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C.W. Post Auditorium Considered for Commencement



Hillwood Commons, the domed auditorium at C.W. Post College, is being considered as the site for this year's senior graduation exercises. The idea was originated by Dr. Killeen as a possible alternative to the often frustrating experience of the traditional commencement at Schreiber. In past years, the planned outdoor ceremony on the football field has been rained out several times, and commencement has been delayed and finally held in the gym. This resulted in restricting the number of people permitted to attend (parents), and in causing some students to miss the ceremony. Prior plans often conflicted with the rain date, and immeasurable aggravation resulted.

Great Neck South and Jericho High Schools have used the Post facility in past years for their commencement and have been satisfied. The auditorium is a spacious, comfortable 2800-capacity room, fully air-conditioned. The approximate

cost of obtaining the facility for the commencement exercises and one practice session would be \$2000 - \$2200. This includes parking attendants, lighting, musical facilities and dressing rooms. Last years ceremony at Schreiber cost over \$1000.

Dr. Killeen, and two seniors, Jonathan Sokoloff and Michael Lewitt, visited the auditorium and were given a full explanation of its operation and possibilities as the site for commencement. Mr. Greg Crosby of the Multi-Media department has taken some slides of the auditorium to be presented to the entire senior class at an assembly to be held before Christmas.

The Board was told of the program by Dr. Killeen at an Executive Session, and they said they would consider the idea. As of now, no definite plans are made, and the final decision on commencement rests on the senior class and the Board of Education.

Port Competes On "It's Academic" TV Show



Schreiber High School, on November 9, placed second on the T.V. show "It's Academic." Schreiber was represented by Marty Fallor, J.G. Preston and Matt Bonner as it competed against W.C. Mephram High School and J.F. Kennedy High School.

Port grabbed the first lead after the primary round. With a clear lead of twenty points over Kennedy and thirty over Mephram, Schreiber was going strong. The next round saw Kennedy take the lead over the other teams by ten points. After a blazing third round, and some of

the toughest questions on the show, Kennedy widened its lead to 65 points over Schreiber and sixty points over Mephram. At the end of the regular questions Port was in second with 225 points, Mephram in third with 120 and Kennedy lead with 360 points.

In the final grab-bag question period Schreiber picked up some ground but remained in second place. The final score was Kennedy 400 points, Schreiber 285 points and Mephram 160 points.

The show will be aired on Channel 67, WSNL-TV, tomorrow evening November 27.

Store Closes Due to Debt

by Michael Joseph

On Wednesday, November 6, 1974, the Schreiber Student Store was shut down by its parent organization, the Student Government. It was reopened on Monday, November 25 under new management, with a new store counter, and its discipline problems hopefully resolved. The story behind the closing of the store is one of misunderstandings between the store's management and the Student Government, petty thievery, and administrative footdragging.

The store was closed for two reasons. First, it owed a significant amount of money to its supplier of candy, the Kelly and Kane Company. Second, it was the breeding ground for numerous student disturbances that, according to Mr. Whitney, were getting out of hand and beginning to pose a threat to the safety of the people in the store.

At the time of the store's closing, it owed a large sum of money to the Kelly & Kane Company, and had only \$100 of saleable merchandise on hand. The actual amount of money owed by the store is a matter of some dispute. Danny Farberman, former student store manager, claims that it was just under \$400. Two confidential sources put the amount at closer to \$750. Farberman called the debt the result of several factors, most notably higher candy prices, misunderstandings between himself and the Student Government, and theft.

Farberman said that candy prices that have nearly doubled in the past year have cut the store's profit margin, as he has been reluctant to double the

store's retail prices.

Compounding this difficulty were several misunderstandings between Farberman and the Student Government. At the end of last year, according to Farberman, the student store had over \$1000 to its credit, and made its first purchases for this year expecting to pay out of this money. But unbeknownst to him, the money had been spent by the Student Government on the football picnic. When asked about this, Mr. Cahill, faculty advisor to the Student Government, said that the store's management should have been notified of the expenditure, but that this money would not in any case have been needed to pay for the candy, because Kelly & Kane's billing schedule allowed merchandise to be paid for out of the revenues derived from its sale. Cahill called this a misunderstanding on Farberman's part, and only one example of the mistakes he made as the job of running the store became "overwhelming".

If this was merely an unfortunate misunderstanding that had no effect on store earnings, than where did its debt come

from? Evidently, it arose at least in part from a far more serious misunderstanding between Farberman and the Student Government. Every morning for two and a half weeks, change was collected from the soda machine in the student store, and approximately \$15 of this change was given to the store for use during the day. It was Farberman's understanding that the change did not have to be repaid, because both the student store and the soda machine business operate under the direction of the Student Government.

After the two and a half week period, Farberman was notified that the store owed the Student Government \$375 for the change that had been provided. Payment was made in one large sum of money right away, followed by twice weekly payments of \$50 until the balance was paid up. According to Farberman, this unexpected bill caused the store to fall behind in its payments to the Kelly & Kane Company.

Further monetary problems were caused by thefts in the student store - thefts of both

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Yearbook Holds Auction, Chooses Theme

The fourth annual Yearbook Auction was held October 23 in the cafeteria. John Broza was the auctioneer. Teachers donated various things ranging from ballroom dancing lesson to lunch at La Crepe to the use of a teacher's parking space for three weeks. The dinner for four given by Jerald Stone went for \$45, the highest bid at the auction. There was fierce bidding for the dinner for four at the Killeens. It was sold for \$37. Tickets to a Net game combined with an introduction to Dave DeBusschere went for over \$30. In all, the Yearbook made over \$800.

This year, the theme of the yearbook will be the concept of Yin-Yang, or eternal balance. This concept will be portrayed throughout the book, through pictures, creative writing, and other original concepts.



photo by Kathy Hecht

Lounge Opens Under New Policy

Schreiber's student lounge re-opened Monday after being closed for a month by the student government. The closing was caused by excessively inappropriate behavior in the lounge. During the two weeks preceding its re-opening, a general clean-up was conducted by student government members. One wall is painted, and two murals have been painted, and posters will be placed on another wall. Shades, curtains and rugs may be bought in the near future. Pinball machines, a jukebox and board games are available for everyone's enjoyment. The furniture additions are some new tables provided by

the school.

G.O. President Lewitt said, "With the cooperation of the student body, faculty and administration, the student lounge in Schreiber High School should become a successful and beneficial addition to the school." According to Lewitt, this goal will be attainable by the presence of student supervisors in the lounge along with periodic visits from Dr. Killeen, Mr. Bartels and Mr. Whitney. Mike Lewitt also said that individual troublemakers will be banned from the student lounge.

"Private Ear" to Open Cabaret

"The Private Ear," the first of the Cabaret at Luncheon productions, will be presented December 2, Day 5, mods 9 & 10 in the auditorium. It will also be presented on Days 1, 2, and 4 of that week during mods 9 & 10. The doors will be shut promptly at 11:25 and everyone will be asked to stay for the whole performance. Students and teachers will be permitted to eat their lunch while they watch the play.

"The Private Ear" is written by Peter Shaffer. He is also the author of the play "Equus" which is now appearing on Broadway. "The Private Ear"

will be performed by Francine DiStefano, Mark Mastrocinque, and Duncan Moon. It will be directed by Mr. Jones.

The next presentation for Cabaret at Luncheon will be during the week of December 9, when the boys gymnastic team will hold an exhibiton in the auditorium. It will be held days 5, 1, 2, 4 mods 9 & 10. Mr. Edgerton will direct the program. As with all the Cabaret at Luncheon productions, students and teachers will be able to eat their lunch while they watch.

Art Club To Sell Cards

With the holiday season fast approaching, the Art Club has caught the festive spirit. The Art Club has been designing Christmas and Chanukah cards with matching envelopes which will be sold in boxes of 10 and 15 cards. The group wants to sell the cards after Thanksgiving to raise

funds for the annual art festival. The Club hopes that "as many students and faculty as possible (will) take advantage of this unique, creative and inexpensive way to send a very personal holiday greeting." The club may produce Christmas ornaments and seasonal calendars, too.



