

Controversial Committee performs in an unique and original way—gains standing ovation from Student Body and raised eyebrows from the administration.

# Improvisions By Committee Workshop Bring Up Controversial Subjects

"Dope. sex, and cheap thrills. that's not what we're going to do." This was the opening statement made by the commentator for the performing company of The Committee Workshop at last Friday's all school assembly. The performance consisted of fifty minutes of free improvisation on the subject "Why do I have to fight the war?," which was suggested by a member of the audience.

Improvisations discard such traditional aids as props, makeup, scenery, costumes, and scripts. What remains is an extremely fast theatrical form which is a new creation with each performance. Because of the style of this new dramatization, the actors characterize and

present the controversies of today rather than the traditional story book type play. One fault with this style is that if the audience doesn't see today's problems in the same light as the actors, the observer's emotional reaction to the impact of the play is criticism not necessarity of the performer's aability, but more likely of the actor's values.

In the Spring of 1967 the Committee Workshop originated, as an experimental wing of The Committee, a San Francisco satirical review company. The group performs each Monday night at 9 p.m. at The Committee, 622 Broadway, San Francisco.

# College Day Viewed In Retrospect

Miramonte recently hosted alumni from previous graduating classes in the second annual "College Day." They were asked to discuss their own college or university with interested students. All schools in California, most attended by graduates were all represented. Mid-western as well as several public and private eastern colleges were also represented by past-graduates.

The morning was very informal for both the alums and the

present students. Each collegebound student discussed their college with the representatives. The true atmosphere of each college was revealed by these alumni. Such topics as amount of work load, school spirit, fraternities, competition for grades, sports, and, most of all, ratio of boys to girls were discussed.

The program proved beneficial and enjoyable to all (alumni enjoyed seeing past friends whom they had not seen since their Senior All-Night). It will surely be continued next year.

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Room, J-2

# Building and Grounds Spruces Up M.H.S.

A potent and active force is at work today improving these cloistered hall s, namely the Buildings and Grounds Commit-

By presidential appointment, Greg Hastings received the res ponsibility of maintaining and improving the grounds at Miramonte--from the students' point of view. He and his committee work closely with Representative Council, Executive Council, the administration, as well as the district. The students currently on the committee are Jackie Hoover, John Boulware, Peggy Ragan, Doug Wilson, Joanne Recknagel, Bob Williams, Greg Fledderman, and Matt Conover. Advisors include Mr. Robert Campbell, Assistant Principal; and Mr. John Stevens, the District Supervisor of Building and Grounds.

Last semester the committee tackled many of the problems which have been called to their attention. Their major project was the paving of the back road, which will be completed this summer. After the district paves the road, it will be open every-day before and after school, which should improve the Miramonte traffic problem.

With rain comes more problems for the Building and Grounds Committee to consider. Have you ever noticed the perpetual drips from all the roofs or the puddles on all of the lawns and walkways? The committee has had some drains installed in the most troublesome spots to help curb the endless drips. Unfortunately, nothing can be done about the puddles, as they are the result of the poor planning of the school.

In the near future the Building and Grounds Committee plans to purchase a flagpole for the football field and will also consider the installing of vending machines, landscaping, and various other problems. All suggestions are welcomed and Greg and his committee assure action.

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### Dress Code Reviewed By Advisory Board

"Should girls be allowed to wear pants to school?" is the question the advisory board, executive council, and the administration have discussed lately. Before a decision about the dress code was reached, an investigation into the problem of appropriate apparel was made.

The state requires students to wear clean and neat outfits that do not detract from the learning process. One question discussed was the definition of clean and neat. The advisory board, executive council, and the administration agreed on a philosophy statement that is general and flexible, but specific enough to say who makes the decisions as to what is or is not appropriate.

The new code says, "with regard to the effect of dress on a student's classroom performance, we feel that the individual teacher is most qualified to make this judgement. If a teacher considers a student's dress detrimental to the academic performance of anyone in the classroom, the student should be referred to the assistant principal."

