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GRAND FENWICKS FINEST present American captives to their Dutches as her subjects look on. Left to right the characters are portrayed by Roger Turner, Tom Hampton, Dorinda Gilmore, Joe Hampton, Afford Good, Vickie Dekle, Jim Morgan and Cheryl Chambers.

## Second Annual Play to be Presented By Dramatics Club, February 24-25

Lasseter's Dramatics Club will present its second annual play, *The Mouse That Roared*, a comical political satire on the United States, by Leonard Wibberly. The play will be on February 24 and 25.

The Dutches Grolaria, ruler of a very small country in the Alps, declares war on the United States. After studying recent history she decided that a sure way of getting rich quickly would be to lose a war to the United States and receive aid, relief, and rehabilitation. But Tully Bascomb upsets her plans when he and his bowmen unexpectedly win.

There are thirty-three characters including: Grolaria — Vickie Dekle; four American tourists: Mary — Cheryl Douglas, Jane — Gail Wood, Fran — Elizabeth Barry, Pam — Charlene Brown; Ann — Cheryl Chambers; Norma — Annette Allen; Helen — Teresa Cash; Page — Sandra Frost; Miss Johnson — Judy Curtis; Miss Wilkins — Deborah Dickey; Jill — Dorinda Gilmore; Debbie — Vivian Sapp; Mrs. Reiner — Mary Skaggs.

Others include Mrs. Bascomb — Terrie Becker; College student — Diana Smith; Count Mountzejoy — Jim Morgan; Tully Bascomb — Cliff Good; David Bent — Chuck Skalko; Mr. Benton — Ken Howard; Professor Kohntz — Jack Kofler; President Douglas Smith; General Snippet — Tom Hampton; Will Tatum — Roger Turner; three soldiers — Neil Thomason, Joe Hampton, Ken Howard; Tom Mulligan — Paul Rowland; and two students — Daryl Daniels, Cromia Waters.

Others helping in the production of the play are: technical director — Mr. Robert Ayers; stage manager — Mary Jo Carroll, Gail Clance; finance manager — Sheila Sampson; prop manager — Dorinda Gilmore; costume manager — Cheryl Chambers; and publicity chairman — Jenny Peirone.

"I feel this play is one that offers challenge to high school actors and actresses as well as entertainment to high school audiences," Mrs. Dee Ann Earle said. "Its popularity is evidenced by the

## Richardson Named LHS Star Student

Patty Richardson, a Lasseter student, has been named STAR student.

This honor was awarded her on the basis of College Board tests, scholastic average, and top position in her class.

Patty has chosen Miss Mary Dozier, who taught her ninth and tenth grade algebra, as her STAR teacher. Patty says of

Patty Richardson Miss Dozier, "She inspired me to question and dig for a reason for every problem." Miss Dozier now teaches mathematics at Miller Junior High School.

Next, Patty will compete on the county level for STAR student, after which comes the state-wide competition.

Attending Mulberry Methodist Church, where she is an active member, Patty is Vice President of the M.Y.F. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. A. Richardson of North Avenue. In school, she is vice president of Beta Club, a member of Chemistry Club, and on Student Council. Patty's hobby is collecting mugs, two of which are a pewter and pine tankard and a duck mug.

Patty will be attending North Georgia College next year and will major in mathematics. She plans to teach mathematics or be a computer programmer.

fact that it has been produced successfully in literally hundreds of high schools all over the United States in the past year. I believe our production at Lasseter will be one more success."

Tickets for the play will be sold by the Dramatics Club. Prices will vary. For unserved student tickets, the price is 50c, for reserved students tickets, 75c. Adult tickets, unserved are 75c and reserved, \$1.00.

## Science Classes Tour J.F.K. Space Center

Six, five, four, three, two, one . . . Ignition! Thirty-six eighth graders from Mrs. Velma Wohlford's science classes were launched on their mission to Marineland and Cape Kennedy, Florida. The girls were accompanied on their weekend-long trip, from January 19-20, by Mrs. Wohlford, Miss Ann Henry, Mrs. Evelyn Dean, and Mr. Sterling Nelson.

The first stop on the trip was a visit to Marineland. There the girls oo'd and ah'd over the porpoises at the Marineland show. One student vowed, "I'd gladly take one home with me." Pressing their noses against the glass to get a better look, the girls also watched the feeding of the fish and other sea life in the large aquarium.

The busload of girls arrived at Cape Kennedy Friday morning, where the students were taken on tour of the Space Center by Mr. Gifford. He showed them the parachute building where the huge orange and white parachutes for re-entry vehicles are packed, followed by a tour of the Space Museum. There rockets and the Gemini-Mercury service units were pointed out.

Continuing their tour, the girls saw mobile launch pads, the Friendship Seven Monument, and the Vehicle Assembly Building. This giant hangarlike building is the place where the Apollo project's Saturn V rocket is assembled. After being told that it could contain four Empire State

## Faculty Completes Evaluation Reports

The faculty at Lasseter has now completed their 'homework' in the evaluation of the school.

Each faculty member was responsible for making out a report, bringing out the strong and weak points of their respective department. These self-study reports have been presented at the faculty meetings.

During the reports, it was discovered that the English Department has graded 4,000 theses; and the Music Department has spent 300 hours in after school practices.

The Foreign Language Department taped its report and played it back to the other faculty members in the lab, over the earphones.

The Physical Education teachers presented their report by ringing the basketball goal and shooting balloons on an archery target to demonstrate their aims and goals. The Science Department's evaluation opened with a squirt of a fire extinguisher and consisted of a microscopic projection on the wall along with the report.

Mrs. Velma Wohlford, chairman of the evaluation committees said, "The reports have been varied and most interesting. They show that much time has been given to careful and honest looks at our school situation — our weaknesses as well as our strengths."

"There are other outgrowths of this study that to me seem important enough to mention:

"1. Each teacher enjoys a feeling of satisfaction in knowing the total school program.

"2. There has developed among the faculty a close, warm feeling for one another as they have spent many hours working together toward the same goal — improvement of Lasseter."

The final step in the evaluation will be April 10-12, when the Visiting Committee of the Southern Association will inspect Lasseter.

## News Briefs

The eighth grade class has chosen as their mascot, a Leprechaun, and its colors, dark green and light green.

The Senior English classes saw the two hour film of *Hamlet* yesterday, starring Sir Laurence Olivier.

The NASA Space Demonstration visited Lasseter on February 3, along with two officials from the John F. Kennedy Space Center, Kenneth Coleman and James Watkins. Mr. Coleman gave a lecture to the assembly on the history of rocketry, present developments in space science, and future possibilities in the space field.

Graduation invitations have been ordered for Lasseter seniors and they are currently being mended for caps and gowns. Lasseter's first graduation will be held on the night of June 3 at the City Auditorium.

## Four Students Nominated For Honors Program

Four Lasseter students have been selected to compete on the state level for the fourth annual Governor's Honors Program. Tenth graders are Corliss Carr, nominated in the field of math, and Ann Phillips, nominated in social studies. Eleventh graders are Jackie Sparks, who is competing in English, and Claire Eschmann, nominated in science.

These students have already been tested on the county level. A final test will be administered to them on February 18 at Willingham High School. The results of this test will determine which students are to attend the Governor's Honors Program.

Also applying for admission are Renee Grande and Diana Moricle in the field of music. These students will be screened on the basis of state-wide auditions.



Karen Kitchens and Lisa Lumpkin pose by the Mercury Spacecraft modeled at John F. Kennedy Space Center.

Buildings, one student exclaimed, "It looks like a monster from a science fiction book."

Most of the budding scientists who made the trip felt that they would one day like to be a part of the NASA. The journey convinced them that being a space scientist would be a most rewarding experience.

## Bomb Scares Inconvenience LHS Students And Faculty

The bell has just rung at Lasseter, and supervision is getting underway. Suddenly the telephone in the office rings. "There's a bomb in the school," a masculine voice repeats, and click! the phone goes dead. In the next instant the persistent buzz of the fire drill bell jars the school, and a sigh goes up. "Oh, no! Not another bomb scare!"

