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"You Can't Take It With You"



by Diana Bahn

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You Can't Take It With You, a comedy written by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman in 1937, will be performed in the Schreiber auditorium on Thursday, March 9 and Friday, March 10. To the serious minded students of Schreiber's classrooms, the Vanderhof and Sycamore clans may appear to be somewhat crazy. On the other hand, the theme of **You Can't Take It With You**, that of the entire Sycamore tribe working at their separate hobbies simultaneously, might not seem all that unusual to the average American family. Hunting snakes, throwing darts, attending commencement exercises and avoiding income tax payments characterize the activities of grandfather (Jeremy Mann) for the past thirty five years. His son-in-law (Bryan Broedel) makes fireworks in the cellar, while various other members of the family (Tracey Cahn, Stacey

Jurick, Debbie McGuigan, Joe Raduazzo, Peter Segall, Neil Silverstein and Chris Tortora) write plays, study dancing, play the xylophone and operate amateur printing presses.

The Sycamores live together pleasantly in a state of total chaos. The conflict and real humor comes when Alice Sycamore (Eve Coffee) falls in love with the son of a Wall Street banker (Brad Bedford). The cultural shock Mr. Kirby (Ken Zeiger) of Wall Street and the Racquet Club and his wife (Lane Lipton) experience when they walk into the Sycamore living room is similar to that feeling evoked upon entering the Schreiber cafeteria at noon.

The Sycamore philosophy of living according to impulse wins out over the staid method of proper living. Grandfather's truth, "So long as she's having fun," is applicable to any Schreiber nonconformist.

U.S. Gov't Aids Handicapped

The Federal Government has recently passed and signed into law an Education of All Handicapped Children Act. This law requires that every school system make provisions for the education of the mentally retarded, the blind, the deaf and children handicapped in other ways.

It also requires that these handicapped children be educated in the "least restrictive environment." This means that such children are entitled by law to a place in a normal classroom setting. If the school decides not to place a handicapped child in a normal classroom, that child's parents have the right to overrule the school's decision. The school then has the burden of proving why the child doesn't belong in the classroom.

As a result of this law, each handicapped child must have an Individualized Education Plan (I.E.P.) written for him. The I.E.P. is a written statement outlining the needs of the handicapped child and providing goals and specific curricula for the child. A planning conference is held to develop the I.E.P. Those present at the planning conference include the child's

teacher, the child's parent, the child, when appropriate, and a representative of the school district.

All of the handicapped children will have access to the same educational services available to non-handicapped children. These services include physical education, music, art and industrial arts. In addition, these children must have the opportunity to participate in extracurricular and non-academic activities.

There may be serious problems regarding the cost to the district in complying with the law. The district will have to purchase specialized devices such as hearing and teaching aids for these children. This equipment will probably be very expensive. Certain pupils may require special aides who will have to be hired by the district. The Federal Government will pay for nine percent of these costs. The remaining ninety one percent will have to be met by the district.

In addition to the above expenses, the district will have to make certain changes within several buildings to accommodate the influx of the

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Conflict in Port

Throughout this school year, a series of fights and confrontations has taken place between several Port groups. The situation has become a problem of such magnitude that Schreiber's Dean of Students, Mr. Al Whitney, described it by saying, "It's dangerous; it's truly a dangerous thing."

The main groups can be best identified as a group consisting mainly of athletically oriented Schreiber juniors who live in the uptown area of Port Washington, and a group consisting mainly of students from the downtown area of Port Washington, primarily Manorhaven.

The most recent major incident involving these two groups was on February 17, the Friday before the February school

vacation. This fight, which had its origin in a snowballing incident earlier that week, occurred at Baskin-Robbins on Port Washington Boulevard and involved as many as fifteen people. An employee of Baskin-Robbins contacted the police and at that point one of the groups left, ending the fight. The employee reported that the store's back door was damaged when it was knocked in during the fight.

During the following vacation week, fights were repeatedly scheduled at various locations throughout Port Washington and a reliable source said that both groups patrolled each other's territories looking for fights. This source also reported several incidents involving beer bottle-throwing. The first of these fights was scheduled for Thursday

night, behind Schreiber High School. According to sources from within both groups involved, over 50 people arrived at Schreiber. The fight was narrowly averted when one group, who could see that they would be greatly outnumbered, left just as the second group was arriving. On Friday night, according to Mr. Whitney and a source from the downtown group, a fight was scheduled for either the sand pits or the water tower.

This fight did not take place because one group did not show up. A source from the uptown group said that they were expecting a fight between even numbers of people but left when they found themselves outnumbered. An informed source said that one group had at least 19

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78-79 Teacher Cuts Announced

Plan	Total Teachers, Cut	Teachers Cut at Schreiber	Staff Reductions by Department								
			Eng.	Soc. Stu.	Lang.	Math	Sci.	Bus. P.E.	Media Center	Ind. Arts	
I	10	4	1	1	1	1					
II	14	5	1	1	1	1	.6		.4		
III	17.7 dec .4 inc* 17.3	6 dec .4 inc* 5.6	1	1	1	1	.6		.4	1	
IV	24	7	1.6	1	1	1	.6	.2	.4	1	.2

* Home Economics Teacher Increase

On Tuesday, February 28, at a work session of the Port Washington School Board, Dr. John Bierwirth, Assistant Superintendent in Charge of Personnel, presented the administration's four possible plans for reducing staff for the 1978-79 school year. The four plans differed in the number of personnel recommended for cuts.

Plan I included the reduction of ten positions districtwide: four from Schreiber, four from Weber, one from Main Street and one from Salem. At Schreiber, these reductions would mean the elimination of one English, one math, one social studies and one language teacher. In spite of the reduction of ten positions, the present student/teacher ratio

would be maintained, due to the projected decrease in enrollment for the 1978-79 school year.

Plan II included the reduction of fourteen positions: five from Schreiber, 5.6 from Weber, .4 from Sousa, one from Main Street and two from Salem. The effect of this plan differs from that of Plan I in the High School in that .6 of a science teacher and .4 of a Physical Education teacher would be eliminated. This plan would increase the present student / ratio from 17.67 to 17.90.

Plan III, Superintendent Hugh McGuigan's recommendation, includes the reduction of 17.7 positions and an increase of .4 positions: six from Schreiber, 6.3 from Weber, .4 from Sousa, two from Main Street, two from

Salem, and one from Kindergarten. This plan would result in an increase from 17.67 to 18.09 in the student/teacher ratio. Plan III differs from Plan II in regard to Schreiber in that a media teacher would be eliminated and .4 of a Home Economics teacher would be added in Plan III.

Plan IV includes the reduction of 24 positions districtwide: seven from Schreiber, 6.2 from Weber, 1.4 from Sousa, two from Main Street, two from Salem, one from Guggenheim, one from Flower Hill, one from Daly, one from Manorhaven, and 1.6 districtwide positions.

These four plans are only recommendations to the Board of Education.

4 Win Preliminary N.C.T.E. Contest

On February ninth, forty-three Schreiber juniors gathered together to write impromptu essays for the preliminary part of the N.C.T.E. (National Council of Teachers of English) competition. From these forty-three entrants, four were chosen by a committee of five English teachers, to represent Schreiber in the nation-wide competition.

The four winners were Andy Davilman, Cathy Hiller, Dorri Olds and Alan Parker. The five teachers who made up the committee were Mrs. Lawrence, Miss Haugaard, Mrs. Patt, Mr. Ham-

burger and Mr. Broza. Mr. Broza said that the first consideration in the evaluation of a student's work was technical excellence. A paper with several major grammatical mistakes was discarded almost immediately.

Other criteria were organization, creativity and generally good writing style.

For the competition, each student had to write an impromptu

essay in a limited amount of time and had to submit an example of his best writing. Both samples of the student's writing were considered in making the decision.



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Title IX Acts on Inequality

On Wednesday, March 15, at 9 a.m., the Schreiber Title IX Building Committee will meet with Principal Swaab to discuss the changes needed in order to achieve completely equal treatment of both sexes by the Schreiber Guidance Department.

