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## Dr. Fallon assumes position as SBCSC Superintendent

By Corrie Wolosin

"I think that the teachers deserve as good a salary as we can afford to give them." Our new Superintendent, Dr. Robert Fallon, hopes to avoid a teachers' strike. In an interview last week, he also expressed views on a secretaries' union, on the principal's job, and on education in South Bend. On the whole, he was quite helpful and accessible. He seemed interested in a student's thoughts and comments. He is a positive, friendly man. It's good to know that he's there, helping us.

Dr. Fallon has been in the Superintendent's office for about seven weeks. In this time, he has visited every school, talked with teachers, hundreds of parents, principals, and other administrators. He has had a meeting with representatives from the secretaries each week. They sit down and discuss what is going on in the corporation, exchange ideas, and work out problems. He says that they have representation now, but it is without a binding contract. If they wish to have a contract, it's fine with him.

Fallon has had much experience in the educational world. He has been a math teacher, a principal, an assistant superintendent, and superintendent in two different systems. He graduated from St. Mary's College in Winona, Minnesota (B.S.), DePaul University in Chicago (M.A.), and the University of Minnesota (Ph.D.).

He rates the South Bend system as equal to any he has been in contact with. He says, "Our quality is good." He knows that there are improvements that have to be made, and he is going to work hard to make them.

One interesting thing is his philosophy on building principals. He sees the principal as an educational leader, one who should help select curriculum and be an integral part of classroom activities. Mr. Przybysz should be getting the commitment from the teachers. He makes sure they are doing their jobs correctly, and guides them in making decisions.



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be best for South Bend schools, and he can disagree or agree with them. They argue, debate and consider. Both the school board and the superintendent have restrictions placed on them. The school board has policies that have already been set, and Dr. Fallon has power limitations. They must agree before Dr. Fallon may implement a decision.

When Dr. Fallon needs to change something, he has many people to talk to. His assistant superintendents and managers are people who we may not recognize by name, but they are the ones

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Dr. Fallon wants to see equity throughout the corporation. This doesn't mean that every building should be doing exactly the same thing, but that all should provide what the students and teachers need. Needs at Washington are not the same as needs at Adams, but both can operate efficiently—to the best of their ability.

A superintendent is the enforcer for the school board. Too often, we blame the superintendent for things he has no control over. He is in a triangular relationship between the school board and his staff. The board discusses with him what they think would

who do the legwork and pass the word on. These people, like the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum or the Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education, are in contact with the principals, coaches, and building directors. There are many people Mr. Przybysz must be in close contact with.

Dr. Fallon praised Mr. Przybysz for the job he's done. He says that Mr. Przybysz is concerned with "quality in education." We are lucky to have men like Fallon and Przybysz making our education the best.

## What's News

### Hoosier Teacher of English

The Indiana Council of Teachers of English has named Mrs. Ann Germano as a recipient of a Hoosier Teacher of English award. Mrs. Germano will be honored along with thirteen other award winners at the Indiana Council of Teachers of English Fall Conference luncheon on Saturday, October 12 at Ball State University.

### All-State Orchestra

Seniors Corrie Wolosin and Erin Kerrihard have been selected for the All-State Orchestra. Corrie was selected as principal viola; Erin as second flute.

### SAT and ACT

Registration deadline for the December SAT is November 1. Registration materials are available in room 101 and in the Guidance Office. The deadline for the December 14 ACT is November 15.

### ASVAB

The ASVAB will be given at John Adams on Tuesday, November 19. The test scores indicate potential in further formal education and in selected occupational areas. See your counselor to register for this test.

### Energy conservation essay

The South Bend Energy Conservation Commission is sponsoring an essay contest for all middle- and high-school students in South Bend. The topic is: "Why should the people of South Bend conserve energy?" The entries should be typed and double-spaced and 500 words or fewer. They should be submitted to the South Bend Energy Commission, 1200 County-City Building, South Bend, IN 46601 by Oct. 17. A \$25 saving bond will be awarded.

### College and Career Fair

The annual St. Joseph County College and Career Fair will be held Monday, Oct. 14 in Century Center's Great Hall. Representatives from area vocational, trade and career schools as well as from many four-year and two-year academic schools will be present. This will be held from 3 P.M. to 8 P.M. Find out about financial aid, job opportunities, and housing on campus.

### Pride Week

Student Government will be sponsoring its annual Pride Week during the week of October 14 to 18. Contact the Student Government representatives from your class for more information.

### Elks' essay contest

The South Bend Elks Post 235 is sponsoring an essay contest for ninth-through twelfth-graders. The essays should answer the question: "Why is it important that the citizens of Indiana never forget our hospitalized veterans?" Entries must be submitted by Jan. 31. The local winner will receive a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond. The state winner will receive a \$300 Bond. For more information call 233-1139.

### Johnson commended

Adams senior Anthony Johnson has qualified as one of approximately 3000 students nationwide who are being commended to colleges as part of the black achievement program. Students qualified by scoring in the top seven percent of those requesting consideration when taking the 1984 PSAT/NMSQT.



# Academy of Science funds experiments

By Marc Conklin

Three Adams research students recently received word that the Indiana Academy of Science would fund their experiments. Christine Coussens and Mike Quimby, both seniors, and Guy Hamilton, a junior, will now be able to continue research on their individual projects.

