

SAD Members Have a Worthy, Difficult Dream

"S.A.D. is not planning to force integration in Dearborn, but rather to eliminate racists' attitudes in Dearborn and therefore contribute to a healthy atmosphere where blacks might live where they choose," explains junior **Steve Boatman**, vice-president of S.A.D. at Edsel Ford.

S.A.D. members from Edsel Ford, Dearborn High, Fordson, and Henry Ford Community College have joined forces and have met regularly during the school year.

Mr. Hayward Wilson was welcomed by S.A.D. members on February 13. Mr. Wilson, a black militant from CORE (Congress On Racial Equality), explained black power to the group. Plans for the future include two additional speakers who will represent different viewpoints. S.A.D. hopes to host a white racist and an unbiased individual.

A retreat to Ann Arbor is scheduled for March 15 to meet with FAIR (Student Race Relations Group). The retreat will provide an opportunity to talk about issues concerning black-white relations as well as afford an opportunity for pleasure.

S.A.D. is now in the process of editing a newsletter. Coverage will be given to events planned by the club. S.A.D.'s purpose, and racial problems created within the Dearborn school system. Any student is welcome to contribute poems, editorials, and news stories.

Power Panel Electrifies D6

A new machine has been added to the electronic equipment in D6.

Mr. Robert Connors, electronics instructor, explains that the power and meter panel has a variable voltage output for tubes and transistors. It measures currents and voltages up to 400 volts and has a wide range of amps.

The units of measure "volt" and "amp" permit students to perform many experiments which they were previously unable to carry out, experiments such as proving theory of amps, computing the power in circuits, and computing the power supply and amplifier circuits.

The machine saves valuable space in D6 because it packs many meters into one space. Mr. Connors stated that the panel is "student proof", meaning that no burn-outs can occur while the machine is in operation.



This boy's face may be familiar, but the name may not be. To those in doubt, this is **Jose Cartellone**, Edsel's foreign exchange student from Argentina. Beware! He is a karate and judo expert.

Jose's Trip Cuba Bound

Jose Cartellone, an exchange student from Argentina, arrived in Detroit on January 13 after a "visit" to Cuba. His plane was hijacked, and Jose spent a day at a Cuban university.

In Argentina, he attended a Catholic school where he studied fourteen required subjects. He is majoring in accounting, physics, and chemistry and plans to become a civil engineer.

In Argentina, Jose explained, students are not rebelling and protesting as they are in America. If anything, he feels that the hippies in his country are "clean." He added that Argentine law prohibits protest demonstrations because authorities feel that these protesters represent free love. In Jose's opinion, American students are under fewer restrictions than those in Argentina.

After a semester of study, Jose will fly back to Argentina on July 1, hoping to avoid another detour to Cuba.

Mrs. Smetana, Cafeteria Mgr., Retires After Twenty-five Years

Each year principals and teachers make the big decision to retire. Recently, a very quiet retirement took place: that of **Mrs. Louella Smetana**, cafeteria manager of Edsel Ford.

Mrs. Smetana began her career as a cafeteria manager in 1944, at William Ford Elementary School and later transferred to Maples Junior High School. In 1960, she became cafeteria manager at Edsel Ford.

As cafeteria manager, she planned menus and staff work schedules,

Musical Festival Shows Edsel Melodically Skilled

Seventeen Edsel Ford instrumental music students exhibited their talents in the semi-annual Solo and Ensemble Festival held at Henry Ford Community College on Saturday, February 15.

The students joined students from other schools in the Detroit area in competition for the top judges' rating of I, which would permit them to participate in the State Solo and Ensemble Festival in Ferndale, Michigan, on March 22.

The following students received I ratings for instrumental solos: **Dean**

Masouredis, 11A, trombone; **James Harlow**, 11A, viola; **Jean Detar**, 12A, Bb clarinet; **Dave Freedman**, 12A, piano; **Al Karenko**, 12A, piano; **Chris Dunosky**, 12A, flute; and **Isabelle Slagen**, 11A, violin.

