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Wizard Cast And Crew Prepare For Opening

Greg Johnson

"With an enthusiastic cast, aggressive and well informed crew members, spectacular technical equipment, and a fresh new approach with lots of magic, the show will not only appeal to children, but to high school students and adults as well," remarked Mr. Kurt Kinde, director of the spring musical, The Wizard of Oz.

The play will be presented on April 18, 19, 25 and 26 at 8:00 pm and Saturday matinees will be presented on April 19 and 26 at 2:00 pm in the NHS auditorium.

The play will in-

troduce new technical equipment unprecedented on the Northville stage, such as animated

projected scenery, quad sound effects and special chemical and lighting effects.

Peggy Sitarski was cast as Dorothy with Chris Bueter as the Scarecrow, Kevin Sullivan as the Tin Woodsman and Rob Buttery as the Cowardly Lion. Suzie Evans will play the Good Witch from

the North, Johanna McLaren the Wicked Witch and Greg Johnson, The Wizard of Oz.

Other cast members include; Aunt Em, Stacey Wedge; Uncle

Henry, Jaymie Schrot; Munchkin Mayor, Alex Kalota; First Witch,

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SEE WIZARD OF OZ

Forensic Finalists Ready To Compete

Janice Nyquist

"It's a really hard working group," commented Ms. Mary Freydl, NHS forensic coach, of this year's forensic team. First and second place winners were chosen recently from each forensic category.

Judging for the school forensic winners took place after several weeks of individual coaching. Ms. Freydl is the coach and is assisted by Ms. Dorrian, Mr. Bourgeois and Ms. Dwyer. Members of the NHS faculty judged the students and chose forensic team members.

First place winner in the Informative Speaking category is Mary Knight, while Ellen Meyer took second. Girls' Oratory

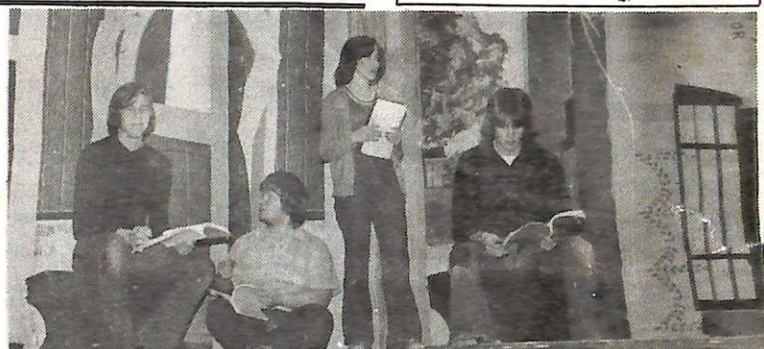
winners are Patty Adams, first place and

Diane Wilkinson, second. Jeff Stabenau is first place winner

in Boys' Extempore Speaking, followed by Harry Cikanek. In the category of Radio Broadcasting, Chris Bueter placed first and Jill Ransier took

second place. Serious Interpretative Reading winners are Devon Glenn, first and Suzie Evans, second. Dave Boor placed first in Humorous Interpretative Readings and Debbie Drewitz took second. First place winner in

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SEE FORENSIC WINNERS



PRACTICING FOR WIZARD—From l. to r. are Chris Bueter, Rob Buttery, Peggy Sitarski and Kevin Sullivan.

Yearbook Hits Final Deadline

Mary O'Meara

Thanks to Mrs. Wilcox and her staff, this year's Palladium will probably be one of the best yearbooks that NHS has ever had.

Mrs. Wilcox comes to us with three years of yearbook experience. She was advisor for

the Henry Ford High School's yearbook.

The yearbook's final deadline was March 10. By meeting this deadline, the finished copy of the yearbook will probably be given out at the beginning of June.

Compared to last year's Palladium, this year's will be a little bit shorter. This is due to the budget because of increased printing costs. But the staff worked hard on layouts to get the fullest extent of picture space.

Even though the

yearbook has a small staff and lacks a lot of experience, they are meeting their deadlines and haven't run into any major problems.

Some of the students

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SEE YEARBOOK

Detroit News Honors Gifted NHS Writers

Nancy Anderson

Each year at the end of February or beginning of March several students at Northville receive letters from the Detroit News. This year is no different.

Students who sent in winning pieces of work have been recognized by the Scholastic Writing Contest sponsored by the paper.

The letters gave them little infor-

mation other than congratulations on being a winner and their names and awards will appear in a Sunday edition of the Detroit News sometime in March.

Congratulations are in order for Jim Bonamici, D. Diane Riggs, Jan Jackson, Carolyn Calmes, Mary Wertheimer, Bronwyn Mills, Martha Gaitskill, Laurie Day, Paula Dyke, and Carol Mahakian.



TALENTED SPEAKERS—Forensic winners pose for MUSTANGER camera.

Here's The Scoop

Have No Fear—Jack Is Here

Negotiations for next year's teacher contract have begun. Bargaining team "biggies" are: Jack Wickens as chief negotiator, Dick Deskovitz as high school representative, Linda Moore as junior high rep., Bill Lenz as elementary school rep., and Frank Satarino as recording secretary.

"Both sides have agreed that it would be beneficial to students, teachers and administrators to have the contract settled by Aug. 1st," Wickens commented. "We'll do everything in our power to have the contract settled by that date."

News From The Underground

According to official reports, the famous groundhog did not see his shadow last Feb. 2nd. Then why the freezing temperatures? Elephants may never forget, but our figures show that Michigan groundhogs usually lie.

VENA'S VIEWPOINT

Vena Hosler

In the past the United States government has passed legislature and even fought a civil war, trying to put an end to the discrimination of minority groups. But, have we now tipped the scale of equal rights too far and gone to the other extreme?

An example of this recent tilt is evident in the area of employment.

I feel being equal is just being fair. If this means hiring fifteen applicants from a majority group because they qualify above the minority applicants, or hiring fifteen from a minority group because they qualify above the majority--FINE! However, it is certainly not fair to hire twelve from the majority and then turn away all others because the company quota states that three of the fifteen to be hired must come from minority groupings. Regretfully, this is the present situation. People are being hired because they are from a minority group and in some situations, are hired only to fill a quota. Isn't that what we've worked to get away from?

It was a shame when college graduates from minority groups couldn't find jobs because they were discriminated against. However, it is equally wrong to hire someone from a minority group, simply to fill a quota.

Equal Opportunity?

The meaning of equal opportunity once meant that everyone had a fair 'shake'. No percentages should have to be reached and no quotas should have to be filled. We are dealing with people, not statistics. Jobs should be determined by individual qualifications and skills.

Will we ever see the day when 'equal rights' will mean just what it says and people are hired for their abilities and not because of their race or sex?

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor,

In walking into the bathroom during a Northville basketball game, I looked up at the ceiling at something that had caught my eye. Somebody had glued wads of Kleenex on the ceiling in no pattern whatsoever. Amid the wads was a message something to the effect of "call 227-5444 for a good time - ask for Boom Boom."

I wondered why there is writing on the stall doors, walls and ceiling. People write totally useless messages. Who loves who, who hates who, so and so is a bitch. Many people laugh at being told they have no pride in their school. They don't care. Is this their way of telling us that? Well, we don't

care. So leave our bathrooms alone! We don't care who loves who!

Nancy Anderson

Dear Editor,

I can't leave here without saying "Good Bye" to all of you. I've enjoyed working with you this past year and I'll miss you all. Be good kids and stay out of the halls! Love you all--

Mrs. Dennis

P.S. special messages:
1. Rick Norton & Mark Trotler: Please do something with your hair!
2. Terry Kramer: Go to all classes, and stop getting detention.
3. Tim Gordon: Try hard not to drive everyone completely crazy!

MUSTANGER

Birth Control-Shhhh!

Kim Bingley

Birth Control has been shhhhed too much! It's a topic that has been thrown under the table at home and tossed in the garbage at school. This topic needs to be brought out and laid on the line.

Methods of birth control have been practiced since Medieval times, it's not a new thing, it just hasn't been talked about openly.

I feel that there are many good reasons for birth control both in the family and classroom study at school. Birth control allows a couple to have some carefree fun before accepting the responsibilities of a family, which could involve the family mentally and financially. Health factors are another reason that a couple should practice birth control. Not only may the pregnancy be harmful to the expectant mother but the child could be born with some abnormality.

In school the topic of birth control is never discussed in the class. Sometimes the "john - conversations" will bring it up, but with only five minutes for a break the topic could never be discussed thoroughly, and when it is, it was only talked by unqualified speakers. Birth control should be taught in secondary schools. Students need to be aware of the several ways to practice birth control and the effects of each way. Sex is more open

than it has ever been and many people will experience it.

If birth control were to be studied in the schools and practiced more often under medical supervision in the home, there would be a cut down in abortions and the number of unwanted children would decrease.

People shhhh the idea of birth control because they feel if

they favor it they favor "open sex," but it is not so!!! People are going to have sex whether or not they use birth control methods. Birth control just adds a safety factor to the couples sex life.

So next time the topic of birth control is brought up for discussion, talk about it, DON'T SHHHH IT!!!

O P E N D O O R

Schools are not buildings, schools are not teachers, schools are not administrators - schools are students - good schools are students who care, bad schools are students who don't care.

Schools, like athletic teams and families, are pleasant, happy, successful places to be when the members care enough to devote their time and their creative energies to becoming involved in all aspects of the school life we share.

Last week, as most of you know, we had several students indefinitely suspended for selling and using drugs. The drug problem and its accompanying bad publicity is a black mark on the reputation of every student at Northville High School. As a few students are judged as drug users, soon the high school as a whole will be judged. This problem can not be solved by administrators and staff alone. It takes students who are the most aware of what is going on, and who are willing to become involved.

