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SCA Presents An Old-Fashioned Christmas

by Missy Manley

The spirit of "An Old Fashioned Christmas" will be created tomorrow night, December 19, as the SCA presents the annual Alumni Christmas Dance.

Beginning at eight-thirty in the cafeteria, the dance will feature the presentation of the 1970 Christmas Dance Court and the crowning of the senior girl select-

ed queen. Members of the court include Dale Anderson, Cheryl Gally, Missy Manley, Corinne Savage, and Jane Stiles.

The old fashioned decorations will carry out the theme of the dance. Included in these will be an ornamented Christmas tree, murals depicting indoor and outdoor holiday scenes, and a hearth-like setting for the court. "The atmosphere will be

very festive, cozy, and warm," says Jody Jaeger, dance chairman.

Continuing a tradition started two years ago, invitations have been sent to the alumni of Marshall.

Refreshments will be served in a tavern-like setting, in keeping with the theme. Entertainment will be provided by "Rock Lustre" and "Mandella."

Committee chairmen include

Marcia Asp, decorations; Lisa Bendorf, court; Missy Manley, programs; Maureen Doallas, refreshments; Missy Hughes, tickets and invitations; Bob Ellis, band; and Rick Egan, construction.

The First-Place Team



The It's Academic team: Jim Skalnik (captain), Tykie Tobin, and Martin Buchanan. (Not pictured is Roy Porter).

Adams Conducts YWCA Pollution Tour

On December 1, Barbara Adams, 12, conducted a pollution tour sponsored by the Fairfax County YWCA for students from Joyce Kilmer Intermediate High School.

Because she participated in the adult YWCA pollution program and tour this summer, Barbie was invited to lecture on the tour. She describes the program as designed to "acquaint biology students with environmental problems specifically in Fairfax County" and to provide the experience in conducting ecology studies on a first hand basis. Since this experimental tour proved successful, the YWCA hopes to sponsor additional ecology tours for grade school and intermediate students in order to continue pollution study on a county-wide scale.

Eakin Park, off Prosperity Avenue near Fairfax City, was the first site visited by the bus tour. Accotink Stream runs through the grounds and has been polluted by the Fairfax City Sewage Plant situated upstream. The plant is supposedly closed down, but wastes still enter the stream, and clean-up is predicted to take several years. Annan-

dale Community Park, the next stop, is trying to preserve the natural order of wildlife there. However, the park is overused because it is the only park in the county having a nature center like this.

Because of a high bacteria count, La'e Accotink, which is near Annandale, closed. The group examined two problems here: how difficult cleaning is because the lake has attained a highly polluted state where the only inhabitants are algae and carp, which can survive in any water; and how eroded top soil is filling the lake.

Pohick Treatment Plant in Lorton, the largest and most advanced sewage plant in Fairfax County, was inspected next. This plant has become the hope of the county for water treatment since an important third stage in water cleansing will be developed there in the future. The second step eliminates the large suspended matter, adds chlorine, and then pure oxygen which gives life to microbes that devour harmful bacteria. In the third stage, phosphates and nitrates, the nutrients of bacteria, would be taken out to produce purer water.

Two days later, Occoquan Reservoir and Fairfax County's landfill were visited. Occoquan is becoming a dying lake because of pollution, and an inadequate supply of drinking water because of population expansion. The problems pertaining to solid waste were observed at landfill.

What's Up

JANUARY 5: B-ball — Herndon (home), 6:00 p.m.

JANUARY 8: B-ball — Langley (away), 6:30 p.m.; Wrestling — Woodson (away), 6:00 p.m.

JANUARY 12: B-ball — Jefferson (away), 6:00; and Wrestling — Madison (home), 6:00 p.m.

JANUARY 15: B-ball — Oakton (away), 6:30 p.m.

JANUARY 21: Band Concert — 7:00 p.m.

JANUARY 22: B-ball — McLean (home), 6:30 p.m.

Lack of Cooperation Kills DIG

APATHY is an ugly word. Apathy denotes an uncaring, unresponsive attitude toward an activity that highly deserves support.

Such was the disposition of the one thousand-odd skippers from Marshall who caused the death of DIG. These same students are probably the ones who continually complain, "School is a bore!" Yet, when provided with a curriculum of relevant and interesting courses, these students did not care enough to take the opportunity to benefit from the experience, and did not care enough to support the project after the DIG Committee had put thousands of hours of effort into its preparation.

Was the administration justified in cancelling DIG? It appears the only answer can be "YES." DIG was not just cancelled because the school was losing government funds due to a very high absentee rate. DIG was called off because of student apathy; and a lack of student responsibility to undertake such a venture and to heed warnings that explicitly stated what would happen if apathy and irresponsibility prevailed.

The students and faculty who worked on and participated in DIG are to be congratulated for their support. The other students should be made aware that they not only killed DIG at Marshall, but more than likely killed any form of free school in all of Fairfax County for a long time in the future.

