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By KAREN MacMURDY

Next year's sophomore class will be confronted with various programs - new and old. This year a class at Darien was designed to smooth the transition from junior high to high school. A Sophomore Advisory Committee formed earlier this year and chaired by Marilyn Deraney, Darien English teacher, is planning what will be the biggest change for next year's sophomores - the creation of the Sophomore Advisory Program. Under this program, with the cooperation of volunteer teachers, each of approximately twenty staff members would be working with a group of twenty sophomores. The staff member, or 'sophomore advisor,' will meet with his or her group approximately twelve times during the course of the first semester in an effort to familiarize the students with academic and athletic, and other extracurricular programs at Darien. The majority of these meetings would be concentrated during the early part of the first semester and then become less frequent as sophomores became more sure of themselves at Darien. The sophomores advisors would also aid students in such areas as proper computer replaces arena scheduling

By DAVID BAUDER

That annual mad scramble in the gym known as "arena scheduling" will not be held this year, if all goes according to the plans of the Guidance Department. Instead, a sophisticated computer system will be programmed to do all the work of assigning students to their next year's courses.

The computer system was conceived and approved earlier this year and chaired by Gerald Heffernan, director of the Guidance Department.

"After all of next year's seniors are scheduled in late June, and then the system will continue for next year's juniors and sophomores," Mr. Heffernan finds many advantages to this new system compared to the old method. "One advantage is that the computer fills in the blanks, so to speak. Each student will get a lottery number and copies of the master schedule. Everyone will be in his or her first choice schedule prior to the computer programming. And also, there will be a second choice ready. The computer fills out the student's schedule just as it is done in the arena."

One difference will be that the computer will schedule a person's entire program before moving on to the next lottery number. "This system is easier because everybody gets a total program before the next person gets to go," commented Mr. Heffernan. "Under the old system the whole process took them about three days."

The Sophomore Advisory Program is designed to help sophomores learn to budget their free time sensibly and ease the transition from junior high where silent study halls prevailed to high school, where there is a required silent study period per semester.

As of yet, no decision has been made concerning exactly where these silent studies will be held or who will supervise them. Although Dr. Robbins stated that he would like to decrease the amount of supervisory work done by teachers and increase the role of students and senior monitors in that capacity, it is certain that with the addition of sophomores silent study duty to the cafeteria and ball duty that teachers will have to do some supervisory duty or another. Sophomores who do academically well first semester may be released from the silent study requirement second semester.

In addition, any sophomores who are reading below grade level will be required to work in the E-wing Reading Lab during those days when his gym class does not meet.

Finally, the change most likely to upset those sophomores who are eagerly awaiting to get their driver's licenses, is that due to the shortage of campus parking spaces, sophomores will not be allowed to drive to school next year except under special circumstances.

Financial Woes, Personnel Conflicts Trouble 308

By JAMIE Mac KENZIE

Theater 308 has experienced serious financial difficulties this year, due to low attendance at productions and, according to Director Jon Edwards, the absence of a fund for theater in the school budget. The organization has received a short-term loan from the soda machine fund, and it hopes to pay back the loan with the proceeds from the spring musical My Fair Lady, to be produced in early May.

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disappointing this year. At the conclusion of Bus Stop, which broke even, the group had accumulated a debt of $430. Theater 308 has paid off this debt with the loan from the soda machine fund, and it hopes to pay back the loan with the proceeds from the spring musical My Fair Lady, to be produced in early May.

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John Gilson feels that outside activities are "not a big problem" for 308, citing the fact that some members have quit jobs in order to eliminate conflicts.
Big Changes For Sophomores

When news of the planned assigned silent study halls, Reading Lab, Sophomore Advisory Program, and ban on sophomore cars came to campus, there was a great deal of anxiety. However, when the plan was presented in an organized manner, the Chamber of Commerce agreed to work towards implementation of the plan. Robert Velesbir, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, stated that the plan was a positive step towards improving the academic climate at DHS.

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There has been much discussion about the need for a fund-raising activity for Theater 308. Mr. Edwards, the drama teacher, has a group of students who are interested in producing a play. However, the school has no money to support the production. Mr. Edwards has suggested that the play could be performed at a local community center and that the proceeds could be used to fund the project. However, there is no guarantee that the community center would be interested in hosting the play.


