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Yearbook editors Jane Alpern, Jackie Richards, and Liz Gundlach smile now . . . But the work hasn't started yet.

Yearbook editors attend seminars

by Lisa Frieden

While a majority of John Adams' students were celebrating their summer vacation from school, three loyal seniors interrupted their celebrations on behalf of the Album. Performing this noble feat were Editors Jackie Richards, Jane Alpern and Liz Gundlach. For Liz and Jane, their week long intermission consisted of a trip to Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana where a yearbook seminar was held. The basic theme of the seminar was to teach future editors how to create a yearbook.

Jane and Liz were housed in one of the sorority houses on campus. Joining our Adams representatives was a sizeable group of editors from high schools throughout the state. A typical day contained a morning lecture in which the basic principles of layout, type or design were discussed. During the afternoon, a lab session was held in which the students practiced and elaborated on what they learned the previous morning. Liz and Jane

agreed that the seminar was "extremely helpful," and both are excited at the prospect of "making this yearbook the best ever."

The third editor of the yearbook, Jackie Richards, spent two weeks at Indiana University acquiring knowledge similar to that learned by Jane and Liz. Joining Jackie were 160 students from across the country, including not only future editors, but also advertising and business managers, as well as photographers. She resided in one of the dormitories on IU's expansive campus. "My trip was not just two weeks of work," Jackie explained, "there were many out of school activities also."

The format of her classes was similar to that of Butler's which included morning lectures and an afternoon in lab. During the afternoon periods Jackie explained that she "practiced the techniques she will employ this year, along with developing ideas for the theme and layout design." For Jackie, Liz and Jane, and also for the album itself it was a very productive and inspiring summer.

Class pictures to be taken

Underclass individual pictures will be taken on Wednesday, October 1st for grades 9 and 11. Thursday, October 2nd, for grades 10 and 12th grade I.D. pictures. This year Adams will again operate on a Pre-pay Program. Money must be paid in advance for school pictures. There will be three packages available to the students, and all are in natural color. Package A contains 1-8x10 Portrait, 2-3 1/2 by 5 gifts, and 40 billfolds, all for \$9.00. Package B has 1-5 by 7 enlargement, 2-2 by 3 wallets, and 24 billfolds for 17.00. Package C contains 1-3 by 5 gift, and 20 billfolds for the low price of just \$5.00. Pictures will be delivered to students approximately 6 weeks after they are taken, and a display of each package will be located in the glass cases at the front of the building as soon as possible.

I.D. pictures will be taken at the same time as individual pictures are scheduled. They will cost 75c each, and are payable at that time. So underclassmen: Start saving your money now so that you can purchase your school pictures!

Essay winner visits the U.N. during summer

By Debbie Ditsch

Each year millions of people visit the United Nations. This summer Adams senior, Kathy Richards was one of those visitors on a trip as a result of winning an essay contest.

Sponsored by the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Organization, the essay theme was why one wanted to visit the United Nations. A few weeks later, Kathy was thrilled when she found out her essay had won.

The trip to the United Nations in N.Y. involved two weeks of traveling for Kathy and her group. They visited such places as Washington, D.C., Gettysburg, and Philadelphia. Kathy's trip began with a stop in Gettysburg, PA. to see the famous battle-

ground. They also saw the church where President Lincoln and Pres. Eisenhower attended. In Philadelphia the group saw the Liberty Bell and Benjamin Franklin's grave.

The next stop was a two-day stay in the nation's capitol, Washington, D.C. Kathy enjoyed a tour of the White House and saw also Mount Vernon, the Senate Office Bldg., the Supreme Court, the Lincoln and Jefferson Monuments, and the F.B.I. building. "Then we went to Arlington National Cemetery where they have the changing of the guards," Kathy recalled. "It was fantastic!"

Kathy then traveled to Baltimore where Francis Scott Key wrote "The Star Spangled Banner."

The trip to the United Nations in

N.Y. finally came. "The basic idea was to go to the U.N. and find out all about it. It was really great, I loved it," she said.