Is this the type of example Marshall students want to set?



U.S. Supreme Court to Decide On Issue of 18-year-old Vote

Approximately 15 million young Americans are awaiting the Supreme Court's decision on the 18-year-old vote legislation passed last June.

President Nixon signed the bill only because it was attached to an important extension of the Voting Rights Bill. He believes the measure to be unconstitutional because the Constitution leaves voter qualifications up to the individual states.

Congress bases its right to pass the law on the clause in the Fourteenth Amendment guaranteeing "equal protection of the laws." This basis rests on the fact that several states, such as Georgia and Kentucky, already allow young people under twenty-one to vote, and not permitting the entire 18- to 21-year-old population to cast ballots is termed as discrimination.

But does this variation in state law constitute discrimination? Does Congress have the power to stretch the equal protection clause to this extent? These are the questions now facing the Supreme Court.

It is hoped that the Supreme Court will hand down the decision as constitutional, and not force Congress to pass an amendment. Even if the law is declared unconstitutional, eighteen-year-olds *should* eventually be permitted the right to vote.

The qualifications for youth voting today far exceed the old saying, "If you're old enough to be drafted, you're old enough to vote." Many other provisions of law recognize the eighteen-year-old as an adult. Campus unrest illustrates the desire of youth to have a voice in decisions concerning his rights and his future. This storm created by the 18- to 20-year-old bracket has awakened political officials to the voting power held by this group.

Today's youth is better educated than ever before, and expresses more of an interest in politics than other generations, as can be seen by the large number of young people campaigning for political candidates. Many youths are married, and are in the labor market, thus facing adult responsibilities. For the majority, maturity is not lacking as our culture seems to pressure youth into accepting adulthood earlier.

Are we capable of accepting this responsibility by staying informed of the news on current elections in order to elect the best candidate? Will we demonstrate the same voter apathy characterizing a large portion of today's voter population or *will we vote*? These questions rest with you, individually.

Supt. Davis Praises Statesmen

Mr. John T. Broadus, Jr., Principal Marshall High School
Dear John:

You must be proud of the "Statesmen" and rightfully you should be. The coach and team proved this past Saturday that dedication to excellence can overcome many obstacles.

The team by the score alone proved its ability, but I cannot help but mention the marching units, cheerleaders and the student body in particular. Although I was not able to stay the entire game, during the time I

was there, the various student groups of Marshall High School represented the school with honor. They knew the rules of and indeed practiced good sportsmanship. Certainly it can be said, the Marshall "Statesmen" exhibited the qualities of a championship school.

Best wishes for the continued success of the "Statesmen."

Sincerely,
S. John Davis
Division Superintendent

G.C.M. Faculty Letter Questions Post Report

Editor's Note:

The following letter was sent to the Washington Post regarding their reporting of the Northern Virginia Regional football game.

Editor
The Washington Post
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,
At a recent George C. Marshall High School faculty meeting the Washington Post report of the Marshall-Edison football game for the Northern Virginia regional title was discussed. There was general agreement that the article was extremely unjust, and inaccurate in all but the factual details.

The opening sentence—"Marshall, the puniest football team in Northern Virginia, took a physical beating in every area but the scoreboard . . ."—is totally inaccurate, and a disgraceful comment to make about a championship team that played a fine game. Puny—by dictionary definition and generally accepted interpretation—weak, feeble or futile; undersized and weakly; insignificantly small. As to the physical beating, two of the three Marshall injuries referred to in the article were cases of wind being knocked out, and the players were right back in the game; the other was a

sprain. Edison also had two players carried off the field. Marshall has a fighting, spirited, strong team—not a puny team; and it did not take a physical beating any more so than Edison's team.

Edison's faculty and student body probably have no higher regard for this article than is held at Marshall. Comments such as "Edison was guilty of another flagrant foul," and the report of the player being ejected because he "smacked a Marshall defender" lead to the suggestion that Edison lost because of poor sportsmanship. These are high school students, their excitement is high in a championship game, they make mistakes. But flagrant, (conspicuous in a reprehensible way), no. Edison has a fine football team; they had a bad day, but not in the way it was reported in the Post.

The students at both schools have been proud of their teams throughout the year, and still are. A report which demeans the accomplishments of the last game is like a slap in the fact which is not deserved and which they should not have to endure. We hope that such reporting, so callous to the students' feelings, will not again occur.

A. C. Gallaher, for
Faculty, George C. Marshall High School

Misko and Jones Selected as Statesmen for December

Chosen as this month's Statesmen of the Month are Kathy Misko and Bob Jones.

Kathy has been very active at Marshall since she was a freshman. She was a member of the freshman cheerleading squad and cheered on the J.V. squad as a sophomore. She was also secretary of her class during her sophomore year. A member of the NJHS as a junior and presently a member of the NSHS. Kathy ranks seventh in her class. She served on the Columbian staff during the 69-70 school year and is now assistant editor.

