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Students Get Ripped Off by Cafeteria

The bell rings and you leap out of your seat and join the mad rush to the cafeteria. Your stomach is crying out for something to fill it. Your vision is going fuzzy. You load up your tray with everything in sight. Slam your fifty cents on the counter and run to your seat. The old hamburger never looked so good as you sink your gleaming enamels into it.

That's funny. You got a mouthful of hamburger roll and no hamburger. Try again and again. Where is the bloody thing? You peel away the roll and by Jove, there it is, sitting quietly in the middle of the roll.

Sound familiar? You bet. Every day at least one person bemoans the fact that you don't get what you pay for in the cafeteria. Now, I'm not saying the food is bad. The stuff is pretty good compared to other schools. However, the fact remains that when one pays fifty cents for a meal, he should get more for his money than a hamburger three inches across, a dozen french fries and a box of milk. In this day of consumer awareness, it seems sad that nobody has bothered to investigate this problem.

Why not establish minimum quantity standards? For instance, make it a rule that hamburgers have to be at least five inches across and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch thick. This doesn't sound like much, but consider the fact that the average hamburger is only about three inches across and $\frac{1}{4}$ inch thick. Similar rules could be established for french fries (no less than 16 per person), pizzas (at least $\frac{3}{4}$ inch thick) and similar items now being sold. These guidelines could be periodically checked by the SCA. When the amounts of food fail to meet the standards, it seems only fair that the price of the lunch be reduced to 35 or 40 cents.

If you bought a case of beer and found that five cans were empty, you'd feel cheated. Is there any reason not to feel cheated when you don't get what you pay for at lunchtime?

by Drew McKinney



When You're Not, You're Not

by Drew McKinney

On December 8, the Marshall wrestling teams held their opening match against Lee High School. The Junior varsity team narrowly lost by a score of 36-29.

The JV matches began at 6:00 P.M. on a rainy Friday night. The Statesmen got off to a good start when 98 pound Joe Napier outpointed his opponent, 15-0. The fifteen match points Napier scored accounted for four of Marshall's team points. After Napier's victory, the match went downhill for Marshall, with the next six Statesmen being pinned by their opponents. Of these six, four were pinned in the first two minute period, one during the middle of the third, and one was pinned with only 28 seconds left in the third period.

The momentum switched over to the Marshall bench during the 145 lb. match when Jim Porter pinned his opponent with 1:21 left in the third period. No sooner had Porter completed his bout when Bob Willoughby demolished Lee's Bruce Tinsley, 15-0, in the 155 lb. bout.

The heavyweight matches were all won by Marshall wrestlers. Bob Brill won a 6-1 decision in the 185 lb. class. The 167 lb. and Unlimited matches were won by default.

Varsity Clobbered, 50-12

The Varsity meet began at 7:30 with the powerful Lee team winning the first five matches, three of them by pins. Marshall's first victory of the meet came when Craig Maxwell pinned Lee's John Andersor with only four seconds remaining in the second period of the 132 lb. match.

The Lee wrestlers were apparently undaunted by this victory, for they won the next two matches on decisions. Mark Perry added six more points to Marshall's score when he pinned Doug Robinson in his 155 lb. bout.

The 167 lb., 185 lb, and Unlimited matches were all won by Lee matmen by pinning their Marshall opponents. The final score was Lee 50, Marshall 12. The Statesmen will travel to Falls Church on December 12, wrestle McLean at home on the 15th and then go on a three match road trip to Edison, Langley, and W&L. Come out and see the team. JV matches start at 6:00 and Varsity starts at 7:30.

Yuletide is Electrified

In days of yore, a kid would go nuts if he found a football or a pair of hockey skates under the Christmas tree. "Oh, boy, just what I want!", and similar cries would ring through the house. If a kid got a baseball mitt or some diving fins, spring couldn't come too soon.

Ah, but how times change. Nowadays, a kid can still get a baseball bat or a football and still be happy. However, there are a variety of simulated sports games on the market. For starters, the 3 M Company (yep, the folks who make Scotch Tape) make a whole line of games. Hockey, football, baseball, horse racing, golf, and sailing are featured, thus appeasing followers of almost all major sports (sorry about that, basketball fans).

Football fans in particular have been catered to this Christmas season. One can buy the traditional electric football game where you plug in the thing and the little men scurry about in 50 different directions. The adventurous among us can hand over the green stuff and buy your brother or cousin such electrical wonders

as a football game that talks, one that consists of a large floor mat and a windup quarterback and a game where the players are moved like checkers and cover five yards per stride.

Hockey freaks can also enjoy their favorite game in the comfort of their living room. Traditionally, a hocket game has consisted of little tin men who were manipulated by twirling thin rods found on opposite ends of the thing. This type is still the most popular but the more affluent members of our society can purchase...you guessed it, an electric hockey game. How it works, I'm not sure, but it involves a little black box and your TV screen.

As time and technology advances, these games will become more and more sophisticated. Someday, we'll probably be buying our children football games as big as our dinner tables and featuring such little goodies as a miniature press box, complete with Howard Cosell and a tape of Howard second guessing your every move.

The Key Club

Extends Its Best Wishes

to All this

Holiday Season



Girl's B-ball Teams Prepare for Season

By John Cheffins

After three weeks of hard practice our girls' basketball teams are ready for the upcoming season. This year, both Varsity and J.V. have a 12 game schedule, five of them at home. The first game for both teams is on January 3rd, against Oakton at Marshall.

Coming back from last years Varsity team are Jill Brown, 12, Donna Foskey, 12, Sue Katona, 12, Dawn Rae Rogers, 12, Cheryl Ross, 12, Debbie White, 12,

Terry Sheid, 11, and Denise Shrader, 11. The rest of the squad is composed of Juniors Paula Adams, Betty Bartelson, Tara Glasgow, Annette Martin, and Angie Wilson. The manager of the Varsity team is Karen White. Miss Mary Haskins has a lot of confidence in her girls and she hopes a lot of the student body will come out and support the team.

The Junior Varsity team has a lot of new faces with half the squad being

freshmen. Miss Pat Bergan realizes this, but she is very optimistic about her young squad. One of the goals the girls will be out to beat is their record of last year, 4-6. Members of the team are Sophomores Gay Ashley, Clorinda Ermini, Becky Ford, Kathy Mohler, Alvis Robinson, Sue Waenio, Dee-Dee Wood, and Freshmen Patty Doyle, Ann Gaskins, Tijuana Hudson, Debbie Hunter, Susan Little, Kate O'Neill, and Geraldine Williams. The Junior Varsity managers are "Pooch" Jones and Valorie Morarity.

SPORTSFOLIO

By Lori Ryan



In every sport there is at least one athlete who seems to excel. Senior Mike Culhane excels in three sports, a "star" in every sense of the word.

In his freshman year, Mike tried out for the quarterback position; but Coach Dick Doyle felt that Mike would make a better offensive guard. In the winter, Mike filled the forward spot on the freshman basketball team. In the spring Mike was to be found in the centerfield of the JV baseball team.

