



SENIORS RON JONES, Annette Dattilo and Nancy Jaeger exiting to enjoy their off-campus lunch privileges.
photo by Greg Finch

Junk Food Banned For Next Semester

by Terry Lemons

Recently the United States government ruled that after July 1, the nation's schools can no longer sell minimally nutritious foods, commonly known as junk food, until after the final lunch period of the day.

The new ruling prohibits gum, soda, some ice cream products and some candies from being sold anywhere in schools, at least until the last lunch period is over. The reason for this ruling involves the government's attempt to promote a nutritious diet for the nation's youngsters; some junk food provides less than 5 percent of the recommended daily allowances for eight basic nutrients.

Certainly the repercussions of this action will be felt at Southwest. According to cafeteria manager, Victoria Mathews, junk food at the SW cafeteria, not surprisingly, "will have to be eliminated if it's a federal regulation."

Which items in the cafeteria will have to be removed? "From what I understand, the Hostess Products (snack cakes), soda, candy, maybe some of the ice cream novelties and potato chips," states Mathews.

What about replacements for the banned food? "Probably just expand the Gateway." As for soda alternatives, Mathews says that, "there are plans to put in a juice, such as Hawaiian Punch, or some other thing as long as it meets the 5 percent requirement." Mathews also says that there may be plans

to add nutritious candy bars, such as Granola or some similar item.

Mathews feels that junk foods should be available here because the ban will not necessarily keep students from eating them; they can always buy the food outside and bring it into the school.

The new government ruling sheds questioning light on candy sales run by various fund-raising organizations at SW. Will the law mean the end of candy sales next year? According to Southwest Principal Marvin Koenig, the law will affect only over-the-counter and vending machine sales of junk food; organizations at SW that sell candy are not part of the school proper, so they will be exempt from the ruling.

Koenig favors the new rule on junk food. "I'm all for that particular regulation. I don't think schools should be in the business of selling junk food."

"Junk foods are fine as long as they don't replace regular foods. Unfortunately, too many youths and adults use junk food as a substitute for nutritious foods," explains Koenig.

Healthful or not, junk food is extremely popular at Southwest. Students should enjoy their Coke and potato chips while they can because, unless the rule is rescinded for some unforeseen circumstance, many students will be forced to alter drastically their eating habits in the cafeteria.

Views On Draft Differ

by David Millman and Tom Regan

After President Carter's last State of the Union Address, many students of Southwest have begun to think seriously about going to war.

Carter commented that he would like to reinstate registration for the draft. What do Southwest students think of this proposal?

In response to the question, "What do you think of the draft?", several of Southwest's seniors offered various opinions.

Seniors Tom Muehlberg, Gernot Armbruster and Leonard Shade expressed a positive viewpoint on the draft issue.

"I'm going," Tom said, "I'm enlisting first. I don't mind popping off a couple of Russians. I'll be armed to the teeth driving a tank; I'm all American."

Leonard was in favor of the draft in an economic way. "It would help the economy by creating more jobs."

"I'll be killing people I have a right to hate," remarked Gernot. He added, "I'll be getting rid of some Commies."

Since this draft perhaps would not discriminate according to sex,

girls are also worried. Many say they would become pregnant in order to stay out of it. However, senior Lisa Adams feels it only fair that she go if drafted.

"I'll go. I won't kill anybody," commented Lisa. "If the guys have to go and interrupt their lives, then I'll go. I'll help any way I can."

Seniors Tod Prosser and Jim Magnus expressed a totally different opinion from that of the others.

Jim felt that the draft isn't fair, "I don't think it's right. Politicians can go first. They start wars; they can fight them."

Todd agreed, "I resent the fact that my government can tell me to kill someone else, just because politics say so." If he were drafted, Todd said that he'd go but that he wouldn't kill anyone, even going as far as AWOL first.

Senior Randy Artale had a practical view of the issue stating, "I'll worry about it when the time comes," and Kevin Dobbs, also a senior, had a rather unique way of dealing with the issue.

If he were drafted, Kevin said, "I'll just sit around and act retarded 'till they kick me out."

Seniors Out To Lunch

by Judy Lehr

On Tuesday, February 5, qualified seniors were given the option of leaving the school grounds for lunch.

In order to have qualified for this off-campus program, seniors needed both parental permission and a satisfactory semester report card (no "D's", "F's", or "U's" and no more than eight absences or eight tardies).

The seniors' reactions to these restrictions were varied. Senior Class President John Clements stated, "The restrictions are fair. Those who don't meet the standards; it's their own fault."

