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MAJOR DEVELOPMENT

Corps issues decision on lake

> Provisional permit issued Monday, county leaders to meet with consultant on conditions

Randolph H. Wind Editor & Publisher

Monday, May 10, 2010, will certainly go down as a red letter day in the long history of Grady County's Tired Creek lake project.

On Monday, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers issued a "provisional permit" for the creation of a 960-acre fishing lake on Tired Creek and the construction of a 3,000 foot long, 450 foot wide and 65 foot high dam to impound the water.

Until the Georgia Depart-

lands mitigation can com- Tired Creek project. mence.

fore a final permit will be is- early next week with Wm. sion Tuesday.

ment of Natural Resources tions, county officials say it project manager. Environmental Protection appears that many of the Division issues a 401 Water conditions are standard and exact meaning of both the in a process, and I don't process on a project of this Quality Certification, a final are likely included in all pergeneral and special condi-know what it will mean in size. We will just have to go permit will not be issued and mits issued by the Corps, but tions of the permit and disno work on the dam or wet- others are specific to the cussing all of our options. We meet and discuss this with see if the permit is some-

Thomas Craig, the county's

have been told the condi-our consultant and see what thing we can all live with. I'm County officials are not tions are negotiable," County our next step will be." In addition to obtaining certain exactly what the im- Administrator Rusty Move the state's approval of the pact of the various condi-said Tuesday after receiving naud agreed with Chairman Renaud said. 401 certification, the provi- tions are on the project, and an overnighted copy of the Ball that the commission sional permit also includes commissioners will meet provisional permit. Moye needs to quickly huddle with Charles Norton and District seven general conditions Thursday to study the provi- hand delivered copies of the their consultant to gain a 5 Commissioner Bobby and 27 special conditions sional permit and discuss provisional permit to mem- better understanding of the Burns have been involved in the county must agree to be- scheduling a meeting for bers of the county commis- conditions. However, Re- the project the longest of any

After reviewing the condi- Tired Creek consultant and Ball commented, "After so cluded in the document,

long, I am happy to have this "We will be discussing the in hand. This is the first step this is a normal part of the

naud is not concerned so of the current members of Commission Chairman Al many conditions were in-

"From what I understand, just happy to have the provi-Vice Chairman Charles Re-sional permit in our hands,"

District 3 Commissioner

➤ See LAKE, Page A7

ACTION TAKEN TO IMPROVE DRAINAGE

City to construct detention pond on Washington campus

Randolph H. Wind Editor & Publisher

In an attempt to correct flooding and insufficient stormwater drainage at the intersection of 11th St S.W. and 4th Ave. S.W., the city of Cairo is proposing to build a storm water detention pond on the southeast corner of the Washington Middle School campus.

Tuesday night, the Grady County Board of Education voted unanimously to deed the pond site to the city.

Cairo City Manager Chris Addleton says the city has already invested in curbs and gutters below WMS on 4th Ave. S.W. and the city is working up toward the school as part of its focus on storm water issues.

"We want the ability to slow down the storm water. than runs off of the Washington campus and down toward 4th Ave. With this pond, we can slowly release the water and prevent flooding in the area during heavy rain events," Addleton said.

Consulting engineer Stacy Watkins of Watkins &

plan for the pond which will apply for a federal grant adsurrounded by an eight-foot Community Affairs to fihigh fence.

construct the pond with city tractor will be meeting here crews by bringing in dirt and Thursday, and he will be the storm water that will be installed by the city.

hold water for any length of hours, not days," the city lution of the city's support manager said.

night, the city council:

to execute a resolution of know if the grant is approved support for the rehabilita- by late fall. Included in the tion of Windwood Villas rehab job are 52 low-income apartments. Ward Wight, a housing units and one unit maintained, it's worthless." descendant of Byron Wight for the property manager. of Grady County, of Prestwick Development of At- to execute the annual conlanta, appeared before the tract between the city and council to brief councilmen. Autry State Prison for inmate Wight says his firm is looking labor for the next fiscal year to invest \$50,000 to \$60,000 at a cost of \$39,500. The tion Convention in Savanper unit to completely gut amount of the contract is nah. and rehabilitate the apart- unchanged from the current ment complex located on fiscal year and requires a

