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## Commencement **Speakers Named**

speakers for graduation exercises on June 8 are Craig Schuett, Linda McLagan, Dick Zawacki, and Sara Nelson. Each one will speak on a topic related to the theme "The Opportunity to be Uncommon."

Craig's speech, entitled "Each Has a Destiny," states that every person has the opportunity to be uncommon by contributing all he can toward the good of community, state, and nation.

Linda will discuss the importance of contemplating and being concerned about today's problems in "The Dignity of the Individual."

"Men to Match My Mountains" is the title of Dick's speech. He will give examples of how a high school student can be uncommon, and explain how parents can teach their children to be uncommon.

The 20th century is the century of the uncommon man, as Sara will explain in her speech, "The Uncommon Man." She will cite examples of uncommon people who have made contributions to progress in this century.

# Sames Honored At AFT Dinner

South St. Paul members of the American Federation of Teachers held their annual dinner recently.

AFT members and their husbands and wives had as special guests the South St. Paul school board, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Swedberg, and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Olson. Members and nonmembers of the Federation honored Mr. Mathew Sames, who has served on the school board for twenty years and is retiring this year, with a certificate of commendation and a gift.

Another special guest was Mr. Ed Bolstad, the state president of the Minnesota Federation of Teachers (MFT) which is a branch of the AFT.

The dinner was held at the White Pine Inn in Bayport, Minnesota.

# Tom, Stan Are **Rotary Guests** Band Presents

Seniors Stan Waldhauser and om O'Neill attended the St. Paul

Spring Concert Tom O'Neill attended the St. Paul Rotary Club's Twenty-first Annual Youth Conference from April 23 through 25.

About 130 junior and senior boys representing the Rotary Clubs of southern Minnesota cities attended the conference.

The boys were housed by representatives of the St. Paul Rotary Club. Stan and Tom stayed at the St. Paul Athletic Club because their host was Mr. Tom Rice, manager of the club.

Each day various activities were planned to familiarize the boys with many of the business activities within the Twin Cities area. Tom and Stan participated in industrial tours and business interviews, toured the Northwest hangars at the International Airport, and visited Lieutenant Governor James Goetz and the state



REHEARSING FOR COMMENCEMENT are these seniors who will present their messages on the Big Night. From left, Linda McLagan, Craig Schuett, Dick Zawacki, and Sara Nelson.

# O'Neill, Grant Honored As '67 Senior Citizens

Sue Grant and Tom O'Neill were recently named Senior Citizens of the class of '67. Runners-up were Merrisue Goral, Vernette Hart, and Stan Waldhauser.

Since 1928, the American Legion has annually honored two students from the senior class for the contributions they have made to the school. Members of the faculty nominated students they considered to have a good disposition, integrity, a sense of responsibility, and general worthiness. An elimination ballot was held, after which the final voting took place.

Sue has been a working member of Student Council since her sophomore year. She was president of the Future Teachers this year, vice president of French Club, and co-editor of the yearbook. She was also Suzie Steer, the school mascot.



Susan Grant — Senior Citizen

South St. Paul High School band members, under the direction of Mr. Edward Anderson, recently presented the annual Spring Formal Band Concert in the high school auditorium.

Two works by Richard Wagner, "Introduction to the Third Act" from the opera "Lohengrin" and "Rienzi Overture," were played. Other selections were "An Age of Kings," "Mustang," "Shenandoah," "Stars and Stripes Forever," and a Henry Mancini medley. Flute and clarinet solos were played by Susan Oftedahl and Greg Courteaux, respectively.

The annual Instrumental Music Festival was also presented recent by the elementary, seventh grade, cadet, and high school

As president of Student Council, Tom has done much for SSPHS. In his sophomore and junior years, he was president of his class. He was also a member of "S" Club and co-captain of the football and wrestling teams.

Both Sue and Tom were chosen by the members of their class to be on Senior Council. They were also both in the A Cappella choir.

Sue and Tom will choose their own topics for the speeches they will give on Class Night. Mr. Raymond J. Happe will help them prepare their speeches.



Tom O'Neill — Senior Citizen

#### Holmquist Addresses Scholarship Assembly

"Let down your buckets. You're surrounded by opportunity," declared Mr. Glen Holmquist, guest speaker at the recent honors assembly. After the speech, Mr. Adolph J. Roiseland presented scholarship pins to the top 5% of the graduating class.

Sophomores and juniors who maintained a B average were also recognized for their efforts. Miss Mary L. Williamson commended those sophomores and juniors with A averages by calling them to the stage separately.

# **Miss Williamson To Retire After 45 Years of Service**

"The torch is passed" and with it, forty-five years of service to the community and its schools will come to an end, marking the close of an era in local education; for Miss Mary Williamson, senior counselor, vice principal, dean of girls, proud possessor of those forty-five years of distinguished service, retires on July 1, 1967.

