

# AMY PRUITT BREAKS INDEX RECORD

## McQuilkin, Rosdil, Wellnitz, and Yacura Follow Valedictorian

Amy Pruitt was recently named valedictorian of the Senior Class. Only .008 of a point separated Amy and Pat McQuilkin, the salutarian. Amy achieved an index of 4.388 which breaks Sid Spector's, the 1966 valedictorian, record of 4.3553.

The valedictorian has participated in many extracurricular activities. Among these are German Club, Klub Kem, G.A.A., and Olympians. She is treasurer of the Inter-City Student Council, president of Inkpots (last year she was vice-president), president of Senior Honor Society and has served as French Club president for two years. Amy also assisted the Annual Staff in writing copy for this year's annual. She did advance study with the Joe Berg and was vice-president of the World Affairs Forum. She attended Girls' State and visited France on an honors program during the summer of 1964.

On the various activity days, Amy received the following awards; 3 math, 2 English, 1 biology, 1 French, 1 chemistry, 1 Latin, 1 history, and 1 physics. She was awarded the NC TE award for English.

Amy is a finalist for the National Honor Society Scholarship and a semi-finalist for the National Merit Scholarship. She enjoys swimming and skiing during the winter months.

As yet, her future plans are undecided.

Pat McQuilkin ranks second in the Class of 1967 with an impressive index of 4.380.

In addition to her outstanding scholastic achievements, Pat has participated in F.T.A.,

G.A.A., Senior Honor Society, Klub Kem (she served as secretary last year), and Spanish Club. She was treasurer of German Club for two years, French and Girls' Club for one year. Pat is president of Student Council. She attended the IIT National Science Foundation Math Program. In 1966, Pat went to Germany on an honors program.

Her freshman year, Pat received awards for English, math, German, and G.A.A. She received a biology award her sophomore year and a Student Council and F.T.A. award her junior year. Pat is a semi-finalist for the National Merit Scholarship.

Swimming and ice skating are two of Pat's favorite past-times.

The future still lies undecided for Pat although she plans to attend the University of Chicago.

With an index of 4.152 Donald Rosdil is third in his class. Don has been active in Olympians, Los Amigos, and the Senior Honor Society. He takes an active interest in the Gary Advance Study Program or Joe Berg.

Don lists math and psychology as his favorite subjects. He also enjoys writing poetry. He received a math and history award during his freshman year.

He is a finalist for the National Honor Society Scholarship. Don plans to attend Purdue where he will continue his studies in math.

Bill Wellnitz has an outstanding index of 4.091 which places him fourth in his class. Serving as vice-president of

German Club and secretary of the Senior Honor Society have helped to keep Bill always on the run. Basketball, swimming, track and tennis keep Bill in good physical condition. He majored in swimming and tennis. Bill has also participated in Olympians, Boys' Club, Student Council, Joe Berg, and Club "W".

He was awarded for outstanding achievement in biology and algebra during his freshman year.

Bill attended Boys' State last summer. During the summer of his sophomore year, he attended the Math Institute at Indiana University.

Math and German rank as his favorite subjects. He enjoys playing cards, collecting stamps and sports.

Bill plans to attend Cornell University where he will major in oceanography.

An index of 4.069 places Irene Yacura fifth in the senior class.

Throughout high school, Irene has been active in many clubs. Among these are Inkpots, Auditorium Council, Girls' Club, Booster Club, G.A.A., F.T.A. and Senior Honor Society. She is editor of the Annual and president of Quill and Scroll. Irene was also treasurer of her junior class.

She received awards in math, English, French, World History, and Journalism.

Irene lists French and English as her favorite subjects. She enjoys sewing.

DePauw or Saint Xavier will be Irene's home next year.

The Top Five are to be commended on their achievement of a better than perfect index



Pictured above receiving the news of their top-five ratings from Mr. Vorwald are Amy Pruitt, Bill Wellnitz, Pat McQuilkin, Don Rosdil and Irene Yacura.

with a heavy schedule of extracurricular activities. The valedictorian and the salutarian both passed Sid Spector's old record. Last year's top five had the following indexes; Sid Spector, 4.3553; Linda Lesniak, 4.3230; Mary Markowicz, 4.26-

42; Janice Langan, 4.2149; Craig Wardrip, 4.2082. It is interesting to note that Craig Wardrip, fifth in the class of 1966, had an index higher than all but the top two in the class of 1967.

