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neshaminy senior high school

playwickia

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Tonight's The Night!

Neshaminy Senior High School's 1970 Gym Night promises to outdo all others. Both Red and Blue captains and co-captains have had their teams in rigorous training for the showdown on March 13th and 14th.

Blue Team sophomores will appear as Panda Bears, in a dance routine to OBLADI, Oblada. The girls will wear black tights and shirts with white skirts and the boys will wear white shorts with black knee socks and shirts. Pandas of both sexes will be equipped with ears and makeup to complete the picture. The Red Team

Sophomores will be in the form of Leprechauns and do a jig to an old Irish melody. The attire of the Leprechauns will consist of green vests, white shirts, black hats and shoes for all, green skirts and tights for the girls, and green knickers with white knee socks for the boys.

Meanwhile, Red and Blue Team juniors will be busy on their own battlefield. As Russians, the Blue Team juniors plan to dance their way into the judges' hearts. Their costumes will consist of Russian hats, pants with sashes and boleros for the boys, and peasant

blouses with skirts and scarves for the girls. The Red Team juniors are taking a different approach. They will tango in as Spaniards to the music of Malaguena. In the traditional matador style, the boys will wear pants with white shirts and ties. Black hats will complete their outfit. The girls will carry roses and wear full skirts, frilly blouses and hats.

In keeping with an established tradition, seniors on both teams will utilize square dancing techniques in their exhibitions. Dressed as Dutch boys and girls, Seniors on the Blue team will dance to "Around the World." The girls will appear in Dutch hats, braids, blue skirts, white aprons and white tights. The boys will wear yellow vests and blue pants with white knee socks.

On the other side of the world, Red team Seniors will be Hawaiian natives. For the girls, Hawaiian shifts and leis are their means of achieving this effect. Their partners will wear flowered shirts and white cut-offs.

Cheerleaders on the Blue team and their male counter-parts will arise as genies to stimulate team spirit. The Red Team cheerleaders will appear as Swiss boys and girls and yodel their teammates.

The Color Guard will also contribute to the pageantry of Gym Nite with a precision drill.

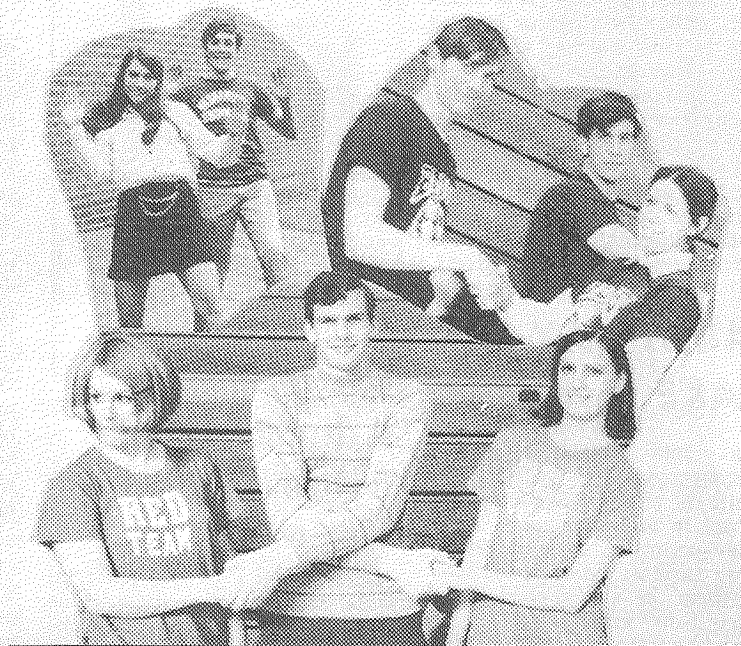
Tickets for Gym Night will be available at the door. "Around the World" promises to be an exciting competitive event not to be soon forgotten.

NHS BAND ENTERTAINS JUNIOR HIGHS

On February 18, 25, and 27, respectively, the Neshaminy Senior High School concert and jazz bands presented a series of concerts at Poquessing, Carl Sandburg, and Neshaminy junior high schools. These programs, designed to stimulate junior high school student interest in Neshaminy High School's instrumental music program, were directed primarily toward the ninth-grade band members, for whom the concert afforded an enjoyable demonstration of the versatility and general excellence of the Neshaminy bands.

After a brief introduction by Neshaminy School District Fine Arts Co-ordinator Mr. Henry Pearlburg, the concerts commenced with the Concert Band's renditions of various classical band compositions, including Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring (from Cantata 147), composed by Johann Sebastian Bach and arranged for band by Lucien Cailliet, Komm, Susser Tod (Come, Sweet Death), also by Bach and transcribed by Erik W. G. Leidzen. Other selections were Toccata for Band by Frank Erikson, and Second Suite for Military Band in F Major by Gustav Holst.

While the junior high students responded quite enthusiastically to the performance of the concert band, they literally went wild at the sound of Neshaminy's jazz band. The jazz band, also conducted by Mr. Anthony Biancosino, changed the atmosphere from one of silent appreciation to one of foot-tapping, finger-snapping participation. Though the con-



Neshaminy Hosts Jazz Band Competition

On April 10 at 7:00 p.m. our school will host the first annual A.J.A. Jazz Band Competition, a contest organized by the Neshaminy band director, Mr. Anthony Biancosino. Ten bands will participate, including Council Rock, Pennsbury, Abington, Bishop Egan, Neshaminy and others.

Each band will perform for twelve minutes and play three selections: one ballad (slow) number, a swing number, and one song of the director's choosing. For the director's choice number, our band will play "Susie", a song written and arranged by Mr. Biancosino.