While in N.Y. she also visited many other places including the Statue of Liberty, St. Patrick's Cathedral, the Empire State Bldg., Madison Square Garden and did lots of shopping. A favorite place for that was Macy's Dept. Store. One night there was dinner at the famous Rockefeller Center and another night a show at the Radio City Music Hall.

The trip was quite an experience for Kathy. "I won't ever forget it. It was all really fun." She said one of the best parts of it "was all the friends I made. I made millions of them!"

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Cheerleaders active during summer

by Theresa Engeman and Joan Forster

Adams school spirit continues throughout the summer. The familiar sounds of pom pon and cheerleading squads were heard as both groups prepared for summer camps.

The Adams pom pon squad attended at Indiana University a pom and drill team camp. During each of the five days of strict competition the squad brought home a spirit stick and two group award ribbons. Upon returning from camp the girls continued to practice for their first appearance at the Adams-Mishawaka pre-game show.

Both cheerleading squads also attended summer camp. The Junior Varsity participated at St. Mary's College in the National Cheerleading Association program. This group showed outstanding spirit and enthusiasm which resulted in bringing home a spirit stick. Additional awards were four blue ribbons.

The Varsity attended camp at Valparaiso University. Throughout the days of competing with numerous other squads they came

out on top with a first place and most spirited squad awards. Along with this they were presented with best pompon routine. Overall both teams represented Adams very well.

Camp wasn't the only activity the cheerleaders were involved in. For the third year in a row they were entered in the Elkhart County Fair Cheerleading Competition. Preparation for the contest started as soon as the 1979-1980 school year ended. Jr. Varsity planned a three minute routine, and because of unfortunate injuries, some of the girls weren't able to compete. Nevertheless their hard work and enthusiasm was recognized as a squad with determination.

The Varsity's routine lasted for of four minutes. All the long early morning practices paid off for a first place trophy awarded to the girls who were one of 17 squads. Both teams were judged on appearance, originality, execution, difficulty, as well as other areas. Each team felt well supported and would like to thank the fans who were present.



Are the cheerleaders suspended from the ceiling or is their formation really that good?

Editorial/Worthy students denied chance at NHS

by Eleanor Pollak

The National Honor Society is an organization that recognizes motivated high school students for their outstanding achievement in academics as well as leadership, character, service, and scholarship. Presently, the only requirement for induction into the NHS is the achievement of a 3.5 grade point average. This requirement is legitimate in that it establishes a high level of academic accomplishment but, because of the school's lack of weighted grades, it excludes some well-deserving and hard working students.

Students of honors classes opt to take classes that are more demanding than required. They set high standards, accept challenges,

and interest themselves in learning and achievement. Although advanced placement and honors classes are more difficult than regular classes no acknowledgement is given in terms of grades to these students. Weighted grading, a system by which advanced placement and honors classes are assigned higher numerical grade point values, is controversial in that it differentiates between different levels of ability and evaluates them accordingly. Therefore, because of the controversy over weighted grades, class rank is not computed using this system. Although this injustice is slightly understandable for the determination of class rank, a schoolwide function, it is incomprehensible that the system of nonweighted grades is carried

over into the determination of which students qualify for the National Honors Society.

A simple solution to this problem is to allow those students who have taken advanced placement and honors classes to compute their grade point averages on a weighted grade basis. If, by use of this system, they achieve a 3.5 gpa their names would be presented to the NHS officers for confirmation of their averages. If they do in fact achieve a 3.5 the names of these students would be included on the list of those students meeting the eligibility requirements for the NHS, which prides itself on being a society composed of interested and motivated high school students, should include these worthy students.

