

THE FALCON

Volume 16

Number 8

June 4, 1960

1960 HONOR STUDENTS

Students who have earned a "B" average in their subjects throughout their three years in Senior High School become honor students. No student makes this honor if he gets an "E" in any subject, or a "D" or an "E" in citizenship. In the Class of 1960 we have nine honor students. They are:

Walter Sitko, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Sitko, Boyertown, Pennsylvania

Marjorie Pastelak, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Pastelak, 709 East Howard Street, Stowe, Pennsylvania

Susan Kozel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kozel, 46 Fairview Street, Stowe, Pennsylvania

Charles Schmoyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schmoyer, R. D. #3, Pottstown, Pennsylvania

John Stahl, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Stahl, R. D. #3, Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

Mary Ann Rozsas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rozsas, 308 E. Race Street, Stowe, Pennsylvania

Patricia Panfile, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Panfile, 304 Berks Street, Stowe, Pennsylvania

Eileen Pinder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pinder, 817 Little Vine Street, Stowe, Pennsylvania.

Rachel Lenko, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lenko, Grosstown Road, Stowe, Pennsylvania.

--C. Schmoyer

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

Baccalaureate was held on Sunday, May 22, at 7:30 P.M. In the Pottsgrove High School Auditorium.

The sermon was offered by Reverend Howard A. Kosman, pastor of Zion's United Church of Christ.

The invocation and benediction were

SENIOR AWARDS

On Class Day, May 25, the annual awards were presented.

The American Legion award was presented to one girl and one boy from the eighth grade. The recipients were Jerry Myers and Phyllis Ravenscroft.

The American Legion Auxiliary presented its award to Jane Petrick of the ninth grade.

The Underwood "Best Typist" award was presented to Vanda Boyer, a member of the junior class.

The following awards were presented to the seniors: Alumni Award, Kenneth Knopp; American Institute of Chemical Engineers, Charles Schmoyer; Arion Foundation Award, Barbara Dimon; Basco Flight Award, Anita Gambino and Robert Wirag; Parent Teachers Award, Genevieve Dolla; Danforth Foundation Award, Judy Reifsnnyder and John Meko; Daughters of the American Revolution Award, Mary Ann Rozsas; Harriet L. Kulp Memorial, Carole Varady; John Philip Sousa Award, John Meko; Lions Club of Pottstown Award, Susan Kozel; Lions Club of Pottsgrove Award, Rachel Lenko, Walter Sitko, Susan Kozel, Eileen Pinder; Pat Panfile, Mary Ann Rozsas, Marjorie Pastelak, Charles Schmoyer, John Stahl; Moose Lodge Award, Mary Ann Rozsas; Pottsgrove Teachers, Walter Sitko; Association Award Walter Sitko; Rotary Club Award, Eileen Pinder and Charles Schmoyer; Sons of the American Revolution Award, Pat Gudadgno; W. O. Cressman Award, Kathy Frederick; Underwood Award for the Best Office Worker; Judy Meade; F. F. A. Award John Stahl. Our Congratulations to every one of the recipients!

offered by Reverend Edgar M. Cooper, pastor of the New Hanover Lutheran Church.

The scripture lesson and prayer were offered by Reverend Richard C. Gordon, pastor of Brethern In Christ Church,

EDITOR

Eileen Pinder

ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Marie Brunner
Mary Ellen Miller
Mary Ann Rozsas

CIRCULATION MANAGER

Carole Weaver

BUSINESS MANAGER

Pearl Miller

ASSISTANT CIRCULATION

Gloria Sue Dunlap
Janet Hoffman
Carol Hunsberger
Mary Ann Moletress
Susan Kozel

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORTER

Mary Ann Rozsas

ART EDITOR

Judy Meade

GIRL'S SPORTS EDITORS

Pat Panfile
Carol Varady

BOY'S SPORTS EDITORS

Tim Cooney
Allan Hutt
Charles Schmoyer
Robert Wirag

REPORTERS

Gerry Boyer, Norma Decker, Nancy Favinger, Pat Guadagno, Jean Hunsberger, Mary Ann Istenes, Cheryl Jackson, Annette John, Margie Knopp, Helen Maylath, Pat Miller, Peggy Neiman, Barbara Saylor, and Surelee Tosher.

