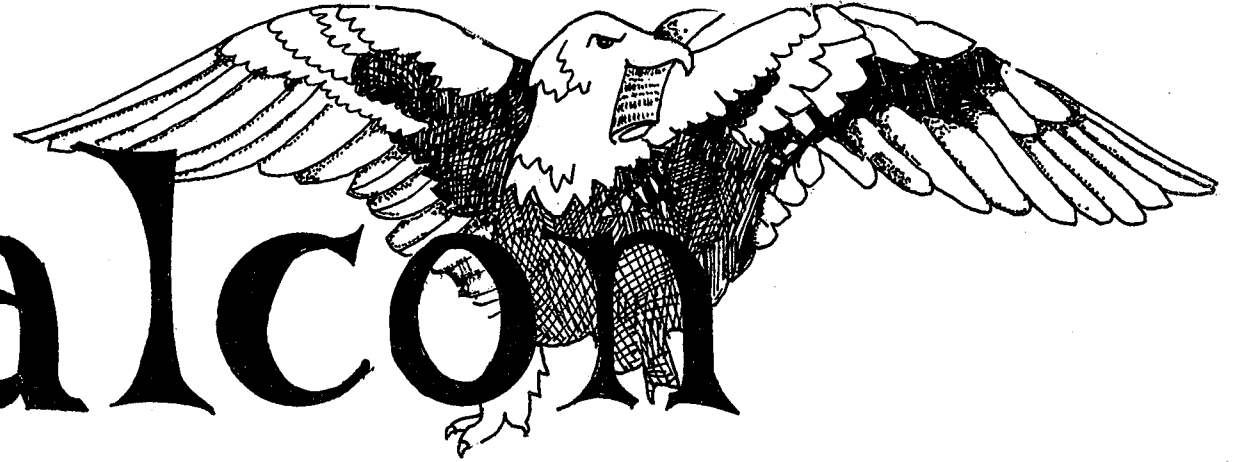


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## STUDENT TEACHERS FROM URSINUS ARRIVE AT P. H. S. TO BEGIN TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Six student teachers from Ursinus College arrived at Pottsgrove High School on October 15; they will remain here until Christmas. This will be their first experience as teachers. Their jobs include taking over the classes to which they are assigned and, in general, learning to accept most of the responsibilities of a teacher.

Assisting Mr. Greulich in his European History class is Gail Dieffenbach, who is from Upper Darby. She spends much of her time travelling. Besides visiting thirty-three states, she has also been in Europe. She is looking forward to a career in teaching.

Helping out in the physical education department are Mrs. Georgia Delude and Mrs. Claire Kinderman. Mrs. Delude resides in Reading; her hobbies include art and all sports, especially hockey and lacrosse. Mrs. Kinderman, whose hobbies are swimming and photography, lives in Collegeville.

Jane Kuchar, Mr. Dry's assistant,



classes is Miss Suzanne Smith. Since her parents currently live in Miami, Ursinus is Miss Smith's home. She plans to be married in December.

A native of Pottstown is Kenneth Vannoy, who is assisting Mr. Dori

## Maria Morris Voted Miss Congeniality

Maria Morris was voted "Miss Congeniality" at the Montgomery County Junior Miss Pageant for

## Student Council Active In Dress Code Matter

On Friday, September 11, 1970, the annual Student Council Induction Assembly was held. Mr. Radel installed the following officers to serve for the 1970-71 school year; Lee Levengood, president; Bill VanBuskirk, vice-president; Janis Supco, secretary; and Polly Edleman, treasurer. Immediately following, the homeroom representatives and the representatives-at-large were installed. Mr. Davidson again accepted the responsibility of advisor.

