



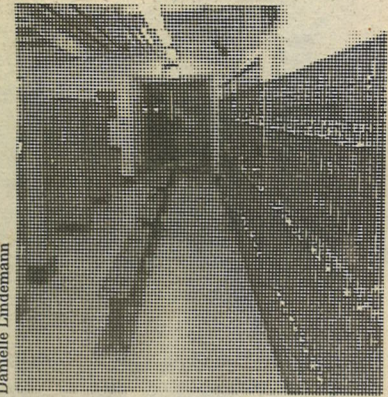
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# Hello, Dolly!

## Grand opening tomorrow night

by Charles Albanese  
and Sara Weinstein

The Department of the Performing Arts will put on the long awaited fall musical, *Hello, Dolly!* on November 21-24. If rehearsals are any indication, the talented cast, upbeat music, eloquent costumes, and hip choreography will combine to make this play truly unforgettable.

The widow Dolly Levi, skillfully played by senior Laurie Ann Orr, makes herself the matchmaker for the rich and crotchety bachelor Horace Vandergelder, played by junior Jeff Solomon. What he doesn't realize is that Dolly plans on marrying him herself. She entices him to come to New York City to meet a prospective rich bride.

Unbeknownst to them, Horace's two clerks, Cornelius and Barnaby, played by junior Gennaro Savastano and sophomore Brad Spiegel, respectively, have taken it upon themselves to go to New York to find an adventure, promising not to return until they have "kissed a girl." They eventually meet two lovely women, Irene Molloy and Minnie Fay, played by juniors Lauren Foster and Floryn Glass.

Dolly also manages to unite Ermengade, played by Wendy Hehn, and Ambrose Kemper, played by sophomore Dan Lindner. By the end of the play Horace ends up asking Dolly to marry him, and the other young couples agree to marry as well.

As the leading lady, Orr will have no problem captivating audiences with her breathtaking voice and obvious stage presence. Even though Orr is not a stranger to the Schreiber stage, she said, "I've never played a role like this before," so she still had a great task to perform by adjusting to the personality of her character.

Audiences should definitely be on the lookout for Schreiber's newest lead, Solomon. If there was any doubt that Solomon was a natural born actor in his prior role in *Finian's Rainbow*, it will be removed by his latest performance as the wealthy, stuffy Horace Vandergelder.

Savastano and Spiegel add a delightful twist to the play as the comical twosome looking for mischief and excitement. Savastano's voice is amongst Schreiber's finest, and Spiegel's enjoyable performance will bring nonstop laughter throughout the show.

Another performance that must not go unnoticed is that of junior Floryn Glass. Glass does an excellent job of portraying the town gossip. In addition, one of the most memorable musical numbers of the evening, "Ribbons Down My Back," will be performed by Glass's counterpart junior Lauren Foster.

Sophomore Dan Lindner will become an instant success in his debut perfor-



Top left: Senior Laurie Ann Orr opens the night as the leading lady, Dolly Levi. Top right: Senior Wendy Hehn and sophomore Dan Lindner embrace as the couple Ermengade and Ambrose. Above: (l-r) Hehn, Lindner, juniors Lauren Foster and Gennaro Savastano, Orr, junior Floryn Glass, sophomore Brad Spiegel, and junior Maio Perry prepare for the first show of the year.

mance as Ambrose Kemper. Lindner said, "At the beginning of rehearsals I had no idea what to do. Then it really came together."

The dancing according to choreographer Cam Gelb is, "very stylish, but simple." The basic dance step Gelb used to build on was the legendary Charleston. The choreography is complemented by the lavish costumes and custom designed scenery.

The many musical numbers are lively and energetic. *Hello, Dolly!* musical num-

bers are unique since the chorus performed next to the leads in almost all scenes.

Some of the musical numbers that you should look out for are "Hello, Dolly," "It Only Takes A Moment," "Put On Your Sunday Clothes," and "Ribbons Down My Back."

Producer Mardy Braun said, "It was wonderful to work with such talented actors. The cast and the crew have done a superb job of bringing *Hello, Dolly!* to the stage."

Photos by Kristin Miller and Joe Zeltzer



## Coming up

**November 20**

Fall Sports Awards

**November 21**

**Great American Smokeout** This Day is dedicated to increasing awareness about the hazards of smoking. There will be presentations, and other events that have not yet been determined.

**November 21-24**

Fall Musical *Hello, Dolly!*

**November 21-27**

**Thanksgiving Food Drive** The food will be collected by Key Club members in the lobby. The Kiwanis Club of Port

Washington will distribute the food to needy families in the area.

**December 2-6**

**Book Fair** The Library Media Center is hosting a book fair featuring various paperback books of current and classic fiction.

**December 4**

**Winter Window painting** Various clubs participate in this annual event to make their mark on the cafeteria windows.

**December 5**

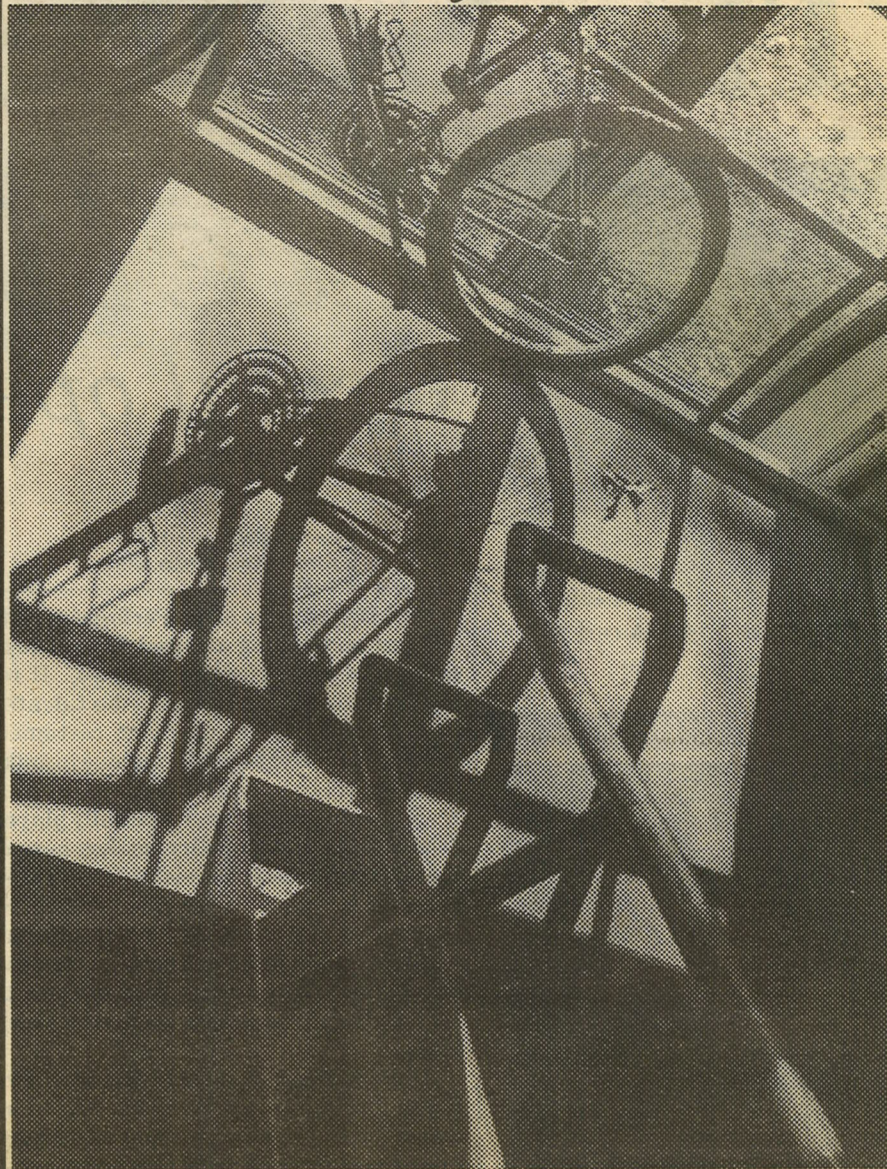
**Share the Seasons Supper** Comedian Gary Lambert will be performing at this annual supper sponsored by the Student Government.

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## Photo Gallery



Sophomore Syd Glasser's photo captures the shadow cast by a hanging bicycle. This picture was taken for her photography class.

## News Briefs

### Powers scholarship

In commemoration of Officer John Powers, who passed away last spring, community members established the John Powers Memorial Scholarship, which will be awarded to two graduating seniors annually.

A plaque will be placed at the police department containing the names of the recipients of the scholarship. The scholarship will be presented at the Senior Awards Ceremony in June.

A fund-raising effort coordinated by Trish Burr, Pat Kosiba, Amy Prochaska, and Student Resource Officer Tony Guzzello to help raise money for the scholarship is currently underway. Personal donations are being accepted.

In addition, various clubs such as the Leaders Club, student government, and Guggenheim Leadership Club have donated money through bake sales and ticket sales to various events.

During Pride in Port Week, Main Street was renamed John Powers Blvd. and a tree in the Schreiber Circle was planted and dedicated in his honor. The student government provided the funds, while Naomi Beckley coordinated the purchasing and the planting of the tree.

The tree had blue ribbons which stood for Officer Powers' support for Port Wash-

ington. Red ribbons were hung for his participation with Mothers Against Drunk Driving. A green ribbon was hung for his pride in being Irish. Currently the tree has American flags around it since Powers was a veteran.

—Benson Jose

### SAFE cleans preserve

Student Activists for the Environment (S.A.F.E.) did trail work at the Sands Point Preserve on Monday, November 11.

The students worked from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m., cleaning up and rebuilding various trails in the preserve. In addition, the students re-marked existing trails that had been overrun with debris. The students also set up Frisbee Golf goals in preparation for an upcoming game at the preserve.

—Charles Geizhals

### Job bulletin board

Students seeking employment can find a variety of job openings listed on the Teen Employment bulletin board located down the hall from the cafeteria.

Most jobs are after school and/or on the weekends.

—Carolyn Chang

### ESL students visit Rockefeller Center



ESL students visited Rockefeller Center as well as a performance of the *Christmas Spectacular* at Radio City Music Hall. The students, shown here, were very excited according to their teacher, Beverly Silpe. Pictured at Rockefeller Center are (standing, l-r) Silpe, Joel Fernandez, Yuklida, Kazumi Obara, Naoko Ema, Noren de la Rosa, Angel Silva, Flo Estrada, Lana Dias, Ana Marie Raigosa, Bessie Tsiakos, Victor Castellon, Amir Khizar and Wajitha Khizar, (sitting, l-r) Luisa Buitrago, Iris Montoya, Flavia Vasquez and Jose Molina. For many students, according to Silpe the field trip was their first excursion into New York City.



# Campus boundaries redefined

## Students must stay in "visible areas"

by Jessica Kirstein

The administration introduced a new regulation regarding campus boundaries on November 18 in order to facilitate the enforcement of other school rules.

Students will no longer be permitted to go past the picnic tables outside the cafeteria and they will not be allowed to venture past the flag pole in front of the school. Students will also be prohibited from going past the benches at the wall near the traffic circle.

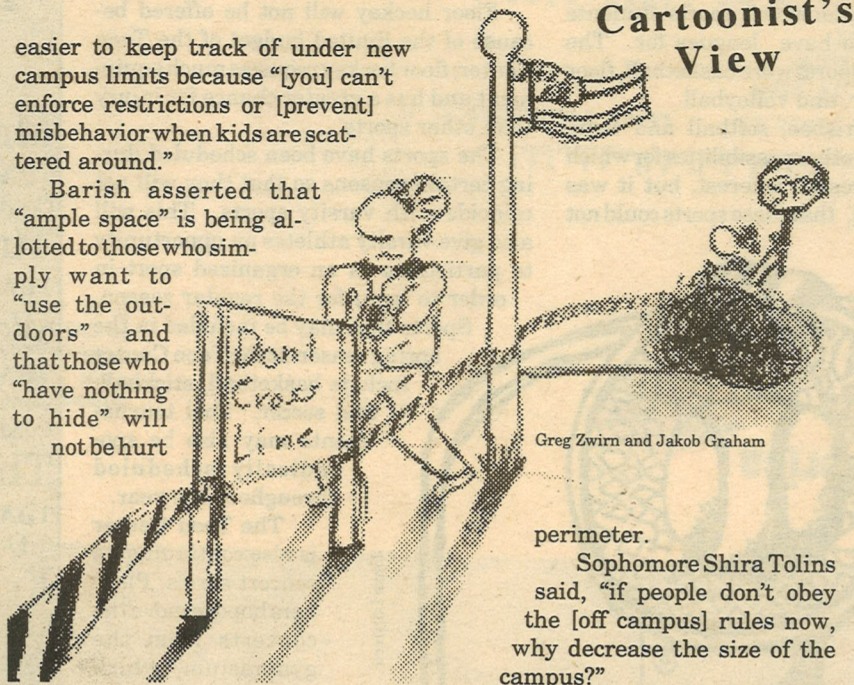
According to Principal Sid Barish, under new regulations students must stay in "visible areas."

Barish went on to say that "less visible areas become hiding places." He explained that the new boundaries would allow security guards to enforce other school regulations such as the off-campus and smoking prohibitions.

Barish feels that students will be

easier to keep track of under new campus limits because "[you] can't enforce restrictions or [prevent] misbehavior when kids are scattered around."

Barish asserted that "ample space" is being allotted to those who simply want to "use the outdoors" and that those who "have nothing to hide" will not be hurt



Greg Zwirn and Jakob Graham

perimeter.

Sophomore Shira Tolins said, "if people don't obey the [off campus] rules now, why decrease the size of the campus?"

New limits, said sophomore Debi Golub, would be "too restricting." Sophomore Pam Cohen agreed, saying, "It's unfair."

by the new limits.

Administrators will be monitoring the success of the new campus

# Traffic rerouted on Campus Dr.

by Elizabeth Kass

In response to the various traffic problems plaguing Campus Drive and surrounding residential streets, the district began rerouting traffic on November 18 on a trial basis.

From 7:15 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and 3:20 p.m. to 3:40 p.m., school buses will be the only vehicles allowed in the Schreiber circle.

All other vehicles must travel through the left side of the circle, which is now open to two-way traffic at these times.

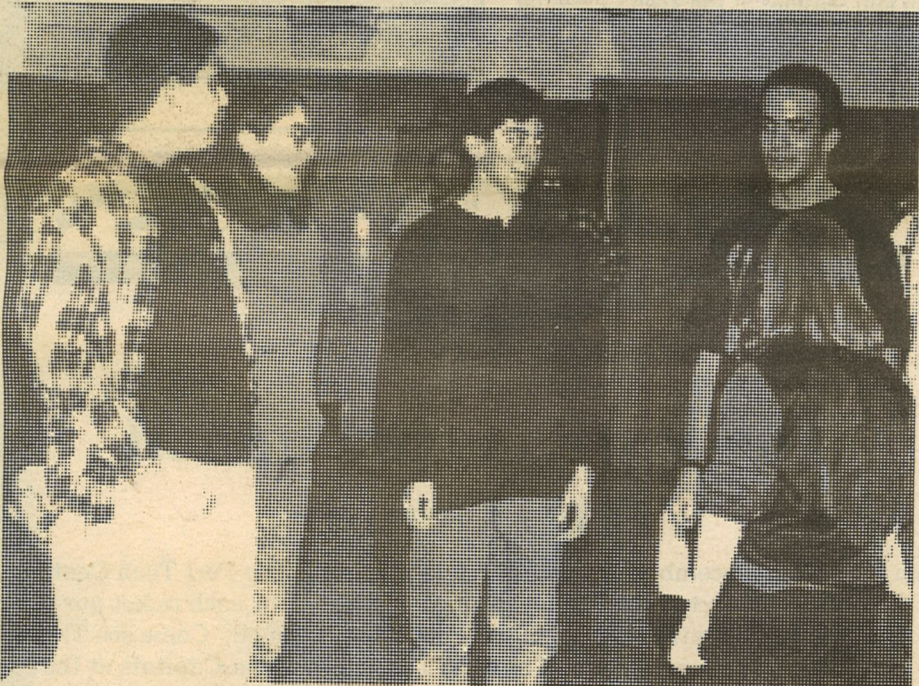
At all other times traffic enters the circle counter clockwise and can exit through either Campus Drive or St. John's Place.

