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Editorial

Many students regret decision to graduate early

Sixteen Southfield High School students chose early graduation in January. Qualifications for early completion include successfully completing 21 units of credit, (the requirement for all students) and filing notification of intent ten weeks before the end of the semester.

The issue of whether or not a student should complete school early does have its pros and cons.

Students who graduate early but do not continue on to a higher level of education, enter the military service or do something constructive with their lives are cutting themselves short. After June, seniors will have their whole lives ahead of them to achieve their goals and dreams. Learning opportunities should be taken advantage of to try and attain the best possible education Southfield High School has to offer.

Secondly, senior year has the distinct reputation as being remembered as the "last time to have fun before college or working life becomes your worries." It is a special time to be with friends and treasure moments spent with them because one never knows if separation from them will be part of the future. Attending senior activities such as senior prom or the annual senior breakfast are also events in life that should be savored.

Seniors who graduate early may not feel that those activities or any others were meaningful then, but, looking back later in life, they may feel regret over the decision they made in not being part of school.

On the other hand, early completion can be beneficial to those students who may want to pursue their life goals. Others may have a higher maturity level and may feel they need to move on to other things they consider more important to the success of their life than the last semester of high school. This may include taking a job apprenticeship, vocational training, taking courses at a community college, entering the military service or getting a full time job to help pay for college the following fall.

Consider former Southfield High School student Carolyn Lerner. She earned enough credits to graduate a year ahead of her 1983 class. She left to serve as Assistant Oakland County Coordinator for Senator Donald Riegle's re-election campaign in the fall of 1982. Not only that but she has been named the 1984 recipient of the Harry S. Truman Memorial Award, a \$20,000 scholarship she received last May 13. Her accomplishments do not stop there. She is now at the London School of Economics in a special pre-law program for her junior year of college. Last summer she interned in the Public Defenders Office in Washington, DC.

While we do not know if Lerner has any regrets in graduating early, we do feel she sets an excellent example for those considering leaving school ahead of schedule in that her life plans and goals were well set.

Schools need policy on death

The situation occasionally arises when Southfield High School must deal with the unfortunate circumstance of a student death. In the past the school has done anything from naming an award in the student's honor to just omitting a name from the attendance list. What, if any, is the school policy on student death?

In the 30 some years of SHS there has never been a standard policy or any written guideline regarding a student death. In past situations when an athlete or school leader with broadly based popularity has died, he or she has often received recognition or a memorial award. When a less known student dies, perhaps by disease or accident, they are forgotten almost as if they had never gone to SHS.

It is time that the school realizes the need to recognize the lives and deaths of all students enrolled at SHS. Any student who attended this highly regarded school while alive, deserves some kind of regard at the least.



Sound Off

Valentines favor romance

Q. What does Valentine's Day mean to you?

A. "A day to spend with someone special."
Joanne Seman, 10

A. "Valentine's Day means a boyfriend to send you candy and flowers."
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A. "Showing love."
Mitzie Broach, 9

A. "A day when people do nice things for each other and let people know they care."
Eric Sedler, 11

A. "A day to let your loved ones know they're loved and appreciated."
Sonya Young, 10

A. "Hearts, candy and love."
Rudy Redmond, 10

A. "Hallmark cards."
Chris Peacock, 11

A. "A chance to show how much I care for the person that I love."
Steve Morgan, 10

A. "A time to express your true feelings to someone without being embarrassed about it."
Chuck Arida, 10

A. "It means tomorrow is Feb. 15."
Rachel Irish, 10

Letters

Jays react to Sounds

To the Editors:
I think there should be more diversity in the music section of the paper.
Christopher Packala

To the Editors:
I've just finished reading Andy Smith's article on U2 that was published in last month's JAY, and I wanted to say that it brought tears to my eyes. I haven't read anything so moving in a long while. I've seen a lot of things in my life, but conviction like his is very rare. I would like to thank him for being so open and honest, and having the courage to stand up for what he believes in.
Karen Widman

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Death takes Sharon Woolen

By ROBIN MITCHELL
JAY Staff Writer

The funeral of 19-year-old Sharon Woolen of Southfield High School was Dec. 13, 1984. She passed away Dec. 8 from an illness she had since she was 12 years old.

Sharon is survived by her parents, Maxeen and Odie Woolen, and a brother, Odie Junior.

Some of Sharon's favorite pastimes were going to movies and out to eat, playing video games and talking on the phone. Her future plans were to be a veterinarian. Sharon's favorite subject was Distributive Education taught by Mr. George Brackx.

Sharon and her mother were best friends. Through Sharon's illness they took one day at a time. "I made Sharon strong," Mrs. Woolen said. "I'm speaking the way Sharon would. She could always come to me with her problems. With my help and her family's, she was able to sustain all that she went through."

When Mrs. Woolen was granted a divorce in 1968, she and Sharon shared their lives. "Sharon made everything seem secondary," Mrs. Woolen said.

"I was very hurt when I found out about Sharon's sickness. What can you do, you accept life as it is. I believe in God and I don't question him," Mrs. Woolen said.

Nobody knew about Sharon's illness except senior Kevin DeLoach, Sharon's best friend, and Mr. Brackx, Sharon's favorite teacher. Besides DeLoach, she did not have any other close friends.

"Sharon didn't want people to know why she was sick because no one would listen before. Sharon did not want pity. It's (her death) not going to be announced because she wouldn't want it to be. It's too late. What's the difference, she's not here anymore," Mrs. Woolen said.

DeLoach did not go to the funeral because Sharon would not have wanted him to. "She would probably say, 'Don't miss school because you might have a test.'"

"Sharon was sweet, considerate,



Sharon Woolen

thoughtful, helpful and respectful," DeLoach said. "She had high morals."

"If you could have one friend when you take your last breath, you're lucky

and Sharon had that one friend, Kevin," Mrs. Woolen said.

"Sharon expected you to be like she was," Mrs. Woolen said. "Sharon would give you her last. If she had a doctor's appointment, she wouldn't keep it if she could do another person a favor, but she in turn would tell you to keep that appointment."

According to Mrs. Woolen, Sharon was hurt by SHS because of the general indifference she felt people had for her. "No one knew (how Sharon felt) because she made everyone else happy when she was really the one that needed the comforting and the support of her schoolmates."

Sharon gave a speech about her sickness in her speech class. She brought in booklets about it and showed them to the teacher.

"I still have a recipe Sharon once gave to me of her grandmother's that I love and still use," speech teacher Mrs. Sandy Sharp said.

"I found out that Sharon never

opened any of her applications for college because she knew what was ahead," Mrs. Woolen said. "I couldn't guess and I wouldn't even want her grade point average to be said because I considered her a straight A student."

Mrs. Woolen said she did not feel sorry for Sharon because she did not want pity. Mrs. Woolen did not expect Sharon to pass right away. Sharon's grandmother was with her at her death. As Mrs. Woolen said, she was not strong enough. However, Mrs. Woolen never left her in thought and spirit, staying days and nights whenever Sharon went to the hospital.

Mrs. Marie Kjolhede was Sharon's counselor. "I tried to follow what I thought were the wishes of her mother," she said. "Sharon will receive a diploma post-humously," Mrs. Kjolhede said.

"Sharon left me early, but we had a lifetime together. When Monday is going bad, I think of Sharon and it ends good. I say I *love* her, never *loved* her," Mrs. Woolen said. □

How should schools respond when a student dies?

By ROBIN MITCHELL
JAY Staff Writer

"When A Student Dies" appeared in the Sunday, Jan. 6, 1985, edition of the Detroit Free Press. The story was written as a result of the accidental deaths over Christmas break of two 15-year-olds who attended Grosse Isle High School. They died of carbon monoxide poisoning while in a hot tub.

Following vacation, before first-hour class began, the Grosse Isle assistant principal related what had happened over the intercom and asked for a moment of silence. The American flag was flying at half-staff for the two girls.

What *should* a school do when a student dies? Just drop the name from the attendance list?

"Not by policy, but by normal procedure, first the principal talks about it

and an announcement should be made. Everyone has to know. The counselor should be involved and depending on the age, the situations are dealt with differently," Southfield Schools Associate Superintendent of Instruction Dr. Beverley Geltner said.

"The death of a student is very painful whether it's by illness or an accident. I think the whole school should know and have a moment of silence. The school should also know for the friends of the person that want to pay their respects and attend the funeral," senior Kenny Johnson said.

"I've been friends with Sharon Woolen since the eighth-grade and finding out a month later that she passed away really hurts me because I feel I had the right to know earlier," Johnson said. "No one knew

and nothing was even done for respect in the school. Something definitely should have been done about this," Johnson added.

Many students in the school have had terrible experiences of a close friend passing away.

Sophomore Enid Solomon's sister died at age 13 from the breakage of a blood vessel in her brain. "I don't think having an announcement to the whole school is necessary but I wouldn't want people to just forget her," Solomon said.

Junior Erik Sedler's close friend Jason Green who went to Southfield-Lathrup died last year when hit by a car as he was walking along a Southfield street. "I think the school should let everyone know something terrible has happened," Sedler said.

Sophomore Chuck Arida's neighbor and close friend committed suicide five years ago. He was a twin and hung himself. "I think what happened was an ugly thing and I feel awful about it," Arida said. "If everyone knew though, it would keep reminding his brother which I think would cause much pain."

Sophomore Pam Eisenberg had a cousin kill himself last year at age 17. "When he shot himself I was really upset and shocked. We were very close. I think everyone should know so that rumors don't start," Eisenberg said.

To many people the word "death" is usually a very disturbing word to think about. To many people it represents the sharp, painful feelings of a lost loved one.

Eight million Americans each year lose a close friend. The death usually disrupts survivors' life patterns for a while and leaves some people more vulnerable to mental illness. Talking about a loved-one's death may be helpful to emotional recovery.

