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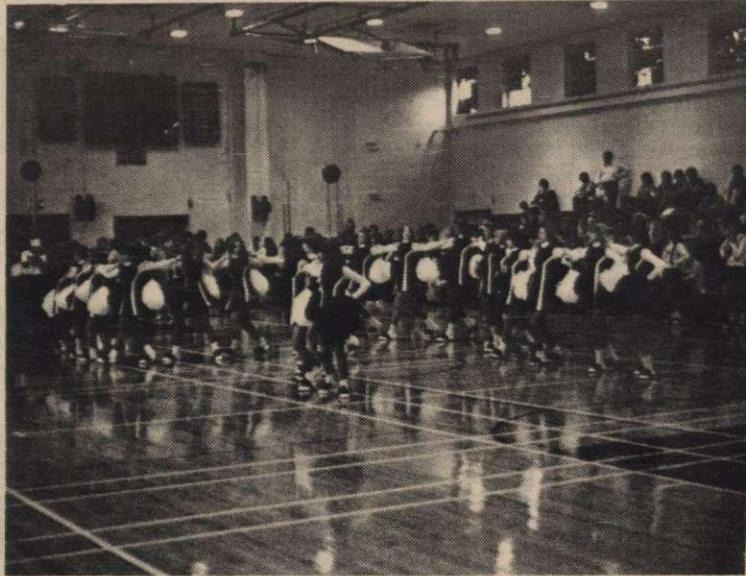
PAUL D. SCHREIBER HIGH SCHOOL

Wednesday, September 28, 1977

Pep Rally Ignites Spirit

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Michael Rudnick

This year the Student Government along with the school spirit committee organized the 25th annual Pep Rally. This year's Rally, held in the Gym, introduced all of the Varsity and Junior Varsity Interscholastic Fall sports teams. The band played while the Portettes marched (right). This year's rally, different from last year's, had the addition of the Port Viking, Steve Suchman (below), attacking Mike Nuzzolese as he leads the Varsity Football Team in their introduction.



New Lock System Tried

By Melissa Spielman

The beginning of school is always accompanied by such rituals as the filling out of endless pieces of paper, the mad rush to corner a guidance counselor before he or she is whisked away to a conference, vault, or wherever else guidance counselors are when you want one, and the assigning of lockers. This year, however, provided a break in routine for Schreiber students, who discovered that they not only had new, working locks and a choice of locker location and partner but that they would have to wait on line for these privileges.

To get a locker, students first decided upon the partner and locker of their desires, and then waited for up to two mods on one of two lines which loitered in the lobby. At the end of the line students exchanged two dollars and their names for a locker and its combination.

Dean of Students Mr. Whitney explained that the new system, although inconvenient at the distribution stage, was good for both students and the administration. Previously, lockers were assigned in homerooms, and the available lockers and locker partners were limited. According to Mr. Whitney, students would often trade lockers so that they could have one in a more convenient location or share one with a friend. This could create problems if for some reason a student's possessions had to be recovered - if the student had switched lockers, the administrators would have no idea of where the new locker was.

Mr. Whitney felt that if students were initially given a choice of locker and partner, they would be unlikely to change lockers. Another problem was that many of the built-in locks did not work. Students would often supply their own locks, which also created difficulties if their lockers had to be opened. The administration is in possession of two master keys which will open every lock if the occasion arises. For people without authority and master keys, however, the new locks afford more protection against break-ins than the old built-in locks.

Mr. Whitney said that he would like to be able to give every student an individual locker, but since there are not enough lockers to go around he is attempting to be fair by insuring that nobody gets a separate locker unless there is a medical or other valid excuse. Aware that some pairs of partners were signing up for lockers twice, when the locker distribution was complete Mr. Whitney checked the student directory and the lists of students and corresponding lockers to see which people had gotten individual lockers. Those who had temporarily beaten the system had the extra locker taken away.

Locks were given out by Mr. Whitney, Assistant Principal Bartels, and two teacher aides. The money students paid for the locks has gone into the school district's general fund and will be refunded when the locks are returned.

Merit Semis Announced

On September 14, the names of the 18 Schreiber students who placed as semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship Competition were announced. These students were selected on the basis of their exceptionally high PSAT / NMSQT scores.

