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Democrats court Chester County voters

by Jud Davis
staff reporter

Leading Democrats in the state of Tennessee visited Henderson to urge Chester Countians to vote for their colleagues on Thursday, November 3.

In his speech at the Chester County Courthouse, Gov. Ned McWherter said that a Democratic vote would bring better roads, jobs, education, health and housing to West Tennessee and a better quality of life.

"A great deal of progress has been made, but there is still a lot to do," he said.

McWherter said there will be a greater opportunity to get a job at home without having to leave the county if Democrats are elected to office. He also said he realized the need for better roads and education in West Tennessee. He promised to work with the

Chester County leadership and to assist with industrial opportunities, road construction, and better education.

"I want to set aside partisanship and help the state as it enters the twenty-first century," the governor said.

McWherter also gave a personal endorsement to Hugh Harvey, Jr., Rob Stallings and Jim Sasser.

As always, McWherter made sure he shook the hands of everyone present.



At the Democratic rally are (from l to r): Frank Smith, Amy Peterson, Gov. Ned McWherter, Shirley Eldridge, and Randy Shannon. Photo by S. Johnson.

About 20 minutes passed as he walked from the street to the porch of the courthouse. Even some Republicans who were present had smiles on their faces because of the governor's friendliness.

The master of ceremonies was Cotton Ivy. He introduced all of the candidates present and gave them a chance to speak. Wanda Smith, of WHHM,

opened the ceremonies and introduced the officers of the Young Democrats of America. The other Democrats in attendance were Harold Thomas, Steve Guin, Ed Patterson, Anthony Bolton, Joe McLean, Hugh Harvey, Jr., Ed Murray, Lois DeBerry, Jim Nacey, Tommy Burnette, and Rob Stallings. Jim Sasser was unable to attend.

Kelye Olsen selected Homecoming Queen

by Laurie Ligon
staff reporter

Freed-Hardeman College students selected Kelye Olsen to reign as Homecoming queen over the week's festivities. The selection was announced Monday during Chapel.

Olsen is a secondary education major from Mobile, Ala. After graduation she plans to teach high school and eventually obtain a master's degree in Christian counseling.

While at F-HC, Olsen has been involved in Tri-Zeta, Pied Pipers, SNEA, Total Life, Student Government Association, Honors Association, Alpha Chi, Student Alumni Association, Young Republicans, the A-Team, and Christians in Action. Currently, Olsen is serving as vice-president of the senior class and is a Student Admissions Representative.

Olsen's hobbies include sports, drama, public speaking, camping, and



1988-89 Homecoming Queen Kelye Olsen. Photo by T. Vaughn.

spending time with family and friends.

She said, "I feel honored and privileged to represent the senior class. I will do my best to be a good example of F-HC."

Scott Greene, a senior finance major from Fayette, Ala., will escort Olsen to the various activities.

Other members of the court are Wendy Kee, Carmen Huddleston, Janet Howell, Stacy Covington, Susan

Bennett, Lisa Graves, Christy Wilson, and Natalie Steward.

The entire court will be attending a Queen's Dinner and the Homecoming production of "Pirates of Penzance" on Thursday evening. The coronation ceremony will be held Friday during Chapel. The Homecoming Court will be presented at half time of the men's basketball game on Saturday.

OPINION

Christians need temperance in lives

by Matthew Merrick
guest editorial

The Bible teaches temperance in the lives of Christians, a fact often overlooked by over-zealous scholars and preachers who place too much emphasis on learning and not enough on living the Christian life. Many scholars are driven, almost possessed, by the desire to know more. While knowledge is normally a good thing, self-control needs to be exercised in its pursuit. It is very easy to develop such a love affair for knowledge that other areas of one's life are found lacking. Preachers preach maintaining balanced lives. Scholars teach it. Now it is time the doctor starts taking some of the medicine he prescribes for others.

The New Testament teaches the idea of temperance and self-control very plainly. Christians are to live balanced lives, devoting time to family, work, worship, and other everyday activities. Though study is an essential part of the Christian walk, it is not the only part.

One of the fruits of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23) is the trait of self-control. Paul says, "...against such things there is no law" (NASV). If one permits God to steer his life, he will lead a balanced existence, while maintaining a healthy set of priorities.

The Christian is commanded to temper his knowledge with self-control (II Peter 1:6). Peter then says in verse 9, "For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowl-

edge of our Lord Jesus Christ." A balanced life, it would seem, renders one more useful in the Lord's service.