Bob has actively participated in sports at Marshall. During his freshman year he played frosh football and basketball. Also as a freshman he played on the J.V. baseball team. As a sophomore he played J.V. football, basketball, and baseball. In the 69-70 school year Bob played all of these sports on the varsity team. So far this year Bob

has played on the varsity football team. He is acted as being one of the most outstanding players on defense, making six regular season interceptions. He is presently playing varsity basketball.

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Ines and Chris experience an American Christmas at Tyson's Corner.



Dolf's Dozen

The trend in business now is restaurant franchising. Recently, Dolf decided to open up his own place, Spatulas' III, located in a suburb of Manely, Minnesota. Herewith are the specialties of the house.

Sandwiches and Plates

Spiro Hero—A sub with a lot of baloney

Martha Mitchell—Loads of Roll 'n' Tongue

Arnold Palmer Steak Plate—Comes with plenty of greens, par boiled, we cook it to a "TEE"

Jim Nabor's Roast Beef Sandwich—"Pyled High"

Joe Namath Corned Beef—Comes with a "Blitzin'" you can eat it on the run

Lloyd Bridges Fish Dinner—All you can eat but you must watch the scales

Presidential Platter—Elephant steaks now, but our head chef may switch to donkey in 1972.

Drinks

Eldridge Cleaver—Black Label on the rocks or soul on ice

Winchester—Whisky in a shot glass

Manhattan—A good Cocktail, but our Indian bartender charges you \$25.00

Harold Stassen Apple Pie—Fresh yesterday (1948)

Ralph Nadar Lemon Pie—Formerly served in Detroit auto factory cafeterias.

Chris and Ines to Celebrate First American Christmas

Ines Padilha and Chris Gjendem are celebrating their first American Christmas, and find many differences in Christmas traditions here and those in Norway and Brazil.

"Of course in Norway Christmas is always very, very white," says Chris. "We put up street decorations in the beginning of December."

"Christmas Eve is always spent with the family. We go to church in the evening and then come home for a big dinner: usually ribs of pork, sausages, potatoes, vegetables and wine. In other areas of Norway, the meal consists of special fish dishes, or lamb."

"After a large dinner we sing Christmas Carols, have cookies, coffee, and fruit, and place our gifts under the tree. About this time, one member of the family will disappear and Santa comes with gifts for the children."

"New Year's is not so quiet. There is much drinking and many parties, which gradually converge at midnight in the center of the town, where everyone embraces everyone

else, even strangers, and fireworks are set off. About 1:30 or 2:00 a.m. the cold drives everyone back to the parties, and that marks the beginning of a New Year."

"Christmas is the beginning of summer in Brazil," says Ines. "We put up our decorations early in December, and decorate our tree about two weeks before Christmas."

We also have a big dinner

Christmas Eve, about 10 p.m., with the family. Afterwards, we attend Midnight Mass, then return, open presents and have a party with friends, food, wine, and games.

"New Year's Eve is a more important holiday to teens. The parties begin about 10:00 p.m. At midnight, we run to the nearest beach to throw a coin in the ocean and make a wish."

GCM's 40 New Mothers

The Tri-Hi-Y club at Marshall is now supporting an Indian orphan. Kathryn Christine Six, a nine-year-old Indian of Cherokee descent, lives on a Cherokee reservation in Oklahoma.

Kathryn's family background has been marred by poverty and hardship. Her father is unskilled and it has been impossible for him to find regular employment. Her mother does all of the work and can hardly support the family. Although Kathryn is nine years old, because of poor education and learning techniques, she is only in the second grade.

The Tri-Hi-Y started supporting Kathryn during the month of October and will continue to support her indefinitely. They obtained her through the Christian Children's Fund in Richmond. The organization has access to American orphans and orphans from other countries.

Kathryn is being supported through funds from the Tri-Hi-Y treasury. They will send her \$12 each month as well as gifts, off and on throughout the year.

Spokesman for the club, President Naomi McCarter comments, "The whole club is very excited about supporting Kathryn and we all look forward to watching her progress throughout the year."

Traditional Christmas Concert Set

On December 17, the choral department will take time out of its busy schedule to present the annual Christmas Concert.

Under the direction of Mrs. Mary Craig, the program begun with the Concert Choir performing a 17th Century antiphonal production. An antiphonal gives the effect of a stereo by having two groups of a choir sing from either sides of a stage. An accompaniment was supplied by a small pipe organ and a few other instruments. Singing various traditional and contemporary Christmas carols, the Madrigals, Concert Choir, Girl's Ensemble, Mixed Chorus, and Girl's Chorus followed the antiphon. Adding

to the Christmas atmosphere, huge stained glass windows decorated the stage.

