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## Torch Staff Invites Students To Participate In Bicentennial Project 'Seeds For The Future'

This is an invitation to participate in a Bicentennial Project to be sponsored at your school by your school paper. It is called "Seeds For The Future" and it requires no money, only some thought and a little effort. It will serve to benefit our community for the years ahead. It has been tested already and has brought a glow of satisfaction to all students participating.

The project originated at Brittany Junior High in University City and they were asked to expand the project to include other school papers.

As the accompanying list will indicate, we are collecting books, magazines, games and art materials for the children of the Banneker District in St. Louis. Students on our staff are bringing magazines, children's books etc., which they no longer use, and they are asking their friends and others to do the same. Beginning May 4 and through May 15, bring them to the stage in the girls' gym where we will sort them and tie them together in small bundles. Then we will load them into cars or a school truck for delivery to the Banneker District distribution center at 2840 Lucas Avenue.

Dr. Samuel Shepard, director of the Banneker District Schools is very pleased with the project and suggested that other districts participate in it.

The Banneker District in St. Louis extends from Grand Avenue to the river, and from Choteau on the south to St. Louis Avenue on the north. Children come from home where some have never had a book or magazine of their own and where they may never even have seen anyone reading. In a small way our project is intended to help.

### Collection of Children's Books and Magazines May 4 thru May 15

You are urged to give the following books and magazines to a member of the Ferguson Junior High School Journalism Class or deliver them to the stage before or after school. They will then be prepared for distribution by the Banneker District in St. Louis, in whatever way it sees fit. Magazines do not need to be the latest issue but preferably not more than a few years old.

#### Magazines:

##### CHILDREN'S:

Jack and Jill  
Highlights  
Humpty Dumpty  
Boys' Life  
Calling All Girls  
American Girl  
Children's Digest

##### GENERAL:

Popular Mechanics  
Popular Science  
Reader's Digest  
(many others)

#### Miscellaneous:

##### Games —

Geography, travel  
Dominoes  
Checkers  
Flash Card Sets  
Drawing and Painting  
Materials  
Modeling Clay

##### SPORTS:

Sports Illustrated  
Field and Stream  
Sport  
(many others)

##### NEWS:

Time  
Newsweek  
Look  
Life

#### Children's Books:

Picture Books  
Story Books  
Joke and Riddle Books  
Children's Poetry Books  
Girl Scout Handbooks  
Boy Scout Handbooks  
Nature Books  
Travel Books

#### Study Materials:

Dictionaries  
Atlases and Maps  
Almanacs —  
Textbooks for elementary grades  
Encyclopedias  
Current events papers

## ★ Honor Roll ★

### THIRD QUARTER

The Honor Roll is based on a current grade point average of 3.333 which is between a B and a B+. The points for the grades are as follows: A, 4 points; B, 3 points; C, 2 points; D, 1 point, and F, no point. Plus and minus grades are not figured in for the grade point average. Subjects not meeting daily do not carry full credit in points, for instance physical education. An asterisk by a name indicates a 4.0 grade point average or all A grades.

#### Seventh Grade

Norma Bauer	Jeanne Fischer	Deborah Persels
Jane Bentley	Barbara Garvey	Marta Rallis
James Bonebrake	Patricia Godfrey	Deborah Rose
John Broholm	Nicholas Giordano	Carol Russo
Rebecca Bruder	Christy Goodrick	Thomas Satterly
Mary Burleson	Mary Gordon	Margaret Schaefer
Marsha Butler	Phyllis Hansell	Patricia Scott
Cathy Carpenter	Judith Harte	Carol Sneed
Christine Case	Linda Hogan	*Ronald Thompson
David Cartwright	Vicki Keith	Larry Tippit
Janice Crader	Debra Lands	*Doris Trefny
Candace Cromer	Donita Latta	Lynn Trimpe
Catherine Cross	Marsha Leonard	Mary Underhill
Sheryl Curry	Ann Livingston	Carol Waldvogel
Nancy Day	Jane Mansfield	Thomas Wallis
Sandra Dempsey	Dennis Maunder	Diana Watkins
Randall Doerman	Susan McCall	Donna White
Gabrielle Domermuth	Jean McKenzie	Merilee Willman
Elaine Elliott	Robert Miller	Barbara Witzke
Joyce Fielder	Ramona Millican	Mary Woodall
John Finn	Leslie Moore	

#### Eighth Grade

Theresa Ames	Nancy Evans	Elaine Pont
Helene Arnott	Marjorie Foerber	Sandra Quillo
Patricia Babbitt	Sheryl Feutz	Mary L. Schmedeke
Jackie Barnes	*Carol Frost	Susan Schwendener
Terry Bartholomew	Aaron Gaskin	Sallie Shepardon
Gary Behle	Susan Gore	Richard Spillenkothen
Stephen Brammeier	Marcia Gyax	Bonnie Stamm
*Sandra Branahl	Robert Jones	Lawrence Telle
Gail Buss	Lawrence Kurtz	Cheryl Tuckett
Richard Christman	Kurt Larson	Arlene Turner
Donna Lee Combs	*Rebecca Lewis	Sue Turner
Stven Courtois	Linda Scott	Cathy Tschannen
Patricia Crabtree	Barbara McClure	Margaret Underhill
Linda Dempsey	Kathy Olson	Terry Varner
Chris Dillon	Walter Parker	Karen Vemmer
Sue Essock	Sandra Pavletic	*Joan Walker
Beth Estabrooks	Joanie Pfeifer	Dennis Wall