Highly rated instrumental duets included those of **Isabelle Slagen**, 11A, violin, and **Dorothy Schubatis**, 11A, violin, I; **James Harlow**, 11A, violin, **Chris Dunosky**, 12A, flute, I; **Nancy McCann**, 10A, flute, and **Debbie Johnson**, 10A, flute, II. A trio consisting of Bb clarinet players **Jean Detar**, **Eulaine Pittenger**, and **Sara Rebert** received a rating of II.

Northeastern Exchange Day Valuable Experience For All



Northeastern H. S. students and their hosts meet to discuss the exchange day.

As the 15 Northeastern High School students, their hosts, and members of the E.F. chapter of S.A.D. filed into room A8 at 3:30 on February 27, most automatically took a seat. However, informed that they were to relax and enjoy themselves, the students were soon on their feet, talking, dancing, and snacking on potato chips.

The after-school social gathering

climaxed a student exchange day, part of the Shared Learning Experience program, a project sponsored by the federal government. Miss Susan Nagy, Edsel Ford social studies instructor, feels that such exchanges are valuable because they enable students to share varied backgrounds and discover common interests. Their primary goal, she says, is "contact."

Contact between visitors and hosts inevitably led to a comparison of their two schools. The visitors were impressed by some of Edsel's physical facilities, especially Thornley Court, the greenhouse, and the auditorium. In turn, Edsel Ford students learned that Northeastern has an integrated student body numbering around 1,000. **Donna Alford**, a Northeastern senior, noted that her school's smaller enrollment results in a friendlier atmosphere and more social contact.

Another visitor, when asked to name a difference between Edsel and Northeastern, replied bluntly, "Our school is integrated." During the exchange, that distinction disappeared; and students from both schools had an opportunity for contact.

ordered and bought food, supervised the staff, and attended to countless other duties.

Edsel's new manager, **Mrs. Merl Corl**, commented that Mrs. Smetana "was very well liked, a good worker, and liked the students. She had their interests at heart."

Mrs. Smetana retired on February 21, 1969, exactly 25 years after her career began. Nine of these were spent at Edsel.

Silent Workers Create The 'Real' Show

The public doesn't seem to realize the amount of time and effort that must be expended to put on a musical such as **Brigadoon**. The final product presented on the stage is the end result of many people working together in various areas toward a common goal: a good production.

Things started to move in November with the final selection of the musical; December saw the selection of the cast; and the new year ushered in concentrated rehearsals for all. In addition to all of this, students were being chosen to perform in the instrumental portion of the musical under the direction of Mr. Eldon Scott. Smaller groups were also joining forces to tackle the tedious, but important details that a musical of this size encompasses. Publicity, make-up, costumes, lighting, and props are some of the major committees that had to be formed and guided in the right direction as soon as possible. Pictures had to be taken, stories written to publicize the event, junior high



schools had to be contacted to see if they would be interested in coming to a matinee performance, and a rehearsal schedule had to be drawn up. The rehearsal schedule has become the most complicated thing ever. Try to get some 80 people together at the same time, at the same place, for a few hours, and not have it interfere with any of the school's plans or any outside activities such as swimming meets, and also have it at times that

everyone can attend. Also, it seems that many people overlook all of the effort that is expended backstage. This year's stage crew is faced with the tremendous task of making a whole town disappear on stage. This task is magnified when one realizes that the stage crew has diminished in number.

All of this time and effort has been expended for you. Can't you give a little of your time in return? Come and see **Brigadoon**, March 20, 21, and 22.

New Forensics Class Grabs Second Place Trophy In Tight Competition At Jackson

Saturday, February 22, Edsel Ford's newly-formed forensics squad took second place out of a field of twenty-one schools in a meet at Jackson's Linman Christi High School. Forensics is a series of speeches in five categories: Humorous, Series, Declaration, (memorizing another's speech, for sophomores only), Radio News-casting, and Original Oratory.

Mrs. Lee McFarlin, forensics coach, saw eight of her twelve students reach the finals. Entered in the humorous speech classification were **Mary Prescott**, 12A, who took first place for her efforts, and **Bill Hendricks**, 12A, who won third place honors. **John Prosytiuk**, 11A, and **Gary Johnson**, 12A, netted fourth and fifth places for their efforts in the serious oratory division. **Teri Zigman**, 11A, saw her bid fall short.

