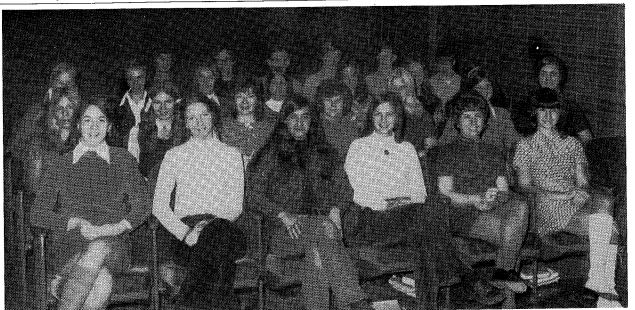
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NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTEES: first row (l. to r.)—B. Bitler, D. Plevyak, L. Weitzenkorn, J. Gilbert, B. Coldren, S. Makros; second row—W. Serba, L. Coscia, K. Endy, J. Bauer, C. Evans, I. Brunner, M. Andes; third row—M. Hanley, B. Harclerode, W. Richards, L. Streett, C. Carroll, S. Rubright, L. Miller; fourth row—G. Weitzenkorn, J. Pierce, J. Henricks, D. Weller, M. Radel, W. Wendel.

Honor Society Membership Grows

Pottsgrove To Open Intermediate School

After years of planning, the new intermediate school for the Pottsgrove School District will hopefully open in September, 1974. The school will be attended by students in grades 6, 7, and 8, and it could possibly include grade 5. It is designed to accommodate 828 students at 40 actual teaching stations. Students of all ages can be taught efficiently in large groups for certain skills, thus releasing teachers to help small groups of children who need additional instruction. The cost of the school is \$3,900,000 without the swimming pool, but the pool can be added at a later date.

The architectural firm of Buchart Associate designed a compact, two-story structure. Because of its location on Buchert Road, which is close to the present high school, it is possible to eliminate the con-

and the use of flexible open space permits the elimination of interior classroom walls. A large room can be divided into 4 classrooms by movable furniture.

There will be three tennis courts with lights for community evening use and adequate playing fields and parking space. The gymnasium will be approximately the same size as the high school's, but in the Intermediate School the seating capacity is greater because of design.

S. Silverman Wins Annual Spelling Bee

The Annual Spelling Bee at Pottsgrove High School was held Rebruary 25 1972 Thirty-two

As Iwenty-nine Students inducted

A candlelit ceremony highlighted the National Honor Society Induction Assembly which was held Thursday, February 24, in the high school auditorium. Twenty-nine new inductees were accepted during the assembly planned by the Honor Society members.

Students, faculty, and parents were welcomed by Karen Kline, President of National Honor Society. The assembly itself was based on a theme dealing with the difficult transition from childhood to mature adulthood. Poems were read by the members to better express this transition. After the poetry selections were read, candles were lit, and the names of the new inductees were called. Remarks by Mr. Buckwalter and Dr. Dailey followed.

New Inductees

The new inductees were Seniors: Mindy Andes, Ida Brunner, Bonnie Coldren, Linda Coscia, Candy Evans, Joanne Gilbert, Mary Anne Hanley, Jim Henricks, Gwen Ketner, Sharon Makros, Jeff Pierce, Wendy Serba, and Gregg Weitzenkorn; Juniors: Janet Bauer, Kathy Endy, Becky Harclerode, Jill Keyser. Lori Miller, Sherry Rubright, and Laurie Weitzenkorn; Sophomores: Barbara Bitler, Cindy Carroll, Linda Leatherman, Debbie Plevvak, Mark Radel, LeeAnn Streett, Dave Weller, and Wesley Wendel.

Officers

Officers of this year's National Honor Society are President, Karen Kline; Vice-President, Karen Knause: Treasurer, Cindy Sears; and Secretary, Becky Carnahan.

Seminar Students Will Travel To View Massachusetts Sites

A three day trip to Boston, Massachusetts will be taken by the eleventh grade American History Seminar class. The twelve students, their teacher Mr. Davidson, and Mrs. Lindenmuth will fly to Boston from International Airport in Philadelphia on the morning of April 7. That afternoon the students plan to take the two and onehalf hour Freedom Trail walk through Boston. This walk covers all the historical and interesting sites of Boston: State House, Boston Common, King's Chapel, Old North Church, Paul Revere's

Coming Events

April 14, 15-Junior Class Musical April 20, 21-Senior Class Trip

House, and Benjamin Franklin's birthplace.