In Brief....

Photo Calendar On Sale

Last week Schreiber's 1975 photo calendar went on sale in the lobby for a dollar. The calendars are being produced and sold by the Photography II class taught by Mr. Barchi.

This year's calendar will have more pictures and less calendar than last year's edition. The pictures in the calendar are candid photos of students, depicting everyday life at Schreiber.

The class not only took pictures for the calendar but learned how to produce and market it.

In case you haven't got your copy yet, they may be purchased in the lobby until January.

"Battle of the Bands"

In its never ending battle to raise money for a trip to England and Wales, the Schreiber High Orchestra will sponsor a "Battle of the Bands." This event will be held on January 25, 1975, and is open to all high school bands from Manhasset, Roslyn, Great Neck North, and Port Washington.

One band from each town will be chosen to represent its school, and prizes will be awarded to the victorious bands.

All interested "rock bands" should contact Karen Reiff (tel. 767-7392), and an audition will be arranged immediately. It is urgent that this be done promptly to insure participation in the contest.

Thefts Investigated

Measures have been recently implemented in the gym locker room in an attempt to prevent further theft from occurring. Assistant Principal Mr. Bartels has received approximately eleven reports of gym locker thefts so far this year, almost all of the thefts occurring in the boys' locker room. Mostly money has been stolen. The measures being taken include locking the locker room during gym classes and after school when not in use and increasing surveillance of the locker room by phys. ed. instructors.

Several weeks ago two students were caught allegedly attempting to break into a gym locker. Principal Dr. Killeen hopes that the catching of these students will serve as a deterrent against other thefts.

The Board of Education is also having the matter of theft in general investigated. Board President Mrs. Dissosway commented on the subject of theft. "We're (the Board) very much disturbed about it," she stated. "We have to know how serious it is."

G.O. Plans Events

The Student Government has been busy preparing part of its calendar of events. It will sponsor a donkey basketball game sometime in December. The G.O. also hopes to sponsor a dance. As yet, no definite plans have been made. In January or February, it is planning to organize a talent show. For all of these activities, announcements will follow.

During the past few weeks, the G.O.'s major concern has been renovating the student lounge for its reopening.

Work Begins on Sculpture

The massive sculpture designed for the front circle of Schreiber's campus has recently been undergoing its beginning phases of development. Under the guidance of Philip Darling, Schreiber sculpture teacher, Stacy Pearl and Ann Warwick have been practicing their welding skills both in the welding rooms at Schreiber and at the Community Art Workshop on Main Street.

The sculpture, designed by Penny Jacobsen, a former Schreiber student, will stand twelve feet high and will be constructed of fiberglass and polyester resin. It will consist of three elements, one on which work has begun. The other two elements will be completed by February, provided that more students volunteer a helping hand. Mr. Darling urges all interested students, whether or not they are involved in Art courses, to come to the welding room...

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candy and money. The theft of candy was accomplished by reaching over the top of the store's counter and reaching inside the display case through its open back. Several of the students who worked in the store complained that these thefts were carried out right in front of them, they were powerless to stop them.

The money that the store would take in during each day was kept in a rather insecure wooden cabinet. Several times, at least twice that this reporter was able to verify, amounts ranging from \$10 to \$15 were stolen from this cabinet. In an effort to alleviate the problem, Farberman and Kevin Felsenstein, the store's assistant manager, carried the store's daily take on their persons, but they soon began to deposit the money in the general

office several times a day.

Dan Farberman, in commenting on the robbery problem, complained that every week for six weeks at the Student Government executive meetings he requested authorization and money to build a new counter that would prevent the theft of candy, but his request was repeatedly ignored. Mr. Cahill, who at first denied any knowledge of the thefts, later said that Farberman had been granted tacit approval for the construction of the counter and could have begun at any time. He admitted, however, that no major effort to aid the student store was made until after its shutdown. The student store will have a new counter.

Farberman also complained of the theft problem to Mr. Whitney, who, he said did little to aid the

store. Mr. Whitney replied to this by saying that while the store was open, there was little he could do about the thefts or other discipline problems, which he identified as being general rowdiness. As far as he was concerned, the store was shut down to give him an opportunity to resolve these problems. Since the shutdown, he has spoken with the students who were identified as being the instigators of the store's discipline problems, and made a strong attempt to gain their cooperation.

Both Farberman and several other store workers complained that the closing of the student lounge caused irreparable damage to the store by taking away its main source of business. According to Farberman, the store would gross as much as \$100 a day while the lounge was open, but has rarely grossed even \$60 a day since its closing. He said that he made repeated requests that the lounge be reopened, to no avail. Along with the store, the student lounge was reopened today.

Danny Farberman, who left the managership of the store in the circumstances surrounding its shutdown, summarized the causes of the student store problems by saying that they were largely the result of a lack of communication and a lack of cooperation between the store and the Student Government. He added that, "I realize that I made mistakes, but I just didn't have, and couldn't have had, the experience and knowledge needed to deal with some of the situations that arose in the store."

Port Alert Plans Workshops, Music

The Port Alert Coffee House, located at 225 Main Street, sponsors live music on weekend nights starting at eight. Admission is free. In addition, they run a natural foods snack bar.

The Coffee House will be offering a series of free workshops, listed below. For more information, call Mike, Rich or Harry at 767-1133.

- Academic Skills
- Astrology
- Crafts

- Crises Intervention
- Dance
- Dealing With Parents
- Fishing
- Guitar
- Journalism
- Karate
- Man / Animal Behavior
- Painting
- Poetry
- Political Awareness
- Pottery
- Self-Awareness
- Yoga.

Agenda Set For Band, Orchestra, Choir

by Steve Miller

This year Schreiber's three musical groups, the Band Orchestra and Varsity Choir have full schedules including concerts, fund-raising activities and trips.

On Sunday December 15, all three groups, and the Concert Choir will be involved in the Winter Concert, starting at 2:30 p.m. The theme, of course, will be holiday music.

The Varsity Choir, under the direction of Jerald Stone, has been involved in various activities starting in October when it sponsored a car-wash. On November 2, the Choir participated in a demonstration-workshop at Hofstra University. On December 6, the choir will sponsor a rock concert, featuring the group, "Ransom and Sundance." On December 7, the Choir and the Port Singers will participate in a combined concert in the Schreiber auditorium at 8:30 p.m. December 17 the Choir travels to New York City, where it will perform two concerts. One will be at Manufacturers Hanover Trust, and the other at the Pan Am building. Both programs will contain holiday music.

Sometime later in the school year, the Choir will make a radio appearance on Ray Heatherton's Breakfast Show. On May 3, the Annual Varsity Choir Concert will take place.

Now that the Marching Band season is over for this year, the Concert Band, under the direction of William Fish, will be involved in numerous activities. November 19, the Band provided music for a ceremony at the Town of North Hempstead Village Hall, officially designating the town as a Bi-Centennial community. Saturday, March 15, is the date of the 45th Annual Band Concert. May 26, the Band will once again

the Band will participate in the Sousa Band Shell Concert, that will officially open the Band Shell for the season. Then finally on Friday, June 27, the Band will provide the music for the commencement exercises.

The Orchestra, under the direction of Dr. Richard Rusack, has its own concert on April 17.

Proposed trips for this year include one for the Varsity Choir and Orchestra to travel to Cardiff, Wales and London, England, during the Spring

Vacation of April 20-26. The Band has a proposed trip to Washington, D.C., yet no specific date has been set.

Also, at various times during the year, all three groups will be participating in the noon-time Cabaret, not to mention the Annual Pops Concert sometime in the Spring, and all other events that have not as yet been slated.

From this calendar of events, it can well be imagined that the Band, Orchestra, and Varsity Choir are three very busy organizations.