The change was made in response to a request from the Port Washington Police.

District transportation director Wilma Stubbs said that once "different daily circumstances and different types of weather have been tested," a "mutual decision between the police department and the superintendent's office" will be made about the continuation of the new pattern.

Principal Sid Barish sent a letter to all staff members and parents outlining the changes in the traffic pattern.

# HRC dinner: fun for all



Jason Osborne

Sophomore (l-r) Jason Gordon, senior Cindy Polay, and freshmen Dan Halperin, Matt Gewolb, and Natalie Martuik participate in one of the icebreakers. The dinner was held on November 14 in the small gym.

by Anita Jose

The HRC membership dinner, held on the evening of November 14, introduced attendees to members of the club and discussed the club's purposes.

Approximately forty students, parents, and band members were present at the dinner.

They participated in monologues, which discussed issues dealing with human relations, and a variety of icebreakers designed to make the group interact

with one another.

During the evening, attendees danced to music played by the band We, which consists of juniors Rob Cappella and Richard Yorke and sophomores Guy Crawford and Charles Geizhals, and a nameless band consisting of freshmen Jon Berne, Matt Gewolb, and Joey Weiss, and Nick Messina from Manhasset High School, and guest trumpeter junior Jonathan Braman.

HRC adviser Meghan Freeley, commented, "The HRC dinner went very well. It gave everyone an opportunity to get involved."



Joe Zeltzer

Junior Melissa Whitcomb, sophomore George Castrissiadis, junior Melanie Olszewski, and SADD adviser Neil Miller discuss their next mode of action. SADD tutoring sessions begin November 21.

# SADD tutors students

by Joshua Gewolb

Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) will be holding a series of enrichment workshops for Middle School students beginning on November 21.

The programs are designed to assist students "with homework, projects, reports, studying for exams and all around support," according to a letter sent to the homes of all Weber students on November 14.

The SADD adviser, Neil Miller, described the workshops as "mini Cram-jams." If successful they will be held every two weeks. A preliminary workshop

was held on November 13.

"The Middle School is new and it is a different experience for everyone," Miller said. "The seventh graders are at Weber for the first time. The sixth graders are totally new. The eighth graders feel left out."

According to Miller, the workshops can keep students from making destructive decisions—both academically and socially. "Younger students always look up to teenagers," Miller said. "This program is a good way of helping the kids. The SADD students function sort of like camp counselors. We're talking about both tutoring and providing role models. Some of these kids just need someone to talk to."

# "It's Academic" places first

by Carolyn Chang

The "It's Academic" team placed first among three teams in the first of its three matches held on November 13.

The "It's Academic" competition consists of three matches, and the three teams with the highest cumulative scores advance to the Long Island final held in

Garden City.

Each team is asked a variety of questions on subjects ranging from sports to English royalty.

The six member team consisted of seniors Josh Gewolb, Kristin Miller, Gary Schmirer, Mike Sobel, and Emily Weinstein, and junior Matt Burden. They were advised by assistant principal Carmine Matina.

## Editor's note:

Christina Wei's name was omitted from the cross country article last issue. Readers should note that Wei contributed to the story.



# Teen Center to start leagues

by Bradley Block and Rikki Levy

The Teen Center at the Landmark on Main Street will initiate its sports league for high school students on January 6, and is continuing with its concert series.

Girls' full-court basketball is scheduled for Mondays and Wednesdays, while boys' full-court is scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays. Three on three basketball will be available on Saturdays and Sundays.

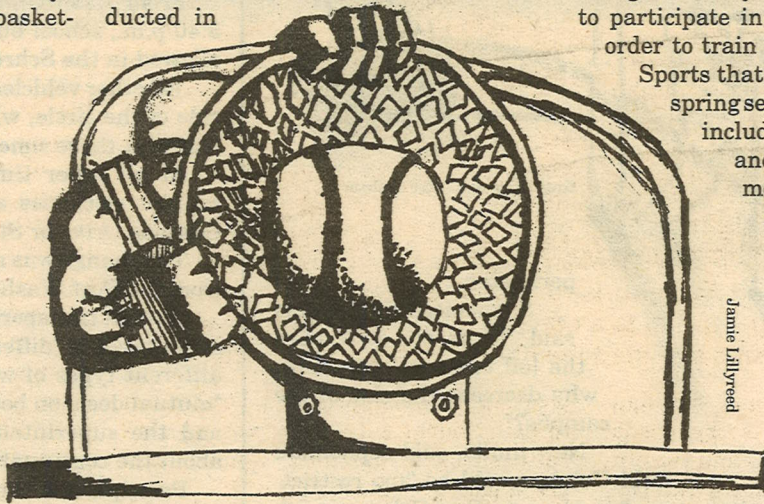
Coed soccer and volleyball will be offered on Mondays and Wednesdays. The volleyball nets are currently up every Thursday evening from six o'clock p.m. to eleven o'clock p.m. for public use. The Teen Center has a scoreboard which is almost ready to be installed, but an input module was missing when the scoreboard was purchased.

If enough people sign up for the league, the sports will be separated into divisions by age. Applications for joining the league can be obtained from Frank's Pizzeria, Arena Graphics, Jimmy's Shoes, and the Teen Center, all of which are on Main Street, as well as the main office at Schreiber. Participants must also pay a fee of twenty dollars.

In October, Teen Center representa-

tives distributed a survey to students to find out the popularity of the Teen Center and to determine which sports students would want to have leagues for. The most popular sports were basketball, floor hockey, soccer, and volleyball.

Football, frisbee, softball and team handball were other possibilities for which students expressed interest, but it was determined that these sports could not be conducted in



sium, it is too small to have a fun, safe game.

Floor hockey will not be offered because of the limited budget of the Teen Center; floor hockey requires much equipment and has a greater chance for injury than other sports.

The sports have been scheduled during certain seasons so that they will not coincide with varsity sports. This will also give varsity athletes an opportunity to participate in an organized sport in order to train for the regular season.

Sports that may be included in the spring season at the Teen Center include basketball, stickball, and soccer. Pool tournaments may also be sporadically scheduled throughout the year.

The Teen Center is also continuing its concert series. Planners hope to move the concerts from the gymnasium, which has poor acoustics and only standing room, to the auditorium, which has a new sound system, excellent acoustics, seats, and standing room in front of the stage where audience members can congregate. There are also open jam sessions at the Teen Center on Sunday evenings at five o'clock.

the Teen Center. Team handball is dangerous and there are no referees that know the "official" rules of the game. Football and softball need to be played outside, and while it could be said that frisbee could be played in the gymna-

## Fall/Winter Schedule

### Monday

TBA Girls' full-court basketball  
Coed soccer, Coed volleyball

### Tuesday

TBA Boys' full court basketball

### Wednesday

TBA Girls' full court basketball  
Coed soccer  
Coed volleyball

### Thursday

TBA Boys' full court basketball  
6-11 p.m. Volleyball

### Friday

8-11 p.m. Movie Night  
Drop-in Lounge  
Concerts

### Saturday

3-11p.m. Open gym  
TBA Three on three basketball  
Self-defense  
Volleyball

### Sunday

5-7:30 p.m. Open Jazz/Rock Jam  
Session



## Students help at Halloween Party

Approximately one thousand youngsters and their parents attended the seventh annual Community Halloween Party held at Schreiber on October 31. They enjoyed activities including a haunted house, a professional stage show, karaoke singing, arts and crafts, tarot card reading, DJ dancing, and trick or treating. (l-r) Sophomores Caroline Seo, Julie Zankel, Liz Greenbaum and Sarah Cullen were among the students who volunteered at the event.

## Mock election results

by Carolyn Chang

Students in all social studies classes overwhelmingly elected Bill Clinton in the mock presidential election held by the Model Congress Club.

Seven hundred sixteen students, who represent approximately seventy percent of the student body, voted for Clinton.

One hundred fifty-three students

voted for Republican candidate Bob Dole.

Reform candidate Ross Perot came in a close third with one hundred forty-eight votes.

The social studies classes were designated states in order to determine the electoral vote. Clinton swept all the states.

The results were sent to a New York State Mock Election, sponsored by the League of Women Voters.



WELCOME

## The Port Youth Council Teen Center

On Saturday, December 7th, The NY Islanders and The Port Teen Center have teamed up to raise money for a good cause. For each ticket purchased a \$10 donation will go to the Port Youth Council. Come see The New York Islanders square off against The Washington Capitals at the Nassau Coliseum on Clark Gillies Night as we celebrate the retirement of Jersey No. 9.

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# Amnesty attends conference

by Alex Talcott

Thirty-five students attended the Amnesty International Northeast Regional Conference at Boston University on November 8 and 9.

The students viewed the film entitled *Calling the Ghosts* which focused on the hardships endured by two women, Jar drank a Cigel and Nusreta Sivic, who were sent to the Omarska Detention Camp in the former Yugoslavia.

The film also discussed the use of rape as a war tactic and depicted the harsh conditions in that Serbian war camp.

Following the film, Cigel and Sivic spoke with the aid of a translator before a panel called the "Women in the Front," which included several speeches and a question and answer session.

Lyla Kuriyan, the panel's moderator, summed up the panel by saying, "Women's rights are human rights and human rights are women's rights."

Another panel looked into how international justice can be achieved. The participants discussed War Crime Tribunals and the possibility of establishing a permanent International Criminal Court. Another panel examined the human rights situation in the Sudan and Great Lakes regions of Africa.

Jorge Orso and Sixto Ayal in the "Afro-Caribbean Musical Theatre" entertained the students with music and storytelling.

Students had the opportunity to choose from a variety of workshops to attend, including the "Human Rights



Seniors Alisa Kanfi and Abby Kurland, two of Amnesty International's officers, went with the group to a conference at Boston University. Thirty-five students attended the human rights conference.

Work via the Internet," and "Dismantling Racism," as well as workshops focusing on enhancing funds and the efficiency of individual Amnesty International groups.

The students also attended a program called "Success Stories." Caio Ferraz, a human rights activist and former political prisoner in Brazil, spoke of his life in a poor Rio Dijanero community where he was working to build a community center.

The liberation of Ejaz Bhatti, who was a political prisoner in Pakistan from 1981-1988, was another successful story. Bhatti, who held a political office, was overthrown and incarcerated by his op-

position. While imprisoned, he attested to being burnt with cigarettes, electrically shocked, partially hanged, and given food with glass in it.

When a Boston-based Amnesty International group contacted him, Bhatti wrote back using his own blood as ink. After continued correspondence and an urgent action effort, Bhatti was released and is serving as the president of a human rights organization he started in prison.

The trip encouraged the attendees. As freshman Ben Sobel explained, "It was very interesting to hear the views and stories of others. The trip gave me this urge to get active."

## "Dirt on Soil" places first

by Matthew T. Gewolb

The Hauppauge Industrial Association presented first place honors and two hundred fifty dollars to a team of eight students for their project studying the amount of pollution in Port Washington soil.

The award is generally given to environmental programs, however, the association made an exception due to the high quality of the project.

The project, entitled "The Dirt on Soil," was completed during the 1995-96 school year and included in-depth laboratory study of the amount of pollution in Port Washington's soil.

Soil was gathered throughout the town and nutrient concentrations were quantified.

In addition, the students tested for connections between soil contamination and infrastructure such as major roads and landfills. The paper documented the students' effort to make the community aware of their work.

The team consisted of seniors Susanna Bass, Greg Frank, Joshua Gewolb, Steven Kalifowitz, Blakely Kay, Liz Mao, Rebecca Schiff, Mike Sobel, and Emily Weinstein. The students were advised by Judy Ferris.

The students were honored at an awards ceremony on November 14.



Security Officer Arthur "Pops" Rodwell's car caught on fire on October 29. The burned exterior of the vehicle is shown.

## P.W.F.D. extinguishes fire in Rodwell's automobile

by David Silver

The car of security guard Arthur "Pops" Rodwell burst into flames on the back of the soccer field adjacent to the language wing on October 29. The fire occurred during mod fourteen.

The Port Washington Fire Department responded immediately with one engine and the fire was quenched. Large clouds of steam were produced when the firefighters poured water on the car.

The flames were visible from classes

in the language department. During the break between mods fourteen and fifteen, students went to the soccer field to watch the action, even though the fire had been put out by that time.

According to Rodwell, the fire was sparked by his car battery, which was of the incorrect size. The battery shorted out and caught fire when it touched the hood of the car.

Rodwell was not in his car when the fire occurred. He said that he was assisting one of his colleagues in apprehending students smoking off campus.

## Dep't nominates juniors

by Anita Jose

The English department nominated juniors Jon Braman and Jennifer Park to attend the Breadloaf Young Writers' Conference held in May in Middlebury, Vermont.

They will receive word next month on whether they have been selected for the workshop.

At the Breadloaf writing workshop, students write, exchange literature, and

share pieces of their work. They also receive professional evaluation and advice on their writing, and hear readings by professional authors.

Students stay in Middlebury for four days.

Every high school is allowed to nominate two students to attend the Breadloaf Contest. These students submit a one-page sample of their writing which is evaluated by judges in Middlebury.

The scenic Breadloaf campus is located near poet Robert Frost's cabin.



## Everybody loves a parade

The Pride in Port celebration culminated in a parade held on November 2. Organizations such as the class clubs and the Latin Club constructed floats. Above Girls Athletic Association (GAA) members (l-r) junior Erin Kinney, senior Liz Ezratty, junior Courtney Hehir, and seniors Catherine DiBenedetto and Diana Greenbaum ride the float which featured girls' sports. This is the first year the GAA and Leaders Club have built a float.

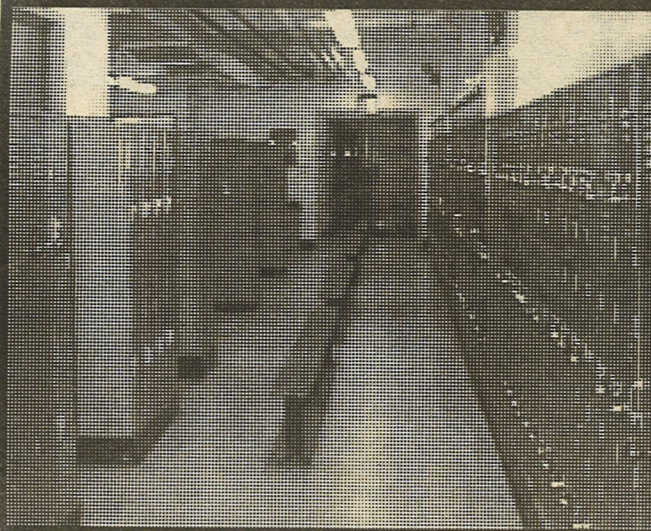


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# OPINIONS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1996



## Thief! Thief! “People take pieces of your life”

by Danielle Lindemann

**O**kay, I'll admit it. I wouldn't even be writing this article if my wallet and watch hadn't been stolen from my gym locker a few weeks ago. I mean, of course I was aware that theft existed in our school, and I suppose I had sympathy for those involved, but I never really felt inclined to do anything about it until the situation affected me directly. Some people go through the five stages of mourning whenever a rude awakening occurs in their lives; I just had two: anger and article-writing.

