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Black History

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Topic At

Club Meetings

The Race Relations Group continues to work toward their goals of achieving a better understanding between white and black students of WHS. Wayne Wheatley, president of the group, has helped to set up an active program to achieve these goals. "By having educational programs and speakers we will be able to communicate like people, and have a better understanding of racial problems hindering our lives."

Last December, the group had various panel discussions and skits that brought out the reality of the racial problems faced by citizens everyday. The skits mainly delt with interracial marriage and dating. Along with the skits and panel discussions, Mr. Clifford Tyree spoke to the group about the educational problems in various school systems. This year the group is planning an extensive program for Black History Week and hopes to have a professor from OSU come and speak on Black History. Thursday, January 29 the group went to hear Adam Clayton Powell speak at the Mershon Auditorium.



Ohio High School Press Club Workshop members include Chronicle staff members from left to right, Joyce McKenna, Evy Pine, and Jan Minor.

PRESS WORKSHOP FOCUSES

"MEDIA POWER" THEME

The theme "Media Power" captured the spirit of the annual Ohio High School Press Club workshop, held on Saturday February 7, in the Law Building of Ohio State Univer-

Featured were a panel of professional journalists. Winners of the Press Club's on-the-spot

news writing contest received trophies at the awards presentation.

Seven trophies were awarded at the workshop for best stories in these categories: features; news; sports; editorials, advertising; photography; and in-depth reporting. These trophies were awarded to stories printed in high school newspapers since February, 1969.

The press club's workshops sessions included discussions of student-made films, television, underground newspapers, the power of new services, advertising, reviews, magazines, critques of newspapers, and the effect student newspapers have on their schools. Evy Pine, Chronicle editorial editor and Ohio High School Press Club president, led the panel discussion on the effect of student news papers.

CHRONICLE QUESTIONS SMOKING POLICY

... Smoking Lounge Hazardous. . . - Everett

by Jeff White

Editor's Note: This is the first of two In-depth stories concerning the WHS smoking policy. The next issue's story will include possibility of relaxed smoking regulations.

Smoking in school? Although suggestions have never been brought about before the administration, from informed sources it appears that the no smoking policy may stay that way. As Rob McCauley put it, "no one has mentioned it (the smoking lounge) nor has showed any interest."

In discussion with Mr. Everett the changes within the smoking rules and the smoking policy in general, he gave these reasons for the impossibility of a WHS smoking lounge:

"1. In general health and safety of the school and it's students, a smoking lounge could be hazardous. . ."

"2. It would take a school board resolution to change the present smoking regulations ...

Elaborating, Mr. Everett went on to say, "... the school as an institution is here to help the students, not encourage them to do something that might hinder their future lives. . . " In explaining how students are disciplined when caught smoking or in possession of cigarettes he answered, "at the beginning of the school year students were given a sheet of paper titled "Policy On Smoking". years. "Within it, it gave the disciplinary measures for students who are caught and a board statement concerning the regulations.

The sheet contained the measures used for possession of cigarettes. "First offense: Confiscation of tobacco products and exclusion from school until there is a parent conference." The parent conference was later changed, instead a letter is now sent home to the parent. The second offense is the same as the first and subsequent offenses are handled like an offense of smoking.

For smoking violations the student is suspended for the first, second, and third offenses for three, five and ten days respectively. To return to school, his parents must accompany him for re-admittance. All work missed during suspended period is listed unexcused.

Concerning the school's rights of confiscation, Mr. Everett stated, "I take a student's cigarettes and keep them until the end of school at which time he may then pick them up. . . "If he doesn't then, I throw them away."

A call to the American Civil Liberties Union revealed, "that the school has the right to hold them (cigarettes) until the student goes home." They also agreed in the school upholding their smoking rules, but added, "that a school that confiscates a student's cigarettes and doesn't allow him to regain possession after school or some other time could be held libel if the cigarettes were destroyed or beyond use. . . "Holding the cigarettes until the end of the school year at WHS was a practice in past

BETHANY PRESIDENT

GRESHAM TO SPEAK

AT AWARDS BANQUET

Upcoming events slated on the WHS calendar include the annual Academic Honor Awards Banquet on March 16.

The Student Union's west ballroom will host some 280 WHS students who will be recognized for their academic achievement. The evening's format will remain essentially unchanged from past years, with Bethany College President, Mr. Perry E. Gresham speaking on the topic, "The Bird of Minerva Flies By Night." The subject for the evening seems to be in reference to Hegal's comment on philosophers.

The tradition of the Awards Banquet was started 10 years ago in the basement of a Worthington church. According to Mr. Merilees, the purpose was to recognize acade mic achieve ment, since performers such as musicians and athletes were recognized.

Dress Code Survey Termed Confusing

The administration is trying to end student freedoms and reestablish the dress code. Or, the 'no dress code' was merely for a trial period, nothing definite.

What's Inside The Chronicle?

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Page 3- "Remember the Narghile", Senior Spotlight: Carol Hibbs, "Everything Was Going to be Nice", and an Untitled Poem.

Page 4- Wrestling, Swimming, and Basketball.

These seem to be the feelings of quite a few students towards the survey taken by the Student Council. Other students seem confused. What was the survey supposed to prove?

