

Spirits are rising at NEHI



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## Homecoming in the works

By Lana Chiariello  
Editor-in-Chief

This year's Homecoming festivities will begin Oct. 26 and will continue for a week culminating with the Homecoming dance which will occur on Halloween night, Oct. 31. As of now, no definite plans have been set as to where the dance will take place.

"The dance is on the school calendar as being Saturday night in the gym. Whether or not the circumstances change is yet to be seen and it is totally up to the kids. We do know for sure that Mr. Zachary does not want to be a formal dance," said Pat Coldiron, student government sponsor.

Monday through Friday will be

homecoming dress up days. The Student Government Association will be voting on the themes for the dress up days (i.e. nerd day, red and white day).

Thursday night will be Valhalla. This has been a tradition at Northeast for many years. Each club and class will make a float with their own materials. On Thursday night, there will be the float parade and faculty member will judge this. The winners will be announced and then on the night of the Homecoming game, the winner will have an opportunity to reappear around the football field. Also that night the powder puff cheerleaders will be voted on. Each class has guys volunteer to be powder puff cheerleaders. They dress up in

cheerleading uniforms, wear make-up and cheer for their class during the Valhalla festivities.

The contests among the classes have not yet been decided on, but they will be somewhere along the lines of tricycle races, sack races, etc.

On Friday night, the Northeast varsity football team will be playing NEHI's rival school, St. Petersburg High School.

Many other activities go on at this same time. Students will have quite a few assemblies during this period. One important event that will happen beginning this month and ending Halloween night will be the choosing of the Homecoming court and the King and Queen. Twenty

seniors will be chosen by their classmates: 10 girls will be nominated for queen and 10 boys will be nominated for king. Students in grades 9-11 will choose one prince and one princess per grade.

Voting will follow the same procedure as last year. Students will go into their homeroom on Tuesday, Sept. 29, to vote. On Thursday, Oct. 29, there will be schoolwide assemblies to view all the candidates for king and queen, princes and princesses. Seniors will vote that same day for king and queen during their lunch periods. The 1987 Homecoming Queen will be announced during halftime of the Homecoming game; the king will be announced at the dance on the following night.

## New school policies in effect

By Lana Chiariello  
Editor-in-Chief

As students and teachers were welcomed back to school, they were also welcomed with a few new policies.

To begin, the grading scale has changed. The original scale: 100-94, "A"; 93-85, "B"; 84-75, "C"; 74-70, "D" and 69-0, "F" has been changed. The change only affects the "D" and the "F". A "D" is now 74-65 which lowers the "F" to 64 and below. The change is beneficial to students, because it makes the assignment, test or class more difficult to fail.

Another change is in the detention policy. Instead of detentions being assigned Monday through Thursday after

school, they will now only be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school. Despite the way it has been run in the past years, detention now will be something students will dread. In the past, students wandered into detention hall and sat and talked to their friends. Roll call was called, students were threatened with suspensions if they did not "shut-up", and then they were dismissed. Now detention is strictly a study hall which will last an entire hour, instead of the previous 10-40 minutes.

Still, yet other changes are the reasons a student can get a detention. The biggest reason: tardiness. If a student walks through a teachers classroom threshold one tenth of a second late, he is given a detention and his parent receives a call

from his teacher for the first offense. On the third offense, the assistant principal is notified and calls the parent and on the fourth offense, the student is subject to suspension.

Another reason a student will receive a detention is if he is found off limits. On the first offense he will receive two detentions and the second offense will result in an in-school suspension. A student found leaving campus will receive a one-day suspension and on the second offense he will receive three days out of school.

Finally, the governor did pass a bill which states that students graduating this year will not be required to have a 1.5 GPA, but the class of 1989 will.

## Interact sponsor named

By Jeff Allen  
News Editor

Jerry Hiers is the new sponsor for NEHI's all male service club, Interact. Hiers teaches American government at NEHI and also sponsors Future Educators of America.

The Interact club started off this year having no sponsor. Harry Brown, Interact's sponsor last year, left for St. Pete High School. The job of Interact sponsor was open until the beginning of the school year.

According to Hiers, nobody had accepted the job until there was less than one week before school started. "I told myself that if no one had agreed to be a permanent sponsor of Interact by the next morning, I would," explained Hiers. "The next morning the job was still open, so I took it."

Detective Marshall will also be helping out with the club, stated Hiers.

"Interact is a big club, handles lots of money, and is a big responsibility," Hiers said. "Harry Brown did a wonderful job, and as young as he was, and as old as I am, I hope I can fill his shoes." Hiers also added that he looks forward to the responsibility.



Jerry Hiers was one of the many teachers who got all decked out for last year's Beach day.

## Godfrey and Rudisill make a switch

By Lana Chiariello  
Editor-in-Chief

Howard Godfrey and Larry Rudisill have traded places this school year. Godfrey, who used to be in charge of the Intervention Center (formerly titled the "time-out room"), has resumed the job of activities director. Rudisill is now in charge of the Intervention Center after being the activities director in past years.

The reason for the change? "I needed something different. Being the activities director takes a lot of responsibility," said Rudisill.

The switch had taken place just when the changes were made in the Intervention Center. The center is now more like a study hall for students with in-school suspensions, instead of a place where hot-tempered and problem students could go to cool off and talk about what was bothering them.

"We're hoping that students will start going back to and utilizing the school psychologist," said Rudisill.

The job of activities director is nothing new for Godfrey. Some time ago Godfrey held this position.

## News Digest

### Hall of Fame

Every year, the Viking Log features a group of students known as the Senior Hall of Fame. These 10 seniors are judged on their leadership, character and service and must have at least a 2.0 grade point average. Ten nominations from all faculty members were submitted to Jill Dileanis, senior class sponsor on September 16.

### Center Update

More than 200 new books recently have arrived at the media center; they will be available for use in approximately three weeks.

