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## Student strives for excellence

by Ryan Bradley

For a high school student, it is difficult to receive notoriety. To be recognized, students must excel in what they do, whether it is academics, athletics, or citizenship. Recently, senior Molly Duman was recognized for doing just that: excelling in the field of academics. Molly was selected to represent Indiana at the United States Department of Energy Summer Institute due to her outstanding academic record.

The invitation to the U.S. Department of Energy was not the first time Molly has been accredited for her work as a scholar. As a result of her work with Mr. Longnecker in the Research Biology class she has received many grants and rewards, and her research work was probably a major reason for her invitation to the Summer Institute. Also, this year Molly was named one of Adam's co-valedictorians. Molly's trip to the Department of Energy will instead serve as the high point so far in Molly's academic career.

"My interest in biology came about freshman year," Molly explained. "Molly has been a consistent A+ science student in our honors science sections," Mr. Longnecker adds. "She is never satisfied with minimum class production and will continue to investigate areas of interest." One area of interest for

Molly was research, and so she signed up for Mr. Longnecker's research biology class. She thrived in the class, and received several grants and awards for both of the two years she has been in it.

During her junior year, Molly researched the development and refinement of invertebrate systems for use in testing compounds that may cause growth problems. This project was partly funded by the T.A. Kleckner Science Grant from the American Heart Association. She was also an Indiana Academy of Science-Science Talent Search Finalist. The awards Molly received for this research work were the Clarence F. Dineen Award, an award from the U.S. Army, the American Society of Quality Control Award, an award from the National Association of Biology Teachers, and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom Research Award.

Molly changed projects for her senior year. This year, she researched the identification of a mode of action for stress in coronary heart disease. The grant she received was from the Indiana Academy of Science, and she was again a finalist for their Science Talent Search. She received awards from the U.S. Marine Corps., the Army, and the Navy, as well as the Miles Life Sciences Award.

Molly was one of seven state



Molly Duman works diligently on one of her many experiments.

finalists for the Department of Energy. She will go to the Pacific Northwest Laboratory, located on the Olympic Peninsula in north west Washington, which is one of seven Science Institutes. The Pacific Northwest Laboratory program will emphasize intensive field experiences in the shrub-steppe, alpine, freshwater, and marine ecosystem. There will be Nobel Prize winning scientists as well as other renowned figures in science lecturing, and Molly will have the chance to learn and practice hands on field observations combined with advanced satellite technologies in the areas of biology, chemistry, computer

technology, and mathematics. She applied to this particular institute because she was interested in the Olympic peninsula area. She had taken a trip to Mount Rainier in Washington and wanted to see more of the surrounding sights. All of Molly's expenses will be paid for this tremendous learning experience.

After high school, Molly plans to study biology, in particular research. Some possible interests are the study of genetics or marine biology. Wherever she goes, Molly can be sure that she has the support of Adams High School, as well as the entire state of Indiana.

## Active year leads to success for NHS

by See-Ming Phan

Two weeks ago, the National Honor Society wrapped up its busy year with a trip to Chicago. More than sixty of the junior and senior members and nonmembers attended the trip, and it represented the culmination of NHS's active schedule throughout the 1989-1990 school year.

At Chicago, the students visited an exhibit at the Museum of the Historical Society, which showcased various aspects of the Civil War, then had lunch at famous fifties restaurant, Ed Debevic's. Though weather at the Windy City was gloomy and wet at best, most of the students enjoyed the trip.

This year has been one of NHS's most dynamic years, with many members contributing more than thirty hours of volunteer service to various organizations around the community.

The energetic officers of NHS this year were responsible for much of the enthusiasm of the society. Matt Radecki served as President, Suzanne Austgen, Vice-President, Kaye Farmer, Secretary and Doug Booher, Treasurer.

Farmer commented "This year proved to be a success due to cooperation from the whole group, which made the year fun and enjoyable."

Combined, members of NHS contributed over 800 hours of their time to groups and projects around the city. Among the many, were the Dinosaurs Alive exhibit at Studebaker Museum, Zooltide, and holiday caroling at retirement homes, selling Green Noses, as well as participating in the special Carnival for the Arts.

## Choir continues with busy springtime schedule

by Ernie Mudis

The John Adams Choirs have been very busy so far this spring. On Saturday, April 21, the concert choir went to the Concord High School Band/Choir Organizational contest. The contest consisted of two parts: vocal performance and sight reading. Under the direction of Lavon C. Oke, the choir received a division I rating in sight reading.

On Tuesday night, April 24, the mixed choir made up of three separate classes performed in the Adams District Choir Festival at the I.U.S.B. auditorium. The concert included choirs from Edison Middle school and the elementary feeder schools. The elementary schools combined their choirs to sing three songs. Edison's choir performed next, followed by the Adams choir. The show ended with all of the choirs combining to sing "A Song for a Russian Child". Also performing in the fes-



tival was the John Adams swing choir, the Vocal 'N's. The small group of about 18 people performed two numbers at the festival. The group performed at various places around the area at Christmas time and will be

doing the same this spring. They went to a swing choir contest this March at Crown Point High School. Also under the direction of Lavon C. Oke, the swing choir received mixed division I and division II ratings from the

three judges present.

The choir this year is made up largely of seniors and will greatly miss their talent next year. "I'm hoping we get a lot of freshmen in the program next year to make up for some of the

seniors we're losing," said junior member Todd Olson. With a large freshmen class coming in next year, many new choir members are expected to come and join in with the underclassmen who participated this year.

