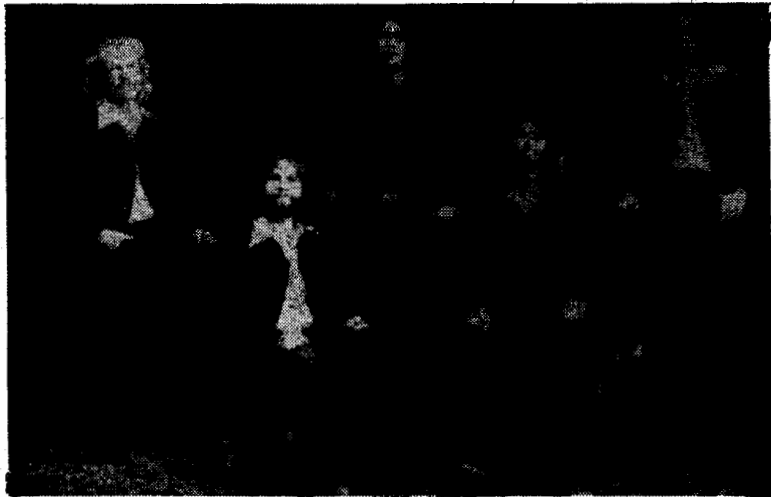




# THE MATCH



"Trigger"

## Prom Features 'Trigger'

Tomorrow is the night of the Junior Prom to be held at Sunol Country Club. Trigger, a four piece group, will play from 9 o'clock to midnight.

The \$18 bid includes a steak dinner which will be served at 8 p.m. One hundred thirty - nine couples have bought bids.

Trigger performs a wide variety of music by the Doobie Brothers, Tower of Power, Chicago, Loggins and Messina, Billy Preston, Deep Purple, Roberta Flack, Stevie Wonder, and Elton John.

This is the first prom to be held at Sunol since the Junior Prom of 1972.

## 3 Win Bank Awards

Seniors Bill Foote, Felix Ngan, and Liz Winters each placed in the top four in their zone area in the Bank of America zone competition.

Bill placed second in the liberal arts area. He received \$100. Felix Ngan placed fourth in the science - mathematics area, winning \$50. Liz placed fourth in the fine arts area. She also won \$50.

The students were

required to write a one minute presentation on a question related to their area. Following the presentation there was an open discussion on the question by the twelve participating students.

The judges' scores on these two items were added to the students' academic record and participation in scholastic and extra-curricular activities to determine the winner.

## Dual Fun-a-thon Tonight

"Since We're Neighbors - Let's Be Friends" is the theme of the first Fun-a-thon to be held between Washington and American High Schools.

It will be held in the girls' gym from 7 to 10 p.m. tonight. The cost is 50 cents with ASB

card; 75 cents without.

The Girls Rec I class is sponsoring the event, which will feature swimming and games to support a trip May 24-26.

There will be relay games, an egg toss, and pie eating contest.

## Council Plans 'Olympic Week'

The Student Council has decided to sponsor an "Olympic Week" May 5 to 9. The week will offer games and sports for individuals and class teams.

On Monday, May 5, there will be a "Volleyball Grudge Match" with class teams challenging other classes. There will also be individual competition with jacks and frisbees (Students must supply their own jacks, balls, and frisbees).

Tuesday, May 6, an interclass challenge basketball game will be held. Individual competition will be marbles and jumprope. Each student is allowed to bring a shooter (which each

must provide) for that tournament.

On Wednesday, May 7, the class contest will be softball. Hopscotch and two-square will be the individual games.

For Thursday, May 8, there will be an interclass challenge soccer match. For individuals there will be yo-yo competition and three-legged races.

Friday, May 9, will be the culmination of the week. There will be a football game for class competition. Also there will be a tug-of-war. The first round of the tug-of-war will be freshmen vs. sophomores and juniors vs. seniors. The two winning teams

will then compete for the grand prize. That night there will be a dance which will feature a square dance competition.

Class teams for the five sports must be organized at least two days before the contest date, and they may not have any members of a school team on them. (Team members will be used to act as referees.) In the competition a refused challenge is counted as a forfeited game. Announcements in the bulletin will tell students where and when they may sign up.

In other action, Student Council postponed until next week the sending of the letter of grievance to Mr. Fred Brower and the yearbook staff. The letter is a recommendation on how to avoid future debts such as were incurred this year.

## Seniors Slate Activities

Spring is full of activities by and for seniors.

The Senior Class is sponsoring a car wash tomorrow from 9 to 5 in front of the mobiles. There will be a 25 per cent discount to all junior who present the junior prom bid at the car wash.

