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Debbie Amsdell to Reign

Debbie Amsdell was elected queen of the annual Homecoming festivities to be conducted this weekend. Jeff Barker will be her escort.

Lynn Gay Heatley was voted senior attendant, and her date will be Barry Oman. Fred Donnelly will escort last year's queen, Candy Muller.

The weekend will begin tonight, with a bonfire sponsored by the Senior Hi-Y. Saturday, Hickory faces Sharpsville at 2 p.m.

The court will be introduced at halftime, and Candy will crown her successor.

The Yellow Canary will provide music at the dance in the cafeteria from 8-11 p.m. At 8:15 the queen and her court will be presented. Tickets can be purchased for \$3 per couple or \$1.50 stag.

Chaperones will be Mr. and Mrs. Ted Lazorishak, Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Listopad and Mr. Blair Hursh.



Debbie Amsdell and her date, Jeff Barker.

Candidates Battle For Membership in Theater

On September 23 and 24, over 30 hopefuls Chris Rock, Janice Baitest, Mimi Rosenberg, talent, as they vied for Jana Greenburger, Patti membership in Thespian Ray, Sandi Anderson and Guild. Margie Miller.

Of the 37 that tried out, only 19 of these new members, the were accepted by the Thespian Guild is hopeful about putting on a play for the Bartman Elementary School before Thanksgiving. A three-act play performed for the general public is planned.

The new members include Betty Oliver, also tentatively planned. Bruce Hause, Lisa Pop, Faye Snyder, Phyllis Szabo, Ron Marechin, Kathy Moore and Carol Chuba.

The club's officers include Martha Heiges, president; Jeannie Fair, vice-president; Dana Jones, secretary-treasurer; and Rich Shaffer, historian.

Also accepted were Cindy Polansky, Amy Krichko, Debbie Rissin-

Newsmakers:

Grove's Garbage Removed

After eight years of mass pileup, Mr. Groves' office has undergone a cleaning.

Work began the third week of school, and when the dust clouds cleared heaps of refuse were visible. The missing music scores from 1961 were also discovered.

Upon completion, the director said, "We'll all breathe easier for it."

Mr. Bartfalvi's sixth period economics class found that "a shot a day keeps the doctor away." A shot of whiskey that is. It seems that alcohol helps keep the veins and arteries elastic so that they do not constrict and slow the blood flow.

The editorial staff wishes to correct an error that appeared on the last issue's sports page. During an interview, both Wally Bock and Mike Miles claimed victory in the summer basketball league. Actually, captain Dan Dougherty, Jeff Valentino, Leroy Evans, and L. P. Cvelbar were the members of the winning team.

The cheerleaders are showing their spirit in their own way. At the first home game, they adorned the locker room with giant suckers bearing signs "Lick'em Hornets!" At the Reynolds game, bubble gum was tagged "Chew 'em up, Hornets!" Tootsie Rolls supported the title "Hornet Fight lasts a long, long, time" at the Meadville game.

Cigar boxes will hold first aid kits this year. Mrs. Gerwing, school nurse, and her aides are painting them white during their time in the nurses office.

Bonfire Flares

Up Spirit Rally

The traditional Hornet Homecoming bonfire and pep rally will begin at 8 p.m. tonight at its new location east of the football field.

The blaze will be lit by the 1969 Homecoming Queen, Debby Amsdell, and her escort, Jeff Barker.

Serving his time in hell, the Sharpsville Blue Devil will burn in effigy to forecast his fate in the Homecoming game tomorrow.

Climaxing the rally will be a party for everyone at Linda Shaffer's house.

Billed to be the "biggest and best ever," the bonfire was built by the senior Hi-Y, under the direction of president, John Nestor.

The wood for the bonfire was obtained from the destruction of a log cabin and three outhouses, and was accumulated over a period of time.

"The bonfire is important because it is a great aid in helping to encourage the football players more than one would think. We want everyone to come out to yell and cheer and show their loyalty to our school. We want this bonfire to be the biggest and best ever," John stated.

Student Council is sponsoring the dance. Committee chairmen are Dan Dougherty, advertising; Bonnie Krickich, band; Bob Reagle, tickets and chaperones; Dave McQuiston, programs; Kirk Lary, risers; and Joe Gunn, flowers.

Students Elect Under Reforms

New election reforms brought slogans and campaign speeches to Hickory High this year as the senior and freshman classes elected their officers.