Playing on offensive and defense for the JV football team in his sophomore year, Mike gained needed experience. Also playing JV basketball, Mike lettered in baseball.

Despite a late start in his junior year, due to illness, Mike lettered in football, and received his third letter in basketball. In the spring he also lettered after starting on the varsity baseball team.

This year Mike has started in every football game. Not once during the season did he grade lower than 70%—and his final grade was the highest on the offensive line. Mike was chosen for a position as All Great Falls District and was a choice for the second team All-Regional. Head Football coach, Mr. Ed Henry, sees Mike as a leader: "Mike's leadership stems from the fact that he is always striving for excellence and the younger athletes strive to imitate this attitude."

Injuries received in his second regional game, a broken ankle, will keep Mike out of the basketball season.

Mike is also a member of the Concert Choir and the Madrigals, a Key Club member, and an excellent student.

After graduation, Mike hopes to attend the University of Notre Dame, and then proceed to law school.

Gymnastics Team Begins Work-out

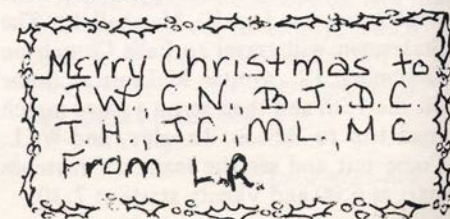
Girls gymnastics is off and running at the start of what looks like a great season.

"Optional routines should be excellent but compulsory is struggling because of the much harder routines," commented Jill Anderson, 10, "but we will probably have some people going to the state meet in March." Many of the team members are looking optimistically toward the coming season, beginning with their first meet with Madison on January 4.

The team, although young, is very experienced. Returning to the team this year are sophomores Cindy Gabriel and Suzanne Renfroe, who went to the state meet last year. Other members of the team include freshman Linda Lucia, Lori Sweatt, Tricia Dreas, and Jennifer Essley, sophomores, Linda Linnenbrogger, Kathy Humphreys, Janine Miller, Jill Anderson, Sandy Via, Barbara Via and Susan Barber, and juniors Chris Napier and Cindy Miller.

Since a team must have equipment to work on, the girls now have a new set of uneven parallel bars to work with. To make the girls look good while spinning, turning and flipping, new uniforms, powder blue with red trim, were also purchased.

The girls are now busy practicing Monday through Thursday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in preparation for their meet with Madison.



Varsity Basketball (cont. from page 14)

Joe McHanon added 18 points for the Saxons. Langley's full court press resulted in the highest point production in Northern Virginia.

McLean held T.C. Williams to a 24-22 halftime lead. Then the McLean Highlanders lack of a consistent scoring threat led to a Williams runaway. No Highlander scored more than eight points while Dale Turner led Williams with 22 points to a 58-40 victory.

Madison blew a 32-28 halftime lead as they hit only one of 14 shots from the

floor in the third quarter. Mount Vernon rallied to a 60-52 win. Mike Reagan led the Warhawks with 14 points.

Yorktown lost a 67-66 heartbreaker to Falls Church. Tom Harrington led the Jaguars with 24 points. Patriots Kovarik and Dave Orr scored 23 and 20 points respectively.

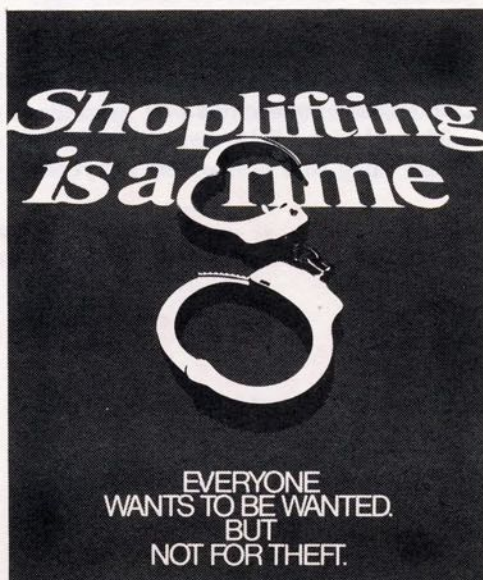
Washington and Lee held off a Wakefield rally to win 66-62. Dance led the Generals with 20 points but Jim Barbe was getting hot as he scored eight of his 10 points in the fourth quarter.

Stores Give Five Finger Discount?

The Christmas season has arrived. People are busy scurrying from store to store purchasing gifts for friends and loved ones. Millions of dollars are being spent to make the holiday a joyous one. However, some people don't feel they should spend **anything** for the things they want and resort to an illegal practice commonly known as **Shoplifting**. It appears that most of those people who shoplift are unaware of the danger involved. There are a lot of good reasons why you shouldn't shoplift.

To start with, it's illegal. It is a crime punishable by law. Don't be fooled by the story that because you're a minor, all will be "erased" from the records if you're caught. A police record resulting from arrest for shoplifting is a life-long liability. Those convicted in the recent past have been denied, among other things, security clearances for sensitive jobs, admission to college, jobs requiring a state license or bond, voting rights and civil service positions. You'd be surprised how many jobs fall into these categories.

Keeping that in mind, one should consider the fact that the chances of getting away with shoplifting are getting slimmer and slimmer. The Retail Bureau of the Metropolitan Board of Trade is sponsoring an Anti-Shoplifting Campaign due to the increasing shoplifting problem. It is the most extensive campaign to fight the crime yet undertaken in this area.



Many major stores in the area are involved in the campaign to curb this form of stealing, and are urging citizens to help. Large amounts of money are going into tighter security. If and when a person is caught, businesses **will** prosecute. Shoplifting is a matter not taken lightly by these businesses and they are prepared to take legal action against all cases.

Robert McBrier, senior vice-president and treasurer of Woodward & Lothrop, stressed that "we all pay in higher costs and a less wholesome community for the crimes of a few." It is true that shoplifting losses suffered by stores throughout metropolitan Washington cause higher prices for most consumer goods. Losses due to shoplifting in the Washington area during 1972, alone, are projected to be over \$200 million; the national estimate is 3.5 billion. Locally, shoplifting losses amount to 1.7 to 7.5 per cent of gross sales. So in short, even the shoplifter must pay in the end for his crime, whether he is caught or not.

Shoplifting is not only legally, but morally wrong. Those who are religiously-oriented know that it is violation of one of the commandments which states, "Thou shalt not steal". It's laid before you plain and simple: **you shouldn't do it.** True, maybe you don't

have the money for the things you'd like to give your friends, but ask yourself if your friends would really want the gift if they knew it was stolen. The entire spirit of Christmas is lost when giving is only made possible through stealing. Before contemplating a "five finger discount" on the item you want, set your head straight, think about it, and then decide if committing a crime is the "thing" for you.

Statesman Comments

"Peons" Park in Prohibited Places!

