Buckskin Beauties Vie For Crown

Janice Nyquist

Wild West Homecoming Week will wrap up this Friday when the 1974-75 NHS Queen is crowned. Six Senior girls—Terry Albis, Sueie Evans, Julie Faustyn, Anne Fitzpatrick, Donna Guard and Karen McDonald were up for Queen. Now the running is limited to Terry, Anne, and Karen. One of these three will be crowned Homecoming Queen at an assembly Friday.

Terry has been active in Pep Club, Band, class council and National Honor Society. She has been a Pom Pom girl and has participated in gymnastics and G&L. Her hobbies are sewing and gymnastics. Terry is presently employed at Quersey's. She plans to attend the University of Michigan School of Nursing next year.

Anne is a Varsity cheerleader and has taken a Pom Pom girl. She is active in Pep Club, National Honor Society and is recording secretary for the class council. This summer, Anne was in Belgium as an exchange student. Her interests are football and traveling. She plans to major in business in college.

KAREN

Karen, Varsity Cheerleading co-captain, enjoys swimming and dancing. She is a member of NHS Club. She has also participated in swimming. Karen was the class vice president last year and this year. She is a member of National Honor Society and Pep Club, Karen plans to go into professional dancing.

Other members of the Queen's court will be Freshmen class representative, Jane Wiertzema, Sophomore representative, Edith Hanert and Denise MacDermid, representing the Junior class.

Fantasticks Offer 'Real Crowd Pleaser'

Greg Johnson

"This is one show people really like! It has run 5000 straight performances in off Broadway theatres so this must tell something about the show," stated Mr. Kinke, director of this year's fall play, The Fantasticks.

"The show has already stirred a little controversy about the nature of it but it is a new type of show with a very new, fresh way to present it."

The show will open in just three weeks from tonight on Nov. 6 and will run through Nov. 9.

‘Dream Comes True’ For Mccloud

Vena Hoelder

"At first it was somewhat hectic, but that was because I wasn’t yet familiar with the procedure."

The only noticeable difference he finds between teaching and administrating is a small gap in communication and loss of direct contact with students in his classroom teaching. However, Mr. McCloud feels "The students who got along with me when I was a teacher, still get along with me now."

When asked if he missed coaching he looked down at the pencil he was tapping on his desk and said, "I’ve been involved in football every fall

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Wild Week Welcomes Old West

Sue Evans

Remember all the hard work and fun of preparing for Homecoming? This year the excitement of this special week has been brought back as the classes and clubs are tackling the job of building floats according to the theme of "The Old West."

To start off Homecoming week, Oct. 1-19, Student Congress has been hard at work scheduling all events for class competition. Monday, scheduled the 2nd hour assembly (chairman: Anne Vinnes), the Horseshoe Throwing contest (chairman: Anne Vinnes), and the Car Pile Up (Kim Goldi). Yesterday, the Arm Wrestling Match, Water Gun Dual, and the All-Day Western Dress-Up (Lavonie LaFerre) were the attractions. Today's program starts off with the Pie Eating and Milk Chugging Contest (Cathy Poust and Lourdes Day). Tonight will be the Flag Football game (Anne Fitzpatrick).

Lasso and Square Dancing contest will be judged tomorrow during lunch hours. Later on will be the Tug-O-War and Covered Wagon Races (John Coran Margi Boland, Kathy Carter, Steve Laffier). At night there will be the J.V. game (Lora Sepp, Anne Fitzpatrick) and the Bonfire (Lord Sanders & Johanna McLean). Friday, the 3rd hour assembly. Decorated Halls (Pep Club), the Homecoming Parade and Varsity Football game (Mary Jo Marburger) are the list of events.

To wind up the week the Homecoming dance (Pep Club) will be on Saturday.

NHS Impress New Principal

Vena Hoelder

"Most of the students know where they’re at and how they’re going," comments new NHS principal, Mr. Tarpinian.

Mr. Tarpinian was principal at Pinney High in Detroit three years and last year at Cody High School.

"You don’t have the tension in the atmosphere here at Northville which existed in the other schools in the area of racial conflicts," he continued.