ADVISORS

Mrs. Kathryn Wenhold
Mr. Julius Raymond

C L A S S D A Y

Class Day, as most of us are aware, is the day when seniors are presented various awards for the certain characteristics they upheld throughout the school year.

A skit is also presented by the seniors in the order of a reunion years later. The reading of their last will and testament is another event along with the passing on of the gavel and gown to the following class.

This is what class day, in general, is. Now the question stands: "Is class day necessary?" Everyone, of course, will have his own ideas on the subject. Here are a few points brought out by various students, when asked, "Do you think class day is necessary?"

Some felt that class day was an old tradition, and it was looked forward to by every senior; it was the last time the class would be together.

Then the idea that the seniors schedule was at its capacity without class day was mentioned. They felt that eliminating class day would not be a great loss.

Class day is the same thing year after year. It may be interesting for the seniors; but oh, the poor, bored Student Body. It is in such a routine that by the time you are a freshman, you would know what is coming next.

If class day isn't of interest, how could it be missed? With all the preparation it takes to prepare for it and the time that is wasted, what is the use for it? For the seniors, it is a tight schedule. Rather than practice for class day, most seniors would like to study for their next exam instead of having a split schedule; such as, an exam the first hour and a half of the morning and then practice for class day the remaining part of the morning. The same schedule is involved in the afternoon.

It was mentioned that, instead of a skit given by the seniors, a full-length movie should be shown. This way class day could be interesting to the Student Body as well as the senior class.

--M. Brunner

FALCON THINCLADS DEFEAT INDIANS

April 29, the Falcon Track team walked off with their first win of the season in a dual meet with Upper Perkiomen.

In the track events Bob Wirag won first place in the 440 yd run; also taking first honors for the Falcons were Harry White in the 220, Jay Novak in the mile. First mile relay were Jim Sitko, Mike Migala, Harry White and Bob Wirag. Harry White took second place, and Jim Sitko took third in 100 yd. dash while in the 880 Jay Novak took second place.

In the Field events, Pottsgrove took 3 of 5 first places. Bob Gauger took first and Wayne Hurst second in the shot-put event. Mike Migala came third in the disc throw, with Bill Logan first in the javelin throw. In the high jump contest Guy Rimel was tie for second place. Bob Wirag took the final win for the Falcons by jumping 19'1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " in the broad-jump event.

The Falcons tallied 55 points against Upper Perks 41.

Allen Hutt

MYERS ONE HITTER GAINS FALCON WIN

Jim Myers' superb pitching gave the Falcons 9-0 win over Jenkintown. Myers was at his best, giving up only on hit and fanning 14 Jenkintown batters and walking three.

The Falcons got off to an early start with 3 runs in the first stanza when Bill Logan tripled home George Millard and Wayne Hurst. Bill then scored on a single by Dave Rumler.

Pottsgrove scored three more runs in the second inning, two more in the fourth and one more in the sixth. The win was the fourth for the Falcons this season.

Allen Hutt

FALCONS BUMP BLUEBIRDS 8*3

The Pottsgrove Falcons came on strong in the final three innings at Schwenksville to trip the bluebirds 8-3.

The win was the fifth for the Falcons in nine Inter-County league engagements.

The Falcons registered three big runs in the sixth inning on Gary Schaeffer's

double and on walks to Dave Rumler and Jim Myers. Nick Falcone accounted for a sacrifice fly while George Millard registered a two-run single.

Rumler's second single in the seventh produced the final two Pottsgrove markers. The winning pitcher was Jim Myers.

...Robert Wirag

COLLEGEVILLE TOPS FALCONS 5-4

The Falcons lost a tough one to the powerful colonels of Collegeville, 5-4. The loss was the second for the Falcons against three wins in Inter-County League competition.

