



drawing by Martha Negley

SHAMROCKS, LEPRECHAUNS LIVE!

"In the night time we go about the country into people's houses and we clip little pieces off their money, and so, bit by bit, we get a crock of gold together, because, do you see, a Leprechaun has to have a crock of gold so that if he's captured by men folk he may be able to ransom himself. Only now and then are we caught; but men are fools, and we always escape without having to pay the ransom at all. We wear green clothes because it is the color of the grass and the leaves, and when we sit down under a bush or lie in the grass they just walk by without noticing us."

Leprechauns, clay pipes, blarney, and green are worldwide symbols of Ireland—a country whose fascinating fables have been passed from age to age. These fables are most often

considered on St. Patrick's Day, a saint's feast day carrying connotations of the day of the "wearin' o' the green," the magic shillelagh, and of the "wee folk" or leprechauns.

St. Patrick, the apostle cherished for over fifteen-hundred years by the Irish, is pictured as a white-bearded bishop banishing a wriggling snake or displaying a shamrock as an illustration of the Trinity. St. Patrick actually did neither of these since there were never any snakes in Ireland and he felt that the shamrock was an inadequate illustration of the Trinity, only using it as a symbol of the cross. The Irish, however, have invented romantic situations to describe their hero of great conviction, energy, acharity, and practical sense, as in this blessing made during the kneading of bread:

The luck of God and the prosperity of Patrick on all that I shall see, and on all that I shall take. The luck that God put upon the five loaves and upon the two fishes may be put upon this food.

Although March 17 is set aside for St. Patrick, it is more often considered a day of the Irish in general, and a special day to ponder the reality of leprechauns... "and if you are lucky enough to come upon one, draw close to him without making a sound, then take him in your grasp and ask him where the crocks of gold are hidden. Insist upon his telling; do not let your mind be dissipated by his talk. In the end he will cheat you; he will say or do something to distract your attention, and when you look again, the leprechaun will have disappeared."

Traffic Accidents Number 1 Killer

In spite of nationwide campaigns to encourage traffic safety, automobile accidents are still the number one killer of the American teenager.

March 20 through 24 has been designated as Traffic Safety Week and a number of projects have been planned to promote safe driving.

To begin the week, on Monday a Safe Driver's Test will be given to all interested students. Those with acceptable scores will be qualified to receive Good Guy Stickers. This project, to be sponsored by the Keyettes, is a new one here at Marshall. Any car displaying the Good Guy Sticker may be stopped at any time by a policeman or Keyette and awarded a Good Guy ticket if all is well. A carbon copy of each ticket will be placed in a box from which one will later be selected and a prize awarded. On Monday an assembly will be held for juniors and seniors. The agenda will include a talk by Officer Molene, accompanied by various displays of wrecked cars and a short film showing Marshall students leaving the parking lot on a typical afternoon.

One afternoon during the lunch shifts, a breath van may visit Marshall with a demonstration of new techniques in alcohol content investigations. The van stands by until a call comes through announcing an accident in which the officer in charge feels alcohol played a part. It then rushes to the scene and can immediately test and conclude if alcohol is present; this differs from the old

method of finding a registered physician to test the driver's blood, allowing time for some of the alcohol to be burned up.

Thursday and Friday, various machines will be set up in the cafeteria, open to student use. The machines test reflexes, perception, and peripheral vision. Literature will also be available. After school one day, policemen specializing in motorcycle driving will offer helpful safety hints concerning cycle driving.



Helping to get the week long project underway are Marshall's representatives to the 20 member Fairfax County Interscholastic Safety Council, senior Vince Arbelaez and junior Karen Lybrand. The Council is sponsored by the Fairfax County Police Department to aid in cutting down teenage traffic accidents.

What's Up Special

March 17: Saint Patrick's Day
March 18: Junior Class Donkey Basketball, 7:30 p.m.
March 20-24: Safety Week
March 25: International Banquet
March 27: Maynard Ferguson, 8:00 p.m.
March 30: Soccer at McLean, 4:00 p.m.
March 31: School Closed—Easter

Maynard Ferguson, an internationally renowned jazz musician, will give a concert in the GCM auditorium Monday, March 27, starting at 8:00 p.m. The George C. Marshall Concert Jazz Band will also present its own musical program. Tickets are on sale for \$3.50.

For more on Maynard Ferguson, turn to Cultural Corner on page 4.

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Freeman Joins School Board

by Stan Murphy

For the first time in the school system's 100-year history students are represented on the Fairfax County School Board.

Paul Freeman, a senior at Herndon High School, was named by the county's Student Advisory Council to assume the responsibilities of full-voting, full-salaried school board membership. The February 22 nominating convention, at which he was chosen, was held at Fairfax High School.

Eighteen year-old Freeman is the fifteenth student in the nation to be seated on a board of education. According to a statement by the National Education Association, he is the first to be accorded full voting privileges, and a salary equal to that of adult board members.

Seventeen candidates sought appointment to the post during the day-long selection process. Freeman received the convention's nomination on the fifth ballot when he polled 72 of a possible 100 delegate votes. Running on a platform which included elimination of life-time tenure for teachers, he charged, "As it exists now, teachers in Fairfax County possess life-long job security. I'd like to see quality controls in education. I'd like to see student input in teacher evaluations." Freeman proposed a study to find alternatives to "the current tenure situation".

He told a convention audience of 400 students, "My top priority is

changing the learning environment in the classrooms—not smoking lounges... One major problem in the classroom is that of substitute teachers. The periods spent with a



substitute are a waste of time. When a teacher is sick, the replacement usually comes in and baby sits." Freeman suggests utilizing school administrators as substitutes "to bet-

ter acquaint them with problems within the classroom".

"Traditionally, the school board has been a board of reaction," Freeman claimed. "There is reaction to staff recommendations, reaction to SAC proposals—just reaction. I feel the time has come to instigate certain changes—to act."

In addition to serving on the Student Advisory Council, Freeman is president of Herndon's student body and vice-president of the Herndon High School Parent-Student-Teacher Association. He is a member of the National Honor Society, Social Sciences Honor Society, and last year was the recipient of an "outstanding teen-ager award". The "B plus" student plans a career as a social studies teacher "on the secondary level" and as a school administrator. His confirmation to the school board position was handled routinely by the county Board of Supervisors.

