

## New class officers elected

In a strong show of voter support, nine out of twelve class officers were returned to office for the 1980-81 school year.

All four of this year's Junior officers will return intact for next year. These four are: President P.J. Gault, Vice-President Jim Krillenberger, Treasurer Mark Scheiber, and Secretary Mary Dworecki.

The Sophomore class was evidently pleased with the work done by their officers, as all four were re-elected. Brian Lennon will again serve as President with Kevin Sweeney as Veep, Treasurer Todd Parker, and Secretary Dawn Hudson.

Changes were seen in the officers for the Sophomores-to-be.

Andy Heckaman repeats as President but Diane Farmer and Diane Mennucci will replace Alan Engel and Kevin Baer for Vice-President and Treasurer, respectively. Jane Wygant was re-elected to her Secretary post.

In spite of the success enjoyed by the incumbents, many strong challenges were seen. Congratulations are certainly in order for all students who ran for these offices. Hopefully they will take seriously their responsibilities as Cabinet members as they work with the officers toward accomplishing all the goals set forth. The TOWER would like to wish the best of luck to the officers and cabinet as they begin to formulate these goals and commence upon their duties.



The newly elected class officers are: from left to right, front row - Andy Heckaman, Diane Farmer. 2nd row - Brian Lennon, Kevin Sweeney, Dawn Hudson, Todd Parker. 3rd row - Jim Krillenberger, P.J. Gault, and Mark Scheiber. Not pictured are Jane Wygant, and Diane Mennucci.

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## Mr. Stillman to leave Adams



The placemat from the dinner dedicated to Clarence Stillman is pictured here.

Up until the fall of my Junior year I had no idea that the hallway which deadends east of Mrs. Smith's classroom, through which students passed wielding large flat portfolios, T-shaped rulers, triangles of various sizes and fist-fulls of pencils, held any course which was a potential choice for my study. However, I did select a class, Drafting, knowing totally zero about what it would entail and was pleasantly surprised.

Being a veteran of Adams High School, I was slightly embarrassed when I had no idea whatsoever where room 233 was located. But, feeling very Freshmen-like while walking the halls with my head turned toward door numbers, I found my class, entered a room replete with gigantic desks with tilted tops, and picked a seat. Shortly, Mr. Stillman, Adams lone drafting instructor, entered and I proceeded to learn the fundamentals of being a draftsman.

After 27 years of teaching here at Adams, Mr. Stillman is retiring. He has been dealing with students similar to me, with little knowledge

about drafting, and has turned them all into skilled mechanical artists, while others, through this base continue on in their education and become engineers and of course, architects.

Having been interested in this field throughout his lifetime, Mr. Stillman does hold other teaching talents. Here at Adams in addition to the course he instructs now, he was formerly a wood shop, crafts, and machine shop educator. Also, before coming to Adams he taught Social Studies and Math.

He expressed his affection for Adams and its students through his comments concerning the school. He said that Adams is an "exceptionally good school," which is due to the fact, he explained, that it has so much to offer. He added that he believed the students here were "great," and although his contact with them is somewhat limited, the ones he did encounter he gave of his knowledge, and it is precisely for this reason that he will be so acutely missed.

astronomy course at Adams.

Some of the more probable plans of the Astronomy Club for next year include building a reflector telescope, grinding the lens for it, and, hopefully, field trips to some of the major planetariums and observatories in the area. Definite plans for September include election of officers and cleaning/decorating the Tower room which will become the club's headquarters. Mr. Moriarity would like to establish a small observatory in that room, which he thinks would benefit the Science Department at

## Astronomy club starts successfully

The John Adams Astronomy Club blasted off to a roaring start on Monday, May 5. Eleven people met in the Earth-Science Room and discussed the goals of the members, tentative plans for next year, and more immediate ideas for the end of this year and the summer.

