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## NEHI CARES

By Nicki Evans  
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A grant from the governor and the State of Florida is providing a new program. The name of the program is NEHI CARES (Northeast High School/Chemical Abuse Reduced through Education and Support). According to the outline of the grant, the goal of this project is "to provide prevention, intervention, assessment and referral services to high risk students."

The program will provide a salary for a student assistance counselor, who will be at school full time to help students with personal or family problems or problems relating to drug or alcohol use. The counselor may also teach classes or groups such as Al-a-teen, Wendell Howze, assistant principal, said.

According to the outline of the program, "although the program will be available to all students, it will primarily target the students identified by the school staff as needing early intervention, counseling assessment and referral."

Some of the outcome objectives include, "Approximately 10 percent of the student population will be directly served through this model. Ninety percent participating parents will show increased knowledge of parenting skills."

"High risk youth will increase their attitudes and perception regarding healthy, drug-free lifestyles. The number of students receiving services will increase by 50 percent. High risk students will decrease negative classroom behavior and increase positive classroom behavior."

The number of suspensions may be reduced through the program, Howze said.

For example, if a student is caught with alcohol in his car on campus, the length of his suspension could be decreased by referral to the program.

If a student talks to the counselor about a drug or alcohol problem, but is not using drugs or alcohol on campus, the student will not get into trouble, Howze said. However, if the student is using drugs or alcohol on campus, disciplinary action will be taken.

If a student talks with the counselor about a problem, there is no parental notification unless the problem is potentially harmful to the student; for example, if a student is thinking of suicide. If a student's problem is abuse, school officials must report the problem to an agency such as HRS, Howze said.

NEHI is the only high school in the county to receive the grant for the new program, Howze said. The program is (continued on page 9)



Happy Holidays to all.

## Lend a helping hand

Betsy Graham  
Co-news-editor

"Tis the season to be jolly, Fa la la..."

As we enter the holiday seasons, minds are full of expectations and people are busy with decorating, baking, shopping and wrapping. However, this holiday, some residents of St. Petersburg will simply have their minds on finding a shelter and food.

As the weather gets colder, the shelters have been filling up, said a representative from the Homeless Outreach Support Team on Central Avenue. This team is there to help the homeless find lodging during their office hours Monday through Friday. If they're not open, they have made available the number of Pinellas Emergency Mental Health.

These state and privately funded organizations, like many other, are trying to reach out to the homeless. Pinellas Emergency Mental Health provides free treatment for alcoholics, the psychologically ill and addicts.

The shelters not only provide a temporary home this holiday, they also are providing some festivities to celebrate the season. Some homes are planning a Christmas dinner, others decorate and find useful gifts for the residents, and some, provide donated toys for the children.

The St. Vincent de Paul food Center also has plans to celebrate the holidays. They're having their annual sit-down Christmas dinner. They've planned a complete meal with turkey and all the works. The food is prepared and distributed by volunteers. Their staff list is filled for the holidays, but they're in need of volunteers for other seasons as well. They are located on Arlington Avenue and their number is 821-3446 for people interested in helping.

Another organization to help the needy are the Christmas Toy Shop. This organization collects donated toys and cleans them up to give to needy children. It is

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## New tardy policy is in effect

Tardiness results in new and more severe consequences in a program which began Dec. 10. The plan was conceived by the faculty discipline committee.

Under the new discipline process for tardiness, teachers are directly responsible for penalties for the first two tardies per semester. When students are tardy for the first time in a semester, teachers issue a warning. The second tardy results in an after-school detention period spent with the teacher. Teachers select the length of detention time and the day on which the detention will be served.

**A Fourth tardy and every tardy thereafter will result in suspension.**

A third tardy causes a student to be sent to the office on a disciplinary referral. The student will receive assignment to one day in the intervention center.

Each tardy after the third will result in a disciplinary referral and an automatic out-of-school suspension of one day.

If students are in the halls without passes during the first five minutes after the tardy bell, they will be directed to class by hall duty teachers. The classroom teacher is then to comply with the warnings-IC-suspension sequence.

Students in the hall past the five-minute limit will be called to the office on the hall duty radio. Administrators will deal with discipline in these cases.

Students in the hall during class periods with passes but who are not in the proper area will be given ground notices by hall duty teachers. A student on the ground notice list is not allowed to have a pass out of classroom for any reason for the semester.

Assistant Principal Wendell Howze, who explained the new program to teachers Dec. 3, said the program will be tightly enforced. For example, he said, if a student receives a teacher detention but is late getting to that assignment, that tardiness will be counted in the same way as tardiness to a class.

The new tardy program replaces the original one in which administrators held detention study halls in the cafeteria daily. Howze said teachers have been asked to assist in a more disciplinary program to curb tardiness because the previous program had become too backlogged to be effective.

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# Opinion

## NEHI grateful for shorts

The male knee in all its glory, has just recently been making an appearance. For years, males have sweated, suffered and committed in mandatory long pants, as they watched female apparel rules come and go in the fads. Girls wear culottes, shorts, miniskirts, then culottes (translation: shorts) to make the hot day more endurable.

Now thanks to Howard Hinesly, the new superintendent, and the school board, a long standing, im-

practical and discriminatory rule has been changed.

While no statistics are currently available, there surely are fewer suspensions now for infractions of apparel rules, and assistant principal Carlmon Jones agrees. He said the number of offenders of each sex are about the same; there may be more girls breaking the new, three-inch-above-the-knee rule, he said.

With all the energy expended on the clothing dispute in the last

couple of years, it was probably wise of the school board to agree to a change in the clothing rules. If there were no other reasons surely students are more likely to keep minds in class and concentrated on schoolwork instead of on the clothing controversy.

Perhaps this ruling in favor of the students can be viewed as a predictor of what students can expect in future from Hinesly, who succeeded Supt. Scott Rose this year.

## Northeast recieves new program

Northeast High has recieved a grant from the governor for a new program, NEHI CARES, which is designed to intervene with a substance-abusing student before his/her condition further declines.

The program is multifaceted, dealing with personal family problems, family and substance abuse problems, such as alcohol or drugs. Because the school will receive a full time counselor, to implement the program, more time for the individual student is a strong possibility.

While Northeast High is a good school with a few problems, it says something positive we are able to admit that we may have a problem here that needs help; are the other schools in the county hiding their heads in the sand?

Northeast currently has an excellent psychologist, Dr. Fran Mabrey. However, the new full time counselor will be a real benefit.

Also, with the full time time leadership of groups such as Aleteen, the counselors will also be providing as valuable service to the community, allowing groups to function and help individuals deal with their problems in a more consistent way.

With the number of students receiving services increased by 50 per cent, the new program should help those that otherwise might fall between the cracks.

It is important to keep in mind, however, that because a student might be under counseling for an abuse problem, this does not make him exempt from administrative action taken against him if he engages in prohibited activities on campus.

Northeast has acquired a great program which can benefit many and will be put to good use.

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## Viking Views

### How do you celebrate the holidays?



Nicole Lewis, Grade 12, Seventh Day Adventist.

"I celebrate the holidays at home with my family. We have a big Christmas dinner. We invite friends and family. We exchange gifts. Every year we rearrange our home and play Christmas carols, visit our family and have parties. We also go to church, and at church every year we have a banquet."

Tai Huynh, Grade 12, Buddhist.

"In my country we don't have your kind of holidays, so I don't know how to celebrate them. My family still celebrates it (Thanksgiving) the American way. We change some of the food, but not turkey. We are still giving thanks for our health and to god that let us arrive to this country safe and happy. We are very thankful to the Americans who allowed us to immigrate in this country. The way my family is giving thanks is to cook a lot of food and display it in front of the Buddhist and pray, and call the ancestors to witness and support us."



Thanh Nguyen, Grade 11, Vietnam.

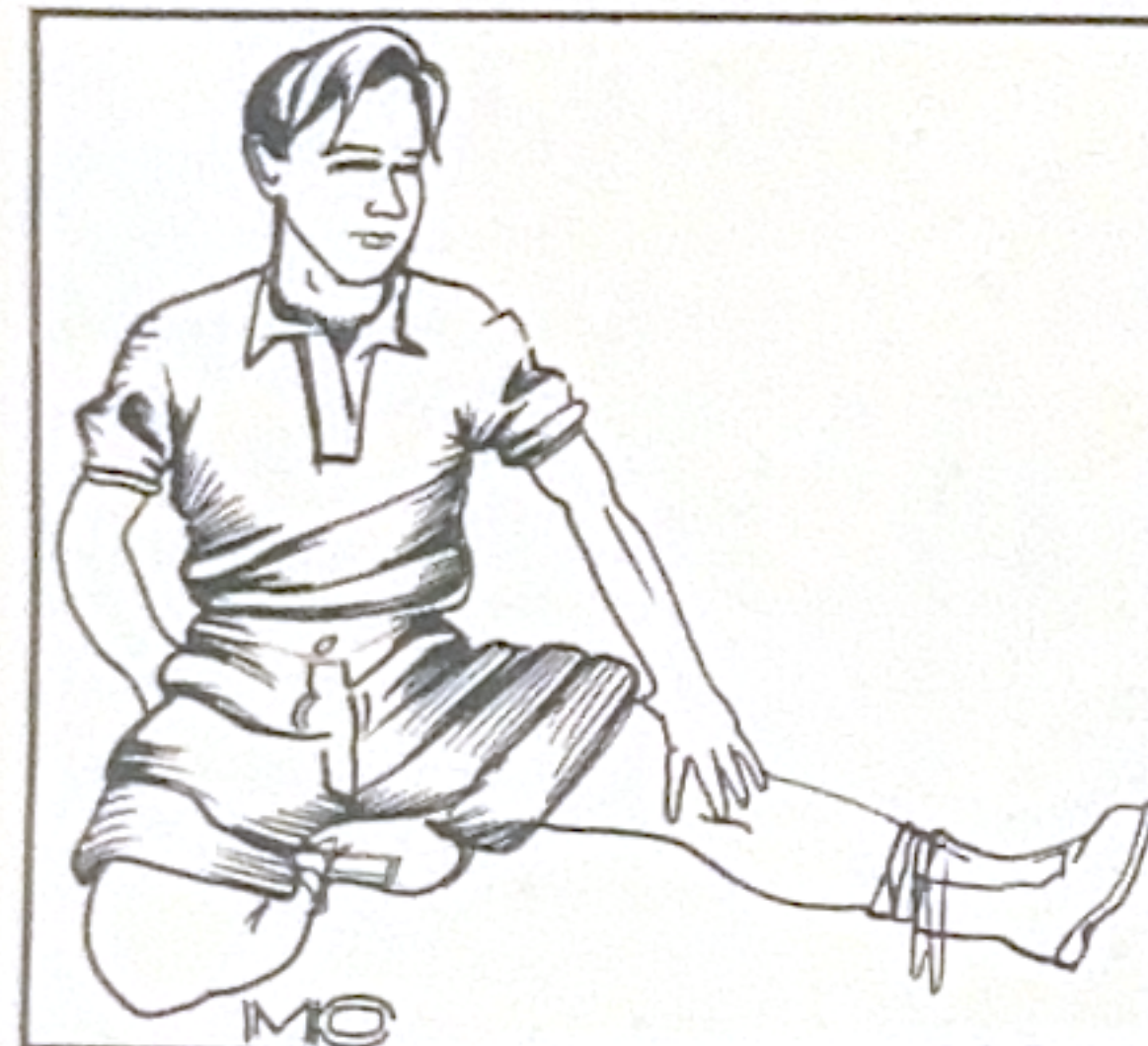
"In Vietnam we celebrate New Year's by wearing new clothes for the holiday. Every person celebrates with his family on Jan. 1 and then on Jan. 2 and 3 we celebrate with our friends. We eat 'banh tet' and 'thit kho tao' during the three days we celebrate. It is important that nobody comes to another house on Jan. 1 because that person might bring bad luck for the whole year. We don't wear any costumes. We just wear regular clothes, but we do wear the new ones."

