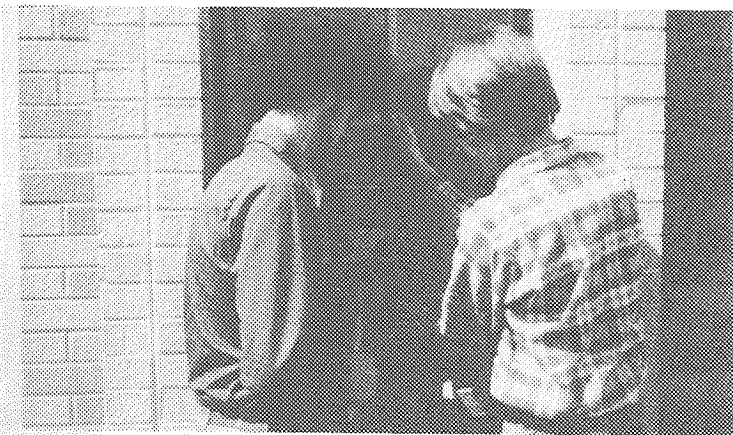


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Neshaminy Maple Point

April 1, 1976



Workmen installing window bars for new Point Prison

## Gym Night Academically Changed

Gym Night is an old established tradition at Neshaminy Langhorne, however; not so here at MP. Therefore, in order not to continue duplicating Langhorne's custom Maple Point has decided to institute next year the First Annual Academic Night.

All of the High Academic Students (HAST) will compete against each other in various thoughtectic feats. The elimination will continue until there is only one student left. He or she will immediately be awarded a trophy, a set of Encyclopedia

Britannica and have his other name inscribed in the National Honored Society Hall of Fame.

There will also be a few puzzle games for the Low Academic Students (LAST) to compete with.

The administration is very enthusiastic about this innovative idea, and has already set plans into motion to develop intriguing competitions.

Everyone interested should discuss the procedures with their English Teacher.

## Maple Point

### Ideal Prison For Bucks Area

When our school's appearance was paralleled to that of a prison's the remark was surely made in jest. Well it won't be long now until our lovely Maple Point will be Point Penitentiary complete with cells, bars, spotlights, and inmates.

After eight years of fumble and politics our school was finally built to relieve the student burden that was sure to come to Neshaminy. Well, the influx of would be suburbanites failed to materialize and our district's future now consists of empty classrooms. Our school board, not being afraid to admit a slight error in judgment, has decided to utilize their brand new high school in a more advantageous way. Ideas were

flying at the last school board meeting. A shopping mall, an extension of the overcrowded BCCC, a low income housing project, and a monument to foresight were some of the suggestions. Then the decaying Bucks County Prison in Doylestown was brought up. The building and its deplorable lack of security is a disgrace to our County. Overcrowding due to the growing crime rate-need it be asked if a quality education might curb this rise?- surely constitutes a need for a larger prison. How easily a few modifications could change this institute of learning into an institute of correction. The cells would line up ever so nicely along the corridors where the

classrooms now stand. The warden and guards would have a wonderful view of prison activities from their centrally located glass enclosed office. Everything a prison needs is available; a large open cafeteria, an auditorium, workshops, a library, large open gym, treeless surroundings, and a hill to sit on. The colors, plants, and openness are perfect for a rehabilitative atmosphere.

The county loves the idea, the school board is in ecstasy, and the taxpayers were never ones to get involved so the plan will go into action in 1979 to be ready for the first inmates by 1980.

So good-bye Neshaminy Maple Point, Hello Bucks County Pont Penn.

## Light-Hearted Gathering

On Friday April 10, the International Gay Liberation Club is having a meeting here at Maple Point.

Being a school of open minded individuals, we are allowing the organization to use the large group area from 3-5 pm. A short get-together tea will be held after the meeting. Petit fours and tea will be served.

For further information, including pamphlets and phone numbers, contact Mr. Fairy-O.



County Commission condemns Langhorne unsafe for human habitation

## MacDonalds Offers Lunch Treat

Attention Everyone! MacDonalds which is open for breakfast is now open for lunch to all Maple Point students.

Due to the large patronage of the restaurant in the last few weeks by Neshaminy students the management is offering 25 cents off on orders of \$1.50 or more.

In order that students will not have to rush quickly to and from MacDonalds the administration has agreed that all Maple Point students bearing a fast foods privilege pass will be permitted to leave the school for 45 minutes.

The pass will be revoked if the privilege is abused. No MacDonald's wrappers are to be brought into the building. The 45 minute lunch must also not be extended.

