

SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

NEWSLETTER AUGUST, 1987

Once again the summer has passed much too quickly. It will soon be time to start another exciting school year. We are looking forward to a very successful and rewarding year.

IEP Day will be August 19th from 8:00-3:00 p. m. This will allow time for you to meet with your child's teachers and discuss his/her schedule for the school year. There will be a meeting of the Parents Advisory Council at 11:00 in the Conference Room. All parents are encouraged to attend.

Several of the teachers from the Secondary School have been taking classes here on campus. Mrs. Wysopal, Home Economics teacher, taught a micro-computer class. Audiology, Psychology, Speech, and sign language classes were offered for teachers working toward certification in the area of hearing impairment.

A new language arts program developed by Gallaudet University will be used by all the language teachers this year. New science textbooks have been selected and ordered. Several new appliances have been purchased for the Home Economics department. A new tractor has been purchased for the Horticulture department.

Plans are being made for an independent living skills apartment for the girls. This will be part of the special program to better prepare seniors for life after high school.

We are looking forward to seeing you on Wednesday, August 19.

NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 4, 1987
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The Secondary School for the Deaf is looking forward to a fine school year. We have a highly trained staff and the best students in the world. We have high expectations for success in academic and vocational education and athletics.

The school building is in excellent condition. There are plans in the works to completely renovate Seaton Hall dormitory as soon as funds become available. The athletic field was converted to baseball/softball field by students in horticulture classes and other young athletes with equipment loaned by Mr. Boor, director of the Maintenance Department.

We are very fortunate to have an active parent group this year. The Parent Advisory Committee had their first meeting Wednesday, August 19th. Mrs. Linda Epperly was elected president. If you have any questions or would like to serve on the Advisory Committee, you may contact Linda at 822-3059. Her address is 75 West Gravel Lane, Romney, WV 26757.

Since the beginning of the school year the biology classes have been very busy. Students have been honing their measuring skills. Students have been using the metric system to measure objects. Students have practiced measuring the length and width of various objects with metric rulers and have calculated the length and width of these objects in meters (m), centimeters (cm), and millimeters (mm). Students have measured solutions using the graduated cylinders that are marked in milliliters (ml) and liters (l). Students are also learning to use the triple beam balances and have practiced weighing various substances in grams (g) using the balances.

Students are responsible for collecting insects for insect collections. Several students have brought insects to class. They have been pinning the insects on styrofoam trays and identifying them. Over the holiday weekend help your son/daughter to find some more insects and sent the insects back to school.

Students enjoy bringing animals to science class. By observing the animals the students learn more about the anatomy, physiology, habitat, and behavior of the animals. One recent acquisition was a bat which Junior Tustin and Jeremy Booth brought to class. The students measured the wing span and the length from head to tail. They observed the bat using a magnifying glass and dissecting microscope. They identified different parts of the bat including the fingers, teeth, and thumb. Jeremy Booth and Dee Pritt also dissected the bat and students observed the internal organs. The students did an excellent job dissecting the bat and everyone learned the anatomy of the bat. Students earn extra credit points by bringing objects of scientific interest to class.

Every Monday students are responsible for bringing two newspaper and/or magazine science stories to class. Students are busy everyday reading newspapers and hunting for stories to bring to class. The stories can be about any area of science including weather science, the space

program, animals, diseases, health, medicine, geology, astronomy, etc. Over the holiday weekend see how many stories you and your child can find. Students receive 5 extra credit points for each story they bring to class. The stories are posted on the bulletin board and many students stop in the classroom to read the interesting articles.

The microtechnique class has been busy preparing the laboratory for class. The microtechnique course is a special course in which students learn laboratory skills. The students are responsible for dissecting animals and removing various organs from the animals. The students then prepare the animal tissue and make microscope slides. Students identify the various types of tissue and are able to distinguish between normal and pathological tissue. This course helps to prepare students for possible careers as laboratory technologists and medical technologists. Hopefully some of the students enrolled in the course will pursue additional training in the area of medical technology or laboratory technology in a college or technical school.

Recently in microtechnique class "Chief Surgeon" Larry Cogar assisted by "Dr." Winnia Cabbell and "Dr." Scott Johnson operated on a chicken removing various internal organs. The tissue is now being prepared for microscope slides so the students can determine if it was normal or abnormal. Stay tuned for more news from microtechnique class.

The science department uses lots of empty glass jars such as empty baby food jars, mayonnaise jars, etc., small plastic containers with lids, aluminum pie plates, and clean, empty paper milk cartons. If you have any of these items that you do not need, please send them back to school with your son/daughter.

The horticulture classes and members of the WVSD Chapter of the FFA gathered materials and made floral arrangements to exhibit in the Hampshire County Fair, August 24-29, at Augusta, WV. Nineteen students entered twenty-four exhibits. Ron Ingram and Jeff Jarvis won blue ribbons for their efforts. Winnia Cabbell and Larry Cogar won red ribbons. All other WVSD entrants were presented white ribbons for participating.

The Hampshire County Fair, sponsored by local Ruritan Clubs, again this year paid premiums to winners and others. Ron Ingram was awarded \$10.50 for his entry which was picked as the best of the show. This made Ron our top winner in the 1987 fair.

FFA members will soon begin practicing for the Annual Vocational Agriculture competitions to be held in Morgantown on October 7-9. The WV FFA will be entering the milk judging, forestry, and horticulture competitions this year. Practice will begin after the Labor Day Holiday.

Photography students made their first pictures of the semester with homemade "pinhole" camera. A pinhole camera is a light-tight box with a very small lens made from a piece of aluminum foil in which a small hole was made with a pin. For film a piece of photographic paper was used. The pinhole was covered with a piece of black tape, which was removed to make the exposure for the picture. Some classes make pictures in bright sunlight, so the exposure was about 2 minutes. Other classes made pictures

when it was cloudy, so exposure was about 8 minutes. The resulting pictures were like negatives, upside down and backwards. The students then made "positive" prints. From this experience the students learned that making pictures is very easy. All we need is a light-tight box (camera), light (sun), photo paper (film), lens (pinhole), and a shutter (black tape).

The West Virginia Trappers Association has invited six of our students to be their guests at the annual Trappers Convention to be held September 18-20 at Glenville, WV. Members of our Trappers Club have participated in the Convention for several years.

Ernest Fack, Clermont Gilbert, Robbie Alt and Mr. Corbin attended a summer wrestling camp at Clarion University in Pennsylvania the week of July 26-31. At the camp the boys participated with 295 hearing boys from seven eastern states. The boys were very busy attending training sessions from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., taking time out to eat of course. The boys made many new friends, learned alot about wrestling, and had lots of fun. It was a fantastic experience and the boys are looking forward to going back next year.

On September 3, students participated in a school bus safety assembly. Students viewed two short movies on appropriate bus behavior and safety. All student boarded the new 66 passenger school bus and participated in a mock bus evacuation. Mr. George Spiroff, safety director for the school conducted the school bus evacuation and explained the correct procedure for exiting the bus in case of emergency. The school has a strong commitment to safety in the classrooms, dormitories, and on the buses. Every month the students spend many on the school vehicles traveling to and from home, on educational field trips, and on athletic trips. The school hopes that you will also emphasize the importance of safety with your son/daughter.

The National Theatre for the Deaf will be performing in Keyser, WV at the Church-McKee Arts Center on Tuesday, October 20, 1987. The performance begins at 8:00 p.m. The school will be providing transportation for students to this program. If your son/daughter wishes to attend this event, the cost of a ticket is \$3.00. Tickets must be ordered. If your son/daughter has not already purchased a ticket, please be sure to send the money back with your child after Labor Day. The deadline for sending in ticket money for the program is Thursday, September 10. The school also has adult tickets available for this program. Cost of adult tickets is \$5.00 each. If you wish to purchase an adult ticket, please contact Pat Shank at the school. Please make checks or money orders payable to the West Virginia School for the Deaf.


The 1987 Girls' Basketball schedule is included with the newsletter.



SCHOOL VIEWS

Junior-Senior High School Newsletter

October 15, 1967



Testing Program

The language arts teachers have been giving a battery of tests to better assess student understanding of written, spoken, and signed English. The use of these tests is the first step toward our goal of developing a battery of tests for student assessment.

News from Cabinetmaking Shop

Mr. Sevigny, cabinetmaking instructor, has started a pre-vocational class in woodworking at the Elementary School for the Deaf. The class consists of six sixth grade students who are in the process of putting finishing touches on their projects. They are a bird house, lawn sign, and three Donnie Duck planter boxes.

Visiting Legislators

Several members of the West Virginia Legislature visited on campus last week. Delegate Jerry Mezzatesta from our area, Delegate Hawes from the Moorefield area, and Speaker of the House, Chuck Chambers, have pledged to do all they can to improve our Seaton Hall dormitory. We appreciate these people taking time to visit us on campus.

FFA Competition

Twelve FFA members went to Morgantown to compete in the state Vo-Ag Judging contest held at WVU October 7-9. Wednesday, the FFA members toured the WVU Biology Dept. and spent the evening practicing for the contests on Thursday. Thursday morning the Forestry team of Ron Ingram, Robbie Alt, and Larry Cogar and Mr. Leatherman, their advisor, competed in the forestry judging contest. The boys had to cruise timber, identify various kinds of trees, identify parts of a chain saw, and take a written quiz on forestry. Thursday afternoon the Dairy Products Judging team of Mark Burton, Junior Tustin, and Roy Dolin and Mr. Engleman, their advisor, competed in their contest. The boys had to evaluate milk, identify cheese and evaluate sediment in milk. Thursday evening the Horticulture team of Cathy Washer, Karen Booth, and Dee Pritt with their advisor, Mr. Leatherman, participated in the Horticulture contest. The contest consisted of a written quiz on horticulture, plant identification, and horticulture judging of fruits, vegetables, and potted plants. Friday the FFA members visited the WVU Coliseum and attended the awards ceremony.

Other FFA members attending the contest were Kim Funk, alternate for the Dairy and Horticulture teams, and Rhonda Graybeal, alternate for the Horticulture contest and official photographer. Donald Jacobs was the assistant for the advisors. Advisors attending were Jan Dodgins, Tom Engleman, Jake vanBeem, and E. A. Leatherman.

WV School for the Deaf

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Constitution Day Celebrated

On September 17, the students and staff at the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and Blind celebrated the 200th birthday of the U. S. Constitution in the MPR. Teachers from the social studies department of both schools were responsible for the planning and production. Part of the program featured Lori Lockwood and Winnia Cabbell signing the Star Spangled Banner and Mike Hensley signing the Preamble to the Constitution. All the students participated in the balloon launch and bell ringing ceremony outside around the flagpole. The program was a huge success!

Paulownia Trees

A group of students from the Secondary School for the Deaf and the School for the Blind went to Shepherdstown on September 16. The students received information about the Paulownia tree. This is a very interesting and unusual tree that grow in West Virginia. The timber from the Paulownia tree is very valuable. They were given seed pods from the trees. Students in the horticulture program will plant the seeds and grow seedlings to be planted on a plot of land here on campus.

Art Department News

Mr. Tom Allen, an artist, meet with the art classes on September 11. Mr. Allen does wildlife prints and tags bears for the Department of Natural Resources.

Home Economics News

Mary Caruthers, Evonne Pendleton, Tina Stump, Winnia Cabbell, and Myrna Hill have been busy making flowered hat wall hangings in home economics Kitchencraft mini-class. These hats are made from old lace doilies. This week the students began working on counted cross stitch Christmas ornaments. Clermont Gilbert, Ange Stokes, and Kenny Gifford have been practicing their measurement skill in basic foods home economics class. They have made chocolate chip cookies and pumpkin pie.

Special thanks goes to the parents of seniors, J. Wetzel, T. Lovejoy, J. Jarvis, J. Walker, S. Foster, and L. Cogar, for reviewing student resumes. These students have completed resumes to use in the co-op education class.



Students in Kitchencraft Class

On Fridays, Mr. Adrian and Mr. Corbin combine classes for a Current Events Day. Top news stories of the past week are shown and discussed. Students are encouraged to answer questions about each story. This is the second year for the program and enthusiasm has been high. Students learn the names, places, and events which happen around the world each week and are encouraged to read the newspaper on a regular basis. A midterm and final exam will be given to the classes to test their knowledge. Members of the staff are encouraged to take the test also and all enjoy testing their "Current Events IQ".

Paul See, a seventh grade student, will become one of many students around the United States to participate in the 1988 American History Essay Contest sponsored by the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. Essays must be 600-1000 words and the topic is "The U. S. Constitution: Roads to Ratification". Paul is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger See, Moorefield. Good Luck, Paul!!

NTD Coming to Area

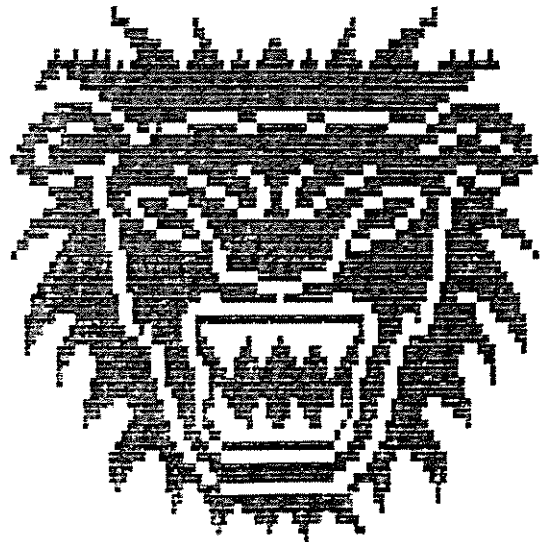
The National Theatre of the Deaf will be performing at the Church-McKee Art Center located at Potomac State College in Keyser, WV on Tuesday, Oct. 20. Performance time is 8:00 pm. If you live in the area or plan to be in the area at the time, you might want to think about attending this program. Tickets cost \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students. Tickets are available at the school. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket contact Pat Shank at the school.

The school will be bussing students to the performance in Keyser. To attend students must be on level 4 and must have purchased a ticket. If your son/daughter has not purchased a ticket, please send the money for the ticket back after homecoming.

