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Commentator to Speak At Benefit Dinner

by Kay Owen

Freed-Hardeman College's largest fundraiser, the \$100 benefit dinner, will take place Friday, and Howard K. Smith, television news commentator, will speak at 7:30 p.m. in Loyd Auditorium. His topic will be "The Changing Challenge to America."

The evening will also include a tribute to the memory of Kenneth Woods, a Henderson business and civic leader who is credited with starting the dinners. This will be the 20th \$100 benefit dinner for the college.

The \$100 benefit dinner differs from the \$1,000 benefit dinner, which is held in the spring, in two ways. First, the \$100 dinner is open to the general public. Students, faculty, alumni and businessmen are encouraged to attend. "Many of the F-HC alumni use this as an excuse to come back to campus," said Joe Glisson, assistant in Advancement. Second, the \$100 benefit always features a well-known after-dinner-speaker.

The F-HC Advisory Board hosts this annual affair to help cover the basic operating expenses of the college. John

Tignor, of Jacks Creek, is the chairman of this year's board.

The benefit's speaker, Howard K. Smith, served as the co-anchorman of the "ABC Evening News" for seven years. He has hosted two television debates thought to be decisive in two presidential elections: the first Kennedy-Nixon debate in 1960 and the Carter-Reagan "Great Debate" in 1980.

He also broadcast a study of the modern presidency titled "Every Four Years," a series of one-hour television programs during which he interviewed all living presidents. Smith has won every major award given for excellence in broadcasting. He spends a great amount of his time lecturing, speaking and accepting selected television assignments. He is also researching a book which will be a newsman's commentary of the 20th Century.

According to Glisson, the benefit is a campus-wide effort. Many students and various organizations will perform the tasks necessary to make the dinner a success. The Preachers Club will direct

Doran to Give Dec. 14 Commencement Address

by Brenda Lacy

The graduation ceremony for students graduating in December 1984 will begin at 2 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 14. The ceremony will be held in Loyd Auditorium and Dr. Adron Doran will give the commencement address. Thirty-four students are expected to be awarded degrees at the commencement.

Candidates for the Bachelor of Arts degree include Larry Garth Brinkley, Danny Ray Holman, Rodney Brian Pitts, Barry Neil Sellers, Joey Timothy Sharp and Cameron Lowell Traw.

The candidates for the Bachelor of Science degree are James Kim Alderdice, Randall Armstrong Bates, Teresa Beth Bond, Richard Fredrick Carlson, George Thomas Cupp, Kathryn Jane Davis, Valerie Lee Dodson, Kenneth

Mark Eddy, Gina Burrell Goforth, Donna Dabbs Jennings, Alan Ray Keele, Lisa Jo Luttrell, John Davis Marshall, Deborah Lynn Methvin, Ella Katherine Osburn, Mary Claire Shackelford, Teresa Ann Surber, James Marcus Teague, Michael Ray Thomas and Steven Glenn Weaver.

The candidates for the Bachelor of Business Administration degree include Alan Bert Clark, Myna Lee Gann, Jacqueline Wilson Langston, Carla Marie Madison and Allison Novak Reed.

The candidates for the Bachelor of Science in Education degree are Suzanne DePriest Darity, Anna Miller Meggs and Vanda Gay Owens.

The candidate for the Bachelor of Social Work degree is Patricia Ann Colston.



Howard K. Smith

and park cars, the Student Government Association and the Student Alumni Association will serve as ushers, and many other students have volunteered to help serve the dinner. "The students are the unofficial ambassadors for the college," Glisson said.

Between 1,700 and 1,800 guests are expected to be on campus for the event.

Serving will begin at 4:30 p.m. in the Pruett Banquet Hall. At 6:30 p.m. two F-HC groups, the Chorus and the Sunshine Singers, will perform in the auditorium.

'Oz' Play Features Children

by David Florida

The Drama Department of F-HC presented the first of five performances of the one act children's play "The Wizard of Oz" by Stephen Hotchner this past Tuesday in the Milan-Sitka auditorium. The play, according to director Dana Eubanks, is "A children's participation play" with the script calling for certain parts to be played by the children in the audience.

