

## 1954-55 Student Council Officers



Pictured above, left to right, are this year's Student Council officers: Kathy DeLeury, treasurer; Richard Green, vice-president; Kent Keller, president; Janet Golba, secretary.

The officers of the 1954 Student Council are: Kent Keller, president; Richard Green, vice-president; Kathy DeLeury, treasurer; and Janet Golba, secretary. Members of the board are Janice Rugee, James Dincolo, Mary Ann Anderson, Tom Troeger, Naomi Ross, John Waechter, Robert Nelson, and Nancy MacIvor.

By precedent, the Student Council meets every Thursday morning at 8:00 until 8:35. Mr. Thompson is their sponsor. They now have two representatives, each with one vote.

The Student Council is divided into committees with board members as chairmen. The home room representatives are: 101, Paula Bryant and Joseph Barnett; 102, Bonnie Hewett and George Hennion; 103, Richard Gibboney and David Freedburg; 105, Robert Chreist and Martha Brannan; 106, Marvin Naftzgar and Charmian Burke; 107, Donald Ball and Barbara Goddard; 108, Micah Ross and Mary Ellen Rosenthal; 109, Nancy Heid and Rosemary Griffith; 110, Karen Jones and Tom Horn; 111, Tony Lacopo and Jane Martin; 112, Mary Ann Anderson and William Dean; 113, Gwen Garwood and Fal Harris; 114, Sandy Brecht and Robert Dymak; 201, Jack Venderly and Eugene Personett; 203, Linda Bussert and Wayne Benner; 204, James Messick and Kathleen McHugh; 205, Connie Kuhn and Jim Kubiak; 206, Larry Myers and Richard McGlinchey; 207, Jerry Rose and Phyllis Plotkin; 208, Barbara Waechter and Linn Wickizer; 209, Pat Woveris and Orville McChesney; 210, Peter Sherman and William Smith; 211, John Thompson and Sharon Wickizer; 212, Linda Rogers and Shirley Norton; 213, Richard Skodinski and Marsha Root; 214, Sandy Weldy and Scott King; 215, Jeanne Weiss and Ronald Wallace; 22, William McNab and Jeannine Mundell; Library, Rita Stull and Tom Troeger.

## ADAMS BOOSTER CLUB HOLDS FIRST MEETING

The Adams Booster Club held their re-organization meeting at 3:20 p. m. Friday, October 8 in room 106. The officers are as follows: Richard Gibboney, president; Pat Wilson, vice-president; Suzie Frehse, secretary; Tom Smith, treasurer. The executive board members include all varsity cheerleaders and one student from each grade as representative of his class. Mr. James Roop is the club sponsor.

## CIVITAN CLUB MEETS

The Civitan Club of South Bend at its regular October meeting, held in the Oliver Hotel, made plans for the city-wide Halloween dance on October 29. The dance will be held for all South Bend students to provide recreation during the Halloween season.

There will be three representatives from each school present at the meeting. The Adams Student Council has chosen James Dincolo, Chairman Burke, Janet Golba, and Mary Ellen Rosenthal to attend.

## MAC IVOR PREPARES PAPER FOR JUNIOR ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

Nancy MacIvor, a senior from home room 22, has prepared a paper on "The Artificial Parthenogenesis" which she will present at the Indiana Junior Academy of Science meeting on October 16 at Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana. She has worked on her paper, which tells of the development of bull frog eggs without being fertilized, since last spring.

The Junior Academy of Science is sponsored at Adams by the Junior Walton Club. Each autumn young scientists meet at one of the Indiana colleges to hear lectures, present findings, and see the exhibits. For the first time in the history of the organization, Adams students have been chosen as officers. James Dincolo is president and Janet Golba is vice-president. They will have charge of the business meeting which will be held at 11 a. m. Saturday, October 16. Last year Jim gave a report on the lion that the Waltons skinned, and that earned for him the office of president.

Forty-one Walton members will make the trip to Purdue by bus, leaving at 5:45 a. m. Mr. Ernest Litweiler, sponsor of the club, will accompany them. Other students from Central and Mishawaka make the trip each year with their respective school sponsors.

## North Central Chorus To Give Program

The North Central Chorus will present its program, Thursday, October 21, at 8 p. m. This group is made up of seven hundred of the students from all the glee clubs from the northern part of Indiana. Each singing group is given a quota based on the number in their glee club. Fifty members of the John Adams glee club will participate in the program.