I wouldn't say that I was appalled when, upon returning to the locker room after a grueling regimen of parry eights and other such fencing maneuvers, I found my watch and wallet had been taken from my backpack inside my locker. Yet, while some people may have regarded my lack of surprise as apparent acceptance of the situation, this was far from the case. It is not in my mentality to blindly “accept” any of the wrongs in the world—be it a relatively inconsequential adversity like my brother getting me a ninety-nine-cent yard reflector as my Christmas present or more serious matters such as a lack of emphasis on the humanities in our school or theft. I think the fact that the theft didn't surprise me was actually a sadder statement about our school than if I had been shocked at the injustice of it all.

The first thoughts which raced through my mind, after I bemoaned the loss of my watch (for which I suffered from time deprivation in several yawn-inducing classes which followed) and student I.D., back door key, and miscellaneous items which my wallet had contained, was the eternal question of “why?” This was obviously not theft out of necessity. This was not Jean Valjean stealing a loaf of bread for his starving family; this was the needless taking of a plastic Casio

watch and a wallet containing a few bucks, the primary value of which was sentimental. Somehow I can't imagine either of these items drawing a huge sum on the black market.

In order to learn more about the extent of this needless theft at Schreiber, and in an attempt to reconcile my own concerns about the situation by gleaned empathy from other students with similar

an unsafe place. The physical education teachers themselves were not on my mental list of the blame-worthy, however, because I don't believe that it is their place to control theft in the locker room. Their function in our school is merely to instruct, and, although they seem sympathetic about my plight, there is virtually nothing they can do to curb our stealing epidemic.

In the end, I realized something which may seem obvious: the real person at fault is the thief; the girl who opened a locker that wasn't hers and stuck her hands into a backpack until she found a wallet and a watch. Well, duh. But it's surprising how many people told me that it was my own fault, or that it was the school's fault for not providing better security in the locker rooms.

The thieves themselves are often overlooked in the problem, which is odd, considering the fact that they *are* the problem. And while I don't believe we can prevent certain things in human nature which drive people to take things that aren't theirs, I do believe that there are steps we can take to make people aware that what they're doing is wrong.

One of the few things (if not the only thing) I remember from eighth grade health class was an exercise in morals, in which we had to decide whether or not we would keep a wallet if we found it in the mall. For some of us, the answer was simple: we'd return the wallet, of course. And for others, the answer was simple as well: they'd keep it without a second thought.

I honestly think it has to do with the values which are instilled in us as children. Were some of us absent on the day our kindergarten teacher told us not to

take the blocks which weren't ours? Did our parents not let us know we were doing something wrong if we put candy in our pockets at the supermarket? Or perhaps we've merely set down the values of those forgone days for more profitable or exciting pursuits.

Yet whatever the reason, theft at Schreiber is prevalent, whether we choose to acknowledge the problem or not. And maybe we should acknowledge it, before the situation worsens. In the words of junior Christina Enscoe, “I think theft is a real problem at Schreiber. People take pieces of your life, and it's turned into a virus, spreading throughout the school.”

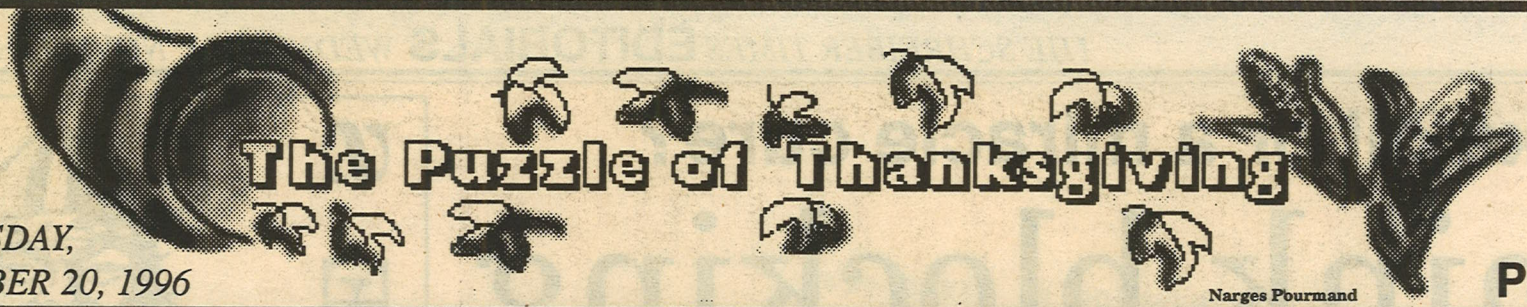


Victoria Pellaton

experiences, I took an informal poll of several of my friends. Nine out of the twenty people with whom I spoke have had items of some sort stolen from either their gym lockers or regular lockers. These items ranged from wallets to hats, sneakers, and even gym shirts. The mentality that drives someone to steal something as useless as sweat-saturated old clothes is one which I will never understand.

And as I waited outside my house that same afternoon after school (for lack of the key which had been stolen), I began to ponder where to place the blame for such an injustice. I could blame the lack of security at Schreiber or I could blame myself for being stupid enough to leave something valuable in





# The Puzzle of Thanksgiving

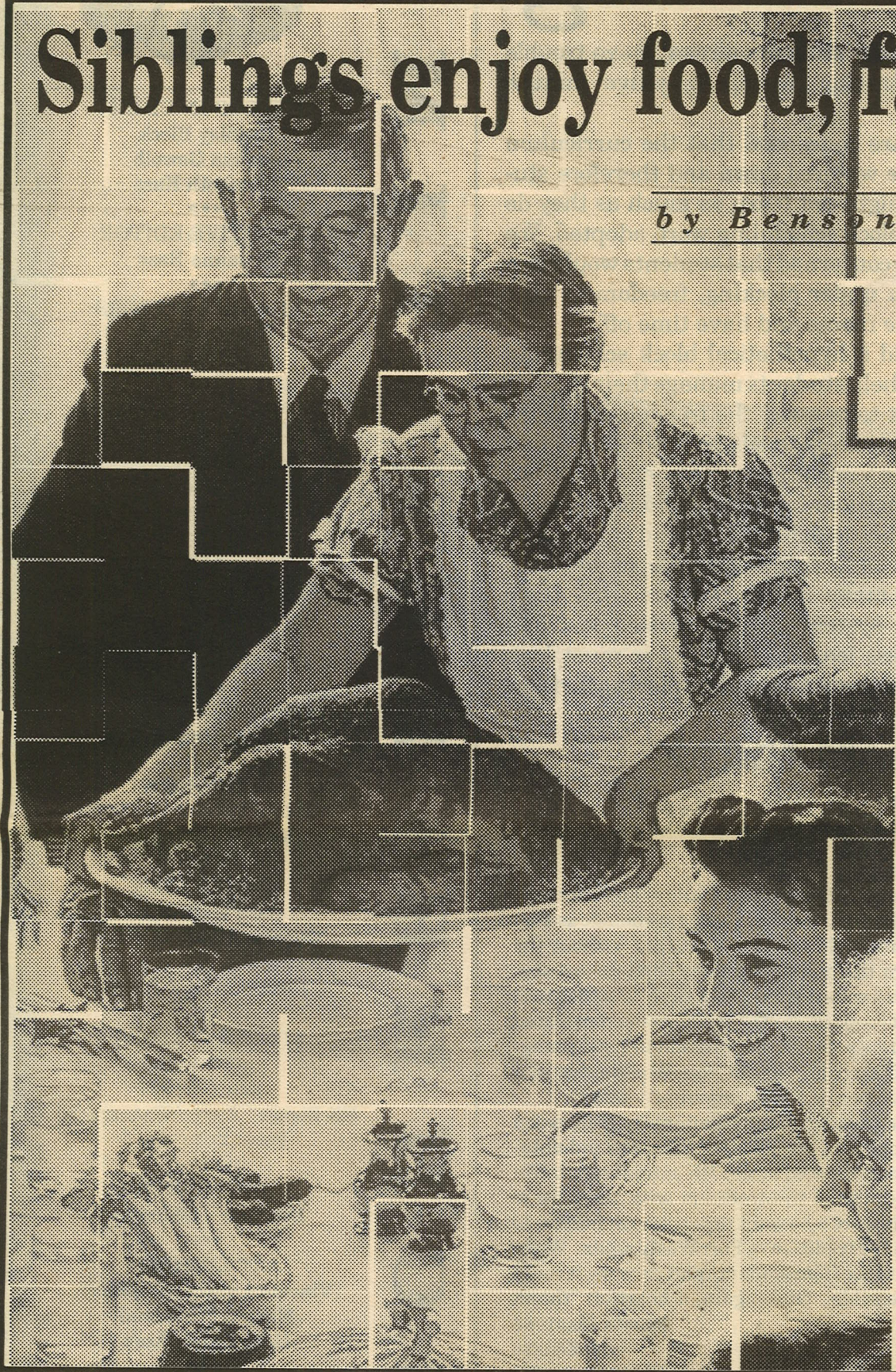
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## Siblings enjoy food, family and fun

by Benson and Anita Jose



Around this time of year, so many people are thinking about Christmas before they even remember that Thanksgiving is on the way. Commercials advertise the Radio City Christmas Show and Christmas gifts, before they remind people of Thanksgiving sales. However, in our family, Thanksgiving always comes before Christmas.

Thanksgiving at our house is a time to look forward to a traditional Thanksgiving meal prepared painstakingly by our mother. The aroma of the meal coming from the kitchen sends everyone in the house into a frenzy as we wait for the turkey to be done. Yet, through all the excitement, we try to remember how thankful we should be for having such a wonderful meal when others in the world are grateful for enough food to get them through a day.

Our Thanksgiving dinner consists of a variety of food—mixed rice, cutlets, a large turkey, salad, soup, dessert, etc.—with a huge amount of leftovers. Unlike the way in which many people spend Thanksgiving we spend ours with all of our relatives, just as we do at Christmas. We invite people we know will be alone for Thanksgiving to come and spend their Thanksgiving with us. We are thankful for the time we can spend with our family and friends. We are grateful for everything we own and we know that it's through God's love that we are able to have all that we have.

During Thanksgiving, our family and friends get together and spend valuable time with one another. We play games outside, watch a football game on television, and talk to one another in order to learn things about other people that we never knew before. We always enjoy the food. But most of all we learn how important we are to each other.

We are always thankful for the basics—the family that we have, the home in which we live, the clothes that we wear, the education we receive, and the food that we eat. Yet, during Thanksgiving, we also reflect on how we have all that we need and how privileged we are. We know that there are many people in the world who don't have half as much as we have, and we should do our part to help others during this time.

Thanksgiving at the Jose household is a time for fun. We enjoy the great food and games. But most of all we are able to reflect on the true purpose of this holiday, which is not only to be grateful, but also to create time for helping and thinking about others. It's a time when we can be together with the most important people in our lives—our family and friends—and concentrate on what is essential.

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**Brod gives**  
by Ben Brod  
**thanks**

As Thanksgiving approaches, we must reflect on things for which we are thankful. Students and other residents of affluent Port Washington take many things for granted, including their homes and food on the table. I also take things for granted.

Millions of Americans are homeless; they wander the streets of our cities in search of food and decent shelter. These unfortunate people are very much aware of the fact that they lack such necessities that we take for granted. They live from day to day, never knowing whether or not they will spend the night on the street or in a homeless shelter. They live in shelters and they have nothing to look forward to during Thanksgiving and the holiday season.

I am thankful that I have so much. I am happy to have a caring, nurturing family; I am lucky to be able to get a fine education; I am thankful that I have abundant necessities which some people lack; I am thankful to have luxuries such as nice clothes, televisions, and telephones.

Even though millions of Americans are homeless, there are still towns and cities like Port Washington which are considerably wealthy. The residents of Port Washington take many things for granted while homeless Americans and those who live in poverty dream about the things which we consider so simple, so modest and sometimes unneeded. Therefore, it becomes necessary to take a moment to realize how lucky we are and to be thankful for all that we have.



# Snake oil or a miracle cure? Think blocking

*The Schreiber Times* understands that no final decisions have been made on block scheduling, but we are concerned about the speed with which it is coming to Schreiber. We are worried that many people think blocking is *a fait accompli*.

We have a few reservations about block scheduling educationally in light of criticisms made by some education specialists. We feel that staff and students must think carefully about the issues before making any decisions.

Although the administration has made it clear that no specific block scheduling program has been chosen for Schreiber as of now, we are concerned that the possibility of having classes ranging anywhere from sixty minutes to ninety minutes might not benefit students.

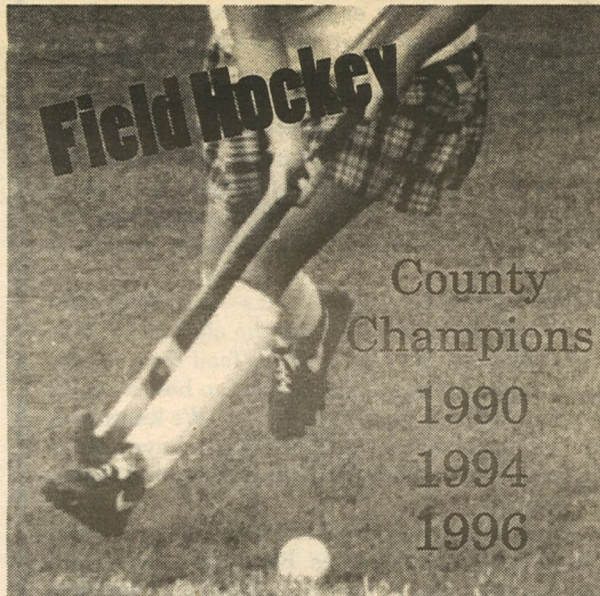
Many students may not be able to concentrate for the extended periods of time, even in adapted ninety minute courses,

since many students already have trouble concentrating during forty-five minute classes.

We are concerned that the curriculum could be watered down and therefore students might not learn as much as they do now if block scheduling were adopted. We are also concerned that students would lose freedom under blocking, freedom to visit resource rooms and have time off.

Would a hypothetical block scheduling system help students manage their time, or would it take away the freedom to decide how to manage one's own time? Would students learn more in class, or sleep more with lengthened sessions? Would teachers revise their teaching style and curriculum in order to fit a new schedule, or will they merely make minor changes from their current system? Would revised teaching mean less learning? Schreiber must look into these questions before moving further.

## Notebook



*The Schreiber Times* congratulates the field hockey team on their outstanding season. Once again Bob Busby and his Lady Vikings have conquered the county.

## Chairs thank Halloween helpers

TO THE EDITORS:

The annual Community Halloween Party held at Schreiber High School was a tremendous success. This could not have occurred without the help from the many Schreiber High School students who volunteered their time to assist in a number of capacities. The students demonstrated their enthusiasm and commitment to 1,000 youngsters and their families of Port Washington in a demonstration of a true community effort!

As the founder of the Community Halloween Party, I applaud the efforts of the many individuals who participated in the 7th annual event. We hope to continue the tradition with the help of new volunteers who want to join our committee to continue the tradition in Port Washington. Without assistance from students and parents, it could not be possible. Once again, a heartfelt "thank you."

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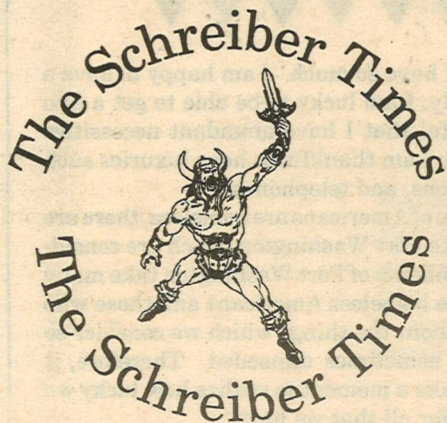
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# Give food!

