

# The Lions' Tale



West Virginia  
School  
for the Deaf



Romney, West Virginia

September 30, 1994

## Welcome, New Students



**KENNETH COLLINS**

by Jada Clark

Kenneth Collins is the fifteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cox of Huntington. He has two brothers and one sister. Before transferring to WUSD's freshman class, Kenneth attended Beverly Hills Middle School. His favorite hobbies include talking to new friends and playing basketball.

**JUSTIN J. CATLETT**

by Amanda Weasenforth

Justin Catlett is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Catlett of Martinsburg. He is 14 years old and a sophomore this year. He likes everything about this school. His favorite hobby is boxing. He has one sister and one brother. Justin comes to HVSD from South Middle School in Martinsburg.

**OLIVIA STUART**

by Donna Hornbeck

Olivia Stuart is from Parkersburg. She is 12 years old, and is in the seventh grade. Her favorite food is pizza, and she likes going to Taco Bell. Olivia enjoys making bracelets and necklaces in her free time. She also likes computers. She is the daughter of Ms. Peggy Stuart.



New students Justin Catlett and Olivia Stuart.

## Welcome Seventh Graders



Clockwise: Charity Tucker, seated; Bill Wright, Stephanie Smallwood, Ronald Lake, Olivia Stuart, and Chris Mick.



## Awards Day '93-'94

by Mary Ennis

**Marsha Ries Memorial Award** Craig Dove

**American Legion Auxiliary Award** Ruby Ennis

**American Legion** Richard Wilmoth

**Carl W. Flanagan Award (P.E.)**  
Boy - Chad Ryan  
Girl - Linda Franklin

**Best Manners (Int.)** Tammy Ennis  
Timothy Garton

(Adv.) Donna Hornbeck  
Joe Cosner

SILSU Kelly Paxton

**Outstanding Citizen (Int.)** Tressie Mitchell  
Tommy Cosner

(Adv.) Ruby Ennis  
Chad Gilman

SILSU Tracy Marcum

**Best Students (Int.)** Tammy Ennis  
Josh Liller

(Adv.) Mary Ennis  
Joe Cosner

SILSU Kelly Paxton

**English Dept.** Mary Ennis - Excellence in English  
Donna Hornbeck - Most Improved

**Reading Award (Ivanhoe)** Ruby Ennis  
Jerry Bushman

**Handwriting** Clifton Brunty  
Michael Sizemore

**Independent Reading** Mary Ennis  
Rebecca Yeater  
Jerry Bushman  
Josh Liller

**Library** Mary Ennis

**Mathematics** All students in Miss Davis's class

Mr. Farris's classes:  
Algebra - Mary Ennis  
Jr. High - Tammy Ennis  
HS - Danny McGowan

**Social Studies** Golden Horseshoe -  
Tommy Cosner

Participants: Timothy Garton, Stephen Daniels, Jason Hanshaw, Nora Martin, Chris Remsburg, Eric Crawford.

**Excellence in American History** Nora Martin,  
Jason Hanshaw, Tammy Ennis

**WU History** Tammy Ennis, T. Cosner

**Geography** Kelly Paxton

**Economics** Jerry Bushman, Dana Jackson

**World Culture** Joe Cosner, Mary Ennis

**Life Skills** Tracy Parsons

**Current Events** Thomas Cosner, Joe Cosner, Mary Ennis

Also Receiving Social Studies Awards:  
Becky Asbury, Ruby Ennis, Rich Wilmoth, Craig Dove, Chad Gilman, Linda Franklin, Tressie Mitchell, Tammy Ennis, Jennifer Lofton, Tasha Goodrich, Timothy Garton, Heather McKinney

**Science** Mary Ennis, Dana Jackson, Joe Cosner

**National Science Award** Mary Ennis, Joe Cosner

**Most Improved** Doug Martin, Damron Walton, Leroy Dunphy, Sam McCraw, Jeff Wright

**Journalism Certificates** Ruby Ennis, Becky Asbury, Mandy Berry, Dana Jackson, Donna Hornbeck

Journalism students showed their appreciation to Mrs. Cosner by presenting her with huge red editor's pen, made by Mr. Coleman.

**Quest Certificates** Tommy Cosner, Eric Crawford, Stephen Daniels, Tammy Ennis, Timothy Garton, Joshua Hamilton, Jason Hanshaw, Nora Martin, Chris Remsburg

**Business Education** Becky Asbury, Jerry Bushman, Linda Franklin

**Ex. Attitude** Stephanie Paytas, Donna Hornbeck

**Ex. Effort** Betty Pack

**Most Dedicated** Dana Jackson, Mary Ennis

**Best Typing** Rebecca Yeater

**Photography** Becky Asbury, Mandy Berry  
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(Awards Day continued)

**Home Economics**

**Foods** Ronnie McCraw, Joshua Hamilton  
Chris Remsburg, Stephen Daniels,  
Eugene Crist, Billy Calhoun

**Sewing** Jennifer Lofton, Heather  
McKinney, Nora Martin, Matt  
Johnson

**FHA** Linda Franklin  
**Parenting Class** Danny McGowan,  
Donna Hornbeck

**James Edwards Award** Ruby Ennis

**Silent News All American  
Team (1st Team)** Chad Gilman

**Highest Grade Point Average**  
7th Grade - Leslie Jessie  
8th Grade - Tommy Cosner  
9th Grade - Josh Liller  
10th Grade - (Tie) Joe Cosner and  
Mary Ennis  
11th Grade - Dana Jackson.

The Class of 1994 presented a gift to each of the sponsors, Mr. Mals and Mr. Kesler.

The Class of 1995 gave each senior a gift bag.

**Principal's Post**

by Mr. Haught

Achieving excellent results, WVSD teachers began the new school year by conducting the IEP conferences. Teacher preparation and parental cooperation made this year's process the most successful since the inception of PL 94-142 in 1974.

As a result of the North Central Association's on-site evaluation of the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind in January, 1994, each individual school received a report, which includes the strengths and recommendations for improvement of each school's program. Before the end of 1994, appointed committees will review and respond to the suggestions of the evaluation team.

Because of a required study time in the dorm each evening, students are carrying many books to the dorm. Lifting one of the heavy book bags may be strenuous. Some enthusiastic students are spending more than the required time for studying.

Although education is the most important element of a student's life, other things, such as clubs and sports, make school more enjoyable. This year, the various clubs have recruited many members. Various school activities are in progress. The girls' basketball team is competing, numerous students are preparing for the FFA competition in Morgantown, and the

members of the Trappers club are planning to attend the State Trappers Association meeting in Glenville. Also, all are considering homecoming activities.

For the 125th birthday of the West Virginia School for the Deaf, a great venerable learning center in West Virginia, the WVSD Alumni Association and the West Virginia Association for the Deaf are planning a celebration from June 22-25, just after the close of this school year.

**Teen Institute  
by Donna Hornbeck**

On August 23, the West Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind hosted the West Virginia Teen Institute summer rally. Eleven RESA VIII school representatives attended. Ms. Donna Kuhn, Ms. Dee Dee Severino, Mr. Butch Powell, Mr. John Rimmer, and Mr. Brett Lowery were both guests and leaders. In the morning, the participants became acquainted with one another. Later all played motivational games and took part in leadership activities.



**TEENS PARTICIPATE IN HERITAGE DAYS  
by Mandy Berry**

As participants in Hampshire County's Heritage Days, on Saturday, September 10, WVSD members of the West Virginia Teen Institute remained near McDonald's and distributed fliers urging all to stay drug-free.

- August**  
Ms. Shirley Davy - 2  
John Spencer - 8  
Mrs. Nancy Pownell - 9  
Mrs. Velma Woods - 12  
Stephanie Paytas - 13  
Ronald Lake - 14  
Mrs. Debra Heare - 16  
Mrs. Helen Sirk - 16  
Mrs. Brenda Shoemaker - 24  
Stephanie Smallwood - 24  
Mrs. Ann Getty - 26



## Dorm Activities

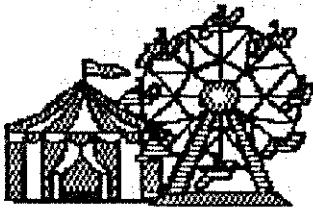
On August 17, students returned to Seaton Hall. Everyone is excited to be back to school with old friends and some new friends, too.

New students living at Seaton Hall this year are Olivia Stuart, Kenneth Collins, Justin Catlett. Moving from the elementary school are Stephanie Smallwood, R.T. Lake, and Chris Mick. Welcome to the family.

Already, the girls are practicing basketball and cheerleading. The cheerleaders had a successful car wash during Heritage Days.

The West Virginia Trappers Association invited some students to attend the state convention in Glenville as special guests.

All enjoyed the Hampshire County fair and parade and the local Heritage Days festival and parade. With a free large pizza each month as an incentive, dorm students have begun competition to keep their rooms clean and shiny and win the delicious pizza. This year, the dorm staff will make a special effort to encourage students to keep clean not only their rooms but also the entire dormitory. With much emphasis placed on study time, students must be involved in something educational during the study hour.



## Club Clips

### FFA Officers

President: Tammy Ennis  
 Vice-president: Dana Jackson  
 Secretary: Ila Baber  
 Treasurer: Rebecca Yeater  
 Reporter: MJ Ennis  
 Sentinel: Jada Clark

Activities:  
 State FFA competition at Morgantown

### FHA Officers

President: Ila Baber  
 Vice-president: Joshua Hartman  
 Secretary: Stephanie Paytas  
 Treasurer: Donna Hornbeck  
 Reporter: Ronnie McGraw  
 Sergeant-at-Arms: Chad Ryan  
 Doug Martin

Activities:  
 None scheduled yet.  
 We have two new sponsors, Ms. Davis and Ms. Meadows.

### Jr. NAD Officers

President: MJ Ennis  
 Vice-president: Tammy Ennis  
 Secretary: Dana Jackson  
 Treasurer: Tasha Goodrich  
 Sergeant-at-Arms: Danny McGowan  
 Timothy Garton

Activities for September and October:  
 Games/paint your faces during Heritage Days  
 Play production for Homecoming, The Three Musketeers

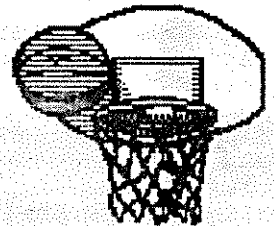
### VICA Officers

Our officers will be elected during our first club meeting.

## Sports Scene

### Girls Basketball

This year's girls' basketball team members are Dana Jackson (Sr.), Mandy Berry (Sr.), Mary Ennis (Jr.), Rebecca Yeater (Jr.), Jada Clark (Jr.), Heather McKinney (Soph.), Trassie Mitchell (Soph.), Tasha Goodrich (Soph.), Tammy Ennis (Fr.), Nora Martin (Fr.), Jennifer Lofton (Manager), Joe Cosner (Scorekeeper), Tommy Cosner (Scorekeeper), Mrs. Sevigny (Asst. Coach), and Mr. Kester (Coach).



### GIRLS' BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 20	Paw Paw	Home	7:00
Sept. 26	East Hardy	Home	4:00
Sept. 27	Capon Bridge	Away	6:00
Sept. 29	Harman	Away	6:00
Oct. 1	Hart Chapel	Away	1:00
Oct. 4	RJHS	Home	4:00
Oct. 11	Harman	Home	6:00
Oct. 12	RJHS	Away	4:00
Oct. 13	East Hardy	Away	6:00
Oct. 15	Hart Chapel	Home	1:00
Oct. 18	Capon Bridge	Home	6:30
Oct. 25	Hampshire	Home	4:30
Oct. 29	Hart Chapel	Away	1:00
Nov. 1	Paw Paw	Away	7:00

## Special Activities Announces Upcoming Drama Performances!

We are fortunate to have received a grant in the amount of \$2,307 to help support our Cultural Arts Program for the 1994-95 school year. A series of plays will be held second semester.

January 11th.....Theatre West Virginia will present the American classic

Huckleberry Finn  
1:00 PM & 7:00 PM

January 13th.....Theatre WV will present a self esteem play

Just Imagine  
10:00 AM

January 29-February 1st..."Sunshine Top"

Monday: 10:00 AM  
2:00 PM

Tuesday: 2:00 - 3:30 PM  
workshops

Public Performance  
7:00 PM

March 7th....Fairmount Theatre of the Deaf will present the critically acclaimed play

Children of a Lesser God  
One performance only  
7:00 PM

May 8th.....Theatre WV Marionette Company will present the childrens' fairy tale

Rumplestiltskin

Mark Your Calendars For  
These Very Special Events.

September

Mrs. Lena Haines - 2  
Mrs. Rue Worles - 3  
Tressie Mitchell - 5  
Charity Tucker - 16  
Miss Connie Meadows - 19  
Heather McKinney - 20  
Mr. Carl Shockey - 22  
Mr. James Dodgins - 25  
Larry Runyon - 26  
Ila Baber - 26  
Mrs. Christy Sevigny - 26



## Academic Arcade



### English Corner

**Acronyms and Initializations** are words made from the initial letters of a name. **Acronyms** are used in media, close captions, and everyday communication.

How many do you know?

FYI	RR
GA	RV
BLT	SWAK
ASAP	TGIF
IRS	TLC
MYOB	TU
POW	VEEP
PS	VIP
RIP	TDD

### Math Corner

#### Water, Water

You have a glass that holds 2 cups of water and a glass that will hold 4 cups. How can you measure out exactly 6 cups of water? (You can add more water or throw some away.)

(Can you do this in six steps???)

### Science Corner

Match the person with what they invented or discovered. Give answers to Pat Shank.

- |                                  |                                      |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| ___ 1. Thomas Edison             | a. the airplane                      |
| ___ 2. Marie Curie               | b. antiseptic medicine to kill germs |
| ___ 3. Louis Pasteur             | c. the telephone                     |
| ___ 4. Orville and Wilbur Wright | d. the microscope                    |
| ___ 5. Henry Ford                | e. smallpox vaccine                  |
| ___ 6. Joseph Lister             | f. the light bulb                    |
| ___ 7. Robert Goddard            | g. the rocket                        |
| ___ 8. James Rumsey              | h. the car                           |
| ___ 9. Alexander Graham Bell     | i. radium                            |
| ___ 10. Anton van Leeuwenhoek    | j. the steam boat                    |

### Social Studies Corner

What is the reason nations recently came together in Cairo, Egypt ?




Please give your answer to Mr. Adrian.



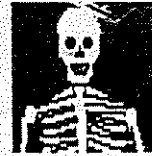
# October



Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

						Girls' BB Hart Chapel (B) 1:00 pm
2	3	Girls' BB RJHS (H) 4:00 pm	5	Faculty Senate 1:15 pm	7	8
9	10	Girls' BB Harsan (H) 6:00 pm	12 Girls' BB RJHS (A) 4:00 pm	13 Girls' BB East Hardy (JV) (A) 6:00 pm	14  Homecoming "The Three Musketiers" 7:00 pm	15  Homecoming "Girls' BB Hart Chapel (H) 1:00 pm
16 Homecoming	17	Girls' BB Cason Bridge (H) 6:30 pm	19	20	21	22
23	24	Girls' BB HHS (JV) (H) 4:30 pm	26 End of First Nine Weeks	27	28	29 Girls' BB Hart Chapel (A) 1:00
30	31  Halloween					

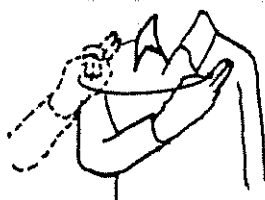
November activities:  
Thanksgiving vacation 18-27



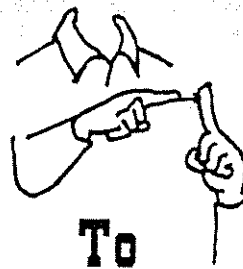
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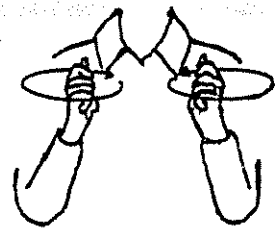
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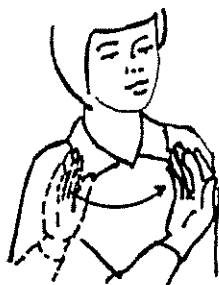
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To



Celebrate



Our



Homecoming



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## HOMECOMING

by Mary Ennis

What an exciting Homecoming this year was!

