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1974

THE TROJAN

Calendar of Events January

- 24 Jr. High Tourney
- 25 High School Baskt. Ball Findlay (Here)
- 26 Marla Edgcombe and Steve Frontz's birthday
- 28 Meridian Tourney at Assumption. Jr. High Baskt. Ball Cisco (Here)
- 30 Assembly Program. Ann Manley's birthday. 2:30 dismissal.
- 31 Jr. High Baskt. Ball Clinton (There)

February

- 2 Ground Hog Day Freshmen Tourney at Maroa
- 4 2:30 dismissal
- 5 High School Baskt. Ball Tower Hill (There)
- 6 Jim Underwood's birthday
- 8 High School Baskt. Ball Stonington (There)
- 9 Freshmen Tourney at Maroa
- Janien Burns' birthday
- 12 No school!
- 14 St. Valentine's Day H.S. Community Club open house. County Band Festival at Blue Mound 7:30
- 15 High School Baskt. Ball Lovington (There)
- 17 Bob Darling's birthday
- 19 High School Baskt. Ball Moweaqua (here) 2:30 dismissal.
- 21 Rick Stoutenborough's birthday.
- 22 High School Baskt. Ball Bethany (There)
- 25 Regional Baskt. Ball

The wife got her car fouled up in a traffic jam. Every turn she made was blocked until she finally couldn't move at all. "What'll I do now?" she wailed to her husband. "I certainly couldn't say," he replied, "but I bet if you climbed into the back seat you'd think of something."

Stephanie Hall

This year, the seniors will have three people who will graduate at the end of the first semester. Kathy Dooley, Steve Frontz, and Bob Darling have all worked extra hard to gain their credits at the middle of this year. This meant that they were taking five or six subjects when most of us were taking four, and for Kathy it meant taking two hours of P.E. every day. Plans for the future? Bob will enter Illinois State University in Normal second semester as a freshman there. He will be majoring in Industrial Technology and start with basic courses of history, speech, economics, etc. Kathy wants to travel and work and get the feel of being completely independent. She might travel to Wichita, Kansas, where she will stay with Donna Leonard and her family. Steve's plans include working full time at Firestone in Decatur and just enjoying being out of here. Best wishes, you three, lucky people!

Amy Wilson

Mr. Ernie Peck was the speaker for the Science club at the December 12 meeting. He is an analytical chemist from the research division at ADM. He gave a talk on how chemistry is related to agriculture, this being an agricultural community. All of the Science club members are asked to be thinking about their Science Fair Project.

PAM. FILES



HOPES FOR '74

- TL-JK keeps her end of our bargain.
- MH-MY gets his new car
- MY-MH cuts off her nails
- DE-PH keeps working and hanging in there till Dec. 23, 1974.
- LM-To CW hope we can make it till Easter vacation and summer vacation.
- KL-TW and I can make it through the next 2 1/2 years.
- MH-I don't flunk Algebra I
- LP-EW let's his hair grow longer than it is now and I can quit biting my nails
- KB-To be able to stick around and make a resolution for '75.
- JL-TH-can sweat it out four more months in the hospital without going crazy.
- BP-DW comes homes from Ballast

HOPES FOR '74

What did you get for Christmas?

D.B.-A little bit of some thing.

J.W.- My tweety bird!!!!!!

B. H.-a rubber ducky!!!!!!

J.B.-A tanka truck and a inchworm that inches.

K.C.-A little bit of some thing else.

M.G.-A whole lot of nothin.

M.H.-Enough to last me till next year.

C.B.-Some weebles.

T.H.-A putt putt train.

D.B.-Everything I didn't want and nothing I wanted.

L.K.-R.U.

K.B.-A kiss form G.W.W.

S.D.-two stuffed hippos.

G.S.-My wery own dark room for doing things in the dark

B.B.-Not much

L.P.-Love and stuff

L.T.-For me to know and you to never find out.

T.B.-A lot of everything.

C.W.-Clothes and a bunch of other stuff.

C.B.-I'll never tell

M.N.-Coal and stones and sticks.

M.H.-Michael

M.Y.-Mindy

Greg Sullivan.

T.L.-J.K. keeps her end of our bargain

D.E.-P.H. keeps working and hanging in there til Dec. 23, 1974.

L.M.-to C.W.-hope we can make it til Easter vacation and summer vacation.

K.L.-T.W. and I can make it through the next 2 1/2 years.