Though some might see wisdom in the obsession of scholarship, God sees neglect. He sees the strain on families because father spends more time with his books than with his wife and children. He sees a man rich in knowledge but poverty stricken in the social graces. He sees a man who understands much but does little. All the Lord asks is a little balance, a little self-control.

No Christian should permit any activity, whether good or evil, to take up so much of his time that he neglects his

other pressing responsibilities. God holds us all accountable for our stewardship on this earth. Use it wisely.

Roommates...they're funny creatures. I know this is true because I have one and as a matter of fact...I am one.

I believe there are some guidelines that have been handed down throughout the years that must be followed if you are to be the all-American, typical roommate. So, for your information as well as reading enjoyment, here they are in their debut publication:

1. You must set your alarm for at least two hours before you actually need to get up so that you can hit the snooze for a hour and a half.

2. Your schedule should be such that you have a 7:30 a.m. class on the days that your roommate gets to sleep until chapel.

3. You should get at least three phone calls and have five visitors during your roommate's first nap of the semester.

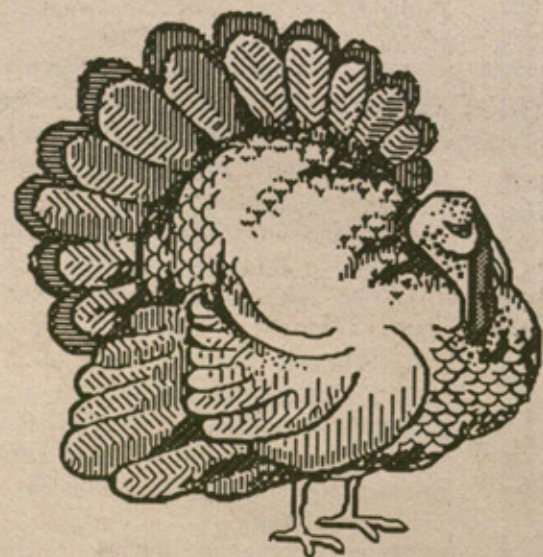
4. You should talk in your sleep in order to provide late night entertainment for your roommate who has a HUGE term paper due the next morning at 8:30.

And the list goes on and on.

And isn't it weird? Just when all the inconveniences of two people dwelling in a very small area are just about to get to you...that knucklehead you live with will come through by saying just the right thing or by giving you a smile or by just sitting there and listening as you babble on about insignificant things. I mean think about it...who else in the world would let you borrow their favorite clothes, share a 2x2 mirror with you, step over your luggage from two weekends ago, and continue to like you even though your hair does resemble a tornado in the mornings. Basically no one except your mother.

I think the saddest sight in the world would be to come in and for there to be no clothes on the bed, no shoes in the floor, and no fish whose water DESPERATELY needs changing. I'm glad someone had the wisdom to invent roommates. I'm thankful for mine. -Anna

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Ham radio operators licensed

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Heartiest congratulations are in order to the seven new amateur radio operators who have just completed the PHS 296.1 course. Shirley Eaton, assistant instructor in the library, Flint Cave, Kevin Taubenheim, Tim Bell, John Alexander, Brian Clifford, and Allen Berry, students at Freed-Hardeman College, have passed both the International Morse Code test and the written test that qualify them for the Federal Communications Commission radio operator license.

Their licenses give them the capability to render valuable public services during a variety of emergencies that occur worldwide. A recent example of such services was the occasion of Hurricane Gilbert which ravaged several is-

lands in the Caribbean and parts of Mexico. During that storm and its aftermath, amateur radio operators provided the sole means of communications for several days for the coordination of messages in and out of those areas concerning relatives and friends and disaster relief.

As soon as the licenses arrive for these new "Ham Radio" operators, they will be ready to operate the campus amateur radio station. All of them are now busily engaged in studying for the next higher level of license, which is conducted by John Rickard, a Henderson-based professional engineering consultant, and "ham."

College credit for these courses is offered to full-time F-HC students or they may be audited. If you want additional information about this excellent opportunity to make yourself a more valuable member of society, please

contact one of the graduates or John Rickard (989-3900). Dr. Robert Landon (989-6038), who sponsors the course, can also provide helpful information.

The Hardeman Boys reunite for Homecoming performance

by Robin Edwards
staff reporter

The Hardeman Boys are returning to campus. On Friday, during Homecoming Weekend, the Hardeman Boys will reunite and give a secular concert in the Commons at 7:30 p.m. They will also be giving a rendition of their special brand of gospel music during chapel on Saturday.

