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Homecoming Queen Rhonda Marin with escort Frank Fudenna.

Rhonda Crowned Queen

This year's Homecoming Queen, Rhonda Marin, was crowned by last year's queen Janet Nigro Barbero at the Mission game.

The princesses were

Need Money?

On Thursday, Nov. 14, the counseling department, under the direction of Mr. Norm Stelle, will sponsor a workshop for parents and students interested in receiving financial aid for college.

The purpose will be to explain the program and to fill out papers. The meeting will take place in M5, M6, and M7. The time will be announced in the bulletin.

Patricia Kearns, escorted by Ken Flaig, and Debbie Kane, escorted by her brother, Mike. Rhonda was escorted by Frank Fudenna.

Each of the girls was awarded a crown and roses.

This year's "Spirit Week" winner was the junior class.

They received \$50 for their spirit.

Seniors came in a close second, sophomores were third, and the freshmen last.

Holiday Mon.

Washington High School will celebrate Veterans' Day Monday.

Booster's Support WHS Athletics

Sunday the Booster's Club will sponsor its annual Pancake Breakfast in the cafeteria.

Breakfast is being served from 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tickets are \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for children under

12. They may be purchased from any athlete or at the door.

All proceeds will go to the WHS athletic program.

President Robert Riddle reported that this year's Booster's Club has over 100 family memberships and it's still growing.

At present the club only supports boys' athletics but hopes to help girls' sports, the rally groups, and band in the future.

Booster's is designed to get parents and other interested adults involved in student sports at WHS.

It runs and pays for all boys' athletic award banquets. This year it will also provide a defensive machine for football; 20 uniforms for soccer; 12 sweats for basketball; 15 sweats for track / cross country / wrestling; 24 caps for water polo; and miscellaneous items such as a starting gun and film.

Memberships are still open to families of students, alumni, and parents of alumni for \$5 per year or \$3 if there is only one parent.

Council Sets Election

Petitions for freshman class officers are now available in the Student Store.

Petitions must be signed by five per cent of the freshman class, 22 students. They must be returned to Rick Olson's box in Mr. Robert Bening's office no later than Nov. 15.

The election will be held at lunch Nov. 22, with the candidates' speeches the Wednesday and Thursday before.

In other action, Student Council acted on a plan by Dr. Robert Callahan to improve communication between students and administration. His proposal is to have a series of question/answer meetings during lunch once a month.

The first of the series will be held Tuesday, Nov. 26. A rally scheduled is proposed to allow students ample time with questions; however, if few attend, rally

schedule will be cancelled for the further meetings.

Students should submit questions to their A-period representatives.

Fun's Coming

Do seniors think that they can beat all comers in volleyball? Next Friday's Fun-a-Thon will be the place to find out.

The activity, sponsored by Girls' Rec., will be held in the girls' gym from 7:30-10:30. Tickets are 50 cents and can be purchased at noon or after school at the girls' gym ticket window.

The Fun-a-Thon will include a volleyball contest, ping-pong, dancing, and swimming, if the weather permits it. Jeff Smith will play his guitar.

There will also be a carnival, and prizes will be awarded.

AFT Protests FUSD Buying Grapes

By Peter Olson

The current controversy between the United Farm Workers and the Teamsters Union over labor contracts has become a concern of the Fremont Unified School Board.

The American Federation of Teachers, representing more than 200 Fremont educators, brought before the board at the Oct. 23 meeting, a request that the FUSD support neither the UFW, nor

the Teamsters in the purchasing of grapes until the controversy is settled.

The controversy is a result of a conflict between the United Farm Workers (a union representing workers who pick California's grapes, lettuce, and other produce), the growers, and the Teamster's union. 140 of the growers in California have signed "sweetheart" contracts with the Teamster's Union allowing for

wages of about \$2.20 per hour and the use of certain pesticides which the U.S. department of agriculture has determined potentially cancer causing. A person wishing to pick produce must join the Teamster's Union if the growers for whom he/she is working has signed such a contract, said Mr. Gerry Donnelly, AFT president.