At the beginning of the week students decorated their lockers in the school colors of blue and yellow. Jada Clark, a junior, won; Rebecca Yeater, a junior, placed second; Ila Baber, a junior, also, won third. Honorable mention went to freshmen Eric Crawford, Jason Hanshaw, and Timothy Garton.

On Sports Day on Wednesday, each one dressed as one's favorite player or a representative of one's favorite team. Heather McKinney, a sophomore, won.

For Blue and Gold Day on Thursday, students dressed in variations of blue and gold. Jada Clark won again.

To the class of '98 went the Spirit Stick award for exhibiting the most school spirit in the competition in the MPR on Thursday afternoon.

To highlight the week, in a ceremony in the gym on Friday morning, Ruby Ennis, last year's queen, crowned Stephanie Paytas, this year's queen. Chad Ryan crowned Danny McGowan, this year's king. The following were princesses and princes respectively:

Grade 7 - Stephanie Smallwood and Chris Mick

Grade 8 - Kelly Paxton and Leslie Jessie

Freshmen - Tammy Ennis and Thomas Cosner

Sophomores - Tressie Mitchell and Josh Liller

Juniors - Mary Ennis and Joe Cosner

Seniors - Dana Jackson and Eugene Crist

After a delicious lunch, students and some staff enjoyed a dance and

refreshments in the dorm rec room in the afternoon.

Needless to say, all enjoyed this year's Homecoming festivities.

## FORMER GRADUATE VISITS WVSD

by Donna Hornbeck

Recently, Mrs. Eva Jo (Howell) Dobrovech, a 1970 graduate of WVSD, visited. She now lives in Burbank, California, which is near Hollywood, and works at Lockheed Aircraft Credit Union, which is similar to a bank. She has worked there many years.

Mrs. Dobrovech talked about her success and told the students they, too, can succeed. "But it is in your hands," she told the

group. "No one can succeed for you. You must make it happen yourself." Students and staff asked questions, several of which were about movie stars, Hollywood, and the recent earthquake. Mrs. Dobrovech responded and informed the audience that Brian Austin, an actor on "Beverly Hills 90210," lives near her.

## COLLEGE FAIR

by Amanda Weasenforth

On October 24, from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M., WVSD held its annual College Fair in the MPR. Eight schools had representatives present: Gallaudet University, NTID, St. Paul Technical College, Southwest Collegiate, The Institute for the Deaf from Texas, Camden College, New River Community College, and California State University at North Ridge. Each college representative brought books and information about the school, which students can keep and show their parents, spoke to the group about the school's program, and answered questions. Hopefully, students listened and learned much.

## DORM NEWS

by Dana Jackson

In their free time outside school, students

participate in many different kinds of entertainment.

Some enjoy physical activities, such as swimming, hiking, rollerblading, basketball, football, and archery. Others prefer to play pool, ping pong, four-square, or board games in the rec room.

With many alumni participating, WVSD celebrated its annual Homecoming on the weekend of October 14-17.

Recently, PFA members competed in the annual judging contest in Morgantown. For several weeks before, members practiced every day to improve their skills in dairy judging, floriculture, and forestry.

In the boys' dorm this year, all have improved on keeping their rooms clean. Roommates Danny McGowan and Tommy Cosner and Stephen Daniels and Tim Garton tied for the cleanest rooms of the advanced boys. For the intermediate boys, roommates Leslie Jessie and Kenny Collins had the cleanest room.

In the girls' dorm, roommates Mandy Berry and Rexanna Pack had the cleanest room of the advanced girls. Kelly Paxton had the cleanest room of the intermediate girls.

For staff development on Oct. 29, the houseparents went to MSSD to evaluate their program.

As before, students use their study time

wisely.

After school activities continue to entertain the students.

## CLUB CLIPS

VICA

by Mary Ennis

President - Jada Clark  
Vice-President - Clavia Stuart  
Secretary - Ila Baber  
Treasurer - Josh Liller  
Reporter - Eugene Crist  
Sergeant-at-Arms -  
Joshua Hartman

NOTE: To alleviate the financial burden of the use of paper for the morning news each day, VICA is conducting a fundraiser to collect \$700 to purchase a programmable electronic display (a flashing light) to display each day's news.

The club will graciously accept all donations toward this worthwhile project for the West Virginia School for the Deaf.

PHA

by Donna Hornbeck

Officers for this year:  
President: Ila Baber  
Vice-President: Joshua Hartman  
Secretary: Stephanie Paytas  
Treasurer: Donna Hornbeck  
Reporter: Ronnie McCraw  
Club Members: Chad Ryan, Jeffrey Wright, Timothy Garton,



Clifton Brunty, Mandy Berry, Billy Calhoun, Eugene Crist, Joshua Hamilton, Doug Martin, Danny McGowan, Betty Pack, Chris Remsburg, and Damron Walton. The sponsors are Mrs. Boley, Miss Davis, and Miss Meadows.

Our first meeting was October 6. We discussed plans for the coming year. For a money making project, we want to sell cookies. We are planning a Service Learning Project with the Elementary Department. It looks like a fun and busy year.

#### FFA

We had a good trip to Morgantown for the annual State FFA Judging Contest. Our students were well behaved and portrayed a good image of our school. The team members were some of the best we've taken to Morgantown. Most were very serious and tried very hard. As life goes, some things in the contest were changed and the last minute, and the students had to adjust to the changes. We hope the students learned that sometimes it's necessary to adjust to changes in the world.

Our teams did not win, nor did they place, individually or as a team. We had only one chance as a team, in the Floriculture event. The other teams couldn't win, because they did not have enough members to make a team. (Teams were short

because members were sick, quit, or didn't come to practice.)

Team members: Dairy, Tammy Ennis, Nora Martin, and Heather McKinney; coach, Jennifer Lofton. Floriculture, Jennifer Lofton, Ila Baber, and Mary Ennis; coach, Mr. Coleman. Nursery, Rebecca Yeater and Tressie Mitchell; coach, Mr. Leatherman. Forestry, Danny McGowan and Tommy Cosner; coach, Mr. Engelman.

rebounding. Mary Ennis is second. Mandy Berry and Dana Jackson lead the team in free throw percentage.

The team will play into November. Many changes in the schedule have occurred since the beginning of the season.

In the photo below are (kneeling, left to right) Tressie Mitchell, Jada Clark, Heather McKinney, Mandy Berry, Rebecca Yeater. Back row: assistant coach Mrs. Christy Sevigny, scorekeeper Joe Cosner, Nora Martin, Tammy Ennis, Dana Jackson, Mary Ennis, statistician Tom Cosner, manager Jennifer Lofton. Not pictured: Tasha Goodrich and Coach Kesler.

## SPORTS SCENE

by Coach Kesler

The girls' basketball season for '94 is almost finished. As of October 25 the team's record is 2-8.

Nora Martin leads the team in scoring and



# GHOST STORIES ARE SCARY

[EDITOR'S NOTE: Mrs. Getty asked some students to create a story beginning with this sentence:

"Suddenly a dark shadow appeared at the window..."]

by Mary Ennis

Suddenly a dark shadow appeared at the window. I crawled on my knees and locked the window.

Then I went to my bedside table to call 911, I used the TDD to call because I am deaf. I dialed and waited for a long time to get the operator to respond. Finally, the operator asked me, "What's the emergency?" I told him that someone was stalking my house. My dogs did not bark at all. I was nervous.

The 911 operator said, "don't leave the phone, the police are on their way to your house." The policemen found who the shadow belonged to. The shadow was my grown plant that had flipped over. I am relieved and very embarrassed!!!!!!!!!!!!

## THE NOISE

by Joe Cosner

Suddenly a dark shadow appeared at the window. It rapped on the window a few times. I ran to my bedroom and stayed there for an hour. When

the hour was up, I looked out the window and saw nothing but a tree next to it.

After that I did not hear the noise until the wind blew again. The shadow rapped on the window again and I became scared. I told my parents about the noise and they went out to check by the window.

My parents decided to stay home if it happened again. Eventually the wind began blowing again. We heard the noise again and my father walked to the window. He stood and looked closely out the window and said that it was a tree limb hitting the window. We were relieved that it was nothing serious. Now I feel better knowing what was hitting the window.

Vampire  
Thirsty and hungry  
laughing, biting,  
fighting  
Attacked a woman at night  
Bat

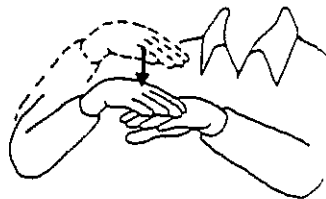
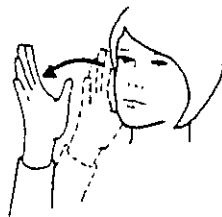
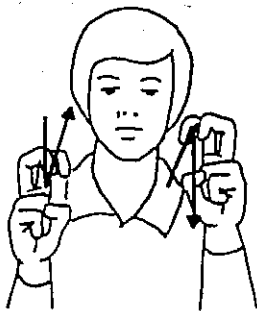
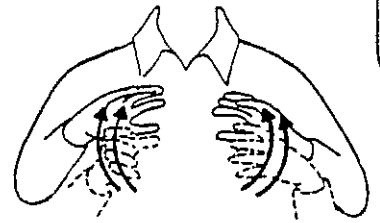
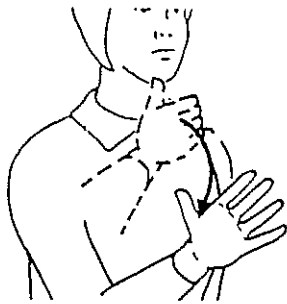
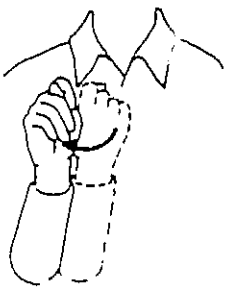
Joshua Liller

*HAPPY  
Birthday*

## October

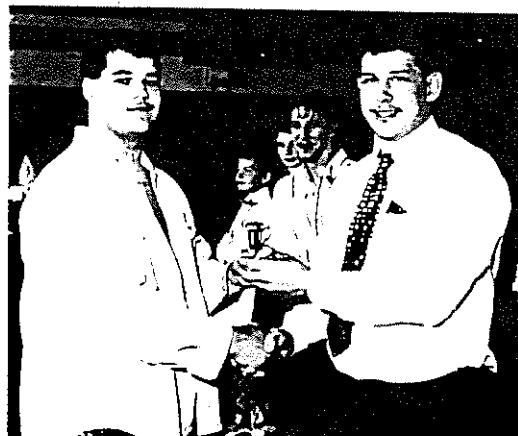
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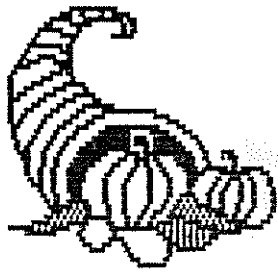
The Lady Lions' basketball tournament will be on November 15.










Photos by Dana Jackson





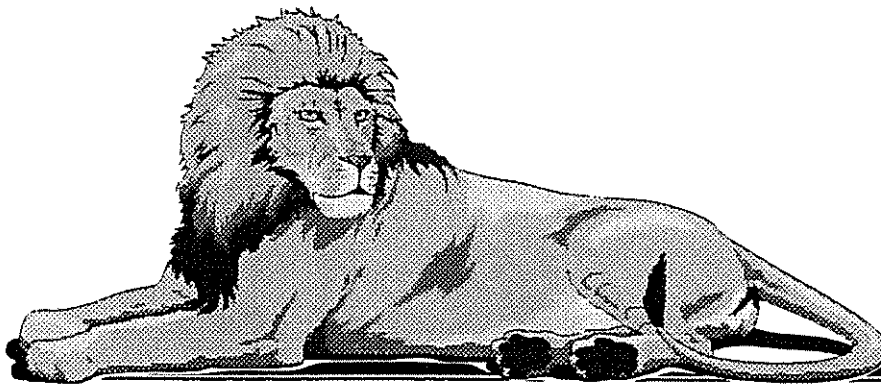
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13	14  Boys' Basketball Practice Begins	15  Girls' BB Sectional Tournament (A) 7:00 PM	16	17	18  Clubs VICA FFA  Homegoing	19
20	21	22	23	24  Thanksgiving Day	25	26
27	28	29	30 JV Boys' Basketball Scrimmage Capon Bridge 4:30 PM			

## December Activities

Teen Institute - 7-9th  
 Christmas Dinner - 16th  
 Christmas Vacation Begins - 18th



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## Baber Gets Job At McDonald's

by Amanda Weasenforth

Ila Baber, an 18-year-old junior, is working at McDonald's in Romney.

She heard that McDonald's was hiring part-time employees, so she filled out an application, went for an interview, and landed the job of cooking the hamburgers. She wanted a job to earn money and to get experience for her future. She works about twenty hours a week, which she enjoys because she has learned many things and has made some new friends.

Ila said, "I feel more comfortable with hearing people now."

## The Halley's Comet Mission

Imagine the year is 2061!

You are orbiting the sun between Mars and Earth in the Space Station Freedom as Halley's Comet, which will not pass through the solar system again for another seventy-six years, approaches. You have two hours to maneuver the space station for a rendezvous with the comet's tail and launch a scientific probe. It's a race against time!

Suddenly, warning lights come on in the space station. There is a problem with the station's water quality. It is unsafe. What will you do? Urgently contact mission control for assistance. Luckily, they



Photo by Dana Jackson

Ila Baber and coworker Jeff Long making hamburgers at McDonald's.

radio back with a solution. The crisis is over!

The above scenario awaited students at the Challenger Learning Center at Wheeling Jesuit College, Wheeling, West Virginia. Working in teams, they participated in a simulated space mission to Halley's Comet. Each team was responsible for building and launching the scientific probe, testing the air quality and water quality of the space station, checking the space station's food supply for radiation, and maintaining the space station's life support system.

Students participating in the program were Tammy Ennis, Tasha Goodrich, Leslie Jessie, Joshua Liller, Heather McKinney, Olivia Stuart, Ronald Lake, Chris Mick, and Stenhanie Smallwood.

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Chad Ryan - 4  
Rexanna Paek - 6  
Joseph Cosner - 11  
Michael Riggo - 17  
Mr. H. Shawver - 17  
Mrs. Marjorie Boley - 18  
Olivia Stuart - 19  
Mandy Weasenforth - 25  
Justin Caffell - 26  
Donna Hornbeck - 29  
Mrs. Elaine Holt - 30



## Honor Roll

Congratulations to the following students who made the honor roll for the first 9 weeks:

### A Honor Roll

Timmy Garton  
Tommy Cosner  
Tammy Ennis  
Stephanie Smallwood  
Tasha Goodrich  
Josh Liller  
Stephen Daniels

### B Honor Roll

Dana Jackson  
Stephanie Paytas  
Danny McGowan  
Donna Hornbeck  
Mandy Berry  
Ronnie McGraw  
Michael Sizemore  
Heather McKinney  
Sherman Knight  
Jennifer Lofton  
Lennie Stamper  
Tressie Mitchell  
Joe Cosner  
Ila Baber  
Rebecca Yeater  
Joshua Hartman  
Leslie Jessie  
Doug Martin  
Damron Walton  
Clifton Brunty  
Olivia Stuart  
Chris Remsburg  
Josh Hamilton  
Jason Hanshaw  
Kenny Collins  
Eric Crawford  
Chris Mick  
Ronald Lake

### DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Jason Hanshaw - 4  
Mr. Stan Mals - 9  
Mary Ennis - 14  
Chris Remsburg - 15  
Jeff Wright - 21  
Leslie Jessie - 22  
Mr. Czernicki - 30

## Improvement Council Update

As part of the North Central Association accreditation process, during the 1992-'93 school year, the faculty and staff of the Junior-Senior High School for the Deaf participated in a self-study of the school's curriculum, the school activities and dormitory activities, and the residential living program and addressed both strengths and weaknesses of the total school program.

