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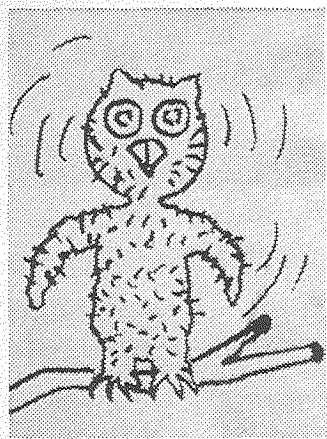
Neshaminy's Activities Will Keep Even The Turkey Jumping Tomorrow, "Thanksgiving Day"

Gridders Hope to Dish-up Owls on T-Day

Tomorrow is the traditional setting for the Neshaminy-Bensalem Game. Bensalem comes to our field at 10:30 a.m. to try for the upset of the year. They are coming here spoiling for an upset for two reasons. One is, the Owls have not won a league game all season, and they have decided it is about time to do so. Reason number two is that this is the traditional game and the Owls are out to get revenge for the last four years. The series record so far is held by N.H.S. who has compiled a 15-11-2 skein against Bensalem. Bensalem's biggest disgrace was in 1953 when they suffered a 53-6 beating by our Redskins.

Neshaminy will be out to ruin the dreams of the Bensalemites, and it is the general opinion that N. H. S. will give Bensalem nightmares. Players like Al Gaskill, John Kurtz, Rich Simons in the backfield, and Tom Nuss, Jerry Mohn, Herb Cummings and Pete Blodgett will do their best to give the Owls nightmares (or is it daymares?).

Pluck the Owls



We're All in the Game

We don't have to be athletes to be good sports and fair competitors... A good time to show our sportsmanship will be right after the Thanksgiving Day game—As we leave the field... Let's take time to obey all traffic rules... And to be courteous to other drivers and pedestrians along the way...



Senior Play A Success

Newest Club, Future Nurses Fete Children

On Thanksgiving Eve, a bake sale will be held in Feasterville and Penndel at Luken's and Browns. The Nurses Club is asking you to go out and support it if you can since it is supported by an organization with a worthy cause. The group is Neshaminy's own Nurse's Club; its immediate aim is to raise money to sponsor a Christmas party for children who must spend the holidays in hospital beds.

The Nurse's Club has another cause; this one is to be realized in the future since it is a rather large project. The girls want to start a scholarship fund for a deserving senior who is going on to nursing school.

This brings us to the main purpose of the organization itself. It may seem pretty obvious, but do you actually know what the Nurse's Club is about? This group consists of 35 senior high girls who meet bi-monthly. They are all girls who hope to go into nursing as a profession.

The Nurse's Club is headed by Kathy Warner, President; Lucy Cogossi, Vice President; and Treasurer, Penny Sweet.

All girls who are interested in some phase of nursing should contact one of the officers; you are invited to come to the meetings.

Four Singers Earn Places in District

Four Neshaminy singers were chosen through try-outs to participate in the District Chorus Concert. More than 600 area students auditioned at Plymouth-Whitemarsh on November 3, and 180 were selected. Nancy VanSant ranked fourteenth in the second soprano section, Margaret Hershey ranked fifteenth in the second soprano section, Bob Kohler, ranked eighth out of 80 boys in the first bass section, and Nancy Paul, out of 125 first sopranos, placed

And in the Evening A Victory Dance

Neshaminy's athletic achievements in the current season will be celebrated by the annual Thanksgiving night "Victory Dance" in the high school gym.

Sponsored by the senior high cheerleaders, it will be a strictly dress-up affair. Along with the lavish decorations and refreshments, there will be dancing from 8-11 to the tunes of the Imperials.

This year's cheerleaders seem to think it will be the best ever. But they leave one reminder not to tear the decorations down after the dance, especially the pictures of the players and cheerleaders. So let's all turn out and support our championship team.

The committees are as following: Dance Chairmen; Ginny Maurizi, Peggy Flanigan; Programs, Peggy Flanigan; Decorations, Ginny Maurizi, Gail Paxson, Nancy Banziger; Publicity, Sue Dunlap, Judy Morash; Tickets, Carolyn Wagner and Sandy Ridnour.

eighth.