The Senior Picnic will be held May 19 at Uvas Meadows in Morgan Hill. It will cost \$3.40 per person for the bus ride. Seniors must bring a lunch. There is a large swimming pool, a creek, lots of baseball diamonds and volleyball courts, a game room and a snack bar.

The seniors are going to Disneyland to celebrate Grad Nite on May 30. During the 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. party unlimited use of Disneyland's more than 50 major attractions (ex-

cept shooting galleries) will be offered to graduates and their dates, as the park is set aside exclusively for their use.

To maintain a festive party atmosphere, men are requested to wear coats and ties, while women are asked to wear either dresses or coordinated pantsuit ensembles.

There are only 60 available sets. It was first come first serve. The \$20 deposit was due April 25. The total cost will be \$62. The balance of \$42 is due May 9.

The Senior Ball will be held at Cabana Hyatt House in Palo Alto June 10. The bid will be \$25, which includes dinner. There is no band at the moment, but the Seniors are trying to get the group "Kingfish". This band will cost \$1,500.

## Novak Receives Bausch & Lomb

Senior Carla Novak received the annual Bausch & Lomb Science Award. According to the science department chairman Stuart Lane, the award is given to an outstanding senior who is taking both physics and physiology.

The award is a plaque which will be presented at the awards assembly in May.

Carla is planning on attending the Dental Hygiene program at Chabot College in Hayward. She said that they accept only 22 applicants. "Because of the difficulties of getting into the program, I hope this award will help me get accepted," Carla added.

## Lane: Bright Spot On Swim Team

With tough losses against Mission, 81-74½, and Irvington, 86-70, the Husky swimmers have dropped to a 6-4 record. The Huskies are in third, four games behind league-leader Irvington and 3½ games behind second place Mission.

In their meet with Mission, the outcome of the match was decided on the last race. The last race was the 440 freestyle relay and MSJ turned in a school record time to nip the Huskies.

Ben Lane was Washington's only double winner. He won the

200 individual medley with a clocking of 2:06.7 and the 100 freestyle with a time of 0:50.9.

In the Irvington match, Washington swam well but Irvington won having more depth than Washington. Lane once again won the 200 IM and the 100 freestyle. He also participated with Russ Stime, Joel Mork, and Bob Dunsford in Washington's winning 200 medley relay team, which set a school record of 1:46.2.

Washington has MVAL - NCS qualifying finals at Kennedy today.

## Defense Hurting Sluggers

By Jim Glen

With losses against American and Irvington, Washington's varsity baseball team has fallen into third place. The Huskies, with a 3-4 record, are two games behind league leader Mission San Jose.

In the American game, Wayne Uhler carried a no-hitter into the fifth inning, only to lose it and the game that inning. Physical and mental errors were a factor. American tallied their three runs that inning.

Bob Fudenna had two hits off Dave Theophilus, who gave up only four all afternoon.

Washington was on the short end of a slugfest with Irvington, losing 18-7.

Husky pitchers gave up 20 hits to the power-hitting Vikings. Ace pitcher Jeff Mills started for Washington but was not in top form.

Poor fielding once again hurt the Huskies as they committed eight errors. Defense has been a problem from the start and must improve for the Huskies to do better.

John Chacon, Ken Roeder, and Wayne Uhler were the bright spots for Washington as each of them collected two hits.

## Netters Drop to Second

Washington's netters dropped to second yesterday in a 0-7 loss to first place Irvington. In their previous three matches, Washington defeated Logan's Colts, 7-0, Mission's Warriors, 5-2, and American's Eagles, 5-2.

Jeff Soulages, rated Husky #1, only

managed to win one game against Irvington's Kevin Shroder. Number two, Dean LeBreton, was the only person on varsity to win a set against his opponent. Washington's numbers three and four, Wally Samuelson and George Stratigopolous were also crushed in the deluge.

## Vikings Outshoot Golfers

The MSJ golf team was outshot by Irvington, 184-213, in their last league outing. With the loss, the Huskies now have a 4-5 league and 7-8 season record.

In another match last week, the Huskies downed York High School at the Laguna Seca Course. In match play they won 11-1,

and as a four man team, they scored a 178-192 victory.

In the Irvington match, Kevin Flaig received team honors with a two-over par 38. However, three Viking golfers had better scores. Chris Louie shot a 39 and Kerry Salzer, 40 for the Huskies.

## Viking Depth Beats Huskies

Memorial forfeited the track meet against Washington because of the smallness of its team. They had only twelve cindermen.

However, in the Irvington meet it wasn't quite as easy for the Huskies as they lost to Irvington 73-53. The Vikings only had one double winner in the meet. But their depth is so good that if they don't finish first, they get second, third, and fourth. Conrad Jepson won the shot.