Christine Coussens' experiment is "The Possible Effects of Aspartame on Physiological and Biochemical Changes in Infant Mice." Chris is investigating the change in life processes of mice resulting from the consumption of aspartame, the main ingredient in Nutra Sweet.

Last year, she gave lab mice, both old and young, 100 mg of aspartame a day and observed behavioral changes, such as nesting, aggression, and learning. She discovered that the aspartame produced an adverse effect on the young mice, so this year she is devoting her experimentation to discover why the changes occurred.

Mike Quimby's experiment this year deals with under and overactivity of the thyroid gland. His experiment is "The Possible Effects of Hyper- and Hypothyroidism on the Physical Processes in Mice." Mike will divide 36 lab mice into six groups of six. Three groups exercise and three do not. The exercise consists of daily running on a treadmill for twenty minutes. Both in the exercise and

non-exercise, one group will receive synthroid and the other thiourea. Both chemicals are substitutes for the thyroxine produced by the thyroid gland.

Synthroid is designed to cause overactivity of the gland, and thiourea, underactivity. During the experiment, Mike will test for mass changes, basic metabolism (the rate the body uses energy), voluntary exercise, and blood glucose concentration. The effects of hypothyroidism is Mike's main point of study, because very little information has been reported on it before.

Guy Hamilton's experiment is "Investigating the Possible Relationship Between Long-Term Ingestion of Tetracycline and the Onset of Atherosclerosis." This is a study of the effects of tetracycline on the disease known as "hardening of the arteries," which is a cause of cardiovascular disease, the number one cause of death in America.

In last year's research, Guy used two groups of mice—one group given tetracycline and one given water, to act as the control. Guy measured how the tetracycline produced antibiotic resistance in the colon and if it would slow down the time taken for food to pass through the alimentary canal. The more time taken, the greater the amount of fat that could pass out and deposit in the blood vessels, increasing the risk of arteriosclerosis.

This year Guy will expand his



Biology research students Christine Coussens, Mike Quimby and Guy Hamilton prepare the centrifuge for their experiments.

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experiment to include a third group of mice which will receive a tetracycline and water mixture on an alternating weekly basis. This group will be more representative of realistic ingestion.

It looks like another beginning for a great year for Mr. Longenecker and the Adams research students. We wish them continued luck and skill for the year to come.

## Next Generation Page needs articles

The Next Generation Page (NGP) is published by the South Bend Tribune in the Saturday paper. Sessions to layout the page are held every Tuesday from October to May, 4:00 - 5:30. Any student is eligible to submit articles for the NGP. Feature articles, photographs, opinions, news articles, and cartoons are needed. Two editors from Adams go each week to help decide what will go on the page. These two students edit, write headlines, and take our articles down. Here

are some guidelines set by the students and Tribune staff:

### WRITING

NGP is about you and your generation. We want to hear about the concerns, problems, achievements and issues relevant to you.

### WHAT NGP IS NOT

--It is not a school paper. It is your generation's voice. Choose stories that interest you, not those that a teacher or parent, are pressuring you to do.

If you write an opinion piece,

let it be your opinion, not something you think the school administration, teachers, or even your own peers want to hear.

--It is not written exclusively for students, though it is written exclusively by students. The Tribune has a circulation of over 100,000 households. Our readers come from all sorts of backgrounds. You can't please them all. But NGP will strive for a "good mix" of articles in the hope that everyone can find something to read.

### TIPS TO KEEP IN MIND

Be fair. Give both sides of the story. Let the reader make up his or her own mind.

Be accurate. Get full names, school and class.

Be honest. Quote what is said. Don't fly blind. Think up some questions before the interview.

Be brief. It's tough to hold a reader very long.

Avoid hero worship. Try for a detached tone.

Don't assume our readers know everyone in your school. If you get a quote from a principal or teacher to balance out a story, give us their first name and last name and their official title.

### EDITORIAL DECISIONS

Not everything submitted can be published. Space is limited.

We reserve the right to trim or edit as needed.

### DEADLINES

Two Tuesdays prior to a specific Saturday edition (e.g. October 3 is the deadline for the October 13 issue).

Exceptions are made for late-breaking stories.

Keep these deadlines in mind. We won't publish after-the-fact stories on school plays, musicals, etc.

Material may be mailed to this address: The Next Generation Page, South Bend Tribune, 223 W. Colfax Ave., South Bend Ind. 46626, or brought to The Tribune newsroom.



John Petersen and Sharon Bain take a break from school with a relaxing lunch on the school lawn. Susan Naiffziger/Tower

## St. Gov. sponsors Pride Week

By Marco Kennedy

The week of October 14-18 has been designated as Pride Week here at Adams. Adams high school has been blessed with an outstanding faculty and a great student body. Adams is the pride of the South Bend community and is recognized throughout the state for its overall academic and athletic excellence. Pride week is the perfect time for the student body to prove that we are worthy of this status with a unified effort. Many activities are scheduled for this special week including Powder Puff football for the girls on October 15, freshman elections for student government on October 17, a pep rally on Friday, October 18, and throughout the week a class competition will be

held to raise money for Farm Aid and for the restoration of the Statue of Liberty.

The money to be contributed to these causes will be raised through the sale of "spirit chains." Representatives from each class will be selling these chains to their classmates, and each class will have a different colored chain. When a chain is sold the buyer will sign it, and at the pep rally at the end of the week everyone will see which class has the longest spirit chain.