Heading the top spots in the senior class were Rusty King, president, and John Nestor, vice-president. Other officers were secretary, Linda Lou Shaffer, and treasurer, Tom Fagin.

Cliff Hood and Wally Krickich were elected as president and vice-president respectively. Sandy Burger and Patti Dugan were placed in office as secretary and treasurer.

Responsibility for the prom this year will be in the hands of junior president Jeff Barker. His other officers include Debbie Amsdell, vice-president, Patty Mort, secretary, and Becky Hamilton, treasurer.



Homecoming Court and escorts: Barry Oman, Lynn Gay Heatley, Jeff Barker, Debbie Amsdell, Fred Donnelly, and Candy Muller.

New History Classes In HHS

A new course, entitled Modern Problems, is being taught to sophomores at Hickory this year. The one semester course is taught by Mr. William Gibb.

During the first six weeks, the course deals with Negro history, and the students report on important figures and organizations.

Not only is history taught, but, present problems, such as integration and segregation, are discussed and explored.

The last 12 weeks of the course will concern such topics as drug addiction and alcohol,

problems that students are facing now or may face later in life.

Lecturing and student research make up the greater part of the course. Though a textbook is used, it is more or less just an outline, and the gaps must be filled in by Mr. Gibb or the students themselves.

The course is very different from the history course the sophomores used to receive. Mr. Gibb commented on this. "The students are not just receiving everything they've learned in history since they started school. The ma-

terial is new and the students, for once in their lives, have to study in a history course, instead of remembering facts they have learned in previous years."

Mr. Gibb feels that the course is interesting, but he says it will be even more interesting next semester, since he will have one semester of experience behind him.

After taking the semester course taught by Mr. Gibb, students will then switch to World Culture. This course deals with history from the beginning of civilization.



Stay inside the lines, Candy.

Science Department Heads Select Students to Aid Others in Lab

The new lab assistants for the coming year have been selected by the chemistry and biology teachers. The students were picked during the past six weeks according to their grades, interest, and ability in lab.

Biology lab assistants under Mr. DeVries include seniors Beverly Bressler, Lynn Gerber, John Black, Elaine Stefanick and Lynn Gay Heatley. Juniors are Jackie Baran and Devon Hughes.

Jay Laskey, Bill Feigert, Randy Yeiser, Chad Sed, Margie Everett, Chuck Rufenacht, and

Jeanine Churlik are the biology assistants under Mr. Parillo.

Chemistry assistants under Mr. Uzelac are juniors Ron Marenchin, James Hager, Debbie Rissinger, and Valerie Lee.

Lynn Monroe and Jerry Meyer are the senior lab assistants under Mr. Hunter.

John Black, Beverly Bressler, and Jerry Meyer are each starting their second year as lab assistants.

Functions of biology assistants include helping students with lab work, and preparing and grading dissection tests.

Chemistry assistants aid in preparing experiments and taking care of lab equipment.

GUIDANCE GUIDEPOST

Oct. 24--Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test

Oct. 25--National League of Nursing Test

Former FTA Member Becomes New Advisor

The Future Teachers Club came under new supervision this year, when Miss Mary Jo Bobbish became the advisor. She will be taking Mrs. Janice Johnson's place.

The job of advisor is to oversee the activities planned for the club by the officers and make sure that the school policy is kept.

Miss Bobbish, who was in the club when she attended school here, says, "When I was in the club, it wasn't very active. Mrs. Johnson has done a lot for the activeness of the club, and I only hope I can do as well."

There are 167 members in the club, and applications from juniors and seniors are still being accepted.

The officers of the club are Tom Fagan, president; John Nestor, first vice-president; Donna Richards, second vice-president; Becky Hamilton, secretary; Jon Snyder, treasurer; Rod Alexander, project chairman; and Helen Yewell, program chairman.

Plan For Bookstore Cancelled By Clubs For Upcoming Year

The paperback bookstore, started last year by the FBLA and the Library Club, will not be continued this year because of the disappearance of a number of books.

Mrs. Saxe, FBLA advisor, commented on the project. "At the end of the year, when the inventory was taken, 143 books were missing. As a result of the theft or giving away of these books, the profit of the year's work was only \$15. This is a very small amount to be divided

between two clubs for an entire year's effort.

"Since a few greedy or generous people did not properly appreciate the endeavor, the bookstore will not be continued this year."