The competition will be judged by four qualified musicians:

Johnny Mack, a former Jazz band teacher at Pennsbury; Dr. William Frabizion, song arranger for stars such as Della Reese; Dick Castitian, professor of music at the Philadelphia Musical Academy; and Evan Solot, who recently placed second in national jazz competition as a trumpet player.

While the judges tabulate the scores, the Philadelphia Musical Academy Jazz Band will perform as special guests.

Three trophies will be awarded for first, second and third places, and each participating band will receive a plaque.

After the competition the judges will meet with each band to discuss their performance's weak and strong points.

Tickets for the contest are \$1.50 and go on sale February 21. Since only 850 tickets are available, because of the size of the Neshaminy auditorium, they are expected to be sold within the week.

The members of the Neshaminy Jazz band are: trumpets - Jerry Spots, Dave Peluso, Rich Dreher, Randy Hartman, Fred Keefe, Ferd Reetz; trombones - Jack Bates, Jerry Ketterer, Bill Paupst, Mike Murphy; drums - Mark Barbus; saxophones - George Kingsley, Joe Rillo, Bill Hewins, Dennis Mitchell, Paul Howley, Ray Washam; bass guitars - Mike Meldru, Lee Bracegirdle; piano - Paul Hofreiter.



The recently elected sophomore officers are (l. to r.) Chris von Drach, president; Carol Erlebach, co-secretary; Nancy Talbott, co-treasurer; Elena Lustica co-vice president; Sara Rimer, co-treasurer, Joyce Ettinger, co-vice president; and Maryanne Kobelinski, co-secretary.

Neshaminy Hosts International Weekend

The Student Exchange Club sponsored the fifth International Weekend held at Neshaminy from February 19 until February 22. The school hosted twenty-six students from fifteen different countries. All of the continents were represented except Africa and Antarctica. Of the twenty-six students who were here, only two were sponsored in America by the American Field Service. All of the others are sponsored by the Rotary Club.

International Weekend began on Thursday with the arrival of the students early in the day. Some had to get up at four o'clock in the morning in order to arrive here on time. In the afternoon, the students visited the Courier Times office. Their visit was featured in the Saturday issue of the paper. The evening was passed at the NHS performance of the renowned George M.

Friday was passed in the school where the foreign students talked in the classrooms. In the evening, the students and their hosts attended a covered dish supper at the Langhorne United Methodist Church, and afterward, everyone went skating at the Roller Rama in Levittown.

The exchange students were housed by members of our own student body and members of the Student Exchange Club. These hosts were eligible to attend all

of the activities planned for the International Weekend. The foreign students passed Saturday afternoon with their hosts. Some went to New Hope, and others went to see the sights in Philadelphia.

A square dance was held for the foreign students and the entire student body on Saturday evening. On Sunday, after a long and exciting weekend, the students left for home.

The visiting students and their hosts learned much about each other throughout the course of the weekend. There was a warm and friendly atmosphere as many students met each other for the first time, and others renewed previous acquaintances. Sue Beckett, exchange weekend chairman, and Mr. Rowlands, the faculty advisor, feel that the weekend was a great success and are looking forward to the one that will be held next year.

Karen Simpson, president of the Exchange Club has announced that "Exchange" homes are needed for the coming year, either for the full year, September through June for the Rotary or American Field Service programs, or for eight weeks, under the Open Door program. Any interested Juniors or Sophomores should contact Mr. Rowlands in B-4 or Karen Simpson in A-14.



The rock group "Chicago" will entertain at a concert in Gym 3 on Friday, April 29.

SOUND OFF!

Opinions From Our Readers

Get More Elevator Keys!

Everyday I must use the elevator outside of the library. I have a leg injury. I have great difficulty getting the elevator key, as there is only one key in the library. This means that I must either find someone to take me up with the key, or else return the key immediately, which is almost always impossible. Couldn't extra keys be made? Then keys could be assigned out for the students' use, and much unnecessary confusion would end.
"The Crutch"

EARTH DAY - MAKE IT HAPPEN

The last issue of this newspaper was graced with Neshaminy's attempt to become an activist in an important national issue--pollution. In true Playwickia fashion, this attempt took the form of a "what-can-we-students-do" article.

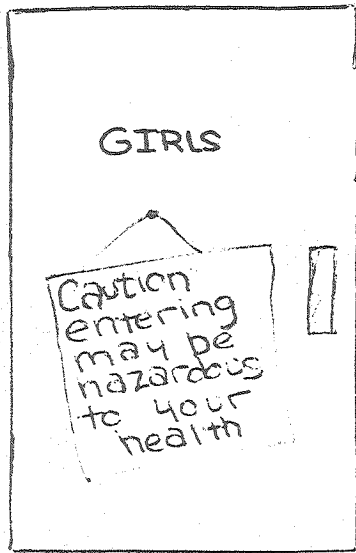
A photographer was dispatched to record the noxious fumes of a decrepit Ford in the student parking lot, the writer of the editorial said that pollution was a problem, and then went on to say that we should do something about it or something.

The Playwickia notwithstanding, pollution of our environment is a critical issue, one worthy of more than well-intentioned platitudes. Many eminent scientists have said that Man has left only twenty more years of life as we know it on Earth.

April 22 has been designated national Environment Teach-In Day. On that Wednesday, students in high schools and colleges all across the United States will hold seminars, listen to ecologists, and plan ways to make a pollution-free environment a reality. This project has been sanctioned by Congressmen and scientists and prominent educators. The idea of harnessing the enthusiasm of youth in the effort to reclaim our fruited plains and amber waves of grain holds great promise.

We are the people who will have to live in the world twenty years from now. It is up to us to make sure that the world will be one in which the air is fit to breathe and the water pure to drink.

