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Washington And Monroe To Merge

On Oct. 17 the Portland School Board voted to merge Monroe High School with Washington High School at the Washington site.

Under the approved plan, students will be able to share classes and facilities with Benson High School.

The merger, which is to become effective by the start of school next September, was approved following nearly three hours of testimony and debate. Many of the speakers wanted to maintain independent identities for the three schools involved, even if the merger was decided necessary. The resolution was proposed by Jonathan Newman and was amended only slightly. Some of the points of the resolution were:

- The Monroe school building and facilities will be preserved by the school district for later use.

- Improvements to Washington High School should be speeded up in any manner possible to facilitate the

merger.

- The name of the merged schools will tentatively be Washington and Monroe High School.

Washington High School principal William Gray stated,

O.E.P. Provides Alternative

The Optional Education Program (OEP) is housed in room 312 at Washington High School. This program offers structure, study in the basic skills, and individual attention to the problems of the student.

Mr. Paul Tinker, teacher, and Mr. Nunnery Green, teacher aide, work in the program. They have identified high-interest materials, which can be used in the classroom; they have observed students in classrooms at Washington; they have offered their time to help other staff members with problems.

If staff are in need of as-

sistance, they are invited to room 312, and OEP may be able to supply an answer. Classroom materials are on display there for anyone to view.

Mr. Tinker and Mr. Green have been hired to provide an alternative to students who have problems in the classroom - or in school activities. To help the program to succeed, the class needs more students to fill the enrollment. If you know of someone who may benefit from OEP, don't hesitate to talk the matter over with Mr. Tinker or Mr. Green. **THEY NEED YOUR HELP.**

Benton Named Portland Jr. Miss



CATHY BENTON — Miss Benton was recently named Portland's Junior Miss in pageant at Mt. Hood Community College.

IRL Membership Increases

The International Relations League is getting underway this year with its sixty-three members already having events planned.

On October 24 there is a Security Council Meeting at University of Oregon in Eugene, all day. In December there will be a Christmas Around the World Party put on by the students.

In February there will be a Training Session for the Spring Conference hosted by Washington and Wilson high schools; and on April 20-22 the mock U.N. conference will be held at the University of Oregon at Eugene.

This year Washington students will represent the countries of Finland, Netherlands, Panama, Saudi Arabia, Iceland, Greece, Jamaica, and Poland. Individual schools are

asked to choose the countries of the United Nations which they wish to represent throughout the year.

The goal of IRL is to instruct the members about the specifics of the United Nations, and to enable the students to carry out a model U.N. conference in the spring. The students who participate do so voluntarily and pay dues. They are expected to be re-

sponsible to the club's activities and willing to make small sacrifices to learn the things they do not presently know about the United Nations.

The Washington Club is composed of recommended sophomores, juniors, and seniors of high academic standing.

"I think it will be much more fun this year because of the student participation," said junior Sheilagh Conroy.

Seniors Capture Homecoming Crown

They were called Super Seniors and that's what they were!

For two years the Class of '78 has managed to take the spotlight.

It was a special event when the juniors won Homecoming last year and then went on to win it again as seniors.

The seniors took in the points by winning the attendances at both the swim party and dance. Also, they won the Bearded Beauty and Jingle Contest.

Trailing close behind the seniors were the juniors. They put in a great amount of effort and almost took the

crowns by winning cafeteria decorations and the powder-puff football games.

Sophomores teamed up with the junior class to take a victory in the pie-in-the-face softball game.

For it being their first year, the freshmen really stood out. They showed great enthusiasm and spirit during the Homecoming events and were rewarded by winning the tug-of-war, tricycle race, and the obstacle course.

Competition was steep! But, the class of '78 triumphed again!

Highlights

- November 4 - Sadie Hawkins Dance
- November 10 - End of Grading Period
- November 11-13 - Veterans' Day - 3-day weekend
- November 14 - Beginning of second grading period
- November 16-19 - FALL PLAY
- November 16 - Matinee 3:30 p.m.
- November 17-19 - Night showings 8 p.m.
- November 22 - Fall Concert
- November 24 - Starting of Thanksgiving Vacation

The Miss Junior Portland contest was held on October 8 at 7:30 p.m. at Mt. Hood Community College. Out of twenty-two girls from all over Oregon, Cathy Benton, student body president-elect from Washington High School, was chosen the new Miss Junior Portland.

She received information concerning the contest from Mrs. Sue Stahl and filled out an application. She then attended a series of installations explaining the rules for the contest. The 22 girls have had five rehearsals. The judges' scoring system was as follows: 35% Interview; 15% Physical Fitness; 15% Scholastic Ability; 15% Talent; and 15% Poise and Appearance.

Cathy wanted to stress to everyone: "It is NOT a beauty contest."

For winning Miss Junior Portland, Cathy received a \$500 bond and other prizes. She will now go on to the Oregon Junior Miss Pageant where she will have to design a hairstyle which is sponsored by Breck, design a dress, sponsored by Simplicity, create a party recipe sponsored by Kraft, present a photograph of her favorite subject, sponsored by Kodak.

The entire Miss Junior Portland was sponsored by the

Kiwanis Club.

Commenting on the whole event, Cathy stated, "It was a good and valuable experience; everyone had a good time together."

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Teen Alcoholism Poses Threat

by Kevin Baker

Drinking is as much a part of our world as driving a car or watching television. However, we must guard against alcohol when it begins to tear down the structure of that world. Teen-age alcoholism is a growing problem in today's society. Perhaps it has escaped notice because of the furor over the drug abuse dilemma.

Drinking is a means of coping, whether you drink to relax or to escape from your problems. Why do you drink? We thought that it might be interesting to parents, administrators, and yourselves to run a survey on your drinking habits.

To determine some of the drinking habits of Washington High School students, we ran a survey of eight pertinent questions. The first detail we inquired about was: Have you ever taken an alcoholic beverage? (Religious reasons excluded).