# Education proves to be gender bias

by Ann Naffziger

A recent four year study of sexism in the classrooms, from grade school to graduate school, has pointed out some subtle forms of bias in America's schools. An article in USA Today cited examples from workshops conducted by Myra and David Sadker, professors at American University in Washington, D.C., on types of sexism in the classroom.

It has been found that teachers, unconsciously or not, often tell girls what to do while forcing boys to work out problems they don't understand, discipline girls less severely, and reward girls for non-academic achievements, such as penmanship or getting along with others.

Most of us though, have never consciously noticed a difference in the way the teachers in the South Bend area treat males and females. However, the Sadkers' study seems to suggest that this type of sexism is so subtle that many teachers, let alone their students, don't recognize it. Yet, it has been shown that boys are eight times more likely to call out in class, and five times more likely to receive the most attention from teachers. Also, girls continue to earn better grades on their report cards but lower SAT scores than boys.

Statistics show that until 1972, male and female scores on the SAT were, for all practical purposes, equal. Females

generally scored higher on the verbal section and the boys had higher math scores, but the overall scores were nearly the

clear sight that she has as an 11 year old. Teachers who have followed girls from junior high through high school have found

adept at handling criticism, perhaps because of receiving more negative feedback or correction in the classroom.

they'll say 'that's only partially correct' to a girl."

On the other hand, there are some teachers who feel an obligation to challenge the girls more, perhaps to make up for lost time. Many educators will contend that the students are treated only according to their production in the classroom as opposed to his or her sex. Others say that SAT scores are affected by so many variables that it wouldn't be fair to pinpoint sex discrimination in the classroom as an explanation for differences in the scores. Another general consensus reached by many seems to be that boys follow more rigorous and challenging academic programs than females.

Perhaps these all serve as explanations for the lower SAT scores for females. It is also a good argument for females to attend an all-female college. Some educators contend that in a one sex environment, females receive more valuable attention and build self-esteem as they become more comfortable with themselves.

While still in high school though, girls are being encouraged to run for positions of leadership, such as in student government, and participate in as many extra-curricular activities as possible. Perhaps the most valuable suggestion is to enroll in the highest level classes possible, and, most of all, don't be afraid to speak up in class.



same. However, since the mid-seventies, female scores have steadily decreased. In 1985 the average SAT score for a female was 877 while the males averaged 936. A startling statistic shows that of the 21 million dollars of scholarships going to National Merit Scholars, two-thirds of the money is going to males.

Some of the problem seems centered around the fact that critical changes occur during adolescence causing the female child to lose the confidence and

that they hesitate much more, and are reluctant to speak up in high school, after consistently being eager volunteers as seventh or eighth graders. "When you're actively involved, your achievement is likely to go up," Myra Sadker says "and so is your self-esteem." So, although girls are encouraged to speak up, a dilemma is presented. If the girls are told that they are wrong, some are not as likely to speak up again. However, it is often acknowledged that in the business world, boys are more

How do students feel about the subject? Junior Greg Sager says "I don't agree that teachers call on guys more than girls, but I do think that boys do tend to call out in class more often. It also seems that the boys are disciplined more harshly." Meredith Knepp also believes that teachers are as fair as possible at calling on the same percentage of girls and boys. However, she says, "Teachers do sometimes tend to be more lenient for girls. Whereas they'll say 'you're wrong' to a guy,

## Duke's a Hazard

by Greg Sager

David Duke, a former Grand Dragon of the Ku Klux Klan, has been nominated for Senator in the state of Louisiana. This statement alone should leave you confused, bewildered, or maybe even a little nauseous. How could anyone allow a known racist to even be considered for this honored governmental post. A person who has proclaimed his hatred toward blacks, Jews, and other minorities has no place in American government.

In Nazi-Germany six million Jews were executed by the racist leader, Adolf Hitler. He believed that the Jews were the cause of bad things that happened to the Germans because the Jews owned many of the businesses. When Duke is voting on laws in the Senate wouldn't he be prone to vote for laws damaging to Jews or Blacks? You may say, "Yes but that's only one vote." It could be that one vote that gets the bill passed, or the vote that influenced others to vote the same way. It's hard to make a comparison between Hitler and Duke, but the only fact needed to prove that Duke does not

belong in the Senate is his racist background. No person with his racist beliefs belongs in a position of power. That has already been proven by the Holocaust.

Duke has broken all former ties with the Klan, but that shouldn't matter at all. He can still practice their beliefs without belonging to their cult. How will Duke explain to a black or Jewish man that he used to burn crosses on his front lawn but now he will be passing laws that will affect his life and the lives of his children? The simple fact is that the people of Louisiana cannot be fooled by his superficial kindness, but must see the evil that lurks inside of him. The man is poisonous and shouldn't be put into a position where he could do damage.

People everywhere should express their disapproval in allowing Duke to become a Senator since his decisions will affect everyone in the United States, not just the people in Louisiana. Don't give the young people of America the idea that being a racist is acceptable, because it's not. David Duke does not belong in the Senate. It is a simple statement but one which must be repeated often.

## Student participation needed to make Earth Day a success

by Ike Trinh

On April 22, 1990, many people celebrated the 20th anniversary of Earth Day. The public was exposed to the problems that are prevalent in our environment today. A couple of years back, very little was known about Earth Day because many people didn't care. Now, since the environmental problems are more extreme, more people are starting to take notice of the dangers.

