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Forensics Team Goes to State

by Ed Dusterhoft

Madison's forensics team will be sending 11 people to State competition on April 19. After State, the team will be trying to place in nationals for the first time.

On February 28, the team started on its way to State, with Sub-District competition. There they placed 20 people into the District meet held on March 15. Winning at Sub-District were Jeanne Kaminski in Four-minute, Kathy Haberman, Lena Watkins, and Keith Retzack in Oratory, Don Osten and Dave Helton in Extemporaneous Speech, Damon White in Public Address, Howard Denmark in Demonstration, Patricia Ellis, Judy Kressbach, and Helen Woyt in Poetry, Laura Lederman, Karol Spring, and Ed Dusterhoft in Prose, Mike Kane, Cheryl Noonan, and Valerie Mathews in Declamation, Melanie Lewis and Paul Ksicinski in Storytelling, and Darlynn Hoare and Cynthia Harcourt in Play Acting.

That Saturday, March 1, Madison hosted its own tournament, placing second out of 25 schools. Receiving individual trophies were Damon White in Public Address, and Lena Watkins and Kathy Haberman in Oratory. The following Saturday, March 2, we traveled to Marquette High School, where Howard Denmark, Kathy Haberman, and Lena



Forensics winners L. to R. Damon White, Kathy Haberman, Lena Watkins, Howard Denmark.

Photo by C. Ellingson

Watkins took trophies in Demonstration and Oratory.

On March 15, we took our 20 people to District at Cardinal Stritch College, 11 people received an "A", entitling them to go on to State. Those people are Jeanne Kaminski in Four-minute, Kathy Haberman and Keith Retzack in Oratory, Don Osten in Extemporaneous Speech, CONTINUED ON PAGE THREE

Four Student Teachers Come to Madison

by Beth Cychosz and Craig Heiting

Four student teachers are trying out their teaching skills at Madison this semester. They are Miss Linda Walker, Mr. Dennis Stuebner, Miss Mary St. John and Mr. David Bobke, all from UWM.

Mr. Dennis Stuebner

There is a new face around the band room. It is Mr. Dennis Stuebner. He teaches band and music appreciation.

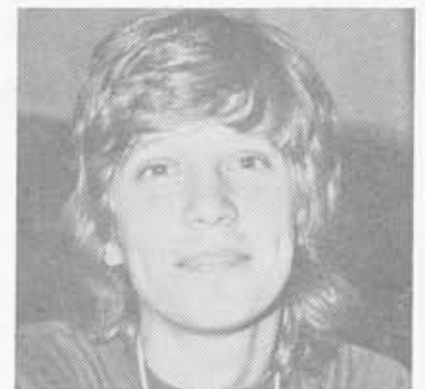
Mr. Stuebner went to UWM and this is his first semester of student teaching. He went to high school at Milwaukee Lutheran.

Mr. Stuebner plays clarinet with the Chicago Symphony. He also plays the saxophone and he enjoys listening to Beethoven and any classical music.

Miss Linda Walker

Perhaps you have seen Miss Linda Walker around the girls' gym. She is a student teacher who recently came to Madison.

She went to UWM and to UW-Oshkosh. Miss Walker went to Brown Deer High School. She hopes



Miss Linda Walker

to teach elementary or secondary school.

Miss Walker is interested in many sports, her favorite is tennis. She also likes Rock and Folk Music.

Miss Mary St. John

Miss Mary St. John helps out Mr. Bonfiglio, chorus instructor, in the mornings.

She majored in vocal choral education at UWM.

Miss St. John sings with three professional groups, the Wisconsin CONTINUED ON PAGE THREE

Five Madison Teams Participate In Juneau Math Track Meet

by Laura Hathaway

Forty students from Madison competed in a math meet at Juneau on March 12. The meet consisted of 37 teams from 18 schools, five of which were from Madison. The result of the meet was that the Madison Hyperbolics won first place with a score of 245 points out of a possible 300. Students on this team are: Jim Lund, Russell Witt, David Gerspach, Kathy Retzlaff, Trudy Bollman, Randy West, Steve Felde, and Marshall Schmitt.

Madison's other teams ranked also, with the Parabolics in sixth place, the Rationals in ninth place, the Irrationals in 16th place, and the Contrapositives as the top rank-

ing freshman-sophomore team with 145 points.

In the individual ranking Trudy Bollman received a third place plaque in the entire meet and second place among all 11th grade. Mark Davis and David Gerspach placed fourth among all 12th grade. Jim Lund placed fifth among all 12th grade. Ed Dusterhoft and Tim Ostermeyer placed fourth among all 11th grade and Mike Kane and Randy West placed fifth among all 11th grade.

Marshall Schmitt tied first among all 10th grade; Doug Lanska placed second among all 10th grade; Karen Adsit placed fourth among all 10th grade and Keith Schauer placed sixth among all 10th grade.

Editorial —

Student Involvement Needed

The GSA has been sharply criticized this year for not doing much. This isn't quite accurate, because the GSA has offered programs, and activities you wanted, but you, the students were too lazy to act on them.

Number one, the GSA was in desperate need of delegates this year, but did anyone volunteer—No! The GSA was then forced to beg for delegates, but did this bring any—No! So those of you who say they aren't represented and do nothing to become a delegate are not showing responsibility.

Number two, the GSA wanted to sponsor a talent show (which you wanted), and for this they asked for acts, but did they get any—well, yes—about 13. This would have been sufficient except for the fact that when the GSA held auditions only 4 acts bothered to show up.

Number three, seniors wanted a senior study hall to do what they wanted, and in fact Mr. Wolff approved of it—did you get it—No! The reason is because the seniors were evidently too lazy to supervise their own study-hall (which they wanted).

The list could go on and on, but I think the point has been made. I wonder what will happen later on in life when your job causes you to accept more responsibilities—will you turn your face and let someone else do it. If you do, you may find yourself out of a job.

Remember too, that the GSA isn't a higher form of life, or a bunch of brains, but it is just an organization for you, the student, and without your help the GSA will dissolve and leave you really without representation.

I can only hope that the sophomores who will be coming in next year have the maturity to care about their school, and their rights as well as about sports, or themselves.

—Rick Rizzardi

Editorial —

C.S. Offers Good Exchange

"We want open classrooms. We want to learn by doing. Let's get out of the classrooms." These are some of the replies received when students are asked how the school could be improved.

The Community Studies program is just such a program. Here 20 students follow a regular school schedule until 12:00 when they would board a bus and be taken downtown where they would meet with other students from different schools. After a meeting the students would go out and do research into five areas: Business and Consumer Affairs, Government and Political Behavior, Environmental Quality and Land Use, Social Character, Social Services and Social Needs, and Readings of Urban Landscapes. In their research they take pictures, videotape interviews with political figures and people on the street, make maps, plan future cities and have group discussions.

Besides the obvious experience a person could obtain through this program the student would also get one full unit for a semester work.

With all the freedom involved in this program one would think that there would be many students wanting to get into this program, but just the opposite is true. By mid March only eight sophomores had signed up. If more interest is not shown the program may have to be canceled, and this would jeopardize any future similar programs.

In order to preserve this program I ask all sophomores to seriously consider signing-up. Not to, would be to throw a chance of a lifetime to the wind.

