

## WHITE FIRST

# Math Scores Announced

Curtis White and Bill Lindow received the top scores in Ashland High School on the National High School Mathematics Examination, according to Mr. Robert Day, math instructor.

In the test, which was given on March 7, the two senior boys scored the highest out of a total of 155 students who were given the test. On the basis of their high scores, both Bill and Curtis will now be entered in the national mathematics contest.

### First Place

Curtis, because of his first place local rating, will also receive a national math pin. The gift will be presented by the National Society of Actuaries who are the sponsors of the test.

The national math test is given annually to high school students from throughout the United States. Its scoring is done on the basis of docking the students who guess at the answers. The questions range from the least difficult, which are worth three points each, to the most

difficult, which are worth five points for each correct answer.

### Scoring

After the student's total points for correct answers are added, points are subtracted for those questions which were answered incorrectly. Thus, some

students receive a negative score on the difficult, 50-question exam.

Not all students enrolled in AHS math classes took part in the test. However, those who took the test were chosen from their Algebra I, Algebra II, geometry, trigonometry, and calculus classes. All of the questions on the test were taken from the ideas which are part of the curriculum of those classes.

### Test Problems

Some of the problems included on the examination did, however, require more complex processes than have been studied in the classes. The majority of the questions required the application of theories which had been studied.

Teachers in the AHS Math Department stated that the results of the examination point up the fact that students never stop learning mathematical principles. They also said that the over-all results of the test were fairly low.

## ALL SCHOOL SHOW SCHEDULED FOR MAY

The all-school show will be held Friday afternoon, May 26, in the gymnasium.

This year's school show will be a talent show given by various interested students who have a special talent in any field. The show will be presented to the students of Ashland High School but the public will be welcome to attend.

Those interested students should listen for further announcements or ask their student council representative.

## STATE CONVENTIONS

# IRC, Thespians To Attend Meetings

State conferences for members of the Thespians club and the International Relations League will be attended by Ashland High School representatives.

This morning ten members of Ashland's Thespian troupe left for Lake Oswego to attend the Oregon State Thespian Conference. The participants in the convention are: Susan Beecher, Bev Brackman, Kent Brostad, Francine Conner, Jan Gray, Chris Houghton, Carol Markham, Marilyn Miller, Marilyn Thomas, and Dave Work.

Susan Beecher and Dave Work are planning to present a scene from the play *A Marriage Proposal*, which was recently pre-

sented at Ashland High. The requirements for the skit in the convention competition include a time limit of five to eight minutes.

### Competition

Other competition in the field of acting includes men's and women's singles skits, men's and women's doubles in skits. The field also include pantomime in both singles and doubles for men and women.

The conference will include a make-up workshop and four members of the Ashland troupe will participate. They are Bev Brackman, Francine Conner, Marilyn Miller, and Marilyn Thomas.

Each of the participants will

take part in some competition or the workshop. Mr. and Mrs. Marlan Shanks will provide transportation and will act as chaperones.

### IRC Plans

Plans are being tentatively set up by the International Relations Club to attend the State Conference April 7 and 8. Newly-formed, IRC is hoping to send eight delegates — each familiar with one of the eight sub-topics chosen by the state International Relations League. This year the statewide topic is the United Nations. The sub-topics include: Viet Nam, population growth and food shortages around the world, Arab-Israeli dispute, effectiveness of UN

policy and procedure, and discrimination as it presents itself around the world.

The conference, to be held in Eugene, attracts many clubs throughout the state. Featured speaker will be former Congressman Robert Duncan. His speech is entitled, "The American People and the United Nations."

### AFS Reception

Lilette Tumbagahan, AFS foreign student from the Philippines and IRC member, will attend the conference with the delegates as a guest of the club. Foreign students from throughout the state have been invited to a special reception held Friday night.



**GOOD DRIVERS** who finished in the top eight local car rally are: Row one (l. to r.) Charles Petty and Raymond Kerby. Row two (l. to r.) Nancy James, Jan Gray, Nancy Phillips, Barbara Hormel, Linda Zarka, John Matteson, Clint Smith, Armond Leigh, and James Kreisman. Row three (l. to r.) Judy Jameson, Olin Ford, and Jodi Tyler.