Mrs. Craig is very proud of her Madrigal group, who has been asked to perform at various functions over the holidays. Some of the more prominent places are the Ellipse, American University, the Marriott Hotel, McLean Baptist Church, and Tyson's Corner. The group also plans to make a Christmas recording for WMAL radio.

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Drama

by Martin Buchanan '71

She appeared on the stage,
Head thrown back defiantly,
And with her eyes she mocked me,
As she played both love and rage.
As a fiery, bitter wench
The essence of vendetta,
Against a pre-set drama,
Condemning her to morning,
Trapped with a twisted few,
In some Dantean private hell,
To relive endless madness,
Where sanity's temptation,
Is to exalt degradation.
An endless obscene love,
A panorama of murder,
A woman perpetually mourning,
Her lover's bastard son.
And then the little girl,
Innocent in the garden,
And the wench who walks with her,
Hand in hand in the sunlight.
But always I will see,
That little corpse lying,
Mid a landscape of carnage,
And the wench condemned to weep,
Forever by the child she loved.

I Love You . . .

Bruce &
Merry Christmas
Love, Kath



Merry Christmas
Alan...
Love Donna

Do You Really Care?

by Kathy Neithers
Possessiveness
conceit
prejudice
pride
hate
closed-minded
boastfulness
deceitfulness
apathy—
the core of it all
For who cares if I die
except me?
And who cares if I cry
but me?

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Freedom House Cares

And the burdens of my world
are on my shoulders
For no hand is there to
Help
No soul is there to
Care
And no tears are shed for
me
except by the angels in
Heaven
When I
DIE
I'll cry too,
For all the tears I
did not shed
For it will take
Death
to teach me
to learn to
care
for someone else
besides
me.

Debbie Reynold '71

Nole

by LuAnne Origer '71

Irving Goldberg looked up from warming his hands over the tin can stove that stood in the snow.

"You must be doing a pretty nice little business here, Irv. I'll take that spruce over there; the one for \$8.00." The man shoved a handful of bills into Goldberg's hand and disappeared into the darkness, carrying his tree.

"Merry Christmas," Irving called after him. He looked around his small lot and was satisfied to see he had sold most of his Christmas trees. Maybe four more and he could close up shop for another year. "A pretty nice little business here, indeed," thought Nole, a skinny northern pine standing alone, off to the side. He shivered as the cold night wind swirled snow across the lot and around the trees. "If it gets much colder all of my needles will fall off and then no one will buy me for sure. Not that anyone will take me now, anyway." It was the night before Christmas Eve and with all of his friends gone Nole was very lonely. "Christmas is the time when no one should be lonely," he said sadly, to himself. "And here I am, all alone. I guess I'll just never get to be decorated with shiny ornaments and little blinking lights. I'll just miss Christmas forever . . . if only my friends were still here . . . but they're all gone.

Skipper Scotch Pine had been the first to go. It was about two weeks ago when a short fat man with three little kids came and bought him. Nole could see him now; standing in their bay window sprayed with snow from a can, maybe even gold glitter. Skipper's lights would shine and reflect off the glass ornaments they had hung on his branches. And best of all, his feet would be surrounded with presents of all sizes and colors lying silently in wait for the children on Christmas morning. Nole thought how happy he would be to stand in someone's warm bay window, decorated with glass ornaments.

A few days later, Nole's other friend left when the sexton of the

town's cathedral came to select a tree for the front of the church. He took Phineas N. Fir, a very tall and regal tree with spreading branches. Phineas was the deepest of deep pine colors and right now he stood towering skyward in front of the cathedral. He was lighted by gold and white lights, with a star atop; elegant in his simplicity. All who saw him would stand in reverent awe at his solemn grace. "How magnificent to be so plainly beautiful," thought Nole. "How happy I would be to have Phinny's decoration."

There had been others, friends of Nole's, but they too were chosen and taken away to become a part of someone's Christmas. "It won't be long now, Irving will take the rest of us and dump us somewhere in the snow. To be forgotten . . . never to know a real Christmas . . ." Nole stopped as a man walked onto the lot.

That man was Pastor Jesson who ran the church orphanage. He was loved by the townspeople and the children because he was a happy man, always willing to give what he had. He was a poor man; very poor and now, the night before Christmas Eve, he came looking for a tree, any tree he could get for their parlor at the orphanage. The children's Christmas would not be complete without a tree. Irving knew the man had no money and so he said to take any tree he wanted. After all, there were only three or four left. When Nole heard this he stopped shivering. Hope started to warm him. It was just a little chance but he stood up straight and tall and when the Pastor came by, Nole looked him straight in the eye and grinned. Pastor Jesson saw the taller, bigger trees on either side but then he pointed to Nole and said to Irving, "I'll take that one. It's got . . . CHARACTER." Together they put Nole in the back of the Pastor's old station wagon. Soon Nole found himself in the warm parlor of the orphanage.

