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STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS CHOSEN

On September 25, students from the seventh and eighth grades voted for their student council officers. The election ended a week of campaigning, and narrowed the wide field of candidates to the final four.

Candidates for the office of president were: Paul Krempasky, Chuck Pukanecz, Glenn Geissinger, Paul Mondschein, and Amy Coval.

Candidates for the office of vice-president were: Melissa Gale, Jeff Grammes, and Lisa Polinchock. All of these candidates were seventh graders, since the student council by-laws require that a seventh grader fill the position.

Candidates for the office of treasurer were: Melanie Heffner, Bert Sweeney, Rich Bach, Dawn D'Andria, Michele Huff, Phyllis Roman, April Marconi, and Chris Joyce.

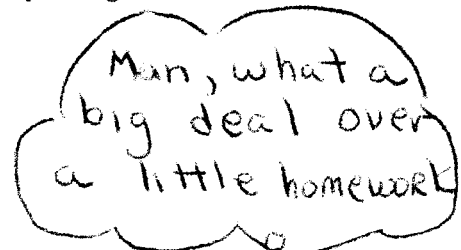
Candidates for the office of secretary were: Sue Miller, Sherry Winstian, Sue Ann Hardy, Candy Carter, Shelly Marushok, and Melanie Kloiber.

One of the highlights of the campaign week was the day the candidates addressed the student body and stated their objectives. Two of the most memorable speakers were Rich Bach and Chris Joyce. Bach's stunning remarks, "I like people, you are people..." will long be remembered. And no one is likely to forget Chris's siren and flashing light hat either.

Clever sayings were another feature of campaign week. The halls were filled with signs containing such slogans as: "Be Tuff, Vote Huff", "Be Smarter, Vote for Carter", "If You Want No Bologna, Vote Marconi", "Don't Commit a Felony, Vote for Melanie", "For Work Around the Clock, Vote Shelly Marushok".

Congratulations to all those candidates with the courage and desire to run, and to the four winners, Amy Coval, Jeff Grammes, Rich Bach, and Sue Miller.

Renee Altofer
Mary Gurgick



STUDENT COUNCIL INTERVIEWS

To help the students in the middle school get to know more about their elected student council officers, we at THE BETWEEN have interviewed Amy Coval, Jeff Grammes, Richard Bach, and Sue Miller, your president, vice president, treasurer, and secretary. We hope these interviews will give you a better idea of what each hopes to achieve.

Amy Coval - President:

THE BETWEEN: Amy, what are you planning for this year?

AMY: "I am planning a number of dances, volleyball games, and any other activities that students want."

THE BETWEEN: Is there any particular goal that you would like to accomplish?

AMY: "My main goal is to take the students' goals and make them happen."

THE BETWEEN: Do you think that this can be achieved?

AMY: "Yes, with the help of the rest of the student council."

THE BETWEEN: Finally, why did you choose to run for president?

AMY: "I ran to try to enhance the school's horizons."

Jeff Grammes - Vice President

THE BETWEEN: Jeff, why did you choose to run for office?

JEFF: "I felt that I could carry out this job. I had some ideas that I felt the student council could use."

THE BETWEEN: Do you think that you will run for president next year?

JEFF: "It depends on how this year goes for me."

Richard Bach - Treasurer

THE BETWEEN: Why did you run for office, Richard?

RICHARD: "I ran because I thought that I could help make this year better."

THE BETWEEN: What did you feel that you had to offer?

RICHARD: "I have always wanted to help people throughout my life. I feel that all I have to offer is doing the best that I can do."

Sue Miller - Secretary:

THE BETWEEN: Sue, why did you run for secretary?

SUE: "Because I felt that I could do a good job."

THE BETWEEN: What did you feel that you had to offer?

SUE: "I felt that I could help make this year go fast for both seventh and eighth graders. I will do my best."

Denise Goodin
Denise Reaman

GOOD DEAL OFFERED

This year the 7th and 8th grade student council is running a candy sale which started the week of October 14. Grades five through eight have been included in this project.