The United Farm Workers themselves, which sets a minimum

wage of \$2.60 per hour and prohibits the use of those pesticides.

Earlier this fall, the Fremont School district Food Services purchased grapes which were picked under Teamster contracts. In response, the American Federation of Teachers UFW support committee argued before the board that the purchase of Teamster grapes was giving support to one side in a strike. They asked the Board to not take

sides, but it was defeated three to one with two abstentions.

Dick Arey, speaking for the opposition, stated that the school board should "keep politics out of our student's lunches".

It is true that to comply with the AFT's request would actually result in supporting the UFW's boycott of non-union grapes, as there are no UFW picketed grapes on the market. Still, this would

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EDITORIAL

Hatchet Defends 'Ms.'

For 54 years the Hatchet has used the terms "Miss" and "Mrs." in its articles. At the beginning of this year, however, the staff and adviser decided to drop these in favor of "Ms."

"Ms." was coined by the Womens' Liberation Movement of the late 1960s and early 1970s and has gained favor by women throughout the United States since then.

The decision for the Hatchet to adopt the "Ms." was because of a trend which is developing of its usage. It appears to be the form which will in a few years dominate in publications. It also appears to be the policy which the WHS main office is using.

More importantly, "Ms." is a more equitable term. It is not part of our duty as a newspaper to state whether a person is married or single. It is merely our duty to identify adults from students and men from women with no "judgment" of the marital status. This is the direction society is taking, and the Hatchet is reflecting this direction.

The Hatchet is not trying to offend anyone by its use nor are we denying the fact that a woman is married or single. While each woman may have her own preference, the Hatchet will continue to use "Ms." for consistency.

What's Happening

Friday, Nov. 8:

Cal State Concert Band will put on a concert in the University Theatre at 8:15 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 9, 10:

Cal State will be performing "Hansel and Gretel" at 2 p.m.

Through Dec. 7:

The Broadway musical "Sugar" will be performed at the Curran Theatre; evenings, except Sunday at 8:30, and matinees, Wednesdays and Sundays at 2:30 p.m.

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Why Athletes Are Treated Differently

By Emory Moore

Some female athletes have complained about unequal treatment.

They see boys who are out for team sports having a free period instead of taking a regular PE class.

But girls who are participating in GAA are not excused from PE.

What causes this difference?

Boys are required to go to their team practice after school for two hours a day, five days a week. Practice takes the place of their PE class, and their PE grade is determined by their performance at these practices.

An absence here counts the same as any other class.

Girls participating in boys' sports are also allowed to miss their regular PE class and are graded on practices.

This policy originated three years ago because of the overcrowding in the BPE classes, according to Coach Bob Springer, BPE department head.

GAA practices are handled differently.

Letters to Editor:

'Rah - Rah' Responds

Dear Editor,

I feel that your editorial in the Oct. 25 Hatchet was totally uncalled for. Every year there is something in the newspaper cutting down the Rally Group. Can't you find something more important to write about?

In the article you said that we barely get the people to yell. I can honestly say that Washington has one of the better cheering sections in the district. We can't force people to yell if they don't want to. We try our best to get the crowd to yell.

The expensive uniforms shouldn't bother you at all; you don't pay for them. All the money for uniforms comes from the girls. Our uniforms are no

Girls practice for two hours a day, but only four days a week.

This was once the policy of boys' athletics, too.

Although enrollment at WHS is down, the BPE department has no plans to return to the old method, according to Coach Springer.

By retaining this method, BPE classes are smaller, and "the smaller the class, the easier it is for individual instruction." Boys also have a chance to specialize in their sport. Coach Springer also explained that being graded on their sport's practice gives athletes more initiative to accelerate and also puts more meaning into practice.

The GPE department likes the way the girls' practices are handled. Some girls urge them to change to the boys' policy. But if this happened, girls participating in PAA, cheerleading, or other after school activities could not participate in GAA sports. Ms. Joyce Goldsworthy, head of

the GPE department, said, "If they know the score, they don't want it."

Another reason the GPE department likes its method is because it avoids the trouble of athletes coming into PE classes when their sport is over and messing things up. They would have missed drills and instruction and would interfere with organizing teams in the classes.