To the seniors, she was that constant reminder to "be sure to come in for your conference" and to "get your college applications in early." For most of us, however, she was much more. Should I take physics this year or trig? Chemistry or art? What about scholarship information? Ask Miss Williamson. She knows; and if she doesn't, she'll find out for you. But the whole story goes back much farther than the class of '67 or the class of '66 or even the class of '58. When asked how old, seemingly unchangeable South St. Paul High has changed over the years, Miss Williamson can fill in all the details. For example, before the addition of the lab wing, junior high world history classes were held four days a week on bleachers in the old west wing gym. Stairs served as classrooms on the fifth day. Have the kids changed? "No," she

# Three Speakers Place In State Speech Tourney

High honors were awarded to Merrisue Goral, Stan Waldhauser, and Colleen Zarich at the State Speech Tournament held recently at Hamline University.

Merrisue won a first place gold

medal for her original oration, "Everyone is a Little Bit Odd," which dealt with the problem of the acceptance of mentally retarded people into society.

The condition of the economy in the United States was the topic Stan drew in his event, extemporaneous speaking. His ideas on this controversial issue also won him a first place gold medal.

In the same event, Colleen discussed the problems of water pollution and received commendable ratings for a second place

In order to qualify to speak at the state tournament, these three students had to first compete at the sub-disrict, and regional tournaments. Four other SSPHS students, Sara Nelson, Craig Mc-Henry, Lois Glewwe, and Sue Goette, spoke at the regional tournament; but did not qualify to attend the state tournament. As it is set up, there may be only sixteen speakers, two from each region, in each of the eight events at the state tournament.

Students from the speech department, directed by Mr. Raymond J. Happe, have attended every state speech tournament except one since 1946. In the intervening twenty years, SSPHS has been awarded two first place and three second place team

It is noteworthy that the speech department was the only high school activity that ultimately competed at the state level this says. "Their activities have changed and the temptations are greater, but basically they haven't changed. The adults are the worst offenders. They are the ones who exploit the young people!'

Before coming to the senior high, Miss Williamson taught for a total of four years at Annandale, Wadena, and Sauk Rapids and then spent eighteen years at the junior high. After teaching South St. Paul high schoolers for four years, she became vice principal and dean of girls. She is currently one of only six female administrators at the secondary level in Minnesota.

Her tangible contributions to the school are many. While Packer high was in the process of tripling its enrollment, she saw to it that internal growth kept pace with the statistics. She founded a Future Teachers' chapter and co-founded, along with Mr. Fred Jones and Mr. Ken Fladager, the Student Council. She is also a Girls' League advisor. But she has contributed in a far greater way, an intangible way which has touched the lives of students past and present and perhaps given them a little extra push toward growing up.

Her retirement will not be without acknowledgment. She was made honorary homecoming queen of 1966. A tea, sponsored by the Future Teachers and the Parent-Teacher Association, was given April 24. For over two hours, a steady stream of stu-dents and alumni passed through the receiving line to greet her. The faculty, for their part, are planning a dinner in her honor to be held later in May.

What about the future? Miss Williamson has a busy schedule planned. She will divide her time among traveling, doing volunteer work at Divine Redeemer hospital, and compiling a history of the South St. Paul school system.

The office at the top of the stairs marked "Dean of Girls" is soon to be no more, but in its place will stand something that no missing letters will ever erase. To the students, particularly the seniors, the faculty, and the alumni, that office will never cease to be hers. Thanks, Miss Williamson, for a job well done.



Miss Mary Williamson

# We Pass The Torch

Dear juniors and sophomores,

Here we are, two weary senior editors. With this issue we end our efforts to try to keep the student body informed about school activities. Our efforts to promote thought have ended in mixed reactions, some favorable, some not so favorable. Nevertheless, they were reactions just the same.

Now we'd like to leave you with a few parting thoughts and questions. You may take them for what they're worth. If any one of them stimulates you to action, then our efforts are justified.

Here, then, are random thoughts, opinions, and things we'll never understand.

Why is it that so many athletes break training rules, but only a few suffer the consequences of being caught?

Why does cheerleading so drastically change a girl's personality?

Why are campaign promises so soon forgotten?

Why do some teenagers show so little respect for rules and authority?

Why aren't the "workers" elected as Student Council representatives?

Why don't all athletic teams get equal support?
Why aren't there more people like Miss Williamson?

Why are vice presidents so powerless?

Why are the Sprolic royalty always elected as class ficers?

Why are so many people willing to "let George do it"?
Why aren't girls offered as many opportunities and activities as boys?

Why students can't do simple things like providing an accurate lunch count?

Why do Student Council presidential candidates suddenly find so many things wrong with the school?

