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Prom problems resolved

By Barbara Creadon
Staff Writer

With the completion of another school year approaching, seniors are once again looking forward to their prom.

After much controversy concerning the date and location, this year's Northeast High School senior prom is scheduled for Saturday, April 25. The dance will take place at the Hilton Towers in downtown St. Petersburg and will begin promptly at 7 p.m.

Tickets are scheduled to go on sale Monday, March 30, through Thursday, April 9. The cost will be \$30 per person. The entire faculty is invited to attend the dance, and some faculty members will be asked to join the seniors for dinner.

The 1987 prom was originally scheduled for Saturday, May 9, and the dance was to take place at the Holiday Inn Surfside on Clearwater Beach. Due to a discrepancy in the contract, which was no fault of the school or prom committee, the plans had to be changed.

Edna Lucas, the faculty chairperson, supports the new location with the

assurance that "the hotel is absolutely lovely and the lobby is very elegant."

The Hilton Towers, which was originally the Concourse, has just completed a total renovation of the building. "They have just gutted the whole building and even rewired the entire thing," Lucas said.

A. B. Windham, prom sponsor, is "really looking forward to a good prom." The senior class chairperson, Amy Adcock, assures prom-goers that 1987's senior prom is "better organized" than last year's prom, which was at Las Fontanas Restaurant. "It's in a new place and it will be a lot more fun because we're a better class," Adcock said.

Also assisting in the organization of the senior prom are Janice Grandmason, invitations; Barbara Creadon, programs; Lisa Counts, decorations; Adcock and Lisa Gaylord, band; Lisa Critz, menu; Gaylord, tickets; Mandy Fowler, theme song; and Linda Taylor, artwork.

This year's prom theme is "Together forever, the class of '87." The theme song for this year's prom was voted upon earlier in the year, and "Forever," by Kenny Loggins, was chosen.



Photo by Scott MacFarlane

Queen for a night

The 1987 prom fashion show was held on Friday, March 13 in the Media Center. This year's hits include ruffles, sweetheart necklines, sequines, and gold and silver lame. This gown, modeled by Melissa Boyd, was provided by CC's Bridal Boutique.

Decorations will be prepared by St. Petersburg Vocational Technical Institute. The arrangements will be red and silver, this year's prom colors.

A specially designed champagne glass will be given to each senior as a souvenir. "Encounter" will be the live band play-

ing at this year's senior prom. Students wishing to request a specific song are asked to notify Lucas or Adcock.

Tickets, programs and pictures for the 1987 prom will be done by Maddock's. The photographers ask that photos be paid for at the time they are taken.

Curriculum changes for fall

By Jeff Allen
Staff Writer

Several new and/or revised courses will be offered at NEHI next fall.

"Basically, we've always had these available, but we didn't have enough students sign up for them," Jim Scott, the school registrar said.

The new courses are:

Mass Media: Students study various types of mass media by analyzing the purposes, content and techniques of media productions.

Literature and the Arts: This is the "old" humanity course brought back. Students will study the meaning of literature, art, music and philosophy.

Health Education 2-Personal Health: Students study personal health in depth and learn health activities to promote wellness.

Advanced Placement Chemistry: Provides students with college level chemistry. This course must be accompanied by a course in research.

Space, Technology and Engineering: Students study the complexity of technological problems and methods to solve them.

Business Computer Application: Designed to develop entry-level skills for computer related occupations.

Fitness Lifestyle Design: Students are provided with opportunities to extend the acquisition of knowledge of physical fitness concepts, developing a personal fitness program and develop an optimal level of personal fitness.

Aerobics: Students are provided with opportunities to develop an optimal level of cardiovascular fitness, acquire knowledge of cardiovascular fitness concepts and the importance of good cardiovascular fitness.

Beginning Swimming: Students are provided with opportunities to acquire knowledge and skills in swimming and safety practices.

Water Safety: Students are provided with opportunities to acquire knowledge and skills in water safety activities.

Basketball: Students are provided with opportunities to acquire knowledge and

skills in basketball.

Softball: Students are provided with opportunities to acquire knowledge and skills in softball.

Fabrics/Fibers: This course gives students a basic understanding of the design and function of fabric. Students will develop basic skills in silk painting, silk screen on fabric and weaving.

Personal and Family Finance: Students develop decision making and resource management skills. They also learn concepts in consumer rights, budgeting, insurance, credit, contents and personal finances.

Principles of Food Preparation: Students learn to select, prepare and store foods. They also learn how to work with kitchen tools, equipment and materials.

Principle of Clothing Construction: Students learn to use and care for fabrics and textiles, understand consumer protection laws relating to clothing, use commercial patterns and care for a sewing machine.

so what? What's wrong with having 30 excellent students?," Zachary said.

According to Diane Duke, NEHI's 12th grade guidance counselor, both the first-ranked and second-ranked seniors at NEHI have been affected equally by the county's computer error. "The problem is that the county makes one rule one year about something and then the next year they change it without even asking the high schools what they think should be done," said Duke. "So far, Northeast is about the only school that hasn't had a problem with valedictorians and salutatorians...It's too bad that they're (the county) like that because it's the students who suffer the most."