Nalini Jaimangal, Grade 9, Hindu.

"In my religion there are many different holidays. We do celebrate Christmas and Thanksgiving because of living in America so long, but we also all celebrate our own holidays. Our new year is called Panguha, and is usually in March. Each year it falls on a different day. We all get together and sing religious songs, eat and throw red powder and baby powder all over each other—something like having a water balloon fight. The custom is said to purify the earth with the flying powder to have a prosperous new year. We do have other holidays where we celebrate the different gods' births, just as Americans celebrate the birth of Jesus at Christmas, but we don't give gifts. We just don't eat any meat and we pray to that particular god. Another important holiday is Deepavali. We believe that the mother is the light of the house."



Without her, your house would be dull, dirty and empty. She brings the house to life. So on that day we pray to Mother Laxmi to bless our mother and protect her. These are really the most important holidays to us. However, because of American society, we do celebrate Christmas, Thanksgiving and New Years. We're not too much into Halloween and Easter."



## Vikings raise funds to hike Viking

Congratulations, NEHI. You've once again shown there's a lot of Viking pride and that people on the campus will come through to place that pride where it shows.

More than \$100 was raised this month by students contributing nickels, dimes and quarters to mount the Viking symbol on the front of the auditorium, and the work will be done as soon as possible.

To recap, the old Viking painting mounted on the front of the auditorium died of old age last year, and was removed. Anticipating this move, the art department sponsored a replacement, which is the work of Brad Bell, class of '90.

The painting has been gathering dust in a corner of an art room for months, because county maintenance, which removed the old painting, said it could not allow men nor money

to mount Bell's painting. So the senior class and the Nor'easter stepped in. Large plastic jugs, decorated with photos of the Viking head, were placed in teachers' lounges and places available to students.

It didn't take long before pride and generosity filled the jugs, providing the money needed for welding costs.

And there's where the seniors, Nor'easter, and the school as a whole gives thanks to Tom Mabrey.

Mabrey, a contractor and husband of senior class sponsor Sue Mabrey, is donating time and labor for the mounting of the school's symbol. He charged the sponsoring groups only for his costs for welding.

Thanks, Tom Mabrey, and thanks, NEHI. There's proof once more that pride is alive and well at NEHI.

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## NEHI news

### Senior Class

The senior class has faced one of its early graduation costs, on December 4 a \$25 fee for caps, gowns and announcements were due.

The class sold mistletoe messages December 10-12.

### Mass Media

Mass Media is in the Middle of video yearbook pre-sales, which will be sold during all three lunches until Christmas break. After vacation, the yearbooks will be sold for \$15.

### Spanish club

The Spanish Club will be selling Candy Cane Grams before Christmas vacation. The group is planning a holiday banquet at Chi-Chi's.

### Junior Class

The junior class is selling spirit bracelets for \$2.50. The juniors elected Beth Cohen to represent them in the Miss NEHI Pageant.

### NHS

"Operation Goodie Bag," a collection of materials to send to troops in Saudi Arabia, was a success, according to Gretchen Cook. Cook sponsors National Home Society, which promoted the collection.

The project was coordinated with the American Red Cross.

### Viking Log

Yearbook: The Viking Log staff is attempting to get 80 pages together to be sent to the yearbook's publisher.

### Soundings

Soundings is currently involved in a holiday sale called "The Christmas Wrap." The staff also is working on having some student works published.

### NAHS

On Dec. 4 the NAHS visited All Children's Hospital to decorate with Christmas art and to spread Christmas cheer.



## Who's in the news?

Lauren Stitt has been nominated for the Panhellenic Leadership Award. She was selected by the faculty scholarship committee.

Debbie Potter recently was named "outstanding vocational student of the year" by the Petersburg Downtown Optimist Club. Potter is enrolled in the fashion marketing program.

Shane Linton, class of '90 and former sports editor for the Nor'easter, recently completed

Navy boot camp and is now in Mississippi for training before assignment to the Saudi Arabia area.

Allison Williams is the only NEHI student selected as one of the outstanding high school writers for 1990 by the National Council of Teachers of English.

### Correction

The name of Tammy Wilkes was inadvertently left out of the bowling article in the November issue. The Nor'easter apologizes.

## Miss NEHI is crowned

Nor'easter staff member Betsy Graham was crowned Miss NEHI at the pageant Saturday, Dec. 1. She represented the Nor'easter.

Graham sang "Memory" from the Broadway play Cats in the talent portion of the competition. The 1989-90 Miss NEHI, Jennifer Dudley crowned Graham after she was selected by the five judges.

The other finalists were: fourth runner-up, Donna Collins, who was sponsored by the marching band and who sang "In Heaven's Eyes;" third runner-up, Meg Knapp, sponsored by Gondoliers who sang "Wind Beneath My Wings;" and second runner-up, Andrea Eva, sponsored by National Honor Society, who performed a humorous monologue. The first runner-up was Beth Cohen, who was sponsored by the junior class, she performed a dance routine and Stacy Vick did a gymnastics routine. Candy Wery, contestant 14, did a cheerleading and dance routine. Carrie Lambeth performed "Music Box Dancer" on piano.

The event and sponsoring club, Hi-Y, are advised by Susan Phillips and Michelle Timmel. The hosts were Bill Dudley and Shannon McElhinney.

After intermission, Larissa Camacho performed a dance routine and Stacy Vick did a gymnastics routine. Candy Wery, contestant 14, did a cheerleading and dance routine. Carrie Lambeth performed "Music Box Dancer" on piano.

The judges for the pageant were Martin McAuliffe, Madonna De Vald, Russ Fleetwood, Rita Dudley and Wayne Thompson.

## Reserve activity for carnival

By Christina Hurt  
Co-editor-in-chief

The spring carnival scheduled for April 20 already has 15 groups and clubs signed up for space. The all-school fund-raiser is sponsored by the Nor'easter.

All school groups, organizations and clubs will be given first choice for location. Groups wishing to ask for space are to register with Sandy Williams, Room 9-3, to avoid any complications or duplications.

After prime space is allowed to school groups, additional territory will be offered to church, club and family groups which will operate rummage sales and/or flea markets.

The Carnival will take place on the football field and track, where many games, rides and concessions will be available. More games—especially for the very young—are needed.

## Peer facilitators hard at work

By Maureen McSharry  
Staff Writer and  
Mindy Van Leer  
Co-news editor

Since the drop-out rate has been increasing and there is a higher level of high risk students, a peer facilitator program has been installed at Northeast to help prevent these problems.

In addition to helping students with problems, the peer facilitators provide other services such as orientation for new students, and they assist student services personnel with guidance activities.

These peer facilitators are motivated, responsible juniors and seniors who are interested in helping other students, such as the high risk students who may be experiencing personal adjustment problems and have

The pageant opened with the contestants dancing to "Vogue", choreographed by Libby Marconi, then Miss NEHI 1989-90, Jennifer Dudley, sang "Friends" for entertainment. Kelle Postle then opened competition with a dance, followed by Carmen Popwell, who sang "Find a Way."

Contestant 3 was Jessica St. Hill singing "All I Ask of You". She was followed by Nicole Hodges, who tap danced to "Stumbling", Lynette Counts performed a dramatic monologue and then Michelle Herrschaft ballet danced to "Wasal".

Angel Patrick did a dance and rap routine with the wrestlers and Malia Almanor sang "The Rose". Contestant 10 was Jennifer Yarborough, who danced to "Putting on the Ritz".

After intermission, Larissa Camacho performed a dance routine and Stacy Vick did a gymnastics routine. Candy Wery, contestant 14, did a cheerleading and dance routine. Carrie Lambeth performed "Music Box Dancer" on piano.

Each club or other group is responsible for equipment, decorations and prizes needed for its booths.

Academic celebrities will be found enjoying games at the target end of water-balloons and pies, and have indicated their willingness to get wet in the dunking booth.

The 15 groups already signed up are offering a wide variety activities and concessions.

The Nor'easter's dunking booth, in which some administrators may get more than a little damp, and the senior class' wreck-a-car, an activity that guarantees the holders of sledgehammers chances to let off steam.

Drama teacher Ellen Dennis will ply her skills as a fortune teller and the Thespians will perform street theater.

home or school related problems.

"We do just about everything from counseling students with problems to tutoring them. We are here as a back-up for people who have problems or even for people who just need a friend to talk to," said Nicole Robertson, just one of the peer counselors at Northeast.

Students are selected to be peer facilitators after filling out applications and being interviewed. As part of the interview, the facilitators-to-be given a problem dealing with teenagers and asked what they would do if a student talked to them concerning that particular problem. If accepted into the program, the fledgling facilitators attend a 10-week training session with Dr. Fran Mabrey, the school psychologist, and Ed Eloschway, a school guidance counselor.

and was followed by Beka Patterson, who performed a humorous monologue.

Contestant 20 was Jennifer Kosharsky, who performed an instrumental arrangement on the flute, and No. 21, Stephanie Gardener, sang "Love in Any Language". The talent section was closed by Angela Williams singing "Via de la Rose". The evening wear competition followed. Larissa Camacho was awarded Miss Congeniality by the girls in the pageant, during this time.

The event and sponsoring club, Hi-Y, are advised by Susan Phillips and Michelle Timmel. The hosts were Bill Dudley and Shannon McElhinney.

The judges for the pageant were Martin McAuliffe, Madonna De Vald, Russ Fleetwood, Rita Dudley and Wayne Thompson.

The pageant was long, but filled with good entertainment and was very successful. Hi-Y is planning to sponsor the annual Striking Viking pageant in January.

Hot dogs, soft drinks, and popcorn will be provided by the Band Boosters, and that's just one source of food.

NHS will offer pizza, FBLA will have candy apples and cotton candy and FFA/HERO will provide ice cream sundaes.

SGA will have a balloon throw and darts and HOSA will sponsor a pie throwing contest.

Key club will operate a moon-walk and helium balloons will be sold by DECA-OMEGA.

GOALS has taken on two tasks, face painting and "funny fotos."

A ring toss will be sponsored by FEA and a penny pitch by Forensics.

All of these activities and more will be scheduled for fun and fund-raising. School groups are urged to sign up while space and a variety of activities are still available.

At that session, facilitators are taught how to listen to students and how to recognize the signals that turn the student away and make them not want to talk about their problems. One way the trainees learn how to deal with certain dilemmas is by acting out the actual problem. Confidentiality also plays an important role in the program.

"Kids helping kids is so neat," Mabrey said. She believes very strongly that many teenagers have "that special ability to help others."

"Peer counseling may provide the support and encouragement so many teenagers need in order to succeed in school and to accept responsibility for themselves and their actions—the first real step to adulthood," Mabrey said.



# Chalmers dances her way into the spotlight

By Maureen McSharry  
and Krystal Outman  
Staff Writers

She's danced her way into your hearts as the mild-mannered chemistry teacher Martha Chalmers, but behind the scenes she's a nationally renowned ballroom dancer.

Chalmers follows a vigorous training schedule, where every weekend she drives 250 miles each way to the Empress Ballroom on Delray Beach to practice. She does not practice alone, however; she has two partners, Alec Lazzo and Larry Silver. Lazzo is owner of the Empress Ballroom and also is a rising professional star. He was the international Latin Dance champion of 1989. Silver, her local partner, is also a world-famous American dancer, coach and judge.