DIG Moves To College

Editors Note: The following is reprinted from a public relations notice from Hampden-Sydney college in Virginia.

Four Hampden-Sydney College students, seeking to introduce new techniques in the teaching-learning process, have established Project "DIG" (Dynamic Intra-Student Growth) on the historic campus, the College's first experience with the "free college" concept.

The free college concept is not new, but has been increasing in popularity across the country in recent years. Local proponents of the idea actually got interested in the plan last year when a similar program was inaugurated by students at nearby Longwood College.

To allow as much interaction between the student bodies and faculties of the two institutions and offer a broader range of courses the two groups have pooled their efforts for the current semester and are offering classes in fifteen different areas, with additional courses expected to be added later.

Classes are generally held one night per week, with participation open to members of the immediate college communities. The length of courses varies, some meeting only a few times, others meeting the entire semester. Class attendance is optional, and none of the courses lead to academic credit.

A 1970 graduate of Marshall, Wayne McAllister, is presently a sophomore at Hampden-Sydney and is serving as co-ordinator for the program. He is very optimistic about the appeal the program has had and the opportunities it offers. "We feel that it will motivate students to a greater awareness and appreciation of education, utilize untapped resources in both community and the college, and bring about a closer relationship between students and faculty."

With classes already underway, Wayne notes that the initial interest in the program has been excellent, with an increase in participation expected. Automobile care and maintenance has proven to be the most popular course to date.

Senior Field Trip Planned

by Sandy Compton

"Registration field trips" are now being planned by several area high schools in order to encourage 18 year old students and those students who will be 18 before election day, November 4, 1972 to register to vote. These are trips organized by the individual high school, to the Tower Building in Fairfax City in order to register to vote.

Since 1972 will be the first year in which every 18 year old citizen is eligible to participate in the Presidential election, Fairfax County high schools are doing their part by ar-

ranging these trips with the county Registration Board to help the 18 year old take advantage of his new right.

JEB Stuart was one of the first high schools to make this trip. On February 29, 1972, 200 students travelled to Fairfax by bus and registered to vote. The trip has been pre-arranged and booths were set up in the lobby of the Tower Building where the students registered. For the remainder of the day, they toured the various departments and bureaus of the Fairfax County gov-

ernment which are located in the Tower Building.

Until such a field trip can be organized and arranged at Marshall, below are listed four registrars in the Marshall area and their telephone numbers. Appointments to register can be made with the following ladies: June Jaeger, 893-8580; Mary Moriarty, 534-8762; Frances Griffith, 560-6258; and Maureen Adams, 560-0287.

The Fairfax County public libraries are also open every Thursday night until May 11, 1972 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. for the purpose of registering to vote.

G.C. Marshall English Program Blasted

After ten years of solid reading, writing, and grammar, the Marshall student is given a "break".

Juniors and seniors are told that the plain-old-every-day English program is actually a waste of time, and then they are given a list of various creative English courses from which they may choose those which will best stimulate their minds and enhance their learning experiences. Literature, poetry, social dilemmas, and semantics courses are among the choices taught each quarter, and every student should leave Marshall enriched by what he has learned in these classes; the case, however, is quite different.

Although the English department may be recognized for its original ideas and efforts, has it realized that it is perhaps pushing them a bit too far? Upon entering a class, a hopeful student is often confronted with a teacher who knows next to nothing about the course. Yes, it's a wonderful opportunity for the teacher to "learn along with the kids", but isn't this cheating a student out of the education he needs and would enjoy if the class provided definite and useful information?

This teacher ignorance, of course, is not always the case, and those who are taught by the teachers who know something are satisfied. But what about the unlucky ones? For these, classes are entered, some teachers waste time talking about personal matters—dogs, children, motorcycles, and others just say, "This is your class—

what do you want to do with it? I'll give you a few ideas, but I'm not going to guide you." Then, some students might read a book to discuss in class while the others sleep—A nice nine-weeks' waste.

A teacher's reply to this would be, "In any class you'll find those who want to work and those who don't." This is true, but the number of interested students can be raised if the teachers will take more time to study the subjects they are planning to teach each quarter, that they may present them in new and more interesting ways. And, instead of finding a spur-of-the-moment teacher for a spur-of-the-moment course each quarter, why not offer a specific variety of courses each year and give each teacher an opportunity to learn about his subject during the summer? This way, his classes would not be used as guinea pigs, and the effectiveness of his summer-devised methods would increase with each quarter.

And what about the students who need and want a traditional English course? Many have voiced their need for grammar and spelling classes which will help them through their college studies or post-high school occupations. Of course, those who most need these courses would be more prone to vote for an elective class where they would not be forced to work. But because high school is partially responsible

for supplying a student with an adequate education, these students should be given their due training. It may seem painful at the time, but why doesn't the teacher bestow a little pain now to help the student avoid it later?

Students who have shown a need for basic English courses should be given such, while those who are more advanced and have expressed a wish for more varied classes should be offered such—but only those from which they may profit.

It's nice to have variety, but variety minus quality equals nothing. Teacher specialization in no more than two fields of interesting and helpful English would lead to satisfaction on the part of student and teacher, thus causing less hassle and greater knowledge gains for deserving Marshall scholars.



Letters To The Editor

Keyette Club Sponsor Replies:

Cites Rank And File Ignorance

We all find ourselves involved in a period of extreme criticism, defensiveness and, certainly, questioning. Although a good portion of these attitudes is justifiable and well-founded, I often wonder how much of it is due to a readiness on our part to criticize without a basic inside knowledge of the accused. If people would take the time to take a second look, from both sides, perhaps we might not all be floundering in defeat. The song says it well, "Walk a mile in my shoes."

If Rank and File were to walk just a few paragraphs in Keyette shoes, perhaps it might not as easily condemn and thus not take advantage of its readers by giving a generally biased and unfounded condemnation of something they know too little about.

Financially, this has been a busy year for Keyettes and a lucky one for its beneficiaries. They have had innumerable fund-raising projects—from washing cars and baking cookies to making file cards for the English Department. This money has been put to "relevant" use. Part of the money goes to Jacqueline, an Indian orphan adopted by the club. \$180 was given to the March of Dimes, \$50 to UNICEF.