Sophomores **Cathy Mielnik** and **Linda Gancarz** were entered in the declamation category, and Linda placed third. Senior **Bob Van Andel** and sophomore **Jack Beyronneau** received fourth and fifth places, respectively, for their radio broadcasts. **Laural Pileh**, 12A, won third place honors in the original oratory competition.

Edsel's total score was four points less than that of champion Battle Creek but still high enough to edge out favored Dearborn High. **Bill Hendricks** summed up the team's feelings best when he chortled, "Our teacher said we were only going to get our feet wet, but we ended up skinny-dipping!"

New Science Class Developed By Three

As of last September, incoming sophomores who decided not to major in science were eligible to enroll in a new elective course which is the equivalent of a regular two-semester science course.

The elective class focuses on biology. The majority of the class time is spent in lab sessions, but discussions and demonstrations are included in the one-hour time block.

The class was designed to acquaint students with proposed solutions to problems, such as over-population, air and water pollution, and the need for conservation of natural resources. Teachers working in coordination with the class are Mr. Herman Boatin, Mr. Joseph Maguire, and Mr. Eugen Wozniak.

VCY Moves On Up

"Have you ever sat on an electric chair that gives an excruciating pain?" chuckles senior **Sandy Bonzack**.

"Did you hear that the Wild Goose Chase is coming soon?" inquires senior **Pat Dillingham**.

"Campus life is Panic Happening," reports senior **Kathy Samuelson**.

These teenagers, and teenagers in fifty-four nations around the world, belong to the Voice of Christian Youth (VCY), a non-denominational organization for high school students.

VCY is built around equal emphasis of the mental, physical, social, and spiritual areas of life and designed to encourage the teenager to live a balanced life. Mr. Bob Pulmer, who sponsors Campus Life, a chapter of VCY, says of teenagers, "This is the most valuable time you can help them."

Campus Life meetings are attended by students from Dearborn and Edsel Ford high schools. The bi-monthly meetings are scheduled on Thursday evenings and emphasize various aspects of the balanced life. **Bob Palmer** adds that the meetings "specialize in the unusual." Films, guest speakers, toboggan parties, and games are but a few of the activities planned for future get-togethers.

Rob Hair, a Dearborn High senior, sums up the organization: "Campus Life not only provides a good opportunity for recreation, but it also has a great message for the youth of today. It is a worthwhile experience for any high school student."

There are no dues or membership requirements. The next meeting is to be Thursday, March 13 at Nancy Barlow's home on 21713 Carlisle.

Troubled Students Find Peace AT EF

By Chris Cooper

Recently, in a Dearborn public school students have met on their own free will to converse about their experiences with drugs, in the presence of an adult who listens, with some of their conversation. Who could this adult be that these teens can talk freely to, and can seemingly command their respect?

This person is Miss Joanna Bielecki, who is not a nark, but rather a social worker tuned in to the problems facing the adolescents of today. We at Edsel Ford are fortunate to have Miss Bielecki on our staff twice a week, although the average student doesn't know who she is, or what she does.

In past years at E.F., Miss Bielecki has dealt mainly with teens brought in by their counselors with delinquency or emotional problems. Because of this, the typical student didn't come in contact with her, and thought she dealt mainly with these type kids.

Miss Bielecki remarks, however, that there is beginning to be a small drug abuse problem at Edsel, and a few students have found their way to her office to talk confidentially (under law) of their drug problems. Miss Bielecki remarks, "Our interest is mainly in the kids who are using drugs and realizing they have other problems." Miss Bielecki pushes the "why" of the drug problem instead of the "don't."

The drug problem is not the only field Miss Bielecki deals with. She has helped many a teen-ager through an emotional crisis in their life and has listened to the countless problems of youth.

Miss Bielecki is at E.F. all day Monday and Thursday. Appointments to see her can be made by putting a note in her box in the main office, or in the large envelope in the guidance area.