The group was started on campus by the Office of Admissions in 1983. The four original vocalists are Steve Hammond, Kevin Owen, Todd Tunnell, and Kyle Wadley. All four are now

ministers with various congregations. Hammond is the associate minister for the Tuscumbia, Ala., Church of Christ. Owen is working as the associate minister for the Skyline Church of Christ in Jackson. Tunnell is working with the Landmark Church of Christ in Montgomery, Ala., as the associate minister. Wadley is in Anderson, Ind., working with the Lindberg Church of Christ as associate minister.

The members of the band are Dale Alden of Columbia, Wade Morris of Florence, Ala., and Jonathan Matthews of Memphis.

In 1984, the Hardeman Boys changed their name to Henderson

Station. While they did not officially travel for F-HC, they frequently performed at youth rallies and churches promoting the gospel of Christ and Christian education.

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The band has opened for such famous performers as Ronnie Milsap when he performed on campus for Homecoming in 1984, and The Judds in Booneville, Miss. The Judds were

so impressed with the group they asked them to open for them at another performance.

Owen said they even entertained the thought of making a career in the music business, but because all the members were preachers they didn't believe their music was their first obligation.

When the group returns to campus, only two of the original band members will be present. Morris will be playing keyboards and Matthews will be on the bass guitar. Paul Reeves and Matthew Elliot, two alumni, will also be joining the group. Reeves will play the drums and Elliot will play the lead guitar.

Makin' Music '89 hosts & hostesses chosen

by Derrick Taylor
staff reporter

On October 22 and 25, 25 students auditioned to be hosts and hostesses for Makin' Music '89. Four were selected on October 27 to fill these coveted positions. Hostesses will be Connie Cochran and Leigh Anne Walker; hosts will be Lee Hibbett and Michael Diddock.

The producer of the show, Danny Sorrell, along with the director, Candy Shackleford, and the three student coordinators judged the auditions. The student coordinators are Anna Eubanks, Amy Watrous, and Brian Whitfield. The decision was not an easy one according to Sorrell.

"We all had a part in the decision, but because of Candy's past experience with the show, her vote was valued the most. We spent several hours watched the video-taped auditions, and it was a very hard decision," Sorrell said.

All four of the performers have had

experience with working with the show. They were backup singers in Makin' Music '88.

...being a host has been a goal or dream for me.

Lee Hibbett

Cochran is a senior from Belleville, Illinois, majoring in psychology. "I'm really excited about working with the others that made it because we are all really good friends. This year's show is going to be awesome!" Cochran said.

Walker is a junior from Henderson. Her major is math. Walker traveled with Michael Diddock last year in the "Ambassadors," so she is comfortable

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Slater promotes Christian education during concert

by Craig Carroll
staff reporter

Rising country music singer David Slater gave a memorable performance on campus on October 29. Slater captured the hearts of both the young and the old as he played country hits that ranged from the traditional style of country music to the contemporary/pop style that has emerged in recent years.

Slater has opened for such acts as Lee Greenwood, Sawyer Brown, and Gloria Estefan and the Miami Sound Machine. Probably one of the most important boosts to Slater's career was winning the "Male Vocalist of the Year" title on the nationally televised program "Star Search" in 1987.

Slater promoted the benefits of attending a Christian college during his concert. He attended Harding University and majored in music education. He transferred to David Lipscomb College during the second semester of his senior year to look for opportunities in the music industry.

"You have to be at the right place at the right time. . . you have to meet people and make contacts," Slater said.

While at Harding, he was a member

of the chorus, was a host for the annual spring musical production "Spring Sing," and was a member of the college traveling group, "The Time of Day."

Three of the four members of Slater's band also benefited from Christian education. Members of the band are Kent Wells, lead guitar; Dennis Wells, bass guitar; Marcia Wells, keyboards; and Jeff Stallworth, drums. Kent Wells performed with Slater at Harding.

Slater attributed his success to his parents, his band, and his friends. Slater's debut album on Capitol Records was dedicated to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Slater from Cedar Hill, Texas, "for their undying support and encouragement."

"So many friends and loved ones have high expectations and are pulling for me. . . It keeps me going and in the right track," Slater said.

Slater strongly believes in the importance of a Christian education. Slater said his priceless education has helped reinforce the Christian values that were taught him at a younger age, and it has helped him make some of the decisions he has faced.

His songs reflect his values, too. Slater has published about 50 songs, including Ray Steven's "People's Court," and some of his own.



