

SCOTISTICS



The best gift you can give someone is a good example.

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Columbus, Nebraska 68601

Thursday, Sept. 27, 1984

FLAG CORPS SALUTES THE SHAMROCKS

by Geri Hilger

This year is the beginning of a Flag Corps group at Scotus. Our first experience in Flag Corps was the Columbus Days Parade held August 26th. The group had one routine to perform at least eight times throughout the fourteen block parade. The next experience was the Scotus-Lakeview football game. We performed at half-time with the band, doing a feature to the song "Conquistador".

On September 15 the group traveled to U.N.O. with the band and competed with other area schools. They performed at half-time of the U.N.O. football game that night which included all bands, flag corps, pom-pom squads and drill teams.

This year's flag corps group includes: Geri Hilger, captain; Danelle Pinger, co-captain; Kim Pokorny; Theresa Weiland; Kelly Votava; Patty Niedbalski; Becky Engelbert; Jackie Euteneuer; Tracy Maguire; Chris Melcher; Diane Zornes; Kim Shotkoski; and alternates Gina Ernst and Patty Ogden, flag corps members.

The flag corps this year are looking forward to performing at half-time during the Homecoming game and at parent's night. We hope to see you there!



1984-85 Flag Corps joins the band

Pictured left to right: Tracy Maguire, Patty Ogden, Becky Engelbert, Chris Melcher, Kim Pokorny, Geri Hilger, Kim Shotkoski, Danelle Pinger. Not Pictured: Patty Niedbalski, Theresa Weiland, Kelly Votava, Gina Ernst, Diane Zornes, Jackie Euteneuer.

JUST LIKE STARTING OVER

by Geri Hilger

Again this year we have the task of breaking in a new band teacher. Mr. Vondracek is formerly of Mead High School in Nebraska.

Mr. Vondracek directs the high school band, the junior high band and now the pep band here at Scotus.

So far this year the bands have performed at the Columbus Days Parade.

The Pep Band performed at both the Omaha St. Joe and Lakeview football games.

On September 15, the Senior High band traveled to U.N.O. to participate in Band Day. The day started with rehearsal in the afternoon, which included 11 area bands and the U.N.O. band. At half-time of the U.N.O. Maverick football game that night, all bands, flag corps, pom-pom girls, and baton twirlers performed various routines to the songs "All Night Long", "America The Beautiful", and "All The Right Stuff".

The band is now preparing for the half-time performance at Homecoming on October 5, 1984.

STUDENTS COMPETE FOR ALL-STATE

by Colleen Krzycki

On October 6, Scotus will have three students trying out for the All-State Choir. These three are Colleen Krzycki, Jill Rieser, and Joe Wieser.

Senior Colleen Krzycki, has been in the Music Club for 4 years including in this year. She has been in Freshman Chorus, Girls Glee, Concert Choir, and Swing Choir. Colleen has also been a music representative her freshmen, sophomore, and junior year. This year she is the president of music.

Junior Jill Rieser, has been in Music Club for 3 years, including this year. She has been in Freshman Chorus, Girls Glee, Concert Choir, and Swing Choir. Jill was her sophomore class representative. This year she is the Secretary-Treasurer.

Junior Joe Wieser has been in Music Club for 2 years, including this year. He has been in Concert Choir these two years.

"GOOD LUCK" to these three music students.

NEW FACES ON THE SCOTUS FACULTY!

by Colleen Krzycki

Well, it's a brand new year and aren't we happy? We all have new clothes, new shoes, new shirts, and new skirts. But there is something else that's new at Scotus this year, and they're called TEACHERS.

First on my list is Mr. Robert Arp. He is the new Junior High Principle, and he teaches computer literacy.

Mr. Leon Portrey is the business law teacher. He also teaches the accounting 1 and 2 classes, and the office procedures class.

Mr. Mark Urwiller is the physics and physics lab teacher. He also teaches 8th grade science.

Mr. Vondracek is the new Senior and junior high band teacher.

Mrs. Jan Went is the typing 1 and 2 teacher, and also the 7th grade math teacher.

Miss Pat Wehrman is our new librarian.

We would also like to mention that Mrs. Bstanding is back and is the senior english teacher, and the journalism teacher.

We should all give them a nice welcome into our school.



The Opening School Mass on September 5 was successful.

Photography by Greg Jarecke & Todd Peterson



Scotus students participate in the Eucharist.

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EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS ACTIVATED

Laurie Kennedy

teachers active on the team.

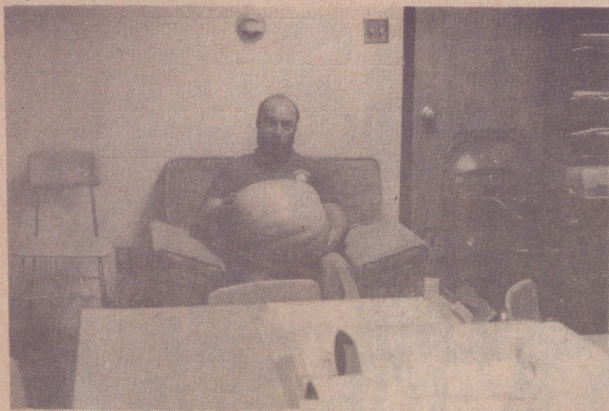
The Campus Ministry Team headed by Father Wayne is off to a good start with the first All School Mass held on September 5, in the courtyard. Father Wayne said this was a positive aspect for the student body while it enhanced the Liturgy.

The students were very involved with the Mass. Students from school organizations carried up a symbol representing their club.

The Campus Ministry Team has grown over the past year. There are about 79 students and 20

The E.M.E.'s (Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist) are: Jeff Lassek, Paul Shotkoski, Bob Parolek, John Mielak, Karen Tooley, Mary Murray, Kelly Votava, and Gina Ernst.

The E.M.E.'s will be distributing the Eucharist at All-School Masses and at the Week Day Masses. They will also be responsible for the visitation of the elderly and involvement in the liturgy at Morys Haven and at the Columbus Manor. The E.M.E.'s will help distribute the Eucharist at these nursing homes.



PHOTOGRAPHY BY PAT KUTA

HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?

by Laurie Kennedy

The Campus Ministry garden was very successful this year. Many people were supplied with vegetables from the garden. It supplied the three area manors: The Columbus Manor, Mory's Haven and St. Joe's in David City.

A roto tiller was donated this year which made it a lot easier to take care of.

They gave vegetables from the garden to anyone who wanted them to help supplement their income.

JOURNALISTS' HARD WORK PAYS OFF!

by Cindy Krause

The Journalism class would like to welcome everyone back to school and we hope you enjoy our paper this year.

The class started off the year by going out to the various businesses in the city and sold ads for the

newspaper and the yearbook. As a class we went up to Norfolk for a workshop on September 19th.

Co-editors for the newspaper are Cindy Krause and Colleen Krzycki. Laurie Kennedy is the editor of the yearbook.

HOME EC OFFERS CLASS VARIETY

by Donna Schieffer

Walking to class, you might notice a good smell coming from a room on the second floor. This isn't just any room, this is the Home Ec room. Some of you may be wondering, "What is Home Ec", and "Who teaches it?"

The Home Ec Department is made up of many classes including: comprehensive home ec, foods, home interiors, consumerism, and parenting. The classes are instructed by Mrs. Brozousky, some call her Mrs. B - the wizard of food and fashion.

Comprehensive home ec is a class offered to all senior high students. It involves food nutrition, consumerism, clothing, and housing.

The foods class teaches about food preparation, nutrition, and meal planning. At the end of the

semester the students prepare dishes and experiment new foods. Home interiors gives students a look at how to manage a home through elements of home furnishings, housing, dining equipment, and decorating.

Consumerism helps the students to manage money when buying a home, car, food, and supporting a family.

The last class the Home Ec Department covers is parenting. This is a very important class because it deals with raising a family and being a good parent. Also, at the end of the course, the students hold their own preschool.

The Home Ec Department is very important to our future, especially for students going to college. Remember boys, there isn't always going to be someone there to do your laundry and cook your meals.

BEHIND THE SCENES:

SPY ENTERS SHAMROCK TERRITORY

Football pre-game! Students ask, "What do football players do between 3:30 and 6:30 before the game?" Well, I just had to know, so I decided to disguise myself as part of the team on Friday the 14th.

On the 14th I wandered through the halls. To my surprise, only one person asked if I was on the team. Boy, did I have people fooled.

The after-school activities now lay in front of me with everybody meeting in the cafeteria. So far nobody had noticed me, slouching in the crowd.

Proceeding to mass in the chapel, presented by Father Wayne, I sat still unnoticed.

Walking out of mass in the middle

of the crowd I followed waiting and watching for the next move.

Sitting outside, cars pulled up each player walked to different cars picking up sacks and coolers. So I went in my car and grabbed a grocery sack. I followed the players to the cafeteria and to my surprise! There was food in those sacks. It was dinner time!

As lunch went on, we loosely talked about whatever they had on their minds. Occasionally joking about Marcie's peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

After lunch we proceeded to go into separate groups, backs and linemen, with my size I went with the linemen, still unnoticed.

Relax time came, one player brought this music box with Rock-n-Roll music. The players were jamming and getting psyched up! So naturally I joined in.

After this the players then dressed up, surprisingly, one person wasn't getting dressed in his uniform. They approached him slowly, throwing him in the shower (thinking he was an opponent spy) and practically drowned him. Coach Puetz strutted in saying, "Guys, guys that's our stat-man."

After this, the players from Scotus burned Schuyler 43-0.

Yours Truly,
Stat-Man (All Washed Up)
Alias - Pat Kuta

STUDENTS SING IT OUT LOUD!

by Colleen Krzycki

If you've been hearing sounds coming from the music room, it's not a ghost, but rather the music class getting ready for the music concert on October 17. The concert will consist of a variety of music. There will be solos, dances, and performances by the Concert Choir, Swing Choir, Girls Glee, and Freshman Chorus.

Concert Choir consists of both boys and girls from the sophomore, junior, and senior classes. Swing Choir is for girls only, and you have to be a sophomore or older to be able to be in it. Girls Glee is another all girls class. The age requirement is to be in senior high. Freshman Chorus is for the freshman girls and boys only. All these classes are very excited for the first concert and hope everyone will come and support them.

The officers for the 1984-85 school year are as follows.

President: Colleen Krzycki
Vice-President: Donna Schieffer
Sec./Treas.: Jill Rieser
Senior Rep.: Jodi Cutsor
Junior Rep.: Michelle Quattrocchi
Sophomore Rep.: Kim Shotkoski
Freshman Rep.: Chris Becher
Congratulations to these people, and may you do your job well!



The Bopsy Twins

PHOTOGRAPHY BY PAT KUTA

PEP CLUB BACKS SHAMROCKS

by Patty Niedbalski

This year the pep club has two new sponsors along with the four new officers. The sponsors are Mrs. Mable Pekarek and Mrs. Jan Went. The officers are: Pres. - Patty Niedbalski; V-Pres. - Jill Reiser; Treas. - Geri Hilger; and Sec. - Michelle Quattrocchi.

During the summer the officers and the varsity cheerleaders got together at Mrs. Pekarek's house to get organized. Everyone had a good suggestions and seemed excited for the 1984-85 year ahead.

The cheerleaders are a big help too. The varsity cheerleaders went to a clinic over the summer and learned some new cheers.

The cheerleaders are: Varsity, Lisa Cielocha, Colleen Krzycki, Lisa Spenceri, Donna Scheiffer,

Amy Liebenritt, Gina Sutko and Tami Thalken. The mascot is Lindsey Berlin. J-V, Carrie Starosick, Tammy Romanek, Michelle Sobota, Judi Liebig, and Lori Arlt. Frosh, Marin Melcher, Amy Iossi, Shelli Smith, Michelle Sand, and Traci Duren.

Pep club members seem to be excited and willing to help out as much as they can. They get points for what they do, and at the end of the year they get pins and bars to show how active they were.

Major things going on now are Homecoming and Parent's Night. This will be fun for everyone. Pep club will decorate the halls and get the teams excited for Homecoming. We hope to make the best of this year and so far it looks great.

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'ROCKS CRUISE TO 3-0 RECORD

SCOTUS WINS SEASON OPENER

BY Greg Jarecki

The 1984-85 football season looks like a bright one for Head Coach Jim Puetz and his players. The Shamrocks were rated fourth in pre-season polls in Class B state. Mr. Puetz feels this team has a good chance of going to state. There are sixteen returning starters from the 6-3 team last year.

Scotus started off the season against Omaha St. Joe on August 31st with a decisive 27-0 victory.

The Shamrocks did something unusual in their first win. They threw the football with quarterback Todd Duren throwing three touchdown passes, including two strikes to Karl Hroza and one to Jeff Podraza. Keith Neal scored the final touchdown for the Shamrocks on a well blocked reverse good for 27 yards and a touchdown.

The Scotus defense was also outstanding as they limited St. Joe's to just 62 total yards. While the offensive line dominated the line of scrimmage as Scotus had 264 total yards.

SCOTUS DOMINATES CITY-RIVAL

by Mark Love

Scotus led by Keith Neals 139 yards, and big holes provided by the line, buried Lakeview 46-0. Neal started off the Scotus romp by outracing the Viking defenders to the outside and then coasting 56 yards to the end zone. He then scored on a 10 yard reverse, making the score 13-0.

Then, the surprise story of the year, Scotus fans and coaches knew it must be true that we can pass. Todd Duren hit Jeff Lassek for a 32 yard touchdown pass. Lakeview on their next series was forced to punt, Karl Hroza fielded the punt and raced 49 yards for the fourth score of the evening, ending the first half.

Scotus was equally impressive in the second half with Keith Neal scoring two more touchdowns. The Shamrocks then got a safety when the Lakeview punter stepped out of the end zone.

One more touchdown in the final period by Mark Love ended the scoring. Scotus playing outstanding defense, also recorded its second straight shutout of the year.

SCOTUS STRIKES DOWN SCHUYLER IN SHUTOUT

BY Todd Peterson

It's three down and six to go, en route to a perfect season for the Shamrocks and maybe a shot at the state championship.

We got off to a slow start Friday night, but it didn't take long to straighten things out and get the ball rolling, by half time it was 14-0.

We came out at half time all fired up and ready to hit, and that's just what we did, we ran right at them in true Scotus fashion, the back ran real tough and followed some great blocking by the line into the end-zone four more times that night.

But we can't forget the defense who did a beautiful job, by holding the Warriors for a third consecutive shut out.

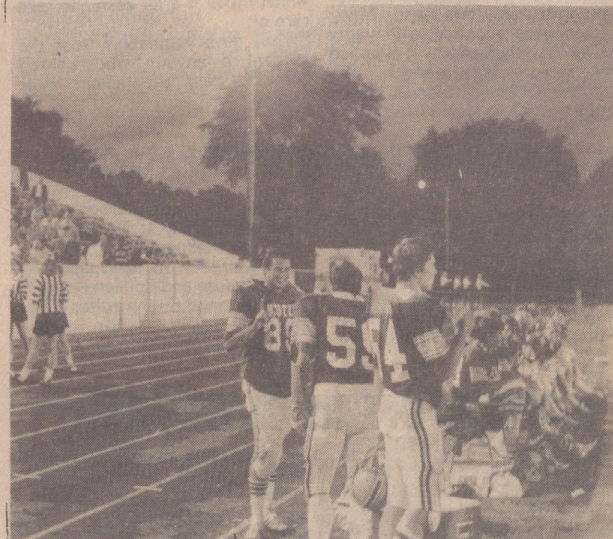
The final score was 43-0, and everybody was very satisfied with their performances, and thought it was a good game.

Next week we face Crete, it should be a real hard fought game, but I predict we will dominate the game and come home with a victory.



Father Wayne checks the injured Jeff Podraza.

Photography by Pat Kuta



Mark Krings knows who is #1

Photography by Pat Kuta

CROSS COUNTRY STRIDES OUT

by Jeff Lassek

The cross country teams hope to improve and amke a step each week as they come closer to the Conference Invite and District meet. Through their early meets, the Shamrocks have been doing this.

The boys first meet was the Albion Invite where they placed sixth out of eleven teams. They got nipped 22-34 to Columbus High in a big dual. At the Pius X Invite they scored 148 points to win first place over Grand Island North-

west's 37. They then won the Scotus, Lakeview and David City Triangular. Friday the 14 they hosted the Scotus Invite where they placed first with 28 points, followed by David City Aquinas with 45 points.

Juniors Dave Rhode and John Riley, along with Sophomore Eric Beck have been consistently placing high in all their meets. The Shamrocks will be hosting the District meet on October 10-12.

The girls' cross country team members are: Tara Zuerlein, Judi Liebig, Tammy Romanek, and Shelli Smith.

The girls placed ninth out of thirteen teams at the Pius X Invitational. Tara was top Scotus runner placing 26th.

In the Beatrice dual the girls were led by Tara and Judi finishing first and second respectively. While Tammy finished sixth and Shelli eighth. The girls won the meet by a score of 17-19.

At the Scotus Invite the girls finished second to first place Wisner-Pilger. Tara placed second, as Judi got fifth and Tammy ended up at ninth along with Shelli at tenth.



From left to right—1st row: Kristi Klopneski, Coach Muller, Coach Peterson, Tyla Tworek. 2nd row: Kelly Nicolas, Tami Thalken, Lisa Cielocha, Lisa Prosocki, Lisa Spenceri, Karen Tooley, Patty Niedbalski, Courteny Tooley. 3rd row: Mic Ruzicka, Julie Stachura, Kelly Martin, Amy Liebenrittr, Wendy Nicolas, not pictured, Gina Ernst.

FOOTBALL

- Sept. 28 Hartington CC (A)
- Oct. 5 Wahoo Neumann (H)
- Oct. 12 Boys Town (A)
- Oct. 19 David City (H)
- Oct. 25 Fremont (H)

VOLLEYBALL

- Sept. 27-29 Raymond Central
Tourney
- Oct. 2 Wahoo Neumann (H)
- Oct. 4 Seward (A)
- Oct. 11 Fremont Bergan (A)
- Oct. 16 Madison (H)

CROSS COUNTRY

- Sept. 27 Aquinas Invite G/B
- Oct. 4-6 Nebr. Cen. Conf. G/B
- Oct. 10-12 District Meet G/B
- Oct. 19 State Meet G/B

LADY SHAMROCKS SPIKE OPPONENTS

by Lisa Spenceri

This year's 1984-85 volleyball team has started out the season fine with the leadership of six seniors: Lisa Cielocha, Lisa Prosocki, Lisa Spenceri, Karen Tooley, Gina Ernst, and Patty Niedbalski who all contribute alot to the team.

The season started off with a victory over Albion 15-12, 15-10. Then Central City entered into Shamrock territory and was also defeated by the Shamrock girls in two sets 15-5, 15-7. The lady Shamrocks were also victorious in a close game with Omaha St. Joe in three sets 15-6, 15-17, 17-15.

The seniors feel very confident in the team this year. Our expectations and goals are set very high. The great crowd support and student backing gives us more confidence for the season ahead.

On Saturday September 8th, the Shamrock varsity team traveled to the North Bend Tournament. The Shamrocks drew a bye the first round. David City was the first opponent for the Shamrocks. This 3rd ranked Class B team came out ready to go, but so were the Shamrocks. But David City took turns hammering the ball at us. The Shamrocks rallied but could not pull out a victory and were defeated by Aquinas in two sets 5-15, 6-15. The Shamrocks then met with Schuyler in which the game was all going their (the Shamrocks) way. We showed poise and ability in our defeat over Schuyler in two sets 15-8, 15-2. Winning this game helped the Shamrocks gain a respectable third place finish to up their record to 4 and 1.

On September 11th the Shamrocks traveled to David City and this time the match was more hotly contested. The Shamrocks lost in two close games with the score being 11-15, 14-16. On September 13th the cross town rival (Columbus High) entered into the Shamrock Activity Center to challenge the Shamrock girls in front of an almost capacity crowd full of enthusiasm. The game went back and forth throughout the sets, with the Shamrocks winning the first set and the Discoverer girls rallying back in the next two sets for the victory over the Shamrocks. The Shamrocks are now 4-3 going into their next game against Schuyler.

No eagle soars
too high if he
soars with his
own wings.

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Monday, October 29, 1984

HOMECOMING 1984

SENIOR CANDIDATES SELECTED

LISA CIELOCHA

Lisa Cielocha is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Ken Cielocha. She has been a member of Pep Club for four years and has served as cheerleader all four years. Her freshman and varsity years, she was head cheerleader and squad leader for her squads.

She has participated in volleyball four years, basketball one year, and track three years. Lisa is a three year letter winner in track and participated in the State Track Meet her junior year. She is also a four year member of the S-Club.

Lisa has been a three year member of National Honor Society, which she is currently serving as President. She has been on the honor roll since her freshman year. She is a two year student council class representative and served as President of her junior class. She has also been involved in music two years, participated in County Government Day her junior year, and is on the Campus Ministry Team.

GERALDINE HILGER

Geraldine Hilger is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Hilger. She has participated in Pep Club for four years serving as treasurer her senior year. She was squad leader for two years and is currently captain of the Flag Corps. Her sophomore year she was vice president of the sophomore class and a member of the German Club. She is a member of the S-Club and has participated in volleyball for two years, basketball for two years and track for three years, lettering her sophomore year. She has participated in music for three years, and honor roll student for three years and is an active member of the yearbook staff.

COLLEEN KRZYCKI

Colleen Krzycki is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Francis Krzycki. Colleen is a member of Student Council and has been on the honor roll all four years. She has been a member of Pep Club for four years. She has been a freshman and junior varsity cheerleader. She is currently a varsity cheerleader. Colleen was a member of Spanish Club for one year, and Speech Team one year. Colleen has been in music for four years and is currently President of the Music Club. She lettered in music her sophomore year. She has been a class representative for music her freshman, sophomore, and junior

year. Colleen has been active in volleyball for three years, basketball for two years and track three years.

Colleen is currently Senior Class vice-president and is co-editor of Scotistics as well as an active member of the Journalism staff.

DONNA SCHIEFFER

Donna Schieffer is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Anthony B. Schieffer. Donna has been a member of Pep Club for four years serving as a freshman cheerleader and a varsity cheerleader her junior and senior year. She has been involved in music for three years and is vice president of the Music Club her senior year. She has been in Swing Choir for three years, and lettered in music her junior year. Donna was active in basketball, track and volleyball her freshman year. She was in Art Club one year, Thespians two years and Speech Team one year. Donna is currently a member of the Journalism staff.

LISA SPENCER

Lisa Spencer is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Frank Spencer. She has been a member of Pep Club for four years, serving as a squad leader her sophomore year and a varsity cheerleader her junior and senior years. Lisa has participated in track three years lettering two years, and has also been a member of the basketball and volleyball team for four years, lettering in each of these sports. She has been involved in music for two years. Currently she is on the Campus Ministry team. Lisa participated in County Government Day her junior year. She served as a class officer her junior and senior year. She has been an honor roll student and is currently an active member of the yearbook staff.

STEVE BONK

Steve Bonk is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Bonk. He has been in basketball three years and three year letterman in track and football. He was all conference in football for two years. Steve has been a member of the S-Club for four years and currently is one of the football team captains. He has been on the honor roll.

TODD DUREN

Todd Duren is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Duren.

Todd has been on the honor roll for 4 years, and a member of the National Honor Society for two years. He is also a member of Campus Ministry and the Student Council. He was a participant in County Government Day his junior year. He is currently Senior Class President.

Todd is a one year letterman in basketball, two year letterman in football and a three year letterman in track. He has been a member of the S-Club for four years and is currently serving as one of the football team captains.

JEFF LASSEK

Jeff Lassek is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Virgil Lassek.

He has been a member of S-Club for three years and a member of Campus Ministry for one year. He was appointed extra-ordinary minister of the Eucharist. He participated in County Government Day as a junior and in music for two years. He is an honor roll student and a member of the Journalism staff.

He participated in basketball, lettering one year. He also participated in track, lettering one year. He is currently a member of this year's football team as a three year letterman.

KEITH NEAL

Keith Neal is the son of Mr. & Mrs. William Neal.

He transferred to Scotus in his junior year. Since being at Scotus, Keith has participated in track as a sprinter and anchored the 400 x 100 meter relay which had the fastest Class B time last year.

He was also selected the Scotus representative to Boy's State.

Keith, an honor roll student, is in his first year as a member of the Shamrocks football team and is the starting I-Back.

JEFF PODRAZA

Jeff Podraza is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Ambrose Podraza.

Jeff is an honor roll student and a member of the National Honor Society for two years. He participated in County Government Day as a junior and is a member of Campus Ministry.

In sports, Jeff was a four year member of the S-Club. He participated in basketball for three years, lettered in it one year. He is a three year letterman in track and football. Jeff is also one of the captains of the football team this year.



KING MARK AND QUEEN PATTY

MARK KRINGS

Mark Krings is the son of Mr. & Mrs. David Krings. Mark has been a member of the S-Club for four years. He is a three year letterman in track and a 2 year

letterman in football. Mark participated in basketball during his freshman year. He was a member of the German Club in his freshman years also. Mark is currently involved in FBLA.

PATTY NIEDBALSKI

Patty Niedbalski is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Walt Niedbalski. She is a four year member of Pep Club, being a squad leader her sophomore and junior year. She is currently serving as Pep Club President. Patty is a three year letter winner in track. She has participated in volleyball for four years and basketball for three

years. She has been a member of S-Club for four years. Patty has been active in music for four years and has earned letters three years. Her junior and senior year she has been in Swing Choir. As a freshman she was in Spanish Club. She participated in County Government Day her junior year. This year she is active on the school newspaper and yearbook staff.

EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

SPEECH TEAM WANTS RESPECT

by Cindy Krause

If you are one of the people who is constantly criticizing the members of speech team, drama, or Thespians (which is with a "P" not a "B") take a second look at why you are doing this.

Are you criticizing them because you have a lack of knowledge about the group? Do you envy the skills and the courage they have? Or, are you just being cruel?

If you are just being cruel, please realize that the speech teams works just as hard as the football or volleyball teams. They also have to practice everyday with a coach to improve their techniques. The members can win medals and trophies, and they acquire speaking skills that will be with them for their entire lives. These skills can help them communicate with others better.

The speech team has won six straight conference championships, one district runner-up, first place at the Grand Island Invitational, and runner-up at the Grand Island Invitational. The speech team has had medalists at the state competition for the last six years. But, in spite of what the speech team does and has done in the past, many people ridicule the theater arts, and, in fact, make fun of it.

The members of the speech team do not make fun of the football or volleyball teams, they support these teams and congratulate them when they win their games. In return, they want the credit that they work hard for and deserve!

So, if you are one of the people that does this ridiculing, please remember the saying your parents should have taught you, "If you can't say anything nice, don't say anything at all!"

PUMPKINS DISAPPEAR FROM GARDEN

by Todd Peterson

Well actually not just pumpkins, watermelons have disappeared too, according to Father Wayne a bunch of pumpkins and watermelons were taken from the Campus Ministry garden a couple of weeks ago.

To tell you the truth when I first heard about this I was very surprised. I was trying to figure out why somebody would do something like that.

Maybe it was kids who didn't have anything better to do so

they thought they would go steal something.

Maybe it was somebody who really needed the food, but that is what the garden was for in the first place, for people who couldn't afford the food.

Either way they shouldn't have just taken them. It probably doesn't seem like a big deal that a few pumpkins and watermelons were taken, but to those who worked long and hard at the garden and to those who were supposed to receive that food, I am sure it is a big deal!

CHEERLEADERS SHOW THEIR SPIRIT

by Lisa Spenceri

This summer the Scotus cheerleaders attended the National Cheerleaders Association camp. The camp which was held at Nebraska Wesleyan University in June, attracted over 250 cheerleaders from a five state area.

The Scotus cheerleaders received top recognition for the most spirited squad at camp. They were also finalists for the "Award of Excellence". Four squads out of the 25 squads attending were picked for the best squad at camp. The cheerleaders received an NCA spirit stick, which was awarded

to them by the NCA instructors. The Scotus cheerleaders are now eligible to compete in the regional competition at Grand Island this fall.

Overall the cheerleaders thought the camp was a fun filled week and the hard work really paid off. The cheerleaders learned many new cheers and chants to cheer the teams on to a winning season.

The Scotus Central Catholic varsity cheerleaders who competed this summer are: Lisa Cielocha; Lisa Spenceri; Donna Schieffer; Colleen Krzycki; Amy Leibentritt; Tami Thalcken; and Gina Sutko.

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SCOTUS WELCOMES NEW TEACHERS



MRS. JAN WENT



MR. LEON PORTREY



MR. ROBERT ARP

By TODD PETERSON

by Todd Peterson

The Scotus business department has two new faces. These people are Mrs. Jan Went and Mr. Leon Portrey.

Mrs. Went teaches Typing 1 and 2, and also 7th grade math. She graduated from Lakeview High School, and then attended Wayne State College.

Before coming to Scotus she student taught at Howells High School in Howells, Nebraska.

When asked how she likes it here so far, Mrs. Went replied, "So far its been fantastic. The students are pretty cooperative and for the most part well disciplined."

Mrs. Went sponsors FBAL, enjoys softball, volleyball, and watching Nebraska football games.



MR. MARK URWILLER

by Pat Kuta

Mr. Mark Urwiller a Science teacher is new here at Scotus Central Catholic High School.

Mr. Urwiller is a native Nebraska who lived 12 years in Omaha, Nebraska, until his family moved to Los Angeles, California.

Mr. Urwiller has a bachelor's degree in earth science, which he earned it at California State University, Northridge.

Some hobbies Mr. Urwiller enjoys in his spare time are: astronomy, photography, music (both listening & playing), and geology.

Mr. Urwiller started an Astronomy Club because it is his first and favorite hobby, because of the strong feeling of the student interest in this field.

When asked of his opinion of Scotus so far he replied; "The atmosphere is very nice and I am also impressed with the student body and Administration.

Mr. Leon Portrey teaches Accounting 1 and 2, business law, and office procedures.

Mr. Portrey is originally from Dawson, Nebraska.

He attended Peru State College. Before coming to Scotus, he taught business classes for five years in Lake City, Iowa. Mr. Portrey has spent a total of ten years teaching business classes.

Mr. Portrey came to Scotus because he liked what he saw in the school and it had a good reputation. So he thought he would give it a try.

In his free time he likes to play golf, basketball, and spend time with his children.



MR. TOM VONDRAECK

by Geri Hilger

The Scotus band department has a new face in the crowd this year. Mr. Tom Vondracek is the new teacher of senior high and junior high band.

Before coming to Scotus he taught at Mead High School in Nebraska. He taught high school band for three years.

Mr. Vondracek was born in St. Paul Nebraska and later moved to Corsica, South Dakota for 2 years. He attended Yankton College in Yankton South Dakota majoring in band.

He was influenced greatly by members of his family that are also band teachers. Mr. Vondracek enjoys working with young musicians to improve their talents, and he likes teaching all Scotus band classes.

When asked of his opinion of Scotus his reply was, "It is a nice school to work at and the students are wonderful to work with. Columbus is a nice place to live and all the people are very friendly."

Kathy, Mr. Vondracek's wife, has been a substitute here at Scotus frequently. Also living with the Vondracek's is their cat, Spike.

by Greg Jarecke

There is a new face on the third floor at Scotus this year. The new-comer is Mr. Robert Arp. He is the new Jr. High principal and has the responsibility of keeping the Jr. High students in line. He also teaches two classes of computer literacy.

This is Mr. Arp's 11th year of teaching. He taught at Dodge Public Schools for three years and at Wahoo Public Schools for seven years before coming to Scotus.

Born and raised on a farm in Sutton, NE., Mr. Arp lived there until he moved to Lincoln to attend the University.

Mr. Arp's favorite past-time is being with his family. They enjoy playing games, going places together, and playing with their Collie named Theo. Mr. Arp and his wife Vicki have three children. They are Jennifer, Michael, and Diane.

Mr. Arp received his undergraduate degree at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln and then went on to receive his master's degree at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Mr. Arp wanted to teach at Scotus because of its good reputation and the job description of the position open. Mr. Arp's background in computers is that he has his own at home and he also has a willingness to learn more. He has also done some inservice work for the staff and alot of word processing.

Mr. Arp is very impressed with Scotus thus far. He is impressed with the students, teachers, administration, and parents. He feels Scotus is a very sound educational program with a high priority on student achievement in a Christian setting.

BAND MARCHES TO A TIE FOR FIRST PLACE

by Geri Hilger

The Scotus band tied for first place in the Columbus Band Competition on October 6th. They were entered in the small school division category. The Scotus band consisted of the senior high band and Flag Corps.

In competition the band and Flag Corps preformed a routine to the song "Conquistador". The competition consisted of all 22 area bands performing in a small parade. Two judges present were in the crowd and in the judge's stand.



FRIGHTENING MEMORIES OF HALLOWEEN HAUNT ME

How many of you remember your first years of Halloween?

Well I do, and I was pretty excited but scared by the stories of the boogey man who's going to get you.

