

Suzumoto, Altshul Take Over Top Spots in Class Elections

In the class elections held last week, Mark Suzumoto was voted in as next semester's Elphesian President and Joel Altshul was selected to lead next year's eleventh grade class.

The newly elected senior vice president for the fall is John Pasquariello. There will be a runoff for junior class president today between Kim Purdy and Steve Decea as a result of neither candidate receiving a 5% plurality.

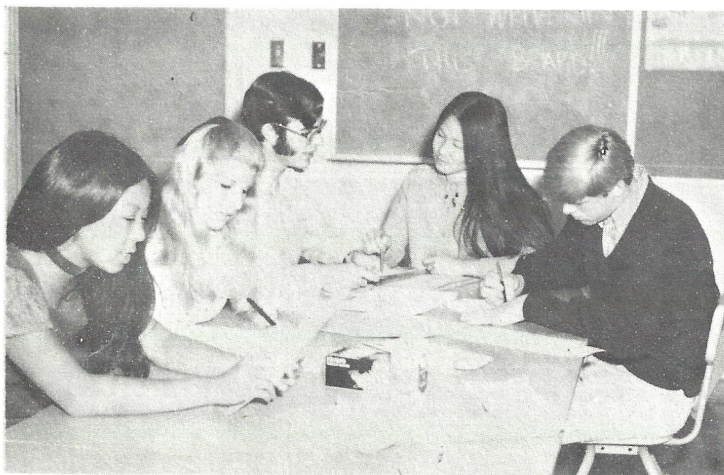
Andrea Gage was voted Senior Class Secretary and Shannon McClary secretary for the junior class. Carol Mayall will take over the position of Senior Class Treasurer.

Mark Suzumoto's platform included adding more privileges to the Senior Privilege card, including a discount at participating merchants. He also advocates issuing second Senior Privilege Card entitling the bearer to leave campus, go to the library, and sleep, pending the teacher's approval for that period.

Some of Mark's other ideas

included a senior tutoring program for seniors, a weekly senior newsletter, and more activities.

Joel Altshul especially wants to promote the idea of pass-fail grading.



COUNTING BALLOTS - of the class elections are Student Council members (from left to right) Kathy Higashida, Janet Berman, Bruce Young, Arlene Jue, and Dave Zenk. -photo by Bob Bastian

Confetti to Feature Art, Literature, Photography

Confetti, an annual collection of the best literary, artistic, and photographic efforts of the student body, is on sale now at the Student Store for 75¢.

The magazine is published by the Writers Club, sponsored by Mrs. Janice Livingston

"Accept no other; Confetti cures all" is written on an old medicine bottle on the front cover. A wood paneling backing high lights the cover. The cover was designed by Brydon Baker.

To make Confetti more interesting, orange print was used.

Pictures of an old man by Kathy Clemans, a tree by Rick Franhuizen, and an old stove by Karla Klarin are just some of the pictures. Drawings are also included in Confetti.

"Life": How Can One Word Imply So Much," by Karen Cohen was stated on the first page.

A story of an old mans' 70th birthday and how this girl felt about what she had not known about her grandfather is written in "Portrait of an Old Man" by Terri Lunie.

"They moved Closer and Closer by Johnna Pierce, tells of how two people move closer only to go farther away.

Ann Joyce's story "Rites of Passage" tells how one piece of paper can mean a new power.

Braves Take Victory Again

For the past 13 years Birmingham High School has reigned as City Swim Champs. Friday, Birmingham proved that they are on their way to number 14 as they completely outclassed their MVL opponents. In the MVL finals the Braves led the way as they piled up 93½ points while the Vikings were a distant second with 53½ points and only who will advance to this Friday's City Semi-Finals.

Despite the overwhelming power of Birmingham the Vikes did manage to capture two first place finishes. Rich Gullixson edged teammate Jim Bollman in the 100 yd. freestyle with a 52.0 time and Mike Staley stroked to a 59.2 victory in the 100 yd. backstroke.

In the Class B finals it was again Birmingham on top with 14 individual qualifiers, Granda Hills second with 11, and Monroe with 6. Jeff Dedrick marked the only first place finish for the Vikes as he won the 100 yd. Backstroke in 1:03.6.

The Viking Cee team qualified 8 swimmers despite the fact that they could not muster a victory, and finished third behind Granda Hills and Birmingham.

71-72 Budget Deficit Foreseen

Last Wednesday a meeting of teachers, students and administrators, met to discuss next year's budget. After an estimated income of \$44,750.00 was subtracted from estimated expenses of \$48,892.72, a deficit of \$4,142.72 in Student Body Funds was realized.