On the other hand, qualified seniors Denise Dippel, Shirley

Haynes and Nancy Vordtriede felt the standards were rather strict, especially the "no U's." Nancy did add, "As far as the grades though, I think that it's incentive for other students to get this privilege."

An unqualified senior Ryan Grueber disagreed. "It is not a very good incentive plan because we didn't know about it early enough to improve our grades."

Once a student did qualify, he was given the off-campus lunch privilege. After going out for lunch, senior Nancy Jaeger said, "I enjoyed it because it gave a little break in the day. It always feels nice to be given a privilege."

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays were set as the days seniors could leave, but most of the seniors agreed they would only go out once or twice a week because of the expense.

Senior Board expressed the hope that the qualified seniors would not abuse the privilege. Senior Arthur Milton Porter III optimistically replied, "I don't think the privileges will be abused because it has taken too long for the seniors to get the off-campus lunch program. I also believe that the seniors are responsible, and we know that the future of the off-campus lunch program depends on our actions."

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Koenig Questioned On Wide Range Of Educational Issues

by Frank Clements

"Teachers and students, may I have your attention please. Pardon the interruption..."

Since the fall of 1974, Marvin O. Koenig has been broadcasting that message over the P.A. system and administering the affairs of Southwest.

As might be expected of any high school principal, Mr. Koenig is the object of many jokes from audience puns to the "Southwest Penitentiary" and "Warden M.O.K." tee shirts.

But many students have serious questions and issues that they feel need to be answered by "M.O.K." These are a few of their questions.

Q: The senior lunch program: Why did you decide to reinstate the program and why is senior board in charge of it?

A: "The seniors requested that senior lunch be reinstated. We polled ideas from the senior board and the faculty and together we came up with acceptable qualifications for an off-campus lunch."

Q: In the first issue, you stated that you felt the senior class was too irresponsible to handle an off-campus lunch program. What made you change your mind?

A: "We believe this program will weed out the irresponsible and allow those, who deserve it, to go out."

Q: Why do senior board and student council have fifth free, but junior board has been denied the privilege?

A: "A lot of the kids on junior board are taking single hour courses and we didn't feel that it was necessary to rearrange their entire programs. I also didn't feel that junior board needed fifth free all year and that if they really needed to, they could meet during advisory or during their respective lunch periods."

Q: Freshman Advisory: do you feel this program has been successful?

A: "Absolutely. Most incoming freshmen have a hard time adjusting to high school programs. Having one session for guidance helps in the transitions. Freshmen need someone to keep track of



PRINCIPAL MARVIN O. Koenig responds to questions of the students. "We need better communication between faculty, students and the administration".
photo by Greg Finch

them. The results of this program have been very significant. Freshmen have better attendance, many having perfect attendance, which is almost unheard of. This year we've only had about 25 freshman drop-outs, compared to nearly 150 last year."

Q: One of the problems that people are concerned about is marijuana. What is your policy concerning drugs in the school?

A: "My policy is basically the same as the one stated in the Student Rights and Responsibilities Handbook. Each case is received individually and all factors are considered; the student, his grades, his relation with school, etc. After all facts are considered, a judgement is made."

Q: What would you consider to be the biggest problem at Southwest?

A: "Communication. I believe we need better communication between the faculty, students and the administration. Better communication would lead to the solutions to other problems we have. I believe we have on the average a very responsible student body, but many are foolish when it comes to drugs."

Q: One final question, Southwest

has also been considered to have the best program of the St. Louis Public High Schools, but what about other schools in the area?

A: "First of all, you cannot draw comparisons between a comprehensive school such as ourselves and specialized schools such as CBC or SLUH. But as far as other comprehensive schools such as Bishop Du Bourg, Lindbergh, Mehlville or Lutheran South, we have a much better program."

What's Happening

February

18 Washington's Birthday - No classes

20 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Senior Cap and Gown re-order

23 Band Parents' Spaghetti Supper - Hope Church 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

26 SW District Congress of Parents - Lindenwood 7:30 p.m.

March

5 APT Board 12:30 p.m.

6 Fine Arts Nights 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

10-14 Spirit Week

I.D. Tags Adorn SW Students

by Lisa Gentilini

In 1973, the wearing of the ID badge was instituted at Southwest. This was a step to prevent outsiders from entering the building and harming the school and its students.