Mr. Polk, WHS Activities Coordinator, firmly dispelled the rumors and said that the dress code had been shelved once and will stay that way. The Student Council is merely trying to get a very generalized opinion of the dress code. Mr. Koloze had said that he'd like to know, "how the students feel towards the look

of the student body." However, many of the students had thought that the survey was asking them whether they objected to the different ways of dress. Because of this feeling the students didn't express their views on the effectiveness of the dress code and many marked the survey sheet with excellents and change in the policy for punishgoods.

the homerooms explaining the of the committee feel that the results of the survey. There will penalty for smoking is too harsh also be another survey taken this and that a lighter punishment Spring when the warmer weather might be more appropriate. The may prompt care-free dress. present penalty ranges from This survey will be much more three days suspension for the detailed and will be done on an first offense to expulsion for later individual basis.

Student Committee Now Discussing Four Concerns

by Paul Holsinger

The Student Concerns Com mittee has found four new topics for discussion and possible future proposals. The four topics include the present smoking policy, a pop machine in the lunch room, religious assemblies, and forty-five minute class periods next year.

The committee discussed a ment of smoking on school There will be a letter sent to grounds. Some of the members offenses.

Some students approached the committee, voicing their concern over "religious assemblies." They had not been informed that, by offering reasonable objections, they could be excused from the assemblies in advance.

Rob McCauley, Chairman of the concerns committee, believes that student interest is the committee's major problem. He stated that "no one at the time is willing to do much." He corrected himself later, saying that, "a few people are working on the problems."

Attendance at the meetings has been low, although the meetings are announced in advance. The concerned students usually meet in room 203.

LETTERSTOTHEEDITOR

Poll Questioned

Dear Editor,

The kind of questionnaire written and distributed by Student Council last Friday (Editor's note: This letter was dated January 23) illustrates the ultimate in bigotry and lack of respect for the individual. What the majority of Worthington High School conforms to was outlined by judgements excellent to poor. When the liberalized dress policy was enacted in December, it was with the understanding that any attire or appearance was permitted that didn't in anyway disrupt classes. (How do earrings, beads or beards disrupt classes?) This was an excellent criterion.

Sounding Board

In the midst of their own wastes

The cycle repeats. . . repeats.

Excrement fouls the nearby stream

Among the remains of the animals they kill.

The savages move on-to a clean place. . .

Time will clean up what they left behind.

They can avoid the problem of waste.

Barbarians

Living in a cave

Decay, stench

They can ignore it.

Earth too, is a cave.

The wastes are building up.

Decay, stench.

It is a rare day when one does not

Smell the fumes, the reeking water

The conditions grow unbearable--

Where can the barbarians go?

See litter, a car graveyard, city smog-

But now we're showing the ugly side of democracy by castigating those who walk off the beaten path. Mark Parsons

Team Picture Incomplete

Dear Editor,

ONE MORE TO GO

by Nancy Sachsel

Each time the conditions become unbearable, the barbarians move

I am writing this letter in response to the recent article and picture of the Cardinal Basketball 'Team' in the Citizen Jour-

I was very upset to learn that we only have nine basketball players, I thought that we had 12. Whatever happened to Doug Clarke, Bruce Gillium, and Wayne Wheatly? Even though these three boys work out with the team, dress for the games, and score points for the team, are they not con-

sidered enough a part of the team to be written up and photographed with the team? According to the article in the Citizen Journal, they are not! Maybe the fault is with the newspaper, maybe it is

I think one of the reasons I am upset is because of the comments I received after the Christmas assembly. There was a lot of critism of me for presenting a pillow to Doug Clarke for the hard bleachers. This was done in jest, as were all the presents. The exclusion of part of the team from a 'team' picture is not done in

These boys may say that they do not mind being left out of the 'team' picture; what else can they say??

This is only my opinion; I do know that three members of our basketball team were not included in a team picture, and were not so much as mentioned as even being a part of our team in a city newspaper. Is this fair?

Sandra Hazle

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YIPPEE! MY NAME'S IN THE PAPER!

Watch for your name in the Chronicle!



Is the dress code a matter of taste or individual rights? For one students answer see—"Poll Questioned" in Letters To The Editor.

INQUIRY STUDIES NEED INTEREST

by Bill Kirby

Even though several students are involved in the new independent study "Inquiry Program" at WHS, the turnout has not been as great as expected. This response has certainly been a disapointment but the reasons why are logical.

The student Inquiry Program gives students the opportunity to work on projects of their own, with advice and assistance from a faculty member who has specialized in this field. A wide selection is offered in many areas of study including theater, poetry, electronics, and math. Participants work on their own time outside of school, meeting with their faculty advisors at least twice a month. No grades or credits are given but the student receives aknowledgement for his work on his permanent school record.

One reason for little interest is that most high school students are already busy with regular classes and homework, clubs, committees, and other "various" activities. Add to this the fact that a great number of students have part-time jobs and you can see that the average high school student has little, or no, time to devote to an effective extra-curricular study.

Aside from these reasons there is the general apathy that many young people feel toward education in general.

To improve the situation, many suggestions have been made. One was to give the student a "credit" for his work in the program. This is more difficult than it seems. The course could be accredited by the School Board but then it would have to be approved by North Central Association which takes it out of its independent study category, and defeats original purpose.

