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GERRY VIGIL

"Chow Mein" Most Valued By Gerry Vigil

On a hot afternoon in 1955, September 3 to be exact, in a San Francisco Hospital, a baby daughter, (their third) was born to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Vigil.

The first day of Gerry's life was spent in an incubator, then she moved home and not too long after that she moved with her family to Seattle to her second home. The Vigils moved around quite frequently until they finally settled in Vernonia, where they have been for eight years.

Now Gerry, a 5'1", 17½-year-old senior, is about to graduate and step out into the world.

Gerry has been very active during her high school years. She has been in GAA for four years, was secretary her junior year, and president her senior year. Gerry has also been a member of FTA and Language Club.

For the first three of her four high school years, Gerry participated strongly on all of the girl's athletic teams, except for track. She was a key member of both the volleyball and basketball teams. In volleyball, Gerry was the strongest server and played on the varsity team all three years. In basketball, Gerry served as one of the teams two starting guards and was also captain all three years.

Gerry Vigil is a very outgoing, happy-go-lucky individual and is well liked by almost everyone. Her favorite possession is her pet Siamese cat, "Chow Mein," most commonly called "Chow" or "Choy" unless she's getting in trouble and then it's "Chow Mein" again.

If one were to ask Gerry what she likes to do best, she would probably say: "I like to play." Other than that she likes to ride her 10-speed bike and attempt to play tennis.

During her high school years, Gerry has acquired four nicknames. They are "Deputy Dog," "Little Devil," "Netta Bear," and "Gerald."

Next fall Gerry plans to move into Portland to the Ondine which is a womans residence and is going to attend Portland State University. She's not sure, but she thinks she might major in physical education.

LANCE STEVENS

Peace Corps Is Lance's Plans

Lance Merrill Stevens, who was born September 10, 1955, in Portland, Oregon, moved to Vernonia the summer before his junior year.

Due to working on their house, he and his brothers and sister started school one week late.

Before he moved to Vernonia, Lance attended David Douglas High School in Portland.

Lance is one of the taller seniors, as he is six-foot, one inch, and weighs 150 pounds. He has brown curly hair.

FFA is the only club Lance has participated in. He has entered many exhibits in the county and state fairs. Lance was vice president of FFA his senior year.

Lance's favorite pet is his Irish wolfhound, "Moonglow." His favorite song is "Stairway to Heaven" by Led Zepplin. After graduation, Lance plans to go into the Peace Corps.

SEAT BELTS SAVE LIVES

WARD NELSON hands out music awards at Principal's Awards Assembly, then in turn is tabbed "Teacher of the Year" by VHS chapter, Future Teachers of America.

Principal Award Assembly Honors Students, Athletes

Last Thursday, May 30, the Annual Principal's Award Assembly was held in the VHS gym to honor students who have earned special awards during the school year.

NHS started the assembly with the installation of next year's officers. Chris Collins was installed as next year's sergeant-at-arms by Walt Floeter. Candy Brunsman was installed by current student council representative, Kathi Medges.

Renee Reck was installed as treasurer by Marsha Sturdevant. Kathy Odam installed Becky Curl as secretary and Sue Garner installed Randy Roberts as vice-president. President Walt Floeter installed Scott Cameron as the new '73-74 president of NHS.

Arthur Parrow asked Mrs. Ora Bolmeier to come forward. Ward Nelson started playing "Pomp and Circumstances." She was presented a corsage from the senior class and her cap and gown by Walt Floeter and Kay Grimsbo. A flower arrangement was given to Mrs. Bolmeier by Mr. Parrow.

Parrow presented the perfect attendance awards. Mike Sutherlin and Jim Etheridge were the only students who received awards. Jim received an award for two years of perfect attendance.

Mike McKee presented the Furgason Science Award to Chris Collins for being the outstanding science student at VHS. He also presented the Bausch and Lomb Award to the two outstanding freshman science students, Randy Hansen and Cheryl Ray.

