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# The Schreiber Times

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PAUL D. SCHREIBER HIGH SCHOOL

Wednesday, December 21, 1977

## Federal \$ For Heat



This sign, which was erected to inform the community of the Federal project at Schreiber, was torn down by vandals.

With money received through the 1977 Public Works Employment Act, the school district is rehabilitating Schreiber's heating system and will redistribute Campus Drive's electrical system later in the year.

After getting approval from the community in the November 1976 vote, the district applied to the Federal government for \$1 million to undertake what assistant Superintendent for Business Hal Champol termed "general renovation". This application was turned down. The district then applied to Round II of the Public Works program and received \$75,000 to do work on Schreiber's heating system and the Campus Drive electrical system.

Mr. Champol said that the thermostats and pneumatic controls on Schreiber's oil burners are "old and not working properly and efficiently." Mr. Champol said that the new thermostats and controls will save energy and money.

The work on the electric

system will put all the buildings on Campus Drive onto a single electric meter. According to Mr. Champol, this will reduce the district's electric bill.

The Public Works Employment Act's Local Public Works Program Round II, under which the work is being done, was designed to reduce unemployment by offering funds to municipalities and school districts for work projects. The program requires that all materials used must be made in the United States and that 10 percent of the work must be done by companies owned by members of minority groups. The program also requires the construction of a 4 ft.x8 ft.x1/8 ins. sign to inform the community of the work being done. The sign which the district constructed for Schreiber was torn down by vandals on Saturday, December 10. Mr. Champol, who photographed the sign to keep a record of it for Federal Inspectors, said, "I can't see any point in rebuilding it (the sign) and having it torn down again."

## Winter Concert

On Sunday, December 18, the annual Winter concert began as Part Washington received its share of winter weather. The concert included an appropriate amount of holiday music to fit in with the season.

Despite the inclement weather, there was an ample audience in the Schreiber auditorium to enjoy a little music. The Orchestra, conducted by Joseph Mooney, played two selections of baroque music to begin the concert. The Varsity and Aeolian Choirs followed, singing both holiday and other music. Jerald Stone conducted the Choir.

The Stage Band was next,

marking a transition from the more gentle type of music performed by the Orchestra and Choir to a more strident form of music. The Stage Band was followed by the Brass Ensemble led by Howard Winslow. The brass ensemble's repertoire included an arrangement of "The Twelve Days of Christmas." The Concert Band was the final group performing in the concert, and was under the baton of William Fish. It completed the concert with a selection by Douglass Davidson, the "South Wind March," which was conducted by Mr. Davidson.



Schreiber's Stage Band In the Mood.

Photo By Chris Tortora

## Parents, Dept. Heads, G.O. Run New Career Awareness Program

This year's career awareness program, under which various people come to school to speak to students about their careers, will be somewhat different from last year's. Although last year's program was "in the main, well received," according to Mr. Tim Melchior, the district official in charge of setting up the career awareness program, it did not tie in with the curriculum. This meant that teachers saw no reason, as a general rule, to bring their classes to hear the speakers, so some presentations were not well attended. This year, Mr. Melchior set up a system to be supervised by Mr. Bartels, in which the department chairmen would decide for which topics they wished to have speakers. One or two members of the Parents' Association would work with each department, getting the speakers wanted by the chairmen, and handling the out-of-school publicity, the welcoming committee (to greet the speakers when they arrive at the school), and the "thank-you" notes. The Schreiber student government (which, according to Mr. Melchior, asked for "complete involvement in everything") would deal with publicity within the high school, maintain a

back-up welcoming committee, and establish a larger committee to deal with the whole program, perhaps by assigning one student to each department to work with the department chairmen and the Parents' Association members. According to Mr. Melchior, this system would "infuse and integrate career awareness into the curriculum," by permitting the department chairmen to "organize the program in advance so that departments can tie it in with classes."

According to Mr. Bartels, "The parents are doing most of the work with the cooperation and advice of the department chairmen." He said that in-school publicity "is something we're working on now." He also said that Mr. Melchior had requested that the Student Government handle this aspect of the program, but that he had not spoken with them yet. He said that he envisioned his role as that of a "troubleshooter". For example, if a department needed a room for one speaker for a certain number of mods on a certain day, and couldn't schedule it in its own classrooms, he "would move classes around to accommodate it." There is currently no way to deal with the

coincidence of two departments' career awareness programs, an event Mr. Bartels termed "unlikely" because each department has the whole school year to schedule its programs.

Student Government President Eric Bing said that Mr. Melchior asked him to help with the program, and that he decided that the best way to do this would be to assign one student to work with each department chairman, as Mr. Melchior's plan suggests. He has set up "no overall system." The students who have agreed to work with specific departments so far are: Alan Parker for English, Stephanie Judd for Social Studies, Barbara Koziak for Science, Eve Coffee for Language, Cynthia Quinn for Phys. Ed., and Alisa Coleman for Music. Nine departments - Art, Business, EMS, Guidance, Health, Home Ec, Industrial Arts, Mathematics, and Television, do not have students assigned to them, and consequently will have to (until students are found to help) handle their own publicity. Eric said that he is "practically positive" that he will find students to work with these departments, and he invites all interested students to contact him.

## Four Year High School Considered

Much has been said recently about the possibility of instituting a four year high school program. Such a program was mentioned in the School Facilities Study Committee (SFSC) report, and also at recent school board meetings.

The SFSC report mentioned, among other things, that the program should not be instituted for the 1978-79 school year because the 9th through 12th grade population would not permit all of the students to work in one building. The report said that although it would be educationally desirable, the difficulties of having a high school in two buildings, such as Schreiber and Flower Hill, far outweigh the educational advantages of a four-year high school. The SFSC recommended a four-year high school be instituted when the 9th through 12th grade population decreases to approximately 1600 students, which will happen in or about 1984.

Two plans compatible with having all 9th through 12th graders at Schreiber would be having one middle school of all district 7th and 8th grade students at Weber; or having two middle schools of 6th through 8th graders, one in Weber and the second in Sousa.

Board president James Hassett cited two significant educational advantages to making Schreiber a four-year school. The first of these, according to Hassett, would be that if Schreiber was maintained as a three-year school, many courses would have to be eliminated. Mr. Hassett

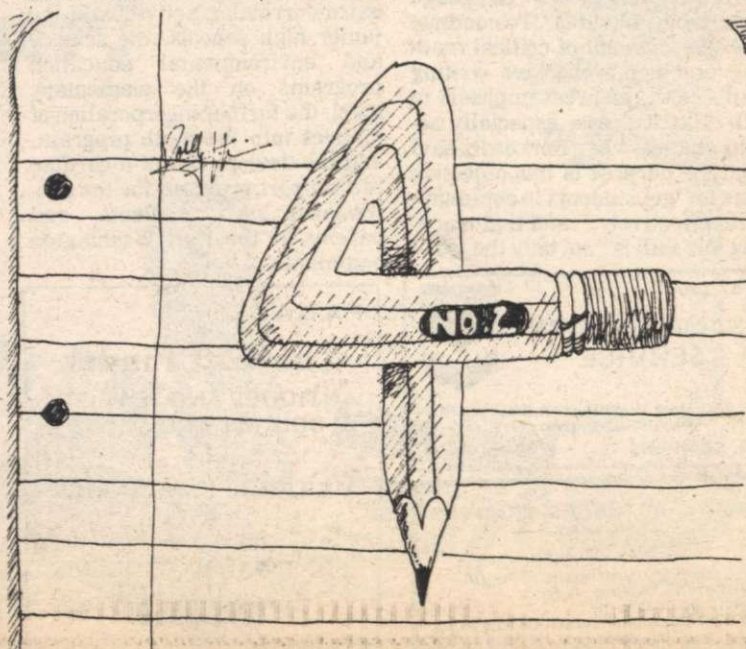
said that if the high school population continues to decline, by the time a four-year school would be feasible (1984), the 10th through 12th grade population would be 1100 students. If more students were not placed in Schreiber, by making it a four-year school, staff and course cutbacks would have to be made. This, in turn, he said, would reduce the number of courses available to students. Mr. Hassett also said that high school atmosphere would emphasize the importance of good freshman scholastic performance for 9th graders.

Board member Margaret Keegan gave the only financial advantage mentioned by the board members interviewed.

