

School Activities

News, Views of Salem Students



South
By
Judy Baker

"It's great to be back, South hasn't changed a bit," is typical of the comments made by returning graduates enjoying the Homecoming festivities Friday afternoon. Members of South Salem's two graduating classes arrived in their Sunday best to visit favorite teachers and coaches and view the combined Homecoming-Christmas assembly.

Former classmates exchanged chitchat of college, work, and future plans. Registration in the library where they were served refreshments at 1:15 p.m. Seniors Bob Trelstad and Kay Smith, host and hostess, greeted visitors assisted by Deanna Lee and Dave Austin at the guest book; Linda Kendrick and Marlis DeGroote, refreshments; and Jim Dodge and Larry Thompson, name tags.

Skit Portrays Show
Dressed as girls portraying last year's alumnae, eleven senior boys stage a "style show" and three pantomimes, as a highlight of the assembly presented for the student body and visiting grads. Bob Gates, senior class president, acted as commentator. Cast members for the skit included Bob Staples, John Harvey, Dick Buse, Loren Blaco, Herb Herman, Gary Zwickler, Dale Buse, Jim Rawlings, Jim Robinson, and Steve Berglund.

Welcoming the alumni were Miss Smith, Trelstad, and principal Carl Schenckler. A quartet consisting of Jack Moore, Rodney Schmidt, and John Gibbens, and Jim Newberry entertained with a barbershop style arrangement.

The Saxon Gleemen, South's all-boy singing group, sang several Christmas hymns. The a cappella choir with Lucille Wonderly as soloist, directed by Wallace Johnson, also featured various Christmas chorals.

Finals of the program was a living picture of the Madonna with the choir singing "Noel."

Script writers for the assembly were Marilyn Zeller, Bill Hazel, John Harvey, and Delores Dallas.

Plans for a Homecoming dance in honor of South's graduates never materialized because of the time involved in preparation and the heavy schedule of other activities around this date.

Constitution Voted Upon
Representing the basis of South Salem's student government, the school constitution was voted upon for approval or disapproval in home rooms on Monday, Chuck Hammerstad, head of the balloting committee, reported that although all home rooms have not yet turned in their votes, the present majority favors acceptance of the document.

The constitution was drawn up last year but was never officially ratified by the student body before several revisions were made by this year's ASB council.

Speech Tourney Winners
South Salem high's debate squad captured second place sweepstakes at the Pacific university speech tournament in Forest Grove last week.

Tying for first place in the men's debate division were Bill Ford and Bill Richter, and Peter Erickson and Judson Smith, all of South Salem.

Ford also won first place honors in extemporaneous speaking. Richter and Kenneth Savage took second and third places respectively in men's humorous interpretation. Donna Stone won third place in women's humorous.

The six debaters receiving honors all have had previous experience. The speech department also was represented by 24 first year students.

Willanette Counseling
Charles Paeth, director of admissions at Willamette university, was in charge of a counseling session for interested seniors Wednesday. Several professors were present to give detailed information concerning various departments and courses of study.

Pie Baker Chosen
"Can she bake a cherry pie?" Kay Smith asked the crowd, by winning the title of cherry pie baker of South Salem last week in a contest sponsored by the processors and growers of Red Tart Cherries. January 19 she will go to Eugene to bake in the state finals. Oregon's winner will receive an all expense paid trip to Chicago to compete in the national contest for a \$500 scholarship.

Various Clubs Meet
On club day Tuesday many clubs were busy with the undertaking of projects and discussion of future plans.

Bob Trelstad and Gary Zwickler, American Field Service exchange students, showed slides of Norway and Germany to members of the Spanish club at the group's regular business session.

The first Modern Music Masters initiation in Salem is being planned by the members of the Encore club for January 31. Twenty students are to be added to the club's enrollment. Composing the initiation committee are Rodney Schmidt, Lucy Wonderly, and Deanna Alexander. The musical organization also sponsored a noon dance on Thursday and Christmas caroling in the halls by the choir during sixth period on the same date.

Play Chosen
"Wurzelblummary" is the title of the Drama club's third play production of the year which is to be staged in February. The play was chosen by the amateur actors

and actresses of the club at the Tuesday meeting. The one act comedy will probably be given twice with a different cast for each presentation. The process of choosing the casts is taking place at nightly practices.