On Christmas Eve, Nole stood in the parlor surrounded by Pastor Jesson, his wife and all the children. That afternoon they had worked hard making his decorations. They had no money for such frills so they strung popcorn garlands to strew on his branches. Gingerbread men hung from chains of tinfoil and strings of shiny red cranberries. On the very top a bent tin star reflected the glow of the fireplace. Nole stood as they sang carols he thought of proudly in the middle of them all. Skipper Scotch Pine decorated with his glass ornaments. And he knew he was happiest of them all because he was decorated with love.

The Choral Department wishes you a very



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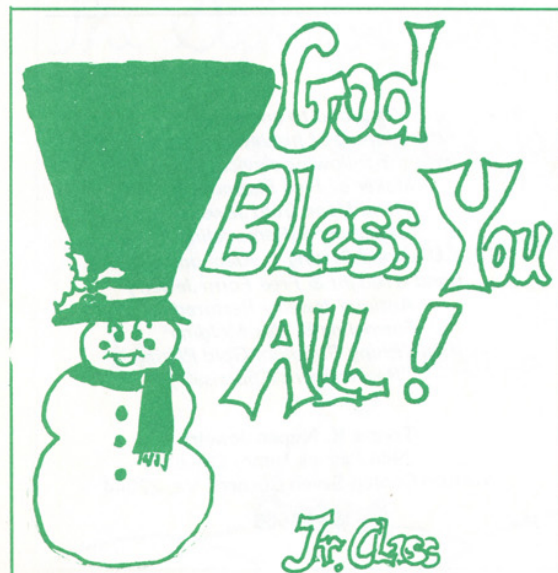
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Santa Claus is a Pig

by Mike Eversmeyer '71

Ah Christmas . . . the decorated stores . . . the gift buying . . . "the most wonderful time of the year"—it is enough to make me sick to my stomach. Now don't get me wrong: I'm no Scrooge; I've nothing against Christmas, or gifts, or expressions of love. The problem is that, as Americans are wont to do, we have horribly overdone it, and the result is a season of unparalleled greed and love-grubbing.

You don't hear too many complaints about the commercialization of Christmas anymore, simply because commercialization has won such an overwhelming victory. It's everywhere. Stores put up their Christmas decorations before Thanksgiving. The media count down the number of days, shopping days, before December 25. Banks urge you to start a Christmas Club savings account starting with December 26, so that you can save for a whole year the money that you'll spend during our Christmas month. Stores are invaded by mass-produced Santas and are over-decorated with every Christmas cliché in existence: stars, candy canes, snowmen, etc., etc. But you can't expect them not to try to get all the money they possibly can, can you? Make no mistake about it, Christmas is a gold mine; the stores gladly pay obeisance to the "Christmas spirit" because it means "sales and profits" for them. Santa Claus is a pig.

Most people today have lost sight of the purpose and meaning of gift-giving; I believe that a new perspective is necessary. A gift is an expression of affection, of love. Therefore since it is a very personal thing, only some object which is part of myself will have meaning as a gift. This can be something that I can make, or write, or say, or do, as long as I am giving part of myself to another. Giving then becomes a substitute for love, instead of its expression. In some people,

moreover, present-giving betrays a desire or demand for love: "I bought you something; you should, therefore, love me." This is commonly called bribery. In this way the feeling arises (and it is definitely present in most people) that I have to buy him a present because he is going to buy me one. Why, don't you have the "Christmas Spirit"? And you must be happy, whether you are or not, or run the risk of being labeled "anti-social."

Of course I believe in Christmas, but not in the absurdity I see around me this December. I believe in a Christmas that is personal, meaningful expression of real love, in which everyone participates as they wish from the untampered security of their true feelings. That is what Christmas is about.



Memories

by Barb Brownell '72

Christmas Day
And there are no glass balls dangling
from a tree.
There is not a wreath upon the
door,
Not a stocking on the mantle . . .
There are only memories.
And the memories form within a
mind
Of a small grey figure slumped
before a fire.
The figure does not knit
Because its hands are withered,
fingers bent with age.
It nods.
The wisps of grey do not cover the
shoulders.
They match the ashen look beneath
the eyes.
It is ashen look a look of death?
But no, there are memories upon
which to feed,
The basis of life when one grows
old.
Ah, it nods.
The hollowed caverns slowly open,
They see.
But not the famished greedy flames
That leap, devour, and flourish.

They see a merry clan before a fire
And review within the mind
A Christmas tree with shining balls,
A wreath upon the door,
A stocking on the mantle.

Have A CHEERy,
Holiday



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A link of arms,
A clasp of hands.
An everlasting circle—
A wreath without end
A symbol of eternal
friendship.