Book Sale Nets \$240

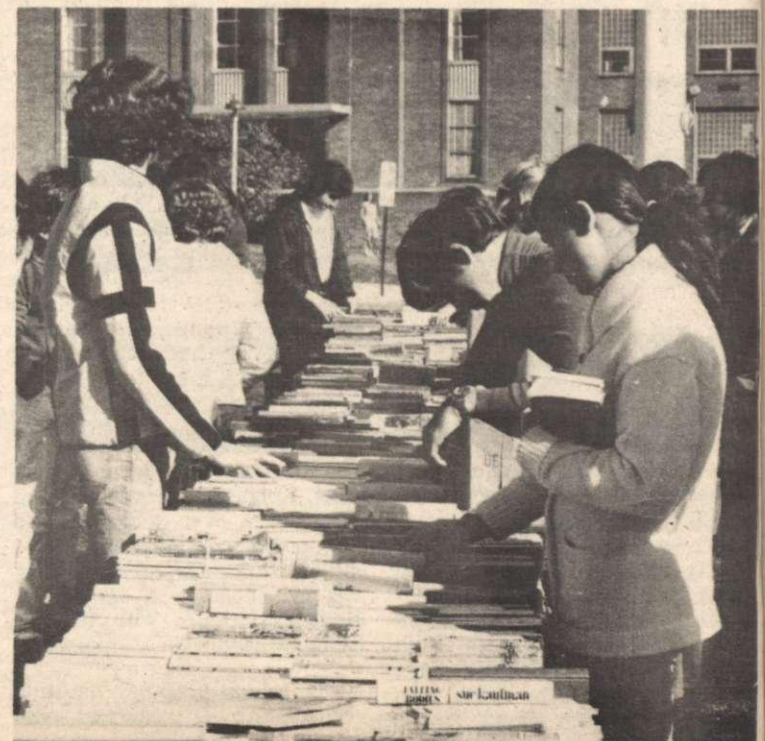


photo by Kathy Hecht

With over 5,000 books to choose from, Domestic Exchange ran a book sale at Schreiber.

Parking Violations High

In recent months, the question has arisen as to why students who are parked in the parking lot are finding notices on their cars. These tickets say essentially that if you park in the lot again, you may receive a \$10 parking ticket.

When interviewed about the problem, Mr. Whitney explained that every space in the parking lot next to the school is assigned to a teacher or other school personnel who have numbers on their space. However at times

some of these spaces are empty and students feel that they have the right to park there. Students are also parking in the visitors parking lot which is reserved for the 10-50 daily visitors. Mr. Whitney compared the problem to a game of dominos because when a teacher arrives and finds his space taken he must take the next closest space which in turn knocks someone else out of their space. When students cars are identified "courtesy cards" are

issued which say, "This car is illegally parked. Your license plate numbers have been recorded. Further violation may result in a \$10 fine" About 5 parking tickets have been issued to students who have violated the rule 5 or more times.

Although the problem is not getting worse, it is felt that as the year goes on and more students receive licenses, it will. Students are urged by Mr. Whitney to park on the lower field behind the Post Office which, "is better than walking a few miles to school."

Less Lateness Lately

Tardiness is not as common among students at Schreiber as it was last year, according to Mr. Bartels, the Assistant Principal. This is due to an effort by Mr. Bartels to crack down on those people who constantly come to school late.

If a person is repeatedly tardy for school, his attendance card is reviewed by the Assistant Principal. A letter is sent home to the parents of the student asking for their cooperation in seeing that their child comes to school on time. Up to four letters may be sent home if no improvement in attendance occurs. In some cases, suspensions are issued, after a request for a parental conference is made. However, suspensions are not a common occurrence.

Coming to school late because one's classes begin later in the morning is not excusable, according to Mr. Bartels. No one is ever excused from homeroom, unless specific arrangements have been made with the attendance office. If a student's first class is in the afternoon, as is the case with many seniors, the student is excused only once during the week to come to school

late.

When modular scheduling was first instituted at Schreiber, the question of whether students should be required to come to homeroom was brought to the Board of Education. The Board believed that the success of Modular Scheduling relied heavily on the extent to which students utilized their free time. Students who come to school late would not be able to take full advantage of this free time. Consequently, the Board voted down the option of allowing students to come to school when their first class begin. Board policy has not changed since that time.

Mr. Bartels believes that the reduction in the number of tardy students is related to his check-up policy. Last year, up to 1/3 of the school would be missing from homeroom on any given day of the Spring. No enforcements or controls were met. Two years ago, letters were issued, as they are this year, and the problem subsided. Mr. Bartels is checking up on tardy students on his own, when time permits him to do so. He hopes to begin sending letters home on a more regular basis.

Sue Reyes Wins Competition



Reinhardt Photo

Sue Reyes, a Schreiber senior, displays the fencing outfit and equipment with which she has won an opportunity to enter the National Junior Olympics. Entering an Eastern Division Fencing Meet with about thirty other girls, Sue qualified with five other fencers in the division to enter this competition, which will be held in the state of Washington in February of next year. Should Sue decide to make the trip and compete, and should she reach the finals in this nationwide contest, she would become eligible to fence in the Junior Olympics, in which many countries of the world participate.

Computer Co. Still Not Chosen

At this time, Schreiber's administration is investigating various computer scheduling services because Concord Research, the company that had been processing the schedules, will be unable to continue its work for the school.

Dr. Killeen states that he hopes to make a commitment with another company next month. Westinghouse and Educational Coordinates (the company that last year processed the schedules for Schreiber) are among the firms being considered for the task. The administration is hoping to sign a contract with a company that is familiar with flexible modular scheduling. It is thoroughly evaluating its options so that the school can complete as smooth a changeover as possible in mid-year.

To ensure that there will be no significant changes in the schedule and the cost, the administration is seeking to sign a contract with a service that uses the Epic Socrates Program (the computer program for school scheduling that Schreiber's present schedule was processed with).

Miss Cleary, chairman of the guidance department, states, "It is disconcerting to find that the company who had been servicing the school will not be able to continue working with us. However, we are resigned to the fact that we are not going to have the luxury of working uninterrupted." She also asserted that the contract that is selected will cover scheduling the entire second semester.

Mr. Melchior, Director of Secondary Education, states, "There is a remote possibility of not signing with any company. The administration prefers to operate with a computer company because it is more efficient and effective." Mr. Melchior expresses that he does not anticipate returning to hand scheduling.

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U Mass Hosts Marathon

By Ruth Friedman

Over 150 miles from Campus Drive is a school which has offered a few Schreiber students a new kind of learning. During the second week in November, the School of Education at the University of Massachusetts opened its doors so that almost 3000 teachers, graduate students, and other interested people like ourselves could come and learn under its roof. It was an incredible experience.

The five brief days at UMASS began for Debbie Freed, Jon Willner and myself with an introduction to computers. We had rushed to the School of Education immediately after arriving at the University and decided to participate in one of the 500 activities the school had planned. We learned how to operate the available computers, how to play hangman and "Mad Libs" with them, and finally how to program them. Already learning to be diverse in our interests, that evening we attended a discussion led by Wilma Scott Heide, a former president of the National Organization of Women, about the feminist movement. We learned there about "The Games Sexists Play."

The days that followed were by no means uneventful. From nine in the morning until ten at night, we were going to activities concerning sexual awareness, fighting with people, teachers' attitudes in the classroom, the "open" classroom, and teaching languages in the schools. On Tuesday we met Mr. Segun, Mr. Cahill, and Mrs. Cimperman,

who had come up to participate in the program. They and the people we had been meeting advised us as to what other sessions to attend. We went to discussions on children's literature, on mathematics, on teaching sex education, on re-evaluation counseling which involved a method of people listening to each other to help solve their problems. One evening we trekked over to nearby Hampshire College to see a movie, "I.F. Stone's Weekly. On another night we attended a session dealing with the discussion and demonstration of hypnosis, during which we ourselves were hypnotized by the group leader. One day of this Education Marathon was devoted entirely to learning about alternative schools. We discovered then some of the advantages of a school like Shaker Mountain, a small free school in Vermont in which there are no classrooms and the students plan all of their activities jointly with the staff. We also visited and observed the Marks Meadow school in Amherst, an elementary school employing open classrooms with mixed grades.