Avid movie fan takes a "critical" look at this summer's films

By Anna Barrett

The celluloid offerings of the summer were, in my opinion, of better quality than usual. It's true that I had to be forced to see the very films I'm about to praise; I blanch at the words "scary movie" and had to be told that "Dressed to Kill" was a comedy about the modelling business. But, overall, choosing which movie to see during this past three months was not easy. I solved this problem by going to see almost all of them, getting chronic eye problems from sitting in the first or second row... but that's another story. I particularly enjoyed the following four:

"The Shining"--I resisted this one manfully. Finally dragged to see it during summer school, I found more surprises than the fact that there was no popcorn on the floor of the theatre. It was a worthwhile movie. Nicholson was something else; as a writer with "cabin fever" his diabolical appearance, downslanting eyebrows and beady eyes, was very

effective. Although some aspects of the movie were hard to believe, such as his son's talking finger and the repeated vision of blood flooding out of the elevator (which I thought was absurd), other parts were great, particularly Nicholson's lines. As he breaks into the room where his terrified wife and son have barricaded themselves, using an axe, "Here's Johnny!" and the earlier "Honey, I'm home!" were inspired touches. I found this movie to be much less violent than I expected. Friends thought a scene where Nicholson embraces an apparently decaying woman horrifying. I could see where the makeup began and ended.

"The Tin Drum"--I admit this one is not for everyone. Based on the novel about World War II Germany by Gunter Grass, it is something of a think-piece. But even without trying to work out the symbolism (you know there's symbolism when what's going on up there is too dumb to be what they really mean) a viewer could

enjoy it. It deals with Hitler's and the Nazi Party's rise in Germany as seen through the eyes of child/gnome/freak Oskar, who at the age of three willed himself not to grow anymore. This person, never growing old, has the effect of producing a viewpoint that is clear and unbiased. Definitely a well-made movie, and the idea of Oskar's mother dying "of eating too much fish" (raw) will certainly leave a person with a haunting sense of puzzlement.

"Dressed to Kill"--You've been waiting for this, I know. I don't care. I liked it. Most people who haven't seen it know it by its notorious shower scene, but, like "Psycho," a movie which it bears more than coincidental resemblance to, there's more to it than just that. If you've seen the Hitchcock thriller, this plot will seem familiar: we follow a woman as she undertakes something to her dangerously daring, and is killed by a man whose submerged female identity takes control whenever a woman appeals to him. Angie

Summer of '80 exciting for many

The summer is gone, so back to school. Oh well, there will always be the memories of summer past. Maybe you will always remember how you laid on the sandy beach just soaking up the rays on a hot summer day and listening to the waves splashing back and forth in the ocean like Kathy Nicholas did in Daytona Beach, Florida.

Or maybe you just stayed in good old South Bend and partied with your favorite rock group like Senior Jeannie Pask did with Journey.

Three of John Adams' serious musicians ventured to join other instrumentalists at three established summer music camps. Jenny Kingma, a cellist, attended Interlochen in Michigan where she played in the orchestra. Steve Laven, another cellist, received a scholarship to attend Cincinnati's Congress of Strings. Eleanor Pollak, a violinist, attended Tanglewood in Massachusetts for her summer music.

Two students opted to go to the east coast to attend summer sessions of school. Junior Sheila

Huang attended Andover Academy in Massachusetts for her biology and orchestra classes. And senior Anna Barrett attended Harvard University for poetry and Calculus.

A few students including Kelly Rhoardarior, Barb Whiteman, and Michele Bogner decided to attend seminars in the science fields at Indiana State University.

World Travelers from the John Adams student body included Mark Weisman, John Willems, Alex Liu, and Sharon Weiss. Alex toured many of the famous European cities such as Paris, London, and Madrid. Mark also hit many appealing spots in Europe. John stayed with his brother in Belgium and is very much anxious to return. Sharon, while staying with a host family in Germany, attended a German school.

So if you have the back-to-school blues because summer is over, just remember there will be the memories of the games, your high school sweetheart and your friends in the year to come.