Neshaminy as a school, as a community of concerned students, can further this goal. We can energetically participate in the Teach-In on April 22. Our teachers and principals will support us in this. We have only to let them know. E.A.



Adm. Should Allow Smoking Room

In reference to the editorial in the January 30th edition of the Playwickia on the smoking problem:

Yes, many students have walked into the school lavatories and have been surrounded by smoke. This situation could be changed if it were desired by the administration if they set up a specially designated smoking area. The administration's present actions towards the smoking problem are hypocritical-many teachers and administrators smoke in the teachers' lounge and then preach to the students not to smoke in the lavatories. The students have learned about the hazards of smoking and have made their decision whether or not to smoke. A student's smoking habits will not be stopped by a forbidding rule. In addition, the present suspension method of punishment does not seem to hinder students from smoking, as stated in your editorial. Therefore, the only way to clear the air is to give the students a designated smoking area.

A Concerned Tech Student

PLEDGE OF THE FUTURE TEACHERS OF AMERICA

The good teacher requires:

PHYSICAL VITALITY--

I will try to keep my body well and strong.

MENTAL VIGOR --

I will study daily to keep my mind active and alert.

MORAL DISCRIMINATION --

I will seek to know the right and to live by it.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Protection from institutional power

We are living today in a worldwide crisis of authority. Our institutions are being attacked from all quarters. The government, the church, the school, and the family are being challenged. They are being charged with authoritarianism, invoking blind submissions to their authority.

There are reactions to the authoritarianism. Citizens look for ways to protect themselves from their politicians; clergymen, from their bishops; students from their teachers and administrators; children from their parents. Today, more and more of those governed or lead are holding their directors accountable for their actions and decisions.

This crisis seems to have developed to the point that schools and colleges have become the central institutions of our society. They took on the role of The Great Selectors. Schools and colleges, as a result, are the most important factors in determining the winners and losers in the game called life. They determine who goes to war, who does not; who gets the best jobs, who does not.

Confronted with such overwhelming power, students and their parents are seeking protection from this power, through participating in the decision making of these institutions.

The new centrality of the educational institutions has, at the same time, created terrific pressures and demands on their employees--the teachers and administrators. Because of the new problems they must meet, they too desire protection.

As it's so often been said, man makes mistakes. Thus, the institutions he creates are not perfect. Further, man's fallibility prevents him from ever knowing if he has created a perfect institution. Rather than despair with this knowledge, he must strive now, and continue striving to improve his institutions--his school and colleges. Part of the improvement lies in devising ways of self-protection for all those who are affected by our institutions. Still, as fallible human beings, we must realize that the problem of authority and accountability will never be fully solved.

Harris Miller

The Student Council recently shelled out \$3.50 for a student council executive kit. Rumor has it that it contains a water pitcher, spare gavel, and monogrammed handkerchief for the President.

The Tri-Hi-Y's Gym Nyte dolls would sell a lot better if they had gray hair, did iron crosses, and came equipped with vodoo-type pins.

It's outrageous that each Senior has to pay \$3.50 to rent a cap and gown for a two-hour graduation exercise. Why doesn't the home-ec department whip up the gowns one year?

Ever wonder what happened to the Sweetheart's Ball last February 14th? It was called off that Saturday afternoon because of the bad weather. That was lucky--only thirty tickets were sold.

Students used to burn draft cards because they didn't see any meaning in the war. Now it's rumored that some will burn their National Honor Society membership cards.

Stand, And Be Recognized!

A great emphasis is placed on extra-curricular activities at Neshaminy, and the experiences gained through participation in these activities is both worthwhile and enjoyable. One of the rewarding aspects of participation is recognition by school and students for one's efforts. The wide-spread praise of some activities, such as football, basketball and the school musical, is not to be questioned. We are not deploring the wide-spread recognition of some activities, but instead we question the absolute lack of it of others.

It is an old and tired gripe that the sports teams get too much publicity. However, nothing represents a school to more people in this community than sports teams, such as basketball and football. The teams' recognition is well deserved, and nothing should be detracted from their status, along with the upholding of the Concert Choir, or any other of our widely-recognized activities. However, some attempt should and must be made to bring the recognition of sundry other activities up to somewhere near the level of these other activities.

It is general knowledge that there is a great deal of work that goes into a successful athletic season, a school play, or a musical concert, but there is also a great deal of pride and work that goes into preparing for a debate, producing a written work or competing in a chess tournament. Yet these and other organizations and activities go relatively unnoticed and totally unrecognized. The work of such organizations as the Future Teachers, the Philosophy Club, and Future Nurses also seems to pass unnoticed.

Great attempts are made by this school to publicize its athletics, which is good, but why can't the school make the same effort to recognize other less-acclaimed activities? Activities which receive the most recognition and publicity are mostly active for only three or four months a year, whereas the other activities which receive far less praise are in operation for far longer periods of time. For example, the Forensic Society meets and works almost all year long, and all the school's clubs are working from September to June.

Why must athletic activities be the only ones acclaimed at class meetings? It is hard to imagine that Neshaminy High School's motto is "Not for self, but for school" when apparently the only people enticed into giving of themselves must be able to sing well or shoot baskets.

In the beginning of each school year, especially the sophomore year, every student is urged to participate in activities. "Not everyone can be a star athlete", we are told, "Join the Forensic Society." It is a wonder that anyone ever participates in these activities for there is little recognition in them. As a result, the students involved in these less-acclaimed activities are those with dedication and sincere interest because what they personally get out of participating in these activities is far greater than any praise that they would otherwise receive. This, however, does not serve as an enticement to others to participate in these activities, which proper recognition could cure.

