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## Open Letter from the G.O. President

Students of Port High:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the student body for their cooperation during the past year.

I think each and every one of you should be proud of yourself. You showed excellent school spirit and very good conduct during the school year.

Some of our accomplishments have been: receiving the final answer on the smoking room, sophomores buying their class rings, excellent start on the revision of the G.O. Constitution, and a successful Spring carnival.

I'd like to congratulate all the seniors who are graduating and wish all the juniors and sophomores the best of luck in the rest of your high school years.

> Sincerely yours, Fred Drewes, G. O. President

# Support the Graduation Party

Parents of the Class of '54 are spending much time and money on the Graduation Party this year. It promises to be one of the finest of its kind.

"South of the Border" is not being held for just those students who are in the habit of dating, but for every single senior boy and girl. If you are one of the busy socialites of the school, let us hope that you will add this party to your list. But especially if you are one who does not step out often, we hope that you too will mark this dance down on your agenda. If it is to be your first party, you couldn't pick a finer one with which to get in the swing of things.

June 25 will be the last time when this year's senior class will be altogether. It can't be that way unless everyone comes, so it is hoped that every senior will support the Graduates' Gambol.

### Open Letter from the Editor

Since this is the last issue of the Port Weekly, it is a good time to take the opportunity of thanking all those who worked to make the paper a success this year.

I really feel that we have made great progress on this publication since last year, something which would not have been possible but for the cooperation of a large group of students and the exceedingly diligent work of Mr. MacIntosh. By everyone working together, a number of improvements have been made, new features have been successfully added, and relatively few hairs have turned gray

The Port Weekly still has room for vast improvement, however, and with a capable editor next year and the cooperation of the students, it should be possible to total up still another successful year for the paper, perhaps even better than this last. Again I thank all those who have helped in any way on the paper for 1953-54, and I wish the staff and editors of the Port Weekly of 1954-55 all the success that they will deserve, I am sure.

Sincerely, Nancy Pickett, Editor-in-Chief

### Student of Week



Nancy Pickett

Nancy Pickett, we, the new Port Weekly staff, salute you for the fine job you did as this year's editor.

New features which you incorporated into the paper, such as player of the week, mystery baby and senior spotlight, gave credit to many deserving people.

Aside from the great amount of time you dedicated to the paper, you were very active in school activities. Your sophomore year found you in band, secretary of Focus (a job you have held all through high school), color war and the carnival. In the line of sports you made the class team in hockey, and went out for basketball, volleyball and modern dance.

Your junior year was quite busy. Celerity and Clio claimed you as a member. You played the clarinet in band, acted as ticket chairman for the band concert, were a majorette and were again active in sports. Girls' State was the greatest honor bestowed upon you. You were chosen on the basis of your leadership qualities, scholastic average and sportsmanship.

As the hard working editor of this publication your senior year, you still found time for many activities. Retort and Circle were added to your list of clubs. Heading the Artist Colony Ball, being publicity chairman of the Celerity dance, were a few more of your undertakings. Majoretting during the football season, band secretary, Port Light literary and business staff, one of the badminton finalists and the Newsday reporter from Port High were the rest of your activities.

With all these interests, you still managed to stand sixth in your class with a 1.34 average.

Your job as Sunday school teacher this year further convinced you to follow teaching as a profession. Future plans include attending the University of New Hampshire where you will learn how to be a home economics or elementary school teacher.

#### Graduation

by Ellie Meye

Here I stand, in cap and gown On this joyful day, And on my face I wear a frown, For my thoughts are far away.

All around are smiling faces, Yet my eyes are filled with tears. For they are off to unknown places,

And then I think of bygone years.

The rising in the early morn,
To get to school on time.
The climbing up of stairs so worn,
Once this life was mine — all
mine.

The sitting in the luncheon room, To eat a hasty dinner, Then racing off to history class But still we didn't get any thinner.

As I remember these and more, My eyes shall not be dry, For when I exit out the door, My heart will stay in Old Port High.

# Scholarship Awards (Continued from Page 1)

years at Clark Simmons Institute of Technology; Alan Wile, \$800 per year for four years at University of Rochester; Steve Vishanoff, \$100 per year for four years at Wooster; Robert Wheeler, NROTC scholarship; John Richardson, \$100 per year for four years at Drew University; and Ernie Jackson, \$1000 sports scholarship at Syracuse.

#### Seniors Gambol

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B'nai B'rith have donated the door prizes of a radio, record player, piece of luggage, and a watch. Prizes will also be awarded for the novelty dances. All this, plus dinner, will make it a party to be long remembered by the graduates.

#### **Assembly Awards**

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David Kane received the Effective Speech award from the Port Washington Play Troupe.

Gerald Lee was given he Auto Mechanics award by the Class of 1948.

Patricia Lynch was given the Athletics and Scholastic Achievement award by the Fratry.

Douglas Murray received the Class of 1947's art award.

Florence Nacht received the History three years award from the Darling Whitney Chapter of the D.A.R., the Highest Scholastic average for 1953 - 54 from the Circle Chapter of the National Honor Society and the Spanish award.

Leanore Painter was given the Modern Dance award by the Port Washington Play Troupe.

Nancy Pickett received the James P. Ford Journalism award given by Dorothy Grant Ford.

Tatjana Postarnikovs received (Continued on Page 4)