The primary concern of the Student Council this year, as in past years, has been the dress code. The Student Council originally proposed a Statement of Purpose with six restrictions to take the place of the dress code. The proposal was presented to the public at a community meeting early in the school year. The administration also supported this policy. After taking a vote, the faculty reached the decision to abolish the dress code entirely. The final and deciding vote was made by the school board members at the meeting on Tuesday, October 13, 1970. The school board passed four regulations regarding school attire which, in short, stated that the responsibility for a student's dress is placed upon his parents; there will be no restrictions placed on hair style or dress unless it causes a health hazard, a safety hazard,

## Construction To Be Started On School

On September 24, 1968, a recommendation to construct a new school to accommodate grades six, seven, and eight was accepted by the Pottsgrove School Board. The new intermediate school will help to relieve enrollment pressure, phase out the Upper Pottsgrove Elementary School, and create the much needed space in all the schools. It will also provide a

bies include sewing and band; she is also active in the YMCA and YWCA.

Teaching Mrs. Heffner's English

## Leader Corps A Big Activity

What started out last year as only an experiment has grown into one of the biggest activities at Pottsgrove. This club is Leader Corps. With over twice as many students in it this year, Leader Corps hopes to accomplish great things.

### The Club's Purpose

The purpose of the club according to Rocco Liott, the club's president, is to bring out responsibility and leadership. Mrs. Irey, who leads the girls' program, said the girl leaders do various jobs, help out in adaptive gym classes as well as the regular junior and senior high gym classes. They are checking showers and are learning to become effective spotters and officials. The boys' Leader Corps takes over gym classes, demonstrates procedures, and leads exercises.

### Leaders are Helpful

The gym teachers find the leader's presence very useful. They are now able to spend more time planning classes and are also able to give individual attention to the students who need it.

### Qualifications

Qualifications to be a Leader are: A "C" average in scholarship and a "B" average in citizenship.

### Scheduled Gym Classes

Regular meetings are held every Monday, during activity period. During these meetings, spotting, dancing, and officiating techniques are demonstrated and discussed.

with his English classes. Mr. Yorgey's favorite sport is skiing while his hobbies are stamp and coin collecting.

## New Courses At Pottsgrove High

Pottsgrove is getting a whole new look this year. Bigger and better changes are being made all the time. There are many new and exciting courses being offered in the science department. For the seventh graders Life Science is their objective. Mrs. Duckett is the instructor.

The IPS (Introductory Physical Science) is offered to the eighth graders. This course is now used in place of the old General Science. It is taught by Mr. Edwards, Mr. Dybach, Mr. Dry, and Mrs. Duckett.

Another new course, which is offered to ninth graders, is the ESCP (Earth Science Curriculum Period). ESCP is mostly laboratory work. It is also a new approach to Earth and Space Science. ESCP is taught by Mrs. Mann and General Earth and Space is taught by Mr. Rutter, Mrs. Irey, Mr. Freedman, and Mrs. Mann.

This year an elective for seniors is HPP (Harvard Project Physics). This, too, is a new approach, which is lab-oriented. Mr. Rutter is the instructor of this course, for which \$2000 worth of equipment was purchased.

## Coming Events

### November

6—Report Cards Issued

11—PTA Meeting

16—Teacher In-Service

(School Closed)

25—Student Council Bonfire and Dance

1971 which was held at Plymouth-Whitemarsh High School. All contestants were judged by scholastic achievement; judges conference; creative and performing arts; poise and appearance, and youth fitness. Unlike "Miss Montgomery County," who won by the votes of the judges, Maria won by votes of her fellow contestants.

Maria received as her awards not only being voted "Miss Congeniality," but also a trophy in the form of a gold cup, a \$25 gift certificate, and a charm bracelet which all contestants received.

Before the pageant, a dinner was hosted for all the contestants, judges, and guests in the school cafeteria. Following the pageant, a winners reception took place.

## Enthusiasm is Shown In Pottsgrove Clubs

Participating in this year's library club are over seventy students from grades seven through twelve. For the first time a library assistant hand book has been published. This book helps the aides by describing different procedures and rules in the library.

At a future meeting the officers of the Future Homemakers of America will pick national and state projects related to this year's theme "to dare is to care." The girls hope to attend a state conference in Pittsburgh this year.

The Future Teachers of America plan to make trips this year to area colleges. Members of this club will also help tutor Junior High and elementary students.

This year's Business Club plans to visit businesses in the area, bring in speakers, and have each student make a speech on a subject of interest. The officers are: President, Sheryl Hasselhan; Vice President, Joann Hylan; Secretary, Debbie Miller; and Treasurer, Pat Urban.