—Bob Dumke



LETTERS

Dear Editor:
Madison is very fortunate, as I well realize, to have an extremely talented staff of writers on "the Messenger." In every issue, this talent is displayed beautifully.

The disagreement I have with the paper, is the type of articles published. The newspaper has always been classified as being exceptional according to statistical standards, but to students, how does it really qualify? The coverage of the news and sports is excellent, but that's just the point. All there, is mainly

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Teachers . . .



Miss Mary St. John

College Conservatory, the Wisconsin College Conservatory Singers, and the Wisconsin College Conservatory Chamber Singers. She also sings at UWM in the Contemporary Music Womens Choir. She is the assistant music director of that group.

Some of her hobbies include canoeing, backpacking and mountain hiking.

Mr. David Bobke

Mr. David Bobke works in the mornings with Mr. Ristow and Mr. Leinwander, in the physical education department.

Six Students Get D.E. Awards

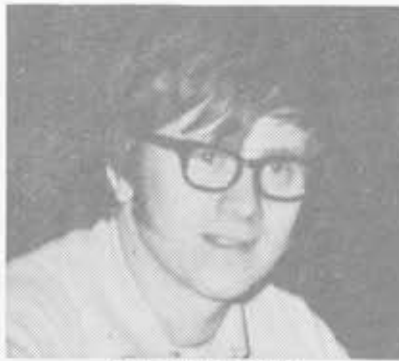
by Marie Moore

Mr. Kotke, a distributive education co-ordinator, recently went to the State Career Development Conference with six Madison students at Green Lake, Wisconsin. The students were Diane Dole, Richard Fisk, Maureen Greene, Dave Iraci, Monica Patrick, and Terri Richards.

This conference in Wisconsin is aimed to give awards for those students who perform well in the areas of Marketing and Distribution. The judges who are in the business field asked the students many questions concerning sales, management, etc.

Out of 900 students, the Madisonites came out on top. All six students received an award. Maureen Greene, senior, received a Honorable Mention on her Merchandise Manual featuring infant's shoes. Diane Dole, junior, received a Honorable Mention on Customer Service. Terri Richards, senior, received a Honorable Mention also. Monica Patrick received the D.E. girl of the year award.

Richard Fisk and Dave Iraci, senior, will be going to the National conference in Hollywood, Florida, on May 6-11 because of their performance in Wisconsin. Richard placed third in the Food Marketing Series. A proud Mr. Kottke said after the interview, "They all performed well at the conference."



Mr. David Bobke

He majored in physical education and recreation at UWM.

He likes to work with young people. He also enjoys participating in sports and enjoys being with people.

Mr. Bobke has taught at elementary schools before and is "not used to teaching high school students."

After he has finished school, Mr. Bobke said he would like to get a teaching job around the Milwaukee area.

FROM PAGE 1—

Forensics . . .

Damon White in Public Address, Howard Denemark in Demonstration, Patricia Ellis in Poetry, Karol Spring and Ed Dusterhoft in Prose, Mike Kane in Declamation, and Melanie Lewis in Storytelling.

Coming before State, will be tournaments here at Madison, hosting the Wisconsin Forensics Coaches' Association meet, on March 22, and at Memononee Falls East on April 12. State competition, held at UW-Madison, will be on April 19, with the qualifying tournament for national competition in May.

Anyone interested in joining forensics or debate for next year can stop in room 362, or talk with Coach Seraphim anytime. Anyone wishing to come to any of the forensics meets are welcome, and as usual, admission is free.

An additional note: During the month of March, several of Madison's DAFT Club members were asked to tape a radio program called "Rap," which airs on WRIT at 9:30 each Sunday morning. Any group of four high school students tape about 22 minutes of discussion, picking their own topic. On March 9, Darlynn Hoare, Mike Kane, Cheryl Noonan, and Keith Retzack discussed the issue of more money for academic clubs in the Milwaukee Public Schools. On March 16, Don Osten, Mike McCallister, Judy Kressbach and Cynthia Harcourt discussed the issue of a comparative world religion class in public schools. These programs are interesting and informative, giving the views of high school students on problems of today's society. Anyone interested in being on future shows should contact Coach Seraphim in room 362.

Cooperative Education Has Advantages for Students

by Donna Wentworth

Home economics cooperative education is a new program for students interested in careers related to the clothing field.

The coordinator of the program is Mrs. Gladys Stuart, a home economics teacher. The program affects all sophomore students who will be juniors next year. The program consists of two phases, clothing cooperative education I and II.

First Phase for Juniors

The first phase is for juniors only. It is a one hour class and is worth one credit. The purpose of this course is to prepare students for on-the-job training which is covered in the second phase. The first course also contains career exploration, job application and interviews, aspects of handling money earned, individual improvement, and application of clothing skills in the work world.

The second phase is for seniors only and can only be taken if one already had completed the first phase as a junior. Clothing cooperative education II is worth two credits and for seniors attending school

half days. The purpose of this course is to provide the student with on-the-job training experience. The student would attend school regularly in the morning. Of his morning classes, one would be a classroom instruction related to on-the-job training. The afternoon would then be spent working at that particular job.

Work at Specialty Shops

Businesses, industries and clothing factories that would hire students would be local department stores or specialty shops. The students would be paid at least minimum wage. Mrs. Stuart commented, "On-the-job training gives students practical experiences in the work world."

There are enrollment requirements for these courses. A student must have at least completed one year of home ec in ninth or tenth grade even before considering this course.

Mrs. Stuart has traveled to several sophomore homerooms giving information on the program. The turnout of students for cooperative education is positive.

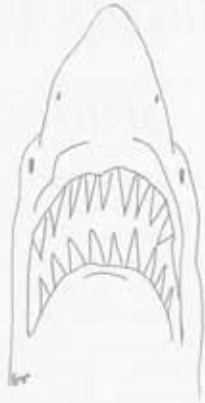


—Photo by A. Glassel

Instead of throwing snowballs, Madison's "one percent" turned to less violent activity.

BOOK REVIEW—

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by Larry Lange

"Jaws" by Peter Benchley is an "adult" book about a man-eating shark that invades the waters of an east coast resort town.

The shark kills four people of the town of Amnity before the crucial summer season when the town earns its only income.

The book shows how the sharks unwanted appearance affects the economy, sex life, nerves, and emotions of the town.

The story is a little unrealistic as even the Mafia is involved and the use of four letter words is so widespread that they become ineffectives. The policemen seem to be corrupt old men who spend their time reading dirty books and this fact adds another example to the unnecessary emphasis on obscenities.

Part three holds the terrifying finale when the huge shark is killed.

It is a novel that keeps you in slow-burning suspense and waiting for the exciting conclusion. If you like suspense with a touch of blood, read "Jaws."



