

# 'Papa Bear' Shirks Sleep For Fitness

By Kathy Neill

At 7 a.m., when most people are basking in the sweet semi-consciousness of sleep, Mr. David Williams, English teacher, is beginning his daily four-mile jaunt to school. Forty minutes later, he arrives at Conrad ready to assume his daily tasks as English teacher and Polar Bear Club sponsor.

"I come from a long line of distance runners," states the jogging buff, who cites age 13 as his year of induction. His running ability earned him a college scholarship to Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. In college he captured numerous titles, including the Mid-Atlantic 10,000-meter Cross Country Championship for three straight years.

Mr. Williams began his jogging excursions to school as a De La Warr faculty member to restore his vigor after a six-month period of inactivity following an operation.

Commenting on the hazards of the sport, he declares the worst aspect to be running down a dual highway at the crossovers, where motorists are unable to spot him. Chuckling boyishly, he adds, "I've seen many near accidents, but not involving me. Students get excited when they recognize me and lose control of their cars!"

Wolf whistles, incredulous stares, and remarks like, "Got a match, buddy?" are old hat to a veteran of over thirty years of running, but Mr. Williams notes a marked decrease in these occurrences, now that jogging is "in."

"I resent being categorized with the 'Johnny Come Lately' set," declares Mr. Williams emphatically. As to whether the jogging craze will peter out as just a passing fad, he reasons that the sport might remain popular with the minority who are seriously concerned with their health.

"The number of joggers is grow-

ing, and the routine might become a permanent part of our culture, since the benefits—a good appetite, a conditioned torso, and vitality on one's job—are many." As proof, Mr. Williams jokingly attests, "If I miss jogging because of illness, I get positively irascible!"

Appetite-wise, the Polar Bear leader labels himself a "big eater" and boasts, "I'll eat anything that comes my way, as long as it's not still kicking!"

"Neither rain, nor sleet . . ." applies in Mr. Williams' case as he matter-of-factly reveals, "It's most enjoyable to run in the rain—if you can survive the waves that wash over you when big trucks ride by." Also, he explains that cold weather is much more suitable than warm weather, since the heat drains a jogger physically.

Running attire consists of a track suit on sultry days and a sweat suit paired with gloves and a hat for frigid spells. "I carry

things, too—anything from my paycheck to students' papers, which an English teacher is never without!"

To the potential jogger, Mr. Williams advises, "Anyone can take up jogging; be moderate at first with as much walking as running." Reminiscing, he recalls, "Until the fad took over in America, most people thought I was crazy. Once a state trooper stopped me as a likely escapee from the mental institution nearby!"

While serving overseas in Italy, he found himself running for his life when, out on his morning jog, a sentry fired at what he thought was a fleeing German prisoner! "Luckily he missed!"

Conradians, he acknowledges, have received his practice without much commotion excepting one curiosity-seized student who blantly voiced the question, "Doesn't your suit get wrinkled before you get to school?"



Mr. Williams sprints through the gate, waving a cheery, "Good Morning!" Photo by Kathy Neill.

## Student Council Hopefuls Given Campaign Petitions

Petitions and pencils will be busy today as prospective Student Council members begin to collect the required signatures of endorsement from fellow classmates.

Candidates have until March 3 to complete their lists of names. The climax will come on voting day, March 31.

The Council will give \$5 to each contestant running for an office to help meet campaign expenses.

Six Council representatives from Salesianum are visiting Conrad today, accompanied by a Conradian host during all classes. On Monday a squad of six girl Council delegates will make the exchange journey to Sallies.

"The relevance of high school Student Council in today's society" will be the discussion topic of tomorrow's County Council meeting at McKean. Kathy Doherty, Jim Burdett, and Chip Reed will attend, along with Reenie Riley and Janice Armento.

Teachers and Council members met on Wednesday at a tea given by Faye Nichol's liaison committee. Over tea and cookies, new topics for Council concern were broached, and faculty members were informed of the Council's activities.

A pep rally, an assembly featuring class competitions, and a dance after the basketball game are tentatively planned for School Spirit Week, March 3-7. Ricky Stubbs heads this group of organizers.

Conrad hosted the New Castle County Council gathering November 20. Local political leader and head of the "Discover Wonderful Delaware" program Sam Shipley was guest speaker. The group also split to pursue the issues "Student Council powers in the school" and "Revitalization of the State Student Council."

Bus transportation to and from "away" basketball has been sponsored by the council.

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## District Office to Move; Summer School Plans Set

The district office will leave Conrad next year as a result of consolidation. Other developments resulting from School Board action are the arrival of three new teachers, the Winter Recreation Program, and plans for summer school.

"Conrad simply doesn't have the room for the consolidated district office," commented Mr. John La-

cek, supervising principal.

"Plans are in the making for a move to Richardson Park. A committee is seeing how efficiently we can operate down there. This will be a temporary office," he added. "By temporary, I mean two or three years—the time it takes to build a permanent office area."

A superintendent and assistants, whose terms of office will begin July 1, 1969, will be selected soon by the interim school board, following authorization given by the legislature last week.

In accordance with the Educational Advancement Act, salaries in the consolidated district will be scaled equal to the highest pay scale among the former districts. "In effect," said Mr. Lacey, "some salaries will automatically go up, although no new pay scale is being devised."

Three new teachers have been hired this semester. Miss Jean Tordella, who will assist coaching some girls' sports teams, has taken over some of the girls' gym and health classes. Miss Tordella is a graduate of P. S. duPont High School, and a January graduate of the University of Delaware.

Mrs. Elizabeth Webber has replaced Mrs. Mary Starks, who resigned for health reasons, in the English department. Mrs. Webber holds a masters degree from the University of Delaware, and has previously taught at Conrad (1958-1960), Mount Pleasant, and the University of Delaware.

Conrad will share its new drivers' education teacher, Mr. William Legge, a December graduate of the University of West Virginia, with Corpus Christi; he will teach here Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Mr. Charles Lykens, who was contracted last spring to coach track, will be assisted by Mr. Hilton Cohen.

Enrichment is the keynote of summer school, with courses being offered in biology, taught by Mr. Jesse Malin; algebra, taught by Mr. Louis Ott; notehand, and the communications arts, which include rhetoric and speech.

The State Department of Public Instruction will also offer driver education courses, and the library will again be open.

The Winter Recreation Program, sponsored by the New Castle County Department of Parks and Recreation, has attracted 460 enrollees to Conrad Saturdays and Monday evenings. The program offers several ten-week courses which began January 18. The nine Saturday programs, held for children, include music and drama, weight lifting, and baton twirling. Monday evening courses include men's and ladies' physical fitness courses, typing, and sewing.

Faculty members participating under the guidance of Mr. Stanley Krzywicki are Mr. Harry Davies, Mrs. Marie Allen, Mr. James Pletcher, Miss Marie Christiansen, and Mr. Vincent Scott.

## 'Festival of States' Invites Band To St. Petersburg, Florida

Sun and surf will come early for Conrad band members, who will participate in the Festival of States in St. Petersburg, Florida, during spring vacation. The festival invites only one band from each state to attend this gala cele-

bration. The first activity of the band will be to appear in the "Champions on Parade" music-and-marching contest. Indoors in the huge Bayfront Center Arena, the group will perform a football half-time type

show, which last year drew a crowd of 9,000 onlookers.

While in St. Petersburg, the band is also required to give at least one public concert.

One of the most unusual features of the Festival of States is the unique competition for the "Heart of St. Petersburg Plaque." This award is given to the band creating the most goodwill and friendship between St. Petersburg and the group's home town.