Why give the proceeds to Farm Aid and the Statue of Liberty? Well, giving money to these causes would probably be the best for us to prove our pride and that teen-agers do care about their country. The Statue of Liberty has represented our

country for over a hundred years, symbolizing the peace and liberty within the country. The importance of farmers to the U.S. is seen all around us. It doesn't seem as if the farmers are receiving enough money to keep producing farm goods. Without farmers, our country would have to rely on other countries for our agricultural needs. To donate to these two causes would be to donate to America's pride and needs as a country.

During pride week, each class will have its own day to dress according to its class theme and help in a special project showing pride in the school. We hope that everyone will participate and help out during Pride Week and show our school "class."



# Girls' club soccer heading for varsity status

By Karl Roemer

Hey, is this football? Practices three times a week for two hours, and fifteen strenuous sprints as a concluding farewell. What is this? Sue Hobing provides the answer: "This is club soccer, dear."

"This team is a joy to coach. I couldn't ask for a better attitude, and that's asking a lot." This is the word according to coach "Big Ed" Kelly. "We're 0-1-2, but could just as easily be 3-0. I feel good about how we're playing, although we haven't yet jelled as a team. We've lost to Marian, and tied Clay and St. Joe. In all three games we dominated; it was just a matter of putting the ball in the net."

The combination of talent, attitude, and utter enjoyment is sure to come together in the following weeks. Signs of this have already shown. The Adams B-team, consisting mostly of

freshmen and sophomores, recently took on the powerful A-team of St. Joe. "We lost 3-0, but boy did we play great! If it weren't for a few mistakes that resulted in goals, our second team could of tied the best team in South Bend soccer."

Just who are the members of this squad? They're led by an interesting group of seniors, according to Big Ed.

Our seniors are good leaders. They each have very discernible strengths and weaknesses. "Sue Hobing is probably my steadiest player. Kristin Cocquyt and Corrie Wolosin are good and smart, while Andi Leichtman is never short of hustle. Chris Cappelletti, one of my first year players, is a joy to coach."

The junior class is full of talent. Among them are St. Joe transfer Tricia Troester, Lee Traugher, Anna Mullet, Jenny White, and "much-improved" Julie Devet-

ski. "Tricia coming from St. Joe really helps us," says Lara Johnson. "Now we have some more talent on the team." Rounding out the underclassmen are powerful fullback Lara Johnson, and freshmen Colleen Harding, Joanie Craig, Jenny Mullet, and Kelly Gorski. The term "club soccer," according to area athletic chairman Ron Bella, will change to "varsity soccer" by next fall. "Scholarships," states Big Ed, "are becoming more abundant. It would be a shame to see the area talent go unnoticed. There is good interest in the community for soccer, and we're in the process of mobilizing this support."

The girls play each Saturday, usually at Irish Park. It would help if some of this "good support" would stop by to cheer them on, because as Chris Cappelletti says, "You don't know what you're missing."



Kristen Cocquyt takes a shot on goal at a recent practice. The girls' soccer team will become varsity next year.

Sports opinion

## A view from the sidelines/Powder puff preview

By Joey Loux

When asked to write this article about Powder Puff Football, I got the notion that my purpose was to create excitement and provoke attendance for the event. Hopefully, the readers will somehow be able to strain out all of my negative comments, and get a little more excited than I have.

For the past two years, I have been involved with Powder Puff as a cheerleader. My freshman year, I walked away saying to myself, "Would it have been more fun to stay at home, and cut my fingernails". Later I decided that the games were more eventful than taking a bit of my fingers off with a clipper, so I decided to try cheerleading again sophomore year. I did it again, and this time the stands were packed! There were so many spectators that people were lined up along the sidelines. This may have been because we were forced to play on the Adams football practice field which has one bleacher with a capacity of about thirty people.

The game wasn't a milestone in my life because I didn't make as much of it as I might have. Dressing up as girls, the cheerleading is obviously for the entertainment of the crowd. But freshmen who are new at school, and haven't really established much masculinity have a hard time wearing water balloon breasts, and calling out

cheers like girls. By sophomore year, my friends and I had gained some confidence, and would have been able to amuse a crowd, which as I mentioned, was our purpose, but there was no crowd.

The way I talk about the underclass cheerleaders, one would think that there were no upper-class cheerleaders, and no actual players participating. I do think that the upperclass cheerleaders have a lot of fun, and the girls have the time of their lives taking on an active role instead of their usually passive one. I wonder if the administrators designed it for this purpose. If so, why did they make it a joke?

The girls in all the classes always seem to enjoy mauling each other, and by the end of each game, many conflicts are either created or resolved. I talked to a few players who seemed pretty psyched about upcoming Powder Puff night. Meg Sweeney has been lifting weights, and working out since last year's games. She told me that she was very upset about not being able to play because of her commitment to volleyball. "I was gonna do some serious skull crushing!" she exclaimed.

Dezzie "Dazzle" Lewis, who is on a temporary leave of absence from school right now, publicly announced "I want someone to step in my way!"

Molly Lennon commented, "I think it's great because you get to meet so many new people!" Jim Cowen, coach

for the sophomore team has all his girls on a weight program, and told me "We're gonna be hittin' hard and fast!" His assistant, Mike Komaskinski, the brains behind the squad, stated, "I plan to utilize every tactic known to football in order to get that extra edge that leads to winning."

