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Steve Smith is I. H. S. A. A. "COACH OF THE YEAR"

"Team of the Year" Is Key to Success: Smith

by Mike Slowey

On Saturday, February 23, 1974, the John Adams Seagles placed second behind Munster in the I.H.S.A.A. state swimming and diving meet, closing the best season in the team's history.

The Seagles amassed 196 points, a record for a second place team, and more points than Munster scored in winning the previous year.

Adams won four events, placed second in two events, and placed seventh on the All-State Swim Team. The Seagles had All-American in four events (two at state, two at conference). Every school and pool record was set this year.

There are two major reasons for success of this nature. First of all, there is the talent necessary for any real success. The second is outstanding coaching, which can turn a good team into a great one. This was the role of Seagle coach Steve Smith in only his third year as head coach.

Smith filled this role well, creating team unity and a competitive drive which lead the Seagles to defeat

of Jackson five times during the course of the year. Smith manipulated the work-outs almost faultlessly and brought the team to a fine peak for the state meet, as all swimmers tremendously improved their times.

Last Saturday, November 2, Mr. Smith was awarded for his accomplishments of last season as he was named I.H.S.A.A. swimming "Coach of the Year" by his fellow coaches.

When Smith was asked to comment about the honor, he modestly replied, "I couldn't have been 'Coach of the Year' without the 'Team of the Year.'"

Smith is now 37-4 as he approaches his fourth year as head coach at Adams where he has had at least one All-American each year he has coached.

Smith, who has never had a team of more than 25, now supports a team of 40 members including five divers. The Seagles opened at Michigan City Rodger's Pentathlon on November 9.



HAPPY COACH - Steve Smith, I.H.S.A.A. "Coach of the Year", and Ed Szucz, Athletic Director display Smith's coaching award.

Photo/Vic Tyler

What's Going Center Opens On. for DRUG ABUSERS

In co-operation with the Mental Health Center, South Bend now has employed a variety of treatment centers for drug abuse. The organization is known as NIDAS (pronounced "need us", meaning Northern Indiana Drug Abuse Services) and is a comprehensive drug abuse agency serving St. Joe County.

The agency "focuses on the premise that people work better than drugs". It provides alternatives for involvement in drugs and sponsors "people helping people" programs, such as peer influence, training for organizations who share prevention responsibility, and conduct drop-in sessions for parents concerned about their child's drug abuse.

NIDAS has three treatment centers in South Bend. Their goal is to help an addict live responsibly without a dependence on drugs. Their staff is composed of addictions specialists, social workers, counselors, psychologists, and educators.

The first step in the treatment process is contacting Central Intake. This department must be contacted before NIDAS services can be given. Central Intake helps the individual choose the most effective treatment program. Its number is 234-6011.

From Central Intake, the three treatment centers are Day Treatment, the Therapeutic Community, and the Methadone Support Program. Day Treatment is named Aurora House. It has a program designed according to individual needs of a wide variety of drug abusers.

The Therapeutic Community is known as Delos House. It has a 24-hour, live-in, work-in, care-in residency. The program, in which most members stay from 12 to 24 months, is aimed at resocializing people so they may become responsible members of the community. The Methadone Support Program, known as the Lighthouse, is a special program dealing with heroin addicts who meet certain requirements. It provides alternatives to drug addiction. In addition to other treatment methods, methadone is dispensed daily by a medical staff.

NIDAS offers inpatient and outpatient detoxification services as thought suitable by the Central Intake staff. There is also a 24-hour drug related emergency service called D.A.R.T. (Drug Abuse Rescue Team). The Hotline Switchboard number is 282-2323.

NIDAS keeps all information confidential. No information is passed on to police, parents or others without an individual's permission. Minors are encouraged to tell their parents of their involvement with NIDAS, but by law, the NIDAS staff is held to strict confidentiality.

by Cathi Gabele



FRESHMEN CLASS OFFICERS - Newly elected in the freshmen class are Paula Beeman, president, Ron Janowczyk, vice-president, and Terry Gault, secretary. Missing is Renee Lucas, treasurer.

Photo/Vic Tyler

Class Elects Leaders

by Leah Sunderlin

For the past three weeks the class of 1978 has been preparing for their class elections. The final runoff date was November 5th. The following 4 freshmen were elected: Paula Beeman, President; Ron Janowczyk, Vice President; Terri Gault, Secretary; and Renee Lucas was elected Treasurer. They were nominated three weeks ago for the respective offices. Following the

preliminary elections, of two weeks ago, they were elected on Tuesday.

Mr. Snider, the class sponsor, and Mrs. Katona conducted and organized the elections from printing the ballots to counting them. As a result of these elections, the freshman class will be able to organize, discuss, and vote on possible money raising and class sponsored activities. Regular meetings will begin soon so interested freshmen can attend and make their opinions and ideas known.



SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES - Principal Bill Przybysz has chosen these three people to represent the school in the Rotarians, Kiwanians, and Historical Society. [from left] John Harlan represents the Historical Society, Darlene Turner, the Kiwanians, and Mark Risinger, the Rotarians.

