

TALKING ABOUT THURSTON

By Joan Van Wyke

The Christmas spirit is beginning to fill the students and faculty as they make preparations for the traditional holiday festivities. Many classes and clubs are doing something special for Christmas. The students taking a foreign language are planning to have a party on Dec. 2. French, Spanish, German, Latin and Russian students are all invited. This year, the party is being organized by the Spanish department. The students are going to sing Christmas carols in their own language they are studying. Each of the language classes is also going to select a representative to explain the Christmas customs in their country. There will be dancing and refreshments. Everyone is being asked to bring a white elephant gift to exchange. At the dance a collection is going to be taken for the Redfords.

Franklin Enters 11 Finalists in Math Contest

From 160 participants in the Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition, Franklin High School will enter 11 finalists in the second part of the test on Thursday, December 10.

David Barr, junior; Robert Biss, senior; Thomas Cannon, senior; Paul Campbell, senior; William Fisher, senior; Brian Gray, junior; Thomas Goodwin, junior; William Hanton, junior; Ann Janssen, sophomore; Anna Opland, junior; and David Wietelmann, senior, will represent Franklin High School in this second stage of the statewide mathematics competition, which was originally open to any student in a Michigan high school.

Approximately \$4,000 in scholarship awards will be granted to winners of this competition. In addition, colleges in the state award numerous scholarships to students who qualify for Part II of the tests. The first place winner receives a gold medal and about twenty other winners receive silver medals.

Sponsored by the Michigan Mathematical Association and Michigan Colleges and Universities, the examination is based on the subject matter of the high school mathematics curriculum. Part I, given on November 6, was multiple choice answers. Part II is a written character and is designed to measure the mathematical ingenuity of the student.

Contestants will take the test on Thursday morning during two consecutive hours in their respective high schools.

The competition is a school activity approved by the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals.

Clinics Set at Clarenceville

Hearing, dental and vision clinics are being held at Clarenceville School District elementary schools this month.

Hearing clinics will be held at Grandview School Dec. 11, 14 and 15; at Edgewood School Dec. 18, 21 and 22; at Westbrook School Dec. 22-23.

Dental clinics are scheduled for Grandview School Dec. 14. Senior high students will have their vision tested Jan. 4-11 for grades 9, 11 and special education. Junior high students in grade seven and special education classes will have vision screenings Jan. 11-14.

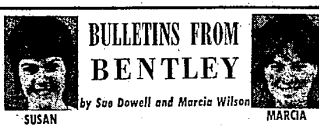
The AFSS is selling Christmas cards to raise money. The cards were designed by various exchange students and are very interesting. The money will be used to send a student from Thurston abroad and help pay the expenses of an exchange student at Thurston.

The holidays mean vacation for students. Thurston's National Honor Society is planning a Freshman-Senior Get-Together. All freshman alumni home from college on vacation will be invited to a continental breakfast. Seniors who are NHS members will also attend. The breakfast, which is being held on Dec. 23, will give the students and alumni an opportunity to talk with one another and the seniors will have a chance to get first-hand accounts of college life. The alumni will answer any questions the NHS members might have concerning various colleges and courses at this time.

Thurston's Sponges started their season off with a big win as they won their first meet. The meet was triangular against Dearborn and Redford Union. Bill Zeeb, a junior, was the victor of both the 200 and 400-yard freestyle. While swimming the 400-yard freestyle, the Bill broke the old school record which he held by three seconds. We hope the



ST. BERNADINE'S eighth graders pose with Christmas stockings they have filled for needy children in Detroit. In the back row — from left, are — Joanne Kehoe, Donna Rich, Lynn M. Vererantini, faculty moderator, Mary Lynn Wietecha and Jacqueline Carrillo. Sitting in the front row are from left, Sharon Sweeney, Diane Dreher, Laura Kauffman and Patricia Gallagher. In addition to the stockings, usable toys (including a sled), and foodstuffs have been collected by the seventh and eighth grade members of the Junior Solidarity. Sister Vererantini told The Observer that the project was the idea of the 54 girls involved.



SUSAN BULLETINS FROM BENTLEY MARCIA

A sports appreciation assembly was held Monday, Nov. 30, to introduce the student body to all the varsity and reserve sports teams throughout the school. The assembly was started with the introduction of the Varsity Club. The Varsity Club is a very important organization at Bentley, composed of any student who qualifies for a letter in high school varsity sports. The purpose of the club is to give service to the club, sports, and school, maintain eligibility standards, act as a fellowship where players can get together, and to reward players for service in sports, through recognition of performance of athletic achievement.

The introduction of the 1964-1965 reserve cheerleading squad was next on the assembly agenda, followed by a speech from Mr. Andrews, athletic director for Bentley and Franklin. The head coaches, assistant coaches, varsity members, and reserve members of each sport played at Bentley were then presented. The coaches are as follows: Larry Joiner (varsity football), Mr. Reardon (varsity basketball), Mr. Cannon (cross country), Mr. McKay (wrestling), Mr. Webster (assistant), Mr. Joiner (swimming), and Mr. Hanton (assistant).

