

## National Merit Scholarship Test To Be Given Here

The date for the annual National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test has been announced. The test will be administered to the students at 9 a.m. on Saturday, March 9, in the school cafeteria. All students who wish to be considered for Merit Scholarships to be awarded in 1964 should take the test at that time. If any student wishes to take the test and has not yet signed up for it, he should see Mr. Rigotti at once.

The qualifying test is a three hour examination of educational development. The test is the first step in the ninth annual competition for four-year Merit Scholarships provided by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation and by sponsoring corporations, foundations, associations, unions, and individuals.

Sponsor participation is the determining factor in the number of scholarships awarded each year. In 1962, 1041 Merit Scholarships were awarded.

The score of students who are examined in March will be reported to the school before May 15. The scores are used by counselors to help students make decisions about college attendance and their field of study. Many students who do not expect to win a scholarship take the test in order to learn more about their individual strengths and weaknesses in the areas measured by the test.

Each Semifinalist will be asked to take a second examination. Those who repeat their high performance will become Finalists in the Merit Program. From this group, the winners of scholarships will be chosen on the basis of school records, recommendation, test scores, extracurricular activities, leadership ability, and accomplishments outside the classroom. Each Finalist is awarded a Certificate of Merit attesting to his outstanding performance.

The amount of each scholarship is based on financial need. The minimum award is \$100 and the maximum is \$1500. Each scholarship constitutes a form of educational insurance, since the stipend may be increased at any time if the student's financial situation changes during the four-year term of the scholarship.

"Though the most be players, some must be spectators."

—Ben Jonson

## Past January Grads - Last

Lowrey saw its last mid-term graduation this past January. The last group of mid-term students are attending Lowrey now but they will be June graduates. These people have a choice of staying in the 10B for 2 semesters and therefore attending high school for 3½ years or they may go to summer school for 2 summers and be promoted a semester thus attending high school for only 2½ years. Out of 100 mid-term students only 4 chose to go ahead a semester.

The elimination of mid-term graduation results from the fact that Oakley W. Best Junior High is converting to an annual promotion system. Present plans indicate that Lowrey will become a District No. 7 school with all District No. 2 students attending Fordson.

Other reasons for this conversion are that mid-term graduations are uneconomical, impractical, and the students are unable to take advantage of the wide variety of courses offered to June graduation classes.

## Play Tryouts Announced

The tentative cast for Lowrey's first play of the year, "The Desk Set," has been selected by drama coach, Mr. Meredith. It is as follows:

Bunny—Martha Stiles  
Sadel—Anita Merkle  
Peg—Anita Day  
Ruthie—Roslyn Reece  
Richard Bob Sheer  
Abe—Peter Bill  
Lady-in-Blue Suit—Linda Thompson

Man in Shirt Sleeves—Ron Malinowski  
Kenny—Jerry Tripod  
Mr. Bennett—Gary Midora  
Miss Warriner—Sandy Grendel  
Reporter—Tom Hieronymus

Non-speaking parts:  
Elsa—Julie Ciavola  
Elsa's Friend—Tim McElmurry  
Photographer—Ken Swider  
Miss Rumble—Sandra Butler

Student Directors:  
Lynn Baumgartner  
Sharyn Thrasher

This production will be presented in our new Little Theater on March 28 and 29. Be sure to attend.



## Scholarship For Gifted Sophomore

One of Lowrey's sophomores, Gail Shultz, will spend six weeks this summer in New York City enrolled in the 1963 Summer Program for Gifted Blind Youth at the Hunter College. The trip will be financed by a scholarship grant.

Only twelve students were chosen from the seventy-seven who applied in the United States. Gail commented, "I am really thrilled; it is wonderful that I was selected to go."

According to information from a pamphlet put out by The American Association of Instructors of the Blind, "During the six-week program, the gifted blind students will be given opportunities to observe how citizenship, language, social patterns, science, music, art, and religion play important roles in shaping the life and work of people in large cities.

