

SOUTHWEST PIONEER



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System adopted working well —

Six-hour day wows SW

SW started its new six-period day Wednesday, September 4. SW and all other St. Louis city high schools now have adopted this system.

The system divides the school day into six-periods instead of eight. Fourth period is a long period, divided into A, B, C, and D lunch periods. Students and teachers attend lunch according to the letter assigned to them the fourth hour. All classrooms have the lunch letter A, B, C, or D above their clocks. Each lunch period is separated from the next by four minutes. Since the cafeteria is centrally located, four minutes was designated as enough time between lunch periods.

Gladstone Comments

When asked how the new system was working, Mr. Gladstone, Administrative Assistant said, "There is a tremendous increase in tardies." A-period classes now meet at 7:50 a.m. Since this is ten minutes earlier than last year, tardiness is a major problem. Class cuts, however, have decreased because of only six periods and fewer study halls. Advisory, which has been shortened five minutes, is now ten minutes long.

The time for Student Council has also changed. All SC representatives are scheduled into room 28 the fifth period Monday, Wednesday, and odd Fridays. Meetings are still held on Wednesdays. The full period allows twice as much time as last year for business.

Lab courses which met seven-and-a-half periods last year now meet only five periods a week. This means that all science, art, home economics, and

Scholars vie in TV Quiz

Southwest's Scholarquiz team will battle Washington, Mo. High School on Saturday, Sept. 28. This will be the second Scholarquiz program of the new television season.

The 1968-69 team consists of seniors George Careklas, Barb Kerr, Lisa Pagano and John Zakibe, with Valerie Komar as alternate.

Miss Lucy Funk, SW counselor and faculty sponsor for the team, plans to hold practice sessions during the second period and on Saturdays. Bicycle bells will be used to prepare the group's alertness for answering questions and ringing the bell before the opponents can answer the same question.

This is the third year that Miss Funk has sponsored a team.



SUE BIEDERMAN, (left) senior, joins in the 4th period confusion in Southwest's cafeteria. The confusion was typical of the first week of the split-lunch periods.

shop classes meet five times a week. General science has become a lab course for the first time because of the hour periods. Business classes also meet five times a week except for office practice and vocational business education classes. Gym classes continue to meet either Monday, Wednesday, and odd Fridays, or Tuesday, Thursday, and even Fridays.

Teachers either teach five classes or teach four classes and supervise a study hall. Many classes have been overcrowded, but adding a few more teachers will aid this problem.

"This system is found in almost all of our county schools," said Mr. Halbman, counselor. "It has worked smoothly elsewhere, and it is working well here."

Counselors switch

Counselors also have a new system to go along with the six-period day. Under the new plan each counselor will have a few students from every class. The changing of student records began Monday, September 23. By this system each counselor may have an equal number of students.

Faculty claims 26 new teachers this year; Volunteer worker of S. A. teaches Spanish

Joining Southwest this year are 22 new teachers, a new nurse, and an audio-visual director.

In the science department, Miss Dolores Arno and Mr. Wallace Droste teach chemistry. Biology teachers are Mrs. Pauline Washington, Mr. Glenn Haun, and Miss Carol Komadina. Mr. Herbert Bosch teaches General Science.

Math gains five

The math department has gained four new teachers, also. Miss Ruth Crane, Mrs. Anita Madsen, Mr. John Personett, and Mr. Lorne Piercy are all new to Southwest.

Miss Nancy Brooker, who comes to SW from Texas, joins the English department this year, along with Mr. Larry Gross, Mrs. Marie Markowski, Mr. Patrick Meloy, Mrs. Sue Pratt, and Mr. George Killenberg.

P.E. gains two

Miss Earline Falck and Mr. Edgar Graham, both from O'Fallon High School, are filling out the gym department.

Miss Shirley Cleary joins SW to teach art, and Mr. Robert Vogel to teach history. D.E. picked up Mr. Conrad Wuerz, and Mr. John Emmett teaches merchandising.

Southwest also welcomes nurse Mrs. Francis O'Jile and audio-visual director Mr. Fulton Allen.

Newest at Southwest are Miss Carol Komadina and Mr. George Killenberg.

Teacher volunteers

Miss Monica Jones, who is teaching the Spanish classes of Miss Jean DeGrande until she returns to SW later this year, has for the last eighteen months worked as a Papal Volunteer in Bolivia. After training in Cuernavaca, Mexico, Miss Jones was assigned to teach grade schools.