Honors program under fire

By Dawn Reed
Staff Writer

In past years, problems have arisen in Pinellas County high schools about who would be valedictorian and salutatorian and how the honorees would be determined. Last year a Seminole High School senior had an honors point from a band class taken away, so he could not be valedictorian. This year St. Petersburg High senior Paula McCurdy thought she had tied for valedictorian honors. She recently learned that the half-point she received from a ninth grade ELP (Enhanced Learning Program) social studies course was taken away from her.

According to the St. Petersburg Times, school officials said that the credit was never due and that a county computer made an error.

When asked about the problem, NEHI principal Tom Zachary said, "Some schools are different from others when it comes to honors classes. The county thinks it should be the same everywhere." Zachary's solution would be to "do away with honors classes." Instead of students taking a class just for the honors point, Zachary said that they should take a class that will be worthy of them. That way everyone's GPA would be based on a 4-point "A."

"If there are 30 kids in the top position,

Senior 'supers'

Each year the senior class picks its superlatives for the *Viking Log*. In past years, names could appear more than once on the list. This year, however, rules were changed so that a name could be used only once. Here are the senior superlatives for the class of 1987:

Class Clown: Wesley Mudd and Tammy Brophy
Class Taxicab: Bill Cooper and Carrie Carson

Nicest Smile: Pierre Stevenson and Paige Curtis

Best Personality: Adam Carr and Mandy Fowler

Biggest Chowhound: Jim Bekas and Paula Scarpino

Most Spirited: Curtis Peters and Amy Alexander

Class Daydreamer: Rob Dwyre and Lisa Gaylord

Best Dressed: Carles Byrd and Lisa Ammon

Funniest: Mike DiBenidetto and Jennifer Liebert

Most Athletic: Derrick Golden and Amy Adcock

All-American: Mike Macaluso and Lisa Counts

Nicest Legs: Jon Paul Martin and Linda Sharer

Cutest Couple: Rodney Nelson and Grace Victor

Nicest Eyes: Brett Moyers and Lynne Priddy

Fastest Talker: Andy Safko and Jill Anthony

Most Outgoing: Jim Miller and Kinnan Johnston

Most Attractive: Chris O'Shea and Terri Kilburn

Most Likely to:

Succeed: Chris Skey and Linda Donelan

Be Late to Wedding: Ray Novak and Barbara Willits

Become President: Art Mendenhall and Leslie Ulman

Nor'easter asks for your support

The past two editions of the *Nor'easter* consisted of only six pages and we have been receiving a lot of criticism due to the size of the paper. We feel that we should explain our situation to avoid further criticism and misunderstandings.

The first point we'd like to address is the cost of the paper. The *Nor'easter*, as stated in our editorial policy below, is a non-profit, self-supporting paper. Unlike athletics, the *Nor'easter* is not subsidized by the school. That is, we do not receive any money from the school board to help print the paper or buy supplies for production.

As for printing a page, it costs \$376 to print a six-page paper, \$429 to print an eight-page paper and \$577 to print a 12-page paper. (Please note that this year we comparison-shopped to find the cheapest rates.) Added onto this cost is \$60 an edition for the traditional red banner and \$4 per photo and/or editorial cartoon. The *Nor'easter* averages only \$387 in ad sales and \$150 in paper sales per edition.

Another problem for the *Nor'easter* is that this year we started \$900 in the hole. The reason for this is that in past years, the *Nor'easter* was permitted to print eight pages despite not having the ad sales to cover the printing. This year the NEHI administration no longer allows us to do this and we can only print what we make in ad sales. We have managed to bring the deficit figure down to \$600 but we have yet to break into the black.

An additional disadvantage of the *Nor'easter* is the size of our staff. We only have 17 staffers, which puts a lot of work on each staffer. This year we have also been bounced around. We no longer have a permanent room or phone. Without this consistency, we lose advertisers because they do not reach us or the messages are scrambled. We have lost approximately \$250 per edition this year in advertising, because of various reasons, in comparison to income in past years.

We have also been asked by students and teachers why a particular article or photo does not get in the paper. In order to prepare for unexpected mishaps, we must set more stories in type than we can use so that we won't be left with a hole that needs to be filled. So, many stories do not make it in the paper. If we could produce a larger paper, as we would like, we could use more stories and photos and cover more of the clubs, sports and other activities.

We are not making excuses. We are human and do make mistakes when rushing to make deadlines. However, the *Nor'easter* is one of the best papers in the county in journalistic style and writing. We do not have glossy paper or color photos because the car dealerships and other big businesses do not advertise with us as they do in other high school papers. We have tried to interest the big advertisers, but we're not, according to them, in their high sales area.

If you would like to see a better paper, you can help. If every student and teacher would buy regularly, the *Nor'easter* could make \$600 an edition. If students would support our advertisers, mention the *Nor'easter* by name and clip coupons, the advertisers will be more willing to advertise again. If students and teachers would buy classified ads, we could increase our ad sales. Also, by taking the *Nor'easter* home to parents, we increase their interest and support. They might, in turn, advertise with us.

The *Nor'easter* will continue to strive for excellence but it will take both student and faculty support to make it a larger and better paper.

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Spring break fun



As spring rolls in, students have an excuse for yet another vacation, "spring break."

Spring is quickly approaching, and aren't we relieved! That means a whole week of sunshine, sunburn and, for those who are lucky, that envious tropical tan!

