

the raider RECORD

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STUDENTS PERFORM IN TALENT SHOW

By Robert Heyman

On Thursday April 30, the Kimmons Junior High Raider Revue Talent Show went into full swing, echoing from many as a major success.

The show, which was directed by speech and English teacher Jerry B. Davis, was composed of various seventh, eighth, and ninth grade students and featured a variety of performances. Such performances fell into the categories of singing, dancing, lip-syncing, storytelling, and acting, including a variety of band numbers performed between certain acts.



Some of the students that performed in the talent show included seventh grader Gabby Garner singing Whitney Huston's "Greatest Love of All", ninth graders Robert Heyman and Earl Green acting in a scene from "Inherit the Wind", ninth graders Anthony Branham and Brian Hall also acting-this one in a scene from "No Time for Sergeants", and our own Susan Haines and Jay Neiderbrach singing the song "Somewhere."

According to a number of student comments, the show was fantastic and its participants did a wonderful job.

All money raised from the show will go to the English Department, Speech Department, and any show expenses.

Students Elect Officers

The new president of the Kimmons Student Council is Michel Ta. Vice-president is Joseph Pullen. On April 24 Kimmons students elected the new president and vice-president of the Student Council. In order to promote their campaigns, the candidates put up posters, made announcements over the intercom, and passed out flyers. Speeches were made by each of the candidates in a seventh grade and eighth grade assembly.

Each candidate had to have at least a 2.5 grade point average and good citizenship certified by teachers.

GATE Hosts Exposition

On Friday April 24, Kimmons GATE students hosted an exposition of different projects made by GATE students from all four junior highs in Fort Smith, which included Ramsey, Chaffin, Darby and Kimmons.

The instructions that were given to the students were to do independent research of a topic choice, write a research paper, and complete a project relevant to their topic.

The purpose of the expo. was to display the completed projects and research papers. When asked if it was a success, GATE teacher Mrs. Betty Sauer said, "Yes, we recieved many favorable comments."

Opinions

To the Average Student

On June 1-2, we will have our Honors and Athletics Assemblies, where individuals will be singled out for different awards. It is appropriate to recognize these students for their achievements. However, each Kimmons student is outstanding in some area. It is unfortunate that often we never know the truly outstanding events in which they participate.

In American society we have heroes held up as examples for us. Most think that heroes are really special, but in reality most people act without thinking in a dangerous situation and become a hero unexpectedly. But I submit that the really outstanding individual, the real hero, is the one who drags himself out of bed each and every day to go to school, does his work, is very seldom late to class, minds his own business, and is courteous and polite. This type of student can be counted on to do what is right, fulfill his obligations, and grow up to lead a productive life. Often he is referred to as average.

If you stop and consider it, we have many students that fit the above category. Even though most will not receive an award in the assembly programs, I do want to recognize these "average" students, because deep down they are the backbone of Kimmons. For your consistently good behavior and dependability, I honor you. You are as deserving of an award as any recipient on June 1-2. Stand up, pat yourself on the back, and take a bow.

Bill Bardrick, Principal

Thunder is good. Thunder is impressive. But it is lightning that does the work.

-Mark Twain

THE KIMMONS JR. HIGH FRESHMAN OPINIONS

By Adrienne Hill

HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT
LEAVING KIMMONS JUNIOR
HIGH?



Lasha Simpson- "I'm scared in a way and glad in a way."

Melody Manager- "I'm glad to be leaving Kimmons, but sad because I'll be leaving all my friends."

Angie Howard- "I don't want to leave because I'll have to learn my way around a new school again."

Andrea O' Neal- "I'm glad I'm finally getting out of Kimmons, but I'll miss some of my teachers especially Coach Mason and Coach Rel."

Jacque Hudson- "I've had a lot of fun, but I'm going to enjoy high school much more."

Earl Green- "I'm glad that so many of my friends will be going to Northside with me."

Patrece May- "I'll be glad but I will miss Coach Mason and Rel."

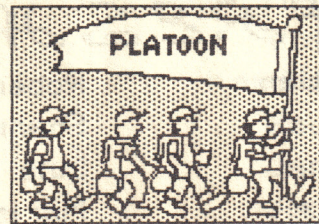
Robert Heyman- "It kind of seems odd to be leaving...three years feels like a lifetime."

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=== A MOVIE REVIEW ===



by Joseph Pullen

"Platoon," starring Tom Berenger, is possibly one of the most informative movies about Vietnam ever made. The movie is about a platoon of soldiers on a tour of duty in Vietnam during the Vietnam War.