Through events like Earth Day, more people can be reached about the environmental problems that we face. The public is starting to worry about our valuable natural resources, the ozone layer, and the over running of landfills. We hear of other dangers that are real and serious to us but there are people who aren't willing to take steps to help improve the conditions.

Lakes and rivers are being contaminated everyday. Rain forests the size of football fields are being destroyed by the minute. And landfills are a major problem in many U.S. cities.

The solutions to the problems start with the public. In South

Bend, there is little done to help preserve the environment. Other cities have started recycling programs which have proven to be very successful. South Bend does not have an extensive recycling program yet.

High school students can also help in improving our environment by starting to recycle. School administrators could help by making area high school recycling centers, where people can bring in recyclable materials.

I believe very little is being done. Even with events like Earth Day, many people are hesitant to take the first step to help improve the environment. Maybe many people are reluctant to take actions because they don't realize what a bad state the environment is in. They

refuse to take actions until they are confronted with the problems. They might begin to take actions when they start to realize that the water is undrinkable or that they can't go outside any more because of the exposure to deadly ultraviolet rays. The public needs to get involved by knowing more about the environmental problems. The first step they can take is to participate in events like Earth Day to see what they can do to help.

There are some who would be willing to make a difference, but it takes more than those few to change the world. We need to preserve our environment and it should not be a yearly event that occurs on Earth Day, but a daily occurrence. The problems that we all face are very real and serious.

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# Special Education aids those in need

by Allison Goldberg

There are numerous departments at John Adams that benefit different needs of students. However, since not everyone has the same abilities, strengths, and/or weaknesses. Advanced courses are offered for those who might not be challenged in regular classes, and there is the Special Education Department to aid those who need special help in school. The Special Education Department at John Adams has many different programs that serve a wide range of students with a wide range of needs.

One of these programs is called Life Skills, a program that is divided into two classes. The first class is taught by Mr. Bill Court and teaching assistant, Ms. Cathy McDaniel. There are nine students in this class, ranging from ages fifteen to seventeen. The students are taught basic math, reading, and writing through classroom, individual, and computer teaching in addition to life skills, such as how to use public transportation, computers, and ways to be a more independent individual.

One freshman, Kent Alderton, said about school: "I like



These students receive special attention from their teacher, Mrs. Torok, needed in order for them to benefit from a high school education in the same manner as those who are perhaps more academically gifted.

to write in cursive, and play games like Trivial Pursuit, and especially I like the computer games."

The second class is the same as the one taught by Mr. Court, but they differ in their respective curriculums. This class learns more life skills, while the other class learns more reading, writing,

and arithmetic in addition to the life skills.

Jeffrey Allen, a fifteen-year-old in this second class, said, "I like to be here, and I like the computer games," when asked what he liked about school.

The kids in this program also participate in vocational job training. Each person works at at

certain place for two or three hours in the afternoon, doing things like school cafeteria help, office cleaning crews, or work at Logan Center. They get paid just like any other employee, and the students learn how to pay for whatever they want to buy and however much they want to save.

These special students have many talents, especially athletic abilities. A lot of the kids in these classes participate in the local Special Olympics each summer. Kent Alderton says he looks forward to summer so that he can play basketball and run track with his friends in the Special Olympics.

There is another class associated with the Special Education Department at Adams, called Pre-Vocational Education. This group has regular classes, such as math, English, history, science, and more, in the morning, and in the afternoon, the students go to work for three to four hours. Some of the pupils work as assistants to janitors or as fix-it men or women, or at grocery stores, or in school cafeterias.

The teachers of these classes want the student body to be able to look past their students' handicaps and see the real person inside.

Mrs. Torok, PVE coordinator, commented, "I want people to realize that these are special students that can do almost anything if given the chance. don't judge them without knowing them. They really are good students."

# Pets are people too

by Colleen Moore

From catnip toys to nine lives, from frisbees to kibbles and bits and bits and bits, pets play a big role in our lives. They can be our best friends. Often times pets are the only ones that seem to understand us. Many John Adams High School students share stories and express feelings of love for their pets.

A recent poll 114 Adams students shows approximately 86% of those that participated own a pet, and of those 69% own either a cat or a dog. One interesting statistic from the poll was that 4% of the participating students madned their sisters the "family pet."

Dogs and cats still seem to rank as the most popular pets. Many say that dogs are easy to relate to, while others claim that a cat is a more ideal pet compared to the dog.

"Cats are easier to take care of since they don't require baths or daily walks," said one student.

Although this was a wide spread opinion, the results of the poll showed that more students own a dog rather than a cat. Owning both a dog and a cat was also popular with a fair amount of the voters.

There seems to be a large variety of animals owned and cared for, such as birds, snakes, rabbits, squirrels, rats, hamsters, chickens, horses, ducks, goats, ground hogs, and guinea pigs.

"My pets are important parts of my life and family," says fresh-

man Jessica Opsahl. "My cat is always waiting for me at the front door after school as if to greet me and ask me how my day went. Whenever I am upset they try to comfort me. They really seem to understand and care."

Just as little girls are attached to their favorite doll, pets can become attached to one (or more) members of the family. The dogs of the MacGregor family, "Biggs" and "Kibbles," have become attached to the mother of the family, Gwen, and have in a way adopted her as their own mother.

"They cry whenever she leaves their side, much like babies do with their own mothers. When she returns to them they 'celebrate' by jumping, running, and barking loudly," said Lissa, a student at Adams.

It also is a moment of excitement when our cats have babies.