## DECA Club Grabs Regional Honors

Senior and Junior Distributive Education students made a great showing at the third annual regional contests held on March 8, at Hammond Technical Vocational High School. This was the first time in history that Lew Wallace walked off with ten out of eleven awards. Five of the ten winners are eligible for state competition in Bloomington, Indiana, on April 1, 1967.

The winners on the Senior level were Judy Boylan, first place, Public Speaking; John Lashenik, third place, Ad Layout; Dennis Misora, third place, Display Judging; Chris Stewart, third place, Sales Demonstra-

tion; Diane Mayner, third place, Club Sweetheart; Judy Boylan, first place, D.E. student of the year.

On the associate level the winners were Chris Dybas, first place, Ad Layout; Fred Spicer, first place, Sales Demonstration; Fred Blatz, second place, Public Speaking; Maryann Pitula, third place, Display Judging.

Mr. Calvert from the South Bend City Schools commented, "We didn't stand a chance against the Wallace students."

They all did a great job and Lew Wallace should be proud of the name the D.E. students made for them.



# Philosopher

— of Lew Wallace





# Accepted or Rejected?

NEW YORK — The high school transcript is more important than any other factor — including College Board scores — when it comes to getting into college.

This is one fact agreed upon by three college admissions directors interviewed by David Klein for a special feature in the February *Seventeen*. But on many other points, the representatives of the three schools — Wellesley, a small, private, eastern women's college; the University of Michigan, one of the best of the state universities; and Oberlin College, a small, coeducational school — reveal differing views.

Wellesley and Oberlin look for girls who are creative, talented, and have some special interests in which they are truly involved. Both favor advanced placement courses in high school — even if the result is a C — and at times will over-

look an irregular record when a girl has certain strong talents and abilities. These schools are rated as about equally selective (Radcliffe and Swarthmore are much more so).

The University of Michigan, which is less selective than Wellesley or Oberlin, tries to find out what ability is important to a girl and whether she has learned to use it. A student with superior abilities and inferior record is "in trouble." This university wants an "overall good record" and feels that a C "would be practically a failure."

Records show that Wellesley admits about one out of six applicants, Oberlin one of three, and Michigan four out of five in-state residents and two-fifths of the out-of-state applicants.

Do the colleges distinguish between graduates of private and public schools? Wellesley

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says no; "in the class of 1959, approximately 60 percent were from public schools, 36 percent from private." But since 10 students from public high schools apply to college to one student from prep school, it means that Wellesley admits almost four times as many private school students as it would if it looked at applicants "blindfolded."

Oberlin, which says that with a private school, which may be more selective in the first place, you "can go further down in the class," admits almost twice as many prep students relatively. Michigan has a "very small percentage" of private school applicants.

How much weight is given to extracurricular activities? All three schools prefer a girl who has been deeply involved in a few activities, rather than one who joined almost everything. Wellesley says: "As for the girl who likes to be by herself — to read and think — we would not turn her down . . . it's almost a plus . . ."

Is an interview required? Wellesley says yes, but girls who live at a distance can request an interview with the alumnae representative in their area. The others do not require interviews, but Oberlin urges students to visit the campus "for their own purposes and for ours."

How about alumni children? Wellesley and Oberlin give preference to sons and daughters of alumni, and Michigan does when it comes to out-of-staters.

All three schools agree that the geographic location of an applicant's home town affects her chances (they want the whole country represented), letters of recommendation carry little weight, possible choice of future occupation is not important, and need for financial assistance has no bearing on admission.

## Sr. Talent Displayed

The Senior Recital is to be held on Sunday, April 9, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Admission is free and all parents and friends are encouraged to attend.

This recital is presented annually, and is sponsored by the Band, Orchestra, and Choral Departments. Its purpose is to provide an opportunity for seniors to display their talents and to let underclassmen see that honor may be earned. Auditions are performed before members of the music staff at Wallace and Supervisor of Music for the Gary Public Schools. These auditions were held on Thursday, March 16, after school.

Some of the potential recitalists include: Gordon Lynde, tenor; Matilda Glidewell, violinist; and Michelle Stipanovich, pianist. In addition, a string ensemble, under the direction of Mr. Simons; and the Chamber Choir, directed by Mr. Fissinger, will sing a few numbers. Commencement soloists will also be announced at the recital.

