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## Manorhaven Hangouts Reconsidered



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Steve Iannucci and Mr. Mohrman shake hands as Mario Mauro, Paul Greany and Nancy Garcia stand by. Also pictured is Dr. Killeen who arranged the meeting.

Last week ten Schreiber students formed the Teen Council, a group whose purpose it is to aid in the reopening and running of the Teen Canteen. The Teen Canteen is a youth center in Manorhaven Park that was not originally scheduled to be opened this winter. Of the ten students, Tommy Casella, Nancie Garcia, Paul Greany, Steve Greany, Steve Iannucci, and Mario Mauro are permanent members of the Council; and Nicky Gaudio, Michael Giacobbe, Louise Petito, and Andrea Wiesen are alternates.

On Monday, December 8, Dr. Killeen met with Nancie Garcia and Tommy Casella to discuss the problems in the school and the community of the kids who hang out in the back smoking lounge. They talked about enclosing the smoking lounge with brick walls and installing a heater. The kids also emphasized the gravity of the situation in Manorhaven. They talked about being hassled by the police, and the necessity of opening the Teen Canteen to give kids somewhere to go.

Dr. Killeen arranged a meeting between representatives of those wanting to reopen the Canteen and an official of the Town of North Hempstead (the Canteen is part of a Town park). On Thursday, December 11, Dr. Killeen brought Nancie Garcia, Paul Greany, Steve Iannucci, and Mario Mauro to a meeting with Mr. Tom Mohrman, Deputy Commissioner of Parks and Recreation of the Town of North Hempstead. The meeting was held in Mr. Mohrman's office in the Bar Beach complex.

Nancie Garcia acted as the spokesman for the kids that she said wanted the Canteen reopened. She said that they had been told in September that the Canteen would open as usual in mid-October. When in mid-October the Canteen did not open, the kids were unable to find out why it had remained closed. Many times they were told that the Canteen would be reopening soon. As Nancie said, "Well, we've been asking and waiting, and it's December, and there is still no sign that the Canteen will open. It's already too cold to hang out outside."

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## Homeroom Boycott

A protest to the new homeroom rule was held during homeroom on Thursday, December 11. Approximately 50 students remained in the main lobby at 8:15 AM, refusing to go to homeroom. Mr. Bartels, who was present in the lobby, spoke individually to most of these students, giving them the opportunity to leave for homeroom before he would record their names. About twenty five students chose not to leave for homeroom. Bartels was able to record 20 names before homeroom ended at 8:20.

The parents of these 20 students were contacted by Mr. Bartels later on Thursday. They were informed that their children had been involved in a protest action, that each student's absence from homeroom Thursday would be recorded as a cut, and that if the protests continued until any of the protesters had four homeroom cuts, no flexibility would be possible. These people would then receive "F's" for all subjects. There has been no further protest action up until press-time.

Movement towards the protest began on Wednesday afternoon when two signs urging students to boycott homeroom on Thursday were placed in the main lobby. The placards were signed by Schreiber students Bob Bolecek, Peter Horr, Danny Walsh, and Peter Garzero. Mr. Bartels removed the signs from the lobby at about 3:30 Wednesday afternoon. Dr. Killeen contacted the parents of the four students on Wednesday evening. He told them that their children could possibly be suspended for urging other students to violate school rules.

Bolecek later commented that the new rule had little effect on him personally because he could easily obtain false excuses. He said that he initiated the protest on behalf of all the other students who might not be able to get such excuses. He also said that he and the other students whose signatures were on the two signs were dissatisfied with the actions taken by the Student Government concerning the homeroom rule because they were taking too long.

## G.O. Battles Homeroom Policy

Attempts by the Student Government to abolish or modify the new homeroom rule have recently been intensified. According to G.O. Council member Rachel Conescu, "We're all getting equally fed up, and things are beginning to happen."

The homeroom rule, which was instituted at the beginning of this year, states that any student who is absent from homeroom without authorization more than three times in one quarter will lose all course credit for that quarter. In October, in a schoolwide referendum, Schreiber students voted seven-to-one to attempt to repeal the rule.

The G.O. held a special meeting to brief the student body on its efforts to abolish the rule on Thursday, Dec. 3rd, at 2:20, in the cafeteria. Approximately 140 students attended this meeting. Assembly leader A.B. Appleby first said that the rule was the result of a petition signed last spring by over 1000 parents, expressing concern over the functioning of modular scheduling in Schreiber. She then said that seven students had received "F's" in all their courses so far this year as a result of this rule, and that the rule may be illegal. She informed the student body that the School Board had asked the G.O. for an alternative to the rule, and appealed to the students for their help in seeking an alternative. "We need your



Council Member Conescu gains students' attention as she lends discussion on Homeroom Rule.

support ... this can't be fifteen people in a room working." A mid-day homeroom and other ways of taking attendance were discussed.

### Mid-day Homeroom?

The G.O. thought that a mid-day homeroom would be a legitimate alternative to the present homeroom. It was soon informed by the School Board that a mid-day homeroom would be impossible. According to the Administration, state aid to the school district is based on the

number of students attending school for at least five and one-half hours each day. Were homeroom to be held at 10:35, students would only legally be in school from 10:35 to 3:05, and the school would be ineligible for state aid.

Assistant Principal Mr. Berry also informed Council member Conescu that a mid-day homeroom would be impossible because of the scheduling difficulties it would create. Were a homeroom to be held at 9:30

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## Problems For '76 Budget

Every year the School Board must face the difficult task of presenting a budget that is acceptable to both those who oppose an increase in taxes and those who oppose cuts in educational programs. Next year the task will be made even more difficult because of increases in expenditures and expected decreases in state aid to the Port Washington School District.

State aid could be cut by as much as \$380,000 or more. Aid to a school district is largely determined by that district's attendance figures. In determining attendance figures secondary school students are now counted as one and a quarter students. But this policy expires this year and it is likely that it will not be renewed. If it is not renewed the district would lose about \$250,000 in aid, according to Harold Champol, Assistant Superintendent in Charge of Business. When the formula for state aid was changed, districts were guaranteed that their state-aid would not decrease. The Legislature is considering removal of that guarantee. This removal would cost the district approximately \$100,000. There is also the possibility that the district's Building Aid will be cut by \$30,000.

Coupled with this probable decrease in aid is an increase in expenditures, most of which the Board has no control over. The teachers' contract guarantees them an increase in salary equal to the increase in the cost of living. Mr. Champol estimates that the increase in the cost of living will be about 7.5 percent. An increase of 7.5 percent on the total teachers' salaries of approximately 9 million dollars will result in an added expenditure of \$675,000. In addition, the teachers' salaries will increase another \$200,000 because of normal increments contained in their five year contract.

These increases in teachers' salaries will cost the district a total of \$875,000. If all other expenses remain the same, the \$380,000 decrease in state aid would add 38 cents to the tax rate and the \$875,000 increase in teachers' salaries would add another 87 cents.

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## Dramatic Arts To Present 'Story Theatre'

The Dramatic Arts Department, under the direction of Mr. Don Jones, has begun production of "Story Theatre", which will be presented on January 30, 31.

"Story Theatre", which appeared on Broadway in 1970, is a collection of Grimm's Fairytales and Aesop's Fables. The eleven members of the cast are Mike Barrack, Rachel Conescu, Maryanne Dawson, Bill Hausdorff, Liz Laudenschlager, Ken Mandel, Liz Morrison, Kathy O'Connor, Chris Shobe, Greg Shunick, and Floyd Sklaver. Student directors are Barbara Davilman and Eric Segall. "The play itself is very difficult," said one cast member, "It involves a lot of pantomime; almost no props."

Mr. Jones originally planned to present "The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie" as the next production. He then decided to change to "Story Theatre" because he felt that it would have more audience appeal.



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Foxy Woxy ruffles feathers in Story Theatre

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# Port Alert Rebuilds After Serious Fire



Port Alert building under reconstruction.

The Port Alert Center was gutted by fire early this year. Reconstruction has now begun, and will probably last until early February. The temporary offices are now in a trailer located in the Port Alert parking lot.

The fire, started by an electrical short circuit, was contained to the left side of the building and the roof. The building, which is actually an old house, was boarded up. The rebuilding of the roof has been completed.

Immediate plans were made for the construction of some new additions. The funds, coming from insurance and local efforts, proved to be inadequate, and the only additions will be two new bathrooms and a new kitchen. The layout of the building will also be changed.

The Board of Trustees got together after the fire and ordered the trailer. Due to bad weather, the trailer took two weeks to be delivered. It has room for desks and a few small meeting rooms.

According to Pat Workman, Port Alert's Assistant Director, "The staff had conscientiously and successfully made every attempt to continue service of the community." Group sessions are now being held in Main Street School after regular school hours.

The Port Alert staff is "looking forward to meeting the needs of the community," Pat said, and they would like to hear suggestions for new services. One activity that has already been planned is a jam session. The staff also plans on getting recreational facilities.

# Band Plays Garden

On November 20th, the Schreiber High School band and the Portettes went to Madison Square Garden in New York City to perform during the halftimes of two basketball games.