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Seaworthy Students Study Biology

By ALEX ANDRIUK

What could possibly lure a Darien High School senior to spend two weeks on a ship in the middle of the ocean ... in February?! "Interest, probably, and sincere wish to gain experience," commented Mark Berlinger, a DHS student. "I wasn't overly worried about the weather on the trip, but I did want to see what this sea research thing was all about," he said. Mark was among several other DHS students that went on trips to study marine biology. Mark, along with another Darien High School student, Scott Sec, was a member of the crew of the S.S. Delaware, this 105-foot research vessel was part of an extensive investigation of the effects of sea pollutants on the clam and other related species. Their purpose was threefold: to determine the amount of pollution present in these areas, to conduct the populations of the various species, and finally, to determine the feasibility of a new strain of clam, called the "artesian" or "quohog," as a possible food source.

Mark and Scott spent to Sandy Hook Laboratories in New Jersey, where they were greeted by storms and icy conditions. This first expedition in which they were to become involved was called off, and the two boys returned to Darien. At 6 a.m. on April 22, Mark received a phone call from Norfolk, Virginia, an hour later the two were on a plane headed for the research base in Norfolk. Here they were greeted by Mark, an assigned cabin, and given their assignments. The S.S. Delaware left the following morning at 10:00 a.m.

The investigations on board were set up in different areas; one involved clams and the other had the 12 to 6 a.m. shift, also called the "dogwatch," said Mark. "Let me say this much: it was more than an experience... it was hell!" Mark's watch was generally responsible for a procedure called "shucking." They would separate the contents of the shells from the themselves, and the former would be sent up for investigation. They were also responsible for sorting the "mud catches," separating and counting the species, and sending these animals up for analysis.

Mark of his adventures: "I would most certainly repeat the trip if I had the chance. We learned more about sea research than I could have hoped to learn in a full course on the subject. Next time, though, I'll bring more gear ... a better stereo for star gazers!"

All-School Musical 'My Fair Lady' Set For Early May Showing

By MARY ELLYN KIGGINS

The all-school musical My Fair Lady will be presented at Darien High School on May 6 and 7 at 8:15 p.m. and on May 8 at 3:00 p.m. Tickets, which were available for a student price of $2.00 the first week of sales, are now available for the price of $3.00 per ticket.

The musical, which is produced by Darien High School and co-produced by Theatre 308, will be directed and choreographed by Jon Edwards (of Mama fame). Assisting Mr. Edwards will be Greg Kienan as stage manager and Edward Jantusch as musical director.

Since My Fair Lady is an all-school musical, it will involve various aspects of the High School including the vocal, band, and theatrical departments. The cast consists of about 87 actors, actresses, singers, and dancers, and including the orchestra, totals about 100 cast members.

This year's musical production involves many new faces, which Mr. Edwards feels is important and "good for school morale." He also pointed out that involving people who are not particularly known as theatrical shows that "everybody has the talent." Leading the cast, which Mr. Edwards termed "very easy to work with," are Suzi Costes as the cockney flower girl Eliza Doolittle, Kip Haasagen as Professor Higgins, Clark Porter as Colonel Pickering, Bob Baker as Mr. Dibridge, and Steve Miller as Freddy Hill.

The story takes place in England in the early 1900's and involves polished English people and the Cockney (the English lower class). It concerns a professor who is a master of dialects, who makes a bet with a colonel that he can turn a common, uneducated flower girl into a lady and pass her off as a duchess at the embassy.

In this production Mr. Edwards noted that they will be trying to do a lot with lighting and costumes. The highlight of the play will come with the scene in which the cast sings and dances to the number "Get Me To The Church On Time." Among Mr. Edwards main goals in presenting "My Fair Lady" is "to get a student and adult audience" because as he explains, no theatrical production, except perhaps the senior class play, draws a good crowd.