But much of our excitement about learning during the week came from outside lectures, discussions, and sensitivity groups. We spent one morning making carvings out of sandstone in the middle of the hallway in the School of Ed., and met many new

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Arena Best Choice?

Most students will agree that after spending hours sifting through the dozens of course descriptions and then having to fill out a long dreary Opscan form only to find out that they have to spend several nerve-racking hours at the arena can be a very frustrating experience. Although we may complain bitterly about the hassles few of us bother to think of the complexities involved and the alternatives.

Having a straight eight-period day would probably solve the hassles of scheduling that we face because of our modular program. But then all we would have is a schedule that works clerically but would not meet our educational needs. Having one man do all 1600 schedules has become almost an impossibility and very inefficient. Mr. Russell used to spend his entire summer doing schedules. However, often when a student's choices would not fit, they were placed into courses without being consulted. This led to a great deal of dissatisfaction on the part of the students. Another option is to do away with computer companies and conduct one big scheduling arena as many colleges do. This way, the students get to choose their entire schedule all by themselves. However, the students would have to devote at least one aggravating day going from table to table, line to line and end up very unhappy with a schedule full of compromises.

The Schreiber Administration has come up with a scheduling system that at the same time is a topic of harsh criticism and a very realistic system. Each student still has to sift through the dozens of course descriptions and still has to fill out dreary Opscan forms. The computer will only schedule the courses that the student has chosen and will record any conflicts. On the first day of the new quarter, those students with conflicts or missing courses will be able to arrange a satisfactory schedule by working with the guidance department, the scheduling office or going to the arena. In the end a student might have to compromise one or two courses or arrange with a teacher to miss a mod a week. Yet, in the end, most students will probably end up much better off than if their schedules were left either entirely in their own hands or in the hands of one man. It is important to note, however, that as much as the computer company is not relied on entirely, it schedules the base of our programs. The company who does the scheduling must have had experience and be extremely capable of doing the sort of scheduling we require.

Mr. Berry, the guidance department and all those teachers and aides who assisted with working with the students problems, must be commended for not only working so hard but for withstanding quite well the barrage of complaints and irate students. Even that ominous computer did a fairly decent job this past quarter.

Nothing ever written or said will prevent students from complaining and hassling anyone and everyone about their schedules. But just maybe, the aggravations most students have with their schedules might be eased a little when we all realize what the alternatives are.

Store Needs Advisor

If there is a lesson to be learned from the student store failure, it is that there is urgent need for a faculty advisor to the store. It is simply unfair that a high school expected to have the experience needed to run what amounts to a full scale retail business operation. A faculty advisor could provide some needed guidance and experience, and help prevent the kind of misunderstanding that proved fatal to the successful operation of the store. The Schreiber Times strongly recommends that the next student store find itself a faculty advisor.

Honors System Inequities

Within the next few weeks, teachers will be receiving a preliminary list of recommendations from the principal's committee on the grading and honors systems at Schreiber. The faculty will be asked to consider the recommendations, discuss them with other faculty members and report back to their department heads. Here are some considerations that The Schreiber Times feels are worth discussing:

Isn't it a contradiction to be concerned with making sure students taking hard courses get honors credit so they don't compete for class rank on the same level as students taking easy courses and then recommend that students taking easy courses should also be able to get honors credit?

Should a rigorous course exploring material in a greater depth than the regular course and doing a type of independent study project be considered equal grounds for honors credit?

Would the extension of the possibility of honors credit throughout the school mean that a student could get honors credit for an elective while there was an honors course being offered within the same department?

For example, could a student get honors credit in Advanced French Conversation while the A.P. French course gets honors credit? Could a teacher still give his class honors credit if he felt they had worked hard during the course and deserved it? If you are concerned about any of these considerations please bring it to the attention of any of your teachers or Dr. Killeen.

Good Year For Fall Sports

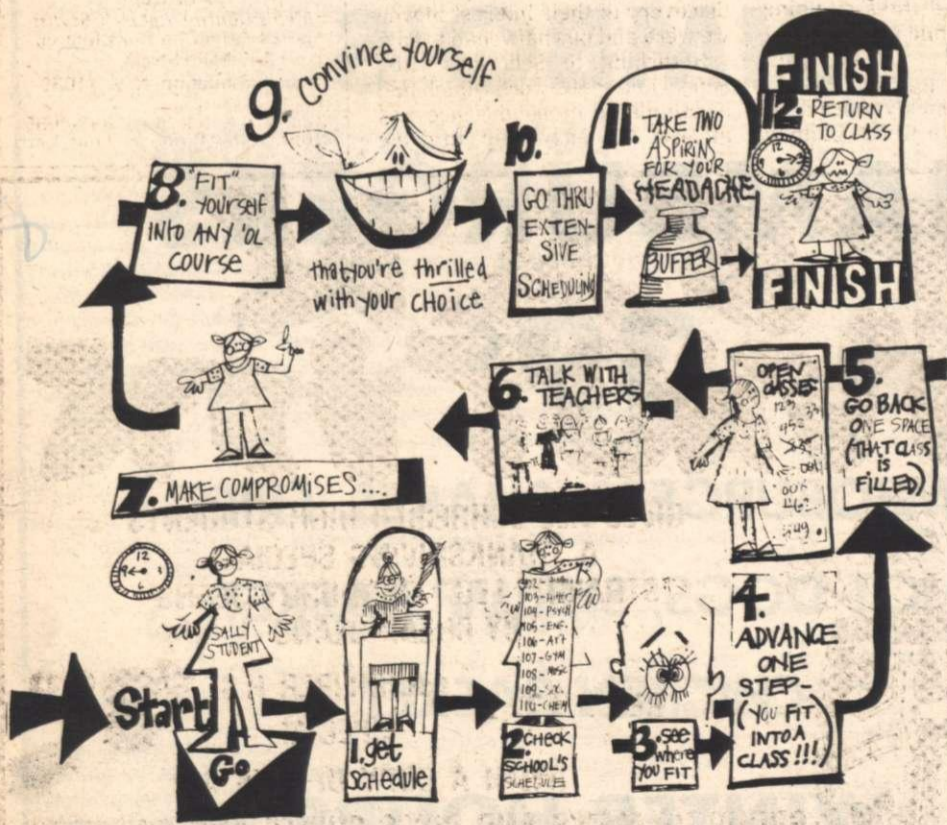
Until a few years ago, fall sports were traditionally very strong at Schreiber. Then came a period for a couple of years when the football team could do no right, and then last year the soccer team hit bottom. But this year, fall sports enjoyed a renaissance, with two division champions, three runners-up, and a very strong third-place team.

A change in policy towards the alignment of athletic divisions helped both the soccer and football teams tremendously in their drives toward division titles. After the soccer team finished second in their division, Coach Biro's footballers rebounded with an excellent 7-0-1 record this season and a division championship. Likewise, after a dismal 3-12-1 record last year, Coach Winter's soccer team came back with a 13-3 record, a reversal of their previous form. The Schreiber booters made it all the way to the North Shore championship game before succumbing in the playoffs.

Among the runners-up, Coach Edgerton's gymnastics team is second to Locust Valley not only in the division but in the county as well—a pretty impressive feat for such a young team. Coach Reiter's badminton team and Coach McClure's field hockey team finished second in their respective divisions to give the girls something to cheer about. And, while Coach Gutlerner's tennis team only finished third in their division, they made it all the way to the North Shore semi-finals before being eliminated.

We wish to thank the coaches and competitors on all the teams for giving the seniors a lot to get excited about in their last year at Schreiber.

But Still a Hassle



The Arena Game

Starring "SALLY STUDENT"
 by e.dufour

Comment: Class Clubs

by Danny Parker

Self-interest has overrun Schreiber, and the sophomore, junior, and senior class clubs have decided that their individual satisfaction is the most important thing. No longer does an organization like the Student Action Movement exist, rather three social clubs with participation totalling less than 4 per cent of the student body make up the sophomore, junior, and senior classes.