Studies do find that surviving spouses of suicide or car accident victims who talked about the event with others had a smaller increase in health problems a year or more later than people who confided in no one.

Who is to say whether a student death is for everyone to know in the school or not. Different cases call for different action but talking about it helps the people who have lost the loved ones. □

School struck by John Salo's death

"I sensed something different about him. I was impressed by his compassion and caring for other people. I thought he had an incredible amount of potential. I felt he was liked by a large cross-section of people."

This remark was made by Biology teacher Miss Suzanne Robinson in comment on the recent death of junior John Salo. Her feelings are shared by many Southfield High School students and staff members.

Salo was last seen alive leaving a friend's house slightly after midnight on Jan. 30. The Southfield Police Department theorized that while he was returning home he fell and was knocked unconscious. His body was not discovered until 9 am Friday, Feb. 1.

Fellow students were made aware of his death later that Friday. Many people reacted with stunned looks and tears. Several gathered in the PPI office or in the hallways to exchange hugs and feelings. During sixth hour Principal Dan Hogan made an announcement officially informing students of the death and granting permission to leave school early.

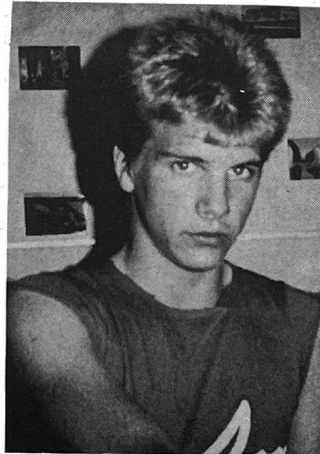
"At first I was shocked," junior Erik Enyedy, a close friend since freshman year swimming, said. "Everything I look at, I see him. I will turn on MTV and see Billy Idol, our favorite musician, or look at a picture of our mohawks. Everything I do reminds me of him. I wish more people could have known him like I knew him. He was a lot more caring and sensitive than most people realized."

"I liked John a lot. I considered him a friend. I'm going to miss him a lot," John's counselor Mrs. Susan Pearce said.

Mr. Hogan said that this incident will help him better deal with student death. He sees John's as "tragic" and "unnecessary." He said that he liked John and hoped that this would help us all to realize that "we are fragile human beings. We have got to take care of ourselves."

Another close friend Stephanie Furman said, "He was the most beautiful person to know. Anyone who knew him, loved him automatically."

Among his activities at SHS, he was involved with the Swim Team in his freshman and sophomore years.

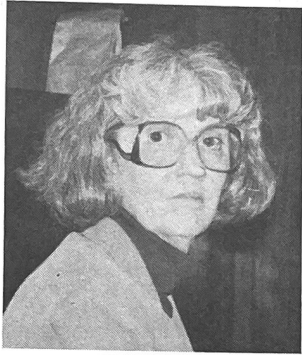


John Salo

"He always gave everything he had to swimming. He was more honest than other swimmers about his decision not to swim this year, which did take some courage," swim coach Robert Harding

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Staff changes herald new semester



Mrs. Rosemond Nelson

Mrs. Nelson replaces Donahue as counselor

After 17 years of teaching in home economics and psychology, Mrs. Rosemond Nelson has replaced the now retired counselor Mrs. Margaret Donahue.

Qualifications for this job include having a master's degree in guidance and counseling. "But the main quality we looked for is people who are going to have empathy with students, which means being able to feel what others are feeling," Principal Dan Hogan explained. "You can't always deal with students on an intellectual level."

Eight candidates were interviewed for this job including Mrs. Christina Cuskie, Mrs. Sandra Sharp and Dr. Philip Helner. "It was a very difficult decision to make. Mrs. Nelson has, over the past several years, done good things with students in school," Mr. Hogan explained. "She has gone to counseling workshops, was the nursery school teacher and has worked with group interaction."

"I have had good relationships with students in the classroom and I have a pretty good understanding of how ideas develop and the problems they have. Plus I enjoy working with adolescents," Mrs. Nelson said.

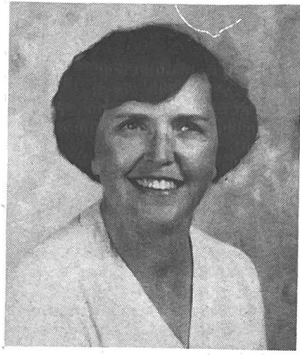
SHS band members go to solo and ensemble festival tomorrow

Tomorrow, 30 of the SHS band members are going to the annual Solo and Ensemble Festival, from 8 am to 5 pm at Birmingham Seaholm High School.

At Solo and Ensemble, students in high or middle school compete in solos, duets or trios. They are judged on their performances with a score of "one" to "five," "one" being the best and "five" the worst. The participants receiving "twos" in the district will be awarded red medals, and those receiving "ones" blue medals. They also qualify for the state competition.

At the state competition, tenth grade and under compete at Proficiency I, eleventh graders get their choice of Proficiency I or II, and twelfth graders get their choice of Proficiency I, II or III.

The solo participants at state level have to play their prepared piece for 50 points, play four scales out of 16 that they have to memorize for 25 points, and sight read a preselected (by the judges) piece for 25 points.



Mrs. Barbara Start

Mrs. Start returns to teaching home ec

Last Jan. 22 Mrs. Barbara Start replaced Mrs. Rosemond Nelson as the meal planning and child development teacher in the home economics department.

Mrs. Nelson is now working as a counselor in the SHS counseling center replacing Mrs. Margaret Donahue.

Hardly a newcomer to SHS, Mrs. Start began teaching here in 1954 and continued to do so until 1960 when she left to raise her five children.

It wasn't until 1975 that she finally returned to what she likes doing best — teaching. Since then, she has taught home economics and science at Thompson, Levey, Birney and SHS before coming back here again to teach Life and Earth Science. Due to district-wide declining enrollments Mrs. Start has had to change schools numerous times.

There are many differences between working in a high school and middle school, which she is quick to point out. "Southfield High is larger and does seem busier. At the middle schools, I was bigger than the students and over here the students are bigger than me."

Tutoring, membership on NHS agenda; March induction set

The process of selecting this year's new members to the National Honor Society has begun. Students who are interested can obtain the forms needed through their counselors or Mrs. Helen McAskin, in the library.

A 3.25 cumulative grade point average is required, along with teacher recommendations and outside activities; such as sports, cheerleading, dramatics, etc. A student must submit three service, two character and two leadership recommendations from at least four different teachers by Monday, Feb. 11. The induction ceremony for the newly chosen members will be Mar. 7.

Tutoring is a major part of the NHS. The students are expected to tutor on Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 pm. Volunteer teachers and parents help the NHS run the tutoring program. Mr. Paul Rubenstein, Mr. Robert Feldman and student, Andrij Karpenko mainly set up the schedules.

The tutoring is offered to everyone. Middle school students are welcome as well as the high school students. This program is free.



Mrs. Patti Sivyer

Mrs. Sivyer becomes Mr. Williams' secretary

Mrs. Patti Sivyer has replaced Ms. Terry Mayle as Assistant Principal Mr. David Williams' secretary in the House O office. Ms. Mayle is now working as Principal Dan Hogan's secretary.

Before working for Mr. Williams, Mrs. Sivyer worked as a substitute secretary a few times last year. This is the first job she has had in nine years. Previously, she was a secretary for the Travelers Insurance Company.

"I enjoy people here because they are so friendly and nice to work with. That's the first thing I noticed here when I was a substitute secretary," Mrs. Sivyer remarked.

The day seems to go by fast for her. "It's very busy here all the time but I don't feel any pressure. I really like working for Mr. Williams because he is real easy to get along with and to work for," she said.

Sfld. Public Library celebrates 25 years

Southfield Public Library celebrates its 25th Anniversary on Sunday, Feb. 10, with an Open House for the general public from 2:30 to 5 pm. The library is located at 26000 Evergreen at the Southfield Civic Center.

Demonstrations of unique library services, such as microcomputers and computer reference service will be featured, as well as a survey of our top quality business reference collection.

Other events planned for the day are designed to amuse all ages from toddlers to senior citizens. For youngsters, a puppet show is scheduled at 4 pm. Music, contests, a roaming robot, free gifts and prizes will all be part of the activities, as well as a birthday party complete with balloons and a giant birthday cake.

Librarians will be on hand to answer questions about special services for senior citizens and young adults.

A special dedication ceremony to name the lower level expansion the Bruce K. Schmidt Wing will begin at 3 pm. Mr. Schmidt was City Librarian from 1967 until he passed away Dec. 10, 1983.

No regular library service will be available during the Open House festivities. The Library will resume regular library service at 9:30 am on Monday, Feb. 11. The Beech Woods Reading Center will also be closed on Sunday, Feb. 10.

Students may live in foreign country as part of YFU program

Calling all area students! Do you want to travel? Would you like to live abroad? How about becoming part of an international family?

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The deadline for registration in the YFU summer and year programs is Apr. 1, 1985. Applications for Australia in January of 1986 will be accepted until Oct. 25, 1985.

Youth for Understanding, one of the largest foreign student exchange programs, is a non-profit international educational organization. The program stresses family living as the heart of the learning experience. YFU students live with a foreign family and become a part of that family, sharing in their daily life and becoming personally involved in a different culture.

Some 2,200 American teenagers will leave next summer for any one of 26 countries. For more information call 1-800-872-0200 or write to the YFU Regional Office at 6264 Dixie Highway, Bridgeport, MI 48722.

Senior class raises money for African relief organization

The Southfield Senior Class and the Southfield Student Forum (SSF) earned over \$150 for CARE, African Relief, in one night's effort through a basketball game concession stand.

The SSF approached Ms. Roberta Feinstein, Senior Class adviser, with the fund raising idea. The idea was put into motion at the Southfield vs. Hazel Park game on Jan. 11. Ms. Feinstein commented that once the people knew who the money was for, they bought more.

