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## MHS REPRESENTS KENYA AT MODEL U.N.

Amidst picketers at Sather Gate, campus militia and Berkeley policemen. 1300 students attended the Seventeenth Annual High School Model United Nations Conference which took place two weeks ago, February 13, 14, and 15 at the University of California at Berkeley.

General assemblies, committee meetings, speeches, and the passing of several resolutions and the general chaos of the United Nations characterized this mock session.

Thursday afternoon was registration and in the evening

the first Plenary Session or General Assembly was followed by the caucus meetings. The speaker in the General Assembly was the Assistant Secretary General to the United Nations, Mr. Agha Abdul Hamid. He spoke about the background and purpose of the United Nations followed by a question and answer period where he was asked about Vietnam and a world monetary system among other things. The caucus meetings were held by each of the five different committees to discuss resolutions in blocs.

Miramonte's delegation represented Kenya and attended the Afro-Asian bloc caucus meetings. The caucus meetings were officially over at 11:00 p.m. but many went on until at least 3 a.m. in the Hotel Claremont.

Friday, each delegate and observer spent the day in committee meetings trying to pass resolutions and amendments to resolutions. Pages ran around taking notes from delegates Beth Harris, Greg Mills, Janet Fahey, Ed Buffalow and John Armstrong, who were trying to solicit backing for the resolutions and amendments they were backing.

Each committee meeting is run true to form to the actual United Nations. All of the delegates from MHS made speeches for or against resolutions and amendments but few people listened. In most cases one amendment resolution was passed in each committee.

General Assembly was held again all day on Saturday. Resolutions were passed on giving aid to the Biafran people, an apartheid on South West Africa, condemnation of Russia for intervening in Czechoslovakia and a plan designed to prevent resolutions in Latin America.

The resolutions passed in this session were much more liberal than those that would be passed in the United Nations.



Bank of America winners pictured above are — Left to right: Marcia Wilson, Fine Arts; Harold Hallikainen, Industrial Arts; and Fred Sigworth, Liberal Arts. Not pictured is Diane Jonte, Humanities.

## VARIETY IS KEYNOTE FOR SPRING M.A.D.

Miramonte Activity Day is here again! Wednesday, March 12 marks the arrival of the second M.A.D. for the 1968-1969 school year. The time schedule for the day is basically the same, except 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th period will be before lunch; after lunch the M.A.D. activities will begin.

At the time this article was written, only a few offerings had yet been submitted to the M.A.D. committee. The final M.A.D. program will be much more extensive, and some of the suggestions below may not be presented. At present, a College Bowl, similar to last year's, is planned with the Senior class competing against the juniors.

There may possibly be a Renaissance fair, with booths for selling homemade merchandise and food typical of the Renaissance era. Some students have arranged a program about and with a Moog synthesizer, a machine that creates electronic music. Another student has contacted a V.I.S.T.A. volunteer to come and speak about his work with interested students.

Miramonte Activity Day is entirely produced by students and it requires the student support to make it a success. If you have not already done so, submit any M.A.D. offerings to the Administration Office.

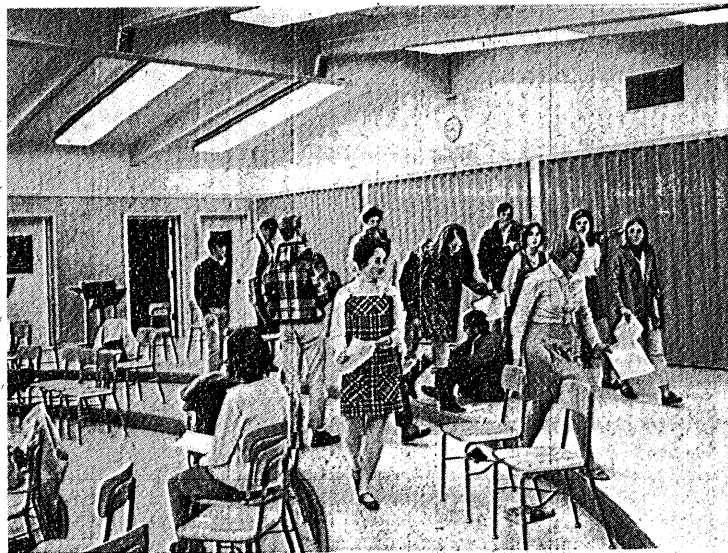
## Semester Courses Approved for MHS For Coming Fall

Next fall will mark the beginning of semester courses at Miramonte. Both the Social Studies and English departments will offer several new courses on a semester basis as well as courses which have previously been taught for an entire year.

Open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors will be the new semester course in world problems and the Asian studies group, while only juniors and seniors will be eligible for both anthropology and psychology.

The English department also plans to offer juniors and seniors a choice of two of the ten courses being offered to form a year long English program. The survey course in American writers is the only required course and may be taken in any semester of either the junior or senior years.

Other courses include a survey course in English literature courses concerning advanced composition, great books, poetry and dramatic literature, satire and social themes, religious literature, the short story and non-fiction, nature and use of language, and contemporary language and basic composition as well as courses involved with debating, journalism, public speaking, and yearbook.



## SENIORS MORALIZE IN "THE FIREBUGS"

A play with a moral, this year's senior play, to be presented March 20, 21, 22 and will be "The Firebugs." As described by Mrs. Betty Hess director, the "Fire Bugs" is an extremely funny social satire about a middle class business man who has two thugs move into his house to live with him. He would like to kick them out, but is afraid that they will blackmail him if he does. They proceed to burn up his house and town because they're fire bugs.

This play is an allegory; the fire bugs symbolize the problems of today's society. We in the drama department have

chosen to think of the fire bugs as student radicals for the first half of the show, and as the forces of conservatism for the second half. The moral of this play is that neither one of these forces affects the average citizen. Mr. Biedermann, the main character goes on looking out for himself.

