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World of Construction Profits



World of Construction students begin work on model room of a home.

World of Construction a new Industrial Arts course this year, created by Mr. Sam Derrick and Mr. John Gouldin, "is designed to give students some actual experience in all phases of house construction including foundations, framing and finish work. Many exercises will benefit students as Home owners later on in life."

After the prerequisite of General Shop a student is capable of taking World of Construction a one year, one hour course taught by Mr. Derrick. Once the student has completed the course "many students could be capable of constructing a garage by themselves," stated Mr. Derrick.

The main concept of the course is to teach students the acquisition of real estate through the actual construction of a house. Students will become familiar with all phases of construction such as plumbing and wiring.

The basic difference between General Industrial Arts and the World of Construction is that in Industrial Arts students work on small home decorations whereas World of Construction is oriented to teaching construction of Utility tool sheds, home paneling, flooring and the knowledge of house building. Presently the class is constructing an 8' X 12' utility shed along with a model room of a home.

Although the subject has been taught in other area schools for three to four years this was the first year for Marshall. Students in the class will gain the knowledge to acquire a summer job in the construction industry.



Coach Bob Smith points the way to a Redskin victory.

Redskins Scalp Faculty; 91 - 89

Which is really the better basketball team, the Marshall faculty, or the Washington Redskins? How would basketball coach Bob Smith perform when matched up with Harold McLinton? Or Herb Mulkey? Or Mack Alston? Over a thousand spectators saw these and many other questions answered when representatives from the "Over the Hill Gang" defeated Marshall's faculty in overtime 91-89.

The starting lineup for Marshall consisted of Coach Smith and J. V. basketball coach Monte Campbell starting as forwards, Mr. Roger Wood at center, and Mr. Pat Dolan and Mr. Dean Sissler on the backcourt. The Redskin starters were Brig Owens, Mike Bass, Mack Alston, Harold McLinton and Jerry Smith.

Marshall got off to a five point lead before allowing Brig Owens to score the Redskins first points of a 15 foot shot. Throughout most of the period, Marshall held a one or two point lead. With about a minute left in the period, cornerback Frank Grant came off the bench to score two field goals to put the visitors ahead 17-15.

The second quarter was equally close, neither team being able to take a definite lead over the other. Coach Smith highlighted Marshall's offense by scoring eight points on two baskets and four foul shots. The Redskins high scorer during this period was Frank Grant, who got 10 points.

The halftime score was 40-38, Redskins leading. During halftime, the Redskins autographed notebook covers, paper napkins, Sunoco stamp albums, and similar items. The greatest demand appeared to be for the signatures of McLinton, Owens, Mulkey and Grant.

The second half started with a bang for Marshall, as the faculty players jumped to a 48-42 lead. By taking their time and setting up their shots, the Redskins came back with four field goals to make the score 50-48. After that, scoring on both sides slowed down the action, and the quarter ended with the Redskins still on top, 64-60.

Mr. Sissler was the star of the fourth period as far as Marshall was concerned. Even though Coach Smith picked up 19 of his 37 total points during the final quarter, Sissler scored on a ten foot shot to tie the score 85-85, thus forcing an overtime. In the three minute overtime period that followed, the lead changed hands twice. With just three seconds remaining, Harold McLinton scored from 18 feet out to give the Redskins a 91-89 victory.

After the game, McLinton revealed the Redskin's game plan. "We just kept hustling", he said, "we kept running and each time we got the ball-bam!"

But it was Brig Owens who summed up the whole thing. "We just came here to have fun", Owens said, "we're not just football players."

Government Dept. Schedules Seminar

Beginning April 9th and continuing to April 12th the government department of Marshall High will be presenting the George C. Marshall Memorial Seminar on Government Affairs.

Student delegates from all Fairfax County schools will attend a four-day program of lectures and discussions with well-known government officials at the local, state, and national level. Senior government classes will be able to attend during their government period.

Included in the seminar will be representatives from the State Department, Treasury Department, Central Intelligence Agency, and the Media, (Newspaper, radio, and television). Lobbyists, U.S. Attorneys, Senators, and Congressmen will be

present to discuss their roles in government affairs and answer questions of the delegates.

Among the notable individuals who will participate in the seminar are: Senator Hubert Humphrey; Congressman Joel T. Broyhill; Ms. Jean Packard, Chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors; Louis Cannon of the Washington Post; David Shoumacker of ABC News; and many more. S. John Davis, Division Superintendent of Fairfax County Public Schools, will also be

on hand to give opening remarks at the commencement of the seminar.

Commenting on the purpose of the seminar Mr. Richard Oliver, Assistant Principal stated, "The George C. Marshall Seminar is planned to give delegates and Marshall students the rare opportunity to hear and discuss the considerations that help mold national policy. The true value of this program is understood when we view policy as the framework which directs the daily operation of our government." Mr. Oliver also added, "We need to thank Col. John Schlogl for the inception and organization of this outstanding activity."

Juniors Sponsor Donkey B-ball

Once again it will be man against beast as the Junior Boys take on the faculty during the annual Donkey Basketball game in the boys gym, March 17, from 7:30 to 9:30 P.M.

Admission will be \$1.25, but for juniors with class cards, admission will be .75. Tickets are available during all lunch periods and class cards may be purchased in the 11 grade office for \$2.00.

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What's Up

MARCH

- 15 - Haylofters 8:30-10:30 pm
- 16 - Concert Choral Exchange
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- Donkey Basketball Game
- Boys Gyn-8 pm
- 20 - Varsity soccer (Home)
- 7:30 pm
- 23 - Science Fair-Aud., Cafe-
- 2:15 pm
- 24 - Science Fair-Aud., Cafe-
- 7:30 am
- 25 - Science Fair-Aud., Cafe-
- 12-3 pm
- 26 - Varsity Tennis (McLean)-
- Away - 4 pm
- 27 - Varsity Soccer (Stuart) -
- Home - 7:30
- 28 - Varsity Basketball (Oakton)
- Away - 4:00 pm
- 29 - Haylofters 8:30-10:30 pm

SCA Initiates Ice Cream Social



Glen Balducci's winning legs.