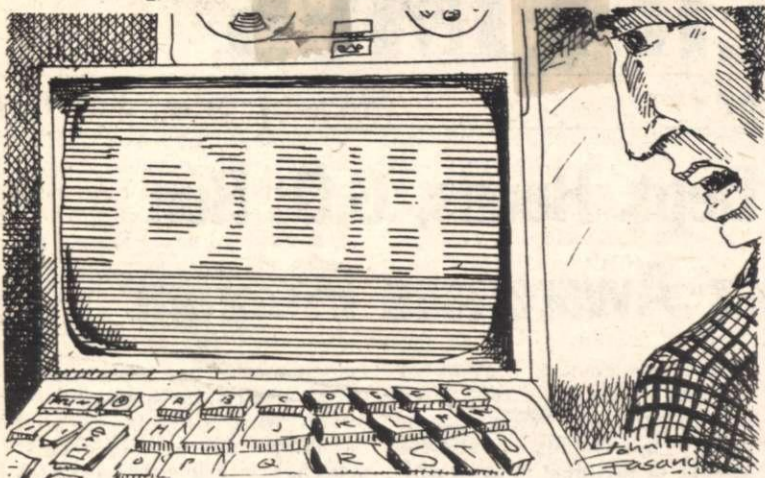
Mrs. Keegan said that making Schreiber a four-year school would save money through maximum use of school space.

Mrs. Toni Coffee, another board member, said that the only real educational advantages of a four year program would go to 9th graders because of the number of activities and courses which would be made available to them. She said, as well, that she saw no direct monetary gains from making Schreiber a four-year high school.

Mr. Bertram Moll, Chairman of the SFSC, said that such a program was desirable because of the opportunities offered to 9th grade students. He said that most educators have favored the idea.



### Computer Language Disappears



The computer boom has hit Schreiber. Each day more students find their way to the Physics Resource Center and sit down at our new computer to take the first step in learning to use a tool that may become common in every home within the next ten years. Two weeks ago all of these programmers were struck with a terrific blow - the programming language they use, BASIC (the Beginners All-purpose Symbolic Instruction Code), disappeared from the computer system.

In order to get the computer to perform any task, from doing a math problem to playing MasterMind, a program must be written. All programs must be written in a programming language - in this case BASIC. BASIC itself is a program, written in another language, called Assembly Language.

The way the computer system is set up, each time a person wants to use BASIC on a terminal, a new copy of BASIC must be created that corresponds to the terminal number. A program has been written that performs this task called @BASIC. When @BASIC was executed about two weeks ago, it could not find a BASIC to make a copy of. Somehow BASIC had been deleted from the system. How

this occurred is unknown. Possibly it was erased by a beginner who did not know better.

A frantic search through the drawers of the computer center produced a punched paper tape of BASIC. There still remained one problem - finding out just how to get the program into the system and get it working. Eventually it was reloaded. Four copies were made of BASIC so that this type of mishap can be avoided in the future.

Problems such as these are inherent with any computer system. There are untold numbers of people who have been billed incorrectly by computers or had their numbers mixed up. Every effort is being made to solve these problems. Extra copies are being made of important programs. The most knowledgeable computer users are teaching courses in BASIC (Dr. Grosmark, or by the computer terminals) to avoid further problems.

It is hoped that eventually the computer system can be used to keep school records. Before that day can come, all of the problems with the computer system must be solved.

### Board Priorities

On December 2nd, the Administration of the Port Washington School District released its educational objectives for the 1977-78 school year to the Port Washington School Board. The report described not only the objectives, but plans of action for accomplishing them.

Ed Berkowitz, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, said that the purpose of having the Board assign priorities to the objectives was so that "if we have to make a choice of where to spend money, for example, we can make the best decision." According to Dr. Berkowitz, the School Board placed the most importance on the general topics of the district Social Studies / Language Arts program, and Enrichment / Remediation. Top priority went to the first part of the Social Studies / Language Arts topic, which is "To continue the development of critical reading and comprehensive writing skills with renewed emphasis in all content areas, especially social studies." Dr. Berkowitz said that the purpose of this objective was to "get students to communicate effectively," and that teaching this skill is "not only the job of

the English teacher." Next in importance, according to the Board, was the third part of the Enrichment / Remediation topic, which is "To develop a comprehensive year-to-year system for identifying and monitoring students who are having academic difficulty." Priority number three was the fourth part of this topic: "To establish a comprehensive intervention program for students experiencing difficulty at Schreiber High School that require special attention."

Below these three in priority were objectives under the topics of Pupil Personnel Services (this includes learning disabilities programs and school medical services), various aspects of the Schreiber program (this includes alternative learning experiences and evaluation of the High School program), the curricular and extra-curricular activities in the junior high schools, the science and environmental education programs on the elementary level, the further incorporation of metrics into the math program, and the development of a cardiac life support program for the professional staff, students, and parents of the Port Washington community.

## Carter Acquitted; Crimmons Jury Hung

Mr. Edwards' American Civil and Criminal Law classes have recently completed the Alice Crimmins and Reuben Carter-John Artis mock trials. For many weeks the two classes have been working on these trials, gathering evidence and factual information for the cases. For the most part, students used information from the original trials to present their own cases. The classes also met with Gail Schwartz, the Queens Assistant District Attorney, and looked through the appellant's brief, which is similar to the official transcript of the original trials. The students have listened to guest speakers and have done much research through news articles pertaining to the original cases, which were found in the Hofstra Law Library. Some students involved in the Alice Crimmins case went to the actual scene of the crime to gather

physical evidence.

The Alice Crimmins trial was presided over by "judge" Karen Bolton. This trial involves a charge of first degree manslaughter against Crimmins for her daughter's death, and first degree murder for her son's death. The original trial took place in 1967 and was appealed in 1971. The case was presented in Schreiber by a two man team of prosecuting attorneys. The jury was predominantly made up of teachers. The decision of the jury was undecided due to a "hung jury" meaning that the decision was not unanimous. Ten out of twelve felt the defendant was not guilty.

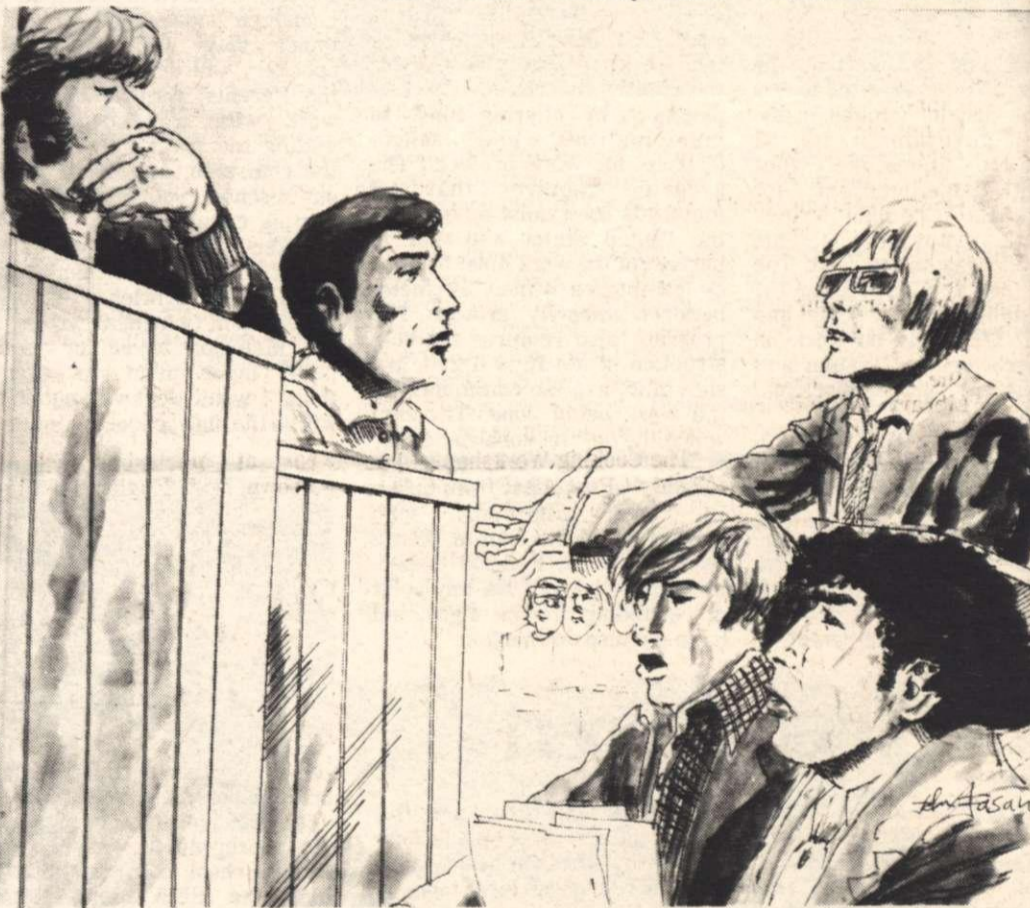
Reuben Carter was charged with second degree willful and premeditated murder of four people in a bar in Patterson, New Jersey. The original trial was in 1967 and was appealed in 1977. For the Schreiber trial there were 3 defense attorneys and 3

prosecuting attorneys. The presiding justice was Jeff May. The jury's decision was guilty.

