

Eight National Merit Finalists comment on future college, career plans

John Adams High School takes great pride in announcing that of the 14,000 Finalists selected nationwide by the National Merit Scholastic Program (Evanston), eight of them are South Bend Eagles. These students, along with the other students honored, are now eligible for the last "cuts" that will be made, determining Scholarship recipients. 1000 Finalists will be chosen to receive a monetary award of \$1,000. The top 3000 Finalists will be honored with a full scholarship to the school of their choice. While financial need is noted, the program is based primarily on, and stresses, scholastic accomplishment.

Semi-Finalists (announced earlier) were selected on the basis of their PSAT results. Finalists are determined on the basis of their SAT scores, class rank, and grade point average.

Those Adams seniors who have been honored as finalists are: MARY GREGG; Mary will be studying at either North Dame or

Indiana University. She is primarily interested in journalism, and cited her main ambition in life is to become the next Barbara Walters.

MIKE NEMETH; Mike's destination this fall is Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology at Terre Haute. He is planning on a career in electrical engineering.

DAVE GERMANO; While Dave is unsure yet as to what school he would like to attend, his choices are Notre Dame, Yale or Indiana University. Although he has not determined what he would like to choose as a career, Dave off-handedly mentioned that he has always had a secret ambition to "study something."

PHIL BENDER; Phil will be diligently studying at either Wesleyan or Yale this next year. He also is unsure of his career choice, but was quite definite about wanting to be a "good American" and have somewhere around 2.7 children.

BOB DEMAREE; Bob's college choices are Purdue and Indiana

University. He cited his career choice as leaning toward some aspect of the field of chemistry.

KEN TRAUB; Ken's destination this fall will be either Massachusetts Institute of Technology or Stanford University. His major goal being to "survive," Ken would like to also study computer science or electrical engineering in his spare time.

DAN DEVETSKI; Dan has chosen Indiana University at which to study pre-med. His ambitions include centering down to some field or specialized medicine, perhaps brain surgery.

The eighth Adams finalist is JOE TAYLOR; Joe will be cracking the books this fall at Michigan University. Although he would like to someday "be rich," Joe has decided to study law and utilize his persuasive abilities.

The staff and student body at Adams High School offer their congratulations to these fine students, and wish them the best of luck in the upcoming competition.



National Merit Finalists: Back row, l. to r.: Bob Demaree, Ken Traub, Mike Nemeth, Dave Germano; Front row, Phil Bender, Mary Gregg, Robin Moore, Dan Devetski.

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Freshman learn school pride through "Eagle Ethics"

On February 21 and 22 with the consent of Mr. Przybysz members of the John Adams Student Government presented to the freshman class talks on "The Eagle Ethics" and pride in the school. The discussions were held in the Freshmen Social Studies and Civilization classes. The purpose of Student Government was to raise school spirit and pride in the future by starting with the freshmen.

The topics discussed included many areas of importance such as pride, involvement, and responsibility. Also, the students were shown that in today's school "Eagle Ethics" are of real significance rather than just a picture on the wall.

Since it seems to be slipping in our school, pride was a main part of the speech. "Pep" assemblies

have become lifeless. Many students seem to think their support is not needed. Well, it's easy to support a top-ranked team, but to support a team that isn't doing so well just seems to be too much to ask anymore. Which kind of team needs the support more? How is a team supposed to get anywhere when their own fans won't back them? A large part of how a team does is based on the extent of the crowd support. Students seem to look up to college students. Well, if you've been to a Notre Dame University pep rally, you've seen supportive students.

Another part of pride that was discussed was responsibility. A major threat to our school pride seems to be vandalism. This includes people breaking clocks and writing on desks, lockers, walls

and bathrooms. What impression of our school does this leave to others? This is the reason the Student Government sponsored a school-wide clean-up, which was held Saturday, March 1st. Perhaps because of these talks, many freshmen came to pitch in.

Involvement in school activities was also discussed. The students were asked to support some of the other sports and clubs along with football and basketball. They were also encouraged to join or even start clubs and organizations within the school. Some of the freshmen expressed a wish to join the Booster Club. The students were also interested in Spirit Week. They wanted to know what it was, and how to get involved. They were instructed to talk to their class

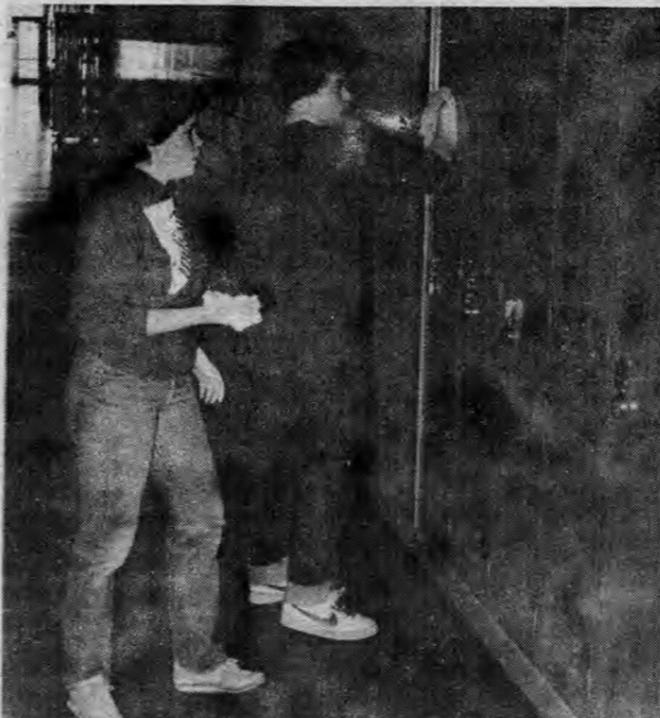
officers: Andy Heckman, Jane Wygant, Kevin Baer and Alan Engel.

Many of the freshmen seemed interested in dances. When told that one of the reasons we are not having dances and many other after-school activities is because of the irresponsible action of a few, a freshman questioned, "How can we prove we are more responsible so we can have dances?" Well, a good idea would be to be more responsible at and after activities such as basketball games. (Remember the food fight at McDonalds, etc.)

What the talks came down to was keeping the reputation of John Adams High School on top academically, socially and athletically as it has always been in the

past. The freshmen were told if they ever had a problem, or an idea to improve the school in some way, they could and should politely express it to Mr. Przybysz or to their class officers.

The Student Government was pleased by the way the freshmen responded. Many Student Government representatives said, "They seemed very interested and asked a lot of questions." School is more than books and studying; it is also learning how to cope with society and have fun in a responsible and respectful manner. If the freshman class starts our with a united sense of pride in Adams and upholds a sense of responsibility for Adams, the school will become a proud and spirited unit for everybody.



Freshmen show their dedication by scrubbing lockers during the student government clean-up Saturday morning, March 1st.

Band/Orchestra members both winners

The NISBOVA State contest, held at Atticus Technical School in Indianapolis, was successful for members of the John Adams Band. After a long, uncomfortable ride down on a school bus in sub-zero weather, the musicians performed in high form.

The winning performers and their scores are:

SOLOS: Bassoon, Susan Henry, I; Clarinet, Martha Schilling, II; Alto saxophone, Missy Kevorkian, I; Piccolo, Robyn Moore, II; Clarinet, Geanie Ollman, II; Flute, Robyn Moore, I; and Clarinet, Leah Lorber, I.

Woodwind Quartet; Susan Henry, Kelly Kerrihard, Robyn Moore and Martha Schilling, I.

Woodwind Trio; Susan Henry, Kelly Kerrihard, and Robyn Moore, I.

Flute Ensemble; Barb Harman, Missy Kevorkian, and Robyn Moore, I.

Clarinet Choir; Jeff Atkins, Gail Borden, Theresa Burns, Leah Lorber, Mary Lou Louks, Sherri

McLochlin, Geanie Ollman, Margo Peterson, Martha Schilling, and Carl Schoeneman, II.

