



ALTERNATE MAURICE GRANT, Roland Smith, David Millman and Andre Collier: some of the members of Newsquiz Team practice.

photo by Kendrick Kendall

Team Faces Test Against McCluer

by Tim Schoenecker

Who is the Secretary-General of the United Nations? What six Republican candidates for President recently debated in Iowa? How many Russian troops are estimated to be in Afghanistan? These are just examples of current event questions that four Southwest seniors will be asked when they face a team from McCluer High on Channel 5's Newsquiz.

Over a dozen students were recommended by teachers to try out for the team and after a few weeks' preparation, the squad was trimmed to the required four. They are seniors, Andre Collier, David Millman, Deno Pashos and Roland Smith. The two alternates, Maurice Grant and Paul Sleet, are also seniors. Sponsor Marcella Milic had also been the sponsor of Southwest's Scholar Quiz team during that show's last

few years.

On Newsquiz's last telecast, aired December 22, Kennedy High defeated DuBourg. The questions on each show are divided into several categories such as international, national, bi-state, and people and places.

David Millman, who will be making his first television appearance, said, "The prospect of being on television frightens me, but I am looking forward to the challenge."

Team members are fairly optimistic about their chances of defeating McCluer. Deno Pashos stated, "I feel confident that we'll win due to the fact that all four of us follow current events closely."

The show featuring Southwest vs. McCluer will be telecast Sunday, January 27, at 5:00 P.M. on Channel 5.

Seniors Allowed Off Campus

by Judy Lehr

In November of 1979, members of the Senior Board, Student Council, and Pioneer staff met with Principal Marvin O. Koenig. They requested that the seniors be given the off-campus lunch privilege. Various methods and procedures were suggested.

Since that meeting, Koenig has gained approval for a program from area superintendent, Dr. Rufus Young, Jr., with the stipulation that the program have parent and teacher approval.

Many teachers felt the seniors were entitled to a special privilege. It would allow seniors the opportunity to socialize in a different atmosphere. Other teachers accepted the plan considering the fact that many seniors leave school anyway for lunch because of their participation in the DECA and Co-op programs.

Along with the positive reasons stated in favor of the program were some negative responses. In-school lunch is more convenient for groups such as Senior Board and Student Council because students can be found more easily. Possibilities of students abusing the privilege by returning tardy for class or simply not returning at all can exist in an off-campus program.

After pros and cons were considered, the majority of teachers gave their approval but recommended that the students receiving this special privilege have "decent grades".

Once Koenig received the teachers' approval, he made his decision. Any senior, providing he does not have any D's or F's on the last semester report card and does have a signed parental per-

mission slip, will be able to leave the school for lunch on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays beginning February 5. I.D.'s will be specially marked to identify the qualified students.

When senior Eugene West received the news, he commented, "I'm glad. We should have been able to go out to lunch a long time ago because they promised us that three years ago."

Senior Class sponsor, Ray Feick predicted the feelings of the Class of '80 by saying, "They'll eat it up." He continued on a more serious note by adding, "I'm very happy that we are finally allowing our seniors to show some responsibility. I hope all seniors treat that responsibility with proper dignity."

Koenig made it quite clear that

Zych Campaigns Here

by Roland Smith

State Representative Thomas Zych's December 18th visit to Henry Tepe's Government I class had a twofold purpose: 1) to answer any questions the students had about politics and government, and 2) to introduce himself as a candidate and seek support in his race for president of the St. Louis Board of Aldermen.

Zych began by explaining the function of the office he seeks: "The aldermanic board president presides over the 28-member Board of Aldermen, whose responsibility it is to pass or set city ordinances, and is one of three members of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, which supervises the city budget."

He continued by telling of his

The faculty at Southwest has been complimented by the addition of seven new staff members. This diverse group consists of two math teachers, one art teacher, one science teacher, and one counselor; also included in the group are two resource persons.

At Southwest, the resource person's job is that of tutoring. In addition, because of certain state requirements, there are a lot of forms to be filled out which keep the instructors quite busy.

The two resource persons are Ms. Magnolia Norman and Ms. Elizabeth Bagsby. They both are graduates of Harris Stowe Teachers College and tutor students in both math and reading. They are set up in room 210 and work very closely with Mr. Grant of the administration.

Ms. Norman has established a rapport with the staff and the faculty. She was pleased with the reception given to her by the faculty, expressing it as being "very warm."