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Go, Speed Racers

D. D. Rigs

"Somebody's going to get killed one day." We've heard that line since we were freshmen. But still we see students racing old jalopies, Daddy's Continentals and motorcycles down the back hill, proving their masculinity by causing our insurance rates to skyrocket and risking our very lives.

These Back-Hill-Swallow-Kneelers seem to think it's all a big joke, but I certainly don't. I can tell you first-hand experience that its frightening to turn the top corner and see a Big-Han Speed-Demon coming straight at you, even with some ungodly speed.

But they laugh at fear like Greek gods and tell you ironically that they'd smirk in the face of death. The Administration, I'm glad to say, isn't ashamed to admit they would not smirk in the face of death. In fact, they have admitted it publically by announcing that they will prosecute anyone caught displaying their manliness in this fashion. They have contacted the police. (Who, by the way, will be keeping a close watch on our so-called "Private Race-way") and have made it clear to them that they will not hesitate to press charges.

So I say to you, MPH, batting my eyelashes. "Show me your engine-idiots. And add mockingly: SPEED RACERS!"

It Ain't What It Used To Be

Sue Evans

Thespians, Future Nurses of America, Commercial Club, Model United Nations, Future Teachers of America, Homemakers Club, Where are they?

The clubs use to exist in our high school. Why don't they now? Could it be a lack of student interest, a lack of teachers as sponsors? Both. I don't have the answer... I wish I did. However, there are many students who lose interest, but with time it takes so long to (hopefully) get a sponsor. By that time, the anticipation and enthusiasm are gone. I'm sure that our attitude and behavior has had a lot to do with the teacher's lack of interest. But every year we are a new group hoping to have the same priviledges in high school that our former students had. Give us your rules, and we will try to play the game.

Some sponsors get paid. It is very understandable to us that there should not be a double standard. All sponsors should be paid. Is one club more important? No. not to that interested individual. We hope the teachers who have the time and talent would step forward.

Education is more than academics. So much of learning comes from extra-curricular activities — give us one more chance to pick and choose on our way to maturity.

OPEN door

I would like to clear up a misconception held by many students regarding vocational education. The vocational program has frequently been slipped into a corner of the curriculum — a corner designed to accommodate students considered to do anything else. Vocational education has therefore suffered from a negative image.

With an increasing emphasis on career exploration has come a great increase in the number of students in vocational education. A large number of students are choosing vocational programs— job training. I would like to see more of our students take advantage of the various vocational and business classes being offered in the areas of electronics, auto mechanics, welding, graphics, drafting, food services, accounting, data processing and typing. These courses help students to develop occupational competence which will enable them to compete in the world of work.

Preparing Yourself

The goal of education, whether it be at Northville High School or any other school, should be to help students learn to adequately cope with the real problems of life that await them after graduation.

The students’ attitude is of the utmost importance in the process of acquiring a good education. Enthusiasm is not supposed to entertain the student. The student has a responsibility to bring something to the classroom with him, and this is a willingness to work. This is a time for learning the things you need to survive in the modern world.

I hope you have a successful school year.

Michael Karpowitz

Student Efforts Go Down Drain

Greg Johnson

After all the work students did just a few years ago in order to get open study halls here at Northville High, why has there been a sudden Detroit crackdown which has closed them this year?

In the past three years, students were allowed to leave the building and go to the cafeteria during their study hall. Ninety percent of these students did not abuse this privilege.

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"Today is not yesterday: we ourselves change; how can our works and thoughts, if they are always to be the fittest, continue always the same?"

—Carlyle

Kim Bingley

The first thing people think of when they hear "school spirit" is rooting for Northville at a football game. But actually it's much more than that—it's getting involved and using your own special talents to maintain the "spirit" of our high school.

Look around. Students at NHS are active in drama, athletics, art, music, forensics, ski club, debate and Student Congress, to name a few. They've won awards in everything from creative writing to cheerleading to mechanical drawing. And they're constantly learning things—in new, interesting classes, the Shared Time program, and Co-Op. Now, you can't tell me that these kids aren't enthused about what they're doing! Isn't that school spirit?

I believe school spirit will never die as long as kids are proud, not just of NHS, but proud of themselves and their accomplishments because they are the school.

