

# Raider Record

Kimmons Junior High School

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Clockwise: Shalina Whitfield, Liz Mendez, Hector Ortiz, Jamie Hammond, and Keith Irish, students in the All Region Orchestra

## Musicians Selected

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Eighteen Kimmons Junior High School students have been selected for the All Region Orchestra, according to the instructor, John Thellman. This was the largest number chose from any one Junior high school in the regional tryouts held last week in Rogers.

Included in the group were four students who were selected as first-chair players. They were Chylynda Whitfield, Tim Carver, Eric Henry, and Eugene Kersh.

Other students selected for the all region orchestra were Quodung Nguyen, Stephanie Harris, Michelle O' Bana, Angela Speer, Robbie Hayes, Liz Reed, Jacque Hudson, Tara Fangala, Karen Davis, Hector Ortiz, Liz Mendez, Keith Irish, Joel Releford and Julie Cia.

## Citizens of the Month

The Student Council sponsors the Citizens of the Month program. Each month teachers nominate one boy and one girl from each grade. Students are selected on the basis of displaying good citizenship both in and out of class.

The October citizens were:

seventh grade:

Clay Roper Tiffany Baker

eighth grade:

Jeff Bieker Nikki McDaniel

ninth grade:

Paul Udouj Ava Miller

From Mr. Bardrick...

## CHRISTMAS

Christmas is the faith men have in all that is good in the world; Christmas is the giving and receiving of special rememberances; Christmas is the selfless spirit of doing for others; Christmas is the laughter and friendship and the spreading of cheer; Christmas is the joy of sharing with others;
Christmas is the quileless wonder of childhood and the light of faith in young eyes on Christmas morn;
Christmas is the sweet joy of families united in person or spirit;
Christmas is the tender knowldedge that you are loved by someone and that you have someone to love;
Christmas is believing in prayer and in the Power that answers it;
Christmas is the right to sing of your belief in the way of your choice;
Christmas is all the things that free men fight for. others; fight for.

I am thankful for each student and faculty member this Christmas season and wish for all the most peaceful, joyful, and memorable Christmas ever.

Bull C. Bardrick

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## Seventh Grade Student Council Members Elected

The following students have been elected to the student council as representatives: Clay Funderburg, Clay Roper, Becky Candle, Tiffany Baker, Paul Roper, Jo Beth Sargent, Nicole Farris, Talicia Lee, Jennifer Hickey, Jennifer Hindman, Roberta Mayes, and Mandy Shank.

The alternates are Bob Newell and Barbara Arnold.

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HRISTMAS... no better time to leave all the worries behind and be with your family and friends. Also, Christmas is waking up to the warmth of the fireplace, and opening the gifts on the frosty-cold morning that happens only once a year.

At this spectacular time of year, you wish all controversy, all wars and arms talks would just stop -just like that- and this world would become one perfect place. A place where every type of person, race, and ethnic group would get along just for once. Unfortunatly, our world, our place in life, is not perfect. We pray our world will become what we want it to be.

Many of you at your young age still must have wished this at one time or another. You don't want to see a nuclear war come about because we don't know how to stop the nuclear arms race. Or you think of the many Americans taken hostage by terrorists groups while traveling abroad. All of us don't want to see this happen. These things combined are making our world what it is today.

So as Christmas draws near, remember, before eating your Christmas dinner, take a minute to say a little prayer...LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH.

-By Robert Heyman



## Why Can't We Be FRIENDS?

By Earl Green

My question to the world is: Why can the United States and the Soviet Union not be friends?

Of course, we all know about the arms race. We find a new technique or more weapons, and they do the same thing, and the other way around. But now we're on the edge of a very dangerous stalemate and both sides are ready for attack.

At this stage, EVERYBODY needs to be involved. Just think...the United States' great resources added to the resources of the Soviet Union might be able to end hunger in several areas of the world. All that keeps this from happening is two buttons on opposite sides of the world.

What would happen if we just leave the buttons alone instead of keeping trigger-happy fingers on them?

could it happen? With our unstable situation, we could be in an eternal stalemate.
Please, world leaders! Consider...
unity or uneasiness?