M.H.-I don't flunk Algebra I.

L.P.-E.W. lets his hair grow longer than it is now and I can quit biting my fingernails.

K.B.-to be able to stick around and make a resolution for '75.

J.L.-T.H. can sweat out 4 more months in the hospital without going nuts.

B.P.-D.W. comes home from Dallas!

C.B.-the Seniors will be nicer.

B.H.-somebody would quit ripping off stuff out of 2nd hr. P.E.

K.W.-I wish A.B. was gonna graduate in '74.

J.S.-Eric

D.M.-M.O.L. would let me go to the away games.

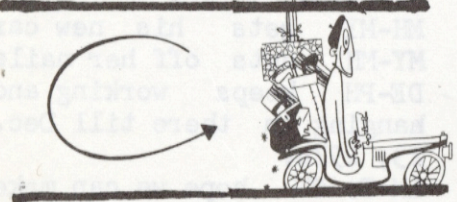
MR BIOLOGY 2



POETS CORNER-from Mr. Campbell's Collection:

Don't give me a home
Where the insects all roam
Where the flies and the
waterbugs play
Where seldom is heard
A human word
And the skies are buggy
all day.

Home, Home with the bugs
Where they use each other
for rugs,
Where seldom is heard
A human word
And the skies are buggy all
day.



NEW YEAR'S ACTIVITIES

M.B.-Took T.C. to next door neighbor's party.

D.D.-Took my boyfriend home at 4:00 in the morning.

R.C.-Went to a party.

J.W.-Crawled around with M.T. in his bathroom.

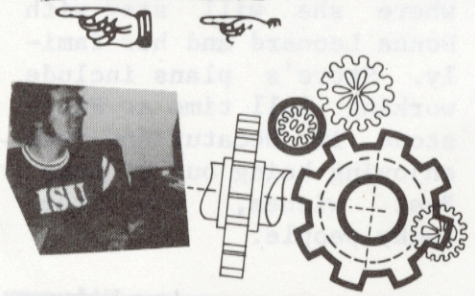
D.O.-Stayed at home.

V.S.-K.M. and I stayed home and made milkshakes.

L.O.-Talked to K.L. and M.J. and ate a cheeseball.

A.P.-I don't remember.

B.M.-Went to neighbors.



From the English Classes:

Friendship
Is a little bit of giving,
And a little bit of love,
With a little bit of blessing,
Coming from above,
Just a little bit of thoughtfulness,
To make some pathway bright
Is all it takes from friendship,
To blossom overnight.

SNOW



The snow is the blanket covering earth, the sleeping child,
Falling from the heavens, gentle and mild.
The snow flakes bring beauty to wherever they fall
And spread over the ground like a lacy white shawl.

The snow covers the earth with a clean crisp white,
And glistens brightly in the warm sunlight.

When it finally meets and sinks into the earth,
We sill soon forget its beauty and worth.

"SCHOOL COMPLAINTS"

- C.S.-Not enough classes to choose from.
 C.W.-Can't even touch your boyfriend!
 T.S.-Can't even touch your girlfriend, either!
 D.M.-School keeps me from talking to T.W.
 K.J.-School keeps me from having fun.
 S.F.-Classes are too long and boring!
 T.G.-How boring my second hour class is.
 C.C.-Too much pressure is put on you for good grades.
 B.S.-It's always freezing, we better get out for a couple of weeks.
 M.G.-Dropping the study halls and getting out at 1:30 because the days are too long.
 M.G.-Too many gripey people
 ??.-Everyone gripes but never does anything about it.
 J.S.-I wish they'd do something about the stink in the girl's locker room.
 L.H.-S.F. keeps barging in.
 B.D.-People who can't take a hint!
 C.F.-My second hour teacher
 D.H.-The strict attitude forced on us by the administration's staff.
 P.A.-Some of the school's staff only listen to certain students and do as they say.
 ??.-My ugly green locker. Why not peeking pink or blushing blue?



Mother: I'm so glad, children, you're sitting quietly and not disturbing daddy while he has his nap.

Twins: Yes, mummy, we're watching his cigarette burn down to his fingers.



