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## Detroit Challenges Cardinals; Go Get 'Em, Detroit Tigers!

"Pla-a-ay bal-1-1!" echoed across the nation last spring, sending 20 teams into a wild summer-long contest of "Capture the Flag."

Tails switching menacingly, our Tigers stalked over the country, fighting off everything from Angels to Indians, although it was a band of birds from Baltimore who gave them the most trouble. Fireworks, confetti, champagne and a big, happy riot in the middle of Tigertown ended it all two weeks ago. The flag had been captured and it now flies proudly over Detroit.

Pennant fever gripped Tigertown early as the Tigers won nine straight games at the beginning of the season. With the onset of the fever, strange, but wonderful things began to happen. Bumper stickers, pennants, banners, jackets, hats and shirts proclaimed, "Sockit to 'em, Tigers!" People began to thrive on Tiger-meat and Tiger-milk bought from the local Tiger shops.

Going on vacation was no excuse to stop cheering the Tigers on to victory--we learned to do it in about 60 languages, including more than 10 dialects of Hebrew and four of German. A banner welcoming the St. Louis Cardinals to Detroit was hung over the entrance of the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel in July. Songwriters and poets yet unknown revealed themselves and their talents to the world, putting Detroit's happy mood



"We'll Get the Other Birds In" into song--"Tigers, Tigers, Rah! Rah! Cardinals, Cardinals, Boo! Boo! Boo!"

Pennant fever changes to World Series fever this weekend as Tigertown prepares for its final invasion of 1968. With its new flag flying high, the city is decked out in its Sunday best, ready to welcome the enemy--but that's all the welcome they'll get! Watch out, you St. Louis Cardinals! SOCKIT TO 'EM TIGERS!!!!

### German Student Impressed

## "United States Holds Many Advantages for Youth"

Hartwig Molzow, 12B, the German foreign exchange student, prefers soccer to baseball because "there is always movement." During this exciting season, it's hard to find someone like that.

Dearborn High student protesters will be happy to know that the German dress code for schools is more lenient than America's, according to Hartwig.

Language is what this serious young man is majoring in. Along with his native language, he speaks English, Latin, and French.

Hartwig likes the United States for several reasons. "I think the USA does more for its youth than Germany does."

Hartwig, who is now living with the Fred Secret family, has three older sisters in Germany. Many of his relatives live in East Germany, and he has been there several times to visit them. He explained that being a communistic country, the people live under pressure and all activities are supervised by Russian troops, Al-

though their life is not as hard as it may seem to Americans, Hartwig feels that East Germany is worse than other countries behind the Iron Curtain.

The piano in the Secret home is often receiving a good workout. Music, especially classical, is Hart-

## Debate Team Receives Honor; Wins First Meet of Season

Laurels have come again to our debate team. Not only have they won their first meet, but they have been honored by being asked to demonstrate debating techniques for the second year in a row, at two statewide clinics on Oct. 12.

Marilyn Huff and Chris LaBeau, seniors and returning varsity debaters, will travel to U. of M. that day. There, they will defend the negative position against Royal Oak Kimball, who were runners-up last year to Dearborn for state honors.

On the same day, two other members of the team will be demonstrating at Central Michigan University. Mr. Bill Valentine, debate coach, chose senior Bill Black to make the trip, but has yet to choose a teammate.

This year's debate team "looks good", Mr. Valentine commented. Bearing out his prediction, the team of Chris, Marilyn, Bill, and Bill Kaempher, also a senior, captured first place at Northwestern High School on Sept. 21. In the season's

first meet Dearborn competed with 25 schools.



Photo by Bill Gardner

DISPLAYING their latest in a series of trophies, this one from Northwestern High, are debaters (from left) Bill Kaempfer, Bill Black, Marilyn Huff and Chris LaBeau, all 12Bs.

## Announce "Thieves Carnival" Leads As Cast and Crew Start Work

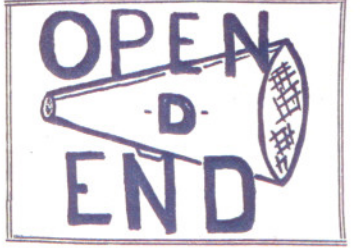
Thieves' Carnival, a frolic loaded with humor and romance, will be presented as Dearborn High's first all-school play of the year, under the supervision of Mrs. Joanne Kraft, dramatics teacher.

