



Jeanie Mitchell is the first president of TAR.

Local Chapter TAR Formed

Young people are taking an interest in politics. Evidence of this was shown last October when TAR, Teenage Republicans, was organized under the sponsorship of the Hickory Republican Women's Club.

The purpose of the organization is to learn how the Republican party functions, support Republican candidates during campaigns, and expound Republican ideas and beliefs.

The Hickory TAR is a part of the National organization which has its headquarters in Washington D.C., with chapters throughout many cities in the United States.

Officers of the Hickory, TAR, which contains approximately 20 members, are Jean Mitchell, president; Bruce Hause, vice president; Sheryl Thalman, secretary; Patty Siefert, treasurer; and Craig Godfrey, chaplain.

Anyone interested in joining this organization can contact Chris Rock or Mrs. Ruth Siefert.

Elections Provide School Directors To Serve for Upcoming Three Years

On November 5, the fate of the Hickory Township schools was placed in the hands of the voting public as they went to the polls. Three new school board members had to be elected to aid in the operation of the school system.

Vying for positions on the board were Lawrence G. Kuhn, James Patrizi, and George J. Terpack, all Democrats. Opposing these three on the Republican ticket were Dr. Lynn J. Brumm, B.W.O. Dickinson, and Duane E. McCullough.

Dr. Brumm, Mr. Dickinson, and Mr. McCullough all ran as incumbents.

After being returned to their places on the board, Dr. Brumm and Mr. McCullough were joined by a new member, James Patrizi, the only Democrat to be elected to the board this year.

Mr. Patrizi comes to Hickory with a rather long history in politics. He has served as treasurer of the Democratic party in Mercer County and is presently

Cast 'Unknown' in Senior Play Tonight

The first showing of "Our Town" will open tonight at 8 p.m. This senior class play will have an unannounced cast.

The female leads were double-cast. Mrs. Alyce Parrish, director, says of the students, "I want them to go to see the play, not a particular person." Mrs. Parrish also stated that this is a theatrical tradition, and that the girls are "equally good."

The program will have a supplement each night with the evening's cast. Carol McKenna is chairman for the programs. Mr. Beason is printing them.

The play will last about 2 hours. The few intermissions will be short, since there is no scenery to be changed.

Portraying Emily, the female lead, will be Pam Aye and Judy Kopen. The male lead, as a stage manager, was earned by Dennis Curtis.

Lyle Forsberg will be George, while Gail Barnes and Bonnie Hancock play Mrs. Webb. Denny Fike will be the organist and Dana Jones and Carol Chubawill act as Mrs. Gibbs.

Gary Anderson, Pam Lowry, Terry Zahnizer, Ed Rock, Linda Smith, Nick Leon, Paul Saxe and Keith Lustig are appearing in the production.

Others in the play are Mike Miles, Debbie Sikora, Wally Bock, Tom

Cuba, Jean Fair, Tom Fagan, Larry Long and John Nestor.

No student director was necessary because of the help from student teacher, Mr. Bartfalvi, and Jim Baldwin, a college student and friend of Mr. Bartfalvi.

Patty Hoffman is the prompter and Larry Long is the stage manager.

Committee chairmen are Donna Masters, costumes, Sharon Germano, make-up, Barb Livingston, publicity and tickets, and Patty Creaser, ushers.

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Student Rediscovers Old Melody

In harmony class, Helen Yewell composed a melody for an assignment. She thought it was a great tune, and so did Mr. Groves. Only he had heard it before—it was the finale to Beethoven's Fifth Symphony!

Karen Linonis has a very peculiar interest. She wishes to pursue the field of Parapsychology. That is, the pursuit of ghost finding.

A grouse for the teacher! Mr. Tupper was confronted with a dead grouse, thoughtfully

placed on his desk by two admiring students. Mr. Walker confiscated the grouse and stuffed it.

Some people collect stamps, others salt and pepper shakers, match boxes, coins, and many more. But Betty Oliver and Linda Kilgore are in a class by themselves. They count sneezes. Last year Betty counted 1789 sneezes, with only about 500 for Linda. So far this year it's Betty, 984, Linda, 371.