Also new at the media center is Lynne Warnock, media aide, who joins the staff consisting of Shelia Chalki, media specialist; Gil Jackson, A-V specialist; and Betty Robinson, media aide.

The media center is open from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. The center will not be open any evenings this year. Students are invited to use the center during all lunch periods. Lunch pass forms are available at the media center; a pass must be signed by a teacher. Library cards are free; replacement cards cost \$1.

### Learning Greek

Learning about Greek traditions from residents of Tarpon Springs is the goal of the field trip planned for Sept. 29 by the 15 members of the Humanities class taught by Betsy Boyd.

The students will meet with residents of Tarpon Springs who have migrated to the U.S. to learn about traditions of the Greek culture, the areas from which the residents migrated and about modern Greek cultural activities in conjunction with the class' study of ancient Greece.



# Thank-you, founding fathers!

By Lana Chiariello  
Editor-in-Chief

With everyone else celebrating the 200th birthday of the United States Constitution, the *Nor'easter* would like to join the celebrating, also.

Without our sacred Constitution, especially our basic Bill of Rights, you would be sitting doing absolutely nothing right now. Do you know why? If you don't have a clue, we'll tell you. If it wasn't for the First Amendment, the *Nor'easter* would not exist. Isn't that a terrible thought?

In case you are a little shaky on your Bill of Rights, we'll provide you the text:

**The First Amendment**  
Freedom of Religion, Speech, and the Press; Right of Assembly and Petition

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Basically, what all of this mumbo-jumbo means is that when you wake up in the morning, you should thank God you're an American. When you say the Pledge of Allegiance in the morning, it should not be said in a sleepy trance, it should be said with overwhelming pride. When you sing the national anthem, tears should come to your eyes.

Why? Well, if you must ask, we'll tell you. First of all, in some countries there is one established religion. If you do not believe as the government dictated, you are stuck.

Probably the most important part of the Constitution to high school students is this: The freedom of speech. Most of us walk around with so much hot air, we could float up to the ceiling. Can you imagine walking around the campus and not being able to comment on anything? All the teachers would be dictators and tyrants and we would get ulcers.

Another important factor is freedom of the press. How the heck are you supposed to know what's going on if you couldn't pick up the St. Pete Times in the morning or turn on Tom Brokaw at 6 p.m.? You'd hear things by word of mouth. Have you ever played the game "telephone"? By the time 20 people pass a message along, it gets so screwed up that you just have to laugh. Can you imagine the millions of people in America playing the game everyday? What would most of us have done this summer without freedom of the press? We would have spent many a boring summer day without Ollie North and his goofy little smile. Sure the Iran-Contra hearings were long and exaggerated, but it is better to have the opportunity to know what is going than to not have that opportunity at all.

Next, the right of the people peaceably to assemble. Now, we all know that a bunch of hysterical high school students never peaceably assemble, but at least we can if we ever felt the sudden urge. Seriously, there would be no student government, no Hi-Y, no service clubs, no elections, no campaign posters, no morning announcements (some teachers may like that), no nothing. Basically, there would be no opportunities to express your ideas.

Last, the right to petition for a redress of grievances. No petitions to the school board or even to the senior class president. If you don't like it, lump it, because you're certainly not going to change it. That is what your life would be like.

If you remember any of the words written in the Constitution, remember this one: FREEDOM, because that is what you are lucky enough to experience everyday.

Of course, there is only one disadvantage to the Constitution. If there wasn't one, I'd be sleeping right now instead of being up at 3 a.m. writing this editorial, hoping to make the deadline. But you know something? I truly think it is worth it.

## Locker lunacy

When the seniors came to school this year, they were met with a surprise. Everyone anticipated that each senior would get a big locker in the "senior section" of Building 17. In fact, that is what most students look forward to in their senior year. Unfortunately, seniors learned that since there were so many students in the school (almost 1,000 freshmen!), there were not enough lockers to go around. So...the administration put a scheme together which we think was not well thought out. The administration, in all of their wisdom, decided that each senior should share a locker. But here's the catch: a senior can only share a locker with someone in their homeroom.

We feel it is reasonable to ask a senior to share a locker with someone, because they end up doing it anyway because by the time a student gets to his senior year, he has at least one friend to share it with.

The key word there is friend and this is where we feel the administration made its mistake. Suppose a new student comes to school and doesn't know a soul in his homeroom. What is he supposed to do? If a stranger shared with someone who is dishonest, all his possessions would be in jeopardy. A locker, we thought, was supposed to be a place where you could keep all your valuable possessions. A senior's locker partner could easily give the lock combination out to five different people and then



everything would be stolen.

The administration suggests that students don't keep valuable belongings in their lockers, but isn't it the administration that tells us to keep our candy in the lockers during candy sales? What is to happen to stolen candy? Will a student be held responsible for missing articles such as this, when they were forced to share a locker with someone untrustworthy in the first place? We feel that it would be the administration's fault if this happened, because of the poor planning that

went into it.

During the panic in the first week of school, Assistant Principal Richard Sweeney made an announcement which stated that he was sure the seniors would figure everything out in the next couple of weeks. We feel that we should not have to wade through the confusion. The administration should either plan to purchase more lockers, or they should think of a better way which is fair to everyone and in the best interests of all students (especially the seniors).

## Spirits rising at NEHI

It seems that school spirit is definitely on the rise at NEHI. At first, with the many new rules and hassles, it seemed as though this was going to be a bad year. Now that most students have adjusted (but not forgotten), there is hope for the most spirited year ever.