Melvin Nice presented the biology award, football, basketball and track awards. Patty Cone received the Biology award, and Tom Merritt received the award for being "Lineman of the Year." Larry Queen received the "Back of the Year" award.

The "Football Player of the Year" award went to Walt Floeter, and the track and field award went to Rick Davis. For frosh basketball, Terry Ellson and D.J. Cole received awards.

Mrs. Dorothy Brallier, district librarian, presented pins to Patty Steele and Cindy Galliano for student help in the library.

Student AV aides who received certificates were Marty Koch and Brian Traylor. Rory Dunaway and Mike Smith received special recognition for their work in AV.

Darla Normand, Judy Grant, Rick Jensen, and Donna Willard received library student certificates from Mrs. Brallier for their work in the library.

Ronda Smith and Renee Reck presented the "Teacher of the Year" award to Ward Nelson, from the FTA club. Nelson was voted teacher of the year by members of FTA.

Sue Smejkal was then installed as an honorary member of FFA by Keith Gardner and Darla Normand for her artistic assistance to the club throughout the year.

Don Kabler presented awards to Scott Sword, beginning mechanics; Scott Ellis, agriculture production; Irvin Normand, advanced mechanics; and Keith Gardner, public speaking; all for FFA participation.

Debbie Banta presented three presents from the studentbody of VHS to Alberto Allegre. They were a scrapbook on Vernonia, covering the time he's been here; a pen and an ID bracelet, which will have an inscription put on it later.

Gary Curtis, coach of the varsity basketball and golf teams, presented the most improved player award to Mike Smith. Keith Gardner received special recognition from Curtis for his participation on the team.

Curtis presented the outstanding basketball player of the 1972-73 season award to Rick Davis. Curtis then presented Don Kabler a special award called the "Rebounding Coach Award."

Gary Geist, JV coach and business teacher, presented his basketball awards, business awards, and accounting awards. For the outstanding player of the JV team, the award went to Scott Ellis; and Chris Collins received an award for the most improved JV player.

Cheryl Ray and Diane Reck received the outstanding business awards for their work in typing. Dana Andrus received a special award for achievement in typing. Kathy DeWitt received the accounting award.

Carol Nelson and Becky Curl received awards for being the co-editors of this year's Memolog, and Debbie Banta received special recognition for her work on the staff. Kathi Medges also received an award for her work as business manager for the Memolog.

Doug Ellis and Gayle Slaughter then said "Thank You" to Arthur Parrow, Darrold Proehl and all the other men and women who have helped the Police Cadets.

Terry Schaumburg received the most outstanding wood worker award from Mike Taylor and Ole Bergerson received the drafting award. Robbie Hanson received the outstanding wrestler award.

Band awards went to Brad Garner, Marsha Sturdevant, Pat Curl, Gayle Welch, and Joan Foote for being the top members of band.

Joan Foote received the John Phillip Sousa award, also.

Kathi Medges, Jeff Dotter, Clint Holsey, and Jeff Reck received the choral awards. Kathi Medges also received the National School Choral Award.

Ken Roberts presented the McEntire Mathematics award to Alberto Allegre for his exceptional work in Math IV.

For cross country, Pat Curl received the most outstanding award, and Jeff Reck received the most improved award.

Mrs. Alvilda Hearing presented the English award to Debbie Banta and Susan Smejkal received the speech award.

Pat Curl received the most inspirational underclassman award for the second year in a row; and the most outstanding athlete award was given to Rick Davis.

The Sally Knowlton Memorial was given to Carol Nelson for being the best cheerleader, and the one who showed the most spirit and other characteristics throughout the year.

The last awards given were leadership and citizenship awards and they were given to Carol Nelson and Keith Gardner by Principal Parrow.

The new and old studentbody officers then took their places to be installed for the new year. Last year's officers were Marty Koch, president; Rick Davis, vice-president; Kelly Nance, secretary; Carol Nelson, treasurer;

Dick Brunsman, sergeant-at-arms; Debbie Banta, foreign exchange representative; Chris Collins, foreign exchange representative; and Steve Johnston, studentbody manager.