Students in Mr. Hunter's chemistry classes are participating in

a historical scientific event. It seems that Mr. Hunter has a newly discovered 104th element—Huntarium.

There are only two main things wrong with Norman Horvath. One, he bets a lot, and two, he invariably loses. At the time of this writing, he owes Mr. Moore 16 chocolate milkshakes and Mr. Miller 100 chocolate milks, as the result of one volleyball game in gym.

It's that time of year again, as the stores have been telling us since mid-October. Only 28 shopping days to Christmas.

Aides Chosen for Rehabilitation of Crippled Children

Beginning Monday morning, November 3, six swimming teams, composed of 34 volunteers, and three alternate teams composed of 15 members, will once again begin another season's swimming program at the Crippled Children's School.

Every Monday and Tuesday until next May, the students will aid the handicapped children in learning to swim. The warm water of the shallow pool is thought to be good therapy for paralyzed limbs.

The volunteers' duties include assisting the children with their braces and attending them in the pool.

Many students are eager to help the handicapped children, even though there is no reward other than a certificate presented at the end of the year.



Kathy O'Leary, Jay Laskey, Paula Ulan are currently involved in the swimming program at the Crippled Children's Home.

The Making of the President: 1996

The students of Hickory High can take pride in the fact that they daily associate with a future President of the United States. He is none



In '96 vote Ed Junk--a man of our time.

other than that hysterical historian, Edward Junk.

Ed's hobby is political history and he'd like to make politics his career. He collects phonograph records of historical voices, which he imitates with a great deal of skill. For example, when asked how long he'd been interested in politics, Ed replied with a George Wallacistic, "Ah loonga thyme!"

His knowledge of the Presidents is unimpeachable, especially on his favorite, Woodrow Wilson. This knowledge has occasionally brought grief to Mr. Smargiasso, Ed's American history teacher. Of Ed he says, "Ed's head and shoulders

above any history student I've had."

However, in other subjects he's more human. In gym, for instance, Ed is constantly striving to break the nine minute mile.

Ed is not just planning for the future, he is acting today. He heads the school's only political party--the Alliance for Victory, or AFV. This was the party that supported Joe Gunn in his successful campaign for junior class representative in the student council last spring. It hopes to run a full slate of candidates in May.

To some, this may seem like foolishness, but like Ed says, "After all that trash, why not Junk?"

Open House Adds Spark To Parent-Teacher Relationship

The senior high open house was held during National Education Week on Thursday, November 14 from 7:00 until 9:00 in the evening. The purpose of open house was for parents to get acquainted with the teachers.

When asked to comment about open house Mr. Uzelac, junior chemistry teacher replied, "It's a mystery why only the

parents of the good students know there is an open house." He offered the suggestion of changing

the open house so parents would follow their child's schedule on a 10-minute period basis. Mr. Listopad feels that open house is an excellent idea and should be held more than once a year. When asked about open house Miss Rutter, Latin teacher, replied "No comment."

Student opinion on open house was varied. Some felt that open house was useless because the kids didn't

care and the parents didn't come. Others felt that open house showed that parents were interested in what their children were doing.

Sophomore Cliff Boyer commented, "It's not a bad idea, if it were only 15 minutes long."

Dual Speakers Dredge Drudgery out of Drugs

by Dawnelle Batcher

If you had gone to the November meeting of the PTA expecting to be bored by a typical, drawn-out lecture on the evils of drugs and drug addiction, you would have been sorely disappointed.

Mr. Willis Brinker, probation officer for Mercer County since 1962, spoke briefly on the subject and then introduced Gilbert Alicia, an 18-year-old former drug addict from New York City.

Mr. Alicia, a well-dressed, soft-spoken young man who communicated well with both parents and students, did not say, as many lecturers before him have, that drugs are evil or wrong.

He didn't need to--one discovered it on his own, simply by listening to the story of his life.

His life was parallel to that of other drug addicts. A victim of an alcoholic father and the dares of his friends, he tried marijuana at the age of 14, "progressed" through cocaine, LSD and other drugs, until he was addicted to heroin at age 16.

Then he discovered Teen Challenge. Created by a Philipsburg, Pa. minister in 1957, Teen Challenge is centered at Rearsburg, Pa. with 34 induction centers throughout the U.S.

