

Musicians Plan Spring Concert

16 Pieces Compose
Scheduled Program Legion Honors

Wellsville High School Senior Orchestra under the direction of Adelbert Purga and the Senior Choir, directed by John Darr, will present the Annual Spring Concert in the High School Auditorium May 5 at 8 p.m.

Pieces to be played by the orchestra will include the "Bartok Suite," consisting of "Peasant Song," "Slovakian Dance," "Evening in the Country" and "Bear Dance." "Symphony No. 1" and "Finale from the Fifth Symphony" by Beethoven will be presented in celebration of the bicentennial of his birth. Also included in the rendition will be themes from Tchaikovsky's "Fifth Symphony."

Presents Fantasy

"Suite in Alten Style" by Grieg will be played by the String Ensemble. Both the choir and orchestra will present "From Sea to Shining Sea," a fantasy based on "America, the Beautiful."

"Because All Men Are Brothers," arranged by Glazer, "A Rose Touched by the Sun's Warm Rays" by Berger and "Hava Nageela," an Israeli folk song, will be included in the choir's performance. The Madrigal Group will present "Hard by a Fountain" by Waelrant and "Amazing Grace."

Mancuso Participates

Forhan, Buchholz

Juniors George Buchholz and Tim Forhan have been selected to represent WHS at the American Legion Boys' State held at State University of New York Agricultural and Technical College of Morrisville, June 27 - July 3.

Each boy elected to Boys' State must be at least 15 years old, have completed the junior year in the upper 50 per cent of his class and be a resident of New York State.

George's academic achievements include two-year membership in the Jr. National Honor Society and a member of "We Choose To Honor" in ninth grade. He received his 35-point letter for his excellence in all phases of school life and this year he was inducted into the National Honor Society.

Interested in sports, George has been awarded six varsity letters for his performance in football, wrestling and track.

Upon graduation, George hopes to attend the Air Force Academy. Summarizing his attitude toward life, George feels that "If tomorrow has to come, at least it won't be here 'til morning."

An active participant in sports Tim Forhan has proven himself an outstanding player as a member of this year's varsity basketball team. He has also participated in junior varsity football and basketball.



DISPLAYING HER SOUVENIRS from her recent trip to Russia is teacher of English, Annette Cronk. Mrs. Cronk spent a week in Leningrad and Moscow over Easter vacation.

WHS Teacher Travels To Leningrad, Moscow

Annette Cronk, Wellsville High School teacher of English, traveled to Russia during Easter vacation as part of a culture tour, visiting the cities of Moscow and Leningrad.

Two Russian women guides, who spoke English fluently traveled with Mrs. Cronk's tour, but the group members could also tour the cities on their own. Large Western style hotels built for tourists with up to 20 floors, accommodated Mrs. Cronk and her traveling companions.

Describes Transportation

not expensive and are full every night of the week with people of all ages.

Enjoys Ice Cream

Mrs. Cronk felt the ice cream, which is served a great deal in Russia, is the best food. When Khrushchev visited America he had ice cream for the first time and liked it so much that he took the recipe back to Russia. Very little American food is served in Russia.

Housing in Russia is very different from that in America. There are few houses like the

and fulfills the requirements the state expects.

All television stations in Russia are government controlled. The televisions are black and white and programs are broadcasted from noon to midnight. Sports, some news, plays, folk dances and other cultural presentations are the only types of programs televised.

Summing up her feelings about her trip to Russia, Mrs. Cronk said she was very impressed by the clean cities and

Upperclassmen View New Voting Privilege

Calendar of Events

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- 1 — College Entrance Exams
- 1 — Latin Club Banquet
- 5 — Orchestra and Choir Concert
- 7 — 10th Grade Class Party
- 13 — Band Concert
- 14 — 7th Grade Class Party
- 21 — 9th Grade Class Party
- 28 — Student Council Elections

Fleischer Offers Music Course

Modern music, a new mini course involving 26 juniors and seniors, is being taught by senior Pete Fleischer, sixth period in room 314.

Discussions are centered on the music of today, popular music groups, development of music trends and modern composers and lyrics. Modern music not only includes the present, but stretches back to "blues" and music of the 1920's.

Record albums, a tape recorder, a record player and an overhead projector is the basic equipment used. No grades or school credit are given for the course and presently there is no outside work.

Originating last year in Student Council, the mini course idea didn't materialize until this year. Other schools have mini courses and Pete would like to

Recently, the senior class was polled by "Owl" in an effort to determine its general feeling concerning the 18-year-old's newly acquired right to vote. Previously, a 21-year limitation prevailed under New York State legislative action rescinded the age barrier late last year.

The first three questions dealt with whether or not those eligible to vote had registered, whether those not yet 18 would register upon becoming of age, and why those who were eighteen had not yet registered. Though only eight percent of the total senior class has registered to date, 63 percent of the 18 year olds have done so.

Reasons given for not registering included lack of transportation to Belmont, insufficient time to make the necessary trip and lack of knowledge concerning when and where to register. A few individuals admitted that until they read the questionnaire, they hadn't even realized they were eligible to vote.

Majority Will Register

Several individuals stated that although they were aware of this new right, they hadn't actually taken advantage of it. On the other hand, 52 percent of those seniors not yet 18 said they would definitely register when they became eligible with only five percent not wanting the added responsibility of voting.

An overwhelming majority of seniors answered the question "How do you feel about the 18 year old's right to vote?" by stating it was time the voting age had finally been lowered.

portunity to surface and change old political standards." Those students asserting that the vote "Why was the voting age lowered?" brought varied remarks. Many thought pressure on government officials was responsible for the change while others believed it to be increased youth involvement in national affairs incorporated with an effort to placate youth's appeals for more say in government happenings. Another answer given was the high-paced standard of living which causes today's youth to be more mature at 18 than the youth of the past when the twenty-one year old age limit was introduced.

Students View Maturity

However, again the most repeated response was that dying for a country should assure the right to be a part of national decisions. The belief that finally the youth might produce enough influence on public officials to change the Defense Department's policy in Vietnam, was expressed.

Concluding the poll was the question, "Are 18 year olds really mature enough to vote responsibly?" This question evoked an equal amount of affirmative, negative and un-

Dream, by the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., will be read by Delfio Mancuso. Following Mr. Mancuso's reading, the choir will conclude with "No Man Is an Island" arranged by Ringwald and the Madrigal Singers will sing "What Color is God's Skin?"

Bonaventure Conducts Annual College Night

How can students be given the opportunity to experience different kinds of colleges without the bother and expense of traveling all over the country? This was probably one of the main questions facing a group of guidance counselors in Cattaraugus County three years ago when the idea of College Night first originated.

Since then teaching personnel from 37 high schools in Northern Pennsylvania and Southwestern New York have joined to form the College Night Committee.

The enthusiasm from which this idea was accepted was shown by the participation of 2,000 students in the first Penn-York College Night in 1970.

Success of the first night was made apparent by the attendance of over 1,000 students at the second annual Penn-York College Night held at St. Bonaventure University in Allegany, April 20.

Although many students came with little idea of what kind of college they wanted to attend, they could easily find one to suit them from among the 95 colleges, universities, business, technical and nursing schools represented there.

The program was set up as four periods of 30 minutes each with intervals of ten minutes between them. However, in some instances it was possible to talk with several representatives during one period.

Students were given some idea of what the colleges are like through pamphlets and brochures. The most important factors, however, were probably the accounts that the representatives gave of the schools, since the students tend to link the personality of the representative with the atmosphere of the college. Students are then strongly urged to visit the schools that really interest them so that they can find out for themselves what they are really like.

As a freshman, Tim was a candidate for Student Council vice-president. Although unsuccessful in his attempt, he has demonstrated strong leadership qualities as president of his sophomore and junior classes and vice-president of the local Explorer unit.

Tim plans to attend the Coast Guard Academy upon graduation. His basic philosophy is that one should, "do the things he can while he has the opportunity."

WHS Students Participate In Regional Science Fair

Nine Wellsville High School students participated in the Fourteenth Annual Allegany Mountain Science Fair at St. Bonaventure University April 17.

Students participating in the senior division included David Lang with a Tesla coil, Kirby Jensen with an aerodynamic design study, and Larry Stout with the "Luscher Color Test." Seniors Kevin McCarty and Henry Jakubowski jointly competed with a digital computer as their project.

