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National Honor Society Spring Induction



Larry Boatman, Michael Braden, Sharon Brown, Sylvester Butler, Vicki Frazier, Teresa Howe, Vicki Matthews, Rita Ragle, Beverly Randolph, Geraldine Smith, David Williams, Theresa Williams, and Joey Webster were all inducted into the National Honor Society on March 29, 1972.

Mrs. McHaffie opened the program by welcoming the parents and students. Then the Tech High Band played the "Star Spangled Banner" and Ted Jeans introduced the Semester Honors winners. They are: First Honors — Ken Briscoe, James Franklin, and Laurie Swearingen. Second Honors — Robert Blankley, Ted Jeans, Straughter Morris, Clarence Phillips, Karen Crawford, Cathy Goggins, Mary Lou Kirk, Alberta Bell, Jo Ann Bell, Deborah Blissard, Betty Drew, Dale Morgan, Ora Burkes, Cathy Cox, Susan Rogers, Deborah Belcher, Janice Camburn, Willa Davis, Cathy Free, Tom McMullin, Anita Fevurly, Gaile Pope, Brenda Carpenter, Sharon Brown, Teresa Howe, Rita Ragle, David Briscoe, Eddie Torres, Anita Faulkner, and Frances Montgomery.

Then came the lighting of the four candles and a short talk on what they stand for. The first candle, Character; Janice Camburn, Service; Ora Burkes, Leadership; Betty Drew, Scholarship; Ted Jeans. The new members were tapped while the Band played a few selections. After the new members marched up on stage, Mrs. McHaffie led the pledge. The program was then ended with congratulations by Mrs. McHaffie. A short tea was held in the Home Economics Living room by Mrs. Lee's home economics class for the Honor Society and band members.

The old members of the Honor Society are Ted Jeans (President), Betty Drew, Ora Burkes, Ken Briscoe, Janice Camburn, Barbara Ashmore, and Nancy Chu. The sponsors are Mrs. McHaffie and Mrs. Walls.

Error Correction

Due to an oversight two names were left out of the Hall of Fame in the paper's last issue. They were Marsha Hendrix and Steve King for the Friendliest. Congratulations also to these two winners.

won second place in Printing Calculation, Ora Burkes won second place in Student of the Year, and Susan Rodgers won second in Club Yearbook.

All the first and second place winners will go to Nashville on April 6 for the state Competitive Activities.

4th Six Weeks— 2nd Semester Honor Roll

HIGH HONORS

Briscoe, Kenneth	12-01
Jeans, Ted	12-03
Blissard, Deborah	12-07
Cox, Kathy	12-08
Harrison, Catherine	12-09
Swearingen, Laurel	10-13

SECOND HONORS

SENIORS

12-01—Blankley, Robert
12-02—Franklin, James
12-03—Williams, Yayne
12-04—Phillips, Clarence
12-05—Perry, Raymond
12-06—Crawford, Karen; Freeman, Cathy; Goggins, Kathy
12-07—Bell, Alberta; Bell, Jo Ann; Morgan, Dale
12-08—Burks, Ora; Johnson, Carolyn; Wright, Helen
12-09—Free, Cathy

JUNIORS

11-05—Church, Glenn
11-07—Hatch, Judy; Herron, Beatrice; Pope, Gaile
11-08—Carpenter, Brenda; Edwards, Kathy
11-09—Brown, Sharon

SOPHOMORES

10-04—Trautman, Dean Walter
10-08—Poole, Vickie
10-08—Deason, Jannis
10-14—Montgomery, Frances

SOUTHWEST TENN. VICA REGIONAL CONTESTS

On March 22, 1972, the VICA regional contests were held at the Memphis Area Vocational Technical School at 620 Mosby. Out of quite a few contestants, Tech came up with three 1st place winners and one 3rd place winner. They were: 1st place Commercial Art—Faith Ray, 1st place Prepared Speech — Clarence Phillips, 1st place Machine Shop — Steve McKnight, and 3rd place winner Job Interview Techniques — Theresa Howe. Our three first place winners will go to the State Contests on April 18, 1972 in Nashville. Good Luck contestants.

Tech's TOEC Club Repeats It's Club of the Year

Contestants, Betty Drew, Jo Nell Barkley, Susie Rosebrough, Connie Curry, Pat Moore, Cathy Free, Dale Morgan, Ora Burkes, Sara Thompson, Susan Rogers, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Rule attended the TOEC Divisional Competition Activities at Memphis Area Vocational School. They brought back Tech awards for six of the ten entered competitions.