The band went to the Garden to substitute for the Notre Dame band which was unable to attend. During both halftimes, the band played several selections, among them the "Notre Dame Victory Song", while the Portettes did their routine. Schreiber was selected because of its excellent performance in last year's band competition at the Garden.

In the first game, the Notre Dame basketball team played the Russian National team. The Russians were victorious by one point in a close game. In the other game, Fordham University played the Canadian National team, and Fordham won.

# Disco Boppers Dig Beat

The disco scene hit Schreiber on Saturday night, November 22. Disco Night had all that was promised: non-stop music, a light show, hustle lessons, and a boogie beat. The only element lacking was a good sized crowd. Staged by the Public Affairs club and the Student Government, Disco night did not garner much profit. To publicize Disco Night, the two student organizations held a peanut butter and jelly sandwich eating contest in the cafeteria. Participants included Bill Keck, Jimmy Levine, Mike Meaney, Denise Perricone, and Dave Reuter. "It was a real blast and a great lunch," said Jimmy Levine.

The music was certainly fun to dance to, but the endless barrage of sound was tiring after the first hour. One song was played four times throughout the course of the evening. The most coordinated couples were John Hoffman and Joanne Jones (who danced a mean hustle), and Reggie Braziel and Gloria Nixon. An enjoyable evening was had by

# DISCO - NIGHT



all, but, undoubtedly, the really would have been jumping if more kids had come to dance.

# Flea Market Aids Senior Class

On Saturday, November 22, thirty-eight different organizations sold various articles at the Senior Class Flea Market. The fair was held in the Schreiber Gymnasium from 10:00 A.M. to 4:15 P.M. This event ran at approximately the same time as the varsity football game against Calhoun.

Though many of the booths were privately run, five Schreiber organizations set up tables. The Art Club sold various plants while the student Government sold cotton candy and apples. The school Class Clubs, Club 10, the Junior Class and the Senior Class, sold leather crafts, books, pretzels, chances on a jelly bean guessing contest, light bulbs and novelties. Many of the privately run booths sold novelties, as well as clothes, jewelry, pottery, belt-buckles, and different colored sand vases.

The Senior Class raffled off many door prizes. These prizes were worth over two hundred dollars. Every half-hour a gift was raffled off to a lucky winner. The prizes were donated by: Carvel, Sorelle, Szechuan Palace, Twin Rinks, Cheese and



Things, McCrory's and other local stores. Many gifts were returned because their winner had already won several gifts.

The Senior Class earned \$456.28 while many of the other booths suffered losses. Much of the Senior Class' money was made through the \$7.50 collected for the use of each booth. The football

game, cold weather, and price charged for the use of booths all contributed to financial losses experienced the other organizations.

Though this was an unsuccessful venture for many groups, numerous shoppers and participants enjoyed the event.

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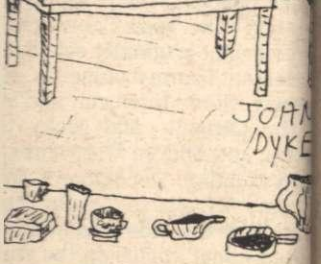


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On Tuesday, November 25, the Schreiber Art department held a "Dare to Share" art demonstration in the lobby to give the student body a look at some of the things art students here are doing. The techniques used to make ceramics, sculpture, drawings, and many other art forms were demonstrated by the art students. Passers-

## Bleachers Planned

For many years now, the bleachers utilized to watch football games have been erected and dismantled every football season. The bleachers, when first built, were dedicated by the President, and were then sold to the School district as surplus goods.

Apparently, the District is trying to install new bleachers with a permanent concrete base, since the track is unusable when the temporary bleachers are up. The new bleachers would be surrounded by a fence "to keep the crap out," as one administration official put it. They would be located in approximately the same position as they are now, but off the track. They could also be oriented to view the baseball field. Building and Grounds Administrator Mr. Rosenman has said that drainage will be no problem.

A similar move was attempted last year, but the \$5000-plus proposal was axed during budget cuts. The Administration hopes that the same fate will not befall this year's proposal.

## Pick A Slope, Any Slope

by Charlie Stone

Which ski trip would you choose if you're going to choose one? This could be a problem if you're a Schreiber student. In fact, it may be the toughest problem a Schreiber student will face during his school career.

When one finally chooses a ski trip, he is faced with the problem of snow. Unfortunately, the groups that sponsor the trips have no control over the snow conditions. This can cause difficulties such as the arrival at the slopes only to find that the one thing open is the bar and one's I.D. card was left at home.

Information about a number of ski trips has been posted in the Schreiber halls. These trips include: A two day trip to Mt. Snow sponsored by Ski-o-rama, and a trip to Whiteface Mountain. There are also one day trips with



Mr. Birch, a Weber Health teacher. The cost of these trips is \$13.50 excluding lift ticket. The students who organize these trips receive their trips free of charge

if enough people go. According to Tom Howard, who has in the past organized ski trips, more trips are planned for the February vacation.



by were encouraged to stop, watch, and ask questions. Some of them were so interested that they signed up for an art course for the second semester. The organizers termed the demonstration a success because the Art department, heretofore, virtually unknown to most students, gained recognition and many new pupils.

## Broadcast Begins

Since Monday, Schreiber has had its own radio station. It is sponsored by the student government and is directed by Howard Weingrad and Marc Hochlerin.

The radio station has a music format and runs from 9:05 to 11:00 and 12:30 to 2:20 in the cafeteria. Weingrad and Hochlerin head a group of seven disc-jockeys who run 20 or 45 minute tapes of their own selections. In between the tapes, which play over the P.A. system in the cafeteria, are short periods when announcements are read. There is a suggestion box in the cafeteria that the student government coordinator, Bill Finkelstein, encourages everyone to contribute to.

The seven disc-jockeys and their specialties are: Marc Hochlerin-Rock; Howard Weingrad-Electric Jazz; Barbara Merjan-Acoustic Jazz; Curtis Tunnel-Soul, Funk; Dana Heller-Mellow, Rock; and Sandy Macleod-Classical.

# Who Will Clean Cafeteria?

by Pam Harff

A new cafeteria supervision policy was introduced during the second half of last year. It requires all teachers, with the exception of department heads, to have two mods of scheduled cafeteria duty each week. During this time, they are to stop disturbances and encourage the students to clean up.

The opinions of the faculty concerning this policy and its usefulness are varied. Dr. Grosmark, the chairman of the Science department, said that he "can see the need for the adult presence." He added that he thought the problem of fighting in the cafeteria had been reduced by having the teachers there. Other teachers joined him in this opinion. Some thought the students' knowledge of ever-present teachers prevented more violent outbreaks than did actual interventions by teachers.

Not all faculty members, however, saw that there was a need for having teachers in the cafeteria. Some said that their opinion was based on having cafeteria duty at the extreme ends of the day. This left them unaffected by the "prime-time lunch crowd." Those whose time period did not demand their undivided attention to supervisory functions found amusement in reading or talking with students.

## Teachers Circulate Petition

Both groups of teachers expressed a desire to have something done about the mess in the cafeteria. It was suggested that the teachers' aides be utilized for this purpose. The topic thus became common in discussions among teachers. No action was taken until one day when a group of teachers against using aides to clean the cafeteria decided on a need for a petition. The teachers in this group thought that the amount of aide-time existing under the present system was minimal, and that the quality of the instructional program would decline if the aides were taken out of the resource centers in order to clean the cafeteria.

The petition was circulated throughout the departments, and reportedly signed by many teachers. It said that those who had

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## Manorhaven Canteen to Reopen

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Mr. Mohrman explained that in the past two years the Town had spent about a million dollars rehabilitating Manorhaven Park. Among other things, a new basketball court has been built, the pool has been painted, a bicycle path has been paved, and tennis courts have been built. He said that the Town does not mind spending taxpayers' money on projects such as these, but that it refuses to spend money repairing equipment that has been vandalized, or replacing equipment that has been stolen. He said that the Canteen had not been reopened because of the damage that was done there last year. In addition, park officials are not clear as to how much the Canteen is really needed. Right now, Manorhaven Park closes at five o'clock each night because there is no night time supervision.

Mr. Mohrman read the kids part of a proposal that a Teen Council in Carle Place had formulated to get their Teen Center reopened. He asked if the kids were willing to write up a set of rules governing behavior in the Teen Canteen, if the Town agreed to reopen it. The representatives agreed to this proposal.

The kids asked specifically what items had been damaged in the Canteen last year. Mr. Mohrman said that damage had been done not only to the Canteen, but to the entire park as well. A telephone and its pedestal were ripped out, shrubbery was damaged, and some lighting fixtures were broken. There was also smoking inside the building, drinking in the park, and on several occasions, harassment of park employees.

The kids thought that the man who supervised the Canteen last year did not understand kids and was not responsive to their needs. Sometimes, without explanation, he would refuse to open the bathrooms. Steve said that he was not respected by the kids because they did not feel as though he respected them. As a result, they often did not listen to him. They suggested that another person, possibly someone younger, should supervise the Canteen this year.