Marshall's first "Ice Cream Social" was held in the cafeteria on Saturday, March 3rd from 8 until 11:30 p.m. Admission to the dance was \$.50 and the music was provided by records.

The Student Council sponsored dance served as an opportunity for girls to ask guys for a change. The court was made up of the guys from all four classes with the best looking legs. The Freshmen were represented by Terry Clark and Paul Jaeger; the Sophomores by Doug Honkala and Jeff Seymore; the Juniors by Jim Day and Wade Henkel; and the Seniors by Glen Balducci, Mike Culhane,

and Rick Mullins.

Picture "pin-ups" were taken of their legs and placed on a bulletin board in the lower lobby. The pictures were numbered and homerooms voted on their favorite pair of legs. Senior Glen Balducci was selected as Marshall's own, "Soda Fountain Sweetheart".

Ice cream cones, provided by Baskin-Robbins in eight different flavors, were served as refreshments in keeping with the dance theme. Proceeds from the dance will go to future school projects.



Garbage Prevails; Student Speaks Up

Editors Note: The following note was received from an apparently concerned individual; concerned about the physical condition of our school which leaves much to be desired.

Look Around you. What can be seen? Trash. You're probably used to this sight, but I entering Marshall just this year, am appalled at the condition which this school is in.

For some unknown reason, I find it slightly disgusting when I stoop for a drink of water and I find 15 old, well chewed pieces of gum staring back at me from the water fountain. It is also upsetting when I sit in a desk and find it's all over. Gum, that some inconsiderate person left on the seat, is all over my pants, shirt or stuck to my hair.

Old papers, banana skins, apple cores, candy wrappers and coke bottles are the only lasting decorations in the school. People find the time to rip down posters yet they never disturb the trash. At this point Marshall could be used as an outlet for the county garbage dump!

When was the last time you stepped out into the underclassman courtyard for a breath of fresh air? Instead you were hit by a smoke cloud and your mouth was filled with ashes. Believe me it is not a refreshing experience!

The sound of crunching glass when you walk through the parking lot is quite interesting. Although it is a little painful if you happen to trip and fall over the rest of the garbage people indiscreetly dispose of. The sad fact is, this situation need not exist.

Letters to Editor

Editor, The Rank and File,

What appears now to be a regular feature in the R&F has left me quite disgusted. I am referring to "Notes From File 13."

Having been at Marshall some 3 1/2 years, I have seen many changes in the school. Along with student apathy, is a loss of school spirit and UNITY. The R&F can serve a better purpose than to alienate students. If the articles had been cutting down my Black brothers, Drew would instantly be labeled "bigot." May I point out that there can be, and there are, prejudices between different groups of the same color.

Granted, there are many different types of people at Marshall. Because of the variety of courses, student interests, and extra-curricular activities available, students have a tendency to associate mainly with those with similar interests, and snub those whose interests do not lie on the same level. Perhaps these articles, if they merely presented these groups, could be called "human interest." Human interest stories are a very important part of many newspapers. But it is in very bad taste to devote a third of a page to ripping down these groups.

The school is like a body. A body has many different parts; arms, legs, feet, head, hands, etc. The school has many parts, also. Scholars, jocks, drama nuts, musicians, journalists, ski-freaks, electronic hobbyists, mathematicians, artists, car enthusiasts, cheerleaders, and many more. Like a body, the school must have many different parts to function as a whole, each inter-related to each other, separate but one. Unless we want to see the world continued as it is, with all its prejudices, we better get it together, now.

UNITY FOR ALL
William Fawcett

Dear Editor,

In this age of poverty, war, and pollution, Drew McKinney's column, "Notes From File 13" provides a refreshing and amusing break from the monotony of straight news. It is good for all of us to view age old customs and institutions and laugh at how ridiculous they really are.

It is a shame that some will resent the column. Instead, it seems much

more appropriate that we could benefit from McKinney's satiric presentations of life at Marshall.

I personally look forward to each issue and McKinney's stories. There will be those who will take the column seriously and will be offended. I doubt this is the intent of "Notes From File 13." Students should appreciate this humorous exposure of conditions here at Marshall.

Harvey Wallbanger

Dear Mr. McKinney,

It has come to my attention that you have recently been on a one-month cut down spell. I, as a perspective reader, am slightly amused by these antics. I was wondering if you would be so kind as to explain that reasoning behind it.

I understand that some people have an uncontrollable urge to steal, fly, and even go around raping young ladies. For shame! Well, anyway, if my memory serves me correctly, you are new to this school; to this state for that matter. Is it not true that your family recently moved from Delaware, and is it not also true that Delawarians are noted to be notorious exaggerators? I for one enjoy your column immensely and hope that you will continue it. But, if you are open for a bit on constructive criticism, I suggest that in your next printing you display an article about some of the faculty, teachers in particular.

With this off my mind I remain yours,

John Carter

Mr. Olson: (Sports Editor)

In typical last minute fashion you sent one of your staff to write an article, deadline tomorrow, on a subject (Track), that doesn't even come into existence for another month.

We have no Track team as yet; the reporter tells me this doesn't matter she still has to write an article on a non-existent track team. This is a typical stunt I have seen so often pulled by the newspaper. To my mind, it is stupid to insist on make-shift information. I wish the news-

paper staff would wake up. When you want information, you want it NOW; only you wait until last minute ALWAYS to do it. I'll have you know that my homeroom wants the newspaper when it's published, but they've gotten one only twice so far this year.

You are terribly inconsistent in so far as what you expect in comparison to what you deliver.

Miss T. Conroy

P.S. There is NO information to be had on Girls Track. Do not manufacture any either or I'll hop all over your next deadline.

Dear Editor,

In your February 16, 1973 edition in the article "Folk Concert Hits a High Note" you made a very big mistake. You were mentioning the fact that the concert choir sang "God Bless America," "Battle Hymn of the Republic," etc. And you said Concert Choir made a very emotional moment when the audience rose and sang "Glory Glory Halleluah" with the Choir. Well for your information "The Battle Hymn" was sung by the Girl's Ensemble and the touching moment was made by us and not the Concert Choir. In the future, please give credit where credit is due.