Chalmers' first win as a dancer was at the 1985 Florida state ballroom championship, where in all heats she received open gold. This was the beginning of a beautiful relationship between Chalmers and dance, one that would lead her to many more victories. Those victories include the International Latin championships, where she is ranked in the top three in the world.

Other titles she has won: Florida State Champion; United States Champion (twice); United States Champion (runner-up); "Open to the World," of International Ladies A (second and third place), national finalist in two modern dances; and Mid-United States Championship, team match winner; La Classique de Quebec, all first places in latin heats; and New

Orleans Dance Fest Competition.

She uses her winning for scholarship money; that way she retains her amateur status.

Chalmers' favorite dances are the cha-cha and the tango.

Obviously, Chalmers is not your everyday, ordinary teacher. She is an example of dedication and victory, both in and out of the classroom.

Competition requires extraordinary and unique costumes, Chalmers said, with prices even more extraordinary. She said costume prices range between \$1,000 and \$3,000 per outfit. Chalmers' Latin dance, alone, requires two such outfits. She sells the designer gowns for Lorie Chambliss of Miami.



Martha Chalmers and her partner pose in one of the steps in a complicated Latin dance. Chalmers who has won many national awards, recently was named runner-up in the Ohio Star Ball and international Latin competition, one of six regional contests in the country.

## NEHI students enjoy playing volleyball

By Chris Smith  
Staff Writer

There's a lot of "digging" going on around here, whether at the sandy beaches around St. Pete or at the sometimes peaceful 4th Street Station. It's not dirt that's being dug, but volleyball. These seven ounce balls can also be seen being spiked, served and blocked in a wide variety of ways.

Many students enjoy playing the game. Students may be found playing at a lot of different places. One of the most popular is the beach; it's always been the place to meet and play. Beach volleyball, as a sport, has caught on quickly in the past two or three years.

Volleyball was invented by William G. Morgan, a physical director at the Young Men's Christian Association in Holyoke, Mass., in 1895. This game was at first crudely played with a badminton net and a leather-covered ball similar to a basketball.

There are many types of volleyballs on the market. The most popular, according to sales records of selected stores, is the Spalding Top Flight. This ball is made of top quality leather, and is responsive to aggressive play. Other popular selling balls include: Side Out by Mossimo, the Sunny by Wilson and the Red Sand, also by Wilson.

Today volleyball is played on a court, either hard (cement, wood, grass) or sand. The court measures 60 ft. by 30 ft. and the net is 15 ft. in between.

The top of the net is 8 ft on hard surfaces and 7 ft. 11 in on sand. The net consists of nylon string woven tightly together. It is secured by ropes, with one across the top and one across the bottom to maintain the net's rectangular shape. It also has one or two more ropes connected to keep the net taut and increase the bounce back from the ball in case it is hit into the net.

Recently, volleyball wearing apparel has become a fashion statement. There are hundreds of different types of gear to use, most of which have been advertised by the pros. Obviously, shorts are a necessary part of the gear. Some of the more popular ones are Mossimo, Spot Sport and Umbro. T-shirts, tank-tops, even no-tops can be seen everywhere. Quicksilver, Vuarnet, Stussy and Body Glove dominate the courts. In head gear, sunglasses are a must if you play outside. Oakley, Style Eyes and Ray Ban cover the eyes of many players. Hats can add the special touch to the perfect look.

Remember, it doesn't really matter how players look when they play, it's how they play that people respect. If you practice hard and play harder anyone interested could be playing against the toughest in the world.



## Sunken Gardens is not for the birds

By Melissa Worthington  
Staff Writer

Sunken Gardens is just one of many interesting places to go in the Tampa Bay area. This attraction is truly sunken; the center of the gardens is 15 feet below street level.

Sunken Gardens was founded in 1903, and is the oldest family-owned attraction in the state. There are more than 7,000 varieties of sub-tropical plants imported from around the world, and the gardens transplant 50,000 annuals each year to assure visitors of colorful picture-taking opportunities.

The gardens are complemented by a huge, walk through aviary, housing over 305 native and tropical birds. There are bird and animal displays throughout the gardens and several pools and waterfalls playing aquatic plants and fish. Including Oscars, Hill Perch and Koi, the Japanese Carp.

Everywhere you look there are plants of all kinds. Just to name a few, there are plants like Spathiphyllum from Mauna Loa, Ponytail Palm and Pink Jacobena. There are birds such as the Greater Flamingos, Royal Crown Pigeon and Macaws of all kinds. There are also American Alligators, Capybaras, and Capuchin Monkeys.

No matter where you are in the Gardens, there are exotic plants and fascinating animals. There's even a Bald Eagle at Sunken Gardens that will never be released due to its injuries. There are a few iguanas; they range from one to three feet long.

At 11:30, 1:30 and 3:30, there are bird shows. The shows consist of Macaws doing things like stiller-skating, playing basketball and firing a toy cannon. One bird, a red-winged scarlet Macaw, named Captain, stands on its head and

plays dead. Some birds even recognize shapes and colors.

Sunken Gardens has one of the largest gift shops in Florida. The shop sells items from toys to fine jewelry. There is a biblical museum composed of life-size wax figures of Jesus Christ and his Apostles. One gardens supervisor said, "These figures are so life-like, they make you think they're real people ready to jump out and are you."

Sunken Gardens is located at 1825 Fourth St. North, St. Petersburg, just five minutes from downtown.



## Nor'easter Christmas Messages

Merry Christmas to the whole senior class and all my friends and cheerleaders  
Love,  
Tiffany King

To James,

Our second Christmas together. May it be the merriest Happy Holidays.  
Love,  
Ashley

To the Junior Class:

Have a Merry Christmas! Jade, let's bake cookies! Deb, Amy and Jen, we've had fun. Beth, Jablonski and Betsy, friends forever! Holly and Kelly, want a ride? Last but not least, Shad, I love you and can't wait to spend Christmas together! To all whom I've forgotten, Happy Holidays.  
Love,  
Becky

Colby,

Hey! I hope you have the best Christmas ever. Let's just hope you stay healthy. Let's get together "K"?  
Eve-Eve.

Love,  
Ann

To Everyone:

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog.  
From C.C. & G.L.

To my dearest friend, whose name is Sonja:

Have a great Christmas!!  
Your friend,  
Ann

To all Navy DEPs,

Hope to wish all of you guys a very special "last" Merry Christmas homebound. Congratulations on your future. Pray for peace in Saudi Arabia.

DEP Kevin P. Richard  
U.S. Navy

Yo!

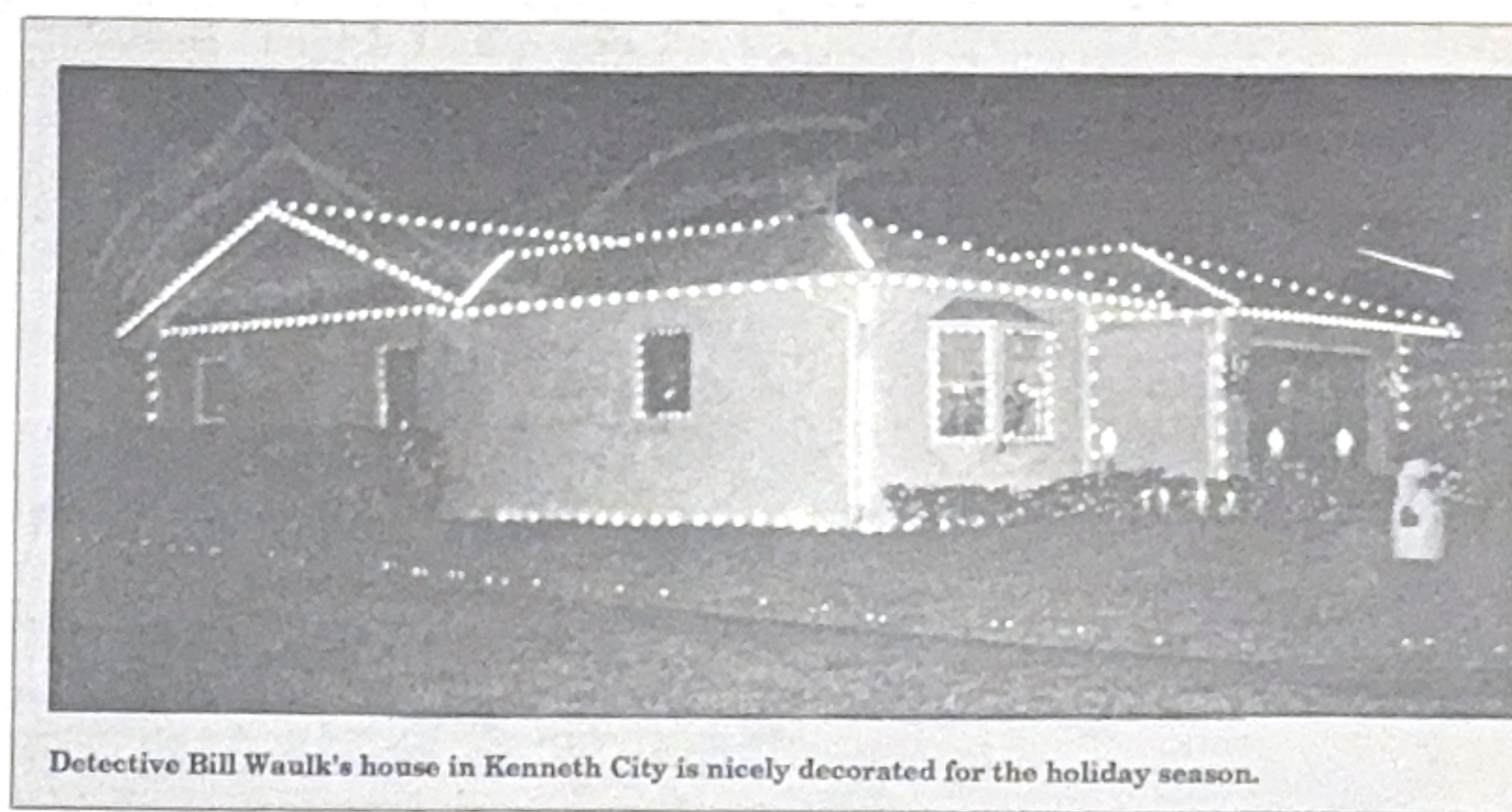
I want to say PEACE! to all the homies. King Hercules, Kid Hype, Felong "T", African Lover, Perfection (probably won't see this). But it's my time, "Going for my own," but I'm not leaving any of the fellas out, so if I missed an-e-one, I'll catch ya on the go 'round.

Peace,  
White Boy  
Prince "T"  
"T" Dog  
AKA Tim Morrow

P.S. Peace to the Alpha fy Cappa.

To students & staff of NEHI:  
Best wishes for a joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The R.L. Fannin Family



Detective Bill Waulk's house in Kenneth City is nicely decorated for the holiday season.

Amos:

Hey, someone else's friend! Well, I just broke my, oh, never mind. Watch out for vicious trees, and have you hugged your eggroll today?

Smile.  
NOBODY (M.P.)

Angela,

I just wanted you to know that you are the best thing that has ever happened to me. I'm a lucky, lucky guy to have u. I love you bunches.

Brand

Just wanted to say Merry Christmas to all my friends. I love you guys! To all the varsity cheerleaders, let's do great at competition, we can do it!! Thanks for everything, Alicia, where would I be without you?