Junior division participants consisted of Marissa Burdick with a study of fungus and mushrooms, Laura Cronin with the "Mechanics of the Heart," and Dan Higgins with "Variations on Plant Growth."

Present Award

Awards presented included certificates with a five dollar prize and honorary awards with a ten dollar prize. Certificates in the senior division were presented to David Lang and to Kevin McCarty and Henry Jakubowski, while in the junior division Marissa Burdick and Dan Higgins received certificates. Junior Kirby Jensen was presented an honorary award for his project.

Attracting exhibits from nine counties, the fair offered a grand award in both the senior and junior divisions for the most outstanding project. Carrying prizes of \$25, an encyclopedia, and a one week trip to Kansas City's International Science Fair, this year's awards were presented to a brother and sister from Ridgeway, Pennsylvania. Esther Redmount received the senior grand award for her project "Development of Analytical and Separation Techniques for Silver and Lanthanum. Fan

transportation. Russia has a very beautiful metro or subway, which is used by 400,000 people daily. The stations are decorated with marble, mosaics and stained glass. Buses, trolley cars, taxis and a few private cars are other common means of transportation.

"Russians are very conscious of culture which is shown in their love for art and the theater," commented Mrs. Cronk. Theaters which present plays, ballets, and operas are

apartments. The number of rooms per family is determined by the number of people in the family.

Schools Differ

Russian students must attend school at least until they reach the eighth grade. After this time some go into manual labor while the others remaining in school. College tuition and books are free while the fee for dorms is very small. The state pays the college expenses of a student as long as he works satisfactorily

that students will be given the age limit. The strongest reason given was the war in Vietnam. "If you are old enough to fight in a war, you are old enough to vote," was the general conclusion.

New Ideas Surface

Eighty-two percent of the class agreed that the younger vote will definitely influence the country's political trends. A typical comment was, "With youth participating in major decisions, a fresh set of ideas and ideals now have the op-

portance of the age limit. The strongest reason given was the war in Vietnam. "If you are old enough to fight in a war, you are old enough to vote," was the general conclusion.

R. Frick Announces College Acceptances

Guidance Director Ralph Frick has released this year's longest list of WHS seniors admitted to colleges for the '71-'72 school year.

Accepted by Alfred Ag Tech College are Chris Anderton, Debbie Dahlgren, Tom Greene, Alice Harrison, Dwight Lewis, Jeannie Maxwell, Nancy Robinson and Donald Simons. Roger Baker and Fritz Graves have been accepted at Alfred Ag Tech Vocational College.

Notified of admittance by Genesee County Community College are Nancy Brundage, Mary Donovan, Alan Mosher, Debby Walpole and Jerri Weinman. The Community College of the Finger Lakes has accepted Debby Walpole and Connie Cole.

St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing has admitted Gloria Beamer, Jamestown School of Practical Nursing has admitted Kathy Wasserloos and St. James Mercy Hospital of Nursing has admitted Blair Buchholz.

Attending Jamestown Business College will be Marsha Bellows while Betsy Bergerson will attend Olean Business Institute. Admitted to Rochester Business Institute is Donald Simons.

Doug Edson and Bob Jedinak have received notice of their acceptance to the University of Akron for the '71-'72 school year. Jan Fulmer, Bob Howe and Dan Marsh have been admitted to Rochester Institute of Technology, Hiram College, and SUNY at Buffalo respectively.

Enrolled at Alfred University are Alice Harrison and Anne Haskins. St. Lawrence University has admitted Heidi Hoppe while Cortland State College has accepted Tom Kailbourn.

Kathy McEnroe will choose between Oswego State College and SUNY at Binghamton. Attending Nyack Missionary College will be Carol McGarvey.

Both Brockport State College and Plattsburg State College have notified Jennifer Mourhess of her acceptance while Florida State University has admitted Jody Schmidt.

Reporter Investigates Impressions On National Honor Organization

By DEBBIE PEANGATELLI

National Honor Society is a topic which seems to involve mixed reactions in the school. Some think of it as a big farce, others as an honor. In an attempt to find out the general feeling in Wellsville High School, interviews with several students and faculty members were held.

When asked how he felt about being in Honor Society, Pete Fleischer quickly remarked, "Very fine, thank you." More seriously, he said that he thought the induction team was selected only from the scholastic category, but the rest of the membership was reasonable.

James Petzen believes that the National Honor Society should be "the primary goal of students since the educational system is based on learning," and that it shouldn't be done away with.

An outsider, Steve Stout's impression of Honor Society is "It's all based on marks and whether the teachers like you or not. If you're a smart kid, but maybe a little weird, they won't pick you."

Cindy Hannigan, however, disagrees with this general feeling and stated, "there is a lot of thought about character and the other qualities, but scholarship is the most important. Some of these people are bound to excel in different areas."

Mary Lou Canessa, one of the advisors for the Society, commented, "All four qualifications are necessary. However, the other characteristics usually come naturally with scholarship."

According to Wellsville's "Student Handbook," to be eligible for membership in this society, a senior student must have and maintain an average of 85 percent in the Regents

program (SCHOLARSHIP) along with the qualifications of the society: "LEADERSHIP, CHARACTER and SERVICE." Holly Baldwin, an 87 percent student, reporter for the "Owl", copy editor for the "Sonnontouan", Regents Scholarship winner, and choir member, was not inducted into the society. Said Holly, "I was a little surprised at first, but I got over it."

Recently I had the good luck to overhear an argument — discussion, rather — about the system of Honor Society between one member and a non-member.

Non-member (Let's call him Fred): Honor Society is a big farce. Just look at all the kids that got on. You can't tell me all of them deserved it. MEMBER (Let's call him Barney): Whaddaya mean? They get chosen if they fit the qualities.

Fred: Qualities! You mean brains! All you have to have is brains! All you need is a 95 percent average and you're on. You don't have to have those other characteristics.

BARNEY: It's not just smarts. Other things count like leadership, service, and character.

Fred: Oh, sure they do. OK you have a kid with a 95 percent average and a borderline case (his average is just good enough. Well, this smart guy is a bookworm, does nothing except study, doesn't belong to any extracurricular activities, has as much leadership as a bullfrog and as much character as a pipecleaner. This other guy, not a genius but gets along good, captain of the football team, president of Student Council, editor of the yearbook and member of the choir, has everything in the world going for him. Who's chosen first?

Who else? The bookworm, because he's smart! Not because of his leadership, service and character qualities. Barney: Well, I admit that's true but you just can't leave him off! He is smart! He has achieved something! He's got to be recognized somehow for his scholastic achievements!

Fred: Then why do they stick that quality stuff in there when it doesn't mean anything? They ought to eliminate it completely and let it be known for scholastic achievements only.

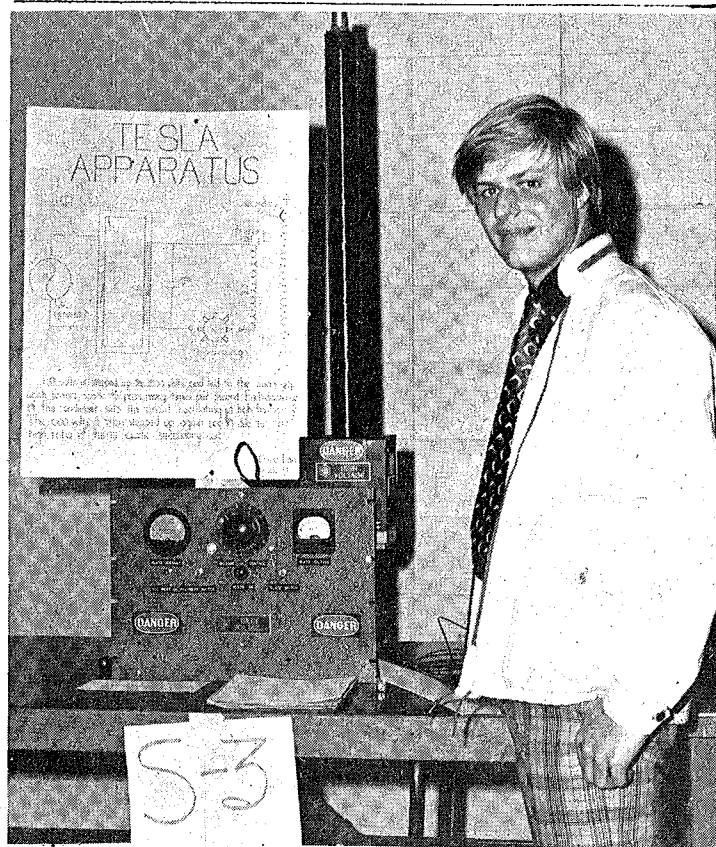
Barney: I wouldn't put it quite that bluntly. Other schools have an honor roll at the end of the month. Wellsville doesn't happen to have anything like that, so the smart kids have to be acknowledged by Honor Society. Anyway, I can think of two students just a couple of years ago who were "brains" and didn't make Honor Society, because they didn't get along with most teachers and their actions were a little questionable sometimes. There's an example of brains not getting in — even when they probably deserved it.