Henry Velde, director of the Augustana Choir of Rock Island, Illinois, will be this year's guest conductor.

Miss Barbara Kantzer will be the general chairman of the chorus.

Eight numbers will be sung in the program. A few of them are "Cradle Song" by John Brahmes, "Gloria in Excelsis" by W. A. Mojar, "Join to Boston" by Katherine K. Daves and "Spirit of God" by Powell Weaver.

This program will be open to the public.

## Teen-agers Present Views on Curfew

A special meeting of the South Bend City Council was held on Monday, October 4, for the purpose of hearing the teen-agers' opinions on the proposed curfew law. Representatives of the following organizations gave their respective group's view: Student Councils of Adams, Riley, Central, Washington, St. Joseph & St. Mary's Academy; B'nai B'rith Girls; Junior Roundtable of the National Conference of Christians & Jews; Hi-Y; Y-Teens; Catholic Young Adults; Junior Achievement; Order of DeMolay; Rainbow Girls; Junior Daughters of Isabella; Temple Beth-El Youth Group; Hering House; and the United Christian Youth Council of St. Joseph County.

Adams was well represented, both in the crowded gallery and among the speakers. Our Student Council sent Phyllis Plotkin, Gene Personnet, and Kent Keller. Don Smith spoke for Junior Achievement, and Jim Dincolo and Naomi Ross were present in behalf of the Junior Roundtable. The United Christian Youth Council was represented by Bill Waechter, and the Temple Beth-El Youth Group by Naomi Shulman.

A majority of the young people spoke against the proposed ordinance, stating that "it was not the answer," "it would increase the juvenile delinquency rate, not decrease it," "the parents not the police, should raise their children," and that "the innocent 90% of the teen-agers would have to suffer because of the guilty 10%."

Substitute suggestions were made as follows: more organized youth activities, enforcement of present laws (especially those concerned with teen-age drinking), greater parental responsibility, and a Student Court.

The Council is going to make a further study of the problem.

## Seniors to Hold Election

During guidance period on October 5, the senior class met in the Little Theater and voted to hold a mock political election for class officers.

Any senior who wishes to run for office must file his petition, signed by 25 of his classmates, with Mrs. McClure class sponsor, between 8 a. m. Monday, October 11 and 4 p. m. Friday, October 15.

A convention for the seniors will be held Monday evening, October 18. The balloting will be done on a voting machine October 20.



## LETTER FROM A FAN

Dear Student Body:

I saw something Friday night at School Field that I have never seen before. An Adams football team and a student body that evidently hadn't looked at the score board, even when there was only one minute to play, because the spirit and enthusiasm on the field and in the stands was not that of a losing team. It made me think of that old adage, "It matters not if you win or lose, it's how you played the game."

My purpose in writing to you is the disappointment I felt when I heard a parent remark as we were leaving the stadium, "Wouldn't it be swell if Adams would have this big a crowd next week, even though they lost this one," and the other party remarked, "Don't worry, they won't."

Now I think you students can do something about that! Carry that same enthusiasm and spirit, that you displayed at the game, home with you and see that those parents who were there last week are there for the rest of the season, not just to back a football team, but a team and a student body that is proud of their team, their coaches and their school and are finally showing it. Win or lose.

Very truly yours,  
A Fan.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This letter was received by the Tower Tuesday, October 6.)

## MAY I SALUTE?

It has so often come to my attention that the editorial columns in high school newspapers are used solely for the purpose of preaching about or encouraging the actions of the readers. Webster defines the word editorial as follows: an article, as in a newspaper, presenting the opinion or comment of the periodical. Therefore an editorial need not only preach or encourage, but it may praise.

It is my opinion, as an editor of this paper, that John Adams is one of the finest schools that I have ever seen. A high school is as strong as its strongest members and as weak as its weakest members, because the determining factor of its greatness lies in its students and their accomplishments.

The Adams Student Council acts as a mediator between the faculty and the students and is the planning committee behind many school activities. We chose our council officers by vote and we were the first of the South Bend schools to establish a board. The representatives, board, and officers together have set up and will carry out a fine program for the ensuing school year.