Mr. Moriarity, sponsor of the club, said of it, "This is an opportunity for those who are interested in this field (astronomy) to gain some knowledge or add to that which they already have." In the future, he hopes to teach an

## Stricter admissions instituted at IU

Dear Colleague:

This year, Indiana University at Bloomington denied freshman admission to approximately twice as many students as a year ago. The University reorganized its Admissions Office last fall and as the new Director, I joined my incumbent colleagues in feeling strongly that these decisions were appropriate for the following reasons:

1. In many cases, the student had not completed the bare minimum college preparatory work required for admission.
2. In most other cases, the individual's record in high school was extremely poor with no sign of improvement in recent semesters.
3. Our experience indicates that such students are very poor college risks with little prospect for success.
4. In our ethical and professional judgment, it was in the best interest of the student not to offer admission to Indiana University if the student seemed destined for frustration and failure.

The most common problem among those denied admission was that of inadequate preparation. The students had not taken the required thirteen units (one-year courses) in college preparatory courses such as science (earth science, biology,

chemistry, physics), foreign languages, mathematics (algebra, geometry, advanced algebra, trig, English (especially grammar and composition), and the social sciences. From experience, we know that a well-rounded background is necessary if one is to work comfortably in our academic curriculums. While I.U.-Bloomington does offer some basic skills courses in mathematics and composition, our faculty is not prepared to replicate a high school college preparatory education. Therefore, we felt that it was unfair to admit a student who had significant deficiencies in his/her high school background.

Each student who was denied admission was evaluated by an Admissions Committee and received a final personal review from me. We were always happy to talk with counselors, students, and parents to correct mistakes if they had been made, and to give students a final chance to prove themselves before September, if such an option was appropriate. However, our ultimate concern remained: does the student have the preparation, motivation, and academic maturity to comfortably handle I.U.'s academic demands? In every case, we tried to decide in

the best interest of the student.

Our actions have raised some questions, of course. Many have asked if we are raising our admissions standards. The answer to that question is "no;" we are simply adhering to our basic admissions standards which were adopted by the Trustees in 1960 and which are enclosed for your reference. More importantly, however, this action is prompted out of concern for your students. We also feel that it might be helpful to you. In talking with guidance counselors at our Symposia around the state this spring, many felt that this move could be indeed helpful to the well-being of secondary school education in Indiana. By insisting upon an adequate preparation for admission, I.U. will assist you in convincing high school students to take the strong college preparatory course which too many try to avoid.

I hope that you will share this letter with your department heads and guidance staff. I would be delighted to discuss these matters at any time and urge you or your colleagues to contact our office if we can answer questions or be of other assistance.

Robert S. Magee  
Director

## Randazzo, Traub attend international science fair

Two John Adams seniors, Ken Traub and Phil Randazzo, competed in the March 1 Regional Indiana Science and Engineering Fair. Ken and Phil were the two finalists out of the 273 competitors qualifying them to attend the 5-day International Science and Engineering Fair from May 5 through 10 in St. Paul, Minnesota.

In the regional fair, Ken won honors awarded by the U.S. NAVY, NASA, the U.S. Air Force, and the Junior Engineering Society. His

project, associated with computer science is entitled Distributed Loop Communication Network Using a Single Chip Microprocessor. At the international fair Ken received an award from NASA and a fourth place award from General Motors.

Phil won honors awarded by the U.S. Navy and the American Pharmaceutical Association at the regional fair. At the international fair Phil received a \$1000 scholarship from Indiana Science Education Fund, a first place \$100

award from the American Veterinary Association, and a second place award in Medicine and Health from the International Fair. He was also a finalist in the Indiana Science Talent Search. His presentation consisted of a compilation of the result from a three year study concerning the various effects of cholesterol on mice.

Both students were accompanied by Mr. Longenecker who has played a big part in encouraging them with their projects.

## Prom tickets on sale

Don't blow it!

Today is the last day to buy tickets to the big event. Tomorrow the Junior-Senior Prom will be held at the Great Hall of the Century Center.

Organizing committees have been working for the last five months to make this prom the best one yet.