#### Ninth Grade

Sharon Bass	Jim Foor	Sara Penhale
Jane Bidleman	Francine Frey	Donna Quint
Bette Bosch	Cathy Gibbs	David Richardson
Neil Bregenzer	Vicki Grubbs	James Richardson
Linda Brendell	Michele Hartmann	Darlene Rumer
Dennis Brown	Sharon Jueckstock	Teddy Senadenos
Richard Brooks	Damon Kerby	Susan Scheinbrum
Jane Buchholz	Jennifer Kirschner	Donna Smith
Stephen Burns	Dan Livingston	David Socia
Jacque Burris	*David Martin	Mary Stephens
Carolyn Burt	Kathleen McCoy	Donna Storey
Sandra Campbell	Michael McGrath	Richard Treat
Paul Cartwright	*Janis Mead	Sally Waldvogel
Rosemary Cornwell	Steven Montigne	*Donna Watson
Richard Dunford	Sharon Moss	Romelle Witzke
*Mike Fischer	Larry Murphy	Robert Wortman

## Home Ec. Student Wins Third Place

Ferguson Junior High is fortunate enough to boast one of the third place winners in the "Our Family Kitchen Contest," sponsored by Union Electric. Ninth grade home economics student, Linda Skiles, received a ten dollar award for her model

kitchen.

The home economics students were asked to remodel their own kitchen. They were judged on originality, neatness, and the way an idea was carried out. Out of 2600 entries, there were 132 winners.

## Voters Pass Levy Will Vote Again On Kindergarten

Voters of our district passed the tax levy on April 7, for an operating rate of \$3.00 by a 68% vote. There was just one proposition on the ballot which was the Teachers' Fund. The proposal required only a simple majority.

On February 19, when voters on a bond proposal of \$1,300,000 and a two year total tax levy of \$4.05, a historic 12,500 came out to vote. It turned out that the total vote was over 60% but not enough for the 2/3 majority. Under the statutes of our state, any proposal of this much money, the vote must be a 2/3 majority.

Voters of the Ferguson-Florissant R-2 District, on May 5, will vote again, this time on a proposal for a full year kindergarten program for the 1964-65 school year.

At this time there is a half-year program but next year the program is scheduled to end because of the defeat of the last school bond issue and tax increase which needed a 2/3 majority.

This new election vote was set by the Board because of a petition requesting a full time kindergarten program for next year.

If a petition is turned in the number of voters signing it must equal 10% or more of the votes for the Board member who had the highest total of votes in the last election.

To provide a full-time kindergarten the amount of additional revenue needed will be \$.28 on the \$100 valuation. The salaries for the 32-34 teachers is the largest part of the program

## Library Contests Winners Chosen

The annual library contests were held again this year in honor of National Library Week April 13-17. One contest was held for each grade. The seventh grade contest was vocabulary building. The eighth grade contest was a crossword puzzle, and the freshman contest was identifying lines from Shakespearean plays.

The winners had their choice of one of two books for each grade. The winners and the books they chose are: 9th grade, Ron Thrash, *Stories from Shakespeare*, and Jane Buchholz, *Tales from Shakespeare*. 8th Grade, Greg Martineau, *White Fang*, and Kathleen Zehner, *A Tale of Two Cities*. 7th Grade, Lynn Trimpe, *Little Women* and Linda Andrieu, *Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo*.

## Evening of Choral Music to Honor Shakespeare

On Tuesday, May 5, at 8:00 p.m. the A Capella Choir, Madrigal, and Girls' Glee Club will present "An Evening of Choral Music."

The Madrigal group, in particular, will honor Shakespeare's 400th birthday. They will sing several Elizabethan poems, two of which were written by William Shakespeare, set to music by Ralph Vaughan Williams. They will also perform three chansons by Paul Hindemith in memory of him as one of the most outstanding composers of the 20th Century.

The A Cappella Choir will perform several numbers. Among them, the Randel Thompson "Alleluia," "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes" by Ben Johnson, and an English Madrigal, "Weep O Mine Eyes."

Three of the selections by the Glee Club will be "Ave Maria" by Areadelti, "Come Away Sweet Love" by Miller, and "Tell Me, Mama" by Bergere.

This is the last performance of the Choir, Madrigal, and Glee Club, so everyone is urged and invited to come and enjoy the "Evening of Choral Music."

## Bands and Orchestras To Appear in Concert

Appearing on the same program will be the concert orchestra, which has just returned from a triumphant Festival appearance; the concert A band, fresh from a similar engagement, and for the first time appearing in public, both B bands combined into one group. Mr. Stacy will be directing all groups.

This "modern miracle of sound" will take place May 12. The orchestra will play its Festival tunes plus several new ones. The concert band will perform "Trumpeter's Lullaby" and excerpts from "Brigadoon" in addition to their Festival pieces. The B bands will perform songs which they have been preparing. Everyone is urged to be on hand in Gym B at 8:00 to witness this memorable event.

