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CLASS UNDERTAKES MANY ACTIVITIES IN 1958-1959

"As a spring dance and a class project are planned for the sophomores this year," states Mr. Terezio Binotto, sophomore class adviser.

Mr. Binotto goes on to say that most of the actual planning is done by the sophomore executive council headed by class officers Paul Jones, Sue Gardella, and Sue Korburn.

Every year there is a dance, and anyone may suggest a theme. This year the sophomore dance will

"ROAR" URGES SOPHOMORE CONTRIBUTIONS, NEW LITERARY MAGAZINE WILL MAKE DEBUT IN JANUARY

WPHS will display its literary talents in the "Roar" to be published sometime in January. "The reason for this new magazine," explained John Loprieno, faculty advisor for the project is to popularize the creative literary talent of people in WPHS. "It is too late to write anything for the first issue, but students are urged to start preparing a poem, short story, or essay, etc. For the second edition, which will be published in the spring. Articles should be given to Mr. Loprieno in room 310.

Mr. Loprieno emphasized that he is particularly interested in sophomore contributions.

take place in the spring. The whole school is invited and there will be a band and entertainment.

This year, as in previous years, there will be a special sophomore project. Last year the class project music in the cafeteria and the Newcomer was the project for the sophomore class in 1954-1955. Various ideas will be discussed in the homerooms, and the homeroom representative will relate these ideas to the executive Council.

The executive council is composed of the sophomore officers and homeroom representatives. It meets once a week and plans the year's activities.

STUDENTS WILL PRESENT CHRISTMAS SHOW DECEMBER 27

The annual Christmas Assembly to be presented on Tuesday, December 23, features any sophomores. School music groups participating include the Girls' Glee Club, the Bengalaires, the A Cappella Choir, and the Orchestra. In addition, several smaller groups will also perform.

The program itself is varied. It includes an original composition. "Sounds of Christmas," By George McCreery, Choral director, and a Chinese carol sung by the Girls' Glee Club. The Choir will again sing "Mary's Little Boy Chile," a calypso carol and the Orchestra, under the direction of Jerome Sala, will play "Christmas Festival," by Leroy Anderson, and other selections.

The "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's "Messiah" will again conclude the program.



EDITORS' CORNER

There are many standards used for measuring the quality of a school. One of these is the school's spirit.

The students of White Plains High School have displayed excellent spirit at our Tiger football games and similar school functions. The majority of the sophomores have joined clubs and participated in after school activities. For this they are to be commended.

Our spirit must go farther than this, however. We must each be proud of our school and express this pride in our school work and behavior, both on and off the campus. Everything we do, both good and bad, reflects on our class as a whole.

With that thought in mind we must all join together, united by our spirit to make this class the best sophomore class WPHS that it has ever had.

by Michael Borgos

YOUTHFUL NOVELIST DESCRIBES NOVEL NOVEL OF THE FUTURE

One of these days I will get around to writing my novel. It is one of my major ambitions.

And it's going to be an "Adventure in Literature"!

Plastered all over the cover of the paper book edition will be such revealing adjectives as "candid", "astonishing", "daring", "stark", "terrifying", and "complete and unabridged"!

c There now.

And I'll give it a title to match. Maybe "On Integral Calculus".

Simplified
And made easy.
For beginners.
For everyone.
For you!

Because it's written so that you can understand it.

With an introduction by Sculley Bradley

A must for all you Sculley Bradley fans.

And friends and relations.

Of course my hardest job is to find a plot.

Let's toss this in the bowl and see if it makes a salad.

The whole world is going crazy; everybody keeps hearing voices.

It turns out that the Martians have been putting radios in peoples' cavities.

But we fix them. We don't let them know that we've caught on and do the same thing to them.

And what's more, Martian cavities only pick up commercials.

No?....no!

THE CLOTHES HANGER

by Terry Rosenthal



As the Winter days come upon us, the sophomores of WPHS feel that they must dress according to the temperature.

