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Marquardt and Beres to Lead Grand March Annual Inaugural Ball Has Oriental Theme

Oriental atmosphere will set the scene for the 36th annual Inaugural Ball tonight from 8-11 p.m. Glenn Marquardt, Student Council president, will lead the Grand March with his date, Rhonda Beres.

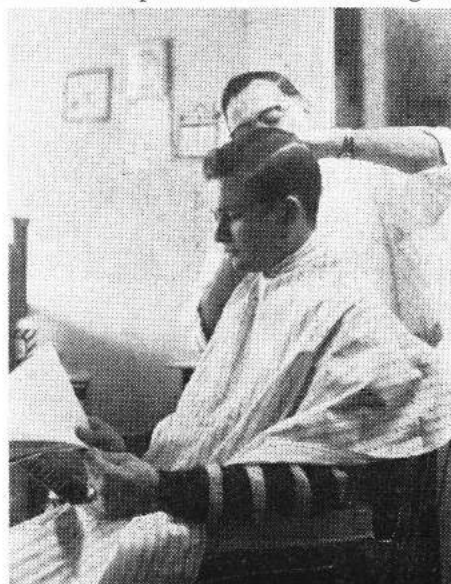
Mary Kay Mathews, general chairman of the dance, announced that the color scheme is black and green. A multi-colored Japanese mobile will hang in the center of the gym. Murals made by Tom Buller, Marion Avery, and Judy Hodges will decorate the walls and the hall outside the gym.

Couples will dance to the music of Johnny Baker who was secured by Pete Vasil.

Arrangements for colored pictures were made by Rhonda Beres. Mr. George Strimbu will take the pictures of couples attending.

Margie Kucan announced that 250 bids have been sold. Admission is \$2.50 per couple.

Committees for the dance include Linda Komisarick, and Sandy DeGatano, decorations; Marvene Sebben, favors; Carol Koontz, refreshments consisting of punch and cookies; Sandy Varello, cloakroom; Larry Morgan, light-



ing; Frank Panchak, and Charles Birdwell, clean-up.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Torreson, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Martin, Mr. and Mrs. George Orlich, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pieroni, Mr. and Mrs. Don Polizotto, Miss Olive Leskow, and Mr. A. E. Smith were guests invited by Cami Cokusis.

OTHER COUNCIL NEWS

Student Council has been responsible for decorating the exterior of the school. Pat Martin was in charge of the displays. The Christmas tree and canned goods in the auditorium alcove were also displayed by the Student Council. Mr. George Orlich, sponsor of the club, announced that Lew Wallace is the sponsor of the School-Wide Christmas baskets.

Future plans of the council include revising of the Constitution, rules on student conduct in dress and a clean-up campaign.



Andrea Cokusis and Tom Buller, seniors, are preparing for the Inaugural Ball tonight. — Photo by Terry Hill

Principals Extend Warm Greetings To All

Some of the symbols associated with the celebration of the Christmas Season can be traced to their origins in ancient cultures, and these cultural roots are still reflected in a variety of ways in homes throughout America. While the traditions followed to express the reverence of the Holiday Season may differ, the spirit which directs our thoughts toward the love of God and our fellow man transcends these differences. Peace, good will, and the giving of gifts symbolize our concern for others, dispel the shadows of individual problems, and elevate our thoughts toward greater purposes.

As we prepare for the advent of another Christmas, it is our hope that all families will experience this true spirit.

D. T. Torreson, Principal

Christmas means many things — the remembrance of our Saviour's birth, the season of wishing, the reflection on the joys of long ago, the excitement of holiday secrets, the pealing of church bells, the festiveness of the tree, the uniting of families, the cheery warmth of true friends, the glow of the candle light, and many other memories.

These may be summarized very adequately in a statement by an unknown author. "Christmas is the shining festival of the unselfish. It is the homecoming of the spirit — the glorification of all that is good."

May I conclude with a most sincere wish that this Christmas will be such for you and yours.

A. E. Smith, Assistant Principal

"This Is Christmas" To Be Presented Today Choral, Dramatics Departments Head Show

THIS IS CHRISTMAS will be presented by the choral and dramatic departments today during the third, fifth, and sixth periods. Two performances will be given in the afternoon for the junior high and a special one Sunday for the community.

Producer of the program is Mr. Alfred Fissinger, assisted by Mrs. Frances Busby, dramatics director, and Mrs. Mattie Hannsz, technical director.

Equestrians Presented Show Of Riding, Jumping Skills

Newly formed Equestrians were presented a riding and jumping exhibition recently on the school field. Patty Hartman rode "Diamond Dust" from Ski Hi Riding Academy in Tinley Park, Ill. Mr. Robert Wickman, owner of the stables, accompanied the performing riders.

Equestrians sponsored the show as one of their extra activities. The club members receive weekly lessons in basic and advanced forward seat riding, and care of the horse and equipment at the academy.

The presentation will be a combination of the pageant and Vespers. Readers of Vespers are Hope Hills, Karen Jakovac, Jim Benton, and Ed Agnew.

Three tableaux will be portrayed in pantomimes. One will be the angels appearing to the shepherds; the second will be the carollers; and the third is the shepherds bringing gifts to Joseph and Mary.