In other Senior Class news, sweat shirts are on sale for \$15 per shirt. These funds will be used for the Senior Prom in May. Anyone interested should contact Ms. Feinstein in B-17.

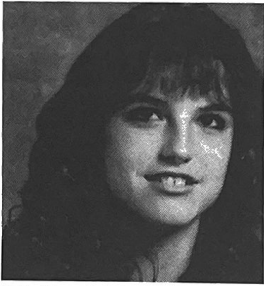
1-to-1 continues second semester

One-to-One, an ongoing program designed for students who would like the special help and motivation of a caring adult staff member, continues under the coordination of faculty member Mrs. Iva Gould.

Many staff members are willing to spend extra time helping students on a one-to-one basis.

Anyone who needs a little extra motivation or even wants to learn how to get along better with others can pick up a One-to-One application form from Mrs. Nelda Dailey in the counseling center and leave it with Mrs. Dailey or in Mrs. Gould's House O mailbox.

Students will be contacted and given more information on how to get involved in "One-to-One."



Alicia Karstofsky

Karstofsky, Sgt. Ayala win 'Super Jay'

January winners of the SSF's (Southfield Student Forum) "Super Jay" and "Super Staff Member" awards were sophomore Alicia Karstofsky and ROTC instructor, Sgt. Daniel Ayala.

The awards are presented to one student and one teacher each month. The winners are decided by the SSF.

Students may recommend a candidate for the award by filling out a recommendation sheet, which can be found in room B-20.

Winners receive a Southfield hooded sweatshirt and free lunch at the Blue Jay Cafe, compliments of the SSF.

SHS vocal department prepares to compete

Southfield High's vocal department will perform for regional and state competitions in March. District competitions were held Feb. 2.

"My main goal is to improve over last year. Some of our main competition

will be Southfield-Lathrup and Royal Oak-Dondero," vocal department director, Mr. Chris Wigent said.

The vocal department's Girls Choir, Madrigals and Concert Choir will hold a spring concert in May.

Madrigals' Charles Gray said, "When we come to class each day we get right to work. We practice real hard, but that's why we're so good."

WSHJ resets schedule

WSHJ has a new schedule this card marking. New disc jockies will be playing a variety of music for Southfield as well as other nearby cities.

Start the afternoon off with WSHJ's 2-4 pm shift. Debbie Schluskel begins the week on Monday. Dave Meixner takes the reins on Tuesday. Shireen Saski is on the airwaves Wednesdays. Sean Henderson plays the tunes on Thursday and Nancy Huffman gets ready for the week-end on Fridays.

Move into the evening with the 4-7 pm shift. Andy Smith fills Monday evenings with "Music For Thinking People". Josh Lieberman can be listened to on Tuesdays. Barb Sigman fills Wednesdays with music. Gayle Starr and Jerry Josen make up the first male/female DJ team in Southfield High's history on Thursdays. And Bill Bingham ends the week on Fridays.

Dave Lerman invades the airwaves with the latest entertainment news on Mondays from 7-10 pm. Rob Endelman and Mark Thomas will stop the mind with their trivia show on Tuesdays. The golden voice of Southfield High, David Carleton, comes through the radio on Wednesdays. The best of progressive music, "Uncommon Ground" with Joe Ginis, will air on Thursdays. And, Nathan Cash livens up Friday nights.

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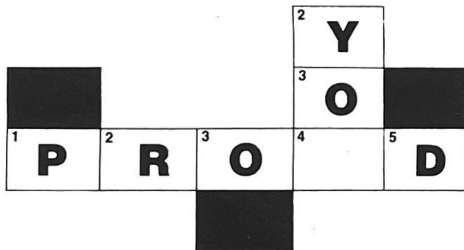
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Are early grads cheating themselves?

By CAROLE GARVIN
JAY Co-Editor

Many students look ahead in anticipation towards their senior year as being "the wildest time of their life."

But every year there are a group of seniors who never experience that part in their life due to the fact that they chose to graduate from school in January.

"I think these students have to have a really good reason to do so, or they cheat themselves out of a good semester. I don't encourage it at all," Principal Dan Hogan said.

Before seniors can graduate from SHS the last day of first semester, they must meet certain requirements. One is a form that must be filled out and signed by an administrator, counselor and parent within ten weeks of leaving.

Seniors must also successfully complete 21 units of credit in order to graduate early. "If I were to stay in school for my last semester, I would be going to class for no purpose since I wouldn't need the extra credits," senior Annette Oliver explained.

"I went to OCC. I felt I was ready to start the next stage of education, which had more worth to the success of my life than the last semester of high school."

This year at SHS, there were 16 seniors who completed school last Jan. 17. "There are not as many students graduating early as there used to be. In the last five years we've had a requirement of 21 credits to graduate," Mr. Hogan explained. "Before that, it was 19 credits and more students graduated early."

Many reasons pertain to the question as to why seniors graduate early, including the need for a vacation. "I'm going to go to travel school in the fall and I wanted a vacation between now and then," Gena Lubnik said.

Vickie Carroll is another senior who didn't want to go to school until June. "Right now I don't have a

job, but I didn't like being in a classroom learning."

"I am tired of getting up in the morning, that is the main reason I'm graduating early. I'll also get to spend more time with my friends and boyfriend, plus, no more homework!" Oliver said.

"I want to get a full time job to put away money for college. I will be going to Central Michigan University next fall if I can get a student loan," April Garrett explained.

Mr. Hogan and Assistant Principal Mrs. Olivia Dyson, regularly talk with students who want to graduate early. "If they are starting college, that is a good reason. If it is just to get out of school, that is not a good reason. Senior year is always remembered and I'm glad I didn't miss out on mine," Mr. Hogan said.

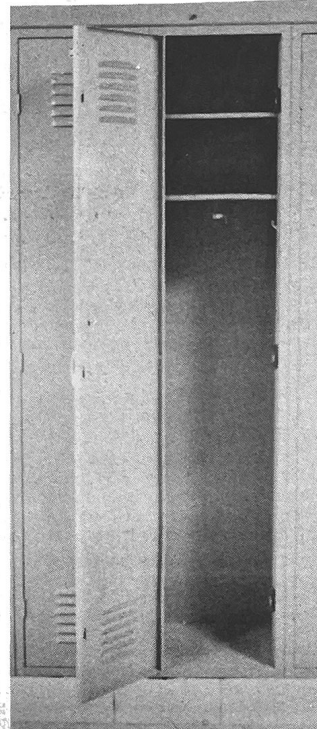
"I have talked with a couple of seniors who wanted to graduate early and I have tried to discourage them because I thought they weren't mature enough," Mrs. Dyson explained. "They had no job but just enough credits to graduate and with no sense of real direction."

Some early graduates in prior years felt a need to continue their education elsewhere. "I went to Oakland Community College. I felt I was ready to start the next stage of education, which because to me, had more worth to the success of my life, than the last semester of high school," Class of '84 student Jason Hill explained. "When you become a senior, that last semester is meant for fun. It has nothing to attribute to later in your success of life."

Hill is now attending the University of Detroit, majoring in English/French, with a minor in communications. "I want to be a writer."

Class of '83 senior Amy Bandelene also attended OCC when she graduated early. "I was going there part-time and holding down two jobs." She is now attending Eastern Michigan University.

Not all seniors who did graduate early wanted to leave the environment of SHS. "I wanted to stay in school, but I was getting married and was busy with planning my wedding," Class of '84 student Clair Garmo explained. "I dropped by school all the time and I still do because I miss it a lot." She is now five months pregnant and is considering taking classes to keep herself occupied.



Gone in January. (Photo by Micah Shawn)

One of the first things a senior considers when making their decision to graduate early, is whether or not they will regret what they are doing. "I don't think there is anything to miss. Most of the people I hung around with already graduated," Lubnik explained. "I could regret it if things don't go well, but as far as I can see, that won't happen."

"This year is not as fun as I thought it would be and all my friends are seniors so I will see them every day," Oliver explained. "If I was involved with some activity, I would be sad to leave, but I'm not."

"I have already gone through 12 years of school and by going a half semester more, it wouldn't make that much dif-

ference," Carroll said.

For Garmo, regret of graduating early overcame her so much, she considered doing something drastic concerning her future. "I really regretted leaving and I still do! I told my husband I wanted to stay and not get married."

"I am tired of getting up in the morning. I'll also get to spend more time with my friends and boyfriend, plus, no more homework!"

"I think students miss out on senior activities that they may not think are meaningful now, but may look back and, in retrospect, may have regrets," Mrs. Dyson explained. "On the other hand, there are those students who have reached a level of maturity in which early graduation is best for them. They really need to move on to other things they consider important."

Hill was one of those students. "I was content with the background SHS had given me but I felt I had to go further, which left me with a feeling of accomplishment for that particular stage in my life."

Regret for leaving school early is hard to get over, but students had mixed feelings about saying goodbye to SHS last Jan. 17. "On the last day I felt relieved and glad. It seemed like June to me even though it's February," Carroll remarked.

"I cried a lot, but I will still see my friends at basketball games and at the prom," Garrett said.

"I felt like crying, but there wasn't anything I could do. It was hard at the time to leave," Garmo sadly remarked.

Although Jan. 17 was the last day for early graduates, there will always be students graduating early, and, for them, these suggestions were made. "I suggest they stay in school and take advantage of their senior year. If they miss it, they're missing something out of their lives," Garmo said.

"Don't let society pressure you into losing touch with your dreams or your goals, for they are the essence of your existence. To lose touch with them is to become a static part of society," Hill said.

New law marks turning point in science, math education

By DON ANDREWS
JAY Staff Writer

The Federal Education for Economic Security Act, also known as the Math/Science bill, was recently signed into a law. "This legislation," according to United States Senator Donald Riegle (D-MI), co-sponsor of the bill, "will mark a turning point in achieving excellence in education."