Lasseter and Mark Smith have been plagued with bomb threats five times since September, twice within a single week. The first several times the threats occurred where we were able to laugh them off, but after five times - enough is enough! Fortunately, a bomb hasn't been discovered in either school - the incidents turned out to be practical jokes. However, this kind of joke isn't really funny, especially when it is played over and over again.

These senseless bomb scares serve no other purpose than to inconvenience both the students and the faculty. Having to stand outside in the rain and the cold for thirty minutes or longer is uncomfortable at best. Everyone suffers because of the disruption to the school's time schedule, and the loss of class time must be a great annoyance to the teachers. And pity the poor firemen who must take time off to search for a non-existent bomb.

Can anything be done to prevent these ridiculous pranks? Not until the prankster who make the telephone calls is discovered. The first clue necessary to break "The Case of the Mysterious Bomb Host" has already been uncovered. As a result, several suspects have been apprehended by the police. Let's hope this ends these inconvenient bomb scares!

## Miss Henry Speaks

### Goal Of Lasseter Evaluation To Be Improvement Of School

Our school life this year has been filled with activities related to the evaluation of our school by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. There have been compositions on school purposes, surveys, and questionnaires. The faculty has been busy with committee work and general meetings.

If this work is to be worthwhile, it is essential that all of us have clearly in mind its purpose - improvement of the school. We need to

be aware that we are involved in a large-scale, organized effort to do that which we as individuals and smaller groups do constantly. First, we define our objectives; second, we take stock of our present situation, facing honestly our strengths and weaknesses; then, we determine what steps are necessary to move us toward our goals.

As the culmination of our self-study we will have the privilege of having a dozen or more distinguished educators from across our state visit with us in April. As they come to know our school, its goals and its accomplishments, they will be able to give us invaluable suggestions for solving problems and for improvement.

I am confident that no student body has greater pride in its school than you have in Lasseter. This is splendid and I share this pride. Yet our pride must never be egotistical, cocky, or complacent. We must search for better more effective ways to achieve our aims. We must take advantage of every opportunity to broaden our horizons and expand our vision.

Miss Ann Henry  
Principal



## The Lantern

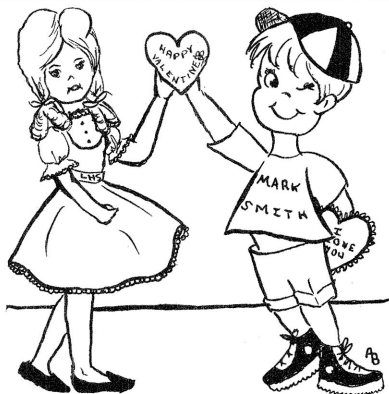
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## Guest Editorial

### Maconite Looks Back On Experiences Of Her 1953 Reign As Miss America

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Neva Jane Langley was the first Georgia representative to win the Miss America title. A native Floridian, she was attending Wesleyan College in 1953, the year she captured the crown. Now Mrs. William Fickling, Jr., she lives in Macon with her husband and children. In this article, Mrs. Fickling recalls experiences she had and emotions she felt during her reign as Miss America.

My first memory of a Miss America is of Jacques Mercer, who made the headlines as the shortest girl to ever become Miss America. At sixteen, I had just become Florida's Tangerine Queen and I guess that is why I remember this incident.

My triumph as the Tangerine Queen was due to the effort of a very nice photographer who had often tried to get my parents to let me compete for one of the many titles. It never entered my mind that I might be in the Miss America Pageant until I was nineteen.

In high school I was fortunate enough to receive many honors. Because I was voted "most popular" for three straight years I was the subject of an article on popularity in the Ladies Home Journal. I can brag now because I never thought any of this was due to being pretty.

I loved people and tried to be friendly to everybody. If there was any detrimental effect of being Miss America it was that I became less warm and friendly. I got tired of smiling and being friendly to people who were only autograph seekers. In retrospect, I think I was a happy, well-adjusted teenager and loved every minute of these years.

After high school, I went to Florida Southern College in Lakeland, then transferred to Wesleyan Conservatory to work for a bachelor's degree. I loved playing the piano and knew that I wanted to major in music. I did not have to dream up a talent to be in the Miss Macon Contest - I had no choice - playing the piano was the talent I knew best.

I worked very hard after winning Miss Macon and Miss Georgia. I spent the summer before going to Atlantic City in summer school at Wesleyan practicing five or more hours a day. I was rewarded for my hard labors by not only

winning the bathing suit trophy and the title of Miss America but also the one I had really worked for - the talent competition.

What is it like to be Miss America? I'm afraid I don't have the time, space, or talent to really describe it. It is a combination of fun and work; tears and smiles; independence and confusion; artificiality and reality. And it comes to a girl in only one night!

After the busy week of competition and the final night of the Pageant, the Coronation Ball and finally getting to sleep at four a.m., I had to face eighth graders and reporters at nine a.m. the same morning, looking my best, for my first press conference.

Imagine, one night you belong to only your parents, the next day you belong to the entire country. Your life becomes an open book to the public. Reporters in general were most complimentary but some will sneak, peek, and fabricate for a good story.



Neva Jane Langley Fickling as Miss America.

In one instance, I was amazed to read in Dorothy Kilgallen's Column that I was about to be married - to a boy that I had dated only one time. Of course, I wasn't thinking of getting married, to any one.

I was thrown into the fast pace of public appearances so quickly that it took me a while to realize I wasn't really dreaming. The same day of my first press conference, I had to make three public appearances.

Next, I was flown to New York for wardrobe fittings and then I really did feel like Cinderella. The most beautiful gowns and dresses were designed and made especially for me. One designer thought my most flattering color was pink and at the end of the first I found myself with thirteen

## Book Review

### Golding's Novel Explores Aspects Of Human Nature

What would the world be like if there were no adults to supervise children—if they were left on their own to deal with life? How would the children organize their society? Could they cope with everyday problems successfully?

Would there be moral decay and human degeneration, or could they make the world a better place with their optimistic outlook and youthful innocence?

**Lord of the Flies** by William Golding answers these questions in a vivid and convincing story that gives deep insight into the psychological aspects of human nature. Golding's novel, in addition, is an exciting, if somewhat gruesome adventure tale.

An airplane, evacuating children from a tropical island, crashes at sea and a storm washes the surviving youngsters to the shore of an uninhabited island. They realize that they must make some kind of workable society if they are to survive.

One of the boys, Ralph, is elected leader of the group. He divides the older boys into groups of hunters, builders, and watchers of fire—which is kept constantly burning atop a mountain as a signal flame.

Ralph's organization runs smoothly until the boys become dissatisfied with their positions. The hunters fail to find meat, the watches fail to fire the fire, and the shelters of the builders collapse.

These problems, along with a general resentment of Ralph and authority, begin the degeneration of morals and order. The result is a savage hatred and violence that turns friend against friend.

The boys are soon divided into two opposing camps. They revert to cave man standards as their society crumbles and they engage in a murderous war for survival.

**Lord of the Flies** is a symbolic novel that reveals how a "civilized" society can revert to the base of primitive living. The two opposing forces of the boys represent the struggle between the East and the West in today's Cold War. Golding seems to be saying that the evils of society are born of the evils of man.

pink morals.

I think the highlight of the year came in December of 1952 and January of 1953, exactly fourteen years ago. I flew from New York to Los Angeles, to be the hostess for Look's All-American Football team.

The plane departed from Los Angeles and circled the country gathering the All-American football players and sports writers. We were taken to New York, and given the grandest week ever. We ended the whirlwind tour of fun and entertainment on Ed Sullivan's Show.

On December 28, I flew back to California to attend the Rose Bowl game and to be in the Rose Bowl parade, the most beautiful in the world. I rode on the Minute Maid Float which cost \$10,000 to make. If you've seen the parade on television just imagine it ten times as

Getting on a float at six a.m. after New Years Eve in Los Angeles is no healthy thing even in California with the sun shining. (Continued on page 3, Col. 1)

## Beta Club Forms Washboard Band

Fourteen Lasserter Beta Club members will attend the Georgia Convention along with their advisor, Mrs. Gloria Jean Stokes.