The qualifying test was taken in the junior year. Of all the students across the country who took the test, approximately 15,000 semifinalists were chosen. The number of students designated from each state are proportionate to that state's percentage of graduating seniors. The scores of the semifinalists are in the top half of one percent of the senior class

within their respective states. Those students who did not qualify as National Merit semifinalists but who scored in the top two percent of all high school seniors will receive Letters of Commendation.

National Merit Scholarship semifinalists were: Eve Ahlers, Jeanne Christman, Eve Coffee, Lauren Cowles, Sarah Flanagan, Lisa Heller, Michael Herbst, Lauri Kien, Sarah Laventhal, Andrew Millis, Elizabeth Moore, Alex Rekow, Melissa Spielman, Chris Stern, William Thymius, Steve Weisman, Liz Werter, Michael Zimmerman.

Emotions Erupt Over Board Decision

At a regular meeting of the Port Washington School Board on Tuesday, September 20, at Sousa Junior High School, conflicts between members of the Board were apparent. The public disagreements were triggered by a vote on the appointment of the firm of Winick, Ginsberg, Ehrlich & Hoffman to serve as interim general counsel for the school district. Previously, Attorney Bertram Daiker had been the general counsel, with the aforementioned firm working on labor-related matters.

Board president Hassett and members Salerno, Keegan and Betz approved the termination of Mr. Daiker's appointment; members Coffee, Cowles and Pellegrino were opposed. After the vote, Mr. Pellegrino stated that he objected to the change of counsel on the grounds that there was no reason for it and suggested that the motion to appoint a new counsel be tabled until a good reason was provided. Pellegrino's motion was voted down, but it touched off a long debate which included Board members and, finally, members of the audience.

Rift in Board

Mr. Coffee, Mrs. Coffee and Mr. Pellegrino felt that Mr. Daiker had served the district well and that there were no reasons for switching attorneys. Mrs. Coffee, in a speech prompted by the Board's decision

regarding Mr. Daiker, called the move "counterproductive." Her opinions on the actions of the School Board began with, "I'm not sure that this School Board doesn't owe this community an apology"; she went on to say that the Board "meddles in administrative affairs, spends almost no time discussing matters related to education, operates in many ways which are not in the best interests of the community," and that she has been "embarrassed to be a member of the Board." Mr. Betz countered by saying that "the minority of the Board was crying 'sour grapes' in discussing Mr. Daiker in public." Mrs. Keegan's response was that "Mrs. Coffee's remarks were inappropriate and inaccurate"; she denied that the Board "meddled" and felt that Mrs. Coffee was being "quite hostile." Mr. Salerno said that he "respects Mrs. Coffee for her input into the Board and was upset and surprised at her comments."

Totally Professional

The argument over Mr. Daiker moved beyond the School Board when Samuel Zinder, the attorney who had handled last year's referendum case, in which a group of Port Washington parents took the School Board to court over the matter of the Board's proposed modular scheduling referendum (Mr.

Daiker was the Board's lawyer for the case), stated that Mr. Daiker was "totally professional," and that he "disagreed with every charge made by Hassett against Daiker and would take a lie detector test to show it if Mr. Hassett would also take a lie detector test."

Legal but Controversial

There was quite a bit of dissension regarding the specifics of the Daiker affair. Although all Board members stated that Mr. Daiker was removed from his position in a legally correct way, there were differing opinions on the validity of the reasons for not rehiring him and the chance given him to "defend" himself. Mr. Cowles, Mrs. Coffee and Mr. Pellegrino felt that there had been no reasons for not reappointing him. Mrs. Coffee said that it was foolish to change attorneys for no reason and that Mr. Daiker's career could be damaged by the Board's decision; she said that, although she did not want to make headlines out of his career, she felt that it would be no favor to him either to keep things quiet. Mr. Cowles, Mrs. Coffee and Mr. Pellegrino also said that Mr. Daiker was not given a chance to "defend" himself. Mrs. Coffee stated that one night when the Board was meeting in executive session to discuss the appointment of a counsel and Mr. Daiker

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Fall Musical "Carnival" Cast

Schreiber has long been called a circus, and on the 11, 12, 18 and 19 of November this description will have merit. "Carnival," the fall musical, will feature students performing circus acts of all kinds.

The story centers on Lilli (Dede Blankman), a young girl who goes to a carnival in search of her dead father's friend, the only person she has left in the world. Upon discovering that he too is dead, Lilli realizes that she must now fend for herself. The rest of the play concerns Lilli's attempt to join the carnival and her bizarre relationship with Paul, the puppeteer (Jeremy Mann).