Mr. Biedermann is played by Ron Langberg; his wife Babette — Sally Ferguson; their maid Anna — Sue Boyle; the two fire bugs Bernie Smith — John Armstrong, Willie Maria Isenring — Mike Payne; the policeman — Casey Manfrin. Peggy Kerigan is the student director.

## Fourteen Seniors Chosen By B. of A.

Recently 14 seniors were honored in the Bank of America Achievement Awards Program. Four were rewarded for outstanding achievements in general fields of study and have a chance to compete with other winners for cash up to \$1,000.

The four students from Miramonte are Fred Sigworth, science and math; Marcia Wilson, fine arts; Diane Jonte, liberal arts; and Harold Hallikainen, vocational arts. A scholarship committee formed of the administration, counselors, and department heads chose the students according to their grades, civic responsibility, and evidences of leadership.

Fred, Marcia, Diane, and Harold will have their records sent to a screening committee which will select students from the area high schools to appear in a

zone event, April 10 in Walnut Creek. The students will be interviewed by distinguished leaders and then winners will be chosen by the interviews and records.

The top four winners in the zone event will advance to the area finals. This is the highest phase of competition with cash awards from \$150 to \$1000.

Ten other students were chosen by the departments as specific winners. The following students will receive certificates of merit for this.

Greg Mills, math; Sarah French, lab science; Kathy Dunlop, music; David Liu, art; Lai's Kolbeck, English; Lizanne Moulton, social science; Helen Benes, foreign languages; Joanne Burr, business; Eva Fredriksson, home economics; John Guillems, industrial arts.

## McCarthy Fund Boosted

The combined antics of Miramonte's and Campolindo's faculty drew a near full house on February 17 at the annual Brian McCarthy Memorial Scholarship Game. The game began promptly at 7:30 p.m.

Ten seconds later, Miramonte was ahead 3-0 on Tom Strain's driving lay-up and successful free throw. Unfortunately, this moment of glory was short-lived. Campolindo ran off a string of nine points before Miramonte was able to score again. Miramonte never overcame the deficit and lost by the score of 47-42.

Bob Harris was top scorer with Tom Strain and Tom Blackwood also contributing considerably. Other teachers helping were Otis McCain, Bill Kyner, John Guzzo, John Sargis, John Kell, and Mike Whitaker.

The game was played to raise money for the Brian McCarthy Memorial Scholarship. Gate receipts of \$280 prove that the game was very successful.

The senior who best exhibits the late Mr. McCarthy's love for science and his inquisitive search for knowledge is rewarded by this scholarship. In 1967 Julie Anderson won the reward while Alan Deubner received it in 1968. The 1969 scholarship is not yet decided.

## CALENDAR

Feb. 28 Basketball at Las Lomas  
March 3 Basketball at San Ramon  
March 7 "Gigi" 3 Act Play  
March 12 M.A.D.  
March 13-15 Del Valle Tournament  
March 14 Sophomore Dance  
March 20 F.I.C. Talent Show  
March 20-22 Senior Play

# RICHMOND TUTORING FINDS LYNN EAGER BUT ANXIOUS OVER RESULTS

by LYNN ROBINSON

Saturday morning at 9:45, I'm in Cathy Sadestrom's van, on my way to Richmond I wonder, "Have I brought the right books?" "Have they remembered from last week?" and most important, "Will they come at all?"

"They" are two little black kids, Wayne, a first-grader and Colleen, his sister, a second-grader. Both kids come Saturday mornings to Neighborhood House in Richmond to be tutored—mainly in reading.

I'm one of many people who tutor — everyone has his own reasons and feelings about it — I don't even know mine yet. Fun?—no, not usually. Rewarding? — perhaps but not often. Fulfilling, stimulating — I could go on but none of these noble words apply to me. I don't feel any great surge of accomplishment — perhaps later I'll feel more productive, but not now.

Upon our arrival at Neighborhood House, there's no visible sign of welcome — just faces, big eyes, guarded looks, a few clean white smiles — but all beautiful, beautiful black faces. They are mostly shy, wary, a few overexuberant—but all typical kids.

Wayne and Colleen aren't here yet — I wonder if they will come at all. I wonder if at that age I'd give up a precious Saturday morning — to sit inside and learn to read — I doubt it.

Here they are — that to me is the most important step, that they came. I get Wayne started in on "The Cat in the Hat." I watch him as he reads — lips all tense, forehead puckered, his eyes are big in concentration and move from written word to my face every few moments. His feet knock against the chair, he stalls at the word 'WE', almost says 'For' then

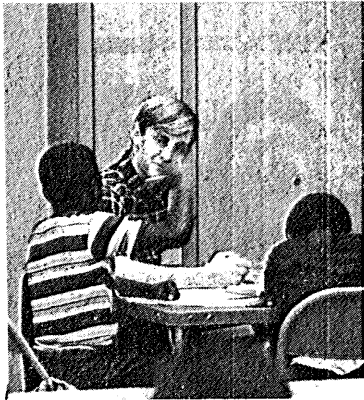
bursts out with accomplished 'WE!!'

Colleen is already reading to herself out of a 3rd grade book — she glances up every now and then—but never looks full into my eyes. She's withdrawn, her eyes dart around when she makes a mistake. They dart less as we get along.

Time to go—I found that the two hours passed slowly—am I relieved or sad that it's over? I don't know, a little of both I suppose. They leave without a good-bye or thank-you, but their waves and shy smiles are more than enough.

We didn't accomplish an awful lot, but I have the good feeling that it was worthwhile. It's funny how much you can become involved with two little big-eyed kids. Funny, but sad.

I wonder if they'll come next week.



Bay Area volunteers tutor Richmond students in Neighborhood House.

## PRES SEZ

by Greg Mills

What exactly is "District Policy," that elusive term that defies definition, but yet still appears repeatedly during noon bull sessions? It is probably described most frequently as "that set of rules and regulations set forth by the Administration." The normal pattern of thought on the subject must be this: District Policy is a product of the Administration, the Administration is connected with the omnipotent Establishment, the Establishment is associated with Evil and Injustice, therefore District Policy is BAD.

