

\$1,000 Dream Spurs Council

by Valerie Barnett

Thousands of students from high schools throughout the state are now participating in a project to raise funds for the Save the Children Federation. Wayzata's Student Council is supporting this project so that from March 29 through April 13 students will be helping to raise this money.

The project involves students volunteering their time to work at any type of unskilled labor, such as washing windows, and sweeping floors. The jobs are made available by numerous businesses who cooperated gladly with the Council. In Wayzata, 40 businesses are participating. All the wages earned will be donated to the Save the Children Federation, which was the majority choice when Wayzata students were asked where they would like to see the money sent. It is hoped that Wayzata will send between 800 and 1,000 dollars.

Through the Federation, funds will be sent to help the Children of Appalachia. It will provide

such necessities as running water, sanitary facilities for one-room schoolhouses, and coal stoves to heat the schools during the winter.

The funds will be used to buy the materials and the Appalachian people will make the necessary improvements.

Being a statewide project, it has aroused a lot of interest. Vice-President Humphrey has even sent his best wishes.

Student Council President Paul Bauer is going to the State Capitol to help urge a proclamation making March 28-April 18 Youth Project Weeks for the state of Minnesota. Bauer feels this is important, "Our Student Council is supporting this project because we feel that it gives responsible youth the opportunity to create a favorable impression on the community as well as aiding a worthwhile charity."

With the favorable response shown by Wayzata students (it is hoped that this project will continue every year so that people in need will also be able to be helped.

Committee Boom Hits Wayzata

by Chris Brownlie

At a recent meeting, the Wayzata Student Council established what many observers considered to be a record, in one 55-minute session, the Council set up a grand total of five separate committees.

Fortunately, the reasons for these committees were mostly good. Taking the five just established, and adding them to several others which were in existence, and the committee explosion is on.

One of these committees is the now famous Ping-Pong Table Committee, headed by Bob (Pong) Simmons, and Jim (Ping) Wicklatz. After one meeting and intensive study, the committee is now prepared to make its recommendation to the Council, and it is expected to request enough money to buy the necessary apparatus to make ping-pong balls fly.

Another committee is the Curriculum Committee, headed by Dave Holst, which has as its purpose to study and propose possible curriculum changes, and to make known their recommendations. Then they sit back and watch everyone implement them.

And then we have the Constitution Convention Committee (CCC) with its Chairman, Chris Brownlie. The job of that committee is to draw up a brand new Constitution. Well, they have, and their next job is to get the Council to ratify it.

One of the oldest committees now in existence is the Student Activities Calendar Committee, chaired by Tim Garbett. The purpose of that committee was to print sheet listing the coming activities of the school. The sheets were then to have been placed on the bulletin boards of the class-rooms. No such sheets have been made available.

And, of course, there is always (or it seems like it) the Dress Code Committee. A new one is now being formed, and more discussion is going to proceed. By the roughest estimate, if the Faculty and Administration agree to implement the proposed two month trial period, the first day of that trial period will be June 15, five days after school closes for summer vacation.

The Student Directory Committee, now going into its fifth month of existence, has yet to produce a Student Directory. According to Committee Chairwoman Nancy Van Dusen, the printing company which she contacted failed to do their work because Nancy was a minor.

And there are still more. There is also the Film Committee, set up at a recent meeting in order to initiate a program to provide a free motion picture to the students.

Last, but certainly not least, we have a new committee called the Dance Committee. Headed by Jim Miller, this committee's purpose was to make arrangements to have a dance at which students would pay a minimal fee (perhaps nothing) and the Council would operate at a loss by procuring top-notch entertainment. They, too, will have to face the Council, and the money involved may cause the project to run into trouble.



Paul Doepeke and Dave Christianson censor play titles.