The condition of our lavatories is another example of what a few can do to the reputation of all of us. Students who see other students destroying their school should be willing to become involved in protecting what they care about. Once again the job cannot be done by teachers and administrators acting as policemen.

This year as in previous years, everyone wanted a yearbook - but when it came time to do the work, nobody wanted to spend the time. Yes, you will have a yearbook done by a few loyal students, the same few who seem to do everything.

The real question, I guess, is do you want to be a society of doers, or do you want to be a person who is "done for?" So much is said these days about self-determination, student choices, and people having freedom to govern their own lives through direct participation in the decisions effecting them- but freedom takes time and energy. Freedom takes involvement, and the return you get on the investment of your time and energies will be in direct proportion to this investment.

So come on students - Northville High School is you. Administrators and teachers are here to help you become full participating adults, however, the decision to participate is one that can only be made by you.

Michael J. Japina

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Should Girls Be Selected Mustang Of The Week?

NO



TOM FOLINO

Isn't anything sacred anymore? Women are continually infringing on the rights of males at NHS.

The gymnasts have been constantly stealing the gymnasium from the league champion cagers. The basketball team needed to have the gym to keep up their pinpoint precision. The thinclads need the use of the whole track, so it is feasible for the girls to use the parking lot. Now the girls have their very own Mustang of the Week.

No woman is capable of competing professionally on the same level as a man. There is only one person (man) capable of holding down the job of President, so isn't it logical that only one person (man) is capable of being Mustang of the Week?

Don't tell me girls do not have coverage in the paper. They're always right there on page 2-B where they belong. Remember, women were created from man's rib. So if you're wondering why women were made second, it is because God didn't want a girl nagging Him while he was creating a Masterpiece.

YES



SANDY HIBBELN

Girl Mustang of the Week? FANTASTIC! At last we're moving in the right direction. It's about time people started noticing women athletes and their sports.

For years a special space in the Record was saved each week for that male super-jock who performed well in the game or meet. It's only right that females should be recognized, also, in their special fields--they've worked just as hard as the guys to put in their best performance possible.

Until recently, the only goal for public recognition a girl had was a 'maybe', three paragraph, small headline story, stuck in an indiscriminate place on the sports page. With the advent of Girl Mustang, however, it gives them another goal besides just winning; something to really strive for individually.

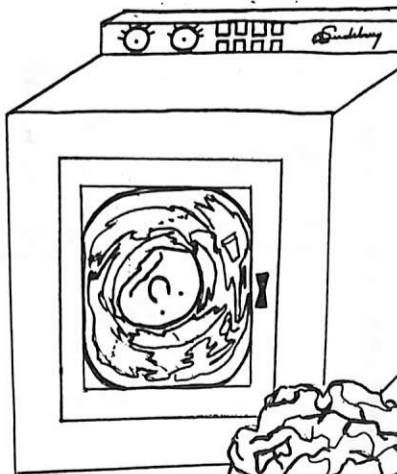
Girls deserve equal recognition with the guys, but justice has been only partially satisfied. Watch out guys--THIS IS ONLY THE BEGINNING!

2 Plus 2 = Ziggy

Saulius Mikalonis

Ziggy, a rising star in the cartoon world, was portrayed by 120 math students in a contest held by Mrs. Snodgrass.

The winner of the contest, Amy Lincoln, portrayed Ziggy caught in a dryer. Second place was taken by Jim Carmichael who portrayed Ziggy as Superman. Third place was won by Scott Spear, fourth by Amy Lincoln, and fifth by Keith Spigarelli.



THE WINNER—
A very clean Ziggy

drawn by Amy Lincoln.

Dedicated Sophomore Skates To Success

Paula Dyke

"There's a lot of freedom to skating," says sophomore Jessica Bacsanyi. "I like the individualism and the sense of accomplishment that goes along with it."

For the past year and a half, ice skating has been a way of life for Jessica. She started skating "seriously" in October of '73, and since then has become a dedicated and successful performer.

Her first attempt at competitive skating was the Tri-State Freestyle Competition, held last April, in Bowling Green, Ohio. Jessica took sixth place out of the 14 skaters in her flight (group). She recently competed in the Great Lakes Winter Skating Festival held in London, Ontario on January 18 and 19. This time, she took fourth place overall out of 14.

When it comes to practicing, it seems Jessica never stops. Three days a week she's up at 6:00 a.m. skating at Plymouth Cultural Center for two hours before school. On Tuesdays and Thursdays she returns to Plymouth to practice during her lunch hour. And every day after school she's off to the Detroit Skating Club for a solid 4-hour practice.

Jessica is coached by professional skater Tom Caribardi at the Plymouth ice rink. He worked with Jessica last summer at The Ice Box in Trenton where she trained for 10 weeks.

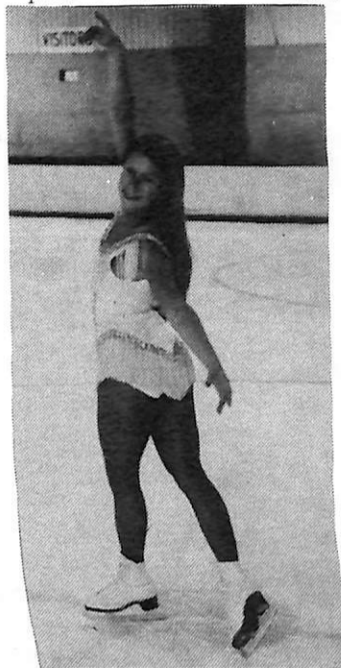
Jessica explained that to enter competition you must pass specific tests put out by the United States Figure Skating Association in two categories: "figures" and "dance." Skaters may test on various levels once a month. Once you've passed the test at a certain level you work toward passing the next highest test, and so on. In competition, skaters are grouped in flights not only by age but by test level. Judging is based on originality, smoothness of the "program" (routine) and difficulty.

Jessica has passed her "preliminary figures" and the first of eight figures tests. In the dance category, she's working on her "pre-silver" and "silver" level tests.

She plans to enter the Tri-State Competition again this year in Columbus, Ohio on April 5.

With all the practicing she does, there's hardly time for anything else in Jessica's life. But that doesn't bother her: "I love skating, and I really enjoy competition. You meet lots of other skaters, pick up ideas, and it's such good experience. But I don't think I could do any of this without my parents—they've put so much time, effort and money into my skating!"

"One thing I've learned is you can't think negative in competition or you'll ruin it. You've got to build up your confidence and always try for your best performance."



JESSICA BACSANNI

Book Review

'Helter Skelter' Worth Reading

Sherry DeSantis

It was a hot August night in 1969. Four people, under the orders of some freaked out hippie guru, entered 10050 Cielo Drive and proceeded to brutally murder the occupants consisting of one very pregnant Sharon Tate and four others. Within 24 hours two more victims had been added, Leo and Rosemary La Bianca.

And so it begins, like a bad trip, the best-selling documentation of the Manson murders, Helter Skelter. In collaboration with Curt Gentry, Prosecuting D. A. Vincent Bugliosi recreates the events of the evenings of August 9 and 10 1969 and the weeks and months that followed.

The mastermind, Charles Manson, is analyzed by Bugliosi. We learn of his fears, his obsessions and of his supposed supernatural powers. We are acquainted with his strange "Family". Employing the use of drugs, Mr. Manson manipulates his forty

freakish disciples like puppets who would do anything for him, even kill.

Mr. Bugliosi carries us through the lives of the killers, the victims, the false arrests, the apprehension, the trial and the final convictions of Manson and four Family members.

Much to our surprise we find that the LAPD did not play a large part in the capture of Manson. If not for one Family member, Susan Atkins, Manson might never have been tried. There is also a hint of humor while we read of the antics of the LA police, eradicated fingerprints, overlooked weapons, piles of bloody clothing discovered by television news crews thoroughly embarrassing authorities.

There is no happy ending to all of this. You may even be left mildly shaken by the shock of the ending, but perhaps it is better that we not feel too secure; after all, security is only a state of mind.

Stranger In Danger

Bronwyn Mills

To be involved or not to be involved, that is the question. Whether it is nobler to assist or wiser to resist is a question even Shakespeare would ponder. Being a good samaritan in this day and age could prove to be more hazardous to your health than a three pack a day habit, yet denying a helping hand to a fellow human being might prove hazardous to your conscience.

So what's an onlooker to do? Here at the Mustanger we were wondering the same thing so we asked NHS students the following:

Would you stop and help a stranger in need at the possible risk of endangering yourself?

Jim Dales (11) "Probably not because I've gotten too used to not stopping."

Laura Hunko (10) "I would have maybe helped somebody ten years ago but with the risk being so high these days I wouldn't."

Saulius Mikalonis (11) "If the stranger was female I would stop, but if the stranger was male I'd go right on by."

Mary Devereaux (9) "No, I wouldn't, because if I don't know the person, why help him if he could hurt me?"

Lori Tuggle (11) "Only if he's good looking! But I'll never tell."

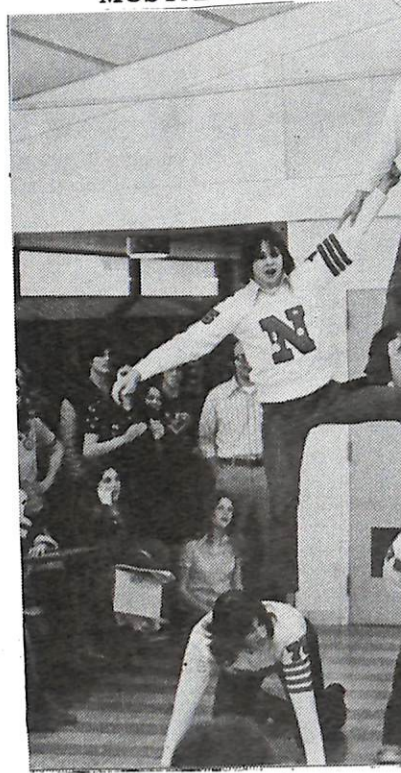
Nancy Anderson (11) "I doubt it. Why jeopardize two lives?"

