

Vicky From Peru Visiting Orinda

Miramonte is happy to host Vicki Noya, this year's foreign exchange student from Peru. Petite, dark-haired Vicki is the guest of Debbie Dunning, a senior here. When asked how she liked Miramonte and the American way of life, she said that she found the people at Miramonte to be very friendly and the family life to be fun too, but a little different. At 16, she has already finished her high school education back in Peru and when she returns she plans to attend a university where she will study psychology



VICKEY NOYA

and later work with children.

When asked what she did after school she replied, "I help my mother and father in the kitchen and then I play my guitar." The big meal of the day for Vicki at home is lunch, and she finds it hard to adjust to our meal times. She assures us, though, that she is very impressed with Orinda and its beauty, and enjoys the character of the people even though she finds them different.

Miramonte Scores On National Merits

Principal James Lewis announced recently that 15 seniors at Miramonte High School have been named Semifinalists in the 1965-1966 Merit Scholarship competition.

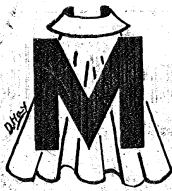
The students cited for their high achievement are Judy Bjornald, Vic Buffalow, Dave Hammond, Leslie Johnson, Lawrence Lawver, and Lloyd Maxfield. Also Bill McCamy, Joe Newman, James Smith, Carol Wagner, Darrel Walker, Bruce Wallace, David Watkins, Scott Williams, and Steve Winkel.

They are among the highest-scoring students in the state of California on the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, administered last March in over 17,600 schools nationwide. More than 14,000 Semifinalists were appointed across the country.

To become Finalists, the students must substantiate their qualifying test performance on a second examination, submit recommendations by their schools, and fulfill routine requirements. All Merit Scholars for 1966 will then be selected from the Finalist group.

"Much of our future leadership will come from these young people," said John M. Stalnaker, president of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. "Semifinalists are representative of our country's most intellectually able young people."

"In honoring them, we should remember that others have contributed significantly to their success by encouraging the characteristics which produce high achievement, including energy and hard work. The Semifinalists bring honor not only to themselves, but also to their families, their teachers, and their communities."



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Lights Flood Miramonte Due To Fine Leadership

The football lights are up, and our first game under them was played last Friday against Pleasant Hill.

The drive for football lights began in the spring of 1964, when the Student Body President, Bill Cooper, first introduced the idea. He organized two work weekends to get the fund started.

The next year, Nelson Anderson conducted the bond sale which enabled us to have the lights for graduation. In the spring of '65, the first group of bonds was paid from the proceeds of a work weekend.

This year, the project is in the hands of our president, Dirk Vandersloot. Because of the very successful 49er football scrimmage this summer, earned \$4,000 towards payment for the lights. Dirk is not worried about paying

for the lights. A scrimmage is planned for each summer, and the money from these will carry the bulk of the burden. Dirk feels that there are other things for which our money can be used.

There are no work weekends planned for this year. However, Dave Hammond, our vice president, is considering the possibility of night assemblies to raise money. This has never been done before at Miramonte, but it has been successful at other schools.

Of course, it is hoped that the football season itself, the money from ticket sales, will help to pay for the lights.

With five home football games this year, we will have plenty of chances to enjoy our new lights. The second game is tonight. Let's have a good turnout to show that we're glad that we worked for them.

FORUM IS ITEM ON "YOUTH PAGE"

The appearance of six Miramonte students on the *Contra Costa Times* "Accent on Youth" page on October 4 will mark the dazzling debut of a new feature, The Forum.

The Forum will highlight the opinions of five or six students on a given topic. Mrs. Mary Soderstrom, editor of the "Accent on Youth" page, will supply the subject. The interviews will take place at after school meetings arranged by Mrs. Soderstrom and Michele Dahms, Miramonte correspondent.

The students who are selected

for the interviews will represent a cross section of Miramonte. What they say will convey Miramonte's image to other schools in the district. The students who will be interviewed for the first installment of the Forum are Sue Loper, Liz Kelley, Paul Yriberti, Doug Renwick, Paul Majka, and Mary Ann Ruedrich.

Other features on the "Accent on Youth" page will be open letters written by Americans abroad, interesting features on various happenings, and the schools, and a weekly column written by school correspondents.

Miramonte Students Participate In Girl's, Boy's State At Davis

"Girl's State is probably the most wonderful experience I have had so far in my life. I wouldn't trade it for anything I can think of at the present," said Pam Zerkle, this summer's Girl's State representative.