MEN	
Yes	90%
No	10
SENIORS	
Yes	88
No	12
JUNIORS	
Yes	94
No	6
SOPHOMORES	
Yes	88
No	12
FRESHMEN	
Yes	89
No	11
WOMEN	
Yes	87
No	13
SENIORS	
Yes	95
No	5
JUNIORS	
Yes	93
No	7
SOPHOMORES	
Yes	87
No	13
FRESHMEN	
Yes	59
No	41
OVERALL	
Yes	88
No	12
When you drink do you become intoxicated?	
MEN	
Yes	58%
No	42
SENIORS	
Yes	57
No	43
JUNIORS	
Yes	75
No	25

SOPHOMORES	
Yes	54
No	46
FRESHMEN	
Yes	44
No	56
WOMEN	
Yes	46
No	54
SENIORS	
Yes	47
No	43
JUNIORS	
Yes	50
No	50
SOPHOMORES	
Yes	45
No	55
FRESHMEN	
Yes	41
No	59
OVERALL	
Yes	51
No	49
The second question we asked was: What do you drink?	
MEN	
Beer	84%
Wine	50
Hard Liquor	37
WOMEN	
Beer	61
Wine	64
Hard Liquor	38
OVERALL	
Beer	71
Wine	56
Hard Liquor	38
An interesting question was: How often do you drink?	
MEN	
Once monthly or less	41%
Several times monthly	22
Once a week	17
More than once	20
WOMEN	
Once monthly or less	49
Several times monthly	27
Once a week	5
More than once	19
OVERALL	
Once monthly or less	46
Several times monthly	25
Once a week	11
More than once	19
Do your parents know you drink?	
MEN	
Yes	65%
No	35
WOMEN	
Yes	63
No	37
OVERALL	
Yes	64
No	36
Do they approve or condone it?	
MEN	
Yes	28%
No	72
WOMEN	
Yes	25
No	75
OVERALL	
Yes	26
No	74
Where do you obtain your alcohol?	
MEN	

Parents	36%
Friends	47
Parties	29
Buy it illegally	20
WOMEN	
Parents	44
Friends	38
Parties	43
Buy it illegally	14
OVERALL	
Parents	41

Friends 43
Parties 37
Buy it illegally 16
Some of these statistics may seem amazing but they are true. Approximately 450 students were surveyed and about 150 of those were thrown out because of a lack of seriousness. So draw your own conclusions.

What Is Discrimination?

by Martin Hughley

"You do not take a person who, for years, has been hobbled by chains and liberate him, bring him up to the starting line of a race and then say, 'You are free to compete with all the others,' and still justly believe that you have been completely fair."

Lyndon Johnson

It has gone on throughout history. For all the centuries of civilized man, society has had its downtrodden and its underprivileged. It seems to be the nature of man: to prefer those of one's own kind and to look upon others as inferior, or less deserving. Naturally, the largest or strongest group in a society will rule and will provide advantages for themselves. The minorities lose in many ways.

But we have come to see that discrimination is not natural, nor is it acceptable. The fight to eradicate it in this country has been in progress for well over a century; from the emancipation of slaves through the suffrage movements, and the emotional civil rights campaigns of the 1960's. Up against tradition and prejudice, equal rights crusaders have had a tough time of it, and the work is not done yet.

DISCRIMINATION AND THE LAW

America is, in many ways, a nation of laws, a republic founded on the principles of justice. The war against discrimination has been fought, in part, on a legal front.

One of the biggest cases involving the rights of Negroes came in 1857, before the abolition of slavery. The Dred Scott decision showed that some of the nation's wisest men felt that Negroes were an "inferior class of beings" (a view still held in Southern Africa) and that then they were property, much as land and cattle. That attitude from the Supreme Court, still, seems shocking and inhumane.

Two of the major victories were in the granting of women's suffrage and another Supreme Court case, Brown vs. Board of Education, that declared the illegality of public school segregation in 1954.

The current effort is for the passage of the controversial Equal Rights Amendment (ERA).

DISCRIMINATION AND OPPORTUNITY

A share of the American dream. That is what federal affirmative action programs are supposed to help provide to women and minorities. Established in 1965 by President

Johnson, these programs are the major governmental tool to make this a country of equal opportunity for all.

The principle of affirmative action is being severely tested in the Allan Bakke case currently before the Supreme Court.

The entire subject of discrimination with regards to employment and higher education is complex and volatile. The validity and fairness of such things as seniority and intelligence tests is being questioned and argued widely. Preferential treatment for a given group is an old custom, yet many people object to it being federally sanctioned to aid minorities. Many, thought, feel that insurance of equality is a governmental responsibility.

Merely defining "equality" is a hefty task. One noted professor questions the belief "that a society in which equal opportunity is provided is one in which all groups are represented in . . . all professions in numerical proportion to the total population."

These and many other problems are facing the Court in the important Bakke case (which will be examined separately at a later time).

DISCRIMINATION AND FREE CHOICE

Recently some efforts at equality have started to infringe heavily upon the freedom of choice. Rulings that declare father and son picnics unconstitutional are ludicrous and far off the mark of constructive change. Anita Bryant's anti-gay campaign is a meddling effort rooted in ignorance.

Discrimination is a difficult subject. There are many considerations to be weighed—social, individual, economic, and humanitarian. It is one of the problems of today that will still be around for today's youth to wrestle with.

Next: The Allan Bakke Case and the Future of American Society.

We welcome and encourage letters of reply and rebuttal to editorials printed in the Washingtonian. It is our wish to be a vehicle of your views and concerns. If students or staff members wish to place guest editorials or other newsworthy articles in the Washingtonian they may contact Kevin Baker or Mr. Jim Maloney in Room 118.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

During Homecoming Week, the Executive Council invited KPAM's Brian O'Neil to come 4th and 5th lunch, to add a new beat to our school spirit. The cafeteria hadn't been that full since last year when another local radio station came. It was good, clean fun.

The last issue of The Washingtonian ran Mr. Joseph Bowman's article "Images: The Few Hurt the Many." He stated . . . that the students were hanging around street corners smoking, fighting, and impeding traffic."

Music seemed to be the perfect magnet for moving the "image wrecker" indoors. The street corners were virtually vacant on October 11 during 4th and 5th periods. Fourth period enjoyed a full 45 minutes of music with no problem; however 5th period had only 25 minutes when one of our school administrators quietly asked KPAM to leave. Mr. Bowman cited the following reason for their requested departure: "Too many kids were cutting their 5th period lunch to be in the cafeteria, and the kids needed to quiet down for their 6th period class."

Where would you rather have the students be: in the lunch room or on the street corners?

As far as our image goes I think we blew one outside opinion on us. KPAM came free of charge only to be cut short.

Courtesy and consideration for guests while they are at our school is also an important image. Should not both the students AND the administration be responsible for our image?
Elizabeth Brim

Dear Editor:

What ever happened to our good old candy machine where 15¢ could buy you some munchies? The cheapest item in the new machines is 25¢. The new machines give a wide variety of snack foods, but the prices are so high! The students are forced to pay these prices, and the money goes to the school. I suppose inflation has struck everywhere, even in the pockets of the students.
Marie Nicholas

Dear Editor:

I have heard we are not having a Mini-Mini Week this year. Is this true? If it is I wish it would be reconsidered!

I was looking forward to another Mini-Mini Week. I was counting Mini-Mini Week as an elective credit. Possibly I could come up a credit short. I want Mini-Mini Week this year and I'm sure a lot of other students agree with me.