Rick Huston (12) "If a person is in great need of assistance I would be glad to do it."

Dave Holland (11) "If I were in the position of the person needing the help I would want someone to come and help me. I suppose I believe in that saying from the Bible, "Do unto others..."

Jane Faustyn (10) "No, I wouldn't stop at the risk of endangering myself because I would be scared."

Jeff Guider (12) "Yes I would stop, (in most cases) but it depends on the situation."



ON THE TOP -In tune with prize winning pyramid. B. Potter, Steve Lockett, 2nd Trumbull, Jerry Fulcher.

Spirit Week

Sarah Kunst

NHS's Spirit Week, intending to bring out latent student spirit of all class and school teams, did just that! Thursday, Feb. 20, and Friday, Feb. 21, were designated for the spirit competition between the classes of '75, '76, '77, and '78 in six categories. On Thursday the

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band, pop band and the pit band for the spring musicals. Randy plays solos and par-

goals are to improve as a soloist, making "the whole sound of 100%."

I want to play my contest with a very successful turnout. There were 157 schools that entered 4, 158 works of art. From those entries 210 blue ribbons were chosen out of all the gold key winners to represent Michigan in national competition later this school year in New York City. A total of 350 gold keys and 550 certificates of merit were also awarded to outstanding young artists.

Northville's last contribution to the art contest was in 1971. Since then the number of entries from our school has more than doubled as well

Tim Gilders and Jim Bonamici were awarded gold keys for their entries in jewelry and photography. Certificates of Merit were given to Jennifer Chaffee for her entries in charcoal, watercolor and pen and ink, Julie Faustyn for her entry in tapestry and Tom Eis for his entry in jewelry. Harry Zion, Tim Gilders and Jim Bonamici also received certificates for their works in pottery.

Alternative School: A Look To The Future

Sherrie Cannon

"We're concerned with teaching kids to think; not what to think," reported Ms. Densmore when interviewed regarding the Alternative School. For two hours a day, she holds a workshop for the students. In this time students will concentrate on one of the listed "goals", they are asked to achieve before graduation.

The Alternative School just opened this January for classes. There are 32 students enrolled, in the program.

Alternative School is a practical application of life in relation to classes. This program is highly

structural, individualized, and is scholastically sound. In a combined effort, Ms. Densmore and Mr. Parko teach the Alternative School.

The students receive the same credits as a regular high school student.

Presently, the school is held in the new elementary school in Highland Lakes. Next year, when the elementary school opens, the Alternative School will have to find a new location.

As an end result, Ms. Densmore would like "People coming out feeling more confident and knowing how to think and to direct their lives better."

Ms. Densmore expects more people will enroll next year, but she won't expect more than 20 people to a class.

Freshmen On The Hill

Linda M. Gallivan

Are the freshmen returning next fall? Well many students are convinced by some rumor that they aren't going to be around next year. Sorry, but the freshmen are going to be here next year and the year after and the year after that. "The ninth grade belongs in the high school." Says Mr. Tarpinian.

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Students Journey Abroad

Jim Wright

France, Germany, and Mexico will be visited by three different language classes at Easter time.

The foreign language class going to France under Mrs. Prestel will be going to Paris and the famous castles of France. The students going are Mary Korte, Dawn Pope, Jenny Baker, Pam Spanski, Carolyn Calmes, Connie Miller, Cathy Stirm, Lynne DePalma, Linda Potter,

Debbie Mietha, Terri Smith, Krystn Van, and Sue Stec.

The German group chaperoned by Mrs. Guequierre and Sally Fletemeier will be going down the Rhine River from Amsterdam to Munchen.

The students going are Cathy Crupi, Jim Echols, Toby Roggenbuck, Donna Guard, Janis Lahr, Kelly Kampmann, Betsy Mach, Jane Mach, Lori Fox, Trish Endress, Brenda Burnstrum, Kate MacLeod, Paul MacLeod,

Terrie Baggett.

The Spanish group chaperoned by Ms. Serafa will be going to visit Mexico City, Taxco, Acapulco and the Aztec civilization.

Going will be Karyn Egeland, Sheri Allen, Eric Egeland, Melinda Rotta, Beth Katzbeck,

Julie Weyburne, Shanna Kissel, and Steve Sweeny.

All these language students will be gone for a fun filled vacation from the 28th of March to the 1st of April.

Inflation Creates Easter Bunny Crisis

Dave Heinzman

There is a possibility the Easter Bunny won't be making his usual rounds this year because inflation has hit the Easter Bunny too.

Bunny population is up, chocolate prices are up and the whole thing looks like a big mess.

I talked with Mr. E. A. Bunny, the business manager of the Peter Cottontail Candy Factory, and he

told me some startling facts.

"We've had to lay off 3,529 bunny helpers this year due to rising production costs. The problem is especially grim for those unemployed bunnies who are drawing carrot security, because carrot supplies are running out fast," said Mr. Bunny.

Another problem this year is in the delivery department. Mr. George E. Hare, delivery director told me this:

"Due to the rising cost of gas, it will be hard to deliver to every house, since we only get 78 hops to the gallon. Our founder Peter Cottontail used to make his rounds alone in one night. It's not financially rewarding to go hopping down the bunny trail in this day and age, let alone at night!"

Easter Baskets are also a problem;

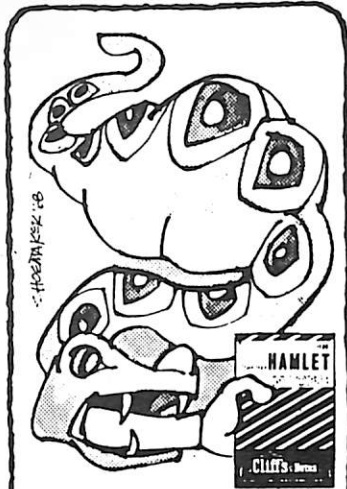
they are in short supply this year.

Peter Rabbit, President of the Cotton-tail Candy Co., explained to me about the baskets:

"Well, the area where the special basket straw is grown in Iraq was flooded this last year. The whole straw crop was completely wiped out. Sure we could substitute and use a Cellulose-fiber mixture but I hate fake Easter baskets."

"The inflation problem is the Bunny President's. He just sits around on his cotton (pickin') tail and doesn't do a thing. You know he let some Arab Bunnies buy stock in our Egg Plants (not the food)? Pretty soon they'll run the whole show and we'll be thrown out on our ears—and that's painful!"

So it looks like Easter will be canceled in the bunny field if things don't pick up economically.



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Rich Booms
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Performing throughout Europe and the United States for the past seven years they've finally decided it's time to give Detroit a taste of what they have worked so hard to refine. Their music has jumped into the top thirties in the past two months and hasn't begun to plateau yet.

I think the Average White Band concert will be one no one should miss. It promises to be a truly rewarding concert for all spectators.

In today's society there are many Rock and Roll bands competing against each other. Some use gimmicks such as ten thousand dollar light shows, and others use the homosexual approach to gain popularity. Only real bands have put a lifelong effort into their music such as the Beatles or the Rolling Stones. There is one band today which is quickly gaining popularity for their originality and musical ability—they are the Average White Band.

Robin Trower

Trower, the former lead guitarist for Procol Harum now gone solo, is very definitely firmly implanted here on earth playing very earthly music. No doubt that Trower is finally — now that he's a few albums into his solo career — doing what he does best:

ROCK -N- ROLL!

Concerts

John Entwistle MARCH 2
Masonic Auditorium (Tickets \$6.50, \$5.50, \$4.50) Available at box office, Hudson's, and Grinnell's.

Roxy Music MARCH 3
Ford Auditorium (Tickets \$6.50, \$5.50, \$4.50) Available at box office or by mail order.

Jo Jo Gunne & Argent MARCH 8
Michigan Palace (Tickets \$5.00 at Hudson's or at the door.)

Joe Walsh MARCH 10
Cobo Arena (Tickets \$6.50, & \$5.50 at box office or mail order.)

Labelle MARCH 14
Masonic Auditorium (Tickets \$6.50, \$5.50, \$4.50) Available at box office, Hudson's, Grinnell's or by mail order

B.B. King MARCH 21
Masonic Auditorium (Tickets \$7.50, \$6.50, \$5.50) Available at box office or by mail order.

Alice Cooper MARCH 28
Flint IMA Auditorium (Tickets \$7.00 & \$6.00, at box office only.)

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Robin Trower MARCH 29
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Trivia Tidbits

Bronwyn Mills

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One day this situation may occur in your life but you will be well prepared because you will know the answer to the following, "Trivia Tidbits":

1. Who were Donald Duck's nephews?
2. What were the TV names of Beaver's mom and dad on the "Leave it to Beaver" show?
3. How many dimples

- are on a golfball?
4. Who was the best friend of Doby Gillis on the "Doby Gillis Show?"
5. What was the first Beatles single released in the U.S.?
6. Who were the hosts on the "Popeye" show?
7. How many years was Annette a Mouseketeer?
8. What was the largest selling rock record in history?
9. Who played Princess Spring, Summer, Winter and Fall on the "Howdy Doody" show?
10. How many teachers in the school have widow's peaks? (Not including Mr. Trombley and Mr. Simpson.)

- Answers:
1. Huey, Dewey, and Louie
 2. Ward and June
 3. 336
 4. Maynard G. Krebs
 5. "Love Me Do"
 6. Poodeck Paul and Capt. Jolly
 7. 2 years
 8. "Rock Around the Clock" by Bill Haley
 9. Mary Tyler Moore
 10. "It's right on the tip of my tongue!"