The students who participated in the trials felt that the experience was worthwhile. They will be evaluating their own questions, oral discussions, the use of videotapes which made throughout the trial.

Karen Bolton said the experience was "part of a learning process" through which she discovered how the legal system works. Jeff May felt that money the school invested in the course was worthwhile and the course should be continued in future years.

The students received compliments on their work. Teachers, administrators and eighth grade social studies classes which attended the trial. Mr. Edwards said he felt the students did "an excellent job



Defense Counsel Todd Weston (standing) cross examines witness Joe Camolli as Judge Jeff May (behind bench), and prosecuting attorneys Adam Ash and Dean Nardone (foreground) look on.

### Poet-Builder Axinn To Talk

On Wednesday December 21, Donald Axinn, a noted Long Island poet, will speak to a selected group of students (mostly from creative writing classes, and the Kaleidoscope staff and contributors). Mr. Axinn, a Port Washington resident, will "combine into a presentation a view of the creative process as well as readings from his own work," according to Mrs. Patt, a Schreiber English teacher. She added that Mr. Axinn is coming because he expressed "an interest in his own to come and share his ideas about poetry."

### Jones Casts "Miracle Worker"

Rehearsals have begun for Schreiber's next production, "The Miracle Worker" by William Gibson. The Miracle Worker is the story of Helen Keller, a blind and deaf girl who was unable to communicate until her teacher Anne Sullivan came to her in 1887. Helen was taught to communicate through the use of the manual alphabet at the age of 7. She later learned to speak, and graduated cum laude from Radcliffe College. She was an inspiration to all handicapped people.

The play has been cast by Jeanne Christman as the young Helen, and Lisa DeMaria as Anne Sullivan. Jessica Heimer and Matt Batten will play Helen's parents, Kate and Arthur Keller, and Anthony Amen will play her brother James. Also appearing in the show are V. Nixon, Glen Fryer, La Cowles and Jeff Stevens.

Don Jones will direct the performances, with Dede Blumman acting as assistant director. Performances will be held on January 20 and 21.

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On Thursday, Dec 21, at 7 p.m., a ceremony will be held at the Schreiber library to commemorate Fay McKenzie's many years of service. Last December, Mrs. McKenzie's colleagues in the Department of Education collected books for Mrs. McKenzie. A plaque was built, a plaque was built, and books were bought and donated to the collection. Mrs. McKenzie's: these books will be used for student use and according to the system of the library. At the ceremony, Mrs. McKenzie was presented and Adm. personnel, staff and invited to attend.  
Dec. 21\*The annual festival will be held at Junior High School from 7:30 pm to 10:00 pm. \*The Guitar Intermediates will be playing. \*Port Alert from 7:00 to 8:00 are welcome. \*The Children's story hour will be held at the Film Theatrum starring Peter O'Toole. \*Call the Library for information and time. \*Dec. 23\*A Christmas House with live...

### McKenzie Dedication

On Thursday, December 22 at 3 p.m., a ceremony will be held in the research room of the Schreiber library to commemorate Fay McKenzie, who taught English at Schreiber for many years.

Last December, upon the death of Mrs. McKenzie, friends and colleagues in the English Department decided to initiate a collection of books in tribute to Mrs. McKenzie. A bookcase was built, a plaque was donated by a friend, and books have been bought and donated. Many of the books in the collection were personal favorites of Mrs. McKenzie's: these include works by Charles Dickens, Lewis Carroll, and Emily Dickenson, as well as many fantasy novels. The books will be available for student use and will circulate according to the usual borrowing system of the library.

At the ceremony the books will be dedicated to Mrs. McKenzie. The McKenzie family will be present and Administration personnel, staff and students are invited to attend.

The Student Government has undertaken many new projects over the last few weeks. The Government is sponsoring a "College Night" program, discussing procedures for evaluating courses, and is donating \$200.00 to the "adopt-a-family" program which is coordinated by Newsday.

On Thursday, December 22, the "College Night" program, under the direction of Amy Turteltaub, will host Schreiber graduates from twenty or so colleges and universities. The purpose of the program is to give Schreiber students an opportunity to informally converse with college students. The government has allocated \$50.00 for refreshments which will be served at the program.

The Course Evaluation Committee, headed by John Bikoff, is in the preliminary stages of setting up guidelines on

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the most effective ways in which evaluations are done. Thus far, the Committee has met with the chairpersons in the school and with Mr. Swaab. The committee's initial emphasis will be the English Department. Their purpose is to "make the student body aware of the changes in Free English elective offerings that have come about over the past year."

Four weeks ago the Student Government passed a proposition to give \$450 to the Student Store for the purpose of decorating room 3, the location of the store. The money was raised through profits from the soda machines, the store, and "The Battle of the Bands" held by the Student Government earlier this year.

The idea to decorate the store was first proposed by Action '77, the school beautification committee. Robin Rabinowitz heads the committee. This is Action

'77's second project - their first project was planting the trees along Campus Drive.

Major plans are to paint the walls, add shelves, refinish the counter, and change the window between the TESL room and the store into a student bulletin board. The soda machine is to be moved in front of the door connecting the TESL room to the store. A carpenter has already been in to give an estimate on the work which needs to be done. A painter has also been asked to make an estimate on the painting of the walls.

When asked to comment on the reasons for the decoration of the Student Store, Student Government President Eric Bing said, "I think it will help business. I also feel that the store is a major reflection on the Student Government. It must look better than it does."

## Checkmate!

Although Schreiber's chess club is not very well known, its members have high hopes for winning the Nassau County Interscholastic division. The Schreiber team has played two matches and has won both of them. The team beat Mineola 30-0 and beat Great Neck North, which made last year's playoffs, 25-5. The team has eight matches left on its schedule.

In each match there are five chess boards in play. The top players on the 10-member team are Nelson Farber on the first board, Marc Craig on the second, Andy Millis on the third, club president Ann Yarri on the fourth, and Ira Goldsmith on the fifth board.

Ann Yarri said that the team "almost definitely can make the playoffs if the first two matches are an indication of future matches." Ann also said that the club is in need of new members. Anyone who wishes to join the club should contact Ann Yarri or the faculty advisor, Mr. Labrocca.

## Things To Do

Dec. 21\*The annual winter carnival will be held in the Weber Junior High School auditorium from 7:30 pm to 10:00 pm.

Dec. 22\*The Guitar Workshop for Intermediates will be held at Port Alert from 7:30 to 9:00. All are welcome.

\*The Children's story hour, and the Film *The Ruling Class*, starring Peter O'Toole, will be shown at the Public Library. Call the Library for information and time.

Dec. 23\*A Christmas Coffee House with live entertainment

and refreshments will be held at Port Alert at 7:00. All are welcome.

The Public Library will be closed on December 24, 25, and 26.

Dec. 26\*The Guitar Workshop for Beginners will be held at Port Alert, 3:30 to 5:00. All are welcome.

Dec. 27\*The Stamp Club will meet and the film *Lime Light* will be shown at 2:00 pm and 8:00 pm at the Public Library.

\*The Cooking Workshop will be held at Port Alert from 3:30 to

6:00. Call Port Alert at 767-1133 to sign up for this workshop.

Dec. 27\*Volleyball night at Port Alert at 7:00 pm.

Dec. 29\*The Guitar Workshop for Intermediates will be at Port Alert from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm. All are welcome.

\*Walt Disney's film *Babes in Toyland*, starring Laurel and Hardy, will be shown at the Public Library: 2:30 pm and 10:30 pm.

Dec. 30\* The French film *Last Year at Marienbad* will be shown, with English subtitles,

at the Public Library, 8:00 pm.

Jan. 2\*The Beginners Guitar Workshop will be held at Port Alert from 3:30 pm to 7:00 pm. All are welcome.

Jan. 3\*Volleyball night and Cooking Workshop at Port Alert.

Cooking Workshop will be held from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm; all wishing to participate in volleyball meet at Port Alert at 7:00 pm.

Jan. 5\*P.T.A. Board meet for Guggenheim Elementary School. 9:30-11:00 am.

