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# Marshall Wins District Title SCA Constitution Reorganizes Law



Coach Bob Smith directs the Marshall basketball team from the sidelines in the important Madison game.

"We're No. 1" fever spreads through the halls of Marshall High in epidemic proportions as the varsity basketballers capped their best season in history with the number one spot in the Great Falls District standings. Junior varsity and Frosh teams also placed No. 1 for the year.

More tournament action hopefully awaits the Statesmen after the District finals this weekend at McLean. Regionals, involving all four area district winners, will be held next week at Washington-Lee.

The 9-9 Statesmen provided students with "winning ball" rather than echoes of past seasons. Mark and Bob Page took rebounding and scoring honors for the season. Along with them, starters John Brown, 11, John MacGhee, 12, and Freshman Greg Pearson carried GCM to victory over Madison twice, providing two key victories to take the No. 1 position.

With students chanting "We're Number One" at various times since January, the Statesmen survived a brutal schedule, according to Coach Robert Smith, who praised the team. "The whole school's attitude toward athletics has changed. We've come up as a team, and developed a better team spirit," said Coach Smith.



Senior Wayne Affeldt goes over provisions of the new SCA constitution with Council President Mike Widener, 12.

by Barbara Dutchak

Attempting to produce a more effective, representative and appropriate student government for next year, the Marshall SCA Senators, guided by Senior Wayne Affeldt, have rewritten the student council constitution. Already approved by the Senate, the document will be voted on at the March 6 House of Representatives meeting and, if passed, will go before the students for ratification.

## Interclub Council

The most evident change in the new constitution is the exclusion of the eight-man Senate from the organization. It will be replaced by the Interclub Council, a larger body comprised of representatives from all classes and clubs. Already at work as an unofficial part of the SCA this year, the body would assume voting power equivalent to that of the House next year. Also in the document are by-laws standardizing all school election procedures.

## Students Take to the Road

# Highway Accidents, Fatalities Warrant Teen-age Attention

by Linda Stone

There are certain ages that hold special significance for the child growing up in our society. At six he begins school, at 12 he pays adult movie rates, and at 16 he gets his driver's license. To a Statesman 16 becomes not an age to be "sweet" in, but time for the pilgrimage to the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Despite this tremendous build-up, including the warnings of parents and officials as to the responsibilities of a driver, statistics point out that in a recent month one out of every 44 licensed drivers at Marshall was involved in an accident or arrested for a traffic violation.

Nationally the facts are just as bleak. In 1966 16.5% of all traffic accidents were pinned on teen-age drivers which comprise only 9.8% of the driver population. The question arising is why such a bad record for drivers who, with the alertness of their youth, should achieve much better driving records.

## Two Out of Every Five Involved

With two out of every five teens involved in accidents yearly educators and traffic authorities have probed into the reasons for this. Suggestions formulated in a recent pamphlet published by the Automotive Safety Foundation in Washington include the teen's lack of accurate knowledge about driving. It is also pointed out that only 45% of high school students eligible for driver training in the school have participated in this program.

Another reason stated is "aggressive personality traits." As ambiguous as this sounds, in combination with another suggested reason, "willingness to take undue risks," it points to the whys of teen speeding, drinking and driving, and the so-called "show off" driving.

Unsound and immature judgment coupled with lack of cooperative attitudes is also a part of the high accident rate. Finally, the Foundation cites lack of driving experience, particularly in complex driving situations and emergencies, as another reason.

## Repair Bills Soar to \$1.5

These multiple causes come down to a basic indifference of students to the responsibilities of driving an automobile. Because of this indifference an average of 10,700 teens are involved in acci-

dents per day and their repairs bills soar to \$1.5 billion a year.

The high statistics on driving fatalities and injuries have brought about a number of results. Various groups of people around the country have begun to look into traffic safety on the whole and have come up with new safety measures to be installed on all new cars. Seat belts and seat harnesses have become standard equipment in automobiles.

Most of the investigation and testing has had to do with the driver, however: why he finds himself in so many accidents and why, even with the new safety equipment, he kills 3,000 Americans each year. Starting at the root of the problem has meant to many investigators beginning with studies of teen-age driving attitudes and practices.

## National Conferences Attract Teens

The teen-ager himself is concerned with the dangers of the highway and yearly national safety conferences are being held to try to find ways to decrease accidents and arrests. Last summer Marshall sent a representative to a conference in Missouri where students from all over the U.S. met and discussed the safety programs of their areas.

Fairfax County has had a safety program in effect for quite a few years. The Interscholastic Safety Council in the county meets monthly under the leadership of Corporal Ed Cox, a long-time contributor to the county's safety program and now in charge of it. In these meetings representatives from all county high schools compare statistics and methods and plan for Traffic Safety weeks held in the high schools yearly. Marshall's is scheduled for the week of April 22.

Monthly, the members also post the county arrest and accident statistics on the Traffic Safety Scoreboard in their schools.

## Driving Age 18 Suggested

Besides these jobs the council members hold annual conferences for school leaders and newspaper editors to discuss traffic safety methods. One discussion group talked over petitioning the Virginia General Assembly to raise the driving age to eighteen unless the teen has taken an approved driver training course, and another approved of the idea used in the midwest of painting white crosses on the road where fatal accidents have occurred.