Nanette Tano
*Mini-Mini Week is not going to be held this year. -Ed

Dear Editor:

The subject I want to bring up is Homecoming. Every year we have hassles between the juniors and the seniors because one class or the other believes they were better. For example, if the juniors win the Spirit Contest the seniors would go around saying the juniors cheated, they took ideas, etc.

I think we can improve school spirit so that no matter what class wins everyone will have good feelings about Homecoming. Next year I hope to see more involvement.
Donna Haley

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Ann Fleskes:
I'm gonna buy me a dog.
Doberman Lover
Junior Powder Puff team:
GREAT JOB, GIRLS!!! Chalk
up another one for your streak!
Signed,
Your Rally

Mike Sevdy:
How about the Sadie?
??

Paul Hagen:
If you kick that soccer ball
any harder you might end up
minus one!
Love,
Timbers Fan

Lisa Janes:
Sadness doesn't grow here!
All Smiles
To the Varsity Football Team:
We're proud of you!
Fall Rally

Bobby Louis E.:
Try a mouse trap!
Watch Cat

Kim Dillion (Waddles):
Keep on vanin'.
Worn Tires

Stewart:
Peosodent does work!
Art the Artist

Shelia Dinneen:
Please tell me how.
Pleasen

Eddie S.:
Remember me next year
(Please.)
Number one and new

Carol Brown:
Jingle, Jingle, Jingle.
Happy Bells

Sandy N.:
Moving West.
Easterly

Mr. Puberty:
How's your voice tonight,
kiddo?
Curious

Patty:
Go for him!
Di

Penny:
T.V. is better on Tuesday
night.
M.A.S.H.E.D.

Sandi S.:
Gentlemen prefer hanes.
U no hoo!

Tammy:
Tiger!
Lion hearted

R.D.:
Do you still feel gay when
you listen to music?
Signed,
Worried Friends

Peggy Ogdahl:
Good luck with the 7-Up
man!
Signed,
Henry Herfy

Leonard:
ONCE in the morning does
it.
Listing

Warren Haley:
We've been watching you...
foxy little devil! We love your
brains, and that's not all!
Melting like butter

Marty:
"Force" full aren't you!
The (in) vader

Paul Hagen:
We've been watching you,
and we can't find anything to
see! Get your nose out of the
sky!
Four Eyes

Judy Hawkins:
F.F.M. watch out!
Colonel Austin

Jina:
VA VA VA VA voom.
Speechless

Molly Dinneen:
It could've been worse!!
One who knows

Jim Howard:
Thought that was you!
Unseen

C. Jonesy:
Don't your eyes hurt!?
Him!

Cheryl Carmen:
Something new, something
blue.
Green eyes

Judi Lampi:
We really miss you sooo
much!
Hotsy

Rowell of Darnville:
Kermit is a frog.
Marcia Guillory:
Reading books can be LOTS
of fun.
Wormy!

C.C.:
You're not cool, fool!
From one of your past people
Rocky Oden:
Wheels that squeal.
Hubcap Harney

Dan Kern:
Smokey says Hello.
Soft Sophomore

Mister Ranger:
Yogi bear loves you.
Jellystone

Carol Madsen:
Not again.
Tired of it

Rebecca:
Anymore room?
Handful

Frosh, J.V., and Varsity Vol-
leyballers:
Keep up the good work -
we're behind you all the way!
Your Fans

Delores Perry:
Hole my mule!
Hold my mule!
Josey

Debby Lloyd:
Thank-you.
Fifth period

Traci:
There is only ONE wonder
woman.
Diana Prince

Sue Love:
The Marines want you!
PFC #1

Caroline Ungy:
Try being one of us.
(Normal) & Friendly

Mr. Sunshine:
Please! Keep burning bright.
Love,
Rainbow

Kathy B.:
You're really a super neat
person; too bad everybody
isn't like you. Stay the same
forever.
Your Little Sis

Chuck Kellerman:
One-armed bandit (?)
Cash 'n' Ready

Janet Lampi:
Blondes don't have more fun.
Reddy

Duncan:
Thirty and still going strong.
Smiles

Howard Bowes:
Safeway all the way.
Ford Fan

M. McIntyre:
Smile!
Toothy

Dee Ann Dishy:
Tar Tee Har Har Har!
Flowers

To Doug C.:
You're a neat friend to have
in class.
From a friend

Claire Girdle,
Don't play with matches.
Bicced out

Chris Hipps:
Watch those lips!
Kissed

Marty:
"Force" ful aren't you!?

Cathy:
I like your smile.
A fan

To Joe & Doug:
You have really got some
cute girls in our Social Studies
class.
Signed,
Jealous

Linda S.:
Get the signal.
Early Morning Friend

Judy Lampi:
My fire is hot.
Fingers

Nulphy:
Thanks for the button. It's
true, it's true! P.S. Gus
changed his name!
It takes two

Mike Lamb:
Read the book!
Movie man

Patty B.:
I can do it too.
Me

Rowat:
Games are for contestants!
The winner

Jim Darling:
Going in class?
Guess Who

Norma:
I thought clovers were sup-
posed to be nice and friendly.
Left out

Davy Pierce:
Your cougar is cute!
Freshman

Step:
Look on the bright side; he
was a jerk anyway! It's not
the end of the world! Forget
the fool!!
Bye Bye,
Di

P.S. Think of Ty B.
Kevin Baker:
4 a.m. insanity.
Super Sailor

Chip:
No one ever had a rainbow
without the rain.
Love too young

Mike,
With your nose so high,
you're likely to trip and fall.
Observing

Lisa Thornton:
M.C. wants to take you to
the Sadie. Ask him to go.
Signed,
A watcher

Edward Charles Ash-Sr.,
May the fleas of a thousand
camels infest your arm pits.
Signed,
Silence is Golden
and
Patience is Precious
(especially in periods 3, 6,
and 7).

Jeanette Andrews:
That was a really neat let-
ter to the editor in the Wash-
ingtonian. Keep on writing.
Signed,
K.Y.L.

Tammy Denniston:
We miss all of it.
Cementhead:
I'm speechless.
Talky

Doll:
Welcome Home.
M.H.

Captain Crazy:
Remember "cowabanga" by
the animals in '65?
A Buccaneer

Liz:
Ham, jam, spaghetti and
spam, and spamoni!
Panama black

Val Lockhard:
I mean how!
Last

Brendon:
I see stars.
Moonstruck

John C.:
Had a great time last week-
end. How 'bout you? Want to
do it again this weekend?
Love,
Pelky

Harry Kent:
Know who you really are?
Julie Jost:
Did your "raid" work last
year?
No bugs

Peg-nut:
Too much eye contact with
those friendly firemen.
Signed,
Blue-eyed C.B.
and Brown-eyed N.S.