In competition for the plaque, band members talk to St. Petersburg residents, showing them pamphlets and samples of products from the home state.

Some visiting bands are asked to perform at the spectacular Festival of States Coronation Pageant and Ball. Invitations to play at the ball are based on which bands can find the necessary costumes and have correct instrumentation to fit the theme.

Finally, April 11, the band ends a hectic week of activity by representing the governor and state in the fabulous "Parade of States."

This parade, one of Florida's longest, is carried on two area television stations and annually draws crowds from the entire nation.

Appearance in the two-mile parade determines the winner of the "Florida Governor's Cup," one of the most sought-after band awards in the United States.

The cup and plaque are presented at a dance given by the Festival Friday night after the parade. "This is the biggest thing we have ever done," states Mr. David Casto, director of the band.

The group plans to charter a plane for the trip to Florida. To meet expenses another candy sale will be held beginning February 17.



Guest director Mr. King confers with Mr. Casto on band techniques, during a day rehearsal of Festival tunes.

## Sophomore Scholars Lead First Honor List With 23

Sophomores surpassed the upperclassmen last marking period with 23 first-honor students. Seniors winning top honors numbered 19, while juniors trailed with 12.

Seniors dominated the second honor roll with 67 students. Sophomores led the juniors by 57-52 respectively.

Junior Dave Gibson captured top honors with a 5.0 average.

Seniors who made first honor roll are: Pauline Betty, Earle Buckley, James Burdett, Pamela Casey, Patricia Craig, Anne Dewey, Peggy Leach, Ellen Luoma, Francis Maloney, Steve Martin, Kathy Marvel, Betty Mensinger, Bernd Merforth, Sandra Moore.

Kathy Neill, Kenny Piech, Linda Rink, James Ryan, and Guy White.

Juniors on the first honor roll

are Mary Ann Clawson, David Gibson, Richard Hartland, Deborah Huff, Harold Johnson, Sandra Leisey, Cynthia Lowden, James Mensinger, Catherine Rodichok, Nancy Ryan, and Marcia Watson.

Sophomores on the first honor roll are Janet Farmer, Bobbie Fesler, Rebecca Finch, Linda Grimes, Ellen Haden, Keith Irwin, Mary Ann Jackson, Karen Jones, Ken Kehrer, Edward Podgorski, Edward Polaski, Rita Raty, Charles Rhodes.

Roxanne Ritchie, Patricia Roberts, Doris Ross, John Shaw, John Simmons, Barbara Smithey, Sherri Stout, Maryellen Walls, Patricia Wolskee, and Leonard Zabinko.

Seniors who made the second honor roll are as follows: Carmel

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## Bus Race Enlivens 3:20 Rush

Among the many daily contests at Conrad is one called the "3:20 rush." Students who ride buses are well aware of the rules.

When the bells sound to end the school day, bus drivers, who have been waiting outside since about 3:10, start up their engines. As soon as enough students have deposited themselves and their belongings in a tangled heap on a seat, off goes the bus.

Students who were delayed—for valid or invalid reasons—are offered several choices: they can race after the bus, risking loss of life and/or books, hats, gloves, etc.; they can give up and try to beg a ride from friends; they can ride a public bus, if a bus route goes anywhere near their home; they can walk home; or they can call parents, relatives, or neighbors for rescue.

We propose a change in the rules—call it the "3:30 rush." Although a ten-minute wait will remove a bit of the sporting element from the game, it may help to retain the sanity of a few students who seem to find themselves too often watching their bus disappear into the distance at 3:25.

## It's Time to Start Caring

A young woman is stabbed to death while neighbors ignore her screams. An elderly widow is pushed to the sidewalk and her purse is snatched on a busy city street. "Shameful," we say. "Why has America become so apathetic?" we wonder, assuring ourselves that we would never have permitted such atrocities.

Editorials and news commentaries issue pleas for the American people to start caring about their fellow citizens. "But we're only high school students," we rationalize. "How can we change America when adults fail?"

Before one condemns every person over thirty, he should examine these incidents. There is a movie on television that he must see so his studying for the Spanish test is left unfinished. Oh, it doesn't matter; he's sure that he will pass. Another student waits until the last weekend to write his term paper. Why should he spend much time on it when he's not going to college anyway?

Can these incidents really be compared? We believe that they can. The ability to care for another human being is the mark of an intelligent, civilized man, but how can one be expected to care about someone else when he doesn't even care about himself?

## British Film Reveals Folly of Atomic War

The War Game is not a movie for people with weak stomachs or weak hearts. It is a very convincing argument for the abolition of atomic weapons.

Shown January 18 at Mount Pleasant High School by Pacem in Terris, a group of citizens working for world peace, it is a British film which simulates the results of atomic warfare up to six months after a blast. It is a movie one tries to forget—but must remember. It is a glimpse of war.

War is not a game. But like a game, atomic war has its winners—the ones who die. Losers survive to withstand the agonies of the events which would probably follow a nuclear attack. In the movie, these are realistically portrayed: a firestorm, caused when the intense heat of fire sucks in oxygen from surrounding areas; humanitarian murders, performed by

police and other officials when victims have no chance of surviving their agony; and food riots, which will occur when the dwindling supply of food is distributed only to those citizens who obey the emergency laws.

The losers' faces reveal the tortures of radiation sickness and burns received from the intense heat which follows a blast. Not only physical but psychological injuries—the agony of loss of family and friends or the shock of what one has witnessed—are mentioned. Sadistic? No, the film is not sadistic. It is bluntly honest. Conradians have all studied radiation sickness in health classes, and have even seen rosy little films on atomic war.

After watching *The War Game* one realizes how stupid the game is—the game whose winners are dead.

## Newcomers Face Changes

## Students Rate Conrad 'Different'

by Barbara Hanna

Different trends, new faces, and climate changes faced six transfer students who entered Conrad this year. The newcomers are from California, Iowa, North Carolina, Massachusetts, and New York.

For senior Helen Fox the climate was a big change. Coming from California, Helen was not accustomed to the cold weather in Delaware. At her former school, Nogales High School, Helen had swimming last period every day, and was used to wearing her bathing suit home. Helen added that the seniors at Nogales had more privileges and were in general ranked high above the underclassmen.

While Conrad students complain about the five minutes between classes, to Elaine Crimi it must seem like an hour. The New York

school she attended had five floors, 3,000 students, and only three minutes between classes. "The school day was split into five sessions," Elaine explained. It began at 11 a.m. and ended at 5:45 p.m.

There were no restrictions on dress in her former high school. The boys were permitted to wear dungarees and to have shoulder-length hair, beards, and mustaches. The girls were allowed to wear short dresses and even slacks to class.

"Oh, there's another difference," Elaine added in her New York accent, "The Conrad students talk differently."

Due to a fire, Medford High students in Massachusetts went to school in two sessions. Mary Lou Sullivan said it was difficult for the teachers. Each session was four and a half hours long, and the teachers had to cover all the mate-

## Nature Buff

# Teacher Enjoys 'Roughing It'

by Kathy Neill

Picture: a crackling fire blinking through the pink fog of dawn, a taut canvas tent standing sturdily by, and Mrs. Andrea Cassel, dipping into the last of the charcoaled, canned beans.

"Roughing it"—in campers' terms—enables her and her husband to enjoy their favorite pastime and to photograph animals in the wild, although, she admits jokingly, "We're not quite as good as Walt Disney!"

Citing the Appalachians as especially picturesque, Mrs. Cassel recalls the visit of a few hungry bears who thoroughly searched the garbage cans nearby. "I thought it rather odd that the collectors would choose 3 a.m. to collect the garbage. I didn't learn until later who our real visitors were!" she laughs.