David Slater sings to the audience during his concert. Photo by J. Barnes.

"In today's market you have to be more commercial. You have to pay attention to what the audience is looking for. But I could never write a song about cheatin' or drinkin' -- that's just not my style."



Slater and lead guitarist Kent Wells perform. Photo by J. Barnes.

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One-act play festival showcases student talent

by Stuart Hames
staff reporter

Freed-Hardeman students are given endless opportunities to express their various talents. On November 15 and 16, students will try to "break a leg" in the annual one-act play festival.

The festival is held around this time every year and serves as an outlet for students to display their abilities in the field of acting and backstage production. It was begun several years ago, and after a brief absence from the school's calendar of events, was rein-

stated as a part of the social club competition. All six social clubs compete, with first second, and third place prizes awarded. Points are given to the individual clubs, and these points go toward obtaining the social club trophy in the fall.

If you are involved with the festival or are planning on attending any of the performances, you will probably notice a few changes. For example, this is the first year that the theater department will be working with the productions. The casts will have access to the department's props and costumes. Also, the plays will be performed in

Loyd Auditorium instead of Milan-Sitka as in years past.

...It's fun and it's a good alternative for those who may not be sports oriented.

Tina Davis

As one participant said, "This is a good opportunity for students who normally may not try out for college productions to feel more at ease and possibly try out for something bigger."

Tina Davis, director of one of the en-

tries and a three-year veteran of the festival, said she is very excited about this year's competition.

"It's a good way for club members to help their club obtain points. It's fun, and it's a good alternative for those who may not be sports oriented," Davis said.

Whether you are a sports or theater enthusiast, Davis said she believes everyone will enjoy the various productions. Admission is free.



Homecoming production offers music, drama, and fun for all

by Gilbert Stevenson
staff reporter

November 3 marked the opening night of Freed-Hardeman College's Homecoming production of Gilbert and Sullivan's "Pirates of Penzance." The musical is directed by Dr. Winston Harless and includes about 60 F-HC students in various roles and production functions such as costuming, props, sound, and lighting.

The musical is a paradoxical story about a young man named Frederic that is mistakenly apprenticed to a band of pirates. Frederic loves his pirate companions, but hates the trade of piracy. He has stayed on because he is a "slave to duty."

When Frederic reaches his twenty-first birthday he is extremely happy to be free of his term of indenture, but he is sad that he must leave his friends. On the eve of his departure, Frederic announces his plans to exterminate all pirates, inviting his friends to leave their pirating ways and join him. They refuse.

At this point Frederic's life takes a

dramatic turn when a group of young, beautiful girls arrives on the scene. He falls in love with one of them and is faced shortly with his greatest inner conflict.

Frederic discovers that he was apprenticed to the pirates until his twenty-first birthday; however, being born on February 29 he has had only five actual birthdays. He is faced with the prospect of leaving his beloved to serve the pirates for 62 more years. He feels compelled to return to the dishonorable profession because he is a servant of duty and duty-bound to fulfill his obligation.

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This production though very complex seemed to go very smoothly. Everything was as close to perfect as possible. It did not seem like the players were acting; they were truly living their characters' lives. The story has a way of drawing in the audience and becoming almost real. People felt as though they were really in the time of the pirate trade.

The actors and actresses in the musical enjoyed themselves tremendously. This, in turn, made the production enjoyable for the audience.

The set of the production was not very elaborate. By the end of the first number, it didn't matter. The story was told very well through the choreography and the songs. The audience could vividly picture the setting.

This play is truly an event not to be missed. "Pirates of Penzance" will be presented November 11 and 12 at 7:30 p.m. each evening.

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Students jump for Heart Assoc.

by Jud Davis
staff reporter

Students at Freed-Hardeman College jumped rope for the benefit of heart patients in West Tennessee.

"Jump Rope for Heart" took place Thursday night on the campus of F-HC and was opened by the field representative of the American Heart Association, Hersha Benson. The event was covered by many media representatives including WZDQ, WYNU, *The Chester County Independent*, and *The Jackson Sun*. Sponsors from Henderson, Humboldt, and Jackson got involved by donating door prizes and other gifts as incentives for participants. Tammy Wynette and T.G. Sheppard also added support by giving autographed pictures for hard working rope jumpers.

Members of Pi Epsilon, the professional athletic club on campus, motivated students and social clubs to jump by supplying door prizes given by the sponsors. Almost 400 students showed up for the event and brought in close to \$3,000 for the American Heart Association.