The story centers around Dorothy, played by Celine Holder, who has been kidnapped by the Wicked Witch of the West, Sherry Moore. And the efforts of the Lion, Stacy Moffitt; the Tinman,

Tammy King; and the Scarecrow, Trent Allen; to find and rescue Dorothy so that they can each have their wishes granted by the "Wizard of Oz."

The "Good Fairy" is portrayed by Trisha Hipps who uses reason and love to help Dorothy and her friends. The "trees" in the forest are played by Kenny Morris and Louis Hall and the role of "Munchkin Leader" is played by Lynette Linker. Ticket prices are \$1.75 at the door only with performances at 7:30 p.m. on the 6th, 7th, and 8th of December, and a matinee at 2:00 p.m. on Sat. the 8th.

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Change, A Part of Everyone's Life

by Gary Kowalczyk

Although changes in life can be difficult and frightening, they can be very helpful. Even though a person may be uncomfortable with change, it can lead him to become even better. Let us consider how change can be both beautiful and a step toward something better.

First, change can be beautiful. Autumn is a time of change. This change even requires a death. The favorite season of

many is autumn because of its picturesque beauty. In the Christian life, one takes on a change from his worldly life (Rom. 6:4). This change requires a death (to his old self), but the Christian life becomes beautiful and fulfilling.

Secondly, change can be a step toward something better. At the end of each season, change is a step in the cycle. While autumn is preparation for winter, spring brings in new life blooming afresh.

Think also of the change a caterpillar goes through. It becomes a new creature as it goes through a complete metamorphosis. This change leads to something greater, something beautiful, a magnificently structured butterfly. Just as this change is necessary for the caterpillar to become something greater, change is necessary to become something greater. When one changes into a Christian and lives by the spirit, he can reach his great

test potential (Gal. 5:22-25).

He is renewed into a beautiful, spiritual "butterfly." The Christian need not reject the opportunity to grow through change. All Christians should accept the challenge to change. "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (II Corinthians 5:17).

Letters

To the editor:

It always seems to be the case that in any election year, most of our good sense and balanced judgment get thrown out of the political window. "My candidate is right," or "Your candidate is wrong" become the cornerstone of election year arguments. Individuals who might normally be level-headed, straight-forward thinking people become biased, unobjective, obtrusive and in some cases, irrational.

This year has obviously been no exception. Reagan followers have blasted Mondale as representing a platform no Christian could accept, and Mondale supporters have meticulously searched for areas where they could point out Reagan's moral faults. In some cases, I have actually heard mention of either Reagan or Mondale being the anti-Christ. Those are certainly rational thoughts, aren't they?

But the question does come... Should a person support a party whose basic platform has planks that seemingly oppose Christian ideals? Christians who supported Mondale

did not have a problem with this when others were shouting of the pro-ERA and pro-abortion beliefs of the Democratic Party. Those same Mondale supporters have attempted in turn to point out the hypocrisy of the Republican platform, and of President Reagan in particular, because he said in 1980 he would legalize abortion. But in the next four years he took no steps to do so.

My question is this: in regard specifically to the abortion issue, is a Christian... should a Christian... be opposed to abortion? Should it matter whether Reagan has followed up on a campaign promise? And if his promise is never realized, is it logical that we should then turn our support to a man or a party that is blatantly pro-abortion?

For me the answer is obvious. I realize that for others it is not. We have to do what our heart and mind say is right. What we must avoid is labeling everyone else as radical and un-Christian if they oppose our views.

Sincerely,
Brian J. Lucas

To the editor:

As one of the members of the soccer club, I do not understand why the school does not support our soccer team. We are not asking for full-ride scholarships, only money to cover the basic expenses of the team. As it is now, the members have to supply money for gas, soccer balls, jerseys and the referee. The school did provide \$20 at Homecoming to cover

the expenses of that game.

We conduct ourselves as Christians and represent the school in a good manner. Soccer is one of the fastest growing sports in America, and I do not know why Freed-Hardeman has to wait for another Christian college to put soccer into its school-supported activities before we do.

Sincerely,
Bryan McDonald



Season's Greetings from
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Schedule for Spring Registration Posted

Here are some reminders for everyone who returns to campus for the spring semester:

Dorms open on Jan. 6 at 2 p.m.