Student appeals for draft opposition

by Tom Marshalek

Having been put into practice this past summer, registration for the military draft is rapidly losing its air of controversy. Those who favor draft registration appear to have won the decisive victory, so we all just begin to view it as a fact of life. It is easy for the individual to believe something along the lines of "It won't touch me," simply because that is the most convenient frame of mind to have. It leaves all responsibility to the wind until the very last possible moment, when it may be too late to do anything about it. The fact remains that all those who are eligible to be drafted stand an equal chance of being forced to enter the service should the military draft itself be brought back. Indeed, the passage of compulsory registration into law implies the government's endorsement of the draft as a practical, "acceptable" weapon of war. Therefore, there is truly much to worry about until, for a modest start, the draft becomes "unacceptable" to our administrators, as for a time we thought it was. But the human situation will not be righted completely nor for that matter even safe until warfare itself is viewed as "unacceptable" by a vocal majority of the world's

population. I believe that the majority is there, but has unfortunately remained a silent one. It is necessary at this time for the voice of Pacifism to emerge and end the militarism propagated by governments which hide behind their weapons of war and the innocent people they are supposed to govern. Outwardly, there appears to be a growth of a brand of conservatism which would tend to reject idealistic concepts of a new pacifism. For this reason, vocalization of pacifist ideals may take more courage than to fight and die "for your country." But the courage and the will does exist among the silent ones, if they... if you will only reach into yourself and find it.

If you see war as a means of distinguishing yourself, of helping your country, your sentiments may be noble, but please stop to reevaluate your position. Remember what war really is. It is tremendous numbers of human beings being forced to slaughter and maim or else be slaughtered themselves by men termed the "enemy" yet likely consisting of people just as good, just as full of dreams and hopes as the men on the other side. If one endorses the draft, does one not aid in foisting this on untold human beings?

The pacifist at heart may still say that yelling about it is impractical, likely ineffective. But whole movements can spring from tiny groups of people who just make their voices heard and then find out there are others like them, who just haven't spoken up yet. Public opinion moves mountains. A genuinely strong surge of open pacifism could change the world. If it could be spread past the so-called "Iron Curtain" the spectre of warfare and nuclear weapons could be lifted from our midst. The recent strikes in Poland show that the people of the East can at least take some steps toward controlling their own lives. Combining this sort of potential with strong movements for a true peace in the world, there is still hope in mankind's future.

Such mountain-moving may sound far-fetched, and indeed it is. However, the world is in trouble. If human beings continue killing each other as they do now, humanity may as well relinquish its claim of civilization in exchange for a classification as a great bunch of organized barbarians. Many are reluctant to do so, however: Pacifism is an idea whose time has come. Why now? The best justification is that we live in a world where tomorrow may be too late.

The Tower is now selling "Smile Ads." Ads can be purchased for 5 cents per word every Monday and Tuesday at 11:45 and 12:45 until the ends of A and C lunches. Wish someone a Happy Birthday or just say Hello! Ads will be sold for every edition.

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Can you answer these questions?

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So, you've now been going to school for more than 10 years, right? And you probably think that you know your friends pretty well, don't you? Well, in the next edition of the TOWER you'll find out because we're going to publish the results of the following poll at that time. And chances are good that some of your friends' answers will turn out a lot different than you thought they would. The directions are simple-- all you do is write your answers in the answer box provided, cut or tear it out of your TOWER and give it to your homeroom teacher (teachers, you can do it too). By the way, this is an anonymous poll so don't write your name on it if you don't want to. This survey does not attempt to solve any of the world's major or even minor problems. It's just for fun. So go ahead and try it, and you'll probably find that your friends are a lot weirder than you thought.