Are Madison's Students Religious?

by Rick Rizzarda

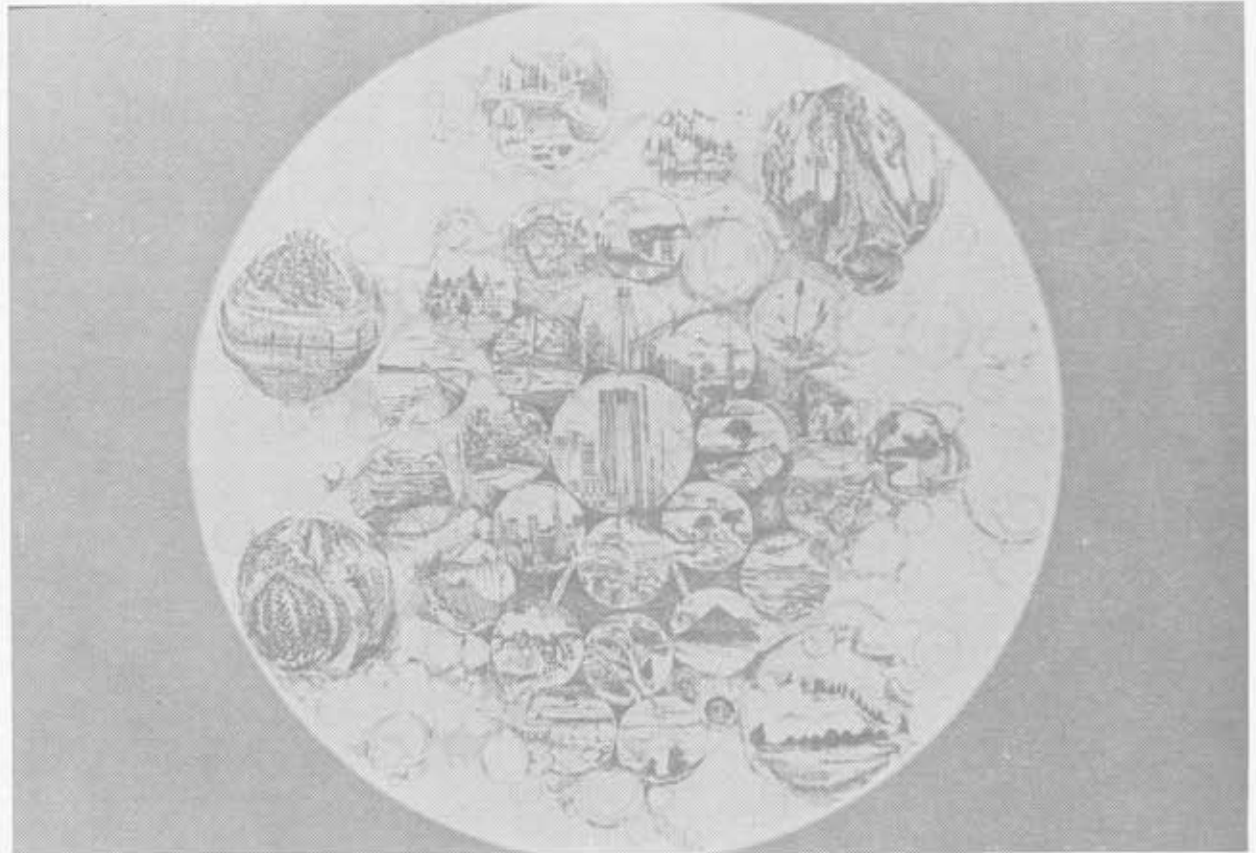
Almost everyone, at one time or another in his life, has been affected or influenced by religion. Many people take it seriously, and some don't. To see how Madison students and faculty felt about religion I conducted this poll.

The poll consisted of a questionnaire which was distributed at random. The results were tabulated and turned into percents, based upon answers received.

To lay the ground work, the first question stated: Do you believe in a supreme being, or beings that

Art Work of the Month

"The sketch is about a trip I took during last summer. It's divided into a series of sketches from places I've seen." —Larry Busateri



by Lenore Fill

Larry Busateri is one of the most promising artists to be found at Madison. With red hair and brown eyes, he's a carbon copy of John Hartford.

He specializes in water color, but also claims woods, photography, painting, and drawing to his domain.

He has been commissioned for more than one free lance job, but prefers to "do his own work."

New realism is coming back to



painting and Larry has a great head start. Asked who influenced his work the most here at Madison, he said Mrs. Holder.

He won more awards in art than any other artist here.

With all he has already accomplished, the praise and the awards, he considers himself as "average" and having much more to learn.

Stardom hasn't affected his head, and if it does in the future, it couldn't have happen to a nicer person.

have control of man? The results are below:

Yes—62% No—35%
No Comment—3%

A few people were reluctant to give any definite answer, and some answered the question as if it had two parts. The results were then equally divided and taken as two answers.

The second question posed was: Do you take part in religious activities at your church? The results are below:

Yes—59% No—41%

The majority of the answers were affirmative, but you must remember that different people have different definitions of "activities." To some it meant donating money, and to some it meant bake sales.

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Who Is Jim Maynard— Reporter Mystified?

by Steve Hulett

Your editor gives you the assignment: "Okay, dummy, this time I want you to interview a guy I know, named Jim Maynard." "Who is Jim Maynard? Why, he's first board on the Madison chess team."

"Okay," I think, "now what?" What kind of questions can you ask a chess player? Well, I soon found out.

You go to room 363, and you expect to find a pencil-legged, bespectacled egg-head who uses sixty-four dollar words like crazy. You expect to find a guy who went out for football, and made it—as the football. Well, I could not have been

more wrong if I had expected to meet a Martian. "Pencil-legged egg-head?" Not Jim Maynard. Instead, I found a broad-shouldered guy more fit for for football than pushing chess pieces. (Jim lifts weights regularly to keep in shape.) As I interviewed him, he handled delicate ivory pieces with thick fingers more accustomed to clutching a baseball bat.

Jim Maynard is first board in the chess team, which means that he is able to out-play anyone on the team. There are five "boards" which make up the really competitive team, and others below that. Jim

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Isaac Asimov - A Full Time Writing Machine

by Steve Hulett

Hemingway may have said, "Writing is not a full-time occupation," but Isaac Asimov, a veritable writing machine, is the exception to this 'rule.' And what an exception! For him, nothing else could be more full-time, save for breathing.

Isaac Asimov, writer extraordinaire, was born January 2, 1920, in the USSR. At age 3, he came to the United States. He grew up in Brooklyn, New York, where his father operated a candy store. At age 11, his I.Q. shifted into "overdrive," and he began to skip grades with incredible speed. By age 15, he was enrolled in Columbia. And later, he was publishing several items of short fiction in a pulp magazine *Amazing Stories*. He went on to earn his Bachelor of Science at Columbia, his Masters, a Ph.D. and associate professorship at the Boston University School of Medicine. Always, he has retained his driving urge to keep on writing.

Much Variety

One of the most amazing things about his writing is its unchallenged monopoly on variety. He has written books on everything from a two-volume guide to Shakespeare's works, to mysteries (he likes the mental challenge), to science-fiction serials. He says, "There isn't anybody in the world who's written as much as I have on as many subjects." "Ideas," he says, "just come to me. I never have to wait, I don't know what it's like to have a writers block." Mr. Asimov has written 56 books in 56 months, besides countless sheaves of articles and short stories. He says, "I keep two

typewriters at home, and two at the office, that way I have a backup. I have a manual, too, so if the electricity goes out I can keep on working." "You know," he reflects, "if a man is constantly racing, he's supposed to be a natural for a heart attack. I'm just the opposite. Every hour I'm not on the typewriter I feel guilty."