The new faces in the Mathematics Department are Ms. Sharon James and Ms. Janet Piskulic.

Ms. James previously taught at Walnut Park Elementary School.

all seniors must use good judgement. If the privilege is abused, it will be revoked. However, John Clements, the Senior Class President, confidently replied, "The decision to let us go out is a big step forward, and I'm sure the seniors won't let us down."

This "big step" may best be described as an experiment. Koenig stated, "I hope that this trial semester will be successful so that future senior classes will have that opportunity the second semester."

As the seniors looked forward to February 5, and as the juniors kept their fingers crossed, Koenig concluded, "I'm looking forward to it working. I think the students are capable of making it work."

background as a State Representative for the 100th district, having been first elected in 1974, and having served as Vice-Chairman of the House Labor Committee for the past four years. He has personally negotiated pay raises for local police and firemen.

When asked how he got involved in politics, Zych listed dissatisfaction with the incumbent's position on abortion and aid-to-education (public and private) as among chief reasons prompting his run for office.

Zych said his campaign for the upcoming election would cost about \$70,000. He also said that winning elections has become

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SW Receives New Teachers

by David Millman

At Southwest she is teaching three Basic Algebra classes and two Math Labs. Despite the change from teaching many subjects at Walnut Park to just teaching math at Southwest, Ms. James feels very little difference. "It's basically the same, probably due to the large number of freshmen in the classes I teach."

Ms. Piskulic does notice a difference from her former occupation. She was an administrator at Cleveland High before coming here and finds that she is "getting to know the kids again." She teaches Math Labs 101 and 202, and Basic Algebra.

Mr. Scott Meckler has brought his artistic talents to Southwest from Soldan High where he had taught for the last three years. Presently he teaches the Crafts

and Ceramic classes and is happy with the supplies that are available here.

Science students taking either the IBS Biology or Biology classes may have become acquainted with Ms. Montye Suggs. She previously taught at Stix and then at Cleveland. She believes that it is quite different at Southwest, "especially the administration."

The new face among the counselors is that of Ms. Patricia Stegall. Ms. Stegall had previously counseled at Enright Middle, a ninth grade center. According to sophomore Michelle Price, who had the pleasure of having Ms. Stegall as a counselor at Enright Middle, "Ms. Stegall is a great counselor." She also thanks Ms. Stegall for helping her transfer to Southwest.



SENIOR TRACEE DAVIS works as a radio producer at JVL.
photo by Greg Finch

Media Center Successful

by Roland Smith

The Jeff-Vander-Lou Communications Center is located at 2593 Martin Luther King Drive. The center provides training for high school students interested in careers in various forms of communications media such as radio, motion pictures, photography and television production. The name Jeff-Vander-Lou refers to the neighborhood bounded by Jefferson, Vandeventer and St. Louis Avenues. The center's coordinator is Betty Lee, publisher of award-winning Proud magazine.

The center's success as a summer project led to its expansion into a year-round school at which students attend for a half-day five days a week. Southwest students attending the school are junior Joe Cleghorn and seniors Tracee Davis, Greg Finch and Tony Watson.

Cleghorn, who studies radio broadcasting at the center, says his education there began with

learning the rudiments of basic journalism and learning the laws passed by the Federal Communications Commission, the government agency that regulates the electronic media.

The second quarter, according to Cleghorn, has focused on the technical aspects of the radio broadcasting industry and on qualifying for a second class FCC broadcasting license. He adds that upon leaving the center he will be sufficiently prepared for his in-

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What's Happening

- Feb. 5 Senior off-campus lunch begins
- Feb. 6 APT Board meeting 12:30, room 215
- Feb. 14 Valentine distribution
- Feb. 18 Washington's Birthday - No classes
- Feb. 20 Senior cap and gown re-order

Lodderhose Wins Contest

by Tom Regan

If, like this writer, you have trouble drawing bath water, envy Bill Lodderhose. While only eighteen, the Southwest senior has already won numerous awards (and cash) for his prowess in the arts.

A student at this school would have to walk around with eyes closed to avoid at least seeing Bill's name. He has designed six buttons, several shirts and more than one oporetta program for Southwest in addition to helping paint the mural on Kemper Street and a few backdrops for plays and oporetas. Visit the Esquire, and you'll notice a huge design in the walkway to the parking lot, courtesy of Bill Lodderhose. With all this action, his art work would have to bring him some money.