Jim Myers, the losing pitcher, went the entire distance.

The big run for the falcons was Dave Rumler. Dave had two for three at the plate and also had two runs batted in.

Robert Wirag..

POTTSGROVE TRACKSTERS AT DANIEL BOONE

April 20, our track team journeyed to Daniel Boone High School for a track meet with Daniel Boone, Exeter, and Schuylkill Valley.

It was a close meet all the way for Daniel Boone, Exeter and Pottsgrove. Jay Novak lost the mile by a yard and came in second. Harry White copped second in the 100-yd dash and took first place in the 220. Bob Wirag took two firsts for Pottsgrove in the 880, and broad jump, in which he jumped 19'8". Jay Novak, Mick Migala, Harry White, and Bob Wirag won the mile relay. In the shot-put exhibition, Wayne Hurst placed third.

The Falcons accumulated a total of 28 points, to give them 2nd place in the meet. Daniel Boone and Exeter were tie for first.

Allen Hutt..

POTTSGROVE JUNIOR HIGH TOPS
CONSHOHOCKEN NINE

Pottsgrove Junior High notched its third lower Montco league victory by tripping Conshohocken 10-6.

Ron Kungelman led Pottsgrove with two hits and four RBI's.

George (Buddy) Smith was the winning Pottsgrove Pitcher.

John Robert Wirag

F.H.A. Sends Tow Delegates to Penn St.

The members of the F.H.A. Club have chosen two of their students to be delegates at a State Conference held at Penn State University.

The two girls chosen to accompany Mrs. Rambo are Nora Sitko and Susan Gohean. The girls will leave on June 13 and return June 15.

On May 11, 1960, members of the F.H.A. elected new officers for next year. They are: President, Nancy Levengood; Vice President; Doreen Stahl; Secretary, Nora Sitko; Treasurer; Joan Pelk; Historian; Mary Ellen Miller; Reporter; Joyce Daye; Parliamentarian; Susan Gohean.

The Club is under the direction of Mrs. Sara Rambo.

----- M.E. Miller

HONOR SOCIETY OFFICERS

Wednesday morning, May 18, 1960, the Pottsgrove Chapter of the National Honor Society held a meeting to elect officers for next year.

Those elected were; President, Harry White; Vice President, Sharon Acker; Secretary, Vanda Boyer, Treasurer, Jeff Pruner.

The outgoing officers are; President, Walt Sitko; Secretary, Marjorie Pastelak; Treasurer, Charles Schmoyer.

Members present were Walt Sitko, John Stahl, Marjorie Pastelak, Richard Kalwaic, Robert Sitko, Jeff Pruner, Dave Rumler, Dave Gaugler, Nancy Buchholtz, Harry White, Pat White, Mary Ellen Miller, Jean Hunsberger, Vanda Boyer, Sharon Acker, Judy Seregely, Carol Richard, Diane Johnson, Carol Stong, Richard Steltz, Phyllis Neiffer, and Nancy Favinger.

-----J. Hunsberger

MEMORIAL DAY (Decoration Day)

Other than a day off from school, Memorial Day, sometimes referred to as Decoration Day hold a higher significance. This holiday is observed throughout the whole United States to honor the members of the armed forces who gave their lives during the various wars in which the nation was engaged.

This practice was started by General John A. Logan who was commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic in 1888. He designated May 30 as the day for observing the graves of the men who fought the Civil War. Decoration Day soon became a gala national occasion being celebrated with parades and patriotic oratory in which the victory of the Northern armies was glorified.

Since the World War I this date, May 30, has been set aside to commemorate the dead of all the wars. The ceremonies are now sponsored by the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and other veteran organizations. -----M. Bruzner

IT'S POSSIBLE

A woman motorist was being examined for a driver's license.

Examiner: "And what is the white line in the middle of the road for?"

Janice: "Bicycles"

TEACHER'S PET

Did you hear about the cannibal kid who got kicked out of school because he buttered up too many teachers?