The concert will be presented on April 16, 17, 18 at Delhaas High School and will be directed by Mr. Wallace Heaton of Drexel.

They Saw a Job to be Done; Student Life Committee "On its Own"

Many times in the last week we have heard "What is the Student Life Committee?" All the students of the high school have heard of the committee and have wondered just what it's all about.

The Student Life Committee is composed of representatives of all classes led by five capable seniors. They are interested in dealing directly with the social and moral life of the high school. The majority of the committee was picked only after careful counciling with both teachers and other students.

The practical work of the organization is split into five major fields. They are acclimating students; keeping in contact with those who are sick or have had a death in the family; inter-faith Bible study one day after school; open seminars on many different subjects with an occasional guest speaker addressing the group; daily Bible readings over the loud speaker.

The group which reads the Bible over the loud speaker in the morning is headed by Joy Stewart. Thus far, she has allowed any volunteers read it; those who read the Bible are not restricted to mem-

bers of the committee. Judy Kurson works with Mrs. Carlson and tries to work out the problems that new students may have during their first days of school.

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Hic, Hoc, Hound Dog

In an endeavor to correlate the classic and the contemporary, we submit this Latin version of "Hound Dog" to our intellectual reader.

You may not recognize it, but we'll bet it's the only one in the world!

"CANIS TURPIS"

A. Leonardo Footlando

- I Nihil sed canis turpis tu es, semper lacrimans,
Nihil sed canis turpis tu es, semper lacrimans,
Leporem numquam cepisti, amica mea non es.
II Te altam esse dixere, sed erat non verum,
Te altam esse dixere, sed erat non verum,
Leporem numquam cepisti, amica mea non es.

The following was written by a student at Hatboro H. S. We feel that the message is worth sharing with our students, who we hope will contribute material of equal literary worth.

"Babel"

A black man, a white man, and a yellow man came to one place from the corners of the earth to hold council. These men, the greatest of their respective races, met on a prairie, by a mountain, near the sea. The black man said, "We have argued and fought among ourselves for as long as there have been weapons to kill with. Before, we fought with our hands.

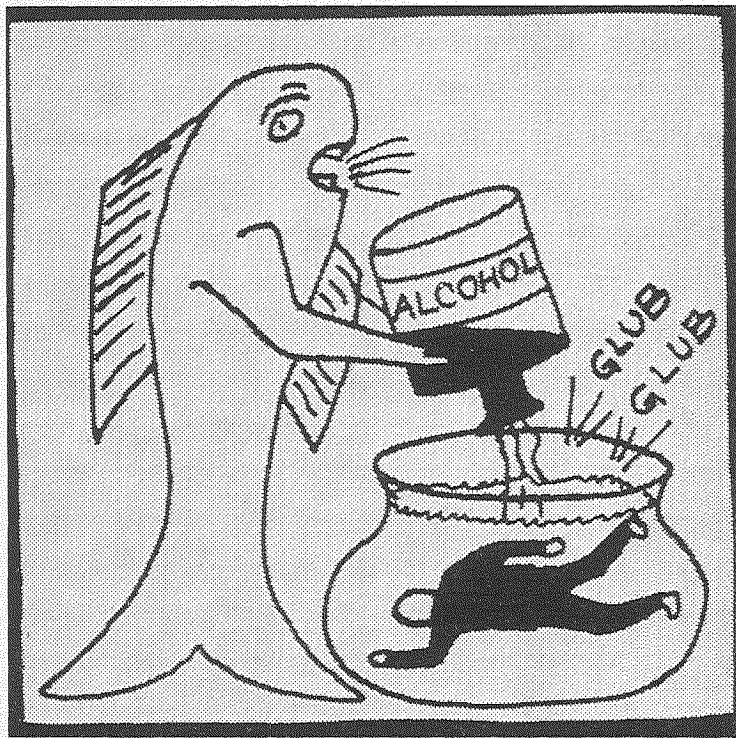
The white man said, "My people have hated your people and yours have hated mine."

They said, a white man, a black man, and a yellow man, meeting on a prairie, by a mountain, near the sea, "Let us make peace and send our people here to build a monument to Man."