Members of the cast are John Lincoln, as the father; George Lash, angel; John Apolzon, Joseph; Glenn Lodovisi, boy; Linda Flowers, girl; Don Terrel, small boy; Karen Koches, mother; and Linda Mason, Mary. Also in the cast are Ken Sendre, Tom Kehoe, and Bob Jensen, shepherds; carollers are Larry Hedges, Sandra McNeil, Susan Houser, Mary Cass, Pat Granger, Mary Skirak, June Uzelac, Susan Thomas, and Pat Tranis.

Merry Christmas

Behind The Scenes

Love, Faith And Hope Are Greatest Gifts

The littlest angel sat on the great white stairs trying with all his might to compose a hymn for the Christ child's birthday. But all he could think of was amen, amen. He had no other worldly goods to give Him except the contents of a box that he had left at home, under his bed. In the box was a pressed butterfly, his dog's ball, and an old leather belt — the nicest gift he had to give plus **Love**.

The old man lay serenely in his bed listening to the ringing of the church bells on Christmas morn. He had seen many cheerful Christmases and had given and received many gifts. The gifts he had received brought many fond memories to him, but now in his sickness the one gift he held tightest was **Faith**.

The letter began "Dear Santa" and ended "From Jimmy Moore." Jimmy did not ask for toys like other little boys; he asked Santa not to forget him on Christmas this year. He asked Santa to give him just one happy Christmas Day and to forget that he was poor. Jimmy knew Santa would find his house, he knew it. He had **Hope**.

The package was hidden behind the tree, almost completely from sight. It had no ornate paper or bows on it. But it contained the whole world for many people — **Love, Faith, and Hope**

— LINDA KOMISARCIK

Christmas Celebrated In Different Manner Throughout Various Countries Of The World

Christmas is celebrated differently in various parts of the U. S.

In the South, people begin their merry antics by shooting fire crackers, and watching parades of marching soldiers firing rifle salutes. Their holidays are really the same as the North's except for the lack of snow and sleigh-bells.

If one wanted to live without Christmas, he would find it very easy to have lived in New England in the 1700's. The Pilgrims regarded Christmas as a pagan holiday. In Massachusetts a law was passed forbidding the celebration of Christmas with the penalty of severe punishment.

Of course, now all New Englanders celebrate the holidays in the same ways we do. However, in some villages many old customs still prevail. In New Hampshire, for instance, many towns set up one Christmas tree in the town hall and decorate it with the children's gifts.

A popular tradition in Alaska, is "going around the star". A man carries a star on a long pole decorated with multi-colored papers with several people following behind carrying lanterns on long poles. These people stop at intervals to visit in the homes of the wealthy where they are treated with cakes and candies.

All of us know the fun, of an American Christmas, but how do the people of other countries observe the birthday of Christ?

FRANCE

Christmas Eve in France is merry and filled with festivities. Villagers enjoy a holiday supper and the burning of the traditional *Suche*, or Yule Log. At midnight the merry-makers light their Christmas candles and solemnly walk to the church to celebrate the Noel. After the services, the people attend a feast that often lasts until morning. The children are not forgotten, for their slippers are filled with sugarplums. On New Year's day, adults exchange their gifts, and many celebrate all day and night.

GREAT BRITAIN

A blazing plum pudding, rosy-cheeked carolers, and a crackling Yule log are all symbolic of an English Christmas. Mince pie, a favorite American dish, was originally an English Christmas food. It dates back to the fourteenth century, but the original recipe has been changed for modern use.

POLAND

Christmas for the Poles is a strict fast until the first star appears, and then the feasting begins. Poles exchange *oplatki*, small wafers, as we exchange Christmas cards. The roasting of a Christmas pig is an important ceremony in both Poland and Serbia. Serbians keep an open house for three days and everyone, is welcome. The *badnyak*, or Christmas log, must never burn out or the family will be cursed with bad luck. Therefore a member of the family watches over it all night.

SCANDINAVIA

In Scandinavia a pudding containing only one almond is served, and it is said that the person with the almond will be married before the next Christmas.

A favorite Norweigan custom is "shooting in Christmas". Young people go searching on Christmas Eve, and shoot a gun to frighten any witches. This goes back to the ancient belief that witches appear on Christmas Eve.

Santa Please Bring
The Present Of Peace

This year I think that I shall ask
For something not the same
As what I've asked in other years
Here is her name —
Peace.

It would be so nice to have the world
Reformed to such a way
That we'd be a happy family
For this I pray —
Peace.

I'd like to change that panicked feeling
Everytime I hear
Those sudden TV and radio bulletins
I hope she is near —
Peace.

I ask that we may rest assured
And may it be quite soon
That the world may feel at ease
And we'll sing a new tune
Peace.

— Barbara Bastian

The Day Before
Vacation

"Twas the day before vacation and all through the school

The students were joking and playing it cool.

Coach with his paddle and I in my dunce

Had just settled down for a lesson in punts.

When out on the lawn there rose such a clatter,

I sprang from my stool to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Threw open the shades and pulled at the latch.