Likes TV

On a Saturday night, you'll find Isaac not at his typewriter, but in front of the television set, reclining in his favorite chair, under the potted avocado trees in his living room. He found that it is practically the only thing (besides writing) that relaxes him. Yet, if he loses interest in that, back at the old keyboard he'll be. His wife, Janet, also an author and a psychiatrist, says "You have to understand about Isaac: He feeds on it (his writing). He was sick on New Year's Day, so he wrote until he felt better. When we sailed to England last year on the Queen Elizabeth II, he spent the crossing working on stories in pen and ink."

Despite his proficient "typomania," Mr. Asimov says he's not a rich man. "Everybody thinks that," he says, "but my books aren't best sellers and they don't make movies out of them. I guess if I added up every penny I'd be half a millionaire, but it doesn't matter anyway."

So, next time you pick up a book on ants, or robots, or nutrition, or next time you find yourself researching a science project, look for the Asimov byline. Chances are, it'll be there.

Madison Treated to Cultural Exchange by Two Israel Students

by Marie Moore

Invasion of the Israelites. No, not exactly. But Madison was recently visited by two Israel students. Their purpose? To tell Madisonites and other individuals across the country about Israel's advancement for the past 27 years.

Since 1974, they have developed many cities, roads, and seven universities. During these 27 years of rebirth, they faced many problems with Arabs and the many different classes of Jews within their own country. Israel and Arabia have had many wars and the two Israelites said that in time of war everyone helps. In fact, upon high school graduation, it's a must for the boys to complete three years in the army

and the girls two years before going to college or work.

The school system consists of eight years of elementary school in which they begin learning English in the fifth grade, and four years of high school. In high school, they learn 18 different subjects while attending school until 1:00, six days a week. After a student has completed the basics, he is able to pick his major from literature, mathematics, or music. Beyond the tenth grade, the cost of an education is \$400 per year which is also the cost to attend one of the universities.

Because of this cost in education, the government doesn't mind if stu-

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Mrs. Lucka Leaves Madison

by Marie Moore

Mrs. Lucka, a teacher's aide at Madison, will not be able to operate the foreign language lab any longer. She is leaving with many sad regrets at not being able to work at Madison after three years. The reason for her leaving is that she'll be living at Cedar Lake which is out of the District of Milwaukee, and

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Religion . . .

Next, I asked them: Rate the value religion has on your life, with five being a lot, and one being more:

5—20%	4—32%	3—42%
2—4%	1—2%	

The results on this question are specific, since questions answered with fractional answers weren't counted. A few (less than 1/2 of 1%) had given me a "write-in" value of zero, the zero answers were counted, but not figured into the index above.

The next question was: Do you go to church mainly because you have to?

Yes—39% No—61%

Again, the results depended on how the students and faculty defined "have-to." To some it meant that it was against their religion not to, and others it probably meant their parents.

My last question was: Do your parents share your views on religion?

Yes—58% No—41%
Not applicable—1%

The above results included a "not applicable" since some parents of the students and faculty were deceased. The results to the "not applicable" are in parenthesis because the figure is approximate and rounded off.

The conclusion of this poll is that half (50%) of Madison's faculty and students polled believed in a supreme being (loosely interpreted as a "God").

the first obligation of a teacher's aide in a Milwaukee Public School is to live in the Milwaukee district. What does Mrs. Lucka think of this? "I think it's outdated," said an edgy Mrs. Lucka.

Mrs. Lucka considers the teachers at Madison to be very dedicated to their jobs and nice individuals. "They've been so kind to me and from what I observe they try hard even for the problem student," said a smiling Mrs. Lucka.

As for the students at Madison, Mrs. Lucka thinks they are all nice. "You have to take time with them all," she said, "in order to find the nice side in them." Mrs. Lucka thinks that the students haven't changed much as individuals at all.

Madison High School as a whole has many advantages as well as disadvantages. An advantage at Madison is the wide range of course offerings. But along with advantages comes disadvantages, and Mrs. Lucka thinks that students lose their identity at such a large school as Madison.

As for advantages, Mrs. Lucka has many. She loves kids and finds herself surrounded by all types besides her two sons Steve, a senior, and Rick, a sophomore, both who will be attending Madison until they move. Steve will be graduating at Madison. Working in the language lab helped her in the German course she was taking. Mrs. Lucka thinks that it also helped the students because she was able to help them when needed.

Mr. Clauer, a Spanish teacher at Madison, said that the labs will be in session before and after school and possibly during the lunch hours if he and the other foreign language teachers are able to get student monitors.

When asked how he felt about Mrs. Lucka leaving he said, "She's a good girl, and will be missed by all of us."



Ape goes ape in sink.

Photo by C. Ellingson

Teacher Gets High in Plane

by Denise Hoskins

"When I want to get away from it all I go 3,000 feet up," one of Madison's most popular teachers recently explained. "I get away from problems on the ground," and it is what you would call a "high of a high" but this enjoyment is not from reefers but from his plane which he has named "Teacher's Pet."

Although "Teacher's Pet" is fully instrumented for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR), the pilot is not. The reason he is not instrumented is because he dislikes flying in bad weather and feels he doesn't need IFR ratings.

Dream Comes True

What's so unusual about a teacher flying? Everything, when it has been a dream ever since he was a child. But this dream wasn't just accomplished recently, because flying has been in his blood for 11 years.

Was it hard? Not if you think that a year of studying, including 40 flying hours, a four-hour written test, and one actual flight test that lasts a minimum of an hour. If you still don't think that's work, the actual flight test involves a maneuver called a "stall" where the plane goes in a downward plummet toward the earth like a bomb. After all of this work, you can't even think of getting your license unless you're 17 years old.

When asked if he ever thought of, or wanted to become a commercial pilot he replied, "No." "Flying is the supreme delight, but it's just a hobby to me, because teaching Latin is my desired career, and I'm happy with my regular pilot's license."

What inspires a man to fulfill a dream? Well, for one thing it is determination and outstanding people in the desired field. In his case it was admiration for two men. One was Charles Lindberg, and the other was Max Conrad. Lindberg's story is known to all, but Conrad's may not be: he is considered the Flying Grandfather of aviation because he has 50,000 flying hours.

The pilot of "Teacher's Pet" has had no accidents, and has flown as far as Michigan and Kansas City. They were not long trips, but they also weren't disasters that could be added to the United States Fatality Toll.

He's a very careful pilot. You're probably wondering why there's been so many plane crashes lately, and how they affect his feelings about flying.

Flying accidents, just like any



Mr. Lawrenz and "Teacher's Pet"

—Photo by Photo Club

other accidents, virtually can be prevented because they are the results of unsafe acts and conditions, both of which can be eliminated. Still there's the question of why accidents pertaining to flying are increasing.

In reply to this question he said, "Crashes are probably due to pilots pushing their own capabilities, or pilots flying in bad weather under low ceilings, and during times of poor visibility."

Safety First

Airplane crashes don't scare him, not only because he's safe but in his opinion, flying isn't any more dangerous than driving.

Driving without the use of safety belts alone results in the loss of 14,000 lives each year, not including drunken driving. This contrasts with the 19 major accidents or disasters related to flying in 1973.