While not embarking on a bucolic binge, she enjoys throwing herself into a game of softball or volleyball.

Only Merv Griffin, news, and football rate a daily flick of the TV button, according to the pert sociology buff, who makes it a point to keep up with latest names in the news.

Within the confines of Conrad, she acts as sponsor to the twirlers and is beginning her third year as faculty adviser to the Future Teachers of America. She feels, "People should be interested in teaching in different areas, and in FTA we bring in speakers from different fields."

Being in close contact with people, she equates the qualities of a teacher as being a half-and-half combination. "A teacher should

know his subject and like to be with people."

Students, she feels, are now more dependent on their parents for financial aid at college. "There is a greatly magnified pressure on college-bound students today, and it is even more trying to those students of limited ability who are pushed into college by their parents.

"Vocational and technical schools are excellent and we need more of them. High schools are often weak in this area, but Conrad is on top in its programs for the non-academic."

The values of adult society are being contested now by the college set who were previously concerned only with the diploma. She declares this to be a healthy sign, but feels too many college protesters are destroying everything wantonly without offering a solution in return.

"Because it's a democratic society, there's no reason why people can't use the Constitutional powers instead of anarchy to effect change." Methods used are equally as valuable as new ideas. "Besides," she insists, "new ideas are not necessarily good ones."

Reacting to the newly formed Student Union, she asserts firmly that students should be heard from when they respect the administration. But a Student Union run like a labor union would be totally wrong since students have an obligation to go to school and obey authority.

Although avowed never to enter politics—"which would result in my loss of free-thinking"—she likes



Flashing a smile, Mrs. Cassel welcomes her seventh period class. Photo by Kathy Neill.

dabbling in social problems and foreign affairs. Shaking her head in exasperation, Mrs. Cassel vehemently declares, "People have to be concerned about others as individuals."

Eyes twinkling; she admits that one quality she admires in others is the ability to tell a good joke. "Even though I consider my sense of humor my best quality, when I get to the punch line of a fantastic joke that I just spent twenty minutes laughing over and it falls flat, I am embarrassed!"

## SDS Blasts Establishment, Resents DuPont Influence

by Mary Jo DiAngelo

Stagger down a narrow flight of steps painted in glowing psychedelic colors. Turn left to enter the Phoenix, a Newark coffee shop. Turn right and enter the tiny, smoke-filled office of *The Heterodoxical Voice*, a monthly underground newspaper backed by Students for a Democratic Society.

Dave Barnes is a part-time student at the University of Delaware. His sensitive face and short, neatly combed brown hair hardly fit the popular conception of an SDS student—that of a long-haired, unwashed anarchist. Yet Dave is a member of the *Voice's* editorial board, presently hard at work supervising a film on student demonstrations.

"The SDS," he began, leaning back and lighting a cigarette, "was formed a few years ago by a group of young civil rights workers in the South. Since then, the group has expanded its anti-racist

policy to include a platform opposing the Vietnam war and, in the case of the Delaware SDS, a crusade against the DuPont Company.

"The DuPonts have turned this university into a family institution," Dave said. "They control all the policy-making decisions."

"We feel," he continued, "that no one family should have so much influence in a state or university."

In the same way, Dave sees America as an undemocratic society controlled by an elite, profit-oriented group, interested in big business.

"We're a very decentralized organization," he continued. "The Delaware SDS branch isn't forced to go along with the policies of the national SDS."

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## Hearse Totes Lively Ones; Redskins Join Campus Life

by Jean Sanner

Seen often in the Conrad parking lot: one black hearse with the legend "join the lively ones" emblazoned on its side. The hearse is a symbol of a club quickly becoming a meaningful part of students' lives—Campus Life.

Several Conradians attend the Monday night meetings of Campus Life held at junior Barry Seldomridge's house. Among the regular members are seniors Diane Stetina, Jim Burdett, Janice Martin, Maryann Venturena, Jackie Jewell, Donna Meyer, Danny Dombrowski, Diana Liddicoat, Jaci Colvin, and Freddie Burton.

Jim Hertzler, a recent graduate of Philadelphia College and the only adult member in the club, is the secretary of the Wilmington branch of Campus Life.

"A balanced life" is the philosophy of Campus Life, whose headquarters are located on Harrison Street. The philosophy is brought out by the informal club discussions involving social, physical, mental, and spiritual aspects of life.

Members of the club agree that if more people would become interested in Campus Life the club would be more capable of helping students. Nothing is required of anyone to join the club. There are no officers or dues.

The meetings usually present some kind of entertainment followed by an informal discussion. At one meeting, Bill Russell, a

folk singer from Conrad, entertained the group.

The future holds some interesting events for the club. A pillow fight is scheduled for one meeting, although the exact date is not known. When the weather turns warmer a "wild goose chase" will take place in the streets of Wilmington. A basketball marathon is scheduled for February 17. Jimmy Dykes and Mike Evans, juniors, are to be captains of Conrad's teams. A skiing trip is also on the agenda for club members.

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**Suspense Rages**

**Love, Death Haunt New Novels**

by Diane Johnson  
Three of the greatest mystery-romance writers of today have written three new thrillers: Phyllis A. Whitney, *Silverhill*; Victoria Holt, *The King of the Castle*; and Mary Stewart, *The Gabriel Hounds*.

Staid New England is the setting of *Silverhill*. Malinda Rice is bringing her mother's body home to Silverhill, the great house built by her grandfather, Diah, and left to her autocratic grandmother, Julia, upon his death.

Knowing she is unwelcome, but hoping her relatives might accept her, Mallie moves into Silverhill to find what happened to divide her family one day more than twenty years ago. There she meets, besides grandmother Julia, her Aunt Arvilla, who had been on the stage many years back; Elden Salway, the dark, mysterious gardener; Kate, his sister; Gerald, Mallie's one-armed cousin; and Dr. Wayne Martin, the romantic interest and doctor-in-residence at the house, and his son Chris. To win a place at Silverhill, Mallie fights against fear and insanity to

discover the key to the house's mystery.

**THRILLER CITED**

English Dallas Lawson is the courageous heroine, and France is the setting of Victoria Holt's *The King of the Castle*.

Her father dead, Dallas must make her own way in life, so she takes a job doing what her father taught her—fixing and rejuvenating precious old paintings at Chateau Gaillard, home of the notorious Comte de la Talle. Here she meets the Comte, his wild unpredictable daughter Genevieve, and Phillipe, who will inherit the chateau unless the Comte remarries and has a son.

Dallas becomes entangled in the chateau life, not realizing she is a danger to all involved. Murder, illegitimacy, and dark old family secrets are all part of the mystery that explodes into her life as a result of her growing love for the handsome Comte.

**ROMANCE MEETS MYSTERY**  
The exotic Middle East is the

most perfect place in the world for a sensible young Englishwoman to become embroiled in romance and mystery, and this is exactly what Christy Mansel does in Mary Stewart's *The Gabriel Hounds*.

Dar Ibrahim is the mystery palace and Lady Harriet Boyd is its equally mysterious owner. Charles Mansel, a cousin to whom Christy has always been close, is the hero and romantic interest of the story. The highly unusual line-up of characters includes Hamid, a helpful Turkish hired-car driver; Halide, a beautiful, silent servant of Lady Harriet's; Nasirulla, Halide's equally taciturn brother; ancient Jassim, a bungling old porter who can't talk; John Lethman, a quiet companion to Lady Harriet; and the mysterious Lady Harriet herself.

