



by Larry Taylor

If you saw the Beatles' *Let It Be*, you might remember the black organist who plays on some of the cuts (including *Let It Be*). His name is Billy Preston, and he has two albums of his own out on the Apple label. They're mainly gospel stuff, and are entitled *That's The Way God Planned It* and *Encouraging Words*.

John Lennon's latest, *John Lennon/Plastic Ono Band*, is just that.

Joe Cocker's new album, *Mad Dogs and Englishmen*, is an excellent double album capturing his unique live style. Included is the "hit single," "The Letter."

This is the season for "Greatest Hits" albums. *Worst of the Jefferson Airplane* includes "Somebody to Love," "White Rabbit," and lots more. *The Doors* is thirteen of the Doors' best. "Light My Fire," "Hello, I Love You," "Wild Child," and ten other equally fantastic cuts are included.

The Archies' *Greatest Hits* contains, as *Rolling Stone* magazine put it, "twelve convincing arguments against the capitalist system."

Brownie Bits

AFS

In two weeks the American Field Service is planning to have a girl from France come to Ashland High School to speak to the French classes about her experiences in the United States and tell what life is like in France. The girl is an AFS student and she is staying with her American "family" in Phoenix.

Citizen's of the Nine Weeks

Sharon Silver and Rob Merriman were chosen as Citizen's of the Nine Weeks for their outstanding contributions to Ashland High School.

Flag Girls

The flag girls are busy making new outfits for the season. They are also trying to recruit new members into their club. If you are interested see Miss Keller.

Future Medical Careers

The Future Medical Careers Club is planning a trip to Portland April 16, 17 and 18th. Sixteen members plan on making this trip. They plan to visit a few hospitals in the Portland area and shop at Lloyd's Center and visit the Portland Zoo.

They are earning money by baking "goodies" and selling them at the gymnastic meets.

Rally Squad and Senior Class

An all school skating party was held January 25th at the Ashland Roller Skating Rink. This skating party was the first of its kind. The party brought an estimated 75 people.

The activity was organized by Diane Jensen and Billie Hays and was sponsored by the Rally Squad and the senior class. Another party is to be planned for the future.

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Dear Editor:

There is a lot happening that Ashland students don't know about. There is a group of Jackson County teenagers called the Jackson County Community Action Program's Youth Advisory Committee. They get together on Monday nights at 7:30 and rotate their meetings between Ashland, Forest Acres (Central Point), Rogue River and Medford.

They are trying to get a youth center going. The center will, hopefully, provide the following things: Draft Counseling, Job Referral, Medical Help (physical and mental), Legal Aid, Tutoring, Counseling, Family Counseling. Someone to talk to, help to get what is needed in your community, help for you to start a small business, and a place to be and become.

Any interested person can contact Vickie Alfonso at 779-0431, Wayne Richards at 779-5876 or me here at school. We will all be happy to give you more information or answer your questions.

Please help us, it will benefit you.

Thank you very much,
Sheri Hartley



As we gaze out of a 3rd floor Humanities Building window into the dense stuff outside commonly known as fog, we pause for a moment of silence in memory of the poor little creature who was hauled off because he was defending himself. Now, it wasn't his fault he ended up in the cafeteria. Although it is true that these ill' fellows have been trained to use a flush toilet (doesn't say much for people, does it?) It is hardly likely he picked a lock and climbed into the cafeteria. It was the innocent victim against the establishment and he lost. But he managed to raise a little "stink" before he left.

With the onslaught of fair weather and the start of the second semester, signs of "Spring Fever" are beginning to bloom. That old reliable invention called the frisbee has found its way onto the budding campus. One must be careful in crossing the mall after school, in fear of being struck by an unidentified flying object. (Whether it is a papercup or a frisbee.) But at least it is keeping some of the more mischievous students out of trouble. (What's that?)

Rob Merriman has followed in his big brother's footsteps by putting out *Seniority* for the enjoyment of the senior class. Rob finally has a big hit on his hands, much to the amusement of most concerned. He and his staff should be heartily saluted for it.

(In case you are wondering what KKK stands for, it's "Kacey & Kathy's Kolumn!")



Unwelcomed Visitor Fragrents AHS Halls

As I approached Ashland High School one early Tuesday morning I noticed some of my fellow students walking around with clothes pins on their noses. I thought this was rather odd, but considering the times I accepted it.

I proceeded on into the upstairs hall to go to my locker and then... IT hit me!!! My head suddenly became light with an extremely hideous aroma. I stopped in my tracks and analyzed this odor. After eliminating the smell of experiments done in the

chemistry classes, the cooking done in the home ec. room, and finally the over flowing of the upstairs bathroom, I realized that this grotesque smell had to be from some inhabitant of Ashland. My brain started clicking and it came up with the conclusion that this odor must be from one of those fuzzy, integrated animals more commonly known as a SKUNK!

Perhaps in an endeavor to further its education this little fellow came to bless the halls of A.H.S. Sure enough that's just what he did!!!!

Study Halls Are in Need Of Quick Change—Or Else!

by Kathy Nidever

The new study hall system has been in operation for six weeks now and the outlook is fair except for one thing: the amount of debris and litter that is being scattered about the cafeteria. It must be remembered that this system is on a probationary status and it could be right back to the old system if something is not done.

The teachers are not content with the system; especially when they are left "baby-sitting" a few students. Most felt that their classes were

not necessary. One teacher said, "They are not used and this demonstrates that study halls are not needed at all. They are a joke."

The majority of students, however, seem to enjoy the new freedom given them. An estimated 80% of the students go to the cafeteria; and this is where the debris problem arises.

Carelessness is no excuse for the administration; regardless of how it got there, the problem does exist. Action speaks louder than words, and there is little time for action left.

**The Funky
Thumb of
Fate
Award**

This month's Funky Thumb of Fate award goes to Rob Merriman and Co. for their brave attempt in the *Seniority* to crack the establishment of Ashland High School.

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