Another suggestion was to allow the independent study to substitute for a class course in the same field. This is even harder for, besides not having it count a "credit", and an obvious problem in scheduling, you face the impracticality of focusing too much attention in one area of a subject and ignoring the field as a whole which, is a benefit of education today.

The program would work better if it were held during summer vacation. It would help students because they aren't as busy in the summer months. It would also be much easier then, to pair up the students with a teacher.

Since teachers aren't as occupied in June, July, and August, this would also help them. (They are also paid by the hour instead of a salary which is cheaper for the tax payer-parent).

In all, it's a very worthwhile program that rewards you personally, in helping you to decide your future, as well as scholastically, by increasing your knowledge.

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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

by Jan Minor

am an individual and am subject Jordan in "Carousel". the protection and restriction good." of laws of society. But those laws must not be readily accepted as undisputed truth. I must judge this reporter suspects Carol it, live in my interpretation, and be willing to accept society's consequences for my beliefs in action.

My life must have meaning; living seems to breed rampant hypocrisy. If I exist not as a sincere, rational, openminded individual but as another of the typed inhabitants of the society which surrounds me, my life, too, will have no meaning."

Carol Hibbs, who authored that statement of her personal philosophy, was protesting the choice for Senior Spotlight. "I don't understand it. I'm not a very provocative person. I've always gone to Worthington schools"--she lives in Upper Arlington ---"and except for Europe I haven't for early April. traveled."

She explained that the European tour, which was "sort of a study tour", was a major event for several reasons:

"What can I say about Europe except that it was fantastic! But most important, I started thinking for myself. Before, I had always lived in the same place and led a very sheltered life. I still don't know a lot about the world. except the well-to-do environment around me. Whether a fault or an attribute, I don't know, but I am curious." There was a pause. "Face it, I'm nosy!" she laughed. "I want to contact different people, find out what's really happening. I'm looking forward to next year."

Next year will find Carol at Stevens College in Columbia, Missouri. "College," she stated, "holds no terrors for me, but it's difficult to get into a new environment right away. To me, the disadvantages of living in one place are greater than the advantages. It's given me confidence, but it's a front---I'm really a shy person, unsure of myself. People will read that and say 'Oh sure', but it's true."

But her shyness has not been insurmountable. "If there's one thing I've learned, it's responsibility," acknowledged Carol, no doubt reflecting on her duties as Prom co-chairman, Y-teens program chairman and assistant layout editor for the yearbook. She insisted, "I spend a lot of time wasting time. I don't do a lot, but I spend a lot of time doing it. Studying takes up the majority of my time. I write---I finally did it: I submitted something to the Acropolis. I read--anything from Fromm to Gibran. I like poetry and 'think' books. I play the piano," she added, "but for no one's benefit but my own."

Music is much of Carol's life. Topping three years in the choir,

whylookallover . . .

trymoodysfirst!!

"There exists no being who two years in ensemble and two has responsibility for my years in the operetta chorus, thoughts, my actions, my life. I Carol landed the role of Julie

to my own authority. This does "I'm really excited! It's a lot not imply that I am not under of work, but it's going to be

After snatching this interview in interludes between activities, each law, decide my reaction to Hibbs' spare time is a fallacy. Carol always seems to be immersed in at least two projects. For instance, she sat in on a Human Relations Club meeting and suggested ways that WHS might recognize National Black History Week. Last August at a Y-teens leadership conference, Carol proposed that Columbus try a version of a March for Hunger. Inspired by a magazine article called "They Walk For Hunger", which told of teenagers who earned money for each mile they walked along a route mapped out especially for the march. They contributed all earnings to a fund providing food for needy Americans. The YWCA Interclub Council now plans the march

> As Gibran wrote: "Your reason and your passion are the rudder and the sails of your sea-