Seven years later, Southwest students are still wearing ID badges for the same reason. There seems to be an even greater need for ID's now with the school crime rate rising nationally. Vandalism, drug pushing, fights and even shootings are occurring in schools everywhere. Fortunately the situation isn't that grim at Southwest and apparently to keep it that

way, stricter enforcement procedures such as receiving study hall, paying one dollar fines, etc. have been initiated. Faculty members have also been asked to check ID's often.

Many students feel that all of this "enforcement" is a bit much. In fact, some don't feel ID's are necessary at all. They say that ID's are bothersome and that the punishments for not having one are unfair.

On the other hand, some feel that there isn't enough enforcement. They feel that ID's should be checked at the doors as students enter the building. Also, that

someone could be stationed at the Kemper doors (since they remain open all day) to write out temporary ID's and visitors' passes. Some feel that it is a waste of time to check ID's in the classrooms because the teachers already know the students in their classes.

Other schools such as Roosevelt have started checking ID's at the door and the common complaint is that students are standing in long lines in the cold. Others are worried about forgetting their ID's. Those that are in favor of this idea feel confident that a solution to the long lines can be found. They also think that students could put their ID's in their wallets or purses when they go home, so that they won't forget them the next day.

Some schools such as SLUH have ID badges, but they don't require wearing them. Students keep their ID's in their wallets or pockets and if a teacher asks to see it, they simply hand it to him. Several students here like that arrangement; however, the purpose of wearing ID's is so that teachers can spot an outsider easily and not wearing the ID would appear to defeat that purpose.

Thus the conflict of whether or not to have stricter enforcement of ID badges goes on. But one thing is for sure, without ID's, there wouldn't be any place to hang all of those nifty buttons.

course these degenerates have been from some other schools.

Southwest fans certainly have the right idea - stay away from the games. The teams lose and the students get to criticize the athletes all year long. Everybody knows that fan support has been known to turn stable, respectable, mediocre teams into tenacious, rowdy, winning machines who seem to want nothing more out of life than to please the unruly mob of Dr. Frankensteins who created them.

Almost as a rule, winners are accompanied by scores of overly enthusiastic supporters. A flicker of this mutinous behavior is occasionally evident at Southwest. Yes friends, it is with great regret that the revelation of the fanatical sect known as the Pep Club is made. They are infesting a wonderfully boring routine, attempting to restore the old regime, to bring back school spirit and unity. This must not happen! The basketball team is adequate enough to go a long way if pressed to do so by that unseen evil known as school spirit. Don't make waves. Southwest has never had a state basketball champion, and the students can help prevent it once again this year. Remember, if this were to happen, reporters would come; stories would be written; Southwest would be in the newspapers, on television - exposed for all to see!



Editorials

Boycotting Olympics

compiled by Mike Walker

Pro

The American public, young and old, should support President Carter by boycotting the Olympic Games in Moscow. The Olympics represent honor, reason, harmony, peace and physical excellence in the spirit of integrity, honesty and fair play. Representative Edward J. Derwinski of Illinois stated that with the invasion of Afghanistan and other Soviet military build-ups: "You get a picture of an aggressive, belligerent power. In these circumstances, I don't think the Soviet Union is the proper host for the Olympics."

Also, by boycotting the Olympics, the United States can do much harm to the Soviet Union's image. The Soviet government wants to use television coverage of the Olympics to show the good side of life in Russia. If athletes boycott the participation, the Soviet propaganda advantage is taken away.

Furthermore, as Representative Derwinski believes, "Unlike the athletes sent to the Olympics by most countries of the Western World, Soviet athletes are not amateurs, . . . they are career competitors." In other words, the Soviet athletes make their living from financial support of their government, not through working jobs as most of U.S. athletes do.

It is unfortunate, however, that separation of a team from its government is not possible because it is a representative of its country. Continuing, can the U.S. represent itself in a country that wears the blood of Afghans?

In summation, the United States must show the Soviets, despite the disappointment in the lack of viewing pleasure, that it is not a nation of hypocrites, that it is unified, that it is strong, and that it cannot send an Olympic team to a country which threatens world peace, the spirit of the Olympic Games and the United States of America.

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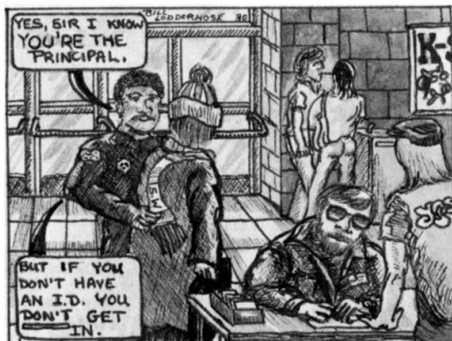
"The Olympic Games should be kept free of politics as much as possible, and it is up to those within the movement to protect them from politics. A boycott is an internal device which must be necessarily instituted by the members themselves," stated Robert Kane, president of the U.S. Olympic Committee. He also added that continuance of the games would not be proper if boycotts became common practice. With reasons such as these, the U.S. public should support participation of the Moscow Olympics.

