

Youth Salute participants challenged to give their best in life

by Jenny Sutor
Editor-in-Chief

"One of your greatest powers is your power to choose," Carole Harder said to the 150 Youth Salute participants that attended The Winner's Seminar September 7 and 8. Eleven students from the 20 chosen from LOHS attended the seminar with keynote speaker Carole Harder, National Council on Youth Leadership president.

Harder spoke on topics from self-motivation to meeting new people. She was very honest and open with the students. "I am responsible for giving you my best and promise to do that. But I am not responsible for what you get of what you will do with it. You are." She gave her best and motivated the students to being the best they can be. "Motivation - The will to want to win; the will to prepare; and the will to dream." Harder taught Youth Salute participants three



Joel Kaunisto, Shannan Sams, and Susan Bongiolatti participate in a leadership exercise. Photo by JS

principles to live by if they want to become leaders. They are: 1. get to know who you are, what you believe in, and what you value; 2. always give your very best; and 3. treat other people as you would like to be treated."

Amid the games, conversations, and lectures, Youth Salute participants gained valuable information on becoming leaders and succeeding in what they want to do. "Know why you do

what you do; believe what you believe," Harder said. "The power of believing is unbelievable." Harder gave students advice from Corporate America. "Get the best liberal arts education you can, learn how to communicate orally, in writing, and through technology and learn how to get along with other people."

Harder gave students some good advice. "If we would all not talk behind each

other's backs, the world would be a whole lot better." She said that when she asks people, "What do you want from life?", they most often answer 'to be happy'. "You can't smoke it, can't drink it, or you can't eat it, you can only enjoy it," Harder said of the response.

Thursday, September 8, The Winner's Seminar Awards Ceremony was held. Joel Kaunisto and Susan
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Did you really ever believe in a new LOHS?

by MK Garrott
Editorial Editor

McCracken County Schools stand to lose one-fourth of their revenue because of bad economics and decreasing enrollment in the Paducah City School System. Due to former tuition students transferring to private or parochial schools, enrollment has dropped by between 80 and 110 students from 1993 to 1994. Two hundred and twenty-seven

students live in an area that is in the county school district, but is in Paducah's city limits. The city has asked to acquire that land into its own district, forcing those students to attend city schools.

The annexation issue has been rejected by the McCracken County Board of Education and the city has now sent the proposal to Education Commissioner Thomas Boysen. He hopes to have a decision by mid-

October.

"Hopefully, a solution can be found that is palatable to both Boards of Education," said Dale Kirk, Superintendent of McCracken County Schools.

City Schools Superintendent Dr. Vance Ramage said the question is "where the students should go to school. They live in the city, but go to the county [schools]."

If a decision comes back

that either Board disagrees with, then both Superintendents say they will recommend to their respective boards that the finding be appealed to the State Board of Education. If an agreement is still not found and one system appeals again, the issue would then go to the governmental judicial system, where the time and costs to taxpayers could be "astronomical," according to Kirk.



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*On behalf of the student body of LOHS,
We, The Oak K staff, request that the
Friday Song be banned from Afternoon
Announcements.*

Scholars of LOHS attend State

by Sandra Marshall
Business Manager/Beat
Co-Editor

Several Lone Oak students participated in Girls and Boys State this summer. Those who attended Girls State were Dana Swann, Amber Walker and Shannan Sams; Boys State participants were Joel Kaunisto, Josh Miller, James Perry and Drew Rudd.

The general purpose of the program is to teach today's youth the processes by which bills are proposed and made

into laws. Shannan and Josh both agreed that they learned a great deal about how the government works, but they also agreed that the experience left much to be desired.

The only really positive quote Josh was able to give was, "It's very important that everyone should go to Boys State so that we can more fully appreciate life in Paducah; but as a learning experience," he added, "it was probably pretty

beneficial."

Shannan told of pseudo-political parties who debated bills such as legalizing prostitution and marijuana, the standard vs. weighted grading scale, driver's education, trying juveniles as adults and environmental issues. She reflected of her experience, "Despite the good intentions and potential of the program, it was the most unorganized, pointless week any of us had ever spent."

*"Never be
ashamed of
another's ability
to enlighten
your life with
their presence."*

*—Ashley
Dillworth*

Governor Scholar Program "unforgettable experience"

by MK Garrett
Editorial Editor

Construction of a laser, cave exploration, metal sculpting and belly dancing were all activities that Governor's Scholars Susan Bongiolatti and Shannon Sams participated in at Northern Kentucky University and Laura Jarboe participated in at Centre College this summer.

Jarboe, a senior, spent five weeks, June 26 - July 30, in Danville, KY, "majoring" in physical sciences and "minoring" in philosophy. Her days were spent going to classes and the movies and visiting with new friends. Learning about being away from home was also a big lesson.

"It was hard to leave home and go somewhere where I didn't know anyone. However, I made some wonderful friends and did a lot of new stuff. I got a taste of what college will be like," said Jarboe.

Bongiolatti and Sams, seniors who were at NKU in Covington, KY, from June

19-July 23, listened to speakers such as an astronaut from the Hubble mission and a Nobel Prize Laureate. Activities were varied.

"Showcase (a talent show every weekend), Habitat for Humanity, observing field trips with my astronomy class, Museum Day in Cincinnati and ballroom dancing were special events I participated in," said Sams.

All three felt the experience was worthwhile. Bongiolatti said, "GSP is an unforgettable experience. I would definitely recommend it."