You read about it in the newspaper: not all families can afford to have a lavish Thanksgiving dinner. You see pictures on the news of people on lines waiting to get food. But this all seems very removed from your Thanksgiving: you go to the grocery store and buy the food. Picture the "traditional" dinner on Thanksgiving: turkey, cranberry sauce, and sweet potatoes. It may be nice to think that everyone wakes up on Thanksgiving morning to the smell of roasting turkey. Unfortunately, this is not reality. Many Port Washington families will not have the pleasure of partaking in a feast. Thanksgiving is a time to extend yourself, and to give to others. Rather than ignore the many families that can not afford to have a feast on Thanksgiving, give something to another family, and allow them to be thankful for the generosity of their neighbors.

The Key Club has organized a

food drive for this Thanksgiving. The food will be donated to needy Port Washington families. It doesn't require much of you: just bring a few cans of food to school and drop them off in the morning in front of the gigantic turkey in the lobby (starting tomorrow). Maybe your Thanks-

giving dinner will taste better if you know that some other family is enjoying food that they might not have had had it not been for your generosity.



Nahoko Hara

## AAPW responds to editorial

### TO THE EDITORS:

The Board of the Athletic Association of Port Washington (AAPW) would like to respond to a recent editorial in the *Schreiber Times* as well as a letter published in the paper from Girls Athletic Association and Leaders Club members. Regarding "Rethink Banner Choice": One rule, implicit in good journalism, is *check your facts*: something the editors of *The Times* didn't do regarding the question, "Why honor the boys' football and basketball teams?" Harken...and listen up: The AAPW elected to honor four teams with banners early last Spring. Two varsity girls' teams and two varsity boys' teams were chosen according to their *historic* records of accomplishments via league conferences, division, county, regional and state championships. The boys' varsity football and basketball teams and the girls' lacrosse and field hockey teams, historically, won that distinction. While one may oppose our decision to go with history, we feel our goal as a booster club is connected to the community as well as the schools. If high school athletes want the support and patronage of their community elders, it seems wise to respect and honor their memories on the field. In a fast paced computer age, where the focus is on the immediate, we seek to nurture longer ranging roots for those of you who are on the playing fields now. You may care about this in twenty years, trust us. Winning is important in sports. These banners are about winning...but not necessarily about winning last week.

Point Two: Is the AAPW sexist? With a female president, treasurer, recording and corresponding secretary and a female fund-raising chair who, along with the vice president, *all* have daughters playing sports, and who are not home

with their heads in the sand, the answer is, loudly, NO! We do apologize to the coaches and female athletes at Schreiber for not clarifying the process by which our decision was based. We can grasp your dismay if you did not know that, not only were the girls' teams being honored, but that their concerns are paramount in the programs they *support*.

Point Three: In addressing the idea to wait until the AAPW has all funds necessary to purchase banners and hang them simultaneously we respond that waiting for that day may prove perilous to getting them hung in the gym at all! Money is a key factor: Our budget ebbs and flows with the support of parents and community. Visibly *demonstrating* a product, like the banners, helps us garner support for our organization by which the athletes benefit. Waiting could result in other rising priorities claiming budgetary status over the banner project. Simply put, we want them up. Hanging some of them now insures that all of them will follow; we like to finish what we start and we wouldn't exclude any team's accomplishments.

Finally, to address the banners themselves: In order to create each banner, someone must compile the statistics for the championship boxes. The reason the boys' banners got up first is because the individual who volunteered to get all the stats together, fortunately, had the time to do so. If the girls want their banners up we urge them to assist the coaches of these teams to get the necessary info together to complete the banner. Realize that your coaches teach as well as commit themselves to working with the teams after school. If you can be part of the solution, the job will get done. The AAPW respects the concerns of all our athletes.

We hope this letter reinforces our commitment to programs which honor and enrich the concept of fair play. We also are truly appreciative of the efforts of the GAA, Leaders Club and Letter Club in volunteering their time to help us raise money as well as awareness that Port Washington has a wealth of terrific teenagers, on and off the field.

MARION LEHMANN,  
AAPW PRESIDENT  
RALPH BRACCHI,  
VICE PRESIDENT

### THE EDITORS RESPOND:

The Editors stand behind the positions set forth in the editorial. The AAPW argues that as an organization it is not sexist but this is irrelevant; their choice of banners is sexist. As of this writing, there are two banners for boys' teams and no banners for girls' teams.

The AAPW states that they intended to hang girls' and boys' banners but "the reason the boys' banners got up first is because the individual who volunteered to get all the stats together, fortunately, had the time to do so." Complete sports statistics for girls' field hockey and lacrosse, however, are readily available. For example the years the field hockey team won championships are listed in a letter sent to field hockey players by Coach Bob Busby in August 1996. Field hockey records prior to the Coach Busby era are also available. (See Jack White, *Sec. 8 Sports Record Book*, New York: New York State Public High School Athletic Association, 1987 for pre-1987 records and the *Port Light* for interim years. During this entire era no championships were won.) It is not accurate to argue that compiling the girls' statistics would be time-con-

suming.

In its letter, the AAPW states that it does not have funds to hang banners honoring all teams at the same time. This was not advocated by the *Times* in the editorial. We advocate each gender equally, not honoring good and bad sports teams equally.

The AAPW states that they "elected ... two varsity girls' teams and two varsity boys' teams" to honor. This may be the case but the fact remains that only two teams have actually been honored; both of which are boys teams. It is irrelevant that girls teams were selected for honors. Only boys teams were actually honored.

Finally, the AAPW says that they selected teams to honor based on their "historic record of accomplishments via league, conference, division, county, regional and state championships." However they stated that they have not been able to put up the girls' banners because they need someone to "compile the statistics for the championship boxes." There is an obvious contradiction here: If the AAPW does not even know how many championships the girls have won then how did they know their records are superior to those of other teams? We applaud the AAPW's decision to "go with history" — perhaps the teams they chose are actually those with the best historical records — but their own letter makes clear that this would be purely a coincidence.

*The Times* respects Schreiber's history but at the same time we feel that it is important to not even give the appearance of sexism in this day and age.

We applaud the AAPW's decision to encourage today's athletes by emphasizing their ties to the past but athletes cannot feel ties to the past if they feel slighted.



# Students discuss Different Perc

## Students find light in Young Life Fol

by Jon Braman

We are always looking to be welcomed, to fit in, and to find friends, direction and answers. Many students have found this support and enjoyment in a Christian outreach group called Young Life.

The group, though loved by many, has aroused the suspicion of some students and Port residents who view it as an evangelist gathering.

Young Life in Port Washington is three years old. It is run by Sharon and Mark Hovanic, a young couple who have opened up their home to kids.

Mrs. Hovanic has been volunteering as a Young Life leader for the past eight years. "I see it make a difference in people's lives" when they join Young Life, she said. "I open my house so that people will have a safe place to go where they are always welcome."

Around sixty Schreiber students participate in Young Life. Many active members graduated last year. Most students find out from friends who have gone and start by going to the weekly meetings, known as Club.

Club meetings are open and are held on Wednesday nights; you do not have to join or belong to attend. On the Hovanic's warmly lit porch a sign invites you inside, asking only that you take off your shoes at the door.

The Hovanics foster an extremely friendly and open atmosphere which surrounds everyone who arrives. Sophomore Jen Spellman recalls her first meeting, "They cheered for me; they made me feel so welcome."

Club usually begins with songs. Mr. Hovanic strums the chords on his guitar and the words are projected onto a sheet/screen by an overhead projector. Whether singing "I'll Be There for You" by the Rembrants or "No Rain" by Blind Melon,

the energy and spirit of the rising voices is easy to feel.

A game usually follows the singing. Sometimes the students play twister; sometimes there are trivia games and creative or physical challenges with real prizes. A movie trivia winner might acquire a cartoon-character toothbrush. The person who can jump over a ten-dollar bill while holding her toes might be able to keep it.

One night they put on skits in which the male in a couple sat down on a chair in front of an audience of friends. He was given one minute to sweet-talk the girl on his lap out of "pieing" him with the aluminum pan of whipped cream she held. Later the same night, Mr. Hovanic read a well received excerpt from *Everything I Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten*, by Robert Fulghum.

After a short talk from Mr. Hovanic on a religious or spiritual theme, Club usually concludes with a song, often "Amazing Grace," and a short prayer. Afterwards, people can hang out enjoying food, watching television, or engaging the Hovanics in conversation on anything on their minds. From wide smiles and enthusiastic applause it is clear that people are thoroughly enjoying themselves.

"Young Life is a chance to experience the greatest things in life," said Mr. Hovanic, "to laugh, sing and make lasting friendships."

Young Life is also openly religious. Mark often quotes the Bible and discusses Jesus in his talks, but he also stresses the importance of free thinking on religious matters. "God is a personal thing," he said, "for every individual to figure out where they fit in."

"Port is great because of its diversity," he continued. "We should believe what we want. Different religions can exist together."

The confusion among parents and students over Young Life has mainly revolved around the religious element of the group. Some non-Christian parents and students fear that their friends are going to be swayed by the discussion into conversion.

Rabbi Jeffrey K. Salkin of Community Synagogue recently wrote an article in that Temple's newspaper to inform Jewish parents about Young Life. He did not condemn it but warned of its tendency to proselytize.

To many Schreiber students, Young Life's welcoming spirit has seemed to encourage the attendance of students of all religions. Mr. Hovanic is sometimes present at Schreiber sports activities, where he supports members of Young Life. Earlier this year he had occasionally met Young Life members in front of Schreiber as students were waiting for their buses. The school district has since disallowed this because of complaints from parents that he was trying to get kids to join the organization.

One student with a non-Christian background who said

she is observant of her own religion, attended a Young Life meeting with a friend. Her parents had not known initially that she was going. They were very angry to find out, and on her parents'

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## To seek answers, to know God

by Narges Pourmand

Who are we? Where have we come from, and where are we going? Why are we in this world, and what are we supposed to do here?

Human beings have been constantly trying to discover the answers to these questions. And it is possible if we wholeheartedly devote ourselves to seeking them—put our faith in God and find the key. Every human being is destined to return to our heavenly source, but each of us is also responsible for our ultimate destination: luminous proximity to the divine Essence and eternal happiness, or the darkness of separation and eter-

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nal loss and estrangement.

Every authentic religion has two dimensions: an outward, "exoteric" side, and an inner, spiritual side, its "esoteric" dimension. Although they all share the same basic principles, the exoteric dimensions of the different religions differ in detail because of the influences of time, place, particular civilizations and different mentalities. But the esoteric dimension of each religion is like the summit of a pyramid; it is one and unique. The esoteric dimension involves

the spiritual senses and is only accessible to those who have already put into practice, fulfilled and moved beyond the external stage.

Our duty on earth is to educate ourselves in order to become a source of good and benefit for others. We should not view this world as a playground for our pleasures. It is a school for working towards perfection and gaining spiritual maturity, a field we must cultivate in order to gather our harvest in the other world.

We must be active in the world, but not for purely material goals. If we do obtain an earthly harvest we must use it properly. The best line of conduct for our life in this world is not to be the slave of our desires, but instead to establish the right balance between the four pillars of this existence: between this world and the other world, between the body and the soul. In order to reach true knowledge and understanding, we must come to know God, and only those who know their 'self' can truly know God.

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## Reaching the Revelation

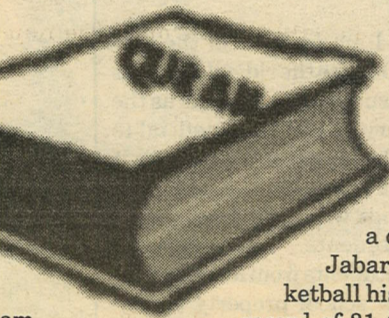
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The word 'Islam' means to surrender. Practicing Islam involves freely accepting God's commandments. Muslims must follow the Islamic law or 'Sharia.' This law says, "no alcohol, no gambling and no pork." Basically, a Muslim's life revolves around religion.

During the modern period, Islam has continued to win new converts, Malcolm X was a famous Muslim civil rights leader. Hakeem Olajuwon is a Muslim basketball player. Mike Tyson, who only lost two out of forty-seven fights in his career, is also a converted Muslim. Kareem-Abdul

Jabar has the most career points in basketball history. He broke Wilt Chamberlain's record of 31,419 points. He too is a Muslim.



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## Reaching the age of reason

by Frank Peluso

I was Catholic until I reached my age of reason. This was when I decided that religion was not for me.

Most people find religion comfortable, and for some people it's a way of life. I, however, find it hypocritical and a waste of time.

Why spend your whole life worshipping some god that may or may not be there when you die?

Why spend your whole life believing in values and rules that may or may not hold true in the afterlife?

Why? Because of faith? I think that is nonsense. Faith is something you put in hoping a sick relative recovers from an illness. Faith is some-

thing that you put in hoping that your friends are going to be there for you when you need them. Faith is something that you put in hoping your favorite sports team wins its championship, but for crying out loud don't misuse faith by putting it in a religion that can't even be truthfully supported.

I also find religion a loss of individuality. People in the church never want to hear what you really think or what you have to say; instead they want to hear you say how good God is and how great their religion is for people. Why spend your whole life following beliefs that were made up by other

**'People should learn to live by their own set of morals.'**

people?

People should learn how to live by their own set of morals and values and not ones made up by other people. If people would just speak their minds and not speak from a book, like most Christians do with the Bible, I think this world would be a healthier place.

## The road paved for us

by Dara Silverstein

Everyone always says that when they "grow up" they are going to be extremely different from their parents. We all want to believe that the morals our parents teach us are not going to be the morals we will live by when we finally move out. But in reality the things our parents teach us pave a road for our futures.

I am a practicing Jew, and I know that when I am able to choose whether or not to practice anymore, I will definitely choose to continue practicing Judaism. Religion plays a very important role in everyone's lives. Religion is just as important to people who never pray as it is to people who pray on a regular basis. Everyone practices their own religion in different ways. And most likely these are the same ways their parents practice religion.

Religion is a part of everyday life. It is what makes you pause before you make an important decision. It is that little voice inside of you that tells you how to treat other people and reminds you of your family's history. My parents have taught me to be proud of who I am and from where I came. And I strongly believe that everyone should be proud of who they are because it will help to make he or she a more self-confident person.

As we all get older, "old" gets younger and "young" gets older. It is like a continuing circle. We will become our parents and our children will become us and so on. Along with the ongoing circle goes an ongoing set of traditions and customs. And although at this stage in our lives we

are uncertain of our own futures, I believe we all know that the good examples we learn from our parents are the examples by which we ourselves will want to live.

Today, people talk about our generation like it is heading for disaster. But it really isn't. We are all independent thinkers with millions of wonderful ideas waiting to be invented or explored. We no longer have our brains trained to learn only what is being taught, but they are also trained to think our own

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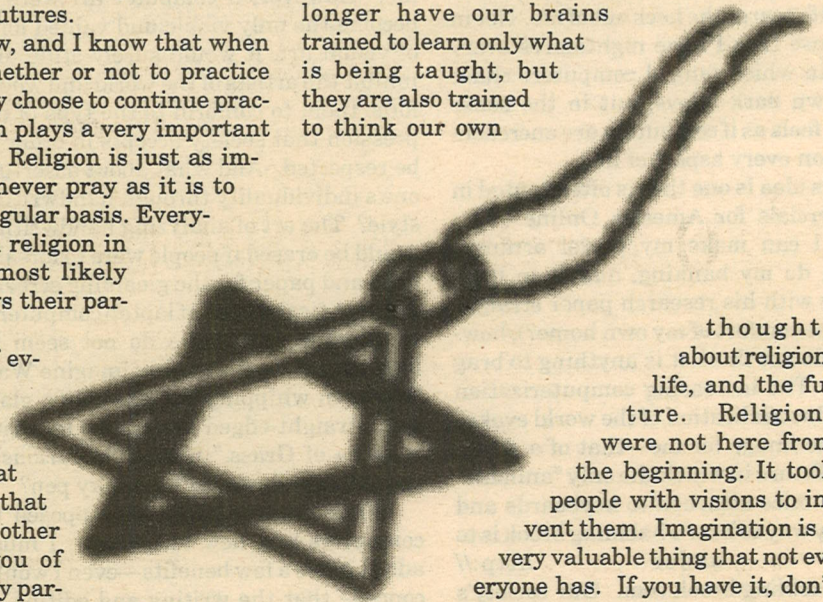
in any way except to honor him.