Aura of Intrigue Grips Spring Actors

by Sue Carlson

Being a novice, this reporter had come to Mr. Sheehy with the sole intention of opening our interview by the only method I knew. That was to ask those five reliable, unfailing questions; who, what, why, where, and when. Unfortunately, my confidence was soon shaken as our conversation began. It went something like this:

Reporter: Well, Mr. Sheehy, why don't we start with the name of the play, a little about the plot, etc.; you know; just to get started.

Mr. Sheehy: (Rubbing out a cigarette) Ah, I'm not going to give that to you.

Reporter: Oh....?

Mr. Sheehy: You see, I'm trying to build a mysterious atmosphere around the play to create some suspense.

Reporter: Mysterious atmosphere? Suspense?

Mr. Sheehy: Yes, it's a mystery.

Reporter: Oh, I see.... Um.... Mr. Sheehy: But I can tell you a little about the plot.

Reporter: Oh good. Yes, that would be nice.

Mr. Sheehy: It is set in England, in a mansion complete with ghosts, secret passages, and creaking doors. The story starts with an ordinary weekend party—a tradition of the old English Aristocracy—and results in a murder. This makes many guests suspects, and consequently, the plot becomes a question of whodunit.

Reporter: Tell me; how do the actors like the play?

Mr. Sheehy: The first reading was very frustrating. I cut out the last pages of the playbooks so that the actors would actually feel a buildup of suspense. They were making so many speculations as to who did it that they became terrifically excited and even made a few threats against me.

Mr. Sheehy then wrote out the following 15 names. However, their parts remain a secret.

- CeCe Hanson
- Dave Christianson
- Dave Helmstetter
- George Braun
- Cathy Moclea
- Wendy Schreiber
- Diane Goodfellow
- Ruth Schering
- Paul Doepeke
- Amanda Merlin
- Rolf Yngve
- Valerie Hane
- Kris Elde
- Aron Yngve
- Bruce Larson

Mr. Sheehy did give away the dates of the play, for practical reasons. They are: May 2, 3, & 4 at 8:00. Prices are \$1.25 for adults and \$.75 for students.

When asked why he chose to produce a mystery, Mr. Sheehy answered, "It's a type of play we haven't done around here. And high school kids should be introduced to various types of plays." Then he added, "This play may not be of extreme literary value, but it has a well developed plot, and the characters are believable and a challenge to the actors."

Special effects, such as an appearance by a ghost, subdued lighting, and many costume changes will add to the mysterious nature of the play.

Mr. Sheehy ended our interview by showing me an added point in the actors' contract, made specially for this production. It went like this—

I will do my darndest to keep all knowledge of the play and the murderer from anyone who is not in the cast.

Wayzata Faces Brain Battle

Can Wayzata produce a group of scholars capable of defeating White Bear Lake or Shattuck High's intellectuals in a battle of wits?

For the answer to that pressing question, tune in to KSTP-TV (Channel 5) on Easter Sunday at 2 P.M. and watch the battle of the minds on High School Bowl.

Interested students were invited to try out for the team on March 21. After a round of practice questioning, four Wayzata students were chosen for their broadly based knowledge. Those students were Steve Betker, Jim Wicklatz, Le Ann Schaezel, and Chris Brownlie. Pat Bauer was chosen as alternate.

Wayzata's band of merry mentalists (referring only to their obvious intelligence) will meet with their coach Mr. McKeand, several times before their television appearance on April 14 to practice Bowl procedure. The team will be at a slight disadvantage in that they will be playing a team that has had experience in the Bowl.

If Wayzata wins its first game it will go on to play another game. Three consecutive wins makes the team undefeated, and they are then automatically retired. In the event that they win three matches they will be given gifts for themselves and for the school. The gifts are from the World Book Encyclopedia Corporation.

Wayzatan Poll:

WHS Picks RFK

by Jim Wicklatz

The Wayzatan Poll was administered to the entire student body on March 22 and 25. It attempted to survey the students' Presidential preferences.

Of the 851 usable ballots that were returned, a surprisingly even party breakdown was observed. (All figures are to the nearest per cent. Asterisk denotes less than one per cent.)