Does anyone really know the true nature of this universal scapegoat for student problems? Perhaps it is a seething, pulsating creature that stalks the realms of our educational system, pouncing on the innocent and the unwary, engulfing these

victims in its deep, dark bowels. Will this be our common fate? Are we all to perish at the feet of the Great Max?

Such visions may be going through your minds, but effective opposition to this animal calls for just a little more logic. Did these rules have their origin in the marble halls of the county or state board of education? This is unlikely.

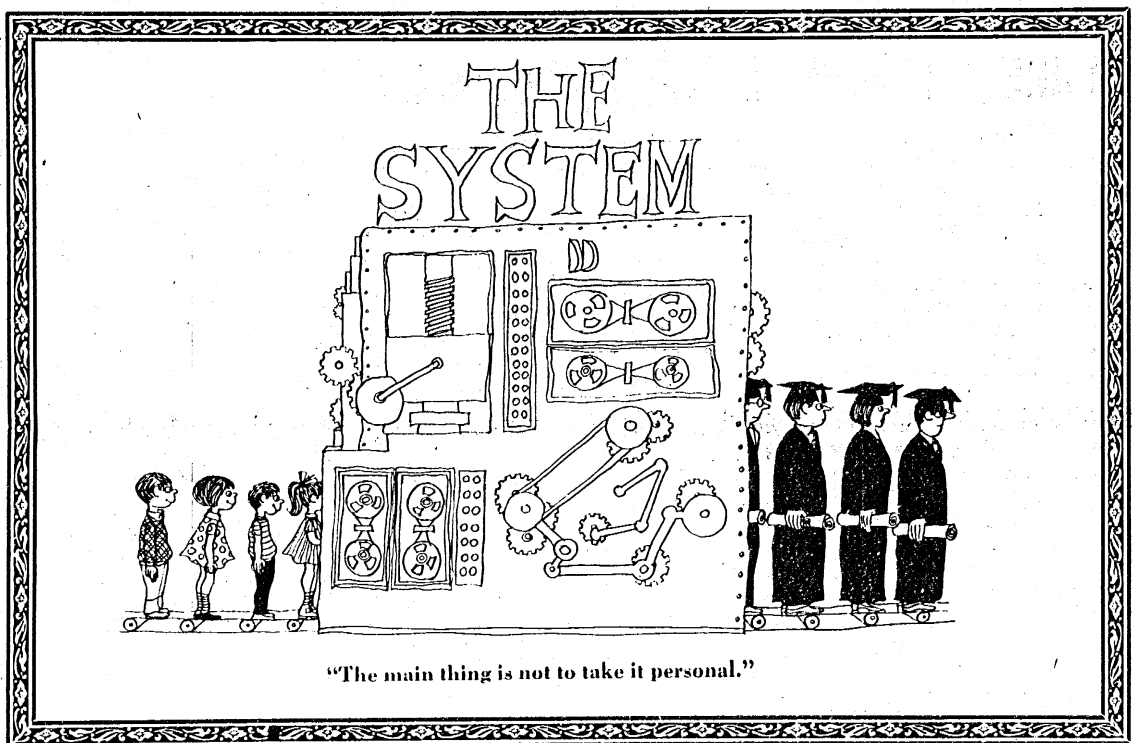
These regulations are the students and our actions. They were born out of our behavior. Any opposition to them must be based on a change in student conduct. School systems are inherently conservative and skeptical of change. Either we must prove them wrong or comply with their decisions. Intelligent, well-reasoned arguments are those that will be heard.

### THE MIRADOR STAFF BOX CUB ISSUE

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## BULL SESSIONS EXPOSE VIBRATIONS OF TODAY

Remember your last Thursday night? . . .

Next Thursday at 7:30, make it out to the teen-center for the weekly Bull Session. Chuck Shields, the director of the center leads and sometimes follows discussions on God, reasoning processes, communications, non-violence, music, race relations and the insular suburbia we live in. Outside speakers are also featured.

In the recent past they have had speakers from the community. One of the more recent ones was Father Mangini from Santa Maria church in Orinda. He talked about his new views of the Catholic Church. He also discussed the revolution in the Church.

## Volunteer Army vs. Draft Pom Pon Girls Promote Spirit

Greg Hastings — That would depend upon whether or not enough people dig the idea of killing and burning the young children and villages for a few bucks a month. I think that a few people, mostly those in the law enforcement profession have the desire to participate in this force. This new concept for the military has been a long time coming and now that it is here, I think it will work. Thank God that it may relieve me of the burden.

Mr. Ron Brown — Obviously an army will never be necessary to defend our nation from any form of direct attack. The threat of devastating nuclear retaliation is enough to ward off any serious enemy. However, many Americans feel that an army is needed to maintain what is theoretically called an international balance of power. For theoretical purposes Mr. Nixon realizes our government cannot long continue to force young men to risk their lives.

In some people's eyes the idea of a volunteer army might be viewed as a threat to the well being of the nation. It has been

pointed out that mercenary armies tend to be more loyal to their generals than to their government. However, the present Selective Service System, as it now operates, represents a more serious threat to the survival of our democracy than the possibility of a coup d'etat from a volunteer army. At the present time draft boards are composed of unidentified individuals, answerable to no one. Board members are supposedly volunteers from the community—but do you know who your local board members are? These relatively autonomous boards, following directives from a senile old man in Washington, have used their power to stifle dissent, channel the manpower of their communities into so-called strategic occupations and have kept young men from minority groups, who haven't been able to get into college, out of the local unskilled labor market. The continued operation of these boards could lay the foundation for totalitarianism in this country.



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# STUDENT OPINION

## Boy-Girl Policies Need Examination

by  
Francy Leftwitch

The many policies at Miramonte leave much room for individual discretion on personal matters. One of the policies that has been recently brought to my attention is the one concerning boy-girl relationships. It states that "boy-girl relationships should be in good taste." Stated this way it leaves each couple to interpret and define "good taste."