Nancie then brought up the fact that as disciplinary action, six kids were last year banned indefinitely from using the park. She asked if they could be given a new start this year.

Mr. Mohrman asked the kids to go back to their friends, as a Council, and come up with a tentative set of rules with which to run the Canteen. He said that if the rules are accepted by Town officials and the Canteen is reopened, it may be possible to outfit it with a jukebox and/or a pinball machine. He said that he wanted the running of the Canteen to be a cooperative effort between the Town,

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## Regents' Scholars Named

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1976 Regents' Scholarship Awards:

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## U.F.O. Lands In D.C.

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During the meeting, Capt. Lovell expressed his admiration for the U.F.O. members and their undertakings of the past four months. "What you are doing in Port Washington is the exception rather than common practice in many parts of the United States," said Lovell, "whereas in other parts of the world it is the general rule."

Along with Capt. Lovell, Dr. Keelor and Mr. Wolff spoke to the Port group and answered their questions. After the meeting, Congressman Wolff made arrangements for the group to attend a special session of Congress and tour the new F.B.I. building. They arrived back in Port Washington at eleven that night.

The U.F.O. is now close to reaching its goal of \$4,000 by the middle of January. The 24-hour volleyball marathon of mid-November raised a total of \$1,120 so far and more pledges are still coming in. More than half of the pledges came from Schreiber students who supported their

friends. On November 21, the U.F.O. sponsored another major fund raising activity--a "Battle of the Sexes" basketball game.

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## Sorority Formal

The two sororities at Schreiber, Alpha Omega and Aliga Phi, are holding a dance for seniors and juniors on December 19. It will be held at the Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury, Long Island. This formal dance, which will last from 9 p.m. till 2 a.m. is the sororities' annual Christmas Dance.

The chief organizers of the dance are the presidents of the sororities, Liz Morrison and Lisa Salerno.

The dance will include a sit-down dinner and a band that will play during the course of the evening. One hundred and two couples are expected to attend.

In order to participate, a boy must be invited by a junior or senior member of the sorority. The ticket price is thirty dollars per couple, which is to be paid by the girl. The remaining money, after all expenses are met, will be contributed to a charity. The "Adopt a Child" program will receive these funds. This program aids parentless children in finding a family.

The senior members may invite other senior girls, who are not sorority members, to be on the guest list.

The next dance that will be held by the sororities is the Initiation Dance in May. Sophomores may also attend this affair after a week of pledging.

## Students Continue to "Advance"

Schreiber is participating in the Project Advance program, which is being offered statewide by Syracuse University. This program enables high school seniors to obtain three college credits without expense of a college level course.

Psychology is being offered under Project Advance in Schreiber this year. The course is being taught by Mr. Strafino and costs dollars. Seven modules, or learning packets, must be successfully completed by the students. A test is taken after each module. If students pass the test, they can go on to the next module. If they fail, they can make up tests up to four times. Examples of modules are Psychology of Learning, Abnormal Behavior, and Child Development. Optional modules include the studies of memory, dream, and visual perception.

If all seven units are completed, a student will receive a grade of "C." To receive a higher grade, optional modules must also be completed. Grades below a "C" are not acceptable for college credit.

A student has the choice of taking this course for both college credit and high school credit, or just for high school credit at an expense. A student can receive a full refund if he drops out of the course within the first month.

A recent survey indicates that most students are pleased with Project Advance courses they have taken. The course is challenging and, according to Mr. Dreyfuss, requires a good reading ability. Although most of the work is individualized, students also attend lectures and demonstrations and participate in discussions in class.

There are thirty-one seniors now taking Psychology in Schreiber and seventeen have signed up for the spring. However, Syracuse asks for a minimum of twenty students per group. More seniors are urged to join. A course description is available in the guidance office. Next year, Mr. Dreyfuss will teach Psychology along with Strafino. Both teachers feel it is worthwhile - not only is it much cheaper than a three credit course at college, but it also gives students an opportunity to experience college work.

## Cabaret Commences

The presentation given by the Schreiber gymnastics team in the auditorium for Lunchtime Cabaret was a great success. Six members of the gymnastics team, Jim Cunningham, John Brzorad, Peter Schmitz, Alex Wade, Mike Siciliani, and Jim Olivieri all performed excellently. The demonstration, led by Mr. Edgerton, Coach of the gymnastics team, was given

during mods 7-8 and 11-12 Thursday before 180 students. Mr. Jones of the English Department was delighted to see so many people attend Cabaret as compared to fifteen people who came last week. Today, there will be a Christmas Concert by the vocal choir, and tomorrow, during mods 1-2, the concert band will be performing in the auditorium.

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Attitudes Investigated

Schreiber has been selected as a test school by doctoral candidate Renata G. Scinto of the Hofstra University Psychology Department.

The girls will be chosen arbitrarily from a group of two hundred names suggested by Schreiber's Guidance Department.

The decision to use Schreiber was based on two things: availability, and familiarity with the district. Schreiber's proximity to Hofstra was important to Mrs. Scinto, a certified school psychologist.

Mrs. Scinto, having received her Masters from Hofstra in 1974, is experimenting with the Thematic Apperception Test.

Mrs. Scinto will begin giving the tests after Christmas vacation. She'd hoped to start beforehand because of the great deal of time needed to administer each test individually.

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Schedules Again

by Larry Mishkin

Many students seem perplexed about the regeneration of the schedules this year.

Over the last couple of years, the faculty had been concerned about working out the relationships between 1/4 year courses, semester (1/2 year) courses, and full year courses.

In the past, the courses that a student was taking were frozen in various time slots. These would be left alone for the whole year.

The teachers became disheartened when students approached them with comments like "I'm John. You're my second choice."

In the new system, no courses get priority. All courses are reprogrammed into the computer and rescheduled.

The system of regeneration was developed with the Department Chairmen, who subsequently discussed it with the teachers.

For those of you who don't get all that you requested, Dr. Killeen said, "In the process of scheduling, you can't necessarily get everything."

This regeneration is something new and an enthusiastic Mr. Berry (Schedule Coordinator) said, "It's like September all over again."

No Gambling Rule Cancels Monte Carlo

by Mindy Taubel

Since September, the Junior Class had been planning a Monte Carlo Night to be held in January.

Mrs. Travis, faculty advisor, and Gail Sokoloff, president of the club, spoke to the principal, who said that he was sorry that Monte Carlo Night would have to be called off.

Harold Champol, Assistant Superintendent for Business, believes that there are more appropriate means of raising money.

Mr. Champol said that the administration had discussed Monte Carlo Night with the members of the School Board, who voted against it.

When questioned about the fact that there were two Monte Carlo nights in the past, both men claimed that the matter had never crossed their desks.

Gail Sokoloff said that she can sympathize with Dr. Killeen's point of view, but she is disappointed that he did not investigate the matter before he gave the initial okay.

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## G.O.'s Homeroom Attack is Misdirected

The Student Government and many Schreiber students have taken an active interest in formulating an alternative to the present homeroom rule. These concerned students, however, have failed to produce a workable solution to the problem, and negotiations between the Administration and the G.O. have reached an impasse.

We feel the G.O. is taking the wrong approach in its efforts to change the homeroom rule. The Student Government must recognize the dangers involved in a confrontation with the School Board over the homeroom issue. The negotiations must not be allowed to become a battle between two adversaries. Once the two sides are locked in combat, the real issue of helping students at Schreiber will be lost in the heat of the battle.

The Student Government should remember that the School Board has helped reduce the truancy rate at Schreiber this year by implementing the homeroom rule. If the Board revises the rule, latenesses and homeroom absences might well return to the same level as last year.

Perhaps the G.O., the School Board, and all student working against the rule could consider the following as a workable interim solution to the problem. When a student misses homeroom three or more times, his parents are contacted by Mr. Bartels. If the student continues to cut homeroom after his parents have been notified, then Mr. Bartels will have a meeting with the student to discuss his cutting problem. After the conference, if the student stops cutting he will not fail all his courses. If he continues to cut, then the rule will be enforced. Essentially, the punishment may be deferred under the condition that the student's attendance improves.

## Bartels Comments

This weekend, we, the editors asked Mr. Bartels if he would be willing to consent upon the Student Council's letter recommending the abolishment of the Homeroom rule. He responded by giving us a written summary of his views on the council's letter. His views are as follows.

1. The student council fails to come up with a viable alternate plan of dealing with students who are continually late to school without a good reason.
2. Students who finally receive "F's" in all courses are not "innocent victims". The rules have been well publicized. Warnings are given to the student and parents when a student is on the verge of receiving the "F's". The student still persists in not attending homeroom. The penalty is then invoked. Even then, the penalty may be held in abeyance on the condition that the attendance improves. Finally, the penalty is imposed when the student deliberately continues to violate the rule.
3. The rule was formulated only because students, in the past, violated repeatedly the rule to attend homeroom. They did this with impunity. As a result, accurate student accounting at Schreiber became an impossibility. This helped lead to a tremendous increase in class cutting and many students failed courses because of it. Other students may not have failed, but they did lose out on a tremendous amount of class learning.
4. I am concerned by the elitist attitude of the letter. Some students have a lot of difficulty attending classes and obeying the rules of the school.