Associates had developed a Prestwick Development will a detail crew. nance the renovations. Addleton says the city will Wight and the general conwould add points to the proj-In other business Monday ect grading system used by DCA in selecting which proj-➤ Authorized the mayor ects to fund. Wight hopes to

the northeast side of the city. minimum of four inmates on

➤ Authorized the mayor be built on about .79 acres. ministered through the to execute a contract with The detention pond will be Georgia Department of the Southwest Georgia Regional Commission for the development of a Geographic Information System (GIS) of the city's 5,500 tax parcels at a cost of \$5 per building up a berm to detain available to share more parcel or a grand total of specifics with city officials, \$27,500. City Manager Adtime released through piping who are interested in secur- dleton told councilmen that ing as much work as possible information regarding utili-"This pond will never for local subcontractors and ties, fire hydrants, and more businesses. City Manager that are included in other time. We are talking about Addleton noted that a reso- data bases can be lavered over the GIS system to provide city officials with invaluable information. "The key is using it and keeping it maintained," Addleton said. Councilman James H. (Jimmy) Douglas agreed and commented, "If it is not

>Voted to reschedule the >Authorized the mayor June 28 council meeting to Tuesday, June 29, at 6 p.m. to avoid a conflict with councilmen attending the annual Georgia Municipal Associa-



NEW DETENTION POND will be constructed by the city of Cairo on the southeastern corner of the Washington Middle School campus, shown bottom right.

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- ACT I -

	SCENE 1: The Frake Farm – a Tuesday afternoon in late August, 1946 OPENING
	IT MIGHT AS WELL BE SPRING
	SCENE 2: On the Road to Des Moines – Wednesday morning before dawn DRIVING AT NIGHT
	SCENE 3: The Midway at the Hoop-La Booth – later that morning OUR STATE FAIR
	SCENE 4: The Midway at the Temple of Wonder – immediately following THAT'S FOR ME
	SCENE 5: The Beverage Tent – that afternoon MORE THAN JUST A FRIEND
	SCENE 6: Outside the Dairy Pavilion – later that afternoon ISN'T IT KIND OF FUN?
	SCENE 7: The Starlight Dance Meadow – that night YOU NEVER HAD IT SO GOOD
	SCENE 8: Camper's Hill – Thursday morning Reprise: IT MIGHT AS WELL BE SPRING
	SCENE 9: Exhibition Hall – that afternoon
	SCENE 10: A Nearby Hillside – early that night SO FAR
	SCENE 11: The Starlight Dance Meadow – later that night IT'S A GRAND NIGHT FOR SINGING — ACT II —
	SCENE 1: Outside the Livestock Pavilion – Friday afternoon THE MAN I USED TO BE
	SCENE 2: Outside the Dairy Pavilion – early that night Reprise: THE MAN I USED TO BE
	SCENE 3; The Starlight Dance Meadow – immediately following THAT'S THE WAY IT HAPPENS
1	SCENE 4: The Hillside – later that night
-	SCENE 5: Camper's Hill – later that night
	SCENE 6: On the Midway – immediately following THE NEXT TIME IT HAPPENS
(SCENE 7: The Frake Farm – Saturday night after supper

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Pat Orr

CAST OF CHARACTERS

(IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE)