"No, I don't have time to make money" (from his artwork) said Bill. "Right now I'm working on my college portfolio in Honors Art."

He has almost no time to make money. Recently Bill placed first in the Missouri Conservation Department's statewide contest to design a bumper sticker. In addition to a \$50 prize, Bill also won something else. This story on him in the *Pioneer*.

Bill's first recognized accomplishment in art came in the eighth grade. He won an honorable mention in the Saint Louis Christmas Carolers Association poster contest. Bill kept busy sketching all through grade school.

"In grade school I used to draw

pictures for my family and friends. I used to get into trouble for drawing and not paying attention in class," said Bill.

Today, Bill belongs to the Honors Art program, is an illustrator for *Pioneer*, and just placed in an art competition that could bring him a scholarship or two, not bad for something he used to get into trouble for.

OK, Bill since this is your moment in the limelight, (Hey, not just anybody gets a feature story on himself) we at *Pioneer* will grant you your chance to send a message to the world. Have you anything to say?

"Yes. While gliding through the world of reality, make sure you don't fall out of the sidecar of your unknown utopia."

Who says artists aren't weird?



Winter Happenings

by Lisa Gentilini

Once upon a time, not so long ago, in a land, not so far away, dwelled a person of no importance. So let's forget about him and start another story.

Many people find the winter season to be boring and bothersome. "There's nothing to do when it's cold and snowing," is the common complaint.

Boulderdash and poppycock! There are many things to do in the winter, for example: sledding, ice-skating, snowperson building, snowball fights, shoveling, pushing cars, sprinkling salt, scraping ice off of cars, etc.

Winter has something for everyone.

For those who are "laid-back" and lazy, try standing in the snow in your underwear, then you'll catch the flu or pneumonia and you can lie in bed for 3 weeks.

For the daring, outgoing (and stupid) person, there's the popular roller-disco on ice. This is guaranteed to put you at the top of your peers or at the top of the critical list!

For the shy, quiet type, there's

the annual "Keep a Shy Person Warm Contest," held on any corner. This may also be of interest to those who aren't very shy.

Now for the outspoken loud-mouth, you can hold your very own "Start an Avalanche" crusade to close down the building of your choice until spring.

For those who love to hear the marvelous sounds of nature, winter is an excellent time to listen. Listen to that sultry sound of chains jangling on car tires, the delicate, petite sound of salt hitting the ice and snow, the grinding, rubbing sound of salt hitting your car, or the very favorite (and rare) sound heard over many radio and television stations, "All St. Louis Public Schools will be closed," or even the sound of many outspoken loudmouths starting avalanches!

For those who are creative, imaginative and original, think up your own ideas!

So when someone tells you that winter is boring, simply hand them this article and tell them to use their imaginations!

Honors Art: Fine Opportunity

by Lisa Burton

In 1968 Art consultant for the Saint Louis Public Schools, Dr. Marie Larkin, began developing an art school that would give instruction in the history of art and gallery management. She had visited a school of this type in New York and was very impressed by it. Feeling that a school of this type was needed very much, she decided to put the plan into action. The first school was in the Shaw School building and proved quite successful. In 1978 it was transferred to McKinley High School and the courses were changed from art history and gallery management to crafts and the studio arts. Ther program is presently being held at Longfellow School.

The classes presently offered are photography and cinematography, textiles, metalsmithing, printmaking, design and ceramics; honors music which will start next

fall. Each course carries two credits and is an hour and a half in length.

Mrs. Cameron, photography instructor, feels that there is an excellent staff. "The instructors are mostly specialists in the classes that they teach and some are professionals."

Right now the classes are relatively small in size and more students are being encouraged to join, especially underclassmen. The earlier one enters the program, the more time he will have to perfect a portfolio. Portfolios are used for various competitions, obtaining scholarships and fellowships.