Laura Jarboe, senior



Shannon Sams And Susan Bongiolatti

Photo by A.D.

GSA provides place for arts to be created

by Shawna Williams
Circulation Manager

A student's artistic abilities struggle with only general education in the arts and structured teaching. There is a place for the dreamers though: Governor's School for the Arts. If students have interests in visual arts, creative writing, drama, vocal or instrumental music or dance, then this is a valuable asset for future education. The only problem being that not many people are aware of this program. Most

schools just throw away the notices for it. GSA teaches valuable lessons to polish arts, a chance to work with and experience other arts, meet new people and provides an advantage for college.

Students compete in two auditions which are regionals and finals with thousands of other sophomores and juniors. Less than half will make it to finals. At Governor's School each student works specifically on his/her craft. The teachers, some of the best, are carefully chosen for their own artistic

abilities and prestige in their field. All of the teachers are intelligent, interesting, knowledgeable in what they teach and they have the utmost respect for their pupils.

Each day there is an IDEA class which gives students the chance to interact with different classes. Plus, there are symphonies, dances, galleries, movies, poetry readings and coffee houses, to name a few of the things that GSA participants can attend.

This program gives teenagers a chance to meet others like

themselves who share the same interests and initiatives. GSA creates an artist's community atmosphere to make each person feel more at home and to start friendships that will last forever.

As for the college aspect, a lecturer this summer said he had just been at a teacher's convention where college professors who had had Governor's School students, "wanted a LOT more." GSA students are in high demand because of their talent, hard work, responsibility, and determination. A few months

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Underclassmen take note: a lesson in etiquette

by Molly Harper
Opinion Editor

I'm sure everyone is familiar with this scenario. A Neanderthal hustles past you, slams your body against a locker, and makes his pencil part of your anatomy. I'm not picking on freshmen, but there are certain common sense rules you need to follow when attending Lone Oak High School - and "Don't push upper classmen around" is one of them. So to help those of us who are "confused", I have composed a list of simple Do's and Don'ts to follow as we race to class.

1. DON'T wield your pencil like a weapon. Making shish-kabobs out of your classmates is not only rude, but hospitalization due to lead poisoning can lead to a lot of make-up homework.

2. DO attempt to be pleasant and smile. People relax when they think you're not going to cause facial damage. Besides, you can catch them off guard

later in the parking lot.

3. DON'T congregate in huge masses in front of other people's lockers. Garth Brooks is not hanging out in my locker, so put away your waving lighters and get to class.

4. DO put your purses behind your bodies (obviously this pertains to the girls) this streamlines your body, making it easier to get down the hallway. Also, guys will appreciate not having leather projectiles aimed at their midsections when you turn corners.

5. DON'T stop to watch fights. I'm just taking a wild guess here, but the person with the inability to bob and weave right will probably lose.

All I'm saying is that it doesn't take a lot of time to open a door or stop to avoid crashing into someone. Maybe if we were all just a little more considerate, getting to class wouldn't be such a hassle.

one of my freinds put it, "We deserve it!" Many of us had a rough year during 1993-1994 and have had enough serious, hard times. We are ready to relax, sit back and "suffer" through Senioritis.

With the many new features at LOHS this year, this should be a year to remember. Already, flex time is making memories for many. For some, it is a time to sit around and talk. Others, a chance to do the homework that got outvoted when Fresh Prince came on last night. Flex time is providing time for fights, too. As of today, three violent episodes have broken out, giving free entertainment to all around. Some believe this flex time will be and should be done away

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Around Town

by MK Garrott
Editorial Editor

Welcome to the second year edition of my column, "Around Town." This is the monthly space in which I write, and you read, my views and reviews on various subjects, ideas and thoughts. My opinion may offend some of you or your beliefs and if so, I encourage you to write a letter to the editor. On the other hand, I would love to hear from you if you agree with me. We like reader feedback The Oak K.

This year is my senior and it will be great, because as

with. Others find it a brilliant use of time.

The block scheduling is a new and innovative idea that seems like a long time to sit anywhere. Teachers call out the day before that Wednesday, "Bring something to do!" I think when it comes time to get in those extra minutes to finish a long assignment, though, students will be grateful.

For those with "ears in the office" or good eyes in the agenda, we find that dogs will be used to search ours lockers for drugs. This is a great way to crack down, but the idea will have to be carried out carefully, so those in question don't ditch "the goods" on someone else's locker.

Other new things: five

opportunities to leave a class per nine weeks, teacher advisors and a PTO. All of these have the potential for being useful productive ideas with the cooperation of the students, parents and faculty. The administrator has obviously worked hard to provide an new atmosphere at LOHS this year, so let's give them a hand.

Whatever you choose to do with your year, remember to live yours years at LOHS to the fullest—they are the best so far. I often end with a quote to sum things up and the number 30 as a journalistic way to end a story; until next time know that, "Whether it's the best of times or the worst of times, it's the only time you've got." -30-

LOHS makes improvements for new year

by Jenny Sultor
Editor-In-Chief

Ahh, the crowding of the halls, the new-but-already-peeling paint on the walls, the creaking floors, and the cracking walls create a congenial and almost perfect environment for starting school. Now that we know that we are not getting a new school, we've learned to deal with it. This school year not only brings back old things, it creates some new activities

and ideas that try to fool us into thinking that we have a new school.

Among the flex-time, block scheduling, and shorter classes, yet longer day, school began with a boom. Fall sports got under way and portfolios darkened the students' spirits. The life-saving agendas were given out, with the thought of no finals enlightening the year.