Pam learned about state government by actually organizing and participating in a state. Plans began at the city level with city officials and city ordinances. Then the girls grouped into counties, which were brought together to form a state. Some of the highlights of Girl's State were the Tory and Whig Party conventions, candidate speeches, and the election day rallies.

Pam was appointed Post Master and County Clerk. She was also elected to the platform committee. Pam feels her experience in learning as well as being with the other representatives gave her a perspective students rarely have the opportunity of obtaining.

"The purpose of Boys' State was to gain a better understanding of the functions of city, county, and state governments." These were the words of Miramonte's representative to the American Legion sponsored Boys' State in Sacramento, Jamie Armstrong.

"Early last summer, after being selected for the program by the faculty, he went to the state capital for one week. Aside from gaining many friends and having a good time, Jamie said he learn-

ed a great deal. The boys set up their own government systems and voted on laws for them. They attended lectures and a short speech by Governor Pat Brown. The Boys' State members met in the senate, assembly, and judiciary chambers of the capitol building and discussed problems facing California today.

Jamie attributes the success of the program to the interest and participation of the boys involved.

Frosh Elect Officers; Greg Mills, Pres.

Elections were held Thursday, September 23, in world history classes for the elections of frosh officers.

The office of President went to Gregg Mills; Vice-President, Ron Rawson; Treasurer, Dan Dupuis; and Secretary, Dianne Jonke.

The Freshman class plans to be a big part of Miramonte, not just a class of small people. Money raising projects will include concession stands at football and basketball games. They will also have a float for our 2nd annual Football Festival and will participate in the Frosh-Soph assembly.

With good leadership our Freshman class will be capable of accomplishing many new activities.

Cheerleading Camp Teaches New Yells

"We will tramp Campolindo tonight!!!" screams Jan Briedenbach, Miramonte's '65-'66 head yell leader. Jan reports that the yell leaders are always working on new yells. "Now there will be more spirit than ever with the lights."

Last summer the cheerleaders went to Squaw Valley to Cheerleading Camp for four days. Here they received two ribbons for third and fourth place in competitive yells. At Squaw Valley the girls rented a cabin. They worked on new yells for 18 long hours a day. Good work!! Just to be friendly at Squaw, they made a daisy out of paper plates and placed it on the porch of their cabin.

"The boy-hunting wasn't too good," Jan says. There were only 48 boys to 1,000 girls. The students were from all over the west.

As far as new ideas go, Jan is all for them. She wants to try to have balloon stunts instead of card stunts. "Unification is great but you have to keep up the spirit of competition. We all want to see if the Juniors are as hot as they think they are." The Senior class challenges anyone!!!!

A.F.S. -- THE LINK TO FRIENDSHIP

The American Field Service was originally started by a group of ambulance drivers who were concerned about foreign relations and relations between people. This idea has been overwhelmingly successful all over the world. So many juniors and seniors apply for the American Field Service programs abroad, that the A.F.S. officials must carefully screen and eliminate most applicants because there are a limited number of foreign homes available.

On September 27th, the A.F.S. Workshop will be held at Ygnacio Valley High School. A.F.S. officials from the New York office headquarters, high school principals and teachers, community leaders, and A.F.S. club officers will be divided into discussion groups to exchange ideas and plans for the various A.F.S. programs.

Regular A.F.S. club meetings are held after school. Students who have returned from abroad or foreign students who are studying here are usually the speakers. Miramonte's A.F.S. club has grown into one of the largest clubs in the many offered here. In a group like this, students not only learn about others' experiences in South America and Europe, but are given the opportunity to actually help in bettering foreign relations.

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Brazil Sends Ivan To Be AFS Senior

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil is the home of Miramonte's 17 year old American Field Service representative, Ivan de Barros Moura. He is living with the Dave Tranberg family of Orinda.

Ivan became interested in the American Field Service program a few years ago when one of his relatives was selected for it. He was very happy when he learned he had also been selected.

A change of schools is nothing new for Ivan. As a sophomore, he attended a military academy in Rio. An American school in Recife, Brazil, was the next stop for him as he wanted to learn



IVAN MOURA

more about America in preparation for his visit.

Ivan is undecided as to what he will do after he goes back to Brazil. He wants to enter a university and study oceanography but the Brazilian universities will not accept his credit for the courses taken at Miramonte and his previous American schooling. He is hoping to get into a college in the United States.

Social customs are different in Brazil but Ivan claims he will do his best to adapt. Dates are not permitted unless accompanied by a chaperone.

At home he enjoys skin-diving, volleyball, and soccer but he is looking forward to getting acquainted with the American sports.