The sun on the breast of the new fallen snow

Gave luster of midday to objects below.
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,

But a long white Chevy with a sleigh in the rear,

With a little ole driver so full of great glee

I knew in a moment it must be D. T.
More lively than eagles his teachers they came,

And he whistled and shouted, and called them by name.
"Now, Jimmy! now, Katy! now, Margaret and Billie!

On, Robert, on Thomas, on, Dorothy and Lily!

To the top of the stairs, to the middle of the hall,

Now, dash away, dash away, dash away, all!

And then in a twinkling, I heard on the floor

The opening and closing of our principal's door.

As I drew on my courage and walked to the room,

I saw him standing there just whistling a tune.

He was dressed all in fur from his head to his foot,

And his clothes were all tarnished and covered with soot;

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,

Filled out reports and then turned with a jerk.

Laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, from his chair he arose.

He went to his car, to his motor gave a whistle

And away he drove like the down of a thistle.

But I heard him exclaim as he drove out of sight,
"Merry Christmas to all, may your vacation be bright!"

— Harriet Siegle



The Philosopher Staff made sure Santa knew what they wanted for Christmas this year. Kneeling from left to right are Bill Davis, Pat Cullen, and Steve Kurowski. Standing are Becky Guess, Betty Lou Cook, Mariann Kopko, Linda Komisarcik, Barbara Bastian, and Roni Jelusich.

— Photo by Terry Hill

An Unwilling Gift Changed
To Traditional Poinsettia

In a little church in Mexico each year the altar is laden with flowers. People in every walk of life bring gifts in memory of the Divine Christ Child.

One day a needy child stood crying near the church door. A Vicar asked, "Why weep this joyous day?"

"Because I bear no flowers in my hand; no gift to offer when I kneel to pray," she replied.

He asked her to pick a plant close by her side, and place it with the rest.

"Why! that is just a common weed," she said, and I want flowers, quite the loveliest."

Unwillingly she pulled the weed, and in her hands it radiated a soft glow. It was the poinsettia, now the traditional Christmas flower.

This is evidence for us that it is the thought and not the price we pay for things which give the warmest light. Love from the sincere heart is worth more and shines brighter in our Master's sight.

— ELAINE KOUVELAS

During Christmas Holidays
People Often Forget To Put
Christ Back Into Christmas

During the Christmas season spiritual thoughts are occasionally buried under the festivities of the holidays. All too often individuals fail to realize the real significance of this holy season.

Shoppers run frantically to the various stores anticipating the proper gifts to select. Starry-eyed children happily await the big day in December. Parents patiently wait hours in line so their children may have an opportunity to talk to Santa. Teenagers also plan parties and dances to celebrate the Christmas season. In general, everyone plans for this joyous season.

With all of these extra-curricular activities taking place, some individuals overlook the importance of real friendship and brotherly love that exists during this time of the year.

It is time that throughout the United States we symbolize the true meaning of this holiday and try to PUT CHRIST BACK INTO CHRISTMAS.

—KAREN KUSTA

Debut

"Yes, this will certainly be the busiest Christmas ever," said Santa Claus. "I can remember the first year I delivered gifts though. That was almost 100 years ago and I was only 84 years old. I didn't have nearly as much to do then, but perhaps it just seems that way because I was so young."

Among the preparations Santa makes for his trip on Christmas eve are gaining 10 extra pounds to fit into his outfit, and practicing to say Ho! Ho! Santa also sets his beard on rollers using "Get Set" so that it won't lose its curl.

When asked about the worst accident he ever had, Santa said it happened when he was flying too low over a tower in Pisa, Italy. He collided with the tower and seriously tilted it to one side.

Santa Claus has several hobbies, but he has so much work to do during the pre-Christmas rush that he can't spend very much time on them. His favorite hobby is taking care of his reindeer. He is presently writing a book entitled, **Teaching Reindeer To Fly**.

His favorite Christmas carol is "Jingle Bells." Santa enjoys reading poetry, especially "The Night Before Christmas," by Clement Moore.

When asked about his North Pole workshop, Santa said it did need repairing, and recently some elves gave it a fresh coat of red and white paint.

Santa and Mrs. Claus often spend part of their summer at their cottage at the South Pole.

Before returning to the North Pole, Santa wished all the students and faculty the merriest Christmas ever.

HE'S EVERYWHERE!

Stevie Stinger Makes The Rounds Of Stores Meeting Working Wallacites At Their Jobs

I have been such a busy bee that I've hardly had time to untangle my antennae. I have been in so many stores that I just have to tell you about my adventures.

I went to the Village to start my Christmas shopping. What a mess! The parking lot was so full that I could hardly find a place to park my Model B Stinger-Ray. Finally after some confusion and a bent stinger, I made my way to KRESGE'S to buy my Christmas cards. **Vivian Giema**, **Sharon Olds**, and **Sue Croll** were all trying to help me find some with hornets on the front. After many minutes of desperation, **June Wisz** and **Doris Kolvek** came to my aid with some hornets left over from homecoming. They said I could just enclose the hornets in the cards, and my friends would know it was I.

My next stop was MONTGOMERY WARDS. I wanted to buy a scarf for my Aunt Bee. **Kitty Dal Pra** helped me select a pretty black and gold one. **Marilyn Stewart** found a gold box to put it in.