Yes, the 1994-95 year began with flying colors. The

seniors have senioritis, the freshmen are scared-to-death, the sophomores are glad they're not freshmen, and the juniors are thinking "next year's our senior year!" New teachers joined the staff of great times will be had by all. Remember to make the most of this year and give it your very best. Don't worry about the little things, its the big ones that count. Always be positive and believe in yourself. Only you can make a

success of yourself and only you can make things happen. Like Youth Salute chairman-speaker Carole Harder said, "Your greatest power is your power to choose." Choose to make this year your very best ever. Learning is a challenge and a privilege. Don't jeopardize your education. It's all you have to be a success. Good luck to all of you and remember—HAVE FUN!!!

Danse Macabre fascinates teenagers

by Shawna Renee Williams

"The world's most plentiful ingredient is stupidity."

- Frank Zappa

I'm sure you all know, there have already been several fights at school. It is not the fights that I want to address but rather the people who cheer and get some sick pleasure from watching these barbaric episodes.

Drive by an accident and people crack a rib to see how

much damage has been done. Go past the police station and check to see if prisoners are being led away. Or make a spectator sport out of a cat fight in the gym. This is not a WWF wrestling match, nor is it a Laurel and Hardy show. I know primitive instincts are hard to overcome but we are supposed to be a civilized race. A fight is not something to laugh at or be proud of. This just shows that

people do not have the intelligence and common sense to rationalize something and clear up the misunderstanding. It also proves that we still inhibit prejudice and bigotry passed down from the Dark Ages. And this is supposed to be an event you laugh at, sell tickets for, and order popcorn?

Is making a comic relief out of a clumsy fight a way of coping with one's own fear

and/or biased narrow mindedness? Someone cue me in on the fetish. Please excuse your humble writer, but this really scares me. Is anybody listening?

"War is a way of shattering to pieces, or pouring into the stratosphere, or sinking into the depths of the sea, materials which might otherwise be used to make the masses too comfortable, and

Ashley's Outburst: Life's not as invincible as we believe

by Ashley Dillworth
Chief Photographer

If any of you know me very well, you know that I really don't like school all that much. But to tell you the truth, this summer I really wanted to come back so I could see all my friends. Actually it was just the last couple of weeks of summer vacation left that I began wishing school would hurry up and start. I desperately wanted to come back and be close to my friends again.

You see, on August 16, I received a phone call at 8:30 a.m. from a friend. She was calling to tell me that one of

our close friends, Michael, had been killed in a car wreck. I was devastated. I had known Michael for five years and he had been a wonderful friend to me for each and every one of those years. He was one of the best people I knew and to hear that he was suddenly gone was a shock to my system. He was only 16 and he had only had his license for one week. He was a vibrant, fun-loving, good-natured guy who had his future planned down to a tee.

The reason I share my story with you is this: We have been told over and over again that we are not invin-

cible. We have been told repeatedly that horrifying things can happen to us. But we don't believe it. Even after Heather Krebs' wreck and after Shane Pearson's murder, I still didn't believe that anything could happen to me or my friends. I wasn't friends with either Heather or Shane at the time of their tragedies. It didn't overly affect me. But, I have been thrust into the realm of a teenage tragedy and I do believe it now. And it scares me.

Our school year is just beginning and for some of us, this will be the last year we see a lot of our friends. While

we're here, let's not take our teenage life for granted. Let's believe that something can and will happen to us and let's be the best friend that we can be while we can. I will never forget Michael. I will never forget all the wonderful things we shared together and I will always miss him. But I have realized that my other friends may not always be here and I want to have the best school year possible. So let's have fun, live life to it's fullest and be safe. But most of all, let's believe.

Election process cause for debate

Staff Editorial

One of the most exciting parts of Homecoming is the ceremony itself. Watching the convertibles drive by with the Homecoming Queen candidates and attendants dressed in their brand new attire, and waiting to see who will receive the honor of Homecoming Queen are the most anticipated aspects of the night. In the past, there has been much confusion

over this election. It should be an easy task to elect one candidate from each senior class and to have the football or basketball teams vote, but in the past it has created much confusion. This election process leaves a lot to be desired, and some changes should be considered.

Students should be able to nominate any student-not just one from their English class. Why must it be the football

and basketball teams who determine the outcome? The Homecoming Queen represents the entire school, not just the football or basketball teams.

In the future let's consider permanently changing the process of nomination and election. First, seniors should be allowed to nominate any one they wish. Nominations could be turned in to the library. The top eight

nominees will be the final candidates in the ceremony and the entire school will vote on them.

Homecoming is a special time for the entire school and community. LOHS should be involved in electing its representative and everyone involved should be responsible enough to make sure the election process is conducted properly and fairly.

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January 28 (registration deadline December 22)
April 1 (registration deadline February 24)
May 6 (registration deadline March 31)

LOHS PSAT- October 11 for Juniors and Sophmores.

Scholarships application deadlines-

ROTC- by December
UK- 28 ACT score required- by January 6
Engineering- by January 6
Coca-Cola- by October 3
National Science Scholarship- by October 14
Youth Senate- by October 14



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Flex-Time, To Be Or Not To Be?

by David Carmichael
Opinion Writer

It's 9:25 am. I make my way down the halls, dodging elbows and other debris, finally getting to my locker. I put up the book I've just used, and start to pull out the one I'll be using for third period...but wait!!! I don't need to! It's flex time, now!

