

# ORACLE

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Henry M. Gunn Senior High School

## Cars to be rerouted?

"Changes will have to be made," stated Gunn principal Larry Lynch in reference to the shameful traffic conditions at Gunn. Mr. Lynch sees several controversial remedies as the only proposed means to resolve the traffic hazard.

Since the beginning of the school year there have been three major incidents which resulted in serious traffic accidents. "I'm surprised there have not been more deaths and injuries with the existing conditions," reflected Lynch.

One radical proposal which Lynch intends to suggest to the traffic commissioner is the removal of the large oak tree at the school entrance which Lynch claims impedes the view of outgoing traffic. The tree forces outgoing traffic to edge forward in order to see westbound traffic from Arastradero, causing a hazard to pedestrians and bicyclists. This suggestion becomes controversial since most people

think that the aesthetic value of the tree enhances the beauty of the school.

Another of Lynch's considerations is to withdraw parking privileges from drivers who are witnessed driving recklessly. An even more drastic idea is to disallow students living within a mile and a half radius of Gunn to drive to school.

Although a new bike path running parallel to the Gunn entranceway has already been built, Lynch suggests that another bike path on the opposite side of the front lawn may be necessary in order to solve the problem of car/bike competition while leaving Gunn. In addition there is neither a bike lane nor bike path on Arastradero until a student reaches the cemetery traveling east.

The most radical proposal for improving traffic conditions is the extension of the small road which runs behind the autoshop so that it will connect with the parking lot.

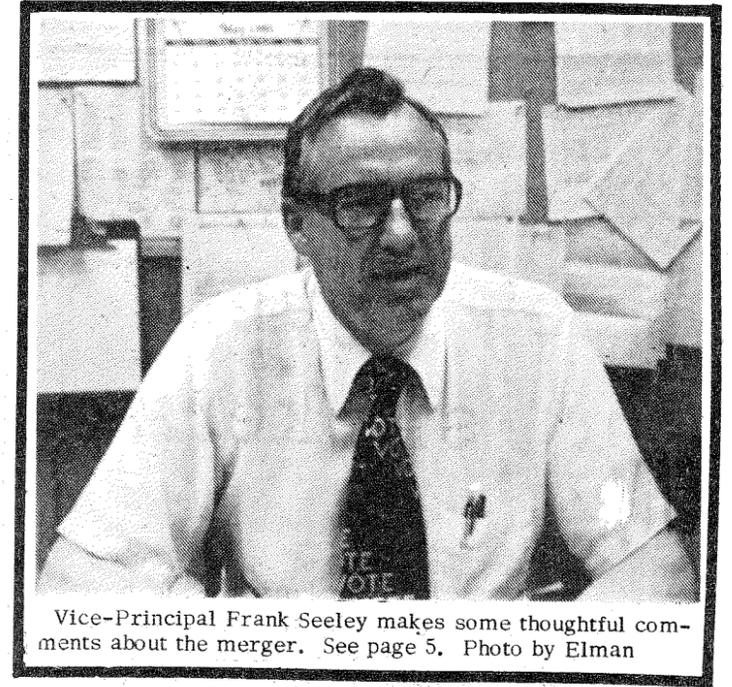
This would relieve parking lot congestion while providing two traffic outlets, though it would have the unfortunate consequence of annoying students who enjoy the area between Spangenberg and the amphitheater.

## Gunn elects student reps

By JON KAPLAN

Montgomery is President! After almost two weeks of fervent campaigning, Scott Montgomery took the election from ex-Cougar Aaron Kaufmann in one of the four run-offs last Wednesday. Montgomery and Kaufmann made it to the run-offs by each attaining more votes than the two other candidates, Nick Dement and Carol Weeks, but neither obtaining a majority.

Bruce Abernethy, after losing last year's battle for Junior Class President in runoff voting, overcame Kim Hatasaka in this year's runoff for Senior Class President.



Vice-Principal Frank Seeley makes some thoughtful comments about the merger. See page 5. Photo by Elman

All Abernethy could say in regard to the massive responsibilities of next year's office was "I'm ready."

Obtaining the junior and sophomore presidencies were Phil Tucker and Linda Eltherington. The two were voted into office with apparent ease. Tucker secured a majority over two other candidates, Amy Overmann and Bea Chestnut, while Eltherington took a majority over three other candidates: John Liu, Nicole Smith, and Meagan Wheeler.

Campaign speeches, given on Monday June 2, were generally depressing. All of the candidates, except class council and unopposed candidates, gave speeches, and most of the dissertations were centered around the negative aspects of the school. Kaufmann, stating that "school is dead," surmised that the only way that the student body could save Gunn from boredom was to elect him. Dement centered his speech around three C's: communication, cooperation, and celebration. He stated that the administration is the root of Gunn's problems and that if he were elected he would fight for the students' rights.

Montgomery's speech, on the other hand, was humorous. He stressed that school spirit is judged too much by athletic participation and the school should unite under ecology. One of Montgomery's major ideas was that Gunn

should have a recycling project that would involve the surrounding community.

Tim Foy in the run-off election beat Tom McGannon for the office of vice president. In the other elections the results were the following:

Secretary/Treasurer, Debbie Walsh;  
Director of Intramural Sports, Andres Fajardo;  
Chairman of Special Events, Kindel Todd;  
Human Relations Commissioner, Walter Hays;  
Chairman of Social Committee, Kristi Jogis;  
Rally Commissioner, Debbi Solomon;  
Palo Alto Youth Council---Dorian Fondahl, Lowell Gibbs, Nina Van Dyke, Jim Wilson.

In the Senior Class Council Jennifer Hicks and Holly Stevenson tied in the original vote and then tied again in the run-off. The options opened to Senior Class President Bruce Abernethy to solve this conflict are to admit both of them to the council; admit each to the council for one semester; or have another run-off.

Freshman tennis star Stephanie Savides was inadvertently left off the ballot for sophomore class council. This completely smashed her hopes of attaining a place on the council. Savides is not very angry about her name being left off the ballot, although she is a bit angry on principle.

## Campanile cited for libel

By ANDRES FAJARDO

The student newspaper staff at Palo Alto High School has been hit hard by a barrage of school and community complaints about their recent "Lewd and Lascivious" humor edition of the CAMPANILE.

The issue, entitled the CAMPANAMOUNT, was taken by some parents, students and teachers as a slap in the face of good taste. One group of thirteen Paly students, in a letter to the editor printed in the PALO ALTO WEEKLY on May 22, declared that "We found no humor whatsoever in this year's 'humor edition' but found it instead to be disgusting and in poor taste." The letter also remarked that "The writers were very capable students who can do much better; they used terrible judgment in this edition."

Because of this and numerous other outcries and phone calls about the issue, Paly principal James Van took careful action. In a memo to the faculty senate Van stated, "The so-called humor edition...was personally offen-

sive and detrimental to many individuals, and generally was below the standards of taste and quality to which we have become accustomed...."

The CAMPANAMOUNT, a four-page issue, included on the front page an in-depth study of the death of a staff member's dog, a spoof on the malnutrition caused by the "swill" from the cafeteria, a picture of a burning Buddhist monk with the caption, "Great Day for a Bar-B-Q," and a sexual joke alluding to a proposed parking lot entrance. Another feature that drew criticism was a revealing picture of Bo Derek on the last page.

Also included in Van's memo was a set of actions to be carried out in order to prevent a recurrence. These included:

--The students involved in the production of the CAMPANAMOUNT apologize to those individuals who were personally offended by the paper.

--Those same students be banned from participation in the last or "Senior" issue

of the CAMPANILE this year.

--The faculty, administration, students and parents cooperate in setting up guidelines for future CAMPANILE actions.

--No humor edition be printed next year.

--A new journalism sponsor be found.

--The editors involved in the issue perform some sort of community project.

The decision to bar the editors from participation in the last issue has been rescinded. The advisor overseeing the CAMPANILE this year (and two years before that), Barry Bergstrom, resigned recently because of the tremendous work load he had been carrying and also because of a wish to spend more time with his family. According to co-editor-in-chief senior Art Fox, "Nobody has pursued the idea of public service, so nothing has come of it. As far as I'm concerned, the measures taken by Mr. Van are ineffectual and unsubstantial." Fox says that he apologized to four persons who felt especially slighted by the issue and that he didn't need the administration telling him "...when to apologize. I did that on my own."

Fox also stated that while past humor editions have been less full of obscenities, the CAMPANAMOUNT contained fewer direct personal attacks on faculty members. He concluded by reaffirming the fact that though he regretted the four articles considered "slandorous" by their respective subjects, "I don't regret the issue at all."

Lisa Piercey, the other co-editor-in-chief, responded to

## Fines implemented

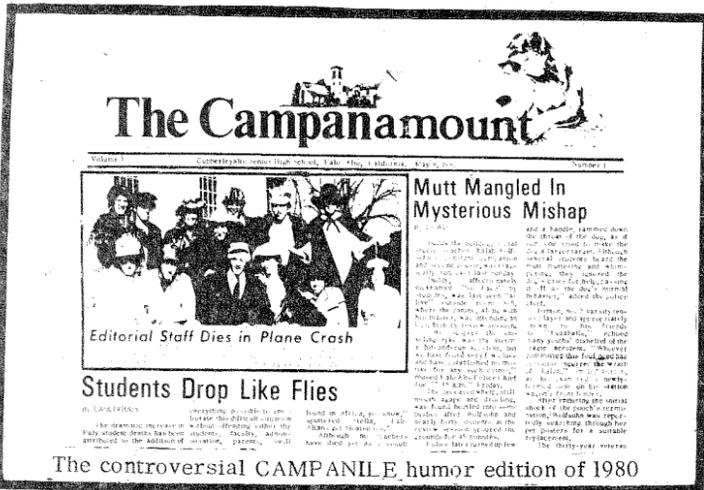
Gunn librarian Irene Seward has announced that beginning in September the library will be "implementing a fine system for overdue books because the response to overdue notices has been poor and the books just haven't been coming back." Regular overdue library books will cost five cents per day; overnight reference materials and magazines will cost twenty-five cents per day.

Seward said that about 533 students have over 1200 books "greatly overdue" right now. "The only way to get the books back is to charge a fine. It will be a lot of extra work for us." PTA volunteer parents will probably help with the new system.

According to Seward, the school board can legally give permission for the imposition of fines at a public school library.

Seward, who previously managed the Cubberley library, said that the problem of overdue books had been kept under control with the fine system at Cubberley. "We tried to do without it this first experimental year at Gunn, but it just didn't work." She went on to ask, "What good is it to have a security system to prevent people from stealing books when they can just check them out and never return them?"

On Monday, June 2, the library staff began taking "the first complete inventory in about four years. We will have to inventory the collection of 24,000 items, order replacements for lost items or additional copies, and make corrections." Seward went on to comment that she will probably be covered with a volcano of dust in the process.