First I would decide what suit to wear. So, Ma and I would go to Alco, Kmart, and Woolworth's to pick out the best costume, which was Count Dracula; and, of course, I was the best looking.

Pa was always the careful one. He would plan out which houses I would visit. Pa always said, "Don't eat the goodies until Ma and I check it out."

My escort was my crazy sister, and her boyfriend who would protect us. Boy did I catch on when she had me go to the end of the block and come back while she waited for me.

Meeting other princesses and

HOMECOMING WEEK

LET'S GO CRAZY!!

by Patty Niedbalski

Have you taken a look at our school lately? I think we all went crazy. For 1 week - the week of homecoming.

It all started on Monday, October 1st. People wore crazy hats and boots to school. Now I knew there was something wrong because everyone knows you may not wear hats at Scotus, especially to school. I asked the freshmen what they were doing. They said, "Let's Go Crazy!" I walked away with massive confusion written all over my face.

On Tuesday I went to school feeling fine, but soon became ill. Students were walking around with socks everywhere. They weren't your everyday white bobby socks either. They were the craziest colors I have ever seen. There were also stickers all over everybody. I

DRIVING WITH MOM AND POPS (AND OTHER HEALTH HAZARDS)

by Laurie Kennedy

Have you ever heard of the book by Erma Bomberg "If Life Is A Bowl of Cherries, What Am I Doing in the Pits?" This seems to be my very own, personalized motto of life.

This came to my attention about three years ago when I first attempted the impossible - driving. Yes, my parents' worst nightmares had just come to life. Their measly 15 year old daughter was about to take the wheel. Their only consolation being that I am the last of their kids; therefore, this meant that if they could survive this, the final test, life could once again be peaceful.

My first attempt came one spring day back in '83. I look back now and I realize it's a good thing Dad was my first victim - after all he's supposed to be the braver of the two.

draculas always was fun because I would try to guess who they were, while they tried to guess who I was.

Going from house to house yelling, "Trick or Treat", was a blast. Wondering if I would get a treat or a trick, but as usual I got tricked with an 'ole pie in the face.

On one Halloween while approaching one house, I heard strange noises emerging. I rang the doorbell and the door slowly creaked open. Then all of a sudden Wham! Bam! a hairy creature jumped at me and screamed booh-+ was so scared I dropped half my candy.

The creature then ran out and picked up those goodies I dropped and snickered. Boy, I was mad, and I made sure that I wouldn't stop there next year.

Coming home to get my candy

checked out by Ma and Pa was the best. I would end up with a tummy ache from all those yummys.

The after years of Halloween would still be fun, not trick or treating but being with all my friends that night.

Driving around with my friends on Halloween, I remembered my good times as Dracula.

Feeling a little Devilish my senior high years, my friends and I plan death-defying scenes for our friends to scare the living soul out of them.

This year will be exciting as my first year with a planned visit to the locally haunted grave yard for a deep-digging experience.

I hope everyone has a safe, but fun Halloween.

Signed,
Dracula Junior
(Pat Kuta)

thought I'd stay away from the freshmen because they were WACK-O. So I asked the sophomores; "What's going on?" They screamed, "Let's Go Crazy!" I just smiled and walked away again feeling very confused.

Wednesday I woke up feeling better. I think I was beginning to accept the fact that Scotus was going crazy. When I got to school I couldn't believe my eyes. Everyone was dressed like way back in the 50's. The guys had their hair greased back and muscle shirts on. While some girls had skirts on that were about an inch about the ground, and they weren't even complaining. The junior and freshmen halls were decorated. This time I didn't even have to ask what was going on. It was plastered on the Junior's lockers and walls. It read, "Let's Go Crazy!"

Thursday came and people were

dressed up again. This time they came as "Nerds." Everywhere you looked there they were, high water pants, old shirts and glasses, shoes that would knock you over just by looking at them, and the wierdest hair-dos you could ever think of. I can't go on I told myself. I think I'm going crazy.

School was back to normal on Friday. Everyone was back in uniform. There were some people with green hair though. I didn't want to ask why, so I let it be. At 12:00 there was a mass in the old gym. It was very touching for some seniors. After mass the pep club and some football players went cheering down the halls to get everyone excited for the football game that night. After school there was also a pep rally. There were funny skits and a great pep talk by Coach Puetz. Except for the rain, the night went great.

that the more you let up on the gas pedal, the easier it is on the vinyl seats.

Now if Dad wants you to slow down he simply pushes his right foot to the floorboard in search of the brake - which isn't there. In this case, the same advice applies - the more you ease up on the gas pedal, the fewer muscle spasms your Dad's leg will have.

And last but not least, if all of a sudden Mom starts sliding down in her seat, this means she's more than a little embarrassed because you accidentally switched the hazards on and you can't figure out how to shut them off.

After these and many more hair-raising experiences, Mom and Dad decided to simply ship me off to Driver's Ed (for their own safety). So thanks to a patient driving instructor, my parents survived without a scratch, and I survived my parents.



PHOTOGRAPHY BY COLLEEN KRZYCKI

MOCK TRIAL WINS THEIR FIRST DEBATE

by Jeff Lassek

The Scotus Mock Trial team won their trial over Monroe in their first competition.

The mock trial team members are attorneys John Mielak, Cindy Krause, and Danelle Pinger. The witnesses are Steve Merrill, Stacy Torczon, and Lori Cimpl.

A mock trial is like an actual trial. A winner is not decided by who wins the case, but rather which side is best prepared for the trial.

The case was chosen by the state and is used in every mock trial throughout the state. This year's

trial is about a lady who got pregnant and had the baby when she was 17 years old. The real father left her alone to have the baby. After she had the baby for awhile, she married some other guy. They did not want the real father to ever see his son again.

The teams coach is social studies teacher Mr. Zowada. They are helped by attorney Mr. Hansen.

The mock trials are divided into 21 judicial districts. If Scotus wins their district, they then will go onto a regional meet. Following this, teams go to state against 8 other regional winners.

"SNOOPY" PLAYS AT SCOTUS

by Cindy Krause

"Songs for Act I memorized tomorrow!" This is an example of what is said by Mrs. Schnabel and Mrs. Bernt during the few weeks while helping the cast of Snoopy prepare for their performances.

The cast will have two performances; Friday, October 26th at 7:30 PM; and Saturday, October 27th at 6:00 PM in the old gym.

Reserved seats are \$3.00 each; general admission tickets are \$2.50; and student tickets are \$2.00.

The case for the musical includes:
Jodi Cutsor - Sally
Chris Melcher - Peppermint Patty
Kathy Hellbusch - Woodstock
Carla Podraza - Lucy
Joe Wieser - Charlie Brown
Paul Maca - Linus
Dan Schmidt - Snoopy

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INITIATES NEW MEMBERS

Laurie Kennedy

The 1984-85 National Honor Society Induction was held on October 3, 1984 in the Little Theatre. Mr. Barry welcomed the new inductees and their parents to the ceremony. Father Wayne said the opening and closing prayers. Lisa Cielocha, president, introduced the new members of the John Scotus National Honor Society Chapter.

Fourteen students were inducted: Vicki Boryca, Angie Brozovsky, Ed Fehringer, Robin Hamling, Amy Hefti, Kathy Kellbusch, Julie Hroza, Kurt Kuta, Kelli Martin, Paul Portrey, Jill Reiser, Shiela Schmidt, Mark Sojka, and Carrie

Starosck. Four students that were on the Close-Up trip in Washington, D.C. last spring were also inducted. These students were: Cindy Krause, Lori Cimpl, Joan Sojka, and Lori Brdicko.

The present officers lit the candles representing the four qualities National Honor Society seeks to accomplish: scholarship, service, leadership, and character. The new members were the given candles which they lit from the candle of knowledge and repeated the National Honor Society pledge after Lisa.

Proceeding the candle lighting, Mrs. Brozovsky congratulated the new members.

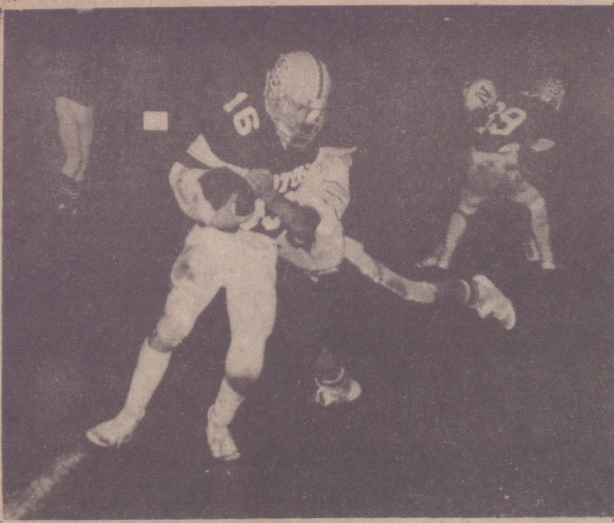
MUSIC CLASSES PREPARE FALL CONCERT

by Colleen Krzycki

The fall music concert will be held on November 8, at 7:30 in the Memorial Hall gym. There will be performances by the concert choir, swing choir, and the girls glee. A variety of songs will be sung by each group. There will also be solo performances by music students

and a dance by Diane Zornes and Michelle Sand.

This year the Scotus music classes will also be performing for the Veteran's Day Observance to be held here at Scotus in the Shamrock Activity Center on November 12, 1984, at 10:00 AM.



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TODD GRUNTS "GRRR!"

by Todd Peterson

For the first time in three years the Scotus Homecoming game was a successful one.

The Shamrocks got off to kind of a slow start again Friday night, but late in the first quarter Mark Love scored from 4-yards out.

Scotus was on its way to a 30-8 victory over Wahoo Neumann, and their 6th consecutive win this year.

Next was a Podraza 25-yard field goal, which made it 9-0, Neumann

then bobbled the kick off and Karl Hroza came up with the ball. On the next play Keith Neal scored on a 31-yard run.

The Shamrocks went in at half time with a comfortable 16-0 lead. Scotus added a safety, and two touchdowns to the score, in the second half.

The defense played another exceptional game holding Neumann until late in the fourth quarter when a Neumann back broke a 90 yard run for the score.

HOMEcomings POST-GAME ACTIVITIES

by Patty Niedbalski

The 1984 Homecoming festivities "gushed" in with a steady rain fall. Bother guys and girls go all out for the special occasion. They got spiffed up in suits and dresses and maybe spent extra on flowers for their dates. But, the rain didn't stop the Scotus School spirit. There was a great crowd for the game.

After the victory came the first

major dance of the year along with coronation, which took place in the Memorial Hall Gym. Last year's King and Queen, Jim Paprocki and Liz Kump crowned Mark Krings and Patty Niedbalski as the 1984 Homecoming King and Queen. The dance was held in the cafeteria, with the theme of "Stay The Night." The music was provided by Complete Music from Omaha.

JUNIORS EXCEED MAGAZINE GOALS

by Mark Love

The Junior class this year sold \$8,000 worth of magazines during a two-week period in order to raise money for this year's prom.

The class selling the most subscriptions received a free meal

of their choice at Johnnies on October 9th.

Bob Klopniwski, who wasn't in the winning class but had the top sales of over \$400, was asked by class sponsor Mr. Hixon to go along to Johnnies.

TENNIS RUNS NO-FAULT SEASON

by Donna Schieffer

This is the second year for intramural tennis at Scotus.

Mr. Hixon started the program last year and is instructing the teams again this year.

The boys practice learned skills and strategies by playing against each other in a type of rotating intra-squad play.

Tennis takes place every Monday and Wednesday at Pawnee Park.

Intramural tennis is held in

September and October for the boys. The girls play in the spring.

At the end of the year there will be a combined girl's and boy's tournament. The tournament is open to any student at Scotus and will include a singles and doubles bracket. Also being considered is a faculty mixed doubles bracket open to all faculty members. Trophies are awarded for first place winners in all brackets.

7 DOWN AND 2 TO GO

by Mark Love

The Scotus Shamrocks dodged a big bullet on October 14, at Boystown.

The Shamrocks coming off a big win over Neumann the week before, and big wins over the rest of their opponents, finally were tested for the first time.

The Shamrocks defense was outstanding, while the offense was very sluggish.

Todd Duren, on the opening Shamrock series, threw an interception which Boystown returned to the Scotus three. Two plays later George Ebanks scored from the

two.

Scotus came back to take an 8-7 lead on a three yard run by Keith Neal. Scotus went for what appeared to be a one point conversion, but faked it and went for two by having Todd Duren throw the ball to Jeff Podraza.

Scotus took an 8-7 lead into halftime. But that lead was only momentarily in the second half.

The Shamrocks second half began just as bad as the first half did. Scotus received the ball only to have it fumbled away. The Scotus defense wouldn't break as they held Boystown on downs.

Boystown got another big break when Todd Duren's pass slipped

through the fingers of Mark Krings and into the hands of a Boystown defender. Several plays later George Ebanks scored his second touchdown of the game when he scored from three yards out.

Then the break Scotus was looking for came when the Boystown quarterback faked back to pass and just lost control of the ball, where Scotus recovered.

Scotus drove the ball down to the two where Keith Neal went in for the score.

Then probably the biggest extra point of the year for the Shamrocks was perfect. Scotus held on for a 15-14 win!

by Greg Jarecke

The Shamrock football team is on a roll as they won their fifth straight game and fourth shut out against Hartington C.C.

The Scotus rushers again did a great job as they pounded out 270 yards on the ground with the help of a strong offensive line.

Quarterback Todd Duren added 75 yards passing as the offense

produced 28 total points on a cold, damp night.

Fullback Mark Love, started off the scoring for the Shamrocks on an explosive eight yard run. In the second quarter Todd Duren threw a seven yard pass to Don Brackenhoff for a T.D. to make it 14-0 at the half.

Keith Neal scored the third touchdown for the Rocks on an eight yard run. Jeff Podraza

finished the scoring with a two yard run in the final quarter.

The Scotus defense was also awesome with the leadership of Bob Klopniwski, Steve Bonk, and Jeff Podraza. The Scotus 'D' once again dominated the game as they held Hartington to very few total yards. Coach Puetz, proud of his teams effort, was glad to take home the 28-0 victory.

CROSS COUNTRY RUNS TO STATE!

Jeff Lassek

Districts for cross country were held in Columbus and the Shamrock boys and girls team both earned a trip to the state meet for the second straight year.

The boys were led by Dave Rhode's fourth place finish. They were also helped out by John Riley placing eleventh, followed by Eric Beck and Steve Merrill placing 16th and 18th respectively. The boys placed third behind North Bend and Ord.

Girls were placed by Tara Zuerlein finishing sixth, and right

behind her at eighth was Judi Liebig. Tammy Romanek finished at 16th, followed by Shelli Smith at 22nd. The team placed third with 28 points. North Bend and Ord also finished ahead of the girls.

Both teams tuned up for the district meet by doing very well in their meets prior to districts. The guys other highlight of the season was winning the Conference Meet.

The boys won their Fremont Bergan dual 14-22. Dave Rhode and Eric Beck finished first and second respectively. John Riley

placed fifth and Steve Merrill at sixth. They finished second out of 13 teams at the North Bend invite. Dave and John each earned individual medals as they finished 6th and 14th respectively.

At the Aquinas Invite they placed fifth, and Dave Rhode got sixth place.

The big win for them this year was winning the Conference meet. The Rocks were Led by Dave Rhode placing first, while Eric Beck got seventh, and Steve Merrill was at 12th. John Riley finished at 15th.

SHAMROCKS TAKE FIRST AT RAYMOND CENTRAL

by Lisa Spencer

The Shamrock girls were on a roll with a five game winning streak. The streak started with a victory over Schuyler, for the second time this year. The Shamrocks primed themselves for the tournament in a games against the cross town rival Lakeview. The Shamrocks won easily in two sets defeating the Viqueens and chalking up another victory.

September 27th the Shamrock girls traveled to Raymond Central for the first round of the tournament in which they met up with York. The Shamrocks did not play the type of game the team would have liked to play, but they were




still victorious in a two set victory over York.

The victory put the Shamrocks in a good position for the next day. The Shamrocks played a tough Waverly team ranked 5th in the Class B ratings. The Shamrocks knew that they would have to play tough to defeat Waverly. The defeated Waverly in a very tough and exciting two set victory. This victory pu the Shamrocks in the finals vs. David City Aquinas, a team that had beaten Scotus twice earlier in the season. Aquinas was not prepared for the awesome attacking of the Shamrocks. The Shamrocks won the first set, but it was not an easy win. The Monarchs then came out defeating

the Shamrocks in the second set. It was the third and deciding game in which the winner would be chosen.

The game went back and forth with both teams rallying for points. The Shamrocks were victorious over the Aquinas team that was also ranked in the Class B poll. This gave the Shamrocks a respectable first place finish.

The Shamrocks received medals for their top finish, Sophomore Kelli Martin was voted as the tournament's most valuable players. This tournament was a total team effort, earning the team a 7th place rating in the Class B polls. Overall Coach Peterson was pleased with the fine effort his team gave in the tournament.

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LIBRARIANS ADD NEW DIMENSIONS TO SCOTUS CENTRAL CATHOLIC

by Donna Schieffer

The Scotus library is more than just a lot of books. There are many interesting aspects to the library. Other than reference books and dictionaries, great classics, novels, and much more can be found. The library carries a variety of magazines and newspapers. Students also have access to a computer and other machines.

Often students go to the library for research but have a hard time finding what they need. If this happens, don't be afraid to ask for help from the librarian, Mrs. Whiteley or her helper Mrs. Hittner.

People sometimes get the impression that a librarian is in the library at all hours putting books away, checking books out to students, or telling everyone to be quiet.

This is not true of the librarians here at Scotus. True, they are

very busy people, but they take the time to help the students and faculty.

This is Mrs. Whiteley's first year at Scotus. She is originally from Nelson, Nebraska, where she was raised on a turkey farm. She graduated from Nelson High School. For ten years she was a professional lifeguard and pool manager. Mrs. Whiteley raised enough money to put herself through college and earned an Art Degree at Doane College and a library endorsement from Kearney State College. Mrs. Whiteley taught art for five years and still enjoys doing art for commercial work as a side job.

Recently Mrs. Whiteley was married. She and her husband purchased an old farm house. She plans to fill the house with old antiques she has refinished. Mrs. Whiteley also hopes to raise horses in the future. Her hobbies include collecting antiques and riding motorcycles.

Mrs. Whiteley has been a librarian for two years. So far she says she really likes it at Scotus because it is a nice size compared to the other schools she has taught at. She said that the kids are well disciplined, and the faculty is nice to work with. Her future plans for the library are to expand the collections in some areas and get more equipment.

Mrs. Hittner is the library aid. This is her second year at Scotus. Mrs. Hittner checks material in and out of the library, types cards, processes new books, takes care of the mail, and helps supervise students. She has three children attending Scotus and enjoys working with kids. In her spare time she enjoys crafts and attending Scotus activities.

Before coming to Scotus Mrs. Hittner was an elementary teacher in Council Bluffs. She said she enjoys working at Scotus.



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P.E. DEPARTMENT GETS PHYSICAL

by Lisa Spenceri

The physical education department offers the opportunity to participate in many activities. Highlighted in this article are some of the activities involved in the physical education department.

The teachers involved in this area are: Mrs. Malicky, Mr. Gary Puetz, and Mr. Spenceri. They

are endorsed P.E. teachers. The Scotus facilities include two gymnasiums, a weight room, and two locker rooms, one for the boys and one for the girls. These provide the department with fine indoor facilities for physical education classes.

The availability of the NPPD parking lot provides the addition of outdoor facilities for the classes. Students in grade 7 thru

10 participate in physical education. Now, there are also classes for more advanced students. The students participate in many different activities and have completed such units as: soccer, flag football, rugby and speedway.

P.E. offers students the chance to participate and compete in a non-sports environment.

VETERANS DAY CELEBRATED AT SCC!

by Pat Kuta

Scotus Central Catholic celebrated Veterans Day with an estimated 80 veterans attending in the Scotus Activity Center on Monday, November 12, 1984 at 10:00 A.M.

The events started with advancement of colors followed by the national anthem presented by Scotus Central Catholic High

School Band, directed by Tom Vondracek.

The Master of Ceremonies was Chuck Lowry who presented the commanders of each post and Mayor George Johansen.

Father Wayne Pavela, Scotus Campus Minister, gave a Benediction with Veteran's Day ending with the retirement of colors.

POLLS OPENED AT SCOTUS

by Jeff Lassek

The Scotus senior high students were given the opportunity to Vote on November 6, 1984. The students Voted on the President, the Mayor of Columbus, a House of Representative, and a Senator from Nebraska.

The Votes didn't count into the official election, but the results were compared to the national percentage. Both results were similar.

The results were:

President of United States
Ronald Reagan-90%
Walter Mondale - 10%

Senator from Nebraska
James Exon-61%
Nancy Hoch-39%

House of Representative
Virginia Smith-94%
Tom Vickers-6%

Mayor of Columbus
Larry Marik - 64%
George Johansen - 36%

REISER SELECTED TO ALL-STATE

by Colleen Krzycki

Jill Rieser has been selected to All-State Choir. The try-outs were held on October 13, at Columbus Senior High School.

Jill was required to sing scales and songs in front of a judge in a private room. The students were scored and the results were tallied. Jill was one of the many students chosen to the choir.

JOURNALISM'S BUSINESS IS BOOMING

by Lisa Spenceri

The Scotus journalism staff this year had a successful ad sales campaign. The journalism staff spent one day selling ads for their yearbook and newspaper.

For the 1985 Yearbook, the staff sold 66 ads, and cleared a gross profit of around \$3,855 dollars. This money is used to finance the 1985 Scotus Yearbook.

Scotistics, the newspaper, sold 18 ads and made a total of around \$970 dollars. These funds cover the expense of typesetting and publishing the school paper.

The newspaper ads are published monthly. Businesses select the months when they want their ad in the paper.

The class has set up their own billing system and will be in charge of collecting from the businesses.

THANKSGIVING CELEBRATED LONG AGO

by Colleen Krzycki

The first Thanksgiving Day celebration was held less than a year after the Plymouth colonists had settled in the new land. The colonists celebrated by having a 3 day feast, thanking God for the bountiful harvest.

The custom spread from Plymouth to the New England colonies. On November 26, 1789, George Washington issued a general proclamation for a day of thanks.

For many years the United States did not have a regular national Thanksgiving Day. But in 1830 President Lincoln pro-

claimed the last Thursday in November as "a day of thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father."

In 1939 President Roosevelt changed the date of this day of thanksgiving. It was to be held on the 3rd Thursday to lengthen the Christmas shopping period.

In 1941 Congress ruled that Thanksgiving be held on the 4th Thursday of November. This is how our Thanksgiving Day came about. Now we celebrate with a big feast of turkey, pumpkin pie, dressing, potatoes, corn, cranberries, and much more. Happy Thanksgiving to all!

SCOTUS PAYS TRIBUTE TO THE DECEASED

by Geri Hilger

Scotus established a Scotus Memorial Fund Plaque in 1975 to remember the deceased in the community. The two memorial plaques are located across from the chapel in the entry way at Scotus. All memorials are engraved with the name of the deceased and the year of the death.

The memorials were set up to recognize the deceased in the community and to help the Scotus Education Foundation. Those wishing to remember deceased family and friends in the community, may purchase a memorial with a donation of twenty-five dollars or more. All donations are directed to the Scotus Education Foundation.

EDITORIALY SPEAKING

SHAMROCKS MAKING MOST OF FIRST-EVER STATE PLAYOFF BIRTH

by Todd Peterson

It's that time of the year again for the state high school football playoffs. And for the first time in Scotus history the Shamrocks are there!

Not only is Scotus in the playoffs, but they are making a bid for the State Championship.

From day one the 1984 team goal was to make it to the state playoffs. A goal that has eluded the Shamrocks for many years.

But it seemed this year was going to be different. It was obvious after the first game and throughout the year.

There was something there, something special. Maybe it's the unity of the team, or it could be the support from the

student body and the fans. Whatever it is, it's working.

The Shamrocks started out in the state tourney beating Wood River. Then it was off to Aurora. It was a tough game but the Shamrocks came home that night with a victory.

But lets not forget Omaha Roncalli. They were the big gun of Class B that was supposed to waltz right in and claim the championship spot. But the Rocks stopped them in their tracks with a 14-13 victory.

There is still one more game against Gothenburg before Scotus can claim the number one spot. But if the Shamrocks play a good game, and with a little luck, it might happen. Good luck Shamrocks.

"SNOOPY" ENJOYED AT SCOTUS

by Cindy Krause

Congratulations to the cast and crew of "Snoopy" for a job well done! "Snoopy" was a mixture of songs and dances that took the audience back into their childhood.

The cast included: Dan Schmidt-Snoopy; Joe Wieser-Charlie Brown; Chris Melcher-Peppermint Pattie; Jodi Cutsor-Sally; Steve Merrill-Linus; Carla Po-

draza-Lucy; Kathy Hellbusch-Woodstock.

The student directors wer Lori Cimpl and Lori Sokol. Technical crew included: Stephanie Micek, Katrin Reiner, Shari Rosno, Janet Scharff, and Becca Tof.

Ann Chelocha, Debbie Kouma, Becky Reimers and Carrie Kucera were in charge of sales.

Mrs. Sandy Bernt and Mrs. Ginny Schnabel were the direc-

SECRETARIES BUSY WORKING IN THE OFFICE

by Colleen Krzycki

Busy working in the office are a pair of tremendous secretaries. Their names are Ruth Jochum and Evelyn Harral. Every day they are ready to face the tasks that wait for them.

Too often people forget the work Mrs. Jochum and Mrs. Harral do for the students and the school. They spend long hours during the summer to prepare the school for the coming school year. Mrs. Jochum and Mrs. Harraal update student records and send parents all the information needed about the new school year. Mrs. Jochum has a special job of matching the number of books to the

number of students that will be in each class during the school year.

During the school year Mrs. Jochum and Mrs. Harral type all the letters sent to parents, alumni, different businesses, and are schools. Lunch tickets are purchased in the office through these ladies. If a student happens to forget a belt or a pair of socks, Mrs. Harral or Mrs. Jochum will have a spare set just for the student.

These are just a few of the many jobs and duties Mrs. Jochum and Mrs. Harral are tackling. They do alot of work and are greatly appreciated by students, teachers and administrators.

FASHION:

FADS BECOME A TWIST!

BY Colleen Krzycki

Fashion? What's Fashion? The dictionary defines "Fashion" as a prevailing custom or style of dress. We call it the "In Look". But fashion changes so fast that by the time you get into the fashion, it changes. So your stuck with the old one.

Have you ever heard of twist beads? Not to many people have. Twist beads are a form of necklace. They are made out of little balls connected by a string. Kind of like pearls. They come in a variety of colors. They are also finished in many different ways such as the pearly look, the shiny look, or just the plain beads.

Twist beads can be worn many different ways. They can be twisted or untwisted, and worn short or long. There are many different types of twisting that can be done, and you can use a variety of colors. Just twist two different strings of beads together. I myself know about 10 different ways, so if you need some help, just yell. Spice up your outfits with the latest fashion. Twist Beads!



PHOTOGRAPHY BY LISA SPENCERI

PICTURES AREN'T ALWAYS A SNAP!

by Donna Schieffer

Everyone will agree that taking pictures is alot of fun, but there is alot more involved than just fun when taking pictures for journalism.

First, it takes alot of time and energy to wait for that perfect pose.

Homecoming week was a very busy time to get those memorable moments on film. Looking around I saw all the work put into that special week, and I decided it would be the perfect time to get some action shots.

After taking some shots of decorating halls, I decided to go over to Pawnee Park to get some pictures of the tennis team in action for one of my stories.

Finally, feeling very confident of the work I had done, I handed the

camera in.

The next day another classmate proceeded to finish up the rest of the film. Then when opening the camera to take out the film we found no film! I can't describe the feeling of disappointment that came over me.

It is embarrassing thinking back to when I was running around the tennis court getting that winning serve by Mr. Hixon, and running in and out of the players trying to get everyone in a picture. Also, it was very disappointing knowing that all of my time and energy went to waste.

Photography has its ups and downs. Just remember when taking pictures make sure the camera has film!

DO YOU EVER HAVE ONE OF THOSE DAYS?

by Laurie Kennedy

Do you ever have those days when you wished that you hadn't wasted the energy to drag yourself out of bed? In my case I rave them frequently - like every other day.

It starts out as usual with Mom waking me up for school. With my eyes still glued shut, I manage to make my way out to the kitchen for breakfast. If I happen to trip over the cat on my way, this is the first indication of a crappy day ahead.

After breakfast I walk to the bathroom to brush my teeth. It

just so happens that we're almost out of toothpaste. So I squeeze the remaining toothpaste to the top of the tube, hoping to hit my toothbrush. With one last squeeze the toothpaste comes flying out, jumping the bristles, landing right in the sink. (my second warning).

Then I attempt to wash my face. Okay, here's the scenario. I wet the washcloth, grab for the soap which slides out of my hand, onto the carpet. I now have fuzz-covered soap. (my third warning).

After this you'd think I'd give up but no, me being the persistant person that I am, try again.

Next I attempt to curl my hair with a brush curling iron. Yep, you guessed it, the bristles get tangled in my hair. So this leaves me with a slight problem. I have one of two options: 1. walk around with a curling iron in my hair all day or; 2. rip my hair out. Of course I pick the latter of the two - after all, vanity before pain. (my fourth warning).

After these four warning signals, I now know for sure that it's going to be a crappy day. With this in mind I say a quick prayer to my guardian angel, asking her to look out for me in order that I don't manage to kill myself throughout the course of the day.

BOOK REVIEW: 1984

by Cindy Krause

1984 by George Orwell is pessimistic fiction that is confusing and incomprehensible to the average reader. This book takes place in the year 1984 in England. The story is about a civil servant and a party member who met in the English Totalitarian State. Both of these individuals conceive political doubts. These doubts are detected after a short and touching period of happiness and the man is horribly "rehabilitated".

The title of this book describes what the world could possibly be like in 1984. Some of this book has come true, but for the most part the book is extremely

far-fetched.

George Orwell has both a hero and a heroine in this book. Winston Smith is Mr. Orwell's hero. He is slow-learning and he cherishes a life of contemplativeness and the joy of "purposeless". Julia likes to experiment. She is a member of the Party.

During the course of the book, Oceania, Eurasia and Eastasia (which are states in this book) often change sides because of war. Winston and Julia get caught making love and therefore, Winston is severely tortured because any sexual movements are considered deadly sins.

The plot of this book is extremely difficult for the average reader to

understand. It does not appeal to those who just read for enjoyment.

1984 is basically an attack on Soviet Communism. George Orwell has written this book so that freedom and happiness are incompatible. It is a satire and a warning, not a description. The book shows that if the government gains too much control they can cause trouble and change an entire nation, possibly the entire world.

1984 is a book that is good for the reader who wishes to study philosophy and can understand this branch of science. For others, this is not the book for them to read.

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SPEECH TEAM PLACES EIGHT IN FINALS

by Cindy Krause

The Scotus Speech Team has again proven their capabilities by qualifying 76 percent of the team for the finals at the Platte Speech Contest held at Platte Technical Community College on November 10, 1984.

The following students received medals:

Junior Division

Ed Fehringer - first; Original Public Address
Ed Fehringer - second; TV News

Stephanie Micek - third; Entertainment Speaking

Amy Iossi - third; TV News

Senior Division

Lori Cimpl - first; Original Public Address

Debbie Kouma - first; TV News
Katrín Reiner - second; in Poetry and second in Informative Speaking

Lori Cimpl and Danelle Pinger - second; Duet Acting

Kathy Hellbusch - second; Extemporeous Speaking



Pat Kuta

Hey mom is the turkey done yet?

I heat this every November 22, when the aroma fills the air of a monstrous Thomas turkey basting in the oven.

The frosty cold mornings usually start out with a hunting expedition with my dad and my brother Bob, in search of game! With my expert shooting, I'm the one who brings home the robin. OOPS! wrong species.

Venturing back into town with the losing respect of no luck, Dad would pull into the local Hinky Dinky to search for the Thanksgiving dinner.

Finding the turkey and showing it to mom was a proud feeling when she would say "Pat, you must be one heck of a shot to bring this Tom home." I felt like I

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was the man of the family.

Helping mom was a thrill to dress the turkey for basting while my sisters (Barb and Chris) would prepare the rest of the awesome vittles.

My mom side of relatives would arrive, with my Uncle Stanley and Uncle Tony and their families bringing one side dish of food.

The men would gather in the living room and rant-n-rave while watching the football games and occasionally sipping on some old favour Hires Root Beer.

Listening to my dad and Stanley screaming for their favorite team, then when the other team wins, they would say, "I knew they would win."

Then it was time for dinner the kids were on one end of the table and the parents on the other. Starting with a Thanksgiving prayer, usually was done by one of my sisters.

Passing the food around and stuffing my tummy with dressing, cranberries, corn, and of course, we can't forget Thomas turkey.

When dinner came to an end, the ladies would clean the table up and wash the dishes, while the men would gather in the living room and talk about football.