Each coach was presented, the boys on his team were presented along with him. It is hoped by all the coaches, members of the Varsity Club, and the entire student body that Bentley's sport year will continue as well as it began with the football season.

The Parnassus Short Story Contest, which began on Oct. 19, has ended. Many stories were submitted to the contest and these will be judged by a committee made up of individuals on the Parnassus staff. This year, gift certificates will be presented to the authors of the best short stories, and the best story of the year will be chosen. The Detroit News writing contest was a representative work from Bentley.

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Redford Union Panther Tracks

by FAM ZIEMNIAK

Two of Redford Union's boys home economic classes prepared their Thanksgiving dinner. The fifth hour class provided the main course on Friday, November 19, and the fourth hour class provided them on the following Thursday, November 26.

Teachers, principals, and office help were invited for this occasion. Some of the guests present were Mr. Sundek, Mr. Leach, Mr. Etkin, Mr. Estes, Mr. Lahti, Mrs. Reed, Mr. Barton, Mr. Bowerman, Mrs. Soronen, Mr. Bahlke, Mr. Barnes, Mrs. Naleway, Miss Rothrock, the home economics teacher. The boys prepared a complete dinner for the guests and made attractive Thanksgiving centerpieces.

Mrs. Cook, new to the ranks of R.U.'s teaching staff, is a home economics teacher. She is a graduate of Central Michigan University. She has taught at Redford Union for the past so High School in the past. She likes R.U. and hopes to continue teaching there. She also enjoys painting in her spare time.

Mr. Terry Twemey, an English III and American History teacher, underwent major surgery at Outter Drive Hospital last month. He remained in the hospital for several days and is now recovering at home. He hopes to be back teaching by Monday, December 7.

While Mr. Twemey is recovering, a student teacher from U. of D. is conducting his classes and Mrs. Radt is substituting for the rest.

On Friday, November 27, a new kind of pajama party, 21, was held at Bentley. The place at the D.A.V. hall on Five Mile Road. Sophomores, juniors, and seniors girls were invited. There were approximately 40 girls and four chaperones present at the p.j. party. Each girl that attended was required to pay \$1.50, which included the cost of food and reservations.

The girls in charge of taking money were Linda Spratt, Sandy Loret, and treasurer Connie Schell (juniors), Lynne Tober, Kathy Spratt, (sophomores).

Most of the girls didn't fall asleep until 5 a.m. and were awakened at 7:15 and began cleaning up the hall.

Bentley's first practice was held on Monday, November 2, with a good turn out. Mr. Hankin will again be coaching the varsity soccer this year. Mr. Hankin will be the new reserve coach.

There are three returning lettermen this year. They are Alan Malbach, Mike McCrea, and Harry Kendrick. The varsity squad for this year is Alan Malbach, Mike McCrea, Harry Kendrick, Steve Crane, Bob Baumgartner, Larry Dennis, Orin Newton, Dick Berryman, Ron Baug, and Dick Housel.

Mr. Phillips, a teacher from Macquinn, will be serving his first year as reserve wrestling coach. The varsity wrestling coach will again be Mr. Perlan. There will be a wrestling meet on Friday, November 19, at 7 p.m. at the school. The matches will be held on Friday nights, but a few will take place on Tuesday and Thursday.

Christmas Concert at Junior High West, Dec. 15

The annual Christmas concert of the Junior High West will be held Tuesday, Dec. 15 at 7 p.m. The program will include selections by Mr. Vernon's choir, 7th grade glee club and choir. The numbers will feature Christmas Fanfare and also a Bach Minuet.

The 6th grade chorus will perform under the direction of Mrs. Swartzendruber.

The 7th grade band, directed by Mr. Livingston, will play several selections including The Christmas Festival to get everyone in the Christmas spirit. The string orchestra will also play.

All program covers will be designed and made by the 6th grade students and the narration will be given by the member of the Creative English class.

After the concert there will be a meeting of those parents whose children will be going to camp in January.

Wins Honors At Ferris State

Robert A. Brounge, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Brounge, of 21565 Mayfield, Farmington, has recently been selected President of the Student Council Board of Ferris State College. His other activities include serving as Vice President of the Sigma Phi Epsilon society; fraternity; member of the executive board of the All College Student Government; Market-Place Club; Alpha Delta Sigma advertising fraternity; and he is a player on the championship intramural football team.



BIOLOGY, GENETICS, DEVELOPMENT of hobby interests and the art of showmanship were part of a special assembly program produced last week for Marshall Junior High Students by Allen R. Kerr, common learnings teacher, and president of the South Redford Education Association.

Clarenceville School News

By MARGARET PAULSON

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