Money and wealth are the goals for the players in the game; opium is the pathway to them in *The Gabriel Hounds*. Unwittingly, Christy stumbles into this cloak-and-dagger game of life-and-death with only her wits and cousin Charles to help her emerge the winner.

**Peggy, Governor Dance At Inaugural Ball**

by Ellen Luoma

Dances with Governor Peterson, Representative Bill Roth, and Lieutenant Governor Eugene Bookhammer highlighted sophomore Peggy McDowell's evening at the New Castle County Inaugural Ball.

Mr. Peterson's arrival at 11:20 from the Kent ball was the climax. "Everybody practically mobbed him," chuckled Peggy. "There were plainclothesmen all over the place and a guard was with Mr. Peterson all the time. I don't know how many newsmen came, but there were seven or eight with cameras."

"Everybody was tired but happy," Peggy said. "There was lots of kissing, hand shaking, and dancing."

Peggy's father, the new Fish and Game Commissioner, has known Mr. Peterson and Mr. Roth for years. "Mr. Roth is so friendly and good natured!" exclaimed Peggy. "He always has time for everyone. Mrs. Peterson is petite and attractive," said Peggy, herself a tall green-eyed girl. "And she's warm hearted and enthusiastic. Mr. Peterson is more reserved, but he's friendly and sincere. Last



Peggy McDowell reviews Inaugural festivities. Photo by Ellen Luoma.

summer at the convention, I got lost and he took me under his wing until we found my father."

During the campaign, Peggy was busy handing out literature at rallies, and later in the campaign, doorbelling. "At the convention in Rehoboth we—about 250 Peterson youth—march around carrying signs. That night he threw a party for us at the Surf Club. It had a psychedelic band and everything." Another former Russette, senior Anne Dewey, also attended the ball.

**Student-of-the-Month**

**Acting, Sewing Delight Senior**



Broadway-bound senior Janice Martin discusses her future. Photo by Jim Dykes.

by Journalism I class  
Edwardian ruffles and corkscrew curls are as much a part of Sock-and-Buskin Club president Janice Martin as a fervent love for the art of dramatics.

Bubbling brightly, this lively senior cites her elementary school's spring play as her first introduction into dramatic competition. Featured in two major roles while at Conrad, and director of the children's play "Many Moons," Janice plans to pursue acting at the University of Delaware, studying speech and drama next fall.

With a glint of excitement in her sparkling blue eyes, Janice confesses an ardent wish to be able to participate in community theater and to try her luck on Broadway. Bette Davis—"so downright ugly

but so full of character"—tops Janice's list of entertainers with "real backbone." Clark Gable and Elizabeth Taylor also inspire awe. "I'm not much for the 'dumb blonde' type," admits Janice.

The buzz of a sewing machine is also familiar to Janice, who is "crazy about clothes." She takes pride in designing her own fashions and setting her own styles.

Janice may choose dress designing as a career to fall back on if the drama field is unkind.

Putting her philosophy of life into words, Janice reflects, "So much time is spent getting ready to live—not much time is left to do it." She regrets deeply that people have a tendency to be too materialistic, too technical, and too prejudiced.

**Audience Receives Moliere With Mixed Reactions**

by Ellen Luoma

Conradians received the National Theater Company's production of Moliere's *The Miser*, a slapstick situation comedy about an old tightwad whose vanity and stinginess almost ruin his children's plans for marriage, with mixed reactions. Many heartily applauded the play, while others expressed either disgust or indifference.

"I think it was overdone," said senior Pauline Betty, and that seems to be, to this reporter at least, the consensus of opinion.

"You can't over-act Moliere," commented Mr. Donald Morgan, co-director of the theater arts class. "However, the comedy technique has to be exactly right. The cast went through the mechanics of acting, but the technique was bad. I'd say the play was mediocre."

The National Theater Company, a troupe of professional actors who travel from school to school performing various plays, was formed four years ago by co-producers Barry Weisler and Fran Weller.

"Probably the most valuable contribution we can make," said Miss Weller, "is to take the great plays out of the classroom and put them on the stage where they belong. To many students the word 'classic' is synonymous with 'old' or 'boring'. Our aim is to destroy this impression. After all, we call a play a 'classic' because it has retained its original excitement and meaning for all ages."

Last year, the company's pro-

duction of Moliere's *The Physician In Spite of Himself*, was a hit.

"We never dreamt that students would respond so over-whelmingly to Moliere's play," said Mr. Weisler. "We knew they would enjoy the play, but couldn't possibly anticipate how much. We've received letters of appreciation by the scores asking us to return with another Moliere. So, of course, we are."

"I think Moliere's comedy touches a nerve, because, unlike today's television comedy with its artificiality and canned laughter, it is based on truth," said Miss Weller. "All great comedy is."

Commenting on the obstacles, Laura Eager, young, dark-haired stage manager said, "Even though the scenery is always the same, the sizes of the stages vary. And some auditoriums are as big as barns. Voices drift out from the stage and disappear."

Miss Eager started her career in summer stock when she was in junior high in Buffalo, New York. "I've always wanted to be a scenic designer," she said, adding hastily, "But there's nothing romantic about the theater. More stage people, especially actors, are out of work than anyone else. And it is hard work—none of the 9 to 5 hours. Why do I do it? I'm a nut. I like it!"

**Funds Available**

**Parents, Students Seek Aid**

by Peggy Leach and Patty Craig

In the mad scramble for college acceptances, harried students—and their parents—often overlook aid programs for which they are eligible.

Financial aid is usually given in a "package deal" consisting of a loan, employment, and scholarship or outright grant.

Loans, usually low-interest, do not have to be repaid until after the student completes his college education. For bank loans, which are the most common type, a student must be a depositor at the bank and accepted by his college, and his parents must co-sign the loan.

Often colleges will provide jobs to help students meet college costs. Business firms offer programs in which students divide their time between working and studying. For

instance, there is the Atlas program, in which students work three hours each day (for \$1.75 an hour).

**SCHOLARSHIPS LISTED**

Scholarships include five general classifications: state, corporation, foundation, local association, and competitive. Applicants must be deserving academically and financially. For instance, a National Merit Finalist may receive only a token of \$100 if he has no great financial need.

Many students would qualify for the General Motors Scholarship, which can be used at more than 200 colleges and universities throughout the nation. Recipients are chosen by the individual colleges; they must be U.S. citizens. The amount of aid ranges from \$200 to \$2000 a year. More than 3,450 students have already taken advantage of this fund.

The Sears Home Economics Scholarship is offered to freshmen attending the University of Delaware who have shown potential in extra-curricular activities. Students from rural backgrounds are given preference for this \$200-a-year fund.

Funds are available for students who plan to pursue a course not offered at a state university.

**SECRETARIES AIDED**

Not all scholarships are four-year. The National Secretaries Association (Delaware Chapter) offers two full-tuition scholarships for a two-year course at Goldey Beacom to senior girls. Most businesses offer academic stenographic training programs for girls interested in secretarial careers.

The state of Delaware offers grants for children of deceased veterans, Delaware State College (Continued on Page 6)

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# Redskins to Face Bulldogs At Brandywine Gym Tonight

The surprising Brandywine Bulldogs provide the opposition for the Redskins this evening in a crucial Blue Hen Conference contest at Brandywine. Brandywine is currently in the thick of the race.

Last Friday, the Redskins staked out an early lead and coasted home to defeat the McKean Highlanders 66-52. A third period surge led by John Terranova brought the Highlanders within six points, but Dennis Johnson's hot hand put the game out of reach.