Betty Drew was entered in Recording Minutes contest which she won first place. Jo Nell Barkley won first place in the Club of the Year contest. That was all the first place winners. These girls were the best in their special fields.

Susie Rosebrough won second place in Oral Presentation. Sara Thompson

Senior Plans

(Continued From Previous Issue)

- Paulette May: Beautician
- Carolyn Johnson: Vocational School
- Willie Crisp: Work
- Ora Burkes: College or Work
- Virginia Brady: Business School
- Barbara Craigo: Travel and University
- Mary Lou Kirk: Travel and State Tech
- Gene Sikes: Engineer
- Jerry Upshaw: Construction worker
- Melvin Larry: Fashion Designer
- James R. Franklin: Social Worker
- Kenneth Gomillia: College
- Eddie Wright: College or Service
- Kevin Long: College
- James R. Buford: DE Teacher
- Richard Wayne Driver: Bailey Tech. Col.
- Grag Shinal: Don't know
- Steve Harris: Personal
- Terry Taylor: Jackson Junior College
- Alfred Gaston: Religious Work
- Henry Presley: Machinist
- Robert Hollingsworth: College
- Raymond Douglas: College or Service
- Bobby Mathis: State Tech

Spring Time

What does spring mean to you
 Is it getting rid of old bring in new
 Is it when you see the trees all green
 Or is it when the air is so clean
 Is it when we get a lot of showers
 Or is it when we get bright colored flowers
 Is it when we see birds of all feathers
 Or is it when we get better weather
 Is it when the bear comes out of hibernation
 Or is it when the birds stop migration
 Is it when you put up your coat
 Or is it when you can ride in your boat
 Is it when school approaches its end
 Or is it when you meet a new friend
 Is it when there's a lot of graduations
 Or is it when there's a lot of humiliations
 Is it when there are no more tests
 Or is it when it's time to rest
 Is it when basketball season ends
 Or is it when baseball season begins
 Is it when you see beautiful kites
 Or is it when you see stupid fights
 Is it when you feel a short smooth breeze
 Or is it when you start wearing short sleeves
 My interpretation of spring isn't really true
 The meaning of spring comes only from you.

Larry Boatman

- William Tune: Work or go to school
- Thomas Baine: Air Force
- Tommy Golden: Military Service
- William Spencer Harris: Truck Driver
- Cathy Free: Office Work
- Brenda Lagos: Sales Person
- Bonnie Sanslow: Work of College
- Emma Jean Martin: Navy
- Patricia Charlene Countryman: Beaut.
- Debra Rhodes: Baptist Hospital
- Yvonne Tucker: M.A.T.C.
- Miranda McCraw: College
- Jo Nell Fisher: Mid-South Beauty Scl.
- Diana Grisham: Work
- Cathy Freeman: Undecided
- Brenda Hare: Get married and work
- Deborah Johnson: Work
- Rebecca Ann George: Dental Hygienist
- Connie Curry: State Tech
- Patricia Ann Reynolds: Secretary
- Jerald Jordan: College
- Parasine Ray: Nurse
- Sherrie Elise Burgett: Court Steno.
- Teressa Joseph: St. Joseph's Nurs. Scl.
- Marsha Hendrix: Nurse
- Dorothy Jean Brim: Nurse, X-Ray Tech.
- Kathy Goggins: Married, Beautician
- Pamela Lynn Jones: Married, Beautician
- Karen Crawford: College

Modelrette Club Is Going Strong!

The modelrette club is one of the newest organizations that has been formed on campus. The officers have worked very hard, trying to make each meeting successful. On Thursday, March 16, Mrs. Craig from Sears Modelling School came to see us. Mrs. Craig gave the girls extra points on poise, modelling, on how to walk, sit and many more interesting things. We would like to say thank you Mrs. Craig, we really appreciate your visit. Saturday, March 25, the Modelrettes had a dance at 1893 Kelnter Drive given by Sharon Robinson, and it was a success. The money we raised will be deposited in the bank for further use. The Modelrettes are planning on having a fashion show in April. We know that you will be looking for ward to it. Mrs. Shinault is our sponsor and we would like to thank her for working so hard with us. We would also like to thank our promotor, Marica Taylor, and our Secretary, Cleo Thomas, for keeping each member informed on the happenings. Jackie Bethany and Ann Rush wish to thank everybody for working together. The Modelrettes are Really Going Strong!

