## KEEPING GOD NUMBER ONE

Keeping God number one in our lives requires effort on our part. We nurture our friendships by spending time with our triends. We normally talk to our friends on a daily basis. We go to movies together, out to eat together, and do other social activities. If we only spoke to our friends once a month we would eventually lose touch with each other's lives. I feel that It is the same way with God. By reading the Bible and praying, we develop a friendship like no other. There are so many distractions in our lives today that the enemy is constantly distractions in our lives laday that the enemy is con-stantly throwing upon us. I have to continuously strive to keep God at the top of everything in my life. The Bible says in Matthew 6:33, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

Claiborne Christian School stay busy! Some people think that all they do is go to school maybe play a sport, do homework, and go to church; well, that's only a fraction. CCS students don't just settle for a casual Christian life; they go the extra mile! Seniors, Amber Ray and Seth Spillers have taken the Initiative to create Bible studies for the students. This is time for them to get their minds off school and enjoy each other in prayer and growing in their walk with Christ. Junior, Kirstie Hines is putting together a friday night get together for the high school students. There will be garnes, food, worship, devotions, and students from the school sharing their testimonies. Now if you haven't heard, it's hunting season! Many of the students at CCS enjoy bow and squirrel hunting. They say it is a relaxing time that can turn into an adventure and, of course, good food! There are also students who work or enjoy just staying home with the family. So as you can see, student life at Clalborne Christian School is not as simple as it

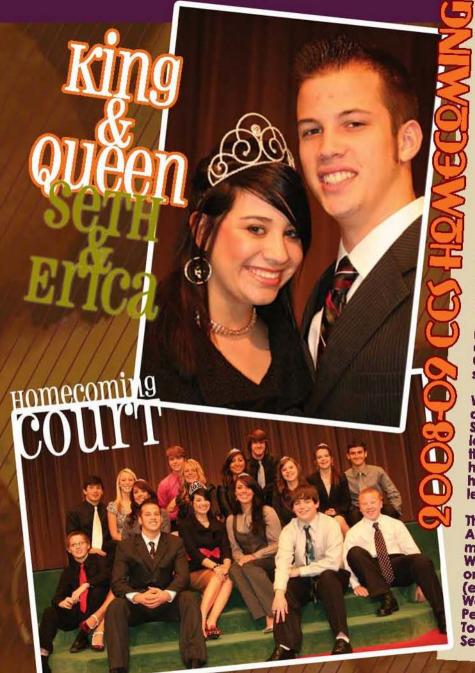
Christmas time is a time for giving, helping others, spending time with your friends and family, and celebrating Christ Jesus' birth. Students at Cialborne Christian do what they can to make a difference! They ring bells for the Salvation Army at Pecaniand Mall. Some get involved in the shoe-box program for children who would

box program for children who would not have Christmas. There are also students' familles who adopt a family they go all the way to Mexico! If you have never experienced the involved and give. It's not just about giving presents; it's about giving the love of Jesus and helping others!

### Never Let the Fear of Striking Out Keep You From Playing the Game

By: Erica Hammons

So many high school students go four years without ever giving it the best of their ability. In an effort to maintain mediocre grades, they get caught up in the everyday activities and pressures of other students. They do not raise the bar in all of the areas in which they are capable of excelling. They tend to have the illusion that by staying in the middle of the road they will not bring unwanted attention to themselves. The fear of failing causes them to settle for "okay" rather than "great!" These are all lies of the enemy. God calls us to a higher standard. The Bible says in 2 Timothy 2:15, "Work hard so you can present yourself to God and receive his approval. Be a good worker, one who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly explains the word of truth.



Claiborne Christian School's 26th Annual Homecoming was celebrated the week of October 20-24.

Each day, students, teachers, and faculty dressed for different themes. The two most popular days were Twin Day and Super Hero Day. Other events that took place throughout the week included a Teacher vs. Students volleyball game, activities and games during lunch, Junior High Homecoming Party, Homecoming Parade, school pep rally, High School Homecoming Party, and a Homecoming Assembly.

During Friday morning's Homecoming Assembly, Erica Leigh Hammons was named this year's Homecoming Queen and William Seth Spillers was named Homecom-

Erica Leigh Hammons is the daughter of Eric and Lisa Hammons. She and her family are long-time attenders of Family Church. Erica is a three-time state qualifier for the Louisiana High School Rodeo. Homeschooled for most of her life, Erica chose to attend CCS for her senior year. She has maintained a 4.0 GPA.

Erica likes the fact that CCS is a Christian environment and that the Bible is taught. She believes that Claiborne Christian has influenced her to have a deeper relationship with God and to always put Him first in her life.

William Seth Spiller is the son of Jim and Diane Spillers. He and his family are active members of Family Church. Seth is a member of the varsity baseball feam. Seth is a leader among his peers at CCS. He organized and led this year's "See You at the Pole." In addition to this, he helped form and is leading both the senior and junior high chapters of Fellowship of Christian Students and Ath-

This year's Homecoming Court consisted of: Freshman Alanle Aston (escorted by Freshman Macon Bell), Freshman Mary Hamilton (escorted by Sophomore Corey Walker), Sophomore Shelby Sanchez (escorted by Sophomore David Barnes), Sophomore Kristen Worley (escorted by Sophomore Jordan Baugh), Junior Kristian Worster (escorted by Junior Seth Spillers), Junior Taylor Pee (escorted by Freshman Kyle Willard), Senior Rebecca Touchstone (escorted by Senior Donovan Johnson), and Senior Erica Hammons (escorted by Senior Seth Spillers).



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9:15 am Tackle 2 Football CCS vs. Kiroli 1:45 pm Tackle 1 Football CCS vs. George Welch

11.03.08>

11.08.08>

3:00pm

11:45am

Tackle 1 Football

Tackle 2 Football

CCS vs. Woodlawn

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4:00pm Junior High Basketball game - H CCS vs. West Ridge 6:00pm Varsity Basketball game - H

CCS vs. Georgetown

11.04.08>

2:00pm Early Dismissal (Teacher's Meeting)

5:00pm Junior High Basketball game - A CCS vs. Northeast

Baptist

11.10.08>

5:00pm **Junior High** Basketball game - H CCS vs. Carroll 11.11.08>

2:00pm Early Dismissal (Teacher's Meeting) 6:00pm

Varsity Basketball game - A CCS vs. Downsville

11.06.08>

6:00pm Junior High Basketball game -H CCS vs. Good Hope

11.12-15.08>

Varsity Basketball Tournament @ **Choudrant High** School

11.18.08>

game - A CCS vs. Spearsville

11:00am Preschool Thanksgiving Dinner (cafeteria) 2:00pm

Early Dismissal (Teacher's Meeting) 4:00pm

Junior high Basketball game - H 6:00pm

Varsity game - H CCS vs. OCS

11.20-22.08>

11:00am CCS Thanksglving Dinner (cafeteria)

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11.24-28.08>

**Thanksgiving** Break

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Claiborne Christian Preschool Thanksgiving Break



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