1987 is definitely the year for ideas. Beginning with the senior class, they have begun a project called spirit squares. Every game that Northeast plays, there will be a competition among the classes to see who has the most spirit. Each class can put an unlimited amount of money in a jug during lunch. Every twenty-five cents received will buy that particular class three spirit squares. Each class has a different color spirit square. When all the money is in, they will be pasted over a picture of the opposing team's mascot. Whichever class has the most spirit squares to cover up the mascot (for example, green devil) wins and gets to keep the money raised. Each week will have a different mascot to cover up.

Another great idea belongs to the sophomore class. NEHI boxer shorts. This idea is good because boxer shorts are a fad with high school students, so why not make money off of a craze, advertise your school and build up school spirit at the same time? That is exactly what Erin Chase, sophomore class president, is doing.

The seniors have decided to take on another spirit/decoration project which will improve the looks of the school. They are painting VIKINGS ARE 1 in the cafeteria.

The Anchor club is also selling spirit balloons to encourage more school spirit. They come in both red and white.

School spirit can not be expected to be at an all time high at the beginning of the year, and right around homecoming is when the school is unified.

With Homecoming comes many, many fundraisers which are geared at raising the school spirit. Still if you don't have a lot of money to spend, it does not take much effort to wear red and

white on Fridays and cheer as loud as can be at pep rallies and games.

A good football team is one factor of having lots of school spirit, and one way to boost the football team is to attend all the games.

What makes our school great is how much spirit sweeps through NEHI's hallways. Our school can be the greatest if we can get a feeling of pride in being a Viking. So, make an effort. If everyone shows their spirit a little, Northeast can become one. Go out of your way to act proud and like the sophomores and the Beach Boys say, "...Be true to your school."

I think school spirit is at a good level for the third week, but I would like to see it increase as the semester progresses.

I would like to see more pep assemblies to get more students excited about school.

I believe school spirit is very important to a high school. It is what makes one school better than another. Spirit comes from the involvement of the students.

# We've got spirit, yes we do!



Heather Bolton

I think it is at a very low level, but I can see that in some students, some sort of spirit wants to come out. But there is something there holding it back. When we (the cheerleaders) go to other schools and see the spirit and fun there, it is really depressing. It seems all their students participate in all chants and cheers throughout the whole game, unlike the students at NEHI. Also, we have very little or practically no attendance at away games. The football team needs support wherever they are. Also, in other aspects besides football, spirit lacks. During pep assemblies, only a few "daring" students yell and scream, while the rest of the school sits there, but hopefully this will all change!



Arlene Siciliano

To strengthen the spirit in our school I feel more activities involving everyone should be started.



Diane Aspinall

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The senior varsity cheerleaders have answered one of the following questions about school spirit:

At what level do you think school spirit is right now?

Being the top spirit leaders in the school, what can you do to broaden school spirit?

What does school spirit mean to you?



## Viking Views

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## Spirit Views

Photos by Lana Chiariello



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Active participation, following up on the school's events and wanting to come to school. Maybe some of our senior friends from last year graduated but they made the best of their school years, and so should we. If everyone took part in the school activities, we could push our school spirit up to the very top. Without school spirit, where will the fun come from? So, take a step up and show everyone your spirit. Just think, school could be fun one day with your help. GO VIKES!



Suzi Griffiths

School spirit means getting out, participating in all school related activities and really supporting Northeast. Going to school everyday would be a lot easier and even fun if everyone had that Viking spirit.



Elizabeth Moore

Get everyone to be an individual. Just because a friend isn't being spirited doesn't mean you can't either. A friend will look up to you if you are different and daring. Do stop being a follower and become a leader, and everyone will follow you. This way NEHI will remain No. 1!

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During one of the pep rallies to boost school spirit, students from the audience show theirs by participating in the Pie-Eating Contest.



Students shout their enthusiasm at a pep rally.



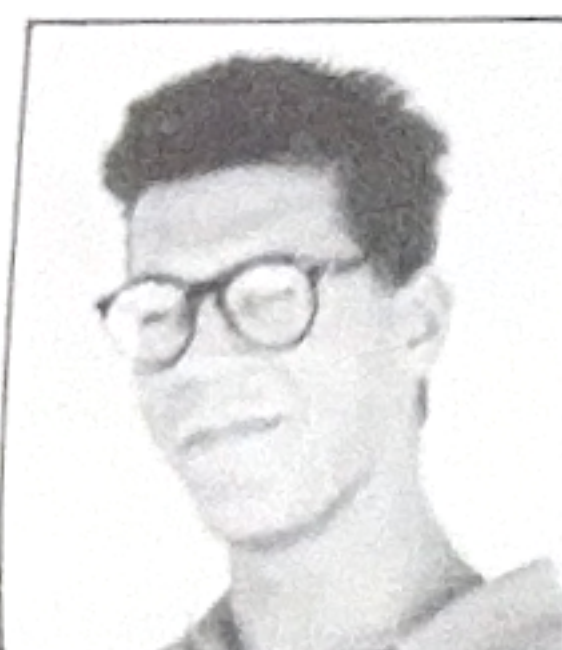
# Salut les amis!

NEHI welcomes exchange students

By Carrie Kosarek  
Art Editor

Northeast, this year, could be called the Melting Pot. From all across Europe, foreign exchange students have now made NEHI their home. Each month, the Nor'easter will be featuring two exchange students. This issue meet Fabienne Herichard and Laurent Pirard.

Fabienne Herichard, a 17 year old French student involved in the Educational Foundation For Foreign Study (EF), is now a senior at Northeast.



Fabienne Herichard

can go to college with it if passed," said Herichard.

"Here classes are easier, tests are easier too. It's 'cooler' than my high school," said Herichard.

According to Herichard, there is not a "typical" life of a French teenager. During the week, the days are spent at school and afterwards on homework and/or extracurricular activities. On Wednesday afternoons, teenagers can be found shopping, participating in sports, or meeting with friends and going out. On the weekends, many go out with friends to the movies, bowling, parties, restaurants and the disco. In France, the disco begins at 11:00 p.m. and people can be found dancing until the early hours of morning.