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Ieremy Hankinson

*Jason Brown

Margy Frake - the Frake's daughter Melissa Frake - Abel's wife

Gus - the Frakes' hired man

Abel Frake - a farmer

Wayne Frake - the Frake's son Dave Miller - the local storekeeper

Eleanor - Wayne's girlfriend Harry - Margy's boyfriend

The Fair Announcer

The Hoop-La Barker Emily Arden

The Astounding Stralenko

Vivian - a dancer, singer

Jeanne - a dancer, singer Pat Gilbert - a newspaper reporter

Charlie

- a newspaper photographer

Lem - a farmer Clay - a farmer

Hank Munson - a farmer

The Chief of Police Violet - his daughter

The Fairtones

Judge Heppenstahl Mrs. Edwin Metcalf of Pottsville

*Ferhan Baggett

Shannon Iones Kyle Fusco

Chris Harrell *Leah Harper

*Matt Harrison Krystal Smith

Ricky Lee *Allison Stoddard

Ricky Lee Mallory Stewart

Sarah Zipperer

*Ben Butler

Conrad Harrell *Payne Singletary

* Philip Dyke *Jason Brown

B. I. Johnson Alysha Owens

Brittini Linton, *Amanda Redden * Makaila Steele, *Lea Moore

*Chris Pollock

*Latoya Williams

Cast B

*Payne Singletary

*Matt Harrison

*Meghan Steele

*Vanessa Lackey *Philip Dyke

*Lani Hollingsworth

*Iason Brown

Austin Humphries

*Chris Pharis

Iacob Odum Jeremy Hankinson

Kyle Fusco

*Ben Butler

Roustabouts

Ricky Lee Chris Harrell Judges

*Yvette Williams *Charlene Lee Sarah Outz

*indicates a member of the International Thespian Society, an honor society for drama club members

State Fair

DANCERS

"STATE FAIR"

Hope Smith Blair Bracewell

Lynlee Gainous

Leah Harper Lindsay Lunday

Emily Bailey

"GRAND NIGHT FOR SINGING"

Emily Oliver

Brittany Blough Amber Bennett

Caitlin Rosencrantz

Brittini Linton

Makaila Steele

Alvsha Owens

Matthew Harrison

Conrad Harrell

Kyle Fusco

Ricky Lee

Chris Harrell

Jason Brown

Chris Pollock

"I OWE IOWAY"

Ashley Maxwell Hope Smith

Emily Oliver

Lindsay Lunday

Katelyn Renfroe

Lynlee Gainous

Charlene Lee Caitlin Rosencrantz

Yvette Williams

Brittany Blough Leah Harper

Alysha Owens

Blair Bracewell

Amber Bennett

Emily Bailey

Brittini Linton

FAIRGOERS

Brooke Kirkland

Patrice Miller Jemiya Wright

Amber Addison

Alicia Bostick

Mikayla Brown

Brandi Dodd

Courtney Flowers

Brianna Glenn

Shmyra Hopkins

KIDS

Dominique Williams Morgan Blough

Andrasha Jackson

Mary Rehberg

Nicholas Fusco

Annie Ross

Miazia Iones

Jennings Childree

El Lexius Thompson

Mallory Ouzt

Josh Rhudy

Rachel Zipperer

Chelsea Young

Kayla Clark

Tanner Clark

Taylor Clark Shaquanvia Jones

Devin Wright

THE CREW

Drama Director — Patricia Orr
Music Director — Judy Pollock
Student Directors — Brian Mason
Chris Pollock*
Cassie Adkins*
Caroline Crapps*

Cover Design — Brittany Blough*

Tim Hyde

Costumes — Judy pollock's Mom

Vicki Pharis

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Props Secureman — Linda Harrison, Debbie Lackey

BACK-STAGE CREW

Stage Managers — Crystal Cook*

Victoria Darus*
Steven Harvell*

Props Mistress — Cristen Crapps*

Brittney Green*

Lighting — Jack Walker*
Spotlight — Sara Kimmel*
Curtain — Joseph Sharp*

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Jenni Pollock*

Orchestra — Patrick Ballew

Roland Ventura Judy Pollock

Vicki Pharis

Kids Care Chairman — Kristi Thompson

State Fair

THE CAST



(Student Director)

is the daughter of Jimmie and Cynthia Adkins. She is in the eighth grade. This is her third year in Drama. Cassie has been in past performances of *Bye-Bye Birdie*, *Grease*, and *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. She is a Thespian.



BEN BUTLER
(Pat / Cast A, Hank / Cast B)

is the son of Billy and Susie Butler. He is in the eighth grade and has been in the performances of Bye-Bye Birdie, Grease, and The Best Christmas Pageant Ever. Ben is also active in Tiger Talk, Beta Club, and the WMS Band. He is a Thespian.



