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THANKSGIVING

Americans have been celebrating Thanksgiving since 1621, when the Pilgrims first feasted with the Indians. Over 300 years later we're still celebrating Thanksgiving with the well known feast of turkey, ham, pumpkin pie, and all of the trimmings.

Thanksgiving is a time for the family to come together. It's a time to appreciate family members and the American life style. We all tend to take one another for granted and work to have more material possessions and a more desirable lifestyle.

Thanksgiving is when we should stop and appreciate those whom we love and consider just how fortunate we all are.

A day to be thankful for what we

have—that's what Thanksgiving is all about. We can appreciate health, food, clothing, family, friends, and American freedom!

So, this Thanksgiving stop and think about your blessings.

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NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS

On Monday, October 20, the National Junior Honor Society held a banquet inducting 19 new members at The Wyatt Cafeteria in Central Mall.

Mrs. Riley, sponsor, commented that the induction banquet was a beautiful ceremony and was absolutely what she expected it to be. The purpose of the N.J.H.S. is to promote the five ideas of scholarship, citizenship, service, leadership, and character.

The new members are—Ninth Grade: Lana Hardt and Andrea O'Neal. Eighth Grade: Michael Beck, Katrina Bowen, Becky Caudle, Rathdavone Chokhengboun, Melissa Coleman, Sally Grose, Brent Hall, Stephanie Howard, Talicia Lee, Roberta Mayes, Bob Newell, Jeanna Noess, Terri Oswald, Joseph Pullen, Eric Simpson, Coung Ia, and Lee Vincent.

Along with the 19 new members and 15 old members, there were over 100 parents, teachers, and spectators including school superintendent Dr. Benny Goodwin and his wife.

**Congratulations
members!**

PARTNERS IN CHRIST

"This year is going to be great!" were the words of Ms. Stephanie Gean, sponsor for Partners in Christ at Kimmons. She has been a sponsor for the club for several years.

Other teachers who occasionally help with the club are Mrs. Haines, Mr. Adams, Ms. Farrar and Ms. Rosson. The president of Partners in Christ is Chris Caudle.

According to Ms. Gean, the purpose of the club is to help students realize personal goals in their lives as Christians.

This year, the club plans to attend a concert, a Christmas party and plan to have a car wash for a fund raiser again in the spring.

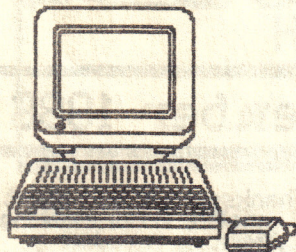
"Our routine when opening the meetings is to discuss upcoming events, to talk about our past meeting, and then we usually have a speaker", says Ms. Gean. She also says that the size of the membership has been changing from year to year. Last year was the biggest ever with over 40 attending their activities, and 30 coming to their meetings.

Ms. Gean mentioned that anyone is welcome at any time during the year.

THE BECOMING AGE OF COMPUTERS

By Michael Beck

The year is 1995 and you have just been fired because you did not know how to use a computer. You are



sitting down thinking back to your school days when you had a free chance to learn about them.

That's the way many people are going to be if they don't learn to use computers--

maybe even worse off. Maybe their own homes or cars will be completely computerized. Scientists have started designing computerized houses. Auto corporations have already started producing computerized automobiles.

You may think computers are too complicated or too intelligent for you, but actually they're not. After all computers are only as smart as the programmer. Once you learn to use them, they can be helpful and fun.

We will be the adults of 1995. If we do not know how to use computers, then we might be like the illiterates of today, but if we do learn about computers now, then we probably won't have to worry about this ever happening.

WHAT'S GOING ON IN OUR OZONE LAYER

You know that they've been warning you for ages! And now it's going to be reality - the atmosphere is being torn up by all these nifty chemicals we pump into it.

The substance in question is ozone, and we're losing ozone. The culprit is polyurethane - that stuff they put a quarter pounder in; it breaks ozone down little by little.

Noted scientist and science fiction writer Issac Asimov states that it would be "several years" before the ozone content in the atmosphere is lowered seriously enough to affect the world.

If the ozone "caps" are worn down too much, the effects could be global disaster. The ozone layer of Earth's atmosphere shields the surface of the planet from heat and radiation from space and the sun. The heat resulting from the ozone loss could cause a world-wide temperature rise. Glaciers and the ice at the poles could melt and cause the global water to rise.

This could be just a warning; on the other hand, this could be the big "it".

Nothing so needs reforming as other people's habits.

Mark Twain

THE WAY I SEE IT!!

Has America backed down on its founding principles? Actually, it's not a national problem, the way you conduct yourself is your responsibility. You are responsible for your actions. Your future depends on the foundation you build right now! The way you discipline yourself shapes your ethical, moral, and religious values.