New officers are Steve Johnston, president; Dick Brunsman, vice-president; Sandy Tupper, secretary; Vicki Gilliland, treasurer;

Ronda Smith, foreign exchange representative; Dewey Conroy, foreign exchange representative; Brett Wuest, student body manager; and Clint Holsey, sergeant-at-arms.

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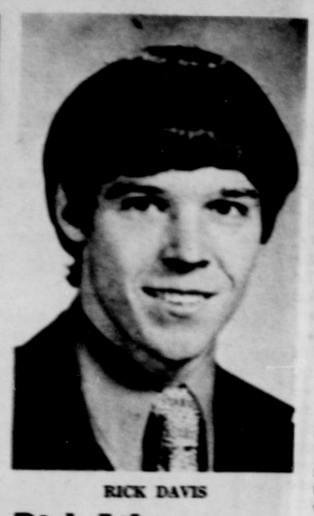

RICK DAVIS

Rick Likes to Work On Cars

Ricky Lynn Davis, born November third, 1955, in the city of Portland, has been quite a student at VHS.

He has been active in sports all through high school, turning out for football, basketball, and track for four years. He was a varsity letterman in football and basketball three years, and track all four years. He also received the Albert Brunsman Memorial award his sophomore year, and the Terry Smith Memorial award his junior year.

His parents are Sam and Hilder Davis, who live at 1700 Nehalem St. He has one older brother and one younger brother. The older one, Gary, is attending OCE; and his younger brother, Duwayne, is in sixth grade this year.

Rick is student manager and studentbody vice-president this year, and as for organizations, he belongs to FFA, Paul Bunyan, and Student Council.

Mr. Kabler's classes and English are his favorite classes. Rick is also a real car nut, working on cars in his spare time and his hobbies are, of course, working on cars and driving them.

This summer, Rick is going to work at Tektronix, and this fall he plans to attend OCE.

TOM TRONSON

Tom Plans To Join the Navy

Tom Tronson, a member of the graduating Class of '73, was born on February 8, 1954, in St. Ignatious, Montana to Bernard and Marie Tronson.

Tom is five foot, seven inches tall, has blue yes and brown hair, and weighs 160 pounds.

Tom lettered in wrestling his sophomore year, and is a member of Language Club and FFA.

His favorite sport is football and his favorite teacher is Mr. Kabler. He enjoys Spanish class the most of all his classes. His favorite color is blue, favorite food, tamales. The song Tom likes the most is the "Star Spangled Banner," and his favorite movie star is Raquel Welch.

Tom has a three-point grade average, but does not plan on going to college. Instead he plans on joining the navy at the end of the summer.

He keeps himself very busy working at Cliff's Sentry after school and on weekends. He is also a member of the newly formed Police Cadets, and is a member of the Vernonia Volunteer Fire Department.

His friends sometimes call Tom by his nickname of "Titmouse." Tom's dog is named "Scout." His pet peeve is "Kids that take drugs."

Building Permits for Columbia County Up

Building permits were up in Columbia County in April, 1973, compared to April, 1972, the University of Oregon Bureau of Business and Economic Research has reported.

In April, 1973, the total was $324,700 compared to $269,832 in the same month last year.

KATHY ODAM

Kathy Odam Fears Snakes

Kathy Joan Odam is a free-minded girl who says "I'm liberal in that I think women deserve to get the same pay as men when they work the same jobs, but it's crazy if women's lib goes as far as getting us drafted."

Kathy has many likes and dislikes. Some of the things that she likes are being with people who laugh a lot and who like to have fun because she laughs all the time. Kathy would rather go to Eastern Oregon because there is always something happening and fun things to do.

There are two things that Kathy really dislikes—one is snakes and the other is people who say they'll do something, then at the last minute, they change their minds without letting anyone know.

Right now Kathy goes to school five periods a day, then does house work. After school Kathy plans to get a job and go back and forth to work. In late summer or early fall Kathy and her sister Jackie wants to get a house out of town.

