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Your Chance To Help Yourself Others Career Exploration

People often deride the idealism of youth, saying that teenagers are long on talk and short on action. But this summer you have an opportunity to put your ideals to work, serving as a volunteer in one of the many interesting jobs offered by the Volunteer Bureau of Contra Costa County. You can gain valuable experience and skill, and explore a career while working in both mental and physical hospitals, libraries, the Head Start program, day camps, offices, play grounds, summer school, story telling classes, and many more worthwhile activities.

The amount of time you contribute is up to you. Two hours per day, one day a week is the

minimum. Few volunteer jobs require previous training; in most cases instruction is given on the job itself. The job you take will be near your home, unless you have your own transportation. Applicants for the program must be between 14 and 20 years old. They must evidence sincerity, interest, dependability, and a real desire to be of service. Volunteer jobs should be considered as seriously as if they were for pay.

Applications are available in the counseling office. For more information, contact either Mr. Campbell, or phone 254-2049 to speak to Mrs. Daniloff, who is chairman of the Volunteer Program at Miramonte.

The Junior Classical League Convention in San Marino March 22, 23, 24 attracted 32 Miramonte Latin students and their advisor, Mrs. Marian Calhoun.

In addition to taking eight prizes in contests and games, a self-appointed team of inspectors added fun to the festivities. The convention program consisted of a lecture, the presentation of the French version of *Antigone*, contests and the Olympic games.

Of the 17 Miramonte students who participated in the contests, these were the winners. John Vinn took 3rd place in Roman history; among second year students, Rich Pisarra was 1st; Rick Lewis, 3rd in Latin grammar; and Diane Jonte took a 2nd in vocabulary.

First year students also placed. Dawna Jonte took a 2nd in vocabulary and Bruce Wagner a 1st in Latin grammar. Janet Ward participated in the Olympics and placed 1st in the 100 yard dash and 1st in the long jump.

John Vinn, Peter Ehlers, and Paul Aveson appointed themselves "Chariot Inspectors." A Roman "cubit" (the length of a collar strap) was used to measure chariots. Diane Jonte, official rider to ascertain safety of chariots, rode around the field in the vehicles. After the joke was revealed, all chariots were allowed to race.

The Career Exploration Course (CEC), a six-week summer program offered to students in the Acalanes High School District, is being offered again this summer. This program offers students a chance to explore occupations in which they think that they might have an interest.

CEC provides students with an opportunity to observe and work under supervision in business, professional or industrial establishments. The experience enables the student to get a better understanding of a specific occupation as a possible career choice. Real work becomes an actual laboratory; students work three hours per day, five days per week, with no pay.

Other goals hoped for as a result of CEC participation are that the student can learn how to work with others in an adult world, can realize the value of education, can correlate educational experience with vocational interests.

History

CEC has become a tradition in the district — this is the eighth annual year of its presentation. The program started with 32 students and has expanded to 110 this summer (92 students last year).

Eligibility

Requirements for eligibility include personal selection of occupation, keeping a "career" notebook, being a junior or sophomore (16 years by July 1, 1968), and abiding by the program's "Code of Conduct."

The student must have, before being chosen; a recommendation from three teachers and an interview with the course director.

Applications may be obtained from the counseling office — they must be filled out and returned by April 5. Also the recommendation forms should be given to three teachers. Don't delay — enrollment will be limited.

Other important dates on the schedule include March 25 — when applicant interviews begin, April 26 — when applicant selected for courses are notified, June 17 — student orientation at Del Valle, and June 18-July 25 — actual job training.

avocado trees. The residence halls at U.C.R. are new and spacious. Students in the high school program are required to live in the residence halls and to take their meals in the dining room.

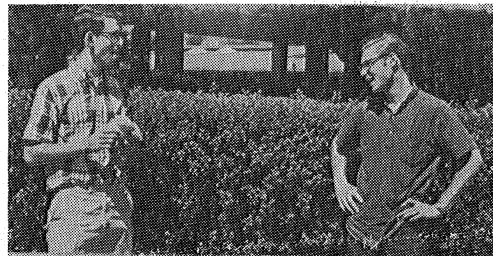
The deadline for submitting the application form is Monday, May 13. More information is available in the counseling office.