For Florida, spring break means thousands of high school and college students invading every recreational facility available, particularly the beaches.

Not only native Floridians will be on the surf and turf but many out-of-staters will be invading Florida, anticipating the warmth of Florida's sunshine.

On every spring breaker's mind will be three potential goals: to catch some rays, to meet new people and to have the maximum amount of fun one person can possibly have.

Because Florida is a peninsula, surrounded on three sides by water, its beaches and ideal

climate attract those from northern states. Our beaches are clean and inviting, and there are so many to choose from.

This year, Clearwater Beach has attracted many students on spring break. Weekends mean bumper to bumper traffic on the streets. The beaches are simply the place to be. Bodies of sun worshippers litter the beaches every day from mid-March to late April.

Some Northeast students, when asked what their plans for spring break were, replied with answers centering on the beach. It seems as if many if us are going to see a great deal of each other over spring break!

Senior Janice Grandmason said that she plans to "spend a day or two at Clearwater Beach and maybe some time in Daytona." Sophomore Angie Burton plans on "sleeping in," a luxury for students who normally have to wake up early and get to

first period before the tardy bell rings.

Some students are planning to visit relatives or vacation out of state. Junior Adam Ginsberg said, "I plan to go to California," and freshman Melissa Hyde is going to Virginia. "I don't want to go to Fort Lauderdale," said Hyde, "because of all the crowds and problems."

Despite those that believe the beaches will be too crowded, or that spring break means more problems, we feel that this spring break will be one of the best ever.

We don't want to throw cold water on your vacation plans, but we would like to pass a word of caution. The vacationers from the north are multiplying our traffic problems and there will be ample opportunities for swimming, boating and other accidents of all kinds. We want to see you here on April 20, so please don't let spring break, break you.

Senioritis: is there a cure?

If senioritis was defined by Webster in his trusted dictionary (a thing many seniors have forgotten), he might define it as the symptoms of laziness or relief one has in his final year of public schooling. To some this disease might have taken affect as soon as their parents entered then in high school. But most feel it at the time of their senior year where "FAILtality" rates occur.

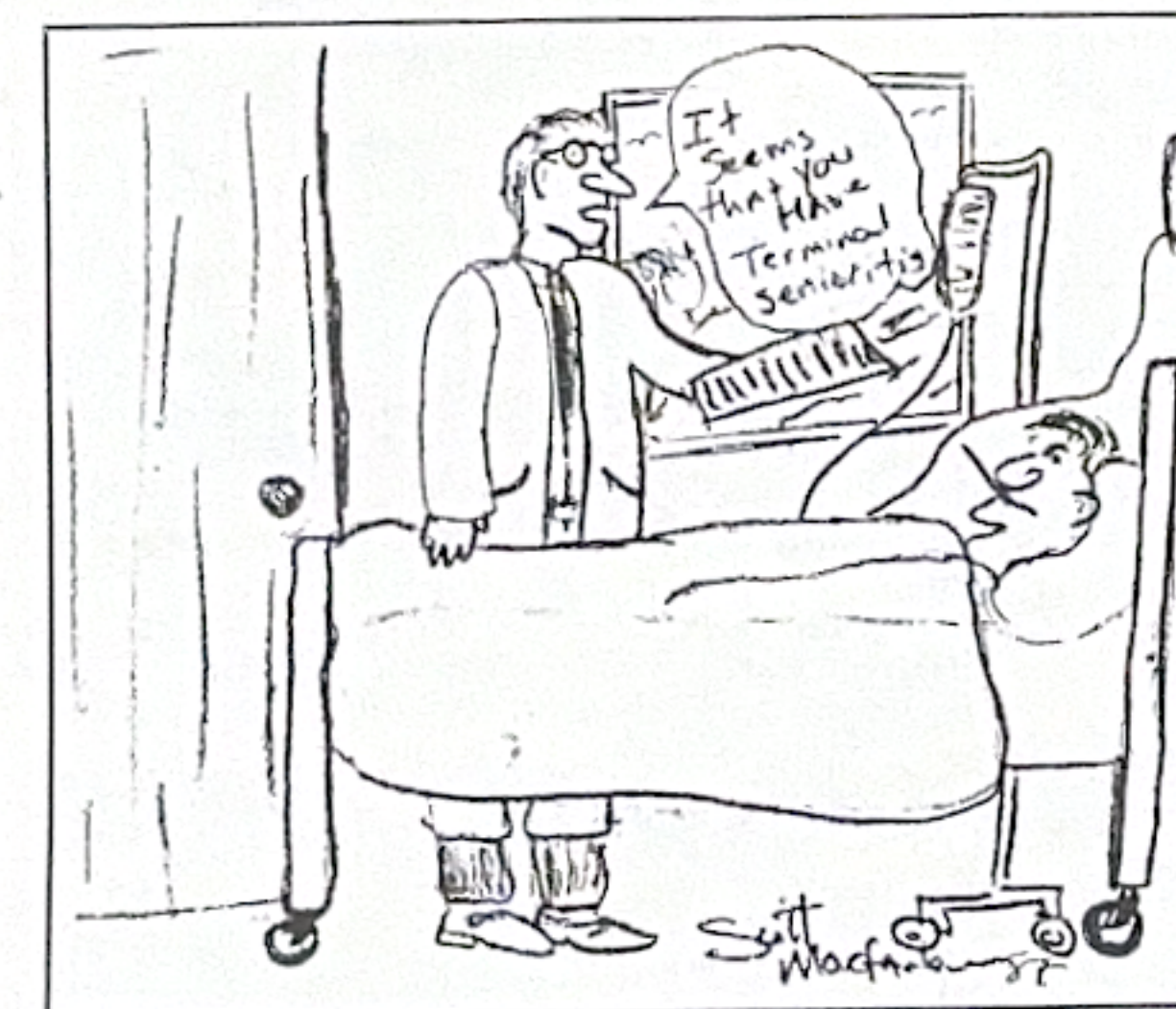
As George Chiariello puts it, "I've had senioritis since the second grade. It's going to be tough struggle just to graduate."