In addition to signing over \$965 million during the next two years for new grant programs in mathematics and science instruction, this law gives aid for promoting excellence in education and addresses the issue of the right of students to use school facilities for religious and other activities.

This newly passed legislation allows the National Science Foundation (NSF)

to give grants to local educational agencies (school boards) for developmental programs in mathematics and science. Along with this, the NSF can also award Congressional Merit Scholarships to students at institutes of higher learning who "demonstrate outstanding potential for, and who plan to pursue a teaching career in math, science or engineering," Sen. Riegle said.

Also established by this new law is a grant program which will "be great for applying for funds for special programs," Mr. Ray Tulkki, Math department chairman, said. The money will be administered by the NSF to improve the quality of math, science and engineering instruction at the local level.

"The grants will be extremely flexible and may be used for certain education programs, research, equipment pur-

chases and student scholarships," Sen. Reigle said.

The availability of money to state and local agencies and to institutes of higher learning to improve the quality of instruction in math, science, computer training and foreign languages is also established within the new act.

Up to 100 presidential awards will also be given to teachers of the schools each year. At least one from each state, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico must be selected.

One section entitled Excellence in Education Programs authorizes \$16 million in order to "implement educational improvements based on recommendations from the various recent national studies on the excellence in education," Sen. Riegle said.

The final section, the Equal Access Amendment, prohibits schools from denying students the right to meet voluntarily in school buildings so long as the school receives federal funds and generally permits student groups to meet on school grounds for extracurricular activities. These voluntary meetings must be student-initiated and can be religious or political gatherings.

School personnel would be permitted to monitor these meetings, but would be prohibited from active participation in them. Outsiders would also be restricted from regularly attending or leading such a group. Schools would have authority to "protect the well-being of students and faculty" by prohibiting the use of

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Cults draw 2 million youths; Unification Church, 40,000

By JO PARRISH
JAY Staff Writer

Maybe the hippies with their long hair and beads have disappeared but cults and their potential danger have not.

The Citizens Freedom Foundation (CFF) estimates that there are now more than 2,000 cult groups around the country with an estimated two to three million young people involved.

The Unification Church is considered one of the leading cults in the United States. The church's leader is Reverend Sun Myung Moon. He came to the US in 1973. Today he has approximately 40,000 devoted followers in his church in this country alone. Followers abide by the words and practices of Rev. Moon and his bible *The Divine Principle*.

The Divine Principle was supposedly revealed to Rev. Moon by Jesus Christ when Moon was a teenager.

The Moon organization is a multinational empire, comprised of 43 corporations. Some are commercial and the others are tax exempt religious, educational and cultural enterprises.

These corporations along with the 1.4 million dollars his followers fundraise for him every month, make the Unification Church very powerful.

Aside from all the money that is raised, many believe that young lives are being lost to this church. "The Unification Church is a cult, a very dangerous cult. I was almost a full fledged member until I was told what I was getting into," said an SHS graduate who was once involved in the Unification Church.

"Some give candy to children and rape their bodies. Cults give sugar-coated ideas to young adults and rape their minds," stated Rabbi Maurice Davis from New York.

According to the CFF most young people drawn into a cult are between 18-35. They are usually from a middle to upper class family. They are most often stable, idealistic young people who are going through a depression or transition period. The CFF feels that college freshmen and young adults just graduating from high school are the most likely targets.

The CFF states that most often these young people don't realize what they are getting involved in until it is too late.

Indoctrination is the teaching of the Unification Church. It is done in a very indirect way. Typically, the young recruit is invited to a free meal with some warm, idealistic young people. According to CFF these young people identify themselves as religious people but not necessarily members of a cult.

At first, the new recruit is welcomed with a show of flattering interest and after a few free meals invited to a weekend in the country.

"The weekend in the country was like a prison, surrounded by fences and very isolated," said an ex-follower of the Unification Church.

Besides being in an isolated camp, the new recruit is also assigned a host. The host never leaves the new recruit during the entire weekend according to many ex-followers.

"Some give candy to children and rape their bodies. Cults give sugar-coated ideas to young adults and rape their minds."

The new recruit is put through a round of games, singing, cheering, chanting, and long lectures. The atmosphere is "super charged" and the new recruit has no time to think about what they are getting involved in according to an ex-follower.

"I had a lot of questions I wanted to ask about the lectures that I heard, but all my questions were ignored," an ex-follower said.

The usual reply by a cult member when difficult questions are asked is "to wait and all will come clear if they just listen." This is the Unification Church's way of avoiding concerns of doubtful recruits according to the CFF.

The recruit is asked to stay for a full week course and then for a second week. If they stay for two weeks they are most likely to end up joining the Unification Church.

The average length a recruit stays in a cult is 17 months. Deprogramming works 78 percent of the time. Deprogramming is defined as the illegal process of forcibly abducting members from the cult and presenting them with undesirable facts about the church's activities.

A court case recently concluded in the Oakland County Circuit Court involving two sisters who were forcibly confronted by deprogrammers. One sister claimed she was a "born-again Christian" and not a member of a cult. The deprogrammers believed that the girls were followers of the Unification Church. The deprogrammers were found not guilty. This case is viewed with importance as it will probably define parents' rights in matters of cult membership.

Whether or not the Unification Church and its practices are both factual and acceptable is one's own choice. But according to the CFF and ex-followers the way this cult recruits young members is unacceptable and the laws against deprogramming should be altered in favor of the families who have lost a child to the cult.

At this moment Rev. Moon is serving time in prison for tax evasion but this has not affected the Church follower's determination.

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Wiz performers 'ease down road' to spring musical

By **GAYLE STARR**
JAY Staff Writer

Each year when the spring musical is announced many students consider auditioning and then quickly abandon the idea. But when it was announced that Southfield's 26th Annual Spring Musical would be *The Wiz* many novice performers auditioned and made it.

These "would be" performers decided that this was the year to overcome their nervousness and take a chance. Why was this year any different from other years? 1985 is the year of *The Wiz*.

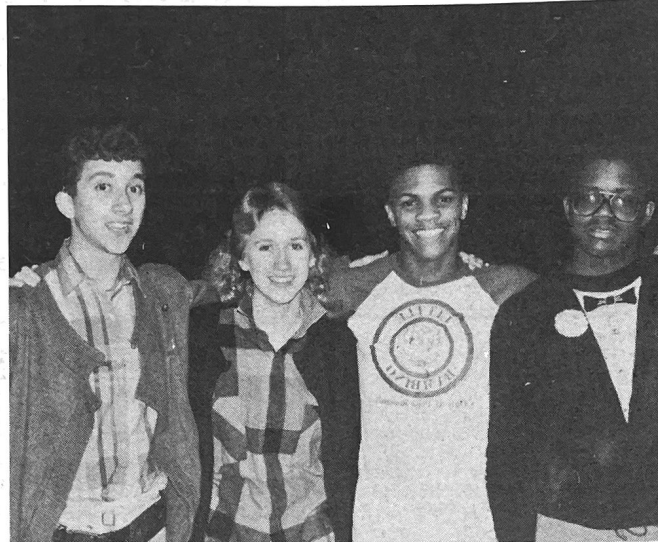
"I saw the movie *The Wiz* and I loved it so much that I wanted to do the stage play," Natasha Jameson (Glinda) remarked. "I figured I had nothing to lose so I tried out."

"Kenny Johnson (Lord Underling) and Doug McCollough (Lion) told me to try out just for the heck of it," Joe Peoples (Tinman) commented. "So I did. I figured this was my senior year so I'd do it now. You know, go for the gusto."

But the work really starts once the part has been secured. Ten weeks of rehearsals begin to make a lion, a tinman or even a wicked witch out of a high school student.

"It's going to be hard because it's something new," Peoples speculated. "I know there's going to be a lot of time and work involved."

It's very easy to get intimidated or even discouraged while doing something for the first time. The important



Scarecrow (Jon Carver), Auntie Em (Tracy George), Tin Man (Joe Peoples) and Lion (Doug McCollough) will star with Dorothy (Alisa Carver) in the upcoming SHS production of *The Wiz*. (Photo by Micah Shawn)

thing is to put these feelings in the past and do the best job possible.

"When you go out on stage everyone is in the same boat. We all have butterflies and everything," Jameson stated.

"I think the people who've done this

before have an advantage," Peoples said. "They know Mrs. Borts and they're not as nervous on stage. . . I was scared to death when I tried out."

"I love the fact that all these new kids are getting involved," director Virginia Borts commented. "The more kids that get involved the more that will love theater. I don't expect it to be the only thing that everyone's involved in. It's just an avenue open for all kids to explore."

Too many avenues in one person's life, however, could cause a serious traffic jam. "Track could cause a problem," Peoples said, "but most of the meets are after the shows over and I can do a lot of practicing on my own. I can't give up track though. I've come a really long way in it and according to last year's statistics, I should be number one in the county this year."

"I plan to do both track and the play," Jameson added. "I couldn't give either one up. I love them both so I'll just have to figure a way to do both."

Some people wonder if the play is actually worth all the time and trouble that goes into it. The audience can judge for themselves during the performances. They will be on March 22 and 23 and March 29 and 30 with an additional in school performance. □

Smith wins King essay contest

By **ROBIN MITCHELL**
JAY Staff Writer

The local celebration of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday took place at Southfield-Lathrup High School in Lathrup Village last month.

The evening began at 6 pm with a Gospel Choir followed by a movie about Dr. King's life, entitled "I Have A Dream."

The three winners of the "What Martin Luther King Means to Me" essay contest were announced at the celebration. They were Kristen Lewis from Adler Elementary School, Brian Kalt from Birney Middle School and Andy Smith from Southfield High School.

Each winner read their essay aloud and received a \$50 savings bond and certificate.