The Pottsgrovia Staff is planning something new to be announced later.

or excessive maintenance problems. This policy of regulations will be effective for a trial period from October 14, 1970, to February 9, 1971. After this period the board will determine what action shall be taken.

Another topic brought before the Council this year is open dances. A committee has been discussing a suggestion to allow students to have their hands stamped at separate dances for the Junior and Senior High.

Student Council representatives give weekly reports to their homerooms, at which time students can make suggestions.

Student Council is held second period every Tuesday in room 408. Anyone interested may attend.

ing from sixth to seventh grade. A new facility will allow greater flexibility in instruction. Independent study, large and small group instruction, and interdisciplinary team teaching will be conducted.

The new intermediate school will be located on Buchert Road across from Randy Run. Mr. Terrence D. Kacik has been named Principal Elect of the proposed school.

### Modern Design

Buchart Associates, an architectural firm from York, Pennsylvania, was selected to design the school. Meetings of teachers from both elementary and secondary schools were held to gather their best ideas to be included in the design. Present plans include the following new areas: instructional materials center, audion, conference and seminar rooms, and a student activity room. A swimming pool is also included in the basic design, but may or may not remain in the final plans—this depends on the cost of this area.

At this time it is difficult to arrive at a time schedule, but completion of the school is anticipated for September, 1972.

## GUIDANCE PLANS HIGHLIGHTED WITH HIGHER EDUCATION NIGHT

On Wednesday, October 28, Pottsgrove High School hosted a number of parents, students, and college representatives. The event was Higher Education Night. Its purpose was to enable students and parents from Owen J. Roberts, Pottstown, Pottsgrove, and St. Pius X high schools to speak with representatives from various colleges throughout the state. Approximately fifty schools were asked to attend, and most accepted the offer. The program began at 7:30 p.m.

Three half hour sessions were held. At that time, parents and students met with the representatives for a question and answer period.

On Saturday, October 24, for those interested juniors, the guidance department administered the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test of the College Entrance Examination Board. The test was given so that students could achieve guidance and experience in test taking. Those juniors wishing to

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# Letters To The Editors

To the Editors:

I think that most students in the school are lacking school spirit for the football team. After all, this is a small school and the guys that do go out really try.

Anonymous

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To the Editors:

Pottsgrove students are too often accused of apathy. It is becoming such a trite complaint!

The Pep Club this year is undergoing a facelift. We are striving to make it a dedicated, supporting group of students. With funds raised by our Pep Club buttons and donated by the Girls' Tennis Team, we are going to buy our own supplies. We're going to make it!

But we need a lot more support from the students. Anyone willing to help us paint signs on Wednesdays is invited. Everyone is encouraged to come to the games and cheer with us. What about it Pottsgrovians?

Let's do the job this year!

With hopes of success,  
Nancy McClurken

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To the Editors:

I feel that dramatics is missing from our student curriculum. There is much emphasis on athletic, literary, and musical areas, whereas there is little or no concentration on the theater.

## Afterward

We turn we look

Into the soul of the Pottsgrove

I suggest that a drama club be created or some other means of devoting attention to the finer arts.  
Frustrated Actress

Editor's Note:

Any reader interested in starting a drama club should indicate his enthusiasm by writing to this column. If enough response is shown, we will take some action to see if such a club could be started.

Complaint and apathy: are these what we want? So big deal, we lost a couple of our games. What are we going to do? Cry for the rest of our lives? No, maybe it would be better for us to complain.

"Why don't more kids go out? I mean, if we'd have a bigger squad, we'd have a better team." (So, instead of taking the 5:30 bus home, we ride the 3:05. And we find

something to complain about that too. Oh well, you can't win 'em all!)

After we go through a whole long list of things wrong with our teams—from chess to squash—we sit back (proudly, of course!) and with an attitude of self-approval, we stand staunch and ready to defend our destructive criticism. We go so far as to live by the ex-

istentialistic philosophy (a 25c word for the 5c idea of living by one's own convictions) and claim to do just that. What a joke! (Look, babe, it's not the human race. It's you and me, unless, of course, you'd rather expound upon some other unrelated tangent that has absolutely nothing to do with why we lost our first thirty games.)