What are the specific symptoms of senioritis? Most seniors develop an attitude that they don't care about school anymore or only care enough to graduate. The seniors begin to take more "beach days" or, should we say, stay home to recuperate from this terrible sickness.

"It gets tougher every day to wake up and make it to school. The tougher part is doing your homework," stated senior Shannon Powell.

When you mention this unknown word called "homework," many seniors might stare at you in disbelief of just simply laugh at your amusing little joke.

We're not saying every senior



is affected by this disease that has become more prevalent than the common cold. There are still those select people who will always love school, although we think they have become an almost extinct species.

Senioritis occurs at a time in which the senior has important decisions to make. So to compensate for it many seniors decide to "take a year off" before hitting the real world. Somehow, the

seniors of previous years have managed to overcome this terrible disease. Can the class of '87?

Although there has been no cure for it, there is still hope that many seniors will outgrow it by the end of the year. For those underclassmen who have already caught senioritis, you will find the next years to go gruelling slow. For those of you who have not been struck, be grateful, because it's a real pain.

Viking Views

Just around the corner is the vacation that every student is looking forward to. No, it's not for the summer, but for the spring! What plans do you have for this spring break?

NO PIX AVAILABLE

Tina Hetrick; grade 9: "What do us Floridians usually do? Lay out at the beach of course!!"

Rod Johnson; grade 12: "Daytona is the happening spot this year. The scene is a lot more easygoing and there are fewer cops. Lauderdale is lame this year Don't go!!"

NO PIX AVAILABLE

Chris Sweet; grade 10: "I plan to get a hotel room in Clearwater Beach for the week, and get a killer tan, and party."

Donald Bowers; grade 12: "I'm planning to shoot down to Daytona Beach and chill with the females!!"



Mark Muncy; grade 10: "To go to Duke University and attend a seminar on parapsychology given by Hans Holzer. Then it's off to Hawaii for Playboy Inc's stockholders' meeting."

NO PIX AVAILABLE

Melanie Yager; grade 11: "I plan to do a little of everything. Ya' know - a little here, a little there!!"

NO PIX AVAILABLE

John Billera; grade 12: "Probably go to bed late, sleep late and hit the lounge chair at the pool."

Julie Nelson; grade 10: "No comment."

NO PIX AVAILABLE



Dan McCaslin; grade 11: "Unless someone wants to donate some 'cold cash,' it looks like I'll be staying in St. Pete as usual. But I will make the best of it, I'm sure."

By Barbara Creadon
Staff Writer

Seniors walk soon

By Cathy Footlick
Associate Editor

Seniors started getting ready for graduation around November when they paid for their caps, gowns and announcements. Now that the time is coming closer, more definite plans are being made.

Graduation exercises will take place at the Bayfront Arena on June 4 at 11:30 a.m. for approximately 450 NEHI seniors.

To graduate, seniors must have the larger amount of 25 credits, pass the state assessment test taken in 10th grade, have no fines or obligations to fulfill and

have at least a 1.5 grade point average.

Although plans for graduation are still being made, some projects are under way. The seniors who were eligible and interested in being the class speaker of '87, turned in their forms and were judged on activities they are involved in, grade, and the content of the speech on March 30.

A contest for art work will be judged on April 3. The first place entry will be used as the cover of the graduation programs. The second place entry will decorate the cover for senior breakfast menu.

The chairperson in charge of the graduation committee is

Karen Defelice, who will be working with Joan Vernotry, to organize and make graduation a memorable experience for all the seniors and their parents. Defelice will be meeting with the graduation committee to choose the entertainment and other arrangements.

This year's senior will find one difference in graduation exercises this year. The Bayfront theater is under construction and the usual line up for graduation will have to be altered. However, plans are being put into motion to have NEHI's 1987 graduates walking down the Bayfront Arena's aisles with diploma in hand.

NEHI competes in walkathon

By Barbara Creadon
Staff Writer

Thomas Robbins, the admissions director of Greenbrook Nursing Center and a member of the St. Pete Rotary Club, has been organizing a "walk-a-thon" in the hope of raising funds to help fight the crippling disease, Muscular Dystrophy.

The walk-a-thon is scheduled for May 17 and will begin at 9 a.m. in Vinoy Park.

The walk-a-thon will be a contest between Northeast and Dixie Hollins High School. Representing Northeast will be the Rojans and brother club Interact. Any other students wishing to participate are welcome and encouraged to help. Representing Dixie Hollins will be the Inter-Counsel Committee which is a combination of all the school's clubs.