The priorities of these clubs have also changed. Once where students were interested in helping others, now, they are interested in helping themselves. Mrs. D'Antonio requested the sophomore class and their advisor, Mrs. Travis, consider the important question of how can sophomore orientation be made effective. This problem was "sluffed off" by class president Bob Gatof, and the group went on to discuss what they considered their big issue of purchasing T-Shirts. The meeting was devoted to considering size, style, color, and what type of lettering these T-Shirts should have. A major conflict arose when some members wanted the Port Viking insignia included and others felt it wasn't necessary. The meeting dispersed with the possibility of the sophomore class purchasing 36 T-Shirts.

The junior class has placed its priorities in the idea of holding a junior

prom. The money needed seems like an unobtainable amount, yet even worse, what significance is there is a junior prom? Why didn't the junior class help set up a Honduras relief fund? Where are these youths with an idea that could help everyone in the school. Why didn't these students help the Student Government fix up the student lounge? What interest does the junior class have besides creating functions that would leave direct self-satisfaction.

The senior class, at least, has the consideration to sell tickets to the November 21 soccer game. They are also selling tickets to a Net game in the future. These are all functions, but the importance of these leaves a lot to be desired. What physical remembrance has the senior class left Schreiber besides a dirty cafeteria?

The senior class has had more time than any group to see what the problems at Schreiber are, and what has to be corrected. With the best opportunity to do something, the senior class has done nothing.

The priorities of the students at Schreiber have changed. No longer is it help thy neighbor, rather each man for himself. These priorities should be reassessed, and the first place to start is with the devoted students of the sophomore, junior, and senior classes.



Francine DiStefano as Willa deWisp pins Joe Caparella against the proscenium in the musical number "Fan the Flame."

"Mitty" A Smash

by Matt Bonner

In choosing to stage James Thurber's "Secret Life of Walter Mitty," Schreiber's Performing Arts Department went out on a limb. The success would depend heavily on multi-media effects and complicated lighting. The actors would have to fit naturally into roles calling for smoothly-delivered wisecracks, awful one-liners, and a general flair for burlesque. In short, "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty" was not to be the average high school play. Yet never did so many fine actors swing more effortlessly on a limb than in Schreiber's staging of this musical comedy.

Walter Mitty is a mild-mannered businessman with the imagination of a five-year-old. His wife Agnes is the classic shrew, not allowing Mitty a moment's rest. But through a series of ego-building dreams, he is able to temporarily escape her grasp and live like a hero.

The dream sequences were highlighted by surrealist lighting and a variety of projections. Clouds rolled by the stage as endlessly as they rolled through Mitty's mind. A rocket blast, donated by NASA, lit up the screen and filled the auditorium with sound. Often actors appeared out of nowhere, lit up high over the stage like phantoms. "Go-Go" dancers (Iva Kravitz and Debbie Rosenthal), illuminated from behind, lit up the few sleepy members of the audience with their technically fascinating movements.

As the milquetoast Walter Mitty, Craig Tadken was superb. He displayed a remarkable talent for following the many personality changes Mitty underwent. He is one of those rare high school males who do not have voices like pneumatic drills. His dancing was equally natural. Tadken deserves the recognition he will surely get for his fine acting, singing, and dancing. In him, The Performing Arts Department has a funny, capable triple threat.

Jenny Gould was quite convincing as his nagging, obnoxious wife Agnes.

Equally comfortable in his role as Irving, a prissy health nut was Alan Michalak. His singing, however, was something less than angelic.

Three magnificent performances turned in by Francine DiStefano, Amy Appleby, and Pete Coffee. Francine, already recognized as Schreiber's finest kicker, strutted through a fine performance as the well-proportioned stripper Willa DeWisp. Her near smothering of Joe Caparella against the side of the stage has been inducted into the "What a way to die" Hall of Fame. Butch Appleby lisped her way through a hilarious portrayal of Hazel, a rather retarded friend of Willa. And Pete Coffee, as Harry the bartender, delivered obscure one-liners as he no one else can. His vest highlighted a broad spectrum of costumes; it resembled a peacock run over by a steam roller.

Cameo roles were generally good, especially those by Tim Nissen. Mary Ellen Macina became the first student in the history of Schreiber musicals to be listed on the program as a nymphomaniac. Amy Appleby appropriately played a female dessert named Apple Turnover.

"The Secret Life of Walter Mitty" was quite funny, liberally spiced with double entendres, outright bawd, and a memorable line about a cab driver. For once, the audience was not trying to laugh at the Sunday school humor heard in Music Man, but instead humor of an apparently more interesting sort.

The Student Production Staff and orchestra must be saluted for their fine job on a difficult play. Had they not been up to snuff, "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty" could have suffered from multiple disasters. However both these groups were more than equal to their task. Don Jones and Jerald Stone are to be congratulated on their choice and execution of this ribald musical-comedy. It is our hope they will continue to produce works of the caliber of "The Secret Life of Water Mitty." It was a smash.

U Mass Marathon

(Continued from page 3)

people. In another section of the building, we entertained ourselves with a pendulum-type instrument which someone had made for drawing abstract designs. Sometimes stopping briefly to eat while at the school, we discovered "sprout sandwiches" and health food fudge. (We had also quickly discovered the shortest path to the Campus

Coffee Shop.) But perhaps what made the entire week so exciting was the meeting of so many new and different people there, and what made it so thrilling was the discovery of their interest in who we were and in what we had to say.

Returning to Schreiber High School and to the work which had accumulated in our absence was at first not easy. But to have

experienced what we had and to be able to bring some of what we learned back with us to share made the trip well worth any and all of our time and effort.

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Winter

Track

The winter track team's outlook is most promising. With the return of at least half of last year's team, Port should be well represented.

Tom Hopkins will be returning to action after an injury kept him out of cross-country competition. Last season Hopkins finished third in the division meet and fourth in the North Shore meet in his specialty, the 1000-yard run. Other leading returnees are Jim Hales, who finished fourth in the divisionals in the 600, and Ron Tien, who was fifth in the divisionals in the 60.

These athletes, plus newcomers John Hansen (shot-put), Doug Jessen (hurdles) and Keith Frankman (high jump) should lead the team to a respectable spot in the standings.

Girl's Volleyball Begins

The girls' volleyball team has been chosen and has begun practicing under the skilled coaching of Miss Hulse. The team is primarily made up of new members, but there are a few returning players from last year. The only veteran varsity player is Cindy Fegley, who will be one of the mainstays of the team. Other returnees who played J.V. last season are Robin Beil, Jody Coyle, Dorothy Krause, Lori Marro, Kathy Medlock and Donna Minotti.

The new members are Michelle Bogaards, Jenifer Brunola, Carol

Several years ago, a group of educators met in secret to plan the downfall of the American high school student. Meeting in the basement of a Princeton, New Jersey delicatessen, they engaged in sort of Black mass, singing hymns to OpSCAN, Prince of Chaos. After having completed their plan for the destruction of innocent students, they surfaced. And so today we must constantly confront the College Board, the para-military wing of the ATP.

One can readily recognize the most serious crimes of the College Board such as charging \$29 to take a three-hour advanced placement test, and sending out your scores over two months later. But most people fail to recognize the number of subtle but insidious acts which lie under the surface of the Board's "Student Descriptive Questionnaire."

Questions No. 34-47 of the "Student Descriptive Questionnaire" (SDQ) constitute an interesting application of high-school mathematics. For

example, No. 38 asks the student to rate how well he "gets along with others." Aside from being a rather offensive query, the question is accompanied by an interesting choice of answers, such as "...highest 1 percent...." How can a student possibly tell whether he gets along with others better than 99 percent of his classmates, i.e. is in the top 1 percent in this ability? I thought perhaps the guidance office issued ranks of students in this all-important category, but I was told such a task would be impossible. Having little choice, I talked with 99 people of my own age about how they got along with others and found I was superior to 94 of them. In good conscience, I had to select choice (B), "...highest 10 percent...." However for my work with percentages and statistics answering question No. 38, I felt I was in the top 1 percent of mathematical ability, question No. 40.