The world into which Jesus was born was one dominated by Romans. Jesus made many enemies because of his preaching and was eventually crucified. The Roman Empire threatened Jesus' followers with intolerable tortures and unimaginable deaths. Ironically, after all this suffering, Christianity was made the official religion of the Roman Empire. Since then, the religion has divided into numerous denominations.

The beliefs of Christianity are based on the records of the Holy Bible, a chronicle beginning at the creation of the universe and ending at the book of Revelation, a prophecy of the end of the world. Christians also believe that Jesus will return one day.

Christianity's influence throughout the ages has been astounding, and its doctrines have been studied, analyzed, and believed by some of the greatest minds the world has ever seen. Christianity's greatest virtues, however, are its faith, hope, and charity towards mankind.

I, too, have had my doubts. The reason I always go back to believing is because Christianity helps me to be a person who will live a happy and good-hearted life.



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Religion is part of life, and your life is only a small space in time. Don't act like religion isn't important to you, because religion makes a difference in your identity. Despite what people say, our generation is on its way to being culturally diverse. Every one of us has something special to offer or to give. Our parents paved the way for us, and we must now pave a path for the next generation.



# Appreciating freedom

*Students with Persian backgrounds discuss Iran*

by Narges Pourmand  
and Leila Nodjumi

For the past 20 years, the suppression of political liberties, literature, art, theater, and music has brought Iran into a dark period. As we in the United States are crossing the "bridge to the twentieth century," Iran is suffering political, economic, and social turmoil.

During the reign of the Shah, however, Iran experienced a massive westernization. It was rich in every sense, morally, culturally,

and economically. Poets, such as Mowlana Rumi, contributed to the society by teaching lessons of love for God.

Islamic fundamentalists, led by Ayatollah Khomeini, feared this modernization, calling it "the devil," and incited riots which quickly brought about the revolution. The Shah and his family were banished, and Iran was left in darkness.

The Ayatollah Khomeini seized control and immediately changed Iran into a rigid and strict society. Men were dominant over women, who now had to be very careful how they dressed in public. Their hair had to be completely covered or they would risk being arrested. Art and music were completely banned. The only way people could enjoy these "privileges" was

to have them illegally imported.

The educational system was also poor; money that was needed for schools was instead being spent on military warfare. It was at this time that the war between Iran and Iraq broke out. Lasting eight years, this war further increased the hardships of the country.

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Today, the situation in Iran has worsened. Intense inflation has contributed to the country's economic downfall. Overpopulation has caused increases in pollution in major cities and poverty.

Those who desire a better education usually leave Iran to attend foreign schools, where a greater variety of choices are available to both genders.

Iranians who have immigrated to the United States can truly appreciate the many opportunities and freedoms at their disposal in the western world.

There are so many liberties taken for granted in the United States; things ranging from showing your hair in public to freedom of speech and expression. It's sad that people don't appreciate what they really have until it is taken away from them. With all the opportunities at our disposal, we must take advantage of our good fortune to be living in a country where we can fulfill our goals.

# Junior condemns computer age

by Ilana Keane

I seem to suffer from the bizarre malady of not being able to see a computer without cringing. Call me a neo-Luddite (or just someone who has not yet mastered the fine art of saving a paper onto a disk), but the idea of a world in which computers are an integral part of daily life scares the heck out of me. Not in the sense that I have nightmares every night in which fanged computers chase me down dark alleys, but in the sense that it feels as if computers are encroaching upon every aspect of life.

This idea is one that is often touted in commercials for America Online ("You mean I can make my travel arrangements, do my banking, and help little Jimmy with his research paper straight from the comfort of my own home?"), however I do not think it is anything to brag about. The increasing computerization and industrialization of the world evokes only one image for me—that of a stark, sterile future in which the only "animals" are the mice attached to keyboards and the only way to hear a babbling brook is to click under <http://www.babbling.brook.com>. Our society's ever-increasing emphasis on computers and technology leads only to less face-to-face contact between people and encourages people who are already only loosely tethered to nature to cut off ties with Mother Nature completely. It also encourages the use of cubicles as a valid way of organizing people, something I find deeply disturbing, seeing as people are not knee socks to be filed neatly away.

In addition to increasing the isolation of human beings from one another and from nature, increasing technology and computerization also leads to a decreased emphasis on creativity and individuality. If some artists want to create their art on a flickering computer screen instead of a canvas while clutching a mouse instead of a paintbrush, that's fine with me. However, if computer art were to become the only viable and valued form of visual art, it would surely stifle and inhibit the artists of the world and would force them to conform to the type of expression that society accepts in order to be respected. And what about asserting one's individuality through handwriting style? The art of analyzing handwriting would be erased if people were to forsake pens and paper for the gleaming screens and identical letters of laptop computers. In general, computers do not seem to foster creativity. Can you imagine Walt Whitman whipping out a beeping, glaring, straight-edged computer to write "Leaves of Grass," instead of furiously scribbling it down with an inky pen?

While I am ideologically opposed to computers and new technology, I must admit it has a few benefits—even I would concede that the writing and editing of this article was facilitated by a computer. However, the apparent fact that no one will be allowed to pass over the bridge to the 21st century without first presenting a computer license at the toll booth greatly upsets me. I realize that it will probably be necessary to become more computer-literate in the next few years, but I, for one, will be investing in a quill pen and a bottle of ink.

# Freshman favors campus boundaries

by Daniel Halperin

I am in favor of the new campus boundaries. The new restrictions, which will prohibit students from going past the flag pole at the front of the school or past the picnic tables outside of the cafeteria, will keep students safe and out of trouble. These rules make it harder for students to leave campus and smoke. The new perimeter has its problems, but they are outweighed by advantages. The boundaries provide enough space for those who have nothing to hide, and they limit space enough to keep us safe at the same time.

The new perimeter will keep students on campus. In their eyes, I am sure that the changes are bad news, but if they were to get hurt while off campus they would be in trouble and the school would be held responsible. Therefore, this administrative action will protect both the students and the school.

The boundaries also help to prevent students from smoking. They keep students in sight of security guards. Given the school's smoke-free policy and the guards' enforcement of it, the new restrictions prevent students from smoking. I have run into students "just sitting down" on the way to Whitney Field who reeked of cigarette smoke. The new boundaries should help to prevent this.

There are disadvantages to the new boundaries. They will limit the areas

available to students. Those students who wish to see the *other* side of the flagpole during the school day are at a disadvantage as a result of the new regulations. Using the flagpole as an end to school property is flat out ridiculous. It prevents students from walking on almost the entire island. If the area past the plane of the flagpole were out of the sight of the security guards, this would be an understandable limitation, but neither criteria is satisfied here. Another problem with the flagpole is that on its plane there are no other boundaries, and thus this rule is hard to enforce and observe. Perhaps extending the boundary to the Administration Building and nearby speed bump would be more effective and pleasing. Using the flagpole as the front boundary is a minor problem, as it only limits the territory available to students a few yards more than is truly appropriate.

To recap, I am in favor of the new boundaries. Despite the ridiculous parts of the policy, such as the flagpole as the front boundary, it will be beneficial to students in the long run. By making it more difficult to smoke, the new campus boundaries will help deter smoking among students. The policy will also prevent students from leaving campus. The new school property perimeter will create a better, safer learning environment for all students.

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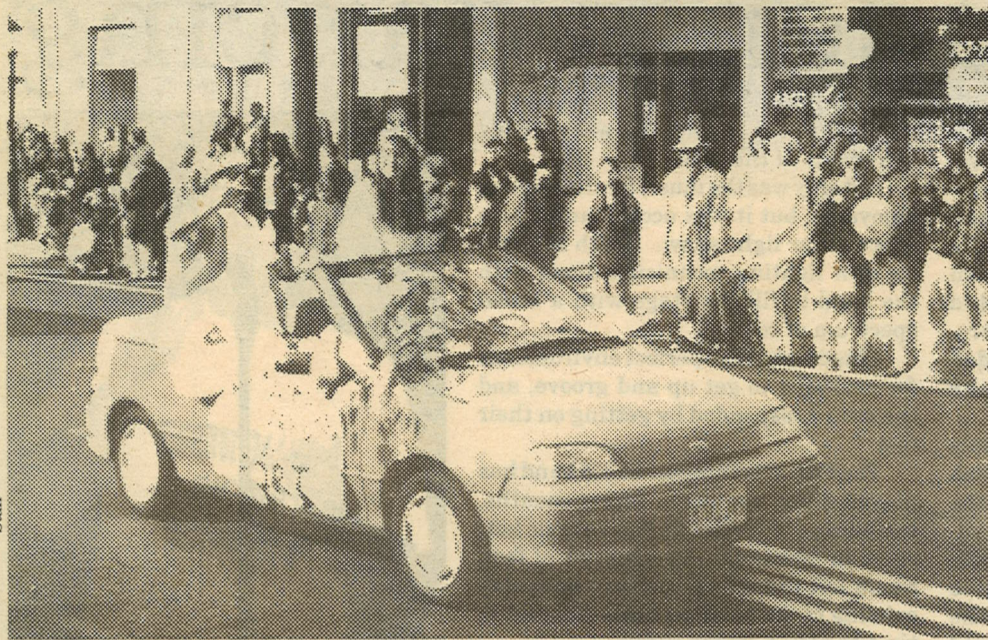


*Students parade,  
film and dine*

Latin Club  
in the News

# Students look to Young Life

*Annual festival to take place on December 12*



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Featured left are sophomores Dan Linder and Dan Katz who are rehearsing for a take on a film that will be featured at this year's feast. "Romulus and Remus," made by sophomores, and "The Judgment of Paris," made by seniors, will be two featured films at the party. The Latin Club "float" (above) features the gods Jupiter (junior Steven Fornatale) and Juno (sophomore Katherine Casey) visiting Port Washington from Mount Olympus.

**"Life" from centerfold**

wish the girl has not attended since. The student spoke on the condition that her name not be used.

Some students who don't know much about Young Life have heard rumors. When asked if he had ever heard of it, one student who asked to remain anonymous responded, "You mean that weird cult thing?"

The leaders of Young Life understand the community's concerns about their group. Certain things should be settled "between [you and] your own religious leaders," Mr. Hovanic said. "Young Life is a Christian outreach group," he stressed, "Jewish kids shouldn't be coming."

"We are not trying to make anyone become someone else," said Mr. Hovanic. "No one should leave confused or uncomfortable."

Senior John Mahoney was introduced to Young Life two years ago by friends who have since graduated. "[The Hovanic] won't tell you to choose their way," he said. "[They] just show you a way."

Many participants have gone to summer camp through Young Life. This gave them an opportunity to meet

kids from all over the country. Spellman enjoyed hearing Casey Dunne speak at Lake Champion in upstate New York. "He turned us on to really great ideas," she recalled.

Camp was also a great experience for Mahoney. "I was always interested in God," he said. "When you know more, and think about it, you can be a better person."

Mahoney was especially impressed by the five hundred volunteer staff members and the camp. "Everyone is trying to help," he said of his experience there.

Young Life has also gone on white water rafting trips, to Great Adventure theme park, and on other outings.

The Port Washington chapter of Young Life is part of an international organization present in over fifty countries. In the United States a total of five hundred local groups currently span every state. But Young Life activities are funded solely by the community, by "parents who want something for their kids," as Mr. Hovanic explained.

When asked why he devotes so much time and energy to Young Life, Mr. Hovanic responded, "Not for money, not for prestige, [but for] a heart for kids, a heart for Christ."

## Searching for true meaning *Freshman examines Thanksgiving*

by Melissa Brewster

Food, family togetherness, school recess, friends and more food. These are the meanings of Thanksgiving for many students.

"Thanksgiving makes me reflect upon my blessings. It should make people remember the hardships that our forefathers had to endure," said sophomore Emilie Kirkpatrick.

Unfortunately for various teens, Thanksgiving has lost its true meaning. "Today it doesn't have meaning. It started with people giving thanks for what they had," remarked junior Lauren Foster. "Now, Thanksgiving means food," she added.

Another student's family practices an unusual ritual. "Every Thanksgiving we go to either my grandpa's or my aunt's in the city. We take an evening walk in our dressy clothing and do crazy stuff like climbing on pillars and screaming at the

top of our lungs while cars are driving by."

Students with roots in other countries may have quite different experiences. "My uncle tells my sister and I about when our parents got married, bringing a suitcase of pictures," reported freshman Stacey Dunbar. "He doesn't stop talking. Then we have nasty Scottish food, not the traditional stuff."

What are you thankful for? This time of year it's good to stop and think about this important question. To some students, the answer to this is life, clothes, school, religious freedom, family, the town we live in, girlfriends or boyfriends, siblings, pets, religion, desserts, or even Thighmaster.

What will you be doing on Thanksgiving Day?

Perhaps you'll head out to Grandma's or Aunt's to hungrily, but patiently, wait for a piece of scrumptious, delicious, steaming hot turkey to arrive on your plate.

***'What are you thankful for? To some students, the answer to this is ... Thighmaster.'***

# Key Club Food Drive

Feed the turkey.  
Feed the hungry.



Nahoko Hara

*Bring non-perishable food to the containers in the lobby starting tomorrow morning. The food will be donated to needy Port residents.*



# Stash gets students dancing

by Joey Weiss  
and Nicol Stavrinou

"This has all been wonderful, and now I'm on my way," sang the band Stash on Saturday, November 2. In honor of homecoming, Stash, a band comprised of alumni, played in the auditorium for about 200 enthusiastic fans. This entertaining, five-man ensemble showed through their energetic, two-hour-long set that they were glad to be back at Schreiber.

Stash's music was a combination of songs by the popular band Phish and

their original songs. Among those Phish numbers covered by Stash, the most memorable were "Suzy Greenberg," "Harry Hood," and "Down with Disease." "It [the set of Phish covers] was really good," said sophomore Alex Mandelbaum

who attended the concert. "They sounded exactly like Phish."

The originals played by Stash also satisfied the crowd with a variety of sounds, ranging from the softness of the piano to wild guitar solos. The

band members demonstrated much talent as they made their way into long jams in the middle of their songs. The night reached its climax when the pia-

nist performed an awesome solo, raising the spirits of the crowd.

Not only was the music for the evening enjoyable, but it was accompanied by a spectacular light show. Stash brought its own lighting technician along with the band to fill the stage with a broad spectrum of colors.

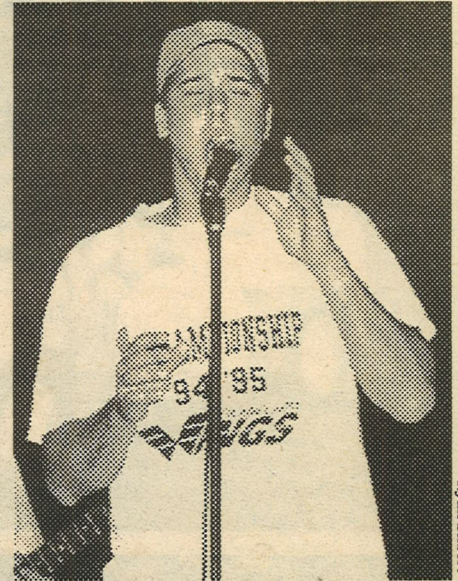
This created the perfect environment for everyone to get up and groove, and the crowd responded by getting on their feet.

The Port Washington-based band has played many venues in recent months, including the Wetlands and various hot-spots in Montauk. As a matter of fact, Stash left the school the very Saturday evening of the band performance just in time to play a larger venue.

The Student Council organized the evening. Money raised from ticket sales will be donated to the John Powers Association, and Stash is donating its proceeds to the Police Athletic League.