## Closed Campus Case Is

by Patti Wright

What do track and closed campus have in common? Well, right now in the walking distance from Northside to the "fast food" places, it is not a matter of the DISTANCE; instead, we only have half an hour to walk to the "fast food" places to eat, with extra time to get back to class. I interviewed five adults, and here ame some of their responses on closed campus. campus...

Mrs. O' Neal, office secretary: "I think it is a good idea, but I think seniors deserve more privilege."

Mrs. Fowler, office secretary: I think it is okay, but I also think that the seniors need more privilege."

Mrs. Berdan, office secretary: "I think it is ridiculous! I think that the decision is between the student and the parent, and the school board is pushing all the responsibility on the school."

Mr. Hatchett, vice principal: "I think it is going to be hard to enforce the discipline for the people who leave, but I think it will turn out okay."

Mr.Bardrick, principal: "In theory, I am in favor of it. Practically, I don't see how they are going to keep it enforced. They do not have the room!

## RUNAWAY!

by Earl Green

Have you ever thought of running away from home? It's a problem that plagues many teenagers after an argument with a parent or family problems, or other reasons.

If you are thinking about running away
from home, think twice. You're not helping
yourself, and you are hurting your
relatives. Try to talk to someone you can
trust about your problem.
Remember...the solution to your
problem is not outside the front door.

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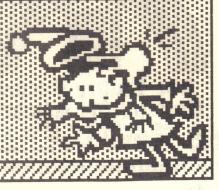
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## Features





Bill is now wide awake and and fairly

sound.

"Jim, I know what's been going on at the cemetery! Let's get to my car."

Jim doesn't reply in any way as Bill reaches the door. "Are you coming, Jim?"

"Oh yeah, sure. Let's go. I just hope your car is still at the location you say it is."

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As Bill and Jim leave, the phone rings.

"It's your wife," says Jim.

"Leave it. Let's go, Jim."

Bill gets in Jim's car before he does, and Jim hesitates to step in. "We're going to put this stuff straight and get this nonsense cleared up."

The car glides smoothly under Jim's control, until, near the cemetary, a noise distracts him. He looks behind him, and suddenly, Bill grabs the wheel, screaming "Look out, Jim!" The car screeches off the road, into the ditch.

Jim and Bill seem to be dead...and then they open the doors and step out!

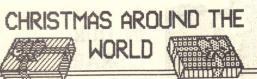
The cemetary set lights up, as Jerry Wombat Film Corporation finally completes its production of "The Case of the Willow Creek Devil" starring Joe Edwards and Milton Wherfingmyre.

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From left to right: Stacy Cowens, Laura Garrett, Kim Brown, Talina Barrow, and Carrie Wooden from Mr. Davis' speech class read a poem at Oaks Lodge on Nov. 22.



### BY BILLY COOKSEY

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CHRISTMAS, a time for Christmas trees, gifts, laughter, and joy. While you are eating that big dinner Mom has prepared, have you ever wondered what other kids around the world are doing? While you are cutting a hefty piece of turkey, some little boy or girl in Mexico may be hitting a large candy-filled papier mache doll more commonly called a prinata. In Mexico Christmas is more of a religious holiday than a holiday with elves, reindeer, and sleighs. Children expect the three wise men to bring their presents. Children perform Bible plays or do pantomimes. After the games are finished they will all sit down to a large potluck get-together and pass out gifts.

Japanese Christmas, for most Japanese, is just another working day. For Christians, the holiday is special. Japanese Christmas does not center around the family as is the case in the United States. On Christmas, Christians try to do something good for the elderly, especially in hospitals. The best students of the Sunday Schools are chosen to do Bible plays and pantomimes.

Christmas in Thalland is different from Christmas in the U.S. Thailand's Christmas, like the Japanese, does not center around the family, instead people go to church. The whole season lasts about a week. At the end of the season people gather at a large meeting in their designated areas for a large feast.

After you've stuffed a large portion of baked ham in your mouth, can you think about living in Vietnam and watching a pig being roasted on a large bond fire, knowing that the pig will soon be ravenously eaten at a big feast?

Meanwhile, all over Europe little children are waking up and finding the marvelous gifts Saint Nick has left them.