One argument which comes about at the beginning of each school year is student parking. For the past two school years students have been instructed to park behind the vocational wing. This is not altogether unreasonable for it is not really that much farther to walk except when there's precipitation or when one happens to be in the English Hall when it's time to leave. One advantage for the administration is that, parking stickers can easily be checked since there is only one entrance. Many students have found that, after the first bell in the morning, the stickers are no longer checked allowing anyone to park. Most students do park at this designated area although there are a few elite among the student body.

Students supposedly are not permitted to park elsewhere yet it is rarely, if ever, enforced. Many students feel they are privileged and not subject to the parking rule. Half of the front parking lot is occupied by students. Few, if any, of the cars have parking stickers yet many students have personalized their parking place by spray painting their names in the parking spots therefore reserving the spot for their own private use. It must be nice to be so privileged while the peons park behind the vocational wing.

For those who purchased parking stickers and park behind the vocational wing, I give two goody-two-shoe merit points for going to all the trouble of doing everything legally, the way it is supposed to be

done. Those who park in the designated area but for some reason or other did not purchase parking stickers one goody-two-shoe merit point, at least half of it was right.

As one of the special privileged I respect the administration for realizing the distinction between we in the front and the plebians in the rear. It's about time someone noticed a few students deserve more than others.

Our school, right or wrong, when right, to be kept right; when wrong, to be put right.

Go-Go's Complaints

History Repeats Itself, W.W.II Revisited

Two world powers met face to face Sunday, December 3, at Kilmer Intermediate, represented by the German and Russian clubs in a club championship soccer match.

The German Club went ahead in the first half on a lucky shot by one of their "Big front five". The second half saw members of the varsity soccer team coming in as replacements for both teams which picked up the pace, of an otherwise slow game, considerably. Three goals scored for the Russian Club, two by Bruce Lucia, 11, and one by Bill Lucia, 12, pulled the Russians out in front to stay, 3-1. This did not dampen the German Club's spirit, however, as their ever struggling forward line kept goalie Steve Perlick, 12, busy with several unsuccessful shots at goals. Perlick played an excellent game at goalie as he saved many would-be goals from being scored by the Germans.

The German Club was keyed up for revenge over the Russian Club because of an earlier defeat two years ago. "The

game may have started out as a rivalry between the two clubs but it ended with everybody out there just having a great time," Mr. Michael Hedlesky, Russian Club sponsor, commented.

The playing field, which was the closest thing to a swamp, left everybody

vet and muddy but in high spirits.

Mr. Hedlesky would also like everybody to know that the Russian Club is open to all challenges by any club in soccer, volleyball or the game of your choice.

Musically Talented Go To Regional Chorus

Musically talented high-school students from all over Fairfax County are gathering to make their voices heard at a concert to be held in February. Grouped in either the All-Regional Chorus or the Festival Chorus, a number of GCM students were selected from the try-outs on November 18.

The All-Regional Chorus members from Marshall, who qualify for the All-State Chorus auditions are: Sue Allen 12, Kim Chinn, 12; Caroline Fox, 12; Lu

Ann Gilmer, 10; Betsy Tuttle — 11 (first soprano); Susan Blake, 12; Laura Ehlers, 12; Theresa Jenkins — 12; Lenore Lessig, 12; Lydia Cunningham — 11; Jeff Russlavage, 12 (alto); Guy Manning, 12; Mike Murphy — 10; Bruce Newton — 11 (tenor); Ray Ramakes — 12; and Jim Roberts — 12 (bass).

Festival Chorus, which consists entirely of girls, includes the following Statesmen: Rosemary Panich, 11; Jo Anne Belliotto, 11; Patty Horne, 11; Terry Mulloy, 11; Pat Perkins, 12; Linda Prosisie, 12 (second soprano); and Susan Nelson, 12; Patty Brownell, 12; and Jeanne Morrison — 11 (alto).

Singers who will sing traditional and contemporary Christmas music.

"Christmas in Santa's Workshop" To Be Theme For Yuletide Dance

The S.C.A. is planning a Christmas dance to take place on Saturday night, December the 23rd. The theme this year, chosen by a member of the student body, is "Christmas in Santa's Workshop". The dance, one of numerous S.C.A. projects this year, will be presented in the Twin Bridges Marriott, from 8:30 until 12:30. "Fancy Colors", deemed one of the finest bands in this area, will provide the music.

President John Nicholas warns that there is a limited number of tickets

available this year. As in the past, tickets have been sent to Marshall alumni. The court, also following a Marshall tradition, consists of five senior girls: Jo Sue Boehnke, Marty Schleimeyer, Ann Williams, Peggy Patch, and Janice Wolf. A queen will be crowned at the dance.

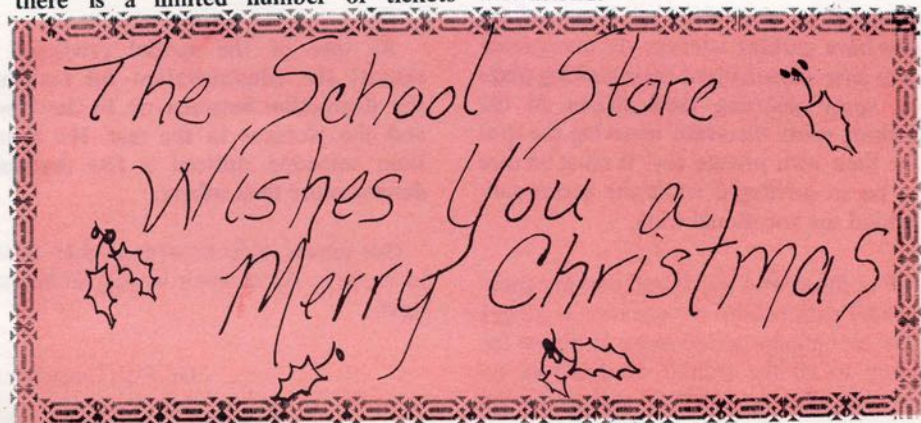
The last Marshall dance for the year of 1972 promises to be one of the best. A true holiday spirit will come over in all who attend.

Band Presents Winter Concert

The Band comes into the spirit of the season with its Winter Concert, tonight at 8 p.m. in the auditorium. Tickets are \$1.00.

The Wind Ensemble, Stage Band and String Orchestra are featured. They will play such music as *Russian Christmas Music*, *Passacaglia and Fugue in C Minor*, *Elegy for a Young American*, and *Christmas Festival*.

Three of members of the Wind Ensemble Cathy Conger and Denise Hodges, 12, and Robin Cabrich, 10 are also in the D.C. Youth Orchestra. The D.C.Y.O. played a live television concert last night on channel 26. It will be at the Kennedy Center on December 30, at 8:30 p.m.



We are thinking of you
today, because it is
Christmas,
and we wish you
happiness!
And tomorrow, because it
will be the day after
Christmas
We shall still wish you
happiness; And so on
clear through the year
We may not be able to
tell you everyday, but
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the thought and the
wish will be here
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The Varsity Cheerleaders



AAAAAHHH!