The main purpose of extracurricular activities is to foster interests in the students in subjects other than those required, but extracurricular activities will never serve this purpose until participation in them can be encouraged practically. Very few students will be encouraged to debate or to be in Mathletes if sports, music, and theater receive all the recognition and other so-called "unimportant" activities wither on the vine for lack of support. Let us remedy this situation before it becomes too late and student participation in activities becomes limited to a talented few.

FULL-DAY HUMANITIES ARTS FESTIVAL TO BE HELD

We are very pleased to announce that Neshaminy High School will have a full-day Humanities Arts Festival this year. The Festival will be held in early May for a week during humanities programs and on a full day during the week. This year the whole student body of N.H.S. will be able to witness the talent and interests of those students who are not represented by any other activity in Neshaminy.

It is hoped that minor regulations can be arranged that will let students enjoy the uniqueness of this festival to its utmost. Hopefully students will be

able to spend most of their day watching and participating in concerts and performances by fellow classmates. Mr. Schlicher, head of the Humanities department, would like to let the community also witness the creativeness of Neshaminy's students at a free night concert. This would be an excellent way to show tax-paying parents the endeavors of the Humanities program. It is through programs like the Arts Festival that Neshaminy is culturally enriched.

Students: your help is needed to make the Arts Festival a success. Any student volunteers will be appreciated.

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STICKY WICKET

A friend of ours mentioned that he liked the school's pizza. He must have had manners to have talked about such gruesome matters while we were eating, and he obviously has bad taste.

We hate to show our ignorance, but what does Tri-Hi-Y actually mean?

Ever wonder why the office was so desperately trying to locate the owner of that car described over the P.A. system during third period a few weeks ago? It turns out the owner won three free lunches for being the fifty-thousandth person to drive into the senior parking lot.

In the interest of public welfare, the administration should post signs outside the lavatories that say: "Caution' Entering may be hazardous to your health."

Fact: The school board has appropriated \$1500 to increase the candle power of the athletic stadium lights.

Fact: The school board has decided that many more football games will be held in the daytime.

Conclusion: Do we really have to say anything?

There's one thing we'll say for the Concert Choir stationary--you don't have to eat it.

It's about time to start thinking about senior pranks again, and we've come up with a whopper. If every Senior in the school would take out three library books and everyone agreed to return them all on the same day, the school would remember the class of '70 for a long time--for about the six months it would take to return all the books to the shelves.

WINDOWSILLIA

Sill Sitters Scrutenized

The sociologists and anthropologists who are researching human behavior are missing a great think if they don't visit the halls of Neshaminy. There are enough different varieties of humanity seated on the windowsills in the morning to make an anthropologist think that he'd died and gone to heaven. He would most likely classify the different species by the area of the windowsill in which they sit. It does not, however, require an anthropologist to do this, so let us now take a quickie tour of this phenomenon of windowsill polarization.

For the information of the uninitiated and the unobservant, there are five windowsills in the school, two in the Senior area, and three in the Sophomore section. The two in the Senior section are located in the A wing, near Office #1. The ones in the Sophomore section are in the A wing, near Gym #2, in the F wing, and in the unnamed hall opposite the Language Lab (whatever that is).

Now that everyone is familiar with the locations of these melting pots of humanity, we can proceed with our analysis.

Since there are only two gathering places in the Senior area, the mixing of groups is more common than in the Sophomore section. The first of these tribal stomping grounds is occupied by largely members of the Athleticus species. This species is known for its males' bulging muscles, sideburns, and converse sneakers. The female of the species is known for her attractiveness, popularity, and horrendous habit of giggling hysterically at any utterance by the male. The conversation of this group is generally limited to sports, girls, and so-and-so's ability on the foul line. A generally likeable, friendly species, they are considered one of the more highly-prized in this area.

Sharing this sill with the Athleticus are several of the species known as the Blackleatherus Rex. This is a species determined by the thick black leather outer hide of both the male and female, and a faint odor of tobacco. This too can be an agreeable species, if the researcher knows how to establish rapport with them and is able to speak their language.

The second sill is partially occupied by several members of a species, called are the Impudentus Snobbicus. This species known as hippies.

This species is known for its bell-bottomed blue jeans, profuse hair, cutesy graffiti, and mystifying language. The male of this species is barely distinguishable from the female because of the similarity in hair styles, clothing, shape, and voice. They spout sayings such as "groovy", "unreal", and "heavy", and post signs with such profound messages as

"Celebrate National Pomegranate Day". They are best left alone, for, when backed into a corner, they may become unpredictably dangerous.

In the solhomore area the A wing windowsill is another gathering place for the Impudentus Snobbicus, but they are of a younger, inferior variety. They sit on their thrones as if they are the oracles of the A wing, but are snubbed by their supposed older contemporaries. They domeday will grow up to fill the shoes (or sandals) of their ideals, but for the moment are but a poor imitation.

The F wing windowsill is the hangout for a species known as Averagus Studentus. This species is not very well know, due to its lack of distinguishing characteristics. This species is probably the best off of any of them but have not yet discovered it, and so look yearningly at the others, wishing for such a distinguished character as they possess.

The final stop in our tour will be made at the campfire of the inhabitants of the LA 1 and 2 windowsill. This tribe is made up of two species, the Amourus Duos, and the RAHus-RAHus Serbius. The first of these species congregates in sexually integrated couples, and are best known for their star-struck eyes,

sweaty palms, and expressions resembling that of a poleaxed cow. Their affinity for this isolated spot is surpassed only by their affinity for each other.

The RAHus-RAHus Serbius is best known for the swaggering bravado of the male, and the demure conspicuousness of the female. They are also known for their plumage, which may consist of skin-tight bell-bottomed slacks on both the male and female, unbuttoned shirts, tap shoes, and various parts of costumes for whichever stage production is going on at the time. Another characteristic of this group is their seeming lack of need to attend classes other than Concert Choir. Their conversation centers mainly on the stage and on each others romantic pursuits. Frequent high-pitched giggling from both sexes is a sure sign of a gathering of this group.