The Redskins, coming off a spectacular first half, show signs of going all the way. At the midseason break, their record was 8-1 with the only loss coming against the streaking De La Warr Lions. At this time, the Redskins and the Lions were deadlocked in a tie for the top spot in the conference.

Looking back on the results of the first half, Coach Jim Hagan commented, "Certainly I'm very pleased with our success during the first half. A lot of the younger

boys without varsity experience showed good ability and poise."

Coach Hagan cited the fact that the team played together as the major reason for their good record. "Nobody can say that we're a one- or two-man team. We certainly have jelled."

The first half also produced many interesting statistics. Dennis Johnson, Conrad's potent offensive threat, led all scorers with 157 points or a 17.3 average per game. Although Dennis had the most points, Mickey Kelley was more of a deadly shot. He hit for 44 per cent from the floor.

One of the major pluses for the Redskins has been the rebounding strength of the front three. Junior Chuck Haney led in this department with 85 offensive and defensive rebounds. Seniors Dennis Johnson and Robbie Martin also contributed with 77 and 52 rebounds respectively.

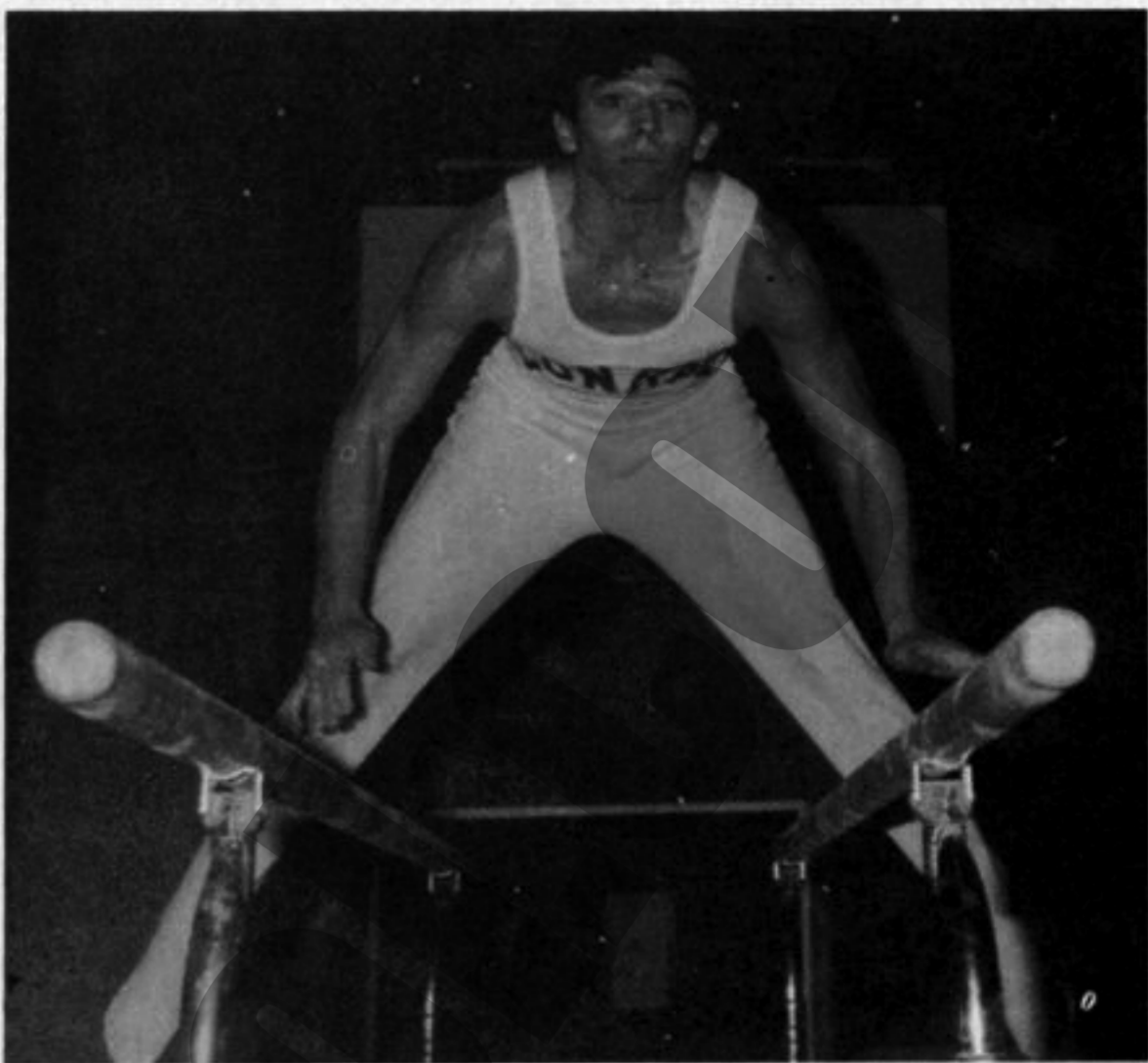
From the foul line, junior Denny Cline has hit 78 per cent of his attempted shots.

No Conradian can justly complain of dull games. Brandywine, Mt. Pleasant, Newark, Wilmington, and De La Warr have all provided exciting contests for the Redskin cagers. Indicative of this was the last minute shot by Robbie Martin to nudge out Mt. Pleasant in a hard-fought battle.

Coach Hagan promises that the action will not ebb. "The second half will most likely be tougher. I just hope we have enough to pull out the close ones."



Robbie Martin and Mt. Pleasant player struggle for the ball as Chuck Haney stands by. Photo by Sue Meginniss.



Danny Conner performs on parallel bars during meet with Henderson High. Photo by Joseph Hogentogler.

## Injuries Spoil Hopes For Brandywine Upset

Injuries to three of its top contestants have hampered Redskin gymnasts, giving them only one win out of their three matches. Coach Donald Kasner reports, "If we can get everybody healthy, our goal will be to give Brandywine a run for their money."

In the first meet of the year, Conrad hosted a strong Henderson High team of West Chester, Pennsylvania. With senior Dan Connor handicapped with an ankle injury, the Redskins competed without their regular entry in the all-around event and lost a close match 289.6 to 262.7.

Connor, however, worked with his injury in individual events and took a first place in the parallel bars and a second in the side horse.

Jeff Cooper, now sidelined with a neck injury, took second in the high bar. Third places for Conrad

were taken by the following: Ken Sarnecky, parallel bars; Ron Mulhern, tumbling; Don Andrus, high bar; and Chip Reed, rings.

Traveling away, Conrad defeated host Ridley High January 14, 307.6 to 271.5. Dan Connor, recovering from his injury, won the side horse, high bar, parallel bars, and rings; Ron Mulhern took the long horse and tumbling events to complete a Conrad sweep of the six first-place positions.

The results of the meet against Springfield and of the triangular meet against Woodrow Wilson High of Pennsylvania and Brandywine were not available at press time.

Conrad has four remaining meets: Mt. Pleasant, today; a triangular match against Valley Forge and Brandywine, away, February 19; a home meet against Brandywine, February 21; and a rescheduled Springfield match.

Redskin gymnasts will also be represented at four major meets: the State Meet, Great Valley Invitational Meet, Tri-State Meet, and the Maryland Open.

## Tough Winter Season Readies Runners For Spring

Matching last year's winning 10-1 record will be a tough job for newly-named head track coach, Mr. Charles Lykens. With the assistance of Mr. Hilton Cohen, history teacher, Mr. Lykens plans to "equal or better" last year's second-place finish in the Blue Hen Conference.