"It was a great experience when my cat had kittens!" said Carrie Dennis. "It's hard to believe that they (the kittens) can go from being so innocent and dependent on their mothers to becoming playful and energetic, and extremely independent, somewhat outgoing."

Being discussed by many concerned members of the community is the topic of animal cruelty. It is not only a subject discussed by local citizens but also throughout the entire country. Animal cruelty has been recognized by three general pub-

lic through newspaper and magazine articles, and nationwide television commercials. Something must be done to prevent this from occurring and articles and ads serve as a start for the cure to this problem. An animal with food and shelter being beaten or emotionally neglected may be even worse than an animal with no home at all.

"Not only is animal cruelty a big issue for animal lovers, but the pet population is also a problem area that has been discussed. Unlike the animal cruelty, the pet population problem has been slightly resolved. The solution: 'Pets for People.' Many animals die due to lack of homes, and many elderly members of the community are lonely. So by giving homeless pets to lonely elders, the 'Pets for People' program has found a cure for loneliness and is helping pets that need good homes," said Dr. Jack Opsahl, a local veterinarian.

So, through the fun times and sad times, pets are always there to support and help in any way they can. Well, as Bob Barker might say, "Please help control the pet population. Get your cats and dogs spayed or neutered."

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## The Rerun of *Oklahoma!*



Chris Ray and Dawn Doverspike dream about his "Surrey With A Fringe On Top."



Pilar Anadon and Doug Booher discuss lingere prices as Dawn Doverspike helps Sarah Priest with her purchase.

### Final thoughts of *Oklahoma!*

by Mark Bartholomew

The John Adams Drama department ended its season this year with a return to tradition. The old-favorite *Oklahoma*, probably the musical most often acted in high school, was brought to life with great success.

The plot is your basic love story/western. Boy and girl love each other but it takes some time for them to realize this. The set design also helped create a genuine image of the Oklahoma Territory.

The stars of the musical were Dawn Doverspike and Chris Ray. Both performances were excellent. As they acted out their roles and sang the favorite, "Oh, What a Beautiful Morning", everyone in the audience was touched by this singing cowboy and his high-spirited gal.

The real surprise of the evening was J.D. Cheney in his role as the villainous Judd. With a commanding physical presence on stage, J.D. brought life to a

role that's usually been rather bland before. The dream sequence was especially good with Judd's ballerina-like moves gracing the stage.

Although there were too many good performances in the play to mention, another great performance was turned in by Doug Booher as the lovable con-man and snake-oil salesman. His cheesy grins and side-glances to the audience made for some of the musical's funniest moments.

Overall, the drama season this year has been very successful. Along with *Oklahoma*, the J.A. thespians performed "You Can't Take It With You" and the one-act plays. "I thought that the entire season was a success," says drama club member Tom Wolter. "I'm glad that we had such a good season for Mr. Good's last year as head of the drama department. The senior leadership of members Doug Booher and Matt Radecki really made this year special."



Above: Sarah Priest and Sam Bella 'discuss' marital problems as Matt Radecki, Chris Ray, Kurt Leege and the cast look on at Curley's trial. Below: The Orchestra plays and the entire cast sings the title song from the musical, *Oklahoma!*