Winners

"We have a nice blend of new and returning people," stated Coach Freydl.

Members of the forensic team will compete March 14 in the Michigan High School Forensic Association Competitions at Walled Lake Western High School. Also the team is scheduled to participate in invitational competitions March 15 at Brighton High and March 22 at Dearborn High.

Yearbook Meets Deadlines

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on this year's staff are Beth Behrend, Sheila Fasang, Shelley Millard, Ellen Meyer, Linda Shezko, Cindy Slessor, Cindy Berardi, Dave Settles, Linda Sims, Cathy Crupi, and Victor Renaud.

These students draw layouts, write copy, take and crop pictures, sell ads, worry a lot, and tear out their hair when nearing deadlines!

The theme and colors of this year's

Palladium are virtually unknown. And that's the way the staff wants to keep it.

At the end of March, the yearbook staff plans to sell extra pictures to the students and faculty.

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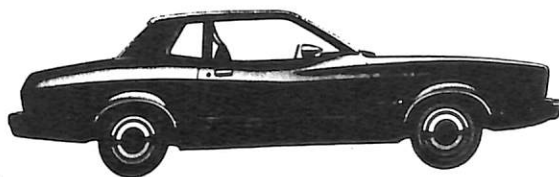
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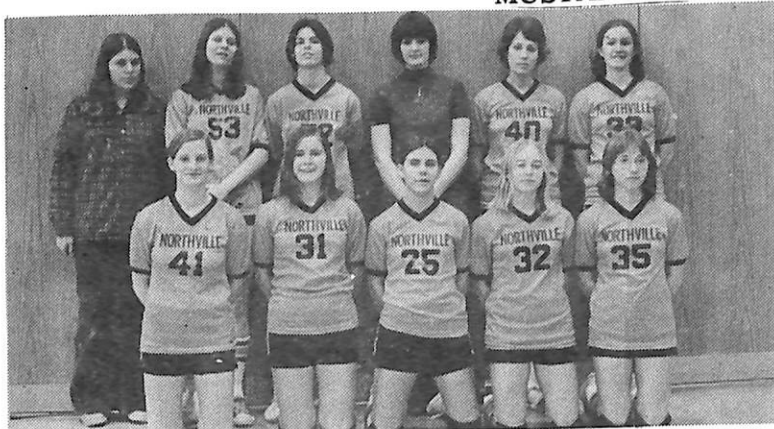
"This is a year for rebuilding, not winning," explained the girl's volleyball Junior Varsity coach, Miss Mary Minor.

"We started out with only a handful of experienced players a lot of the girls had never set foot on a volleyball court before.

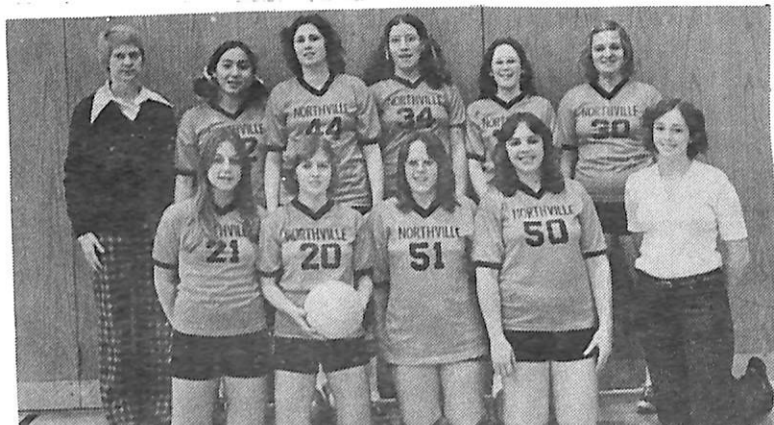
But, due to many hours of hard workouts, both teams have succeeded in holding a fairly good record.

With Eve Williams, Diane Wilkinson and Mary Ann Tweedie the only seniors playing this season, Miss Minor is looking forward to a strong, experienced team next year.

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VOLLEYBALL TEAM—Smiling Varsity end a good season.



OPTIMISTIC JR. VARSITY—Future Stars look forward to next year.

Gymnastic Scores Very Impressive

Nancy Anderson

What's a good score in gymnastics competition? Ms. Baetz, NHS gymnastics coach assured reporters that 6.0 was very good.

Monday, February 17, against Harrison, Sheila Fasang received a 7.1 and Marianne Neff, a 6.95 for floor routines. Laurie Plumley received a 6.3 for her vaulting.

Wednesday, February 19, against Riverside, Marianne Neff and Sheila Fasang get a 7.3 and a 7.25 respectively for floor routines, Jill Rainsier gets a 6.3 for her talents on the trampoline, Natalie Folino gets a 6.55 for her work on the beam and Laurie Plumley gets a 6.7 for her vaulting.

These exceptionally good scores come from lots of hard practicing. After everyone

helps each other set up the equipment they begin two hours of intensive practicing. During this period the gymnasts help each other tremendously with constructive criticism, praise and spotting. From the trampoline can be heard, "you're piking up" or "no, you're throwing your chest, there's no repulsion off the waist." or at the beam, "that first leg has to go up more!" The coach is not the only one coaching.

Ms. Baetz spends a lot of time spotting and helping the girls at the uneven parallel bars.

Our gymnasts work hard and deserve recognition for it.

February 17-	
Northville.....	95
Harrison	97
February 19-	
Northville.....	109.15
Riverside	110.05

Diamond Action

Donna Keen

All the action will begin this year April seventeenth, when the girls softball team confronts Plymouth Canton in their first league game. But before this wonderful date, alot of preparation will have to take place.

March seventeenth tryouts will begin. Any eligible girl can enter the gym, but should be prepared to try their hardest to work up to coach Mary Minor's standards. The girls will really have to work hard this year, because the team is suffering from a lack of veteran players. Alot of the teams players graduated last year. This year will be mainly a time of rebuilding.



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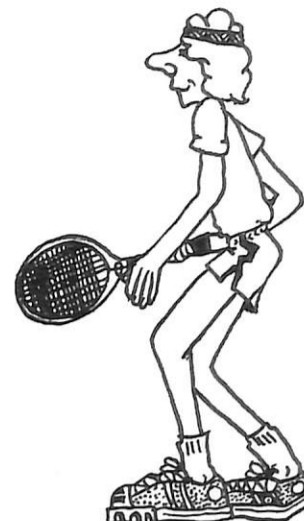
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Spring Sports Preview

Tennis

The upcoming Tennis team will play the first of its nineteen meets on April 9th at Plymouth Salem. Although the NHS team lost six letter-men, they still have a "very good chance" of defending their Western Six League championship. Coach Simpson's first motto of the season: "Work to win, loaf to lose."

So far the team is strong in six out of the fifteen events. But due to injuries to both Rick Marcicki and Earl Bingley, they're especially looking for sprinters. So come on guys, it's not too late to get yourself movin'.



Baseball

"We could do all right if we can fill a few spots with some younger kids not known," views Coach Chuck Shonta of the on-coming baseball season. Though the Northville 9 are rebuilding, Coach Shonta is hopeful of keeping pace with the fine seasons other NHS sports have enjoyed.

starter last year, will be switched from first base to either second or short. This switch results from an over abundance of first basemen led by Bill Piccolo and Jim LaPlante. Junior Scott Travers is coming off a fine JV season and he should be a great asset to the varsity outfield.

Scott Leu and John Boland are the only full-time starters returning from last years squad. Leu should play third and Boland will lead the pitching staff. The catching should be strong with Bill White and Brent Ashby. Tom Eis, a part time

"John Boland must and probably will have a great year," insists Coach Shonta. "After John our pitching is only 50-50. We should have a bigger and better offense than last year but our defense will be a little shakey."



TOTO TOO?—Patty Erwin and Dorothy (Peggy Sitar-ski)— show off winning dog.

Wizard of Oz

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Karen Kennedy; Second Witch, Karen McDonald; Oz Lady, Colleen Cushing; Gloria, Debbie Drewitz.

Debbie Todd with the Generals and the Oz Girls.

The Oz Girls will be played by Nancy Rider, Paula Dyke, Anne Vinnes, and Jan Kalota; Munchkin Farmer, Luke Murray; Joe, John Murray; Lord Growlee, Doug Webster; and the Private, Eric Egeland.

The Dancers are Terry Albus, Karen, Kathy and Keith Assenmacher, Debbie Drewitz, Paula Dyke, Ester Fountain, Nancy Heckler, Jan Kalota, Mary Korte, Michelle Lafferty, Kathy Marshall, Wendy Marshall, Candy McCurdy, Karen McDonald, Valli Muzzin, Sherry Pink, Lori Sanders, Marcy Slabey, Lori, Stelmach, Chris Stockland, Mary Stone, Kathy Settles, Jamie Thomas and Kathy Weatherred.

The Generals are; Bill White, Ken Kohs, Dave Sparling, Dave Holland, Gary Rhoton, Dave Penrod, Keith Price and Pete Daniels.

Heading up the production crews are; Set construction, Kevin Sullivan; Lights, Greg Johnson; Painting, Cathy Crupi; Props, Chris Rotta; Tickets, Karen Kennedy; Make-up, Teri Kobierzynski and Johanna McLaren; Sound, Dave Ifversen and Bill Hartmann; Publicity, Lisa Ward; Programs, Kris Kofler and Sue Palmer; Costumes, Chris Holland.

Members of the Farmers Chorus are Kathy Assermacher, Sue Crawford, Anne Vinnes, Karen Kennedy, Carol Dyer, Kathy Herald, Teri Kobierzynski, Brian Steimel, Doug Webster, Ken Kohs and Greg Johnson.