Photo/R. Ball

What's News?

"Spirit Class" Re-Cheers

Classes will again have a chance to outcheer each other as The Tower will re-initiate the "Spirit Class" of the Week" for the upcoming basketball season.

Details concerning judges and bases for judging classes will appear in the November 29 issue of The Tower.

IUSB Slates Events

Indiana University at South Bend has scheduled many events in the fields of music, film arts, and drama.

Three recitals are coming up in the Music Department during November and December.

The first recital will feature Robert Hamilton, pianist, and Bernadine Oliphant, singer, in a faculty recital at 8:15, November 15 in the Northside Auditorium.

On November 20, composer-pianist, Russell Peck will perform in the second of four events of the year-long "Festival of New Sounds IV". The recital will begin at 8:15 p.m. in the Northside Recital Hall.

The German Film Series: "Max and Moritz" will be presented at 8 p.m., December 2 in Northside Hall, Room 0063.

Upcoming in drama at IUSB is a play entitled, **The Hostage**, written by Brendan Behan. The play will be staged from December 5-7 and from the 13th-15th of the same month at 8:15 p.m. in the Northside Theatre.

Debate Club Is On Its Way

by Brian Gordon

Behind the strong performance of Meg Goerner and Edwin Fissette, the Adams debate club collected its first ribbon of the year. This distinguished accomplishment by the freshman team came at the club's second tournament, held in West Lafayette on October 26th. Due to their three wins and one loss, Meg and Ed earned fourth place in the all-novice meet.

The club then travelled to Columbia City the following week for its third tournament. Despite a late arrival, the group salvaged an even record of four wins and four losses.

A tournament is scheduled for the 23rd of this month, in which nearly all the members will participate. However, Meg and Ed's award marks the start of success for the John Adams Debate Club.

Club Talks On Books

by Cathi Gabele

The Literary Club has found their start at Adams. Previously troubled by undecided starting times, the two separate sections have begun working.

The first segment is the literature group, headed by Mrs. Smith. The group, consisting

Choir Sings for '75

by Susan Avon

The 1974-75 vocal music department, under the direction of Mr. Mike Allen, has announced its plans for a very full season of entertainment. In addition to the presentation of three concerts, choir members will also participate in the spring musical production of the Drama Club.

Yesterday, the Orchestra/Choir Concert held the first event of the year. The Concert Choir sang selections including Brahms's "Song of Destiny," Beck's "Cry Aloud," Kirk's "Antiphonal Alleluia," Lekberg's "Bow My Head, O Lord," and "All My Trials," arranged by Norman Luboff. The orchestra provided accompaniment for the 15 minute "Song of Destiny."

The traditional Christmas choral program will be held in our auditorium this year, and will feature all the choirs. At this time, plans are not definite regarding the particular date for this concert. It is probable that it will be held on December 12 or 19.

March 20 is the date set for the 1975 Spring Concert, to be held at IUSB. This program will also include appearances by all of the choirs. Hopes are high that another musical will be presented again this May by the drama club. If so, interested choir members will be performing in this program as well as those already mentioned.

Information regarding dates, times, and ticket sales will be available in the future.

presently of eight people, will choose and discuss any book they select. They have decided to begin with classics, and are now discussing "Pride and Prejudice".

If anyone is interested in joining or starting another literature group, meetings are every second and fourth Wednesday with Mrs. Smith.

The second segment, lead by Mrs. Germano, is creative writing. Members bring in their own written contributions, such as poems, stories, etc., and other members evaluate the individual work. Plans are to compile a literary magazine of student written material later in the year.

The club, consisting of 25 members, will meet every second and fourth Tuesday with Mrs. Germano.

SPORTS INJURIES: A REVIEW OF ABC'S 'SENSATIONAL' SPECIAL

EDITORIAL

Mary Keith

Volleyball sectionals started at Mishawaka H.S. on Tuesday November 5th, where Adams defeated Clay in three games that lasted until about 9:30. There was not one representative from the Adams administration there. After the games, the girls were informed that they would have to practice on Wednesday from 7-9:00. It seemed that the boy's basketball team was getting the use of the gym after school, leaving the girls no alternative but to practice at night, knowing they would have to play one and maybe two games on Thursday November 7th.

The sectional is the most important time in the volleyball season. Wouldn't it be natural to assume that the volleyball team would take precedence over the basketball team, which hasn't even started its season yet? How long will the minor sports have to put up with unfair catering to the major, money-making sports?

Last year, the team had to listen to a football coach telling them to get out of the gym at their scheduled practice time because it was raining outside, and his football team needed the gym more than they did. When the coach and team stood their ground and stayed, this person stormed to the athletic director's office and demanded the girls be forced from the gym so that the football team could practice. Unsurprisingly enough, the incident occurred during the volleyball sectionals. Surprisingly enough, the girls won.

Athletes in minor sports have tried for years to pound into someone's brain the idea that our sports are just as important to us as the major sports are to them.