SENIORS BOB WEYENETH AND JIM BARTLE RECIEVE BANK OF AMERICA HONORS

Each year the Bank of America gives awards in varied areas such as business, vocational arts, and such. From those chosen, some will be selected to be interviewed by a panel of local civic leaders. All of the people in a specific area, e.g., liberal arts, are given one question to discuss among them. Based on each person's contribution to the discussion, the panel chooses three prize winners. After further elimination, one out of the three goes on to a larger scale of competition.

Chosen participants from Miramonte are Bob Weyeneth, Liberal Arts, and Jim Bartle, Fine Arts. For having been chosen, they both receive a plaque and both have a possibility of winning prize money.

Bob says of his honor, "Although I don't think I should be going, I will do my very best to carry the traditions, spirit and academic and athletic excellence of MHS to its proper and deserved pinnacle in the tremendous turmoil which we face in the world today."



Spring Musical To Be Performed

On the evenings of April 26 and 27, the Miramonte music and drama departments will present the musical "Down in the Valley," a story of the undying love between two young hearts. Playing the parts of the lovers, Brack Weaver and Jeannie Parsons, will be tenor, Randy Anger and soprano, Kathy Dunlop respectively. The love affair is complicated by a third party, Thomas Bouche, who is a friend of the heroine's father. Playing Mr. Bouche will be Bob Dunlop, a baritone. Playing two of the major roles will be baritone Grant Morgan. Grant will appear as both the leader (narrator) and the preacher. In the end, bloody tragedy must come to either Brack Weaver or . . . Thomas Bouche and is all because of the voluptuous Jeannie Parsons.

As of now, the pit orchestra is in full time preparation for the event. "The music is beginning to sound great already!" remarked the busy director Mr. Harold Reuter. Mr. Reuter, along with orchestra president Jonathan Baylis strongly recommends the evening show to all who appreciate music and drama even in the slightest way.

Summer Sessions For Jrs. at UC, Riverside

High school students who have finished their junior year with a "B" average are eligible to attend the summer session at the University of California at Riverside. Students will be selected on the basis of grades and test scores.

There are three special advantages in attending the U.C.R. summer session. Taking college courses to reduce the number of courses for graduation after admission as a regular student is one advantage. The main advantages, however, are the freedom to explore new fields of knowledge or to specialize in some particular subject in which one has an interest.

A high school student attending the summer session will be living and attending classes with regular students of the university although high school students will be grouped to-

gether in the residence halls.

The Riverside campus has gained a nationwide reputation for excellence while retaining the intimate college atmosphere. A strong emphasis is placed on giving the student a well rounded liberal arts background, along with study in his specific chosen areas. The faculty is progressive, with many having international recognition for their scholarship and publications.

In the center of the campus, adjacent to the 14-story Carillon tower, is the University Commons, a large student center containing various lounges, patios with reflecting pools, cafeteria and snack bar, book store, and other facilities. The campus is distinguished by its wide-open vistas to the surrounding mountains and many groves of orange, lemon, and

Charity Dance Aids Orphanage

La Cuadrilla, Miramonte's service club, is sponsoring a charity dance April 19 for the benefit of the Christian Hacienda, an orphanage in Mexico eight miles south of Tijuana.

Mark Hennigh, dance chairman, announces the theme of the dance will be "Li'l Abner, Dogpatch Style." Dress will be country or hillbilly so get ready for some square dancing in those full skirts and jeans.

Bob Weyeneth is in charge of getting the band, hopefully The Country Weather. Ticket chairman Kay Lindley has set prices at 75c single and \$1.00 per couple.

Other chairmen are Zanny Moulton, refreshments, and Gail Patton, decorations. Chris Coran is handling publicity for the event.

Christian Hacienda cares for about 60 children whose average age is eight. The orphanage is dependent on charitable donations for support.

Calendar

- April 8 — EASTER VACATION!
- April 15 — Classes begin.
- April 16 — CSF goes to Sacramento on field trip.
- April 18 — FIC Meeting. Rep. Council 7th period. Advanced Biology Club goes to Moss Beach.
- April 19 — Talent Assembly.
- April 22 — Open House.
- April 24 — MAD DAY!
- April 26 — Spring Concert. School pictures are taken.