Our athletic teams have made a fine showing so far this year, and I am sure will continue to do so. Not only has the outcome of the athletic event become important to the Adams student, but the sportsmanship shown at the games plays a leading part to his way of thinking.

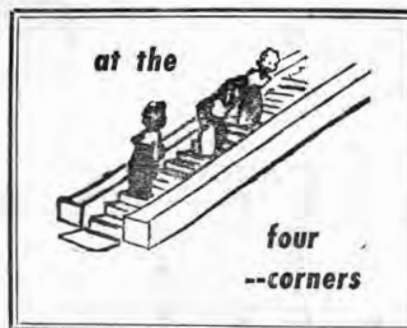
The clubs and extra-curricular activities at Adams are an example of the interest our students have in their school. The clubs are many and varied, established by the students, for the students with the utmost of care.

Adams has much to boast of when the word hospitality is mentioned. We've stretched out the hand of friendship to visiting students, speakers, foreign exchange students, new teachers, and incoming freshmen many times. In return we've been heartily welcomed wherever we've gone—to out-of-town games, on educational trips, to other schools, even as far away as Europe (as in the case of our three travelers).

I feel that our Honor Roll shows the strength of this school by the superior individual scholastic standing of its members; although followers as well as leaders are necessary for the educational goal of a school to be reached.

I salute John Adams High School for its past, for its present, and for its future. The greatness of a school depends on its students, and Adams students have made it one of the greatest. — Janice Rugee.

**Et Cetera:** We'd like to congratulate Patty Skinner for the fine job she's doing marching with our band at football games. Patty is eleven years old and is in the 6A at Madison school. She previously marched with a high school band in Montpelier, Ohio and with the D. A. V. of South Bend. . . . Thanks to Naomi Ross, Kent Keller, and Bill Waechter for the assembly.



How 'bout that? **Barb Hatton, Mar-di Kline, and Nancy Champaigne** are now wearing colors to match the walls in Mr. Crow's study hall.

The most recent date line consists of: **Andy Cobb** and **Steve Strang** (again!); **Linda Malmberg** and **Jon Osthimer** (Central); **Sharon Simon** and **Larry Smith**; **Georgenia Perry** and **Hal McCarthy** (Navy); **Judy McClure** and **Don Seach**; **Sandy Horvath** and **Norm Hoover** (Mish.); **Alice Hennion** and **Kenny Robertson** (N.D.); and **Kay "Bones" Cantwell** and **Don Bankowski** (Central Alumnus).

A freshman miss by the name of **Jackie McKinney** has a strong preference for the number 95, 'specially on the football team!

What was **Barbara Dooks** doing while hanging out the window at **Nancy Seider's** slumber party?

Notice, **Whitcomb & Keller!** We like our school and wish to state it is not for sale nor do we wish to have it burned down, **Mr. Reber**.

Additions to the ever-changing list of steady duos are: **Beverly Rupert** and **Art Wiggins** (St. Joe); **JoAnne Reese** and **Wayne Boyer** (18 months); **Sharon Patty** and **Joe Vanderhayden**; and **Keith Malcom** and **Sharon Gyorgi**.

Out of the steady class already: **Lynne Steele** and **Mike Toole**; and **Judy Heron** and **Bob Walker**.

Seems a certain red-headed senior boy has been having a little trouble getting into the right classes. Could the trouble's initials be S.P.?

Seen at the "Romancers" two weeks ago Thursday night: **Tom "Heinie" Henson** and **Sue Blackburn** (Riley); and **Sue Wood** and **Dick Green**.

Hey, **Ned Dugdale**, wha' happen? **Dave Mikesell** has his eyes wide open saying, "Who is there to date?" Our answer, "Davey, who has a date?"

One of our alumni, **Jack Halpin**, freshman at Carleton College, has made sufficiently high scores on college Entrance Examination Board tests to earn exemption from Carleton's requirements in freshman Eng-

## Home Rooms Elect Tower Representatives

At the beginning of every fall semester at Adams the home rooms elect Tower representatives to serve for the year. These representatives solicit subscriptions and every Friday morning they distribute issues of the Tower to the subscribers in their home rooms.