# Twenty-four Run In City Car Rally

Twenty-four cars participated in the car rally last April 2 sponsored by the Student Council and the Jackson County Youth Council.

The car rally started at Ashland High School and ended at Mayfair Market in Ashland.

Each car was supposed to have a driver and a navigator. A series of clues telling the competitors when and where to turn were given to each car. Each car was also given a panic slip in case they got lost. Once the seal was broken the car was automatically disqualified. There were checkpoints along the way to check on the car's time and mileage.

### Judging

Winners were judged on their accuracy, closeness to a prescribed time, and ability to answer questions.

Winners were: first car—Linda Zarka, driver, and Nancy Phillips, navigator; second, Olin Ford and John Matteson; third, Clint Smith and Armond Leigh; fourth, Jodi Tyler and Judy Jameson; fifth, Charles Petty and Jan Gray; sixth, Barbara Hormel and Nancy James; seventh, James Kreisman and Kay Ferreira; eighth, Scott Johnson and Raymond Kerby.

These eight cars will represent Ashland in the Jackson County Car Rally on April 9 which is sponsored by the Jackson County Youth Council.

First three cars in the county rally will receive a trophy each and the top school will receive a large trophy.

# Symposium: Students Speak Out

by Julie Cox

Two weeks ago, more than 700 Jackson County high school students, educators, and businessmen participated in an ethics symposium on the Southern Oregon College campus.

The conference, sponsored by the school districts, the State Department of Education, and the Jackson County Intermediate Education district, was entitled "Ethics Today: A Symposium of Ethics in Modern Life." Its purpose was to give the educational community experiences in approaches to teaching ethics and to expand the use of community resources to provide some ethical direction for young adults.

The two-day conference aroused much interest and comment from both students and adults. After distributing questionnaires to students concerning various parts of the conference, the following conclusions have been reached concerning attitudes of Ashland High School seniors who attended.

Generally, students mentioned that the symposium did much to stimulate their thinking in new areas. After attending the conference, Scott Weaver said that a "need for self-evaluation became evident."

Mike Knapp was one of the students who felt that the conference failed to accomplish anything.

His feeling was that the symposium merely gave him a chance to re-evaluate his own code of ethics.

The speaker rated by students as the most interesting and informative was Dr. Dan Rhoades from Denver, Colorado's Hill School of Theology. He presented the keynote address, entitled "Ethics in Modern Life," and contributed to the afternoon panel discussion.

In his speech, Dr. Rhoades presented students with three challenges designed to help them benefit from the symposium. These challenges were first, that man must no longer allow others to make his decisions for him; second, that reasoning is needed for one to develop an adequate basis for understanding; and third, that attitudes of today's civilization are formed around the structure they've developed in.

In his speech, entitled "Ethics and Race Relations," Mr. H. J. Hamilton, Chief Counsel of the Oregon State Bureau of Labor, stated that the United States is a "country based on racism." Hamilton declared that this attitude is taught to students all their lives.

Students rated Mr. Hamilton's speech second in interest to Dr. Rhoades.

A panel entitled "Sexual Morality" under the

leadership of moderator Dr. Arthur Kreisman was the most controversial session.

Participants included Mr. Hamilton, Dr. Rhoades, Dr. Betty Lou Dunlop, Dr. Frederick Trost, and Reverend Charles McDonald.

Students rated Dr. Rhoades and Mr. Hamilton's contributions as both stimulating and interesting, although some said that they tended to stray from the topic. Dr. Trost's and Dr. Dunlop's speeches were credited with having several good points. Student opinions concerning Rev. McDonald's presentation were varied.

Tuesday's program concluded with a lecture by folklore expert Dr. Barre Toelken. Only 25 AHS seniors attended the program. Of these, several found it enjoyable. However, half said that it did not contribute significantly to the symposium.

Mr. Robert B. Duncan, unsuccessful Democratic candidate for U.S. Senator in 1966, opened Wednesday's program with a talk on "Ethics in Government." In his speech, Mr. Duncan told many of his personal opinions regarding ethics in government.

Following Mr. Duncan's speech, the assembled students were dismissed to attend small discussion groups.