Why can't some students even pretend to appreciate assemblies?

Why do athletes sneer at scholars?

Why don't school spirit promoters support non-athletic school functions?

Why is everyone so concerned about the "voice of the

student" only during campaigns?

Why do seniors become so apathetic after the first

Why do seniors become so apathetic after the first semester?

Why do ugly rumors get started?

Why are some people too proud to ask for help?
What is so humiliating about saying "Thanks"?
Why is jealousy so often disguised by harsh words?
Why do students only wish they had studied harder?
What is so appealing about cigarettes, liquor, and drugs?
Why are protestors so extreme?
Why does the truth hurt?

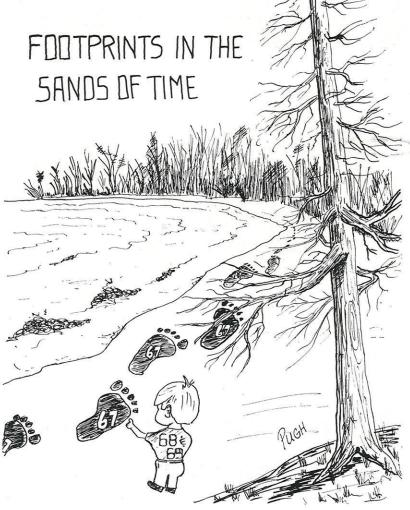
Perhaps some of these comments strike a familiar note. If so, please don't pass them off lightly; apathy breeds mediocrity. Never stop questioning and searching, and don't stop demanding improvements. Learn from our mistakes. Attempt to leave this school just a little bit better for the succeeding classes. As the poet Longfellow said:

"Lives of great men all remind us We can make our lives sublime, And departing leave behind us Footprints in the sands of time."

—Stan and Tom



CAN SHE BAKE a cherry pie, Billy Boy? She certainly can! Senior Jean McNamara shows her prize-winning pie to Mrs. Henrietta Quilling, NSP Home Economics expert. Jean's pie won first place locally, and second in the entire St. Paul area competition. Her teacher is Miss Dorothy Steffenhagen.—NSP Photo.



#### Merri-Go-Round

# Seniors Leave Last Will

by Merrisue Goral

For once I'm at a loss for words. I thought that writing my last column would be the greatest joy of high school. But right now, instead of joy, I feel a little misty. This last month with its elections, teas, banquets and picnics really makes a senior realize that this is it.

No more will McCormick and Krinsky and the boys be under the clock. We'll never have another "Courtship of Eddie's Father." There won't be another Sprolic and we've watched our last cheerleading practice in the court. Of course there are some things we won't miss, like pink slips, Shakespeare's Macbeth, and taking SAT tests; but still there is something about this school.

This class of '67 has much to remember before it gives its last will. Labeled the "Class of Fun," we'll never forget senior assemmly, polak jokes, and the BCMT. Even school spirit drives and the scrubinis will hold some meaning with us, along with a rainy homecoming and a bomb scare.

In a way it is good to know that what is ending for us is just beginning for you. I'm sure if you asked most any senior for advice right now he would simply say, "Make the most of your high school years because they go so very fast." And he'd tell you to make the most of not only hockey tournaments, and Saturday night parties, but also of your grades.

I sincerely hope that when you start voting for your class motto and flower you'll be able to look back on high school with a sense of achievement and many memories. I hope that none of you will wish that you hadn't done some of the dumb things you did, but I also hope that you won't wish that you had done them.

Well, now for our senior will...

John Palodichuk would like to will his bod to Tim Egan.

We will our outstanding sports record to whichever class wants it.

Pam McMorrow wills her laugh to anyone who wants to sound like a machine gun.

Bill Kohlman wills his season ticket to the "Big A" to Rick Moquist, with love.

Meg Kronholm wills her sweetness to Julie Gabor.

Tom Pugh wills his cockiness to the whole junior class, you know that there is enough to go around.

Mike Ryan wills all his "secret admirers" and "sneaky tricks" to Fred Kenady, if he wants them.

Jo and Kath will their ability to conive to anyone who can handle the job.

Dick Zawacki wills his parties to anyone tired of the Pizza Villa. Lefty Book will his basketball attitude to Bill Macheel.

Brad Weniger wills his hair spray to Ed McGuire.

All interest in teeny-bop dances is given to next year's sophomores.

Stan Koich wills his sexy locker door (the one which was broken and has recently been replaced by one with darling hinges) to anyone who has seen him at the drive-in.

Cindy Eide will her friendliness to Linda Mack.

The senior boys will all the sophomore girls back to the sophomore boys.

Bruce Onischuk wills his muscle-shiris to whoever can wear them as well as he.

Tom and Stan will their deadlines, headlines, and glue to Bill and Tom.