This year's representatives are: **Andy Cobb**, 101; **Pat Hilderbrand**, 102; **Nancy Goldenberg**, 103; **Phyllis Barton**, 105; **Allen Berta**, 106; **Marilyn Cole**, 107; **Deanna Palm**, 108; **Julie Ebeling**, 109; **Jim Hylman**, 110; **Larry Lieberenz**, 111; **Judy Cobb**, 112; **Pat Fenimore**, 113; **Judy Jacobson**, 114; **Carole Wilhite**, 201; **Gloria Chambers**, 203; **Lorraine Kosch**, 204; **Nancie Hultin**, 205; **Gail Myers**, 206; **Carol Ritter**, 207; **Lynne Waterson**, 208; **Marilyn McHugh**, 209; **Judie Sheets**, 210; **Rebecca Wetter**, 211; **Carole Taylor**, 212; **Karen Runyan**, 213; **Sandy Sellers**, 214; **Jean Weidler**, 215; **Diane Myers**, 22; **Joe Vanderhayden**, Library.

## Senior Cabinet Organizes For 1954-55 School Year

The Senior Cabinet, under the direction of Mrs. Hazel McClure, class sponsor, has begun plans for the year. The first activity they will be responsible for is the election of class officers. The election, which will include a night convention, is expected to be completed by the third week in October and is to be supervised by Mr. Goldsberry.

The cabinet is made up of representatives from each home room. They are as follows: 103, **Susie Frehse**, **Dick Gibbone**; 107, **Sue Hawk**, **Jim Kanouse**; 112, **Pat Bourdon**, **Bill Dean**; Library, **Sandy Wright**, **Larry Weaver**; 209, **LaMar Stitzer**, **Tom Smith**; 22, **Dave Mikesell**; and 108, **Naomi Ross**. The group elected **Bob Nelson** as chairman and **Mary Kline** as secretary.

lish and Biological sciences. Jack, therefore, has been given the opportunity to enroll directly in the advanced English and biology courses. Congratulations, Jack! Keep up the good work.

We report a new club in the offing—"The Widow's Club." Members thus far are **Judy Cobb**, **Mary Ann Anderson**, **Margaret Sue Reed**, and **Janice Rugee!**

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What is your opinion of "crew cuts?"

**Dianne Smith** — "They are the mostest."

**Sue Wood** — "I like them on some people."

**Marcia Hoelscher** — "They are better than shaved heads."

**Danny Hoyt** — "They cost a quarter extra."

**Martha Dugdale** — "Good on some people, but not like my brothers."

**Jim Eveld** — "It's a fine haircut."

**John Waechter** — "I must like them because I always get one."

**Jim Sostack** — "I like them!"

**Ned Dugdale** — "I think I have a fine specimen."

**Beverly Thompkins** — "They are neat."

**Mrs. Laiber** — "As long as they aren't too short I like them."

**Larry VanDusen** — "I think they're good."

**Andy Cobb** — "They're dukey!"

## EAGLE of the WEEK

This week the TOWER is happy to introduce **Margaret Sue Reed** as the Eagle of the Week. Margaret Sue's extra-curricular school activities include Editor-in-Chief of the Album, treasurer of the Glee Club, and a member of the Drama Club. She is also active in her church being vice-president of the Logansport Youth Presbytery, vice-president of the St. Joseph Youth Council of Churches, belonging to Westminster Fellowship and the high school choir.

In her spare time, she likes writing letters, reading, cooking, and listening to good music. Among the popular songs, her favorites are "Sh-Boom" and "Goodnight Sweetheart, Goodnight." In school the subjects she likes best are foreign language and chemistry.

As far as college goes, she is definitely planning to go south and is hoping to go to DePauw. When ask-

### D. A. R. Award Winners

Among the new 9B students at John Adams, are the D. A. R. Citizenship Award winners from Nuner, Lincoln, and Jefferson schools. They are Gayle Heyn and Robert Fischer from Nuner, Jerry Rose and Patricia Murphy from Jefferson, and Peggy Boxwell and Jim Terhune from Lincoln.

ed her favorite foods, she chose lobster and apple pie, although not eaten together. Maggie, which is her nickname, likes to see a boy dressed in gray flannels and an aqua sweater.

When asked her opinion of John Adams, Margaret Sue said, "After four years at John Adams, I no longer think of it as being just a building. It has become a place where I have found friends, knowledge, enlightenment, and new experiences which will be of value after graduation."