Topics under consideration will be testing of female students to uncover their potential and career awareness programs to inform them more completely of opportunities open to them. This meeting will deal with just one of the three mandates of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. The two others concern athletics (equality in programs and use of facilities must be achieved) and classroom treatment (which must also be equal). In compliance with the law, a Self Evaluation Committee was formed last year, in order to determine the specific changes needed in the three areas.

This committee, which was composed of administrators, teachers, students and community members, completed their report last spring. It was submitted by the district, and made possible the next legal step, formation of the Title IX Building Committee.

The Building Committee was organized in September. The Committee is headed by Dr. Swaab, and composed of Ms.

Dufour, Meryl Hershman, and several other teachers and students. Although they have been meeting once a month, Mrs. Dufour said, "We are looking forward to a time when Port Washington can have a constantly working task force." Currently, one of their major problems is lack of individual and community awareness. Student participation is encouraged, yet, remarked Hershman, many students do not know what Title IX is.

The members of the Title IX Building Committee are working on a number of other plans that are not specifically required by law. Eventually they hope to include the contributions of women to history and literature in all aspects of the program. Another idea that is being considered by the committee is a Schreiber Commemorative Day, something that has been done at several other Long Island schools with comparative success. This would involve a day set aside for presentations of art, music, theater and several other fields demonstrating the accomplishments and concerns of women. All students would be excused from classes to enable them to spend the day at as many presentations as they would care to.

Changes Released by Board

The administration recently released a report detailing the effects of the changes the School Board made in the high school program last year. The changes included an increase in the amount of time spent in English and foreign language classes from six to eight mods a week, a change from quarterly electives to semester scheduling, a change in the scheduling of art courses from a few long periods to more shorter periods, a reorganization of the music schedules and the introduction of "balance" into the schedules of sophomores and juniors. Balance means that students do not have more than four consecutive unstructured mods at a time, excluding lunch.

According to the report, these changes helped to increase the conflict rate school-wide from ten per cent to twenty-five per cent. Because of the change to semester scheduling, there are fewer English and social studies courses, so the conflict rate in these departments decreased. The report also said that while "the date relating to this is incomplete . . . a summer school for Port Washington youth must be given serious consideration." Among the reasons why a summer school may be needed are "the isolation of Port Washington from regional summer school centers . . . the provision for remediation for students who failed demanded Basic Competency exams, and the increase of structured time which reduces tutorial assistance given many students."

The balance requirement "resulted in a negative effect on

some areas of the program because of overloading of students in some classes and underloading in others." In other words, the report says that the School Board's requirement that student's schedules be balanced caused some sections of a given course to have more students than other sections.

Mr. Berry, an Assistant Principal at Schreiber, said that the actual impact of the balance requirement is difficult to determine because many factors affect the construction of the schedules. For example, there are students who must be let out early to go to work after school; many courses must be scheduled at certain times because they are taught by "partial" teachers who are not always in the building and provisions for teachers' and students' lunches must be made. He also said that "if it seems in the best interest of the program, the Guidance Department may change a course a student has selected (to a different course the student may not want) if a counselor would see a student who would benefit."

Miss Lundberg, Chairman of the Language Department, when asked if she thought the changes made in the language program were beneficial, said, "I think not." She said that there are too many students to permit the use of small groups, particularly in the conversation classes. Also, the increase in structured time diminishes the time teachers are able to spend in the resource center helping students and she believes the resource center time is more beneficial than class time to

language students.

Mr. Hurlley, the Chairman of the Art Department, said that the changes made in his department have essentially removed the benefits which modular scheduling brought. The most important of these benefits, he said, was the longer periods which reduced the proportion of each period used for preparation and clean-up. He added that for various reasons (including the increased student interest in academic preparation for college and the increase in structure time), enrollment in the Art Department is decreasing.

School Board President James Hassett said in a telephone interview that he thinks the changes made in the high school program "have been very beneficial, more so than the report would indicate." He added that students and parents he has heard from felt the same way. Referring to the increase in the conflict rate he said that it has become more difficult to schedule "art and what have you" but "in the principal departments the conflict rate has actually decreased." When asked about the effects of the balance requirement, he said that the report did not provide enough specific statistical information for him to believe there were any significant unwanted side effects.

Mr. Hassett also said, "My own position at this time is I am reasonably satisfied with the overall performance of the High School system." However, he said that if any further changes were to be made, he would "lean toward (adding) more structure time."

Teachers Trip

This year, during the April and summer vacations, several trips to various parts of the world are being sponsored by Schreiber teachers. In most cases, the trips are for specific classes or students, but a few are open to any students who want to go.

English teacher Mr. Broza is sponsoring a trip to England and Scotland from June 26th to July 11th. The trip is geared towards those interested in literature, especially students of Shakespeare, but the trip is open to all students. Some of the main attractions will be theatrical performances, and visits to Cambridge, Wales, and Stirling Castle.

Language teacher Mr. Acevedo

is running a trip to Spain from April 15-23. The trip is open to all students, but is directed towards Spanish students. The travellers will tour the cities of Madrid, Toledo, Malaga and Granada. The total cost of \$509 will cover lodging, transportation, food and sightseeing tours.

European History teacher Mr. Kovach will take a tour through Europe during Spring vacation. The tour will include Brussels, Paris and London. The trip is open to present and former students of Mr. Kovach's courses, and will cost \$625. Some of the highlights of the trip will include visits to Notre Dame, Versailles Palace, Waterloo and Buckingham Palace.

Aid For Handicapped

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handicapped. Superintendent for Business Hal Champol mentioned a few of the probable changes, which include the construction of ramps and wider doorways, installation of lower drinking fountains and telephones and the construction of special lavatory facilities. Also mentioned was the installation of portable lab tables and special equipment.

According to Mr. Champol, one of the options currently being discussed involves bussing all the handicapped children to one school in order to keep the cost of construction to a minimum. He also suggested that one junior high school be modified for the handicapped instead of changing both Weber and Sousa.

A recent conversation with a Port Washington teacher revealed certain problems with the new law. Speaking from actual class experience with a handicapped child, this teacher believes that the district lacks the funds needed to place these children in the "least restrictive environment." This teacher thinks "class size would have to be reduced to fewer than twenty students" in order to provide the attention that the handicapped need without detracting from the education of the other children. In addition the teacher stated, "a great amount of time goes into the meetings for the I.E.P. and leaves less time for planning the curriculum for the other students."

GO Exchange Set Up

Students from Roslyn, Manhasset, Great Neck and Herricks have recently been at Schreiber, as a result of the work of the Student Government's Student Exchange Committee, headed by Cathy Nolan. On March 1, five Schreiber students visited Manhasset High School and the following day Manhasset students visited Schreiber. Future trips to the other schools mentioned are now being planned.

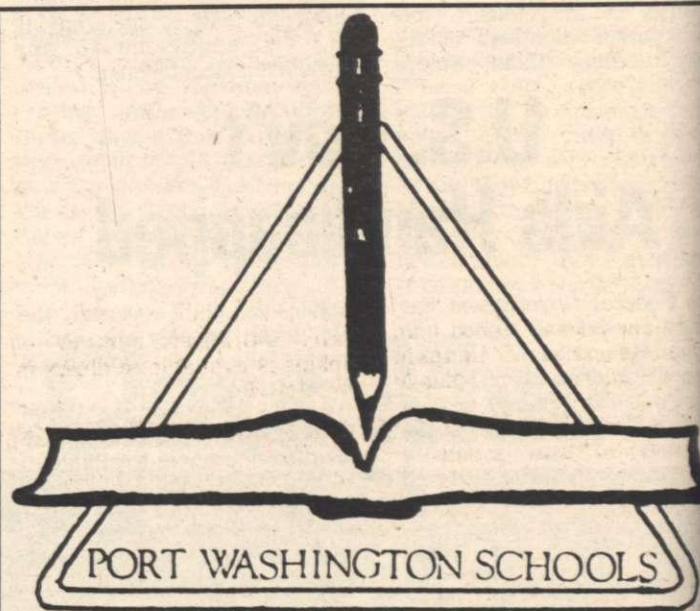
In other news, the G.O. has succeeded in helping to secure eight parking spaces in the parking lot formerly restricted to teachers. These eight spaces will be allotted on a first-come-first serve basis.