Other leading roles will be those of Jaquot (Brian Hiller), Rosalie (Stephanie Hall), and Marco (Dean Celesia).



Editorials

Policy Statement

The opening of school each fall is invariably accompanied by new things: new faces for all, new locations for some and new resolutions for most. In addition, there are new student leaders of old student activities. Among these is the new editorial staff of The Schreiber TIMES. Because we are new, we find it necessary to present a clear policy by which we will operate throughout the 1977-78 school year.

Above all, we promise to be honest, accurate, and considerate of others. We will endeavor to cover everything involving Schreiber students which we believe may be of interest to their peers. Concerns outside of Schreiber will be investigated if they affect students and precedence will be given to issues in which the greatest number of students are interested or involved.

Reviews of theatrical and musical productions will be printed provided that people with a good background in the field in which they are reviewing and an understanding of amateur productions are available to write them.

The editorials printed herein will represent the opinion of the majority of the editors. Occasionally, however, the editors whose opinion is not thereby represented on a given issue may feel so strongly that they will write a signed editorial.

All signed letters to the editor which do not exceed 250 words will be printed in their entirety as long as they are neither libelous nor obscene. We reserve the right to edit letters longer than this and to choose a representative sample in the event that we receive many letters on the same subject. An anonymous letter will be treated in the same manner as any other letter provided that at least one of the editors knows who its author is.

This policy statement is intended to inform our readers of the general guidelines which we will use in the hope of answering some of the standard questions before they are asked. If, however, anyone has questions about The TIMES at any time during the year, we invite them to come address themselves directly to us.

Nicely Done

The editorial staff of The Schreiber TIMES compliments Mr. Swaab, the administration and the Student Government on the efforts they have made this year.

We believe that the painting of the school and the refurbishing of the cafeteria represent an improvement in Schreiber's interior. The efforts made by Mr. Swaab are commendable and we hope that he will continue with them.

Letter

To the Editors:

Schreiber looks like a subway station. I returned after being at Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville, New York for a month. The ceilings of exposed metal piping were a stark surprise. I find the ceilings as memorable as the ivy covered buildings at college: they are another aspect of Schreiber which I can't forget.

I have been extraordinarily well prepared for college. My Advanced Placement courses in English and French were truly college level. I did not write many papers in either course. I did not work myself hard. But, there was always new material to read, and discuss. A real teacher doesn't teach his or her students a discipline. He or she exposes them to as many stimuli as possible related to that discipline.

There is a constant barrage of stimuli at Sarah Lawrence. Coupled with a light schedule of six course meetings weekly, there is much fascinating and unstructured time to play with. I may have failed the Biology Regents but I learned the value of a student's time and how to seize the most from it. I will be saddened if unstructured time leaves Schreiber. It was the greatest gift I received at school.

Sincerely,
Kyle Roderick

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First Cellar Door Is Planned

The Cellar Door is a student magazine which was started last year. A group of people had felt that there was a need for a publication which would present articles that had more literary value and uncensored student news. Although it is run by students in Schreiber and 1500 copies of its November issue last year were distributed throughout the school, its school affiliations are few.

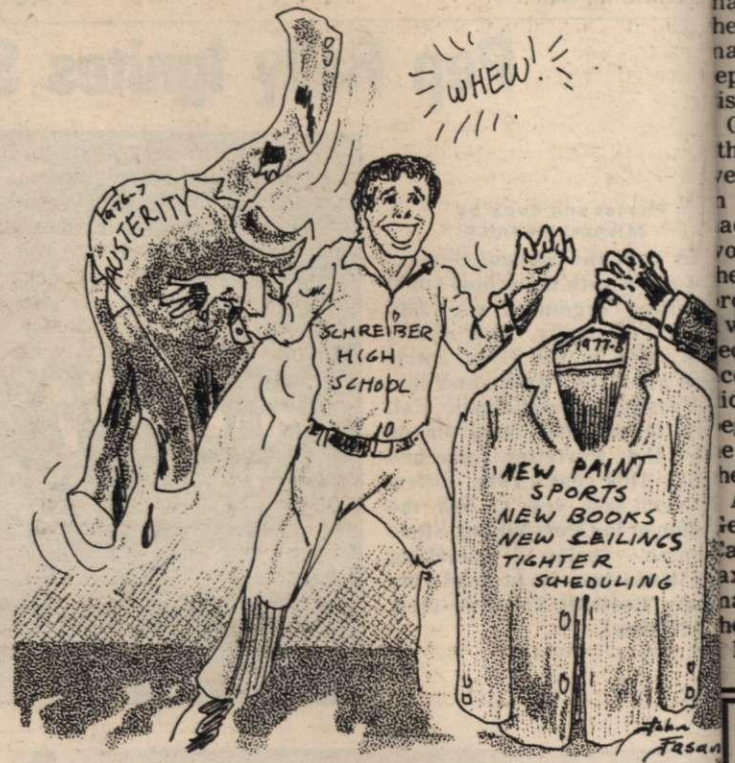
Contrary to a belief held by some, the staff of the magazine does not consider it an "underground paper." Ward Ogden, who is acting as the coordinator of the publication, by "putting people together to form an ideal staff," would like to see it develop into one with both informational and creative articles.