The following day the group will travel to Salem. Massachusetts to visit the House of Seven Gables and witch houses. Sunday will be spent touring the Museum of Fine Arts. Hayden Planetarium, the U.S.S. Constitution, and Harvard University. Their plane will depart Sunday afternoon, and it will arrive an hour later in Philadelphia.

Air Fare Earned

The approximate cost per person, including air fare and hotel rooms, is eighty-five dollars. During the past few months, members of this class have sponsored fund raising projects to help pay for the cost.

Other members who helped with the planning of the assembly were Ellen Gross, Judy Keyser, Chris Dry, April Yost, Pat Yergey, Donna Theis, John Pitchford, Gary Troyan, Mike Shulby and Donald Sutton.

one-third of the student body will be included and will be used for large group instruction, audio visual presentations, class plays, and class assemblies. The present high

school auditorium will be used when the Audion is not available. The compact design of the school

struction of a large auditorium.

Instead, an Audion which seats

Halls Will Be Alive **Of** Sounds Musical

The academy award winning musical The Sound of Music will be presented in the Pottsgrove High School auditorium on April 14 and 15 at 8:00 P.M. The production is sponsored by the junior class and is under the direction of Mrs. Gail Miller and student directors Meg Gross and Sherry Rubright.

With

The play begins at the abbey where Maria Rainer (Carol Rainis), a postulant, is questioned about her fitness for the life of a nun. She is sent out as a governess to the seven children of Captain von Trapp (David Brant). Maria wins the love of the children and, later, the love of the Captain. The Captain breaks his engagement to his fiance, Elsa Shroeder (Kathy Newman) because of their contrasting ideas as to the German takeover of Austria. Later, Maria and Captain von Trapp are married. The Germans want him to serve in their navy, but, instead, he and his family flee.

Some of the songs in the musical include "The Sound of Music," "Maria," "My Favorite Things," "Climb Every Mountain," and "Sixteen Going on Seventeen."

Cast Members

The seven children of Captain von Trapp will be portrayed by Jan Matthews, Jeff Winterbottom, Donna Kunitsky, Teri Peterman, Barry Egolf, Diane Flicker, and Linda Kunitsky.

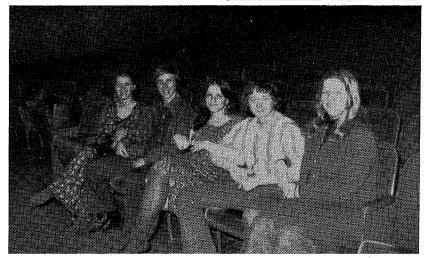
Other members of the cast are as follows: Rolf, Kevin Kifer; Mother Abbess, Joanne Schofield; Max Detweiler, Darwin Kirchhof. The cast is rounded out by Mindy Andes, Cindy Coles, Theresa Kienle, Kathy Hoffman, John Kurtz, Bill Ritner, Larry Brunner, Carter Wasson, and twenty-one nuns and ten dancers.

The play promises to provide an evening of entertainment for all those who attend.

contestants consisting of seventh and eighth grade students participated. The winner was a seventh grade girl, Selene Silverman. Steve Ferenz, an eighth grade student, was the runner-up.

Selene, the winner, correctly spelled the word "eccentricity" to win the contest. She will now represent Pottsgrove at the Montgomery County Spelling Bee to be held in the Norristown High School auditorium Friday evening, April 21, 1972. The Times Herald newspaper will sponsor this annual event. The winner of the County Bee will then compete at the National Spelling Bee held in Washington, D. C. the week of June 5. Steve and Selene both will receive an award of five dollars from the Pottsgrove Federation of Teachers.

This year the spelling bee coordinator was Mr. Bernard Conley. The spelling master was Mr. Joseph Dori. The judges were Mrs. Grace Heffner, Miss Diane Romanik, and Mrs. Phyllis Keffer.