"One of the first things you learn is patience," says Miss Jones. "If you are invited for dinner at eight in S.A., it may not begin before ten."

"People are people"

She feels that many people have a misunderstanding about the underdeveloped areas of the world. "People are people anywhere in the world, and if you are friendly, they respond."

Miss Jones intends to return to S.A. as a Peace Corps volunteer in January.

The young teacher is enthusiastic about her work in Bolivia and urges others to take an interest. "It is a great opportunity for those who are interested," she says.

Pioneer gets All-Mo; Quill 'n Scroll takes forty-two members

Pioneer has closed a spectacular year by adding the "All-Missouri" rating in the state to its two national first-class awards from the National Scholastic Press Association and the Columbia Scholastic Press Association.

"All-Missouri" is a new rating this year from the Missouri Interscholastic Press Association. It compares to the Special Excellent award of previous years. Kerry Buehre led the staff in awards by placing second in state competition for feature writing. Those receiving first-class awards in this category were Russ Becherer and Beau Thurman.

Twelve first class awards

A first-class news rating was given to Becky Schilling and Doris Speck. Earning a first-class place in editorial writing was Kerry Buehre, while Marilyn Mueller received one in a regular sports column. Terry Belford was awarded a first class in the sports story category. For his sports column, Mark Schlinkman also earned a first class.

As staff artists, Sandy Kuffer and Mary Weidner each received a first-class award in cartooning and art. George Prica, Pioneer photographer, rounded out "first" in all fields.

Quill and Scroll awards

In addition to the M.I.P.A. awards, Quill and Scroll accepted 29 Pioneer staffers into its membership. Among these were Marilyn Mueller and Bob Kelly, former co-editors; Holly Rodcay, business manager; and John Haley, production manager.

Last year's subscription manager, Cristy Brandt and seniors August

Favazza, Joanne Gutjahr and Becky Schilling were also included in Quill and Scroll.

Roundup adds, too

Round-up also had members qualify for Quill and Scroll. Former editor Jeanne Chouquette and her assistants Debbi Doetzel and Ellen Bruner led the staff of graduates Sue Janis, Judy Kraus, Shelley Madden, and seniors David Prokopchuck, Jenny Abromovich, Valerie Komar and Marcia Spitz. Co-editors Lisa Pagano and Ron McMullen have qualified, also.

The standards set for those desiring membership in Quill and Scroll are high. A writer must be in the top third of his class, have 50 inches of work published in the school newspaper or yearbook, and his sponsor's approval.

Those at SW are members of Parker Wheatley Chapter.

Frosh cause jammed halls

Every third person walking down the halls this year is a freshman. In a total enrollment of about 2586 people in Southwest this year, there are over 800 freshmen.

This year's enrollment marks the largest total population in Southwest history to date, although in 1956 a new addition was added on Arsenal because there were then 1587 people in the school. With the increasing population, this proved to be inadequate. Then in 1964, the new addition on Kingshighway was added to make room for a total of 2300 people. Now, with the present enrollment of 2586, there are about 300 extra people in the halls of Southwest.

With the increased enrollment this year, the halls are not the only problem. None of these freshmen have been assigned to any one counselor, there are far too many of them for that. Due to the new guidance system called Vertical Counseling, each counselor has about 200 freshmen. The rest of his clients consist of upperclassmen. As for programs, there have been well over 1000 program changes that had to be made — much to the dismay of Mrs. Kelly and her staff.



MISS JONES, Spanish teacher, returns to SW after being a Papal worker in Bolivia.

SW to VP

Nearly 200 SW students are rehearsing for their appearance in the Veiled Prophet Parade, Saturday, Sept. 28.

Concert Choir, Band, the Pom Pom girls and the majorettes will all contribute to this year's theme, *Music Is For Everyone*.

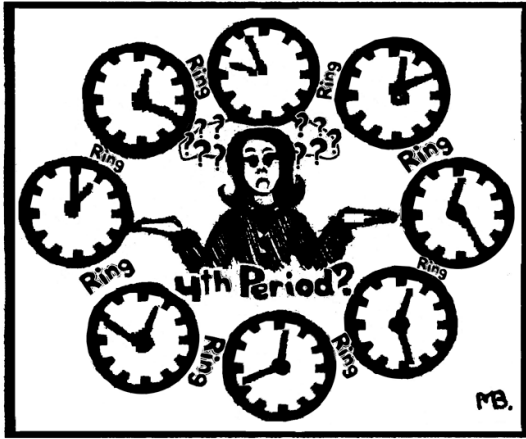
Other SW representatives include the Early Risers, the SC, and the Lettermen's Club officers, who will ride with the VP Krewe.