The new Interclub Council will have the sole power to charter GCM clubs, which involves meeting a few minor requirements as having a constitution and regular meetings. It will also be attempting evaluations of all club activities.

## Already In Operation

Already assuming some of its responsibilities, the ICC handles all activity request forms and slates events on the school calendar. Pat Bowe, 12, chairman of the council, states, "The council can be especially useful in organizing activities like the Spring Carnival or Frosh orientation as well as compiling a school handbook."

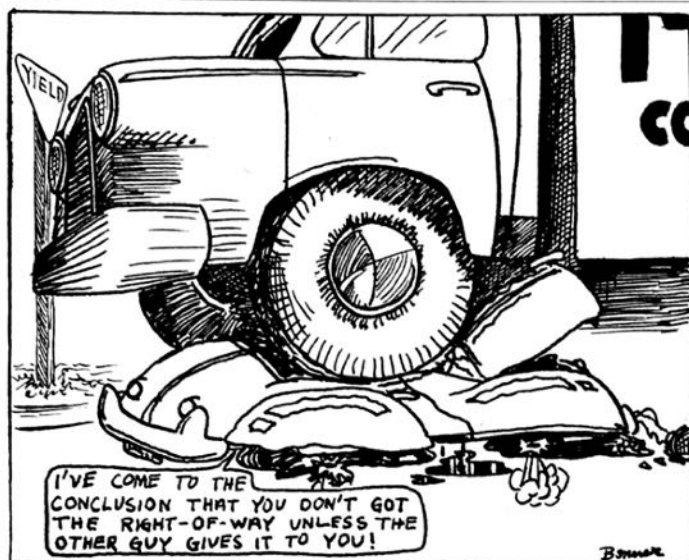
Two new offices will be created with the ICC: Activities Coordinator and Clerk of the Council (replacing Clerk of the Senate).

## 'ICC Easy to Accept'

Wayne states in support of the ICC, "The Senate as it exists now is impractical, and it is becoming unreasonable to apply the United States Constitution to school government. The ICC should be, and it is hoped will be, easy to accept."

## What's Up?

- February 24: Merit Scholarship Test — 8 a.m.
- February 27: Language Club Banquet — 4 p.m.
- March 2: College Boards
- March 6: SCA House Meeting—7:30 p.m.
- March 8: Band Concert—7:30 p.m.
- March 9: Fairfax County Science Club Convention—8 a.m.
- March 20: SCA House Meeting—7:30 p.m.



## Hold Onto That Life

Traffic safety is in the news all over the country. The government is urging more automobile safety features and the car manufacturers are balking. State officials continue the debate over the driving age almost as heatedly as they argue the voting age. Tests with dummies prove that plastic men break at so many pounds pressure.

All the while humans are dying by the thousands on our nation's highways—fifty today, a hundred tomorrow, maybe two hundred the next day. Traffic accidents claim more lives yearly than the bloodiest wars.

And the teen-age driver is a top offender in the traffic court marathon. He captures 16.5% of the accident prizes per year.

Monday morning homeroom talk periods are filled with guffaws over who ran into whom on Saturday night. Slightly less funny are the Sunday morning obituaries.

Yearly Marshall's auditorium is open for a day to the Fairfax County safety program. Students leave this assembly feeling uneasy about their driving habits after seeing the films of those who haven't managed to keep all their arms or legs or lives after traffic accidents. But three days later they take five corners in a row on two wheels.

The Traffic Safety Scoreboard in the GCM cafeteria heralds the arrests and accidents of Fairfax high schools for the previous month. Up there in black and white one in 44, or one in 130 doesn't look like much, but that one could have been a baseball player's arm or a typist's hand or maybe just an ear or an eye or a life.

Take a look at that board some afternoon and try not to say "It could never be me." There are a lot more months to go in your life.

## Goodbye SCA Senate?

Hurrah for the SCA Senate! They've voted themselves right out of business!

The year-long project of the Senate has been the composing of a new SCA Constitution and they've come up with a great one. Replacing their own eight-man body with the larger Interclub Council, they have also broadened the authority of their portion of the SCA.

This Interclub Council will be comprised of elected class representatives and club vice presidents and will have the power to charter all GCM clubs and coordinate their activities.

These constitutional changes will make the SCA organization much more effective as a coordinating force in the school and with school support from the Magazine Drive money, the student council will operate only to benefit other school organizations and the students themselves.

March 6 the House of Representatives will give the new constitution final approval before it is incorporated into the Marshall organization. RANK & FILE strongly endorses the new document and hopes that the House will pass it without delay.

## We're Number One

This basketball season has been not only the most successful on record, but also the best supported in many years at GCM. Varsity Coach Robert Smith points out, "Marshall has the largest crowds in Northern Virginia." And a 6-3 home record (compared to 3-6 away) verifies this.

Marshall students followed the team with total interest. The Statesman crowd at Madison, for example, in the decisive weeknight contest almost equaled the home team's.

The Madison game proved that Marshall was No. 1 in more ways than one. Annoyances came from the Madison side of the court in the form of constant distraction of GCM foul-shooters, plus some large signs in bad taste flashed by Madisonites. In contrast, Marshall, even when behind, maintained courtesy and spirit in a tense game in a foreign gym.