P.S. Seniors will "take it all" during Homecoming Week!!

Teacher Profile

English Addition 'Down To Earth'

Editor’s note: Each issue of the MUSTANGER will attempt to feature a new teacher or teachers. This is the first in a series.

"My favorite summer pastime is just laying around the pool, getting nice and TAN."

These words coming from a teacher? Impossible! But true. They came directly from the mouth of Mrs. Marion Wilcox, a small but mighty addition to the English department this year, who believes in telling it like it is.

With a Bachelor of Arts degree from Michigan State University and six years teaching experience under her belt, Mrs. Wilcox comes to NHS every morning to begin a teaching day of Modern American Literature, Composition, and Short Stories. And, she groans, the hardest part is getting up out of bed in time for her 7:00 class.

For the past three years she's taught Journalism and Yearbook at Henry Ford High School in Detroit. With that background, how does she like Northville High? "I think smaller schools..."

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School Spirit Loses To Inflation

Kim Bingley

Does the increasing cost of tickets for school athletic activities keep you away? Apparently it does because you no longer see the crowds we saw five years ago that were rushing through the ticket gate to get a good seat for the kick-off, jump, or first race. Instead, the bleachers appear splattered with a few spectators here and there.

I can see why the grandstands are empty. If you want to attend the following sports events at an average price per game, your wallet would be empty:

Boy's Varsity Football—9 games x 75¢ = $6.75
Boy's J.V. Football ---8 games x 25¢ = $2.00
Boy's Varsity Swimming—20 meets x 50¢ = $10.00
Boy's Varsity Basketball—20 games x 75¢ = $15.00
TOTAL = $33.75

(Note: This is an average price on presale tickets. It doesn't include tickets on sale at the door, state or league meets, gas or refreshments.)

The money from the tickets goes towards the expenses of the sport which includes paying off the bond, electric bills, etc. With the price of uniforms going up 50%, electricity rising to an all time high, and the officials raising fees for an increased salary, I expect the price of tickets to increase too.

But for now, a possible solution to fighting the outrageous price of tickets, could be a season pass. This pass would be sold to any individual willing to purchase it.

If students could buy season passes at reduced prices, I feel that the splooged bleachers would burn into the once raging crowds we saw five years ago.

Alternate Program

Kathy Jones

How would you like to earn high school credits without attending any regular classes? This is what "Alternate Program" is all about.

According to Mr. Denmore, the co-ordinator of the program, "our program offers a chance to the student of how he wishes to go about earning his credits."

There are two different ways to earn credits besides taking the regular classes. One way is taking independent study courses, another is by acquiring work experience, and the last is by doing volunteer community work. Students may also take whatever classes they wish at the regular high school along with this program.

Everyone involved in "Alternate Program" is required to attend a two hour workshop. Credits, no grades, in English and Social Studies will be given for the workshop.

This school will hold a maximum of 20 to 40 students. Students will be selected by Mr. Denmore. Students dissatisfied with the traditional program will be selected.

The first semester will start in January, 1975. Along with Mr. Denmore will be parents, students, and administrators who will help her work to finish the school.

Anyone interested in the program can contact Mr. Denmore.

Assistant: McLeod Cont. from 1

since 1958. When you've been doing something the past 16 years of your life and all of the sudden you don't do it anymore... of course you're gonna miss it!"
Co-op Provides Jobs
Laurie LaFerre

Northville High School now has three co-op classes to help students with job placement. The classes are retailing, office practice, and now this year is a trade and industrial class.

Co-op is for 11th and 12th grade students. It can provide experience for students in their fields of interest, earn them credits necessary for high school graduation, and provide extra money for the job must be held through the end of the semester for a passing student. Requirements are a minimum of 15 work hours a week, the grade, and a related class must be taken.

New Principal
Laurie LaFerre

Our new principal also reminds students, planning, smoking, attendance and punctuality are common problems for all schools.

Counseling Comments
Janice Nyquist

No more pink counseling appointment slips! Northville High counselors have a new open counseling policy. Now students may visit a counselor any time, without an appointment. Feel free to visit them when you need them!