Love,  
Trumbubble

Kelleee,

What a life! Thanks for everything. Just laugh 'cause you know it's funny. Merry Christmas, hon.  
Coleee

Wendy,

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and wishing you would go out with me.  
Love,  
Eric

Happy Holidays to all the junior American historians. May your stockings be filled with essays, DBQs and other things that go bump in the night.

Merry Christmas to all! To Carlton: Hey! It's been more than one trip. Let us continue beyond the realm of predictions. Do you believe? RASTA. You can!

Love,  
Sta-C

Liz, Jen, Mike, Renee, Sarah: All of you are really great friends. Merry Xmas  
Love ya all,  
Malissa

Merry Christmas to Amy, Betty, Trev, Turnoff, Allie Mae, Chris, Shannon, Deb, Doug, Jade, R.J., Scott, 4th period speech class, Karl, Luke, Becky, Evelyn, Alicia and Cand! Looking forward to the New Year!

All my love,  
Beth

To my best friend, Jennifer: Hope you have a great Christmas.  
Pauline

Susan

What a life? Well, it's been fun so far and will get better. I'm happy for you and Brandy with you Dad. This Christmas will be the best, especially New Year's Eve.  
Love, Gloria

To all my friends: (It would take too long to name them all.) Happy Holidays. I'll see you next year.

Roger Davey  
"Hitman"

To Angie, Lisa and Rachel: Merry Christmas. Ryb. SIE. Remember Dick's killer dogs.  
Love, Bille

Kristen and Shelley: I want you guys to know you mean a lot to me. Merry Christmas and thanks for everything.

To all my other friends, you all know who you are, Merry Christmas.

Love always,  
Jackie

Jason, Merry Christmas! Have fun on your skiing trip. I'll miss you.

Love,  
Lorie



## Nor'easter Christmas Messages

Jess:  
Hey, what's up? Well, this  
is part of your Christmas.  
Hope you like it. See ya.  
Rain

Kimberpi.  
You are just so...ha-ha!  
Hope you have a Merry Xmas.  
Remember Peyton's dance!  
Love,  
Travis

Dan:  
Hey, honey! I just wanted to  
get you this and tell you I'm  
really having a great senior  
year and I owe it all to you!  
Hope you have a great Christ-  
mas break. I know I will  
because I'll be with you. I  
love you.  
Melissa

To all my friends:  
Merry Christmas! Air, thanks  
for dealing with me; Betsy,  
for all our talks; Jason and  
Brian for all the great times.  
I love you guys!  
Love,  
Larissa

Maria:  
I'm writing to tell you to  
have a Merry Christmas and  
thank you for being there.  
Love,  
Lori Sack

Dear Betsy, Trevor, R.J.,  
Jason T. (ego), Amy, Beth,  
Billy, Blowe and the rest of  
the junior class. Merry  
Christmas, Class of '92.  
Love,  
Chris Harris

To all friends:  
Merry Christmas and a Happy  
New Year, Class of '92.  
From your  
Pal Mal Cuban

Christopher--  
Such a nice guy! Happy  
holidays. Thanks for the  
smiles.  
Jade

Nikki and Holly Leach,  
Hey, girlies! What's up?  
Nothing much here. I hope you  
guys have a Merry Christmas.  
Love  
MiMi

Jodi and Romain:  
Have a great Christmas and  
Happy New Year. I love you!  
JoAnn

Melissa Worthington:  
Hey, girl! Just wanted to  
say have a Merry Xmas and a  
Happy New Year. K.I.T.  
526-7458.  
Love,  
Kris LaClear

**The Nor'easter  
wishes NEHI a  
Merry Christmas**



To: Heather, Kristen, Kenny,  
Donovan, Chris, Ken, Chris M.,  
Bille, Lisa, Rachael, Melissa,  
Tonya, Sylvia, Meaden and  
Shelle. Thanks for all the fun  
this year. Hope you have a  
Merry Christmas. I love you.  
Stacy

Kathy:  
Well, it's been a great year  
so far. We've been through  
good times and bad times, but  
we've stuck them out. I just  
wanted to say Merry Xmas and  
Happy New Year.  
Love ya lots,  
Julie

To: Angie, Lisa, Tanya and  
Bille. We've had some fun  
times over the summer and  
through the year. Hopefully we  
will have many more. Have a  
Merry Christmas.  
Love ya,  
Rachael

Katie:  
I'm glad you moved down  
here. It has done a lot for  
me. I hope our relationship  
will grow closer.  
Love,  
Todd

Melissa.  
This is a tribute to you.  
The love I always hoped and  
prayed for I found in you.  
Never were the days so  
bright or the sky to blue  
until your beautiful green  
eyes said our love will  
forever be true.  
I love you,  
Dan

Coch.  
I want to wish you a  
Merry Christmas and thank  
you for being the "best"  
friend. You're the best! Go  
Varsity!!  
Love,  
Torrey

Merry Christmas to  
everyone. Have a great good  
fun and a nice Christmas. I  
have no idea who this is  
for; it really doesn't  
matter. It's for everyone!

Merry Christmas and best  
wishes for a wonderful New  
Year to the students,  
teachers, administrators  
and support staff of NEHI.  
Sandy Williams

To Tomara and Gracy, two  
people I love very much.  
Have a Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Steven

Cohen.  
Hey, well we made it to  
state this year, next year  
top 3 or better, right?  
Well, Merry Xmas.  
Love,  
Karl

R.J.:  
The best guy!! My guy!!  
I.L.Y.  
Jade

Betsy.  
Wanted to wish you a  
Merry Xmas and tell ya to  
keep puddy happy. Take care  
of those nails.  
Love,  
Karl

Eddie.  
Merry Christmas,  
sweetheart. Our second  
Christmas together and many  
more to come! I love you  
with all my heart.  
All my love,  
Kala

Merry Christmas to Susan,  
Angel, Carmen, Maggie,  
Nikki, Gondo's and to the  
class of '91!  
Michelle

Shannon,  
I just wanted to say  
thanks. Hope you have a  
great Christmas!  
Michelle

## Nor'easter Christmas Messages

Dear Chris,  
Have a great Christmas.  
I'm glad we've become best  
friends. We've had some  
great times in your Honda.  
Hope we stay buds for a  
long time.  
Jeff

Happy Holidays to Stacey,  
Kim, Rachel, CCC, Chantal.  
I'll miss you. Lisa, we'll  
get together.  
Ashley

Kim,  
I'm really glad we've  
gotten to know each other.  
Have a happy Xmas.  
Love,  
Karl

Hey,  
Meg, Dee, Kim, Tammy, Ty,  
Karl, Vanessa, Chyenne,  
Scott, Jessica, Denise,  
Troy, Jennica, Melissa  
(B-Day), Angela and to all  
of the rest of you: hope  
you have a really cool  
Christmas and a Happy New  
Year (hint, hint)!  
Love ya,  
Cindy

To all my friends at  
Northeast:  
Make the best of the  
holidays and please take  
care!  
Love,  
Sta-C

Joe Jo,  
Thanks for your advice  
about James. Good luck with  
Shon. Best buddies.  
Jodi

Brand, Honey,  
Hope you have a Merry  
Christmas. I love you lots.  
Angela

The Denman family wishes  
the senior class and  
Northeast High's  
underclassmen and faculty a  
Merry Christmas and a Happy  
New Year.

Cherri and Chrissy,  
Merry Christmas!  
Love,  
Mom and Walter

Aric,  
Hi, honey! Merry Christ-  
mas. I love you.  
Love always,  
Chrissy

Sasha,  
Merry Christmas!!  
Your secret pal  
(Hi-Y)

Nicki,  
Hey, babe. It's our first  
Christmas together. Let's make  
it a good one with lots of  
presents and lots of cheer.  
Sending you my love,  
Mikey

Michelle, Kim, Greg, Jeff,  
Mark, Christina, Melissa,  
Michelle, Kara:  
Have a Merry Christmas!  
Love,  
Nicki

Merry Christmas to Hester  
Waller and Kelly Rhoads, my  
two best friends. See ya!  
Maryann

Merry Christmas to Ben,  
Stephi, Stephi, Loral, Kelly,  
Karen, Joe Jen Bob, I love you  
more, Melissa, word to J1-6th.

Cheri Quackenbush,  
Hey, girlie! What's up?  
Nothing much here. Hope you  
have a Merry Christmas and a  
Happy New Year.  
Love ya,  
MiMi

Christy,  
Hey! Have a very Merry  
Christmas and a Happy New  
Year. And have fun over  
Christmas vacation. See ya,  
later.  
MiMi

Angela,  
I would like to thank you  
for all that you have done  
for me, and all of the  
problems you have helped me  
through. Remember that I'll  
always be there for you  
when you need someone.  
Love,  
"YLB"

Melissa Bryan,  
Thanks for being such a  
good friend. You're a very  
special person. Thank you.  
Merry Christmas.  
Your friend,  
Melinda Foster

Tina, Tina, Tina,  
Coluccia, Culver Love  
Always, Willingham, Nicole,  
Chrissy, Carolyn and Suzie  
always too. Happy Holidays!  
You're the best.

Patty,  
Merry Christmas to the  
greatest sister in the  
world. You have always been  
there for me when I needed  
you.  
Love,  
New York

Kristen,  
We've been through so much,  
I can't even begin to mention  
it all. You're the bestest  
friend I could ever ask for.  
Merry Christmas!  
Love,  
Michelle

Chiko:  
You are really special to  
me. I hope you have a great  
Christmas.  
Belinda

Andy,  
I love you more than  
anything in the world! We will  
be together forever!  
Love,  
Michelle

Merry Christmas to my best  
friend, Amanda Lacy. Also to  
Willy, Jayson, Ed, Jimmy and  
Gary, and, of course, B-mon.  
Have a merry, merrry Christ-  
mas!

Merry Christmas to Terri, Ann,  
Amanda, Jason, Ed, Bill, Angel  
and the NEHI Class of '91.

Krystal,  
Guess what?  
I love you.  
Tim  
P.S. Have sweet dreams

Mike,  
Thanks for all the good  
times. Merry Christmas. I love  
you.  
Nicki

Drumline:  
You bunch of gunkies. I'd  
just like to say I've had fun  
being with you guys and to  
remember me when you make a  
Christmas list. Play till your  
brains fall out.  
Your fearless leader,  
Mike

Dear Ally (Gandy), Luran  
(SGA), Betty, (Miss NEHI,  
Tally), Amy (curfew),  
Debbie (St. R's sister),  
Larissa (advice, laughs,  
thank-you), Shannon (Blue  
Ridge), Kristin (Dorsett  
chats), Keyla (misunder-  
standings, drive-in), Jade  
(the boys), Ashley (chats),  
Alicia (advice), Holly  
(INXS), Becky (same boat),  
Jen (princess), Dawn  
(parties), Trumbubble  
(Marcotte), Chris (tears,  
Ford, eternal thank), Karl  
(nails), RJ, Luke & Billy.  
Thank for the memories.  
Love ya!  
Betty



# Nor'easter Christmas Messages

To my other two-thirds,  
John and Jim Jarboe:  
Merry Christmas. Love you  
both.

Ashley

Kimberly-Jean,  
Hope you have the best  
Xmas ever with Vinny, I  
will with James.

Best friends,  
Jodilyn

Sushi,  
I hope you have a wonder-  
ful Christmas. Don't get  
too excited about Sun's  
thing!