"I can't really describe how it felt when I won because I just got up there, read my essay and almost had to fight back my tears because I was so moved when I wrote it," Smith said. "I got a standing ovation and afterwards, all these women I didn't know came up and gave me hugs and told me how terrific I was."

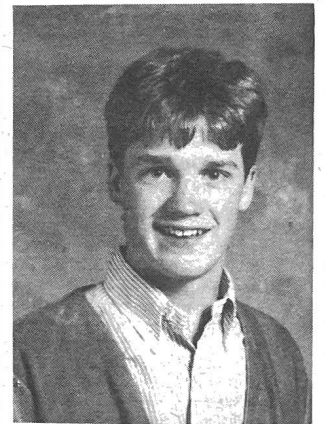
"I didn't write it because I wanted to get appreciation, I wrote it because I care about Rev. King strongly. My essay just reaffirmed that my feelings were positive and good to have about such a hero," Smith added.

There were over 100 entries in all.

National Director, NAACP Voter Education Mr. Joseph Madison was the guest speaker.

"Mr. Madison told an outstanding speech and a real great story about a meeting between Michael Jackson and the President," Smith said. "The story went like this:

"Mrs. Regan said, 'Michael, could you teach the President how to dance?'



Andy Smith

"Well, gee, Mrs. Reagan, what dance would you like to teach him?" Michael asked.

"Well, how about the Moon Walk?" "What is the Moon Walk?"

"Mr. Reagan, it's a dance where it looks like you're going forward but you're really going backwards," Michael answered.

Mr. Reagan replied, "Well, that shouldn't be too hard, I've been doing that for four years!"

On the serious side, Mr. Madison was critical of Michael Jackson as he does not believe that Jackson sets a good example for young blacks. Mr. Madison found fault with the way the singer dressed while attending White House ceremonies.

Mr. Madison also made it clear that it is time to break down the barrier between the suburbs and city and for people of Detroit and everywhere else to unite. "It's 1985, let's get to it." □

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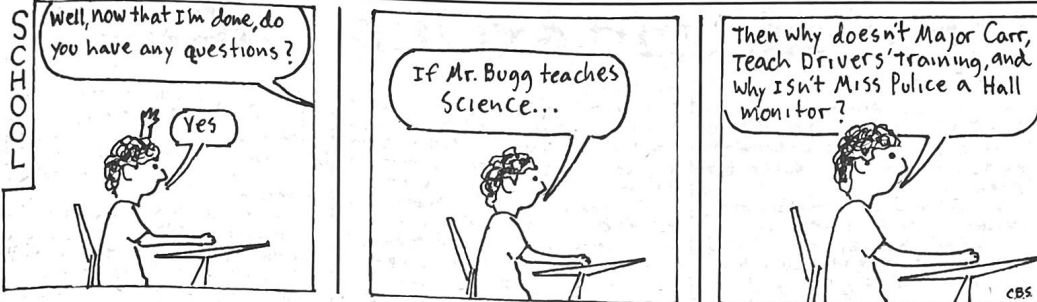
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Shield's, Papa R's pizza rank the best

By DON ANDREWS
JAY Staff Writer

With Papa Romano's and Shield's right there too, choosing the best pizza was a hard thing to do. I compared the prices, from greatest to least small pizzas with cheese, one topping and yeast. Buscemi's was cheapest at \$4.94 and Shield's came next, with just six cents more. At \$5.20 Papa's was third and with the second highest prices, Little Caesar's was heard. Domino's came last at \$7.26. If their pizza was bad, they would be in a fix. While Buscemi's and Shield's both make them square, Little Caesar's and Domino's deliver in pairs. Now Buscemi's and Domino's deliver for free. Little Caesar's gives out no delivery. Papa Romano's and Shield's deliver too but it will cost you at least a dollar or two. While price is important, I got them all free, so taste is what really mattered to me. Buscemi's was the worst of the bunch but it beat by far, any school lunch. Little Caesar's came next, although it was nice, it had enough cheese, but very little spice. Domino's was good, yet cheap on the cheese, but their spices could bring a king to his knees. The last two competitors are Shield's and Romano's. Both are masters and can be called "Italianos." When looking at cheese, Shield's puts on half-a-pound and Papa Romano's "slaps on a whole mound." I could take a chance, and rank one most high, but I'll stand on the fence and call it a tie.

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said. John worked at the Little Ceasars Pizza Station on Telegraph Road for the past five months. According to John's manager Mike Nagel, John was a good worker and a "real honest" person.

Often noticed by other students due to his appearance, John wore a leather jacket and twice had his hair cut in a mohawk. His haircut cost him his job temporarily at Little Ceasars. "I admired his gumption," Nagel said. "He was rebellious in a peaceful way."

"I was someone who John could talk to because I accepted the real John. I

didn't see the leather jacket," senior Steve Counoyer, who knew John for the past nine years and was a close friend of his for the last three, said. "He was looking for a way for people to accept him. Look at all the people he touched. He was my brother."

"I loved him," freshman Rich Werstine said. Werstine had become a close friend of John's in the last two months. "He pulled me out of a lot of things. We both had problems and helped each other out. There are no words to describe how I feel right now. He deserved better."

John is survived by his parents Frederick and Patricia Salo and a brother Bill.

(Compiled by JAY staff members.)

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SHS girls find modeling exciting pastime

By ERIKA HUYCK
JAY Staff Writer

Does meeting the man in the Calvin Klein underwear ad sound interesting? How about being in a Jordache jeans commercial or in the January issue of Teen magazine?

These are some of the experiences a few girls at SHS have had while modeling in their spare time.

Some of the girls got into modeling through contests or teen fashion boards at stores, but Laura Armenio started modeling after she was "discovered" while shopping at Northland.



A woman saw Armenio getting out of her car. When she got back from shopping there was a note on her windshield that said the woman was looking for new talent.

"My mother called her and set up an interview at the Renaissance Center," Armenio said. She was one of 15 girls chosen from hundreds to model with the Marce Hancy Agency.

It is not always that easy to get into modeling. Lynn McKinney and Alisha Lowery were two people chosen for the Fairlane Town Center fashion panel after they tried out "in front of a thousand people" Lowery said.

They chose people who could "relate to the audience, looked like they felt good and were having fun," Lowery said. Only 30 of the models made the fashion board.

"I was really nervous all day of the show — I was so scared," Lowery said. Runway modeling may be unnerving but Lowery says she "likes it a lot because we're close to the audience. It's a great feeling when they're right there. It's kind of exciting."

Diana Legel also agrees. "It's exciting to see yourself in the public eye and get a little notoriety."

She started modeling by going to a professional photographer to create a composite of photos to send to agencies.

Legel has been in Metropolitan Detroit and in the January issue of Teen magazine as a semi-finalist in their cover girl contest.

"I didn't even know I was in it until a customer at my work said they saw me in Teen and that I was a semi-finalist," Legel said.

As well as providing some personal acclaim, "the best thing about modeling is meeting people like the top models who come in from New York," Kathy Smith said.

She modeled in a show at Twelve Oaks Mall that was narrated by Wanakee Puth, a Vogue model. Smith also works on a fashion committee at Northland that is run by the Detroit News model Constantina.

Meeting people is something Debbie Schlusel likes about modeling for Saks Fifth Avenue at Somerset Mall. Modeling in the same fashion show as a male Calvin Klein model, being on Good Afternoon Detroit and Kelly and Company are some experiences Schlusel has had.

Modeling can be enjoyable for other reasons. "It is very similar to acting," Nicole Castelle explains. "In the clothes you wear you're supposed to project a certain image, play a certain character. For one show you may be dressed in a sequin evening dress, with your hair up — total glamour. In another show you might be dressed in coveralls, pony tails and gym shoes and be expected to portray a 14-year-old having fun. I really enjoy it."

Often in modeling it is necessary to photograph on location. This is something Legel finds most exciting. "When we went on location at Hart Plaza or in Birmingham people would watch. They'd stop on the street and gather around. I used to be scared with all the people, now it makes it fun. One little girl even asked me for my autograph. I'm not famous or anything, but it was cute.

"I like modeling because it's exciting to see yourself in the public eye," Legel explained. "I really don't look at the money as it has nothing to do with why I like to model," she said.

The idea of making \$75 or more an hour, as professional models earn, can look very interesting, but beginning models usually get \$25-\$50 for a fashion show.

"Honestly, money was one reason I was interested in modeling. I want a Firebird desperately," Armenio said.

Sometimes models are paid with gift certificates, clothes discounts or are given the clothes they have modeled.

"To model on the Teen Board is kind of a privilege, so we don't get paid for their shows," Lowery said.

Schlusel agrees that Saks also considers some of the modeling as a privilege. She gets other benefits, though, such as free haircuts and make-overs in the Saks salon before a fashion show.

Schlusel started modeling after taking a fashion and health class at Saks. The teacher chose her to be on the teen board which models in the store and at fashion shows.

"Modeling is a good experience but it's not a steady job. School is most important for a career and college," Schlusel said.

"I don't have the right look or the height to become a professional model but I like to model once in a while for fun," she said.

Legel plans to become a professional model, as a career. "It is something I'm aiming for but not depending on," she explained. She plans to go to college and may study in the area of psychology.

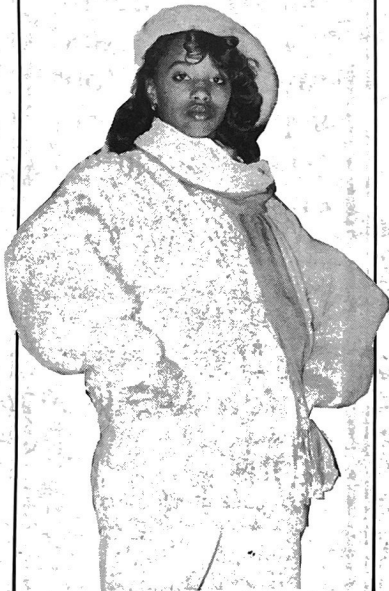
"My mom has me save the money I make from modeling. I also have a part time job because she wants me to know the responsibility of a regular job," Legel said.