There's no fancy plot, no heroes, and no enjoyment in this movie. It's not the kind of movie you would take your girlfriend to see (after all, it has an "R" rating).

The story is simple: the life of the Armed Forces in "Nam". Realism is at its peak - most squeamish people left early.

The frustration of soldiers who weren't allowed the chance to fight back, turned the hearts of the men so that they began killing their own soldiers.

Children were raped and their heads were smashed in. Americans at their finest, right? WRONG! This gave America a terrible reputation and made us look like we were to blame for it all.

A friend told me that I'd either come away mad or depressed. I was mad. I don't want a reputation as a child beater or a town burner.

I would recommend this movie for anyone who is interested in going into the service.

Congratulations to those of you who were able to grasp the meaning in this movie.

The actors, directors, and crew did a top-notch job with "Platoon". The special effects were great.

Carefully consider seeing this movie, but beware; the truth may hurt.

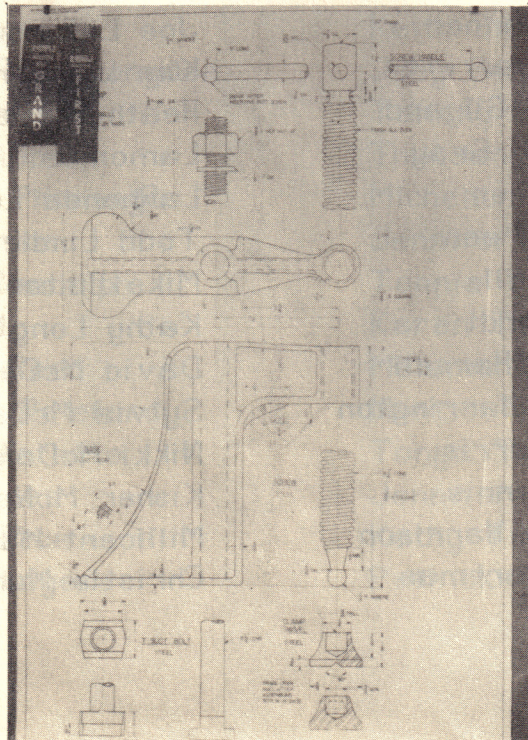
VOICES

By Jennifer Threadgill

Do you ever turn around and look behind you when someone yells "Hey, stupid"? Are the words "I can't" turning up in conversation a lot lately, or are you really shocked when you do something right? If you answered yes to any one of these questions, then you may be too hard on yourself.

Psychologists say that we all have inner voices inside us that talk about our daily activities and behaviors. These voices can either make us feel good about ourself or "slap us in the face." Luckily, we can control our "little voices" so that they'll give us the positive support we need. Here are three steps to help in doing that: (1) Think about all the negative things you say about yourself during the day. Sometimes you might not realize how bad you put yourself down or insult yourself. (2) Change negative thoughts into positive ones. For example, if you're shy, instead of saying things such as "I'm so boring", and "no one likes me" say to yourself "I can talk easily and comfortably to people" and "I have lots of friends". Even if some of the statements you put in your mind aren't true, your subconscious mind will pick it up, and soon you'll believe it. (3) Don't focus on your mistakes and failures. When you start to put yourself down, stop and start focusing on your accomplishments and good qualities. Don't expect to change over night. It may take a while to "reprogram" your thoughts.

We all want people to respect us and look up to us, but remember, before that will happen you have to learn to respect yourself!



Pictured at left, Scott Newell's Grand Prize drawing (see related story on page 7)

FAREWELL, FRESHMEN!