Humanities Meets Many Topics Chose

Mr. Dyke Brown, founder and director of the Athenian School in Diablo, will be the first speaker for the new year of the Humanities Seminar. The seminar consists of a series of lectures on a variety of topics. This semester's program will include lectures on topics ranging from South East Asia to the Opera. The seminar is not school sponsored nor is credit given for it because it meets on Tuesday nights. However many teachers endorse it as a worthwhile and stimulating learning experience.

The first meeting is on October 5th in room F-2. Mrs. Leland, sponsor of the Seminar, said registration cost would be \$1.50 and opera tickets would be \$1.50 too. This year they can be purchased separately. She stressed that the seminar is non-profit and the registration fee pays for mailings and car fare for the speakers. Speakers donate their time to benefit high school students in this school district. Humanities has members from all schools in the Acalanes district and sixty or more students usually attend.

If you would like to hear the speakers or see the opera Lohengrin, applications will be available in the Counseling Office.

Listen for the announcements in English and social studies classes. In order to provide this opportunity for more students, Humanities Seminar will meet Wednesday nights next semester. New applications will come out at that time.

Early Dismissal Suggested As Reward For Student Help In Keeping Campus Clean

The long and rigorous school week taxes both the physical and mental capacities of the students at MHS. Early dismissal would surely ease the burden of studies for poor, overworked students.

Early dismissal cannot be granted simply because the students desire it, but there are ways that the students could earn the privilege. At two other schools in our district, Las Lomas and Del Valle, students are allowed to leave school grounds early every other Friday if they keep the campus clean seven out of ten days during the preceding two week period.

Any student who has crossed the gym lawn after lunch is aware of the horrible litter situation here. Used milk cartons, paper bags, and assorted pieces of paper are lodged in every corner of the lawn. Last winter, the garbage situation got so bad in the gym that the administration had given the students a reward for cleaning up the garbage.

The garbage situation of last year might have been averted if the administration had given the students a reward for cleaning up the garbage.

Although the administration might argue that the students should have enough pride in their school to keep it clean without a reward. It is human nature in many people not to want to make the effort to clean up their mess. Once an early dismissal is obtained, the students will see how little effort it takes to walk to the garbage can put the litter in there, instead of dropping it on the ground.

The clean campus plan would only be a beginning. Other dismissals could be granted if the students behaved properly. Many times in the past, early dismissals before holidays have been projected but rarely have the projections been carried out. We believe that a few early dismissals would raise morale and school spirit. The lessening of the thirty-five hour school week would give the students more energy to support school activities.

How will the decision be made? It is possible that the executive council can act on the proposed measure but the council needs the support of the students. There is not a better way to expound your views than to write to your only official school forum, *The Mirador*. Put comments in the Letters to the Editor box in the Dean's Office.

SCHOOL SPIRIT NEEDS SCARE

Here we are at dear old Miramonte again—or still—or at last—or already—trala—and all the old school spirit is beginning to sparkle once more behind sunburned eyelids and ooze from the cracks in the walls like thick green tar until the whole school is covered and stuck together, glowing verdantly against the sky in a brave sunburst of unified vitality. This could be a slight exaggeration but some people are really trying; the club presidents are using exotic field trips to entice prospective members, and several boys have been asked to get haircuts so that their disgusting vanity won't cause endless shame and dishonor to befall the entire student body. Unfortunately, these sterling attempts at spirit-building seem to have been in vain, and it is obvious that some new ideas are needed.

Our once-unifying football lights lost most of their ardent supporters when it became known that they were going to have to be paid for; games and other school activities have never been very magnetic so they can't be used. The only feasible alternative is one that was twice imposed upon us two years ago: the early

morning bomb scare! What has happened to the thrills and excitement of yesteryear? Where are the locker room whisperings, people passing into the Dean's Office with carefully guarded expressions and never returning, the hints of espionage, the undiscovered saboteurs?

Nothing can compare to running freely through the now-defunct orchards, or sneaking along the creek—a thousand people with escape shining in their minds. Stories of these illegal adventures and improbable plans for the next one were universal, as was the hatred of the idiot who called in the scare before fourth period, forcing us all to sit on the football field for three hours.

A suggestion to the new student body officers who are worried about the continually lagging school spirit: a well-timed bomb scare, or even a small fire, could solve all your problems.

CLASS COLUMN

Class News of '69, this year's freshmen, are laying plans for their first successful year at Miramonte. The freshmen are being led by their president Greg Mills, Vice-president, Ron Rauson, secretary, Dianna Jonde, and their treasurer, Dan DuPuis. Sales at football and basketball games, a part in the football festival, and the freshman dance will highlight this year's freshman activities.