When the administration takes steps to improve the situation, the student council objects. Its attitude seems to be, "Let those students continue in their own ways. If they are irresponsible, if they cut classes, if they are not getting a good education, it is their fault. It is not up to the school authorities to take steps to change the situation".

5. Finally, I'd like to comment on the negative attitude of the student council. There are so many good things the council could be doing, such as:
  1. Improvement of the school grounds.
  2. Improvement of the conditions in the cafeteria.
  3. Ways and means of preventing false fire alarms.
  4. Ways and means of minimizing damage to the building.
 A good example of what could be done is the tremendous clean-up campaign done by the students who hang out in the back smoking area. I only hope that this clean-up will continue and that the student council might look to this group for leadership.

## Holiday Spirit Invades Smoking Lounge

Every once in a while something happens at Schreiber which helps bring members of the school community together. Last Friday, the efforts of certain students helped to unite people and to once again bring a little life into this school.

The fifty or sixty students who beautified the smoking lounge last week brought spirit and energy to that area, to other areas, and to people in the school. They brought in and decorated a huge Christmas tree and put up signs and wall hangings. Mr. Whitney came down to help, and crowned the tree with a star. Steve Maziejka, one of the custodians, gave the kids a Christmas card to show his appreciation, and hung it on the wall. A group of students brought boxes of cookies down and put them under the tree. Bartels brought candy canes to hang on the tree. Most importantly, students who had not been in the smoking lounge came there last week to share with these students. That, in itself, made what happened that day incredibly special.

What these Schreiber students did last Friday was of great significance. If you have not been down there to share what is happening, go now. Work of this kind at this school is particularly important right now. It is beautiful to see how far a little energy and spirit can go.

## Separate And Unequal

For several years, the students of Schreiber have been victims of a problem in the school's curriculum. That problem is the under-emphasis of the humanities, English, social studies, and foreign language.

The mathematics and science departments offer year honors courses which can be taken throughout a student's stay at Schreiber. The only honors courses available in the humanities are advanced placement courses which can only be taken for one and sometimes two of the student's three years here.

The difference in facilities is remarkable. The science department especially has extensive equipment and resources, including a computer. Could equal facilities be arranged for the other departments? The English department could use a real library rather than the inadequate resource center now in use. A writing "lab" could be established to improve a student's skills. In the language department more extensive audio-visual techniques could be employed to increase the student's ability to handle language. Programs could be centered on materials from newspapers and recent publications which come from foreign countries.

The curriculum, though, seems to have been established with a desire for the student to have education in the humanities. English is required for years the social studies for all but the senior year. Still most humanities courses only run six to eight mods a week while math and science courses run from ten to fifteen mods a week.

This problem of under-emphasis of the humanities should be dealt with soon. Also, many colleges stress the humanities over math and science. We do not desire that. However, we would like to see the humanities brought up to par with the other departments in the school. Until this is done, an important part of the Schreiber student's education will be inadequate.

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# Tau Beta, 'We Do'

by C. Sokoloff

"Not many people hang together, we do." This is a description of Schreiber fraternity Tau Beta Epsilon, an organization which few people know much about.

Tau Beta Epsilon was formed in the early 1950's. The fraternity is still working today and is involved in various activities throughout the year. Each year a Christmas dance is held. The fraternity alumni organize the dance which is held at the American Legion Hall. All fraternity members are invited and many bring dates. Dress is casual, food and drinks are served, and people can dance to the music of a live band. On summer days, years ago, the fraternity raised \$800 for the Richard Iannucci Fund.

To raise money for the fraternity, jackets and T-shirts with the Tau Beta Epsilon insignia are sold. According to one member, dues are about \$1.00 a week.

Officers were elected at the beginning of the year. Steve Blasucci is president, Alex Picardi is vice-president, and Tom De'rasmo is the "moneymen". The 27 members attend weekly meetings at the president's house. To join Tau Beta, the prospective member pledges for two weeks. During this time, he must "do anything you're asked." Next, a five hour initiation is performed. After the initiation, the person becomes an official member of Tau Beta Epsilon.



Tau Betans assemble in Manorhaven

Last year, most of the group spent nights at the Teen Canteen where they played pingpong and cards. The Canteen failed to reopen this year and many of the kids have been hanging out on the streets at night. Representatives from Tau Beta along with other students are now involved with negotiations with school and town officials about reopening the Canteen.

On Thursday, some people in the fraternity said that if the Canteen could be reopened, they would stop vandalizing the smoking lounge. The following day, a group of kids, some of them Tau Beta members, swept the floor, put coffee cans out as

ash trays, and straightened out the tables in the smoking lounge. People, who had never been down there before came down to the lounge to "see what was going on." A Christmas tree was brought in and decorated with tinsel and lights, and decorations were put up around the rest of the lounge.

According to one member of the fraternity, "Tau Beta is not as bad as people think it is. Mostly it's a group of guys who are friends." Most of the kids in the fraternity have grown up together in Manorhaven and have a real sense of loyalty toward each other.

# Cafeteria Cleaners

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signed it thought that the aides were more valuable when working in the instructional program than they would be if they were cleaning the cafeteria. It also suggested alternate methods of dealing with the presently existing mess.

One suggestion included was that the Student Government "police" the cafeteria. This suggestion was intended to alleviate the problem of students using cafeteria facilities and leaving without cleaning up.

It was also suggested that everyone live with the mess. This was considered by those who signed the petition to be better than detracting from the instructional program. Most teachers thought that the probable deterioration of the educational program would be too great a sacrifice for a clean cafeteria.

### No Action on Proposals

In addition, the petition contained the proposal that the profits secured by the Schreiber snack bar be used to pay for additional custodial services. Custodians would be employed specifically for the purpose of cleaning the cafeteria. The idea behind this proposal was that the availability of the snack bar is a key factor in the production of the messy cafeteria.

The first two proposals have not yet received a reaction. Mrs. Tarpey, the director of the Port Washington Food Service Organization, said that the Schreiber cafeteria is not an entity in and of itself, but is an important part of the entire Food Service Organization. The material for this organization is bought in bulk, and the money from all district schools is pooled for the organization's use. Furthermore, she said that very little profit is made at Schreiber, and the Food Service Organization is just able to make it through each month. It would be "faulty and costly," she claimed, to run a food service operation out of each school.

Dr. Killeen also devised a possible solution to the problem. He suggested to the Student Government that it hire a student to clean the cafeteria for four hours a day during the second semester. He proposed that this student be paid \$2.25 an hour. This would amount to \$9 a day and \$810 for the entire period. It was his idea that the Student Government, the Administration and the profits from the Schreiber cafeteria could all be sources of one third of this money. He said that possibly Mrs. Tarpey will be willing to supply \$270 for this twenty week period in order to keep the cafeteria clean. He added that he had initially offered the proposal to the Student Government in the hope that he would be able to go to the other sources already having a third of the money. He said that he has not yet received a response from the Student Government.

# Manorhaven Retreat

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the Teen Council, and the rest of the kids. As Steve Iannucci phrased it, "Everybody has to do their part."

On Friday, December 12, after decorating the smoking lounge, thirty kids, led by the Teen Council, met with Dean of Students Al Whitney to discuss the meeting with Mohrman and write a tentative set of rules for the Canteen. The final suggestions were: no smoking inside the Canteen, no drinking, no gambling, no bad language, cooperation by all in keeping the place clean, and admission granted to people only between the ages of 13 and 19 years old.

Each person between the ages of 13 and 19 who lives in the Manorhaven area and wishes to belong to the Canteen will be given an I.D. card and a guest pass. Anyone may come as a guest if accompanied by a member. There are presently about 70 kids who wish to be members of the Canteen. It was agreed that if anyone ignores the rules, his or her membership should be suspended for the day. Louise Petito commented, "There should be no favoritism. If you are out, you are out. Even the big guys should get kicked out."

The kids and Mr. Whitney also talked about getting someone new to supervise the Canteen. Mr. Whitney commented that "What you need is a guy who understands kids; someone who won't look down his nose at everything you do, but will give you a kick in the butt when you need it."

On Tuesday, December 16, eight members of the Teen Council met with Mr. Mohrman, Dr. Killeen, Mr. Whitney, Gus Potter and two others from the Town of North Hempstead Youth Services Department, and two Manorhaven Park officials. The eight - Nancie Garcia, Nicky Gaudioso, Michael Giacobbe, Steve Greany, Steve Iannucci, Mario Mauro, Louise Petito, and Andrea Wiessen - submitted the set of rules they had established for the Canteen. The list was accepted by the Town officials.

Starting sometime during the next two weeks, the Canteen will reopen from 2 to 10 P.M. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays on a trial basis. If enough people use the facility and abide by the rules, the days per week will increase. If things work out well it will eventually be open every day.

# Winter Concert Short, Sweet

by Michael Joseph

Schreiber's annual Holiday Concert was given on Sunday, December 14, before a nearly full auditorium. The concert featured performances by the orchestra, the concert choir, the varsity choir, and the concert band. Though the concert was all too short (it lasted for only one hour), it must be deemed a success.