I interviewed Connie Martinez, defensive captain for the freshman squad during her lifting session. While bench pressing an impressive 220 pounds, she told me "I've got my turf, and it's my turf. No one is going to walk up on me."

Ruth Hanlon, a veteran of the sport, seemed a bit apprehensive about competing in the tourney this year after she committed twenty-seven fouls last year, and was nearly ejected from school.

I approached Marilyn Thomas in the locker room earlier this week, and received a rather monosyllabic answer to my question when she looked at me viciously, and simply growled.

Junior coach Ted McNally, who recently made a pilgrimage from Iowa, said "I've rustled cows, and roped horses. If I can't coach a squad of girls, I don't know who can!"

The four classes will hit the gridiron on October 15 at 6:30 at Clay Field.

### Sports at a glance

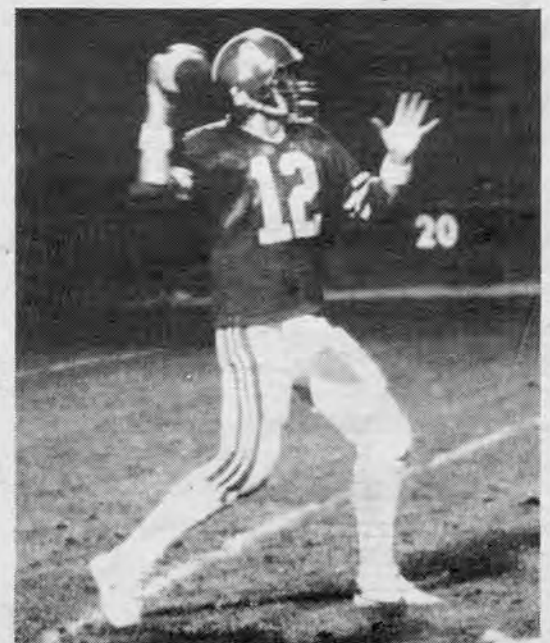


Freshmen Peggy Talbot races against Riley on Tuesday in the 200 I.M. The Seagals lost the meet 74-108. John Newell/Tower

#### Upcoming Sports Events

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	date	team
<u>Football</u>	10/11	Clay
	10/18	St. Joe
<u>Volleyball</u>	10/12	Ft. Wayne INVT.
	10/15	Clay
	10/16	LaPorte*
	10/17	Washington*
	10/24-10/26	IHSAA Sectional
<u>Swimming</u>	10/12	Blue Wave Relays
	10/14	Concord*
	10/17	Mishawaka*
	10/24	Penn
<u>Cross Country</u>	10/17	Goshen INVT.
	10/18	ISHAA Boys' Sectional*
	10/25	ISHAA Girls' Sectional*
<u>Tennis</u>	10/12	ISHAA Semi-State



Quarterback Jeff Mitchell drops back as he passes to tight-end Ron Chrobot during the Elston game. The Eagles raised their record to 5-1 Michele Ault/Tower







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the size of Adams, with six

or seven hundred students. Schedules in French and  
German schools vary from day to day, having  
perhaps, as in Laure's case last year, seven classes on  
Monday, five on Tuesday, four on Wednesday  
morning, five on Thursday, three on Friday with a  
four hour testing session in the afternoon, then three  
classes on Saturday morning. Yes, that's right,  
Saturdays too.

Differences do exist, though, between European  
schools because while Ralf's day was over about two  
o'clock, Laure remained in school until six o'clock  
some days. She did have a three hour lunch break,  
however, which many American students tired of  
gulping down food in forty-five minutes wouldn't  
mind at all.

Even with all the differences, American life was not  
too far from the expected. Laure, having met some  
American foreign exchange students, said, "Before I  
came here, I was already prepared. I didn't come with  
prejudice."

A little prejudice is hard to escape however, as Ralf  
illustrated. Although he said that most Germans did  
not really believe that American shows like Dynasty  
and Dallas truly represented American life, he  
admitted that he was, "a bit disappointed about the  
cars." Apparently, he thought he was going to find a  
limosine on every corner.

Ralf went on to say that a while ago there was an  
anti-American movement in Germany concerning the  
deployment of MX missiles in Europe. "That started  
an anti-American feeling, but that's over again. I  
think the picture Germans have of America is a really  
good picture."

When asked how people reacted when he told them  
he was coming here, Ralf replied they were mainly  
positive. Yumiko said, "Most friends said, 'You're  
lucky.' Older people, like my parents, were worried."  
She said one of the things she misses the most is  
"family and friends. I write letters a lot."

Tatsumi also said that he missed the people back  
home and not being able to see his friends. Laure, on  
the other hand, is finding it hard to live without  
French cuisine. "Especially the bread. Your bread to  
me is like cake."

Senior year, a time when teenagers waver between  
childhood and adulthood, means something more to  
Ralf, Yumiko, Laure, and Tatsumi. In years to come,  
it will represent a time when they learned of a  
different people and a different culture. And, if they  
are fortunate, it will also represent a time when they  
learned something about themselves.

# oadens view of life

scream if you hear one word of the  
language.

After about four to five months,  
something "clicks" in your mind,  
almost overnight, and you start to  
understand more and more of what you  
hear. You even begin to talk and  
communicate feelings, like a human  
again.

From six months on, the hard part is  
over. You have new friends and take  
part in your new "family". Sure, there  
may be some occasional disagreements,  
but what family doesn't disagree? It's  
the greatest feeling in the world to be  
able to joke and make people laugh  
again—this time in a different  
language. You've survived the half way  
point of your year's stay and the count  
down has started until the day you get  
sent back home.