Europe For The Cost Of A Stamp

Want to see Europe for practically the price of a postage stamp? Hurry and enter the "Why I want to work in Europe" contest sponsored by the International Student Information Service, a non-profit student organization based in Brussels, Belgium and their American affiliates International Society for Training and Culture. Here's all you have to do: Write a one hundred word essay, and mail it to:

ISIS/ISTC Cultural Review Board

366 United Nations Plaza
New York, New York 10017

Entries must be postmarked no later than April 30, 1968, and will be judged by the ISIS/ISTC Cultural Review Board. The winner will receive a 1.) A free round-trip jet transportation from New York to Brussels, Belgium and 2.) A job for the summer of 1969 in the job category and the language speaking area of his choice.

Entry in the "Why I want to work in Europe" contest competition is open to all members and associate members of ISIS/ISTC. Students who are not members may obtain associate membership in ISIS/ISTC by sending one dollar (\$1.00) to ISIS/ISTC for membership. In return you will receive associate member status so that you will be eligible for the "Why I want to work in Europe" contest. You will also receive a free 34 page illustrated magazine describing the ISIS/ISTC Jobs Abroad Program.

All entries must be postmarked no later than April 30, 1968, so act fast.

Mirador Editorial

CRITICS FAIL TO BE CONSTRUCTIVE

In a recent poll, several Miramonte students were asked what they would like to do to improve their school. Among the various responses came a comment that must have been retrieved from a dusty corner of used and trite criticisms.

"I think we should do away with the *Mirador*. It's the worst newspaper, etc. The writing is ridiculously third-grade, etc. The staff is prejudiced, etc." I could go on forever just selecting certain highlights from various and sundry criticisms waged against the school paper in past years.

While these may seem to be valid appraisals of the journalistic prowess that abounds in C-2, I wish all critics of the staff and its product could at some time participate in a week or more of preparation. Unbeknown to hundreds of readers, the *Mirador* operates on a set schedule with definite deadlines. If these deadlines are not met, or some other mix-up occurs, there may be a blemish on our record.

Material chosen for articles appears to be another sore point. Complaints are constantly being made that something worthwhile be written about, while at the same time interesting to the majority and pertinent to school. The *Mirador* will gladly accept any and all valid and appropriate suggestions for articles. After three quarters of being on the staff, we all know just how difficult it is to keep the old ideas coming. It is even harder to make an interesting article out of an extremely dull event. And the solution? If the very vocal critics of the newspaper would like to start something new and interesting, maybe the writing would have more appeal. There is so much apathy in Miramonte now that we should have a course in that subject to indoctrinate in-coming freshmen. It is those apathetic individuals who are the first to jump up and down screaming, "This is the worst paper I've ever read. Do something about it." But how many of these helpful students venture forward to help? Not many, I assure you.

STAND UP ON YOUR OWN TWO FEET!

While walking in Berkeley near the Student Union Building last Saturday, I chanced upon a young Negro man, explaining to all who would listen, the plight of the Negro in America today. He mentioned to the crowd of about eighty interested college students the problems of poor housing, unequal opportunity for jobs, and general prejudice. He stressed that he and the rest of the Negro race in America were sick of being spoon-fed by the white race. He stated that it was time for the Negro in America to stand on his own two feet, and that it was time for him to have some say in his own destiny. He demanded that the Negro be given that right, or that it would have to be taken by force.

Do the Negroes have the right to control their own destiny? If they are not allowed this right, can any means be used to secure this objective?

No one today will argue that the early American revolutionaries were wrong in asking for representation. The Boston Tea Party is looked up with pride as a rebellion against tyranny. Today, though, when slum-dwelling Negroes start a riot to protest their mistreatment, they are looked at with great anger. One may protest that we live in a Republic with democratic ideas, and that the Negroes have a legal way to control their destiny, and therefore do not have to riot. This would be true only if our system were ideal, and, being far from ideal, our system quite often gives more power to those who are wealthy than to the poor. A congressman will listen much more closely to the gripes of Standard Oil than to those of the dwellers of Harlem.

Frustration is a key word explaining the outlook of the Negro in Harlem, Detroit, Oakland, and many other places in the United States. He sees on TV healthy, happy families in trim, white houses with pools in back and lawns in front. These images frustrate more than motivate him. His frustration mounts during the summer when it is hot and he has nothing to do. Soon, some trivial thing makes him lose his temper, and soon a brawl develops, and then a riot.

I feel, therefore, that it is understandable that the Negroes riot, yet, the rioting can not be condoned, as it always causes more harm than good.

Soph President Feels Student Council is Worthwhile

David Olson ran for the office of Sophomore class president for two reasons: the first is he felt changes were needed, and the second was, "just for the thrill of it."