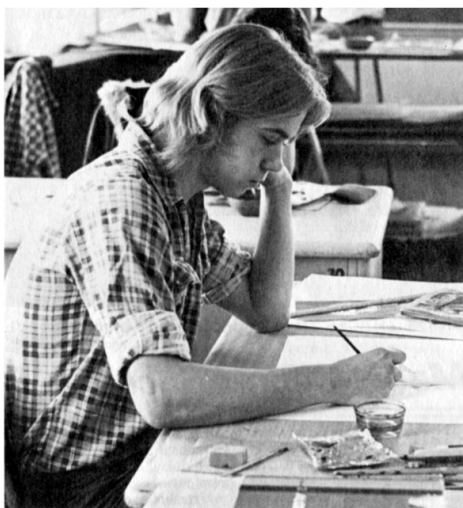
Honors Art isn't a typical classroom experience. Students have much more freedom which allows for more expression. There is a certain amount of maturity that is required upon the part of the

student.

Several of the students feel that the program has been very beneficial. Senior Doc Netterville stated, "The program has let me experiment and discover new things."

Greg Evers, a junior, commented, "The facilities are very well equipped, I like the freedom, and would recommend anyone to come who is interested in art." Greg also commented that a great disadvantage to it all is that there is no transportation provided.

Honors Art is an excellent program for students interested in the fine arts. It exposes students to classes which they wouldn't get the opportunity to experience in a public school, which does not emphasize art. For those students interested in preparing a portfolio for college, this is a great opportunity to start.



JUNIOR NOBLE FOSTER participates in the Honors Art Program.
photo by Greg Finch

J.R.R. Tolkien's Epic Fantasy

A Review

by Mike McConnell and Mike Walker with David Peppmiller

Three titles (*The Fellowship of the Ring*, *The Two Towers*, and *The Return of the King*) represent an amazingly popular trilogy, better known as *The Lord of the Rings*. A casual survey taken by the *Pioneer* revealed that this "epic fantasy" is a favorite among Southwest students.

The basic plot of the trilogy is to destroy the One Ring, a ring which has the ability, assisted by the wizard Sauron, to dominate the world with evil power. The ring passes to several people. After falling from the evil lord, Sauron, the ring finally reaches Frodo, a young hobbit. Frodo learns of the ring's evil power which leads him to believe that the only way to save Middle-Earth is to destroy the ring by throwing it into the "fire mountain." Thus, the quest begins. The trek is heightened in suspense by several adventures, such as the trip through Mirkwood by Frodo and his companions, and the Great War to prevent Sauron from attaining the ring before Frodo can destroy it.

The epic trilogy has become the most popular literary work for several reasons. The books themselves attract all readers of

fiction. Within the trilogy, there are elements of romance, mystery, adventure, comedy, drama, and fantasy integrated so harmoniously that distinction between the forms are difficult. Another attraction is the mythical implications which consistently saturate every chapter. Within the work, one sees goodness and evil, love and hate, generosity and greed which relate to the desires of every man. Also, a great sense of suspense overfills each book. The difficult tasks always have an element of fear for loss or injury of life which causes the reader to want to cheer on and help the afflicted. But the most significant element of the work is the characterization. The characters are very richly described. Each type of creature (whether hobbit, wizard, dwarf, or man) is seemingly real. The distinctions between good and evil are easily perceivable. Thus, everyone can relate to these characters via their problems, their desires, and their personalities, aided through its ease of comprehension.

Because of these qualities, the books began making record sales. Today, hundreds of so-called



"Tolkienist" societies and clubs are located across the U.S.; *Lord of the Rings* posters, T-shirts, and other novelties have publicized the trilogy for years. In 1979, *The Lord of the Rings* motion picture was released, and the film's soundtrack appeared in record stores.

Contemporary rock groups such as *Rush* and *Led Zeppelin* have put Tolkien's creations to music; "The Necromancer" by *Rush* and "Misty Mountain Hop" by *Led Zeppelin* are only two examples.

Multi-Ethnic Members Dine At Spiro's

by Stephanie Tubbs

The setting was Greek as the Multi-Ethnic Club dined on December 19th. The twelve club members who attended this unusual meal at Spiro's were very surprised when they were handed the menus, written in Greek. A few people decided to play it safe and order conventional American steak. The others

ordered everything from veal to a layered, rich, lasagne-type dish.

The meals were cooked in front of the members as everyone watched in amazement. "What's that green stuff?" and, "Is this bread?" were a few of the remarks heard by various members as they received their plates. Everyone "dug in", but before long their

stomachs were full and their plates were only half empty. Dessert was a combination plate of three different Greek pastries. They were told the Greek pronunciation of what they were eating. Everyone picked his favorite dessert. The overall favorite was baklava which is made of nuts and layers of honey. Club members left Spiro's with their appetites well-satisfied.