The convention will be held at the Dinkler Plaza in Atlanta, March 10-12. Plans slated for the convention include a banquet, dances, workshops, and campaign speeches by candidates for state offices.

Also a talent show will be presented, with Beta members from clubs all over Georgia participating. The Lasserter Club is preparing a wash board band for the event.

The band members include Terrie Becker, tub and whisk broom; Beverly Clance, spoons; Margie Davis, bass tub; and Janice Dick, playing the comb. Claudia Medley will play the sandpaper sticks; Valeria Murphey, the washboard and thimble; Karen Ouzts, the tambourine; and Patty Richardson, the gung.

Other members attending the convention will be Gayle Clance, Linda Webb, Jeanette Fortin, Diane Stewart, and Melinda Bedingfield.

## Miss America

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Follow it with an equally memorable parade in Washington, D. C. in freezing weather and you begin to catch a pretty fair cold.

I was in Washington for something special — Eisenhower's inauguration. I attended a congressional session, followed by the inaugural ceremony and the Inaugural Ball.

I was due in Chicago, and the next day the cold became a really fair cold. Then I had to wait six hours for a flight from Chicago to Winona, Minnesota, where the flight was cancelled so I got on a train and arrived at five a.m. in ice and snow with eight below zero.

I began to wonder if I would make the parade that was supposed to start the Winter Carnival ten the same morning. After two hours sleep I got warmer and finally admitted that I was sick, but everyone said, "Can't you make it through the morning?" I replied that I was really feeling tired, so a doctor was sent to see me, and then an ambulance. I finally spent my 20th birthday in the hospital in Winona, Minnesota, with pneumonia.

A funny thing happened to me in Wilmington, North Carolina. I really can't even remember why I was there, but I had an over-shadowed the occasion. Along with Miss America, the city officials had invited an outstanding radio personality, who was a charming, overweight man of about 50 years.

It had been raining for several days and we were delighted from the usual chauffeured official Miss America car, I was faced with a great puddle of water. I suppose the dear soul immediately thought of his home state and Sir Walter Raleigh. However, then the 20th century didn't usually have capes with them, so he insisted on carrying me across.

I finally said, "Yes, you may carry me over the puddle." With great chivalry he picked me up and gallantly prevented my dirty suit from getting a speck of water on them. The next day the newspaper ran a huge story about my "Mr. Noble" with an x-ray picture spotting a fractured point.



SCENES FROM THE MR. MARK SMITH CONTEST. Upper left, Candidate Dirk Thomas answers a question posed by M. C. Patty Richardson. Lower left, Candidate Donnie Wayne Churchwell, his campaign manager Susan Stephens, and Kitty Pertsch watch the proceedings from the stage. Center, Mr. Mark Smith's court includes Churchwell, John Skalko, Thomas, and Thomas Edwards. Also pictured are Billy Kilgore, Mr. Mark Smith, and Ed Cagle, the recipient of the first "Daddy Bulldog" Award. Upper right, Dirk Thomas and Thomas Edwards congratulate newly-crowned Mr. Mark Smith, Billy Kilgore. Lower right, Candidate John Skalko looks over M. C. Patty Richardson's shoulder as she reads his question.

## Billy Kilgore Crowned First Mr. Mark Smith

Billy Kilgore, a Junior at Lasserter's brother school, was awarded the Mr. Mark Smith title after a week long campaign, sponsored by Lasserter's Senior class. This contest was designed to pick the ideal Mark Smith boy and to raise funds for the sponsoring class.

Sixteen boys from Mark Smith were chosen to run in the contest. Each had a Senior from Lasserter as his campaign manager. She was responsible for making his poster, decorating the container for his votes, and collecting as much money as she could for her candidate.

All of the campaign managers visited Mark Smith either before school or at lunch, to give the boys a chance to vote also. Of the sixteen candidates, it was decided that the five who had the greatest amount of votes (money) were to become the five finalists. These boys were then subjected to two thought questions each during assembly on January twenty-fourth. Thomas Edwards, Donnie Wayne Churchwell, Billy Kilgore, John Skalko, and Dirk Thomas, the five finalists, were considered by the judges.

As it turns out he had cracked a rib in lifting me over the puddle.

The year was full of meeting famous personalities in every field. One of those I enjoyed most was Bennett Cerf, who wrote an article in Esquire on Miss America and was also on the panel of "What's My Line" when I was the mystery guest.

In contrast to Bennett Cerf, it was interesting knowing Mickey Spillane. I loved being with Bob Hope—he is as funny off screen as on and was with me on several occasions and sat with Pearl Buck at a luncheon. The list goes on and on.

The weeks flew by in this, my most memorable year. Almost too soon it was time to step aside for a new Mr. America. Who would I do? Finish school or try New York and Hollywood? Had I had enough glamor? Had being at the top given me enough insight to know that I didn't always want to live in a fishbowl?

Yes, I would not have been happier when I returned again to the warmth, friendliness and the casual life of a coed on the college campus.

Neve Jane Langley Fickling

on their answers to the questions. When the judges returned with their decision, Kilgore was presented the Mr. Mark Smith crown and ribbon by Susan Stevens, president of the senior class.

Kitty Pertsch, Kilgore's manager said, "I thoroughly enjoyed working as Billy's campaign manager."

## Jaycees Name Gurley Outstanding Educator

Allan W. Gurley, husband of Mrs. Jeannette Gurley, the head of Lasserter's business education department and annual advisor, was named Outstanding Young Educator at the Macon Jaycees' annual banquet on January 19.

From this nomination, Gurley is now entering in state competition, under recommendation of the Jaycees.

Gurley is the Administrative Assistant in charge of Bibb County Schools. The award was given upon his nomination by Dr. Julius Gholson and his selection by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Chosen on the basis of his contribution to education, Gurley has held positions of teacher and assistant principal at East Hall High School in Gainsville, Georgia. Later, he served as director of Peabody Lab School at the Woman's College of Georgia in Milledgeville, and before that, Gurley acted as the Hall County Schools' Curriculum Director.

## Lasserterites Attend All-State Auditions, McEvoy Band Clinic

Two LHS students participated in the All-State Band, Chorus, and Orchestra auditions which were held at Lasserter last month.

Donna Reeves, second soprano, was auditioned for the chorus; and Renee Granado, who plays violin, tried out for the All-State Orchestra. The results have not been released.

Seven students from Lasserter also attended the Band Clinic held at McEvoy High School, which was open to all members of the Sixth District Band. These students were Tanya Baker, Lynne Bohac, Paulette Davis, Lydia Mitchum, Diane Morlice, Jeanne Williams, and Louise Shepherd.

He deserved the title and I'm sure he will represent Mark Smith well."

Also during the assembly, the campaign manager for each of the finalists presented their candidate to the Lasserter student body. Terrie Becker and Candra Phillips each gave a campaign speech for their candidates, John Skalko and Dirk Thomas respectively. A trio consisting of Susan Stevens, Kitty Pertsch and Marilu Pittman then presented their candidates through a song.

Patty Richardson, master-of-ceremonies, then asked the boys their questions. While the judges were deliberating, each of the sixteen candidates was given a red and black beanie and the trio sang a song especially dedicated to all of the boys who ran for Mr. Mark Smith.

Susan Stevens then presented Mr. Ed Cagle, principal of Mark Smith with the "Daddy Bulldog Award", which was a red and black stuffed bulldog.

From this project the Senior class made \$200.00. Miss June Emmett, advisor for the class, said, "This was a very successful pro-

ject for the Seniors. The girls enjoyed it and made all the money they need for the year."

Miss Sandra Young, the other advisor, agreed with Miss Emmett by saying, "I hope that we continue to use this as a Senior money-making project for the future."

