

SCHOOL SOLD

Due to huge deficits in the school budget, John Adams High School has been sold to an Urban renewal project. Suggested uses for the facilities include the construction of a new all weather shopping mall and a McDonald's. At right is a picture of Adams during happier days.



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Semifinalists become finalists

Last fall, seven semifinalists representing John Adams were chosen to further compete for the National Merit Finalist status. All seven of these students have advanced to that finalist position. They are: Margaret Goerner, George Goetz, Rebecca Robinson, Joseph Ross, Amy Smith, and Steve Prullage, who has since moved to Chicago.

These six students from Adams are only some of the fourteen

thousand students across the nation competing for the one thousand National Merit \$1,000 scholarships, and the some two thousand eight hundred four-year (tuition) scholarships to be awarded in the Spring. Those finalists chosen for these awards will be notified during either March or April.

The following schedule applied to these finalists and further announcements concerning them:

April 6 - Announcements of about 1,300 winners of corporate sponsored four year Merit Scholarships.

April 20 - Announcement of 1,000 winners of the \$1,000 scholarships.

April 27 - Announcement of some 1,500 winners of college-sponsored four-year Merit Scholarships.

"SOUTH PACIFIC" PRESENTED IN APRIL

Once again, the John Adams Drama, Music and Art Departments are presenting a Spring musical. This year, it is Rodgers and Hammerstein's classic "South Pacific." Taken from James Michener's Pulitzer Prize winning novel, "Tales of the South Pacific," it is the story of a French planter, played by Dave Laven and John Sterchi, and the scatter-brained nurse, Nellie Forbush, played by Maribeth Fiely and Julie Johnson. The happiness that they find together is shattered by racial prejudices that have followed Emile to the island.

The secondary love theme is that of the likeable Marine, Lt. Joe

Cable, portrayed by Theron Henry and Willie Johnson, and Liat, Bloody Mary's daughter, played by Alma Fonacier. Amy Johnson and Rini Yang, who play Bloody Mary convince Cable to go see Liat on the island of Bali Hai because "he damn sexy man," and Cable and Liat fall in love.

Among the comic characters in "South Pacific" is Luther Billis, portrayed by John Corona and Ted Manier. His hilarious escapades and female impersonation in "Honey Bun" add much laughter to the musical. Joe Gresinger is Captain Brackett, the strict island commander who somehow always lets his good side show.

Rounding out the cast are the numerous minor leads and the dancers and chorus. It is being directed by Mr. Brady and the music director is Mr. Allen. The orchestra is being rehearsed by Mr. Germano and the sets are being built with the help of Mr. Seely and Mr. Semanski.

The efforts of all these people will finally come together after 7 long weeks of work for three performances on April 21, 22, and 23, in the auditorium. Tickets can be bought from any member of the cast and crew. Come and see what should prove to be the best musical in a long time.

IN MEMORIAM.. THERESA BURNETT

Why must we die
For we know everyone will cry
Why must we die
Why not live everyone live,
Just live, live, everyone live
We can build onto the earth
So people will have room to live
Why must we die
Why take us young people
for we have not lived long
Enough to know any better,
Why take our elders, for
they have not finished teaching
us all we need to know.

Why must we die
Theresa, for she is young, she will
rest above the sun. She'll have "no
more heartachs, no more pains, no
more suffering, for she is claimed"
she is not claimed by me nor by
you. But by a man named God,
we'll some day meet too!

Lesia M. Murray



1961-1977

"A Star is born", to shine so
bright.
"A Star" does not die at morning
light.

I knew Theresa, maybe not as well
as some.

But I know this, maybe physically
she is gone,
But in the hearts of her closest
friends and I,
her shining bright spirit, and
friendliness, and
love lingers on.

I didn't know a lot about her, but
what I did not
was very nice.

For we never shared a frown, but
we shared many
laughs.

Laughs of joy, happiness and most
of all friendship.

To those who were closer to her
than me,

I express my deepest sympathy.
And to those who were not as close,
I express regret for not knowing
"A Star Ms. Theresa Burnett."
May she rest in peace.

Dewan E. Warbington

Theresa was warm, so gentle, so
kind,
Thinking of others all the time
Remember her laugh
Remember her smile
That genuine lady
Who was always in style
She came into this world a baby in
need,

She left this world a woman indeed
Forget her not, for she has gone
Gone beyond the twilight zone,
For above to that heavenly home
She talked of the Future
She looked for love
By now she's attending
Those heavens above
The time has come

The time is near
For us to prepare
For that great day up there
Where we shall meet
Theresa Bennett once more
As we walk through those
Heavenly Doors.
by Veronica Lee

Chess Team Competes

On Saturday, March 19, the Adams Chess team participated in the Regional tournament in Elkhart. The varsity team, consisting of Hugh Featherstone, Joe Ross, Martin Pollak and Chris Sayre, placed 6th in the tournament, bowing to a strong Concord team. The B-team, also

participating placed 13th. The second team consists of Ed Fisette, Stu Shapiro, Jerome Whipkey and John Pask. The Chess teams are composed of the top players of the chess club, sponsored by Mr. Krause. The team also participated in the Valparaiso Invitational earlier this year, placing 4th.