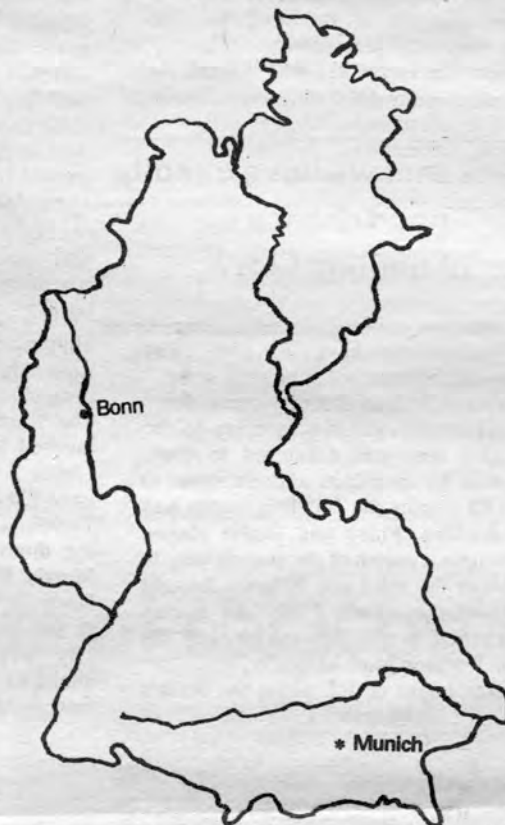
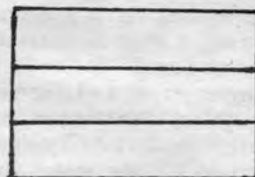
The last two months are the most  
thrilling, yet scary, ones. As your  
departure date comes closer and closer,  
you wonder whether you're "going  
home" or "leaving home." You're no  
longer a part of what's going on at home  
in America. You fit in and feel at

"home" with your friends and family  
right where you are. Only then do you  
actually understand the rumors of how  
other students did not want to go  
"home".

The hardest part of all is to answer  
the inevitable question: "Are you glad  
to be back home?" My year in France  
was one of the best years of my life.  
Had it been my choice, I probably would  
have stayed over there at least for a  
while longer. But there's nothing like  
the feeling of being welcomed back at  
the airport by a sea of familiar faces, all  
staring to see how much I'd changed.

Being a foreign exchange student and  
having to deal with a whole new culture  
in a totally different language isn't  
easy. But once you realize that it's you  
that must change to adapt to the new  
culture (and not them to you,) without  
being too harsh or too critical, things  
become a lot easier. As a result, one  
gains responsibility, understanding, and  
experience; all of which have broadened  
my aspects and have given me a  
different view on life, making every  
effort I made worth it.

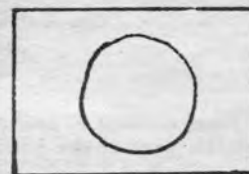
## West Germany



**Ralf Severloh**

"If I graduate at an American high  
school, I have a better chance of  
getting into a good university in  
Germany."

## Japan



**Yumiko Higashi**

"At my school in Japan, all students  
must wear uniforms, and no make up  
is allowed."



All photos by Michele Ault.



# Tennis underdogs win Sectionals!

By P.H. Mullen

On August 12, the beginning of fall sports practice, everyone looked at Adams big guns on the football field and not on tennis courts. And why not, for this is the first year that John Adams tennis has not had the big guns like Paul Koscielski, Kurt Roemer, John Rohan, and Chris Foley.

This year Adams is lead by senior co-captains Tim Devetski and Chris (Big Ed) Butler. In addition to these seniors are sophomore Karl Roemer, juniors Guy Hamilton, Tim Foley, and Adam Friend, and freshmen Joe Dennen and Coley Cook. They have seen varsity action along with senior Martin Rohan.

Entering the season without many of his veterans, Kilgore still viewed the season with optimism. He described his attitude as, "Optimistic, because I'm not quite sure what my team can do."

After four easy victories over Rochester, La Salle, Valporasio and Mishawaka, the Eagles had reached the first real test of the season, against the St. Joe Indians. Captain Chris Butler predicted "Our doubles teams would have to pull through for us to have any kind of shot at beating the power-laden Indians." The inexperienced doubles teams of Friend-Rohan and Butler-Foley were both beaten and the Eagles fell to a 4-1 defeat. Although this loss was disheartening, Kilgore was "optimistic and anxious," because this match proved Adams had their work cut out for them. Kilgore also knew that a

match like this could only help his doubles teams that lacked in experience.

The Eagles rebounded off this defeat with a 5-0 trouncing of Riley and Marion and a 3-2 defeat of Penn.

Number one singles player Karl Roemer was the hero against Penn when he handed Scott Smith his first dual match loss in four years to win the match for Adams.

Clay became the next obstacle in Adams' pursuit of retaining the NIC crown they won last year.

Captain Tim Devetski said, "I think that we have a really good chance of beating

**"I think that we have a really good chance of beating Clay."**

Clay because we have no give away points—all the matches should be close."

Unfortunately Karl Roemer came down with an unusual case of poison ivy so the #1 singles spot was defaulted to Clay. With wins by Hamilton and Devetski at #2 and #3 singles the deciding match was at #1 doubles. Foley and Butler played their toughest match of the season only to lose 6-4 in the third set. Kilgore thought going into the match, "We had a very good chance to win this match, but the loss of Roemer hurt us badly."