John Burkman, sophomore president, is looking for students to work on the sophomore float in the football festival. John and class advisor, Mr. Clark, are searching for students who will be willing to sell at the sophomore game, the date of which is

CLUB COLUMN

The 1965-1966 Inter-Club Council's first act of the year was to set up Club Week. Under the direction of Kit Renwick, president, nineteen of Miramonte's active clubs met during the week of Sept. 19th thru 24th, to acquaint freshmen and new students with their various activities.

One of the first clubs to launch into action was the rifle club. Mr. Haldor Berg, the club's advisor, and the officers planned two field trips to rifle ranges in the Bay Area within the first few weeks of school. The club, usually composed mainly of boys, this year finds half its numbers to be girls. You can't get a man with gun, gals.

Spanish Club and Liz Reilly, its president, are planning a banquet, a party for sometime in November, and a field trip to a movie and a Spanish dinner. This year, the club's advisors are Mr. Edward Kursar and Miss Renalde Demeure.

The first organizational meeting of the Welcome Committee drew approximately 77 interested students. Those who attended were introduced to the club officers Michele Dahms, senior representative; Nancy Nott, junior representative; and Jan Wickland, secretary; and Miss Carol Erends, the club's sponsor. The Welcome Committee is a service club whose function is to welcome, advise, and help freshmen and new students adjust to Miramonte life.

German Club, whose president is Lloyd Maxfield, is also planning many activities for the coming year. Some of the things they will be doing are attending a German movie and dinner and a German opera in San Francisco. They may also make a trip to Tilden. Some of their more Miramonte-minded activities will be a float, a booth at the carnival, and a banquet.

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The Junior class council, comprised of Jack Kessler, Jon Ferguson, Barbara Rust, Sun Loper, Jan Bottjer, Steve Schnugg, and Bob Bardell, is working feverishly to replenish the Junior's amemic treasury. The Junior Game, from which the Junior's receive the proceeds of the concessions, is October 1, against Campolindo. The Juniors are planning on winning the booster card contest and the float competition, and on December 17, they will present the greatest Junior Prom in Miramonte history.

The seniors are so important this year that the paper is devoting an entire article to their activities.

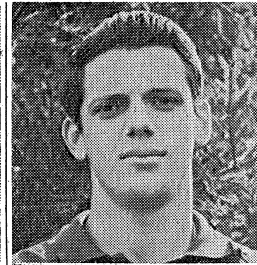
Jim Smith, Miramonte's A.F.S. foreign exchange student is now in Norway and would like his friends to write to him.

You can reach Jim at this address: Mr. Jim Smith, Orkadal Sjukehus, Orkanger, Norway.

Senior Portraits



Laurie Winthers



Jamie Armstrong

"I'm all excited about the night games!" says Laurie Winthers, this year's senior class secretary. Being excited about games is only one of the trying duties of the secretary. Laurie must attend class council meetings at 7:30 every Tuesday morning, and must also stay after school occasionally to ditto materials.

Laurie's new Volkswagen is her main interest right now. She likes car rallies and to go "hot-rodding around." (In a Volkswagen? ???) She enjoys Young Life and Campaigners even though these activities involve a limited amount of driving.

Social involvement is certainly an important part of college life to the secretary, and so her apt choice of school is Cal at Santa Barbara. Of course famed as this school is for its wild beach parties, classes are held quite regularly. Laurie intends to go into elementary education.

Laurie has been an active member of the student body since her freshman year. Besides being a member of the representative council, she was on the student advisory board in her junior year and has also been a member of the Ski Club. Now, as Senior Class Secretary, she is a member of Executive Council and attends the leadership class.

Laurie admits to liking Miramonte but adds that she will be glad to be going away. Maybe it could be that she is too busy.

When asked this vital question: Are chocolate covered ants tastier and why, these words of wisdom poured from the mouth of Jamie Armstrong: "Why, chocolate covered ants, of course because they boost my morale."

Jamie Armstrong, president of the Senior class, attended Boys' State for one week during the summer. "It is a great program because of the experience and the opportunity to meet people."

Jamie says that one of his, most valuable experiences was attending the Robert Lewis Stevenson High School in Pebble Beach for five weeks during the summer after his freshman year. Here he learned what college may be like as far as the strain and pressure goes. At the college, he was required to write three essays a day.

Although Jamie's mother, father, and sister attended Cal Berkeley, he does not want to go there because "It is too big and the F.S.M. movement gives it a bad connotation." Jamie has been considering Stanford, Pomona, and Davis and Santa Barbara for his college choices.