### College Club

Members of the College Club are now planning a trip to the University of Missouri, which will be sponsored by Mrs. Brehm and Mrs. Chapman. The trip is scheduled for Friday, May 8. The students will leave before school starts and will travel by bus to the University. There they will be taken on a tour of the campus and will eat lunch in the Student Union. The buses will return from Columbia at about 6:00 p.m.

## Ninth Grade Girl Wins National Contest

Darlene Rumer, a freshman here at Ferguson, has won a signature 500 portable typewriter in an essay contest. Her essay on "Why I Would Like a Signature Typewriter" was judged as the best on skill, originality, and aptness of thought. The contest was open to all high school and college age students. A total of 42 typewriters were awarded across the country.

But this is not Darlene's first time in winning a contest. It seems that Darlene's whole family is lucky at winning contests. Previous to winning the typewriter Darlene has won a pony in a "Name the Pony" contest. But because they could not keep the pony they gave it to the zoo and it has appeared in the monkey act. Darlene also has won a record player and other small items.

Darlene's mother also has won numerous prizes in various kinds of contests. She belongs to a national contest club that meets once a month and also meets once a year in Jefferson city when all the clubs in Missouri meet for one big meeting. So, winning contests seems to run in Darlene's family.

### Art Classes

The Ferguson Junior High Art Classes participated in the Red Cross International Art Show, April 3 to April 5. The show held at downtown Scruggs and approximately 15 of our students had art work in the show.

The purpose of the show was to promote cultural relations among nations of the world. Each nation donates art work, typically picturing their people's activities.

They are exhibited in their country and then added to exhibits of other countries, and sent throughout the world.

Although the District Art Fair occurs only every two years, the teachers within each school have decided to gather the best work from the students for the year and exhibit them in their school's main hall.

At the present time our exhibit is in the hall outside of the office, and students are encouraged to observe and appreciate.

### Spanish Club

A movie was shown at the April 13 meeting of the Spanish Club. The movie was about Spain and was called "Castinets and Castles."

At the April 27 meeting, Marcela Alcivar, the exchange student from Ecuador at McCluer, spoke to the members.

The next meeting will be on May 4.

## Band Members To Perform For "Music Man"

Fourteen members of the "A" band, and two members of the "B" band will perform as a small band in the McCluer High School production of "Music Man." The group will meet on two Saturdays in May, and the performance will be on May 7th, 8th, and 9th. The members from the "A" band are:

Clarinets, Steve Wortman and Dan Borders; Alto Sax, Craig Dearden; Tenor Sax, Larry King; Trombones, Mike Meyers, and Mike Silverwood; Oboe, Jane Buchholz; Trumpets, Mike Trokey, and Paul Morris; Baritone Sax, John Wildermuth; Baritone Horn, Richard Christman; Tuba, Dave Martin; Flute, John Shugert and John Teichmann; French Horns, Gary Behle and Linda Lott.

The "B" band members are Don Weiher, trombonist, and French Horn player, Rosemary Osbourne.

### Band

The "A" band attended the Spring Festival at Ritenour High School on April 29, with great success. They performed Slavonic Dances, Fantasy for Band and several other arrangements.

The "A" band will, also, perform in the Spring Concert on May 12 at 8:00 p.m. in the large gym. After they play, the "B" band and the Concert Orchestra will perform. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Orchestra Performs In Suburban Festival

The Concert orchestra, composed of string and wind instruments, performed in the St. Louis Suburban Orchestra Festival which was held at Berkeley Senior High School on April 16. Mr. Stacy is the conductor.

The orchestra, which rehearses in full strength only one day per week, performed two pieces. These were, "Prelude for Orchestra," by Noah Klauss and "Adagio and Allegro" by Corelli.

The adjudicator, Dr. James Barnes of Indiana State College, gave the orchestra grades or ratings in various categories such as tone, technique, balance, and interpretation. The ratings averaged out to an A—. After the performance Dr. Barnes addressed the orchestra and offered several suggestions for improving technique.

Other schols which participated in the festival were Florissant, Normandy, and Berkeley Junior High Schools.

### Conversation Club

The Conversation Club is going to see Shakespeare's well-known love drama, "Romeo and Juliet" on May 1. This play will be performed by the talented St. Louis University drama group

## Fads 'n' Fashions

Everyone has put away his winter woolies and is looking at the fashions that the spring weather has brought. With the new warming trend coming on, are the simple and comfortable styles. Heading the line of colors are pink and navy blue.

The guys seem to be getting in the swing of things and are wearing those "neat" madras plaid shirts.

The latest craze in dresses is the new peasant dresses, which come in print or plain material. Among the outfits which have designs that flatter the waist are coachmen skirts, shifts, and jumper dresses.

To remind us inlanders that there's still the sea, sailor outfits especially in navy blue and white are worn by everyone, even the landlubbers.

All these outfits are really stepped up when accompanied by the plastic coated straw purses. To complete your outfit are the circle bracelets covered with cloth to match your outfit or just in plain wood. See 'ya next month.

