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Micah Bogle battles for the ball just before the skies opened up during the district tournament. The Lady Saints were eliminated 2-1 by Prescott. Micah is this week's Athlete of the Week. All winners are invited to stop by the Smithville Review office and pick up a complimentary limited edition t-shirt.



Anna Chew will return for her senior year after competing at the state championships in Manchester this past week.



Isaac Walker hit his last drive for **DeKalb County High during competi**tion at the state championships. He will now be playing for Cumberland

Golfers compete at state

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DeKalb County's best high school golfers finished toward the front of the pack in a rain-shortened state championships at Willowbrook Country Club near Manchester this past week.

Isaac Walker finished with a six-over-par 78, leaving him in a tie for 26th place out of 63 competitors. His round came as rain forced the tournament to be condensed last week to an 18-hole contest instead of the planned 36 holes.

Walker is a senior who has committed to play golf for Cumberland University. This year marked the third year he has qualified for state, going forward this year after placing in the top three at the district tournament in Cookeville and the regionals in Cleveland.

Anna Chew made her first appearance in the state tournament and was able to shoot an 82 which left her in a tie for 18th in the 48-competitor field. She is a junior and according to Coach John Pryor she has showed enormous improvement this year and he fully expects here to return to the state finals this coming year.

As for team titles, Science Hill won the boys state title and Lance Simpson of Knoxville-Farragut and Jackson Skeen of Science Hill finished in a tie for first in the boys' singles. Station Camp won the girls' title with Isabella Van der Biest of Dobyns-Bennett winning singles, shooting the overall best score of the day with a 67.



THE JOY OF TEACHIN

Beginning teaching career up north, Smithville Elementary first grade teacher Ally Atnip says she loves being Smithville treasurers her students.

Ally has been in teaching for 18 years. She got her undergraduate degree from Loyola University Chicago, teaching degree from the University of Texas and her Masters from Dominican University of Chicago.

into teaching thanks to a friend. "I worked in a bank and I had recalled. "My girlfriend was a teacher and she started having me come into her class on Wednesdays and I just loved it. I realized a job should be something

you love."

Since embarking on her career, Ally said she looks forward to school. "Every day is different," she said.

Ally has worked a variety of jobs during his educational career, even doing stints as assistant principal and principal before she came south to Smithville. She has been teaching at SES for the past five years.

"Satisfaction. Memories. Joy," she said of what she takes She said she got home after a day of teaching, adding she enjoys seeing her students when she Wednesdays off," she is around town after class."If I go to Walmart and I see a kid I taught they'll yell across the aisles 'hey Miss Ally'.

> When she is not teaching, she is a country girl. "Me and

my husband live on a mini-farm so when I'm not teaching, we are taking care of our animals," she said, noting she also has a 13-year-old daughter. "Taking her around to all her activities also keeps me busy."

Ally said she is glad she moved to Smithville given the tight-knit community and their strong love for one another here.

"Smithville is a really great town," she said. "Lots of good people and strong families. It's a joy to teach here."



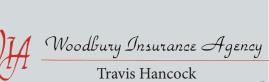


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