When I buzzed past the jewelry counter, a wig hat caught my eye. **Phyllis Chornack** was modeling it for **Ethel Bone** and **Mary Ann Kepchar**.

In need of something to munch, I went to WARD'S candy counter, where **Judy Cunningham**, **Camille Delich** and **Molly Lyon** were eating candy. **Shirley Wells** and **Sharon Brown** also stopped to buy a twelve pound box of candy to eat while working. I bought a twelve pound box of candy too. Of course I didn't carry it myself, I had **Mary Ann Szymanski** and **Diane Solomon** get some boys to deliver it to my hive.

As I came out of Ward's, I flew into MELLICK'S and purchased a little hat from **Florence Favia**.

MARSHALLS was my next stop. I felt uneasy in a women's store, but **Donna Vernich** came to my rescue. I explained that I wanted to buy my mother a pair of fluffy slippers. She told me that they did not carry them, but **Bob Elliot** would gladly sell me them at BECKS.

After buying the slippers, I stopped at BELLES DRUG STORE where **Barbara Markowicz** and **Sara Northcutt** supplied me with wrapping paper.

The final stop was the VARSITY SHOP. **Don Kozicki** sold me a pair of bathing trunks for Uncle Bee Bee who lives in Florida.

Hungry again, I flew to JOHNNY'S DRIVE-IN where **Harry Kleim** was making delicious cheeseburgers.

The next morning I called J. B. Shaver MOTORS to see if they could fix my Model B Stinger-Ray. **Sue Toby** answered the phone, and to my dismay she said that there was no one to help me.

I also called TOWN RAMBLER where **Ed Agnew** advised me to go to a gas station. Since I was near SAM'S SERVICE, I buzzed in and **Dave Reid** fixed me up with a fine new stinger.

All repaired and raring to go, I fought my way through the traffic to the downtown area. I parked in the SEAR'S parking lot where **Ron Ziol** and **Gary Wilder** had saved me a place.

Passing through GORDON'S, I spotted **Carol Tanner** trying to wrap packages for **Delores Wineland** who was on her break from GRANT'S.



My next stop was HUDSON'S. **Connie Robinson** sold me the most beautiful mohair sweater for my girlfriend, **Wilma**.

Going down, I flew into the DARLING SHOP where I bought a blouse for my grandmother from **Marilyn Stilinovich**.

I also went to LYTTON'S where **Cheryl Blackwell** showed me a lovely raincoat I could wear to next year's football games.

Coming out of LYTTON'S, I collided with **Janet Plesac** who was hurrying to the GARY BEAUTY COLLEGE. I stopped at the COPPER KETTLE before I went home, and **Renee Lombardi** served me a delicious cheese pizza. While eating my lunch, I saw **Helen Pirouski**, **Donna Rebracca**, and **Lydia Trinoski** come in to eat. They were joined by **Jill Myers** who came later.

Before I went home I stopped at MERCY HOSPITAL to say hello to **Margie Roll**, **Pat Kraft**, and **Lois Luttinen**. Then I went to SPARTAN'S. **Connie Wilson** and **Dave Fisher** were straightening the Christmas cards. I also saw **Ted Dreiser** running around looking for a mop. On Wednesday I made the rounds of the grocery stores to buy my Christmas dinner. I first stopped at DICKERSON DRUGS where **Jerry Robey** sold me a two foot candy cane. At MORNINGSIDE DRUGS I picked up some red spray from **Jim Emerson** to brighten up my little nest.

Next I drove to NATIONAL. Walking in, I heard a rumble accompanied by Jingle Bells. **Paul Beaudrau** was singing while **John Bullman** was pushing him around the store in a food cart. When I asked them where **Pete Moskovich** was, they told me he was writing a letter to Santa Claus.

WISE WAY was my next destination. I wanted to buy egg-nog, but when I reached the dairy case there was none left. **Bruce Gullede** informed me that **Doug Mann** had drunk all of it.

I then went to EDMAR to see **Marvene Sebben**, but she was busy checking out people's groceries. My, it seemed as if everyone was buying his turkey that day, because the meat counter was packed. Of course I had the advantage over them because I could fly. As I buzzed around the corner, **Wayne Dombroski** knocked me over with a load of candy canes. **Holger Appelhagen** picked me up and suggested that Wayne be more careful.

Plum pudding has always been my favorite so I went to BUY LOW to get some. **Roger Taylor** was stocking shelves and tossing a basketball to **Jerry Wisz** at the same time. **Linda Kirpatrick** sold me the pudding mix along with her own special recipe.

For ice cream I went to the SUGAR BOWL. **Ann Libak** was taking orders at the soda counter. **Pat Martin** had just ordered a banana split. She had finished at GENERAL FINANCE COMPANY and was hungry. Ann was cleaning up when **Dominic Albano** came in and ordered two strawberry sodas. Dom had gotten off work at GLEN PARK BAKERY and ZEREALAS TITLE.

My last stop for Wednesday was MERRI-BOWL where I stopped to say hello and wish **Sandy De Gaetano** a Merry Christmas. **Terry Baranyas**, **Rich Brown**, **Ron Bromberk**, and **Jim Mikusivich** were all bowling in the 200's.