Herichard's future plans include returning to France to spend time with her family and friends. After the completion of

When asked what she likes most about NEHI so far, Herichard replied, "It's too soon to say what I like most here but I like the atmosphere. I don't feel like I'm in school, maybe because it's new for me, but I like it VERY MUCH!"



Laurent Pirard

"I would like to say thank you to the teachers and students who are so nice with us and help us, they are so friendly," said Herichard. Herichard was accepted as an honorary member into the Rojan Service Club.

Laurent Pirard, 18, also involved in the Educational Foundation for Foreign Studies Program, has come to Northeast from Belgium. High school in Belgium is very different. The building itself, 75 years old, holds 1600 students from first to twelfth grade. There are different parts in the building for the 1-6, 7-8, 9-10 and 11-12 grades. Because of this, you often do not meet people in the grades lower than yours. The lessons begin at 8:30 a.m. to 4:10 p.m. but there are two breaks throughout the day. At lunch time, an hour and

twenty minutes, you are allowed to leave the school to eat in town with friends. On Wednesday afternoons there is not school.

In Belgium, a lot of attention is paid to cars, girls and clothes according to Pirard.

"All is different, the town, the car, the people, the way of life."

Many teenagers often go dancing from 12:00 p.m. to 4 or 5 in the morning. Before 12, teens can be found together at restaurants or parties. Unlike in America, in order for you to have your driver's license, you must be 18, on the other hand, there is not an age limit for drinking. Many participate in sports such as tennis, squash, and windsurfing. Here at Northeast, Pirard is a member of the Viking swim team.

When school is over, Pirard plans to return to Belgium to attend a university for five years and major in Economic Engineering. Following that, he plans to return to the United States for two years to obtain a Master (MBA) in Economics and then back to Belgium for military duty.

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# The band deserves a hand

By Greg Basham  
Staff Writer

Have you ever wondered why the students in the band have such great tans when they come back to school? It is not because they run down to the beach the last week of summer to catch upon last rays.

The band gets its suntan from six straight days of band camp. Band members arrive at school at 10 each day of the last week of summer and they practice until 9 p.m.

What does the band do at camp for 11 hours a day? Here is the schedule.

At 10 band members go straight to the practice field where they begin with the morning stretch-out. This takes about 30 minutes and exercises every part of the body. They then proceed to have marching rehearsal, which can contain two things. They can work on drill (what you watch at halftime) or they can work on basics (the style the band uses when marching). The band stays out on the field until about 1 p.m.

At this time the band takes a

45-minute lunch break. This break is the members' chance to cool off, to relax, and to eat before they start sectional rehearsals.

When 1:45 p.m. rolls around, the students go into sectionals. Woodwinds, brass, percussion and color guard all go to a designated area with their individual instructors. This rehearsal goes on until 5:45 p.m. for dinner break.

At 7:15 p.m., the band goes back outside until 9 p.m. for another marching rehearsal. Finally, at about 9:15, the band members go home. The following day they come and run through the schedule again—and again and again for a solid week.

When school starts in the fall, rehearsal time obviously changes. For the first week of school there are rehearsals from 3:15–6:30 p.m. After the first week, rehearsals are on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:15–6:30 p.m.

Some people who hear the band wonder about the choice of music the band plays. Most parents want to hear John Phillip Sousa or Karl King, who

are the "grandfathers" of marching music. Today's bands choose music that is popular with today's audience and music which is at a "greater level" than the old, popular tunes. Today's music is "thicker" (meaning more sounds are heard) and has what some might consider a better sound.

Some schools play music movies—themes from Star Trek, Superman and Battle Star Gallatica, for example. These are all songs most people have heard. Northeast is different in this sense.

The NEHI band plays music that people don't hear every day, because the band director, Greg Martin, has more than just entertainment in mind. "I like to pick music that is entertaining and enjoyable to listen to. However, my primary concern is education, and I try to pick music that will challenge the band members all 12 weeks of the season," Martin said.

"I also try to take the band's personality into consideration. This year's band has shown me some real maturity, so therefore



After spending most of their time together, band members become brotherly.

the show is going to be mature," Martin said.

This year's show is a collection of Leonard Bernstein pieces. Bernstein is most commonly known for writing the music for "West Side Story." The band will be playing music from the "Mass," which is another play. The opener is "Carmina Burana," which some may recognize from the movie "Omen." The chorale, or slow song, is called "Make Our Garden Grow," and the middle of the show is called "Mass." The tag or end of the show is called

"Rocky Point." The result is quite a show, Martin said, and is considered to be the hardest being played by bands in the county.

This year, as halftime comes around, instead of getting up to go get a hot dog or going to see "Suzie," the band asks fans to just take a minute to listen. They may like what they hear and see.

The Vikings always strive for excellence, and with excellence comes excitement. The Viking band promises both, band members believe.

# Kiki Damrom is watching you

By Melissa McCracken  
Staff Writer

Kiki Damrom was recently chosen for the job of campus monitor. The job was created when Northeast was "administratively remodeled," said Richard Misenti, assistant principal.

Damrom's chief function is "to maintain and preserve a secure physical and working environment necessary for the safe and

productive conduct of the school's educational process," according to the school board's guidelines.

As campus monitor, Damrom will have to look for potentially harmful situations which could somehow affect the school grounds, the facilities, enrolled students and faculty members. She is to maintain a safe and orderly environment for the students of NEHI to work in. Damrom may also assist in investigations in which staff

members or security officers may need her help. She is responsible for the completion of oral and/or written incident and referral reports. She is also responsible to file these reports with the assistant principals.

Damrom, who is the daughter of Dee Damrom, Principal Tom Zachary's secretary, was needed "basically for the size of the school alone," Campus Detective, Bill Marshall said, "and to help control students on campus."