The Schreiber Carnival, last held several years ago, will be revived this year. Neil Silverstein is the head of the Carnival Committee. The Carnival, which will take place on May 20, will include rides, games, food and displays. An All-School Club Committee, headed by Stacey Ruchlamer, will work with Schreiber clubs to try to have them all represented at the Carnival by running booths. There is also a tentative plan to have a disco night for Schreiber students after the Carnival.

The second annual talent show,

"In the Spotlight," will take place on April 7. The show is being sponsored by the Student Government and Kaleidoscope. Anyone interested in performing in the show should contact Alan Parker or Stephanie Hall by March 25.

The School Beautification Committee, Action '78, is redecorating the Student Store. Plans include a new counter, paint job, and new candy display shelves. The store is now closed while the work is being done.



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This logo for the Port school district was designed by John Fasano. The logo was the winner in a district-wide contest and was chosen by the Board of Education in the regular meeting of January 17.

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The Mexican Chronicles

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Day 1: On February 18th, forty-three Varsity Choir members, accompanied by choir director Jerald Stone, eight other chaperones, three string players, and several relatives, began a journey to Mexico. We had been well-instructed in the Mexican social graces - we knew that we must refuse, politely but firmly, unpeeled fruit and ice cubes of questionable origin, as it is considered rude to contract dysentery in another person's house (we would be staying with students of the American High School in Mexico City); that we should avoid wearing blue jeans while in the American High School, as the sight of blue denim in the halls reputedly upset the students; and that we should not overpack by bringing rain gear, since the infinitely reliable Mexican dry season was in progress. We were also advised to avoid Mexican policeman, as it is not gracious to be arrested and sent to prison for life while under someone else's care.

We boarded our plane without mishap - this was the last thing on the trip which occurred without mishap. The musical instruments whimpered a little in the baggage compartment, but nothing was damaged, although the baggage attendants at the Mexican airport did seem a trifle lighthearted with the cellos. We adjusted to the altitude (7,000 feet) by

dragging our luggage across the airport to the American Airlines Lounge; our chaperones brought up the rear, picking up those of us who had foolishly become dependent upon oxygen while living in New York. We were met by our host families in the Lounge and driven off to various parts of Mexico City.



Day 2: Today we traversed Mexico City with our hosts in a pair of turista buses. We saw the Ballet Folklorico, which incorporated Mexican Indian and Mexican Spanish music and dancing; the Thieves' Market, whose wares included charms and herbs for witchcraft, U.S. records from the 1950's, antique European furniture, odd-looking food which appeared to be sugar-encrusted chilis and ashtrays and keychains decorated with imitations of American cartoon characters; the San Juan Market, where we were pulled by eager merchants into stalls lined

with shelves of identical belts, shawls, jewelry, onyx chess sets, pottery, and hats, and bargained with them either in broken English and Spanish, or by emptying our pockets until they were satisfied; to lunch; and to either a bullfight or the Anthropological Museum, depending upon our preference. The bullfight was held in what we were told was the world's largest bullring; the matadors included one of the top bullfighters in Mexico, and one imported from Spain. It seems that bullfighting was much more grandiose fifty years ago, or maybe the bulls that day were not very good. Occasionally the crowd would break into a chant of "Oles," but for the most part the excitement seemed low. Many of the people in our group were disturbed by the spectacle; at first it seemed incomprehensible that people should be so entertained by the death of an animal, no matter how ritualized, but the popularity of violent and bloody movies in the United States shows that we aren't much more humanitarian. The Museum contains a fine collection of art and artifacts of the American Indians, Eskimos, and Ancient Egyptians. The architecture of the Museum is beautiful, including marble floors and a tremendous courtyard fountain.

Day 3 - Today we started our grueling rehearsal and concert

schedule. We congregated at the American High School a little after 8 A.M., at which time we noticed that many of the students around us were suspiciously clad in blue jeans. After a rehearsal of several hours we gave two concerts for the students (an amplifier for the electric guitar arrived just in time but a double bass, the other piece of equipment we decided to rent rather than bring with us, was nowhere to be found), and then took off in our turista buses, on which our guides, for the second day, persisted in pointing out to us how Mexico was sinking. We viewed several buildings in Constitution Square and the Plaza of Three Cultures. The Spanish churches were impressive, although



rococo, with walls twenty feet high covered with gold leaf, fluted baptisms and wax figures of deceased saints. The bus ride ended at Delmonico's, a bourgeois restaurant in the Zona Rosa.

Day 4: Today the altitude, heavy activity, pressure and

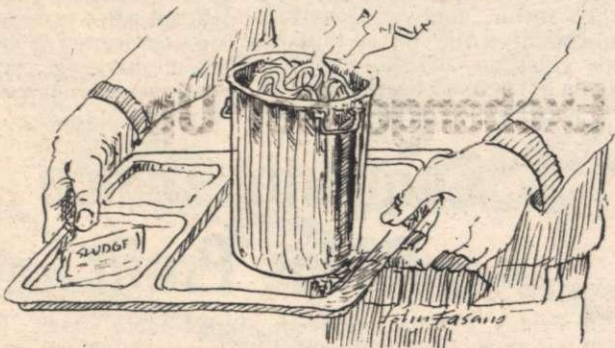
various diseases we'd brought with us began to claim victims. The day was fraught with losses of consciousness. We had another long morning rehearsal and two more in-school concerts, and then, at night, our final performance. We also had everything but dysentery. The pre-concert tension was extremely high; the dressing rooms were filled with chorus members madly searching for tissues and cough drops, scuffling over the precious bottle of Chloroseptic and soloists announcing that they had a rare combination of tonsillitis and sleeping sickness. Although there was still no bass, everything that was there was well-received, and Varsity Choir triumphed over the odds.

After the concert we could finally relax, and promptly did so. We leaped around the school parking lot for a while (you can jump higher in Mexico City) and then adjourned to Vips, a Mexican version of Howard Johnson's although less tacky and with better food. There we consumed tortillas and sang "In the Mood" for the clientele, much to the dismay of the waitresses, who stood in a row, glaring at us, and the manager, who paced and grinned nervously during our performance.

We split up at about 12:30 A.M.; it was then that some of us encountered a disturbing part of our

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Cafe Menu Changed



Complaints by Schreiber students and student government officials recently prompted student government action regarding the quality of school food and eating conditions. A committee led by Peter Segall met with representatives of ARA, the company that administrates the school cafeteria, to discuss changes in the menu.

According to Segall, the complaints were: a lack of variety in the menu (specifically, too much Italian food), an inadequate dessert, napkin rationing, and an attached plastic

spoon and fork instead of separate utensils. A prototype plan to sell "diet" lunches such as prepackaged salads has been discussed and approved, to offer an alternative to the starchier foods served at present.

Although it is conceded by Segall that some of the demands may sound frivolous, A.R.A. has agreed to take steps to rectify the situation. According to Segall, utensils are now appearing separately and once more a virtually unlimited number of napkins is available to diners in the cafeteria.

Bing Wins Award

On December 13, 1977, Eric Bing received the D.A.R. Citizenship Award for Good Citizenship. In Manhasset, at an informal tea, he and two others from the area were presented with their awards. They are now vying for the chapter position, and the winner of that is eligible to participate in the state competition. The winner of that is given a scholarship to any New York State school.

Eric was chosen by the Social Studies Department for his "outstanding contribution to the school." He was accompanied at the Award ceremonies by Schreiber Principal Dr. Swaab and Social Studies Department Chairman Miss Stewart. Eric said that he was surprised and honored to have received the award and thanked Mrs. Helfrick, the D.A.R. Chairwoman, for presenting it to him.

Grad Site Totalled

The C. W. Post auditorium, the site at which Schreiber's graduation ceremonies have been held, collapsed during the first of this year's major snowstorms. The ceremonies will now be held on the Schreiber football field.

If it rains on the Friday for which the ceremonies are scheduled, the date will be changed to the following Sunday. If it rains on that date, the

ceremonies will be held in the gymnasium, which will by then be filled with decorations for the all-night Gambol graduation party.

There were many reasons why the ceremonies were held in the Post auditorium: it was indoors so rain was no threat, it was airconditioned, there was ample parking space and it seated more than 2,500 people.