Julie Coleman, the president of Pi Epsilon and coordinator of "Jump Rope for Heart," has worked for three months on the planning and organization of the event. "It's a lot of hard work, but it's for a good cause and it's enjoyable for the students."

Assisting Coleman in the hard work was the other coordinator Shanda Reid, and promotional and advertising managers, Pam Hicks and Bill Freeze.

The students who participated were grouped in teams of six and jumped for three hours total. Each participant recruited his own sponsor and tried to raise as much money as possible. The participants were sponsored for each minute they jumped.



Tammy Wynette poses with Bill Freeze and Pam Hicks for the Heart Assoc. benefit. Photo by J. Davis.

Anna Eubanks, a senior participant, said, "There are 24 hours in a day. If I donate three of those hours to helping someone with heart trouble, I'll feel better about myself and I'll still have 21 hours to do whatever I want."

Jerry Moore, a junior participant, said, "It's for a good cause and it benefits us as well as others. It's also fun for all the students."

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Lions end fall baseball season

by Mike Kelley
staff reporter

On Thursday, October 27, the Freed-Hardeman College baseball team ended its fall season by defeating Jackson State by the score of 12-4. This win put the Lions' record at 5-8.

The Lions struck first in the third inning. Third baseman Joey Adams drew a one-out walk. Right fielder Mike Kelley then laid down a bunt hit. Gregg Worthey followed with a triple down the right field line, scoring Adams and Kelley. A throwing error allowed Worthey to score on the same play.

A seventh inning rally allowed the Lions to gain a sizeable lead. They went on to win.

Junior Tim Tate pitched five strong innings for the Lions. Herb Woodard relieved Tate and finished the game.



Gregg Worthey was the offensive hero for the Lions. He had two hits and five RBI's in the Lions' win. Other Lions with hits were Jason Ayers, Bruce Jones, Andy Katayama, and Tabb Loveless.

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Lady Lions anticipate winning basketball season

by Laurie Ligon
staff reporter

The Lady Lions basketball team will tip off their season on Friday at 6 p.m. in Bader Memorial Gym. Their opponent will be Tennessee Wesleyan College.

Joining 11 returning members are four freshmen: Amy Lyons from Florence Al.; Cindy Burns and Sandy Burns, both all-district players from Spring Hill; and Missy Barber, an all-state player from Mayfield, Ky.

Returning from last year are Connie Ellis and Deana Jackson, who were red-shirted due to injuries; Connie Howell, the only sophomore on the team; Teresa Clark, Marchelle Ragsdale, Shalene Grinder, and Mitzi Holloway, all juniors; Mechell Ellis, Alicia Mays, Ann Nix, all seniors; and Kathy Dye who injured an ankle in a pre-season game and will be unable to play for the Lady Lions this season.

Coaching the team this year is Randy Brown. Valerie Jackson, Terrie

Clark, and Katt White are serving as team managers.

"The girls have greatly improved over the past two years. They play very well together," Coach Brown said.

He also said another important factor was that the players got along well and have positive supportive attitudes toward one another.

With the depth and experience of the team, we are looking forward to a good season.

Coach Randy Brown

Brown is hoping to avoid the injuries that plagued his team last year. He is looking for strong leadership from Ellis, who made the TCAC All-Conference team last year despite sitting out half the season because of an ankle injury.

Brown said, "With the depth and experience of the team, we are looking forward to a good season."

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

by Van McMahan

This week the senior spotlight falls on Clay Hobbs. Hobbs is a native of Ft. Pierce, Fla. He graduated from Ft. Pierce Westwood High School.

Hobbs has been a starter the past three years. He has a lot of experience and leadership ability. While he has played at many positions for the baseball Lions, Hobbs spends most of his time at third base and first base.

He has an overall batting average of .330 for the past three years. His best year was his freshmen year when he hit .390. Hobbs also contributes a lot to the Lions attack in the field. He won the Golden Glove Award for best fielding average in high school, and he continues to exhibit this talent at F-HC.

Hobbs has two memorable moments in his college baseball career. The first happened in his freshmen year when he knocked the winning home run against David Lipscomb College to record F-HC's first and only win over them. The second happened when he hit back-to-back home runs in a game his family attended.

He believes that if the Lions work hard and play as a team, they will surprise their opponents and be a contender for a spot in the TCAC tournament.

After graduation, Hobbs plans to work for the Big Eight accounting firm of Peat, Marwick, Main, and Company in Nashville.

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