

TEST OF TRIVIA

ACADEMIC TEAM WINS 12TH SILVER BOWL!



Silver smiles. A-team members J.R. Fennell, Anthony Thacker, Sarah Keith, and Michael Berry stand with Mrs. Jane Brewer, displaying the Silver Bowl, the symbol of their treasured win.

Rest before the test. Academic team captain Sarah Keith relaxes with her teammates before competition. Because Sarah had a lot of experience, she wasn't really nervous--just determined.



Have you ever wondered how the millions of trivial facts you learned from watching too much Jeopardy could ever be useful? The members of the Academic Teamused their knowledge towin their twelfth Silver Bowl, which is first place in the USC Salkehatchie Bowl in Allendale.

Four students from each of the high schools in the five surrounding counties competed.

"We wanted to redeem ourselves from last year's secondplacewin, and wewere successful," reported Michael Berry.

The A-team also contended in several other competitions, including those at Presbyterian College, Newberry College, USC Columbia, James Island High School, and Irmo High School.

At A.C. Fluora High School, the A-teamwas placed in the Sweet Sixteen, which are the top sixteen schools out of 40-60 other schools.

The A-team also competed in the Knowledge Master, a computer test taken by 1200-1600 schools across the nation. They scored in the top 25%, which is a remarkably good score considering only ten students competed compared to some schools' fifty-student groups.

"Our own students can hold their own against the nation. We've proved that through the Knowledge Master," commented Mrs. Janis Blocker, who has coached the A-team for 14 years.

-Audra Flynn