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EDITORIAL

# Amphitheater not just for smokers

During the few hot days of spring we've had, I've found myself searching for the best area of campus to kick back in. You know, the kind of place with lush green grass covered by leafy oak trees to filter the burning sun, and away from the screaming traffic of Arastradero. I found that the amphitheater had all of these qualities plus some cement perches to sit on when the lawn was overwatered. I reclined on the grass and was overcome by the nauseous odor of tobacco smoke.

Some time last September, the amphitheater was converted into the smoking area to separate legal smokers from the illegal ones who gathered on the hill, Gunn's former smoking area. Our administrators felt that the amphitheater was the logical choice for smoking since many smokers had moved there on their own. By having the amphitheater used for smoking, one of the nicest sections of campus has been ruined for many people. This approach of hurting many people for the sake of a few must cease. Once again, a new smoking area should be selected.

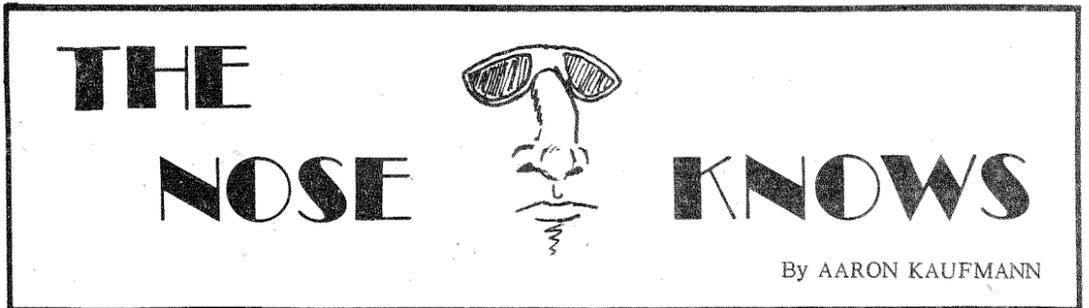
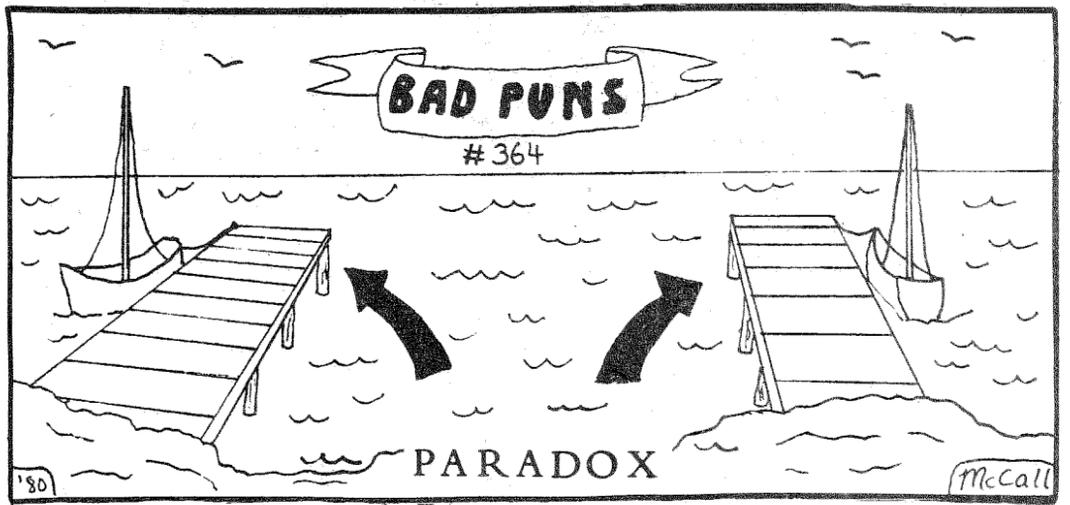
The qualifications of a smoking area are that it be close to the campus; not interfere with the normal campus procedures, and not be connected with drug overtones. After reconnoitering the campus, I have found several possible smoking areas. The best alternative is the unused parking lot behind the shop classes. Add a few benches and it would be quite nice. Other possibilities include the asphalt between the cafeteria and the portables, or the grass strip next to the road behind the science building. These are many other possible smoking areas around campus and a better one surely can be selected for next year.

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Mr. John Attig, in an attempt to break the post AP boredom, read the following spoof to his U.S. History class. Attig received it from Mr. Butler, who got it from the CCTE's impact, which was picked from the Sacramento UNION (2/26/78) and a partridge in a pear tree. So here it goes:

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Read each question carefully. Answer all questions. Time limit is four (4) hours. Begin immediately.

**HISTORY:** Describe the history of the papacy from its origins to the present day, concentrating especially, but not exclusively, on its social, political, economic, religious and philosophical impact upon Europe, Asia, Africa and the Americas. Be brief, concise, and specific.

**PUBLIC SPEAKING:** Some 2,500 riot-crazed aborigines are storming the classroom. Calm them. You may use any ancient language except Latin or Greek. You will be videotaped.

**BIOLOGY:** Create life. Estimate the differences in subsequent human culture if this form of life had developed 500 million years earlier, giving special attention to its probable effect on the English parliamentary system. Prove your thesis.

**SOCIOLOGY:** Estimate the sociological problems that might accompany the end of the world. Construct an experiment to test your theory. Use charts if appropriate.

**POLITICAL SCIENCE:** There is a red telephone on the desk beside you. Start World War III. Report at length on its socio-political effects, if any are experienced.

**ENGINEERING:** The disassembled parts of a high-powered rifle have been placed on your desk. You will also find an instruction manual printed in Swahili. In ten (10) minutes a hungry Bengal tiger will be admitted to the room. Take whatever action you feel is appropriate. Be prepared to justify your decision.

**ECONOMICS:** Develop a realistic plan for refinancing the national debt. Trace the pos-

sible effects of your plan in the following area: Cubism, the Donatist controversy, the wave theory of light, the automobile industry. Criticize this method from all possible points of view. Point out the deficiencies in your point of view, as demonstrated in your answer to the latter part of this problem.

**PHYSICS:** Explain the nature of matter. Include in your answer an evaluation of the impact of the development of mathematics on science.

**PHILOSOPHY:** Sketch the development of human thought, and estimate its significance. Compare with the development of any other kind of thought.

**MATHEMATICS:** If  $x$  equals  $\pi$  times  $r$  squared, construct a formula showing how long it would take a fire ant to drill a hole through a dill pickle, if the length-girth ratio of the ant to the pickle were 98.17:1.

**MEDICINE:** You have been provided with a razor blade, a piece of gauze and a bottle of Scotch. Remove your appendix. Do not suture until your work has been inspected. Allow yourself no more than five (5) minutes for this.

**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** Describe in detail. Be objective and specific. Abbreviations are permitted. You will be graded for punctuation and grammar.

**Briefs:**

**Question of the Month:** Is there life after a Who concert? Yes, but you don't realize it for three days.

**Student Joke of the Month:** How do you drive a Cubberley person nuts? Put him in a round room, and tell him there is a joint in the corner. (Please don't beat me up. I went to Cubberley. The joke was made up by a student, who wishes to stay unidentified.)

**Joke of the Month:** What goes ha, ha, ha, ha...thump? Someone laughing his head off.

**Runner Up Joke of the Month** (As told by Mrs. Cushing of the English department): Why did Mt. St. Helens blow up? She forgot to take her earth control pills. (Mr. Attig add-

ed to the joke with, "When she blew up she made a real ash out of herself.")

Well, it's time to say goodbye. I would like to wish the best of luck to the Class of '80.

I would like to thank all my teachers for giving me good grades, instead of the ones I deserve. (At least I hope they will.)

I would like to thank the editors, who have cut out all my great jokes.

I would like to thank the readers who put up with my column. And now I would like to stop writing, so Bye-Bye and enjoy...

## Letter to the editor

Editors:

As present students of Gunn High School, we are concerned with the insensitive manner in which the PAUSD School Board received our grievances. On the night of April 8th, 1980, the School Board held its bi-weekly meeting in which we presented for review, forty petitions totaling 800 student signatures from the Gunn High School student body, who were concerned about the reassignment of Mr. Ralph Galloway, dean of students, to a teaching position. The school board did not exert the courtesy of requesting to review the petitions. We offered to copy the forty petitions, but never received any encouragement from any of the school board members. At the previous school board meeting on March 18, 1980, 13 people, including teachers, parents, and a number of students, spoke in defense of Mr. Galloway, obviously to no avail, as at the beginning of the Open Forum, Mrs. Joan Johnston, Chairperson of the Board, verbalized that a reconsideration of their decision concerning Mr. Galloway's case was very improbable, and "urged us to be very cautious in our remarks about other people."

As a part of the student body, we feel that our elected officials are not fulfilling their responsibilities to their public as our board of education.

Pamela Conlon  
Marion McCandless  
Gunn Students

# Seriously, Folks



By Marsh McCall

This summer will be unique in that I will be taking care of a car by myself for the first time. My mother will give me some pointers--my father knows NOTHING about car engines, or anything else more complicated than a can opener. Before replacing light bulbs he always consults the manual. The other day I asked him what the function of a carburetor was. "Why...errr...it's essential...for the proper functioning of the engine." He tried to look wise. I thanked him and went to ask Mom, who explained it to me. Talk about role reversal. When the car's low on gas he'll drive home as quickly as possible so he'll get there before he runs out. Oh well. He has a nice smile. This summer I'm also going to write a best-selling novel.

Really. I read this great science fiction story about these destructive aliens who can read our minds and therefore guess our every move, and the story has inspired me to write a novel about destructive robots who can read our minds and therefore guess our every move. The fact that it's been done before doesn't bother me. My uncle wrote all my columns in 1948.

But enough of that. Serious congratulations are in order to the ORACLE staff--the talented journalists from Cubberley and Gunn who, after the first few thought-filled days, learned to work together harmoniously and productively, with no thoughts of divided loyalty to more than one school or more than one paper. And thanks to our peerless editors, with-

out whom this would have been possible. (What?) That's about it. See you next year.

P.S. I will go out with anybody this summer for a dollar.

**NEWS BRIEFS**  
\*CONGRATULATIONS TO ROY HARRISON, who has not had his name in print for thirteen years. Only three more days and Roy will beat the world record for not having one's name in print. So good luck, Roy!

\*English teacher Timothy Farrell today claimed that he once saw a ten dollar bill, though he will not say where. Stressing the fact that no other teacher at Gunn has ever seen that much money at one time before, Farrell went on to claim that he has seen several five dollar bills at had touched one once.

# Art Farmer appreciated

By JON CHIN

The phrase, "Quiet down, people," usually signifies a beginning of another day in Art Farmer's physics class, with one more of his thought-provoking lectures.