The candy being sold will be a 4.5 oz. chocolate bar. Although the bar itself costs \$1.25, the wrapper is worth \$.70 toward the purchase of a Whopper Jr. at Burger King.

A prize will be awarded to the homeroom selling the most candy and also to individual students for their personal sellings.

Good Deal Offered (cond.)

Students selling fifteen or more bars can receive prizes such as paint sets, photo albums, footballs, basketballs, skateboards, blow dryers, and stereos.

Amy Coval and Melissa Hamm

NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

If you're walking down the hall and you see some faculty members that you don't recognize, don't feel lost. The school has gained a few. One of the new teachers that you may see is Ms. Jennifer Gast. She is another resource room teacher.

You may also run into Ms. Peg Simon or Ms. Whittaker. Both of these new teachers work with the new special education group on the sixth grade floor.

Still another person that you may encounter is Ms. Karen Kraipovich. She is the new aid to Ms. Bischof.

Next time you run into them, make them feel welcome.

Stacy Sieger and Chris Smith

INTEREST GROUPS CHECKED OUT

This is a new school year, and that means new interest groups. We at THE BETWEEN interviewed three of the newer groups to let the student body know what they had to offer. We talked to Mr. Steiner about volleyball, to Mr. Krause about the science fiction group, and to Mr. Seidman about TV production.

In volleyball, there are four teams, the Supersonics, the Invisibles, the Muppets, and The Who. During the first quarter, the teams will play six games to determine a first half champion. In the second quarter, another six games will determine a second half champ. Finally, there will be a playoff to determine the over-all champions.

Mr. Krause and his "different" interest group, the science fiction and fantasy club, will see films on science fiction, design and construct starships and robots, and do drawings of weird and unusual intergalactic beings, sometimes using middle school students as models.

The students in the TV productions group will be working with the school's television equipment. They will also try to get permission to use the TV studio in the Steckel Building. A tour of channel 39 will also be included.

Audrey Morgan and Julie Humanick

SEIDMAN RETURNS

This year Mr. Daniel Seidman, eighth grade English teacher, came back to eighth grade after leaving the second floor to teach sixth grade for one year, replacing Mrs. Sommers when she left on maternity leave.

When asked which grade was easier to teach, Mr. Seidman said neither was easier, since both grades learned on a different level.

Mr. Seidman attended Kutztown State College. He has worked in the school district for six years.

Judy Snyder and Chrisa Keck

SHORTEHANDED?

Miss German, shorthand teacher, has left the Whitehall-Coplay schools for a position at Parkland High School. She will be teaching tenth through twelfth grade there, and she will be teaching business law, clerical practice, and bookkeeping. We wish her the best of luck in her new job.

Judy Snyder and Kris Wetherhold

UNEQUAL AND SEPARATE

Would you like to be able to buy pies, Tasty-Cake, skim milk, or salads in the cafeteria? Did you know that they already have these things at the high school cafeteria?

When THE BETWEEN reporters asked Mr. Lakis, head of the cafeteria system, about this and some other questions about your cafeteria, he refused to answer. Guess if you want the stuff, you'll just have to wait.

Denise Cuth, Renay Levine and Julie Murphy

PHUNNIES?

Paul: "My teacher does good bird imitations."

Chris: "What kind of bird?"

Paul: "She watches me like a hawk."

Bob: "Hey, Carl."

Carl: "What?"

Bob: "I heard that the school is starting a new program that's designed to introduce students to the problems of real life."

Carl: "What's it called?"

Bob: "They've given it the scientific name a ≠ o."

Carl: "What does it mean?"

Bob: "You don't get something for nothing."

Tammy Sukanick and Teri Basara

WORD OF THE MONTH

For this first edition of the new school year, we chose the word raki. We asked some seventh and eighth grade students what they would do with it if they had it. Here are some of the replies:

Sue Miller (7-225)....."Eat it."

Craig Anthony (7-225)....."Sit on it."