Millis Wins Paragon Oil Award

The Paragon Oil Student Incentive Award was presented to Andrew Millis at Schreiber High School on February 28. The Student Incentive Award, a fifty dollar United States Savings Bond, is presented to the outstanding scholar in every Nassau

County high school, provided he or she has demonstrated good citizenship qualities. Andrew Millis, who is ranked first in this year's class, according to grade point average, said that he was pleased to have been chosen for the award.

Conflict

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people ready to fight at the sandpits. The final confrontation of the week occurred on Saturday night at the Port Washington railroad station. However, no fight occurred at that time. Later that night, according to an informed source, relatives of a member of one group, who were standing near the railroad station, chased by the other group, and one of the relatives sustained minor injuries.

These recent incidents seem to have their origin in a number of events which took place earlier in the school year. As early as October or November, a fight occurred when a dog was placed on a cafeteria table by a member of one of the groups. Soon after this incident, a fight between two different members of each group broke out on school grounds, after some verbal taunting. Later in the year, just before the Christmas vacation, a major fight was stopped in its planning stage by Mr. Whitney. The conflict arose because of graffiti which was spray-painted onto the walls of the smoking lounge, an

area that was frequented by the downtown group. Among the slogans painted were "Jocks Rule," which antagonized the downtown group and led them to seek out members of the uptown group. A meeting was held with various school officials and faculty members and the two groups worked together to clean up the smoking lounge.

After the Christmas incident, the two groups shook hands and agreed not to fight. The situation was peaceful until January, when the lockers of members of the downtown group were burned and "The Phantom," who the downtown group believed to be a member of the uptown group, was associated with the incident. Although no retaliation was attempted, the incident once again renewed hostility between the two groups.

Mr. Whitney mentioned a similar series of incidents in Connecticut and on the West coast and called the situation "a phenomenon of our time."

School psychologist Dr. Crisci said that the situation is reflective of the violence and emotionalism of society at large. He said that financial problems and broken families bring students to school with many

more problems than in the past and that the frustration from these problems leads to aggression.

According to a member of the Nassau County Police Department and another reliable source, both groups have a long history of going to Manhasset to look for fights.

At the time this article was written, both Dr. Crisci and Mr. Whitney had asked the two groups to abstain from fighting at least until a series of meetings involving representatives of both groups, members of the faculty, Dr. Crisci and Mr. Whitney can be held. These meetings will probably begin today. Principal Dr. Swaab and Mr. Whitney have also scheduled meetings with parents of members of the groups, which should take place in a few days.

Sgt. John Salerno of the Port Washington Police Department said, "we have a duty and a responsibility to uphold the law and the Police Department will do just that." Sgt. Salerno said that if there are any more incidents, "we will make arrests. The Police Department will not tolerate people fighting in the streets."

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Editorial

Solution Needed

The violent situation between the conflicting groups at Schreiber has reached a critical stage. The problem is not restricted to the high school, but affects the entire community.

Yet, despite confrontations in local establishments, fights in school, and combatants cruising in cars looking for fights, many members of both the Schreiber and Port Washington communities remain ignorant of the explosive situation which exists.

Dean of Students Al Whitney and others involved with youths in Port Washington have made an extraordinary effort in trying to control the situation. They have spent their own vacation time patrolling the streets in

an attempt to avert confrontations between the groups.

The time has come for a truce, before the entire school, and eventually the entire community, is affected. These are not isolated incidents which can be dismissed with, "Boys will be boys." They are deep-rooted problems which will take careful analysis and positive action by school officials and the participants and their parents. School psychologist Dr. Crisci and Mr. Whitney are making concerted efforts to meet with both the parents and the principles involved. We hope that both the participants and their parents will take these meetings seriously and bring an end to the situation before someone is arrested or seriously injured.

Letters to the Editor



Dreyfuss Comments

To the Editors:
Teachers and students are often amazed at the amount of seeming academically motivated work produced by students the last two weeks of a marking period. This activity is ostensibly to satisfy pure motivation of a student's quest for knowledge and eternal truth. To this end, students have been known to approach a teacher of a course, that they were coincidentally running a 29 average in, the last day and innocently ask about what they were missing or could do as extra credit to show their genuine interest in the subject matter. It is obvious to all concerned that the grade has nothing to do with this question.

Unbeknownst to all (or at least many) concerned, there are ways of keeping this high level of motivation throughout a marking period so as to increase the golden opportunity for ingesting the wisdom of the ages.

Among the varied methods are: A) Beatings with overcooked linguini to increase performance (this is highly valued by gourmets). B) Offering bribes (a method brought to its rightful fruition by certain members of the Korean Government and members of Congress). C) Appealing to students' sense of culture, civilization and responsibility (generally believed to be non-existent or extinct trait in the current species). D) Varying the marking period interval so no one

knows when it will end (considered sneaky but effective).

Method A would be too much appreciated by the masochists in the population and I'm too much of a sadist to comply. Method B is economically prohibitive. Method C is useless and groundless in its basic assumption. Therefore, we are left with Method D.

Since no one knows when a marking period ends, there is no opportunity for last minute cramming. If the student wishes to pursue his quest for knowledge (surely not for a grade), he cannot wait but must perform at all times since there is no last minute that anyone knows about. This method would also force teachers to give more frequent exams and assignments since they wouldn't know either. The overall effect would be greater efficiency and overall output, a goal we all state is our overall purpose.

Sincerely,
Sheldon Dreyfuss

Times Corrected

To The Editors:
Last year's talent show "In The Spotlight" was a benefit for the student magazine The Cellar Door. The Student Government donated almost \$500.00 to the publication, with high hopes for its future success. As producer and director of "In The Spotlight" last year, I was angered and disappointed when I read in the January 18 issue of The Schreiber Times that "the

talent show idea was conceived by several members of The Cellar Door." I nor any other member of the talent show committee was ever a staff member of that magazine, and the Student Government assumed sole responsibility for the organization and production of the show. This seems to be another instance of the Times not giving last year's government the respect it deserves.

Sincerely,
Pamela Driscoll

Swaab Complimented

To the Editors:
This month is the first anniversary of Dr. Alex Swaab's arrival as Principal at Schreiber High School. We want to take the opportunity to thank him, our Board of Education and Administration staff for the improvements at our high school this year.

In particular, we would like to compliment Dr. Swaab on the improvements to the flexible Modular schedule, his discipline action with the abused smoking area situation, and his handling of the January senior dance.

It is most encouraging and reassuring to parents and students to know we now have a Principal who is truly involved with our children and their education. It is obvious the general atmosphere of the school has improved and school spirit is on the incline, which was long overdue.

Sincerely,
Mr. and Mrs. Peter Prudente

Forty Plus Graduate in January



January 26, 1978 marked the Schreiber's seniors. In a short graduation of some forty of ceremony in the Schreiber

auditorium, the early graduates were offered praise and congratulations by Superintendent of Schools, Hugh McGuigan; Schreiber Principal, Dr. Swaab; English Department Chairman, Mrs. Lawrence; and Guidance Chairman, Faith Cleary. The students who graduated were: Randy Balterman, Victoria Benzinger, Elizabeth Cappon, James Carr, Antonetta D'Amelio, Mary Caye Dover, Harry Farina, Terry Gotthelf, Andrew Green, Donna Groskinski, Gladys Guerero,

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Yearbook Sweepstakes

Set for March 17

A basketball autographed by the New York Knickerbockers for one dollar? A hockey stick autographed by the Islanders for the same price? These are only two of the many unusual bargains which will be available to Schreiber students during the Port Light's upcoming sweepstakes. The sweepstakes are a new fundraiser for the yearbook and will replace the customary auction. Prizes will be donated by faculty members; those described above are courtesy of Dean of Students Mr. Whitney.

Tickets for the sweepstakes will be sold for one dollar each beginning tomorrow, March 9, in the main lobby. Drawing will begin on March 17 at 10:00 in the cafeteria and will be held again at the same time and place on the following three school

days. The windows in the main lobby will have a complete listing of prizes. So far, among the prizes donated are two dinners for four by Mrs. Gold and Mrs. Ferris, an airplane ride for three by Mr. McIlhenny and a tape deck by Mr. Buckman. Port Light faculty adviser Mr. Broza said, "We expect lots more dinners, tickets, tapes and goodies."