Homecoming '87 was celebrated October 10. Many special activities during the week helped to fill the staff and students with enthusiasm. Winner of the Blue and Gold Day contest were John Buck, Winnia Cabbell, Roy Dolin, and Beverly Huffman. Punk Day winners were Patty Russell, Amy Mullens, Ernest Pack, John Lott, Mary Caruthers, and Myrna Hill. Winners on Wild Shirt Day were Sandra Walls, Paul See, Gale Gregory, Darla Smith, Robyn Guzzi, Betty McMillian, and Kim Hash. Poster Contest winners were Evonne Pendleton, Kenny Gifford, Doris Criss, Ronnie Epperly, Clermont Gilbert, George Wilfong, Teresa Lovejoy, and Timmy Bossie.

Karen Booth was chosen as Homecoming Queen. Jeff Wetzel was selected as King. Lori Lockwood and Mike Hensley were senior princess and prince. Rhonda Graybeal and Ron Ingram were junior princess and prince. Sophomore princess and prince were Cathy Washer and Perry Henry. Kim Funk and Mark Burton were freshman princess and prince.

The final activity of Homecoming Week was a softball game in which the students played the alumni on Saturday. The Alumni surprised the students with their playing skills and won the game.



Botanist Visits

Mr. Bill Grafton, a wildflower specialist, visited the science classes on Wednesday, September 23. Mr. Grafton works for the WVU County Extension office in Morgantown, WV. Students hiked around campus with Mr. Grafton. He showed students several different WV wildflowers and trees that are common at this time of the year.

Students were fascinated by Mr. Grafton's explanations of the many different uses of wildflowers by early pioneers. For example, students learned that the flowers of the goldenrod plant and the hulls of black walnuts were used to make dyes for clothing, that the leaves of the great plantain plant were boiled in water to make a soothing steam vapor that helped to "break up" coughs, and that the roots of the chicory plant were ground into a kind of substitute coffee. Chicory coffee was very popular with Southerners during the War Between the States when real coffee was in short supply. During this period of time many of the citizens of Romney were probably forced to substitute chicory for coffee.

Many of the plants that modern Americans consider to be nuisance plants or weeds do have nutritional value and can be used for food. Students learned that a small plant with yellow flowers called sourgrass can be eaten, and that dandelion leaves can be used in salads or made into wine. Many students were familiar with "greens" and talked of their experiences hunting and eating "greens" during the early months of spring.



Mr. Bill Grafton, Wildflower Specialist. Picture by biology student, Kim Funk.

Gally Exams

The Gallaudet University exams will be given on the following dates. Please make every effort to have your son/daughter in school on those dates as it is almost impossible to schedule make-up times for these exams.

October 26, 27, 28, and 29 -
Senior Entrance Exam

November 3 - Senior Writing Sample

February 1, 2, 3, and 4, 1988 -
Sophomore and Junior Diagnostic
Test

February 11, 1988 - Sophomore and
Junior Writing Sample



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Cell News

The biology classes continue to be busy. All classes are now studying the cell and its properties. Students have looked at onion, cheek, grass, hamburger and other types of cells with the microscope. They are now studying the cell membrane and what it does. Students are conducting various experiments that show what the cell membrane does and explain the concepts of diffusion and osmosis. One experiment that students find particularly interesting is the experiment called "How does the membrane of an egg work?" You might want to try this one at home for yourself and see what happens. The directions for the experiment are listed below.

Things needed:

1 raw egg in shell
1/2 cup vinegar
1/2 cup syrup
1/2 cup water
teacup or small jar

Directions:

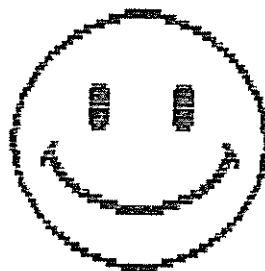
1. Put 1/2 cup of vinegar in small jar or teacup. (A pint jar is fine for this purpose.)
2. Put RAW egg in jar of vinegar. DO NOT BREAK EGG OR CRACK EGG. PUT THE WHOLE EGG IN JAR.
3. Leave egg in jar of vinegar for 2 days.
4. After 2 days, carefully take egg out of vinegar. Gently and carefully rinse egg with water. SAVE EGG.
5. Throw away vinegar and wash out jar.

6. Measure 1/2 cup of syrup .(Maple syrup or corn syrup is ok.) Put syrup in jar.
7. Put egg in jar of syrup. Leave for 1 day. Watch what happens.
8. After 1 day, carefully take egg out of syrup. Gently and carefully rinse egg with water. SAVE EGG.
9. Throw syrup away and wash out jar.
10. Measure 1/2 cup of water. Put water in jar.
11. Put egg in water for 1 day.
12. After 1 day, carefully take egg out of water. Gently and carefully rinse egg with water.
13. Now you can throw your egg away if you want or if you are really creative you can find new twists to this experiment.

Try this experiment during the next month and in next month's newsletter I'll give you an explanation of what happened to the egg.

Students Make Slides

The members of the Microtechnique class have finished making their first microscope slides. At this time we are perfecting and improving our techniques, but for beginners the results have been good. Hats off to Winnia, Larry, and Scott for the fine work they are doing.



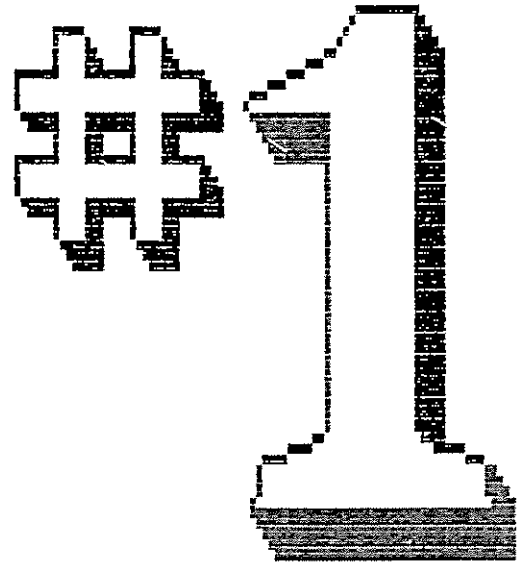
College Fair '87

On October 6 the school held its second annual College Fair. The fair was a big success and students, staff, and parents in attendance had an opportunity to learn more about postgraduate technical, vocational, and college programs. Approximately 15 schools and programs sent representatives.

Some of the programs in attendance included Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf, Big Spring, Tx; California State University Northridge, Northridge, CA; Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center, Fishersville, VA; Gardner-Webb College, Boiling Springs, NC; Gallaudet University, Washington, DC; St. Paul Technical Institute, St. Paul, MN; Tampa Technical Institute, Tampa, FL; Mount Aloysius Junior College, Cresson, PA; Tennessee Temple University, Chattanooga, TN; National Technical Institute for the Deaf, Rochester, NY; and The WV Vocational Rehabilitation Center, Institute, WV. All of these schools offer programs for hearing impaired students. Services vary from school to school but most provide interpreter services, notetaker services, tutoring services, and other support services for hearing impaired students.

Many thanks to mothers and fathers who took time off from work to travel long distances and participate in College Fair '87. I Hope you found the program to be helpful, enjoyable, and informative. Your sons and daughters appreciate the efforts you made to take part in this program. Parents of seniors, please take some time during the coming months to discuss future educational plans with your child. Before we all know it, June will be rolling around again and it is good to have some future goals in mind. During the school year if questions arise about financial aid, colleges, technical schools, VR programs, etc. please feel free to contact Pat Shank at the school. Miss Shank will be working with the students on college applications, financial aid, scholarships, college entrance exams, etc.

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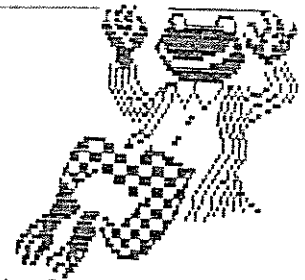
Hang In There !





Map Reading/Orienteering

A class has been started by one of the houseparents, Jake vanBeem, to teach students how to read a map, how to plot a course from one point to another outside. The basics have been covered and three outings have been completed in the country. The response to this course has been enthusiastic, with 21 students involved. One of the outings was an overnight camping trip. More trips are planned in the near future.



Carpet and Tile in Dorm

Tile has been ordered to replace the carpet in all the rooms on both floors of the boys' dormitory. Carpet has also been ordered for the hallways and T.V. rooms and the houseparent offices in both the boys' and the girls' dormitories.

Discussion Groups

The students continue their discussion groups on a weekly basis. Every student participates. Any topic is open for discussion, the purpose being to solve problems and improve life in the dormitory. At first students were hesitant about joining in the groups, but now they are fully involved. It is a good idea to give them a voice in how things are done where they live.

5-Star Committee

On the 23rd of Sept. a committee was set up to try to improve things in the cafeteria.

Ingram and Kim Funk are on the committee for the students. We have had three meetings so far. Will report progress as it occurs.



Independent Living Skills Program

The first group of students, Karen Booth, Winnia Cabbell, and Lori Lockwood, have moved into the independent living skills apartment and are doing an excellent job in the program. They are purchasing and preparing their own food and attending classes on independent living. The next group of students, Larry Cogar, Jeff Wetzell, and Martin Sias, will begin on the first of November.

4-H Program

At the end of September a 4-H club was started, with about 15 students signing up. It will be run by the student officers, with the help of Juanita Combs and Jake vanBeem. They will be meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 in the High School.

THE LOON'S TALE

November 20, 1987

NEW STUDENTS

Two students enrolled in the Secondary School for the Deaf during October. Terry Morehead, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Morehead, entered the tenth grade. Terry is from Anstead in Fayette County. Tom Blankenship, son of Mrs. Della Correll also entered the tenth grade. Tom is from Clarksburg in Harrison County.

TIME-OUT FOR BOOKS

The staff and students participated in the "Great American Read Out" November 16. All regular activities stopped and everyone settled down with a book or magazine to read from 1:30-2:00 p. m.

"A" Honor Roll Trip

As a special treat students on the "A" honor roll traveled to Winchester, VA on Tuesday, November 17. While in Winchester students ate lunch in a steak house and then visited the local shopping mall. Hats off to those students on the "A" honor roll.

"B" Honor Roll Surprise

Students on the "B+" and "B" honor rolls were treated to a special surprise after lunch on Thursday, November 19. After lunch students on the honor roll were allowed to make and eat ice cream sundaes. Congratulations to those students on the "B" and "B+" Honor rolls.



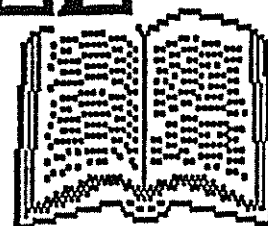
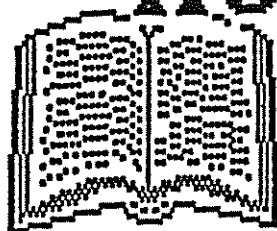
HAPPY THANKSGIVING

The administrative staff and the faculty of the Secondary School for the Deaf takes this opportunity to wish everyone a very happy and peaceful Thanksgiving.

Junior-Senior High School for the Deaf

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HONOR ROLL



1ST 9 WEEKS

"A"

KAREN BOOTH
 JOHN BUCK
 WINNIA CABELL
 LARRY COGAR
 GALE GREGORY
 ROBYN GUZZI
 MIKE HENSLEY
 TERESA LOVEJOY
 AMY MULLENS
 JEFF WETZEL

"B"

TIMMIE BOSSIE
 DAVID CONRAD
 ROY DOLIN
 SCOTTIE FOSTER
 RHONDA GRAYBEAL
 KENNY GIFFORD
 CLERMONT GILBERT
 KIM HASH
 PERRY HENRY
 RON INGRAM
 JEFF JARVIS
 KENNY KIDWELL
 JOEY LANHAM
 ERNEST PACK
 EVONNE PENDLETON
 ANGELA STOKES
 TINA STUMP
 SANDRA WALLS
 CATHY WASHER
 GEORGE WILFONG

"B+"

ROBBIE ALT
 JOHN BURDETTE
 MARK BURTON
 DORIS CRISS
 RONNIE EPPERLY
 KIM FUNK
 SCOTT JOHNSON
 LORI LOCKWOOD
 MICHAEL LOSH
 JOHN LOTT
 PAUL SEE
 FREDDY SILVA
 ROBIN TACKETT
 JUNIOR TUSTIN

HORTICULTURE ACTIVITIES

NATIONAL THEATRE FOR THE DEAF

Students and staff were treated to a delightful two day visit by the National Theatre for the Deaf on October 20 and 21. The visit began with a theatre program by the Little Theatre for the Deaf on Tuesday afternoon for elementary school and high school students. Students were spellbound as they watched familiar children's stories come to life as they were acted out, and as the actors were transformed into lions, elephants, volcanos, and other objects.

On Tuesday evening high school students traveled to Keyser to watch the National Theatre for the Deaf's performance of the play Dybbuk. The story was set in 18th century Russia. The plot of the story revolves around a young Jewish woman who is possessed by the spirit (Dybuuk). Students were very impressed by the signing and acting skills of the theatre group, the beautiful costuming, and the stage sets.

On Wednesday morning high school students participated in drama workshops with the Little Theatre for the Deaf. Students expressed great interest in these workshops and were able to participate in a variety of activities. Groups of students were changed into marching bands complete with instruments, human washing machines complete with human clothes and human soap, cars, and other objects of interests. Students participated in a variety of theatre game and rhythm activities during the workshops.

The visit by the National Theatre for the Deaf was a big hit with students. Hopefully, this fine group of performers will visit our school and campus again in the future. The school is very appreciative of the work of Highland Arts Unlimited in helping to make this program possible.

Students have been working on their Supervised Occupational Experience Programs (SOE). This is a program in which students gain experience in agriculture by working for someone or having a business of their own. Ron Ingram's program is Grounds Maintenance. He has been mowing grass, raking leaves, and pruning bushes around the greenhouse. Darla Smith's program is raising rabbits. Darla built a rabbit hutch with the help of other students. She is now making a feed storage bin. Robbie Alt's program is raising earthworms. He has completed his worm beds and has worms growing in one of them. Roy Dolin and Larry Cogar have projects growing bedding plants to sell in the spring. They have been rearranging the greenhouse and are now in the process of changing the irrigation system.