Keyettes have also volunteered their services to your community. Each week several girls help at the Falls Church Day Care Center. They offered their services to Ecocyte before the program was even presented to the school, and

they have planned a Carnival for elementary children in the Falls Church-Vienna area in order to donate money for the National Project which supports Dr. Jim Turpin in his international medical efforts.

It is difficult to think of projects for Marshall that might benefit everyone in the entire school; does the newspaper? I'm sure that it tries and with the publication of each issue it has this in mind; so do the Keyettes. Although not everyone from Marshall attended the Sadie Hawkins dance, a large number of people did. I doubt that they begrudged the existence of the dance which cost each member many personal hours in its preparation. Keyettes have also ushered at various evening functions at school, served breakfast to the teachers in January while the rest of the student body was enjoying their day off in bed, and are planning a Teacher Appreciation Week. They have voiced their willingness and readiness to Pastor Bill Rosenow, the Ecology Club and the World Civ. classes to help in any way. What more can you ask?

If I tended to put the blame upon Rank and File for its lack of sensitivity, perhaps I should admit part of the fault which lies with Keyettes for not publicizing their activities more. Maybe it has become necessary in our society to toot our own horns, lest we be snowed under with criticism.

Mrs. Fitzpatrick
Sponsor, Keyettes

Dear Editor:

Recently I had the pleasure of returning to my beloved alma mater, and took occasion to visit old teachers, talk with classmates, and above all else, pick up a copy of the *Rank and File*. As a former writer with R&F, and a novice college journalist already too familiar with the burdensome task of assembling student news and publishing a newspaper, I would like to take this opportunity to commend you and your staff for a job well done.

As difficult as it is to present an informative and entertaining outlet for some 2500 students, (in tabloid, no less) you have come through with shining colors.

Best wishes and hopes for continued success to the R&F, who are truly a first place newspaper—Columbia Press Association award or otherwise.

Cordially,
David M. Mobley
Sports Editor
Orange and Black
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Barbourville, Kentucky

Seniors Wait For June 8th

For Marshall's Class of '72 a high school career is coming to a close. At last there are only three months till graduation.

Many seniors are not too sure of the upcoming events, the times and places. For these students and any frantic government and English teachers, we would like to supply some information.

The final day for seniors, the last day of school is June 7. Final exams for seniors will be given during the week before graduation. Baccalaureat services will be given on June 5 at Columbia Baptist Church. The graduation ceremony itself will be at Wolf Trap on June 8;

there will be a reception afterwards. Caps and gowns for which seniors have already been measured will cost \$5.50 and will be disposable.

The traditional Senior Prom is set tentatively for May 20. All seniors are invited and all Juniors who have purchased class cards will also receive invitations. Seniors will, as is tradition, receive their yearbooks about one week before underclassmen.

Wolf Trap has eighty-three days to prepare for a graduation ceremony; for on June 8 the Class of '72 will take its final bows.

Students' Pride Wanes

Did you know that it costs a little over \$2 million a year to run Marshall High School? This, of course, does not include the 10 to 15 thousand dollars taxpayers fork out to pay for losses due to vandalism and theft.

Since the beginning of school in September, some Marshall students (and some outsiders) have done a marvelous job of tearing this place apart:

The new screens which were put in the bathroom windows with the hopes of keeping smoke out, were slashed up within a day after being installed. And students are still begging for a smoking lounge. . . .

If you happen to be strolling in the science hall (or any other hall, for that matter) notice the brilliant literature which has been scribbled on the walls, lockers and doors. Either these walls have to be scrubbed and repainted, or the obscenity will remain indefinitely.

The ceiling by the auditorium is a disaster area. Light switches and fixtures have been ripped off the walls so that loose wires are hanging out. Not only do these wires look bad; they are also dangerous.

Have you noticed the wall in the front of the school? At one time (not so many years

ago) it read "George C. Marshall High School." Last spring it read "eo-g -ar-h-4-g- s-ho-". It now reads "....". You can hardly blame the SC Building and Grounds Committee for this blunder; after all, if the letters were replaced, they would probably be torn down in minutes flat. Why not just leave the wall empty?

Fairly recently, a school board member visited GCM with the intentions of speaking to a group of Marshall students. Before she even arrived, the microphone was stolen (ironic, huh?) and later the amplifier disappeared mysteriously.

The first day the new wooden direction signs were up, someone took the liberty of tearing one of them down, then ripping it in half. The thought that this school just might have something nice must have been too frightening.

Perhaps I am being a little unfair in my accusations, since all Marshall students are not involved in the "District GCM Project". Those students who still care about this school can show their pride and responsibility by discouraging acts of vandalism, by reporting them if they happen to be around when vandalism or theft is taking place, and by not taking any part in this childplay. Right?



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Thespians Sponsor Plays

It seems to be that time of year when the drama department at Marshall is busy, busy, busy. The department is preparing for district competition, field trip presentations, and an interpretive dance program. They are just completing work on the One Act Play Festival.

The G.C.M. Thespians have just finished their presentation of A Festival of One Act Plays. The plays were cast, staged, and directed by Drama II students. Said Mrs. Odorizzi, drama advisor, "I consider it an amazing accomplishment for any at the age of 16 or 17 to direct an entire play."

The sixth annual One Act Play Festival was begun about one month ago with cast tryouts. Open tryouts were held for all interested Marshall students. "For many of them this is their debut," said Mrs. Odorizzi.

The results of much practice were produced February 25, March 6, and March 8 with much success. The plays presented were *Cinderella*, *The Stolen Prince*, *Treasure Island*, *Charlie Brown*, *The Tape Recorder*, *The Night Nurse*, *Bringing It All Back Home*, *The Apollo Of Bellac*, and *A Visitor From Mamaroneck*.

This year the drama department is planning a new innovation; a first in Fairfax county. On March 15 and March 22 they plan to take four of the children's one-act plays on the road. "Have Play Will Travel" will visit 32 elementary schools in Fairfax county giving the plays during assemblies.

blies. The four plays to visit will be *Cinderella*, *The Stolen Prince*, *Treasure Island*, and *Charlie Brown*.