Several amusing games are played at the meetings. Left: Dearborn High senior **Bob Green** is the result of a mummy contest. Right: Edsel Ford sophomore **Jeff Chiasson** is posing as a human Christmas tree.





PREP TALK

by Tom O'Connell

I'd like to apologize for the statement I made in my last column concerning disunity on the basketball team. I discovered much too late that the rumor was completely unfounded. My apologies to Coach Arnold Domke and the entire basketball team.

With the winter sports schedule having run its course, we can now look forward to spring competition. As soon as the courts are dry, Edsel Ford's tennis team will begin practice. I have already heard rumors that this year's team, capably coached by Mr. Ralph Cornell, is going to capture the Sauk Trail League title. As a matter of fact, senior **Bob Kosztowny** is planning to attend the state meet in May. Good luck, Bob.

In other sports action, Mr. Neil Brown's golf team should begin putting practice soon. With a lot of spectator support, the boys may better last year's 8-4 won-lost record. Their coach has finally broken 90—on the first nine holes!

Seven-Eleven may be lucky numbers for people who gamble with dice, but 18-0 is preferable to track coaches Mr. Jack Bridges and Mr. Arnold Domke. Striving to attain a perfect record, Edsel ashmen are already working to become a team of "fleet feet."

They may not be World Series-bound, but the T-Bird baseball team isn't threatening to boycott spring training, either. You can bet that when Mr. Jon Davis announces the beginning of regular practice, the entire team will be out to prove that last year's 9-7 won-lost record was just a temporary setback.

The pro baseball player strike is finally over! The thought of a summer without our Tigers is almost unbearable. Can you imagine going through the long months without once hearing the crack of Willie Horton's bat or the voice of Ernie Harwell, the Tiger announcer, as he shouts over the microphone, "You can kiss that one good-bye!"? Or missing the sound of Denny McLain's fastball smack into Bill Freehan's mitt. Unthinkable!



Wrestlers Rule as District Champions

Coach Pat Wyka and his wrestlers topped off a fine season by placing first in the district championships, as three members of the team earned first place berths. The team's final record was eight wins, two losses, and two ties. Edsel's victory came in a tough meet attended by sixteen schools, including John Glenn (second with 67 points) and Wayne (third with 66 points). Their efforts were far outdistanced by those of the T-Birds', who scored 78 points.

Senior **Tom Mooney** outclassed all rivals in the 95-lb. class, as did **Mark Rodak**, 12A; in the 112-lb. division and **Bob Wancha**, 11A; at the 145-lb. spot. Coach Wyka was very pleased with the trio's efforts and pointed out that Wancha had been sidelined with various injuries for much of the year.

By placing second in their classes, **Larry Bell**, 11A; (127-lb.), and seniors **Brian Guffrey** (165-lb.), and **Tom Verrill** (heavyweight) will, along with the first place winners, journey to the fierce state regionals.

Although their season is over, **Jeff Olinik**, 10A; **Gary Schauer**, 11A; and **Jack Gruska**, 12A; all finished creditably by placing fourth. Olinik, a sophomore whose performance shows great promise for the next two years, wrestled in the 103-lb. class, Schauer in the 138-lb. division, and Gruska in the 154-lb. class.

Coach Wyka pointed out that his

wrestlers grappled with many schools which, unlike Edsel, have junior high wrestling and assistant coaches.

The meet was certainly a thrill for the coach; the districts were the first team championship of this type ever won by Edsel Ford and Jeff Olinik became the first sophomore champ in the Sauk Trail League.

In comparison to Coach Wyka's T-Birds total of nine medals to take first place with 78 points, Dearborn High collected 63 points for fourth place; Fordson 56 points, fifth spot; Melvindale 53 for sixth place; Lincoln Park 13, seventh; and Allen Park suffered a shut out for eighth spot.

Yesterday the wrestling squad and Mr. Wyka visited Stout Jr. High, where the team presented wrestling demonstrations for the boys' phys. ed. classes.

Volleyball Playnite Team Readies; Large Archery Turnout Expected

March promises to move vigorously for G.A.A. members.