Our orchestra members gained respectable accomplishments at both regional and state contests. At home at Adams on the twenty-sixth, Eleanor Pollak, Gretchen Priest, Robert Demaree, Susan Stewart, Anna Barrett, Steve Laven, Sheila Huang, Leah Lorber, Elizabeth Nee, and Carole Wong all got firsts on their solos. The latter four were piano solos, which were also judged at Adams that day. A string quartet composed on Duane Kline, Mimi Cohen, Emily Johnstone, and Nicholas Marino also got a first, as did another quartet with Eleanor Pollak, Alex Liu, Robert Demaree, and Steve Laven. A violin trio was played by Eleanor Pollak, Alex Liu, and Duane Kline which ranked first; also getting firsts were the trios of Elizabeth, Katherine, and Chris Nee, and Elizabeth Nee, Robert Funk, and Alex Liu. As is customary, a large string ensemble

was arranged this year with members Steve Laven, Robert Funk, Nicholas Marino, Anna Barrett, Gretchen Priest, Eleanor Pollak, Alex Liu, Sheila Huang, Duane Kline, Mimi Cohen, Mary Puchala, Elizabeth Nee, Robert Demaree, Emily Johnstone, Elizabeth Smith, Susan Stewart, and Vaughn Bryner. It was given a first.

At state, many of these solos and ensembles gained further recognition. Robert Demaree, Anna Barrett, Steve Laven, Sheila Huang, and Elizabeth Nee all got first on their solos at Indianapolis on February sixteenth. The Kline and Pollak quartets got firsts, as did the large string ensemble, in which Gregory Werge substituted for Vaughn Bryner. The Pollak and Nee, Funk, and Liu trios also got firsts. The atmosphere on the bus coming home was often jubilant.

Congratulations to all of those involved with State contest, and keep up the good work!

Students debate draft issue / Hell no, we won't go!

The subject of holding a draft isn't new. Some European countries as far back as the 17th century in times of great demands for manpower, held something similar to a draft. Throughout the history of America draft laws have been enacted and repealed a number of times. At the moment America no longer holds a draft, the defense is purely volunteer. Due to the recent conflicts in the Middle East, President Carter has called for draft registration. This would consist of those eligible to be drafted signing up with their draft board. Many people think registration to be a prelude to an oncoming military build up, but in other peace times, draft registration has been required. All males 18 through 26 will be required to sign up, thus eligible for the draft, if there is one.

Many countries draft some of their registrants each year, and take them through basic training, readying them to fight, if necessary. In Israel both men and women are required to spend time in the military and learn basic military maneuvers. The question of drafting women has gone under hot discussion in America. If the draft is enacted, should women go to war, and be treated just as men

are? The last two major U.S. military involvements in Korea, and Viet Nam have swayed the opinions of many on the draft. These were fought not to protect American soil, but its best interests according to the government. Many lives were lost in both of these to keep non-democratic governments from expanding. Many feel that it was an unnecessary loss of American lives. We as high school students have never been directly confronted with the draft, but many probably have people close to us who have fought in a war, and may know someone who died in the process.

What are your feelings on the subject of reinstatement of the draft? If chosen, would you go? What are your opinions on the drafting of women? Should they receive different treatment than drafted men? I asked a broad spectrum of Adams students and got some interesting opinions. Some gave serious thought to it but others just b.s'd.

"Reinstating the draft would be necessary if the threat of war was highly probable, but I can also see why, in a way it might be necessary to hold a draft, just in case the

unexpected happened. I'd be reluctant to go, but most likely I would go. The drafting of women I think should be a choice left up to the girls themselves. Some would probably want to go. They shouldn't receive any better treatment because if they make the choice to go, they're in the same position as the males and any slack in treatment might cost the women her life when a serious conflict occurs."

"The issue of war is terrible complex; for it is clear that it is immoral, and yet there may be no way to avert it. Due to the fact that it would be almost unavoidable if the balance of power were to tip in one direction, a draft may be necessary to keep us safe, as may be other measures to maintain military equality. However, as war and its effect of terrible interference in people's lives are undeniable, we can't justify a draft unless we simultaneously take measures toward a more sure state of peace. This would take the form of total disarmament negotiations and similar idealistic movements. Such things are attainable if the apathy of those who realize that war is an evil is overcome, that a strong movement may result. In

the interim between our present state of affairs and peace, no matter how far off it may be, we must unfortunately support the folly of governments by protecting our country in the best way we can. If at all possible, the draft should be avoided."

One senior known for his plexiglass eyewear said, "I WON'T GO!" An optimistic underclassman said, "I don't support the draft, but I feel that if war breaks out, the youth of this country will rise to the occasion like in the past two wars, and support our country. If chosen, I would go! I also think that women should also be involved in the draft: Equal Rights!"

His counterpart said, "I feel that the draft is both morally and constitutionally wrong. It is not right to force someone, man or woman, to join the army. If drafted, I would not go because I don't believe in war or killing under any circumstances."

Another student said, "The draft must be, but it need not include women. Women should not be in combat, even with the E.R.A."

Someone added, "I believe women should not be drafted for combat. However, if it must be

women should be drafted to keep up with increasing demand.

"The majority of people seem to feel that women should be drafted, but excluded for direct fighting. A few felt that the decision of who should and should not fight be decided by certain tests. "The men who for some reason physically or mentally aren't able to handle fighting shouldn't have to. Females who are capable should take their places. "It was purely females who had this opinion."

People seem to fall into four categories. (1) Those who are against physical violence in any form or the idea of war and therefore wouldn't go. (2) Those who believe that the citizens should obey the demands of the government, and therefore would go if drafted. (3) Those who will go to war if they feel it is for a righteous cause and (4) Those who believe that America needs a draft, to maintain its power.

With an evident threat of reinstating the draft, the feelings that we high school students have are important. Some are old enough to be drafted now, and all of us are not too far from the age of 18 which takes to be eligible. **WOULD YOU GO?**

Student forum

"I think I'm going crazy" is a phrase commonly used to express frustration or insecurity or to gain attention. When society hears casual and humorous statements about mental illness, it may tend to become immune to pleas for help coming from people who are truly mentally disturbed.

The February 22, 1980 TOWER article entitled "normal" practices of 'mass insanity' was perhaps humorous, but it continues to cloud society's focus on mental health. The line describing "an innocent soul" "locked up in Bellevue," who sees "little people," portrays the stereotype of a mentally disturbed person.

In high school, where opinions are often formed for life, a newspaper should try to expand horizons for readers rather than fall prey to stereotypes. Modern psychology attempts to prevent people from being "locked up." To imply that the mentally ill can be considered guilty or innocent of their illness is a

step back in history to a time when lunatic asylums were opened up as public attractions. Mental patients are most often not responsible for their illness, although they may play a major role in their "cure." Need I add that a person does not need to be "seeing little people" to be a candidate for psychological counseling? Many people who function quite normally in our society may feel the need for the support or guidance of a psychologist at some time during their lives.

While the writer of the article and the TOWER staff probably did not intend to offend or misinform readers, it is unfortunate that students must be subjected to stereotypes at a time in their lives when accurate information is so important to their development as members of a society in which it takes courage to fight against stereotypes.

A Social Worker

The Raggedy Ann drawing is one example of Katie Kuharic's work. The sketch was drawn in pencil using the doll as a model. Eight other examples of her work were sent in a portfolio to New York for further judging. The portfolio included the painting "Variations in Color of a Sunflower" which won the Hallmark

Award. Other artworks in the portfolio include "Sterile Metals" a water color painting of kitchen utensils, "Mechanical Influences" a ball point drawing of a fan "Orchestra II" a pencil drawing of tuba parts and "Divisions of Faces," a ball at night point drawing of just what the title says, face divisions.

In the 15 years Katie has been drawing she has taken it seriously for only 2 of them and last year was when she decided she wanted to win the Vegan show.



Sophomore relates Belgium experiences

David Leege, a sophomore here at Adams, has gone to live in Belgium for the semester with his family. He wrote the following letter telling about his experiences in Europe.

"I thought that everyone would like to hear about what I've been doing and what things look like here so I decided to write this letter to tell what it's like here.

"We are living in a house in a walled in section of Leuven Belgium that is over 600 years old. This section of town is called "Groot Begynof" and was built in the late 14th century for the use of secular nuns. These nuns did not belong to a certain religious order but were simply unmarried women. Our house and those around it in the Begynhog were purchased by the University Catholieke Leuven about ten years ago and were completely redone to have both a taste of the old and new. Our house is one of the larger ones in the Begynhof. It has four bedrooms, one bathroom, dining room, kitchen and front room. There is also a third floor which has an open room which we use for

hanging clothes since we don't have a dryer. Our refrigerator, if it can be called that is about the size of a small T.V. and of course there is no freezer. This is because in Europe people go to the stores every day and buy the food that they need for that day. Everything you eat here is so fresh because it is almost always made where you buy it. All the streets in the Begynhoff are cobblestone and can be driven on although it is rather bumpy.