The Holiday Homecoming

by Jim Schepmoes '72

The white wispy snow lies
Virgin on some Virginia field,
Cold December has returned
With Christmas on its mind.

You and I have gone home

now, happiness instilled on our
fashionable faces.

Relief from a relentless
world of education at hand.

And after Christmas has
come and gone,

The Christmas spirit and peace
for mankind shelved for
another year.

We'll find once again that
praying for peace just
isn't enough.

Charles Andrew Pierce

Your Thoughts Could not be Worse

by Poe Leggett '71

A natal hymn relieves my fears
For once I knew a Holy Dread,
Secured in me by prophesy
The way I met the Christ held dear
By multitudes. And ageless seer
Inspired my soul with harmony.
The weak were stewards in my stead

And left me bitter through the years.
Miracles encompassed by their
So futile still His deeds heroic
stride!

And never to repent their ways
I meekly let my zeal subside.
How strongly quaint this scene
appears.

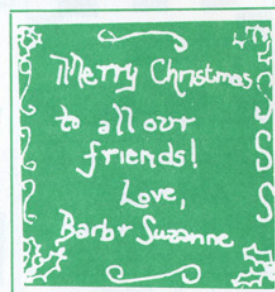
The Gothic forms inst'll a sense
Of déjà vu within my Self.
Our faith is decades in arrears.
Yet left unchallenged by our peers,
Oh, fill the coffers, resplendent
wealth
Of tenacious, blissful ignorance!
And leave us be to wipe our tears.
Forsaken by my Savior crucified
I wandered through the ages stoic.
And bold men came and went
their ways
The more they heard the less they
tried.



MAGES

The F.H.A.

wishes GCM a
Merry Christmas



The Sophomore Class
wishes you all the joy
peace and happiness of
this holiday season





Campus Life Arrives at Marshall

At a recent SCA meeting, a new organization was introduced to a group of Marshall students. Since then, interested students have been discussing "the coming thing"—Campus Life.

"What is Campus Life anyway?" Campus Life, an organization not affiliated with the school, was designed to bring high school teenagers together by means of regular but informal meetings, provocative discussions, and lots of "way out" activities. It's open to all students, and there are no dues or membership requirements. Under the supervision of experienced civic, church, and business leaders, Campus Life improves teenage understanding through the sharing of ideas and beliefs.

Among the activities sponsored by Campus Life are tug-o-wars, giant pillow fights, hearse and tub packs, a wild goose chase, and man hunts. The famous pie-in-the-face machine and electric chair add variety to the meetings.

George Washington's birthday party is an annual Campus Life event. A group of teenagers from

various area high schools spend a day in the mountains playing football, eating, having a giant push-ball war, racing to the top of the mountain, and other festivities.

Other activities include "Bug nite," an area Volkswagen competition, an "A Scream in the Dark."

where over 500 teens get together to present the most thrilling haunted house experience ever. With the assistance of Area Director Ron Jenkins, Campus Life hopes to organize a club in the Northern Virginia area in January 1971. Be listening for more details!

Marshall Gymnastics Swings Into Action



The George Marshall gymnastics team has been selected and is preparing for their upcoming season.

Directed by Miss Carter, a coach from a different school, the girls practice two hours each night for three nights a week. The final establishment of routines will lead to future events including the mid-January W-L Invitational Meet, in which all the schools of the region are invited to participate. Following are the county, regional, and state meets.

The girls comprising the team are Judy Carlton, 12, Marsha Cunningham, 10, Debbi Dunn, 11, Lynn Leonard, 9, Lynn Fitzpatrick, 10, Mina Hyson, 10, Margaret Kealey, 11, Cindy Knowles, 10, Cindy

Miller, 11, Carole Murray, 10, Chris Napier, 9, Oma Renfro, 10, Debbie Stewart, 11, Lucinda Thomas, 12, and Tykie Tobin, 12.

The majority of the team is presently in the beginning category from which they perform compulsory routines. The activities of the year involve floor exerciss, vaulting, tumbling and exercises on the uneven parallel bars and balance beams.

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Juniors Attend Science Symposium

A science Symposium sponsored by the University of Virginia from December 6 thru December 8 was attended by Marshall Juniors Mary Ann Wilson, David Cross, Debbie Rody, and John Sumser.

Being selected on a basis of interest, in science, scholastic ability, and general attitude, the participants found that the symposium's purpose was to expose students to a first-hand impression of college life and vocational opportunities in the field of science. When the students arrived at the University, they were given questionnaires which were filled out according to the fields in which they were most interested.

After choosing from courses in medical science, nuclear engineering, physics, chemistry, and biology, they attended courses and lectures pertaining to their preferred areas. In the afternoon, they were given the opportunity to engage in research activities and to observe the detailed process of research as performed by graduate students. Included in the schedule was a panel discussion entitled "Man and Technology" in which it was determined that technology is not the answer to all man's problems; it was expressed, however, that thorough understandings of human nature and of the English language are necessary to improve the environmental habitat and lessen the communication barrier.