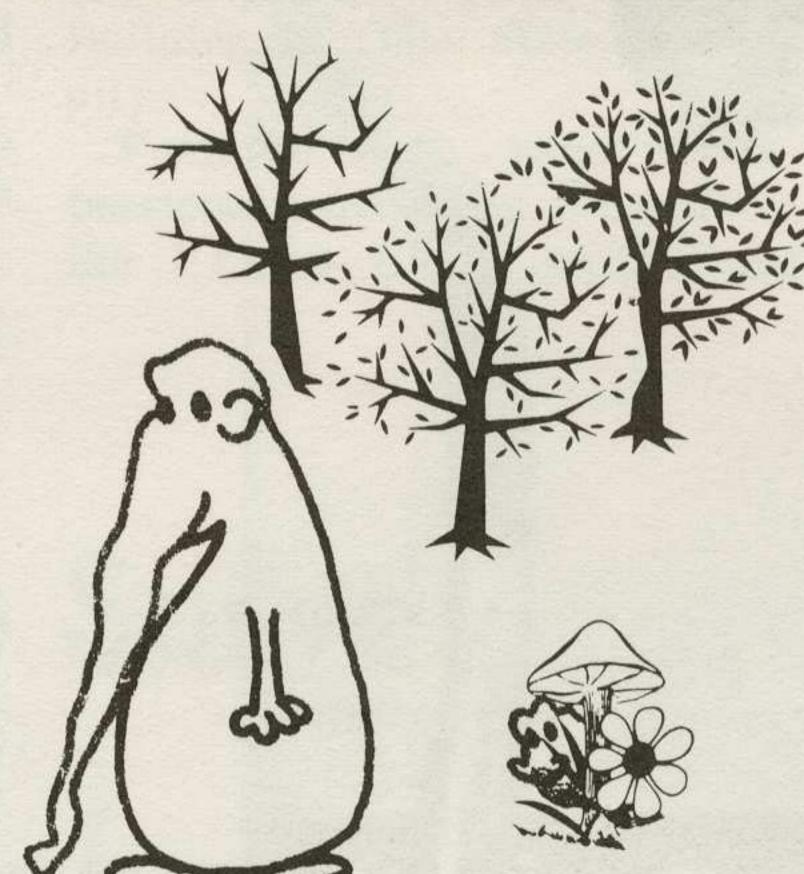


faring soul." Despite a rather staggering range of interests, Carol has not neglected schoolwork. This year, her second as a member of NHS, she was nominated as one of WHS' candidates for a nationally awarded scholarship.

"Instead of leaving, as Robdid, was so sure I didn't have a chance that I stayed to help count the votes. It was quite a shock to learn I'd been chosen---and quite an honor."

Remember The Narghile

Many people know that February fourteenth involves St. Valentine's Day. This is quite a romantic holiday, but other festivals also occuring on this day, and more worthy of the recognition, are apathetically pushed aside by their collegue holiday. One of the prime examples of this unfair cruelty involves Narghile Day. Now, few people can admit that they know what this day means, and that is



such a pity. No one realizes how the unfair celebration of Valentine's upset the narghile. Hardly anyone knows who he is or what he is. It's best that you find out soon before the narghile becomes extinct from a broken heart. The narghile is a small, hairy beast with a long, thin nose. He is known for emitting a sweet fragrance similar to incense. In fact, the oils secreted from his body provide the main ingredient for many fine Indian incenses. This animal also breathes fire, which led people in the ancient days to believe that he

was a dragon. Actually, the fables about him are too flattering for his meek ways, for he never kidnapped a princess, nor did he fight with knights. In fact, the poor creature is frightened of any being bigger than he is. That's probably why few people ever see a narghile. Besides, the narghile has been extinct in America for 400 years. The natives of this country and of other nations who knew and loved the narghile respected him with worthy admiration,

The ornate celebration dis-

plays the great understanding that narghile advocates have for this delicate creature. Preparations begin three weeks in advance. Women prepare delectable dishes for the narghile. The men whittle elmwood branches into decorative planks to make the sacred nest for the narghile. Then, before the break of day on the fourteenth, small children practice the lyrics to the traditional narghile song. The words to this famous song have been unfortunately lost to the world, never to appear again. Anyway, the next step in the celebration involves the coordination of all the preparations. Finally, at high noon, the narghile, who has been in hibernation all winter, comes from his winter quarters. The people are breathless as the narghile looks to the sky and billows his first smoke. It is at this time that the people leave their offerings to the narghile. Then they return home to celebrate this first day of spring. And you thought the ground hog was the one to welcome spring!

Everything Was Going To Be Nice, So Nice., You Must Believe Me!

by Sherri Link

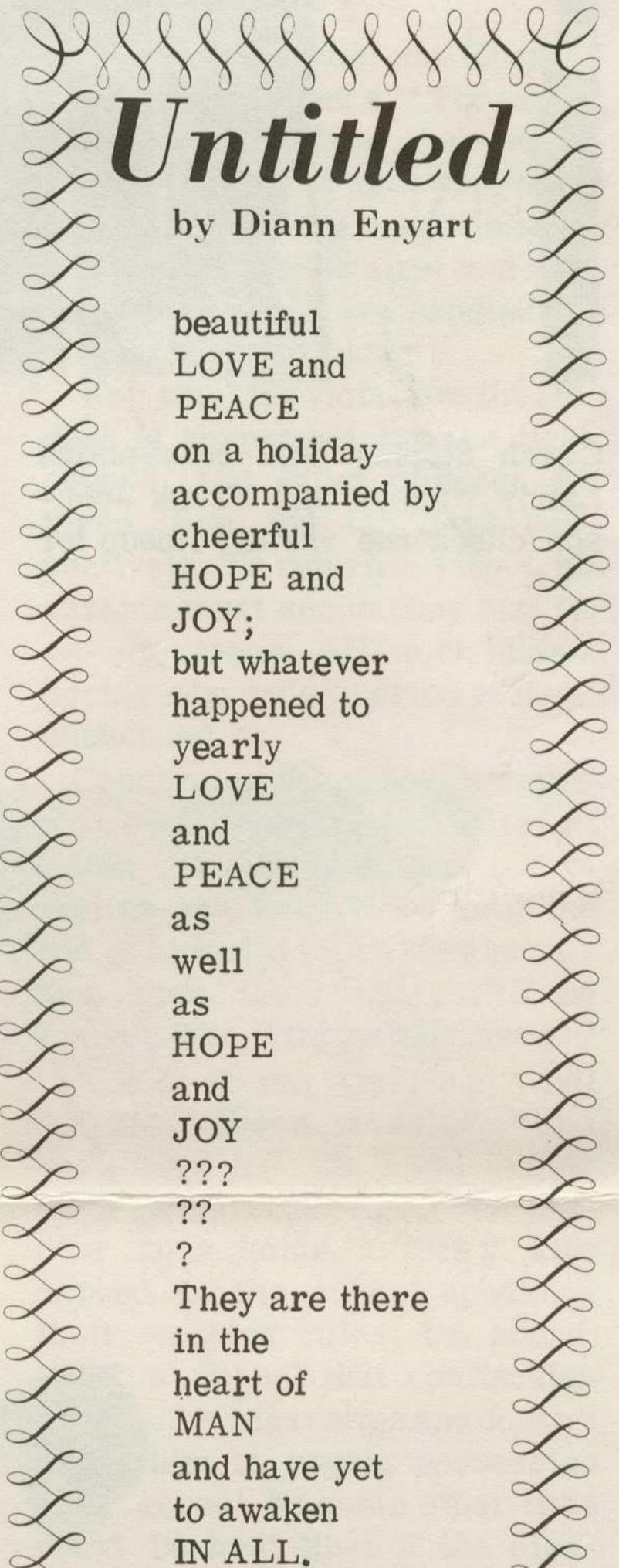
"It all started so innocently, it really did. And it was even one of the most important lessons I would teach my little children," a middle-aged lady began.