THE SOUND OF MUSIC STARS: (l. to r.) Kathy Newman, David Brant. Carol Rainis, Darwin Kirchhof, and Joanne Schofield.

The Daydream Syndrome

By BECKY CARNAHAN

The room is quiet, except for an occasional mumbled response or a slight shuffle. A distant voice is heard, which is accented by the squeaking of the chalk on the board. Positions range from half-slumping, half-sitting to seeming unconsciousness. Suddenly, a beam of light creeps across the books which are scattered on the desk top. Eyes follow this trail of radiance to the source—the sun has finally returned from its winter hibernation. A slight breeze, evidenced by the stir of life outside, endeavors to dry the rain-soaked earth. A quiet awakening is taking place.

A sharp command interrupts the tranquility. Another lecture begins. The topic is often different, but the reproofs are the same. Less than gentle reminders are given that several months of school still exist, and a harsh crack-down is threatened. Personality attitudes are attacked with tones of hopelessness for our "lost generation."

One of the natural laws of behavior is "when the weather's great, students are going to be distracted." Labor leaders well know that contented workers are better workers, and they strive to relieve monotony and boredom. Although it is difficult to compete with the beginning of spring, any effort to add variety to classes would certainly be appreciated. Animated discussions, relevant filmstrips, or other deviations from classroom routine might help students keep their attention focused on learning. But cooperation is necessary from both sides. It takes only a small amount of effort to peel one's eyes from the windows. After all, the person at the front of the room may be imparting some insight as to how to more fully enjoy time spent outside.

Student Government: An Era Of Depression

By LAURIE WEITZENKORN

Any student who has attended a student government meeting this year comes out with a rather depressing feeling. As a member, I have come to wonder what is the matter.

One of the biggest problems is the lack of a really important project. Most of the problems with which we are dealing seem trivial and hardly worth working on. How can a cafeteria

Praising Pottsgrove

By CARTER WASSON

In following the common trend. many of us criticize and rarely give any praise for things even when it is deserved. We condemn our teachers, administrators and even our fellow students quite often without reason. Seldom do we hear "Appreciate Pottsgrove!" or "Be Proud of Pottsgrove!" It is about time someone said it.

Our standard of education at Pottsgrove is far superior to that of many other schools. Most of our students are well prepared for their lives after graduation. Whether they plan to attend college or enter another vocation of their choice, the students of Pottsgrove usually find themselves well prepared.

In the academic curriculum, we are well prepared for college after years of studying. Our business students get more than adequate training in their high school years. The most overlooked students at Pottsgrove are our Vo-Tech students. Not only are they prepared for their jobs, but many of them hold jobs while attending school.

These things are a reflection of both the faculty and administration, neither of which get the credit they deserve.

ORIGIN FOOL'S DURING

Have you ever wondered why we celebrate an April Fools Day? Knowing that the public would answer, "yes," the Falcon research team traveled to New York City's Museum of Natural History and read through the piles of manuscripts dating back hundreds of years. Finally, they found what they were looking for, the story of April Fools Day.

A few hundred years ago there was a small kingdom which was constantly blanketed with snow. The king tried everything to prevent the snow from falling. He had wise men and magicians from all over come to his court to discuss the possibilities of preventing the constant snow. Finally, the king decided to appeal to "Mother Nature." He traveled to "The Cave of the Winds" where she resided. The king poured out his sad tale to her. Mother Nature was so overwhelmed that she promised to help the king.

She gave the king magic seeds and told him to throw a handful on different plots of land in the kingdom every day for two weeks and wait for the miracle to occur. The king thanked her and returned home. When he related his news to the people, they laughed and jeered him, for they thought he had been made a fool.

Undaunted, the king went about scattering the magic seeds. For weeks nothing happened. Then on the morning of April the first, when the townspeople looked out their windows, they beheld a wondrous sight. The fields were green and full of flowers, the trees had leaves, and the sun was shining triumphantly.

Mother Nature had "fooled" the people and created Spring. From that day on people have celebrated the coming of Spring by playing jokes on one another.

Love Means Walking Down The Halls Hand In Hand

"John!" "Mary!"

Her eyes swell with tears, hands interlock in a passionate grip and soft murmurs of affection are heard. Then, suddenly, that unwanted sound of the hallowed chime.