According to the United States National Safety Council Report, motor vehicle accidents are among the leading causes of U.S. fatalities each year. So he really feels safe in the air.

If you're still wondering who this successful pilot is in the picture, his name is Mr. Lawrenz and he can be found in room 305 or out at Timmerman Field on a clear day removing "Teacher's Pet" from its hanger getting ready for "lift off."

Calculators Kill Slide Rule

by Laura Hathaway

"Calculators are here now and here to stay," stated Mr. Bruce Bamberg, head of the Math Department. Because of the fact stated above, math teachers will have to accept calculators. "The calculator has replaced the slide rule and within one year every family will have one," predicts Mr. Bamberg.

Certain limitations should be set on calculators. They should be kept out of the hands of students with poor arithmetic skills or those who are still in the learning process of the basic skills. After the skills have been thoroughly developed, the calculator may be used. If to put a starting point, in eighth grade the calculators could be used but just for checking of problems or for recreation or mathematical curiosity. If the calculator is used too early the student will not learn the basic skills needed to succeed in math.

Not Good in Geometry or Algebra

The calculator is not particularly useful in ninth grade algebra or tenth grade geometry because the answers used are rational (fractions) or radical forms. The calculator answers only in decimals. The

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Book Review— The Lord Of the Ring

by Helen Woyt

Volume I of *The Lord of the Rings*, a trilogy of Hobbit adventures by J.R.R. Tolkien is called *The Fellowship of the Ring*. The book starts off with a short prologue, explaining what Hobbits are and briefly summarizing the events of Bilbo Baggins in the preceding book, *The Hobbit*.

In this first book Gandalf, the wizard who accompanied Bilbo on his journey in *The Hobbit*, discovers that the ring Bilbo found is a very evil and powerful ring that forces of evil want to get back.

It is decided the Bilbo's heir, Frodo, will take the ring back to the land of Mordor and cast it back into the fires where it was forged. The Fellowship of the Ring is then chosen to help Frodo on his journey. The companions include two men, an elf, a dwarf, Frodo's servant, two of his hobbit kinsmen, and Gandalf.

The Fellowship journeys over mountains and through dismal forests always under the scrutiny of the wicked Saruman, who wants the ring Bilbo carries. Bilbo and his friends are pursued by the Black Riders, Saruman's spies and followed by Gollum, the creature that Bilbo took the ring from who still lusts for it.

This volume ends with the dissolution of the Fellowship after an attack by a group of orc soldiers working to help Saruman recover the ring.

By the time you've finished this book you might find yourself "attached" to Frodo and the rest of the Fellowship, so why not pick up Volume II of this trilogy, *The Two Towers*. (If you can't find it, wait until next issue when it will be featured here.)

Stepford Wives - Book vs. Movie

Diane Prager interviews

Lenore Fill

Lenore Fill, a member of the Messenger Staff, was interviewed by Diane Prager on her views of the *Stepford Wives*, movie and book, both of which she had recently experienced.

About the movie, Lenore states, "It wasn't all that it could be." Why? "The movie had less guts than the book, but the book left more to the imagination and went

into more detail. The stars in the movie were too glamorous.

She continued, saying, "They cut and changed things that were in the book to make a better plot for the movie and better parts for the actors and actresses.

"Maybe I was spoiled because of reading the book first and expecting too much."

Lenore candidly admits, "I noticed that I was one of the very few who left the movie for the confoc-

tion stand; the movie did seem to hold everyone to their seats. It did have suspense, and the eerie feelings that were present in the book. The book was one you couldn't put down once it was started. Some things are made for different media; for example, 'Cabaret' would have lost the decadence in book form. The movie brought this out beautifully. The *Stepford Wives* should have been left between the covers."

Madison Loses Despite Repka's 41 Points

by Brian Schuster

For the second year in a row the Madison Knights basketball team went to Madison to play in the WIAA state tournament and for the second straight year they lost to a Milwaukee team in the first game.

This year it was Marshall who stopped the Knights. The Eagles put together a balanced scoring attack to put off the fantastic effort Bob Repka displayed. Repka scored 41 points and tied a state record of 18 field goals in one game. But Repka would have been happier had the Knights won. "I would have settled for no points if we only would have won," commented Repka.

Coach Rozek was surprised to find Marshall to be as tough as they were and stated, "They're a good team and I'm still glad we had a chance to play in state."

The Madison Knights basketball team under the director of Coach Ray Rozek has been making quite a few headlines lately. First of all they tied for first place in the city, they became regional champions for the second straight year and they are one of eight teams who made it to the state tournament on Thursday, March 20. Their opponent was Milwaukee Marshall, a team they lost to in conference play.

The first game in the sectionals was against Hartland Arrowhead. Hartland tried to stop Madison by playing Bob Repka tight. But by trying to stop Repka they left other people open. This gave guard Dave Polk a chance to show how he could shoot. Polk swished three baskets before Hartland had a chance to correct their errors. They tried to press the Knights but this was a serious mistake. The "run and gun" offense took over and beat Hartland 72-65.

This victory gave Madison the opportunity to play Rufus King for the chance to go to state. King also beat Madison in conference play at King. The Generals were a quick team with a balanced scoring attack. But a superb showing, led by guard Bob Repka, gave the Knights a 78-73 victory. Dave Polk provided another night of sharpshooting and Ken Gibson and Brian Weiler controlled the rebounds. But an injury to Dan McCoy could leave the Knights without the height they will need against Marshall.



—Photo by Photo Club

The great Madison Knights—L. to R.—F. Purdy, K. Coursin, K. Coursin, B. Carey, M. Wisotzke, B. Baade, J. Moderski, K. Gibson, D. McKoy, B. Weiler,

D. Polk, S. Rick, B. Repka. Kneeling—L. to R.—C. Guiffre, Manager and Asst. Coach T. Desotell, Coach R. Rozek, Asst. Coach R. Weber.

Girls' Basketball Ends Season With 8-4 Record

by Sue Prebish

The James Madison girls' basketball team ended their first WIAA season with a 8-2 conference and a 8-4 over-all record.

After the teachers' strike the team had to work hard to make up for lost time, but they came back to beat Lincoln by a score of 56-29. Marianne Giuffre came out as top scorer for our Knights with 20 points, followed by Julie Stuver with 10 and Kathy Peck with 8.

On February 18 they again came out on top by beating Custer in overtime by a score of 35-32. Our Knights, holding a 28-24 lead at the end of the third quarter, and held to only two points in the final period, allowed their opponents to get the six needed points that tied up the game. The female cagers were then able to hold Custer to two points and Kathy Peck, Vickie Corbell, and Julie Stuver scored the last five for our team to wind up another exciting victory for Madison.

After suffering two losses, one to Hamilton by a close 38-35 score, and the other to Marshall 26-17, the team came back to win their three remaining games, against Pulaski, West and South, which qualified them to play in the tournament held

here at Madison on March 1.

The tournament consisted of two games. In the first game, Pulaski played Hamilton. Pulaski was on top throughout the game and despite efforts for a late comeback, Hamilton was unable to score the necessary amount of points, therefore, qualifying Pulaski to compete against Custer on Tuesday, March 4.