At this time I am trying to come out of a personal involvement in this and look at it in another way. If good taste means that which will not offend and embarrass our fellow students and teachers, then the problem lies here. Why is it that in our society embarrassment is caused by something as natural as love? I am not advocating heavy kissing and other very personal signs of

affection and love at school, I am merely trying to get people to examine and question the reaction to public affection.

This all stems from our heavy Puritan background in which love was a sin. The stern lives that our ancestors led still affect us. Dancing, to them, was considered immoral and prohibited. Today people are still hung up in their ethics. The emphasis is not on real love, a love that has to grow and develop but on something else superficial like social pressures. People may marry for money or status and love. We all see the rising divorce rate nowadays.

Even right here kids "love" each other because it is the neat thing to do. A guy may boast of the chick he had last weekend and his friends may accept him in their social group. All of this is a corruption of the highest gift God gave us and what I am saying is to examine this and be a little careful of love because... it's all we need.

## To Speak Of Life by Steve Serr

When one attempts to speak of life, how should he and an of life, how should he approach the subject? He should understand first that he is discussing one topic rather than many. Life is a delicate pattern woven on the loom of time. It's a glistening pattern shining of dew and fresh fallen snow. The pattern is ever changing, constantly moving, shimmering with the silken hues of magic colors. With one breath, one can take in the harmonious balance of allthings, a part of the quivering life itself.

An aroma of living fills the air, and I take a deep breath. I stretch my arms and appreciate the world around me. It's a friendly place, and even rain, it too is beautiful and not at all gloomy. Rain is just the playing fingers of the child of the sky. One evening I stepped outside into the night and into the world. I felt the rain play with me, it touched my face and painted sparkles on the pavement. No minstrel could duplicate the music, no artist could copy the colors. It was the pulsating life waiting for me. I ran out to meet life and felt life rush towards me. My strides became longer and the night threw in my face sweet ambrosia. I must have run for quite

## Bod-Card Changes by Eric Olafson

The recent amendment passed concerning student body cards was a token measure set forth by the conservative advisory board. At a discussion of student body cards, prior to the proposed amendment, the Advisory Board "listened" to the arguments and suggestions as a Three Card System Identification, a student body card, and a student body card including the yearbook, and a sticker system with the same idea were brought up, but did the Advis-

ory Board listen and put forth some of these suggestions before a democratic vote? The answer is no. They put forth an amendment that made not practical change and retained such nebulous terms as "student body awards." Greg Mills and the By-laws Committee are working on this "new" amendment and I hope you come to the next By-law Committee meeting and see if we can propose a new amendment. The By-laws Committee meets after school in Mr. Campbell's office on Tuesdays.

## ADMINISTRATION RULES ALL by Sharon Medcraft

In the beginning the word was the Board of Education and the Board was the word. This board created Miramonte to its

own likeness and saw that it was good. Now along with this creation of the educational institution for higher learning was established by whom it makes no matter, an organization known or unknown as the case may be as the almighty and ever powerful Executive Council to govern and rule over the population of the Associated Student Body of Miramonte High School.

a distance without realizing it and finally tiring, I stopped in the half light of evening. I stood by myself, but not alone. My friends were all around me. I could hear the raindrops laughing as they played their music and the kind wind stopped, just for me, that I might hear and appreciate the beautiful world that I suddenly found myself a part of.

As a member of the school an individual is allowed the privilege to vote for the candidates he feels are most qualified and who would represent him through thick and thin. The big question is, "Are they doing their jobs?"

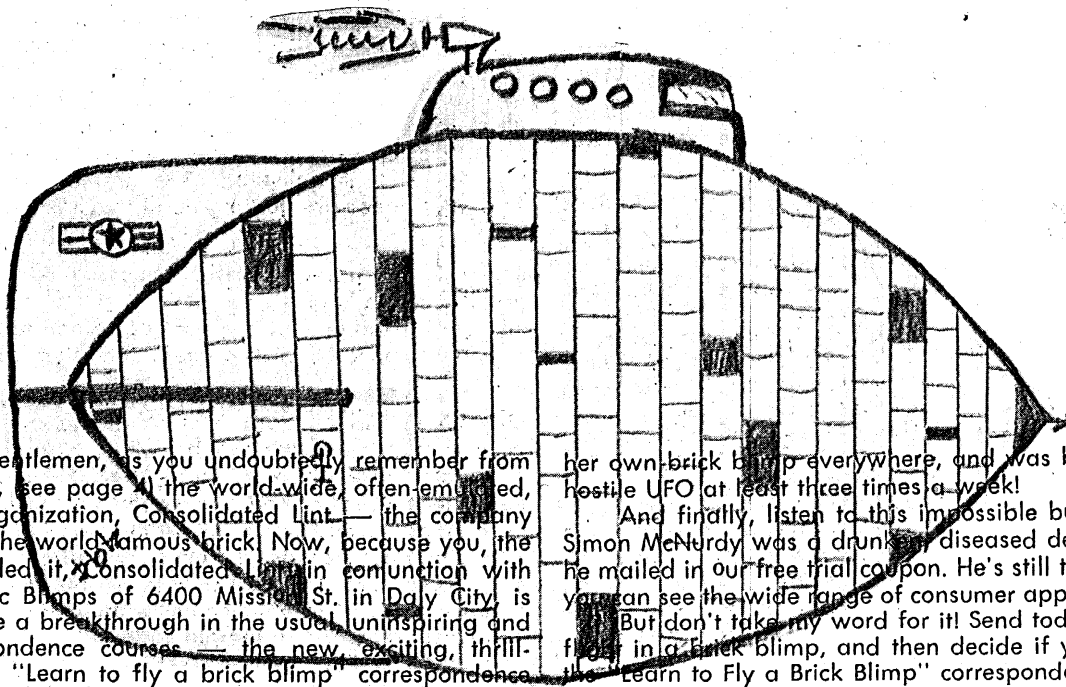
As far as the activities program is concerned, this year's council has done one bang up job, but have they done much else?