"All the people are very friendly here. I started going to the Dutch school two days and surprisingly I'm finding it a lot of fun. All the students have been very nice to me and are trying their hardest to teach me some Dutch. Dutch is a kind of cross between German, English and French and I'm recognizing many of their words because of this. I'm in what is called a Latin group which contains the better students of the school, most of them being able to speak English. Students in this group are required to take a total of five languages, Dutch, English, French, Latin, and Greek!! They

are not requiring me to take Latin and Greek since I have had no previous background in either of those languages. During the course of a week I will have three hours of English, three hours of math, two of religion two of gym, two of history, one of Geography, one of Biology, four of Dutch, four of French and the other ten hours are when I will be doing my work from Adams.

"The school's system is very different then the one at Adams. You line up outside the class before school so that the teachers let you in and also the teachers change classes not the students. There are no lockers there, just hooks to hang your coat. We also have one hour and fifteen minutes for lunch so I go home to eat. The food in the cafeteria is supposed to be pretty bad so that provides an even better reason for not eating there. In between every other class there is something called a break in which you can eat a snack or just talk to someone.

"Hope you're all having fun. See you next year,

David Leege

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Five OEA students advance

Last month seven John Adams students from the OEA program competed in a district contest in Warsaw. Five of the seven had a first to sixth place. These winners receive a trophy and a certificate. They will then go down for the State Finals in March. From there the winners will go to the April National finals in Minneapolis.

Senior Jenny Horvath won second place in Information/Communications II. She had to type four letters and was graded on several things including conciseness, content, and completeness. Of her experience Jenny said, "It helped me develop complete sentences. I really liked it a lot."

Fourth place winner in Job Interview II, Tammy Van Es, had to fill out a job application at a store and was interviewed. At noon, nine of the applicants were called back and interviewed again. Later it was narrowed down to six finalists. Besides having a good time

meeting others she commented, that, "it was good practice for later business life."

Another participant, Judy Baim says these tests, "let you know how you rank in the district." She also agrees that the experience provided was valuable.

Second place in Communications Specialists and sixth place in Prepared Verbal Communications II went to Kathy Winchester. Kathy typed and used her filing skills among other things. She works for Hughes Associates, planning consultants for city government.

Other participants included Pauline McGann, Julie McCaige and Karen Kurzhals. Karen won fourth place in Information/Communications I. Julie won a second place in General Office Clerical.

These students all believed that the contests, besides being fun were a valuable learning experience for all of them.



OEA contest winners gleam at the results of the competition. L to r, Karen Kurzhals, Kathy Winchester, Julie McCaige, Jenny Horvath and Tammy Van Es.

Marijuana

Pro

(SPS) Head shops in Prince George's County in Maryland won a temporary victory.

A federal district court judge issued a temporary order prohibiting the county from enforcing a law that bans the possession or sale of drug paraphernalia.

Now, head shops cannot be closed down in the county and owners cannot be prosecuted for the sale or possession of drug paraphernalia.

The order will stay in effect until the case is tried in court. The judge has yet to set a date for the trial.

Prince George's was the first locality in the country to enact a model anti-paraphernalia law writ-

ten by the Drug Enforcement Administration. The county council passed it on Nov. 27, 1980.

Other paraphernalia laws around the nation have been struck down as unconstitutional by federal courts. The DEA law was intended to withstand any constitutional test.

The outcome of this case could be crucial to the future of head shops across the country. If the model law is struck down, it could be a terrible blow to the anti-paraphernalia movement. But if it holds up in court, it is likely that many more states and localities will enact the model law.

Con

Washington (SPS) Sen. Charles Mathias (R-Md.) said he will reevaluate legislation drafted last year that would lower the penalty for possession of small amounts of marijuana, as a result of some recent hearings by the Senate Subcommittee on Criminal Justice.

Educators and parents told the subcommittee that marijuana disrupts the classroom, as well as the minds of students.

Marijuana smokers show loss of motivation, ambition, and memory, according to Dr. Harold Voth, psychiatrist at the Menninger Foundation in Kansas.

"There's no question - regularly smoking two, three and five times a

week makes young people less able and willing to face complexities in their lives," Robert Kramer, director of the Ann Arundel County, Md., Drug and Alcohol Program said.

Most of the scientists testifying agreed that smoking marijuana contributes to lower grades, poor attention spans and disruption in the classroom.

The parents and teachers agreed that decriminalization of marijuana could be interpreted as a signal that the drug is safe, and Sen. Mathias said medical researchers are proving wrong the once-popular view that marijuana does not harm human health.

Willaims visits nation's capital

Last month, a senior at John Adams attended a Presidential Classroom for Young Americans. This senior was Gary Williams.

Gary was the only one chosen by upward bound Notre Dame to be a representative for Notre Dame and South Bend. He was a member of this classroom and studied politics and our government.

While in Washington D.C., Gary joined four hundred other students from all over the United States and foreign countries to participate in these classes. They had a chance to examine the problems and the process of the modern democratic government and also to observe the political, socio-economic, religious, and ethnic backgrounds.

Also, Gary and the other students had the chance to visit a number of historical landmarks. Included were the Lincoln Memorial and Smithsonian Institute along with the Vice-President's Office, the State's Building, and the Pentagon.

This interesting and educational experience will be of great benefit to him since after the Air Force, he would like to go into some area of politics.

Gary's views on this week have really changed his outlook, on youth today. "My attitude towards today's youth was broadened a great deal. The people were outstanding and the experiences will never be forgotten."

Adams writers win contest

This month the I.U.S.B. Women's Association sponsored an essay writing contest for students in Junior and Senior High. Three John Adams students received top awards for their works.

Two freshmen, Ted Liu and Romnee Clark accepted first and second place honors for their essays on the court case involving Susan B. Anthony which was the final decision for or against woman suffrage. Based mainly on his women's suffrage, Ted Liu used the personal knowledge he held about Susan B. Anthony to express why he felt women should vote. Also, be brought in an ironic point which stemmed from the fact that

New York granted women in the right to vote, and later deleted their ruling.

Taking a diverse approach, Romnee Clark wrote more of a historical essay. Quotes from framed suffrage advocates of Susan B. Anthony's era, examples of societies where suffrage was practiced, and even excerpts from The Constitution itself, gave her paper a unique flare. Romnee was pleased with the award and added, "It gave me the confidence to write more."

The essays which were submitted by Senior High students discussed the Susan B. Anthony dollar. Kelly Rhoadarmer, a

Junior, was granted a second place honor. Developing the idea that Susan B. Anthony is one of America's eminent heroines she argued in favor of continuing the use of the dollar coin. However, she did suggest that it be reminted into a size comparable to the original silver dollar. This would remove the confusion its present size creates with the standard quarter.

Mrs. Smith mentioned the contest, to the three award winners. Inspired by her suggestion and using their exceptional writing talents, Ted, Romnee and Kelly, all were rewarded for their superior efforts.

"My degree from Michiana College of Commerce was certainly important in getting my job," observes Miriam Anderson, secretary at Standard Oil in Granger. A two-year executive secretarial program at MCC prepared Miriam for her current responsibilities.

After graduating from Adams High in 1976, Miriam considered a number of other colleges. But she had friends who went to MCC and they recommended it highly.

Did she really need a college degree to become a secretary? "I took a lot of business and secretarial classes in high school and thought I knew a lot," admits Miriam. "Now I realize that I needed my MCC education in areas like accounting, business machines, and general business to gain more specific, practical knowledge."



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**MCC prepared Adams graduate
Miriam Anderson
for a job in the business world.**

SOS volunteers speak to Adams Crime and Law classes

by Lisa Parker

Crista and Cindy, identified only by their first names to avoid harassment by crank callers, spoke to Mr. Szucs' Crime and Law students about a crime which is on the rise in American society—rape.

Saying that "it's O.K. to laugh" as they spoke about "flashers," the two representatives of the SOS (Sex Offense Staff) immediately put their audiences at ease. Rape and other crimes of sexual assault—child molestation, homosexual assault, sodomy, and incest—are not easy to discuss, because such crimes tend to be of a rather personal and intimate nature.

Working through HOTLINE, a referral agency, SOS gives victims of sexual abuse emotional support and medical and legal information. The group's goal is also to educate the public about sexual offenses and help to destroy the myths surrounding rape.