This problem can't be the fault of the student athletes, so it must be the fault of the people in higher places at Adams. Any form of discrimination is ugly, but never more so than to the people who are being discriminated against. It is frustrating and angering to deserve, but not receive, the natural attention given to the major sports.

Our support has to start with the administration, the athletic directors, and all the coaches. It can't be a one-shot deal, and it must be sincere on all sides. Otherwise, it would only be as meaningless as our efforts seem to be to the students, teachers, and faculty at this time.

LETTERS

Several weeks ago, big, white notices disguised as "Interim Reports" were sent to many homes. Each paper had a choice from one to sixteen delicacies to carry with it. Undoubtedly, the destinations of the majority of these slips exploded once they arrived. For a number of students the shock was astounding; their indignance was great; and explanations to red-faced parents was nerve racking. What reason do the teachers and school give for this newly-acquired divine right? It has something to do with improvement, learning, and responsibility.

Well, if we the students must become so responsible; if we the students must learn to work and improve why send the message over our heads? If we the students must learn control of self then shouldn't WE, the students be conferred with FIRST about our grievous faults? It is a ridiculous idea that many of those notices could not have avoided being sent. In due fairness, all of Adams should have received one of these little messengers of glad tidings. Those sixteen points were very liberal in their appliance. If the teachers and administrators are here to teach us then let them do so. Do not, please, in the process, totally disrupt our lives so unnecessarily.

One of the Magnificent Sixteen which is my major pain is that awesome point dealing with class participation. Reasons for not jumping into class discussions or for not having the arm constantly petrified in the air will differ. For some students it is a definite facet of their personality to "listen and learn". These students really do learn and it shows in their papers. Unless the jaw is firmly nailed shut these same students will give an opinion at least

once or twice during the year. They are learning at their own pace and are comfortable. What good does a furious confrontation with their parents gain? If a student does absolutely nothing or truly gives not one opinion or answer then he does need help. Again, what will a grilling from his parents do?

Next. By the time a person has scribbled and toiled through to his Senior year, his goals and techniques are usually quite patterned. Not many people like having schedules shattered; nor do they tolerate someone else's instructions on how to run their own lives. Many will be entering college or a job. Some may be getting married. Some will be doing a combination of all three. We are capable of solving problems.

This is not a plea for exemption from these sneaky white report sheets for seniors OR underclassmen. The schools say that they do not want to act as babysitters. Stop trying to play that role and many of us will not force you to. Let us try to work out our problems with you, the teachers, first before you delve into our private lives. You can teach us much more about responsibility, learning, and ourselves on a one-to-one basis than by trying to change us through our parents.

Debbie Rutkowski

The editorial in the September 20th edition of the TOWER was painfully dear. Ms. Keith smote us to the quick when she graphically reawakened us to the presence of vandalism in this school. The article, no matter how beneficial its intent, or how well stated, has, however, fallen upon basically dear ears. None of the problems have been improved; graffiti is still scratched on walls, the lawn continues to be littered, and objects of value mystically disappear. The correction of these injustices must start with the students, for they are the offenders. Instead of letting vandalism pass 'unnoticed,' HELP, and report the inconsiderate people you see destroying the school. I'm sure that if it was your property that was defaced or stolen, you would want immediate punishment of the culprit. As an upperclassman I am awed and annoyed by the lack of care this building receives. Those of us who have been here long enough should appreciate the beauty of a clean school and grounds. Let's strive to keep it that way.

Brian Gordon

REMINDER

Today is Friday, November 15. (Right, Mr. David?)

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Joe Bosco
Shocking the public seems to have become the goal of the news media. The recent ABC News Closeup, DANGER IN SPORTS: PAYING THE PRICE, with Jules Bergman, is a good example of an attempt to make a sequel to recent scandals but it fails miserably.

Jules Bergman says in the introduction, "It is more dangerous than coal mining...our most hazardous occupation, with a frequency of disabling injury two hundred times greater." This statement sounds surprising at first, but coal mining isn't hazardous because of its frequency of disabling injury, so the analogy is totally invalid and purely for sensationalism.

Many of the statistics Bergman uses are not specific. For example he says, "...over 90% of the direct fatalities in high school football were due to cervical spine and brain injuries..." This does not even remotely give an idea of how many players died, and it does make a difference because if only 10 die in 10 years, it's not worth talking about.

Throughout the program, it was stressed that for 100 players, there were 86 injuries. As Clifford Fagan, executive secretary of the National Federation of State High School Associations said, "...to say there were so many injuries that occurred, with the implication



being that they are serious injuries—I think is unfair...I really think it's done for sensationalism most of the time. Also, this figure is based only on four schools in one year, hardly enough for an important study!

While discussing the possibility of abolishing head-tackling and head

blocking, Bergman interviewed a boy who was completely paralyzed because of head-tackling at a sandlot football game without wearing any protective gear at all. The sight of that boy was depressing, as Bergman had intended it to be. However, that interview did not belong on the program since it had nothing to do with high school football. This too was purely sensationalism.