The main objective of the walk-a-thon is to raise money for Muscular Dystrophy, a crippling disease characterized by wasting of the muscles. It is also a contest to determine which school has the ability to raise the most pledges and walk the most miles. The winning school will receive \$1,000, in which case, if Northeast wins, half would go to Rojans and half would go to Interact.

The student who raises the most pledges and walks the most miles will appear on television Labor Day weekend with a resident of the nursing home. Together they will donate the funds raised for the research and fight of Muscular Dystrophy.

The original plan was a walk-a-thon between Northeast's Rojan and Interact clubs and St. Petersburg High School's Rojan and Interact clubs. But, accor-

ding to Robbins, St. Pete's clubs are simply "too busy at this time" to participate in this event.

"We need to collect this money to continue research. It's for a worthy cause and it means a lot," said Robbins. Robbins realizes that many students are busy with approaching activities such as prom and graduation, but "think of those kids who won't even be graduating from high school."

Robbins is "counting on Rojans and Interact to get the rest of the school motivated," and to participate in the event.

Robbins is hoping to convince McDonald's and Burger King to donate food and beverages for the walk-a-thon.

On April 3, this year's poster child for Muscular Dystrophy will be visiting the Interact club here at Northeast.

Prom confusion cleared up

This year's senior prom has been the center of much controversy and gossip. Students, teachers, the Pinellas County School Board and the Holiday Inn Surfside in Clearwater Beach have all been blamed. But who is really to blame for the confusion and rescheduling of the prom?

In September, senior class advisor Edna Lucas and senior class members started working on the preparations for this year's prom. Shortly after homecoming, they had chosen the meal, the place and all other elements necessary to fill out the form for school board permission for an off campus dance. However, it was at this time that they found a new form had been introduced.

This form is set up to protect the school board from the problems of upset vendors due to cancellations of off-campus proms. According to a memo by Director of Fixed Assets Jim Miller, a meeting was held with high school principals to discuss the various items needed on this form. Such things as tax, meal costs, gratuity and refunds were discussed.

There were several reasons that our contract was not accepted. First the Holiday Inn's gratuity was 16 percent while the board only allowed for 15. Secondly, the quoted meal price was honored only 60 days prior to prom rather than the 120 proposed by the school board. Lastly, and perhaps most importantly, the school board insisted that if

NEHI cancelled 30 days prior to the event we should receive a full refund. Holiday Inn would not agree, saying that the deposit was non-refundable.

The other disagreements were worked out, but the cancellation clause was not. Thus the rescheduling of prom occurred.

Lucas said, "We've never had to deal with the cancellation form before this year. This new form is very, very complicated."

Lucas also said, "I told Janet Sussman (the chairperson at the Holiday Inn) that there was no way we were going to cancel. She said that if we weren't going to cancel, then we didn't need to have the cancellation clause. She maintained that they couldn't fill the room in 30 days."

Neither the school board nor the hotel would compromise. Thus, the prom had to be rescheduled to the St. Petersburg Hilton and Towers in downtown St. Pete on April 25.

According to Miller's office, Northeast is the only school to have problems with the new contract. The blame for the problems is not the fault of any person at Northeast High School. In fact, this year's prom was probably better organized than those in past years. If the prom committee had waited longer to get approval, we probably wouldn't have had the time to relocate.

Having the prom downtown probably works out better, anyway. Its location allows for

more students to find transportation to prom. It also allows students renting limos to save money because they won't need the limos as long because the ride will be shorter.

Also, the Hilton has just undergone massive renovations. Our prom will be one of the first functions held there after its opening. Therefore, it should be exciting, as no one has attended a function there before. We, the class of '87, will be trendsetters.

According to Lucas, the management of the Hilton has been much more supportive and nice than that of the Holiday Inn. They are anxious to have Northeast's prom this year and in future years.

The prom committee should be commended in its efforts to make this year's prom one of the best ever. Despite all the problems, the committee has pulled it off thus far.

Lucas added that the chairperson at the Hilton was shocked to see the new form. The Hilton management said that Lakewood High School had their prom approved before the new form was in effect, thus avoiding this confusion.

Lucas said, "Northeast has never stayed at the same place for prom. If we did it would probably eliminate these kinds of problems."

Presently the junior class is taking note and working on prom now to avoid any problems that may arise next year.

Children have a ball at NEHI

By Lana Chiariello
Feature's Editor

"It's a real pre-kindergarten," said Edna Pike, one of the directors of Northeast's pre-school, which is part of the home economics department program.

Pike described the program accurately. It is a real pre-kindergarten, fully equipped with more toys and art supplies than any child could hope for.

Three mornings a week, 22 children are released into the

hands of Northeast students promptly at 9 a.m. These students basically run the pre-school. They work in teams and rotate jobs.

One of the many jobs to be done is teaching the youngsters. The students make a lesson plan for the children, which is followed each day. One unique feature in the program is the Apple computer, which is supplied by NEHI. The children work on and learn about the computer daily.

Other jobs performed by

students include running the playground and preparing snacks in the kitchen for the children.

The class is a wage-earning class where students can be placed in jobs because of their hands-on experience.

"The parents who bring their kids here are paying a token amount for the service they get," Pike said.