The bookstore, which was set up near the auditorium, was the result of the combined efforts of the two clubs. The Library Club had charge of taking care of the books, while the FBLA members were in charge of the money and sales records.

Five Girls Qualify For Pageant

Five Hickory seniors Hancock, Hickory Leaf preliminary judging, are among the 18 finalists competing for the Mercer County Junior Miss title, Saturday, October 18, at Sharon High School.

Hickory contestants include Pam Aye, Yearbook Co-Editor, Bonnie



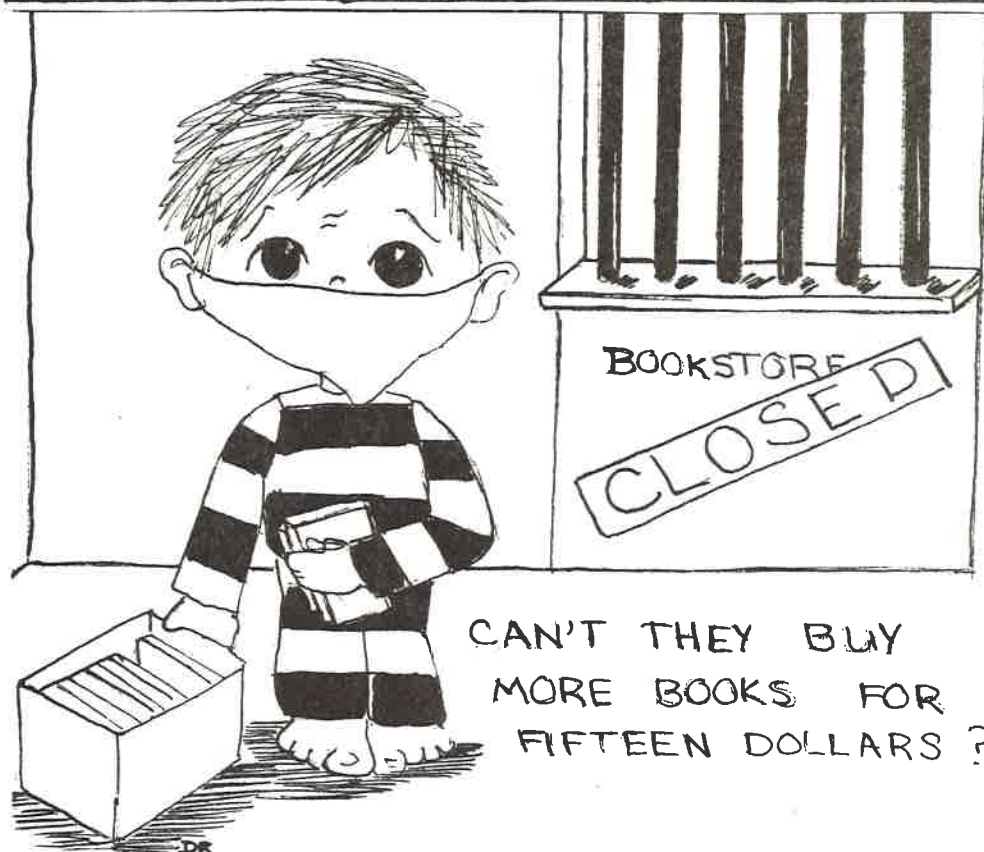
Junior Miss finalists Linda Lee Lawrence, Bonnie Hancock, Pam Aye, Lynn Gay Heatley, and Linda Lou Shaffer.

The next judging of the girls will be an interview Oct. 11, with Lou Shaffer, majorette. 50% of their score based on their responses. The night of the pageant, ratings will be on talent, poise and personality.

A dance routine, comprised of all the finalists, will be offered as entertainment for the audience.

Scholarship money, for this tenth annual event sponsored by the Shenango Valley Jaycees, has been donated by various businessmen from Mercer County.

Tickets, priced \$1 for students and \$1.50 for adults, are on sale now and may be purchased from any finalist.



CAN'T THEY BUY
MORE BOOKS FOR
FIFTEEN DOLLARS?

Football Field Qualifies As One of The World's Natural Wonders

by Mickey Sinkus

Due east of the high school is one of the natural wonders of the world. The area is either a dusty desert or a soggy mire. It supports only the hardiest species of vegetation.

This description gives a very accurate picture of the playing surface of our football field. The only reason that it is a wonder of the world is because the world wonders how anyone can play football there.

