

Hickory Students Join The Ranks of Achievers

Eighty students from Hickory High School are among 249,000 teenagers, across the United States and in seven foreign countries, taking part in Junior Achievement. The program this year totaled 400 applicants and could only accept 210 due to the lack of facilities. The Junior Achievement center in Sharon is located at 57 Sharpsville Ave., and serves seven local area high schools. The center consists of eight companies which are sponsored by the local business corporations located throughout Shenango Valley. Each of the companies is responsible for a company name, records, production, and other responsibilities which major corporations face. Most of the companies have started production and are taking orders for their products. First-aid kits, coat hangers, and plastic flowers are some of the products. Mr. Brooks, the center's director, stated, "I feel that there is more enthusiasm shown this year than in previous years."



Juniors show enthusiasm for Junior Achievement.

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'Our Town' Invades School

What happens after death? Well, this question will, in a sense, be answered for the senior class of Hickory High School as they ready themselves for Thornton Wilder's production of "Our Town," to be presented next month in the senior high auditorium. To be presented on two nights, Nov. 21 and 22, the play takes place at the turn of the century in a small New England town. Some of the town's people are portrayed after death,

as they are able to continue to watch life as it goes on in the world above. The main character, Emily, is given a chance to go back and observe herself living for one day and she accepts the challenge. What happens next will prove interesting to all who attend.

NEWSMAKERS : Distant Observer Imagines Scenes of Sherwood Forest

When two girls, one tall and one short, reported for gym class and headed for the targets totting archery equipment, a masculine voice from across the field, announced, "Look! Here come Robin Hood and Little John!"

Mrs. Reynolds' eighth period gym classes play volleyball together. Whenever the girls change lines, they yell, "A tree grows!" This started when Miss McKown heard a girl shout, "Let's change rows!" and mistook it for "A tree grows!" because of the noise.

Miss McKown's and

Tricksters Trail Treaters; Terminates in Trap

Tricksters, the time has come! There are windows to be soaped, pumpkins to smash, and innocent Halloweeners to torment. It's time to pay back all the neighbors who were ever mean and nasty. It's also time to BEWARE!

The Hickory Township police will be out in full force, according to Police Chief John Whitmore, to protect the rights of all Halloweeners who might be prey for the pranks of older boys.

During the Halloween season, the township is divided into districts. Each district always has a certain number of policemen, but for Halloween, booster patrols, in private cars, are used.

These police patrol their districts and watch for pranksters. Their chief concerns are to protect younger children and to prevent any acts of destructive vandalism to homes or property.

A law is provided by the state that allows for the indictment and prosecution of any juvenile who is involved in acts of destructive vandalism, and holds his

Halloween Party for Retarded Sponsored by Future Nurses

Future Nurses club will stage a Halloween party on October 27 at the workshop of the Mer County Association for the Retarded.

Activities will include games, skits, and singing. Refreshments will be served.

The Future Nurses gave two parties at the workshop last year, one of which was for Halloween. For the spring party, the girls used a Spanish theme.

Skits at the spring party included a bull-

fight and "Hansel and Gretel," but the breaking of the pinata was the highlight.

The Future Nurses are hoping that this year's party can be as successful as their Spanish Fiesta, according to Diane Zigo, president of the club. Other officers include Bonnie Voyda, vice-president; Kathy O'Leary, secretary; Dawn Gearhart, treasurer; and Mary Ellen Malone, program chairman.

The field trip for the senior girls to Leland Golf Club yielded some interesting results. Finishing with the highest score was Terri Hickey. She fired a 179, 152 strokes over par for the six holes played. Lefty, Debbie Martin scored an amazing 68. It was amazing because she did it with only one club, the putter.



Seniors Larry Long, Jeannie Fair and Carol Hubbard try out for Senior Class Play "Our Town," under the direction of Mrs. Parrish.



"Lucky there isn't much traffic up here!"

Beatles Do It Again In Latest Album Release

by Allison Zippay
As a result of a recording session last summer, in which, as John Lennon put it, all four were "feeling funky at the same time," the Beatles released their latest album "Abbey Road."