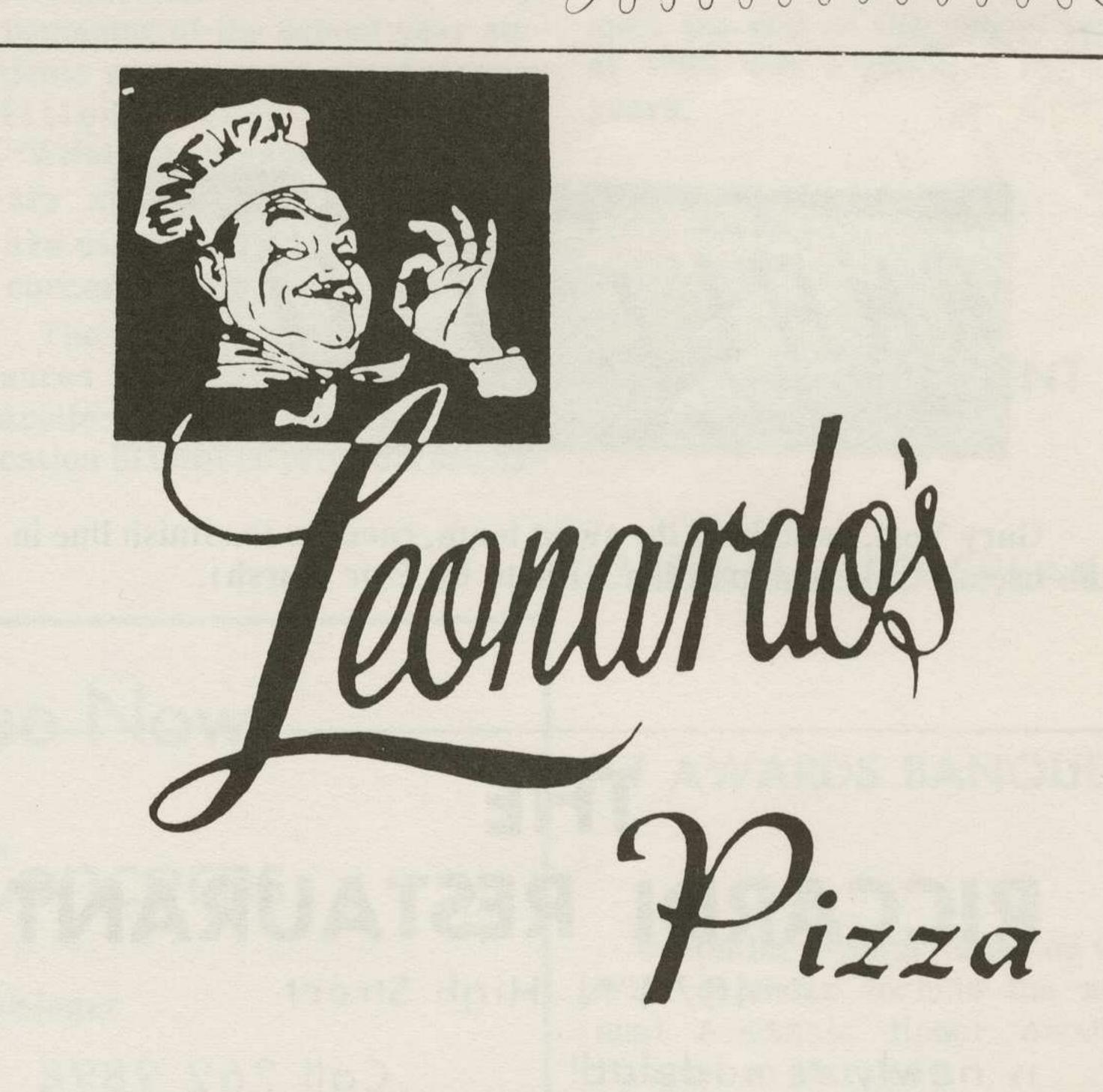
"I dedicated the whole afternoon to this special project. The children were excited as all second-graders get. They really looked anxious to make their valentines and their pretty little valentine boxes. I started with instructions and did not even anticipate trouble. Shall I begin?" A nod from an elderly man sent her on.