Winners will choose prizes according to the order in which their tickets are drawn. The prizes will be selected at 3:10 in the cafeteria each afternoon after the drawing has taken place. Anyone who buys a ticket and does not win a prize can have his name imprinted in his yearbook free of charge by presenting his sweepstakes ticket when the yearbooks come in.

Computer Dance Reaps Profit

On Friday, February 10, from 7:30 to 11:30, the "Computer Dance," organized by the Schreiber G.O. along with the Student Governments of Roslyn and Manhasset High Schools, was held at Schreiber. Although the dance had the "largest turnout at a dance in five years," according to organizer John Marlin, this was only after certain unpredictable difficulties had been dealt with.

The largest problem the G.O. ran into was the weather. The week that the dance was scheduled to be held an incredible snow storm struck the northeastern seaboard, paralyzing New York and several other states. Although Schreiber was able to reopen on Thursday, the day before the dance, the Boston Airport was closed until February 14. As it happened, the company whose computer was selecting the matches was located in Massachusetts, and consequently the results could not be flown in half a week before the dance as had been planned. They were, in fact, received on February 28, two weeks later.

In theory, Schreiber's computer should have been able to speak (in computer language) to the computer of the Massachusetts-based company. However, since it lacks an audio coupler, the attachment needed to talk over the phone, this was not possible. As a result, John Marlin and Eric Bing spent four hours the day before the dance on the phone with someone in Massachusetts, writing down matches. The day of the dance, Marlin and Jimmy Devine spent

three more hours taking information. "There were twenty matches for the average person," said Marlin. For this reason, people coming to the dance received handwritten cards instead of the computer cards they were supposed to get.

The dance was scheduled to begin at 7:30, and end at 12:00. A girls' basketball game being played was expected to end at 6:00 or 6:30, but since it didn't end until 7:00, the band, instead of starting at 7:30, began around 8:30. The band, "Up All Night," had been hired through an agency, and according to John Marlin, several complaints that the band was not "danceable enough" were received. "They were very professional, though," he said.

The computer had determined the four people who received the most matches, and at one point in the dance, numbers were announced so that they could be given prizes. Only one of them was there, however, and since none of them were from Schreiber, the G.O., who only had the list of the numbers of Schreiber students, had no way of identifying the winners.

Despite these difficulties, the G.O. made a \$210.00 profit. By the night of the dance they had broken even, so all tickets sold at the door were sold at a profit. Since only two were sold at the door to people from Roslyn and Manhasset, that money went to Schreiber's G.O. The G.O. believed the dance was a success; as Mr. Cahill said, "It was the largest percent of people dancing since I can remember."

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40 Plus Graduate in January

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The brief ceremony was highlighted by Mr. McGuigan's invitation to the graduates to attend the Gambol and his expression of the hope that Schreiber had "prepared (the graduates) for an upbeat world." Mrs. Lawrence offered an excerpt from Edna St. Vincent Millay's "Renaissance" and reminded the graduates that "education is a continuing thing."

After the short speeches, Miss Cleary read the names of the graduates and Mr. McGuigan handed each graduate a letter of

congratulations. Miss Cleary, in a slight "faux pas," addressed the group as "the class of 1968."

As a closing, Dr. Swaab said, "On behalf of the Port Washington Schools' staff, I hope that we have touched your lives." He then invited the newly graduated group to a reception in their honor.

At the reception, sponsored by Mrs. Jan Havasy for the Schreiber Parents' Association, many of the graduates related their future plans. Most of the graduates' plans included travel followed by work and then college.

Teachers On Sabbatical

Three members of Schreiber's faculty have gone on sabbaticals this semester. All three, Miss Cleary, Mr. Romeo and Mr. Jessen, are using this period to further their own educations.

Miss Cleary, the Chairman of the Guidance Department, is attending New York University to complete her doctorate in administration. Mrs. Salzer is filling Miss Cleary's position as department chairman and is also working with Miss Cleary's junior students. Mrs. Artale, who was formerly a guidance counselor at Sousa Junior High School, is now working with Miss

Cleary's and Mrs. Salzer's students.

Mr. Romeo, Athletic Director, is enrolled as a full-time student, also at New York University. Studying under a federal grant, he is taking courses in Adaptive Education for the Physically Handicapped. Mr. Edgerton has assumed responsibility of the department chairman.

Mr. Jessen will earn credits at Straudsberg teacher's college. Ten credits will be in Physical Education and others will be in fencing, minton and golf.

The Mexican Chronicles

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trip. One of the hosts, a senior at the American High School, had offered rides home - when we got to his car, a small hatchback, we discovered that somehow thirteen people had to be squeezed in. We finally managed it, with minimal physical damage. We had not been driving long when we realized we were being followed, silently, by a car with bright headlights and a suspicious silhouette. Our driver pulled over, told us to get some money ready, and got out to talk to the police. The Mexicans in the car informed us that there was a perfectly good chance that one

policeman would plant something in the car and that the other would then search the car, find it, and cart us off to jail. To make matters even worse, our driver didn't have his license - he had to leave it with the establishment from which we had rented the amplifier. Finally, he returned to the car and informed us that a bribe of 200 pesos (about eight dollars) had saved us from being jailed for the night. It was his first bribe. We drove the rest of the way on back roads.

A few Mexicans explained the police situation in their country. We were told that policemen are low-paid, unskilled and often

looking for a way to feed their families. Sometimes a bribe attempt will insult them, but more often they go so far as to actively seek bribes. The Mexicans said that the police can be bribed to ignore practically everything, although they will ignore people who need help for free. They are also reputedly liberal with their bullets. The Mexican government in general seems dismal - we were told that the government owns all of the radio stations and newspapers, although American media are allowed across the border, and that the power belongs to one political party.

Day 5: Our turista buses took

us to the Shrine of Guadalupe (it seemed rather rude to join the other tourists in the church when there were Mexicans crawling down the aisles out of respect) and then to the Aztec pyramids outside of the city. If possible, the exurban poverty was even worse than the urban - everywhere, in the city and beyond it, were filthy crumbling tenements, families begging and cooking their dinners on the street, children playing in the broken stones in courtyards glimpsed through the narrow doorways of the single-story, brightly painted facades. Not far outside of the city there were sharp mountains, huge clumps of cactus, men chasing flocks of goats on burroback and small dry fields.

Everything about the pyramids was magnificent - their size, their endurance, and the fact that they had been built at all, without cranes or helicopters or bulldozers. Munching on Quince Newtons and swilling Boing con Fruta, most of us made it to the top of the Pyramid of the Sun, where we ate lunch, performed a mock sacrifice with a scalpel-shaped nail file, and looked down at the ruined Aztec stonework and the mist-covered ring of mountains. Everywhere in Mexico, especially here and at the Anthropological Museum, we were reminded of the terrible loss

that had resulted from destruction of the Indian culture.

That afternoon it rained much for the Mexican season, but we shouldn't expect any better - after all, we were there. By nighttime the Mexicans were beginning to contract the Russian flu which had brought with us. The party was highlighted by stalling of a host's car on railroad tracks. We realized ourselves to the fact that we were not meant to live in Mexico City, or that it was all done in mirrors, or both.

Day 6: Those who were on to Acapulco for several days of vegetation in the sun left at 8 A.M. and the rest of us had to go to shop, visit museums, recover from the party, take Dramamine or do whatever we desired. After inviting the Mexicans to New York promising that we were much healthier when at home, the twenty seven students and two chaperones returning to New York boarded a wide-body jet bound for Kennedy. The movie was The Little Shop of Horrors, and the food a bit unrecognizable than usual. We were too tired to protest, eager to return to United States air and indiscriminate use of cubes.

Viking Hoopsters: The Agony of Defeat

By Adam Ash

Now is the time to sift through the rubble which was the Port Vikings. A 1-16 record, including 0-12 in league play and a fourteen game losing streak, has decimated what once was the bastion of North Shore basketball excellence. The glory days of Tom Brown are past. It appears to be a time for "rebuilding," that catch-all of losing sports teams. And the Vikings were a losing sports team.

