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Rocky River High School, Rocky River, Ohio-

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RRHS To See 281 Senior Class Members Graduate June 10



CHRIS KOHLER



LYNN WIESENBERGER



KEITH LERCH

Led by the class officers and valedictorians Chris Kohler, Keith Lerch, and Lynn Wiesenberger, 281 seniors will receive diplomas Wed., June 10 at 8 p.m. at Rocky River High School gymnasium.

An invocation by Reverend Ralph E. Darling will be followed by the presentation of the valedictorian medals by Mr. Lewis L. Burkhart, superintendent of schools.

Following the presentations, a choral ensemble, composed of 20 seniors will present I May Never Pass This Way Again.

"The Courage To Be-" is the general topic of the graduation speeches. Tom Lindow will speak on the phase ".... Strong in Body", and Skip Chandler will present ".... Strong in Mind". Pam Guyon will then explore ".... Strong in Soul", and Jim Quarles Strong in Personality. "

Six senior band members will then present Symphony for Brass Choir.

Mr. Arthur M. Bennett, principal, will present the class, and Mr. John W. Mc-Neill, president, board of education, will award the diplomas.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edmund J. Ahern of St. Christopher's will close the ceremony with the Benediction.



TOM LINDOW



SKIP CHANDLER



PAM GUYON



JIM QUARLES

Laurels Bestowed on Scholars at Recognition Assembly

The Annual Recognition Assembly was held May 26, 1964. Mr. Harry Strothers, Principal of the junior high school who is retiring at the close or this school year, was presented as guest of honor at the beginning of the program. Mr. Earl Bohn then recognized Miss Edith White for her 25 years of sponsoring the Thespian Troupe of Rocky River High School. Mr. Bohn was its first president. Awards

Baccalaureate Will Be June 7 The Rev. Donnell Harris of

Westshore Baptist Church will deliver the sermon at the Baccalaureate Service Sun., June 7, at 4 p.m.

He will be assisted by the Rev. James E. Walker of Rocky River Presbyterian Church who will give the invocation, prayer, and benediction.

The choir under the direction of Mr. Harlan Thomas will sing The Lord Is a Mighty God, One Little Candle, Faith of Our Fathers and The King's Highway. The band will add to the ceremony with the traditional Pomp and Circumstance and The Prince of Denmark's March.

were presented by Assistant Superintendent Allan Holland and Principal Arthur Bennett.

Awards Certificates for receiving high scores in the Ohio General Scholarship Test this year were presented to seniors Connie Potts and Jim Talmage for having received honorable mention in Cuyahoga County; Don Boehler, Lucy Flynn, John Fraier, Joseph Graf, Nadine Guker, Patricia Hodge, Rick Holley, Jim McCreary, Stephan Morse, David Smigel and Bill Walker for honorable mention in the County and Kent State University District; Dan Barco, Dan Carlson, Chris Kohler, Keith Lerch, and Linda Lolos for honorable mention in the County, Kent State District, and the State of of Ohio.

Keith Lerch received the Plain Dealer Award as school newspaper "Staffer of the

For a high degree of ability in English expression, both written and spoken, Booth Muller received the Brown University Alumni Award.

A medal provided by the French Cultural office through the French Embassy was presented to Dianne Bradford who also received a certificate from the American Associa-

tion of French Teachers for David Smigel, and Linda Webb. excellence in French IV. Nancy Familo received a certificate for excellence in French II.

The D.A.R. Good Citizen Award was presented to Lynn Anderson.

Lynn Anderson, Robert Baker, Roberta Countryman, James Doan, Nancy Fahy, Barbara Hendricks, William Henry, Christopher Kohler, Jane Mason, James McCreary, Barbara Pfister, Donna Senger, and Marilyn Wiesenberger received, from Mr. Holland, awards of distinction from the State Board of Education for having completed the basic study requiring 4 units of English, 3 units of mathematics, 3 units of science, 3 units of history, and 3 units of foreign language.

A Phi Beta Kappa Award was presented to Marilyn Wiesenberger by Mr. James E. Rocks, representing the Cleveland Association of Phi Beta Kappa.

Letters of Commendation were awarded for the National Merit Scholarship to Robert Bellus, Don Boehler, Dianne Bradford, Tom Brooks. Dan Carlson, Robert Henderson, Jane Mason, Connie Potts.

many of the U.S.A. 's scienti-

Vandersborg, Sweden which

has almost the same population as Rocky River, 19,000, and is

located near the west coast.