### Newspaper Boys Honored By South Bend Tribune

The Sunday, October 3, edition of the South Bend Tribune gave recognition to outstanding newspaper boys in the city. Three of those honored are students at John Adams. They are Raymond W. Woodward, Michael Taylor, and Michael Straka.

Raymond is a sophomore and has been delivering papers for 3 years. Michael Taylor, who is a junior, has been a newsboy for 2 years, and Michael Straka is a senior and has been working for the Tribune for 5 years.

The boys were given an award and a certificate by the circulation manager of the Tribune.

A fishing pole, say some wives, is a stick with a worm at each end of it.

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# Eagles Scalp Portage Twp. Indians, 56-19

The first meeting of the John Adams Eagles and the Portage Twp. Indians ended in disaster for the Indians. The Eagles showed a tremendous offense to a meager 2,000 fans as they rolled over Portage, 56 to 19. This victory set the Murphy-men back in the win column after losing to Riley the week before. The non-conference tilt was played at School Field.

The game opened with Ron Puett of Portage scoring the first touchdown of the game with three minutes not yet gone. Seven plays later VanDusen scored the first of his four touchdowns on a 6-yard plunge. Vandy then added the extra point to knot the score 7 to 7 as the first quarter ended.

A 38-yard pass from Robbins to VanDusen at the start of the second period put the Eagles ahead to stay. After the kickoff Portage was held nicely by the Adams defensive line and was forced to punt. On the first play from scrimmage, VanDusen slanted off tackle for 39 yards and his third touchdown. Swab then tried to put the Indians back in the game with a 38-yard run which netted them 6 points. Wygant returned the kickoff to the 40-yard line and three plays later Robbins threw his second touchdown pass to Troeger. The play covered 49 yards and put the Eagles ahead 25 to 13 at the half.

The second half was just as hectic as the first and with just 2:30 gone in the third, Wygant scored on a 44-yard reverse. After the kickoff, Portage was forced to punt and two plays later VanDusen wound up his

## Netmen Beat Riley

Defeating Riley 3 to 2, the tennis teams remained in second place in the city standings. This victory gave them a record of 3 wins and 4 losses with one match left at Elkhart. (This match was played Tuesday but the results came too late to meet the TOWER deadline.)

Dave Freedburg won Adams' only singles match while Chuck Christman and Bob Fischer, who was playing his first varsity match, lost their singles. This gave Riley a 2 to 1 lead but the teams of Freedburg-Pettit and Christman-Green came back to win both doubles matches and the match.

scoring on a 43-yard jaunt over the goal.

The beginning of the fourth period saw a host of subs come off the Adams bench. Swab then scored his second TD going over from the 1 foot line. Adams dominated the rest of the last period scoring three touchdowns. Billy Baird scampered 71 yards for one marker and Berry Grady intercepted a pass and carried the ball to the 3-yard line from which he scored on the next play.

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## Harriers Lose Two Meets

Taking the first two places, the New Carlisle cross country team was able to defeat the Eagle aggregation 27-29. A triangular meet with Michigan City and Elkhart also proved disastrous to the harriers of Adams as they were beaten by Elkhart 23-33 and City 17-44. City also beat Elkhart 21-39. Both meets were run on the Pottawatomie course.

In the New Carlisle meet, Adams got four of the top six places but were still unable to win. The Eagles took third, fourth, fifth, sixth, and eleventh places while New Carlisle got a first, second, seventh, eighth, and ninth. Hoover and Finney took the top two places for New Carlisle. Adams top five were Smith, C. DeCraene, West, B. DeCraene, and Fritz, respectively.

Bechinski of Michigan City was the first man across the finish line in the triangular meet. Pete Smith was the Eagles first man in and took a sixth place in the meet.

## Adams vs. Central

Going into their fourth conference game tomorrow, Adams will be looking for their second win in 13 games against Central. The Eagles have posted the best record so far this year winning 4 and losing 1, while Central has won 2 and lost 3. The Bears have beaten Mishawaka and Fort Wayne Central Catholic but have lost to Gary Roosevelt, Fort Wayne North Side, and Washington.

If comparative scores may be taken, Adams 30 to 13 victory over Mishawaka gives the Eagles the edge as Central beat the Cavemen 14 to 13. However, when two city schools get together these scores do not mean much.

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