Al King, Ski club president, announced that the trip to Mt. Hood, tentatively planned for Saturday, has been postponed until January 12 because not enough members were signed up to charter a bus.

Gary Bixler was elected president of the newly organized Students Pro Arte, a club for students interested in art, at the first meeting of the group Monday. Vice president elect is Dale Buse and Donna Curlin is secretary treasurer.

Members approved the club constitution which was written by Bixler and Paul Fisher. Miss Shiria Archibald, art teacher, will supervise the group.

John Harvey, chairman of the International Relations League conference, reported Monday on plans for the February conference in Eugene. Speakers from the group were appointed to relate certain aspects of the United Nations, this year's IRL theme.

Holiday Activities
South students can now relax and let visions of sugar plums dance in their heads as they await a visit from Santa. However, the eleven day holiday will hold other activities besides relaxing. The annual semi-formal holiday ball, sponsored by the YWCA will take place December 28, this year's theme being "Forest Fantasy."

New Year's Eve will find many of the high school contingent at the formal dance "Lux and Tulle," also at the YWCA, sponsored by Chadwick and Cherry assemblies, Order of Rainbow for Girls.

A silhouetted tableau of the nativity scene took the spotlight at the Christmas assembly today. Atmosphere was provided by various choral groups as they sang favorite carols. The students presented gifts to the cook, Mrs. Mogol; the janitor, Mr. Moisan; and the faculty.

Sales Trophies Given
Trophies were also awarded this afternoon to the high salesmen from the magazine contest: Marie Steiner, Judy McKay, Laveda Johnson, and Susan Van. Sister Superior made the presentations.

The carolers caroling today were members of the senior class. In keeping with an old tradition at S. H. A., they serenaded the classrooms and departments. Their songs and carols were evidence that Christmas is just around the corner.

More caroling will be heard Sunday evening, when Sacred Heart and Serra get together to bring a little yuletide cheer to patients at some of the Salem institutions. The project is being sponsored by the inter-school council.

Named President
The National Honor Society is making news, as Dorothy Rupp takes the gavel as its first president. Sacred Heart's chapter of the club will celebrate its first birthday in February. Other new officers are vice-president, Gloria Koch; secretary-treasurer, Marlene Burton; and publicity chairman, Janet Larson.

Future plans discussed at the meeting Tuesday include a tutoring system to be introduced by the Society. On the basis of the achievement tests taken earlier this year, members will determine their best field and then offer help in those subjects to any member of the student body. Also planned is a tentative student-teacher day, with Honor Society members taking over as teachers. Next semester, five per cent of the senior class and a percentage of the juniors will be eligible for induction into the Society.

Chorus Entertains
"Music maestro please!" And beautiful music it was. Entertaining in the St. Joseph's gymnasium, the Maryhurst chorus and chorale presented a program of Christmas selections. Also performing Wednesday were several members of the College's chamber orchestra. Following the hour-long concert, the girls were guests at a luncheon with Sacred Heart's Treble Triad playing hostesses at the Academy.

Marie Steiner is taking over as prefect of the freshmen sodality. Working with her are Mary Ellen Johnson as vice-prefect and secretary, Lynda Thompson. Committees were formed at the sodality candidates' meeting Wednesday, with Sue Walton, Janice Suiza, Evelyn Fischer, Dottie Hartman, Marilyn Ripp, Mary Davison, Judy Boettcher and Joyce Wise selected as chairmen. Membership in these committees will be open to all students.

Hoop Tourney Held
Northwest Christian schools basketball tournament was held this week. Because of the Yawama league jamboree the same night, the varsity or pep club was unable to attend. However the J.V.'s, J.V. yell leaders and band attended. The J.V. players were divided into two teams so that they could play both the varsity and J.V. games. Two games were won and two lost while second place in sportsmanship was received.

Junior class talent show was held this week during the regular chapel and Bible periods. In all twelve acts were presented with the following juniors participating: Marge Weins, Glenda Wiley, Norma Riggs, Velora Heibert, Elise Steingrube, Orley Freisen, Jeanette Clark, Wanda Thiesen, Janice Holland, Dave Zweigart, Maddy Shoop, Marley Shoop, Elise Steingrube, Carol Ferguson, Jackie Knight and Doris Pfau. Acting as Master of Ceremonies was Lloyd Hamilton. The program was varied to include both musical and speaking, comical and serious acts.