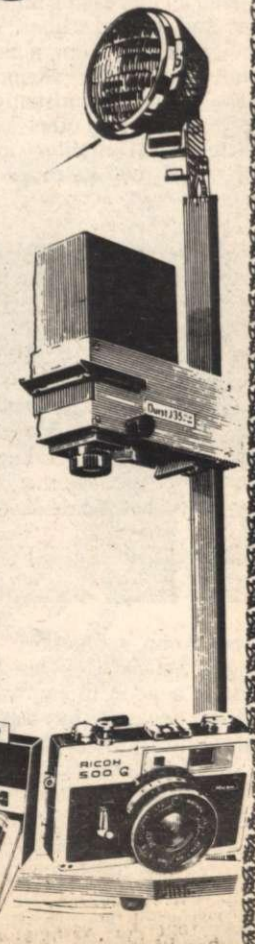
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Jan. 7\*The Long Island Sound Ensemble under the direction of Eric Schiller will present a performance of Igor Stravinsky's "L'Histoire du Soldat" in the Sousa Junior High School auditorium. Among the performers will be Schreiber senior Jeremy Mann. A donation of \$2.50 is requested (\$1.00 for children, students, and senior citizens)



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# Editorials

## G.O., Reach Out

Any democratic government, no matter how large or small, owes it to its constituents to fully consult them in any decision which is made, especially when the decision affects each person represented. The Student Government is blatantly shirking this responsibility, and is quickly turning into an elitist organization.

Government members will argue that "they are the only ones who care enough to show up." This argument is invalid. It is irresponsible and unfair to make decisions which affect the entire school without consulting the entire school. Admitted, such incidentals as the spending of a few dollars for Christmas decorations, or the assigning of committees, can be done at meetings. But the decision to continue a program like "Action 77" or to sponsor a family should be put up to a referendum throughout the entire school. To work under the assumption that just because one does not show up at a Student Government meeting one does not care about the school is an easy way out to assure that the decisions made are the "right" decisions, (according to the GO), although possibly not the popular decisions, according to the rest of the school.

It is important for the members of the Student Government to realize that they are serving the school, and not vice versa. It is their responsibility to get input from the rest of the student body who may, for one reason or another, be unable to attend meetings and contribute in person.

## Letters to the Editor



To the Editors,

We believe that your coverage of sports is poor. We the members of the J.V. Football team practiced just as hard and long as the Varsity Football team. We are just a part of this school as they are. In the future we believe you should cover all sports of Schreiber High School. We have good points and bad points just as any other team. The school should know all sports and not just some.

Sincerely,  
60 & 63 & J.V.  
Football Team

To the Editors,

A part of this school which is far from fully utilized is the

automotive shop. The auto shop is located in the Industrial Arts wing and is staffed by the able Mr. Schaefer. I recently became involved with the auto shop when my aged car refused to move. Once aware that such facilities were available, I proceeded to learn how to use some of the equipment. Students are almost always around to lend a hand. Joe Guezzelo, Joe Marno and Mike Nocco, students who are enrolled in Advanced Auto Technology, were especially helpful.

Not anyone can just walk into the shop and use the facilities. A student must first tell Mr.

Schaefer what he plans to do; chances are that Mr. Schaefer will let him use the equipment if he feels that the student is competent.

Enrolling in the courses in the auto shop can not only help you to keep your car or your parents' car in good condition, but it can also enable you to save money on repair bills. The auto shop is available to all students at Schreiber and one should feel free to enter the shop. With a teacher like Mr. Schaefer, taking courses in the auto shop can be an educational and enjoyable experience. *by Tom Stark.*

## The Inquiring Photographer

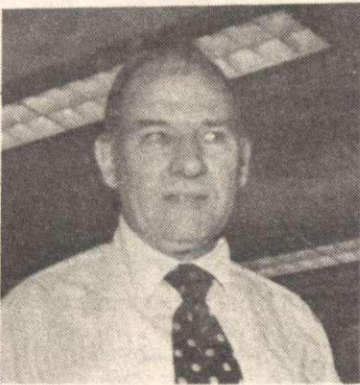
By Howard Schwartz & David Farber

This week's question: There has been an increasing number of clubs and organizations in the school, and with them, a need for raising money for various activities. There have already been cake, popcorn, and other sales in an attempt at making money. What would you like to see being sold - and why?



Nancy Kohn, sophomore: "The selling of Barron's review books would be a good money raising operation because they are very popular among the student body, and the problem of searching elsewhere would be eliminated."

Mr. Brown, Foreign Language teacher: "I think that baked goods are the most economical, and in the fifteen years that I have been here they seem to be very popular with all students."

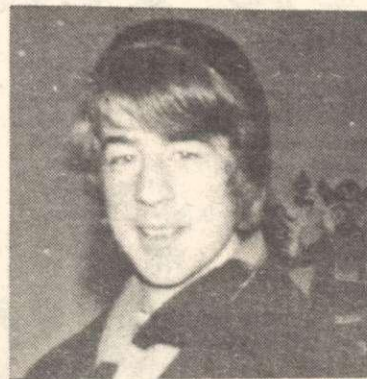


Mr. Whitney, Dean of Students: "I think that the groups should sell bagels, as some already have. The idea showed thought and originality, and in addition it filled a need of the students by giving them a good snack, which is something everybody likes."



Adam Sokoloff, sophomore: "I think that school supplies such as notebooks and paper should be sold. They can be purchased wholesale and sold at a good profit."

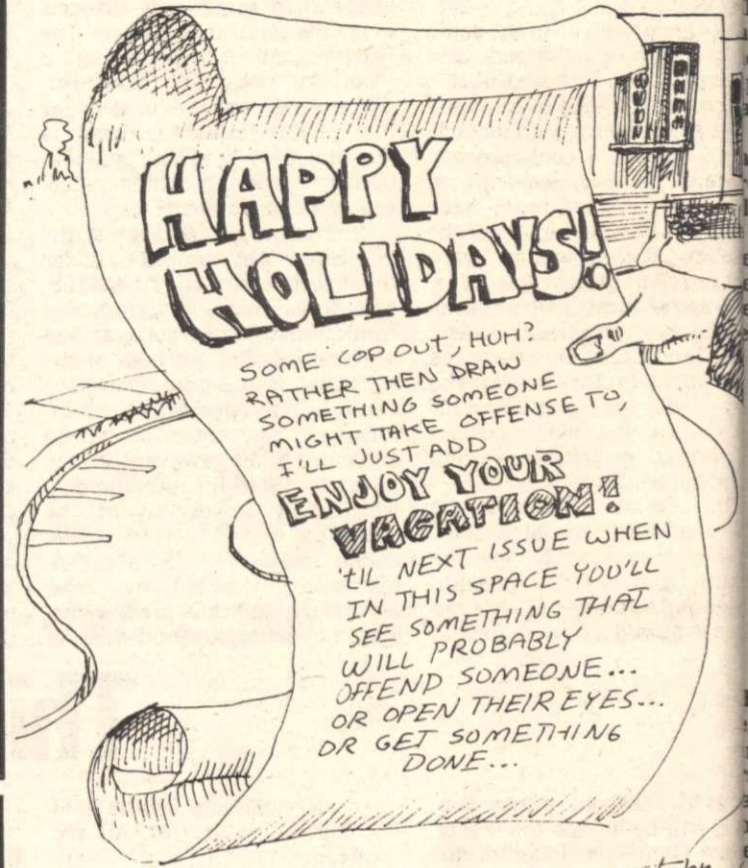
Rose Curci, sophomore: Records. I think this is a good idea, because everyone I know likes them. When I go to a store, the first place I go is the record department; it would be fun to see them here in the school. They could be bought from companies and sold at good profits."



Tom Kelly, senior: "I would definitely like to see records being sold. I have to go to the city to buy them at good prices, and it would be convenient for a lot of people including myself. Of course, whoever sells them must make a good profit, too."

## Fasano's View

"Tis the Season To be Non-Controversial..."



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## Government Asks For Student Art Work

On November 16, 1977, the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW) sent a release to the Port Washington Public Schools Administration informing them of a creative contest. Held in recognition of American Education Week (November 13-19), the contest involves having students on the elementary and secondary school levels send HEW examples of their stories, art, poetry, photography, essays, and other creative work.

On receiving the letter from HEW, Assistant Superintendent Edward Berkowitz circulated memos to all of the Port Washington Public School principals informing them of the con-

test. All entries received before February 28, 1978, the deadline will be considered. The entries judged most appropriate will be published in a government magazine, "American Education," the spring. The magazine will subsequently be sent to all of the nation's elementary and secondary schools. Several works will also be chosen for exhibit at the headquarters of the Office of Education in Washington. Most of the entries that are not published in "American Education" will be compiled and published in the Office of Education at a later date in booklet form. Anyone who wants to enter the contest should speak to his or her English teacher for specifics.

# Musicians Raise \$ for Trips to Mexico and Maine

The Schreiber Band and Varsity Choir have been conducting fund raising drives for trips later in the year. The Choir started its annual citrus fruit sale in mid November. Members of Varsity Choir and some Orchestra members have been selling the fruit to defray the cost of their trip to Mexico, where they will stay with students from the American High School in Mexico City, and perform, from February 18 - 23. Students on the

Mexico trip may also choose to go on to Acapulco for several days.