In January, 1994, educators from other schools visited the school to interview staff and students and to observe in both the school and the dorm.

From the information obtained, the visiting team wrote a report concerning the school's total strengths and weaknesses and recommendations to improve the deficits. After reviewing the report, the school's Faculty Senate and School Improvement Council must establish a means to implement the team's recommendations.

At the last meeting, the School Improvement Council decided to focus on the following action to improve deficits in the school's program.

[1] revise the curriculum, which would include the development of an alternative educational program for students who are not college-bound

[2] expand work experience opportunities for students

[3] develop an independent living skills program for all students

[4] more recreational activities in the dorm.

## Class Announcements

Class of '95

Mr. Farris won the 50-50 raffle.

Class of '96

Juanita Combs won the Swag lamp.  
Mike Ledda won the Thanksgiving sweatshirt.

## Class Comments

### Home Economics

Recently, students in one of Mrs. Wysopal's home economics classes experienced an interesting taste test when Roger Nickelson, who works in the maintenance department at WVSD&B, brought samples of Army ready to eat meals (MRE).

Among the variety of foods, which the students sampled, were potatoes au gratin, ham slices, corned beef hash, maple nut cake, Army bread (two heels together), and Army crackers, which are harder and thicker than regular crackers and without salt.

Betty Pack liked the ham but thought that the other foods are weird. She did, however, enjoy the coffee.

Larry Runyon enjoyed the food. He would like to join the Army, but he cannot because deaf individuals are not allowed.

Ronnie McCraw, who did not like the food, has no interest in joining the Army because he likes pizza, which does not come in MRE form.

Although each has his/her food preferences, all enjoyed sampling the MRE.

# THANKS

to  
Mr. Rick Davy

for  
"fine tuning"

our  
Cable TV system



## Drug-Free Program At WVSD

To represent the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind for their award winning drug-free program, Beth Giffin and Maureen Wysopal travelled to the Southeast Regional Center for Drug-free Schools and Communities in Atlanta, Georgia.

Wearing their "Just Sign No" shirts, students, with community leaders, participate in activities such as Teen Issues Day, Deaf Awareness Week, Blind Spirit, Teen Talk, and panel discussions to learn social skills and to share their experiences in coping with their disabilities to achieve their goals.

As a part of the program, also, WVSD and B students invite hearing students from area schools to join in programs such as the Teen Day - Learning by Example to share with their peer's knowledge about self-esteem issues and ways to prevent AIDS and teen pregnancy.

Sponsored through the state's RESA VIII, the program flourishes with money from service-learning grants, sex equity grants, the West Virginia Arts and Humanities grant, the West Virginia Association for the Deaf, the alumni of WVSD&B, program activities, and donations from teachers and staff.

## What Is Your Christmas Wish ?

by Donna Hornbeck

Jada Clark - Snow for four months and a CRX car  
Mrs. Dodgins - Safe trip to Florida to visit my family  
Dana Jackson - Fancy car, a million dollars, and a CD player  
Ronnie McCraw - New car  
Matt Johnson - Hunter safety clothes



Maureen Wysopal (left) and Beth Giffin behind the WVSD&B display in Atlanta, Georgia.

Chris Remsburg - Super Nintendo with Gameboy  
Sherman Knight - Sega  
Betty Pack - Raiders sweatshirt  
Ila Baber - Fancy car and new support shoes  
Mr. Leatherman - For all students to have confidence in themselves and try hard  
Nora Martin - Bow and new bike  
Mrs. Boley - Peace on the earth  
Mandy Berry - A new car, new jewelry, and lose weight  
Tammy Ennis - To meet Aliens  
Mrs. Staley - Lots of rest  
Rebecca Yeater - New black dog  
Stephanie Smallwood - CD player, CD and Gameboy  
Mr. Adrian - Membership at the golf club  
Mary Ennis - Peace around here  
Mr. Mals - To spend more time with my family  
Danny McGowan - Spend time with my family  
Mr. Farris - Peace and harmony  
Kelly Paxton - A doll, remote-control car, and a coloring book  
Tracy Marcum - Make-up and earrings  
Lennie Stamper - A book  
Charity Tucker - Clothes and games

John Spencer - A game  
Joe Canterbury - A hot rod car  
Mrs. Liz Baldwin - To have some snow and peace  
Chris Mick - Game Gear and Gameboy disk  
Ronald Lake - CD and bow  
Bill Wright - A football  
Miss Davis - Good health for all  
Mr. Haight - All students and staff to enjoy Christmas vacation  
Mandy Weasenforth - To spend time with my son and Jerry Bushman  
Ms. Shank - To finish my dissertation and graduate from the University of Virginia  
Donna Hornbeck - Chicago Bulls sports bag  
Mrs. Heare - For all people to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas

## Halloween Party

On October 28, students congregated in the decorated recreational room in Seaton Hall from 7:30-9:30 P.M. for the annual Halloween party.

To start the fun, all participated in dunking for apples. Jada Clark placed first, Tim

Garton placed second, and Stephen Daniels placed third. Each received a certificate for a free pizza.

Next, the costumed students posed for the costume judging. Mandy Berry won for the most original, Stephanie Smallwood won for the funniest, and Jason Hanshaw won for the best.

Then, each pursued his or her own interest in board games, pool, or ping pong and ate the delicious refreshments. Some listened to the radio.

## Club Clips

### Jr. NAD

by Tasha Goodrich

This year again, the Jr. NAD participated in the "Be a Star" project by sponsoring a pizza party at which members played games with the SILSU students from 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. in the rec room of Seaton Hall. The girls competed against each other in a pool tournament; the boys did likewise. Mary Ennis placed first and Tammy Ennis placed second in the girls' contest. In the boys' competition, Danny McGowan and Michael Riggio placed first and second respectively. After the games, all enjoyed the refreshments. Committee members S. Smallwood, D. Hornbeck, E. Crist and Chairperson T. Goodrich handled the arrangements. All had a good time!

Because the students at Hampshire High School enjoyed the club's Christmas play last year, members will present another one this year.

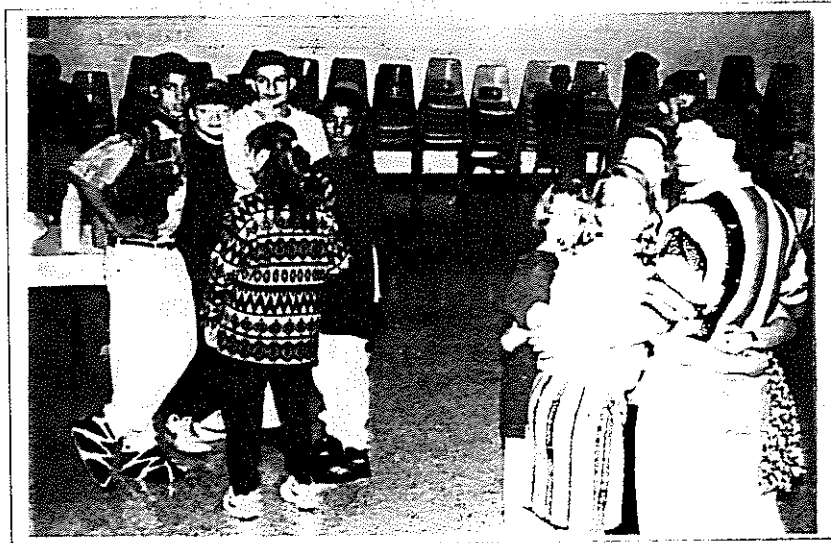


Photo by Tasha Goodrich

Is this a "Group Hug?" No, just FFA members playing a game at the Harvest Ball.

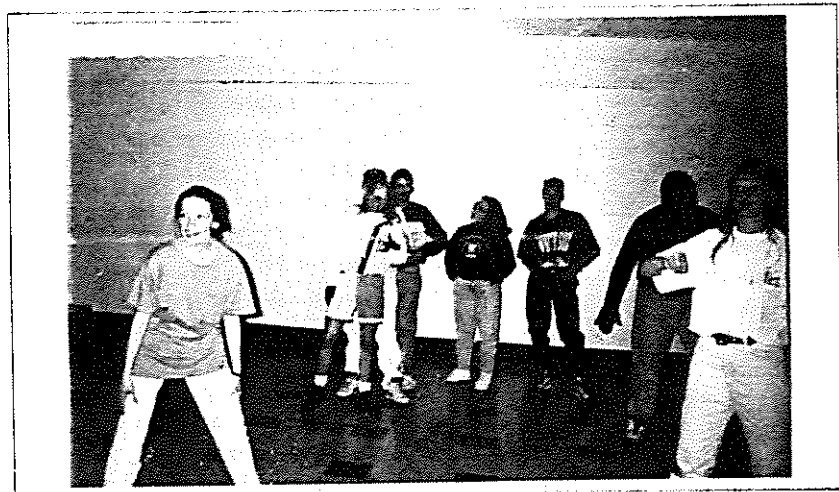


Photo by Tasha Goodrich

Looks like Jr. NAD members are having a good time!



Mary Ennis, Tammy Ennis, Heather McKinney, Tressie Mitchell, and Rebecca Yeater enjoyed travelling to Mr. Leatherman's orchard to pick apples and observe the apple processing machine, which removes bad apples and cleans the rest. Members will sell bags of apples for \$4 each.

After the Thanksgiving dinner on November 17, the club sponsored the Harvest Ball for all students.



To raise money for the FHA, club members made and sold "monster" cookies during the November 6th meeting.

On December 16, all FHA members will have a Christmas party and a gift exchange.

## Sports Scene

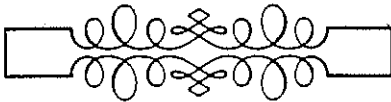
### Girls' Basketball

by Coach Kesler

The girls' basketball team finished the season on November 17 with a 2-13 record. Nora Martin led the team in scoring; Tammy Ennis led the team in rebounding. Mary Ennis was second on the team in scoring and rebounding. Leading the team in assists was Tasha Goodrich.

In the Potomac Valley Conference Sectional Tournament on November 15, Union High School, with a regular season record of 12-6, beat WVSD 54-27. Nora Martin was named to the PVC All-tournament team.

Hopefully, the players on this year's young team will continue to improve next year as they did this year. Many times the girls had to play with only six or seven players, but they tried their best.



### Jr. High, JV Basketball

by Coach Kesler

Boys on the junior high basketball team and the Junior Varsity, who began practice on November 14, will continue up until Thanksgiving break and, then, resume on November 27. The Junior Varsity will scrimmage against Capon Bridge at Capon Bridge on November 30 and open the season against Timber Ridge at home on December 3. On December 8, the junior high team will open the season against Capon Bridge away. Romney Jr. High will come here on December 10 for the first junior high home game. Following is a partial list of players:

Junior Varsity: Tommy Cosner, Leslie Jessie, Eugene Crist, Stephen Daniels, Kenny Collins, Timothy Garton, Eric Crawford, Clifton Brunty, Billy Calhoun, Michael Riggio, Jason Hanshaw, Josh Liller. Managers: Nora Martin and Jennifer Lofton.

Junior High: Leslie Jessie, Doug Martin, Kenny Collins, Timothy Garton, Clifton Brunty, Chris Mick, Ronald Lake, Sam McCraw, Chris

Remsburg, Jason Hanshaw, Justin Catlett, Jake Rittenhouse. Scorekeepers: Tammy Ennis and Tasha Goodrich.

### Varsity

By Coach Deuel

Lions' Coach John Deuel lost his top scorer, his top rebounder, and his best defensive player when Chad Gilman, who holds a school record of 2,070 points scored in his four-year career, finished his playing days last season. Coach feels, however, that the good rookies from Junior Varsity are capable of producing a good balance in scoring to compensate for the team's loss.

Returning to starting positions are Danny McGowan, a 6'1" senior forward and Joey Cosner, a 5'8" junior forward, who received the team's Most Improved Player award last season.

Other returning varsity players are Larry Runyon, a 5'10" junior forward, Joshua Hartman, a 5'6" junior guard, Joshua Liller, a 5'9" sophomore guard, and Eugene Crist, a 6'1" senior forward.

Moving up from Junior Varsity is Stephen Daniels, a star guard, who averaged 21.9 points a game last season.

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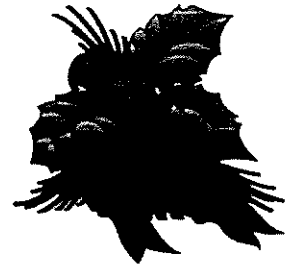
*The Lions' Tale*

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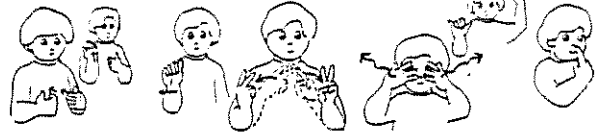


# Rudolph The Red-Nosed Reindeer

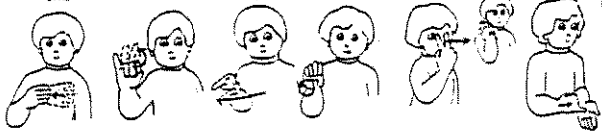
Ru-dolph, the red-nosed rein-deer



had a ver-y shin-y nose.



and if you ev-er saw it.



you wouid e-ven say it glows.



All of the oth-er rein-deer use



to laugh and call him names.



they nev-er let poor Ru-dolph



join in an-y rein-deer games.



Then one fog-gy Christ-mas Eve,



San-ta came to say,



"Ru-dolph, with your nose so bright, won't



you guide my sleigh to-night!"



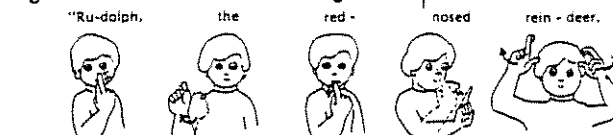
Then how the rein-deer loved him



as they shout-ed out with glee:



"Ru-dolph, the red-nosed rein-deer,







you'll go down in his-to-ry!"





# January, 1995



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Students return	3 Jr Boys' BB Union (A) 6:00 p.m. Varsity BB 7:30 p.m.	4  Varsity BB (A) E. Hardy 7:30 p.m.	5 Jr Boys' BB Flintstone (H) 6:30 p.m. Varsity BB Flintstone (H) 8:00 p.m.	6	7 Jr Boys' BB Mt. Carmel (A) 6:00 p.m. Varsity BB Mt. Carmel (A) 7:30 p.m.
8	9 JR Boys' BB RJHS (A) 5:00 p.m.	10 JR Boys' BB Paw Paw (A) 6:00 p.m. Varsity BB Elk Garden (A) 7:00 p.m.	11 WVA Theatre: 1:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. "Huckleberry Finn" Girls' VB 4 p.m. (H) RJHS	12 Girls' VB (A) C Bridge 4:00 p.m. V Boys' BB (A) VSD 4 p.m.	13  WVA Theatre "Just Imagine" 10:00 a.m.	14
15	16	17 JR Boys' BB Flintstone (A) 6:30 p.m. Varsity BB Flintstone (A) 8:00 p.m.	18 JV Boys' BB Timber Ridge (H) 6:00 p.m.	19 JR Boys' BB Harman (H) 6:00 p.m. Varsity BB Harman (H) 7:30 p.m.	20	21 JV Boys' BB Elkins Mt. School (H) 2:00 p.m. Girls' VB Hart Chapel (H) 4:00 p.m.
22	23  Girls' VB Capon Bridge (H) 4:00 p.m.	24 JR Boys' BB F. Christian Acad. (H) 5:00 p.m. Varsity BB 6:30 p.m.	25 Girls' VB Romney (A) 4:00 p.m. JV Boys' BB Davis Center (H) 7:30 p.m.	26 JR Boys' BB Union (H) 6:00 p.m. Varsity BB (H) 7:30 p.m.	27	28
29 Sunshine Too arrives JV BB (H) Elkins School 2:00 p.m.	30 V Boys' BB (A) 6:30 p.m. Oldtown Sunshine Too 10:00 a.m. Performance 1:00 p.m. Performance	31  Sunshine Too Variety Show 7:00 p.m.				