Thus, RANK & FILE extends its appreciation and congratulations to the team and coach, and also to the entire student body for providing a memorable basketball season.

### Fourth In a Series

## Vice President Humphrey Airs Views On Asian Communism, Dissent Draft

Editor's note: RANK & FILE contacted Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey recently to seek his views on various subjects of concern to Marshall students. The Vice President came to his office with a long record of political service behind him. Elected mayor of Minneapolis, Minn. in 1945 and 1947, he served in the Senate from 1948 to 1964.

Q.—Mr. Vice President, in briefest terms, what is our purpose in militarily aiding the South Vietnamese?

A.—Successive American governments have judged the guerrilla tactics of "the war of national liberation" and the conduct of the government of North Viet Nam a direct threat to our own interests and the long term prospects for peace in the world.

Q.—In your opinion why is dissent among students over our policy in Viet Nam greater than during World War II or Korea?

A.—I think that much of today's expression of dissent stems from the fact that the threat to world peace and to man's freedom, so starkly evident to the Allied peoples in World War II, is less clear to many Americans when they view the actions of militant Asian Communism. In a somewhat similar fashion the massive, overt, unprovoked attack across an established international border in Korea in 1950 by assault divisions of the North Korean army was clearly and immediately recognizable for what it was—criminal aggression.

Q.—What is your opinion about the increased discussion of public issues? What does it mean?

A.—This is a difficult question, for I think there are several reasons for it. I shall touch on only one—the growing volume of communication within the United States and through the world accompanied as it is with ever faster and at times instantaneous transmission. We all have more facts, more opinions, more judgments on any issue quickly available to us and even, through television, sometimes see some or all of the people and events which are a part of or help shape some of the issues.

Q.—Much of the talk in recent years has centered on the U.S. draft system. What is your position in relation to the present conscription laws? Is there a definite need for them at this time?

A.—The requirements of our national security have made it necessary for our nation to have a military draft law for all except one brief period of the past twenty-seven years. The present draft law was enacted only a few months ago by a Congress

which had the recommendations of the President and a special commission he had convened to advise him, the recommendations of other study groups, countless letters from citizens and the thorough study of the appropriate committees of the House and the Senate. It is not a law which meets with everyone's approval, and I doubt if any law on this subject ever will.



Vice President Hubert Humphrey

### Did You Know?

## Drive Reaps \$11,300

DID YOU KNOW... that the 1968 Magazine Drive brought in \$11,300, \$3,700 short of the \$15,000 goal? The school received approximately \$4,000 and the winning class, the juniors, about 3%.

... that RANK & FILE was one of only seven schools in the country in its category to qualify for an All-American publication rating by the National Scholastic Press Association?

... that you could be a host family for a Marshall AFS student next year? If you are interested, call Mrs. Dixon at 532-6603 or sign up in the Guidance Office.

... that the Fairfax County School Board voted to table a proposal which would put Junior Reserve Officer Training (JROTC) in all Fairfax County High Schools?

... that the SCA and administration are working on plans for a memorial to Mr. Raymond Schultz, GCM history teacher who passed away earlier in the year? If interested, contact the SCA.

### Statesmen of the Month

## Seniors Gobely, Anderson Take Honors As House Chooses February Winners

The Statesmen of the Month for March are Seniors Lynne Gobely and Doug Anderson. The two were chosen by the SCA House of Representatives for their contributions to Marshall.



Lynne Gobely she was awarded being most school spirited.



Doug Anderson president of Tri-M,

Lynne is currently captain of the Varsity Cheerleaders and has also served on the Frosh and Junior Varsity squads. A member of the Keyette Club, she is also in the Concert Choir.

At the Sweetheart Dance the Senior Superlative for being most school spirited.

Doug is part of the GCM symphonic band and stage band, and is accomplished on most any instrument except the oboe, bassoon and trombone. Member of the National Honor Society, Doug is

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## Seniors Lead Tally Honor Roll Leaps to 465

The second nine-weeks honor roll sports 465 Statesmen in comparison to last nine-weeks' 452.

The Senior Class leads with a total of 137, followed by the juniors, freshmen, and sophomores.