FEHRAN BAGGETT (Margy Frake - Cast A)

is the proud daughter of John and Cindy Baggett. At 14 years old in the eighth grade, she is going on to her third year in Drama. Fehran has been in past performances of *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever, Oklahoma, Wizard of Oz, Bye-Bye Birdie* and *Grease*. She is a Thespian.



(Student Director)

is the daughter of Robert and Mamie Crapps. She is in the eighth grade. This is her third year in Drama. She has been in past performances of *Music Man*, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*, *Bye-Bye Birdie*, and *Grease*. Caroline is a member of the Beta Club, FCA, the WMS Band, and is active in youth activities. She enjoys shopping and talking on the telephone. She is a Thespian.



BRITTANY BLOUGH (Student Director)

is the daughter of Paul and Kim Blough. She is in the eighth grade and this is her third year in Drama. She has been in past performances of *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*, *Bye-Bye Birdie*, and *Grease*. Brittany enjoys dancing, acting, and twirling. She is a Thespian.



CHRISTEN CRAPPS (Student Prop Mistress)

is the daughter of Robert and Mamie Crapps. She is in the eighth grade. This is her third year in Drama. She has been in past performances of Music Man, The Best Christmas Pageant Ever, Bye-Bye Birdie, and Grease. Christen is a member of the Beta Club, FCA, the WMS Band, and is active in youth activities. She enjoys soccer, football, and softball. She is a Thespian.



JASON BROWN
(Henry / Gus / Hank - Cast B)

is the son of Mickey and Janice Brown. He is in eighth grade and is active in Beta Club and Drama. Jason enjoys soccer, baseball, and acting. This is his second year in Drama. He has been in past performances of *The Best Christmas* Pageant Ever and Grease. Jason is a Thespian.



PHILIP DYKE (Wayne Frake - Cast B)

is the son of Gene and Gwyn Dyke. He is on the eighth grade Tiger team. This is his third year in Drama. He has been in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever, Bye-Bye Birdie*, and *Grease*. Philip is active in Beta Club and the WMS Band. He enjoys golf, playing drums, riding bikes, and fishing. He is a Thespian.



JEREMY HANKINSON (Able - Cast A)

is the son of Lizzie Garrette and Jerry Hankinson. He is in the eighth grade and this is his first year in Drama. He has played in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*, and now, *State Fair*. He is in Explo and plays Alto/Tenor Saxophone in the WMS Band. Jeremy enjoys listening to music and goofing around.



KYLE FUSCO (Wayne Frake - Cast A)

is the son of Sam and Judy Fusco. He is in the seventh grade. This is his second year in Drama. He has been in *Grease* and *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. Kyle is in Beta Club, WMS Band, and Explo. He loves to play sports, video games, and sings in a band.



LEAH HARPER (Eleanor - Cast A)

is the daughter of Mike and Patty Harper. She is in the eighth grade. This is her third year in Drama. Leah has been in the past performances of Bye-Bye Birdie, Grease, and The Best Christmas Pageant Ever. She is active in Beta Club, and WMS Band. Leah enjoys talking on the phone. She is a Thespian.



BRITTNEY GREEN (Student Prop Mistress)

is the daughter of Susan and Randy Green. She is in the eighth grade. This is her third year in the Drama Club. Brittney has been in past performances of *Bye-Bye Birdie*, *Grease*, and *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. She is a participant of Beta Club. Brittney also enjoys playing softball, talking on the Internet and the phone, and hanging out with friends. She is a Thespian.



CHRIS HARRELL (Dave Miller)

is the son of Jeffrey and Deneen Harrell. He is in the seventh grade. This is his second year in Drama. Chris has been in past performances of *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* and *Grease*. He is active in the WMS Band, and 4-H. Chris enjoys playing the saxophone and shooting shotguns.



CONRAD HARRELL (Charlie - Cast A)

is the son of Tamra and Kelvin Harrell. He likes playing soccer, football, and the guitar. He has been in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* and *Grease*. Conrad is in the Beta Club and FCA. He also enjoys skateboarding, hunting, and pretty much anything outside. He and his friends are starting a band.