Question No. 1 is the most explosive on the SDQ. In theory,

your answer grants or denies permission to the College Board to give to interested colleges and other organizations only "the student's name, address, sex, social security number, and high school code. In fact, answering "yes" to this question means at least a hundred pieces of generally junk mail, many of which raise an interesting question. These letters often commend the student on his "fine SAT scores and his interest in embalming, for example. But how do they know this if all the College Board releases is "the student's name, address, sex, social security number and high school code?" One source speculates that the colleges have a means of "cracking the social security number to discover career interests."

I would feel safer if some of the colleges writing to me through the College Board did not know that I existed. Deep Springs College in the California desert is a junior college with "some twenty-five young men and a

faculty of five." Images of reform school come to mind. Deep Springs College prohibits establishment of social ties outside the community, has a tuition, a two-week summer vacation, and a requirement to do several hours of farmwork a day. Other possibilities for this college include a dude-ranch or an undercover monastery. But whatever Deep Springs College founded by a hydroelectric czar really is, I am amazed that this was the first college to find me through the College Board.

The College Board is wanted for countless acts of aggression by students all over the country. For this reason, it has adopted the alias 'College Entrance Examination Board, Admission Testing Program, and the Educational Testing Service. Their symbol is the acorn, for from "the acorn grows the mighty oak." Little do they tell you that the mighty oak is the College Board, and that John Q. Student, at least \$6.50 throw, is the little acorn.

Clarke, Nancy Joyce, Barbara Ligeri, Donna Marro, Kathy Murray, Maureen O'Connell, Jill Schreiber, Grace Taferner and Diane Wheeler.

Last year the Port volleyball team won the Division II championship. Due to the number of new faces, no judgment can be made on whether 1974's team will repeat that record, but there is promise.

The team opens Nov. 26 at North Shore. After a Dec. 3 match at Locust Valley is the home opener, Dec. 5, against Bethpage.

Basketball Makes 1st Cut

The basketball team, semifinalsists in last year's North Shore playoffs, was hurt by some unexpected losses this season. In addition to the graduation of starters Bob Carrick and Chris Kane, Dean Poll and Duane Washington, the two centers, decided not to play, and Chris Adams, the super forward, moved. This left the Vikes' tallest player as 6'3" Tom Brown, who has played guard the past couple of seasons, and that can't be good for Port as they face Farmingdale's 6'8" Jim Graziano twice and some other monsters around the league.

Brown, who can shoot with anybody and is a fine rebounding guard, is assured of a starting spot, along with his slick back-court mate, Don Meyers. Alan Brown, last year's top J.V.

guard, should also be in line for a starting position. But the Vikings are going to have to have a tall center to be successful. 6'4 1/2" Nip McKenna will be going out for the team after his football season ends, but he has not played basketball for two years.

Others surviving last week's first cut were Skippy Amen, Rich Spann, Pat Intintoli, Billy Herrmann, Scott Pink, Steve Moro, Jim Schaefer and Pat Nunziata. They will be joined next week by members of the football team after their season ends, and perhaps by a few sophomores called up from J.V.

The season's play traditionally begins with the Manhasset Invitational, and this year's tourney will be held Dec. 13 and 14 at Manhasset High.

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Girls' Sports Dessert

by Liv Haselbach

On November 20 at 8:00 p.m., many Schreiber girls and their parents met in the cafeteria for the annual Fall Sports Dessert. After refreshments were served, the program started with some opening remarks by Mr. Thomas Romeo, the director of athletics. The coaches of the various fall teams were introduced and Dr. Killeen, Schreiber's principal, made a brief speech.

The three teams represented at the Fall Dessert were the Riding Club, coached by Mrs. Robey, the field hockey team, coached by Mrs. McClure, and the badminton team, coached by Miss Reiter. Each coach remarked about her team's performance and congratulated the members.

The Riding Club was made up of 36 girls who took lessons on weekdays at the C.W. Post campus. The members received certificates of participation from Mrs. Robey.

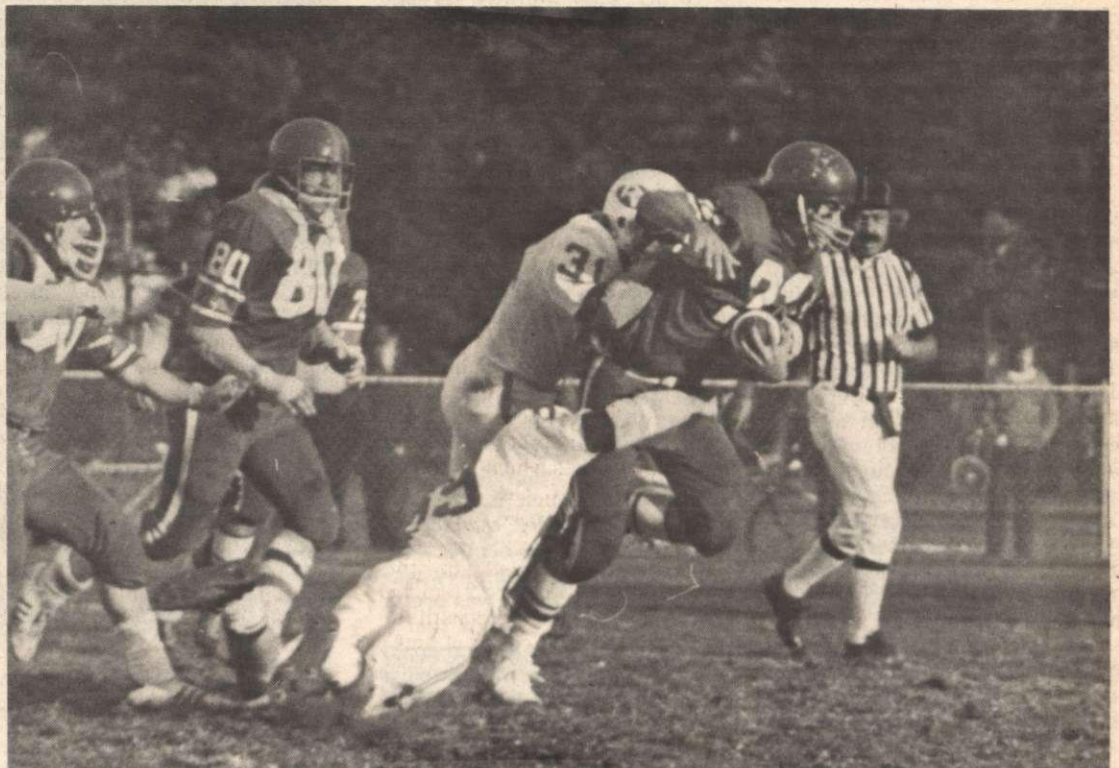
After this presentation came the hockey team's. After Mrs. McClure congratulated the varsity team for finishing in second place in its division, and the J.V. team for its undefeated season, awards were given out. Special recognition was given to the four managers, Mary Calvelli, Eileen Corrigan, Siobhan Delaney and Nancy Ferrisi, and also the captains, Dorothy Krause (varsity defense), Kathy Medlock (varsity offense), Claire Battista (J.V. defense) and Cathy Hausman (J.V. offense).

Cathy Hausman won the "Sportsmanship Award" and "Team Spirit Award" for the J.V. team with Claire Battista receiving the "Best J.V. Team Player Award". The varsity awards went to Chrissie Peelle (Sportsmanship), Kathie Cipriano (Team Spirit) and Dorothy Krause (Best Varsity Team Player). Miss Krause was also honored as this year's "Most Valuable Player".