Made possible by a donation from the G.O. last year, The Cellar Door plans four issues this year. On account of the graduation of almost all of last year's staff, the present staff of nine members has just begun to develop ideas for this year.

At first, the administration was not very enthusiastic about the concept of an unsupervised publication. This year, however, the staff of The Cellar Door has made an attempt to stay on good terms with Mr. Swaab and he has had no objections so far.

Fasano's View 1977

"A WELCOME CHANGE...!"



Students' Schedules Structured

Those of you who have passed the small, unnumbered classroom across from the aviation simulator and wondered what it is may be interested to know that it is the center for Schreiber's "structured time" program. The former T.E.S.L. room is staffed by Ms. Gallagher, who is a supervisor of and aide for the students.

The structured program was designed for two types of students: those who have had difficulty utilizing their free time to their best advantage and those who have been minor disciplinary problems.

During the summer, approximately seventy-five students were notified that they were to report to a supervised room during their scheduled free time for the first two weeks of the then upcoming school year. These students, from all high school levels, were recommended for the program by the administrative offices of the schools they attended last year. The students were given lunch periods but all other free mods were to be spent in the supervised center. After the first two weeks of school, the students were allowed to return to modular scheduling on a probationary basis. If the students were continually "cutting" late to class or not turning in assignments they were to be put back under supervision.

In addition, this room is used as a detention center for minor offenders. Mr. Whitney recently assigned two students to mods of "rest" in the center for running through the halls. Students who have continually reported to class unprepared have been required to spend the two mods

preceding this class in the center at the request of their teacher. This is done in the hope that the two mods of more rigid structured time might encourage the student to report to class prepared.

While in the center students may read, do their homework or undertake anything deemed constructive by the supervisor. Ms. Gallagher reported that the students behave well and are generally very good about reporting for their assigned mods. When asked her opinion of the program, Ms. Gallagher replied that she believes it works while she thinks the students are using their time constructively. A supervisor will remain in charge of the center throughout this school year.

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Gelfond

Bob Gelfond is student government treasurer last year from manager of the Student Government machines. The G represented by its advisor, Mr. Cahill.

On May 18, Gelfond and other co-managers were fired by Mr. Cahill. In the year Gelfond had reached a record until June 1. After their firing, they broke in the new mod week. Gelfond and received this mod according to Mr. Cahill. Gelfond, Shavel was not suing, although he same position as Gelfond were fired. Cahill feared we would sue and because he managers could not sue themselves." Mr. Cahill said,

Missing

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Gelfond vs. G.O. Emotions Erupt Over Board Decision

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Bob Gelfond is suing the Student Government after being fired last year from his job as co-manager of the student store and the Student Government's soda machines. The G.O. will be represented by its faculty advisor, Mr. Cahill.

On May 18, Gelfond and the other co-manager, Steve Shavel, were fired by Mr. Cahill. Earlier in the year Gelfond and Shavel had reached an agreement to work until June 1. At the time of their firing, they agreed to help break in the new managers for \$5 a week. Gelfond and Shavel never received this money because, according to Mr. Cahill, they didn't do any work. When the case began, Shavel was not yet 18, so he is not suing, although he is in the same position as Gelfond.

According to Shavel, he and Gelfond were fired because "Mr. Cahill feared we would become lax and because he felt the new managers could run the store themselves."

Mr. Cahill said, "as the em-

ployer, I had the right to fire them whenever I deemed it necessary." Mr. Cahill said that proceeds from the store were going down and that the soda machines were not stocked and were in disrepair.