The hockey team wills next year's tourney to both classes with the stipulation that they can come and visit.

Bonnie Houman wills her sun lamp to anyone who wants a genuine Florida tan.

Bill O'Brien wills his Blue Hippo jacket to his brother. Greg Kask wills his size to Jim

Martin.

And the class of '67 wills you its parking tickets, Battle Creek Bureau, Senior Scholastics, and at least half the fun we had.

# Fashion Show Highlights Tea

Girls' League annual Mothers' Tea was held recently. The tea honored Miss Mary Williamson, an advisor to the club.

Fran Schember, president of Girls' League, opened the program. Mrs. Frederick Grant, Sue Grant's mother, gave the Mother's Response.

Next year's officers were then installed. They are Vicki Boatman, president; Betty McGinn, vice president; Debbie Mincke, secretary; and Kathy Zawacki, treasurer. The senior members of the Girls' League Council were then presented with their Girls' League pins.

A style show was then presented. The models, wearing fashions from Gertrude's, were Mrs. Lu Jarvis from the South St. Paul Reporter, Miss Janet Morgan, Miss Maureen Welter, Tara Schimmel, Pam Rinehart, Kyle Robertson, Julie Gabor, Debby Mincke, and Kathy Goral. Not only were modern fashions modeled, but also fashions from Miss Williamson's high school days.

Tea and cookies were served after the program.

# Seniors Begin Hectic Weeks

Seniors' schedules are beginning to be crowded with many events leading up to Commencement Exercises and the Graduation Party which end their years at SSPHS.

Events got underway with a day designated as Senior Dress-Up Day. This carried out tradition of past years.

On Thursday, June 1, Class Night Exercises will be held at 8:00 in the auditorium. Seniors will receive awards and some of the highlights of their days spent at SSPHS will be shown on slides.

Formal classes for seniors will end Friday, June 2. This day has also been designated as Cap and Gown Day. Seniors will be allowed to wear caps and gowns to classes and rehearsal that day.

Graduation Exercises are to be held Sunday, June 4, in the auditorium and will be followed on Monday, June 5, by the Senior Picnic at Como Park.

Finally on Thursday, June 8, Commencement Exercises will be held at Wakota Arena. The last big fling together will b the Y Party after Commencement at the East District Y.M.C.A.

# Jean Can Bake A Cherry Pie

Jean McNamara, a member of the senior home economics class, recently finished in second place in a tri-state cherry pie baking contest sponsored by Northern States Power Company. She won \$100 for a wardrobe of her choice.

Prior to this, Jean won the divisional school contest. This contest consisted of competition with students from twelve high schools. She won a fourteen karat white gold pearl drop necklace and was presented an engraved silver bowl at a banquet at the St. Paul Hotel. The home economics department at SSPHS received a Sunbeam coffee maker.



BACKING UP their instructor, Mr. R. J. Happe, are these winners of honors in the state speech contest. Left to right are Merrisue Goral, A rating in original oratory; Stan Waldhauser, A rating in extemporaneous speaking; and Colleen Zarich, B rating in extemporaneous speaking.

# Alternates Chosen World Problems

Junior and senior representatives for the 1967-68 Student Council were recently chosen by their respective classes. Eightynine sophomores and eighty-five juniors applied for a seat in

The junior representatives are as follows: Thomas Barger, Michael Bonk, Connie Devich, Timothy Egan, Cathy Frisch, Kathy Goff, Kathy Goral, Paul Hansen, Berton Heaton, James Jacobson, Vernell Kukacha, John Lawrence, Jeffrey Milbert, Tim Pugh, Richard Todd, Jim Van-Horn, Stu Waldhauser, and Kathy Zawacki.

The senior representatives are: Vicki Boatman, Marlowe Francis, Julie Gabor, Tom Gilde, Bruce Glewwe, Fred Kenady, Jacqueline Klepper, James LeClair, William Macheel, Linda Mack, Ladean Meyer, Richard Moquist, Tom Murr, Brian O'Boyle, Kyle Robertson, Mark Stassen, Linda Sutherland, George Tourville, and Jane Winkel.

The junior alternates are the following: Julie Anderson, Cathy Byers, Diane DeWald, Laurie Giguere, Jo Ellen Glewwe, Thomas Little, Rose Mackey, Ken Madden, Craig McHenry, Cathy Milnar, Pat Molitor, Gregory Nida, Nancy Paape, Patricia St. Peter, Karen Skaggs, Kristine Stover, Jerel Turner, and John Vujovich.