1. How many Izod shirts do you own?
 - a) 1.
 - b) 2-5
 - c) 5-10 or more.
2. Do you wear "boat shoes"?
 - a) Yes
 - b) No
 - c) I think they look too strange for me.
3. What is your favorite musical group? [fill in the name].
4. Have you ever gone out of town for a concert?
 - a) Yes
 - b) No
 - c) I couldn't get the car.
5. Do you think that South Bend has good concerts?
 - a) Yes if you're over 90.
 - b) Occasionally good.
 - c) The whole concert situation in River City rots.
6. Would your parents go to a Led Zeppelin concert?
 - a) Is this a joke?
 - b) I doubt it.
 - c) My father plays the lead guitar for them
7. Do you approve of registration for the draft?
 - a) Yes definitely.
 - b) Hell no, I won't go.
 - c) What's a draft?.
8. Do you think women should have to register if men do?
 - a) Yes definitely.
 - b) No way.
 - c) What's a woman?
9. How many days did you skip school last year?
 - a) None, I'm a good boy.
 - b) 1-10.
 - c) I spent 3 days IN school in my life.
10. Would you like to see us have another school-sponsored dance? And if so would you attend?
 - a) Yes, definitely.
 - b) Hell no, I won't go.
 - c) What's a dance?
11. If we did have another dance, what kind of music would you want?
 - a) Mostly Rock and Roll.
 - b) Heavily mellow.
 - c) Bring on the Pep Band.
12. Do you have a job?
 - a) Yes.
 - b) No.
 - c) Work? You must be crazy.
13. What is your favorite magazine?
 - a) Sports Illustrated.
 - b) Time.
 - c) Fill in the blank.
14. Do you eat lunch in the cafeteria?
 - a) Yes.
 - b) No.
 - c) I never eat.
15. Are you a member of a John Adams club?
 - a) Yes.
 - b) No.
 - c) How do I get involved?
16. Have you ever gone out on a date?
 - a) Yes.
 - b) No.
 - c) Still couldn't get the car.
17. If the Presidential election were held today, who would you vote for?
 - a) John Anderson.
 - b) Jimmy Carter.
 - c) Ronald Reagan.
 - d) No one.
18. Spell our principal's name without looking it up or asking someone who knows.
19. Do you own a car?
 - a) Yes.
 - b) No.
 - c) I don't even own a bike.
20. Have you ever smoked pot?
 - a) Yes.
 - b) No.
 - c) I'm too stoned to remember.

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Lisa Macri speaks out on integration on television interview

by Mark Weisman

Have you been watching your television lately?

Well, if you had been tuned in at the right time and station you would have seen one of our very own Adams students participating in the program in a lively discussion on the controversial topic of integration. This student is Junior Lisa Macri.

The opportunity took Lisa by surprise. It began when Mrs. Powell, the integration implementor, phoned Mr. Przybysz and Mr. Bibbs to ask for a student who would be able to take part in the televised discussion on desegregation and integration. Mr. Przybysz in turn suggested Lisa because he knew she would not "freeze" under pressure in front of the camera. (Lisa is used to

pressure--as many students know Lisa is a fine dancer and actress, having given memorable performances in "Brigadoon", and last year's "The Importance of Being Earnest"). The principal also thought that Lisa would be candid and forthright with her opinions. Mrs. Powell was not to be disappointed.

When asked if an orientation program was needed for the students, Lisa replied that the students would only laugh at such a program because of what would probably be said (how to behave etc.). She felt that most students know right from wrong and the more the kids are pushed, the more apparent their differences become. And resentment rises as differences become. And resentment rises as differences are emphasized which would in turn make

integration more difficult to implement.

The question was asked about student fears in dealing with students of different races. Lisa and the panel were in agreement that friendships will be made regardless of color. They all felt that students learn quickly who to avoid because there are good and bad students of every race. However, they did feel that the whole process would take time.

After the parents were asked about their foremost fears of integration, Lisa replied that the answer did not focus enough on the more common parental fears. She asked to be corrected if wrong, but said that, based on what she had heard from other parents, the main fear is that of not being sure which school their children would be attending. In other words the

children would not be attending the school chosen. Lisa cited the case of a black mother who said that if her children had to be bussed to a different school she would send them instead to St. Anthony's or Calvary Temple. This was the situation of a black woman, who is, in theory, among those to be helped by integration. If parents such as this woman, black and white alike, according to Lisa, remove their children from the public schools in favor of private or parochial schools, the public school enrollment would decline thus creating a whole new set of problems. And the people who cannot afford these other options must bear a situation in which they are most unhappy.

A tape was shown at the outset of the program and the students were asked for their comments on it. Lisa

said that it was realistic and was handled fairly well but that it showed the students at graduation time, after the adjustments had been made to the new system, for the most part. The tape, however, failed to touch enough upon how the students got to graduation time, and how integration changes had been dealt with beforehand. Lisa thought that this was the most important issue right now. She expressed an opinion in favor of integration because of the learning experience involved with learning to get along with different kinds of people. But how integration is handled, she felt, is the crucial issue at present.