The album is a successful blend of simple, harmonious rock and uncomplicated forms.

It reverts back to the style of their earlier works, "Revolver" and "Rubber Soul," and generally stays clear of the electronic gimmicks which were found in compositions such as "Sgt. Pepper."

"Abbey Road" is full of new, potent material, including the witty "Maxwell's Silver Hammer," the rhythmic swinger "Come Together," and Bach influenced "Because." Perhaps the best song on the album is "Something," a ballad written and sung by George Harrison.

Concluding the track, is a unique ditty by Paul

McCartney, in which he refers to the Queen of England as he sings: "Her Majesty's a pretty nice girl...Someday I'm gonna make her mine."

This album again establishes the Beatles as being among the most inventive and original musicians of our time.

Co-educational Gym Classes Appear in School Curriculum

Senior students in second period gym classes are due for a change. These classes are going to start co-ed gym classes during the second six weeks. Mr. Miller and Miss McKown are going to coach them in such activities as volleyball, table tennis and bridge.

Most girls would be shocked upon learning that they were to have a mixed gym class. However, Miss McKown stated that the girls seemed "very interested."

Active Leaders to Schedule Hayride

Leader's Club, under President Pam Lowry, has planned an active year. The 46 leaders have sold 75 Hickory Hornet license plates during October. The profits from the activity will be used to buy additional gymnastics equipment.

The members of the club are having a hayride from 7:30-11 November 8. It will be held in Transfer, Pa. and the wagon, hay, and a bonfire will be provided by the farmer, Mr. Wiliman.

Other activities planned by the Leader's Club include a volleyball tournament and a open gym after school. President Pam Lowry says, "The club can really be active if the members want it to be."

Other officers include Elaine Stefanick, vice-president; Jamie Mong, Secretary; Evelyn Banjak, program chairman. The advisor of the club is Miss Sally McKown.

When asked what her reaction was, Virginia Tiernan replied, "I wonder what we will be playing, but it should be fun all the same."

So far as it's known, Hickory has never had a co-ed gym class in its history. This new venture will help them participate more fully in the various games.



Cheerleaders Lynn Gay Heatley and Candy Muller actively show their team spirit.

Energetic Cheerleaders Deserve Much Credit

by Patti Thomas

"School spirit has greatly increased since September, and much credit is due our cheerleaders for their outstanding success," remarked Coach Ted Lazorishak.

Their work began in August, while most students were still celebrating summer vacation. Many plans had to be completed before school opened, and the girls worked hard.

Cheers had to be practiced and new ones learned. Uniforms had to be bought, made, and altered, until everything was perfect. Time was taken to make signs and plan the "Spirit Campaign".

When school opened, the work continued. Buses had to be chartered

for games, and all the arrangements made. Pep assemblies needed scheduled, while many ideas were being stopped by the administration.

Yet, through all of this, the cheerleaders have managed to stay out of the football and track teams' ways, and remain energetic and full of new ideas.

Leading the campaign is Candy Muller, head of the varsity cheerleaders. Janine O'Malley is the junior varsity captain, and Mrs. Reynolds advises both of the groups.

The work and confusion will continue all year, and we only hope the cheerleaders can keep up the great job they've been doing.

To Eat Or Not To Eat At Noon Time, Merely A Matter Of Taste

by Ron Marenchin

It's been said, "The way to a man's stomach is through his heartburn." With this in mind, a survey has been taken into the school cafeteria.

The cafeteria has 51 oblong tables in 4 styles; 13 square, and 11 round tables. With room for 515 chairs, it actually has 488, coming in two types and four colors- 92 greens, 113 yellows, 161 reds, and 122 whites.

On the average, 454 students and 15 adults buy lunches daily, with

464 separate milks being sold.

Ice cream is quite popular, with a two-week consumption of 4120 sandwiches, 3492 drumsticks, 940 fudge bars, 600 ice cream bars and 200 toffee bars; an average of 3/5 of an ice cream per person per day.