Well then, would ya shut up!

(Wow, and does this guy listen! When he finally does shut up, he shuts up!)

"O.K., O.K., I don't care, we never win anyway. I only have two more years here. I'll like college then." (Laugh, laugh—the grass is always greener . . .)

(Doctor, please help me.)

Medical report:

General description of patient: either sick, tired, or sick and tired.

Diagnostic interview: Nill, would not respond to any questions.

Recommended treatment: injection of Ex-Lax into brain. (What other cure do you have for a constipated mind?)

Would you please sign my eligibility card? ("After class!")

Will this ever happen? Do you think we will ever be able to shatter the shambles of apathy? Can we learn to abstain from complaint? Will mankind suddenly experience a metamorphosis like never before and open the doors of his mind? (Will we win our thirty-first game—not to change the subject?)

Who cares? I'm the biggest hypocrite of all, anyway.

## Don't You Just Love To Go To Ping-Pong Championships?

By Darwin Kirchhof

## POTTSGROVE PUT-ONS

Is the Falcon being bribed? Mr. Friedman modestly requested a full-page article and picture of himself in return for a five year subscription. Our reporter came back with, "How about a quarter inch title in the lower left hand corner on the last page?"

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El Cheapo rides again? It seems that Harry Heller has a problem riding the school bus. Way to go, Harry!

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English class is "finger lickin' good" for Mr. Dori's Vo-tech class. After one student brought in a big barrel of Kentucky fried chicken, even Mr. Dori couldn't resist Col. Sander's specialty.

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Mad scientist on the loose! A promising chemist, Darwin Kirchhof, almost poisoned his whole chemistry class. What a gas!

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Attention PHS! Did you know that well-known quarterback, Gary



## POTTSGROVE'S BARNYARD

By Drew Jacob

Moo, Bah, Oink, Bray. The animals were talking in the lobby.

"Bray," said Donkey to Sheep. "I don't understand why this isn't that. Also, what is the answer?"

"Bah," said Sheep. "You lead and

This hurt Stallion, so he said, "Well then, I don't care anymore," and stomped off. He stood on the hill, alone.

Sheep said, "I'll follow."

Goat said, "I'll lead."

Why do we  
Never see  
What is?

Blind man  
Tell me!

The sun shines somewhere  
In me it rains.

Why do we hurt each other?  
Someone, Why?

Oh Please  
Tell me The answers.  
The answers.  
Only I

Can answer the questions.  
It's within me,  
Oh agony.

Let me find them.  
Let me find them.

I don't want to be different."  
"Oink," chimed in Pig. "I see that  
Goat isn't doing anything for me.  
I want him to do all the work."

Then Goat said, "Do what I say  
or I'll butt you."

Stallion said, "Go ahead, but I'll  
stand firm." But Stallion got but-  
ted, and the others cowered in fear.  
They said in unison, "Don't hurt  
us."

Lo and behold, the Mare and  
other Stallions (equals) joined Stal-  
lion. The Goats were set back, but  
still ruled.

And Cat licked his paw.  
Cow said, "I agree with Goat."  
When asked why, she replied, "I  
agree with Goat."

Cow said "I agree with Goat."  
And the wise Cat thought to him-  
self, "Fools. All of them fools." He  
licked his paw.

End.

#### Words to Contemplate

Stupid ..... Who me?  
Apathy ..... No, You!  
Wishy-Washy ..... Who? What?  
Heat ..... Why me?  
Strict ..... Who me?  
Smelly ..... No You.  
Death ..... For me?  
Dissent ..... Right on!

It's the students that make the  
school, not the school that makes  
the students.

Jeff, don't pull "his strings" too  
hard!

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The biggest put-on is that there  
is an acute shortage of put-ons. Are  
the days of fun in the classroom  
over? Where have all the class  
characters gone?

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#### Notable Quotes

"This is a movie, this is a book,  
and this is a play." Cindi Coles.

"I know I get persnickety at  
times . . ." Mr. Marshall.