Becky B.:
White pants, Hooray!
John C.:
I'm going to become limber
if it kills me. Don't like the
idea of someone else stretch-
ing out with my guy.
Signed,
A non-limber person

Amy Harming:
Read Becky's message.
To the tall, dark and hand-
some Freshman:
Loosen up, I really enjoy
being around you, HONEST!!!
So what if I'm a junior? Does
it matter?
Love from
YOUR OWN Junior
Attention to All Residents of
Portland, Ore.:
There are just three, count
'em three years left until the
earthquake strikes.
R.R.

Ruth A.:

Leave Jim H. ALONE!
Signed,
An observer!

Elizabeth B.:
Blow your nose.
Sniffles

Mr. Burk:
I love you passionately!
Marry me! Let's have an af-
fair! Anything!
Guess Who

Mike Collins:
Will you ask me to the Sadie
Hawkins dance?
Signed,
L.T.

Mark St. Clair:
I can't dance that way.
Not high up

Chris C.:
What happened to last year?
A Freshman

Mike Sevdy:
How about playing some
hoop?
D.D.

Steve Mayhew:
Congratulations on the re-
moval of your braces.
You-Know-Who

Carol Grgich:
Sparkling eyes get me high.
Air Borne

Seniors:
It was RIGGED!
Signed,
The better class

Lisa Doyle:
You should have been a
dragonfly.
Super Fly

Remember it's cool.
Last Fri. Night

Hi Di:
Keep on thinkin' those good
thoughts if you know what I
mean.
From S.B.

Dear Agnes

Dear Agnes,
I love this guy in school
very much, although I don't
know him very well. I have
discovered that he prefers
guys to girls. What can I do?
disappointed

Dear disappointed,
Forget him! You are mak-
ing a strong accusation against
this guy. But if you feel he
is the way you say there's
not much chance of him look-
ing your way anyway. Is
there?
Agnes

Dear Agnes,
I might as well get straight
to the point. Here's another
lovesick, help needed letter.
Being mystical about it, I
will say there is a bonde
football player with whom I
am enchanted. We talk some-
times, but not much. He's
really nice and fun to be
around. I see him with many
a pretty face, but none in
particular. So I feel it's
safe to say there's no ap-
parent steady in his life right
now.
I would like to ask him to a
party or something, but I don't
like being that forward. I'm
really confused, and it's
crazy.
I mean, here I am a junior
and I've got a crush on some-
one. I feel quite silly, but
knowing your expertise in
these matters, I felt like you
were my last resort. Another
hint, is when we talk he's not
very...well talkative. He
smiles a lot and there's a lot
of eye contact. But, I just
don't know. Please help me
with this problem.
Thank you,
a lovesick junior

Dear lovesick junior,
Your problem is a typical
one. Everyone at some time
or another has a crush. You
said you would like to ask him
to a party or something. If
you don't like being that for-
ward and wouldn't feel com-
fortable doing it, then don't.
Go on showing him your
friendship. Talk to him when
you can, but don't push it.
If he's interested he'll let
you know.
Agnes

Dear Agnes,
Me and my friend like two
guys at this school, but every-
body thinks we're too rowdy.
We are scared to talk to them
or anything because we think
that they will say something.
What should we do?
worried

Dear worried,
Of course if you talk to
someone they'll say some-
thing. How do you expect to
carry on a conversation other-
wise. Don't ever be afraid to
talk to someone. Go up and
say hello. Who knows. Maybe
they've wanted to talk to you,
too.
Agnes

Dear Agnes,
Ever since this girl and I
came to this school, everyone
has tried to beat us up. What
should we do?
"help"

Dear help,
Do these people have a rea-
son for threatening you? Don't
let them walk on you. Let
them know what it is. Stick
up for yourself. If the problem
persists talk to a counselor
or vice principal.
Agnes

Apache Camping Center
See us for all your
RV needs.
11021 S.E. 82nd 659-5166

Reg Show Production Delayed

by Julie Bergstrom

The '77-78 Senior Morning Reg Show is off to a tele-visioning start. There is much organization involved in this year's program.

The Reg show stems from the Technical Staff; their jobs involve producing, directing, running the cameras, operating the video tape recorder -VTR) and the special effects generator.

The Tech Staff consists of Mike Pascoe, David Peters, Carole Grgich, Michael Collins, Stewart Williams, Ron Zelinski, Mike Lamb, Gary Louie, Lincoln McGrath, and Chris Manning.

Talent is an important aspect of a good show, and Room 23 has an exceptional collection. The Talent Staff writes news stories and makes tapes

of interesting events around the school. Veterans Carole Grgich, Delores Perry, Julie Bergstrom, and rookies Marcie McIntyre, Jim Jeffner, Chris Hipps, Lynette Zeidlhack, and Mike Lamb make up the talent section in this year's show.

Creativity is the show's biggest asset. This year, although the equipment (or lack of) is keeping the show's programming at a limit and slowing down production goals.

On the agenda, Mayor Neil Goldschmidt will be interviewed and a speaker from Metropolitan Youth Commission also plans on taking some viewing time. Information on all basketball scores and highlights of the game, including many other school activities will be aired.



1977-78 REG SHOW STAFF — Back row: Stewart Williams, Mike Collins, Ron Zelinski, Marci McIntyre, Chris Manning; middle row: Garry Lovie, Delores Perry, Jim Heffner, Mike Lamb, Julie Bergstrom, Lincoln McGrath; front row: Dave Peters, Doug Foster, Carole Grgich, Cheryl Johnson. Not pictured: Lynette Zeidlhack, Chris Hipps, Mike Pascoe.

Wa-Hi Enters Engine Contest

Early returns of entry blanks indicate a high interest in the high school engine assembly contests held nightly during the Custom Van, Truck & 4-Wheel Drive Show.

The five-day event will be held November 23-27 at Memorial Coliseum in Portland. The ten teams competing were announced today, three weeks earlier than in past years. Prize money has been increased for this third annual competition.

Auto shop teams will compete as follows:

Wednesday, November 23 — David Douglas vs. Parkrose

Thursday, November 24 — Jackson vs. Franklin

Friday, November 25 — Benson vs. Evergreen

Saturday, November 26 — Camas vs. Washington

Sunday, November 27 — Lake Oswego vs. Grant

Teams consist of two students. Each team member will receive a trophy and a jacket for participation. Top three teams also will win a trophy for their school. Winning team will receive a check for \$300 to be used for scholastic needs.

Competition will be nightly at 8:00 p.m. except for Sunday at 6:00 p.m. Engines will be stripped to the basic block. Students must assemble the engines under judges' supervision within a one-hour period. Winners will be determined on points earned within the 60 minutes.

Judges and engines are from Mt. Hood Community College. Past winners have been Washington High School and Benson Tech.

Looking Behind The

by Kevin Baker

Many misconceptions and prejudices are aimed at the military forces of this country because of a misinformed public. In an effort to rectify this situation, the U.S. Navy is sending high school educators and journalists to their home base in San Diego, California.