The money from the parents goes into a fund for buying art supplies, food and other essentials for the program.



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'Teacher Terrifics' Vote Vote Vote

Just for fun, let's rate our teachers in some of the same categories as are used in the traditional "senior superlatives." Vote on this ballot, cut it out and turn it in by April 9 to any Nor'easter staff (list on page 2) or in the box which our staffers will have outside the cafeteria all three lunches on April 8 and 9. Results will be announced in the May issue of the Nor'easter. DO NOT PLACE ANY TEACHER'S NAME IN MORE THAN ONE SPACE.

CATEGORY	MALE	FEMALE
Nicest smile		
Best personality		
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Best dressed		
Best sense of humor		
Nicest legs		
Nicest eyes		
Fastest talker		
Most outgoing		
Most attractive		
Most demanding		
Most creative		
Funniest		

New teachers highlighted

By Karole Kassey
Staff Writer

This story is a continuation from last month's article on the new teachers here at NEHI. Last issue we told you about nine of those teachers and this month we will feature five teachers.

Clarissa Hucknall, a math and English teacher in the special education department, came to NEHI after transferring from Safety Harbor Student Center. Hucknall graduated from NEHI 10 years ago and found that the atmosphere hasn't changed very much in that time.

Catherine Landstra teaches ESOL at NEHI first and second periods, then teaches at St. Pete High for periods 4-10.

She began teaching here because of NEHI's growing ESOL program. She holds a BA in Spanish education and ESOL from Albion College.

"I'm very interested in foreign languages. I enjoy working with people who speak other languages. It's very rewarding," Landstra said.

Alice Prendergast came to NEHI from St. Pete High because of the ESOL program here.

Prendergast has a BS degree from Cortland State University and a French degree from Université de Neuchâtel in Switzerland.

Her greatest reward from teaching is when students have learned enough English to "tell me about themselves," she said.

Jackie Williams teaches English I at Northeast. She moved to the area after her husband was transferred.

Her reaction to NEHI is that she is very much impressed with the campus and the outstanding English Department.

Sandy Williams came to Northeast after moving to the area from Chicago. She finds NEHI to be a good school, with terrific faculty and students.

A native of Iowa, Williams holds a BA in speech/english/journalism. She was the editor of a daily newspaper in Iowa for 12 years and assistant editor of a travel magazine based in Chicago for two years before moving to Florida.

Williams teaches Journalism I and freshman English classes in addition to Journalism II, the Nor'easter class.

Melinda Suarez, compensatory writing and freshman composition teacher, came to NEHI after teaching at Shorecrest.

She holds a BA from the University of Florida.

Julie Duffey, Art 2-D and 3-D.

Denise Finkbinder, pre-algebra, Algebra I, and geometry.

Gwendolyn Wrubel teaches child development and child care.

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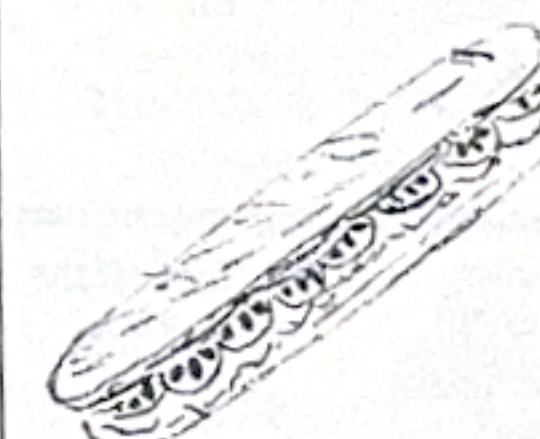


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Club News

Interact

The 1987-88 Interact club Executive officers are as follows: president, Brian Everhart; vice president, Kevin Fredericks; secretary, Brian Murphy; treasurer, Trey Bond. All of the above officers will be seniors next year.

SHS

Fifteen new students were inducted into the Spanish Honor Society on March 12, during a candlelight ceremony.

Aixa Ruch and Polly Serbanos, the faculty advisors of the club, "are very proud of the members who have joined," Serbanos said. The Spanish Honor Society's goal is to promote a continuing interest in Hispanic studies and international understanding.

The following is a list of the members in alphabetical order: Marci Bycynski, Laurie Chapman, Teresa Corcos, Melissa Cortez, DeDe Driver, Lisa Gaylord, Cheri Hurt, Andrea Laosa, David Nilsen, Kelly Paul, Kelly Randall, Angels Reinhardt, Yvnette Stewart, Thutram Tran, and Melissa Zipse.

SADD

SADD - Students Against Drunk Driving - will have distributed a packet on March 27 for the week of prom. This packet will have included NEHI bumper sticker and two merchant saver cards that have discounts up to \$30. SADD also will have a drawing from the contracts for drunk driving that are returned on April 9. First prize will be a limousine from 7:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. on prom night. Second prize is dinner for two at the 94th Aero Squadron and third prize will be dinner at the Wine Cellar.

NHS

The National Honor Society's elections for next year's officers

were on Monday, March 16. Jodi Rhinehart was elected president; Alan Delsell, vice president; Lisa Smith, recording secretary; Todd Yost, treasurer; Audrey Zahn, corresponding secretary and Cassie Silva and Carol Mott were appointed historians.