"Is that for us. John?"

and tears run down her cheek. A severe disagreement over the shade of Mary's lipstick has arisen. Oh dear!! Two hundred people are now staring toward the table. Is it because they are so deeply upset over the argument? Of course not! They all want the two hoagies that still haven't been touched Dut and



which doors can be used and at what times? The assembly committee can't do anything with their suggestions because if there is a faculty committee to consult with, no one knows who is on it. One of our important issues is trying to get students on Dr. Dailey's K-12 advisory committee. But we are now awaiting a decision giving us permission, so we can't act.

There is a lack of enthusiasm on the part of the members and the student body itself. When a representative asks for suggestions from his class, he is met with blank, bored stares. Some people have said "Why work when all our proposals or ideas get turned down?" At times we do get turned down, but we will not solve anything by quitting. As many have been told by a well-known teacher, "Life isn't fair." If Student Government were dissolved, we would be even more dissatisfied.

It seems to me that many of our problems will be worked out when the middle school is completed because many student suggestions demand more space, more teacher time, and a more mature student body. But even then we will still have a problem. Instead of working on projects that most students care little about, perhaps we could use the time more wisely. We could get involved in community and charitable activities. I'm sure that with some help from the student body, the Student Government can come out of its depression.

next forty-five minutes will be painful for both of us, Mary, but consider them as a test of our true love."

After a gentle peck on the lips, Mary enters her class and John runs to his, only to find he has just received another late mark. But there is no punishment in the world too harsh, too cruel, too inhuman that John would not receive for a few extra moments with his loved one.

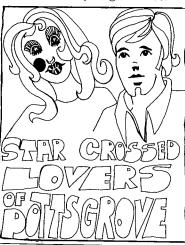
Forty-five minutes later, when classes end and students disperse throughout the halls, we can see lone figures outside of doors waiting for their "faithful Janes," so that once again they can be reunited in rapturous love.

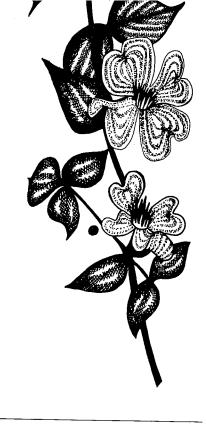
We find our John in such a situation. Once he and his sweetheart are together, they walk hand in hand to the Great Dining Hall. Seated in front of each other they begin to talk. Gradually their tone harshens, their handgrip becomes tighter, the endearing look is gone

because John and Mary realize, whatever differences they might have, they can't live without each other. They return to their intellectual conversations:

"John, how long have you had that gum in your mouth?"

And with the sound of the second trip bell, another day at Pottsgrove Place ends, as our young lovers drive off in her golden chariot, since he is too young to drive.





FREEDOM IN OUR HALLS

In many Pottsgrove students. there exists a growing feeling of dissatisfaction and discouragement. It seems that the administration, for one reason or another, constantly adds new rules to our already long list of "rules and regulations." However, this is not the administration's fault: it is the fault of the students. Too often, we abuse our privileges under the false impression that these are not privileges but "rights." This mistaken reasoning usually results in the revoking of these privileges. It is a pity that the actions of a few immature students always seem to determine a new policy that affects the entire school. It is also quite sad that we cannot all exercise enough self-discipline to

prevent such occurrences.

It is common knowledge among all students (and most teachers) that many of us spend our free periods taking unguided tours of the building and disrupting other classes. The administration feels that they can remedy this situation through the use of certain restrictive measures. This new plan (to be brought before the School Board's next meeting) constitutes the division of the school into seven districts. Each district is distinguished by a number posted on the wall and boundried by red lines on the floor. At the entrance to each district is a roll book. When a student crosses from one district into another, he puts his name and the precise time on the roll book.

When he leaves that district, he signs his name and time again and reports back to class.

In addition to the registration process, the halls are patrolled by "hall monitors." These people are either substitute teachers or teachers who are willing to give up a free period to patrol one of the seven districts. They check the registration and hall pass of anyone crossing into or passing through his district.

Finally, anyone caught forging names and times or being in the improper district will automatically receive five nights of detention.

To think that the administration would go so far as to begin such a program causes one's heart to sink! Unless, of course, it's April 1!



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Hackers Away!