One of the main goals Dave has in mind for his class is to be able to have their own off-campus Senior Ball. But it looks as if Dave won't be around to see his plan come true — he has moved and will

finish his last two high school years at Campolindo.

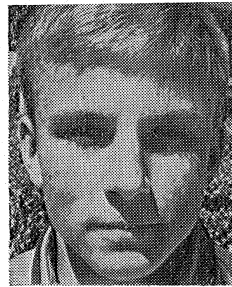
Outside of his participation in student government, Dave finds time for his other interests. He enjoys music and plays four in-

struments: the trombone, clarinet, drums, and the piano.

Dave is also active in sports. He holds a varsity position on both the swim and water polo teams.

Perhaps Dave's experience in Miramonte's student government will be useful in his future. Dave plans on majoring in law at the University of California at Berkeley, and then he hopes to continue on to law school.

This graduate of Inland Valley Intermediate came to Miramonte with high hopes for his part in the Representative Council. When asked about the effectiveness of the council Dave admitted that not as many changes have been made as he would like, but he feels the council is worthwhile to the school.



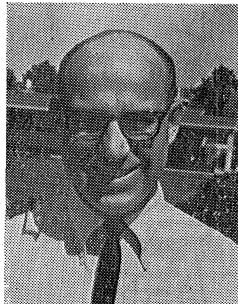
Dave Olson

Otie Loves Cats; Any Volunteers?

Physiology and biology students are urged to be very patient with Mr. Otis McCain's increasingly irrational behavior as summer approaches. He's about to become a father. Mr. and Mrs. McCain have already chosen a name for their first child. If the baby is a boy he will be called Brian, and if it's a girl she'll receive the lovely name of Christy Marie.

Mr. McCain has been teaching at Miramonte for six years. He attended Yuba Junior College in Marysville and then went on to obtain his B.A. degree and teaching credentials from San Francisco State College. He is currently taking some classes at U.C. Berkeley, and a few years ago he received an N.E.A. grant which enables him to spend his summers working on an M.A. degree in Life Science at the University of Montana.

This year Mr. McCain is serving as one of the advisors for Rally Committee. An avid fish-



Otis McCain

ing, hunting, and sports enthusiast, he gave up coaching the tennis team this season because, "I wanted to be available to give my students extra help after school."

As for the notion that physiology teachers have a pathological hatred of cats — it simply isn't true. Actually, Mr. McCain would just love to use people, but there's dearth of volunteers. Grinning, he recalled the time two of the biggest, strongest boys on campus fainted during a lab. He carries smelling salts around with him for just such emergencies.

Student Forum

CHANGE MIRAMONTE!

Due to the fantastic response which the question "What should be eliminated from Miramonte and why?" drew, the answers are being continued in this issue.

Kathy Dunlop—We need to eliminate a problem in the music department. We need a teacher for instruments and a teacher for choral. It is too hard for one man to do both. If other schools have two teachers we should, too. I think it would improve the music department very much.

Rich Kohler—Tardies and the bell system should be almost completely eliminated. The only bells that should exist would be at the start of school, end of lunch, and end of school. At lunch, KFRC or KYA should be played over the P.A. system. (It is.)

Martha Cunningham — Miramonte has an over abundance of lack of spirit. I think we should get rid of this feeling. When I go to a game it is really sad to watch our audience's non-cooperation with our cheerleaders and pom-pom girls. After all, these activities are optional. A good school has a spirited student body to back it up. I seriously feel Miramonte deserves backing up by the student body, which would make this school even better.

Lee Fairchild—If I were to change something at Miramonte, I would change the method of waiting for the bus after school. When it's raining after school, waiting for the bus is terrible. Not only is it cold but because there is only

a roof you get drenched when rain comes at a slant.

Mark Keating — Miramonte should cut down the traffic in the parking lots by having the back gate open all the time. We should also get more parking space.

Francie Stack—I think Miramonte should continue Russian. I talked about this to my brother and was told that not enough people wanted to take it to make it worthwhile teaching. I suggest that they only teach it every other year, and then there would be enough people.

Rob Moylan—I would eliminate the long brunch lines and lunch lines by making a few more places for lunch and brunch.

Jim Valov — Definitely the biggest thing that should be eliminated is the good old *Mirador* itself. It is the worst newspaper I have ever read. The editorials are of no binding interest. The feature articles are trite and biased. The staff writers are involved with their friends only. The articles only apply to the small circle of friends around the writers.