In regard to his more personal life when asked what he did after school, Jamie replied "Anything but homework."

The summer found Jamie painting . . . bathrooms???? He was an Acaleans maintenance man in a crew consisting of college kids and teachers. Now he is sure of One thing—he doesn't want to be a painter.

Council Corner

Student Body President Speaks On Unity;

By Dirk Vandersloot

The first few weeks of school are always pretty exciting if not hectic, because there's an awful lot to be done and a lot to look forward to. So far this year Freshman Day went over well, the Welcome Dance was a huge success, and student body cards are selling at an exceptional clip.

Our present goal is to make a record sale of booster cards. I urge all of you to try to persuade your parents to purchase these cards for \$5 which allows them free admittance at all our home athletic events. The booster cards constitute an important part of

our student body income, and with the added attraction of our football lights, we should make more money than ever before. You can get your booster cards either from your class representative or your parents can buy them at Ogden's or Sports Unlimited.

As for the future, our first representative council meeting on Sept. 30 started well. Some of the first items of business were concerned with the election of representatives every semester, night assemblies, a school variety show, and the improvement of the back road. Outside of student government, a number of events are coming up. Among them are the football games, the football festival (Oct. 22 against Del Valle), and after game dances.

I hope your enthusiasm will continue throughout the year, and if it does, we might be able to make this the most successful year in Miramonte's history. Remember that school wide unity is the key, and if we will work towards this we will have accomplished a great deal towards the continuing improvement of our school.

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Meet Your Student Leaders



Student Body President Dirk Vandersloot confers with Principal James Lewis about his plans for Miramonte this year.

"It's a real challenge, but I enjoy it," said our president Dirk Vandersloot concerning his office. Dirk has spent much of his summer thinking and making plans for this year. He has been busy talking to Mr. Robert Callan, dean of boys; Mr. Robert Campbell, executive council advisor; and Mr. James Lewis, the school principal.

Dirk has a number of ideas, many of them directly concerned with boosting school spirit. In order to achieve this goal a suggestion has already been taken before student council to have night rallies for football.

"Spirit is good now," says Dirk. "The Welcome Dance was a big success, and student body cards are selling well.

There are many other plans being tossed about, including paving the dirt road behind the football field, and ventilating the boys' locker room. These things need money, however, and this year a limited treasury is our biggest stopping block. In order to raise money there is a possibility of having night assemblies or perhaps a faculty show. Work weekends are also feasible.

After Dirk finishes his term as our student body president he plans to attend Stanford. He is also applying to Harvard and the University of California. He plans to be a doctor.

JON TRAVELS TO FINLAND

Last summer Jon Donchin went to Finland with the A.F.S. summer program. He spent the first month with a family on a farm in Rhimaki. It was difficult for him to communicate with his new "family" for awhile, because he had had no previous experience with the Finnish language. Because he was living on a farm with very little contact with the natives of the country, A.F.S. moved him to a family in the city of Hameenlinna. His family had four children, three of whom had been to the United States with A.F.S., and so knew some English.

Jon left Finland with a little better knowledge of the Finnish language, and a great desire to return to Finland.

He intends to study Swedish in college in the United States and then to go back to Scandinavia for the rest of his schooling.

Jon found Finland especially interesting politically because it is a Socialistic state and has only one economic class.

Jon feels that to be accepted as an exchange student for A.F.S., "a person has to be able to adapt to a foreign culture and customs."

SENIORS DISCUSS VITAL ISSUES

The Senior lawn, Senior lunch line and the Senior Ball, Banquet, Picnic, and All-night are just a few of the senior privileges that are eagerly looked forward to by underclassmen. However, these aren't just privileges but, in reality, are responsibilities that must be faced by each Senior.

The Senior Council, which was elected last spring, consists of

President, Jamie Armstrong; Vice-President, Jim Brock; Secretary, Laurie Withers; Social Secretary, Kris Hecathorn; Treasurer, Sally Skinner.

This year the council is undertaking the monumental task of obtaining permission from the school board to hold off-campus activities. Already Jamie has spoken with the members of the

board, but so far there have been no results.

It is obvious that the board is not going to make any snap decisions concerning this proposal. It is also obvious that one of their main considerations will be that of the attitude of the senior class as a whole. The council has stressed that in order to begin even thinking of having this privilege granted, it is necessary for the entire senior class to unify and co-operate with their leaders. Although the year has hardly begun, the seniors have already had a concession stand at the first home football game, and already have their booster cards distributed for sale.