Weather has interfered with many of the golf team's practices this season. The team was able to have only a little over two weeks of outdoor practice before their first match. The weather has also forced the team to continue their practices at Twin Ponds, instead of at their home course which is Brookside Country Club.

The outlook for the team is very promising. Jim Flood and this year's co-captains Gary Troyan and Gregg Weitzenkorn are the three returning lettermen. Gary and Gregg are expected to be the "one-two" punch for Pottsgrove. Pushing for a varsity slot are seniors Drew Fagley, Mike Shulby, and Jeff Pierce; juniors Jim Ludwich and Pete Warner; sophomores Willard Benner, Dave Ludwich, Steve Pomerantz; and a few promising freshmen.

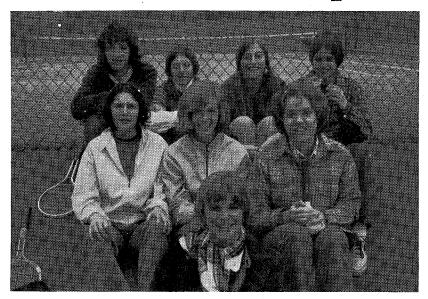
The golf matches and scoring will be set up a little differently this season. Instead of match play, the scoring will be done by medal play. Seven men will compete in the varsity matches, but only the best five scores will count.

The team's schedule could have been better. Most of the team's important matches take place on the opponent's course. In golf the home course advantage is of the utmost importance. Distances, speed of greens, and hazards can be very deceiving on an away course.

In his fourth year of coaching the golf team, Mr. Dori feels that this year's golf team has more depth than the teams in the past. Although this year's schedule is not to our advantage, he feels that the team has enough talent to win on any given day. He also feels that some of our more experienced players, such as Greege and Gary.

Sports 72

Girl's Net Team Hopes To Match Last Year's Championship Record



THE 1972 GIRLS TENNIS TEAM: These eight brave girls will attempt to bring the tennis championship back to the hallowed halls of good ole P.H.S.

Baseball Team Expects Much Improved Season

Many things were said about last year's baseball team, and most of them were bad. It doesn't matter that the team didn't win a game last year. It's a new year, and it's a new ball game for the phenomenal Falcons. Guided by their fearstressed to improve basic fundamentals. The Falcons will probably be the best physically conditioned ball club in the league, thus adding strength to the already well balanced team.

Several lettermen return to the

All alone in the girl's locker room, the rackets of Cindy Born, Denise Hughes, Pat Supplee, and Gwen Ketner suddenly come alive.

"Well, I guess it's our turn now. Hockey and basketball are over."

"Yea, I can feel the pounding of that ball against my head."

"You get it the worst because Cindy hits hard every time!"

"Wasn't that fun at the tennis clinic at Penn State?"

"Boy, their head coach really knows his stuff. Did you see how he handled his racket?"

"I was too busy looking at the other rackets more my age!"

Suddenly the owners of these rackets enter and end the conversation.

"What do you think of our chances this year, Cindy?"

"I think we can do it again, only if we're not too confident and understand our job."

"It sure would be nice having the championship two years in a row!"

"I really learned a lot from that clinic. What I liked the most was the demonstration by their Varsity team."

"Yea, the whole thing was a lot of fun."

"Do we still hit against the door every morning?"

Seniors Are Key To Net Success

Tennis, long considered a secondary spring sport, appears to have arrived as another outlet for Pottsgrove athletic success. Last year's team produced a record of 6 wins and 4 losses. Trying to improve that record is this year's squad, a small team led by four veteran seniors who have to make up for the loss of last year's star player Don Green.

The Falcon netmen have a new coach, Mr. John Karsnitz, who succeeds Mr. Derr in that position. Their first match is April 11 on Coatesville's courts.

The four seniors are the only returning lettermen. Nine newcomers include a senior, three juniors, three sophomores, and three ninthgraders.

The two doubles positions will probably be played by seniors Jim Shelly and Jim Henricks, and juniors Gary and Larry Romich. The singles slots are vacant and top contenders are letter-winners Rick Szilagyi and Darwin Kirchhoff. Others who are seeking spots are sophs Kevin Levengood, Ron Kaer, Scott Geiser; senior Steve Freedman; freshmen Harold Pattalino, Dave Murphy, Mike Fernandez; and injured junior Ken Hart.