The Denisons are looking for-

ward to sharing their interest

of sailing with Nils who is an

Nils were coming much sooner,

it's going to be great. "

Don Denison stated, "I wish

Nils lives in the town of

fic advancements.

avid sailor.

Semi-finalist Certificates for the National Merit Scholarship Test were given to Joseph Graf, Craig Kirkpatrick, Chris Kohler, Keith Lerch, Martha Lesher, Linda Lolos, Marilyn Wiesenberger. Dan Barco is a Merit Scholar having been awarded a scholarship by the F.W. Woolworth Company.

Pat Hodge, "Rocky River's Homemaker of Tomorrow" received an award from The Betty Crocker Division of General Mills for making the highestscore among Rocky River seniors on the National Home Economics test.

Bookkeeping Awards for outstanding work in bookkeeping were as follows: Gold pin to Susan Manco, bronze pin to Jeff Barnett, and Certificates for Proficiency to Cheryl Molnar, Pat Rice, and Linda Williams.

Certificates and pins were presented to Jill Lawson, Carol Kopp, and Nancy Mino for hours spent as junior staff aids in the Red Cross Program.

A Certificate presented by the National Council of Teachers of English was presented to Martha Lesher who was one of 24 in the State of Ohio for excellence in English.

For participation in the League Championship Quiz Bee Team, certificates were awarded to Dan Carlson, Kathryn Riley, Keith Lerch, Steven Lauer, Chris Kohler, Joyce Humel, and Kathryn Crommelin.

High School P. T. A. Dedication Year Honors Awards were made to students for outstanding work in various fields: Mary Beth Brothers and Lynn Wiesenberger, Girls Physical

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River To Host French Girl and Swede study science and math and see

Emmanuelle, who wants to

be called Manou by her friends

is 16 and has two younger sis-

ters and a younger brother.

Manou is a tall, slim, brown-

haired girl with many inter-

ests ranging from political

Nils Andolf (17) looks very

different from the general pic-

ture of a Scandinavian. He is

sixfeet, two inches, slim, and

has very dark hair and eyes.

He wants to visit the U.S. to

science to Louis Armstrong.

students will arrive in Rocky River from Sweden and France via New York for the 1964-65 year August 17.

Emmanuelle Mage from the Paris suburb of Ivry will be living with the Fruchey family of 21101 Morewood Pkwy. Mary Beth Fruchey will be a senior next year. The Denisons of 19000 Frazier will host Nils Andolf of Vanersborg, Sweden. Nils's new American brother, Don Denison will be a junior

Year.

Does Sophistication Show Superiority or Sham?

Each year, a new group of students is graduated from Rocky River High School. Each year, these young adults must make their own places in the adult world.

Faced with new responsibilities and stiffer competition, the weak adolescent too often seeks "props" to boast his wavering ego. Sipping a drink, or brandishing a cigarette with affected nonchalance, he hopes to appear bigger than his problems, or at least indifferent to them. Plagued by thoughts of his own inexperience, the youth clutches a false sophistication as a badge of maturity.

But sophistication is only spectatorism renamed. Too often the sophisticate offers nothing to society, setting himself up, instead, as a critic of things he does not really understand. For example, of the scores of teen-agers trying to be "arty" or "bohemian", how many actually produce art? Very few. Instead they substitute sophisticated chatter for knowledgable discussion. Thomas Wolfe, in his book "Of Time and the River" notes, "....the great danger of this glib and easy jargon of the arts was this; that instead of knowledge, the experience of hard work and patient living, they (the students) were given a formula for knowledge; a language that sounded very knowing, expert and assured, and yet knew nothing, was experienced in nothing, was sure of nothing." Sophistication is no emblem of superiority, but rather an emblem of ignorance.

The challenge facing today's youth, then, is this dedication to ideals and not to appearances. Dedication alone makes the experienced from the inexperienced, the honest from the affected, and the active participant from the mere spectator. Don't just pretend to be "arty", try and create real art! Don't criticize literature -- write some yourself! All things are possible through dedication; failure can be overcome by work.

Each year, a new group of students is graduated from Rocky River High School. May this year's seniors have the courage to scorn on pretension and the dedication to seek real knowledge.





SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS (Back Row L to R) Nancy Davis, Ronda Wulf, Peg Fitzgerald, Bill Roser. (Front Row L to R) Linda Lolos, Kay Haas, Genie Merrell. Tom Brooks is missing from the photograph.

Benzle, LauerTo Go to Boys' State

Skip Benzle and Steve Lauer have been chosen to represent RRHS at this year's Buckeye Boys' State, June 10-20, at Ohio University in Athens.