"It was Timothy first, I'm sure it was. I told him it was the rounded-edge scissors, you know the blunt-ended ones. But no, he took MY pair and scared poor sweet Karen when he threatened to gorge her. Now, I had the red paper all stacked neatly and the white lace paper carefully arranged. And I can still see them grabbing and fighting for them. Do you think it ended there?" A timely shake of his head urged the woman to con-

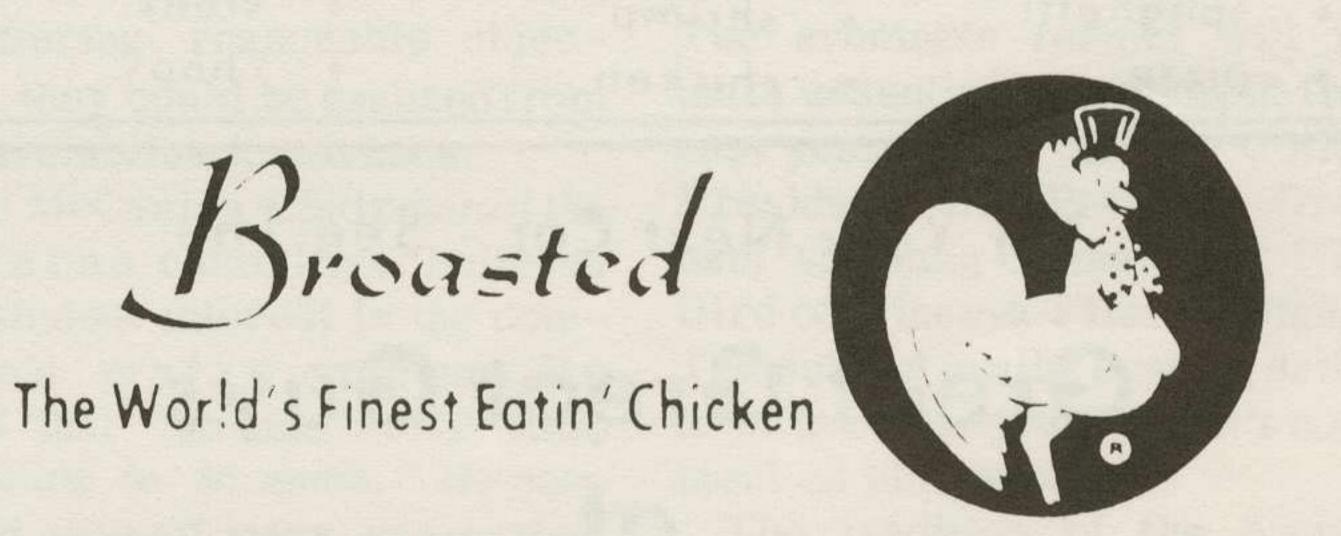
"The articles were all distributed. I asked the students to delicately make their own valentines. . . Those young people could not even handle the poor chick delicately; remember I told you it died when Fredrick squeezed it to death seeing how loud it could cheep. Oh, my beautiful art projects I had hoped to be so proud of! They came out to be disasters. Cindy refused to cut her valentines in the traditional shape. I told her that even if her father was a doctor and had told her hearts were not shaped that way, she was to conform. George would not write sweet and tender sayings on his valentine. I did not like the way he referred to mush.

It was such a long afternoon. remember distinctly the stretching rows of boxes. There were shoe boxes, and shoe boxes, and shoe boxes. I did not think there was that much difference between Lazarus shoe boxes and Gilbert's shoe boxes, but my students felt there was. I tried to supervise the glue and paste. I had trouble keeping the children from eating them. Joan went home with a clump of hair glued together. The boxes turned out to be a mess, but not quite as great of a mess as they left. Now Doctor, I do not think I got my lesson plans across at all. Do I still have to come back tomorrow?"