Love,  
Jane

Chrissy's bald stepfather with  
hair like Jennie's, who's  
really an American Gladiator,  
who's turned on by Con, who's  
really Chrissy's mother fell  
off the second story, was  
knocked unconscious, was in  
love with Mrs. A. but only  
Tropical Storm with her once,  
then became a masseuse and  
invented water.

Gloria:

Hey Babe! Thanks for  
everything you've done. I'm  
glad all my problems are  
solved and Bran is out in the  
open. Lots of luck with  
George! I hope we are lifetime-  
friends with everlasting  
memories. Jacksonville is  
almost down the road. Merry  
Xmas!

Love ya,  
Susan

Becky,

Hey, punkin! Merry Christ-  
mas! Hope you have fun over  
Xmas vacation. Hope you get  
everything you want.

See ya,  
Rain

To all of our Football  
Players:

Hey! You all looked good out  
there in your cute little uni-  
forms. We could have done  
better this year if only you  
all tried a little harder! Better  
luck in the future! Especially for: Santiago  
Nelson, Steven Johnson and  
Richard Wells (JV): Have a  
Merry Christmas!

Love,  
Christy LaClear

Rebecca "Bear" Bell:

Hey! I am glad we became as  
close as we did! Good luck  
with your guys. Have a Merry  
Xmas and a Happy New Year!

Love ya,  
Love,  
Christy LaClear

Karen Walker:

Hello, sis! How are you? I  
hope you have a great Christ-  
mas. I am pretty sure we will  
be spending it together! If I  
were you, I would tell Ben to  
give it up! I am glad we are  
friends..Best friends, at  
that! Merry Xmas.

I Love ya.  
Love • Love,  
J.R.! Christy LaClear

Trev,

Thank for a year of  
learning, growing,  
believing, changing, good  
times, memories, good  
laughs, overcoming  
struggles, comforting and  
sharing. Merry Christmas  
and may the New Year bring  
you the best!

Love always,  
Your brown-eyed  
girl

Joey:

I just want you to know how  
much you mean to me. I love  
you very much and I hope our  
first Christmas together is  
great. I hope we have many  
more together. We've been  
through so much together and  
I hope we stay together for  
much more. Merry Christmas,  
sweetie.

I love you,  
Jacie

Matt:

You are very special to me.  
We have a lot of great mem-  
ories of us together that I  
would never forget. We are  
going to last! Have a great  
Christmas. I love you and  
always will!

Tanya



Jason Cook:

Hey! It has been great  
knowing you for these last six  
years! You are a really great  
guy. Have a great Christmas  
and a safe New Year! I will  
miss you, Jason!

Love ya,  
Love,  
Christy LaClear



The Gondoliers performed at Straub Park for a concert sponsored by the radio station 102.5 FM. This concert started the Gondoliers busiest season which will include a winter concert with the band.

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## Whose earth is it?

Dr.  
Doogie



by Chris Smith  
Staff Writer

Well, NEHI, it's that time  
again: Christmas. A time for  
cheer, joy and love throughout  
the December holidays; a time to  
relax; enjoy the 16 whole days  
off school; buy Christmas gifts;  
and also get them.

However, as you're packing  
that lamp to send to grandpa in  
Wisconsin, think about this. The  
styrofoam peanuts used to pro-  
tect that fragile gift in its pack-  
age, handy and efficient as they  
are, may take hundreds of years  
to breakdown and decompose.

Before you protect your gifts  
this year, consider a "new" pack-  
ing material: popcorn. Yes, the  
same stuff you eat while  
watching Rocky 5000 is now a  
popular packing used to fill con-  
tainers holding breakables.

Popcorn for packing is now  
being used by thousands of  
packaging businesses around  
the country, and is rapidly gain-  
ing popularity with ecologically-  
sound men and women. The  
cardboard box also breaks down  
quickly, which leaves one prob-  
lem.

Where did you find a lamp  
shade in that color? Gross?

Have you ever watched a nu-  
clear explosion on television? It's  
beautiful to watch, it's also a  
wonder that something so beau-  
tiful can cause so much damage  
and destruction. Now, although  
few researchers consider nu-  
clear tests to be environmental  
threats, they do cause damage  
and may even cause  
"premature" earthquakes.

Premature earthquakes hap-  
pen when nuclear explosions  
cause sonic vibrations similar to  
an earthquake, causing plate  
movement, which, in turn,  
causes earthquakes.

In fact, nuclear tests can be tied  
directly to certain seismic activ-  
ity. Within five days of every  
U.S. underground test in  
Nevada, there has been a one in  
three chance that an earthquake  
would hit a South Pacific nation,  
the Aleutian Islands of Alaska or  
Nevada. Over 1,800 nuclear  
bombs have been tested on the  
Earth since World War II, with  
an average of one bomb deto-  
nated every seven days for the  
past 25 years. Half of these tests  
have been in Nevada, creating  
the most violated part of land in  
the world.

Now, I have a question. Why  
test these bombs and destroy  
valuable land so we can feel safe  
and free of fear another coun-  
try?

Here's a few facts about cars  
I'll bet you didn't know: Cars are  
the biggest source of

Greenhouse gases and the  
largest single cause of ozone  
smog. Americans will drive the  
distance to the planet Pluto and  
back 364 times in 1990; nearly  
twice as many Americans have  
died on the highway than in all  
our wars since 1776; and oil con-  
sumption topped 225 billion gal-  
lons in 1989.

These facts may give you  
something to think about over  
the holidays, and please remem-  
ber, buckle up over the holidays  
while you travel, because if you  
die, it's forever.

I know you've heard of the en-  
dangered species list, but have  
you ever heard of the endan-  
gered rivers list? There is a list of  
the 10 most endangered rivers  
released by "American Rivers,"  
the nation's principal river-sav-  
ing organization.

On the most endangered list  
are the Klamath River in  
Oregon and the South Platte  
River in Colorado, the Penobscot  
River, Maine; American River,  
California; Alek River, Alaska;  
Tatshenshini River, Canada;  
Passaic River, New Jersey;  
Cahaba River, Alabama; Jemez  
River, New Mexico; and the  
James and Jarbidge rivers in  
Idaho.

You may have never heard of  
these rivers, but the damage  
done by people is destroying  
them by the second.

The walrus that live on the  
wild and remote coasts of west-  
ern Alaska may not be listed as  
an endangered species, but  
they'll soon qualify if local hunt-  
ing practices continue.

Eskimos have hunted the  
ivory-tusked mammals as food  
for themselves and their sled-  
dogs for centuries. But in the last  
decade, ever-increasing num-  
bers of walrus have been  
slaughtered not for food, but for  
their ivory. A pair of tusks is  
valued at up to \$1,500-\$2,000 on  
the black market.

Yes, there still is a black mar-  
ket, and the tusks are often ex-  
changed for drugs, creating the  
other Ivory wars. Why risk the  
life of an animal for the  
"ultimate high" or a center piece  
for the dining table?

With each new day, we learn  
from the mistakes of the past  
and must try to right the  
wrongs. If we do not, and just  
become as complacent as our  
fathers did, the world may die.  
That means we, the children of  
the 21st century, need to stand  
up and be counted, to become  
involved with the world around  
us. Start by taking affirmative  
action in your life. There are  
organizations and groups you  
can join. Many of these groups  
are in need of volunteers or  
other support.

These are just a few more of  
the thousands of things humans  
do to destroy this wonderful  
planet of ours. NEHI students, if  
you have any information about  
ecological misuse or animal  
misuse like the ones used in this  
column, please send them to me  
in room 9-3, Mrs. Williams.

Thanks, Dr. Doogie

## Drama teacher says role in Edward Scissorhands worth it

By Krystal Outman  
Staff Writer

"Cut let's do that over again,"  
said the director.

"Take 25," bellowed the un-  
known voice.

"I ran down that street 25  
times, actually 50, back and  
forth. In high heels!" said drama  
teacher Ellen Dennis. "I soaked  
my feet for four days after-  
ward."

In this way, Dennis describes a  
small part of her experiences  
playing a role in a new movie.

But was it worth it? Definitely.  
Northeast's own Ellen Dennis is a  
"neighbor lady" in director  
Tim Burton's latest film,  
"Edward Scissorhands," starring  
Johnny Depp (21 Jump Street)  
and Winona Ryder (Beetlejuice).

Supporting actresses were  
Dianne Wiest (Parenthood) and  
Ellen Dennis (Kinda).

Dennis' adventure started one  
day when her agent called to  
say her pictures had been sub-  
mitted to casting for a major  
motion picture and that she  
should be at auditions the fol-  
lowing day in Tampa.

After parading before the di-  
rectors, Dennis was chosen as a  
finalist. When the field was fi-  
nally narrowed down, she had a  
part in the movie.

For six weeks Dennis com-  
muted to the small sub-division  
called "Carpenters Run" in  
Pasco County to work on night  
shoots from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m.

Then she drove back to St.  
Petersburg to teach drama  
classes from 7:28 a.m.-2:38 p.m.  
almost every day.

Then Dennis' glamour days--  
not so glamorous after all; she  
talks about the hours of waiting  
and frustrations of "takes"--  
ended.

And the months of waiting to  
see her movie began.

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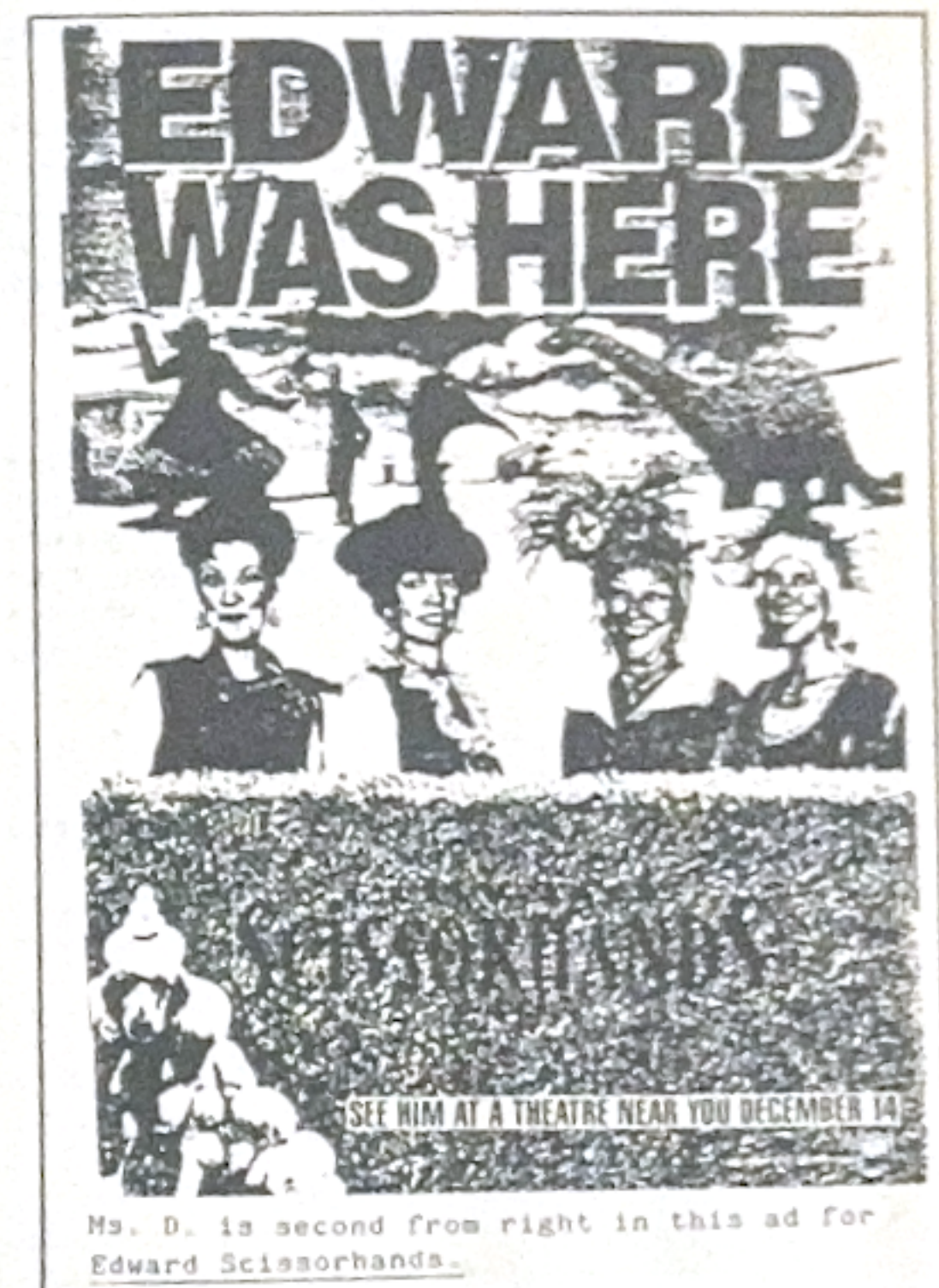
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Edward Scissorhands is the  
story of a boy puppet left unin-  
ished by his maker (Vincent  
Price) when the latter dies.