What exactly is flex (flexible)time, anyway? Flex time is the area/session each stu-

dent chooses daily for 40 minutes. These areas are listed on information packets each student received at the beginning of the year. They are also listed in your agenda. The good thing is that the teacher can't give you assignments. It is your own time to use! Also, students who had a 2.0 GPA or less on their previous report will be required to go to study hall each day.

Also, during this time, club meetings and other activities such as guests speakers, pictures, etc. will take place. For a schedule of club meetings, look in the information packet.

Many students here at LOHS feel that flex time is "a miracle." One said, "I can't believe we finally can have a some time to ourselves, and can do whatever we want to!" Others said the same, many

commenting that it was about time they did. I, myself know that it helps me catch up on homework, or just have some time to talk to my friends about what's happened lately, instead of having to sum it all up in the few minutes separating classes, or between mouthfuls of spaghetti at lunch-time. Flex time just makes enjoying school a lot easier when you can have a break!

Man From Outer Space Speaks of Dreams

by Ashley Dillworth
Chief Photographer

"If I asked how many people in here has a dream, I would hope all of you would raise your hands." That was the theme of Colonel Mike Mullane's speech to the students involved in science, social studies and math classes on September 13, 1994. Mullane works for NASA as a Missions Specialist Astronaut.

Mullane, a West Point graduate and an aeronautical engineer, was hired in 1977 when NASA began selecting astronauts to go up for the first time as something other than the pilot. He was selected in the very first group.

Mullane became interested

in rocketry at a very early age. He built and experimented with his own rockets. His dream was to be a pilot in the military. After joining the military, he took a physical examination which he failed. He was told because he had to wear glasses, he could never be a pilot. He was a co-pilot, though. He went to school afterwards for aeronautical engineering. The next step in his life led him to a space shuttle.

Mullane used this story as an example that if students do their very best in school, anything is possible. "Don't even for one moment think of dropping out of school," said Mullane.



Colonel Mike Mullane talks to students about making dreams come true and of going into space. Photo by Ashley Dillworth

LOHS Band Schedule

by Sarah Wallis
Advertising Manager

The Lone Oak Band's fall contest ratings are as follows: September 10 was the Lone Oak Invitational in which we received a 79, which is an "excellent" rating.

September 17 was the Marshall County Contest, we received an 81, which is a "superior" rating.

September 24 was the Caldwell County Contest, we received another "superior" rating with an 85.

The remainder of the fall schedule is:

October 1-Reidland Contest

October 8-Murray Contest

October 22-Heath Contest

October 29-State Marching Contest(Richmond,KY.)

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Jessie Moore

Amber Nanney

Stephanie Pittman

Jennifer Renfroe

Shannon Sams

Kristen Seabaugh

Whitney Nall

Lynn Jalkh

Kristie Garrett



Jill Claiborne, Homecoming Queen, crowned by Tiffany Clark



Queen Candidates Kristen Seabaugh, Angela Brannon, Jennifer Renfroe, Tauzzia Meriwether, Jill Claiborne, Amber Nanney, Jessie Moore, Stephanie Pittman, Shannon Sams



Ashley Accord, Misty Anderson, Star Ballowe, Amy Bowling



Kyle Sanderson dodges the lunging Falcon at Homecoming.



Juniors and Freshmen pull with all their might to bring home the title of the tug-of-war.

Great school spirit LOHS!



Ashley Accord runs in the opposite direction from Noah Jacques at the pep rally during the three-legged race.



Classes battle in the dance-off at the pep rally.



Senior candidates and attendants Lynn Jaulk, Whitney Nall and Kristie Garrett



Sarah Wallis, Shane Turner and Keith Deaton portray their lip-syncing talent.

Lone Oak alumnus hired as basketball coach

by Shannon Hart
Sports Co-Editor

When varsity boys basketball coach Roy McKamey announced his resignation at the end of the 1993-94 season, Lone Oak began shopping for someone new to take over. They found who they were looking for in alumnus Steve Dreher, who previously coached at Paducah Tilghman.

"I have lived and taught my entire adult life within 30 miles of Lone Oak High School. . . This area is home to me," Dreher said. "It's

really gratifying to get to come back."

"He has the reputation of a total school person and that's what we were looking for," Principal Wallace Adams said.

One of Dreher's plans for the Flash basketball team include reaching the state tournament. "I think the state tournament is a realistic goal. It's one thing that has escaped the Lone Oak community," Dreher said in order to prepare for tournament competition, he wants to toughen up the schedule. "That's the

key to post-season success."

On his decision to leave Tilghman, Dreher said, "It's been pretty much a gut-wrenching time for a long while. . . I appreciate all the support and opportunities there, but it's not too often you get the opportunity to come home."

Dreher has 14 years of coaching experience. In addition to his six seasons at Tilghman, he spent four years each at Graves County and Carlisle.

Another reason Dreher wanted the Lone Oak job was

the attitude of the community, which he feels is excellent. "Community involvement is important to any program and the Lone Oak area certainly has a willing attitude to get involved," he said.

Dreher will have to face the usual high expectations of Lone Oak basketball, which has had very successful teams the past few years. But Dreher said he is more than willing to take the challenge. "I'll try to sculpt this team into the direction that is best."

Boys soccer team hopes for improvement

by Joel Kaunisto
Sports Co-Editor

With a record of 2-5, boys head soccer coach Gregg Vickrey said this season is going "not nearly as good as it should be or was expected."