	Seniors	Juniors	Sophomores	Total
Democrats	33	34	32	33
Republicans	31	29	28	29
Independents	35	37	39	37
Other	*	-	*	*

Each respondent was asked to name the candidate he would vote for if he could vote in the upcoming election. Surprisingly enough, about 88 per cent, or all but 104 students, had a definite first choice. (Various facetious and crank answers were counted as "no answer.")

Although the Republican faction leaned heavily toward Richard Nixon, overwhelming support from Democrats and a majority of Independents contributed greatly to the success of Democratic Senator Robert F. Kennedy. The final results are tabulated below. (Number of votes received given followed by percentage of total votes in parentheses. Asterisk denotes less than one per cent.)

Kennedy	272 (32)	Percy	6 (*)
Nixon	150 (18)	Lindsay	3 (*)
Rockefeller	93 (11)	Goldwater	3 (*)
Johnson	91 (11)	Hatfield	1 (*)
McCarthy	89 (10)	Dirksen	1 (*)
Reagan	26 (3)	Humphrey	1 (*)
Wallace	6 (*)	Thomas	1 (*)
Romney	2 (*)	No Answer	104 (12)

Despite the fact that the vote is split up in this manner, it seems clear that Kennedy and Nixon are the leading contenders, Kennedy with an obvious margin over his Republican opponent.

Meanwhile, Republican Governor of New York Nelson Rockefeller, President Lyndon Johnson, and Democratic Senator Eugene McCarthy seem to be bunched very closely together in a tight race, although they are all far below the top.

A further breakdown of the vote shows some clear partisan differences. (All figures are to the nearest per cent. Asterisk denotes less than one per cent.)

	Democrats	Republicans	Independents	Others
Kennedy	57	5	30	100
Nixon	*	45	12	-
Rockefeller	4	19	11	-
Johnson	17	4	10	-
McCarthy	11	5	14	-
Others	*	15	3	-
No Answer	9	7	19	-

(This vote could have changed some by this printing. The poll was written before Rockefeller's announcement on March 21 that he would not run; the authors assumed that he would instead have announced his candidacy. The poll was taken the day after his announcement, but its effect may not have reached many students. Perhaps the implications of this statement could have drawn some voters away from Rockefeller.)

Discount Needed At "Student" Store?

Recently we bought a book, as an English requirement, in the Student Store. After some thought we realized that about 150 other students would buy the same book. And when we considered the number of books required by various classes, we came to the conclusion that the Student Store must run a highly profitable business.

What can the Deca Club possibly use this money for (if the Store's profit are indeed great?) We must admit that we don't know.

We suggest, however, that the Student Store could benefit the students more by changing its policies.

Could not the Store sell books and supplies to students at a slight discount of their market prices?

It seems to us that prices could be lowered to a point at which a profit—a smaller profit—would be possible, while the students could save money on buying required readings and the like.

And this reduction might even enhance sales to a small degree.

We suppose that we shall now be attacked for attempting to undermine the free enterprise system. However, it seems to us that things would work out better all around if a more co-operative basis was employed.

After all, it is called a "Student Store."

SC Curriculum Committee Must Stay In Its Place

The Student Council recently formed a committee designed to recommend curriculum changes to the administration.

We must commend these students for their active interest in their studies.

This committee is a legitimate form of communication between the student body and the officials. If some new, constructive advice can be given, the group will have proved itself.

Some reservations must be made, however, in these activities. We fear that such a group of students may be tempted to overstep its bounds.

It seems to us that most of the recommendations of the committee (which, to our knowledge, include such courses as psychology and anthropology) could not be utilized economically by the majority of students. Lack of interest and program inflexibilities would tend to make such suggestions less worthy of consideration.

A group of this nature holds for us an ominous ring of presumption. It is out of place for high school students to assert their "student power," and we hope this committee will not be tempted to do so. We believe that any curriculum changes brought up by the group be stated as recommendations, not as demands. We feel it would be a mistake to challenge professional educators by demanding changes.