Members of the Munchkin Chorus are Paula Dyke, Peggy Webber, Jan Kalota, Debbie Germeroth, Lisa Ward, Sheila Murray, Nancy Rider, Karen Kennedy, Cathy Herbel, Kathy Settles, Al Kalota, Royd Riddell, Eric Horner, Mike Gorden, Eric Egeland, Luke Murray and Keith Assermacher.

The Oz Chorus includes Jan Nyquist and



Track

Track season is already off and running with work-outs beginning the first week in March. Mr. Ed Gabrys is assistant coach while Coach Ralph Redmond stated, "Right now we're interested in becoming a competitive team."

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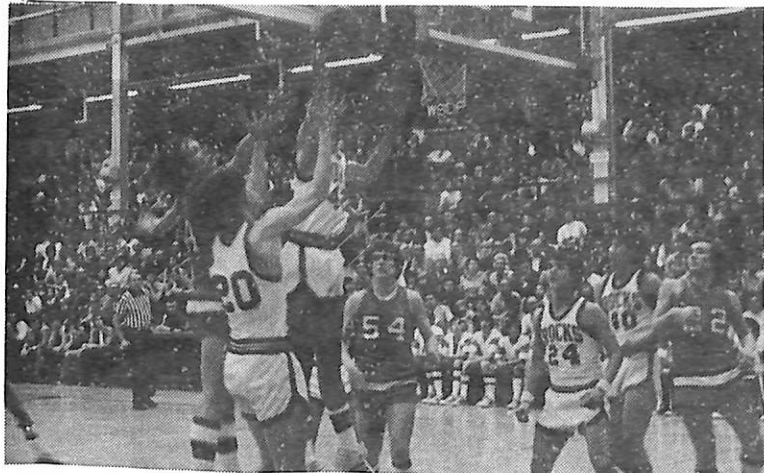
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REBOUND! Mustangs and Rocks desperately grab for ball.

Tankers Grasp League Trophy

Greg Johnson

"It just feels great! It was an unbelievable performance. I couldn't have dreamed up a better meet!" remarked a jubilant Ben Lauber after his team had just won the Western Six League swim title.

Not only did Northville slaughter Harrison by 43 points but they also qualified six swimmers for the state swim meet held at MSU over the past weekend. The qualifying swimmers were Brian Kramer in the 200yd IM and the 100 yd. breaststroke. Jeff Guider in the 50 yd. free and the 400 yd. free relay, Art

Greenlee in the 100 yd. breaststroke and Pete Talbot, Steve Lockett and Ed Erdos in the 400 yd. free relay.

Northville's two best events were diving, where Joe Deveraux, Scott Knapp and Mark Owens took 1st, 2nd, and 3rd and the 100 yd. breaststroke where Northville took 2nd, 3rd,

4th, and 5th with Art Greenlee, Brian Kramer, Matt Sullivan and Mark Noller.

Other outstanding performances were; Brian Kramer's second place in the 200 IM, setting a new team record with a time of 2:07.7, Jeff Guider's second place in the 50 free who tied a team record of 23.1 and Pete Talbot, Jeff Guider, Steve Lockett and Ed Erdos in the 400 free relay with a time of 3:26.9, setting a new Western Six League record.

The final score was Northville, 386; Harrison, 343; Canton, 178; Churchill, 92; and Western, 86.



ANTICIPATION—Tankers on deck for a victory.

Cagers Capture Crown

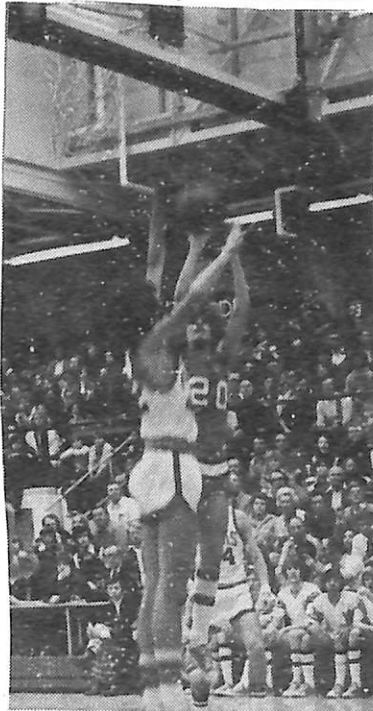
Chris Bueter

"They're an unusually fine group of boys and they deserve it," praises Coach Walt Koepke of his Western Six cager champs. The NHS Mustangs wrapped up the Championship with their best year ever in the Western Six League.

The Mustangs raced through the regular season with a final 19-1 record. The cagers only loss was a heart-breaker to Farmington Harrison "I was a little disappointed that we didn't have a perfect record," commented Coach Koepke, "Because so few teams are able to do that."

Coach Koepke leaves no doubt that his team

is the best. "We knew Scott Leu and Tom Eis would do well," said the coach, "But Mike



TWO—Scott Leu eyes only the basket in district game against Plymouth Salem.

Campbell and Doug Crisan have been suprisingly good. Al Benedict gave us a lot of depth and John Boland came on strong after a slow start."

In a tough battle, the Northville 5 lost to Plymouth Salem in the second game of districts, 58-45. The Mustangs won the first game against Southfield, 61-52 for their 20th victory of the season.

This years All League honors went to all 5 Mustang starters. Co-captains Scott Leu and Tom Eis both made first team in the Western Six. Forward Doug Crisan made second team while forward John Boland and guard Mike Campbell won honorable mention.

Wrestlers Wrap-up Season

Ed Talbot

The Northville wrestling team finished the season off by sending only one wrestler to the regionals, Jim Sackllah.

Coach Gary Emerson had little luck at the seeding meeting before the wrestling started Saturday at the dis-

tricts at Walled Lake Western. (Seeding is that place a wrestler is expected to take at a tournament. Therefore, the better win-loss record you have, the higher you would be seeded.)

Wrestlers can only be seeded if you have a .500 win-loss percentage, so if you're not seeded you would have to wrestle one of the seeds, depending on which one you drew. And that's where Coach Emerson's bad luck came in.

Northville had some wrestlers who, if given a break, could have gotten by the districts and gone to the regionals. For example; Outstanding

Dave Bentley was given a "bye" (a free victory given to a wrestler resulting from an odd number of wrestlers in that weight class's first

match, but his second match was against the first seed from Walled Lake Western who made it to the regionals. With a better draw, Bentley would have gone to the regionals. Perhaps he could have wrestled the third seed instead of the first.

Next year Northville hopes to have a better season, so more of our wrestlers could be seeded in tournaments such as districts and regionals.

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Christmas is a time of sharing laughter, joy, secrets, presents, and memories-the kind you want to keep, and love.



It is a time of caring for friends, family and others less fortunate. Christmas is a time of warming hearts with twinkling lights, holly, mistletoe, Santa Claus, lighted candles, stockings hung by the fire, peace, hope, sleigh bells, holy thoughts and singing carols. So, give a cheer for all the world is tinsel bright. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May all your wishes come true.

Mustanger

Students Keep Santa Busy

Laurie LaFevre

Christmas is coming. Soon you will hear the pitterpatter of reindeer on your roof. When Santa Claus comes down your chimney, what do you want him to have in his sack for you, and what are you going to do with it?

Rick Norton (12): A diploma so I can graduate.

Tom Folino (11): A reserved box seat on the radiator.

Doug Webster (11): What I want and would cherish for the rest of my life is an A in Ms. Dorrian's class.

Mr. Tarpinian(admin.): A brand new Super Deluxe bobsled to go racing down "the Hill".

Jan Nyquist (12): A year's supply of mistletoe.

J. Wickens (fac.): A motorized snow shovel!!

Wally Hill(12):A party with Mrs. Wilcox.

Ms. Hay (sec) A phone with a softer ring and parents with sweeter voices.

R. Simpson (fac) A head of hair and Pete Dixon's classes.

S. Leu (12) A blind date; however able to talk.

Rob Buttery (11) I would like, for all the little children in the world, that they may be happy, and unafraid, and living in a world free from all hemorrhoids.

D. Dent (fac) To meet Lucas Tanner.

Bill Beason (12) A new car with a girl in the back seat and a case of beer in the trunk.

Nancy Miron (12) A lifetime supply of yield signs.

Gamal Sackllah (12) Two hump camel, with Am-Fm Tape deck, and five Swedish girls, that can all massage my back.

Sheriff Dan McCulloch (fac) One hour of Silence.

Pat Bubel (fac) A winning lottery ticket!

Bronwyn Mills (11)

Blue Cross-Blue Shield

Karen McDonald (12) A reserved section in the Northville Record Police Blotter cause one of these times I'm going to get caught!!

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Paula Dyke

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vated, there is already enough Freon in the air to take over chemical control of the stratosphere by 1985.

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If we don't act now, the next shortage may be people.

OPEN DOOR

Editor's Note: This year our paper is featuring "The Open Door". This column is written by the principal of NHS. The Mustanger wishes to thank Mr. Tarpinian for his genuine interest and cooperation.

About this time of the year we all take a few days off to celebrate the holidays. Classes end, books are closed, and the students and faculty take a well-deserved vacation.

Of all the gifts that we exchange and all the pleasures we enjoy during the holiday season, the best of these is the good will of friends, neighbors and the people with whom we work.

And so this message is coming to tell the students, teachers and parents that your good will and cooperation have meant much in promoting our educational program at Northville High School.

May the New Year bring fulfillment of your hopes, good health and renewed inspiration for your work.

BEST WISHES FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON!

Michael Tarpinian

VENA'S VIEWPOINT

Vena Hosler

The snowstorm that took us all by surprise early this month, brought exasperation and inconvenience, it also gave an example of people helping each other and how happily surprised people were to receive that help. The spirit of helping others can be added to the Christmas spirit of giving. Giving of ourselves by helping others is a much needed and appreciated gift to anyone. A person who can give himself is also receiving a gift only he himself can give.