When you make a good decision, by yourself, that's good, and when you have the courage to stand up for what you believe in, that's heroic!

The age of personal weakness must end. Due to high technology and Communist advances, the future of the free world depends on people mature enough to stand up for their moral and ethical values.

No one should belittle themselves enough to say that, "What I do doesn't matter, because no one cares," or "I'll never be a leader of the country." You have no idea what you may become, so get ready now. Do you think Albert Einstein thought he would play an important role in World War II?

You may be wondering what moral and ethical values are. Moral values are things you cherish and regard as the cornerstones of your personality and self-discipline. Ethical values are your philosophy or belief in what is right and wrong.

You also may wonder how you may begin building values. Religion is a key factor. Many religions offer good character building foundations. Many other groups can help: Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, National Junior Honor Society, Junior Optimist, Reserve Officer's Training Corps., and church youth groups are just a few.

Now it's up to you. This is where you can glorify yourself or destroy your reputation. It's your choice.

Remember, "NO GUTS...NO GLORY!"

By Joseph Pullen

"A candle loses nothing of its light by lighting another candle."

-Benjamin Franklin

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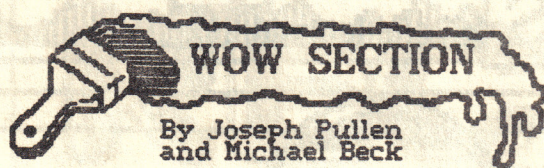
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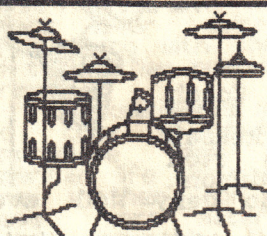
By Joseph Pullen
and Michael Beck

72,459,000,000 lbs. of milk were consumed last year.

Your body has 60,000 miles of blood vessels.

The stoutest baby ever weighed was 112 pounds at 13 months.

71 football fields of pizza were eaten last year.



MUSICAL OPINION POLL

BY MARIA
HERNANDEZ

We asked students to pick their favorite song from the following categories:

1. All Cried Out- By Lisa Lisa
2. Rumors- By Timex Social Club
3. Earth Angel- By New Edition
4. Heaven in Your Eyes- Loverboy

The most liked were:

1. Earth Angel- 50%
2. Heaven in Your Eyes- 40%
3. All Cried Out- 30%
4. Rumors- 25%

"What are your comments on these songs?"

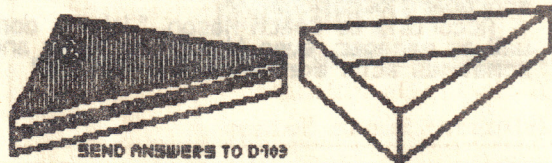
Alicia Speer- "Heaven in Your Eyes" makes me think of my boyfriend.

Tonna Carter- I like "Earth Angel by New Edition" because it's a nice song and it has a good beat to it.

Tonya Moss- "Earth Angel by New Edition" has a good beat to dance to and a nice rythm.

ROBERT HEYMAN'S BRAIN BOGGLERS

Imagine a triangular cake made in the mirror image of the box meant to hold it. Assume that the box can't be placed upside-down around the cake because it might damage the icing. How can the cake be divided using only two straight cuts into three pieces that will fit in the box?



New Secretary

If you haven't noticed, we have a new member on the Kimmons Junior High staff. Mrs Kathy Chilino, a former student at Kimmons, is our new secretary.

Mrs Chilino says she always wanted to work in the school system, but when she went to school here, she never thought she'd return as the school secretary. Before coming to work at Kimmons, Mrs Chilino worked at the Fort Smith Service Center. When asked how she liked working at Kimmons she said she liked it a lot.

Another fun thing, she said was working with the old teachers. She remembers a lot of her old teachers such as Mrs Baker, Mr. Davis, Mr. Vick, and Mrs Sellers. Yes, she even remembers Mr. Bardrick.

Mrs Chilino was also a Kimmons cheerleader. She goes to all the games, and says the cheerleaders now don't do any of the same cheers she did, but they do more stunts. Like the school, she likes the cheerleaders and thinks they do a great job.

Listen up

"The Raider Record" is now accepting letters to the editor. If you have any thing to say or want to request drop it by the Journalism Department in D-103.

BRACES

By Jennifer Threadgill

"Braces". Yes, it's an awful word, but many people today have to experience them for about two years of their life. Not only do they hurt, most people feel that they make them look bad also! Well, thanks to modern technology, orthodontists have made the wearing of braces more "convenient". They have made braces that are smaller and ones that don't make your mouth as sore as braces that are on the back side of your teeth.

Mini-braces are one of the new kinds braces that are available. This type is four times as small as regular braces, but are more costly than the regular ones. They also have a spring clip on them that reduces soreness.