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Sacred Heart Scholars Pick Officers



The first set of officers ever chosen for the young chapter of National Honor Society was elected this week. The group includes (left to right) Dorothy Rupp, president; Gloria Koch, vice-president; Marlene Burton, secretary-treasurer; Janet Larson, publicity chairman. The chapter, which received its charter only last February, will soon add to its limited membership. Only 10 per cent of a class is eligible. (Capital Journal Photo)



SH
By
Kathy Fischer

"I just can't wait... I just can't wait till Christmas..." These are familiar words, as the long-awaited day approaches. The girls are determined to give Christmas back to Christ, and crib scenes have taken the place of individual trees in the home rooms. The parlor, however, boasts a sparkling gem of a tree with a decorating job by the seniors.

Groups participating in the production were the eighth grade chorus, ninth grade chorus, and triple trio all directed by Phil McFarlane; the orchestra, under the direction of Victor Palmason, and the Leslie band, led by Glenn Williams.

Elections Discussed in Council
Announcement was made in student council Tuesday that campaign posters for the second semester elections would go up January 2 with primary speeches and voting the following week. Petitions for the various student body officers were filed this week.

Doug Simmons, PTA committee chairman, reported that the last meeting fell short of the 500 with only 157 parents present. Ninety-four ninth grade parents attended, giving that grade top honors. Following the next PTA meeting each class's parents attendance total will be tallied and the grade with the highest number will win an extra after school party.

Sam Sperstra, vice president, appointed a committee to decide a date for sweater day.

After returning from the much anticipated eleven day vacation, junior high students will be looking forward to the launching of basketball season, which will be the annual basketball jamboree, January 5.

Gervais Women Meet
GERVAIS (Special) — The Gervais grade school Mothers' club met last week with Mrs. Christine Kono and Mrs. Bethel Phillips in charge of refreshments. The bike stand project was reported as completed by president, Mrs. Gary Cuthforth. Co-hostesses for January will be Mrs. Ordie Hoye and Mrs. Don Hood.

Captain James Cook, who circumnavigated the globe and claimed Austria for the British crown, was a self-taught student. He borrowed a lamp so he could study navigation, mathematics and astronomy at night.



Serra
By
Jerry Marsh

Old Saint Nick must be scurrying back and forth, for there are only three days before Christmas and it is here. Marking the start of the two week vacation was the Christmas Assembly this afternoon at 1:33.

During this assembly the Juniors presented the play "Sparkin'." The four-man cast included Alvin Zielinski, Fred Doshier, John Hamstreet and Gary Martinsson. In the production of "Sparkin'." Tom Hiron, Jerry Paselick, Fred Doshier and Walter Ebert created the sound effects and the setting for the play.

Other events in the Christmas Assembly included songs by the glee club, two special songs from the Senior Quartet and a Jolly fellow in a red suit and white whiskers. A representative for the Mothers' club presented a gift to each of the faculty members and a gift to the entire student body.

Father Kevin also gave a short talk.

Glee Club Caroling
Keeping in the Christmas spirit, the Serradors, are caroling to quite a number of organizations. The glee club, under the direction of Father Joseph Benedict, sang for the employees of the T. B. Hospital. Tonight the group will be caroling before the members of the Lions Club at the Marion Hotel. They also plan to sing Christmas carols Saturday and Sunday in the downtown area.

Ski Club Plans Trip
Recently the ski fans held a special meeting to give their club a name. The 20 members of the ski club voted unanimously to name their club the "Alpine Ski Club of Serra." The members of the ski club and the glee club are planning a ski trip to Mt. Hood, December 27.

With the Christmas holidays coming, most of Serra's faculty will visit their home town during the next two weeks. Father Kevin will go to Phoenix, Ariz., while Father Claude will be in Yreka, Calif. Father Sebastian, Brother Peter, Brother Comarade and Brother Dicanates will spend the holidays in Seattle. Sister Flavia and Sister Xavier will be at the Mothers House in Spokane, Washington.

Second Issue Out
The second issue of the El Serrano was issued to all Serra students Thursday. The four page edition is edited by Jerry Marsh, and supervised by staff moderator, Sister Flavia. New members on the El Serrano newspaper are Jim Maddon, Ricky Ritter, Ronald English, Jay Ilich, Jim Panger, John Hiltner, and James Mason.