In the Wind

Quiz On

- Sept. 28, 5:00 Scholarquiz on KMOX-TV—SW VS Washington, Mo.
- Sept. 28, 7:00 . . . V.P. Parade—SW will participate
- Sept. 30, Oct. 1 & 2 . . . Sr. Chest X-Rays
- Oct. 4 . . . Double aud session for Hello Day
- Oct. 4, 7:30 . . . S.C. sponsored Hello Day Dance
- Oct. 8, 12:45 . . . Freshmen Mother's Luncheon
- Oct. 9 & 10 . . . DAT testing for Freshmen all day
- Oct. 15, Period 6 . . . Freshmen Orientation in Cafeteria
- Oct. 15, 7:30 . . . PTA meeting

Police seek for understanding



Overlapping helps

Each new school year generally offers a new plan to be used in some phase of school life. This year's plan is the six-period day. At Southwest, the administration has attempted, with much success, to produce a program which is simple, workable and confusionless. Yet, as with all new programs, all of the bugs were not cleaned out. Some of them can't be.

An outstanding problem has been the lunch period. Southwest's plan of four, over-lapping periods is unique among the city schools. While the others are dividing the fourth period into three 25-minute periods, SW's over-lapping plan allows the students more time to eat than anywhere else in the city.

There is no way to lengthen this 34-minute lunch period short of extending the school day, as state regulations require minimum class lengths.

However, student co-operation can provide more efficient cafeteria service. Every dish that is not returned to the kitchen does not get cleaned in time for someone else to use it. Every time the kitchen runs out of dishes for serving food, the lines are held up. Every time the lines are slowed because of this service problem, someone loses eating time.

Likewise, dirty places at the tables take up space which could be used by people who must find other seats.

Lunch service can be efficient — with student co-operation. It only takes a clean cafeteria.

Pioneer tells goals

Like every good newspaper Pioneer has many challenging goals to achieve this year.

One of Pioneer's objects is to help students with their problems. For this, a series of interviews with important people is planned.

SC officers will be interviewed to make all students more active and aware of events around school. Sometimes SC officers will write columns in the paper. As always Pioneer will strive to bring honor to SW, and promote the achievements of the students and faculty.

Since the paper travels to all parts of the state and nation, better public relations always needs to be attained. New areas of leadership may be established and new ideas can be put into action for the benefit of all.

Then too, Pioneer wants to encourage students to take pride in their school so that school spirit will increase. The staff hopes to make the former O'Fallon students feel welcome here and to include them as an important part of the school.

Pioneer will endeavor to keep the high ratings achieved in the past. Cheap gossip columns which tend to lower ratings will be avoided. The '68-'69 staff wants to bring new honors to SW, not to lower standards in any way which would reflect on SW's good name.

With everyone's cooperation these goals will be reached and both Pioneer and SW will reach new heights of achievement.

Attempting to convey to the community the exact role of the Police Department and its need for community support was summarized by Officer Charles Stegman as the major function of Police-Community Relations during an interview conducted at the Hampton Avenue Department on Tuesday, Sept. 17.

Officer Stegman is the 2nd District's Police-Community Relations Officer, and he was examining a film which he planned to show parents at one of the 2nd District schools.

According to Officer Stegman and Captain Molloy, the juvenile problem in the 2nd District is the lowest in the city. This indicates the great strides which the police and community have already made. But, the full potential of Police-Community Relations is far from having been reached. The days of the policeman-on-the-beat are gone, and with the advent of the policeman-in-the-car, a gap in the

closeness of communication between the officer and the citizen, the Police-Department and the Community, has developed

Films help

As he talked, Officer Stegman looked at the film he was going to show that evening. His entire schedule was filled with similar appointments: to show a narcotics film to a parent-teachers meeting, and to show high school students a film on traffic safety at an aud session . . . to distribute pamphlets about Crime Deterrence to students . . . to establish a Police-Community Relations Youth Council in hopes of stimulating an interest in law enforcement.