HOSA

This year at NEHI a new club, HOSA, has been organized. HOSA (Health Occupation Students of America), is also being added to schools all over Pinellas County.

"Right now, there are only four schools that have this club," said advisor Mary McLaughlin.

The club has not yet become as active as they would like, McLaughlin said. "We are very excited to get HOSA going, but we are still learning the basics of the (nation-wide) club."

"When HOSA becomes more active, members will participate in state and possibly even national competitions," McLaughlin said.

Most of the students who have joined HOSA are enrolled in health occupation classes. They usually work part time in a related health occupation office such as dental offices, hospitals, nursing homes and veterinary offices.

The club is composed of 18 members. Officers are: Keller Green, president; Dayna West, vice president; Elaine Koch, treasurer; Tequila Brown, secretary and Eddie Diaz, historian.

Hush Day

The second SGA-sponsored "Hush Day" was held on March 17, St. Patrick's Day. Each boy in the school was given a paper shamrock to wear on his shirt. If he talked to a girl between classes or at lunch throughout the day, he was required to give her his shamrock. The girl who had the most shamrocks at the end of the day was Jackie Tinson.



Russell Yates and chorus portray Marryin' Sam and the "Dogpatchers" while singing Jubilation T. Compone in the spring drama production Li'l Abner. Photo by Scott MacFarlane

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on April 9

The sophomore class also sold stuffed Easter bunnies, a bunny for your honey, which will be delivered the same day.

The two sales were actually a joint sale between the two classes in which the profits will be divided in half.

Career Day

March 17 was Career Day at Northeast High School. The project was held during second and third periods with the help of the St. Petersburg Chamber of Commerce and the Gateway Rotary Club. Juniors and seniors attended.

Career Day is designed to expose students to a variety of careers to help them develop ideas for their futures. Fifty-four speakers dealing with their own professions were involved in the project.

Media Center

Many new books are now arriving and are ready for student check-out. Students should also take advantage of the media center being open on Tuesdays and Wednesday evening, from 6:30 to 9:30.

Students of Month

Last month's Gateway Rotary Students of the Month were Mike Smith and Dale Brewster Smith is the president of the National Honor Society and a member of the Varsity football and soccer teams. Brewster won the regional P.R.I.D.E. award and represented Pinellas County in the state competition.

Band

Recently, the Viking band members participated in a district concert festival. For the first time in many years, the band received straight "superior" ratings. Also, David McCullough earned a superior rating for student conducting.



Photo by Jackie Oxendine
Jackie Tenson was announced NEHI's "Most Irresistible Girl."

Baseball ranks first in PCC

By Linda Donelan
Editor-in-Chief

After losing their season opener to Dixie Hollins, Northeast's baseball team is doing better than expected as they continue to beat the tough teams in the Pinellas County Conference (PCC). The Vikings, with a record of 10-2, were ranked as high as 8th in the state prep polls for 4-A ball.

The Vikings were ranked first in the PCC with a 6-0 record after beating Dunedin. According to junior David Nilsen the win was a big moral booster.

"Last year we lost the PCC to Dunedin and we needed this win," Nilsen said.

Coach Scott Miller has seen some improvements in his team from the beginning of the season to the present point. "The underclassmen have really come through. Paul Roberts is doing a great job at shortstop as well as offensively. Also David Nilsen has contributed more than expected," Miller said.

Miller also said, "The people we expected, mostly seniors, are doing a good job."

Seniors Pete Couture and Greg Savell presently lead the team in batting, batting .444 and .438 respectively. But Nilsen is not far behind batting .387. Nilsen, who plays right field, said, "I've improved a lot. I've started every game this year. Personally, this is the best I've ever done. I'm really excited especially since I didn't start last year."

Another underclassman who has done extremely well is

sophomore shortstop Paul Roberts. Roberts is batting .375. "I'm playing better than I thought I would especially since I'm a sophomore playing with seniors. I'm trying."

Miller says the teams only overall weak point is inconsistency on offense. He also commented that the team is not tense enough.

Miller said, "The other day we were up three on Countryside and then tried to coast through the rest of the game. We got lucky to escape with a win of 4-3."



David Nilsen

"We're not hitting as well as we should be," said Savell, "but it is coming along."

During spring break the Vikings have the annual Dunedin Easter Tournament. However, this year won't be as glamorous as others, according to Miller.

"This year it has been broken down into three divisions with six teams in each division," explained Miller. In the past years the tournament was not broken into divisions according to size and a 2-A school could win it over the larger schools. Thus, making the first place trophy a more prized possession.

Softball has high expectations

By Jeff Nicholl
Staff Writer

"This is the best group of kids I had an opportunity to work with in the last three years of softball," said Coach Jodi Kay.

The girls' softball is breaking many records this season. The team has nine ambitious new players who are fairly young, all of which have a powerful potential for the team.

"I expect nothing but great years in the future, this year and the next. This team is young and they're very valuable," Kay said.

Angie Borzelleri's dedication to the team is definitely a great asset for this year's softball season. She has worked hard and contributed a lot to each and every practice. Last year,

Borzelleri was named honorable mention in the all conference teams.

Another standout for the team is Roberta Grounds. She has been on NEHI's softball team for three years and has seen some considerable changes.