A breakdown of the Student Body budget for 1971-72 surrounds six general categories: Student Body Organizations and Clubs, General Student Body, Publications, Athletics, Fine Arts, and the Student Store.

The Athletic Department uses the largest portion of monies (44% of the VAC) while it is the largest source of income. Despite an income estimated at \$15,

230.00 and the VAC sales, an estimated deficit of \$2,837.72 would result. Baseball is the largest source leading to the athletic deficit. Coach Harry Frum pointed out that such sports as Golf and Tennis could not exist with any money cuts.

The remaining breakdown shows the Student Body Organizations and Clubs at a deficit of \$336.00, Publications at a deficit of \$106.00 the Fine Arts at a deficit of \$250.00, the Student Store at a deficit of the \$595.00, and the General Student Body budgeted even for the year.

It was suggested by Bruce Young that the Board of Education take care of the full load of the Financial Manager's Salary. Presently the school pays half of the Salary (\$5,433.00) and the Board pays the other half. Mr. Larry Foster, who presided over the meeting, said that if the Board had the funds they might pay the manager's full salary. This proposal if successful would make further cuts unnecessary.

The different groupings will get together in an effort to see where cuts can be made without substantial harm to the various program.

Editor's Note - DOCTRINE did not come out last Friday because of an error in Dan Poston's "The President Speaks" column. It was inadvertently published as a news story, without any indication that it was written by the president. Today's issue includes Dan's article in its entirety.

The President Speaks

by Dan Poston

Each day students sit through eight minutes which are tacked on to period two for conducting "homeroom business." This time is reserved for business concerning special programs and extra-curricular activities for students. Every day, however, many if not the majority of students are robbed of this time by teachers who feel that it is merely an infringement on their class time.

Moves are being made by faculty members to severely cutback use of the PA and the bulletin as well as to prevent use of this time for Valkyrie reports and elections. It is my contention, however, that teachers

have no right to take over these eight minutes and begin classwork with students during homeroom time. Communication is poor now at best. Further cutbacks will break the announcements completely. This is true yet, the time is theirs to either listen or not to listen and it should be their individual choice, not the teacher's.

Many proposals have come up to solve this problem. A separate homeroom has been proposed as well as well as a bell to signal the end of the homeroom part of period two. A resolution was passed by Council suggesting to homeroom teachers that the time be turned over to the Valkyrie rep to read the bulletin while the teacher takes roll for example.

Student Council would gladly restrict all our business to those first eight minutes if only the teachers would insure our right to them. There are many teachers now who are very cooperative and reserve that time for student business. Their classes don't suffer because of this. I am certain that if the teachers would work with the students on this, rather than against us and answer to both needs could be found.

Music Students Recognized

The judges for the 31st District FTA music scholarship auditions have selected the following Monroe students for musical awards.

Eugene Carl Jr. and Rick Newbold are music scholarship winners. Stewart Newbold and Randall Garacci were recognized for outstanding achievement. Barbara Balzack, Lisa Miller, and Donald Tucker received honorable mention.

SOUND-OFF

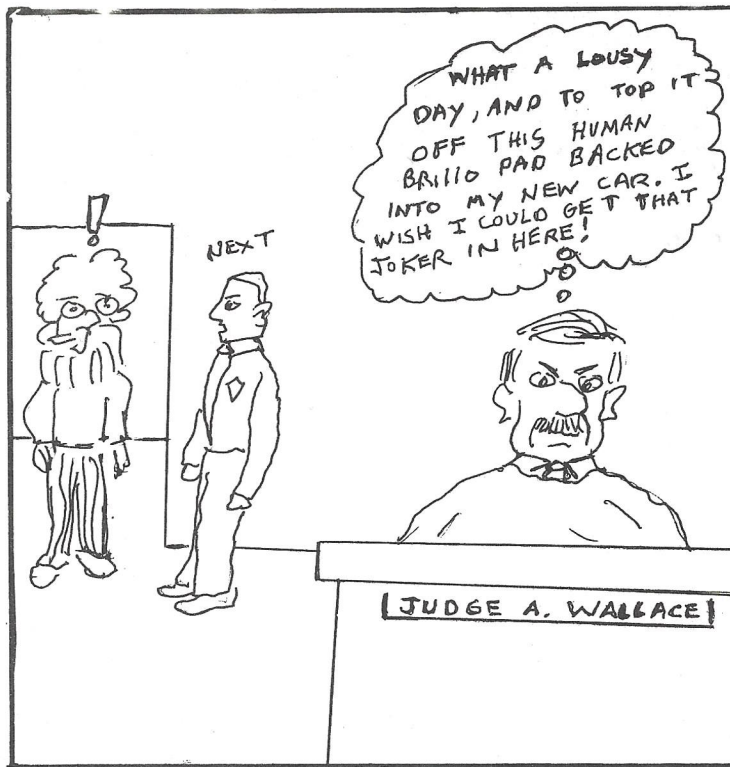
Student Deems School Marriage Laws Unfair