Sharon Armstrong	Jimmy Christian	Robert Hayes
Julie Baker	Cindy Cole	Shannon Henson
Teresa Baker	Kim Cole	Luis Hernandez
Medgar Baldwin	Robert Collins	Maria Hernandez
Wally Barlow	John Couch	Robert Heyman
Ernie Batey	Joe Covin	Kristi House
Stephanie Bearden	Stacy Cowens	Dennnis Houston
John Becker	Gene Crouch	Angie Howard
Jennifer Beckman	Becky Crowden	Hoang Hua
Lacei Behrendt	Darius Cummings	Timothy Hua
Chere Belcher	Lorri Daniels	Jacque Hudson
Phillip Bessent	Kim Davidson	Steve Hulsey
Jeff Bieker	Karen Davis	Stacey Irish
Randy Black	Loretta Dotson	Leslie James
Robin Bolton	Robert Duncan	Andrew Jeffcoat
Freddy Boyd	Kevin Dye	Kelli Jennings
Eddie Brackett	Thomas Edge	Mike Jones
Doug Bradt	Stacy Esaw	Joanie Keck
George Branson	Tonjia Eubanks	David Keenom
Anthony Branham	Sharon Ferguson	William Kendrick
Juanita Brasher	Carrie Finney	Eugene Kersh
John Brehmer	Brighetta Flynn	Ahmad Khaliq
Shawn Brisco	Deedee Freeman	Chris Kirk
DeWayne Britt	Shane Fuller	Melanie Kirkpatrick
Dorothy Britt	Betty Garner	Joe Lairamore
Anissia Brown	Laura Garrett	Kim Lawrence
Billy Brown	Katrina Gilyard	Heather Lee
Kim Brown	Patriece Gray	Lamonica Lee
Michael Burns	Earl Green	LaRhonda Lewis
Debbie Cameron	Larry Green	Todd Lindley
Akua Carter	Brian Hall	Mike Linton
Antonnia Carter	Lana Hardt	Kathy Long
Chris Carter	Patrick Harrell	David McCain
Chris Caudle	Michael Harrington	Sylvia McDade
James Chaney	Brian Harris	Nikki McDaniel
Duane Chappell	Chris Harris	Kisher McNeely
Leon Cheeks	Nicholas Harrison	Millicent Madison
Dalaphone Chokbengboun	Renee Hartman	Christie Mahar

Melody Manager
John Mankin
Dawn Marr
Maria Martinez
Patrece May
Brett Metheny
Marcy Metheny
Billy Miller
Christa Minton
Tammie Moore
Tonya Moss
Lori Murchison
Starr Murchison
David Myers
Esther Nastally
Scott Newell
Tarus Newton
Dzung Nguyen
Aaron Nickson
Scott Novick
Michelle Obana
Andre O'Neal
Andrea O'Neal
Lien Dunpraseuth
Christy Overly
Aquilla Owens
Joe Owens
Snegkeo Phanphengdee
Ty Phetnavong
Scott Phillips
Niramomh Phonseya
Rodney Price
Michelle Randolph
Billy Reed
Elizabeth Reed
Stephanie Releford
Chris Rettstatte
Scott Rhodes
Larry C. Rice
Tammy Rodgers

Melissa Savage
Virapol Sengamonvong
Kanchana Seuasingnouane
Paul Sexton
Jamie Sharp
Jennifer Shaw
Jerry Shelton
Paula Shelton
Priscilla Shelton
Michael Shores
Anthony Simpson
LaSha Simpson
Troy Sisk
Greg Smith
Anne Soehlman
Phetroun Soukaserm
Vanpheng Soukaserm
Aphay Souriyadeth
Laura South
Chris Spaunhurst
Alicia Speer
Deon Starks
Jim Stem
Robert Stephens
Chris Stevens
Calvin Steward
Keith Stewart
Joey Swad
Tammy Swilley
Thatsany Sysombath
Michelle Talley
Jennifer Taylor
Tonnia Terry
Karen Thompson
Melanie Thompson
Montie Thompson
Tonya Thompson
Jennifer Threadgill
Kathy Tindall
Patrick Torrey

Eddie Tye
David Tyson
Amphorn Vongsiri
Brett Waldon
Matthew Weir
Gerald Wells
Karen Whitmore
Gregg Williams
Alona Willis
Ted Wise
Danielle Wood
Carrie Wooden
Collin Woodrow
Kay Wright
William Wright
William Wycough
Supha Xayprasith



Play It Again Sam...

Since people tend to forget some of the many accomplishments done by Kimmons students, "The Raider Record" staff decided to do something about it. We thought that we would "play them all again, Sam."

Listed below, in separate categories, are all the awards won by Kimmons students.

ART: Art students painted a school mural.

Art students displayed an exhibit at First National Bank.

Art students entered many different contests and received one second place, one third place, and one honorable mention.