Born and raised in upstate New York, Farmer graduated from the local Rensselaer Polytechnic University, majoring in both physics and hypersonic aerodynamics (the study of space vehicles). He then moved to the West Coast and worked 6 years as a research scientist for Lockheed Missile and Space Research. His six years with the firm included a year study of reactors in flight, or the analysis of nuclear vehicles taking persons to the moon.

It was when he was just setting himself into the field of technical management that Farmer's former wife, Barbara, past head of the Gunn language department, thought it better that he have his summers more available for vacation. Through her encouragement, Farmer acquired teacher's credentials from San Jose State. This turned out to be the beginning of a very promising and unique career for Farmer.

Farmer first began teaching science at Woodside High. He stayed for 1 year, during which time he taught physics and general science courses. After his short stay, Farmer was transferred to Cubberley High School. At Cubberley, Farmer himself designed the

physics building with its circular labs, "making it more convenient for both students and I to work." Also during his thirteen years at Cubberley, Farmer taught geometry and physics classes, and coached the school's tennis team during the '70-'71 season. Farmer probably would have remained at Cubberley had the school not closed last year. He is almost as happy at Gunn as he was at Cubberley, since "a number of my colleagues who also taught there have transferred over here along with me."

His interests do not end with the sciences; he has visited every continent with the exceptions of Australia and Antarctica. There are rumors circulating that he has been chased by wild water buffalo. Farmer also relishes the outdoors; mainly camping, hiking, and animals. He has a liking for such things as concerts, operas, plays, and the "breathtaking" culture of San Francisco. Farmer is also active in city government, and as head of the Coalition of Home Owners Groups, he must attend many City Council meetings.

Farmer believes that everyone should be exposed to physics because the basic principles of the science are applicable in everyday life. "It's necessary for students to know both the physical, such as the whys of wearing a seat belt, and the economical aspects, for instance the performance of one's stereo set." With this

approach, physics was expanded from a mere two classes to nine, now with 10% to 70% of the student body taking it as an elective.

Farmer's main goal of teaching his students in an enjoyable, yet educational subject, is his Friday Assignment. This device is his means of instructing his pupils the basic principles of physics. This composes four sections: the sketch, the object, the situation of the application, and an explanation of how it applies to the given principle. Farmer sees the assignment as a direct transfer from the classroom to the outside world, and how the students can apply it properly in their lives. In short, he says, "No average student is really interested in using too much math in thier science courses, so this is my way of attempting to interest them in the subject, without forcing them."

In fact, Farmer has heard many they've applied physics in their lives as a result of the course. With the guidance of Farmer, one Advanced Placement student placed first in the state competency physics test last year. Farmer is also credited with helping another AP student, Ken Hooper, who placed third in the same state competency physics test this year, representing Gunn High School.

Farmer summed up his reasons for why students should enroll in classes such as physics. "This is a technological world, based upon the sciences. With scientific knowledge, it should better help students in these modern ages."

So, if Art Farmer is your physics teacher, consider yourself fortunate. Also, if you have yet to take physics, do enroll, for who knows, you might be one of his many pupils who will generally learn the elements of the subject, as well as truly partaking in a captivating and worthwhile classroom experience, which will be forever valuable to your lifetime.

## GUEST OPINION

# Schools sexist?

Sexism in public schools across the country presents a real problem, worth resolving.

Sexism appears most obviously in nursery and elementary schools. Many teachers encourage girls to confine themselves to the doll corner where they can play house and perform typical, daily chores. Boys are persuaded to involve themselves with building blocks, trucks, and other constructive forms of amusement. By age four, girls are aware of their "place" in society. Those girls who find their way to the boys' spot, boys who play with dolls--are they disturbed children?

The average U.S. history book devotes about one out of 60 pages to women. Girls in elementary or junior high school could easily conclude that women have made no significant contributions in history, science, or mathematics. This sex-labeling can only limit aspirations and motivations of young girls.

Emphasis on boys' athletics and lack of encouragement (at an early age) for girls only stunts the development of athletic skills.

So far most of the educational administrations have shown little or no concern over sexist discrimination in education. Either the public has little knowledge of these problems, or look upon this as a mere joke.

"Act like a lady!", "Big boys don't cry!", "You're just a girl," "Whose daddy is a doctor?" --Dick and Jane--sexists??

Julia Eisenthal  
Reporter



I've noticed lately that Palo Alto seems to be a decade or two behind the times...I mean, what's 'in' in Palo Alto? Let's face it--entertainment here consists of a drive-in followed by Burger King, or a hot night in the town at Mother's disco. Palo Alto has reached a new low in mediocrity--if the truth be told, life in our town is simply passe.

In case you aren't aware of it (and you probably aren't), the seeds of an already established trend have been planted here. Hopefully, it will relieve the boredom. I recently came in contact with the underground punk movement here...He was a sad case; the purple streaks were almost vanished from his hair, which had already exceeded its regulation quarter-inch length.

"Look," he complained to me, "this place is a desert. I rode in here on the crest of the New Wave, expecting to join others in the Revolution. Instead, I find my cause practically unknown. I ask some girl to Pogo, and she says, 'Are you kidding?! I haven't done that since third grade!'"

"There just ain't no punks in this town...well, on second thought, not the right kind. We are discriminating folk, you know--no hicks in our crowd. Just scruffy, vicious, obnoxious punks."

Following that semi-tirade, the poor demented soul stumbled off, tugging nervously at the rusty safety pin skewering his left earlobe. Trailing behind him was a pack of equally tattered animals. Sud-

denly, one turned around and began yelling something. Too late I realized that these whimpering, whining beasts were actually members of Genus punkus. (A ferocious tribe of Neanderthal descended from sub-Andershan man, Genus punkus is centered in London, but has recently extended to the U.S., where it is multiplying rapidly. Due to remarkable similarities between the two groups, the so-called "Rock Reformers" and these evolutionary rejects live in a mutually satisfying symbiotic relationship."

At the sound of the howl, the whole group began closing in on me. Surrounding me, they started screeching some sort of tribal chant (curious in its resemblance in rhythm (?) and sound to one of Johnny Rotten's monstrosities). Quickly taking stock of the situation, I reasoned that my only chance was escape.

After bolting to the nearest department store, I took refuge in its comforting Muzak, and kept the animals at bay by alternately yelling "Disco, disco" and "Middle-class lives!" That drove them back, cringing, to their leader.

On further reflection, Palo Alto's OK. Kind of quaint, you know, with a refreshing peace and quiet. And the kids--well, they amuse themselves in clean, wholesome, all-American ways: going to movies, out for a hamburger, or, on special occasions, dancing at the local night-spot. Nicer kids you couldn't find.

Nothing like those crazy punks you read about in the newspaper.

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# Aloha Gunn

The skies were cloudy and the wind blew strongly, but these minor drawbacks didn't prevent the senior-sponsored Luau from becoming a success. True, these conditions do not fit the typical setting of an island feast where the warm, tropical sun beats down upon a Maui beach while the surf races up onto the sand and the pig is lowered into a smoldering pit, but this dismal day wasn't going to ruin such an anticipated event. Previous plans called for the Hawaiian festivities to be held outdoors in the amphitheater at Cubberley, but because of the unpleasant weather it was moved into the cafeteria. With the help of decorations ranging from palm trees to tiki torches, the atmosphere inside was very Hawaiian. Additionally, the overall crowd was decked out Hawaiian style and complimentary leis hung around their necks which made one feel that he was about to be approached by Don Ho cooing "Tiny Bubbles."

The dinner, furnished by Chef Chu, consisted of sweet and sour pork, mixed vegetables, fried rice, melon, and fortune cookies. Sighs of "YUM" and "This really hits the spot," were overheard as people were mingling and munching their meals.

Spirits were high and the excitement intense as the Del Pompadors began to set up their band on stage. As they belted out their first be-bop tune, girls grabbed guys and vice versa as couples began to twist and shimmy to the beat. Most of the songs were familiar 50's

style music by Elvis Presley, the Beach Boys, and many others. The jiving Del Pompadors also included some hit songs of today by the Divine Miss M (Bette Midler) and the Pretenders, while the crowd was rocking and rolling.

Senior class president Jamie Lewis was really happy with the outcome of the event. "When we planned the Luau we had in mind something that would just be a fun experience for the students and not necessarily a fund raiser, but as it turned out it proved to be really profitable," reported Jamie. She said that the profits are earmarked either for grad night at the Clairmont in Berkeley or for the senior class gift. Jamie also mentioned that a lot of people helped make this event possible by donating their time and effort, especially Karen Okner.

Student activities director Larry Hull expressed pleasure at the size of the turnout: about 400 students.

"I felt that the senior class was more interested in establishing a tradition than in making money," stated Hull. Hopefully the senior classes of years to come will take this into consideration, because not only was it a fun way to spend a Friday night but it also brought in extra money for the senior class.

The general opinion of the Luau-goers can be summed up by a comment made by junior Rachel Levi: "I had a wild time and it was definitely the best school function that I have ever attended!"



By NANCY WHITAKER

## What were your most memorable moments in high school?

**Djina Weiner:**  
Mr. Robertson's art class in my sophomore, junior, and senior years was a memorable experience with Meg, Tracy, Karen, my egg, Karen's birthday cake, Mr. Robertson's tuna sandwiches, and all Tracy's stunning still lifes. Cubberley's soccer team 1978-79 was the best team in the league with the wankest coaches, but we had so much fun. But school in Israel was the best this year because there's nothing like tomatoes during your lunch break or having a camel interrupt class.

**Kris Naegeli:**  
I'll never forget Cathy Barrow and all the crazy things we did, like dressing like bunnies on Easter and paw prints at Paly. The great softball teams I've been on: this year's because the people were so great and last year's because we made second in league. The day they told us Cubberley was going to be closed and we had a big assembly; that was so sad. Playing Powder Puff for the first time here at Gunn has been so much fun. Going to the beach with Cubb's softball team last year: I'll truly never forget when Sarah did a spread eagle on the beach. And getting together with Friedle in Feb., 1979.

**Matt Passell:**  
I'll never forget the basketball game against Peterson when they walked out. My



Djina Weiner



Kris Naegeli



Matt Passell



Susie Herrick

4th period English class last year with Mrs. Irvin was outrageous, because we did rowdy things like giving standing ovations to the attendance girls. I'll never forget Cubberley, especially sitting in the amphitheatre during lunchtime. Coming to Gunn was an experience, being in Senior Frolics, making a fool out of myself, going to center quad beach with Carlos and meeting a chubby tennis player with a beard and a fat lower lip. I'll always remember Hans and his great pep talks; they really got us "jacked up."