NOTE TO JIM VALOV AND OTHER SUCH CRITICS:

The *Mirador* staff realizes that the *Mirador* has many flaws. However, there are several problems to overcome. We would welcome any constructive criticism, particularly concerning our problem of one-sidedness. It is difficult to have a well-rounded paper without help from others.

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MAD's New Curriculum Creeps Closer Now Offers Something To Please All

Everyone is wondering about MAD. The speculators disagree on the outcome of the day and those involved in the planning are hoping it will be successful. Perhaps you want to know what it is all about.

MAD is a hopefully harmless nickname for Miramonte Activity Day. The purpose of MAD is to broaden the student enthusiasm for education by providing an outlet for varied interests.

How will it work? On April 24, the first MAD, students will go to seven classes in the morning, spending a half hour in each class. The brunch and lunch periods will be scheduled as usual. The afternoon will provide MAD activities in three time blocks, each lasting 50 minutes.

Perhaps you are thinking that this will be a good day for cutting? A warning — cutting will be punished as usual and tardies will be more or less in effect. Students are expected to be in an activity within the first four or five minutes of the time block.

Many activities have been planned for the first MAD and perhaps more can be planned for the second Miramonte Activity Day to be held May 23. Some of the proposed field trips are going to such places as Oakland Tech and regions in this area of interest to Biology students.

Hikes and other outdoor activities are also on MAD's agenda. Many students would like to venture into Canyon with guitars, sketch books and cameras. G.A.A. is sponsoring a hike for all interested girls.

MAD is a learning day and to follow this theme, one of the activities will be a High School Bowl (similar to the College Bowl games on TV — between third and fourth period government students. There will be the two teams with four volunteer players on each team. Questions will be raised from all the disciplines and a 1963-64 Talking Miramonte Yearbook will be given to the winning team.

For those of you who enjoy art there may be offered two or three time blocks of open art. You are not limited to staying in one time block only. Some activities may last two time blocks or the entire three. If you want to study, the library will be open and one of the rooms will be made available for study hall.

To make MAD a success, the cooperation of all students and faculty members is needed. The continuation of this program depends on you. So let's all willingly participate in the activities the faculty has worked hard to provide us with.

Opn House Draws Many To Exhibits

On April 22 the annual open house will be held at Miramonte. It will begin at 7:30 with a short Parents' Club meeting. Following the meeting, parents, students, and guests will be able to wander around to the different classes, meet teachers, see demonstrations, visit the MUDS display in the library, and see "Miramonte '67-'68." Fred Sigworth's movie about this school year.

This year the MUDS students journeyed to Mendocino. The products of their creativity along with many arts and crafts projects will make up the display in the library. This is usually the most interesting and most crowded exhibit at an open house.

The vocal part of the music department will present three sections of songs. The girls' choir will sing three songs of Brahms, an Israeli folk song, and a folk song of the 16th century written by Praetorius. The acapella choir will present songs of many lands, some in the language of the countries represented. The honor choir from Miramonte will sing folk songs of the day accompanying themselves on guitars, banjo and bass.

The girls P.E. department is planning a Swedish gymnastics demonstration by the freshman and a modern dance demonstration by several junior and senior groups. There will also be demonstrations in science, industrial arts, and business typing.

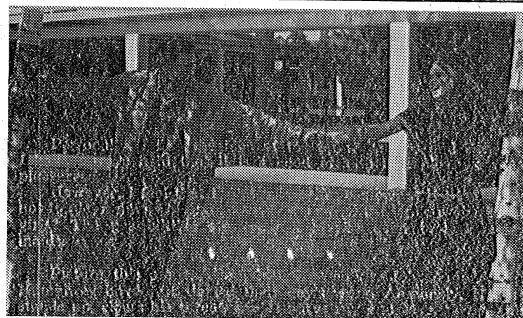
One problem of open house is that some classes in which students work hard have nothing to demonstrate except smiling teachers trying to make conversation with smiling parents.

Erin McKinney — Lady Godiva because she was an individualist and stood up for the rights of her people.

Ralph Newman — Me. You haven't heard of me? Read the 1986 textbooks. They'll tell about me.

Jim Boone — Peeping Tom. I like looking at individualists who stand for the rights of their people.