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by Diane Stepp

Winter days seemed longer than what
they used to be.
Weathered planks pulled from the deck
stretched to meet the sea.
Quiet birds of untold grace
would land upon the beach.
They soared to highest depths that
man had never dreamed to reach.
Clouds would whisper stormy hints
of days still yet to come.
The water met the barren shore
where sandpipers chose to run.

I thought of you and summer days
and how it used to be.
I saw the morning sun had risen
and hoped you'd thought of me.
A sea gull landed at my feet
and tottered on the ground.
It made me think of summer days
when you were still around.
I knelt to face that tiny bird who
stood so all alone.
I smiled and touched her ivory
head and then we both went home.



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When You're Hot, You're Hot

by Mark J. Olson

Marshall overcame a sloppy first half performance to beat the Atoms at Annandale last Friday by a score of 41-36.

In the first quarter the Atoms streaked to a 10-2 lead, largely on the strength of Byrne's seven points. The Statesmen were cold from the outside and numerous traveling violations kept them from scoring.

Marshall pulled to within three points on the scoring of forward Rick Mullen and guard Bill Engles. After that the Statesmen went cold again. Annandale hit several 20 foot jump shots and moved out in front by nine.

Led by Byrne the Atoms began to pull down offensive rebounds. However they could not capitalize on their rebounding and the first half ended with Annandale holding a seven point lead, 28-21.

At the start of the second half the Statesmen tightened up their 1-2-2 defense. They began covering their zones and reacting quicker. As a result the Atoms didn't get open shots as they had in the first quarter.

Mullen blocked several of Annandale's shots and the Statesmen began chipping away at the Atom's lead. The Statesmen hit four straight free throws and the Atoms seemed unable to score. Byrne fouled out for the Atoms and their attack



left with him. He finished the night as the games leading scorer with 11 points.

At the start of the fourth quarter the Atoms held a 34-32 lead. Then Statesmen guard Rusty Kelley tied the game with his field goal. John Webber put the Statesmen ahead to stay with a field goal and two foul shots.

Annandale was 0-14 from the field in the last quarter. Their only points came on two free throws.

Marshall's high scorers were Engles with 10 points and Mullen with 9. The Statesmen lacked cohesiveness largely because they didn't have a set lineup. Head Coach Bob Smith juggled his players to find the best combination. As he does, the chances for the Statesmen to have a very good season will improve.

In the other Great Falls District competition pre-season favorite Herndon held on for a 68-65 victory over Robinson. Tim Shipard's 19 points and 10 rebounds led the Hornets over the surprisingly tough Rams.

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New Faces Lead Varsity

By Lori Ryan

There are two new faces that have come into the spotlight of sports at Marshall. They are juniors Wade Hinkle and Earl Wilkerson.

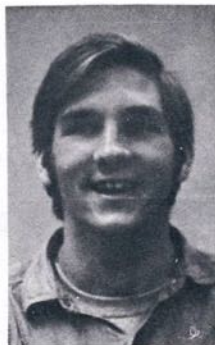
The newest student, Wade Hinkle, has been at Marshall for two weeks. Wade comes to us from McMurray, Pennsylvania. Presently, he is playing center on the varsity basketball team. At 6'6", Wade could be a great asset to the squad.

Wade feels that the competition for a position on the basketball team is tougher because there are a lot more kids out for the sport. Wade comes from Peters Township High School in Pennsylvania which has an enrollment of about 800 students.

When asked how he liked it here so far, Wade commented that he likes Coach Bob Smith's ideas on coaching. He also thinks that, "Everyone is friendly here, the basketball team even helped us move into our house."

Earl Wilkerson is not so new at Marshall. He transferred here from George Mason last winter, but it was not until this year that he began to participate in sports. This past fall, Earl played offensive guard on the varsity football team. At Mason, he played both ways, as offensive guard and linebacker.

Presently, Earl is wrestling in the 167 pound weight class on varsity. He previously wrestled at Mason and played catcher for the JV baseball team. As of now, he is undecided whether or not he'll go out for baseball here at Marshall.



Earl Wilkerson



Wade Hinkle

Boosters Thank Koon's Ford

By Curtiss Olson

If you were present at our opening wrestling match you might have notice two 10-speed bikes in the gym. One of them will be awarded to a lucky donator to the George C. Marshall Booster Club. When? at halftime of our fifth varsity home game.

The tickets recording your donation were printed at the expense of Koon's Ford. And get this, Koon's Ford also gave both bikes! All the profits go to student activities at Marshall through the efforts of your Booster Club. Ask your folks to join and help with the many Club efforts to support you and your school. Koon's came through in fine fashion and they aren't alone. Fallfax Lumber donated an expensive construction size wheelbarrow, shovel and rake—much appreciated by the gals who seem to need work done on the

softball field.

The Booster Club, with the outstanding help of businesses like Koon's Ford and Fallfax Lumber, really needs the help of our parents. Membership helps (Mrs. Moseley 560-3528) and volunteer help of all kinds (Mr. Flynn at 560-0944).

The Club has gotten off to a reasonable start this year. Funds have been committed to the Cross Country Team, Football Team, Girls' Tennis (\$330.00), and recently has obligated \$1,000.00 for the Girls' Athletic Program to purchase items such as field hockey uniforms, tennis jackets, etc.

To keep up the pace more members are needed and volunteer help is too!! Follow the example of Koon's Ford and Fallfax Lumber.

Christmas Spirit Invades Steno I

In Steno I, a two-hour junior level course, students learn the first year of shorthand, which qualifies the individual for the Civil Service Exam, taking dictation at 80 words a minute for three minutes. In addition to shorthand and typing, students learn about business machines, duplicating, mimeographing, stencil cutting, and program designing.

Steno I requiring one year of typing, equips the student to take an entry level stenography or secretarial job at the end of one year, according to Mrs. Kathryn Skirick, Business Department Chairman.

The second-year program in stenography may or may not be combined with on-the-job training coordinated through the school. In conjunction with this program, the school finds jobs for seniors for half the day, with the other half of the day spent in class assignments.

Before the Christmas holidays, the Steno I and Clerk Typist classes are busy at work on original Christmas cards using colored Ditto carbon. The Typing classes are, at the same time, composing original designs on the typewriter using various symbols or combinations of letters.

The purpose of this "fun" is tied in with skill development and is more than solely a fun activity. Student's learn how to handle the soft carbon used in fluid duplicating, how to arrange material on a folded card or program, and how to

adjust the duplicating machine so that the work will be centered.

The work on the typewriter teaches the student to work with odd sized sheets of paper, and how to use the typewriter for composition.



Creativity Expressed in Steno Department



Steno Department Makes Christmas Cards With Typewriters



Concert Choir Rehearses for Concert on December 26

Hard Work Pays Off For Choral Dept.

A tremendous amount of work has been done in the choral department, which has been paying off during the month of December in three scheduled concerts. The first of these was the Annual Winter Concert, presented on Friday, December 15.