The scene is set in the home of two wealthy, attractive girls. Their home is invaded by three affectionate thieves, which begins a lovely romance between one of the girls and the youngest thief. Following his conscience, he cannot accept her love and so he turns violent towards

his job. But she is swifter in her use of sly tricks than he is.

Rand Wacker, 12B, and Andy Korkas and Tom Mead, juniors, are cast as the three thieves. Jan Gaiefsky, junior, and Betsey Price, senior, will be playing the two girls, Juliette and Eva.

Dates set for the production of this early setting of the 1880's are Nov. 8 and 9.



Appearing in this week's Observer is a new column asking for student opinions on certain matters. Watch in the halls for our roving reporter.

The question this week is, "How do you feel about Negro students being bussed to an all white school such as Dearborn High in order to make it an integrated school?"

Below are the views of some Dearborn High students;

"If they know their place they can come." -Richard Modras, senior.

"I want them here. I hate it when people are so prejudiced." -Mary Veenstra, senior.

"That's integration without representation." -Rick Thomas, junior.

"I would not like to have this done, this form of forced integration legal, but if it ever occurred I myself could get along with the change." -Carl Buckholtz, senior.

"They don't live here and they shouldn't be able to go to school here." -Glenn Miller, sophomore.

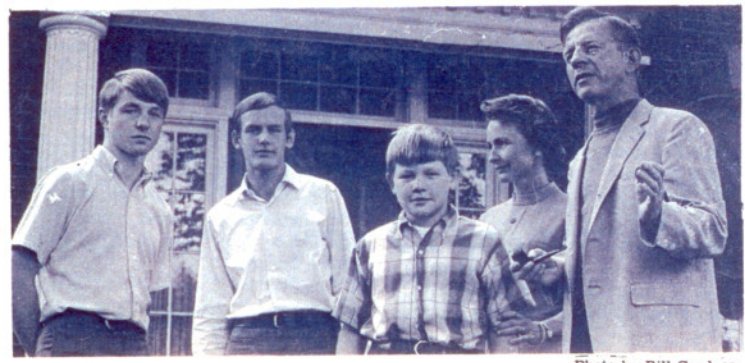


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HARTWIG'S American family, the Secretsts, from left, Dan, 11B, Hartwig, Fred, Jr., Mrs. Secretst and Mr. Fred Secretst.



# Your Student Government--What Do You Know About It?

## Sophomores Plan Senator Elections

Thinking of running for Student Council? Well you can stop thinking because it's too late anyway. This week the sophomores elected their fellow classmates to represent them as senators.

The senate is the legislative body of the Student Council. The members should be concerned with bettering student-faculty-administration relationships, developing leadership and citizenship, and encouraging improvement in the school and promoting scholarship.

To become senators, candidates need only be members of the student body at DHS. This is a change from recent years. Students before had to carry at least a 2.0 average in order to run for this office.

Each grade elects its representatives in the 14th week of the spring semester. The senators will take office in June. Sophomore senators will take office immediately.

Senators vote on regular Student Council business, and are members of Student Council committees.

Standing committees of the Senate include the Grievance, Activities Board, Assemblies, Communication and Building and Grounds. The Executive Board consists of the president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer.

Why run for the Senate? Sources say the job of senator offers a person a chance to represent students and to become popular and well known throughout the school.

Your vote in an election may make a difference. Do you know what to look for in electing your senators? Who is your best leader? Who can get a lot of work done? Who will help bring teachers and students to a better relationship?

If we are worried about our Student Council, perhaps we should look for some qualifications in the people for whom we vote.

### Editorial

## Ineffective Council Reflects Student Body's Interest

"The Student Council never does anything! But I can't do anything to help it; after all I'm only one out of over 1,900."

Although this is a popular complaint among DHS students, some fail to realize that the Student Council is their Council. The membership is elected to represent every student at DHS.