"We received an immediate response from most elementary schools. We're extremely glad to feel welcome and wanted," explained Mrs. Odorizzi excitedly as she reviewed the upcoming event. "If it works out well we will go on the road every year."

In addition to these other projects Mrs. Odorizzi is directing *Please, No Flowers*, an interesting play with an unusual funeral parlor setting. This play will be presented in district competition March 9 and 10. If the play receives a superior rating the troupe will travel to Richmond for further competition. Special thanks were expressed to Mr. Gotay, Mr. Dove, and the Repair and Maintenance class who helped build props and design sets.

Drama is also working with the Choral Department to present the *Dance Of Death*. Costuming in this production will follow the medieval vein. The production which will include singing and interpretive dance will be presented March 12.



The cast of *The Stolen Prince* takes time out during the play to have a cup of tea.

Modern Pieces Featured

An exciting variation on "Life and Death" will be presented by the Choral and Drama Departments tonight in the GCM Auditorium at 8:00 p.m.

Marshall's Concert Choir and Madrigal Singers will sing mostly contemporary pieces while the Drama Department performs the dialogue and dance in costumes.

Zimmerman's lively "psalm-konzert", featuring bass guitar, trumpets, and vibraphone, will be contrasted with "A Dance of Death" by Hugo Distler.

Three pieces on reincarnation will follow. The Madrigal Singers will perform motets on old age which were written by Washington composer Robert Evett.

This Sunday the Choir and Madrigals will perform "A Dance of

Death" at the Trinity Lutheran Church.

Three Marshall Students Chosen for All-State Choir

Three of Marshall's Concert Choir members have been selected for the All-State Mixed Chorus. The musicians acquiring the honor are Alto Lenore Lessig, 11, Tenor Guy Manning, 11, and Bass Mark Derrick, 12.

These students were among singers from 28 areas high schools who auditioned for one of 20 positions in the choir. Lenore, Guy, and Mark also sang in the All Regional Choir.

The All-State Choir will perform on May 23 in Blacksburg, Va.

Basses Jim Roberts and Ray Ramakis, both juniors, were selected as alternates.

Arbelaez's Service Recognized

How can one person possibly occupy 24 hours of his day for four years and have absolutely no free time? "Well," explains senior Vince Arbelaez, "it's not that hard; for four years I have had no free time."

However, when examining Vince's activities during his four years at Marshall, it is quite easy to account for his time.

As a freshman, Vince plunged immediately into class activities, representing his class in both the Inter Club Council as class Senator and the House of Representatives as home-room representative. He also started his sports career at Marshall by participating on the freshman football squad and the Varsity track team. In recognition of Vince's achievements during his freshman year, the faculty awarded him the Most Outstanding Freshman Boy award.

CONGRATULATIONS NEW TRI-M MEMBERS

The Modern Music Masters have accepted twenty-one new members. Try-outs were invitational and the applicants had to take a written exam as well as perform using their musical talents.

The newly inducted members are Cathy Conger, Marty Schlemmer, Judy Morris, Kati Ling, Dave Warren, Denise Hodges, John Albertson, Mike Gotay, Martin Firth, Carol Tidwell, John Watson, Jim Nogle, Jim Roberts, Mary Ann Kellan, Mike Farley, Vicki Squires, Lenore Lessig, Linda Prossie, Mindy Manley, Kathy Boiles, and Sue Nelson. Rank & File would like to congratulate these students on their achievement.

Vince's enthusiasm did anything but decrease as he entered his sophomore year. Still serving his class, Vince headed the Construction Committee for the Sophomore Class-sponsored Sweetheart Dance. However he put the greatest emphasis on sports. He was a member of the Varsity football squad, Varsity track team, and JV wrestling team. Vince was also initiated into the Key Club.

When most upperclassmen begin to lose interest in school and its activities become old, Vince only increased his participation. In many people's eyes, Vince made his biggest contribution to the school during this year. He was one of the three students who launched the very successful Campus Life at Marshall. During this year Vince found time for sports, participating in Varsity football, Varsity track, and JV wrestling. Once again he represented his class in the Inter-Club Council as class Senator and in the House of Representatives as homeroom representative. Vince also became the Junior member of the Safety Council and represented Marshall at the National Safety Council Convention at Oklahoma State University the following summer.

It appears as if Vince never hit the unavoidable "senior slump". This year he is serving as Senior Class vice-president and heads the Safety Council. He is also participating for his fourth year on the Varsity track team.

After exhausting one's time reviewing Vince's many activities, one wonders why he gives up all his free time for such projects.

"Well," explains Vince answering this puzzling question, "in the beginning, as a freshman, there was so much school spirit and it was everyone else's enthusiasm that prompted me to get involved."

The Jazz Age explores the literature, as well as the cultural and social background of the "Roaring Twenties" era.

Classics Revisited investigates some of the great literary experiences of the past, from Aesop's *Fables* to *Brave New World*.

The Victorian Put-On gets it on with the novels, poetry, and essays of one of the most diverse periods of English literature.

Culture Shock is designed to acquaint the student with some of the adjustment problems that minority groups face in modern American society.

Transcendentalism: From Emerson to the Beatles (or American Transcendentalism?) involves the study of the philosophic/literary movement of the same name, and the influence it has had on Western thinking.



Vince continues, explaining, "after getting involved, I really enjoyed working with all sorts of people, so I stayed with it." Vince explains, "in the immediate future, such as this summer I want to travel, maybe to Canada, but this fall I hope to go to University of Virginia and go into some type of social work."

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Marshall's Musicians Go On Annual Exchange Trip

From March 23 through March 26 Marshall's Concert Band and Stage Band will be traveling to Lynn, Massachusetts for this year's annual band exchange trip.

The sixty students who are participating in this year's exchange trip will be staying in the homes of students in the Lynn High School. Besides their performances various

activities such as visits to Concord and Lexington, Massachusetts have been planned for the band members. They will also be visiting The House of Seven Gables, The Boston Museum of Science, The Boston Popular Orchestra and Shore Drive.