Examine one of the benefits of the Olympics. The games have served as a peaceful means of contact and communication between nations. In a crisis period such as now, international sporting events are one of the most successful means to achieve this objective.

Furthermore, how can we restrict the athletes chances? Mr. Kane states, "... an athlete usually has only one chance to take part in the Olympic Games. Any many of them have trained all their young lives to get there, and a boycott would snatch away their one opportunity."

A boycott, however, should be used as a matter of security, not politics. Mr. Kane added that "if Moscow becomes a dangerous place and lives could conceivably be placed in jeopardy, then I think, . . . for the protection of its own athletes . . ." a boycott is necessary.

Therefore, the U.S. Olympic Team should go to the 1980 Moscow Olympics to participate in a world honored event and assure its continuance. The U.S. must avoid any breakdown of communications to prevent hostilities from boiling under pressure because the lid is not open. Also, their own country must not deny the athletes their once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.



School Spirit: Who Needs It?

by Ben Holden

Effective, as of January 1, 1980, an entirely new School Spirit Code will be adopted at Southwest. It shall be illegal to: (1) Wear green and gold simultaneously; (2) Attend any Southwest sports events; (3) Wear Southwest school buttons; (4) Speak favorably of Southwest to outsiders; (5) Commit any such act that might contribute to the School Spirit of Southwest High School thereof.

It is fortunate for Southwest students that very few of the above acts were indulged in prior to the enactment of this code; thus no radical changes will take place. After all, the athletes may play better in the presence of this man-

ia, but abstaining from it might insure their losing, and everyone knows that in post-season play, one loss and you're out. Going to the disco, or skating or even bowling may cost a few extra bucks, but who cares? Everyone has to pull together on this thing; besides, those games are horrible! People who don't even know each other smile, and talk together, and the really forward ones even touch their neighbors when something good happens. A person can only take so much. At some football games total strangers keep warm under the same blankets. Can you imagine? Scandalous! Of

A Satire



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A Valentine For The Lazy

by Lisa Gentilini

It's the day after Valentine's Day and you're feeling guilty because you've received a Valentine from someone you forgot all about. Should you: tell this person the truth and apologize, lie and say the Valentine is at home and you'll bring it Monday, or tell this person to eat beans? Have no fear; the answer is here! Just check the appropriate blanks below and send this letter to the poor, forgotten soul.

I am sorry that you did not receive a Valentine from me this year. I assure you that I have a (1) — logical explanation (2) — feeble excuse (3) — rock in my shoe.

I have been (1) — very busy (2) — to Iran (3) — on the

wagon and I just haven't quite recovered. Also, I have had problems (1) — at home. (2) — at work (3) — at school.

My (1) — father (2) — mother (3) — pet rock was (1) captured by Martians (2) — addicted to the **Mister Rodgers Show** (3) — arrested for squeezing the Charmin and my (1) — boss (2) — advisor (3) — car had a (1) — baby. (2) — nervous breakdown. (3) — party for illiterate Scrabble players.

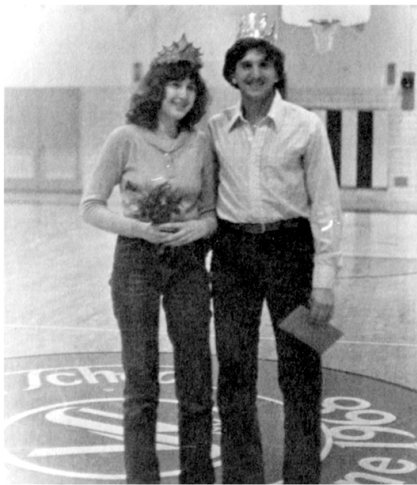
Please don't take this (1) — personally. (2) — lying down. (3) — to your lawyer. I haven't forgotten all of those wonderful (1) — times (2) — Tom Turkey Roasts (3) — Tupperware parties we had (1) — last week. (2) — in jail. (3) — in pur

previous life.

I hope you will accept (1) — my dirty laundry (2) — two tickets to the Olympic Games in Moscow (3) — my entire cockroach collection as a (1) — token of my esteem. (2) — subtle hint. (3) — pie in the face. After all, what are (1) — friends (2) — enemies (3) — cockroach collections for?