"The following points of interest will be among those included in the various field trips arranged for students participating in this special summer program: United Nations, Museum of Modern Art, Idlewild Airport, The New York Harbor, The New York Stock Exchange, and the Empire State Building."

## Seniors Plan Ahead

Lowrey seniors, who will be attending Henry Ford Community College in September, will enroll at the Liberal Arts Building on Thursday, March 14, from 3:30 to 5:30 p. m.

Mr. Davies, a representative from the college, spoke to the seniors on February 20. According to Mr. Davies, the Lowrey students will enroll along with the Dearborn residents, but they will still be required to pay the non-resident tuition. Approximately 500-700 local students are expected to enroll.

## Rules Reviewed

An assembly was held for each Junior and Senior High class at respective times. The purpose of the assembly was to inform all students of the rules and regulations they are expected to obey.

The students were given an opportunity to voice their opinions. We feel that the assembly was very very worthwhile and hope that the entire student body will give Mr. Dzovigian their full co-operation.

## Lowrey Senior Awarded Good Citizenship Pin

Diane Peirce, a Lowrey Senior, was recently awarded a good citizenship pin at a tea given by the Daughters of The American Revolution.

This organization has several chapters. The Dearborn Chapter selected a representative from each high school. On March 15, all the different chapters and their representatives will go to Lansing where a state good citizen will be chosen. The winner will receive a prize of one hundred dollars.

## Noon Movies Renewed

A special attraction at Lowrey is the showing of noon movies, in color and cinemascope. These movies offer the student a chance to relax and enjoy a wholesome film. The selection of movies is made by the teachers. Each student may attend this activity by purchasing one 5c ticket daily. The proceeds go toward, the purchasing of new equipment for the school.

## Your Health is Important Don't Lose It

In these days of modern medicine, we know that disease comes when something goes wrong in the body. We want to keep ourselves healthy so we always watch our personal hygiene. To improve our personal hygiene we should have an examination by a doctor. Physical and dental examinations must be carried out by physicians and dentists but the remainder of personal hygiene is in the hands of the individual.

There are many things one should do to keep himself healthy; here are a few suggestions.

Physical check-up should be given at least once a year. Diseases and weaknesses can be detected in this way and cured.

Outdoor recreation in the warm sun is a good health builder.

The skin of the body needs home treatment every day. This treatment is washing.

Body cleanliness is important—dirt is the breeding place of disease germs.

Good-posture is a matter both of beauty and health.

Plenty of sleep is needed. A window should be opened wide enough to provide plenty of ventilation.

One of the most obvious demands of the body is food. Food is our main source of energy. Mrs. Dotson, the homemaking teacher, said "You are what you eat". She also said that people should eat fruits and plenty of vegetables. Mrs. Dotson added "everyone should drink lots of milk."

Well-balanced meals build sturdy bodies. Good food provides vitamins.

Our school nurse, Mrs. Edwards, said that breakfast is most important meal of the day. She also wants everyone to know that April is Cancer month. Smoking is a great cause of cancer and she said that the Readers Digest started "A million children now in school will die of lung cancer before they reach the age of 70."

Everyone should try to live a healthy life. This will make us happy, and nice looking. We will make more friends if we take care of ourselves.

## School Spirit

This year, in contrast to the preceding years, our school has excelled in school spirit at basketball games. It is a known fact that the students who attend are primarily the same ones every game, and new faces are scarce. I have noticed at the games that there is a certain section of rooters consisting mainly of members of the Varsity Club who carry through the cheers, and sometimes start their own!

I feel very sincerely that the Booster Club, who states that its chief purpose is to promote school spirit, should have its members attending every game possible and help to develop a larger cheering section. Many of its members may argue that they do attend the games. If so, why don't they sit in one specific section and show that they do? Individuals cheering from different parts of the bleachers scarcely are heard, but joined together, the results are obvious. I also feel that no student should be able to participate in the Booster Club unless he is willing to attend the games. I realize that it is sometimes difficult to go to every game, but is not entirely impossible. This is one way besides making posters, etc., that they can prove they are helping to promote school spirit.