The most ridiculous statement ever aired on TV again comes from Jules Bergman. He states, "It's the trickle down theory—you start with a million kids playing football at the age of fourteen and by eighteen, half of them have been hurt, the other half is hearty, they go to college—another group gets out, so then the natural selection is working." Extending his reasoning it's natural conclusion, a high school bench warmer, if he survives practices and manages to live through will make it in the pros!

Next time you see an ABC Special, you may want to listen to what they say very critically and be especially awake for slanted reporting.

WSJA: ON AGAIN, OFF AGAIN

THE GUARDIAN EAGLE EXPERIENCE

FOR YOU, MIKE

(The following notice was received last week from John Goodson, Music Director for WSJA, the school's radio station.)

"Due to requirements set down by the Federal Communications Commission and other technical difficulties, WSJA has been forced to delay its broadcasting operation. At this time, switching of station management and personnel is taking place."

A Rah-Rah

"Oh hurry, hurry! I think I hear someone coming. It's heavy footsteps. It must be him!"

These familiar lines can be heard almost every morning, coming from the mouths of nerve-racked Guardian Eagles. What drives these so-called "rah-rahs" to endeavor into such a perilous profession? Insanity.

Guardian Eagleship is a popular sport at Adams, growing to almost the size of our hallowed basketball enterprise. What other sport do you see a girl delicately teetering on a garbage can putting up a twelve foot sign? In what sport does a female do a .009 second run down the hall at the sound of "here he comes"? How many athletes can climb a flight of stairs in three-tenths of a second and breathlessly proclaim, "He didn't even give me a chance to put up the crepe paper!"?

Besides the athletic points of Guardian Eagleship, one also learns how to lie well. The most popular red-faced lie is, "Your Guardian Eagle is sick, so she asked me to decorate your locker for her." That's one many fall for. Or the innocent, "Is this your locker? My goodness, I have the wrong Eagle." Only the smart ones will catch on to that. How could she put the wrong sign on your locker if that's your name on the sign?

Guardian Eagleship is a self-funded sport. The cost of baking a batch of cookies until 2 a.m. is about \$2.50 and an exam flag. Two rolls of red and blue crepe paper is two lunchless days. A thirty lettered sign—depending on who makes it—can cost anywhere from writer's cramp to total amputation. The cost of Eagles holding cake pans as non-returnable items is one week's grounding, and a new cake pan for mother. A candy bar is fifteen cents unmercifully stolen from little brother's piggy bank. And a much requested Playboy magazine comes at the astronomical price of flushed embarrassment.

But, let's fairly look at the athlete's side. Most have to own a full time membership to Weight Watcher's. They gain more weight than any other group of students in the whole of Adams. Their shelves are kept well stocked. An athlete with a good Guardian Eagle will never starve. But the poor boys. The total humiliation being known to the entire school as "Sargent Rock", "Baby Huey", "Cat", "Dock", "Biscuit", or "Trout". And the signs. Everybody is

number one. But how about the "Tickle 'em with a feather, hit 'em with a stone, get 'em Ed", "Good luck, and don't forget your shoes", "Dino's a dilly of a player and Jim gets us out of pickles", and the worst blow, the "Wanted, Dieringer" posters that were bill-boarded over the halls of Adams, not to mention a few classrooms. Yes, these athletes suffer. They suffer at such heart-rending levels as John Dean.

Why do the martyred Guardian Eagles do this? Some have crushes on their Eagles, or later obtain them. Some like to live a life of risk. Some find happiness. One of the best things an Eagle can do to keep his Guardian

Eagle is to say thank you, whether by writing her a five page essay on "Why I like My G.E.", or simply writing, "Thanks, G.E." on the sign she puts up. For those who can't take time to say thanks, realize a Guardian Eagle puts in a lot of time to do a good job. No matter how abnormal or super human Guardian Eagles may seem, a thanks can brighten the heart of many. You may play your heart out on the field, but a friendship carries farther than a victory.

Guardian Eagles, stand up and be recognized. You're a rare breed. Oops, don't stand up now. Here comes your Eagle!

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POTPOURRI: Poems And Short Stories

The Wise Pigeon

This is a student written piece and will be a two-part article.

The hot afternoon sun played among the hanging vines in the garden. Together with the wind it created dancing black figures which were projected on the concrete driveway of the garage. Those fluctuating shadows seemed to belong to the joyous noisy children playing in the streets outside. They were moving about with innocent pleasure. Some were singing and playing games; some forming circles; some running; some jumping. All depicted an atmosphere of gaiety.

But Regan was all alone, except for their loyal TV set, which was always there to entertain - or to depress. Regan and her parents were new in the neighborhood and with the gate locked, she was limited to their lawn for recreation. So, unlike the other eleven-year-olds, she had to be contented with whatever fun there was at home.

Regan was staring blankly at the TV, which was showing a relatively old Dracula movie. Such entertainment she could not fully appreciate without a guide. And indeed, Regan was badly in need of a guide being inquisitive enough to get a computer overworked. But there was no outlet for her.