Contestants and their campaign managers included Smith Seniors John McCord, Vicki Trawick, Thomas Edwards, Marilu Pittman; Thursley Gordon, Sandy Price; and Donnie Wayne Churchwell, Susan Stevens.

Eleventh graders participating were Billy Kilgore, Kitty Pertsch; Jeff Bridges, Kathy Waters; Bob McDavid, Pam Kelley; and tenth graders Chuck Wells, Linda Anderson; Scott Judd, Teresa Adams; and Benji Edwards, Dolores Chupp.

Ninth and eighth graders were Dirk Thomas, Candra Phillips; John Skalko, Terrie Becker; Brian McDavid, Harriett Hutchings; Chris Chancey, Patty Richardson; Ronald Carroll, Claudia Medley; and Allen Kitchens, Valeria Murphey.

## Future Homemakers Of America Install Balinda Dykes First Annual "Miss FHA"

Balinda Dykes, a sophomore at Lasserter has been crowned the first annual Miss FHA, after competing with other girls in a contest requiring scholarship, leadership, and citizenship. Preceding the contest, each girl turned in a list of her personal qualifications, each counting a certain number of points.

Among the necessary requirements were the maintenance of a B average, participation in student council activities, and being an active member of FHA. Finalists were chosen on the basis of points.

Now working on her junior degree in home economics, Balinda must carry out four varying projects. These include a project for the community or school, one for FHA itself, a personal project, and a family goal. This degree program in home economics is in its first year at Lasserter.

Balinda claims, "I'm very excited and honored that I have been crowned Miss FHA. It came as a real surprise. The competition was hard, with so many other qualified girls. I intend to do all I can to help the Future Homemakers to become an even greater club than it already is."



Balinda Dykes

Balinda, who resides at 4148 Caroline Drive with her parents, spends her leisure time cooking, sewing, and collecting banners. Other favorite pastimes include sports and playing with her pets. Balinda is an active member of Faith Baptist Church.



## Spirit Week at Lasseter...



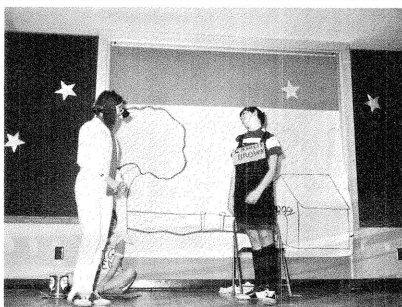
GRAND FINALE of the eighth grade skit featuring the class song.



MARGARET STALLINGS, portraying Hamlet's ghost in the senior skit, roars "Swear! Swear by the sword!"



PENNY WOOTEN as a senior named Pig Pen as part of the junior skit.



SNOOPY AND CHARLIE BROWN portrayed by Wynelle Glendenning and Cindy Harrison in the junior skit.



BEELEZEBUB portrayed by Cheryl Starr, claims that he has "Lost Paradise" in the senior skit.



A FRESHMAN gets spirit from her grandmother on a visit to freshman heaven.



LITTLE BOY BLUE, alias Jackie Waters, chats with Wallflower Rhonda Koplin in the sophomore skit.



## Music Meet Held Here

The annual Sixth District Music Festival will be held this year at Mark Smith and Lasseter on March 3 and 4. The festival is a highlight for all the bands in Middle Georgia. Each band will play three arrangements.

The Mark Smith Band will play "March Independents" by R. B. Hall, "First Suite in E Flat for Military Band" composed by Gustav Holst, and "Jedermann" by Whear. The Lasseter High Hatters band will play "Beau Galant," "Balled in Folk Style," and "Crusaders Hymn."

Besides the bands, the majorettes and flag twirlers, who rated number one last year, will compete with other twirlers from Middle Georgia.

The hardest event in the festival is sight reading. Mr. Barnett, the conductor of the Mark Smith Band, says, "The only way to practice for this is to play as much new music as possible." The Bulldog Band has been practicing since before Christmas for this festival and is looking forward to it.

Also participating in the Music Festival will be Lasseter's Junior High Chorus, Senior High Chorus, and the Chorales. The Junior Chorus will sing "Oh Be Joyful in the Lord," and "I Gave My Love A Pretty Little Ring." The Senior Chorus will sing "Alleluia" and "Charlottown."

The festival is open to anyone who wants to come. Barnett welcomes everyone from both schools to come listen to our bands play. "It will be an open house affair," he says.



### LIBRARY ASSISTANTS

Library problems and errors in library service were discussed at the past meetings of the Library Assistants Club. Also, the club joined with Student Council to see a film which was presented by Mrs. Virginia Berlin.

### CHEMISTRY

The Chemistry Club has now been added to Lasseter's list of activities. It meets on the first and third Thursday of each month and is advised by Mrs. Norma Phillips. At the first meeting, Candra Phillips was elected President and Margie Reynolds, Vice President. Patty Richardson received the office of Secretary and Cynthia Struby, Program Chairman.

The club has held discussions on the effects of aspirin, alcohol, and LSD. Qualifications for membership have also been discussed.

### F. H. A.

During the month of January, F. H. A. members discussed degrees and planned for future banquets.

### 4-H

4-H members have been giving demonstrations in their field of interest at the meetings. Also, Coach Harrison, from Mark Smith, gave a talk on Driver's Education.

### ATHLETIC

The planning for May Day, which they were hosting, were the topics of discussion at the Athletic Club's meeting.

### ART

Kitty Pertsch, a participant in the 1966 Governor's Honors Program in the art division, gave a talk. Members have worked decorating on note cards which they will sell to raise money.

*"It's Finger Licking Good"*

**Kentucky Fried Chicken**

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## Club News

### DRAMATICS

Dramatics Club members have divided into committees to help with the planning of the play, *The Mouse That Roamed*, which will be presented during the last week of February. The committees include Prop, Make-up, Publicity, Finance, and Costume.

### MUSIC

Y-Teens made final plans and chose sweethearts for their annual Sweetheart Ball which was held on February 11. The 1967 sweethearts are Carol Crowley and Paullette Davis.

### STUDENT COUNCIL

The Alma Mater, next year's Student Council officers, and the Inter-City Student Council talent rehearsal, which will be held February 24, were discussion topics at the meetings.

### BETA

At their meetings, Beta members have heard the bell choir from Mulberry Methodist Church and Professor Ed Eschmann talked on what teenagers need to know in order to succeed in college. Current money-raising project of the Beta Club is the sale of chocolate mints.

### RED CROSS

The club's January project was to make a scrapbook and send it overseas to a school in Burma. Claudette Williams was made chairman of the school publicity committee.

### F. T. A.

Mr. Jim Phillips, an administrator at Tift College, gave a talk on how a student could be financed while going through college.

### F. B. L. A.

The club has hosted two speakers, at its most recent meetings. Mrs. Alonzo Domingos from the employment office talked about the ways the office can find jobs for people. Mr. Wallace spoke about how a person should act when he is being interviewed.



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## Economic Effort Important, Contends Vietnam Expert

Why is the Vietnam war so widely misunderstood by the American public? Thomas E. Naughten, Assistant Director of the U.S. AID mission to Vietnam, says, "The lack of competent journalistic correspondents to the non-military area of the war accounts for the misinformation which the American people receive about the total U.S. effort in Vietnam."

Naughten made this statement to the Frances Brubaker's sixth period economics class on January 25. Here in Macon as a member of a team of U.S. State Department experts who spoke to Bibb County high school students and took part in a public panel discussion at the City Council Chambers, Naughten talked on the subject of "U.S. Stake in Asian Socio-economic Stability."

He also said that "the U.S. is not the only nation which has a stake in the Vietnam situation. Over forty countries of the free world contribute money, technological and economic assistance, and fighting men."

Other members of the team include David H. McKillop, head of the Western European affairs office; Frederick W. Flott, from the bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs; and Frederick P. Pickard, United Nations expert. Each of these Washington officials lectured at a Macon high school in addition to being a member of the panel at the public forum held on the night of January 25.