*"This has all been wonderful, and now I'm on my way."*

— Stash



Ryan Silbert

Alumnus Bill Zwerlein belts out a tune for Stash. The band gave a performance on November 2.

## Lights, Camera, Improv! Post actors visit school

by Gennaro Savastano

On November 8, acting students from C.W. Post University gave an improvisational performance during mods nine and ten.

The skit demonstrated many aspects of acting. In addition to improv, a very uncommon and difficult technique known as "machine" acting was demonstrated. In "machine" acting, one actor, usually alone on stage, performs a single motion (of any type) accompanied by a corresponding sound. The actor does so repeatedly and is later joined by a second actor with his or her own distinct movement and sound; this goes on until all the actors are present on stage together performing simultaneously.

After demonstrating "machine" acting the group performed an example of the classic *Commedia dell'arte* style. This style of acting, which finds its roots in medieval Italy, has a series of cliché, or stereotypical characters. While watching the performance, one could not help but notice how well the actors played off each other, an extremely important factor in drawing the line between amateurs and professionals. The students demonstrated much high energy, completely convincing performances, and melodrama without over-acting.

During mods eleven and twelve the group of actors, who perform on a weekly basis at a professional level, conducted an improvisation workshop. Drama club members participated along with other students. The students were separated into groups and were told to discuss recent dreams and incorporate them into an improvisational skit.

Students felt the workshop was very successful. Junior Floryn Glass described it as "a great workshop that I doubt I'll ever forget."

## Library hosts music recital

by Resti Feo and Roberta Meo

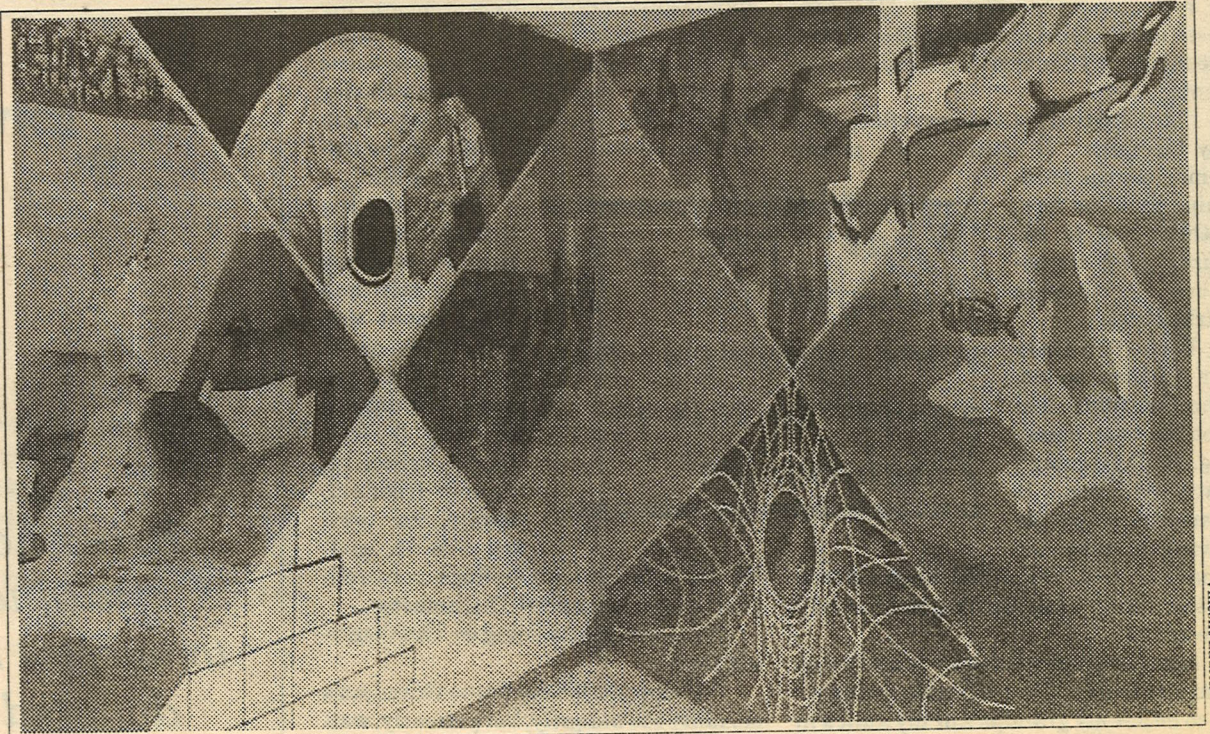
The first Chamber Music recital for the 1996-1997 school year was held on October 29 at the Port Washington Public Library. The recital featured a select group of Schreiber's talented musicians.

The first of Schreiber's musical groups to perform was a quartet. Senior Ji Young Ryu and freshman Angie Chuu played the violin, freshman Claire Lonetto played the viola, and freshman Christina Chung played the cello. Together they performed two movements of Haydn's Sonata. Next to perform was vocal soloist senior Laurie Ann Orr. Orr once again showed her singing abilities in her interpretation of "Come All Ye Fair and Tender Ladies." After Orr, senior Nicole Cuoco and junior Bronwen Bares showcased their talent in their oboe duet of Mozart's "Ein Madchen Oder

Weibchen." This oboe duet added an interesting twist to the concert, and the two made the piece flow nicely.

Junior Floryn Glass continued the concert with her first solo performance. Technically, Glass sang perfectly. Next, juniors Maio Perry and Gennaro Savastano captured the audience with a stunning rendition of "Se A Caso Madama" from *Le Nozze Di Figaro*. The two intrigued the audience with their stage presence. Their compatibility was evident in the ease with which they sang together. Junior flutist Margaret Wood played Faure's "Fantasie" with perfection. Her performance was flawless, and she performed with poise.

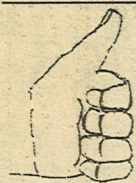
To conclude the recital, senior Anthony Cho and junior Timothy Chung played four lengthy movements of Beethoven's "Trio in C Minor" Opus 1 No. 3. Chung, the violinist and Cho, the cellist seemed relaxed, and it was obvious that they both had performing experience. They showed talent as well as finesse.



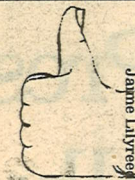
Vincent Lauria

These are two new murals in the main hall of science wing. These murals were designed and painted by the art club.





# Two thumbs up for *Ransom*



by Dan Katz

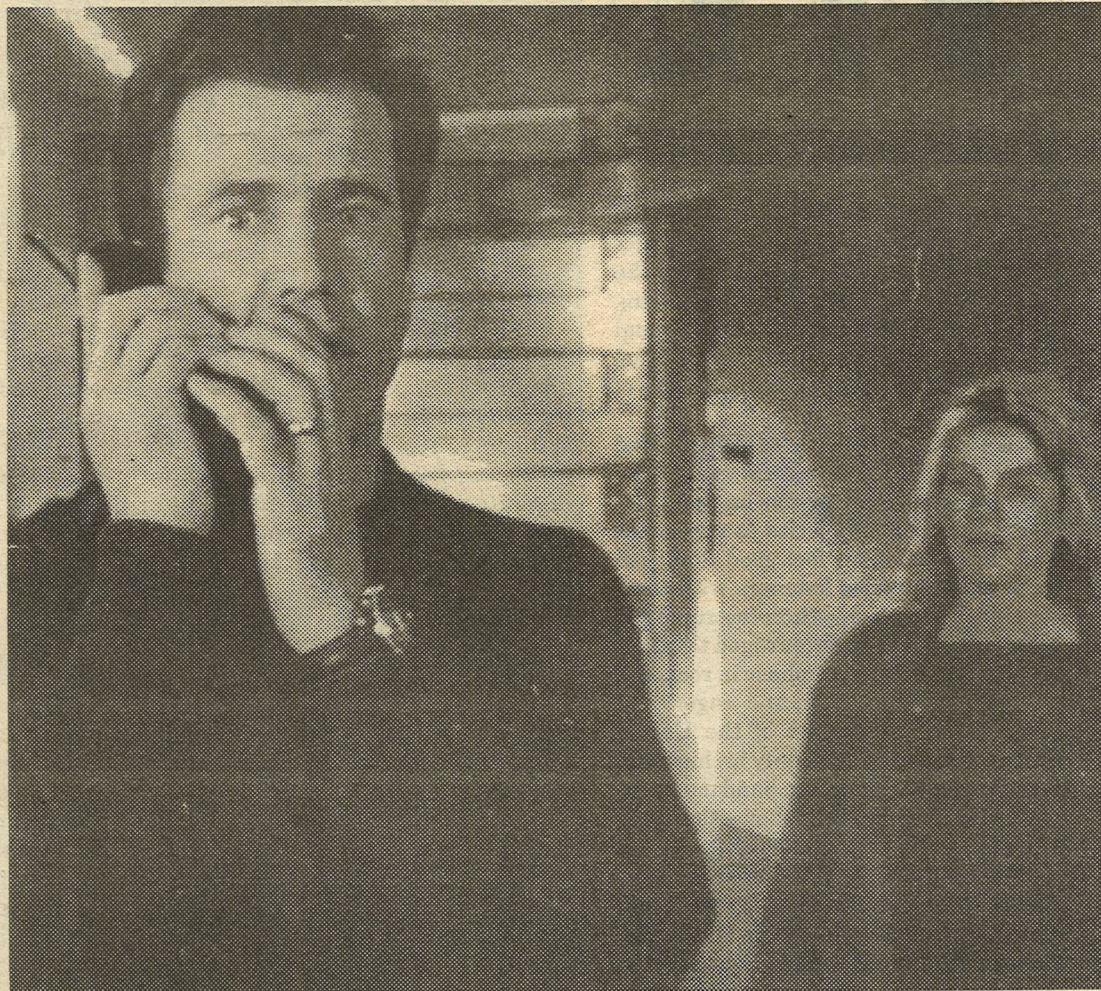
At the 1995 Academy Awards ceremony, every time the film *Apollo 13* won an award, winners gave special thanks to director Ron Howard. The film won nominations in almost every category and picked up many awards. Ron Howard, however, was not nominated for best director. With Howard's new film, *Ransom*, however, the case may be a little different.

No negative comments can be made about *Ransom*. The all-star cast includes Mel Gibson as Tom Mullen, Rene Russo as Catherine Mullen, Delroy Lindo as Hawkins, and Gary Sinise as the police officer, Jimmy Shaker. All of the actors are excellent.

The movie's hero, Tom Mullen, is a corrupt airline owner who has been involved in bribery and perjury.

He did, however, manage to stay out of jail and to keep the faith of his son, Sean. But when a couple of low-lives kidnap Sean and hold him for ransom, the plot takes a turn for the worse.

The kidnapers are quite detestable, to say the least. There is Marris Connar, a woman who had previously worked for Tom



Mel Gibson and Rene Russo, stars of *Ransom*, play a deadly game with their son's kidnapers. No negative comments can be made about the film.

Mullen; Clark Barnes, a neurotic junkie; Cubby, Clark's dimwitted brother; Miles, an alcoholic computer whiz; and a faceless fifth man who is the group's leader.

Against the kidnapers' orders, Mullen informs the FBI of the situation, and he is immediately aided by Hawkins and his team. Mullen is told by Hawkins to do whatever Sean's abductors demand.

Soon enough, Tom is given instructions by "The Fifth Man" to give the money to Cubby at a certain meeting point, in exchange for Sean's whereabouts. However, a melee breaks out, and Mullen ends up without Sean and with Cubby dead. It is then and there that Tom realizes that the kidnapers never intended to give Sean back in the first place. Mullen decides to offer the two million dollars as a reward on the kidnapers' heads.

*Ransom* is not a great movie, though it was never meant to be one. It is meant to entertain. The film accomplishes everything it set out to do; it is an edge-of-your-seat thriller with a killer cast and smooth-running plot. Is it Oscar worthy? Ron Howard just might be getting a nomination for best director this time around.

## Get ready to *Scream*

by Matt Burden

Here's something to "scream" about: on December 20, Wes Craven's newest thriller, *Scream*, will be released by Dimension Films. Wes Craven, creator of chilling films such as *A Nightmare on Elm Street* and *Wes Craven's New Nightmare* takes horror films to a new level, one in which edge-of-your-seat thrills are combined with humorous spoofs of standard "cheesy" horror films. One example of the spoofing is while the students are watching a scary movie. Randy, the class clown, gets up and outlines the three rules for surviving a horror movie: don't have sex, don't drink or do drugs, and don't say "I'll be right back" because you probably won't be. In contrast to these cheesy flixs, *Scream* is

*The well chosen, all star cast execute the various emotions and actions superbly.*

a twisting, turning horror film that keeps you guessing right up until the last throat slitting.

The movie opens when a high school student, Casey Becker (played by Drew Barrymore, *Batman Forever* and *Mad Love*), is brutally murdered by a serial killer. Preceding the murder, the killer toys with Casey by calling her first, asking her trivia questions about horror movies, and then murdering her boyfriend Steve while she watches. With this opening sequence, the viewer is quickly thrust into the middle of *Scream's* madness.

Sidney (played by Neve Campbell, *The Craft* and TV's *Party of Five*) is another

high school student who has more than enough problems in her life. Her mother was raped and brutally murdered about a year before the start of the movie; her father is out of town often and her boyfriend Billy (played by Skeet Ulrich, *The Craft*) wants to go all the way.

After Casey and Steve are murdered and Sidney is attacked, the principal decides to suspend school "until further notice," and the police implement a six p.m. curfew. Sidney's best friend Tatum (played by Rose McGowan, *The Doom Generation*), Tatum's boyfriend Stu (played by Matthew Lillard, *Hackers*), and class clown Randy (played by Jaime Kennedy, *Romeo and Juliet*) use this welcome recess as an excuse to party and watch scary movies.

The plot thickens when Sidney's boyfriend and her dad both become prime suspects for the murders, and

Gale Weathers (played by Courtney Cox, TV's *Friends*), the local television tabloid reporter, who has cashed in on Sidney's mother's death by writing a tell all book, arrives on the scene.

Campbell, Cox and Barrymore all put in great performances in this horror movie that goes beyond the usual blood and guts and examines the questions of loyalty and perception of truth, making *Scream* a scary movie of real substance and ambition. The well chosen, all star cast executes the various emotions and actions superbly, and helps bring this nail biter to a hair raising conclusion. This movie is very well written, directed, and casted in, and should be classified as a "must see."

## "Birds"

# A word find

by Tom Eliaz

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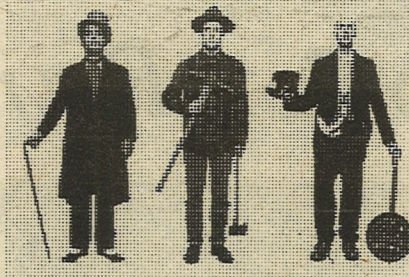


# President's album II

by Peter Squires

The Presidents of the United States of America released their new album *II*, on Election Day, Tuesday, November 5. This is the follow-up to the Presidents' first, self-titled album. Maintaining the feel of their first album, the Presidents have a style all their own. The topics of their songs span a wide variety, including the following: tempo-changing love songs about mixed up relationships, playing with matchbox cars, thoroughly cleaning yourself, popular MTV personalities, and basketball fantasies. The Presidents' album reflects an underlying theme in their lives and their attitudes: fun.

The first single off the Presidents' new album is "Mach 5." This driving rock song is about their childhood antics involving smashing matchbox cars and not being able to bring themselves to smash one shiny car. Other great songs on the album include "Volcano," the ferocious, distortion-driven song about a volcano, and "Toob Amplifier," a joyful tune expressing singer Chris Ballew's happiness in purchasing a brand new tube amplifier, probably with the money they got from their successful first album. There isn't a song on *II* that would be classified as anything less than great. The album portrays a happy, fun-loving mood, which is



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a refreshing change from the anguished mayhem of much of today's popular rock music.