Thank you,
Three Members of Girls' Ensemble



CONGRADULATIONS TO ANN RAINEY - For being selected to be in "Who's Who Among American High School Students," 1972-1973. Only 2% of the high school students in the United States are listed in this publication and to the best of our knowledge, Ann is the only Marshall student to be listed this year.



Colleges Accept:

ASBURY, KY.—Debbie Plaugher
VPI—Lee Parkhurst, Carl Thomas,
Charlene Mason, Bill Schuen-
eman, Katie Everard, Rick Mul-
lins, Linda Gibson, Debbie White,
Spencer Combos, Bob Booth,
Steve Brown, Ron Allred, Ray
Dixon, Orin Harvey, Jeff Cooper,
Carol Barrick, Steve Hurley, Mary
Tozier Donna Derr, Jim Roberts
MADISON—Garnett VanPatten,
Susan Alsip, Paul Horne, Jay Dri-
ver
LONGWOOD—Margaret Osso, Becky
Engles
PENN STATE—Brian Hazelwood
GEORGIA TECH—John Bukowski
RANDOLPH MACON, UNIV. OF
NOTRE DAME—Mike Culhane
UNIV. OF MARYLAND—Bob Has-
sett

SHEPARD COLLEGE—Debbie
White
JACKSONVILLE UNIV.—Spencer
Combos
VCU—Brenda Harrison
GEORGETOWN COL.—Susan Blak
JUNIATA—Dawn Rae Rogers
VALPARAISO UNIV.—Karen Ness

MADISON—Steve Herr
FERRUM—Barbara Sullivan
WOFFORD—Mike Atalla
FLORIDA STATE—Caroline Fox
SHAPARD COLLEGE—Mike Burke
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Elizabeth Mahony
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A "Foine and Looky Day"

Pat Turns Saint; Irish Cheer

by Debby O'Shaughnessy Harsch and Kathleen O'Mary McGarry

By the Mc's and O's you always know
True Irishmen, they say.
But when they lack their Mc's and O's
No Irishmen are they.

Editors note: So when a FitzPatrick, Kelly, or Culhane tells you they're Irish, don't believe them.

Irishmen are hardly a scarce commodity at any time of the year. However, their number seems to swell sharply around the middle of March. At this time there are only two kinds of people, those who are Irish . . . and those who wish they were.

Surprisingly enough, the most Irish of Irishmen wasn't Irish, but Welsh. St. Patrick was born around the year 389 A.D. in the part of Roman Britain that is now Wales. Seized by Irish raiders at the age of sixteen, he was sold as a slave in Ireland. Six years later he escaped and went home.

But Pat was destined to return. While in Ireland he had undergone a spiritual conversion. He wanted to return to convert the pagan Irish to Christianity, and thus become their patron saint.

His family and friends thought that he had gone potatoes and tried their darndest to get him to forget the whole thing. However Pat, already showing a streak of Irish perverseness, held firm to his decision. He eventually became Bishop of Ireland and returned to convert the Irish.

In Ireland St. Patrick gained fame for several reasons. Most notably, he established the shamrock as the national plant, using it to illustrate the doctrine of the Trinity. He also was responsible for ridding the island of snakes.

Patrick was so well loved by the Irish, that the day of his death, March 17, c. 461, became Ireland's first national holiday. Green was established as the national color, signifying undying gratitude to Pat's

memory. And it was in his honor that the potato was declared the national vegetable.

It is interesting to note that St. Patrick's Day was formerly the annual Holiday of Running Footmen and Sedan Chairmen, who were, with no exception, Irish. How the present St. Patrick's celebration evolved from this is still somewhat in doubt.

St. Patrick's Day is celebrated by Irish (and pseudo-Irish) wherever they exist. It has been observed in New York City since 1762. American observance of the day from 1845 has become nationwide. Celebrations staged by Irish in some American cities exceed those of good old Dublin.

In Ireland itself the celebration is less formal than in America, but more universal. Everyone wears a shamrock. The master and mistress of every household are expected to "drown the shamrock" in generous drafts of whiskey and then send the bottle(s) down to the kitchen for the servant(s). As everyone actively partakes of liquid celebration, the day affords Irishmen an opportunity to become more crooked than usual. (The pseudo-Irish always get carried away.) This probably explains the day's great popularity.

St. Patrick earnestly desired that the day of his celebration should always be fine, so in Ireland ever since, it is usually a "foine and looky day, for shure".



Local Band Makes Good

Marshall's Band Department once again struck a high note for the old alma mater. The Wind Ensemble, directed as always by Mr. John LaCava, performed outstandingly in the Band Festival held here last weekend. Of the forty-nine groups participating, the band tooted its way to the highest rating awarded.

To accomplish this awesome feat, the WE chose grade IV music, music which, on a scale of I-IV, was the most difficult. Ratings were also on a scale of 1-4, but with 1 being the highest. The band apparently struck all of the right chords, as the three judges judged it worthy of two 1's and a 1 plus.

Marshall's Concert Band and String Orchestra also played rather well. Both were awarded 2's.

Marshall will be competing in the Mid-Atlantic Band Festival to be held in May. The band has also been invited to play for the Navy School of Music in Norfolk on March 30.

Spread Summer Sunshine; M.D. Camp Needs Volunteers

For the first time in the seven years of the area muscular dystrophy summer camp, the campers and attendants were sent home before the end of the camping session. Hurricane Agnes stopped a camp.

As the campers arrived at Camp Montessor Sunday morning, the cloudy sky hinted at what was to come. But no camper or attendant noticed. They were looking forward to taking up the archery bow again, riding Old Doc around the ring, and splashing water in the face of one another, in the spring-fed swimming pool, for eight full days.

Sunshine was not in store for the weeks' activities. Rain began Monday evening and continued through the thrust of the storm Wednesday night. No riflery, no archery, no canoeing, no swimming, and yet it was one of the most successful camping sessions for muscular dystrophy patients. This is due to the efforts of the attendants. Each attendant, a volunteer from a near-by high school or college, put his all into making even the rainiest night a joy for his camper. Bowling, cards, singing, bus trips, plus a pig-greasing contest put on for the watching campers, all made the smiles and bright eyes reappear on the faces of every camper.