Mr. David Kutcher, Business Manager for the district, said that on several occasions late last year the administration held back the paychecks for Gelfond and Shavel because the building's soda machine was not stocked. Mr. Kutcher said that the checks were sent out within a day or two when the machine was stocked.

Gelfond is suing for one week's salary, \$22. If he wins the case, he may also ask for travel and court expenses.

The case was postponed twice because Mr. Cahill was unavailable until the beginning of school. The case will be heard on December 28 before the Honorary Marie-Louise Nickerson in Nassau County's Third District Court in Great Neck.

was in the building and available to appear before the Board to "defend" himself, the Board voted against inviting him into the room on the grounds that there was no point in it. Mr. Cowles said that there were two occasions on which it was decided not to invite Mr. Daiker to personally respond to the Board's decision to not rehire him. Mr. Hassett, Mrs. Keegan, Mr. Salerno and Mr. Betz felt that it was extremely inappropriate and unfair to Mr. Daiker for members of the Board to discuss the affair in public; they said that personnel matters have always been and should continue to be kept private, and that to do otherwise is possibly damaging to the person in question and an invasion of his or her privacy. They also expressed their belief that the Board handled the change of attorneys in a totally correct and legal manner. Mr. Hassett explained that every early July the Board decides

whether to reappoint or change the general counsel; this July, he said, he stated his reasons for recommending that a new counsel be retained both in memos to the Board and orally, after discussing the matter with Mr. Daiker. Hassett said that Daiker had between July and September to respond, but did not come before or send a memo to the Board in his defense. Mr. Betz said that "instead of responding to the Board, Daiker took the memos sent to him to other community members."

When asked by the Times, Mr. Daiker had no comment on the matter.

More Conflict

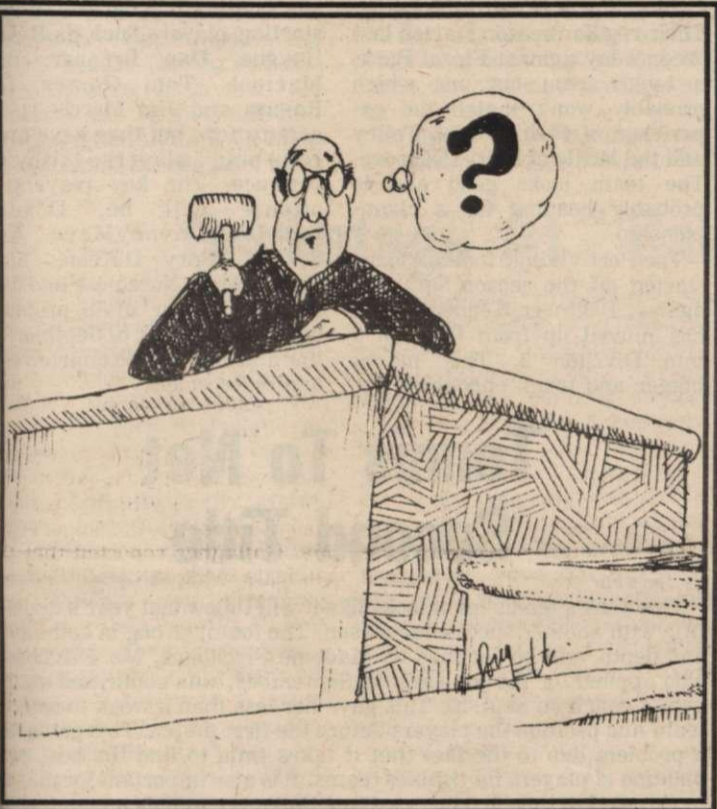
The Daiker affair brought out more conflicts among the Board members than were necessarily related to the matter of a school attorney. Mrs. Coffee has been concerned that, in her opinion, too many things are being handled behind closed doors, that too much attention has been paid to

the cosmetic aspects of Schreiber, and that there has not been enough concentrated time devoted to discussing educational and administrative objectives. Mr. Cowles is also concerned that the Board is not doing anything for education; he claims that the Board voted to make changes in the schools which were based on the perceptions of the majority, and that they have not evaluated those changes. Mr. Hassett and Mrs. Keegan did not feel that the Board has discussed too many issues privately. Mr. Hassett said that the Board is sounded out before every discussion as to whether the discussion should be public or private; he said that it takes five members to decide on that issue, which is more than what he referred to as the Board's "so-called majority," but that if any one Board member had extremely strong feelings either way, those feelings would be honored.