The cafeteria will open for the evening meal on the 6th.

The registrar's office has posted the following schedule for advising and registration.

Students will meet with advisors and register according to the following schedule in the Banquet Hall of the Bible-Communication World Evangelism Building. Students who pre-selected classes will follow the same schedule but will **not** need to see an advisor, **unless** a schedule change is needed.

MONDAY, January 7

8:30 - 9:00 SGA students who will be assisting in the registration process.

9:00 - 10:30 PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS: Continuing students who have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 on 30 hours or more at

the end of the fall semester. Freshmen who are eligible for F-HC Academic Scholarships of \$400 or more per academic year.

K-Q 9:00 - 9:15 A-B 9:45 - 10:00

R-T 9:15 - 9:30 C-F 10:00 - 10:15

U-Z 9:30 - 9:45 G-J 10:15 - 10:30

10:30 - 12:00 SENIORS (90 or more hours earned) whose last name begins with:

K-Q 10:30 - 10:45 A-B 11:15 - 11:30

R-T 10:45 - 11:00 C-F 11:30 - 11:45

U-Z 11:00 - 11:15 G-J 11:45 - 12:00

12:00 - 1:30 JUNIORS (60-89 hours earned) whose last name begins with:

K-Q 12:00 - 12:15 A-B 12:45 - 1:00

R-T 12:15 - 12:30 C-F 1:00 - 1:15

U-Z 12:45 - 1:00 G-J 1:15 - 1:30

1:30 - 3:00 SOPHOMORES (30-59 hours earned) whose last name begins with:

K-Q 1:30 - 1:45 A-B 2:15 - 2:30

R-T 1:45 - 2:00 C-F 2:30 - 2:45

U-Z 2:00 - 2:15 G-J 2:45 - 3:00

3:00 - 4:00 EXPLORERS (21 years of age or older, not enrolled at F-HC since 1976)

CATCH-UP TIME for all who missed their scheduled time.

TUESDAY, January 8

8:30 - 10:00 FRESHMEN (0-29 hours earned) whose last name begins with:

S-AA Sponsors Magical Party

by Christie Chaney

"The Magic of Christmas," this year's campus-wide Christmas party, is scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday. The event, sponsored by the Student-Alumni Association, will take place in the Pruett Banquet Hall.

Magician Bill Clarey will perform. He has been billed as a mime, comedian, emcee, hypnotist, singer, song writer and illusionist. Clarey has appeared in movies for television and appeared in "Stroker Ace" with Burt Reynolds.

A-B 9:15 - 9:30 K-Q 8:30 - 8:45

C-F 9:30 - 9:45 R-T 8:45 - 9:00

G-J 9:45 - 10:00 U-Z 9:00 - 9:15

10:00 - 11:00 EXPLORERS and CATCH-UP TIME

Registration will close at 11:00 a.m. Anyone not registered by that time must wait until Wednesday. Late registration fees will be charged at that time.

In addition to the magic show, students can participate in the Christmas tree decorating contest. Ten trees will be ornamented; nine will represent the dorms, and one will be decorated by students who live off campus.

A Christmas quartet is scheduled to perform as well as the S-AA players, who will present a Christmas skit.

Santa Claus will make his usual stop at the Christmas party. Pictures can be made with Santa at a cost of \$1.

The Student-Alumni Association extends an invitation to everyone at Freed-Hardeman to come and share in the magic of the holiday season.

Talking Heads

"What do you like most about the Christmas season?"



Thea Moore, senior, management major, Hamilton, Ala. "I like the spirit of it. Everybody is giving to everybody else. People think of others before themselves at this time of year."



J.D. Marshall, senior, Bible major, Jackson. "The giving spirit that people have, the generous nature and their compassion for those in need."



Janine Wilkes, senior, communications major, Gleason. "I like to look at the twinkling lights and colors of Christmas decorations."



Chuck Duer, sophomore, information systems major, Opelika, Ala. "I like the excitement of Christmas. You get to see old friends and relatives."