This year's team has nine returning starters from last year's squad which went 7-11-1.

Vickrey feels that the team needs work on the mental aspect of the game by believing that they can beat teams they have never beaten before and believing in themselves against those teams.

This year's team is led on offense by seniors Tony Englert and David Ellegood,

who will both provide much of the team's scoring this year. Josh Miller will be the link between the defense and the midfield and should also provide some offense. Vickrey also commented that the team is young on defense and will have to prove themselves.

Said Vickrey, "From camp at Western (Kentucky University) all through practice, talent-wise, I've felt that this year we have more ability than Lone Oak has ever had before."

This year's team has dedicated the entire season to former teammate Shane Pearson.



Josh Miller races toward the goal in a game against Calloway County.

Girls soccer team off to best start ever

by Joel Kaunisto
Sports Co-Editor

In its third year of existence, the Lone Oak girls soccer team's season is "already the most successful season in

Lone Oak girls soccer. They are playing at a much higher level," according to head coach Tony McGroarty.

There are 18 returning players from last year's team

which went 1-11-2. New to the team are coaches Steve Angelly and Rick Fort.

Angelly says that the season has gone "great, everybody is having fun and that's

the important thing."

So far, the team is 2-4-1 with impressive wins over Heath and Tilghman and a tie with St. Mary.

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Athletes of the Month

Soccer

by Joel Kaunisto
Sports Co-Editor

In only eight games this season, senior Tony Englert has already scored 15 goals, which is why he has been chosen as a September Athlete of the Month.

Head coach Gregg Vickrey said his strong points are his speed and his ability to score.

Said Vickrey, "I don't think we've seen the best game from him or the rest of the team but I'm looking forward to that night."

Vickrey commented that Englert has developed "fairly well. He needs to improve his defense to help his offensive skills."

The past two years Englert has been named to the All-District Team. He also plays basketball and baseball for LOHS.

Vickrey added, "If he'd work hard on coming back on defense, it will increase his chances to score."

"I don't know about his chances of breaking Brian Mudd's records. He was two goals away from breaking the single-game mark with four against Calloway."

by Joel Kaunisto
Sports Co-Editor

As a three-year starter for the girls soccer team, senior Maggie Largent is a soccer Athlete of the Month.

Largent has played on defense for the past two years but this year she has also been playing midfield.

Coach Steve Angelly said of her new position, "She's not a big scoring threat, but she will be."

Angelly said her best attributes are her leadership, maturity and her positive attitude with the other team members.

Angelly added that Largent is a good team player, she always comes prepared to play and she plays and practices very hard.

Said Largent of the season so far, "I feel that this season has gone better than last year but there is still a lot of room for improvement."

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Golf

by Andy Harris
Sports Writer

In her fourth year playing varsity golf, junior Rae Ann Ragland has solidified herself as one of the top players in the region. This is just one reason why she has been named golf Athlete of the Month for September.

"I first joined the golf team because I liked playing golf. I knew it would be a new experience and it was," said Ragland.

Ragland states, "We just, this year, have enough girls for a team." Although she feels that the girl's golf team may not be the best in the region, she does predict, "If the younger girls' scores improve, we will be pretty good."

Last year, Ragland played in the Girls State Tournament for golf, and making a return trip this year is one of her goals.

Besides golf, Ragland enjoys basketball and swimming. Russ Cochran is one golfer whom Ragland admires, because, as she says, "He has the disposition of a golfer that I would like to have."

by Andy Harris
Sports Writer

Senior Mark Moore leads the boys golf team in scoring, and he is one of the main reasons the team finished with an impressive 18-6 record this year. That is why Coach David Pope named him golf Athlete of the Month for September.

"Mark has worked hard to improve his golf game," said Coach Pope. "He played in a lot of tournaments this summer. Mark wants to play golf in college so he realizes to do so he must work hard to attract the attention of college coaches."

This is the fourth consecutive year that Moore has played in the number one position for the golf team. His average has decreased every year from around a 46 when he was a freshman, to about a 39 this year.

Football

by David Carmichael
Opinion Writer

"Michael McWaters, a linebacker for the Purple Flashes zooms towards Heath's quarterback!!! Ouch! That had to hurt; ladies and gentlemen!!! Boy has that guy got some strength!!!"

"McWaters is one of our best football players, especially toward the defensive side of things," according to Coach Grimes, head coach of the Flashes. That is why Coach Grimes named him Football Athlete of the Month for September.

McWaters, a linebacker for the Flashes, has made 32 tackles already this season. "He's stepped up to become our leader on defense this year," says Grimes. "He's really a spectacular tackler on the field." McWaters' best game was against Crittenden County, which took place on September 2. At this game, he contributed in 18 tackles. Unfortunately, McWaters was injured against Heath, and has not been able to play for quite some time. Hopefully, he'll be able to get back in the swing of things soon.

Lone Oak Purple Flash Football Hits

August 26

Lone Oak 20, Ballard 14

Lone Oak got its football season off to a winning start with a 20-14 win over Ballard. Lone Oak was behind 14-12 in the fourth quarter, but put the ball in the end zone. With 14 seconds left, junior Alan Harwick scored a touchdown to give Lone Oak an 18-14 lead. Junior Craig Peeler added a two-point conversion.

Head coach Randy Grimes said the win showed "our hard work has paid off. It's not just that we won, but how we won." He added that winning the season opener would give his young team even more confidence.