Yet many of those he seeks to reach will not be reached at all. Many parents will not come to the meeting. Most high school students have other things on their minds. Too many of the pamphlets become litter; are dropped on the walk, or left in a book forever. Too often, only a few schools take the Youth Council seriously. These represent only a minority of the community.

It happens because "People are too busy. People don't care," said Officer Stegman.

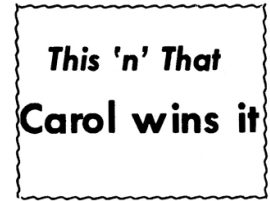
Understanding needed

One thing that would help would be to set up a better understanding between police and citizens. The result would be more efficient law enforcement in the community. To do this, citizens must understand the role of police.

The police are powerless to provide lasting enforcement unless citizens overcome their apathy and reluctance to prosecute. A law, obliging companies to pay employees for time spent in court, is being advocated by many organizations throughout the country, and this would help the situation. Also, the exact role of the policeman needs to be spelled out for the community.

The policeman's role is to enforce

But even if a law is bad, the policeman must not allow his own conscience to alter his actions. He is a member of the community who is under oath to enforce every law. The policeman's job is not an easy one, and it deserves more respect than it has received lately.



Carol Carpenter, June '65, was awarded a scholarship by Theta Sigma Phi, Women's Journalism Fraternity. She will use the \$500 to attend University of Denver where she is majoring in journalism.

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Madge Stewart, June '68 graduate, has been honored by having her drawing selected for the 1968 Veiled Prophet Parade. Her sketch, "Modern Music", will be the theme for the designing and decorating of a float in the VP Parade.

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Janieal Schulte, June '67 graduate, and Mary Weidner, June '68 graduate, have had art work in the International School Art Exhibit.

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Bruce Thomas, June '67 graduate, is now serving in Viet Nam as a member of the Green Beret. He was co-editor of the Southwest Pioneer in 1967.

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Judy Johnston, June '65 graduate, and Skip Kolb, June '63 graduate, were married this summer. Judy, a former cheer-leader for Southwest, also served on Student Council in 1964.

Here's tips for all Frosh

Freshmen through the years have been very susceptible to the wiles of upper classmen. As one senior put it, "You can sell them anything and everything . . . from lunchroom and elevator passes to season passes for the swimming pool."

One senior still remembers the time he sold a list telling what to do to get good grades from certain teachers. Unfortunately for the freshman, it didn't work out. More recently, another freshman innocently bought a pass good for unlimited butter pats.

Upper classmen are fond of another trick. They tell the freshmen that certain colors of trays in the cafeteria are for only juniors and seniors. Most freshmen are now wise, but unless they stay alert, some enterprising senior may still catch them off guard.

SWerners comment on six-period day

by Barb Kerr

Confusion has always reigned during the first week at school at SW, especially for the freshman. However, the freshman have company in their bewilderment this year.

Because of the new six-period day, freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors alike are having problems in trying to adjust. The new system inspired these comments from SW'ers:

Carolyn Specking, semester 1 — "I ended up in the wrong lunch period, so I had two lunch periods and three wrong classes."

David Kinast, semester 3 — "I don't like the lunch period. It's too short."

Bill Wendell, semester 5 — "The six-period day's not so bad. The classes aren't that much longer . . . and there are only six periods instead of eight."

Nancy Jones, semester 7 — "The day went more quickly, but it took time to adjust."

Danny Siefert, semester 7 — "If you aren't at the beginning of the line at lunch, you don't have time to eat."

Debbie Gottschalk, semester 3 — "Weren't we supposed to be able to study at the end of the period?"

Keith Wilson, semester 3 — "I like the six-period day. It gives me more time to study in class."

Cathy Carneal, semester 7 — "Nobody knows when to go to lunch. Yesterday Nancy Turley got up right in the middle of a study hall when a bell rang, because she thought it was her lunch period. That was pretty funny."

Lisa Pagano, semester 7 — "The reason I don't like the six-period day is that it makes everyone nervous. You don't get a chance to talk to anyone."

Debbie Welborn, semester 5 — "I don't like the A-period starting at quarter-to-eight. Besides not being able to see straight, I can't catch a bus."

George Careklas, semester 7 (very sadly) — "They shouldn't have done it to the seniors. I have a question. Couldn't they have waited till next year to think up the six-period day?"

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Students are busy at pools 'n hospitals during '68 summer

Lifeguards, Candy Strippers, secretaries, models . . . these are just a few of the many jobs SW students held this summer.