Melody Yenser (8-210)....."Put it in a box and give it to Craig."

Bobbi Deutsch (8-233)....."Spit on it."

Stacy Reed (7-218)....."Use it for a decoration."

Jane Flores (8-210)....."Flush it."

Joe Shemanski (7-222)....."Chew it."

In case you've forgotten what raki really is, it's an alcoholic liquor distilled from grain, and flavored with anise.

Denise Gaugler and Allison McCreedy

CLUSTER CHANGES NOTED

You probably have taken notice of the changes in the room clusters on the seventh and eighth grade floor. The math area has been moved to the extreme end of the second floor, and the eighth grade English and social studies departments have been moved to the second floor, center cluster.

We had a talk with Dr. Keim and were told that the move was an administrative decision designed to use the teaching staff and the available rooms most effectively.

Chris Smith and Stacy Sieger

BOOKSTORES EXPLORED

Ever wonder how the middle school bookstore stands up against the high school bookstore? We did, so with the help of Dr. Keim, THE BETWEEN was able to send reporters to the high school and to interview Mr. Northup, high school principal, about the bookstore operation there. We learned that although there are differences, we've got a pretty good thing going here.

Bookstore Explored (cond.)

Many items that are sold, are sold by both bookstores. Bookcovers, folders, gym bags, subject notebooks, pencils, and shirts are among those items handled by both operations.

The high school, however, does have some items for sale that are not available here, but that would probably improve the middle school store. Erasers, pens, markers, and report covers are among those items.

Teri Basara and Tammy Sukanick

BOOKSTORE GETS WHEELS

Need something from the bookstore but can't get there. Is some teacher keeping you from getting that much needed notebook by not letting you (and your five friends) go to the bookstore? Are you too tired to walk to the bookstore at 8:20 AM when you could still be in bed? If you've got one of these problems, your troubles are over.

Recently, the middle school student council came up with the idea of having a bookstore merchandise cart. This cart will COME TO YOU in your cluster and sell you those desirable things that you've been longing for. The idea behind the cart is simple, "If you can't come to the bookstore, the bookstore will come to you."

In case you still like to take walks, the bookstore is still open in its regular location during the times that are posted in each homeroom.

Teri Basara and Tammy Sukanick

THE TEN TOP TUNES

As you walked in the door I wanted to "Kiss You All Over". As he turned on the radio I wanted to "Boogie Oogie Oogie". He's known as the "Hot Child In The City". As I was with him I knew "Love Is In The Air". I felt "Hot Blooded"; as if I was getting a fever of 103°. He said to me "When Ever I Call You Friend" I mean it. As he left he said "Don't Look Back" upon our "Summer Nights". I was "Reminising" to myself about that I'm still "Hopelessly Devoted To You".

Audrey Morgan and Julie Humanick

GOTTA KNOWS

Alex Linton from Ireland "swallows" four 27 inch blades at one time.

The 14 lb. 1 oz. baroque pearl is valued at \$4,080,000 by its' owner; Wilburn Dowell Cobb of San Francisco.

Scott Case smoked 110 cigarettes at once.

The longest moustache on record belongs to Masuriya Din of India.

The Marabou stork has a wing span of 9 feet or more.

The legal professional baseball is restricted to a weight of between 5 and 5½ oz.

The highest waterfall in the world is Angel Waterfall, located in Venezuela. It is 3,281 feet high.

The highest mountain peak of the world is Mt. Everest, in Nepal-Tibet. It is 29,028 feet high.



ROVING REPORTER ROVES

For this edition of the paper, the roving reporters of THE BETWEEN asked some intelligent looking students what they expected from school this year. The reporters also cornered some faculty members with the same question. Here are some of the answers.

Lisa Polinchock 7-214: "Harder than last year, getting lost everyday, getting more homework."

Sharon Nederostek 8-206: "More homework."

Mrs. Ball: "I would like the students to make things for themselves."

Chris Miller 8-221: "Wednesdays off."