Horticulture students have also been participating in agriculture mechanics two days a week. They have been learning cutting techniques with oxygen and acetylene and are overhauling a 1951 Chevy pick-up engine.

The FFA has been selling smoked turkeys and hams. The money from the sales will be used to pay for FFA activities such as the Annual FFA Picnic. We thank everyone who has purchased turkeys and/or hams from us.

SENIOR COLLEGE EXAMS GIVEN

WVSD seniors recently took the college entrance exams for Gallaudet University, NTID, and other colleges and schools. Seniors are very busy completing applications and other necessary papers for college admission.

S C OFFICIERS AND MEMBERS

Once again the Student Council is meeting and busy. This year's Student Council's officers and members are as follows:

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1987-88 Student Council

President: Lori Lockwood
 Vice President: Robby Alt
 Secretary: Rhonda Graybeal
 Historian: John Burdette
 Sergeant at Arms: Cathy Washer

12th grade members:

John Lott
 Winnia Cabbell
 Jess Walker
 Scottie Foster

11th grade members:

Gale Gregory

10th grade members:

Dee Pritt
 Roy Dolin

9th grade members:

Ronnie Epperley
 Mark Burton

8th grade members:

Freddy Silva

7th grade members:

Amy Mullins
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NAME THAT BABY CONTEST

The WVSD Student Council is also making plans for this school year. Student Council is now in the process of collecting baby pictures from students and staff for the "Name that Baby" Contest. Please bring your baby pictures back to school after Thanksgiving. Be sure your name is on the back of the picture. After the contest pictures will be returned to the owner.

EASTERN DISTRICT S C MEETING

Members of the Student Council traveled to the Eastern District Student Council Meeting held on Monday, October 19 at Union High School. At the meeting the Eastern District group discussed plans for the 1987-88 school year including a newsletter to be published on a monthly basis. Students ate lunch while at Union and in the afternoon watched Union High School's program "Putting on the Hits". The next Eastern District Student Council Meeting will be on Thursday, December 17 at Hampshire High School.

COLLEGE TOURS

It is possible to arrange tours of colleges and schools for parents and students. Many parents feel the need to visit campuses of colleges and schools that their children are interested in attending. If parents of seniors are interested in touring Gallaudet University, NTID or other colleges and schools, please contact Miss Pat Shank at the school. Miss Shank will be happy to call the college or school and make arrangements for you to visit. Parents are responsible for transportation to and from the college and for picking up their student at Romney. Miss Shank is available Monday through Friday, from 1:45 - 3:30 PM. The phone number is 822-3521, ext. 229.

If you have other questions and concerns about colleges and schools as your child prepares for his future education, also feel free to contact Miss Shank.

THE EGG EXPERIMENT

Last month's newsletter had a science experiment to try at home. Hope everyone had time to try this experiment. Here is an explanation of what happened.

Perhaps when you have peeled a hard boiled egg in the past, you have noticed a thin skin that sticks to the inside of the egg shell. That thin skin is really a membrane. The egg skin or membrane has small holes in it that allow some things like air and water to go through, while other things like syrup are too large to fit through the holes and can't get inside.

In the experiment the egg was left in vinegar for 2 days. Vinegar is a weak acid made of acetic acid and water. The vinegar dissolved the shell of the egg leaving the cell membrane and the yolk and white of the egg. You may have also noticed that the egg looked larger. The reason the egg looked larger was that some of the water traveled through the cell membrane and went inside the egg.

Next, the egg was placed in syrup. If you looked at the egg after a day or two, you noticed that the egg was shrunken and wrinkled. What happened? Syrup is too large to go through the cell membrane and inside the egg, but the water that was inside the egg went out of the egg. Why? There is a scientific theory called osmosis that says water will travel from where there is more (higher concentration) to where there is less (lower concentration) until it is equal on both sides of the cell membrane. There was more water inside the egg than outside of the egg, so the water went out of the egg.

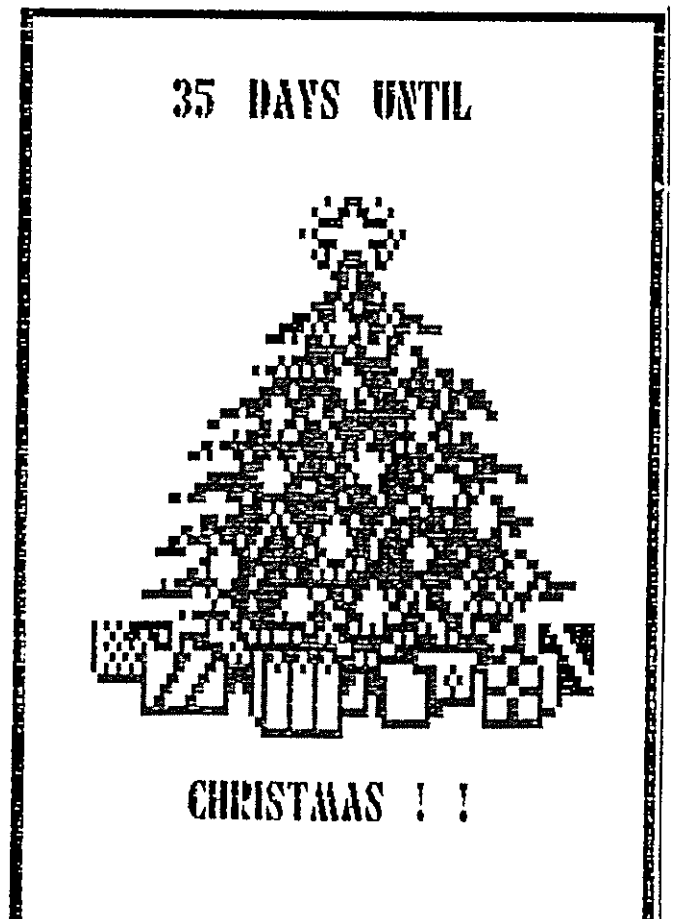
Last, the egg was placed in water. What happened? The egg became larger. Why? Again, water is small enough to go through the cell membrane. This time there was more water outside of the egg than inside

of the egg so the water crossed the cell membrane and entered the egg until there were equal amounts of water inside and outside of the egg.

Hope you enjoyed the egg experiment. Stay tuned to this publication for more experiments to try at home.

SCIENCE PROJECT

The students in the seventh, eighth, tenth, and eleventh grade science classes constructed a living diorama for their Florida chameleons. The diorama includes snake and spider plants, as well as, dead branches with lichens growing on them. This living cage gives students the opportunity to study the lizards in a natural environment. Many students and teachers cooperated in constructing this project.



DRAMA CLUB NEWS

Drama class has been very productive this fall. In addition to learning the elements of a play (characters, dialogue, action, and setting) the students have also studied plot, conflict, and resolutions. Students were given the opportunity to "show what they had learned" through their own creative efforts. The class was divided into two groups. Group 1 was Karen Booth, Teresa Lovejoy, Lori Lockwood, Ronnie Epperly and Joey Lanham and Group 2 was Freddy Silva, Cathy Washer, Scottie Foster, Perry Henry, and Rhonda Graybeal. Each group chose a conflict and developed a cartoon complete with characters, setting and dialogue. When the cartoons were finished, the students performed for each other in class! As an enrichment activity, the movie Some Kind of Wonderful was shown. Students were able to identify the elements involved in a play as well as view a movie involving teenagers and conflicts.

More recently these students have been involved in learning the parts of a script and the tasks of a playwright. After studying such concepts as comedy and tragedy, the class was divided into three groups. Each group planned a scene, wrote the script for the scene, and performed the scene for videotaping. Group 1 consisted of Lori Lockwood, Freddy Silva, and Mark Burton. Group 2 included Cathy Washer, Joey Lanham, and Ronnie Epperly. Group 3 was comprised of Karen Booth, Scottie Foster, and Teresa Lovejoy. Students viewed the videotape for enjoyment first. Later, the tape was used to pinpoint strong and weak areas of action and dialogue.

Presently, the students are enthusiastic with plans for a Christmas program. While getting "on the job" experience with the responsibilities of technicians and designers, they will also be learning about the costumes and floor plans. Try outs will be held and scripts handed out by the end of this week. Hopefully the play, Just What They Wanted, will be ready for performance before Christmas vacation. Plans are also in the making to include Christmas songs and readings in the program.

GUESSING GAME

One of the special pre-Halloween activities was a guessing game to determine how many pieces of candy were in a glass jar. Patty Russell, Dee Pritt, and Roy Dolin were prize winners.

SONGS IN SIGN

Lori Lockwood and Cathy Washer interpreted songs in sign language at Hampshire High School on October 28, 1987. The School for the Blind chorus sang for the Regional Board of Education's dinner meeting. The chorus and girls received many nice compliments. Lori is the daughter of Mrs. Ellen Morris, Clarksburg. Cathy is the daughter of Mrs. Hilda Curtis, Hinton.

December '87



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BOY'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE 1987-88
 West Virginia School for the Deaf

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>WHERE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LEAVE</u>
December 15	VA School f/t Deaf	Home	4:00 PM	
December 17	Paw Paw	Home	7:00 PM	
January 5	Oldtown	Home	7:00 PM	
January 7	Maryland School f/t Deaf	Away	4:00 PM	<u>11:45 AM</u>
January 11	Oldtown	Away	7:00 PM	<u>4:30 PM</u>
January 15	Union	Away	7:00 PM	<u>3:30 PM</u>
January 19	Davis Center	Away	6:30 PM	<u>3:30 PM</u>
January 25	Va School f/t Deaf	Away	4:00 PM	<u>11:00 PM</u>
January 27	East Hardy	Home	7:00 PM	
January 28	Elk Garden	Home	7:00 PM	
February 2	Maryland School f/t Deaf	Home	4:00 PM	
February 8	Union	Home	7:00 PM	
February 9	Davis Center	Home	6:30 PM	
February 17	Elk Garden	Away	7:00 PM	<u>3:30 PM</u>
February 22	East Hardy	Away	7:00 PM	<u>3:30 PM</u>
February 23	Paw Paw	Away	7:00 PM	<u>3:30 PM</u>

February 26-27-28-29 ESDAA Basketball Tournament - New York
Leave = 8:00 AM = Feb. 26
Return = 9:00 PM = Feb. 29

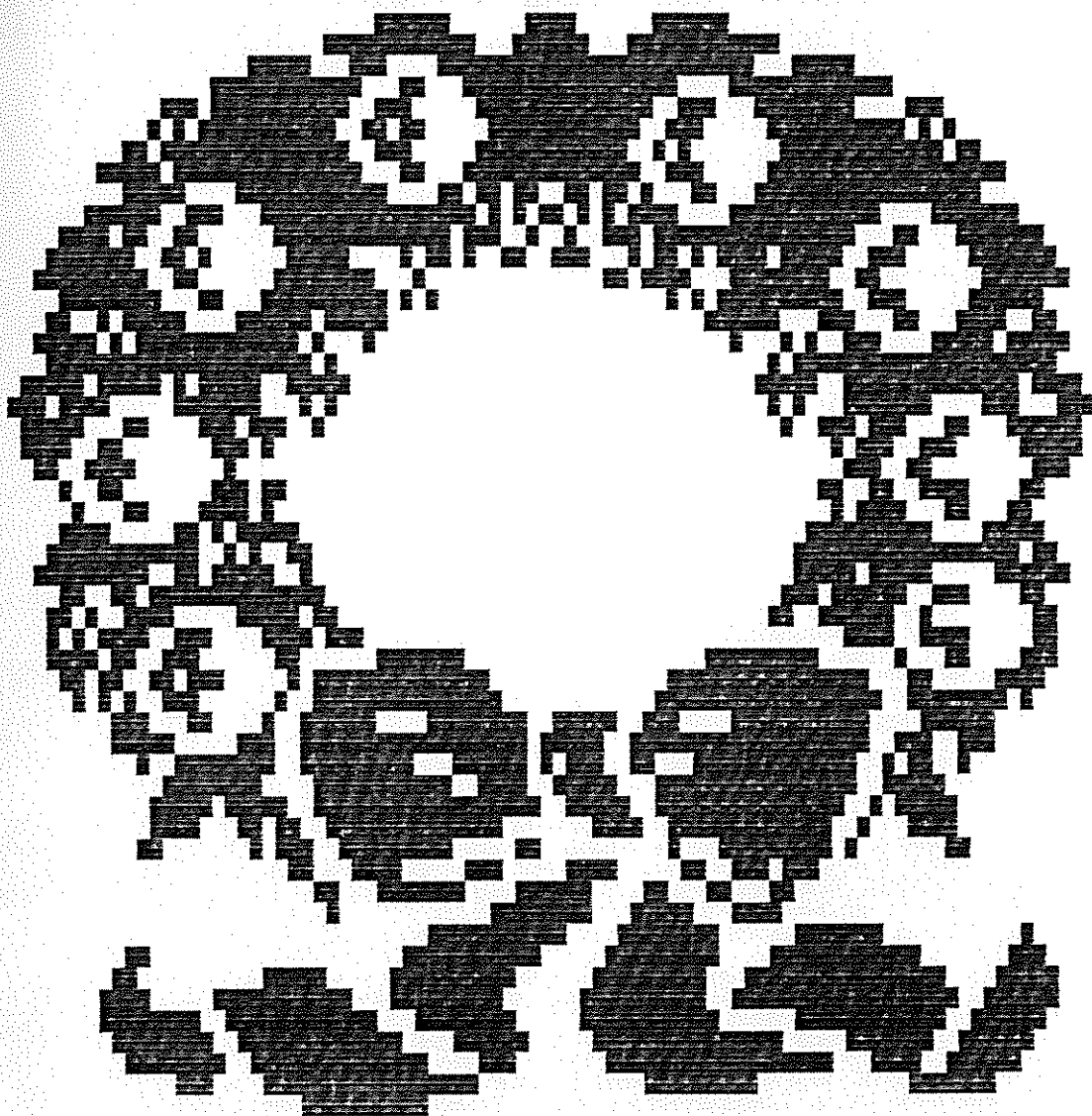
WRESTLING SCHEDULE 1987-88

WEST VIRGINIA SCHOOLS F/T DEAF AND THE BLIND

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>WHERE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
December 4-5	North Carolina	(4-Way Meet) - Raleigh, N.C.	
December 8	Maryland Blind	Home	3:00 PM
December 9	Jameswood-Amhurst	Away	6:30 PM
December 11-12	Mason-Dixon Tournament	- Spartansburg, S.C.	
January 6	Jameswood-Amhurst	Home	6:30 PM
January 12	Petersburg	Home	7:00 PM
January 14	Maryland School f/t Deaf	Home	4:00 PM
January 16	J.V. Tournament	- Petersburg High School	
January 20	Va School f/t Deaf/Turner Ashby	Away	6:30 PM
January 26	Keyser	Home	7:00 PM
January 29-30	E.A.A.B. Tournament (Blind Only)	Overbrook School for the Blind	
January 30	P.V.C. Tournament	- Tucker County High School	
February 5-6	ESDAA Tournament	- Lexington N.Y.	
February 15	Allegany	Home	7:00 PM
February 19-20	Regional Tournament	- Kingwood	

SEASON'S GREETINGS

from the



Students and Staff

at WVSD

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

'Twas the night before Christmas when all through
Not a creature was stirring, not even the custodians.
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that Saint Nicholas soon would be there.