**Susie Herrick:**  
I'll always remember being on the Palo Alto Youth Council

because we finally got the tri-school off the ground, and being on the transition committee, discussing how we could welcome Cubberley. The time I tried to kick something into the garbage can in center quad and my kind of tight pants ripped right down the front. Also someone untied my wrap-around pants at school and they practically fell off. One time I hit my toe on the stairs in L14 and the administration acted like it was a national emergency. I hated getting up at 5:30 every morning in my sophomore year just to curl my hair and put on so much make-up, just to get to Driver Education in time, and falling asleep in class.



## Mrs. Cavender to retire

Gunn's student body and faculty will suffer the loss of their loved auditor next year. After 8 years of faithful service to Gunn, Jeanne Cavender is about to retire.

Cavender has enjoyed her work at Gunn very much, but all the same she looks forward to retirement and the relaxed life ahead. After school is out she will migrate to Clear Lake with her husband, their 14-year-old son, Rod, and their two dogs. She plans to enjoy the outdoor life at Clear Lake with boating, golf, and tennis.

Cavender was raised and schooled in Iowa. As a vacationist she traveled to southern California during World War II and decided to remain. She came to Palo Alto in 1951 and ten years later started work for the school district at Terman Junior High, where the man who was to become her husband, Robert Cavender, was serving as principal. After working at Terman for nine years and Fremont and Nixon elementary schools for two years, she came to Gunn in 1972.

At Gunn Cavender is well-liked by both students and faculty. Student Activities Director Larry Hull states that "there is a mutual love between Jeanne and the students here. To some students she's more of a counselor than an auditor."

The student activities office will be a different place next year without Jeanne Cavender.

## Gunn 'lights' up

By ROBIN BRANN

Excellent characterizations and fine suspense and dramatic qualities helped make "Gaslight," the Gunn Highlighters' final production this year, a very successful one.

Presented May 22-30, "Gaslight" illuminated much of Gunn's acting talent, while also offering the twisted plot of a good Victorian thriller.

The play revolves around Bella Manningham, a young woman whose husband is mentally tormenting her, diverting her attention so that he is free to search the upper floors of their London house for the priceless Barlow rubies.

Senior Carolyn Ortenburger was very believable as the anguished Mrs. Manningham, playing the character with a distressed, whining voice and appropriate nervous energy.

As her husband, senior David Arrow brought strength and forcefulness to Mr. Manningham. It was possible to see the embittered evil in his eyes, and although Arrow lost some

of his character's desperation, Manningham's austerity and cruel deviousness with Bella ignited tension throughout the play.

Junior David Chrisman added a touch of Sherlock Holmes to "Gaslight" as retired police inspector Rough. Complete with bristly grey muttonchops and a double breasted London Fog, Chrisman was easily accepted by the audience as the man who would save Mrs. Manningham from her husband's evil doings.

Caroline Paddock was very amusing as Nancy, the sassy, saucy maid whose highly rouged cheeks and haughtiness succeeded in getting her several long embraces with Manningham. Paddock, a senior, delivered her lines with perfect insolence, making her the maid you'd most love to hate.

Portraying the pouty-faced, well-padded maid Elizabeth, junior Janet Sandell well conveyed loyal strength in helping her mistress, as well as quivery reserve with her mas-

ter, a nice contrast to Paddock's Nancy.

The concluding scenes of "Gaslight" were especially well done. There are a few suspenseful moments as Rough confronts Manningham, reviewing the facts of the case and arresting him for the long-ago murder of Alice Barlow.

Manningham is tied with a velvet cord by policemen John Good and Bob Harrison. Carolyn Ortenburger gave the final scenes an excellent finish when, after asking to speak with her husband alone, she nearly sets him free. Brandishing a razor against Manningham's adam's apple, Ortenburger releases her tension, showing her inner strength and energy. Shaking her husband and madly dashing about the room, she held the audience completely.

The Highlighters should be commended for an excellent set. Antique furniture, including a beautifully carved secretary, set the mood nicely, as did the rich glow of the gas lamps on stage.

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# PAUSD merger in retrospect

## Gunn merger successful

By MARK WEISS

When the decision was made to merge Cubberley High School with the district's other two secondary schools for the 1979-1980 year, there was much apprehension as to how smoothly Palo Alto Unified School District's most controversial revenue-saving scheme would work.

Critics feared that former Cubberley students would develop an apathetic, disinterested attitude towards their new school while original members of a given school might bear hostility towards "golden clad invaders" so as to prevent the normal functioning of a high school.

Fortunately, these fears proved to be fictional as in 1979-1980 Gunn High School completed a prosperous year and the Gunn-Cubberley merger appeared to be a success.

"The Gunn kids have been so charitable," stated vice-principal Frank Seeley. "They've understood the emotional feelings the Cubberley kids hold towards their former school." He pointed to the fact that Cubberley students are able to wear their gold school T-shirts without facing any criticism from original Gunn students.

"They've (Gunn kids) been marvelous," continued Seeley. "I admire them." He also

was pleased that ex-Cubberley students developed loyalties to their new school while retaining fond feelings about their former school.

Seeley also feels that the two teaching staffs have combined successfully to produce an efficient team of educators.

"They're happy and well accepted by their colleagues" said he of the relocated teachers. "They've found a good niche at Gunn." Seeley points out that many of the department heads are from Cubberley and that three of the five top administrative spots at the school are occupied by former Cubberley employees.

There were many controversies and conflicts in tradition that had to be settled over the course of the year. For example, at Cubberley it had been traditional to select both a Homecoming Queen and a King, while at Gunn it had previously been the custom to elect queens and princesses who would pick their own male escorts. Event organizers deliberated over this issue before finally deciding to use the King-Queen format. (Incidentally, two former Cubberley students were selected to play those roles.)

Another problem arising in connection with Cubberley student relocation was the long bi-

cycle rides which many students had to endure in order to reach Gunn. Many felt it unfair that students who had lived within walking distance of their school must now leave a half hour earlier in the morning to allow for the long bike trek.

However, Seeley points out that Gunn-district junior high students face a similar situation in biking to Wilbur and that, before Gunn was built, high school students living in the now-Gunn district had to bike to Palo Alto and Cubberley high schools.

Aside from minor controversies, the merger with Cubberley enriched the curriculum and lifestyle at Gunn. The athletic program was influenced greatly by the addition of former Cougar coaches and students and compiles one of its most successful campaigns ever.

Activities such as Senior Frolics seemed foreign to Gunn originally but will undoubtedly become tradition in future years.

In general, the initial year of the Cubberley-Gunn merger was not wrought with ill-feelings and problems but instead brought to Gunn new friends and new experiences which will prove beneficial to the community of Palo Alto.

# Growth experience for Paly students

By LINDA WILCOX

The year 1979-1980 has been a difficult one for Palo Alto High School. Many feel that the merger has been a very painful experience.

Of course, others feel just the reverse. This seems to be just one of the disagreements impeding the formation of a new school community, where everyone should at least feel a part of the whole.

One former Cubberley student, junior Liz Gioumouis, commented, "I don't believe the merger has gone all that well. A lot of people are settling in, but most people I know would definitely say they preferred Cubberley and wish they were back there."

Senior Andrea Alexander, also a former Cubberley student, thinks Paly students should've put more effort into the merger. "They've had no compassion or understanding for our situation -- they've never gone through what we have."

She thinks, in common with many others, that a "give and take" atmosphere is essential for good relations rather than the Cubberley students always giving in.

Paly students disagree that the merger has not gone well. "I think it's been fantastic," exclaimed senior Marguerite Wilbur. "I'm really glad that there are a lot of new people at our school. It's made it a lot more fun for me."

Kim Love is one Paly student who also attended Cubberley for one year. "I think the merger has gone really well. I liked Cubberley a lot, but knowing people from both

schools has made it better for me. I noticed at first Paly people didn't want to accept the Cubberley people, but they have now. Things do take time."

Principal James Van attributes the success of any merger to two things: the conscious specific steps taken designed to promote a successful integration, and time. "Good interpersonal relations require trust. It takes a certain amount of time to develop that trust."

He says the merger has been a growth process. "The pattern is different now. Neither sets of student bodies are the same. I think we've all changed in many ways through new friendships and interpersonal relations." Van also thinks most of the students are basically the same--"I don't see any differences between Cubberley and Paly students."

With so many differing opinions, it's impossible to generalize about the "success" of the merger. A consolidation cannot be evaluated collectively; it's an individual matter. Some may have merged very well, while others may not have merged at all. Some people, quite unconsciously, may have resisted the merge for reasons unknown.

Whatever the feelings about the merger, people seem to agree on one thing: it was a real learning experience, one that gave people exposure to the type of human relations problems that have plagued not only Paly but the world as well.

\*\*Linda Wilcox is a Paly student who attended Cubberley last year.