I was recently invited to spend four days at the Naval Training Base there.

Approximately one month ago, the phone rang in the The Washingtonian room. It was the Navy: "Would I be interested in a trip to San Diego for four days?"

I accepted mainly because I was tired of assignments, parents, and Portland's weather. How could I know that all the

misconceptions I had harbored about the armed services were about to be shattered?

As I sat down on the plane, my thoughts wandered to what was in store for me over the next few days. I resolved to be as impartial as possible in any judgment concerning the Navy and its programs.

Upon leaving the plane, we were told that we would first tour a training school and then return to Miramar Air Base to observe two fighter planes and a reconnaissance aircraft.

At the training school, I had an excellent opportunity to talk to some of the trainees. These were men who had re-enlisted.

They said that the Navy was a job just like anything else. However, they felt that the knowledge they were learning

Navy Stereotype

would benefit them in or out of the Navy.

The planes were most interesting, and the Navy personnel were very helpful. If you can qualify to fly one of these fighter planes, there are few careers more exciting.

We stayed in the officer's quarters. It bore an amazing resemblance to a Holiday Inn — pool and all. At dinner we were introduced to something I had not really thought about — archaic customs. The Navy has many outdated customs, and this dinner was a prime example.

Touring the barracks the next day, we were given the opportunity to converse with some recruits. Some claimed that the Navy was the greatest thing that had ever happened to them; others stated that they wished they had never heard the word. Perhaps this is attributable to the great disparity in the ranks. Several of the men had been to college; others had not graduated from high school.

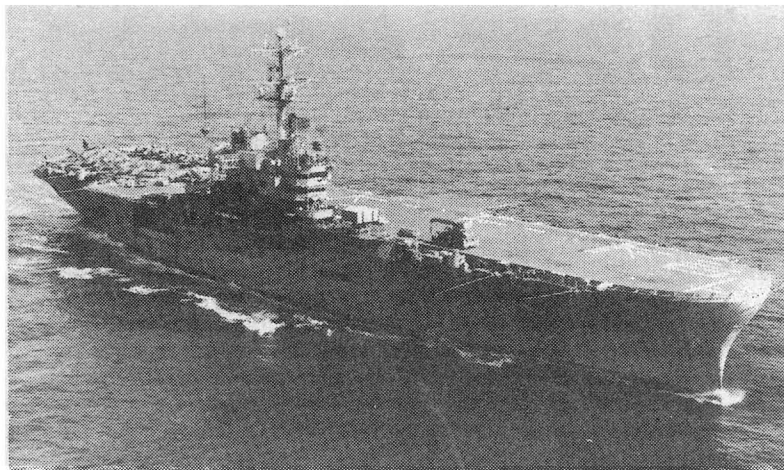
One thing became readily apparent about the Navy. Education was important. Every man, regardless of rank, seemed to be taking one or

many of the easily accessible education programs.

We toured several ships, among them the helicopter transport Tripoli. I was amazed at the facilities on board ship. We ate our lunch on board. Believe it or not, Navy food is at least edible — must better than school cafeteria food.

One of the last details of our tour was a trip to see a boot camp graduation. Whatever the Navy does, it is effective. These men, many of whom could not be disciplined in high school, were blended into a smooth running unit. Pride was evident in every instance; pride they could not obtain at home.

One of the prejudices I had before I left on that trip held true. The Navy is for some people, not for others. However, the people it is for are not necessarily people who could not succeed at anything else. In fact the Navy does not want that group. There is nothing wrong with the Navy. It is an excellent chance to travel and to learn. It may not be for you; it probably won't be for you — but taking a look won't hurt. It just might be for you.



USS TRIPOLI — Toured on this helicopter transport.

Liberian Student Visits

Beatrice Broderick, an exchange student from Monrovia, Liberia, is attending Washington High School for her senior year.

She attended B.W. Harris High School (a private school) in West Africa. In all schools (public or private), students are required to take at least four years of English.

Beatrice stated, "In Africa one is forced to take all subjects in school — except some electives." Uniforms are required in any school. Smoking is not allowed on campus and

the campuses are all closed.

She also felt that there was not enough to do in Portland. She said, "Any age is allowed to go anywhere without restriction; for example, a night club or dance hall. Also drinking is open to all ages. Beatrice also noted that Portland was a quiet town.

The taxi fare in Liberia is much like the bus fare in Portland. You pay a set fare and ride as far as you want.

Beatrice will be staying in Portland for a full year, returning to Africa in July.

New Rally Regulations

If you are interested in trying out for varsity or junior varsity rally in the spring for next year, be careful of grades and attendance now. A maximum of five (5) absences per quarter or 15 absences from Sept. 1, 1977 to rally tryouts in May will be allowed. If a student is ill

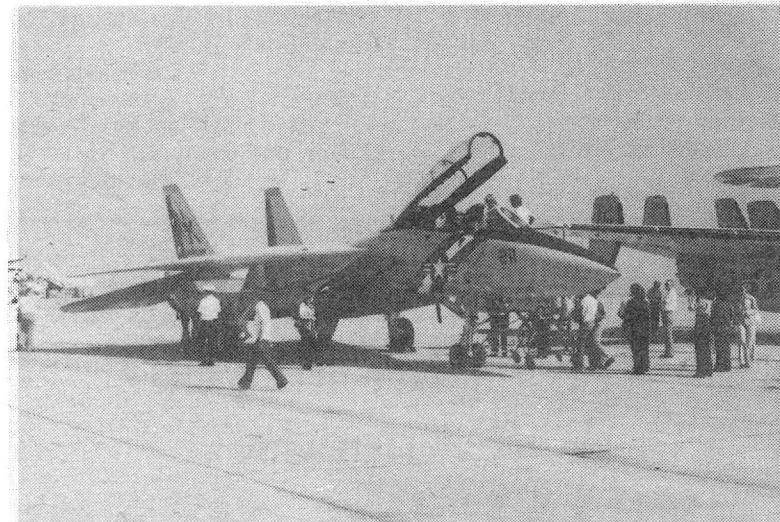
for three days in a row, that is counted as one (1) block absence.

Each applicant must maintain a 2.00 grade point with no failures in the current year.

Grades and attendance will be checked carefully, so if you are interested in being rally, take care now.



MESS TIME — Kevin Baker lunching with enlisted men at the mess hall.



TOMCAT FIGHTER — We looked into the cockpit and conversed with the pilots.

Teacher Feature

by Leonard Cogan

To most of her social studies students, Mrs. Marguerite Ayers is just their American Government or American History teacher. But there are other experiences she has had that account for her outlook on teaching as a whole.

One of these experiences was a trip that she took this previous summer to various countries of Europe, or as Mrs. Ayers termed it, "A study-travel tour." The countries that she went to were England, France, West Germany, Italy, Austria, and Czechoslovakia.