LOVE

Love comes
Love goes
Love hides
Love shows
Love has not one home

Love is here
Love is there
Love seems to be everywhere

Love is you
Love is me
Love is what you let it be

Love is warm
Love is cold
Love is shy
Love is bold
Love is happy
Love is sad
Love is good
But never bad

Love me now
Be Friends tomorrow
Remember our love
But not our sorrow
by Linda Grayson

Values

Many people value different things,
like money, cars, or diamond rings.
In fact many people would rather kill,
to be left in someones will.
They'd rather commit a silly crime,
just to earn a silver dime.
Wouldn't this world be a better place
to live, if people would be happier
to give.
Maybe someday we will learn,
how to value what we earn
If this day comes, somehow some way,
Will we be able to value that day?
by Shelly Hill

Love, Shyness, and Tears

How do I say I love you, when I am so shy
I just can't seem to tell you, I really don't know why
I never said I love you, to anyone before
The longer I put it off, the feelings grow more and more
I'm going to say I love you, that's what I'm going to do
And I just hope you say, that you love me too.
One thing I can do, is to hope and to pray
That you won't tell me no, but that you'll want me to stay
If you tell me you want me, I'll be as high as a kite
I'll be so high, that I'll be outta sight
But please don't say yes, just as a fling
I'd hate to be dangling, there by a string
If it won't work out, please just say so
But if you do, forgive me, for tears may flow.

John Fisher

B.L.A.C.K.

B is for our skin
So beautiful black
L is for the love
that none of us lack
A is for Africa
our real mother land
C is for the challenge
Which lies in our hands
K is for the kindness
in which we give
To this country
in which we live
by Linda Grayson

Non-Existing

Is this life real, because of the way I feel.
As if there is an empty place and I don't know what can fill this space.
Maybe there's an answer somehow, somewhere,
that can fill that something that isn't there.
It seems no matter how hard I search or
Where I go, this empty place always seems
Maybe this thing that doesn't exist, is hidden
somewhere in the fog or mist.
This thing is somewhere and that's no lie,
so I'll keep searching until I die.
by Shelly Hill

Exceptance

Walk with your head high
Make a goal to reach the sky
Walk with your head low
Make a goal to reach your toes
For I shall except you
With all your weaks and strongs
With all your rights
And your wrongs
For you are you
And I am I
Establish this fact
And you will see
The mark of exceptance
You've made by, me.
by Linda Grayson

Free

What could I possibly say
Except that I was as happy as can be
That after two hundred and fifty years
We could finally be free
My heart, my heart was filled with joy
There wasn't a bitter bone in my body.
Because for those five years
I was kept in bondage
The only thing that I wanted was to be free
As free as the wind that blows in the night
As free as the sun that shines so bright
As free as the grass that grows so green
As free as the scene of a cold running stream
Free to do whatever I please
Because now I am free to be me
Just as I please
by Linda Grayson

The Probable Cause * of Love *

On the earth today
Man has a need for love
It gives out feelings
And from feelings; brings comfort
Love is much like a tide
At its own pace, it comes and goes
Like a breeze of fresh air
It has the skill to be a pair
The pressure to secure
Brings the thought to be pure
Sunshine is the light of day
But love is where you should stay
Brotherly love is the best
From a brother, you get a little zest
Love is not something to be bought
Underneath it all, it is but a thought
Man is like a wing from a dove
It soars through the air and comes to "Love"
by Jud Green

Survival of The Chickonest

I went to a night club named Shula's
And bumped into a girl named Lula
Her skirt was short, her blouse was tight
Her boyfriend was big, and ready to fight
His shoulders were wide, his neck was red
I thought for a moment, I soon could be dead
His biceps were thick, his fists, big as softballs
He's the kind of person, who'd make obscene phone calls
It was necessary to think fast
For my next thought, could be my last
Depending solely upon my wrath
I kicked him swiftly in the calf
His knees crashed loudly against the floor
I saw my chance, and ran out the door
I knew it was the coward's way out
But I had survived, avoided the bout
I guess I shouldn't've gone to the Heidleburg
But what rhymes with Heidleburg?
Lynn Taylor

Mirthology

It's Greek to me,
Apollo, Athena, and Eurydice.
The beauty of Venus, the love of Cupid,
Oh, goddess to wisdom, I feel so stupid.
The myths to remember
I'll have by December.
Every God is married once or twice,
Now who am I to tell Jove that isn't nice?
It's a quarter to one, my nails to the quick,
The clock that is ticking is making me sick.
Far more tragic than Antigone,
Is the grade the test has in store for me.
This week-end when friends are making merry,
I'll be taking the River Styx ferry.
And yet upon my decent to Pluto,
if it's all the same
I'll call upon Hera and what's-his-name.
by Lisa Parker

Time

Time to go
Time to come
Time to be born
Time to die
Time to laugh
Time to cry
Time to be quiet
Time to talk
Time to run
Time to walk
What next?
only time will tell
Linda Grayson

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How Do Students Really

It has come to the attention of the Tower staff that the Tower has published few articles about how the students at Adams view controversial issues. Other high school newspapers have delved extensively into this type of article. A few editors have even sold their souls for a good survey article.

Since the Tower is always trying to please its readers, we decided to poll a random sample of our students to get their opinions about a certain subject.