Schedules

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Physical Fitness; Coed Classes

During the week of September 12, Schreiber students participated in a physical fitness test required by the state. The test was designed to locate the areas of fitness in which students need improvement. The test also served as a physical fitness motivator. "Students who did badly on the test hopefully will work to improve their physical

fitness," said Physical Education Department Chairman Mr. Romeo. The test results from each school in New York State will be compared. Schools may be urged to give courses designed to improve fitness in the areas in which improvement is needed. The test included sit-ups, which measured strength; squat

thrusts, for endurance; a shuttle run, for speed; and the side-step, for agility. When asked if sit-ups really measure strength, Mr. Romeo replied, "Different people believe in different tests. Sit-ups measure one type of strength - abdomen muscle strength. Pull-ups would test for upper body strength."

Mr. Romeo also feels that the test was not dangerous to students. If students had a medical excuse they would not have had to participate in the test.

The physical fitness test may be given again at the end of the school year or at the beginning of next year. A voluntary fitness test, sponsored by the Marine Corps, will take place this spring. This test will be more competitive than the recent test and students who consider themselves good athletes are urged to participate.

New York State has also mandated that public schools offer only coeducational physical education courses. Since this ruling was made during the summer, the Physical Education Department did not have time to alter scheduled courses. Mr. Romeo said he hopes that the change will become effective by the second quarter. Then, courses will not be chosen by sex; students with the same ability, regardless of sex, will be grouped together.

Scheduling Made Easy

Changes in the scheduling procedures, thought of by Schreiber's Principal, Mr. Swaab, and designed to insure that each student received the courses that he or she wanted with a minimal amount of confusion during the opening week of school, were implemented this year. These changes involved the students' selection of courses for this year last May, their confirmation of these choices in June and the guidance department's mailing in late August of a list of the courses for which the students had actually been scheduled.

years, students with these problems were faced with frustration and wasted time as overworked guidance counselors strove to satisfy them. Errors in scheduling were not of an insignificant number. Even when "clerical work was 99 percent accurate," as described by Mr. Berry, there were over a hundred errors. Further complications arose when students wished to change their selections or when courses were discontinued due to insufficient enrollment.

The additional cost of the new procedures was estimated by Mr. Berry as \$400. Most of this was for mailing since first class postage was determined necessary. Despite its cost, the administration believed this change to be a worthwhile one and intends to make it permanent.

According to Assistant Principal, Mr. Berry, the extra mailing to students before school began gave students scheduled for unwanted courses or students missing a desired course a chance to "iron out" problems before school started. In previous

Missing Chairs and Ceiling

by Jeanne Christman

Having trouble finding a seat in the cafeteria? Do you think that the metal skeleton with lights hanging from it is a new French art form? If so, you may be wondering what the story on the "re-decoration" of Schreiber is.

Lately, many rumors have arisen concerning the meaning of the gaps in the ceiling and the non-existent cafeteria chairs. Most students were under the

impression that the chairs were in the Panama Canal and who knows what people thought had befallen the ceiling panels.

Actually, there was a delay in shipping both the chairs and the ceiling panels. The chairs arrived recently (from Minneapolis, not the Panama Canal) and the ceiling panels should arrive as soon as the company strike causing the delay is over.

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Vikes Drop Kennedy in Opener

By Rhea Farberman

The Viking mascot led Port Washington onto the field to open its 1977 season and the Vike's offense led the team to a 16-6 win over Bellmore Kennedy High School.

Port's strong running game showed itself immediately as Dom Badolato carried the opening kick some forty yards deep into Bellmore territory. Next, on second and nine, quarterback Jim Froccaro threw a screen pass to Badolato, which he grabbed and ran for eleven yards. One down and one penalty later, Froccaro, who did an excellent job in his first starting assignment as varsity quarterback, hit Kenny Maye in the right corner of the end zone for a touchdown. The attempt for a two point conversion failed.

On Bellmore's first possession, Steve Basile dropped the Bellmore quarterback for a four yard loss. Bellmore was never able to recover the yardage and was forced to punt on fourth down. Port took over on their own thirty-two yard line and attempted a short pass over the middle. The throw was intercepted by a Bellmore linebacker, who ran the thirty two yards for the score.

On the next series of downs Froccaro hit Greg O'Keefe for a forty yard gain, giving Port a first on the Bellmore thirty. Badolato picked up close to twenty yards on a wide sweep to the right side. Billy Owens then picked up five yards to give Port a third and goal situation. After gaining three yards, quarterback

Froccaro was thrown for a loss. Port settled for a field goal, kicked by number ten, Dom Pedone. The first quarter ended with Port ahead 9 to 6.