Castelle plans to model "as a part time career. I want to study psychology or communications," she said.

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(From l to r) - Alisha Lowery (freshman), Nicole Castelle (senior), Lynn McKinney (junior), Kathy Smith (junior), Beth Ferstenfeld (freshman).



Spring brings new style

By ERIKA HUYCK
JAY Staff Writer

"The weather outside might be frightful but spring clothes are here and should be "quite delightful."

February's fashion forecast advice comes from Jacobson's in Birmingham, and the Miss J department manager, Miss Sally Thomas. She says main looks to keep in mind for spring are "playfulness, femininity and sophistication".

Color is the key for spring. Pastels are whitened (pale banana, apricot, mint green). Brights are true rich colors (fuschias, oranges, reds, yellows).

Go ahead and mix colors, pastels with brights — try an apricot skirt with a bright yellow shirt.

Citrus colors are new and big for spring. Fashionable fruity colors are kiwi, tangerine, mango, lime and chartreuse.

Look for pastels, brights and citrus colors in polka dots or abstract floral

prints on fabrics.

Rayon and sateen fabrics dominate, often used with contrasting fabrics like cotton or linen.

Balance is best for clothes in spring. Whether it is fuller bottoms and long lean tops or the opposite, it is balance that counts. Spring pants will be "too long" — wide at the ankle with a longer break. Shorts go full to the knee.

Miss J's Miss Thomas summarizes the ins and outs for Spring '85:

GONE: Neon, hi-tops, wide belts, striped denim, multi-pocketed pants, black, smock-type dresses, head wraps, holes in clothings, matching, androgyny, assymetry.

HERE: Ribbed knits, marbelized prints, boxy unconstructed jackets, citrus colors, rayon, color mixing, platform shoes, denim trimmed with tapestry prints, nautical looks, body-fitting clothes, big buttons, navy, prison looks, pajama looks.

Neon fashion keeps its glow

By GAYLE STARR
JAY Staff Writer

Get out the sunglasses! Neon fashions have hit the Detroit area. It's almost impossible to miss them. Just walk through any shopping mall until you see a blinding flash of light. Then you have found the right department.

Neon fashions hit the Midwest around August and the stores on the coast even earlier. One of the first stores to carry them in the Detroit area was the Limited Express.

"Something new will come in and then it'll go out," Sandy (the manager of Northland's Limited Express) said. "But neon fashions have really caught on because they're bright and there's a lot you can do with them. You can wear a whole neon outfit or just a little as an accent.

"I like neon because it's cool," Beth Sedler stated. "I like to dress differently from other people."

Neon is different. This difference could cause problems. "I feel really flashy in neon when everyone else is wearing dull colors," Lisa Marcus commented. "But I just keep wearing it".

"Neon can look really bad if you wear it too much or if you wear it wrong,"

Sedler said, "Somebody wearing neon pink or orange and green together just won't look right."

Whether neon is worn tastefully or not, it is sure to attract attention. There are always stares and more often than not comments which range from "how cool" to "Somebody turn off the lights and see if she glows in the dark". This attention could make it difficult to wear these clothes once they've gone out of style.

"I guess when they go out of style I'll just give them away," Marcus remarked.

"I'll keep them in my closet," Sedler stated. "Some of them I can still wear. The earrings wouldn't look bad and I have a shirt I'll wear again because it's not so bright."

Neon wearers don't have to worry about throwing away their clothes just yet. According to Sandy from Limited Express the neon trend should last about another year and a half. But there is still hope for the person who wants to be stylish without looking like a flashlight.

"We carry many stylish clothes in softer colors," Sandy commented. "Just pick the kind of look that you feel comfortable in," she advised.

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Waterboys' Scott sings of 'anti-materialism' with sweeping sound



Sounds

by Andy Smith

Mike Scott brought the big music of the Waterboys to Detroit in support of the 1984 U2 tour. The Waterboys have two compelling discs, the EP "The Waterboys" and a new LP "A Pagan Place". The music's mood and sound beautifully reflect the message, which according to Scott "is what we try to do. We don't always succeed, but we often come close."

The Waterboys have always come more than close enough for me, but a live set of more obscure songs did not get the somewhat rude Fox Theatre crowd very interested. The Clevelanders were more taken by the sweeping sound of guitars and brass, led by Scott on guitar and Anthony Thistlewaite on saxophone.

The Waterboy's first caught my attention when they were mentioned as one of Bono's favorites in Rolling Stone. The EP attached me to The Waterboys with the anti-war anthem "I Will Not Follow" and the ode to Patti Smith, "A Girl Called Johnny." The album continued to thrill me with "A Church Not Made With Hands" and "Red Army Blues," the former inspired by Mother Nature and the latter by a book that Scott had read. The songs have a social concern and spiritual sense that appealed to my heart from the first listen.

"... She is everywhere and no place / when its dark and evening falls / she

moves among men / they would seek to have her as a prize / but she is in the shadows / ocean and the sand / everywhere and noplac / her church not made with hands..." (from "A Church Not Made With Hands")

"When I left my home and my family / my mother said to me / it's not how many Germans you kill that counts / it's how many people you set free... I saw my first American / he looked a lot like me / had the same kind of farmer's face / said he came from someplace / called Hazard, Tennessee..." (from "Red Army Blues")

As the chance came to talk with Scott, I wondered about his political views and whether or not he considered himself a spiritual person.

"No (he did not consider himself a spiritual person), but that doesn't mean I'm not one," he explained. "I'm an 'anti-materialist,' and I like all progressive ecological parties, like the Green Party in West Germany."

Scott, who hails from Scotland originally and now makes his home in London, has known that he wanted to express himself through music since he was around ten. He even put out a "fanzine" (a fan magazine) during punk's early years. He has been influenced by many artists, especially Bob Dylan, Patti Smith and Van Morrison.

I left Mike Scott as an inspired and



Waterboys 'anti-materialist' frontman, Mike Scott

aspiring young artist contemplating what it meant to be an "anti-materialist" in America. I have heard "the Big Music" and have met a musician who does not mind being the friend of a fan.

New music fans rank best, worst of 1984

A recent and informal poll of "new music" enthusiasts for my radio show "Music For Thinking People" produced the following results in the categories of Best Album, Best Single/Song, Most Aggravating Song and Biggest Disappointment of 1984.

Best Album

1. Reckoning — REM
2. The Unforgettable Fire — U2
3. Soul Mining — The The
4. My Ever Changing Moods — The Style Council
5. Ocean Rain — Echo and the Bunny-men
6. Suicidal Tendencies — Suicidal Tendencies

7. This Is What You Want... — Public Image Ltd.
8. Welcome to the Pleasure Dome — Frankie Goes To Hollywood
9. A Pagan Place — The Waterboys
10. All the Rage — General Public

Best Song

1. Pride (in the Name of Love) — U2
2. People Are People — Depeche Mode
3. Free Nelson Mandela — Special AKA
4. My Every Changing Moods — The Style Council
5. Tenderness — General Public
6. The Unforgettable Fire — U2

7. Peace In Our Time — Elvis Costello
8. Bad — U2
9. Uncertain Smile — The The
10. Heaven Knows I'm Miserable Now — The Smiths

Most Aggravating Song (the worst of the worst)

1. Wild Boys — Duran Duran
2. any Cyndi Lauper song
3. any Ratt song
4. Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go — Wham
5. The Reflex — Duran Duran

Biggest Disappointment

1. The Jacksons' tour
2. Thompson Twins concert
3. X concert

Upcoming events... Violent Femmes concert tomorrow night at the Michigan Theatre in Ann Arbor. The Smiths and The Alarm are expected to make stops in Detroit this April. Other acts that should play the Motor City in the near future are PIL, Bronski Beat and Big Country. Also, UB40 will be in A2 on Wednesday, Mar. 6, and U2 will return, Mar. 23 and 24.

In concert

Aerosmith rocks Detroit once more

By TIM McGRATH
JAY Guest Writer

EDITOR'S NOTE: After entertaining many requests that the SOUNDS section of the JAY cover more than one "type" of music, we are now accepting brief pieces, such as album or concert reviews that cover funk, heavy metal, classical, jazz, top 40 or any other "type" of music. This review of the Aerosmith concert was contributed by Tim McGrath.

WHEN LIGHTNING STRIKES, Aerosmith in concert (with Autograph) at the Joe Louis arena.

The opening act, Autograph, put on a fairly good show, but the sound system needed improvement. However, they were there to get the crowd going, and in their short set they certainly accomplished that.

After a surprisingly short intermission and set change, Aerosmith stormed the stage with a revamped sound system. They kept the crowd on its feet for most of the show with strategically placed favorites such as "Dream On," "Walk This Way," "Same Old Song and Dance" and "Sweet Emotion." They also played a couple of songs from Joe Perry's solo album.

Several fantastic solos by drummer Joey Kramer and guitarist Perry were performed and punctuated by stunning lights. The overall effect was awesome, proving that the reunited Aerosmith is, indeed, "Pack in the Saddle Again."

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Despite dual defeats, cagers continue to climb

By ANDY SMITH
JAY Co-Editor

The Southfield Blue Jay Basketball Team suffered two defeats in the much-anticipated matchups against perennial powers Highland Park and Flint Northwestern. Highland Park surprised the favored Blue Jays 70-59 while the Northwestern Wildcats caused the Southfield faithful to wish for a McCaskill or a Walker in a slam dunk exhibition in which they handled the boys in blue, 80-61.

Southfield, who escaped a close call against Ferndale, 82-80, has had a considerable amount of trouble living up to their pre-season potential as seen through the local press.