**Seniors**  
Affeldt, John Wayne  
Allen, Marilyn  
Allen, Richard  
Anderson, Douglas  
Anderson, William  
Ault, Donna  
Best, William  
Blankenship, Peggy  
Borowow, John  
Boswell, Allan  
Bowe, Patricia  
Bradfield, James A.  
Brooks, Dahn  
Brown, Gregory  
Bullock, Linda  
Bullock, JoAnn  
Byers, Carol  
Campbell, Susan  
Carl, Cathleen  
Cascio, Michael  
Cockley, Sharon  
Cockrell, Rosalyn  
Coffey, Mark  
Columbo, Johanna  
Compton, Pamela  
Cooney, John  
Cottrell, Eddie  
Cubbage, Gilda  
Cubbage, Jerome  
Davis, Linda  
Doallas, Patrick  
Doran, Pamela  
Dunn, Lillian  
Earmann, Lynda  
Egbert, John  
Eure, Amanda  
Flagg, Sharon  
Flinchbaugh, Barbara  
Fournier, Linda  
Gage, Cynthia  
Gardner, Gordon  
Garrison, Janice  
Gary, Virginia  
Goble, Lynne  
Greene, Deborah  
Hall, Margaret  
Hallberg, Robert  
Hankinson, Dorothy  
Hansen, Christopher  
Harding, Deborah  
Harman, Eileen  
Hart, Eugene  
Heinz, Elke  
Herbert, Regina  
Hibbitts, Nancy  
Hoffman, Constance  
Holtschuh, Steven  
Houston, Craig  
Huber, David  
Hume, Susan  
Iverson, Virginia  
Jacobson, Karen  
Johnson, Marilyn  
Johnstone, James  
Joalin, Michael  
Kaine, Shayne  
Karnes, Howard  
Keidash, Randolph  
Kincaid, William  
Kosko, Leonard  
Koon, Barbara  
Landis, Sarah  
Luppi, Mark  
Maley, Gertrude  
March, Richard  
Martins, Gail  
McCartier, John  
McGuire, Glenda  
Meadows, Sharon  
Meeler, Melinda  
Mitchell, Joan  
Moore, Jack  
Morgan, Robert  
Morrison, Marianne  
Murray, John  
Nelson, Clifford  
Ober, Kathleen  
Painter, Dianne  
Payne, Gaye  
Poe, David  
Potter, Susan  
Pugh, Michele  
Ragan, Richard  
Ransom, Judy  
Rawl, Richard  
Reed, Scott  
Rickan, David  
Roach, Cheryl  
Rogers, Kenneth  
Schaeffer, Stephanie  
Schweitzer, Linda  
Shaffer, Richard  
Shaffer, Sandra  
Serafini, Silvio  
Siemens, Carol  
Skalnik, Marcia  
Smith, Doreen  
Smith, Michael  
Smith, Patricia  
Smith, Sally  
Smith, Walter D.  
Stanford, Mary  
Starlipper, Gary  
Stevens, Pamela  
Stone, Linda  
Sweeney, Melinda  
Synoski, James  
Taylor, Elizabeth  
Taylor, Mary  
Thompson, Richard  
Tyler, George  
Udovin, Cheryl  
Updegrave, David  
Ward, William  
Watkins, Norman  
Wayne, Eugene  
Webb, Trudy  
Wayne, Barbara  
Widener, Michael  
Williamson, Linda  
Wilt, Anne

**Juniors**  
Anderson, David  
Albert, Jennifer  
Adkins, Susan  
Baker, Dennis  
Bardon, Jeanne  
Beach, Linda  
Beerbower, Gretchen  
Bickel, Loretta  
Blanton, Sharon  
Bohannon, Kathryn  
Borland, Charles  
Brown, Laura  
Bumette, Mary  
Bux, Barbara  
Bynaker, Marilyn  
Cardwell, Phyllis  
Case, Carol  
Clark, Daniel  
Cook, Margaret  
Culhane, John  
Dale, Brenda  
Duchak, Barbara  
Ernst, David  
Evans, David  
Fairbanks, Debra  
Follin, Terri  
Fox, Leslie  
Gall, Thomas P.  
Gapp, Virginia  
Garner, Sharon  
Glick, Eugene  
Goodnow, Carlton  
Gordon, Susan  
Greer, Kathleen  
Griffin, Robert  
Griffin, Charles  
Heise, Patricia  
Heitz, Sharon  
Houck, Marcia  
Hobbes, Pamela  
Howerly, Patricia  
Hudson, Hobbard  
Hunkeler, Robert  
Hulvey, Janet  
Hunter, Doris  
Icke, Tim  
Jacks, Diane  
Jeffries, Pamela  
Jenkins, Linda  
Jenkins, Nancy  
Kane, Denise  
Kameniski, Wade  
Kessler, Patricia  
Kilburne, Katherine  
Klein, Douglas  
Klein, Estelle  
Knight, Jerome  
Kuhn, Jacolyn  
Kushon, Gary  
Lambert, Karen J.  
Larkin, Mary P.  
Leake, Janet  
Lockhe, Gail  
Mainolfi, Anthony  
Martin, George  
McAfee, Pamela  
McLeod, Thomas  
McNare, Claudia  
Meck, Wanda  
Michael, Randy  
Michals, Susan  
Miller, Margaret  
Moak, Gifford  
Mofay, Sharon  
Morris, John  
Newell, Noel  
Noltemeier, Nancy  
Obannon, Robert  
O'Connell, Mark  
Paulsen, H. Jay  
Perrin, Kenneth  
Perry, Sara  
Peters, Phyllis  
Peters, Olga  
Peterson, Jean  
Petree, Richard  
Poole, Kathleen  
Poole, Linda  
Rae, Marilyn  
Reiss, Linda  
Rice, Susan  
Rodda, Delois  
Romano, Dennis  
Roybal, Mario  
Rubin, Robert  
Same, Sharon  
Schlemmer, Todd  
Schoch, Lennetta  
Schultz, Susan  
Simonson, Carol  
Smith, Shelley  
Stamps, Robert  
Stephan, Paul  
Sterling, Arlene  
Stoupa, Anne Marie  
Stumpf, Barbara  
Tapp, Bonnie  
Thaler, Marcia  
Troemmler, Susan  
Trueheart, Douglas  
Vogelhuber, Sharon  
Wahl, Sharon  
Walter, Janet  
Wason, Sharon  
Whitney, Walter  
Wiggins, Bobby  
Wilden, Carl  
Williams, Russell  
Wood, Margaret  
Wright, Marsha  
Yates, Carolyn  
Young, Victoria

**Sophomores**  
Anderson, Danielle  
Armstrong, Alice

## NHS Inducts 11 Seniors; One Tenth Junior Class



Seniors Linda Gotthardt, Maggie Hall, Chris Hansen, Marilyn Johnson, Karen Miller, Pat Smith, Connie Hoffman, Dave Huber, Scott Moore, Sally Smith, and Norman Watkins are inducted into the National Honor Society.