Fred: Look at how inconsistent the whole thing is! I can even see all the ones who earned to be in it plus a few duds, but not eliminating some of the deserving students for the duds! Barney: Well, nobody's perfect. I still think I'm right. You're just bitter because you aren't in Honor Society.

Fred: Maybe you're right. But maybe you're overlooking the flaws and defending it because you are in it.

Barney: You've got a point there. Gee, Fred, you aren't as dumb as people think you are.

Fred: Thanks loads. This is similar to what was said when I was eavesdropping — I mean, listening to this unusual conversation.



EXHIBITING HIS SCIENCE PROJECT, a Tesla Coil, is junior David Lang. David received an award for his project at the Science Fair held at St. Bonaventure University, April 17.

Redmount won the junior grand award for "Rocket Engine Cluster Design Study."

Markle Comments

Three teachers from Wellsville High School, Joseph Markle, chairman of the Science Department, Neil Haskins and Elaine Turek accompanied the students attending the Fair. Commenting on the success of the Fair, Mr. Markle stated, "It was a very enjoyable day and a challenging experience." David Lang added that he thought everyone did his best in the competition but that

he would like to see Wellsville place higher in next year's Fair.

Another student participant, Kirby Jensen, expressed surprise at the small number of exhibits as compared to previous regional science fairs. Citing reasons for this lack of projects, Mr. Haskins mentioned that "attendance at the exhibition was unusually low because College Board Examinations were being held at many high schools and because of this some schools were unable to send participants to the Fair."

Changes Overdue

Why do National Honor Society assemblies continue to be a farce each year? This year for the first time, its members attempted to initiate a new program, which although thoroughly backed by the society, failed to get past the advisors.

Admittedly the proposed plan was a little far-fetched, but something must be changed, before the audience actually turns the affair into a complete failure by their conduct. Previous editorials on this have been all but ignored, but it is obvious to everyone that it's about time that a new format was adopted.

Even the members of the senior

induction team half-seriously planned to be absent for the assembly, so they wouldn't be forced to "act likemorons in our choir robes." They weren't knocking or questioning the extreme honor of their membership, but instead felt embarrassed at their archaic procedure for induction. If the audience and the members of Honor Society both favor changes, then why shouldn't something concrete result?

Modernizing the assembly by making it more informal would obviously make the proceedings more interesting. But it might also increase competition among students for a spot on the society and recognition before the student body.

Revival of Compassion

A minute portion of humanity has finally been revived.

Thanks to a multitude of students and adults from throughout the United States, Bruce Gaylord collected enough Betty Crocker coupons to obtain a hemodialysis machine. Performing the functions of the kidney is the duty of this miracle machine, which the Wellsville senior uses twice a week at Buffalo's Meyer Memorial Hospital.

An immediate factor contributing to such a fantastic campaign was the mass media. People began working as soon as they heard or read the urgent plea. Concern was shown by mail bags of letters and boxes which poured in daily. Five year olds and persons with only one kidney expressed their in-

terest in the project, along with Girl Scouts and Masons. Thousands of coupons were collected by many schools throughout the state, while the Wellsville schools accumulated about 50,000.

With the aid of the telephone company employees and interested individuals, over one million coupons were clipped and counted. Thus, the one million mark surpassed the quota by 400,000 and the remainder shall be used for additional equipment.

During a time in which most people seem to be concerned only with their own lives and problems, the interest in the Bruce Gaylord project shows that there is still some hope for the human race.

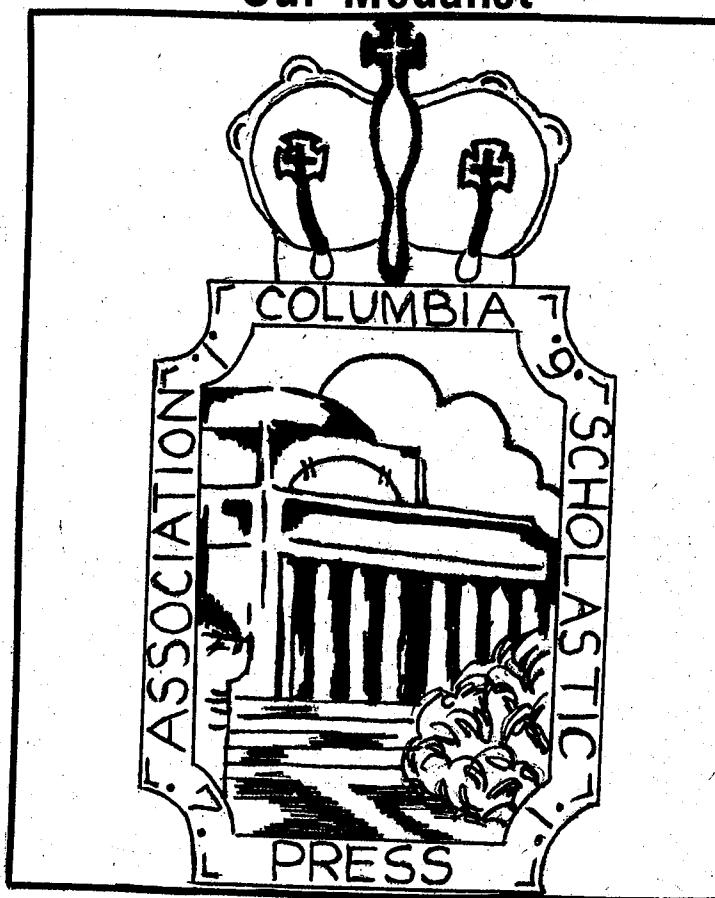
Majority At Fault

Why is it that in general the same students are involved in every school activity. Why must a select band of about 20 represent their class in every phase of school life?

forefront? In the more recent "Earth Week" proceedings, who turned up to clean the environment? It's always the same little cliques which turn up.

Perhaps this division of labor is also

Our Medalist



Fleischer Describes N.Y.C. Adventures

By PETE FLEISCHER

It had been 360 days, 14 hours and 12 minutes since I had last departed from WHS to journey to the 1970 Columbia Scholastic Press Convention. Now I was about to board the bus to return to the scene of the previous year's crimes as the 1971 Owl editors bussed to New York.

The trip started on a foreboding note as we entered a school bus for the first leg of our journey. But it got worse. The bus driver in his zeal was heard to exclaim, "Where to? Anybody know how to get to Rochester?" Thanks to directions from feature editor Heidi Hoppe, we made it to Rochester, despite all adversity and despite a two-hour barrage of songs performed by the Owl's girl choir.

We hopped on a Greyhound bus in Rochester and rode all night, until that magic moment when the sun hit the gleaming, smog-ridden skyline of New

City Music Hall on Thursday.

For dinner that night Heidi, Agnes, Pete, Gary and I went to Heidi's grandmother's home. We bought food at a new deli and brought it back for a feast, "Oma," as she is called, was really nice and we had a good time.

We trained back to catch none other than the Elves, yes our Elves, at Ungano's. They were playing for a record executive, in hopes of a contract.

Thursday night (really 3 a.m. Friday morning) Frank, Gary, Pete and I found ourselves walking the streets. Frank, always the wrestler, wanted to wrestle a mugger (although we couldn't find one), but calmer heads talked him out of it.

CSPA Announces Honors

Friday we attended meetings at Columbia all day and received notice of our Medalist award. Few people realize what this means. Out of 5,000 papers entered in competition,

Jim Hennessy's

Begging Your Pardon

Scheduling in Wellsville High School for the 1971-72 school year will be done in an entirely new way. The tedious "hand-scheduling" method will be replaced by computer scheduling. Although more than half of the United States schools use computers for this purpose, Wellsville has just begun this year.

