

## Senior Class Activities to be Featured In Movie Planned by Filmmaking Class

Ten seniors in the advanced film making class have undertaken the making of a "senior film" under the sponsorship of Mr. Richard Corriveau. The film will capsule events and activities that occurred during the class of '71's senior year.

The idea of the movie came from Dean Breest, '70 graduate. He attempted such a film last year, but, according to Mr. Corriveau, "It was mostly on sports. Our film will be much more inclusive than the one last year."

Mr. Corriveau and his class were first approached about the film by parents of the senior class. They gave \$25 to start the project, but then backed out after their first donation.

"Right now we have rolls of film developed," Mr. Corriveau explained, "but we can't pick them up from the stores because we're out of money." Fortunately, the senior class now has agreed to underwrite all expenses on the film.

Because the project started so late, many of the fall activities were not filmed. This has resulted in a need for any still pictures taken of events during the fall semester. So far, the only pictures received have been from the yearbook co-editors, Craig Hamilton and Paul Hartmann.

"People have to bring in pictures as soon as possible," explained Senior John Kazanowski, coordinator of the film. "The editing is a long, slow process, so we must begin soon," he added.

The "moving yearbook", as it is called by Mr. Corriveau, is to be shown first at the Senior Party. But plans are being made to film highlights of the Prom, the Trip, the Graduation Exercises, and the Party itself. The film, scheduled to run 30 to 45 minutes, will then be added on to and shown at future class reunions.

### Fun and Frolic, Free To Enjoy

## Healthy Escapes -- Steam Valve for Depression

"Are you run down? Depressed? Irritable? Do you have too many pressures? Problems?"

Although this may sound like commercial TV bait, unfortunately the symptoms are true for too many teenagers today.

"Depression, to some extent, is normal among adolescents," Miss Johanna Bielecki, DHS social worker admits. "But it's getting out of proportion."

What can kids do when they're bored or depressed? "The media gives us the impression that there is no escape, but there is..."

In an effort to solve the problem, the OBSERVER has compiled a list of free or inexpensive activities for diversion, in or around the Dearborn area.

The list includes:

- Take your or a neighbor's dog for a walk.
- Organize your thoughts on paper.
- Visit the Youth Center or library.

Anyone who wishes to help on this project is urged to contact either Mr. Corriveau or a member of the advanced film making class which meets third hour in A-5.

## Sponge Dance Plans Announced

Spring will get a head start at the annual Sponge Dance when the senior girls present it on March 26.

Gambling casino atmosphere will set the mood, as the Redwood Room is transformed into a little Las Vegas for the evening. A short meeting last week decided the refreshment, decoration, and ticket committees.

To leave the dance empty-handed would be unquestionable. A pair of dice will be given as a favor to coincide with the theme of the dance "Pair-a-dice".

Now is the time to ask that special guy for an evening of fun at the senior girls Sponge Dance.



HATS OFF TO Senior Karen Johnson who, along with her classmates, was measured for her cap and gown on Feb. 23.

## Future DHS Artists For America? Students Win Art and Film Awards

Paints splattered, fingers flew, and cameras rolled as ten DHS students walked away with awards for the Scholastic Art and Film-making contests.

The art contest, according to Mr. Jack Martin, art teacher, drew 4,000



WHY ARE THEY smiling? Making original films has won awards for (l. to r.) John Aukee, Gary Gardner, and Brian Ellis, seniors, and Bob Toomey, junior.

entries, ten of them students from DHS. Three of the ten received awards. They were Gary Page, who entered a linoleum-block printing, Judith Doherty with a collage, and Camille Przywara with a three-dimensional weaving piece and a fabric design.

Gary, Judith, and Camille, all seniors, each received a certificate of merit.

The film-making contest, which required each contestant to produce his own original film, resulted in seven winners for DHS. First place gold keys were given to Lynne Bailey, junior, and Seniors John Aukee, Brian Ellis, and Gary Gardner. Brian and Gary also received a third-place commendation for a film which they developed together. Honorable mentions were given to second-place winners Dennis Ranski, senior, and Bob Toomey, junior.

Volume 53  
Issue 18

# THE OBSERVER

Dearborn High School      Dearborn, Michigan      March 5, 1971

## Honor Roll Lauds 657 Pupils

For years Dearborn High has compiled a list at the end of each semester showing the achievement of students who have attained an overall grade point average of 3.00 or better. This list, known as the honor roll, is broken down by grades.

The fall semester of 1970-71 showed that out of a total enrollment

of 1,787 students at DHS, 647 of them achieved at least a 3.00 average. Furthermore, 80 of the honor roll students had an average of 3.80 or 4.00 which is the "A" range.