Looming up in the near future is the Football Festival. The Mirador has been assured that all volunteers to work on the Senior class float will be eagerly snatched up in order to assure the best of the class floats.

This year the seniors are making every attempt to overcome their apathetic past and build up a new reputation. The Senior Council, which meets on Tuesday mornings at 7:30, welcomes all interested seniors.

Miramonteans Travel Far and Wide; Various Countries Visited By Students

MHS students wondered through the halls these first few weeks of school. Obviously, many still had their minds on places they had been or things they had done during the summer. Miramonteans were seen everywhere, most notably, Europe and Mexico.

England, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, and Scotland were the countries visited by Wendy Thompson on a bicycle tour of Europe. She went with a group of high school and college age students from the Bay Area on a Y.M.C.A. sponsored tour. They went by jet from San Francisco to London, and from London by bicycle into the countryside. The group stayed at youth hostels during their tour.

Because she is a ski enthusiast, Wendy would like to return to Norway. She found European teens more mature and independent than their American counterparts.

She found it a challenge to be asked about U.S. foreign policy. "You have to be a goodwill ambassador, mostly," she said philosophically. "Especially under these circumstances. We were completely on our own. You really get a chance to grow up that way."

Spending their summer in an energetic way were Andy Wolfe and Tod Snook who crewed on a schooner for three weeks. Home port was Oakland and destination was San Diego. But all was not just sailing.

Andy reports that the schooner stopped at a chain of islands off the Santa Barbara coast. There the crew hunted wild sheep and skin dove. In a few days the 64-foot craft headed towards civilization—Santa Catalina Island.

Wondering what other MHSers were doing? Look for future articles in the next issue of the MIRADOR.

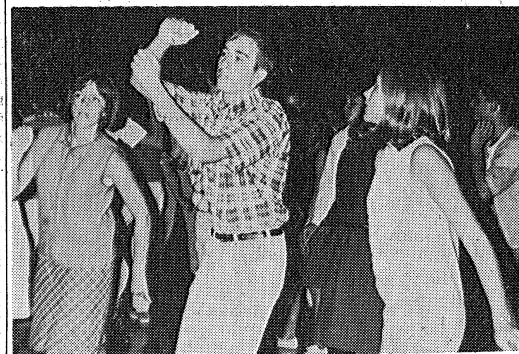
Rally Head Plans Stunts to Inspire Student Spirit

Rally Committee convened recently to discuss plans for the upcoming football season. The night rallies to be held on our field with our newly acquired lights should prove to be one the most exciting activities. According to Paul Majka, this year's Rally Commissioner, they hope to have a light ceremony for our first game.

Paul also spoke of coordinating committees originated with the Rally Committee, Pep Club, yell leaders, pom pon girls, majorettes and band to coordinate rally and game activities. He also mentioned and talked enthusiastically about the Pep Club. The Pep Club works closely with the Rally Committee. Its purpose is to ignite spirit and enthusiasm for those who are not on Rally Committee. The Pep Club is the spirit organization of the school and is opened to Freshmen who wish to join because only Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors are allowed on the Rally Committee.

From the fifty members on the Rally Committee individual committees are formed. Robin Roth is in charge of the posters, Barbara Rust will coordinate the skits, Mike Evans heads the stunts committee, Patti Mowrey will handle the ticket sales, Tom Culbertson will be in charge of the put-up, take-down, Gordie Seamen leads the ushers, Tim Outman handles the sportmanship group and finally, Judy Lissner will be in charge of the announcements.

Paul also expressed a fervent request that everyone who wants to sit in the rooting section must wear white! White blouses and sweaters are appropriate. The team looks great and hopefully the spirit of the school will lead them to victory!



Students dance up a storm at the first dance of the Miramonte '65-'66 year.

STUDENT'S SWIM, JERK AT WELCOME DANCE

Over 800 students screamed, jerked, stamped, and got acquainted at the most successful Welcome Dance in Miramonte's history.

According to tradition the dance was held from 8-11 p.m. on the first Friday of school. The dance was free to all student body card holders. The Executive Council with Dirk Vandersloot as chairman was responsible for the refreshments, entertainment, decorations and the door prizes.

Jamie Armstrong, the decorations chairman, transformed the gym into a setting of spirit and action, which was enhanced by the skillful use of signs and posters.

And there was definitely a lot of action when the Sattays, formerly the Princetons, began to play such songs as "Louie, Louie,"

"Shout," and "Long Tall Texan." Dave Hammond, the entertainment chairman, made arrangements for this five piece band to appear.

Lots of cookies and punch were provided by the pom pom girls, cheerleaders, and the Executive Council. Heading this committee was Chief Justice Vic Buffalow.