It was not an easy task. Pushing wheelchairs through mud is not a pleasant summer pastime. However, as the campers and attendants left for home Thursday afternoon, fresh out of dry clothes, it was with a mind full of happy memories. Square dancing to homemade music in the barn, chomping on popcorn while booing the villain in a Laurel and Hardy movie, mimicking the camp director in a homemade skit—all these would drown out the cold effects of the wet week that was their "Week To Do."

The Greater Washington Chapter of Muscular Dystrophy Associations of America does not plan on another hurricane this summer. It does plan on a full week of outdoor living, hopefully with sunny days and joyous times for muscular dystrophy campers, this year from June 16-23. Any male or female student, 15 years of age or older, who is interested in volunteering one week of their summer to make this 1973 summer camp a success, please contact the Muscular Dystrophy Association office, Room 614, 1028 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036, or phone 296-1672 between 9 and 5.

The attendants were the sunshine for the 1972 camp. Let's continue to make the precious moments of muscular dystrophy patients' lives as bright and cheerful as possible.

Nine Years Ago at Marshall ...

B-Ballers Come Thru

Marshall's long drought is over. The varsity basketball squad defeated W.T. Woodson High School, 60-59, for its first and only victory of the 1963-'64 season.

The game was played at Woodson on February 29.

The winning margin was provided by Joe Blackburn, who dropped in a two-pointer during the closing seconds of the game.

At halftime, the Cavaliers held a 32-20 lead. Largely responsible for nullifying this lead were three sharpshooting Statesmen, Jim Kane, John Kundzins, and Rick Lockhart, who scored 17, 15 and 12 points respectively.

Leading all scorers was Gabe Oliverio of Woodson with 27 points.

With the victory over Woodson, the Statesmen wound up the season with a 1-17 record.

AFS Club Changes Name

Marshall's American Field Service Club is now the proud possessor of a new name—the International Club.

Pat Baley, president of the club, feels that the new name will "broaden the scope of the club so that it can have better activities such as movies and lectures." The members of the International Club felt that a new name would be more appealing to students.

All students are still invited to join the club which meets every first and third Tuesday in room 202.

2300 Students Due Next Year

Marshall High School is expected to have an enrollment of 2300 students in the fall of 1964.

At present, the school is filled to its 2000 pupil capacity. The administration faces a serious problem—placing an abundant number of students in classrooms so that they aren't overcrowded.

"The '64-'65 sessions will run as planned," stated Mr. E. K. Hertzler, principal, "along the same schedule in use now."

A possible solution to the over crowded school problem would be to have seven periods whereby one period would be a study hall. This solution would take about 300 students out of the class rooms every period.

By the fall of 1965, it is anticipated that a new high school, now unofficially referred to as Potomac View, will be built. If completion of this school will not be in order for the start of that term, Marshall may be forced to go on a split shift to accommodate the large enrollment.

Skipping Is the Latest

The biggest fad among teenagers today is SKIPPING. Perhaps this stems from the fact that spring is in the air, or maybe it is just because the novelty has worn off and days are dragging. Regardless of their reasons, however, the delinquent skippers fall into three general classes.

First of the three types is the kind of person who skips and spends the whole period resting against a radiator in the restroom, or sitting on the wash basin puffing on a cigarette. All the while he congratulates himself for his bravery and ingenuity; in reality he has neither.

The second type shows only a little more independence than the first. He is the kind that, having successfully escaped school grounds, does nothing more interesting than go home and watch television. There he spends the day praying no one will discover him.

The third type of skipper is the only one that exhibits any imagination whatsoever. He skips with a reason; he has a destination or goal. More often than not, he goes fishing or downtown with friends and has himself a ball.

Even considering the pleasurable hours that may be spent free of school cares, the penalty for being caught skipping makes one wonder just how wise a thing it is. Too, many accidents or mishaps could take place and get the student in worse trouble. Perhaps students should examine a set of values that applaud such a worthwhile practice.

Baseball Team Opens Season

by Drew McKinney

One of the many signs of spring is the opening of baseball season in both the major leagues and in high schools. But while the pros have been feuding over salaries, Marshall baseball coach Jim Miller has been putting together what looks like a successful varsity team.

The team's strongest point will most likely be the infield. All four infield starters from last year are returning. Junior Larry Caynor will be at first base, with Gary Smerdzinski, 12, at second, Mike Morina, 12, playing shortstop, and junior Blair Flynn at third base.

The three outfield positions are not as secure. Miller would like to have the services of senior Mike Culhane, who has been reconditioning himself following an injury that occurred during the Regional football game. Jim Day, a JV outfielding prospect, has also been lost due to his transfer to the varsity pitching department.

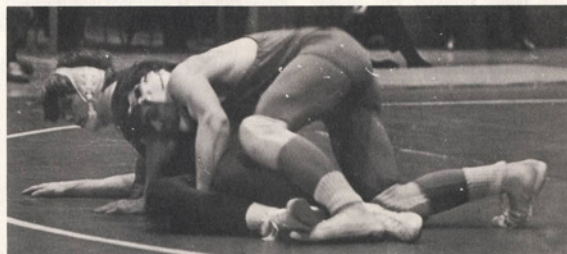
Probably the weakest area in the 1973 Marshall team is the pitching staff. Marshall lost four starters last year, retaining only sophomore Tom Davis. To fill in the other starting berths, Miller is relying on several players brought up from the JV team. Chief among these is Craig Burlingame, 11. The catching position will most likely be filled by Jeff Bush, 12. Bush was also the leading hitter last year.

How does the rest of the district look? Coach Miller foresees a close season. "W-L has very strong pitching this year," Miller said "also Oakton, who won the District Championship last year, and Herndon should prove tough opponents."

The season starts at Oakton on March 28. Game time is 4:00. The first night game for Marshall will be on April 13 at Marshall. That game will start at 7:30.



Steve Brown



Steve Brown works on his opponent.

Steve Brown Second in State Tournament

As Marshall's Wrestling Team wound up its 1972-73 season the overview seemed quite dismal. Despite two new excellent coaches, the team had won only two matches. This was the result of the loss of many experienced wrestlers due to graduation and "early retirement". The one ray of hope left for the team to salvage some success was the post-season tournament.