In the second quarter, Port's coverage against them weakened as Bellmore was able to run straight up the middle for big gains and two first downs. When Port found themselves defending within their own twenty, they tightened up and stopped the Bellmore drive, taking possession on their own nine yard line. Although Billy Owens was able to pick up a first down for Port, the Vikes were not able to move the ball any further, punting it away on fourth down.

The next set of downs was highlighted by an excellent goal line stand by the Port defensive unit. During this set of downs Bellmore had three goal to go situations, but Port stifled all three attempts.

Half way through the fourth quarter, Bellmore was forced to punt from its own end zone, which gave Port excellent field position on the Bellmore thirty-six. On first down, Owens picked up seven yards; on second, Froccaro ran for ten and a first down. On that down the ball was given to Badolato who on a tremendous individual effort scored Port's second touchdown. The extra point was good by Pedone.

Bellmore's final possession began with a fine kick-off by Don Pedone. Mike Nuzzolese ended the possibility of a final Bellmore drive with a diving shoe string tackle of the Bellmore quarterback for a loss and the game ended with Port ahead 16 to 7.



Froccaro hits O'Keefe for a 40-yard gain. Photo by Michael Rudnick

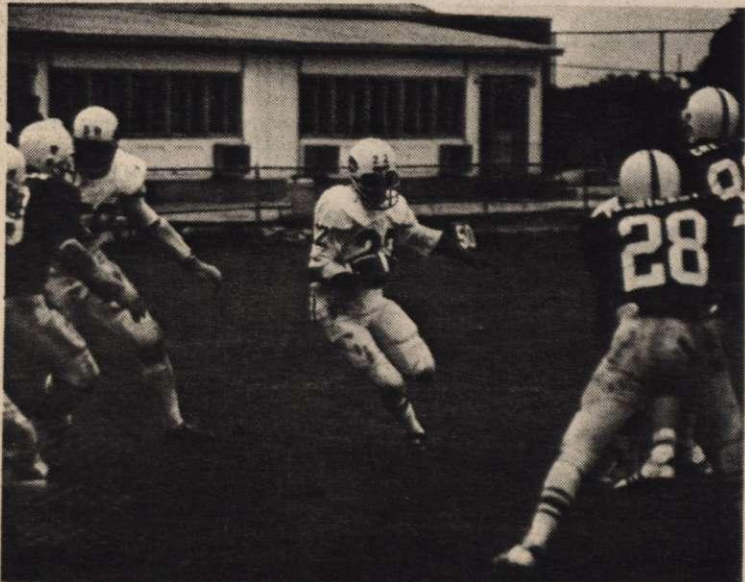
Field Hockey, Football Slated To Repeat

By Jim Shorts

The Field Hockey team will be strong, headed by the Dwyer sisters Marie, Fran and Cathy. Their regular season started last Wednesday against Floral Park, a tough team but one which probably won't match the experience of Port's Brook Tolley and the hustle of Betty Cosgrove. The team looks good and is probably heading for a championship.

The Port Vikings football team started off the season Saturday against Bellmore Kennedy. Port has moved up from Division 3 into Division 2. This means bigger and tough opponents like

Uniondale, Valley Stream, Calhoun and Freeport. The team has suffered a great loss of starting players, such as Ryl Huygue, Dan Brenner, Br Macioeh, Tom Gomez, just name a few, but they have many returning players with experience. The key players offense will be, Dom Badolato, Kenny Maye, K Sexaur, Gary O'Keefe, Steve Basile, Mike Nuzzolese and Joe Rininger. Their main problem will be their lack of depth on line and an untested quarterback James Froccaro.



Billy Owens looks ahead through a beautiful hole formed by the front linesmen. Photo by Michael Rudnick

League Games			
Oct. 1	Plainedge	Home	Away
Oct. 8	Mepham	Home	Home
Oct. 15	Freeport	Away	Away
Oct. 22	Uniondale	Away	Away
Oct. 29	Calhoun	Home	Home
Nov. 12	Sewanhaka	Home	Home
Nov. 19	Valley Stream	Away	Away

Inexperience Could Hurt Gymnasts

By R.G. Rosenthal

Although the Vikings lost many of its top gymnasts due to graduation, things look fairly bright for Port. This year the team is led by Captain Jim Cunningham, who tied for 2nd place in the vaulting horse at last year's division championships. Tom Havasy, Richie Honen and Gene Bellon are also returning from last year's squad.