The senior alternates elected are: Anne Andrich, Steve Ayres, Susan Bangerter, Laura Beaudoin, Joe Bonk, Julie Devine, Dave Drummond, Lois Glewwe, Sue Goette, Elizabeth McGinn, Edward McGuire, Paul Miller, Kathy Molitor, Robert Norman, Linda Ostby, Debbi O'Tool, Jeri Peterson, Barbara Scholz, Gloria Schroeder, Deborah Shannon, and Patricia Sweeney.

## **Welter Plans** Year Abroad

Miss Maureen Welter, a French teacher, plans to go to France this

Miss Welter has applied for a French government assistantship through the Fulbright Committee. During her year-long stay, she will strive for personal betterment in her study of French. She will probably live with a French family in a large city of southern France.

# Council Members, Seniors Discuss

World Affairs Club members Jeanne Knight, Tom McClintick, Don Johnson, and Bill Larson, accompanied by Mrs. Alice Jones, Social Science teacher, recently attended a seminar held at Minnetonka High School. The group listened to two speakers who lectured on population and hunger. Later on in the afternoon discussion groups were held and different viewpoints on the problems were talked about. Members of these groups consisted of stu-dents from Twin Cities area

#### Lettermen Host Donkey Basketball

"S" Club recently sponsored a Donkey Basketball game in the high school gym, featuring a game between the SSPHS faculty and the SSP city work crew.

Donkey basketball is simply a game of basketball played while riding (or trying to ride) on a donkey, which provides many hilarious situations. The first game was between two teams composed of lettermen. In the feature game, the faculty team defeated the city crew. The final game was between the faculty and the lettermen, and, of course, was won by the students.

# **Ideas Are Shared** At Town Meeting

Tom McClintick, Brian O'Boyle, and Dick Todd accompanied by Mr. Philip Gustafson were recently elected by the Student Council to attend the Town Meeting at Macalester College.

"The Town Meeting provides for an open discussion and the sharing of ideas among people to promote interest in local, state, and national affairs," explained Tom McClintick. This one day meeting of students from schools around Minnesota was not an action program. It was an opportunity for sharing ideas and discussing the issue of pollution. Like the early American Town Meeting, it brought together people of different backgrounds and interests to discuss common problems and to act as a platform for communication.

#### Stevens Awarded **Merit Scholarship**

Fred Stevens, who ranks in the top 5% of his class was recently awarded a scholarship to Hamline University. The four year scholarship was based on Fred's status as a merit scholar.

Jeanne Knight, William Larson, and Fred were among 10,000 national finalists competing for top honors. The scholarship will consist of full tuition and books.

Fred plans to major in mathematics or physics.

# **Encore Stages** Students' Play

"Arrghh! Thurg!" was all Gretchen Kaufmann could say when notified that the play she and Jeri Jenson wrote would be performed by the Drama class. She was, of course, quoting Herder, a character from their play, "The Ten-Minute Shakespeare."

During odd moments in Journalism class, they worked on their condensation of Shakespeare until they arrived at a one-act tragicomedy containing virtually all of his famous quotes and a few of

Tapes of the radio version will soon be available. The written play may be obtained by mailing 46c plus 7c handling to Kauf-mann-Jenson Inc. Ltd., with offices in New York, London, Paris, and Inver Grove Heights.

#### Streif Displays Art

Ten oil paintings were recently submitted by Mr. Paul Streif, high school English and history teacher, for display at Cecil's Back Room, which is a restaurant in Highland Village.

This exhibition has been shown during April and can still be seen this May. Two of these paintings have already been sold. Mr. Streif has been interested in this type of art work for a long time and hopes to actively further his interest in art.

### **Kaposia Staff Revealed**

Qualifying for next year's Kaposia Yearbook staff are the following juniors and sophomores: Lois Glewwe, Sandra Toth, Tom Gilde, Debra Patrick, Carol Scholze, Julie Devine, Jennie Luhrs, Trisha Sweeney, Linda Sutherland, Jeri Peterson, Helen Fischer, Barb Wojack, Karen Anderson, Paul Mayerle, Tom Michelson, Vicki Boatman, Debbie Hawken, Linda Tvedt, Mary Krutchek, Karen Kraetzner. Also chosen were Kris Hansen, Cheryl Hollerung, Kathy Goral, Marcia Gruenhagen, Dick Todd, Stu Waldhauser, Debbie Mincke, and Kathy Zawacki. Joseph Patrick will be photographer and Dave Lein will be business manager.

The test was given by this year's co-editors, Sandi Day and Sue Grant. Advisor, Mrs. Bernadette McLean, supervised. Coeditors for the 1968 Kaposia will be Lois Glewwe and Sandra Toth.

#### Time Winner Named

Fred Stevens was named the school winner of the current affairs test sponsored by Time Magazine.

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Spanish Club

La Boca Chica was the final meeting place of the Spanish Club on May 10, where they gathered to try Mexican-style food.