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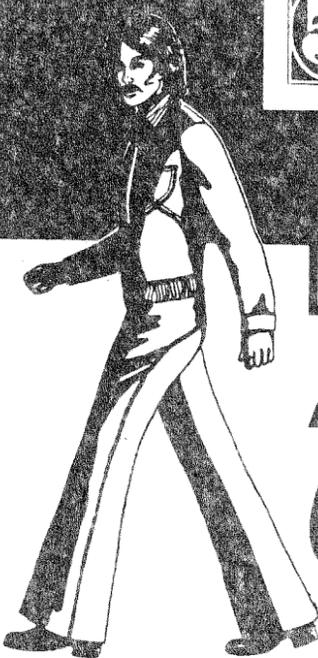
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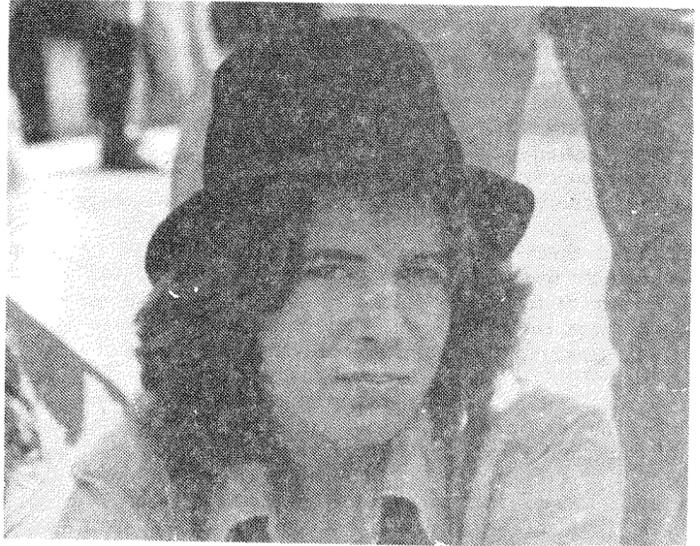
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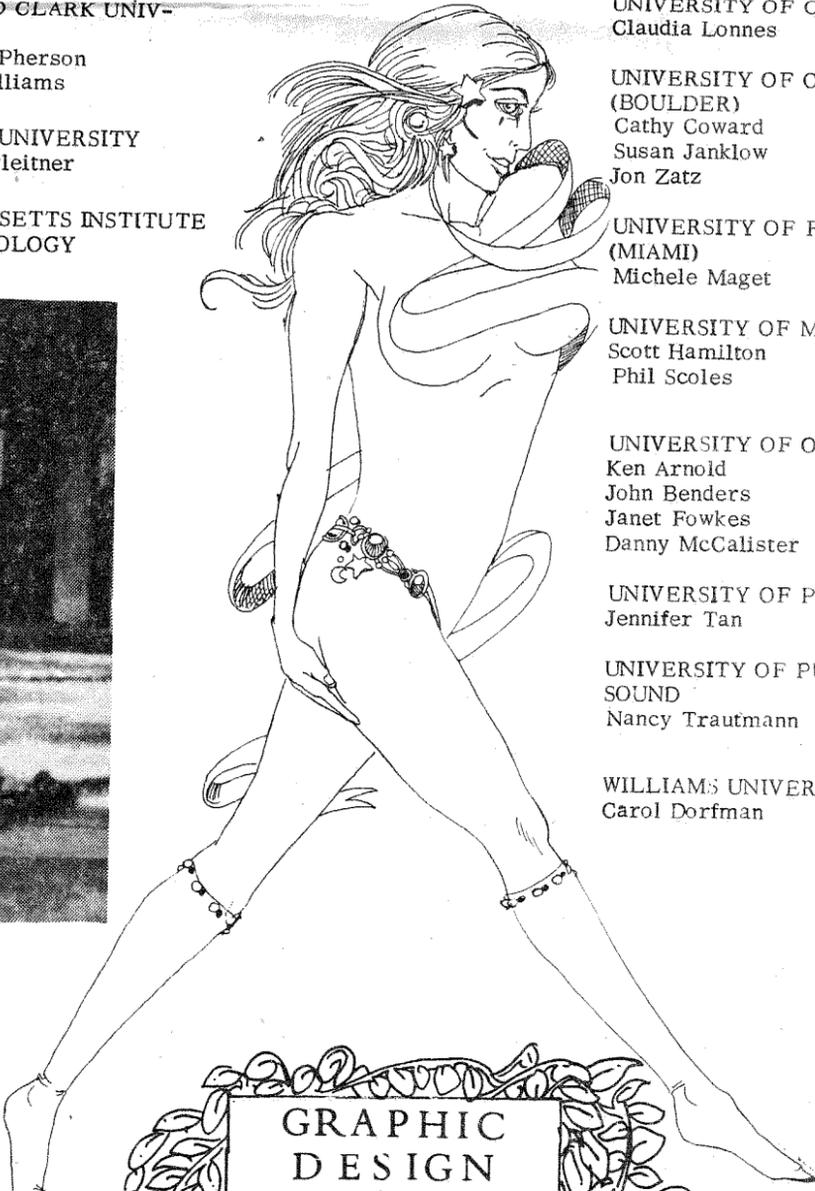
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# Outstanding athletes crowned

By WILLIAM MITCHELL

One of the most exciting sections of Spring Sports Award desserts is the crowning of the men and women Athletes of the Year. This year was unique in that there were co-winners from both sexes. This allowed winners from both Cubberley and Gunn. Crowned Queens of the Year were Denise Allen and Dena Herrington. The male royalty were Danny McCalister and Matt Passell. The honored nominees for the awards were Dave Campbell, Dave Cowell, Vaughn Manns, Cathy Jensen, Pam Birkel, and Stephanie Hahn.

Denise Allen has been a standout player in volleyball, basketball, and softball ever since her freshman year at Cubberley. She has won numerous MVP awards while being selected as a 4-year all-leaguer in volleyball and a 3-year all-leaguer in both basketball and softball (Varsity

sports only). Denise has turned down a couple of volleyball scholarships, deciding instead to play ball for the Cal bears.

Last week she was practicing for next year's season by playing with her winter league team in Canada. There they won first place in the Can-Am games.



Denise Allen

Dena Herrington also played four outstanding years. Her three major sports are volleyball, soccer, and softball. Dena played some exceptional vol-

leyball this season which helped Gunn's team to a 3rd place CCS finish and to 2nd in the SCVAL. She came up a very close second to Denise Allen for MVP of the team. From volleyball, Herrington helped spark the Titans' soccer team to place second in the league behind the eventual CCS champions. Playing fullback, she was a terror to all opposing forwards. Coach Little awarded her the Coach's Award and she has won all-league honors in this sport in the past. In softball, Herrington played left field and was named all-league honorable mention and was a valuable member of the team.

Matt Passell has excelled in cross country for three of his four years. He helped Cubberley's teams to win back-to-back league titles. Dropping cross country this year to practice for basketball, his missed season paid off. Passell was called the "quarterback" of the



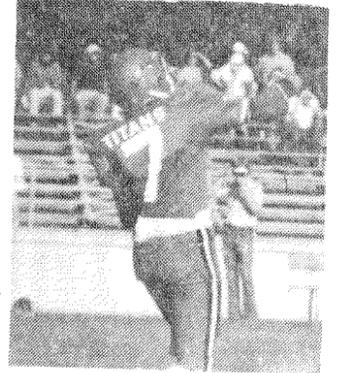
Dena Herrington

team. He led the league-winning Titans to a #2 rating in the CCS and a 7th place finish in the CCS tournament. Passell wasn't granted all-league status because he was sick part of the season but he was appointed to an all-mid-peninsula team. Coach Delannoy awarded him the Mr. Titensity trophy.

Passell was also an accomplished trackster. He high-jumped to a 4th place finish in league while running to the 6th place spot in the 120 highs. Passell also placed 2nd in the low hurdles. For his efforts, Passell was awarded the MVP award. Gunn's team placed 2nd

ter received a 4-year scholarship to the University of Oregon where he will play either D-back, Q-back or both for the Ducks. McCalister also played basketball for the Titans, where he amazed all viewers with his jumping ability and quickness. He played small forward and could score and rebound quite easily. Although he might have been over-

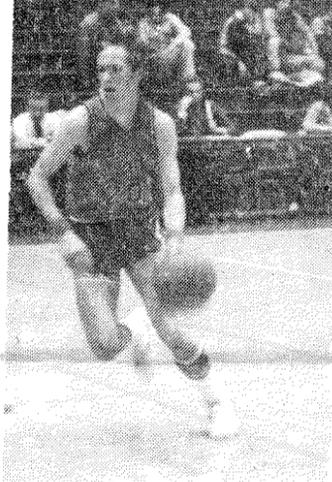
in the league. Danny McCalister quarterbacked Gunn's football team. He also ran as a runningback and played defensive back. He was once again selected to the all-league team. McCalis-



Danny McCalister

shadowed by senior Vaughn Manns and junior Kent Lockhart, he was an integral part of the team. This was so noted by his winning the defensive Player of the Year in basketball and most importantly by winning the Coveted Athlete of the Year award.

The Athlete of the Year award has for years been one that has honored students for their athletic prowess and their academic excellence. This year we were lucky to honor four deserved students whose dedication to Gunn and Cubberley sports while maintaining good grades has made these two schools exceptional.



Matt Passell

## Spring sports phenomenal

The 1980 Spring Sports Awards banquet recognized half of the spring sport teams as league champions. Singled out for special tribute at the May 29 ceremony were the three teams which had won the prestigious CCS crown: boys' varsity tennis, girls' gymnastics, and boys' frosh-soph swimming.

The one-two punch of seniors John Saviano and Jay Miller received most valuable player awards for leading Gunn's varsity tennis team to their ninth CCS title in ten years. Sophomore Rick Arons, who kept the team's championship quest alive with a thrilling come-from-behind victory in the playoffs, was named Most Improved Player.

The girls' gymnastics team could hardly have taken the CCS championship without sophomore Helga Brown and juniors Kathy Casterson and Lisa Waltuch. It was Brown and Waltuch who were honored as MVP gymnasts with first and third all-around scores, respectively, during the league finals. Casterson garnered the Coach's Award.

And who said varsity teams always rule? The boys' frosh-soph swimming team topped their elders' feat of becoming league champs by earning the CCS title. Sophomore Todd Sleizer was named MVP for being the heart of the backbone of the aquajock squad.

The girls led the way this spring with league titles in both badminton and track. In badminton, number one doubles team Shari Bowles and Tina Morocco were honored as the team's key doubles players. Bowles won the Coach's Award while Morocco was named MVP. Sophomore sensation Karen Weinstein was the Most Improved Player on the squad as a result of capturing number two singles in the league finals and representing Gunn in CCS competition. In J.V. badminton, freshman standout Karen DeMoor received MVP honors and junior Dorian Fondahl was selected as the team's MIP.

Steaming hot from their fine finish in cross-country, the girls' varsity and J.V. track teams collected league titles. For the varsity, junior Karen

Gill won the Coach's Award and senior Pam Birkel and junior Marcy Mitchell the MVP. As for the J.V.'s, freshmen Tracy Mrazek and Mary Coenenberg won awards, Mrazek's being the MVP and Coenenberg the most improved.

The boys' golf and swimming teams also wound up the season as league champs. The outstanding performance of team leader Jeff Johnson led to his capturing the MVP award, while fellow senior David Lovingood received the Coach's Award.

In boys' swimming, seniors Dean Anderson and Steve Jones co-anchored Gunn to the league championship. Anderson won the coach's award for his fine performance, particularly his swimming the fastest 100 yards of his career on the last leg of the 400 yard relay during the SCVAL league meet. Jones was named Most Improved with his expertise in the breaststroke, currently second fastest in Titan history and a CCS qualifier. Sophomore Matt Maltz was named MVP, shining as the most outstanding swimmer from Gunn and establishing a section record time in the 200-yard freestyle races in CCS competition.

The girls' softball team, with the aid of juniors Nancy Whitaker, Sarah Young, and Anna Burchard, clinched an at-large berth in the CCS playoffs. Young was honored as MVP for her deadly consistent pitching, while Whitaker and Burchard took home MIP trophies. As for the J.V.'s, the coach's award went to sophomore Nancy Parker.

Both boys' varsity and frosh-soph track teams placed second overall in the league. Senior and CCS champion discus thrower Dave Cowell was given the coach's award, while fellow senior Matt Passell was a favorite for the MVP.

To cad the presentation of awards to the varsity team, junior Karlton Okamoto was unanimously chosen the Most Courageous, after his near-fatal spill in a pole vaulting event against Los Altos. Sophomores Tom Mell and Andres Fajardo were the distinguished frosh-soph spikers. Mell was named MVP, and Fajardo took home the coach's award.