Bad weather has hampered the team's practices considerably so far this season.

Wrestlers Advance to Semi-final Competition

Two Falcon wrestlers moved to the semi-finals of the sectionals this year. Mike Meko in the 95 the District finals.

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new right hand man, Mike Ondo, the squad is looking forward to a schedule of sixteen games.

On March 3, the season began for the Falcons. The weather was so brisk that the team stayed inside the gym to begin their vigorous training schedule. It was on this day that the players learned of a new game, and it wasn't called baseball. This was a running game called the rat race. This game is just a small part of Coach Molvie's "great leap forward," in which physical conditioning will be

previous experience to the squad. The returning players include Nick Lozorak, Steve Piloni, Mark Thompson, Rick Martz, Tom Donahue, Mike Olock, Dennis Melnyk, Don Shadler and Bill Kalaman. Players new to the varsity "diamond demons" this year include Gregg Vermeesch, John Mauger, Kevin Kifer, Ken Sell, Mike Stewart, and Bob Brant.

According to Coach Molvie, the basic strengths of the team lie in the strong hitting all through the lineup and the balanced pitching

Tro; oury monuay, wednesday and Thursday." "From seven-thirty to eight,

"Do you realize that we've only

had a couple of practices so far?" "The matches don't start until

April, so that's why."

"Let's go."

And the locker room is silent again.

staff. This is different from last year in that there was not balanced hitting on the team and the pitching lacked because one or two hurlers had to carry the team. But the biggest comparison between the Falcons of last year and this year's squad is the ultra-optimistic attitude of the players and coaches. Last year the team merely wanted to win. This year the players expect to win.

the 103 pound class entered the semi-finals by decisioning their opponents. After making it this far, Meko was defeated by Dennis Sterling of Spring-Ford, and Matthews was decisioned by Tim Waller, also of Spring-Ford. Although losing their respective matches this year, both wrestlers will return next

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Pottsgrove Basketball Team Competes In Playoffs Again

Our Falcon basketball team participated again this year in the District One Class B playoffs. They were defeated by Darby-Colwyn at the Nether Providence gym.

Darby-Colwyn broke open a close game in the second period and went on to victory with a final score of 72-45. High scorers for Pottsgrove were Drew Fagley with 15 points and Mike Shulby with 14 points.

Alumni Basketball

The American History Seminar sponsored a basketball night on Friday, February 25. Sixth grade boys from all of the Pottsgrove elementary schools showed off their basketball skills in the game. From the way that these boys played. Pottsgrove can be sure of having a great basketball team in the coming years.

The Junior Varsity trounced the faculty in another game. The faculty just could not get it together.

In the third game the varsity basketball team outhustled and outplayed the aging alumni. The alumni seemed to have gotten out of shape since they left Pottsgrove.

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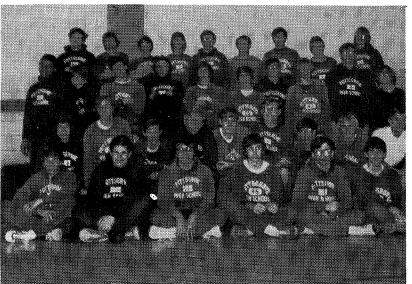
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Pottsgrove Thinclads Display Skill In Sprints And Hurdles

This year's senior high track team has only thirty-five members. This is a very definite disadvantage. With only thirty-five trackmen on the team, many will have to compete in two or three events every meet.

Returning Lettermen Leading the team will be Rick Mettler, a senior who has already earned two letters in track in the 100 yard dash and the 220 yard dash; Jim Polli, a senior who will be a tough competitor in the weight events; Ralph Basile, a senior who will run the 180 yard low hurdles; Gary Showers, a senior who will run the mile and who has



VARSITY TRACK TEAM: Thirty-four members of the 1972 spring track squad are shown above before one of their early practice sessions this year.

a best time of 5:03; Scott Kurtz, a junior who will run the 120 yard high hurdles; and Tim Yerger, a junior who will high jump and who has a best jump of 5 feet 10 inches.