With the discovery of these heretofore unknown cultural areas, come many educational possibilities. Humanities tours through the areas can be arranged, a new topic for term papers can be utilized, and the Junior class can stage a Gym #3 sit-in to force the school board to put in pre-fab windowsills opposite that weathered bastion of culture and poor acoustics, G-9A.

Movie Discount Offered

The Russians are coming? It's a possibility, according to Diane Wuchte, chairman of the committee working on movies after school. The movies suggested to be shown are "The Russians Are Coming" and "I Love You, Alice B. Toklas". They will be shown in 69-A at an announced date. The continuation of the practice of showing movies after school will depend on student participation.

Student discount cards for local movie theater are now available

Jr. history Classes see

'Molly Maguires'

Several junior history classes had the opportunity to see "The Molly Maguires" on Thursday afternoon, March 5th. Leaving Neshaminy High School at 1:30 by bus, they went to the Fox Theater in Levittown and were brought back to Neshaminy in time for the 4:15 bus.

"The Molly Maguires" made a hit with the juniors, said Debby Evans. "Besides being an enjoyable film, it taught us about an exciting period of history."

Mr. Lindner's junior history classes will tour New York City on Monday, March 23rd. Among the activities planned for the day, will be a tour of the U.N. Building and the opportunity to see the Statue of Liberty.

in the school store. For only fifty cents a card, one can obtain a seventy-five cent discount at the Eric Fairless Hills, the Eric Penn Jersey, and also at the Leo, the Colonial, and the Premier the Colonial, and the Premiere Theaters. These cards are not good on Saturdays or for special performances.

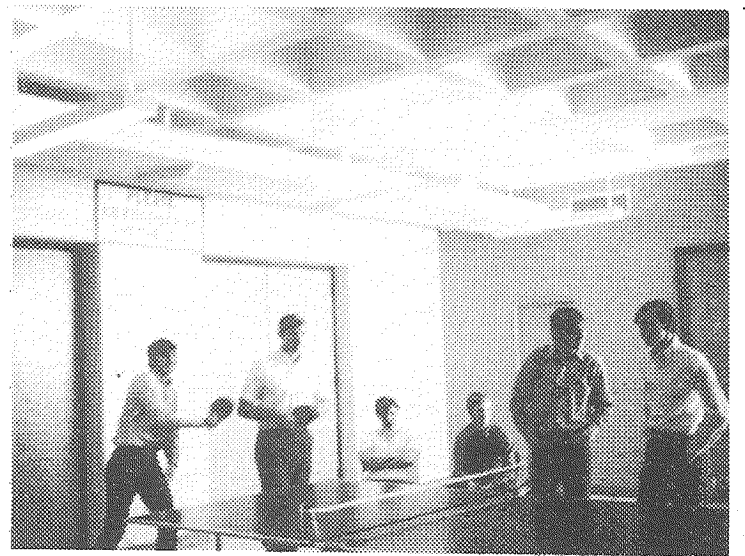
Foehl Chosen Homemaker

Meet Elaine Foehl, Neshaminy High School's "Future Home-maker of America". Elaine, who plans to major in home economics in college, placed first among the many contestants from Neshaminy taking the homemaker test. The test, sponsored by Betty Crocker, included questions from various areas, ranging from home management to government and conservation. As the winner from Neshaminy, Elaine is now eligible to compete at the state level. The state winner will be awarded \$100 and will travel to Washington D.C. to attend a 4 day convention.

"Good morning. Neshaminy High School is once again in session and here are this morning's announcements. In sports action last night, the girls lacrosse team defeated Upper Way-outinthestickville by a score of 2 to nothing. The goal for Neshaminy was scored by Gertrude Czyklytwz, pardon me, I am informed that the name should be Gertrude Czyklytwzski. This win puts the girls in second place with a record of one win, one loss, and seven ties, just two games behind league-leading Melvinsburg Township High.

There will be a meeting of the Future Chiropractors Association today after school in Cafeteria number 2. Both members must attend if they wish to have their pictures taken for the year-book.

Can't think of anything to do this Saturday night? Come to the fun-filled Junior dance in Cafeteria number 3. Admission is only 50¢. Show that you care about your class by attending. The dance will be called off if fifteen tickets have not been sold by this Friday. Get yours today in Office number 3. Senior study halls



Senior boys paddle a round of ping-pong in the Commons Room.

Commons (ping) Room (pong) Opens (ping) ...

The fairy godmother of Neshaminy High School has finally granted the Seniors their biggest wish - a Commons Room. Well, it's not really a ROOM, it could better be described as a hall. The make-shift commons room is the hall area downstairs in front of Gym 3, and seems to provide a very practical place for the Senior Commons.

The Senior Commons Room is fully equipped with two ping-pong tables, two Lance machines, trash cans, a juke box, and a large variety of folding chairs which are constantly being dragged from one place to another. There is a perpetual click of ping-pong balls, as a few play any many look on and offer their comments. In the background is the air of all the latest and best records playing on the juke box. Although no one dances, there is much foot tapping to go along with the songs.

Students sit on the chairs and floors while they do homework, read magazines, or just talk and socialize. They offer many comments about the new Commons Room. "It's good, but we need a soda machine" says Ken McDowell. Dennis Smith says, "We need more ping-pong tables and a couch." Steve Hyman nods his head in agreement. "I think we should have a pool table," offers George Valdez. Some complain of the samll variety of magazines. Della Detweiler likes the fact that you can listen to music while you work. Luke Jones has no complaints at all. "It's

a nice place," he says.