With all my shopping done, I'll be able to relax and enjoy the festivities next week. Aunt Bee and Wilma and the rest of the family will be coming over for Christmas dinner. Wilma and I will attend the Holiday Tourney December 27 and 28.

Along with the PHILOSOPHER staff, I would like to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

STEVIE STINGER

Season Customs Passed By Generations Make These Spirited Christmases Of Today

Christmas time is one of the most festive and joyous times of the year. People all over the world celebrate the birth of the Christ child in one way or another. To make the season more spirited customs have been handed down from generations from one century to the next.

CAROLS

Traditional songs, called carols, add to the beauty, fellowship, and festivities of the Christmas season. They first originated as early church hymns while outdoor caroling started during the Middle Ages when groups of people went from house to house to sing by torchlight.

CHRISTMAS TREE

The use of a Christmas tree was first mentioned in a German Chronicle in 1605, but Martin Luther, the religious leader, started the custom much earlier by putting candles on an evergreen to represent the stars on Christmas.



And It Came To Pass

And it came to pass in those days that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed. And Joseph with his espoused wife, Mary, went to the LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM to be taxed. On that SILENT NIGHT it was accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her first born son, wrapped in swaddling clothes, and laid him AWAY IN A MANGER because there was no room for them in the inn.

WHILE SHEPHERDS WATCHED THEIR FLOCKS BY NIGHT, an angel of the Lord descended and said unto them "Fear not, for on this night A BABE IS BORN IN BETHLEHEM." And the shepherds asked of him, "WHAT CHILD IS THIS?" And the angel said, "Unto you is born this day a Savior which is Christ the Lord." And suddenly there was with the angels a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and singing JOY TO THE WORLD.

IT CAME UPON A MIDNIGHT CLEAR that there were wise men traveling from the East saying "WE THREE KINGS OF ORIENT ARE. Where is he that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East and have come to worship him."

And all came in haste and found Mary and Joseph and the babe, who was lying in a manger. And all praised God and made it known abroad that which was told them of the Christ Child.

With apologies to
Saints Mathew and Luke

A Dream Comes True

There she was
All alone and blue,
For she was so little
There was nothing for her to do.
Her ferns were strong
And proudly she stood,
But, alas, all this
Did her absolutely no good.
Why, oh why!
Won't someone buy me
So I can be decorated
Like all Christmas trees?
It was the day before Christmas
Her hopes started to fade,
Then a boy and his dad bought her
At last she was saved.
She was placed on a pedestal
In the middle of the room,
An angel perched on top,
She felt like a flower in bloom.
Lights of all colors
Were strung on her limbs,
And tinsel and bulbs
Finished the trims.
With presents strewn under her
At last she knew,
That her dreams of being a Christmas tree
Finally came true.

— Harriet Siegle

Although Luther is accredited with originating the custom, it has been said that St. Boniface, while trying to stamp out the act of sacrificing people to the oak tree, led his followers into a forest at Yule-time showed them a fir tree and said it pointed upward to the Christ child. "Take this tree into your homes", he told them "as a sign of your new worship, Christianity."

This event occurred in the 8th century.

The accepted date for the first year a Christmas tree was used in the United States was 1832, in Cambridge, Massachusetts although some unproven stories say it was at Ft. Dearborn, Illinois in 1804.

SANTA CLAUS

In a snowy house at the North Pole, lives a merry old gentleman with curly white whiskers and twinkling eyes. We call him Santa Claus or St. Nick while he is known as Pere Noel; in Germany, Kriss Kringle; in Holland, San Nicolas or Sankt Klaus. Russians await Grandfather Frost who comes on New Year's Day.

Santa's history began in Turkey. The idea is related to a wealthy old man called St. Nicholas, a very young man, who was made bishop of Myra, in Southeast Turkey. Later he became a patron of Children. Secretly, he gave three bags of gold to daughters of poor noblemen who could not afford to provide dowries for themselves.

MISTLETOE

Mistletoe played a prominent part in Germany and Norse mythology. Mistletoe was said to bring happiness, safety, and good fortune so long as it did not touch the ground. For this reason we always hang our mistletoe in a doorway, window, or chandelier.

These customs which we now observe combine to make our Christmas holidays what they now are.



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Sophomores Select Rings; Sr. Jewelry Expected Soon

CLASS RINGS

The Herf Jones Company will offer a choice of three colors for the stones of the '65 class rings. The black onyx, white pearl, or misty blue rings will be available in three sizes: small, medium, or large.

The ring committee was headed by Terry Nicksic, sophomore class president, and assisted by Mr. Harold Deverick, class sponsor. Members of the committee were Charles Birdwell, Alex Monanteras, Sharon Accetura, Mike Kappas, Skip Lazarro, Mary Szabo, Mary Skirak, Carmen Vasilio, Dickie Coican, and Steve Kulavick.

SOPHOMORE CLASS MEETING

"School Spirit" was the topic of a panel discussion presented to sophomores during a class meeting recently. Sheryl George led the panel of Sandra Siegle, Tom Miller, Ihor Woloshansky, Miss Pat Gorden, and Mr. Jack Chidsey.