Yet this hope seemed slim indeed. Third was the highest that any Statesman was seeded in the District Tournament. Indeed, third place was the highest that any Statesman achieved. However, Senior Steve Brown was a pleasant surprise as he moved from eighth seed to take third place. Steve had posted a 7-3 district mark but he was seeded eighth as a result of extremely questionable seeding procedures.

Steve faced Madison's undefeated Conrad Osterwalder in the first round. Steve had been shutout earlier by Osterwalder earlier in the season so the outlook was not bright. The match was much closer than expected as Steve wrestled well before losing 5-3.

Steve came back to pin Stuart Blue of W-L in the third period. In the Consolation Finals Steve faced Herndon's Steve Thomas for third place. Thomas had upset Steve earlier but this time the Hornet was shutout 4-0.

Before the Regional Tournament, Steve had not really lived up to his potential. As a result of sickness, he was only able to "pull" four pounds whereas his opponents had "pulled" 10-20 pounds (to pull is a wrestling term meaning to lose weight). As a result Steve had to jump from the 105 pound weight class where he had wrestled as a junior to the 119 pound class.

The Regional Tournament started off well as Steve pinned his first opponent, Al Hirschman of Woodson with a guillotine. "The guillotine is my favorite pinning combination; I've pinned five people with it," observed Steve.

Next came the all-important match against Osterwalder. After two previous losses while wrestling defensively, Steve decided to go "all out". His aggressive strategy paid off as he upset Osterwalder 8-6. "After I beat Osterwalder I gained more confidence in myself," related Steve.

Against Paul Osman of Langley, Steve had to go into overtime to gain the victory. The match was tied 3-3 at the end when time ran out but Steve won in overtime 6-5. Osman had shutout Steve during the regular season and this victory was further evidence of Steve's improvement.

The winning streak was ended as Stuart's Jeff Havard beat Steve 8-5 for the Regional Championship. Havard scored all of his eight points during the second period.

Advancing to the State Tournament, Steve won his first two matches. In his first match he was losing 0-6 but with time running out, Steve reversed his opponent and used his "guillotine" to pin him. Steve outpointed his second opponent 14-9 to advance to the State Semi-Finals.

In the semi-finals Steve faced T.C. Williams' Joe Flynn. Both wrestlers had practiced together and although Flynn was the quicker of the two wrestlers, Steve had discovered that he could use a "banana split" against Flynn. He used the "banana split" to edge Flynn 3-2 and advance to the State Championship.

Crisis Conwright of Cox, (Cox won the team championship), was Steve's opponent in the finals. After falling behind 3-0 Steve came back and reversed Conwright to make the score 3-2. At the end of the match Steve almost reversed his opponent again. However, Conwright held on and gained another point for riding time and won the State Championship 4-2. Steve's second place was the best showing for a Marshall wrestler since Danny Naleppa won the State Championship in 1970.

Steve felt that "Coach Hilgert deserved to get more wrestlers into the State Tournament but our team was young and inexperienced, Coach Hilgert is a tremendous coach. Conwright beat me because he wrestled smart... he didn't make many mistakes."

Steve will probably wrestle at college. He is thinking of attending V.P.I.

SPORTSFOLIO

By Lori Ryan



Steve Perlik

Senior Steve Perlik has been chosen to be spotlighted in this issue's Sportsfolio because of his proficient athletic ability and leadership qualities.

Steve participates in two sports at Marshall: football and track. He first became interested in football at the age of seven when he played fullback for a Boy's Club. Steve explained, "When I scored two touchdowns, the only two we scored, I knew that football was my sport." Even though he said it jokingly, it is true.

During his freshman year, Steve played freshman football but did not participate in track. As a sophomore, he played JV football and took part in such field events as high jump, long jump and triple jump on the track team. In the fall of his junior year, Steve could be found on the football team again, this time on the varsity squad. Last year, Steve was

the second highest scorer on the track team.

Football certainly is Steve's sport and he proved it this year by being awarded All-Great Falls District line-backer, second team All-Regional, second team All-Metropolitan and an Honorable Mention in All-State. Head football coach Mr. Ed Henry says of Steve, "He was a real defensive leader and the most improved player this season."

Steve plans to be on the track team this spring and is very optimistic when asked how the team would do. "There is no doubt in my mind that district will be duck soup!" In other words the track team has a strong team and should be particularly strong in field events.

As of now, Steve is undecided about colleges. He has been accepted at Madison College, Virginia.



Coach Jim Miller instructs last year's MVP Jeff Bush.

Tennis Coach Returns, All 25 Tryouts Accepted

"We have Great Depth in our first dozen players," stated the New Tennis Coach John Gouldin. Asked by Mr. Herbert Yost, Mr. Gouldin has become the new Tennis coach for Marshall. "I was tennis coach five years ago and wanted to have another chance."

Twenty-five students tried out for the team all of which made the squad. Returning lettermen were Seniors Jeff Arnold and Dan Kesner, Junior John Farmer and Sophomore Walt Howes.

The top 12 players up to date are, in order, Jeff Arnold, 12, Dan Kesner, 12, Walt Howes, 10, Mario Espinosa, 11, Brian McGinn, 5, Jim Turnage, 11, Pat Finch, 10, Dave Goehring, 9, John Farmer, 11, Mike Mewborn, 10, Mike Keith, 12, and Mike McGinn, 11. These top 12 will be followed by Senior Rod Bono, Juniors James Baum, Charles Simko, George Young and Rick Crenshaw, Sophomores Dave Casey, Jay Graves, Coe Kastaniotis, Roy Lashbrook, and Tom Schottler, Freshmen Greg Mantz, Tom Paynter, and Keith Wilson. Team Captains are Mario

Espinosa and Dan Kesner.

So far the practices have included the usual Warmups, Drills on loops, services, volleys and films on rainy days. There will be six singles and three doubles played at each match.

Coach Gouldin stated that there would be a Tennis team standing latter in the front lobby which will show the standings of each time from period to period.