Since this is one of the first serious attempts at this type of activity, we wanted to start off with a reasonably easy subject. We

	Yes	no
All Students	72%	16%
Male	49%	15%
Female	52%	17%
Freshmen	32%	33%
Sophomores	16%	12%
Juniors	26%	26%
Seniors	0%	1%
White*	12%	16%
Black*	19%	28%
Grey*	2%	17%
College Graduates	44%	66%
High School Graduates	32%	45%
Grade School Graduates	37%	64%
Good-Looking	37%	15%
Ugly	32%	15%
Tall	11%	11%
Short	22%	22%
Well-Dressed	24%	68%
Sloppy	54%	77%
Blue Collar	24%	47%
White Collar	55%	24%
Ring-Around-The-Collar	6%	4%
Mature	75%	33%
Immature	44%	33%
Jocks	56%	65%
Unjocks	67%	76%
Venezuelans	19%	91%
Animal	84%	36%
Mineral	55%	65%
Vegetable	75%	5%

*due to the theft of our crayons, these figures are incomplete

When asked about their answers, students gave a wide range of reasons to support their opinions. Students who felt that students should not be released after school often brought up the rising rate of juvenile crime. One student said, "If we let these kids out they can go right out and get involved in illicit skiddle pool rings." The students who disagreed suggested that it would be impractical and expensive to support the students in school for

twenty-four hours. One young lady declared, "It costs the taxpayers enough money to have the teachers live here, the costs would multiply be adding students. Also, living with the teachers might cause us to degenerate as quickly as they did." Some of the more interesting responses from the undecided students were, "Gee, I don't know" and "Gosh, I'm not sure." Other repsonses included, "What did you say?" and "huh?." Also included in the 'other' category

Outworlder Visits High School

Sometime in the history of some remote high school a student entered for his first time. His name was John, and he became a freshman. Like most other guys his age, John was more interested in sports, clubs, and dances than school. But John was different. He was from another planet.

He had been sent to Terra (known to us as Earth) by The Council to study our culture. Having learned English from T.V. signals over 10 years old, John at first wore skinny ties with his suits and is still trying to let his hair grow out from a "fashionable" crew cut. This he learned during his freshman year besides the fact that the reason that assemblies are boring is because you can't see or hear in the freshman balcony.

Sophomore year was an improvement. Besides being placed in the mezzanine during assemblies, he was actually in the school musical. Remember the guy who opened and closed the curtain?

Junior year John, having taken Creative Writing, tried his hand at a few poems for the school paper. Poor John, he never did quite

understand that "Sit on it" did not refer to using a chair. He did manage to do well in the Chess Club (a favorite pastime on his planet) and was Waterboy for B-team football. John even asked a girl to the Junior Prom. The spiked punch didn't affect him as much as everyone else because his blood is 97% alcohol.

Senior year was John's biggie. Bleacher seats next to the pep Band, 3 classes instead of 6 (no more school cafeteria with a "C" lunch!), a full-fledged B-team halfback, Chess Club again, more dances, the Senior Prom, and graduation. John even graduated Summa Cum Laude!

John returned to his planet, speaking English with a bit of Spanish with a Midwestern accent. "Terra," he told The Council, "is a very hostile planet, allowing only 5 minutes between subjects. You can't do anything without an admit or hall pass. Only the Senior and Junior citizens are allowed to hear assemblies." The Council representatives frowned. "But gosh," he continued, "it sure is fun!"
by Betsy Brazy

Editorial

Leslie Kvale

In the Preceding issue, an editorial appeared praising student participation and enthusiasm during Spirit Week activities. This particular editorial concerns student behavior at the more recent jazz band assembly. Not that all the competition cheers, shouting, and catcalls weren't impressive - too bad it wasn't a PEP assembly!

Certainly the audience captured a distinctive style, one characterized by rudeness and sheer volume. It may be that most students don't comprehend the distinction between the behavior required at a spirit rally and a jazz concert [a not altogether surprising conjecture, considering that Adams never presents anything BUT pep assemblies]. Theoretically, one's good judgment should prevail, but it never seems to take hold. Perhaps a better alternative to pep assemblies [in the interest of variety] would be to host performances that require an extraordinary amount of hissing and jeering from the audience - like boxing matches. [A multitude of potential contenders are forever fighting in the balconies anyway].

Seriously, many people WERE obnoxious. No one's time can be so valuable that he/she cannot spare a few moments to recognize the attributes of others. [If someone's time is that precious, then why waste time in school?] Participation by all involved is essential for total enjoyment of any ensemble, but not to the point at where the audience overpowers the performers. [Picture yourself at a Peter Frampton concert. The entire first and second balconies are cackling and crowing while YOU'RE trying to listen, what to do? lay an egg?].

The jazz ensemble both individually and collectively, is a talented organization well-prepared, lacking only an adequate amplification system to project their sound above the reigning din and clatter. Ironically, they perform jazz, blues, and rock charts - the same type music that one hears, between classes, emanating from multitudes of tiny radio speakers in the hallways. One wonders that if Stevie Wonder gave a concert at Adams, whether a few hecklers wouldn't spoil the entire show. Respect, interest, and attention are the courtesies that lack - respect for another's right to the spotlight, interest in the work of others, attention to a performance, musical or otherwise. After all, granting others your personal consideration isn't just good etiquette - it is everybody's right. It's easy to miss so much, so relax and enjoy!

COLLEGE PREPARATION

The senior year in high school is multi-faceted. There are fun times and great friends which are, indeed, the highs of the year. However, "senior euphoria" tends to overshadow other important aspects which I found myself totally unprepared to face was the question of what to do after high school.

Although I am still undecided as to what I will be doing and where I will be next year, I have gained some valuable experience in exploring different possibilities. The steps that one must take, if college is a plausible option, are not clearly defined. Preparation for the potential "college-bound" student should start with PSAT's, followed by SAT's. The student must decide during the junior year if he or she wants to take the SAT's in June and/or November. It is advisable to familiarize yourself with SAT deadlines because there are late fees. Save yourself the humiliation of explaining to father why you forgot the deadline and why he must add four bucks to the test fee.