Principal Joseph Tomasulo, attended a workshop on the use of Finserv computers for two days last August. Also attending were 15 other principals representing schools in the eastern United States. The scheduling process of the computer was explained and each man had a sample school of 75 students to schedule.

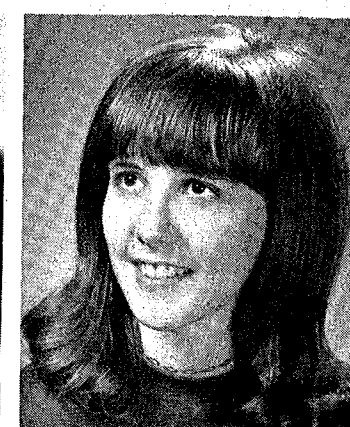
The process begins in the Guidance Office where each student decides upon his subjects for the next year, a programming number is then given to each course. Schedules are put into the computer and it delivers two sheets, one with a list of the student's classes and another with the number of pupils in each subject. After receiving the master schedule from the principal, the computer can then proceed to place each student into his individual classes.

Because 820 schedules must be completed for grades 9-12, this process takes a few weeks. Included is the time taken to mail schedules to Schenectady and back. The actual process of scheduling is normally done in several minutes. Unresolved conflicts between classes sometimes happen, however, these Finserv computers make up to 100 billion decisions for a single school in a maximum of ten hours.

The most obvious advantage to this computer system over handscheduling is the amount of time saved. With the use of these computers the scheduling time has been reduced from ten weeks to about two. It would also take the staff several days to solve conflicts, but the computer can try 1,000 times to solve them in a matter of minutes. Conflicts must be reprogrammed by the office staff if the computer discovers that they cannot be done.

Mr. Tomasulo discovered this method while he lived in Buffalo but the noted that the service wasn't available to Wellsville until this year. Eventually there will be enough computers in western New York so that even a schedule change during the school year won't have to be done by hand.

Schmidt, Hannigan Win Honors As Members Of 'Hall Of Fame'



C. J. Carpenter's



Genius

At Work

The need for escape from the physical world is as old as the society of man itself. When primitive man first bonded together for survival millions of years ago, he created a system of laws and values which were designed to protect the group as a whole, but could only grant meager security for the individual. The price for this security was high. The individual was forced to suppress the violent emotions which came naturally to him. Thus it became wrong to express hate, frustration and fear. Even love was permissible only in moderate doses. Man began the search for physical and mental escape.

We are the unhappy heirs of this dubious set-up. We still endure the fruits of our primitive ancestor's search. For physical release we have competitive sports, which are relatively harmless; however, we have also inherited mass warfare. The personal combat which was considered taboo is now perfectly acceptable in a grossly exaggerated form called war.

While the results of man's quest for physical release are disappointing, the pursuit of mental escape was more fruitful. It was discovered that certain chemicals have the ability to do anything from relieving tension to providing transport to a completely different psychological state. Certain drugs - among them alcohol - have been put into common use for this purpose. Yet none of these are considered perfect.

Alcohol, which is a legal beverage, has been proven to cause serious mental and

yearbook staff, Owl editors, members of Honor Society, sports stars and Thespians, are all populated by each class's small elite group.

Maybe it's a part of a trend toward rejection of all activities by the vast majority, but we think it is simple unadulterated laziness.

It extends beyond academics and sports. In the recent "Refuge" development who was at the

most cases the groups tend to stick to themselves. Both sides could probably work this out, but the basic problem goes back to who's becoming involved and who's sitting and watching.

While the majority sits and complains about the state of affairs, it's about time they got up and participated, to take the load off some rapidly weakening backs.

Water Fountain Blues

The third floor drinking fountain is fast becoming famous for having a mind of its own. It has the uncanny ability to sense the moment a person bends over to get a drink. The exact moment a student or teacher, (it does not discriminate) is ready to drink, the water stops. Apparently there is a magic word or sign to prevent this, for much time has been spent trying to charm or brighten the fountain into giving forth. It has been concluded

through much discussion and experimentation that there is nothing that can be said to the fountain to persuade it to work properly.

Possibly if people stopped talking to the fountain and started speaking to the administration, or maybe a repairman or two, some remedy could be effected. It would appear that the current level of technology in the United States could be applied to this fixture. Maybe all it needs is a bigger hammer.

Inquiring Reporter Asks

How Will You Spend Your Last Day?

Orchestra member, Rita Jedinak says, "I'd like to be with a guy — any guy."

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"I know, but I can't tell you," is Jim Wonderling's reply, accompanied by a sly smile.

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Majorette, Candy Arnold rejoins, "I'd spend it beating up Pete Fleischer for giving someone else my job as Inquiring Reporter."

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Eighth grader Mary Wyrrough decides she'd like to spend her last day getting fat by eating dipsies.

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"I'd spend it the same way I spent my last day in Kansas," remembers Pete Shields.

Cheerleader Elaine Toporas is master of the obvious with her answer, "With Mark, of course."

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Avoiding the question in her usual manner, choir member Anne Wyrrough exclaims, "Outasite!"

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"Well, if I could get out..." wishfully hopes Owl reporter Stacy Cretelos.

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Kenny Kemp, showing his loyalty as a member of the golf team, states, "I'd probably play golf."

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However Don Gardner baffles everyone with his reply, "Very carefully."

departed the bus and taxied to the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. After checking in, Frank Davies, Pete Shields, Gary Kephart and I walked to the United Nations as our first stop. It was interesting until we all fell asleep in some huge conference room; that is, all except, Pete Shields, who asked a question and later claimed that the guide had answered incorrectly.

Agnes Spellicy and I wanted to get an early start for Columbia University where the press conference was held. Thanks to brilliant directions by "Wolfie" Shields, we ended up in the middle of Harlem and had to walk the rest of the way to Columbia, a distance which seemed to be 30 miles.

After brief stops at the automat, Ripley's Believe It or Not Museum, Mr. Posterman and every record store in Times Square, Gary, Pete and I saw the tribal-rock musical "Hair." It was tremendous and funny.

Businessman Meets Girls

Wednesday began quite a few incidents for the girls: they discovered the East Village (especially Greenburg's, our meeting place and organic food store). Heidi Hoppe and Agnes Spellicy discovered that the lock on their door seldom, if ever, opened and the traveling businessman across the hall discovered them.

Thereafter the girls were hassled often to go out for a drink, until finally Ag and Heidi invited him to sit crosslegged with them in the hall during one of their long waits for the manager to open their door. Evidently all the excitement proved too much because he left the next day, but not before offering to buy everyone a case of champagne.

That night brought one of the big highlights of the whole trip, the James Taylor concert at Madison Square Garden. Having \$3.50 tickets, we secured six \$5.50 seats from a friendly scalper. After we bought these tickets we heard scalpers asking \$20 for \$3.50 seats. However, Heidi outdid us all by jumping over police barricades and landing directly in front of the stage.

Crowd Responds

The concert was excellent as Taylor, Carole King and Jo Mamma kept the crowd screaming for three hours, despite the fact that Frank Davies, Shirley Stout, Jody Schmidt and Brenda Scutt fell asleep in their lofty \$3.50 seats.

Kathy McEnroe, Brenda and the others trucked off to Radio

Jody's cousin works as banquet director, the pair got a free tour. Also, that day Jody lost a contact lens on the subway and was pleasantly surprised when New York's "unfriendly" citizens all became involved in the search. Late that afternoon the guys went to the Bronx Zoo so Frank could see a boa constrictor. Meanwhile the girls went to the Central Park Zoo.

Friday night brought the highlight of the trip for me; after a dinner at O'Henry's came a concert at the world famous Fillmore East, featuring the Elvin Bishop Group, the Allman Brothers, and Johnny Winter And. Pete, Gary and I arrived on schedule for the 11:30 show, but Aggie and Heidi ran into a bit more difficulty: their tickets were locked in Mac's safety deposit box.

Around 12:00 they arrived, none the worse for a minor car accident and some explosive language included (free!) in their taxi ride to Fillmore. Gary and the girls left about 3 a.m., but Pete and I stayed until the end, about 5 a.m.

Celebrity Autographs

That same evening the rest of the "Owl" gang met Louis Armstrong, who was entertaining in the Waldorf's Empire Room. Dumbfounded by his unexpected slight stature (he is only 5'3 tall and very thin) they were mistaken for Italians who understood no English. Everything was ultimately cleared up, though, and Mac even got his autograph.