The Band's holiday wrapping paper sale will continue until Christmas. Their goal is to raise \$1400. There is a cash prize for the student who sells the most wrapping paper. Each Band member is required to sell a minimum of twelve packets. The profits will be used for the Band's three day trip to Maine in the spring.

# The Jam

On November 25, Schreiber students, their relatives, and friends gathered at Littig House to party and listen to music. From left to right are Alan Loze, who played wooden blocks and congas, Nori Reynolds on the keyboards, Charles Carpenter, who played the tambourine and cowbell, his son Charles Terrel Carpenter, Curtis Tennell on the drums, William Piat on tenor sax, Neil Smith on lead guitar, and David Tennell on the bass. "The Jam" was produced by Curtis Tennell.



Photo by Palmer Massey

# Port's Winter Sports

## Winter Track Starts Strong Season

By R. G. Rosenthal

Running in bone-chilling, 17 degree weather, the Viking winter Track team scored their first victory of the season in the traditional opener, the Shelter Rock Invitational. Unlike most of the other meets, the Shelter Rock meet has the distinction of being one of the only winter meets run outdoors. This makes for both unpredictable races and somewhat freezing runners. Last year, the meet was not held due to poor weather conditions, but this year, fortunately, (or unfortunately if you're on the track team), the weather was considered semi-tolerable.

Port was very impressive in the track events which were run

on an all-weather track. Kenny Maye and Gregg O'Keefe totally dominated the sprints and middle distance runs as Maye took the 60 yard dash in 6.8, and won the 300, while O'Keefe finished second in the 300 and was victorious in the 600 with an outstanding time of 1:15.6. O'Keefe's time is even more impressive when one considers the fact that there were no competitors near him to "push" him and the fact that it was awfully cold out there.

In the distance events, Port again looked strong as Mal McConnachie and John Gennusa finished second and third respectively in the 1000, with a long-johned Mike Krug finishing second to team-mate Art Tascone

in the mile.

Don Brenits took second in the 60 yard high hurdles, while fellow Viking Phil Ramando took to acrobatics, as he misstepped the third hurdle and promptly rediscovered Newton's law of gravity.

Mike Nuzzolese, who decided to devote all of his attention to track this year, by not going out for wrestling, easily won the shot put with a heave of 50' 11". John Fasano of Port came in a distant second with a throw of 36.'

A big addition to the Viking track team is Peter Downes, who, after the cross-country season, originally decided not to go out for Winter track, but reneged on his decision.

## Bowlers Roll to Victory

By Doug Karp and Richard Federbusch

Schreiber's Varsity Bowling team had one of their more enjoyable days when they competed against the bowling team of Garden City. Schreiber won, but Garden City still gave them stiff competition.

Throughout the entire match, Robert Dayton and Mike Rice displayed the graceful form

which led them to successful days. This helped Schreiber tremendously on their road to victory.

The highest score of any bowler did not come from a varsity member. Donald Brenits used a straight ball to obtain a 225 score. Donald was recognized for this marvelous feat, for he received a coveted trophy.

## Table Tennis Beaten in Bed-Stuy

By Doug Karp and Richard Federbusch

If you ever have the opportunity to observe the Schreiber Table Tennis Team, you will have no problem being entertained. In their recent match with Bedford-Stuyvesant High School, none of the spectators were disappointed. All of the team members played well, which resulted in some very close matches.

During the first few matches, Schreiber's players lost, despite tremendous efforts. Danny Calabrese was a prime example. He was denied victory 22-20 and 21-15 because of several shots that he barely missed. Dean Nardone had similar difficulties, losing 21-16 and 21-17. As usual, John Marlin displayed his fine serving ability. However, John was plagued by the inconsistency of his other strokes and handed his opponent two very close games, 21-15 and 21-15. It took

three hard-fought games for Steve Kaiser's opponent to beat him, 21-19, 19-21 and 21-14.

After a while, the tables began to turn. Jameson Lee overpowered his opponent with some aggressive play and won, 21-15 and 21-17. Gary Landowne handled his opponent with as much success, winning decisively by scores of 21-11 and 21-9.

Perhaps the two most exciting matches were the ones involving Team Captain Robbie Rosenthal and Co-Captain Jim Shur. Robbie is one of the few who can hit a forehand loop. Jim Shur has the same ability. Additionally, he can hit a backhand loop. Unfortunately, Rosenthal lost two games to one, despite his rare skill. Jim's backhand loop paid off in his match—he won two games to one over his Bedford-Stuyvesant opponent.

## Spertus-Coelho Win

By R. G. Rosenthal

On November 26th Port's top two badminton players, Nadine Spertus and Nancy Coelho, entered their first U.S. Badminton Association tournament, the Greenwich (Connecticut) Open. During the girls' badminton season, Spertus and Coelho played first and second singles, respectively, for the Vikings.

The Tournay was a round robin doubles tournament and the girls often found themselves pitted against teams with three times

their experience. The early rounds were relatively easy, due to the luck of the draw. However, as they progressed into the latter stages, winning became extremely difficult. Spertus stated that "We played much better than we ever have played."

As difficult as the competition was, Spertus and Coelho fought hard and gained a berth in the finals. In a well played match, they hung on to soundly beat their opponents, 15-9 to clinch first place.



## Lubar Wins 5-Mile Race

By Barry Kupferburg

At 10:00 A.M., on Thanksgiving Day, over 570 runners lined up on Manorhaven Blvd., awaiting the start of the second annual Thanksgiving Day Race. The course was 5 miles long, starting at Manorhaven Blvd. and ending at Manorhaven Park.

Steve Lubar, a Schreiber graduate, won the race with a time of 24:44.9, about eight seconds ahead of second place. Steve has been running since high school, where he was on the track team. He just recently ran in the New York City Marathon, finishing 55th out of 5000 runners. Steve trains by running 10 miles around

Port in about 54 minutes.

John Gennusa, Charlie Ouslander, and Peter Dykes were participants who also ran on the Port track team. Gennusa finished first from the team, 39th overall, with a time of 28:52.2; Ouslander finished second from the team, 43rd overall, with a time of 28:55.7; the third finisher from the Port team was Sophomore Peter Dykes, with a time of 32:58.8, 147th overall. Jeff Doughty and Dave Merjan, two Port Varsity Soccer players, also ran, placing 67th and 113th respectively. Jeff finished with a time of 30:21.8 and Dave with a time of 31:43.2.

Mr. Rothman, a Biology teacher, and Mr. Acevedo, from the Language Dept., also ran in the race, as did Port students John Bikoff, Cliff Brechner, Robin Riley, and George Tylin-ski.

The race was a complete success. Everyone had fun, either watching or running, and the proceeds will go towards the construction of new and better track facilities. Special thanks should be given to the Port police, who made sure there was no interference to the runners from traffic. Without them, the race could not have been run.



Photo By Michael Rudnick  
L.I. Junior Doubles Champ and Singles Finalist Jim Shur executing a forehand loop during early morning practice.

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# INTRAMURALS

Photos By Michael Ru...



Steve Moll dives in hope of stopping one of many shots that were taken in a game in which the Doober Brothers lost (above). Dean Celesia crosses mid court in hope of scoring a goal.



Despite annoyance from Defenseman Mal McConnachie, John Gennusa (76) readies for one of many shots on goal taken in a game in which the Sixers won 17-0.

Standings as of Friday, December 16

| Division I      |   |   |   |     |
|-----------------|---|---|---|-----|
| Team            | W | L | T | Pts |
| Bruins          | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6   |
| Sixers          | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5   |
| Trojans         | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5   |
| Alaskan Thunder | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4   |
| Doober Brothers | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2   |
| Angel Steakes   | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2   |
| "Points"        | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0   |

| Division II |   |   |   |     |
|-------------|---|---|---|-----|
| Team        | W | L | T | Pts |
| High Flyers | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6   |
| M Divers    | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5   |
| Ike's Army  | 2 | 1 | 0 | 4   |
| Banshees    | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4   |
| Dead Heads  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4   |
| Team 9      | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0   |
| Panthers    | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0   |



Dean Nardone lets go a wrist shot as Dean Celesia attempts to deflect the puck away.