Five seniors and nearly a tenth of the Junior Class are the National Honor Society's mid-year inductees.

Initiated into the Society on Feb. 15 in Marshall's library were Seniors Connie Hoffman, Dave Huber, Scott Moore, Sally Smith, and Norman Watkins.

The six seniors accepted in the fall also became official NHS members. The 46 juniors inducted, were David Anderson, Christina Bobchek, John Culhane, Jr., Barbara Dutchak, Debbie Fairbanks, Leslie Fox, Virginia Gapp, Sharon Garner, Eugene Glick, Carleton Goodnow, Susan Gordon, Robert Griffin, Jill Hanney, Pat Heise, Patricia Howerly, Terry Hughes, Linda Jenkins, Denise Kaine, Jackie Kuhn, Janet Leake, Gail Lockhart, George Martin, Jan Miller, Noel Newell, Phyllis Peter, Olga Peters,

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## Reveille Seeks One-Act Plays

by Linda Williamson

Marshall's literary magazine has decided to look for some interesting words on plays.

A one-act play contest is being sponsored by *Reveille* and the GCM Theatians. Students are asked to submit their works to *Reveille* by April 1.

Requirements for entering the contest include writing an original play in one act not to exceed a 30 minute maximum playing time. The play must also be suitable for GCM production.

The winning play will be produced and published in the spring issue of the magazine.

Comments Senior George Mainzer, *Reveille* editor, "Due to an increased interest in the dramatic arts on the part of the student body, we thought the contest would be a good idea."

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# Thespians Expand Rolls National Foundations Cite Seven; Honor Statesmen With Awards

by Leslie Fox  
Marshall's Thespian Society is not lighting an Olympic torch, but

rather a dramatic flare. Thirteen new members, including Seniors Bob Aamodt, Jim Brookens, Bruce Buckelew, Paul Chaplin, Steve Cross, Ken DuRant, George Mainzer, and Charlotte Rae; Juniors Peggy Felton, Shirley Johnston, Laurie Kriss, Marilyn Rae; and Sophomore Larry Rosalina are recent initiates into the Thespian Society.



To be voted into membership, one must have worked on Drama Department productions to earn Thespian points. For each 15 hours spent working on a production, one point is awarded, toward the 10 required for membership.

Junior Ginny Gapp, Thespian secretary, says "The troupe extends a sincere invitation to all interested students to work toward this honor in future productions."

Four Marshall students, Seniors John Murray and Steve Gardner, and Juniors Bob Wiggins and Jim



John Murray

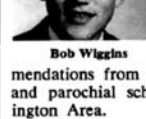
Leister have been selected by the West Point Society of the District of Columbia to receive scholastic and leadership awards. The West Point Society awards annually

The awards will be presented to the four at the March 15 Founder's Day Dinner sponsored by the



Steve Gardner

John and Bob will receive recognition in scholastic leadership, and Steve and Jim in football leadership.



Bob Wiggins

They were chosen from teacher recommendations from the public, private, and parochial schools in the Washington Area.

All four of the boys are sports enthusiasts, but they vary in their career and college plans. Bob plans to be a lawyer and hopes to attend Texas University, while Jim would like to attend a school in the Big Ten Conference and become a professional athlete or coach.

John and Steve are both undecided as to careers, but Steve plans to apply to the University of Virginia.

The Outstanding Americans Foundation has chosen Seniors Marcia Skalnik and John Boronow as Outstanding Teenagers of America for 1967. The non-profit organization is headed by civic club leaders.

Marcia, who is the Madrigal student director and National Honor Society vice-president in addition to being a member of many other organizations, says, "I was honored and very surprised. I had no idea I would get the award."

John remarks, "I never would have guessed it. I hope I'm worthy of the faith they have in me."

John is also active as president of the Honor Society and a member of several clubs including the Science and Russian Clubs. Both students are National Merit Finalists.

The two are now eligible for the top award in Virginia, the Governor's Trophy. The Trophy places the student in contention for one of the top ten national awards and a \$1000 scholarship. The final judging will be held in April.

After first being nominated by the school, John and Marcia were selected by a special committee of the Outstanding Americans Foundation. The committee's purpose is to honor, inspire and encourage youth to take full advantage of America's opportunities.

Mr. John Putman, president of the foundation, explains the program's goal is "to recognize and encourage the ability and achievements of today's young people. They are America's leaders of tomorrow."

Senior Rebecca (Jonnie) Johnston has been selected GCM's Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow.

Jonnie describes her reaction as "shocked. I had almost forgotten I had taken the test."