A related poll of faculty members, to which about half replied, shows that most teachers either bring their lunch and eat some where besides the cafeteria, or don't eat

at all. Many consider the cafeteria overcrowded, noisy, and messy, but rate the food as fair.

A few suggestions include larger portions, a choice of food on the menu, weekly tickets, weekly menus, and acoustical tile. There are bright spots too. For example, one teacher praised students for improved conduct over previous years.

These results really take the cake, and should be sufficient food for thought to sink one's teeth into.

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Senior Impressionist Shows Unusual Skill

By Ed Rock

If, by chance, you happen to be walking down the hall and you hear the voice of Walter Brennen, Jimmy Stuart or John Wayne, do not become overly excited.

In actuality, the words spoken are probably from the lips of none of these people. It is a good bet that they are flowing from the talented mouth of senior impressionist Ron Crisan.

Ron has been building his repertoire of imitated characters for almost two years, and it includes not only a host of television, and movie favorites, but also a few favorites from the high school.

Crisan has entertained the seniors af-

ter lunch in the courtyard and cafeteria.

The master of ceremonies of Ron's own little show is Ed Sullivan. Ed introduces his first guest, usually Walter Brennen, who was Ron's first imitative accomplishment. Brennen leads into Jimmy Stuart doing his big showdown scene. Walter Cronkite then breaks in with a news flash.



"Stop that Rochester!" says Ron Crisan as he impersonates Jack Benny.

Sophomores Leading In Cheerleading Campaign

By Candy Muller

Competition among classes is rising as the "spirit campaign" goes on. Sophomores are leading the campaign with their cheer, "Hey-Hey-Hey-Hurrah! Hurrah!"

Cheerleaders are very happy with the "effort, endurance and enthusiasm" put forth by classes. They feel the students are reflecting their pride for their school and for their friends.

Sophomores initiated Hickory's first human

tunnel for the team at the Corry game. Juniors and Seniors are battling with their signs and attendance. Cheerleaders are hoping the classes will keep up the campaign and make the 1969-70 school year the "spirit year."

Club Reorganized Under Mrs. Miller

Following two years of non-existence, the French club was reorganized under the direction of Mrs. Miller.

The French club's main undertaking is to further students' understanding of the French culture.

All meetings of the club are to be conducted solely in the French language. The members also hope to correspond with people of their own age group living in France.

The constitution now allows students who have had at least two years of French, but are not presently studying French, to be members. This is so many of last year's students can be members, since no club existed last year.

The newly elected officers are Irene Sarver, president; Libby Morris, vice-president; Mary Lee Perry, treasurer; and Linda Goodwin, secretary.

Judges Missing From Democracy

by Mickey Sinkus

Numerous attempts have been made by students and administrators to set up a "student democracy." Student Council and class officers are outgrowths of these attempts. But one essential part of American democracy has been left out of Hickory's democracy, that is, a student judicial body.

Under a democratic system, the courts serve as interpreters of the law. But between any two people, interpretations of one situation can and does differ drastically.

In the case of young versus old, differing views and outlooks always seem to exist. Consequently, the reasoning and advice of older people will not always be accepted by members of a younger group.

Mr. Seaman, the vice-principal, serves as the school's disciplinarian. He is the interpreter of school policy. But because he is not

a student, he does not always view situations as the student does.

The judicial gap in the school could be eliminated by a student board of judges. In many cases, a younger person's motives could be more readily understood by the student board, since the members may themselves have experienced similar situations while at school.

It must be realized that all disciplinary problems could not be under the jurisdiction of the court. Mr. Seaman would serve as the court's advisor and would dictate the cases judgable by the board.

Student judicial groups are operating in many high schools and colleges throughout the country. Their existence proves the effectiveness of the system.

If set up by next semester, the effectiveness of the court could be evaluated, and the future existence of the board could be decided.

Band Finishes Long Season

The 1969 Hickory Hornet marching band opened its season with summer practice, beginning August 25, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Under the direction of Mr. Phillip Kulusich and Mr. John Murcko, the band learned steps and music, often before the eyes of rival musicians from area high school.