Scissorhands is found by the  
Avon Lady (Dianne Wiest) and  
is brought to her home to live.  
There he enjoys a normal life for  
the first time and makes friends  
with the "neighborhood" ladies  
by cutting their bushes and the  
hair of their dogs as well as  
styling their hair.

Scissorhands falls in love with  
the Avon lady's daughter and  
runs into trouble.

"You must see the movie to  
find out how it ends," Dennis

said.  
Dennis has been very sur-  
prised to find photos of herself  
in ads for the movie appearing  
in copies of People and Us ma-  
azines last month, but what  
"delighted" her the most was  
when she learned that some  
publicity photo is featured on the  
side of a New York City bus.

Dennis' other productions in-  
clude playing the frog in ger  
kindergarten school play. When  
she couldn't make frog noises,  
the director said she'd never  
amount to anything.

See "Edward Scissorhands,"  
which is playing in area theaters  
now, and judge for yourself.

## NEHI CARES

valued at  
approximately \$66,000 over the  
projected three-year length of  
the program. There will be no  
cost to the school.

A recommendation has been  
made to the county regarding a  
counselor, Howze said; Dec. 1  
was the target date for the pro-  
gram's inception. If that target

date has not been met, the pro-  
gram definitely will begin after  
winter break, Howze said.

Linda Jones, supervisor of  
substance abuse prevention  
programs and the contact per-  
son for NEHI CARES, has re-  
ceived letters of support for the  
program from many people and

institutions including: Everett S.  
Rice, sheriff of Pinellas County;  
HRS; Juvenile Welfare Board of  
Pinellas County; PAR; Ernest  
"Curt" Curtsinger, chief of po-  
lice; Alternative Human Ser-  
vices Inc.; Joseph F. Ferac, chief  
of campus police; and Robert L.  
Ulrich, mayor of St. Petersburg.

## Lend a hand

(continued from page 1)

operated mostly by volunteers.  
People seeking Christmas pre-  
sent aid are directed to see their  
social case worker or call the  
food stamp office if they receive  
food stamps. This organization is  
always in need of donations.

The student government of  
Northeast had a collection for  
students to donate used toys and  
games for this organization.

The Salvation Army, Centers  
Against Spouse Abuse and the  
Adopt-A-Family program also  
offer help year-round and are  
planning to make the holiday  
season special for the homeless  
and needy of our area. Many of  
these organizations work by  
volunteer help.





# Show no Mercy is wasted noise

Slayer/Show No Mercy

Ancient. That's all their is to say about this horrendous pile of wasted wax. The name Slayer is synonymous with death, blood and gore. Well, on "Show No Mercy", Slayer's good name should be synonymous with total noise and extreme stop.

On this 1983 debut release, Slayer took its own life. Regarded as the fastest album of 1983, the group began to take Europe by storm, rating only next to Metallica.

The album is pure brutality in every definition of the word. Musicianship on this platter is the worst I've ever heard. Kerry King and Jeff Hanneman must have gone into the studio with the thought, "let's make noise!" And that they did. Pure treble is all you can get from this record, no matter what size your speakers or how many bands your EQ has. Well, at least as the years went by Slayer got better.

Jetboy/Damned Nation

Blues-based, hard rock band Jetboy has fabricated the cliched rock album from the late 1980's and early 1990's on their release "Damned Nation".

Why they chose "Damned Nation" for a title beats me, because the title makes one believe the album is about social problems. Not so; just the cliched hard rock topics of girls, partying, fast cars, etc.

There are no really mega-talented people in this band. They play what the songs need, nothing more. The only ever-been-heard-of-before band member is Sam Yaffa, who once played with the glam-semi punk band Hanoi Rocks.

The songs all thrive on catchy hooks, solid beats, simple rhythms and radio-playable themes and ideas. Jetboy obviously comes from the same sewer as Guns N' Roses. Faster

Pussycat and L.A. Guns; a bunch of nobodies who really know how to rock.

## ΔΕΝ ΜΑΝΕΥΣ ΔΕΝ

By Mark Deanan  
Entertainment Editor



### Anthrax/Persistence of Time

Totally confused thrash mongrels Anthrax has released "Persistence of Time", bringing them even closer to the sound of real metal. Anthrax has gained many new fans with this release, but still remains very similar to a hardcore band, due to the fact that every song is just too fast, for no apparent reason.

There are some pretty ripping songs on the album, but each

one has the same beat and is based on the same chord progressions.

New musical influences have been included on this somewhat bland release. Every song sounds the same, except for the single "Got the Time." It's still fast, but is a bit more lively and relaxed, compared to the rest of the album. Some of the songs are about social topics, such as prejudice, but the majority of the songs are just about stupid topics.

"Persistence of Time" is a step forward for Anthrax, but the album still is anything but great.



## Need an excuse?!

By Krystal Outman  
Staff Writer

We all know that desperate feeling of trying to come up with a legitimate excuse for all sorts of unpleasant situations. Next time you find yourself in a spot, try one of these.

### YOU DIDN'T DO YOUR HOMEWORK....

"I forgot it in my locker, and my locker was stolen this morning by a band of pygmies with attitudes."

"My aunt Bertha from Yahoo Junction, Tenn., came for a visit and while gorging on a breakfast of two whole fryer chickens, eight eggs and three pounds of bacon, used my homework as a Handwipes."

### YOU WANT TO GET OUT OF A DATE....

"I'm migrating to Guam."

"I've got a communicable disease."

"My great uncle Harry from Brazil fell victim to a swarm of killer bees and left his banana plantation to me, so I have to go save it before it's ravaged by the dreaded spotted Amazon banana sucker."

### YOU CAME HOME AT 3 A.M....

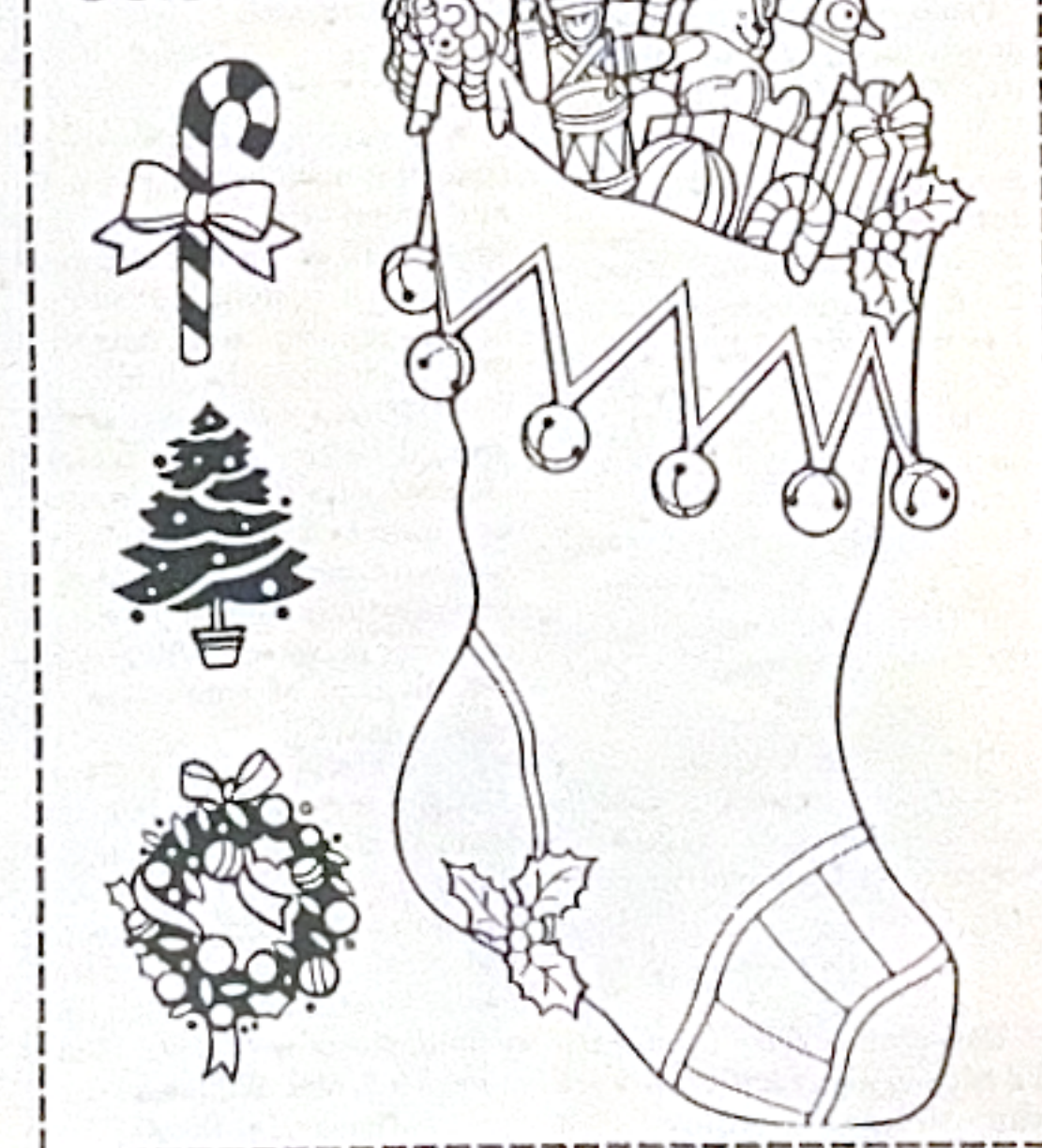
"The movie ran into overtime."

"I was kidnapped by Iranian terrorists while buying a box of Twinkies at Circle K and was forced to trim Omar Khadafi's ear hair at gunpoint."

### Top 10 Christmas Songs

1. Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer
2. Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer
3. Jingle Bells
4. The Twelve Days of Christmas
5. Santa Claus is Coming to Town
6. Silent Night, Holy Night
7. We Wish You a Merry Christmas
8. Frosty the Snowman
9. Jingle Bell Rock
10. Deck the Halls

### Color Me



### November Answers

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November  
indians  
yams  
bleeding  
Mayflower  
friends  
cranberry

Cornocopia  
corn  
stuffings  
pilgrims  
fall  
potatoes  
pie  
family

## On the screen...

Childs Play II (R)

\*1/2  
This sequel continues the story, but in an entirely different environment. The first film brought laughs and unexpected jumps, while the sequel brings only a lot of laughs. The idea of the first film was original, but the movie could have done without this sequel.