Although the junior varsity gymnastics and tennis teams did not perform as well as their elders, there were recognized a few budding athletes for the future. In gymnastics the MVP award went to freshman Tamara Betz, and in tennis the MVP honors were given to sophomore Justin Clayton, as the most deliberate and precise player on the team.

Every losing team has a crop of stars. For Gunn's boys' baseball, those stars are senior Matt Keehn, who won the coach's award; junior Tony Mouton, named MVP for his powerful bat with a .396 league batting average; and junior Andy Flessel who wound up as Most Improved. The star of the future may be sophomore Todd Kjos who earned MVP honors in boys' frosh-soph baseball.

To round out the award ceremony, sophomore Edvins Puris was designated the most valuable player for boys' volleyball.

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The Junior-Senior Powder Puff football game was a game where the most exciting moment came during the second period when the fans were forced to avoid a barrage of water balloons.

All the scoring that occurred happened during the first 30 seconds when Nancy Krop fired a 15-yard pass to Lola Rockwell who then proceeded to outrun the entire junior linebacking crew for an additional 35 yards, giving the seniors a 7-0 lead.

After that outburst, the game settled down into a tough defensive battle. The strong wind played havoc on the arms of quarterback Krop, as well as the throwing of junior Anna Burchard.

The girls had practiced for

only two weeks prior to the contest, and this was evident during parts of the game. Defensive practice did however pay off for juniors Karen Crisler and Sara MacPherson as each got an interception.

The juniors mounted one drive late in the game, but it was halted by penalties and dropped passes.

One other highpoint of the contest was when fans were greeted with a sneak preview of some of next year's cheerleaders. The routines of the cheerleaders brought almost as many cheers as the game.

Junior Lori Bogard commented after the game, "I don't care if the fans enjoyed it (the game) but I know we had fun."

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# Netters earn spotless record

"Last year at this time on a gloomy day we (the tennis team) were looking at a red (signifying 2nd place) Central Coast Section trophy," remarked Titan coach Bob Bow at the spring sports awards desert two weeks ago. "Now we have the blue one!"

Gunn certainly did prove its right to the CCS first-place trophy by capping a 25-0 (7-0 in league) season with the de-

feat of Salinas High 5-2 at Seascape Country Club Courts in Aptos on May 22 in the section finals. Surprisingly, though, the final match was not the biggest challenge to the netters; that had come two weeks before when the Titans had to face arch-rival Los Altos in capturing the Santa Clara Valley Athletic League title, and Menlo School in the Region II semifinals, all in five days. Bow described the two 4-3

victories as "back-to-back matches I wouldn't want to go through again. That was some real good tennis. To be honest, I think it was downhill after that. Salinas just wasn't as tough." Indeed, the finals victory did not come as a surprise, seeing that the Titans had defeated Salinas earlier in the year, 5-2.

Another set of impressive back-to-back victories for the team came in mid-April when

Gunn first routed West Catholic Athletic League powerhouse Bellarmine 7-0 and then ousted defending CCS champion Carmel High 6-1. "I think that the team really was looking to avenge that loss (to Carmel in last year's CCS finals)," Bow remarked. "On the bus coming back from last year's finals, the guys really didn't enjoy being number two. So we really made the most of our opposition this year."

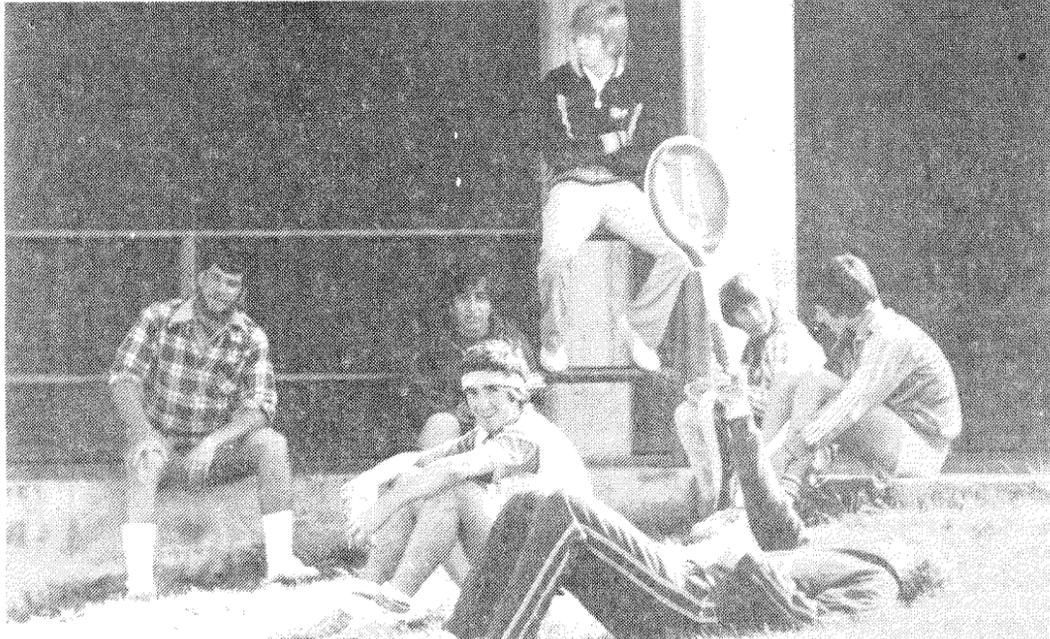
As was the case last year, the doubles teams had to be the foundation for the Titans' success this season. The two doubles sets combined for a 49-1 overall record. Bow described them as "superb. With Dave (Taber), Craig (Evans), Matt (Porteus), and Rich (Nielson) serving as the guts of our doubles, we were unbeatable."

The singles players had a tougher year. With seniors John Saviano, Jay Miller and Ken Arnold bearing the brunt of many of the top-ranked play-

ers in Northern California at No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3, freshman Ben Junta and sophomore Rick Arons each had banner seasons. Arons, at No. 5 singles and in his second year on varsity, had a 22-2 record with Junta going 20-2.

As far as the outlook for next year goes, the team, according to Bow, "will be different, but good. We'll have three seniors, three juniors, and two sophomores returning. I think we'll probably lead with Ben (Junta) and Rick (Arons)."

As the varsity paraded through its various victories, the junior varsity kept in step by repeating its SCVAL championship. "You can't quibble with success," stated Bow, "and if success is winning championships, they (the j.v.) have done it all." The team was led by sophomore Justin Clayton, who posted a 12-0 record at No. 1 singles, finished second in SCVAL junior varsity competition, and was the team's most valuable player.



The Gunn tennis team is back on top again after completing a 25-0 season and winning the section championship for the ninth time in ten years.

## Cowell leads tracksters

The running fever of the West Coast must have caught on at Gunn this year. How else can one explain the fact that approximately 90 boys went out at the beginning of the season in late February? This horde of tracksters gave Gunn one of its most interesting sets of meets in history and will certainly make head coach Hal Daner earn his vacation.

By now, of course, the field has thinned down considerably; in fact, it has narrowed to one person: senior discus thrower Dave Cowell, the only letterman to qualify for last week's State Meet in Berkeley. Cowell rebounded from an early-season back injury to win the SCVAL title as well as the Region II crown. He improved on last year's third place in Central Coast Section competition to claim the championship laurels on a day marked by blustery winds with a throw of 166' 10", about a foot less than his best.

The only other varsity spiker to be involved in the CCS meet was senior Jack Kurr, who placed eighth in the 3200 meters in a personal best time of 9:22. Kurr's consistent performances for the Titans throughout the dual meet season were the stronghold of the distance team.

Other impressive lettermen were seniors Matt Passell, Carlos Jones, and Charles Bostic. Passell, by far the most versatile member of the team, scored crucial points in the high and low hurdles and the high jump, and proved to be a key member of the mile relay squad. Jones gave the team the strength in the horizontal jumps that it needed to pick up many points. For most of the season he was on the CCS list of top marks with his personal best of 21' 10" in the long jump. Bostic was at the helm when it came to Titan sprints. Even

though the SCVAL is one of the quickest leagues in the CCS, Bostic was a first alternate in both the 100 and 200 meters for the section meet from Region II.

Two meets provided the highlights for the Titans' turbulent season. First, the confrontation with Los Altos on March 26 was cause for both joy and sorrow. The meet, which ended in a resounding 76 1/2-61 1/2 victory for the Titans, was brought about by a "total effort and output by everyone," stated Daner. The win, the first time in SCVAL history that Los Altos has lost to Gunn, dashed all memories of last year's bitter loss to the rival Knights which ended Gunn's hopes for the league championship. The distance tandem of Kurr, who was also SCVAL Cross Country champion and sophomore Kent Iglehart, who ran varsity for most of the year, gave Gunn a first and third in the two-mile, with Kurr leading the way, and a one-two finish in the mile with Iglehart hitting the tape in 4:45.2 on the way to obtaining essential points. The low point of the meet, however, came when junior Karlton Okamoto fractured his spine while pole vaulting and was rushed to the hospital. He is now in the middle of a painful recovery.

Indeed, the pole vaulting team, though crowded with a large number this year, had a fateful season. Senior Bo Preising was the group's top performer and was looking toward a high league placing before he was demobilized by a hamstring pull in mid-season. Todd Foglesong, the frosh-soph team's best vaulter at eleven feet, had his league title hopes dashed when he hurt his knee severely in practice.

The Paly meet also added excitement to the season. The

meet, which came down to the mile relay, was to serve as a gauge for the league champion. Junior Lowell Gibbs, whose 1:56 ranked as one of the best 880 times in the CCS for most of the season, had the dubious honor of running against the second place finisher in the CCS quarter mile, Rod Green. Gibbs almost pulled the task off, as he gained at least five grueling yards on Green during their quick duel. "It's too bad we couldn't be city champs," remarked Daner. "We really came so close to Paly (62 1/2-73 1/2), which is one of the best teams in the CCS."

The varsity squad, as well as the frosh-soph, finished a close second to Paly in the final league standings.

The frosh-soph, who had come in second to Paly during the dual meet season, hoped to pull off a victory in the league meet to clinch the final championship by moving down all the sophomores that had served so diligently for Daner in varsity competition. But the effort came to no avail.

Brad Elman was able to qualify for the Region II meet and threw ten feet better than his previous best in the discus, finishing an astounding second while being ranked a lowly 16th as well as attaining fourth place in the shotput. His placing in the CCS meet for shotput and discus was eighth and sixth, respectively.

Iglehart provided a distance double championship in the SCVAL meet in the mile and two mile, and a fine 2nd in the mile at CCS while dropping the two.

Sophomore Tom Mell, meanwhile, gave the team the bulk of its points in the dual meet season while performing in the sprints and 330 yard low hurdles. He also qualified for the CCS meet and won the league 100 meters.