Our last games will be played at home, and if the Booster Club will put forth an extra effort to persuade the students, other clubs, and themselves to attend games will show more school spirit than has ever existed in Lowrey High.

Jack Mihalko

## New Handbook on Way

In order to inform the students who are new to Lowrey of the school's policy and regulations, a Student Handbook will be introduced in September. This handbook, among other things, will contain information about the requirements for graduation, and clubs and extracurricular activities.

Information has been submitted by the chairman of each department and the club sponsor. Mr. Koster is handling all the news concerning counseling. Mr. Romanow and Mr. Dzovigian, the rules, and Mrs. Hofenbacher, of the English department, is in charge of the pamphlet.

The art work being put into the handbook was done by 2 Lowrey students, Dan Sullivan, 12A-7, and Roger Kilponen, 12A-4. The handbook will be printed at Fordson High School.

## Lowrey Students Congratulated

Lowrey's student body was recently congratulated on its good behavior at the noon movies.

These congratulations could very well start a "chain reaction" of events. (1) The students, after being recognized for their good behavior, will continue to behave and apply this good behavior to other much needed areas. (2) The faculty, when alerted to the student body's continued behavior will be more willing to extend privileges.

The little theater has been remodeled into a beautiful, modern auditorium and we intend to keep it this way. We want to be proud of the attractive, comfortable seats and excellent architecture in the theater, not ashamed of ripped seats and marred walls.

As you know, food is not allowed in the little theater at any time. This rule is sensible and will be enforced explicitly by teachers. It is a rule to be respected.

Remember, we are not doing the faculty "a favor" by behaving properly, we are doing ourselves a favor. It will be the students of Lowrey who eventually profit from these actions, not the teachers.

We are hoping that everyone will continue this display of good behaviour. Lowrey is our school too, and we should cooperate in the fullest to keep it nice.

## Inquiring Reporter

In this issue of the Lowrey Light, the question, "What is your pet peeve?" was asked. Here are several replies:

Irene Segal, 12A-7, "People who talk about someone, when they have nothing to talk about."

Linda Said, 12A, "Someone who is very self-centered."

Gordon Naumoff, 12A-6, "Girls who play with my car radio."

Juliet Mallie, 12A-5, "Boys who pull chairs out from under girls."

Arleen Lukaschewski, 12A-5, "Carrying books back and forth to school."

Joanne Ladzinski, 12A-4, "The clicking of pens."

Mary Bawcum, 12A-1, "My brothers, all five."  
Mr. Betzing, "ONE of my pet peeves is fire doors and fire walls!"

Mr. Lowry, "People who hit my car in parking lots and keep going."

Mr. Rice, "I don't have any."

Emily DeGrandchamp, 11A-2, "People who say they are going to do something and don't do it."

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Mary Demers, 11A-2, "When I'm reading and someone pulls the book away."

Ted Gendron, 12A-3, "When you ask a person something and they answer 'nothing'."

Mary Ann Fary, 11A-3, "People who are always cutting up other people."

Howard Blackburn, 12A-1, "Almost anything."

Joan Kruszewski, 12A-4, "People who try to be something they are not."

Sandy Coulson, 11A-2, "People meddle or interfere with other people's business."

Don Ott, 12A-6, "Girls."

Bobby Swank, 11A-9, "Guys who walk with the same girls all the time."

Jim Casey, 10A-2, "People who nag."

## Carnations Brighten Day

Carnations were sold in honor of St. Valentine's Day, Thursday, February 14, 1963, and the sale was sponsored by the Future Nurse Club.

Diane Karpetoff, 11A, was the chairman and organizer of the committee which sold red and white carnations during the morning and fourth and fifth lunch hours.