The orchestra, under the direction of Dr. Richard Rusack, was the first group to perform, and it demonstrated, through three well chosen pieces, that it has the artistic maturity to be both subtle and assertive. Understandably, however, when there was trouble, it was with the subtle. For example, two delicate violin afterthoughts in De LaLande's "Christmas Symphony For The Court of Louis XIV" were rushed out of meaningful existence by an orchestra too eager to regain tempo.

The concert choir performed one song a little uncertainly before being joined by the varsity choir. A sort of "living quadrophonic" effect was provided as the two choirs spread out to fill the aisles and surround the audience with song. A particularly beautiful traditional, "The Holly and the Ivy," was



performed out of this set-up, as was an effective modern arrangement of "Jingle Bells".

The varsity choir remained alone around the auditorium to perform three more songs, most notable among them the well known and beautiful "Carol of the Bells" by Leontovich. The performance was accomplished with the kind of ease that belies the massive effort that must have gone into it. The choirs were conducted by Mr. Jerald Stone.

The concert band, under the direction of Mr. William Fish, closed out the afternoon. The brass section sounded a bit blustery at times but the band was otherwise in tight control of the complex "Hallelujah Chorus" from the "Messiah", by G.F. Handel. "Sleigh Ride", by Leroy Anderson, was performed with a nice swing, but some confusion in "First Swedish Rhapsody", by Erik Leidzen, spelled an unfortunate and uncharacteristic close to the concert.

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# Natural Outdoor Education Program

by Danny Parker

Last year the School Board decided that an environmental education program should be developed on the Port Washington School District's 17 acres of land at the Guggenheim Preserve. The money allotted for development, transportation, teacher workshops, and maintenance would replace the environmental education program for sixth graders at Ashokan.

Ashokan cost \$40,000, but the school district only allotted \$10,000 in previous budgets. \$5,000 each was supplied by Boces as a reimbursement for past Ashokan trips, and the Ashokan fundraising carnival. The remaining \$20,000 was supplied by the \$44.00 fee charged to each parent whose child was attending Ashokan.

The \$44.00 was used to pay the living expenses of each child for their one-week visit. The other money was supplied for instructional costs.

Mrs. Gina Dissosway, School Board President, said that the Board had to make many difficult decisions last year, and this budget cut was one of them. The School Board felt that the money should be spent on fixing and renovating the Guggenheim land. This land would be available to students from all grades at a much more convenient, probable time with unlimited restrictions. To date 55 classes have visited the land on class trips, all except classes on the high school level. According to some of the teachers who have visited the land, "As it exists now, the Guggenheim land is inadequate for any student older than the second grade." Even though it is filled with poison ivy, and lacking in prepared and natural resources, only \$600 has been spent on actual maintenance. A significant amount of money



(approximately \$3,000) has been spent on preparing the teachers with proper knowledge and information regarding the Guggenheim land.

In the meantime, the sixth graders, who had planned to go to Ashokan, had raised \$2,000 to help defray the cost for students who couldn't afford the \$44.00. The Parent's Council felt that this money should be used to help benefit the kids, an arrangement was made where the sixth graders would spend four days at the North Shore Junior Science Museum. Teacher Barbara Srebnik at Flower Hill School said, "The North Shore Science Museum was good, but it didn't compare with the learning experience of a residential community for one week. Ashokan offered sleeping, living, evening activities and often resulted in an instant maturity for the kids." The feeling among Mr. McGuigan and Mrs. Dissosway is that, "We all know that Ashokan

was a wonderful experience, but there were priorities." According to Mrs. Dissosway, "In the future we hope to develop the Guggenheim land, for all grades but we don't know how far in the future it will be."

The most recent conflict in regard to the Outdoor Education program is that the North Shore Museum costs \$3,500. This means that the Board has supplied the sixth graders with the remaining \$1,500. This money could have been spent towards Ashokan and thus, the addition or maintaining of Ashokan would only have cost \$8,500 or an .85 cent increase on the tax dollar.

The high school teachers have not yet made use of the land. In the spring, plans for the Biology classes to attend the Preserve are feasible. Unfortunately, according to Mr. Pollakusky, a chemistry teacher, there is only enough money in the budget for at most two or three trips by bus.

# Budget Problems

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But all other expenses will not remain the same. Social Security and Pension payments are mandated to rise next year. In addition, insurance, fuel, and supply costs have all risen. The contracts of Administrators, the Custodial Staff, the Cafeteria workers and teacher aides are all up for renegotiation. Even if these salaries increase only 5 percent, which would be 2.5 percent less than the increase in the cost of living, it would mean an increase of \$100,000 the present budget.

The cuts in state aid are one example of how the state's efforts to balance its budget directly affect the Port Washington School District. But there are further actions under consideration that would affect Port Washington and raise some very interesting questions. The proposed freeze of public employees salaries is one such action. This would result in a conflict between a state law and the teacher's binding contract which guarantees them a salary increase.

If no cuts are made in next year's budget, further expenses would add significantly to the tax increase which would already be at least \$1.25 due to cuts in state aid and salary increases. Budgets in the past have had difficulty passing. Considering today's economic situation, resistance to a significant tax increase is likely. The board will have to decide on the size of the tax increase and also decide if any cuts in expenditures are necessary to make the increases acceptable to the community. On the subject of possible cuts, School Board President Gina Dissosway stated "if any cuts have to be made, the Board will attempt to make them as painless as possible."

The Board will hold its first public meeting on the budget on January 13.

## Crocker Scholars

Recently, Schreiber's Varsity Choir has been engaged in numerous activities. Last Friday, it entertained students from district elementary schools. On Monday, the group sang in the Pan Am building, in New York City. In addition to performances, they are presently involved, along with the Orchestra, in their annual citrus sale. The money raised will be used to entertain the Welsh Choir, from the Lewis Schools in Ystrad Mynach, Wales. These students will be visiting in April, and the Choir plans to offer them tours of New York City, Long Island, and Old Bethpage. Also under consideration is a one day trip to Philadelphia.

## Choir Activities

On December 2, fifty-eight Schreiber students took a scholarship test. The Betty Crocker sponsored program includes state and national scholarships. The money awarded may be as much as five thousand dollars for the fifty girls and eight boys involved.

The two-part test consisted of a general knowledge question and an interior decorating. The first part took a total of thirty-five minutes while the second part took ten minutes.

The results will be announced early in January. Meanwhile, fifty-eight students are awaiting the announcement of the distribution of these funds.

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# Christmas In The Hangout

by Debbie Freed

photos by Kathy Hecht, Seth Hulkower and Michael Joseph

"See everybody come down to look at it--our great smoking lounge?" someone said. "You know why they all come?" Juliet Giacobbe said. "Because it's a miracle that happened here."

On Friday, December 12, Steve Blasucci, Tommy Casella, Nancie Garcia, and Mario Mauro arranged to meet with Mr. Whitney and the kids interested in opening the Teen Canteen in Manorhaven. Mr. Whitney mentioned that members of the school board would be in the school that day and possibly would stop to see the smoking lounge. The kids decided to show them a thing or two. They borrowed some brooms from the custodians and began a massive clean-up campaign. In less than an hour they had collected a



John O'Reilly, John Conway, Eddie Delaura and Mark Deleonardis.



Virgie Mauro, Mark Deleonardis, Nancie Garcia, Chris Luzi, Eddie Conway, Michael Giacobbe, Eddie Delaura, Marylou Salerno, Peter Young, Karen Mauser and Donna Demelas, finish the chain.



John O'Reilly, Ellen Krave, Lynn Fardelmann, Nancie Garcia, Joann D'ambrosio, Jane Lampus, Kurt Zoller, Chris Luzi, Eddie Delaura, and others, crowd around the tree.



Steve Blasucci, president of Tau Beta, pushes a broom to help clean the smoking lounge Monday morning.



Nancie Garcia, Louise Petito, Karen Mauser, and Donna Demelas work on the chain gang.

garbage pail full of cigarette butts, papers and trash. The picnic tables were rearranged, ashtrays were brought in, and the place was made "clean enough to eat in."

Four boys in the "Red Rican Racer" went out to get a Christmas tree. When they returned the fun began.

The smoking lounge was so full of people that it was hard to see what was going on. With money donated by kids and teachers a set of lights was purchased and strung on the tree. Construction paper was lent by the art department. Scissors, glue, tape, and tinsel were bought and borrowed. The doorways were trimmed with fringed foil and strung with paper chains. A huge banner hung on the wall outside



Peter Young, Michael Giacobbe, Eddie Conway, Mark Deleonardis, Eddie Delaura, Paul Greany, and Uwe Peter pose in front of the tree.

next to the tree, said "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year." Santa Claus was taped to the inside entrance to the smoking lounge beneath another "Merry Christmas." One resourceful genius thought of covering cigarette packs with tin foil and sprinkling them with glitter, and said, "It's the smoking area, isn't it?" The silvered packs were hung from the doorways and the tree. "Never thought the greasers could do it, did you?" said Tommy Casella. "The greasers are the only ones who could," some one replied.