## Tumblers win by 1.5

It takes an awfully strong team to go through an entire season without being beaten. That's what the varsity gymnastics team did. "Depth is what won us the championships," says junior Lisa Waltuch.

After taking the league title with a dual meet record of 11-0 and a first place victory in the league championships, the team headed to the CCS championships a couple of weeks ago.

When the results were in, Gunn came out victorious but with a very narrow margin over second-place Leland. Gunn led by only 1.5 points.

Two of Gunn's gymnasts finished in the top three all-around. Sophomore Helga Brown took second all-around as well as a first on balance beam. Junior Lisa Waltuch finished third all-around, and a third on beam.

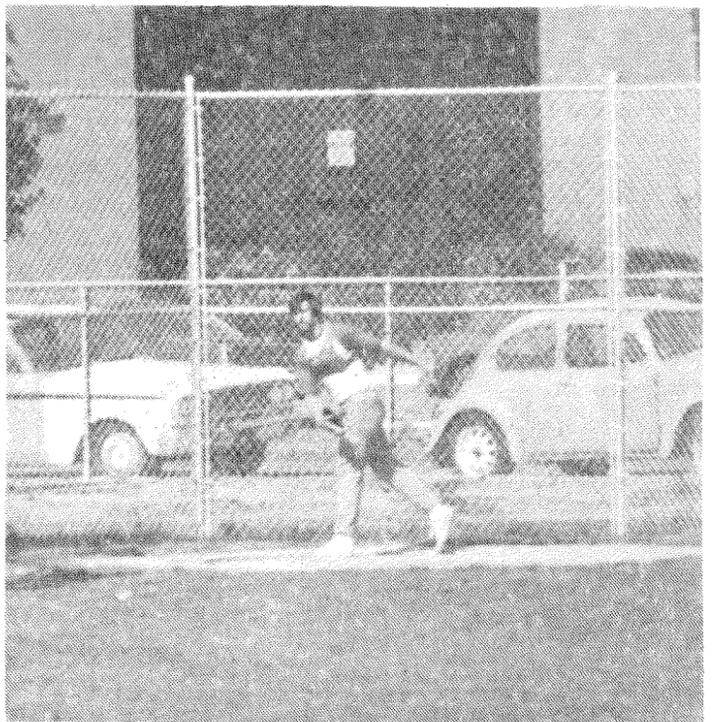
Other outstanding performances included senior Susan Janklow's fourth place on beam and freshman Jean Walsh's

fourth place on bars.

Coaches Shawn Finnigan and "Kurt" Benjamin were new to Gunn this year and did a terrific job with the girls. Finnigan plans to return to coach again next year, but Benjamin is going to compete herself for San Jose State's team.

This year's achievements were just amazing but the gymnasts are looking to do it again next year. With the graduation of four varsity gymnasts, Susan Janklow, Becky Pratt, Carol Dorfman, and Serena Clayton next year the task will be harder, but with returning gymnasts and hopefully strong incoming freshmen next year's chances for a championship look good.

The junior varsity team finished its season with a 3-5 dual meet record and is also looking forward to a good season next year. The junior varsity team is losing only Leslie Packard due to graduation and is hoping to recruit some incoming freshmen.



Dave Cowell captured the CCS discus title with a heave of 166' 10". (Photo by Elman)

# Mouton's blasts spark batsmen

By WILLIAM MITCHELL

This year's baseball team proved during its last four games that they could play with the cream of the league. Led by the bats of junior standouts Tony Mouton and Derek Stafford and tremendous determination by the rest of the team, the Titans ended their otherwise dismal season by taking 3 out of 4 games.

Although the Titans racked up a 5-11 record, they only managed to end up tied for 8th place with the highlight of the season being their trouncing of cross-town rival Paly High.

The Titans selected Tony Mouton as their MVP and very deservedly so. Mouton went on a home-run hitting tear, hitting nine in his last ten games including a majestic shot out of Gunn's field in his last at-bat. Mouton broke a long-standing record of 8 homers

during a single season. Mouton also hit for a very productive .396 clip while playing an impressive center field.

Other standouts were Stafford who hit .386 and played consistently at shortstop; and senior Phil Spitz, right fielder who came back from a slow pre-season to bat .345. Matt Keehn was honored with the coach's award for his play in left field and his hard hitting.

Coach Alhouse, understandably disappointed with the first part of the season, was delighted with its ending. He said, "The team showed the league that they could play ball." He also said that he is looking forward to next year. "Why?" one might ask. The answer is that with the return of a seasoned Mouton and Stafford to build a team around, plus the pitching of Tony Brown, Gunn High's team should return to the top of the league.



The varsity baseball team regrouped in mid-season and recorded victories in three of their final four outings.

# Softballers fall to eventual section champs Prospect

By JANET FOWKES

Although the girls' softball team started off slowly, they combined forces from last year's SCVAL powerhouse teams, Cubberley and Gunn, and came up with an impressive 13-3 record and second place in league.

The strong point of the team was their defense, with star pitcher and Most Valuable Player Sarah Young, leading the team to an at-large play-off berth in CCS. Unfortunately, the Titans drew Prospect High School, the number-one rated team in the section, and lost 5-0.

Among the handful of seniors leaving next year, the team will be most hard-hit by the loss of first baseman Denise Allen. Allen played three years of varsity softball, having started at first base on Cubberley's CCS runner-up team as a sophomore. Allen's back-up, senior Nancy Krop, will also be leaving, making the loss even more devastating.

A big chunk from the outfield, including centerfielder Stephanie Hahn, probably the most consistent player on the team, Dena Herrington, Kris Naegeli, and Sara Schmidt also ended their high school softball careers this season.

Another ailment for the squad will be the loss of team leadership as well as talent on third base when Jenny Lee graduates.

Despite the mass of players leaving, the team does have a bright future. Along with Young, sophomore superstar Kathy Schindler and phenomenal hitter junior Shauna McKinley--who had two back-to-back home-runs this season--will be key assets to the 1981 batters. This year's Most Improved Players, Nancy Whitaker and Anna Burchard, along with a flock of talent from the J.V. team, will also be back to help the Titans out.

# Awesome birdiers capture league, section honors

AWESOME. This word perfectly describes the Gunn badminton team and its incredible first-place finish in league dual-match play. The birdiers ended their season with a record, 17-1, that speaks for itself. The one loss that the team suffered at the hands of Paly was a close 4-3 decision.

"Our team motto of being 'awesome' really held true this season," praised Coach Adcock. "I was really proud of everybody."

CCS and SCVAL competition differ in badminton from that of other sports. The SCVAL match consists of a double-elimination tournament. The top 2 singles and doubles from this match go on to CCS. Here another double-elimination tournament is played. An individual school is not awarded the title of CCS champions; instead, a certain league is proclaimed #1 in CCS.

Members of the Titan bad-

minton team who made it to CCS were Lena Wang and Naomi Jimenez, who took 2nd doubles in the SCVAL match, and Karen Weinstein, who made 2nd singles in SCVAL. In the CCS match, Wang and Jimenez exhibited incredibly strong badminton skills to win first place in the doubles tournament. The SCVAL took first place in CCS, with the aid of Wang, Jimenez, and Paly superstar Meiling Yee, who won the CCS singles competition.

The Gunn badminton team will suffer next year because of the loss of 9 seniors: Wang, Tina Morocco, Shari Bowles, Berenice Donald, Mindy Loebner, Cindy Harris, Margaret Laurie, Sylvie Pellegrini, and Doreen Finkelstein. Yet in the words of Adcock, "I really have high hopes for next year. We have a lot of depth on our team, and with the aid of some J.V. players who are moving up to Varsity next year we should be right on top."

# Frosh-soph swimmers CCS champs

Powered by underclassmen, the Gunn swimming teams captured the SCVAL varsity crown and then shifted their strength to frosh-soph and captured the CCS title. The youthful aquajocks, losing only 4 seniors, look forward to an even more promising season next year.

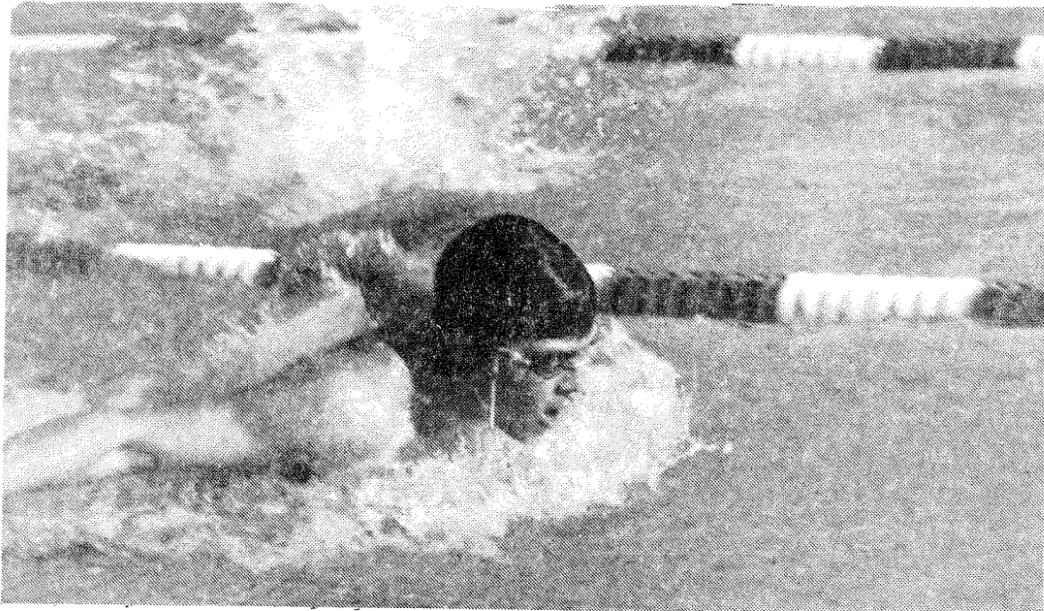
At the SCVAL league meet, the varsity, led by the superb coaching of Carol MacPherson, had a day of personal bests.

Seniors Steve Jones and Dean Anderson swam at their finest. Jones, who improved to become the second fastest breast-stroker in Titan history and a CCS qualifier, felt it was "a real team effort, everybody pulling for everybody else."

Matt Maltz shined as the outstanding swimmer from Gunn.

In CCS competition, Maltz, swimming on the frosh-soph level, captured both 200 free-

style races while establishing a section record time of 1:46.1 in the latter.



Sophomore Andy Kojane completed his second varsity season and then dropped to the frosh-soph level to help that team win the section championship.