Those involved with making the decision felt, "that allowing girls to wear long pants will not result in increasingly sloppy dress manners on the part of girls." The statement of dress code that will appear in the Miramonte handbook is, "Students at Miramonte shall wear apparel that's clean and in good taste and shall not distract from the classroom situation. Any student who dresses out of these limits shall be given proper disciplinary action."

The code goes into effect on January 28. See "The Prez Sez" page 2 for further explanation.

# Ski Club Heads To The Snow - at Sugar Bowl

After five long years Miramonte has finally formed a Ski Club and is ready to announce its first trip. The main purpose of it is to check any problems under the new system. This experimental trip is for one day at Sugar Bowl on Saturday, January 25. The price is \$11.50 which includes everything except lunch and dinner For more information, contact any of the officers of the Ski Club. President is Doug Wilson; Secretary, Dana Seifert; Treasurer, Dawna Jonte; and Group Coordinator, Jean Simpson.

The new club has a school sponsor, Mr. Otis McCain, besides the Parents Club. The officers hope to be able to show free ski movies

as soon as they can raise money by sales.

### Principal Lewis Studies Systems; Visits Europe

The majority of students at Miramonte are aware that Mr. James A. Lewis, principal since the school began in 1955, has gone on sabbatical leave. However, very few students know the reasons behind the leave. Mr. Lewis has been granted sabbatical leave from January 1 three months Mr. Lewis, accompanied by his wife, plans to visit high schools in Oregon, California, Nevada and Arizona. There he will be observing various modifications of schedules, including flexible scheduling. It must be noted that there exist many types of schedules equally as effective as the flexible scheduling system.

From April through June, the Lewises will travel abroad, spending the month of April in Portugal and Spain, May in central Europe and June in Russia. They should be in Moscow at the time of the 1969 graduation ceremonies.

In his nine years at Mira-

monte, Mr. Lewis has never been ill. Ironically, as soon as his leave of absence began, he became ill with the Hong Kong flu and had to spend Christmas in bed.

During Mr. Lewis' leave, Mr. Robert Callan will serve both as dean of boys and as acting principal.

Ski trips are planned for weekends throughout skiing season. The first three day ski trip is over Washington's birthday to Slide Mountain. A deposit must be made by January 13. It is a first come first serve basis and even non-members of the club are welcome.

In order to join, 25c dues must be paid. Approximately 150 members are now joined and many more are welcome. Doug Wilson claims, "Our purpose is to let members enjoy a sociable atmosphere inexpensively—besides great fun!"

# MUSE STAFF CALLS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

The MUSE is now accepting contributions for its yearly issue. This year's MUSE will contain photography and creative writing by Miramonte students. Designs for the cover of the magazine can be submitted, and there will be a competition for the best one. Anyone can contribute and contributions are desparately needed. There are no restrictions as to form or style. The most important qualification is that the writings or photographs communicate. Even if you've never tried to write before, go ahead and turn something in! Turn in your contributions to the big pink MUSE box in room J-2.

# NEWS IN BRIEF

FINAL SCHEDULE

Monday January 20: regular first and second periods followed by the seventh period final from 10 to 12 a.m.

Tuesday, January 21: third and fourth period finals — school dismissed at 12:25.

Wednesday, January 22: first and second period finals — school dismissed at 12:25.

Thursday, January 23: fifth and sixth period finals — school dismissed at 12:25.

Tonight's basketball clash Mats against the Campolindo Cougars at 8 p.m. in our gym. Miramonte will be the site of the meeting of the East Bay Council of Social Studies from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on January 18.

Shaw's "Devil's Disciple" will be presented at the ACT theatre on January 23. Buses for the field trip will leave at 12:30 p.m. and return about 5:00 p.m. Admission is \$2.00.

The first semester ends Januray 24. Report cards should be issued the first week of February. Happy Holiday!

### Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

In response to Susan Jelley's letter to the editor regarding the Advisory Board's handling of the student body card problem:

As a member of the Advisory Board I feel that our position is still not clear to many people. We can perhaps be best described as the "judicial branch" of student government. One of main functions of the Chief Justice and the board is to provide a means whereby students with legitimate complaints will be heard. Advisory Board will

research the problem and then submit a proposal or recommendations to the proper school authorities or representative council.

In the case of the Student Body Cards, Advisory Board was asked to research the various problems and complaints. We have submitted a report recommending a number of changes based upon our findings. It is up to the other branches of student government to take it up from here.

Beth Harris Advisory Board

# **EDITORIAL**

# THE SMOKERS ARE THE LOSERS

THE LOSERS

You've heard the statistics. Television networks run them without charge, as public service announcements. They all say the same thing: Don't smoke. Why smoke? Quit now. Never start. It's a filthy habit. It's expensive.

Besides, you could get cancer.

Your own personal cancer could start when the bell rings this, afternoon. You could leave the school grounds, pull out a cigarette and light it. One good thing leads to another. You could (an undoubtedly would, if you once start) light a second cigarette, and a third, and so on.

A habit would be born. A habit that leads, inevtably for many, to death.

Why start? You've already started? Why not quit? Who needs it?

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### FROM THE EDITOR

#### By Jonathan Baylis

Once upon a time, someone asked John Lennon who his favorite American recording artist was. His reply was "Harry Nilsson.' Nilsson's latest album "Aireal Ballet" is a real trip. It combines sets of simple, happy songs with the heavy, "verymuch-with-it message that pleases the ears of those who have a tendency to think.

Awhile ago, Mason Williams recorded the single "Classical Gas" and which was well received, not only by the freaks but also by those who dig the rich sound of classical guitar. Williams not only records his music, but writes for other folk artists, one of whom is Glen Campbell. Mason Williams wrote much of the music heard on last summer's "Summer Brothers Smothers Show." Still working for the progressive Smothers Brothers, Williams' music is sure to be heard on future shows.

In 1964 the Moog company was founded for the production of electronical musical instruments. Their first instrument to be produced was called the Theramin. It is played by the free movement of the musician's hands in the space surrounding them. A group called "Silver Apples" made use of the instrument. Today there is much talk in the musical world about another instrument called the Moog Synthesizer. This electronic device converts music programmed by some computer into actual sounds produced by some kind of an electronic organ. The types of sounds the machine is capable of producing are limitless. Many recordings are out that just show how wacky the synthesizer can be. Mason Williams has done some real creating work on the synthesizer on one of his two new albums. Another album of music from the synthesizer is called "Switched on Bach." The album is uncanny. I can hardly describe it. The compositions are actual Bach programmed into the synthesizer. To hear the sound is overwhelming.

# "THE PREZ SEZ"

By Greg Mills

Administrive approval of the Executive Council's proposal to allow girls to wear long pants has been enthusiastically received, but many students have expressed discontent over the temporary postponement of the four-week trial period. I would like to explain Mr. Callan's decision to wait until January 27th, a decision on which I agreed with him.

In order, for the trial period to be an accurate indication of reaction, there must be no doubt within the community on the conditions of the experimental phase. Parents, as the proposal stated, "should be permitted to judge the appropriateness of their child's dress." Many parents make such a judgement largely on the basis of the

school's dress policy. The need for the community to know the evact nature of the new policy should be clear.

This brought on Mr. Callan's decision to wait until a Parents Club newsletter could be distributed. informing parents of the change. The fact that the Parents Club Board does not meet until January 20 and can not prepare the newsletter until after that date is the reason for the postponement.

While I certainly regret the delay, I can understand Mr. Callan's desires and hope that you will appreciate his position. We would not let this slight difficulty detract from what was a successful effort on the part of student government.