Why is the Student Council so ineffective? The fault lies in the students! Every spring - fall for 10B's - each class elects ten-odd students to represent them for one year.

During that one year, students complain about what an "elite" group the Council is. This election is not a popularity contest, though it may seem to be. It isn't a poll to see who had the best campaign posters.



Photo by Bill Gardner

MEMBERS of this year's Supreme Court are (left to right), Jan Reddington, junior; Betsy Todd, Tom Nelson, Chief Justice Jon Goyert, Bill Youmans, Betsey Price, and Leslie Caddy, seniors.

## "Action" Foreseen By Council

"The one thing I would like to get across to everyone, is that the Student Council is not a 'pink lemonade and cookies' type of thing. I dislike the thought that the Council is a secret society within the school, isolated from the rest of the student body."

Grant Hyatt, this year's Student Council president, intends to destroy this 'pink lemonade and cookies' responsibility of his with degrees of concern, enthusiasm, pride, and determination. The above quote is one of many ambitions and ideas that Grant and his team of Pete Carlton, vice president; Marilyn Huff, secretary; and Andy Kokas, treasurer, have nursed to life.

Through Grant's suggestion, room 201 was put aside as a homeroom for Council officers and representatives. "I like this arrangement," Grant says, "because it allows us to be together more than just once a week."

Three meetings held during the summer provided for two big changes in the Council's charter.

This is an election to decide who will be the government leaders for the coming year. Their jobs are to promote school spirit and traditions, to promote better relations with the faculty and other schools, and, above all, to interest the students and the faculty in the Student Council.

"But how am I supposed to find out what goes on at the meetings?" is often the cry. The Council members are urged to "talk it up" among their friends in hopes of creating enthusiasm among the student body. This is not too effective. Usually council members belong to the same "groups" and don't circulate.

Each homeroom has a representative who should visit his homeroom within a few days after each Council meeting. When the representative

he will be introducing to the Council. "I want to have an inter-racial exchange program established between here and those in the inner city. We want to discuss problems that pertain to all of us, such as racial discrimination, the lowering of the voting age, and other things. Student Council can't be just a neat little group that sells activity passes, and sponsors the Homecoming Dance every year."

Grant is determined to change the page in the yearbook that lists the Student Council's achievements. Last year's Student Council had the sum total of three or four achievements. A total that Grant wants to see doubled for this year's PIONEER.

## Student Officers Organize; Plan Activities For Classes

In late May of last year, Junior and Senior Class officers were elected by their class. These elections have taken place for many years at DHS and will most likely continue in the future.

does come, the representative reads the minutes from the preceding meeting. He is then supposed to start up a discussion on the Council's latest endeavors. Granted, ten minutes isn't long enough for all there is to say.

Then why not come to the general meetings this year? Last spring, a few of these Student Council meetings open to the student body were held without much success. As the few interested students sat in on the meetings before school, many milled around by the open door creating a disturbance.

The Student Council is looking forward to a successful year, but can not do it without your help. Think before you vote, for the Student Council members are the key to the Council's success. The Student Council is what you make it!

## Supreme Court What's It For?

What is the Supreme Court?

The Supreme Court is the judiciary branch of the Student Council.

The Supreme Court has the power to stamp signs, and review club elections if requested. Elections are another duty of the Supreme Court. They are in charge of renting the voting machines, seeing that someone is attending them each hour, and counting election votes.

Nominees for Supreme Court justices are chosen by the president of Student Council, just as is done in our federal government. Candidates must then be ratified by the Student Council Senate.

Although Supreme Court justices can discuss Student Council issues with the Council, they have no vote on the issues. They attend Student Council meetings as do senators.

"Court Justices many times are people whom the president knows will do a good job, but that were not elected as senators," said Student Council president Grant Hyatt, 12B.

The scholastic requirements for justices have been removed, and the only one is that they must be in at least their junior year.

The present Supreme Court Justices are Jon Goyert, Chief Justice, Betsy Todd, Tom Nelson, Bill Youmans, and Leslie Caddy, all 12B's. Others are Betsey Price, 12B and Jan Reddington, 11B.

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