## Twins, Twins & More Twins

Have you ever been walking down the halls and thought you were seeing double? May be you were, but you were probably just seeing one of the nine sets of twins at FJHS. The first thing that you probably think of when hearing about twins is that they look alike and that they dress alike. But strange enough there are only two sets of identical twins and only three of the nine sets dress alike.

Cathy and Carol Buescher are one of the sets of identical twins. They dress alike and it is hard for their friends to tell them apart. Their birthday is on December 30, 1949 and they are in the 8th grade. Both Carol and Cathy enjoy horse back riding.

Caryn and Sharon Steinbrugge are also identical twins and they also dress alike. Their birthday is on September 13, and they are in the 9th grade. Vivacious Caryn and Sharon do not have any particular hobbies they just enjoy doing everything.

Mary and Margaret McDonough dress alike but they are not identical. They are in the seventh grade and celebrate their birthday on August 30. Mary enjoys playing softball and Margaret likes to play basketball.

Debra and Dorothy Wing are in the seventh grade and were born on July 21. They are not

## — TORCH BOX —

Dear Torch Box,

Do you have any cartoonists on your staff? Will you need one next year? I'm in eighth grade and might take journalism.

Unsigned,

Dear Unsigned

We are very lucky to have Linda Wallace as our cartoonist. Next year, as any other year, the Torch staff will need a cartoonist. Be sure to sign an application for journalism.

Torch Box

Dear Torch Box,

Why don't you include peanuts in the school cafeteria fruit machine?

Hungry

Dear Hungry,

Peanuts were eliminated because of the mess they caused.

Torch Box

Dear Torch Box,

How long has Mr. McCluer been superintendent of schools? Why is he retiring?

Thoughtful

Dear Thoughtful,

Mr. McCluer has been our superintendent for 34 years. He is retiring because he feels that it is time for a younger man to take over.

Torch Box

identical and do not dress alike. Dorothy enjoys swimming and Debra has no particular hobby.

Celebrating their birthday on April 30, Beverly and Bonnie Blanner are also, not identical and they do not dress alike. They both like to water-ski and Beverly likes to horse back ride.

Brenda and Glenda Coley are not identical and do not dress alike. They are in the 8th grade and their birthday is on May 12. They both enjoy playing basketball and volleyball and they like to swim.

Linda and Leslie Woodworth celebrate their birthday on June 18, and they are in the 9th grade. They are not identical and they do not dress alike. Linda likes to go on camping trips and Leslie, like most girls, likes boys.

Ron and Don Thrash are also twins and they are the only set of twin boys. They celebrate their birthday on October 29, and are in the 9th grade. They are not identical and do not dress alike. Don's favorite hobby is building things and Ron likes to sing.

Sue and Frank Trzecki are the last set of twins and they also are not identical. They were born on November 28, 1949 and are in the 8th grade. Sue likes to play softball and Frank likes to swim and go on camp outs.

## EXCHANGE COLUMN

Nipher Junior High now holds the office of second vice-president of the Missouri Association of Student Councils. The school won the only state office open to junior highs after running unchallenged. Nipher had campaign posters, buttons, and even a slogan, "Aye for Nipher."

West Ladue Junior High had an all-school Hootenanny February 28, which was a big success. The profits from the program amounted to \$30, and will be turned over to the ninth grade class. (Our freshmen could use that kind of money.)

North Kirkwood Junior High and Lindbergh Junior High exchanged members of their Student Councils on March 4th and 11th. The two councils paired off on these days and visited their partner's classes after being entertained upon arrival.

## EDITORIAL BRIEFS

How about cleaning up our messes after we eat in the cafeteria, huh? It would save the cafeteria staff a lot of extra work!

Have you ever been taking a test, when you were disturbed by the racket that some inconsiderate person was making in the hall? If so, stop and think about all the times you've probably been the inconsiderate one and disturbed others.

## TILLY TORCH

Dear Tilly,

All my life I have had but one ambition, to be a lion tamer, but there are no classes offered in lion taming; what should I do?

Desperate

Dear Desperate,

Have you tried visiting the school board lately? One word of caution, though; arm yourself with a chair, gun and a whip!

Dear Tilly,

Because of my job everybody thinks I am real mean. When I walk down the hall everybody suddenly becomes quiet.

Mr. Ferguson

Dear Mr. Ferguson,

Don't feel bad. We don't all think you're a mean man.

Dear Tilly,

I have a pen that is skipping all the time. Do you know any way of stopping this mess?

Ink Blot

Dear Ink Blot,

Amputate!

Dear Tilly,

Dearest, I have a boy friend who wears tennis shoes that have a most annoying squeek. He refuses to discontinue wearing them. What can I do?

Squeeked Out

Dear Squeeked,

Give him a can of oil next time you see him. Maybe he'll take the hint.

## Odds & Ends

Spring has come and love? is in the air. The girls are putting on their track shoes and picking up their clubs. Go get 'em girls.

It looks like very few girls are going to the Spring Dance because of the hard-headed boys. Come on boys ask them.

From the sound of things, Mr. McCormack's new theme song is "Cry me a River."