In an effort to escape the

stereotype world which she already abhorred, Regan got off the sofa and made her way to the garden. She didn't even bother to close the TV because she thought it was too despicable to be touched by human hands.

The garden, though stereotype as it was for Regan, boasted of its serenity. The neglected bermuda grass was genuinely symmetrical. The flowers with their warm colors of pink and yellow, were pleasing to the eye. The hanging vines which were restless a while ago now stayed still because of the absence of wind. The pond, with all its natural dirt, was tranquil. There was something disturbingly balanced and calm in the surroundings.

But such stillness and serenity was not permissible for long. There came a predominant flapping sound from the east. To Regan's surprise and contentment, at last, came a companion. As it adjusted its wings into place, the bird situated itself on the rock by Regan's side. It was a pigeon. He seemed old because of his exhaustion after such a short flight.

He showed a simple sign of openness to Regan but she simply looked at him amusingly.

"Your name?," the pigeon asked casually.

What? A bird talking! Regan never learned such in school.

Except for parrots, of course. But a pigeon - it was preposterous! Regan, however, wasn't really sure about her knowledge. Besides, even a bird could keep her company, she thought.

"My name's Regan. How about you?"

"We really have no names but I understand you humans here give names to pets."

"Are you a pet?"

"Only recently. I came from a shipment from Australia. I was raised there by pet-breeders, Scafer and sons..."

"You're an Australian!"

"Well, does it matter?" the pigeon calmly retorted.

"People here usually have a special admiration for whites."

"What difference does it make? Humans have a tendency to make themselves superior."

"On the contrary, we colored people are known to be inferior to whites. Besides, aren't you inferior to us?"

"That's what you have been made to believe. It's the only thing that keeps humans going. You know that you're superior to someone else or something. Whites feel superior to blacks. Some blacks feel superior to their fellow blacks. And the whole human race feels superior to us!" the pigeon was practically shouting.

Ricky Toledo

Flight

Let me tell you a story about a Hobbit on the run he has a Ring that makes him invisible and it belongs to the EVIL ONE.

His fate it seems is already written, although he cannot know what centuries before the Hobbit lived, the story of Frodo and the Ring had already begun.

Run, run, my fair Hobbit, you're bold and scared of none, but on your own you can do nothing, so run, run, run.

You must leave all your belongings, precious stones and friends, leave the shire forever, for your time has come, but not yet done.

Gandolf the Grey should have been with you, but fate did not allow, instead there was a conspiracy, which you know of now, for Sam, Marry and Pippin knew of your flight, so planned to be with you and now they are part of your plight.

Many an enemy came after you, but friends you knew nothing of were there, BUT still you must hurry, before the nine get there.

He sent the Ringwraiths against you, the nine black riders were ever there. It seemed that they had you, for they were there before you.

But take care my nine, for water did dismount you, and powerless you swam there.

The fellowship of nine was formed to guard the Ring from Him. It was Elrons choice to have.

Four Hobbits fair two men as strong as the bear, one dwarf of steel, one Elf that could heal, and one wizard with white hair.

Their journey was long and through dark mountain they pondered not long for Gandolf was lost fighting.

So only eight appeared from the dark caverns and they ran like the wind to escape what they feared and finally found an Elf lady she grieved to hear of poor Gandolf, but her hospitality was fair as was the lady.

She gave them boats and Elf cloaks and presents to speed them onward.

The waters were strong and the miles went on until they came to the two Kings which Aragorn was one, and here the fellowship ended.

Wayne Newbury

Both Sides: Teacher Apathy

Apathy among students is quite prevalent, but that is only one of the problems. Not only are the students apathetic, but so are the teachers.

Lack of interest on the teacher's part concerning their job, as well as the students, is becoming a great problem at John Adams. The day of the concerned teacher is beginning to reach obsolescence (I'm not saying that all teachers feel this way because they don't. John Adams does have numerous good teachers.). But exactly what is the cause of this rising "don't care" attitude?

From the student's point of view; it is seen as the teacher's lack of authority. More teachers than what should, rule their classrooms like they have just entered a horror house and any wrong move may result in being attacked by a monster. This attitude makes the student more daring and more capable of doing wrong. "Since the teacher won't do anything anyway."

With classrooms in this state, it is easy for anyone to become uninterested. However, all of the blame cannot be placed on the teachers. Classes aren't composed of what would be considered as 100% "angels." Many students do instigate trouble purposely. But a solution could be reached if each side would put forth a little effort.

The teacher should teach their classes in such a manner that they become more personally involved with the students and get to know the students better. This could eliminate some of the fear on the teacher's part.

In order for the students to do their part, a different attitude must be observed. School is an institution of learning. The horseplaying and continuing interruption of class must cease, if the learning process is to go on in a correct manner.

Apathy, although it is very popular today, can be lessened if not even solved within the school, if the teachers as well as the students put forth a little effort.

Think about it and what you can do to help solve the problem.