Naughten augmented his statements about the misunderstanding of the Vietnam war when he said at the public forum, "The editorial policies of U.S. newspapers disregard the second war — the war to rehabilitate the Vietnamese people. They are interested only in such dramatic things as the Casualty list and partial stories of the bombings. This causes an imbalance in the system of reporting, but the attitude is slowly changing. This is one of the major reasons for this tour of the country that I am making —

to help inform the public of the truth."

"The doctrine of Red China is to encourage the continuance of the Vietnam struggle," said Flott at the forum.



Thomas E. Naughten

Naughten has served with the Department of Justice, as Director of the U.S. AID mission to Thailand and Deputy Director of the U.S. AID Mission to India. Naughten is the recipient of the AID Meritorious Service Award and was honored with the Medal of Merit, first class of the government of Vietnam.

Most students who attended the class and forum said that the speakers gave them new insight into the world situations.



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# Annual Spirit Week Sparks Class Loyalty

Lasseter High School's second annual spirit week began February sixth with singing and shouting of mottos. During the next five days, menus were planned by the student body and posters depicting the mascots, mottos, and songs of the different classes were displayed throughout the school.

On Monday, which was Junior Day, the halls echoed with choruses praising the class of '68 and shouts of their "dynamic" motto.

Tuesday began with enthusiasm from Lasseter's first graduating class, and class colors, navy and gray, were seen throughout the halls. During assembly, sub-freshmen, sophomores, and seniors presented their skits. The story of the sub-freshman play includes scenes of a girl who has no spirit, and is visited by three leprechauns.

Sophomora action was represented by a scene situated in the "Garden of Eden," and was concerned with trying to make the lone wallflower capture sophomore spirit. The Senior skit was directed to all lower classmen. It informed the underclassmen of what is to come when they are seniors.

Freshman Day, Wednesday, included dark and light blue beanie and their class song sung to the tune of "Downtown."

Thursday belonged to the sophomores who, having had their spirit aroused by their skit given Tuesday, were full of pep and go. Juniors and freshmen presented their skits on this day. "Snoopy and the Bad Baron" was the theme for the Junior play and Linus, Lucy, and the rest of the Peanuts gang gave their philosophies on Lasseter, and juniors. Freshmen class spirit was displayed in their skit about a little girl who was taken to "Freshmen Heaven."

Spirit week concluded with sub-freshmen day on Friday.

## Lasseter Beta Club Stages Career Day

To emphasize the importance of the students' goals in life, Beta Club sponsored Career Day at Lasseter.

The program began with an assembly in which Mr. Neil Gunter from the State Department of Education gave a speech about the importance of education. He stressed the fact that it is important in our day to have a skill to be able to put to use.

The program continued fifth and sixth periods, and students had a choice of attending a variety of programs with representatives from each field. They ranged from careers in the Army and Navy to social work and from nursing to floral designing.

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NEW STUDENTS AT LASSETER (l to r) Marilyn Crawford, Janice Dix, and Vivian Horne.

## New Students Arrive With Year '67 At Lasseter High

Day by day, Lasseter High is gaining momentum, sweeping along its students and faculty with its fast pace of activities and accomplishments. The student body which makes up this school's backbone, is growing larger every year, as the new students who have been arriving in the last month prove.

New in Lasseter's sophomore class are Karen Osburn and Linda Jones. Karen, who resides at Kevin Drive in Shurlington, has come to Lasseter from Seneca, South Carolina, where she attended Seneca High, a co-educational school.

Among her hobbies are skin diving, driving race cars, horseback riding, and playing the saxophone. Karen claims, "I like an all girl school because I can concentrate more on my studies. It's really an experience and quite a change."

Living at 1455 Briarcliff Road with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George D. Jones, is Linda Jones, who states, "I like Lasseter because you can learn more. The only thing I dislike is the fact that we don't go outside for a break between classes. But I like Macon tremendously and have enjoyed visiting her family."

Linda and her family moved from Dalton, Georgia, where she was a member of the pep club at Dalton High. Her favorite pastimes include kitting, sewing, and playing golf. She also enjoys playing with her pets, two poodles and a dachshund.

Returning to Lasseter from Atlanta, Georgia, where she was a pupil at Cross Keys High, is Janice Dix, who makes her home at 1942 Dirk Drive in Shurlington.

In her leisure time, she enjoys sports of all types and reading. Janice contributes to school activities by being an active member in the Beta Club and serving on the annual staff. She enjoys sports of all types and reading. Janice contributes to school activities by being an active member in the Beta Club and serving on the annual staff.

Marilyn Crawford, transferring from Fitzgerald High in Fitzgerald,

Georgia, is a junior at Lasseter. Previously, she was a member of dramatics club and the Theatians, an honorary acting club in Fitzgerald. While living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Crawford, at 1852 Wood Valley Drive, she enjoys her hobbies of twirling, playing the organ, and swimming.

Moving from Chickasaw, Alabama, is freshman Vivian Horne, who now resides at 3345 Club Drive in Lake Arrowhead. Before living in Chickasaw, Alabama, Vivian attended Miller Jr. High here in Macon. She comments, "I like the way we have more privileges. The teachers are all friendly and helpful. The school is really modern, I especially love the library." Included in Vivian's activities outside of school are stamp collecting, horseback riding, and skiing.

## L.H.S. Parents Club To Meet February 21

The Parent's Club of Lasseter will meet on February twenty-first at eight o'clock in the school cafeteria.

Mr. James A. Berg, who is the president, will preside. Tentative plans are to hold a brief business meeting and then split into the following groups.

The parents whose children are in the eighth and ninth grades will form one group. This group will discuss courses of study for the next school year.

Parents whose children are in senior high (tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grades) will form the other group. College, college costs, admission, and college board examinations will be discussed.

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## Scholarships Available To Macon Seniors

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The Morning Music Club offers a one hundred dollar scholarship to a senior who plans to major in music. An application must be submitted before February 25 and students must audition on March 25.

Three hundred scholarships in any field of study are awarded each year by General Motors Corporation to students with outstanding academic and extra-curricular records. They are available at four Georgia schools and many out-of-state colleges and universities. Need is a factor in the amount of the grant, which varies from \$200 to \$2000 per year for four years.

Even a B student has a good chance for a scholarship awarded each year to a Macon girl by a local club. The money may be used for any type of further schooling. For students that are planning to teach and have A or B averages, the State Department will finance an education at any school in Georgia. Applications are considered in the order in which they are received.

## Future Teachers Honor Faculty With Party

"Since you are our Valentines This time of year, We are giving a party And we want you here. February 3—that's the date. Activity Schedule—let's be late. Room 104—that's where it will be."

We are going to have fun—so come and see."

So reads the invitation from the Future Teachers of America asking the Lasseter faculty to a party in their honor. The poem, written by Dianne Wood, was printed on the inside of red heart-shaped invitations made by the F. T. A. members.

The Valentine's Party was the second annual "Teacher Appreciation" party given by the F.T.A. Its valentine's theme was carried out in the table cloth, plates, and napkins.

The teachers were served refreshments at the party, which was held during activity period. Individual members furnished the cookies and candy, while the coconuts were paid for from F.T.A. funds.

Sally Goodman, president of the Future Teachers said of the party, "I think it was a big success. Giving a party for the teachers was the least F.T.A. could do to show its appreciation."

The party was given under the supervision of Miss June Emmett and Miss Sandra Young, F.T.A. advisors.

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Since it's the time for extending Valetines, here's an unwittingly personalized one from CBS: a pilot series is being developed which is entitled "Lasseter." The proposed show will involve the adventures of a magazine writer. Overlooking the discrepancy in spelling, Lasseter could become nationally famous.

#### February Viewing

Other belated, but just as lacy, valetines include:

February 19 presents to attentive sports fans the National Indoor Tennis Championships on CBS Sports Spectacular.

— Andy Griffith hosts an hour long special February 21 which is logically titled "Andy's Hour." Others helping to make the time fly are Don Knotts, Ernie Ford, and the Back Porch Majority.