State Fair



MATTHEW HARRISON (Harry / Gus - Cast A)

is the son of Rodney and Linda Harrison. He is in the eighth grade. This is his third year in Drama. He has been in *The Best Christmas* Pageant Ever, Grease, Bye-Bye Birdie, and many more. Matthew is a 4-star Thespian. He likes to play golf, hockey, soccer, and many other sports.



LANI HOLLINGSWORTH (Eleanor - Cast B)

is the daughter of Daphine and Bobby Hollingsworth. She is in the seventh grade. This is her second year in Drama. Lani has been in *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* and *Grease*. She is in the Beta Club and is involved in her church.



AUSTIN HUMPHRIES (Emily Arden - Cast B)

is the daughter of Glenn and Melanie Humphries. She is in the seventh grade and this is her second year in Drama. Austin's past performances include *Grease* and *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. She is active in the WMS Band, Explo, and Tiger Talk. Austin enjoys being in her church Drama troop, playing her trumpet, and walking her dog Honey.



SHANNON JONES (Melissa Frake - Cast A)

is the daughter of Kathy and Bruce Jones. She is in the eighth grade. This is her first year in Drama. She has been in the past performance of *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. She is active in the WMS Band and college prep. Shannon enjoys singing and twirling. She wants to thank God for her talents, her parents for believing in her, and Ms. Orr and Mrs. Pollock for pushing her to keep going.



VANESSA LACKEY (Melissa - Cast B)

is the daughter of Rick and Debra Lackey. She is in the eighth grade. This is her second year in Drama. Vanessa has been in past performances of *Grease* and *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. She is active in the WMS Band and FCA. She enjoys singing and playing tennis. She is a Thespian.



JACOB ODUM (Charlie - Cast B)

is the son of Laura and Larry Odum. He is in the sixth grade. This is his very first year of Drama. He has only been in one major play — The Best Christmas Pageant Ever. Jacob was the first sixth grader in three years to be Charlie in the play. He is part of the Scrabble Club, Explo, and plays the French horn in the WMS Band. Since Jacob has started Drama, he has worked hard to get lead roles. He is hoping to become an Honor Thespian before leaving Washington Middle School.



CHRISTOPHER PHARIS (Pat Gilbert - Cast A)

is the son of Tommy and Vickey Pharis. He has been in past productions of *The Sound of Music*, *Bye-Bye Birdie*, *Grease*, and *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. He is active in JV soccer. Chris enjoys playing his drum set. He is a Thespian.



MEGHAN STEELE (MARGY FRAKE - CAST B)

is the proud daughter of Dan and Wanda Steele. She is in the eighth grade. This is her third year in Drama. She has been in the past productions of *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever, Bye-Bye Birdie*, and *Grease*. Meghan is a member of FCA, president of the Beta Club, and Drum Major for the WMS Band. She enjoys shopping, talking, playing the piano, riding horses, and hanging out with friends. She is a Thespian.



CHRIS POLLOCK (Student Director / Heppenstalil)

is the son of Alan and Judy Pollock. He is in the eighth grade. This is his eighth year in Drama. Chris has been in the past performances of Annie Get Your Gun, Oklahoma, Music Man, The Sound of Music, Bye-Bye-Birdie, Grease, and The Best Christmas Pageant Ever. He is active in Beta Club, Student Council, and the WMS Band. Chris enjoys surfing, snow boarding, playing video games, going on the Internet, watching TV, golfing, playing tennis, going hunting, karate, and playing soccer. He is an honor Thespian.



ALLISON STODDARD (Emily Arden - Cast A)

is the daughter of Miriam
Funderburk and Lee Stoddard. This
is her third year in Drama. Allison
has been in the past performances
of Bye-Bye Birdie, The Best Christmas
Pageant Ever, and Grease. Allison is
active in Beta Club, the WMS Band,
and is a WMS cheerleader. She
enjoys singing, acting, and talking on
the phone. She is a Thespian.