It seems a certain boy on the Florissant Track Team tried out for the swim team in Wabash Lake. Ask Pete Bastian, head trainer, if he made it.

Spring brings a few new couples at our school:

Fran and Jim

Ginny and Barry

Oose-may and Okmo-Day

Tim T. is making eyes at Rut Rut and Leah and John are deciding.

Just ask Damon K. and he'll tell you that Elroy and her friend Kathy W. from Florissant aren't too handy with the roll of T. P. but they get the point across.

A group of girls on 5th lunch shift have formed a new group called the Fab-uLash Fifth. The girls wish to remain anonymous. Here's a hint, Fran, Speed, Terrie, Rut.

If you're ever playing softball it would be wise to pick Linda S. for your side. Don't pick Speed! She doesn't really live up to her name!!

## EXCHANGE NEWS

Ron and Lynne —

on week ends only

Bill and Sue —

everything's coming up roses.

Forrest and Marsha —

never can tell

Bill and Liz —

unpredictable

By inquiring inconspicuously it has been discovered there is a romance blooming between Mike F. and Speed.

Has everyone seen Terrie B's shiner? Some accused Elroy of wrecking her cycle because she didn't have a pair of cool shades like Terrie's. She was injured in gym class because she'd rather fight than switch!

Did you hear about Mickey's last will and testament? She is bequeathing her genuine Cinderella clock to Mr. Meyer's 3rd hour algebra class.

Who is Bomber? You might ask Elroy!

Come on boys, ask those girls to the dance!

## Wedding Bells

Mr. Boelsen, 7th and 8th grade science teacher, and Miss Virginia Mikulin were married on April 4 at the Christian Church in Ferguson. A reception was held after the candlelight ceremony.

## P.T.G. Hosts 6th Grade Parents

Members of the PTG were the hosts to parents of students now enrolled in sixth grade in the southern portion of the district at the meeting on April 14th.

As a preview for the guests, of what their children's school life will be for the next 3 years, one feature of the meeting was "The R-2 Story," a series of slides depicting the happenings and routine of Ferguson Junior High. The stars of the story were teachers and pupils in various acts during the day.

At the same meeting an election for officers was held. The proposed candidates for President Mr. Avon Michel; Vice-President, Mrs. Frank Estabrooks; Secretary, Mrs. Thomas Fowler, and Treasurer, Mr. Erwin Branahl, were elected with no nominations from the floor.

After the meeting refreshments were served in the cafeteria.

## Two Student Teachers Now Working With English Classes

Ferguson Junior High now has two teachers added to the faculty. At the present time Mr. Chronister and Mr. Shapiro are student teachers in Mr. Lager's and Mrs. Murphy's English classes. Mr. Chronister has received his education from Park College and North East Missouri State. He is a native of Ferguson and went through the Ferguson Schools.

Mr. Shapiro went to school at Northeast Missouri State Teacher's College, transferring there from William Jewel College in Kansas City. He plans to teach, for a little while anyway. He would like to teach college prep seniors and junior high football. Mr. Shapiro says he likes the people at Ferguson, and particularly enjoys working with Mrs. Murphy. His favorite sports are waterskiing and football. Those who have Mr. Shapiro feel that he will be a very fine teacher.

## Mrs. Hale Taken To Hospital

Mrs. Hale, better known as the cafeteria's "little white lady," has been absent from us since Thursday, April 10. At the present time, she is in Missouri Baptist Hospital with an improving heart condition. It is not known when Mrs. Hale will be able to return, but we all wish her a speedy recovery. In her absence, Mrs. Hulbert is filling in for her.

## Student Council News

Auditions for the Student Council Variety Show were held on April 24, 25, and 28. A few members of the Student Council and some teachers served on the committee to judge the acts. Sometime in the last week of school is the date set for the show and so far it looks as though it will be a big success.

The Spring Dance for the eighth and ninth graders is set for May 15. The dance will be held in the large girls' gym and will be colorfully decorated. Bill Livsey's band will provide the music and there will be refreshments sold by Student Council members. The dance will begin at 7:30 and end at 10:00. There will be an admission charge of about 35c. The Student Council hopes to see all eighth and ninth graders at the dance.

## French Club

Main activities of the French club this month have been the French luncheons, discussions on the Fort Chartres — Fort Kaskaskia, St. Genevieve trip, and Marcella Alcivar's visit.

Two luncheons, April 9th, and April 23rd, were prepared for the French Club by the home economics classes. Guests of the 9th grade luncheon were Mr. Niehaus, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Bretch, and Mr. McCluer, members of the administration. Absent from the dinner was Mr. Brown, also a member of the administration. The 2nd luncheon was strictly the eighth grade members and Mrs. Finney. Cooked in burgandy and sherry wines, Boeuf Bourguignonne — Beef Burgandy-Style, over noodles, was the main dish. A tossed salad with an olive oil dressing accompanied the main dish, French bread and grape juice. Aouer a La Creme — Heart of Cream was the dessert along with chilled strawberries.

## 7th GRADE PERSONALITY

By popular demand, Pam Bronson was chosen as this month's seventh grade personality. She stands 5 feet, her hair is dark brown, and her eyes are blue in color. Her favorite subject is science and her favorite teacher is Miss Daily.