Parrish Jr. High

"I won't be back until next year" was heard in the halls today as school let out for Christmas holidays. Parties were held by all the home rooms during the last half hour of school today. Christmas trees could be found in most of the home rooms and paper candles decked all the windows. High over the front of the building a picture of Santa reigned over the occasion.

"Puppy Love" was the title of the play presented at the Christmas assembly Thursday. The story revolved around a girl and boy who became angry with each other and a puppy brought them back together. Members of the cast included David Loranca, Pat Backe, Scott Gordon, Lynne Langford, Joyce Hadden, Shirley Pierpoint and Jerry Lambert.

A semi-formal Christmas dance, entitled "Frosty's Fantasy," was held by the ninth grade class last night. The theme was a Christmas sitting and the students danced to the music of a five-piece band. General chairman of the affair was Steve Bonawitz, who was assisted by committee chairmen Carrie Marshall, Jerrie Trot, Sharon Wabs and Steve Gieckler.

A Christmas program was presented in the school auditorium Wednesday by the combined efforts of the music and drama classes. The eighth grade choir opened the program by singing two songs, followed by the band which played three numbers. The play, "Puppy Love," was presented by the drama class, and was followed by the girls chorus and the string orchestra, which presented several numbers. During the finale everyone joined in the singing of "Silent Night" and "Joy to the World."

Jim Fillet, editor of the school annual, reported that it is 10 per cent finished. In the recent staff meeting of the annual, it was decided that the annual will be named Juniper in honor of the first name of Serra patron saint, Father Junipero Serra.

Under the direction of Melvin Lulay, Don Nordone and Tom Jeselman, the Christmas crib scene is almost complete. The eight by twelve nativity scene faces Lancaster and D, and is slightly elevated so it can be easily viewed by passing motorists. The background of the crib is sky blue with the three silhouettes of Mary, Joseph, and Jesus is surrounded with evergreens.

One of the many activities during the Christmas holidays will be the Christmas Formal. Since Serra and Sacred Heart are connected by the inter-social program, many of Serra students will go. The dance will be at the Knights of Columbus hall, December 28.



North
By
Pat Campbell

There was no denying that the Christmas spirit was quite pronounced at North Salem this week. A big tree, decked with blue lights and tinsel, stood in the main hall, as well as another down by the gym. Thoughts of the holidays ahead brightened the faces of students, except perhaps those who might have seen the North-South game Tuesday night, but even that unhappy experience was beginning to wear off.

Homecoming Dance Tonight
The big events of the week were the annual homecoming banquet Thursday and the homecoming semi-formal to be held tonight. The banquet, which was held in the cafeteria, was in honor of the alumni. Senior Herb Shipman, acted as master of ceremonies at the affair. Theme for the occasion were talks by various people on the subject of "Hats," such as cowboy hats, swim caps, and others. Sue Jenkins was in charge of the program.

"December Dream" is the title of the first semi-formal dance of the year, sponsored by the associated student body. Four murals, depicting winter scenes, will be placed on the walls of the gymnasium and 30 Christmas trees, lighted by different colored floor lights, will be placed along one side of the floor. A big Christmas tree in the center of the floor will be Santa's headquarters, and he will give candy to the dancers as they pass by. A five piece band has been engaged to play. Marilyn Reaney is chairman of the affair.

Yule Assembly Held
The annual Christmas assembly was presented to the student body this afternoon. Along with individual talent displayed, the drama class presented a play and the audience was treated to vocal selections by the "A" choir and choruses. Bob Richardson, ASB first vice president, was general chairman of the program.

The Christmas spirit wasn't lagging in the Home Economics club this week as they held their annual "Christmas Cookie" treat over a three-day period. At a designated time, students were invited to go down to the "Hi Home" (a room fixed up to resemble a living room) and be given a cookie treat. Hostesses greeted the classes as they came to enjoy the Christmas music, the lovely Christmas tree and the cookies.

A Christmas concert was presented to the general public Thursday evening in the school auditorium. Featured in the program was the school orchestra, a play by the drama class, and vocal selections by the mixed chorus and the Girls Glee. The "A" choir also sang several selections.

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