NFL

Officers for the following year are Mark Stassen, president; Jenni Luhrs, vice president; Lois Glewwe, treasurer; and Anne Andrich, secretary. Mark Stassen and Dick Teske handed out awards at the Junior High award assembly

#### Distributors' Club

A steak fry at Mr. Henry Howe's home on May 23 was the last meeting, attended only by seniors.

#### World Affairs

Tom McClintick, Stan Waldhauser, Don Willer, and Dick Zawacki attended a seminar at Wayzata High School on May 16. World problems were discussed. FTA

Members of the FTA served for Miss Mary Williamson's Tea on April 24. Officers for next year were elected recently.



Awards night over, the association is looking forward to a new year under the leadership of president-elect Linda Fischbach. Recently held elections determined the officers and six captains for next year. Plans for next year are to re-organize as an intramural group rather than as a club.

Softball and gymnastics have come to an end for this year also. Participation in both sports was more open than has been the rule in previous sports. This is the general pattern to be tried next

Plans for the summer include a planning retreat for the newlyelected board.

French Club members had a picnic at Minnehaha Falls recently. Fines collected from students for speaking English in class financed the event. A farewell party was given in the library for Mlle. Claude Meynier. She was presented with a charm bracelet. President of the club, Bruce Onischuk, was kissed five times at that meeting.

Art Club

Some of the Art Club members recently attended a weekend workshop at Glenwood, Minnesota. A jewelry sale to raise money for art summer school at the St. Paul Art Center was sponsored by the Art Club in May.

Varsity "S" Club

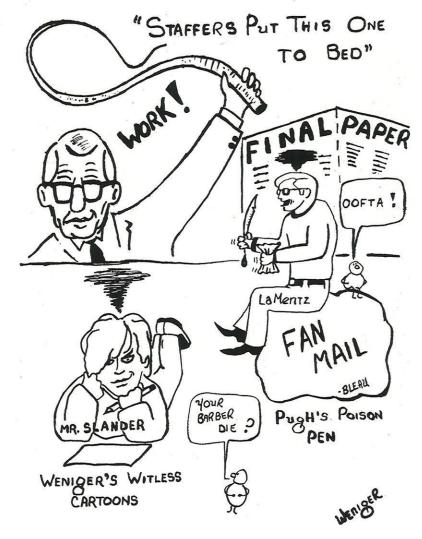
"S" Club recently sponsored a donkey basketball game and made \$135.00. Members attended a smorgasbord dinner on May 16, at North Star bowling lanes. Afterwards they went to Howard Johnson's for a swim. The "S" Club picnic will be held sometime the first week in June at Battle Creek.

## **Reid Boosted For National President**

Mike Reid, a SSPHS senior, represented the state of Minnesota recently at the elections of the national president of the Office Education Association. He was elected president of the Minnesota Chapter of OEA last November at the Delegate Assembly. Part of his promotion for the national presidency was for emblem blazers. South St. Paul is the only school with an OEA blazer and Mike hopes to make it a nationwide emblem.

The Office Education Association is a very young group. This was the first year a nationwide election was held.

Mike also competed for Mr. Office Student of the Year. Four girls from SSPHS attended the convention with Mike and were active in other competition.





TOM O'NEILL, a leader in many areas at SSPHS, added to his laurels recently when he was named Honor Athlete for 1966 - 1967. Here he receives his plaque from Mr. Roger Anderson, VFW Commander.

# **SSP Athletes Praised At Annual Athletic Banquet**

Several hundred students, parents, athletes, and honored guests packed the Junior High cafeteria May 2, 1967, for the annual South St. Paul High School Athletic Banquet.

After a delicious meal, the coaches of the various sports spoke about their teams of this year and presented trophies to the outstanding performer of each sport. Tom O'Neill was given the trophy for football; Brad Weniger, for cross country; Jim Preble, for wrestling; Bruce Onischuk for swimming; John Palodichuk, for hockey; and Bob Bauer, for basketball. The coaches of the spring sports also spoke, but will wait until the end of the season to present trophies to the outstanding individuals in those sports.

Following the presentation of awards, the speaker of the evening, Mr. Ray Scott, was introduced. He gave an inspirational talk on "Blue Chip Athletes." He stated that in his many acquaintances with many great athletes over the years, he will remember longest two men in particular. He said the reason that he will remember these men most is that they began with little natural athletic ability, but with a great amount of determination, drive, and sacrifice, they made themselves excel in sports. Although he admires athletes who need little sacrificing to be good, he feels the biggest thrill in sports is to be good and to know it's because you made yourself good.

When Mr. Scott had finished speaking, Honor Athletes of past years including Harley Woog, Doug Woog, and Jim Carter were recognized.