The carnations were sold for a quarter each, which the club netted approximately a nickel profit. The money will be used to pay for the Future Nurses Club annual pictures and any remaining money will go for educational toys for the children of various hospitals and charities.

The Future Nurses would like to continue their efforts each Valentines Day in hopes of making this an annual tradition at Lowrey.

This project has proved to be very successful and worthwhile in the past.

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## Teacher Spotlight



Mr. Tony Sande, varsity swimming and cross country coach is the subject of the teacher's spotlight for this issue of the Lowrey Light.

Mr. Sande attended prep school in Woodstock, Virginia, but graduated from Western High in Detroit. He then went to Ohio State for his freshman year, and finished his college education at Wayne State, where he participated in swimming. During World War II he served in the U. S. Navy as a specialist swimming instructor.

Coach Sande had taught for eight years at Maples Junior High before coming to Lowrey six years ago. This semester he teaches four boys' gym classes and one general science class.

His family consists of his wife and four sons, the oldest of which is a freshman at Western University.

Coach Sande's hobbies include sailing, coaching, swimming, and operating his ham radio. He spends his summers with his family swimming and fishing on their thirty acre farm at Irish Hills, near Brookland, Michigan.

He stated that he liked coaching, for it's the next best thing to actually participating, and he gets pleasure out of seeing the boys improve.

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Mrs. Zudick, head of the Special Education Department, recommended Gail for this scholarship. According to Mrs. Zudick, "Every opportunity will be planned to introduce this group of students to the wonders of New York. I think they will have a wonderful summer."

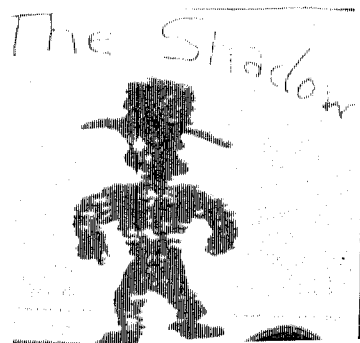
We are very proud of Gail who has been an honor roll student since she enrolled here in 1952.

## Final Bowling News

Members of the bowling club have completed their regular season. The top team in the won-lost standings was team No. 14. Team 14 consisted of Janice Turner, 11A, Diane Smigielski, 11A, and B. Kerns. Through the season the team has a 40-14 won lost record. The second team in the standings was comprised of Jim Winfield, 11A, Janet Settles, 12A, and A. Lolod. The third team in the standings was team No. 2. The members of team 2 were Fred Ligi, 12A, Joan Kruszewski, 12A, and Dennis Sundermeyer, 11A.

The boys high games were bowled by Jim Winfield and Joe Soter. The games were 211 and 200 respectfully. The girls high games were bowled by Janice Turner, 182, and Kathy Sullivan, 172. The high game for a team was 502, bowled by team No. 13, and 434 for team No. 2.

The annual game between the teachers and the bowling club was held on Tuesday, February 26. Results of the games will be published in the next issue of the Lowrey Light.



This week the Shadow is following around a junior boy.

See if you can guess who he is.

1st hour—He is in Art class with Mr. Jones.

2nd. hour—He is in English with Mr. Rice.

3rd hour—He is on Hall Duty by the main office.

4th hour—He is in the cafeteria eating his lunch.

5th hour—He is in Auto Shop with Mr. Oswald.

6th hour—He is in Mr. Fretner's Wood Shop class.

7th hour—He is in Physics with Mr. Keiffer.

## Sports Brief

The Lowrey Light would like to extend its apologies to Ron Kubisiak for not mentioning that he was among the scorers in the basketball game against Romulus. The Light stated in the last issue that the only scorers were Corky Hall with 23 points, Doug Cole with 17 and Jerry Wood with 17. This must be corrected for Ron also scored 2 points.



## Featured Senior

In this issue of the Lowrey Light the Senior Spotlight is centered on Lynn Baumgartner, 12A-1.