Kiki Damrom

Bazuco:  
and it's  
not gum!

Authorities fear that another by-product of cocaine will become popular with teens, leading to more addictions and deaths.

Crack, or rock cocaine, a very pure, smokeable form of cocaine that is highly addictive, has already become a problem in the St. Petersburg area, and now a new product has just begun to surface, according to law officials.

The new by-product—called Bazuco—is a very crude form of cocaine but is inexpensive and easier to smoke. The dark colored, paste-like substance is the refined form of cocaine that is just beginning to surface in Florida. Bazuco, although a different form of cocaine, still has the same effects on the body as crack, and is also as dangerous as crack, authorities state.

# Give Hi-Y the "High-five"

By Karen Goldson  
Staff Writer

NEHI's new Hi-Y club is sponsored by Michelle Timmel, who said she is looking forward to a "great year." The 1987-1988 executive board, announced in the August 31 issue of the Nor'easter, has been changed and now is as follows: Brian Murphy, president; Dolores Leave, vice president; Heather Bolton, treasurer; and Shannon

Langford, secretary. Nominations for the advisory board were taken at the group's first meeting and voting will take place at the second meeting. Meetings will be held every other Tuesday.

The Hi-Y club is affiliated with the Y.M.C.A. There are three service projects undertaken each year; projects which benefit the community, school and the Y.M.C.A.

The Hi-Y club at Northeast is the only one in St. Petersburg. If

the club is successful, as Timmel expects it to be, the club will charter chapters in other schools in county.

During the course of the year there are Hi-Y conventions set up to help students get involved in government. One of the conventions is called "Youth in Government." This convention is a statewide meeting that is held in Tallahassee in November. Students are involved in an orientation and a pre-legislative

process. The meetings during this convention are held in the legislative chambers of the capital. The second convention, held during the school year is called "The Series of Values Conference." This conference is a mini-retreat held on one weekend in December which lasts two days and two nights in WeWa, near Orlando.

There are summer retreats in which students can become involved in also.