UPPER DUBLIN JH NIPS POTTS GROVE 2-0

The Pottsgrove Junior High School batters were shutout 2-0 by the Cardinals of Upper Dublin.

George Smith,, the Falcons talented seventh grader, hurled a four-hitter. Two unearned runs in the second sported Smith's bid for his third win.

The loss was the second for the Junior Falcons, who have also won two.

The Junior Falcons mounted a threat in the seventh when Ron Kunzleman singled and Reider and Fredrickson were walked to load with two out. Jim Dugger flied out to end the inning.

Robert Wirag

NINTH GRADE CLASS TRIP

This year, as is the custom, the ninth graders and their homeroom teachers visit Harrisburg, the state capitol. After visiting the state capitol, the students go through the Hershey Chocolate Plant. When their tour is over, they spend an afternoon of fun at the Hershey Amusement Park.

....Surllee Toscher

P.T.A. MEETING

On May 11, the final P.T.A. meeting of the year was held at Pottsgrove, Junior-Senior High School. The meeting was called to order at 3:00, and the installation of officers was conducted by Mrs. George Bickel, Pottstown, Southeast district P.T.A. vice-president.

The new officers are Mrs. Robert Reitenbaugh, president; Harry White first vice-president; Ronald Shafer, secretary; and Mrs. Newton Hauseman, treasurer.

Included in the meeting was the "Achievements". These included a Practical Arts show, a Homemakers's Fashion Show, and an Industrial Art Exhibit. These exhibits were arranged by Home Economics's teacher, Mrs. Lavinn Flathers and Mrs. Sara Rambo and by Industrial Arts teachers, Mr. Donald Cooke and Mr. Donald Losch.

Following the meeting, refreshments were served in the cafeteria.

....Norma Decker...

F. T. A. MEETING

The Future Teachers of America organization of our school held a meeting Wednesday, May 18, 1960 to elect new officers for next year. Mr. Moyer conducted the meeting in 105. This year's officers who were: President- John Meko Vice President - Mary Ann Roszas, Secretary - Susan Kozel; Treasurer - Ted Kass.

The newly elected officers for the 1960-1961 school year include: President Sharon Acker; Vice President - Dawn Brendlinger; Secretary - Norma Decker; Treasurer - Ronald Sekellick.

Mr. Moyer suggested having two librarians for the club. They would be in charge of obtaining various literature concerning other F. T. A. chapters and also college pamphlets and material on teaching as a career. This suggestion was put into a motion, seconded, and voted upon. Next year's librarians will be Susan Peach and Jay Novak.

During the course of this year, the club has been trying to decide whether to buy F. T. A. pins or not. The final decision arrived at during this meeting, was that they will be bought and paid for by the club members.

Two seniors, Pat Panfile and Eileen Pinder, stressed to the club, particularly to the new members, the importance of choosing the right course and the right college--and doing both--early. Pat suggested that this year's juniors (next year's seniors) make it a point to tell their experiences in searching for the college of their choice to the club.

Jim Meyers and Mr. Moyer reported a few accounts of the F. T. A. convention in Philadelphia on April 2, 1960. Representing our school were Carol Richard, Phyllis Neiffer, Jim Meyers and Mr. Moyer.

Plans for an undetermined project for next year were discussed.

The F. T. A. regrets losing the senior members, but wishes them much success in their being future teacher of America.

....Jean Junsberger

Handy Household Hints

Dark wool or blue serge suits are ideal for removing dog hairs from furniture.

CLASS DAY

On May 25, the members of the senior class, presented their Class Day program to the Student Body.

The first part of the program was the presentation of the awards. Following this, John Meko, president of the senior class presented the gown and gavel to Sharon Acker, president of the Junior Class.

The yearbook was then presented to Mrs. Flamm and Mr. Raymond. The Pottsgrobian Staff dedicated the yearbook to these two teachers. Mrs. Flamm received a large corsage of pink and white carnations. Mr. Raymond received a pink carnation. Miss Rosenberry and Mr. Fisher were also presented with yearbooks.