One of the most disturbing things on the trip was a boat trip up a river in Czechoslovakia. As Mrs. Ayers related, "We were followed the whole day by patrolling gunboats because they feared that people might escape from the country by swimming from the shore to the boat. In addition, there were also armed soldiers in watchtowers above."

However, there were many high points of the trip, including the fact that "I gained some background information on our civilization, which will help in American Government. I also learned more about the beginnings of English government."

Mrs. Ayers' goal in teaching is "to create an atmosphere for learning, but the effort must be made by the students. You can only get out of it what you put into it."

SPORTS



C C Team Surprises Opponents



CROSS COUNTRY TEAM — Bottom row from left to right: Brendan Kelly, Chuck Curtis, Willis Packham, Chris Gerdes; second row: Larry Palmer, Mike Sevdy; top row: James Finlayson, Mark Harris, Steve Mayhew.

by Brendan Kelly

The Colonial cross country team is currently in fifth place in the PIL with a three-win, three-loss record. The five members of the varsity squad have been showing the rest of the PIL that Washington is alive and running. The team also has a JV and freshman team.

Second and third place performances were turned in by James Finlayson and Brendan Kelly on the 18th of last month. On the fifth of October at Washington Park, the outcome was not so bright, with injuries and sickness plaguing the squad, but the Cols met the challenge and went the distance. On the 12th the Colonial spikers went up

against Jackson, Cleveland, and Adams. Jackson had a powerful squad and took first, but the Cols took second to trounce Adams and Cleveland.

Coach Will Packham has put together an excellent team, and they are the surprise of the PIL. The present outlook for the upcoming City Meet is quite hopeful.

From The Colonial Bench

by Mike Collins

A great day in Washington sports happened on October 7.

The Colonial varsity football team ended their 23-game losing streak by beating the Adams Patriots 14-8.

The losing streak, which was the fourth longest in State history, dated back to the beginning of the 1975 season.

Hopefully, this won't be the last win for the football team this year, and maybe next year's football team can start off on a winning streak.

The win was credited to the great support and spirit of the Washington student body and faculty.

The Colonials' men's soccer team is another Washington sport that is suffering from what Kevin Baker terms "Col Itis."

"Col Itis" is a psychological disease that strikes most Colonial athletes and keeps Washington sports from winning.

For some athletes, "Col Itis" strikes when they enter Washington as freshmen and doesn't leave until they graduate, and for others it only lasts for a short time or doesn't strike at all.

Someday we will all overcome "Col Itis," for some of us it may only take a year, but for others it may not end until you shake Mr. William Gray's hand and flip the tassel.

Frosh Fall 24-0

The Colonial freshman football team lost to the Grant Generals by a surprising 24-0 score.

It was the best overall game played by the frosh gridgers this year, with the offense and defense playing much better.

Herbert Mathews led the Colonial offense with three receptions, but offensive mistakes hurt the team.

The game was much closer than the coaches expected.

The team is 0-4 after losses to Jefferson, Jackson, and Lincoln.

The freshmen will be looking for their first win of the season when they play the Roosevelt Roughriders November 1 at 3:30 p.m. at Roosevelt.

Men's Soccer Ends Season

The 1977 soccer season drew to a close for the men's team on October 21 when they lost to the Roosevelt Roughriders 5-2.

Although the team hasn't won a game in two seasons, when the players turn in their worn jerseys and hang up their cleats, they'll know that self-improvement was achieved.

This year's team was mixed with starters at every level, freshman through senior, and some of them not even playing in a high school game before.

Even in big losses, the team hung together and played each game until the final whistle, and often, after the game, the referee would compliment the team on their character and clean play.

The Colonials had many close games this year with five games going into overtime, including a very close

game against the Jefferson Democrats which Jefferson won 5-4.

There will be many talented players returning to the team next year from all levels.

This year's seniors were the backbone of the team, playing in crucial positions of midfield, fullback, goalie, and center forward.

The team consisted of fullback John Hipps, sophomore; Henry Small, sophomore; John Dowdakin, junior; Kevin Baker, senior; Lincoln McGrath, senior; midfielders Bob Snow, freshman; Dave Peters, senior; Mark Dunbar, senior; Arnie Sanson, sophomore; goalie Mike Collins, senior; strikers Agir Singh, freshman; Kevin Dunbar, freshman; Danny Shaner, junior; Junlyoda, senior; center forward Jim Darling, senior; wings Todd Paice, freshman; Ken Curtis, sophomore; Tim Desparois, sophomore; Duncan Ewart, junior; and manager Gregg Angel.

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Tie Breaker

Score: LA _____ New Orleans _____

A five dollar prize will be awarded to any contestant that picks all 10 games correctly.

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- 4) Remember to put on score of tie-breaker
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Gymnasts Expect Success

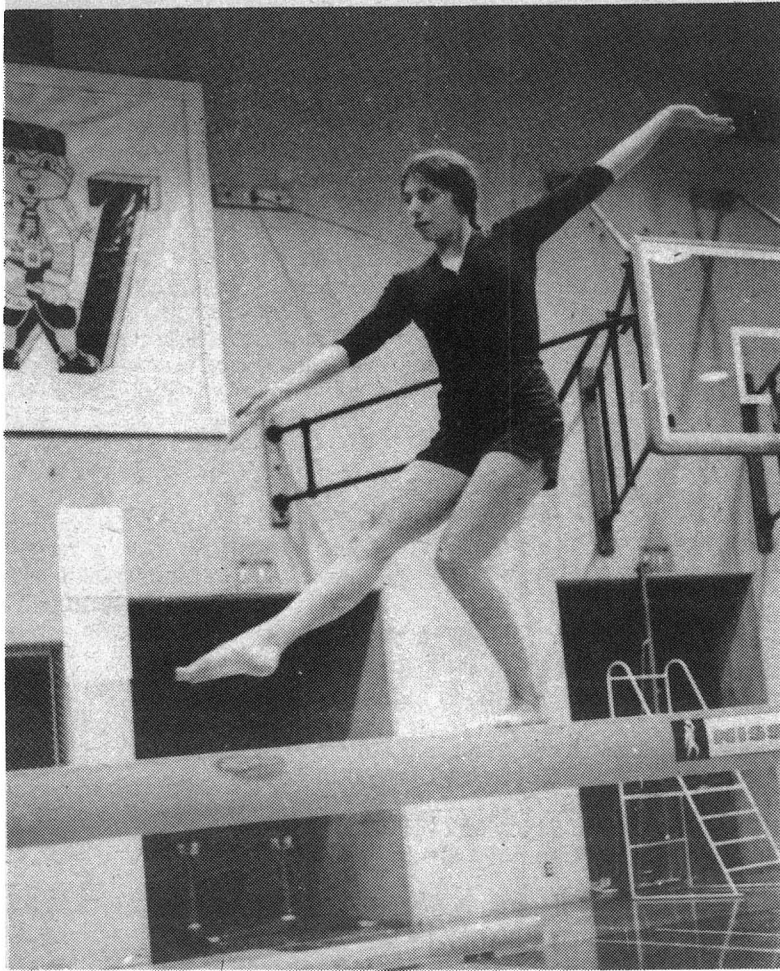
by Linda Schuurmans

A strong season is showing in gymnastics with a 3-win, 3-loss record for the team. The girls' varsity gymnastics team has come ahead in meets including Cleveland, Sherwood, and Lincoln high schools.