Squad maneuvers, min-strel turns and a kick step routine to such marches as "Mustang!" and "Valley Forge," opened halftime shows at home and away.

"Everything's Coming Up Roses," "Hey, Look Me Over," and other popular tunes, accompanied the majorettes in twirling by Head Majorette, Bonnie Krickich.

The National Anthem, Alma Mater and Fight Song rounded out a typical game repertoire.

The band journeyed to Slippery Rock State College, October 18, to play with other high school bands in the traditional Band Day Festival during SRSC's football game.

Although plagued by discipline problems and a dusty, rutted football field, Mr. Kulusich stated that the band is finally getting the spirit of things, and working to perfect its shows.

Curvature Curves Stupka Recovery

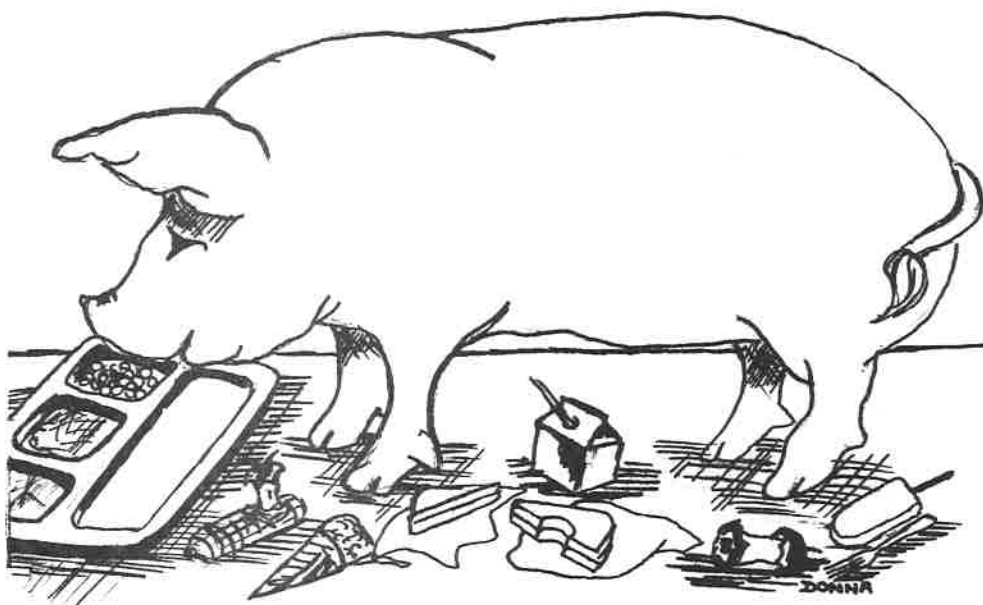
Learning to walk is proving to be a challenge for Marti Stupka, sophomore. Marti underwent a back operation for spinal curvature last June.

Physical therapy is helping to strengthen her body, which has been in a cast for three months.

Marti has been keeping up with her school work through the efforts of Mr. Philip O'Mahen. "The work isn't too difficult," she says, "but trying to write while lying flat on your back is!"

As a reminder of her operation, Marti will have her cast, which has been autographed and colorfully decorated by the many friends who have visited her during her recovery.

Look Familiar?





Hornet Dave Ruffo tries a slant around left end in the Hickory-Sharpsville game.

Board Realizes Problem Of Poor Football Field

By Mickey Sinkus

The realization that a problem exists is a major step toward the solving of the problem. The school board has noticed that a problem exists.

At the last meeting of the board, it was decided that the football field should be improved. During their discussion of the problem, they decided that the complete sodding of the field would prove too costly.

Instead, they allotted money for the removal of the camelback and for the purchase of grass seed.

The school board should be praised for their action thus far, but it must be realized that a bag of grass seed and a little water is not all that is needed to change that God-forsaken plot of land into a lush place of beauty.

Efforts have been made in the past to improve the playing surface. All of these attempts have ended in failure, as proven by the looks of the field today.