SENIOR WAYS AND MEANS

The Senior Ways and Means Committee has re-ordered the notebook paper with the etching of Lew Wallace imprinted on it. It will be on sale again soon and can be bought from any senior student. The jewelry for students is also ordered and expected soon.

Pat Cullen Selected As Honorary Colonel

Pat Cullen, senior, was recently chosen as Honorary Colonel for the R.O.T.C. Judy Hodges and Nancy Razus were selected as captains.

Any junior or senior girl whose name appeared on the honor roll was eligible to qualify for the position.

There were nine girls on the list for selection. They were Gail Hartsock, Pauletta Kaleta, Janice Ritter, Barbara Markowicz, Genevieve Burcham, Carol Koontz, Nancy Razus, Judy Hodges, and Pat Cullen.

The girls selected were honored at a special Christmas dance sponsored by the R.O.T.C. at the Glen Park American Legion Post.

First Four Sections Of Annual Sent To King Publishing Co.

The first sixty-two pages of the 1963 QUILL & BLADE were sent to the Norman King Publishing Company December 19 according to Janice Thompson, editor-in-chief.

The academic, faculty, student life, and club sections were complete enough to be put into production. Carole Gaydos, Karen Thomas, Marcia Brueckheimer, Rhonda Beres, and Judy Vician are editors of these sections.

All pictures for these sections of the annual were taken by members of the photography department under the direction of Mr. George Strimbu. Jim Guist, Terry Hill, Steve Lesicko, Dave Pavol, Debby Sylvester, and Larry Kantroski snapped pictures for the opening sections of the annual.

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Drilled While You Wait
BY CHUCK HAMILTON
Professional Bowler

Clubs Plan Agendas According To Holidays Biologists Announce Top Candy Salesman

During the Christmas season the clubs plan their agendas according to the holidays. This year the clubs joined with Student Council to collect Christmas baskets for needy families.

GIRLS' CLUB

Girl's Club annual Christmas plans include a corsage sale and a stage dance. Kathy Luzzi was general chairman of the corsage sale. Assisting her on the committee were Joyce Lewontuk, Genevieve Burcham, Marilyn Brasher, Ellen Weeks, and Jeanne Allman.

Shirley Zivich and Connie Robinson were co-chairmen of the dance. Elaine Kouvelas was in charge of the decorations while Rita Mireles worked on refreshments. Jeanne Allman was responsible for entertainment and Burnadette Buer took care of tickets and chaperones. Barbara Bastian managed the cloak rooms.

WHITE CAPS

White Caps gave a Christmas party for the Crippled Children's Wing of Norton School. Each member of the club bought and wrapped a gift for the child whose name each had previously chosen. These gifts were distributed by Santa Claus, portrayed by Serge Mizerak. The children, whose ages ran from six to seventeen years old, were served punch and cookies.

G.A.A.

Members of the Horace Mann and Wallace G.A.A. had their annual Christmas spread. After eating a dinner of roast beef, rolls, salad, vegetables, milk, and dessert, the girls danced and sang Christmas carols. Loretta Starzynski was in charge of the games. Santa Claus was the guest of honor and brought gifts for the club sponsors, Miss Mary Sharp and Miss Sychalski from Horace Mann. Other committees were headed by Jo Ann Wrobel, Judy Pall, publicity; Christine Svetanoff, Carol Tarter, name tags; Carol Tarter, Pat Carich, programs; and Mary Ann Szymanski, tickets.

SPANISH CLUB

Spanish club's activities included having a Mexican Christmas party and making pinatas. Pinatas are clay jugs decorated to resemble animals, filled with candy, and hung from the ceiling at a Mexican fiesta. The children, blindfolded, take turns trying to break the jug. For several years the club has made pinatas and given one to the Orphan's Home and used one at their Christmas party.

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Frosh Lead With Forty Four "B" Averages As Honor Roll Is Posted For Second Time

At the end of the second grade period when the honor roll was posted, the freshmen lead with 44 B averages. Mary Markowicz, Sandra Taylor, Rich Fodemski, Caryl Brueckheimer, Mary L. Davis, and Frank Panchak received all A's.

FRESHMEN ON THE HONOR ROLL are Lauren Baldea, Laura Chornak Bernadette Brier, Marilyn Dartz, Judy Feingerh, Joan Fesko, and Shirely Kupka.

Cheryl Lundgren, Linda Lesniak, Janice Langen, Carol Ann Kalemver, Zagorka Milich, Karen Miller, Carolyn Mallers, Louise Marquardt, Rose Mary Marciniak, and Gloria Jean Petroff are also on the honor roll.

Beverly Morrone, Stephanie Sealock, Joanna Rankovsky, Kathleen Sides, Jo Anne Szucs, Cheryl Ann Serbo, Sharon Wozniak, and Linda Watkins conclude the freshmen girls.

Rich Dalby, Sam Denning, Wendell Engelin, Steve Fressele, Ron Hilton, Robert Kopica, James Bucknan, and Greg Wardship are the freshmen boys on the list. The remaining boys include Tom Wojtan, Charles Ward, Robert Zimmerman, George Bodjainich, and Lyle Baudereau.