Senior Cathy Benton has taken first in all-around in every meet, except Wilson and Jackson; Jan Enyeart placed 4th in vault against Cleveland and Franklin.

John Linn (Fr.) and Cliff Talmadge (Sr.) are representing Washington in the boys' division. In two Open Boys' meets, John Linn has placed two firsts on floor and pommel horse; second on floor and rings; and third on vaulting events. Cliff Talmadge took two fourth places on floor events.

Competing in this year's City Meet will be Linda Williams, Judy Lampi, Cathy Benton, and Jan Enyeart.



LINDA WILLIAMS [senior] warms up on the beam. Linda participates as an all-around on the Wa-Hi gymnastic team.

Washington Romps 5-0

by Sheilagh Conroy

Washington's women's soccer team played Roosevelt Tuesday, Oct. 8 at Albina Park, Washington's home soccer field.

The first goal was made early in the first half by Laurie Ostrowski, who booted it into the goal unassisted. Ten minutes later Laurie scored again to make Washington 2, Roosevelt 0, and the Cols couldn't be stopped as Sheilagh Conroy lofted the ball up over the goalie's head into the upper right corner of the net. The Cols were now up and running, keeping the pressure on Roosevelt all through the first half.

The first goal in the second half was made on a penalty kick, blasted past the goalie by Becky Dowdakin. Within the next five minutes, two more penalty kicks were unsuccessful.

The fifth and final goal of the game was made by Laurie Ostrowski.

The final score was Washington 5, Roosevelt 0.

When asked about the team's success in the game, Coach Kara Hartson, commented, "The girls played an outstanding game which showed much skill and effort."

Washington's record so far is five wins, four losses.

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Athlete Of The Issue

Laurie Ostrowski (Sr.) - In her last game of soccer, Laurie pulled a hot trick (three goals) against Roosevelt. Laurie leads the team this year in scoring with seven goals. Laurie plays left center forward for the Cols.

Honorable Mention

William Lewis (Sr.) - William helped the Cols secure a victory against Adams by blocking an attempted punt, which led to the Cols' second touchdown. William plays nose guard on the defensive line and has the most quarterback sacks on the team.

Mark Dunbar (Sr.) - Aside from being the men's soccer team captain, he is one of the team's outstanding midfielders. In his last game against Jackson, Mark scored on a penalty kick and assisted on another goal.

Cathy Benson (Sr.) - Cathy is one of Washington's outstanding gymnasts. With four years varsity experience, she competes in all of the gymnastic events (bars, floor vault, and beam). She helped lead the Cols in a victory over Cleveland.

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V-Ballers Enjoy Season

The Wa-Hi girls' volleyball team has enjoyed a rewarding season of play.

Although they lost the majority of their games, they were happy just to play. Managing two wins thus far in the

season, they have two matches remaining.

Victories came against Jefferson and Lincoln. A different line-up will be on the floor for the Cols in their last two contests, due to four suspensions of starters on the squad.

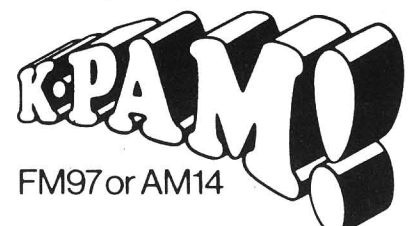
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The Best of Both Worlds

String Manor

by Kim Williams

When I first arrived at String Manor I was disappointed by the changes which had taken place while I was in America.

While I had been gone, I had longed to see England again. I guess I had been expecting too much. What could I expect, I had been away for 10 years?

It was the fall preceding the Civil War when I left String Manor. But I was back now, just at the right time for my Coming-Out party!

I had been so excited to be on my way back home.

I had remembered String Manor as a luminous landmark. Now, it seemed so much smaller, though it was probably because I had left for America when I was only six years old. I was the one who had changed, not the Manor.

I was busy helping my mother make preparations for my "Coming-Out." We were sending out invitations, buying materials for new frocks, and making lists of the food we would serve.

One day, while I was searching the attic for an heirloom Irish lace, which mother said I could use to add the final touch to my new frock, I stumbled on a loose board. I knelt down and ran my hand across the board. I'd never noticed the board's looseness before, which was odd, considering it stuck out above the floor about an inch. As I ran my hand across the end of the board, which stuck up above the rest, I touched something that felt rough and crumbly. I pulled it out gently. It was a letter of some sort, as I unfolded it I read the following:

Within the Morningstar doth lie
The Green Flash and the Tiger's Eye.
Find the key, turn the lock,
and there you'll find what time forgot.

The key is hidden from your sight
But from the shield reflects the light,
and shows to you the beauty of flight.

Look beyond false beauty and there will lie
The Green Flash and the Tiger's Eye.

It was a poem that made no sense to me. But, I liked the sound, so I tucked it away in my pocket and went back to looking for the lace.

The weeks passed quickly, and it wasn't until the night of my party that I thought of that strange poem again.

I was dancing with a young gentleman, when I overheard some gentlemen speaking of tigers' eyes.

Tiger's Eye! That had been in the strange poem I had found.

After the dance I went up to the gentlemen. I asked their pardon for my rude interruption, but I went on to explain that I had overheard them speak of Tigers' eyes, and that I was curious as to what they were referring.

One gentleman said something about emeralds being called Tigers' eyes in China.

Emeralds! That was all I'd heard. What had emeralds to do with the poem?

That night I took the poem out of my pocket of the frock I had worn when I'd found the poem.

The poem was a clue to a forgotten treasure! I knew it had to be!

I stayed up all night trying to solve the mystery, but it still made little sense. Emeralds inside a star? I'd been foolish; it was only a poem.

I told mother of the poem I'd found. She told me grandfather must have written it; he had loved to write poetry.

Soon I forgot the poem again. But one day while the family was playing anagrams, a game where you try to make one word out of another by moving the letters around, an idea came to me. I wrote String Manor on my pad. Yes, I was right! When you moved the letters around in the words String Manor, it formed the word Morningstar.

I said the poem over again to myself, I'd used all the clues.