Lynn transferred to Lowrey in her junior year from Garden City High School. Her time at Lowrey has been rewarding for she manages to maintain a B average.

At the present, much of Lynn's time is spent helping with the direction of the school play that the Thespians will present this month. She is also an active member of the Booster Club and is on the Annual Staff.

Outside of school, she is primarily interested in vocal music. She attended the Choral Workshop at Wayne State University. This past summer, Lynn had the honor of attending the Interlochen National Music Camp.

After graduation, Lynn plans to go to Henry Ford Community College for two years and then transfer to Eastern Michigan where she will work for a degree in teaching elementary education.

When asked how she felt about graduation, Lynn replied, "I'm going to be sorry to leave Lowrey because I like the school and the activities, but I'm anxious to finish college and get my degree so that I can start teaching."

## Senior Plans

Within the next month or so, our Senior Class hopes to begin holding its annual car washes. Plans are also being made for a bake sale. The proceeds from these activities will help to pay for our Prom at the Veteran's Memorial Building in Detroit, and the Senior Fountain.

Any Senior who wishes to submit an entry for the class song may do so and turn it in to either Lynn Baumgartner, Larry Bohnner, or Mr. Rigotti by March 15. The song that is chosen will be sung at the Graduates' Honor Assembly.

With the coming of spring, the Seniors hope to get together more often and make this last year a memorable one.

## Musicians Compete

There were six groups that represented Lowrey High School at the Solo and Ensemble Festival held at Ypsilanti.

Almost 3000 music students competed in this festival, the largest they ever held. According to Mr. Keranen, "The purpose for music students attending the music festival was to get constructive suggestions how to improve on their instrument.

The adjudicators are mostly college teachers who have themselves mastered the instrument they are judging."

Students who received 1st division ratings are eligible for state competition at which time students who receive 1st or 2nd division ratings receive medals to recognize their accomplishment.

We would like to congratulate the eight Lowrey students who were placed in three top divisions.

**First Division Rating:** Mark McFarlane on clarinet—eligible for state competition.

**Second Division Rating:** Lee Campbell—trombone solo; Nancy Poswalk—flute solo; Joan Waterman.

**Third Division Rating:** Lewis Bado—sax solo; Mark McFarland, Cathy Gorski, Diane Houle and Carole Loftus, Clarinet quartet.

Mark has studied clarinet for close to seven years. He had this comment to make about the Solo and Ensemble Festival, "Going to the Solo and Ensemble Festival was a great experience for me. I learned a lot from this Festival and I think everyone who plays an instrument should make an effort to go to it.

## Alumni News

Alumni now employed—  
Susan Atkinson, '62—employed at Fords.

Sandra Kellner, '62—employed as a secretary.

Mike Alanskas, January '63—employed at King Coffee.

Alumni now attending college—  
Virginia Kea, January '63—attending H.F.C.C.

Gail Sclo, January '63—attending H. F. C. C.

Bob Machnee, January '63—attending H. F. C. C.

Willma Mark, January '63—attending H.F.C.C.

Charles Gregory, January '63—attending H.F.C.C.

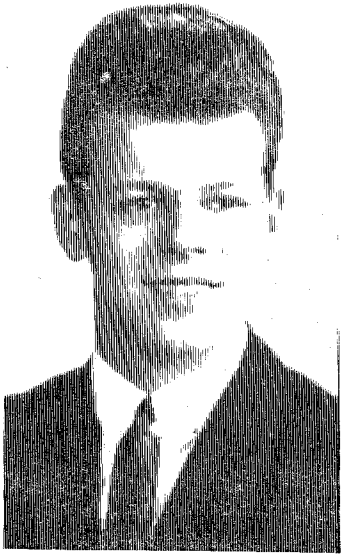
David Moore, January '63—attending H.F.C.C.