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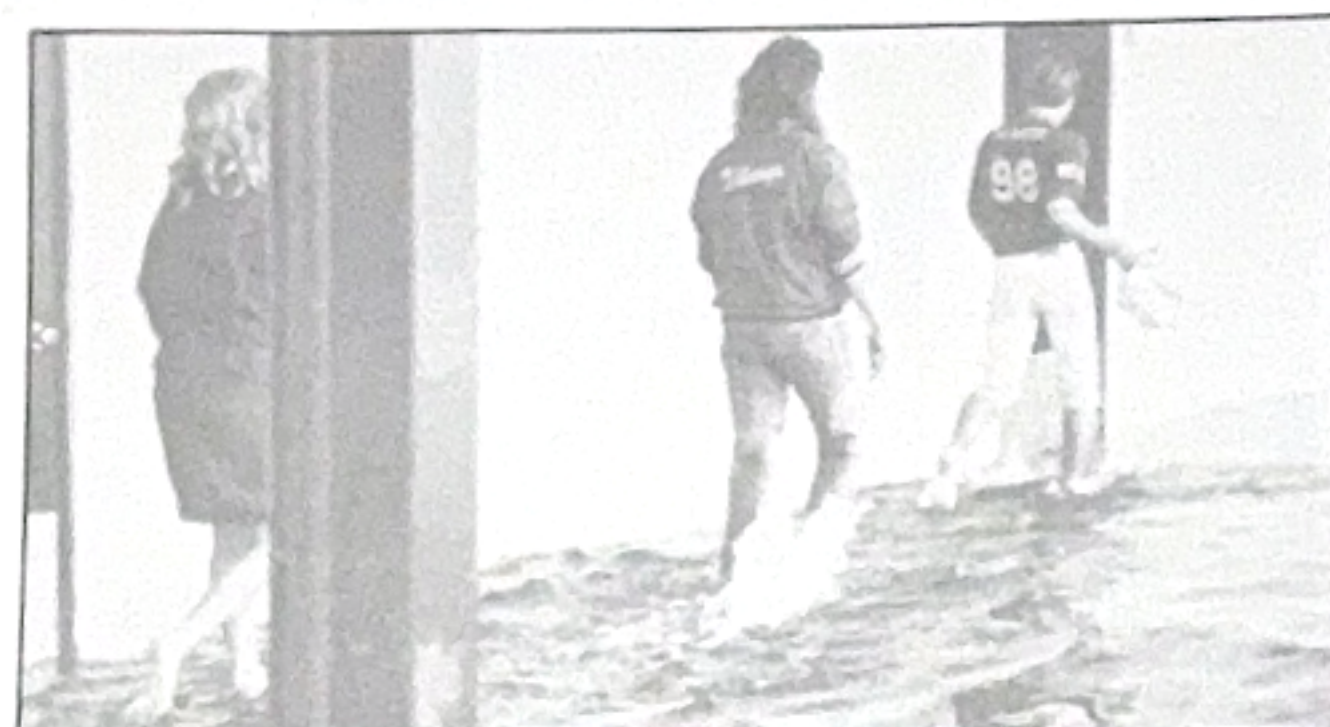
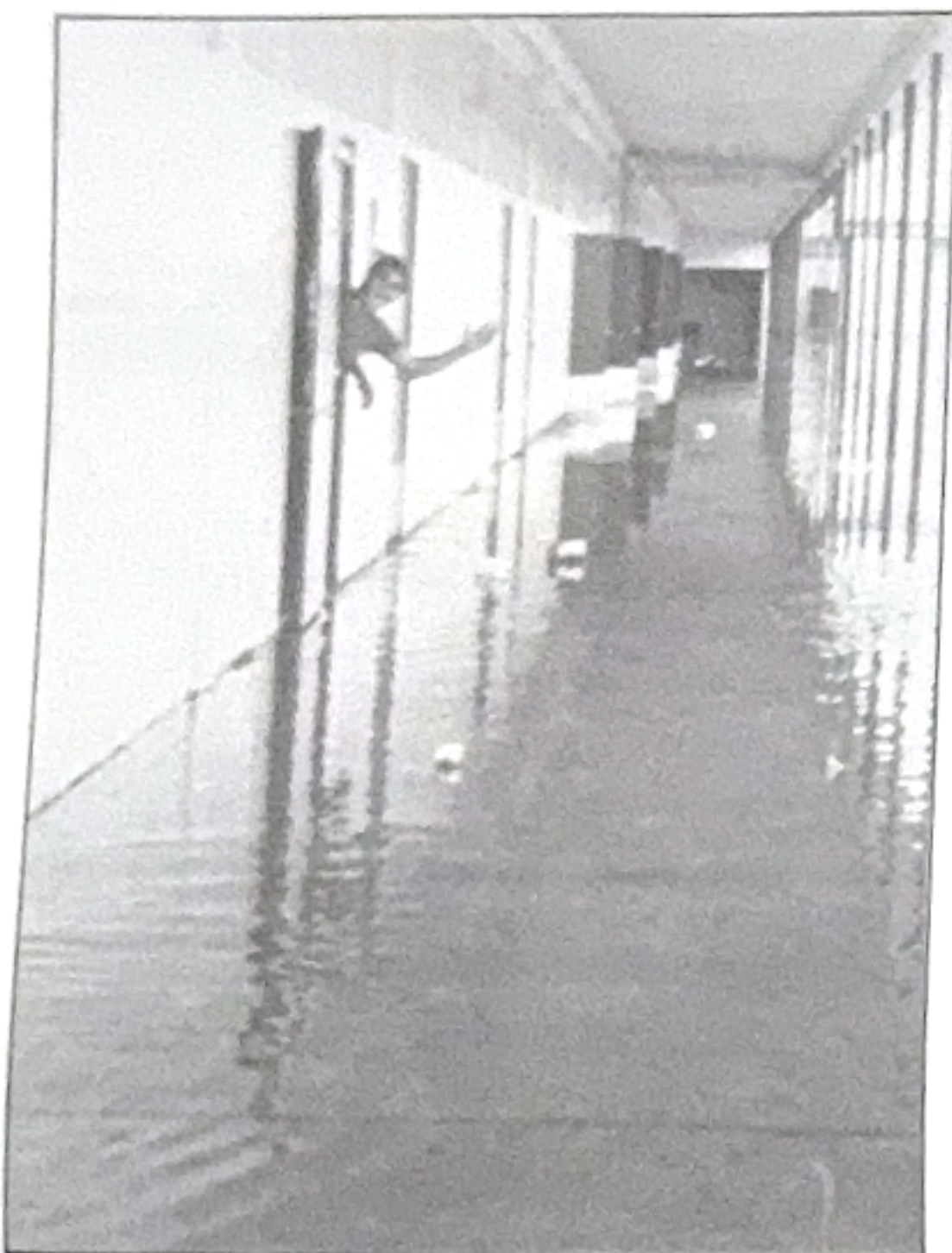
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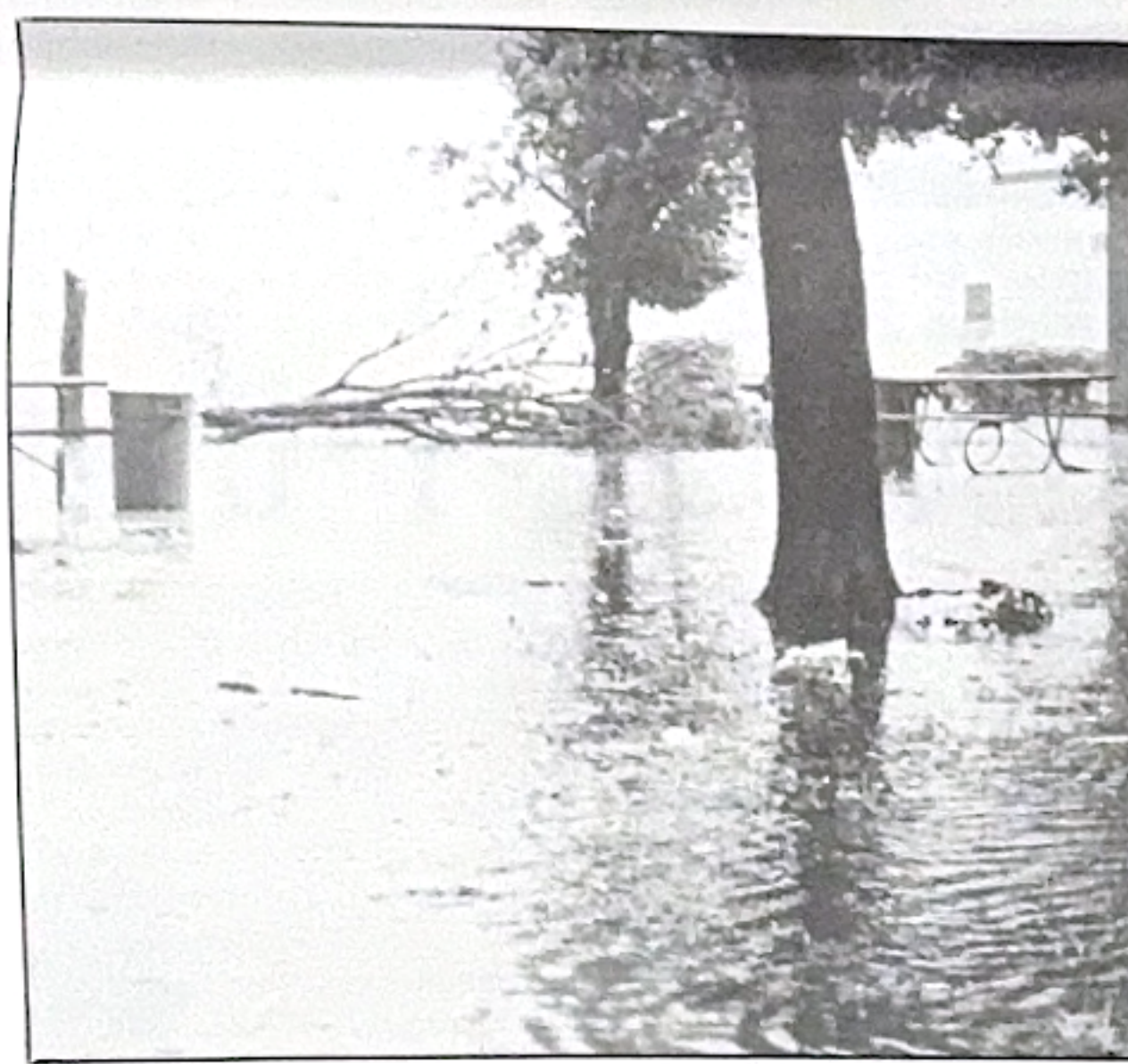