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SCIENCE TEACHER RAY FEICK and several students watch blood donation.

photo by Greg Finch

King Remembered On A City Holiday

by Mike Walker

On April 4, 1968, a tragic moment in history, an assassin killed Reverend Martin Luther King on a motel terrace in Memphis, Tennessee. King's death stirred deep reaction throughout the nation. Before King's burial, President Lyndon Johnson declared a national day of mourning. Also, at that time, many black communities rioted in protest of his death. Today some cities, such as St. Louis, honor his birthday as a holiday. Several special interest groups have tried to make his birthday a national holiday, but the bill failed in the House of Representatives on the grounds that the country has too many holidays; another would cause the nation to lose \$185 million in lost work from federal employees. However, a commemorative stamp was issued in King's honor last year on his birthday, January 15.

Young people wonder what King has done to be so honored. King was mainly known as an American

civil rights leader who worked successfully to bring about social, political, and economic change via peaceful means. Through boycotts, "sit-ins," marches, and speeches, he managed to broaden civil rights for blacks and other minority groups. His campaigns were so successful that he won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1967.

However, many of his programs did not appeal to everyone. Unhappy people denounced King, saying that his campaigns to alter unemployment, bad housing, and conditions in black slums were ineffective. Also, supporters for some civil rights movements disliked his program of non-violence, spawning such groups as the Black Panthers. To further denounce King, recently, one public official accused King of being anti-American.

But the majority of the American people appreciated his efforts. Thus, his birthday is honored through church group activities, special festivals, and parades in many areas.

Students Plan Ahead

by Karen Chandler

Southwest Seniors expressed a great interest in attending college in a recent survey, taken as part of the North Central Evaluation. Despite this professed interest, the enrollment in college preparatory classes is small at present and has been decreasing for the last few years.

Because the '79-80 student body is smaller than in previous years, the enrollment in many classes has dropped slightly. Marcella Carroll, an English instructor, feels that fewer students are coming to Southwest from the classes for the gifted. These students have traditionally taken the preparatory courses.

Jackie Hudson, the administrative assistant, agrees. "It isn't as though the courses are not popular. We don't have as many students. Many of the gifted students in the eighth grade receive scholarships from private schools," states Hudson.

The courses are not only open to those who attended gifted classes in the elementary schools. Anyone who has an interest in the subject and who has the proper prerequisite, can take the course.

Counselor Evelyn Schultz states that the courses may not be very popular because they require work. She feels that many students do not want to do the reading and/or the research that

such courses usually demand.

"I am always amazed at the number of students that say they want to go to college, but who are barely passing high school work," comments Schultz.

Both Schultz and Counselor Dorothy Owens agree that Southwest offers courses that should sufficiently prepare interested students for college.

Owens states, "I think we have enough variety that the students can find self-expression. If a kid wants to learn, I think he will be able to find the right courses for his self-satisfaction."

According to Hudson, Southwest has kept the college prep courses in its curriculum. "The courses include English Literature, Advanced Composition and Literature, Analytic Geometry, Calculus, and Honors Science. It's a safe bet to say they are being taught at a high caliber," comments Hudson.

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increasingly difficult because voters have become more sophisticated in the last 10 years.

Among items on his platform is the hospital consolidation issue. He favors the HMO concept, "in which neighborhood clinics and surgical units contract with private hospitals for inpatient care." He adds that he is a good administrator who would assemble a qualified staff to aid him in

Southwest High Displays Generosity At Christmas

by Ben Holden

While many students spent the holiday season healthy, contented, and with families, various groups at Southwest found the time to help those less fortunate. On December 12, a group of 30 students led by the Junior Board caroled through Hampton Village in subfreezing temperatures to benefit the St. Louis Christmas Carol Association. Aiding the same cause were Symphonic Band and Concert Choir. In exchange for two performances, \$1,200 was donated to the Association by Plaza Frontenac and St. Clair Square shopping centers in the name of the band. The choir travelled to numerous locations in the name of the S.L.C.C.A., highlighted by a trip to chronic hospital. Here patients, who in most cases have very few visitors, derived immense joy from seeing such a large and lively group of young people perform. Lee Meyer, the sponsor of the choir, saw this as definitely the most meaningful stop, "It made me feel good and want to cry at the same time," she stated.

