



Mr. Pete Forgey, assisted by senior Doug Curl, instructs young players in the game of basketball.

Forgey's basketball clinics focus on potential of young grade school players

By Brooke Crowston

Mr. Pete Forgey, WGS teacher and VHS Freshmen Basketball coach has started Saturday basketball clinics for fifth and sixth grade girls and boys to help them develop their skills.

Helping Mr. Forgey coach and organize the practices are several VHS varsity boys and girls. Their goals are to get the basics, such as dribbling and passing, thoroughly imprinted on the kids so that when they get to higher levels of

basketball competition, they will be prepared.

'I would like them to learn the necessary rules of play, also,' comments Mr. Forgey.

Practices are focused at the level of fifth and sixth graders with an emphasis on the girls. 'Most boys usually already have the skills of basketball by this grade level because they play frequently in their spare time,' says Forgey.

Deserted island found off Florida coast

By Tracy Wilkerson

Lila Harrison, a journalism student at VHS was excited to hear that an island has recently been discovered off the coast of Florida. She was quick in relaying the news, but soon discovered, to her dismay, that the island was merely a prop, devised by Mr. Steve Calhoun, VHS world geography teacher, to teach his students how to approach the use of an island that man has never touched.

Mr. Calhoun wants his students to realize and experience the different demands of ownership, and to be able to recognize all sides of the arguments.

Students were divided into the following groups, and instructed to formulate and present debate for their specific function.

- (1) Members of the National Food Council interested in clearing forests and planting wheat and corn to feed an expanding population.
- (2) Members of the National Lumbermans Association interested in using and preserving forest resources.
- (3) Industrialists interested in establishing a paper factory that would use wood pulp from the trees, but might also contaminate the streams.
- (4) Land developers interested in creating a large resort area near the coast.
- (5) Conservationists interested in preserving the natural ecosystem.
- (6) Engineers interested in building a

highway system over much of the area.

(7) Columnists writing coverage of all developments for newspapers.

(8) Legislators whose jobs are to draft a series of bills resolving the issues.

After formulating their arguments, each group selected a representative to present their view.

Larry Rider, a freshmen from the land developers (resort) group, argued that the world needs recreation, and that his group would protect the animals of the island and help stop air pollution.

Harrison/Mondoi engagement announced

Micheal David Harrison, a VHS graduate of 1980, announced his engagement to Corrie Ann Mondoi, of the Hawaiian Islands, on February 14, 1981.

Both are attending OSU and don't plan to marry until they complete their studies.

Chances for State playoffs berth still alive for varsity boys

January 27, Warrenton beat Vernonia 63-62, in overtime. January 30, Corbett beat Warrenton 68-57. February 6, Vernonia beat Corbett 64-62. And February 20, Warrenton again topped Vernonia, 71-50.

Coming into this week-end's playoffs, Vernonia is seeded second in the league, but their chances for coming out on top are still good.

'We appear to be in the position of our first State Title team of 1977: inexperienced, with a mixture of players not used to playing with one another,' replied Coach Gary Curtis.

Records no longer count when district tournaments are played. The district 1 berth may well be filled by Vernonia if the team can put three good games together.

'Developing consistency seems to be the team's number one priority. 'We probably have a good chance if we play as a unit,' stated Brien Weigand, senior member of the team.

Reinsch, Aacock, Coghill, Meyer, and Cavinee to vie for Olympic titles

Five Vernonia students are to participate in the seventh annual Basketball Run, Dribble and Shoot Tournament at Portland State University on March 6 and 7.

One VHS student, Jeff Reinsch, two WGS students, Steven Aacock and Donnie Coghill, and two Lincoln School students, Shawn Meyer, Angie Cavinee are all participating in this Special Olympics activity.

'The kids really enjoy the Olympics, because they get to seriously participate,' replied Chris Hendryx, one of the advisors for the students.

Mrs. Marilyn Pederson, Mr. Pete Forgey, and Mr. Gordan Crowston are the trainers for the Special Olympics kids.

Winter Sports Statistics

Varsity boys' basketball		JV boys' basketball	
Warrenton	8-2	6-9 season	
Vernonia	6-4	4-3 league	
Portland C.	6-4		
Corbett	4-6		Freshmen basketball
Lutheran	3-7		14-3 season
Knappa	3-7		6-0 league
State Wrestling Qualifiers		JV girls' basketball	
Howard Eskins 115		0-8 league	
Dave Wood 123			
Jerry Budge 157			
Varsity girls' basketball		Wrestling	
Corbett	7-0	weight name grade league season district	
Knappa	6-2	98 Bruce Carter 9 1-2 12-6 3rd	
Warrenton	3-4	106 Dale Mueller 10 0-1 11-3 3rd	
Lutheran	2-5	103 Wayne Kirby 9 0-2 1-9 ---	
Vernonia	0-7	115 Howard Eskins 12 4-0 20-1* 1st	
		123 Dave Wood 11 4-0 18-3* 1st	
		130 Norman Mueller 12 1-2 3-11 4th	
		141 Joe Budge 10 0-3 1-16-2 3rd	
		148 Dave Kleinman 10 2-2 10-10 --	
		149 Mark Tracy 10 0-1 3-12 ---	
		157 Jerry Budge 11 1-2 6-9-2* 2nd	
		168 Pat Dotter 11 2-2 10-10 forfeit	
		*denotes seeded first in district	

Bye, Bye Birdie to be a team effort by students and staff

Rehearsals have begun for the VHS presentation of the 1950's musical comedy *Bye, Bye Birdie*, to be presented May 8 & 9.

School District 47-J has budgeted \$900.00 to cover part of production costs, and additional money for royalties, set construction and equipment will be taken from box receipts.

Musical plays are different from regular plays in that the story simply evolves around music and dance.

Students from the entire school will be participating in the cast of 31. Students in the play will be doing a variety of

things to help. They will be locating props, painting flats, building sets, and wiring lights.

Drama class will also be putting time into the production. Technical work requirements are ten hours per drama student, and eight hours per cast member.

Faculty assistants include Mr. Terry Nimz, who will be building the sets and thrust with the help of his shop classes.

Mrs. Clarice Schorzman, who will be in charge of costumes will be assisted by her home economics classes. Mr. Brian Montgomery, Mr. Mark Pettijohn, and Mr. Jeff Smith will be in charge of lighting. Mr. Pettijohn's metals class will

be building permanent light trees and a dimmer board, that will be used for years to come.

Mr. Ward Nelson is musical director. He will be coaching the singing members of the cast, as well as playing the music for the presentations, on the organ and/or piano.

Mrs. Karen Alvstad will be the choreographer, and Mrs. Kathy Sevig, producer, will make sure everything goes smoothly and gets done on time.

Mr. Randy Stevens is the director for the production. Mr. Stevens has previous experience directing plays and acting in musicals.