The final team acknowledged was the badminton team. Miss Reiter congratulated her second-place team and mentioned the season's highlights. Special recognition went to Wendy Hauser for becoming the 2nd Singles Champion in Port's division, and to the pair of Janna Saslaw and Risa Stone for winning the 2nd Doubles Championship. The "Most Valuable Player" award was given to Donna Minotti, who was also the team's captain. Miss Minotti also received a special award for being on the varsity team all of her high school years.

Football Team Meets Wantagh in Playoffs Friday

by J.G. Preston



Barry Cohen (31) and Tom Rice (89) lasso a MacArthur runner in Port's 22-16 victory over the Generals. Strong defense has made the Vikings favorites in their playoff game this Friday.

The Port Washington Vikings, after an unbeaten season in Conference III play, travel to C.W. Post Friday morning to play Conference IV champ Wantagh in the Nassau County playoffs. The game will be starting at 10:30 a.m. and followed by a contest between Conference V titlist Carey and Conference VI champ Levittown Division.

After a 6-6 tie with Mepham, a game the Vikings had numerous chances to win, Port breezed through the remainder of the schedule, trouncing highly-regarded Bethpage, stifling Calhoun, demolishing Herricks, and hanging on to beat MacArthur. Port opened up a 22-0 lead in the fourth quarter of that game before the Generals went to the air and scored two late touchdowns to make the score look close.

The Vikes send a very strong team against Wantagh this week. While the offense may not be as powerful as that of the glory years in the late '60's, it maintains possession and moves steadily up the field. Making the offense look that much better is the defense, which is among Port's finest ever.

Mike Greenspan's power running was a big factor in Port's success this season. Greenspan gained almost 600 yards rushing, an imposing figure that has been exceeded by Port runners only three times in the past eight seasons. In addition the durable fullback toted the pigskin 118 times for a new school record. Greenspan may not possess blinding speed, but he can always be counted on for four or five yards, and he is especially valuable near the goal line where the defenses tighten up.

Port has a very strong ground game, with slotback Mark Brown, quarterback Ted Kramer and halfback Chris Cannon picking up a lot of yardage. Brown, possibly the team's best runner, gained big yardage during the season on reverses, and Kramer frustrated a number of defenses

with his bootleg runs. The consistent rushing and lack of fumbles helps Port control play during games. While they usually don't score much because they move slowly, they rarely fail when presented with scoring opportunities.

The offensive line will be missing one regular Friday in tackle John Vlahos. His spot will be filled by either Jon Fitzgerald or Tom Rice. The rest of the hard-charging line remains intact, with center Steve Hiller, guards Mike Ragusa and Tim O'Leary, tackle Jim Hylas, and ends Rice, Bob Sentner or Nip McKenna.

Sentner and McKenna make excellent targets for Kramer's passes. When he has to, Kramer can go to the air and pass with the best. The protection from his line has improved considerably in recent games.

Port's strong defense has consistently given the offense good field position. Port has proved almost impossible to run on, with O'Leary clogging up the middle and speedy McKenna on the end, and passing has been treacherous for opponents considering the strong pass rush given by Fitzgerald, McKenna and Hylas. Linebackers Ragusa and Rice are strong tacklers and smart, and backs Cannon, Greenspan, Brown and Lou Prudente have proved to be sure tacklers as well as fine pass defenders.

Wantagh has a strong defense as well, and for this reason Coach Biro feels his squad may have to go to the air a bit more often than they have in previous games, but with Kramer they are unafraid. Wantagh's offense has been potent, with a strong-armed quarterback and some large receivers, but Port's defense should give them fits.

A runaway for either team is not expected, but a big margin of victory for Port could be as much an indication of the superior caliber of play in the larger Conference III than anything else.

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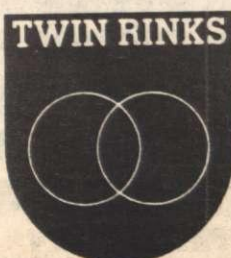
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FALL SPORTS ROUNDUP

Tennis

The Port tennis team progressed all the way to the semifinals of the North Shore playoffs, but at that point they fell to defeat, losing to Wheatley by a 5-2 score. The playoff performance was quite pleasing after an 8-7 season record.

In the first two playoff rounds, Port calmly trounced Westbury (7-0) and Garden City (6-1). In the semifinal, Port met Wheatley, their arch-rivals from Division I. With only two matches remaining, Port trailed only 3-2, and Mike Levine and Jeff Papell were each in the third sets of their singles matches. Unfortunately, each lost, and thus Port was knocked out of the playoffs.

Special post-season recognition went to singles' stars Papell and John Schiller, each of whom was named to the All-North Shore team.

Badminton

After completing a 6-1 season, the badminton team turned in an excellent performance in the division tournament, placing second to Manhasset, the team that beat them during the season.

Port had two champions in the seven events and five runners-up. Placing first for the Vikingettes were the second doubles team of Janice Saslaw and Risa Stone, and Wendy Hauser at second singles. Hauser bested teammate Barbara Ligeri in the finals.

Also placing second from Port Washington were Donna Minotti (first singles), Carol Shure (third singles), Carol Clarke (fourth singles), and the first doubles team of Ann Murphy and Janine Rogan.

The girls had an easy time with all their foes except Manhasset during the season, breezing to six easy wins before a tough loss at the hands of their arch-rivals.

Field Hockey

The girls' field hockey team had a great season. The varsity team moved up from its fifth place finish of last year to a second-place tie this year. Probably the greatest victory of the season was Port's shutout of Carle Place. Carle Place hadn't lost a game for three years, but they were overpowered.

Port varsity's final record was 4 wins, 2 losses and 1 tie. Fifteen goals were scored during league games, and goalie Helen Krause made 22 saves.

The J.V. team also played extremely well. They were undefeated, with a record of 3 wins, 4 ties and no losses. Seven Port goals were scored and only two scored against them. Jill Schreiber, the J.V. goalie, made 10 saves.

Dorothy Krause was a varsity standout, winning the Most Valuable Player award, while Claire Battista and Cathy Hausman led the J.V.

Soccer Loses in North Shore Finals

On a cold, wet, windy night at Hofstra University, Port Washington's soccer team saw its title hopes come to an end with a 2-1 overtime loss to Great Neck South in the finals of the North Shore playoffs. Two goals by South's All-County left wing, Aretin Altmann, the second of which slid right through Port goalie Joe Nittolo, were the difference in the exciting contest.

It was a night not even fit for ducks, let alone human beings playing soccer. The afternoon's rain had let up by game time, but conditions were still very wet. There were even standing pools of water on the Astroturf. As the temperature dipped below the freezing level the water was transformed into a thin sheet of ice that glazed the playing field. As if that wasn't enough, winds gusting up to 40 miles per hour made passes or shots above the ground tricky propositions at best. It was no coincidence that all three goals were scored with the wind at the scorer's back.

The game started slowly as both teams adjusted to the conditions. It was an unusual sight to see booming goal kicks suddenly grabbed by the wind and hurled in the direction from whence they came. The short passing game became very important, and South's superiority in this phase of the game helped them to a definite edge.

Port was unable to control the ball at all at any point during the game, while South would string a few passes together and get a half-decent shot off. Some superb netminding by Nittolo kept South off the scoreboard. At one point South's Bobby Meyer had what appeared to be a sure goal from close range, but Nittolo lunged

and deflected the ball with one hand, and then saw the wind push it out of the empty net.

The Vikings drew first blood on a corner kick midway through the second period. Pascal Iannelli tucked a high honey of a kick just beneath the crossbar on the far side for his fifth goal of the season to give Port a 1-0 edge. The goal may have hurt Port more than it helped, though. From that point on the Vikings seemed to be content to try and hold onto their lead, and as a result their aggressiveness disappeared. Port didn't manage a single shot in the third quarter while the Rebels took ten and scored their first goal.

The goal was a fine individual effort by Altmann. Altmann shoots from extremely long distances for a wing, at times 35 to 40 yards, which is halfback range. In the third quarter he launched one of his bombs from that area which fortunately was right at Nittolo. But it was pretty clear from the press box that a player as good as Altmann could take that shot without kicking it directly at the goalie, and sure enough just moments later Altmann's shot from almost exactly the same spot eluded Nittolo to the far side and knotted the score.