All day people who said they "had only been in the smoking lounge once this year" came down to see what the excitement was about. Everyone was busy



Eddie Conway and Joey Garcia hang on to the newly arrived, undecorated, Christmas tree.



Steve Iannucci and Kevin Dugan follow as Ermo Bonavita and Jimmy Scott redecorate the tree Monday morning.

doing something, be it sweeping, decorating, or showing off in front of the cameras that were there. It was a party. Mr. Whitney thought that it was "the best example of kids getting together to do something for themselves that I've ever seen in the school." And as he walked out he shouted, "God bless you all."

At one point a group of kids went into the language office and guided Sarge (Miss Lundberg) in to see their clean-up job, with her eyes closed. When she opened her eyes she said that she was both proud and amazed.

Among the trimmings hung in the lounge was a piece of mistletoe. Jane Lampus stood underneath it and was kissed.

The excitement of what was happening spread throughout the



Mr. Whitney and Jerry Erickson hang stars on the tree.

school. A group of students began to clean up the area in front of the building. The kids who hang out near the auto mechanics shop started to clean up their area.

The tree was brought inside the school for safe-keeping Friday afternoon and carried outside again Monday morning. Again the lounge was swept clean by many willing hands.

Steve Maziejka, a custodian, taped a Christmas card "to the girls and boys in the smoking lounge" to the wall. Janet Walker, an outreach worker in the community, organized a cookie-baking campaign over the weekend and had the cookies placed under the tree on Monday. More than forty kids signed a thank-you letter to her.



Louise Petito, Steve Iannucci, and Nancie Garcia are caught with the goodies.

# Cagers Fall Short In Manhasset Tourney

by Danny Newman

Huntington's height and Port's lack of it paved the way to the Vikings' defeat at the hands of the Blue Devils last Friday night at the 17th Annual Manhasset Invitational Tournament.

Starting for the Huntington Blue Devils were five giants whose heights were 6'2", 6'4", 6'5", 6'4", and 6'7". Port's starting quintet of Alan Brown, 6'2"; Dan Brenner, 5'11"; Anthony Capobianco, 6'2"; Steve Moro, 5'10"; and Mark Pasquali, 5'10", just could not match up and were forced to play a variety of zone

presses and traps. Both teams were extremely tight as the game opened, and for two minutes it resembled something out of elementary school, with a multitude of forced shots and turnovers committed. Fortunately for Port, Brenner and Pasquali connected to give Port a 4-2 lead. Unfortunately, this was Port's only lead of the night, as the Blue Devils then proceeded to score eleven straight points and turn the game into a rout.

Huntington's 6'7" Jack Smolokoff, a tree amongst twigs,

dominated the game throughout the first half, grabbing rebounds off both backboards and scoring 16 points. Port tried to compensate for their lack of height by using a full court zone press. It worked two or three times, but overall hurt Port as 6'2" Juan Davis continually fed 6'4" Brian McKay and 6'4" John Mohlenoff for easy baskets.

Offensively, nothing went well for Port, though it was apparent that Coach Jessen had drilled his troops well in the art of chest passing. Port was complacent on offense, whipping the ball around the perimeter of the key like it was a bomb set to go off. Penetration by Port was definitely lacking as only Alan Brown and Steve Moro moved inside to challenge the big men. Foul shooting was another obvious weakness as the Vikings hit only 19 out of 36 attempts.

Late in the first half, Port trailed by as much as twenty points. However, two of Pasquali's long jumpers and good defense by Mark Brown and

Steve Moro helped pull Port to within fourteen, 38-24, at intermission.

The second half was a better display of basketball for Port as they were only outscored by three, 30-27. However, the chief reason for Port's inspired play was the absence of Huntington's Smolokoff, who was sitting on the bench with four personal fouls. Port never got closer than fourteen and at one point trailed by as much as twenty-three.

Alan Brown fouled out with 5:31 remaining in the game, ending all hopes of a Port comeback. The final score was 68-51.

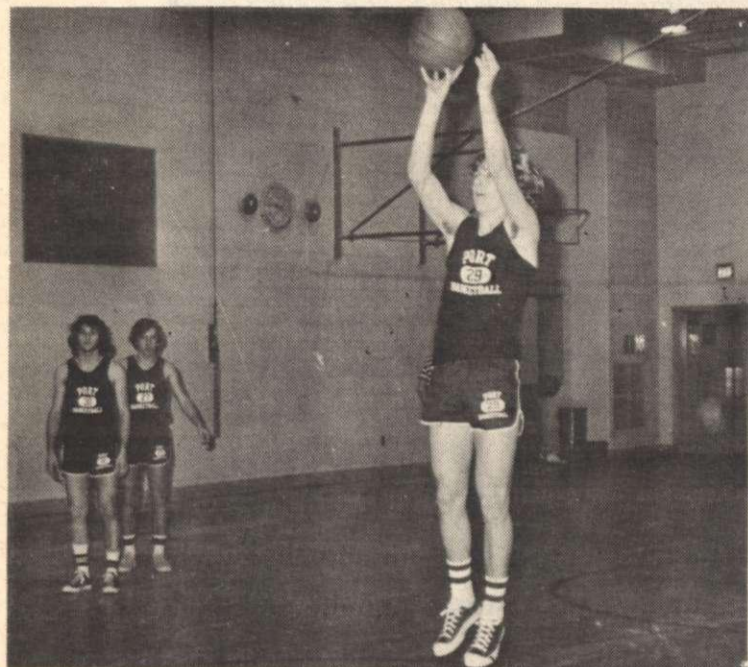
On Saturday night, things were different for Port. Playing in the consolation game against West Hempstead, Port led from start to finish, winning 56-44.

Once again, Port used a zone press and fortunately this time it worked. The press, led by Steve Moro, Mark Brown, and Scott Pink, directly accounted for 12 Hempstead turnovers. In all, West Hempstead committed 32 turnovers.

Offensively, Port tonight better than on Friday, but not up to potential, hitting 40 percent from the floor. Anthony Capobianco led Port with 18 points, and Pink hit on all five of his outside shots for ten points. Port's rebounding improved tremendously with Alan Brown snatching seven and Capobianco grabbing six apiece.

Defensively, Port looks good. However, offensively needs some help from the bench. Port, a small but quick team, should defeat teams like West Hempstead and teams that are big and slow. However, Port's true test will come when they face quick teams comparable to West Hempstead and runner-up in tournament, Manhasset Huntington respectively.

Anthony Capobianco, junior, was selected to tournament All-Star Team for outstanding play during tournament. His play during season will be a key factor in making the playoffs.



Pink on a jumper and Brown sinks a layup.



photo by Michael Joseph

## J.V. Hoopsters Hopeful

by Adam Ash

This year's J.V. basketball team, coached by Mr. Joseph Campo, is facing a year of change and challenge. The majority of the team is composed of sophomores who are getting their first exposure to the many facets of high school play.

A key man on this year's squad is Mike Held, the talented sophomore who sparkled in his freshman year, averaging better than 20 points per game. Joining Mike in the forward ranks will be Rick Goldhaber, John Gennusa, and Dom Bodolato. The Vikings are full of talented guards, led by Dave Merjan, Tom Fitzgerald, Bob Byrnes, and Robert Cipriano.

Mr. Campo stresses a hustling game which includes good defensive play. This will be a learning experience for many of the players, who are used to playing free-lance ball, with the offensive game being emphasized. Therefore, the team might be a little slow in starting, for team defense must be learned, and many of the players are getting their first glimpse of defensive play.

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## Astronaut Honors U.F.O. In D.C.

Members of Port Washington's Universal Gym Fund Raising Organization were honored recently at a meeting in Washington, D.C. by Captain James A. Lovell, astronaut and

Presidential Consultant on Physical Fitness and Sports. He paid tribute to them for their "pioneering efforts" in their drive for obtaining a weight training program at Schreiber

with the use of a Universal Gym. The meeting, which took place on November 15, was held in the Capitol Hill office of Congressman Lester Wolff.



Washington visitors in Congressman Wolff's office (from left); foreground Michael Madura, followed clockwise by Mrs. Carl DeMeo, Steve Suchman, Eileen Burke, Dr. Stan Cutler, Stephen Hampton, Russell Beckley, Jimmy Wright, Cesar Oballe, Mrs. Naomi Beckley, Congressman Wolff, Capt. James Lovell, Margaret Medlock, Danny Goldman, Bill Dawson, Bernie Fitzgerald, Chris and Tom Madura, Mark Nardone, Steven Levitt, Donna Marro, Dawn Mueller, Mrs. James Wright, and Mr. Tom Romeo.