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DHS Hobbies Weird, Exotic, Bizarre

By JAMIE MacKENZIE And JEANNE MUELLER

The busy schedules of most high school students leave little time for extracurricular activities which are unrelated to school. Years ago many people were involved in hobbies which they pursued at home in their spare time, but in recent years have gone out of fashion for both students and adults alike. However, Neird has discovered some members of the DHS community who are currently in interesting and unusual hobbies. We have selected the following as examples.

Senior Leslie Evans has one of the more unusual hobbies we ran across. Leslie collects toilet paper from the different countries and cities she stays in on her travels abroad. She has collected over 30 different kinds of paper from such places as Mont Blanc, the highest of the French Alps, Hungary, Innsbruck and Salzburg, Austria, Zurich and Geneva in Switzerland, several French cities including the Louvre in Paris, and Hitler's Eagle's Nest and Schönbrunn in Germany. Each different sample has its own characteristic texture and design.

According to Leslie, she decided to start her collection because European toilet paper was of such poor quality that she thought it would be amusing to save some and show it to friends in the U.S. She describes the texture of European toilet paper as ranging from </s>
Bicyclists Take To Road

By Noreen Tully

As the weather warms up, car windows roll down, convertible tops roll back, and more and more people can be spotted cyclewise.

Robert Lyons, a member of the English Department at DHS, started this year's bicycling season on March 1. He says by that time "I'm ready for a change" from his winter sport, ice skating. Mr. Lyons, who began biking seriously in 1974, has since cycled over 10,500 miles. He hopes to hit a total of 15,000 this season as well. He has cycled from New Canaan to Bar Harbor, Maine, has traveled the Gaspe Peninsula in Quebec, and plans to bike cross-country this summer. When on tour, his bicycling average is at least 75 miles per day.

Gail Hoyt, one of the many students who bike, has cycled 900 miles throughout New England and 1400 miles in Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin. For the trips, she works up to 20 miles a day preparing herself. What are the advantages over riding in a car? Gail says, "First, you see the trees while the bikers see the leaves."

Rebecca Strominger, girls' physical education coach, takes to her bike whenever the spirit moves her. She has traveled through Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket, and can be seen riding around the Ridgefield area. She bikes for the scenery and enjoys sharing her cycling with other people.

Betsy Seel, student, can be seen almost any day pulling up in front of the school on her Schwinn La Tour. For Betsy, cycling is a means of transportation. "It's made me independent," she says.

Bill Dobbs, student at DHS, has traveled with his bike overseas in the annual Owen-Laidi summer tour, available to senior high students. For five weeks in 1975, he biked with 16 people throughout England and southern France.

As more and more people opt for two-wheel travel, one wonders what the attraction is. As paraphrased from one biker, it's a chance to become a participant with the sights, sounds and fragrances nature has to offer, a refreshing, if occasional, reprieve from being an observer only through the confines of a four-wheeled vehicle.

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Rackettes Rally For Wins

By LESLIE EVANS

Ever since the first signs of spring appeared, the DHS girls' tennis team has been conditioning and practicing for their up-coming season. The girls are striving to maintain their excellent record of last year. At the end of last season, the team posted a 13-2 record, losing only to the Greenwich team. In addition to their fine record, the girls also succeeded in winning the Eastern Division title.

However, many of last year's top-seded players, competing both in singles and doubles matches, graduated last June. This year's team's hopes were further dimmed when their tracksterettes, keep your albums away from the track. This season, the team posted a 12-2 record, good depth. We have a good chance of winning the division title.

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Tracksters Break School Records

By JEANNE MUELLER

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Sailing Team Captains Set Season's Course

By CRAIG SINCLAIR and PHILIPPA BOWLEY

In the past few years, sailing at Darien High has not been very organized, but this season it is healthy. Frank Hammel, John Shutts and Dave Hill are putting together a team that has the potential to be a strong team.

It's a good thing that the captains are organizing the team, because it will not, and never has, had a full-fledged coach. However, they will have an advisor, John Shutts, who not only designed the Super-Sunfish, but is also a national champion in that class.

Besides possessing a skilled and well-informed sailor for an advisor, the team is also blessed with some exceptional talent. Doug Graham, Virginia Isles representative in the Olympics last summer, will be a bulwark for the team.