After the ladies were done cleaning up, the kids usually got together for there annual game of euker, while the parents played their game of pitch. By the way, my partner and I would always win in euker. Night time came with relatives leaving one by one.

The day was very exciting overall and I hope this one turns out even better. I hope everyone has a Happy Thomas Turkey Day.

Thankfully yours,
Pat Kuta

TREAT YOUR CABBAGE WITH CARE

by Cindy Krause

A lot of girls have stuffed animal and doll collections (including me) that they have collected over the years. But then there are some people whose collections are worth more money because of what they contain - Cabbage Patch Kids. These little dolls seem to be popular not only with kids but also with teenagers and adults. Cabbage Patch Kids come with adoption papers and become like a real child in the family. All over town kids can be seen carrying

their dolls just like a real baby. Then there are the Care Bears, which aren't quite so expensive as the Cabbage Patch Kids and are also easier to find. These bears are the most cuddly little bears around and, although they don't come with adoption papers, they can still become like a real child.

Cabbage Patch Kids and Care Bears are likely to be around for awhile so if you want to have a special item in your collection get yourself a Cabbage Patch Kid and a Care Bear, if you can find them.

SPANISH CLUB PLANS THE YEAR AHEAD!

by Laurie Kennedy

The Spanish Club is off to a good start this year with a fund raiser scheduled for October. The Spanish Club has decided to sell candy for their fund raiser.

A committee has been set up to plan the fiesta in early December.

Foreign Language Day in Lincoln is set for March 21, 1985. Over thirty students from Scotus will be competing against students from many other Nebraska schools at the University of Nebraska campus.

Over the last few years several

Scotus students have participated in a trip to Mexico. On this trip students visited Acapulco, Mexico City, and Taxco. Students interested in going to Mexico in the summer of 1985, should contact Mr. DeLuna. The cost of the trip is estimated at \$700. To be eligible for the trip, two years of Spanish are required.

The election of officers was held in September. Officers are: President-Amy Liebenritt; Vice-President-Kelly Nicolas; Treasurer-Julie Hroza; and Secretary-Scott Heimes.

GERMAN CLASSES EXPLORE CUSTOMS

by Geri Hruiger

The German classes at Scotus have begun to explore the many ways and customs of Germany. The three German classes, German 1, German 2, and German 3 are under the direction of Miss Jeannie Kiser.

The students have begun making pretzels and cherry strusel in class. The students have commented that it is fun to use the techniques that the Germans use, in making food. This is just one of

many ways to learn about Germany and its environment.

The German classes are looking forward to the December 7th, field trip to Omaha to see a German play. All three German classes are participating in this outing.

The students are now in the process of forming a German Club. There hasn't been a German Club at Scotus for two years. Last year there was a Foreign Language Club which included both German and Spanish students.

A HUNTIN' WE WILL GO!

by Colleen Krzycki

Well it's that time of the year again, Thanksgiving. And, it time to go hunting, for turkeys.

I remember my first hunting trip with my brothers. When my dad said I could go with them, I was scared, but I really wanted to go. I got all my hunting clothes on and was ready to go. When my brothers, Jeff and Pat, came out to the car, they looked like army jeeps with all their camouflage clothes on. We got in the car and were on our way.

When we reached the field in which we were going to hunt in, I got scared and started to cry. Jeff told me to shut up or they would shoot me and eat me for the

Thanksgiving dinner. I stopped crying and got out of the car.

On our way to the middle of the field, Jeff kept telling me to yell at him the minute I spotted a turkey. The first time I looked out into the field I saw something. I started yelling, and I yelled so loud that I scared the turkey, and it ran away. After that, my brothers yelled at me and said to keep my big mouth shut.

We started walking again and about 30 feet in front of us, we saw something sticking out of a bush. My brothers told me to stay behind and watch. I got restless and ran ahead of them because I wanted to catch the turkey myself. I jumped into the bush

and to my surprise it wasn't a turkey. It was a pheasant. The big bird started to attack me and I screamed. Jeff and Pat came running and scared the bird away. Then they laughed at me and made me cry, and I ran to the car and said I would never go hunting again.

When we returned home, our parents asked where the turkeys were. My brothers said I scared them all away and that they would forget about taking me on the next hunting trip. My mom said that it was okay, that we didn't bring any home because she had already bought a turkey from the store. (I guess it's better than nothing.)

FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA UPDATE

by Todd Peterson

FBLA is really keeping busy this year. According to Mrs. Went there are 85 new active members. This is the highest in Scotus history.


October was a busy month for the FBLA members. The officers

attended a workshop to improve their leadership skills. They raised over \$1,000 dollars through poster and calendar sales. There was a good turn out for the joint roller skating party with Lakeview's FBLA chapter.

The month ended with a

Halloween party in the cafeteria. Prizes were awarded for the best costume and winners of the games.

FBLA will be holding a half court shoot-out at all-home basketball games.

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"WE DID"

By Patty Niedbalski

Throughout the whole season the volleyball saying was "WE WILL". Well, after speaking with Coach Peterson, he feels as though "WE DID".

The 1984 volleyball team ended their season with a 14 - 4 record. That is something to be very proud of. The only teams Scotus lost to were David City Aquinas, Columbus High and Pierce. All three of these teams went to state this year.

Coach says he is very happy with the successful year. He said the teams, freshmen, junior varsity and varsity all worked hard and had fun too. Everyone sowed improvements. There was a "never give up" attitude the whole year, no matter what the situation was. Everyone gave their best effort and did what they could to make the team the best. Coach thanks the seniors for their leadership throughout the year.

Taking first place in the Raymond Central Tournament was a big lift for the team. They also took third place at the North Bend Tournament. The best winning record this year was 15-0 against Fremont Bergan.

New individual records set this year were: most ace serves in a match (9) - Kelli Martin, also in a season (67) - Kelli Martin, most ace spikes in a match (15) - Karen Tooley, and the most set attempts in a match (64), season (557), and career (1110) - Lisa Spenceri. Lisa also set the record for the most sets for kills (326).

The team met for the last time on November 5th. They voted on some player standouts. Karen Tooley was voted as the most valuable player and the best defensive player. Lisa Spenceri was voted as the most enthusiastic player. Gina Ernst and Ann Bernt were voted the most improved players.

Over all the year was a great success. The team would like to thank the parents and fans for their support during the season. The junior varsity team finished their season with a 7-4 record, and the freshmen record was 2-7.

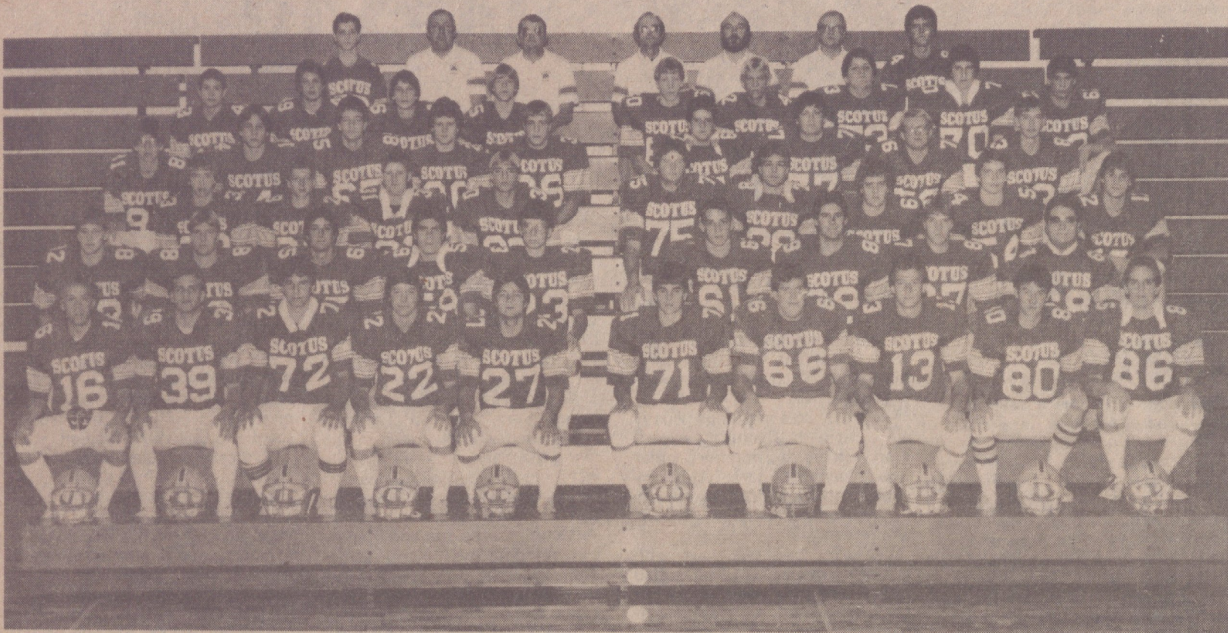
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SHAMROCKS ARE GOING FOR THE GOLD SHAMROCKS CRUISE ON TO STATE

by Greg Jareck

The 1984 Scotus football team concluded regular season play undefeated at 9-0 with a decisive victory of 39-0 over Fremont Bergan. Thus earning the Shamrocks a first appearance in the State Class B playoffs.

The Shamrock's offense got back on track as they scored 39 points. Keith Neal started off the scoring on a two yard touchdown run in the first quarter. The next score came in the second quarter when Todd Duren threw a back-out pass to Jeff Podraza, and then it was off to the races as Podraza sped down the sideline 80 yards

for the score. Fremont fumbled the ensuing kickoff return to set up the next T.D. for the 'Rocks, as Duren threw a beautiful 26 yard pass to Don Brakenhoff for six more points. The touchdown gave Scotus a 20-0 lead at halftime.

Neal scored the only points during the third quarter on an explosive six yard run. He scored again early in the fourth quarter on a one yard dive up the middle. The final scoring of the evening occurred when running back Mark Love raced around the left end and broke free outside for a 92 yard touchdown run.

Bergan only had one real scoring threat against the tough Shamrock defense as they completed a halfback pass which eluded the Scotus secondary, but he did not make it into the endzone as Steve Bonk dove for him and Rick Zoucha made a record saving tackle. Zoucha's tackle and an awesome goal line stand on the one yard line preserved the shut-out, and tied a school record of six shut-outs in a season.

The undefeated Shamrocks now moved into the first round of the State Playoffs at home against Wood River on October 31st.

SCOTUS CLEANS OUT WOOD RIVER

by Mark Love

Scotus, in it's first playoff game ever, made it a memorable one.

It looked like it would be a long night when Wood River fullback Sam (slam) Schmidt started the game with a 30 yard run up the middle.

Scotus finally got down to business and held Wood River on downs. Neither team could get their offense going in the first

quarter and it ended at 0-0.

In the second quarter Keith Neal broke loose for 32 yards up the middle. To set up the first Scotus touchdown.

A few plays later Todd Duren couldn't get the ball to the back and ran 13 yards around the right end for the score.

Wood River had a chance to get into the game when they connec-

ted on a 35 yard pass play to the Scotus 9.

Scotus dug in and forced the Eagles into an unsuccessful field-goal try.

Scotus added icing to the cake when Jeff Podraza scored from one yard with only two minutes left in the game.

And as the old saying goes, "We came, we saw, we conquered."

SCOTUS ADVANCES TO SEMI-FINALS

by Todd Peterson

It was probably one of the hardest hitting games that I have ever seen, this is what many Scotus fans had to say after the game Monday night.

Luckily the Shamrocks were the ones doing all the hitting. Although the Aurora did put fourth a gallant effort the Shamrocks were just too much for them.

But it might not have seemed that way in the first half of the ball game. The Rocks drew first blood in the first quarter and it was 7-0. But then on came the Huskies. They got the ball and took to the air and scored on a pass several plays later. Then they got the double extra point conversion and it was 8-7 Aurora.

But they weren't finished yet. They got the ball back and kicked

a field goal just before the end of the half and it was 11-7.

The second half was a different story, it was all Scotus. In the fourth quarter the Shamrocks drove the ball down the field and added the score to 19-11.

After one last desperate attempt by Aurora faltered, time ran out, and the second round of the Class B State Playoffs ended with Scotus beating Aurora 19-11.

A day is not
wasted if a
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is made

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FOREIGN STUDENTS EXCHANGE IDEAS SENIOR EXCHANGE STUDENT

by Donna Schieffer

Didier Goarant, otherwise known as "D.J.," is the twelfth grade foreign exchange student from France. Talking with him, I found out a little about his background. D.J. is from Brittany, France with a population of 220,000. His family includes three sisters and his mother and father. D.J. likes it here because it is so different from France. He enjoys the people and the different activities. He said football was a good experience for him because it was new. He doesn't think he will participate in other sports at Scotus, but will be active in soccer, which is a popular sport in France. Didier enjoys playing volleyball and wind surfing. The entertainment in France is much like the U.S. there are movies, parties, concerts and get together. D.J. says in France

they have funky music and are getting into "New Wave". His favorite group is called, "Simple Minds". Families are stressed in France. Holidays are big occasions spent with the family, but New Years is a time to celebrate with friends. Many different foods are served where Didier lives. D.J. says he prefers French food over ours because more time is taken to prepare the food. In Brittany, fast food restaurants are not emphasized as much as in the U.S. Didier celebrated his birthday November 21, he is now 18. In France this would mean he could legally drink and drive, but not one after the other. After talking about families and cultures, D.J. was anxious to tell me about dating in France. Dating is much different in France, usually for a date they

will meet at a party or have each other over for tea. When having a girl over D.J. said he takes her to his room. In France what we call our bedroom, is called their room. In their room they have friends over to talk or have tea. D.J. said he couldn't understand why, before he came here they told him never to take a girl to his room, but now he does. D.J. said that in France relationships are very loose. He still cannot understand why people date the same person for such a long time at such a young age. He says, "I am free for the moment, I will get married later." There are many things to learn about our foreign exchange students. Take some time to talk to them. You might be surprised at what they have to say, I know I was!!

JUNIOR EXCHANGE STUDENT

by Patty Niedbalski

I recently talked with the junior foreign exchange student about her way of life and feelings about the United States. Her name is Katrin Reiner and she lives with the Hebda family, in Silver Creek. Her hometown is Wachenheim in Germany. Katrin has one sister, Julia Marie, age seven and a brother, Stephan, age eighteen. She recently celebrated her birthday on October 23rd. Katrin met the Hebda's in Germany before she came here, so she felt more comfortable about coming to the U.S.

Some interesting things about Germany are that the weather isn't so dramatic there. In the U.S. it goes from extreme heat to bitter cold before you know it. In Germany on December sixth, children put their shoes outside the doors and the next morning they are filled with candy from the "Christmas Man". On the eve of the twenty-fourth, Christmas is celebrated. Goose is the main course at the meal with Katrin and her family. Katrin's hometown is near a beautiful mountain range with a forest nearby. Wine is made nearby also. The food itself here in the U.S. is very different to Katrin. Katrin is used to a more formal way of eating every meal. Here we just eat to get full, not to

taste what goes down. Katrin misses the bread that is made at her home. Scotus is more of a unit that her German school. She says the uniform makes us look more united. Her school has about fourteen hundred students, so it is very passive. All the students in each grade have the same schedule. School is dismissed at one o'clock. The teachers at Scotus really love to spend extra time with students who need extra help. In her other school the teachers are the first ones to leave the building after school. Katrin felt that in Germany everyone is more themselves. They don't wear make-up, but they are clean and dress nice. In the U.S. it seems like everyone is competing with each other. New Wave is the recent type of music in Germany. Nina, the Bap, and the Trio are popular there. English music is played there and is said to have a nice beat. Katrin has made many friends here and feels comfortable with them. She says everyone is very nice to her and gives her little gifts and notes during the day. This really makes her feel special. The drinking age in Germany is sixteen and a teenage may get their driver's license when they are eighteen. The cost is three hundred dollars. Katrin has tra-

veled to many different places such as Spain, France, Italy, England, and Switzerland. Her hobbies include reading and talking with people and relaxing. She like to watch exciting sports like football and baseball. The attitude here is that you have to win. Soccer is the favorite sport that she likes. It's fun and exciting to watch and to play. After high school Katrin would like to work with children. She would like to study the soul not the body. Living on a farm now is very different then the way Katrin is use to living. It can sometimes be very lonely out there, but it's also very exciting. She likes to bake cookies, but can never realize how fast they disappear. Katrin stays on close touch with her family by calling and writing them. The letters are usually four to eight pages long. They also send slides and cassettes to each other. She really misses her family and I'm sure they miss her too. She told me when she talks to her family on the phone she usually begins to cry. Then the Hebda's come and hold her a comfort her. She loves that very much. I encourage you to find time to get to know these students from other countries. You can really learn some interesting things from them.

FLAG CORPS CHANGES TO DRILL TEAM

By Geri Hilger

The first Scotus Flag Corps ended their season at the November 16th Scotus state championship football game. For the up coming basketball season the Flag Corps has changed into a Drill Team. Under the direction of Mrs. Evelyn

Harrel, they have begun practice and look forward to the new activity. Mrs. Harrel directed a Drill Team for the Eagles for four years. She is directing the Scotus Drill Team on her free time, and she is very excited about the team. The drill team consists of 12

members and 2 alternates. A marching routine is performed to a drum cadence. Playing drums for the drill team is Tom Jackson. Various routines will be performed this year at girls' and boys' basketball games, throughout the season. The drill team is very excited and looking forward to performing.



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KATRIN AND DIDIER

MOCK TRIAL TAKES 3RD AT STATE

by Cindy Krause

The Scotus Mock Trial team finished third in the State competition held in Lincoln on November 23rd and 24th. Scotus was one of the eight teams to participate in the state tournament. There are now over 100 schools participating throughout the state.

The team left school Friday, November 23rd at 6:30 in the morning all bright-eyed and bushy-tailed. Upon arriving at the Lincoln City/County Building everyone's nerves were stirring but the anxiousness grew to greater heights when the team went to the door to get in and the door was locked. Eventually, after about five minutes of coldness (more like freezing) the door was opened and the team proceeded on to the third floor District Court Room Three.

The first Mock Trial competition was against Omaha Gross. Gross had a very good team but the Scotus team was excellent. The trials brought around many exciting challenges as the witnesses and the lawyers had to think quick in order to answer the questions brought forth. The performance judges did not give the result as to who had won because each team still had one trial to go before the results as to who would perform on Saturday would be given.

Scotus had to switch sides and become the petitioner. This is in no way an easy task to accomplish because the witnesses have to become an entirely different person and the lawyers have to ask a completely different set of questions and perform a different opening and closing statement. The team went up against Ogalla. This trial was extremely fun to participate in because it was the most exciting ever. Both sets of lawyers were exceptionally professional and both sets of witnesses were true-to-life.

Because of the team's performance in the two trials on Friday the team was able to move to the semifinals held on Saturday, November 24th. Scotus was seated in the top bracket against Sidney. This trial became rather heated as the teams battled to win. But, after a very close trial Sidney was declared the winner and moved on to the final round of competition. Eventually, Sidney became the state champs and will compete in the Nationals on May 10th and 11th.

The members of the Scotus team include: Lawyers - Cindy Krause, Daneele Pinger, and John Mielak; Witnesses - Stacey Torczon, Lori Cimpr, and Steve Merrill. The team was coached by Mr. Dennis Zowada and Columbus attorney Mr. Steve Hansen.

EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

ARE SENIORS TREATED LIKE RODNEY?

by Greg Jarecke
Dear Seniors have you ever been walking down the hall when a big younger underclassman runs into your kneecap? Then they look up and stare you in the eye, waiting for your apology. Well, this seems to be happening quite often this year and I'm beginning to get really scared of them. So, lately, when I have to go to class on the third floor I take protec-

tion, namely Bubba. Even though he has about a 150 pound weight advantage he too seems to get pushed and trampled in the hall. The Class of '85 oftens wonders if it will graduate in May, not sure if the younger underclassmen will let us. The best advice I can give the seniors is to just stay out of their way so you don't get hurt, and as "Rappin Rodney" says - "No respect! No respect!"

"85" IS COMING ALIVE

by Patty Niedbalski
The 1984 year is coming close to the end. It seems like yesterday we were celebrating the end of 1983. So far this year has gone super! Just to mention a few: the cross country teams went to state, the volleyball teams had a very successful year, the football team is the Class B champs, and the speech team is doing very well. Seniors are really starting to think about what they want to do after high school. On November 28th the seniors ordered gradua-

tion announcements and were measured for caps and gowns. We don't realize that after the Christmas Vacation, we only have about ninety days left of ole Scotus High. The new year is rolling in soon. 1985 will soon be seen and written on assignment papers and checks. The first semester exams are coming up on January 10th and 11th. The activity calendar is till full of exiting events so let's make the best of the rest of this year and continue it into the year that is coming alive - "1985".

DON'T BE A SCROOGE!

by Greg Jarecke
As the clock begins to strike midnight on Christmas Eve and all of the sudden while you are sitting in your La-Z-Boy recliner all of the electricity goes out and you're all alone in the dark. Then you hear "chunk-chunka-chunky" (no, it's not Kuta), it is actually the sounds of chains being dragged down the hall. As fear starts flowing through your body you begin to wish you would have bought your goofy little brother a Christmas gift. As the rattling chains come closer you decide you don't want to go on a trip like Ebenezer

Scrooge did, so you run outside before the ghost of past, present, and future can get to you. The n you jump into your car and drive to the nearest 24 hr. 7-Eleven and buy your little brother a gift with the rest of your life savings which is about \$1.23. But, decide it is worth it to splurge this time so you can at least go home. When you wake up the next morning you find you little brother overjoyed to find the three candy bars you bought him under the tree and this makes you say, "gosh! I'm glad I wasn't a tight wad." MORAL: Don't be an Ebenezer Scrooge.

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BRUCE BECOMES AN IDOL!!!

by Laurie Kennedy
When first looking at Bruce Springsteen I saw 155 pounds and five feet ten inches of scruffiness and ordinariness. But as I looked closer I saw a man full of love, talent and exuberance. His music is a vital example of all of these qualities.

When on stage, he does not attempt to separate himself from the audience, instead he tries to be a part of it. All of the other concerts I have been to, I can almost feel the barrier between the celebrity and us, the non-celebrities. This makes it so impersonal and detached. Where as, Bruce not only PERFORMS for the people, he RELATES to the people. He made us feel that we were a part of him, on the same level, and NOT inferior to

him. Bruce spoke of the emptiness he felt when he was thirteen and a friend came running up to him with the news of John Kennedy's assassination. When speaking of Elvis Presley he said that it is really sad to think that a man who saved so many people from their loneliness could end up so lonely himself.

Bruce gives so much happiness to so many through his music. It expresses the love and compassion he has for America and its people. His songs have tremendous depth and meaning - often about God, peace and faith. The most touching song for me was "Your Hometown." He told us that right now we may want out desperately, but in years to come we will realize that we love and have a responsibility to "our"

hometown. At the end of his second encore, "The Boss" said he had to know one thing before he could leave. The anticipating crowd waited for the question, "Do you love me?" and with all the fury of an exploding volcano, approximately 14,000 voice joined in to declare their love for him. Some may think he was on an ego trip, but anyone at the concert knows that when Bruce heard this, it simple made it all worthwhile. In conclusion, Bruce Springsteen is admired and adored by thousands, maybe even millions, of fans. He really loves what he is doing and proves it by expending all the energy he has throughout the course of his four hour concerts. Bruce's memory will remain in my mind forever.

JUNIORS COME TOGETHER

by Mark Love
The junior class held their junior retreat on November 14th in Platte Center. The head master of the retreat was Father Roe of David City Aquinas. Father Roe talked alot about the

different cliques in our class. The juniors acted out various scenes about different groups. When the juniors weren't in session they walked down the big streets of Platte Center to get something to drink. Father gave us different sheets

which we answered about ourselves to find out who we really are. The retreat ended with a mass and Father Roe, Father Wayne and Father Kramper acted as the celebrants.

"JUST SIT BACK AND RELAX!"

by Laurie Kennedy
Do these words sound familiar? I'm sure they do. Most any time you go to the dreaded dentist, you will hear these five comforting (?) words. In the meantime you're thinking, "drop dead." Sure, it's easy for them to say, they aren't on the receiving end of what appears to be a five inch needle.

I personally am the world's biggest chicken when it comes to dentists. I practically hyperventilate when I walk in the door. The last time I went to the dentist he took x-rays of my teeth first. I gave a sigh of relief thinking, "How painful can THAT be?" I sat down and he picked up this apron, which he then dropped on me. As the wind was gushing out of my lungs from the 50 pound apron, he jammed a Ironically, in the background I

little piece of plastic in my mouth. Relatively harmless, right? Wrong. How embarrassing! I felt like my cheek was protruding into the next room! After about 5 or 10 minutes he comes in and tells me I have a fairly large cavity in one of my upper left-had molars. This simply means I have a crater in one of my teeth. After I stopped whimpering, he put the gas mask over my nose. (For those brave people who don't know what this is - I'll explain. It's nitroxide or, better known as "laughing gas." It makes you feel as if you are floating in space. Unfortunately, you can still feel pain.) Now for the novacaine. The dentist tells you that there's going to be a little pinch - nothing major. I personally think it feels as if a bulldozer is ripping through my cheek.

can hear the Styx song "Best of Times." If these are the "best" of times who needs the worst? Next he puts the rubber dam in my mouth. This is merely a piece of rubber that occludes the tooth he is going to work on. This is not to mention the fact that it covers your nose which cuts of all breathing passages for approximately 40 minutes. Then he picks up the drill. As he starts to drill, you feel a slight sensation rocking through your mouth. Kind of like what a jack-hammer must feel like to cement. After the drilling you are home free. All that's left to do is to fill the crater. A feeling of relief washes over me as I walk out the door, only to have the dentist remind me to make an appointment to get my wisdom teeth pulled. (To be continued next month.)

JOURNALISM ADVENTURES THROUGH PASTE-UP

by Cindy Krause
Putting the newspaper together is a complicated puzzle-like process that Colleen Krzycki and myself must tackle each month. There are numerous occurrences that must accompany the production of the work of art that is brought forth from the Journalism room.

In preparing the newspaper, the first and foremost matter that must be dealt with is the writing of stories. Everyone must contribute at least one story in order that the newspaper will be successful. The entire Journalism staff must cooperate in this endeavor. The next rung on this ladder of production is the taking of the stories to the Pawnee Scout in

occ'r in the newspaper. Eventually, the stories and pictures are placed in the exact position where they will appear in the final copy. The stories are glued down with rubber cement so that they will not become detached when they are taken to the Telegram. Headlines are created and written down. The paper is ready to be taken to the Telegram for the printing of Scoticstics. The students receive their copy of Scoticstics but for Colleen and I the work is not complete. We must complete this process again and in a month have another paper for the eager students to read. Even though the paste-up is quite a bit of work it is still a task I enjoy very much.

order that they can typeset them. After the stories are complete they are picked up, brought back to school and cut apart. Then the paste-up may begin. To begin with, the masthead is laid down on the front page and the quote is chosen. The editors then lay the editorial outline on the second page. It is then time for the stories to be put on the pages where the editors would like them. Editorials are put inside the editorial outline. Sport stories are put on the fourth page which is dedicated to sports. Colleen and I decide which stories should be placed on the front page. We choose pictures that would be suitable with the stories that will



'Twas the Night Before Christmas

by Collen Krzycki

'Twas the night before the concert on the stage I sat, Not a creature was stirring not even a bat.

The decorations were hung on the curtains with care, in hopes that music would soon fill the air.

And I in my outfit and Mrs. Schnabel in her attire, Had just finished practice with concert choir.

When out in the gym there arose such a clatter I sprang from the piano to see what was the matter.

Away to the stairs I ran with horror, around the corner out onto the floor.

The spotlight on the surface of freshly laid sheets, gave a spooky appearance to one empty seat.

When what to my wondering ears did I hear, but a soft, quiet voice coming from the rear.

And then in a melody heard in the air, the rhythm and notes played with such care.

As I thought to myself and turned around, down the steps an angel came without sound.

From head to foot she was dressed all insatin as I kindly asked "what's hapnin'?"

A bundle of music was clenched in her hands, and she looked like a writer with one hundred demands.

A wink of her eye and a twist of her haed, Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.

She spoke not a word but went right to her work, And set up all the chairs then turned with a jerk.

And laying the bundle of music aside, and giving a smile she had nothing to hide.

As she flew out of sight with a twinkle in her eye, a vision of beauty disappeared into the sky.

CHANGES MADE IN THE CHAPEL

by Todd Peterson

During the Christmas season you might notice some changes in the Chapel. Father Wayne has made sure the Chapel looks just right for Christmas.

Purple is the dominant color in the Chapel. A Jesse tree is in the Chapel and there is a different type of Advent Wreath present. The wreath is made up of wood blocks and candles.

The Chapel walls are filled with different banners and words of importance. When you enter the Chapel the words "Peace to all who enter here and welcome" is visible.

Also, the Eucharistic Ministers' crosses and the processional cross with the blue mosaic tiles are being used.



WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO FIND IN YOUR LOCKER AT CHRISTMAS?

by Lisa Spencer and Collen Krzycki

Two journalism students wandered around the halls and took a survey on what people would like to find in their lockers for Christmas? Some of the replies were:

Geri Hilger - Teddy Bear (jim)
Michelle Sand - Anything
Michelle - 1985 Cadillac
El Dorado
Mrs. Jochum - New Cadillac
Mrs. Spenceri - Peace
Mr. Deluna - Million Dollars
Kari Haider - A BIG ONE
Amy Liebenritt - Bob Parolek
and Chris Miller
Donna Bernt - Bill Soulliere's Pony Tail

Jill Reiser - Steve George
Jeff Lassek - Semester Exam Answer Sheet
Lisa Spenceri - A Piece of Big Red
Colleen Krzycki - Only Kari Haider Knows
Traci Duren - Anything
Mrs. Pekarek - A REAL Yellow Convertible
Kim Pokorny - "Duke"
Lisa Prosocki - A Nebraska Football Kicker
Claudette Vrbka - #26
Marce - OM
Mark Love - Sheena Easton
Donna Schieffer - Maroon Convertible with a Chauffeur
Mrs. Bstandig - My Very Own Xerox Machine

The Journalism Staff - NEW TYPEWRITERS
Jeff Podraza - You Babes!
Tom VanBerg - She Won't Fit
Steve Rhode - 4 Taco John's Pencils
Jerry Zywiec - Skieret Catcher
Mike Ebner - 12 Old Windmills
Donna Bierman - Tom Select
Todd Bator - Prince or Ma Donna

'TIS THE SEASON TO BE JOLLY!!

Christmas season is right around the corner with the feeling of warmth and jolliness in me. I usually wake up on the first Sunday of December dressing up in my good clothes and my parents and I go to seven o'clock mass. After mass my family goes out for breakfast at the local Stack-n-Steak restaurant.

After breakfast we visit my uncle's farm to pick up our six foot bright green Christmas tree. Carrying the tree into the house by my Dad and I is always a difficult task, searching for a way to maneuver it through the door. While we were busy, Mom would be located in the storage room digging for the tree stand.

Having the tree finally set up in front of our living room picture window, Barb and Chris, my sisters, would search for the plastic andy canes, tree ornament bulbs and the star for the tip top of the tree. My Mom and I would untangle the lights from last year and replace the broken and burned out bulbs.

Decorating the tree is always a family affair with my sisters distributing the ornaments on the tree while I play Christmas songs on the stereo such as "O'

Christmas Tree" and "Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer" which is my favorite.

The tree is completely finished except for the bareness under the beautiful creation. With this in mind I realize it is time for Christmas shopping. So I strut downtown venturing into each store spending all my life savings (which is not all that great). Buying everyone a present in the family makes me feel warm inside, but warmer inside wondering how much they will spend on me (which I hope is alot).

With no vacancy left under the awesome Christmas tree it is completely finished with superb taste. Now the worst time lies in front of me with the waiting of curiosity rising in time. Shaking the packages side to side to guess what it is in store for me when I mob them on Christmas Eve.

The day before Christmas we go on our annual hunting trip at my Grandpa's farm west of Duncan. My brother, Bob, has to be the one who climbs all the barbed wire fence lines because I always want to get the shot off when the roosters get up while he is crossing.

Christmas Eve appears while my family watches television waiting on the arrival of my sister, Barb, and her husband, Tim and their son, Jason.

Jason, being the youngest, is first to start opening presents with everyone else taking turns ripping apart the wrapping paper to get the Christmas gift itself. Sitting around the tree we hear the sound of pitter patter on the house, jumping up and opening the door, to my surprise there was more presents.

Talking the last present inside, I heard a faint voice in the air, I could not make it out what it was saying as it disappeared into the night.

Nighttime came with my sister leaving for home and I put all my presents away to figure out how they work on Christmas Day. Dressing for bed in my new pajamas I kneel next to my bed for a prayer to thank everyone for the gifts they have given me hoping I make them feel just as good. Oh! one more person to thank for this jolly ole season and that is that merry ole manm, Saint Nic. I hope everyone has a warm-hearted Christmas.