"My name is Alan Scott Rogers,  
but you can call me Big Al!" Scott  
Rogers.

"Amazing! Isn't it?" Skip Ne-  
ville.

"Your attention, please!" Anon-  
ymous.

"Can I quote you on that?"  
Anonymous.

## WHO? ME?

"You must have been there. Your  
friends were!"

"Who? Me?"

Ever been accused of something  
you did not do? Did your class  
ever get a lecture because of the  
deeds of one or two classmates?  
Was your team ever called a bad  
loser because one wise guy booed  
the ref? If so, then you are a  
victim of guilt by association.

What about the person(s) who  
let the shadow of guilt fall upon  
you? Did they do it unintentional-  
ly?

Almost everything you do re-  
flects on something or someone  
else. If you are active in a sport  
you know that the attitudes of one  
can label many. If you participate  
in a musical organization you know  
that a few sour notes can spoil a  
masterpiece. And, if you are on a  
publication staff you know that one  
bad picture, article, or poem can  
ruin what might have been the best.

Did you ever stop to think: How  
is a school judged? Every good  
organization gives a school a great  
reputation. By the same token,  
any poor ones downgrade it.

Students, how do you want **your**  
activities to appear? You are as-  
sociated with PHS and vice versa.  
Will you cast a shadow or strive  
for a glimmer of light?

Who? You!

**WANTED:** Ambitious teacher for  
an interesting and rewarding ex-  
tra-curricular activity. Please  
contact Senior Class Play Com-  
mittee.

## STUDENTS VOICE THEIR OPINIONS ON P. H. S. CAFETERIA LUNCHES

Did you know that you can't pack  
spaghetti in a paper bag? This is  
one reason why a Pottsgrove stu-  
dent buys his lunch in the cafeteria.  
Recently, the Falcon staff took a  
poll of the students' opinions on the

cafeteria. The cafeteria is a place  
where the students can meet their  
friends and discuss the day's events.  
Lunch is the favorite time in most  
of the students' day, it is the time  
to which students look forward.

#### Survey Results

Three hundred and seventy-five  
students out of the four hundred  
and fifty-one polled buy their lunch  
in the cafeteria and rate it good to  
fair in taste while they rated it  
only fair in appearance. When  
asked, "How would you improve the  
lunch?" some students said, "More  
food for less money," while an-  
other said, "Serve articles separate-  
ly."

The students agreed that they  
have enough time for lunch but  
that the lines are too long and they  
spend most of their lunch time  
waiting to be served. Most of the  
students said that the doors do not  
confuse them, but they do wonder  
if they should be standing in the  
hall.

"It's a chance to talk to my  
friends," is the reason why most  
students enjoy their lunch.

## MR. GUARINO ALTERS WAYS OF TEACHING THIS YEAR

This year there are several new  
additions to the Spanish depart-  
ment. When questioned about  
these new items Mr. Guarino jok-  
ingly replied, "Well, Miss Betham  
is new." Miss Betham teaches  
Spanish on the Junior High level,  
and is the new member of the staff.

The second through fourth year  
students have ordered newspapers  
as supplements to their classwork.  
The edition for third and fourth  
year students is called **Hoy Dia**.

The second year edition is **El Sol**.  
Mr. Guarino said these are to stim-  
ulate class discussions. The news-  
papers contain current events, cul-  
tural articles, vocabulary words,  
comics, and puzzles.

Students in Spanish III are using  
a paperback book of Spanish idioms  
which are essential for learning to  
speak Spanish well. Mr. Guarino  
stated that these books are to  
achieve writing and speaking abil-  
ity.

## COACHES' CORNER

Head coach of Pottsgrove High School's football and track team is Mr. Charles Kenneth Harclerode. Beside coaching, Mr. Harclerode is head of the Industrial Arts department. During the summer he is in charge of playground recreation in the elementary schools.

Mr. Harclerode attended Lancaster High School. He participated on the football and track teams. After two years in the navy, he went to Millersville College in which he majored in Industrial Arts. In athletics he participated in football and baseball. Although he was planning to become a teacher, a great ambition of his was to become a professional baseball player. But, because of an injury, the idea had to be dropped.