Saturday afternoon, Heidi and I searched and searched for some subs to eat on our eight-hour bus ride home, to no avail. We hungrily (except for Shirley who was never hungry) entered the bus for our return, which was speeded along by Frank's storytelling.

A few pertinent questions which came up have been left unanswered by my account, such as: Where did I find the extra telephone in our room? Why did Jody Schmidt sleep in the bathtub one night? Why did Brenda tie her room key around her neck and wear sunglasses at 3 a.m.? Who were the girls Frank innocently asked, "Do you accept traveler's checks?" Who was playing records in the bus? Why did Aggie, Heidi, Mac and I keep changing seats on the bus? What did I buy in the Women's Liberation store? What was hanging on Frank's wall? How did we win the Medalist? These answers and many more will remain hidden.

J. SCHMIDT

This month's candidates for the "Owl" Hall of Fame are Jody Schmidt and Lucinda Hannigan. They have earned this distinction through their scholastic achievements and participation in extra-curricular activities.

Currently president of the Senior Mixed Choir, Jody has been interested in music throughout high school. This is evident through her participation in choir, both on the junior and senior high levels. She plans to continue in this vein by pursuing a music major in college.

With majors in math, science and French, Jody has done well academically as is shown by her membership in National Junior Honor Society and her status as a Regents scholarship alternate. In her stay at WHS, Jody has belonged to such organizations as Madrigal Group, Leaders' Club, Sportsmanship Club, International Club and Future Teachers. Other organizations in which she has been involved are Quill and Scroll, National Thespians and Student Council. She is presently business manager of the "Owl", and she has served as a queen candidate for both the junior and senior proms.

In her spare time, Jody enjoys such hobbies as cooking, sewing, needlepoint and sports. She also enjoys listening to jazz and blues music and especially favors Lauro Nyro over other popular artists of today.

In passing some words of advice to her fellow students, Jody says, "Enjoy your high school years to the utmost and try to experience all that is possible through school activities."

Lucinda Hannigan, while participating in numerous extra-curricular activities has earned this place chiefly through her high scholastic achievement. A member of National Honor Society, she is presently serving as its treasurer. She also was the recipient of a Regents scholarship this year and gained the honor of winning a National Merit Scholarship. With her academic interests lying in math, science and French, Cindy will attend Houghton College as a math major this fall.

French Honor Society, International Club, French Club and Campus Life are some of Lucinda's extracurricular activities. She also takes time

L. HANNIGAN

out to participate in intramural programs and class teams.

In her leisure time, Cindy enjoys such hobbies as reading science fiction, listening to music, catching up on sleep and she particularly likes "superior underdog teams." She also claims to be writing the "Great American Novel" although she is not certain what it is about.

Lucinda seems to have a rather pessimistic outlook on life for she vows, "If these high school years are the best years of my life, I'm gonna kill myself."

nothing definite has been established about the effects of marijuana it is illegal because it is relatively new to the area. The nations which have always had marijuana, as we have had alcohol, fail to see the bad in it. Science has all the capabilities to produce a safe, cheap intoxicant at any time. But it is forbidden to do so by people who fear that the development of a soma, as described by Aldous Huxley, would lead to the deterioration and eventual extinction of humanity. They prefer the old solutions, alcohol and warfare, over anything better that science could come up with. After all they're already legal. At least we'll go out with a bang.

Kirby Jensen's

Inside Looking Out

From the standpoint of album music the state of today's popular music is sad. Many excellent albums never are heard over AM radio and consequently never become popular. FM radio helps to acquaint more people with some of the lesser known musicians of today and gives them the recognition they deserve.

A variety of styles are available in "Open" by the Blues Image. This album contains a little blues, a little jazz and some good rock. Unfortunately there are only two cuts that are really good. The first is "Ride, Captain, Ride," the story of the escape of

73 Viet Nam bound drafties. The other is a beautiful blues cut, "Clean Love."

Livingston Taylor, brother of James, Alex, and Kate, has a truly fantastic album simply titled "Livingston Taylor." Only a person familiar with the Taylors could distinguish between the voices of Livingston and James, but the songs tell the story.

While some of James Taylor's music is serious or even sad Livingston's songs are tremendously elevating. Every song is pure joy from Carolina and guaranteed to make you smile. This is one enjoyable piece of sound.

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Coaches Encounter Facility Frustrations

At long last the voters of the Wellsville School District have offered a tangible note of confidence to its ever-frustrated athletic department. The 12 to one turnout this spring showing favor in referendum to the building of an addition to the Brooklyn School is undoubtedly the first encouragement in many years to offset athletic facility disappointments.

Combining a competition-size swimming pool and new gymnasium facilities roughly the size of our present girls' gym, the proposed addition is the first sizable addition to Wellsville's recreational utilities since the "new" Washington School building and its playing area came into being several years ago.

Progress Follows Distantly

Meanwhile coaches and administrators have seen already poor outdoor facilities deteriorate or fall to the bulldozers in the face of "progress." It is unfortunate how distantly this "progress" follows its bulldozer vanguard.

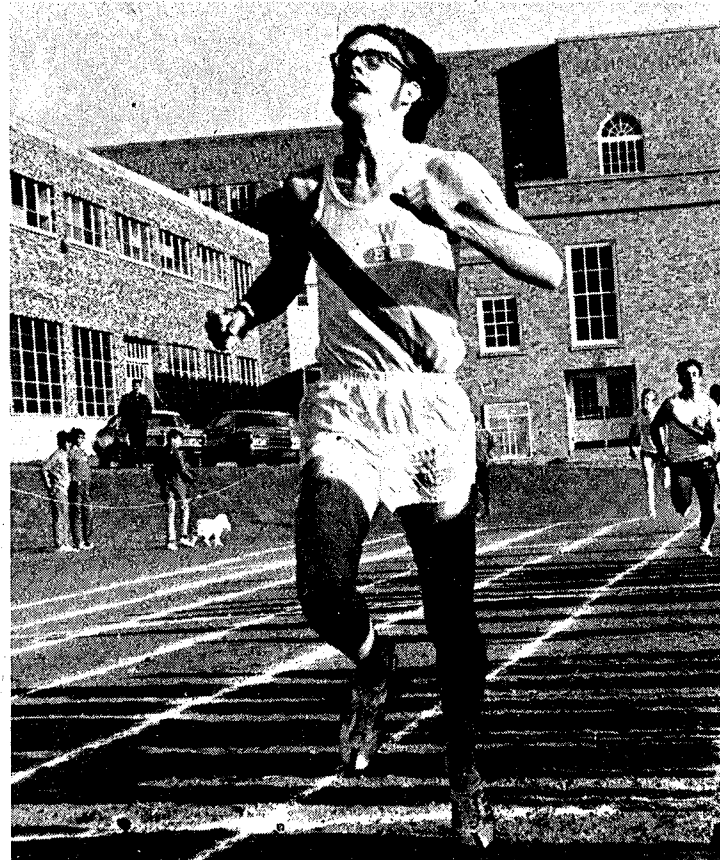
Tullar Field, for those of us who remember, was once a baseball diamond home to a bush league Boston Red Sox team. When its green grandstand and field house buildings were taken, it was with the general understanding of greater things to come.

There was and is much talk of a recreational complex with baseball and football fields, tennis courts and a swimming pool. To date the high school plays both baseball and football on the original fields, or what's left of them, minus both the conveniences torn out, and those promised. The fire-police complex is the only construction so far in evidence. School-used grounds have benefited only by a fresh layer of mud replacing once-paved access to the park, and a lighted riverside entrance where spectators can see the ankle deep mud day or night.

Courts Insufficient

Tennis courts have faced similar slow death depreciation, starting with the removal of the street-side fence, and later by digging beneath the courts to replace or install pipelines. Thus, while two courts were never actually sufficient for the school team's or the town's use, we are now left with one, naturally the poorer of the two, after flooded by spring rains.

Wellsville's quarter-mile track has likewise suffered this fate, slowly deteriorating beyond



BREAKING THE TAPE in a time of 57.8 seconds for a first place finish in the 440 yard dash is Wellsville's Chris Anderton. Anderton is undefeated at this time, having raced against 440 runners from eight different teams.