Igor Alexander — Jesus Christ. He lived in interesting times. He loved His fellow man and was very kind. He must have been a really great man, as people still talk about Him two thousand years later. Of course, being crucified wouldn't have been much fun, but it would have been groovy to come back from the dead.



SENIOR PERSONALITY Mirador Scrapes the Barrel; Finds Garth and Shelley on the Bottom

You remember Garth Michaels as the dumb servant in the "Doctor in Spite of Himself" and as Homer in the Senior Play. When asked which character was most like himself, Garth said, "neither." Garth believes acting should be "a projection" of a character unlike yourself.

Garth came to Miramonte at the beginning of his Junior year. Believe it or not — Garth likes Miramonte better than his former school, Skyline. He said, "Skyline is more cliquy."

Without a doubt Garth has a sense of humor and a cheerful disposition, but this interview he was in a more serious mood. "Schools should continue to become more liberal." Garth feels that the students should have more say; have more to do with what goes on at school.

Still serious, Garth told his philosophy of life. He wasn't sure how to put it into words, but it seems that Garth believes strongly in freedom of expression. He thinks that some of society's rules "defeat their own purpose when they prevent people from living in a manner they prefer." To sum it all up Garth feels that people should be able to do what they please without infringing on the rights of others. Sounds like the Bill of Rights!

Garth wants to be a lawyer when he gets out of school. He plans studying at Cal Berkeley. His aspirations include going into a branch of law "where the money is."

"The only reason I'm going to Santa Rosa next year is so I can live in an apartment with Deni and Sue," claimed Miss Shelley Rieger, this week's senior Personality. "What will my parents do without me?"

In a recent interview, Miss Rieger was at a total loss for words when she learned of her selection as Senior Personality. "I can only think that I was chosen because they've run out of people to do it."

As Senior class Social Secretary, Shelley is in charge of the Senior Ball, which will be held on May 10 in the Colonial Room of the St. Francis Hotel. "We finally got two groups after a lot of trouble — the Stained Glass and the Marlins. We hope that every Senior comes to the Ball, because it will be the best ever." Shelley is also planning the Senior Picnic, to be held on the football field sometime after the Senior Banquet on May 21. The picnic should be great, too.

Miss Rieger enjoys hill climbing in jeeps in Tilden Park, food freaks at Mt. Hermon, and eating almost anything except lima beans. She also likes to lose weight; it's natural that she hates fat people. Does she have any friends???

As for the future, Shelley plans to work again at the Park Pool this summer. Eventually, she hopes to become a Kindergarten teacher because she feels a close association with young children.

QUESTION MAN Historical Counterparts Come Alive

This week's thought provoking question elicited some very original responses: Who would you have liked to have been in history?

Phyllis Lucas — Annie Oakley, because I like riding horses and cowboys, and I like all Western things.

John Guilliams — John Muir. He was able to wander at will through a vast wilderness that only partially exists today.

Don Bain — Dr. Samuel Johnson L.L.D. He was the world's greatest conversationalist and one of its best analysts of the course of human events.

Janet Moe — Jedidiah Smith, because in 5th grade I read an orange book about how he went across the country and saw California from the mountains

with no smog and unpolluted streams. And because he was a great figure of a man.

Chris Coran — I would like to have been the wife of Tzar Nicholas I. They were not faced with revolution, and lived a very luxurious, placid, contented life.

Gary Gegan — Jesus, because it seems appropriate. I wouldn't dig getting strung out on that cross but other than that one hang-up He just about had it made.

Megan Monohan — Thumbelina. She was bite-size. She grew up in Copenhagen with H. C. Andersen. She was a high strung dietetic. Ha Ha Ha Ha, she ate her heart out.

Jim Boreta — Genghis Khan, because he was aggressive and a wise leader. Great warrior, too.

BEAUTY BEAT

Are you wondering what to give your mom for Mother's Day or are you trying to decide what the entire family would be happy with for an Easter gift? Weddings are popular in Spring and deciding what to give newlyweds can be a problem. Why not give a decorative pair of candles?

Candles have been used for centuries. In fact, the ancient Roman civilization used bees wax candles for centuries and they've been used by the Europeans since the Middle Ages and they are still popular today!

Acalanes Pharmacy in Lafayette is devoting an entire section of their store to a new display of candles. They have old colonial candles, modern U-shaped candles and even psychedelic candles in all the wild and groovy new colors. Candle holders as well as candles can be found in all shapes, colors and sizes, so if you're worried about selecting a gift, your problem has been solved by Acalanes Pharmacy.