# Student Leader Chief Bill Beckett - Scholarly Ski Bum

This issue's student leader William Casey Beckett, finds being Miramonte's Chief Justice a challenging, time-consuming position. He feels, however, that the majority of the student body is unaware of what a valuable device the board is. He's tired of being asked if he runs a court—so to set the record straight, here are a few of Bill's thoughts on the subject.

"No longer is the Advisory Board a discipline board, that went out three years ago. Students don't realize it, but they could become very involved in deciding their curriculum through the Advisory Board. In the future this will probably happen."

Mr. Beckett's time is filled with a variety of interests—from skiing, mountain-climbing. and riding. to being football festival chairman. Bill spends his summers working at a Wyoming survival camp. There he rides,

camps, teaches others to ride and camp—then he also teaches "survival" (?!?) Apparently he enjoys the out-of-doors.

For Christmas, W.C. claimed all he wanted were two rear tires (?!?)—he didn't get 'em, (apparently Santa's had his eye's open.) He wanted them for his car . . . (no kidding)— a '53 Dodge, which is a ridiculous looking brown clunk that only runs 50% of the time—and 0% if it's facing uphill. Actually it does have a strinkingly beautiful (?) silver ram's head on the hood—so it's not a total loss. Regardless Bill has a strange attachment to it—(strange, very strange . . .)

As for any ambitions, Bill states he's looking forward to being either a scholar or a ski bum—or maybe both?

### STUDENT FORUM

The following students were asked which kind of rallies they prefer. Rah-rah type rallies or production rallies were the two choices.

Sherry Iventosch: I feel that production type rallies are generally a failure because the entertainment is seldom entertaining.

Steve Hale: I like production rallies because they are more entertaining to the students and the athletes. I like the fashion shows because then everybody can see what I wear to bed.

Pete Schnugg: I believe rallies should be used as a method for instilling spirit because Miramonte's spirit is really bad. The Rally Committee should take this as a challenge and use newer gimmicks to get good spirit.

Tim Howard: I feel a combination of the two would be the best. I also feel that the Rally Commissioner should look at the reports from two years ago for ideas.

The rallies then seemed to combine spirit aand entertainment. The art production this year has been fantastic.

Diane Wignall: I prefer production type rallies. There is enough rah-rah at the games. Too much is tiring.

# STAFF BOX

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### Resolutions Made By MHS Students

What are your New Year's Resolutions?

Ellen Finn: To stop getting caught in places where I'm not supposed to be.

Phyllis Rosenthal: My New Year's Resolution is to make a certain person happy.

Colleen Hargan: To quit putting my foot in my mouth and give my knee a break!

Martha Cunningham: To have a lively senior year.

Mike Hogan: To stay out of Mr. Callan's office.

Tom Winfree: Not to make New Year's resolutions.

Jim Mes: To never put cheese in my chili again.

Ann Heffernan: Not to in-

Chris Lucas: To give up girls and money so this year will be exactly like last year.

Andy Wist: To let the bird of paradise fly up my trumpet.

Tom Appelbaum: To fly up Andy's trumpet.

Margaret Carter: Quit when I'm ahead.

Jannelle Guista: To think twice before I put someone below me

Susie Bigelow: To not be so selfish in my prayers and to be more grateful for what I have.

Tally Smith: Not to go on a diet.

Bill Mutch: To eat, drink, and be merry, and to give Jayne the driving lessons she so sorely needs.

Jayne Burkman: To marry Bussy.

Lynn Robinson: Not to run away from policemen.

Jody Sweet: To get as much as heaven as I can.

Pin Bahme: To keep sharpening myself to a fine honed point.

by Debbie Hecathon

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Lark Patterson: To show Blackwood the good guys from the bad; and to lower my tar and nicotine level.

Janel Smith: To expose, experience and live.

Kyner: Gee, I can't find my feet!

Sandy: Turn around, you're nauseating me.

Bonnie: Cutting is good for the soul.