WHS Netmen Lose Exhibition At Galetton

Visiting at Hornell for their season debut, a young Lions tennis team overwhelmed their hosts 4-0, as first doubles; the last match of the game was called because of darkness.

Playing at the first singles position, junior Mike Wyrrough defeated Tom Cannon of Hornell, 6-2, 6-2. Bill McHenry fell to Don Comstock, 6-0, 6-1 for the Wellsville win in second singles play. Pete Shields took Steve Harris, 6-0, 6-2 to complete the Lion singles sweep.

In second doubles competition, Bob Jedinak paired up with Dave Vakyles to best the Raiders' Sid Hollbrook and Joe O'Connor, 6-1, 6-1.

Mike Wyrrough won the second singles point, downing Curt Knapp 6-1, 6-1, to offset Speare's 9-7, 6-1 win. At the third singles spot it was Pete Shields over Ken Long, 6-0, 6-0.

First doubles teammates Comstock and Wyrrough dismissed Dave VanGelder and George Reigelsberger, 6-2, 6-0, and Speare and Knapp dumped Walsh and Harder, 9-5 in exhibition play.

State Initiates Coed Contests

Calendar of Events

TRACK
April 30 home Franklinville
May 5 at Randolph
May 8 at Hornell
Invitational
May 12 at Olean
May 15 Spring Day
May 17 home Bath
May 19 at Portville
May 26 Southern Tier
Track Meet
Steuben County
Salamanca

GOLF
May 3 home Canisteo
May 6 at Bath
May 10 home Hornell
May 13 at Canisteo
May 17 home Bath
May 19 at Coudersport

TENNIS
April 30 home Alfred-Almond
May 4 at East
May 6 home Cowanesque
May 7 at Alfred-Almond
May 11 home Hornell
May 12 at Addison
May 18 at Bath
May 19 home West
May 22 County Tournament
Addison

May 25 home East
May 27 at Cowanesque

BASEBALL
May 6 at Bath
May 7 home Hornell
May 11 at Addison
May 14 home Bath
May 15 at East
May 19 at Hornell
May 21 home Olean
May 25 home Dansville
May 27 home Salamanca

J.V. BASEBALL
May 6 home Bath
May 7 at Hornell
May 14 at Bath
May 19 home Hornell
May 21 at Olean
May 25 at Dansville
May 28 home Fillmore

Golfers Open Play With Tie, 2 Wins

On the Wellsville Country

Veteran Nine Defeat Eagles



HEAVING THE SHOT PUT in Wellsville's dual meet with Allegany held April 22, Jim Lee placed second for the hosts. The Lions won the meet with a 40 point margin and are scheduled to meet Franklinville tomorrow, here at 4:15.

Lions Lose Tri-Meet; Top Dansville Squad

Wellsville High School's track team finished behind Bath and ahead of Dansville in a dual double track meet in Dansville April 27 with a total of 66 points scored against Bath and 75 against Dansville.

Nine Wellsville boys took first against Dansville and eight of these nine also took firsts against Bath. These first place winners and a number of second and third place finishers gave Wellsville its 75-67 victory over Dansville, but weren't enough to enable the Lions to overcome a powerful Bath as they were defeated by a score of 75-66.

The first place finishers for

with a 5'11" jump, Jim Lee in the shot put and Steve Brocius in discus.

Eight of these boys also won first places in their events two days later during the dual meet between Allegany and Wellsville in Wellsville.

The Lions amassed 90½ points to overcome the Blue Devils who finished with a 50 5-6 point total. The 11 first place winners for Wellsville were Charlie Gorham, Rob LaForge, Bob McNulty, Chris Anderton, Tim Forhan, Terry Norris, Mark Richardson, Dwight Lewis, Charlie Gardner and a mile relay team consisting of Dave Roeske, Jeff Arnold, Mark

Coach Dave Brown's varsity baseball team capped a 15-7 game opener against Alfred-Almond last weekend, hitting Eagles' pitchers Hardy and Parker all over the field as Bob Ross held down the mound for the locals.

Both teams were plagued by errors, as stolen bases built up small hits to double and triple RBI's. The first inning told the tale for the game's remainder, as the hosts took an 8-0 lead.

Steven Mattison, Wellsville's second baseman led off with a double. Pitcher Ross singled advancing Mattison to third, setting up the first run situation as Bruce Trowbridge grounded into an error.

Shortstop Phil Masin filled the bases on a walk and Lion first baseman John Pustawski brought in two of the three on an outfielded single. Rick Main loaded the bases again on a wild pitch, and fielder Fred Perry went to bat with a single, bringing in Masin for a 4-0 tally.

Mattison drew a walk forcing in Pustawski while catcher Dan McMorris hit in center fielders Main and Perry.

Alfred Almond's first run came in the top of the second on a blooper between center and right fields, a triple for the batter. With two men on base, another Eagle hit was thrown into the dirt at the first baseman's feet, an error which cost Wellsville two more runs. Ross struck out the next batter to confirm an earlier double play and bring the Lions to bat.

Phil Masin hit into a force play at first, preceding Pustawski who singled in his third time at bat. Mike Edwards hit into a force play putting Pustawski out, with the left fielder on first. Third baseman Bill Curran of Alfred Almond dropped Main's next hit to fill first and second. Fred Perry took a strike on the full count pitch to end the inning.

In the top of the third inning two visitors grounded out base hits between two force plays and a line drive catch by

on the home cinders.

Conditions such as these have driven at least two coaches out of town, tennis coach Frank Cady to Alfred and Andover to play his "home" matches, and track coach Jerry DeGraff to Alfred to stage his county and Spring Day track meets.

Now, at least, a swimming pool is part of the foreseeable future. Hopefully, these additions will start a trend toward bringing the Lions back to Wellsville.

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Hornell's Dick Dunning and Mike Getman fell to Steve Harder and Pete Cretekos, 9-4. Coach Frank Cady was understandably pleased with his team's opening win, commenting "Everyone did a good job." He went on to praise the outstanding performance of several players, but also observed, "Hornell is rebuilding just as we are."

Wellsville saw similar success its second trip out, defeating Bath's Haverling High, 4-1 at Andover. Irv Speare dropped Don Comstock in first singles for the lone Bath tally, as Wellsville took its four points in two-game sets.

Don't Forget



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possibility has become a reality at WHS this year. In the fall of 1969 the State Education Department passed a resolution containing provisions for the experimental involvement of girls in non-contact sports. Specifically, this included tennis, golf, swimming, bowling, riflery and track. However, the final decision of whether or not to carry on this program in a certain school was left to the school board of each school.

When this provision was learned of locally, a delegation of girls brought up the matter before the School Board which voted it down because of insufficient funds, coaches and locker facilities.

Schools which did participate in this experiment, filed their resulting statistics with the State Education Department and as a result a new resolution was passed allowing female participation in those designated non-contact sports. This time the final okay was left to the school principal. After conferring with the athletic department, Joseph Tomasulo gave his consent.

of 31½-23½. Tied for Medalist honors for Wellsville and Coudersport were Ken Kemp of Wellsville and George Roup of Coudersport. Each contributed a score of 41 for nine holes.

Team scores were as follows: Wellsville: Steve Stout, 43 (6); Chuck Neal, 42 (7½); Ken Kemp, Medalist, 41 (9½); Larry Stout, 50 (1); Bill Geoppner, 42 (7½). Coudersport: George Roup, Medalist, 41 (9½); Bill Sallada, 44 (5); Gary Francis, 46 (3); Jeff Carts, 45 (4); Jim Lidhome, 47 (2).

The first league match for the Wellsville linkmen will take place today at the Hornell golf course.

In a tri-match, Wellsville High School golfers defeated Bolivar, 28-27, but lost their decision to Olean, 37-18, April 22 at the Wellsville Country Club.

Reviewing the team's first home outing Wellsville coach Ray Watson said, "The boys did fairly well considering the conditions of the wind. Capabilities weren't up to par, but Chuckie Neal certainly had a good day."

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Condon, pole vault, Norris, high jump, Lee, shot put, Buchholz, discus, Hall, 2 mile.

Coach DeGraff had this comment about his team's performance in the meet, "I don't feel the boys performed as well as they could have, but now it's evident to all of us where we need to work harder."

Wellsville's first two wins were over Allegany, April 22, and in a five team meet, April 20, the Lions easily outdistanced its closest runnerup, Alfred-Almond, by a total of 62 points.