Young addicts, with the assistance of Teen Challenge, cease drug taking "cold turkey." They use no substitutes for drugs other than faith in God.

Mr. Alicia terms his 20 months with Teen Challenge "the happiest days of my life." He now plans to become a minister.

sits idle while their school functions dwindle. It is clearly time for a change.

A change can take place only if our class officers will rally the student body into a unit determined behind a common goal of preserving student activities. Once united, the students' pleas would be listened to by a more lenient ear, and the return of lost student activities would prove a simple task.

Respectfully yours,
Mike Miles

Dear Editor:

Re: several errata in your recent rather flattering article about me in the Hickory Leaf.

I am sorry to report that I graduated from Dartmouth neither first in my class, nor with straight "A's". This latter feat, incidentally, while never to my knowledge having been accomplished, nevertheless has been approximated rather more closely by a veritable horde of otherwise undistinguished scholars, than by myself.

As for the words of praise imputed to my good friend Richard Eberhart (though here, too, your reporter was kind enough to exaggerate ever so slightly in my favor), I shall accept them, as Willie Yeats' father once suggested, if not with honor, then with alacrity.

Sincerely,
Gregory Curtis

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Have They Put Us in a Prison or a Playpen?



Miles Marks Measures Senior Class Must Take

Dear Editor:

Last year our school board decided to take away the senior class trip. In ten weeks of this year, the administration has taken away the Sadie Hawkins Dance, permission to produce a musical comedy, music in the cafeteria, and two pep assemblies.

If you think this is a meager number, count the student activities that remain. If the current trend persists, the class of 1975 may graduate having never taken part in an extra-curricular activity.

Yet the student body

Since November 3. . .

Matmen Trim for Season

The defending Section III wrestling champions have begun practice for the 1969-70 season.

Head coach, Mr. George Lewis has commented on the turnout thus far this season by saying, "So far, the response has been good, and if we can keep the 50 or 60 boys out we'll be in business."

With a large amount of lettermen returning this season, hopes are high for another Section title. Title holders Mark Flint and Keith Miller are optimistic about the upcoming season.

A fine group of underclassmen have re-

sponded to the physical fitness program, many of which plan to wrestle during the season.

Competition for the weight divisions will be very keen, and as Coach Moore pointed out, "No boy has any particular weight division sewed up. Everyone has a chance to wrestle."

The Hornet squad goes into competition on December 8, when it will face a tough group from Seneca Valley. The second match will show the Hornets venturing to West Middlesex.

Last year, the Varsity posted a successful 10-2 record.

Annual Banquet Honors Footballers For Season

by Bill Moder

The football team was honored by the Football Mothers, Coach Lazorishak, and guest speaker Lin Houston, at the annual football banquet.

The banquet was held at St. Paul's United Church of Christ. Following the dinner, the coaches, players, and parents heard remarks from Lin Houston, a former member of the Cleveland Browns from 1946 to 1953.

Mr. Houston spoke about the changes in pro

football since he has played. "I feel there's a lot more emphasis on money these days!" he joked.

He also believes that players today are no better in ability than when he played. "I think I could hold my own," he commented wryly. Mr. Houston's brother, Jim, is now a linebacker for the Browns.

Following Mr. Houston's speech, Coach Ted Lazorishak commented on the season.

"A season can't be measured in wins and losses," he said, "and four and five doesn't give a true picture of this football team."

The coach congratulated the players for their dedication and ended by saying, "We'll get 'em next year!"

Gymnasts Exhibit Apparatus Skills

A gymnastics team of eight girls from Shenango High School, located near New Castle, presented a two-hour demonstration for Hickory students in November. The purpose was to give our gymnasts a better idea of what type of routine to present for Open House.

The team demonstrated mounts and dismounts on the uneven parallel bars and the balance beam. They also showed movements in free exercise and vaulting. As the program progressed, Coach Glen Sullinger explained the point value of each movement.

The Shenango High team has been training for competition among other schools since August. Last year, two girls on Sullinger's team qualified as state competitors.