This year's theme is "Come Sail Away." The colors for the prom will be blue and white, and the featured band will be "Four Hits,

and a Miss."

This all begins at nine o'clock and ends at twelve. Tickets will be four dollars and this includes a ticket to the After-Prom.

The After-Prom will begin at one o'clock and will last till four. It will be held at the club house of Knollwood Country Club, and the featured band will be "RPM."

SO HURRY! Get your tickets now from any junior or senior class officer, and have a good time!!

# Editorial / Student elections need reform

by Mark Weisman

The process by which John Adams class officers are elected is in need of immediate change and improvement.

Why? Because they often are not sufficiently well informed about the candidates, and because the present process is less than democratic.

When queried about which candidate they considered best, nearly all students replied, "I don't know anything about the people who are running." This should not be the situation. As result of being uninformed (which is not the fault of the voters), choices made on election day are made for the wrong reasons. Students often vote for a name that "just looks familiar" or for a candidate that happens to be "popular." Candidates chosen for these

reasons usually turn out to be poor officers. In other words, lemons - these problems can be solved.

Another disturbing fact concerning these elections is that many students don't even vote. In the Junior class, for instance, less than 270 out of more than 400 students voted. This problem can also be solved.

The following steps should be taken to alleviate the above mentioned faults in the system. These steps have the support of the Administration:

1. Hold a primary election. Instead of having one election and declaring the biggest vote getter the winner, we should have a primary election which narrows the field to 2 or 3 candidates.

2. After the primary winners are determined, each remaining candidate would be required to submit a short paragraph on why they are

running to The Tower. These paragraphs would be published immediately before the final election is held.

3. Hold the final election to determine the class officers. This final election, and the primary election, should be held in English classes in order to insure that nearly all voters cast their ballots.

It should be noted that this editorial is not a critique of the recently elected officers. It is only a questioning of the present system. The problems with the present method are readily visible to all. These suggestions are presented in the hope that these problems can be, to some degree, solved.

\* \* \* The Tower would like response to this article. Please submit replies to Mrs. Maza, Mark Miller, Eleanor Pollak, or Mark Weisman.



6th Hour

## Guys and Dolls receives praise

By Sherri McLochlin

Applause, applause . . . the sweet sound of applause.

For performers this music is exceeded only by the ultimate recognition, a standing ovation. Such is what the cast and crew of the annual spring musical received with their presentation of Frank Loesser's production, "Guys and Dolls." The professionally done show drew "capacity" crowds both Friday and Saturday nights, with many patrons returning to enjoy the show a second time. Each and every element of the production gave a superior impression, resulting in, as one Adams student phrased it, ". . . the best high school musical I've ever seen."

From the leading roles to the supporting parts to the backstage crew; every person involved in the musical played an integral part in the superb and colorfully performed production. Electrical and musical effects gave evidence that some of South Bend's finest and

most talented students attend Adams High School.

Dance and song numbers were among the favorites of the audience. The charisma and energy displayed on stage served to draw the audience into "the spell of the stage."

Months of rehearsals and practices came to a climatic head when, Friday night, the cast received an uninhibited standing ovation for its fantastic efforts. Saturday's performance was much the same with only one exception--if it could be said to be possible, the performers put forth enthusiasm unmatched in any of their previous shows.

While a great number of the cast are unfortunately (or should I say, "tragically"?) graduating, this year's musical unearthed a treasure mine of talent and excellence in the underclass.

Therefore, with this in mind, it is safe to say that next year's production is definitely an event to anticipate.



Scott Parent and Kirsten Washburn tango at the Cafe Cubana during a performance of Guys and Dolls.

## Concert review / Cheap Trick performance "cheap deal"

By Rick Conklin

After seeing Cheap Trick perform at the ACC, I had to ask myself the question any concert-goer asks after paying for a seat: Was it worth the money? In my case, that rings up to \$8.50. With everything taken into consideration, here's the tabulation.