The records show that out of a student body 1,500 strong, one person has come to the council with a legitimate gripe to be heard. Nobody is going to convince anybody that in this whole school only one person has a complaint. Why haven't more people expressed their opinions? If they don't agree with what's going on, the council is there to help them.

Student government is a puppet in the hands of the administration. How many times that has been said which, by the way, is not completely true and with student support could be eliminated. The name itself is a little disarming and when do you see the Executive Council except in a group, separated from the majority by the stage and spot light during the Awards and Welcome Assemblies. Does the ordinary student want to communicate with this supposedly super human group and would they possibly understand his problems? One thing is forgotten by so many people when they think that Executive Council is composed of 18 students, ranging from freshmen to senior all having problems and all very much human whose main job is to serve the student.

Maybe it is part of their duty to seek out the student and the problems facing him, though it could also be a student responsibility to himself and his fellow students to voice his complaints before the council and to use his government effectively.

## THE BRICK BLIMP



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her own brick blimp everywhere, and was being mistaken for a hostile UFO at least three times a week!

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# Too Much Emphasis on Sports Academics Given "Cold Shoulder"

by Bruce Stewart

It seems to me, that as least here at Miramonte, a strange paradox exists; namely, that nothing, as far as budgetary allowances are concerned, is quite as sacred, pure and pristine as the athletic program. A major portion of every year's budget is concerned with such items as transportation for football, basketball, wrestling and swimming teams, cleaning costs for uniforms, equipment, and accessories, and various miscellaneous other allowances appropriations. But the paradox such as referees' fees, and new dox does not lie in these facts, but rather in the fact that while athletics are placed on a pedestal to be worshipped and admired, intellectual competition is virtually ignored.

Granted, such sports (if I may use the term) as bridge or chess may not have quite the spectacular appeal of football or basketball. Granted, that sports such as baseball, football, basketball, and track improve coordination, timing, and endurance; and granted, that these sports help to teach important concepts as sportsmanship, strategy, forethought, and analysis, but none of those is a substantial reason for the total "cold shoulder" which has been given to intellectual competition. Who can doubt that chess, a timeless game of military strategy, does not teach forethought, analysis, concentration and timing? In a game where every move is crucial, where the

slightest oversight or careless move may result in defeat, chess requires all of these qualities if victory is to be achieved. It seems odd that at an institution whose self-proclaimed purpose is to help form well-rounded and intelligent individuals, a valuable tool for just that purpose is going to waste. Are athletics the only method

by which these goals may be reached? I think not. True, chess and bridge may be difficult to learn, but certainly not more difficult than memorizing some 40 odd football plays, or catcher's or coach's signals. I submit that by ignoring intellectual competition in the form of non-existent budgetary allowances, both the administration and the district are making a mistake.

## When The Lights Come On

What's left over when the lights come on?  
After the final skirmishes with steel tipped words  
Are over and done;  
And after the wounds are mended;  
Then what?  
Is life clearer or more meaningful—a crystal fishbowl  
Where right and wrong swim among the weeds?  
Or has the mud been stirred up?  
Have you discovered something new about yourself, from a Mirror that only lets you see a little at a time?  
Or is it cracked?—  
Others discovered something About you.  
But maybe you knew it all the time, anyway.  
It's sort of like playing golf—  
Some of us have handicaps.  
Now you have to learn to play with yours;  
Soon.  
It's almost time for the next hole.

Bruce Stewart

I maintain that only if budgetary allowances are made for intellectual sports will any really significant progress show. For both chess and bridge are unrecognized by the FAL as league sports and receive only the barest of attention at schools ere they art peeayl

where they are played. I propose that next year's budget include appropriations for decks of cards and chess sets, just as new footballs, basketballs, and baseballs are bought when needed. I further propose that both bridge and chess be incorporated into the athletic program, and that transportation allowances be given to the advisors. It seems to me that a deliberate elimination of both chess and bridge as recognized sports not only hinders the development of well-rounded individuals, but also cheats the administration out of a perfectly legitimate and effective means of accomplishing this task.

Respectively submitted by  
Bruce Stewart.

## Gloomy Days

I like gloomy days.  
There's just something about the way the winds curls around  
my feet and then lets go that's comforting.  
And dark days go with dark moods.  
Each raindrop says "hello" as it spatters my shoes, face, clothes.  
But I don't feel like talking.  
Have you ever noticed how much simpler life is when it's gloomy?  
There's no checkerboard of right and wrong to hop over, hoping  
to find the grat. No worries about when to laugh at a poke or witty remark.  
Melancholy days kind of tug. That wasn't funny, anyway.  
at you, with a doormat of fresh puddles that say "welcome—come in."  
But they don't mean it.  
Not really.  
They're just there for formal occasions—not like a walk in the rain, to see what life's all about.  
Unless, of course, you carry your sunshine with you.  
And some do.  
But nobody goes alone anymore—not on a dismal day, anyway.  
Except me.  
And I'm not really alone.  
The misty drizzle as it patters on a rain-slicked street, and the occasional shoosh of a solitary car as it passes by are my company.  
And we get along just fine.  
The rain, the gloom, and I.  
Bruce Stewart

Have you ever thought of contributing to a worthwhile cause?

Last year during Charity Week, there was a food drive for needy families of Pittsburg. From all of the Orinda school district only sixty-eight needy families were provided with food baskets!

Are we meeting our responsibilities toward those less fortunate than ourselves? To find out what you can do, come hear the speaker on MAD day.

Submitted by Karen Gustavson and Jennifer Heggie.