It is unlikely that anything will come of the curriculum committee's efforts. Most of their suggestions either have been or are now being considered by the school officials.

Nevertheless, we extend our best wishes to the group in hopes that some constructive results benefitting all the students will follow.

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75% Follow Parents' Lead

A consolidation of the many Republican splinter groups could have placed Nixon or Rockefeller in a more favorable position. This lack of unity could present some problems to GOP organization. The Democrats, on the other hand, have an even greater problem of an Administration party torn by dissension faced with reasonably strong opposition.

President Johnson's position is uncertain even within his own party. With Kennedy the distinct favorite, Johnson is hardly more popular than McCarthy, his weakest challenger.

Respondents were also asked who they thought would be elected in November. Their replies show that Johnson is the man to beat, with Kennedy close behind. (All figures are to the nearest per cent. Asterisk denotes less than one per cent.)

Johnson	29
Kennedy	26
Nixon	17
McCarthy	5
Rockefeller	3
Reagan	*
No Answer	19

It seems somewhat strange that Johnson could collect only one-tenth of the vote and yet be considered as the probable winner by almost one-third of the voters. These results are probably insignificant but they reveal a strange blend of determination and fatalism. Of the 622 who answered both questions, only about 48 per cent replied that their candidate would, in their opinion, win the election.

Finally, students were questioned as to their parents' political party and voting choice. A comparison revealed that, of the 723 students who know one or both parents' political party, 541 students, or 75 per cent considered themselves to be of the same political party as one or both parents.

Of the 511 who knew one or both parents' Presidential choice, 281 students, or 55 per cent chose the same candidate as one or both parents.

It is not surprising that some correlation exists between the political preferences of parent and child. These figures seem unusually high to this writer, however.

It is interesting to note that all groups seem to be equally affected by the political party of the parent. Almost two-thirds of the sophomores, however, claim the same Presidential choice as their parents, as compared to about one-half of the juniors and seniors.

Trojan Athletes Welcome Spring

Track



Eight of the eleven returning track lettermen L-R: backrow, Tom Bednar, Jim Erickson, Bill Johnson, John Palmer, Steve Dittbenner, Front row, Bruce Wagner, Jake Cadwallader, Dague Clark.

To the non-runner track often seems a curious sport, more a kind of solitary self-torture than a sport which one could enjoy. The same thought occurs to the runner at times.

What makes him keep on trying? The answers vary but the striving is good for the individual and perhaps that is what really counts.

"We're going to try something different this year," stated Wayzata Track Coach Norm Schroeder. "Each individual will be on his own these first few weeks. He will have to follow his own training schedule which fits the events he will participate in this season."

The following lettermen and their events are: Jake Cadwallader, 440 yd. dash, high jump, mile relay; Dague Clark, 880 yd, Jim Erickson, hurdles, long jump; John Palmer, 880 yd, run; Dave Meyer, high jump, mile relay; Bruce Wagner, hurdles, long jump; Bill Johnson, pole vault; Steve Dittbenner, shot put, discus, high hurdles; Tom Bednar, mile; and Tom Nelson, mile, 880 yd. run.

Mr. Schroeder's evaluation of the season was, "Like last year we'll be strong in the distance runs, 440 yd. on up, and possibly do well in the field events this year. Our real weakness is a lack of sprinters."

Baseball

With basketball once again dead and buried, it is now baseball's turn to be resurrected from the tomb of aggressive pastimes.

Aside from the usual moving of equipment from one side of the locker room to the other, there

is also the factor of moving souls to come out and play baseball. The senior turnout this year seems to be rather sparse; the list of returners includes only Don Anderson, Bruce Ritchie, Jim Shenk, Steve Lappe, Mike Gustafson, Cliff Burk, Ron Morris, and Ed Rosenber.

Talking with Assistant Coach Richard Hanley, I asked him, "Besides the ancient lettermen, do you see any new prospects among the underclassmen this year?"