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Spring Inspires Clubs and Classes

Miramonte's classes and clubs have picked March and April for their active months. Many magnificent activities have been planned.

The Biology Club, for example, has two up-and-coming field trips planned. April 20 is the date the members of the Biology Club will hold the annual field trip to the beach.

They will spend May 17, 18, 19 in Yosemite National Park. Mr. William Kyner and his advanced biology class will be taking advantage of low tide, April 16, by going to a beach to explore the wonders of the deep.

The ACT production "In

White America" will be the destination today, April 5, of the Drama Class. Future productions of the Drama Class and club are: "David and Lisa," "Crawling Arnold," and "The Importance of Being Earnest."

The movie version of "Hamlet" was viewed Wednesday, April 3, by some of the English four classes. The film was shown at the Fox, Berkeley.

The French Club feasted on fabulous fromage fondue last Tuesday, March 26. The fondue party was held at Ralph Newman's house. Guests were fed melted cheese with bread, salad, fresh fruit, and petit fours.

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this coupon and purchase of
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JOHN'S JOURNAL

Scouts Scour Halls For Promising Prospects

By all indications, there seems to be a natural history of ineffectiveness among Mirador sports editors. This uncanny talent for attempting to perform the improbable seems to have been passed down from one sports editor to another, finally flopping itself into my unsuspecting hands.

I speak, of course, in reference to the brilliant idea I had last issue of including a sports quiz on my page. Needless to say, my inherited talent immediately reduced this basically good idea to a slightly catastrophe. First of all, as I should have foreseen, the contest was won by two of the brothers involved (Clyde Wilson and Dave Blomgren), second of all, as I should have guessed, Mrs. Rosso disavowed the prize and denied ever knowing me.

Now, having my remorseful groveling out of the way, I get down to business. Last issue, some fiery minded liberal had the unmitigated gaul to viciously attack and slander Miramonte's venerable tardy system. Speaking in behalf of Miramonte's sports department, and of the track team in particular, I feel it my duty to object.

Many people obviously don't realize what an important part the tardy system plays in the athletic life of Miramonte. First of all, it keeps the boys of the school in shape. Many times I have observed one of my more slovenly fellow athletes from third period P.E. and who had never in P.E. class displayed anything more dazzling than a rhythmic plod, dashing madly and adroitly across memorial circle in a desperate effort to beat the bell to his chemistry class.

Even more important, the tardy system is one of the greatest scouting devices Miramonte's track team could ever hope to employ. Perhaps you may have noticed that every year, just prior to the opening of the season, track coaches Mr. Wedell and Mr. Phillips, stand casually in the corridors, clocking the panicked pupils as they sprint from one class to another. "Holy Moley!" gasps Mr. Wedell as he sees a promising prospect hurdle over a garbage can. "Look at that form!"

Abolish the tardy system? You might as well burn the athletic charter!

Coach Yaich Remarks On Hurlers

"It's the youngest baseball team I've ever worked with," stated Coach Bran Yaich in an interview with the Mirador. "Our starting team has only one senior, while it has five juniors and three sophomores."

The varsity team has a strong infield, and a potentially great pitcher in the form of Joe Dirick. Hustle is definitely one of the real big assets of the team. At the moment, excellent hitting is making up for the lack of experience and occasionally wild pitching. According to the coach, "This is a good all around team."

So far, the Mat batmen have won three games while losing two. Their league record is two and one. This year, the league is rather peculiar in that there are three very good teams and three very poor teams, with Miramonte and two other teams in between.

Coach Strain's JV is also rather young, as a direct result of the drafting the three top sophomores onto the varsity

team. Doug Daniloff, Randy Hooper, John Thomas, Steve Miller, and Rob Bierman highlight the team. The JV record is three wins and two losses, and in league play the record is one and two.

Coach Yaich is extremely excited in the brand new Freshman baseball team. "This is a great potential strength for next year's JV and varsity teams. It not only gives the Freshmen boys a chance to play more ball, but it also expands the amount of boys who can play, and it allows the boys to play the position they want to so that they may become proficient at it," smiled Coach Yaich. He went on to state that this may be the best thing that's happened to the Mat baseball team in the years that he has been coach.