"I don't doubt that we are one of the best teams in the state when we play as a team," head coach Mr. Greg Sliwka said. "We have not been able to play with any consistency. If we don't wake up pretty soon, we will have trouble winning the league and will face major difficulties in the state tournament."

Against Ferndale, the Blue Jays came out of the blocks with a kind of teamwork and intensity that they needed to beat a team as tough as the Eagles. The team held a lead, hit their shots and had the breaks, including one leading to a Ron Austin slam dunk. Towards the end of the first half the team began to let up a bit and a fired-up Ferndale almost took it from them in the second half.

"We step on teams, but we don't keep our foot down," senior guard Kenny Hollie said.

The Blue Jays not only picked their foot up against Highland Park, they loosened the grip so much that the Highland Park squad capitalized and came out on top.

"I do not think that we were ready for Highland Park," Mr. Sliwka said. "I think that everything in that game went their



Blue Jays rebound in 81-63 victory over Bloomfield Hills Andover

way. They played their best game of the year."

"We were overconfident," junior guard Rod Hurst said. "I think this game helped us by letting down all of the egos on our team. I don't think we have played up to our ranking, but we are one of the best teams in the state."

The Jays traveled to Flint for the challenge of the regular season against the defending Class A State Champion Northwestern Wildcats. At press time the Wildcats were ranked

#1 in the state by all polls and #4 in the nation by USA Today along with a 9-0 record going into the contest. Southfield brought a #5 state ranking in the Free Press along with an 8-1 win-loss mark into the game. The Blue Jays could not get a thing together in the first half as the Wildcats just plain outclassed Southfield. The Flint chapter of the Phi Slamma Jamma fraternity ran up a 52-16 halftime lead with five booms in the first half alone. The home crowd was uncontrollably excited while the home team could seemingly do no wrong.

Wildcat coach Grover Kirkland brought a team to play that was bigger, better and on their game. Each of the starters, Andre Rison, Michael Avery, Daryl Miller and especially highly recruited 6'7" senior forward Glen Rice and nationally recognized 6'3½" junior forward Anthony Pendleton, played his role in the victory.

The second half showed some promise as Mr. Sliwka gave many of the substitutes valuable playing time against the somewhat relaxed Northwestern starters. Sophomore Clarence McMurray contributed 16 points in the losing effort while senior Tyrone Green added 15 points and Southfield's only entry in the slam dunk competition. Ron Coleman, Darryl Gray and Ramsey Hardy (who put in 10 points), also got an opportunity to play in this big game.

The game between two highly respected high school teams brought out numerous college coaches and scouts, most seeing what their recruits at Northwestern could do in a big game. The crowd included personnel from Minnesota, DePaul, UCLA, USC, Iowa, Iowa State, U of M, Michigan State, Duke and Purdue. Wolverine coach Mr. Bill Frieder saw the game as an outstanding performance by the Wildcats instead of a collapse by the Blue Jays.

"This was a tough game for Southfield," Mr. Frieder said. "Northwestern played so well that it does not mean that Southfield is not a good team because they are."

The Jays travel to Berkley tonight to take on the Bears and will face Ferndale once again in one week. The State playoffs will roll around very shortly beginning with Districts on March 4.

"Something has to be done," senior captain Vince Baldwin said. "We need to improve for the state tournament. Right now we are not improving." □

Varsity pucksters strive to keep winning tradition alive

By BOBBY ELLIS
JAY Sports Writer

The Varsity Hockey Team, after struggling for the first half of the 1984-85 season, is now well on their way to becoming one of Southfield's best hockey teams in recent years. SHS has no seniors on this year's team, and this the lcers feel, is the key.

The Varsity Squad started out the season on a sour note by losing to Livonia Stevenson with a final score of 9-2. The lcers continued to struggle as they were badly beaten in their next game against Bloomfield Hills Andover, 11-1. As the season wore on the Jays continued to improve as they were edged by Southfield Lathrup 7-5, and were barely beaten 5-4 by Livonia Bentley. Their first victory came at the beginning of the new year as they skated to an 11-8 victory over Bloomfield Hills Lahser. Standouts in the game were captains Jay Jewett and Brian Chaput who had six and five points respectively. Other contributions were made by Bobby Ellis who had a five point night and Kevin Galin who had four.

As the season continues, the Jays must look ahead to their Feb. 13 game against Bentley and their final home appearance of the season Feb. 21 against Milford. The game against Bentley, the second and final game of

their two game series, is expected to be an enjoyable one.

"If we can go in to Livonia and beat them on their home ice I won't be surprised," head coach John MacFarlan said. "Our team is much better than we have shown. Getting beat by five and six goals is ridiculous. We shouldn't be losing those games, we should be winning!"

"If the students at Southfield High can bear with us through our hard times, I guarantee we will reward them in the next two years. We have a good crop of players coming up through our system and better yet, we have no seniors," captain Chaput explained.

"In the next two years we are going to make a run for the league title. We were a bit cocky this year but we have learned our lesson. I think we can become one of Southfield's best teams," captain Todd Crawford said.

In recent years, Southfield's best hockey team was their league champion 1983-84 squad. Led by seniors Ken Chaput, John Galuardi, Jim Muszynski, Doug Olree and Tom Bucknell, Southfield won its first ever Suburban Prep Hockey League title with an overall record of 23-1-1. On their league winning team, three All-Staters were named in Chaput, Galuardi and Olree. This year's team thinks they too, with hard work and



Southfield players huddle in congratulations after scoring a goal over Lathrup. S-LHS beat the Jays 11-4, however. Pictured are Kevin Galin, Paul St. Angelo, Jay Jewett, Brian Chaput and Erin Porter.

ambition can also bring winning ways back to the SHS hockey program.

"We have really matured as a team," assistant coach Jack Tucker stated. "I think we are a lot better than we have performed. I think if we work a little bit harder and possibly strengthen a few weak spots we can become a contending

hockey team. What we really need is a few more able bodies."

"Thank God graduation will not hurt us," sophomore goalie James Rose said. "If we can cut down on the goals against us, we will do fine. Our offense is great. It's our defense that is kinda shaky," he added. □

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Essentially Ellis

by Bobby Ellis

Ellis argues MSU vs. U of M

... John Floto, a former SHS student who now resides in Fort Worth, TX, is by far our school's number one long distance fan. Not only does he faithfully watch the local news for anything that directly relates to Detroit sports teams, but he is a loyal subscriber to the Southfield JAY.

... I would like to extend a special thanks to the entire Cheerleading squad here at Southfield High. On Jan. 31 while our Varsity Hockey Team played host to city rival Southfield-Lathrup "in the freezing Beechwoods Arena" members from all three squads were on hand to root our boys to victory. The final score was a "chilling" for SHS.

... Vincent Bean, a 1980 graduate of Southfield High, after recently playing in the Holiday Bowl in San Diego, CA as a wide receiver for the flamboyant Michigan Wolverines, was quoted as saying that playing for Bo Schembeckler and the U of M squad was a good experience. Bean, who ranks fourth on the All-Time list of receivers in U-M history with 93 receptions, went on to say he wouldn't have gone anywhere else. Score one for the U of M fans.

... After recently attending the Great Lakes Invitational College Hockey Tournament at Joe Louis Arena in early January, I watched the number one ranked Michigan State Spartans defeat the Michigan Tech Huskies by a score of 7-0. I guess it is just another great reason why Michigan State is the University of Michigan. Score one for the MSU fans.

... The Varsity Basketball Team, after jumping out to an unblemished 7 and 0 record, are well on the way to another SMA championship. Led by Ken Hollie, Tyrone Green, Rod Hurst and Ron

Austin, the Jays, using speed and finesse, are out to raise their state rank of fourth by the end of the season. (Leave room for one more line of type)

... Hockey fans, there is no need to worry. Before our 1984-85 season comes to an abrupt end, you still have a chance to see the Varsity lcers in action. Feb. 21 the Jays will play host to Milford High School at 8 pm. Let's come out and end the season with a bang.

... Franklin Jewett, SHS graduate and the record holder for men's diving, is well on his way to becoming a college superstar. Frank, who received a diving scholarship to the University of North Carolina, is not only diving well but he is enjoying college life. If I am not mistaken, Frank has met just about every girl within a 20 mile radius of campus.

... In my opinion Jay Jewett is the busiest athlete at SHS. Jay, who in the fall can be found in the Blue Jay backfield with the company of Torn Dorn wearing number 11, or in the winter can usually be found doing skating drills at Beechwoods Arena behind the jersey labeled '10' or during the spring can be found wearing jersey number 8 in either center field or playing shortstop for the Varsity Baseball Team, is some sort of machine. Well Jay, if you survive the rest of your high school career, good luck in college.

... Department Of Something To Look Forward To: In the June edition of the Southfield JAY, the JAY sports staff will continue the ongoing tradition of naming Blue Jay All-Sports Teams. Just another reason why the JAY is an award winning paper.

Beverly, Vecchioni grapple to greatness

By **BOBBY ELLIS**
JAY Sports Writer

After being slammed and pinned with their backs against the mat, the 1985 Varsity Wrestling Team is now well into their grueling season.

The beginning of the year started with a major change. Mr. Cal Fletcher, long-time wrestling head coach, stepped down from the post because of commitments which included the Varsity Football head coaching position. Taking over for Mr. Fletcher was Mr. Mark Uhlman, an established coach.

The wrestlers, along with the Southfield athletic staff feel Mr. Uhlman is doing fine with the team.

"I think he is doing a great job," first-year wrestling Marty Erhart said. "I sure am glad I decided to get into wrestling," he added.

"We are really lucky to have him," Athletic Director Fred Goldberg said. "He is doing a tremendous job with the kids."

This year's Varsity squad is led by

captains Tony Vecchioni and Steve Beverly. At press time both captains remained undefeated. Another standout this season is returner Mike Vermiglio who last year was named most improved wrestler. This season, the grapplers feel, could be an interesting one.