Science Club

The Science Club has its organization meeting on February 11 and elected officers. The were suggested by the nominating committee (Billy Griffin, Chairman; Reda White, John Cheatwood, Anita Faulkner, and Jerold Jordan). The officers are President — Ken Briscoe, Vice-President — Vickie Matthews and Joey Webster, Secretary—Pam Venson and Terri Cox, Treasurer—Jean Brim, Sergt. at Arms—Gloria Mullins, Reporter—Robin Lacy, Parliamentarian—Teresa Joseph, Photographer—Joey Webster, Curator — Terri Cox, Librarian—Alma Wood, Director (2 year)—Pat Smile, Director (1 year) — David Thompson, Director (1 year)—Billy Griffin.

Other members are: Jean Brim, Elma Brown, Mary Ann Brown, Denise Craig, Anita Faulkner, Mike Fears, Grady Jones, Jerald Jordon, Teresa Joseph, Timothy Logan, Vickie Matthews, Ramona Penn, Shelia Rosenblum, Michael Thomas, Pam Venson, Reda White, Rhonda Barkley, Christine Flowers, Sharon Newton, Carl Exum, Willie Durham, Randy McFervin, Mary Lou Kirk, Sherry Stevens, and Thomas McMullin. The program committee includes John Cheatwood, Christine Flowers, Randy McFerrin, and Vickie Matthews.

On February 11 members attended a tour of the Baptist Hospital. There were many different categories that students could visit and learn about. A few were Dietary, Cardiac (the heart), Pharmacy, the Blood Bank and many more. We were told about the many things that go on in these fields and they invited us to come again and learn more.

When the different groups were dismissed, the hospital gave the students refreshments and literature to keep.

The club's sponsor, Mrs. Wooldridge attended the tour with the group. It was an enjoyable trip and everyone appreciated the kindness of the Baptist Hospital.

Soldiers In The War

All you soldiers in the war
 Do you know what you're fighting for
 Is it for a steady job and get paid
 Or to prove that you are not afraid
 Is it to make the world a better place
 Or destroy all the human race
 Is it to protect ones nation
 Or to determine ones salvation
 Is it to create a lot of jobs
 Or to create a lot of mobs
 Is it to forget of what one fears
 Or to bring people into tears
 Is it to show freedoms might
 Or to teach youngsters how to fight
 Next time a soldier dies
 Sit down and ask yourself why?
 Larry Boatman

FHA NEWS

Career Day was held at Memphis State Home Economics Department on April 10. Terri Cox and Marilyn Overton attended.

FHA State Convention is to be in Nashville April 21. Girls attending will be Anita Hungerford, Kathy Edwards, Terri Cox and Marilyn Overton.

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World's Fair 1992

The World's Fair of 1992 was to be held in my old hometown of Memphis, so I decided to visit the festivities. Imagine my surprise to see so many old Tech buddies at the Fair!

First I saw Eddie Satchfield and Rick Bruno setting up the complex communications system under the direction of Mr. Rodgers. Yes, they are still Seniors at Tech, trying to graduate. As I parked my electric car, I noticed Charles Scott, Ricky McCarver, and Kim Phillips were the owners of the enormous parking lot. Still car crazy!

The head of the security force was none other than Bill Brasfield, assisted by Billy Moore, with a crewcut and huge nightstick.

They were carefully observing customers of the Cider Palace, run by Debbie Stuckey.

On the sidelines was a huge tent, set up to save the souls of the evil ones. The sign read "The Happy Brothers' Traveling Interdenominational Salvation Show," the brothers turning out to be Clarence Phillips, Bob Blankley, and Ken Briscoe. Dressed in ultra-Maxi skirts so rare in this age of fig leaves were missionaries Barbara Ashmore, Janice Langston, Debbie Blissard and Janice Camburn.