First things first. The warm-up band, Off Broadway, was worth about a buck of my ticket price. Though their forty-five minutes on stage were fifteen minutes too many, their hit single "Stay in

Time" made their appearance worthwhile. That left the big boys from Chicago to pick up the rest of the tab. From the start, it was obvious this concert should have been called "The Rick Nielsen Show," as Nielsen shook, jumped, and pranced all over the stage, somehow finding time to play the twenty-six (yes, twenty-six) guitars he uses for each show. In between his onstage seizures, he fed personal guitar picks to a hungry audience and changed his clothes as soon as they were ten minutes old. His antics were worth about

\$1.50. However, the disappointing dismissal of "California Man" shears one dollar off the net worth of the concert, and the ensuing half hour drought of hit songs was worth maybe a dollar at most. The only song in the heap worth mentioning is "Gonna Raise Hell," which was a tad drawn out. Besides Nielsen, the rest of the band kept pretty much to themselves, especially bass guitarist Tom Peterson, who was all but invisible. But finally the fun began with a well-done performance by vocalist

Robin Zander of the mellow "Voices" (\$1.00). The band drove right into the meat of their "Budokan" LP with "I Want You to Want Me" (plus \$.75), "Surrender" (plus \$1.25), and the piece de resistance, "Ain't that a Shame" (plus 2 bucks at least). Drummer Bun E. Carlos was superb, if not taken for granted.

The lone encore, "Dream Police," capped the madness and the evening and was worth a buck of my ticket. Miscellaneous likes include the "Cheap Trick" light

board backstage and the excellent sound from the speakers (plus \$1.00). Miscellaneous dislikes: lack of time onstage, and Nielsen's "bondage room" joke (the pits, minus \$.50).

There now, if all of you will take out your calculators (if you don't have one, I guess I'll have to figure it out for you), you'll find that comes to eight dollars of concert for an \$8.50 ticket.

Oh, well, maybe Journey will pick up the slack.

## Adams seniors win athletic scholarships

This year, in continuing with Adams record of scholastic and academic excellence, a number of Adams students will be attending college next year on scholarships. These students, through their athletic prowess and academic capabilities are among the few chosen to receive scholarship grants from colleges across the nation.

Members of this year's football team account for most of the boy's sports' scholarships. John Bergren has received a full football scholarship to Stanford, where he plans to major in chemical engineering (April 25 TOWER). Kevin Lennon received a grant-in-aid to Harvard University, where he'll be playing football and baseball for the Crimson Tide. John and Kevin are the first Adams

graduates ever to receive athletic scholarships to these illustrious universities. Gary Fields and Anthony Reed will both be attending Iowa Central Community College on full football scholarships. In addition, basketball players Doug Hadaway and Glenn Vories have both received full scholarship offers at Northwestern Missouri State University.

Most of the recipients of the girls sports' scholarships were on Adams 1980 Regional Champion Volleyball team. Kathy Gillis has received a full volleyball scholarship to Ball State, Karen Kurstals earned one from the University of Wyoming, and Jackie Becker was offered one by Miami of Ohio. All were members of the 1979 team. Another team member, Sandy Gyorgi, has received a full

scholarship for both volleyball and tennis from DePauw University. Mary Amico, a top finisher in a national gymnastics meet (April 25 TOWER), has received a full scholarship for gymnastics from the University of Illinois, Champaign Urbana.

This is not, of course, a full listing of all Adams students who have been offered scholarships. Many students are still in the process of deciding which college to attend, and whether or not to accept the grants and their restrictions. In addition, many spring athletes are still being scouted by colleges. And under the Family Rights and Privacy Act, colleges and students aren't required to disclose scholarship information to anyone except the government.

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## 1978-79 yearbook staff wins acclaim

This year's yearbook staff has a lot to live up to because the 1978-79 staff has won a first place rating from the National Scholastic Press Association. The editors Gina Germano, Ron Elum and Lisa Engel received special acclaim for the theme, JA Guide, the cover design, and the opening section. All three were given a superior rating.