During the summer, Pam likes to go horseback riding and swimming. Before attending Ferguson Junior High Pam went to Our Lady of Guadalupe, and 6th grade at McCluer.

## QUIZITOR

What do you think of Flying Swingle Weasers? — This is the flying question of the month.

JOHN CLAFFY — I don't know but I wouldn't want one on the track team.

COACH KIMPLING — I don't think that those hep animals should be flying!

JOHN TEICHMANN — They're perfect barbarians, no ear for music.

COACH LONG — The cinders you get in your eyes, when you're running last in a track meet.

RON DOWNS — Weasers that fly?

MIKE TOBIAS — Real neat, if I knew what they were.

RICH SCHULTZ — The swingles are O.K. but the weasers get me.

MARK EVERS — the stuff that you sometimes get when birds fly over you

DOUG DIX — half miler

COACH TAFF — Real flying name!

COACH QUIGLEY — They're too much!

COACH HAENSSLER — Somebody's answer to the bedbugs.

DICK TREAT — Like 'em better wth celery leaves.

MIKE FISCHER — Structure modified for locomotion in the atmosphere.

BILL LIVSEY — As in medieval times they are irrelevant indehiscent to their procrastination.

MARK CONNELLY — Go see Tom Jones!

STEVE BURNS — Not right now, we're playing triple trouble.

CATHY CARPENTER — They're neat. Who are they?

JOHN FINN — What do they do?

MILLARD VANCE — The what? They're greater than the Beatles!

CARL WELHART — They're stupid.

JEANNINE BARNET — They're out of this world.

## EDITORIAL — Flying Food

Have you ever been casually sitting at a lunch table, eating a spoonful of some "delicious" (gagging) chocolate pudding, and suddenly a string bean comes whizzing by and splashes right into your soup; or perhaps you've had the pleasure of gazing up at the ceiling and seeing a half of a cheese sandwich all covered with different colored molds; or have you ever experienced the thrill of having milk splat right in your eye when you least expect it? If you are one of those poor unfortunates who have never had this happen to you, you have not missed much.

Flying food is a nuisance to the eater and must be combated. At first it may be a big thrill to throw food at one another, however after a while it gets tiresome, especially if you haven't eaten a decent lunch in four days. To keep our school from looking like a garbage can, we must stop the throwing of food. If everyone keeps on throwing food, before long it will be impossible to sit at a clean table and our school will become known as "The Garbage School of Ferguson."

How can we combat flying food? You could always throw food back, but that would only lead to a fight. Another way would be to wear a space helmet, but this would only protect your head. Of course you could wear a whole space suit, however this would become quite uncomfortable, not being able to move or walk properly. Actually, about the only way to combat flying food is to have everyone co-operate and stop throwing food. Not only will it make the meals more pleasant, it should also help the food taste better. So, everyone please don't throw any more food. We know you'd rather fight than stop, but for the sake of the school, for the sake of the janitors who have to clean it up, and for Pete's sake, please stop!

## 9th GRADE PERSONALITY

Five feet two inches tall, blonde hair, green eyes and an interest in camping, swimming and climbing trees are the characteristics of this month's personality, Leah Geiger.

Born on March 31, she has attended A&B Nursery School, Lee Hamilton, McCluer Junior High and now Ferguson Junior High. Leah is treasurer of the Student Council, member of the College Club, and Madrigal.

Coach Taff is her favorite teacher and choir is her favorite class. Leah's pet peeve is skinny people who go on diets.

## 8th GRADE PERSONALITY

If you happen to see a smiling blue-eyed blonde, about 5' 3" tall riding a horse through our fair city of Ferguson, you can be sure as shootin' you've seen our 8th grade personality, Sandy Pavletic.

Sandy, who has previously attended St. John & St. James and Central, says she likes all her teachers, although her favorite subject is math. She likes dancing, horseback riding, and softball, plus many other sports.

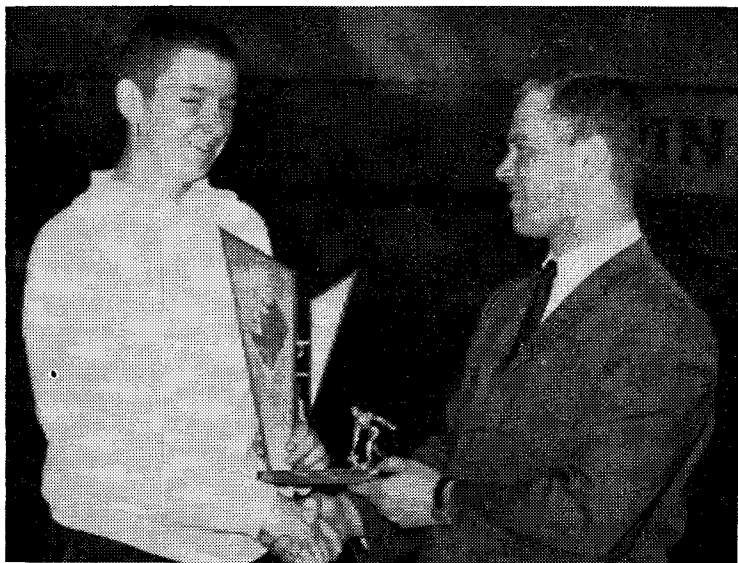
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# Ninth Grader Bowls Highest Score In State

"For Junior Bowlers, 716 is the highest series in the state," said Jim Wilson.