To avoid this, PE classes would have to link their activities with the sports' after school practices.

Besides, some athletes might participate in only one sport for all four years of high school. The GPE department feels that there is more than that to PE.

The BPE department feels that athletes do get a well rounded physical education. Athletes are usually out for only a quarter and then return to their regular PE classes, which, according to Coach Springer, "is not too much of a problem." He feels most athletes already know the skills and instruction they may have missed, and can easily "handle it."

Obviously, Washington will continue to have different policies on release time for athletes.

Apology

The Hatchet apologizes to Cindy Brodehl for printing a letter to the editor signed with her name which she did not write.

The Hatchet still welcomes signed letters to the editor, but we now have a method of checking the authorship of them.

Debbie Kane, Senior

Grapes Cause Dispute

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be much less of an overt "political" act than buying teamster harvested grapes.

Mr. Donnelly said that even though the board turned down their proposal, "the issue is clear, and most administrators don't want the hassle ... that would result from any further patronizing of teamster produce." He also stated that the AFT

would keep checking the FUSD Food Service and apply pressure if teamster goods are purchased before the controversy is settled.

According to Ms. Olga Madison, head of the FUSD Food Service, there are no more grapes in storage at this time. She also does not plan on purchasing any more grapes as "they are too expensive."

Young Life Attracts

By Bobbi Del Pino

Twice a week, the little white church on Bond Street off Fremont Boulevard, known as the Young Life Town Hall, fills with students from every high school in Fremont.

All over the country, and in many foreign countries, high school students attend similar meetings. Young Life welcomes everyone, regardless of religion, race, and even age. Yet it focuses on the high school student, be-

cause the sole purpose of the organization is to expose teen-agers to the Christian faith.

The methods of this exposure are positive but not pushy. There is no formal membership, no money collection, and most importantly, no pressure. Washington High's club night is Wednesday at 7:30.

A typical evening starts off with the passing out of song-

Interest in Art Declines

By Jeff Montgomery

The interest in art at WHS seems to be declining.

Last year there were 15 art classes and an art club. This year there are 11 art classes and no art club. Why the decline in interest?

Mr. Bill Harrison thinks the cause is "teachers and counselors stressing that

typing and electives such as business are much more important today."

Mr. Paul Ficken, department chairman, said, "The cause of the decline is brought about by the shortage of students at WHS."

Unfortunately, art to many students and teachers is "just a bunch of bunk." But art has always been a

basic cultural aspect throughout man's history, and because of art, man has been able to extend his knowledge into a much broader field with just his imagination.

In many ways, art and imagination are synonymous; take away one's imagination and he'll show no art; take away one's art and he'll have no imagination.

Fremont Youth To Christianity

books. The guitarists are in the front of the room, and their fingers start flying across the fretboards. Perhaps 100 voices join in a rousing chorus of some selected song.

After the singing of a few choice numbers, one of the leaders attempts to quiet the spirited crowd. He proceeds to explain

what wild and chaotic activity the group will engage in for the

ice" and bring the group together.

On a typical club night, the mixer may be followed by a skit, often involving members of the group.

The night is almost invariably concluded with a message. It is the content of this message which is the true gist of Young Life. It usually deals with the interests, problems, and needs that all people share. It is delivered by one of several leaders.

These "leaders" are specially selected young adults who have met the qualifications

of leading and teaching teen-aged groups in the Christian faith.

It may seem puzzling that such a large group of normal fun-loving teen-agers show some interest in

the Christian faith, yet the number of students attending the meetings grows appreciably each year.

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next few minutes. This is called the "mixer," as it serves to ac-

quaint the students with one another in a game or contest situa-

tion. This, along with the singing, tends to "break the

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Koch Poloists' MVP

Doug Koch was named MVP and Dean LeBreton and Jim Ricker were named co-captains at the water polo banquet Saturday.

WHS finished the season with a 5-7 record, beating South San Francisco 9-8.

The leading scorers for the season were LeBreton and Ben Lane each with 17 goals. Jeff Kleinsasser had 16 goals. On defense, Erik Webb led with 34 steals and interceptions while Eldon Wogen had 22.