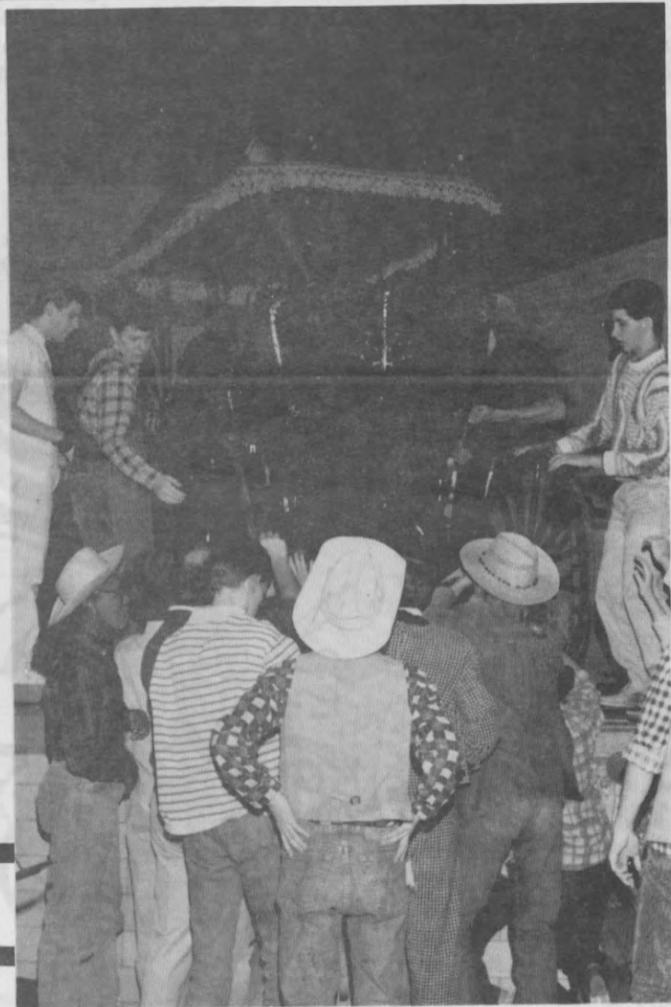




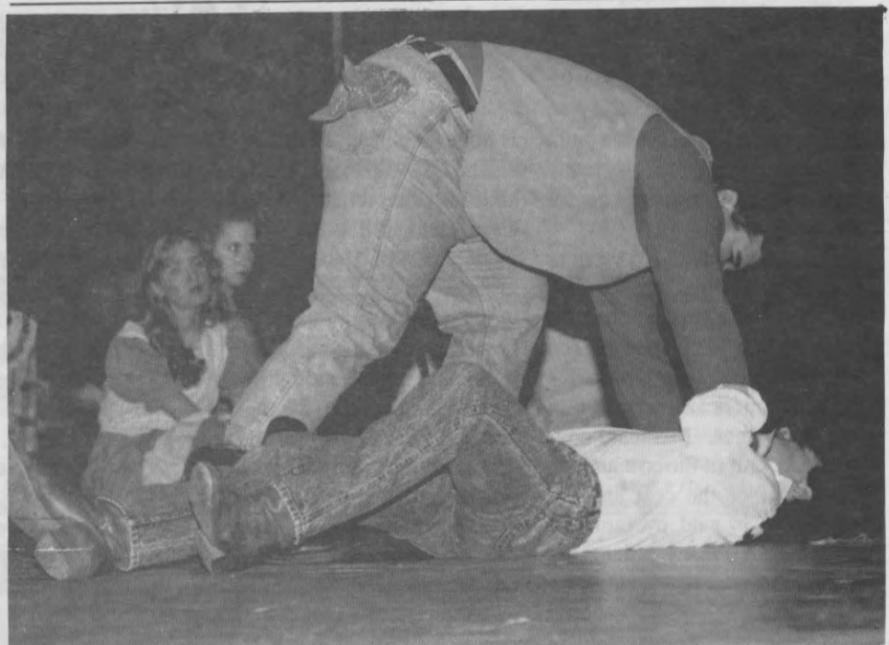
Left: Sarah Priest churns out another wonderful performance. Above: Susan Smith (center) catches a quick glimpse of J.D. Cheney changing off stage.



Above: Anne Watts leads the orchestra in a rousing chorus of Oklahoma! Below: Laurey ( Dawn doverspike tries to "Make Up Her Mind In Her Dreams."



Above: The cast and crew manuevr the surrey on to the stage for the next scene. Below: Poor Judd is dead? No, Judd (J.D. Cheney) is killing Curley in Laurey dream.



# Health a key for the 90's

by Ike Trinh

Americans are being urged to gain more control over what they eat by learning more about healthy food. Nowadays, people are very particular about their health and well-being. The American Heart Association and the American Medical Association are among the many groups leading the campaign to a healthier lifestyle.

Many Americans are beginning to exercise more and eating much less. Especially in food that are high in fat, cholesterol, and sodium. Many health foundations are putting strong emphasis on the amount of sodium, cholesterol, and fat intake. Sodium is known for the increase in blood pressure. Low fat and cholesterol intake has been known to help fight heart and vascular diseases. The growing awareness of nutritional value in daily diets is changing commercialism drastically. Tele-

vision, radio, and newspaper advertisements have joined the bandwagon to a healthier lifestyle. They greatly put emphasis on their products as being healthy. It is hard to find, nowadays, of an advertisement dealing with food products that does not contain label saying "cholesterol free," or some sort of nutritional value. People seem to dissuade from products which does not contain such a label. Cereals are the most notorious with their emphasis on oat bran and fiber products. It has been reported on 20/20 that in 1989 people have bought more cereals containing fiber and oat bran than the previous five years combined.

Keeping in shape has also joined the part of American lifestyle. Many more Americans are constantly trying to lose weight. Aerobics and diet centers are thrilled at the growing popularity. They have pledged their



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promise to help people lose the weight. Their famous slogan: "lose weight the quick and easy way without getting hungry."

Everything is moving toward

an era of fitness and nutrition. More joggers can be seen in the streets, more people are buying healthier food, and aerobic and health spas are becoming more

populated. These are the signs of the growing awareness people have about living a healthier lifestyle. Maybe the 90's would be known as the healthy decade.

## "Sandwich generation" faces difficult decisions

by Paula Winicur

Teenagers sometimes seem to get caught up in the present and forget to think about the future. But the future is not a topic to be taken lightly. As the future of America, the teenagers of today are going to have to take on the job of caring for our parents as well as our children and care for the elderly is getting increasingly difficult.

According to Newsweek magazine, more than six million elderly Americans now need help in such basic tasks as getting out of bed, eating, dressing, bathing, and using the bathroom. Since the nation's life expectancy is increasing, so will the number of elderly people who need help.

The question has been raised over the government stepping in to help with the costs. Lobbying has taken place by many special interest groups and over one hundred bills have been posed to Congress in favor of it. The problem is how much it would cost the public in taxes, to pay for the care of these people and who would be qualified for the help. If the care was available, many people might turn up looking for the help.