Mary Bockesch worked as a lifeguard at Heman Park. She remarked that someone almost drowned only once during the whole summer. Marcia Spitz worked at the concession stands at the zoo. Robert Rathburn was also employed there.

Becky Schilling has been working at Boyd's as a fashion board member since August. Each Saturday the board members are allowed to select an outfit to model that day. Becky will also do spot commercials for Boyd's on KXOK.

Hospital volunteers

Red Cross workers included Charlotte Coble and Diane Bell. Candy Strippers were Debbie Hopdin at Incarnate Word Hospital, Paula Stacy at Firmin Desloge Hospital, Kim Planje at St. Anthony's Hospital, Joanne Gutjahr and Joan Meyers at Children's Hospital, and Janis Parentin and Mary Bante at Barnes Hospital. Other hospital volunteers included Marlene Bates and Brenda Peters. Dennis Weiser worked at the State Hospital in a mental ward.

Directory Distributors Associates employed Kathleen Heil as a secretary this summer. Laura Thompson served as secretary of the Yates-Stevens Ford Mustang Club.

Diane Andonopoulos, a freshman from Mrs. Medley's advisory did volunteer work in the gift shop at the Academy of Science and Natural History in Clayton.

YMCA jobs

The South Side YMCA employed David Williams and Joy Hiller, who

worked as junior staff members there. Linda Hilgendorf, a senior from Mr. Nebel's advisory, was a lifeguard and taught swimming at the YMCA.

Lynn Niemeyer of Miss Godwin's group participated in Playground '68 this summer. In this program, Lynn worked with children from the South Broadway area, along with a Vista volunteer.

Camp sponsored

A day camp sponsored by Caroline Mission was held at Francis Park, also. Ed Schainker and Sue Rainer worked with the age four to twelve group for six weeks. A day spent at the zoo and Fun Fair Park (sponsored by the Lion's Club) was one of the highlights for these children.

One of the most unusual jobs held by a SW student was Ed Gibson's. He laid asphalt for the Missouri Highway Department this summer.

Security guard talks

by Barb Brunkhorst

"It seems like I've come back home." This statement was made by Mr. Erwin Vogel, SW's own security guard.

Mr. Vogel says he enjoys working in south St. Louis where he has lived all his life. Mr. Vogel transferred to SW from his security guard job at Ford Community School. Previous to that, he was a retired railway mail clerk for the Post Office.

Although Mr. Vogel's duties include checking for fire, vandalism, theft and rowdism, he feels having a friendly relationship with students is just as important.

Twenty-eight students from SW toured Washington this summer under the supervision of Mr. Ecker and his wife. During their stay, they visited Arlington Cemetery, President Kennedy's grave, Smithsonian Institute, Washington Monument, and Lincoln Memorial. From there, they went to New York where they visited the United Nations and the Empire State Building. A good time was had by all who participated.

Southwest's junior counselor, Mrs. Schultz ventured to Europe this summer. Of the countries visited, she found Israel the most fascinating, for it combined the elements of the frontier and the culture of the old world. In Italy, she was amazed at the picturesque beauty of Florence and the canals of Venice. This surpassed all her expectations.

Learning about the culture of the Far East this summer was Miss Guenther. She toured the floating markets of Bangkok, shrines and temples of Kyoto, Japan, and saw classical Thai dancing in Thailand. She remarked that each place was



LOOKING PRETTY FOR THE CAMERA IN FRONT OF THE CAPITAL on their big eastern trip to Washington, Arlington and New York are (from left) Mark Messina, Ed Gibson, Kent Bippen, Sue Curran, Mac Evans and Gary Verdin.

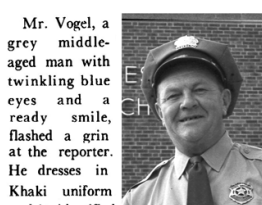
interesting because each had its own charm. At the close of her trip she visited the beautiful island of Oahu in Hawaii.

Other travelers during the summer were Donna Garret and Nick Zotos who went to California and Emine Tanirover who went to France. Charles Box toured Canada, Randi Reed visited Mammoth Cave in Kentucky, and the senior girl scouts took a safari. Mrs. Morrissey spent some time on a Texas ranch.