Meet New Counselor
It is our privilege to welcome to NHS, a new counselor, Mr. Sattare, to the counseling department. Previously, he has worked as a vocational rehabilitator and also has counseled. He will be replacing Mr. Temple.

Job Info
A Technical and Industrial Co-op program has been started at NHS. Jobs are available in the areas of auto mechanics, drafting, electronics, graphic arts and manufacturing.

Mark These Down!
Mrs. Forsythe, counseling department chairman, would like to remind students of several dates:

- October 19 - ACT testing at test centers.
- October 22 - PSAT/NMSQT test for Juniors.
- October 23 - Representative from Olivet College here, 11:00 p.m.
- November 2 - SAT test at test center.
- November 14 - Representative from Spring College here, 11:15 a.m.

Also, October 23 is "College Night" at Plymouth High School. Students are encouraged to go there and meet representatives from various colleges.

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Sue Evans

Due to the loss of many Seniors last year, the Girls' Basketball Team is rebuilding for the future. The team record is 1-2, winning in a close, exciting game against Waterford Mott 26 to 23. Captains Mary Ann Tweedie and Eve Williams have been consistent high scorers on the Minors Varsity Basketball Team. Other players include Kathy Belkowski, Patty Brown, Louis Hopping, Debbie Korte, Denise Mac- movement-no."

Girls' Football League?
Kathy Jones

The Women's Liberation Movement has been gaining more backing in recent years. Do you believe that this movement could ever evolve into a Girls' Football League at NIS? Here are some opinions on this.

Mr. Spear (Admin.) "If girls' football league possibly but because of the Women's Lib.

never do it." Scott Spear (11) "If girls want a league, why not, but what does Women's Lib have to do with it?"

Erie Egeland (11) "It would be O.K., as long as we could have boy cheerleaders!"

Jenni Miller (11) "If the girls could get a team together, why not?"

WILCOX TEACHER PROFILE

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I was pleasantly surprised by the courtesy shown by the students here," she replies. "Mrs. Wilcox is enthusiastic about being the new Palladium sponsor. She’s happy with the response from the students, and would like to get even more kids involved to turn out a "really good book that everyone can be proud of."

Her other interests include sewing, crafts, tennis, and, she says, "I'm an avid eater. I'm really not that good, but I love doing it!"

There you have it. Mrs. Wilcox, the new English teacher. In her own words: "I believe in being spontaneous—just letting it happen."

BOOMING BACKHAND—Becky Alvus warms up in practice session
Young Golfers Show Ability

Even though this year’s golf team presents a youthful image, they have proven themselves winners.

With no seniors on the team, junior’s Jim Dales and Greg Mack have been the workhorses for the Mustang attack, with sophomore Chip Chamberlain as the number three man. Other team members have alternated in the last three positions including a couple of outstanding freshmen, Steve Rettig and Scott McMillan.

The Mustangs have one meet left when they meet Plymouth Salem at Meadowbrook.

Mustangs A Dark Horse

Harriers Eye League Meet

“This has been a great season for a group of young, hard working, determined runners,” reported harrier coach, Ralph Redmond.

Supposedly it was a rebuilding year for the Mustang runners, but after having ten meets under their belts, (or sweatpants) they sport a 9-1 record.

The Western Six league meet should provide a real challenge for the young harriers. Walled Lake Western and Livonia Churchill are both favored, but the Mustangs, along with Waterford Mott have an outside chance.

Outstanding performers for this year’s team include; Bob Gould, Robbie Foust, Don Wilber, Ben Georgoff, Dan Earhart, John Goram, and Tim Worley.

Face Mustangs Friday

Multiply

Mustangs didn’t allow a single score in their first two games. The defensive backfield has been its prime area. Early in the season half back Scott Leu picked off three passes to save a 14 to zero victory over Clarenceville. Athletic Director, Mr. Kucher, sums up the defense when he says, “it is very aggressive.”

The offense, led by quarterback Eric Lampella and running back Doug Crisman, has shown signs of power. Northville for the most part has kept the ball on the ground. Tom Marzoni had shown some fine running and passing ability before he was injured in the Harrison game. He had scored the only touchdown in a 7-0 victory over Novi.

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