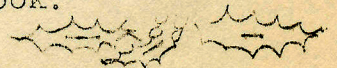
Perennial crewneck sweaters are quite popular among both the males and females. Wearing a shetland wool crewneck of the brightest red, complete with pockets is Sue Angerole while Sandy Metzdorf shows off her gay yellow sweater. Ann Bergren sports a mint green crewneck with a co-ordinate skirt. Not to be forgotten is Toby Parker's lavender sweater with a boat-neck collar.

Proving that the chemise is still with us, are Barbara Gottlieb and Sally Goetschuis, who wear two piece plaid outfits.

Mix and Match separates are well liked by Sonja Saleh who can be found wearing a bright red sweater with a matching skirt.

John Scallet's "Flashy" red tie with silver threads running through it is worth a look!

All in all, this winter is going to be one of the brightest in color. Next time you are in the hallway, stop and take a look.



NEW COMER SPOTLIGHTS

MR. DONALD WLADAVER

Like ourselves, Mr Wladaver is also a "newcomer" to White Plains High School. He is the new chairman of the WPHS language department. Although this year he is teaching just French, Mr Wladaver is also qualified to teach English and Spanish.

Prior to coming to WPHS, Mr Wladaver taught in the Rockland County Public Schools, and later at Barnard School for Boys for five years.

Mr Wladaver is a graduate of Queens College, Long Island. He received his master's degree there in 1947. He studied at the Middlebury College Language School in the summers of 1948, 1956, and 1957. Mr Wladaver did doctorate work at NYU from 1950 to 1955.

During the Second World War, Mr Wladaver served for four years with the United States Army in France. He was an investigating officer, interpreter, and was in charge of Italian, German, and Uugoslavian deportees.

Mr Wladaver was a track star (220, 440 and low hurdles). In 1937 he was the sixth best freshman collegiate 220 low-hurdler in New York City.

PTA WORKING FOR RECORD ENROLLMENT THIS YEAR

This year the WPHS Parent Teachers Association's drive, continuing through the end of November, is aiming for a record enrollment, so that the work of the organization may be enlarged.

Last year's membership figure was 2101. This year, because of a larger school enrollment, the PTA hopes to exceed that figure.

Money from the drive is used for two purposes. First, the money is awarded to deserving and needy students in the form of scholarships so that they may continue their education. Secondly, the PTA gives an annual contribution to the school's General Organization.

Homerooms with 100% membership will be awarded a decorative plaque during a special assembly program.

As his first big project at WPHS, Mr Wladaver, with Miss Maureen Collins, English instructor, organized a French Club trip to New York to see Moliere's "Don Juan". This production was done in French by a French cast. It was very well done.

RAIN FAILS TO DAMPEN

WPHS FEST-I-FAIR

The tenth WPHS Fest-i-fair took place Saturday, October 25. This was the only fund raising event, and the proceeds will go for student scholarships. The theme this year was, "Have Tiger, Will Travel," chosen by the student.

Early in the morning there was to have been a parade; however, this was cancelled due to the rain. In the afternoon there was a football game with New Rochelle High School, won by New Rochelle.

Among the many features of the fair were: Games, movies, pet show, handmade articles, attic treasures, the Oracle booth where Tiger penants were sold, a garden center for those with a green thumb, and stacks of books and records.

Besides all these there was food galore all day and a roast beef dinner at night. There was also a talent show presented by the students.

Despite the rain weather the Fest-i-Fair received a tremendous turnout of adults, children, and students of WPHS.

The PTA wishes to thank those who helped in making the fair a success.

NEWCOMER EXPLAINS MERIT SYSTEM

The other day it came to our minds that there is an important aspect of our school about which very few sophomores know anything. This is the merit awards system. It is the purpose of this article to try to explain this little know subject.

Only a senior is eligible for an award, but points for it may be earned during all three years of high school.