Mrs. Morrissey, Pioneer sponsor, visited the Bar-Lo Ranch in the Texas panhandle. The ranch was home for 2000 pure bred hereford, and from among them, the prize bull sold for \$25,000. Another interesting fact about the ranch is that prehistoric bones of animals and Indians have been discovered and turned over to the Smithsonian Institute in Washington D.C.

Sue Yeager vacationed in Pittsburg for a week and visited the University of Pittsburg campus, as well as other sites around the city.

Graduates Jean Riemann and Doris Speck, and senior Kim Plange were sailing on a schooner on the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of Connecticut for a week. The trip came through the Mariners to which the girls belong. Boston and Newport were also included in the tour.



MR. E. VOGEL

Mr. Vogel commented, "I think the kids are wonderful. They've really cooperated so far."

SW roundup spots people and places

Summer wasn't the usual dull time for many SW students.

Nick Zotos, August Favazza, and Dave Wilkerson; all semester sevens, represented SW at Boys State in Warrenburg, Mo. from June 17th to the 21st.

The program, a course in practical political science, included talks by such Missouri government officials as County Supervisor Lawrence K. Roos. In mock elections, Nick was elected a mayor and August and Dave, councilmen. The offices were earned by campaigning, as in a real election.

SW participants in Girls State, held on the campus of Stephens College at Columbia, Mo., were Barb Brunkhorst, Jeanne Daniels, and Jan Hering, semester sevens.

The girls studied political science, held mock elections and trials, and did early morning exercises. The course, which lasted from June 16th to the 21st, also included guest speakers. Both Boys and Girls State were for Missouri students only.

A new display case has become a part of SW tradition. This case, which is located in the new lobby, was given to SW by the Senior Class of 1967. The case is divided into three sections, each with a special purpose.



PLANNING CASE are (from left) Marilyn Wilds, Kris Keaton, Tammy Speis and Rowley Warner.

The first section will commend academic work by listing the names of straight A and H students. Section two will cover athletic scholarship by carrying the names of outstanding athletes of the week or of the season. In the third section all coming SW events will be posted.

The contents of the case will be kept up to date by a student council committee.

A grease fire at the Crestwood Terrace Lounge was the cause of a nearly fatal accident for Bob Chavez, on July 13.

Bob was a graduate of the class of '68 and the co-captain of the cross-country team last year. He was a

worker in the place of the accident when, because of a shorted wire, the grease in the deep-fryer ignited. As it was thrown out, Bob was seriously burned. He has been in the hospital since then.

Selected members of the SW Concert Choir and Senior Band participated in the Salute to Youth, a program at Kiel Convention Hall on August 30th in honor of the Junior Olympics. The twenty-one Concert Choir members, along with choir members from other high schools, sang under the direction of Miss Helen L. Graves. The twenty-five SW Senior Band members also performed with other high school bands.

Janial Schutte '67 and Mary Weidner '68, graduates of Southwest, have had art works selected for exhibition in the Midwestern and Western areas of the International School Art Exhibit. Janial and Mary were advanced art students and had their works entered in the competition by Mrs. Davis.

Kathy Kenny who was feature editor for Pioneer in June 1967 has recently become the editor of the Harris Collegian at Harris Teachers College here in St. Louis.

Sue Ranier and Kim Plange also went on a canoeing trip on the Current River in south Missouri for a week. They camped with their group on the river banks.

Sue Ranier visited Chicago with her church group for four days, and then spent two weeks at Camp Miniwane near Stony Lake, Michigan.

PTA watches SW activities

To inform parents of SW activities, PTA planned this year's activities around the theme "Show Me SW."

At each annual meeting, some facet of the school will be featured. Performing at the first meeting Sept. 17, were the cheerleaders, Pom Pon girls and an instrumental combo.

The second meeting, Oct. 8, will be the Freshmen Mothers' Luncheon. After a brief welcome, the mothers will eat lunch in the cafeteria. Students will then give them a tour of the building.

Other highlights for this year will be the tours of the library and the Home Economics department. Open House, which is planned for Nov. 19, will include a teaser from the operetta.

Hello day visits farm

"Down at the Farm" will be the theme of SW's Hello Day, October 4.

The annual welcome to freshman will include the traditional program held in the SW auditorium during the morning. Farm characters will be represented by SC officers Auggie Favazza, Steve Ratajczyk, Jeanne Daniels, Barb Brunkhorst, Liz Dubis and Fred Reineke serving as Mcs for the session. The program will include vocals, novelties, and instrumentals by SW'ers. Winners of the Pioneer contest will be announced and contestants for the Miss SW title will be presented.