Student Council stayed busy with several worthwhile projects, among them, a canned goods drive to aid needy families. With S.C. aiding in the necessities department, Senior Board sponsored a Toys for Tots Campaign to give Christmas presents to needy children. \$2,471 was collected during advisory of which \$1,020 was submitted to Cardinal Glennon Hospital as a check to aid needy

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governing the office effectively. Concerning the 1980 presidential election, Zych favors President Carter, adding that Senator Edward Kennedy's positions on issues such as gun-control and busing were too liberal for his liking.

When asked would he like to be president someday, Zych replied, "Politics is a strange business, so you can never accurately plan your political aspirations, but my ambitions have always been higher than the state level."

Zych concluded by saying the upcoming election would be his "first real test" as far as future plans are concerned.

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tended career as a radio engineer.

Senior Greg Finch says he enjoys his motion pictures studies at the center. "It's fun and interesting too, you get technical training and hands-on experience." Finch also says, "When I get to college, I'll probably already know about 25 percent of the material to be covered."

This is the second year at the center for Tracee Davis. She says her experience there has afforded her the opportunity to work with good radio and television equipment. "There's a control room, production room and facilities for reporters to use when conducting interviews." She adds the facilities remain in good shape because "everyone has acquired a specialty in some kind of equipment repair."

Tracee is involved in the production of a school radio show featuring sports, school board news, education-related press releases, and student and teacher spotlights. The ten-minute show airs every day on KSLH (91.5 f.m.).

Tracee reports that the next radio production project begins January 21. It is another show, titled "Rapping with JVL," and is geared toward high school students. It will air in the afternoon (from 2:45 until 3:00) so students will be able to listen at their convenience.

families. The remainder was spent on toys which were wrapped and presented to children at Cardinal Glennon.

Ray Feick, the Senior Board sponsor was also involved in the blood drive with his Advanced Biology Class. For one day,

students who were at least 17 years old and weighed 110 pounds were allowed to donate a pint of blood to the Red Cross. These projects somewhat exemplify the spirit of giving, in that one makes a minimal sacrifice that somehow does immeasurable good for someone else.



SANTA CLAUS GREG SIMONDS grants wishes in the annual Toys For Tots Campaign.

photo by Ray Feick

January Graduates Prepare for Future

by Barb Birkicht

Each year a small number of seniors opt to graduate after the first semester. These January graduates have qualified to graduate by completing the required number of courses in various areas and fulfilling the same graduation requirements as do the seniors graduating in the spring.

The January graduates this year are as follows: Steve Arenz, David Bradshaw, Steven Brunsman, Kevin Dobbs, Patrick Flynn, Ellis Hayslett, Ronald Sarkin, Bryan Marion, Virginia Mavrommatis, Craig Pozzini, David Schisler, Alan Stalhuth, Efthemios Tellios, Veronica Williams, Ellen Soutrea, Stanley Lyons, and Ray Harvey.

Some of the graduates have jobs waiting for them. Patrick

Flynn is going to start at the Monsanto Corporation in January. Bryan Marion is involved in his job with the Ira E. Berry Real Estate Co. As for his motivation for early graduation, he says, "After the teacher's strike, I wanted to get out of school as soon as possible." He jokingly adds, "Anyway, it seems to me, three and a half years of high school is enough for anyone!"

Other students plan on going on with their education, both technical and academic. One such student is Ronald Sarkin who intends to attend Ottawa University in Ottawa, Kansas.

Many of the January grads have carefully planned their early graduation by taking six classes a day. Some have also completed night school classes.

Area Newspapers Used As Teaching Supplement

by Raymond Harvey

Ms. Sandra Diamond works for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and the St. Louis Globe-Democrat as the coordinator for the Newspapers in Education Program. Newspapers in Education is a program in which selected people visit area high school law classes once or twice a month to help aid the students in learning with the aid of the newspapers. The newspapers document the certain aspects of what they are learning.

Ms. Diamond loves to teach; before joining the Post and the Globe she had taught for 9 years in the Hazelwood School District. "I could do more for education and kids in the metropolitan area, which this job allows me to do," she commented on her leaving the teaching profession.

Three teachers who have law-related courses, Zachary Amos, Warren Rolf and Henry Tepe should be visited by Diamond within the next month. Although this is a national experimental project, "It is hard to measure its outcome," stated Diamond, who also added that the "newspapers are used as a supplemental tool for learning."