The students and teachers were nestled all snug in
their desks,
While visions of sugarplums danced in their heads,
And Ms. Spinks in her kerchief and Mr. Haught in his
cap,
Had just settled down for a long winter's nap.

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,
Mr. Haught sprang from his chair to see what was the
matter.
Away to the window he flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow,
Gave a luster of midday to objects below,
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer;
With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.

More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by
name:
"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer! and Vixen!
On, Comet! on, Cupid! on, Donner and Blitzen!
To the top of the porch, to the top of the wall!
Now, dash away, dash away, dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,
So up to the school-top the coursers they flew,
With a sleigh full of books, and St. Nicholas, too.

And then in a twinkling, I heard on the roof
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.

He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and
soot;

A bundle of school books he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack;
His eyes how they twinkled! his dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard on his chin was as white as the snow.
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke, it encircled his head like a wreath.
He had a broad face and a little round belly
That shook, when he laughed, like a bowl full of
jelly.

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf,
And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself.

A wink of his eye, and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread;
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings; then turned with a
jerk,

And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the down on a whistle.
But I heard him exclaim as he drove out of sight,
"Happy Christmas to all and to all a good night."



THE LOON'S TALE



December 18, 1987

FHA LUNCHEON

On December 11, the Future Homemakers Club and the Food Service class prepared and served a holiday luncheon for twenty-two students and staff members. The menu included turkey, dressing, gravy, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, broccoli and cauliflower with cheese sauce, cake, and fruit punch.

Lori Lockwood designed the FHA invitation for the luncheon on the computer. Students who did most of the food preparation were Winnia Cabbell, Robin Maxwell, Jerry Elkins, Joey Lanham, and Mary Caruthers. The Future Farmers of America loaned Christmas centerpieces for on the tables. The food was delicious. The students now have an idea of how to prepare a holiday meal.

VICA

New officers for the Vocational Industrial Clubs of America for the 1987-88 school year are as follows:

President: Winnia Cabbell
Vice President: Teresa Lovejoy
Secretary: John Burdette
Treasurer: Kenny Gifford
Sergeant-at-arms: Tom Blankenship

The sponsors are Mr. Hal Weingold, Mr. J. Pierre Sevigny, Mr. Robert Patton, Mr. Ren Fuller, and Mr. John Deuel.

SC CHRISTMAS PROJECT

The Student Council has been busy making plans for Christmas. Members planned a Christmas party for students at the Elementary School for the Deaf. The theme of the party was "Christmas in Mexico". Members have been very busy making favors for the party, filling balloons with helium, and constructing a pinata and filling it with candy.

The idea of the pinata was explained to the elementary children by council members. On the first try, R. T. Lake broke the pinata and the candy fell to the floor. The elementary school children had fun scrambling around gathering the candy.

Three Student Council members, John Lott, Amy Mullins, and Ronnie Epperley volunteered to be Christmas elves at the party. They helped to pass out favors filled with candy and helium balloons to each student.

The project was a success and lots of fun. Student Council members received an unexpected Christmas gift, when they saw the smiles of pleasure on the Elementary children's faces.

EASTERN DISTRICT SC MEETING

On Thursday, December 17 the winter Eastern District Student Council Meeting was held at Hampshire High School in Romney. Five Student Council members and Student Council Sponsors, Miss Shank and Mr. Adrian attended. The theme of the meeting was "Building Leadership Skills Together".

JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF



Romney, WV 26757



DOOR DECORATING CONTEST

During the first week of December Student Council sponsored a door decorating contest at the school. The 2nd period classes were responsible for decorating the classroom doors. Many students got involved in the spirit of the occasion and the result was several beautifully decorated classroom doors. Decorating the school building helped to put everyone in a holiday mood and brightened the school.

Winners of the door decorating contest were as follows:

1st place - SILSU - Donald Jacobs
Beverly Huffman
Christine Dewalt
Tyrena Mangus
David McMillion
Samual Mallott

2nd place - 8th - Timmie Bossie
Angela Stokes
George Wilfong
(Miss Davis's room) Kenny Kidwell
Freddy Silva

3rd place - 10th Dee Pritt
Perry Henry
Jeremy Booth
(Mr. Adrian's room) Cathy Washer
John Burdette

Congratulations to those who won prizes in the door decorating contest.

NAME THAT BABY

Student Council sponsored a "Name That Baby Contest". Several students and staff brought baby pictures to school. These pictures were then placed on a bulletin board, and students and staff were given the opportunity to guess who the babies were. Over the years, many people's faces have changed significantly and most found it very difficult to guess who the pictures

were. However, all had a good time trying to guess and the bulletin board has become quite a conversation piece with students and staff alike. Between classes many people could be found standing around the bulletin board discussing who a particular picture might be.

Surprisingly enough, one person managed to get 31 of the 35 pictures named correctly and won 1st prize in the contest. Two people got 28 of the pictures correct and 1 person correctly answered 27.

Winners of the contest are as follows:

1st place - Karen Booth
2nd place - Teresa Lovejoy
Tina Stump
3rd place - Mark Burton



WRESTLING NEWS

The wrestling team got off to a great start by defeating the North Carolina School for the Blind 44-32 in the season opener. This was the first time our team had beaten them in more than twenty years.

The team also looked strong in our first home match as we rolled over Maryland School for the Blind 54-26. Winning a close match against Jameswood 38-29 made our dual meet record a perfect 3 wins and 0 losses.

On December 11-12 the team traveled to Spartanburg, South Carolina to compete in the 6th annual Mason Dixon Wrestling Tournament. Our team looked great. We placed 4th in a field of nine tough opponents. Four WVSD wrestlers made it to the championship finals. Two others were in the consolation finals.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

98 lb	T. BOSSIE	4th
105 lb	E. PACK	2nd
112 lb	J. BUCK	9th
119 lb	B. RAMSEY	9th
126 lb	R. INGRAM	5th
132 lb	T. MEADOWS	2nd
138 lb	J. LANHAM	3rd
145 lb		
155 lb	R. ALT	2nd
167 lb	M. HENSLEY	5th
185 lb	R. DOLIN	5th
275 lb	C. GILBERT	2nd

TEAM SCORES

1st	ALABAMA BLIND	171
2nd	MARYLAND DEAF	134
3rd	S. C. DEAF & BLIND	110
4th	WVSD	96
5th	FLORIDA DEAF	91
6th	MSSD	81
7th	VA DEAF & BLIND	39
8th	LOUISIANA DEAF	36
9th	N. C. DEAF	31

TEAM MEMBERS' RECORDS

<u>VARSITY</u>	<u>RECORD</u>
T. BOSSIE	3-3
E. PACK	4-1
J. BUCK	0-2
R. INGRAM	3-3
J. LANHAM	5-2
R. ALT	5-1
M. HENSLEY	4-2
R. DOLIN	3-3
C. GILBERT	5-1

<u>JUNIOR VARSITY</u>	<u>RECORD</u>
D. PRITT	0-0
P. HENRY	0-1
M. BURTON	0-1
K. KIDWELL	0-1
K. GIFFORD	0-1
T. BLANKENSHIP	1-0
T. MOREHEAD	0-0
J. ELKINS	0-1
M. LOSH	0-1
P. SEE	0-1
G. WILFONG	0-0



DRAMA CLUB

The Drama Club has been very busy during December. The play "Just What I Wanted" was presented for the students of the Elementary School for the Deaf and the Jr/Sr High. Members of the play cast were Cathy Washer, Mark Burton, Lori Lockwood, Karen Booth, and Ronnie Epperly. The group also presented Christmas Carols in sign. Signers were Freddy Silva, Scotty Foster, Rhonda Graybeal, and Teresa Lovejoy. Watch the January Newsletter for more details!!

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

On December 12 two vans filled with students went to the Cumberland Mall to do their Christmas shopping. The mall was crowded, with excitement in the air, and the students really enjoyed themselves, arriving back at the dorm around 10:00 p.m.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Student discussion groups have been suspended until after the new year. There are so many activities at the school at this time of year that there isn't enough time for all of them. Many of the students were disappointed that they were not having their groups, but we will be going strong in early January.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

On December 15 the Christmas banquet was held in Seaton Hall. The 9th and 10th grade classes set up the tables and served the meal. They did an excellent job. Many thanks.

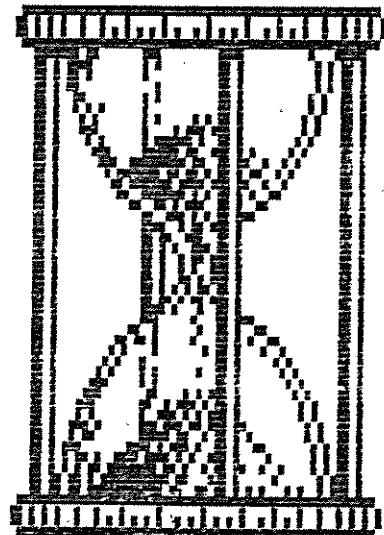
CHRISTMAS PARTY

The student Christmas party was held after the play on December 16 in Seaton Hall Recreation Room. It was planned and put on by the students.

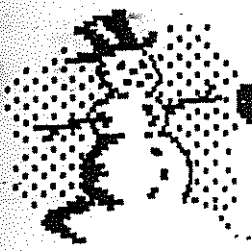
ELEMENTARY STUDENTS MOVE

Four students from the elementary school have moved over to Seaton Hall. They are Robin Guzzi, Michael Losh, Ernest Pack, and Amy Mullins. We are very glad to have them with us. They, along with two other day students, Angela Stokes and Paul See, will be joining the groups in January.

WISHING YOU
A HAPPY & SAFE



NEW YEAR !



January 1988



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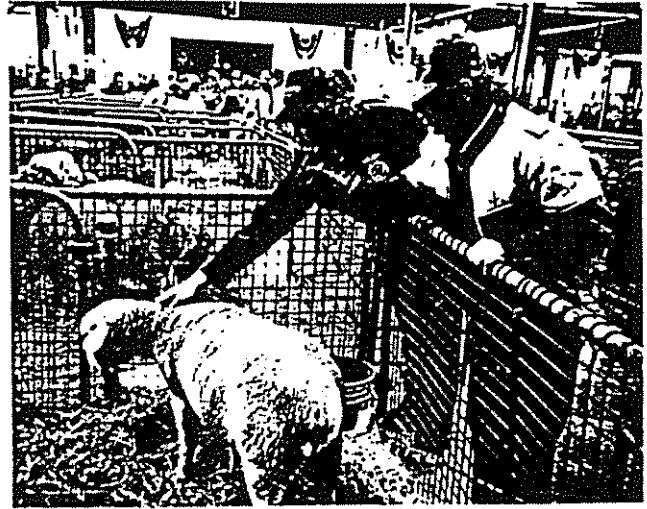
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24	25 Rep. Cards Due	26 Wrest Home	27 B'ball Home	28 B'ball Home	29	30
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THE DEAF'S TALE

January 25, 1988

PA FARM SHOW

Members of the WVSD FFA and 4-H traveled to Harrisburg, PA, on January 13 to attend the Pennsylvania Farm Show. The Farm Show is an annual event to which farmers from all over the east coast bring their best livestock to show, compete in judging events, and sell. There is a wide variety of livestock represented from work horses and dairy cattle to ducks and chickens. There is also a large machinery exhibit which includes all major machinery companies both domestic and foreign with their latest equipment. Also at the show 4-H, FFA, fruit, vegetable, homemaker, and food companies also have exhibits. The students and faculty attending the show had an enjoyable learning experience.



Larry Cogar and Jess Walker making friends with some of the prize winning sheep at the PA Farm Show.

FIRST SEMESTER ENDS

The first semester for the 1987-88 school year ended January 20. Teachers and students have been busy with nine week and semester exams. Students in grades 7-9 changed to different vocational areas for their pre-vocational courses. Several of the other students changed academic classes for the second semester. All the students have started new mini-classes for the third nine weeks. The mini-classes allow the students to take fun classes in areas of special interest. Classes this nine weeks include doll making, quilting, computer games, woodworking, and rug hooking.



Rhonda Graybeal is saying to Kim Funk and Amy Mullens, "Let's go see the animals!" during the the FFA/4-H trip to the PA Farm Show.

Junior-Senior High School for the Deaf
Romney, WV 26757

WRESTLING NEWS

The wrestling team has been having a very successful season, compiling a current overall duel meet record of 4-2. The boys have been working hard preparing for the upcoming tournaments. The Potomac Valley Conference (PVC) Tournament will be held January 24. The ESDAA Tournament for Deaf Schools will be held February 5-7. The Regional Tournament will be held February 19-20. The top four place winners in each weight class in this tournament will qualify for the state tournament to held in Huntington February 25-27.

Several of the boys have compiled very respectable individual records thus far.

VARSITY TEAM SCORES	WVSD	OPPONENT
N. C. BLIND	44	32
MARYLAND BLIND	54	21
JAMESWOOD	38	29
PETERSBURG	12	66
JAMES WOOD	42	27
MARYLAND DEAF	21	46

REMAINING DUEL MEETS

VA. SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
TURNER ASHBY
KEYSER
BERKELEY SPRINGS
ALLEGANY
WESTERN PA. DEAF

WVSD CHEERLEADERS

L-R: RHONDA GRAYBEAL, TINA STUMP, CATHY WASHER, WINNIA CABELL, LORI LOCKWOOD.