The SAT's serve as preliminary necessities. To avoid total confusion in February of your senior year, begin writing to colleges and universities the summer of your junior year. Many colleges will send you their catalogues and others will send information packets. Not only do these mailings

introduce you to the university, but they also serve to inform you of many career opportunities.

When the countdown starts closing in on you and it's time to start applying to colleges, be sure you have all their necessary requirements fulfilled. At this point one should be warned of the danger of missing a university's admission application deadline. Despite the usual high school academic requirements, some schools require Achievement Tests. These tests are administered by the Admission Testing Program of the College Entrance Examination Board (same as the SAT's). Also, don't be afraid to apply to more than two or three universities. The more universities you are admitted to allows for a wider variety and selection.

These are just a few tips from an old pro. Most of these "tips" were stupid mistakes on my part that would not have been made if I had some guide or outline to follow. Through the experience I have gained, I have reached one conclusion--the responsibility remains with the individual. If you want to go to college, it is YOUR responsibility to take care of all obligations; no one will do it for you.

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The 1977-78 Tower Staff would like to introduce a new feature: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR. These would be remarks by any student who wishes to voice an opinion on any subject. All you have to do is write your opinion and turn it in to Betsy Brazy, Mary Gregg, Victor Goetz, or Ms. Maza in room 216, the Tuesday of the week before the TOWER comes out. The deadline for letters in the next edition of the TOWER will be April 19th. We would truly appreciate student interest in this new column. Our Staff would like to make the Tower even more YOUR paper.

APRIL FOOLS!

YES, YOU'VE BEEN FOOLED (YOU SILLIES)!

BUT READ THE ACCOMPANYING ARTICLE ANYWAY, SINCE SOMEONE WENT THROUGH ALL THE TROUBLE OF WRITING IT.....

APRIL FOOLS!

How they almost sold Adams High School

Translated From Wall-language by Dave Rubin

Good day! I'm your atrium, and have I got some news! Actually I'm not an atrium, but one must have aspirations. I was lounging about the other day in my usual rectangular form when in walks a delegation from Uganda. They were pulling little red wagons, humming along with their lead soprano. I felt so honored (being a mere high school hallway) that I nearly cracked my thin layer of paint. I couldn't help but eavesdrop as the four men stepped into the principal's office.

They'd evidently entered the United States seven weeks earlier in search of the Hare Krishna. A San Francisco customs official, confused by their poor English, had sent them to a three weeks Bugs Bunny hate session. After completing the course requirements, the four delegates had packed up their buck teeth and headed East in search of quasi-pseudoism. After asking 43 citizens where Washington D.C. was and being directed to subway privies 43 times, the four wanderers decided to follow the advice of a nice old man who had sold them polyester hot dog warmers: "I know a dude in Chicago who can help you. He used to be my brother."

Using keen Ugandan logic, the four gentlemen plotted a direct route to South Bend. Naturally they called ahead to make reservations: Ring, ring, ring. Click. "G'd ev'ning, Henrietta's Pizza, Sam speaking."

"We are Ugandan delegation. Want confirm to Chicago for four. You take?"

"Who is this?"

"We are Ugandan delegation."

"Go to blazes."

Amused by the strange American cordiality, the delegation began hitchhiking to South Bend. They were picked up by a refrigerated beef semi and dropped off several days later on a Mishawaka Avenue traffic island. Before them lay a huge brick and mortar complex. "At last," they sighed, "We've found an American intelligence institution." They hopped gaily across the street, bumping their little wagons on the curb.

It was at this point I saw them. They stepped into my entrance, peering about with their inquisitive Ugandan eyes. They approached a student, asking where the President was.

"Hey, man, like, you must'a smokin' some pretty good poop. Like, I don't wanna get you in no

trouble or nothin', but if you want the principal he's standin' by the staircase."

The delegation showed their appreciation with a small gift. "Hey, like, super, I mean, thanks for the carrot."

Off they bounced to Mr. Principle, who was lecturing a dissident about his "open door policy." "Aha," the delegates mused, "We've come to the proper authority." Moments later Mr. Principle noticed the oddly-clothed group; summoning the hall guards, he led them quickly into his office, pulling the shades. "Alright, what do you want? Newspaper coverage? You've got it. Just don't hurt any students. They've got class, you know, real class."

After offering Mr. Principle some lettuce, the Ugandans thanked him, saying press coverage was unnecessary. They introduced themselves, recounted their adventures, and expressed their purpose: "We like to buy your institution."

Incredulous, Mr. Principle slumped into his chair. "Are you for real?" he squeaked. The Ugandans nodded, happily twitching their noses. "This must be one of Duke's tricks," he thought, "They sly old bum. I'll play along to show I'm a

nice fellow."

Just at this moment, who should come running down me but Salvador Dali, screaming "Je venais, je voyais, je vanquais." He zoomed into the library, holding students at bay with a paint brush. A librarian approached calmly, chirping "One person to a table! One person to a table!" Salvador peered pensively into her eyes, summoning the darkest sneer from the artistic bottom of his character. "You don't like me, do you?" she inquired. "On the contrary," replied Salvador, "I like your style. How long have you been a snob?" The librarian blushed. "Are you married?" he asked, escorting her to a conference room.

Back in Mr. Principle's office, the school's sale was being completed. As the final agreement was signed, Salvador burst into the office with the librarian. "Ello. I am Salvador Dalee, I am french intelligentse officieur, not like my brother, zee peinteur. I haf found zat zhees madame hass tried to usurp your school wis zees men from Uganda. Her name iss Haley, she iss vanted een many czitiess. She write often to zees men, she haf zem come here to buy school. She want studentz sit one to a table in all zee classes."