This was a statement made by the Executive Director of the Greater St. Louis BPAA, Jim

Wilson, when he presented ninth grader, Cliff Taylor with a trophy for bowling the highest three game series in Missouri. "This series could be the highest in the country for juniors," Jim Wilson announced.

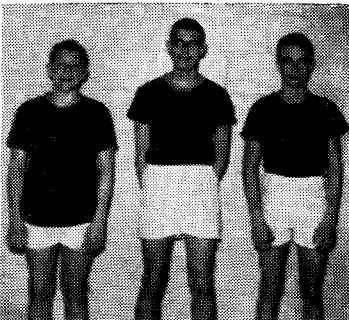
Cliff bowled three games of 238, 237, and 241 on alleys 5 and 6 at the Ferguson Bowling Lanes.

Pictures were taken and Jim Wilson asked our photographer if he could have a copy because he might arrange for the picture to be in a national magazine.

Cliff is one of the top bowlers in our school league. His team is in first place and he has the high game, high average, and the best three game series.

## Girls' Volleyball Intramurals

Seventh and Eighth grade Volleyball Elimination Tournaments were held in March. Each team played until it lost and was eliminated. Then the finals were played for first, second, and



### 7th Grade Badminton Doubles

— 3rd place, 1st row: R. Doerman, R. Barrett; 2nd place, 2nd row: S. Monnig, D. Johnson; 1st place, back row: D. Mollison, V. Meldrum.



### 8th Grade Badminton Doubles



## 8th Grade

1st — Spikers, Pat Stevenson

2nd — Butterfinger,

3rd — Volley-ettes

Christy Brooks

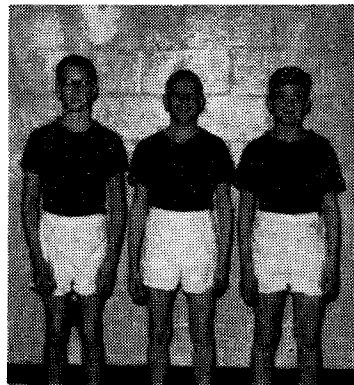
## 7th Grade

1st — Ball Boppers

2nd — Far Knives

3rd — Net Knockers

**7th Grade Badminton Singles —**  
**S. Monning, 2nd; T. Fluri, 1st;**  
**B. Wall, 3rd.**





# Comets Run Over Ritenour For First Track Victory

Ferguson opened its track season by running over Ritenour on Tuesday, April 14. The meet came with ease to the Comets who took the victory by 70½ to 24½ points.

Leading the rout, in which the Comets broke four of last year's records, was Al Holmes who accounted for two of the broken records.

As the meet got underway, Ferguson started off by placing only one man, Roland Belew, who took 2nd in the 60 yard hurdles. But Ferguson came back in the 100 yd. dash by capturing 1st and 2nd places. It was in this event that Al Holmes broke his own record of last year. He bettered it by 4 seconds making his new record 10.3. Following Al was A. Hill, who took 2nd place from Ritenour.

Following suit was the 220 where Al broke another one of his records. This one by .8 of a second making his new record 23.1. Second and third in the 220 also went to Ferguson's J. Claffy and M. Stewart.

John Kelly turned in a fine first place time for the quarter mile or 440 yd. run.

In the half mile or 880, Bill Amick's record of 112.4 was bettered by 2 seconds by Terry Fox. Jim Thornsberry, John Kelly, John Claffy, and Al Holmes cleaned up the 440 relay with a 48.6 time for Ferguson.

In the Field Events it didn't go quite as well. Ritenour took 1, 2, 3 in the pole vault, and in the high jump, Roland Belew saved us from complete defeat by taking first place. Things looked up again as results of the shot, discus and broad jump came in. Mark Evers broke his own record of 49' 5" in the shot put, with a new distance of 55' 11½". The discus and broad

jump went almost as well as the shot. Belew took 1st in the broad jump with a leap of 17' 2½". Mark Evers took the discus throw with a distance of 110' 8".

## Tennis Team Wins Over Parkway In First Meet

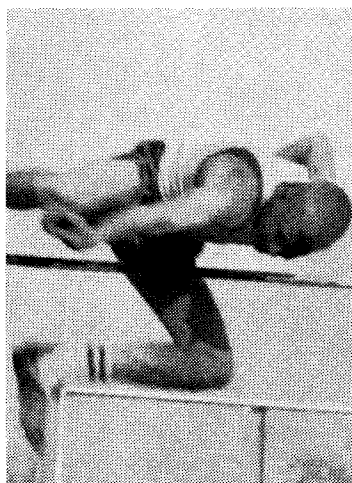
Ferguson's tennis team won the first meet of the season at Parkway Central Jr. High, April 16th. We won three of our matches making the score 3-2.