I really do value (1) — our friendship. (2) — the Almighty Dollar. (3) — my Trans Am. I promise I will never (1) — forget you (2) — remember you (3) — eat a raw egg again, so please (1) — forgive me. (2) — get off my back. (3) — drop dead.

Yours (1) — truly, (2) — only in your dreams, (3) — not mine, — —



SENIORS JUDY LEHR and Jasper Trevisano were chosen senior Homecoming Queen and King. Not pictured is senior Eric Trudo who tied with Jasper, but who was participating in the game.

photo by Greg Finch

Beauty Pageants Are Beneficial

by Marsha Prophet

The purpose of the Junior Miss Program is to recognize, reward and encourage excellence among all young people by focusing attention on the constructive achievements of outstanding, high school, senior girls.

Scholarships to Junior Miss contestants have increased more than a hundred-fold in the twenty years since the beginning of the program. In 1958, the awards totaled \$10,000. This year, hun-

dreds of girls in every state will share in more than \$1.5 million in scholarships and awards presented in local, state and national final competition.

Junior Miss participants are judged on the same basis and standards at all levels — local, state and national. The judges' aim is to determine the representative, high-school, senior girl. There are no bathing suit competitions, physical measurements

taken or "cheesecake" photography at any stage or level. Judges grade on the basis of youth fitness, poise and appearance, creative and performing arts, scholastic achievement and the judges' interview.

Barbara Washington, a former Tennessee Junior Miss winner and also chairperson for the South St. Louis Junior Miss Pageant, says, "The girls not only gain a title, but also they gain self-confidence."

The Hunt For Summer Employment Has Begun

by Lisa Burton

Soon many students will be interested in obtaining summer jobs. Although quite a few students have jobs from previous summers, others will be looking for the first time. Anna Maly of the Missouri Division of Employment Security has some helpful hints on obtaining a job.

1. Have a positive attitude about getting a job. Doubts about obtaining a certain job may affect the interview.
2. Write down a list of jobs you would enjoy doing and the companies for which you would like to work.
3. On the day of the interview, dress appropriately for the job being sought. Jeans, of course, are not acceptable.
4. Make sure to take all required information for the

application. Read the directions carefully on the application.

5. During the interview try to relax as much as possible. Don't be afraid to speak up, especially if you are shy.
6. After the interview, thank the interviewer and shake

his/her hand. Ask if it would be alright to call within a few days.

In addition, Ms. Maly suggests that one start looking for a job around Christmas and Easter. She also suggests calling the businesses to determine whether they are interested in hiring.

Month of February For Black History

by Karen Chandler

This year President Jimmy Carter has proclaimed February National Afro-American History Month. The Study of Afro-American Life and History is sponsoring the history month, which will emphasize the achievements of black Americans. The 1980 theme is "Heritage for America."

Many organizations in St. Louis have planned special activities to celebrate the theme. The Student Activities department at St. Louis Community College at Forest Park has planned a full month of happenings which began with *Young Mr. Douglass*, a one-man drama about the great abolitionist, Frederick Douglass. The College staged the play, which starred Charles Pace, on February 5th.

A lecture on black artists and their works is scheduled for February 14th. A tour of the College's art gallery will follow the lecture. The College will show two films, *Chisholm: Pursuing the*

Dream and *Kong's Harvest*, on February 13th and 14th.

Other offerings at Forest Park will include a jazz concert by a local group, *Spontaneous Combustion*, on the 21st. On the same day, the *Sudan Illustrators* will perform in a dance program. Both events will be presented in the art gallery. Admission to all of the College's activities will be free.

At Southwest, urban studies instructor Roger Cayce intends to decorate the display cases on the second and third floors with interesting material on black Americans.

According to Cayce, the Social Studies department is still developing its black studies program. "We might just do something for the freshman advisories. Maybe we'll have gospel singers, films or a dance group. Hopefully, next year the program will be more extensive," comments Cayce.

NEWS and NOTES

KSD Hosts Students

On January 25 two students from Southwest, seniors Frank Clements and David Millman, along with two students from McCluer North were asked to share their viewpoints about the draft on KSD radio. The show, *KSD St. Louis Today*, aired from 1 to 2 p.m. Friday and was hosted by Joyce Mitchell.

Although the show attempted to cover all the possible points of the draft issue, it seemed to dwell on the question of whether women should be drafted and placed on the front line along with the men.