Girl Hoopsters Begin New Season Under New Head Coach Reynolds

After four weeks of tryouts, 20 players were selected from some 70 girls to represent Hickory High in girl's basketball under the coaching of Mrs. Reynolds.

The chosen roundballers are Nancy Riddle, Jamie Mong, Janine O'Malley, Patty Ray, Debby Hast, Linda Lyshoir, Elaine Stefanick, Marilyn Lucas, Vicki Brown, Patty Hoffman, Cindy Polansky, Pam Toperzer, Jean Leyde, Debby Edell, Paula Stupka, Alexis White, Linda



Varsity basketballers work out in preparation for a difficult season.

Tough Slate Faces Team

A new coach and a tough schedule were there to greet the candidates for the 1969-70 campaign when they opened their workouts on November 1.

New head coach, Mr. Bill Floros, accepted the position during the summer which was vacated by the resignation of Mr. Ed McGlumphy. Mr. Mike Bavola will serve as Coach Floros's assistant and Junior Varsity coach.

One of the toughest schedules in the history of Hickory Basketball faces the team.

Playing independently for the last time this year, the roundballers will face such formidable foes as Altoona, the largest school district in the state, a number of Section III Teams, including Sharon twice, Beaver Falls, and New Castle, plus a whole host of Erie Teams.

Three returning lettermen, including Dan Bell, Barry Oman, and Ron Crisan, will have much to do with the success of the season.

The playing status of last year's standout, Dan Dougherty, remains in doubt due to his leg injury.

The Hornets have been getting their shooting eyes back during scrimmages held so far with Mercer, Lakeview, Conneaut Lake, Mohawk, and Union of New Castle.

Hornet Sharpshooters Win Victory Under New Coach

This year's rifle team took it's winning skein to the line in their first match of the season. Under their new coach, Dave Avril, top sharpshooter on the Penn State rifle team, the team rallied to a 928-734 victory over rival Boardman. This victory brought Hickory's number of consecutive wins to 23.

Because there were not enough qualified people wanting to join the team, Hickory is unable to sponsor a B team this year.

Members of this year's newly selected team are Bob Avril, Phil Whitworth, Dale Wilds, Tom

Gazette Honors Field Goaler

Hickory's talented place kicker, Dan Dougherty, was given space in Jack Sell's sports column in the Pittsburgh Post Gazette.

The writer cited the flawless precision of Dougherty, proven by Dan's successful splitting of the uprights in six out of six attempts. All of the markers were kicked from more than 20 yards away.

Mr. Sell also stated that the three field goals kicked by Dougherty during the Sharpsville game could represent a new state record for the most ever kicked in a high school game. The goals accounted for all the scoring and were all made from more than 25 yards.

The broken leg that Dougherty sustained during the Sharon game was luckily not that of his kicking leg.

Wilds, Les Darby, Mark Smith, Marjorie Everett, Jeff Bindas, and Roger Kilgore.

The Boardman match saw Bob Avril, Phil Whitworth, and Mark Smith turning in the top scores for the Hickory team. The team was hoping for it's twenty-fourth consecutive win last Monday when they took on the riflemen of Columbiana, Ohio, at the Hornet range.

The nine shooters of the Hickory team hope to once again bring the high school undefeated season and high rating in the national competition.



This year's rifle team is led by top scorers Phil Whitworth, Bob Avril, and Mark Smith.



On November 7 vandals broke into the high school and stole money from the library office.

Herald Representative Invades Walcott's Journalism Classes

"Don't ever bet me if should go in the paper. Joe Palooka is going to He has been on the win the fight," said paper's staff for 30 Mr. Wally Wachter, "be-years. He was a reporter cause I know two weeks in Farrell for 15 years in advance." "when all the news was

Mr. Wachter, Sharon in Farrell." Herald news editor, He thinks "most news-visited Mr. Dick Wal- papers today are doing cott's journalism class- a good job. We think we es on November 13. He are." He also said of the talked on how the Her- Herald's 24,000 per day ald operated and an- circulation, "they (the swered questions. readers) are really the

Mr. Wachter's job judges." is to read all the news Columns, such as Ann teletyped from Pitts- Landers, come in pack- burgh by United Press ages containing columns International, and give for several weeks in ad- his opinion on what vance. Comics are also received this way.