## From The Editor's Desk . . . For Seniors Only!

Only forty more days! We're all starting to feel the beginning of one of the most hectic, but also the most memorable times of our lives. After being measured for caps and gowns, ordering commencement announcements, and starting to make plans for the prom, we begin to see that our twelve years of work and learning are coming to an end. Our graduation which we have dreamed of for years is now slowly becoming a reality. Feelings at this time are mixed. Some of us feel that the sooner we're out, the better. Others of us feel that we should hang onto every minute that is left. The general feeling of those who have graduated is that those four years were the greatest ever.

There are certain outstanding activities which will provide us with fond memories in years to come. The success of these events depends on us, the seniors. Perhaps, now is a late date to begin, but in our last forty

days, let's try to make the "class of '67" a most outstanding class.

One event which has not received the support it deserves is the Senior Prom. The number of students planning on going to the Prom greatly outweighs the number supporting it. If we want a successful Prom, we should begin taking the work involved seriously.

In this way, as well as in other ways, let's make our last forty days memorable and worthwhile ones.

Seniors:  
ONLY 40 MORE  
DAYS LEFT  
OF SCHOOL

## Scoop Scope by Chez

Attention junior boys: Better start asking the girl of your choice (while or if there is a choice) before they start asking you. Go ahead, take the pressure off.

Speaking of pressure, seniors, our prom is just around the corner. It'll be the time of our lives. You had best start asking about now. (Let the boys do the asking, girls) And girls, if you have your doubts, don't worry, he'll come around when the time comes.

Dan Corona is on a diet, hard-boiled eggs are all he eats anymore; but then in the cafeteria there's ice cream. Let's all help the poor boy in his attempt . . . Louis Muniz went down on his side in the snow and slush in front of the school while trying to dodge Allen "the K" Kepchar's near-flattening snowball. Louis wasn't too happy about it; it took three

guys to haul his hands from around Allen's throat.

March birthday greetings to Ed Zdobylak (1), Eileen Robinson (2), Mike Adams (3), Pat Axtman (4), (from Dick), Jean McDonald (5), Millie Bursac (6), Charlene Dembowski (8), Mike Evon (9), Mike Thomas (10), Josephine Penzato (11), (from Pam), Cindy Jordan (12), Gary Liedtke (12), Barb Liedtke (13), Carolyn Benedict (14), Georgene Makivich (15), Janet Sanlhez (16), Dan Corona (17), from the "men"), Kris Elibasich (18), Ken Knight (19), Gayle Powers (20), Janet Henderson (21), Janice Adank (23), Karen Holtzman (24), Kathy Cozmanoff (25), (from your pal), Pam Marley (26), Kathy McLaughlin (27), John Lashenik (28), Marian Perdomo (29), Mark Flud (30), and Chris Rudic (31), (from Mick).

General news: The feud between several junior girls is really getting out of hand . . . We're all glad to see Mrs. Welsh back after a six-week operation recovery . . . Mike Adams bowled a 285! . . . in three games, that is . . . "Cool Ed" Niketh to the barber union: "I will bury you . . . The '68 Philosopher-Quill and Blade staff has been announced . . . Mr. Molchan broke For Knox during S.O.S. . . . Janice Liedtke is a prune . . . Maggie Rudic's house got it two days running . . . Della Banks got her license; watch out . . . The Quill and Blade is finished and waiting.

Latest predictions: Pam Grugevich and Marlene Swan will invent a diet pizza . . . Sally Richards will blow up the chemistry lab . . . Checkers will become the fad during intermissions at the drive-in.

Opinion poll: Seniors: I wish I was a little freshman again; Juniors: All junior girls should go to the prom (hint); Sophomores: We want new class rings; Freshmen: I can't wait to be a big senior.



Pictured above is one of the first place winners, Homeroom 43. They tied with Homeroom 86.

## 14 Homerooms Sing

Sounds of "harmony" were heard during first hour on Thursday, March 16, as the Girls' Club Sing was underway in the main auditorium.

Fourteen girls' homerooms, from all four grade levels, participated in this annual spring event. The girls had been practicing since January and their hard work paid off in their final productions. A variety of costumes and songs were presented.

Homerooms that participated and their songs are 86, "If We Only Had a Brain"; 85, "I'm an Old Cow Hand"; 83, "Spring is in the Air"; 65, "By the Sea"; 63, "Chim Chim Cheree"; 62, "The Lion Sleeps Tonight"; 60, "I Think We're Along Now"; 49, "Leader of the Laundromat"; 46, "Stranded in the Jungle"; 45, "Calender Girl"; 43, "Ahab the Arab"; 29 A, "Bang Bang"; 26, "Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious"; 22, "Georgie Girl".