Yours truly,
Pat Kuta

KARI CREATES A SNOWMAN

by Kari Haider

The traditional creation of a plump, jolly snowman is simple. The first requirement is a massive snowstorm. In order to stick together, the snow must be rather wet. A person attempting this feat is suggested to wear many clothes. Warm boots and fuzzy mittens are a necessity.

The first step in the actual preparation is to form a perfect ball. Then proceed by rolling the ball throughout the snow until it can no longer be pushed. This technique is repeated until there is a total of three fluffy, well-

formed snowballs. Each ball must be slightly smaller than the last.

The hardest part of building the perfect snowman is constructing the body. The middle sized creation should be lifted and placed on the base. It can be mounted by squeezing snow where the body parts meet. The head is then placed on top of the other two spheres. Now the masterpiece is ready for the final touches.

The final step os to create an individual personality for the snowman. Arma can be made

from an old broom stick. Black charcoal might be placed together to form a mouth and the eyes. The traditional snowman contains a garden-fresh carrot to form the nose. To top off the work of art an unusual hat is required.

In conclusion the final results of constructing a snowman are rewarding. The unique creature circulates the holiday spirit to all those who view it. A feeling of joy and happiness is present in the air. The snowman soon begins to melt away but the creator is marked with a sensational feeling throughout the holiday season.

A SHOPPING WE WILL GO!!!

by Jeff Lassek

The pain, agony and bankruptcy of Christmas shopping, we have all experienced some sort of feeling about it.

Yes, it's that time again, when families and friends put names in a hat and pick another person's name out. The name drawn is the person you buy a present for.

Uptown all the stores are jampacked as they stay open to the late evening hours. You can

see everyone uptown as they are buying presents for family members, friends and some unlucky fellas have to spend a little extra money on buying something for their honies. (right Marciel).

One thing that has people limiting their presents is the cost of them. The prices are getting a little outrageous lately. This is because of the national debt and rising interest rates as inflation isn't decreasing. If it stalemated

at 13.7 percent. Some people though are fortunate enough and go to the folks and ask them for shopping money. (names will be withheld).

I guess one good thing about buying other people presents is that it gives you a good feeling of satisfaction as this is a season of giving rather than receiving. So go to the bank to withdraw a little money out and be a good little child.



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JEFF AND TODD KNOW WHO'S #1

WE'VE ONLY JUST BEGUN

by Lisa Spenceri

The time has come to drag out those rugged basketball shoes and start getting in shape for the season ahead. Well that is what this year's girls' basketball team has done.

The season's first practice started November 7th, with a turnout of 24 girls, freshmen through senior. The Shamrocks are lead by three seniors: Karen Tooley, Lisa Prosocki, and Lisa

Spenceri. As these seniors participate in their last season, they hope to have a very successful and exciting year.

The Shamrock girls were rated 8th in the pre-season polls. This high mark gives the team something to work for, with the chance to show everyone how competitive they really are. The season started off on November 29th with a home game against Aurora.

WHAT IS A SQUAD LEADER?

by Patty Niedbalski

What is a Squad Leader?

I'm sure many of you have not heard of these before, but they are a very important part of the Pep Club. Squad leaders have about five to six girls in their squad, and are to keep track of those girls points throughout the year. The girls in Pep Club get points for everything they do. For example, they get ten points for each home game and twenty points for each away game they attend and cheer at. They also receive ten points for each quarter they work in concessions and fifteen points for each poster party they attend, and so on. The Pep Club members are really good about volunteering to help the sponsors or officers.

Squad leaders are to keep their sheets accurate and up to date. There are special meetings to help them, about every two

weeks. It may not seem to be a very big job, but it is an honor. Every two-hundred points each girl earns she receives a "bar". At the end of each year the girl with the most points in each class receives a "star" pin. Cheerleaders receive a pin with a cheerleader on it. Squad leaders receive a "pep" pin plus fifty points for the work they did during the year.

Squad leaders this year are: Jodi Cutsor, Lisa Cioelocha, Laurie Cimpl, Wendy Nicolas, Lori Brdicko, Diane Zornes, Lori Sokal, Carrie Staroscik, Renada Haider, Ann Bernt, Amy Hefti, Kris Klopniecki, Robin Hamling, Kelly Rinkol, Marin Melcher, Traci Tworek, Sharon Dobish, Sara Whitehead, Mary Fehring-er, Sara Sojka, Jenny Lassek, and Jodi Peterson. Keep up the good work!!

WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS!

by Todd Peterson

Yes, it's true, the Scotus Shamrocks are the Class B State Champions. Finally after all these years the Shamrocks came through and it really feels good.

It's been an extra long season but one that was certainly worth waiting for. Scotus had never made it to the state playoffs until this year, but when their turn did come it was decided they were going all the way.

It started off on October 31, the first round of state high school football playoffs, the Shamrocks downed Wood River 12-6. Then it was off to Aurora where the

Shamrocks did away with the Huskies in quarter final action. The next week the home town crowd saw a real thriller with Omaha Roncalli, but the Shamrocks came out on top 15-14.

Then it was the state championship game with the Gothenburg Swedes. The game started out rather slow, it was mostly a defensive show. But late in the second quarter the Shamrocks capped a long drive with a Jeff Podraza field goal. The half ended and it was 3-0 Scotus.

The second half began and on came the Shamrock offense, within just a few minutes the

Rocks were down deep in Swede country. Then it was Scotus' Keith Neal around the end for six points. Podraza's extra point was good and it was 10-0 Scotus.

The game was over now and the Shamrocks had won it right? No, wrong! The Swedes came back with a strong passing attack and scored on a thirty yard pass and it was 10-6.

Late in the fourth quarter the Swedes came right back at the Shamrocks, but with only about a minute left Rick Bogus intercepted a pass to sew up the State Championship.

THE THRILL OF VICTORY!!

by Todd Duren

Fans pulled in from all cities of Nebraska to watch this sensational event. The weather was rather chilly and the wind was exceptionally brisk, but the die-hard fans did not even seem to need a coat. The roar of the fans as they did the traditional wave was something I will never forget. Enthusiasm and excitement filled the body of each and every individual on the Scotus Football team, including my own, as we ran onto the field for the semifinals of the state playoffs.

As the national anthem was played by the Scotus band my heart beat increased immensely. I stood with my helmet under my right arm and a football in my left hand. As the song was performed my stomach felt as if it were full of fevered butterflies. My legs eemed as if they were shaking with anxious nervousness, but I was very intense and ready to play.

This game would seem to be the most important game of my life, and the feelings I had inside told me so. We received the kick so we would be on offense first. I ran onto the field to meet the rest of the high scoring offense we have had this year. As the huddle formed I thought back to what the coach had told me would be the first play. I looked into the huddle and saw ten other eager beavers. The team was ready to go. I

called the play very clear so everyone could hear, and then we broke the huddle and ran up to the ball. Then came the first snap, I grabbed it, turned and gave it to Keith, he jetted off the right side and made eight yards. I was no longer nervous, but rather wanted the ball, and wanted to execute our somewhat complicated plays.

The two teams alternated possessions a few times before we would get a chance to score. Now I was really getting into the game and seemed as if we were really going to do it. Coach Puetz sent in a play; this was my big chance to become a star. It was going to be a bomb pass. I intensely got the ball and dropped back to look for my receiver. Out in front of everyone was where I would spot this speedy guy. The ball flew from my hand as if it were attracted by an enormous magnet. It felt great as it left my hand. The crowd and I watched with great anxiety as Karl pulled it in and scored the first touchdown. Everyone roared with tremendous excitement as went ahead, seven to zero.

The time ran out in the first half and we were ahead. But for some odd reason I knew we would need to score more. In the locker room I was very excited, intense and ready to listen to the minor adjustments the coaches had to give us. As half time came to an

end; and we ran back on to the field I had a feeling of true success. I knew we were going to win one way or another. I stood on the sidelines yelling encouragement to my ready-to-go teammates.

The two teams alternated scores, we were now ahead, fourteen to seven with only a bare amount of time remaining in this ever so important game. Roncalli had the ball and were driving down the field. Since I could only play offense I was on the sidelines, giving as much encouragement as I could. My legs wer shaking with the fear of losing the game. If we would lose I would never put on this Scotus uniform, which I am so proud to wear, again. The clock slowly cljcked down to five seconds away from a dream come true. With no time on the clock they scored by a pass. We were now ahead by a mere point. Would this be enough?

In the end this small difference would prove to be more than enough. We stopped their quarterback just short of the two point conversion. I looked up to the clock and it read no time left, we had won this nerve racking game. It was an experience of my lifetime that I will long remember. I thanked God, and asked him to help us one more time next week.

SHAMROCKS CONTINUE WINNING WAYS

By Mark Love

Scotus began right where they left off, on the winning track. The Shamrocks opened the 84-85 season with an impressive 51-37 victory over Boystown on November 30.

The Shamrocks used a combination of a good defense and a potent offense.

The Shamrocks have lots of

depth this year with about ten players seeing considerable action.

The first quarter was even at 8-8, but the Shamrocks pulled away by 7 at the half and 9 by the end of the third quarter.

Jeff Podraza, Karl Hroza and Mike Ernst led the team with 8 points apiece.

Podraza and Ernst also led the team in rebounds with 6 each.

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two ways of
spreading light:
To be the candle,
or the mirror
that reflects it.
Edith Wharton

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GIRLS:

Donna Bernt is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bernt. Donna has actively participated in Pep Club for 4 years and music for 3 years. She has also been involved in Spanish Club and volleyball.

Michelle Bruner is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bruner. She has been actively involved in Campus Ministry and Pep Club for 4 years, and in Spanish Club 3 years. She was the Spanish Club President and Student Council treasurer her junior year. She has been on the Honor Roll for 4 years and is a recipient of the Hagh O'Brian Youth Foundation Award.

Jodi Cutsor is the daughter of Joann Cutsor and the late Jack Cutsor. Jodi is a four-year member of the speech team and a two year member of Thespians. She participated in three school plays, was voted best supporting actress in 1983, and was also in the one act play competition. Jodi was a volleyball manager her freshman year and also was a two-year member of the Spanish Club. She has participated in music for four years and received a letter. Jodi is in F.B.L.A. and is a four-year member of pep club, serving as squad leader for two years. She is also involved in the Campus Ministry program, and she is the senior music representative.

Kelly Votava is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Votava. Kelly has been an active member of the Spanish Club serving as treasurer her freshman, sophomore, and junior year. She participated in track and cross country her sophomore and junior year, and received letters in both sports. She was in Pep Club three years, serving as vice-president her junior year. Kelly is a member of the National Honor Society, S-Club, and F.B.L.A. She is participating in music and is a two-year member of student council. Kelly is also involved in the Drill Team, Campus Ministry, and she's been on "A" Honor Roll for 4 years.

Theresa Weiland is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Weiland. Theresa has participated in band, music, and Spanish Club. She has been an active member of F.B.L.A. for three years, and served as reporter and secretary for the club. She was inducted into the National Honor Society her senior year and has been involved in Pep Club for three years. Theresa has also participated in track. She has been on honor roll for 4 years and she is a three year member of Campus Ministry. Theresa went to the Wayne Math Day for three years and she is presently on the Drill Team.

BOYS:

Todd Bator is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bator. He has participated in basketball, track and cross country. He lettered in Cross Country. He was a member of the German Club for 2 years, and was treasurer of the art club last year.

Greg Jarecke is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Jarecke. Greg was in football for four years and track for three years. He received a letter in football. He is a two-year member of S-Club and Squires. Greg has also been involved in music and basketball. Greg is a member of the annual staff and SCOTISTICS.

Todd Jarecke is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Jarecke. He has been involved in football and track for 3 years. He has also been a member of S-Club for 3 years. For the last 2 years he has been on the All Area and All Conference football teams, and has been on the All State football team 1 year.

Todd Peterson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marv Peterson. Todd was in football for four years and also in track for three years, receiving a letter in both sports. He is a three-year member of the S-Club, and is also in music and F.B.L.A. Todd is on the annual staff this year and also is involved with SCOTISTICS.

Paul Shotkoski is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Shotkoski. He has been active in music for four years and is a two-year member of S-Club. Paul has been involved in football for four years and track for three years. He has also participated in basketball.



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KING PAT, QUEEN KAREN

Pat Kuta is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kuta. He has participated in football for 2 years and has been a member of S-Club for 3 years. He is a 2 year

member of F.B.L.A., and has worked on both the annual staff and SCOTISTICS. He was a class officer for 3 years holding the positions of treasurer, secretary and vice president.

Karen Tooley is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tooley. Karen has lettered in track, volleyball and basketball. She has participated in all 3 sports for 4 years. Karen was a member of Pep Club and Spanish Club for 3 years and participated in Band and Music for 2 years. She has been in

National Honor Society for 3 years and was secretary her junior year and vice president her senior year. She was also a member of S-Club for 3 years and is presently vice president. She is a member of the student council and is currently treasurer.

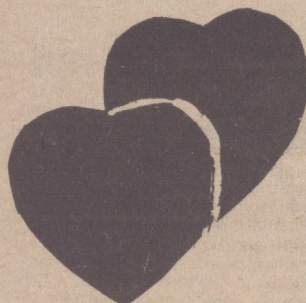
CAMPUS MINISTRY CELEBRATES LIFE

by Colleen Krzycki

January 14 - 22 was Celebrate Life Week. The Campus Ministry Team started the celebration by decorating the senior high lockers. Celebrate Life Week was a celebration of every aspect of life. During the week of celebration, different groups of people such as, the handicapp, lonely, sick, and the poor prayed at the morning masses in the chapel. The Campus Ministry Team has been decorating the chapel for

every liturgical season. Father Wayne said, "It is to help us to enhance our stle of prayer."

January continues the Christmas season. Therefore, the emphasis is placed on the crib scene - the child of Jesus. The Campus Ministry Team used the colors of white and gold for this season. Candles, poinsettias, banners of white and gold, and different quotes in white letters were also used in the decorations.



EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

ARE THERE BURIED SPIRITS AT SCOTUS?

By Patty Niedbalski

In 1983 these were two articles in the SCOTISTICS titled "TOTALLY AWESOME SPIRIT" and "SPIRIT: WILL IT LAST?"

"TOTALLY AWESOME SPIRIT" was written after the championship game of the Boys' District Basketball Tournament. It stated that even though the team didn't make it to state, the fans were "Awesome". The Pep Club, student body, parents, and other fans were there supporting our school. It seemed that everyone was into the game. Spirit really filled the air around Scotus then.

As a follow-up, these was an article titled "SPIRIT: WILL IT LAST?" It stated that the spirit at Scotus was slowly diminishing.

It was questioning the "new rule" that says students are not allowed to wear costumes or any type of "unnatural" things to create spirit.

I'm sure if any team member were asked if they would like to play in an empty gymnasium or a full one, about 9 out of 10 would say a full one. It really means a lot to a player to have many fans there watching them and sup-

porting them. No matter if the team wins or loses, they feel the fans really care.

Scotus has changed some rules about creating spirit, but is spirit really being buried? Since these articles were written Scotus had added a Pep Band which plays at most of the home games. The band play a variety of songs and has made our Scotus Fight Song really come alive. Along with the band there is the flag corps and drill team. This is the year for this organization. Both groups work long hard hours to make each performance the best it can be.

The pep club cheers at the football and basketball games. There is always a bus load of members that ride down to each away game. The pep club has grown considerably each year. This year there are 126 members along with two new sponsors, Mrs. Mable Pekorek and Mrs. Jan Went.

The rest of the student body gets involved by screaming, cheering, and just showing up for the school activity. Even though they don't have painted faces or trench coats, the "SPIRIT" is in the sky.

FUTURE PLANS CONFUSE SENIORS!

by Donna Schieffer

The school year is half way over and now is the time seniors are to make definite plans for the future.

The questions pile up. Where will I go to school? Should I apply for scholarships? Do I have enough money? And, answers are hard to find.

For some, this is a very exciting time. All plans are already made, schools are picked, and everything is squared away.

But, for other it is a very confusing and often depressing time. Parents and teachers

pressure for high achievements and decisions, not to mention the inner stressful feelings for quick decisions and pressure from oneself.

There are many roads to choose when leaving high school. Some go on to higher education, get a job, work, and marry.

Letting things go will not solve any problems or make decisions any easier. This is one case where time will not be an advantage. Take a little time and figure out what to do. The decision made may change your life.

Everyone wants to be happy and have fun at what they are doing, but now is the time when some of those fun times have to be sacrificed for work.

Try not to wait and let things slip by, take some action and responsibility. Remember it is your future and a little time makes a lot of difference.

IT SEEMS LIKE YESTERDAY

by: Mark Love

I can't believe the school year is half over. It just seems like yesterday we were at orientation.

Every year I think the school year will go by so slow, but the next thing you know the seniors will be saying their good-byes. The juniors will be seniors, and it will all seem like a dream.

But instead of wishing you could do it all over again, look ahead to

the future and make the best of it.

The seniors still have a lot of good times ahead and we, as juniors, should take advantage of the time we still have.

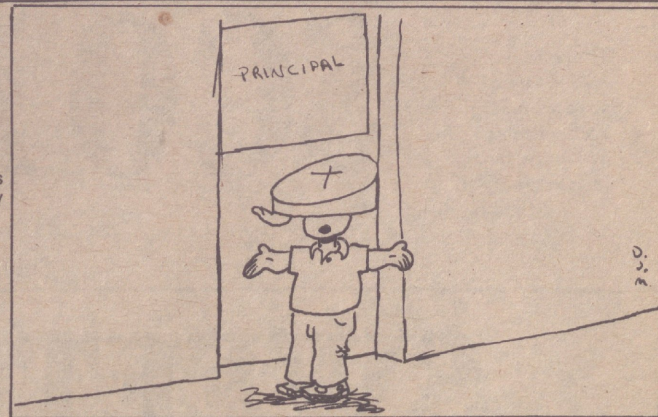
So when you say, "I hate school," or "I can't wait till it's over," just think about what you are saying. Because, I bet you won't be saying it a year from now.

STUDENTS PRESENT RESOLUTIONS

by Pat Kuta

Some students here at Scotus set New Year Resolutions. They are:

- Todd Duren-Chewing my fingernails
- Paul Shotkoski - to lose 1 pound
- Jeanne Jarecke - to give up chocolate
- Amy Iossi - not to bite my fingernails
- Jodi Cutsor - start doing my homework
- Jackie Buettner - not to eat
- Jeff Podraza - to help Mike Ebner with his twelve old windmills
- Mark Love - not to chew Todd Durens fingernails either
- Rhonda Gonka - to get ROBBED
- Michelle Kubler - to quit eating
- Doug VanDyke - to teach Rhode how to drive through ditches
- Greg Jarecke - to beat Paul Shotkoski and lost 2 pounds
- Todd Peterson - to not use the word "HOT"
- Jeff Lassek - to stop rolling my eyes
- Patty Niedbalski - Cut down on visits to T.J.'s
- Steve Bonk - try to cut it down to "5"
- Pat Kuta - to make sure Todd P. does not use the word "HOT"
- Carolyn Bonk - stop kicking Steve Lori Arlt - to watch Peanuts every Saturday



I DON'T FEEL LATE!!!

THESPIANS INITIATE MEMBERS

by Cindy Krause

During the week of December 10 - 14, 11 students did not feel like coming to school. They didn't want to come to school because this was the week that they were being initiated into Thespians.

On Monday of this week the initiates were instructed to repeat the Thespian motto every time that they saw an old member. Tuesday the initiates had their faces painted with the colors of Thespians, blue and gold. Also, on this day the initiates gave a presentation to the upperclassmen on the Fine Arts Program at Scotus. Wednesday the students had to read a little information

about Thespians over the intercom. Thursday was the day in which the initiates were characters. They were each assigned a type of a person to be and had to wear the items that they were told to bring. On Friday the old members and the initiates dressed up and after school was the initiation ceremony.

The Thespians have many activities planned for the rest of the year. Some of these include a dinner theater, seeing a play at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, and performing skits at Mory's Haven or the Columbus Manor.

ANOTHER VISIT TO THE DENTIST OFFICE; JUST SIT BACK AND RELAX!!

by Laurie Kennedy

Yes, I'm back once again to share my perilous ventures of pain and agony. To pick up where I left off last month -- I had just stepped out of the dentist's office, my spirits high and my mouth full of novacaine, when the dear doctor reminded me of my appointment with the beloved oral surgeon in Norfolk. My spirits plummeted to the pits of the earth within a matter of seconds!

On my way home I kept thinking, "There must be SOME reason why God blessed me with soft, cavity-prone teeth." So far, I haven't come up with a logical reason for that one. Oh well, back to the story. Two weeks later Mom, Dad, and I piled into "peagreen" and headed for Norfolk. I was pretty relaxed on

the way down, as a matter of fact, I was so relaxed I was asleep. When we got to his office I started to get a little nervous, but then I thought, "No big deal -- a mere four teeth are going to be yanked out of my mouth within a matter of minutes."

With this comforting thought in mind Mom and Dad hauled me to his office. After Dr. Smith explained the situation to me, (Sorry kid, they have to go.) they went to work. Since I'm such a chicken, they put me to sleep. When they game me the shot they told me to count backwards from 100. They told me later it took quick effect - I was out like a light after 99. (Some stamina, huh?) Oh well, so I'm a wimp. Before they knocked me out I thought to myself, "If God wanted me to have 4 more teeth, the least he could have done was

to leave a little bit more room.)

When I finally came to, I was minus 4 teeth and plus the latest in "chimplunk cheeks" fashion. (But at the age of 13, "beauty before pain" didn't mean a whole lot, however, the blood gushing out of the 4 holes in my head was another story.)

After my Dad scraped my off the sidewalk by the car, (I passed out) we headed for home. I didn't do anything but sleep the rest of that day, but the next day turned out to be a fun one. Every time I sucked in air that day, it was a new adventure in pain.

But overall it wasn't THAT bad. So for all of you looking forward to this fun-filled experience, take my advice -- don't go alone -- after all who's going to scrape you off the sidewalk if you go alone?

PRIDE IS SHOWN IN MANY WAYS!

By Geri Hilger

Pride is feeling of self-respect and the gratification of one's own personal achievements. Pride is an expression that can be felt in the heart, seen in the eyes of others, and heard by many.

Pride in the heart can be achieved from one's personal achievements. For example, when a task has been completed with great effort, pride arises from this effort. Once one has shown to one's self his ability, a special pride stays in the heart. Evertime a condition arises, pride is brought out and is used

to do the very best one can do. This pride is not seen by others but another special pride can be.

Pride in the external portion of our life can be seen by many. For example, school spirit in students is shown through pride. When representing a school at a sports activity, parade or contest, pride is shown in the school. By participating in these activities, is showing to others that pride is taken in the school. Many people can see this type of pride but also a type of pride can be voiced.

A Feeling of pride can be voiced throughout a crowd. For exam-

ple, when a specific subject is challenged by others one stands up for what he believes because one takes pride in his beliefs. Many times the pride is so strong in the belief that one little challenge will not effect it. Pride is a strong feeling that can be achieved by having self-respect for yourself.

Pride can be shown in action, heard by voicing a belief, and fit in the heart. Pride is a special feeling that can make one feel as if one can conquer the world. Pride can only be achieved by believing in one's own self.

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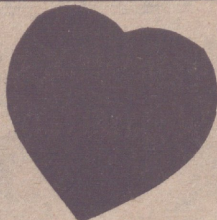
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HEARTS BEGIN TO SHOW THEIR FEELINGS



Valentine's Day on February 14 is a very affectionate way of showing people your love for them. I like to start with buying Valentine cards for all my friends, then writing messages on them like "Thanks for putting up with me and being my friend."

My parents mean something special to me, even though sometimes I become angry with their decisions, overall I love them dearly. So stroll downtown through all the drugstores, trying to pick out the best looking heart-shaped box with the best tasting chocolate.

Receiving other Valentine cards is also very meaningful to me, because I feel warm inside with the thought of someone caring for me. People should express their feelings for their loved ones without have the fear of embarrassment in them.

Valentine's Day is not just for girl friends, parents, but for grandparents too. My grandmas Antonia Kuta gives me a phone call when I come home from school to tell me she has a surprise for me, but I always know its a big box of candy, (Just when I'm trying to lose weight, "gee thanks Grandma") and I give her a great big hug and tell

her "Thanks".

I have always had special dreams when Valentine's Day rolls around. One special one was when I really liked this awesome girl and she sent me a huge chocolate heart that became alive and hugged me to death. Dreams like these I hope everyone experiences, maybe some will come true when you have that special one in mind. So ladies and gentlemen do not be stingy this Valentine's Day (right Paul) and show your affection.

Heartfully yours,

Pat Kuta

IF IT'S TOO LOUD, YOU ARE TO OLD!!

Concert Review by: Mark Love

December 27, will be a night that will live in the minds of many who attended the KISS concert.

The crowd was screaming and anxiously awaiting the arrival of one of the hottest bands of all times.

The lights went off and the crowd went crazy. Smoke appeared and the sound of a guitar in the background kept getting louder.

As the smoke cleared, four men appeared in the background standing with their arms raised in power.

As the guitar got louder you

could tell it was the beginning of Detroit Rock City. The concert had begun!

The concert didn't feature a spectacular light show or lazors or smoke like other concerts do. It just featured good old rock'n roll.

As the concert went on the music got louder and better.

Paul Stanley told a little story about what to tell people when they tell you KISS stinks. Well, for you KISS fans out there just keep on rockin, and you know what to tell all the Duran Duran and Thompson Twin fans.

And one more thing, always Love It Loud !!!

MEMORIES OF FRIENDS WILL NEVER END!

by Karen Tooley

Friendship is a feeling between people that binds them in a special way through their liking and respect for one another. Friendship consists of love, trust, and support.

Friendship is based on many different aspects. Deep respect and acceptance fall into this particular category. Building a friendship requires total belief in the character of an individual. Friendship involves accepting a person for who they are, their concepts about life, and their strong moral values.

Friendship is sustained through the art of listening. Listening and the readiness to support are qualities required to make a lasting and special friendship. True friends are willing to endure

the troublesome times as well as enjoy the pleasant times together. Friendship is supported through the mutual sharing of strengths and weaknesses.

Friendship can be either a difficult or fairly easy relationship to build. A friendship may begin between two people who do not get along at first but gradually get to know each other and become close. While, on the other hand, two people, who share common interests, may become close after a very short time. Regardless, building a friendship takes much dedication on the part of both people.

Friendship improves our happiness and nourishes and sustains us. Therefore, friendship is not just a mood but an important and vital part of life.

SISTER FRANCIS COUNSELS CONTINUALLY

By Lisa Spencer

The counseling department at Scotus has been proven to be very educational and helpful to the students. Sr. Francis is currently head of the counseling department. This is her seventh year at Scotus. Sister served as a teacher for her first four years and a counselor the next three.

Sister Francis graduated from Creighton and has currently taken four extra classes in the summer. She has a master's degree in counseling. She enjoys her field and prefers counseling over teaching. The structure of working with the kids' different actions gives her a different atmosphere. Sometimes counseling tends to be more time consuming and more frustrating, but it makes her feel like she has accomplished something when she has helped someone.

In counseling she helps people with personal and family problems that they may need help with. Sister has also been a big help for seniors in solving their problems and questions they may have about their future plans.

She works with seniors on financial aid and scholarships.

Counseling is a job that sometimes contains long hours. Being the only counselor at Scotus is hard for Sister Francis to satisfy everyone's needs. Sometimes she wishes she had an assistant so that she could get more accomplished in less time.

"But, working at Scotus is very enjoyable," said Sister Francis. And this being her first job in counseling gives her more positive thoughts for the future. She likes the atmosphere and the positive support of the teachers and administration. At Scotus the school is large enough where she can be personally involved with the activities, therefore she knows and understands the students better. The environment is very healthy to be in.

When counseling, Sister tries to help the students to be more aware of the different ways to solve their problems. She gives them the feeling of security when they need someone to talk to. Helping someone find and answer to a question that has

been bothering them for awhile could brighten their day and add a smile to their life.

Another part of counseling is the Career Exploration Unit. This is a unit that the sophomores are involved in. It gives the students a chance to figure credit hours and decide what they want to do in the future. By the sophomore year students should begin to realize how important their future career is and how many job choices there are.

Seniors are involved in college studies. This involves figuring financial costs, classes, and graduating requirements. Through working with Sister Francis on the ACT, SRA and PSAT the students prepare themselves for college.

Sister Francis commented on the students and staff at Scotus by saying, "I really think we have a fine group of students and a caring staff so this makes my work easier." Another comment made by Sister was that she hopes anyone who wants someone to talk to would feel free to visit her or any other staff member whenever needed.

BUSINESS DEPARTMENT IS ALWAYS BUSY!

By Todd Peterson

As you probably already know the business department has experienced some changes in personnel. Mr. Leon Portrey is one of those new people, and he is the head of the business departments this year. I asked him some questions about the business department.

There are seven business classes here at Scotus this year. They are: General Business, Accounting I and Accounting II, Office Procedures, Typing I and Typing II and Business Law.

General business is an introduction to the business world and its workings, it is taught by Mr. Henry Deluna. Accounting I and II are classes on the basics of accounting an are taught by Mr. Portrey. Office

procedures, also taught by Mr. Portrey, is a class to orientate the students to an office like surrounding and the operations of modern day office equipment. The last two classes in the business department are taught by another new person here at Scotus, Mrs. Jan Went. These classes are Typing I and Typing II an introduction to the basics of typing.

Mr. Portrey feels that the business aspect of a students learning is an important one. He said "You can readily use what you learn here on the outside where you need it."

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) is an organization designed to prepare the student for the business world. This is a very active and growing business club here at Scotus.

This club sponsored by Mrs. Went and Mr. Portrey. The group puts on dances and has fund raisers and other activities in the school.

The business field is a good one to get involved with. Even if students are planning to go into something else, a business background always is always there to fall back on if they so desire.

Mr. Portrey also pointed out the fact that there are good jobs out there for good qualified people looking for work in the business profession especially those with a strong computer background. This is very important to remember, especially for a senior who is not quite sure what he or she wants to go into after graduation.

GERMAN STUDENTS EXPERIENCE GERMAN PLAY

by Geri Hilger

The German classes at Scotus traveled to Omaha to attend the production of "DER TALISMANN" a German English play.

They arrived in Omaha and attended the play in Boystown Auditorium. After the play they drove into Omaha and walked through the Old Market. The day ended with supper at Spaghetti

works in the Old Market.

Miss Jeanie Kiser chaperoned 50 German students from all three classes on the outing. The students commented, "It was fun and interesting to watch a play in German and then in English."

In the upcoming months the Foreign Language Olympics will be held. This consists of a contest between Spanish and German students in various sports.

NHS BRINGS CHRISTMAS CHEER TO THE ELDERLY

by Laurie Kennedy

The National Honor Society service project over Christmas was December 16. About 30 National Honor Society students put on their winter coats and gloves to bear the cold winter season to go sing Christmas carols to the elderly.

The students, sponsored by Mrs. Brozovsky, visited approximately 18 homes (6 from each parish) and gave the senior citizens goody bags filled with fruit and nuts. Several of the senior citizens wanted to make

contributions to the National Honor Society, but Mrs. Brozovsky told them that this was National Honor Society's gift to them. However, one woman insisted that they take five dollars. Another individual sent a donation to the school.

The people really enjoyed it and one woman said that up until that moment she had dreaded the coming of Christmas, but now she was looking forward to it. For the students it was well worth bearing the cold temperature to bring a little joy to the elderly of the community.

SHAMROCK BASKETBALL AT ITS BEST



GIRLS' BASKETBALL

by Lisa Spenceri

The Shamrock girls have met up to their pre-season 7th place ranking and have been ranked 2nd in the state. The Shamrocks, with their scoring explosion offense and potent defense, have impressed many of the fans. The Shamrock girls won 7 consecutive games in a row until Wahoo Nuemann's gave them a 7-1 record.

The Shamrock girls recently participated in a Round-Robin Holiday Tournament. The Shamrocks advanced to the finals by rolling over Hooper Loganview with a 69-42 victory. This meant that the Shamrocks would face their cross town rival, Lakeview. The stands were full of fans from both teams. As the opening tip was up, a ring of fans were clustering over the gymnasium. The Shamrocks came out

victorious, with a respectable first place finish.

The Shamrocks traveled to Wahoo Nuemann and experienced their first loss. The Shamrocks played a tough game with the CAvailiers, but the luck was just not with the Irish that night. This dropped the Shamrocks to a 7-1 record. The Shamrocks also lost to Central City by a one point decision. This brought their record to 7-2.



BOYS' BASKETBALL

by Jeff Lassek

The boys' basketball team after a fast start of 4 wins in a row, had some bad luck come their way when they lost 5 in a row. The Shamrocks ended their losing skid by beating Norfolk Catholic 53-50 at home.

After a 73 point outburst against Omaha St. Joseph's. The Rocks offense started to find a cover over their baskets as a lack of

offense was the cause to the Shamrock catastrophes. As the Rocks were having problems getting over 40 points in their 5 losses. A stingy defense though kept the boys in all the games till the very end. Other things hurting them also were turnovers, rebounding, and poor free throw shooting. The players have been given a super effort all the time.