That night there will be a Hello Day dance featuring "The Spirit of St. Louis". The dance to be held in the new gym for the first time will be

from 7:30 to 10:15. Tickets may be bought in advance from SC members or in advisory for 75 cents.

SC president Auggie Favazza said he hopes to have an hour-long program this year.

"However, the program will be lengthened or shortened according to the talent seen at tryouts," said Auggie plainly.

Tryouts were held September 18, 19, and 20, with vocals, novelties and dance acts, and instrumentals auditioning in that order. These acts were selected by a SC committee, SC officers and five teachers acting as advisers.



FOOTBALL LONGHORNS CHARGE after fumble near thirty-yard line during third-period action in the season opener against Vianney. The ball is recovered by Southwest as the referees check the action. Only Southwest player identifiable is number 50, Bob Faulkner.

CAC champs win

Vianney overthrows SW 20-7

Vianney's Golden Griffins defeated the Southwest football Longhorns 20-7 in a non-league contest on September 15th, at SW.

The Steers obviously missed their first-string quarter-back Ted Brazell, because the offense had troubles moving the ball against the tight Vianney defense. Meanwhile, the opposition broke the scoring ice with a Vianney fullback taking a handoff up the middle good for six points. The extra point attempt was no good.

From there, the Steers had to play catch-up football, but before they got on the scoreboard, the Golden Griffins hit pay dirt again. This time a sideline pass to an end provided the C.A.C. champs with a 13-0 lead.

Joe Nolan, receiving the ball deep in SW territory, on the following kick-off, broke away from the Griffins. He scampered all the way to the Vianney

ten-yard line before he was brought down from behind. This set up a fine touchdown situation, which the Steers cashed in on, as Ron Gielow hit Craig Sherzer with a TD pass. The half ended with the Steers trailing 13-7.

In the second half, Southwest was stopped cold, but the Griffins added another touchdown in the third quarter.

Steers triumph

Longhorns evened their non-league record when they upended the Beaumont Blue Jackets 14-13, on September 21st, in a home contest.

In the past two years SW was always the victim of come from behind victories by the Blue Jackets, but this time it was the other way around. Beaumont jumped out in front with touchdown by Vernell Evans on a three-yard run, and made the score 7-0 when they ran for the extra point.

Longhorns stomp Huskie harriers for first victory

SW harriers defeated Ritenour 20-36 in the season opener at O'Fallon Park on Friday 13th.

Co-captain Steve Wilson's winning time of 10:33 set the pace for the other 50 participants. Following him across the finish line six seconds later was the other newly-elected co-captain Steve Ratajczyk.

The Huskies' leading runner, Duke James, finished third, followed by SW's Al Buchrucker and Bruce Vierheller. Rounding out the top ten were three Ritenour runners placing sixth, seventh, and ninth, while SW's Steve Stillwell finished eighth, and Tim Varner, tenth.

Leading freshman-sophomore runners included Gary Wood, Vince Larusso, Joe Collins and Bob Aker, SW's Coach Wallach was pleased with the team's good performance in spite of the hot weather.

Other SW contenders in this non-league meet included Tony Pisoni, Vince LaRusso, Joe Collins, Ken Tate, and Dave Owens.

Cheerleaders from both schools were also present to cheer their runners.

Southwest opens its league competition against Cleveland today at Forest Park at 4 p.m. The team will be trying for its fifth consecutive Cross-Country title.

Mr. Wallach, who is in his third season as Cross-Country coach expects the most competition in the PHL from

last year's runner-up. Vashon. He also looks for a strong showing from Kirkwood, McCluer, St. Louis U. and Hazelwood in non-league events.

The team has been practicing daily in Forest and Tower Grove Parks. Their spirit is high as reflected by Steve Ratajczyk's, "We're going to state."

When asked the possibilities of a league title, Coach Wallach replied, "I think we'll be a contender."

Fall sports coaches are getting set

Football season is upon us. Coaches Gladstone and Radford are once again sweating and worrying over their respective teams.

Mr. Graham, who came from O'Fallon, is assisting Mr. Radford in coaching B Football in place of Mr. Tucker. Mr. Tucker left to coach at Harris Teachers College. Mr. Graham said that, although the team has no experience at quarterback and in the backfield, if the team wants to win badly enough, they will.