Jon: I thought you would turn around and start chasing me.

Rosso: Where is the head?

Lark: Do you know what they

think about my knees?

Kyner: They will get flattened out.

Sargis: If he buys a bomb, I'll go out and buy a bigger one.
Sanford: You aren't late, the school is early.

Sargis: My dad was a dictator.

Margret: I don't care if girls wear pants.

Bill: It's what's underneath that counts.

#### La Cuadrilla, Students Bring Joy and Peace To Cheyenne Children

During Christmas vacation some of Miramonte's students spent their two weeks in Hawaii, Sun Valley, and Switzerland.

Freshman Chris Paulson discovered the art of surfing and girl watching on his ten day stay in Wakiki and Maui.

Skiers Mike Wood, Chris Rieser, Bill Snook, and Jean Simpson found Sun Valley relaxing for their Christmas holidays. On the two hour bus ride into Sun Valley many celebrities were aboard and Mike Wood didn't mind sitting next to Claudine Longet who was accompanied by Andy Williams, James Stewart, and Henry Mancini.

Ralph Newman visited Switzerland and skiied at Verbier ski resort for three weeks. Although he broke two pairs of skis, he found the skiing excellent and decided that Swiss girls aren't as cute as American girls.

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Tally: It wasn't us, it was the yell leaders . . .

Melanie: Give me my top back.

Mary: I feel naked.

Kyner: Steve, Lark. you're not alone.

Margret: Does anyone want to trade a regular book for a book?

Melanie: Do you want to buy a Junior from the Juniors for 50c?

Pat: Who stuffed them?

Steves Have you ever gotten a chipmunk drunk?

Janel: I saw a piece of paper and thought it was a turtle. Tally: He has duck blood on

his knee.
Forey: Why don't you go up

and pin a tail on it?
Rusty: When my dad was little he tried to hang my uncle.
Jim: Beware of falling dand-

Madi: Tomatoes could be a contraversial subject!

Kyner: It's very mushy!

# Christmas Trips Around The World

Dear Editor:

On behalf of La Quadrilla, I would like to thank all the students who grooved for peace at the Dance of the Calumet last Nov. 22. I have just received a letter from Reverend Emmet Hoffman of the St. Labre Mission School in Ashland, Montana.

"Becaues of you Santa found his way to the Northern Cheyenne Reservation. You can well imagine the joy and happiness which was brought into the drab lives of our poor children and their families. It was truly the most joyous holiday season ever for the Cheyenne people. If only for a little while, they will enjoy the many blessings of Christmas and open their hearts with hope for the coming year."

The fire that occurred several months ago was at a time when the children of the school should have been in bed; however, they had successfully persuaded Father Hoffman to let them stay up half an hour later which saved their lives. This incident agrees with the sentiment expressed by Rev. Hoffman—that God is truly on their side.

Thank you again Sincerely yours, Patricia Pederson La Cuadrilla Pres.



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#### Senior Personalities

# Donna Dislikes Pants On Girls Paul Spends Night In Tijuana Tank

"You can win a few and you lose a few," said senior Paul Goetz when asked what his favorite saying was.

Paul, varsity quarterback, has his hopes up for the University of Colorado and would like to become a lawyer if ever possible.

Nicknamed Casanova, Paul likes blondes that don't bleach their hair, skiing making it over to Sullivan's after a date,



short dresses, and avocadoes.
"The things I can't stand are girls that don't wear make-up and unactive people."

Paul feels that Miramonte's one hang-up is the regularity of doing the same thing day after day.

When Paul graduates he'd like to split to the Bahamas with Mike Sullivan for the summer, but that is just one of his many wishes. He'd also like to be Marlon Brando in "Candy."

Pauls most enjoyable day was, "When we beat Piedmont 62-0 my freshman year. They walked off the field before the game was over."

"My most exasperating time was when we hit a herd of cows in Mexico and I spent three days in the Tijuana Tank."