TEAM MEMBERS' RECORDS

VARSITY	RECORD
T. BOSSIE	4-5
E. PACK	4-3
J. BUCK	0-3
R. INGRAM	4-5
J. LANHAM	6-4
R. ALT	8-1
M. HENSLEY	5-3-1
R. DOLIN	4-5
C. GILBERT	7-1-1
P. HENRY	0-1 (Injured)

JUNIOR VARSITY	RECORD
R. EPPERLY	1-1
D. PRITT	0-1
M. BURTON	0-3
K. KIDWELL	1-2
T. BLANKENSHIP	2-0
T. MOREHEAD	0-1
J. ELKINS	1-2
M. LOSH	1-2
P. SEE	0-3
G. WILFONG	1-1

BASKETBALL NEWS

The basketball team is off to a slow start record wise 1-4, but promises to finish strong as several young players mature and improve. The team season highlight thus far has been the 54-47 victory in the opener against Virginia School for the Deaf. The team showed much improvement in the most recent game against Union where all 8 players scored. The team really seems to be getting it together and should be a strong contender in this year's ESDAA Tournament in New York February 26-28.

PVC TOURNAMENT

ROBBIE ALT AND ROY DOLIN WRESTLED IN THE PVC TOURNAMENT LAST SATURDAY AT FRANKFORT HIGH SCHOOL. ROBBIE PLACE 2ND LOSING THE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH IN TRIPLE OVERTIME TO KEYSER. HE PINNED OPPONENTS FROM MUSSLEMAN AND PETERSBURG.

ROY DOLIN PLACED 4TH. HE BEAT OPPONENTS FROM SOUTHERN AND KEYSER AND LOST BY ONLY 1 POINT (6-5) TO MUSSLEMAN IN THE SEMI-FINALS.

DRAMA CLUB NEWS

It was with great success that the Drama Class taught by Mrs. Debra Heare performed the Christmas farce "Everything They Always Wanted".

It was a hilarious 45 minutes of "mix-up" and "mismatch", preceded by the singing hands of Teresa Lovejoy, Rhonda Graybeal, Scotty Foster, and Freddy Silva performing some traditional carols in sign language. Teresa's and Rhonda's dance rendition of "Silent Night" was particularly moving.

Mark Burton portraying the absent-minded poet was beautifully complimented by the practical sister role performed by Cathy Washer. Mark's long suffering wife was very ably played by Lori Lockwood with a nice balance to the cast being brought by Ron Epperly and Karen Booth who gave good portrayals of the somewhat silly neighbors.

The Elementary School and Vocational Rehabilitation staff were treated to a showing on December 15th with the main performance for students, family, staff and Mr. Jack Brady, WVSD's Superintendent being given after the annual Christmas dinner on Wednesday December 16.

Volunteers from all departments of the School, Academic and Vocational, administration, and dormitory actively participated to make this first production in some years an outstanding success. Let us hope this will become a regular event.



**HAPPY
VALENTINE'S DAY !**

DORM NEWS

Groups

Group discussions have begun again. The groups have been reorganized because of the addition of the elementary and day students. We now have 7 groups instead of 6 (3 girls and 4 boys). The students have started the New Year with plenty of ideas for improving the dorm. It is encouraging to see their interest.

Swimming

One of our houseparents is a certified life guard and swimming instructor. We offer swimming five times a week in the evenings. More than a dozen students are involved.

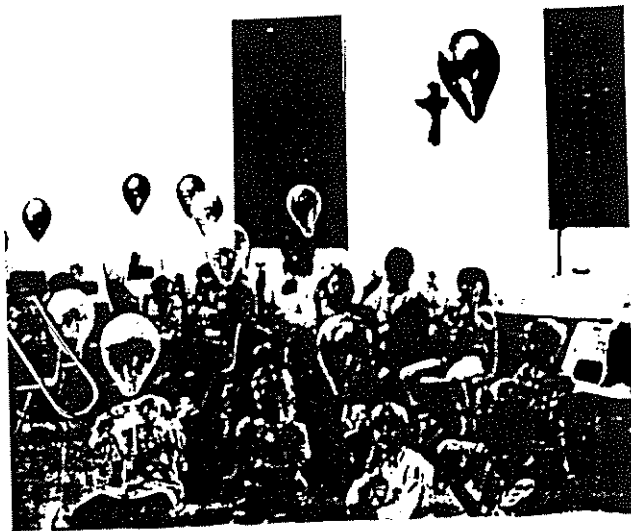
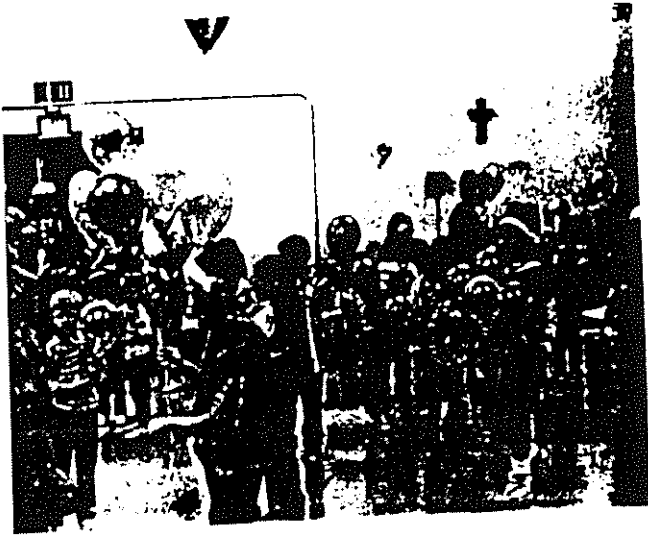
Future Planning

1. Multi-Handicapped Students: We are planning to increase our staff by one part-time position, to work with the increasing number of students in the dorm who have additional handicaps. These are special people who need extra help, which is the reason for increasing staff hours. We expect one more multi-handicapped student by the end of this month.

2. Bowling: We are planning a bowling league, to begin next month and run four to six times a month. Students will pay their own way, at a discount price. Last year there was a lot of participation. We look for the same thing this year.

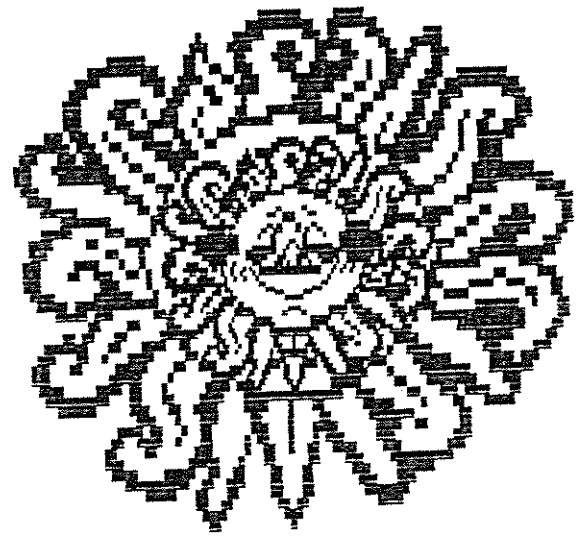
3. Skiing: We have a sign-up sheet for skiing again this year at Canaan Valley on March 21, 22, and 23. We will take 29 students and 7 staff. This trip is sponsored entirely by the Lion's Club, and is one of the most popular trips of the year. Students will need parents' permission, and perhaps a little spending money.

SCENES FROM THE 1987 CHRISTMAS PARTY
at the Elementary School for the
Deaf. Sponsored by Jr/Sr High
School Student Council.



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Photography student.

COMING ATTRACTION !



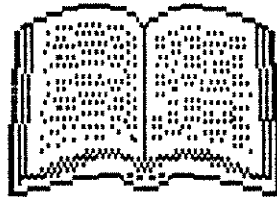
SUNSHINE TOO !

COUNTDOWN
UNTIL SPRING !



56 DAYS !!

HONOR ROLL



"A"

ROBBIE ALT
KAREN BOOTH
JOHN BUCK
WINNIA CABBELL
GALE GREGORY
ROBYN GUZZI
MIKE HENSLEY
LORI LOCKWOOD
MICHAEL LOSH
TERESA LOVEJOY
AMY MULLENS
ROBYN TACKETT
CATHY WASHER
JEFF WETZEL

"B+"

JOHN BURDETTE
DORIS CRISS
LARRY COGAR
SCOTT JOHNSON
JOHN LOTT
ERNEST PACK
DEE PRITT
PAUL SEE
FREDDY SILBA
ANGELA STOKES
GEORGE WILFONG

"B"

ROY DOLIN
RONNIE EPPERLY
KIM FUNK
CLERMONT GILBERT
RHONDA GRAYBEAL
KIM HASH
RON INGRAM
JEFF JARVIS
EVONNE PENDLETON
TINA STUMP
JUNIOR TUSTIN

2ND NINE WEEKS



February 1988



SUN MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT

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21	22 B'BALL AWAY	23 B'BALL AWAY	24	25	26 ESDAA B'BALL TOURN	27 ESDAA B'BALL TOURN
28 ESDAA B'BALL TOURN	29 →	<p>* February 5 - TEACHERS OFF (OUT OF SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT) * February 19 - TEACHERS OFF</p>				

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March 3, 1988

SUMMER SCHOOL PLANS

The Secondary School for the Deaf is planning a two week summer school program this year. The program will be open to all hearing impaired students in West Virginia entering grades 7-12. Dates for the program are July 10-23.

The academic program will focus on language arts, career awareness, and enrichment in computer technology. The recreational program will focus on individual and group sports, crafts, and camping skills. The program will be both educational and enjoyable for the students. If you are interested in the program, please contact us.

VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

The Vocational Agriculture class has a new computer. Oscar and William Bean of Bean & Bean Attorneys at Law, Moorefield, WV, donated a computer with a monitor and printer to the vocational agriculture class and the FFA. The computer will be used for FFA administration and leadership activities and to reinforce agriculture class lessons.

Mr. Leatherman, agriculture teacher, and the FFA members are very excited about the donation and feel that it will help expand the learning in the vocational agriculture program.

CREATIVE WOODWORKING

Students in the Creative Woodworking mini-class under the supervision of Mr. Sevigny have handcrafted some nice projects for their own use. Listed below are the students and their projects.

Robbie Alt--Dear Mounting Board
Karen Booth--Turned Fruit Bowl
Tom Blankenship--Toy Train Engine
Martin Sias--Gallery Roll
Towel Holder
J. R. Fox--Spool Display Case

HONOR ROLL

Timmy Bossie and Kenny Kidwell were omitted from the honor roll for the Second Nine Weeks and First Semester. Both Timmy and Kenny made the "B" honor rolls.

PICTURES

School pictures are now available. You may make your check for \$7.50 payable to WVSD.

Junior-Senior High School for the Deaf



SUNSHINE TOO VISITS SCHOOL

Sunshine Too, a touring theatre troupe, from the National Technical Institute for the Deaf recently visited the school. The group was sponsored by the WV School for the Deaf with financial assistance through an Arts and Humanities Grant from the West Virginia Department of Culture and History and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Sunshine Too delighted its audience with stories and songs from far and near. With a minimum of props and costumes, traditional stories such as "Cinderella", "Dracula", Hans Christian Anderson's "The Ugly Duckling", and an adaptation of Anton Chekov's "The Big Sneeze" were changed into a body of visual literature appropriate for both deaf and hearing audiences. The audience was also treated to two short song and dance routines called "The Chubby Monkey Song" and "Hand Jive". Both pieces were written and adapted by the members of the group. The songs gave the group the opportunity to showcase their unique talents as they combined American sign language, gesture, rhythm, body language, movement, and music providing a meaningful visual display of song and dance. The audience especially enjoyed "Hand Jive" as they were given the opportunity to learn the motions to the chorus of the song. Many students and staff now walk through the halls of WVSD doing the "Hand Jive".

The Sunshine Too story of Cinderella points out the barriers to communication that are faced by the deaf on a daily basis. The need for both hearing and deaf individuals to learn sign language so that they can communicate and the need to make available to deaf individuals such things as TDD's and lighted doorbells is clearly shown.

The story, "The Big Sneeze" depicts some of the barriers and misunderstandings that exist between hearing and deaf individuals. It also stresses the importance of deaf and hearing people learning to communicate with one another using sign language and other appropriate means.

While on campus Sunshine Too provided a three hour workshop for students. During the workshop students had the opportunity to participate in a variety of theatre experiences including music, mime, and theatre games. Rhythm, American sign language, body language, gesture, and mime were stressed throughout the workshops. During the music portion of the workshop students learned signs and choreographed movements to three songs.

Students played a variety of language and communication oriented games during the theatre games session. The games required participants to concentrate on rhythm, coordination, balance, gesture and body language.

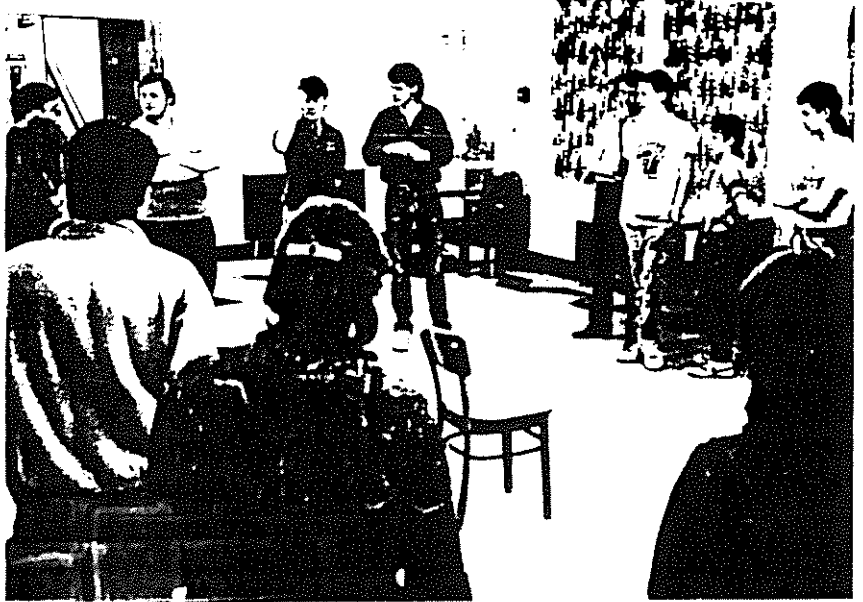
During the mime portion of the workshops participants concentrated on imitation of movements, body language and movement, posture, and character development.