In the Alfred-Almond track meet, Wellsville finished with 126 points followed by Alfred-Almond with 64, Arkport with 47, Houghton Academy with 23 and Angelica with 4.

The Lions won 11 of the 18 events showing a definite weakness in the sprints, in which they did no better than a third place.

Wellsville's 11 winners in this meet were Chris Anderton in the 440, Tim Forhan in the 880, Bob McNulty in the mile, Dave Lorschbaugh in the low hurdles, Charlie Gorham in the high hurdles, an 880 relay team consisting of Guy Stillman, Rob LaForge, Dwight Lewis and Mark Richardson, a mile relay team consisting of Mike Schen, Scott Walsh, Mark Van Tyne and Danny McDaniels, Mark Richardson in the pole vault, Terry Norris, who captured the high jump

meet Frankville, April 30, in Wellsville.

Colleges Present Sports Experiences

Many of Wellsville's college bound seniors may find among the numerable activities new to their experience, several competitive sports not practiced by area high schools.

Of these, Lacrosse is perhaps the single most popular game in area universities, as it offers a fast and exciting brand of competition combining aspects of hockey, football and soccer into a game rewarding to both player and spectator.

Harvard and Princeton were first to play the game in the U.S., introducing it in the early 1880's and founding the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association, which presently has nearly 100 member colleges.

Ten players take the field for each team. A game lasts for one hour, and is divided into four periods. The ball is put into play by means of a face-off similar to hockey, and the team attempts to kick it, or crading it with a crosse, to throw or carry it toward the goal.

Goals are six feet wide, and equally high, having a net at their back. They are placed 15 yards in from the end of the playing area.

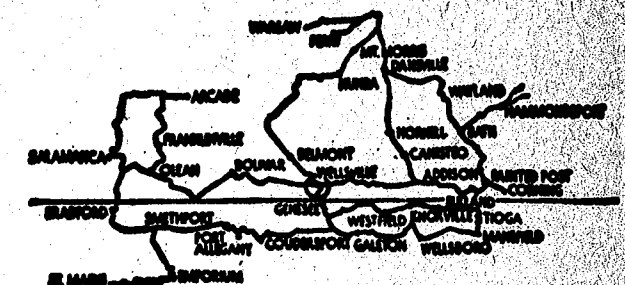
The crosse, deriving its name from a similarity to a bishop's crosier, is substantially the same as the device used by the Indians, though it may vary greatly, from two to six feet in length, depending on the position of the player.

Rowing or crew is another activity practiced by many Middle Atlantic and New England area colleges, on both varsity and intramural levels, involving competitive racing of light craft by two, four, six or eight man teams of oarsmen.

Yale was the first college known to have practiced the sport in America, competing in 1852 against a Harvard team.

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Ecology Club Commences Drive To Fight Wellsville's Pollution

"In preparation for the future, we urge Wellsville residents to mix detergents, especially those containing phosphates, with all food to be consumed by man or beast. Also, those still drinking water should substitute fish bones for ice cubes and add equal quantities of oil and dirt so you will be accustomed to our future thirst quencher. Most important, children should be taught how to draw disgusting, but colorful garbage heaps instead of flowers and trees."

A put on? No, just a warning about the future from WHS's newly-organized Ecology Club. Through posters carrying similar, but more ominous slogans, the club hopes to awaken people to the growing pollution problem confronting them.

Open to all students and faculty members who are concerned about their environment, the club meets every Tuesday after school in the cafeteria. Advising is Jerome Lucot, junior high science teacher. Recently elected officers are Todd Boring, president, Cheryl Hannigan, vice president and Charles Curtis, secretary.

After several organizational meetings in which their aims were defined, Ecology Club decided to first clean the school before progressing to the town. Thus, on successive weeks, the three floors received thorough scrubbing and sweepings. From desks and corners were taken gum, paper and frequently, four letter words.

Club Sponsors Campaign

While busily cleaning rooms and corridors, members were able to comment on both



CLEANING UP THE COURTYARD are Ecology Club members Roger Stevens, Todd Boring and Theresa Finn. Ecology Club was recently organized to fight Wellsville's pollution.

usual littered appearance. Mr. Lucot noted, "We can't just go around cleaning up for people all the time. They must know the problem and help to solve it themselves."

To acquaint the public with Wellsville's own pending ecological disaster and to arouse their concern, actual photographs of our litter-strewn streets and dying river will be used with the slogans in the poster campaign. One member stated, "To get the passive public to believe this once clean town has a problem, we'll have to give them proof, even if it makes them sick. Maybe then, they will think twice about throwing down one beer can or one paper."

In collaboration with the local Parent Teacher's Association, Ecology Club is sponsoring a recycling campaign. Glass bottles, aluminum cans, paper and magazines are all being collected and transported to recycling plants where they are treated, remade and used again.

was highlighted by a massive "Eliminate Litter" campaign. Besides beautifying many streets and river banks in Wellsville, the club's efforts inspired the citizens to pick up their own yards.

While cleaning up the town, some members noted some other things people can do besides ceasing to litter to help the environment.

First, the public should avoid using plastic bleach and detergent bottles and plastic wrap, as they do not decompose.

Secondly, detergents containing phosphates should be avoided as they do not biodegrade and add immensely to our increasing water pollution problems. Also, if anyone is aware of anyone else unknowingly or knowingly contributing to the ecological disaster, he should report them either to the police or to an Ecology Club member, who can investigate the situation.

Before hauling away a load of collected litter, Mr. Lucot

Society Taps 31 Initiates

National Junior Honor Society recently held its annual induction ceremonies in the WHS auditorium. Chosen from both ninth and eighth graders, 31 students gained membership.

Miss Alice Filkins and Mrs. Vera Farnsworth, advisors for the group, noted that the local chapter of National Junior Honor Society was started in 1957. To be a member, an eighth grader must have a scholastic average of at least 90 per cent.

Membership is also based upon four other criteria: character, citizenship, service and leadership. These traits are symbolically represented by the colors gold, white, red and green respectively, which appear on their emblem. If these characteristics are not maintained, membership is withdrawn.

Included among the freshman entering this elite society are Lynn Allen, Melanie Blake, Diane Braunschweiger, Margaret Clark, Robert Crittenden, Rachel Gorham, Cathy Gustafson, Chris Harriger, Beth Harrison, Nancy Heywood and Brenda Keller. Also inducted were Louise Lehman, Lisa Perry, Kent Ritter, David Roberts, Susan Spellicy, Eva Szabo, Elizabeth Walpole, Patricia Wells, Dennis Whelpley and Debra Widman.

Inductees from eighth grade are Vicki Burchfield, Michelle Carpenter, Debra Corbin, Cynthia Cretekos, Francine Evangelista, Denise Hauselt, Jacinta Mourhess, Patricia Mueller, Sandra Skillman and Mary Wyrrough.

Among those serving on the induction team were Cathy Fleischer, chapter president; Peter Ganas, vice-president and Richard Jackson, secretary. Daniel Higgins, Roger Stevens, Adele Jackley, Kevin LaForge, Susan McGinnis and Linda Pauletta also aided in the induction ceremonies.

New inductees were given a pin with five colored ribbons representing the qualities



DISPLAYING ONE OF HIS MANY TALENTS is Doug "Agway" Edson. Often unpredictable, Doug is very successful in entertaining his fellow classmates.

Reporters Interview Doug 'Agway' Edson

By JUNIOR OWL STAFF

Defeating all his opponents by a wide margin, senior Doug Edson, better known as "Agway," recently has been dubbed Male Joker of the Senior Class. Infamous for his varied and unbelievable talents, Agway adds character as well as humor to the halls of WHS.

Doug attributes the founding of his nickname to a habit of calling people "farmers" but the sobriquet was brought into popular use by Jim Lee's ceaseless calls of "Agway." "I really prefer Harold," confessed Doug, "Because it has a certain 'sophistication' to it."

Agway's most outstanding characteristic is his perpetual knack for practical jokes. His favorite prank is a telephone sequence in which he calls a friend and identifies himself as the radio station, phoning to notify the lucky winner of a

lengthy Theory of Cohesion word for word. Another achievement was teaching a car to run at his command for the seventh grade Science Fair. Unfortunately, the mastermind claims he was denied an award because the judges didn't believe the feat was possible.