Paul was disappointed this Christmas when he didn't find Elke Sommers in his Christmas stocking, but, as he says, you win a few and you lose a few.

One of Paul's typical habits is drumming on the steering wheel to songs as he drives.

Paul's advice to all incoming Freshmen is, "Forge your notes from the beginning."



TALLY IN
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"I believe that respect for elders and the law is very important, especially today. I think that the situation in this country could be brought back to the "I can safely walk down the street' stage if the young people has some common sense and looked for the good in their country, not just the bad. It all starts with respect—for one's parents and for the law."

This straightforward statement was made by Donna Stoy when asked what was her philosophy of life. Donna, Miramonte's head pom pon girl finds being Senior Personality a most awkward position to be put in. Upon being asked about Pom Pon, however, Donna burst into a long, wordy enthusiastic paragraph-which when summed up, Donna exclaimed that pom pon "is the greatest thing that ever happened to me-even if it is the only thing (not really)." John and Ace; dill pickles and

vanilla ice cream (together!);
Tally's mom; Mr. Spock; food
and her new t-shirts (?) are
just a few of Donna's favorites.
Among her unfavorite things
are pants for girls; dentists;
fake, put-on teachers; and her



curiosity. Also she owns a trophy and a pair of jade earrings which she treasures.

Donna hopes to attend either Chico State or Santa Barbara—and eventually to be a P.E. teacher.

Among her worst faults—she says she loves to eat. She even drives around by herself eating. Well, we all have our weakness-

For a last statement Donna said, "Mr. Sunshine is the Blue Meanies."

(?!??!??.)



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# SPORTS

#### MATMEN PICK FOR FAL CROWN

Miramonte's Varsity Wrestling team is favored to win the Foothill Athletic League after placing first among 16 high schools in the Hollister Invitational Tournament. This annual tournament was held during the holidays on December 21 at Gavilan College in Southern California. Miramonte and Acalanes were the only FAL schools that

### Girl Hoopsters Defeat Berkeley

The Miramonte girl's basketball team began their league play this year by defeating Berkeley High 37-25. The victory was only the first in a series the team wants this year.

Miramonte girl hoopsters took a commanding nine to three lead in the first quarter and gradually built it up. Berkeley rallied in the third quarter and crept to within four points of the Matadors, but clutch baskets by Dee-Dee Bishop, Debbie Saunders and freshman Pam Hale pulled the girls out ahead again. The game's high scorer was Cathy Sodestrom with 17 points. Debbie Saunders added six points and Carol Sodestrom five, all in the first quarter.

During the activity of the game a flustered Berkeley player sank a fifteen foot jump shot in the Miramonte basket. Miramonte scorebook shows opposing 52-2.

The B team put on a good effort, but was unable to overcome a 1 point deficit in the fourth quarter. They did manage to pull within one point however.

The crucial game which may decide the championship is with Campolindo. That game will be played on the Miramonte court February 7.

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21 ORINDA WAY Orinda Village 254-4447 participated. This is the first tournament won by Miramonte

in eight years.

The Mats captured seven positions. Bog Sage (138), Jim Horning (175), and Chris Lucas (191) took first places while Steve Patterson (95), Casey Manfrin (133), and Roger Lyford (154) won second place honors. Chuck Manuel (127) was the only one able to take a third place. The surprising aspect was that everyone except Chuck wrestled one weight class above their normal position.

On January 11 the matmen competed in the Del Valle Tournament at Del Valle. Miramonte, Campolindo, Piedmont, Alhambra, San Ramon, Del Valle, Monte Vista, Las Lomas, Acalanes, and thirteen other high schools were involved in the competition.

The Matadors have compiled a 3-2 win-loss in non-league wrestling meets. Miramonte fell at the hands of Pleasant Hill and Concord by extremely close scores of 25-24 and 23-21 respectively. Besides the results showing the closeness, each meet was decided by the final weight class.