The Ugandans, completely innocent of this charge, were too stupefied to rebut it. Mr. Principle called the police, who had instigated an all-out search for the criminal librarian three months earlier. Sergeant A. Dowdy of Division I, section 5 of the copulative coeducational regiment received the call in his patrol car. After hearing the criminal's description, he remarked: "By golly, that's Haley's M.O."

The Ugandans were taken away in a bunny wagon; though they had given up all thoughts of institutional power, they embarked on a new enterprise: "Hey Sergeant! You want buy new Ugandan eggplant? Is 50% dried Pau-Pau leaves. All natural ingredients. Is good for natural elimination."

Mrs. Haley was shackled and confined to a room containing twenty people and one table.

Mr. Principle resumed his lecture series on spatial integration and General Electric. And me, the ol' hallway, I slipped into my uninterested state of mind. Still, I'll never forget this story. Think of it: the school just missed being lost by a Hare.



Row 1: J. Taylor, B. Brazy, V. Goetz, P. Bender, K. Traub, D. Kovacs Row 2: M. Gregg, L. Parker, S. Shapiro, D. Bilsky, D. Gillman, K. Baron Row 3: K. Lennon, B. Simpson, H. Slaughter, L. Engle, D. Smith, S. Clark, J. Cohn, V. Kronstein, C. Salk, M. Crowe.

New Tower Staff Hopes For Excellence

The new 1977-78 TOWER staff has been selected by sponsor Ms. Maza. The new staff will begin work after Spring Vacation and put out their first paper on April 29.

The staff this year will be a very young one because only four juniors applied. Along with these four Juniors will be 7 sophomores and 11 freshman.

The Editor-in-Chief this year will be Victor Goetz. The first page editors will be Stuart Shapiro and Olin Calvin. Second page editors will be Betsy Brazy and Mary Gregg. The feature page will be

edited by Desi Smith and Stacy Clark. This year's sports editors will be Kevin Lennon and Joe Taylor, with Erin Duffey handling girl's sports.

The writing staff will consist of head reporter Helen Slaughter, Mary Crowe, feature writers Lisa Parker, Anne Beck, and Luanne Kenna. We cannot, however, emphasize enough that anyone may write articles and have them printed in the TOWER even if they are not on the staff.

Advertising this year will be handled by Carol Salk and Judy

Cohn. The Business work will be done by Lisa Engel and Barbara Simpson. Debbie Burke will serve as Circulation manager.

This year we are lucky to have an abundance of photographers. Dan Kovacs will be in charge of photography and will be assisted by Phil Bender, Ken Traub, Ronnell Fulce, and Dave Bilski.

We hope that our new staff can put out the best TOWER ever, but we need your help. Write articles or letters for our new LETTERS TO THE EDITOR feature. Remember, it's your paper as much as ours.

PIGEONS DROP IN ON CHEM. TEACHER

A severe problem has come to the attention of the Tower's Investigative Reporter. Carelessness has caused the mass murder of countless pigeons since the construction of this school.

These pigeons are periled by an open vent that was supposed to have a metal grating covering it. Apparently, the grating is no longer there because pigeons are constantly falling down the vent. They land on the second floor between Mr. Goodman's wall and the hall's wall. Trapped in darkness they flap around desperately until their death, unable to find their way back up the vent.

Three years ago, when Mr. Goodman's room (208) was remodeled, he discovered 18 inches

of feathers and bones between the walls. Technically, Goodman could be charged with negligent homicide because of his refusal to tear down his cabinets and put a hole through his wall so the pigeons could exit into his room. Unfortunately, Goodman doesn't value the pigeon's lives more than his cabinets.

The Tower reporter interviewed Mrs. P. Pigeon (guess what the "P" stands for) who is concerned for her children's safety. She has to pen them in on the roof for fear they will venture into the vent-of-no-return. She must watch her children all day and can't leave until her husband returns in the evening.

Mrs. Pigeon is organizing an all-out attack on Mr. Goodman for

his lack of concern. Her group plan is attacking both he and his car when he leaves school today. (Mr. Goodman, carry an umbrella). Hopefully, they will scare him into taking action.

This article is a plea to anyone who knows Mr. Goodman (students and faculty, alike) to tell him of your concern. Last Friday when the dying pigeons were making too much noise, Goodman moved his 6th hour class to another room rather than remedy the problem. This uncaring cannot go unnoticed. Say something to Mr. Goodman. If he won't tear out his cabinet maybe he'll crawl up on the roof and replace the missing grating. MR. GOODMAN, SAVE OUR PIGEONS!!!!!!!

CLASSICAL GUITARIST PERFORMS AT ST. MARY'S

Andres Segovia, the internationally renowned master of classical guitar, has taught many students at the academy of higher musical study in Santiago, Spain. RAY REUSSNER is one such student who now has earned international critical acclaim as a master in his own right of the classical guitar. Segovia had this to say of his talented pupil, "The dedication to his profession, his talent and his willingness to work has made him into one of the most distinguished young guitarists of today, deserving of the success that awaits him and that I predict for him."

Sponsored by Festival 77, RAY

REUSSNER will present a varied program of classical music at the Little Theatre at St. Mary's College, March 30 at 7:30 PM. He is a well prepared disciple and an excellent representative of the Andres Segovia School of classical guitar playing. He has not only studied with the Spanish maestro himself, but with such noted Segovia pupils as Jose Thomas and John Williams. He has won several awards and competitions including the International Prize in Spain and First Prize in competition at the Royal College of London.