Three Men and a Little Lady (PG) \*\*\*1/2

The hilarious comedy continues with Tom Selleck, Ted Danson, and Steve Guttenberg in this sequel to Three Men and a Baby. This time the baby is a little older and she's ready to enter school. She and her three men learn about, some of the difficulties of early childhood. During the movie they go through the sorrows triumphs that many families face but, of course, in the end things all work out.

Misery (R)

\*\*\*\*  
The shock and horror is unleashed from another Stephen King book in this movie. A big-time author gets trapped in a small town, held captive by his "number one fan." She forces him to write a sequel to his latest book. While trapped in one room, he faces terror past his own imagining from the fan who plans to control him.

Home Alone (PG)

\*\*\*1/2  
A young Child decides he can get along without the hassles of his family and is left, by mistake, with the entire house to himself. It may sound exciting for a while, but he soon realizes how much he really loves his family. His parents can't catch a plane home for a few days, so he is left alone to defend his house and save it from burglars. This is definitely a comedy to see.

## Where was Jetboy?!

The concert on Nov. 3 should've been a good one. The bill was London Choirboy, Little Caesar and Jetboy.

Well, I arrived at Straut Park excited to see one of my most favorite bands, Jetboy. I got to be front of the stage 15 minutes before showtime. I looked up at a banner on stage, and saw Bleeding Hearts. Who is Bleeding Hearts?

Then this guy from 98 Rock came on stage and asked the crowd if it was excited to see the Bleeding Hearts, Heartless and Every Mother's Nightmare. I was like, "What the...Where's Jetboy?!" I felt ripped off, cheated and I was thoroughly angered, to say the least.

Then I thought to myself, "Hmmm, Every Mother's Nightmare is pretty good." I stayed in front of the stage for the Bleeding Hearts, which is

a bay area band. Considering I've never heard of the Hearts, the band arranged to keep my attention. That is they kept my attention for about a half-hour, then they got boring.

I can't tell you how Heartless was; I left and went to McDonalds. From what I heard as I was leaving, they weren't to good. I got back just as Every Mother's Nightmare got on stage.

Every Mother's Nightmare proceeded to rip through quite a few catchy songs. The only song I recognized in the first group of songs was, "When Your Walls Come Down." Then the singer talked a little bit, then they did another song. The song was pretty raging, but right in the middle of it, the singer started doing all the "get the audience hyped" stuff. That's cool and all, but after 10 minutes it gets really stale.

## Dear Roxanne

Dear Roxanne,  
For some reason, no one likes me. I like a girl in my English class but she always ignores me. I wear my Crackin' Good jeans and my pea green turtleneck at least three times a week to impress her, but she still is not turned on by my charm. Please help me.

Rejected

Dear Rejected,  
Right away, your problem is obvious. Don't be so pushy!! Backoff and pretend you're not interested anymore. That's sure to catch her attention.

Dear Roxanne,  
My boyfriend really likes football. The problem is, he is so brain-dead after practice, he often tackles me. Sometimes it really hurts. I've asked him to stop but he insists he is just playing around. How do I get him to understand my feelings?

Dear Tackled Up,  
Your boyfriend seems to be very inconsiderate of you and your feelings. Next time he tries to tackle you, give him a taste of his own medicine. He'll get the message.

Tackled Up

Dear Roxanne,

My parents are like so uncool. They dress like way-out, man. Like, I try to take and show them awesome clothes in the mall but they insist on looking nerdy. It's absolutely ruining my reputation. Like, can you help me?

Ruined Rep

Dear Ruined Rep,

Parents seem to have their own style. As long as they're happy with what they wear I wouldn't worry about it. What they wear should not affect who you are or respect for you from our friends.

## Auburn, others picked

Shawn Masters  
Sports Editor

'Tis the season to be jolly...and to pick who will win the college football bowl games. I've never caught a pass over the middle or been crushed by a 400-pound lineman. So, who could be more qualified to pick the winners?

**HALL OF FAME BOWL**—Clemson vs. Illinois. It won't be as good as last year's game between Auburn and Ohio State because everyone knows Auburn's wonderful. The only reason I mentioned this bowl at all is because it's across the bridge in Tampa. Clemson 1, Illinois 1 1/2. But it doesn't matter anyway because I'll be watching the Miami game.

**COTTON BOWL**—Texas vs. Miami. Even though Texas has a better overall record than Miami, the Longhorns better watch their backs because a Hurricane is in sight. Folks in

Florida know what that means. Miami 95, Texas 2.

**PEACH BOWL**—Indiana vs. Auburn. Considering that my closet is filled with Auburn finery, I probably shouldn't pick the winner (Auburn) because of my admitted bias. So, I'll leave this one to the experts (Auburn 45, Indiana 0).

**BLOCKBUSTER BOWL**—FSU vs. Penn State. Even though they bowed to mighty Auburn, the Seminoles should make trouble for Penn State. In fact, I predict a blockbuster smash for the tribe. FSU 21, Penn State 12.

**ROSE BOWL**—Washington vs. Iowa. The teams in this bowl I normally would consider boring and beneath my vast expertise. But, because Nor'easter adviser Sandy Williams is extremely fond of Iowa, I figure I have to predict the state's team to win to protect

my A. (After all, what would you do? This is a grade!) Iowa 7, Washington 6.

**FIESTA BOWL**—Louisville vs. Alabama (ugh). Any team that has a laundry detergent as its mascot doesn't deserve a capital letter. Louisville will take the tide and roll it through the winner. Oh, did I mention before that my favorite teams are Auburn and whoever is playing Alabama? Louisville 17, Alabama owes us points.

**ORANGE BOWL**—Colorado vs. Notre Dame. Being Irish, I better pick the boys who practice in the shadow of the Golden Dome. And besides, who wants to select a team from a state whose favorite son is John Denver? It will be Rocky Mountain low for Colorado when Irish "The Rocket" lands. Notre Dame 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1, Colorado 0 (blasted).

## Dedicated coach, teacher

By Amanda Lacy  
Co-features editor

One of the school's many dedicated teacher/coaches, Marshall Gotte has been teaching 17 years, spending eight of those here.

Gotte attended Fresno Pacific in Fresno, Calif.; Judson Baptist College, Portland, Or.; the University of Southern Maine and the University of California.

Gotte now is teaching Earth/Space Science and coaching girls' varsity

basketball. He's been a girls' basketball coach for 15 years. Gotte also has coached football, cross-country and soccer.

Dedicated to his team, Gotte spends 24 hours a week in practices and games.

"Teaching and coaching is the ultimate thing in life, the highest natural high anybody could have," Gotte said. He regards coaching as an extra period added onto his day, and said he enjoys both (teaching and coaching) because he's working with "super young adults."

Many of the girls Gotte has

coached in the past have gone on to college with scholarships. Included in that list are Edna Highsmith, St. Petersburg Junior College; Brandy Freedman, Florida Southern; and Wanda Bennett, now studying in Germany. Gotte keeps in touch with them by going to their basketball games to cheer them on.

Gotte has proved his coaching ability by receiving the Coach of the Year award in both 1970 and 1972. Gotte also was named Outstanding Young Man of America in 1969.

## Schedules

Boys' Soccer

12/19-----Largo  
12/10-----Boca Ciega B/G  
1/7-----Dixie Hollins  
1/11-----Tarpon Springs B/G  
1/17-----Dunedin B/G  
1/18-----Gibbs  
1/22-----Pinellas Park  
1/24-----Seminole  
1/25-----Largo  
1/28-----Dixie Hollins  
1/29-----Lakewood  
1/31,2/1-----TBA

Boys' Basketball

12/20-----Pinellas Park  
12/26-12/29 Suncoast Shootout  
Eckerd College  
1/3 1/4 St. Petersburg Junior  
College Holiday Tournament  
(SPHS v P. PK and NEHI  
v Bogie)  
1/8-----Dixie Hollins  
1/9-----Lakewood  
1/11-----Clearwater  
1/17-----Riverview  
1/18-----Dunedin  
1/22-----St. Pete  
1/25-----Countrywide  
1/29-----Boca Ciega  
1/30-----Ocala  
2/1-----Largo  
2/6-----Gibbs  
2/8-----Seminole  
2/12-----Dixie Hollins  
2/13-----Lakewood  
2/15-----St. Pete  
2/19-----Boca Ciega  
2/28-3/2-----District  
3/5-----Region  
3/14-3/26-----State

Girls' Basketball

12/20-----Dunedin  
1/7-----Dixie Hollins  
1/10-----Lakewood  
1/17-----Clearwater  
1/23-----Countrywide  
1/28-----St. Pete  
1/30-----Pinellas Park  
2/4-----Gibbs  
2/7-----Dixie Hollins  
2/11-----Lakewood  
2/21-23-----District  
2/26-----Region  
3/27-----Section  
3/7-9-----State

Girls' Soccer

12/21-----Largo  
12/20-----Boca Ciega B/G  
1/7-----East Lake  
1/8-----Countrywide  
1/11-----Tarpon Springs B/G  
1/17-----Dunedin B/G  
1/22-----Pinellas Park  
Play-Off Game TBA



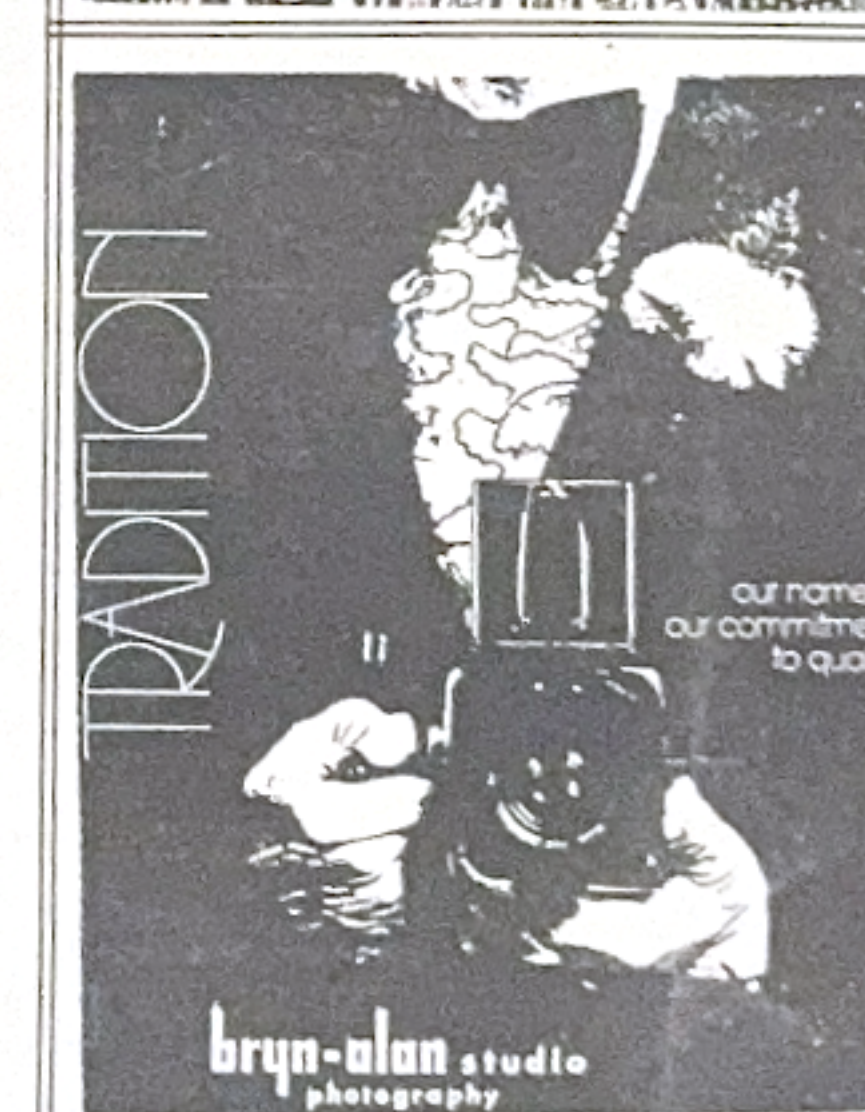
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# Wrestlers prep for season

By Chris Smith  
Staff Writer

On any given day of the week, you see a varsity or junior varsity wrestler working out or jumping rope. However, there's a lot more to wrestling practice.