In the games played so far, mistakes, both mental and physical, have hurt the team. But the team played exceptionally well against Boyertown with few errors. Coach Harclerode was very pleased with the performance of the team.

Mr. Harclerode enjoys teaching. He also loves to coach and plans to continue as long as possible. He is truly dedicated to the sport and the players he coaches.

Cross Country is a lonely sport. No one knows it better than its runners and their coach, Mr. Edwards. Mr. Edwards tries to instill in his runners a winning attitude. He knows that everybody would like to win, "But they want to win like I want a million dollars."

In Cross Country, skill is not the most important asset. The runners

# Sports '70

## FALCONETTES START SEASON WITH TIE; STRONG DEFENSE SHOWN WITH WHIPPETS



## Falcon Losing Streak Broken at Boyertown

The 1970-71 Falcons finally have broken their Ches-Mont losing streak of 25 straight games after beating Boyertown on the Bears' field. Coach Harclerode was quite pleased with the victory after seeing great defensive and offensive

league game on Thanksgiving. We have a record of 3-3 and hope to finish higher in our standing after beating Coatesville. The team was up for this game after coming back from a 51-0 defeat last season.

Saturday, October 31, Pottsgrove

Did you ever find out the reason for the hockey players' appearance during the heat wave? It was due to their practice at six o'clock in the morning; they looked slightly disheveled all day. Their hard practice, however, resulted in a strong defensive game with Downingtown.

The Varsity tied their first league game with Downingtown with a score of 0-0.

During their second game with Owen J. Roberts, Priscilla Smith and Kathy Estock scored two goals against Owen J.'s four. The score was 2-1 at halftime with Pottsgrove leading. But the lead changed when Owen J. Roberts scored three straight goals. The junior varsity won with a score of 1-0. Meg Gross scored the goal.

The turning points in the game came about when Kathy Estock scored the only goal of the game with Boyertown. The junior varsity resulted in a 0-0 tie.

Pottsgrove showed their strong defense when they tied Phoenixville with a score of 1-1. Meg Gross, a sophomore, scored our only goal. The junior varsity score was also 1-1, with Debbie Rainis scoring the goal.

A special pep rally was given for the girls' hockey team and cross country team. During this pep

## Harriers Rally Behind Stauffer

This year's cross-country team suffers much the same as it and several other sports have suffered in past years at Pottsgrove. It suffers from a lack of spectators. Despite this and their 2-9 log, the Harriers have kept their morales high.

This year, the team has twice as many members as it had last year with 18 participants and one manager. Mr. Edwards, as coach, and Ken Stauffer, as captain, led the Harriers through a rough practice which includes one to two miles of wind sprints, a two mile warm up run, and a four to six mile endurance run each night.

### New Course

The team is running its home meets on a new course this year. This new course covers about 2.45 miles. It begins and ends on the track and is run in the vicinity of the high school.

At the end of this year's season, the team will lose two seniors, Ken Stauffer and Dean Sutton. However, there are several promising runners to replace them next year with Dave Supco, Dave Galloway, and John Mauger. Returning also will be John Pitchford, Tim Yoder, Gary Showers, Carl Altman, Donald Sutton, John Smyk, John Rhoads (juniors), Tom Ujszaszy, Edwin Alderfer, Michael Brilla, Richard Brandel, Roy Edinger and Larry Brunner (sophomores).

There were no ninth graders out



their own. Not only during a practice, but also on weekends. Mr. Edwards would not like his team to just run; he would also like them to swim, play football, or any other fast moving sport. "If there was a clean pond around, I would let them swim in it." This shows that Mr. Edwards is a modern coach. His interest is not only in strict running, but includes other phases of endurance training.

Mr. Edwards attended West Chester State College where he received his Bachelor of Science degree. During his years at college he ran the mile, but he confesses that he was only an average runner.

Most coaches have a saying such as: "It's not if you win or lose, but how you play the game." There is a saying which describes Coach Edwards' and Coach Harclerode's feelings. This one reads: "Winning isn't everything, it's the ONLY THING."