Alumni now engaged—

Bob Greco, '56

Alumni in the news—

Sandra Masonis, '62—A freshman at the University of Detroit, was chosen Rose of Delta Sigma Pi. Sandra will compete with Roses from 120 other chapters around the country for the title of National Rose of the fraternity.



## Sports Spotlight

This week the Sport's Spotlight shines on George Wollas, 12A-8. He is from District No. 7. George is the diver on the swimming team, having made a total of 43 points toward his letter this season.

After graduation George plans to attend Henry Ford Community College.

His hobbies are: skating and bowling.

When asked about this year's team he commented, "We may not be doing very good in these regular meets, but in the finals and state meets we may bring home a few trophies. In the future I think Mr. Sande will have a team that will be undefeated."

## Lowrey Loses to Rouge

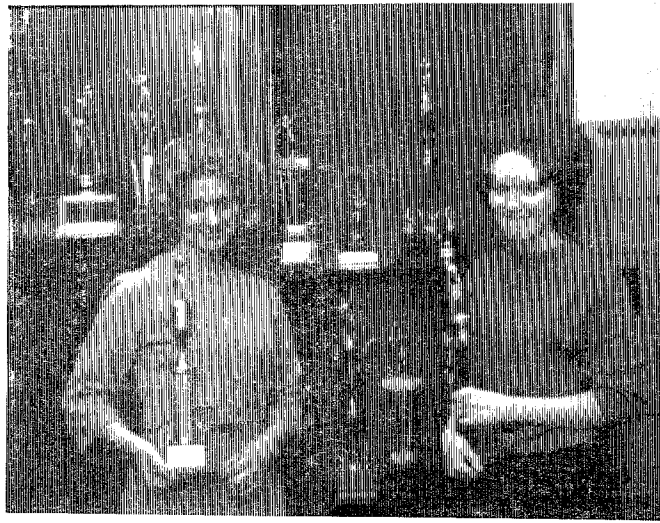
The Lowrey High School Bears lost to Class B State Champions River Rouge on Friday, February 22, by a score of 73-57.

Lowrey was first to score, but at the half time Rouge was leading 46-24. The Lowrey five started to click in the last 12 minutes of the game by outscoring Rouge 28-18. But this late burst failed to provide the initial number of points to win, as the Bears suffered another tough defeat.

The game ended with a bang however, as Dave Bogatay, in a vital effort to score during the final seconds of play, threw the ball at the basket and ended up shattering one of the gym lights.

Doug Cole, who was high scorer, connected with 12 field goals and 3 free throws for 27 points, while Jerry Hall was second highest scorer with 12 points. Dave Bogatay had 9, Marty Hotvedt 7, and Jerry Woods 2.

Considering that River Rouge is Class B Champs, our boys did an exceptionally fine job on the court, playing one of their better games.



## Sports History Reviewed, Trophies Now on Display

Sharon Nisse and Sue Renaud

We recently had a discussion with Lowrey's athletic director Mr. Gretner. We asked him if he would give us some information on Lowrey's past years in sports. He obligingly gave us all the information he could and he also displayed many trophies to us.

Now the trophies are on display for all Lowrey's students to see in the Science Showcase by the homemaking rooms.

From the information that Mr. Gretner gave us we have found out that Lowrey's athletic teams have had tough going recently but the overall record is a successful one.

In 1956, 57, 58 Lowrey's football team was in second place in the Twin Valley League.

The baseball team was successful in 1957 when they won the League Championship. The tennis team won League Championships in the years 1956, 1957, 1958.

The basketball games have been pretty good through the years also. The highest single game was in 1960. The total points were Lowrey 92, Willow Run, 86. The highest scorer for one game was Bob Greco. He scored 42 points in 1955.

The highest career total in basketball was Bob Greco and Don Massey. Bob scored a total of 651 points from the years 1953-1955, in 40 games. Don scored a total of 481 points from 1955-1957, in 46 games.