Coach Gladstone, assisted by Mr. Murdock is back for his eighth year of coaching Varsity Football. He stated, "We will have a better team than last year if there are no injuries and everyone stays in good form."

Coach Wallach's Cross-country team is also in the running. Asked his opinion of the team, he said, "They have potential." Kirkwood, McClure, St. Louis U., Lindbergh and Hazelwood will be tough," he says. However, he is confident the team will do well.



G.A.A. Basketball is off to a new and peppy start. On Tuesday, September 17, organization of the club took place under the supervision of Miss Burgett. Officers were elected from six girls nominated last year, and team captains were chosen. The following Friday afternoon teams were selected at a meeting of the team captains.

Girls wishing to serve as G.A.A. basketball officials met after school on September 10. Results of the test were tabulated and posted in the New Girls Gym. These girls serve as referees, scorers, and timers at all G.A.A. games.

On Wednesday, September 11, girls hockey organized under the leadership of Mrs. Lampros. Practice will be held every Thursday night after school in Tower Grove Park. Games will be played after school during the week and on Saturday morning at Forest Park.

Cheerleaders train

SW's 1968-69 cheerleaders practiced long hours this summer in order to coordinate their performance of cheers for all SW games.

Summer practice began June 23-28 when senior cheerleaders Vicki Allen, Phyllis Bowman, Jeanill Eyerman, Jeanne Daniels, Liz Dubis, Marilyn Brodrick, Becky Schilling, and

Marilyn Wilds attended a cheerleaders clinic at ISU in Normal. Sponsored by the National Cheerleaders Association, this camp was one of many held all over the country.

The girls were instructed by ten National Cheerleaders in mass cheers, pon pon routines, pep rallies, and songs; they were taught 14 new cheers and four routines alone. Lectures were also presented in crowd psychology, cheering techniques, and sportsmanship.

Also, two special projects were planned for the girls. Several girls, including Vicki Allen, modeled various cheering uniforms at one session. A mock pep rally was held, too. The SW cheerleaders were responsible for organizing and leading the pep rally for one of the imaginary schools.

The afternoons were devoted to practice, for competition was held each night. SW girls brought home a third-place ribbon. They were also presented with the most coveted award of each night—the Spirit Stick.

Every night during July and August, all ten girls then learned and perfected SW's own cheers. Newly-elected co-captains Vicki Allen and Jeanill Eyerman and sponsor Mrs. Davies now look forward to many SW football games and CC meets.



MR. GERBER RECEIVES CONGRATULATIONS from Mr. Hatfield as Mr. Young looks on. SW's first outdoor pep session brought rousing enthusiasm from both cheerleaders and students.

New type of pep rally held

SW has outside aud

For the first time in the school's history, a pep session was held outside of the school building on Sept. 12th.

The event, which was highlighted by the presentation of the All-Sports Trophy by Mr. Hatfield, was held on the athletic field. Seating the entire school was no problem as all of the students watched the unique program from the spacious stands.

The first part of the pep rally dealt with the presentation of the three championship trophies. Mr. Young accepted the tennis trophy, while Joe Nolan and Ted Brazell accepted the baseball trophy. Following it, the All-

Sports Trophy was presented to Mr. Gerber, athletic director of SW.

Following the presentations, Mr. Wallach introduced his championship Cross-Country squad, as his team showed off its running ability in the middle of the field. Then Mr. Gladstone exhibited his football team in full uniform. The football Longhorns then demonstrated a few of their offense plays to the crowd.

The pep session was accented by the spirit displayed by the cheerleaders, who were wearing new uniforms. Contributing to the lively atmosphere was the band's music and the routines of the Pom-Pom girls.

Sports Schedule

Football

- Sept. 28 Roosevelt here
- Oct. 5 Central at O'Fallon
- Oct. 12 Northwest here

Cross Country

- Sept. 27 Cleveland at Forest Park*
- Oct. 1 Central at Forest Park*
- Oct. 2 Hazelwood at Hazelwood
- Oct. 4 Northwest at O'Fallon Park*
- Oct. 5 Southwest Inv.
- Oct. 8 Beaumont at O'Fallon Park*
- Oct. 9 Southside Inv. at Carondolet Park
- Oct. 11 Beaumont Inv. at O'Fallon Park
- Oct. 15 Roosevelt at Forest Park*

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