Students were surprised to learn that it is merely myth to say that women are the only victims of rape. Surely, thought some, the only rapes of males takes place in prisons where men are deprived of sexual contact with women. Encompassed in this view is another myth that rape stems from the deprivation of normal sexual activity. Rapists may have perfectly normal relationships and function normally in society, but still vent

their hostilities on victims. Rape is not an act of passion, but an act of violence.

A rapist does not fulfill his sexual passion, but instead fulfills his needs to degrade and punish.

If a rapist's intent is to punish, does that mean that his victim is guilty? Definitely not, states Cindy, shattering another myth. Rape is sexual in method, but violent in intent. Victims merely happen to be at the wrong place at the wrong time.

Are rapes spontaneous actions on the part of the rapist? According to Crista, no. Over 50% of reported rapes are planned. If the victim is not previously selected, then at least the location and time are. Some sex offenders cruise certain streets looking for vulnerable victims. Hitchhikers are easy prey.

But, surprisingly, 50% of reported rapes take place indoors. A woman might be observed shopping during the day. Her husband could be assumed to be at work. A rapist could follow her to her home, and follow her into her house if she isn't careful to lock each door behind her. "The rapist could follow, closing the doors for her," said Crista.

Another factor increasing the number of rapes which take place inside is the fact that a large percentage of rapists are known to the victims prior to the rape.

Also vulnerable are babysitters who have to leave a house to walk

home late at night or are taken home by the father of the family for whom she has been babysitting. Either situation could lead to rape.

To cut down on the opportunities of being abused, babysitters should ask to be escorted or watched on their way home. When getting into a car, one should always check the backseat to be sure that no one is hiding there. Once inside, doors should be locked, and upon arriving at home, the garage and house doors should be locked immediately after entering.

The best protection from rape once inside the house is to keep a would-be rapist outside. It is O.K. to be afraid. Don't open doors while alone.

Much sexual abuse takes place inside the home, however. Incest, sexual relations with a member of one's own family, is perhaps one of the hardest crimes to handle. In the six years of SOS's existence, only two cases of incest had been reported. In the last two months, 12 cases were reported.

Rape is obviously not the only sex crimes, although it is the only sex offense for which statistics are kept. Because rape, itself, and sex offenses, in general, are not limited to women as victims, it is important for men and women of all ages to become educated about sex crimes.

Male rape, homosexual rape, is not limited to prison inmates. Rape

cases have been reported concerning victims whose ages ranged from 4-93. No sex or age is safe.

People between the ages of 16 and 20 are the most vulnerable because of their availability and lack of protection. Teenagers who are out late at night on dates or return late from work, are easy prey. Returning from a party with a stranger poses a threat to one's safety.

In addition to the obvious victims of sex offenses are those indirectly affected—family members, boyfriends, or girlfriends. The three male volunteers at SOS "can" deal with the irate father or brother or husband," said Cindy. Even if victims don't appear to be affected, they may suffer deep emotional trauma. Ten to twenty years following sexual abuse as children, people may suffer emotional problems causing them to need mental health treatment. "Young kids don't know how to make up stories about incest," said Cindy, as babysitters you should believe them. "It may be your only chance to do anything about a problem like that."

The most shocking statistic SOS offered is that one of every four women will be a victim of sexual abuse during her lifetime. Of that number, one percent will become pregnant. Of the females conceived during rape, 90% will get cancer. Less than 10% of rape cases are

reported. One in ten goes to trial. Of 110 cases that did go to trial last year, not one man pleaded guilty.

Why are there so few rape convictions? There is often a delay of six months to a year between a suspect's arrest and his trial. In this time, a rape victim may have been able to force the rape from her mind, and is reluctant to dredge it up again. During this period of time, the victim's story is recorded by a patrolman, a detective, the defendant's attorney, and the prosecutor. If the victim's story shows any discrepancies, the jury may tend to doubt her truthfulness. A rape trial is, of course, a public trial, and the victim may not wish to relive her experience for a large body of people.

Three South Bend police officers have been trained to deal with sex offenses. Laws are changing. Some states no longer require proof of the victim's attempts to resist.

Some counties are required to pay for the medical costs of medical proof of rape, and the victim's past sex life is not admissible as evidence in a rape trial.

With laws changing, myths being shattered, and support being offered to victims of sexual assault, sex offenders are being brought closer to conviction and the mental help that they need. SOS plays a vital role in this process. SOS volunteers can be reached through HOTLINE at 232-3344.

And they're off—Presidential race begins

by Eleanor Pollak

The 1980 presidential election race is now underway and the American citizens are being bombarded with slogans, solutions, and promises. There are many issues being discussed but the most pertinent in our present dilemmas include energy, foreign policy, and inflation. Each candidate has his own "perfect" solutions to our problems but oftentimes the issues are overshadowed by personalities and appeal.

On the Democratic side of the race there's Jimmy Carter, our current president. Although the United States is facing difficult crises in foreign affairs, the situation in Iran has seemed to help Carter's rating in the polls. Carter has called for more defense spending because of the recent actions taken by USSR after three years of decreasing the defense budget. He has also increased secret CIA activities and called for draft registration. He has also agreed to send Pakistan military aid worth \$400 million.

There's also Senator Edward Kennedy in the Democratic race. Kennedy is opposed to draft registration and concedes that the Shah's government practices were corrupt. He maintains that social ills, including inflation and unemployment can be cured by government regulation of wage and price controls.

Governor Edmund Brown is also trying for the Democratic nominat-

tion. No one can be quite sure of his political ideas; he has been noted for changing his opinions with the tide of current beliefs. He has said that he is opposed to registration and against nuclear power.

This year the Republicans have turned out five contestants for its nomination. The participants are Congressman John Anderson, Senator Howard Baker, Ambassador George Bush, former Governor John Connally, and former Governor Ronald Reagan.

John Anderson, although a dark horse candidate, has the support of many journalists as well as the college campuses. His opinions differ from many of his fellow Republican candidates because of his liberal Republicanism. He is in favor of the ERA along with the extension of time to permit ratification, the ratification of SALT, the grain embargo, federally funded abortions, gun control, and a windfall profits tax. He would like to put a fifty cent tax on gas and put this tax money into the social security system and cut social security tax by fifty percent. This way he feels he can cut down consumption and rebuild the social security system simultaneously. He is also opposed to the military draft and nuclear weapons systems.

Howard Baker, another candidate, is also in support of ERA and along with the remaining Republican candidates, he is against the extension of time for the ERA. He, accompanied by the rest of his fellow Republicans excluding An-

derson, is against the grain embargo, federally funded abortions, and gun control. He is in favor of both a military draft and a tax cut and is vehemently against the ratification of SALT.

George Bush, unknown to most citizens a few months ago, is now a forerunner in the primaries. He is opposed to the ratification of SALT and favors the military draft, a tax cut, a windfall profits tax, and weapon systems such as the B.I.

John Connally, who has called for a military solution to the Iranian crisis, is in favor of a tax cut but opposed to the draft, gun control, and a windfall profits tax.

Ronald Reagan, although still maintaining the front position in the Republican party, has recently suffered in his campaign from his ethnic joke along with the public's reservations about his age. Reagan has suggested that the United States blockade Cuba in response to Russia's invasion in Afghanistan. He is opposed to the ERA, the windfall profits tax, and the military draft but favors a tax cut.

Recently, two of the countessants, Bob Dole and Philip Crane, dropped out of the race because of their lack of support. Dole was Ford's running mate in the 1976 election. Philip Crane received the votes from those people who find Ronald Reagan too liberal.

Former President Gerald Ford has announced that he would be willing to run as a candidate if the Republican Party so requested.

How do you say.....?

Any average third grader, when asked to spell the name of the Adams High School principal will put on his paper something like: Sheebish, Chiebeesh, or Sheabish.

Ripley's *Believe It or Not* is published by Robert Ripley who makes his living by proving that truth is stranger than fiction. Ripley's second edition may not appear to have much to do with a high school (although much of what

goes on in the halls proves that truth is stranger than anything anyone could make up).

But, believe it or not, the name of our illustrious principal appears on page 171 of the pocket book's second edition. Where did Mr. Ripley find it? On a tombstone which reads merely: "Przybysz." Ripley's commentary on the entry: "Pronounce it please."

Vacation costs estimated

by G. Casimer

With Spring break rapidly approaching, many students who want to travel over this period are looking into their pocketbooks to see how far they can go. The following table is an estimation of how much one can expect to spend

on gas, the major travel expense, on a round trip excursion to some of the most popular Spring vacation spots. These figures are based on an average price of \$1.20 per gallon for gasoline and average mileage of 30mpg, 22mpg, and 15mpg for small, mid-size, and full-size cars respectively.