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Keaton, Piscopo Rival in 'Johnny Dangerously'

The Christmas season is usually a time when movie makers release what they think will be big hits at the box office. This year, we're again faced with the dilemma of deciding which movies we'll see during Christmas vacation. One of the movies which you may not have heard much about features Michael Keaton and Joe Piscopo (in his film debut) in "Johnny Dangerously."

1930. Prohibition has done for the price of liquor what OPEC would do for the price of oil nearly a half century later. The stock market has plummeted, and things are so tough the organ grinder just ate his monkey. Crime is about the only thing that does pay. If you don't believe it, ask the police: they take MasterBribe.

The mob lives by its own code (written with a foreword by Al Capone), and gang wars are more popular than the World Series. Bubblegum cards immortalize second-story men, not second basemen, and that guy carrying a violin case is probably first tommygunner with a band of assorted hoods.

One man emerges from the crowd—tough, sensitive and a very natty dresser. He has increased the mob's gross by 23 percent while cutting overhead, and his only worries are a couple of Japanese gangs that will do it faster and cheaper . . . until his own kid brother, who has become the D.A., sends him up the river. But this bird is so cool, he has the warden send out for some quiche for the guys.

With Micheal Keaton in the title role, "Johnny Dangerously" is a rich mixture of all of the silliness and cliches we learned to love in 1930s gangster movie. One of the hottest new comedy sensations in films, Keaton comes to "Johnny Dangerously" directly from his acclaimed performance in "Mr. Mom." Keaton made his feature film debut as Bill Blazejowski, a motor-mouthed idea man who bubbled over with zany schemes for getting rich, in "Night Shift."

Also starring in "Johnny Dangerously" are Joe Piscopo, Marilu Henner, Maureen Stapleton, Glynnis O'Connor and Danny DeVito. Playing cameos are Dom DeLuise as the pope and Dick Butkus as a driver and a corpse.



Michael Keaton (left) and Joe Piscopo play rival gangsters in a spoof of gangster movies, "Johnny Dangerously."

Makin' Music Ticket Info

The eighth annual Makin' Music extravaganza is rapidly approaching, and the theme, "Isn't This Our Makin' Music—A Hard Habit to Break," promises to continue the tradition of celebrating music and its excitement at Freed-Hardeman College. Makin' Music will take place April 5 and 6 in Loyd Auditorium beginning at 7 p.m.

Because of limited seating, the following procedures for purchasing tickets will apply:

Beginning Jan. 1, you may begin ordering tickets by mail only. You may use U.S. mail or campus mail. All mail orders must be postmarked after Jan. 1. Tickets ordered by mail which are received after April 1 will be held at the door.

All ticket orders should be sent to Jim

Selbe, Director of Student Activities, Freed-Hardeman College, Henderson, TN 38340. Payment must accompany all reserved ticket orders. Tickets are \$5.50 for all seats. Remember to include the following information when ordering tickets: (1) a self-addressed, stamped envelope, (2) the number of tickets requested and (3) the evening desired (Friday or Saturday).

If you have questions or problems regarding Makin' Music ticket requests, contact coordinators Terri Norton, Darrell Orand, producer Jim Selbe and director Winston Harless.

Needless to say, tickets will sell out quickly. Be sure to order tickets early for 1985's Makin' Music!

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'Twas the Week Before Finals

by Bobby McVey, Janine Wilkes and Lora DeFore

'Twas the week before finals, when all through the dorm,
Papers were flying, since procrastination's the norm.
The papers were written without the greatest of care
With hopes that the teachers could bear with their fare.

The students were nestled all snug in their beds,
With visions of passing grades choreographed in their heads;
Joe in his t-shirt and I in my sweats,
Had just settled down to forget all our frets.