Proper handling of these privileges may encourage food service restaurants to allow student

NESHAMINY MAPLE POINT HIGH SCHOOL



MacDonald's  
Lunch Pass



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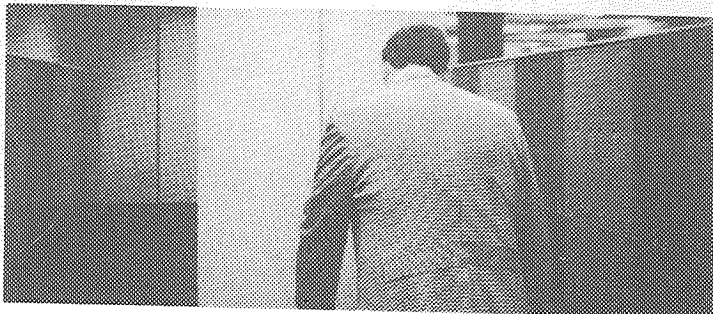
patronage during lunch time.

For those students who don't drive but wish to take advantage of the coupon offer, a bus will leave Maple Point at the beginning of 4th, 6th, and 8th lunch.

The bus driver has informed

our staff than no charge will be asked for the ride if each day she receives some token of the student's gratitude from MacDonalds.

Implementation of the new program will begin next week.



The other side of the administration

up on the detentions that they thrive on! They also had to think of Mr. Cannon. The lowered fee will first be a three month test, only! It will be in effect 6/16/76 and return to \$5.00 9/7/76.

If you have already purchased a \$5.00 permit, you may get your

\$4.75 returned. Just take your \$5.00 parking permit to the "National Parking Fee Co." in Malibu Beach California. There, the chairman of the company will return \$4.75 in cash, to you.

We hope everyone will be pleased.

## N. Langhorne Condemned by Commission

Neshaminy Langhorne will be officially condemned by the Bucks Commission of Public Safety if major repairs are not made on the school before April 15.

The ceiling stability of classrooms in G Hall is very weak. The heating and ventilation system in the A Hall science area is not functioning properly and is a danger to students' health and also interferes with scientific experiments.

The floor in the H Hall above the library will not support the weight of the classrooms much longer and is expected to crash into the library. A SAVE THE BOOKS project is currently being organized to remove all of the volumes that the library houses and transfer them to the spacious

and well constructed Maple Point Library.

Estimate cost for repairs totals over 1 million dollars. While repairs are being made suggestions have been made to bring the Cherry St. School back to life with Neshaminy students. The old Perma-Furniture store on Rt. #1 might also become a classroom area. Maple Point would not be able to accommodate more than 500 Langhorne students because its capacity is only 1800. (see architects blueprints)

News of this unusual turn of events has not yet been released to the community because of the enormous decisions that still must be made, but Maple Point wants Langhorne to know we wish you luck.

## Smoking Permission Granted

Smoking has finally arrived at Maple Point. The students of Maple Point have been striving for one goal -- smoking in school. On February 30, the board decided in a 0-8 vote for student smoking at Maple Point. Many school board members proposed that smoking contributes to a relaxed atmosphere in the classroom. Smoking in school gives a student more responsibility. He must remember to bring his own matches and the correct change to purchase cigarettes from the various vending machines which will be placed throughout the school building.

The new smoking policy will go into effect on April 1st; however, there will be some limitations.

1) There will be no smoking in the bathrooms or stairways.

2) Only those students with a 3.5 average or higher will be permitted to smoke during non-school hours.

3) Students will be allowed to smoke only those cigarettes which are approved by the Surgeon General.

This program was instituted with the cooperation of the National Cancer Society. Good luck to all of you who are adding nails to your cough-ins.

## Board Drops Parking Fee

The Maple Point school board has happily announced that the original \$5.00 parking fee will be lowered to 25 cents. They replied that the complaining of the students and faculty forced them to reconsider. Some complaints were the students claiming that all their detentions kept them from getting to their jobs and therefore, they could not earn the \$5.00 fee. The teachers felt pity on the students and decided to lower the fees instead of easing



# Big Brother's Watching

To curb the ever increasing amount of vandalism in our school, closed circuit cameras will be placed in strategic undisclosed areas around the building.

The monitoring sets of these different areas will be located by the administrative offices. The district voted the security measure in order to keep our multi-million dollar building in good

condition. Destructive vandalism seems to be a widespread epidemic at Maple Point.

The location of the cameras will be known only to high administrative officials. Students are warned not to step out of line because they are constantly being observed.

Remember Big M is watching YOU.



Tony LaBrasca — hard at work

## Mathlete of the Month

This issue, our Mathlete of the month is Tony LaBrasca, a real math wizard. During the past season, Tony has never failed to astound the fans with his mastery of sines and cosines. Tony is a master of the psychology of Mathematics, never passing up a chance to confuse his opponent with a sudden "calculating" look.

Tony's coach, Mr. Gibson, has been the driving force behind Tony's success. "In a match

when the pressure is on us", we can always look to Mr. Gibson for a reassuring "Whatever".