While living at UVA and experiencing the activity of campus life, the students gained not only a greater knowledge of science, but also that of the college routine. Among the enthusiastic remarks of

Marshall's representatives were, "The symposium at UVA was fantastic! The equipment for facilitating the wants of the students of science and engineering was very extensive." And "This symposium has really helped me in making my future decisions on colleges and careers."

Summing up the worthwhile experience, chaperone Mr. Logan stated, "Students felt this program invaluable in providing an actual insight into choosing a life's vocation, and the realistic approach the symposium took in creating a humanistic regard for the students left a favorable impression upon each participant."

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The Fairfax County Department of Recreation will operate a Sunday Youth Center at Marshall from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. starting Sunday, December 6, 1970, and continuing until March 28, 1971, except for December 27 and January 3.

This program is for intermediate and high school age youth and will consist of basketball and volleyball free play in the gym. Registration is available during program hours and gym shoes are required. For further information please call the Fairfax County Department of Recreation at 691-3291.

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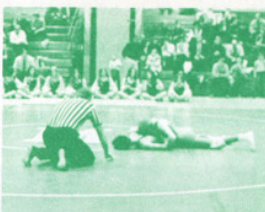
Statesmen Off to Slow Start; Meet GW Tonight



Varsity Grapplers Open '70-71 Season

by Tom Young

Marshall's Varsity Wrestling Team opened its 1970-71 season with a tough loss to Lee. "Inexperience at low weights," as head wrestling coach Everett Cloud put it, was Marshall's eventual downfall. The Statesmen dropped the 98, 105 and 112 pound weight classes to trail 11-0 after the first three matches. In the 119 pound class, however, Bob Bonner came back from a 4-2 deficit to win 5-4 with a takedown in the last three seconds. In the 126 pound class senior co-captain Mark Rubin pinned his opponent after only 1:03 of the first period to cut Lee's lead to 11-8. Marshall went on to drop two of the next three matches and trailed 19-10 when Doug Naquin took the 155 pound weight class to make the score 19-13. George Caras, wrestling for the first time, and having only two and half weeks of practice was defeated in the 167 pound class and Marshall trailed 22-13, needing pins in the 185 and Unlimited classes to win. Co-captain Danny Little pinned his man to make the score 22-18, but



GCM dropped the Unlimited Class and the match 25-18.

J.V. Wins

The Junior Varsity squad opened its season on a brighter note, defeating the Lee J.V., 32-18. Bob Barton opened the match with a GCM victory in the 98 pound class and Kevin O'Neill took the 112 pound class. Sophomore Dennis Naleppa pinned his man in the 126 pound class and another sophomore, Lance Arnold, took the 132 pound class 6-3. Steve Heilburn was the next victor by 5-1 score. Bob Willis won 8-6 in the 155 pound weight class and Vince Arbelaez clinched the win by pinning his man with 39 seconds left in the second period. Bill Pullman finished the match with a pin to bring the final score to 32-18 for Marshall.

Name	Weight Class	Class
Glenn Skillman	98 lb.	Freshman
Mike Serabian	105 lb.	Sophomore
Chuck Hoffarth	112 lb.	Freshman
Bob Bonner	119 lb.	Junior
Mark Rubin	126 lb.	Senior
George Manakus	132 lb.	Junior
Dave Petrye	138 lb.	Senior
Frank Berzak	145 lb.	Junior
Doug Naquin	155 lb.	Junior
George Caras	167 lb.	Senior
Danny Little	185 lb.	Senior
Jim Murray	Unl.	Junior

Everything costs something. This year Marshall has learned that the cost of a Northern Regional championship in football is a slow start for the basketball team. After dropping their opening contest to Falls Church, 67-49, the varsity Statesmen will play host to the powerful George Washington Presidents tonight. Results of Tuesday's game against Washington and Lee were too late to report in this issue.

Against Falls Church, the Statesmen showed the effects of only two weeks of full practice. Five of the ten players in the game had played on the championship football team. In addition, All-District forward Dinky Jones was unable to play, because he was being honored at the Pigskin Club of Washington's Award Dinner as an All-Metropolitan running back. Another setback for Coach Smith's team was the loss of the Pearson brothers, Greg, Muskie, and two-year starter Tony.

Against FC, the team did not have a coordinated attack, and the defense, which has been Marshall's strength in recent years, was ragged. There were too many turnovers and fouls. Fielding one of the smallest teams in GCM history, the Statesmen were sadly lacking in rebounding power.

From the opening tap, Marshall's troubles were reflected in the score. At the first quarter mark, Falls Church led, 15-8. The

Jaguars spurred to an 18 point lead midway through the second quarter and coasted the rest of the way. At the half, the score was 39-21, and after three quarters, 52-35. A valiant effort by senior forward Charlie Jones cut the margin to 11 points in the fourth quarter, but then the attack fizzled. Jones sank 19 points to lead all scorers.