In the second game Madison played Bay View. A slow first half hurt our team badly as Bay View won the contest by a score of 37-32, putting our Knights out of the contest. Marianne Giuffre led the Knights scoring with 17 points, followed by Julie Stuver with 6, Debbie Glass 3 and Vickie Corbell, Mary Mack and Tammy Wolff with 2 each.

On March 4, Custer beat Pulaski by a score of 38-37, putting them in the finals for the city championship against Bay View.

In the final contest, held at Custer on March 6, Custer took a five point lead at the half. They were able to maintain their lead throughout the remainder of the game, winning by a score of 50-41, and clinching the title of first WIAA Girls' Basketball City Champions.

Wrestlers Shoot Tigers

by John Corning

The James Madison varsity wrestling team ended another outstanding season by placing sixth in the city wrestling tournament, fourth in city dual meets and broke two previous records.

The Knights had an easy workout on Wednesday before the city tournament. They took on the Riverside Tigers in a dual meet, and walloped the Tigers 42-15. The meet worked to the Knights advantage. It helped to keep the Knights weight down and gave them added encouragement before heading into the tournament.

Once into the city tournament, several of our grapplers did fine jobs for the team and for themselves. Leading the team was Mike Brown at 105, who took a first place finish. Tony Jaworske at 155 and John Corning at 185 ended up in third place, losing their only matches to the eventual first place winners. David Jaworski at 132 also captured a third place. Other Knights placing, were Pete McConnell at 112, who took a fifth and Bill Dahl at 138, took a sixth. These Knights and the rest of the team helped put Madison in sixth place

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March Quiz by Joel Stoller

- Which of these pitchers holds the major league record for most homeruns in a career?
A. Ferguson Jenkins
B. Bob Gibson
C. Steve Carlton
D. Ken Holtzman
- In what year did the NBA Lakers move from Minneapolis to Los Angeles?
A. 1960 B. 1955
C. 1963 D. 1965
- Who holds the major league record for the most times stealing home in one season?
A. Maury Wills
B. Ty Cobb
C. Lou Brock
D. Pete Reiser
- Who is the player-coach of the NBA Portland Trailblazers?
- Match these ABA players with the universities they attended.
Dan Issel Massachusetts
Julius Erving Kentucky
Roger Brown Purdue
Billy Keller Dayton
- Which Milwaukee Brewer wore number 44 before Hank Aaron arrived?
A. Tom Murphy
B. Tim Johnson
C. Sixto Lezcano
D. Gorman Thomas
- Which of these professional golfers has the most career earnings?
A. Jack Nicklaus
B. Johnny Miller
C. Arnold Palmer
D. Lee Trevino
- The Milwaukee Brewers open their 1975 season against what team?
A. Boston Red Sox
B. Baltimore Orioles
C. Cleveland Indians
D. Detroit Tigers
- Four starters of the Boston Celtics (John Havlicek, Don Chaney, Jo Jo White, and Dave Cowens) were all first round draft choices. Their fifth starter was picked up as a free agent. Who is he?
- True or False: Dan Devine, resigned Green Bay coach who has one year remaining on his Packer contract, will not get paid for that year.
- Which one of these NBA stars has never played in the ABA?
A. Rick Barry
B. Rudy Tomjanovich
C. Spencer Haywood
D. Charlie Scott
- Milwaukee Brewers third baseman, Don Money, set how many major league baseball records last season?
A. 1 B. 3
C. 5 D. 9

ANSWERS

1. B
2. A
3. D
4. Lenny Wilkens
5. Dan Issel—Kentucky
Julius Erving—Massachusetts
Roger Brown—Dayton
Billy Keller—Purdue
6. C
7. C
8. V
9. Don Nelson
10. C

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Wrestlers End Season . . .

and broke the previous team scoring record with a total of 63.5 points.

Looking back at the season Coach Dave Mayberry replied, "I think we did pretty good, but nothing outstanding." The Knights finished with an 8-3 record for dual meets. In conference meets, they also broke a previous team record, this one by allowing only 178 points to be scored against them.

Commenting about next year's outlook Coach Mayberry replied, "I am excited." And so, he has something to be excited about. He has 11 lettermen returning next year. Four of those returning, placed in the city tournament. Considering everything, the Knights have a good chance to be the greatest next year.

Following are the records of the 1974-75 wrestling team:

	City	Overall
Chester Ness	7-5-0	8- 9-0
Mike Brown	14-0-0	19- 1-0
Pete McConnell	5-4-1	5- 5-1
Jim Bruno	3-5-0	3- 6-0
Ed Doro	2-6-1	2- 6-1
*Scott Haugen	7-5-0	10-10-0
Brett King	1-1-0	1- 1-0
David Jaworski	11-3-1	13- 6-1
Bill Dahl	5-7-0	6- 9-0
Randy Gromoski	4-8-0	6-11-0
*Tony Jaworski	13-1-1	22- 3-1
Jeff Gabrielson	9-3-0	13- 6-0
*John Corning	13-2-0	13- 4-0
Don Krueger	8-3-1	11- 5-1

*seniors

Green, White Swim Meet

Friday, February 28 marked the date of the First Annual Sophomore Green and White Swim Meet.

Coach Steve Gutknecht divided the sophomore swim team equally in half. Then he appointed one captain for each team. The Green team's captain was Jim Staudt, and the White team's captain was Gus Geil.

Everything went smoothly and the Green team came out victorious over the White team, 39-38.