I'd done something wrong. Find the key, turn the lock
And there you'll find what time forgot

That was it! I was supposed to turn the lock. I'd used the wrong line.

Look beyond false beauty and there will lie
The Green Flash and the Tiger's Eye.

A I looked behind the painting of the Eagle, I thought my heart would explode.

When I saw the cleft in the wall, I reached my hand in and pulled out the largest emerald I'd ever even heard about.

But, there was something else. I reached in and brought out the most magnificent Opal imaginable.

The Green Flash at Midnight.

I'd often heard my mother speak of it. I wondered why I hadn't connected the two.

The "Flash" was worth a fortune. And I'd found it! When they'd sent me to America, it was right after grandfather's death. They said he had always been a little slight of the mind, and they were afraid I was, too.

But I wasn't! I'm not! I solved a mystery, and I did it alone. This would show them. It was a mystery.

And I solved it!
Morningstar was String Manor. There were emeralds in String Manor! All I had to do was solve the poem.

I read the poem again and again. I read it so often I would recite it without knowing I was doing it.

The key is hidden from your sight
But from the shield reflects the light
And shows to you the beauty of flight.

The shield had to be the solution. Where is a shield? It came to me, the Knight's Armor in the main hall was a shield. It had to be the answer!

I ran down the hall to the armor, but there was no reflection. I waited and watched for the reflection all night, but it never came.

The armor must have been moved since the poem had been written.

I asked my mother if she thought the armor had been moved. She told me it would have been impossible to move it. The armor was a family tradition, just as was the family insignia, and no one would dare to move either one.

The family insignia; it was a shield. I hoped it was what grandfather had meant, but I remained calm.

As I approached the insignia, I knew I had been wrong; there was no reflection.

I walked up to the insignia feeling disappointed.

On one side of the insignia was a stalk of corn, on the other side was a spray of wheat, and in the middle was a Key!

Grandfather never meant a reflection; he meant the key was the solution.

But what now?

Look beyond false beauty and there will lie
The Green Flash and the Tiger's Eye.

As I turned the insignia to look behind it, the wall slid by.

Behind the wall was a beautiful room. It was strange how it had never been found.

I still hadn't found the Tiger's Eye, but my heart was leaping with excitement.

I'd forgotten a line of the poem.

"And shows to you the beauty of flight."

On the wall was a painting of an Eagle.

Flight!
Eagle!

Marcie's Column

It blew through like a hurricane, and now Homecoming '77 is in the books. With the week behind us we can take a look at the unique and overall success of Homecoming at Washington.

In many high schools in Oregon Homecoming activities are dying away, and people are losing interest. This is not true at Washington. It's different. Interest is still strong. The strength comes from something that is essential for any successful activity; that is, involvement.

During Homecoming that's what happens. People get involved. You can see it in powderpuff football players with a group of expert coaches, the dressing and pampering of four bearded beauties, and the mighty motoration of legs on a broken tricycle. Those are a few of the areas in which involvement makes Homecoming a success.

There is also the pep assembly which never ceases to amaze the spectators, including Washington's special guest this year, Willie Anderson of the Portland Timbers.

Willie commented on the pep assembly: "I have never seen anything like this before."

I agree. Where else could you see tons of confetti, FROSH POWER, George and Martha, Marilyn Monroe and Clark Gable, a three ring circus with a real marching band, and a Greek god and goddess with their own empire? No where but at Washington.

I wish to thank the faculty for all of their support, especially Mr. Don Spiering for his patience and extra help. (We will clean up Room 8, we promise.) Also thanks to the Colonial Choraliers who took the time to sing for us during lunch. It was super. Thanks go to the many people who worked on each activity. It is all greatly appreciated.

Warmly,
Marci McIntyre

Creative Corner

Time Ticks On

In the bright yellowness of the sun,
through the dank darkness of the night.

As the people soundly sleep
and creatures quietly creep

Lurking powers cannot invade,
the endless stream of time.
Which we and even brilliant scientists
are unable to define.

Drifting hours

Lost days

Floating weeks
unseen months
passing years.

Forgotten
Time!

by Kimbra Williams

A person on whom I can always depend.
Not just a brother and much more than a friend.

Someone I know I can trust and rely.
A shoulder that's there when I need to cry.

He knows what to say whenever around.
And the judgment he uses always seems sound.

When he's really hurt he'll say he's fine.
And I'm really proud to say he's a brother of mine.

He's not so important that I forget my three others.
But I can say he's my favorite of all my brothers.

I love him for all that he's done and will do.
This person is Doug, yes this person is
You.

by Kimbra Williams

I called you today but you weren't home.
Why is it you've left me alone.
It's not only my fault this happened
to me. You see, it takes two, to make
three.

by Meagan McCauley

Friends and lovers that's what we are,
Friends and lovers, all are far.
Far from what we used to seem,
Far from what we used to mean.
I guess far would be the only way,
To forget our dreams of yesterday.

by Meagan McCauley

Colonial Turntable

by Martin Hughley

The Little River Band - "Diamantina Cocktail"

It is usually hard for a foreign band to establish itself in the States, especially if the group comes from as far away as Australia.

But the Little River Band has come a long way on the road to popularity with their first album, sparked by the single "Long Way There" and now with their second American release, "Diamantina Cocktail."

From the strong bass notes at the start of track one (their new hit is "Help Is On Its Way"), the album is a fine collection of lively rockers and mellow, intense pop tunes. Led by the powerful vocals of Glenn Shorrock and Graham Goble, this band features slick guitar work, excellent bass lines, and tight harmonies reminiscent of Crosby, Stills, and Nash, all of which are showcased on "Happy Anniversary."

Lyrical solid and moving, the Little River Band's efforts are among the most promising of newcomers. "Diamantina Cocktail" is a real musical joy.

The Alan Parsons Project - "I Robot"

At just 28, Alan Parsons has a decade of experience in the music business, behind the recording console. His most notable efforts included engi-

neering on the Beatles "ABBEY ROAD" L.P. and producing Pink Floyd's rock classic, "Dark Side of the Moon." 1976, though, saw Parsons emerge as a performer. He teamed up with Eric Woolfson, his manager and the album's executive producer, to write "Tales of Mystery and Imagination," a bizarre collection of Edgar Allen Poe works set to music plus the single, "Dr. Tarr and Professor Fether."

In late spring of this year the second Alan Parsons project album, "I Robot," was released. It has since become one of the hottest items in record stores and on FM playlists.

Songs like the title track, "I Wouldn't Want to Be Like You," and "Breakdown" (which features Hollies vocalist Allan Clarke), display versatility and innovation of the highest rank. Parsons' musical contribution is small, but his work in the control booth is where the project's sound really comes from.

For those already hooked by Parsons' magic, a new album is in the works, though its creator won't divulge the theme. In the meantime "I Robot" has all the ingredients to keep music lovers happy.

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