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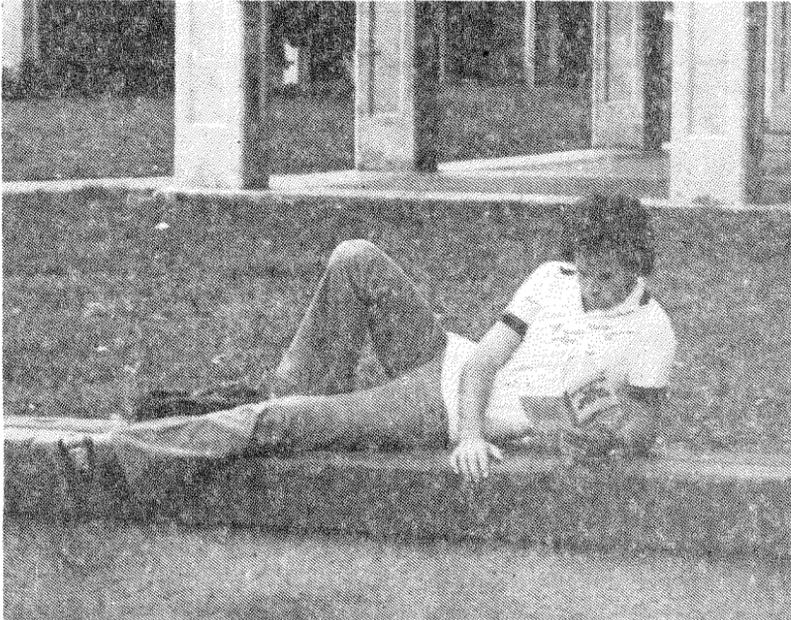
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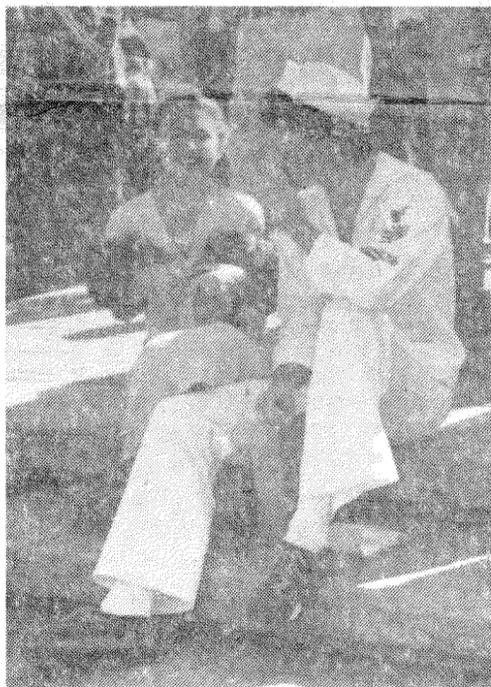
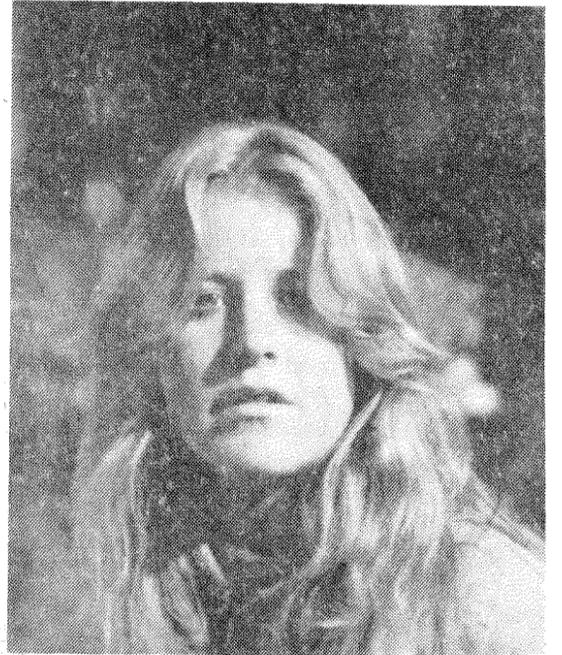
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# Bike theft haven

By CHRIS ROSCH

"Help! Someone has stolen my bicycle!" is a lament all too familiar to the ears of Dean of Students Ralph Galloway this school year.

A bicycle did not have to be a flashy red Motobecane racing bike to fall prey to the underhanded bicycle thieves. In fact, a number of the bicycles reported stolen were fathoms away from "good condition".

Since the beginning of the school year, bicycle thefts have continued at a steady rate despite administrative efforts to put an end to this nuisance.

Detective Jerry Gonzales of the Palo Alto Police Department reports that approximately 39 bicycles have been reported stolen from Gunn this year. It is estimated that significantly greater number have gone unreported.

Mopeds were also in great demand, though, as statistics show, less desirable since approximately 12-15 have been stolen. It should be noted by would-be thieves that the police consider a moped a motorized vehicle; theft of one is a felony. The consequences are like those for stealing an automobile.

Bicycles were stolen primarily for two reasons: (1) transportation (most commonly "joyriding"), and for the purpose of (2) resale value.

"Very few of the bicycles stolen are ever recovered," states Galloway. Most that have been recovered were found lying in bushes and roadside

ditches between the Gunn campus and the Veterans Administration hospital, discarded victims of joyriders and vandals.

While bicycle and moped theft was apt to be a one-man operation, vandalism on the other hand seemed to be group organized. This involved thieves actually performing their work with well equipped tool boxes. The rate of bicycle and moped vandalism reaches greater proportions than theft.

As one student cyclist stated, "Have you ever tried to ride your bicycle home four miles without pedals?" Parts in the greatest demand seem to have been pedals, derailleurs, seats, mirrors and gas caps on mopeds.

Some cyclists whose bicycles have been stolen have unintentionally asked for it. Leaving bicycles unlocked or parked around the portable buildings is an open invitation for the relentless thieves. Most thefts have occurred because students either have failed to lock their bicycles or have parked them in secluded spots on campus.

A good bit of advice for those planning to ride bicycles or mopeds to school next year comes from Hans Delannoy, who shares the responsibility of patrolling the bike cage and parking lot with Stan Wilson. According to Delannoy, the safest place to park a bicycle or moped will be either in the bike cage itself or chained to the side of the cage facing the parking lot. "There is the most foot and car traffic in this area,

making it difficult for someone to steal a bike without being seen," explains Delannoy. The bike cage was and will be locked next year at various times throughout the day, and several administrators will make it a point to stroll past the area daily in an effort to forestall thefts.

A reprimand or a slap on the hand hardly describes the action taken against someone caught or found guilty of a bicycle or moped theft. The administration and police view the matter seriously. Theft of a moped can result in an arrest and booking by the police, as was the case a short time ago. A student at Gunn was actually handcuffed and arrested on campus for stealing a moped that had been identified by its rightful owner. While the consequences of bicycle theft are not as dramatic or severe, it is just as serious in the minds of the administration, who would like to put an end to the problem once and for all.

Rather than involve the police in bicycle theft incidents, Galloway made an effort in each case to work out an agreement between the parents of both parties. If this was not possible, though, the theft was reported to the police.

What precautions can be taken to try and put a stop to this dilemma next year? The obvious one is to increase surveillance in the bike cage and bicycle lot areas. This will be difficult, of course. "It is hard to have the bicycles under constant surveillance," states Delannoy.



The Center Quad benches were decorated by three seniors on the morning of June 1. It took the artists from 4:30 to 7:00 AM; the finished product read "Class of '80." When asked what the motivation was for the masterpiece--prank or present--the seniors replied, "A little of both." Photo by Elman

## NEWS BRIEFS

A small thematic collection of books will shortly be donated to Gunn's library by the Breault family to commemorate the memory of Nellie McMillan Breault, mother of Gunn English teacher Pete Breault. The family decided to honor Mrs. Breault following her death in April at the age of 95.

The books are about and by Eleanor Roosevelt, a woman whose life and work were greatly admired by Mrs. Breault. Eleanor Roosevelt was a strong advocate of human rights and full rights for women.

On June 4, 1980, Gunn's Bat Cave became a subterranean cave. Approximately 100,000 gallons of water came up to

the first step.

Allegedly, two seniors and a junior obtained a fire hose, hooked it up to a fire hydrant and created Lake Gunn. It took the culprits roughly 3 hours to fill the Bat Cave not an easy task in light of the fact that a night watchman patrols at 3-hour intervals.

Classes at the Zohar School of Dance at 655 Arastradero Road are being offered for high school students who wish to attain additional P.E. credit. From July 14-August 23, daily classes will be offered in the jazz, ballet, and modern dance disciplines. The program, available to everyone at a cost of \$18.00, is directed by Nurit Cohen and E-hud Krauss.

Among the many special summer workshops will be those led by Carlos Carvajal, artistic director; and Carolyn Hauser, principal dancer, as well as Dance Therapy taught by Yona Klem.

More information and credit may be obtained from Coach Peters.

On Friday, May 30, an unpleasant smell, issuing from the library, spread over the campus. Bill Wenner, Gunn senior, had carried a skunk down from the hills in his backpack, releasing it in the library. The frightened rodent did what came naturally, and Wenner had to carry it out by its tail. Many students thought the prank was funny, but the library workers didn't enjoy it too much.

# Blood drive to be staged

June 19th will be a Student Reunion Day for all Paly, Gunn and Cubberley graduates. The reunion will be held at the Stanford University Blood Bank; all guests are expected to give a pint as they meet old friends and munch cookies.

The number of donors to the Stanford University Blood Bank lessens each year at summertime. People take vacations, and many students leave campus. The need for blood, however, does not change; the Medical Center continues to use 100 pints of blood daily.

In an effort to maintain adequate supplies of blood, the S.U.B.B. urges all graduating seniors and returning college students to join in the Reunion-Blood Drive. Seventeen-year-olds must bring written parental permission.

Meet at Stanford Hospital. The S.U. Blood Bank is on the 2nd floor above the cafeteria. The hours are 11:00-5:00. Make June 19th a banner day for yourself and for the patients at Stanford Hospital and Children's Hospital at Stanford. Call 497-7831 for further information.

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continued from page 1) the humor paper by resigning from her post because "I'm very mad. The paper doesn't add a thing to the school and wasn't even humor. It was simply an abuse of freedom of the press." Percy recalls that though she and a few others were against the CAMPANAMOUNT they were not vocal enough in stating their opinion. She considers Van's preventive measures "totally just. I think they will have a positive influence in the future. These joke editions have never worked, which is too bad. Students just can't resist printing a paper that appeals to the base instincts."

News editor Paul Chamberlain and features editor Jeff Elder, both juniors, held more middle-of-the-road opinions about their journalistic "debacle." Chamberlain remarked that "It's always bad to see someone take a joke personally. The ideas seemed much better beforehand." Elder, meanwhile, was less verbose on the matter. "We simply hit the wrong nerves because it was less refined than usual."

One idea that Fox stressed was the faculty advisor's (Bergstrom) part in the issue. "His role was much less passive than people have been led to believe," said Fox.

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