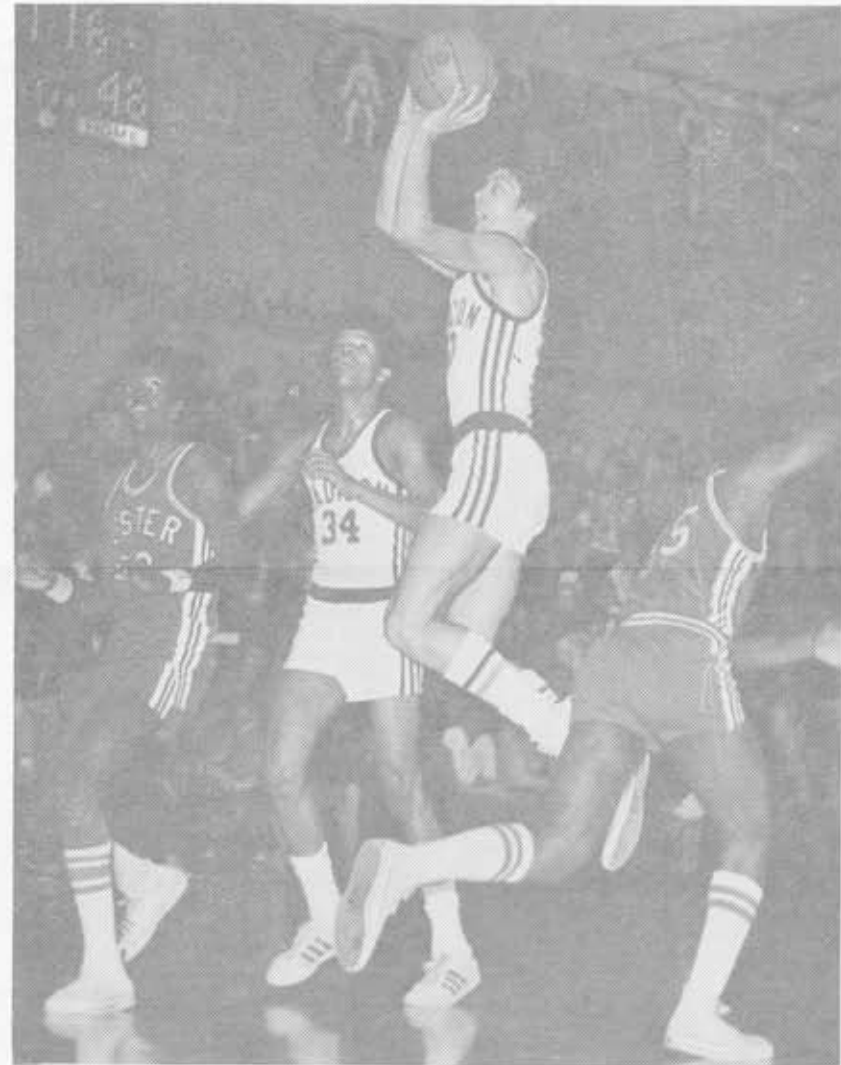


Photo by C. Ellingson
"Ugh! What a shot!" L. to R. Ken Gibson, Brian Weiler.

Madison Cagers Move on to State

by Brian Schuster

To get to the Sectionals the Knights first had to get out of regionals. This was not as easy as they first thought. The cagers played at home, which was an advantage, plus the fact that they were playing against three relatively "easy" teams, Nicolet, Custer and Brown Deer.

Starts With Custer

The Knights started off with the game against Custer. They had already beaten them in a very high scoring contest, 101-91, in city conference action. The game started off as usual with both teams exchanging baskets and the score being tied up. But then with five minutes remaining in the second quarter, Madison's full-court press began to take its toll on Custer. Numerous errors, which included in-bound passes and dribbling mistakes, gave Madison a 10 point lead. From there on in it was all downhill for the Indians as Madison won 92-

73 and advanced to the championship game against Brown Deer who had beaten Nicolet.

Brown Deer Different

The Brown Deer bucketmen was not as permissive as Custer was. The type of game which they played was more like a control game with many passes and one good percentage shot. The Falcons executed very accurately and stayed even or ahead of the Knights. Madison couldn't get the momentum started which had beaten previous teams. The full court press which had puzzled other teams hardly bothered Brown Deer and the Falcons quick guards and forwards eventually broke the press. But the sharp shooting of Bob Repka and the strong effort of reserves Floyd Purdy, Bill Carey, and Mark Wisotzke who took the place of the foul troubled starters kept the Knights in contention and eventually put them ahead for good 88-73. This victory gave the cagers the

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Gymnasts Take Fifth in State

by Jim Higgins

Madison's gymnastics team ended a fine season with a fifth place in the state meet, which was won by Green Bay Preble. Preble scored 133 points compared to the Knights 118. Dave Russel and Joel Barbieri led the team to its finish. Russel had the highest score in qualifying for the finals on the parallel bars, and probably would have taken first if he had hit his routine in the finals. Joel Barbieri took seventh in the all-around, an event won by Joe Wickert of Bay View.

Coach Leinwander said, "It wasn't one of our better days, but I think that this could be because most of the team is made up of juniors and they didn't have any experience in a state meet."

To advance to state competition, the Knights had to finish in the top two of ten teams in sectionals at Hartland.

The gymnasts finished second to Brookfield East scoring 122.12 to East's 126.84. Fine performances by Rick Gunther, Joel Barbieri and Chuck Schweiss led the way to their second place finish. Gunther averaged 6.9 on the horizontal bars, finishing third behind Adrian Weidman of Brown Deer second, and Madison's Joel Barbieri who nabbed first with a 7.6 average.

Schweiss took a second on the pommel horse averaging 5.15 which was .65 behind the first place finisher.

FROM PAGE 2—

LETTERS . . .

straight news stories. I'm not saying that this is wrong or bad, just that there should be more feature articles — ones of interest to the students, ones of humor, ones of the make-believe and of dreams. Anything! All that is featured are reviews, columns, or polls. These are fine once in a while but they get extremely monotonous for the readers.

Could the editors please consider a few more options to feature. Let's get back to high school without playing games, asking questions, or spotlighting. I would appreciate your consideration for a new idea instead of just the same old ones.

Thank-You, a colleague,
Julie Wiggins

Dear GSA:

What are the "Madison Follies"? Did we have a "Halloween Dance"? Is there such a thing as a GSA representative? What are the achievements of the General Students Assembly, this year or for that matter, any year?

I was a former member of the GSA, and from what I have seen



—Photo by Photo Club

Mr. Leinwander, gymnastics coach for Madison, was selected as "Coach of the Year" by the gymnastic coaches of Milwaukee high schools.

isher. Joel Barbieri won the all-around averaging 6.67.

Barbieri's excellent performance all-around was crucial to the team's advancing to the state meet. Before the all-around scores were added in, the battle for second place in the team scores was very close, but Barbieri's victory sealed the trip to the state meet.

With a strong group of juniors, including Rick Gunther, Dave Russel and Chuck Schweiss and sophomores coming back, Coach Leinwander is looking forward to another good season next year.

FROM PAGE 8—

Madison Cagers

trip to Whitefish Bay for the sectionals with Hartland Arrowhead, Homestead, and Milwaukee King.

The Madison cagers have the most impressive record of the four teams competing. They also captured the city conference crown with Pulaski and Washington by virtue of a victory over Milwaukee Hamilton 78-68. Coach Ray Rozek was very happy with the title even though it was shared with two other teams. "It means just as much to me as the '72-'73 championship,"

—A Madison senior

FROM PAGE 8—

Calculators An Aid for Students

calculator is useful in chemistry, physics, and in senior math containing trigonometry. In trigonometry the calculator allows the teacher to concentrate more on the theoretical concepts which are more important in higher math.

The calculator is also used as a timesaver and it takes out the drudgery of calculation.

The cost of calculators is in a range from \$15-\$800 but these prices are half as much as last year. A year ago a calculator with a square root key cost \$60-\$70 but it now costs about \$30. A more sophisticated calculator with trigonometry functions cost \$150 a year but now \$70-\$80. A good calculator to get would be with batteries and an AC option, have an eight-digit read out, full floating decimal, mixed and chain calculations (addition, subtraction), a square root key, and square in capacity. The cost would range from \$20-\$30.

One danger of calculators is the small size because they can easily be stolen. Mr. Bamberg recommends that a student owning a calculator should engrave his name on it and

Trackmen Battle State Champs As Season Opens

by Brian Schuster

The 1975 track team under the direction of Coach John Kotsubka is off and running. The Knights, hampered by the absence of athletes for the team, will begin their season on March 20 against last year's state champs, Racine Park and city champions, Custer, at Park.

"We just don't have enough people to make a complete team," commented Coach Kotsubka. "There are so many athletes in other sports who would not only help the team, but help themselves if they would only try."

Coach Kotsubka is assisted this year by Mr. Hanneberry, who will coach the shot putters and discus men. Mr. Gutnecht will coach the field events, and Mr. Dave Stadden.

Coach Stadden is a physical teacher at Samuel Morse Junior High School and he will coach the sprinters and hurdlers. "We have the nucleus to form an outstanding team but we need more runners to assist the nucleus," said Coach Stadden.