Jonnie's high scores on the Dec. 5 written knowledge and attitude test also make her eligible for the state title. The state winner will receive a \$1500 college scholarship. Winners from all 50 states and D.C. will then join in an all expense paid tour of Williamsburg, Va. and Washington, D.C. this spring.

Interviews during the tour along with the original test scores will decide the national winner, who will receive a \$5000 scholarship.

General Mills organized this program 14 years ago to emphasize the importance of homemaking as a career.

Adds Jonnie, whose hobbies are, appropriately, cooking and sewing, "I'm happy I got the award, as I hope to major in home economics, preferably at VPI."



Jonnie Johnston

## Choir, Madrigals

## Wandering Minstrels Star In Community Happening

Marshall's Choral Department is "hitting the road" this semester with various local performances. According to Mr. Arthur Monroe, choral director, "the Concert Choir and Madrigals are branching out

more into community activities, in addition to their usual seasonal concerts."

The groups will perform in the area about once every two weeks until June.

The Madrigals and Concert Choir will perform at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Goodwin House, an Episcopalian home for the retarded in Alexandria. The public is invited to this free concert, and a reception for the choirs and guests will be held after the performance.

On March 17, these singing students will provide music for the 9 and 11 a.m. services at the Christ Congregational Church in Silver Spring.

April 4-7 the choral groups will visit Knoxville, Tennessee, as part of a concert exchange with Karns High School. Students from Karns will visit GCM April 25-28, and on the weekend the Karns 60-member choir will give two concerts.

In keeping with their expanded participation in outside events, some members of the Concert Choir and Madrigals represented Marshall at the recent all-county choral clinic.

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## Corporal Cox Recalls Safety Council's Start



Corporal Cox prepares to discuss traffic safety with a group of area students.

"It all started at Marshall, actually," stated Corporal Edward Cox of the Fairfax County Police Department. Corporal Cox explained that the whole idea of the Interscholastic Safety Council originated when he was assigned to speak at Marshall four years ago. Several GCM students had attended a safety conference in Illinois. They thought a safety council would be an excellent idea.

### Safety Council

The Interscholastic Safety Council meets once a month and is led by Corporal Cox with representatives from Fairfax County schools attending. These students go over safety programs on a county-wide basis. Corporal Cox commented, "I would like to see the Safety Council grow and branch out into other areas besides traffic safety. I hope to see the council extend to all schools in the area and, therefore, improve its results."

### Marshall Represented

Representing Marshall at the Safety Council meetings is Senior Bill Ward. Bill has been GCM's representative since June. He attended a summer safety conference at Southwestern Missouri State College in Springfield, Mo. for four days in mid-August. Delegates from schools in 22 states were present at the National Education Association sponsored conference.

As representative, Bill is in charge of the safety scoreboard in the cafeteria, and he also helps coordinate the Safety Week.

designed to test one's driving ability, and a safety assembly. The Key and Keyette Clubs also participate in the organization of the week.

Bill commented, "Although students learn the traffic rules by taking driver education, constant reminders concerning safety are necessary. Safety Week is equivalent to one very large reminder." When asked the main goal of the Safety Council, Bill stated, "The purpose is to impress upon students their responsibilities as drivers."

## Feast to Fete Foreign Fare Room 114

"An International Affair" is the name of the game, and all four foreign language clubs will be playing.

The French, Spanish, Russian, and German Clubs will sponsor an International Banquet Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria. Admission to the evening of lively entertainment and exotic food will be \$1.

"The cafeteria will be transformed into foreign villages with miniature houses symbolic of each of the four countries," explains Paul Chaplin, 12, German Club vice-president.

The buffet-style dinner will boast a wide variety of dishes, such as roast goose from the German Club and chili from the Spanish Club.

The program will include entertainment provided in the form of dancing by the Russian and Spanish Clubs, and skits by the German and French Clubs.

"If the banquet lives up to our expectations, we hope it will become a Marshall tradition," notes Senior Kathy Oberg, French Club president.

### NHS—Cont. from p. 3

Barbara Stumpf, Susan Troemmler, Douglas Trueheart, Janet Walter, Sharon Wason, and Vicki Young.

Speaking at the induction ceremony was Mrs. Jane Wilhelm, director of community relations at Reston. NHS treasurer Bill Best, 12, and secretary Mary Woodward, 12, also spoke on the subjects of leadership, character, scholarship, and service.

Students are selected on the basis of teacher recommendations centered on honesty, leadership, character, and service. However, NHS sponsor Mr. Ed Anderson emphasized that, "Good workers are equally appreciated."

## Marshall Adds Math Lab



Senior Buck Karnes takes advantage of the new facilities in the math lab.

"Actually the term 'lab' is misleading. It is really the ideally equipped mathematics class room," explains Mr. Ed Anderson, head of the math department, when speaking about Marshall's newest addition, a math lab.

Mr. Anderson stresses that "every math classroom should contain the same equipment." The equipment consists of various demonstration-size mathematical tools: a coordinated plane, a divided circle, a viza-trig demonstration panel, a drafting machine, and a demonstration slide rule. A permanent over-head projector, specially designed teacher's desk, and student desks with individual coordinated graphs complete the list of special materials in room 114.