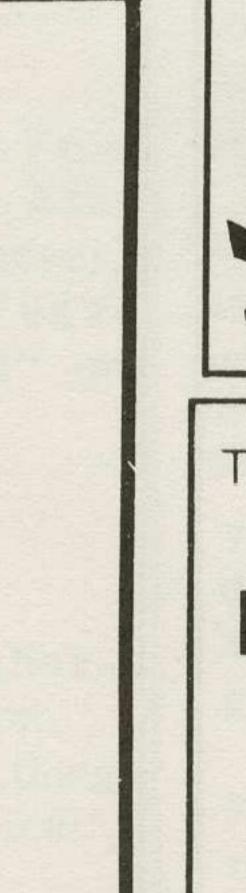


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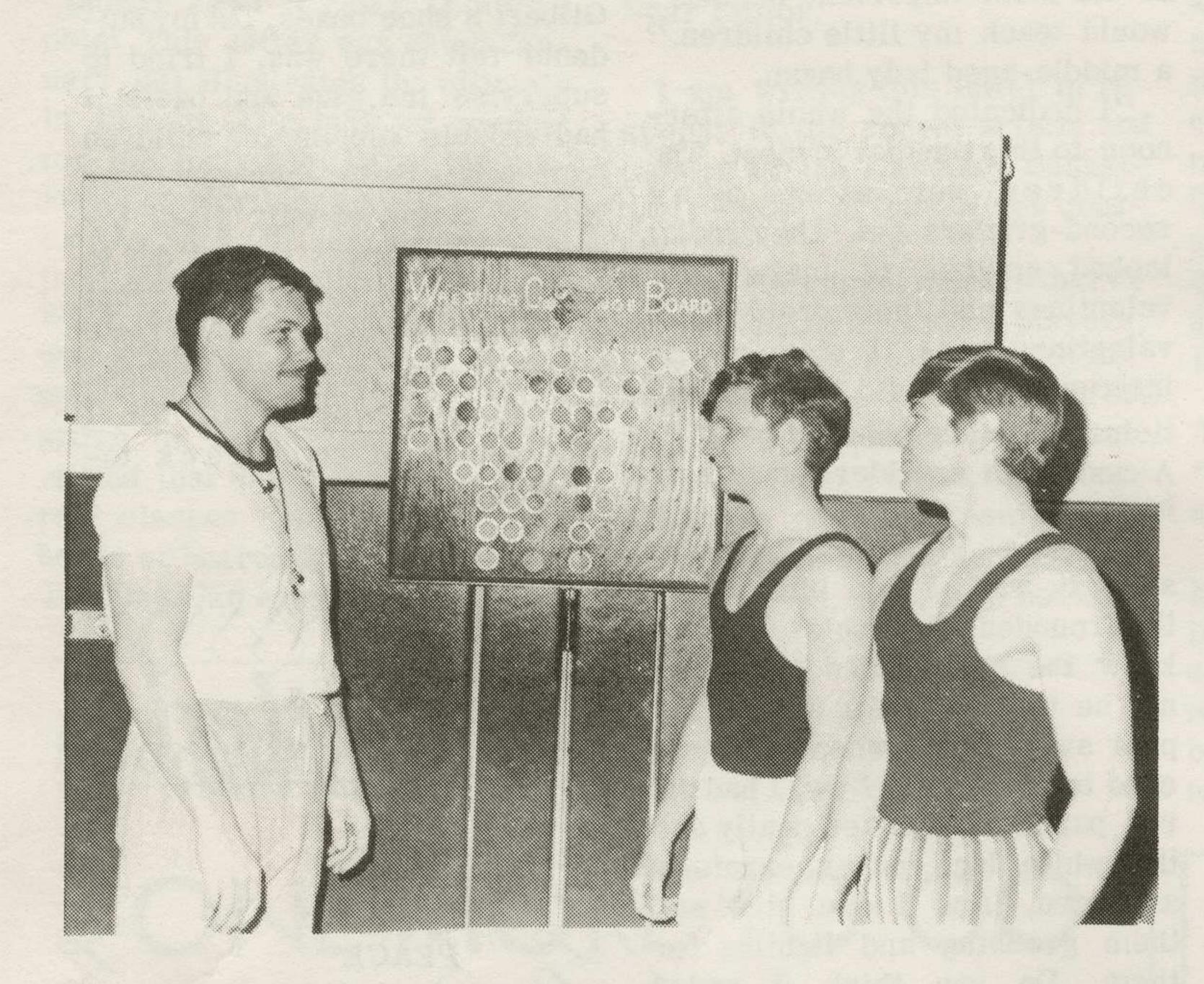
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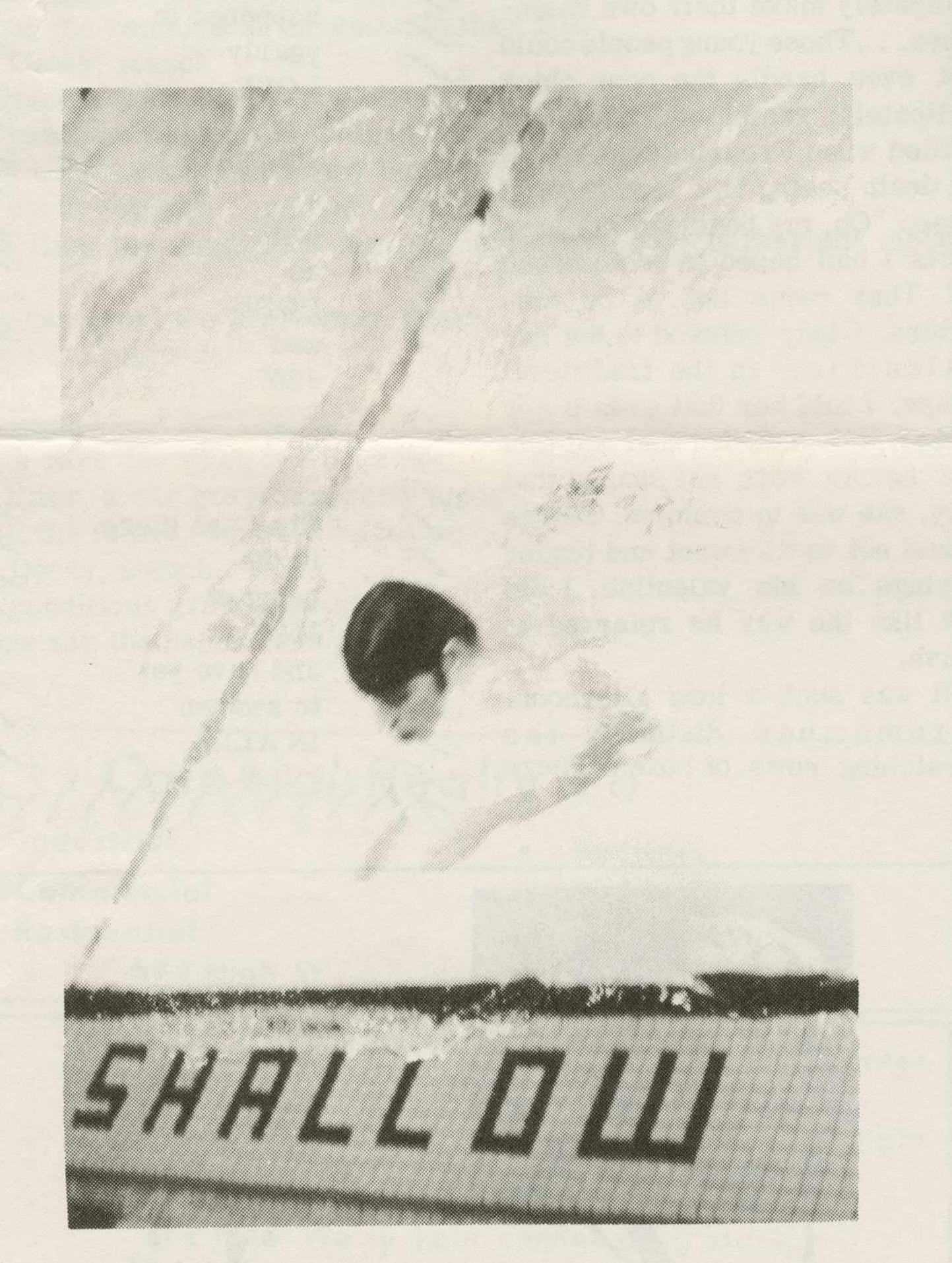
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GRAPPLERS READY FOR TOP EIGHT MEET