The Shamrocks were waiting to get back home and hope that luck

would turn their way. With the help of the student body, and pep club, they ended their losing streak by playing a good, but not a sharp game against Norfolk Catholic. In that game the Rocks were led by Matt Jilek's 15 points and Jeef Podraza's 12 rebounds.

Now the Shamrocks are working in practice to improve themselves and prepare for the weekend games ahead. So that come district time the ball and luck will be bouncing their way.

I.B.A. IS HEATING UP!

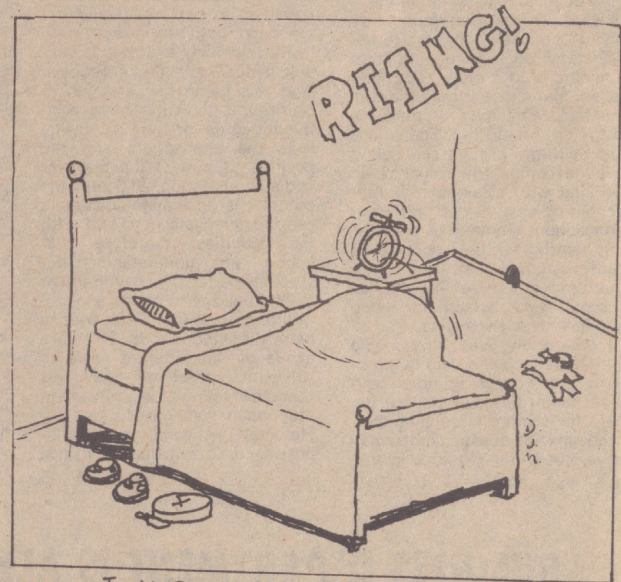
by: Greg Jarecke

The Intramural Basketball Association is once again under the direction of Fr. Wayne Pavela. This year there are seven teams with 53 students participating. The I.B.A. teams are very well matched this year and each team poses to be tough competition.

So far this season Rick Bogus' team posts the best record as they are the only undefeated team remaining as they are 2-0. Mark Kring's team has the second best record at 2-1. Next comes Bill Soulliere and Doug Demuth's teams as they stand 1-1. In a three way tie for 5th place are three teams with a record of 1-2, they are: Greg

Jarecke's team, Toda Peterson's team, and Todd Bator's team.

This year's dues for the I.B.A. are \$5.00 and so far this season the students have shown good sportsmanship. The 2nd half of the season looks to be an exciting one and all are invited to watch the games as they are played on Sunday at 6:00, 7:00, and 8:00 in the old gym



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There are two ways
of spreading light;
to be the candle,
or the light that
reflects it.

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MR. MAHONEY APPLIES TO GO UP IN SPACE!!!

By: Cindy Krause

If you have been hearing rumors about Mr. Mahoney wanting to go up in space, believe them, they're true. One evening while watching the news, he heard of an offer that would enable him to be the first teacher to go up in a space shuttle. He sent for an application and when he received it, filled it out.

He said that they wanted general background, essay questions; which included why you wanted to go in a space shuttle, his community involvement, his ed-

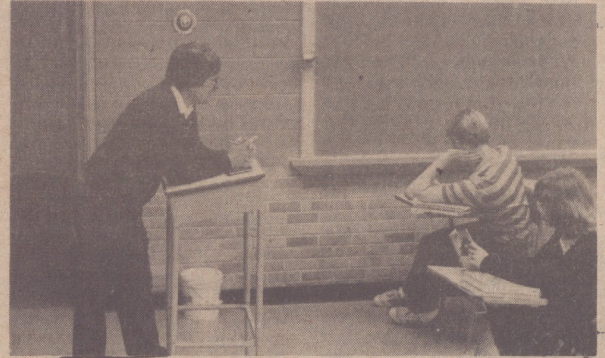
ucation, and a special project that he would complete while up in space. His application was due on February 1 and the state of Nebraska must pick two teachers by the end of April.

Each state will pick two applicants out of all those that they receive, and those two will go to Washington, D.C., this summer for a workshop. In this workshop they will learn about the space program, more interviews will take place, and they must take a test. From these 100 who attend the

workshop in Washington, the number will then be narrowed down to ten.

These ten teachers will go to Houston in July for further testing. This number then gets narrowed down to five and then to two. Of these two people, one is the person who will be in the space shuttle and the other teacher is the backup.

Mr. Mahoney said that they expect about 60,000 teachers to apply for this. In Nebraska, he said, several hundred people will probably apply.



MR. MAHONEY INSTRUCTING CLASS

FBLA BUSINESS IS BOOMING

By: Todd Peterson

Here at Scotus FBLA has been extremely busy lately. The month of February started off with a valentine's tape dance in which the Valentine king and queens were crowned. They were, freshman, Chris Becher and Ron Zornes, sophomores, Amy Hefti and Scott Krzycki, juniors, Cina Liebig and Paul Placzek, seniors, Pam Jarecki and Jeff Lassek.

On Monday, February 4, there was a FBLA meeting in which Jim Swaboda, who is blind, and is the

owner of Shell Valley Fiberglass came to talk here at Scotus.

Northbend will be the site for a FBLA business competition, in which several area schools will be competing, on Saturday the 9th.

February 10th through the 16th is FBLA week. There will be a lot going on. First is a business man's breakfast at Equitable Federal Savings. It is sponsored by the Scotus and Lakeview FBLA chapters. Area business men will be treated to a program put on by the officers, explaining Future Business Leaders of America. This

will take place on February 12.

The Columbus Telegram will feature a half page ad. With pictures of the Scotus and Lakeview chapters of FBLA. And an article telling a little about FBLA. It will be in the February 13 edition.

There will also be another breakfast on February 14, this time for the teachers. It will be here at Scotus and again the officers will put on a short program.

And Friday the 15th will mark the end of the half court shootout. They will shoot till somebody wins.



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JEFF AND GERI PAINTING THE WORLD

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK CELEBRATED

By: Mark Love

The week of February 3-9 was proclaimed Catholic Schools Week by the Mayor of Columbus.

Catholic Schools Week is a time to stop and reflect what a Catholic education is.

Here at Scotus, the week was celebrated with many different activities. The seniors and juniors helped with a mini retreat for the 5th and 6th graders. They built the retreat around the Beatitudes.

Father Kramper was in charge of the 5th graders and Father Wayne was in charge of the 6th graders.

Wednesday, the first graders wrote messages on balloons reading "God Loves You".

An all-school mass was held on Friday at 1:00 p.m. with a special presentation to Leo Dowd for his contributions and support to Catholic education.

SENIORS TO GIVE BLOOD!

By: Patty Niedbalski

Once again the seniors will be asked to donate a pint of blood at the American Red Cross. In the past two years Mr. Younger, the sponsor, has taken approximately one half of the seniors classes. This year he is also looking for a great turnout. The date scheduled is February 27th. Mr. Younger will get a hold of the seniors through their English classes if they are interested.

Here are a few things that you might want to know about donating:

Almost anyone can give blood if they are in good health and

between the ages of 17 and 66.

It is very safe to give blood. The average adult has between 10 to 12 pints of blood and a donation of 1 pint can be spared without harmful effects.

What exactly do they do? After you are registered they check your weight, temperature and pulse. Then they take a drop or two of blood from your ear to check your iron content. Next they take a blood pressure reading to be sure you're okay. They ask you some general yes or no questions about your medical history. Then you go off to the donor room and lie down and relax. A nurse will then cleanse the arm of your choice (as long as it's yours). They put a band

around your upper arm that will help them find a vein. There is hardly any pain at all. In fact, the pain involved would be like if you pinched, lightly, a little skin between your fingernails. Once the pint bag is full they will gently remove the apparatus. While still lying down you will be asked to keep your arm pointed at the sky while pressing a gauze sponge to the area. When you feel like it, you can slowly get up and go to a room for cookies and juice. They ask you to drink more fluids for a few days. Your donation is very much appreciated. Here is a last note to keep in mind: EXCUSES DON'T SAVE LIVES, DONORS DO.



JANE WOLFE



SHEILA SCHMIDT

By: Todd Peterson

On Saturday, February 9, there was a business competition held at North Bend. Several Scotus students attended and competed

with the other area schools.

Sheila Schmidt and Jane Wolfe both placed in their events. Sheila was first in the Creed Event and was second in proofreading. Jane was third in Accounting II.

EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

OPEN CAMPUS IS A NEW BEGINNING

By: Laurie Kennedy

Open campus began for the seniors on January 21st at the beginning of the third quarter.

A lot of the underclassmen see the seniors coming and going and wish quietly to themselves that they were leaving too. At the same time a lot of these underclassmen have certain questions about open campus, and for that matter even some of the seniors.

For instance, they may wonder who receives this privilege. The requirements are that the student must have an 85% average or higher and nothing lower than a C to receive open campus. If a student was suspended from school or received in-school suspension (the vault) during

first semester, they did not receive open campus. However, if the student's grades are brought up to the required scores halfway through the third quarter or at the end of the third quarter, they will then be eligible.

And last but not least, "How do they spend this time?" Now that we have been given our research paper assignments, some seniors can be found at the public library. But overall you will find most of the seniors out supporting our local restaurants such as McDonald's, Arby's and of course, Burger King, etc.

So far the seniors have done an excellent job of respecting this privilege. There is no doubt that they will continue to make our school proud.

SHAMROCK NIGHT PROVES TO BE A GREAT SUCCESS

By: Lisa Spencer

Shamrock Night, a fund raiser that has been at Scotus for many consecutive years, turned out to be a great success. The night was January 26, 1985, and the event took place at the Agricultural Park. A crowd of approximately 850 gathered to support the school.

There were many hours put into the preparation of this event. This fund raiser usually nets the school an extra income to help with the operation expenses. The goal was \$15,000 and it was nearly achieved.

The students took time out to sell raffle tickets for Shamrock Night. The classes battles for the top selling class and Mr.

Peterson's class was verified as champs.

With the selling of the raffle tickets, the school drew an income of about \$8,000. With the night itself, including music, refreshments and games, they reeled in about \$10,000. This adding up for a gross income of around \$18,000. After all expenses had been paid, this event brought in around a net profit of \$14,000, which will be used to pay for the school's operational expenses this year.

Shamrock Night was very successful and was lots of fun. So if you missed it this year, make sure you mark your calendar and can make it next year.

EATIN' IN CLARA'S COUNTRY KITCHEN

By: Geri Hilger

"Fish Again!", "What is this?", "Runza's alright!", "Do you want mine?". These are the various comments expressed down in "Clara's Country Kitchen".

For the past 12 years, I have eaten in the cafeteria day after day. Every day is an adventure of questions: How many should I take? What to take? Should I eat a salad? And so on. Why must the cooks make eating so difficult for us?

Early in the morning the stoves are lit, the steamers are turned on and the food is prepared for the noon meal. All the students are served by 12:00. and then the cooks sit

down to eat.

For 80¢ a day, students get a main dish, vegetable (sometimes two), dessert, rolls, peanut butter sandwiches or butter sandwiches, two cartons of milk and they can even go back for seconds at no charge. As a special additive, students also have ten cooks (including my own mom) to serve us every day on time.

The next time you sit down to eat in the cafeteria, think about how lucky you are to be eating a hot meal, while most kids have barely enough food to survive. I am thankful for the meals because when I go to college next year I'm going to miss "Clara's Country Kitchen".



By: Patty Niedbalski

The newly formed Astronomy Club is really being active this year. Their last outing was on February 2nd.

The members of the club are not expected to go on every outing, but so far this year there has been approximately eight to ten members on each outing.

The last outing was held at the Rosno farm. Mr. Urwiller said everyone had a really good time, despite the 5° weather the members were determined to learn about the stars.

The members are learning many things about the sky. For example they can find certain planets, stars, clusters, and nebula now on their own. They are also learning many things about these objects and the equipment that they use.

Mr. Urwiller stated that the next outing will be in approximately three weeks or whenever the weather warms up a little.

ASTRONOMY CLUB LOOKS TO THE STARS



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY SPONSORS CHILI FEED

By: Greg Jarecke

On February 1, National Honor Society held a chili feed from 4:30 to 8:30 in the Scotus cafeteria as a fund raiser.

As sponsor of National Honor Society, Mrs. Hrozovsky felt that the activity was a big success because over 220 people were served before the varsity basketball game against Wahoo

Neumann. A little over \$175.00 profit was made. The cost was \$2.50 for adults and \$1.25 for children and included all the chili and desserts they could eat.

Mrs. Brozovsky was very proud of the 33 National Honor Society members who worked as they did a very good job. Mrs. Brozovsky said that special recognition should be given to the students who

volunteered their help; they were: Tara Zuerlein, Missy Grohs, and Sandy Zegar. A special thanks is extended to Clara Fletcher, Mrs. Florence Kresha, and Mrs. Cathy Hilger for organizing the kitchen and preparing the chili.

Everyone attending seemed to enjoy the food immensely, and all of the profit that was made will be used for a very good cause.

SPEECH DEPARTMENT TALKS ITS' WAY TO THE TOP

By Cindy Krause

The Scotus speech department is more than just giving speeches. The four main classes are: Drama I, Drama II, Speech I, and Speech II. But the speech department has more to offer the school than just classes. This department directs Scotus Speech Team, Thespians, and the plays. Mrs. Sandi Bernt is the speech/drama instructor here at Scotus.

The first class that most students take from this department is Speech I. In Speech I the students study many different types of speeches. Some of these include a speech of introduction, informative, persuasive, an acceptance speech, a media speech, and presentation.

In Speech I students study the different parts of self and come to a better understanding of themselves.

After the students have completed Speech I they have the opportunity to participate in Speech II. There is no Speech II class this school year because not enough students wanted to take the class. In Speech II the students work on polishing up the skills that they have. The students learn interviewing techniques and also study contest speaking. During the course of this class the media is a main area of study. Oral interpretation is studied and students put on a little skit. The last area that is studied is the debate and discussion.

Drama I is another class that is included in the speech department. In Drama I the basic skills of pantomime and improvisation are taught to the students. Through the course of the class it becomes easier for the students to be able to relax in front of the audience and feel more at ease.

The last class that is offered in

the speech department is Drama II. Just like there is no Speech II this year, there is also no Drama II class this year. In years past the students in this class have taken the skills that they have learned and applied them in a actual production through contests. The students must put on a children's theater, in which they invite elementary students from the grade schools to come to Scotus and watch the Drama II class perform. The hardest thing that this class must do is to write their own play and also direct this play. The group must come up with their own ideas for lighting, scenery, and theme. They are given quite a bit of time in which to do this but it is in no way an easy task to accomplish.

This department also involves Mrs. Sandi Bernt in extracurricular activities. One of these activities is the speech team. They have had one contest already this school year and are now preparing for the next meet. The conference meet will be February 23. The top two people from each event will then compete in the district contest which is March 14 at Midland College. For the few members of the team that will get to go to state, this will be held on March 23.

There are no requirements to become a member of the Scotus Speech Team. The members of the team, however, must have an interest in speech. Many times in preparing for a speech contest the students must research, find a topic, write, rewrite, and practice in order that they will be prepared for the speech contest.

Another aspect of the speech department is Thespians. To become a member of Thespians a student must accumulate enough points to be invited to join. This can be done through active participation in drama and speech.

The Thespians are planning to

perform skits at either Mory's Haven or the Columbus Manor in the spring. They may go see a play at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln during the month of February. The group will also attend a dinner theater on May 3rd in Omaha.

Another activity the Thespians participate in is to read the announcements in the morning and also in the afternoon. Reading the announcements is not as easy as a person would like to think, it becomes especially difficult when you realize that approximately 450 students and members of the faculty are listening to you.

The department will not have a spring play this year since Scotus had a fall musical this year. There will not be a musical next fall, but there will be a spring play in the spring of 1986. The cycle rotates each year. One year there is a fall musical and the next year there is a spring play, then back to the musical and so forth.

There are many other things that the speech department does. They participate in the Optimist Speech Contest and through this students can win scholarships. They also participate in the VFW Speech Contest where scholarships can also be won. The members who are able to go the State Speech Contest will perform their speeches in front of the Scotus Mother's Club. This department also presents speeches for the American Legion.

The talents and the ability to be able to give speeches or just communicate are vital to our everyday lives. With the participation in the speech department it becomes much easier to talk openly with people and to speak up for what you want. We need to be able to communicate with others without being nervous.

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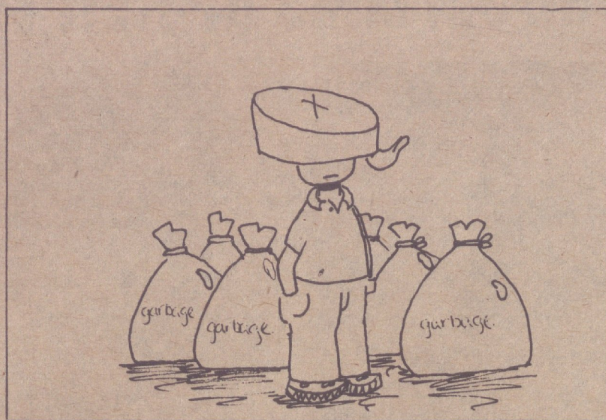
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DAN MILLER, THE NEW CARTOONIST



HOW I WISH IT WAS MONEY!!

CARTOONIST DISCOVERED AT SCOTUS

By Colleen Krzycki

I recently talked with sophomore Dan Miller. A few weeks ago, Dan was taking notes in his English class. Well at least that's what Mrs. Bstandig thought. But when she walked back to Dan's desk, she found that he had been sketching cartoons instead of taking notes. And that's how Dan Miller was discovered as the cartoonist for the school newspaper.

Dan first became intested in drawing when he was in kindergarten. He said he often loved to trace pictures and finally, he just started drawing on his own. Dan gets his ideas from a number of

places. He uses ideas from T.V. shows, other artists and their drawings, and sometimes he relates his topic to himself or the situation he is in.

Dan began creating his own cartoon character called "Dean," while sitting in his mom's office. He said he always got the idea of the Civil War and a little guy in baggy army clothes. Dan changed this personality into his own character. And that's how Dean was created.

Dan is currently enrolled in art classes here at Scotus, but also takes private lessons. His instructors name is Mrs. Dodendorf. Her studio is in her basement and

that is where Dan practices his art. Mrs. Dodendorf is an artist here in Columbus. She designs book covers and paints statues for St. Bon's grade school. She also has paintings in the public library.

Dan's future plans are to go to college and improve upon his art skills. He plans to make art his profession, but teaching cartooning is a possibility. In time, Dan hopes to have his cartoon featured in newspapers, advertisements, and possibly even T.V. commercials, or maybe his own show. Dan said it takes alot of hard work, but he is willing to work for it.

PAT EARNED HIS OPEN CAMPUS!!

A 3.0 honor roll grade for the first semester for me proved to be awesome. Open campus was the reward for me because I received freedom during seventh period and alternating eighth period.

This was the first time I made honor roll and my brains came through for me at the right time, just when I needed them the most.

The first couple of times I was so keyed up when I ventured out of school with Mike Ebner wondering what we free birds were going to accomplish. We ended up on Mike's farm to complete his chores that he forgot in the morning. Then we brought his three-wheeler into town to show the policemen, who picked him up last weekend to see if it was registered. Man, I thought open campus was supposed to be cool.

Open campus is a privilege not just for me, but for other seniors who accomplish this grieving task.

The last couple of weeks it has been cold for the most part, so there really is not much to do, but when we have seventh and eighth periods free, Mike and I lift weights.

Homework has been one of the problems for me, because I used to do it all in study hall. Now, I just have to complete my assignments at home.

Springtime is awaiting me and I cannot wait to explore the great outdoors. Mike and I head on down to the local beach, bask in the sun and check the beautiful scenery out.

I hope the warm weather comes soon, with the school year coming to an end for the seniors. I want to wish the other seniors to enjoy their freedom.

Seniors, remember keep up your good grades. Intelligently yours, Pat Kuta

THE TRIALS OF PUMPING GAS

By: Laurie Kennedy

The other day my mom said that her car needed gas. Of course I volunteered my services, because it's the only chance I get to drive the new car. So, I went and picked up Mary because we were planning on going downtown anyway. After I picked her up we headed for Abe's. You see, I usually go to Phillip's 66 because it's full service, and I'm too lazy to get out of the car and put in myself. But since it was a nice day and it was cheaper at Abe's, I went there.

I encountered my first problem when I drove up next to the gas pump. Since I rarely drive the new car, I didn't know which side of the car the gas tank was on, so I had to get out and look. Me being the lucky person that I am, discovered that the gas tank was on the side furthest from the gas pump. Not knowing whether the hose would reach or not I thought

I'd try it--well it didn't. I looked up and to my total embarrassment, Abe and another guy were standing there laughing their heads off. As my face proceeded to turn 50 shades of red, I looked into the car for moral support from Mary, only to find her laughing hysterically. I have always prided myself on being able to think quick in an embarrassing situation, so after going over my predicament for a split second, I quickly asked Mary what to do. After she recovered from her fit of hysteria, she told me to pull ahead then back up next to the gas pump on the other side. I thought to myself "No Problem," but just as I threw the car into reverse, a vision of Pro's minor collision with the gas pump popped into my head.

Even though I was a little nervous any my ego was mildly trampled on everything turned out okay, that is, if you don't consider the dollar's worth of gas on the ground. Oh well, life goes on!

MUSIC DEPT. CLINIC:

INSIDE THE SCENES WITH COLLEEN!!!

By: Colleen Krzycki

On February 2, 1985, at 8:00 a.m., the music participants started on their way to the Boystown Choral Clinic. Everyone was bright-eyed and ready to sing their hearts out.

The bus arrived at Boystown at 9:55 and the swing choir performed in a private room for the clinician that was to help all the music students on the music chosen for the concert at 4:30 p.m. The clinician, Dr. Weymuth, gav the swing choir a couple of pointers to improve their performance numbers. When they were finished, the swing choir went to practice on the stage. After becoming accustomed to the amount of space that they had to perform, the swing choir left the stage so that other groups could practice.

At about 10:30 a.m. the clinician called all the students to be seated in the auditorium for an introduction to the day's events. The clinician worked on the songs for the concert. A break was given to the students to get a drink of water or just walk around. Then everyone was called back for practice before lunch. The practice lasted about 45 minutes and then it was lunch

time. The students were either to eat lunch at Boystown cafeteria or in the auditorium if they brought their own lunches.

The Scotus swing choir finished lunch and had a practice on the stage. After they were done, all the other Scotus students came up to the stage and began singing a variety of songs. The medley form the movie "Grease" was the popular hit. It even attracted the Boystown choir participants.

At 1:00 p.m. the practicing began once again. This practice lasted 2 hours consisting of: going over the concert songs, practicing getting on and off the risers, and then going over the entire concert. During the practice, an orange juice and cookie break was taken by all the students. After the break, last minute touches were given to the songs and then all students were released to change for the concert.

The bit moment was finally here, the concert had begun. First up was Boystown, and then came St. Albert's High School. St. Joseph High School was next and following them was Bishop Newman. Next came the time for the Scotus Swing Choir. As they walked on the stage, the audience applauded and whistled. The

swing choir did two numbers. The first was a slow song called "I'm on my way," with a solo by Colleen Krzycki. Next came a dance number called "Ease on Down the Road." After Scotus finished, Aquinas, and Cathedral performed their numbers to end the school group performances.

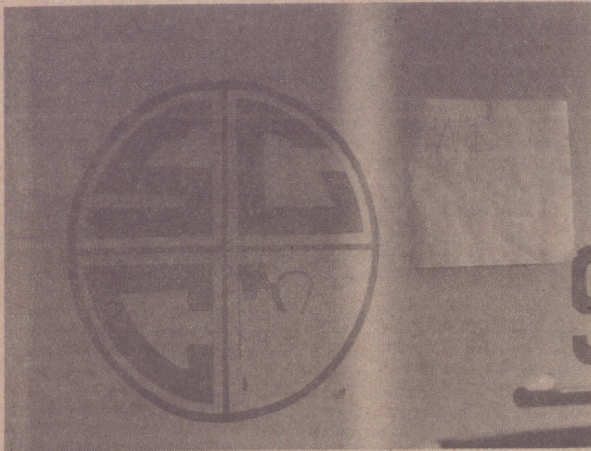
Then it was time for the grand finale. All the students from all the participating schools combined their voices to create a magnificent sound of music. The songs done were "Sing We and Chant It," "Corner of the Sky," from the movie "Pipin", "My Wish for You", and "How Excellent is Thy Name." Before the last song was sung, the clinician complimented on the students great performance and participation throughout the day. Tears rolled down the faces of a few students as they didn't want to leave. It was a day well worth spending. After the concert, everyone changed into their clothes for riding home and loaded on the bus. Mrs. Schnabel said she was proud of our performance and decided that we would stop at Wendy's in Fremont for supper. The bus returned home at about 8:30 p.m. and everyone went their own ways.

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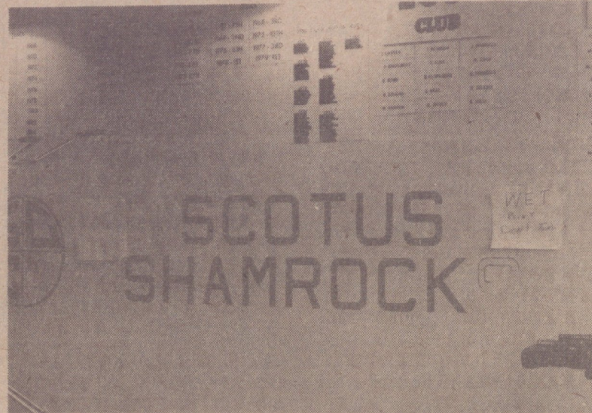
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SCOTUS WEIGHTROOM LIFTS UP NEW LOOKS



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By: Pat Kuta

The Scotus High School weigh-room has a new look with the painting of Scotus Shamrocks designs by the painting class here at school.

PHOTOGRAPHY BY PAT KUTA

The class started out the second semester class by designing and drawing out letters, which were done by Todd Jarecke, Don Brakenhoff, Christ Melcher, and Loren Rieck on the west wall of the Scotus weightroom. Next, was the

designing of the SCC symbols created by Tara Zuerlein, Chris Mielak on one side and Bill Soulliere, Robert Miller on the other.

The weightroom also has been extended by knocking out part of the south wall and moving it to the west. Mr. Puetz would like to thank all the coaches for helping: Mr. Younger who did most of the carpentry work, and Mr. Berlin, and Mr. J. Puetz helped with the painting. The use of this area will be a designated area for the universal weight set, possibly using one of the storage rooms for a training room.

I almost forgot, Mr. G. Puetz would also like to thank Mr. Mike Kudron who used his athletic kicking ability to help knock down the south wall. Miss Kiser and the painting class will be painting another creation on the new wall later this school year.

BASKETBALL SEASON FINISHING UP!

By: Mark Love

Scotus exploded in the fourth quarter to take command of a very close game Friday, February 1 in the Activity Center.

Behind the scoring of the Shamrock's big men, Podraza, Jilek, Ernst, and Englebert, Scotus defeated Wahoo Neumann 64-49. The Shamrock's little men did an

outstanding job also as Duren and Hroza combined for 8 assists. Hroza also played heads up ball as he stole the ball three times.

The Shamrock's had a well balanced attack from all aspects, as they out-rebounded the Cavaliers 33-21, with Ernst pulling down 12 bounds.

The game was pretty much a toss-up in the first half as Wahoo

led through two quarters of play by one.

The third quarter ended also with Wahoo up by one.

Then the explosion came as the Shamrocks outscored the Cavs 30-16 in the final period to post a 64-49 win.

The night of February 1 also featured Parents' Night.



BUSTIN LOOSE!

By: Donna Schieffer

The Scotus junior high girl's P.S. classes are going through a dance unit this semester.

The dances they are taught give the girls a chance to use their talents and can be used as a form of exercise.

Following the dance instruction the girls are given time to choreograph and perform their own dance. A lot of imagination and time are put into these dances. The girls learn to work with each other to combine ideas and choose music that will go with the steps.

The girls are then graded individually on imagination and the movements used to fit with the music.

Mrs. Malicky, the P.E. teacher, asked me (Donna Schieffer) if I would come in a few classes and teach the girls a short dance to give them a few ideas and expose them to techniques I have learned from

dance lessons. Hesitantly I agreed, not knowing what was in store for me. I had no idea what I would teach them, or what they would like to learn. I picked a dance to the song 'Ghostbusters'. It was easy to teach, and I thought it would be fun to learn.

The first few classes gave me a chance to see how much the girls knew about dance. A lot of them had a little trouble learning the first few steps but after a while they seemed to pick up steps with ease. They really surprised me with how quick they learned the dance.

It was a lot of fun for all of us. It was fun to try something new for a change.

A few girls were asked to perform the dance during half time for a basketball game. It turned out to be very successful and entertaining.

LAKEVIEW AT PLATTE

By: Jeff Lassek

A front line of 6'6, 6'6, 6'3 proved to be disastrous for the Shamrock basketball team. It was big enough for a 67-49 win over the Rocks in the annual cross-town shootout at Platte College, February 9.

Lakeview's front line contributed with Keith Gehring (center) scoring 25 points and grabbing 15 rebounds, Brad Asche (forward)

also scored 18 points, and grabbed a team leading 10 rebounds. Mike shot 9 of 11 from the field.

The Rocks were in complete control of the game as they led by big margins all the way. At one point they were ahead by 30 or more points.

The Shamrocks dominated the boards as they grabbed a team total of 46 rebounds. The team got a large number of points from their

fast break due to their defensive rebounds.

The team as a whole shot 53% from the floor. Besides Brakenhoff and Ernst scoring other scores were Matt Jilek with 11, Doug Brakenhoff with 8, and Todd Duren added 6.

Scotus won the Junior Varsity game also, but by a closer margin of 56-52.

RAYMOND CENTRAL

By: Jeff Lassek

The boys basketball team raised their record to 7-8 with a convincing victory over Raymond Central 71-39.

Senior forward on Brakenhoff played his best game of the season as he scored 18 points by shooting 50% from the floor, and he also pulled down 7 rebounds. Another senior, Mike Ernst the post man, had 19 points and 12 bounds, and

Joel Smejkal (forward) had just 5 points, but 11 rebounds and 6 assists. Those three combined for a total of 49 points, 38 rebounds, and 11 assists. It was just too much for the smaller Shamrocks, as constant lobs were thrown into their big guys who put it in for more points.

Shooting percentages played a big part as Lakeview shot 43% making 22 of 51 shots. While Scotus shot under 30% connecting on only 17

of 58 shots.

The Shamrocks were led by Karl Hroza's 12 points, as Don Brakenhoff added 10, and Jeff Lassek added 8 more points.

The Lakeview junior varsity also won their game against Scotus' Junior Varsity of a score of 74-51.

Opening round for district play is February 22, at homesites. Scotus will travel to Wayne to take on the Blue Devils.

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All I have been
teaches me to trust
the Creator for all
I have not seen.
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STATE SPEECH FINALISTS!



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FR. WAYNE AT HIS BEST



Ed Fehringer
Original Public
Address



Danelle Pinger
Duet Acting



Katrin Reiner
Oral Interpretation
Of Poetry



Lori Simple
Original Public
Address and
Duet Acting



Kathy Hellbusch
Extemporaneous
Speaking



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NAILING OUR PETITIONS DOWN!

SPEECH TEAM WINS CONFERENCE!

by Cindy Krause
The Scotus Speech Team placed first at the Conference Speech Contest held at Fremont Bergan on February 23rd. This was the seventh straight conference championship for the team.

The team placed first in five of the nine areas of competition, with 25 of 32 team entries qualifying for the final round after two preliminary rounds.

Mrs. Sandie Bernt has done a wonderful job in preparing the team. Considering the fact that she does not have a class til third period and her last class to teach is seventh period she does an excellent job. She puts in an

extreme amount of her free time in order to make the team a success. This is especially important because other Class B schools have full-time speech coaches instead of a part-time coach like Scotus.

The following students received medals:

Lori Cimpl & Danelle Pinger - Third, Duet Acting
Carla Podraza-Fourth, Entertainment Speaking
Becca Toof-First, Entertainment Speaking
Deb Kouma-Fourth, Extemp
Kathy Hellbusch-Third, Extemp
Chris Melcher-Fourth, Humorous Prose
Carla Podraza-Third, Humorous

Prose
Katin Reiner-Fourth, Informative
Sandy Zegar-Second, Informative
Steph Micek-First, Informative
Jodi Cutsor, Lori Sokol, Patty Ogeden, & Kathy Hellbusch-Third, Oral Interpretation of Drama
Brain Wangler, Dan Schmidt, Becca Toof, & Carrie Kucera-Second-Oral Interpretation of Drama
Lori Cimpl-Second, Original Public Address
Ed Fehringer-First, Original Public Address
Katrin Reiner-First, Poetry
Janelle Pinger-First, Serious Prose

SPANISH TEAM COMPETES AT LINCOLN

by Jeff Lassek
On Thursday, March 21st some of the Spanish students will take a trip to the University of Nebraska Foreign Language Department for the ninth annual statewide modern language fair.