If another shoddy, financially limited job is again undertaken, the field will be no better off than it is now.

Unless the board supervises the decided repairs to make sure they are correctly done, there will be an unnecessary waste of the taxpayers' money.

Homecoming Victory Evens Up Record

The Hickory gridders received their third setback of the season at the hands of a big and rugged team from Corry. In the first gridiron contest ever held between the schools Corry emerged on the long end of a 32-11 count.

However, the score is no indication of the excitement involved in what was a closely fought contest up to the final minutes of the fourth quarter.

A halftime deficit of

12-3 did not dull the Hornet optimism as the third stanza remained a stand-off. But late in the game the Corry offense broke loose, Hickory wingback George Bock tallied Hickory's only touchdown.

The toe of Dan Dougherty provided Hickory's scoring as he booted three field goals to give the Hornet's a 9-0 victory in the Homecoming game against Sharpsville.

Two of the kicks came

in the first half as the Hornets went to the locker room ahead 6-0. In the second half, however, a determined Sharpsville offense mounted serious scoring threats only to be stymied by a tough and talented Hickory defense.

Highlighting the Hornet defensive effort were three intercepted

passes. Keith Lustig nabbed two and Bob Lichvar and Brad Talowsky each caught one as Dougherty added another field goal for the 9-0 count.

J.V. Team Upsets Reynolds

The Junior Varsity football squad brought out its heavy artillery and smashed to a 16-6 victory over Reynolds.

After losing to Meadville, Greenville, Grove City, Sharon, and Sharpsville, the J.V. team snapped back to overpower Reynolds.

Leading the team's victory efforts were L.P. Cvelbar, Jim Long, and Drew Welch.

The 9th grade football team had better luck in their season

with a record of 2-1-1. Losing to Sharpsville, the team made a comeback defeating Mercer, Grove City, and tying Reynolds.

Their final game is Oct. 23, with Reynolds.

Mr. Habel, 9th grade head coach commented, "The philosophy of the 9th grade football is to teach the boys how to play the game, therefore, we were disappointed in the turnout of only 30 boys. We hope to have twice that many next year."

Assistant 9th grade coaches are Mr. Kornbau and Mr. Murrin.

Seniors Invade Leeland Golf Club for Education In Chasing White Balls

Three of the senior gym classes invaded Leeland Golf Course two weeks ago in an effort to get students to use their leisure time wisely.



Mr. Miller shows perfect amateur form.

Mr. Jack Miller and Mr. George Lewis took a group of boys on Monday, October 6. Miss Sally McKown took her second period class the following day, and on Thursday, October 9, Mrs. Reynolds went to the course with her class.

"One of the major problems facing the nation today is the problem of increased leisure time. We're teaching individual sports, like golf, to the seniors, in an effort to enable students to use their leisure time wisely and beneficially," says Miss McKown.

The scores covered a wide range, from a 41 by Mickey Sinkus for nine holes to a 179 by Terri Hickey for five holes.

SPORTS CARD

October 25
Cross Country
District Meet
Football
Oil City at home
October 31
Football
at Grove City
November 1
Basketball practice begins
November 8
Football Banquet

Hornets Scamper To Very Successful Year

Dave Lawton and Al Kasich again lead the Hornet Cross-countrymen to the line as the team slammed home three more victories over rival harriers.

The defeats were handed to Seneca Valley 19 to 36 and Linesville 15 to 50 duel meets, while Farrel and Champion, Ohio placed second and third respectively in a triangular meet.

The wins boosted Hickory's win skein to ten. This season's only loss came at the hands of Greenville which was later revenged with a score of 18 to 37.

"This highly successful season was due to a fine team and a great effort by all the Hornet runners," said Dave Lawton, team leader.

Hickory's most consistent runners are Seniors Sam and Rusty King, Lee Ratliff, Ron Jackson, Jeff Alexander, Juniors Dave Lawton, Dennis Ryan, Dick Kear, Chuck Rufenacht and Sophomore Al Kasich.



Dave Lawton dances across the finish line for another first in the Farrell Champion Triangular meet.