Props and costumes included camels, trees, desert characters, jungle pots, natives, drums, seaside bathers, cowboys, Mexican gauchos, a violinist, a London band, and chimney sweeps.

Mr. Fissinger, Mrs. Busby, and Mr. Darby were judges for the event. Each homeroom was rated from one (lowest) to ten (highest) on the following points: presentation, enthusiasm, general appearance, diction, effect, audience response, tempo, harmony, originality and novelty. The first five homerooms with the highest amount of points placed and received certificates of recognition.

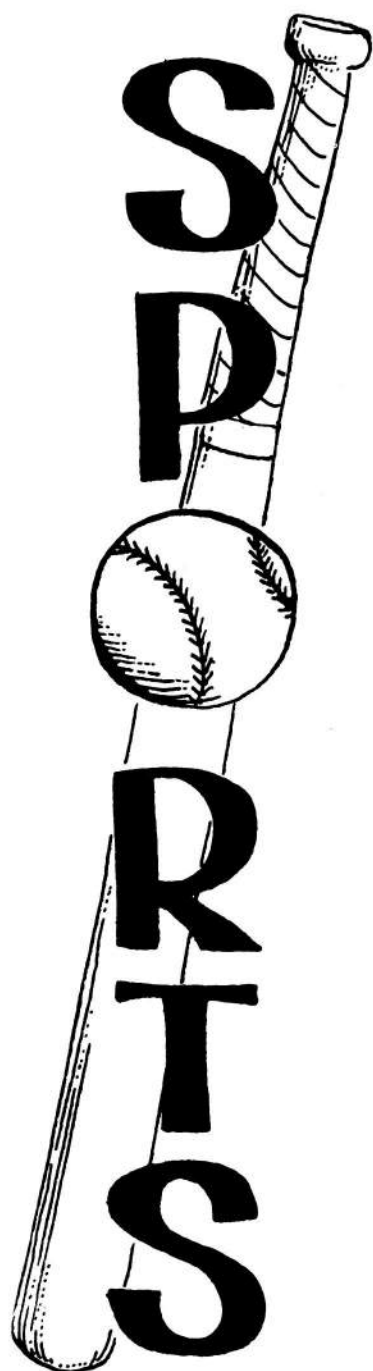
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## Happy Easter



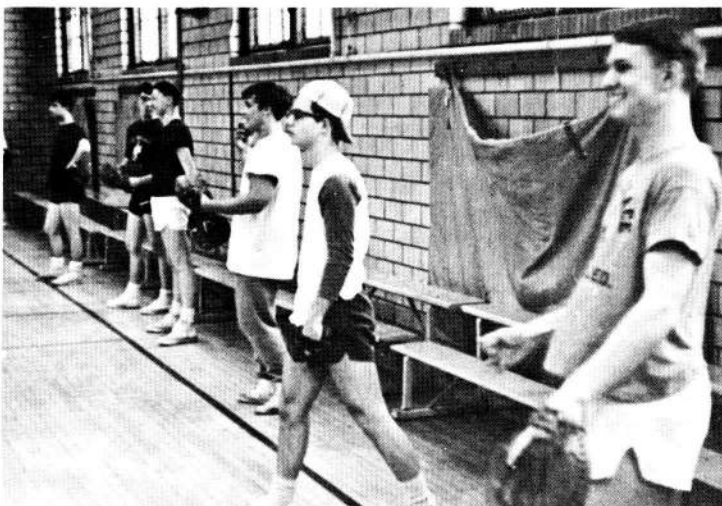


## MOST VALUABLE BASKETBALL PLAYER

Please cut out and vote for the senior basketball player of your choice. The boys that are eligible for this honor are:

..... JOE BRAVO	..... ARIS PSIMOS
..... TOM MANDON	..... DAVE SHELBOURNE
..... GENE MARK	..... STEVE ZAKULA

Return this ballot to the ballot box in room 214, today.



Members of the Lew Wallace baseball team practice for their upcoming season.