Leading scorers as of Friday, December 16

| Name, Team               | G | Goals | Assists | Pts |
|--------------------------|---|-------|---------|-----|
| E. Swick, Trojans        | 3 | 15    | 10      |     |
| P. Newman, Trojans       | 3 | 13    | 8       |     |
| A. Ash, Sixers           | 4 | 6     | 11      |     |
| L. Mele, Trojans         | 3 | 6     | 10      |     |
| R. Candella, Banshees    | 4 | 13    | 2       |     |
| I. Sulzer, Alaskan Thun. | 4 | 11    | 3       |     |
| F. Giordano, M. Divers   | 4 | 8     | 6       |     |
| J. Doughty, Sixers       | 3 | 10    | 3       |     |
| M. Tarasoff, Bruins      | 3 | 8     | 4       |     |
| M. Ambrosino, Bruins     | 3 | 8     | 3       |     |
| D. Hines, Sixers         | 3 | 7     | 4       |     |
| M. Nocchi, Banshees      | 4 | 6     | 5       |     |
| J. Pedone, Banshees      | 2 | 9     | 1       |     |
| J. Neal, High Flyers     | 3 | 6     | 4       |     |
| D. Nardone, Sixers       | 4 | 4     | 6       |     |
| M. Madura, Trojans       | 3 | 3     | 7       |     |

Season Records

Most Goals in one game: Eric Swick, 10 vs. "Points", 12 / 12  
 Most Points in one game: Eric Swick, 10 vs. "Points", 12 / 12  
 Most Assists in one game: L. Mele, P. Newman, 6 each vs. "Points", 12 / 12  
 Most Goals by one team: Banshees, 22 vs. Panthers, 12 / 14

Leading Goaltenders

| Name, Team             | G | GA | Sho | AVG  |
|------------------------|---|----|-----|------|
| A. Ueveno, High Flyers | 3 | 5  | 0   | 1.67 |
| J. Guzzello, Banshees  | 4 | 12 | 0   | 3.00 |
| D. Scaramucci, Trojans | 3 | 9  | 1   | 3.00 |
| J. Szaro, Ike's Army   | 2 | 9  | 0   | 4.50 |
| J. Gennusa, Sixers     | 2 | 9  | 0   | 4.50 |

KEY: G-Games; GA-Goals Against; SHO-Shutouts; AVG-Average

## J.V.'s



Although the J.V. ...

By Bev Dankowitz

The Port J.V. volleyball team has compiled a record of 12 wins and 3 losses. The team consists of several inexperienced players, but with players returning from last year, the team has shown improvement, making "strides in skills." Coach Roger Winter has worked very hard to develop the skills of the players, and this has paid off, setting up for the season frequently and with more confidence than at the beginning of the season.

The team's greatest ...

## Prude

By Peter Prudente

Wrestling is a very tough sport, demanding strength, agility and, even more importantly, the true dedication one must have in order to win. Port Washington is a tough Division I school, which includes Farmingdale, Plainville, Hicksville, all reputed teams. Port has a fine Varsity and J.V. wrestling team. Among the Varsity wrestlers, Kevin Renga and Paul Jones are undefeated record holders and numerous first place finishers. Also on the team are Jim Frocarrone and Jim Merjan, football stars and Varsity wrestlers last year.



When it comes to conversation, well, they will make the play-off no matter how they determine the Nassau County Finals. The Port 72-35 team, but didn't play Merjan received a valuable to their team to have to work for it. The girls' Volleyball team have a well rounded three or four outstanding other team returning ability to spike. It is impossible to return precision. These girls capitalize on their County Finals. The wrestling team standing. The loss guys like Ramsey Championships.

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# PORT VOLLEYBALL

## J.V.'s team starts 4-3

## Varsity Volleyball 5-3



Although the J.V. team is less experienced, they show excellent form.

Photos By Barry Kupferburg

By Bev Dankowitz

The Port J.V. volleyball team has compiled a record of 4 wins and 3 losses. The team is a very inexperienced one, with only two players returning from last year, Maria Angirili and Patti Jones. Coach Roger Winter feels that the team has shown great improvement, making "tremendous strides in skills." Coach Winter has worked very hard on the skills of the bump, set and spike, and this has paid off. The team is setting up for the spike more frequently and with more success than at the beginning of the season.

The team's greatest weakness,

according to Coach Winter, is inconsistency in serving. However, Roslyn Beck has done quite well in the number one serving position, and Patti Jones has been serving effectively, getting all fifteen points in one of the team's games.

The team occasionally suffers from lack of communication, but they are gradually overcoming this. The team has not yet been able to achieve back-to-back wins. All are working very hard to improve their skills and Coach Winter is confident of more success in the latter part of the season.

By Nadine Spertus

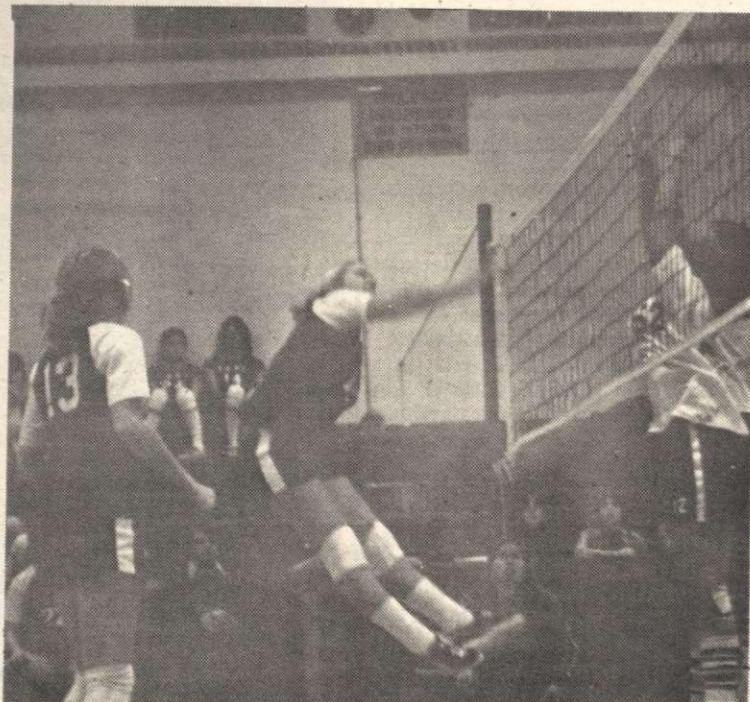
The Varsity Volleyball team is at the halfway mark in their season and so far it's been a good one as the team posted a 5-3 record. One of the Vike's victories was over North Shore, last year's league champions. Port's

other wins were over Herricks, Glen Cove, Great Neck South and Garden City. The Viking's losses came at the hands of Great Neck North, one of the toughest teams in the league, and New Hyde Park.

Port lost twice to New Hyde

Park; both times it was a close match. Their last meeting was on Nov. 14. In this game, Brook Tolley served first and gave Port an eight point lead. Everyone played well; players who stood out the most were Rhea Farberman, with her many fantastic spikes, Kathy Nolan with her sets and Carla Pasquali, probably the best all-round player in that game. In the second game, Coach Hulse changed the entire line-up. It started off extremely close, but New Hyde Park soon took the lead. This game was lost 15-12. The Vikings choked up in the beginning of this game and lost all their confidence. Errors started to come, one by one. Though the team, overall, looked bad here, Tammie Mahler looked very good trying to keep the team together. In the third game, the original line-up was reinstated. New Hyde Park took a fast lead. At 14-5 the Vikes gained a few points and took the score to 14-10. A serving order dispute took place on the Port team and the game was halted for about 15 minutes. Port lost their chance to serve and their chance to win, losing 15-10.

At this point, the team has the second place position in their league. If they want to keep this lead, they cannot afford to lose any more games.



Brook Tolley smashes the ball back for winning point.

Photo By Doug Wefer

## Prudente Picks Wrestlers for Third

By Peter Prudente

Wrestling is a very demanding sport, demanding from each wrestler strength, speed and agility and, even more importantly, the true love and dedication one must have for the sport in order to win.

Port Washington is faced with a tough Division I schedule this year, which includes teams like Farmingdale, Plainedge and Hicksville, all reputedly tough teams.

Port has a fine turnout of Varsity and J.V. wrestlers. Among the Varsity are Greg Renga and Paul Jones, who had an undefeated record last year and numerous first period pins. Also on the team are Steve Basile and Jim Focarro, who are football stars as well as agile wrestlers. Kevin Clark, Mike Madura and Eric Friz, who were Varsity wrestlers last year, will



Coach John Doscher working with a wrestler.

Photo By Michael Ambrosino

help out in the lighter weights.

The team is basically developing well, and has a high outlook and much determination

for a winning season. My prediction for this season is that Port will finish 3rd behind Farmingdale and Hicksville.

## Fine Start For J.V. Grapplers

By John Fasano

Herricks - Port's Junior Varsity wrestling team is off to a flying start with an impressive second place finish in the Herricks Wrestling Tournament held last Friday.