The highest scorer's for one season were Bob Greco and Bruce Van Draiss. Bob scored a total of 277 points in 1954-1955, with an average of 19.8. Bruce scored a total of 275 points in 1959-1960 with an average of 18.0.

The highest team total was in 1959 and 1960. The total was 964-64.3 points per game.

The best defensive team was in 1956-1957. They played 17 games, and had an average of 51.2 points per game.

The best team record was in 1956-57. They won 11 games and lost 6 games. They were in 3rd place in the Twin Valley League. This is the closest Lowrey's basketball team has ever been in the Twin Valley League.

## Junior High Swimmers Dunked

Lowrey's Junior High swimming team was beaten by Adams Junior High on Thursday, February 14. Although Lowrey swam an excellent meet, breaking two school records, they lost by a score 61-28. In the 100 yard free style, Frank Germany, 9A, set a new record time of 1:03.2 seconds, taking first place in this event. Lowrey also took first place in the 200 yard free style relay. Again in this event Frank Germany, 9A, took first place.

Another school record was set with a time of 28.7 seconds for the 50 yard free style. Even with this excellent time, however, this event only took second place.

## Tennis Practice Begins

Lowrey's varsity tennis team will begin practice during the last week in March.

Mr. Martin, new tennis coach, will take over the duties from Mr. Sande.

Returning lettermen are: Bob Johnson, 12A; Corky Hall, 12A; Dan Good, 11A; Buzz McCall, 11A; Louis Bodo, 11A; Paul Ray, 10A; and Larry Kubitz, 10A.

The team finished third last year but should finish higher this year.

## Lowrey Tankers Lose

The Lowrey High Tankers were beaten by Hamtramck 63-42 on Tuesday, February 19, here at Lowrey. The following is a recap of the meet in which two high school records were broken:

**160 yard medley relay**—Ted Gendron, Harry Sawicki, Dick Graham, and Tim McElmurry turned in a winning time of 1:35.7.

**40 yard free style**—Bob Davis and Ken Hughes took a 1st and 3rd respectively, with Davis's time at 19.7.

**200 yard free style**—Dave Ghetia turned in a 3rd place time of 3:36 with Jack Mihalko taking a 4th.

**160 yard individual**—Doug Sain took a 3rd with a time of 2:43 and John Halstead placed 4th.

**Diving**—George Wollas placed 3rd with Dan Lukashewski taking a 4th.

**100 yard butterfly**—Tim Malyszczek turned in a 3rd place time of 1:54.

**100 yard freestyle**—Bob Davis set a new high school record in this event with a time of 56.8. This was 3/10 faster than his previously high school record of 57.1. Dan Gregory placed 3rd.

**100 yard backstroke**—Ted Gendron broke the high school 100 backstroke record with a new time of 1:05. Bob Brown placed 3rd.

**400 yard freestyle**—Dick Graham placed 3rd with a time of 5:29.8 and Dan Lukashewski placed 4th.

**100 yard Breaststroke**—Harry Sawicki placed 2nd with a time of 1:17.8. Larry Bohner placed 3rd, but was disqualified.

**160 yard freestyle relay**—Tim McElmurry, Ken Hughes, Verne Viger, and Dan Gregory took a first place with a winning time of 1:25.5.

## Baseball Practice Soon

The varsity baseball team will begin practice three or four days after the basketball season ends.

Mr. Rigotti, varsity coach, has five returning lettermen this year. The lettermen are: Marty Hotvedt, 12A; Mal Vaughn, 12A; Rich Cervi, 12A; Steve Seaton, 12A, and Jim Fertack, 11A.

Mr. Rigotti hopes to see more boys out for baseball this year. When asked about the chance for a boy to make the team, he replied, "Every position on the team is in need of improvement somewhere, every player will get a chance to make the team."

When coach Rigotti was asked how his team would finish this year he stated, "Hamtramck will be the team to beat, but Lowrey will be higher up in the standings than last year."

In the next issue of the Lowrey Light, a complete schedule will be announced to the student body.