## MARTIN'S BATMEN BEGIN LONG HAUL TOWARD FIRST INDIANA TOURNEY

Coach Larry Martin's batmen are ready and willing to bring yet another conference crown to Lew Wallace during the 1966-'67 school year. The eager young men have good reason to hope for conference laurels in so much as a fine winning tradition has been apparent all

throughout Coach Martin's reign as head coach of the baseball team. His fine ten year record of six divisional crowns and one conference title speaks for itself.

The air of optimism surrounding the baseball team seems justified because of the fine nucleus of returning lettermen from last year's squad. I hope this will help the casual observer to know a little bit about the baseball team.

Senior catcher and three year letterman, Dave Shelbourne should be a steadying influence on this season's young pitchers. Dave is a congenial and stout six footer weighing in at 190 pounds. Being a three sport man keeps Dave busy and his strong and accurate arm will be greatly respected by the opposition.

Another reason for optimism in this year's Hornets Nest is

Bill Johnston, senior ace pitcher. Bill was also the number one moundsman of last season. Bill is a wiry six footer weighing about 170 pounds. His side-arm delivery is very difficult to hit against. When "Big Bill" is putting the ball where he wants to put it there is no better pitcher in the conference.

A third hope for success lies on the broad shoulders of Dave Kaminski, senior pitcher. Dave had unfortunate luck last season by breaking his wrist during pre-season training. He came back to top from late in the year to post a masterful 1-0 shutout victory over Froebel. Dave is a fine competitor and a good student as well.

Rich Rectenwall is another of Coach Martin's returning hurlers. He has a fine sense for the game and plenty of "stuff" on the ball. Rich figures to be a backup man for the starters this season as well as starting in spot assignments.

This young man is a hard worker and he could work himself into the starting pitcher's rotation. Rich is also a senior that practices excellence in the classroom as well as on the athletic field.

The final senior returning letterman is Tom Mandon. He played center field on a full time basis last season and had the second best batting average on the squad according to the files of the local newspaper. Tom's bat should be a welcome asset to this year's squad as well as his experience and know how. Tom assumed the lead off spot in the batting order last season and will probably again see action at that plateau.

To the above seniors this must be the year to produce a winner. This school knows what it is like to be a winner already this year and the fellas on the baseball team, especially the seniors will do everything they can to go out a winner.

## Cindermen Start Winning Ways

The 1967 edition of the Lew Wallace track team started the indoor season off with a bang by defeating the Munster Mustangs on March 13, at the indoor track of the losers. With this start the track team hopes to equal or surpass the successes enjoyed by last year's squad. Many fine athletes were graduated from last year's squad, such as: Dan Candiano, who finished third in the state finals for the mile run, and owns the Lew Wallace record over that distance; Gary Heid, who while competing in the state finals in the half mile run pulled a muscle and fell painfully to the track; Dave Ponzio, and Jim Sopko.

The hub of this year's squad is the senior class. The team will be a mostly veteran crew, all with the ability and know how to be winners. Spectacle-wearing Tom Jadnak again commands the high and low hurdles for the track team as he has done for the last four years.

His fine form enables him to excel in the highs rather than the low hurdles which is more of a footrace. Larry Slama, a winner at Munster, will return for a third crack at the 440 yard dash. Larry also plays football as well as ranking in the top 10% of his class. Husky Bob Belei runs the 100 yard dash and the 220 yard dash as well as anchoring the half mile relay team. Bob was a co-captain on the football team this past fall. Red thatched Bob Siefard is another senior returning for his final fling at track. Bob is a pole vaulter in his second year here at Wallace.

## F. B. TEAM INDULGES AGAIN

The Glen Park Chapter of the Gary Sportsmen Club will honor the 1966-67 chapter of the Lew Wallace football Hornets on Monday, March 20, at the newly built club on 40th and Grant Street. It will be a father and son affair highlighted by films of Purdue's dramatic Rose Bowl victory over Southern California's Trojans by the smallest of margins 14-13. Purdue's head coach, Jack Molencoff, will be the guest speaker. Coach Molencoff, may also be on a little recruiting trip because the word is that he has been wooing three of the Wallace stars into attending his institution of higher learning for the next four years or so.