If you are a junior or senior and you've seen a new but familiar face around school, you're probably thinking of Theresa Oakes. She was a member of the Maroa-Forsyth Class of '72, and is now a sophomore at Millikin University in Decatur studying to be a math teacher. She has a brother (Tim Woodard) and a sister-in-law (Janet Oakes) still in school here. Millikin is on a 4-1-4 program, which means they have two four-month semesters with the month of January called Winter Term. This means the student spends January concentrating on one subject, either on or off campus. Theresa is spending her Winter Term here in Mr. Bingamon's classes. She observes, helps individual students, may possibly teach a class, or whatever he feels is best for her. In general, she's getting the feel of a class as a teacher instead of a student. I'm sure Theresa's going to make a great teacher, and I'd like to wish her the best of luck at Millikin and in her teaching career.

It was reported in the last issue of the Trojan that the student council had set up committees to study and hopefully solve some of the problems that are present in our school.

To date, none of these committees have officially met and subsequently no action has been taken in those areas. The council did, however, obtain music in the library. As for the student lounge, failing list requirements, and the other legislation have not received proper attention by either council or student body. Many students feel that there is "no hurry" to improve our school. With the first semester nearly over, action must be swift in order for the students to enjoy the rights that might be won.

This editorial is not mere criticism. It is an attempt to inform and persuade the student body to take a more active part in their student government. To win rights you must influence your representative to work on the issues that you feel are important. We cannot win all the freedoms we want, but the situation can be bettered. The students must accept the responsibilities that more freedoms bring. Responsibility is our most powerful weapon in the fight for more freedoms. Co-operation with the council and the administration is equally as important. If you have a problem or a suggestion bring it to your council representatives and to the newspaper. Both are meant to help you, but you must also help them.

Mike Day

ACTION!

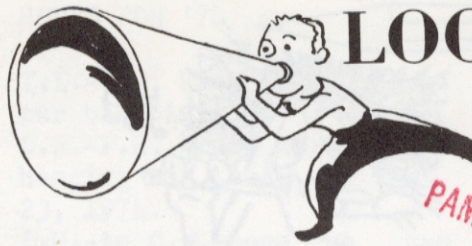


The two hunters had been sitting in a duck blind for several hours when the first flock came flying by. Harry, who always claimed he was the best shot in town, blasted away but nothing fell.

Astonished, he turned to his companion and said: Jim, you've just witnessed a miracle. Somewhere in that flock of ducks flies a dead one!



The art work of Marea-Fersyth high school students will be presented for public view in the office area of the Decatur Community College. The exhibit will last from January 14 to February 14. The exhibit consists of water colors, pastels, oils, pencils, and crayons. All are invited to view the works by the M.F. art department. All high school art classes have visited Illinois Wesleyan to view the techniques of art hangings.



LOOKING BACK⁴

SENIOR VOTE ON WHICH YEAR THEY LIKED BEST.

22-Senior year
15-Freshman year
10-Junior year
3-Sophomore year

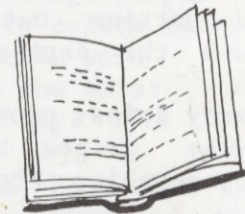
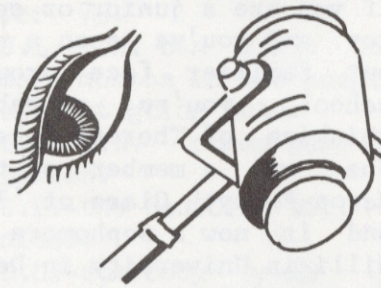
Here are a few reasons why

MB-Senior year because I got married.

DD-Sophomore year because I met KR and got promised

RB-Freshman year because everything was neat and not so boring.

RC-Senior year because I got promised to KD.



Movies

"Walking Tall" and "American Graffiti" were probably the two most popular movies this past month. "Walking Tall" was about a guy, who was once a pro-wrestler who went back to his home town and became sheriff. He fought for peace and tried to clean up all crime that was being done.

"American Graffiti" took place in 1962. There were four teenage boys who were the main characters. Two of them were getting ready to go to college. The main scheme was the guys and their cars that they had fixed up.

If you missed these movies, the next time they're on, you should plan to see them or any other movie.

Bob Darling

"Marta" by Marilyn Ross

This book is by the authors of the "Dark Shadow" series. It is a mystery that takes place twenty-five years after World War 2.

Marta is an actress who decides to have a book written about herself, but when her niece arrives to write the book, Marta has disappeared. Since she was once very friendly with the Nazis, it is thought she was murdered so she would not reveal damaging information.

This book keeps you in suspense until the end. It is also scary in some parts. So if you like books like this, I urge you to read "Marta."

Cindy Foulke