Reussner will play a varied program of pieces by Bach,

Moreno-Torroba. The haunting melodies and flamenco-like rhythms of "Granada" and "Sevillana" are interpreted in complete rapport with the colorful Spanish idiom.

A Master Class will be held the afternoon of the concert March 30. Those interested in participating or attending may contact Mendoza's Guitar Shop by calling 272-7510.

Tickets are being sold at several locations: the Saint Mary's College Box Office, Mendoza's Guitar Shop on U.S. 31 North, and the Century Center office at 121 S. Michigan. For information call 284-9711, the Century Center Office.

Teens Down On Highs

If today's outstanding teens are on a trip, it's by train, plane or car because they're really turned off to turning on.

In the latest nationwide survey of 23,900 top teens listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students," 88% of those polled classify alcohol and drugs as dangerous.

These kids appear to be practicing what they preach since more than half have never had a drink. This contrasts sharply with the 1972 survey, when 85% of the students had tried some kind of alcoholic beverage.

Whether or not they think drinking, smoking and drugs will impair their ability to perform is open to conjecture. But there's one thing for sure -- these teens are down on highs. Apparently they're not about to jeopardize their outstanding stance.

According to the survey, 80% have never smoked cigarettes and 11% have quit. That means almost everyone must be taking the Surgeon General's warnings seriously.

Drug use, too, is down significantly among this year's survey group. Some 89% have never used any drugs and 11% have only tried marijuana. This is a considerable difference from 1972.

At Morris Civic

"GRAND ILLUSIONS" COME TO SOUTH BEND

The fun of being fooled will be demonstrated at its best Saturday, April 2 when the GRAND ILLUSION & MAGIC COMPANY performs at the Morris Civic Auditorium. The tricks and jokes of April Fool's Day won't compare with the amazing illusions and fascinating magical acts this company does with ease.

Combining superb artistry, brilliant staging and mind-boggling mystery, THE GRAND ILLUSION & MAGIC COMPANY puts on one of the largest and most entertaining presentations of magical illusions in the country today. Their fast-moving show is based on the techniques and illusions of the great turn-of-the-century magicians. They do the floating ball illusion of Howard Thurston, the linking rings introduced by the famous Houdini as well as the amazing Hindu Rope Illusion, and they have created an unbelievable production of the Eight Billiard balls by Geoffrey Buckingham.

Performing the grand illusions are the Magistics, two talented young magicians. They bewilder and amaze their audiences from the moment they transform their walking sticks into rosebushes,

when almost 30% of the teens were using drugs, including the hard stuff.

Legalizing marijuana doesn't turn on the majority of these kids, either. Sixty-four percent are against giving grass the legal go-ahead, a 10% jump since 1973.

At the same time, better than half (54%) agree that smoking marijuana has become an accepted part of teen lifestyle. This doesn't mean, however, that these teens want to be part of and party to the stuff. In fact, 86% maintain they will not go to parties where other students drink and use drugs.

Although a vast majority of these teens are quick to declare that their attitudes about drinking and drugs are strictly their own, parental influence may have quietly crept into the picture.

For example, 47% of those students queried have parents who don't drink (52% of the parents do). Some 59% of the parents either disapprove of or don't know their children drink. And, 86% of the parents do not use drugs.

If we read the figures correctly, today's high achievers, slated to be tomorrow's leaders, will lend a sober and reassuring presence to the American scene in the next decade.

their astonishing card illusions and sleight-of-hand tricks, the "Mis-Made Girl", to the grand Star-Spangled Finale.

Adding some fun and laughter to the magic program will be George Johnstone, of Ed Sullivan and Johnny Carson fame. Having toured with the Great Blackstone Tour when he was 18 years old, Johnstone has the technique and knowledge of the great magicians and adds to this his delightful flair for comedy. Paul Bachman adds another dimension to the show with his performance of the world's most famous solo magic tricks. This is a show the entire family can enjoy so be sure to bring the children.

Tickets are being sold at several locations: Robertson's, the Niles Daily Star, St. Mary's College, Alladin's Magic Corner at the 100 Center, and the Century Center Office at 121 S. Michigan. Tickets for the matinee performance originally scheduled for the same day at 1:30 PM may be exchanged for the evening performance or refunded at the Century Center office. For more information on tickets and group rates, call 284-9711.

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Feel About The Issues?

thought of asking something like 'do you approve of violent crime?' or 'what do you think about unemployment?' but we thought that these subjects might be too controversial. Also, we felt that many students might not know the issues well enough to judge the merits of issues like violent crime

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22%	11%
54%	45%
43%	34%
82%	27%
62%	28%
44%	64%
5%	55%

were, "Your mascara is running" and "Do you have Prince Albert in a can?"

There you have it, a survey article. We have gone out and solicited the ideas from the students of John Adams. We not only proved that they have minds, but that their minds are working. Furthermore, the Tower which was once a worthless enterprise has been able to capture these exciting dynamic attitudes. Also, I have

found a great amount of personal fulfillment by being in contact with other students again. (Pause.) Hey you guys, I really don't know how to end this thing so stop reading at the end of this sentence, and I'll add some worthless sentence to make this paragraph look long enough. The temperature in Australia often varies between warmer temperatures and cooler ones.