The choral department is not limited to Marshall, however. In addition to their Concert of Music for Advent at Washington Cathedral on December 17, two

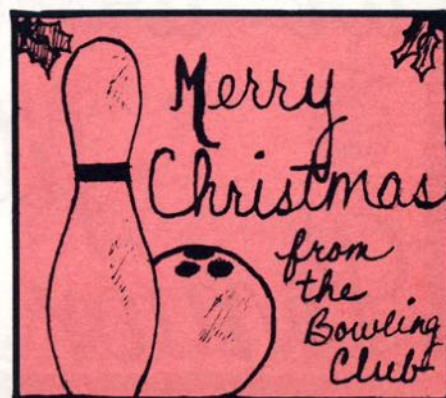
groups have been invited to appear at the Kennedy Center. Without an admission cost, this concert will be presented by the Concert Choir and the Madrigal Singers at 3:00 on Tuesday, December 26.

The program will feature a Bach motet accompanied by strings and harpsichord and Benjamin Britten's "Ceremony of Carols" performed with harp. Recorders and guitar will accompany the Madrigal

Civil Service Tests Offered in January

The Civil Service Commission has announced two upcoming test dates for high school and college students who want to work for Uncle Sam next summer. Applications received by December 29 will be tested on February 10, and those postmarked by January 26 will be tested March 10. Applications received after January 26 will not be considered.

Interested students should pick up CSC announcement No. 414 at the Guidance Office or from one of the business teachers.



People "Pitch-In"

Pick it up, clean it up, throw it away. Such comments are part of the idea behind the "Pitch-In" campaign which has hit Marshall and will hopefully have positive effects. "Pitch-In" is a project sponsored by the American Brewers Association to encourage people to avoid littering as well as do their part in cleaning up the community. Marshall High School has also become involved in the worthwhile activity that has swept through several high schools in the country.

Under the direction of senior, Bill Lucia, project Pitch-In began with an assembly December 13. Highlighting the assembly was a movie concerning "Pitch-In", a guest speaker, Harry Stevens, Field Representative for the Brewers Association, and the introduction of the "Pitch-In" theme song. Litter bags are being distributed, as well as signs, stickers and bumper stickers. All is being done to promote a desire to clean up the school

As Bill explained, there is no terminating date for this project. It is a campaign that has begun and hopefully will last throughout the year with the students at this school. A similar program was held recently at Woodson High School; however it was scheduled to last only two weeks. This resulted in the gradual decline of interest among the students. For this reason Bill stated there is no time limit to the activities of "Pitch-In".

Litter bags and stickers can be obtained at various locations in the school including the SCA room and Rank & Rile room. Organizer Bill expressed his views on "Pitch-In": "I believe that Project Pitch-In will help Marshall High School and the surrounding community very much."

When silence stalked the
summer sky
And clouds bent low towards
the earth
The sea with all her
charming grace
Reached out to touch the
wandering surf.

Diane Stepp



WE'LL TAKE A RED CHRISTMAS TREE

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filled with love.
Senior class of '73

Christmas Calls for Creativity

*The winter sky missed
the summer sun
With a deep penetrating
longing.*

*December trees felt
at loss,
For the leaves had left
their summer home.*

*I wondered, as crystal
snow flakes fell,
For I thought this
Land of the Painted Seen
Had lost her magic.....*

Diane Sepp

It was 9 o'clock Christmas Eve when the nurses at the orphanage began reading stories of Christmas from the "big" book of *Christmas Tales*. The nurse said we'd only have time to tell one story so we picked "The Night Before Christmas".

My friends who were listening were quite enchanted with the rhythmic tale. But I sat in a corner in darkness blocking out her words. I knew there would be no Christmas. There never had been for me. I had lived in that institution for five years and not yet has there ever been a real Christmas. We had no tree, no gifts, no singing carols, we didn't even have any snow.

And every single Christmas Eve I remember looking out the dusty, old, cracked window late at night and wishing, praying, and crying for a Santa Claus. The dust was so thick that I had to take my hands to wipe it off to see, but that only smeared it. Every year I'd done this and this year was to be no exception. I planned my prayer even before it was time, hoping that maybe this time. . . .

Dewey



** Merry Christmas *
from the
* School Store **

The Guidance Department of George C. Marshall High School Counsels You to have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Mr. James Bowman
Mr. Theodore Caras
Mr. Wayne Spangler
Mr. Stanley Kemp
Mrs. Margaret Adcock
Mrs. Eloise Adams
Mrs. Jean Tucker
Mrs. Marian Friedlander



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Fetland's, the Christmas Store

Kay Gawelko

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"I was wondering, sir, if I could ask...."

"Information, fifth floor, along with lounges, and executive offices."

"But, sir, I'd like to speak to you personally, as a flunky of this nationwide phenomenon...."

"I've got an egg nog and cookie break in fifteen minutes...."

In fifteen minutes I got my chance to speak to Mr. Hollowdays. (I later found that out to be his name.) But he proved to be so enthusiastic on the subject that we remained talking long after the store had closed. Our dialogue went something like this....

"I hear your store is now open fifty-two weeks a year."

"Well, our motto is, 'Fetland's is our name, and Christmas is our game!' Mr. Fetland thought that up himself." This was accompanied with a low whistle of admiration.

"Yes, that certainly was clever. But don't you think that this perpetual Christmas makes people a little resentful?"

"If it does they're ingrates. We're only thinking of their best interests you know." At this point I nodded. "After all, Christmas just used to foul everyone up. Everyone always wanted the same days off, why, even the stores had to close down! Do you know how much valuable shopping time used to be lost? Even the faithful few who would work wanted time and a half!"

"Well, I can see how this might put a cramp in Fetland's style...."

"Did you know that because Christmas used to be so special that everyone used to get excited? But with our new plan Christmas is so old hat that production quality stays the same year round. It used to drop drastically at Christmas you know."

"But...the 25th used to be kind of special."

"Thank Heaven it's just another day in the year now. As Mr. Fetland always says, 'Nobody really knows just what day Our Lord was born, this way somebody's bound to end up celebrating it on the right day.'"

"But what about the little kids?"

"I must admit the little tykes were a trifle confused when they went into Santa's playroom and saw twenty Santas in a row..."

"Twenty in a row? I think you'd better run that past me again."

"Well, statistics show that parents used to get very frustrated waiting in line for their kids to talk to Santa. With our new speedy service, however, we alleviated that problem...."

"I can see how that would be easier on the parents of America, but how about the kiddies?"

"Well, Mr. Credit, an enterprising clerk of ours, speedily solved that problem. You see, he told them that they could visit every Santa we had and could get even *more* presents than they usually did."

"My, that certainly was enterprising of him. I'll bet he even got a promotion for that."

"As a matter of fact, he did. He was put in charge of a new experimental plan of Fetland's for automating Easter."

"Well, it certainly pays to think around here."