If each student at Northville High School helped one person daily in some way, anywhere from simply smiling to shoveling a sidewalk, we could brighten the days of over 1,000 people every day.

In little ways you can make the Christmas season merrier for all, but don't stop there! The year of 1975 is waiting for you just around the corner with an abundance of opportunities for you to help others. Don't wait for another snowstorm.

HAVE A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS AND A GREAT NEW YEAR!

Attack On 'Rare Species'

Letters To Editor

To the editor;

We are writing regarding the Thanksgiving issue article: "Rare Species."

We feel this article is a generalization of the Freshmen Class. True, there are many people who do these antics in and around school, but they are in the minority. The majority of Freshmen have pride in their class and school.

After all, whose example did the Freshmen follow in learning these childish pranks?

Sincerely,

a group of concerned Freshmen

Dear Editor,

Just today I read a really poor article in the Mustanger. (Nov. 20 issue) The article "Rare Species"

truly made me sick. All the cut downs to 1/4 of our high school, about begging money, being queer ("found them in groups all of the same sex of course") and not knowing how "to time their cigarettes yet." Well if I were a freshmen I think I'd tell the SCHOOL paper just where to go! I'm one of many seniors who is glad to have the class of '78 in our school, just the way they are.

More power to you.

Sincerely,

Karen McDonald

"Rare Species" was simply a humorous sketch not meant to be taken literally - that's what satire is all about. We're sorry that the article was misinterpreted by some members of the student body; thank you for your response. As always, the MUSTANGER welcomes any and all Letters to the Editor.

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Forenics Offers Variety

Janice Nyquist

Something for everyone. That's what NHS's 1975 spring forensic program will have.

As forensic coach, Ms. Mary Freydl pointed out, forenics offers categories that suit the interests of all students. One new category featured in this year's forensic program is 9th and 10th grade Informative Speaking. This is an informative speech written and presented by the student on the topic of their choice. Other categories are Boys and Girls Original Oratory, Extempore Speaking, Serious and Humorous Interpretive Readings, Children's Storytelling, Radio Newscasting and Multiple Reading groups.

Coach Freydl is assisted by Ms. Pat Dorrian, as well as Ms. Dwyer, Ms. Morris and Mr. Bourgeois. These teachers will coach the forensic students on a one to one basis.

"I look at it as a terrific opportunity to grow," stated Ms. Freydl.

Last year's forensic team went to invitational as well as district contests. Several students won trophies and one student, Suzie Evans, went to the regional competitions. Also

last year the Pan Award was instituted at NHS. This award is given each year in honor of former NHS forensic coach, Ms. Florence Panattoni, to the two forensic students at NHS who show the most dedication to forensic activities. A showcase will be installed soon for the Pan Award and other forensic trophies.

Preparation for the forensic competitions is all ready under way. Last night a general meeting was held for students in-

terested in participating in forenics this year. Students can still see Ms. Freydl and sign up for a category by Dec. 20 if they want to compete.

Competing in forenics gives a student the chance to win awards, the chance to learn and express themselves and a chance to represent NHS during competitions. Ms. Freydl summed it up, "Every time you try and do something, no matter if you win or lose, you get a good feeling inside."



HOLIDAY SMILES—Ulrike Raulfs and Hilde Vandevilde share Christmas customs with MUSTANGER

Foreign Exchange Christmas

Janice Nyquist

While Americans celebrate Christmas with Santa and tinsel, people in other parts of the world will also celebrate it following traditions of their

own countries. This year, it is our privilege at NHS to have three students from foreign countries who have shared how Christmas is spent in their home countries.

Three students from foreign countries are attending NHS this year. Ulrike Raulfs, a 16 year old from Germany, is staying with the Robert Gould family. Hilde Vandevilde, who lives with the Bruce Turnbull family, is an 18 year old from Aalst, Belgium. Elizabeth Ferle is a student from Yugoslavia.

Ulrike feels that Christmas in Germany is much like it is here. She says that, like Americans, the German people "make a big deal of Christmas and miss the first meaning of it. Many people only go to church at Christmas."

Hilde noticed some differences also between the American way of celebrating Christmas and the way people do it in Belgium. She feels that Christmas is too commercialized in America.



VISITING FRIEND—Max Ellison returned to NHS recently to share his poetry and experiences with attentive audiences.

News Sponsors Writing Contest

Paula Dyke

Attention all writers! It's that time again to enter your original works in the Scholastic Writing Awards contest sponsored each January by the Detroit News.

"The absolute deadline is Dec. 20," Ms. Dorrian stressed. "All written material should be finessed by that time, because I've got

to get them down to the News by Jan. 8. Anyone wishing to submit anything should see me or any other English teacher before Christmas vacation."

Students have a variety of classifications to choose from: short stories, poetry, sketches, original songs, and journalism to name a few. First place winners receive a gold achievement key, a certificate and a dictionary. Honorable mention and commendation award winners will receive certificates of merit.

"The real meaning of Christmas is gone. It's not the same at home--it's more religious," she says.

Elizabeth felt that the biggest difference is that no Christmas vacation is given in Yugoslavia. This is because the government doesn't want to favor any one religion.

"I think it's really nice that you decorate so much and are so excited about Christmas," she said.

All material will be judged by well-known authors, journalists, and educators. The Detroit News will publish the names of all regional winners in March.

"You never know if you have a chance until you try," Ms. Dorrian added. "That's all I can say."

Newly Formed PAC Helps To Bridge Gap

Sue Evans

A new group has been formed in our school called the Principal Advisory Committee (PAC). This group headed by Tami Hurley and Mary Jo Marburger is set up for direct communications between student and administration.

Mr. Tarpinian explains "Let's say if the administration suggests

a new system for our attendance policy. I would bring the proposal to the PAC committee where in turn they would bring me feedback on how the students feel about it."

The members had to submit a letter to Mr. Tarpinian as to why they are interested in working on the committee. Selected administrators will chose the members.

Here's The Scoop

No More Sales Tax (sometimes)

Remember Proposal "C"? It was passed by a majority vote in the last election. It eliminates the sales tax on food and prescription drugs EXCEPT food prepared for immediate consumption and alcoholic beverages. Looks like Twinkies, Big Shefs and that six pack for Friday night will still be taxed.

Last Hired—First Fired

Layoffs--especially in the auto industry--are a common thing these days. But do you realize that it's students like us who will be affected first by this economic recession the U.S. is undergoing? The jobs this summer for teenagers are likely to be scarce--employers just won't be able to afford new workers. Better start looking soon.

\$.65.9 For Gas?

If you usually drive away from the gas station with an empty wallet, listen to this: Henry Ford II has recently proposed a 10¢ increase in the gasoline tax per gallon. He figures the price hike would force people to conserve gas. The idea behind it sounds logical enough, but...Hey Dad, can I have \$20 to go fill up the car?

Editor's note: This is a new column designed to make students more aware of state and national happenings.

Graphics Program Growing

Chris Bueter

Two years ago NHS had no Graphics Department. The Graphics room was just part of the Drafting Department. Now Graphics is one of Northville High's fastest growing subjects.

Graphics instructor Mr. Deskovitz is very pleased with the growth of the department. "In one year," says Mr. Deskovitz, "we've gone from one class to three in traditional and one in YRS."

The amount of graphic equipment has also grown. A year ago the Graphics Depart-

ment got off the ground with the acquisition of a 1250 model offset press. There was no camera, no film and no plate maker. Slowly the department gained all the necessities to run the offset press, including a dark room with \$3000 in equipment. The Graphics room also has a paper cutter, folder and drill along with a rubber stamp press. This year a hand letter press with numerous styles of type was added to the room. Al-

together there is approximately \$25,000 worth of equipment.

The Graphics class

covers almost every kind of printing. Each student works on one project at a time and gets a grade at the completion of the assignment.

"I would like a graphic independent study program," says Mr. Deskovitz. "I would like to give them an assignment of a four page program and have them work on that all semester."

The class has been using its skill by printing materials for various groups. Just a few of the jobs have been programs for NHS sports teams, posters advertising the play "Fantasticks" and brochures for the Elementary School Health Program.

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Sue Evans

Senior Prom

The School Board has approved the location for our Senior Prom. It will be held at the Raleigh House, Friday, May 30. If you are interested in working on any committee or have any suggestions for our theme, contact one of the officers.

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To all those leaving for Jamaica April 2, 1975, your payments of \$150.00 is due January 25 and the full payment of \$155.00 is due February 25.



Don't forget that your class is sponsoring a Tigers vs. Faculty Basketball game Jan. 15, 1975.

Business Dept. Gains Beauty

Michelle D'Aurelio

Who is the pretty new typing and accounting teacher? Mrs. Dornes! Mrs. Dornes began teaching at Northville High school at the beginning of the year.

Mrs. Dornes is very pleased with the students, faculty and facilities that the high school has. She participates in both the ESY and traditional schooling programs.

Mrs. Dornes teaches both high school students, and junior high

school students. She prefers the more calm of the two, the high school students.

Mrs. Dornes' favorite past time is an active game of tennis.



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Least Favorite Teachers: 'Christmas Greetings'

Kim Bingley

The Mustanger asked the following question to several students: "If you had to get your least favorite teacher a Christmas present, what would you get her/him?" Here are several student responses:

- Steve Lindendmier (9)- a lifetime membership to weight watchers
- Brian Odom (9)- elevated track shoes
- Amy Fitzpatrick (9)- a bottle of glittery purple nail polish
- Marie Maglia (9)- instant nail grower
- Steve Laffer (9)- a nice comfortable room at Northville State Hospital
- Randy Tharp (9)- a French dictionary
- Eric Lewis (10)- a gold plated welding rod
- Wayne Brasure (11)- a piece of tape large enough to fit over his mouth
- Danny Baldwin (11)- dirty underwear
- Pete Talbot (11)- a trip to Mexico FOREVER!!!
- Eric Manley (11)- a colbalt treatment
- Mark McDaniel (11)- braces and eye straightener
- S. Leu (12)- an endless count of pigeons
- Pat Aenchbacher (12)- a ten foot long carrot to help retain the true essence of his glowing red hair

Teachers- don't feel hurt if you receive one of these presents this year. It's just part of the Christmas spirit of.....GIVING!