AMONG THE 26 SOPOMORES ON THE HONOR ROLL are Sharon Accetura, Marcia Bradon, Charlene Costo, Susan Komachak, Linda Holley, Louise Lasayko, Agnes Mrak, Barabara Sackman, Felicia Rodriguez, Mary Vassalo, Kathleen Smith, and Rose Mary Szucs.

Kay Vokurka, Cathleen Zdoblak, Charles Birdwell, David Fesko, Doug Hauser, Randy Hensor, John Johnoson, Robert Wagner, Leigh Yarnold, Diane Firme, Robert Sbespy, and Nancy Guinee conclude the list.

JUNIORS WHO QUALIFIED are Linda Anderson, Mary Jo Boylan, Marilyn Brasher, Gee Gee Burcham, Carol Kocevar, Elaine Kouvelas, Carol Koontz, Kathleen Hydo, Georgeanne Mandich, and Sandy McNeil.

Others on the list include Harriet Seigle, Dorothy Wojtan, Tira Yermack, Steve Bartosh, John Blake, Paul Eichstead, William Davis, William Dinwoodie, Greg Dimos, James Skorich, and Mike Smith.

Those who also made it are Pete Vasil, Dave Horbovetz, Mike Kennedy, Larry Morgan, Rich Oracheff, Jim Schultz, Steve Kurowski, Bob Kusmierczyk, and Edmond Majeski.

SENIORS WHO MADE THE HONOR ROLL include Mary Cass, Andrea Cokusis, Diana Drag, Mary E. Davis, Carol Gyure, Lorraine Cortina, Pat Cullen, Betty Lou Cook, Carol Gaydos, and Becky Guess.

Harriet Day, Karen Danko, Paulette Kaletta, Mary Leon, Roni Jelusich, Gail Hartsock, Linda Komisarck, Barbara Markowicz, Linda Mason, Louise Pattee, Beryl Smith and Mary Kay Matthews also made all A's and B's.

Marilyn Stewart, Marvene Sebben, Karen Thomas, Janice Thompson, Nancy Tichansky, Judy Vician, Tirna Tyler, Tom Buller, Fred Grubar, Bob Martin, Joe Randolph, John Solvich, and Larry Pattee conclude the list of seniors.

Shower Room . Shorts

Santa Visits The Shower Room And Brings Goodies To All The Nice Little Athletes

Merry Chirstmas from I.M. Grubby! Since football has long been put to rest, I have the unusual job of being waterboy to the swimming, basketball, and wrestling teams.

The teams are currently preparing for Chirstmas.

At Memorial Audiotrium I saw **Tom Linger**, and **Joe Martin** decorating **Roger Taylor** and **Dennis Litherland** as king-size Christmas trees by gluing evergreens to their long limbs and hanging multi-colored basketballs as ornaments on the evergreens.

Coach Polly was dressed up as one of Santa's helpers and was distributing plays for the team to learn for the Holiday Tourney, while **Bob Malinich** cheerfully decorated the backboards with holly and mistletoe hoping to catch some poor, innocent cheerleader unawares.

On the bench pulling on his shoes, I found **Art Yagodnik** saying that the cost of pool was so high that he decided to ask jolly old Saint Nick to smuggle a pool table down the chimney for him.

Sitting next to Art was **Bill Welsh** who was also putting on his shoes. He seemed to be having some trouble. I heard Bill mumble something about asking for a bigger size in gym shoes for Christmas.

In the other corner I observed **Sonny Armato** splashing around in the sink. He told me that his second goal in sports, next to basketball, was to be able to swim. Sonny is going to ask for a book called **How to Swim** so he can be just like a fish. As I walked across the room. I was almost run over by **Fred Grubar**, who was late, as usual. All that Fred wants for Christmas is a little time to rest up between sports and school activities. While Fred quickly started dressing. I sat down and had a talk with **John Hady**. Latin, car keys, Latin and car keys was all I could get out of him.

The last fellow I had a chance to talk with was **Dave Triplo**. Dave told me htat he was going to ask Santa Claus if he has anything for cleaning eggs. It seems that Dave had some problems left over from Hallowe'en.

Leaving Memorial, I proceeded to another job in the east gym where **Coach Rykovich** was practicing with his wrestlers.

Between push-ups **Ron Renfro** and **Jim Quantz** were arguing about who could more fittingly play Santa Claus. Ron won the job of playing the jolly fat man.

Coach Rykovich was in one of the corners with **Rick Hurey**, **Bob Hurey**, **Don Fisher**, **Larry Morgan**, and **Gary Wilk**. Coach was treating the boys to a Chirstmas tea and crumpet party. Coach asked the boys what they wanted for Christmas and Fisher replied, "Just a drink of water." When asked what he wanted, coach replied, "Just some wrestlers."

Continuing to the swimming pool, I opened the door to see **Coach Ed Troy** being pulled through the pool in a rubber life raft by some of his mermen.

Coach Troy was playing Santa to the team with **Mike Triplo**, **Jim Qualizza**, **Bob Martin**, **Bill Ilgen**, and **Bill Green** acting as his reindeer. **Vic Charleson** was leading the pack by acting as Rudolph, the Red Nose Reindeer.