Points are received for participating in different extra-curricular school activities. The amount of points given varies with each activity and with the amount of time given by the student. For instance, a club president earns ten points while a regular club member five. Members of Bengalaire and Glee Club each get eight points. Boys' intramural sports and girls' sports each give four points. Points are also given for GO officers, class officers, and other activities. Because of its length, a complete list of points cannot be given. It should be stated that all figures are maximum number of points only, and that actual awarding is left to the decision of the teacher in charge.

Near the end of

STUDENTS ATTEND LANGUAGE FIELD TRIPS

the senior year the student obtains filing cards at the SA office. He then sees his activity sponsors for the previous three years who initial the student's point credit on the card. To obtain an award the student must have earned a minimum of ten points each year, and must have a total of at least 65 points. The award is in the form of a certificate. Seniors who earn 130 points or more receive a special award.

Second, third, and fourth year French students attended Moliere's "Don Juan" Sunday, November 2.

These 49 students were accompanied by Mr. Donald Wladaver, chairman of the foreign language department, and Miss Maureen Collins, French and English teacher. This play was presented in French at the Theatre National Populaire in New York City.

Mr. Wladaver's French III Class studied, as literature, "Libretto" of Debussy's "Pelleas et Melisande." They then listened to the record. If possible, he would like to do this with other plays or operas, and also see the productions. Otherwise, he will be confined to showing movies in French.

STUDENTS VOLUNTEER AS GUIDANCE GUIDES

The term guidance guides is in reference to those students offering their service to the information center one period a week. The information center in room 102 contains college catalogues and other pamphlets useful to a high school student.

The duties of a guidance guide vary from filing material, greeting visitors who come to the information center, to sending notices to students having overdue catalogues. College catalogues may be borrowed for three days.

Present guidance guides are: Ann Bergren, Marialis Collins, Elaine Crocker, Letitia Ebert, Lynn Erlich, Peter Gladstone, Alice Grant, Sheila Grove, Sandra Heine, Gail Hopkins, Jon Lehman, Jo*Ann Lihn, David Marash and Daniel Morse,

Also working in the information center are Richard Nanneriello, Edith Nevine, Norman Ristin, Richard Rosenber, Mona Schepmoes, Jerilyn Schwartz, Richard Seale, Pat Sennet, Keith Wade, Richard Widdecomb, and Elaine Zaccoppi.

Pupils interested in becoming guidance guides should contact Mr. Stone, guidance director.

WPHS WELL REPRESENTED AT ALL STATE SECTIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL DECEMBER 6, 1958

Members of the band, orchestra, and glee club represented WPHS at the Sectional Music Festival that took place December 6 at the White Plains County Center. This non-competitive festival for high school students was sponsored this year by the New York State School Music Association. After rehearsing Friday and Saturday the groups gave a large concert Saturday night. The pupils that were performing had auditioned and had been picked by the directors of their respected activities.

George McCreery, the director of the glee club, was asked to send three quartets. Those chosen were Marjorie Cline, Larry Brown, Judy Krassner, Lynn Bluffield, Judy Sheldon, Barbara Lee, Richard Gross, James Veny, Michael Russo, John Stevens, Robert Veny, and James Dreisinger.

Jerome Bala, the director of the orchestra sent Edward Bahr, David Guttler, Lale Giottlieb, Robert Grossman, Marilyn Guthrie, Susan Jones, Bob Kane, Paula Kartluke, Paul Karsten, Bruce Lederman, Richard Leibert, Lon Link,

Marie Magrane, Steve Rodner, and Richard Rosenberg to play in the band and also Mary Ellen Bowden, Emily Back, and Cynthia Thompson as orchestra members.

Near the end of January there is going to be an All-State Music festival in Buffalo to which we shall also send representatives, among whom are Richard Bahr, Mary Evans, Cynthia Thompson, and Mary Ellen Bowden.