So after you finish the big dinner and are looking forward to playing with the new "trinkets" stashed away under the family tree, try to think about the things other kids your age are doing this Christmas Eve... Oh, and MERRY CHRISTMAS.

The Raider Record Recognition Reward

goes to COACH McCASKILL For all your help....the Raider staff wants to say THANKS! (Now YOU'VE won something!)

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## IN OUR LIBRARY

BY DEON STARKS

Mrs. Judith Harris loves being a librarian. This is her fourth year here at Kimmons. She got her chance to be a librarian by working in the library at her college. She later received a minor in Library Science. She learned to be a librarian by experience and by taking classes.

Mrs. Harris said that there are 300 new books in the library this year. There are a total of 6000 books in the library. The library gets a new assortment of books each year. Mrs. Harris commented that she loves books. Well, so do I. Everyone should read more. I hear some people say that kids graduate from school and can't even read. Even in some fast food places, like McDonalds or Burger King, there are pictures on the cash registers. There are pictures for fries, cheese burgers, and other foods to help workers identify selections. Unbelievable isn't it?



Dear DORA Here are the answers to some commonly asked questions...

Dear Dora,
I have a slight problem with a teacher that helps teach here at Kimmons. I'm too shy to say anything, and I get jitters when I think about him. You can probably guess I have a crush on him! Is it puppy love? What should I do about it? How or what should I say to him? Although I relish the class he teaches, do you think I should take study hall or something else to get out of that particular class?

Eager to Know

Dear Eager to Know,

Running won't help! Accept what you feel as quite normal, but know that any interest he might show in you is strictly a teacher-student relationship. It will help if you will channel your interest to a boy your own age. You will soon forget the "dream crush" you have about your teacher. Dora

If you have a problem or question why not ask Dora? Drop your letter or question by the guidance office or by room D103.



Temana Belcher and Vickie Mays, with Mr Stout and Jeannie Fleming in background. with Mr.

Mmmmm...BY PATTI WRIGHT

Mmmmm...does that
smell good! I can just
smell that turkey roasting now!
Mrs. Harrell, the new Home Economics
teacher, and her third and fourth hour
classes gave a Thanksgiving Dinner on
Friday, November 22, for Mr. Bardrick, Mr.
Hatchett, Mrs. McGowan, Coach Mason, and
Mr. Stout.
They served roast turkey with core

Mr. Stout.

They served roast turkey with corn bread, dressing, cranberry sauce, giblet gravy, green Caesar, cauliflower with cheese sauce, Heavenly Ambrosia, croissants, butter, iced tea, sweet potato pie and pecan pie. pie, and pecan pie.

The students prepared the meal.

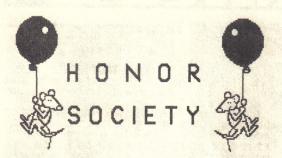
## FEER HERE

Mrs. Locke, I love you and I'm proud to be your daughter. You're the best. -Leslie Reese

Sharon and Andy, best friends forever

Mrs. Teague - Thank you for your help. The Raider Staff Mrs. Haines

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Want a balloon for Valentines Day? How about joining in a canned food drive? Get ready— this year's Honor Society members are making these and other events possible to students at Kimmons. These events were discussed in an Honor Society meeting held in the library on November 7. Mrs. Riley and Mrs. Woodward gave each honor student a schedule which listed the upcoming events:

Canned food drive.... December 3-6 Spirit Week..... February 10-14 Balloon Sale..... February 14

There will be another Honor Society meeting on December 5.

Have A Good Year!!!

"He who neglects learning in his youth loses the past and is dead for the future." Euripides

### $\Diamond\Diamond\Diamond\Diamond\Diamond\Diamond\Diamond\Diamond$ SPANISH CLUB TRIP

BY KERA PHILLIPS

"Oh, what a relief!" Were the first words of Mrs. Karen Williamson as she returned from her all day Spanish Club trip Nov. 16.

Mrs. Williamson and her Spanish Club members visited Casa Bonita, where they enjoyed their lunches, and later went shopping in the Woodland Hills Mall. While at the mall, many of the students bought balloons and inhaled the helium from them. Everyone thought that was the funniest experience on the trip. Mrs. Williamson summed it. all up by saying she really enjoyed the trip and it was the best trip she's been on.

she's been on.