The squad will participate in four winter meets sponsored by the Delaware Interscholastic Track and Field Coaches Association.

The meets each include the following events: long-distance medley (three-quarter, half, quarter, and one-mile legs), middle distance medley (880-yard, 440-yard, 220-yard, and one-mile legs), one-mile relay, two-mile relay, and sprint-relay (880-yard, 220-yard, and 440-yard legs).

The first meet was held February 5 at Conrad, the second, last Wednesday at Alexis I. DuPont, and the third will be held next Wednesday at Tower Hill. The association will also sponsor the Delaware Interscholastic Indoor Championship to be held at the Delaware fieldhouse, February 24. In addition to these meets, the annual Frostbite Meet will be held at Tower Hill the first week in March. The results of these meets were unavailable at press time.

"Equaling last year's record will take a lot of hard work from the returning seniors," said Mr. Lykens. "What we need now is a leader who will take the responsibility of sparking this team."

The responsibility of running the team this year will be on the shoulders of veteran seniors Tim Carson, Mark Clark, Elwood Black, Walter Johnson and Jim Burdett.

Replacing such local greats as Emile Gardner, Jack Keller, and Larry Thomas—all proud owners of Conrad records—will be a tough job; maybe the perseverance of Coaches Lykens and Cohen throughout the winter months will pay off in the spring.

## Laugh-In Postponed

Because of the hectic pace during the basketball and wrestling seasons, the much-awaited Varsity 'C' Laugh-In has been postponed. "We have not set a definite date for the show yet, but it will not interfere with the regular talent show," stated production director Sam Womer.

The production will star the members of the Varsity 'C' Club in roles taken from Rowan and Martin's Laugh-In.

## Gunning Bedford Crushed By Girls' Basketball Team

The girls' basketball team stunned Gunning Bedford by defeating both their varsity and J.V. February 7. Linda Cunningham padded the Redskins' score of 70 points by scoring 18 points.

The girls lost February 5 to A. I. du Pont after a disappointing second half.

The junior varsity team is in a good position to place first in the conference with only one defeat.

Debbie Liddicoat and Pam Nagle are co-captains of the Redskins 1969 girls' basketball team.

The girls upset Claymont and Dickinson by scores of 41-15 and 63-33 respectively. They were also victorious over Christiana and Concord by approximately ten points each game. They were defeated by McKean and William Penn by a four-point margin.

The results from the games February 11 and 14 with Brandywine and Mount Pleasant were not available at press time.

Seniors on the team include


Mary Boone, Pat Cunningham, Djane Liddicoat, Claire Snyder, Beverly Sowden, Diane Stetina, and Rose Walls.

Juniors include the junior varsity captain, Cindy Lowden, Janet Adams, Lorraine Angeline, Carol Bell, Cindy Coogan, Pat Donovan, Chris Kearns, Gail McKeever, Kathy Ross, Roseann Sanna, Judy Scholato, and Ricky Stubbs.

Following are the sophomore members: Tandra Billips, Mary K. Boston, Linda Cunningham, Linda Grimes, Lorrie Grodzicki, Kathy Kriebel, Donna McBride, Anita Miller, Diane Pietuszka, Lorraine Quashne, and Tish Wolskee, also a junior varsity captain.

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## Italy to Host Delaware Teens

Rome, Florence, Pisa, Naples, Pompeii and other historical cities are on the program for this year's European trip sponsored by the Delaware Junior Classical League.

The trip will last ten days, with the group leaving New York April 3 and returning April 13. All expenses are included in the \$365 fee.

A meeting for all interested students and parents was held at Concord High School February 3.

At present the only Conradian signed for the tour is junior Lisa Cuiffetelli.

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# Conrad to Act as Host For Annual Job Fair

Conrad will again host this year's Job Fair scheduled for March 25, 26, and 27 in the gym. Seniors who expect to be employed in industry or business will be able to meet and talk with personnel representatives from more than forty companies.

A book describing the companies participating in the Job Fair will be available in the library after February 15.

"Seniors should study this and select the specific companies which they want to visit," said guidance director Miss Louise Jackson, who is scheduling chairman for the Job Fair. "Teachers should also study this so that they can advise their students."

An assembly explaining how to

conduct an interview will be held March 11 for eligible seniors. A preview dinner for exhibitors, school officials, counselors, and dignitaries will be held March 24 in the cafeteria.

Products, equipment, and types of work will be on display in the exhibition booths. Although the personnel representatives will not be hiring at this time, they will explain company policies, job qualifications, and material concerning interviews.

Sixty Conradians will act as hosts and hostesses for the seven other schools which will attend. No appointments are necessary to meet with specific representatives, but students may attend the Job Fair only at their scheduled times.

# DSPA Writing Competition To Test Editors' Creativity

A team of four Smoke Signal editors will compete in the Delaware Scholastic Press Association writing competitions March 29 at Dover High School.

Delaware student editors will vie for awards in news writing, editorial writing, speech reporting, newspaper make-up, interviewing, and yearbook layout. Patti Craig, Smoke Signal copy editor, won third prize in news-

writing in last year's competition.

Student of the Year and Newspaper of the Year competitions will also highlight the convention.

A team of six senior editors will attend the annual Temple University Press Tournament April 19. Linda Rink, Smoke Signal news editor, placed second in the science writing competition last year, while Mary Jo DiAngelo, feature editor, won an honorable mention.

# Visitor from Chile Enjoys Sunsets, Westerns, Babies

Sunsets, Westerns, and babies are just a few things that interest Chilean exchange student Lete Gebler.

With a smile and a flip of her long brown hair, Lete easily talks about herself and her stay in the United States.

Lete, who is staying with junior Rickey Stubbs, is here on the Open Door program. She is spending her summer vacation in Delaware and will return home to Osorno, Chile, March 9.

Lete's "home" here is quite dif-

ferent from her home in Chile. Her family owns a 1,000-acre farm where cattle and horses are raised.

Most students complain when they have to take five or six major subjects, but Lete is taking twelve majors at home in Chile. She is also attending a special school to learn German.

Recently Lete, along with other exchange students, toured Washington, D.C., Williamsburg, and New York City.

# Matmen Seek Championship; Conrad to Host Rams

A neck and neck wrestling season will end with tomorrow's Dickinson meet and a probable tie for first place between Conrad and Newark. At press time both teams chalked-up 8-1 records, but an upset anywhere in the final meets could put one school on top.

In a close game with non-conference Claymont, Conrad slipped by 28-22. De La Warr was swamped 37-6, but the results of the Wilmington meet were not yet available.

In a crucial match February 1 Conrad knocked Brandywine out of a three-way tie for the conference championship 23-17. Despite the absences of regulars Daryl Andrus and Mark Grandell, both out with knee injuries, Conrad matmen waged an impressive fight.

Coming from behind an early three-point Brandywine lead, Conrad dominated the remainder of the scoring, alternating between three and six points ahead of the Bulldogs. A pin in the final match could have given the meet to Brandywine, but heavyweight Chris Soligo, recovering from a shoulder injury, won his match and the meet was Conrad's.



Bruce Arterbridge battles fiercely to maintain Conrad's first place position. Photo by Joseph Hogentogler.

Junior varsity injury replacements David O'Neill, David Hosan, and Gary Muterspaw did exceptionally well. None were pinned and David Hosan won his match 2-0. This was 95-pounder O'Neill's first varsity meet. Bruce Arterbridge continued undefeated with a 7-0 record.

Conrad began the season rather

haphazardly, first smashing Christina 50-5 and then losing to Newark 33-12. After Newark, they eased past Mount Pleasant 29-11 and non-conference Concord 23-19. McKean, which later beat Newark, was defeated 24-18. For the first time in school history Conrad beat William Penn with a score of 32-9.