Get Applications For Armed Service Academies Now

Applications for appointments to the service academies for the classes starting in July, 1965 can now be obtained from Mr. Herbert Agnor, guidance counselor. Completed forms, accompanied by a transcript of grades must be returned to Representative William E. Minshall no later than July 1, 1964.

The twenty-third district, represented by Mr. Minshall, has vacancies in the United States Naval, Military, Air Force, and Merchant Marine Academies.

examination. Additional infrom Mr. Agnor.

Boys' State is sponsored by the American Legion. At Boys' State, a model state legislature is formed in which every student participates. A governor is elected and bills are passed by the legislature.

Two junior boys are selected on the recommendation of their history teachers, based on their achievements, interest, and leadership qualifications.

Four Teachers To Leave RRHS

Several Rocky River High School teachers will not be returning next year.

Mrs. Polly Langermeier will be retiring from teaching temporarily to take care of her two children, Gregg and Geoff. She will be attending graduate school in the evenings to earn her master's degree in English. She hopes to return to teaching when her children attend school.

Mrs. Rosario Ziegler is leaving Rocky River High School for health reasons.

Helen and Tony Bid Fond Farewell

Seniors To Leave With Hope and Memories

Though many seniors feel a normal jubilance at the end of their final year, and a hope for the years to come, nevertheless many of us will leave Rocky River with more than a few pleasant memories.

For example, we will take with us more than our fine academic training -- we remember that first day up from the junior high when we wondered if we'd ever be as big as those seniors... and those first few canteens we went to -- boy the sock hops at RRJHS were never like that.

But some of the fondest memories will come in the area of sports. Who could forget that game at North Oliasted in 1961 when the underdog Pirates whipped a North Oli.isted team before over 5,000 people. Or, do you remen ber the 1962 basketball seaso'n when the Pirates were conference champs?

But more than all that there were the small things that made River a place to do more than just soak up a little education -like that little breakfast on the lawn our Junior year, and the fun that we had at the lunch table messing around with the guys.

It is with memories like these that we leave Rocky River High, dry eyed, but with a fond spot there for the years to come. And remember, whether next year finds you at school, or on the job--you'll be a freshman again.

Mrs. Marilyn Johnson and Mrs. Connie Burgess are leaving the city because their husbands are being trans ferred.

9 Cover the Riverfront. . .

DONATED BY TOM GEORGE, junior, to the amusement of his study hall companions in the last weary weeks of school:

Every night on a transoceanic lines, a magician would perform for the passengers. One of the passengers owned a talking parrot, who would heckle the magician every night. When the magician went to perform a trick, the parrot would sing out, "Hoax, Phoney, Fraud, Fake" and all that rot. This constant heckling went on for five days, and rightfully angered the magician.

One bright day the ship sank, and who should end up in the same life boat but our feathered friend and his buddy, Houdini! The two just sat across from each other and stared for three days when the parrot finally blurted out, "Ok wise guy, what did you do with the ship?

JUDY HUSBAND, Senior.... has won 24 first place ratings in junior and high school competitions, among other honors, for her cornet expertise. She plans to continue her musical education at Baldwin-Wallace College.

THE NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS of the Rocky River High School Chapter of the Youth Council on Human Relations are, John English, president; Dave Warren, vicepresident; Sue Weitz, secretary; and Ellice Forman, treasurer.

CHIP STOFER.... class of '61 was the only engineering student at Purdue to receive the Scott Paper Award for all around achievement.

exactly 264 days and about 2 hours since I got out of the bus in the Greyhound bus depot in Cleveland, and caught sight of my American family, almost lost in the crowd there. At that time I had not been inside a house since I left Adelaide ll days before, and having lived in hotels and dormitories for far too long, I greeted the Gibbs' house on Dellbank Drive as a real home.

In many ways it seems years since that night in August, because in the few months since then I have come to know River so well. But in another way I feel as if I must have skipped a few months somewhere, because it is such a short time until I have to leave.

As far as I know I will leave River on about June 28 and after a bus trip to Washington, D.C. and New York, I willfly from San Francisco on July 28, arriving in Sydney at about 7 p.m. July 30. After I

gethome, I will not go back to my high-school again, and I might take some sort of job until I enter the Adelaide University in March '65.

Well, so much for my future plans. For the present, I would like to thank all of you who have been so kind to me, students and teachers, for helping to make this the most wonderful year I have ever had. I know I am going to get homesick for Rocky River after I have left, so if any of you ever find your way to Australia, don't dare to go away without seeing me--just look us up-we are the only Bahnsens in the phone book!