The real demand for services cannot be exactly determined. The cost for a nursing home bed costs about \$30,000 and can run up to \$80,000 and about 1.7 million Americans now live in nursing homes. Medicaid covers about half of the cost and the other half of the cost and the other half is paid by families. The reason so many patients are in nursing homes is because care



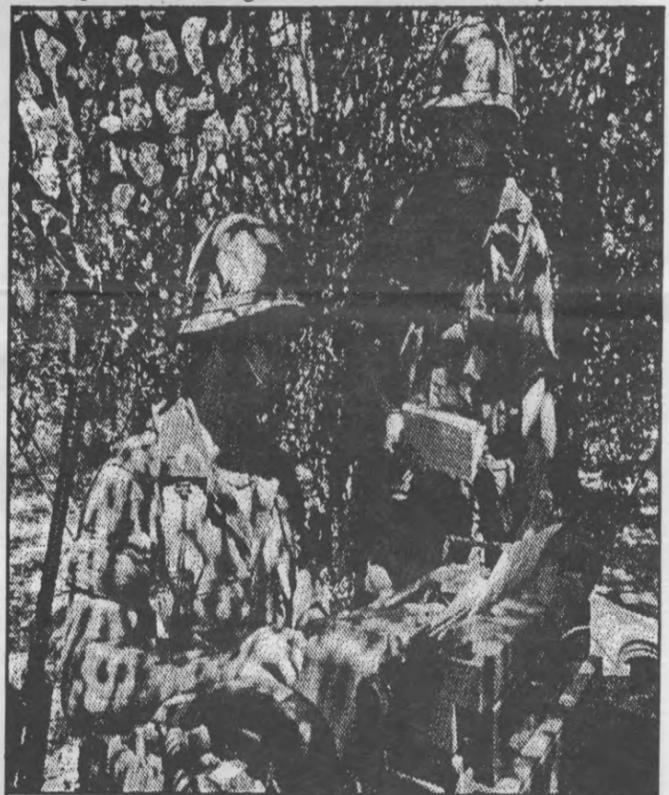
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is not available elsewhere.

The U.S. Bipartisan Commission on Comprehensive Health Care, also called the Pepper panel, proposed a co-payment system. In it most recipients would pay twenty percent of home care costs themselves. The problem is finding enough health attendants because the nation already faces a shortage of nurses. The panel also raised the question-should help be available to everyone who needs it regardless of financial need? Many critics have said that government

help should be for those who can't afford to pay for it themselves.

Any government plan to help in cost publicly or privately is guaranteed to raise taxes. Today's teenagers are going to be the ones paying these taxes and finding places to care for their parents while dealing with jobs and children. The problem is not going to go away; in fact it is growing rapidly. The respect we pay to today's elderly will set the pattern for how we are treated when we get older.



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# Soccer looks to be contender for N.I.S.L. title

by Meredith Knepp  
and Rachel Friend

Adams, a perennial force in this area's soccer league, has once again established itself as one of the more dominating teams this season. After convincing victories over both Washington and LaSalle in the jamboree, the Eagles defeated their first six opponents to start the season off with a 7-0 record overall and 5-0 in the N.I.S.L.

In the season opener against Munster, David Klotz

*"Everyone is playing with patience and composure; our lack of experience is being compensated for by hard work and determination."*

—Marc Wilson

scored all three goals, leading the team to a 3-1 victory, while James Quinn and J.T. Cerroni each had an assist.

Against Clay, the Eagles clearly dominated and crushed the Colonials 5-0. Tri Do led the offense with two goals, and Jeff

Case, David Klotz, and Jon Walley each added one. The game also gave goalie Matt Jones his first shutout after rejecting eight shots and making three saves.

Adams handily defeated Penn 6-1 in its third game of the season. Klotz scored three goals while Doug Horvath, Tri Do, and James Quinn each added one. Jeff Bateman, a sophomore half-back, had two assists for the evening.

The Eagles fourth game took them to Elkhart Memorial, where they won 6-2. Klotz knocked in the first goal, and James Quinn, J. T. Cerroni, and Tri Do each scored one. Tuan Nyguen put in two goals for the Eagles, leading them to a 4-0 record.

In the biggest game of the season to date, the Eagles upset favored Riley with a strong second half comeback. Klotz once again led the way with a single goal in the first half and two more when the game was on the line. Jeff Case put the game away with a penalty kick in the final minute. The 4-2 victory proved that the Eagles were going to be a force in the race for the N.I.S.L. title.

Fort Wayne Homestead was the next victim. Coming off the emotional win over Riley,

there was some concern that the team would not be mentally ready. Those concerns were quickly diminished as Jeff Bateman put the Eagles on the board in the first half. Matt Jones recorded his third shutout of the season, while Klotz added an insurance goal in the second half.

Against Concord, the team was looking for revenge after last year's upset loss. Klotz quickly put the Eagles ahead in the first half and Tri Do continued his productive play with a second half tally. Matt Jones recorded his fourth shutout of the year, as they ran their record to 7-0.

The team has gotten off to a good start this year. The majority of the team has shown that a good passing game is what they're looking for. At the half back position, freshman J. T. Cerroni has demonstrated this ability to get out of trouble and move the ball up the field, and Klotz has answered by scoring sixteen goals in seven games.

The defense has been doing its part this

year, only allowing six goals to be scored. With Matt Jones in goal and Kevin Warner at sweeper, the defense has proved to be a strong presence on the field. Jon Walley has added another dimension with his diving headers and aggressive play, and Jeff Case with his penetrating runs.

Senior stopper Marc Wilson sums up his philosophy on the team's success when say-

ing, "It has a lot to do with the great communication. Plus, everyone is playing with patience and composure; our lack of experience is being compensated for by hard work and determination."

If the Eagles' performance on the playing field keeps up with their good attitudes off the field they may well be a prime contender for the 1990 N.I.S.L. title.