Destination,	Small Car	Mid-size car	Full-size car
Baltimore	\$46.00	\$62.74	\$92.00
Bloomington	16.00	21.82	32.00
Boston	70.00	95.44	140.00
Daytona Beach	78.40	106.92	156.80
Ft. Myers	92.96	126.76	185.92
Jacksonville	76.00	103.64	152.00
Key West	111.20	151.64	222.40
Miami	104.00	141.82	208.00
Orlando	86.00	117.26	172.00
New Orleans	72.96	99.48	145.92
San Diego	172.32	234.18	344.64
San Francisco	164.00	223.64	328.00
Tampa	88.00	120.00	176.00
Vail	93.60	127.64	187.20
Washington, D.C.	48.00	65.44	96.00

*Figures based on mileage estimates in the Rand-McNally Road Atlas

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The agony of the feet

Teachers keeping in shape

by Sandy Outlaw

Faster than a speeding student! More powerful than homework! Able to leap hallways in a single bound! LOOK! DOWN THE HALL! IT'S A BIRD. . . IT'S A PLANE. . . NO, IT'S A TEACHER!?

If you're one of the fortunate students who leave at 3:00, you haven't noticed the teachers who jog around the school hallways.

The teachers jogging craze started about three years ago when Mr. Mihail began and in turn Mr. Szymanski became interested.

Mr. Szymanski has been jogging between knee problems since the spring of '77. He runs in school for the same reason most others run inside - South Bend weather. Many people would think that jogging around the school is a good way to get rid of the daily frustrations students inflict on the teachers. But Mr. Szymanski comments, "I have none. This is just my way of keeping in shape. It makes me feel good, sleep well at night, and lose weight!"

Mrs. Berta is another teacher

who jogs after school. She has been jogging for 2 years trying to run at least an hour daily. Her reason for jogging here is also the weather, although she prefers to run outside. She comments she jogs here because it saves gas rather than going somewhere else.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman also jog in the school. Mr. Hoffman has been running all his life, but seriously only for the last two years. He runs six miles a day, taking about 9-10 minutes per mile. Mrs. Hoffman started a year ago, beginning with one mile, and working up to the three she now jogs. She runs three times a week, alternating with a three-fourth mile swim. Until recently, they have not run together because of their varying speeds. Also, Mrs. Hoffman has discovered her husband is the winner when they race. The Hoffmans belong to the Road Runner track club and enjoy running with their daughters. They prefer to run outside, but find there are too many hazards this time of year, and that school is convenient.

So, be on the lookout for URT (Unidentified Running Teachers).



Although Mrs. Hoffman appears to be concentrating entirely on her jogging, Mrs. Berta manages a smile as both women complete another lap on one of their after-school runs.

Flu bugs students

by Luanne Kenna

Once again this winter, an influenza epidemic is sweeping the country. Although this occurs almost every year, the types of flu change almost as often. For example, a few years ago, there were the Russian, the Swine, and the Hong Kong flus to make one sick. Symptoms vary as much as the names do. Below are several types, and the symptoms by which to recognize them.

1. **Russian flu:** muscle spasms, raging fever, a passion for red, and an intense dislike for certain Adams teachers.

2. **Swine flu:** mild throat irritation, upset stomach, and the great heed for mud.

3. **Hong Kong flu:** nagging headache, congestion, and an uncontrollable urge to eat your peanut butter sandwich with chopsticks.

4. **New Jersey flu:** sub-normal temperatures, chills, and the new ability to put people to sleep within 5 minutes.

5. **Type B1A flu [commonly known as Hoosier flu]:** loss of hearing, difficulty in breathing, and the desire to go back to the horse and buggy era.

6. **Strain 104 flu:** earache,

persistent cough, and a rash on the fingers which are used to tune a radio.

7. **Mellow flu:** rash, nausea, and a sudden comprehension of Jerry Brown.

8. **Type PO4 flu:** irritated eyes, stomach cramps, and an irrational need to organize all your possessions into related groups.

9. **Red and blue flu:** watery eyes, sore hands, and a hoarse voice. (This disease is very rare.)

10. **Apathy flu:** lead bottom, loss of voice, and severe sneezing within 5 miles of a game. (Unfortunately, this flu seems to be very contagious.)

11. **Coors' syndrome:** splitting headache, severe nausea, and an aversion to loud noises and bright lights.

12. **Strain 6:30 flu:** inability to see, walk, or speak without growling. (Strikes the 15-18 age group.)

The aforementioned diseases are as diverse in their contagiousness and treatment as they are in their symptoms. Never rely on home remedies, never ignore these flus for they are dangerous and even fatal. If you contact any of these, see your family doctor or your friendly neighborhood mailman for treatment.

A non-athlete's look at sports

by Mary Gregg

Whenever I fill out a college application, I always feel a twinge of remorse when I have to move the typewriter past the spaces reserved for "athletic participation."

You see, I am not an athlete.

I'm many other things. I'm a high school student, I'm a journalist (or like to consider myself one). I'm a Merit Semi-finalist.

But I'm not an athlete.

It wouldn't matter so much if I was at least graceful. But what can you say about someone who sits in a pan of chicken fat or who trips over her shoelaces--when she's wearing slippers?

I'll admit that I've tried. In sixth grade I made the "All-Star Girl's basketball team." (In sixth grade, I might add, I towered over my classmates at 5'6"). We lost, however, because the scorekeeper had a crush on a member of the opposing team. Thus ended my brief athletic career.

I weaseled my way through P.E. in junior high. By willingly going to all the recreation periods on Tuesday night I was able to persuade my teacher that I deserved a "B". The required courses in high school were a different matter.

It started my freshman year when I was required to take

swimming. That turned out to my benefit. (I had forced myself onto four years of swimming lessons, and they paid off in the form of the only "A" I've ever received in a gym class.) I knew I wouldn't drown so I managed to keep my head above water (so to speak) and had visions of becoming a female Mark Spitz. Swimming passed, as all things do, and I became a member of the fourth hour Apparatus class.

The name sounds innocent enough. While sitting in the gymnastics room, my young mind conjured up images of Olga Korbut (surely this was the way she started), and I saw myself whirling around the uneven bars in a routine that would take my classmates breath away.

It sure did. Every time I fell off the bars and landed on them.

My tortured mind still recalls the time I ran the obstacle course and got stuck on the high bar. Eight feet up in the air, I hung, with one knee crooked over the bar and other parts of my body swining around in what was later referred to as a singularly ignoble position. It took two hefty aides and a lot of humility before I was rotated around the bar to the other side where I slid off in a grateful heap.

And there was the time in Apparatus class when I actually climbed the rope to the top. The

teacher graded according to the height attained, and it was the first time I had reached past a "D". (The only thing needed to receive a "D" was having both feet off the ground--not necessarily at the same time.) While waiting for her to notice that I was in the "B" range, two boys came by and playfully shook the rope. I fell off. Fortunately, the only thing bruised was my ego.

The pinnacle of my fateful gymnastic experience came when I did my parallel bar routine and fell between the bars. In a scene found only in old Abbott and Costello movies, I slid down until only my hands and knees were hanging over the bars and everything else rested about three inches from the floor. The teacher tried to get underneath to push, but that didn't work and they had to grab my legs and pull. I felt like a wishbone.

I entered the class again my sophomore year and stunned everyone with my pommel horse routine (an activity reserved for boys, I begged to be allowed to do it rather than get back on the parallel bars). Open-mouthed, the teacher gave me an "A" (it was nice to know that I had strong arms.), and I rode on the euphoria of the moment until I got my foot caught while getting on the trampoline.

Like I said, I'm not an athlete.

When Irish eyes are smilin'.....



by June Vascl

On a mornin when yer feelin' specially poorly, there's nothin more rewardin than to hear a body say "yer lookin mighty fine and chipper!" That's bound to make a person feel a little better, make the day seem brighter and put a spring to your step.

Have you ever met an Irishman who admits he is wrong - NEVER! He might not have his facts perfectly right, but he is never completely wrong.

The characteristics I think most exemplify an Irish person are dark or auburn curly hair, rosy cheeks, a few freckles mixed in with a glimmer in the eye, a hearty laugh, a proud feeling, and a heart filled

with caring.