The Seniors can go to the Commons Room whenever they have a study-hall. They must get there before the bell rings, and cannot leave until the end of the periods. "You don't have enough time to get here," complains Betty Snyder, but the Seniors seem to feel that it is worth racing down the hall to get in. As Randy VanSickle says, "It's more relaxing than studyhall." The teachers find that they have no complaints, as long as the students arrive on time. They seem to think that the Commons is worth while.

The Commons Room must be put away at the end of each day. About five minutes before the end of the day, the students begin to fold up all the chairs and pile them by the wall. This is a very efficient process, unless the chairs are piled too high an avalanche all over the floor. In a few minutes however, all is picked up again.

Friday, last period, no one is allowed down to the Commons Room, because that is the time for the final clearing before the weekend. Although this "pack-up" is one of the disadvantages of the new location of the Commons Room, the Seniors don't seem to mind and enjoy gloating while the sophomores and juniors wait in anxious anticipation until it is their turn to be Seniors.

About age 16, most Boy Scouts become girl scouts.

Tune In Tomorrow

held in the Auditorium second through eleventh periods today will be held instead in the Library due to the Junior Humanities assembly to be held in the Auditorium. Sophomore World Cultures classes scheduled to be in the Library today are asked to report to the girls locker room in Gym number 3. Girls Physical Education classes who normally change in the locker room will do so in the upper level of the Library.

Students using magazines are required to report to the Wrestling Room. This change is for today only. Hopefully it can be carried out with a minimum of difficulty. The Library staff requests that the student or students who removed three sets of The Encyclopedia Britanica from the Library during seventh period yesterday please return them. Due to the large number of students desiring to use the commons room, in the future all seniors desiring admission to the commons room must have a note signed by both parents, three major subject teachers and their dentist.

A representative from the Boise State College of Science and Agriculture will visit the school tenth period today. Persons desiring to attend this conference should obtain a note from their guidance counselor. Student Council representatives should read the minutes of the previous meeting in their Social Studies classes today. One correction is to be noted; President Mike Flacco asked the representatives to take a different approach in looking at the school's problems, not an indifferent one as it is printed in the minutes. Girls intramural wrestling scheduled for after school today has been canceled.

Discount tickets for the Third National Livestock Breeding and Agricultural Science Festival may be obtained in the Co-circular Office. The event will take place in the Philadelphia Civic Center all of next week.

Will the owner of a 1961 Chevrolet parked in the Senior parking area, Pennsylvania license number 48J-743, please move your car? You are blocking traffic. Thank you."



"are you trying to tell me that A to K is on the BLUE team?"

Keglers Reign as King Pin of Lower Bucks

Do you know:

That Neshaminy's bowling team is in first place?

That they have won the league championship seven times out of the last ten years?

The Redskin bowling team is one of our most consistently winning athletic teams. Under the current leadership of Mr. Prizer, they have conquered almost every obstacle in their path. Not many students are aware of the tremendous achievements of the team. Over the past ten years, they have won over 350 games and this year's team, led by Vince Mazzantu, is continuing the trend.

As if it were common practice, our Redskin bowlers have captured their league title again. They ended regular seasonal play with a 3 to 1 win over William Tennent and a 4 to 0 win over Wilson for their thirty-fourth win of the season. The team only lost six games. This season's wins gave the bowling team

366 in twelve years.

With the title out of the way, the bowlers went into the league tournament. The tournament is strictly for individual honors. It turned out to be a perfect encore for a great season as Dave Slattery took first place followed by Vince Mazzanti and Fred Kohler in the second and third positions. Dave had a 616 series that was sparked by a dazzling 259 game. Vince, whose season's average of 199 led the team, rolled two games over two hundred enroute to a 601 series. Fred came up with a 565 series.

Mr. Prizer, the coach of the team, remarked that this was one of his better teams talent wise, but it suffered through some periods of inconsistency. He felt that the team could have won its matches with on anyone of won its matches with anyone of the top ten Neshaminy bowlers performing.

Ho, for the Life of a Wrestler

Since Neshaminy is not a school which patronizes wrestling in a big way very few of us realize the effort that our grapplers must put in in order to get in shape and stay in form for the rigors of wrestling. Just to watch the wrestling team at practice is enough to tire the observer and send him running for the nearest water fountain. Sitting in the 90-degree heat of the wrestling room during practice in enough to make you feel like Ronald Reagan stranded in Death Valley.

Perhaps one of the most rigorous feats performed by the wrestlers is bringing the bulky mats up the locker room stairs to the wrestling room. Watching twenty husky wrestlers struggle with the huge roll of polystyrene, trying to get around the coffin-corners of the stariway, makes you think that practice could be only an anticlimax. With a little help from Ass't Coach Levans, however, the chore is soon mastered and practice begins. The team customarily practices from 2:30 until 4:45, and, believe me, this two-and-a-quarter hours is made up on one minute of physical exertion after another, and leaves little time for loafing or resting. The boys start off with running in place, broken by dropping to the floor and jumping up to resume running, and punctuated by the encouragements and comments of head coach Robert Yavorski. This is followed by a series of 50 pushups, running-in-place, 50 situps, and more running-in-place. More "warming-up" exercises follow. The grunts of already-tiring wrestlers can be heard as they struggle through several minutes of back and front bridges. (For the uninitiated, bridging is supporting oneself on one's head and feet, and arching the back until new heights of pain are reached. It is quite similar to the effect achieved by the infamous Rack of the Spanish Inquisition.) After this, the grunts are even more audible as the wrestlers perform leg lifts, an exercise known as "The Rocker, where the unfortunate lies on his stomach, arches his back, and rocks forward and backward, and then finish off with another session of pushups.