# THE LIONS' TALE

West Virginia School for the Deaf

Romney, West Virginia

January 31, 1995

## Theatre WV Performs at WVSD

by Donna Hornbeck

On January 11, Theatre WV brought to life Mark Twain's The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, a classical American tale, for students at WVSD and B.

To aid in understanding the story, the secondary deaf students viewed a movie of the same name prior to the performance, and the theatrical group provided study guides.

Afterwards, students talked with members of the group and asked questions about Huck Finn and the individual performers.

That evening, one of the actors, a professional dancer, taught some students to dance.

On Friday morning, the group presented Just Imagine, an original short drama. Afterwards, students asked questions, and several individuals gave each performer a memento of the visit.

Theatre WV was brought to WVSD through a grant from the WV Commission on the Arts and the WV Division of Culture and History.

## Christmas Spirit Week

Again this year, WVSD students and teachers celebrated Christmas Spirit Week, the week before Christmas break, with Red Day, a staff appreciation program, Dress up Day, a Christmas tea, door decorating and awards, and a visit from Santa.

To start the week, on Monday, Red Day, all arrived at school dressed in red.



Photo by Dana Jackson

Members of Theatre WV in their Huck Finn costumes.

That afternoon, the students surprised the staff with a staff appreciation program, which Miss Meadows and Mr. Coleman organized. Needless to say, the staff appreciated the recognition.

For Superintendent Carpenter's tea on Tuesday, many dressed in fancy clothes. All enjoyed eating the delicious cookies and candy, which Mrs. Wysopal's classes made, and chatting with old friends and new friends on campus.

During study hall Wednesday morning, students decorated their study hall doors. The competition was tough, but Joe Cosner, Josh Hartman, and Larry Runyon from Mr. Farris' study hall placed first; Ronald Lake, Betty Pack, and Rebecca Yeater from Miss Meadows' study hall placed second; and Ila Baber, Jada Clark, Mary Ennis, and Tasha Goodrich from Mr. Coleman's study hall placed third.

On Green Day on Thursday, one has not seen any more green on St. Patrick's

Day than one saw here at WVSD.

Before all departed for Christmas vacation on Friday, Santa Claus paid a visit and distributed candy to all students and teachers - all must have been good all year - and everyone enjoyed Beethoven II.

## Clark Gets Job At McDonald's

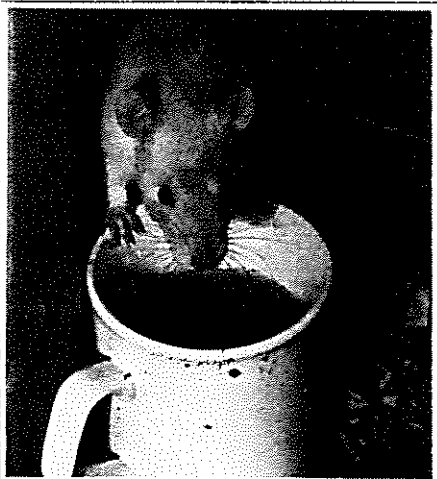
by Dana Jackson

My name is Jada Clark, and I am seventeen years old. Recently, when I heard that McDonald's was hiring, I filled out an application and, later, went for an interview. I got a job. After I completed training, I went to work. By working, I earn money for college, meet new friends, and get job experience for the future. I enjoy my job of dressing hamburgers, making French fries, fixing fajitas, and filling soda cups.

# Career Exploration

by Mr. Engelman  
Photos by Dana Jackson

On Monday, January 9, science and vocational agriculture students traveled to Cumberland, Maryland to visit pet stores. This field trip was planned as a career exploration opportunity.



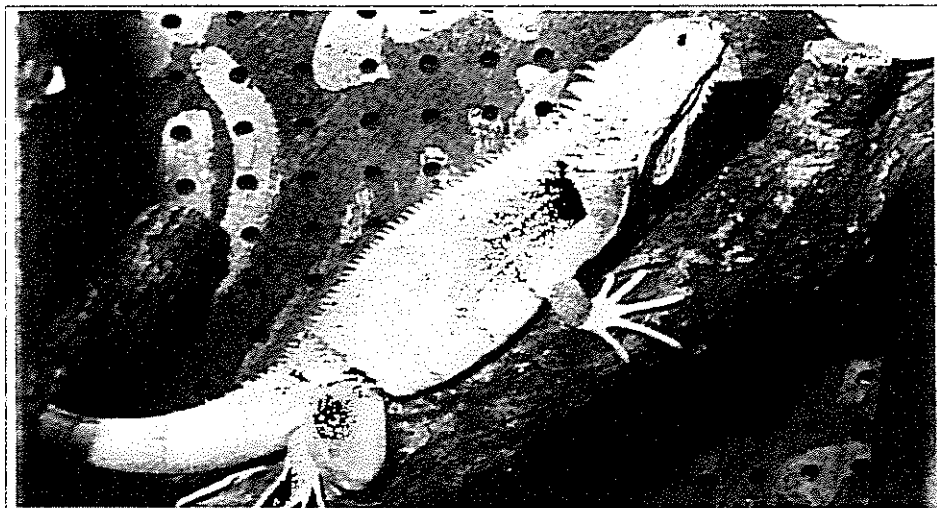
"Splinter," the white rat, recently became a mother!

The first store, Scales-N-Tails, had a large number of freshwater and salt water aquariums. We saw ghost shrimp, salt water crabs, large catfish, and one exotic fish that cost more than five hundred dollars. We also saw various lizards and frogs. The shop owner had his own personal pet lizard, an iguana, that had free run of the front counter of the shop.

While at the shop, we asked the employees about their responsibilities and duties. We asked about their pay. We asked about their working hours. We learned that the animals require tending everyday, so the store has to be opened 365 days a year.

We learned that operating a pet store is very labor intensive. Animals must be fed and watered, and their cages or aquariums tended to everyday, sometimes more than once a day. The store owner told us that the store has been open for less than a year and that they have experienced a few disasters. They have learned a lot and feel confident that the worst of the learning experiences are behind them.

One of the store employees, Garrett



"Artemisia," an iguana, is a roommate of the finches.

Rice, a Frostburg State University student, is a budding reptile expert. Garrett told us that he became interested in reptiles as a young person in order to overcome his fear of snakes. Garrett told us that his fear has become curiosity and respect. Garrett has his own reptile zoo at his home. We hope that in the spring, Garrett will visit WVSD and share his knowledge and his reptiles with us.

We next visited Petland which is located in the Cumberland Mall. Petland has a variety of rodents available for sale including white laboratory rats, mice, hamsters, gerbils, rabbits, and guinea pigs. Petland also sells ferrets, fish, birds, tarantulas, lizards, puppies, and kittens. Because the employees were so busy while we were at the store, we did not get

much of an opportunity to talk with them about their work.

For several years, science classes have kept living animals in the classroom. We have an iguana, a tarantula, and two hamsters. While at Petland, we used FFA funds to increase the size of our zoo. We bought a rabbit, two finches, a white laboratory rat, and a guinea pig. All the critters are kept in the agriculture/science classroom and work area located in the old printing shop in the basement. These animals give the students the opportunity to learn how to care for pets. The animals also give students the pleasure of holding and "loving up" cuddly critters. We have seen some very warm feelings emerge in

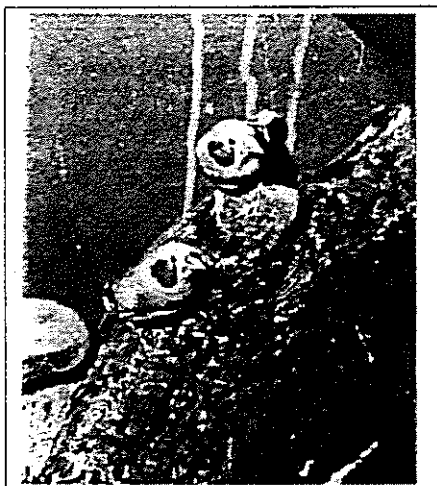
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Charity Tucker (left) holds "Grace," the white rabbit, while Tracy Marcum gives "Pinky," the guinea pig, a hug.

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a number of students. We think that the time spent with the animals is time well used.



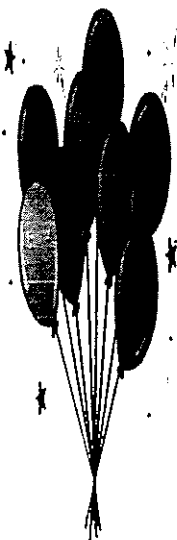
"Moe" and "Joe," the zebra finches, live in a custom-built aviary.

A week or so after we increased the size of our zoo, our mammy white lab rat blessed us with the birth of seven babies. Our students enjoy watching these babies grow. We are beginning to see hair growing on their little bodies, and their size has almost tripled in only four days.

Any time you visit our school, you are welcome to visit the WVSD petting zoo.

## January

Mr. Leatherman - 1  
Eugene Crist - 5  
Dana Jackson - 7  
William Wright - 8  
Mr. G. Ganoe - 9  
Mrs. Baldwin - 11  
Josh Hamilton - 27  
Kenny Collins - 29



## What would you change about WVSD?

Jada Clark - a fresh coat of paint on all the walls in the school and dorm (using school colors), and new two-story lockers (using school colors).

Mr. Mals - an increase in our enrollment.

Ronald Lake - changes in the dorm.

Stephanie Smallwood - changes in the dorm, and a large room for chatting during homecoming.

Bill Wright - change classes.

Chris Mick - need more deaf teachers.

Leslie Jessie - the school food.

Mr. Bill Kesler - more free time for golf, paid by the school!

Mrs. Getty - I would like to see WVSD become more aggressive in increasing student enrollment and obtaining funding for new program development.

Mrs. Davy - we need to add more vocational areas to provide marketable skills for our students.

Mr. Adrian - have more individualized educational programs for our students.

Mrs. Czernicki - should have a substitute teacher for tutoring and 209 instead of using librarian as one.

Mrs. Wysopal - each class to have a computer with Internet hook-up.

Betty Pack - A game room with many machines.

Ronnie McCraw - add a salad bar for lunch and supper.

Mr. Deuel - need to be more strict; more consistency with the level system.

Mr. Farris - vocational classes that teach the students more marketable skills.

Mrs. Boley - I would like to change the students' attitudes toward study.

Mrs. Staley - a middle school program before coming to the secondary school; more vocational offerings; work-study jobs.

Jason Hanshaw - need more education, trips and sports; need to get more kids to come to our school.

Tammy Ennis - need more education.

Ms. Shank - more study time in dorm.

Donna Hornbeck - a way for students to express their feelings.

Mrs. Dodgins - the curriculum, to better meet the needs of our students.

Mr. Sevigny - A separate department for Junior and Senior High Schools.

## PRINCIPAL'S POST

*an interview by Dana Jackson*

With numerous theatrical productions, sports events, and various meetings taking place, this is a busy time at WVSD.

In the future, the boys' basketball team and cheerleaders will travel to New York to participate in the ESDAA tournament from February 23-26, potential Thomas Edisons will exhibit their projects in the Science Fair on February 28, and many anxious skiers will hit the slopes of Canaan Valley from March 6-8.

Considering the present educational programs, the School

Improvement Council, the Faculty Senate, and the language teachers in the elementary department and the secondary department have met and discussed the possibility of obtaining grants to make changes, such as adding another vocational class and improving the language program, for the next school year.

To celebrate the 125th anniversary of WVSD&B in June, the alumni and the West Virginia Association for the Deaf are busy planning.

With the cooperation of WVCHI and the State Department, under the leadership of Dr. Mike Valentine, and the approval of the West Virginia Legislature and State Board, West Virginia public schools will include American Sign Language as a foreign language in their programs.

According to the results of the recent survey about weekly homegoings, most individuals favor the proposal.



## DORM NEWS

an interview by Ila Baber

Many exciting things are happening in the dorms.

Staying occupied, students are participating in volleyball, basketball, and cheerleading and enjoying the new board games and pool game, which one radio station donated. Soon, interested individuals will take the hunter safety class. In March, most will go on the ski trip to Canaan Valley.

All are excited about the improvements in the dorms. In December, the intermediate girls and the intermediate boys got new furniture. For use in the lobby, one man donated a large, soft sheepskin couch. Workmen painted the bedrooms in the advanced boys' dorm and will paint the bedrooms in the intermediate boys' dorm and the hallway. In Seaton Hall, a new ramp for handicapped individuals is in use.

As usual each month, in November and in December, the individual(s) who maintained the cleanest room for the month received a certificate for a free pizza. In November, Mandy Berry and Betty Pack won for the advanced girls, and Kelly Paxton won for the intermediate girls. Michael Sizemore and Billy Calhoun were the winners for the advanced boys; Kenny Collins and Leslie Jesse were the winners for the intermediate boys.

In December, Mandy Berry and Betty Pack were repeat winners for the advanced girls, and Michael Sizemore and Billy Calhoun were repeat winners for advanced boys. Stephanie Smallwood won for the intermediate girls; R.T. Lake and Chris Mick won for the intermediate boys.

All eagerly await spring when they can get involved in outdoor activities.

**NATIONAL  
FFA WEEK  
February 20-25**

## CLUB CLIPS

### FHA

On December 16, the FHA met in Mrs. Boley's room for a Christmas party. We had a gift exchange and it was fun to see the surprises everyone received. We ate ice cream bars for refreshments. We all received nice gifts.

### VICA

by Eugene W. Crist, Jr.

Reporter

By making and selling attractive wooden pen and pencil sets, the VICA club of WVSD reached its goal of \$700 to purchase a flashing sign. Presently, members are browsing through catalogs to make a final selection before ordering. Hopefully, the sign will arrive in time for Parents' Day.

## SPORTS SCENE

### Girls' Volleyball

by Coach Kesler

In the two matches in which the 1994-95 WVSD girls' volleyball team played, Moorefield defeated the girls 3-1, and Hart Chapel defeated the girls 3-0. Because of inclement weather one time and an insufficient number of players another time, WVSD cancelled two other matches. Hopefully, the team can finish the remainder of the schedule.

Leading the team in service points, Mary Ennis has played well. Tammy Ennis and Rebecca Yeater have done well in this category, too.

Other team members include Heather McKinney, Tasha Goodrich, Mandy Berry, Stephanie Smallwood, Nora Martin, Tressie Mitchell, and Ila Baber.

## Cheerleaders

by Coach Shoemaker

Another year of cheerleading is well underway. Captain Dana Jackson, Co-Captain Heather McKinney, Mandy Berry, Jada Clark, and Tressie Mitchell comprise the squad. Three others dropped out for various reasons.

To prepare for the tournament in New York, the girls are practicing their cheers and an original dance routine. For two weekends, Holly and Shannon Clark helped the group with the dance.

One can see by the look on each girl's face that she enjoys what she is doing.