Ladies and gentlemen, the world wide organization, Consolidated Lint, hopes to give you, the American public the new product which will revolutionize your life. With proper application, it will replace the 8-hour cough syrup attacking the cough control center; it will get your clothes not clean, not white, not bright, but brilliant! — and in cold water! It not only makes no chocolate mess, but it won't melt in your hand or your mouth! It has been clinically tested and was proven to be a leader in reducing new cavities. It will build up the iron-poor blood; produce a mild diuretic action through the kidneys, and provide 100% of the minimum daily adult requirements now set by the United States government; and once in the morning does it! It writes first time, every time! It contains secret ingredient XC-47 1/2; It's a silly millimeter longer and it's 99% caffeine free! Yes, ladies and gentlemen, that universally acclaimed, non-addictive, Good Housekeeping approved domestic appliance, the brick!!

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This amazing device has many other uses, including such things as Christmas decorations (a perfect addition to the tree that has everything) gifts (promise her anything, but give her a brick!) and of course, as the original dandruff shampoo (you're head and shoulders above the crowd with a brick!) Besides these, there are the traditional uses, such as a fly swatter, or as a base for art objects — such as other bricks! Jokesters are fond of having several tons delivered at addresses other than their own. And novel ideas are pouring in all the time —

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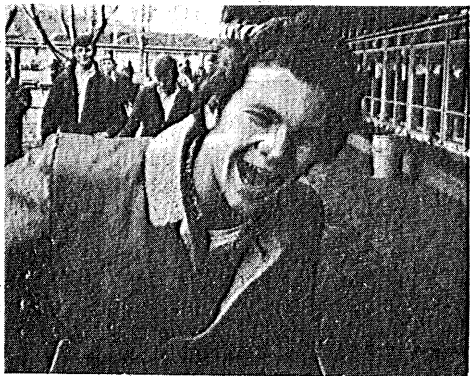
# Senior Personalities

## Janet and John Shoot the Breeze

"I can't stand it when people say 'take a break,'" exclaimed senior Janet Dougery, alias, J. D., when asked what saying she disliked most.

After high school, Janet is going to go on to higher institutions of learning. She would like to attend Cal Berkeley but she feels she'll go to two years of junior college before. This summer Janet plans to get a job and also a sports car.

Among Janet's likes are skiing, Mike, and decorating apartments. In her spare time she prefers meditating, eating, visiting Mike, and listening to music. She also likes to sketch and would like to learn how to blow glass because it fascinates her.



Regarding Miramonte, Janet believes that the school system "stinks." "Kids are old enough to not need babysitters. A looser system would eliminate problems and would get kids here that want to learn. Too much attention is paid to scholars and not enough to kids who really needs it. Some kids that don't get attention have the potential but need a lot of encouragement," Janet says. "Going to Miramonte has made me disgusted about people but has made me aware of things I don't like and things that I do like." Janet strongly feels, in regard to the dress code at Miramonte, that "people at Miramonte expect a fashion show everyday." The best thing that will happen to Janet is graduation, she says.

Late evenings people, Fillmore West, Iron Butterfly, Led Zepplan, and bell-bottom are a few favorites of this weeks Senior Personality, John Meteer. "I like everybody," except phonies and burners." There is also a certain Volkswagen which John can't handle.

When John graduates he's planning on going to UCLA, although the year is unknown. "I also think I'm going to see what's happening in Canada," said John.

To John, Miramonte is a place that expects too much. "They're too hung up on getting a good reputation for the school," related John. He also feels that extracurricular activities are too limited. "I think we should have jam sessions

on Friday nights. No one would have to pay; just sit back and groove." But there has been one nice change around Miramonte according to John. and that's girls wearing pants. "It gives school a little more variation; beiseds some girls should hide their legs."

One of John's frustrating experiences was when he lost his pants swimming in Moraga Creek. "Le Grand dropped them along the trail while we were running from the mud men. It was kind of hard hitchhiking home."

When John's not looking for traces of his beard, you'll find him digging crafts and badminton.

## How Does Spring Fever Affect You?

With the near arrival of spring, come various emotions of Miramonte students.

Steve Byrd — I want to spread my wings and fly.

Martha Cunningham — As the cheerleaders say, "I've got the fever, I'm hot, I can't be stopped."

Cathy Brennan — I feel like throwing my history notes out of the window — better still, I feel like throwing my history teacher out the window.

Pat Chambers — Sweet lov- in'.

Chris Rieser — I shave my legs

Collete Kersten — Makes me feels like barefootin' on kilz- zers and hickling on the peninsula.

Pam Hale — I feel like there are 1,000 pins sticking into me.

Diane Davenport — I start noticing that boys start thinking like girls have been think- all year.

Kurt Sootjer — A sincere longing for the end of school.

Blair Oden — My outfits get more inviting and I start talk- ing faster.

Mr. Sargis — It makes me want to put it into second gear.

Clare Hartwell — I run an awful temperature and I get spots before my eyes.

Amy Griffith — It makes me want to take off my shoes and wiggle my toes in the mud.

Kathi Pardini — I want to go on a picnic with Chris in a convertible corvette.

Debbis Saunders — I want to go on a hike with want's-his- name.

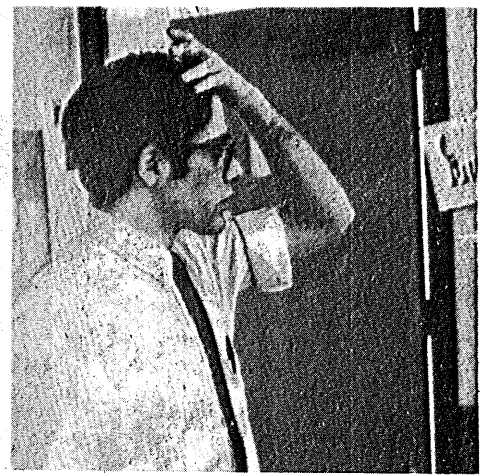
Tom Bishop — Trying to get out of classes.

Sue Treanor — It makes me itch.

Bill Mutch — It makes me want to forget everything im- portant and get out into the open.

Charlie Partridge — School feels secondary to the fun things in life like cutting.

Jody Sweet — It makes me want to forget the world.