We should congratulate Lisa Macri for a job well done in representing herself and John Adams in such fine fashion.

Take a guess - Who is it??



The Tower is sponsoring a contest. Two pictures of the present faculty and administration will be published in their baby years. There will be a box in the cafeteria for all answers. If more than one correct answer, the person closest to the age of baby in the picture will win. Only those with Tower and Album subscription eligible.

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Eagle gridgers seek first victory vs. Panthers

by Kerry Kinney

In Adams football action on Friday, Aug. 29, the Eagles football team was looking hard for a victory against state ranked Elkhart Central, but were turned away as the Blue Blazers pulled off a 28 victory against the Eagles.

A week later the Eagles were again stung, this time by a powerful No. 2 ranked Mishawaka as the Cavemen rolled over Adams, 48-0.

For the Eagles, coming off a 23-0 loss to Ft. Wayne Dwenger, these two consecutive beatings were terrible disappointments.

In the Elkhart game, things started going wrong for Adams from the start, when the Blazers quickly took a 7-0 lead on the Eagles in the first offensive series

of the game. Elkhart brought this up to a 14-0 lead on their next offensive series while a stubborn Adams defense struggled to control them.

The Eagles defensive unit then fiercely stopped the Blazers and were able to shut out their offense until almost the end of the second quarter. The Blazers managed to score again, bringing their half time lead to a 21-0.

The Adams offense then came alive early in the third quarter as they drove all the way down to the Blazers' own eight yard line. But luck ran out for the Eagles as a heartbreaking intercepted pass in the Blazer end zone and run after gave the Blazers the ball inside their own territory and later scored again as Elkhart Central brought about a 28-0 lead by the end of the

third quarter. The fourth quarter remained scoreless as the Eagle offense failed to make headway against a tough Blazer defense.

Excellent performances were contributed by several players for Adams. Rookie starting quarterback Rick Perkins and right halfback in the offensive backfield and linemen Jay Colbert and Steve Quimby on the offensive line. On the defense, excellent performances were made by defensive linemen Zach Bivens and Rich Yazich and by defensive Anchor end Mike Curl.

A week later, the Eagles took another beating as the Cavemen of Mishawaka hammered them to a 48-0 loss at Adams first home game at School Field. Again, the Eagles suffered from the beginning as their receivers fumbled the ball and

it was swept up by Mishawaka. The Cavemen quickly used this break to their advantage and scored. The Cavemen scored again in the first quarter, bringing their lead to 14-0.

Against this powerful Mishawaka offense was the Eagle defense which persistently tried to shut off the Cavemen, but were unable to cap off Mishawaka's consistent passing game.

The Adams offense was equally ineffective against a very good Mishawaka defense, although the particularly fine passing ability of quarterback Rick Perkins and excellent kick off and punt return performances of Cory Forrest, Jimmy Scott and Jerome Whitaker provided many good, yet unexploited opportunities for Adams. This was pitted against a particularly strong, adept and

well-coordinated Mishawaka ball game. The Cavemen were also well-prepared to take advantage of the Eagles mistakes and bad breaks and to convert these errors into points.

Mishawaka thundered on through the game to score consistently twice in the first quarter, twice in the second, twice in the third and once in the remaining quarter as they rolled up a 48 point lead against a scoreless Adams Eagles.

Outstanding efforts, however, were contributed by quarterback Rick Perkins, offensive center Jay Colbert and defensive linebacker Jerry Alford.

The Eagles look to halt their dismal losing streak against Washington next week. Come out and help support the Eagles.



Eagle defense puts the club to Mishawaka.

Volleyball Dominates Once Again

by Janine Anella

Another volleyball season is underway at Adams and it looks like another promising one.

The volleyball team faced their first opponent on September 2 against Concord. They handled their first opponent with ease. They were victorious with a score of 15-7, 15-4.