Throughout the summer, the sun burns out the grass and bakes the field until it is hard as rock. When it comes time for summer football sessions, a very unpleasant situation exists. Literally, pounds of dust are swallowed by the players as they go through their workouts. Injuries are more possible due to the hardness of the field.

As one football player put it, "The guys with grass allergies don't have much to worry about, but the others, allergic to dust, live in misery."

With the annual fall rains comes another extreme. The playing field is turned into a sea of mud. Again, another disagreeable and dangerous situation presents itself. Football players wallow without traction, in the marsh-like conditions. Slips and falls lead to pulled muscles and broken bones. Even the band is stymied in its efforts to march, and in some cases, can't even perform.

About four years ago, an effort was made to better the field. The building of the camelback down the middle of the field was designed to improve drainage, but because of poor construction, the planned system doesn't work and is very unsightly.

The school board should be made to realize these problems. Then, the board should turn the field over to a landscaper and have him do the job right. The resulting facility would be an asset to Hickory's athletic system.

SGH Pediatrics Playroom Profits From Candy Striper Candy Sale

On September 13, Sharon General Hospital Candy Strippers began the sale of "World's Finest" chocolate bars to their fellow students, relatives and neighbors.

The funds raised from the project will be used to refurbish Sharon General's fourth floor playroom.

The playroom, which is in the Pediatrics ward, will be refurbished with tables and chairs and also new toys and

books.

The aquarium, which presently contains several varieties of tropical fish, will be cleaned and re-landscaped.

The organization, which is affiliated with Sharon General Hospital's Auxiliary Unit II, will be celebrating its eleventh anniversary at SGH this October.

The girls assist members of Auxiliary Unit II by working in the Lob-

by Shop. Services to the hospital include work in Pharmacy, Pediatrics, Emergency Room, the Dietary Department and Escort Service.

A non-profit organization, the Candy Strippers also sell newspapers and items from the Lobby Cart to patients.

The group consists of high school girls who donate at least four hours of their time to the hospital each month.

Forms Form Formidable Frightening Formalities

by Ron Marenchin

It's been said, "A man may work from sun to sun, but a student's homework is never done." The burden is multiplied by those necessary evils called "forms," over 100 species of which are found at Hickory.

The greatest number of forms is kept by the nurse. Students must complete as many as 18 forms, excuses, reports, histories, tests, and records.

But the forms students encounter most are passes—at least 10 different kinds in assorted sizes and colors.

The yellow "pass" and the library permit are the most common, but the category, while excluding football passes, also includes passes for changing schedules, using the telephones; leaving, entering, and using the building; using restrooms, eating lunch, and, of course the 'Misconduct Record,' more popularly known as the "Pinky."

Teachers, not immune

to health slips, also have forms for absences, lunches, substitution for other teachers, and the "Request for Supplies," which is used primarily to acquire all the other passes.

Some other forms are schedules, petitions, ballots, surveys, folders, memos, book cards and labels, "super" library passes, and the epitome of all forms, the "Report Slip." This slip proves that students are similar to fish, since both live below "C" level.

If you find form-filling tedious, take heart in the words of the philosopher, who, asked to quote a statement holding true in all situations, replied: "This, too, shall pass away."

Until that time comes to pass, all that students are permitted to slip by with, is to survey their own thoughts and form their own opinions.

FNA Features Float

A float, staging a display highlighting physical and occupational therapy, education and hearing, was decorated by the Future Nurses' Club for the United Fund Parade on September 29.

The float, decorated in white, orange, yellow and green, was sponsored by the Mercer County Crippled Children's Home, and was part of the parade which was held to show the number of organizations supported by the United Fund.

for the boys' gym.

This year, the girls will continue their work at the hospital. They are also making emergency first aid kits for areas around the school. The girls also hope to raise enough funds to buy emergency splints for the girls' gym.

The Future Nurses past activities include volunteer work at Sharon General Hospital, giving parties at the workshop for the retarded, selling candy, and purchasing emergency splints



Hickory students worked together on the FNA float presented in United Fund Parade.

Footballers Taste Victory

The Hickory gridders have evened their record at 2-2, with Saturday victories over Reynolds and Meadville.

Reynolds met a Hickory squad determined to break into the win column, while also avenging last year's defeat. Hickory struck first, after a blocked punt by Mick Bolt. Dan Dougherty took it across from six yards out.