The major purpose of the room, according to Mr. Anderson, "is to provide a ready and efficient means for making, presenting and interpreting mathematical models."

A natural result of the new lab is an unmistakably mathematical atmosphere in the room, which is an automatic aid to student concentration and perception. Marshall teachers feel that this result is well worth the lab's added cost of \$300.

Hopefully, every math class will use the lab within this school year, though it will necessitate exchanging rooms. Next year, Mr. Anderson would like to see the room left free all periods, which would facilitate an equal division of scheduling for all classes.

Also being considered on the county level is the testing of several actual math labs, with calculators and computers.

"But a more pressing goal is to equip all the math rooms with some new equipment," adds Mr. Anderson.

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# GCM Paves Way to Tournament

By Mike Cascio

After clinching a hard-earned District season title (see Page 1), the Statesmen varsity cagers look toward "greener pastures" as they attempt to capture the District Tournament as well.

Tonight's tourney climax at McLean could wrap it up for Marshall. District rules require the regular season winner (GCM) to meet the tournament champ in a playoff for the Great Falls District title. Thus, if Marshall wins the tournament, there is no need for a playoff. If Marshall loses tonight, the same teams will meet tomorrow night for the title.

## First Title

Winner of the title gains the distinction of being the first Great Falls District basketball champion. In its opening year, the District is composed of Marshall, Madison, Falls Church, McLean, Langley, and Oakton (playing a JV schedule).

Following a 56-48 defeat to Northern District champion Woodson, GCM nabbed Madison, 47-42 in the season's "big win." The varsity five bounced back after a 23-16 halftime deficit, while their expert pressure defense and top rebounding kept the Warhawks in their cage.

Rounding off the championship season, Marshall dropped Langley, 53-45, in last Friday's finale. Bob Page led all scorers with 29 points.

## Success Explained

Coach Robert Smith is trusting the team members to follow through in the post-season action. "If they can't get themselves up for the tournament, I sure can't get them up," reasons the coach.

Commenting on GCM's unusual success within the District, the coach added, "Naturally, we'd rather win the big games. But we've also had a tougher non-District schedule than any other team in the League." His 9-9 team still managed to set a new school record for varsity basketball.

## Girls Come Through As 10-2 Champions

by Terry Hughes

With a record copying the boys', Marshall's girls' varsity basketball team has proven itself to be "a team to beat." The team has finished a fabulous season with ten wins and two losses.

Fighting through two close matches, the girls squeaked by Langley, 63-56, and McLean, 38-35, for their eighth and ninth wins.

## Streaks to Victory

Beginning their season with victories over Herndon and Falls Church, the girls experienced their initial loss against Madison by a score of 51-35. Nearby rivals McLean and Langley both collapsed under the girls' barrage of shooting and expert defense.

Langley fell hard, 56-32, while traditional enemy McLean suffered a 39-27 setback. Dorothy "Hank" Hankinson, 12, and Bonita Parker, 12, were both high scorers in these contests.

## Knocks Oakton, Herndon

Smashing Oakton, 79-21, "Hank" scored 22 points, more points than the entire Oakton team. Herndon met its second downfall at Marshall's hands. Dorothy again was top scorer, making 25 of the 55 points Marshall shot against Herndon's 35.

Like Herndon, Falls Church was mauled a second time, 43-20. Principle point-makers were "Hank" with 17 and Bonita with 16. Marshall's second loss came to Madison, 56-39.

The Statesmen pulled away in the fourth quarter and defeated Madison the first time around, 65-46, as Coach Smith's tough 3-2 defense kept the Warhawks in line. This key win was followed by another District victory, against Langley, 59-39, after totaling a 30-point lead.

## Title Miss; Romps McLean

The varsity suffered a crucial defeat losing to Falls Church, 67-48. After beating the Jaguars earlier in the season, Marshall could not gain enough momentum to overcome Falls Church and thus clinch the District title. But the cagers came back to destroy McLean for the second time, 87-55, with Coach Smith sending in second- and third-string boys at the beginning of the fourth quarter. Marshall took McLean earlier this year, 66-43.

## Sports Spotlight

## Page Brothers Help GCM Turn New Basketball Leaf

The Statesmen visited Madison and as victors took home the spoils—the first Great Falls District season title, and official acknowledgement of the priceless GCM possession of a spectacular "cage duet," wonder brothers Bob and Mark Page.

Marshall's basketball brothers play basketball for a living, so they say. Named "Most Athletic" by fellow seniors, Mark stated, "The team this year is the best ever, and the record shows it. Our attitude was pretty good, and this was the big thing." However, he notes,



Mark Page, 12, (left) and Bob, 11.

"A lot of times though, we were inconsistent, and that's when we lost."

The 6' 1" guard is playing in his third varsity year. Participating also in varsity football, Mark is as adept at offensive end as he is as a ball-handling quarterback for the b-ball team.

Junior Bobby, on the other hand, dropped football after his frosh year to devote full-time to the roundball sport. Playing as a sophomore last year, Bobby gained the necessary experience to remain a constant terror. He agreed with Mark, saying, "This team is No. 1. When we work as a team, nobody can beat us; but when we went 'individual' (a lack of team spirit) we lost games." Unlike his brother, Bobby looks forward to another varsity year at GCM. "Next year, the coach will have an even better ball club," he predicts.