PAYNE SINGLETARY (Abel - Cast B)

is the son of Irven and Diane
Singletary. This is his third year in
Drama and he is in the eighth grade.
He has performed in *Bye-Bye Birdie*, *Grease*, and *The Best Christmas*Pageant Ever. Payne plays football for
WMS. He loves water-skiing,
wakeboarding, and BMS. He also
enjoys playing in his band. He is a
Thespian.

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Ceah Harper (Eleanor)



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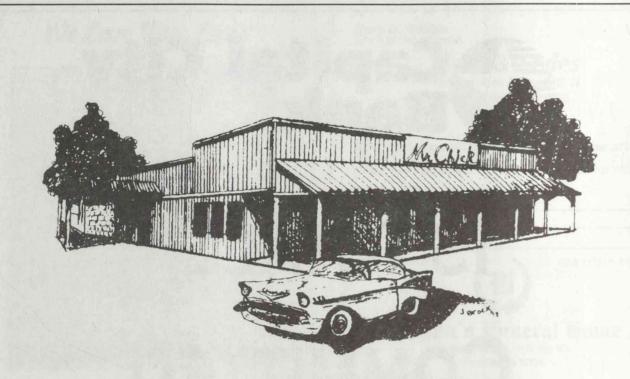


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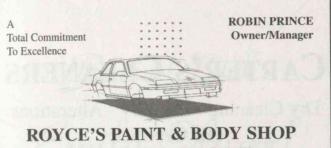
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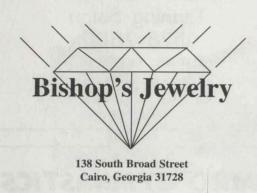
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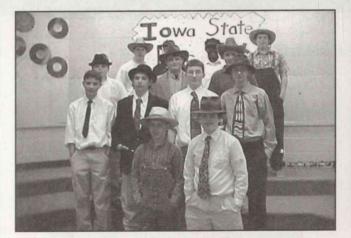
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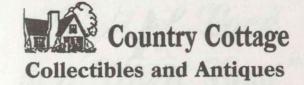
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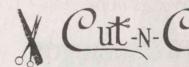
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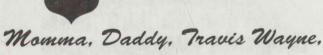