The senior class, then retired to the stage to present it's program. The Band, which played throughout the entire program, consisted of Barbara Dimon, John Meko, Jacob Cepko, Rex Robinson, Nick Falcone, Kenneth Knopp, and Robert Wirag.

The first specialty was a balancing act performed by Eileen Pinder and Pat Panfile. The act also included tumblers Jenny Dolla, Barbara Moyer, Pearl Miller, and Anita Gambino, the comic.

The program also included the Senior girls chorus, who sang "Over the Rainbow", and a wrestling match between Robert Fontana and Kenneth Millard. What a performance!

Barbara Dimon played "Deep Purple" on the piano she has mastered so well. The Student Body will miss Barbara's wonderful talent next year.

Then we were invaded by some beatniks consisting of Carole Varady, Tom Galloway, and Bob Jeffries, on the bongo drums.

After the beatniks cleared out, Kathy Frederick and Carole Weaver did a pantomime of "I'll Never Waltz Again With You."

The Far East joined us next as a few senior girls showed their wits in doing the bamboo dance.

Finally the United States showed up again with a combo group including "Dizzy" Barbara Dimon, Robert Wirag, John Meko, and Jacob Cepko. They favored us with "Night Train" and "Two O'clock Jump."

We were then entertained with a girls' kickline. After their great performance, the boys' kickline came kinking in. What a sight! Even Walter Sitko, the emcee joined in.

After the laughter provoked by the two kicklines diminished, the seniors gathered around to sing the graduation song, "Years to Remember" as Susan Kozel and Eileen Pinder distributed the class flower. The farewell speech was given by Marjorie Pastelak.

We wish all the seniors the best of everything in all they attempt.

GOOD-BYE, SENIORS

--Mary Ellen Miller

JR.SR. PROM -- "Fantasia"

The biggest social event of the school year, the Junior-Senior Prom, was held Friday night, May 13, 1960, from 8:30-11:30 in the gymnasium.

The decorations were on the theme "Fantasia." Dominating the setting was a large, fairyland castle set on blue angel hair. The ceiling was decorated with blue and white crepe paper to give a sky effect.

Other decorations consisted of a fountain in the center of the floor, the May Queen's throne a swing decorated with flowers and situated in a garden setting, a wishing well, and a bandstand.

Dainty tea sandwiches and candies were served in unique treasure chests. Punch, potato chips, and pretzels were also served.

At 9:30 Sharon Acker, junior class president, introduced Jerry Harp, last year's queen, who crowned Barbara Dimon, May Queen of 1960. Her attendants were Susan Kozel and Kathy Frederick.

The queen and her court led the next dance with music provided by Lou Millard and the Lancers.

Chaperones for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Dori, Mrs. Wenhold, Mr. Dry, Mr. Seasholtz, and Mr. Boehmer.

Following the Prom the Seniors held a party at St. Gabriel's Lodge in Stowe. Refreshments were served while the couples danced to record music. --J. Seregely

WHAT HAVE YOU DONE WITH THIS YEAR?

Here we are approaching the end of another school year. Next year each class will take on new responsibilities and privileges. Are you going to be ready?

Now is the time each student thinks back on the things he could have done. What about you? Did you do your very best in your studies this year? Maybe you loafed just a little and were satisfied with those C's you got on your report card instead of the B's you could have had. Maybe you didn't do any work at all. If this is your case, then why come to school?

School is a place not only to learn the subjects taught to you from text books but also to grow socially and physically. One shouldn't come to school with the idea of only learning what he is taught. If a student has the ability to get high marks, he should by all means do so. If a student has the ability to play a sport, he should. Playing sports strengthens a student physically.

Growing up socially is also important. When you are graduated from high school, you should be able to cope with the world in all ways. Each student should be an active part in class activities and school organizations.

Have you worked up to your abilities in learning, growing physically and socially this year? Take an inventory of yourself today.