"DON'T GET YOUR FEET WET!"

Photos by Lana Chiariello



Diane Aspinall nearly goes for a swim while trying to pick up a note after Thursday's storm.



Thursday's storm resulted in fallen down trees, tipped over garbage cans and flooded school grounds.

## Calendar of Events

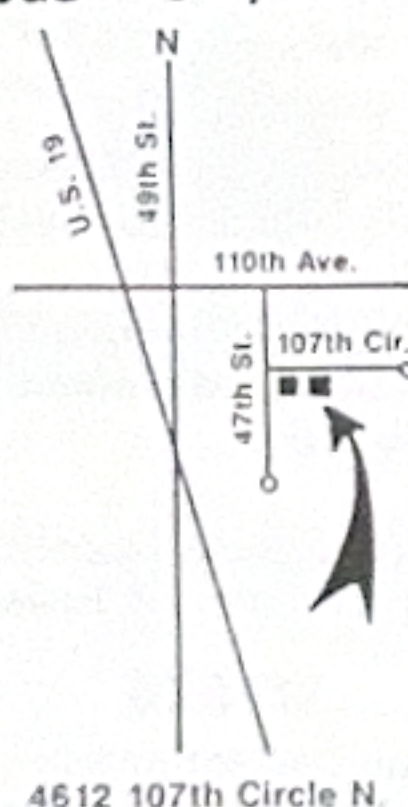
- Oct. 5 - Senior Assembly - Hereff Jones - pd.2
- Oct. 6 - SSAT Testing
- Oct. 8 - School Pictures - main auditorium
- Oct. 12 - National School Lunch Week  
"Handicapped Awareness Week"
- Oct. 13 - Open House - high schools - 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 16 - Staff Development Day no school for students
- Oct. 20 - St. Pete J.C. Career Night, St. Pete campus
- Oct. 22 - New teacher reception - 2:45 p.m. - culinary arts room
- Oct. 24 - Alumni Sock-Hop - 8 p.m. - midnight in gym - afternoon for decoration
- Oct. 26 - Beginning of Homecoming week
- Oct. 29 - Valhalla - football field
- Oct. 30 - Homecoming game against St. Pete High
- Oct. 31 - Homecoming dance - Halloween

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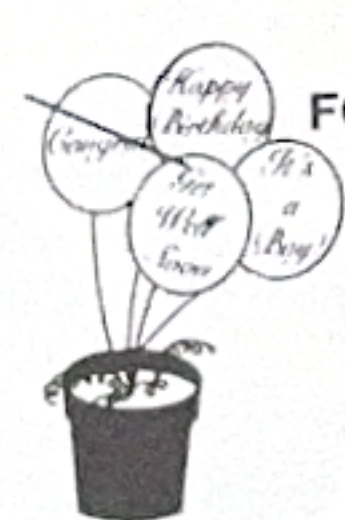
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# Pool - The Color of NEHI

By Julie Costanzo  
Sports Editor

Teenagers and adults alike are constantly looking for something "new and exciting" to do with their free time. Thanks to James and Terri Lee, and Wallace and Charleen Miracle, the people of St. Petersburg have a new place to "hang out" and a new sport to enjoy.

The Lees' and Miracles' own Westcoast Billiards on 68th Ave. N. and 4th St. N. in St. Petersburg. Westcoast has been opened less than a year and already has a large following. Not only is pool offered; darts, video games and two other games, Billiards and Snooker, also are available.

Snooker is played with solid red balls and colored balls. The object of the game is to pocket a red ball and a colored ball alternately (each time returning the colored balls to the table until no red balls are left) and finally pocket each of the colored balls in numerical order.

Carom Billiards is played on a table without pockets with a white, spot white, and a red ball. The object of the game is to score points by driving the cue ball into each of the two object balls in succession. Another variation is three cushioned billiards, which is the same as Carom Billiards

except for the player is required to drive the cue ball to three cushions (sides of the table) before or while making caroms off the two object balls.



Dave Reed



Jack Thoucston

Part-owner James Lee feels parents might not feel right dropping their children off at a "pool hall". He doesn't want his establishment to be thought of

the stereotypical smokey small room with money riding on each shot. There is no question of Westcoast's intentions - a prominent "no gambling" sign is

displayed. So parents shouldn't have qualms about letting their children go to Westcoast, Lee said. In fact parents should experience Westcoast for themselves.

The billiards hall is spacious and well-lit with the owners keeping an eye out for trouble. Lee wants Westcoast to have the reputation of a family place.