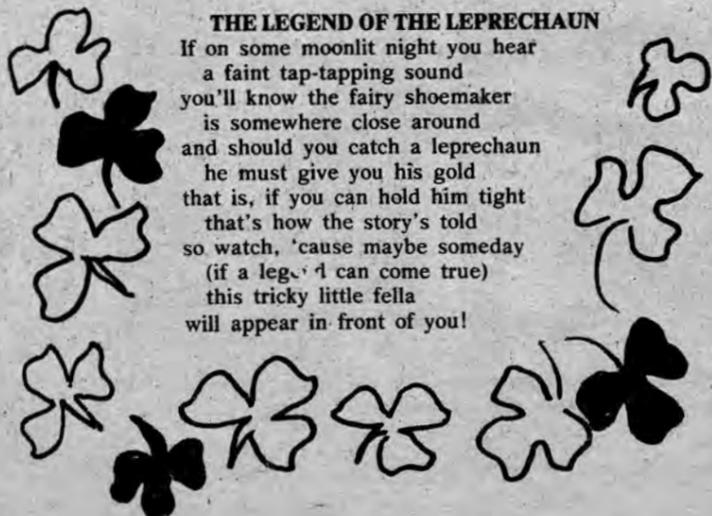
The first St. Patrick's Day Celebration was held in 1845. It honors the Patron Saint of Ireland. St. Patrick, who used the shamrock to illustrate the Trinity. His death on March 17, 461 has been observed in America since colonial days. It's a "Great Day for the Irish" and each year New York starts planning for their parade shortly after New Year's.

Belleek China, a very fragile transparent china cream yellow in color is a proud product of Ireland. These fine pieces almost always carry the shamrock and are stemmed "made in Ireland" on the bottom. The new pieces are stamped in green but should you

come across one piece stamped in black, you have found an older and more valuable piece. They are collector's items such as salt dishes, bells, pitchers, thimbles, as well as the usual china pieces.

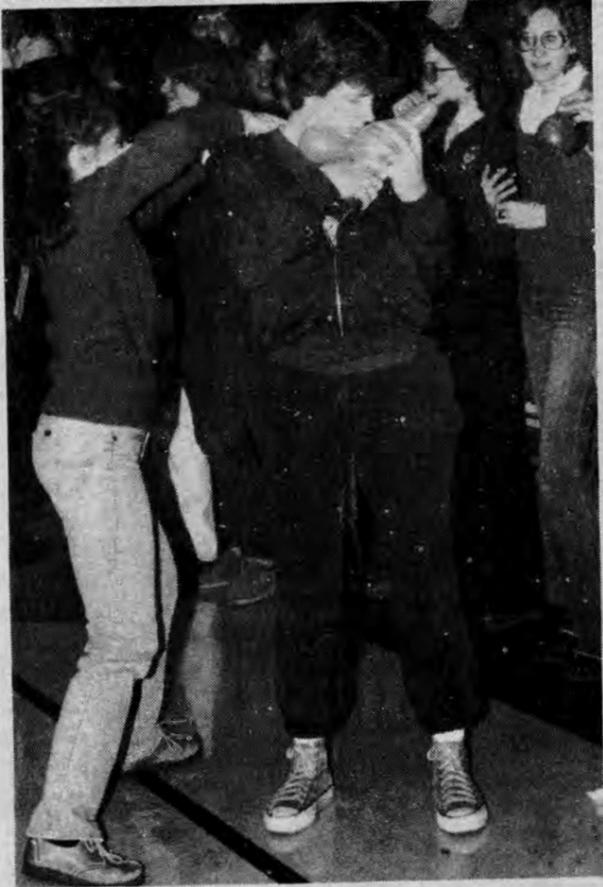
The Irish have been in the spotlight for many years. Remember Mrs. Murphy's cow that tipped over the lantern to start the Chicago fire, The Fighting Irish of Notre Dame, the sadness and violence caused because of religious differences. The Irish Jig, The Blarney Stone, Killarney, Irish Linen and on and on.

In closing may I wish to you all - "as you slide down the banister of life may none of the splinters point in the wrong direction."



THE LEGEND OF THE LEPRECHAUN

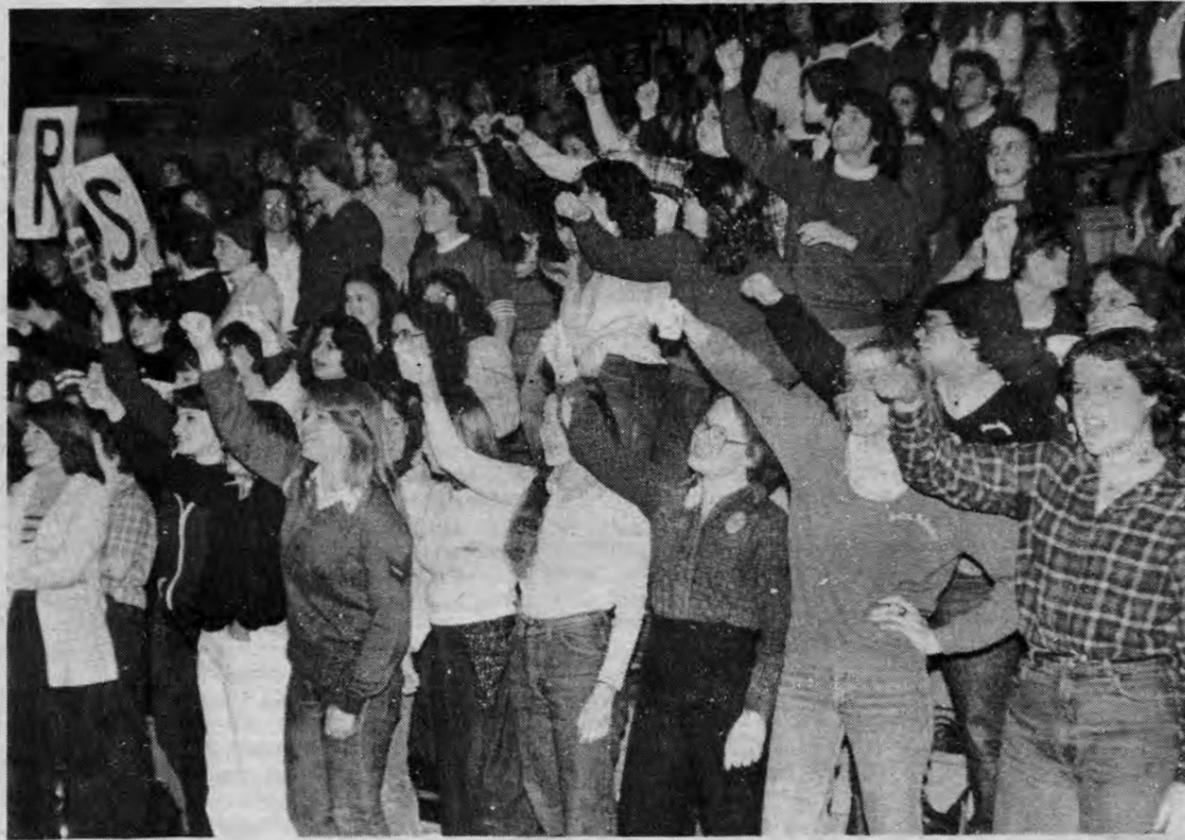
If on some moonlit night you hear a faint tap-tapping sound you'll know the fairy shoemaker is somewhere close around and should you catch a leprechaun he must give you his gold that is, if you can hold him tight that's how the story's told so watch, 'cause maybe someday (if a leg-1 can come true) this tricky little fella will appear in front of you!



Pam DiGirolamo looks on as Lisa Frieden stuffs Mark Scheiber with balloons in hopes to capture the spirit stick for the week.



SPIRIT OF CHAMPIONS



The juniors yell their hearts out in hopes to beat the seniors in a competition cheer.



Jim Krillenberger look to his fellow juniors for support.



Rick Forbes and Rosie Crowe show that the Eagles are #1.

photos by Rick Peltz
assisted by Randy Ziolkowski



Electrical wizard Ken Kuespert is surrounded by pom pon girls Kathy Nicholas, Nancy Nevel, and Candace Bonek as they discuss their new routine.

Girls enjoy outstanding season

by Joy Cook

The John Adams girls gymnastics team is one that we can be proud of. They have had an outstanding season in all three levels. As they round off the season, they now work hard for the up-coming sectional and regional.