Helen Bahnsen

River students, before I leave I want to tell you good bye. My year with you has gone, pretty soon I'll have to go back. It won't be easy because I learned to like you, to like Rocky River and the States, and it is not simple to walk back and leave everything and everyone I met here.

It is hard also if I am going back to my country, because you have been real nice to me.

I liked to work with you. I had so much fun at the practices for the senior play and during the foot-ball games, trying to change the luck of our team yelling in Italian.

Iowe it to you if now I can play a little of basketball and tennis, and if I know the difference between a hamburger and a hotdog.

I had been sailing on Lake Erie; I visited some of the universities where you will go next year; I saw Jim Brown and Isaw Niagara Falls. Thank you very much, River students, for all I learned; I won't forget you.

Whatever you will do in your life, I wish you the best of happiness. Good-bye and farewell.

All candidates are required to take the Civil Service Examination which will be given in Cleveland July 13, 1964, and to take a preliminary physical formation can be obtained

As I write this article, it is

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QUIZ KIDS are (L to R) Kathy Crommelin, Keith Lerch Chris Kohler, Dan Carlson, and Kathy Riley.

Quiz Bee Team Victorious; **Upholds RRHS Supremacy**

The RRHS Quiz Bee Team won the championship in current events in the contest held May 8 against North Olmsted and Bay Village.

The team was made up of Chris Kohler and Keith Lerch, seniors; and Kathy Crommelin, Joyce Humel, Steve Lauer, and Kathy Riley, juniors. Dan Carlson was the alternate.

This year's team had one of the highest number of points since the contests started in 1937. Rocky River had 66 1/2 points to Bay Village's 58 and North Olmsted's 57 1/2.

Rocky River has won the conference championship for the last three contests. Because of the newspaper strike. there was no contest last year. As a result, sophomores did not try out for Quiz Bee since they knew nothing about it.

'The team this year had an unusually large number of facts to learn, " said Mr. Thomas Duke, adviser," and they did so remarkably well. "

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The night before the assembly the members of the team held their victory dinner. While doing some last-minute studying, they enjoyed a Beatle cake dedicated to the "Quiz Bee-tles.

Girls' Leaders Elect Officers: **Beatles Entertain at Potluck**

Laureen Brothers and Jan Stafford have been elected president and point chairman respectively of Girl's Leaders for next year.

The election results were announced at the annual senior Leader's potluck held Thurs., May 19 from 5-7 o'clock.

Each class had entertainment for the group. The juniors presented a Beatle's act featuring Kathy Finegan as John, Missy Mayer as Ringo, Jan Stafford as Paul, and Marianne Williams as George.

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The juniors also presented each senior with a class ring and a diploma.

Whitney, James

Plan To Attend

This summer juniors, Warren Whitney and Peggy James will attend a two week camping program at Camp Miniwanca. Both students were recommended by the guidance de-

partment on the basis of lead-

ership, and were awarded

scholarships by the Lakewood

Rotary Club. Warren is the newly elected president of Stu-

dent Council, and Peggy will serve as vice-president of the

Camp Miniwanca is located on Lake Michigan and owned by the American Youth Founda-

tion. Offering varied pro-

grams of leadership and spir-

itual training the camp stress-

es the balanced development of

a well integrated personality.

The camp attracts young col-

lege and high school students

from the entire country.

1964-1965 Girl's Council.

The seniors read a short poem about each junior girl and put on a skit centered around the letters in the word Leáders.

"The senior Leaders would like to thank the juniors for the potluck. We wish Laureen and Jan the best of luck for next

Rusty Tom Jim Lou Dick Doug Sue Mary Ky

Student Council Chooses New Committee Chairmen

Student Council President Warren Whitney has announced the Student Council committee chairmen for 1964-65. The members of their committees will be made up of homeroom representatives.

The Building and Grounds committee will be headed by Jim Cartwright. This committee is in charge of locker clean-ups and keeping the grounds clean.

Rusty Anderson, treasurer. will head both the Cafeteria and Finance committees. As Finance chairman he will plan Council's budget. Sue Stevens will assist Rusty as co-chairmanof the Cafeteria -- they are in charge of hosts and hostess-

Mary Dittoe and Dick Williams will head the Publi-

by Kathy Riley city and Recreation committees respectively. Mary will plan all showcases and handle all Student Council publicity. Dick will plan all money-raising projects, such as this year's Hootenany.

Doug Morrison will head the Student Government committee, in charge of honor study halls and discipline.