The hot dog concession was run by that enterprising Techite, Bill Naron. Michael Clark had just finished painting a sign for him, but his best art work was at the Exotic Dancers' Revue, where Pat Robinson, Patricia Reynolds, Yvonne Tucker, and Debbie Everett kick up their heels twice a day for whistling audiences. This show has been investigated by Henry Presley, the puritanical head of the Commission on Pornography, but the girls had hired slick lawyer Jackie Stewart to get them out of court. One patron, businessman Terry Sullivan, did have a mild seizure watching the dancers but was revived by Dr. Stephen Mauldin, assisted by his pretty nurse Alma Wood.

On special leave from the armed forces were Generals Steve McKnight, Tim Johnson, and Robert Reed, who flew in especially to see the Fair. Hitchhiking from the West Coast were Candy Kinsella, Neva Clark, and Sheila Neal, who always wanted to see the country. They were fortunate to catch rides with Spencer Harris and David Thompson, truck drivers for Carl (beep! beep!) Carson.

There was a rumor that the U.S. President James Johnson might make a visit to the Fair with members of his cabinet; Secretary of State Paul Long, noted for his cool head and Secretary of the Treasury Jo Ann Bell, who always handled money so well.

Soon the performers on the midway began to arrive. There was acrobat Bill Keith and lion tamers Marsha Hendrix and Steve Opfer. Jim Bratton, in white tie and tails, was urging the crowd to enter a tent to see Nathaniel Anderson, Alberts Bell, and Alfred Gaston perform on the trapeze. Riding his motorcycle across the high wire was Earl Johnson.

Out strolling on the sawdust streets were Ronnie Walls and Marilyn Bethany Walls, attending as guest of the Newlywed Game. This was their fourth trip as they marry and divorce regular-

ly. Followed by mobs of screaming kids were Sheila Brandon, Deborah Belcher, and Brenda Lewis, who married early and contributed to the population explosion.

As twilight fell, I saw the lights of the enormous tower, designed by architect Bill Hunt to be the symbol of the Fair. He tried to get it as high as possible. On the first floor was a huge gambling casino run by "Cool Hand Luke" Nevels and his partner Melvin "Shifty" Larry. They didn't gamble for money, only toothpicks. On the top floor was a posh revolving restaurant, operated by famous chefs Art Martin and Steve King, who got their early training at Seessels. Also located in the building were the publicity offices where Dale Morgan, Pat Moore and Gloria Nelson wrote all advertising for the Fair, assisted from time to time by Kathi Murphree and Susan Rodgers, head of the South's largest business school.

Three celebrities headed for the restaurant turned out to be Roy Sanders, Kevin Long and Kevin Scott, sports figures in the pro world for sixteen years. "Chucky" still says his greatest sports thrill was breaking a Volkswagen windshield and getting away with it. Inside the restaurant the strolling musicians were Jo Nell Fisher with her ukulele and Sarah Thompson blowing a harmonica.

In the first aid tent Nurses Tretha Burkes and Lula Williams took care of those who passed out with emotion from the sounds of the rock ensemble at one end of the midway. Jacob Williams, Jan Copeland, Cathy Cox, Ken Gomilla, and Eric Weber accompanied the "down home" vocals of Ted Jeans and Debra Blakemore.

In the fortune teller's booth were Debbie Newbern and Sonja Shields, trying to find out who they are. As cheerleaders at Tech they got so many bumps on the head that they have amnesia. Mary Lou Kirk was the palm reader while Janie Dunn interpreted the Tarot cards.

I asked Mary Lou about her old friend Barbara Craigo and learned that she had gone into business with Susie Rosebrough in an interior decorating shop, specializing in ceilings.

Everyone at the Fair was thrilled about the arrival of a group of celebrities from Hollywood, back in their old hometown to perform at the Fair. Dress-

ed in fabulous furs and diamonds was lovely Julia Chu, accompanied by two other screen idols, Don Mills and Connie Curry. Meeting them at the airport was local TV news director, Cathy Harrison. Cathy told me that one of my old friends was now married to Bill Bixby and living in Hollywood in his huge mansion. Jo Nell Barkley Bixby never got over that crush!

As the crowd grew larger, I saw Memphis mayor Steve Harris and Judge Ricky Davis, noted for his severity with drunken drivers. Three members of the School Board, Mike Reed, Anthony Ervin, and Larry Langston were on hand. They have just succeeded in getting a seven day school week. They always did love education. Superintendent of Schools Randy Johnson, noted for his scholarship, could not attend the Fair as he was at a Beethoven concert.