## Jr High BB

by Coach Kesler

With a record of 5-2, the players on the WVSD junior high basketball team have contributed much to team effort. Averaging 20 points and 16 rebounds a game, Leslie Jessie has been outstanding on defense. Even when Leslie was injured, he continued to play and compete, which provides good leadership for the younger players. Clifton Brunty has improved and is becoming more consistent. Doug Martin is playing strong defense. Ronnie Lake is rebounding well and starting to contribute on offense. Since last year, Chris Remsburg has improved. With more practice, Chris Mick, Jake Rittenhouse, and Sam McCraw should improve. Although Justin Catlett is an important part of the team, he has missed many games. As the team's point guard, Kenny Collins is playing well and improving and playing more under control.

### Scores

WVSD 38	Capon Bridge 35
WVSD 48	Romney 52
WVSD 34	Union 16
WVSD 41	Flintstone 17
WVSD 42	Mt. Carmel 36
WVSD 39	Paw Paw 42
WVSD 46	Flintstone 22



Photo by Mrs. Dodgins

**BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM**

Front row, left to right: Coach Surber, Eugene Crist, Larry Runyon, Tommy Cosner, Timmy Garton, and Coach Deuel. Back row: Manager Rebecca Yeater, scorekeeper Mary Ennis, statistician Tammy Ennis, Stephen Daniels, Leslie Jessie, Danny McGowan, Eric Crawford, Joe Cosner, and Joshua Hartman.



Photo by Mrs. Dodgins

**CHEERLEADERS**

Front: Mandy Berry. Middle row: Tasha Goodrich (left) and Jennifer Lofton. Back row, left to right: Tressie Mitchell, Heather McKinney, Jada Clark, Dana Jackson, and Coach Shoemaker.

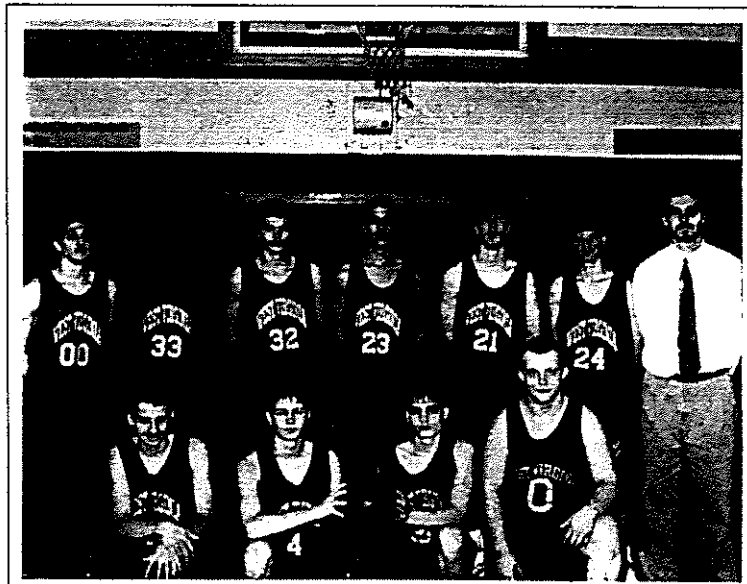


Photo by Dana Jackson

**BOYS' JV BASKETBALL TEAM**

Front row, left to right: Michael Riggio, Clifton Brunty, Timmy Garton, and Joshua Hartman. Back row: Tommy Cosner, Eric Crawford, Stephen Daniels, Leslie Jessie, Eugene Crist, Larry Runyon, and Coach Kesler.



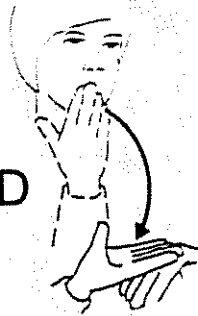
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**BOYS' JUNIOR HIGH TEAM**

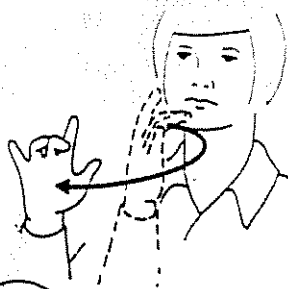
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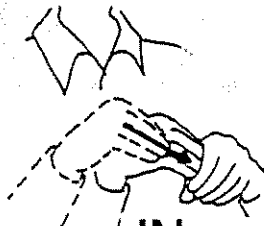
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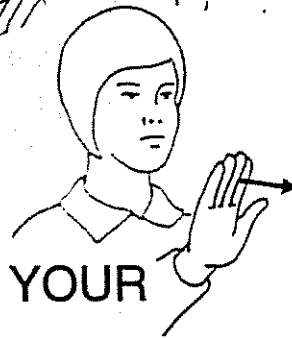
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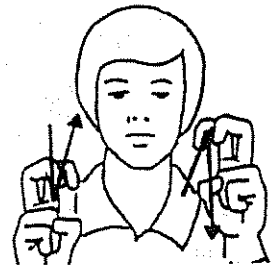
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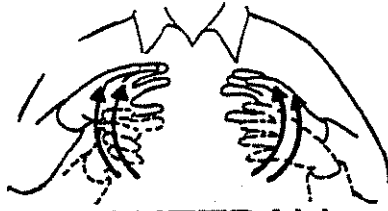
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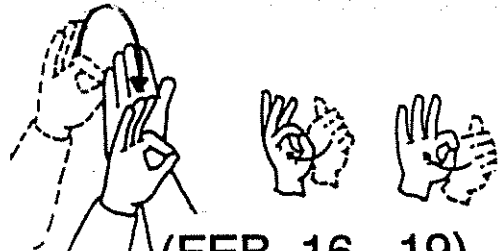
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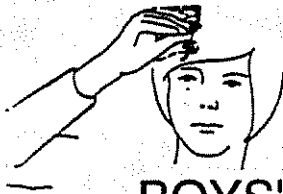
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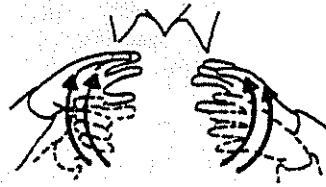
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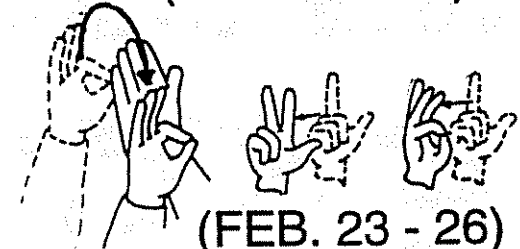
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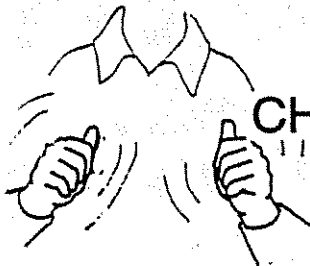
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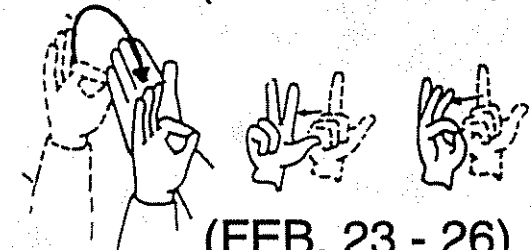
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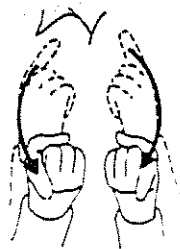
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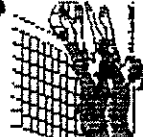











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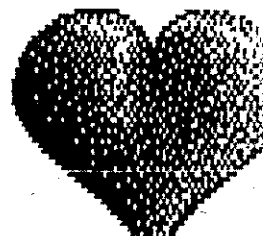
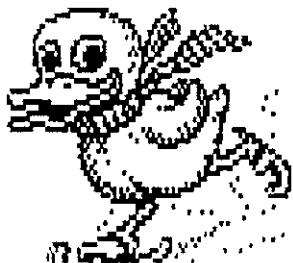


LIONS!



# February 1995

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Jr. Boys' BB Paw Paw (H) 6:00pm  Varsity BB 7:30pm	2   CLUBS  HOMEGOING	3	4
5   Back to School	6   Girls' VB Moorefield (A) 6:30pm	7  JV Boys' BB Rosedale Academy (H) 7:00pm	8   Jr. Boys' BB Harman (A) 6:00pm  Varsity 7:30pm	9 JV Boys' BB Davis Center (H) 7:00pm Girls' VB Capon Bridge (A) 4:00pm	10	11 Girls' VB Capon Bridge (H) 12:00pm V Boys' BB Oldtown (H) 2:00pm
12   Lincoln's Birthday	13   Jr. Boys' BB Maryland Sch. Deaf (A) 5:30pm Varsity (A) 7:00pm	14   Valentine's Day	15  Susan B. Anthony's Birthday (1820) Women's Suffrage	16   CLUBS  HOMEGOING	17   Girls' B-ball Tournament Boston, MA	18   Pluto discovered in 1930
19  Return to School	20   February V Boys' BB East Hardy (H) 7:00pm	21   V-Boys' BB Elk Garden (H) 7:00pm	22   Washington's Birthday	23   ESDAA B-ball & Cheerleading Tournament	24  ESDAA Tournament New York	25  ESDAA Tournament New York
26  Return from Tournament	27  Jr. Boys' BB Shen. Vall. Chris. Acad. (A) Varsity BB 7:00pm	28				



# NOTES/AUTOGRAPHS



# THE LIONS' TALE

West Virginia School for the Deaf

Romney, West Virginia

February 28, 1995

## Sunshine Too Visits WVSD

Sunshine Too, a theater group from the National Technical Institute for the Deaf, spent three days at WVSD earlier this month. Comprised of three deaf and three hearing members, one of the group's purposes is to promote a better understanding of deafness.

After separate performances for the secondary and elementary departments, Sunshine Too held a performance that was open to the public. The group also conducted several workshops with our students.

As always, Sunshine Too's performances were delightful, and our students thoroughly enjoyed interacting with them.

Sunshine Too was brought to WVSD through a grant from the WV Commission on the Arts and the WV Division of Culture and History.



Photo by Dana Jackson

1994-95 SUNSHINE TOO TROUPE

## NTD Theatre Workshop

winning company! A huge thanks to Frostburg University for providing our students with a wonderful cultural opportunity.

On February 8, WVSD students and faculty were treated to a theatre workshop presented by the National Theatre of the Deaf at Frostburg University. That evening, nine Secondary students enjoyed NTD's delightful performance of "An Italian Straw Hat." What a thrill to see such masterful artistry by an award-

- FEBRUARY**
- Mrs. Lisa Kline - 4
  - Mr. Bob Haines - 6
  - Mrs. Sue Staley - 7
  - Jada Clark - 13
  - Tasha Goodrich - 22



## PRINCIPAL'S POST

### Interview by Ila Baber

First of all, WVSD welcomes three new students.

At the present, the WVSD computer lab has six 486 computers, two of which one can use to communicate through Internet, the WV Network for Educational Telecomputing, the Telecommunication Network for Deaf Education, and World School, when the school's phone company coordinates with Bell Atlantic.

Although Romney is a small town of only 2,500, it is best that students do not travel to town alone.

Establishing the WVSD&B foundation will better serve the students. In the past, one had to send donations for WVSD or WWSB to Charleston. Now, one can give money directly to the foundation and specify for which group of students on campus it is intended.

## Class Comments

### Home Ec.

#### A Deer Story

In December, Roger Nickleson brought in a venison tenderloin and a venison leg for the students in foods class. Venison is another word for deer meat. The tenderloin comes from the upper back muscle of the deer. Josh Hamilton and Damron Walton washed the deer meat in cold water. Jeff Wright, Sam McCraw, Josh Hamilton, and Damron Walton each helped cut the tenderloin into butterfly chops.

Josh and Damron cut the deer meat off

the leg bone. The deer meat was cut into a venison roast, stew meat, and deerburger! Then the students put the meat in plastic bags and put the meat in the freezer.

Friday, the students floured the butterfly chops. They melted shortening in a frypan. The meat was put in the frypan and was fried until brown on both sides (about 15 minutes). The butterfly chops tasted delicious. Our class thanks Mr. Nickleson for the venison meat. We are planning to cook deerburgers soon.

### Quest

After reviewing highlights from their 7th grade units, students in the 8th grade Quest class have been working on Peer Relationships. Discussing definitions of friendship, clarifying personal beliefs about what is important in friendships, and identifying characteristics that make a person a good friend are a few of the objectives covered thus far. A bulletin board filled with positive characteristics in a real friend and "friendVERTISEments"(advertisements in search of a person with qualities each student has identified as important to him) is on display in Room #210. We welcome you to stop by and see this project.

## Dorm News

### an interview with Mr. Corbin by Donna Hornbeck

Each month, whoever has the cleanest room in each dorm gets a free pizza. For January, in the advanced boys' dorm, Michael Sizemore and Josh Liller were the winners. Kenny Collins and Leslie Jessie won in the intermediate boys' dorm. In the advanced girls' dorm, Mandy Berry and Betty Pack came in first, and Stephanie Smallwood was the winner in the intermediate girls' dorm.

The Super Bowl party was a success. All celebrated with refreshments as each cheered his favorite team.

Plans for the annual ski trip, sponsored by the Lions' Club, are complete. Thirty students and sponsors will go to Canaan Valley on March 8, 9, and 10. Students may go skiing if they have maintained good grades and good behavior. Following, in order, are the criteria for selecting the participants:

1. Seniors
2.  $\Delta$  Honor Roll for 7th to 11th grades
3.  $\mathcal{E}$  Honor Roll for 7th to 11th grades
4. Other Level 4 students

Any student who qualifies to go on the ski trip must remain on Level 4 for at least one week prior to departure for the trip.



Budding chefs deliver valentine cookies to staff members

## Class Announcements

### Class of '96

by President Mary Ennis

To raise money for our class activities, we are selling Kathryn Beich Katydid, Imps, and chocolate pretzels and are planning to sell chances for three homemade bunnies donated by Rebecca Yeater's mother. Best wishes and congratulations to our sponsor, Mrs. Mary Ellen Teter, on her recent marriage.

## CLUB CLIPS

### FFA

Future Farmers of America (FFA) week was February 20 - 25. Among other activities during the week, a Creed contest was held. Participants memorized the FFA Creed and recited it for the judges. Tammy Ennis took first place, Rebecca Yeater was second, and Josh Liller came in third. More details about FFA week will be published in the next issue of The Lions' Tale.



## Sports Scene

### Girls' Basketball

The Seaton Hall girl's basketball team played in the ESDAA Girls Basketball Tournament in Framingham, Massachu-

setts. Seaton Hall defeated NYSSD, lost to runner-up RISD, and beat St. Mary's. Diana Lambert, who made the all-star first team, led the Seaton Hall team; Jada Clark made all-star honorable mention, also.

Mary Ennis and Tammy Ennis did a good job rebounding and playing defense. At point guard, Tasha Goodrich played well. Heather McKinney added strong defense. In limited action, Ila Baber and Tressie Mitchell did a good job.

In the foul shooting competition, Seaton hall finished fifth, and in the 21 shooting competition, fourth. Next year's tournament will be in Vermont.



FFA Creed contest participants (front row, left to right) Rebecca Yeater, Eric Crawford, Tammy Ennis. Back row: Michael Sizemore, Tommy Cosner, Billy Calhoun, Josh Liller.