# Polar Bear Races Ending; Jogging Aids Fitness Buffs

Concluding a three-month season, Polar Bear races will come to a close with the beginning of spring track.

The informal races, which have been conducted with an eye more on keeping fit than on grueling competition, have attracted both men and lady bears. Participants include not only off-season track, football, and cross country athletes but also beginners just out for the challenge.

Paul Croney has established himself as the leading male bear with two wins starting from "scratch" position. Mary Boone likewise holds lady bear honors

while program adviser, Mr. David Williams, holds on to his single win.

The races are run according to the Olympic handicaps in which the faster, more experienced runners known as "scratch men" start as much as eight minutes behind the beginning "limit men."

The lady bears run once around a 1.3-mile course through the streets of Woodcrest. The men bears run the same course three times. Races have been held in the rain, but as yet there hasn't been enough snow to test Polar Bear endurance. According to Mr. Williams, "Polar bears do not run during earthquakes or hurricanes."

# CHS Plays Sals

The Redskin football squad will resume its rivalry with the Sallies of Salesianum next year. The game, to be the only night match for Conrad, is tentatively set for Friday, September 19, at Baynard Stadium.

# Sophomore Scholars Lead Honor List

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Addes, Susan Armstrong, Bruce Arterbridge, Alice Bennett, Joseph Benson, Doris Bogucki, Susan Breitigan, Elizabeth Brown, Charles Carter.

Mary Chlebowski, Ronald Ciancio, Deborah Clark, Deborah Cline, Phyllis Crowe, Patricia Dunningham, Linda Curran, George Davis, Mary DiAngelo, Kathleen DiFrancesco, Kathleen Doherty, Karen Doran, Kathleen Dryden, Carol Gilbert.

Richard Goodman, Deborah Grabowski, Barbara Hanna, Paul Herrmann, Cheryl Hicken, Patricia Higley, Edith Hogan, Jacqueline Jewell, Diane Johnson, Walter Johnson, Elaine Kindbeiter, Anne Koiv, Kenneth Love, Peggy Love.

Donna McClelland, Donna Meyer, Marlene Moriello, Barbara Morris, Faye Nichols, Anne O'Donnell, Kathleen O'Neill, Joann Polecaro, Steven Porter, Deborah Reed, Emma Rushie, Barbara Schmidt, Jack Schetron, Terry Shaw.

Elaine Siemienski, Robert Simmons, Gail Simpson, Thomas Smith, Helen Smolka, Claire Snyder, Virginia Spence, Deborah Stewart, Carole Swiatek, Ronald Talmo, Joyce Taylor, Maryann Venturana, Samuel Womer, Kenneth Wortham and Esther Yost.

Juniors who made the second honor roll are as follows: Karen Adams, Sharyn Asquith, Stanley Bachmura, Bruce Baker, James Barczewski, Carol Bell, Elizabeth Bestpitch, Beverly Bove, Lawrence Bulat, MaryAnn Colicchio.

John Czerwinski, Charlene Davis, Richard Davis, Andrea Devenney, Deborah Dzielak, William Eastburn, Jon Fletcher, Nancy Forman, Douglas Griffith, Charles Haney, Susan Heninger, Gale Hilyard.

Deborah Hitchens, David Hosan, Linda Jewell, Dorothy Karacz, Christine Kearns, Diane Koterwas, Mary Larue, Elizabeth Lindell, James Logullo, Janine Maichle, Geoffrey Martin, Gail McKeever, Susan Meginniss.

Helen Mergenthaler, Roberta Merrill, Richard Morris, Joanne Olkowski, Roy Peacock, Ann Rawley, Katherine Ross, Judy Scholato, Jeffrey Stabnau, Viola Staker, Bruce Stelle, Jayne Stoneberger, Richele Stubbs.

Nancy Stumpf, Michael Valenti, Cynthia Whiteco, and John Witkowski.

Sophomores who made second honor roll are as follows: Mari Ellen Baker, Patricia Barnes, Monike Boerstlee, Mary Boston,

William Bryan, Donna Callahan, Judy Carmean, Joan Cooper, Judy Dolan.

Chris Dougherty, Susan Draper, Bruce Dryden, Sandra Felmey, Carolyn Freed, Gordon Gawronski, Robert Gilmour, Diane Hanna, Timothy Hanson, Sandra Heilbing, George Higley, Richard Jackson.

Norma Jones, Larry Kelley, Susan Kramer, Dave Kraus, Kathleen Kriebel, Mike Marciszyn, Kevin McDaniel, Diane McGee, Jane Mesinger, Anita Miller, Cynthia Miller, Carleen Myers, Melinda Neal.

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February Activities

# Senior Plans Take Spotlight

The Senior Prom, graduation exercises, and a graduation gift will be discussed at the senior class meeting Monday.

The date for the prom has been set for June 3. It will be held in the Gold Ballroom at the Hotel duPont. Monday seniors will vote whether they want the prom to be a dinner dance. The money being collected from the senior class dues will be used to finance the prom expenses.

Because of the size of the senior class, the graduation exercises will be held on the football field this year, weather permitting. If the exercises are held outside, persons other than the parents will be able to attend.

A trophy case will be presented to the school as the 1969 graduation gift.

### HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTS

Five Honor Society members inducted officers of the Oak Grove Junior Honor Society February 11 at Oak Grove Junior High School.

Francis Maloney, president of the Conrad chapter, gave the introductory speech at the assembly and presided over the candle-lighting ceremony. Linda Rink Pauline Betty, Guy White, and Anne Dewey gave speeches on scholarship, character, school service, and leadership, respectively.

Secretary-treasurer, Ken Piech, then announced the Oak Grove officers and new members.

### "FASCHING-PARTY" COMING

A "Fasching-party" will be the highlight of the German Club in March. "Fasching, the German equivalent of Halloween," explained Miss Marjorie Mabray, German Club adviser, "is celebrated gaily in many parts of Germany with parades and music, and all people get dressed up." The party is planned to take place before Lent in a club member's house.

### JUNIOR CLASS RAFFLES \$20

Some lucky Conradian will soon be the winner of a \$20 gift certificate from Strawbridge and Clothier in the Junior Class Raffle.

### SDS Blasts

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About 40 U. of D. students are official SDS members who pay the regulation dues of two dollars to national SDS headquarters. Many students who support the organization and attend its Monday night meetings won't commit themselves as official members, Dave believes, because the college administration and the FBI will record their names.