"Not always. The man who thought up

The true story of:

"Chicken Little"

One fine day Chicken Little was pecking for seeds under the oak tree when an acorn fell from the branches and hit poor Chicken Little right on her noggin. "Goodness gracious" cried Chicken Little, "the sky is falling down; I must run and tell the king."

So off ran the little chicken, down the road at supersonic speed. On her way she met Cowsy-Wowsy, Ducky-Wucky and Turtle-Wurtle who all went with her. At last they came to the toll bridge which was only minutes away from the king. "STOP!" cried the wise ol' owl who was the toll master. "That will be 100 pennies, for all of you." Chicken Little turned around and looked at her friends. They looked at Chicken Little; then they each dug into their pocketbooks and handed all they had to the owl. All but Cowsy-Wowsy who didn't have any money. The wise ol' owl looked at the money and said:

"Alas dear ladies, but if the Chicken had 4 times what she had, the duck 3 times and the Turtle 2 times, you would have exactly the 100¢". The wise ol' owl scratched his chin and then said: "Of course, if the Chick had twice, the Duck 5 times and the Turtle 4 times what they each had, you-all would have the 100¢.

pre-Christmas and after-Christmas sales got fired. There was some confusion on just when Christmas was and the entire sixth floor, home furnishings, was sold out at sale prices."

"I've just been noticing the unusual decorations in the store."

"Yes, they're another of Mr. Fetland's innovations. One day in the middle of the rush season, July, he woke up and screamed, 'Who says Christmas colors have to be red and green?!' Pretty smart, huh? Well, anyways, within two weeks the whole store was remodeled."

"Fascinating, but it really is getting late and I...."

"Are you sure you won't have a look around before I lock up the store?"

"But I'm an atheist, the only things I celebrate are birthdays and the 4 of July."

"That's never stopped anyone from celebrating Christmas before. And we do really have some lovely things in the Foreign Bizarre, seventh floor."

Chicken Little looked at the owl as if he had gone bananas and was just about to say something herself, when the owl continued: "Then there is the possibility that the Chicken had 3 times, the Duck also 3 times and the Turtle 5 times what they each had. That would have been 100¢ also. But as it is . . ."

"Listen, you ol' bird brain," said Chicken Little, who was getting a bit annoyed, "we're going to tell the king the sky is falling down." "That's the bit alright," said Ducky-Wucky as she pointed to Chicken Little's head. "Yea" said Cowsy-Wowsy and Turtle-Wurtle menacingly. "Now ladies," said the wise ol' owl, "its simply physically impossible for the sky to fall down. Why the king will laugh himself sick if you try to tell him something as silly as that."

Cowsy-Wowsy, Ducky-Wucky and Turtle-Wurtle turned and looked at Chicken Little. "But it really did seem as if the sky was falling down," said Chicken Little. "Nuts" said all the other animals, and turned to go home. At that moment, there was a terrific roar and the sky fell down and killed everybody in the whole world. MORAL: What makes everybody think owls are so d--- smart?

Question: How much money did each of the girls have?

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Paige, Bay, Woody, Donna, Phyllis,
Ellen, Kathryn, Robin, Cathy B,
Sandy, Beth, Susan, and
Thank you Cissy. — JUDY

Teacher Tells It As It Is

NORTH POLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
by Jay Little

27 November 1973

Dear Mrs. Claus:

I'm sorry to report to you that your son Santa has not progressed at all since enrolling in my class. I'm sure he'd do well if only he would stop day dreaming. It seems he has some wild ideas about flying across the sky and bringing toys to everyone on Christmas. Of course I've told the other children to stay away from him when he gets like this.

I also have had an extreme disciplinary problem with him. Not only does he bring his reindeer into the class room but when I ask him to remove them, he just rolls around the floor chuckling and screaming, Ho! Ho! Ho!

Tell me Mrs. Claus does Santa have a special problem the school doesn't know about? Another thing, I know Santa has a habit of climbing down chimneys, but just because we don't have any here, I find his climbing through the heating system a poor substitute. Really it's just not fair to the other pupils in the room, if we constantly have to disrupt class in order for the fire department to get Santa unstuck from the heating vent.

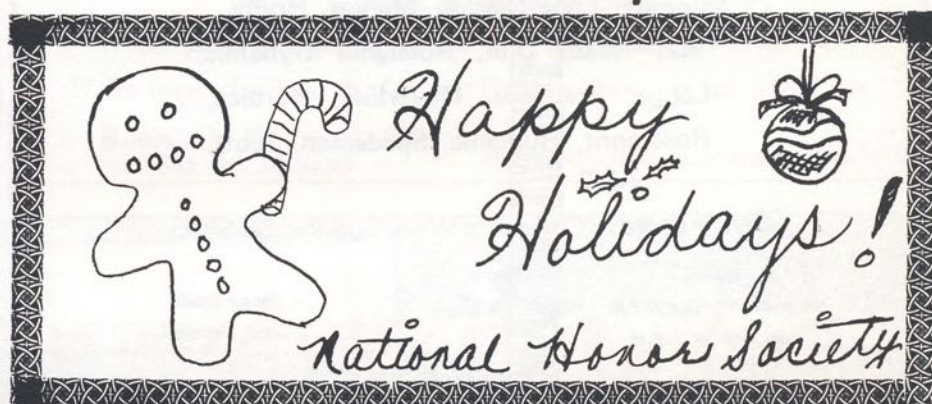
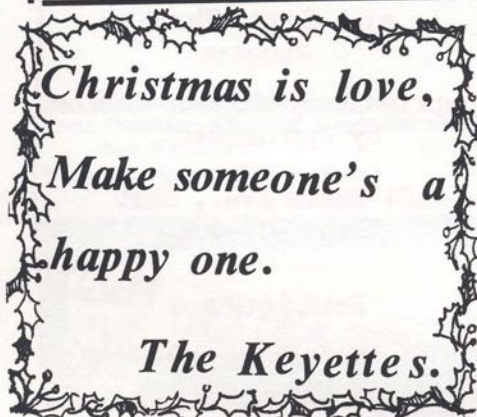
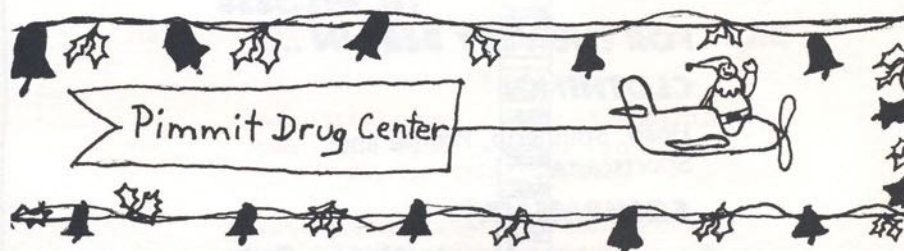
What do you feed Santa at home? I've never seen your son eating at school but with his red nose he must be nipping on something. Drinking at his age! You should be ashamed!