WVSD's LADY LIONS VOLLEYBALL TEAM

## Who Is Your Favorite Movie Star ?

Mary Ennis - D.B. Sweeney

Rebecca Yeater - Winona Ryder

Heather McKinney - Robert Kelly, Michelle and Ashley Olson

Tammy Ennis - Don Michael Paul

Jason Hanshaw - Patrick Swayze, Jean Claude VanDamme

Donna Hornbeck - Michael Landon

Mr. Adrian - Paul Newman, Jane Seymour

Mrs. Juanita Combs - Macauley Caulkin, Kenny Rogers

Mrs. Dodgins - Segourny Weaver, Brad Pitt, Sean Connery

Josh Liller - Sean Connery and Tom Hanks

Stephanie Paytas - Michelle and Ashley Olson

Stephanie Smallwood - Tori Spelling, Brian Green, Jeanie Garth

Leslie Jessie - Jean Claude VanDamme, Eddie Murphy

Jennifer Lofton - Patrick Swayze

Joe Cosner - Jean Claude VanDamme

Tressie Mitchell - Christopher Reeves

Jada Clark - Mickey Mouse, Bruce Willis, Jean Claude VanDamme

Mrs. Heare - Ed Harris, Jimmy Smits, Meryl Streep, Madeline Stowe

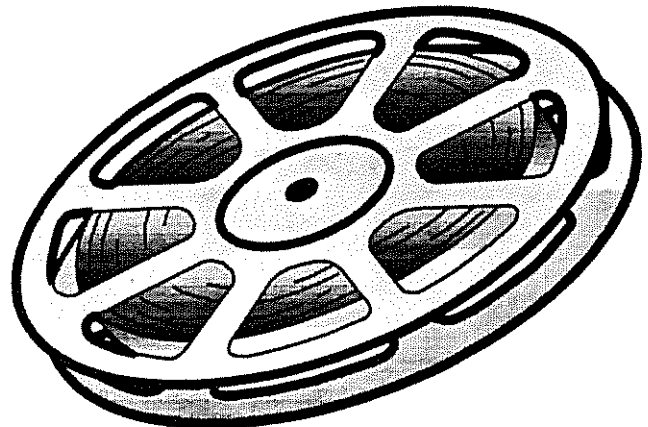
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Mr. Corbin - Bruce Wills, Steven Segal

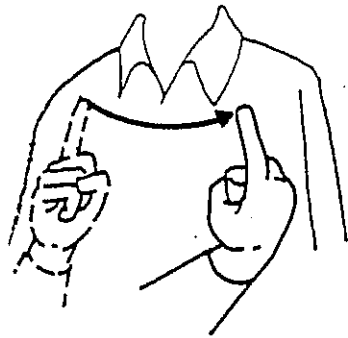
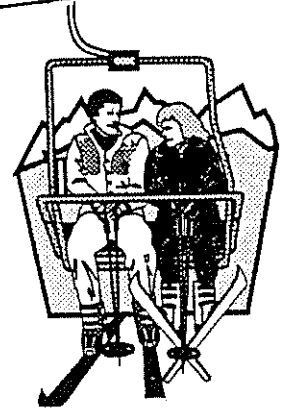
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Mandy Berry - Michael J. Fox

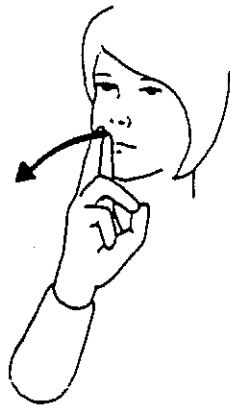
Chris Remsburg - Macauley Caulkin



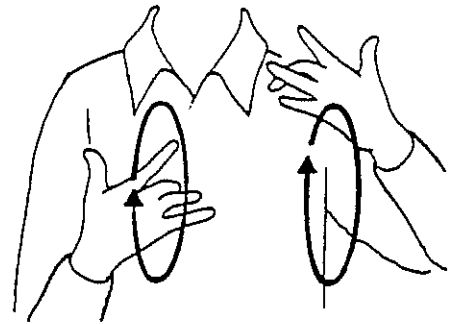
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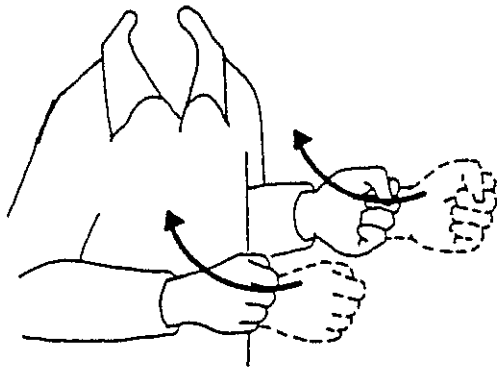
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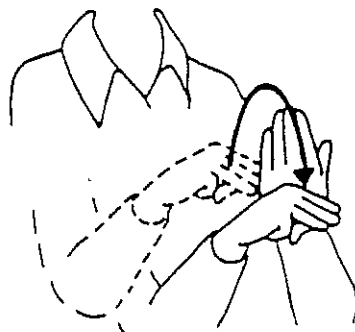
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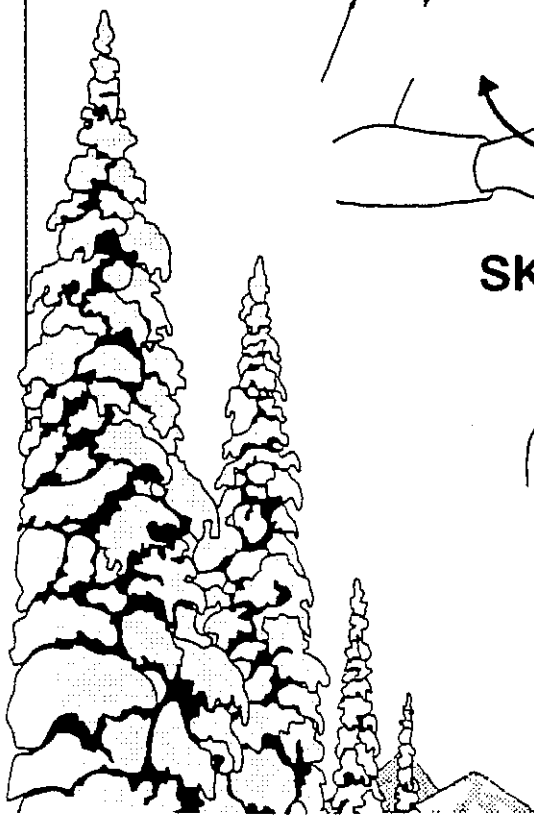
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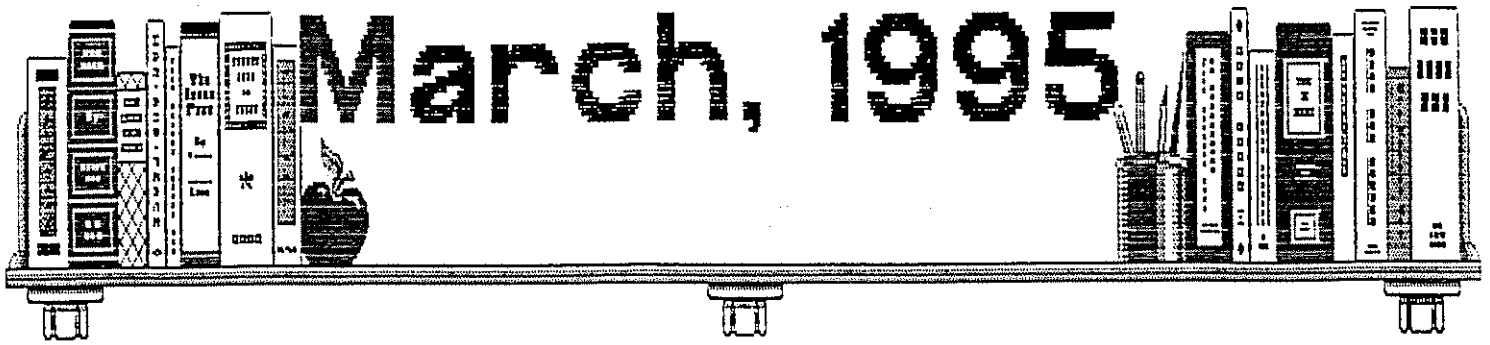


**MARCH**












**8, 9, and 10**





# March, 1995

Sunday      Monday      Tuesday      Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Saturday

			1 Peace Corps established in 1961	2  AM Classes Homegoing	3 Alexander Graham Bell (1847)	4
5 Return to School	6 Deaf Awareness Week "Mum Day" ASL Activities	7 Fairmount Theatre for the Deaf Children of a Lesser God	8  Ski Trip Canaan Valley 8-10th	9 Ski Trip	10 Return from Canaan Valley	11
12  Founded by Juliette Low in 1912	13	14  Science Fair PSC Keyser grades 9-12	15 First Blood Bank Established in Chicago (1937)	16  PM Classes Homegoing	17  St. Patrick's Day	18
19 Return to school	20  First Day of Spring	21  Science Fair Shepherd College grades 7-8	22	23	24	25  National Agriculture Day
26 Dr. Jonas Salk Discovered Polio Vaccine (1953)	27	28	29	30 First Pencil With Eraser Issued. (1848) Clubs Homegoing	31	

# THE LIONS' TALE

West Virginia School for the Deaf

Romney, West Virginia

April 13, 1995

## WVSD Welcomes Three New Students

by Ila Baber

Diana Lambert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Lambert of West Hamlin, comes to us in her senior year from Guyan Valley High School. Diana says she likes WVSD and is having a good time making friends and learning many new things. Her favorite classes are photography and cabinetmaking. She considers basketball, softball, and soccer her hobbies and pizza and Mexican foods her favorite cuisine. Diana is very happy to be completing her senior year at WVSD.

By Jada Clark

Scott McMillan, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam McMillan of Princeton, attended Princeton Junior High School before coming to WVSD. A fifteen-year-old freshman, Scott's favorite food is pizza. In his free time, he enjoys playing sports and watching video games. To make new friends at WVSD is his goal.

by Donna Hornbeck

Edward Quinn, the son of Ms. Kathleen McClain of Ripley, attended Ripley High School before coming to WVSD. The sixteen-year-old freshman enjoys playing basketball, baseball, and football and talking with friends in his spare time. History and science are his favorite school subjects. His favorite foods are bananas and candy bars. So far, he has made many new friends and hopes to learn many new things at WVSD.



New students Edward Quinn (left), Diana Lambert (center) and Scott McMillan (right) are chatting about life at WVSD.

## Fairmount Theatre of the Deaf

by Ila Baber

Recently, students at WVSD enjoyed their first dinner theater evening with the appearance of Fairmount Theater of the Deaf from Cleveland, Ohio, in their performance of Children of a Lesser God.

In the morning before the performance, eight members of the theatrical group conducted workshops, one for junior high students and one for high school students, in the gym of WVSD and B.

That evening, many teachers and students enjoyed the social, beginning with a delicious meal in Seaton Hall and

culminating with the group's performance in the MPR of WVSD.

After the performance, group members sold their logo t-shirts and sweatshirts in the lobby of Seaton Hall.

Fairmount Theatre of the Deaf was brought to WVSD through a grant from the WV Commission on the Arts and the WV Division of Culture and History.

Special thanks to Mrs. Shirley Davy for an excellent job of planning for the dinner theater.



## Ski Trip

By Ila Baber

Numerous students, several staff members, and two guests enjoyed the ski trip to Cannan Valley March 8, 9, 10. Many commented about the delicious food in the restaurant. Besides skiing, individuals ice skated on the rink, swam in the inside pool, played games in the gameroom, and soaked in the hot tub each evening. All hope to make a return trip next year.

Our heartfelt thanks to the Lions Club for making the trip possible.

## PRINCIPAL'S POST

an Interview with Mr. Haught  
by Donna Hornbeck

At this time, WVSD is a busy place.

Having finished departmental meetings, representatives are working to prepare the classroom schedule for the 1995-1996 school year.

On Alumni Day on April 8, students and alumni competed against one another in various sports. On the same day, the West Virginia Association for the Deaf met on campus.

With the end of the third nine weeks on April 3, students have only seven weeks to improve their second semester grades.

Until the last minute, the spring sports' teams were without coaches. Mike Surber and Stan Mals however, agreed to coach baseball, and Mary Beth Surber and Christie

Sevigny will coach fast pitch softball.

As always, it is good to see parents visit WVSD. Unfortunately, they cannot come more often.

## TI Team Holds Contest

By Mr. Coleman

The Teen Institute (TI) team of Mary Ennis, Jada Clark, Betty Pack, Tasha Goodrich, and Eugene Crist that went to last fall's Region VII Teen Institute recently sponsored a "Murals For Prevention" contest. Part of going to TI is that students agree to sponsor a project in their school which reflects some aspect of what they have learned at TI. The contest was held to coincide with Deaf Awareness Days. The winners of the contest were - First Place, Stephanie Smallwood, Chris Mick, Bill Wright, and Ronald Lake; Second Place, Stephanie Paytas, Chad Ryan, Mandy Berry, and Donna Hornbeck; Third Place, Mary Ennis and Tasha Goodrich. All of the participants received a tie-dyed "I'm Drug Free" T-shirt. All of the students who participated did a great job! The first place mural will be entered into the national contest in Washington, D.C.

## DORM NEWS

At this time, the dorm is a busy place.

In preparation for the celebration of the 125th birthday of the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind, Mr. Cooper and the maintenance department painted the lobby and fixed things. Also, Mr. Bob Patton, the retired upholstery

teacher, repaired furniture in Seaton Hall.

Because of the generosity of the Lions' Club, WVSD students enjoyed the annual ski trip to Canaan Valley. Besides skiing, individuals liked swimming in the pool, exercising with the equipment, and soaking in the hot tub. In addition, the food was delicious.

For February, Betty Pack and Mandy Berry of the advanced girls' dorm each won a pizza for having the cleanest room. Stephanie Smallwood won in the intermediate girls' dorm. In the advanced boys' dorm, Michael Sizemore and Billy Calhoun were the winners. Leslie Jessie and Kenny Collins won for the intermediate boys' dorm.

One evening each week, Randy Henderson conducts a group meeting with the advanced girls.

Recently, students traveled to the Country Club Mall in LaVale, Maryland, where they shopped and watched movies at the theater.

Soon, all of the buses will have new seat covers, so students must take good care of them.

Two new computers for student use are now in the dorm.

## MARCH

Mr. Raymond Kline - 4  
Mr. Paul Nealis - 7  
Mrs. Mary Gano - 7  
Danny McGowan - 12  
Eric Crawford - 12  
Mr. Michael Coleman - 18  
Mrs. Mary Teter - 19  
Michael Sizemore - 22  
Mr. Joseph Corbin - 27

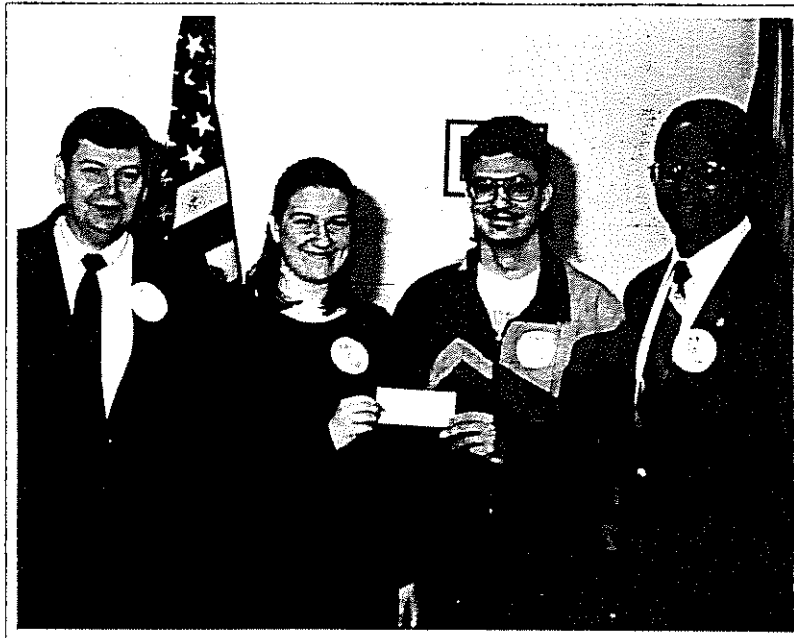
## WVSD Celebrates Deaf Awareness Days

by Mary Ennis, Chairman  
Deaf Awareness Days Committee  
During Deaf Awareness Days (DAD), students participated in various activities.