The Concert Band and Stage Band will be performing the following pieces for the first half of their performance: March Juno by John Stewart, Doccata For Band by Frank Erickson, A Festival Prelude by Alfred Reed, Pageant by Vincent Persichetti, Brach Odessey by Saul Feld Stein and Ballet Parisien by Jacques Offenbach. The second half of the program will consist of both the Lynn High School Band and Marshall's Bands performing together.

From April 13 until April 16 the Lynn Massachusetts High School Band will be coming to Marshall for the second half of the Band Exchange Trip and they will also be staying in the homes of Marshall band students.

TEENS SPONSOR 'KITETHON' FOR RETARDED YOUTH

The Teens for Retarded Youth will be sponsoring a "Kitethon" this Sunday at St. Anthony's Church. Students are asked to support this activity by pledging a certain amount of money for every minute a child can keep his kite up. Perhaps a certain amount could be contributed for the prettiest kite.

Profits will go to the youth division of the Virginia Association for Retarded Children.

The rain date will be April 16.



Marshall students enjoy a relaxing ride on New York's subway.
photo by Bob Basham

Rank & File Wins First Place Title

The *Rank and File* newspaper was awarded a First Place Rating at the Forty-Eighth Annual Columbia Scholastic Press Association Convention in New York City.

Student journalists, representing the *Rank and File* and the *Columbian* accompanied by their respective sponsors, Mr. Patrick McCarthy and Miss Claudia Chaille, attended the three-day event March 9, 10, and 11.

The largest gathering of editors in the world assembled at Columbia University to exchange ideas and experiences. Delegates attended general sessions, and chose from the more than 150 special one-hour interest areas, special features, clinics, and round table discussions.

Among the noted journalists presenting and leading these sessions were Judith Crist of the Today Show, New York Magazine, and TV Guide; Jerry Footlick, Newsweek; William Laforce, Baltimore Sun; Nick Gage, New York Times; James Welch, Washington Evening Star; Joe Musial, Katzenjammer Kids Cartoonist; James Roch, New York Times; and William Atwood, Newsday.

Along with attending meetings, Marshall students enjoyed an interesting tour of the New York Times building. There, they were able to see

the newspaper as it is made, and also some famous columnists in action.

Thursday evening was highlighted by a hearty meal at the Austrian restaurant Weinerwald. Such exciting dishes as Weinderschnitzel and Saurbraten were completed with some old Austrian favorites; Apple Streudel and pastries. Dinner was followed by the Broadway show "Follies", a nostalgic musical about the Ziegfeld Follies of the 1920's and 30's.

Friday was spent at the University and surrounding area, pursuing individual interests, listening to lectures, and attending workshops. Dinner became an interesting experience at the Japanese Benihana Palace. The entire meal was prepared before the guests by skilled chefs and served in true oriental fashion. The rest of the evening included riding the Staunton Island Ferry and visiting Greenwich Village.

The Convention came to a close at the banquet held Saturday in the Grand Ballroom of the Commodore Hotel. Shopping and packing occupied the rest of the afternoon before leaving for home. Saturday night, Marshall's Journalists returned from a week-end of sightseeing, fun, and learning.

Ferguson Makes Music With Jazz-Rock Concert

Maynard Ferguson—"The world's most exciting trumpet sound"—who first shot to fame with the controversial "Stan Kenton Orchestra" in the spring of 1950, was born in Verdun, Quebec, Canada on 4th May, 1928. He began his musical training at the age of four, when he began to learn both piano and violin. At the age of nine years, he attended the French Conservatory of Music in Montreal where he took up all the saxophone family plus clarinet and slide trombone, finally settling for the trumpet.

Maynard formed his first band when he was fifteen years of age and was possibly the world's youngest bandleader—the average age of his sidemen was 30 years.

In 1948 Maynard started to work in the U.S., firstly with Boyd Raeburn's Big Band and then Jimmy Dorsey and Charlie Barnet.

After leaving Stan Kenton in 1953, Maynard was first-call trumpet man for Paramount Pictures in Hollywood. He formed his first American band which was centered at "Birdland", the now defunct New York jazz club. This band was known as his "Birdland Dream Band" and it contained the cream of the New York sessionmen.

1956 saw Maynard on the road with a new band of young-up-and-coming musicians, with whom he continued travelling until autumn, 1967. At that time he disbanded and signed with Harold Davison to tour England with an all-star British Band which was billed as "Top Brass".



Also in 1967, he formed, with a business partner, his own musical instrument company in Bradford, Yorks, where trumpets, mouthpieces, etc. are produced.

While visiting Manchester, he met a long-time fan and trumpet-player,

Ernie Garside, who, at the time, owned the now-legendary "Club 43". After telling Garside he would like to remain in England, they formed together the fore-runner of the band that Maynard now leads with great success in England and the Continent. Tours of Sweden, Holland, Germany, Italy, Belgium, Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia followed—as did numerous appearances on television including "The Simon Dee Show", where he was the resident guest spot.

The group is officially titled "Maynard Ferguson, his Trumpet & Orchestra." All 17 of its members are British. They will present a jazz-rock program at Marshall on March 27 starting at 8:00 p.m.

They are scheduled to give a two hour performance. However, Mr. John La Cava, Band Director, says that it may last up to three and one half hours as it did when the band played at Langley High School last fall. He also noted that the concert was completely sold out and that people sat in the aisles just to hear the music.

Mr. Ferguson and his orchestra have also recently appeared at the Baltimore Civic Center where they received rave reviews.

Twenty Big Buddies With Project Touch Program

The spring session of Project Touch has recently begun. Several Marshall students meet each Saturday at the Charles Wesleyan Church in McLean with about fifteen children from the nearby elementary schools.

For two hours the group meets with children who have problems in school or learning handicaps. The 20 students from G.C.M. play games, sing songs, take hikes, and just enjoy themselves "being buddies". The group takes annual field trips to the

District of Columbia Zoo, an amusement park called the Enchanted Forest, and the D.C. train station which includes a 20 minute ride to Alexandria.

Chairmen of the Project are Patty Flynn, 11, Edna Smith, 12, and Kathy Jones, 12. Those students who are interested in helping with Project Touch should contact Edna Smith in homeroom. The Project Touch school sponsor is Mrs. Rorer. The area coordinating is done by the W.Y.C.A.