Good Prospects

With many gaps left through graduation, many underclassmen will have to take over much of the competition. Good prospects for this year's team are Kevin Bender. a junior middle distance runner: Bob Boyer, a junior javelin thrower; Dave Galloway, a junior distance man; Steve Stavrou, a junior weight man; Dave Supco, a junior distance runner; Dave Weller, a sophomore who ran the hundred in 10.5 seconds; and Norman Hill, a sophomore who put the shot 44 feet during the winter season.

Coach Harclerode stated that the weight events would be the strongest. Probably several reasons for his statement are Jim Polli in the shot and discus, Norm Hill in the shot, Bob Boyer in the javelin, and Steve Stavrou in the shot and dis-

The first meet will be April 4 against St. Pius at home.

P. H. S. Faculty



MR. CHARLES GRAHAM

Today it is rare to find someone who is satisfied with his life. But Mr. Graham, who teaches Driver Education and is an Upper Pottsgrove policeman, is one of these people.

Mr. Graham was born in Northwestern Pennsylvania and attended Lock Haven College, where he received his Bachelors of Science and Social Studies degree and his Certification of Highway and General Safety Education. Graduate work was done at West Chester State College and Penn State. He now lives in Boyertown with his wife and their three sons.

Since coming to Pottsgrove in 1959, Mr. Graham feels that Pottsgrove has become a way of life, yet he says there is "no other place I'd rather be." Other teachers often tease him because it seems all he does is ride around all day. His reply to this is a smile and an offer to exchange jobs for a day. He has not yet had a chance to do this.

Many people ask Mr. Graham if bravery is required to ride with students when they are learning to drive. His reply is "I don't

FROM THE EDITORS:

"The Great Ruce"

I hope I am not late. I am going to enter myself in the Pottsgrove High Race of the Day. The race starts at 7:50 in the morning, and it is over at 8:10. The starting line is at each racer's homeroom. In other words, the race consists of a stagger start. Racing officials, mostly consisting of teachers, count the numerous laps each racer has completed. All racers have shotgun partners who occasionally check the time in each homeroom.

The racetrack has many obstacles. Some obstacles such as steps, walls, lockers, doors, and other racers hamper the performance of these competitors.

The crowd is usually standing room only largely because nothing ever happens in homeroom. The main objective of the crowd is to check out some of the different racers and their styles of racing. Lately, a new model called the "36-24-36 GI-RL Special" has attracted much attention from the crowd and the racers. We hope to see more of this new model.

There are many winners in this great race. To be a winner all you have to do is successfully see everybody you want to see and to pull up into your homeroom before the time limit expires at 8:10.

However, not everyone races or watches. Some unfortunate people try to do some last minute cramming while the great race is in progress. But if these people stay tuned to their radios, they can stay up to date on race results.

With the more unrestricted standard of living these days and the finding of a lot of free times on our hands, more and more contestants have been entering the race.

So, if you have nothing to do in the morning, why not go out to Pottsgrove and witness or enter in this colorful spectacle.

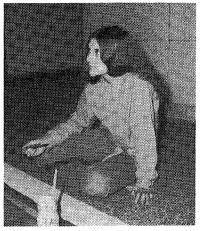
—Richard Martz

THE UNSEEN WORKERS

The Falcon would like to take this space to express our special appreciation to two of our maintenance men, Mr. Melrose Antrim and Mr. Donald Goodwin. These two men work at night, so they are

upset over the students who constantly destroy things. They say that as soon as they put something up that has been ripped from the wall, it is torn down again. Mr. Goodwin feels that the students must realize that "if they want a

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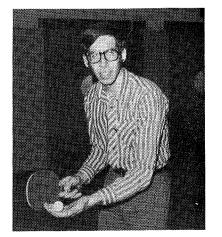


APRIL KOLB

When you see a broken-down, blue Rambler coming down the road, what do you usually think of? Most people would associate such a car with April Kolb, as the car is the only one of its kind in the Pottsgrove High School parking lot. Even though her Rambler has been out of commission since the last big snow, it is still around and so is April.

The reason April is seldom seen strolling in the hallowed halls at Pottsgrove High is because she is busy with activities. She is an active member of the concert band and orchestra. And, as you all know, the orchestra is now busily preparing for The Sound of Music. As the orchestra began practicing, April was just finishing her Varsity cheering career. Throughout the basketball season she spent her Tuesday and Friday nights enthusiastically cheering for our guys. April was also a member of the Homecoming Court last October.