The toughest opponent is expected to be Yorktown who were state champions last year. The Marshall squad should be well built for the future as many will gain experience this year as there are only 2 seniors in the top ten.

Cannon, Keen Compete

by John Cheffens

Dave Cannon and Steve Keen were the only two Statesmen to compete in the Winter Track State Championships held at Virginia Military Institute. Both did a splendid job for their efforts.

Cannon, 11, finished 8th in the

Gymnasts Spring Into Action

by Lori Ryan

A new sport has been introduced to Marshall this year, the men's gymnastics team. The gymnastics team is being coached by Mr. Pat Dolan, a geography teacher here at Marshall.

This initial season will be for the team to gain needed experience before perhaps becoming a varsity sport in the future. The team will not compete in any formal meets. If there are to be any meet they will be by invitation. This means that Mar-

shall could compete against other schools, but not for points, just experience.

Coach Dolan is very optimistic about his newly-formed team and he feels, "we should be good competition in years to come". He also added that "there is a lot of experience on the team."

The idea of a men's gymnastics team seems to have enthused a lot of males as there are about twenty boys that come to daily practices and work-outs.

Soccer Squad To Start 2nd Season

Marshall's varsity soccer team will open its season on March 20 against Jefferson. The team will play ten games during the season, including two against each of the participating Great Falls districts, teams, Langley, McLean, and Madison.

in State Track Meet

two mile run with a slow time of 9:44. Dave credits his disappointing time to mental mistakes during his race. Another factor was that Coach Schlogi wasn't there to pace him on.

Dave hopes to double in the mile and two mile runs this spring for district competition and just stick with the two mile run for regional and state. Only Langley and W & L have boys that could give Dave a little trouble. The rest of the district looks weak.

Steve Keen, 12, also finished 8th at State, but first in his heat with a 37 second 330 yard dash. Steve runs the quarter (440) in spring, and he hopes to defend his District Title. Steve's biggest obstacle will be Chris Hanes of Yorktown who just moved in from California. Hanes won the 500 yard dash at State. A team man at heart Steve stated, "If Cheffens can get back in shape from his ankle injury, our mile relay team can win Regional."



John Bernazani and Darrell Burns prepare for Presidential Classroom.

Presidential Classroom Lives!

By John Bernazani

For me, the week of February 17-24 was a week full of learning and fun.

It all started in November, when I was selected by the Marshall government faculty, to attend a Presidential Classroom for Young Americans. The Presidential Classroom is held at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington D.C. every week for five months a year. Students from high schools from all 50 states, U.S. Territories and American Community Schools overseas are eligible to attend this week of in-depth study of our Federal Government.

Before I knew it, everything I had been looking forward to was here. A week of seminars, tours, visits, lectures, and a few unexpected surprises.

The big day had come, and that Saturday found me in the lobby of the Shoreham, registering and getting my room assignment on the second floor, which I later discovered, was permanently and solely for the use of the Presidential Classroom. Pennants of high schools were hung up and down the hall for everyone to see. Some of the early arrivals were gathered in the hall exchanging names and states and exclaiming about the terrible food that was served on the airlines. Later in the week the hall became the most popular place to socialize, play baseball with paper cups, and watch the girls go by. There were five of us to a room. I was with some guys from California, Rhode Island, Ohio, and Tennessee. We were all strangers at first, but by the evening we were the best of friends.

Most of the seminars we had were held in one of the hotel's many huge ballrooms. Everyone attended these seminars to hear guest speakers, and to discuss politics, people, government branches, policies, the media, and many other topics. Some of the guest speakers were Martin Agronsky, General Creighton Abrams, and the Ambassador of Kenya.

We also went to the CIA, Pentagon, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, and the Justice Department to hear guest speakers. Most were very interesting, few were boring. The speakers limited themselves to a twenty minute talk, followed by a barrage of questions from us which they tried to answer.

We had little free time during the day. The most was a fifteen-minute break, or less, between seminars. One

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Black History Week a Success

by Kay Gawelko

Journey Into Blackness
Why this journey into Blackness?

Because . . .
...there's so much more to being Black than "right on brother" and "afro hair styles."

Because Blackness is an especially different and exciting unique experience that needs to be expressed.

Because the story of Black America is often the untold portion of this nation's history and as a result, Black and White America are growing apart.

Because this journey is long overdue; it's past time to begin to understand.

Because there's a lot to be done that needs to be seen; a lot to be said that's got to be heard.

Because there's more to BLACKNESS than meets the eye, that's why.

Twiggy
(a student at Guilford
College, North Carolina)

February 12-16 culminated months of hard work and planning by members of the Fairfax County Human Relations Committee as well as black students here at Marshall.

The first day of Black History Week was Pride Day, where Black students showed how proud they were of their color by wearing red, black, and green. These colors were chosen as symbols of their blood, color, and the land they worked. Throughout the week special displays were shown and talks were given. For instance, a two day display was given in the auditorium whose theme was: "Biography Illuminates the Black Ex-

perience." Also, Mr. Pearman from the Office of Education in D.C. came and gave a talk to interested students.

Other highlights of the week were a valentine candy sale, and a concert. Two bands were chosen for the concert, a black one, "Black Love" and a white one, "Tramp." This was done in an effort to show black and white togetherness at Marshall. Proceeds

from both of these events went to Sickle Cell Anemia.

Mr. Lawson summed up the whole week by saying, "It is expected as more materials become available that minority contributions will receive their rightful place in the school curriculum of Fairfax County."

We would like to express
our sincere thanks to our sponsors,
staff, and students at G.C.M. for
making Black History Week truly a
"Journey into Blackness".

Black History Week
Organizational Committee

Computer Science Programed for '73-'74

Beginning next year, a new course called Computer Science will be offered as a 1/2 credit semester course.

The computer, located in the Massey Building in Fairfax, is hooked up by telephone to a terminal which looks like a glorified typewriter, in Mr. Paris Rasmic's room. The terminal will later be moved to room 106. Similar set-ups are used by approximately 20 other high schools in the area.

The purpose of the course is to acquaint the student with the computer, what the computer does, and current usage of computers. The course will be helpful to those who plan to go on to a career in computer

or in college engineering, math and science programs, although the course is not recognized by some colleges as an academic math credit.