I am married. There's a law in this school which prevents students who are married to attend the same school. My wife is now attending Van Nuys night school. This law is unfair and a clear example of prejudice against students. As many of you know, we have three other married couples in Monroe. But they are permitted to stay. Why? Because they are teachers. Does the fact that they are teachers make them any more married than I am? Does the fact that they are teachers make them any better than I am, as far as my rights are concerned?

I am aware that in the past, teachers who were married were not permitted to work at the same school; but obviously this law has been abolished, for teachers, not students. Why not for students? A place of learning should be the last place one should find prejudice.

Now I ask why this law was injected with. Someone must have thought that married couples would engage in activities unhealthy to the public eye (the school public that is). On the contrary. Married couples tend to refrain from frequently indulging in such activity as they did prior to marriage. Or just plain love is detrimental to the mental condition of the average student.

My wife and I have been done a grave injustice. For the sake of future married couples, I hope this law is rectified.



Hardballers Romp In League Title Clincher

by Greg Waskul

Monroe's Varsity baseball team clinched the Mid-Valley League championship Thursday by trampling San Fernando 9-3.

The win gave the Vikings a 12-0 league record and a four game lead with only three games remaining in the MVL race.

The Vikings broke open a 1-1 game in the bottom of the third as they erupted for five runs.

Skip Willis opened the frame by singling to center, and after the fleet-footed Vike center-fielder stole second, Rich Reinhardt laced a single up the middle and Kim Andrew walked to load the bases.

Craig Cacek next grounded a 2-2 Larry Thomas curve to second baseman Manny Alvarado, but Alvarado's only play was to first as Willis scored from third to make it 2-1.

Jerry McArthur followed with a base-backer to Thomas, and the alert Tiger lefter caught Reinhardt in a rundown, and the Viking second baseman was nailed at the plate to record the second out.

But at this point the roof caved in on Thomas, as he suddenly got wild high. Gerard Grandi singled to right, and Andrew scored from second on the play when he jarred the ball from catcher Oliver Polk in a collision at the plate.

Thomas then issued a free pass to Dennis Shaw to reload the bases, and when Thomas also walked Bill Barto, he was lifted in favor of Mike Garcia. McArthur scored from third on the walk to Barto.

With the score now 4-1, the Vikes got a break when a ground-off the bat of Bob Holt was bobbled by shortstop Squeaky Williams to make the score 5-1. Next Willis hit a slow roller to third, but beat it out for a hit scoring Shaw with the fifth run of the inning.

The Vikings added three more in the sixth on a triple by Willis, a walk and stolen base by Reinhardt, a single by Andrew and errors by Polk and center-fielder Anthony Davis.

COMMENTARY

Proposals by Campus Club Termed 'Very Poor Job'

Although the Campus Beautification Club has worked very hard this semester, I feel they did a very poor job on the quad improvement plan which they formulated.

Despite an overwhelming vote by the student body against cement (2400-600) last semester, the current proposal provides for cementing in part of the quad between A and F halls and the installation of cement walkways.

This is most unfortunate, as my opinion of the Campus Beautification Club was one of optimism as they appeared to be an ecology-minded group.

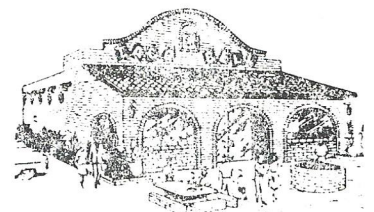
However, the proposal they have submitted for the approval of the student body is ridiculous from an ecological standpoint. In addition, the club has no idea how much the proposed plan will cost. Since the student body has only about \$3800 to spend on quad improvement, I feel that research should have been done to determine the approximate cost of the plan before it was submitted for consideration.

Also, I believe that the student body should be able to choose between several plans rather than being forced to accept or reject a single proposal.

So, I feel that the plan submitted for approval by the quad improvement club is quite poor, and that we, the student body, have no recourse but to vote it down by a resounding margin. After all, it's your decision, not their's.

--Greg Waskul

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