Sportlite Deubner Strides Into Last Year

Alan Deubner, star of track and cross country thinks that this year's track team, "has a good chance to win the league championship since we beat Del Valle soundly and if we beat Campolindo."

Alan who has been a trackster at Miramonte for four years runs the 880. His best time in this event was 2:01.2 which he ran in a meet with Piedmont at Miramonte. In the league meet when he was a junior, Alan placed 5th in the half mile.

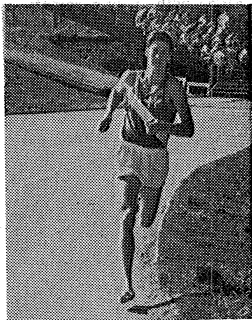
"The fastest runner doesn't always win the race. You have to run a smart race," is his philosophy. A letterman for four years in cross country and for two years in track, Alan also pole vaults.

For the past two summers he has been working with a river touring outfit as a guide on the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon and on the Stanislaus River and sometimes in Idaho and Oregon.

Alan is also a motorcycle enthusiast. This is already known by many people who see him stride on campus in the morning swinging his crash helmet. He also enjoys "driving big trucks." (He didn't explain this any further).

Kayaking is another of Alan's favorite pastimes. He "kayaks" on the Stanislaus River and sometimes in the ocean (surfing in a kayak?)

ported by Ken Langen and John Dawson. Mats also controlled the longer distances, placing Jerry Guibert and Steve Campbell first and second in



Alan Deubner



MATS MAUL TROJANS

Miramonte's thinclads, having downed Alhambra 73 to 54 and having nipped a strong San Ramon team 64 to 63, swept forward to its third league victory by decimating the Del Valle Trojans 85½ to 41½. The Mats picked up many of their points in the distance events, where Alan Deubner took first in the 880, strongly sup-

ported by the mile and Jon Wight and Wade Mort first and second in the two mile.

There were two double winners in the meet, one of whom was Dave Higley who took the long jump competition at 20' 4½" and who led the pole vaulters at 11' 6". In the latter effort, he was supported by Bill Mutch's 2nd place. The other double winner was Mike Payne who posted a 10.2 in the hundred and a 23.3 in the 220.

Other top places were Cole, Edwards, Beardsley and Payne, first in the 440 yard relay with a time of 44.9, Keith Miller, taking 1st in the shot put with 47' 10", John Armstrong, second in the high jump at 6' 0", Chris Nikolai, 2nd in the 440, and Scott Voelker placing 2nd in the discus.

Third place berths were secured by Jim Mes in the 880, Steve Lewis in the discus, Loring Edwards in the 220, and Bob Rathie in the shot put.

The following Saturday, the tracksters travelled to the San Ramon relays. Because many of the necessary men were not able to attend, Miramonte took no first places. The Mats showed good depth, however, and took 5 second places to secure an overall third place in the meet. The second places were in the 480 yard low hurdle relay, the 280 yard high hurdle relay, the pole vault relay, (where Higley went 12' 8" and Mutch vaulted 12'), the sprint medley relay, and the two mile relay.

Tankers Swim On

As the middle of the swimming season approaches, the swim team is battling it out for second place in the league after its loss to Las Lomas. In all other league meets this year, the team has easily won. Outstanding performances in the most recent league meet against Del Valle were turned in by Randy Williams, Ron Rawson, Steve Patching and Dan Dupuis.

In non-league meets, the team has won every one except a very close meet to Tamalpais High. In the recent San Lorenzo meet, both Jack Miller and Pete Schnugg won their events with excellent times. At the last meet against Fremont, several seniors came through and led the team to an easy victory. Among those seniors that dominated the meet were Doug Renwick, Tom Beckett, Jim Block and, with an excellent 50 yard free style, Greg "Penguin" Koepf.

A few weeks ago, the varsity team went to the San Leandro Relays and took fifth place out of 20 teams. The best performances were by the Breaststroke Relay, the Butterfly Relay, the backstroke men, and the Distance Relay.

Former Matador Stars

TOM KLING Amherst College of Massachusetts has awarded senior Tom Kling of Orinda, California, his third varsity "A" for his performance this season on the swimming team.

Kling was a diver for the Lord Jeffs who posted a 7-4 record for this season and a sixth at the New England Inter-collegiate Championships. Coach Henry Dunbar said that Kling "contributed valuable points in several meets."

At Amherst he is presently a Senior.

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