Lone Oak has only seven seniors and eleven juniors, while the number of freshmen and sophomores add up to almost twice the total of upperclassmen. On his young players, Grimes said, "Some performed the way I thought, and some performed better. But I was most pleased with the leadership of the seniors that were out there."

Senior Scott Slankard and sophomore Jason Moore also scored touchdowns for Lone Oak.

September 9

Heath 28, Lone Oak 21

Lone Oak suffered another close defeat at the hands of the Pirates. Heath scored a touchdown in each quarter, helping them resist a 13-point comeback by the Flash in the fourth.

Heath was ahead 21-8 heading into the last 12 minutes of the game. The Flash cut it to 21-14 early in the fourth on a Slankard touchdown. Sophomore quarterback Kyle Sanderson also scored a touchdown with under three minutes left in the game, with Harwick making the kick.

"We don't quit," said Grimes. "We've shown all year we don't quit, which is a good sign for a team so young."

Earlier, Harwick scored on a touchdown, and Peeler added a two-point conversion, which brought the Flash within six points.

Grimes was pleased with his team's comeback, and said, "We should be 3-0 right now."

September 2

Crittenden 14, Lone Oak 13

Lone Oak led throughout the game until 6:22 in the fourth quarter, when Crittenden tied the score with a touchdown and then gained the lead with a two-point conversion. The Flash had a chance to win, but Crittenden's Nathan Boone intercepted a pass as time expired.

"There was more positive than negative," said Grimes. "We won the battle but lost the war. . . We beat them in every way but on the scoreboard."

Lone Oak's young team played hard, according to Grimes. The Flash created four turnovers and outgained Crittenden in total offense by 100 yards. They held the Rockets scoreless until the fourth quarter, when they scored all of their 14 points.

Slankard scored a touchdown in the first quarter, with junior Alan Harwick making the extra point. Moore also scored a touchdown.

"We made young mistakes," Grimes said, pointing out the fumbles made in the last quarter. "But we don't want to put the game behind us. We want to build on it."

September 16

Calloway 46, Lone Oak 6

The Lakers' Sam Arnett hit 14 of 18 passes for 308 yards and three scores as Calloway beat Lone Oak 46-6.

Calloway scored 33 points by halftime and added 13 points in the third quarter. They were held scoreless in the fourth.

Sanderson scored a touchdown for Lone Oak on a three-yard run with two minutes left in the game.

September 23 -- HOMECOMING

Ft. Cambell 28, Lone Oak 0

Ft. Campbell produced 357 total offensive yards compared to 106 by Lone Oak in beating the Flash 28-0.

In the first district game for both teams, the Falcons gained seven yards per carry and scored 21 of their points in the second half.

Junior Marshall Van Hook gained 72 yards on ten carries, and Moore 29 yards on 12 attempts to lead the offense for the Flash.

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Winning isn't everything -- money is

by Andy Harris
Sports Writer

For the first time since 1904 there will be no World Series. A players strike opposing a (much needed) salary cap has wiped out one of the best seasons in recent years. The players claim to be striking for the players of the future, while the owners insist on a salary cap for the future of baseball. Now both sides are losing money in order to get more money, and when it's all said and done, nothing will have been accomplished.

At least there is football, which for now is the national pastime. But greed is also

prevalent in the NFL. Many players are upset by the sal-

In a world where money is the driving force, this is even more true in the world of sports. . . Owners and players should treat their respective sports as games, not businesses.

ary cap that was imposed this season. There have also been many cases of players (like Emmitt Smith) not honoring their contracts by sitting out games to get more money.

Then there is the NBA. Players have gone to court questioning the legality of the draft and salary cap. Like most players, they feel it is unfair to have a limit to their salaries.

Even the National Hockey League is having its share of problems. The owners are threatening to lockout the players unless a new collective bargaining agreement (which includes a salary cap) is signed.

In a world where money is the driving force, this is even more true in the world of sports. Fans have to pay ri-

diculous prices to see players who are ridiculously payed. However, the players aren't the only greedy ones. A salary cap wouldn't be necessary in baseball if the owners making money were willing to share their profits with other owners who are losing money. Owners and players should treat their respective sports as games, not businesses. If you are like me try tuning into college sports, where students play for the love of the game. That is, unless they leave school early to cash in on the riches that the pros have to offer.

Shannon Speaks: Dent overcoming all obstacles to achieve

by Shannon Hart
Sports Co-Editor

The string of bad luck was finally over. Former UK player Rodney Dent, who had been overcoming obstacle after obstacle his entire life, was close to living his dream. He was selected in the second round of the NBA Draft by the Orlando Magic.

"Moon," as his UK teammates called him, was the 31st selection overall, despite playing only 10 games his senior season due to an injury. He was picked ahead of several talented players who had been healthy their last year of college ball.

But Lady Luck was still not on Moon's side. In July, he suffered a stress fracture in his left foot, forcing him to miss the week-long camp for NBA rookies and free agents. The Magic reported that Dent's foot would be in a cast for six weeks.

It wasn't the first time Dent had been dealt a bad hand. On January 4, in a game against Vanderbilt, he collapsed to the

court, clutching his knee in agony. At halftime everyone found out that it wasn't just a cramp or a sprain—Dent was yet another victim of the ominous torn anterior cruciate ligament. His senior season was over.