## Sports Calendar

### Varsity Football

Oct. 31—Great Valley  
Nov. 6—Spring-Ford  
Nov. 14—Owen J. Roberts  
Nov. 26—St. Pius X

### Girls Hockey

Oct. 30—West Chester  
Nov. 3—Spring-Ford

### Cross Country

Oct. 31—District Championships  
(Valley Forge)  
Nov. 7—State Championships  
(Penn State)

both score and statistics. They held Boyertown to a total of 1 yard rushing while the Falcons were paced by Nick Lazorak running 96 yards in 21 carries. The only score of the game came on a 63-yard drive that finished with a 1 yard plunge by quarterback Gary Troyan in the second quarter. Boyertown's only scoring threat came when there were 17 seconds to go in the game, and Mitch completed a pass from his own five-yard line; he was, however, tackled on the 30 yard line by Randy Kozel.

A week after their stunning victory, the Falcons faced Phoenixville at home and were defeated 34-8. Pottsgrove turned the ball over 7 different times with both fumbles and pass interceptions. The lone Falcon score came on a seven yard run by Rick Mettler. Gary Ludwig caught a pass from Troyan for the 2 point conversion.

The Falcons now have three league games remaining and a non-

## GUIDANCE PLANS

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apply for any sort of scholarship will be given the National Merit Scholarship Test this February. The College Entrance Examination Boards will be taken by most juniors this May. However, there are six other months in which the College Boards may be taken.

Seniors wishing to further their education will take the Scholastic Aptitude Tests in November of this year. In December, the Achievement Tests of the College Boards will be given to the seniors.

For those interested freshmen and sophomores, the National Education Development Tests will be given in February or March of this year.

on their home field. We will travel to Spring-Ford on Nov. 6 for our last night game of the season. The Falcons will finish their league games with Owen J. Roberts at home on November 14. The players feel that they could go all the way in winning the last three games.

# Junior High School Intramurals Receive Participation From Future Falcon Stars

This year the Junior High Varsity Football Team has a new look. The Jr. Falcons have 37 ninth graders on the team as compared to 17 on last year's squad. This year's team is strong and fast and promises to finish way up in the Ches-Mont standings.

The team's first game was played away on the Spring-Ford field. The Falcons took a 32-6 beating in that game, their lone score came only after Don Mentzer returned a Spring-Ford kickoff 85 yards for a touchdown.

Mr. Karsnitz and Mr. Work, this year's fine coaches, cited little things as the problems that lead to the defeat, but they say the team will overcome them for their remaining games.

The Junior High Junior Varsity faces a problem of replacing the 8th grade players who have made the Varsity squad. To help fill these gaps they are using some first year men and some seventh graders. Mr. Knoll feels that the team will work hard to have a good season and be ready for next year's varsity.

This year, for the first time, Mr.

Moore talked on the idea of leadership throughout the team. Mrs. Flamm added that the team has a strong bench of juniors, sophomores, and freshmen.

The hockey teams' future encounters with West Chester and Spring-Ford hope to result in victories for Pottsgrove.

for the team this year. The only manager is Terry Yoder, a junior and a former runner.

With more spectators, more interested people, and more participants, next year should be a much better season for the Pottsgrove cross-country team.

Wentz and Mr. Bartholomew have 57 seventh graders participating in intramural football. The young football players have been organized into the Red, White, Green, and Gold Teams. They play their games every Wednesday on the high school field.

### Intramural Hockey

Intramural hockey in junior high teaches the basic skills of field hockey. These skills are then

put into use by playing games for the remainder of the season. Practice is once a week for eight weeks but the day varies since the field can only be used when the hockey team doesn't need it. There are currently about 25 girls out for it and according to the sponsor, Mrs. Lindemuth, some of the players look very promising. She is hoping that most of the girls will continue to play in the following years.



## FAMILIAR FACES



**NANCY McCLURKEN**

This blonde-haired, blue-eyed senior can always be seen leading the pep rallies as part of her role as pep club president. Her other school activities include Varsity Club, National Honor Society, Student Council, and chorus. This last item is of special importance since Nancy was a member of District Chorus last year and may be a member of State Chorus this year. This spring will find her once again playing varsity tennis. Nancy also was a member of the 1970 Homecoming Court.