The practice session then turns to drills designed to perfect wrestling skills. The first of these is known as "floating", an exercise wherein the wrestlers pair off and take their starting positions as "top" and "bottom" men. The bottom man then performs what is called a "sit-out", where he moves quickly

from his "down-on-all-fours" position to a sitting position. The top man must try to stay on top during all this, and the motion of his body riding that of the bottom man resembles floating, hence the name. This reporter was told by an informed source that the job of the top man is easier, but I have my doubts that I would want to be in either spot very long.

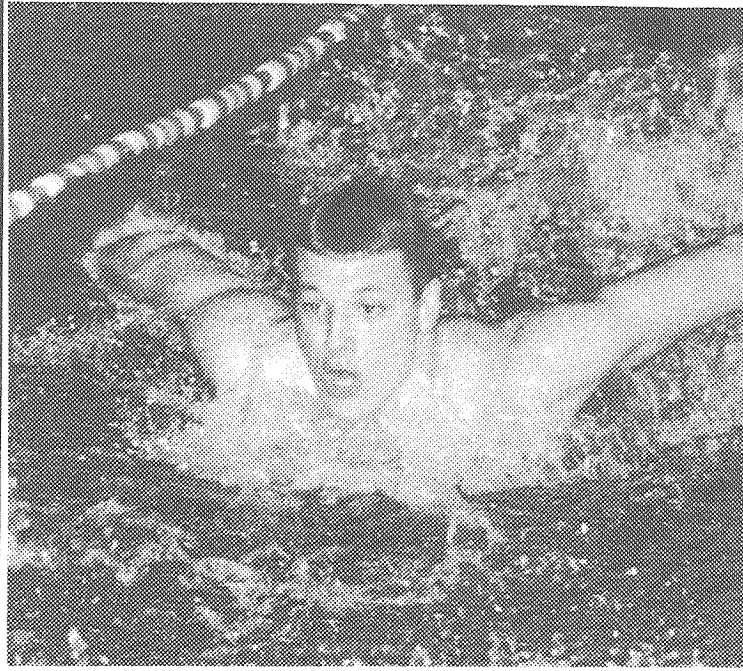
The grapplers then practice "takedowns", which are methods of bringing your opponent to the mat, and are worth points toward a decision. The rest of practice is then devoted to practice in actual wrestling, in order to learn the handling of a competitive situation. Fifteen minutes are then devoted to running, which helps any athlete to build endurance, wind, and staying power. Following this, the weary wrestlers head for their well-deserved shower and home.

The bright stars of this year's Varsity are Steve Dugan (11-1), Jay Sidman (), Dave Pyle (), Jeff Piscitelli (), and Bill Shaick (). Seniors Cliff Ousley and Phil Silas, and Juniors Dave Thier and Jeff Lutz round out the squad, along with Sophomore Tom Bradies. The Raslin' Redskins of coaches Robert Yavorski and Gerald Levans now possess a () record at this point, and boast of several candidates for state championships. And if you don't think it's tough, drop by some afternoon. I'm quite sure you'll change your mind.

The sectional wrestling championships were held at Cheltenham High School on Feb. 20-21. The varsity line-up for the Redskins was Tom Bradies, Mike Perko, Dave Thier, Jeff Lutz, Cliff Ousley, Steve DuGan, Andy Watson, Jay Sidman, Dave Pyle, Jeff Piscitelli, Bill Schaick, and Phil Silas. In the preliminaries the winners by decision were Mike Perko, Lutz, Watson, Sidman, and Pyle. (In the quarter finals.) Schaick pinned his man in 3:50 and DuGan immediately won as he was seeded first. Lutz won 4-1, DuGan pinned his man in 5:58, Sidman won by a fall in 4:35.

DuGan won the Semi-final round by pinning his opponent in 3:38. Lutz and Sidman were defeated in the semi-finals. During the final round DuGan won by decision 6-2. DuGan's record now stood at 18-1. The district wrestling championships were held at Neshaminy Feb. 28. DuGan was the only wrestler representing Neshaminy.

MR. TOMAHAWK



Len Redeyoff - Mr. Tomahawk Winter 1969-70.

The 1969-70 Winter Season Mr. Tomahawk Award goes to Len Redeyoff, one of the best swimmers in the state of Pennsylvania. On Saturday, March seventh, Lenny took a second place in the 200 yard freestyle and a third place in the 100 yard freestyle to cap his high school career. Lenny has been on the All-Area Team frequently during his high school career and this year is no exception: Lenny is looking forward to the future, when he will compete as one of the representatives of the Philadelphia Aquatic Club in the Mid-Atlantic AAU's.

We of the Playwickia Sports Staff wish Len the best of luck in the future. By the way if you happen to see Len on the gym floor tonight, he is one of the red color captains for Gym Night 1970.

Redskin Basketball Team Becomes League Spoilers

The 1969-70 basketball season has now officially ended. This season has been a fairly successful one for the Neshaminy Redskins, the 'Skins finishing with a 13-9 overall record and a 9-6 mark in Lower Bucks League action. The Redskins started out the season red-hot, winning three of their first four games, then slipping into sort of a mid-season slump, winning only six of their next thirteen games, only to come on strong again at the end of the season to take four of the last five games. In the course of the season the 'Skins posted wins over Bensalem, William Tennent, Council Rock, Pennsbury, Bristol, Jenkintown, Morrisville, New Hope-Solebury, Bishop Egan, Abington, and Pennridge, while losing to Woodrow Wilson, Bensalem, William Tennent, Council Rock, Lower Moreland, Bishop Egan, Abington, and Central Bucks East.