"Hazel Park is the powerhouse this year," Beverly stated. "If we can beat them we have a great chance at the SMA."

In upcoming matches the Blue Jay matmen are pitted against the entire Southeastern Michigan Association in the SMA championships which are being held tomorrow. The wrestling squad feels that they too, with hard work can be a driving force in the SMA.

"They have a decent chance in the SMA," Mr. Goldberg said. "If they work hard they could possibly finish in the top three."

The grapplers are doing everything in their power to continue the tradition of a winning season. Now, with the guidance of their new head coach, a terrific season may well be within their grasp.

Thomas plans rebuilding season

By DON ANDREWS
JAY Staff Writer

"Our service was terrible," explained Varsity Volleyball coach Kevin Thomas, over the major downfall of the team's loss during their first game against Ferndale. The Blue Jay spikers lost the first two games by the same score, 15-2.

Thomas was assigned the coaching position by SHS Athletic Director Mr. Fred Goldberg. "I've coached both the 1982 and '83 freshmen football teams and that's how he knew me," Thomas said. "At first I wasn't crazy about the offer but when he explained to me that he needed someone to rebuild the program, I said 'OK'."

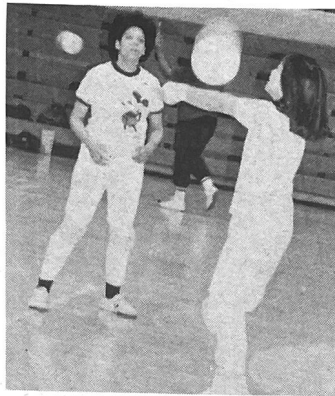
Thomas did not walk into the position haphazardly. Not until taking an instructional session on volleyball at Western Michigan and talking to many coaches around the league did he take over the team.

Returning Varsity player Bobby Gant was immediately impressed by her new coach. Her first thought was, "We finally have someone who knows what they're doing."

Gant also has to help out with coaching the virtually all-rookie team. "I tell them that they shouldn't worry when they make a mistake and to just work harder so it doesn't happen again."

"The backcourt is definitely our strong point," Thomas bragged of starters Irene Atento, Camille Andy and Deidra Watkins.

Yet while the backbone of the team is the backcourt, the Achilles Heel of the squad seems to be inexperience. "We



The Southfield Girls Volleyball Team is under new coaching this year with few returning players. Team members keep practicing — hoping to make perfect. (Photo by Micah Shawn)

only have two returning players from Varsity," Thomas said. "We are going to have a rebuilding year."

Along with all rebuilding years (except those of the Basketball Team which come when they lose more than two games!) comes lack of attendance. "At our first game we had only a few parents and a couple students who were hanging around school," Thomas said. "People come with winning. Once we start winning, the kids will be there. I'm not really worried about it because these girls are working so hard they can only get better," he said.

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Mrs. Bernstein ends teaching career

By DON ANDREWS
JAY Staff Writer

After 22½ years of service to SHS, English and speech teacher Mrs. Gladys Bernstein has retired.

"I decided to get some movement and freedom in my life," she explained. "I love to travel, so I think I will go to England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales this summer. England has always fascinated me and the others will just be the icing on the cake."

Although she is looking forward to a bright future, Mrs. Bernstein says she will never forget the past. "I have had so many great moments here I couldn't just leave them behind," she exclaimed.

Unlike many parents who, after sending one or two children into the real world and have had enough, Mrs. Bernstein decided that after three she wanted to do more. "When my children all went away I decided to get my college degree in education (which she received at Wayne State) so I could be around kids," she explains.

"I love children and I loved high school. Those are the main reasons why I picked this field," Mrs. Bernstein recalled. "I call them all my kids."

She fondly recalls many experiences of her two decades plus of teaching. "One of the most amazing things that happened during my years here at SHS was when I asked my students to bring in a guest to talk to the class. One student, Lisa Romney, brought in a lady



Mrs. Gladys Bernstein

who was going to run for US senator. The lady called Lisa and asked if she could bring a friend, her friend turned out to be Mrs. Richard Nixon. They held the interview in the auditorium and there were press people all over the place. I introduced the two and we even got a write-up in the New York Times," she reminisced.

Usually it was the students themselves who created the fond memories during Mrs. Bernstein's favorite teaching assignment — speech. "Hilarious" outcomes often arose from over-achieving students. "One of the funniest 'speeches' ever done by a student was one by Owen J. Anderson. A profes-

People



Mrs. Sarah Pullar

sional mime and actor today, his talent was already showing through then. He presented a panomine of a doctor in an operating room and included everything from the non-existent nurse who slapped the scalpel in his hand, to making an incision and yanking out an organ that he looked at, shrugged and tossed behind his back," she laughed as she mimicked his motions.

Teaching was not the only thing in her life. She also assisted with the production of the last 15 years worth of plays, which is one of the things she says she will miss the most in leaving SHS.

Fascination with language draws Mrs. Pullar to Spanish

By DON ANDREWS
JAY Staff Writer

After many years of teaching everything from science to shop as a substitute in the Southfield School system, Mrs. Sarah Pullar finally settled into a full time teaching job at SHS. She has been teaching full time for ten years.

Mrs. Pullar, a Spanish teacher, began her higher education at the University of Michigan and followed that up as a Spanish major at the National University of Mexico on a scholarship in Mexico City.

She began her enthusiasm for foreign languages early on. Mrs. Pullar explains, "I was in the seventh grade and my sister took a foreign language class. I was so fascinated with it I just couldn't wait to take one myself."

Her inclination for foreign languages did not stop at just one class as she took two years of Spanish, Latin, Portuguese and French. "What I enjoyed even more than the actual languages themselves, was learning about the different people and their cultures," she explained. She attempts to pass on this cultural knowledge by reading and showing slides on the government, products and history of Mexico, Spain and other South and Central American Spanish-speaking countries.

She has travelled to most of these countries and can share her first-hand knowledge. These ventures, she said, have been one of the most memorable parts of her Spanish language experience.

"The year which I travelled through Mexico into South America was the most enjoyable. When travelling through Peru into the highlands I was able to witness some of the natives in their untouched primitive ways."

Although Mrs. Pullar has taken many vacations over the summer, she very rarely takes any time off during the school year. "Once I went three years without being absent. Every year my students try to talk me into taking a few days off but I couldn't do that," she laughed.

Although her dedication to teaching seems to stretch past illness, she also expects much from her students. "I like a student who is industrious, polite, respectful and persistent," she said. "The worst part about teaching is (dealing with) a student that is lazy and doesn't even try."

Over the years Mrs. Pullar has seen many changes in students. "The dress has changed tremendously since I started teaching back in 1965. It went from good to bad and then back to good again. When I first started teaching, the students dressed nicely and cared what they looked like. In the 1970's the kids didn't seem to care what they looked like. The kids are beginning to care again," Mrs. Pullar said.

Although Spanish is an important part of her life as her almost untainted attendance suggests, she quickly denies that it is the most important thing. "My family is the most important thing. I have two grandchildren, ages four and seven," she smiles with pride.

Martyr lends name to Valentine's Day

By LINDA NAMY
JAY Staff Writer



Flowers, candy and cards. What do these three things have in common? They are usually the gifts presented to a "valentine" on Valentine's Day.

Sending gifts or just spending time with family, friends or sweethearts may be one's idea of a well spent Valentine's Day.

The Valentine's Day tradition was believed to have started in numerous ways. Valentine's Day is believed to be named after two Catholic priests, both named Saint Valentine.

One of the priests was executed on Feb. 14, 270 for marrying young couples against the orders of Roman

Emperor Cladius, not to wed young men. The Emperor believed unwed men made better soldiers. Pope Gelasius then named Feb. 14 as St. Valentine's Day.

Another version of the Valentine story says that St. Valentine, who was an early Christian, refused to worship the Roman gods. St. Valentine was friends with many of the children and when he was thrown in jail they grew to miss him. The children sent little love notes through the bars. This may explain how sending Valentine cards originated.

The Roman festival called Luprical was associated with Valentine's Day even though it was held on Feb. 15. Valentine's Day is also associated with the belief that spring is the time for finding lovers.

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With professional modeling comes even greater competition. This is something Legel learned to handle. "You have to be determined, believe in yourself and know what you want. If you don't, there is too much competition to let you succeed. It's healthy though, the competitiveness keeps you getting better."

Competitiveness presents other aspects of modeling such as pageants and contests. Lynn McKinney entered the Miss Charm Pageant held in Detroit. She won fourth overall in categories such as talent, a private interview and evening gown modeling. She may go on to Washington for the national finals. The final prizes include scholarships.

Another aspect of modeling that is more unusual and exciting is the oppor-

tunity to do commercials. Beth Ferstenfeld was in a Jordache jeans commercial after the Affiliated modeling agency called Stagedoor Dance Studio where Ferstenfeld has classes. They asked for someone who could "wear size seven jeans and do robotic moves," Ferstenfeld said.

The video-like commercial was made for Rich's clothing store in Atlanta and was not shown in Michigan.

To tell the truth when I first saw the commercial I was a little disappointed," Ferstenfeld said, "but now when I see it I like it better and better. It was a great experience."

For other girls who have an interest in modeling Kathy Smith advises that they "stick with it and don't get discouraged."

"Don't believe modeling schools, they'll just take your money. Call a modeling agency and ask for their sug-

gestions. They will help you. Finding a good photographer is also important. Send some pictures and a letter to an agency and see if they think you'd make a good model," Legal advised.

To those considering modeling Schlusell said, "Modeling is a good job experience and a fun way to make money."

Armenio feels that having modeling as a job "is a lot better than working at Big Boy."

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school facilities by disruptive or extremist groups.

Sen. Riegle believes that "this legislation is critical to strengthening our educational system and guaranteeing the next generation will be well prepared for the future."