The frosh-soph were 7-4 for the season. Mark Avon led the team with 30 goals. Avon and Dave Dauzat were named co-captains and Avon was also named MVP.

Melissa Robinson was selected as the Most Improved Player.

On Nov. 2, 40 alumni, from 1960 to 1974, returned for a grudge match with the varsity. The varsity was leading 5-4 when a power failure halted the completion of the game.

Harriers Finish Fourth

The Husky cross country team ended its 1974 dual meet season by defeating the Logan Colts harriers placed fourth in overall league competition.

Jim Vincent ran the three mile race in 15:25, placing second. Steve Guidici was a close third, recording a 15:34 time.

The frosh-soph harriers took the champi-

onship as they ended their dual meet season undefeated. Against Logan, Tom Hussey and Bruce Hiler finished one - two to lead the win, 27 - 28. Hussey and Hiler finished one - two in all the dual meets.

League finals were run yesterday. The top four teams in the finals will bring the best seven runners to the NCS division meet.

GAA Wins Tennis Title

The G.A.A. tennis team finished the season 7-0.

Undefeated were Sharon Grennan, second singles; Jo Nelle Hagan- Nancy Moore, first doubles; and Karen Anderson- Bobbi Del Pino, third doub-

les. G.A.A. gymnastics placed second. In the intermediates, sophomore Diana Wennberg was the high scorer in both beam and floor competition. Junior Susie Jacinto placed

Huskies Face Kennedy

The varsity grid- ders may still have a chance for a piece of the MVAL title. If Washington defeats Kennedy tonight and Logan stopped Mission

last night Mission and WHS will be tied for first place.

Last week MSJ shut out Kennedy 20-0; however, Kennedys well balanced team is not

one to be laughed at.

Their running team, lead by quarterback Brent Garret, consists of four of the fastest deffensive backs in the league. These are Greg Stinson, Robin Hope, and Glen and Joe Roman.

The pass play experts from Kennedy are receivers Dan Kenyon and Mike Freitas and quarterback Steve Prause, who "throws a real sharp ball" according to coach Bill Harrison.

On defense, Coach Bob Springer is worried about the Titan's big front four, and linebacker, Joe McNulty.

Again junior Bob DeRenzi, who completed 7 of 13 passes against Irvington, will be Washington's starting quarterback. Coach Harrison said, "The game tonight should be close. Not only are

Gridders Up Record

With Washington's victory over Irvington, the varsity grid- ers moved within one game of first place.

Last Week Washing- ton almost blew a 20 point lead, but held on to beat the Vikings 34-14.

Quarterback Bob De- Renzi sparked the Hus- kies' offense with his passing and scrambling as WHS led 20-0 at the half. DeRenzi hit on 7 of 13 passes for 143 yards for the night.


Running backs Bob Fudenna and Dan Fink- lea each ran for two touchdowns. Fudenna gained 65 yards on the ground and also caught two passes.

Two weeks ago Whs held league leader Mission to a 7-7 tie. WHS's defense stood out this game as Con- rad Jepson and Dave Finklea had 17 and 14 tackles respectively.

In J.V. action, WHS edged Mission 10-8 and shutout Irvington 8-0. In the Mission game, Ralph Barbero nicked up 57 yards on the ground and scored Washington's only T.D. Jim Jackson had 11 tackles on defense.

In the Irvington game, quarterback John Coyle hit on 6 of 8 passes for 94 yards. His primary receiver was Chris Antone, who caught 5 passes for 95 yards, including the lone touchdown.



the two teams fight- ing for the champion- ship, which will only come if Mission loses, but also this is the last game for a lot of seniors who want vic- tory."



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Season high score- ers in beginners com- petition were junior Stephanie Dickson on beam and floor; senior Tammy Matthews on bars and junior Dana Sperou on vault.

Novice high scorers were junior Sandie Johnson on floor; freshman Christi Jacobson on bars, fresh- man Jennie Fernandez on beam, and freshman Bobbie Seyboldt on the vault.



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