Though the team is generally inexperienced, Coach Tom Edgerton has given his disciples a sense of pride that could help them achieve a winning season. The Vikings, however, are going to have to depend on some of its

younger gymnasts like Steve Papell on the high bar, side horse and vaulting horse; Robert Murphy on the high bar, rings and vaulting horse; Chris Dover and John Nichols on the side horse; John Nahas, John Froccaro, Don Frislid and Matt Joyce on the rings, vaulting horse and floor exercise.

Coach Edgerton is fairly optimistic stating that "even though heavy graduation losses would indicate that the team is in the rebuilding stage, the Vikings should represent themselves well in meets and could be a competitive threat."

Harriers To Be Strong

By R.G. Rosenthal

This year's harriers should have a fairly strong season with the return of veterans Mike Krug, Pete Downes, Matt Meyron and Mal McConnachie. Another great asset to the team is John Gennusa, who has run the 880 for Port during the indoor and spring seasons and who is competing on the hilly terrain for the first time this year.

One goal of Gennusa and McConnachie is to break the school record of 17:17.9 for Schreiber's 3 mile course during the meet against Roslyn and

Wheatley to be held here on Oct. 7 which will be the only home meet for the Vikings this year. Schreiber will open up the season against Syosset and MacArthur on Sept. 27 at New York Tech. A future prospect for the team is sophomore Peter Dykes, who could earn key additional points for the Vikings as the year progresses.

Coach Joe Zeitler stated that the team should do as well as last year's team, which is fairly impressive, since last year's team posted a 6-3 over-all record.

Badminton

By Jean Shorts

Expected to be its strongest season ever, Port's badminton team is ready for action. Coach John Doscher has expectations that the team will be a leading contender for the League I championships. League I is the toughest league in Nassau with Roslyn and Manhasset being the toughest competition.

The strongest members of the team are returning seniors Nadine Spertus at 1st singles, Ewa Fojcik, Carolyn Zaremba, Karen Newman and Nancy Slade. Returning juniors are Sophie Davis and Hitomi Hashimoto. There are many new members including Nancy Coelho as a strong singles player.

By Jim Shur

This year's tennis team looks like it will follow last year's division title with another successful season. The team, strong in both talent and depth, will be coached by Madeine Fischback. Ms. Fischback who applied for the job early in September, was confirmed as the year's coach on Sept. 20. This gave her less than a week to select team and position the players before the first match. This presents a problem due to the fact that it takes time to find the best combination of players for doubles teams. It is also important for players to get used to their partners so that they play well as a team, which also takes time.

Problems aside, things seemed to shape up smoothly. It appears that for the second year, Marcel Freeman will be the number one singles player. Other singles positions will be held by Albert Franco, Kathy Dalton, and either Perry Aitchison or freshman Steven Hazen. Also expected to give strong performances are Jameson Lee, Glen Kennedy, Andy Freed, Mike Ambrosino, Joe Zack and Grant Aitchison.

These and other team members will open the season on Sept. 2 against Herricks. Although Herricks is probably Port's toughest opponent they'll have to face in their division, the players are confident about the match.

Plainview Outlasts Port 1-0

By R.G. Rosenthal

In their second game of the season, Port, looking for a victory, came up empty handed in a well played match against a tough Plainview team. Since the game was played in the rain, the early part of the first period was spent getting used to the extremely slippery turf. Port started out very slowly and consequently most of the action was down at their own end of the field with goalie John Zarro getting numerous, although not powerful, shots taken at him.

As the game progressed, the pace of the action picked up gradually until late in the second period when the game became extremely fast, with both teams looking for an opportunity to score. During this period, John Zarro made a spectacular diving save on a blasted shot to his left.

In the third period things got out of hand somewhat with a lot

of infractions being called on both teams. During this period, Dom Pedone received his second yellow card, the soccer equivalent to the technical foul, and was ejected from the game. Shortly after, Plainview scored the only goal of the game on an indirect penalty shot that was

lifted over Port's three man wall and to the right of Zarro.

Port looked strong during fourth period but still could not score. Outstanding players of the game were Jeff Doughty, Dave Merjan, Peter Horr, Tom Prudente and John Imperatore.



Dave Merjan breaks up an attempted passing play by the enemy. Photo by Michael Rudnick

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