Hopefully in the future, the use of the computer can be expanded to include students in biology, physics, and economics classes, not only those in the computer class. There is a lot of math involved and "it is a difficult course so we want people who are interested in computers and will work," said Mr. Rasmic.

The class will be available to students who have had algebra II or more or will be taking Algebra II next year.



Algebra the easy way.

It Was a Very Good Year

by Brad Evers

Marshall's Key Club has been active again this year in several areas. Projects completed to date include the painting of the lion emblem on the pressbox, cleaning up the court-yards, collecting for UNICEF, the Sadie Hawkins Dance, and the sale of cushion/tote bags.

In addition to these activities, club officers for next year have been elected. They are: Dave Watt, President; Walter House, vice president; Greg Bartholomew, secretary; and Steve Simons, treasurer. All Key clubbers are looking forward to the Key Club Convention to be held in Ocean City Maryland April 13 through the 15. Delegates from Key Clubs all over the country will be present for meetings, discussions, and fun.

The latest project for the Key and

Keyette Clubs is Teacher Appreciation Week. Traditionally sponsored by the Keyettes, this year the Key Club is helping out to try and make the week a big success.

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names of juniors and faculty were not yet available, but in the line up for the donkeys are Honey Pot, Snuffy, Thunder Ball, Kilroy, Elvis, Beetle Bomb, Super Stupid, and Rigor Mortis.

Junior boys who wished to play should have submitted their name, and, to insure a fair line-up, names will be drawn from a hat.

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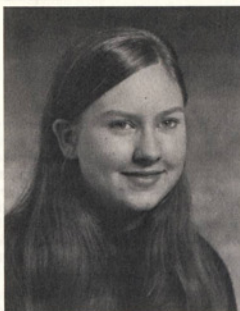
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The AFS International, New York, has announced that two George C. Marshall students, Lynn Roberts and Denise Mullins, have reached the



finalist stage of acceptance for assignments in foreign lands. They are now awaiting their placement.

Cast Prepares for "Mama"

The Thespians of George C. Marshall High School (7731 Leesburg Pike) are presenting *I Remember Mama* at 8:00 on the evenings of Thursday, March 29; Friday, March 30; and Saturday, March 31. Under the direction of Mrs. Irene Odorizzi, the play will be performed for an admission fee of \$150.

I Remember Mama is a charming and irresistible adaptation of *Mama's Bank Account*, a collection of short stories by Kathryn Forbes which chronicle the trials of an immigrant family in turn-of-the-century San Francisco. Each of its scenes centers around a different episode in the

efforts of *Mama* (Tammy Kendall, 11) to preserve her home in the face of illness, strikes, prejudice, and a hard life in general.

Mama is an epic character, especially as seen through the eyes of her oldest daughter Katrin (Margie Commerce, 10) who serves to link the play together in her role as narrator. *Mama* feeds both body and soul; she is full of ingenious devices to protect her children and forward their interests; she is resourceful as well as generous; masterful as well as loving. She runs her own family and her sisters' and even controls the terrifying Uncle Chris, a "black Norwegian" of formidable temper and violent habits, who drinks and swears, "keeps a woman" and frightens everyone around him. *Mama*, like her fictitious bank account, is more than just a mother, she is a symbol of security, as potent a symbol now as she was in the age of chaos in which *Mama* was first produced.

The strength of *I Remember Mama* is largely due to the wealth and variety of its characters. Along with *Mama*, a horde of characters remains vivid from the cast of *Mama*. The adolescent Katrin composes excruciating stories about artists who go blind, in the meantime hoping to become a writer. Baby sister Dagmar (Alice McKernon, 10) pines for a menagerie, brother Nels (Tom Riggs, 10) aspires to go to high school, and Christine (Cindy Waters, 9) serves to remind Katrin of her domestic obligations. Demure Aunt Trina becomes the tremulous bride of an undertaker's assistant (Earl Fox, 10). Uncle Chris (Bob Arndt, 12) the sport of *Mama's* two prying married sisters (Kim Evans, 11, and Carolyn Chryst, 10) is next to *Mama* by far the most arresting person. To contrast his gaudy behavior, we see him to be a good man, having spent most of his money to help crippled children.

Notes From File 13



by Drew McKinney

For a third time in a row, I have managed to sneak these meager jottings past the censors and the Citizens For Decent Literature in order to report on the follies of some of the occupants of this cinderblock structure we call school. Only this time, I'm not writing about a student, but of a being even more oppressed than any kid...

It was a fine Thursday morning when Miss Susan Newteacher parked her new used car and hurriedly entered good ol' Marshall. She marched into the mailbox room and stared openmouthed at the vast amount of papers crammed into the little pigeonhole designated for her use. Lacking any better ideas, she flagged down an incoming busload of kids and had them help her tote all the stuff to her room, room 243.

Susan Newteacher was a graduate of the State University. For four years she had been taught how to teach others. She mastered composition, grammar, and ancient authors the way a tanker captain can handle a rowboat in a pond. Certainly she was dedicated enough. Ever since she got out of high school herself, Miss Newteacher had wanted to help others as she was helped. Unfortunately, a knowledge of Shakespeare did not help Miss Newteacher decipher the mass of garbage lying on her desk. No time to decode now, the first period class has arrived.

Miss Newteacher got the class busy on an essay on "My Best Friend" and then sat down to get her world in order. Ah, here is the grade book. No grades yet, but what the heck. The class rosters are poorly typed and all names other than Smith or Jones have been chopped in half. Next the names, or half-names, are the all-important Student Numbers. Woe to the peasant whose number is not on the Master File. He does not exist. He might as well be dead.

Back to the problem at hand. Miss Newteacher has only scratched the surface of what will be the ruin of her. What the heck is a VD Consent Slip? The front office wants to know the percentage of students born in October. The SC has cranked out another newsletter to be distributed to each kid. Intermixed into all this trivia are lists of kids who will be absent from class for some reason. Miss Newteacher puts a checkmark next to the names of those in her

classes. Oh wow, out of 150 kids in her six classes, she will only see 15. And this is a "nothing" day.