Showing strength in almost every weight class, the Viking grapplers finished either as finalists or champions. First place finishers were Jeff Moss in the 140 pound class, Peter Forbes at 170 lbs., and Jim Focarro at 158 with team mate Greg Renga finishing second in the same weight division. Other finalists for Port included fourth place finishers Kevin Clark (122 lbs.) and Bill McManus (129). Eric

Friz, seeded to finish first in his class (135), suffered an injury and was unable to finish the competition.

"The team did very well," said Coach John Doscher. "The outstanding wrestler (for Port) would have to have been Jeff Moss; he faced some really tough opponents, two of which placed in the Varsity competition here last year. He pinned them all into the Finals."

This Tournament is a good indication of the excellent action that will be taking place on Port's mats this year - the JV's strong lower and middle weights will prove hard to beat.



Wrestlers performing assorted drills during pre-season practice.

Photo By Michael Ambrosino

### Column

## Jim Shorts

by Billy Nixon



When it comes to winter sports, naturally basketball would be the sport that would come up in a conversation. Well, our basketball team doesn't have much hope to go far into the play-offs. Yes, they will make the play-offs because this year at the end of the basketball season every team will make the play-offs no matter what their record is. There will be a big round robin play-off series which will determine the Nassau-Suffolk champion. Port recently dropped two straight games in the Manhasset Tournament. The first one was to the team predicted to win their division, Walt Whitman, who romped Port 72-35. The second loss was to West Hempstead, 57-51. In this game they played like a team, but didn't press the game near the end. They didn't go away empty handed, though. Dave Merjan received a tournament all-star trophy, given to the players who the judges thought were most valuable to their teams' effort. I expect the Vikings to have at least 10 wins this season, but they'll have to work for it.

The girls' Volleyball team looks good, as they are in second place behind Great Neck North. They have a well rounded team. The team doesn't have just one particular outstanding player, but at least three or four outstanding players. Rhea Farberman can spike the ball almost every time without the other team returning it. Betty Cosgrove, who seems to be all over the court at times, also has the ability to spike. Brook Tolley has a hard serve that dives down right before the back line and is almost impossible to return, and Tammy Mahler has experience and technique, and executes her shots with precision. These girls have played together since tenth grade, and now is the time for them to capitalize on their experience. They should have a very successful season, and may make the Nassau County Finals.

The wrestling team, as a team, is not very good, but they have certain individuals who are outstanding. The loss of Mike Nuzzolese in the heavyweight division will hurt a lot, but they still have guys like Ramsey Boehner, Steve Basile and Greg Renga, all of whom will probably make the State Championships.

## Pedone Wins M.V.P.

By Mike Barry

Dominic Pedone, the varsity soccer team's star center forward and fullback, was recently awarded the Jim Stein Award, given to the outstanding player in Nassau County each year. Pedone was the first Schreiber player to be selected as the winner, based on his school scoring record of 24 goals. Pedone also holds the record for tallying the most goals in a high school career. Coaches from all over

Nassau vote at the end of each season to pick the player the fell was most outstanding during the season.

Mr. Winter, the varsity soccer coach, felt Pedone's award was "rightly deserved".

The varsity soccer team advanced to the semi-finals of the North Shore playoffs before being ousted by Plainview-Kennedy. Next year's team should do as well, because of the many returning juniors to the squad.

| Assists | Points |
|---------|--------|
| 25      |        |
| 21      |        |
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# Basketball Season Opens

## Port Outlasts Great Neck North

By Adam Ash

The saga of Port's basketball team continues. After getting blown out of Manhasset (see article below), Port came back to the friendly confines of Schreiber's gym and mopped the floor with Great Neck North by a score of 59-49. Led by Dave (Captain Kamikaze) Merjan, who ran into everyone except the official scorer, Mike Held, Rob Goldhaber, Darryl Graham and a cast of thousands, Port put together by far its best performance of the year en route to their victory.

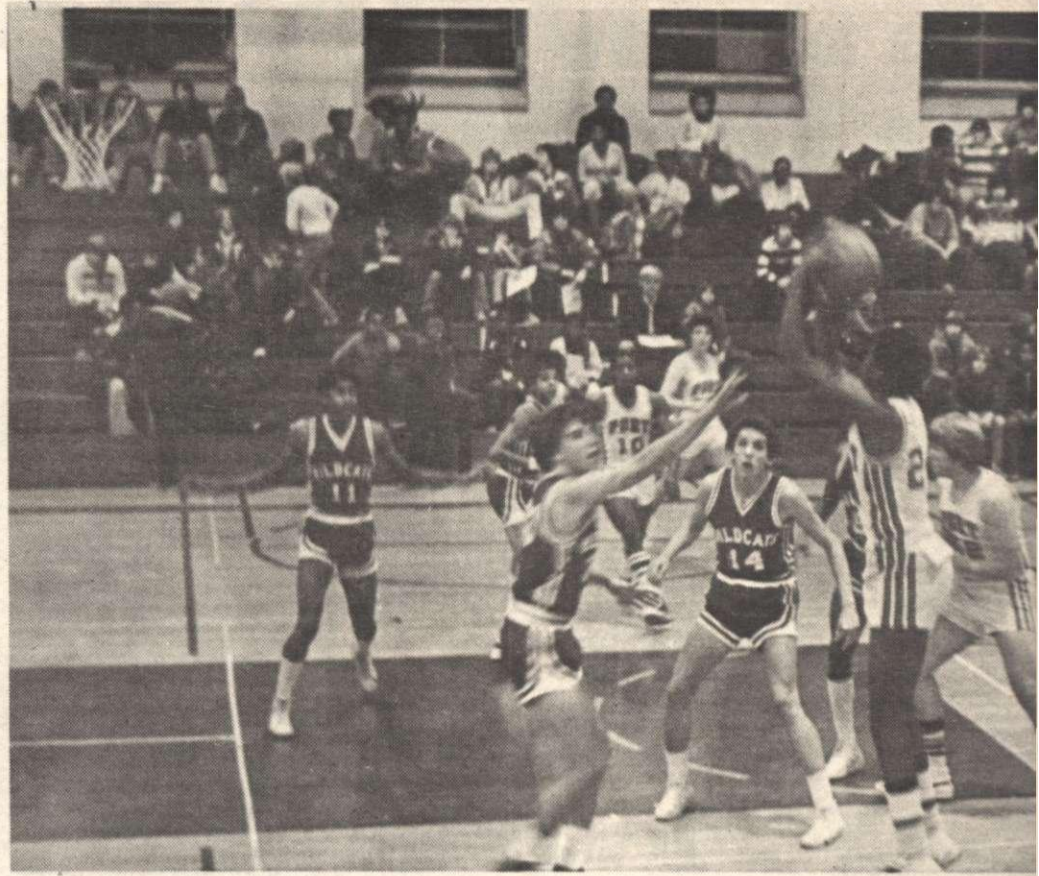
Port got off to its usual start: slow. Hitting only 4 of 14 shots from the field, the Vikes found themselves wondering how to stop North's Kyle Permut, who smoked in 7 points before Mr. Broza had finished reading off the lineups. As a result, Port trailed by 6 at the end of the quarter. Goldhaber was the only positive force in the quarter, breaking out of his scoring slump to kick in five points of his season high 11 which he was to score.

The second quarter became the Darryl Graham Show. Graham, who had rejected three North shots in the first, including one which he sent into the English wing, showed why he will be unstoppable next year as a senior.

Darryl was a blur, scoring 10 points and snaring 6 of his game high 12 rebounds in the quarter, as Port outscored North 22-13 to take a 33-30 lead into the locker room at halftime.

The Vikings increased their lead to 9 at the end of the third quarter, and Held, in the midst of a superb game, took over. Held finished the game with 16 points and 11 rebounds, including 6 of each in the third quarter. Port tried as hard as it could to give the game away towards the end of the contest, but Merjan took control, and quarterbacked the squad, calming them down. Ira Wattenberg hit a couple of fast break layups to end any doubts which lingered in the minds of disbelieving fans, and the Vikings had their first win of the season.

The best part about this game was Port's ability to adapt. North's guards shot holes in the 1-3-1 trap defense, so Port shuffled through a man-on-man, and used a 2-1-2 for inbound plays, all of which kept the North squad sufficiently confused. The guards moved the ball down low, something which was non-existent at Manhasset, and Merjan played his best game of the year, scoring 11 and handing out 8 assists.



Darryl Graham lines up a jumpshot against the tough 1-2-2 zone defense of Walt Whitman.