South continued to have the better of play in the fourth quarter, but Nittolo and fullbacks Rich Imperatore, Bob Day and Bruce Sherman held the Rebels at bay. Port managed a couple of chances towards the end, but couldn't score.

As the overtime began it was apparent to all present that South boasted the superior team that evening, but Port's defense tenaciously hung on. The whole game went down the drain,



Mark Pasquali gets off a blast from outside the penalty area in Port's 3-1 playoff win over Clarke last week. Looking on are Tony Strangolagalli (l.) and Pascal Iannelli (c.). Reinhardt Photo

though, on a momentary lapse by Nittolo, who otherwise dazzled in making 16 saves. Again it was Altmann and again it was from long range, a shot very similar to his first goal except at Nittolo.

Somehow Nittolo couldn't find the handle on it, though. Perhaps it was an unexpected skip off the wet Astroturf, or maybe the soaked ball was just too difficult to grasp. Whatever the reason, Nittolo seemed to make the save, and then the ball squirted between his legs and into the goal for the deciding tally.

Port was robbed of a chance to

tie with just a minute remaining in the contest. For some reason a Rebel defender reached up and blocked a Dan Bernhard corner kick with his arms while standing inside the penalty area, but the officials missed it and thus couldn't call the penalty kick that would have afforded Port an excellent chance to tie the contest.

It had been a penalty kick, by Phil Rybecky, that put Port into the final round. Rybecky's penalty kick in overtime against Garden City was the only tally in Port's 1-0 win. Nittolo was the

star of the game, making 19 incredible saves and frustrating the Trojan booters at every turn. The fullbacks were also superb, with Day playing a particularly fine game. It was a well-played, exciting match, in which each team had numerous opportunities to score, but staunch netminding by Nittolo and GC's Craig Blanchard kept the game scoreless into overtime.

Center forward Scott Nagell (17 goals) and co-captain Bob Jones were named to the All-Division team, while sophomore star Mark Pasquali made All-North Shore in the coaches' vote tabulated last week.

Gymnastics Team Close But Finishes Second

Dual Meet Windup

by Scott Pink

Port Washington's gymnastics team narrowly lost a meet to Locust Valley on November 15 by a score of 104.1-103.6. Although the team was disappointed with the loss, many brilliant performances were turned in, with Paul Ward a double winner in

floor exercise and parallel bars and Frank Cohen was a winner in the still rings. Port did very well against the unbeaten Locust Valley team as they broke the hundred-point barrier for the fourth time this season and three personal records were shattered.

The large crowd hushed when the first three events

(horizontal bar, floor exercise, and still rings) began. Port did well in the horizontal bar with Frank Cohen (4.15), Mike Siciliani (4.25), and John Brzorad (5.1) all achieving personal records. Paul Ward, Port's captain and premier gymnast, placed second with a 6.4, but Port was unable to grab the lead from Locust Valley. Port did well in the next event which was floor exercise, but Locust Valley maintained a slim lead. Paul Ward was dynamite in somersaulting his way into first place, and he remained undefeated in this event by posting a 7.7. Port managed to stay within 1.6 points after performing consistently on the pommel horse. Alex Wade (4.5) garnered third place in this very difficult event.

Port was impressive in the still rings since this was supposed to be Locust Valley's best event. Frank Cohen's solid performance (6.55) enabled him to win first place and tie the school record. In vaulting, Port hoped to close the gap on Locust Valley, but a Locust Valley gymnast posted an 8.2 and Port remained behind. Peter Schmitz posted a 7.95 in route to second place and Jim Olivieri vaulted to a 7.55.

Tensions rose as the meet neared the last event, the parallel bars. Rudy Ramos (4.75) initiated Port's comeback and John Brozorad assisted with 5.2 which gave him third place. Paul Ward was the last to go, and performed flawlessly under the intense pressure while winning the event with a 7.5. The crowd waited anxiously for the final score, and when it was announced the Locust Valley fans went wild. Even though Port won the last event by 2.2 points, it wasn't enough.

Division Tourney

The Port gymnasts completed two days of outstanding routines, but fell short of the number one spot in the Division I meet last weekend at Locust Valley. The host team won, with the Vikings second and a margin of only 3.95 separating the two teams.

The first day's competition saw all of the performers attempt the same routine and be scored on their execution. The second day the gymnasts got to choose their own routines. The scores were taken from both days and added together.

Despite Port's second place finish, Viking competitors walked away with five individual gold medals and one silver medal.

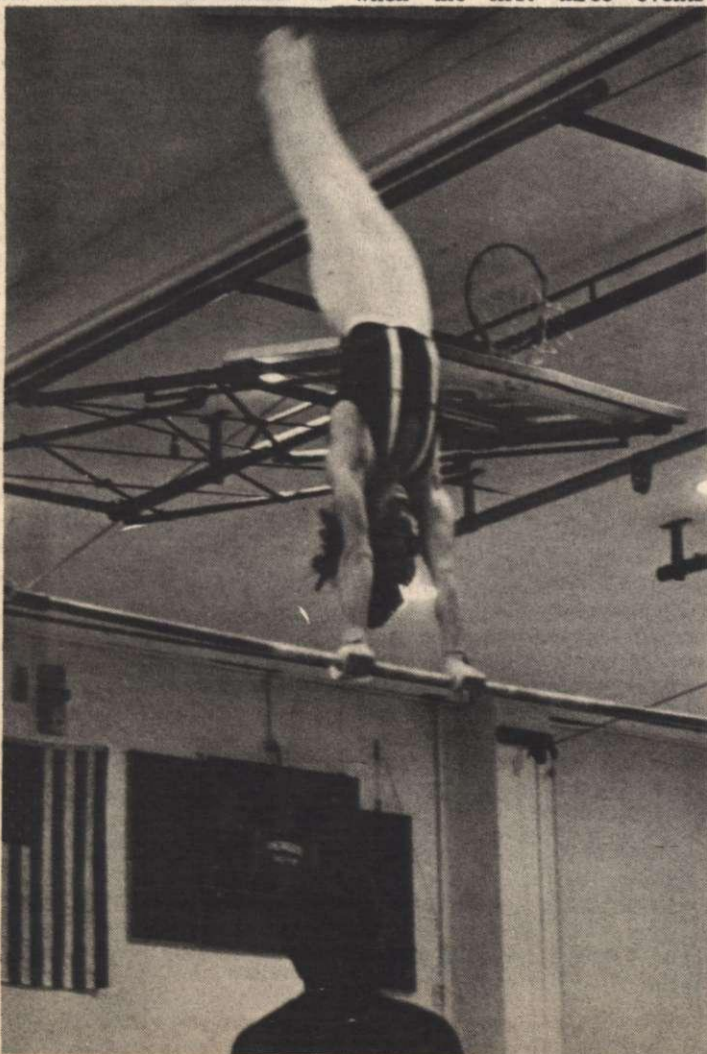
Captain Paul Ward was the star of the meet as he copped four gold medals. In addition to winning his three best events (high bar, floor exercise and parallel bars), he also won the all-around medal determined by

the sum of his scores in all six events. Ward scored well enough to win the still ring and vaulting competition, but an all-around performer is only allowed to have three of his events count towards the team score.

Dennis Schiff was Port's other gold medalist with a fine performance on the side horse, particularly in the compulsory routine. Mike Siciliani took second for the Vikings on the still rings, despite breaking the school record for his optional routine.

Port has another shot at Locust Valley in tonight's county championship meet at Baldwin. The Vikings are accorded the best chance of beating the Falcons of any other team.

In addition, eight Vikings qualified through their performance in the division tourney to compete in the individual county championships, Sat. at Port. They are Ward, Schiff, Siciliani, Alex Wade, John Brzorad, Jim Oliveri, Peter Schmitz and Rudy Ramos.



Tom Murphy spins around the horizontal bar as Coach Edgerton looks on. Reinhardt Photo



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