They went home and dispatched their people to the chosen place. White men, black men, yellow men, came to one place from the corners of the earth to build a monument to the greatness of men who could make peace among themselves. They laid the foundation and made bricks and steel beams. After the first course of bricks was laid, three men, a black man, a white man, and a yellow man, carried a beam to its place and the wind blew it from their grasp and the beam fell, killing three men, black, white, yellow. The families of the dead men cried out for an investigation, and work stopped for a day while their leaders decided which man should be punished.

They never decided. The black peoples said, "It wasn't a black man." The white peoples and the yellow peoples said the same thing. And so, unable to agree, hindered by centuries of prejudice and hate, they fought, and the black men, the white men, and the yellow men left the place on a prairie, by a mountain, near the sea, where stood the uncompleted monument built to the greatness of Man.

Health Class Turn-About



Okay Mr. Troxell, How Do YOU Like It?

Chips from the news log

Looking Us Over

On Nov. the 10th, Neshaminy was host to nine graduate students of Columbia University. These young men and women are studying for their doctor's degrees in education. Their purpose in coming was to see how a good secondary school operates and how curriculum problems are dealt with and solved by the administration and faculty. They enjoyed watching the students work together and felt that the time spent at NHS was enlightening.

Jeff Gangel as Sportscaster

Official newscaster for Neshaminy's Playwickian, Jeff Gangel of our sports department, telecasts Neshaminy sports news every Wednesday evening over WBCB, Levittown. Appearing at 6:10 on the Fred Finger Show, Jeff gives a capsule account of the latest Neshaminy victories and a preview of good things to come. So come on everyone, on Wednesday nights it's Jeff Gangel and the top sports events at 1490 on your dial.

At Sea

Walt Williams, former Neshaminyite, is now a seaman apprentice serving with the U. S. Coast Guard. He has just completed basic training at Cape May, New Jersey and will receive advanced training in seamanship aboard the U. S. Coast Guard cutter UNIMAR. After completing six month's active duty, he will return to his home reserve training unit.

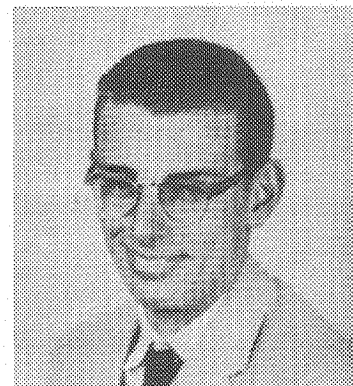
SPOTLIGHTING THE SENIORS



Bev Covington

Beverly Covington, active member and past president of the Tri-Hi-Y, native of Langhorne, and one of Neshaminy's best-known students, says she enjoys her hobbies of dancing, softball, and participating in church work.

Ice cream heads her list of favorite foods. She likes all teachers, and names bookkeeping as her favorite subject. After leaving school, which she says she enjoys very much, Beverly plans to go into the Women's Armed Forces. Good luck to a really fine member of our Senior Class!



Steve Rice

Steve Rice, busy sports spotter for Neshaminy's championship team, is a native of Pennsylvania, and has lived in Langhorne Manor for most of his seventeen years. Steve, who was Junior Class president last year, says he enjoys all sports, all teachers, and all food. (Not hard to please!) He plans to go to Drexel Institute of Technology next fall and become an engineer.

Steve has an interesting hobby; he collects fish. (No, the kind you look at, not eat.) He has owned as many as 500 tropical fish at one time and has had more than twenty different varieties of the same. Steve thinks that "This is the greatest school around and also one of the best."

Dec. 3, 4, Fall Awards
Dec. 10, 11—David
Garden Northern Adventure
Dec. 17, 18—Christmas Program

You'll Be Armchair Woodsmen Soon

"Northern Adventure", an assembly program to be given December 10 and 11 by David Garden, trapper and naturalist of northern Ontario, is an exciting story of a canoe trip made on the Ogoki River in north-western Ontario. In this film of rugged outdoor adventure, wildlife thrills, Indians, fishing, snaring pike and catching huge sturgeon by the tail are just a few of the highlights of this exciting picture. Don't miss it!