Victor Laszlo

Do you realize that thirty minutes of each of your days are spent passing between classes? This represents nearly 2.1% of each day and over 3.1% of each waking hour being given to these 5-minute interruptions in your education. On days that homeroom is called, this appalling figure is increased to 4.2% of your conscious hours which are lost in this manner. During the final days of the Roman Empire, the students in the Roman schools lost 5.6% of their Roman time for breaks between classes. When I discovered how close the S.B.C.S.C.'s plan for time usage is to that of the Rome Community School Corporation during Rome's decline, I rushed to the head honchos to report my terrifying findings. These administrators gave the insane reason that time is required for students to pass between classes. In fact, one administrator said, "Time is required for students to pass between classes." To this attitude I say bullfeathers/cowfeathers!! My grandfather never needed time to pass between classes! If this serious loss of time continues, we will become as licentious and as hedonistic as our ancient Roman counterparts. Admittedly, this would be an excellent cure for acne, but our first responsibility comes to our country. Since the S.B.C.S.C. has refused to help us, it is necessary for each and every student to refuse to waste this time. This is the only way that we can save capitalism, materialism, and apple pie. We must preserve everything that is important to us by opposing our elders through using this time to improve ourselves physically, mentally, and spiritually.

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I took the liberty of listing a few suggestions for accomplishing this noble deed. First, let's work on physical improvement. We want to improve our muscle tone, coordination, and poise without getting all hot and sweaty (teachers give 34% fewer "A"'s to sweaty people). While walking between your classes you can straighten your posture by walking with a book on your head. Also, if you carry all your books to each class, you not only help to improve your muscle tone but you allow more time for exercise before your next class begins. In a classroom you can work on your muscles by rearranging the desks and swinging from the lights, or you can concentrate on coordination by throwing-calculators on top of the lights and skeet-shooting with pieces of chalk. An existentialist friend of mine says that a good technique for exercising more muscles is to hang yourself from a tree. This method, however, shouldn't be attempted without the consent of a physician. While weight loss is not a primary objective, students who have been experimenting with these new time-usage techniques have had a good record of losing weight. One student lost 65 pounds between Spanish 3 and Biology 1. Most of that weight, however, was lost because of a severe case of hay fever-those windows would have had to be replaced soon anyway.

The best way to improve your mind before a class begins is not to review your assignment or to read more of your textbook. The method I find most interesting is thinking of lines that will surprise, amuse, excite, or flatter my teachers. An example of these lines is, "I

finished my homework." You can try, "Ma grenouille mange votre cravate," on your French teacher. Another line is "Gee, our hair smells terrific," - this works especially well with Mr. Goodman. On the other hand, you can think of something so incredibly mundane to say to a teacher that he/she will consider the merits of early retirement. For starters, you can say to your first hour teacher, "Are we having homeroom today?" after the bell has rung at 9:05. This technique, however, rarely seems to work with teachers at Adams. If neither of these possibilities excites you, you can resort to reading the graffiti in the restrooms. Last week I ran across an interesting essay that suggested that Kafka's *The Castle* is a satire about American razor blades.

These short periods of time that are so often wasted can also be used to improve your soul. Naturally, the best way to upgrade your spiritual well-being is to fall asleep. Since this is often difficult to do in broad daylight, many of my colleagues extol the progress tap dancing can make at restoring your soul. To release tension you can try yelling "We're from Adams, couldn't be prouder..." as loudly as possible. The more philosophically inclined can sing through "Row Row Row Your Boat" several times, concentrating on the last line. Or you can just sit quietly in your seat and mumble your mantra until you gather a crowd.

In this article I cannot begin to approach a complete listing of limited-time-use activities. I hope that I have given you a few ideas to solve this serious problem. For more complete ideas you can consult absurdist dramas.

Victor Laszlo

Student lounge created

Rooms 101 and 102 now have a new function. They have been newly designated as the Guidance-Human Relations resource rooms. Although still being remodeled, the rooms are already open to students.

Room 101 is a resource room. One shelf is reserved for college catalogs. There is a catalog from every Indiana college and several colleges in each other state. Even more catalogs are being ordered. Another shelf is reserved for Armed Forces materials. Pamphlets and other information from: the Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Marines and the Military Academies are all on open display. There is a display of materials on careers of all kinds. Short films about colleges and careers can be viewed on a small viewer or on a screen on the wall. A special cabinet contains materials on the more popular Indiana colleges (Indiana University, Purdue University, Indiana State University,

Butler University, Ball State, and Bethel College). A bulletin board has displays of all kinds that would be of interest to students.

Room 102 will serve as a type of student lounge. Students may come in any time and just relax and unwind. Furniture is now being ordered and when the room is finished there will be a large sofa around a circular table. There will be a magazine rack stocked with several popular magazines.

The resource rooms will be used when representatives of colleges or the Armed Forces come to speak to students.

When completed the Guidance-Human Relations resource rooms will be well stocked with college and career information of interest to students. The rooms are already open and should be completed in the near future. They are open from about 7:45 until several minutes after school. Students are welcome to come down during lunch or during any other free time.

MATH TEAM #1

Another Girl's sport was instituted this week, by Adams and other area schools. A team of nine Adams girls competed in the Michiana math tournament, held at Saint Mary's College, and sponsored by the same. The team depended on depth to carry them to the overall championship, rather than individual standouts.

The team did, however, have an individual winner; Isabel Shapiro won the Geometry section. The squad was led by Seniors Meg Goerner, Amy Smith, and Linda LaCluyse. Juniors Linda Thomson, Sonia Carlson, and Barb Kovacs, along with Sophomores Isabel Shapiro, Veronica Kronstein, and Rosa Hernandez, completed the team.

These nine girls have been preparing for this moment of glory for years by taking Honors math courses. They have brought honor not only to themselves, but to their "coaches", more commonly known as the Adams math teachers.