— A biography in music is in store on the February 23 Young People's Concert. The subject: Charles Ives.

— One show which promises wide variety is "The Song Makers," which will explore 20th Century song writers. ABC airs it February 24.

— Figures (that is, as in Skating) will be featured on CBS Sports Spectacular February 26. The occasion is the North American Figure Skating Championships.

#### March Viewing

— ABC Stage 67 presents "Rodgers and Hart Today" on Friday, March 2.

— A very special Special should be on your list. Produced by Canadian women, CBS' "Special on Vietnam" examines the war from the viewpoint of the social and economic effects of the United States' presence.

— Since biographies of musicians seem to be in vogue, like the previously mentioned ones of Ives and Rodgers and Hart, Bell Telephone Hour contributes its "Toscanini: the Maestro Revisited" on Sunday, March 12.

— George Hamilton hosts the Junior Miss Pageant Saturday, March 18, on NBC.

— You need not come armed to view "Annie Get Your Gun" through your bullet proof (no doubt) screen. Merely tune in to NBC on March 19.

— "Our Time in Hell" documents the Marines in World War II. Lee Marvin narrates this educational Special on March 21, ABC.

— Miss Teenage International will be crowned March 25 on ABC. See how close your guess can come.

— On Easter Sunday Art Carney, Jim Backus, and Nancy Ames appear on CBS' "Marineland Carnival."



MARK SMITH CLASS PRESIDENTS are (l. to r.) Thomas Edwards, senior class; Billy Kilgore, junior class; Pete Peterman, sophomore class; Mike Kitchens, freshman class; and Tommy Small, sub-freshman class.

## Mark Smith Class Presidents Represent Sweetheart School

Our sweethearts have not been in our news recently - since the staff felt this was abhorable, we are going to spotlight five of the outstanding boys at Mark Smith, our sweetheart school.

Thomas Edwards, a senior superlative, is president of the senior class at Mark Smith. He lives with his parents at 3207 Jefferson Road. Although well-known throughout this region as a fullback, Thomas scores high academically too, being the secretary of Beta Club. Some of his interests other than football are running track, playing baseball, hunting, and fishing.

Billy Kilgore, whose main interest is sports, is president of the junior class. He was quarterback on the football team, plays guard on the basketball team, and hopes to play the same positions on the baseball team as he did last year, which are infield, outfield, and pitcher. Billy resides with his parents at 2044 Knightsbridge Road.

The president of the sophomore class is Pete Peterman. Pete is a first-string B team basketball player. He also played B team football and presently wrestles. Pete has maintained all A's since coming to Mark Smith.

The freshman class elected Mike Kitchens president of their class. He lives on Donnan Road. Mike's interests include playing football, basketball, and baseball for Mark Smith.

Last, but not least, is Tommy Small, president of the eighth grade. Tommy lives at 2054 Baywater Road with his parents. Tommy plays baseball and likes to fish and collect old coins.

## Lasseferies Reveal Most Romantic Gift

A box of chocolates or a dozen red roses are not the only romantic gifts that a girl may receive. Here's a list of oh-so-sentimental presents that Lasseter girls have cherished. It looks as though the boyfriends of some Lasseterites give very original gifts!

Half a pack of life savers — Kay Burr 303

Box of birthday candles — Sharon Smith 303

A phone call at 11:15 at night — Angela Smith 109

A dozen red roses — Toy Ann Porter 107

An orchid nose gay — Marilyn Crawford 303

Swamp root — Chary MacDavid 303

Alfred Hitchcock Horror Tales — Mary Ann Berg 303

Boquet of cat tails — Letty Carswell 107

"Pink of Me" rat fink — Sheila Southern 314

An engagement ring — Sandy Price 104

One red rose for every year we've been dating — Linda Anderson 104



Nosey Nellie

Dear Nosey

I just don't believe myself. For the first time I like a boy. I'm not very popular or cute, but I make all my clothes and would be a wonderful wife and mother. The boy, on the other hand, is very handsome, smart, friendly, popular and well, he's just everything. My friends tell me I should give up on him, but I'm so snowed— What should I do?

TEN FEET UNDER

Dear Ten feet under

I'd invest in a snow shovel.



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## The Witch Bluff Portrait

It was summer when Daddy told us he was being transferred to Summer Cove. Things wouldn't be much different from the way they were now, he said, but instead of us spending just the summer at the beach, we'd live there all year.

I didn't care much for the idea at first, because I'd lived in Woodbury all my life and couldn't imagine life without it. But when we arrived in Summer Cove, on a hot, sticky August afternoon, and piled out of the car, I knew with the first smell of the sea that here was where I belonged.

Our house was located on a high bluff facing the ocean. It had been built in 1830 by a wealthy seaman, Captain David Maximilian. The house was called Witch Bluff House, and there were many intriguing legends about it. A few of the original furnishings had been left in the house, including a portrait of Maximilian's wife, Shawnet, which hung over the fireplace in the library.

There was something strange about that portrait. Daddy said it looked like me, and I guess it did a little. But Shawnet's eyes had a searching look that mine didn't have; in fact, they seemed to be examining everything in the library.

The legend about Shawnet was short and simple. She had come from a very wealthy family in Boston. David Maximilian had been poor at the time of their marriage, and Shawnet's family had disapproved of him.

A year after their wedding, David had gained command of his own clipper, the Sea Witch. Then he had built Witch Bluff House where he went to live with his bride. On one of his voyages with the Sea Witch, David had been delayed several months by a hurricane off the coast of Africa.

Shawnet watched for him from window's walk for one month, two months, three months. Then she was sure he must have been killed, and in her grief, she flung herself into the sea from the top of Witch Bluff. Her body was found washed ashore the next day. He buried David there. But Shawnet survived on a windswept hill by the sea, and less than a month later, he was buried there himself.

I could understand everything about Shawnet except her suicide. Looking at her strong young face in her portrait, I just couldn't imagine her doing such a thing.

The third day after we moved in, I was swimming down at the stretch of sandy beach just below the bluff with my brothers, Skip and Mark.

As Skip and I were helping Mark build a castle in the sand, a

snowy sea gull swooped down from its nest on the face of the bluff. All three of us gasped as the gull hopped right up to us, held a shiny silver object in its mouth. Mark moved suddenly and the gull dropped its treasure and flew away.

Skip picked up the object. It was a beautiful silver ring with a small amethyst stone. He handed it to me. I looked at it and wonder, for I had seen that color of lavender before. It was the same color as Shawnet's eyes in the portrait. And it seemed only natural to me—on the inside of the ring were initials S. F. M. — Shawnet Faith Maximilian.

(Read Part II of this exciting serial in the next issue of the Lantern.)

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## Ancient People Concoct Potions To Inspire Love

Not only twentieth-century people desire the love of others. Throughout all history, men and women everywhere have sought ways to gain the love of someone longed for, or to sustain a love already won. The romantically preoccupied may rely on a heart-shaped box of chocolates; lovers in bygone days often turned to bizarre concoctions of "love" potions.

### Love Potions

Love potions ranked high on the all time popularity list. Wine was undoubtedly a principal ingredient and could make the recipient literally "drunk with love." Judging by Greek tales of madness and death attributed to love potions, many probably included marijuana, and preparations of crushed beetles, which causes agonizing death when more than a small dose is taken.

French potions of the fourteenth century contained such "delicacies" as arsenic, mercury, dried toads, lizards, rat tails, spiders, and the hair of a hanged criminal.

A standard love brew of sixteenth-century Europe included hemlock, the sedative aconite, toad venom, the boiled flesh of a thief, green frog skins, and, last but not least, grave-dust.

The Delaware Indians came up with a twist in love potions: the lover himself drank the potion. It made him irresistible.

### Love Powders and Foods

Also in wide use were love powders. In Japan the lover burned small salamanders and divided the ashes into two potions; one potion he carried on himself, the other was sprinkled on the girl's hair.

At the turn of the twentieth century, Italian girls prepared a powder by drying in the sun a lizard which had been drowned in wine, then tossed the powder at the resisting young man.