CLUB WEEK TAKES PLACE WEEK OF OCT. 7TH

Club week, which took place the week of October 7th, was sponsored by the Clubs and Organizations Committee to promote school-wide interest in these activities. Posters pointing out different clubs decorated the halls near the cabinets. On the last day, students were given a choice of approximately sixty clubs, all varied and geared to any interest, however remote. Students wishing to form an new club were offered the opportunity to do so.

Qualifications for joining clubs are few. Among them are 25 interest, willingness to work and the desire to do one's best.

Clubs may be joined any time during school year.

WPHS PLAYERS PRESENT "ANASTASIA" NOV. 14+15

On Friday and Saturday evening, November 14th and 15th, the WPHS players presented the play "Anastasia" under the direction of Edward Kenny in the School Auditorium.

Steve Jantzen, Marjorie Lawson, and Susan Krassner played the lead roles of Prince Lounine, Anastasia, and the Iceberg Empress respectively. Others in the cast included Jack O'Connell, as the artist Peppewin, Paul Jones as the banker Chernov, Geoffrey Tartar as Drivinitz, and Richard Louglass as Berensky.

Concluding the cast were Richard Frazer as Prince Paul, Helen Solana as the Chaperone, Edmund O'Reilly as the sleigh driver, Diane Ellis as Livenbawn, and Harry Rosenblom and Sylvia Levine as Sergei and Vava respectively.

Mr. Kenny said that this was the first time he had ever presented a play at WPHS in the round. He thought this presentation was very successful.

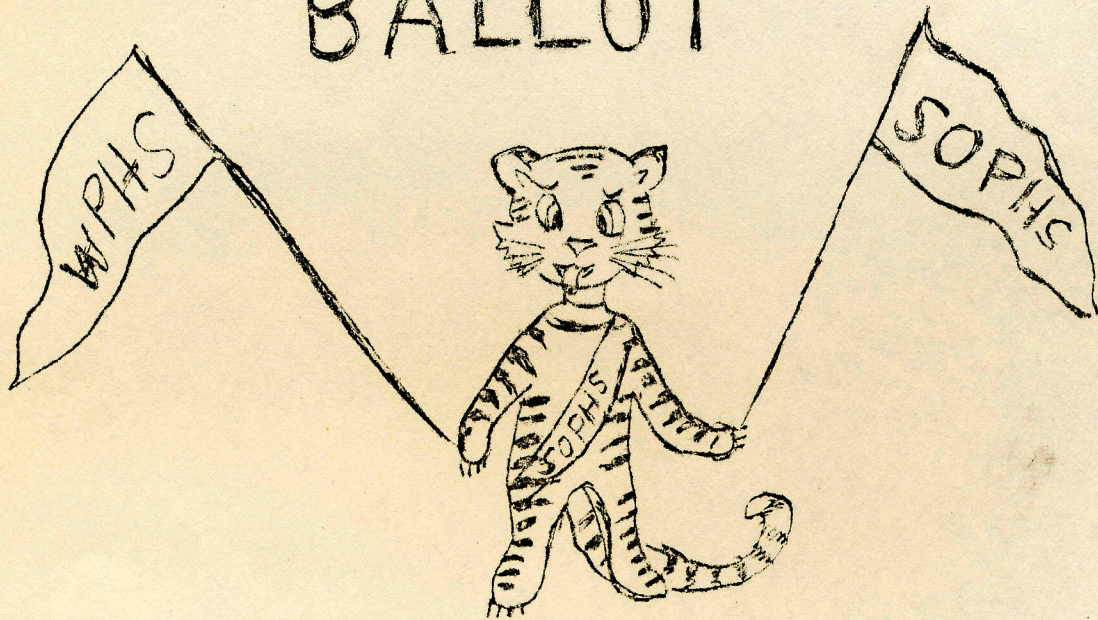
"Anastasia" was easily adapted to performance in the round because the scenery varied little from act to act.

The admission was \$1.00. Approximately two hundred people attended each performance.



After making out this ballot, return it to your homeroom Soph. Exec. Council representative.

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