The day and a half program presented by Sunshine Too provided high quality entertainment, while at the same time promoting deaf awareness and serving as a positive role model for interaction between deaf and hearing people. Performances and workshops were conducted in sign language and spoken English simultaneously.



The cast of SUNSHINE TOO.

Students and members of Sunshine Too
at a Workshop.



Sunshine Too performing for the
Secondary School for the Deaf
students and faculty.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN HORTICULTURE

PREVOCATIONAL: The students have finished a unit on the FFA, its history, and operation. They have also completed part 1 of the greenhouse unit. They learned about the different parts of a greenhouse and some of the equipment. They have taken cuttings from geranium plants to propagate new plants which will sold by the FFA. In the next unit they will learn about the different occupational areas of Horticulture which include Floriculture, cultivation and marketing of flowering plants, Pomology, cultivation of fruits, Olericulture, cultivation of vegetables, Ornamental and Landscape Horticulture, use and care of grasses, trees, shrubs in the landscape, and related occupations that provide products and services necessary in the production of Horticulture crops. The students will also have Greenhouse part 2 which will include materials used to produce crops. They will also plant and care for flowering plants which will be sold.

HORTICULTURE MAJORS: Students have learned how to prune fruit trees. They have been preparing the greenhouse for spring growing and marketing season by replumbing the irrigation system, building a new mist bed and rearranging the benches to make it more accessible. In ag mechanics, students have been learning the parts of small engines and their functions, how to braze with oxygen and acetylene, and how to work on a truck engine. The students have also been planting vegetable seeds to produce bedding plants for sale.

AG-SCIENCE MINI-CLASS: With the help of Mrs. Debra Heare, Ag-Science mini-class has been preparing FFA members for competition in public speaking, parliamentary procedure, and learning the FFA creed. They will compete in the subdistrict state contest in April.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Horticulture students of the month for February are Paul See, prevocational, and Larry Cogar, major. Both students have put a lot of effort into class and deserve to be recognized.



ANN LANDERS

Dear Readers: The National Institute of Mental Health asked the following question of 50 parents who had raised their children to become well-adjusted, productive adults:

Based on your personal experiences, what is the best advice you can give new parents about raising children?

Their responses were, in my opinion, the most thoughtful and succinct guidelines I have seen in a long time. Here they are:

1. Love abundantly. The most important task is to love and really care about your child. This gives him or her a sense of security, belonging and support. It smoothes out the rough edges of society.

2. Discipline constructively. Give clear direction and enforce the limits on your child's behavior. Emphasize "Do this," instead of "Don't do that."

3. Whenever possible, spend time with your children. Play with them, talk to them, teach them to develop a family spirit and give them a sense of belonging.

4. Give the needs of your mate priority. One parent put it this way: "A husband and wife are apt to be successful parents when they put their marriage first. Don't worry about the children getting "second best." Child-centered households produce neither happy marriages nor happy children."

5. Teach your children right from wrong. They need to be taught basic values and manners so that they will get along well in society. Insist that they treat others with kindness, respect and honesty. Set personal examples of moral courage and integrity.

6. Develop mutual respect. Act in a respectful way toward your children. Say "please" and "thank you," and apologize when you are wrong. Children who are treated with respect will then know how to treat you and others respectfully.

7. Listen. Really listen. This means giving your children undivided attention, putting aside your beliefs and feelings and trying to understand your children's point of view.

8. Offer guidance. Be brief. Don't give speeches. And don't force your opinions on your children.

9. Foster independence. Gradually allow children more freedom and control over their lives. One parent said, "On your children are old enough phase yourself out of the picture, but always be near when they need you."

10. Be realistic, expect to make mistakes.

WRESTLING NEWS

The wrestling team did very well in the Region II AA Wrestling Tournament in Kingwood February 19-20. Robbie Alt and Clermont Gilbert remained undefeated into the finals and qualified for the A-AA State Wrestling Tournament in Huntington February 26-28. Mike Hensley and Roy Dolin earned fifth place metals and served as alternates to the top 4 place winners. Robbie placed 7th and Clermont placed 9th in the State Tournament at Huntington.



Clermont Gilbert poised and ready for action.

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

The West Virginia School for the Deaf Lions participated in the annual ESDAA Basketball and Cheerleading Tournament at Mill Neck Manor Lutheran School for the Deaf on Long Island, New York February 26-29. The WVSD Lions lost to Rome School for the Deaf by five points in the first game. WVSD defeated Ausine, VT, in the second game and lost to Rhode Island in the final game. The Lions finished the tournament in 6th place. Mill Neck Manor won first place. Mike Hensley was named to the first all-star team. The cheerleaders earned third place in their competition and tied with Mill Neck for the Jim Cooney Sportsmanship Award. Cathy Washer was named first team cheerleader.

COMING SOON !
SPRING TRAINING
FOR



SOFTBALL
&
BASEBALL

PARENTS' DAY

DORM NEWS

Captains Program: On Washington's Birthday we started the "Captains Program" in Seaton Hall. Four seniors were chosen who are on the "A" Honor Roll and have been on Level IV for at least three months straight. The four seniors are Karen Booth, Winnia Cabbell, Jeff Whetzel, and Mike Hensley. Their duties are to assist the houseparents in the dorm by helping enforce the Level System, make sure games and equipment are returned after being used, and help see that things are not destroyed in the dorm. They are also to assist the students with any problems they may have. For carrying out these responsibilities, they are given extra freedoms and privileges. We are proud of our Captains. They are doing an excellent job.

Program For Special Students: In the dorm we have five students whom we call special. They have additional handicaps to their deafness. This month we have hired two new part-time houseparents to help work with these students. In the past we have not been able to offer them a program, because we did not have enough staff. Now we have the beginnings of a program. More special students will be coming to the dorm in the future.

Carpet and Tile: The carpet is on order for the dorm, and most of the floor tile is in. The rooms, hallways, and T.V. rooms will be re-done. We are looking forward to this project. Last week the first floor girls' dorm was painted, as well as the lobby. It made the place look a lot brighter and cleaner.

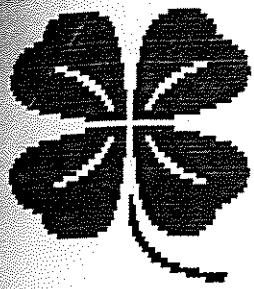
Friday, April 1, will be Parents' Day. Make your plans now to attend the program in the MPR. This will be an opportunity for you to meet with your son's/daughter's teachers and discuss his/her progress in school. Teachers will be available for conferences from 8:00-12:00.

There will be a meeting of the Parents' Advisory Committee at 11:00 a.m. in the Staff Dining Room. Please plan to attend this very important meeting.

28 DAYS UNTIL



EASTER VACATION!



March 1988



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		1	2	3 HOME GOING	4 10 MO. STAFF OFF	5
6	7	8	9 B'BALL TOURN	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 ST. PAT'S DAY	18 HOME GOING	19
20	21 SKI TRIP	22 SKI TRIP	23 SKI TRIP	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 END 3RD 9 WEEKS	31 REP. CARDS DUE	APRIL 1 PARENTS' DAY 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	

BOY'S BASEBALL SCHEDULE 1988

West Virginia School for the Deaf

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>WHERE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
March 24	Hampshire JV's	Home* (DH)	4:00 PM
March 28	St. Johns	Home	4:00 PM
March 29	Flintstone	Home	4:00 PM
March 30	East Hardy	Home	4:00 PM
April 12	Calvary Christian Academy	Home	4:00 PM
April 14	Circleville	Home* (DH)	3:30 PM
April 18	Union	Away* (DH)	4:00 PM
April 22	Elk Garden	Home	4:00 PM
April 26	East Hardy	Away	4:00 PM
May 2	Paw Paw	Home	4:00 PM
May 4	Paw Paw	Away	4:00 PM
May 5	Elk Garden	Away	4:00 PM
May 9	Union	Home* (DH)	3:30 PM
May 10	Flintstone	Away	4:00 PM
May 16-20	Sectional Tournament		
May 21	MSSD	Home	1:00 PM

*DH - Doubleheader

Coach - J. D. Corbin
 Assistant Coach - E.A. Leatherman



THE LION'S TALE



April 1, 1988

A FRIEND LOST BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

Miss Marsha Ries, a teacher at the Secondary School for the Deaf, passed away at her home Sunday, March 27. Miss Ries died of natural causes, having had a history of asthma and respiratory problems.

Miss Ries had taught at the West Virginia School for the Deaf for eighteen years. She was employed as an elementary and speech teacher for two years and for sixteen years as a typing and keyboarding teacher at the Secondary School. She had served as a cheerleader sponsor, girls' basketball coach, and was involved in dramatic productions of the school.

Miss Ries was a 1969 graduate of Gallaudet University and a native of Washington, Michigan. She is survived by her parents, a sister, and four brothers.

Miss Ries will be deeply missed by the staff and students of the School.

A memorial service was held at the school on Thursday, March 31.

MARCH OF DIMES YOUTH CONFERENCE

The West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and Blind and the Eastern Panhandle Chapter of the March of Dimes are sponsoring a Youth Conference on Adolescent, Sexuality, Pregnancy, and Birth Defects. Students from the West Virginia School for the Deaf, the West Virginia School for the Blind, and Hampshire High School are being invited to attend this day-long conference.

The Youth Conference will be held on Tuesday, May 3, 1988 in the multipurpose room of the Junior-Senior High School for the Deaf. Parental permission is required in order for students to attend. Letters explaining the conference have been sent to parents along with permission forms.

If you have questions or comments about the conference, please feel free to contact Miss E. Shank, Mrs. Maureen Wysopal, Mrs. Vickie Spinks, or Mr. Dan Haught at the School for the Deaf.

JR. NAD TRIP

Cathy Washer and John Burdette attended the Jr. NAD National Convention at the California School for the Deaf in Fremont, CA, March 25-30. Mr. and Mrs. Hal Weingold accompanied them. A complete story about the trip will be included in the May Newsletter.

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ROMNEY, WV 26757

Future Homemakers of America Meeting

On Wednesday March 16 West Virginia School for Blind FHA and West Virginia School for the Deaf FHA hosted an FHA meeting for the Hampshire High School FHA. Winnia Cabbell, president of WVSD FHA Club, and Diane Reid, president of WWSB FHA Club, welcomed FHA members from Hampshire High to the WVSD&B campus.

Winnia Cabbell gave a presentation on Growing Up Deaf. Lori Lockwood, secretary of WVSD FHA, spoke on Deafness and Sign Language. Miss Donna Brown, teacher at WWSB spoke on Visual Impairment. Dan Oates, mobility instructor at the WWSB gave a presentation on Mobility. Maureen Wysopal, Home Economics instructor and FHA advisor at WVSD, demonstrated how to use a TTY. Several FHA'ers from WWSB and Hampshire High tried out the TTY by phoning Mrs. Robin Tackett. Students really enjoyed talking to Robin.

WWSB FHA prepared and served tacos for refreshments. WVSD FHA members prepared and served cookies and punch. Several students from the School for the Blind provided piano and guitar music while other students partook of the goodies and socialized.

Kim Smith, president of Hampshire High FHA, and Mrs. Whiteman, Hampshire High FHA advisor thanked all the FHA members for their hospitality and informative FHA meeting on visual and hearing impairments.

Students at WVSD who participated in the meeting were: Winnia Cabbell, Lori Lockwood, Myrna Hill, Evonne Pendleton, Glenn Berry, Joey Lanham, Mary Carruthers, Doris Criss, and Tina Stump.

Easter Preparations

Home Economics foods classes are busy decorating Easter candy. Ms. Spinks, our assistant principal, has been giving the foods classes tips on how to professionally make molded Easter candy. Students who are busy preparing goodies for the Easter Bunny are: Timmie Bossie, Kenny Kidwell, Evonne Pendleton, Mary Carruthers, Joey Lanham, and Winnia Cabbell.

Fifth Generation Teacher

Winnia Cabbell has been working as a teacher's aide in the Elementary Deaf Department for the past six weeks. She has been assisting Mrs. Taulanna Malcolm in the first grade classroom. This work experience has given Winnia Cabbell the opportunity to see and experience classroom responsibility with a teacher. Winnia plans to attend Gallaudet College next year and begin an elementary education degree. Recently Winnia found out that she will be the fifth generation in her family to work as a classroom teacher. Best wishes next year, Winnia.

VOCATIONAL INDUSTRIAL CLUBS OF AMERICA

During a recent VICA meeting Darla Smith placed first in the VICA Creed signing contest while Patty Russell was a close 2nd. Each received \$8.00 to be used as their dues. The VICA Club is proud of these young ladies who overcame their stage fright jitters.

DANCE MINI-CLASS

Some of the students had a dance mini-class this third nine weeks. Those students were Kim Hash, Evonne Pendleton, Robyn Guzzi, Patty Russell, Mark Burton, Darrell Berry, Davy Bolen, and Scott Foster. The teachers were Mrs. Davy and Mr. Linzey.

We watched four movies about dancing: Top Hat, A Chorus Line, Flash Dance, and Dirty Dancing. We practiced precision dancing, the two step, box step, Cha Cha, and modern dancing. We tried 50's, 60's, and 70's dances, such as, the swim, monkey, jitterbug, funky chicken, and the stroll.

After Easter break, we will host a Sock Hop in the MPR for all the students. It will be fun to dance and socialize over cookies and punch.

Some comments from students in dance class:

Kim Hash: "I enjoyed dancing with the kids and enjoyed the teachers that helped me. I enjoyed watch Dirty Dancing."

Evonne Pendleton: "I really like to dance. The class was so much fun and I also enjoyed watching the movies."

Darrell Berry: "I really enjoyed dancing, and it is good to learn about the history of music of the 1950's, 60's, 70's, and 80's."

Mark Burton: "I really enjoyed dancing. I love to dance and to watch dance movies. I'd like to learn more about dancing in the future. I love to dance better than anything else. I hope someday all the kids can join a dance class."