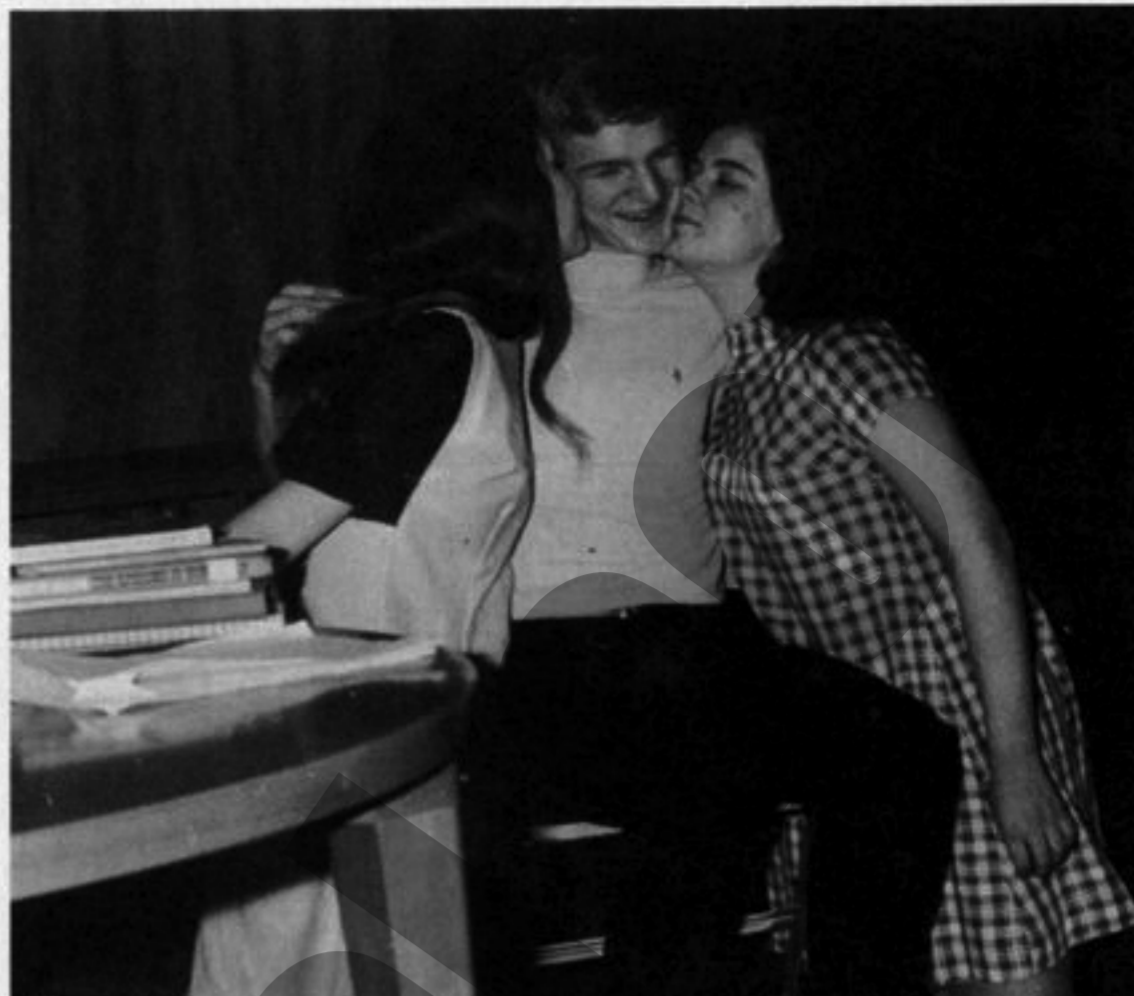
Dave feels that the SDS has been treated unfairly by many newspapers. He criticizes the press—the News Journal in particular—for exaggerating and often misquoting facts about the organization. "They perceive us as a threat to the status quo," he commented.

According to Dave, the SDS has helped bring significant changes to the U. of D. campus. ROTC is no longer a compulsory course, and the curfew for women students has been extended.

Later, sprawled on a sofa in Brown Hall, sophomore Bill Dempsey and another SDS student who preferred to remain anonymous talked about SDS.

"The SDS obviously threatens the power structure of the country," explained Bill, who, with his beard, denim pants, and long hair, is the ideal middle-class conception of the SDS student. "We attack the industrial, military, and corporate complexes that control the country."

"But the SDS is non-violent," added "anonymous," who was wearing a University of California sweatshirt. "We try to get our point across by peaceful demonstrations, pamphlets, and our newspaper, The Voice."



Jayne Stoneberger and Linda Law rehearse a scene from "Charlie's Aunt" with George Fox. Photo by Kathy Neill.

## Grueling Hours and Effort Characterize Actors' Class

By Kathy Neill

The word "theater" creates a picture of an actor exuding self-assurance and flowing grace—one standing framed in the spotlight reaping the applause of his adoring audience.

But when a theater arts class member hears the term, he probably recalls frenzied dress rehearsals, grueling hours of practicing techniques, or humiliating attempts at impossible improvisations.

Under the direction of Mr. Donald Morgan and Mrs. Louise Goddin, the new theater arts class is striving to "give an insight into the endless problems involved in acting and backstage activities," according to Ruth Benson, whose real interest is costume designing.

Informality is the keynote, thus inducing a more creative atmosphere of spontaneity. "The relaxed condition of the class lets you learn a lot more," explains Jayne Stoneberger. "Sometimes we just start a discussion and I find out so many fine points I didn't know before. Or I discover others have been thinking along the same line as I."

"The theater is a many-faceted activity," declares Mrs. Goddin, enumerating the many angles such as pantomiming, body movement, voice, criticism of plays, etc.

"Many Moons," a children's play that was taken on tour, was the project for the past semester. Every class member (besides writing his own version of the script) performed a specific job in the production.

"With Mrs. Goddin acting merely the role of adviser," accounts Janice Martin, "the class members found that creating a finished

performance required 100 percent dedication! Everyone unanimously agreed that all the work and money we donated to its result was worth it."

Gary Glazer recalls painfully, "A lot of times the revolving scenery came out crooked or fell apart on tour, which caused a lot of ad-libbing!"

Linda Jewell seems to have caught the infectious spirit and says, "This class is more than just an acting class. It stimulates a true love for the theater, that is shared by each person in here."

Mrs. Goddin hopes for a few more members next year who might be interested in the production aspect of the course; but she shuns the idea of a big group. She welcomes "anyone who is honestly and thoroughly interested in theater."

During the second semester, Mr. Morgan will assume his duties as co-sponsor of the group.

### Aid Sought

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Scholarships, scholarships for students in the field of education, and "Right to Education" grants.

These and other aid programs can be found by the enterprising student who checks the scholarship file in the guidance office. "There are many unusual scholarships available if students would just look," commented Mrs. Marion Roth, sophomore counselor.

### CHESS CHAMPS MEET HERE

The New Castle County Chess Conference will hold an individual tournament at Conrad all day tomorrow. The top two players of each school will play in the competition.

Senior Ken Piech and junior Bruce Baker will represent Conrad.

## SCHOOL BOARD NEWS



### Area Scouts Meet at CHS

More than 600 area girls will meet in the auditorium for Girl Scout Unit 19's "Get Together" March 15. Free use of the auditorium was authorized by the School Board.

The Band Parents' Association has been given permission to hold a candy sale to finance the band's trip to the St. Petersburg Festival of States in Florida.

Basketball commentary is now more easily audible in the gym due to the use of the six new column speakers, bought under the Capital Improvements Program for \$590.

Chimney, auditorium roof, and balcony bannister repairs have been made. Radiators in the drafting room and gym corridor have been replaced.

### 40 See Washington

## DECA Members Visit Capitol



DECA members tour the Lincoln Memorial while visiting Washington. From left to right they are Jackie Verucci, Bill Andress, Cheryl Janulewicz, and Joe Benson.

Forty DECA members and associate members toured Washington, D.C., by bus January 23.

"It was a three-day trip in six hours," Mr. George Froelich, club adviser, commented. "We visited the Washington Monument, the Jefferson Monument, the Lincoln Memorial, the place where Resurrection City had been, the Smithsonian Institute, the National Archives, and the National Art Gallery."

Students also walked through Arlington National Cemetery, visited President Kennedy's grave and watched the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

DECA students are presently busy setting up programs for March—National DECA Month—and getting ready for the National Leadership Conference, to be held in May. Conrad members are working for Chapter of the Year, a category in which they placed third last year.

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