There is one major point about the Presidents which will deter some critics of the band. That is, that upon seeing the band, with their two and three-string guitars (as opposed to the conventional six), many people will immediately label the band as talentless and undeserving of their fame.

However, the Presidents of the United States of America is a great group. Despite the number of strings on their guitars, band members write catchy tunes that make listeners feel good, and will quite often surprise listeners with their capabilities in playing their instruments. Everyone should be encouraged to take a break from the current phase in rock, full of boredom, depression, and anger, and listen to the Presidents of the United States of America. Not only is this a fun threesome to listen to, but band members entertain in a way that shows that they have fun while they are doing it.

The Presidents of the United States of America's new album, *II*, is a great album which will make you laugh and smile. Anyone who is not necessarily fixed in their ways about what kind of music they will listen to should listen to the work of the Presidents. They will surprise you with their ability to entertain.

# Soundgarden rocks

by Ben Silbert and Dave Cohen

Soundgarden opened a three day stint at Roseland in New York City on November 15. Although it was a cold and brisk evening, it ended up being a fiery and blistering scene at one of the most popular venues in the Big Apple.

After much anticipation, Soundgarden made its appearance at 9:30 p.m. The band kicked off its set with one of its most popular tunes, "Spoonman" from the multi-platinum album *Superunknown*. This was a perfect song for fans to get in the mood for an unbelievable concert.

The band continued by playing crowd favorites from its third album *Badmotorfinger*. Songs included "Rusty Cage," "Outshined," "Slaves and Bulldozers," and "Drawing Flies." From *Superunknown* the group also played "Let Me Drown," "My Wave," and "Fell on Black Days." The lead singer and guitarist Chris Cornell did a solo performance of "Black Hole Sun" which was a pleasant change from the original overplayed version.

From the group's present album, *Down on the Upside*, Soundgarden played "Pretty Noose," "Rhinosaur," "Dusty," "Burden in my Hand," "Never the Machine Forever," and "Never Named." The group's newest single, "Blow Up the Outside World," was preceded by a showing of the MTV music video of the song on a large screen behind the stage. It turned into a giant

sing-along including just about the entire audience. Yngwie Malmsteen and Art Vandaleigh, two guitar virtuosos, came out for a great rendition of "Helter Skelter," a Beatles song which has been covered by Marilyn Manson and U2.

The main act was preceded by two bands, the first of which was Tenderloin. This band, although not enticing to the rowdy audience, obtained some respect because of its drummer, formerly of Soundgarden. This quartet had a hard and heavy rock sound, much like that of Soundgarden. Tenderloin presented a brief performance which was sufficient to set the atmosphere for the night.

Following Tenderloin was a seven man band from New York City by the name of Rocket from the Crypt. The band performed eight abrupt and annoying songs, none of which were different from the others. Including a trumpet player, saxophone player, and a rare dancing act, Rocket from the Crypt was the low point of the evening.

Throughout the concert, there were many bouncing bodies and moshing fans. Crowd surfers were abundant and eager to get closer to the stage to see Kim Thayil on guitar, Cornell, Ben Shepherd on bass, and Matt Cameron on the drums.

To conclude the evening's one and a half hour set, Soundgarden came out with possibly its hardest song on *Badmotorfinger*, "Jesus Christ Pose." This song boosted the exhausted crowd to its feet one last time. For a Soundgarden fan the concert was magic.

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**PORT V. FARMINGDALE (6-1)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Cohen, David	1	2	0	N/A
Lehman, Zach	1	0	0	N/A
Newman, Mark	1	0	0	N/A
Meyran, Kevin	1	0	0	N/A
Alvarez, Louis	1	0	0	N/A
Bahrens, Nick	1	0	0	N/A
Weiss, Michael	0	0	8	N/A
Escobar, Nils	0	1	0	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>N/A</b>

*Farmingdale*

Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Beltrani, Vincent	0	0	8	N/A
Bisoffi, Chris	0	0	4	N/A
Befendini, Paul	1	0	0	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**PORT V. HERRICKS (1-3)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Cohen, David	0	1	0	N/A
Hill, Matt	0	0	8	N/A
Silva, Angel	1	0	0	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>N/A</b>

*Herricks*

Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Pennisi, Mike	1	0	N/A	N/A
Sudy, Jordan	2	0	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**PORT V. LAWRENCE (3-0)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Cohen, David	0	1	0	N/A
Silva, Angel	0	1	0	N/A
Escobar, Nils	1	0	0	N/A
Meyran, Kevin	1	0	0	N/A
Saladana, Dan	1	0	0	N/A
Ramirez, Ed	0	1	0	N/A
Weiss, Michael	0	0	7	N/A
Hill, Matt	0	0	5	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**PORT V. BALDWIN (2-0)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Garcia, Jarohan	0	0	0	6
Mayer, Jared	0	1	0	0
Silva, Angel	0	0	0	1
Newman, Mark	1	0	0	3
Kahn, David	1	0	0	1
Hill, Matt	0	0	15	0
Escobar, Nils	0	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>12</b>

*Baldwin*

Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Wilson, Mabricio	0	0	0	1
Tinker, Charles	0	0	0	1
Saunders, Kevin	0	0	18	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2</b>

**PORT V. SYOSSET (1-1)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Cohen, David	1	0	0	N/A
Meyran, Kevin	0	1	0	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>N/A</b>

*Syosset*

Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Mrstaper	1	0	N/A	N/A
Mishkin	0	1	N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**PORT V. MASSAPEQUA (1-1)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Garcia, Jarohan	0	1	0	2
Cohen, David	1	0	0	1
Meyran, Kevin	0	0	0	2
Saladana, Dan	0	0	0	1
Silva, Angel	0	0	0	1
Katz, Michael	0	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>

*Massapequa*

Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Campbell	0	0	N/A	1
Firehock	0	0	N/A	1
Burns	0	1	N/A	2
Csajko	1	0	N/A	1
Perez	0	0	N/A	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>6</b>

**PORT V. HERRICKS (0-2)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Hill, Matt	0	0	4	N/A
Weiss, Michael	0	0	4	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**PORT V. LAWRENCE (5-0)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Mayer, Jared	1	1	0	N/A
Garcia, Jarohan	2	0	0	N/A
Newman, Mark	1	1	0	N/A
Silva, Angel	1	0	0	N/A
Hill, Matt	0	0	4	N/A
Weiss, Michael	0	0	4	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**PORT V. LONG BEACH (2-1)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Meyran, Kevin	1	0	0	N/A
Saldana, Dan	1	0	0	N/A
Newman, Mark	0	1	0	N/A
Hill, Matt	0	0	10	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**PORT V. COLD SPRING HARBOR (2-1)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Garcia, Jarohan	1	1	0	N/A
Saldana, Dan	1	0	0	N/A
Weiss, Michael	0	0	8	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>N/A</b>

# Sports Statistics

Compiled by Illi Eisner

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**PORT V. EAST MEADOW (2-0)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Garcia, Jarohan	1	0	0	N/A
Cohen, David	1	0	0	N/A
Newman, Mark	0	1	0	N/A
Kahn, David	0	1	0	N/A
Hill, Matt	0	0	6	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**PORT V. OCEANSIDE (1-4)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Cohen, David	1	0	0	N/A
Saldana, Dan	0	1	0	N/A
Hill, Matt	0	0	8	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>N/A</b>

*Massapequa*

Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Campbell	0	0	N/A	1
Firehock	0	0	N/A	1
Burns	0	1	N/A	2
Csajko	1	0	N/A	1
Perez	0	0	N/A	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>6</b>

**PORT V. LAWRENCE (5-0)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Mayer, Jared	1	1	0	N/A
Garcia, Jarohan	2	0	0	N/A
Newman, Mark	1	1	0	N/A
Silva, Angel	1	0	0	N/A
Hill, Matt	0	0	4	N/A
Weiss, Michael	0	0	4	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>N/A</b>

**PORT V. EAST MEADOW (4-0)**

Port Washington - In the Playoffs				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Cohen, David	1	1	N/A	2
Garcia, Jarohan	0	1	N/A	0
Meyran, Kevin	1	1	N/A	0
Saldana, Dan	0	0	N/A	3
Chiorelli, Rich	0	1	N/A	0
Machuca, Josa	1	0	N/A	1
Silva, Angel	1	0	N/A	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>6</b>

**PORT V. EAST MEADOW (0-5)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Mayer, Jared	0	0	0	2
Newman, Mark	0	0	0	2
Hill, Matt	0	0	5	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>

*East Meadow*

Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Pediconi, Steve	1	0	0	0
Kolkic, Nerman	0	1	0	0
D'Gees, Aldo	1	1	0	0
Moro, Jim	0	0	0	3
Edelman, Eric	1	0	0	3
Bartone, Frank	0	0	0	1
Zinich, Ed	0	0	0	1
Calderon, Jim	0	0	2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>

**PORT V. OCEANSIDE (3-1)**

Port Washington				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Cohen, David	0	1	N/A	1
Garcia, Jarohan	1	1	N/A	2
Newman, Mark	0	0	N/A	1
Serrano, Jose	2	0	N/A	2
Silva, Angel	0	1	N/A	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>7</b>

*Oceanside*

Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Abruzzo, John	0	0	0	3
Azakas, Alex	0	0	0	1
Lynch, Sean	1	1	0	0
Rosenthal, Cory	0	0	1	2
Steinberg, Seth	0	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>

**PORT V. EAST MEADOW (4-0)**

Port Washington - In the Playoffs				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Cohen, David	1	1	N/A	2
Garcia, Jarohan	0	1	N/A	0
Meyran, Kevin	1	1	N/A	0
Saldana, Dan	0	0	N/A	3
Chiorelli, Rich	0	1	N/A	0
Machuca, Josa	1	0	N/A	1
Silva, Angel	1	0	N/A	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>6</b>

*East Meadow*

Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Digesu	0	0	0	1
Pediconi	0	0	0	1
G. Moro	0	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>

**PORT V. HERRICKS (1-6)**

Port Washington - In the Playoffs				
Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Cohen, David	0	0	N/A	1
Newman, Mark	0	0	N/A	1
Kahn, David	1	0	N/A	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>3</b>

*Herricks*

Player	Goals	Assists	Saves	Shots
Galli, Paul	1	0	N/A	0
Savochi, Frank	0	1	N/A	1
Art, Seta	1	0	N/A	1
Sardis, Jason	3	1	N/A	4
Sudy, Jordan	0	1	N/A	0
Faustini, Ed	1	0	N/A	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>6</b>

**Chess**

**PORT CHESS: 3-0 RECORD**

Match Up	Port Washington	Opponents
PW vs Great Neck South	36.5	8.5
PW vs Chaminate	32	13
PW vs Wheatly	37	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>105.5</b>	<b>29.5</b>

**Field Hockey**

**FINAL STATISTICS**

Port Washington			
Player	Goals	Assists	Shut Outs
Zwerlein, Gretchen	8	4	0
Miller, Katie	6	1	0
Wright, Alissa	2	5	0
Bracken, Christin	2	1	0
Schnipper, Rachel	2	0	0
Olziewski, Melane	1	1	0
Cieva, Sue	0	4	0
Gardner, Anne	0	1	0
Sussman, Jamie	0	1	0
Garofalo, Margaret	0	0	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>8</b>

**Football**

**PORT V. SYOSSET (19-35)**

Offense: Rushing		
Player	Carries	Yards
Vattes, Jim	9	69
Hess, Brian	7	22
Moreo, Felix	1	37
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>128</b>



# Football's final grades

by Nick Kovner

Although a 1-7 record isn't much to boast about, this year's varsity football team has many reasons to be proud. Playing with an undersized and undermanned team throughout the entire season, the Vikings hung tough and gave many teams a run for their money.

The young offensive line of the Vikings made many errors this year which were simply caused by a lack of experience. When they opened holes for the running game and gave quarterback senior Jimmy Vattes time to throw the ball, however, they looked like a fine tuned offensive machine. The young line will only get better with age, as the players will learn to work together as a cohesive unit, each one covering for the next.

Vattes was once again named to the All-County team, as he improved on last year's stats and was once again the dominant athlete in the conference. Aside from throwing touchdown passes, Vattes could break the game wide open with his sneaks and kickoff returns, and smothering defense in the secondary.

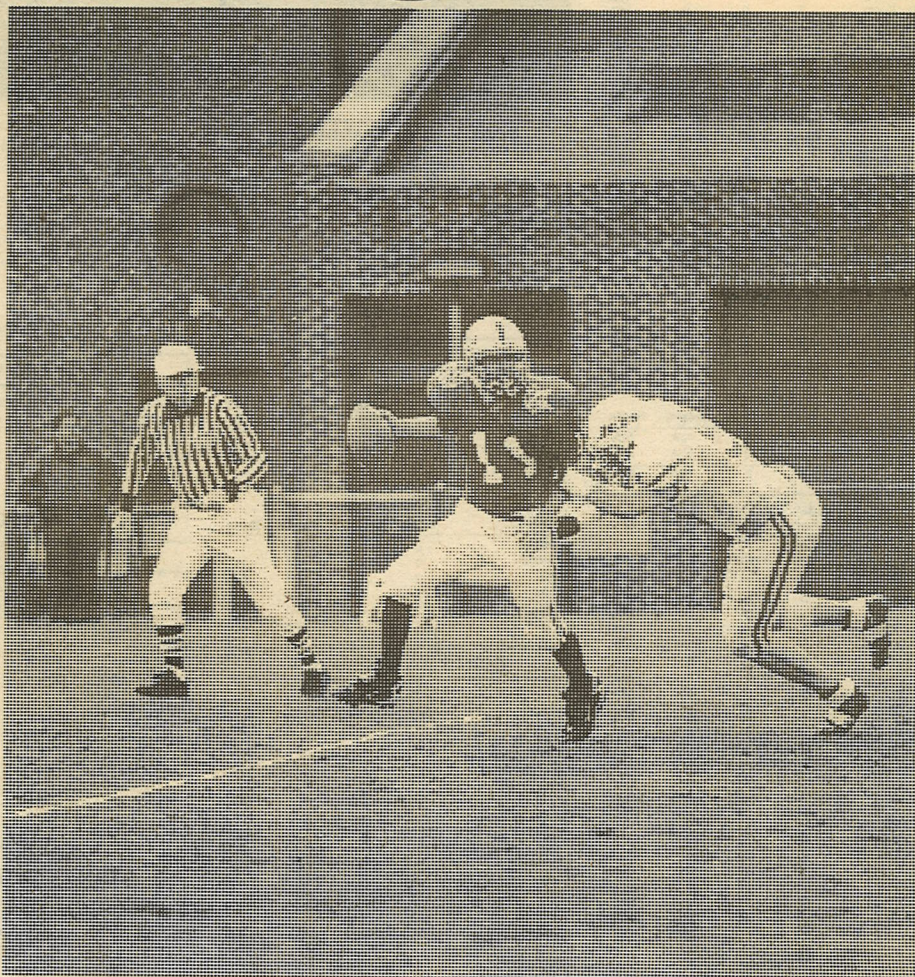
Along with Vattes, running back/linebacker senior Brian Hess received honors. Hess was the workhorse out of the backfield and the anchor of the Port defense. He was named an Honorable Mention to the All-Conference team. He said of the honor, "I'm very proud of this

achievement, and I'd like to thank the coaches and my teammates for making this possible."

This year's receiving corps was led by senior Scott Wilpon. Wilpon emerged as Vattes' favorite target, as he made many spectacular catches and racked up huge yardage after the catches. Other standout receivers included seniors Steve Cusa and Evan Siegert and juniors Rob Capella and Brandon Kurz. Cusa was the epitome of a proud Viking tradition of tough players. While he's not very large in stature, he was the toughest guy on the field every time he played, as he loved to make the big hit. He, along with the other tri-captains, Hess and Vattes, will be sorely missed next year.