Just one last thing Mrs. Claus as you know there is a dress code here at North Pole Elementary School, and well, quite frankly we're fed up with your boy's appearance. We have learned to live with the red suit and boots, but honestly, any third grader with a beard, has got to be a bad influence on the class.

If you would care to talk to me about any of these problems contact me at the next P.T.A. meeting. Until then, have a Merry Christmas.

Sincerely yours,
Mrs. Steinburg

Mrs. Stienburg
Third Grade Teacher



Colleges Accept:

Karen Anderson-Madison College
Larry Cassis-Hydrospace Technical Institute

John Clark-Madison College

Bob Ein-Pratt Institute

Tim Hudson-Madison College

Sue Katona-U. Va.

Mary Kennedy-Madison College

Mary Lohrenz-William & Mary

Craig Masterson-University of Kansas

Rennie Meyers-Madison College

Jeanne Naramore-William & Mary

Judy Peacock-Longwood; Madison

Julie Peacock-Madison College

Marty Penley-Longwood

Charles Raines-Madison College

Ann Rainey-Radford

Debbie Robinson-Shenandoah

Steve Severson-V. M. I.

Sue Sherman-Massey Jr. College

Sandy Simmons-U. Va.

Diane Stepp-Bridgewater; Madison

Local Elf Rats on Fellow Students...

FRESHMEN

To: S. Claus.
North Pole

Dear Boss.

I dun what ya told me and got the lowdown on those Marshall Kids. Seems like they haven't been up to much that we can lay the rap on them for. But I though ya might be able to make use of the follin' list anyway. To give them a Little Christmas Present that they can't refuse, if ya know what I mean.

Truly Yours,
Your Secret Elf R&F

Sue Ryan—A pinup poster of Joe Namath doing the twist on the sideline.
Kathi Bender—An all expense paid weekend in McDonald's Land
Teresa Schwietz—a snide remark
Tom Boehnke—A ball to center
Phyllis Ahalt—a sane next door neighbor
David Sands—A gold-plated chess set
John Benedictson—A doggie bone
Debbie Myers—An "A" in Math
Tim Townsend—A degreaser
Karen Ramsay—Shawn Carson
Terri Holt—A yo-yo
Susan Durrin—High Heels
Sarah Banks—Some New Friends
Hana Newcombe—Eight maids A'milking
Richard Brown—A Strong Comb
Jim Burris—3 cartons of Marlboros
David Leake—A Tuba Mouthpiece
Tammy Willis—A Capri

Cheri Christian—An "A" in Spanish
Terry Clark—Five Golden Rings
Theresa Irwin—A Thoroughbred
Hymie Castillo—9 Cases of Catgut
WCI—A Wrist Exerciser & Lots of Pens
Paul Jaeger—A Roach Clip
Kris (Harry) Chadwick—10 cases of Nair hair remover
The Columbian Staff—one box of bubonic plague germs
Dan Busselmier—one dozen assorted Mrs. Lokey essay tests
Tim Morrow—a night on the town with Libby Shira
Edward Bartholomew—Mao Tse Tung's Communist Doctrine
Mike Snodgrass—a copyright for his book *How McGovern Won the Election*
Steve Harsch—a television lounge in his locker
Kathi Thompson—A Circuit Breaker

SOPHOMORES

Gary Pech—A lead in a play.
Sim Saintsing—A language course in old Lilliputian.
Helen MacDonald—A better working scale.
Eric Mercier—five hours to get out of town.
John Cheffens—"How to Look 22", and a new nose.
Gary Lybrand—a bed.
Peter Nygren—a jackalope.
Lisa Swift—Laryngitis, permanently
Jimmy Haller—a Christmas tree from the country
Karen Walters—a "Treat me Nice" button
Kim Kolhaas—The privilege of being "one of the three"
Tammy Joseph—a filing cabinet for her brain & a Chinese-English dictionary
Leslie Griffith—a bottle of Super Grow
Tom Barrick—His guitar & some WV&M commuter tickets.
Debbie Durden—a 89 lb. James Taylor cupie doll
Sue Flynn—Pedro Rodriguez
Roy Lashbrook—40-rolls of toilet paper and a cop-out
Karen Lighton—a new hat and a script that cannot be lost



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Bob Bademian—Extra Set of Lungs
Steve Swift—Some Extra-Light “Adidas Tokyos”
Larry Wilson—An Extra “L” on his shirt

JUNIORS

Drew McKinney—\$50,000 in small unmarked bills
Mark Olson—a dry knee, an efficient assistant, and one (1) cheerleader, fair condition.
Jill Wagy—another number
Bay Kotite—A longer English period and luck
Jim Day—someone to follow in his footsteps
Mark Smith—a set of indestructible motorcycle brakes
Glenn Skillman—a dirty note
Jeanne Marie Morrison—her own bathroom wall to write on
Cathy Brock—a boy friend with perfect teeth
Scott Anderson—a lifetime supply of unde-
stroyed libidos
Lori Ryan—the book, *How to remove Foreign Particles from the Human Anatomy*; and one slightly used ulcer
Earl Fox—a Rolls Royce Silver Shadow
Cissy Belousovitch—a new name
Dale D'Avanzo—the entire varsity football team
Earl Wilkerson—A fire extinguisher
Sue Compton—A new car, and a shower
Joe McGarry—elevated tennis shoes
Dave Woods—an X-rated movie to watch by himself
Ann Ponsford—Lou Milotte
Mark Layer—No. 37, because he hates it
Terry Grubb—a couple of sixes
Marvin Ellis—a VW van
Judy Heather—Chester, a pack of Lark and a piece of gum
Susan Melick—a dance in the moonlight
Randy Rues—a new car and a hickey
Kathy Woodward—The Summer of “72” all over again
John Hartman—a bust of Scrooge
Jorge Asuncion—a piece of scotch tape for his mouth, and a flashlight for the drive-in movies
Kim Evans—a ride home
Kit Laub—one brand new cafeteria, gift-wrapped
Marcia Doran—a ton of tins, and \$450
Terri Cecil—one Hefty “cutah”
Kevin Fuller—all my love
Robin Mee—a six of Mich and a bottle of nonqueer pills

SENIORS

Jeanne Naramore—a “chou” repair kit
Kevin Christison—VD (Very Dumbness) and a box of raisons
Maureen Brown—a failing report card