"We have enough people.\" Dave Hill, number one player and captain-to-be, chose to attend private school this year. In spite of the loss of many fine players, the future of the team is certainly not bleak. A welcome surprise to the team, sophomores Terry Fogarty, has emerged as the team's #1 singles player. Barb Hunter, who was #1 last year's team, is presently holding down the #2 position.

Co-captains Amy Pollard and Cindy Davis pose before their first game of the season, against Westhill. Even though they did not win, Amy said afterwards, "The team did very well. Westhill is just a very experienced team."

(Photos by Polly Emmons)

Softball Scrimmage Presages Successful Season For Girls

By PHILIPPA BOWLEY

New Canaan's batting was fruitless against the ruthless DHS girls' softball team as they failed to get on base in the first three innings of the scrimmage last Thursday, April 7. "From the looks of that scrimmage we're going to do a lot better than last year,\" said Cindy Davis, a co-captain.

Westhill, the team's first competitor, is tough, but the DHS girls did well against them last year and hope to make the same this year's first win.

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Mittmen Open, Top Rams

By DAVID BAUDER

Pitching is the key element in the success of any baseball team. In the case of the DHS mittmen, the uncertain aspect of the pitching staff makes it difficult to forecast whether or not they will accomplish their goal of improving on last year's 12-8 record.

"It's difficult to be confident when your pitching isn't proven," said Coach George Nelson, entering his fifteenth year at the helm. "By the time we get through the first five or six games we'll have a better idea of our outlook."

 Ike Coutemarch is the only hurler with varsity experience, and he is expected to lead the staff. "Ike's not overpowering, but he keeps the ball low and gets it over the plate," said Coach Nelson. Seniors Doug Simpson, Chris Spaulding and junior Broce Styrsky will also test their arms. Sophomore Randy Rosic is the number one relief pitcher.

Greg Dorelli and John Kratky will split the duty behind the plate, and Randy Starr will be at first base. Seniors Peter Stasson and Mike Barrett didn't do quite so well against the Rams, 4-2. Though three of the runs came as direct results of some kindly assists from the New Canaan infield, the pitching performances of Ike Coutemarch and Randy Rosic made the game a very positive one for Darien.

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Mixed Results

By BOB FERGUSON

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DHS junior gymnast Clay Moltz highlighted his young career Saturday, April 9, as he won the still rings competition at the National Boys' Invitational Gymnastic Meet in Philadelphia.

Competing for the New Canaan YMCA, Moltz scored a 7.3 on the rings to defeat over 175 other gymnasts to win the title in the 15-18-year-old age group. Clay also accumulated 42.3 points in the six event all-around competition, which was good enough for seventh place.

"We didn't know until the banquet [which was held after the meet, and where the awards were presented]...how I had done in the Senior Nationals," Clay commented in reference to his victory. Moltz said that he was "stunned" when it was announced that he had taken first place. Clay also stated, "I was very pleased with my all-around score, because it was six points better than my previous best."

Moltz's top all-around total before the NBI meet was 39 points in the FCIAC Championships in November.

One of the most dedicated athletes in Darien, Clay works out for three hours every day (excluding Sundays) all year round. He is presently training for the U.S. Gymnastics Federation Junior Nationals, which will begin on July 16 in Boulder, Colorado. Moltz will be teaming with Mark Rosenberg of Stamford and Dave Martino of Greenwich in Colorado, as he did in Philadelphia.

"This meet will be even tougher than the NBI," Clay related on the subject of the Junior Nationals, "because we have to score eighty points [total in compulsory and optional routines] to qualify. Because we have to qualify," he continued, "it will be an even higher caliber meet. Clay will attempt to qualify at a regional meet at West Point in June. During the Blue Wave gymnastics season, Moltz won the Fairfield County all-around title, and was runner-up in three events in the State Championships, as well as in the all-around. Coach Isidore Battino will be attempting to guide Clay and his other gymnasts to a third straight state championship. Clay will be captain along with John Reichart, Vinny Pennolli, a nationally certified judge and an assistant coach at Southern Connecticut State College (which finished third in the recent NCAA gymnastics championships), is Moltz's coach from December to August.

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