The team is lead by captains

Denda Jones (senior) and Sue Ushela (senior). The rest of the team consists of Lisa McKnight, Cheryl Helvey, Sharon Weiss, Christy Silvius, Angela Watson, Sue Cahoon, Judy Hamilton, Chris Allsop, Julie Yazel, and Diane Farmer who is both varisty and B-team.

The B-team was also victorious in their first match. They beat Concord with a score of 15-10,

15-11.

The B-team consists of Brenda Deranek, Annette Shaumber, Janine Anella, Diane Rockstroh, Karen Gillis, Val Lane, Michelle Davis, Debbie Woodhurst, Paulette Deranek, Kelly Jagmin and Peggy Duesterberg.

The Freshmen team, however, was not as successful. Their first match was against St. Joseph High. They lost 13-15, 13-15.

Harrier record stands at 3-1

by Russ Pyles

The John Adams Cross Country team got off to an excellent start last week by winning their first three matches of the season. These wins came against Niles, St. Joe Michigan and cross-town rival Riley. These three wins make up the best start and Adams Cross Country team had has since 1970.

The first meet of the season was against the Niles Vikings. Adams runners paced the way as only 1 Niles runner was able to finish in the top 7 places. Leading the way was Senior Rick VanLue, who came within 20 seconds of a new course record. Juniors Jeff

Sypniewski and Lenny Randazzo were not far behind. The final score was 19-45.

The next two wins came at the hands of St. Joe and Riley. This time it was Jeff Sypniewski winning in a course record time of 16:37. Lenny Randazzo finished 3rd and Rick VanLue was 5th. Sophomore Bill Niemer and Freshman Kevin Otolski ran very well to insure the victory. The final scores were Adams 23, St. Joe 34, and Adams 24 Riley 32.

The first loss of the season came against 11th ranked Elkhart Central at Oxbo Park. The Eagles had a sub par day and Elkhart took advantage of this as they won

23-36. Jeff Sypniewski finished 4th for Adams, Vanlue finished 3rd. Despite the loss, the Eagles felt that they had proven they could run with the best teams in the state.

Although the Eagles are now 0-1 in the N.I.C., they feel that if they run to their ability, they can finish at least 7-2 in the N.I.C. and 13-2 overall. The biggest meet that lies ahead is the Adams-Penn meet on Sept. 25 at Penn. This is the best chance yet for Adams to beat Penn since records have been kept. Your support will be essential in obtaining this victory. Come on out to this meet and all the meets to lend your valuable support.

Girls Swimming Building Strength

by Mary Stewart

Have you noticed a group of girls walking around school with brassy, bleached-out hair and muscular, toned bodies? Well, those girls belong to the girls swim team.

The swim team has been training very hard this season to make up for the lack of depth in the team. The team lost many seniors last year who accounted for a great part of the team. This year's team has only one new freshman; she is Jane Brown. Returning as juniors are

Debbie DeFreeuw, Tess Doering, Lisa Orr, Mary Stewart, Cindy Joers, Maria Kusbach and Ingrid Marshall.

The team has been working hard by lifting weights, running and swimming. Coach Smith purchased drag suits this year which help the team a great deal. If you look into the pool door and see what looks like a guy's swim suit over the girls' swimming suits don't be confused; they're just wearing drag suits.

Coach Smith has emphasized

that "the team may be small but they're gonna be tough!" Their first meet is away at Valparaiso on September 9th. And two days later on September 11th the team will hold its first home meet against Washington. So wander over to Adams next Thursday and do some rooting for the Seagals. Coach Smith is looking for anyone interested in swimming for the team. You don't have to be a "superstar"; you just have to know how to swim. For more information talk to Coach Smith at the pool.