A review of the season might bring about tears or obscenities, depending upon the sentiments of the reviewer. At any rate, Port's problems can be traced to a number of very significant problems: (1) Lack of height. The tallest player, Darryl Graham, was forced to defend such giants as Dean Tallman (catchy name, huh?) of Hicksville, or the bulk of the Kirby brothers from Herricks. Mike Held at 6'1" and Rob Goldhaber at 6'3" offered little help to the 6'4" Graham in this department. (2) Lack of a ballhandling guard. Oh boy. This one really hurt. A typical

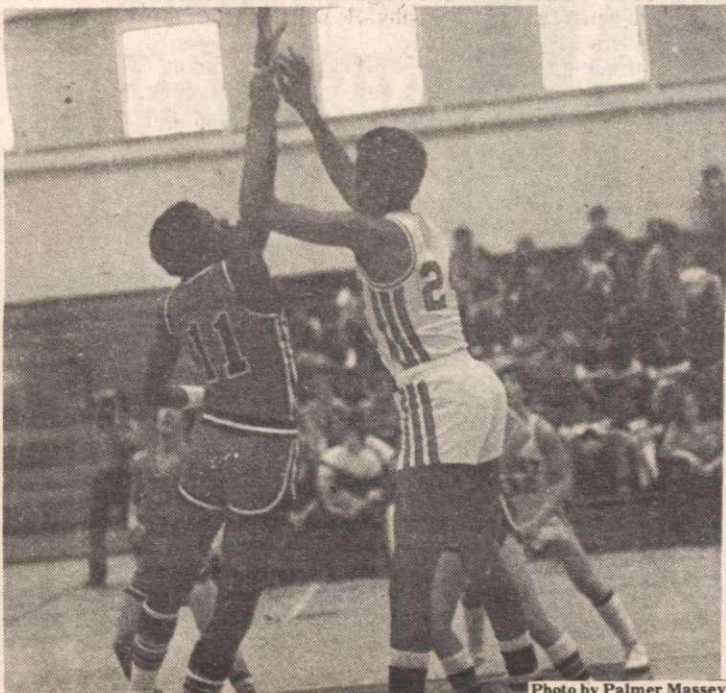
example was the Oceanside game, in which Port committed an abominable 15 turnovers - in the first quarter. As a result, Oceanside took 28 more shots than Port during the game. (3) No experience. Dave Merjan and Rob Cipriano were the only Vikings to play (or sit) on the Varsity squad last year. The others played either J.V., C.Y.O., or pickup games. The result was that the first half of the season was spent trying to learn what normally would have been picked up in organized ball the year before.

All this, coupled with the fact that losing is like eating Lays Potato Chips (once you get one, you can't stop) led to a very dismal season. There were a few bright spots which tried to glimmer through the gloom. Ira Wattenberg had an excellent game against Oceanside, throwing in 22 points. Graham, if he stays in Port, will be the nucleus of the Varsity team next year, for when he turns it on he is All-County caliber. Steve Spahn might develop to be the team leader which Merjan was at

times this year, although he has to concentrate on improving his ballhandling skills. Mr. Makover, in filling in for Al Jessen while the latter was on sabbatical, showed a lot of class while suffering under the strain of the disastrous season. However, unless a phenom surfaces from Weber or Sousa or Bill Walton decides that pro ball is too demanding, next year just might be a repeat of this year.

Oh, well. The players know better than anyone what it was like to suffer through this season. The attendance for the final home game against Hicksville rivaled the crowds seen at Mathlete matches and it started to get harder and harder to laugh at jokes made about the team. The only thing that Port sports fans can do now is wait for lacrosse.

This inexperience also led to the fact that Port did not know how to win. Games which were close with five minutes left would end up to be fifteen point losses. Good teams win those games. Poor teams keep those games close. Port got blown out (MacArthur).



Darryl "I can jam" Graham taking a jumper from the key despite opponent's attempts to defend. Photo by Palmer Massey

Port Track

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O'Toole, the former Junior Olympic Cross-Country champion.

The Executive Athletic Committee of New York made an unprecedented decision to waive a rule that forbade people competing in interscholastic meets to compete in AAU meets, so that Chris could run in the AAU National Indoor Championships held at Madison Square Garden. Athletes who reside in other states have been allowed to do this for quite a few years. Chris was fifth in the mile walk with an unbelievable time of 7:45, which is the 20th fastest time ever recorded for the event.

The boys' County Championships were held at the Hofstra Gym, which was rather anticlimactic after having run in

Gymnasts Victorious in Opener

By Richard Federbusch and John Stigi

Schreiber's girls' gymnastics team displayed some excellent grace and beauty in their first match of the season as they defeated Locust Valley 64.05 to 47.70. If they continue to perform this well, they will have no problem making this season a successful one.

On the four scheduled events, Schreiber achieved the highest total in each one. In vaulting, Schreiber won 20.90 to 18.35. In this event Helen Garbarini and Ilene Weintraub both had scores of 7.05 and 7.15, respectively. The uneven bars competition was close, but Port still hung on to a

12.05 to 11.45 win. Schreiber's balance beam event. This time they scored 13.75 to a mere 11.75 for Locust Valley. The team then concluded the match with a 17.35 to 11.55 win in the floor exercises.

Even though this victory was due to a team effort, Weintraub was without doubt the finest performer of the day. Spectators watched in amazement as she performed. She acquired the highest score in each event. Her composite score for four events was 25.75.

an arena as prestigious as the Coliseum the week before.

Upon entering the premises, one could not help but notice that one of the coaches, the Long Beach coach, to be exact, had the majority of his team lying on the floor while he went about trying to hypnotize them by telling them to relax the muscles in their faces, and similar things. Most teams prefer to use wintergreen to relax their muscles, which seems to work much better, since Long Beach did not fare too well in most of their events.

In the meet itself, Mike Nuz-

zolese qualified for the State meet the shot with a put of 56'4". Greg O'Keefe also qualified for the State's when he took the 600 with a 1:16.9 effort in addition to taking 6th in the 300 but was not "pushed" by competitors to a fast enough time to qualify for the State's similar problem plagued the mile relay team, consisting of John "Juice" Gennusa, John Tascone, Jeff Doughty and McConnachie, who also won the heat, but came nowhere near winning the event with a time of 8:57.9.

Distaff Dribblers Dunk 5-0 Record

By Dan Dankowitz
The Port girls' Varsity basketball team, now halfway into its season, has emerged as a full-time contender in all of its first six games. The Vikings have been outperformed offensively by senior Rhea Farberman and junior Debbie Beckford, and defensively by senior Carla Pasquali.



Carla Pasquali driving in for an uncontested lay-up. Photo courtesy Port Light

In their first contest against New Hyde Park, Port had an excellent first quarter, tallying 22 points. Beckford contributed 12 of those 20 points in this period. The Vikings' defense allowed the opponent only three points in the first quarter, six in the third and eight in the fourth. Beckford pulled down 14 rebounds and Pasquali added 8 rebounds and 5 steals. Port won easily, 43-27.

points in the second helped Port to achieve a halftime tie at 25 all. Things began to pick up for Port as Farberman put in 8 more to give the Vikings a 6 point lead going into the final quarter. They finally put it all together with a 21 point period and 4 for 4 shooting by Farberman. Farberman had her best game so far with 28 points and 12 rebounds, while Beckford put in 15 points and pulled down 18 rebounds, the latter being her highest figure thus far.

and Farberman dominated both the offense and the boards with 16 and 18 points respectively and 13 rebounds each. Sophomore Laura Vecsey contributed 9 points in her best effort of the season. Pasquali continued to devastate New Hyde Park's backcourt with 5 steals. After six games, Farberman has averaged 18 points and 13 rebounds per game with 14 points and 12 rebounds for Beckford. Pasquali is the team leader in assists and steals with an average of four each game. The team, under the direction of Carol Hulse, looks towards the latter part of the season with high expectations and an eye to the playoffs.

Grapplers Pin Conference Title

By Peter Prucento
Port's Varsity Wrestling team has recently completed its finest season in years. Its excellence was due to the hard work of Coach Busby and the time and sweat each member put out every day during practice.

rigorous from one tournament to the next.

Port took the Conference III crown, compiling a 6-0 record in the competition. In their Division I standings they placed third (3-3), behind Farmingdale and Plainedge. Port's all around record was an impressive 10-3-0.