At 6' 4", Bobby has proven himself under both the offensive and defensive boards. A strong rebounder, Bob leads the team in that department and in total scoring.

But the tournaments are still left, and the leather basketballs are not yet put away. GCM's "Dynamic Duo" will not cease to exist until they've wrapped it up, and as Bobby says, "only time will tell."

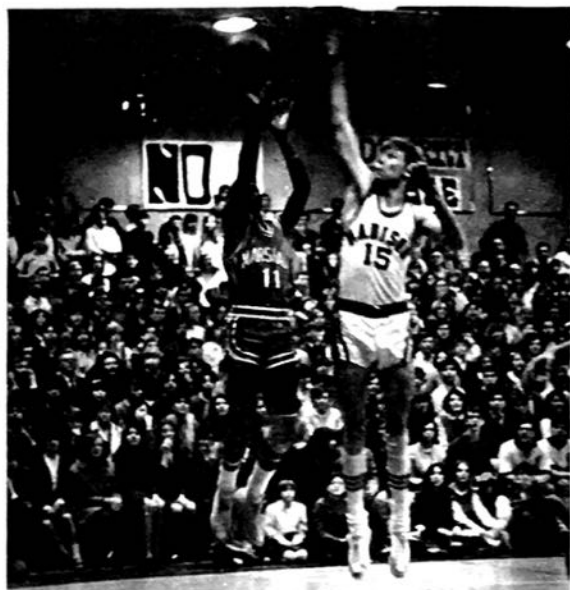
## District B-Ball

Great Falls District

	District	Overall
Final	WL Pct.	W L Pct.
MARSHALL	7 1 .875	9 9 .500
Madison	5 3 .625	12 6 .667
Falls Church	5 3 .625	10 8 .556
McLean	3 5 .375	4 14 .222
Langley	0 8 .000	1 16 .059
x-Oakton	- - -	5 12 .295

## x-plays JV schedule

Wins GCM:	Losses:
Mad. (2)	Edison
Falls Ch.	Williams
McLean (2)	Stuart
Langley (2)	Jefferson
Stuart	Annandale
Fairfax	Woodson (2)
	Falls Ch.
	Mt. Vernon



Varsity Freshman Greg Pearson leaps for two points against Madison's Roger Hatcher. Contrary to Madison's background signs, GCM took game and title.

## Jubilant JV

## 'Best Team I've Had,' Exclaims Coach Miller

by Jack Flynn

"It is the best team I have ever coached," lauds Coach Jim Miller, in praise of his 1967-68 JV basketball team, which finished a glorious season at 15-3.

In his first year at Marshall, following a 10-year term at nearby McLean, Coach Miller led JV to the school's longest winning streak and the record for most victories.

## Frosh Contribute

Three freshmen held down the starting lineup for the JV—brothers Dinky and Charlie Jones, plus Tony Pearson. Vince Carbaugh, 10, and Larry Deskins, 10, also entered the first string. Individual stars were almost non-existent, because, as one player put it, "If there were any outstanding players, they'd be on varsity."

"These guys were always up," Coach J. Miller observed. "They were a very balanced team and proved it by coming back from their opening defeat against Edison." After dropping their debut, the team defeated 14 straight opponents, ending with one loss in Great Falls District competition.

## Winners' Attitude

Coach Miller felt the "team's winning attitude" carried the team all the way, but his strong offense and dependable bench kept the JV at a winning pace all year. The exciting play brought fans to varsity contests 60 to 90 minutes earlier to view the preliminary JV romps over tough teams such as Madison, Falls Church, and Woodson.

In another "first" the JV cheerleaders presented the squad a shining silver trophy. The presentation was made following the Langley home finale. Coach Miller received the trophy, capping GCM's best JV to date.

## Falls Church in Silver Spring

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## Wrestlers Provide Tourney Excitement

Although only tallying a 6-6 regular season record, the varsity wrestlers have been making some strong individual showings in the important post-season tournaments.

From the results of last week's inter-district regional tournament, Marshall will send four grapplers to the State Tournament this weekend at Wakefield High School in Arlington. Representing GCM will be Jeff Johns, 127-lb.; Rich Ragan, 165-lb.; Jack Marshall, 112-lb.; and Gary Buchanan, 135-lb. Johns will be making his third trip to State in as many years.

Jack Marshall, 11, wrestled on the JV squad until he took Senior starter Ken Wolf's place in the District Tournament due to Wolf's weight problems at the 112-lb. level.

## High in District

Marshall originally sent grapplers in all but one of the 12 weight classes to the regionals last weekend. Seven of the 12 went to regionals seated either first or second in their divisions, the results of a highly successful District tournament at Madison. Seniors strongly dominated Coach



On the way to his third consecutive berth in the State Tourney Jeff Johns, 12, checks the clock before reversing his tournament oppo.

James Hoy's varsity this year. In the regular season, Captain Rich Ragan, in the 165-lb. class, led individual records with 8-2-1, while Gary Buchanan, 154-lb., finished at

7-3-1. Fellow Seniors Mark Z 120-lb., and Raj Richardson, 135 provided 8-4 and 7-5 seasons spectively.

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