In addition to potions and powders, various love foods have found favor. The apple has a long history as a symbol of love. The Greek goddess of love, Aphrodite, was awarded an apple as the winner of the first Miss Universe contest.

The tomato when introduced into Europe was called the "love apple". This may help explain why tomatoes were so popular in puritanical America until the nineteenth century.

### Love Charms

Also in vogue were love charms. Quite a few of the customs connected with weddings originated as love charms. Notable examples are the bride's bouquet that single girls scramble for, and the bride's garter that bachelors at the wedding strive to win.

In nineteenth century France, there was a prevalent custom of using a bride's garter as a love charm. At the close of the wedding dinner, the youngest male guest was given one of the bride's garters. This was believed to ensure its owner success in love.

Another honored love charm is the rose. According to tradition, an English girl picks a rose on Midsummer Day (June 24) and saves it to wear to church on Christmas Day, when her future husband should step forward and pluck it from her.

But when all is said and done, true love needs no outside help. An anonymous lover puts it this way:

"Twas the maiden's matchless beauty  
That drew my heart a-nigh;  
Not the fern-root potion,  
But the glance of her blue eye."

Dorinda Gilmore



## John Michael Talks Of Love

Love is sharing your cheese with someone else.

Love is walking paw in paw.

Love is reading Romeo and Juliet with Rosie Rodent.

Love is using an extra bit of polish on your whiskers.

Love is taking Rosie Rodent to the soda shop.

Love is singing a serenade under your girl-mouse's window.

Love is not eating much.

Love is taking Rosie Rodent to the Sunday school picnic.

Love is taking a basket of goodies to the churchmouse.

Love is not looking where you're going.

Love is writing love-letters.

Love is giving presents, for no reason at all.

Love is seeing the whole world as if you were looking at it for the first time.

Love is letting someone else wear your bulldog button.

Love is wishing you were inside when you're outside and outside when you're inside.

P. S. The Mouse That Roared is not John Michael. That mouse was Miss clamans; I am musculus. Please, don't get us mixed up!

## Lunchroom Schedule Changes; Iced Tea Is Added To Menu

In answer to the pleas of many students, Miss Ann Henry has changed the lunchroom schedule, and Mrs. Minnie Mitchell has added tea to the menu!

Both of these new procedures have been adopted to make meals more enjoyable for the students. In the new schedule the girls can sit anywhere in the lunchroom that they wish and also can leave the lunchroom whenever they want instead of having to wait for the teachers. Miss Henry urged the girls to use their new privilege as responsible school citizens.

Mrs. Mitchell said that the serving of tea also carries with it a new responsibility for the students. Many girls do not understand that to buy tea, a student must buy her lunch. This regulation is given to the lunchroom

## Focus On Sports Interests Kilgore, Mr. Mark Smith

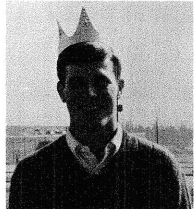
What is our new Mr. Mark Smith really like? Although Billy Kilgore enjoys the academic side of school and realizes its importance, his main interest centers around the field of sports. One will find him an active participant in football, basketball, and baseball, but those who know Billy best say that baseball is his favorite. He has pitched for school teams as well as for summer recreational groups, and he is qualified to play almost any position.

Billy's summer activities also included fishing, and he hopes to put all his sporting interests into practice this summer by working in a sporting goods store.

Although his future is still in the planning stages, Billy is considering attending Clemson University, where he would like to continue his sports. He also expressed an interest in a baseball or business career.

Billy claims that he enjoys Mark Smith and the programs that it offers. "Boys seem to have a good chance in everything but especially in sports," replied Billy when asked what he thought was exceptional about his school.

Billy stated enthusiastically that he thought the Mr. Mark Smith contest was fun, although he became slightly embarrassed and scared when he was asked his two questions. He was particularly amused with the campaign tune sung by Susan Stevens, Marilu Pittman, and Kitty Persch. Most of all, though, Billy felt honored



Billy Kilgore, the first Mr. Mark Smith

at being chosen Mr. Mark Smith and becoming another first for Mark Smith and Lasseter.

## Fads and Fancies

## Pant Suits Enter Fashion World

Pant-Suits made their grand entrance into the Fashion World this fall and it appears they will be big in late winter and early spring. Most popular with teenagers and young adults these suits come in a wide range of fabrics and styles. By day cotton, suede, wool, and corduroy suits make their way to the supermarket, a casual lunch, or a cook-out.

When darkness comes they go to the opera or a gala party, in such fabrics as silk, crepe, brocade, or velvet.

The Paris Fashion Houses have introduced a variation in the style. Replacing the tailored jacket is a knee-length tunic, topping tapered pants.

Many of our readers have asked what will be big in bathing suits this season. Of course, it will be two-piece. Little-boy leighs, bright florals, blouson tops, and blue-jean materials are important features to look for in selecting ones suit.

Beach cover-ups are hooded, and either match the suit or create a distinct contrast. Every fabric imaginable from terry-cloth to organza will be seen.

After a swim who not cover wet hair with a king-sized sun hat? This will not only make one look better but will protect the hair from the damaging rays of the sun. Pop on a pair of over-sized sunglasses and enjoy the summer sun.

Linda Anderson

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manager by the government. All lunchrooms that are on the Commodity Plan, as ours is, are given food and money by the government, provided they comply with these regulations.

If a government inspector were to walk into the lunchroom and see girls who hadn't bought their lunches eating ice cream and drinking tea, they would then cease the funds which now make our school lunches so reasonably priced. Students would then have to pay full price for their meals.

Mrs. Mitchell added, "We don't want to be too strict on the girls, but in order to keep the lunches at this reasonable price, we must enforce the regulations."

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## Valentine Lament

I've waited all day for valentines—  
Just one—it could even be small.  
But no one has sent me a valentine;  
I didn't get any at all.

I've dreamed all week of a knock  
at the door  
And flowers left there for me.  
And, yes, a knock did come once:  
It was only the plumber, you see.

I've never really asked for much.  
And a valentine isn't expensive.  
I guess you can tell by the state  
I'm in,  
My list of boyfriends isn't extensive.

I even wished on the evening star  
For a valentine or some candy.  
Or just one rose in a pretty vase  
From a Dick or Charlie or Randy.

I've always tried to be nice to  
boys  
When I meet them in the hall.  
But I guess they think I talk too  
much  
To be given a Valentine's call.

So I'm sitting here waiting for valentines—  
Just one—it could even be small.  
I've been waiting all day for valentines,  
But I didn't get any at all!

Licia Drinnon



## Platter Chatter

Lasseter cool-cats are the gals who love the hep tunes. Here's a roster of their pick oldie-goldie slow discs.

**Jackie Waters** — Muddy Water  
**Rhonda Ingram** — My Girl  
**Susie Koplan** — Tell it to the Rain  
**Berilyn Harris** — Diana  
**Wanda Gloss** — Tell it like it is  
**Nova Sue Bruss** — I've Been Loving You too Long  
**Margaret Stallings** — Let's Get Lost on a Country Road  
**Becky Foshee** — California Nights  
**Judy Dorsatt** — Try a Little Tenderness  
**Ouida Williams** — Why Not Tonight  
**Linda Anderson** — I've Passed This Way Before  
**Betsy Etheridge** — Standing in the Shadows of Love  
**Margaret Fruttficher** — Wish You Didn't Have to Go  
**Kate Pendleton** — Locking Up My Heart  
**Margaret Pendleton** — God Only Knows  
**Claire Eschmann** — Wouldn't it be Nice  
**Vickie Trawick** — Big John  
**Marilu Pittman** — Stay

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**BUDDING SCIENTISTS** Vickie Nelson and Berilyn Harris are supervised by Mrs. Phillips in their Chemistry experiment.