Speaking of next year, expect big things from junior Felix Moreo. Moreo, a first year student in Port, saw much action this year, both receiving and running out of the backfield. He is an exceptional athlete and a hard nosed player who does not shy away from putting his pads into somebody.

All in all, it was a very successful season for the Vikings, even if their record does not reflect this. Hess summed up the season by saying, "Hey, we didn't win many games, but we played with a lot of heart and gave it one hundred percent every time we took the field. I don't think you can ask for much more than that." Hess is right, and hopefully next year, with a more experienced offensive line, the Vikings will emerge victorious.



Senior Jimmy Vattes scrambles out of the pocket eluding another defender. He was awarded All-County honors.

Reagan Silbert

## Report Card

Position	Grade	Comments
Quarterback.....	A	The only consistent offensive position. Produced the most total offense for the team.
Running backs.....	B+	The individual backs each had good speed, power, and agility. They lacked support from the offensive line, but were still able to make big plays.
Wide receivers.....	B	The group was under utilized. When they were thrown to, they were able to make clutch catches for big yardage.
Offensive and Defensive line.....	C+	Each individual was very talented, but they never gelled together as a unit.
Line backers.....	B	They were able to stuff the run but did not apply enough pressure on the quarterback.
Secondary.....	C+	They came up with some exciting hits but often missed assignments.
Special Teams.....	B+	The kicking was very strong, however, their return game was sub par.

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# Field hockey falls valiantly

by Ryan Silbert and Adam Menzel

At the beginning of the season, people laughed in players' faces when they dreamed of post-season play. But no matter how many times people laughed, the players did not let it cloud their vision of success in the playoffs. With their mission clear, they set off to accomplish it with vigor and vim. By becoming county champions, they went ten times further than anybody would have thought. Junior Sue Cleva affirmed, "I think that this year's field hockey team beat all expectations and truly showed teamwork, and it showed in how far we advanced."

Coach Bob Busby led the field hockey team to the championships, despite the loss of many of last year's senior starters. The team finished the season with an extraordinary record of seven wins, three losses, and two ties.

After defeating Baldwin at C.W. Post on Monday, November 4, the Port girls' field hockey team advanced to the Long Island Championships at Hofstra University. The team was hoping for a repeat performance of its 1994 victory over Sachem. Despite an impressive rebuilding season, the team was defeated 4-0 on November 10 by the Suffolk County powerhouse Centereach.

During the first half, Port was generally on the defensive. Sophomore goalkeeper Margaret Garofalo played an impressive game, making several difficult saves during the half. The Lady Vikings took the offensive at certain points with several excellent shots by junior attacker Gretchen Zwerlein and a shot on goal by sophomore attacker Rachel Schnipper.

Senior captain Christin Bracken and Cleva played a strong, solid game, moving the ball down field. Unfortunately, due to the speed of the ball on turf, Port girls were not prepared to follow up on their shots. The Vikings normally play on grass, which causes the ball to move at a slower speed. The team missed out on



Senior Christin Bracken weaves through traffic en route to the opponent's goal. The Lady Vikings were defeated in the Long Island Championship game at Hofstra.

many offensive opportunities by not being prepared for the turf.

The score after the first half was 2-0. Senior captain Shelly Lebovitch made an unbelievable save, which prevented Centereach from scoring a third goal. During the second half, Centereach's offense battered Port's defense and scored two more goals. Although Centereach played a strong and persistent game, Port never lost its intensity.

Bracken said, "We had a good season and we fought hard until the end. Sunday's game was an adjustment for us and despite Centereach's attack, we never gave up."

Commenting on the team's future, Zwerlein said, "We're going to be a strong team next year because our team has

grown in confidence. Hopefully we will do as well, if not better than last season."

The girls' varsity field hockey team has a tradition of excellence and should be proud of its accomplishments this season. Despite the loss of several key players to graduation, the team proved to be extremely successful.

## The Nassau County Championships: A Glance Back On Their Journey

The match-up against the Baldwin Bruins (5-5-4) was a familiar one for coach Bob Busby as he prepared for their sixth meeting in a county face-off. However, only three players of this year's squad had ever experienced a championship game, adding another level of excitement to the coming game.

Port didn't show any signs of hesitancy, as the Lady Vikings made one of the strongest offensive pushes of the season. At the midline, Cleva was right on target with her excellent ball control, and the extra muscle power by junior Anne Gardner helped thwart Baldwin's efforts to bring the ball down field.

It wasn't long until Port scored its first and only goal of the game as Zwerlein made eye contact with Cleva who with the flick of the stick centered the ball. Zwerlein lifted her head to see the goal and in a split-second move, bulleted the ball into the net awarding Port the go ahead goal, 1-0.

The second half saw a dramatic shift in play as Baldwin redoubled its efforts on Port's goal.

Fortunately the Lady Vikings' defensive squad is as strong as its offense, and the combination of senior Barrie Lazar and Lebovitch was more than capable of handling the Bruins. First year varsity member Garofalo has surprised everyone this year as she has become one of the best goalies on Long Island. Garofalo was in top form on Monday as she stopped every ball that came into her line of sight. She is nicknamed the "Wall" by her teammates for a good reason: she doesn't let anything get past her.

This tremendous win for the Lady

Vikings brought the county title back where it belongs...Port Washington.

## Lady Viking Field Hockey Preps for County Finals

For more than ninety percent of the Lady Viking field hockey team, a shot at the playoffs seemed unimaginable at the beginning of the season. Yet as coach Bob Busby commented: "The team really shaped up at the end of the season. The turning point was our loss to Carle Place 4-0. Even though we lost, we really stepped up the play and, in turn, the end of the season turned out to be very successful."

The first step to attain the title was taken on October 28 as Port beat East Meadow 2-1 in the County Semi-Finals.

The game got off to a rollicking start with both sides playing a strong game at the mid-field line. Cleva and Bracken played a tight defensive line and Garofalo, who has emerged as one of the county's top goalies, smothered East Meadow's attacks.

Unfortunately, East Meadow was the first to pull the trigger and score which gave it the lead, 1-0.

"At that point our game-play was awful. I told the girls that they had seventeen minutes to score a goal or their season was over," commented Busby.

Apparently Busby instilled the drive to win in the team. "With that, the attack led a fierce charge toward the goal which resulted in a scramble in front of the net as Zwerlein jostled the ball to Wright who slammed it into the goal tying the game 1-1.

Five minutes later, the potent mix of Zwerlein and Wright once again led to sparks flying. On a long drive from the midfield, Wright took a quick look and passed to Zwerlein who had set herself up in front of the goal and in a split-second shot, knocked the goalie to her knees, giving Port the game winning lead 2-1.

East Meadow, desperate for a tying goal, relentlessly finished the half trying to score but was successfully warded off by both Garofalo and her defense men, Lazar and junior Melanie Olszewski.



Senior Alissa Wright catches up to the ball on the fast turf at Hofstra.





# Thanks for Everything Schreiber

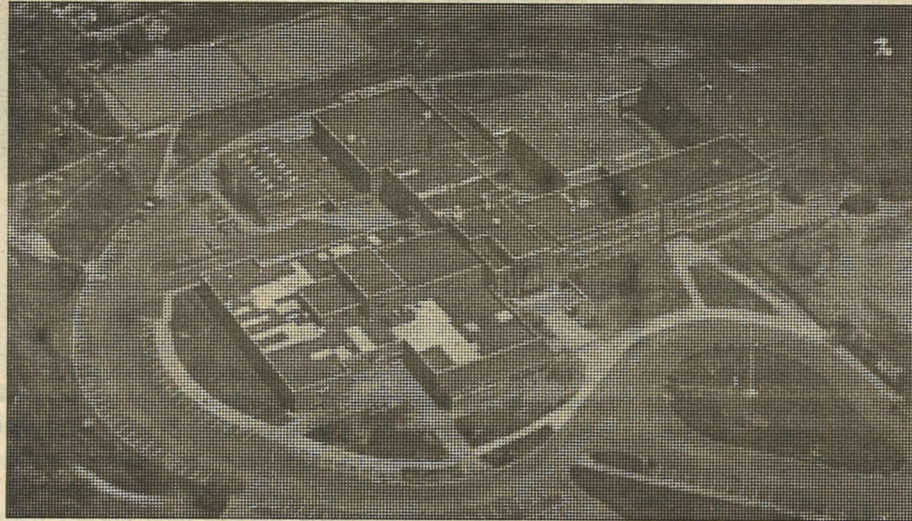
# Shrubbers

Graphic by Narges Pourmand

by Gary Schmirer

With Thanksgiving only a few days away, it is important to see what we should be thankful for by taking a minute to look outside. We see a beautiful campus which reflects the wonderful and supportive community around us. For five years, staff, students, and residents of Port Washington have contributed time and money to landscape the surroundings of the school. The Schreiber Shrubbers, with help from the administration, are responsible for the transformation of a barren campus into a flourishing one.

It has been five years since four staff members—Joan Dykes, Naomi Beckley, Joyce Shapiro, and Colleen Newell—formed the Shrubbers, and now these people have passed the baton to the student body. In a Student Club/Class Adoption program, the Girls Athletic Association, Student Council, Key Club, Human Relations Club, Student Outreach, AIDS Awareness, and the Senior Class Club have paid for most of the areas which have been shrubbed. The Director of School Facilities Henry Alilionis and Supervising Groundskeeper John Salerno have played inte-



**1973:** This picture was taken before the Shrubbers transformed the campus. There was no landscaping work done.

gral roles in every project. A year ago they were responsible for allowing an automatic sprinkler system to be constructed to alleviate much of the responsibility of watering the shrubs.

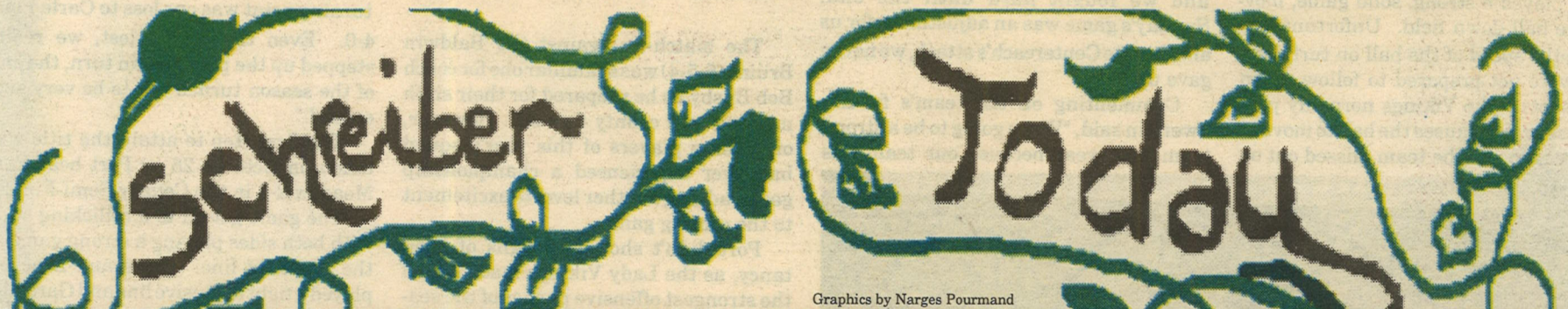
Beckley, the current Shrubbers coordinator, says that the beautiful new landscape will be these classes' legacy. She stated that during Homecoming Weekend,

returning alumni who had only attended the school when it looked barren were absolutely overwhelmed by the attractiveness of the front of the school. They all appreciated the work the Shrubbers have done. They stopped Beckley to tell her how proud they are of the landscaped school campus. Residents who walk through the area on weekends and at night admire the work done as well.

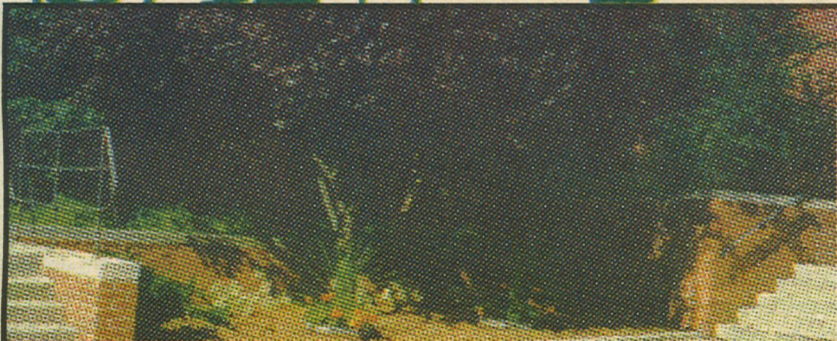
Now the group is working on landscaping the area between the cafeteria and print shop. Many staff members and students suddenly noticed a change when a tree and plants were placed near the print shop wall overnight.

The Shrubbers' goal is almost completed, although they still need help. The organization hopes that community members will reach out and give donations. Whether it be in monetary form or simply in the form of respect, they will recognize it. There are no classes currently attending the school which were around before the transformation was made. This makes it even more important to be aware of what has been done. Be thankful we have a beautiful school. As Beckley said, "Let's enjoy it, appreciate it, support it, and preserve it."

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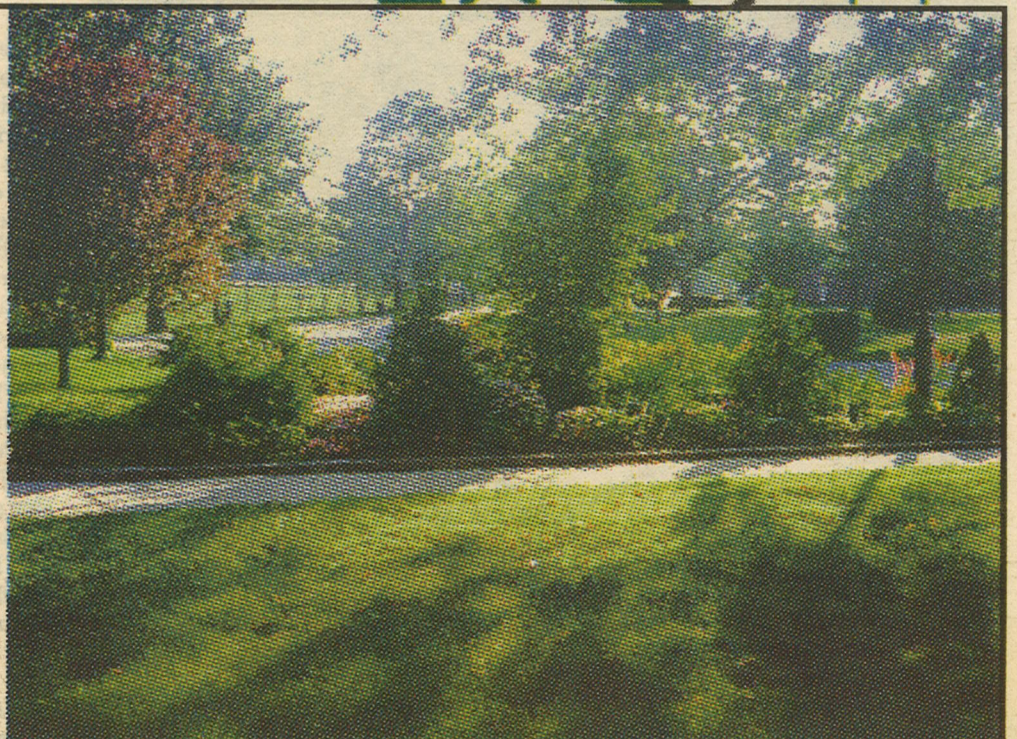
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The flowers in front of the cafeteria are beginning to grow. This area has been adopted by the GAA.



A frontal view of the school makes clear the lively changes. Here the gardens are in full bloom.



Many of the recent changes focus on this area. The walk way, street light, fresh grass, shrubs, and flowers were all additions to the landscape. The Shrubbers hoped to add life to the front grounds.