At the present time, two hundred volleyball enthusiasts are practicing spiking, digging, and set-ups. Their efforts are spurred by the hope of being selected to compete against the Dearborn High and Fordson



As I last left you, I was sneaking into my house under the cover of darkness. However, if Track Coach Skip Domke's prediction comes true, senior shot-putters **Ken Cornell** and **Joe Trautwein** will be thundering, not sneaking into state competition for their efforts.

These two great shot-putters are stirring up excitement and interest in the '69 track season and a two-day trip to Mansfield, Ohio, for one of the biggest high school track meets in America.

The cindermen are also invited to participate in the Huron Relays along with over 40 other teams across the state. Names like **Rick Cadwell**, 11A; **Phil Beuckelaere**, 11A; (you said a mouthful), and sophomore **Pete Murtaugh** crop up in any list of outstanding cindermen. Rick and Phil are veterans of last year's successful cross-country team.

Coach Domke pins a lot of hope on returning lettermen **Cornell** and **Trautwein** and also senior **Steve Gee**, who has fine style in the pole vault. Gee is better known as the **Bolt's** photography editor. At times, Steve forgets this and tries to write articles. Steve's a "heckuva" nice guy, and he knows I'm really joking.

Doug Teachout, 11A, according to one trackman, is the fastest man on the team. Teachout and the fellow who gives him this praise, **Jim Talasis**, 11A, run the 220-yard dash. Only Talasis can challenge Teachout, and last year they constantly lowered each other's times.

Next issue, I swing at baseball.

History Repeats: Pioneers Fall!

Edsel Ford gained the lead in the early minutes of the first quarter and never lost it as the T-Birds defeated the Pioneers of Dearborn High on Friday, February 21 by the score of 81-65. A 28-point fourth quarter padded a five-point lead and clinched the T-Birds' second basketball victory over the Pioneers this season.

Dearborn controlled the ball the first few minutes of the game, but Edsel soon warmed up and grabbed a 21-17 first quarter lead. Early in the second quarter, the T-Birds ran up a 10-point margin; and, although Dearborn whittled away at it, E.F. enjoyed a 35-29 halftime score. Edsel maintained a comfortable margin with

their 13-point period, but the Pioneers fought their way back; and the period ended with a 53-48 score. Led by junior **Bill Myer** and sophomore "**Chick**" **Danielson**, the T-Birds exploded for 28 points in the fourth, and the final score was 81-65.

Edsel averaged an excellent 53% from the floor, a new season high. In scoring, Bill Myer held down honors with 21 points. Other players who scored in the double-figure column were "**Chick**" **Danielson** and **Jim Gnewkowski**, 12A; both with 16; and senior **Ken Cornell**, with 11 points. Leading their teammates in rebounds were Ken Cornell with 15, and **Mike**

Galay, 12A, who grabbed nine.

This was Edsel's second victory over Dearborn in two games this season. Earlier this year, Edsel scalped the Pioneers in a home game. The T-Birds' victory guarantees them a second-place slot behind the champion Ypsilanti Braves in the Sauk Trail League. E.F.'s record now stands at 5-2 in league competition and 10-7 in overall games.

Many thought the away game would bring an end to Edsel's domination, but the T-Birds out-shot the Pioneers. As history repeated itself, a group of Pioneers led the way—but this time it was only into the locker room after the defeat.

teams on March 18. Miss **Carole Gates** remarks, "If I could only get these girls to play as a team, then we'd really slaughter Dearborn."

March also offers intraschool archery competition. More than two hundred girls have signed up to test their skills. Co-ed volleyball will also be offered for senior G.A.A. members and senior boys on March 25 and 27.

A money-making project is in the making as the G.A.A. Council ponders the possibility of selling key chains marked with the E.F. emblem. Hopes are that the sale will begin in late March. The profit that is made will be used to finance lounge improvements.

Proposed improvements include window shades for the outer windows which face the front of the school, new plaques to decorate the drab walls, and several decorative plants.

Some of the girls tentatively being considered for the Volleyball Playnite include foreign exchange student, **Cristina Guimares**, 12; and cheerleaders, **Joanie Carol**, **Norma Osborn**, both 12A's, and **Marrian Shaffran**, 11A.