The final event of the evening was the naming of the South St. Paul High School Honor Athlete for 1967. On the basis of his fine record of achievements in high school athletics, Tom O'Neill was named Honor Athlete of 1967. He has earned eight letters, participated in three sports, co-captained

# **Coach Pleased** With Golf Play

Coach Richard Kohn has been very pleased with his golfers having won the last two matches.

The duffers defeated Stillwater High School 81/2 - 61/2 and Mounds View High School 8-7. Coach Kohn is very pleased with the fine performance of freshman, Bruce Haselrud.

Haselrud started out at the fifth position in the beginning of the season. Later he proved worthy of playing the third position.

Mark Stassen, Brian O'Boyle, and Jim Sorensen have also been showing their great ability. Stassen and O'Boyle have been trading off in the number one position and have been doing quite well for not having adequate facilities.

Mr. Kohn commented, "Pugh isn't good enough to hold Haselrud's clubs."

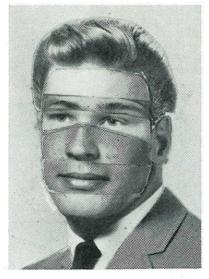
the wrestling squad, and has dis-

played exceptional leadership in

and outside of athletics.

Tom O'Neill joins a host of outstanding performers of the past who have given SSPHS a reason to boast about its great athletic record. People will long remember the name O'Neill and his many contributions to SSPHS

# **Super Profile**



We wondered what a super Packer Profile would look like, so we put one together for our final issue. He has a fantastic build similar to that of outstanding swimmer Bruce Onischuk. His bull neck is undoubtedly similar to that of Honor Athlete Tom O'Neill. That big smile of his reminds us of basketball star Bob Bauer, while his searching eyes and cauliflower ears are replicas of wrestler Jim Preble's. That prominent nose and those bushy eyebrows compare to those of John Palodichuk, hockey standout. His hair is unmistakably that of champion harrier Brad Weniger.

This month we honor not only the athletes named outstanding in their particular sports but also the numerous other athletes, managers, and coaches who combine their efforts to make our sports program a builder of men.

#### Baseballers Win Conference Tilts

After dropping their first conference tilt of the season to Mounds View, the Packer baseball nine bounced back to defeat Anoka, Coon Rapids, and Columbia Heights in their next three league games.

#### ANOKA

The Packer nine defeated Anoka for their first conference victory of the season on a four run eighth inning performance. Rick Moquist led the Packer onslaught in the eighth with a single and Mark Albu got on on an error with Wayne Price walking to load the bases. With the bases loaded, hard-hitting first baseman Bob Mohs rapped a triple and drove in three runs to virtually wrap up the game for the Packers. Bob Bauer then drove in Mohs to end the scoring with SSP on top by a score of 4 to 2.

Winning pitcher Bill Kohlmann had considerable control trouble and walked nine but allowed only three hits while going the distance.

#### COON RAPIDS

Packer starter John Yeamen pitched fine ball for five innings and got the win before handing mound duties over to Kohlmann.

The big inning for the SSP nine came in the fifth when singles by Van Horn, Moquist, Albu, and Waibel accounted for four of the Packers' five runs.

The Packer pitchers again showed considerable control trouble in walking eight but gave up only three runs on five hits to the Cardinals.

#### COLUMBIA HEIGHTS

Bill MacHeel struck out seven and walked only two as the Packer six-plus-three blasted Columbia Heights by a score of 9 to 2.

Packer bats were booming as Wayne Price smashed a grand slam homer over the left field fence and Bob Bauer cracked a solo homer while the SSP nine out-hit their opponents eight to

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#### Pugh's Views

# Final Words Of Wisdom

by The Great LaMentz

I'll write; you read!

This year, SSPHS has come fairly close to producing an outstanding track team. In the running events, this squad is superior to most schools in the conference. The team boasts such runners as Brad Weniger, Mark Lindell, Bill Lesch, and Doug Archibald. These four boys have been constant threats of setting and re-setting SSP's track records. The team's strongest events are the relays. With a little sacrifice and an excess of desire, some of the relay crews may very well take a trip to the state tourney. Yet, the accomplishments of the entire team have been severely limited due to a not-so-impressive group of weightmen. I've heard that our boys would have trouble scoring points if they were allowed to put an 8-pound shot (a 12pound shot is normally used). Thus, the trackmen's fine running events coupled with well-under par weight events will result in a combination that should not be able to finish higher than fourth in the conference. This, however, would be admirable at SSPHS; but, a number of boys should advance to the state meet which would make 1967 SSPHS's finest track year.

In a recent meet, Brad Weniger won the long jump competition while wearing his street shoes! Just ask Brad if cockiness is bliss.