As an indication of how the three schools ranked in honor roll proportions, Mr. Russel Catherman, of the Board of Education, provided these statistics:

	DHS	EFHS	FHS
Sophomores	104	190	120
Juniors	249	162	131
Seniors	304	213	195
Totals	657	565	446

Of a total enrollment of 1,980 at Edsel Ford, the figures show that about one fourth of the students made the honor roll, while at Fordson less than one fourth of its 2,100 students were honor roll pupils.



The Junior Class is sponsoring a dance tonight from 8 to 11 in the Redwood Room. Music for the dance will be provided by the Fred Jam band.

\*\*\*\*\*  
The Sopomore Class will be selling candy bars Tuesday and Wednesday for 50 cents.  
\*\*\*\*\*

The Dearborn High Chapter of The National Honor Society has nominated members Mike Kirk and Barb Clark, seniors, as their choices for a \$1,000 NHS scholarship.

- Talk to a lonely person.
- Watch a little league hockey or baseball game at a local park or rink.
- Go bowling, skating, canoeing, or skeet shooting.
- Fly a kite.
- Join a volunteer organization (March of Dimes, Dearborn Association for Retarded Children, etc.).
- Go to Greenfield Village.
- Sit in on a session of municipal court (in the back of the police station; just walk in).
- Write a letter to someone you've almost forgotten.
- Call a friend you haven't seen in years.
- Visit the zoo.
- Read a book.
- Bake something different or foreign.
- Paint a picture.
- Dial-a-Prayer or other "Dial-a-s" listed in the phone book.

- Call the Department of Recreation for a listing of the free movies shown at HFCC.
  - Watch the people or planes at the airport.
  - Ride a bike to Kensington Park or Franklin Cider Mill.
  - Write a poem.
  - Take a free tour of the Rouge Plant, Police Station, or Wayne County Jail.
  - Watch people in a busy place like Kennedy Square or Westland.
  - Visit the McFadden-Ross or Detroit Art Museum.
  - Watch the boats on the Detroit River.
  - Ride a bus all day.
  - Check Dearborn papers for auctions held in the area.
- (listed under "Auctions" in the classified ads)
- Go through an old junk drawer.
  - Ride through the Ontario countryside.

Editorial

# Radio Club Choices Shock Students

BY BILL WAS

Noise pollution, along with the more common land, water, and air forms, is a problem. Lately, the DHS cafeteria has experienced not the fouling of the land, sea, or air, but of the students' ears.

Dearborn High's Radio Club has been pouring forth frustratingly poor selections of "music" every lunch period as entertainment. While it is not possible to please all the people all of the time, it should be possible to please some of the people some of the time. Many students would rather have the music stopped than have it continued at its present standards.

No excuse can be given for this poor choice of music, which seems to please only those operating the turntables. Radio stations around Dearborn have donated albums to the Radio Club, and surely those played are not a true representation of the total albums received.

If the selection of LPs is this poor, then perhaps a lending system can be introduced, allowing students to loan albums for any length of time. If this program should fail, then perhaps a plan to pipe in music, as in the Junior and Senior Lounges, could be initiated.

The Radio Club's function of entertaining the student body at lunch is a service and should be treated as such. The club has ceased to serve this idea, and therefore should be open to corrective measures by the Student Council or student body.

# Tankers Down Powerful Huron; Looking Forward To State

After extending their string of unbeaten dual meets to 13, the tankers can now look forward to league and state meets. The final clincher was beating Ann Arbor Huron, defending Class A champs, and Holland West Ottawa, defending Class B champs. The Pioneers are now considered a leading contender for the state title.

The swimmers drowned Plymouth Feb. 16 by taking 10 of 11 first places, with the final score being 77-28. Double winners included Norman Semchysen, sophomore, in the 200-yd. and 400-yd. freestyles, with times of 1:53.1 and 3:59.3. Junior Tom Szuba took firsts in the 200-yd. Individual Medley and 100-yd. butterfly. Tom's time of 54.9 for the butterfly set a new school and pool record.

Paul Foster, junior, qualified for the National AAU meet by swimming the 200-yd. backstroke in 2:00.0.

In a league meet Dearborn blasted in an amazing display of overall depth by defeating the Zebras 84-21, Feb. 16. The tankers took first and second places in every event except for diving where they took second and third.

A Wayne pool record was set in the

200-yd. freestyle by Foster with a time of 1:50.6. Szuba's time of 55.1 in the 100-yd. butterfly was good for a pool record.

In a tri-meet which Coach Jack Johnson called "the biggest of the season," Dearborn broke Ann Arbor's winning streak of 18 games and won 53-52. They went on to beat West Ottawa 66-39.

Dearborn led off with Al Gafesky and Brad Brockway, juniors, and Kevin Dunworth and Mike Oslavar, sophomores, taking the 200-medley relay in 1:45.43.