## Chemistry Students Tackle Hazardous Lab Experiments

"Girls, DON'T put a match in the hydrogen you collect!" "Why not?" BRANSMCH! Because (need we explain?) it will explode. This is a prime example of the experiments conducted by Lasseterites in the chemistry lab, being used for the first time this year. Of course, at times this kind of education does tend to be a little rough on the nerves, but you DO remember what you learn!

Actually, this is one of the few occasions the outside world is aware of the dramatic happenings taking place in 310. Except, of course, the day when two classes mass-produced hydrogen sulfide and trapped the whole school within the not-so-delicate shell of a rotten egg.

Somehow odors emitted by accidental disasters in the home economics lab are more easily tolerated than those intentionally produced by dozens of amateur scientists safely sheathed in plastic aprons twice the length of a miniskirt.

Fortunately, their work (or mischief?) is achieved in pairs. This provides the convenient scapegoat of pinning the failure of the experiment on one's lab partner, and vice versa.

Lab partners also come in handy on those three-hand situations when you've only got two. And who but a lab partner could lend moral support when you can't distinguish a retort from an Erlenmeyer flask, or a test tube clamp from tongs?

After a few months in the lab, a crucible slowly becomes a common item, not a vessel for witches' potions, and Bunsen burners are no longer flame-breathing dragons.

But there are still more terrifying pieces of equipment in the lab that students must accustom themselves to. Next time the weird noises and odd odors seem to be centered around the chemistry lab: BEWARE! for you'll know we've tackled the Buschner funnels, colorimeter, and centrifuge!

Claire Eschmann  
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## College Spot

### Stetson Recieves Grant From Ford Foundation

Stetson University, located in Doland, Florida, was awarded a one and half million dollar Ford Foundation Challenge Grant in June of 1963. It was the only southern institution to receive such a grant and was one of thirteen colleges throughout the nation.

The university is comprised of four major colleges, the oldest and largest of which is the College of Liberal Arts. This offers courses leading to degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science, and to Master degrees in these subjects.

The School of Music offers training for the music professions, directors of music and church organists. Courses are open to all students, not just music majors.

In St. Petersburg, Stetson offers a unique Law School system. Here students are trained according to the English system with an apprenticeship relationship with practicing lawyers.

The newest of the schools is Business Administration. This offers courses for use in professional work or graduate studies.

For admission to Stetson applicants must be secondary school graduates, and have at least thirteen college preparatory courses. Required courses for admission include a minimum of three years of English, Algebra I and at least seven other academic courses. The Admission Committee also gives careful consideration to personality, character, health, and promise of leadership.

In order that students may make a smooth transition to campus life, first year students begin an orientation program before registration in the fall. This continues throughout the first semester and acquaints freshmen with administrative officers, faculty members, and students.

Several unique programs for advanced study are included in the curriculum. Among these are summer programs, advanced placement, and an honors program. These are designed to provide a distinctive approach to general education.

In addition to these programs, Stetson, in cooperation with Associated Mid-Florida Colleges, offers students an opportunity for an academic year spent in Europe.

Students participating may gain thirty credit hours studying in Germany, Spain, or France.

Social life on campus includes many school sponsored clubs, six national sororities and six fraternities.

The purpose of Stetson is to be as its founders meant it to be, a Christian community of students and teachers.

Claire Eschmann

## Gone With The Wind Wins Popularity Poll

By Diane Wood

If the most popular girl at Lasseter were to be selected, Scarlett O'Hara would be the choice. For *Gone With The Wind*, by Margaret Mitchell, ranked number one in a poll of Lasseterites' favorite books. Out of a total of 498 opinions taken, the *Lantern* staff found that 13% of Lasseter student's favored *Gone With The Wind*.

Other novels receiving a large number of votes are: *Joy in the Morning* by Betty Smith, with 8%; *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee, with 7%; and *Rebecca* by Daphne du Maurier, having 4% of the votes.

Louisa May Alcott's *Little Women* and *Mrs. Mike* by Benedict and Nancy Freedman are the favorite books of 2% of the Lasseter population. *Desire* by Annemarie Selinko and *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Bronte each received 1% of the votes.

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## Bulldog Corner

There has been some competition between supervisors over here at Mark Smith. In the morning before school begins, two designated supervisors play each other in a game of basketball. The winners of these games then play each other until there is a champion.

Several anonymous phone calls have been received at Mark Smith and Lasseter recently stating that there are bombs in the schools. The calls are usually received around nine o'clock, when everyone is in supervision. This puts the school on activity schedule for the first half of school. A severe attempt is being made to apprehend the culprit. Although none of the bombs have been found, everyone is cleared from the schools when the call is received.

Finally, the senior class has taken one step towards graduation. Orders have been taken for graduation announcements and cards. Mr. Morgan also measured everyone for cap and gowns. The big day is not so far off.

(Exchange column from the Mark Smith Telstar)

## Becky Cowan Wins 40 Bowling Trophies

Becky Cowan, a freshman, has won forty trophies so far for her outstanding bowling record. She is now competing in the City Tournament which includes bowlers from Macon and Warner Robins.

She has already won a trophy in this competition for her ability in single events and has a chance to win more before the tournament closes.

Becky's uncle got her started in the sport five years ago at Warner Robins Air Force Base. She now bowls each Saturday morning in a league called "The Majors" and carries an average of 156. After her league has finished bowling, Becky changes from team member to junior coach and helps with younger leagues.

Becky's list of trophies includes League Championships, High Series, and High Games. She has been commended for her high average and her performance in single events.

## Miller And Stratford Win; Lasseter Makes Semi-Finals

The shrill sound of the whistle and the sight of a volleyball sailing over the net officially started Macon's second annual Playday, on Saturday, January 21. This city-wide volleyball championship was sponsored by the Lasseter Athletic Association.

Six Macon high schools entered two girls' teams apiece in this event, which was held in the Lasseter gymnasium. The participating schools were Dudley Hughes, Miller, McEvoy, Mt De Sales, and Stratford.

Both Lasseter teams made it to the semi-finalist stage. Lasseter I team, led by Teresa Adams as captain, was defeated by Miller

I team, which won two out of three with Lasseter. Stratford II team defeated Lasseter II team, which was led by Fran Grant.

Teresa Adams and Jackie Ponder were the high-scoring players on the Lasseter I team, with 19 points apiece. High-scorer of the Lasseter II team was Cathy Miles, who accounted for 20 points. Miller I and Stratford II then confronted each other for championship title. Miller won over Stratford two games in a row, with a score of 15-4 both times.

Following this final game, Teresa Adams, the president of the Lasseter Athletic Association, gave a short talk. She said, "Although this day has given the participating schools a chance to compete with each other, the main goal of Playday is to encourage the schools to know each other better and to increase the bond of friendship between them."

Then Teresa presented Miller's captain, Debby Barlow, with the Championship Trophy. Ann Burns, captain of the Stratford team, received a plaque for heading the second-place team.

Lasseter Athletic Association members sold refreshments to the participating teams during the Playday tournament.

The referees officiating for the games were Flo Williams, Mary Deaton, Maggie Bonar, and Dee Thompson. All of these girls are students majoring in physical education at Wesleyan College.



WINNING VOLLEYBALL TEAM, Mr. Etheredged's 309, includes ninth-grades Frankie Crooms, Paula Colven, Jan Jackson, Joyce May, Carolyn Hobbs, Patsy Bostick, Beverly Young, Mary Sue May, Melody Abney, and Marska Sailors.

## Freshman Smash Seniors In Volleyball Tourney

The volleyball tournament came to a surprising victory with the ninth graders defeating the seniors from supervision 310 in a deciding game of 15-8. Not only is this the first team to defeat the seniors, but they are the first to receive the new volleyball trophy. This trophy, presented by Athletic Club, will be given to each winning supervision in the future.

Holding the championship is supervision 309, Captain for the victorious team was Marsha Sailors with Melody Abney as co-captain. Players include Melody Abney, Linda Sue Barnes, Patsy Bostick, Frankie Crooms, Carolyn Hobbs, Jan Jackson, Joyce May, Mary Sue May, Marsha Sailors, Gloristine Sessions, and Beverly Young.

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