Photo by

| PORT WASHINGTON (59) |    |       |     |
|----------------------|----|-------|-----|
|                      | FG | FT    | PTS |
| Held                 | 8  | 0-1   | 16  |
| Goldhaber            | 4  | 3-4   | 11  |
| Graham               | 3  | 4-5   | 10  |
| Merjan               | 4  | 3-4   | 11  |
| Wattenberg           | 3  | 1-2   | 7   |
| Keck                 | 2  | 0-2   | 4   |
| Spahn                | 0  | 0-0   | 0   |
| Cipriano             | 0  | 0-0   | 0   |
| Totals               | 24 | 11-18 | 59  |

| GREAT NECK NORTH (49) |    |      |     |
|-----------------------|----|------|-----|
|                       | FG | FT   | PTS |
| Fischl                | 1  | 0-0  | 2   |
| Upsher                | 4  | 2-4  | 10  |
| Cutler                | 2  | 1-3  | 5   |
| Permut                | 6  | 2-5  | 14  |
| Bokat                 | 3  | 0-0  | 6   |
| Miller                | 1  | 0-1  | 2   |
| Pergamant             | 1  | 0-0  | 2   |
| Rothkrug              | 3  | 2-4  | 8   |
| Totals                | 21 | 7-17 | 49  |

## J.V. Hoopsters Off to Good Start

By Adam Sokoloff

This year's Junior Varsity Basketball Team is off to a good start. Led by Coach Biro, the team has played three games so far this season, winning one and losing two. The team also took part in an invitational tournament at Manhasset where they lost to Walt Whitman High School and beat West Hempstead High School.

Coach Biro, as many people know, has coached the Varsity football team for many years now. But besides football, Mr. Biro coached J.V. Basketball for nine years (1957-1966). After about ten year's rest, Coach Biro is back in the position and seems to be doing a good job.

The Team consists of fourteen boys. Out of the fourteen, there

are seven who rotate at the starting positions. Coach Biro noted three outstanding sophomores, Mike McCarty, John McConnachie, and Mike Giglio. He also mentioned four juniors who he considered would hold future positions on the Varsity Basketball Team next year. They are Godfrey Sibert, Alan Loze, Robert Corley, and Craig Borst.

The team practices early in the morning, from 6:30 to 8:00. Attendance has been nearly perfect, which shows the enthusiasm of the players. Coach Biro stated, "It's too bad they can't play their games in the morning. By the time 7:00 p.m. rolls around, they're jet-lagged and as a result of the crowds, get nervous and are unable to play up

to their full potential." The team has no set captain. The players are captain game. The team also manager right now Hamblin, a member of presently out with an acting as manager. But said that anyone, male or female, is welcome to take care of books, equipment, etc., if they are interested.

On the win over West Hempstead, Coach Biro stated a very decisive win and play everybody on the team. Overall, Coach Biro stated, "They do a creditable job. They have a lot of enthusiasm and they do well in practice. We will get better as they progress."

## Port Crushed in Manhasset Tourney

By Adam Ash

Wait, Port basketball fans. Don't send up your SOS (Save Our Season) flags yet. There is a light at the end of the tunnel; it just may not be blinding you at this point in time. Simply because Port did not play up to past standards at the Manhasset Tournament (the Vikings have won the tourney four of the last five years), there's no reason to take up watching Donny and Marie reruns on Friday nights. After all, Port won the tournament last year, and what did it get them? A trophy, a pat on the back, and overconfident enough to plummet to the depths of Division I with a 3-9 league record. This year's team has only two holdovers from that long season which produced an overall 6-11 record.

So, although Port did not return from Manhasset with any victories, their play pointed out some interesting problems. Coach Stan Makover, in his first season as varsity coach, has taken over a team which is treading water. Either it starts to swim, or it will be "Look out below."

Two strategies have been evident in Port's play. A 1-3-1 trap defense, which can be terrifically exciting and effective if played correctly, has been used almost exclusively, in addition to a fast break offense. These two types of play call for quick players, and good rebounding forwards. The 1-3-1 has drawbacks at times, because one man is often left to fight off everybody and the waterboy on the opposition for a rebound. In turn, this makes it difficult to work an effective fast break, and Port's set offense has been prone to long periods of stagnation because they don't have a dominant offensive performer.

With these startling strategy revelations staring them in the face, Port went out against Walt Whitman to prove me entirely wrong, right? Wrong. Walt Whitman High (no, not the same school which bought you that TV classic, Room 222) employs the best zone defense this side of Pauley Pavillion, and the coaches preach: "Against a man-on-man, the man moves. Against the zone, the ball moves." Unfortunately for Port, Walt Whitman's zone moved faster than the ball did, causing Port to shoot a very unimpressive 22 percent from the floor. The game was never really close, as the Wildcats jumped off to an 11-2 lead (causing some sadists from Walt Whitman to run off to the record books to see what the lowest point production in a game was) and held a 16-point lead at the half. Then things got really bad. The Wildcats had shot only 34 percent in the first half (compared to Port's 18 percent), but got cartloads of offensive rebounds (see previous analysis). In the third quarter, the Wildcats didn't need offensive rebounds, as they hit on 13 of the 15 shots they took. From then on it was a battle to cut the Whitman lead in half. Port lost that battle, and the game 72-35. In every dark cloud there is a silver lining (or so they tell me), but in this case it was a very, VERY big dark cloud, and a very thin silver lining. Port did play the 1-3-1 trap effectively in the first half. Darryl (I can Jam) Graham had a fine game (8 points, 8 rebounds); Ira Wattenberg played well, and showed flashes of brilliance. Dave Merjan, although hitting only 3 of 16 from the floor, showed the leadership and intensity which makes him a coach's dream. A word about Merjan - unlike Graham, he looks

like he is working really hard out there. Darryl plays a great game, but he has fun, too. It doesn't look like Merjan is having fun. He sweats, he screams at his teammates, he screams at the referees, he dives, he falls, he groans. After the game, his body sags. Graham's style of play is not better or worse than Merjan's, just different. Graham is smoooooth. Merjan is the Dave DeBuschere of Port. It is this intensity which made Merjan the only Port player selected to the All-Tournament team.

Anyway, this turn of events left Port in the consolation game against West Hempstead. The Vikes could console themselves with the fact that they would get to wait to play Manhasset and Tom (Mr. All-Galaxy) Emma, who had singlehandedly destroyed the Rams with 32 points and a game ending dunk which sent the entire community of Manhasset into hysterics. But Tom Emma is another story, for another time.

O.K., so Port lost this game too. But instead of giving a generous supply of No-Doz to each fan entering the game, as they should have done the night before, Port played well. They disproved every one of my brilliant theories by rebounding ferociously (although the Rams did have a few 5 shot bursts early in the game), they had a strong, tough West Hempstead team on the run, and the final score of 57-51

showed a vast one-night improvement. Graham had another fine night (10 points, 5 for 6 from the floor, 8 bounds), Mike Held speared 9 rebounds, and Ira Wattenberg played a great game, pouring in 16 points with a variety of amazing drives and rainbow jumpshots. Port also shot well (43 percent), but they killed themselves in one department: TURNOVERS. Port found every way imaginable to give the ball away, from handing it to an unsuspecting Ram player (pretty tricky, huh?), to simply kicking it out of bounds, or, even better, bouncing passes off the heads of teammates. As a result, West Hempstead took 19 more shots than Port, even though Port outrebounded the Rams, 39-35.

Despite throwing the ball around like it had a deadly disease, Port hung close. With 3 minutes left in the game, the Vikings trailed by 8, causing even the most cynical of Port fans to take heart. Then Merjan hit a lay up, and Graham hit a 20 foot jumper from the corner, a shot which you can put in the bank when Darryl gets time to set up. A defensive lapse allowed Brian Davis of the Rams to hit a layup, but with 1:11 left, Cipriano hit a drive, and Port cut the lead to 4 again. West Hempstead then crashed the offensive boards, and Port fans held their breaths while 4 Rams' shots caromed harmlessly off the glass. Then Dave Merjan committed the final Port

turnover of the night (kick ball out of bounds) at Hempstead iced it with jumper at the buzzer.

Even though Port played well in the second game, still not well in the clubhouse. Robert starts, then becomes a spectator on the bench provides valuable deference and he is probably rebounding guard on the squad. Robert Goldhaber start to get frustrated if offense doesn't loosen and the guards don't moving the ball down the court. Held scored 7 points. Goldhaber didn't get a shot. Two should be good for a total of 15 points. Especially if "Hab" gets to shoot from the outside. He can best utilize his quickness.

This team is not without problems. But they will surprise people who need: a) a dominant forward (ask Jim Graziano); b) a return (Tom Brown) or, at the very least, a crowd pleasing guard score (Mark, do you leave?). This team could be without any of these things. When Manhasset comes to town later this year, the 1-3-1 will stifle Tom Emma. The playoffs are tournament this year. Everybody makes their own decisions.