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## Adams trio calls it quits after three years of competition

by Ann Naffziger

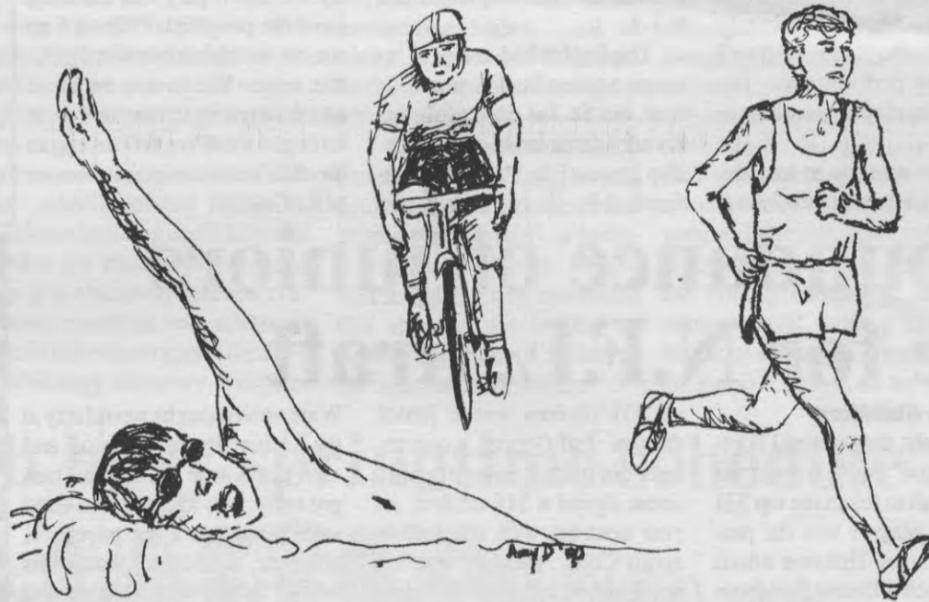
A triathlon made up of three John Adams athletes is disbanding after three seasons of competition together. Senior Andy Lammers and juniors Brian Collier and Brian Payne have decided to try individual competition after participating in various national team races together during the past few years. "The three of us have seen the best times of our lives together, and the worst, too," says Collier. "Going solo this year is going to be scary, but as long as we've got each other we'll be fine."

The races that they have formerly competed in have differed from the usual triathlon because one member swims, another bicycles, and the third runs, rather than one individual doing all three events himself. The team, known as "The Young Ones," for often being the young-

impressive second) Indianapolis, New Orleans, and the National Championships in Las Vegas, Nevada which are "sure things on our list." The team has recently received an invitation to participate as a regional representative in the National High School Triathlon Championship in Maui, Hawaii.

The Young Ones first got a taste of national competition in November, 1988 when they were the youngest team to qualify for the Bud Light National Triathlon in Hilton Head, South Carolina.

Lammers is the team's designated swimmer, Payne, the biker, and Collier the distance runner. Lammers and Collier both turned in their best times in Hilton Head where Lammers swam the 1500 meters in 15:03, and Collier ran the 10K in 36:48. Payne's best time of 59:58 in the



best in each age group, and since the team takes individuals only, they are hoping to gain experience this summer.

Brian Payne says that "It's sad to see such a good thing end (the team competition), but I'm sure that we will be just as successful as individuals. Still, being

a team is something that I'm going to miss."

States Lammers, "We haven't only been teammates, but we've been great friends."

The triathlon is scheduled to be a full status event in the 1996 Olympics and Collier claims, as the other two echo,

"We'd like to be there; watch for us."

The trio is still looking for sponsors to ease the financial burden and would accept and appreciate any possible aid. If you are interested in sponsoring "The Young Ones," please contact Brian Payne at 232-4047.

*"The three of us have seen the best times of our lives together, and the worst, too."*

—Brian Collier

est competitors in their field, is planning on doing four more races as a team before attempting several more as individuals this coming season.

The team's season opener is in Memphis, Tennessee on May 19. Lammers, Payne, and Collier also plan on traveling to Chicago, Columbus, Ohio, (where last year the team finished an

40K bicycle segment came in Chicago.

After all this success why would the team want to break up? For several reasons, answers the team. First and foremost, each athlete wants the challenge of finishing all three segments of the race on his own. All three also hope to make Team USA which is a national team of the

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## Balanced attack to be Eagles threat

by Brian Blandford

Last year, the John Adams baseball team was expected to challenge for the N.I.C. title that they won the year before, but ended up the season at 17-11 and 9-4 in N.I.C. play (second place). The squad was loaded with talent from top to bottom. Senior Pete Tulchinsky was named 1st. team all N.I.C. player for his impressive play at second base and Gary Watkins continued to dazzle crowds with his power hitting.

The 1990 season is a season of optimism, to say the least, for coach Len Buczkowski's Eagles. The Eagles lost Pete Tulchinsky, Gary Watkins, Kevin Brisson, Doug Naylor, Troy Wharton, Joe Jones, and Shane Bennett to graduation. The team, however, returns many players with plenty of varsity experience along with an abundance of underclassmen that were on the 22-3 J.V. team that won the Clay Invitational J.V. title last year.

The Eagles opened the season on the right foot by beating Marian, 6-2. Sophomore Todd Gorski pitched a no hitter and struck out six batters to help the Eagle defense. Tim Guyer had a triple and Mike Golden, Matt Buczkowski, and Mike Lackman each had one double and two single.

Adams then traveled to Buchanan. The Eagles used a balanced attack that Buchanan couldn't handle to win, 7-0. Tim Guyer was impressive on the offensive charge with 3 hits and 3 R.B.I.'s. Shawn Klodzinski and Jerry Szabo combined for a 2 hit pitching performance. The Eagles also played errorless in the field.