Many students respond to the Newspapers in Education and sophomore Sandra Williams stated that, "It is not a waste of my time. I like the program because it is a different challenge to anything I have ever had in the public schools for a long time."

All in all, Ms. Diamond feels that the students are participating and responding to the program in a very positive way.

Cagers Defeat McKinley; Win Over The Dutchmen

The Southwest Basketball Longhorns met their Waterloo against the Cadets of CBC. After defeating Maplewood and losing to Vashon, bringing their record to 2 and 4, the Longhorns were routed by CBC, 95 to 55, sending the 'Horns to a 2 and 5 record.

But, as if the team were starting a new season, the Longhorns have come together and run off a 5 and 3 record, the first of which being a 94-69 slaughter of Martin Luther King High.

"Earlier in the year we weren't really sure of ourselves," stated Senior Center Mark Maichel, "but now we've put it together."

Senior Forward Jeff Weddington stated, "We've started looking for each other. Before CBC we weren't working as a team, but now we know each other better."

Following the King game, the Longhorns entered the Chaminade Christmas Tournament. In the opening round, Southwest took on top-seeded Parkway North. Many had thought that the King game had been a fluke, King being one of the poorer teams in the area, but the Longhorns proved themselves

by Frank Clements
by smashing Parkway North, 65-45.

In the second round of the tourney, the 'Horns took on the host club, Chaminade. They added to their winning streak by defeating the 'Devils, 65-63, with senior guard Terrance Trudo and senior forward Lavance Madden each scoring sixteen points to lead the squad. The victory also brought the 'Horns to the .500 mark for the first time this season.

The Southwest train was derailed by the McCluer North Stars, who defeated the Longhorns in the title game of the tourney, 66-63. This was the North Stars' fourth championship in a row at the Chaminade Tournament.

But the Longhorns bounced back and in their next contest, against the reputable McKinley Goldbugs, were victorious, 85-81. Terrance Trudo again led the team with twenty-four points, and Lavance Madden, Mark Maichel, and Jeff Weddington dominated the boards and combined for a total of thirty-one rebounds.

The next opponent on the

'Horns' slate were the Central Redwings. Central, ranked second in the Southside Journal's Coaches Poll, came back from a nine point deficit at the half to defeat Southwest, 85-78.

Southwest brought their record back up to the .500 mark by defeating the Cleveland Dutchmen. Many of the Southwest felt they had played a poor game, but poor or not, they still swept the Dutch, 70-44, with Madden leading the way to the hoop with nineteen points, and Weddington and Brown with fifteen and twelve respectively.

Summing up the Longhorn's winning surge, Terrance Trudo pointed out, "We knew our potential and ability all along, and now it's coming together."

Wrestlers In Slump

While it may seem a bit early for a cliché like, "Wait till next year," that is the attitude of Southwest's Wrestlers. The youthful varsity team, composed of many freshmen and sophomores, placed a disappointing 15th out of 16 teams at the P.H.L. Christmas Wrestling Tournament. Sophomore Randy Sudler (105 lb.) won the team's only medal.

Coach Dave Cook found a few bright spots in the team's showing. "They show a lot of hope for the future," he said. Cook continued, saying that Southwest came within 1 point of the St. Charles West junior varsity, which is one of the best in the area.

In a P.H.L. match, Soldan downed the Grapplers, 50-18. The match was closer than the score indicated, with several Longhorns losing in the final round. Senior Paul Sleet and sophomores Rich Elson and Alan Gray were Southwest's individual winners, with the three victories coming on quick pins.

Varsity Hockey Team Still Without Win

First the good news about the SW Hockey Team. It only lost 6-3 to Aquinas January 7. This was its closest game of the season. Guess the bad news yet?

This loss brought the record to a dismal 0-10. (Including one 24-0 loss to Affton late last year). The initial optimism shown by the coach and several players this season has proved fruitless. Reports of the hockey club's



GUARD CHERYL CAMPBELL stretches for a jump shot in a game against Cleveland.
photo by Kendrick Kendall

Girls Revive Streak

by Paul L. Sleet

The Southwest Girls' Basketball team rekindled its winning ways at Vashon High School on December 14, 1979, against the Wolverines. The girls brought home a 53-37 victory. Next on their winning streak were the Dubourg Cavaliers, who came to Southwest on December 21 and were beaten 83-26.