Louis Caravella will be Monitor chairman. He is now in the process of selecting them for next year.

Ky Beckstett will handle Membership and Tom Yeaser will direct the Safety committee, in charge of safety practices in the school.

This group will compose next year's Executive Student Council

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Track Team and Baseball Team Take First in Conference **Pirates Finish Strong First Perry Pitches No-Hitter**

For the second straight year, the Rocky River varsity track team took first place in the Southwestern Conference track meet. The annual meet was again held at the River track.

The Pirates finished a strong first, 24 points ahead of second place Oberlin and 28 points ahead of third place Olmsted Falls. River totaled 58 points.

Leaders for River were senior Jack Nordstrom who took a first place in the discus and shot put, and sophomore Terry Kellemann who finished first in the mile.

Education; Greg Barnett, Stage

Crew; Lee Buch, William Bur-

ton, and Pamela Kimball, Bio-

logy; Kenneth Drews and William VanderWyden, Chemis-

try; Steven Lauer, American

History; Keith Lerch, Journal-

ism and Latin; Linda Lighton,

Home Economics, Marilyn

Merrell, Art; Robert Niebaum,

Mathematics; Anthony Nie-

derst, Science; James Tal-

mage, Physics, Susan Carson,

Shorthand; and Dan Barco,

Robert Bellus, Tom Brooks,

David Crossley, Robert Dea-

therage, Joseph Graf, Patricia

Hoskin, Judith Husband, Alene

Lamprecht, Constance Potts,

and Gary Terbeek, Music

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with Nordstrom finishing second in the discus with a toss of 163'. Bill Boehler was third in this event with a toss of 158' 4". This totaled seven points for the team in the state competition. The outlook for next season

state meet held at Columbus

is bright. Kellemann will return as will runners John Boros and Tom George who are all members of the four-mile relay team that set a new school record this spring

Dave Kergaard will replace Nordstrom and Boehler as the River ace in the discus and shot put next year.



All things must someday end, even the bubonic plague finally ended, and this marks the last issue of this year's HI-TIDE. With the passing of the HI-TIDE, so ends my brief career as a sports columnist.

Though my time span was short, I feel that I learned a few things. Like how foolish you feel when you come out with a gem like "we must ex-

Lee Perry led the Rocky River varsity baseball team to the Southwestern Conference Championship by pitching a no-hitter against Medina, May 22. Perry struck out 15 batters and was aided by 6 Pirate runs to make the final score 6-0 in River's favor.

Bob Cross hit a grand slam home run in which the ball st ruck the maintenance building approximately 400 feet away from home plate. Gary Martin added to River's score by also slamming a home run.

Coach Don Kelly stated, "I'm very pleased with taking the Southwestern Conference Championship. I feel the boys have done an exceptionally good job all year and certainly deserve it. With a little bit of luck, perhaps we could have gone farther.

Lee Perry and Rick Holley lead River's pitchers with 7-2 records each. Al Cashin and Bruce Muselin follow with 4-3 and 2-l records respectively. The earned run averages are Holley . 31, Perry . 62, Muselin . 84 and Cashin 1. 80.

River's overall record stands at 21-10. In the Southwestern Conference, River's record is 10-1, losing only to North Olmsted.

Batting Leaders

Bill Faup	.316
Art Collins	. 259
Gary Martin	. 255
Bob Cross	. 247
Vince Gandolfi	. 217



River also placed well in the **Recognition Assembly...**

Boughton, Lee Buch, William Burton, Sherry Feitz, Virginia Gilkey, Rebecca Gillette, Chris Jones, Dennis Keyes, Dwight Stoffel, Robert Thompson, William Thompson, and Alan Watts.

sponsored by local organizations were awarded. Mrs. Dana H. Bailey, representing the Dedication Year P.T.A., presented a scholarship to William Roser; Mrs. E.L. Davis Rocky River Women's Club presented scholarships to Nancy Davis and Ronda Wulf; Mrs. William Hamilton, Rocky River Junior Women's Club presented a scholarship to Margaret Fitzgerald; Mrs. George Purdy, High School P. T. A. presented a scholarship to Tom Brooks; Mrs. Robert Hobson, PTA Council presented scholarships to Linda Lolos and Kay Haas; and Mr. William Booth, Rocky River Chamber of Commerce

Marilyn Merrell. 24 students, according to information at hand, have received scholarships from many sources and were called by name and asked to stand to be recognized by their class-

mates. The foreign exchange students, Helen Bahnsen and Tony Corti, made a few remarks to the student body, this being the



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