Chairman Patty Flynn said, "I'm really glad there's a program like this. The children profit from it as well as the Marshall students."

Students film-makers in grades nine through twelve are eligible to compete in the fourth annual metropolitan area film festival at Rockville High School on May 19 and 20. The film competition, formerly held at Washington and Lee High School, will be judged by renown film critics and film-makers. Winners of this competition will receive large audience and press recognition as well as prizes.

Interested film-makers can secure an application form or more detailed information by writing to: Mrs. E. Staufenberger, Librarian, Rockville High School, 2100 Baltimore Road, Rockville, Maryland. All applications must be received by May 1.

Interview Day Offers Jobs

To aid seniors seeking full-time employment after graduation, April 19 has been designated as Job Interview and Placement Day.

On this day some 35 representatives from local business, federal agencies, and national corporations will be present in the library for students to come and discuss possible employment positions. The different representatives will set up displays at

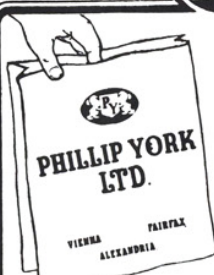
the various tables, describing exactly what types of jobs are available. The students are then free to go around, talk with the employers with whom they are interested, and even fill out job applications.

Students who qualify for participation will receive a special pass and information concerning the businesses to be represented at least a week in advance. This will give him

time to obtain a pre-arranged absence from his second and third period class, and to determine which companies he would like to look into.

Job Interview Day is not a presentation by which students learn of various fields. Its purpose is to find the individual a specific job at which he can begin working after graduation. Even if a student does not find a particular job which interests him he will receive experience in being interviewed and will learn the various needs and working conditions of different businesses.

It is impossible to hit upon every student interest, but the guidance department feels its selection of representatives is wide-ranged. The jobs available include secretarial, sales, and technical positions.



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Pastor Gets Reactions



Jack Jones directs an Ecoycle Center in the area.

Pastor Bill Resenou's lecture on recycling materials that are being thrown away and placed in landfills has had favorable reactions with many students and faculty members.

Mrs. Margaret Fitzpatrick, an English teacher at Marshall, has been recycling her trash while working with Pastor Resenou in expanding eco-cycle by communicating the problems and solutions. Mrs. Fitzpatrick commented on the reactions of students, "We're all human and we react most consistently to a problem that affects each of us directly and personally. It's too difficult to project

ourselves into the future and be worried about an ultimate inevitable disaster when we have so many problems that affect us personally today. Thus for the most part, the students' reaction of concern and oaths of change are short lived."

Many students care about their environment, but are still willing to let others do the work. The work is time-consuming. Materials which are capable of being recycled must be cleaned and separated for the recycling centers.

Mrs. Wright commented on the situation. "Parents sometimes discourage students because they don't want to change old habits."

A sizable amount of money is expected to be donated to recycling centers from the Club Grant Program. "We welcome and support this type of activity as much as possible," asserted Stan Murphy, Marshall's Student Council President.

Junior Bob German commented, "I think the students will react favorably to recycling when they find a few centers closer to their homes."

A few communities in Fairfax have reacted by asking members of the community to save materials which can be recycled. Committees pick up the materials and take them to the centers. So far, not enough

people have been cooperating to make this effort worth while. The Vienna Environmental League has set up a recycling center on Mill Street and has asked that different communities take care of the center one weekend a year.

One problem that recycling centers have encountered is that people who have been trying to help by taking their trash to the centers, fail to clean or file the materials correctly.

Mrs. Colleen Wright, another English teacher, has been attempting to get away from landfill services and is also encouraging students to get involved. Mrs. Wright stated, "After discussing the problem in class, more students seemed interested. The problem is that interest tends to decline."



Donna Gordon empties bags at Ecoycle Center.



From L to R: Linda Clausen, Debbie Sheppard, Cindy Bourne.

Students Tour Italy

On Thursday, March 30, Juniors Cindy Bourne, Linda Clawson, and Debbie Sheppard will leave on a ten day trip to Rome and Florence.

This voyage to Italy over the Easter holidays is sponsored by the American Classical League, a national organization. More than 450 students from the Metropolitan Washington area, Maryland, and Richmond are taking part in this program.

The school was originally contacted about the tour through the Latin Club which is affiliated with the League. Although the initial applications were sent to the club, further business was directly conducted with the individuals who chose to make the tour.

Besides the usual activities in preparing for a trip, Cindy, Debbie, and Linda have all learned some Italian.

The girls will depart at 1 p.m. March 30, on a bus from Columbia Island Marina in Washington for New York. They will then go to JFK airport where they will catch an 8:30 p.m. Italian Airlines' flight to Rome.

Highlights of the tour will include going to see the Forum Romanum, the Colosseum, Hadrian's Villa, the Villa d'Este in Trivoli, the Circus Maximus, Vatican City, and the Sistine Chapel. The students are also scheduled to go to St. Peter's Square to hear the Pope's Easter Message.

April 7 and 8 will be spent touring Florence and Pisa. The next day Cindy, Debbie and Linda will return to Rome. That evening they will depart for home.

In commenting on the trip the girls stated, "We're looking forward to meeting the people. We get to go off on our own one afternoon and have a chance to see the real Rome with an unbiased view."

"I'm really excited because this will be my first trip to Europe. I'm anxious to visit St. Peter's and the Vatican and to see other art objects I studied last year in World Civ."

Senior Relates D.C. Trip



Mary Ann Alford

"Picture yourself in a small audience in front of General William Westmoreland, Senator Birch Bayh, or the Indian Ambassador to the U.S., with complete freedom to ask any questions you desire, and you have an idea of the opportunities offered to me as a participant in 'A Presidential Classroom for Young Americans'. Other opportunities included the chance to meet senators and congressmen, to attend sessions of Congress, and to sit in on Committee hearings.

"A Presidential Classroom for Young Americans' provides a week-long, concentrated study of U.S. government, through personal involvement and contact with the institutions and leaders of the nation," she explains.

"It was really great," adds Senior Mary Ann Alford, who spent the week of February 26 thru March 4 at Washington, D.C.'s Shoreham Hotel where she met 270 other student representatives from all parts of America.