Szuba and Foster were Dearborn's double winners. Szuba took the 200-yd. I.M. in 2:01.0 and the 400-yd. freestyle in 3:58.8. His I.M. time is the fastest ever swam in Michigan high schools. Paul went 23.4 in the 50-yd. freestyle and 55.4 in the 100-yd. backstroke.

Dearborn's next two meets are even more important as they go to Wayne tonight for the league meet, then the state meet on March 12-13 at East Lansing.



COAXING SOME SPIRIT and showing their enthusiasm for the team are the DHS "Cheer Boys" (l. to r.) Frank Chiapetta, Tom Kielman, Tom Frank, and Tom Harper, all juniors. As unofficial cheerleaders, these boys got the job done through their unusual antics.

## Win Two in Final Week

# Pioneer Cager Season Ends

The DHS cagers clinched second place in the Sauk Trail League last Friday night as they defeated the Wayne Zebras 55-36.

Senior tri-captain Eric Ponds responded with 16 points and 22 rebounds to lead the Pioneers, while Junior John Renko added 18.

Recapping the final week of the regular season found the Dearborn five recording a smashing victory over the Edsel Ford T-Birds, 62-52, on Friday, Feb. 19. Senior tri-captain Bryan Lowry turned in a fine performance for the cagers by hitting for 21 points, while Renko added 18 and Ponds 11. Attendance, considered a great contributing factor, was good with both stands filled and an overflow standing.

The Pioneers then met the Livonia Bentley Bulldogs on Tuesday, Feb. 23, and found themselves on the short end of the scoreboard, 71-61. The game proved to be more exciting than the score would indicate as the Pioneers drew within three points in the final quarter, but were unable to capitalize.

Renko topped the scorers with 18 points with Senior tri-captain Bill Reiger adding 16 tallies.

The Dearborn cagers ended the regular season at an even .500 percentage with a record of 9-9, an improvement over last year's record of 7-11.

Last Monday night the cagers played Southfield High in the opening round of the District Tournament. The Pioneers play until they lose, and may advance into the Regional and State Tournaments.

## Letter to Editor

Dear Editor,

There is a vast problem which is pounding us on the head and slowly pushing students into the ground. I refer to the problem of space. I was introduced to this problem at DHS in the Industrial Arts Dept. Granted, my views are discriminatory towards reform for this department, but I truly feel it must be applied to the whole school system. We're in the 70's now, not the 50's, which truly seems to be what the Board of Education thinks. Don't get me wrong, we have a good board, they are providing us with outstanding educational opportunities, but I strongly feel that the opportunities we have now, the students truly can't take advantage of them if they're standing on top of each other. The problem stands, too many students and not enough classes! Instead of utilizing what space we have, the School Board refuses student admission to certain classes.

Teachers are well aware that space is truly a problem, and refusing admission of more students is really against the American educational system.

This whole problem is affecting us and our learning process as much as the teachers and their class scheduling.

It's the 70's, time of inflation and the squeezing dollar, but really this problem is like cancer, if you don't wipe it out, it will wipe you out.

It truly can't see how our Dearborn Board of Education can sit back, smoke a cigar, and tell their secretary to "make a note of that and file it" when the problem is truly relevant and steadily growing worse.

Dave Kuznicki, senior

## Student Teachers Practice at DHS

Dearborn High has four new student teachers this semester.

Miss Suzanne Stichler, a Central Michigan University student, is assisting Mrs. Ward in her first and second year Spanish classes.

Student teaching for Miss Dorothy Wolfe is Mr. Steve Gnewkowski, a student at University of Michigan.

Assisting Mrs. Marie Mitchell is Mrs. Lynda Trinklein. She is an alumna of Edsel Ford and Henry Ford Community College, and is now a student at University of Michigan.

Another assistant in the English department is Mr. Joe Dziedzic who is working with Mr. Ted Lowry.

# ★ OPEN END ★



DEBBIE

IF YOU WERE ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, WHAT WOULD YOU DO FIRST?

"Have free concerts at the White House, with no law enforcement."  
Tess Erwin, junior

\*\*\*\*\*

"Make marijuana legal."  
Bob Nowka, senior

\*\*\*\*\*

"Convert the limousines to choppers or Harleys."  
Debbie DeVore, junior

\*\*\*\*\*

"Lower the drinking age to 18."  
George Zemnickas, senior



TESS



GEORGE



BOB

St  
Fc  
"It'  
dent  
shoul  
cil P  
sper  
Coun  
The  
stude  
needs  
usefu  
In c  
to be  
stit  
plan  
meet  
will f  
il 5:  
gin a  
new  
effec  
Sug  
discu  
and th  
me n  
other  
ideas  
"I  
cons  
Thon  
adv  
mem  
make  
pres  
years  
On t  
the  
Cou  
comr  
COM  
TO  
THE  
TRI-  
DAN  
SAT.  
GIV  
Fayd  
l. to r  
and B  
to r.  
the E  
the I  
New