Candy Jacobs was in charge of the door prizes. The main door prize, which was a gift certificate donated by Ogden's, was won by Senior Dave Tranberg. Other door prizes were talking year-books.

The freshmen and new students were welcomed. Friends were made and the majority of people left the dance tired but, filled with spirit and anticipation of other Miramonte events.

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MATS BOW 6-0 TO PLEASANT HILL MATS AND RAMS DEFENSES SPARKLE

by Bob Bardell

In the inaugural game under Miramonte's new football lights, the Matadors were defeated by Pleasant Hill's Rams by a score of 6-0. The contest was highlighted by great defensive plays on both sides. The Rams were able to capitalize on the only major break of the game for them, a bad snap from center on a punt, and score their touchdown.

The outstanding player by far for Pleasant Hill was halfback Larry Jones whose outstanding runs not only electrified the crowd but inspired the Ram offense. Outstanding players in Miramonte's losing cause were Jan Bottjer, Marshall Snover, and Paul Yriberri. Bottjer's fine defensive plays kept Miramonte in contention while Snover's and Yriberri's running and pass-catching revealed the potency of the Matador's offense. The first quarter was strictly a defensive battle and it ended in a scoreless tie.

Miramonte punted on the first play of the second quarter and Bottjer made a fine tackle to

check a possible long return of the kick. The Rams immediately began to pick the Matador defensive secondary apart by hitting on four passes in a row, but the Matador defense once again rose to the occasion and Pleasant Hill was forced to punt. A fine punt return by Marshall Snover gave the Matadors the ball in good field position. Even the alternation of quarterbacks Shetterly and Baker did not give the Matadors any incentive.

PLEASANT HILL SCORE

The only major break of the game for Pleasant Hill came on a fourth down punting situation. The ball was snapped far over punter Ray Winquist's head and the Ram defense smothered him on the Miramonte fourteen yard line. Three plays later with only four minutes and fourteen seconds remaining on the clock, Pleasant Hill scored the only touchdown of the game to lead 6-0.

With four minutes left in the half, Miramonte desperately tried to get on the scoreboard. Two fine pass and run plays to Paul Yriberri and a fine run by quarterback Gary Baker highlighted the Matador's desperate drive, but with one minute left on the clock, a Gary Baker jump pass was intercepted. With only a short time left on the clock, the inspired Pleasant Hill offense showed their offensive ability for the first time in the half but the clock ran out before they could score.

DEFENSIVE BATTLE

The Matadors received the ball first in the second half, and aided by great runs by Snover and Yriberri, Miramonte began to grind out yardage on the ground; but, as usual, the drive stalled and the Matadors' were forced to punt. With Pleasant Hill in control of the ball, Larry Jones ran forty yards on a reverse with only a fine tackle by Snover, the last man in Jones' way, saving a touchdown for Pleasant Hill. The Rams continued to drive but Miramonte's defense was able to hold the Rams at the Miramonte two yard line. A fifty-eight yard punt by Ray Winquist got the Matadors out of trouble as the third quarter ended.

The fourth quarter was much the same as the other quarters. After a Bill Milton interception, Miramonte punted and received their only break as Pleasant Hill fumbled the kick and lost the ball. A fine defensive effort by the Rams pushed the Matadors back and the Rams took over and ran out the clock to win the game.

HEAVIER, STRONGER MAT VARSITY SCOTT PREDICTS BETTER YEAR

"Better year for Matadors," Coach Scott predicts. The Matadors will be heavier, stronger, faster, and all around better qualified to run over their opponents in the Foothill Athletic League this year. We were very lucky this year to get a schedule that only gives three away games, which will be an advantage against the Piedmont Highlanders and the San Ramon Wolves.

Mr. Scott says that this year's line average will be better than that of last year. While the Matadors only have five returning lettermen, the team this year is extremely powerful. The coach further went on to remark that if the team plays well, and has some good breaks early in the year, "we could scare a lot of people". While predicting Piedmont to clinch the league title, Mr. Scott thinks that the Mats can easily come up high in the league standings.

With the addition of our new lights, the Miramonte field is one

of the best in the league. Add that to a winning, and the combination is almost unbeatable, besides being able to draw large enough crowds to justify our purchasing the lights. The increased revenue from night games will bolster student body funds, while also allowing the Matadors to be seen

by more people at a time. The new bleachers on the visitors side of the field will allow more visitors to enjoy the massacre of their own team on our field.

Mr. Scott predicts that our hardest game this year will be against Las Lomas, on their own field.