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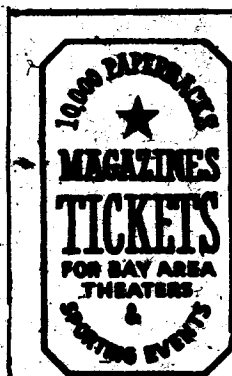
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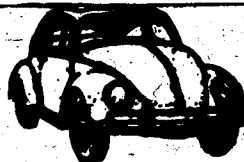
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# EDITORIAL

## Carry On PAA

The final curtain has dropped on this year's musical, Oliver, but the joy and bitterness has not left. The Performing Arts Area is joyful with the success of another excellent performance; the other schools are bitter with the success.

The PAA has reason to brag. Each year the plays get better and better, and, of course, since Washington does not have its own theatre they get more and more expensive. After all costs for Oliver are tabulated, it will come to about \$10,000! Although this seems prohibitive, the PAA is expected to show a profit.

Students' comments from other schools, in general, have been cutting down Washington for such extravagance. But such a stand is ridiculous. If our department is good enough to carry a big musical, they should do it.

There is a saying "jealousy breeds contempt." Other schools have not had such successful performances.

Washington should continue to produce such fine musicals. They should ignore the comments of others and continue to offer excellent plays of near-professional quality.

## Rally Clinics Begin

Once again the Performing Rally Group is holding clinics after school for students who want to try out.

Clinics for letter-girls are Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday. They are headed by Janet Salih and Lori Mazzola. Try outs will be on May 7. Clinics for songgirls are Monday, Wednesday and Friday. They are headed by Rhonda Marin and Margaret de la O.

Clinics for cheerleaders are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. They are headed by Patti Inouye, Debbie Kane and Patricia Kearns. Flaggirls clinics are being held on Tuesday and Thursdays, and are

being headed by Tracy James.

There are no clinics for mascots; however, Joyce Van Ann will answer questions. Tryouts will all be in May; however some of the dates are not yet set.

Along with new Rally Groups there will also be new rules. Each participant must maintain a 2.0 grade average now and throughout the whole year. Also a new demerit system is being established. For instance rally group members must attend all meetings, and all football, basketball, and home wrestling matches, plus one other sport per week.

## The Hatchet

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## Cast Overcomes Weak Script

By Ken Flaig

The Performing Arts Area of WHS did an excellent job on this year's musical, Oliver, overcoming major problems in the script itself.

The script of Oliver is long and, for the most part, rather slow. It has no character development, little humor, and even less conversation.

To make Oliver a success, a production must feature three things: colorful costumes, attractive staging, and exciting choreography. The WHS production had all three things.

Keith Epstein's performance as Fagan showed the excellence that we have come to expect. His characterization proved his versatility: from the young idealist in Fiddler to the old, self-centered villain of Oliver. His facial expressions, movements, and gestures gave the audience an insight into the character of Fagan.

Robynn Rodriguez perhaps gave the strongest performance of the cast in her portrayal of Nancy. She obviously was the best singer of the cast. Her singing of "As Long as He Needs Me" was moving and

beautifully done. She moved around the stage and used the English accent with ease.

Despite being knocked down more times than Joe Frazier was by George Foreman, Thom Babbas got up to receive a very sympathetic response from the audience for his role of Oliver. He performed his role of a small boy taken advantage of by everyone with uncommon ease. He seemed to change, moods effortlessly.

Steve Valdez made the character of the artful Dodger the most likable of the play. The smile, graceful movements, and friendly personality of Dodger were combined perfectly by Steve.

Mike Seiders did a good job in his role as Bill Sikes. Though he played a rather limited role, his very presence brought an uneasy feeling to the scene.

The couple of Debbie Brewton (Mrs. Corney) and Scott Fletcher (Mr. Bumbles) almost stole the show. As the only really humorous characters of the play, they were

the greatest audience pleasers. Their ability to create humor, with their gestures, speech, and expressions, brought life to both the play and the crowd.

Other strong performers were Peter Olson as Noah Claypool (and a variety of other roles) and Gary Pimentel as Mr. Sowerberry.

The orchestra, conducted by Mr. Merle Sousa, was superb.

The high quality of their music was a solid background to the performance. Also the timing with the singers was excellent.

The choreography was a pleasure to watch. Even in a large number, such as with what seemed to be the whole cast on stage, all the dancers were in step. Their great job is a tribute to Ms. Linda Jackson, the choreographer, and Ms. Sally Benton, director.