Now that I've informed you how the teams are celebrating Christmas, I hope that all you loyal Hornet fans have a Merry Christmas and I hope that Santa reads this issue of the PHILOSOPHER and fulfills the wishes of the teams.

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Intramural Program Begins Tentative Plans Announced

The intramural program, which has been under way since the beginning of school, has just closed the initial sport of the season, flag football.

Class 56, which was under the direction of Mr. Hugh Porter, defeated class 52 for the championship in a sudden death overtime game. Those boys who participated in this game were Dave Hecker, Ron Freeman, Dan Flowers, Karol Golka, Mike Gutesha, Bob Galambus, Al Eisenmenger, Robin Fernandez, John Fernandez, Chuck Garrison, and Terry Guthrie.

Mr. Kenneth Chaney, director of the program, announced tentative plans for the winter season.

He stated that basketball would be offered within a few weeks at the Melton School gymnasium on Monday and Friday evenings. There are also plans for a bowling league which will participate in tournament play. It is also hoped that a swimming program can be started, but this will depend on the availability of the pool.

Coach's Statement Proven; Mermen Suffer Four Losses

As the swimming season opened, the statement made by Coach Ed Troy about the Mermen being in the process of a building year was proved true.

The swimmers' first meet was against South Bend Washington. The outcome of this meet was Wallace, 37, South Bend, 57.

The team had three other meets in addition to this one. They were Penn Township, 57, Wallace, 42; and Thornton Fractional North, 62, Wallace, 33.

Despite the losses, the team has been looking up. Dave Ponzo, Jim McNiece, and George Foley are freshmen swimming on the varsity squad. Promising sophomores are Joe Stark, George Buzvis, and Ben Gatch.

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Hornet Netmen Bill Welsh (43), Roger Taylor, and Art Yagodnik (13) seem to be jumping for joy as Bob Malinich shoots for another two pointer during the Wirt game.

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Hornet Highlights

Netmen Give Indications Of Improvement; Troopers Of Wirt Fall To Hornets, 50 - 33

Improvement was observed recently in the Netmen with their 50-33 victory over the Troopers of Wirt. The boys are recovering from their two crushing defeats at the hands of South Bend Adams and Gary Roosevelt.

—HH—

In the South Bend Adams game the Hornets were overcome by the South Bend boys' superior speed. It seemed as though Adams couldn't miss any shots from the field.

The Hornets' dilemma was just the opposite. They couldn't seem to hit anything.

—HH—

Gary Roosevelt had speed. They gained the lead from the first basket and stayed ahead for the entire game.

The Panthers literally wore the Hornets down. They had a second team which was almost as good as the first, and Coach Mallard used them throughout much of the game when he decided that the first squad needed a rest. The Hornets began to show the strain in the quarter when the Panthers completely took over.

The Hornets very rarely broke the Panther defense which kept them away from the basket for almost the entire game. The Panthers controlled the ball at all times.

Finally, against the Wirt Troopers, the Hornets snatched their first victory. In this game they used their height and controlled the backboards.

The Hornets went ahead early in the game and remained ahead as they slowly lengthened their lead. Roger Taylor, Bill Welch, and Fred Grubar starred on the backboards, bringing down most of the rebounds.

—HH—

Coach Rykovich has really been putting the grapplers' noses to the grindstone. Some days the team practices once in the afternoon and once in the evening.

He has been working the boys hard to get them ready for their rough schedule against the teams of Tolleston, Roosevelt, and Hammond High.

The wrestlers have been working on take downs and new holds, because the theory is that the man who gets the first take-down usually wins the match.

Matmen's Drills Pay Off; E. G. Eagles Downed, 42 - 17

The Lew Wallace wrestling team, which is now in its second year as an interscholastic sport, started its season in good form with the defeat of East Gary Edison, 42-17. Both teams gave a fine exhibition of wrestling skill in this meet, with almost every match ending with a pin.

The matmen also gave two fine showings when they grappled with Hammond Clark and Gary Roosevelt.

Many more boys have shown interest in the sport this year than they did last year with the majority of the team being made up of freshmen and sophomores. There are also five juniors, three of whom are returning lettermen, and one senior, Don Fisher, also a letterman.

When asked what he thought of this year's team Coach Rykovich made this reply, "I'm pleased with this year's turnout since we have had some 38 boys out. I think that last year's wrestlers have improved a great deal, but again it will be the more experienced teams that hurt us. I feel we should end up with a .500 season with a possible chance of winning a couple more meets.

Most of the new boys are interested and learning, and as long as we have this spirit we should pick up some good wrestlers from this year's group. I also believe that returning lettermen Gary Wilk, Don Fisher, Steve Kurowski, Stan Horvath, Ron Renfro, Jim Quantz, and Rick Hurey and two beginning hopefuls, Joe Croll and Jim Svetich have been doing a fine job. I am also going to keep my eye on the conference meet in hopes that we will do much better this year than we did last year."

Wrestling Schedule

Jan. 8	Marion	Here
Jan. 10	Tolleston	There
Jan. 15	Emerson	There
Jan. 18	Horace Mann	Here
Jan. 22	Griffith	Here
Jan. 24	Hammond High	Here (Reserve)

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