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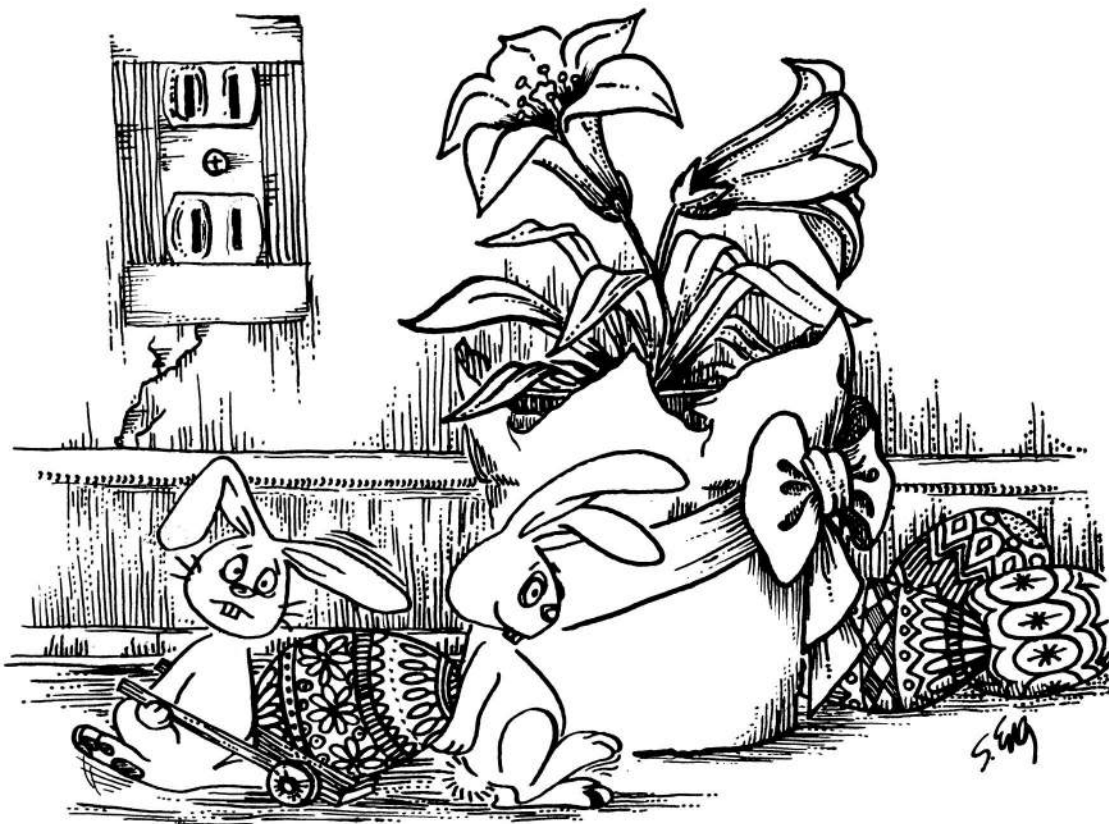
## Colored Eggs

Garnett Ann Schultz

Now Mister Bunny thought it fun . . . To fill his baskets one by one . . . With colored eggs so very bright . . . To bring a little heart delight . . . He tucked them in, a red, a green . . . And then a yellow in between . . . He's off upon his merry way . . . To hide his eggs for Easter day.

Now Mister Bunny feels so proud . . . This special chore that he's allowed . . . To think that in the nighttime dim . . . So many chillren wait for him . . . And love his very nice surprise . . . Of eggs all done with colored dyes . . . So bright each basket he'll adorn . . . For little ones on Easter morn.

Now Mister Bunny hops along . . . And in his heart you'll find a song . . . His cart is really laden down . . . To visit every street and town . . . To country lane or village fair . . . He brings us Easter everywhere . . . A visit to you he has planned . . . With colored eggs from Bunnyland.



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Dear Editor,

It is a tradition in our school that the top 10% of the senior class graduates before the rest of the class. This is done in order to give recognition to the students who have received honor grades throughout their four years of high school. I would like to see the top 10% graduate by rank and not by alphabetical order in order to give just recognition to those students who ranked third, fourth, fifth, etc. If this is done

this year, a new tradition which would further recognize scholarship would be started at our school.

A Senior

**Editor's Note:**  
First of all, it is the honor students, not the top 10% of the class who precede the rest of the class at Commencement. The criteria for becoming an honor student consists of attaining a 3.0 average or above. Perhaps the third, fourth, fifth, in the class might receive some deserved recognition, however, the students ranking lowest in the honor students would feel somewhat degraded by this. It is the decision of the administration to to continue the tradition at Lew Wallace of naming the valedictorian and salutatorian, and having the honor students' names appear following this in alphabetical order.

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