In April of this year, Mrs. Gean won, on an all female relay team, first place in the Fayetteville "Hogeye Marathon," breaking the record.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT:

GIRLS' BASKETBALL: City Champions (22-1)
Coke Classic Champions
AAAA Regional Champions

GIRLS' TRACK: Fort Smith Champions
Ramsey Relay Champions
AAAA Regional Champions
Border Conference

BOYS' FOOTBALL: Fort Smith Champions

BOYS' BASKETBALL: Coke Classic Champions
AAAA Regional Runner-Up

BOYS' TRACK: Fort Smith Champions
Darby Relays Champions
Fort Smith Champions

BAND: 8 students in All-Region Band
33 medals - Solo and Ensemble
14 First divisions
19 Second divisions

CHEERLEADERS: Earned Spirit Stick
1 outstanding ribbon
1 superior ribbon

CHOIR: 6 Students made All-Region Choir
3 Students earned Superior Ratings

DRAFTING: 4 first place ribbons
3 second place ribbons
1 Grand Prize Ribbon

GYMNASTICS: 2 First Places
6 Second Places
15 third places
13 fourth places
16 fifth places

MATH: 2 third places
1 sixth place
1 fifth in group
1 student-39th in state

SPEECH INDIVIDUALS: 3 first place ribbons
12 second place ribbons
4 third place ribbons

SPEECH GROUPS: 1 first place ribbon
8 second place ribbon
1 Outstanding Performance

In addition to these awards, Kimmons

Kimmons Junior High

FRESHMAN



May 15, from 7:30-10:30

Kimmons cafeteria

Sponsored by Student Council

P.T.A. "Mouths-Off"

"A smelly room" and "mouthing-off about the past" are just two of what was commonly experienced at the P.T.A. Open House on Monday April 27.

The open house featured many of Kimmons teachers demonstrating what they do in class. The demonstrations were aimed at our students' parents who attended the P.T.A. that night.

Of the many demonstrations that took place, two were most remembered. They were a puppet show, which was arranged by Mrs. Grant, and an I.P.S. lab demonstration, which was arranged by Mrs. Sellars.

The puppet show entitled "A Friendship Pact and What Came of It", featured three Persian boys who were to become pupils to get a great instructor known as the Imam Mowaffek. It was said that anyone who did so would become rich and famous. The show was taken from the real life stories of the three boys known as Omar, Hasan, and Nizam in the 11th century. The show was performed and organized by Mrs. Grant's sixth period Honors Algebra class.

Along with puppeting about the past, some of Mrs. Sellars' I.P.S. students were "smelling things up" with a variety of lab demonstrations set up for parents to see what students are actually getting themselves into in the course. Many of the labs included working with the melting point of certain substances, measuring data about gases and much more.

speech students performed the first one-act play ever done by junior high students at Westark Community College.

WOODWORKING: 8 first places
1 second place
1 third place

Arkansas Industrial/Technology Fair
results not available at press time.

SPECIAL EDUCATION: 1 city first place
1 second place trophy

These are the statistics available at press time (we may have missed some awards.) This list does not include personal accomplishments made by students in the classroom. GO RAIDERS!

Kimmons Hosts Honor Society Meeting

Every seven years Kimmons is in charge of sponsoring the district Honor Society meeting. Present at this years meeting was over 400 Honor Society members.

For the past months, everything has been centered on the district meeting. Entertainers, skits, and refreshments had to be organized.

The meeting, held on May 6, had a wide variety of entertainment. Some of the entertainment included a choral performance by the Kimmons choir.

The meeting started with two of Kimmons's trumpet players played the Star Spangled Banner.

Each chapter was responsible for performing a skit at the meeting. Most skits reflected what that chapter did during the year.

Career counselors and school workers came and spoke on the importance of a good education. Companies in Fort Smith donated pencils, paper, pens, and stickers. To close the meeting the Kimmons cheerleaders gave a performance. All things considered, what was probably enjoyed the most was getting out of school for the day.

Honor Society elections are next year. If you're interested keep up your grade average and attitude.

THE COMPUTER CORNER

The year 1987 might turn out to be an interesting one for computer technology as the ever-growing process of miniaturizing (?) commences to make way towards the realm of the almost-invisible.

IBM and a number of other companies are trying (and succeeding) to use compact discs as information storage. One software publisher now offers a complete Encyclopaedia Britannica on 3 CDs! (I'm not saying that it is cheap, but it's there.)

Tandy, as always, is making their units smaller and handier. Their newest portable computer can operate for several hours on batteries, has a built-in printer, liquid crystal display screen, word processor, modem, and is the size of a sheet of notebook paper and it's as thick as a book.

Bigger computer manufacturers are also going portable, though with less ease of use. The Apple IIc is available in a portable unit with a poorly visible LCD screen, built-in disk storage system, and a battery with the amazing ability to last a whopping one-and-one-half hours!!!