The majority of the papers are memos and notices put out by various obscure offices light years away. Some samples follow:

Memo No. 184—Students who fracture arms or legs should be sent to the Nurse without delay.

Memo No. 185—The Nurse's Office is closed from 8:00 to 2:00. Please discourage your students from injuring themselves during that time.

Memo No. 294—Please send all students who are skipping class to the office immediately. (Miss Newteacher would like to oblige, but how does she send students who are not there?)

Memo No. 358—The rise in illegal hall use has forced us to start a new pass system. Yellow passes are lav passes. Hall passes are blue. Office passes are white. Red passes are needed to legally breathe.

Memo No. 1058 is particularly catchy. It starts out, "Please disregard the following..."

It's lunchtime and Miss Newteacher joins the mad rush to the parking lot and freedom. Not until she is in her car does she realize that she's left her car keys on her desk. So Miss Newteacher goes to the cafeteria in order to stand in line for 20 minutes along with the students. When she does get to sit down, the bell rings. No lunch today.

When Miss Newteacher gets back to her room, she is greeted by Mrs. Battlescarred, a 15 year veteran of the school system. The reason she's survived is that she didn't try to buck the system. If the Administration asked her to slash her wrists, she would gladly do so. Her advice to Miss Newteacher is: Don't Fight It. The mass of paperwork is the lifeblood of the Powers That Be. Without a new batch of forms and memos to hand out each day, the memo writers and form distributors would shrivel up like raisins. Miss Newteacher listens, but she doesn't understand. She isn't trying to be a rebel, it's just that she's been so busy reading memos and passing out forms that she's been unable to teach anything. The rules are very strict. Attendance cards are to be marked in a certain way. All shortcuts have been regulated out of existence. To mark them differently would constitute open mutiny against the School System, Mom and apple pie.

Mrs. Battlescarred departs and the fifth period begins. Where are those attendance cards? Under the radiator? In the trash can? Under all those papers on the desk? Who knows? And when you get right down to it, who cares? Only the office and those who like to keep track of such things.

The day ends and Miss Newteacher is greeted by fellow teachers in rooms surrounding hers. Ceremonial bottles of Geritol and Maalox opens. Suddenly, there is a horrid pounding at the door. The other teachers scuttle away and Miss Newteacher is left to face a walking mass of red tape. With each step it takes, a deep voice within it reads off a list of offenses committed by Miss Newteacher. The attendance cards were improperly marked. She neglected to fill out the October birthday survey. To top it all off, she had the nerve to allow a kid to go to the bathroom without a yellow pass. Miss Newteacher screams in horror, but the monster comes closer and closer. Just before it could reach her, Miss Newteacher jumped through a window and ran off into the sunset.

Miss Newteacher never became a full-fledged teacher. Disgusted with the paperwork involved, she found another occupation. And when she brings you your Whopper and fries at lunchtime tomorrow, please tell her I sent you.

I am everywhere. I see everything. Nobody (including myself) knows where I'll strike next. Who knows? I might end up writing about YOU!

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day was devoted to a tour of Washington, D.C., in which all 232 of us participated. We also saw *Godspell* one evening and had a nighttime tour of the city. Finally, on Friday we were given about three hours of free time.

We also spent some time in the Capitol Hill area, seeing Congress and various committees in session, as well as meeting with our state Senators and Congressmen. It was a lot of work, and we were constantly on the go, from six in the morning until late at night, but we enjoyed every minute!

Our instructors, who were very helpful, were all volunteers from various government agencies. Every evening, we received a newsletter called the Presidential Daily, which had all information and schedule for the following day's activities. Each night there were small and large discussion groups and seminars in certain rooms, lounges, and the hall, where anyone could join in and talk about anything. It was in these discussion groups that we made many friends, heard varied opinions, argued, joked, and learned.

On our last night there, we had a graduation banquet, followed by a dance. Then diplomas were awarded, and we had a few minutes of farewell speeches. That night everyone was both happy and sad. Happy that they had come, worked hard, and made friends. Sad that it was now all over. But in all, that week of Presidential Classroom was terrific!!

This month, another Marshall student, Darrell Burns, 12, will be off to the Shoreham for a week of the Presidential Classroom. When he returns, both of us will be around to all the Junior and Senior history and government classes to talk about our experiences.

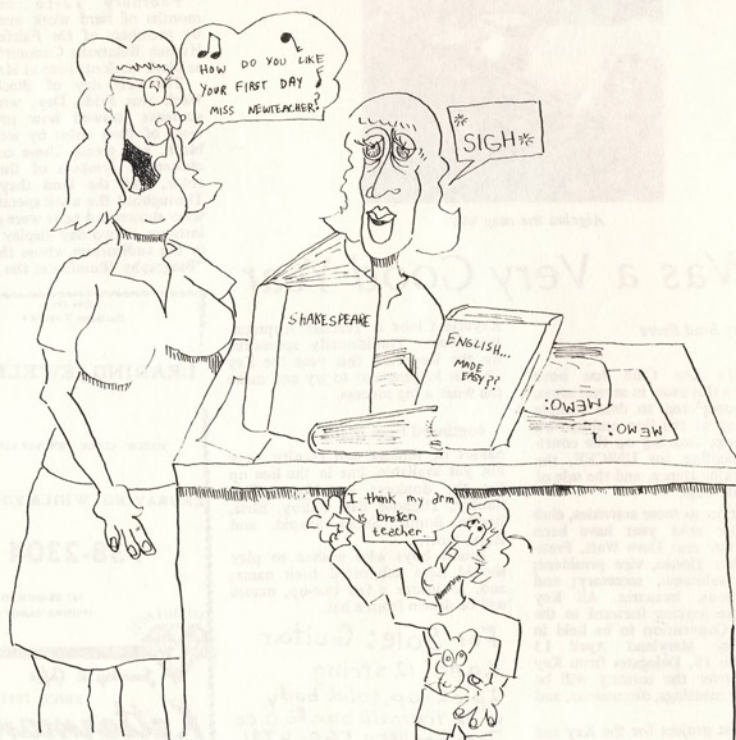
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