"This year's team has gotten along better than any other year. It has never been like this since I've been here and we've never played more as a true team before," said Grounds.

"We have the ability to go all the way if we play as a team," Julie Brandes said.

She has played on a softball league for eight years and this is her first year on NEHI's softball team. Brandes' aspiration for the team makes her confident they all can win districts.

"We play as a team and get along great!" commented Brandes.

Expectations for this year and the years to come are already shining through the team; many changes are taking place, most of which are making this team what it should have been in the past. Personalities, attitudes, compatibility and dedication are just a few to mention in making this team one of the strongest, competitive teams in the county.

They are currently 4-1 in the conference and 5-4 overall. Practicing six days a week and playing an average of three games a week has enhanced their performance. The team's effort has finally gotten record-breaking scores for NEHI softball.

Mentioned outstanding were Borzelleri, Melanie Dunbar, Julie Brandes, Grounds, Shelley Lindsey, Jennifer Hargis, Heather Bolten and Susan Harris.

Boys' tennis starts 4-1

By Derek Landis
Staff Writer

Viking tennis opened up its 1986-87 season in February and both squads have currently completed five of their scheduled matches. Although the girls have turned out a disappointing 1-4 record thus far, the boys boast an impressive 4-1 record with their

only loss coming as a result of missing players in the Pinellas Park match.

Leading the squads in most matches are Tryggve Ehnberg, Gavin Hertzberg, Ian Abrahams, John Skey, Michelle McCoy and Amy Hurst, who has done quite well in both singles and doubles for the girls.

After losing many players from last year's team, the girls' team has had to rebuild.

"Sickness, injury, and ineligibility have hurt a lot," Coach Ann Cantlin said.

However, the girls did manage to defeat Gibbs 4-2.

Conversely, the boys have dominated most of their matches. Gibbs fell to the Vikes 6-1 while

Largo and Dixie both lost 5-2. In their fourth victory, the boys edged St. Pete 4-3.

"The guys have great ability this year. They're young and quite determined," said Coach Cantlin.

In her outlook for the season, Cantlin is very optimistic. For the girls Cantlin sees growing strength and improved results. For the boys she sees a terrific season with far more wins than losses.

Crucial matches will come when the Vikings face the up-county teams of Clearwater and Countryside. However, no matter what the outcome of this season is, Cantlin believes Northeast High School tennis has taken a turn for the better.

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Students get kick out of karate

by Scott Mac Farlane
Staff Writer

Kicking and punching their way to success are Juniors Ron Thaden and Steve Noble. They are just two of several Northeast students taking Yoshukai karate at the Fossil Park Recreation Center. The class is taught by senior instructor Hal Cook, who is a fifth degree black belt. Cook is under the instruction of Master Mike Foster, seventh degree black belt, who owns and operates Mike Foster USA Yoshukai.

Both Thaden and Noble took up karate to meet friends and other students from Northeast, and also for all the benefits of the sport, which are self-discipline, exercise, self-defense and sport.

Thaden, who is a brown belt in Yoshukai, said, "I feel that is (karate) isn't popular with very

many people at school. The majority of the kids at school don't really have the right idea about karate. They think of Bruce Lee and Chuck Norris when someone mentions it."

Thaden, who was 13 when he began taking karate, said, "If people knew what karate really is, there would be more people joining."

"The kids at school don't have the right idea about karate."

*Ron Thaden,
brown belt.*

To Thaden, karate is "A great way to learn self-discipline and to help build self-confidence."

Noble, who began taking lessons when he was 15, is now a green belt. To Noble, karate is "a form of exercise and a method of self-discipline. Karate is an activity that in time builds coordination and strength," he said.

Yoshukai karate is a Japanese style of karate whose founder presently lives in Japan. Yoshukai karate was brought to the United States by the founder's students.

In Yoshukai, students are set apart by rank, which is determined by colors of belts. The belts are in the following order: white, which is the lowest; green, brown and black which is the highest. Green and brown belts both have three different levels called Kyu (pronounced Q). A student must pass all three levels to be promoted to the next rank. The black belt which is the highest rank, consists of eight levels

Boys' win district title

On February 25-27, the boys' varsity basketball team trifled in the district games. In order to play in districts, the team had to meet certain qualifications.

Coach Dave Redding said, "For a team to win its district, it must win a tournament of 2 to 3 games over the schools in your area that are the same size. We did just that and won the first district title for Northeast in basketball since 1970.

"We had to beat St. Pete High (87-71) and Manatee (52-51) to win our district." This year's district games were held at Sarasota High School.

The requirements for the districts are basically simple. "All teams in the FHSAA are allowed in the tournament. Pensacola Washington went to the 4A final with a record of 13-17.

Boys' track makes 'fresh' start

This year's boys' track team plans to make a fresh start this season and coach Dennis Crider predicts a successful season.

Crider said "In our regular season meets, we again should have a winning season. In the larger meets and invitational meets, we have the potential to score higher. With a good year and no injuries, we could improve on last year's third place district finish."

Crider has been coaching boys' track for 14 years, seven of them at Northeast.

Last season's record was 9-1 (38-16 overall at Northeast.)

This year's season began March 3 at Lakewood.

Boys' track will have two meets per week in the early season, tapering off to one meet per week from mid-season to season's end.

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