Frank Clements, who had appeared previously on a radio show for KMOX, commented, "The registration process is just a precaution, so the government can find out who can serve, making it possible to quickly mobilize an army in a time of crisis. We're showing the Kremlin we mean business."

Quiz Kids Defeated

On January 27, Southwest's Newsquiz Team faced McCluer on Channel 5. The team jumped to an early 7-0 lead, but they were unable to maintain it with McCluer winning 21-12.

Several of the judge's decisions were quite questionable. Senior Roland Smith said, "We were required to be more specific in our answers than McCluer was." Team members pointed out that if the judges would have been consistent in their decisions, the score would have been 17-16 in favor of Southwest. For their efforts, the team received an unabridged dictionary for the school.

Marcella Milcic, the team's sponsor, was pleased with the team's performance. "The match was closer than the score indicated; in fact, Channel 5 informed me that it was the closest match of the series." She con-

tinued, saying that many individuals told her of their dislike for the program's "game-show" format.

While the show possessed many negative characteristics, all team members agreed that it was a good experience. Senior David Millman summed it up, "It was the chance of a lifetime and I just wish that I would have taken more advantage of it."

Club Elects Officers

At the January 22 meeting of the Lettermen's Club, the spring officers were elected. They are:

President: Terrance Trudo
Vice-President: Tom Muehlberg
Treasurer: Ron Richmann
Sergeant at Arms: Kevin Forness

Initial plans for the annual Lettermen - Faculty basketball game were also made. The game is tentatively scheduled for sometime in March. Senior Jasper Trevisano was selected to coach the lettermen.

New SW Teachers

Within the last month two teachers have joined the Southwest faculty: Mrs. Anna Hicks and Mr. William Jenkins.

Hicks, a former special education teacher at Oak Hill Elementary, tutors SW students in the difficult subject of mathematics.

Jenkins, a graduate of Jackson State University, teaches Communication Skills. He taught at Roosevelt High prior to coming to Southwest.

Players Rate A "B"

The Southwest High School Jazz Band performed its first concert of the new decade on Feb. 2, during the High School Jazz Band Festival held at Meramec Community College. Among the many high school jazz bands that participated were Parkway West, Affton and

University City. In addition to their performing, the bands were also graded and later received comments from the various judges at the competition on the quality of their playing. SW was rated "B". Parkway West placed first in the competition and won the honor of performing with the Meramec Jazz Band that evening.

For those readers who enjoy fine food while listening to beautiful music, they will receive an opportunity on Feb. 23, when the Jazz Band will be performing at its annual Band - Parents' Spaghetti Supper. As in previous years, the supper will be held at Hope United Church of Christ, located at Tamm and Eichelberger. Last year the combination Spaghetti Supper and bazaar raised over \$1500 and the band performed for a total of 600 people. The Jazz Band will be performing at 20-minute intervals, providing the opportunity during intermissions for the audience to browse among the booths.

SAT's Approaching

Once again Juniors face the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). The SAT is a three-hour multiple choice test composed of verbal and mathematical questions. The SAT exam results are important to college-bound students because they are one of several items on which college admissions are based.

Over the next several months there will be three SAT test dates. A test will take place on March 22; late registration will close on February 29. The following test date will be on May 3. Registration for this exam ends on March 28, and late registration closes on April 11. June 7 is the last test date for this school year. Registration for the June SAT closes on May 2, while late registration will end on May 16.

Cost for the SAT is \$8.25. There is also a charge of \$5 for late

registration.

The SAT will be given at various locations in the St. Louis area. For more information on the SAT, juniors should see their counselors.

SW Valentine's Day

In observance of Saint Valentine's Day, several organizations at Southwest participated in various events.

Student Council took part in Valentine's Day activities by sponsoring a valentine card delivery service. For a dime, Student Council members delivered a card to individuals in advisory.

There were also plans to hold a marathon kissing contest, but unfortunately Student Council had to cancel the event.

Corsages and boutonnières were delivered to advisories under the

guidance of Pom-Pon members. Orders for the flowers had been taken several weeks earlier in a sales drive.

Coronation At Game

The Southwest Basketball Team homecoming was held February 6. The varsity team, in overtime, defeated St. Mary's, 59-55. The "B" team was also successful, defeating their St. Mary's opponents by 14 points, thereby improving their overall record to 14-1.

The large crowd present for the game also witnessed the coronation of the kings and queens. For the freshman, Kurt Brunman and Brigitte Arnold were named king and queen. Jack Douglas and Jacqueline Wildhaber are the sophomore king and queen. Similar honors went to juniors Keith Brunman and Kim Pulliam.