With the hopes of defending the team's conference crown gone, the remainder of

the matches became tune ups for the sectionals. With an easy 4-1 victory of Michigan City Elston and a 5-0 win over Elkhart Memorial, the Eagles also pulled out two 3-2 matches against Elkhart Central and La Porte. These wins were greatly helped by #1 doubles team of Foley and Butler who had two impressive victories in both matches.

Heading in to sectionals with a 12-3 regular season record, and Tim Devetski with a perfect 15-0 dual match record.

Kilgore said, "Sectionals is up for grabs and if our players go into the matches mentally alert, we should do well."

The sectional draw was also favorable to Adams because St. Joe and Clay had to play first round. Karl Roemer summarized Adams' chances best when he said, "If everyone keeps his head, and plays like he can, then we can do anything."

When sectionals came the Eagles flew. Slipping out of the top twenty for the first time this season, the Eagles were predicted to finish no better than third. The ninth ranked Clay Colonials were favored to win.

After Adams rolled over Riley 5-0 and gave Clay their only loss of the season. The outstanding performances were from the doubles team of Adam Friend and Martin Rohan, Tim Devetski, and Karl Roemer. Each one of them played some of the best tennis of his life.

By winning sectionals, the team qualified for regionals which were held last night.



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Senior Tim Devetski prepares to return a shot during a recent match. Devetski, a tri-captain, led the tennis team to the Sectional Championship with an 18-0 record.



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Tri-captain Jay Yazel attempts to pull away from a Penn runner during a meet at Erskine. Yazel is pacing the team this year as the harriers gear up for sectional.

## Harriers look ahead

By Brendan Max

The boy's cross-country team has gotten off to a slow start this year. Under new head coach Randy Isaccson the team has run to a near .500 record in its meets so far. The Eagles have suffered several injuries to key players early on and the group is just now getting it the form they need to win.

The Eagles are led this year by four year letterman and team tri-captain Jason Yazel who is returning to his tough peak form. After Yazel comes two tough running juniors in the likes of Tommy Taylor and previously injured Jason Ehlert. Pulling up the pack is a contingency of runners all eager to push the eagles forward. This pack is made up of seniors Brendan "The Mix" Max, Jim (baby) Williamsen, and Neil Lannuier. Included in the pack are sophomores Steve Wilson and Lance Harris and also junior Adam Bauer.

As the season gets older the Adams harriers are gaining strength in their typical sectional peaking form.

On the season Jason Yazel commented, "We've certainly had our bad breaks this year but I think it is going to come together at the right time."

As the Eagles approach sectionals after last night's city meet the outlook is good and the spirits are high.

Tri-captain Neil Lannuier summed it all up. "We've made it through all the injuries and done all the work; now the days of practice and meets of frustration should start paying off."

How about that girls cross-country team? With a 5-6 record the team is looking optimistically toward the sectionals.

Why is a 5-6 record so impressive? Because last year the girls team did not win a single race. This change has come about mainly for two reasons; good leadership and a banner recruiting year.

The leadership comes coach Randy Isaccson and senior captain Dawn Sivak. Randy, in his second year of coaching, has seen the program expand and has gotten great underclassmen participation. The captain, Dawn Sivak, is the only senior on the squad this year. When Dawn was asked about the teams chances this year she said, "The program is definitely on the right track and we should surprise a lot of people at sectionals."

The team is led this year by top runner Diane Lamborn, Gina Kelley, Dawn Sivak, Amy Gaglio, Casie Bolden, Teresa Orlando, and Tammy Stroth.

The girls sectionals will be held on the twenty-fifth of October.

## Athletic Shorts

### Kick of a lifetime

In a B-team football game with Central on September 23rd, junior Mike Trott kicked a 96 yard punt from the line of scrimmage. In effect, it was the longest punt in the state ever. But it's not considered a record since the records are only kept for varsity games. Indiana's state record for the longest punt in a varsity game is 88 yards. Adams defeated Central 18-7.

### Top performances of the week

Tim Devetski, a senior tri-captain of the team, has not lost a match all year. His 18-0 record has carried the team to 12-3 regular season and the Sectional title.

Senior Ron Chrobot turned in a brilliant performance during last week's 30-12 victory over Elston. As a tight end, he caught 7 passes for 87 yards, including a 41 yard bomb. Ranked #4 after the victory, team is now 5-1.

Back row specialist Marissa Randazzo is leading the volleyball team to another great year. A co-captain, she has been a steady player all season. In last week's match against LaSalle, she had one of the best games of her season and led the team to an N.I.C. victory.

### Girls swimming just under way

The girls' swim team has just started. They are led by sophomore Michelle Thompson, freshmen Tricia Davis, seniors Ruth Hanlon, Wendy Wolfe, and Jennifer Ready. Under new coach Mary Cooper, the Seagals won their first meet 101-71 over Culver. They then lost to Elston and last year's state runnerup, Elkhart Central. Against cross-town rival Riley, Adams barely lost a hard fought meet. Strong performances were turned in by Rivka Medow, Thompson, Wendy Wolfe, and Ann Kusbach.