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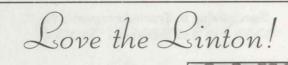
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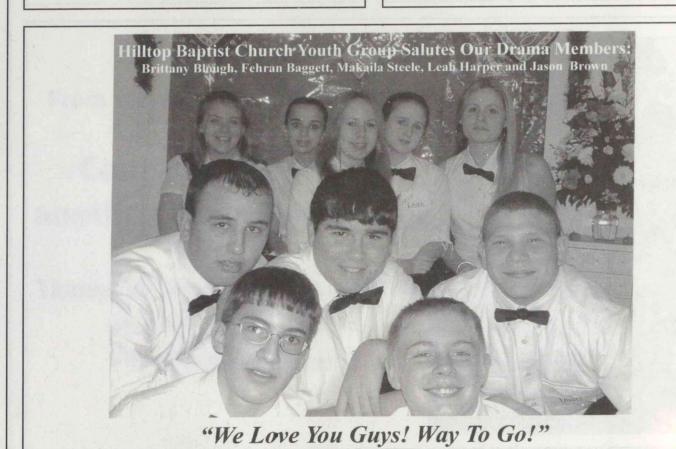
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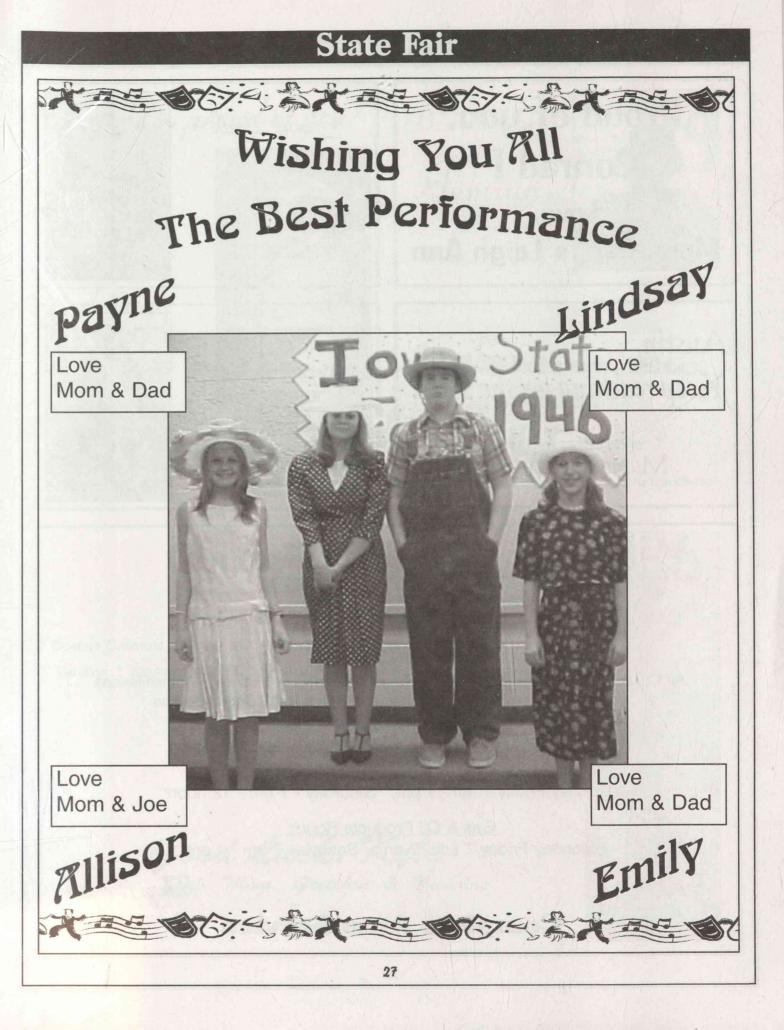


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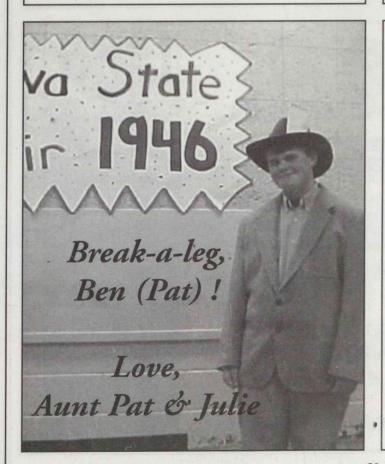
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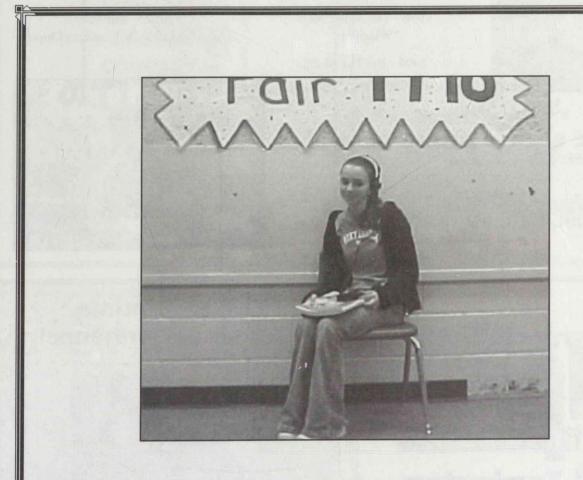


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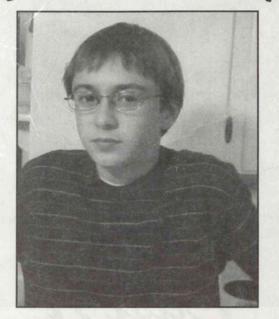
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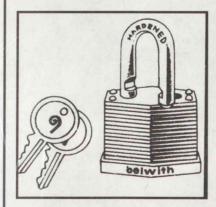
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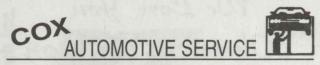
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