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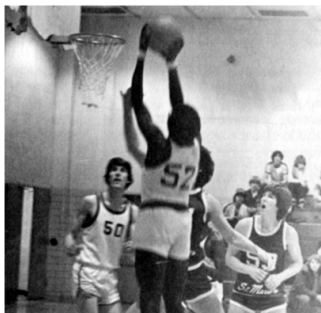
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SOUTHWEST'S LEADING SCORER, Lavance Madden, looks deadly from any angle.

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"Bad Calls" Trip Cagers

by Frank Clements

After yawning through a victory over the Dutchmen of Cleveland, the Southwest Basketball Longhorns entered the Bishop Du Bourg Tournament and in the first round took on the Lancers of Lutheran High South. In another laughter, the Steers embarrassed the Lancers, 61-42.

The victory advanced the Steers to the next round of the tourney, and a chance to take on the number one ranked SLUH Billkins.

In a snail-paced game, marred by turnovers, dozens of missed shots, and a multitude of missed opportunities by both squads, the score after three quarters stood at 21-19, in favor of the Junior Bills.

In the fourth quarter, however, the SLUH offense opened up, and the Bills swept the Steers, 42-28, most of their points coming from the foul line, compliments of Southwest, and the referees.

The next contest for the Steers was a rematch with CBC, who once again topped Southwest, 65-54.

Southwest came home to a wild crowd and a powerful Beaumont Bluejacket team, who had previously upset both DeSmet and Soldan. The Steers, however, refused to buckle under to the Bluejackets, and soundly trounced Beaumont, 65-53.

The following game was, to many of the Southwest players the one they wanted to win the most, a rematch with SLUH, who still remained at the top of the polls.

In the most exciting game of the season, the Steers, as Senior Co-Captain Terrance Trudo put it, "... played the best game we have all year ..." and at one point in the game held a nine point lead on the Junior Bills, and in the opinion of many, entirely dominated the first three quarters of the game.

In the fourth quarter, the Bills rallied back, and with seconds left in the contest, tied the game at 41-41. With under twenty seconds left in the game, SLUH passed the ball inside to its star forward. Dan Vierling. Vierling pivoted to shoot, but before the shot, was fouled by Senior Jeff Weddington. The referee, however, counted the basket, which Vierling made after the foul had been called, giving Vierling a foul shot, and a chance to put SLUH on top by three points.

The usually accurate Vierling missed the shot, and the Steers raced down the court, with Terrance Trudo hitting a thirty foot jumper at the buzzer, to send the game into overtime, 43-43.

With ten seconds left in the overtime, and SLUH on top 45-44,

Trudo was fouled as he drove in for a lay-up. The referee farthest from the play, however, had called a charging foul. Instead of accepting the call of the official closest to the play, a jump ball was decided upon, with seven seconds left to play, and even though the Steers won the jump, they were unable to get a shot off, and SLUH skipped out with a questionable 45-44 victory.

"We played great! We just couldn't hold our big lead," stated Senior Guard Tim Brown.

"It was a very competitive game," added Senior Lavance Madden, "we just came up a little short ... and the referees didn't help any."

Trudo summed up the game, "We just blew our lead, and the breaks didn't go our way; I guess it helps to be number one."

Southwest refused to, as the cliché goes, "cry over spilled milk," or "let one game get them down" and in their next three games defeating O'Fallon, 74-49, beat St. Mary's in overtime, 59-54, for a Homecoming victory, and whipped the Sumner Bulldogs, 69-62.

This last string of wins gives the Steers a 6-2 league record and a 12-10 record overall.

Swimmers Close Season With Win

The final swim meet of the season was against the Wolverines of Vashon.

Being the last meet, the young swimmers put forth amazing effort and provided a victory for Southwest.

Coach Julie Frank states, "The team did a fine job this season, and I am really proud of them."

Coach Frank has seen much improvement in the swimmers. Sophomores, Don Auer, Brook Reinhold, Dave Snodgrass, and

freshman Tom Lodderhose have really developed their skills.

Senior Kendrick Kendall has also shown much improvement. Kendrick states, "With this young crop coach Frank has obtained, Southwest could be one of the main contenders in the P.H.L."

Southwest finished with a 4-2 season.

Southwest will be represented by Captain Randy Artale who will be going to State to compete in the 100 yard Butterfly. He will be swimming in Columbia, Missouri on February 29.