After rooming with four girls from Utah, Indiana, Texas, and New York, she feels that she has had an "introduction to all parts of the country."

"As Marshall's first female representative to the Classroom, I became more aware of our government's problems, I gained a greater understanding of the workings of our government, and I came to understand the human aspect of being a member of our government. Though our officials are making mistakes, they are generally trying to do the best they can in the only way they know how. In addition, I came to the conclusion that our government can be changed and improved, through correct channels and methods, to ensure a safe, happy place for us all to live; but, this takes interest and cooperation from every citizen of our country, and not criticism without constructive suggestions.

"One of the most interesting aspects of the week was meeting kids with similar interests from various parts of the country. Many lasting friendships were created and I learned many things from this experience, including the latest western slang.

"The major part of the program was conducted through seminars—22 in all. These consisted of a speaker, generally an expert in his field, speaking for half an hour, with the remain-

ing hour being left open for a free question and answer period. At times, these proved to be very deep and probing experiences.

"Not only were many educational opportunities offered to us, but we enjoyed many cultural opportunities, too. Many chances were given to participants to become acquainted with the city, and although I was more acquainted with it than were those from California or Utah, I enjoyed these times and once again became aware of all the interesting opportunities in our nearby city. Then, the last night, there was a banquet at the Kennedy Center after which we all saw the musical, 'Lost in the Stars'.

"All in all," concludes Mary Ann "I found it to be the most interesting, stimulating, influential, and fun experience of my life. I wouldn't have given it up for the world. It was a hectic, fast-paced time, but great—it'll take me two weeks to assimilate everything to which I was exposed."

AFS Finalist Waits

Carolyn Frazier



Carolyn Frazier, a junior at GCM, has been selected as a finalist for the AFS Summer Program.

In the Program Carolyn will study abroad for ten weeks. While studying, she will be staying with a family in that country. Presently Carolyn is anxiously waiting for word on what country she is going to. It could be one of sixty different countries.

Carolyn's application is being studied so that Carolyn will be placed with a family that is suitable for her. That is, a family that has similar interests and has the most in common with her.

If a family is found for Carolyn, this summer will become an exciting adventure for her. In this foreign country, wherever it is, Carolyn will not only study the language, which she hopes will be French, but will also get a taste of the country's style of living and culture.

According to Carolyn, "It doesn't really matter what country I go to. Any country would be a learning experience." Yet, secretly, she expresses a desire to go to Europe; there's a greater chance that she would be speaking French there.

The only thing to do now is wait. Waiting is going to be hard for Carolyn. "I'm sure my friends are tired of hearing me talk about the trip, but I'm just so excited about it," she said with a smile.

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"Improved Defense...Pitching" Marks 1972 Varsity Baseball

The G.C.M. Varsity Baseball Team faces the 1972 season with hopes to improve on last year's third place finish.

Pitching is Strongpoint

Head Coach Jim Miller feels that pitching should be a strongpoint. He stated, "We should have improved pitching because four of our pitchers have a year's experience behind them." Returning from last year's 11-9 squad are Ray Smith, 12, Dave Kuhlman, 12, Scott Schwemley, 12, and Steve Cardwell, 12. Tommy Davis, 9, rounds out the pitching staff. Smith led the team with a 7-4 record last year. He also hits well and may play another position when he isn't pitching. Culman had a 2-2 record and Cardwell was 1-0.

Coach Miller is faced with a problem that all other coaches envy. He must choose between Rayme Roth, 12, and Jeff Bush, 11, for the catching slot. Both are excellent players and one will probably end up playing another position.

Improved Defense

Coach Miller feels that, "We should have an improved defense, especially at shortstop and third base. Sophomore Larry Caynor is the only player trying out for first base. Caynor led the Junior Varsity in home runs and runs batted in. Either Bush

or Roth may also play first base. Gary Smerdzinski, 11, will probably start at second base. However, he is being challenged by Jack Moritzkat, 10, Jack Clarke, 11, and Tom Goeller, 11.

The leading candidate for shortstop is Mike Morina, 11. Rick Knight, 10, is giving Morina a battle for the job. Sophomore Blair Flynn may start at third base. Mike Miller, 10, is also a candidate for that position. Miller is a versatile player and can play almost anywhere.

Outfield Battle

The outfield battle could be the most interesting to watch. Al Boudreau, 12, was the teams leading hitter last year with a 0.344 batting average. Eight other players will be battling Boudreau for centerfield in addition to the two other outfield positions. Juniors Charlie Payne, Mike Culhane, Mike Atalla, Mike Burke and Bill Leonard should be valuable outfielders this year and next. Sophomore Mike Holmberg and freshman Tom Davis should lead our outfield in years to come. Payne and Culhane are returning from last years varsity. Atalla, Burke and Holmberg played Junior Varsity last year and Holmberg led the team in batting average.

"We'll Be Competitive"

When asked about Marshall chances to grab the District Title Coach Miller responded: "We'll be competitive."

Perennial district champion Madison stands squarely in the path of the Statesmen's championship hopes. The Warhawks have lost their superstar pitcher Jay Franklin to graduation and the San Diego Padres. You can't lose a player of Franklin's calibre and not be hurt. Madison will be decidedly weaker but will still field a strong team. Roger Neighborgall is an excellent pitcher but cannot replace Franklin. Oakton will also field a strong team. They placed second in the district last year.

Coach Miller feels that, "Our biggest weakness is hitting." If we can improve in this area we could have a very good team.



Ray Smith pitches to Al Boudreau as Rayme Roth looks on.

Statesmen Seek Tennis Title

There are nine excellent players vying for six top positions this year in Varsity Tennis. Each has shown a desire and willingness to succeed in bringing Marshall the District Title in tennis.

Contending for the six top positions are Mike Liotta, 12, Jeff Arnold, 11, John Farmer, 10, Greg Benson, 12, Danny Kesner, 11, Brent

Barner, 11, Mario Espinosa, 10, Walt Howes, 9, and Jerry Dameron, 12.

There are more than thirty athletes out for the team, while only fifteen will be chosen.