When asked about his mathematical talents and his hopes for the future, Tony replied, "Sine squared plus cosine squared equals three." We of the Point staff agree completely.

Congratulations are due Tony for his past performance in Mathematics. We wish him luck for the future.

## Pointless

SMILE, you're on my foot! DEAR LEEBIRD: THIS IS YOUR MOTHER. COME HOME, WE NEED YOU. SIGNED, FATHER. P.S. YOUR LITTLE BROTHER WROTE THIS.

A candid interview with Patty Hearst: "Miss Hearst, what do you think of Maple Point High School?" "I think that they should paint it green, and we could use it as an appetizer in our school lunches."

In my own opinion, I think students just aren't made the way they used to be. For one thing, not enough bolts are used to fasten the legs on the body. This creates an embarrassing effect, especially to our athletes. At every game or match, you can hear their legs squeaking from a mile away. Which leads me to another point; the "head" pieces are poorly connected to the neck. No wonder so many students keep losing their head.....

As we last saw our two heroes, Mary Hartman, Mary Hartman, Paul said to Michael, "What do you mean, 'I'm on fire?'" screamed David. David now knows that Jesse was cheating on him. So Jesse pulled the sword out of David's chest. And what about Marylou, who was selling her body? "Marylou, you've ripped me off! You're not a 1976 model (and you don't come with extras)..."

One final, important note: the world ends in five days. So why not take advantage of our special clearance sale?

## Python Pervades Point

Good news for Monty Python fans! In a recent disclosure, Mr. Franks announced that the hilarious British comedy group will perform at Maple Point as part of their American tour. Along with "Monty Python Live" a bonus attraction will be featured, Mr. Ron Obvious who will attempt amazing feats of skill and daring. The performance, sponsored by

the mathematics department, was arranged in exchange for seven political prisoners and six butchers' aprons. Tickets for the May 19 performance are available at the Cougar's Den for \$10.00 and \$12.50. There is a half price discount for anyone willing to try to split a freight train with his nose.

## Charging Champs

Maple Point has the distinction of having its first state champion team in only our first year of varsity competition. The Cougars also had the distinction of being Maple Point's first undefeated team.

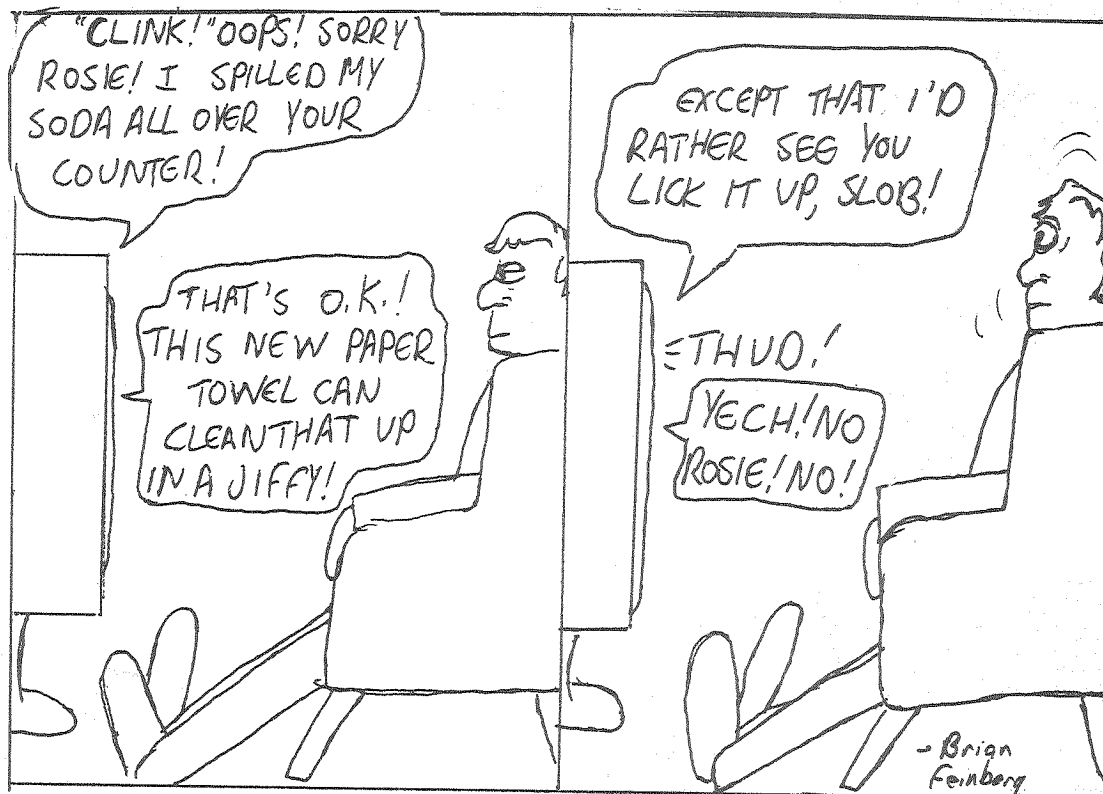
Under the guidance of coach Benny O'Drien, the Cougars surpassed great obstacles and became the highest scoring team in LBC history.