Mrs. Pansing: "A busy year, very busy. I will be so busy because I have a lot of paperwork to do. I will be so busy."

Ginny Dannels 8-226: "Fun."

Susan Ludwig 7-227: "Lots of homework."

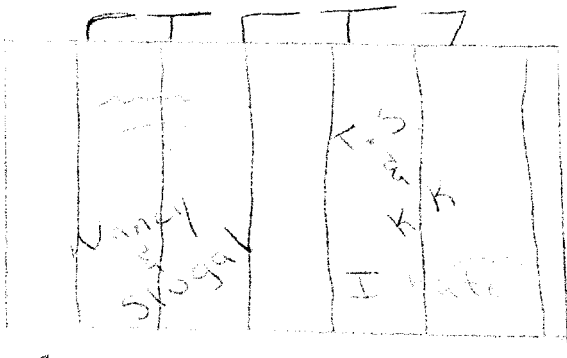
Mr. Kruse: "Ha, Ha, I expect a very happy year. A fun one, too."

Keith Bodisch 8-208: "I don't know, and I don't care."

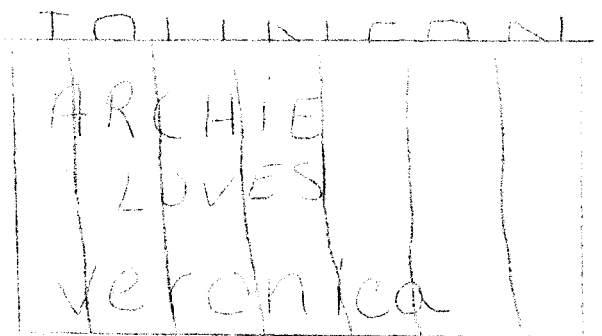
Beth Wright 8-209: "I would just like to pass and go into the high school."

Mr. Fassman: "I would like everyone to pass. I hope that it will be a fun year."

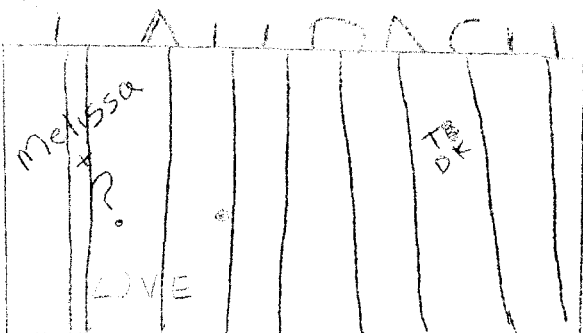
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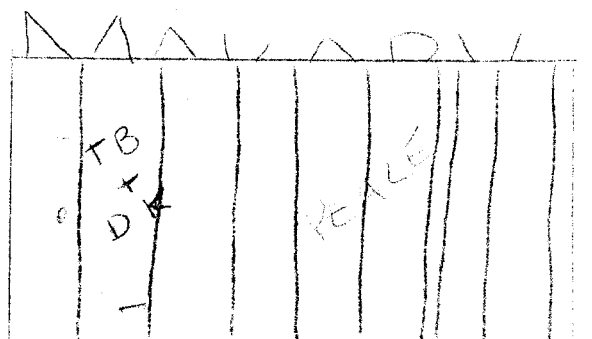
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Roving Reporter Roves (cond.)

Bob Abraham 7-214: "I want to have a lot of fun this year. I want to be in eighth grade next year."

Nat Mertz 7-214: "I expect a lot of fun."

Jane Moyer, Diane Lockner & Melanie Kloiber

FIFTH GRADE FLASH

This year, for the first time, the fifth grade floor has its own newspaper. The name of the new paper is the FLASH! A contest was held to choose the name for the paper, but it ended in a five way tie. Finally, a winner was chosen. Matthew Kline (5-3) came up with the name.

Mrs. Nancy Berner, newspaper advisor said that the major emphasis of the tabloid will be "To let all the kids express themselves." The first edition of the paper is expected to be released some time after the end of the first quarter.

Lisa Link