Both Dave Martin and Mark Connelly had tough matches but they pulled their games out after the second set to win.

Player	Result
Martin	W 6-2 2-6 7-5
Connelly	W 6-4 6-8 6-3
Stewart	Lost 0-6 4-6
Fischer-Foor	W 6-0 6-4
Krueger-Treat	Lost 2-6 5-7



Al Holmes finishes in first place in the 220.



Ron Downs competes in the high jump event during our track meet with Riverview.

Ferguson Track Records				
EVENT	HOLDER	TIME	YEAR	
100 YARD DASH	AL HOLMES	10.3	1963	
220 YD. RUN	AL HOLMES	23.1	1963	
440 YD. RUN	JOHN KELLY	1:00.0	1963	
880 YD. RUN	BILL AMICK	1:52.4	1963	
440 YD. RELAY	MARK EVERS, JOHN KELLY, AL HOLMES, JIM THORNBERRY	48.6	1963	
60 YD. LOWS	AL HOLMES	6.1	1963	
BROAD JUMP	AL HOLMES	17.2 1/2	1963	
POLE VAULT	AL HOLMES	10.3	1963	
DISCUS	MARK EVERS	110.8	1963	
SHOT PUT	MARK EVERS	55.11 1/2	1963	
HIGH JUMP	RON DOWNS	49.5	1963	

Various Ferguson track records



Steve Wortman returns a serve from his Clayton opponent.

## Ferguson Netmen Defeat Clayton

Our tennis team picked up its second victory of the season by defeating the Clayton freshmen 4-1 on April 17 on our own courts.

Bruce Kruenigel lost our only match but it was hard fought and his opponent played well enough to wait for Bruce to make the mistakes. Dave Martin, and Mark Connelly played well in singles and Mike Fischer, Jim Foor, Russ Stewart and Steve Wortman played well in doubles.

Player	Result
Martin	W 6-2 6-4
Connelly	W 6-0 6-2
Kruenigel	Lost 3-6 3-6
Fischer & Foor	W 6-0 6-2
Wortman & Stewart	W 6-0 6-4

### Bowling

This year's Bowling Club is drawing to a close. With only three to four weeks left the race for first is narrowing and any one of the top three teams has a chance.

The team which does come in first will receive a trophy and the second and third place teams will receive patches. Trophies will also be given for the high series, high game, and the high average. One person can only receive one of the latter three trophies. These trophies will be awarded to each division in both the boys' and girls' league.

**BOYS**  
High Series: Cliff Taylor 716  
1st — Alley Cats  
2nd — Gutterbusters  
3rd — Pinbreakers  
2nd — Gutterbusters  
4th — Winners

High Series: Cliff Taylor, 716  
High Game: Cliff Taylor, 249

**GIRLS**  
1st — Alley Cats  
2nd — Turkeys  
3rd — 8 Balls  
4th — Teenmates  
High Series: J. Beeman, 501  
High Game: J. Beeman, 200

# Trackmen Defeat Riverview East For 2nd Victory

Ferguson toppled Riverview East in their second meet on the 16th, which was the first home meet of the season. The Comets swept the meet by a score of 73½ to 21½.

The Comets tore through the running events by taking first and second in every event with the exception of the half mile in which third place was also gained and in the relay which is a team effort.

Results from the field varied as much as the events. In the broad jump Holmes and Bretch took first and second respectively. Over in the high jump area the Ferguson team led by Roland Belew was busy cleaning up first, second, and third places. In pole vault the Ferguson team didn't fare very well. Riverview took first, second, and tied for third. Mark Evers broke his own shot put record again which he had just broken in the previous meet. But in the discus, Riverview took first place.

Results:  
60-Yd. Hurdles, 8.3  
R. Belew (1) M. Stewart (2)  
100 Yd. Dash, 10.3  
A. Holmes (1) A. Hill (2)  
220 Yd. Dash, 24  
A. Holmes (1) A. Hill (2)  
440 Yd. Run, 56.4  
J. Kelly (1) M. Stewart (2)  
880 Yd. Run, 2:14.1  
T. Fox (1) D. Dix (2) and B. Hofer (3)  
440 Yd. Relay, 48.6  
Ferguson (1)  
Pole Vault — 9' 6"  
N. Rallo and Riverview tie (3)  
High Jump — 5' 5"  
R. Belew (1) R. Downs (2)  
D. Stimetz (3)  
Broad Jump — 18' 2"  
A. Holmes (1) D. Bretch (2)  
Shot Put — 56' 8"  
M. Evers (1) J. Claffy (2)  
M. Larigan (3)  
Discus — 116' 6"  
M. Evers (2)

## Tennis Team Wins Third Straight

The tennis team made its third big step towards an undefeated season by beating Parkway South 5-0 on April 23, here.

Dave Martin and Mark Connelly picked up their third straight singles victory, while the doubles team of Mike Fischer and Jim Foor picked up their straight doubles victory. The results were as follows:

Player	Result
Martin	Won 6-0 6-0
Connelly	Won 6-0 6-2
Treat	Won 6-1 6-4
Fischer and Foor	Won 6-0 6-0
Rabus-Schmiedere	Won 6-2 6-2