His reply was "Some sophomore infielders look pretty good, and we should get some pitching help from the sophomores. John Darby and Mike White should be among the juniors this year who will see action."

Naturally, after only a few weeks of practice it is difficult to make any definite statement on the outlook for the team this coming year. But one can only hope, so I asked. In the words of Head Coach Kieth Schaeffer, "We're really still in the developmental stage, and it is too

early to tell. But the morale is high."

Tennis

The 1968 tennis team is one of promise. Three of the seven regulars are sophomores: Brig LeSeuer, Andy Mitchell, and Keith Sternal; Mark Heupenbecker, a promising singles player, is a freshman; Dave Campbell is a junior; and the only returning letterman is senior Dave Holst, who was elected captain.

Coach Tony Zignego says this year's team is solid. There are no outstanding players on the team but there should be tough competition for all positions.

The team meets its top three opponents right off the start with Robbinsdale on April 1, then Edina and Minnetonka. What happens in these meets may well decide what place the Trojans will end up in this year. With the right breaks Wayzata could end up in the top half of the conference.

In Thinking About Next Year

by Bruce Wagner

The "Speech Team" coached by Wayzata's answer to Duane Baglin (that suave young man in the trench coat wearing dark sunglasses—Coach Patrick Sheehy) placed very high in the sub-district meet at Golden Valley. Eighteen students from the Wayzata High School speech department participated in the meet.

Earlier this year with the prospect of a large squad, two assistant coaches, Mr. Danner and Mr. Don Anderson, were hired to join the speech coaching staff. After a vigorous recruiting drive, the outlook appeared bright for the season. Then disaster struck. The two dreaded diseases, "apathy" and "feeble excuses" struck ruthlessly and wiped out half the squad.

The coach said, "I was somewhat disappointed with the final turnout. I had hoped for a much larger group to participate.

Led by self-appointed captain, Dave Christianson, the players met and decided to go all out and "win one for the old man." The enthusiastic team swarmed off the bus after a rousing pep talk and charged into Golden Valley High School. The bus driver hollered after them his usual comment: "Let's get out there and win gang." Unlike the athletic teams which fail to respond, the "Speech Team" chalked up a brilliant victory.

Eleven talented speakers advanced to the district speech contest at Cooper. Each received at least two "A" ratings out of three performances.

The eleven and their categories are: Diane Baldinger in storytelling; Dave Christianson

in original oratory; Dave Helmstetter in discussion; Dave Holst in extemporaneous speaking; Laurel Welch and Paul Doepke in serious interpretation; Gail Brewer, Craig Edwal and Bruce Wagner in humorous interpretation; and Jean Kelly and Diane Goodfellow in extemporaneous reading.

The "B" squad performed admirably and gained enough experience to possibly make the "A" squad next year.

After sending a "Dear John" letter to John Van Heule in Montana, Wayzata photographer, Ruth Shering, was cruising the area looking for a picture when she spied a school bus in the WHS parking lot. Gunning it, she shot past the bus and "just happened" to catch the "Speech Team" practicing for their meet at Cooper.

The district speech contest at Cooper High School proved their downfall as the "Speech Team" ran into fierce competition and ancient college judges. All the speakers failed to advance to the regional speech contest.

The only bright spot of the day was when Gail Brewer, reading a humorous dialogue between Noah and God from Green Pastures by Connelly, received two "A" ratings and advanced to the "Championship Round." She finished very high with a twelfth place ranking, but needed to be among the top ten to advance to the regional speech contest.

Now that the season is over with, it can best be summed up with a college judge's comment on an evaluation sheet — "You showed a lot of potential talent." It's something to think about for next year.



Real devotion. They couldn't even wait till they got there to start talking. Left to right: Mr. Sheehy, Bruce Wagner, Dave Christianson, Gail Brewer, Diane Goodfellow, Jean Kelly, Craig Edwal, Diane Baldinger, Paul Doepke, Dave Helmstetter, and Laurel Welch.