### Volleyball gearing for Sectionals

Lead by captains Tammy Brittain and Marissa Randazzo, the varsity volleyball is having an impressive season. Tomorrow they travel to Fort Wayne for an invitational. Strong performances from Kathy McMahon, Randazzo, Rita Deranek, and Meg Sweeney have paced the team so far.



## Readers Write

# Piracy is not the only alternative

By Donald Marti

Software piracy, the illegal duplication of copyrighted computer programs, is a practice allegedly used by high school teachers to provide copies of so-called "educational" programs for their classes. Teachers have been accused of using piracy to obtain programs because of the immense prices that software companies charge for their products. In the September 27 issue of the Tower, an anonymous student criticized computer piracy by teachers. The only solution that he advocated for this "question of morality" was that teachers be allotted more money for the purchase of programs. According to his calculations, enough copies of a computer program for one class would cost over \$700 if purchased. He suggested that school administrators provide teachers with

enough money to obtain software legally. Buying software from capitalists is not, however, a reasonable way to acquire programs for student use.

Software companies are not the only computer program source for high school teachers. Although the anonymous writer assumed that all programs that teachers use must either be bought at an exorbitant price from a software company or copied illegally, thousands of computer programs suitable for schools are available from other sources. Local computer clubs, many computer bulletin boards, and national user groups maintain collections of public domain programs. Anyone may make all the copies he wants of this software without violating any copyright law. Computer programs may also be custom written in the school for each teacher's applications. Last year, student programmers wrote

several unique programs for the Adams science department. Most computer programs now used in honors chemistry were written by students. Other departments in need of software could also request students to help with programming. Teachers do not have to depend on software companies for all of the programs that they use.

The unknown author states that teachers should buy commercial programs. To make this possible, he suggests that school administrators supply teachers with vast amounts of money for software. He does not, however, give any suggestions on a possible source for these funds. If the school corporation decided to spend money on commercial programs, some money that could have been spent on other items in the school budget would be diverted to software companies. Reduced amounts of money would be

available for building upkeep, laboratory equipment, furniture, and teacher salaries. In a school system where teachers are, even now, grossly underpaid, additional expense for the legal acquisition of commercial software that could be acquired easily by other means is totally unjustified.

Some students and teachers consider the copying of copyrighted programs immoral, but spending the school system's money on overpriced commercial programs is wasteful. Although it might often be necessary to make unauthorized copies of programs, piracy does not have to be the only source of programs for schools. Teachers could get much of their software from student programmers and from exchanges of public domain programs. The school corporation cannot afford to waste its money buying what it could get for free.

## Eagle Epithets

### What are the effects of rock on teenagers?



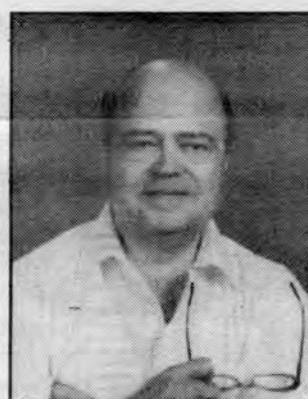
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"It really depends on what you listen to."

"It becomes a bad thing when people act and dress like their idols."

"It causes cancer in laboratory mice."

"It certainly isn't as uplifting as Bach."

"It's no big deal; people just blow it way out of proportion."

### Rock's effects : positive or negative?

By Jeremy Manier

Few people would debate the fact that rock music is here to stay. After 25 years this most flexible of styles has grown and branched so effectively that it is now rather difficult for anyone in the world today with ears and hearing to avoid it for long. What has got many people concerned, however, is exactly what it is that is being pumped so continually through the skies and satellites today, in other words, is this music just an energetic and real expression of modern ideas,

trends, and problems, or is it really just a lot of drugged, sex-crazed maniacs who would like nothing better than to see today's youth become as thoroughly wasted as they are?

The answer, of course, is neither. These two views are the extremes in what rock music actually is; extremes we will name, for convenience, the Light Side and the Dark Side.

Commonly referred to as new wave or avant garde, Depeche Mode and the Talking Heads. Groups such as these often choose as subject matter prob-

lems of the day, or, in the case of the Talking Heads, make fun of people's actions or rock music itself. It is groups like these that have refined rock to an art form and deserve to be set aside from the rest of the pack.

Then there is the Dark Side. Known to it's followers as Heavy Metal, the Dark Side consists of groups such as Ratt and Motley Crue. Subject matter for these groups is concerned primarily with head-banging, the domination of women, and, in general, telling the rest of the world to place decency and morality in some anatomically inconvenient

location.

Sadly yet fortunately, neither of these brands of rocks constitutes a truly sizable portion of fans. The most popular acts today are a mix of both sides with an abundance of unique traits thrown in. The songs of Madonna and Cyndi Lauper, for instance, seem to be about pretty much nothing in particular yet more or less everything at one time or another. Bruce Springsteen and Bob Dylan center on mostly simple, everyday themes. It is this great diversity in the music that is perhaps rock's strongest point. One need not be tied down to one

style or point of view; there are hundreds that one can try out at any time.

No one will ever accuse rock n' roll of moral attitude above and beyond call, just as no one can ever classify the whole rock as heinous. Bands will always lean to the Light or Dark sides of rock, and their uniqueness will be their beauty. It is for this reason that rock's effects on young people

cannot be called good or bad; the effects are simply there, as much a part of each person as his or her personality, and just as different from one to another.