The Matmen host Campolindo this afternoon at 3:45. Come out and support your championship wrestling team.

# IS IT HARD TO BOUNCE BACK AFTER DEFEAT?

Have you ever noticed how a team seemingly abundant in talent can be on an early season winning streak, lose an important game, and never seem to get on the winning track again? To investigate this problem, the athletic wonders at Miramonte were asked—Is it hard to bounce back and win a game after a defeat or a string of defeats?

Steve Byrd — With the hard work done during vacation, we ought to win.

Bob Truax — Looking at our football record, I'd say it is.

Bill Mutch — If you don't lose you don't have to worry about bouncing back.

Rooster Hale—You win some you lose some.

Mark Holcomb — A great coach like Mr. Blackwood really inspires you.

Pete Schnugg — Normally, it is hard to bounce back after an upset loss, but our basketball team is commensurate to the challenge. Actually, a loss provides added stimulation to overcome our remaining opponants.

Grease Paladino — No, because after a tough loss you are looking forward to a decisive victory in the next game.

Steve Kahl — No, because there is always a team like Piedmont to take your anxieties out on.

Curt Hamm—In football, it was hard to after a loss to a team that wasn't as good, but a loss to Campolindo was even tougher.



These five basketball players will start tonight in the crucial game with Campolindo. They are Bob Billings, Pete Schnugg, Dave Wallace, Steve Hale, and Bob Bahme.

#### BASKETBALL

The Miramonte Varsity basketball team hopes to continue a three-game winning streak tonight when they meet the Cougars of Campolindo in our gym at 8:00. In the Mats first game they demolished Acalanes, but then were beaten by Del Valle by one point in the last twenty seconds. The Matadors seem to have picked up momentum since then and have won convincingly over Piedmont, Alhambra and Monte Vista. Last Tuesday the Mats beat Monte Vista by twenty-five points. Dave Wallace. playing his best game of the season, top scorer with 21 markers. The teamwork of Pete Schnugg and Bob Billings have greatly helped in the Mat's efforts. Bob Bahme and Steve Hale both have the ability to score in double figures and control the boards. Miramonte is currently in first place by a half-game over visiting Campolindo tonight. Surprising Acalanes and San Ramon are tied for second.

## J. V.'s UNDEFEATED

This year's J.V. basketball team definitely has to be considered championship material League renowned coach Bill Brown has plenty of natural talent, but he has also instilled the one thing necessary for a winning squad — teamwork.

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The team is composed of players from last year's championship J.V. and Frosh teams. The starting five consists of Sophomore Steve Miller and Jr. Ed Riddell at guard, Sophomores Jon Svendson and Tom Bishop at forward, and Junior Duncan Howard at Center.

The team is very deep in talent with Sophomores Stan Johnson, Dave Machek, Charlie Hanson, and Brian Pearson ready to come in at any time.

So far this year's squad has done all but obliterate its opponents. In league play the young Mats have handily beaten Acalanes, Del Valle, and Piedmont. With the bright future of this team it appears that the J.V. championship will once again return to Miramonte.

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# Soccer Needs Student Interest

The Miramonte Soccer Club has been selected Club of the Month by Inter-Club president, Pat Pederson, President Kevin Smith and Vice-President Rick Lewis commented that the purpose of the club was to promote enough student interest for FAL recognition. The major plan of the club is to continue soccer in future years and this can only be achieved if there is enough support shown by the Student Body.

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The soccer team, officially named McGhee's Marauders, has a very good chance of winning the title, although the games are always close. The team bounced back after losing to Monte Vista 2-1 in the mud and beat San Ramon 2-0. A highlight in the Monte Vista game was Tom Appelbaum's shot for the Mat's only goal. Forward Jeff Hink and Rick Lewis combined goals in the San Ramon win. The Maurauders beat Campolindo 2-0 and are now only two points behind first-place Canyon.

The next home game is January 30 against Piedmont at 3:30 and it is urged that everyone be there.

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