## INTERESTING PEOPLE

Is four years a drag? Why not beat the system? For this issue, the Mirador has discovered someone who can beat the system. Ralph Abadir is now in his third and Senior year at good old MHS. After attending two years at Miramonte. Ralph made the decision to cut his stay a little short. One day one of his friends made a joke about leaving early, and Ralph, taking him seriously arranged the scheme with his couesllor.

"I'm looking forward to independence in college, plus I get a car," rejoices Ralph. As a Freshman once more, Ralph plans to major in science and chemistry at Berkeley.

"It will be hard to adjust to the new atmosphere," Ralph explained as he automatically jumped with the ringing of Miramonte's infamous bells; maybe I'll buy some stilts."

Another interesting person- age at Miramonte was blessed with a temporary diversion from her bell-jumping when a member of the Mirador staff interrupted her for an inter- view. Gail Robinson merited the "much soughtafter" inter- view because of her outstand- ing achievements in the area of skiing. Of the twelve years that Gail has made the ski slopes her home, five of them have been spent on the Sugar Bowl Ski team. She is now

classified as an "A", which, to the layman, means expert.

Although Sugar Bowl is the home of her ski team, Gail's favorite spot for the sport is Mammoth mountain. As a word of encouragement to fear- ful skiers, Gail mentioned that in twelve years she has never had a fatal accident. Gail pre- fers slalom skiing to the scary downhill event because of the extreme speed involved in the latter event.

The third interesting person to be interviewed is a com- bination of the fine points of the other two. Lori Loper is an outstanding skier who skis to escape the beloved corridors of MHS. As the holder of a free seasonal ski pass, Lori races at Heavenly, Mt. Rose, Boreal, Soda and Donner.

## MOVIE RATINGS, GOOD?

Worried about dirty movies? Hate sitting through violent blood splattered movies? Or do you feels mature enough to sit through almost anything?

To aid in your decisions about what movie is suitable for you —the Movie Code and Rating Administration has set up a new coding system — to be strictly enforced.

Every movie produced must be submitted for a rating or it will be given an automatic X. As you may have gathered, X is the least desirable of the ratings.

The ratings are as follows:  
X — absolutely no one under 16 admitted.

R — no one under 16 ad- mitted without an adult (par- ent or gaurdian).

M — mature audiences.

G — general audiences.  
The movies are rated on their treatment of violence, sex, crime — all controversial or delicate subjects. Examples of movies and their ratings are as follows:

The Subject Was Roses —G (general)

Bullit — M (mature)

Candy — R (restricted)

The Layout — X (Captain No-No says, "NO-NO!!")

## What's Happening

Fillmore will be rocking well into the night tomorrow! They are presenting San Francisco's own Grateful Dead with a sup- porting band called Pentangle. This is an English Group from London who have a distant baroque sound. The addition of a clear voice girl singer adds

## Around the Bay?


greatly to the band's total sound.

The Committee Revue will be presenting their regular show of improvisation Friday March 1, 9 and 11 p.m. Sat. night at 9:30, 10:30 and 11:30 p.m.

The Committee Workshop is finally emerging into their own. In June they started as a performing company and hope to tour soon. They also plan to work regularly at the Com- mittee Revue Building. Come see and be turned on to some great entertainment.



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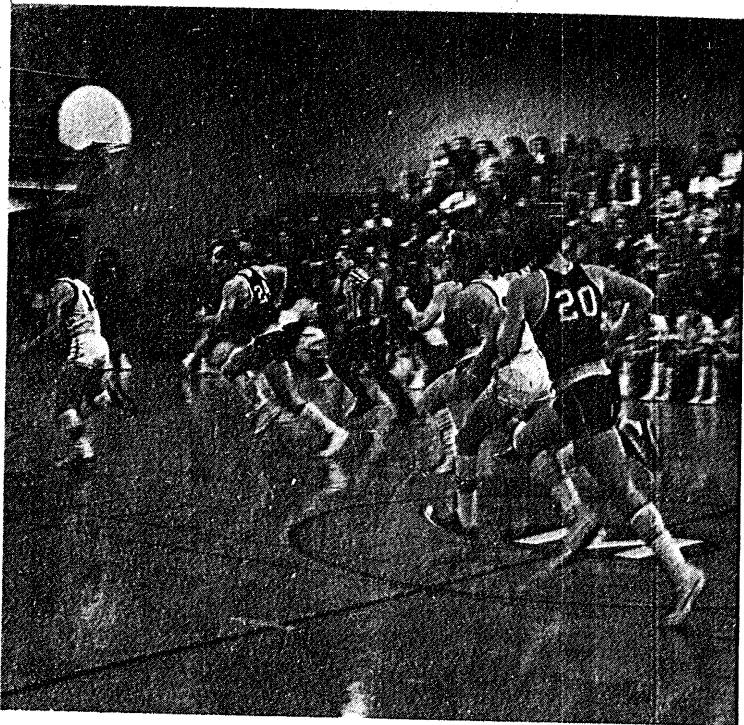
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# MATMEN TAKE N. COAST, MAT 5 BATTLE DOWN TO THE WIRE



## MATS STAGGER WITH 5 LOSSES

The Miramonte Varsity basketball team winds up league play in the following few days. Tonight the Las Lomas Knights host the Matadors with game time scheduled for 8 p.m. in Walnut Creek. Then on Monday the Mats play host to the Wolves from San Ramon. Both these teams have beaten Miramonte in the first round, so the Mats are eager to seek revenge, especially San Ramon, who won narrowly in overtime last time, because they are currently the league leaders.

The Mats suffered their fifth defeat in thirteen outings last week when they were knocked out of league contention by Monte Vista, 8-50. Miramonte, coming off a resounding 36-point win over Alhambra the previous week, could not muster enough to over-power the last place Mustangs.

Meanwhile, the underclassmen have shown promising basketball talent. Coach Bill Brown continues to lead his teams to varsity basketball record. Led by sophomores Jon Svenson and Steve Miller, the team looks as if it will again capture the JV crown.