## PTA Membership Drive

In the PTA membership drive Mr. Vick's class came in first place with a total enrollment of 375%. The office came in second with 200%, and Mr. Stout's class with 122%, in third place. There are five other classes with 100% enrollment. They are: Cadelli, J. Davis, Haines, M. Thompson and Williams. Congratulations!

According to principal Bill Bardrick, 60% of the parents of Kimmons' students came to the Open House held Nov. 11. The purpose of this program was to give the parents a greater opportunity to see how their child was progressing and a more formal time to talk to their teachers.

Comet Gazing by Earl Green



Some people have had little or no success in spotting Halley's Comet, which I tried to help them with in the last issue. Never fear, here's a few more tips on how to find this year's big celestial object.

The comet should now be in the east-northeastern skies, still a VERY dim star-like object near the star cluster known as the "Plieades." The comet is just barely visible with a good telescope, practically invisible with binoculars, and—well, it's out of the question trying to see it with the naked eye!!!

So, if you tried and got discouraged, try again. For those of you with telescopes, use the highest powered lens you have, because you'll need it.

Computer Corner

Do you have a computer, or are you interested in getting one? Do you want to talk to people with the same computer or different ones? The thrill of computer communications is great, and here are some ways to get involved:

1. Join a users group! This is a very important step. Get to know other people, because they are most likely to be able to help/you.

2. Call up one of the numerous "computer bulletin boards" with a special device called a MODEM. The MODEM lets you connect your

device called a MODEM. The MODEM lets you connect your computer up to another MODEM and computer, so you can talk to other people. These are common in our area. Here are the numbers. The Apple Club owns a C.B.B. and it is called "PMS" (Public Message System). Call 646-5828 with your modem 24 hours a day. The Commodore Club runs one as well. Call 785-1257 with a modem 24 hours a day.





## Coach Mason at practice. 9th Grade Boys' BASKETBALL

"They work hard and their practices are going good." That is what Coach John Mason said about the ninth grade boys' basketball team.

The team has 13 players, three of which are returning lettermen. They are Jay Richardson, Warren Clements, and Eric Burnett.

Burnett.
The first game of the season starts with an opener between the Reds and

with an opener between the Reds and Muskogee West High. The team plays 17 regular season games, and also competes in two

tournaments.

When asked how he thinks the team will do, Coach Mason commented, "We're real optimistic, we think we will have a team as good as anybody else around before the season is over."

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Dear Santa

" | want:"

Ben Loggins Fred Releford

a new motorcycle clothes

Emily Satterfield Donny Douglas

swatch, clothes a girlfriend

Chris Wright Savannaa Williamson

a woman Iron Maiden to come to my house

Ava Miller Coach McCaskill anything I can get a new UCR

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## RAIDER "TROTTERS"

by Ty Smith

LOOK OUT HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS... HERE COME THE KIMMONS RAIDERS...and here is just one of our returning lettermen, Jay

COME THE KIMMONS RAIDERS...and here is just one of our returning lettermen, Jay Richardson.

Richardson has played four years for the Boys' Club and three years here at Kimmons. He thinks he'll be a strong guard. Richardson also has a few things to say about his coach, "Coach Mason is a very experienced coach. He has won five border conferences."

Richardson thinks that with returning lettermen Warren Clements and Eric Burnett, along with Eugene Williams and Waldo Sanders keeping the middle in good shape, the Raiders will have a very good year.

year.



## Jay Richardson, of Raider fame

## Girls' Basketball

The girls' basketball team at Kimmons has 12 players. Coach John Mason said that three of the starters will probably be Tammy Burrow, Melinda Hampton, and Jeanette Ogles. Mason commented that, "Emily Satterfield, Lori Carvens, Tonia Eubanks and Andrea O'Neal will probably show quite a bit of action."

----December Game Schedule----9 Ramsey 12 Fayetteville 16 Van Buren 19 Chaffin Dec. 9 Dec. 12 Dec. 16 Dec. 19