IBM, Compaq, AT&T, and several other manufacturers are trying to make the IBM portable, but that might be difficult.

As a last note, the computer was ten years old early in April; for a relatively new invention, the personal computer isn't doing too bad.

-- Earl Green

FRESHMEN WHO'S WHO 86-87

BEST ALL AROUND

Patrice Gray Chris Carter

MOST SCHOOL SPIRIT

Karen Whitmore John Mankin

MOST ATHLETIC

Tonjia Eubanks Chris Carter

MOST HUMOROUS

Karen Whitmore Eugene Kersh

FRIENDLIEST

Jennifer Shaw Wally Barlow

BEST DRESSED

Nikki McDaniel Joe Owens

MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED

Stacey Irish Scott Newell

BEST LOOKING

Nikki McDaniel Jeff Bieker

BIGGEST FLIRT

Sharon Ferguson Jeff Bieker

MOST INTELLIGENT

Stacey Irish Chris Caudle

Kimmons Industrial Arts Students Compete...and Win!

Several students from the Kimmons drafting and woodworking classes participated in the Industrial Technology Fair at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. Their entries and their placements are as follows...

Scott Newell	Grand	Drawing
Mike Linton	1st	Bread box
	1st	Bowl
Esther Nastally	1st	Dresser
	1st	Drawing
Chris Caudle	1st	Drawing
Jimmy Christian	1st	Colonial Table
Brighetta Flynn	1st	Plate
Robert Hays	1st	Drawing
Joe Lairamore	1st	Coffee Table
Mark Obana	1st	Drawing
Mike Shores	1st	Bowl
Chere Belcher	2nd	Clock
Akua Carter	2nd	Bread Box
Virapol Sengmanivong	2nd -	Drawing
Matthew Weir	2nd	Drawing
John Brehmer	3rd	Pump Lamp

Congratulations to these members of the Kimmons Junior High Industrial Arts classes!

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SPORTS PAGE

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Lady Raiders Take First

by John Mankin

On May 7 the Kimmons girls' track team won the AAAA West Regional Championship. This makes four out of the last five years that Kimmons has brought home the championship trophy.

Some outstanding performers were Tonjia Eubanks who won the 400 meter dash with a time of 60.2. This time is currently number one in the state. Melanie Kirkpatrick won the 800 meter dash and Katrina Gilyard pointed in the 1600 meter run. Kimmons came in second in the 400 relay and won the 800 and 1600 meter relays. Karen Whitmore, Patrice Gray, Chelle Phillips, Talicia Lee and Koscha Phillips ran on the winning 400 and 800 meter relay teams. Kimmons 1600 meter relay team now holds the number one ranking in the state with a time of 4:17.7. Members of this relay team are Andrea O'Neal, Angie Howard, Karen Whitmore, Patrice May, and Tonjia Eubanks.

Amber Cherry pointed for Kimmons in the shot put and Chelle Phillips did likewise in the long jump.

This track championship follows on the heels of our Regional basketball championship. The Kimmons girls have had an outstanding year.

Congratulations Raiders!

Gymnasts Win Awards

On April 21 the Kimmons gymnastics team went to Southside High School. The eight students attending were Tiffany Baker, Andrea Beckman, Carri Finney, Nicole Holloway, Stephanie Hamilton, Jennifer Hickey, Erica Walton, and Jill Wooden. Coach Jan McMullin said, "Andrea Beckman did well. She placed first on the vault, third on the bars, and fourth all around. Other awards were as follows: Carri Finney, second on the floor; Erica Walton, second on vault and fourth on beam; Stephanie Hamilton, fifth on vault; Nicole Holloway, third on bars; and Jennifer Hickey, fifth on bars.

KIMMONS RUNS TRACK

At the City Championship track meet, the seventh grade boys won their third championship by a margin of 76 to 45 over Darby, Ramsey and Chaffin. This is the first time in the school's history that a seventh grade team has won all three crowns. The seventh grade boys were led by outstanding performances from Derrick Arter, Terry Rankins, Kevin White, and Andrew Mays.

The ninth grade girls also won the City Championship for the second year in a row. Outstanding athletes were Melanie Kirkpatrick, Katrina Gilyard, Tonjia Eubanks and Patrice May.

What's Up

MAY

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JUNE

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ONE LAST LOOK AT THE TALENT SHOW

Mr. Niederbrach "croons a tune."