Soccermen Bested by Hill-and-Dalers Scamper to Second in League; Beat Powerful Pennridge

Neshaminy's soccer team earned a six win—four loss—four tie slate to place in a tie with Palisades for third place in the league's first season. First place winner, North Penn with a 14-0 record, and second place New Hope are both soccer established schools, while Neshaminy is in only its second year. Incidentally, the locals beat or tied every competitor except steam-rolling North Penn, and their tally of 29 total points against their opponents' 20 is impressive.

Outstanding Players

Coaches Howard Troxell and John Smithgall acclaim that the season was "very successful" and commented on the good all-around leadership of co-captains Doug Czarnecki, left halfback, and Jerry Buttrey, right fullback. Barry Egan was high scorer with eight points. Sharp offensive playing was exhibited by Bucky Egan, Tom Daubert, Ralph Civale, Ronnie Olesch, Bob Light and Mike Karr. Heads-up defensive playing was sparked by Danny Hayes, Helmut Glaeser, Ernie Di-Angelis, Richard Stroh and Loyd Bezar. Varsity subs Harry Barber, Fred Kleinschmidt, Al Hill and Steve West added effective depth to the squad.

And for Next Year

Graduation will deplete the ranks by eight; but Light, Hayes, Glaeser, Di-Angelis, Bezar, and West will still be in on the fun. J.V.'s Phil Calvert and John Potter look like good prospects to bolster next fall's varsity. Scoring sensation Bob Gruenwald, now a ninth grader, will be an important cog in the future machine.

How About You?

The coaches wish to remind the student body that a player's past record does not insure him of a starting berth. Any boy who thinks he has ability and would like to learn the game will be taught from the "ground up" and can have a fighting chance to participate in this rapidly growing sport.

On Tuesday, November 11 Neshaminy's hill-and-dalers beat heavily favored Pennridge of the Bux-Mont League with a score of 27-28. A Pennridge runner won, Wayne Luke (N) was second and George Lutz (N) was third. Len Footland, Dave Meade, and Jeff Gangel finished out Neshaminy's first five.

The Lower Bucks County Cross-Country Championships, held on Friday, November 14, was also a bit of a success for our harriers. They took second place in the league out of six teams and more than 100 runners in the county. Wayne Luke took third place for Neshaminy, George Lutz was ninth, Len Footland was 19th and Dave Meade filled out our first five with 20th place. Jim Robertson took second place in the J. V. race leading our J. V. team to second place in the league.

The Picture for Next Year

This year has been a big one for the cross-country squad, but next year may be better. There will only be three seniors leaving the team this year: George Lutz, Roland Judson, and Jeff Gangel.

Up-and-coming juniors on the squad are: Wayne Luke, Derial Sanders, Dave Meade, Jim Robertson, Dave Reale, Jack Allen, Jim Voight, Jerry Gangwer, Bill Haneman, Wilson Kistler, and Head Whalen.

Scrappy Sophs

Our Sophomores too,

have been giving our team a bit of depth. Len Footland, Frank Luke, Bunlie Yang and Mitch Sadler are expected to be quite an asset to the squad for the next two years. Most of the boys will be out for track this year running the 440, 880 or the 1 mile.

Contratulations to Mr. Hermanson and Mr. Prizer for their well done job in coaching the squad this year. They'll both be out in the spring helping the boys on the track and in the field, too.

Sports Scoops

Here are the final statistics of Neshaminy's feats on the gridiron, with the exception of the Thanksgiving Game with the Owls from Bensalem.

	N.H.S.	Ave.	Opp.	Ave.
First downs	155	17	65	7
Yards rushing	2293	255	902	100
Passes attempted	98	11	118	14
Passes completed	43	4	40	4
Yards passing	612	68	559	62
Passes intercepted	11	1	7	1
Net yardage	2805	314	1620	168
Punts	29	3	40	5
Punting average	30.1	30.1	29.1	29.1
Fumbles recovered by	14	1	6	1
Penalties	367	40	241	27
Total points	207	23	64	7
Touchdowns scored	32	3	10	1
Extra points kicked	14	1	4	1
Kicking percentage	.437%	.437%	.400%	.400%
Yards per touchdown	87	87	162	162

Altogether, we have compiled a good record. There is only one exception to this statement. Our penalties average only seems to rise each game. This is not the way it should go. Our foes' averages have gone down considerably each game. They have gone from around the 35 yard mark, down to a 27 yards off mark each game. Ours has risen from a 29 yards off to a 40 plus yards off average per game.