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DIAMONDER'S SEASON LOOKS OPTIMISTIC

With their first game to be played on April 2nd, in which the Eagles face Buchanan High School in a doubleheader, the Adams baseball team has an optimistic outlook for its 1977 season.

Coach Lenny Buczkowski is looking forward to the upcoming season. He feels the ball players have a good mental attitude as they prepare for the season and right now he is concentrating on the physical aspects.

With only four seniors on the squad, Coach Buczkowski feels lack of experience could be a weakness this year. On the plus side, however, with the strength of his four returning lettermen: Jim Andert, Jeff Coker, Brian Madison

and Andy Golba, this could be a good year for Adams baseball.

One of the key factors will be the ability of Adams to rebuild their pitching depth, which was depleted last year with graduations. At this point in spring practice, pitching is unstable, but improving.

Adams' schedule, consisting of sixteen conference games and twenty-eight games over-all, will be tough but the team is ready and willing to make the sacrifices to achieve a winning record.

Coach John McNarney, the B-team leader has scheduled a 21 game season for his players. They will meet Marian on April 7th, the season opener.



1977 BASEBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Field
April		
2 Saturday	Buchanan [2]	Adams
5 Tuesday	Niles [2]	Adams
7 Thursday	Marian*	Marian
12 Tuesday	Elkhart Central*	Elkhart
14 Thursday	LaSalle*	Adams
16 Saturday	John Glenn [2]	Adams
19 Tuesday	Mishawaka *	Mishawaka
21 Thursday	Riley *	Riley
23 Saturday	Hammond Noll	Kennedy
25 Monday	Clay *	Clay
27 Wednesday	Washington*	Adams
29 Friday	Penn *	Adams
May		
2 Monday	Elkhart Memorial *	Elkhart
4 Wednesday	Michigan City *	Adams
6 Friday	Elkhart Central *	Adams
7 Saturday	Plymouth [2]	Plymouth
9 Monday	LaSalle*	Kennedy
11 Wednesday	Mishawaka *	Adams
13 Friday	Riley *	Adams
16 Monday	St. Joe *	Kennedy
18 Wednesday	Washington *	Kennedy
20 Friday	Penn *	Penn
24 Tuesday	Elkhart Memorial *	Kennedy
26 Thursday	Michigan City	Mich. City

May 30th-June 4th Sectional--Clay Park

June 18 Semi-State-Clay Park

June 11th Regional--Clay Park

June 25th State-Indianapolis

[* Designates "B" Team Games]

LINKERS EXPERIENCED

The Adams Linkers will feature five returning lettermen this year, which, hopefully, will lead to a successful season. All five members of last years varsity are returning, including Seniors Rick Lord and Lynn Tyler, Juniors David Schuster and Paul Gundy and Sophomore Gary Severyn. Qualifying, however, has not been held, so the actual make-up of the team is not known at this time. There could be some surprises, depending on to what degree people improved over the summer.

The team has its first three meets of the season right after

spring vacation. On Monday, April 11, the team will play St. Joe in their first effort. On the very next day, the Linkers host Goshen. On Wednesday, April 13, the squad will travel to Michigan City to take on Rogers.

This year there will be no Golf B-team, instead the varsity will be allowed to carry 8 or 9 members. This means that instead of having 4 or 5 people go to Studebaker 3 or 4 times, the same 4 or 5 will get to play Erskine everyday. This is a long-awaited improvement in the Golf programs in South Bend schools.

1977 ADAMS GOLF SCHEDULE

April 11	St. Joe	Here
April 12	Goshen	Here
April 13	Michigan City Rogers	There
April 18	Clay	There
April 22	Marian	Here
April 26	Warsaw	There
April 28	Plymouth	There
May 3	Central and Elston	Here
May 5	Washington and Penn	There
May 6	LaPorte, Riley and St. Joe	Here
May 10	Mishawaka and LaSalle	Here
May 12	Memorial and Riley	There
May 13	LaPorte Invitational	LaPorte
May 17	Elston and Central	There
May 19	Penn and Washington	Here
May 24	Mishawaka and LaSalle	Here
May 26	Riley and Memorial	Here
May 31	Sectional	Here

GIRL'S TRACK PREMIERES

1977 Girl's Track Schedule

A new track team is being formed this spring - the John Adams Girls Track team. Miss Ganser, the first year coach, has done a commendable job of organizing a team in such a short time. Because of the inexperience of both the coach and the team members, anything could have happened. But through hard work, dedication, and outright enthusiasm, the team will be ready for their first meet, which will be held at Adams on next Tuesday. Although the first practice was March 2nd, most of the runners were training long before that date-some as early as December. With this kind of tireless effort behind them, they will be strong contenders to win every meet.

For seven members of the team, as Seniors, this is their first and last season. These are: Veronica Crosson (sprints and 80 yard hurdles), Louis Dragovich (distance), Meg Goerner (sprints and high jump), Lynn Harper (distance), Mary Murphy (sprints and 80 yard hurdles), and Mary Robinson (sprints).

Because this is their initial season, student body support is very important. Please come and cheer your new Girl's Track team to their first in a long line of a successful season.

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	PLACE
Tues. April 5	10:00	Elkhart Central	Here
Tues. April 12	4:00	Riley	There
Tues. April 19	4:15	LaSalle	There
Tues. April 26	4:15	Washington	Here
Thurs. April 28	4:15	Marian	There
Mon. May 2	4:00	Mishawaka	There
Tues. May 10	4:15	Clay	Here
Tues. May 17		Sectionals	

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