

Youth Art Festival

Thursday, May 25, Mrs. Howard Ahmanson gave a press conference for high school newspaper representatives. The topic of discussion concerned "Youth Expression '72."

Youth Expression '72 is a two-day visual and performing arts festival that will be held this summer, August 12 and 13 at the Los Angeles County Art Museum.

The festival will be held solely for high school students. Every person who signs up is allowed up to two pieces of art.

A youth committee, consisting of sixteen students from surrounding Los Angeles County high schools planned the entire festival.

"This group, I think, is so creative for thinking it up," commented Mrs. Ahmanson.

She went on to add, "This program was conceived by the young people and is part of our overall effort to make the Museum a greater part of their lives."

The first day of the festival will feature all performing arts. These will include dance, mime, drama and music groups. There are no specific categories; all types will be accepted.

The second day will display all the visual arts. Among the media expected are paintings, ceramics, sculpture, weaving jewelry, macrame, conceptual art and customized vehicles.

There will be young professional artists at the exhibit who will judge the visual art and select forty to be put on display in the Leo S. Bing Center rental library for two weeks.

The students will have an opportunity to sell their works if they wish to.

When asked about censorship Mrs. Ahmanson replied, "We reserve the right to censor if it is in such bad taste."

In closing, Mrs. Ahmanson said, "This is the first time anyone has ever done this. We do want this to be a tremendous success."

Students Petition School Cutbacks

The Russian III class has begun circulating petitions throughout the school. A representative from the language class, Andrea Gage, said, "We must express our concern as students with the growing deterioration of the educational system. We want to petition Ronald Reagan Tom Carroll, Jim Keysor and the school board."

The reasons for this student protest is that the cut backs as described that have been proposed are drastic. For instance, a bill has been proposed that says there shall be no classes with less than thirty-seven students. If there are less, the class is cancelled.

Miss Gage said that this would cut out many foreign language classes, advanced placement and academically enriched classes, reading improvement and general special education classes. "Acceleration in certain fields would be limited!" exclaimed Miss Gage.

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Monroe's Knowledge Bowl team is tied with Granada Hills High for the West Valley League championship. Both teams have an 11-1 record.

Vikettes Invade Bowl

The Monroe High Vikettes will appear in the Thirteenth Annual Battle of the Bands in the Hollywood Bowl Friday, June 23.

This musical program, which has some of the finest musical talent in Los Angeles County, includes contending stage bands, school stage bands, combos, vocal soloists and vocal ensembles from the Los Angeles area.

The production dancers, singers and band also consist of local talent (the Vikettes, Birmingham High, and Palos Verdes High).

Tickets can be purchased from the participants or by calling the Battle of the Bands office at 465-3155. Reserved seats are priced at \$3.00, General Admission \$1.50.

Each year a noted composer-conductor appears as Guest Conductor for the Bowl Show. Previous conductors have been: Elmer Bernstein, Bobby Troup, Nelson Riddle and Henry Mancini. Previous judges for the Bowl finals have been: Andre Previn, Cannonball Adderley, Anita Kerr, Alsn Copeland and Louis Bellson. A previous combo winner was the Carpenters.

Berkowitz Impeached

Jeff Berkowitz, Student Body Vice President was officially impeached and removed from office by Student Council Tuesday.

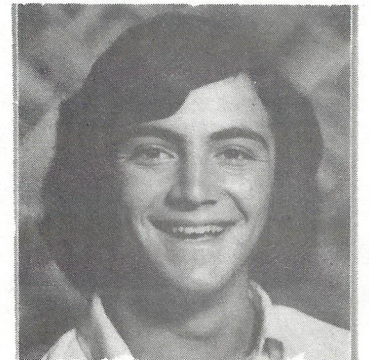
Charges brought against him that were most influential in his impeachment were giving Valkyrie Membership Cards to non-members and not asking for Sponsor Mel Smith's approval of his minutes and other printed material. Jeff was warned not to give this printed material out by Mr. Smith, but ignored the instruction.

When asked about Student Council's decision, Jeff said, "Mr. Smith brought up unreal and exaggerated charges against me. In my opinion, Student Council's

decision clearly does not reflect the opinion of the student body."

Jeff did admit to giving out 18 Valkyrie cards to non-members, as he put it, to people who had been influential in the past in Valkyrie meetings.

When asked why Jeff was impeached Mr. Smith defended his actions by pointing out that he had given an order to Jeff and



Jeff Berkowitz

'Music of Universe'

Airs next Week

The combined efforts of the band, orchestra, and jazz band will present "The Universe of Music" June 7 and 8.

This show will be divided into two parts with a separate concert for each date.

The June 7 performance will highlight "Earth" featuring selections from the Grand Canyon Suite by Ferde Grofe.

The June 8 performance will feature two selections from "The Planets"--"Mars" and "Jupiter"--by Gustav Holst.

Included in the orchestral section will be the Second Annual Young Artists Concert, spotlighting Beth Baker, Diane Chaplin, Carey Coker, Shirley Irek, Bick Newbold and Shauna Newbold, outstanding young performers from Monroe.