Bowling Booms

There was a terrific turnout for Bowling Intramurals last week. There should be a lot of high averages in the crowd of mad keglers. The Bowl-

ing team will be selected from out of this league so let's all get on the ball and bowl at least a "300" game. This should give you a strong argument for admission to this team.

Some of the boys with the red hot pre-season averages took a big nose dive on the 17th of November. Boys with 140 and 150 averages ended up with scores of 90, 107, 110, etc. Yours truly, who owned a 163 average before that rueful day only bowled an 84. My high game was a 108. So, as you can see, there is no problem of the higher averages winning all the matches this year, because even the best have quite a few off-days.

Cross Country Squad



Bottom row l. to r.—Roland Judson (V.), George Lutz (V.), Jeff Gangel (V.); 2nd row l. to r.—Jack Allen (J. V.), Dave Reale (J. V.), Dave Meade (V.); 3rd row l. to r.—Jerry Gangwer (V.), Jim Voight (J. V.), Derial Sanders (V.); 4th row l. to r.—Eddy Spaeth (J. V.), Wilson Kistler (J. V.), Bill Haneman (J. V.); 5th row l. to r.—Wayne Luke (V.), Mitch Sadler (J. V.), Bunli Yang (J. V.); 6th row l. to r.—Len Footland (V.), Jim Robertson (V.), Frank Lune (V.).

Neshaminy Soccormen 1958



Top row, left to right: Danny Hayes, Steve West, Harry Barber, Lloyd Bezar, Ron Olesch, Tom Daubert, Helmut Glazer, Rich Stroh, Mike Karr, Al Hill, Ernest DiAngelis, Bob Mann; bottom row: Barry Egan, Bob Light, Doug Czarnecki, Jerry Buttry, Ralph Civale.

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Squaws Split Season

At the close of the '58 hockey season the Neshaminy Squaws are in sixth place. They have won four and lost four games with one game yet to be played.

The league opener was with Palisades. The gals battled for a 2-1 victory over the visitors. Penny Sweet scored both goals for Neshaminy. The J. V. won by a score of 2-0.

The next league game was on Tennent's field. Once again the squaws came through with a victory, 3-0. Hibbs and Rice were the varsity scorers. The J. V. matched the varsity score with Emma Lee's and Janet Doyle's goals.

Then, on October 8, the Council Rock team visited NHS. It was a thrilling battle with Council Rock ending up on top with a score of 2-1. The J. V. teams ended a 0-0 stalemate.

Bristol was the next game on the list. The varsity lassies pulled through with a score of 1-0. The J. V. fought for a 0-0 tie.

Bensalem was the next team the Neshaminy gals played. The varsity mastered them with a 1-0 victory. Again the J. V. tied with a score of 0-0.

In the next league game our girls were defeated by Pennsbury 5-3. The J. V. won 2-1.

The last game played was with New Hope. After a thrilling battle the varsity lost to the New Hope lassies. The J. V. battle ended a 1-0 victory for our squaws.

At the time of this writing there is one more league game to be played—Delhaas.

ACES Trip Gives Seniors Prospective on U.S. Economy

The ACES trip, (Americans for the Competitive Enterprise System) taken by the seniors on November 18, was as interesting as it was educational. This program was designed to show the students how our economic system works and its possible advantages and disadvantages in relation to other economic systems. Before the trip, each student was given a questionnaire in which he answered questions about big business and corporations. They were then ushered through some of the many plants and factories in this area, shown their workings and encouraged to ask questions about the factories and their relation to our economic system.

They Saw A Job

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Joan Feness is very interested in starting an inter-faith Bible study group which will meet after school one day a week.

Bob Kohler and Judy Bartoe intend to start a fifth program which will include bi-weekly seminars on varied subjects which are of interest to teenagers of today. There are a few guest speakers expected to come before the group. Everyone is invited.

This is the first time any group of this nature has been started without any faculty advisor or sponsor. The idea behind the Student Life Committee came from the students, and the enthusiasm of the students will determine the success of the program.