Nancy lives with her parents and her collie, Sandy, at Mulberry and Mt. Vernon Streets, Lower Pottsgrove. Her brother, Jim, is a student at Washington University.

Nancy's out-of-school activities include serving as a student aid at Pottsgrove's night school and as an alto soloist at St. James Lutheran Church.

Nancy spent part of this past summer in France. As a result, she enjoys French foods, French boys,



**MR. RONALD WALKER**

Mr. Walker, our school band director, has many duties around P.H.S. Besides directing the marching band, he has junior and senior concert band, teaches music to the junior high students, and has classes in the senior high for those students who desire to excel in music.

A graduate of Newburgh Free Academy, he went on to Gettysburg College where he majored in Music Education. Mr. Walker is now studying for his Master of Music in Performance on the tuba. He hopes to receive his Doctorate Degree in Music and wishes to teach at a college.

Mr. Walker is married, but has no children. He hopes to have an average family of two or three children in the future. Among his favorite hobbies are working with electronics and model railroads. He also enjoys playing softball and watching football.

### Outlooks for the band

His hopes for marching band include entering it in a Cavalcade in the near future. He feels that if the band front, twirlers, color

## Pollution Main Topic Of Clean Air Week

The week of October 19th was designated as Clean Air Week in the Delaware County. Thursday, the 22nd, was named Clean Air Day. All students at Pottsgrove High School were urged to walk to and from school, or use mass transit instead of cars on that day.

The purpose of Clean Air Week was to make people aware of all the pollution that comes from cars and trucks. This week showed that the people are concerned about this pollution problem in the community and they want something done about it.

Let's help the people and the community solve this grave problem!

## Guest Feature

I am finished, utterly destroyed. Never again will I be myself; my dreams for the future will never be the same. My star-studded world of pep-rallies and football games has disappeared in one gigantic flash, like a gaily colored balloon striking the harsh rocks of reality. My brother stepped on a land mine in Vietnam last week.

For this death I and I alone am responsible. I butchered my brother just as surely as if I had plunged a knife in his back. I can hide my guilt in medieval sorcery and burn incense at his casket, but I cannot bring him back. For this my heart burns in anguish.

How could I have been so blind? For centuries man has tolerated war; some made it an art. I tolerated an evil war for twelve years.

# VO-TECH NEWS

### Distributive Education

The Distributive Education store celebrated their grand opening with a balloon contest. This year's store will be buying its merchandise from wholesalers, selling it at discount prices. There will be a variety of new products including peace symbols, confetti, Halloween masks, safety shoes, greeting cards, ties, and many other items. The store is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 in the morning to 3:00 in the afternoon.

### Auto Mechanics

The Auto Mechanics Shop is open to anyone who wishes to have repair work done on their car. There is no labor charge and parts

are sold at their original cost. The procedure for entering a car in the garage is:

A work request is needed. It must be approved by instructors.

The bill should be paid at the Vo-Tech office.

If you need gas, the service station will be open from 8:30 to 11:00 in the morning and 12:00 to 2:12 in the afternoon.

### Horticulture

This year, the Future Farmers of America elected officers for the 1970-71 school year. Two Pottsgrove students, Randy Egolf and Terri Moore, received the offices of vice-president and secretary respectively.

### Cosmetology

Clairel National Education Alliance sent a flyer to the Vo-Tech School asking for a representative to participate in their contest. Pottsgrove was fortunate in having Joanne Curry elected as representative for the Vo-Tech School. Joanne has to meet special requirements which include writing an essay on hair dressing, creating a hair style and color formula using Clairel products.

We would like to wish Joanne the best of luck in the competition.

## ROGER'S SINCLAIR

Keim Street & Buchert Road

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Victor Hugo summed up my challenge, "When I say I, it is you, I am talking about."

Nancy's future plans include attending college as a probable English major. After college she wishes to return to France for a visit.

they will soon prove to be good show material.

Mr. Walker's only comment on the faculty and the students at Pottsgrove is "excellent."

## 1970-71 falcon staff

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