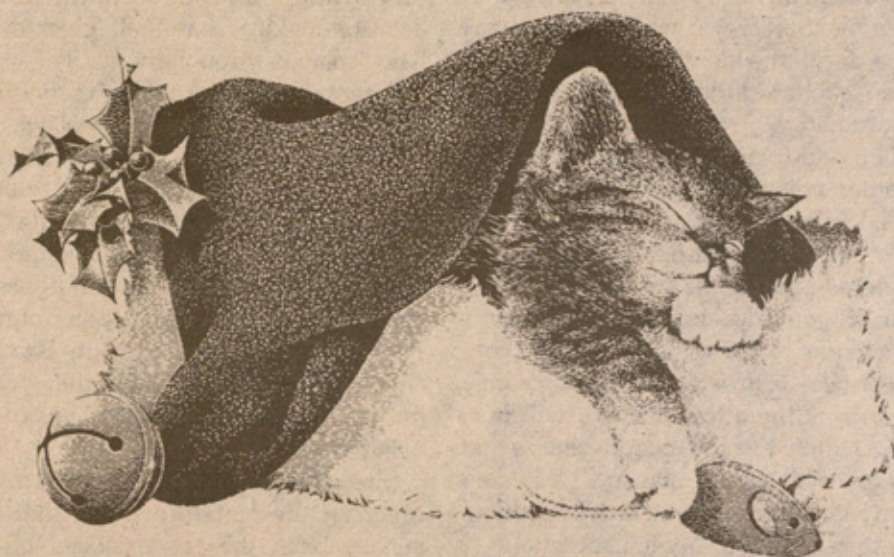
When out in the hall there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter.
I put on my shoes and threw open the door,
Uncertain of what the cold night had in store.

I ran down the hall and into the cold
As Joe yelled "Fire Drill!" in a voice so bold.
We stood outside in the freezing rain
Wondering how long we'd endure this pain.



When what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But the Ghost of Finals Past who filled me with fear.
"Your performance was lousy; you wasted your time,
If you don't shape up soon, you'll never reach your prime."

He showed me the tests that I'd never studied for
And the papers that I'd put off, until the night before.
"You're destined to stay here forever," he said,
"Unless you can get these few things through your head."



"Good grades can't be made in last-minute fashions,
When sleeping and watching TV are your passions.
A social life has its own time and place,
But too little studying results in F's, not A's."

I came out of my fog with a tug at my sleeve,
And Joe said my teachers had given me a reprieve.
"You've got a second chance to improve your scores;
Your teachers have heard your urgent implores."



I went to the library early the next day
And found myself studying in a most studious way.
I saw out the window the Ghost of Finals Past,
And I vowed to never put my studies last.

I heard him exclaim as he happened to fade,
"Happy Finals to all, and to all a good grade!"

Merry Christmas

Life on the Farm and in the Classroom

by Pamela Jo Delk

There has been a great deal of fuss about purple cows, lately, on the campus. The songs that have been composed about them and allusions to them in chapel skits confirm this startling fact. We owe this newfound appreciation of cattle aesthetics to Mrs. Beatrice Angelo. Her unforgettable chapel presentation on poetry and "purple cows" exhibited her talent for illustrious storytelling. A colorful character herself, Angelo has been one of the most influential and best loved teachers during her seventeen year tenure here at Freed-Hardeman.

The odd thing is, to hear Angelo talk about it, you would think that most of us dread taking her classes. One of her favorite stories to tell freshmen is that her students soon come to refer to her as "the dragon lady." In truth, her students have come to know her as a highly conscientious instructor who constantly challenges them to achieve excellence. "They know I won't accept laziness and irresponsible work," she says. "My concern is that each student strives continually to reach his or her full potential."

One can understand Beatrice Angelo's obsession with responsibility, excellence, and endurance by listening to her tell some stories of her life in Texas. "When I write my biography for the older audience, I think I will call it *Cows I Have*

Known," she laughs. She fondly recalls memories of her life on the farm: "I was the oldest of eight children. I felt and took on a great deal of responsibility concerning them. I even took spankings for them, sometimes!"

To this day, her brothers and sisters still look to her as a source of guidance and leadership. It is no wonder; few outstanding individuals exude the self-confidence and determination in decision-making that their older sister has displayed throughout her life.

After graduating from high school she wanted desperately to go to college, but was too poor to do so. She then married "a wonderful, caring man" whose compassion and forthrightness would leave a priceless mark on her own method of approaching life fearlessly and honestly. His death, after ten short years of marriage, was devastating but Beatrice "made the choice to let these things work for good" in her life and the lives of her children.