Varsity and junior varsity wrestlers begin their athletic "day" after a grueling day of math and science, in the weightlifting room. There they start off with 15 to 20 minutes of jump rope, then go right into weightlifting. The wrestlers lift for about 35 minutes.

Next, it's off to the track, where the wrestlers run a mile before they start windsprints and stadium laps.

Then the real practice begins.

In the wrestling room, the athletic wrestle, hard, for about an hour and a half. It's 95 degrees in that room and there are no rest periods.

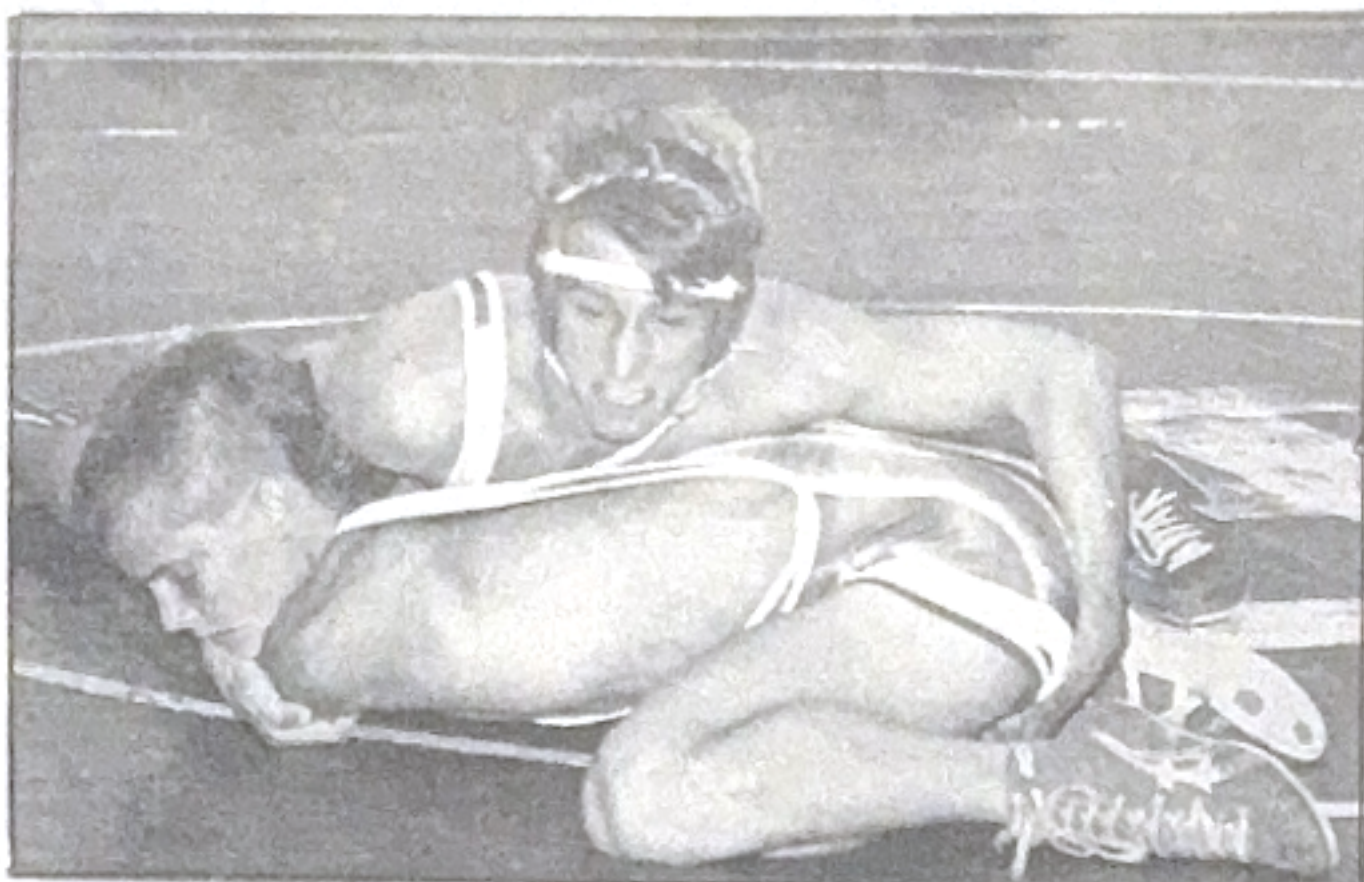
"This is one of the best groups I've had in my 17 years of coaching" varsity coach Bill Dudley said. "These guys respond well to challenges and they respect my judgement. Not too many teens nowadays will listen to an adult with advice, but they do," he added.

"Wrestling isn't a sport you'd want to just jump into. You have to have the heart and will to go that extra mile to win," said Bryan Ballew, JV wrestler.

Wrestling is a very competitive sport and it rivals football in popularity.

"Wrestling is the toughest sport in high school," coach Dudley said. "Football has rest periods between quarters and at halftime, but wrestling doesn't. There's six minutes in the match and if your lucky, you may get to breath between periods," he added.

Although it's tough, and wrestlers may want to stop and



NEHI wrestler Kenney Allen attempts a pin against his opponent.

rest, they can't. Wrestling is a solo sport; wrestlers can't rely on someone else.

"You don't lose because Joe dropped the ball," said Chris Sulimay, senior wrestler.

"The best thing about wrestling is it's one on one. If you lose you lose; if you win you win. It's all up to you," added Andy Reid four-year wrestling veteran.

Wrestling also calls for a strict diet. The weight class in which a wrestler is classified doesn't change because a wrestler is three-fourths of a pound over the limit. If a wrestler is over his weight, he doesn't wrestle. Before each meet the wrestlers weigh in.

Then they're ready to prove that all their work and sacrifice have paid off. As the wrestlers get ready for their next meet, they say their prayers and go over their moves in their mind. Once they're on the mat, they need to think quick or get beaten.

The wrestlers compete in a ring about a 20 feet in diameter and the object is to pin the opponent or score more points

than the competition.

The teams' first meet was Dec. 4, at home, against Lakewood. The wrestlers

showed spirit and poise in their victory. Their next home meet is on Jan. 10. Junior varsity wrestling matches start at 6:15 p.m. varsity right after.

Last year the wrestlers had a winning season, and they hope to do it again.

"Fan support is what gets us pumped up. The more we have, the better we wrestle," said Tony Swain, co-captain of the team this year.

The schedule for the rest of the year goes as follows:

Dec. 21-22 Patriot Invitational  
Pinellas Park  
Jan. 8 Gibbs -----Away  
Jan. 10 Clearwater-----Home  
Jan. 12 Plant City-----Away  
Jan. 18-19 PCAC Tournament-----  
Countrywide High  
Jan. 22 Tarpon Spings---Home  
Jan. 24 Dunedin-----Home  
Jan. 25 Seminole-----Home  
Jan. 29 Dixie Hollins-----Away  
Jan. 31 East Lake-----Home  
Feb. 1 Boca Ciega-----Home  
Feb. 9 Districts-----Home  
Feb. 15-16 Regional-----TBA  
Feb. 22-23 State-----West Palm



Beth Cohen



Evelyn Finklea

## Swimmers have success at state

By Betsy Graham  
Co-news editor

After wrapping up their successful season, some members of the swim team excelled in districts and went on to state in Orlando on Nov. 16.

Karl Nousiainen swam in the individual 200-meter freestyle swim and swam his best time yet. Beth Cohen also swam individual 100-meter butterfly, swimming it in 1:05.5.

Evelyn Finklea went to state in the 200 freestyle and impressively swam her way to alternates. Dave West competed in diving, winning ninth place.

Others who went to state were involved in relays. The girls swam in the 200 freestyle relay and the 400 freestyle relay. In the group were Beth Cohen, Evelyn Finklea, Luran Stitt and

Debbie Domal. They swam their way to seventh place and set school and county records. The girls' 400 free relay missed the school record by three-fourths of a second and placed 12th overall at state.

Karl Nousiainen, Dan Ivory, Mike Pedlow and Ty Thompson swam the 400 freestyle relay. They dropped two seconds from their time.

The swim team finished the season third in Conference, City Champs, sixth in districts and had the best dual meet schedule in five years.

Coach Bill Burrows was very pleased with the swimmers' performances this season and at state. He said he is not losing a lot of swimmers (to graduation) this year, and is expecting an impressive season next year.

## Sports Digest

### Basketball

The girls' basketball team is ready for a dynamic year, led by Samatha Jones and Nicole Ross, both team captains; Jackie Hooker, Elizabeth Reed and Robin Haas.

Coach Marshall Gotte said, "We're giving it 110 percent

and we're going to play fast break basketball with 32 minutes of pressure."

The very young team practices intensely six days a

week, two hours a day, preparing for the season ahead.

Gotte expects the first half of the season to be extremely rough but he said that in the second half, "we should be good as any one in state."

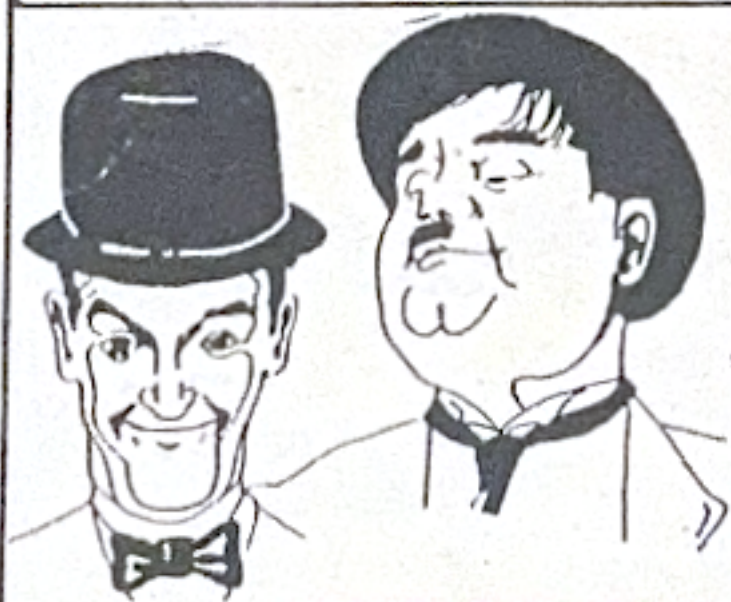
"They're getting better every practice and improving every game," said Gotte.

The season officially opened Nov. 13 against Clearwater Central Catholic.

### Thanks

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