One of the newest ideas in psychology, extra-sensory perception, is a puzzling topic to Agway. Through personal experience with one person (a girl, believe it or not) in the senior class, Agway thinks there is some truth in the belief that people can foresee and do things at the same time.

Having hunches that usually come true and thinking the same thoughts are two items that support his belief. If he knows a person well ESP has a special meaning, not just a mere coincidence.

Doug Plays Pots

Musically inclined, Agway

Television Poll Reveals Student Viewing Habits

Did you know that the average student watches 3.7 hours of television daily? This was determined through a recent 'Owl' poll involving seventh, eighth, tenth and eleventh graders.

On the average, seventh graders watch 3.9 hours daily, while eighth graders jump to 4.1 hours. In contrast to them, juniors watch about three hours and the sophomores 3.8 hours. Because of lack of response, seniors and freshman were excluded from the poll.

While the number of television sets in each family varied, the majority of students replied they owned two, with 45 percent having color sets. Of the students polled, one-third have TV sets in their bedrooms.

When queried about their favorite programs, most students mentioned CBS's "Medical Center," ABC's "Marcus Welby, M.D." and NBC's "Star Trek." Comedy and musical programs were the most popular categories named, while the most popular network was CBS, followed by ABC, and NBC, respectively.

Those questioned were almost unanimous in naming soap

operas as their least favorite programs. Comments ranged from "stupid," "boring," and "childish" to "soap operas are just fantasies for tired housewives." Consequently the afternoon hours were cited as the worst time for TV.

About half of those polled confessed they do their homework while watching or listening to the television. "Not chemistry, though," retorted one junior.

"Pay TV", in which viewers would pay a small fee for each program watched, has become a controversial issue in the past months as a replacement for commercials. Queried as to whether they would like commercials eliminated through "Pay TV", 90 percent of the students chose to continue with commercials as they are often amusing and a welcome relief.

"Networks should rearrange the time schedule of some programs," was one participant's reply as to how television could be improved. Others suggested that soap operas be dropped, that commercials be grouped together and shown after a program, and that more movies be shown.

Kim Scutt Earns Faculty's Honor

April's addition to "We Choose to Honor" is Kim Scutt. Selected for her accomplishments during junior high Kim has participated in many activities.



her fortes she was a member of the seventh and eighth grade choirs. She has been a Junior 'Owl' reporter since seventh grade.

As a junior varsity cheerleader Kim enjoys all sports, but she insists that basketball is her favorite sport. She has been a member of her class volleyball and basketball teams and intramurals.

In her spare time Kim likes to paint and draw. Usually on weekends when she finds time, she cooks exotic and challenging dishes as well as simple recipes. However, box mixes are the easiest for her.

On sewing her own clothes, Kim explains, "I can be

the kids begin to appreciate what we are doing and then help to clean our school." Through recycling, we are cleaning up but also conserving our waning resources." Unfortunately, after a few days, the school regained its

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tually force everyone to do his own share to fight and eliminate this growing pollution menace. We can't overlook it any longer."

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School Spelling Title

Eighth grade student Steven Stratford has been selected to represent Wellsville High School in the Buffalo Evening News Spelling Contest for the third consecutive year. Serving as alternate is Craig Kephart, also an eighth grader.

To determine the representative, a written spelling test was administered by Mrs. Mary Kay Baker March 24 to all interested seventh or eighth grade pupils. The contest, which has been in existence since 1927, is open to all students in grades six through nine in the Western New York area.

Placing second last year in the county, Steven was entitled to compete in the Western New York spell down. Even with the stiff competition, Steven placed 20th.

April 23, Steven competed for the third time in the county championship which was held in Wellsville. If he places first or second in the county, this will enable him to compete for the second time in Buffalo.

radios, asks if a television set will be acceptable as a replacement prize.

Agway Imitates Birds

In addition to his joking, Agway has won fame with the winged species in the area for his ever-popular bird calls, which include the Western Grebe, chickadee, robin and seagull. Agway credits his skill to "years of practice and patience" and highly recommends a similar perseverance to those wishing to follow the same hobby.

Imitations of John Wayne, Johnathan Winters and perverted Uncle Ernie from the Who's rock opera "Tommy" are another "Agway special" frequently in demand. Less well-known but equally entertaining are his songs and stories, especially the "Three Little Pigs" told with a rearrangement of letters resulting in the "Pee Little Thrigs."

Doug is also an avid science bug and never fails to tackle the most difficult problems available. He has recently memorized the complicated and

Agway is currently vice-president of Latin Club. While at the Latin Club Convention last summer, Doug and several other WHS students made copies of a rearranged schedule of events and distributed them to unwary Latin Club members. These delegates then attended all meetings at the wrong time and place.

Interested in Boy Scouts since sixth grade, Agway will be a counselor this summer at Wolf Creek Camp located in Obi. Commenting on his job, Agway said, "It should be a lot of fun since I'll be working as a lifeguard on the waterfront."

He further explained that it is an experience to be a counselor at the camp since only very capable scouts are employed. April 26 he was awarded the Eagle Rank, the highest attainable in the organization.

Agway enjoys all sports and has been a member of the track team since ninth grade. Rugged exercise, like running, keeps his body in shape more than anything else. He insists that he has an "inborn sense of survival" and exercise maintains it.

In college Agway expects to abandon former studies and branch out into a different field — ceramics. He has been accepted by Alfred University and plans to attend because of its "fine courses and facilities."

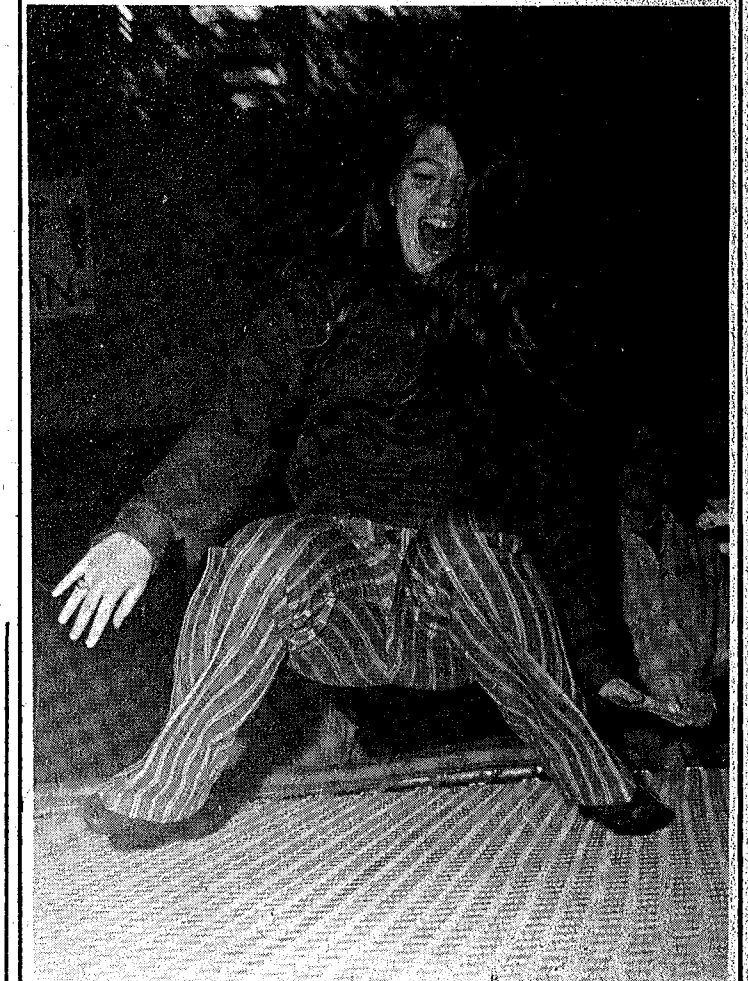
Agway is content to be himself, and when asked his philosophy, simply stated, "Be yourself, make the best of everything and don't take anything seriously."

chestra and this year she was promoted to Senior Orchestra contributing in the same capacity.

Although singing is not one of

Her post-high school plans are indefinite, but she does have the desire to study and teach art or become a private business owner.

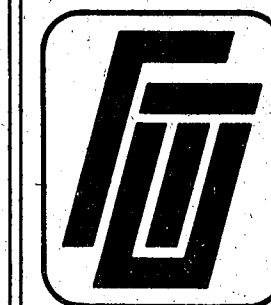
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