Marshall will have its hands full tonight with perennially strong GW. The Presidents looked good in their opening win over Madison, showing a tough defense and scoring potential.

JV Loses in Overtime

The JV lost its first game to Falls Church, 67-64, but only after extending the Jaguars to an overtime period.

The Statesmen were down 31-27 at the half, but Jack Clark's two free throws put Marshall ahead 45-44 at the end of the third quarter, coolly popping jumpers, usually Clark Coates led the charge by from the same spot on the floor. Coates' two free throws and 17-foot jumper made the score 55-50 with 2:07 left. Mike Oliff sank a free throw which would have given Marshall a 56-54 lead, but a Statesman was caught in the foul lane too soon, and at the buzzer it was 55-55.

In the overtime, the team was hurt by costly fouls and turnovers and quickly fell behind.



SPORTSFOLIO

by Corinne Savage



Senior Dan Little, who has lettered seven times in various sports at Marshall, credits his mother for his athletic success, saying, "I just want to thank my mother for being so rough. She taught me all I know." If this is true, Mrs. Little has done a fine job.

Danny began his career in fifth and sixth grade as quarterback for his school league in Texas. In seventh grade, after moving to Hampton, Virginia, he was State Champion in the 50-yard free-

style swimming competition for boys aged 11 and 12, also winning a trophy as "High Point Swimmer" (the one who accumulates the most points for his team). The next year, Danny played offensive and defensive tackle on his first championship football team and was awarded a trophy as "Most Valuable Lineman." In ninth grade, Danny lettered on the Varsity swim team, which took the State Championship, was awarded "Most Valuable Swim-

mer," and was himself State Champion for the 50 and 100 yard freestyle competition for boys aged 13-14.

At this point, the Littles moved to Vienna, Virginia, in the vicinity of George C. Marshall High School. His first year as a Statesman, Danny lettered as offensive guard, winning the title "Most Valuable Player." He also wrestled the unlimited weight class, finishing second in the Great Falls District and lettered in track.

As a junior, Danny went both ways, playing offensive and defensive tackle. He lettered again in track and was District Champion for his weight class in wrestling.

This year, Danny was on his third Championship team, again playing both ways for the Statesmen. He was named to the All-District, All-Southern, and All-Metropolitan (Star rating) teams.

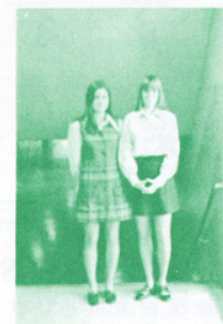
With the beginning of wrestling practice, Danny lost 25 pounds "after Thanksgiving dinner" to weigh in at the 185 pound weight class. He feels this year's wrestling team has a great deal of potential. "A lot of the guys went to the Granby Wrestling Camp this summer. We should have a good season."

Danny plans to attend prep school next year, and then go on to college. He hopes to play football in college and would like to play professionally later. If he doesn't play pro ball, Danny would like to be a seal (?). "Not a seal, a SEAL—the Navy equivalent to the Green Berets. It's an underwater demolition force," he explains.

Danny sums up his personal attitude on sports and life with, "The biggest thing is to have the right amount of faith in yourself; not conceit, just believing in your worth."

Cathy Brock, Annette Martin, Terri Scheid, Debbie Davis, and Denise Shrader are the freshmen on the team. Managing the J.V. team are Edna Smith and Robin Boyd.

According to JV coach Miss Terry Conroy, "The fact that we have a lot of girls returning to JV from last year should aid greatly in making a strong team."



Co-captains Lynn Trichler and Nancy Vincent.

Girls B-ball Starts Season

by Sharon Knapp

Girls Varsity Basketball opens its season on January 8, 1970, against Falls Church.

Girls competing this year on Varsity are Jane Bishop, Mimi right, JoAnne Blum, Barbara Horn and Carol Krueger. Sue Smith, Lynn Treichler and Nancy Vincent are on Varsity for their third year. Linda Bordi is the only senior new to the team. Juniors on the team this year are Karen Berg, Emily Farmer, Belinda Henry, Linda Hudson, Anne Lockhart, and Donna Gillian. The managers of the team are Kathy Riberio and Cathy Jenkins.

Varsity Coach Miss Mary Haskins states, "I have a great group to work with. All the girls are good and if they continue to work together we should have a winning season."

The J.V. team has started practice also. Six girls are returning to the team from last year. These are Jill Brown, Patty Brownell, Jackie Caldwell, Sue Katona, Dawn-Rae Rodgers, and Cheryl Ross. New members are sophomores Pat Brizze, Ann Downing, Katie Everard, Denise Hodges, Debbie White and Donna Foskey.