It's not just a day out of school for the students. Competitions are held, and they will get a chance of a number of lectures to choose from, that will teach them the advantages of knowing an

other language.

Competition events will be held against students from Nebraska schools. Such events are honors test - where 3 top students from each school will be examined. Then there is a poetry recitation, drama competition, music competition, poster competition, name tag competition, and a folk dance competition. Awards will be presented to the best performed individual or group in each event.

There are also noncompetitive lessons where the students learn the advantage of knowing a foreign language. The mini lessons are travel abroad, career workshop, foreign films, language floor, teacher's hospitality center, and a computer workshop.

There are approximately 50 students from Scotus that are going to participate in Foreign Language Day. Mr. Deluna is their sponsor.

SWING CHOIR AND JAZZ BAND JAM!

by Donna Schieffer
Something new at Scotus this year is the jazz band, swing choir show.

The show will be held in Memorial Hall on March 26th.

Recently a number of band students auditioned and were selected into a group called "jazz Band". The group will play a

variety of music including music that is popular today.

Swing choir will be performing a number of songs and routines choreographed by the group.

Along with the group performances there will also be solos and dances given by students in music.

These students have put long hours and hard work into this show and look forward to making

the night a great success.

Often students don't get a chance to show their talents. This gives them a chance to prove themselves and provide excellent entertainment for all who attend.

There is a lot of talent here at Scotus and if you don't believe it, come to the "SHOW" and find out for yourself!



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FR. KRAMPER READS GOD'S WORD

EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

SENIORS LIVE FOR ENGLISH PAPER

by Greg Jarecks

It is that time of year again for the seniors in Mrs. Bstandig's 12A English class to go buy a large bottle of aspirins as March 20th, the due date of the senior's research paper is fast approaching. I am not trying to say this research paper isn't fun or anything like that, but it seems that chronic headaches seem to appear each year at this time among seniors.

The research paper for those underclassmen who are looking forward to it in high anticipation should understand that it is a research paper on the topic of your choice and is anywhere from 15-20 pages typed. I'm not trying to scare you, but you also have to write out about 15-20 pages typed. I'm not trying to scare you, but you also have to write out about 250 note cards taken from approximately 50 resources, (don't worry I only have 71 note cards and 12 resources).

For those underclassmen who really want to scare a senior just sneak up behind a 12A English

student and yell "plagerism!" This will usually cause the senior to drop to the floor and go into convulsions. Why is this such a scary word you may ask? Well when this word is translated in 12A terms it means, "you cheated and now you get a zero."

Seriously though this paper isn't quite as bad as I may have made it sound. If you overlook getting chronic headaches, racking your brain and getting arthritis from typing it isn't that bad.

No, Mrs. Bstandig is not a dictator actually she has been pretty nice about this research paper as she gives you about a month to work on it. After you pick your topic, you do research in the library for a few weeks and then work a couple more weeks in the classroom writing the report so it really is not that bad.

If you really use your time wisely and do your research you will have no problem completing the report in the time provided, so don't let this story scare you too much.

PERM CRAZE HITS SCOTUS

by Todd Peterson

Lately as you walk down the halls here at school you might have noticed the stench of peroxide. Well don't worry it's not a chemical plant leak.

It's just some of the junior and senior guys who decided straight hair would just no longer do and got perms.

I too was one of these misguided fools, and needless to say it was kind of a scary situation. After some long hours of deep thought and careful consideration, I finally mustered up enough courage to go call and make an appointment. So she said, "I must have forgot to I was committed and had to go through with it."

The appointment was for 3:30 going to cry. But there was not after school, I was on time all much I could do, so I set up ready to go, but they weren't. I another appointment for the next had to wait for about an hour morning.

Well it was going pretty good, I had curly hair. It looked pretty the curlers were in, I had a good, but I don't know if I would ever do it again.

magazine, and we were about done. I felt rather uncomfortable to say the least, and I prayed nobody would come in and see me in my curlers.

Finally the time was up and it was time to take out the curlers and see how it looked. The girl started taking out the curlers. She was unusually quiet (I was worried) then she asked me what kind of shampoo I used. I knew something was wrongs, I asked her.

She said "Uh Uh there's no curlers!" "What!" I said. Then she said, "I must have forgot to I put something in-Uh sorry." I was crushed, and I thought I was

Luckily it worked that time, and I had curly hair. It looked pretty good, but I don't know if I would ever do it again.

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THE BAND MARCHES ON!

by Geri Hilger

Mr. Tom Vonderacek is currently director of the band program at Scotus. In his first year of teaching at Scotus, he has found Scotus to be a very respected and supportive school. He comments, "There are various activities here at Scotus and a lot of enthusiasm follows these activities."

The Scotus band program is set up into three separate divisions. The first division is elementary band, which consists of 5th and 6th graders from St. Bon's, St. Anthony's, and St. Isidore's parishes. These first years of band are called beginning band.

The second division is junior high band. Junior high band consists of 7th and 8th grade students. There are presently 47 members involved in the junior high band program.

The third division of band is the senior high band. This division consists of 9th thru 12th grade students. There are presently 47 members enrolled. All divisions of band participate in various activities throughout the year and summer months.

The main objective of the band program is to provide a student, who enjoys music instrumentally, to grow in his or her talent. The students are taught the basic methods for playing their specific instruments.

Mr. Vonderacek chooses and decides what specific music is taught to the students. The music is chosen on: what can be accomplished by the students, the difficulty of the music, does it relate to the students, and will time be spent wisely on working on the music. Each division of band are given different pieces of music to play according to their ability.

Each student is graded seperately on their ability. They



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LARRY'S GOIN' SOLO!

are graded on all effort that they put forth, their practice and extra practice that they do, all events that they participate in through the year, and thie knowledge that they have learned and have been tested on. The grading system is the same uniform system that is used in all classes at Scotus.

A special incentive in the band program is the earning of a band letter. A total of 200 points are needed to achieve this letter. Points are earned through participating in contests. Honors' band, solos, being an officer in band, and being in band for four years. If a student is outstanding in band, special consideration is given to that student in earning a letter.

Through the year and summer, special events, contests and concerts take place. During school at Christmas time and in the spring, band concerts are held. These concerts involve all

members of band 5th through 12th grade. Various marching competitions are scattered throughout the year and summer. Annually Scotus attends U.N.O. Band Day, which includes are bands and flag corps teams. Pep band and jazz band are special groups that are formed from all the students in senior high band. Scotus attends various contests throughout the year in both junior high and senior high band. The students are provided with various ways to show their ability in playing a musical instrument.

Mr. Vonderacek commented on his future plans for Scotus, "I would like to enter more competitions throughout the year and to help the students build a better understanding of music, as in theory and dynamics of music." He plans on continuing the auxiliary flag corps team and is looking forward to next year.

MATH DEPARTMENT ADDS UP!!!

By: Mark Love

The math department is one of experience and one that is stable. I recently interviewed Mr. Berlin who is the head of the math department.

The objectives of the math department are to have a well refined and balanced courses for the students, and also to prepare the students for college math courses.

A lot of classes that students take, outside of algebra and geometry, include math. These classes are: chemistry, physics, home economics and even music.

There are five different teachers in the math department, who teach different areas of math. Mr. Berlin teaches the freshmen and juniors Algebra I and II. Mr. Peterson teaches geometry and senior math. Mrs. Pekarek, Mr. Mahoney, and Mrs. Went all teach junior high.

There are different areas of math at Scotus which students can take. They range in difficulty from general math, geometry, senior math and algebra.

Mr. Berlin feels that students really should take up to three years of math or at least through Algebra

II. I asked him why senior math was so difficult, he responded by saying, "senior math leads into calculus. There is more concept instead of repetition as in algebra and geometry classes."

Math classes help prepare students for the future by understanding logic, reasoning, and problem solving.

The whole world revolves around math, dealing from money to measurements.

Mr. Berlin specifically pointed out that here at Scotus math classes score above the state and national average in math consistently every year.

Experience counts in the Scotus math department

Experience counts. In Scotus, the math department has been together for a long time. The last person to join the staff was Mr. Peterson, nine years ago.

Mr. Berlin stated that people don't realize how important it is for people to work together for a long time.

The math courses offered at Scotus are:

General Math: This course will offer a review of the basic

operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division using integers, fractions and decimals. It covers conversion to the metric system. Business and algebraic formulas are integrated into the format of the course.

Algebra I: Algebra I understanding the real number system, recognizing the technique of Algebra, applying concepts and skills, and perceiving the roll of deductive reasoning.

Algebra II: Algebra II provides a review of fundamentals of algebra as well as developing the number system more completely. Some of the topics included are mathematical statements and proofs, solving equations and inequalities, sequences, function and relation, system of open sentences, real numbers, complex numbers, quadratic equation, exponents and logarithms.

Senior Math: This will develop inductive and deductive reasoning in both mathematical and non-mathematical situations. Formal proofs are used to establish the "clear-thinking" policy of this course. Most of the course deals with points, lines, and such figures that line in a plane.

SENIORS LIVE FOR THE RESEARCH PAPER: THE SEQUEL!!

The key to working on my research paper was motivation. The place to find it: Todd (Bubba) Jarecke's house, down in his basement. There were eleven other seniors who were in the same shape I was in.

The writing for my research paper started Monday, March 11th. To tell you the truth I had written about 13 double-spaced pages with 30 more to go.

The motivation day was planned on Wednesday the 13th. Eleven seniors and I started out the moment with buying food to last a week and a couple cases of lurg.

Chewing the fat with one another, we began the research paper. Stopping here and there to hear one of Steve Bonk's theories on life's aspects. Finishing up a couple of pages, I decided to take a break and listen to a couple of tunes on MTV. Changing channels, Todd (Wacky) Peterson finally sees something he likes (which you can imagine) when all he says is "HOT".

And, I thought I was supposed to work on that uh! that research paper. Getting back in that mood is hard to do when the senior guys are jammin' to Mike Sand's ghetto blaster to the tunes of

"Rock-n-Roll Party in the Streets" and "New York Groove".

The seniors finally decided to cancel the work on the research paper for the night and just sit back and relax on their surfboards.

Basically, it looks like I did not get much done on the motivation night, but believe me there will be more to come when all I have done is 15 pages written.

So senior guys remember that old saying "Work before play".

Yours truly,
Pat Kuta



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THE CAMPUS MINISTRY HAS A TOTAL OF 79 SENIOR HIGH MEMBERS.

RELIGION DEPARTMENT BRING PRAYFUL ATMOSPHERE TO SCOTUS

By Laurie Kennedy

The religion department is a vitally important aspect of our Catholic education here at Scotus and Father Wayne, head of the department, carries out the duties of teaching and heading the campus ministry team. Father Wayne has a lot of help, however, from several excellent teachers such as: Father Krampfer, Mr. Hixon, Mrs. Riley, and Father Joe.

A large percentage of the religion department is the Campus Ministry Team started in 1981 when Father Wayne first arrived here at Scotus. When stationed here at Scotus the Bishop gave Father Wayne the primary responsibility of the Campus Ministry Team, everything else was considered secondary. When first originated, the team consisted of 15 students but as the popularity of the team grew over the years, so did the membership. This year there are 79 senior high members and 2 junior high representatives.

Father Wayne said that the main goal of the team that he strives to emphasize most of all is "for the kids to be ministers to one another - to share their individual talents and to be good to one another."

The team has accomplished many community projects which have benefited a lot of people. Donating fresh food from the garden and canned goods for the food pantry have been two of the projects.

Last year the Campus Ministers agreed on the adoption of Renna, a child from India. Various students have sent Renna letters and in return three to four letters are sent to the school from Renna each year. Later on in the school year Mrs. Kobus' English class will be writing and sending letters to Renna as a class project.

As for future plans and projects for the team, everything that

CAN be done, HAS been done. The team will continue to raise the garden, send money and letters to Renna, and prepare retreats for the individual grades and will also continue the planning of Celebrate Life Week.

All the faculty members of the religion department are members of Campus Ministry and help in several ways. Mr. Hixon helps with the music for masses, Father Joe assists in the listening of confessions on holy days, and Father Krampfer helps with the planning and saying of the masses.

There are 8 students EME's (Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist) and 4 faculty EME's. Eight senior members of the Campus Ministry Team are chosen by various teachers starting with Father Joe. However, Father Wayne makes the final decision.

Several changes have occurred in the religion department over the years and when asked how he viewed these changes Fr. Wayne said, "The changes made were good. We aren't receiving as positive response as expected, mainly because there isn't enough variety. Students are becoming bored."

A major change foreseeable for the department in the near future may be in the 10th grad Religion Class. The sophomore religion class studies social issues and they are finding an overlapping of material with the modern problems course. Fr. Wayne has a degree in social studies, so they may be combining these two classes, however, this has not been decided for sure.

Fr. Wayne and Fr. Krampfer have now been here at Scotus for 4 years and the question of their transfer has been brought up several times in the student body. Their many invaluable accomplishments and sacrifices have deeply enriched the Scotus family and are greatly appreciated by all!

by Patty Niedbalski
On February 9th thru the 11th, I experienced one of the best weekends of my life. It will always be a memory to me, but yet, it was a beginning.

I went on a TEC weekend with Jodi Cutsor, Claudette Vrbka, and Mike McNair. The experiences there, at the TEC Center, are to be kept somewhat of a secret from those who have not yet experienced a TEC. Many friendships begin there that will last a lifetime. Within a short three day weekend I seemed to know these people my entire lifetime.

Comments have been made to me and others that TEC is meant to make people priests and nuns. But, the students are the only one to make that choice. TEC is a time when you become close to God in your own special way. The talks make you think about what life really means to you.

Speakers tell good and bad experiences that have happened to them. They say how God has touched their lives in many ways, and they are trying to make you realize how He has touched yours.

TEC is not just people drilling things into your head about having faith, etc. You play fun and exciting games. Songs are also sung in a more meaningful way. The weekend is full of surprises!!!

by Laurie Kennedy

Everyone has a list of "pet peeves", little things that, basically, bug them. Here is a "short" list of my own personal pet peeves:

1. When I get trapped in a parallel parking place, backing up and pulling forward for 10 minutes straight, only to look up and see the owner of the car behind me, sitting in his car laughing hysterically.
2. When a person parks his car within 2 inches of my car door, leaving enough room for a bean pole to squeeze through.
3. When I try to get into a car with a dress on - gracefully. It's virtually impossible!
4. When a car pulls out in front of me and then has the nerve to go 25 mph in a 30 mph zone. I find this really irritating.
5. When I go into a clothing store and spot a clearance sale table with a sign saying, "All items marked 20-50% off the retail price" I have yet to find the item marked 50% off, and if I ever did it would probably be a size 3 petite.
6. When I'm having a dream that I'm stuck on a deserted island with a gorgeous guy, and my alarm goes off right in the middle of it.
7. When I'm taking a drive-thru order at Burger King and they ask if I'm going. Do they really think we're going to serve it on a tray?
8. Or when I go out on a date and the guy says "I'll see ya around." It sounds like he means to say, "If you drop dead tomorrow, I'll be sorry, but I won't come to the funeral."
9. When a guy says "I'll call you sometime." Does that mean if he doesn't call by the year 2000, he isn't interested?
10. I've been told that a big pet peeve of a guy's is when he asks a girl what she wants to do on their date and she says "I don't care." This really is my pet peeve

A couple of things to remember is to go there with an open mind and participate do not anticipate. The more you put into the weekend the more you will get out of it.

On March 9th thru 11th, 8 other seniors experienced a TEC weekend. There were Colleen Krzycki, Geri Hilger, Jeanne Jarecke, Jane Wolfe, Paula Kamphaus, Patty Ogden, Troy Stempak and Timm Mullen. Fr. Krampfer went

TEC: TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST

UNITY BRINGS TOGETHERNESS

By: Lisa Prosocki

Webster's defines unity as the state of being united. But, unity is also the quality of oneness, harmony, agreement, universality, and wholeness.

The work unity is very similar to the work friendship. Harmony and agreement, for example are positive qualities one would look for in a friendship. Have these qualities one will be more relaxed toward others knowing that they exist.

Unity is best found in many team sports. Here at Scotus the football, volleyball, and basketball teams are very much unified. Even though the athletes are from different classes, on the playing field they are all equal as one. Teams are composed of many different players, who are

along with this TEC as a speaker. He is pleased with the outcome of TEC so far this year.

For sophomores and freshmen there is a 24-hour Quest. A quest tries to meet young people where they are at and opens a passage to a deeper appreciation of life and of love.

If you would like any more information on a TEC or a Quest, talk to Fr. Krampfer. Be ready for surprises!!!

individual in talent, but who work together as a whole striving for the same goal.

The senior class at Scotus is another place one could look for unity. Even though we are sixty-four different students we are together the class of '85'. Unity has brought our class together in both good and bad times. With this main element we have been together from seventh to twelfth grade.

Unity is not only found in friendships, on sport teams, or in our senior class, but in everything we face. It is a lot better to go out in this world with others by our side, unified together, than to enter it alone. Although unity is only a word, it has a very broad meaning that stands out ready for us to take it in and apply it to our everyday lives.

PET PEEVES TO PONDER!!!

because it's their pet peeve. My reason: Jst that, I really don't care.

11. When cars come to a complete stop at yellow flashing lights.

12. When people stare when you get picked up for speeding.

13. When people say they know they flunked a test, and then when the test gets returned, they get congratulated for the best grade in the class.

14. When stores put Christmas decorations up right after Halloween and take them down the day after Christmas.

15. When people live their lives by their horoscopes, minute by minute.

The list can go on and on but I'll stop here because my horoscope said, "Don't ramble on with minor irritations you have - people find this irritating." If you have a pet peeve and you'd like to see it in print, send it to "PET PEEVES" c/o Scoticistics.

1985-86 CHEERLEADERS ANNOUNCED!

And the 1985-86 cheerleaders are: Varsity-Tami Thalcken, Amy Liebentritt, Gina Sutko, Becky Engelbert, Michelle Sobota, Tammy Romanek, and Carrie Staroscik. Junior Varsity- Amy Iossi, Jodi Peterson, Michelle SandTraci DurenMarin Melcher, Freshmen Tricia Korger, Joni Kinser, Teresa Romanek, Shelly Scow, & Camille Sobota.

Friday, March 15 at 12:15 p.m., cheerleading tryouts were held in the Scotus Activity Center. A total of 43 girls tried out. There

were seven juniors, six sophomores, and thirteen freshmen and 17 eighth graders. The cheers that were used in judging were chosen by the 1984-85 senior varsity cheerleaders. The first cheer, F-I-G-H-T was a sideline cheer done with a small group of girls, in the same class. The second cheer was "Here We Come," done with the same group of girls. Then came the cheer that was done solo. It was "Watch Out Beware". The cheerleaders were chosen by the pep

club and sponsors. In choosing the girls that will represent Scotus, a number of things were looked for. Spirit, enthusiasm, confidence, coordination and exactness in movement. Scotus has always had a reputation of being spirited and of showing support for the teams. Congratulations to the new cheerleaders and keep up the good work and spirit.

Special thanks to Mrs. Pekarek and Mrs. Went, the Pep Club sponsors for making the year fun.

SHAMROCK GIRLS ENJOY SUCCESSFUL SEASON!

by Lisa Spencer

The Shamrock girls ended the 1984-85 season with an impressive 15-5 record. The season for the Shamrock's may have ended sooner than they had planned but throughout the season they really showed their competitiveness as a team. The goal of going to state had been in their minds since the beginning of the season, but their

dream was crushed by a very strong Hartington team.

The Shamrock's will lose three seniors: Lisa Prosocki, Karen Tooley, and Lisa Spencer. These seniors feel that the season was very worth while and very exciting. It is always fun to be a part of a winning team.

The following basketball players have been recognized by their teammates. Most Valuable Play-

er: Karen Tooley; Most Enthusiastic Player: Lisa Spencer; Most Improved Player: Wendy Nicolas; and Best Defensive Player: Karen Tooley.

Coach Peterson feels that the girls made many steps of improvement throughout the season. He was very proud of their fine efforts and their successful season.

VICTORY: THE ULTIMATE DREAM!

Victory
By: Bill Souillere

Victory can be defined as any success in any struggle involving the defeat of an opponent. It is also defined as the final supremacy in a battle or war. Victory is the ultimate dream of anyone who has ever participated in any form of competition.

No matter what form of competition an individual participates in, victory is their main goal, nothing else counts. Nobody ever remembers who received second or

third place, only the winner is remembered.

Victory has both positive and negative effects on people. Examples of its positive effects are the feeling of accomplishment and the emotional "high" that is felt after the victory. No stimulant known to man can equal the effects of a victory.

Along with the positive effects there must be negative ones, too. Jealousy is probably the worst of these effects. It can destroy everything accomplished in a victory, it may be the down fall for

a team. Another negative effect is the pressure of winning the next time out. It should be made known that it is not possible to win all the time. There is always someone who is better.

Victory is the dream of everyone, no matter what form of competition they are in. It is the reward for all the practice time that is spent preparing for a victory. Victory is great, but one thing should always be remembered. In order for a victory to take place, someone must be defeated.

BAND IS KEEPING BUSY!

by Geri Hilger

Both junior high and senior high bands at Scotus are involved in numerous activities.

On March 2nd the elementary band and junior high band traveled to Humphrey to participate in a contest and a solo

ensemble concert.

On March 16th senior high band attended conference clinic band clinic at Fremont Bergan. The day consisted of working with a clinician on various songs and presenting a concert later that evening.

Up coming events for band

include:
April 19th and 20th Senior high district music contest
April 30 Spring concert for grades 5 through 12
May Open auditions will be held for new Flag Corps members, and for a new drum majorette

TRACK TEAM OFF AND RUNNING!

by Mark Love

The 1985 track season got under way on February 25th.

The first two weeks were torture as roak work stressed. Then when your legs feel heavy as cement, the coaches start time trials to see who will go to the first meet of the season at Boystown.

The 1985 season also features

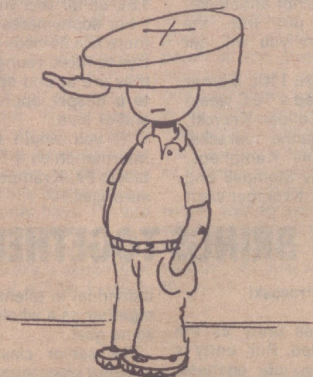
something new, the team will lift weights in the morning. This is carried over from football.

The season looks very promising as Scotus looks strong in almost every event. The coaches and team have a very strong outlook on the year.

The first meet was the Boystown Invitational on March 15th.






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DEAN
by Dan Miller



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is a cause from which
there flows some
effect.

Spinoza

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★ MEDAL WINNERS ★ STATE FBLA PROVES SUCCESSFUL

By Todd Peterson

On April 11, 12 and 13, State FBLA was held in Omaha at the Omaha Holiday Inn. There were contestants from all over the state competing in several events. They included accounting, typing, business law, business communications, business math, FBLA Creed (freshman only), proof-reading, spelling, job interviews, and business graphics.

There were business orientated activities taking place. Which include seminars about business, and speakers who will talk about business and self improvement ideas. The featured speaker was Dan Clark.

The Scotus students that attended were: Jane Wolfe, Kelly Votova, Theresa Weiland, Mary Murray, Claudette Vrbka, Diane Zornes,

Lori Sokol, Kathy Melcher, Kim Shotkoski, Jill Reiser, Bob Walters, Dan Schmidt, Jenny Naughtin, Kathy Paprocki, Kris Klopnieski, and Sheila Schmidt. Jane Wolfe will compete in clerical competency, and Who's Who in FBLA, Dan Schmidt competed in public speaking impromptu competition, and Lori Sokol was in the presidents parade.

SPEECH TEAM TAKES FOURTH AT STATE

By Cindy Krause

The Scotus Speech Team placed fourth out of the 43 Class B schools competing at the State Speech Contest. This contest was held at the University of Nebraska in

Lincoln on March 23. Norris Public placed first with 118 points, Loup City Public second with 113 points, Omaha Roncalli third with 110 points and Scotus fourth with 100 points.

The following students received medals: Lori Cimpl-original public

address-first; Danelle Pinger and Lori Cimpl-Duet Acting-first; Ed Fehringier-Original Public Address third; Katrin Reiner-Poetry-sixth.

Two of the above entries performed for the Scotus Mother's Club on April 10th.

DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOU'RE GOING TO?

By Lisa Spenceri

This may be a question revolving through the seniors' minds. Many seniors may be starting to feel the pressures of making their decisions of where they are going to college. Some have recently made their minds up, but others are still confused. The thrill of getting a scholarship may also influence where a student is going. As of now, these are the plans of the class of '85.

UNL
Lisa Cielocha
Lisa Prosocki
Tami Zuerlein
Rick Bogus
John Mielak
Todd Duren
Terry Gronenthal
Timm Mullen
Mike Sand
Todd Bator
Donna Schiefferr
Gina Ernst
Mike McNair
Jane Wolfe
Neal White
Peru State
Colleen Krzycki
College of St. Mary's
Claudette Vrbka
Lincoln School of Commerce
Michelle Bruner

UNU
Jeff Podraza
Creighton University
Paul Shotkoski
Paula Kamphaus
Bob Parolek
Kearney State
Lisa Spenceri
Kim Pokorny
Karen Tooley
Kari Haider
Mary Murray
Theresa Weiland
Kelly Votava
Bill Soulliere

Platte
Dina Micek
Laurie Kennedy
Cindy Krause
Rhonda Gonka
Debbie Pensick
Robert Miller
Jeanne Jarecke
Paul Voboril
Lincoln Southeast
Jeff Lassek
Pat Kuta
Brian VanDyke
Mark Krings

Doanne
Doug Brakenhoff
Don Brakenhoff

College of Hair Design

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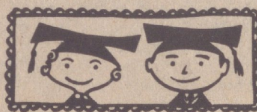
College of Hair Design
(Columbus)
Pam Jarecki
Jodi Cutsor

Milford
Chip Korth
Mike Ebner
Doug Demuth
Chris Miller

Undecided
Greg Jarecke
Todd Jarecke
Petty Niedbalski
Steve Bonk
Todd Peterson
Joe Spenner
Mike Ernst
Keith Ngai

Sheri Korgie

Good luck to all the seniors with their future plans.



ENGLISH STUDENTS WITNESS TALES OF POE AND TWAIN AT JOSLYN ART MUSEUM!

By Laurie Kennedy

On March 29th about 40 seniors and sophomores piled on the bus and headed for Omaha. After entering Omaha they ventured to the Joslyn Art Museum to watch two dramatic plays performed by the Boston Repertory Theater. The Joslyn Art Museum gave us a warm welcome and time to look around at all of the exhibits.

The plays were Mark Twain's "The Mississippi" and Edgar Allan Poe's "Tales of Poe." Dramatic sound effects and stage

designs made the plays even more authentic. Four actors performed the plays, each making their own stage and costume changes. Each play lasted approximately 30-45 minutes with a short stage change in between the plays.

Spaghetti Works was the dinner stop for the students. After getting their fill of spaghetti (all they could eat) whirl-a-Whip was bombarded with a 'few' customers. A 'hot' if not warm welcome was received here. But everything considered it was a fun-filled day for all.

GERMANS WIN OLYMPICS

By Geri Hilger

On March 31 the Spanish-German Olympics were held at Scotus. Students of the German classes and Spanish classes competed. They competed in four sports events. By the number of events won, the winner was determined.

The German Students defeated the Spanish students in basketball,

war ball, and tug of war. The Spanish students won the wiffle baseball competition. Miss Kiser commented, "We won the Olympics easily".

Over all, 40 German students and 30 Spanish students participated.

The Olympics were started 9 years ago and since that time the Germans have prevailed.

SPANISH STUDENTS EXCEL AT FOREIGN LANGUAGE FAIR

By Jeff Lassek

The ninth annual Foreign Language Fair held March 21, 1985, at the University of Nebraska was a success for all the Spanish students who participated from Scotus Central Catholic...

Thirtyseven Spanish students from Scotus were recognized in Lincoln. The Spanish folk dance group of Traci Twarek, Lynn Schuele, Muffy Libentritt, Kari Hittner, Lisa Baustert, Jenny Naughtin, Janet Scharff, and Lisa Rhea were awarded with an excellent performance. Irene Garcia was instructor for the Scotus dance group.

In the music category, students Sara Whitehead, Mary Cheloha, Lisa Ebner, Jan Euteneur, Dan Schmit, Larry Backes and Chris Kudron received an excellent rating for their modern performance of "La Bamba." Recognized for their rendition of "La Cucuracha" were Scott Heimes,

Ken Kresha, Bryan Ternus and Joe Tooley.

The art department received recognition for the theme "A Journey of Discovery." These students were: Carolyn Bonk, Kris Mielak, Kelli Nicolas, Carla Podraza, Angie Brozovsky and Amy Miller.

In the Spanish drama competition nine students were recognized for composing and performing in "Una Fiesta de Disfraz" ("A costume party"). This group included the following students Jackie Euteneur, Jane Euteneur, Kathy Hellbusch, Debbie Kouma, Amy Libentritt, Wendy Nicolas, Becky Reimers, Lori Sokol, and Sandy Zegar.

The Spanish instructor for the Scotus students was Mr. Deluna. There was over 1,500 students from the state who participated. This was the largest number in attendance for this event. The theme for the day was "A Journey of Discovery".

STUDENTS COMPETE AT PLATTE COLLEGE!

By Colleen Krzycki

Once again the students involved in music, competed at Platte College on April 19 and 20.

There were a number of areas of competition. On Friday, concert choir, swing choir, girls glee, and various ensembles performed. The

soloists this year are: Girls High Voice- Colleen Krzycki, & Pam Jarecke. Girls Medium Voice- Donna Schieffer and Jill Rieser. Girls Low Voice- Lisa Wemhoff. Two duets will also be done by Donna Schieffer and Jill Rieser, and Shannon McGuire and Laurie Beerbohm.

EDITORIALLY SPEAKING



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APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS

By Pat Kuta

"April showers bring May flowers" a familiar saying as the cold weather begins sprouting. Spring is a season enjoyed by a numerous number of people as they hand up the coat, stocking cap and gloves. People then began pulling out the spring attire which includes: muscle shirts, bermuda shorts and also the bathing suits for the teenagers who want to get the jump on a

tan for the summer.

The sparkling fish in the lakes and streams began to spawn during this wonderful season, which brings out the local fisherman that fish all night. It is a time to fix up the cabin that has been deserted all winter to have summer outings with friends on the weekends. The grass becomes thick rich green and the flowers that start erupting into fantastic colors from the rain and bright sunshine make Spring the season to be

THE SAVAGE TAN

BY DONNA SCHIEFFER

Summer is just around the corner and now everyone is worrying about getting a great tan.

Now that the weather is changing so often, it is hard to find a nice day or time to sit in the sun. The rays beat down, it is hot and sometimes it is so hard to sit in the same place for a long time. Some people would do anything to speed up the process.

Some lay on tinfoil, or in the water, on the roof, or go to the extent of coating themselves with Crisco, anything to make the sun work a little faster.

A new craze that seems to be successful are Tanning Huts.

A Tanning Hut consists of a number of ultraviolet lights that send rays to the body to produce a golden tan, or occasionally a red lobster.

There are many forms Tanning Huts come in. There is a Tanning Bed, it resembles a coffin, that covers the front and back of the body so while laying down all sides receive the same amount of rays.

Another type is the Tanning

Booth, this is a walk in round-like closet. The lights are in a circle and the person tanning stands and rotates every few minutes.

The recommended time for the first tan is approximately 5-6 minutes. The next sessions may be a little longer, but may not exceed 20 minutes.

Even though Tanning Huts are much faster there are unanswered questions about their effects. Just like the sun, the ultraviolet rays dry out skin and destroy vitamins in the body. The rays are also very strong and harmful to the eyes, glasses must be worn for protection.

Many researchers are testing the effects, but because it is relatively new it is hard to determine what the lasting effects are.

It is proven that the sun gives out less harmful rays than the ultraviolet light, but both can be harmful.

So the next time you are thinking of hopping into a hut, stop and think about what you could be doing to your body.

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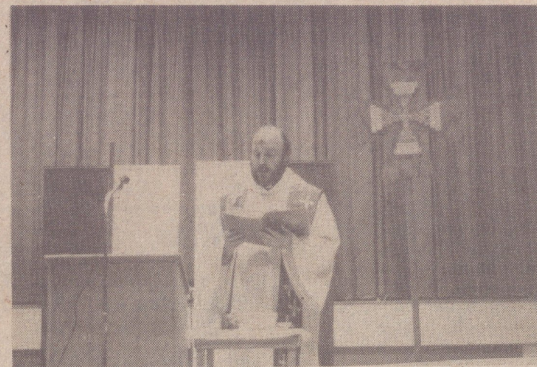


EASTER PASSES OVER SCOTUS!