Westcoast is open 365 days a year from 11:30 a.m. to 2 a.m. on weekdays and Saturday and 2 p.m. to 2 a.m. on Sundays. Food, drink and snacks are always available and TV is always showing the latest sporting events. Pool tables are available for \$2 an hour per person with a 50 cent minimum.

Many Northeast students find themselves going to Westcoast on weekends and week nights.

Senior Amie Hurst finds Westcoast "a good place to go and see friends and actually do something instead of hanging out at parking lots."

It is a good place to go when there is nothing going on, and that's often in St. Pete," said Seniors Jay Diaco and Mike Baker.

Westcoast Billiards has 20 tables and on a busy night the wait could be over a half-hour for a table. People of all ages convene at Westcoast.

## Vikes win first game

By Luiz Lima  
Staff Writer

A strong Viking defense which forced seven Tarpon Springs turnovers sparked Northeast to a 28-13 win in its season opener which was in Dunedin.

Junior cornerback Cedric Taylor had three interceptions, one of which he returned 85 yards for the game's first touchdown.

The Vikings also won their jamboree against Pinellas Park High, 13-7, and are highly favored to be St. Petersburg City Champs again this year. Nor-

theast is ranked fourth in the St. Petersburg Times' Tampa Bay poll.

"We can't afford any injuries," said Head Coach Jerry Austin. He believes that a strong and healthy team will be the key to a successful 1987 season.

"We'll have to wait and see," said Coach Ty McGraw, regarding the JV football team. According to McGraw, there will be close to 90 players on this year's team. He thinks that if the players stick together they will be a solid team again this year. McGraw also believes,



Both Austin and Cornillaud signal for a time out.

however, that there are still a lot of questions to be answered because of the many ninth graders in some key positions.



Timmy Ware is shown here running the ball in a recent game.

## Bowlers score for NEHI

Fourteen NEHI students represent the school on the Northeast High Bowling Team. They began their season September 16 and will continue to meet bowling teams from other schools in the county each Thursday evening through December. The competing teams meet in various bowling centers throughout the county.

Representing NEHI are Bonnie Adams, Michele Hand, Val Hatfield, April Melquist, Mario Menendez, and Jenny Moon on the girls' team; Jay Bjurholm, Tim Bower, Ken Dittmer, Jim Hatfield, Scott Love, Scott Price, and Anthony Salliotte on the boys' team.

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# Former student is Olympic hopeful

By Rhonda Schrull  
Staff Writer

Look out '88 Olympics—here comes Northeast's '86 graduate Dana Dutcher. The six-foot, 19-year-old swimmer made the qualifying time in the 50 meter freestyle. She will try out between next June or July in Texas for the '88 Olympics.

Dutcher, a native of St. Pete, is now training at South Carolina University(SCU) under head

coach Kris Kirchner. Dutcher has completed her first year of college at SCU where she is majoring in political science and pre-law. Her mother said, "Dana's future plans are to finish college and probably become an attorney."

Dutcher's speciality is freestyle and she placed eighth in the National College Athletic Association(NCAA), Division I. NCAA is a big meet between colleges at the end of the season and

Division I is the top division in the meet. Dutcher broke her right wrist at the beginning of the school year and was out of training for eight weeks. "She was quite proud of placing eighth because of her wrist and the time lost," her mother said.

Dutcher's father was a diver and may have encouraged her interest in swimming. She learned to swim at 6½ years of age, her mother said.

While Dana trains most of the time and must keep in shape, she does have time for other interests. She likes all sports and being involved in school clubs. She was a Rojan at NEHI and is interested in modeling.

Dutcher has been competing in the junior nationals since she was about 10 years old. She has been in the senior nationals since the age of 14.



Dana Dutcher

## Cross Country-Racing for winning season

"You have to work hard for what you want," is the motto of the 87-88 girls cross-country team, and what Coach Carroll Yates wants is a winning season.

And these girls do work. They practice everyday after school and on weekends. Their routine consists of distance runs of 2-5 miles and shorter sprints. "The

team can't afford to miss one practice," said Yates, "Each workout builds the strength and endurance needed to be number one."

Their hard work is paying off. The team placed second out of eight at its first meet on Sept. 10. The girls are led by senior Kari Torstensen, an exchange student

from Norway, and sophomores Sharon Holmes and Jennifer Champagne. Also rounding out the team are seniors Mardi Bell, Suzi Griffiths, Carrie Kosarek, Stephanie Musser and Chrissy Owens.

Coach Yates is very dedicated to the team, promising to "eat,



A cross-country runner practices for upcoming meets.

sleep, and dream cross-country." Working hard for the team, Yates expects hard work in return. Asked to predict how the team will do this year, Yates hopefully stated, "I hope to place in the top three spots in districts if everything works out."

Yates is also looking ahead. He hopes freshmen will go out for the team so he can build a solid team for the future.

## Ash coaching NEHI nine

By Jeff Allen  
Staff Writer

The NEHI baseball team will be pitching, batting and running its way to victory this year under a new head coach.

John Ash was transferred from Gibbs High School to be the head coach of this year's NEHI baseball team. He replaced Coach Scott Miller, who took a break from teaching to go to the University of South Florida to work on his master's degree.

Ash taught driver's education at NEHI during the 1963-64 school year. That year he also assisted now-Principal Tom Zachary coaching the baseball team.

Ash left NEHI to become the head coach for St. Pete Catholic's baseball team. He then transferred to Gibbs High School to get back into the county school system. Now, Ash is back at NEHI.

"I'm so glad to be back," stated Ash. "Coach Miller has left me with a fantastic nucleus of



Coach John Ash

players to build on. I think everyone in the county better look out, because we'll be coming at them tooth and nail."

"I'm looking forward to playing for Coach Ash," said senior John Guardiola, "I've heard he's a very capable coach. We should have a great year."

Ash also has a master's degree in math and is currently teaching algebra and pre-algebra at NEHI.

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