She bravely took over the task of breeding the Hereford cattle that had initially been the responsibility of her husband, and successfully sustained her small ranch through a disastrous seven year drought that threatened to destroy it.

By the time her children were ready to enter college, Angelo was also ready to

tend to a long-lived dream of a college education. These simultaneous collegiate endeavors of mother and children produced "healthy competition" between the family members. After she received her degree at Uvalde Junior College she proceeded to St. Angelo to teach school for a while. She also spent a year in Oregon sharing her teaching talents with students.

In the fall of 1968, Dr. E. Claude Gardner gave Mrs. Angelo a call and invited her to come teach at Freed-Hardeman. "I was thrilled at the opportunity to teach college; but, I was euphoric about the prospect of being able to teach at a Christian college," she emphasizes.

Since she has been with us at Freed-Hardeman, "B." Angelo says she has grown to appreciate most about the students "a distinctive trustworthiness." "There have, of course, been exceptions; but I find the general honesty of my students to be a continually refreshing aspect of working here."

Her favorite class to teach, she claims, has been children's literature. She attributes the fascination of this genre of literature to her special relationship with her grandchildren: little Sarah, who is three years old and Andrew, who is two. A sentimental gleam illuminates the

"dragon lady's" eye as she speaks of them.

"When I retire, I will move back to St. Angelo to help my daughter and son-in-law raise them. I also have an interest in working with a day-care center for working mothers." But she also adds, "The recent bad publicity of unfavorable incidents in day-care centers has made me think twice about it. Then I decided that those of us who know how it should be done have a responsibility to lead the way."

Her love for children has also compelled her to write an exciting and realistic book for them about life on a ranch; tentatively, she plans to call it *Ranchario*. "As you know, I love to tell good stories!" she winks and laughs.

Mrs. Angelo will be retiring after the spring semester of 1985. How does she feel about it?

"I have been, and am, a happy woman," she almost whispers. It is a simple, yet profound statement for the conclusion of an enthralling story made by a skilled storyteller. For those of us who have been blessed by her presence as a teacher and a Christian example of courage, the story is never-ending. We thank you, Mrs. Angelo for a job exceedingly well done.

Hovaters Author Article On Computer Literacy

Anna H. Hovater, director of the Center for Instructional Development, and Gerald G. Hovater, director of teacher education, Freed-Hardeman College, have written an article titled, "Promoting Computer Literacy During Pre-Service Teacher Training," which is published in the November/December issue of *Tennessee Teacher*, an official publication of the Tennessee Education Association.

Knowing the BASIC language is practically an expected skill for today's pros-

pective teachers. The Hovaters describe the five phases in computer training that are included throughout the four-year teacher training program at Freed-Hardeman College.

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UT-M Rally Sends Soccer Team to Defeat

by Bob Jones

The Freed-Hardeman College extramural soccer team went into its final game against UT-Martin on Saturday, Nov. 17 with a 2-2-1 record with hopes for a win to make this their best season ever. After the first half the Lions held a 2-0 and appeared to be headed for their third win, but their inability to hold a lead came back to haunt them once again as the Pacers came back to tie the game near the end of regulation and won the game in overtime, 4-2.

Two of the team's three losses and its only tie came in games in which the Lions were ahead at halftime but failed to hold on to the lead in the second half.

F-HC had beaten the UT-Martin junior varsity 4-3 earlier in the season at Martin, but for the return match the Pacers brought mostly varsity players, making the Lion's showing much better than the final score indicated.

Freed-Hardeman came out smoking at the start, controlling the flow of play and creating numerous scoring opportunities. Phil Satterfield put the Lions on the scoreboard first when he took a centering pass from Dave Ligon on a breakaway and guided the ball past the UT-Martin goalie approximately ten minutes into the game.

About five minutes later the Lions struck again. Bob Jones took the ball

down the right side of the field and centered it to Satterfield, who made a deft touch pass to Ligon who was breaking in from the left side. Ligon then took it in the rest of the way and booted it into the goal to stake the Lions to a 2-0 lead.

After that score the experience of the Pacers came through as they began to take control with their slick ball handling and passing game.