By Cindy Krause

The Passover Meal was held on April 1st in the Scotus Cafeteria. This meal was sponsored by Campus Ministry and made by the Scotus Mother's Club.

At the beginning of this Lenten celebration was a mass. After the mass the passover meal was celebrated. This was different than a "normal" meal. Part of the meal consisted of bitter herbs (parsley dipped in salt water), grape juice, and unleavened bread (matzah). Words were spoken that helped to make the celebration a complete passover meal. The Passover Meal concluded with a dinner prepared by the Scotus Mother's Club.



EGG BABIES ARE HATCHED!

By Greg Jarecke

On March 20th eighteen egg babies were adopted in Mrs. Brozovsky's parenting class.

Each egg baby weighed approximately 3 ounces and the proud parents adopted the egg of their choice. Then the parent was supplied with the material to decorate their spanking new egg baby. After decorating the egg and giving it a personality, then they adopted a name for it.

I personally named my egg baby 'Spanky' and he was kind of a brat.

Most of the time he would behave, but sometimes he would be obnoxious as he liked to fight with Pat Kuta's egg baby named 'Harvey Wallbanger'; for obvious reasons.

Each parent was required to take care of their egg baby at all times for three days. The egg was to be treated like a real live baby and the parent was responsible for its well-being. This task is not as easy as it may sound. The egg baby had many dangers that the parent had to avoid. Some dangers were: 1.)

Having your baby roll off the desk. 2.) Getting your egg baby kidnapped. 3.) Dropping your baby. 4.) or dreadful egg baby haters who may try to scramble them.

If your egg baby was the victim of one of these dangers, the parent was liable and was charged with child abuse, and their grad reflects it.

Parenting an egg baby is not an easy job and parenting a real baby is even harder.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT IS RUNNING SMOOTHLY

by Greg Jarecke

The foreign language department is once again running smoothly this year under the leadership of Mr. Henry Deluna and Miss Jeanne Kiser. They both feel that the school year has gone very well thus far and are looking forward to the second semester with enthusiasm.

Mr. Deluna is in charge of the Spanish department and feels that his enrollment of students in the three levels of Spanish classes is very encouraging. Mr. Deluna teaches Spanish to 93 students; Spanish I to 59 students; Spanish II to 25 students; and Spanish III to 9 students.

Mr. Deluna has been teaching for 16 years and he likes to use a wide variety of class activities to benefit his students the most. During the class time the students are engaged in dialogues, skits, listening comprehension, and oral and writing comprehension. The students also go to engage in extra activities outside of the classroom as they participate in the annual Spanish fiesta which has become a tradition in the Spanish class. The Foreign Language Day in Lincoln is another activity students are able to take part in as approximately 40 students participated last year. In Lincoln the students get to compete with other students from across Nebraska in such activities as skits, songs, and also in a written test. Mr. Deluna feels that this activity is a great benefit to the students as it is a very good learning experience and, further-

more, he said, "It is an awareness of the popularity of foreign languages in other schools."

The Spanish Club is another good example of how students can become more active or involved in Spanish. Mr. Deluna feels the participation is excellent as there are about 60 members in the club. The officers of the Spanish Club are: Amy Liebenitt, Scott Heimes, Julie Hroza, and Kelly Nicolas.

The Spanish department also travels to Mexico for a first hand experience of the Spanish language during the summer if there is enough interest from the students. On the trip the students visit and tour Mexico City, Taxco, and Acapulco.

Miss Kiser is the head of the German department and she teaches 51 students German. German I has 26 students; German II had 15 students; and German III has 10 students. The German department is similar in class structure to that of Spanish as they are involved in dialogues, vocabulary, and many grammar exercises.

The German students get to participate in many extra activities in class also, as they cook, play games such as monopoly or German bingo, and they went to Omaha to see a German play and afterwards they went to the Old Market.

Although Miss Kiser hopes enrollment will increase in the future in her German classes she is quite proud of her students as there are 51 members in German Club and she has excellent participation in the club as they are very enthusiastic. There are also between 6 and 12 students planning on going to Germany

this summer for an experience of a lifetime. Credit for the success of German Club is also due to the fine leadership provided by the officers. The officers are: Lori Cimpl, Danelle Pinger, Ed Fehringer, and Jerry Szatko.

As head of the foreign language department Mr. Deluna feels that his department plays a very important role in the student's education. He reinforced his feelings by stating, "foreign languages add to a well-rounded education. In studying the culture of others it helps in the student's reading and grammar, and it also helps serve as a disciplinary course."

Mr. Deluna also acknowledged the fact that foreign language classes fill college requirements which are needed to graduate. This department is also becoming more important in that some college already require two years of foreign language to receive your diploma. He also thought it was important to get these credits taken care of in high school because it is easier, cheaper, and less time is involved.

Mr. Deluna foresees that there is going to be more of a requirement in foreign languages in the near future now that the United States is going more into foreign trade. This is helping our economy greatly and it is very essential, even in Columbus as more and more companies in Columbus are trading with foreign countries. Both Mr. Deluna and Miss Kiser look brightly on the thought of an increase in enrollment in their classes and are ready for the challenge.



SCIENCE DEPARTMENT EXPERIMENTS SCIENTIFICALLY

BY PATTY NIEDBALSKI

It is important to learn about science because it will help students deal with the new discoveries in the world everyday. New discoveries are happening all the time. For example, there are many kinds of computers now and knowing about them comes from science. Everyday scientists are discovering more about space, diseases, our bodies, and much more. It helps us, as humans, to know a little about what is going on, so we can keep up to date with other people, instead of falling behind in the Dark Ages.

There are different science classes taught here at Scotus. In junior high, life science and physical science are required for each student to take. In high school freshmen are required to take earth science. Earth science is a course designed to give the students an understanding and appreciation of the physical environment in which they live. Earth science is taught by Mr. Dan Mahoney. Mr. Mahoney is a well educated teacher with a good background in geology. He also has a master's degree.

As sophomores students are required to take a biology class. There are two types of biology classes here at Scotus, they are modern biology and action biology. Biology is a science dealing with the study of life. Modern biology is offered for students interested in some career related with science. It is a detailed class with four main units that are covered throughout the year. Action biology is a new class that puts emphasis on class activities and practical lab work dealing with everyday happenings. This class covers mainly the basics. Mr. Vern Younger teaches these classes along with human physiology.

Human physiology is an elective class offered to seniors. It is a branch of biology dealing with human body structures and functions. The class is lab-oriented with an emphasis placed on comparing normal functions and structures with abnormal functions and structures. Students planning on a career in medicine, physical education, physical therapy, athletic training or are very interested in science should plan to take this class.

Mr. Younger, head of the science department, has been at Scotus for eighteen years. He likes teaching and getting to know the students at small schools. He feels that as the students get older and are college-bound they look forward

to the classes more. Their attitude is more positive toward learning. Mr. Younger basically teaches life science. He went to Benedictine College in Atchison Kansas. He has taken summer classes and is now twenty seven hours above his bachelor's degree.

Chemistry, an elective class for juniors and seniors, is the study of atoms and their structures. Students study the periodic

solutions, and the state of matter. They also study various other things like the basics and safety procedures of experiments. Mrs. Sharon Swanson teaches chemistry. Mrs. Swanson has a strong background in chemistry and physics.

Physics is also an elective class for seniors. Physics deals with the relation between matter and energy in the major areas of force and motions, heat, nuclear energy, sound, light, electricity and magnetism. Students planning to take engineering courses will find physics helpful. Mr. Sam Urwiller teaches the physics class. He is new at Scotus this year. Mr. Urwiller is a native Nebraska who came to Columbus from California. He is also the junior high eighth grade physical science teacher. Mrs. Barbara Malicky, Mrs. Swanson, and Mr. Younger also teach science in the junior high.

The science department gets their equipment from the school budget on a "what we need basis". The Mothers Club also helps out the department. The science department is growing in many ways. This year there is an Astronomy Club. The Astronomy Club is sponsored by Mr. Mahoney and Mr. Urwiller. The club has had two outings so far this year. They also have some upcoming outings, and they feel the members are very excited and enjoy them. Also this year the science department has received a skeleton, new microscopes, and scales. An event coming up for seniors in February is the donating of blood.

Science is the observation, identification, description, experimental investigation, and theoretical explanation of natural phenomena. Science will help in many ways as we grow older. Everyone should have a positive attitude toward learning it. To complete the requirement for graduation, twenty credits are to be passed in science.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT VOCALIZES!

by: Colleen Krzycki

Mrs. Ginny Schnabel is currently the vocal music teacher for the junior and senior high levels at Scotus. She has been teaching here at Scotus for six years this year. Mrs. Schnabel thinks that the students she has worked with here at Scotus have been fun to work with. She said that they are hard-working, responsive, supportive, and loyal to her. They also have the desire and drive to be "excellent" and to perform to the best of their abilities. "They have never let me down," replied Mrs. Schnabel.

The classes that are offered in the music program on the senior high level are: concert choir, swing choir, and girls' glee. Concert choir is a mixture of boys and girls in grades ten thru twelve. Girls' glee is an all girls performance group. The girls can be in grades nine thru twelve. Swing chori is a select group of girls that are in the grades of ten, eleven, and twelve. Tryouts are required for girls wanting to be in Swing choir. The girls are to sing in front of Mrs. Schnabel and other judges. Usually two songs are done. One is a dance number. Voice range scales are also sung by the girls.

In order for a student to participate in the music program, each student must have a desire to sing and to be in a group and do their best. On the junior high level, the students of both seventh and eighth grade are required to be in music for one quarter. The classes rotate every nine weeks.

In the music learning process, certain areas are covered to help the student better in learning the parts of music he or she has to sing. The senior high classes study rhythm, dynamics, and the tone of the music. The ability to learn how to sing parts of music and expressive singing are also important in learning about music.

The junior high classes study music notes, correct rhythm and beats, directing, and different music terms. The students are also exposed to a variety of songs. A music instrument called the omnichord is used in teaching the classes, and the students learn how to play it.



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MRS. SCHNABEL: MUSIC INSTRUCTOR

Testing in music on the senior high level consists of tone production, quality of voice, and how well the students have learned his or her part. In the junior high, the students are given written tests covering terms, information from songs they've learned, and the depiction of notes.

Grading is the same on both levels. The junior high and senior high students are graded on attitude, participation, behavior, and testing.

The music classes don't practice for the music concerts only. Each group has performed for something rather than just concerts. Concert choir performs for school masses, and this year, they performed for the Veterans' Day Observance. Girls' glee performs for the masses held at school also. Swing choir has performed for many different organizations. The Knights of Columbus, Rotary, Sertoma, and different clubs.

In music students earn points for being in a music class and a letter is awarded after 300 points are earned. The students also get points for going to the concerts and the many music clinics that are attended. If a certain student performs as a soloist or in small groups such as duets or trios, points are also earned. Being a music officer or attending a

music camp is another way to earn points. After a letter is earned, the students receive pins for the points earned in later years.

Music does not require a lot of a student's free time unless he or she is a soloist, pianist, or dancer. These students practice before and after school, the numbers they will perform. The only group that practices before, during, and after school, is swing choir. Since the class only meets two times a week, and performs twice as much as the other groups, extra practice is required.

Some prospects for the future of the music program are and increased number of students in girls glee and concert choir. But the stage needs new curtains and all music groups need new risers to perform on.

In going on to college, music classes in the high school years makes a person more well-rounded as an individual. The student is also exposed to performance in front of an audience. Self expression is also brought out in singing.

As the year progresses, groups get better and better. The students understand what good vocal sound is and what is required to be a good vocal group.

PAT EXPERIENCES THE SATURDAY MORNING BLUES!!

Have you ever woke up on the wrong side of the bed on a Saturday morning. I have, and believe me it was a splitting headache experience. I fell out of bed on the wrong side and hit my head on a small table next to the bed. I proceeded crawling up the stairs, heading into the restroom to pour visine into my bloodshot eyes. I began to brush my teeth only to be caught gagging because I grabbed the shampoo tube instead of the toothpaste tube. Washing the shampoo out of my mouth and jumping into the shower, I let out a yelping scream because my mother and sisters used all the hot water up. Boy was that a chilling experience!

Finally, after a close breakfast and a cold shave I started dressing and

putting on some deodorant only to have my arms start sticking together. Oops! I grabbed the hair spray can instead of the Right Guard.

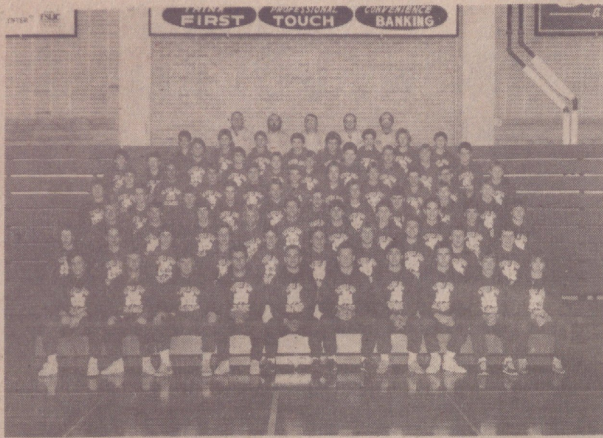
Driving downtown to do some carousing, I found a parking place only to have someone cut in front of me to steal it. So I parked in another parking stall and when I came back I found a ticket on my car because I was parked there two hours and five minutes. A sign I did not see said I could only be there two hours.

But, my bad luck was just half over as I went to McDonalds, ordered my food, only to present them with a Burger King coupon. I went to a local department store to buy a new shirt for my cousin's wedding and when I went home to

put it on a sleeve to my surprise was an inch longer than the other.

I thought I better stay home so my bad luck would end. I became bored so I decided to record a tape off an album. When I finally was done recording it I tried to play it back, no sound! I forgot to push the dubbing switch on. So I gave up that idea for the day. I ate supper which was the only thing that went right. I was going to watch my favorite program on television that night but all that was on was a political convention so I went to bed. When I woke up in the morning I was glad that all this was just a dream, but you never can tell when this sort of day could come upon you.

Jokingly yours,
Pat Kuta



SCOTUS BOYS' TRACK TEAM SHAMROCKS TAKE IT IN STRIDE

By Mark Love

The annual Scotus Relays took place on a cold, windy afternoon of March 29.

The weather conditions did not seem ideal for records to be broken. But Scotus fought the odds and broke three records. They broke the shot-put, long jump, and triple jump records.

Karl Hroza and Jeff Podraza each had outstanding performances. Hroza hit a career best in the triple jump as he jumped 44-4½ and jumped 21-4 in the long jump. Jeff

Podraza jumped 42-10 in the triple jump and led all jumpers in the long jump with a 21-8 effort.

The other record to fall was in the shot-put. Led by Todd Jarecke the weightmen beat the old record by 1-2½. Jarecke tossed a season best 51-0.

Scotus dominated the meet as they won six out of the eleven events, and finished no worse than third in any event.

The final scoring for the meet is as follows: Scotus 120, North Bend 32, Pierce 74, and Aquinas 62.

NEW PEP CLUB OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

By Patty Niedbalski

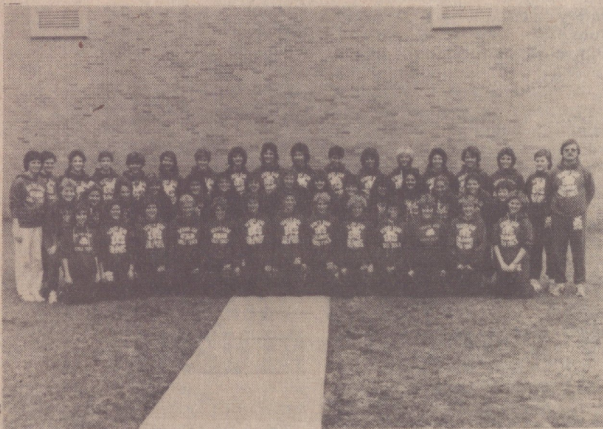
The 1984-85 Pep Club is now the past. On March 28th the last pep club meeting of the year was held in the Little Theater. The main purpose of the meeting was the voting of next years officers. Each girl that tried out for an office had to give a short speech saying pep club meant to them and why

they would like to be an officer.

The results were:

President-Jill Reiser
Treasurer-Michelle Quattrocchi
Vice President-Lori Arlt
Secretary-Amy Hefti

Also the last squad leader meeting was held on April 3rd. The squad sheets were handed in and so the bars and pins will be handed out as soon as possible.



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SCOTUS GIRLS' TRACK TEAM



SCOTUS GOLF TEAM

GOLFERS SWING INTO ACTION

By Lisa Spencer

The 1984-85 golf season started out during the later part of March. The Shamrock golfers are relatively young and inexperienced having only one senior, Terry Gronenthal. It takes a total team effort to make a unified team. Due to the fact that there is only one senior this means that the juniors have to take a leading roll also.

There are 5 junior golfers and they all have the capability of becoming some quality golfers. The junior golfers are: Lori Cimple, Matt Hansen, Matt Jilek, Jon Cremers, Doug Dohmen. The juniors have set some great goals for this year

and are very optimistic about next year.

Underclassmen dominate this years golf team referring to abundance. The underclassmen are: Tom Jackson, Tom VanBerg, Brian Jurneus, Sara Whitehead, Jim Schieffer, Ed Feheringer, Joe Tooley, Steve Soulliere, Ron Zornes, Mike Reieschoff. But in golf, the motto is "quality and not quantity." Due to the bad weather, the first golf tournament was cancelled. Districts in golf will be held May 9 at the Elks Country Club and by this time all the Shamrock golfers should be putting up to par.

GIRLS' TRACK TEAM OFF AND RUNNING!

by Colleen Krzycki

The girls track team of the 1984-85 season started with the Doane Indoor Invitational on March 16. The team placed 9th out of 13 teams. Another indoor track meet that the girls attended was the Kearney Invitational. The girls placed 3rd out of 12 teams.

In the Madison dual on March 20, the Scotus team defeated Madison with a score of 76 to 60. On March 29, Scotus Relays were held at Pawnee Park. The girls team performed very well and placed 1st for the first time ever.

The girls next meet was the West Point Invitational held on April 2. The girls team placed 3rd out of 14 teams. On April 4th, a dual between Scotus and Aquinas led the girls to a 83 to 52 victory over the Monarchs.

Mr. Mahoney is very pleased with the team's performances so far. He feels Scotus has a

very good girls track team with a tremendous amount of depth. He also said that the team has alot of good kids scoring well, and that there is no one superstar on the team. The two seniors have done a great job in leadership for the whole team.

There have been a few outstanding performances by individuals so far. Kelli Martin has improved her shot record to 34 4½, and discusto 106.2. Carrie Staroscik is running excellent times in to 800. Julie Hroza ran her best time in the hurdles event. Anette Sueper ran the two mile run in 1230.6, five seconds of score. Amy Liebenritt threw her best throw in the discus of 91 feet and Pam Hroza is the number 1 long jumper at the moment, and is running hurdles and the 200 meter dash very well.

The team is to be commended on the excellent performances so far this year.

GIRLS TENNIS BEGINS

By Donna Schieffer

April 2 was the beginning of the 1985 girls intramural tennis team. Mr. Hixon is the instructor for the team. The practices take place at the Pawnee Park tennis courts. Practices are held on Monday thru Wednesday at 6:15 - 8:00.

This is the second year for girls intramural tennis. Twelve students are out this year. Many tournaments are being set up, and there is plenty of room for interested students.

If interested contact Mr. Hixon. The cost for the entire season is \$15.00. This is used for court rental and tournament trophies.

SENIOR COUNTDOWN

By Todd Peterson

The senior countdown. Yes it's drawing nearer, graduation is just about a month away. The anticipation is in the air, and the Scotus seniors are setting their sites on bigger and better things.

Time is running out to decide what you are going to do come next fall. Most of the seniors are planning on going to college, some are going to get full time jobs and a few are going to try and find it in Columbus.

This is most definitely the busiest time of the year for the Scotus seniors, and with only about 15 school days left in the year it leaves very little time to enjoy your last year with the class of '85.

CHECKING OUT PROM

By Geri Hilger

Again the time of year has come to prepare for the 1985 prom. The junior class has been very busy making plans and organizing prom. For all the students attending prom, many preparations are made also. The following is my own check list to a safe and successful prom with or without a date:

1. Gather all your life savings
 2. Decide whether you are having a date or not
 3. Make all plans for the night
 4. Find a dress or a tux
 5. Wash the car and vacuum
 6. Get a hair cut & or styled
 7. Order flowers
 8. Get ready for the night
 9. Take pictures with your date
 10. Be on time to prom
 11. Try to be home at reasonable time
- Prom can be a very special night for everyone that attends. Whether you go with friends or with a date, just sit back and relax and have a great and memorable night.

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STUDENTS SEE D.C. CLOSE-UP



By Mark Love

The Close-Up program in Washington, D.C. was attended by ten Scotus students and sponsor, Mr. Zowasa.

Their days ran from 9:00 AM to about 10:00 PM. They had to be in their rooms by eleven, and there were security guards on all floors making sure the kids didn't leave their rooms.

Most of their days consisted of lectures and workshops. The lectures would last for about 1-1 1/2 hours. Students role played different government situations and then were divided into ten different

workshop groups.

They stayed at the Sheraton Hotel in Arlington Virginia, right across the Potomac from Washington, D.C.

A lot was learned about the government situations. They learned about various problems that face our country and students had the chance to ask questions. They saw and talked to their senators and congressmen.

They didn't have a whole lot of time to themselves until the last day, when they were given 7 1/2 hours to themselves. Most of the students went to see Georgetown.

Highlights of the trip included seeing a play called 42nd Street, Arlington National Cemetery and Georgetown.

The group was made up of kids from South Carolina, Ohio, and Nebraska. More than half was made from Nebraska students.

The students who attended the trip from Scotus were: Missy Grohs, Matt Jilek, Mary Sojka, Ann Bernt, Chris Melcher, Lisa Labenz, John Riley, Recky Engelbert, Michelle Ruzicka, Michelle Quattrocchi, and Donna Bierman.



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WHAT MAKES A SCOTISTICS EDITOR TICK?

Todd Peterson

This year the Scotistics newspaper has been a real success. It's a tribute to the whole Scotistics staff. But there are a couple members who probably deserve a little more credit, they are the editors, Colleen Krzycki and Cindy Krause. Colleen and Cindy are a very essential part of the newspaper, simply because they take care of so many important jobs, jobs that nobody knows about.

Some of their jobs include; writing stories, taking care of paste up and the layout, writing headlines for others who don't, and also taking the paper to the Pawnee Scout and the Columbus Telegram. They are also in charge of distribution of the paper.

I asked Colleen and Cindy

how they liked being the editors, and they told me that they really enjoyed it, and considered it a real learning experience. But at times it could be very difficult and they admitted that they did have their dislikes.

But besides the problems they both really enjoy being editors. I asked both Colleen and Cindy if they could sum up the year as Scotistics editors in just one simple statement. This is what they said. Colleen: "it was a real challenge". Cindy: "it was fun and exciting but, it was alot of hard work."

No next time when you read the Scotistics newspaper, give a little thought to the people behind the scenes, Colleen and Cindy-our hard working editors.

GALA ROCKS AND ROLLS TO A SUCCESS!

By Patty Niedbalski

The Spring Gala was held on April 20th, 1985. It is one of the major fund raisers for our school. The theme was "The Nifty Fifties." The chairpersons were Mr. and Mrs. Don Heimes and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Labenz. Admission was \$25.00 per person, and approximately 400 people attended.

The night started at 6:30 with a silent auction. There were about 100 items and people walked around and wrote

down bids. At 8:00 the food lines opened and around 8:30 there was entertainment by the Flag Corps. The Flag Corps danced to three numbers from the Fifties.

Many of the people dressed up, that really made the night exciting. After dinner of hamburgers, french fries, and a coke they watched a film of a story of Scotus. The Grand Auction began around 9:15 with the raffle drawing following. A dance followed with the sound of 50's music.



STUDENTS COMPETE WELL AT CONTEST

By Colleen Krzycki

Congratulations to all the Music students who participated in the music contest at Platte College. The ratings were:

Swing Choir |
Mixed Ensemble |
Girls Triple Trio |
Colleen Krzycki (solo) |

Donna Schieffer (solo) |
Jill Rieser (solo) |
Donna Schieffer & Jill Rieser (duet) |
Shannon McGuire and Laura Beerbohm (duet) |
Pam Jarecke (solo) ||
Lisa Wemhoff (solo) ||
Girls Glee |||



EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

SENIORS SAY GOOD-BYE

By Cindy Krause

As the Senior Class of '85 says Good-bye to Scotus Central Catholic, they want to say "Thanks" for all of the memories that have been brought forth from the past twelve years. There have been good times and there have also been bad times. The laughter that's been shared and, of course, the tears and sad feelings will always be cherished in the hearts of these sixty-four people.

As everyone goes their ways, we all say to "Keep in touch" and always remember me. As this good-bye is written, a tear is shed for all of the times that "could-have-been" and for all of those that "will-be."

A word of advice for the upcoming senior: Try to be friends, enjoy the times that you have together, and whatever you do, and make your senior year the best possible. Too often classes drift apart, and the senior year is hard to live through; but, if you're together as one, then the dreams for the class can become much more of a reality. It's time to say a final farewell, and, as the time goes so quickly by, remember, classmates, "To begin at once to live, and count each day as a separate life."

DON'T YOU FORGET ABOUT US!

By Colleen Krzycki

As graduation nears, the seniors begin to feel many different things. I for one am having a tough time realizing that the time is finally here. The little girl that used to run around playing childish pranks and just being silly is all grown up and ready to face the world on her own. College seems like such a big step from the small town high school. Hanging around with close friends, will change to discovering different types of people from all over. Just thinking about leaving the people I grew up with and not seeing them for a long time brings tears to my eyes. I'll be all alone in the college world. It's scary to think going to a new school with four to five times as many people as I knew in high school.

But most of all, it seems that the hardest part is leaving everything and everyone behind. Right now, the seniors seem to be saying that they "can't wait to get out of this place", or "I'm sick of this school," but deep down inside we all are struggling to face the fact that we are leaving.

The Class of '85' is separating. But we all have to hold on to the fact that in 5 years we will see each other once again. See ya in 1990!

A LOOK IN THE PAST: SENIOR HISTORY

Although our senior year is near an end, we seniors begin to gather together and talk about some of the wild things we did in our past. Some people do not have the ability to remember as far back as kindergarten, but with a little help memories may pop into your mind. Kindergarten was always a time for show and tell... Some memories from the senior class are: Letter-day... Tammy's hiccups in the music concert... Patty's baton... Michelle bruner bringing her fingernail to show and tell. These are just a few memories of our younger years.

The years fly by so fast and before you know it everything is gone except the wonderful memories. Grade school was a giant for some people but for others it was just another day in school. Some of the senior memories are: Playing king of the mountain... Cleaning and throwing erasers... Dina M. and John Sojka in the closet... Darly Hiltner... Tracy Kretz's slumber party... Field trips to many different cities... Homemade haunted houses in the social hall... Girls' and their wonderful hair styles... Jody Custor's slumber party.

As we get older around 4th grade little romances and flames begin to arouse. You could always find a little romance at the rollerskating ring during the "Kentucky Steel"... Schieffer's romance with Mike Quattrocchi in 5th grade... Michelle Bruner chasing Brian Z... Bicentennial day... Winnie-the-pooch play... George Washington play's... Wearing ugly socks with school uniforms... Sister Plaudia's flying erasers.

Fun times at Junior Fire Patrol... Sister Rose Margaret... Mrs. Becker's "sweater"... Pat losing his hair... Playing our flutes... Safety Patrol... Hatching chickens... Guinea pigs... Sister "Pluff"loritta... and last but not least the St. Anthony's Fall Festival.

Now is the time when we began to separate, some went to Scotus and some to Columbus High. Junior high was a whole new atmosphere for us, we were at the bottom of the pedestal again. Always being so scared to go down to the 2nd and 3rd floors, we usually stayed right where we were. The memories begin from 7th grade: Box Car Willy

G.... The pictures Sheri K. found... Kelly V. plastered against Pizza Hust wall... Kelly's curls... Pizza Hut... All-sports day... Throwing pizza at Godfather's walls... Romances... "Who are you?"... Duren carrying the pumpkin... and whoops don't fall Todd... "To Kill A Mockingbird."

Down the steps we go to high school and now we are big stuff, but not really because we were terrified of the seniors (something not know from today's underclassmen)... Starting with 9th grade our memories are easier for us to look back upon... Driving around with Mike Bener... Our first Homecoming... Geri's buffalo head... Pam and Brian out on the deck... Centennial park... Baby-cakes... Steve and Gina giving slow-dance lessons at Spence's... "Romeo and Juliet"... Dangerous bike rides... (Spence stay on the seat.)

10th grade brought... Weiland's Sweetheart party... OM Club... Vernology... Pro's attempt to hurdle the volleyball net... "I'm Chevy Chase and you're not..."

11th grade brought... The Fair... Digging basements...

Boy's and Girl's Staters-Tami Zuerlein and Keith Neal... Lassek filling the bath tub up... Prom-A Night To Remember... Bonk's act of mercy... Kritter's Christmas party... Ruzicka's Sweetheart party... Spence's B-day party at Wagner...

Now we are seniors and there are many great memories such as River excursions... False fire alarms... 7-Knights Motel... The fogger... Snowballs at Kring's house... STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPS... Michelle B's house... remember Michelle... Genesis concert... Trips to Lincoln... Homecoming bonfire... Girl's sunbathing... O'Hearn's...New Years' at Ebners... Senior Retreat... Bonk-gone fishing... Samurai... Cheap Trick in Kearney... Kiss Concert... College days... Playing pukers... Kuta's Thursday mornings... State B-ball... TEC... Bruce in concert... Bruises on the neck... The Pretzels... and last but not least the Research Paper... Even though there are bad times we will always remember the good ones. The time flies by so fast so something to remember for the underclassmen is to make the best of the times before it is all over.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING THIS SUMMER?

By Greg Jarecke

Pat Kuta - got to find a woman, got to find a woman, just got to find a woman.
Jeff Lassek - work and play.
Paul Shotkoski - beat Lassek and play, then work.
Mark Love - play baseball and catch one on the bench with Placzek.
Todd Peterson - check the Lake North scene out.
Steve Bonk - play Johnny Rambo.
Todd Jarecke - help Pat Kuta out to find his woman.
Donna Schieffer - Wind surfe at Pawnee Park lake.
Jeff Podraza - babysit Spanky.
Bill Soulliere - go to summer school at Milford.
Mic Ruzicka - water ski and party.
Kelly Votova - indulge in every activity ever discovered.
Mark Krings - work, play softball and hand around with my bud all summer so I can become wiser.
John Mielak - be a bagboy at HyVee.
Rick Zoucha - buzz like a bee.

Kathy Hellbusch - head out to California.
Doug DeMuth - look for a job.
Mike Ebner - play farmer.
Robert Miller - study.
Colleen Krzycki - anything that I can possibly do.
Fr. Joe - fly.
Mike Sand - go to China.
Jeanne Jarecke - go to World's of Fun with Paula and Patty.
Donna Bernt - go to the smash up derby.

Debbie Pensick - go to the lake.
Rhonda Gonka - fulfilling mine and Kari Haider's goals.
Lori Sokol - bike ride across Nebraska.
Julie Hroza - you know.
Diane Zornes - go to Rick's cabin.
Paul Placzek - play a baseball among other things.
Mrs. Went - play farmer's wife.

Todd Duren - haul garbage with Tracy.
Tracy Duren - haul garbage with Todd.
Cory Borer - party.
Michaelle Kubler - stay out of people's lives.
Jodi Peterson - stay as far away from Todd as I can so I don't get his bad habits.
Tami Zuerlein - play Barbies.
Kim Shotkoski - it's a secret.

SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT OFFERS A WIDE VARIETY OF EXCITEMENT

by Jeff Lassek

The social studies department this year is running with ease again. Mr. Mahoney is head teacher of this department and says that everything is going along as planned.

Classes are divided into 2 divisions history and how society acts alone and in public. The history classes include: world geography, nebraska and american west, civics, world civilization, geography of the Societ Union, american history before and after 1865, and american political thought. The classes that teach about society's behavior are: sociology, psychology, modern problems, and economics.

Some classes are required to be taken in a certain grade. Classes in the junior high are world geography in seventh grade, and nebraska and the american west in eighth grade. In senior high the required classes are one semester of civics as a freshman. A As a sophomore, junior, or a

senior the students are required to take 30 credit hours of social studies including an american history class either before or after 1865, plus the freshman civics class.

Teachers involved in this department are: Mr. Mahoney, mr. Jim Puetz, Mr. Gary Puetz, Mr. Zowada, and Father Wayne. Each teacher teaches their own separate class. In the junior high, Mr. Gary Puetz teaches eighth grade nebraska and the american west. While in the senior high Mr. Mr. Jim Puetz teaches american history, modern problems and seventh grade world geography. Mr. Zowada teaches civics, world civilization, sociology, psychology, economics, and american political thought. Mr. Mahoney teaches a world geograhpy class, geography of the Soviet Union, and modern problems. Father Wayne also teaches an extra american history class this semester.