Have you done your best in your studies? Have you gone out for sports? Did you join any class activity? Did you join any school organization? Did you enjoy this school year?

If you can't answer yes to all of these questions, be determined to do so next year. Go out for that sport you enjoy. Join in on class activities. Join school organizations. Make yourself feel a part of the school. If you do these things, you will enjoy school life next year.

Mary E. Miller

TO TELL THE TRUTH

Employer: "Sorry, young man, but I don't need any help. I just couldn't find enough work to keep you busy."

Guy: "You'd be surprised how little it takes."

A CUT UP

Then there's the one about the little moron who cut a hole in the rug so he could see the floor show. He sewed it up later, of course, because he didn't want to see the hole show.

TRUE-BLUE FRIENDS

Perhaps you've heard the story of the two janitors in a large city office building: They were broom-mates; they even swept together; in fact they were just inseparable.

THE LAST LAUGH

Hubby: "Janet, when I see you in that hat, I laugh."

Wife: "Good! I'll put it on when the bill come in."

Employer: "Sorry, young man, but I don't need any help. I just couldn't find enough work to keep you busy."

NEW SPARK PLUGS NEEDED

For every student with a spark of genius, there's a dozen with ignition trouble.

ANOTHER TEXAS STORY

On his first visit to Australia, a Texas was being shown around a vast ranch. "Why, this would be just a teensy little corner of my spread back home," he bragged.

When he arrived at where a huge herd of cattle were grazing, he commented, "Purty, but they'd get lost among my herd."

A kangaroo suddenly came up behind him and leaped by. The startled Texan exclaimed, "What in tarnation is that?"

His Australian host calmly answered "You mean you don't have grasshoppers in Texas?"

Pottsgrove School Library

R. D., Pottstown, Penna.

BIRTHDAYS IN JUNE

			1 D. Lightcap A. Lightcap J. Meloy W. Swavely	2 D. Hauseman	3 S. Eby W. Renninger	4 C. Lingen- felter
5 S. Carhart J. Kechel	6 G. Brown J. Lauer	7 L. Young C. Slichter F. Raspen	8	9 L. Ciaciak	10 R. Rhoads J. Morbauch D. Pursel	11 B. Gerberich C. Rudisill P. Fontana J. Meko
12 A. Mick- letz C. Smith J. Fontana	13 H. Endy W. Miller A. Sorg D. Johnson	14 D. Mahr M. Novak N. Frey J. Pelko	15 D. Mayberry A. Molotriz B. Ritter	16 R. Carry S. Burns	17 B. Smith	18
19 W. Leopold N. Leven- goed	20 D. Reider	21	22 D. Guadagno P. Neiman P. Guadagno	23 L. Brown	24 R. George	25 D. Foley J. Novak
26 G. Wright G. Brant D. Egels- ton	27 P. Freder- icsen N. Arndt C. Hauseman	28 M. Young L. Mest	29	30 B. Neuman M. Bush J. Over- holtzer	F. Prout T. Coney W. Shultz L. Wado	R. Lenko

--Nancy Favinger

"SHOWCASE DISPLAY"

This year the showcase in the lobby has been put to good use. There have been several interesting displays.

The current display is on nursing. There are different pamphlets describing the various hospitals throughout the area. Pictures are labeled according to each person's profession.

Another display was on Art. Pottery, made by the students, was on exhibit.

Besides these, there were displays about agriculture, library, and on driver education.

--J. Hoffman

MOVIES AND POTTS GROVE

"Wake Me When It's Over"-----

Gay Rimel in Study Hall.

"The Unforgiven"----- the teachers

"Please Don't Eat the Daisies"-----

Eugene Zayatz

"Who Was That Lady?"-----who sold wheat
germs in room 119?

"The Proud Ones"-----the seniors

"The Big Fisherman"-----Dave Rumler

"The Fugitive Kind"-----Driver Ed. Students

"Visitor From a Small Planet"-----

H. John Stahl, Jr.

--Carolyn Hunsberger