Port had several medalists in the Division I Championships. Silver medalists were Mike Madura and Eric Fritz. Steve Basile, Kevin Clark and Chris Schreiber all brought home bronze medals. The Division Championships are very competitive and wrestlers wrestle against other wrestlers from their division only.

Port had many standout wrestlers with fine winning records. Among the devastating matmen were Mike Madura, (11-1) having several first period pins; senior-captain Steve "Ugh" Basile (7-3-1); Kevin Clark (8-3); Chris Schreiber (6-2-1); John Nahas (8-4); Ramsey Boehner (9-3-1) and Keith Weinstein (4-0). The boys worked hard and wanted a more than successful season very much, knowing how it feels to be on the bottom.

If a wrestler places high in the divisions, he is seeded in the All-North Shore Competition. Port wrestlers were placed high in the North Shores, but the competition does get very grueling and many are knocked out during competition.

Other impressive showings were by Paul Jones (3-1), Greg Renga (3-2), Jeff Moss (4-3) and Jim Frocarro (2-1), whose career was disappointingly shortened by injury, made the team a winning machine.

Port's most successful representative was Steve Basile, finishing fourth in the Shores, a very impressive finish at this tiring, full day event. Chris Schreiber placed fifth, Mike Madura placed sixth and Eric Fritz was knocked out in the early going.

After the team competition is over, the season just begins for most wrestlers. Post season tournaments are true tests of hard work and skills, beginning with the Division I Championships, then the North Shores, Nassau County Championships and finally completing the circuit and the dream of most wrestlers, the New York State Championships. Obviously, the competition gets tougher and more

Last weekend, the All-Nassau County Championships took place. Four of Port's wrestlers have been selected and placed in the competition for their high standard of wrestling. Port's "fearsome foursome" consists of Steve Basile, Mike Madura, Chris Schreiber and Eric Fritz. The county standouts for Port work hard everyday for the competition with coaches Busby and Doscher. If the boys do well, they will be placed in the well known New York State Championships.

Varsity and JV Bowlers Take Third in Divs

by Marc Craig
The JV bowling team's match against archrival Great Neck South was taken in their next two matches, against Herricks and Glen Cove. Despite these losses, the Varsity had achieved its goal of making the playoffs.

behind the victory with a 526 three game score. The varsity was disappointed in their next two matches, against Herricks and Glen Cove. Despite these losses, the Varsity had achieved its goal of making the playoffs.

Blue and White Ready to Fight

By Mike Barry
Preparations are already being made for Girls' Sports Nite, which will take place on Saturday night, April 1. Under the supervision of Ms. Gallagher, captains have been chosen and events have been selected. Sports Nite will include dances, skits, and calisthenic routines along with the athletic events. Judging will be based on originality, creativity and enthusiasm in the non-athletic events. There are six captains representing each team and in turn representing each class (sophomore, junior and senior).

Powering the team to victory in the first game were Kathy Ross, with a strong roll of 202 and Dave Farberman, with a roll of 190. The second game was won with the combined effort of Mike Poulos (180), Dave Repper (180), and Kathy Ross (179). The team tired after the first two taxing wins; Mike Poulos keyed the team's victory. Strong performances were also given by Mike Kelly, Mike Fraumeni, and by Dayton.

First participating in the North Shore Division II Tournament, they finished a commendable sixth out of a 12 team field. They were sparked by the play of Mike Rice, who finished with a 180 three game average. When asked for a comment on the performances of the Varsity and Junior Varsity teams this season, Coach John Hegi said assuredly "They played well, and I am proud of them. This season marks the 14th straight year that the Varsity has finished among the four teams in their division." Finishing third, the Varsity had a record of 13-19. The Junior Varsity also landed in third place among the division's Junior Varsity teams, with a 26-8 record. Despite the loss of the 1-2-3 punch of Bob Hukill, Danny Jackson and Mike Rice, Coach Hegi is optimistic about next years teams, with returning juniors Dave Effman and Mike Fraumeni to lead the Varsity.

Column:
Jim Shorts
by Billy Nixon

The Port boys' track team made a tremendous effort in both the Division and North Shore Finals. In the Divisions, Port was at the top most of the way on team points with victories from Greg O'Keefe in the 600 yd. dash and Mike Nuzzolese in the shotput. Kenny Maye added more points by placing fourth in the 60 yd. dash. It looked like Port was going to take the Division trophy when all they had to do was win the 880 yd. relay. The situation looked very hopeful since we had the best all-around 880 relay team in the meet, headed by Greg O'Keefe at the anchor position and Kenny Maye starting things off. When Kenny took an early lead and handed the baton to Danny Jackson, the situation looked good, until a Farmingdale runner crossed lanes and tripped him. Danny scrambled back to his feet and continued, but Syosset had built up too much of a lead and despite the efforts of Mike Rice and Greg O'Keefe they couldn't catch up. Consequently, they took second and Port didn't accumulate enough points to oust Syosset. In the North Shores, competition was tougher, but the Port track team members had confidence that they were going to win; once again they came in second as Bethpage and Farmingdale tied for first. The only two victories were by O'Keefe in the 600 yd. dash and Nuzzolese in the shotput competition. The 880 relay team finished in a disappointing third place. In the Long Island Coaches Meet, Mike Nuzzolese broke his own school record with a throw of 54'7" and then broke it again in the Counties with a throw of 56' 4 1/2" to win a first place trophy. He will go to the States along with Greg O'Keefe.

The Wrestling team surprised everybody when they came in first place in their conference, and were awarded a trophy. Most team members were entered in the Divisions and Shores but weren't too successful.

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Freeman Takes Port Classic in Straight Sets

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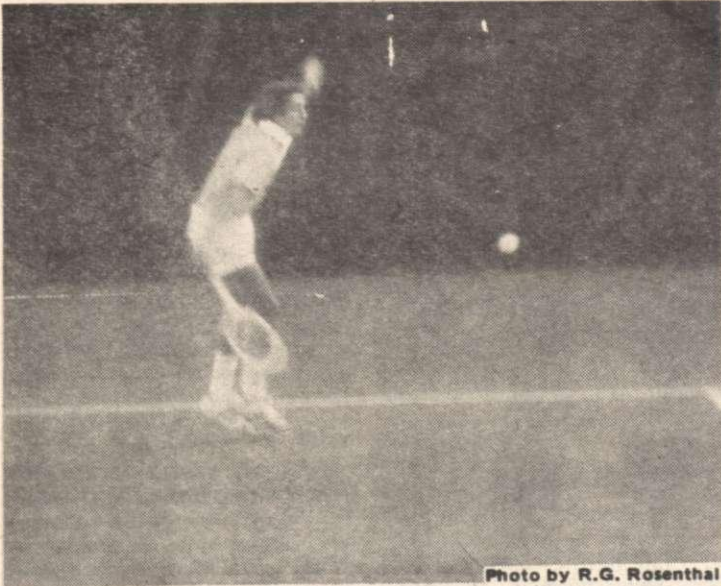
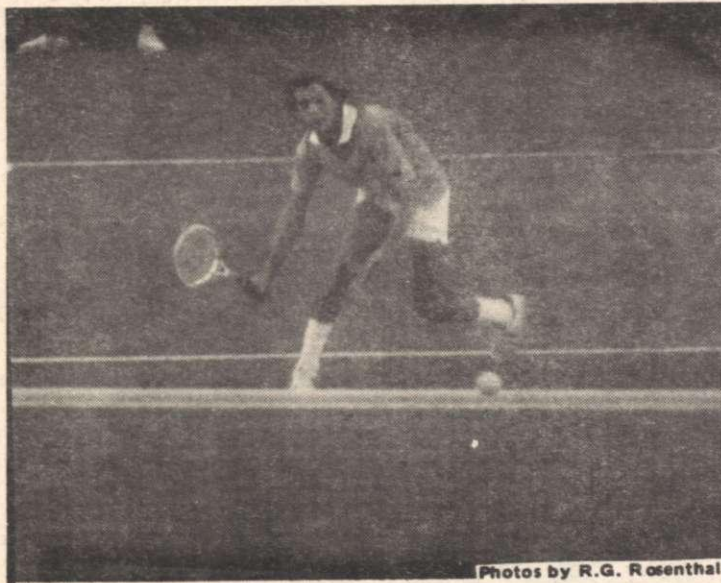


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Marcel Freeman hitting a "picture-book" backhand en route to a 6-4, 6-1 victory over Billy Nealon of Rochester.