THE RETURN OF THE WEINER WHISTLE; NEW RULING FOR F.A.L. SPORTSMANSHIP

by Tim Howe

Last year, when evil looking students in our cheering section clutched the forbidden air horns to their sides and hid paper bags full of newspaper fragments in their huge coats, Miramonte's cheering section was in doubt about something called the F.A.L. Sportsmanship Rating, which made it highly unpopular to bring

these horns and other home made noisemakers to football games. But now thanks to a booklet entitled, "The F.A.L. Sportsmanship Rating Form" we are no longer ignorant of these restrictions.

After much deliberation this committee finally decided that air horns and wiener-whistles are not instruments of "demons", bent on disrupting our cheering section, but rather seemed to add to the fun and hysteria at football games.

Gone are the days when a student could sit and watch a football game and yell hysterically for his school without fear of losing points for his cheering section by opening his mouth or blowing his air horn at the wrong time. Yes, this thoughtful committee has made it mandatory that each school elect five students to grade the opposing school's sportsmanship at football games as dictated in the Sportsmanship Rating Form. It's a shame that this "thoughtful" committee doesn't feel that high school students can control themselves at sports activities, and so has taken the liberty of dictating our actions at the games.

Nothing seems to be left out of this Sportsmanship Rating Form. It is the cheering section's Bible; the guiding light for uninformed rooters. Here is a sample of the Rating Form's thoroughness, "the stamping of feet on bleachers during basketball game is harmful both to spectators and bleachers". Well, if the simple stamping of feet on bleachers is harmful to spectators, maybe basketball should be played in a padded cell; or if the stamping of feet is harmful to the bleachers then they surely aren't strong enough to support thousands of pounds of squirming fans and should be replaced.

So dust the cobwebs out of your horns and take your wiener whistles out of their hiding places: and take advantage of the liberal restrictions of the FAL.

G.A.A. PLANS YEAR ACTIVITIES BEGIN

Swimming, tennis, and field hockey are the beginning after school activities on the Girls' Athletic Association calendar for this year.

Tuesday afternoons the competitive swimmers will work out in preparation for the District Swim Meet, an annual affair, this year to be held in the Los Lomas pool October 26. Miramonte's girls will be matched against members of swim teams from four other schools: Del Valle, Campolindo, Acalanes, and Los Lomas. For the girls who like aquatics but do not wish to participate in competitive swimming, synchronized swimming is being offered on the same day.

Also on Tuesday's the tennis courts and beginning tennis instructions are available and it is hoped that all interested girls will take advantage of this opportunity.

Wednesdays will see the G.A.A. Tennis Team practicing diligently for upcoming tournaments with other schools. One such tourney has been set up with the Volley-High Tennis Club of Piedmont in October. Preparations for other contests are currently being arranged.

A hockey team is presently being formed and is practicing on Thursdays. No games have been scheduled as yet.



MIRADOR

OCTOBER 1, 1965

Matador Cross Country Smashes Cougars; Junior Places First By 24 Second Margin

Miramonte's illustrious Varsity Cross Country team commenced its 1965-66 season on September 22, by soundly defeating the Campolindo runners by an 18-42 score.

Junior Doug Garoutte led all runners with an excellent time of 12:19; right behind him came Larry Warner with a 12:43 clocking. Fine performances by Jack Bowers, Jerald Dunbar, and Charlie Woodard enabled the Matadors to grab 4th, 5th, and 6th positions.

According to Coach Robert Campbell, Miramonte's toughest competitors this year will be San Ramon and Del Valle. These two schools will be out to upset Miramonte's seven consecutive years of Cross Country domination in the F.A.L.

This year's squad which, according to Coach Campbell, has "lots of runners, and lots of depth," will not only be in contention for the Varsity, but for the Frosh-Soph and Junior Varsity Cross Country Championships as well.

As it did for Campolindo, Miramonte's grueling two mile course should prove trouble for the var-

ious other teams in the league. To keep his runners in the best physical condition, Coach Campbell has them run a five mile practice course. Towards the end of the season, they will run approximately 10 miles each practice.

For the past seven years, the Matadors have always had at least one of their runners in contention for top runner of the year honors. This year, Coach Campbell feels that Junior Doug Garoutte will be the best in the F.A.L.

Miramonte has a very young team this year. Only one of the top five runners is a senior, Larry Warner. Behind the powerful front five runners: Doug Garoutte, Larry Warner, Jerald Dunbar, Charlie Woodard, and Jack Bowers, came Alan Deubner, Tom Winburn, Bill McCamy, Chuck Spinks, and Doug Walker.

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