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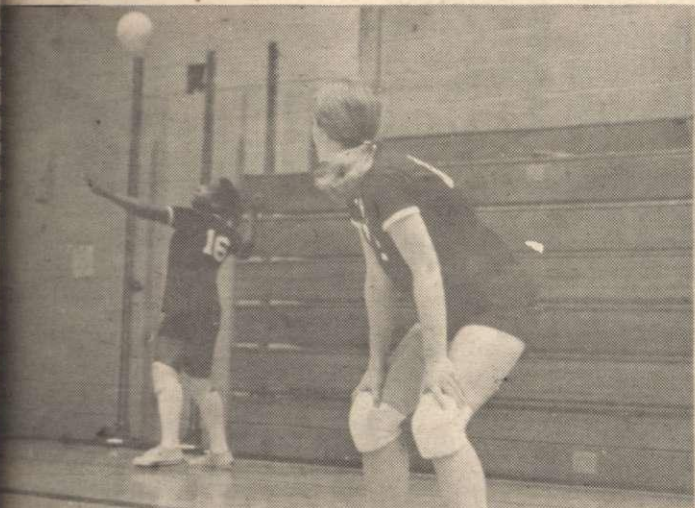
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Background Michael Madura, Dr. Stan Cutler, Stephan Eckley, Congressman Wolff, Mrs. James Wright, and Mr.

## V'ball Team Spikes Foes



Kyle Roderick

Schreiber's girls' volleyball team, under the leadership of coach Hulse, are in the midst of a good 1975 season. Varsity captains are Kathy Medlock, Robin Beil, and Juli Donaldson. J.V. is captained by junior newcomer Margaret Medlock. Port's success so far can be attributed to their knowledge of the basic skills of volleyball.

The major skills exhibited in volleyball are the bump, the set, and the spike. The bump is carried out by standing with the knees bent outward, arms extended in front of the body and slightly angled downward. The object of the bump is to hit the ball on the inside of the wrists and forearms. The set is accomplished by jumping slightly on the toes and raising the arms above the head to hit the volleyball with the fingertips. As the name implies, this motion is a set-up for another skill, the spike. By setting the ball high into the air, another player can jump up and forcefully hit the ball over the net in a downward motion which is often difficult for the opponents to return.

The Varsity team boasts able players. Robin Beil, Kathy Medlock, Michelle Bogaards, Jill Schreiber, and Carol Clarke are all returning key players. Captain Juli Donaldson excels at spiking and rounds out the team along with sophomores Betty Cosgrove and Rhea Farberman.

Margaret Medlock is J.V.'s captain and best cheerleader. Bev Dankowitz, Kathy Peele, Tammie Mahler and Oneithia Davis are some of Port's more talented sophomores. Jeanette Ward and Carla Pasquali are reliable players also. Juniors Grace Taferner and Laura Cit put in strong support for the J.V.

Varsity's performance for this season has been commendable. Port met Herricks away and beat them 11-15, 15-4, and 15-8. New Hyde Park played Port home and were defeated soundly, 15-9, 15-4. High scores were had by Robin Beil, Betty Cosgrove, and Jill Schreiber. Rhea Farberman and Betty Cosgrove turned in sterling performances. Another home game was won by Port when they whipped Garden City, 15-0, 15-9. Port competed against Glen Cove and won handily, 15-3, 15-11. Varsity met West Hempstead and won once again, 9-15, 16-14, 15-3. Jill Schreiber made seven points, Juli Donaldson served for nine, and Robin Beil tallied an impressive twelve points.

Like varsity, J.V. is also having a good season. They beat West Hempstead 4-15, 15-14, 15-1. New Hyde Park was felled 15-14, 7-15, 15-2. Grace Taferner unleashed all of her power during the game. Grace spiked the ball so hard on one play that the ref turned around at her and star ed disbelievingly. Glen Cove was defeated by Port, 15-8, 15-11.

photo by Robin Bell

## Pink's Picks Winter Sports Forecast

by Scott Pink

As with the now leafless trees, the Schreiber playing fields will be empty for the next few months because the Schreiber sports teams have moved inside for the winter. This writer (admittedly very lucky), having correctly predicted the records for three out of four of the fall sports teams, will once again attempt prophecy and impart to you some insights into the upcoming season.

Probably the most closely watched sports team is the small varsity basketball team. In other years the fans have eagerly watched such great players as Mike Griffin and Tom Brown, but this year's squad consists of mostly hitherto unknown players. Indeed, with the loss of Rich Spann and Tom Brown, this year's team will not have the offensive prowess nor the height of last year's team (which didn't have that much height); however, Coach Jessen is confident that the team will overcome these problems with their quickness and tough defense.

Only one player, Alan Brown, is returning from last year's starting squad, but the addition of several players from the J.V. team, which had a sensational 18-1 record, will help considerably. The team has a fleet corps of guards who will be used interchangeably throughout the game. Most probably some combination of three seniors, Steve Moro, Mark Brown and this writer, along with two juniors, the steady Dan Brenner and the sharp-shooting Mark Pasquali, will compose the starting guards. Bench strength will be provided by Jim Morris, Andy Cohen, Dave Reuter and Raynard Merriweather. The forwards will be led by the deceptive Alan Brown and Anthony Capobianco with Joe Plominski, Dan Goldman, Paul Dissosway and Dan Farberman providing much-needed rebounding strength.

The important thing to remember about this year's team is each player's number because the constant flow of substitutions will not only befuddle the fans, it will also befuddle the opposing players. Teamwork will be the key to a winning season, especially when Port meets teams like Farmingdale with that '6'9" terror (our tallest player reaches his armpit) named Jim Graziano. Although Farmingdale is conceded the league championship, Port does have a chance to make the play-offs if they can manage to compile a .500 or better season record. Whatever may transpire can not be predicted (I

wouldn't take the chance), but at least the team will be exciting.

Contrary to popular belief, there is a Varsity Bowling team that, in fact, may have had better seasons than any other varsity team, reaching the playoffs for the last thirteen years. The problem is that these unheralded champions hide out at Bay Bowl, sneaking out of the school everyday with their bowling balls hidden underneath their coats (you always wondered what that was). Actually, the team and its coach Mr. Hegi are very proud of their record, but are worried that they may not be able to continue their domination this year in Conference 1.

The team is led by sophomore Bob Hukill, who had a 163 average last year, and Lesley Wade, who had a 158 average last year, both of whom are co-captains. Rounding out the squad are four seniors, Mike Denicola, Mike Berman, Bob Bogo and Glenn Schmid. Though the team is predicted to finish third in their division, an early season loss to lowly Great Neck South has caused doubts. Coach Hegi says, "if we don't find the right combination, we will be in trouble." Yet, with the strength this team has exhibited in the past, it seems that it must overcome the early season jitters before it can seriously be considered a contender. The team will probably make the playoffs, but the season will be tougher than in previous years.

With only three returning lettermen, the Schreiber varsity wrestling team will face one of its toughest seasons. The tough and tenacious Rob Geiger, who will wrestle 119 and 114 weight classes, and the muscular and fearsome Jim Shorin (wrestlers are usually stricken with fear when they see him), who will wrestle 145 and 155 weight classes, will lead the team. The loss of division champion Barry Cohen until mid-January because of an injury will be felt by the whole team.

The team is basically young and untested with a good amount of potential. Coaches Busby and Mulada are shooting for a .500 season, but with teams like Farmingdale and Hicksville, this will be difficult to achieve. Besides Shorin and Geiger there are few proven championship wrestlers on the team, although juniors Bill Dawson, Willie Dumpson, John Marino and Pat Lough are looking impressive.

## Gymnasts Win Laurels

by Grace Taferner

The 1975 boys' gymnastics season has come to a close, leaving a note of victory in the air. This tough squad of sophomores and juniors fought together the whole season to win some very impressive titles.

The first of these was obtained when these talented gymnasts won the Division I Tournament. The individuals in this meet did not seem to fair too well but their efforts were rather concentrated on team spirit and the desire to win. The end of this meet saw eight Port gymnasts qualify for the Individual County meet at Herricks.

Junior Tom Murphy had an excellent day on the horizontal bar, scoring a 7.50, at that point his best for the year, which qualified him for the individual meet. On the floor exercise, all three of Port's

men earned scores high enough to qualify them for the meet. Mike Siciliani had a clean routine with a score of 6.90. John Brozorad and Peter Schmitz scored 7.70 and 7.80 respectively. The pommel horse seemed to be a troublesome spot for three of Port's top horsemen as they did not score as well as usual, but their scores were high enough to get them into the county meet. Jim Olivieri had an admirable vault and he, too, was seen at Herricks giving his all.

Port's next battle was at Long Beach where they walked off with the impressive title of Team County Champions. A slight confusion in the scoring almost lost this one for Port, but when the figures were retallied, the Vikings were on top. Captain Peter Schmitz placed second on floor exercise with a score of 8.30. John Brzorad also had a nice routine, scoring 7.95. Dennis Schiff had an excellent day on the pommel horse as usual, scoring 6.85 and winning the event. On the still rings, Mike Siciliani had a fantastic routine scoring 8.00 and taking first place.