Individual or Computer; Which Do You Prefer?

by Bonnie Hancock

Books aren't everything! At least they're not supposed to be, but Hickory is becoming more and more book-oriented and less and less student conscious.

No pep assemblies, no senior class trip no musical, no "proper" Sadie Hawkins Dance; all these no's aren't helping to form well-rounded students, they're only forming students who are trying to get around the out-of-date ideas of the "Establishment."

Supposedly, while in school, we are learning the necessary things to get along in life. We are if all we have to do after we graduate is memorize facts, because that's almost all we're learning how to do. After we graduate, who will be there to feed us the facts and pull out the answers? We aren't being taught how to think, only how to memorize.

"What do we (the students) want from a high school?" Some members of the faculty care enough to at least ask this question, but how many care enough to help us get WHAT WE WANT, once the answer is given?

What would you like Hickory to be like? I'd like to see a change in the educational system so we'd be given a chance to think, and not just memorize. Maybe a seminar type

course where we could study what we want in a given area, as long as it follows curriculum requirements would be an answer to this, or maybe a curriculum entirely chosen by the students.

Academic progress isn't all that's needed at Hickory. Depriving us of activities such as a musical, pep assemblies, and a senior trip are depriving us of the chance to learn better how to get along socially with others. This is even more important today because we have more and more leisure time. If this trend of abolishing extracurricular activities continues, Hickory's computer quota will increase as its individual quota drastically declines.

During a senior trip, a few people did get out of hand, but the TRIP HELPS make our senior year special, just as it should, because it's our last. Depriving us of a musical only lessens our chances to prove how much talent the students of Hickory have. The pep assemblies that used to help cheer our teams to victory won't help if we can't have any.

We're not asking for a complete change, we don't expect one, but we do live in a democracy where everyone is guaranteed equal rights. We just want our share.

Virginia Tiernan Views American Ways of Life

My first day at Hickory High School was quite an experience for me, since I went to an all girls school with a totally different educational system.

In Australia, a girl's social position is very different. We are less independent, but generally very spoiled by the men!

Thanks to the friendly students and administration, I felt very welcome, and learned to enjoy the many benefits Hickory High offers.

So many American customs and activities have been new and delightful to me. Celebrations on holidays, such as Valentine's Day, Halloween, the Fourth of July and Memorial Day were tons of fun.

Even internationally traditional days are celebrated differently in the U.S.A.

I don't think you would find it easy to persuade the Australian rabbit forces to deliver chocolate eggs, especially in century heat. As for Father Christmas (Santa Claus) I'd always pictured him in a red bathing suit!

Apart from seemingly superficial fun fairs, I've learned a lot in understanding and appreciating the American character. American enthusiasm and ambition impressed me most of all.

Generally, the people I've met strive, not for better, but for best! I guess this is a major factor in creating American strength.

I sincerely hope the Rotary Exchange Program will continue in Hickory. Aside from the personal satisfaction, education and wonderful memories I've gained, I think the program can work as an agent for world peace.

During my tour to the West Coast this summer, I met exchange students from countries including Sweden, Denmark, Mexico, Germany, Japan, Brazil, Bolivia, Argentina and New Zealand. All of them simply loved the States and her people.

We learned more about other nations and America in one short year than text books taught us in 12 years.

I take this opportunity to thank everyone who has made my stay so beneficial, and I do hope you have learned a little about my country.



Virginia Tiernan, Rotary exchange student from Australia, poses one last time before leaving Hickory.

Group Takes Trip To Hiram College For O'Neill Drama

On October 30, Mrs. Walker's speech classes and Mr. Johnston's dramatic literature classes traveled to Hiram College in Ohio.

They viewed the play "Long Day's Journey into Night" written by Eugene O'Neill. This was an uncut production about his family. It was situated in the Tyrone's summer house in August of 1912.

Mary Tyrone, the main character, was a victim of morphine addiction. Before getting married to James Tyrone, she had contemplated being a nun. He had three children, the first died from malnutrition, the second an alcoholic, and the third having consumption.

The play contained flashbacks into the characters' lives which helped the audience to understand their actions.

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