Bringing exhibits of their organic farming techniques were farmers Bailey Wilkes and Anne George, proudly displaying their plants. Ronnie Poole and Don Anglin were equally proud of the sheep raised on their huge ranch.

Signing autographs in one booth was Betty Drew, author of *Do It Yourself Brain Surgery*. In another booth was disc jockey James Franklin, giving out free tapes of Straughter Morris and Ellen McKinney's latest hits. Later in the day James was to interview former Miss America Cathy Free.

In the kissing booth I saw flirtatious Jean Brim and Raymond Douglass, and out on the race track I heard the engines revving up for the Memphis 498. Ricky Driver, Mike Fears, and Billy Griffin were among the leading contenders. Tim Hamlet was scheduled to complete, but he overslept as usual.

A troop of clowns appeared on the midway, none other than James Buford, Tommy Golden, and Judy Wilson. The M.C. Charles Weaver announced a new show beginning in Tent Number Five, where Wayne Williams was performing weight lifting feats, and Parasine Ray was charming a snake out of a basket. Fiery Paulette May was—you guessed it! swallowing fire. Pam Jones was the girl who lay on the sawdust while an elephant put its foot over her face. That'll keep her quiet at last.

Seeing all my old Tech friends made me wonder about the rest of the class of 1972. Suddenly I spied an attractive matron with all her kids, Delores Bursott, who told me of a scheduled class reunion. I decided to attend and find out about all the others. See you next issue.

Modern Music Masters

The Modern Music Masters held their formal initiation ceremony on March 13, at the Harbor Restaurant. Seven new members were installed and six more will be installed at a later date. The seven new members are: Cathy Cox, Ellen McKinney, Riley Webster, David Thompson, Sharon Wheeler, Jo Nell Fisher, and Jerald Jordan.

Things Look Good For Baseball Season

The Tech High baseball team has only five returning lettermen from last year's team. They are Roy Sanders (p-1b), Kevin Long (p-of), Daniel Casey (of), Chucky Scott (2b), and Kim Phillips (2b-of). Sanders and Long are the only returning regulars. Two other players, Jack Vigiletti (c) and Wayne Williams (of) did not play last year, are also on the team. Vigiletti and Williams are both seniors.

Sanders, a senior left-handed pitcher, had a record of 4-4 while posting an earned run average of 3.00. Sanders had a batting average of .250. Long, a senior right-handed pitcher, had a record of 3-3 and a 4.14 ERA. Long had a batting average of .346, which was second best on the team behind Billy Laneer, who graduated last year.

Tech has a good crop of sophomores that should make this baseball season a very good one. Mike Mills, a short-stop, made all district in baseball while playing at Airways Junior High. Mills had a whopping .409 batting average. Other sophomores on the team are Terry Wiley (3b), Eddie Torres (inf), Wal-

Track Team Gets Under Way

The Tech High Track team has had a dashing start this year in the indoor meets. K. Gomillia, M. Braden, B. Griffin and R. Webster are outjumping, outrunning and out-throwing such teams as Northside, Hamilton, Booker T. Washington, Frazier, Whitehaven, Mitchell and Manassas. The eight-lap relay has been an instant five points each meet with C. Bowers, J. Blanchard, R. Perry, and K. Gomillia each running an infallible lap. Other members of the team are: R. Pruitt, J. Cox, W. O'Kelly, W. Brown, M. Lawson, R. Fields, C. Bowers, R. Bowers, R. Hassel, M. Taylor, L. Coleman, T. Howard, J. Chambers, L. Boatman, T. Gentry, A. Jones, and Moknock. With the outdoor season on the verge of starting, other superstars such as James Cox, Jerry Chambers, Earl Johnson, and Gregory Brown are joining the team.

lace Haney (p), Ricky Hogue (p), Bill Heaston (c), and Weldon Williams (1b). These players led Airways to the division title last year with a 17-2 record.

Finishing out the team are Mitch Harrison (p), Greg Watson (of), and Delino Franklin (3b).

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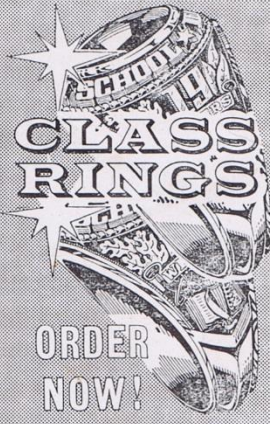
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