It is absolutely impossible for a teacher to communicate with his class while others are communicating among themselves. I realize we cannot keep our mouths shut for fifty-five minutes, especially when some of our teachers cannot either, but there are limits. Teachers have a daily schedule to maintain. However, how can they, when twenty minutes are used up each hour with, "Please be quiet!", "Al right, that's enough!", "Let's be quiet here!", "Stop the talking!", etc. This is a waste of the teacher's time; it's upsetting and frustrating! Students must be attentive. They must know what is going on at any point. How many times each day is a question asked just following its previous answer because one wasn't listening?

As a student, this apathy in class, the disrespect for the teacher, is a waste of my time. It makes my day less interesting and more monotonous. I go to school because I have to; so I make the best of it. If we would first show some respect to our teachers (and administrators), they would show respect towards us. If at least 95% of each 55 minutes was spent with an open and studious attitude, there would be a better atmosphere, less stress between teacher and student, more interesting classes and less homework.



SG ELECTED

The following students have been elected to the JAHS Student Government for the term 1974-75:

SENATE

Freshmen: Lisa Santuro, Jud Green, Arnold Marshal, and Colleen Johnson.

Sophomores: Susie Smith, Myre Handy, Mike Marshal, and Shelly Goldstein.

Juniors: Bruce Woodford, Gail Turner, Chuck Csiszar, and DiAnn Schreiber.

Seniors: Kathy Baer, Darlene Turner, Kyle Bradford, and Carol Niemier.

HOUSE

Jefferson District: Joe Bosco and Moira Dingley.

Edison District: Cindy North, Dan Kiley, Laura Heise, and Jeff Deren.

Perley District: Caryl Redding and Louis Taylor.

Madison District: Eugene Herron. Tarkington District: Mary Williams and Jane Williams.

McKinley District: Lindsay Pauszek and Lisa Duesterberg.

Nuner District: Michelle Grant, Laura Smith, and Becky Stock.

Franklin District: Marian Handy and Carol Melander.

According to a SG member involved in working in the election, well over 1,000 students turned out to vote last Tuesday through Friday. The use of a voting machine and the new porch location may have been responsible for the better than 50% students turn out.

Other students interested in being a part of the Student Government are urged to become self-appointed members of the Senate.

(The Student Government will be the object of an in-depth study by the TOWER Feature staff Part I of which will appear in the next issue. - Ed.)

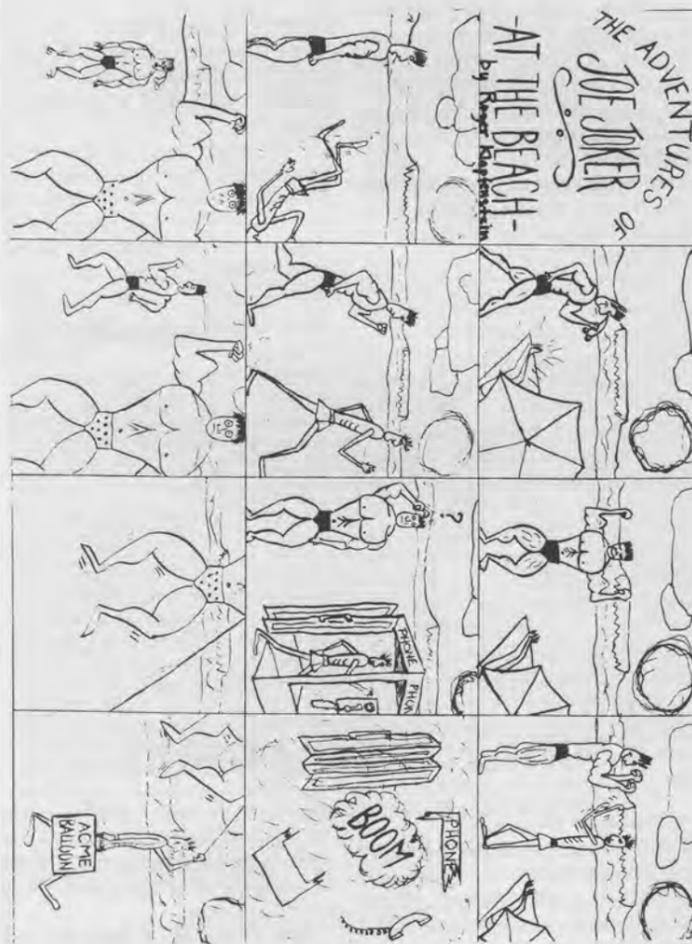
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To live a life completely your own, to know you're you in your soul.
To express your anger or love of life, to read a book and remember.
To paint a picture and know it's yours,

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V-EAGLES REACH SEMI-FINALS OF SECTIONALS

The varsity V-Eagles finished their season with a 7-5 record and advanced into the semi-final round of the Sectionals before being defeated by 1973 state champ Marian.

The V-Eagles had to play 3 games to take the match from a tough Washington team, in regular season play. Susie Witherby, helped along by good sets from Mary Keith, served 6 points in the first game, leading the way to a 15-6 Eagle victory.