On Saturday, November 29th, the Individual County Gymnastics meet was held at Herricks High School. This day, however, seemed to take on an atmosphere of disappointment as many of Port's qualified gymnasts did not make the grade. In this meet, the best gymnasts from all over the county completed for the chance to represent Section 8 in the New York State Meet at SUNY in Farmingdale. The top two winners in every event qualified, but only three of Port's men had scores good enough to put them in first or second place. One of the three, Port's Tom Murphy, had a tremendous horizontal bar routine, scoring a 7.75, placing second in the event, and beating his own record by five hundredths of a point. Unfortunately, Murphy just missed Schreiber's all-time record in the event by the same margin. Mike Siciliani, who also represented Section 8, had a nice routine on the still rings and broke the school record. Port's Dennis Schiff placed first on the pommel horse for the second year in a row, and he also represented Section 8. Although many of Port's men did not qualify, their routines and efforts deserve credit. John Brzorad had a personal high of 6.90 on the high bar and Jim Olivieri just missed a second place vault with a score of 8.65 in a run-off. At the end of the tournament, Port walked off with nine out of twenty-one possible trophies.

At the State Meet, all three of Port's men placed in their event, doing a good job under the pressure. Mike Siciliani had a good routine which earned him fifth place. Dennis Schiff and Tom Murphy each placed sixth on the pommel horse and high bar respectively.

Although some of the individual titles were a bit disappointing to Port, the team's collective titles were excellent and deserve mention. Port had a fine season, breaking five out of a possible seven school records and winning the Division 1 Dual Meet season.

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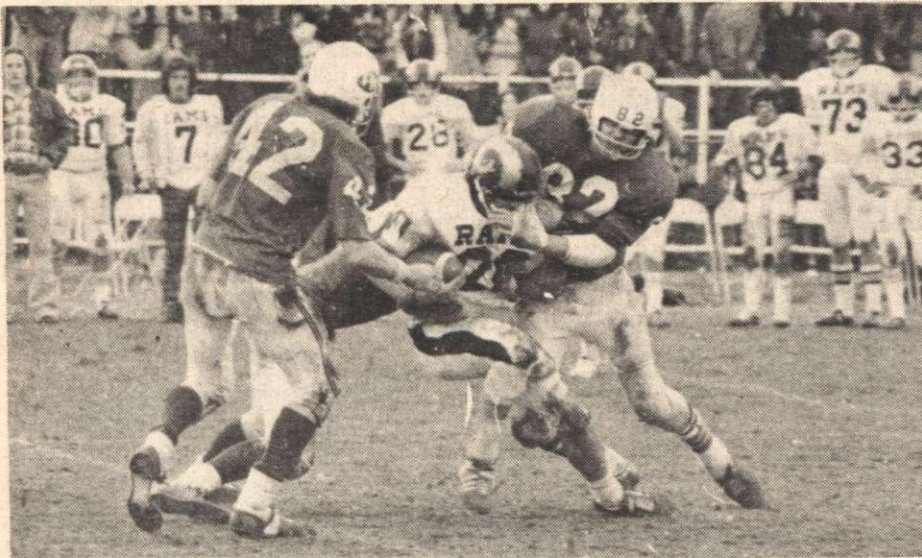
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## West Hempstead Falls In Championship



by Greg Shunick

With the temperature below 40 and a thick overcast, November 22nd looked like any other miserable day. This dismal atmosphere, though, did little to foreshadow the spectacular display of teamwork and brilliant exhibition of individual excellence which was to belong to the Port Washington Vikings as they defeated the champions of Conference IV, the West Hempstead Rams, by the score of 22 to 20 upon the gridiron at Carle Place High School.

The victory marked the end of the Vikings' second straight undefeated season, this year's record being 9-0-0 as compared to 1974's 7-0-2. The only team which had any opportunity at all to defeat Port was West Hempstead. It was the combination of a powerful offense which amassed 279 total yards and a strong defense that enabled the Vikings to beat the Rams.

### Vikings dominate first half

The decision itself was in doubt until the final gun as West Hempstead hung close throughout the game. On the first play from scrimmage, Roger Sexauer fumbled the ball away to West Hempstead on the Port 24 yard line. Sexauer changed his ways very quickly and knocked down a pass in the end zone on fourth down, stopping West Hempstead's first threat. Port took over on their own 7 but could not sustain a drive and was forced to punt. On first and 10, West Hempstead quarterback Brian Schulte proceeded to throw a pass into the arms of a diving Sexauer who slid out with the ball on the Port 49 yard line. The interception proved to be a key one as Sexauer hit Tom Rice with a pass on the West Hempstead 9. Following a 16 yard run by quarterback Dan

Plominski and Sentner dump Ram QB Brenner, Sexauer charged over the goal line for the score. Ryland Huyghue was thwarted in his attempt at a two point conversion and the score held at 6-0.

West Hempstead came right back and put together a 60 yard touchdown drive in six plays. Schulte was an integral part of West Hempstead's offense as he passed for 191 yards and harassed the Port secondary all day with his pinpoint accuracy. Following a successful conversion attempt, West Hempstead led 8-6. After travelling backwards from their own 23 to their own one yard line on a series of penalties, Port punted. West Hempstead then went from the Port 40 to their own 33 as a result of penalties and the defensive efforts of Bill Macioch and Bob Gladstone. Following West Hempstead's punt, the Vikings took over on their own 39. Sexauer then passed 32 yards to Bob Sentner to place Port in good field position on the West Hempstead 29 as the first quarter ended.

Early in the second quarter, Port ran into trouble when they were faced with a fourth and goal situation on the 7. Opting for the touchdown, Brenner snapped a quick pass over the middle, the ball fell to the ground, and a yellow flag soon followed it. The call was defensive pass interference and gave Port an automatic first down on the Rams' 5. Two plays later, on third and goal from the 7, Sexauer, dragging defenders with him, bulled his way in to score, capping a 61 yard scoring drive. Port led 12-8 and remained there as the conversion run by Dave Glasco failed.

Ryland Huyghue boomed his kickoff to the West Hempstead 12 and the Rams took possession. The Viking defense

held and West Hempstead punted from their own 5. The kicker belted out a high kick that came to rest on the West Hempstead 15 after travelling a grand total of ten yards. Port was unable to move but, shortly after West Hempstead regained possession, with less than a minute left in the half, Bob Gladstone pounced on a Ram fumble and Port took possession on the Rams' 19 yard line. The Vikings drove to the 6 but, with 14 seconds remaining, opted for a field goal attempt. Huyghue fired a beautiful shot that gave Port a comfortable 15-8 lead at halftime.

### Rams make comeback

The second half began in sloppy fashion. Neither team could move the ball and both turned it over. Minutes after Gladstone recovered another fumble, Sexauer threw an interception. Late in the third quarter, though, the Vikings came alive. Port had just taken over on the Rams' 40 yard line. On the next play, Sexauer took the handoff from Brenner, shot through a gaping hole in the West Hempstead line, and, with the aid of some fine blocking, ran in for the touchdown, bringing the cheering Port fans to their feet. Huyghue kicked the extra point and Port was up by 14 points, 22-8.

West Hempstead came right back five plays later to score. The conversion attempt was stopped by a great Viking defensive effort and Port led at the close of the third quarter, 22-14.

The Vikings held the ball for the first eight minutes of the fourth quarter but lost it when Huyghue's field goal attempt was blocked. Schulte again turned to a passing attack and sent West Hempstead in for the score with 1:43 left in the game. The score was 22-20 as the Rams set for a two point conversion attempt. The Viking defense only all too



Bob Sentner attempts to block kick

well remembered last year's 8-8 tie with Wantagh in the championship game and dug in. Schulte rolled right and was decked by Gladstone and Macioch short of the goal line.

Anticipating the onside kick, coach Dan Biro placed Sexauer, Glasco, Sentner, Rice, and Gary Ochenkoski ten yards away. Sentner recovered the kick and ran it back 12 yards before having the ball jarred loose. West Hempstead recovered on their own 39 with 1:37 left. Schulte then passed to the Port 49 for first down. On the next play, though, Jim Hylas dropped Schulte for an 11 yard loss. With 51 seconds remaining and no timeouts, Schulte got off an incomplete pass before being decked. Injured, he left the game, taking away whatever drive the Rams had. His replacement was sacked twice by Gladstone before the clock ran out with Port in the lead 22-20.

### Six Receive All-Division Honors

And so, the Vikings emerged victorious once again. Yet, there were more achievements to come. Six Port players later made the all-division team. Roger Sexauer, who led Port on

to victory against West Hempstead by scoring all three touchdowns and accounting for half of Port's total yardage; Glasco, who came on strong the season progressed proved to be one of Port's nimble backs; Jim Hylas, was forever opening holes making key tackles; Bob Cohen, who was sidelined with knee injury during the game against West Hempstead played spectacularly on the during the regular season. Bob Sentner and Tom Rice, two ends who were as effective defensively as they were offensively, all made the team. In addition, Sexauer and Glasco made the All-Nassau team. The final touch, though, came when Sexauer made the Newsday Long Island team.

Coach Biro can now look forward expectantly to next season. He has a seasoned squad of returning players: Ryland Huyghue, Dan Brenner, Bill Macioch, Gary Ochenkoski, Tom Morris, and Tom Gomez, and a group of players coming out of the junior varsity. With all this Port should have a fine year in 1976. Still, where can one go for up?

## Biro Coach of the Year



Viking football coach Dan Biro receiving Conference III Championship Trophy after West Hempstead game. He was voted Coach of the Year by the Nassau County Football Coaches Association.

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