Holiday Warm-Ups

You've been outside in the cold skiing and sledding and you have decided to come in the house to warm up but you are tired of the traditional Hot Chocolate Warmer. For those of you who often find yourself in this kind of situation here are some holiday drinks made with egg nog.

BALTIMORE EGG NOG

- 1 oz. bourbon
- 2 oz. milk
- 1 tbs. sugar
- 1 oz. Madeira
- 1 whole egg

Shake all ingredients together with cracked ice. Strain into tumbler and top with grated nutmeg.

BOSTON EGG NOG

- 1/2 oz. brandy
- 3/4 tbs. powered sugar
- 1/4 oz. Jamaica rum
- 1 egg yolk
- 4 oz. Madeira
- 4 oz. shaved ice

Beat eggs and sugar together. Add the rest of the ingredients in a cup of chilled milk. Shake and strain into a bar glass. Now you add the eggs and sugar mixture in the bar glass. Stir until mixed and dust with nutmeg.

BRANDY EGG NOG

- 2 oz. brandy
 - 2 tbs. sugar syrup
 - 1 egg
 - 4 oz. milk
 - 1 oz. Jamaica rum
- Shake all ingredients together with cracked and dust with nutmeg.

Christmas Crafts Vs. Inflation

Kim Bingley

Shopping for Christmas presents at the last minute can turn into a BIG hassle with the crowds and restless clerks. You can avoid this problem this year if you shop early or you make your own Christmas presents.

If you have any sewing ability there are many things that you can make with a needle and thread. How about a quilted pillow for your boyfriend or brother, doll clothes for your little sister, hot pads for mom and a case for dad's glasses. If those ideas didn't hit you how do these sound? A quilt, stuffed animals,

shoulder bag, a tablecloth for the kitchen.

If you have very little sewing ability but you do have some artistic abilities, here is a list of Christmas presents that you might like to make. Hand painted stationary, sand candles, a stenciled junk bag or tee-shirt, a

straw flower wall plaque, hand made jewelry (spoon rings make great gifts for young girls).

Hand made presents have many advantages over the store-bought gifts.

So instead of buying the Christmas Spirit this year, make it!!!!

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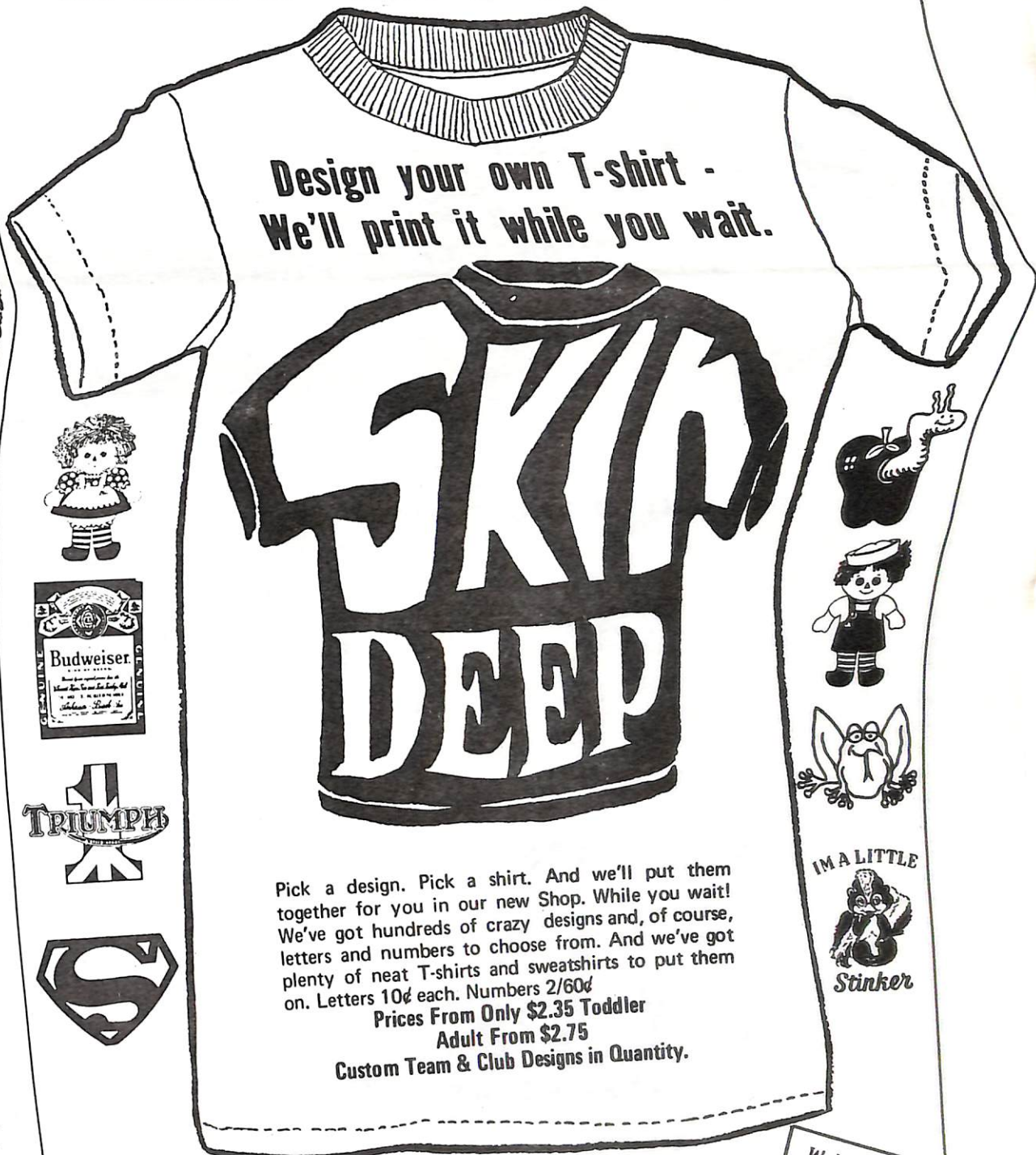
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Elton John Concert Dazzles 16,000 Fans

Michelle D'Aurelio
Dawn Hampton

Sixteen thousand Elton John fans waited anxiously through the overly-long performance of the Kiki Dee band.

Elton John dazzled his audience by his entrance. He appeared through a smokey haze wearing a silver and pink feather and sequined costume to the music of "Funeral For a Friend." He offered

many other selections from his album "Good-bye Yellow Brick Road."

Cheered on by his audience he continued his wild performance with "Saturday Night's Alright For Fighting" as he danced on his piano and threw piano benches into the crowd.

Elton played few of his oldies which was too bad for many of his true fans. He played mostly his new

songs, including "Lucy In The Sky With Diamonds" an updated version of the old Beatle tune.

Elton John finished his "smashing" performance with two encores and a 45 minute standing ovation.

This British star has certainly made a hit with at least one Detroit audience.

Harrison And Preston Revive The Sixties

Michelle D'Aurelio
Chris Rotta

On December 4, 1974 32,000 people witnessed the concert of the year. George Harrison, Billy Preston and their band proved that the quality of the 60's is still with us.

At the opening of the concert Harrison

performed what many consider his greatest triumph "While My Guitar Gently Weeps." He mixed several Beatle Classics with selections from his solo albums.

The blue-jeaned clad Harrison and out-

geous Billy Preston made their show in Detroit a memorable one.

Billy Preston followed Harrison with "Will It Go Round In Circles" which brought the crowd to their feet. Harrison then joined him in concluding the first half of an excellent concert. The second half was a repeat of Harrison's prior quality.



MADRIGAL SINGERS—These vocalists make up one of the groups that performed in last night's concert.

Hard Work Pays Off

Vena Hodler

Last night's musical Christmas concert at Our Lady of Victory church reflected the hard work and hours of rehearsing NHS choir director, Don Renz, spent with the Choir, Girls Glee, Triple Trio and Madrigal singers. The four groups performed over an hour with such familiar tunes as, "Carol of the Bells" and "The Little Drummer Boy", but also performed several new and less familiar selections.

"One of the strong points this year is we have a larger Choir, but at the same time this is one of our weak points. Because there are so many new additions to the group

who are new at reading music, it takes the group longer to learn pieces," comments Mr. Renz.

Next year, Vocal Music will undergo a few changes. Hopefully there will be two mixed choirs and one all girls choir. Next semester, Chamber Choir will be instigated. This will be a highly selected group of singers, performing works suited for smaller groups. If you are interested in becoming a part of any of these groups, auditions are mandatory. Mr. Renz asks that you see him as soon as possible. Private auditions will be held in January.

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Endangered Skiers Fight For Club

Kathy Jones

HELP! Fellow Skiers, if we don't act quickly, we may lose our club. According to Ms. Snodgrass, the former Ski Club sponsor, "The Board of Education will not declare the Ski Club as an extra-curricular activity." So, sponsors will not be paid. No sponsor will take on the duties of the Ski Club without pay. Mr. Tarpinian explained that, "The Board feels this club is

strictly recreational and could be handled by a volunteer teacher or teachers who are interested in this activity."

If we don't do something soon your Ski Club will be eliminated. If we want this fun club to continue then we should go and talk to the Board and ask them if they would please enter our club as an extra-curricular activity. Let's take action before we lose our club!