On the following kickoff, Hickory blasted the Reynolds ballcar-

rier, causing a fumble that was picked up by another Raider who sprinted for a touchdown. The extra points gave Hickory a 17-16 victory. The following game produced one of the biggest romps in Hickory's football history, as five touchdowns and five extra points gave the Hornets a 35-0 victory.

In the second stanza, Reynolds drove 28 yards for a touchdown and Hickory's Dougherty kicked a 25-yard field goal to make the score



Hornet Joe Gunn leaps over the goal line to score another six points for Hickory in the Meadville game.

Jumping Will Highlight Winter's Gym Education

Gym classes will be flying high this fall. A full-size trampoline has been added to Hickory's gymnastic facilities.

The new tramp represents a dream come true for Mr. Jack Miller. He has been persuading the administration for the funds to purchase the trampoline for many years.

In an effort to prove that more and better gymnastic equipment was

needed, the physical education department initiated a gymnastic demonstration last winter. Because a very large number of students performed on the inadequate apparatus, the program showed the need for more equipment.

Mr. Miller feels that because of the favorable response to the program, more funds were released. This allowed for the purchase of the new tramp.



Dave Lawton and Keith Lustig--Athletes of the Month.

Athletes Named For October

Keith Lustig and Dave Lawton have been named athletes of the month of October by their respective coaches.

Lustig received this honor for his outstanding performances at defensive safety. Coach Lazorishak commented on his choice, "Keith has been picked twice as back of the week. He's done a good job."

Coach Bavola named Dave Lawton as the cross-country athlete of the month. He remarked, "Dave is the team leader whose dedication seems contagious."

Lawton has placed first in six of the seven cross country meets. His only loss came at the hands of Dennis Fell of Greenville, but Dave later avenged this defeat.

Lustig has earned letters for the last two football campaigns. He also competes in wrestling, where he has also lettered, and track and field.



Alex Kasich strides for the finish line.

Alumnus Is in Top Ten

Denny Morgenstern, 1969 graduate of Hickory High School, has been named the top sharpshooter of the nation. At one of the 73 sectional tournaments of the 1969 Indoor Rifle and Pistol Championships, he shot a 782 out of a possible 800.

The individual rifle championship, which Denny participated in, consisted of an aggregate of 20 shots in the position of prone, kneeling, sitting and off hand. All firing was at 50 feet with any (telescopic) sights.

In all, the 73 sections drew 3970 individuals and 561 teams. For individual rifle shooters, they were sectioned into classes of open, woman and civilian. The civilian section was categorized into classes of master, expert, sharpshooter and marksman.

Morgenstern was on the Hickory rifle team for three years and was one of the top shooters.

He also shot on a non-school team which was chaperoned by Mr. Fred Roeding.

Denny is currently attending West Point Military Academy.

Shooters Take Summer Titles

This summer saw many honors fall to Hickory marksmen. Last year's A team took third place in national competition, which involved 730 teams. The B team tied for tenth place.

This year the team will be coached by Dave Avril, former student and member of the rifle team at Hickory.

The team, to be formed in late November after three tryout rounds, will be shooting for Hickory's 23 straight win. Hickory will again be in the Steel Valley Junior League, along with 13 other schools.

Dave Avril, Phil Whitworth, Bob Avril, and several other Hickory marksmen, captured many titles in the Clarion Open, Akron-Good-year Zepplin Tournament, Jamestown Invitational and several other contests this summer.

Two members of last year's rifle team were honored as state athletes. Dave Avril and Dennis Morganstern, both 1969 graduates, were named to last year's first string state team. Dave won the national title in the overall expert class, while Dennis captured the sharpshooter class.

Harriers Continue Victory Skein

The Hickory cross-country team has pulled it's victory skein to 7, after losing it's opening meet to Franklin.

The first of the shut-outs came against Rocky Grove, while Farrell received the second white-washing. Linesville was the Hornet's third victim. Other victories have been recorded over Reynolds, 20-35, Sharon,

24-36, and Greenville twice, 27-28 and 18-37.

Dave Lawton has continued his phenomenal running, and has been beaten only once this year. His only loss came in the first meet, when he was defeated by Greenville's ace, Dennis Fell, in a photo finish. Lawton avenged this defeat by convincingly beating Fell in a re-

turn meet.

Lawton attributes his success to "long hours of hard training and the determination to go out and win."

Other consistent performers include Alex Kasich, junior, and the King brothers, Rusty and Sam, Tom Dout, Jake Ratliff, Ron Jackson, and Dean Rice, all seniors.