FROM PAGE 6—

Artists Honored

his social security number. They should also see that it is covered by the parents' insurance policy.

The judging consisted of two categories: Judges and Customers. Each select groups object was to choose their favorites in paintings, ceramics, drawings, crafts and graphics. Each category had a first, second and third place. Honorable mentions were added when choosing was difficult.

The first place winners were Val Johnson who won seventy dollars, Larry Busateri and Pam Brown who both won eighty dollars. Cindy Prews, Cathy Biehler, Larry Busateri and Pam Brown also won four different awards.

Other winners were Gina Hoefert, Suzanne Stracke, Gloria Ruehn, Pam Biegoff, Lenore Fill, Debra Anderson, Chris Schwal, and Debra Holbart.

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Girls' track truckin' on. L. to R. Nancy Merz, Mary Huerta, Karen Bruno, Roxanne Brown.

—Photo by S. Binstreich

FROM PAGE 4—

JIM MAYNARD

started playing chess when he was rather young. "My dad plays chess, and he taught it to me and my brother."

Before he was out of grade school, Jim was enjoying that taste of victory. He says, "I liked when I was nine years old that I could beat some of those big high school guys." Presently, Jim sports 9½ victories in intramural competition, and 2½ losses, the half-games being draws.

Last April found him and some of his teammates in New York, competing in an international chess tournament, and generally enjoying the pleasures New York has to offer. Smiling, Jim says, "New York was really a jazzy town, it really was great."

Club Needs Money

At this point, Jim pointed out to me some funding problems with the chess club, helped by some statistical support from Mr. Langren, chess club advisor. As its yearly budget allowance, the chess team receives \$60.00. That may sound like a lot, but it really doesn't go too far. The cost for registration per player (5 players) for the New York competition is \$10.50, and is approximately the same for registration at regional, state, and tournament competition. The cost for registration alone is well over \$100.00 a year. This includes the cost of food, lodging, and transportation.

Mr. Landgren, who owns a van, provides transportation out of his own pocket, and the team members pay for food and lodging themselves. Jim compared this to the golf team, which is allotted approximately \$2,000.00 annually for golf balls,

and to baseball, football and basketball teams which receive similarly generous sums for equipment and transportation.

The chess team will go to New York once again this year, and Jim states, "We had a good time last year, and we plan on winning this year." Jim's ego, though active, is not inflated. "I like winning. When you're good at it, and you win, you enjoy it."

Live Sports Too

Jim enjoys sports, but hasn't gone out for any intramural sports because it would interfere with his job. Jim works at a Journal substation, heaving bundles of papers, and inserting coupon booklets and sections. He plays a lot of football, but his favorite sport is baseball. For two years before he went to high school, he played in a league. Jim complains, "I know a lot of people think chess players are faggots. It isn't true." He also doesn't believe in "putting down" other guys because they are not "built," or are small and weak. "He may look like a chicken can beat him up, but he might be a really jazzy guy, not 'faggy' at all."

Another of Jim's interests is archaeology. Said one of his friends, "He's in love with Egyptian mummies." Jim answered, "Archaeology interests me. That's what I'd like to be later on." He also agreed that yes, he is fascinated by ancient Egyptian culture. When I mentioned a course on archaeology during the summertime, (the summer school program sponsors one), he said, "No way! In the summer I play baseball and sports. Summer is my time

Milwaukee Treated to the Queen

by Terry Conway

In the royal tradition of England, Milwaukee was introduced to a quartet of rock musicians appropriately titled Queen. With a sound which alters between awesome hard rock and frail ballads, Queen tended to ignore the latter and supplied a sellout crowd at the Uptown Theatre with an evening of relentless energy.

Queen is composed of Freddie Mercury on vocals and piano, Brian May on guitars, John Deacon on bass, and Roger Taylor on drums. The nucleus of Queen corresponds directly to Brian Mays' unique guitar playing and the unusual, but nonetheless exceptional vocal work provided by the eccentric Mercury. The original concept of Queen was introduced by Mercury to Brian May and Roger Taylor, who were originally members of a remotely known group called Smile. Deacon was added as a bass player and a recording contract with EMI Records soon followed as a result of their fine live performances. An album entitled "Queen" was recorded which consisted of material which the group had been performing in concert. The album featured fine production, diversification in regard to the material, and excellent individual performances by the group members.

American Tour

A tour of America was scheduled at an opening act to Mott the Hoople, but was canceled due to illness incurred by guitarist May. Ironically, Kansas (who opened this concert for Queen) replaced Queen exceptionally well in the Mott concert at the Auditorium last spring. Queen followed their first album with "Queen II" and "Sheer Heart Attack," which were a natural progression from the first, and which established them as being distinctly different in a record market overburdened with imitation. Another tour of America was outlined, and included a March 7 date for Milwaukee at the archaic Uptown Theatre.

Kansas

Kansas, who just happen to be from Kansas, opened the evenings' show with a short, but extremely well done set of songs. Due to the recent release of a new album, entitled "Song for America," Kansas devoted more time to the recent album instead of concentrating on their first release. Nonetheless, the new material proved to be as equal for fun."

Then, after promptly and mercifully whipping me in a short game of chess, I lamented that "Only a real 'brain' could be good at this game." Not true! according to Jim. "Anybody can play chess and have fun. It's a game anyone can enjoy."

ly good during their performance. The six man group has a unique sound which is a fusion of the essential elements of hard rock, along with the addition of electric violin and synthesizers. The combination was employed to its fullest on "Bringing It Back" and "Belexes" from the first album, and "Incomudro: Theme to the Atman" from the recent album. Although Kansas was well received, the anticipation of Queen tended to be a hinderance to their reception.

Procession

The lights dimmed and the anticipation became a realization as Queen arrived on stage to the layered guitar work of "Procession." The tempo was set for the evening as the opening chords to "Now I'm Here" filled the theatre. The stage lights soon revealed the four members of the group; Freddie Mercury and Brian May were attired in white, which was in direct contrast to the black clothing of John Deacon and Roger Taylor. Weak versions of "Ogre Battle" and "Father to Son" followed the opening number, and eventually turned out to be the only lowpoints in Queen's performance. Mercury, who had been sauntering from one side of the stage to the other, retired to the piano and the group then proceeded to render a particularly impressive "White Queen." A medley of songs, consisting of "In the Lap of the Gods," the current single "Killer Queen," "The March of the Black Queen," and a 1920's type of song (which displayed Brian Mays' banjo virtuoso) titled "Bring Back that Leroy Brown," ensued in which Mercury's presence domineered over the other three.

In the royal tradition of England, a prerecorded, Queen version of "America the Beautiful" played over the P.A. as the crowd departed. There couldn't have been a more appropriate ending.

FROM PAGE 5—

Culture . . .

dents would rather work after completing the tenth grade.

The technology of the United States is more advanced than that of Israel. Many can afford one television and one car, yet others can't even afford that. The products cost more than American products, but American wages are more than the Israeli wages.

Although Israel is less advanced in technology than the United States, their crime rate isn't as high as that of the United States. They also have less pollution, trancies in schools, and drug addiction.

After the presentation, the Israelites said a polite "no" to a question asking if they would like to live in America.