This year's Varsity Tennis Team will play twelve matches. They will play each of The District opponents: Herndon, McLean, Langley, Oakton, and Madison twice, while playing Yorktown and George Mason once.

"McLean and Langley are considered powerful," said Coach Patrick McCarthy, "Although all teams are potential threats."

Coach McCarthy believes that the team has an excellent chance at the Tennis Title even though four of last year's top six players have graduated.

Last year's team ended up with a record of 8 victories and only 2 defeats. Both losses came from a very powerful McLean team. Marshall shut out six of its ten opponents, while scoring a total of 80 points and giving up only 16.

Tennis Schedule

Date	Opponent
Apr. 5 (Wed.)	Herndon
Apr. 7 (Fri.)	Langley
Apr. 11 (Tues.)	Madison
Apr. 13 (Thurs.)	McLean
Apr. 17 (Mon.)	Oakton
Apr. 19 (Wed.)	Herndon
Apr. 21 (Fri.)	Langley
Apr. 24 (Mon.)	Madison
Apr. 26 (Wed.)	McLean
Apr. 28 (Fri.)	Oakton
May 2 (Tues.)	George Mason
May 4 (Thurs.)	Yorktown



Several members of Marshall tennis team are chosen for this season.

Sportsfolio

by Mike Mornia

Rayme Roth



The aim of Sportsfolio is to help the student body become better acquainted with deserving athletes in various sports. Rayme Roth is the type of player who not only deserves recognition but needs it. Rayme, although one of Marshall's finest ath-

letes, is also one of the quietest, most modest students in the school. Because Rayme won't talk about himself, Sportsfolio will.

Rayme started his high school sports career as a guard on the freshmen basketball team. In the spring he caught for the junior varsity baseball squad while his brother Gary was the pitching star of the varsity team.

In his sophomore year Rayme was a starting guard on the JV basketball team. He excelled as a passer, ball handler and defensive player but his biggest moment of the season came as a shooter. Against arch rival Madison, Marshall was down by one point with less than a minute to go in the game. The Statesmen decided to go for the last shot and the win. Marshall held the ball as long as possible and then gave the ball to Rayme who hit a shot as the buzzer sounded for the victory.

Rayme moved up to the varsity baseball squad as a sophomore. Catcher is probably the toughest position on the field but Rayme moved right into the starting slot, playing a brilliant defensive game and handling the erratic pitching staff of that year quite well.

As a junior Rayme played guard on the varsity basketball team. He alternated with Charlie Jones and Tom Cavanaugh and was instru-

mental in helping Marshall to the Regional Tournament.

During the baseball season Rayme was again the starting catcher for the varsity baseball team and established himself as one of the best in the district at his position.

This year center George Hopper injured his collarbone early in the season and Rayme was forced to take over the bulk of the scoring on the young Statesmen basketball team. Forced to take more shots, Rayme proved he could score, averaging nearly 20 points a game with Hopper out.

Rayme's performance on the basketball court this year is exemplary of his entire sports career, he has always done what his team needs. Most players are capable of helping their team in only one way but Rayme adjusts to the team and will sacrifice personal glory for a winning effort.

The mark of a great athlete is consistency. Rayme is not a spectacular player but he can always be depended on for his usual strong effort and reliability under pressure.

Rayme has always been a team leader but he lets his actions do his talking. Words are scarce from Rayme Roth his teammates respect and follow him because he gets the job done, that is what sports are all about.

Juniors Battle Faculty In Annual Donkey Basketball

The most unorthodox, disorganized sport man could possibly devise, Donkey Basketball, comes to Marshall's main gym tomorrow night at 8:00 p.m.

Ball Control is the major concern in professional basketball, but donkey control seems more important in this version.

Supplying the competition will be the Junior Class against the Marshall faculty. In the past two years the faculty has proven its ability in handling the donkey to be superior to that of the juniors.

After the game is completed, a condensed, consolation game will be played in which specific members of the Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior Classes compete with three alumni which have not been announced.

Junior Class President Bob Updegrove stated "We have made arrangements with a television network,

WTOP, to do a news story on the event."

Although the entire team has not been decided, the Junior Class has produced Glen Balducci, Mike Atalla, Jim Burns, Dennis Naleppa, John Oakes, Bill Jones, John Coale, John Christ, Bob Updegrove, Mike Oliff, and Mike Little. Mr. Ring, Mr. Branscome, Mr. Kemp, Mr. Berard, Mr. Rasic, and Mr. Yost will be contestants for the undefeated faculty.

The Junior Class will be sponsoring the indoor rodeo through the services of the Buckeye Donkey Ball Company of Ohio.

Although the donkeys are trained, they will still have minds of their own when inexperienced basketball players are trying to control them. Bob remarks, "Donkey Basketball is reputed to be wilder than a rodeo and funnier than a circus."

The cost of admission will vary from 75¢ presale to \$1 at the door.

The profits will go towards the Junior-Senior Prom.

Soccer Makes Varsity Sport; Busy Season Coming Up

What used to be one of Marshall's many clubs has this year become a varsity sport. After many attempts by club members, soccer will have its first year as a varsity team.

Forty-five boys, ranging from freshmen to seniors tried out for the team. Twenty-five will be picked. At this writing cuts are still being made.

The team will be coached by Mr. John Revele, Mr. Revele is a graduate of American University and is presently teaching elementary school. He was previously a student teacher under Coach Miller here at Marshall.

The team's first game will be played on March 16 against Fairfax. Although the turnout for the team was good, relatively few of the players have played much competitive soccer. Because of this, the team will

be short on experience. Despite their inexperience, the squad has definite



Mark King Slips past John Legeno

potential according to Bill Lucia, 11, who has played soccer since he was a freshman. Bill predicts, "Basically I think we'll have a good season mainly because of speed. We have a lot of speed this year and this is what it takes."

This year's soccer team schedule is as follows:

Date	Opponent	Time
Mar. 16	Fairfax (A)	4:00
Mar. 23	W. Springfield (H)	7:30
Mar. 30	McLean (A)	4:00
Apr. 6	Annapdale (H)	7:30
Apr. 13	Langley (H)	7:30
Apr. 20	Ft. Hunt (A)	4:00
Apr. 27	Madison (A)	4:00
May 4	McLean (H)	7:30