Lanny Wagner and Frank Johnson check the varsity lineup for

Coach Stephan and co-captains tomorrow's Top Eight tournament at DeSales.



Gary Yost, captain of the swim team, races to the finish line in the breaststroke competition. (Photo by Eric Hursh).

BASKETBALL

by Steve Chappelear

Worthington's pace setting basketballers, still out in front in the Ohio Capitol Conference by 1/2 game, will fight for the championship clincher tonight at Mt. Vernon. Second place Whitehall will be in action at Delaware Hayes. Whitehall is still in contention for at least a share of the OCC crown after they make up their lost game against Pleaweather.

CARDS RACE TO

OCC CROWN

sant View. Their earlier game opponents 60. Leading scorer was cancelled due to inclement for the Yellowjackets is Doug Savage. Savage is currently Coach Keith Merrin's fourth averaging a healthy 18 point total place Yellowjackets will be per game to place him 5th in the braved for an upset in Mt. Ver- OCC individual scoring race. non tonight. The Mt. Vernon team Savage had a hot hand in the Jan. has racked up 7 wins to 5 losses 2 game on Worthington's home but has managed to put only 708 court as he hit on 66% of his points on the scoreboard against shots to lead all scorers with 29 the opponents 721. The offense points. The rest of the Yellowhas been averaging 59 points to jackets had an exceptionally bad night shooting a frigid 19%. Worthington came out on top in that encounter 68-58.

> Worthington's well rounded offense has been averaging almost that each game. The cardinal five averages 65 points to opponents 54. Leading scorer Brad Forward has been averaging 13 points each game. Forward is ninth in individual league scor-

Tomorrow night the Cards will again be on the road, this time in the regular season finale at Lancaster. Lancaster is currently holding down third place in the Central Ohio League behind titans Newark and Zanesville with an even 4-4 record. Biggest chore for the Worthington defense will be to halt Dave Miller, third leading scorer in the COL with a 15 point average. The Lancaster Gales have not met Worthington yet this year.

Drawings for the 47 school class AA district tournament were held last Tuesday, Feb. 10. The first games will begin on Feb. 19 and will continue until the Central District champion is crowned March 7. The AA regionals will be held at Ohio University in Athens.

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CHRONICLE SWIMMING CHART

Meet	Date	Score
Sandusky Perkins	Dec. 6	63-32
Newark	Dec. 10	51-44
Upper Arlington Relays	Dec. 13	2 in 10
Denison Relays	Dec. 19	2 in 9
Princeton	Jan. 10	52-43
Upper Arlington	Jan. 14	37-58
Mansfield Malabar	Jan. 16	47-48
Greenfield McClain	Jan. 21	66-29
Massillon Washington	Jan. 23	69-26
Mt. Vernon	Jan. 24	56-39
Whetstone	Jan. 30	75-20
Mansfield Malabar	Jan. 31	1 in 9



Craig Deville swims over to the side after a dive at the Mount Vernon meet. (Photo by Eric Hursh).

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