The scene of "Who Will Buy" was the best example of the colorful and well-coordinated costumes. Ms. Dolores Rodriguez, costume chairman, did a fantastic job of organizing and designing the costumes.

## Hatchet Asks:

### Opinions Of Oliver

Erin Sawyer, sr.: I enjoyed it but it was kind of long. Singing was great.

Randy Lorenz, sr.: Fantastic, exciting, great!

Kathy Dennis, sr.: It was close to professional. I liked the parts where the people froze and the leads went on. Washington, you've done it again.

Mike Kirmura, sr.: Pretty good but too long. I would have left early but I couldn't.

Karin Snow, sr.: I really enjoyed it.

Anne Hassett, soph.: Mike Seiders was great so was Peter Olsen. It was good. It wasn't too long.

Mike Ricupito, soph:

Excellent job!

Holly Daniels, sr.: The leads did a good job but it was long.

Lisa Silva, soph.: It was great; I really liked it!

Sharon Plunkett, jr.: I didn't get to see it.

Kathy Breiling, jr.: I didn't see it, but I liked the previews.

Diana Wennberg, jr.: I was really impressed by Robynn Rodriguez, Steve Valdez, Keith Epstein and the dancing done by Julie Kane,

Kevin Marin, jr.: I didn't see it.

Judi Stuart, jr.: It was good; I liked it very much.

Brian Cesar, soph.: I didn't even see it.

Considering the number of set changes, the stage crew did an excellent job. It is easier to appreciate the difficulty of their task when you consider that they performed in front of the audience on a darkened stage.

All-in-all, the play of Oliver, under the direction of Ms. Benton, was another example of the superior performances put on by WHS. However, it is hoped that next year, the PAA department chooses a play with a better script to be its spring musical.

# Social Science Seminar Prepares Prison Report

The Social Science Seminar class is currently preparing a report on prison reform it hopes to send to certain "key people" such as Congressman Don Edwards and Senator John Tunney.

At the beginning of the semester, the class decided to study Prison Reform. The class divided into groups of two or three to study different areas of prison reform: prisoners' rights, parole, prisoners' pay, juvenile punishment, and rehabilitation. Each group had to take an area, study it, and then make a report about their area.

Even the instructor, Mr. Bill Lightfoot, has done a report. All of these reports will be put together to make one big report.

It is this report that the class will send to the key people. Mr. Lightfoot stated that this report was done because the class felt that there was a need to educate society of the necessity of prison reform.

To help give them ideas, they invited speakers to talk about prison. The speakers included a prison chaplain, juvenile probation officers, a public defender, and a District Attorney.

They have also written letters to prisoners in San Quentin in hopes of a reply. In addition, they took a community survey of all ages and sexes to find out why people are sent to prison. The two main reasons were to protect society and to rehabilitate the offender.

The seminar is offered to second semester seniors. Enrollment is by invitation only and class members needed the consent of the instructor, Mr. Lightfoot, and Mr. Howard Cavil, head of the Social Science Department. To qualify they had to have good grades in previous social science classes.

When asked if his class was going to move on to another subject, Mr. Lightfoot answered sarcastically "If we ever get done with this one!"

# Ms. Lowrey: More Than Math Teacher

WHS's math teacher Ms. Charlotte Lowrey is not just a math teacher. Besides being one of the three senior advisers, Ms. Lowrey is a delegate to the Democratic Party State Central Committee.

In addition, last year she was president of the Fremont Unified District Teachers Association. She was a recipient of the Outstanding Teachers of the Year awards earlier this year.

In college Ms. Lowrey majored in Political Science and minored in music.

After graduating she taught elementary school in Oakland for



Ms. Lowrey

six years. She then taught for one year at Thornton Junior High.

Ms. Lowrey and her husband received an NDEA grant which they used to get their masters degree from the University of Illinois. Instead of pursuing political

science, Ms. Lowrey got her MA in math.

Upon returning to California she taped a third grade math program for KQED. It was called "It All Adds Up." It was shown once a week for five years. Ms. Lowrey wrote the program and manual.

In 1968 she came to WHS to teach math at home. She faces strong rivalry from Irvington. Her husband is a social science teacher at Irvington and one son goes to school there. Her other son graduated from Irvington and is now attending UC Berkeley.

# Ngan Wins UCB Award

Felix Ngan was chosen as one of 15 recipients of the \$300 Chemical Engineering scholarship for the University of California, Berkeley. Felix won the award for his scholastic record and for his promise for a productive career in engineering.

This scholarship is

presented by the College of Chemistry at Berkeley and is funded by Standard Oil of California, Dow Chemical, and Bechtel Power Corporation. The scholarship may be used only at Berkeley.

Felix will be attending the College of Chemistry this fall.

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