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Marcel Freeman hitting a half-volley during the second set of the finals.

Marcel Freeman, a wiry little senior, proved once more that he is the hottest thing to hit Port Washington tennis courts since Har-True. Freeman easily swept to a victory in the Port Washington Tennis Classic for the second year in a row with a decisive 6-4, 6-1 victory over Billy Nealon of Rochester. Freeman, seeded first, probably worked up more of a sweat carrying his rackets to the Academy than he did in the entire tournament, never losing a set, and being extended only once, 7-5, 6-1 over Tim Downey in the quarterfinals.

In the Girls' 18 Division, Tracy Austin, that pigtailed pixie from Rolling Hills, California, who gained fame and fortune by being the first competitor at Wimbledon to watch Saturday morning cartoons, struggled in the finals before finally vanquishing Maria Fernandez 6-4, 6-3.

But the big story for Port fans was the ease with which Freeman captured his second consecutive crown of one of the biggest amateur tennis events in a tennis-crazed town. Marcel swats booming backhands like he is shooing away so many flies, and when he senses an opponent faltering, he moves in, surrounds him, and eventually crushes him. Nealon was one in a long line who fell victim to Marcel's overwhelming court dominance.

Both players held serve at the beginning of the match, and Nealon even broke Marcel to take a 3-2 lead. At that point, Marcel said, "I thought that if things kept going the way they were, I was going to lose the set." But Freeman broke Nealon right back, and as Nealon missed a few easy shots, Marcel shifted into high gear, blazing past Nealon to

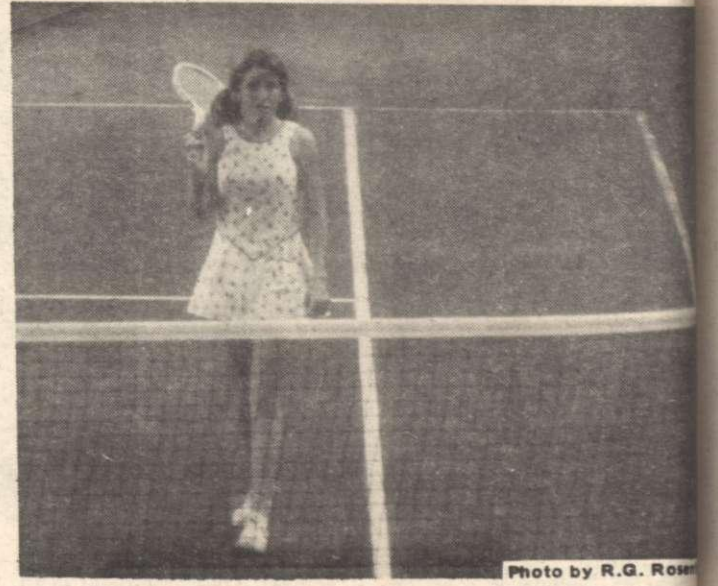


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Tracy Austin questioning linesman's call during the first set of the finals.

take the set with a service break at 5-4.

At this point, Nealon had lost the match. He knew it, the crowd knew it, and most of all, Marcel knew it. Taking complete control of the match, Marcel handled Nealon like he was an unseeded 12 year old, instead of the third seed in the tournament. Freeman coasted to a 6-1 victory in the second set.

It appears that Marcel is destined for a pro career. In a tournament designed to attract the top juniors in the country, Marcel dropped all of 19 games in five matches.

Freeman desperately wants to go to U.C.L.A. (alma mater of Jimmy Connors and Arthur Ashe, among others) to further his career, although Princeton and Columbia (where Butch Seewagon is the coach) remain possibilities because of their proximity to the metropolitan area. Marcel, however, is

counting on U.C.L.A. to improve his game significantly enough to make pro tennis a profitable venture.

"Tennis is so competitive now," he says. "If I improve U.C.L.A., then of course I'd like to go pro." As for the present, Marcel headed down to Virginia last Thursday to compete in another national tournament to uphold his ranking as the junior player in the east. In March he travels to Albany to compete for the Junior Davis team, "to make it (the team) count."

For Freeman, who plays at Syosset and Roslyn, the future looks bright indeed. Marcel looked pleased when he accepted his color television set and prize for his second straight crown at the Port Classic, but he was exuberant. Whoever said Marcel can't win 'em all never had Marcel's backhand.

Port Track: Winningest Season in Decade

By R.G. Rosenthal

The clock has not yet struck twelve for the Cinderella Winter Track teams. The distaff half of the squad, under the guidance of Bruce McDonald, has had an exceptional season. Thus far, the team has been sparked by Claudia Silva, a freshman with more meet experience than most seniors; Chris Shea, a swimmer turned runner rookie sensation; Theresa Jaeger, whose claim to fame is clearing crossbars in the hurdles and high jump; and Neni Davis, who, despite her lack of size, can put the shot farther than most of the bovines she competes against. Other top performers for the team have been Robin Riley and Katie Morgan in the distance events, Isabel Protopoulos in the middle distance events, and Kenzie Keyes in the shot.

In the Division Championships, Port grabbed first in almost every event they entered with Chris taking the 2 mile run and the boys' mile walk (yes, the boys' mile walk). Teammate Theresa Jaeger took first in the high jump and second in the hurdles, while Neni Davis took top honors in both the 50 yd. dash and the shot.

Port's showing at the North Shore Championships proved to be almost equally impressive as Chris took the mile and came in a comparatively dismal third in the boys' mile walk. Theresa took second in both of her events, the hurdles and the high jump, while Neni was runner-up in the 50 yd. dash and was again victorious in the shot with Kenzie Keyes coming in third.

The boys, coached by Bob

Acevedo, also had great success in the Division and North Shore Championships, taking second and third place respectively in the team standings. In fact, Port nearly took first in the Division, but their dreams turned sour when long legged Danny Jackson was tripped on the second leg of the 880 relay, which consisted of Danny, Kenny Maye, Mike Rice and Greg O'Keefe.

O'Keefe, the school record holder in the 600, took the division title in that event, as well as a second in the 300 yd. run. Mike Nuzzolese, the school record holder in the shot, easily won in his forte also. In addition, Jackson was able to avenge his spill by taking third in the high jump, while in the distance events, Mal McConnachie took third in the 1000 and Art Tascone

took thirds in both the mile and two mile runs. (No reference to dysentery intended) The relays were not a total loss however as the 2 mile relay team of John "Juice" Gennusa, Matt Meyron, Jeff Doughty, and McConnachie took second place.

O'Keefe and Nuzzolese matched their division performances in the North Shores' as O'Keefe again took first in the 600 and second in the 300 while "Nuzz" (who else?) won the shot.

NASSAU ROTARY RELAYS

The Nassau Rotary Relays were held Feb. 15th and 16th at the Nassau Coliseum. Upon arrival at the stadium, many of the competitors were warmly greeted by Coliseum officials who would not admit them without a "competitors pass", which most

of the runners had not received from their coaches, and without some coaches obviously having nothing about.

Nevertheless, the Coliseum is a very professional atmosphere, especially if one considers the fact that this is the same building that the Islanders skate in, and that had housed Emerson, Landon and Palmer the week before.

Port's sprint medley relay team of Kenny Maye (440 yards), John "Juice" Gennusa (220), Jeff Doughty (220); and Mal McConnachie (880) was destined not to win since only one of the four is actually a sprinter. Gennusa and Doughty are distance runners, not accustomed to running 220's, consequently the team posted a mediocre time of 3:56.

There was, however, a bright side as Neni Davis took second in the shot with a heave of 37' 11". In addition, Chris Shea emerged victorious in the girls' mile, with a time of 8:08, and won the 2 mile run with a sensational performance finish in 5:16.9.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The County Championships were held at Farmingdale tartan track for the girls' squad. Claudia Silva won the mile with a time of 8:45 and ran to victory in the 2 mile with a time of 15:13.2, and the two mile run, with a time of 11:14. In the process, Chris beat Kenzie



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Kenny Maye taking the lead in the sprint medley relay at the coliseum.



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Art Tascone holding Port's lead during third leg of the 2 mile relay.

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