The beginning level has whirled through the season undefeated. Their 7-0 record has been achieved through the efforts of gymnasts such as freshman Stephanie Stouffer, who, according to coach Pam Poe, is the beginning level's most improved. Stouffer's best events are the uneven bars and the balance beam. In one meet, she scored an outstanding 8.6 on the bars. Freshman Jennifer Payne and Jacky Conly are the all around workers in this level. Senior Marty Dunbar competes in 3 out of the 4 events her best being floor exercise. Also competing in floor exercise is frosh Thereasa Burns while sophomore Julie Ross' best is the uneven bars.

The intermediate level has also proved themselves outstanding in their record of 7-1. The leader for this level is Chisty Silvius her top event being the

balance beam. With her excellent performances, she shows a well favored chance of advancing to regionals. Sophomore Debbie Nieter, another gymnast whose skills favor the balance beam, shows a lot of potential in all areas. Beth Duesterberg, a senior, is this level's most improved as she excels on the balance beam and uneven bars and Ronda Hetterson's skills in vaulting and floor exercises are giving her a worthy chance to move on to regionals.

The top-most level is optionals and their 6-2 record is also admirable. Sherri Bolden, a junior, has proved she does her best at vaulting and uneven bars. Her abilities also has her leaning toward regionals. Co-captain Roxanne Scarbrough is the most improved optional her best event being the uneven bars. Senior Tricia Mengel competes on the uneven bars and senior Gail Borden on the balance beam in which she is very good. Borden will be vaulting in the up-coming sectionals. The optional level had two freshmen in it this year: Erica Wurzbarger and Polly Harvey. Wurzbarger is an all-round worker

who has great possibilities at regionals. Harvey, whose best are balance beam and floor exercise, will be competing at sectionals in floor exercise.

The top three participants in each event in the sectionals March 3 and 6 will go on to regionals. On the optional level, the entire team advances. The optional gymnasts are quite confident since the only tough competitors will be the Wawassee team. Regionals will take place March 14 at Portage High School.

We can most certainly be proud of our girl gymnasts. One of the highlighting meets was that against Michigan City. The beginning level entirely swept the meet capturing first, second, and third place in every event. The intermediates followed this lead stealing all but 2 places - a second and a third and the optional level won by a breathtaking margin of 1.2.

Without a doubt we can say that the John Adams girls gymnasts have done their part in proving that Adam's Eagles are great! Best of luck in sectionals and regionals, Eagle gymnasts!



Roxanne Scarbrough exhibits meet winning form. photo by Sandy Eggers

Sectional dream over

by John Byers

In the opening game of the Sectional, the Eagles appeared everything but previous 26 point losers to Riley, but the effort put forth was not enough, as Adams lost 66-61.

Both teams elected to open with slow and patient offenses, not wishing to fall prey to the usual jitters of the ACC. The Eagles led 7-4 midway through the first quarter, but a series of turnovers gave the Wildcats the opportunity they needed.

Riley was on top by four with time running out in the first stanza, until Dyrell Reeves busted one at the buzzer to cut the lead to two, 14-12.

Adams came storming out in the second quarter, however, and moved ahead 24-18 on a driving layup by Doug Hadaway. A steal and subsequent layup by Reeves also contributed to the flurry. But again, the Eagles committed turnovers, and Riley battled back to tie the score 30-30 at the first half buzzer.

The third quarter was simply Glenn Voreis of Adams versus Eric Brazier of Riley. Brazier simply could not be denied all night. The senior guard popped one, then two, then three, until it reached the

point when Sec. 1 Row. 1 began organizing a pool as to how many shots it would take before he missed. No takers.

His efforts, however, were offset by the performance of Voreis. Eagle guards were constantly able to feed him in the lane, and were assured of two points. Adams was down by only four at the end of the third quarter.

That four point cushion was as impenetrable as one of 20, though, as the Eagles got no closer. The shooting percentages for both teams skyrocketed during the fourth quarter, despite the fact that most of the stanza was played from the top of the key.

The last chance the Eagles had came during the last minute. Two Red Scruggs free throws with :55 remaining cut the Riley lead to six. Scruggs stole the ball the next time Riley came upcourt, and hit Solomon Anderson for the bucket to cut it two.

Adams again got the ball back, this time on a turnover, but this time five inside shots produced nothing, and it was over.

High scorers for the Eagles were Voreis with 25, and Hadaway with 16. Brazier finished his incredible night with 24. To add salt to the wound, Riley backcourtmen shot an astounding 83% from the floor.



Solomon Anderson launches a long one.

photo by: Rick Peltz

Eagles finish above water

by John Byers

The basketball team finished its regular season on a high note, by downing Warsaw 55-54, thus assuring themselves of an above .500 record.

The Tigers entered the game with a 17-3 mark, and appeared even better than that, as they quickly took control of the game, due in part to some hot hands from the outside, and led 31-23 at halftime. The lead grew to 38-25 early in the third quarter, before Adams made its move.

Aggressive play by the Eagles during the third quarter allowed them to close the gap to 43-39 late in the period. The turning point, however, came moments after a Rod Scruggs free throw cut the lead to three.

Everyone in attendance could

sense the anticipation of Solomon Anderson, as he cunningly waited before pouncing. As soon as the Warsaw pass came, Anderson sprang out, and drove the remaining half distance of the court, before climaxing the segment with a one-handed, rim-shaking slam from the right side.

Adams was still down by a point, but one knew that the Eagles were not going to allow the game to slip out of their hands. Glenn Voreis made sure of that fact by hitting a baseline jumper, and converting on key free throws down the stretch to seal the upset.

Scoring honors for the game went to Voreis and Anderson, who scored 19 and 16 respectively. Voreis also grabbed 10 rebounds, in leading the Eagles to a 32-22 rebounding edge over the Tigers.

In an earlier game against Fort

Wayne Elmhurst, Adams posted an 89-72 victory. The win was due to the hot hands of the entire team, as the Eagles shot a torrid 67 percent from the floor during the first half, that produced an 18 point lead.

The fast break attack continued into the third quarter, where the Eagles saw themselves up by as many as 26. Adams also fueled the fire by connecting on 19 of 26 free throw attempts, and forcing 28 Elmhurst turnovers.

Four Eagle players completed the night in double figures, as Andre Robertson led with 22, followed by Robert Murphy with 20, Anderson with 14, and Voreis with 12.

Overall it was an up and down regular season for the Eagles, but they have looked brilliant down the stretch, which is what every coach hopes for.

Congratulations!

Sue Thompson

WRBR Ms. Basketball

From DePaul to Alcorn A&M

NCAA Tourney time tourney time

by Russ Pyles

COLLEGE BASKETBALL: WHO'LL WIN THE NCAA'S THIS YEAR?

Yes sports fans, it's that time of year again; the NCAA playoffs are just around the corner. And when the tourney starts practically everybody has made their predictions on which team will win it all. The pairings came out Sunday afternoon, and this is how I see it this year.

First off is the East regional. This particular regional has always been known for its powerhouse teams like Penn from the Ivy League and Virginia Commonwealth. This year, however, despite teams like Syracuse and Maryland, overall, the East is just better than average. The way it looks now, the Orangemen from Syracuse should have no problem in advancing to the final four. The only teams that may stand in their

way would be Maryland or N.C. State. But as long as Syracuse plays the same kind of basketball that they have played all year, they should win over Maryland in the final game of the regional.

Next is the Mideastern regional, which always seems to be paired around hometown Kentucky. Kentucky always seems to play their big games at home, and this year's tournament will be no exception. Duke is also in this regional along with Indiana and Purdue. Personally, I hope Kentucky gets knocked off somewhere along the line, but with that ever present home court advantage, Kentucky will be tough to beat. If any team could beat them, it would have to be Duke or Indiana. Duke has struggled all year long, but winning the ACC was a big thing for them, and they are capable of winning it all this year. Indiana, with Mike Woodson back, is playing their best ball

all year. They won the Big Ten last Sunday by defeating No. 9 Ohio State. Indiana definitely has momentum heading into the post season play, but they will just fall short of a berth into the final four. My prediction is Kentucky will nip Indiana in the final game.

This year's Midwest regional promises to be the most exciting regional this year. There are 5 top twenty teams in the brackets, and it will be tough to pick a winner. LSU is ranked No. 5 and they play the winner of the Alcorn (who?) - S. Alabama game. Notre Dame is at the peak of their game this year, just recently knocking off No. 1 DePaul. N. Carolina has been struggling a bit, but they are capable of beating any team in the country. Louisville has an excellent team this year; they are currently ranked No. 4 behind Syracuse. I think that when Notre Dame and LSU lock up, N.D. will win, especially if Kelly Tripucka keeps

playing the same way he has the last month or so. Louisville will defeat N. Carolina easily, and when they play Notre Dame, it will be quite a battle. My prediction is that Notre Dame will barely get by Louisville, and move on to the final four for only the second time in the school's history.