The hard times began long before Dent's season-ending injury. At the age of 15, his father died from stomach cancer. The following year his older brother Willie died in a house fire at his sister's. Then, in 1988, his sister Shirley died in a bizarre car accident. The truck she had been riding in had skidded off the road and landed in a flooded irrigation ditch, resting in an upside-down position. Shirley and her two friends couldn't get the doors open. All three drowned.

The next spring Dent went to Odessa Junior College. He played two years of basketball and signed with Auburn. But he fell two classes short of finishing his associate's degree, nullifying his letter-of-

intent. The two classes he needed, an American history course and a science course, weren't offered at Odessa, so he enrolled at Howard College for the 1991 fall semester.

Barely two months after Dent's enrollment, his mother died in another house fire—this time in Dent's house.

"I almost lost it," Dent said in an interview with *The Courier-Journal*. "It's like somebody cursed my family."

Dent passed the science class and made an official visit to the UK campus. He needed only the history course to be eligible to attend UK for the spring semester.

Ten days before the final, Dent underwent an emergency appendectomy and spent five days in the hospital. He failed the test that time, and two more times that summer.

In August of 1992, Dent had one week to be able to register at UK. He took a "challenge exam" at Howard and passed. When the news came, Dent turned to Warren Heagy, his

legal guardian, and said, "Finally something good has happened to me."

Dent had a successful junior season at UK. He was the starting center on the 1992-93 Final Four team and was continuing his dominance until the tragedy struck against the Commodores.

Months of rehabilitation later, Dent was looking at a chance to play in the NBA, until the stress fracture.

"I've had more downs than ups," Dent said. "Every morning I wake up, I have to keep myself positive."

But don't count Moon out just yet. His two goals in life—a degree and an NBA career—are still in sight. Dent has a wife and a 19-month-old daughter to support. As if that weren't enough inspiration, Dent wants more than anything to please his deceased mother and father, brother and sister. And he won't stop until both his dreams become reality.

Exchange Students Visit LOHS

by Chris Hughes
Artist/Staff Writer

How would you like to go to a high school where there is no band, football homecoming, or prom. That is the way it is in Norway where Hege Haabesland is from. Haabesland is 17 and is finding some interesting things about America and the American school system. "We have different schedules every day, [and] we have compulsory PE every year...." she states. With that type of schedule she calls this school "great."

Haabesland has played the piano for 5-6 years, and sings in a choir. She also likes learning different languages. "It's nice...not to have more than six lessons a day," she said. And American students complain about too much homework.

by Chris Hughes
Artist/Staff Writer

She doesn't like the commercials on TV, and she thinks the lunch breaks are short. "She" is Christine Hohenstein, one of LOHS's foreign exchange students.

Hohenstein enjoys learning languages- she's fluent in French, Spanish, and English. She enjoys school and comments that, "One difference in German schools from American Schools is that in Germany, students stay in one classroom and the teachers move from room to room. That certainly cuts down on crowding in the halls!"

Her experience in America so far has been quite enjoyable. She says, "Americans are more open and friendly." And Hohenstein also concluded, "I'm glad to be here."



Haabesland (left) and Hohenstein are (right) two of LOHS' new foreign exchange students this year.

Student Spotlight

by Molly Harper
Opinion Editor

This summer while most of us were vegetating in front of the T.V. or flipping burgers, Kenya Atherton managed to work AND have a great time. She was a Teen Counselor at the McCracken County 4-H Camp. If you don't think staying in a cabin with eighteen pre-teenage girls who don't like to shower is work, YOU should try it sometime! A week after that, she a Teen Volunteer at P.U.N.C.H. camp. For those of you who don't know, P.U.N.C.H. camp is a weekend camp for kids with special needs and their families. She says it was,

"Rewarding, because I volunteered to do something for someone else."

While at school, Kenya is a member of the Biology Club and has been her class treasurer for two years. She throws shot-put and discus for the track team and is a member of the track.

Kenya wants to join the Marines after high school. Afterwards, she wants to go to college majoring in either political science or military science.

In her spare time, Kenya enjoys working for local campaigns for candidates such as Tom Barlow. Next summer, she hopes to work as a page in either his

Junior Rotarian

by Sarah Wallis
Advertising Manager

The month of September titles Kristen Seabaugh with the honor of Jr. Rotarian. Responding to being selected as Jr. Rotarian, Seabaugh said, "I felt very honored."

Seabaugh has received many awards during the course of her high school career. These awards include Youth Salute participant, All-American Scholar award, United States Business Education award, Outstanding Student, Honor Student, Football Homecoming Attendant (freshman year), Basketball Homecoming Attendant (sophomore year) and Football Homecoming Queen Candidate (senior year).

Seabaugh participates in cheerleading, dance and gymnastics. Her hard work and dedication to these activities is shown by the many awards and honors she has received. These include



Kristen Seabaugh, senior receiving the 110% cheerleading award, and All-Star Cheerleader at camp this summer. She plans to travel to London in December with Universal Cheerleaders Association.

In what little spare time Seabaugh has, she works part-time at Mam'selle, she likes spending time with her friends and she is president of Phi Alpha Delta sorority which takes a lot of planning and organizing.

She plans to attend the University of Kentucky and major in accounting.

New Faces of the LOHS Faculty

by Jenny Sultor
Editor-in-Chief

An always smiling, energetic teacher has joined the business department this year. Mrs. Glenda Wyatt has joined the LOHS staff and has brought her never-ending smile and positive attitude with her. She teaches business law, Introduction to Business, Introduction to Computers and typing. Wyatt is also a sponsor of FBLA.