The analysis and rating included guidelines as to what should be achieved and what should be avoided. One of the areas that needed improvement was photog-

raphy. This year a photography class was established in order to correct some of the faults. As always, improvements need to be made in layout and copy.

The judging was done by two different people and then a final decision was made. The judges scorebook was not received until the end of April. Mrs. Maza feels that in order to make use of the critical service, the guidebooks should be returned by November.

The 1980 staff is looking forward to another first place book.

## FOOTPRINTS to go on sale

Creativity often seems confined to English and art courses. Private feelings remain dormant, and everyone sees only facades. But due to the dedication of Mrs. Ann Germano and her small band of editors, FOOTPRINTS, a literary magazine, gives creativity a forum.

"Last year's book received a second place in a contest," stated Mrs. Germano, "and we tried to improve on the areas this year that were criticized previously." The answer to the weakest area was more art work; pictures and photographs that are connected with the poems themselves."

The theme this year is "The Emerging Self," and many people have revealed themselves through their submissions. Poems and creative works were welcomed from each and every student, and the response was excellent.

This year's editors rated each work, decided in which section the poem would be most relevant, and coordinated the art. The four senior editors were Kathy Grubb, Luanne Kenna, Sherri McLochlin, and Lisa Parker. Juniors were Anna Barrett, Mary Dworecki, Jim Krillenberger, and Darla Yoder. Tess Doering, Laura Haines, Ruth Henry, Greta Roemer, Electa Sevier, and Lisa True were the sophomores who participated.

Mrs. Germano gave credit to all those who worked, while the staff agreed that she had been crucial to the success of the book. With fingers crossed, they are awaiting the conclusion and the subsequent sale of the 1980 FOOTPRINTS magazine; the date for the sale is now tentatively scheduled for this week or the beginning of next week.

## Orchestra, band hold Spring concert

The John Adams Band and Orchestra held their spring concert at IUSB on May 15.

This concert was one of the highlights of the year, because along with the pieces for full ensemble performed by the band, several seniors played solos.

The soloists are all talented musicians, and they played excellently. Martha Schilling performed the first movement of Weber's *Second Concerto in E Flat*

for Clarinet. Gretchen Priest played the violin solo *Meditation* by Massenet. Robyn Moore performed Mozart's *Concerto in D Major* on her flute, and Nick Marino played *Kol Nidrei*, a cello solo by Bruch. They were accompanied by the orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Germano.

The Wind Ensemble, directed by Mr. Dwyer, performed *Thundercrest March, First Suite in E flat for*

*Military Band, and Beguine for Band.* For Concert Band, directed by Mrs. Dawson, played *Gallant Men and Belmont Overture.* The Jazz Band also played several selections, among them *In a Mellow Tone*, a song popularized by Count Basie. The Jazz Band will also perform downtown at River Bend Plaza on May 21. It was a very well played and a very enjoyable performance.

## Dinner dedicated to publications staff

The annual Publications Dinner was held May 8th at the Hans Haus. All members of the *Tower*, *Album*, and *Footprints* staffs and their parents were invited to attend.

The dinner allows students who are involved in publications to be recognized for the time, energy, and dedication they have devoted to Adams publications during the past year.

Outstanding achievers are: the co-editors of the *Tower*, Joe Taylor and Lisa Parker, who is also an editor of *Footprints*, Adams' literary magazine, co-editors of the *Album* are Mary Gregg and Kathy Grubb, both of whom edited the South Bend Tribune's Next Generation Page. Sports editors of the *Tower* and *Album*, John Byers and George Patton were recognized for their four years of outstanding sports writing.

Luanne Kenna, page editor/copy

editor of the *Tower* and *Album*, as well as *Footprints* and the Next Generation Page, contributor Tammy Van Es, club's section editor of the *Album*, Kelly Kerrihard and Sherri McLochlin, both of whom contributed to the Next Generation Page and the *Tower*, and Kevin Lennon, sports and news writer for the *Tower* for the past four years were all recognized for their contributions. Sandy Outlaw was named outstanding sophomore for her work on the *Tower* and on the index section of the *Album*, and the Next Generation Page.