Another kind is plastic or resin. Although they are larger than the mini-braces, they are very close to the color of your teeth. They aren't recommended to smokers or coffee drinkers since they stain so easily. They are hard to keep clean.

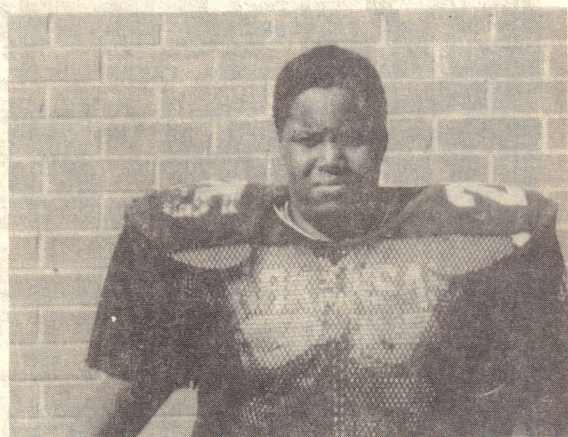
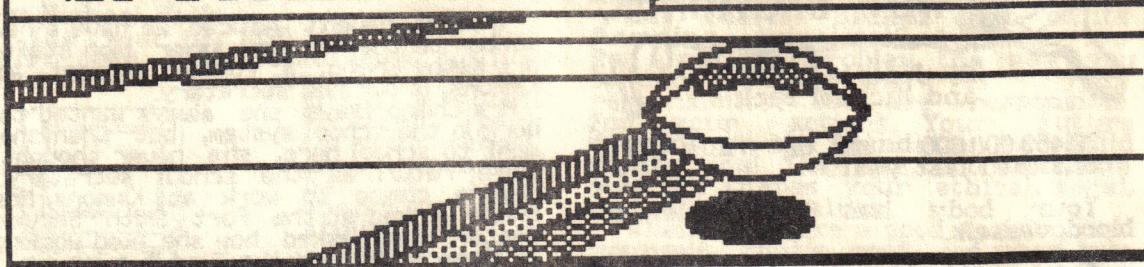
"Invisible" braces go on the back side of your teeth, so they aren't seen at all.

If you're just a little upset about the fact that somebody younger than you can get braces that you can't even see, just remember you'll get yours off sooner, and you won't have to worry about it for much longer. If you're about to get braces and have all these choices, well, you lucked out.

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SPORT'S SPOTLIGHT

By Michelle Tally

Number 58?! Sure, everyone knows who that is! It's Gregory Smith, the Kimmons Raiders' nose guard. This is his third year playing for Kimmons. He has also played as a "rinky dink" at the Boys' Club.

Before every game he thinks about what has to be done and how he's going to do it. Smith says that he gets excitement, fun, and exercise out of football.

So far the Raiders have entered a disappointing year, but we wish them the best of luck on the upcoming games.

Volleyball Tournament

This year's District Volleyball Tournament was a success over Darby.

Coach Shirley Williamson says, "The team played Darby and won with the score of 15 to 13 in the first game, and 15 to 2 in the second game." The team also played Ramsey in the semi-finals, but was defeated with the score 10 to 15 in the first set, and 5 to 15 in the second set. Coach Williamson says, "There were two great plays from Jo Beth Sargent and Karen Davis. They scored many of the points on their own ability to serve the ball over head, which is a most effective serve in volleyball," also Coach Williamson added "Patrice Gray is as good a cheerleader on the volleyball court as off the court."

BASKETBALL PREVIEW!!



According to Coach John Mason, the Kimmons Basketball team has "a rich basketball tradition". That is, they do very well every year.

Coach Mason said this year's team plans to keep the tradition alive. They plan to win the Coke Classic Tournament and be Border Conference champions. Coach Mason says the team to beat this year is Ramsey.

KIMMONS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Boys

NOV. 20	GREENWOOD	AWAY
DEC. 2	MUSKOGEE, AR.	HOME
DEC. 4	FAY, WOODLAND	HOME
DEC. 9	MUSKOGEE WEST	AWAY
DEC. 11	FAY, RAMAY	HOME
DEC. 15	VAN BUREN	AWAY
DEC. 18	CHAFFIN	HOME

Girls

NOV. 20	GREENWOOD	AWAY
NOV. 25	I.C.	AWAY

SPOTLIGHT John Mankin

Question: Who is always busy but isn't revered in the same halls of fame as his fellow athletes?

Answer: John Mankin, Kimmons' football manager.

John said "A manager does a lot of things; he carries out the football equipment for practice, repairs and sometimes rebuilds helmets and pads, wraps ankles and feet and tends injuries, does a LOT of laundry, orders the food on out of town trips, and gets to run the scoreboard occasionally."

According to Coach Mason, "John's done well as manager, even though he looks and sometimes acts like Dennis the Menace."