Adams went on to lose the next two games to South Central



Pitcher Jerry Szabo prepares to throw another fastball home.

and St. Joe, respectively. South Central shut out Adams, 6-0 as Andrew Rassi and Jerry Szabo were the losing pitchers for Adams. Arch-rival St. Joe then beat Adams, 5-3 on the Eagles home field. St. Joe Built a 5-0 lead on the Eagles when Adams made a late surge in the game, but fell short. Rob Eggers, Jeff Marshall, and Mike Kryder each had 2 hits for Adams. Shawn Klodzinski's pitching record fell to 1-1.

The Eagles had a shot at revenge against St. Joe two days later, but St. Joe once again defeated Adams in the championship game of the Adams Invitational, 4-3. St. Joe beat Wash-

ington in the morning while Adams got past Concord, 1-0 on a 1 hitter by Todd Gorski, who also struck out nine batters. Tim Guyer had 2 hits and scored the Eagle's only run on a balk. In the championship game against St. Joe, Adams made another valiant comeback but couldn't hold on.

Whether or not the Eagles will contend for the conference title cannot yet be determined by their up and down play, but certainly have the potential. "There's no reason we shouldn't win N.I.C. this year. We have a balanced attack of good pitching and great hitting. I think we'll be on top in the end.", commented sophomore Mike Golden.

## Abundance of juniors vie for N.F.L. draft

by Brian Blandford

Recently, the National Football League (N.F.L.) held its annual draft to select the top 331 collegiate players into the professional ranks. This year's draft wasn't much different than those in previous years. A lot of blue-chipper athletes signed big-money contracts and made a lot of owners, coaches, and fans happy. There was one exception, however, to this year's draft

all 331 choices was a junior, though. Jeff George, a quarterback out of the University of Illinois signed a \$15 million, six year contract with the Indianapolis Colts. George, who has never played a professional game and has been to three universities in as many years, is now making more money than most top-notch quarterbacks in the N.F.L. who have already proven themselves, such as Joe Montana, Boomer

Ware vowed that he would stay at the University of Houston and earn his degree rather than turn pro early. An agent with a good sales pitch and a big paycheck, however, seemed to change his mind. Along with George and Ware, Emmitt Smith, a running back out of the University of Florida was also selected in the first round as the 17th pick overall.

These juniors that enter the draft mainly do it for the money. I feel, however, that these players should not be allowed to do so. It seems that a player just uses college as a pre-professional league until he gets an invitation to play for money in the N.F.L. and then abandons his place of higher education.

I feel that both the N.F.L. and N.C.A.A. (National Collegiate Athletic Association) should enforce rules that disallows underclassmen to disregard their final year(s) of collegiate eligibility. By doing this, it would make the athlete regard college as a place to learn, rather than a minor league to the big league.

Esiason, Jim McMahon, etc. As a matter of fact, only three N.F.L. quarterbacks earn more than will.

Another junior who was selected in the first round was Andre Ware, a quarterback out of the University of Houston and winner of the Heisman Trophy Award (The most coveted award given to the most outstanding collegiate football player). After winning the Heisman Trophy,

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that made it different than any other in years past. An abundance of players gave up their last collegiate year of eligibility to make the big bucks in the N.F.L.

There have been juniors in the past who made themselves eligible for the draft, but this year over 30 made that decision and only a few were highly regarded. The number one draft pick out of

## Are sports in high school biased?

by Ann Naffziger

When there is any power struggle between girls and boys sports in the high school setting, it seems that the girls' team inevitably comes up with the short end of the stick. Whether it is a conflict over media coverage, court time, or use of equipment, the guys' team always seems to receive the advantage.

Many people show little or no interest in women's sports because the level of play is often inferior to men's. Most of this is simply a result of physiological differences. However, women didn't start participating in most types of athletic recreation until much later than men. Another factor often overlooked, though, is the unavailability of equipment and supplies, or the lack of organized teams for the girls at a young age. Often schools don't offer team sports for girls until the fifth or sixth grade when the boys have been playing on intramural teams since second or third grade.

As an example of the discrepancy in media coverage, one has to look only to the sports page of any newspaper. For most of the big games, (especially weekend contests) an entire article is dedicated to all of the South Bend boys teams. Yet, the girls coverage usually consists of a listing of possibly two high scorers, a turning point in the game, and the box score.

I vividly remember coming home from a state tournament in which my All-Star team placed second, only to discover that we received exactly six sentences of coverage. At the same time, the boys team which wasn't

as successful, got daily coverage, feature articles, and photographs were printed. "A lot of people try to justify preference for the guys' teams by saying that they advance farther in the state tournaments, however, the girls' teams seem to win just as often," says runner Scott Conroy.

When it comes time to vie for court time or the use of a playing field, the girls team often is left out in the cold. Adams has two gyms, but when one cannot be used for some reason, the girls have had to wait to practice until the boys were finished in the available gym. Another example is that during the South Bend Holiday Basketball Tournament, most of the girls games are played at a local high school, while all of the boys games are played at Notre Dame's JACC.

The softball team is not allowed on the boys baseball field and, therefore, must walk to another field several blocks away for practice each day. The general consent seems to be that the girls might tear up the field if it was used daily. How could we ruin a field simply by practicing on it? We offer to contribute to the upkeep of the park. There is no reason that a field, equipment or other factors should be unequally shared. "Lack of participation of women in sports leads to a lack of compassion for the needs by others," is the sentiment of boys' basketball player Andy Williams.

These are just some of the injustices in girls' sports. Sure, we hear that the boys sports are the revenue makers, but we just want an equal opportunity to compete.

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