Washington came back strong in the second game, taking it 14-10 as time ran out; but the V-Eagles got moving in the third game with good serves by Louie Dragovich and won the game and match 15-4.

The V-Eagles did not fare so well against the Mishawaka Cavemen. The Adams team couldn't get their serves over the net and dropped the first game 15-8. Serves by Debbie Leeds in the second game brought the Eagles close, but the girls weren't backing each other up, and lost the game and match, 15-12.

Adams drew Clay in the first

round of the Mishawaka sectionals. Clay looked sick in the first game and 8 points by Debbie Leeds led the Eagles to a 15-7 victory. But Clay came back strong in the second game and took the V-Eagles by surprise, 8-15. The Eagles stopped fooling around and took the third game and the match, 15-10.

The V-Eagles met Marian in the semifinal round of the sectionals. They played their best game of the season, but time ran out on the Eagles in the first game, with the Knights winning 7-11. The V-Eagles seemed discouraged by this defeat, and despite tremendous playing, they couldn't take the second game, and Marian won the match, 10-15.

Even though they lost, Adams gave Marian their toughest game of the season and opened the door for a Riley victory over the Knights in the championship game.

The V-Eagles look forward to a tremendous season next year with many returning varsity players and a promising group of B-teamers.



Fran Rozewicz is ready for action as Terry Gault carries the ball over the net in the B-team's last game of the season.

B-Teamers Finish 10-2

The Adams B volleyball team ended their 1974 season with a spectacular record of 10 victories against only 2 defeats. The B-team met tough competition in their city tournament and was defeated in the third round.

The B-team defeated Washington in their eleventh match of the season. The V-Eagles lost the first game of the match in spite of good dinks by Amy Terry, because of missed serves. But they came back to skunk the Panthers in the second game with 14 straight points served by freshman Lori Hudson. Good sets by Terry Gault to spikers Amy Terry and Kate Kaspar helped the Eagles.

Limited time worked for the V-Eagles in the third game, when a Panther comeback was stopped as time ran out; the V-Eagles took the game and match, 12-10.

Although they started off slow against Mishawaka, the B-team gained momentum and spirit mid-way through the game. Good spikes by Cindy Jagmin and dinks from co-captain Kate Kaspar helped the Eagles take the first game, 15-9. The V-Eagles had a tougher battle in the second game, but managed to pull out a 16-14 victory over the Cavemen, taking the game and match.

The B-team drew a bye in the first round of their tournament, and won by forfeit against the Penn Kingsmen who dropped out of the competition. Having sat through 8 matches, the B-team went into a tough Marian game cold and didn't play half as well as they did in regular season play, losing the match 15-5, 14-10.

Having expected a much better showing in the tournament, the B-teamers were understandably upset about their defeat. But the majority of the team are freshmen, and they show the promise to keep Adams on top for the next several years.

EAGLES FINISH CAMPAIGN

The John Adams Junior Varsity football team recently ended their 1974 football season. Finishing with a 2-5-1 record, the B-team gridders displayed talent with good potential.

Built primarily with Juniors, the club's defense kept the Eagles in many games. Yielding only an average of one touchdown per game, the big "D" posted three consecutive shutouts during the year.

The main disappointment was in the performance of the all-important offense. It seemed that it was only a few times that the offense moved the ball when they needed to. The running game was mainly handled by Bill Andert, Todd Taylor, Bill Sanders and Mike Harvey. Paul Bilinski usually took the quarterback chore, while Harvey saw some duty as backup.

The hard-nose defense was led by Don Kromewitter, Carlos Chavez, Doug Witherby, Chris Walter and Bob Eades. Each of the players' experience will prove vital for the year to come. Many of this year's B-team players will be battling for the varsity squad next fall.

HARDY N.I.C. CHAMP

Marred by bad breaks and bad luck, Coach Connelly's football Eagles finished their season with a 4-6 record. A 22-6 stomping over Clay ended the campaign on a good note.

Senior runningback Mark Hardy rushed for 251 yards in 29 carries against the hosting Colonials, including three touchdowns.

The Eagles jumped to an early lead when, in the first period, Hardy dashed the final 20 yards of a 55-yard drive. Wiltrout passed to Greg Watson for the two point conversion.

When a Clay drive died on the Eagles' 17, Adams romped 83 yards for their second touchdown. Hardy trucked for a 70-yard off tackle run to hit the endzone with 1:31 left in the first quarter. The conversion kick failed making the score 14-0.

Adams reached "pay dirt" for the last time, in the second quarter. Capping a 67-yard drive, Hardy dived for the last yard. Wiltrout ran for the two point conversion, making the score 22-0 at the end of the half.

With 1:27 remaining in the third period, the Clay quarterback hit Bob Bauer with a 33-yard pass to tally Clay's only score. The two point attempt failed, for it was all they registered, as the Eagles pulled away with their final victory.

The season has passed by, but it can be looked upon as a year of success. Matched against five rated teams, the Eagles came within an eyelash of more victories.

The first three games witnessed a breed of poor offense. The defense was fair, but was not enough to nab low scoring victories.