The first difficult game of the season was a tough fought win against Pennsbury with a score of 65 to 64. Their next game was against Neshaminy Langhorne. The game ended in a tie after regulation time and the Cougars finally defeated the Redskins in quadruple overtime by a score of 2 to 1.

The only other team which the Cougars had any problem with was last year's defending District champion, Bensalem. This lopsided game ended in a score of 14 to 7 in favor of the Cougars.

Tremendous effort was given by every team member all season

## Cartoonist's Brick



## Orangemen ...

The Republic of Northern Ireland has officially invited the Neshaminy Maple Point Band to come to the annual Orangemen's Parade and Band Competition in Belfast, Ireland on July 12, 1976.

This request came shortly after the Neshaminy Langhorne Band swept the competition at the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in Dublin. As you know there is a "bit-of-a-problem" going on between the Northern Irish and the southern Irish Republican Army.

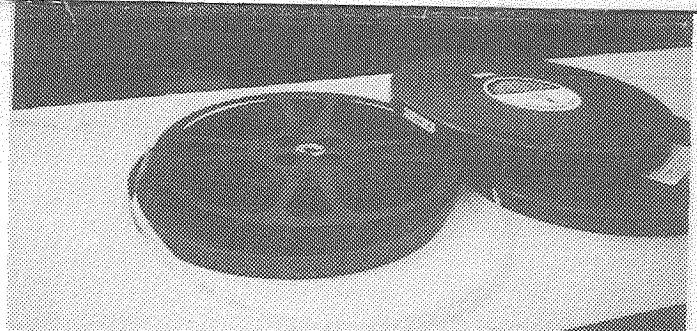
Therefore, it seems that this invitation might have been sent by the Northern Irish as a political move to insult the IRA. However, band director, William Bell, insists that his band will go "war or no war, even if the color guard have to have guns with live ammo; we'll go and we'll win too."

Therefore in order to raise funds to support this good-will band tour, the Cougar Band will immediately begin a candy sale. The band will be selling Boname Irish taffy at fifty cents per bar. Each bar will weight four ounces and measure six by two inches. The band will also be selling souvenir flags of Northern Ireland, and there will be a raffle of a basket of cheer, which includes ten bottles of Old Barfly Genuine Irish whiskey.

For their performance in Bel-

fast the band will be learning several special new songs, most of which will be military in nature to fit in with political atmosphere of this country. Also there will be a rewording of the old anti-war song, "Ban the Bomb" so that it will fit with the current IRA fad of bombing everything that moves and looks British.

Mr. Bell has also informed us that band members of Southern Irish ancestry will not have to make this tour if they do not wish to do so.



## Hapless Hard Core

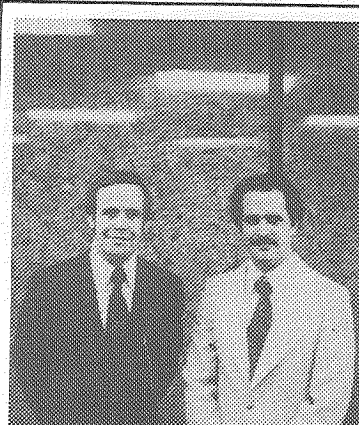
Recently many angered parents of students attending Maple Point H.S. have voiced their disapproval of "sex films" shown to students in health classes. It appears many parents feel that these films really aren't of any educational value. However, the teachers disagree because there always seems to be perfect attendance on film days. Another parental complaint stems from the rumor that one of the health instructors is an employee of an "Arts theatre."

When parents got wind of this they took immediate action, and went straight to the school board.

The parents complained that they should view the movies before they are shown to the students. The board agreed unanimously, but added the provision that the board be present at the movie showings.

Everything was set for the first previewing in room B100 on Thursday at 7:00, but it seems that the first five complaining parents had turned into 700 anxious parents.

The previewing will now be shown in the auditorium on Friday night at 9:00. One dollar admission will be charged. If this event is successful upcoming Health Ed films will be previewed every Friday night.



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TERM	MEANING
Mercy Sakes	Heavens to Betsy
Ten Thirty-Six	Five eighteen plus Five eighteen
Big Ben	Large Clock in England
Bear	Cop
Smokey	Cop
County Mountie	Local Cop
Bear in the air	Airborne Cop
Dad	Pop
Wet Broom	Mop
Italian	
Rabbit	A small long-eared burrowing creature of the Hare family
Harold	A small long-eared burrowing creature of the Johnson's family
Shut up	Be quiet
John Doe	Male deer