On Mum Day, which is a WVSD tradition, staff and students could communicate by signing only. Many found this difficult.

In the afternoon, students watched "So Long Silence" and played ASL games. Numerous students and teachers enjoyed a dinner/theater, a new experience for students. After dinner, all enjoyed a wonderful performance of Children of a Lesser God by the Fairmount Theatre of the Deaf.

Thanks to all who helped make Deaf Awareness Days a success.



Doyle Workman, president of the WVSD Alumni Association, presents a check to Mary Ennis for Deaf Awareness Days. Also pictured are Principal Dan Haught and Mr. Hubert Anderson.



Josh Liller and Tressie Mitchell were voted "FFA Sweethearts".

## CLUB CLIPS

### FFA

by Mary Ennis, Reporter

To celebrate National FFA Week from February 20-25, club members conducted several activities:

\*Greenhand Contest - The following participated: Thomas Cosner, Tammy Ennis, Heather McKinney, Michael Sizemore, Eric Crawford, and Josh Liller. Each participant was required to sign the FFA motto and the Pledge of Allegiance from memory. Judges were Ms. Sue Cosner, Mr. Ed Czernicki, and Mr. Herb Adrian.

\*Sweetheart Ball - Club members presented Tressie Mitchell and Josh

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Liller, whom they voted FFA Sweethearts, each an FFA jacket. All students and staff were invited to the dance. Also, members held a ceremony to honor the Greenhand contestants.

**\*Creed Contest** - Participants memorized the FFA Creed and signed it for the judges. Tammy Ennis placed first, Rebecca Yeater placed second, and Josh Liller placed third. Thanks to Mr. Leatherman, the FFA sponsor, who arranged the activities for the members to enjoy.

## JR. NAD

by Mary Ennis, President

We've had fun through the '94-'95 school year and are pleased that our members show such an interest in our club. The Jr. News from Silver Springs asked our club to send an article concerning our activities during this year. I realized that we've had lots of good activities involving both the school and our community. I'm glad we're able to be a part of this.

In May, we are planning to have a rollerskating party and to elect new officers for next fall. Plans are in the making for a June picnic.

## VICA

by Ila Baber

Club members have planned a field trip to Winchester, VA to learn about wood.

Soon, the flashing bulletin board which the club purchased will be in operation.



Cheerleaders Heather McKinney and Dana Jackson proudly display their trophy and certificates from the ESDAA Basketball and Cheerleading Tournament in Buffalo, New York. Heather made 2nd All-Star Team and Dana made 1st All-Star Team in the cheerleading competition.

## Girls' Softball

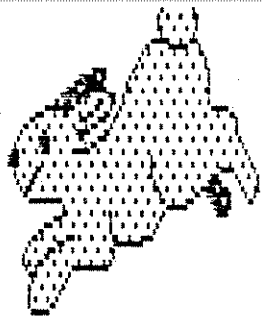
by Coach Beth Surber

With the following players, the girls' softball team at WVSD got off to a good start: Sylvia Adkins, Ila Baber, Mandy Berry, Mary Ennis, Tammy Ennis, Tasha Goodrich, Dana Jackson, Diana Lambert, Jennifer Lofton, Heather McKinney, Tressie Mitchell, Jo Shaffer, Stephanie Smallwood, Barbie White, and Rebecca Yeater. Olivia Stuart and Danielle Surber are the managers, and Donna Hornbeck is the scorekeeper. On April 6, the team played the first doubleheader at 3:00 p.m. against Berkeley Springs.

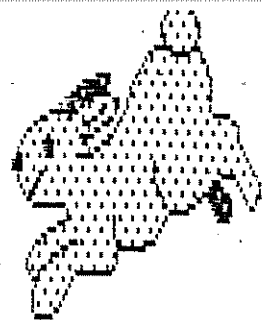
## Boys' Baseball

by Coach Mike Surber

Following are the players on the boys' baseball team and their field positions: Clifton Brunty, centerfield and rightfield; Joe Cosner, shortstop and pitcher; Tom Cosner, catcher and shortstop; Eric Crawford, centerfield; Eugene Crist, rightfield and leftfield; Stephen Daniels, third base and pitcher; Tim Garton, second base and shortstop; Jason Hanshaw, second base; Josh Hartman, leftfield; Leslie Jessie, pitcher and shortstop; Sam McCraw, rightfield; Danny McGowan, catcher and first base; Chris Mick, rightfield; Edward Quinn, leftfield; and Michael Riggio, centerfield. Managers are Chris Remsburg and Mike Sizemore.



# April, 1995



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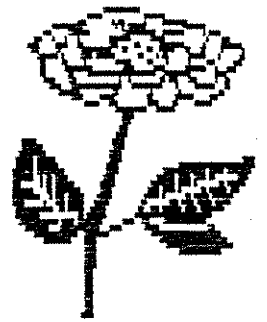
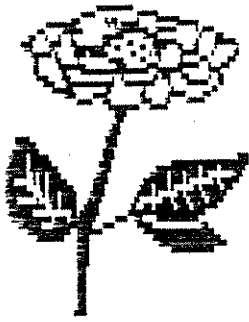


April Fool's Day






2	3  End of Third Nine Weeks	4  Baseball Union (H) 4:00 PM	5	6 Softball Berkeley Springs (H) 3:00 PM  Baseball East Hardy (A) 4:00 PM	7	8  Softball Preston County (H) 1:00 PM
9	10	11  Baseball Hampshire JV (A) 4:00 PM	12	13	14 Good Friday Parents' Day  BEGIN SPRING BREAK	15
16  Easter	17	18	19	20	21	22
23  Back to School	24	25 Softball Jefferson (A) 6:00 PM  Baseball Moorefield (H) 4:00 PM	26  Baseball Union (A) 4:00 PM	27 Softball Martinsburg Christian Academy (H) 4:00 PM	28	29
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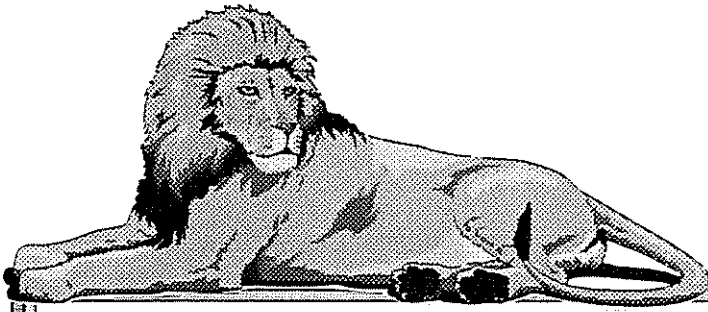


# May, 1995



Sunday      Monday      Tuesday      Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Saturday

	1  Baseball Paw Paw (H) 4:00 PM	2  Baseball East Hardy (H) 4:00 PM	3	4 Baseball Moorefield (A) 7:30 PM  Softball Prospect Hall (A) 3:00 PM	5	6
7	8 *Softball Jefferson (H) 4:30 PM *Baseball Paw Paw (A) 4:00 PM  *WV Theatre	9  Softball Martinsburg Christian Academy (A) 4:00 PM	10	11  Homegoing  Faculty Senate	12	13
14  Return to School	15	16	17	18	19  Senior and Junior Prom 7:00 PM	20  Armed Forces Day
21	22  Victoria Day (Canada)	23	24	25	26  Homegoing	27
28	29  Memorial Day	30  Return to School	31			



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## Valedictorian and Salutatorian Announced



Dana Sue Jackson

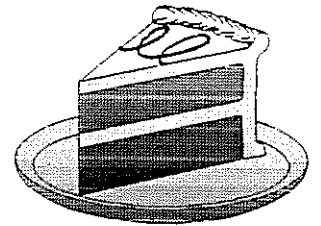
Principal Haught recently announced that Dana Sue Jackson is the Valedictorian of the Class of 1995. Dana is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Jackson of Harpers Ferry.

Danny Wayne McGowan, Jr., of Huntington, is this year's Salutatorian. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Danny Wayne McGowan, Sr.

Next month's *Lions' Tale* will have more information on Dana and Danny, as well as the other members of the Class of 1995.

## APRIL

Stephen Daniels - 2  
Jennifer Lofton - 9  
Mrs. JoAnn Keister - 11  
Leroy Dunphy - 21  
Timothy Garton - 21  
Mr. Stephen Davis - 25  
Damron Walton - 27  
Jeff Quimby - 28  
Matthew Johnson - 30



Danny Wayne McGowan, Jr.

## WVSD Welcomes Jeff Quimby!

### Interview by Ila Baber

Jeffrey Quimby, sixteen-year-old son of Ms. Emogene Quimby of Chester, WV, attended Oak Glen High School in New Cumberland (Hancock County) before transferring to WVSD.

Jeff says he enjoys driving, meeting new people, and playing baseball. His favorite foods are ice cream and pizza. Jeff's favorite class is Mr. Engleman's science class.



New student Jeff Quimby

## Jada Clark Has Photo Published In One Day America

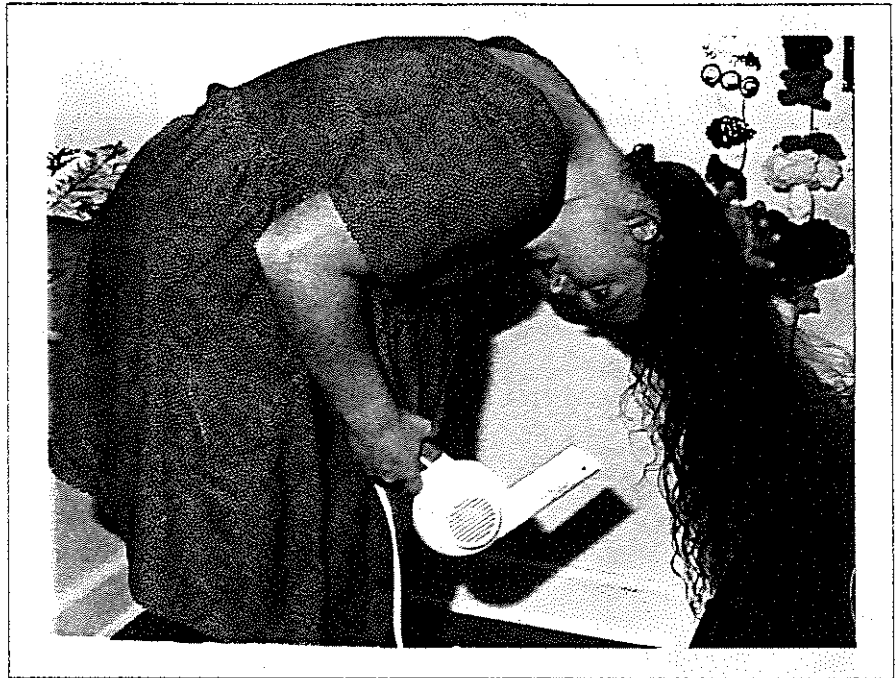
Recently, One Day America honored Jada Clark in choosing one of her photographs for national publication.

Last September Taylor Publishing Company contacted Mrs. Jan Dodgins to invite photography students to participate in a one-day project.

On October 14, from 12 noon until 12 midnight only, high school students from across the United States took pictures which they felt represented life in their schools.

All of Mrs. Dodgins' photography students, and several others, participated. Each student picked his/her best pictures and wrote a caption for each, after which Mrs. Dodgins sent them to the publishing company. Then, along with pictures from the other states, the publishing company judged them.

Congratulations to Jada for having her picture published. A junior, Jada is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Clark of Fort Ashby.



Jada Clark's photo which was chosen for One Day America. The picture is of Dana Jackson getting ready for school.

## Shank Named To State Science Cadre

Dr. Patsy K. Shank of the West Virginia School for the Deaf, Romney, WV, has been named one of 35 state educators to serve as a cadre member for Project CATS: Coordinated and Thematic Science, announced state Superintendent Dr. Henry Marockie.

Project CATS is a five-year, \$4.1 million teacher enhancement grant funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) for West Virginia science teachers in grades 7-10. Marockie stated that the implementation of this important project will have a great impact on the delivery of science education across the state.

Project CATS is a collaborative effort among the West Virginia Department of Education, the University and College Systems of West Virginia, and the West Virginia Science Teachers Association. The emphasis of the project is to deliver four strands of science to

every student in grades 7-10: physics, chemistry, biology, and earth science. The 35-member cadre will receive extensive training and will, in turn, work with 150 mentor teachers across the state.

## Theatre West Virginia

by Jada Clark

On May 8 Theatre West Virginia's marionettes came to WVSD to present *Rumpelstiltskin*, a fairy tale about a dwarf who rescues a beautiful maiden who must spin hay into gold on her spinning wheel. In return, the dwarf demands the maiden's firstborn child. In order to save her child, she must guess the dwarf's name.

After the show, students asked many questions of Holly and Carey, two of the performers, who also showed students how the puppets are made.



## DORM NEWS

An interview with Mr. Corbin  
by Donna Hornbeck

The girls' softball team has wrapped up its season, while the boys' baseball team participated in a sectional tournament on May 15.

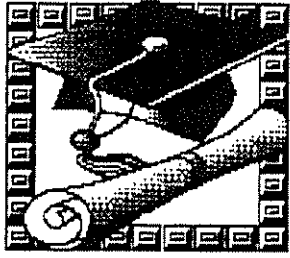
We are planning a hunters' safety class towards the end of May, although we have not yet selected a date.

Our Junior/Senior prom is scheduled for Friday, May 19.

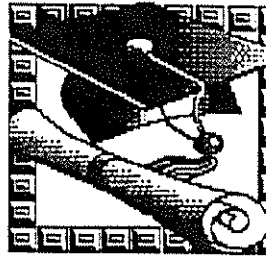
On Saturday, June 3, many of our students will travel to Kings Dominion for Deaf Awareness Day. On June 10, Seaton Hall will travel to Cumberland for a rollerskating party.

Currently, the Maintenance Department is busily painting the dorms and lobby. The lobby is looking great!





Mr. Jim Dodgins and some Intermediate boys are working to improve the outdoor basketball courts.



# June, 1995



Sunday      Monday      Tuesday      Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Saturday

				1	2	3  Kings Dominion Deaf Awareness Day
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12  Athletic Banquet 5:00PM	13	14  FFA Picnic 5:30PM	15  Graduation 10:00AM	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

## Class Comments

### Home Ec

by Tasha Goodrich

On April 17, Mrs. Wysopal's food classes prepared a turkey dinner. Mrs. Wysopal's basic food students, Leslie Jesse, Jake Rittenhouse, Doug Martin, and Clifton Brunty made pumpkin pie and set the table. The advanced class,

Tasha Goodrich, Larry Runyon, and Betty Pack, made dinner rolls and put them in the freezer before Easter break. On Thursday Larry, Tasha, and Betty started the turkey at 6 am. We also prepared giblets, gravy, lima

beans, a potato casserole, cranberry sauce, tossed salad, and tea. We invited four guests: Mr. Haught, WVSD Principal; JoAnne Keister, Secretary; Shirley Davy and Liz Baldwin, teacher's aides. The four guests said that the food was so good!

We all learned that we had to get along and work as a team, to pay attention to the oven temperatures, to plan the meal with variety in color, temperature, texture, shape, and size. The members of the advanced food class were completely exhausted! Mrs. Wysopal asked Tasha Goodrich, "Why are you sitting down? Let's get to work!" Then Tasha said, "Oh boy, Mrs. Wysopal, I'm very tired." But the advanced food class now knows how their moms and grandmothers feel working all day preparing a meal. But we all had a great time.