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## T.V. review

## Miami Vice provides hot entertainment

By Erin Laughlin

Miami Vice. It's a roller coaster of action beautifully choreographed amongst the pink flamingos and cocaine dealers. It's an hour long piece of film set to some of the hottest music of today. And if that weren't enough, it's also high class fashion that never seems to get soiled or torn.

In a word, Miami Vice is hip. It's hot and cool and on the verge of becoming a monumental success. The show itself has the power to twist and turn and leave you completely breathless once it's over. It's like nothing else; it's Miami Vice.

This eliteness of NBC's Miami Vice adds to its quality. It's not just another cop show equipped

with "run-of-the-mill" brawls and "smash 'em up" car chases. It's class. Highstyle and sleek by design. Comparing it to CBS's Magnum P.I. or ABC's new Hollywood Beat gives those networks too much credit. Vice's visual sense makes the difference. What car, which clothes, what colors, which locations, the angle of the camera are all down to a science. The most intimate details play a major role, and return we get a high quality program.

The two main characters of Miami Vice supply the concrete base to this perfectly structured monument. Don Johnson portrays Detective Sonny Crockett. His perfect Greek God-like features and raspy dialect give off an aura

of macho cool. It's this image that captivates a crowd and demands their undivided attention. Johnson's co-star Philip Michael Thomas play detective Ricardo Tubbs. Equipped with a Jamaican /Bronx drawl, tawny skin, and piercing green eyes, Thomas provides the high energy to the show. Because of Sonny Crockett's God-like image and ability to steal every scene, it is Tubbs who must fight to be acknowledged. But that's fine. It's this contrast between Sonny's bravado and Tubbs' buoyancy that creates a unique and refreshing chemistry that works.

The music of Miami Vice is another key element. It's not just used for the opening or closing credits. It pops up throughout.

More than often sequences in the show are shot without dialogue and music is used instead. This gives the show an appearance of a polished MTV video. Even when there is dialogue the music is still important. It sets the mood and creates the scene.

Popular entertainers such as Phil Collins and Gley Frey have made their mark on Miami Vice, and along with Tina Turner and other various artists will be heard from again this season. Possible guest appearances are in the works as well.

If all this wasn't enough, every Friday night Miami Vice's Don Johnson and Philip Michael Thomas break the rules in fashion as well as crime fighting. Wearing double breasted suits

over open shirts, pleated pants without belts, and Italian jackets over T-shirts, they project a new and fresh, relaxed elegance. And like Miami Vice itself, their clothes feature ice cream colors, casual grace, and of course, cool, good looks.

Miami Vice is a winner. Heading into its second season, it expects to deliver the same high intensity and high action quality which it possessed last season. With all their good looks, talent, creativity, and rave reviews, I have no doubts that it will.

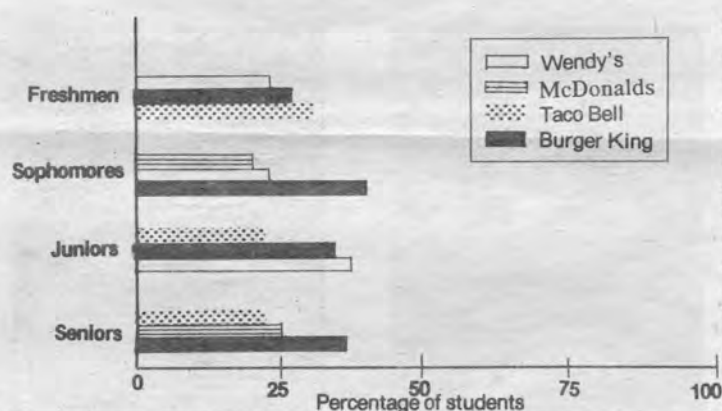
## Fast-food restaurants battle it out

The Bic Mac versus the Whopper; a rivalry that I won't lose sleep over but highly confrontational between fast-food freaks.

Have you ever wondered why they bolt down the tables and chairs in fast food restaurants? Is it because some clown will walk off with the furniture while all six employees have their backs turned at one time? Or is it because they don't want you to be talking to all of your friends at the same time when they're sitting ten feet away in the next table unit? These are some highly significant questions which have made my life a puzzle. When I asked my priest why the tables at fast-food restaurants are bolted down he said, "So unnecessary sins won't be committed."

When I asked my family doctor he replied, "So none of your kids get hurt." This all sounds remotely sensible. Then I asked one Adams student. He said, "Well it seems quite obvious to me that the chairs are bolted down for security. Would you

What is your favorite fast-food restaurant?



sport all your chairs to people from a zoo?"

Another student gave this reason: "So radicals, after supporting one of their extra-curricular sporting events, won't cast chairs at one another." Last year gave new inspiration to bolting down chairs and tables. This was because after a football game last year, a few people had a football game of their own at

McDonald's, a game which included long bombs with french fries, Cokes, apple pies, and Big Macs.

Fast-food restaurants are pretty much the same, however there is only one playland. I'm not endorsed by, and have never been an employee of, McDonald's, but they do have the infamous playland.

Hardees, "Where good people

go for good food." Now isn't that stereotypical? If you're not a good person then Hardees isn't for you, even if you do like good food. I've always thought of myself as being a good enough person to eat at Hardees, but after seeing that commercial on T.V. I'm not sure I measure up.

Fast food restaurants have always battled it out on T.V. commercials. Some are always saying they're better than the others because of some pseudo-survey they took. Or maybe they did take the survey and all the owners said "Yes," they did like their food the best.

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