Seniors Frank Haynes, Larry Stoffa, and Ed Romanowski and Junior John Swartz starred for coach Charles Podlesny's Redskins this year. Frank Haynes led the team in nine categories, having attempted 406 shots, made 154 of them, attempted 99 foul shots, made 68, total points (376), average points per game (17), rebounds (265), rebounds per game (12), and steals (40). Frank has been named to the first team of both the "All-Section One" and "All-Area" squads. He shares his Section One berth with such star performers as Earl Williams and Max Moore of Woodrow Wilson, and Gary Nonemacher and Brian Hambleton of William Tennent. Larry Stoffa led the team in shooting percentage, making 64 of 161 for a 39.7 percentage, and came a close second in rebounding with 202, averaging 10 per game; and in steals, with 26. Junior John Swartz led the team in assists with 45, outdistancing Haynes, his nearest competitor in that department, by nearly 20. Swartz also sank 71 for 210 for a 33.8% finish and a 9.2 point per game point average.

Next year's team will depend mainly on the several juniors who have distinguished themselves on this year's varsity

and several up-and-coming sophomores. The probable varsity for 1970-71 will include John Swartz, Steve Ratcliffe, Rick Armour, Ken Neufeld, Chris Bahr, Sid Kirkpatrick, and Mark Behar, all Juniors, and Sophomores Rob Fromuth, Ray Washam, and Frank Tyrol. Departing Seniors who have spent three seasons bringing basketball greatness to Neshaminy and now head toward the greener pastures (courts?) of various colleges are Frank Haynes, Larry Stoffa, Bill Sandt, Ed Romanowski, Rich Warner, Tom Jacobs, and Steve Aronson. To these and all the members of the basketball squad, not to mention the coaches, Mr. Podleny, Mr. Heffelfinger, and Mr. Allison, the students of Neshaminy owe a great debt of thanks for their terrific efforts in representing Neshaminy in the manner to which it has been accustomed.

Meet the Coaches

Girls Tennis

Girls Varsity Tennis began practice on March 9. Acting as coach this year is Miss Hazel Pelletreau. Although this is her first time coaching girls tennis in High School, she has taught the sport before and played while she was in college.

This year's Tennis team will have a busy schedule to keep with thirteen matches beginning in April. Miss Pelletreau predicts many girls who played last year will be participating once again when the new season opens.

Golf

The golf team will be coached by Mr. Richard Chubb, who teaches Algebra, Trigonometry, and Electronics. He attended Kutztown State, the Capital Radio Engineering Institute, and graduated from Temple University. He has been coaching the Neshaminy Golf Team since 1959. The team has won the championships the last five years. Four veterans will return this year with an expected turnout of about thirty-five students. Since this is an individual sport some experience is necessary to make the team. Practice started March 2. The games start at 3:00 P.M. and the first one is on April 6.

Swimmers Whitewash League

The 1969-70 edition of Neshaminy's boys swimming team could be called the "senior-sophomore squad" or, in the words of Len Redeyoff, "the together team." Seniors, Bill Adolfsen, Dubby Byerly, Stan Cwiklinski, Tom Kircher, Mark Meginley, Len Redeyoff, and sophomores, Kevin Millerick, Bruce Turia, Gary Halberstadt, John Phillips, Joe Carney, Pete Graber, Tom Hicenbotham, and Togi Trabosh, paced the 'Skin splashers to a league title. Head Coaches, Mr. Burns and Mr. Gallagher, were the architects who "put it together" enroute to a 12-0 record.

The LBC Championships produced Len Redeyoff as a double victor. He won the 100 and 200 yard free-style events. Then in the Districts, Lenny took first place and second place respectively in the same two events. The 100 was a new meet record of 50.0 seconds. Arch-rival, Frank Lichtner of Council Rock edged out Len in the 200; both LBC swimmers are strong free-style threats in the upcoming state meet.

Also, the 400 yard freestyle relay of Adolfsen, Kircher, Millerick, and Cwiklinski placed fourth in the District Meet Kevin Millerick grabbed sixth spot in the 200 free-style. He along with the other four Neshaminy swimmers will compete in the State meet.

With the nucleus of the squad returning next year, including two outstanding freshmen, Bob Babecki and Dan Jaworski, another good season seems imminent. The only possible weakness may be in the butterfly; however the coaches will try to "put it together" once again towards another undefeated season in 1970-71.

Mattingley and Sroba Chosen

Neshaminy defensive lineman Mark Mattingley and offensive running back Steve Sroba have been selected to play in the annual Multiple Sclerosis Hope Chest benefit football game. The game, between city All-Stars and suburban All-Stars, has been a fund-raising fixture in the Delaware Valley for years. The city All-Stars will be coached by Bishop Egan coach Dick Bedesem and the suburban All-Stars will be coached by Phil Murion, of Ridley. The game will be played June 13 at Franklin Field. The team lineups, announced March 1, include Roger McFillin of St. Joe's Prep for the city, and Steve Joachim, Haverford's star quarter back for the suburban team.

Squaws End Season On Winning Note

The Neshaminy Girls basketball season came to a close with a 5-4 record. This ranks the team in fifth place in the Lower Bucks Girls Basketball League. The team's six top scorers for the season are: Dinny Osbourne with 140 points in nine games, Gail Goda with 50 points in nine games, Cindy Reiff who totaled up 34 points in seven games, Sandy Tsouprake with 27 points in eight games, Ellen McKay with 12 points in nine games and Henna Donahue with 10 points in seven games. Dinny, captain of the team, stands in third place among the league's top scorers.

The girls final game was on February 20 with a 42-32 win over the Woodrow Wilson girls. In an action packed game, Dinny Osbourne scored 22 points, Gail Goda scored 11 points, and Sandy Tsouprake scored 8 as the top scorers in the game.