This spring has produced some of the worst weather possible for high school baseball. In fact, I've heard that the local weathermen use a SSP baseball schedule to predict rainstorms. If Yeamen is to pitch on a given day, the prediction is thunderstorms with nearfreezing temperatures; if Kohlmann is to pitch, it's cooling with partly cloudy skies and occasional showers. Seriously, the Packer "six plus three" has suffered from much more than poor weather in compiling their quite mediocre record. The squad has been hampered by numerous injuries which have been just enough to make that perfect game an impossibility. Also, the team has molded its desire around what seems to be "the Code of 1967" — it matters not if you win or lose as long as you have a good time doing it. This attitude is fine for a team that realizes its severe lack of ability; but, a team with good natural ability - the Packer nine - must supplement this talent with an ardent desire to win in order to maintain an outstanding record.

In review of 1967, I feel that the football season would most assuredly have to be considered the highlight of the SSP sports scene. The football squad proved without a doubt the importance of desire in athletic competition. At the season's opening, this group would have had trouble defeating the GAA all-stars in a game of touch football. As the season progressed, the abilities of ninety percent (that may be a conservative figure) of the players would not qualify them for a spot in intramural football. Yet, the desire and attitude of this group shaped the Packers into the perfect football team. Every victory was obtained as the team's tremendous attitude and hustle compensated for its severe shotcomings in ability. Thus, in the eyes of the wise, the 1966 record of only four wins surpasses the record of any other season.

Looking behind the scenes, we may find the man directly responsible for the tremendous improvement of the football team. This man, of course, is Mr. Steve Silianoff, head football coach at SSPHS. Through his direction, the footballers evolved from a group of unskilled, apathetic individuals to a team of youngsters all striving for the same result - victory. This advance was a direct result of Coach Silianoff's tremendous personality and dedication. He not only strives to build a winning squad, but also to inspire in his team the qualities essential for success in athletics and life. His approach to building character in athletes in order to gain winning ways closely resembles that of Vince Lombardi, the great professional football coach. With coaches of Mr. Silianoff's caliber, SSPHS will always turn out teams with high athletic character and, hopefully excellent competitive

> Cockiness in the pursuit of happiness is no vice.

Cockiness is its own reward.

# Relay Teams Stand Out As Thinclads Post Wins Carlson, Pomeroy

The Packer thinclads continued their surprising surge by taking a win in a dual meet and a second in a quadrangular tilt. In a dual meet at Bloomington, the Packers completely outclassed the Kennedy trackmen by posting a 74-45 victory.

Mark Lindell and freshman Bill Lesch finished one and two respectively in the 100-yard dash. Both have posted times of 10.3 seconds this year, ranking them in the top ten in the state. Mark also won the 220-yard dash. He has run the fastest 220 recorded so far this year in the state.

Bob Garvey, followed by Bert Heaton and Bill Evans, gave the Packers a sweep in the 440-yard event, taking all three places. Junior Doug Archibald won the half mile event and set a new school record. His closest pursuer, Jeff Wostrel, who placed second, was over 100 yards behind.

Jim Fredeen took first places in both the high hurdles and the high jump. After Jim and Brad Weniger had apparently wrapped up the broad jump, Bill Lesch went 19'10" on his final jump to win the event and outdistance his teammate rivals.

In the relay events, the Packers won every race with the exception of the 880-yard relay, in which both teams were disqualified. Coach Glazier was quite satisfied with his team's showing against Lake Conference compe-

One of the bigger meets of year was recently held on the team's own field. The quadrangular meet involved West St. Paul, South St. Paul, Kellogg, and Hastings.

The Packers started the meet with several wins, and continued to add to their lead. Mard Lindell took first place in both the 100vard and 220-yard dashes. Bob Garvey and Doug Archibald took firsts respectively in the quarter and half-mile events. Jim Fredeen, a consistent winner along with the Packer dashmen, again placed first in the high hurdle event.

In the final analysis, the Warrior field men outscored the Packers 43-11 in all the field events. Erasing the large Packer lead in the track events, the Warriors were victorious by a mere four points, 92-88.

# **Spark Racketeers**

Hopes for the 1967 Packer tennis team were not dampened, even though seven matches were postponed during the season as a result of rain and bad weather. Tennis mentor Mr. Calvin Sorensen pointed out the fact that not much was accomplished because of the bad weather.

On May 23 and 24 the team hosted an invitational tournament against West St. Paul, St. Paul Park, and Simley. District play begins on May 27.

At the time of this writing, the Packer tennis team possesses a 2-6 record with eight matches left to play. Pacing the team this year with their fine performances were junior Jon Carlson and senior Fred Pomeroy.

#### SCORES

Opponent	SPP	OPP.
Simley	2	3
Mahtomedi		4
Kellogg	_ 0	5
Anoka		5
St. Paul Park	4	1
North St. Paul	. 0	5
Mounds View	_ 1	4