Russ Clack broke the ice for UT-Martin in the second half with a long, arching shot into the upper righthand corner of the goal to narrow the margin to 2-1.

As the time ran down it appeared that the Lions were going to hold on but with only about five minutes remaining in the game the Pacer's Grady Capps angled a long shot past goalie Brian McDonald for the equalizer.

Both Ligon and Satterfield had breakaway scoring opportunities in the closing moments but neither one could capitalize and the game went into a twenty minute overtime.

The first ten-minute period ended scoreless, but with four minutes left in the second overtime period Robert Kimbrell broke through to score the game-winner for the Pacers. UT-Martin added an insurance goal in the last minute on a penalty kick by Fathi Alsuwilem.

Despite the dissappointing ending,



Phillip Satterfield drives down the field with the ball against UT-Martin. The Pacers rallied from a 2-0 halftime deficit to win the game in overtime by a 4-2 margin.

soccer club president Kent Carter termed the season a success, saying, "We really played one of our best games of the year against UT-Martin, especially when you consider that we played their varsity, which competes in NCAA Div-

ision I. Overall the season was a success. We went out to play soccer and have fun and that's exactly what we did. Also, we really appreciated those fans who came out to cheer for us and who pledged money for the soccer marathon."

Lady Lions Stumble

by Bob Jones

If you had to pick one word to describe the Lady Lions basketball team nine games into the season, "struggling" would seem to be an appropriate choice.

The Lady Lions have struggled to a 2-7 mark thus far, with both wins coming over Lane College, and the bad part is that in many of their losses they have not even been within shouting distance of the opposition at the final buzzer. Five of the losses have been by 19 or more points.

But every cloud has its silver linings if you look for them, and there are some positive aspects to the season so far.

The most important aspect of the 2-7 record is that the Lady Lions are still only 0-1 against VSAC West opposition and they have four more nonconference games to play before getting into their conference schedule after the Christmas break. Many of their games thus far have been against top-flight competition such as the University of North Alabama and it should prepare them well for VSAC play.

Another bright spot is that the young Lady Lions have gained valuable experience playing together. Coach Bill Boley has been using ten to twelve players each game and he should be able to rely on his entire bench when they get into VSAC action.

Also, the team is relatively healthy at this point in the season. Freshman Gina Sweat has joined the lineup after recovering from an injury and the rest of the squad is injury free.

It's going to be difficult, but the Lady Lions do have the potential to make their presence felt in the VSAC race. Coach Boley is optimistic that better things are in store for the team, commenting, "We've had some bad ballgames but I can see a lot of improvement, especially in the freshmen. The players are starting to get used to their teammates and we're beginning to play more as a team. I've been pleased with our play at times, but we need to be able to play a full forty minutes."

The Lady Lions will be competing in the Association for Retarded Children's Tournament this weekend at Lambuth before closing out the fall schedule with games at Judson College and Montevallo State next weekend.

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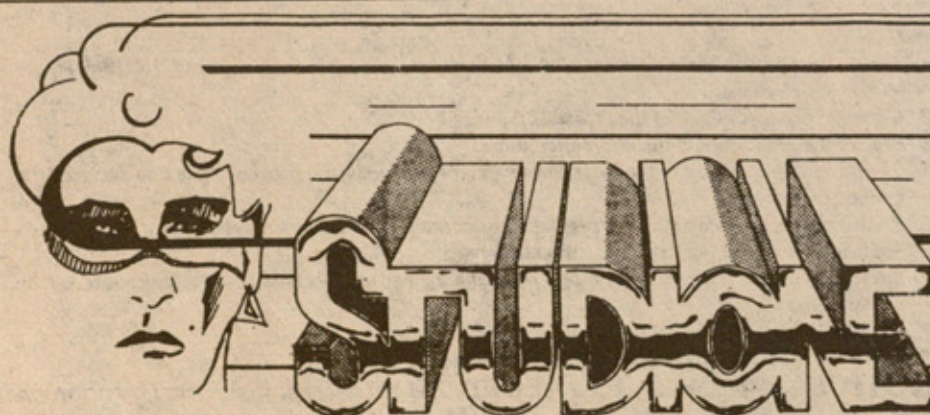
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Lions Triumph in Exchange Club Tournament

by Chris Barber

The Freed-Hardeman Lions captured their third Bicentennial Exchange Club Tournament championship since 1980 as they edged the Lambuth Eagles 75-73 in the championship game last Saturday.