### Service Learning

by M. Berry, D. Hornbeck,  
and S. Paytas

On May 5, from 9-12, the Senior class helped set up a free clothing

distribution. Approximately 1,500 pounds of clothes were distributed to 450 people. A health fair was also available where school nurses checked sugar levels, blood pressure, and cholesterol. Anti-drug messages and information about tobacco products were also included.

Seniors participating in the service learning project were Donna Hornbeck, Stephanie Paytas, Mandy Berry, Dana Jackson, Matt Johnson, Danny McGowan, Billy Calhoun, and Eugene Crist. Sponsors for this project were Mrs. Maureen Wysopal and Ms. Connie Meadows. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Thorup brought the clothes to our school and helped to organize them. We had a GREAT time!

## Club Clips

### Jr. NAD

by President Mary Ennis

The Jr. NAD participated in "Be A Star" day. Several members gave out kool-aid to people who were thirsty, while others went to the Elementary Department to read to the younger students.

The club's last meeting is scheduled for May 26. Members will vote for new officers for the '95-'96 school year.

A rollerskating party is planned for sometime in June. The members have not yet decided on a date but are sure looking forward to having some fun.

### VICA

by Ila Baber

VICA members and sponsors, Mr. Farris, Mr. Deuel, and Mr. Sevigny, can't wait until the flashing bulletin board arrives. The club is hoping that it will be installed before June 15.

### FFA

Twelve FFA members and three advisors departed WVSD on May 10 for an all-day field trip. Points of interest included Greenland Gap, the Petersburg

Fish Hatchery, and Blackwater Falls. In addition to appreciating the beautiful scenery and weather, the instructors maintained an integrated approach during the discussions and experiments at each site. Four students submitted their views on the day's expedition. Excerpts from each are printed below.

*We went to the Gap to study the rocks and the two mountains. We took two different kinds of rocks and performed an experiment. Mr. Leatherman put acid on both the sandstone and limestone. We identified the limestone, because the acid bubbled. Acid does not bubble on sandstone. Also, sandstone is easy to break.*

Jennifer Lofton

We went to the Petersburg Fish Hatchery. I learned about two different kinds of trout -- rainbow and golden. The females are much prettier than the males. The males are brownish. Mr. Engelman helped us practice using the compass with a map. Stephanie Smallwood

*At Blackwater Falls, Jada, Stephanie, and I walked to a look-out area to take pictures before stopping for our picnic. When we finished eating, we drove to the Falls area. There were a lot of steps and I ran down all of them to see the water. It was pretty! I saw a beautiful rainbow in the water when the sun was*



*shining. The rainbow disappeared when the sun disappeared. Tammy wanted to take a picture and finally, got one when the sun came back out. Mr. Leatherman discussed trees.* Heather McKinney

I think we learned a lot on this trip. At the hatchery, the man explained that the two kinds of trout are in two separate tanks. He told us how they breed the fish and how they are moved to the tanks when the fish become adults. At Blackwater Falls, Mr. Engelman and I discussed ants. Tressie Mitchell

## SPORTS SCENE



### 1995 BOYS' BASEBALL TEAM

Kneeling, left to right: Clifton Brunty, Joshua Hartman, Ed Quinn, Tom Cosner, and Michael Riggio. Standing: R. T. Lake, Manager; Kenny Collins, Danny McGowan, Stephen Daniels, Eric Crawford, Eugene Crist, Leslie Jessie, Joe Cosner, Mr. Mike Surber, Coach; Chris Remsburg, Manager. Not pictured: Tim Garton, Jason Hanshaw, and Mr. Stan Mals, Assistant Coach.

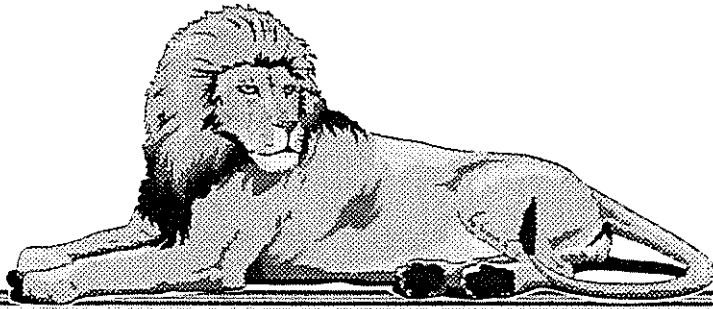
### 1995 GIRLS' SOFTBALL TEAM

Kneeling, left to right: Danielle Surber, Manager; Mandy Berry, Ila Baber, Tressie Mitchell, Sylvia Adkins, and Jo Shaffer. Standing: Mrs. MaryBeth Surber, Coach; Donna Hornbeck, Scorekeeper; Jennifer Lofton, Rebecca Yeater, Heather McKinney, Stephanie Smallwood, Diana Lambert, Tammy Ennis, Mary Ennis, Tasha Goodrich, and Mrs. Christie Sevigny, Assistant Coach. Not pictured: Dana Jackson.



### 1995 SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEAM

Front row, left to right: Tracy Marcum, Michael Riggio, Charity Tucker, and Lennie Stamper. Back row: Mrs. Linda Mullin, Coach; Joe Canterbury, Mr. Bill Kesler, Coach; and Mr. Herb Adrian, Coach.



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## West Virginia School for the Deaf Class of 1995

**MANDY KAY BERRY**, of Oak Hill, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Berry.

### ACTIVITIES/

**CLUBS:** Future Homemakers of America (1994-95); Future Farmers of America (1989-95), Chapter Silver Medal for FFA Floriculture Judging Team Contest, Chapter Bronze Medal for FFA Dairy Products Judging Team Contest, Chapter Gold Medal for FFA Public Speaking; Junior National Association of the Deaf (1994-95); Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (1992-93); 4-H (1989-92), Secretary and President; Booster Club, (1989-92); Teen Institute Conference, Ripley, WV; worked Teen Issue Day and participated in WVSD Drug-Free Schools Activities, TI Pep Rally at WVSD, and Big Sister/Big Brother Program.

**SPORTS:** Girls' Basketball Team (6 years); Girls' Softball Team (5 years), Most Improved Player, (1 year); Girls' Volleyball Team (5 years), Most Dedicated Player (1 year); Cheerleading Squad (2 years), Most Improved Cheerleader (1 year); School Mascot (1 year).

**SCHOOL AWARDS:** Very Important Person Award, Outstanding Photography Student, Highest Academic Award, Physical Education Student of the Month, and Parenting Award.



Front row, left to right: Stephanie Paytas, Donna Hornbeck, and Mandy Berry. Back row: Danny McGowan, Diana Lambert, Eugene Crist, Billy Calhoun, Dana Jackson, and Matt Johnson.

**BILLY CALHOUN**, of Augusta, is the son of Mrs. Betty Calhoun.

**ACTIVITIES:** Future Farmers of America (1993-95); Future Homemakers of America (1994-95).

**SPORTS:** Basketball Team (1992-94).

**EUGENE WILLIAM CRIST, JR.**, of Bancroft, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene W. Crist Sr.

**ACTIVITIES:** Future Farmers of America (1991-95); Future Homemakers of America (1992-95); Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (1992-95); Junior National Association of the Deaf (1994-95); Teen Institute (1991-95).

**SPORTS:** Baseball (1990-94).

**DONNA HORNBECK**, of Coalton, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bennett.

**CLUBS:** Junior National Association of the Deaf (1993-95); Future Homemakers of America (1991-95), Treasurer and Vice-President; Future Farmers of America (1989-91); 4-H (1991-94), Vice-President.

**SPORTS:** Girls' Basketball Manager (1 year); Girls' Softball Scorekeeper (3 years); JV Boys' Basketball Scorekeeper (1 year).

**AWARDS:** Best Manners Award, Very Important Pupil Award, Outstanding Citizen Award for 3 years, Most Improved Language Award.

**DANA SUE JACKSON** is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Jackson of Harpers Ferry.

**CLUBS:** Future Farmers of America (6 years), Secretary (2 years), Reporter, Vice-President, Chapter Silver Medal for FFA Dairy Products Judging Team, Chapter Silver Medal for FFA Parliamentary Procedure Contest, Chapter Gold Medal for FFA Floriculture Judging, FFA Dairy Products Judging Team Coach, Chapter Farmer Award, Media Award; Junior National Association of the Deaf (4 years), Secretary (2 years); Booster Club (2 years), Vice-President.

**SPORTS:** Basketball (5 years), Most

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Improved Player (2 years), Most Dedicated Player; Athlete of the Month (1993); Volleyball (3 years), Most Improved Player (2 years); Softball (4 years), Most Valuable Player; Cheerleading (4 years), Most Improved Cheerleader (2 years), Most Dedicated Cheerleader (2 years).

**ACTIVITIES:** WVSD Teen Institute (3 years), WV State Teen Institute, TI Pep Rally; Volunteer Service Reader for Elementary students, Chairperson for Big Brother and Big Sister Project; Class President (2 years).

**MATTHEW ALLEN JOHNSON**, of Kerens, is the son of Mrs. Virginia Johnson.

**CLUBS:** Future Farmers of America (5 years); Junior National Association of the Deaf (2 years).

**SPORTS:** Baseball Team Manager (4 years).

**DIANA LAMBERT** is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Lambert, of West Hamlin. She transferred from Guyan Valley High School in her senior year.

**CLUBS:** Future Homemakers of America, Jr. NAD, VICA.

**SPORTS:** Soccer, Track, Girls' Basketball, Girls' Softball.

**DANNY WAYNE MCGOWAN, JR.**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Danny Wayne McGowan, Sr., is from Huntington.

**CLUBS:** Future Farmers of America (1989-95), Chapter Silver Medal FFA Dairy Judging Team; Junior National Association of the Deaf (1993-95), Sergeant at Arms, (2 years); Future Homemakers of America (1994-95); Trappers Club.

**SPORTS:** Baseball (1990-95), Most Improved Player Award; Basketball (1990-95).

**AWARDS:** Math Award (3 years); Social Studies Award, (4 years); Art Award (1 year); Golden Horseshoe (1991), Homecoming Court (5 years).

**STEPHANIE PAYTAS** is the daughter of Mrs. Beverly Mills, of Martinsburg.

**CLUBS:** Future Homemakers of America (1992-95), Secretary; Junior

National Association of the Deaf (1993-95).

**SPORTS:** Softball Team (1992).

## Yeater To Attend Rhododendron Girls' State



Rebecca Yeater

Rebecca Yeater has been selected to attend the fifty-fourth annual Rhododendron Girls State to be held at Jackson's Mill, West Virginia, June 18-23. Rebecca is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Yeater, New Martinsville, West Virginia. She is the first deaf individual in the history of Rhododendron Girls State to attend the prestigious leadership and government camp. Students are selected for Rhododendron Girls State on the basis of scholarship, service, and school and community leadership. At the camp Rebecca will study state, county, and municipal government, learn about the importance of American democracy and the American electoral system, and have the opportunity to participate in mock political campaigns. Dr. Pat Shank, science teacher, will be Rebecca's interpreter.

Local organizations and businesses sponsor the young women who attend

Rhododendron Girls State. American Legion Auxiliary, Hampshire Unit 91, is sponsoring Rebecca and Dr. Shank at the camp.

## Prom Night

by Jada Clark and Ila Baber

The Junior/ Senior prom was held on May 19 in the MPR.

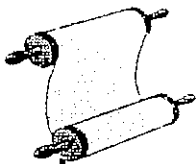
The junior class picked the theme, "Can You Feel the Love Tonight?" and decorated the room jungle-style, under the direction of Mr. Coleman.

Before the prom, there was a special dinner, prepared by Seaton Hall cooks. Then, Keyser Studios took pictures. The dance followed, with many visitors attending (parents, teachers, houseparents, and students from WWSB and public school). The junior class presented each senior with a long stemmed glass filled with candy kisses.

The class of '96 thanked Mr. Coleman for his guidance and help in preparing for the prom by presenting him with a certificate for two dinners at the Primrose Inn. Mr. Adrian, Jr. NAD sponsor, treated some of the prom goers to a special after-prom breakfast.

Thanks also to Mrs. Brenda Clark and Mr. E. A. Leatherman for their help and support.





## Senior Wills

**I, DONNA HORNBECK**, do leave  
-my love of sports to Mr. Kesler.  
-my smile to all of the staff and students.

-someone else to pick on Mr. Adrian and Mr. Corbin.

- *Days Of Our Lives* to Tasha Goodrich.

**I, MATT JOHNSON**, do leave

- my thanks to Mr. Sevigny for all of my knowledge about wood.

**I, MANDY BERRY**, do leave

- my pestering to Mr. Farris.

- my other sumo basketball to Tammy Ennis.

- my big mouth to Mrs. Jan Dodgins.

**I, DIANA LAMBERT**, do leave

- my soap operas to Tasha Goodrich.

- my pestering to Rebecca Yeater.

- my picking on Ila to Mr. Farris.

**I, EUGENE CRIST**, do leave

- my thanks to Mr. Sevigny for all of his teaching.

- my thanks to Ila for teaching me how to calm down.

- my thanks to all who taught me ASL.

- my thanks to Jada for her sense of humor.

**I, DANNY MCGOWAN**, do leave

- nothing.

**I, BILLY CALHOUN**, do leave

-my pestering to Jada Clark.

**I, STEPHANIE PAYTAS**, do leave

- my thanks to all staff and students who helped me learn.

**I, DANA JACKSON**, do leave

- my cheerleading skills to Heather.

## SENIOR TRIP

BY DONNA HORNBECK

OUR SENIOR CLASS IS PLANNING TO GO ON A TRIP TO WILLIAMSBURG, VA. AND BUSCH GARDENS ON JUNE 7-8. WE WILL VISIT MUSEUMS, SHOPS, AND THE VILLAGES. WE WILL GO ON TOURS IN WILLIAMSBURG AND JAMESTOWN. WE WILL SPEND ALL DAY JUNE 8 AT BUSCH GARDENS. WE WILL RIDE AND HAVE FUN. WE HOPE WE WILL HAVE A GREAT TIME!

## Future Plans

**Donna Hornbeck** - To attend Vocational Rehab during the summer for Driver's Education training and enter the Fall term for computer classes.

**Danny McGowan** - To attend Vocational Rehab and get a job with the Post Office.

**Stephanie Paytas** - To attend Vocational Rehab.

**Eugene Christ** - To attend Vocational Rehab or to return to WVSD as a Post Graduate.

**Mandy Berry** - To attend Vocational Rehab to study computers and work for the FBI.

**Matthew Johnson** - To attend Vocational Rehab or work with his dad in cabinetmaking.

**Dana Jackson** - To attend Marshall University in Huntington and enter the Physical Therapy Assistants program or study computers.

## SENIOR SURVEY

*"What advice to you have for next year's seniors?"*

**Donna** - Give good advice and help the younger kids.

**Dana** - Work hard!

**Danny** - Keep serious about your education and keep reading.

**Eugene** - Keep doing well and give good advice to the other students.

**Mandy** - Keep up the hard work!

**Stephanie** - Continue to be good leaders!

**Diana** - Work hard!

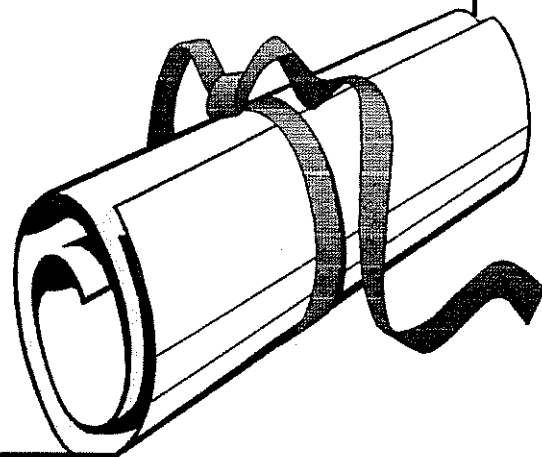




Photo by Dana Jackson

The Lions' Tale staff wishes you a safe and enjoyable summer!

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