"I always wanted to be a part of a faculty that always strived for excellence. I did my student teaching here at LOHS ten years

ago, and I was very impressed by the quality of education that was offered," Wyatt said. Wyatt likes "the friendly and professional atmosphere of the faculty, staff and students at LOHS."

"One of my main goals is to see students learn more and develop to their fullest potential. My advice to my students is always to strive to do your best and then the best will come to you." Wyatt said she hopes her students see "that I am a person who always gives 110%. Also, I feel that I am a person they can



Wyatt applying her talent

Photo by A.D.



Korte listening to student viewpoints

Photo by A.D.

by Jenny Sultor
Editor-in-Chief

Very active in community service, the Lone Oak Tennis Association, the Foster Care Review Board and as a special advocate for abused and neglected children, it's hard to believe Anita Williams has time to teach. She has been hired to substitute indefinitely for Mrs. Marlene Wallace. Williams teaches retailing, marketing, Advanced Marketing and Introduction to Computers and is the co-op coordinator.

Williams has substituted for the past five years. "I am really enjoying my students at LOHS and the challenge of teaching a new subject area. The students at Lone Oak are friendly, and the teachers and office staff have been so patient. Of course, I have a special interest in Lone Oak since my son is a junior here," Williams said.

For the last six and a half years, she has been involved in helping foster children. Some children are still close to her and call her their "fairy godmother." They spend holidays together and do fun things such as going to the movies and playing in the park.

Williams' most memorable high school experience was when she and some friends decided to take a "sneak day" and spent the day at the lake. Stated Williams, "When we returned to school the next day, we got three more days of vacation because we were expelled!"

Some advice Mrs. Williams gives for all students, "Do not try to hold down a job while going to school. Take advantage of every extracurricular activity and study and enjoy your school days. You will be working the rest of your life - have fun now."

Ashley Dillworth
Chief Photographer

The mathematics department has a new member- Mrs. Martha Korte. Korte previously taught in the Paducah City school system for 25 years. She graduated from LOHS and went to PCC. She majored in math and english at Murray.

When Korte was a teenager, she worked as a checker and baby-sitter. "My most helpful job was taking over the household chores over

summer for my mother while she taught summer school."

Mrs. Korte does not remember any of her high school teachers doing anything to inhibit her career. "Hopefully I will help each student to discover how mathematics can help them function better in the real world." Her experience in high school has helped her be a strict but fair teacher.

Korte's spare time is spent with her family and friends. "I love to shop, play tennis, and now support LOHS."



Tim Massa relaxes on a sunny day

Photo by C.H.

The Oak K welcomes
new faculty to LOHS

New teachers come to LOHS

by Sarah Wallis
Advertising Manager

Lone oak has one of its very own graduates of the class of 1989, now a part of the faculty. Mr. Tim Massa a former standout football and baseball player for the Flash, now coaches the freshman football and is a general teacher's aide.

He played baseball at P.C.C and Lambuth University where he majored in biology and minored in education. Anyone who has played Khory League will remember him keeping the grounds at the ballpark.

Massa's favorite teacher while in school was Coach McGroarty. Massa says, "I was never a good student until 'Coach' showed me I was good in science, after that

by Jason Phelps
News Editor

Mrs. Heine has substituted at LOHS for three years in almost every department, but this year, she has been hired as a full time teacher's aide. As Mr. Cobb's assistant in special education, she works with students as well as as-

most of my other grades began to rise too. He also showed me that by becoming a teacher, I could have the same effect on kids today and help kids make themselves better students, better people and winners in all they do in high school and in life."

Massa says what little free time he has is spent with his wife and dog, Dallas, riding mountain bikes with Hunter Housman, Josh Hicks, Zach Wilkins and Vince Carter, and of course on the football field coaching the freshman team.

Mr. Massa is hoping for a lot of support from Lone Oak at the freshman games. He says, "We've got some hitters and some guys with speed and a lot of heart and desire to win."

sisting the teacher. "I like my job alot, and I also love the fact that I'm at the same school that I attended and that my children attended." Heine has a degree from Murray State University and is certified in elementary education. ♦

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after the program, College Day is held. Colleges from all over the United States send scouts out to audition the students and help them apply for scholarships.

To get into Governor's School you need talent, to be a sophomore or junior, and to have the desire to achieve something greater. The hours are incorrigible, the food... well, it can be called food, sleep is nearly an impossibility, and it is a large strain on one's capabilities; but it is definitely worth it. For a few short weeks the students have a hold of something big; a something that promises to be beneficial for their remaining days.

Girls soccer con't. p10

Angelly feels the strengths of the team to be their desire to excel and enjoying the sport and their mental attitudes. He also feels the weaknesses are the offense and the

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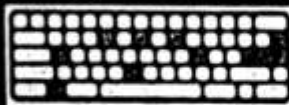
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Bongiollatti were among the top ten finalists. They each had to write an essay and go in for an interview to compete for scholarships. Bongiollatti received third runner-up and a \$200 scholarship. Harder spoke at the awards ceremony for the parents and said, "NCYL recognizes seniors for doing things right."

The Winner's Seminar was full of fun, laughs and meeting people. Participants learned new ideas and things about themselves and others. Harder made a powerful impact on them. Her greatest advice to the seniors was to give yourself and your ideas, don't take anything away. She said, "If we teach you how to take, we've become failures; if we teach you how to give, then we've succeeded."

ball control.

This season, Angelly expects the seniors to be key players since they are the most experienced and also to be leaders on and off the field.



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