After the 0-3 start, the club sprouted up with signs of improvement. The offense began to move the ball, while the defense

finally started to hold their own ground. As a result, Adams finished with four victories out of the last seven games. Averaging three touchdowns in their last seven games, the Eagles pulled in impressive wins over LaPorte and Riley.

A 2-4 NIC record is a misleading mark as the Northern Indiana Conference consisted of many powerhouse teams. An outstanding accomplishment was recorded by Mark Hardy, as he led the NIC in scoring. His nine TD's for a total of 54 points bested any other player. The closest player to Hardy was Chuck Alexander, of Mishawaka, with 42 points. Tom Wiltrout finished in seventh place in the NIC race with three TD's and seven "point after's" for 25 total points.

With the use of many lettermen during this year's season, Coach Connelly will have a lot of inexperienced players in new positions for the coming year. Their defense and offense must work together to output a successful season.

The graduating seniors must be complimented for their fine years at Adams. Even though some of them traveled through the ups and downs, a lot of credit has to be given to them.

Coach Connelly and his staff should be congratulated on another fine season of football and good luck in next year's campaign.

Adams 0	Fort Wayne Dwenger 13
Adams 0	South Bend LaSalle 14
Adams 7	Mishawaka 18
Adams 14	LaPorte 13
Adams 14	Elkhart Central 21
Adams 37	Michigan City Elston 14
Adams 20	Washington 28
Adams 33	South Bend Riley 8
Adams 6	Elkhart Memorial 9
Adams 22	South Bend Clay 6

Swimmers Start Season

Last Saturday the John Adams Seagles opened their fourth season under I.H.S.A.A. Coach of the Year Steve Smith.

This year the team consists of 40 members, nearly twice as many as last year's state-runners-up team. However only 14 of them have ever swum competitively before.

The Seagles return 9 lettermen which are lead by senior Captain Jeff Deren and butterflyer Steve Patterson, who placed 6th in that event in last year's state meet. Senior Eric Tweedell will be competing at the state level in the sprints this year, while Mark Weger will add needed depth in breast stroke.

The junior class is represented by 2-year lettermen and A.A.U. state champions Mike Slowey and Phil Thornberg. Doug Knapp adds strength in both distance and backstroke events while Gordon Slutsky's much improved butterfly will play an important role.

There are nine sophomores on the varsity headed by lettermen John Komora and Dan Kiley. Dave Rubin and Toby Wehrhen are by far the most improved swimmers on varsity who will play vital and versatile roles this year. Garry

McCracken, Jay Sunderlin, Rian Myers, Don Strong, Don Troyer and Mike Brindle add depth to the varsity and are gaining invaluable experience everyday.

Charlie Hammond is the only Frosh on varsity this year, but will be helpful in backstroke and freestyle.

There have been four divers working hard to fill the gaps left by the Foster and Emmons duo graduation. They noticeably improved since their board work began Oct. 1. Seniors Larry Holtzman and Jason Denman and sophomores Jim Freeman and John Hedge will be competing against the best in the city by January.

The junior varsity, too, has worked hard since Oct. 1. Most of their work up to now has consisted of stroke work, trying to correct and improve their techniques.

The Seagles opened at M.S. Rodgers Pentathlon last Saturday, but the results were not available at the time of printing.

The future still looks bright despite graduating an outstanding senior class; the Seagles can still hold their own in state-wide competition.



Moody lays in traction at Memorial Hospital.

Poemen look Promising

David A. Weisman

The 1974-75 John Adams Gymnastics Team, led by Coach Dan Poe and Captain Chris Dieringer promises to be one of the best in the school's history.

With a nucleus of 6 juniors and only 2 seniors the team should very easily improve on last year's 0-11

duel meet record. Dieringer and returning letterman Marco Driver should provide excellent leadership for the team in the bid for a winning season.

The strongest events for the "Poemen" this year should be parallel bars and vaulting, where last year Marco Driver earned a 9th place at state.

Other solid performers returning from last year's squad will be Senior Tim McClure, and Juniors Mike Berndt, Tim Oletti, and John Green along with Sophomores Jan Powell and John Presnell.

Moody Hospitalized

Senior basketball star Torrence Moody was hospitalized two weeks ago after a car he was driving was struck by a train.

Moody suffered a fractured femur bone and sustained a laceration across his forehead. Expected to lay in traction for 6-8 weeks, Toy will probably be lost to the basketball team for the season.

Moody's car was hit broadside by the train, which was moving 35 m.p.h. After being pushed halfway down Oliver Street, firemen had to remove one of the seats to reach

Toy. Moody was considered "lucky to be alive" by the firemen.

Toy's absence from the team will be missed, but his loss is not the end of the year. Coach Hadaway has many able replacements to experiment with before the opening game of the season.

Toy is staying at Memorial Hospital in room number 836. Make it an effort to go and visit Moody, while he is in the hospital. The TOWER staff expresses their deepest sympathy for Toy and wishes him a speedy recovery.

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