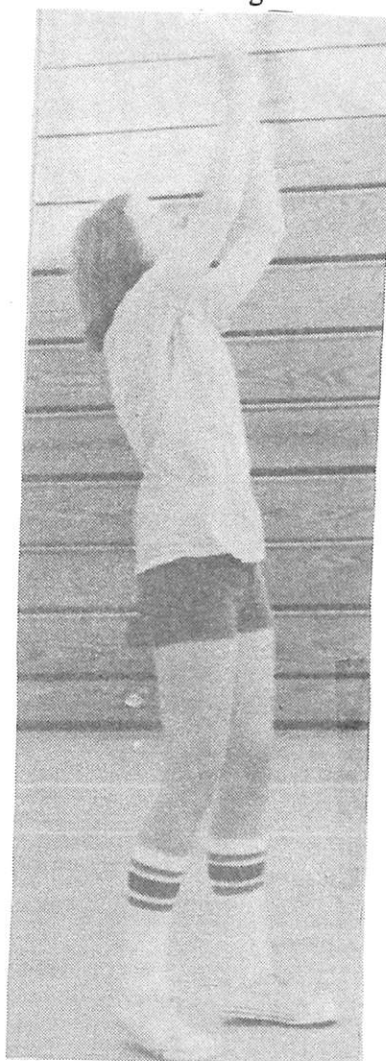
Intramurals Need Student Support

Laurie LaFevre

Northville High School doesn't have an intramural sports program. Until students show interest, there won't be one. Last year, girls intramural sports were offered. The turnout was so poor, they were discontinued. Other schools and colleges have successfully held intramural sports events. Why can't Northville High?

and wrestling seasons, the gym is used nearly every night for practices. Ms. Bubel also suggests, that the team use the community building gym one night a week, to let intramural sports teams practice. She thought an intramural council made up of students and teachers could find out what sports are the most popular among members of the high school, and give these ideas to herself or Student Congress.

During basketball



THE RIGHT TOUCH—Mary Ann Tweedie gets in shape for upcoming volleyball season.

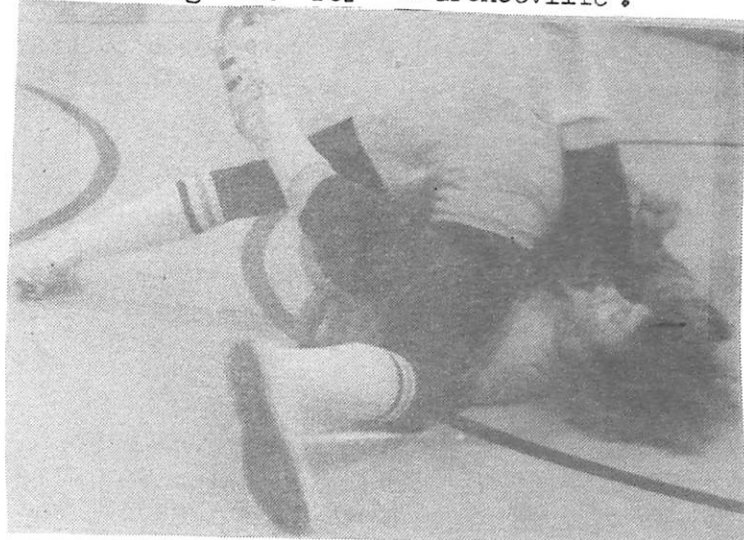
Volleyball Turnout Aids Team

Sue Evans

"We've lost alot of seniors last year so we'll be concentrating on rebuilding our team this season," stated Ms. Minor, J.V. volleyball coach. The team that will be picked this Friday is headed for a tough season. With 150 hopefuls turning out for

the first volleyball practice things could be on the up swing for this season. "We have alot of promising Freshmen and Sophomores coming out this year," Coach Ms. Minor added.

January 16, starts off the season against Clarenceville.



YOU'VE HAD IT!—Wrestlers mix it up in practice sessions.

Grapplers Seek Consistency

Paula Dyke

"If we can keep our three seniors and one junior in there, winning like they should, and if our sophomores continue to improve like they should, we'll be right in the running," predicted grappler coach Emerson.

The NHS wrestlers returned from the Dexter Invationals on Dec. 7 with six medals

(two 2nds, two 3rds, and two 4th places.) They placed seventh out of the eight teams there. But two days later they came back to wipe out Cherry Hill in their first dual meet of the season (the varsity won 40-24, JV won 50-20.)

"We're coming along pretty good. Both Greg Cole, a sophomore, and Rick Marcicki, a senior, are looking good so far," Emerson commented. "But I

ted." But I'm afraid the heavier weight classes are going to give us some problems this year."

(They) met Milford on the 11th, South Lyon on the 17th, and tomorrow night they will host Plymouth Salem at their first home match of the season. "It ought to be a good one—hopefully we'll have a lot of fans since there'll be a swim meet going on too," Emerson said.

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At Redford Relays

Tankers Take All

Greg Johnson

The tankers got their '74-'75 season off the blocks in a hurry last week as they won first place at the Redford Union Relays and won their first two dual meets of the year.

In winning the Redford Union Relays, Northville swamped all other competition as they won 97-57 over the second place team, out of 12. Northville brought home five first-place trophies and swimming for them were; 400 freestyle relay: Saulius Mikalonis, Jeff Guider, Ed Erdos and Steve Lockett; 200 breaststroke relay: Matt Sullivan Biff Ballash, Brian Kramer and Art Greenlee; 800 freestyle relay: Jim Cahill, Jim Wright, Mark McDaniel and Dean

Alli; 400 individual medley relay: Pete Talbot, Steve Lockett, Brian Kramer and Art

Guider, medley relay and freestyle relay; Art Greenlee, I.M. and 100 breast; Steve



STROKES TO VICTORY—Steve Lockett heads for home in Western 6 league meet.

Greenlee; 200 freestyle relay: Steve Laffler, Saulius Mikalonis, Mike Chaffin and Ed Erdos.

Northville also won its first two dual meets by defeating Plymouth Canton, 116-55, and Dearborn Crestwood, 115-54. Double winners for the Canton meet were Jeff

Lockett, 200 and 100 free; Ed Erdos, 50 free and 400 free relay; Dean Alli, 500 free and 400 free relay. In the Crestwood meet, Brian Kramer set a new Crestwood pool record in the 100 breast with a time of 1:06.8. The first home meet of the year will be on Tuesday, January 7 at 7:00 O'clock.

Corsairs Big Challenge

Chris Bueter

Northville's cagers have started the 1974-75 season looking like champs. This Friday they will get a testing from a good Waterford Mott team with lots of height.

The NHS Basketball squad has looked tough in it's first six outings. Starters through third stringers all looked good in a 101 to 58 romp of Dearborn Crestwood.

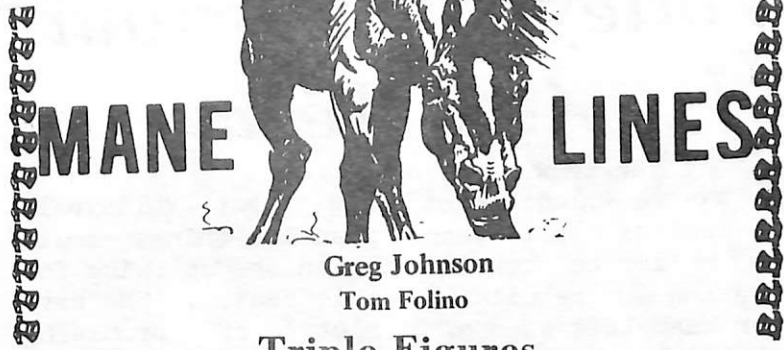
"All six of our seniors have played very

well," says Mr. Walt Koepke, Northville's head coach. "Doug Crisan, Tom Eis and John Boland have been getting a lot of rebounds. Scott Leu has been playing great defense and Mike Campbell has been a pleasant surprize."

Waterford Mott is led by a 6'6½", 210 pound senior named Mark Gisse. Gisse has already earned two letters in varsity basketball. There are 5 other players on the

team over 6 feet tall. Altogether, Mott has four letter-men returning from last season.

This will be Northville's third Western Six League meeting. The first was a 80 to 62 victory over Plymouth Canton. Coach Koepke said he thought Canton would be better since they have a number of returning starters. However, he did add that those are starters returning from a losing season.



Greg Johnson
Tom Folino

Triple Figures

For the first time that I can remember, the basketball team scored more than 100 points during a game. The cagers accomplished this in their 101-58 romp over Crestwood. The pressure was on as the 100 pt. barrier was not broken until about 10 seconds left in the game. Also witnessed in the game was a 60 ft.. long shot by Crestwood just before the first half ended.

Who's No. 1?

With Oklahoma being banned from any bowl competition and the University of Michigan not in a bowl game, these two teams should also meet on New Years Day...not in a bowl game however, just call it the National Championship.

Fantastic Fans?

In the words of the infamous Muhammad Ali, "The fans are the greatest." Northville has the most dedicated anywhere. They not only go to the home football and basketball games, they go to many away games as well. I've seen them as far as Fenton.

Granted basketball and football are the spectator sports and this appears to be the cause of the problem.

Our fans only show up en masse to see the cagers and our gridiron heroes. Think for a moment, how many swim meets, gymnastic meets, tennis matches, wrestling meets, have you witnessed this year? You could probably count them on your right hand. I'm willing to wager you didn't know, the tennis, golf, and girls swim teams were all crowned League Champions in their last season, respectively. The tankers have never had a losing season. Last year, at a home meet, Harrison fans outnumbered Northville supporters which caused a psychological letdown and led to a rare tanker defeat!

Northville fans have proven themselves time and time again, but, I hate to say it, it's just not enough. Other Jocks and Jockettes, (Athletes), need your support.



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