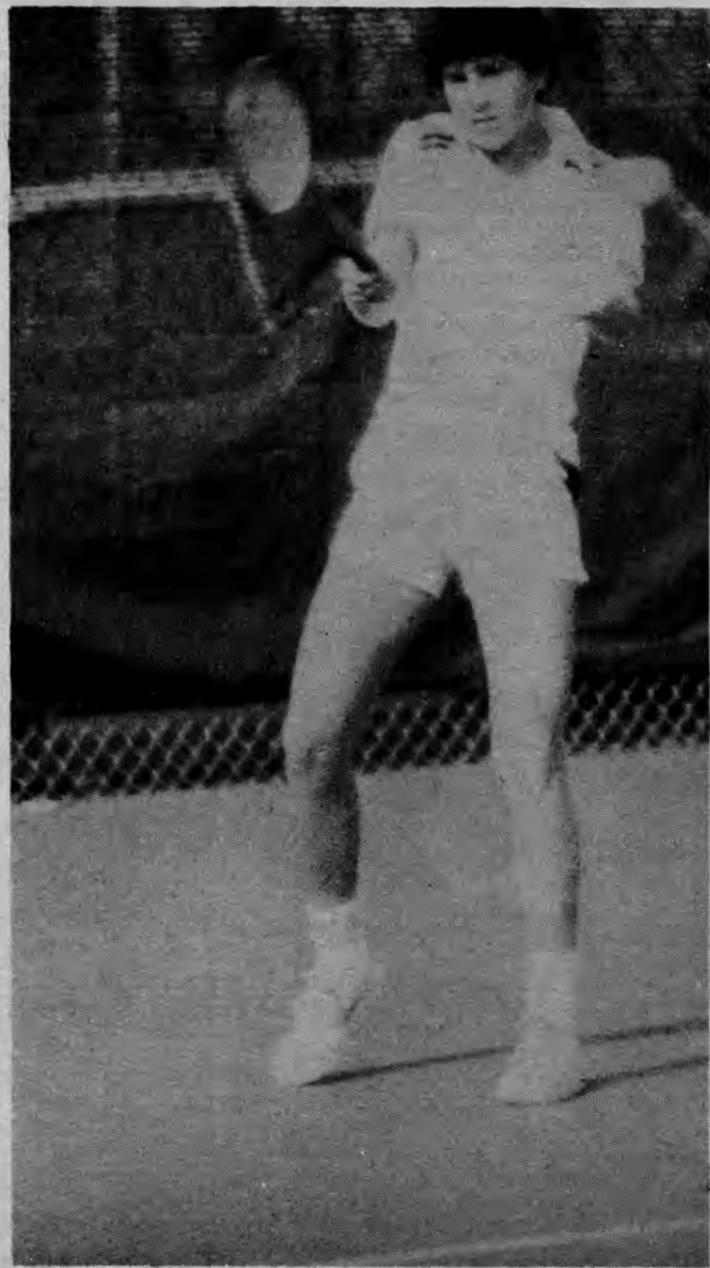
Boys Tennis Undefeated

by Greta Roemer

The 1980 Boys Tennis Team, under the guidance of Coach Mike Allen, has gotten off to an impressive start. Currently sporting a 5-0 record, the team is 1st in NIC. The line-up boasts an incredible amount of talent. They are led by freshman Paul Koscielski with an unblemished record, followed by his brother Matt, a senior, who was one of the five best players in the NIC last year. Sophomore Chris Toal has a hard act to follow, but with only one defeat he is doing a very good job at #3. Senior Bill Witsken and junior Lee Fonacier and freshmen Chris Foley and Benson Yang form strong doubles contingent. Chris and Benson were the deciding factor in a previous victory against Elkhart Memorial. With such a

good team it is important to have a back-up and Phil Grayson fills his job well.

The team has put in a lot of extra hours. While most of us were at the beach or pool, members of the team were busy on the courts, perfecting their form for the tough season ahead. It is also interesting to note that everyone on the varsity played during the winter, and most of them played tournaments. The improvement of the team this year can be attributed vastly to this factor as many other teams do not have so many players with this determination. The team is entering its toughest section of the season, with opponents such as Riley and Penn challenging their supremacy. They would like to see as many people as possible at matches and encourage all support. Good luck, eagles - go for it!



Freshman phenom Paul Koscielski lashes a forehand.