Others recognized for their work were: *Album* members Mary Dworecki and Denise Baer, *Tower/Album* staff member, Business Manager and Photographer John Engel, and *Tower* writer Debbie Ditsch. Other Tower members honored at the dinner

includes: Tess Doering, Electa Sevier, and the 1980-81 editors, Mark Miller, Eleanor Pollak, and Mark Weisman. Jim Krillenberger was recognized for his work on the *Album* and on *Footprints*.

The speaker for the evening was former Adams sports editor for the *Album*, and *Tower*, John Heisler, Assistant Director of Sports Information at Notre Dame. He spoke of his experiences at the University of Missouri journalism school.

Mr. Przybysz talked to parents about their children's high school accomplishments, and Mrs. Germano spoke of her early journalism days and about her recent experiences with *Footprints*.

Mrs. Maza, Tower and Album sponsor, honored each student individually and spoke of the duties and accomplishments of each member.

## Senior Citizens visit Adams

When people think of growing old, they think of being outcasts of society, being dependent and sometimes being "locked away" in nursing homes. Some are different, though. Some are independent and want to enjoy life. Student Government escorted a group of Senior Citizens, such as these, on a visit to John Adams.

These senior citizens are part of a group called "Real Services," which is a government funded organization of nutritional diets. These members go a different place once a week for a free well-balanced meal and the week of

April 30th, they visited Adams.

While at Adams, they had a chance to see classes in progress, a tour of the school, and a basically normal day. They had an opportunity to talk to the teachers, other members of the staff and the students. The senior citizens were very pleased with Adams and the way that the school was conducted. Such comments as "How clean the school is!", "How friendly the people are," were made.

Then the senior citizens' escorts were invited to a luncheon on May 8th at the Gospel Center.

"My degree from Michiana College of Commerce was certainly important in getting my job," observes Miriam Anderson, secretary at Standard Oil in Granger. A two-year executive secretarial program at MCC prepared Miriam for her current responsibilities.

After graduating from Adams High in 1976, Miriam considered a number of other colleges. But she had friends who went to MCC and they recommended it highly.

Did she really need a college degree to become a secretary? "I took a lot of business and secretarial classes in high school and thought I knew a lot," admits Miriam. "Now I realize that I needed my MCC education in areas like accounting, business machines, and general business to gain more specific, practical knowledge."



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# Sports Box

## Girls track finishes on top of NIC

The John Adams girls' track team ended the season in a three way tie with Clay and Penn for the NIC title. Their record at the end of the season was an almost perfect 10-1. They suffered their only loss to a tough Clay team 43-62. However, they were victorious over Penn 56-49. Each team will receive a trophy and the individuals on the teams will be given a patch.

On Saturday, May 3, the girls participated in the Mishawaka Princess relays. There were fourteen schools participating. The team as a whole finished second, Clay finished first winning by two points. First place winners were Sherry Bolden, Annette Schaumber, Diane Mennucci, and Angela Watson in the shuttle relay and Lynn Quimby and Mary Amico in the high jump relay. Second place winners were Linda Lowman in the 800 meter run, Sherry Bolden, Katie Manley, Annette Schaumber, and Julie Davis in the 800 meter relay, Diane Farmer, Jane Wygant, Judy Hamilton, and Beth Carter in the 1600 meter relay, and Lisa McKnight and Julie Doetsh in the discus.

To all the girls that made sectionals we wish you the best of luck and congratulations to the whole team for a great season.

## Freshman baseball on winning streak

The red-hot freshman baseball team is steamrolling through its schedule with little trouble at all, owning a 9-1 record which includes seven straight victories.

One of the major factors contributing in the frosh success story this year is a strong pitching staff. A solid starting rotation consisting of Dan Manier, Alan Nutting, Dave Skidmore, Dan Tarwacki and Kevin Weesner has kept the team within striking distance in every game so far this season, not allowing more than six runs in any one contest.