Out West, DePaul has no obstacles in their way to the final four, save possibly Oregon or Ohio State. What gets me about this regional is how every year teams like Clemson get sent out west, and other teams like Marquette get sent to the east. Anyway, DePaul will run any team into the ground that attempts to run with them, and being so young, they will be the team to watch in the future years. UCLA made the tourney because of their tradition, and Loyola must have made it because there were no more eligible teams. DePaul was sent to the West to insure them a trip to the final four, and if Jim

Mitchem doesn't shoot any more free throws in the closing seconds of a game, DePaul will have no problem. My pick is DePaul over Oregon St. in the final game.

In summary, this year's tournament has some excellent teams and some marginal teams. The pairings were messed up as usual, in order to get certain teams into the final four. The only regional that wasn't totally bent out of shape was the Midwest, where it will be a shame to see so many teams getting bumped off. I know it is a little early to make a final prediction, but if Notre Dame plays Syracuse, N.D. will win. DePaul, who for so long was undefeated this year will definitely lose if they play Kentucky. In the final game, which will be held in Indianapolis, just about half way between Lexington and S. Bend, Notre Dame will defeat Kentucky to bring home a long awaited national championship.

Embarrass the Robots in Moscow

by Joe Taylor

Well, folks, the Winter Olympics are up already; let's take a look at what has come to pass and what the future may hold for the Olympic Flame.

For starters, we have a new overnight hero in Eric Heiden. And despite his everpresent smile and all the other apple pie things you've heard about the boy, he's a money grabber. His full page picture in *Time* magazine with him flaunting his five gold medals for speed skating was actually taken before he won his fifth medal (he borrowed a medal); and on top of that All-American Eric owns the rights to the photo, which he reportedly is going to market poster style.

A little bit more inspiring was the wild exploits of the U.S. Hockey Team. Their 4-3 victory over the Red Robots set off a wave of patriotism that none of our spineless Presidential candidates ever will see the likes of, skates or no skates. While this team lacked the finesse and skill of the European teams, it has an indomitable drive that made the world sit up and respect the Americans, which can't be said of many things these days.

The Americans didn't do so fantastically in the other events at

Lake Placid. Wait! Did someone say "Summer Olympics"? What Summer Olympics? Surely not the ones in Moscow.

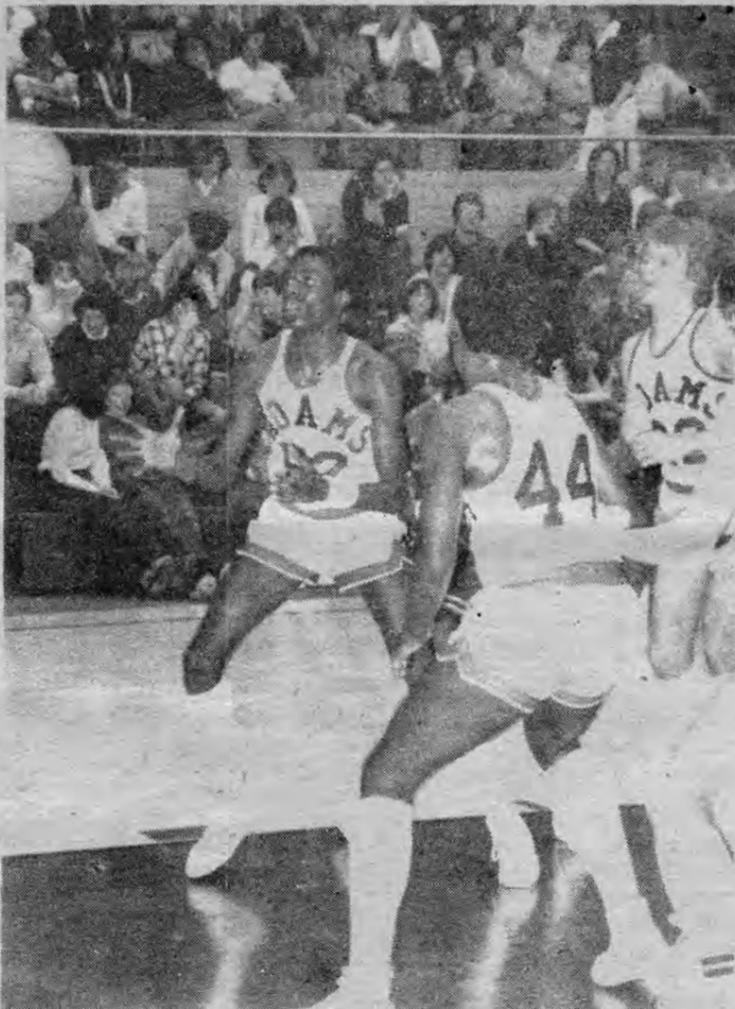
Yes, in America's big chance to embarrass the Red Zombies in the shadow of the Kremlin, Mr. Peanut himself, though not known for his athletic prowess or knowledge (getting in the way in the Pirates' locker room after the Series, passing out in a 10 km marathon, beating swimming rabbits with canoe oars) is gearing up his own version of a team in the form of a possible draft. The Olympic Team can stay home, because the Red Zombies have passed into Afghanistan (which probably wouldn't have happened if J.C. wasn't such a sponge). Who cares about the Olympics, when we can have a war instead, right? We'll see what the deal is when Amy gets her draft card.

I say, let's get Kyle Macy, Ralph Sampson, and Mark Aguirre, to name a few, and shatter some backboards and some Red Robots where Vladimir and Natasha can see it instead of having to read the laundered version in the Moscow Truth. And why not get the U.S. Boxers in there, too, just to knock heads around. While we're at it, I'd say get some American Swimmers to hoard all the pool gold, while the Reds flounder in the shallow end

and dissolve like the anabolic steroids they are steadily fed.

Why not a track team? We have some of the best hurdlers and sprinters around. Who knows? Maybe we could even field a respectable soccer team. Slim chance, but what chance did anyone give the U.S. Hockey Team? How about if we went over there with some carefully chosen Rolling Stones or Pink Floyd or Led Zeppelin or any other worthy LP's and teach them how to play quarters? Maybe they'll have a good time, those Zombies. Maybe the communication gap here will be solved, the world will be saved, and they will live happily ever after.

Naw, Mr. Peanut is too busy trying to kick out another successful military venture in the wonderful Middle East, just after the hockey team sent this year's Red Robot Ice-omatics to the salt mines to rust away with the political prisoners. To me, it is frustrating beyond words. If Mr. Peanut wants to put his forces to work, let them storm the Kremlin (after a brief stop in Tehran to kidnap the Ayatollah), snatch Brezhnev's stereo, bring it down to the Olympic Village, flip on "Yessongs," and join in on the bash the Americans will be having after beating the Red Puppets in basketball, and whatever else.



Solomon Anderson eagerly awaits the rebound.

photo by: Rick Peltz

B-team ends season at 9-11

by Alex Liu

The B-team closed out their 1979-80 season by taking two from Fort Wayne Elmhurst and Warsaw.

Led by Ray Perkins' 12 points, the Eagles easily downed Elmhurst 42-36.

The season was then completed at home with a satisfying 42-39 victory against Warsaw.

Though the Eagles were trailing 18-17 at the half, Eric Moore's driving layup down the baseline on the first play of the second half gave Adams the lead for good.

The victory was due largely to the superb defense the Eagles displayed. Warsaw was harassed into committing costly turnovers, including numerous 5-second violations, which Coach Humnicky noted, "was the turning point of the game, in that it gave us confidence on defense."

The two victories set the final record at 9-11, but it should be

noted that 5 of the 11 losses were by 3 points or less.

Overall, Humnicky was quite pleased with the season. "We were able to play many people, and were happy with the development and progress of our players." Especially noteworthy is the freshmen corps, led by Don Scheel, Eric Janowsky, Eric Moore, and Kevin Williams. 17 freshmen participated on Adams teams, good insurance for the future, and next year's incoming players from junior high schools promise to be just as talented.

Humnicky was very optimistic about the future. "Even though we are in the rebuilding stage, our varsity program is on the upswing," he noted. "The players here on the B-Team will surely form a solid nucleus for future varsity teams."

Who knows? In a couple of years, the Eagles may once again be "number one, second to none."

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