Social studies classes function just as other classes as they are lectured oriented with students taking notes, guest speakers, and discussion groups.

The main role of the social studies department takes in teaching students is to inform citizenship, make intelligent decisions, and to understand whats going on. Teachers have taken special indormsent classes while they were at college, so they can teach certain social studies.

The books for this department are chosen by the teacher, Mr. Mahoney, and the principal.

The department also has some extra-curricular activities outside of class. Such activities are a Mock Trial competition held during the year, and a group of students to Washington D.C. for the Close-Up Program. It helps them to learn about our government. Juniors participate in County Government Day, and they go to the Platte County Courthouse for a day. The eighth graders visit the Stuhr Museum in Grand Island.

There are no future plans for the department, except to keep teaching the kids the best possible way they can. Mr. Mahoney calls the department "a very stable one" as the teachers have all been around for awhile.

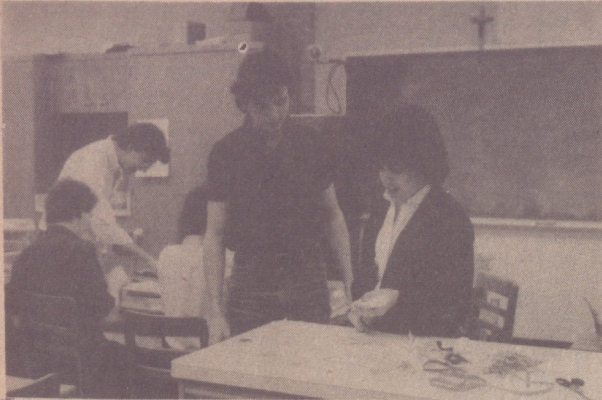
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HOME EC DEPARTMENT BRINGS ACTIVITIES TO SCOTUS



Donna Schieffer

The Home Ec department is bringing activities to a close for this year. The parenting class, taught by Mrs. Brozovsky, put on a preschool for children ages 4 to 5. The preschool lasted 3 days and was a very learning experience for both the children and students.

Some of the activities included games, discussions and demonstrations by the parenting class.

The main theme taught, was on dental care. Dental care begins when children are very young and the children learned the basics of keeping healthy teeth and gums. They were shown how the teeth could be brushed and flossed, and what foods and drinks are

needed for keeping healthy teeth. The class worked hard to achieve their goal.

Children need a lot of care and having them come to school gave them a learning atmosphere and a sense of importance and responsibility. The children learned while having fun.

Bringing the children, also helped them to be aware of others around them and make new friends. The students also learned something about caring for children, the work involved, and made them realize that children are a 24 hour job, and parents are 24 hour teachers.

Both the children and students benefited from this project.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT COVERS READING AND WRITING

By: Donna Schieffer

The English department at Scotus is very educational and has been proven to be very beneficial for students. English is a course relevant to students at each level in grammar and literature. Grammar involves the use and awareness of sentence structure, capitalization, and punctuation.

Literature studies short stories, plays, and novels, from the past up to the present.

English begins at the jr. high level. This program deals with all aspects of basic grammar, spelling skills, reading, comprehension, creative writing, literature, and speech. The junior high students are exposed to novels such as: The Red Badge of Courage, Johnny Tremain, The Christmas Carol, and To Kill A Mockingbird.

The freshmen level studies the parts of speech, basic sentence patterns, compositions, capitalization, punctuation, and library skills. The literature includes: non-fiction, fiction, poetry, plays, the novel, and vocabulary building. The freshmen read: The Pearl, Animal Farm, and My Antonia.

At the sophomore level, grammar includes separate units in parts of speech, writing sentences, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling. The literature includes: non-fiction, fiction, poetry, plays, the novel, and vocabulary building. The novels read are: Lord of the Flies and A Separate Peace. The composition includes writing several types of paragraphs, short compositions, and writing in

response to literature.

English for juniors consists of a review of English 10 and aims at perfection in writing sentences, punctuation, and spelling. The literature focuses on notable American writers from the past up through the present. Types of literature include short stories, essays, plays, novels, and poetry. Junior novels include: The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, and The Great Gatsby.

English 12 is divided into two classes, English A and English B. Both classes study areas in english literature and composition. The literature includes studies of English writers and covers the periods through modern drama, short stories, poetry and novels. 12 A will read: Black Elk Speaks and Siddhartha. 12B reads, The Chosen. The composition includes punctuation, paragraph writing, composition and a term paper.

All english classes include many extra films, and outside projects that will benefit the students knowledge in the areas of english.

Classes in english are taught by teachers who have been endorsed in at least a 30-50 hour english major.

The department wrote curriculums in 1982 and this determines what will be taught in each course.

Teachers in the english department are: Mrs. Bstandig, Mr. Hixon, Mrs. Kobus, Mrs. Boesch, and Mrs. Berrd.

There are a lot of good things going on in the english department. It is getting better every year.

By Jeff lassek

In the consumerism class of Mrs. B's. The students had an opportunity to try to stay within their weekly budget. In other words "try to save some of their money."

At first they were told to keep a record of what they have spend during a week's period. Unfortunately for most of us guys this included the weekend of State Basketball, and a lot of money was spent on everything. So then for me the week was a bad week for saving money. My total bill on that week was \$46.00. Everyone else was around this amount to as we all took lots of trips to 7-11. After we figured out what we spent the week before, we were then told to balance a budget for the week

ahead, making sure that we don't spend over what we earn for income that week. This was the hard part as to how much to put into a certain area. Like for me, I could only spend a certain amount on foods and lurps. This was where my biggest bill was the week before, so I allowed the most money to be spent in this particular category.

After I wrote out my budget and figured out my income (which isn't much except for the Saturday morning garbage route); then I set out a goal on how much I should spend and save. After long hours of crossing out and refiguring, I finally came out to a total of \$25.77 to be spent that week. As the week passed I

realized I am not spending too much money, maybe I was afraid to go over my income, kinda like the government on their big deficit. So, then at the end of the week, I figured it all up and I spent a total of \$18.00. So you can see, I did save some money probably because I wanted a good grade.

All in all it was a worthwhile project as money was saved and it served an experience for future usage. Even though sacrifices were heavy I did accomplish something: if you spend more than you make (especially if you have a wife), then you are going to have money problems. So I suggest you plan out a budget, and if you have any question just ask Pat K. for the details.

PET PEEVES TO PONDER: PART II

By Laurie Kennedy

After writing my last month's column, I realized that my list of pet peeves was longer than I had anticipated. So-here's a few added extras:

1. When your boyfriend makes you drink water at a restaurant on a date-everytime you go out.
2. When people crunch on ice and make it sound like an avalanche on Mt. Everest.
3. When you are driving with someone who stops at every intersection on a thru street
4. When a guy carries a vent brush in his back pocket.
5. When you go to 7-11 with a guy to get nachos and he gets extra jalapeno peppers and then he wants you to kiss him goodnight.
6. When my 6 month old niece crawls on the floor and you have

to tiptoe around the wet spots.

7. When you go to the movie and the couple behind you are carrying on a 2 hour conversation
8. When you go to the movie and the show 2 rows ahead of you is better than the one on the screen.
9. When the passenger of your car changes the mirror so they can see out, which means you can't.
10. People who are late.
11. The time lapse after the light turns green and the car ahead decides to go.
12. When underclassmen have no respect.
13. When there's no toilet paper left.
14. When your mom decides to wash the clothes when you are taking a shower.
15. When your little sister borrows your sweater and stretches it out the one place you wish you could
16. When you wake up and find

For Sale signs in your front yard.

17. When your mom gets so excited when a guy actually calls for you, that she forgets to ask him what his name is and he doesn't call back.
18. When there are more males clawing at your front door for your cat than there are for you.
19. T.G. in 6th period English. (J.K. Terry)
20. When the person sitting next to you in church is five lines ahead of everyone else on the Profession of Faith.
21. When you are playing pool at the Corner Pocket and have managed to sink 3 consecutive shots when a good-looking guy decides to stop and watch. Trying to impress him with your expertise, you miss the cue ball. But since I'm not one to complain--I'll end my pet peeves here.

ART DEPARTMENT WORKS CREATIVELY

By Pat Kuta

The art department consists of not one or two classes but several. Miss Kiser, head of this department, said that everything is running smoothly this year. She is the teacher of all the art classes. These classes are: painting, drawing, pottery, and design.

Miss Kiser did not just use a high school diploma to get where she is today. She attended college at the University of Nebraska for nine years. During these years she had taken every form of art available. The first four years was for her bachelor's degree. The next two years she attended graduate school. After completing this, she spent another three years in law school. She has taught school for ten years.

Miss Kiser teaches both the junior high and senior high students here at Scotus Central Catholic. She teaches the seventh grade students elementary print and an introduction to art terms. They are also lightly briefed on all different means of art such as painting and drawing. The eighth

grade students enter a more advanced form of these artistic forms.

Miss Kiser wishes the art facilities could be improved. But, the Scotus students should realize they are lucky even to have an art curriculum such as ours.

The objectives of the art classes here at Scotus are to let the students enjoy art without the worry of being a great artist.

Art provides the students an opportunity to appreciate beautiful creations. They also need to develop a feeling for the person who created it.

Miss Kiser hopes that the Scotus students learn to get ride of uptightness about art. She wants the students to learn that their pictures do not have to turn out to be "awesome." She hopes the students can know how to create whether it be pottery, painting or drawing with ink, just so they learn the different techniques.

The different senior high classes for art are: design, drawing, pottery and painting.

In design the students learn and

draw color theories. They design packaging such as on advertising logos. The students are also briefed on leathering and creating posters.

The painting class uses water colors and acrylics, they also concentrate hardest on oil paintings which is expensive, but Miss Kiser feels she "teaches it the best out of the rest of the art classes."

The pottery class deals with two different types of making pottery creations. They are hand-built pottery and wheel-thrown pottery. The students create basic bowls, ash trays or build their own imaginative artwork.

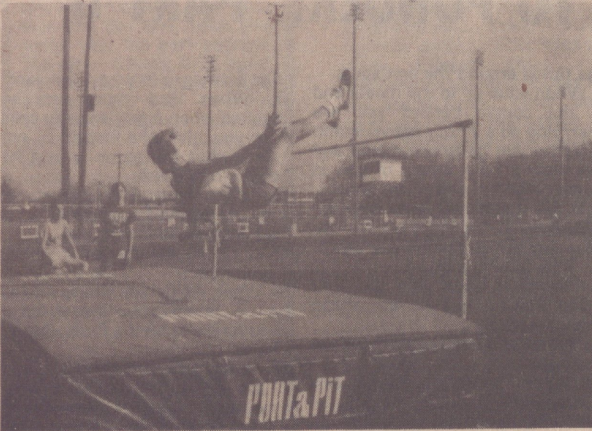
In the last art class which is drawing, students are introduced to the different types of media. They also learn how to choose the best picture and know how to draw it.

In the future, the art department hopes to have a change within the curriculum that allows the students to take a basic art class before entering the four main areas designated for art.



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JEFF'S REACHING FOR THE SKY!



PHOTOGRAPHY BY PAT KUTA

ERNIE'S IS UP AND OVER!

SHAMROCKS ARE ON A ROLL!

By Mark Love

The Shamrock 1985 track season was one of triumph and excellence.

The Rocks showed their strength early at the Boys' Town Invitational and continued their quest all year long. The Shamrocks, returning big guns from last year's team, but with very few seniors seemed to take control of things.

With the help of the underclassmen, the Shamrocks seem to be potential State Champions.

The captured the Scotus

Relays and Knights of Columbus meets. They finished second at the North Bend Invite and third at the G.I. Northwest Invite. They won all their duals and placed many of the athletes on the Class B and all around charts in the best of the state week in and week out.

Couch Puetz always said, "when you run on your own track, you already have an automatic 30 points." Well if that proves to be true, good things will happen during the Conference and District meets.

THE WORLD ACCORDING TO BONK!

On May 23rd, Steve Bonk a graduate of Scotus Central Catholic class of 1985 will be boarding a plane bound for Fort Benning in Georgia. Steve will be participating in basic training for the National Guard for twelve grueling weeks. Steve will be long remembered during this summer as some of his highly unique theories come to mind. He is continuously contradicting normal behavior and thought. A few such theories are:

1. The Pencil Theory - "Do you use a mechanical pencil or a wooden pencil? Most use a mechanical pencil. Steve was quick to point out that the wooden pencil is

slowly becoming extinct as the mechanical pencil is gradually taking over, and also Steve wonders how come the ball point pen has not been improved yet.

2. Crack Theory - Steve fears that the San Andreas fault in California is going to spread over the whole world engulfing society, which in turn will make us live like moles.
3. Dirt Theory - another theory is that all the dirt on the earth that has been here since creation is not eroding like scientists think. Steve figures that dirt never erodes it just gets blown around to different places.
4. Destruction of the Earth

Theory - as the earth is constantly being washed away into the ocean the earth is getting smaller and gravity is going to pull the earth into the sun and we are all going to get fried.

Steve gave all of us here at Scotus an interesting look at life and some fun times with he beliefs in mind over matter by constantly swimming in water with a temperature of 30 below. Steve, the students here at Scotus especially the senior class, hope you have a good future in store for you and we're backing you 100%, so "Go get them Commies."

Sincerely yours,
Pvt. Patrick A. Kuta

EASTER VACATION:

LASSEK HITS THE SLOPES!

By Jeff Lassek

The Easter vacation this year for me was out of the traditional Easter celebration our family previously celebrated.

The reason is that our family and Duren's headed west Thursday morning for the mountains and hit the slopes. This was a first time vacation for both families.

The trip started out at 8:00 AM Thursday. We all tried packing our overpacked suitcases. After we were all packed in the van started heading west. When we got to Kearney, Nebraska we picked up Doug Duren who went along with us.

The ride to Loveland, Colorado was interesting as the mom's brought luncheon meats of all kinds so that we can make our favorite sandwiches. There was also all kinds of snacks to eat, so as you can tell my diet got a little out of hand this weekend. Drivers were switched about every 2 hours, but Todd and I were never asked to drive (we still are figuring why not). All kinds of card games were played, and the kids got together to roll the dice for some Mexican-American.

As we reached the Colorado border it started raining and everyone started getting depressed. But as we entered Loveland it was sunny and beautiful out. We also gained a hour of time as we entered the Mountain time zone. So the trip up there was fun and pretty quick compared to the ride home. Most of the conversations were asking professional or just experienced skier Doug many ques-

tions about skiing.

When we arrived at the Coach House Inn in Loveland it was time to unpack everything into the rooms. Then we went to our friends house, who used to live in Columbus. They were the ones who were going to teach us how to ski. After all the hellos and everything, we went and rented out our skies and equipment for the big day ahead of us.

Everyone was a little tired and anxious to ski the next day, so we just bought some burgers at Wendy's. After supper we went back to the motel and swam for awhile as the folks went out for a cruise around town.

The next morning came quickly, as wakeup call came at 6:30 AM - way to early for me! Everyone was in high spirits and ready to go. The only problem was wondering if what we planned on wearing was warm enough.

We all loaded the van and started out for Eldora Ski Ranch. Everyone put on their skis and got in line on the ski lifts. None of the mothers tried the expedition out though.

As usual, all rookies fall down as soon as they get off the lifts. It took all of us awhile to get the turns down, because you turn to slow down or else you would go cruising down the slopes, faster than you can handle.

After lunch some of us dare devils dared each other to try the more steeper and challenging slopes. As for Todd and I, we accepted the dare and followed Doug up the blue and black ski lift.

It was quite scary at first, but we got used to it. After awhile

we would try a few of your own stunts out.

The rest of the day went smooth, as we went out to eat and then went back to the motel to swim some more. After swimming all of us kids were pretty worn out. So we all just hit the shack and watched a little T.V. to prepare ourselves for the next day.

Well, wakeup call was early again at 6:30 AM. It was time to dress for another day on the slopes. It was very nice out, so we didn't have to dress very warm.

Everyone was ready so the van headed for another resort, this one was Hidden Valley, in Estes Park. The weather was awesome out as it was 80 degrees outside.

The slopes though, were more steeper and difficult than the day before, but of course for Todd and I a couple of dry runs and we had it down perfect.

We skied all afternoon, then we loaded up and visited Central City, Colorado, a famous gold mining town.

The rest of the day went as usual, as the kids were pretty well worn out. So we went to get something to eat, and then back to the motel.

Well the next morning everyone was down, as we went to church for Easter Sunday, and then it was time to head east again, back to Nebraska.

The ride home wasn't as good as the way up, but we got home safe and a little darker.

Overall it was an exciting trip, and plan on doing it every winter. Skiing was alot easier than I anticipated.

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SUCCESS Karen Soulliere

Success is all in one's mind
 All can achieve it unless they are blind
 Success is only a matter of
 determination
 It isn't a problem that is solved by an
 equation
 A person might try again and again
 They may no longer feel like women &
 and men
 A person might be on the brink of
 suicide
 but then decide to take one last ride
 The ferris wheel of life might fall with a
 crash
 It might end with a false start to a
 hundred yard dash
 But if they never take that one last
 chance
 They will never find that the ups and
 downs will balance
 Success is a story that may seldom be
 told
 Maybe that's because too few reach out
 for that gold
 Everyone should do their best to
 become number one
 If not their dreams are never met their
 goals are never done
 These are just a few simple rules that
 people should live by
 To meet those goals in life soon before
 they die
 Everyone should taste the sweetness of
 success
 So that they don't die alone in sad
 emptiness.

BEST FRIENDS

Whenever I need a friend
 You always seem to be there
 You help me with my problems
 And our joys together, we've shared
 I can't imagine life without a friend like
 you
 Once we get together
 We are an indivisible two.
 All the fun I shared with you
 Can never be replaced
 Together we've had many good times
 And conquered the problems we've
 had to face.
 So, I want you to know
 That I am always here
 If you ever need a friend
 To make your thoughts clear.
 And when I must leave you
 As many good friends and seniors part
 I leave you with good memories
 And an important place in our heart.

HE Angie Parolek

As a white winged dove flew by.
 I felt the wisdom from on high,
 With the knowledge I received today.
 I went to church to kneel and pray.
 God has blessed me I can say,
 And he will guide me through the day.
 He reaches out to help us all.
 Whenever we need to stand up tall,
 God helps all people poor and blind
 Healing the soul and the mind.
 With us through the day and night
 Always guiding and showing the light.
 Our caring leader and helpful king
 Helps us out with everything.
 Everyday should start with prayers
 With our thanks to show we care.
 Thank him for our life he gave
 And for the souls he died to save.
 He is the greatest person I know today,
 Giving us help in every way.



Lisa Keller

Surprises, surprises, they fill our lives
 And they hit wherever you may go.
 From one thing to the next they will
 survive
 Making one's happiness or sadness
 show.

Why do we let our lives become
 cluttered
 Making it difficult in many ways?
 If we'd sit back and stop getting
 flattered
 We'd see all the beauty that life
 conveys.

Life can be simple, remember it's free
 We've got the power to make it the best
 We've got the answers and ongoing
 plea
 As we find our special and unique
 guest.

We can get out of life what we put in,
 We can take it or leave it, lose or win.

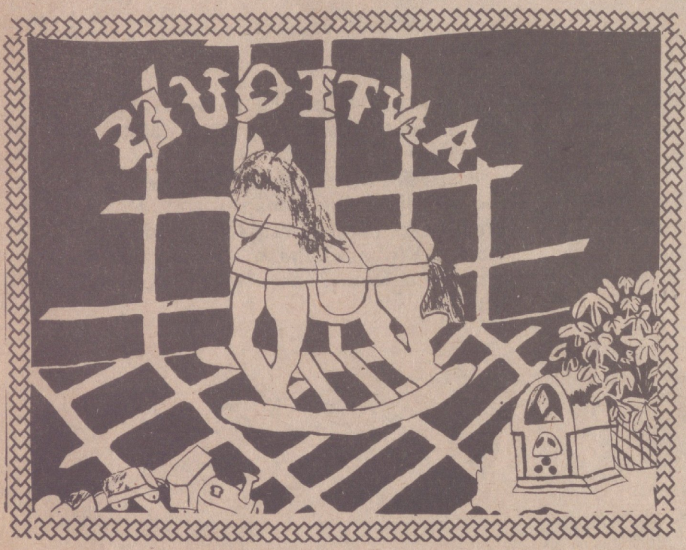
"I'M" SORRY Ginger B.

I'm sorry for all the times
 I have hurt you
 The times I made your life blue
 For all the times we had our fights
 I knew you would be the one
 to make it right.

I'm sorry for all the times I lied
 And all your rules that I didn't abide
 For all the times I wasn't there
 For the times I just didn't care

Time seemed to catch up with me
 For you are now leaving me
 You are going to take a different route
 Can't we please work thing out?

It's hard to say I'm sorry
 for all that I've done
 Don't go away from me,
 please don't run
 We'll talk things out, it will be okay
 Please say you'll stay
 for a few more days!





by Ken Chavanu

TALK IT OVER

Sandy Pekarek

You're worried and troubled
about everything,
Wondering and fearing
what tomorrow will bring.
You long to tell someone
for you feel so alone,
But your friends are all burdened
with cares of their own.
There is only one place
and only one friend
Who is never too busy
and you can always depend
That he will be waiting
with open arms
To hear all your troubles
that you came to confide
For the heavenly Father
will always be there
When you seek to find Him
waiting and listening to your prayer.

THE WEEKEND

Mike Reiser

The weekend is a very fine time
A time to relax and take it easy
During this time work is forgotten
It's time to hang loose and act a little
rotten
The weekend is a very fun time
A time to act a little crazy
Everyone should be in good cheer
Turn it loose, have no fear
The weekend is a very free time
A time to leave your worries behind
Throughout this time don't be plain
Don't be normal go a little insane
The weekend is a very happy time
A time to rid yourself of weekday
memories
Now is the time to tell some jokes
Liven up don't act like the old folks
When the weekend is over it's time to
go back
Back to the hustle and bustle
Time to go back to what you have been
Until next weekend when you can start
over again.

SAFARI

To my left,
a tiger on the wall stares at me;
to my right,
shoes and unmatched socks
do the same.
In front of me,
yesterday's jeans,
last week P.E. shirt,
and other unmentionables.
My bed-well, it's
comfortable,
casual . . .
and unmade, for the last two weeks.
It's me.

So I clean up.
I match all my socks
Hey, here's last week's book report!
Finally, I sigh.
It's done.
Mom smiles.
I frown - - -
How boring.
All my personality
has just been vacuumed up.

by Tyla Tworek

QUESTIONS ?

Jill Hoebing-

I wonder what's inside of me,
The part I can not see.
As I think is over, I become confused.
On what I really want to be.
There's an empty place in my life.
That I can't begin to fill
I'm growing up to fast
And leaving behind the me I knew so
I knew so well.
Where do I go from here
I have to keep looking for something
But what it is I can not tell
I hope I will succeed and not fail
I must learn to accept the changes
To find out what is best for me
Work to my best ability,
to achieve my goal
Then a bright future, I will see.
I realize now, I've wasted time,
Searching for unnecessary things,
many unknown.
I can not answer all of these questions
But I think the answer is, I've grown!

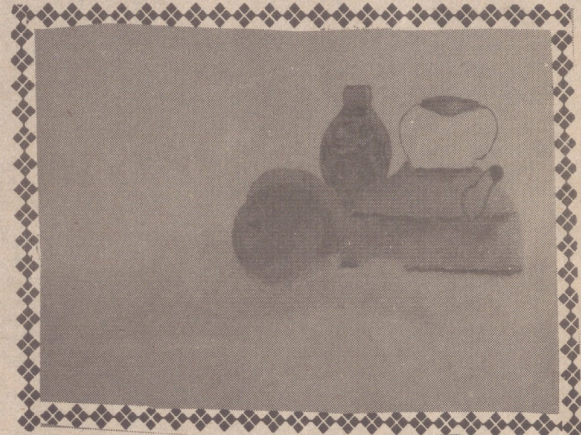
Sherri Zywiec

In an uncharted region an island lay
A treasure to be found was there
A treacherous task awaited the seekers
The pirates could have it all if they
dare.

The secret map was in the captain's
possession
He was not a true leader as we will see
The jewels, rubies, silver trinkets and
gold
Would be his he thought but it was not
to be.

All men were told to go to shore
If the treasure was found this would be
the last trip
The captain and his three best men of
sorts
Then set off with the treasure and the
ship.

The abandoned pirates figured out the
plot
As a hurricane washed up debris and
knives
Since no one knew of this unknown land
They lived as hermits for the rest of
their lives.



by Paula Stopak

One night while I lay in bed
A simple question popped into my head
A simple thought, a question to ask,
To find the answer, a simple task.
I thought about it for the longest time
The answer I see I can not find.
I find my fist hitting the wall
I can not solve this riddle at all.
I'm going crazy, I'm going insane.
My thoughts are racing like the biggest
the biggest train.
It's been a mystery since the start
of time
The answer, Einstein
could not even find.
I'm freaking out; I'm going mad
The most sleepless night I've ever had
I can't believe that I can not see
What the answer to the riddle can be.
I chew, my nails; I pull my hair
I can't believe this questions' still here
This question will haunt me
for the rest of my life,
But where do Zebras get their stripes.

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success.

By Lisa Keller
Editor

DON'T LOOK BACK
by Roger Konwinski

Don't look back, a new day is coming
You'll get better just keep on trying
If you give up now
you'll never forget about it
Quitters never win
and winners never quit!

It's so easy to say your tired and beat
You have to be strong willed
to get off your feet.
You can't slack off not one little bit
Quitters' never win and
winners never quit!

Once you start reaching your goals
keep making new ones
The farther you go
the easier it becomes
You'll feel good about yourself
keep doing it.
Quitters' never win and
winners never quit!

Your day will come when
you'll be on top
You'll be the best
these is but don't stop
Live like a true
champion using your wit
For quitters never win
and winners never quit!

LOVE
Sandy Pekarek

Love is like magic.
And I guess it will always be,
For love still remains
Life's sweet mystery!

Love works in many ways
That are wonderous and strange
And there's nothing in life
that love can't change!

Love is unselfish,
Understanding and kind
For it sees with its heart
And not with its mind!!

Love is the answer
That everyone seeks
Love is the language
That every heart speaks

Love can't be bought
It is priceless and free,
Love like pure magic
Is a sweet mystery!

Shari Rosno

Beating, beating my heart aches,
But slowly, slowly I awake.
I feel a strange feeling inside of me,
something never felt before,
its troubling me.

I know not what it is,
Only that it hurts.
And if I had my choice,
I'd change it with a shout.

Strangely enough, is that I like it.
Even though I feel sad that others
cannot try it.
Because I let myself love, I am happy.
But others just take nappies.

It's too bad that I must be sad,
For its a happy feeling, not bad.
But no one understands,
No one ever will.
So love is not turning the world,
It's only standing still.

LIFE IN PRISON
Hug B. Riley III

You count the days,
you count the weeks
You count the months,
you count the years
Nothing to do,
nothing to say
You're all alone
and full of fears

You're in a dark, cold cell
You're trapped, but you can't get out
Help me, help me, help me
I scream, and scream and shout

It is so boring, so very boring
So boring, I'd rather die
I'm going insane, crackers, crazy
I begin to cry

There is no escape
There is no place to go
I'll just sit and sit and sit
Come judgement day I pray he won't
say no

FUTURE
Cindy Backes

Dream for the future
Don't dream in the past
Live in the present
And make today last.
Look forward to tomorrow
Let your life move on.
Look at the happy
And not the sad.
Look at the day
And dream at night
Look for the future
How clear and bright.
Find your dream
And hold to your heart.
If you never give in
Your are bound to win.
Look at today
And dream for tomorrow.
Hop for the future
Cause yesterday's gone.



by Tammy Stepanek

Cindy Peterson

A time of love and carefree songs,
Of breezy days & cool clear nights.
The sun shining through the cotton
clouds,
I wish spring would always last long.



WHAT A RAINY DAY CAN DO?

Sue Davidson

Cold dark and dreary days
 It rains and the wind blows in
 its own way.
 The whistling of the wind and the
 leaves blowing
 The water in the gutters flowing.
 People wonder if they're is going
 to be a flood.
 And if the dike will break and
 turn to mud.
 The rainbow soon shows in the sky
 The birds do not come out to fly.
 The pouring of rain keeps falling down
 People stay in their own houses
 instead of going into town.
 The rain decides to slow down and stop
 The grass starts growing with the crops
 The sun eventually peaks out
 And children run out of houses and
 are all about.
 People are happy the gloominess is
 the gloominess is done
 It's amazing how attitude changes
 among people because of the sun.
 People come out and start shopping
 And tulip bulbs start popping.
 The sun can make a change
 It opens peoples minds and let their
 attitudes range.

Pam Ruzicka

You're always there to hug
 When I want to cuddle.
 And you never argue
 When I hold you close at night
 And smother you under the covers.
 You always watch everything I do
 And always with a smile.
 You listen to all of my problems
 Without saying a word about yours.
 You never have any complaints
 About anything at all.
 You put up with an awful lot
 But I have to admit
 That you are my greatest friend
 Though we're not going to let
 Anyone else know.
 Oh, it's not that I'm ashamed
 But what would people say
 If I told them that my best friend
 Was my Teddy Bear?

PROPHECY OF A DEAD SOUL

Bridget Chohon

This anger I sense inside of me is
 boiling, bubbling, frothing, seething.
 It's raging to get out. This pent up
 fury within me is howling, wailing,
 pleading to be set free.
 Perhaps if it is released, I will be at
 peace. I will be free. Yes, I will be set
 free of this continuous terror that stalks
 me both day and night.
 I am the cause of my death. My slow,
 horrifying, excruciating painful death.

Lower me in my casket.
 Heave me in my hole.
 Bury me in my sand.
 Run for your life.

Fear My Return



by Lori Brdiko

A SMILE

Lisa Thalken

A smile is great way
 To say how much you like the day
 To greet the people passing by
 A unique way of saying hi

A smile lifts you up when you are down
 And it is done without a sound
 Just a helping hint to show you care
 It's something that you want to share

A lot of people have beautiful smiles
 They show them off with their unique
 styles
 Movie stars on a big debut
 Will smile nice so we recognize they
 are new

When people smile from ear to ear
 We get the feeling of great cheer
 We like to spread this feeling around
 In hopes of reaching everyone who is
 down

So when you see someone with a frown
 And know that they are feeling down
 The best thing that you can do
 Is give them a smile so they won't be
 blue.

CLOTHES

Angie B.

Some are bright, some are dull,
 Some are baggy, some are full.
 There are so many clothes galore,
 You can't buy them all in a store.
 There is the sporty look, elegant look
 And, oh yes, the preppies look.
 Shirts, pants, shorts, and shoes
 There are so many to choose.

Pink, yellow, orange, and blue,
 Striped and even polka dot too!
 Summer and spring clothes
 Fall and winter to cover your nose.
 They can be expensive or cheap
 On a rack or on a heap
 You can buy them at regular price,
 Or on sale, which is nice.
 Clothes, clothes, and more clothes,
 So many to cover your body and toes.
 Well, I am almost through
 Clothes, clothes for me and you!

Jim Paprocki

Success is wonderful when it's told
 About the men who take the gold.
 It's worked through
 countless hard-fought days,
 But in the end it really pays.

Every man can have a dream.
 Though some impossible it may seem.
 But every goal can be attained
 If the sense of pride remains.

To some success is only winning.
 To others, to stumble could be
 their beginning.
 In looking for success, don't look too far
 Because success is found
 right where you are.

I like success,
 when it's worked for and sought
 Not when it's cheated for,
 gambled, or bought
 Success is as good as the person,
 perceives it.
 It can not be found
 if you don't believe in it.

Success, to me, is a burning goal.
 One day I might get it;
 One day I might fold
 Whether it be huge or one small test,
 To reach your goal
 is the ultimate success.

LOST LOVE

Jayne Wieser

The trees and waters did sway,
 Thine heart was so true and divine
 Slowly the days passed away.
 The love for a thousand years was
 was mine.

In my eyes the love was to see,
 Thine heart was so timid and shy.
 But true lovers apart must be,
 In loneliness shall ever I dwell.

My eyes stare onward, black
 Is the heart who lost love.
 I beg of the love come back,
 Soaring on sweetly, a dove.

Each day without you I weep.
 Until the love to me returned is thine.
 The key to all hearts you keep
 And the happiness and freedom of
 and freedom of mine.

by Tammy Stepanek

All darkness,
 Still quiet air,
 Nothingness, eternal silence
 A void of capacity and understanding

Flash,
 Black form to gray,
 Learning begins its upward climb,
 Knowledge forms its seeds of birth.

Brightness,
 Colors begin to be distinguished,
 Secrets are told and kept,
 The ability to think begins its process.

Kaliadscope,
 Rainbows are glimpsed,
 The brain categorizes life and love,
 All is known except the future.

Perspective,
 All is clear
 Understanding and sensitivity reign,
 The center is realized in life.