Under the direction of Coach Bob Harris the Frosh are headed toward their league championship. The team is spearheaded by their tall center, Dave Meter.

## Girls Seek Revenge On Campolindo High

Last week's upset defeat by Campolindo dropped the girls' basketball team into second place in the West Contra Costa County division. Campolindo was able to gain a three point lead in the last few minutes of the game and then put on a stall.

Cold shooting by Miramonte players hampered them throughout the game. The Matadors were able to score only 21 points. The defense played outstanding ball holding Campolindo to 24 points.

Against De Anza High from El Cerrito the Matadors regained their form and put on their best offensive showing this year, scoring 51 points. Well balanced scoring was exhibited by the team with Debbie Saunders and Cathy Soderstrom scoring 15 points each. Dee Dee Bishop got 7 and Jayne Frederick scored 6 in her first game on the offensive half of the court.

The Matadors hope to get revenge on Campolindo in the Del Valle tournament. The two teams may meet in the final game of the tourney. This past season tournament will be played March 13, 14, and 15. Berkeley, earlier defeated by the Matadors, is their first opponent. Game time is 6:30 p.m. in the Del Valle gym. Barring defeat, the Friday game will be at 8 pm.

Led by the tremendous coaching and inspiration of Roger Durant, the Miramonte wrestling team ended the season by being the top-rated team in the entire North Coast. Coach Durant has molded his team from also-rans to solid champions by acquiring the fantastic record of five tournament victories and a solid fourth place finish in the highly competitive Cal Poly Invitational. The Mats were undefeated in league meets and had an overall dual meet record of 10-2.

In non-league action they whipped Mt. Diablo, Pacifica, and Clayton Valley, while Concord and Pleasant Hill were the only teams to out grapple them. Both of these defeats were later avenged, however, in tournaments won by the Matadors.

In the Overfelt Tournament Miramonte walked away with the first place trophy by plac-

ing eight people: Bob Sage (141 lbs.) and Chris Lucas (194 lbs.); Chuck Manuel (123 lbs.); Roger Lyford (148 lbs.), Curt Bottjer (168 lbs.), Jim Horning (178 lbs.), and Steve Snow (unlimited) placed third; and Casey Manfrin (130 lbs.) placed fourth.

The Mats then grappled their way to a first place finish at the League Meet by acquiring 115 pts. The eleven wrestlers who placed in the meet were: Bob Sage, first, Mike Wood (115 lbs.), Casey Manfrin, Roger Lyford, and Jim Horning took second; Chuck Manuel, Steve Manuel (136 lbs.), Bob Truax (157 lbs.), and Steve Snow placed third; Steve Patterson (98 lbs.) and Chris Lucas were fourth.

The Miramonte take-down artists then went to the North Coast Section Meet and again proved their superiority by taking first place honors. The Mats sent nine prapplers into the meet and were fortunate enough to place four of them. Leading the way were Bob Sage and Roger Lyford, who proved they were king of the mat by winning their respective weight divisions. Chuck Manuel took second, and Jim Horning placed third. All four of these boys had remarkable achievements considering the number of schools involved in the North Coast.



Bob Sage

Bob Sage, Miramonte's latest addition to the honor of Parker-Robb Super Sport, also represents an excellent overall team.

Leading Miramonte's fantastic Matmen in overall wins, Bob distinguished himself as the best 141 lb. wrestler in Northern California, while leading Miramonte to a win at the North Coast meet.

Originally an outstanding swimmer, Sage took up wrestling and developed himself in every area, and through sheer determination, has scaled his way to the top. Like many of his counterparts, he has acquired the skill through work and excellent coaching by Roger Durant.

## Sports Forum

### Pom Pons Promote Spirit

What part do you feel you play in athletics at Miramonte?

**Pat Neeland** — We encourage people to go to athletic events but, I feel that athletics has done more for us than we've done for athletics.

**Donna Stoy** — We try to add spirit and give the crowd a way to release their energy at the games.

**Mary Lee Eldred** — This year we have attended more events and started school interest in a variety of sports.

Where should school spirit start? With the pom pon girls and yell leaders, the teams, or the student body?

**Pat** — It has to be a joint effort. The team has to care and so do we. It is our job to make the students body care.

**Cathy Crandall** — Yes, it is up to us to set an example. We have to be interested and try to make other people become interested.

**Mary Lee** — Team spirit must be there to start with. Whether we win or lose, the team has to care.

**Donna** — The smaller teams are easier to unite. Big teams, like football, are hard to get together. Even individual sports, such as wrestling, require team spirit. The school spirit has to start with us. If we don't have it nobody else will either.

**Mary Lee** — We know we are successful if a crowd shows it cares. They show it by yelling and encouraging the team.

**Donna** — We have to care a lot for kids to care a little.

**Pat** — It does help to have a winning team, but winning isn't everything.

**Cathy** — Our job is even harder and requires more effort when the team is losing.

**Mary Lee** — Also, spirit differs with classes. Underclassmen always seem to have more.

## Sportsline

Following are the all important remaining games for the 1969 Varsity basketball team:

FEBRUARY 28 — Friday at Las Lomas ..... 8:00

MARCH 3 — Monday here — San Ramon ..... 8:00

Miramonte Varsity baseball team's opening games:

MARCH 11 — Tuesday De La Salle ..... here

MARCH 14 — Friday Mt. Diablo ..... here

MARCH 18 — Tuesday Las Lomas ..... here

MARCH 20 — Thursday Alhambra ..... away

MARCH 25 — Tuesday Del Valle ..... here

MARCH 27 — Thursday Piedmont ..... away

JV games are on the same date but at opposite fields.

All games — 3:45

Miramonte Varsity Track season begins with:

MARCH 11 — Tuesday Pleasant Hill ..... here

MARCH 19 — Wednesday Campolindo ..... here

MARCH 26 — Wednesday Monte Vista ..... here

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