Also performing will be the Monroe Vikounts stage band.

Both performances will start at 8 pm in Odin's Hall. Admission will be \$1.00.

Permits Available

190 permits to attend Monroe High next year are available starting today, according to Mr. Robert Kindseth, registrar.

If a student who lives outside the school district wishes to attend Monroe in the fall, he must apply for a permit at his resident school during the week of June 2 to 8.

Students living in the Monroe district who wish to attend another school may also obtain a transfer permit next week in the attendance office.

Michelle LaGore Gets Lettergirls Presidency

At the G.A.A. Hoe Down Wednesday, it was announced that Michelle LaGore was elected to the office of Lettergirl's President.

Other newly-elected officers are Vice President-Tracy Simpkins, Secretary-Debbie Zuckerman, and Treasurer-Barbara Diamond

The Outstanding Lettergirl Award was presented to Bonnie Mohnson. This is a special trophy for Outstanding Service.

Mr. Glen Yotter and Mr. George Schneider were the recipients of the Honorary Lettergirl awards.

The new Lettergirls are Christine Austin, Karen Elias, Julie Grant, Genie Ladd, Lynn Piazza, Barbara Sampson, Susie Shimomaye, Gayle Zimmerman, Teresa Panicello, and Carlu Winter.

Who's Really Confused?

If anyone is confused in the "privacy" issue, it's certainly not Mr. Schneider, but Jay Gramcko and Pete Hess! I am referring to their false and misleading statements regarding citizen's arrest. First, let it be known that there was no "arrest" involved in the entire incident. My advice to both Jay and Pete is to thoroughly investigate statements they plan to make as fact, before publicly stating them as fact.

I am referring to Jay's statement, "...because a minor cannot make a 'legal' citizen's arrest..." and Pete's statement, "We won't get into the fact that citizens under 18 do not have the right to citizen's arrest, since they can't be sued for false arrest."

Let me refer you to the fourteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States: "All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof are citizens of the United States and of the state wherein

they reside..." Now, let me refer you to Section 834 of the California Penal Code which reads as follows: "An arrest is taking a person into custody, in a case and in the manner authorized by law. An arrest may be made by a peace officer OR BY A PRIVATE PERSON." (emphasis added) Directing your attention to Section 837 of the California Penal Code, "a private person may arrest another (1) For a public offense committed or attempted in his presence, (2) When the person arrested has committed, a felony, although not in his presence, (3) When a felony has in fact been committed, and he has reasonable cause for believing the person arrested to have committed it."

(Please note: There is no age restriction on who may make an arrest.) You may confirm this information by calling your local city attorney (782-6125, extension 881). Factually,

Bob Tanner

EDITOR'S NOTE--The city attorney's office in Van Nuys confirmed that section 837 of the Penal Code includes minors under 18, who do have the right to citizen's arrest.

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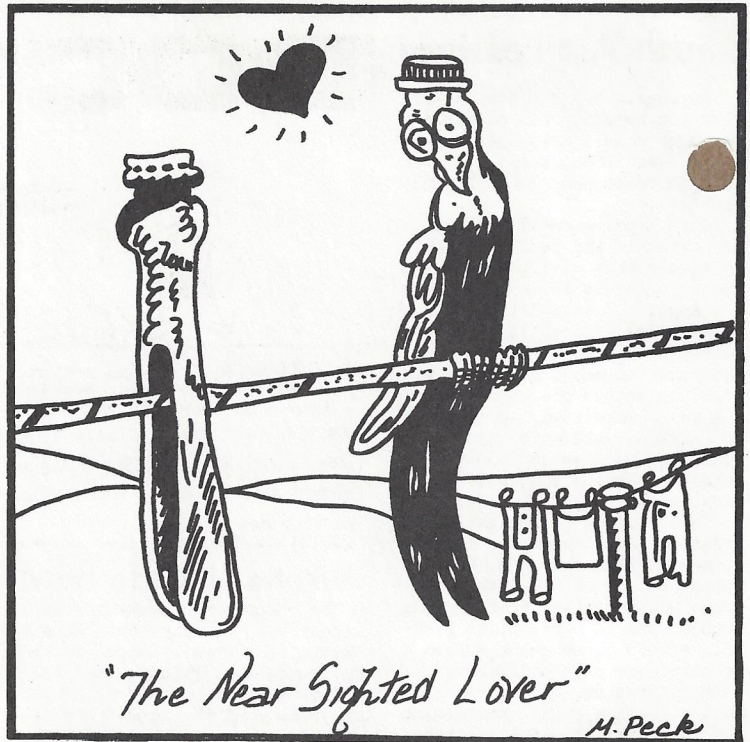


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Voting Procedures Questioned

Elections should be run strictly by the students. It has come to the attention of this writer that many of the faculty have become careless about maintaining a strictly neutral position.

Teacher preference in elections should not be communicated to students.

Votes should be supervised by the faculty not run by them.

If a democratic election is going to prevail in this school,

elections must be more carefully handled and fair play should be strictly enforced.

-Steve Zipp

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