The hitting has also been more than satisfactory, and on any given day can blow an enemy pitcher right off the mound. This was emphatically demonstrated in a recent doubleheader at Goshen, in which Adams slaughtered the home team twice, 23-3, and 12-2. Brown was also annihilated, 17-4.

But whether it has been strong pitching or heavy hitting, the freshmen's performance this year follows in rich tradition of Adams baseball excellence on the baseball diamond.

## Improving linkers gear for strong finish

The John Adams golf team has never been known for its overwhelming size and popularity, but this year there were barely enough to complete the team. Fortunately, however, the team is only lacking in depth and not in ability.

The team is led by sophomore Gene Szabo with a 79.1 per game average, is followed by his brother Ralph with 81.4 and continues with another sophomore, Dave Lobeck, at 83-4. These three provide the focal point of the team and have played in all the meets so far. The other members who alternate on the five man team are Bill Witskin and Andy Heckaman, the only junior and freshman and Geoff Wharton and Mike Lobeck, two seniors.

Despite the youngness of the team, they have managed to hold their own with a 5-3 over a record and a 3-3 conference record. Coach Otolski feels that this is a building year for golf and that Adams is slowly working their way up to being a leading power in the conference and that all they need is a little support from the fans.

## Baseball team suffers from inconsistency

The last two weeks have brought about many ups and downs for the boys' baseball team. The team has been playing good baseball for two or three games, then the next couple of games are disasters. Some of the ups these past few weeks have been a win over 4th ranked Elkhart Central, a victory over 6th ranked Plymouth and a key conference win against LaSalle.

The outlook looked grim for the second game of the Plymouth doubleheader as the Eagles had just lost the first game 12-5 in 10 innings. Plymouth got on the score board first and carried a one run lead into the third inning. Adams then managed a run and the score remained deadlocked at 1-1 heading into the 7th inning. Plymouth got a run home in the top of the 7th, it was up to the offense to score some runs. Frank Romeo and Brad VonDeSomple both reached base on hits, and with runners on 1st and 3rd, Russ Pyles laid down a suicide squeeze bunt to tie up the game. One out later with the bases loaded, Bob Wiesjahn also

laid down a perfect suicide bunt and the game was over.

The next big win for the Eagles came against highly rated Elkhart Central. The Blue Blazers got two quick runs in the first inning, but the Eagles hung tough, and heading into the last inning the score was 2-1. With two outs, and men on 1st and 2nd, Kevin Lennon walked to load the bases. Bob Wiesjahn worked the count to 3 balls and 2 strikes before getting an infield base hit which scored 2 runs. The second run came on some very smart baserunning by Gary Haygood. Brian Dubie pitched 2 innings of relief to gain the win.

Next came LaSalle in a must win game for the Eagles in order to keep their conference title hopes alive. LaSalle got 3 runs before the Eagles could get out the board. Then, Kevin Lennon drove home one run with a bloop double, and when the inning was over, the game was tied 3-3. LaSalle got one more run to make it 4-3, and after tying the game up in the sixth inning, Adams came to bat in the

seventh needing only one run. With men on first and second, Cary McMahon grounded a base hit to right field scoring Kevin Lennon and ending the game. After this key win, the Eagles conference record stood at 8 wins and 5 losses.

But bad luck was waiting around the corner and finally showed up at the Mishawaka game. The Eagles led 1-0 heading into the bottom of the fifth inning when Mishawaka scored 3 runs via two errors, a couple hits and some poor umpiring. The Eagles had some scoring opportunities in the 6th and 7th innings, but the 2 run lead held up for a 3-1 Mishawaka win. This win all but eliminated the Eagles hopes for the conference title, but the Sectionals are just around the corner. Coach Len Buczkowski is happy with his team's play, and providing the pitching holds up and the key hits continue to fall in, the Eagles have an excellent chance at winning their 3rd sectional title in a row. The Eagles have a game tonight at Clay Park at 7:30. Come on out and give them your support.