Although she has different interests in different seasons, the one interest April maintains throughout the year is out. Besides work



STEVE PILONI

Baseball season is here at last. The Big Maroon Machine plays its first league game against Owen J. Roberts next Tuesday. A major asset to the Falcons this year is their ace shortstop, "Cowboy" Steve Piloni.

When we talked to Steve, we found out that his major interest is sports. Next to baseball, hockey is his favorite sport, and he even goes as far as the Cherry Hill Arena to play. His next "conquests" are the Spectrum and the Boston Garden, home of his favorite hockey team, the Bruins. He also follows all the Philadelphia teams and the New York Jets.

The list of his favorite sports doesn't end with hockey, baseball, and football. He also enjoys hunting ("pheasants only," he stresses), trapping, and playing golf. As far as golf is concerned, he feels it is strictly a man's sport and there shouldn't be any women golfers.

Sports play an important part in Steve's future. He plans to attend West Chester State College which and physical limitations."

Mr. Graham enjoys getting to know students. He feels you have to know what's inside of the students you're trying to teach. In order to know students, he feels you must take the time to talk to them and be available at all times. He feels that to be able to get along with students, you must spend the time to know them and let them know you. Perhaps Ralph Waldo Emerson felt the same way when he wrote "Trust men and they will be true to you; treat them greatly and they will show themselves great."

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grovians.

Mr. Antrim and Mr. Goodwin must work long, hard hours to clean up the area around the shoproom corridor. This area includes the library, health rooms, gymnasium, boys' locker room, the auxiliary gymnasium, and, of course, the shoproom corridor.

One of the big problems they have is the lack of cooperation from the students. Mr. Goodwin complained that they find all kinds of things — "garbage, clothing, soap, apples, oranges" — all over the locker room. They are also

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have to help us out."

According to Mr. Goodwin, another disadvantage to their job is that the Pottsgrove janitors are the lowest paid in the area. However, they must be doing a good job because they have received many compliments from visiting students on the cleanliness of the building.

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she is a member of the art staff for MAXIMI. She has also contributed to the literary portion of MAXIMI.

April's future plans include attending either Kutztown State College or Moore College of Art in Philadelphia. However, she has no plans for after college.

April resides on Needhammer Road with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kolb. She also has a brother who is in the eighth grade at Pottsgrove.

So next time you're lucky enough to see the girl with the old blue Rambler, try to make her slow down a bit.

Letter to the Editor:

The following letter concerns an article dealing with conduct at games which appeared in February 17 issue of the Falcon.

Was it really poor conduct, or was it using the home advantage as an advantage? The crowd at our games are good cheering crowds. Sure we boo; we have to because it's all in the game. But it is not done to excess. The fact is, we still don't boo as much as other fans do on their home courts. The statement to start playing

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sports. At West Chester he plans to major in English. He would like to get into journalism as a (you guessed it) sports writer for the Bulletin.

When he is not involved in sports, he likes to listen to rock music. His favorite LP is Jethro Tull's Aqualung. He can also be found watching a horror movie or taking a long walk to think.

Born on September 2, Steve's zodiac sign is Virgo. He believes in horoscopes because they have always come true for him.

Steve would like to see the new middle school built. Other than the fact that he thinks we started to be liberal too late, he likes Pottsgrove as it is.

Even though he is a direct descendant of Sir Walter Rale; h, the best description of Steve is still the one voiced by one of his friends, "He's just an ordinary guy."

games at 3:15 is absurd. At our games no tension from the crowd is built up, and there are no fights. It is just cheering the good things and the bad things. It's all part of the game.

I never once saw a game, and will never see a game, where the crowd just cheers the good and not the bad. When something on the court happens, it appears right to one side and wrong to the other. The cheering at Pottsgrove High School is good and right, and there is no reason in this world for starting the games at 3:15. We support our team no matter what the score is. We just use the home advantage to our advantage. To quote Mr. Reber, "Pottsgrove is the little Palestra of the Ches-Mont League." We cheer for our team the best we can.

-Dominick Morello