



BALLOON RETURNED - Jeff Goggins, a sophomore at Maries R-I High School, recently had his balloon returned after it was found at Knight Hawk Coal in Illinois. The company sent the balloon back, as well as a company T-shirt. Also pictured is Science teacher Mr. Kinkead.

Balloon returned

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Mr. Kinkead's Aerospace Science class released balloons on January 9, 2002. A card with the school's return address was attached to each balloon. Each student hoped that his or her balloon would be returned.

On February 4, sophomore Jeff Goggins' balloon was returned. The balloon was found in the middle of Knight Hawk Coal LLC, an active surface coal mine located in Ava, Illinois. One of the workers picked it up so it wouldn't get buried.

The coal mine sent Jeff a company T-shirt and his balloon back.