Scott Foster: "I really love to dance and I learned some skills about dancing. Our mini-class was wonderful. I had lots of fun."

Robyn Guzzi: "I really love to dance. I expect to be a dancer in the future. I'll take a dance class at college. I have dance since I was a little girl. I am interested in dance movies because I learn more from them. I hope everyone will enjoy dancing as much as I do."

THE STAFF AND STUDENTS



WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY EASTER!

GIRLS' SOFTBALL

by

Jan Dodgins, Assistant Coach

I'm already very, very proud of the Girls' Softball Team! All 13 girls are very enthusiastic and are trying their best at every practice!

We have scheduled 11 games, some of which are double headers. The girls have been practicing every day after school, some days both on the field and by exercising or running afterwards. My congratulations to the girls for being "tough enough" to practice outside Monday, March 13, a very cold, windy day. That shows how much spirit our girls have.

On behalf of Coach Nancy Hill and myself, we are looking forward to a fun softball season, with a great bunch of young ladies!

GOOD LUCK! GIRLS' SOFTBALL



BOYS' BASEBALL TEAMS !!

1988 Girls' Softball Team

Karen Booth	Cathy Washer
Winnia Cabbell	Doris Criss
Tina Stump	Myrna Hill
Sandra Walls	Evonne Pendleton
Kim Hash	Robyn Guzzi
Darla Smith	Amy Mullins
Rhonda Graybeal	
Manager: Teresa Lovejoy	
Scorekeeper: Lori Lockwood	

HAS SPRING



FINALLY SPRUNG?

BOYS' BASEBALL TEAM

Jeremy Booth	Mike Hensley
Darrell Berry	Larry Cogar
John Buck	Ron Ingram
Mark Burton	Duane Pritt
Clermont Gilbert	Roy Dolin
Tom Blankenship	Perry Henry
Terry Morehead	Junior Tustin
Robbie Alt	John Burdette

Head Coach: Joseph D. Corbin
Asst Coach: E.A. Leatherman
Manager: Jeff Wetzel
Scorekeeper: Kimberly Funk



April 1988



SUN MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT

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3	4 SPRING BREAK BEGINS	5	6	7	8	9 SPRING BREAK CONT.
10 BACK TO WVSD	11 MINI CLASS	12 S'BALL B'BALL	13	14 B'BALL	15 S'BALL	16
17	18 B'BALL	19	20 SAT PRE TEST	21 SAT CONT. PUZZ.	22 B'BALL	23 S'BALL SING. HANDS
24	25	26 S'BALL B'BALL	27 B'BALL	28 HOME CLUBS	29 TEACH WORK DAY	30

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PUPPET WALK-A-THON AND ASSEMBLY

The Potomac Center in Romney has a unique program called "The Kids on the Block". The "Kids" are life size puppets that are used to promote an understanding and awareness of handicaps. Some of the puppets are "normal" while others have a variety of handicaps. On April 28 the "Kids" visited WVSD and gave an assembly. During the assembly the "Kids" showed us that all of us have some kind of handicap and that we all need to be kind and considerate of one another. Instead of teasing and picking we need to help one another and work with one another. One of the able and capable puppeteers during the performance was Mrs. Marj Boley, a member of our staff. Mrs. Boley has worked with the group since its inception over a year ago.

The "Kids on the Block" is now trying to raise money to purchase a deaf "Kid". As part of their money raising campaign they will be sponsoring a six mile walk-a-thon on Saturday, May 7. Students and staff from our school are being encouraged to participate by walking and/or sponsoring a walker. Mrs. Marj Boley and Mrs. Debra Heare, staff members are helping to coordinate the walk-a-thon at the school.

TRAPPERS PRESENT PROGRAM

On Tuesday, April 19 the members of the WVSD Trappers Club presented an assembly for the students at the Elementary School for the Deaf. Members participating in the project were Dee Pritt, Mike Hensley, John Burdette, and Jeff Wetzel.

During the program Dee Pritt explained the club background and described activities that the club participates in. Activities include participation at the WV Trappers Association Convention, taxidermy projects, tanning projects, and rug making from deer, beaver, calf, and bear hides.


John Burdette explained about WV furbearing animals including conservation, animal harvesting, and diseases. He also explained how trapping is a million dollar industry in WV.

Mike Hensley discussed hides and leathers along with their uses, the care and handling of pelts, and types of skinning.

Jeff Wetzel was responsible for explaining how to do basic taxidermy, and how to scrape and prepare hides and pelts for tanning including the use of appropriate tools.

Jeff Wetzel and Mike Hensley also showed a display of WV furbearers and briefly explained their habitats.

All members participated in a question/answer session that was met with much enthusiasm. It was a good learning experience and enjoyed by all.



**DREAMING OF
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FUN IN THE SUN!**

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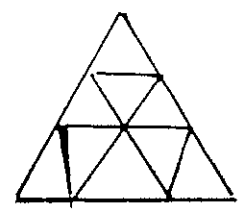
PUZZLES AND MORE PUZZLES

On April 20 Gallaudet University sponsored the first national puzzle competition for hearing impaired students. The following students from our school participated: Kim Funk, John Buck, Mark Burton, Rhonda Graybeal, Winnia Cabbell, John Burdette, Perry Henry, Dee Pritt, and Kim Hash. All found the competition to be quite stimulating and challenging. Five winners will be selected nationally and they will travel to Gallaudet University to participate in Round 2 of the competition. Hopefully WVSD will have some champion puzzle solvers and some of our students will have the opportunity to travel to Gallaudet.

For your enjoyment two of the puzzles from the competition are shown below. See how good you are at solving puzzles. The answers to the puzzles are elsewhere in the newsletter.

1. What is the next combination of letters and numbers
 A1 Z26 B3 Y24 C5 X22 _____?
 a. D7 W20
 b. D7 V21
 c. D8 W20
 d. D6 W21

2. How many triangles are in the picture?



- a. 9 b. 10 c. 13 d. 11

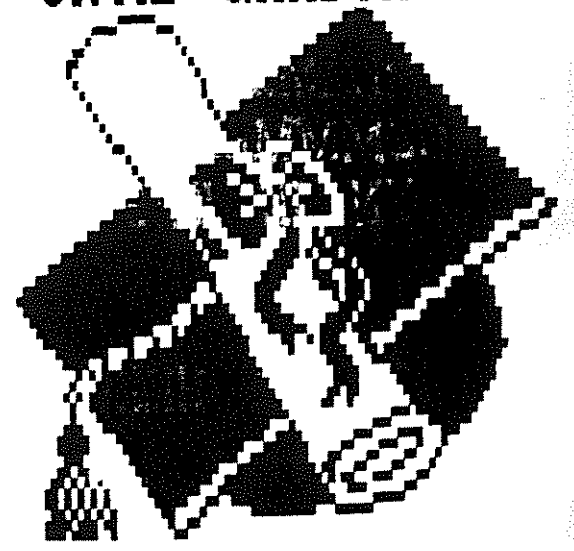
SINGING HANDS

On Saturday, April 23 Singing Hands performed at the WV School for the Deaf. The group performs music in sign language and its members are students, staff, and volunteers from the WV Vocational Rehabilitation Center in Charleston, WV.

This year marks the fifth year that the group has performed at the school. Over the years their style and program has changed. This year's program was a mixture of patriotic songs, country-western music, gospel music, and current popular music including a guest appearance by the California Raisins. Watching the group change standard musical lyrics into rhythmical signs is always a pleasure. With the addition of appropriate costuming and choreography the group gives a credible and quite enjoyable performance.

Singing Hands began in November 1979 and is directed by Mrs. Donna Whittington, a sign language interpreter at the Rehabilitation Center. In the past 8 years, the group has given over 600 performances in West Virginia, Ohio, Virginia, Pennsylvania, and North Carolina.

**43 DAYS
UNTIL GRADUATION!**



MARCH OF DIMES YOUTH CONFERENCE

Did you know that in 1985, 62 young women in West Virginia between the ages of 10 and 14 had babies? The total number of teenage births (10-19 years old) for that year was 4,105. Statistics show that teenage mothers are more likely to be undernourished, suffer premature or prolonged labor, and have low birth weight babies. Babies who weigh under 5 and 1/2 pounds at birth may have immature lungs, hearts, and brains. They may suffer mental retardation, and the risk of dying is much higher than for normal weight babies. 2 out of 3 pregnant teenagers drop out of school and become financially dependent upon family or the welfare system.

The March of Dimes is concerned about teenage pregnancy, because they care about the health and future of all children. The goal of the March of Dimes is to prevent birth defects. One of the most direct ways to do accomplish this goal is to help young people understand the consequences of teenage sexuality and adolescent pregnancy.

In an attempt to help teenagers make better informed decisions about teenage sexuality and adolescent pregnancy, the West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and Blind and the Eastern Panhandle Chapter of the March of Dimes are sponsoring a Youth Conference on Adolescent Sexuality, Pregnancy, and Birth Defects. Students from the West Virginia School for the Deaf, the West Virginia School for the Blind, and Hampshire High School will be attending the day-long conference on Tuesday, May 3.

Students will meet with health care professionals who will discuss teenage sexuality, the emotional and social aspects of pregnancy, and birth defects. In small groups students will have the opportunity to ask questions. A panel of teenage men and women who have been

involved in adolescent pregnancies will talk about the challenges, consequences, and feelings they have faced as teenage parents.

Parents should have received permission forms for their son/daughter to attend this conference. If you have not returned your child's permission form, please do so before May 3.

BLAST OFF !

On Saturday, April 30 Teresa Lovejoy, a senior at WVSD and Miss Pat Shank, a teacher at the school will be flying to Huntsville, AL to take part in a week-long pilot project for deaf students. The Alabama Space and Rocket Center in conjunction with the Alabama Sertoma Clubs is sponsoring a Space Academy for deaf students.

Twenty-one students and thirteen deaf educators will be participating in this project. Eighteen of the students are from Alabama, while the other 3 are from other states. The educators all hail from Alabama with the exception of three. Staff members include speech pathologists, audiologists, classroom teachers, and administrators. Miss Shank has been working with the program for over a year as a special volunteer consultant.

The Quota Club in Charleston, WV is graciously paying Miss Lovejoy's expenses to attend this very special program. Both Miss Lovejoy and Miss Shank are quite excited about having the opportunity to take part in this unique experience. If all goes well during this pilot project, it is hoped that the Space Academy and Space Camp programs will be open to hearing impaired students beginning the summer of 1988. Stay tuned in future newsletters for news from WVSD's very own space cadets! Until then, T-10 and counting!

SENIORS CONTINUE EDUCATION

Quickly graduation is approaching for the class of 1988. While graduation is always a much anticipated and joyous event, it can also cause fear and trepidation. Students in the class of 1988 have been making plans throughout the year for "after graduation" in an attempt to lessen anxiety. As a result of all of this planning, several students will be attending post secondary programs.

The following students will be entering Gallaudet University beginning in the fall of 1988: Winnia Cabbell, preparatory class; Robby Alt, freshman class; and Mike Hensley, preparatory class. Winnia will be majoring in elementary education, while Robby and Mike have not decided upon majors yet.

Lori Lockwood and Karen Booth will be attending a one year postsecondary enrichment program (P. E. P.) at Model Secondary School for the Deaf (MSSD) in Washington, D. C.. When they complete their studies at MSSD, both plan continue their studies by enrolling in college.

John Lott has elected to attend the Virginia Rehabilitation Center in Fishersville, VA majoring in electronic technology.

Tina Stump and Larry Cogar have been accepted at Tampa Technical Institute in Tampa, FL. Tina is interested in the commercial art program, while Larry is planning on majoring in computer engineering repair technology.

Jeff Wetzel plans to attend Mt. Aloysius College in Cresson, PA

majoring in computer technology. Two students, Scott Foster and Jesse Walker have elected to attend the WV Vocational Rehabilitative Center in Charleston. Once they become students at the center, they will choose career and vocational goals.

Scott Johnson and Sandra Waite will be returning to WVSD as postgraduates. Next year they will be the first participants in a newly designed postgraduate program at WVSD. The program will have a strong emphasis on development of language and reading skills, and mathematics skills including algebra.

Hats off ! to all the seniors who have worked diligently throughout the school year to develop career and vocational goals. Good luck to each of you as you enter into the next phase of your education.

HONOR ROLL SURPRISES

On April 18 students on the "B+" Honor Roll were treated to an ice cream sundae social in the cafeteria. A variety of ice cream and toppings were available and each student made a sundae they "liked it". Everyone had a fun "pigging out" on ice cream.

Students on the "A" Honor Roll were treated to pizza at Fox's Den on April 20. All had a good time munching on pizza and visiting. All that studying to make the Honor Roll sure must make people hungry, because on that day a world champion pizza eaters were in our midst.

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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SPECIAL OLYMPICS

On Monday, April 18 The Hampshire County Special Olympics Track and Field Games were held at Romney Junior High School. The students and staff of the SILSU unit participated in the games. Donald Jacobs, Christine DeWalt, Beverly Huffman, Tyrena Mangus, and Samuel Mellot represented our school well by winning ribbons in all of their events.

Students in the SILSU unit made a Special Olympics banner. Carrying their banner they joined Special Olympians from other schools in a parade through the streets of Romney. Proudly Beverly Huffman carried the "Olympic Torch" in the parade.

After the track and field events Mr. Adrian, Mrs. Boley, and Mrs. Davy ordered pizza for lunch. Although it rained for the events, all enjoyed the day and munching on pizza after a hard day's work.

THE TOTAL IMAGE

One of the mini-classes this nine weeks is the Total Image Mini-Class. Students in this class are studying fashion, hairstyles, make-up, proper diet, and exercise. As part of the class students participate in daily aerobics exercise, make and eat healthy snacks, have been learning about which colors and styles look best on them, and how to properly choose and apply make-up.

Recently class members Cathy Washer, Sandra Walls, Kim Hash, Tina Stump, Teresa Lovejoy, Winnia Cabbell, and Rhonda Graybeal traveled to Winchester, VA and Bunker Hill, WV with class sponsors Miss Mary Davis, Mrs. Shirley Davy, and Mrs. Joann Keister. In Winchester and Bunker Hill students toured various stores studying new fashion trends, trying on various outfits, and learning how styles and fashion influence our lives and personalities.