While most people were enjoying their Christmas vacations, the team members competed in the East St. Louis-Lincoln Christmas Tournament. The tourney was held at Lincoln High School from December 27 to December 29. The girls improved from their last year's performance in the Lincoln tournament by taking third place, out of the 19 schools present. The first game was played against the Wolverines of Vashon, who were again put down 55-22. Junior Angie Bonner scored her season's high of 35 points in this game. The following day, December 28, the Longhorns were not as fortunate, submitting to the East St. Louis Flyers by a close 42-40. This loss put the girls into the consolation for third place against Duchesne held

on December 29. The girls won this game 61-48, thus clinching third place.

The East-Side tournament seemed to give the Longhorns an extra drive toward its PHL competitors. On January 4, 1980, the McKinley Goldbugs came to Southwest. After clinching the game in the first half, Coach Gower removed most of his starters to give his freshmen-sophomore bench some play. McKinley was defeated by a score of 61-52. Next on the list of PHL foes were the Redwings of Central on January 8, at Central High. The Redwings were quite readily handled by the seemingly unstoppable shooting of Angie Bonner, who scored 31 points in this game. The final score was an impressive 74-50 in favor of the Longhorns.

On Thursday, January 10, the Cleveland Dutch "women" came to Southwest for a game; they were devastated by good passes to Angie Bonner, high percentage shots by their forwards and mediocre playing by the Dutch. As a result the Longhorns won by a score of 86-21.

league."

Coppo elaborated on what caused them to be in last place. "Other schools, they take our players away. They have better programs to attract them."

But SW Hockey coach Don Woods has been quoted as being against dropping to the J.V. level. According to some players, this means another year of frustration for the Longhorns.



SENIORS RANDY ARTALE, Larry Renfro and Ken Newsome each placed first at swim meet.
photo by Kendrick Kendall

Bluejackets Are All Wet

On January 8 Southwest's Swimmers took on the Beaumont Bluejackets in a P.H.L. meet.

Before the meet Coach Julie Frank said, "Beaumont has more swimmers which gives them an advantage." The team with the most people can enter more people in each race.

Another advantage for Beaumont was the fact that senior John Clements, the team's top diver, was injured in a previous meet. This enabled the Bluejackets to sweep first and second in diving.

However, the Longhorns came back with some strong individual performances. Double winners were Captain Randy Artale in the 100 yd. backstroke and 100 yd. butterfly, senior Ken Newsome in the 200 yd. individual medley and the 100 yd. breaststroke and senior Larry Renfro in the 200 and 500 yd. freestyle. These wins were enough to allow Southwest to win the meet 38-33.

After the meet Artale stated, "The team swam good considering the number of people."

PHL Calendar

January

29

Girls' Basketball - SW vs Cardinal Ritter at SW at 4:00 p.m.

"B" Basketball - SW vs SLUH at SLUH at 6:30 p.m.

Basketball - SW vs SLUH at SLUH at 8:00 p.m.

Swimming - SW vs Cleveland at Forest Park Com. Col. at 4:00 p.m.

February

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Wrestling - SW vs SLUH at SW at 4:00 p.m.

Girls' Basketball - SW vs O'Fallon at SW at 4:00 p.m.

"B" Basketball - SW vs O'Fallon at SW at 6:30 p.m.

Basketball - SW vs O'Fallon at SW at 8:00 p.m.

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"B" Basketball - SW vs St. Mary's at SW at 6:30 p.m.

Basketball - SW vs St. Mary's at SW at 8:00 p.m.

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Wrestling - SW vs Central at SW at 4:00 p.m.

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Girls' Basketball - SW vs Sumner at Vashon at 4:00 p.m.

"B" Basketball - SW vs Sumner at Vashon at 8:00 p.m.

12 Wrestling - SW vs Kirkwood at SW at 4:00 p.m.

Girls' Basketball - SW vs St. John's - There at 4:00 p.m.

15 Wrestling - Districts at O'Fallon at 4:00 p.m.

Girls' Basketball - SW vs Soldan at SW at 4:00 p.m.

"B" Basketball - SW vs Soldan at SW at 8:00 p.m.

16 Wrestling - Districts at O'Fallon - 12 noon.

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