## Track team ends season with flurry

The boys' track team, after getting off to a relatively slow start this season, has finally begun to assert itself.

The team won its last three dual meets of the year and has compiled an overall 5-3 record.

The most exciting point of the season probably was when Adams faced Clay. The Eagles put on a furious rally, winning the final five events of the afternoon for a come-from-behind 65-62 triumph. Earlier in the day, Rod Scruggs had won the 100 and 200 meter runs and Solomon Anderson had taken the 800 meters. Then came the big surge: Horace Hill won in the high jump, Greg Hughes took the pole vault, Robert Murphy captured the long jump, and the 400-meter relay squad came away victorious. Finally, the 1600-meter relay team put the Colonials away and the meet went to Adams.

In comparison, the Eagles' next meet with Mishawaka was fairly

easy, as Adams whipped the Cavemen 70-57. But while the meet wasn't particularly close, there were still a few highlights. Solomon Anderson, running in the 1600-meters for the first time, posted one of the state's fastest times this year (4:24). Robert Murphy also had a good day, winning in the 400 and 200-meter runs as well as in the long jump. Rod Scruggs took the 100, Jeff Sypniewski captured the 3200, and both relay teams won again.

In the final dual meet of the season, Adams defeated highly-regarded Elkhart Memorial, 68-59 on the Crimson Chargers' home track. Again, the Eagles had to come from behind, as the 400 and 1600-meter relay teams posted wins in the last two events of the day to clinch the meet. Individual titles went to Rod Scruggs in the 100-meters, Solomon Anderson in the 1600, Dave Dzubinski in the 400, Robert Murphy in the 800, and

Jeff Sypniewski in the 3200.

But perhaps the best indication of the Eagles' late-season improvement came in the Penn Invitational meet. Pitted against all of their Northern Indiana Conference opponents, Adams finished runnerup to the host Kingsmen, who had gone unbeaten during the conference season. In the process, the Eagles placed first in two events. Solomon Anderson topped the area's best time this year (which he had set himself) and also set a new meet record with a 1:56.7 run in the 800-meters. Adams ended the day on a high note when the 1600-meter relay team beat Penn by 1 1/2 seconds, a win which boosted the Eagles into second place overall. Others winning points for Adams were Robert Murphy in the long jump and 400-meter run, Todd Parker in the 300 low hurdles, and Rod Scruggs and Cory Forrest, both in the 200-meters.

## Eagles snap six year Blazer streak

On May 8, 1980 the Adams Tennis Team broke the dream of many Elkhart Central fans. The Blazers arrived at Adams undefeated in 83 straight matches or the equivalent of 6 years. Girls Tennis here always concentrates its efforts on beating Elkhart, unfortunately winning has not been the outcome in the last few years.

The 4-3 victory was pulled out in number 5 singles and number 1 doubles. June Vascil and Liz Gundlach split sets and then came back from a deficit of 5-1 to win their match 7-5 in the third set. Commotion from the crowd seemed to be the factor which lead to Lisa Frieden's win at number 5 singles. "When I saw that Liz and June had won I knew that the score was 3 to 3 and once again it was up to me."

In the '79 confrontation Lisa split when the score was 3-3 and the pressure was on. This year, however, she got revenge for last

year's loss. Determination and excellent play allowed her to win the 3rd set this time. Rallying back from a 3-2 Central lead Lisa won the set 6-3. Once again the 3-3 match was set in her hands and she gave her opponent no chance to take the win away from Adams. The thrill of the victory was felt by everyone, but these 3 people will live their matches over in their heads again and again.

Graduating seniors Sandy Gyorgi and Ellyn Severyn couldn't have asked for a better goodbye present. Sectionals will be held at Leeper Park this season instead of at Elkhart on May 17. There is a promise of strong competition between St. Joe, Central, and Adams, Eagles being the favorite. The girls wish to thank their coach Ann Hamilton and the fans for their wonderful support during the tough Central match.



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