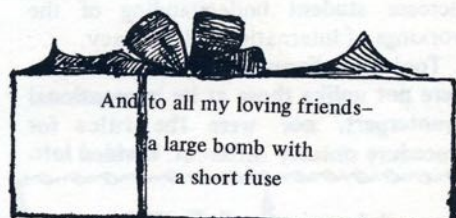
Bobby Carter—lots of love
Billy Jones—a girl to talk to and the gory details
Mary Ludholtz—Hope that our Christmas cards get lost in the male
Mike Culhane—a lucky break
Virginia Mosely—40 rolls of recycled toilet paper
Sue Allen—car heater and defroster
Bill Fawcett—a wrench to turn off the drip
Debby Harsch—a Physics lab partner, not a physical lap partner and a BIG can of India ink
Mike O'Bannon—4 (four) A's and 1 (one) B
Dave Amos—a boa constrictor and 12 dozen mice
Adrien Cote—a year's supply of you-know-what, and a barberpole to lean on
Lou Milotte—Ann Ponsford
John Watson—a DCYO B. button
Terry Kelly—a blind-date with Helen Keller
Cam McPhail—a pigeon
Virgil Hibbs—Attendance Award
Chris Doden—National Drinking Team T-shirt
Kenan Lott—Lisa Mathis
Ann McGinn—A new lab partner
Gina Wright—a backrub that will last as long as K.C.'s fingernails
Chris H.—365 tardiness excuses, guaranteed valid for any occasion at any time
Bob Updegrove—mumblings and mutterings
Mike Black—a tookie-looki bird in a gilded cage
Mark Perry—a bump resistant parking light
Cindy Bourne—a trip to the moon
Bernie Ehgartner—one dozen nothings, assorted
Mike Oliff—a fan club
Tom Goeller—his own portable hammock for Rank & File
Nancy Adams—some moonwind
Kathy McGarry—1000 3-Musketeers bars
Steve Perlik—red hair, and enough money to finance his next movie
Carol Beatson—a lot of fertilizer for her garden
Delece Herrington—a Church scholarship
John Coale—a low punch and a twist



Christy Caldwell—your sophomore year's second period class
Geri Kinsey—a whoopee cushion
Kristi Honkala—a party, any party
Leigh Anne Schwietz—a big hit, a pair of antlers, and a vat of grapefruit juice
Pat Perkins—a band of disciples
Judy Renfro—audience

THE GROWN-UP KIDS

Mrs. Keppel—a tree full of owls (with serious intent)
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Mr. LaCava—a new improved wind ensemble and a chill up his spine
Mr. Aversano—cooperation with a money-back guarantee, and a new tie
Mr. Oakes—the Presidency
Mrs. Dobson—a repeat performance at the “Cinnamon Tree” by George
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Bernie Extends Message of Peace page 10

Especially now around Christmas many people are talking about peace. During the year they show peace signs to each other and even go to the street and demonstrate for peace. The Vietnam War, the tension in the Middle East, social justice for racial minorities, man's treatment of his environment, poverty, the continuing huge expenditures on weapons of war, and the divisions in our society; everything seems so far away from us. It is the daily reality. And we think we can't influence that!

Peace starts only with the attempt to understand the neighbor; for example, the old couple from across the street. Old people had a completely different education and they grew up under such different circumstances, that they are closed for everything new. And it is similar with "strangers", people from abroad.

Area Students

by Joanne Steane

The fourth annual FAMUN (Fairfax Area Model United Nations) was held November 29, 30, and December 1 at Fairfax High School. In conjunction with the Fairfax County schools, the Model U.N. was conducted in an effort to increase student understanding of the workings of international diplomacy.

Topics of discussion at the simulation were not unlike those at its international counterpart, nor were the rules for procedure notably different. Divided into

If somebody has an opposing opinion, that gives no reason for degrading him to an "underman". To get to know the "Other", to understand him is something undecisively important. It is one of the main aims of the AFS Scholarship Programs to promote a better understanding of the nations of the world. One country stands for all the other countries on the globe. An international feeling spreads out and appears in every situation. I wish everybody could have the chance to go for at least a couple months to another country and get involved with the other culture and the customs. To explore the new people and the new circumstances by themselves makes the experience unique.

In our times it seems rather easy to travel, whereas continents are only some hours away. By means of mass communication and mass medias the "other" from

Modify UN

the Security Council and the General Assembly, participants worked in the interest of the country they represented—pushing through resolutions that benefited their country while voting down those that put their country at a disadvantage.

The delegations from Marshall were: Liberia, Nepal, Barbados, West Germany, Australia (General Assembly) and China (Security Council). Notably, the Chinese delegation, consisting of seniors Mark Snow, Brent Barner, and Liz Sorgen, and juniors Terry Mulloy and Robert Shoumacker, won second place in the Security Council for their outstanding participation.

the other side of the world is in everybody's house. We, the youth of today, have the opportunity to build a world of peace and freedom in our days of quarrels and troubles.

The problems of the world will not be solved by one person, one of you; but, as everybody knows, all big things started once from the beginning. And I believe, that Mankind was successful and learned from its faults. Everybody's aim should be to try, because a try is more than nothing.

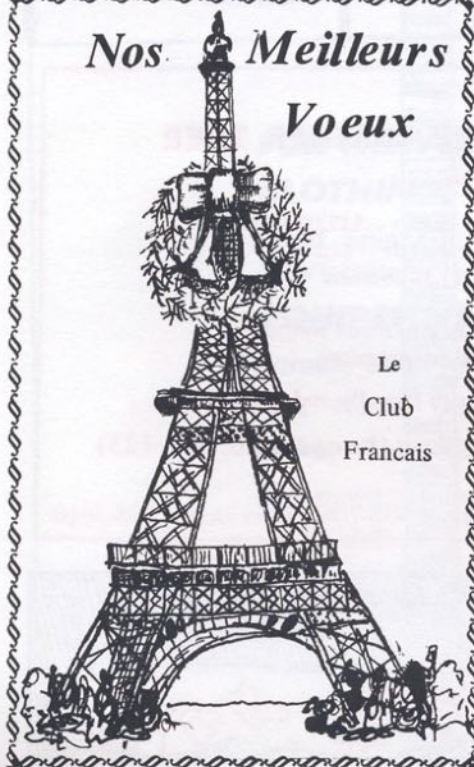
Peace on earth,
good will towards men.

Bernie Ehgartner



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Run Away From It All ??

Alternative House is a place for teenagers to work out problems that resulted with a decision to run away from home. This neutral setting in McLean provides a place for Fairfax County teens, under 18, to talk about their problems.

Teens run away because they feel that communication has broken down and avenues for solving the problem are gone, making the situation at home intolerable. The runaway needs help, not punishment. At Alternative House there are interested people willing to listen in order to help the decision-making process. The staff mediates the situation in an effort to bring about understanding and communication between parent and teen. The staff also makes follow-up contacts to prevent recurrence and to help the youth and his family readjust.

The goals of the House are to keep kids out of court, to work with crisis situations and aid in the prevention of these situations, and to provide short-term residence to facilitate the other goals. The residency period is limited to two weeks.

The House has a full-time professionally qualified director and a live-in counselor. At this time the House needs volunteer workers to help in the physical operation of the House. Alternative House needs the support of the community it serves. Support may be given by enrolling as a member of "Friends of Alternative House." Youth dues are one dollar per year for those who are 18 years of age or under. To apply for membership, send checks to Juvenile Assistance McLean, Ltd, Box 637, McLean, Virginia, 22101. For more information on the House, phone 356-6360.