VICA TRAVELS TO LEESBURG, VA

On April 25 members of the V.I.C.A. Club (Vocational Industries Clubs of America) visited the National Captioning Institute in Leesburg, VA. While there students learned more about how films and television programs are captioned for the hearing impaired.

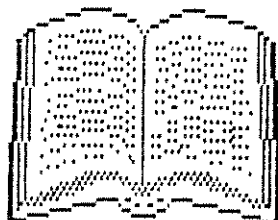
Students attending were as follows: John Burdette, Winnia Cabbell, Scottie Foster, Joey Lanham, Teresa Lovejoy, Darla Smith, Kenny Gifford, and Tom Blankenship. Sponsors participating were Mr. Pierre Sevigny, Mr. Hal Weingold, Mr. Robert Patton, Mr. John Deuel, and Mr. Ren Fuller.

SOCK HOP HELD

One, two, three, four were numbers often heard by students and staff as members of the Dance Class practiced their dance steps. Watching others dance looks easy, but learning to do the box step and the two step can be very challenging as many students in Mr. Linzey's and Mrs. Davy's dance class can tell you. After nine weeks of practicing the various steps, members Robyn Guzzi, Evonne Pendleton, Mark Burton, Scott Foster, Davy Bolen, Kim Hash, and Glenn Berry put on a demonstration for other students and staff.

After the demonstration all students and staff participated in an old-fashioned sock hop. During the sock hop old time favorites from the 50's and 60's were played. All enjoyed a little bit of nostalgia from the past.

HONOR ROLL



"A"

Robby Alt
Karen Booth
John Buck
Winnia Cabbell
Larry Cogar
Robyn Guzzi
Mike Hensley
Scott Johnson
Lori Lockwood
Teresa Lovejoy
Amy Mullins
Paul See
Cathy Washer
Jeff Wetzel

"B+"

Ronnie Epperly
Clermont Gilbert
Gale Gregory
Kim Hash
John Lott
Junior Tustin

"B"

Tom Blankenship
Mark Burton
Doris Criss
Roy Dolin
Kim Funk
Perry Henry
Jeff Jarvis
Joey Lanham
Michael Losh
Ernest Pack
Evonne Pendleton
Freddy Silva
Angela Stokes
Robyn Tackett
Jesse Walker
Sandra Walls
George Wilfong

3RD NINE WEEKS

DUAL SPORTS A SUCCESS?

It is difficult to write separate articles for basketball and wrestling, since basically the same group of boys played both sports for WVSD this season. The basketball team was the wrestling team, and vice-versa.

This year our athletes were given the opportunity to participate in both sports, and most of them did. The schedules for practice times, games, and matches were deftly juggled by Coach J. D. Corbin so that there were no conflicts. The boys never had to choose between one or the other -- in regular season, that is.

However, one serious conflict in the schedule could not be altered. The most prized post-season tournaments in each sport, the ESDAA Basketball Tournament in Fanwood, NY and the State Wrestling Tournament in Huntington, WV were scheduled for the same weekend.

At the beginning of the season, we simply deleted the State Wrestling Tournament from the schedule. After all, our school had not qualified a wrestler since 1954-55 when Jimmy Guzzi (7th grader Robyn's father) was two-time state champion. Of course, there was no wrestling for the deaf between the early 1960's until 1982, when Coach J. D. Corbin reintroduced the sport to the deaf in a combined effort with the already established, but ailing School for the Blind team. Besides, post-season tournaments seemed so out of reach and only the top four wrestlers in each region qualify for the state tournament. Our region has many wrestling "powerhouse" schools, and there are so many variables, so many "what if's". But as the season progressed, several wrestlers had been very successful and the thought of a state qualifier was looking very promising.

The overall dual meet record was 7-4, which evens up the overall win-loss record since 1982 to 34-34-2.

The post-season wrestling tournaments proved to be even better than expected. Team and individual finishes were the best ever. 1 In the Class A-AA Regional Tournament held at Kingwood, WV, Robby Alt and Clermont Gilbert placed 2nd, qualifying them for the State Tournament. Mike Hensley and Roy Dolin almost qualified, placing 5th. Trophies and medals were received for their efforts. Other wrestlers performed well, but did not place.

Coaches Ron Wolford and J. D. Corbin were honored by the other coaches with the Region II "Coach of the Year" plaque.

In the State Tournament, senior Robby Alt placed 7th, finishing this season with a 21-7 record. His overall career record at WVSD is 56-32. Freshman heavyweight Clermont Gilbert placed 9th in the State Tournament and completed his first varsity season with a fine 18-6-1 record.

Also graduating this year is captain Michael Hensley, who finished the season 15-7-1. Hensley's overall career record is 31-17-1.

FINAL BASKETBALL STATISTICS

	TOTAL POINTS	REBOUNDS
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MIKE HENSLEY	451	48
ROBBY ALT	130	108
ROY DOLIN	242	103
JOEY LANHAM	29	20
RON INGRAM	86	48
MARK BURTON	37	13
RONNIE EPPERLY	20	20
CLERMONT GILBERT	12	35
JOHN BURDETTE	0	1

FINAL INDIVIDUAL WRESTLING STATISTICS

	WON	LOST	DRAW
GEORGE WILFONG	0	2	-
TIMMIE BOSSIE	6	11	-
ERNEST PACK	6	9	-
KENNY KIDWELL	1	3	-
JOHN BUCK	2	11	-
RON INGRAM	8	13	-
MARK BURTON	0	2	-
JOEY LANHAM	7	7	-
PERRY HENRY	0	1	-
JERRY ELKINS	0	1	-
ROBBY ALT	21	7	-
MIKE HENSLEY	15	7	1
ROY GOLIN	14	11	-
CLERMONT SILBERT	18	6	1
TOM BLANKENSHIP	0	0	-
RONNIE EPPERLY	2	5	-
PAUL SEE	0	0	-

GIRLS' SOFTBALL

The girls' softball team has played 6 games so far, and although we've had no victories, the girls have played well and gained a lot of valuable experience. Some of the other teams and coaches have complimented our team on how much they have improved since last year.

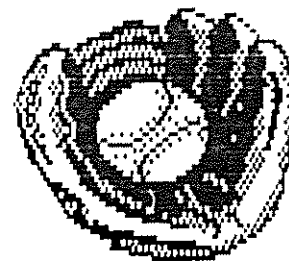
After each game the girls vote for the most valuable player, most enthusiastic player, and most improved player. At the end of the season the players with the most votes in each category will get trophies.

We have a great group of girls on our team - all try their best all of the time, and all are enthusiastic about playing softball.

GIRLS PLAY DOUBLEHEADER

On Saturday, April 23 the girls' softball team played a doubleheader at Hedgesville. The team lost the first game 12-2, but was coming on strong in the second game when it was stopped in the 4th inning. The game was stopped because Hedgesville had a game scheduled with another team. The score was Hedgesville 11 - WVSD 3. Karen Booth had two triples; Winni Cabbell stole home and scored; outfielders Tina Stump and Kim Has caught tough fly balls; pitcher Darla Smith had strikeouts and only two walks. The outstanding play of the game occurred when a Hedgesville slugger popped one over centerfielder Tina Stump's head. The batter thought she had a home run, but Tina hustled and relayed the ball to short stop Karen Booth, who fired the ball to catcher Evonne Pendleton. Evonne then tagged the runner out.

**A SALUTE TO
OUR HARD WORKING**



**GIRLS' AND BOYS'
BALL TEAMS !**

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Harkin's committee hears testimony on COED recommendations

The Subcommittee on the Handicapped (Education, Rehabilitation Developmental Disability) which comes under the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources held a hearing March 21 on the final report of the Commission on the Deaf, *Toward Equality: Education of the Deaf*.

Senator Harkin (D-IA), chairman of the subcommittee, has a deaf brother and has expressed a great deal of interest in deafness and other social issues. (See *The Endeavor*, November/December 1987, for additional information on Sen. Harkin.)

In addition to testimony from the chair of the Commission on the Education of the Deaf (COED), Frank Bowe, the subcommittee heard testimony from Madeline Will, assistant secretary for the Department of Education, and representatives of Gallaudet University, the National Institute for the Deaf, and the four regional programs. Presenters gave their testimony at the request of the subcommittee; requests from others such as the American Society for Deaf Children (ASDC) were rejected.

In the afternoon, COED held a press conference in the Senate subcommittee room. In cooperation with the COED staff, several ASDC parents and their deaf children were available to speak to the press on the positions of parents and deaf children. On hand were ASDC's president Alice Kennedy and her six-year-old son Matthew; Kelby Brick, 16, MSSD junior and son of ASDC board member, Larry Brick; Brad Houck, 16, a mainstreamed student in Montgomery Co., MD; Amanda Lilly, 9, student at the Maryland School for the Deaf; and Cliff and Nancy Rowley and their 15 year-old daughter Amy. Cliff and Nancy are also deaf.

That evening, COR (Council of Organizational Representatives, a coalition of advocacy groups serving deaf people) hosted a reception for members of Congress and others who have supported the commission.

The Commission on the Education of the Deaf was established by the Education of the Deaf Act of 1986 to study the quality of education of deaf persons, and to make a report of its finding and recommendations to the Congress and the President of the United States. This represents the first time in history that a commission has been established by the Congress for such a purpose.

Major highlights of the report's findings and recommendations include:

- Many children who are deaf are not receiving special educational and related services appropriate to their unique needs despite the Education of the Handicapped Act, P.L. 94-142. The COMMISSION RECOMMENDS that the Department of Education provide guidelines to state and local educational agencies (SEA & LEA) to ensure that educational needs of a particular child be taken into account in placement decisions;
- The least restrictive environment (LRE) concept has not been appropriately applied by federal, SEAs and LEAs for many children who are deaf; the COMMISSION RECOMMENDS the Department of Education emphasize appropriateness over LRE;
- The current four regional postsecondary education programs for the deaf are too limited; the COMMISSION RECOMMENDS far more federal support and a fifth regional program;
- Approximately 100,000 deaf Americans do not qualify for postsecondary education and receive few services for their needs; the COMMISSION RECOMMENDS a comprehensive service center be established in each of the 10 federal regions to serve this population;
- Television captioning has not been provided to the fullest extent; the COMMISSION RECOMMENDS that Congress mandates the Federal Communications Commission issue regulations for increased captioning;

- Lack of professional standards and training programs for teachers, educational interpreters, and rehabilitation specialists in deafness adversely affects the quality of services. THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDS the Department of Education should push for the development of standards and training programs for these professionals;

- There is insufficient competition for research dollars in deafness and a need exists to enhance the quality of such research. The COMMISSION RECOMMENDS that Congress establish a National Center on deafness research within Gallaudet University and a significant portion of research funds be awarded competitively to other qualified research institutions; and

- Deaf persons are underrepresented on the governing boards of the federally supported institutions for deaf students; the COMMISSION RECOMMENDS at least 51 percent of the persons serving on these boards be deaf.

It will be several months before the subcommittee proposes legislation based on the recommendations. The Department of Education will also be at work drafting regulations based on the recommendations. The House Committee on Education and Labor Subcommittee on Select Education (Education, Rehabilitation, Child Abuse), chaired by Rep. Major Owens (D-NY), has not set a COED hearing date.

It is extremely important for parents of deaf children, deaf people and other friends to write to their Congressman and the Department of Education in support of these recommendations to ensure that they don't die.

State tourney 'a dream to deaf wrestlers

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By **KELLY P. KISSEL**

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It wouldn't be fair to describe Robbie Alt and Clermont Gilbert as just "handicapped athletes." And it wouldn't be wise to take their accomplishments lightly.

The duo from the West Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind have advanced to the state wrestling championship tournament after taking second place at their regional tournament in Kingwood.

"We haven't had anyone (in the state tournament) since, I guess, the 1950s," said their coach, J.D. Corbin.

Gilbert, 17-4-1, is deaf and Alt,

■ GRAPPLERS

The West Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind has two wrestlers competing in the state tournament.

19-5, is almost so — but during meets in a crowded gymnasium it doesn't matter.

"When they get on a mat, they know what to do," Corbin said.

That helps, he said, because it's tough to use sign language to communicate with a deaf wrestler once a match begins.

"The most difficult thing is get-

ting them instructions on the mat," Corbin said. "At the regional tournament, many coaches were up talking their boys through the match.

"If our boys had a chance to look up, I could communicate with them, but usually during a match they'll get just a glance."

Therefore, almost all instruction must be done ahead of time, and his wrestlers must already know how to work in a given situation before taking the mat, he said.

"We try to get the job done in the practice room," said Corbin, who also coaches blind wrestlers and who has never coached wrestlers who aren't handicapped.

Corbin began coaching deaf wrestlers in 1981, when the West Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind resumed its program. He also coaches baseball and, temporarily, basketball.

"We took our licks for a lot of years. Last year, I think we won two matches in the regional. This year, we won something like 15," he said.

The deaf and blind school had 11 wrestlers in the 13 weight divisions, the first time the school has had nearly full representation in recent years, Corbin said.

Bill Archer, the wrestling coach at Huntington High School and the host for Thursday-through-Saturday's state meet, said handicapped wrestlers sometimes "handicap" those they face.

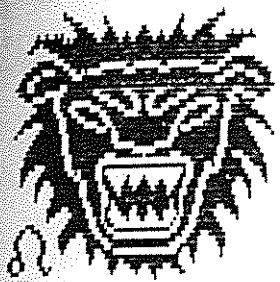
"For blind wrestlers, in all honesty, it's a bit disadvantaged for a sighted person," Archer said, adding that tradition suggests that wrestlers stay in contact with each other throughout a match. The disadvantage is especially true if one "if you're used to starting away from the other guy."

"There's also a psychological aspect of it — I mean, you're wrestling a kid who's blind," Archer said.

Alt, a senior, is wrestling this year at 160 pounds. Gilbert, a freshman, is wrestling in the heavyweight division.

Both wrestlers also are on the school's basketball team and will miss a trip to New York City this week to participate in a deaf school tournament. Both, and two others who placed one position behind the state tournament qualifiers, prefer the trip to Huntington.

"They seem to be just thrilled to have that opportunity," Corbin said. "The state tournament seems like a dream to them."



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