"This is the second straight year we have played Lambuth three times before Christmas, and it seems to get tougher each time," Lion coach Charlie Smith said. "It's hard to beat any team three times in a row, and we are just happy to have done it," he added.

The Lions featured a balanced scoring attack, including 53 percent shooting accuracy from the field to nip the scrappy Eagles. F-HC led 36-31 at the half, but Lambuth bounced back to tie the score in the first seven minutes of the second half. Lambuth then built a five-point lead, 54-49, at the 11:55 mark.

Four minutes later, F-HC regained the lead on a long bomb by freshman standout, Renard Carpenter, who led the Lions with 18 points. The teams swapped the leads several times down to the final minutes.

Another Lion freshman, Hal Coleman, gave the victors a 71-69 lead with a free throw at the 1:08 mark, and following a Lambuth miss, he fired a perfect pass to teammate Steve Avery for a layup with 27 seconds remaining for a 73-69 bulge.

Eagle guard Clint Majors answered with a 20-foot jumper, but Avery connected on a pair of free throws to offset Foster's basket at the buzzer.

Carpenter led the Lions with 18 points but received plenty of assistance. Center Jeff Schoen contributed 17 points, including several key baskets late in the contest, and four blocked shots. Wendell Theus had 15 points and 12 rebounds, while Avery tallied 11 points and had five assists. Nate Samuel netted eight points; Coleman had four points and matched Avery's assist total with five. Keith Carnahan scored two to round out the Lion scoring.

Meguel Ratliff, a high school teammate of Avery, led the Eagles with 24 points.

The Lions advanced to the finals by eliminating the Union Bulldogs 75-72, behind the play of freshman sensation Carpenter's 31 points.

The Lions jumped out to a 14-point lead in the first half, but they saw their lead cut to 67-61 with 1:31 left to play because of the sharpshooting of Union guard Elvis Mitchell.

F-HC led by just four points, 72-68, when Union's Stevie Howard scored on an easy layup on an inbound pass with just 26 seconds remaining to close the gap to just two points.

Freed beat Union's press and drew a foul with 14 seconds remaining. Carpenter hit one free throw to put the Lions up 73-70.

Union's Barry Puckett rebounded and passed to Cal Johnson, who pulled up at the top of the key and nailed a 25-footer with six seconds left to play.

The Lions struggled to get the ball inbounds but spotted Carpenter streaking downcourt. Carpenter received the touchdown pass and calmly sank a 22-footer to seal the victory. Carpenter, a 6-foot-3 freshman from Aliceville, Ala., hit on 14 of 20 field goal attempts and added five rebounds.

"Renard has a lot of raw talent," Smith said, "but he's still going to make freshman mistakes. Tonight was obviously one of his better games offensively."

Despite sitting out much of the game because of foul trouble, Theus scored 18 points and collected seven rebounds. Schoen added nine points and nine rebounds and Avery handed out six assists.

Freed-Hardeman's Carpenter and Theus headed the all-tournament team, which also included Ratliff, Mitchell and Lane's Isaiah Brown.

The Lions saw their record fall to 4-5 with a pair of home losses. Athens State defeated F-HC 75-60, and Cumberland slipped by the Lions 72-68.

In the Athens State contest, Wendell Theus was the leading scorer for the Lions with 15 points and Jeff Schoen and



Wendell Theus reaches high to block a shot against Cumberland last Monday night. Cumberland won, 72-68.

Renard Carpenter also scored in double figures with 14 apiece. Nate Samuel was the leading rebounder with seven.

After trailing most of the Cumberland game by 12 to 14 points, the Lions staged a dramatic comeback that fell short when Carpenter missed on 18-foot jumper that would have tied the score with :03 left. Cumberland added two free throws for the final margin.

The Lions were led by Carpenter's 24 points, and Theus had 14 points and 11 boards. Nate Samuel also hit double figures with 11 points and grabbed seven rebounds.

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