P.H.L. Calendar

February

- 15 Wrestling-District Meet at O'Fallon 4:00 p.m.
- Girls' Basketball-SW vs Soldan at SW 4:00 p.m.
- "B" Basketball-SW vs Soldan at SW 6:00 p.m.
- Basketball-SW vs Soldan at SW 7:30 p.m.
- 16 Wrestling-District Meet at O'Fallon 12:00
- 20 Wrestling-Regional Meet at Forest Park Community College 6:30 p.m.
- 21 Wrestling-State Meet at Columbia Missouri
- Girls' Basketball-SW vs NW at O'Fallon 4:00 p.m.
- "B" Basketball-SW vs NW at O'Fallon 6:00 p.m.
- Basketball-SW vs NW at O'Fallon 7:30 p.m.
- 22 Wrestling-State Meet at Columbia Missouri 7:00-10:00 p.m.
- 23 Wrestling-State Meet at Columbia Missouri 7:00-10:00 p.m.
- 28 Girls' Basketball-SW vs. Roosevelt at SW 4:00 p.m.
- "B" Basketball-SW vs Roosevelt at SW 6:00 p.m.
- Basketball-SW vs Roosevelt at

SW 7:30 p.m.

March

- 3 Girls' Basketball Regional
- 19 Swimming-SW vs Affton at Forest Park Community College 4:00 p.m.

Southwest Girls 'Bust One Hundred'

by Paul L. Sleet

The Southwest Girls' Basketball Team faced its first tough Public High League competitor in the form of the Beaumont Bluejackets, on Thursday, January 24. The girls' victory over Beaumont reinforced their confidence in winning the PHL title. Beaumont was just the first of the tough PHL teams Coach Gower had to beat.

On Tuesday, January 29, Cardinal Ritter came to Southwest to watch the Longhorns shoot. The only highlight of Cardinal Ritter's performance were their cheerleaders, who inspired the crowd more than their team. Cardinal Ritter averaged about one shot per period, having their biggest scoring flurry in the fourth

quarter with three points. Junior Angie Bonner and Senior Sheryl Gatewood had a field day. Bonner scored her season's high of 42 points and Gatewood scored 22 points. The final score was an amazing 100-9. Angie Bonner commented after the game was over, "I'm just happy that we won the game ... and broke the clock!"

The next Public High League school to play the girls was the Hornets of O'Fallon. The Hornets came to Southwest on Friday, February 1, trying to blemish the Longhorns' 6-0 PHL record. O'Fallon was not the team to do the job, as a result the Longhorns took the "sting" out of the Hornets with Angie Bonner's shooting and Sheryl Gatewood's steals.

Hockey: Cool Comedy

by Donna Heidbrink

Once again the follow-up on the Southwest Hockey Team brings us to a dead end.

January 26, Southwest took on Mehlville High School only to add to the long string of losses. The game ended with a score of 12-0.

On the 27 and 28 of January, Southwest lost respectively to Webster Groves and McCluer, both by a score of 20-0.

Many people fail to understand why the Southwest Hockey Team has been so unsuccessful with a

record of 0-12.

Junior iceman Charles Mirelli tried to explain, "the team has a lot of talent, but the team; we just don't click."

Hockey Captain Ed Gieseler was quoted as saying, "If the school would bring it into the PHL program or if our coach decides to drop a level to Junior Varsity, we would have a good chance in the years to come."

The Southwest Hockey Team will be ending its season on February 18.

Team Looks To Future

Southwest's Wrestlers suffered three league setbacks as they moved into the toughest part of their P.H.L. schedule. On January 16th, the Roosevelt Roughriders downed the Longhorns 66-12. Coach Norville Wallach said that Roosevelt was the second best team in P.H.L. (Central is first), and that the Longhorns' inexperience was evident in the loss.

In a meet that was closer than the score indicated, O'Fallon Tech's Hornets defeated the Grapplers 48-18. O'Fallon's margin of victory was padded by several forfeits on Southwest's part. Jim Ivey, Jim Tellios, Bell-Ami Boyd and Randy Sudler were Southwest's individual winners. Sudler's win, in particular, was very impressive because it came against one of the city's top wrestlers, in the 105 lb. division.

The Northwest Blue Devils were next to whip the Longhorns, 58-18. Alan Gray, Rich Schaefer and Tellios were Southwest's winners, with all of them pinning their opponents.

Coach Wallach doesn't seem concerned about these defeats. "We're not getting excited about

this season because of all of our youth. We have a great, young nucleus that will make us a P.H.L. power for the next several years. All of these guys are battlers and that's what counts."



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