Kathy, the baby of the family, is the daughter of Jack and Lorraine Odam, and was born September 13. Kathy's oldest sister, MaryAnne is 20 years old and taking nursing at Good Samaritan. Her next oldest sister Jackie, 19, works in Portland.

KIP BRADY

Kip Brady Has Many Interests

Kip Elliott Brady was born at 9:30 a.m. on the date of March 9, 1955 to proud parents Robert and Dorothy Bradv.

Kip, whose nickname is "Alice," stands 5'5" tall and weighs 130 pounds. Baseball is Kip's favorite sport, math is his favorite subject, pool is his favorite hobby and spaghetti is his favorite food.

He is a member of both the Paul Bunyan and Science Club. Kip also serves as vice-president of the senior class.

In his junior year he participated in cross-country and received his letter.

Kip says that he is planning on going to college at Portland State this fall.

VHS Students Plan '73-74 Schedule

It was pre-registration day, Monday, May 21, for high school students. Each student, whether or not returning next year, filled out a form.

On the paper it was explained that each school day consists of seven 50-minute periods. Each elective offered is promised only if there are enough students signed up.

For next year there have been a few additions to the electives, such as girl's mechanics, yearbook and business law.

Each senior must have 22 credits to graduate, 12 of which are required by the state.

Hawaiian Trip Planned By Brunsman Family

Thursday, June 7, Dick Brunsman will be leaving for Hawaii with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Brunsman.

They will be flying to Honolulu on the island of Oahu to see Dick's sister and brother-in-law, Carol and Gerry Gibney. They plan to stay in Hawaii for two weeks.

Some of the things Dick plans to do while there are to play some golf, walk and swim along the beach a lot, and, of course, watch girls.

Alberto Tells Life Pattern In Homeland

This year's foreign exchange student, Alberto Allegre, has expressed a wish for the following information about Mexico to go on the Timberline page:

"I would not dare to wear the giant hat (sombrero) which is used like a motto in the Mexico Travel Bureau; I would not be able to stand the hissing and jests from the people, and no one excpet during the Mexican Rodeo, wears it.

"It has been a very common mistake, trying to show the countries with a general idea. Mexico is divided into two big sections, the urban (51 percent) with the speed of the computers and wrapped up in air pollution; and the rural (49 percent) with the monotony of their customs and the peacefulness of their nature.

"No doubt that it is in the country where one can see the contribution of the indigenous culture in the shaping of the Mexican. Indian contributions include much of the food and drink of the average Mexican. The tortillas and chile, the pulque and music, and even in typical Mexican clothing such as serape, a bright colored shawl, or the comfortable footwear known as huaraches.

"Religion in the country is very similar to the ancient Aztec religion, in their rare beliefs, many of them mixed with superstitions and witchcraft. Every home has a picture of the Virgin of Guadalupe, "The Queen of Mexico," and that person's name is the most popular in any place.

"However, the enormous social pressure, the TV, the radio and magazines are changing the customs in the urban section. Thus the songs of Chicago, Grand Funk, the Carpenters, etc., are played for dancing. 'Long hairs,' and 'Love and Peace,' mottos are also seen.

"Although it is insufficient, the government education is free, including the university. However, not many students can go to the university, (about one for every 500 students in primary). The responsibility is too big for me is representing about 500 students that could not do it, and consequently the uneasiness is directed to help the farmers and workmen.

"In October, 1968 was performed a gigantic manifestation from the students asking for some law changes which finished tragically—with a massacre by the government. The most recent, on June 10, Corpus Christi Day, students from the National University began a march of protest to the main plaza, in route to the presidential palace. Suddenly the students were fired on by a holligan gang. Thirteen students were killed and many more injured.

"Anyway, the students are conscious of their responsibilities with the 'forgotten people;'" besides these great manifestations, there are many little groups which perform works of social aid, but are so humble that they can not be seen.

"The minimum wage in Mexico is three dollars a day; however, life is cheaper in the indispensable goods, like food. But, on the other hand, President Echeverria imposed a 10 percent tax on luxury goods for a more equal distribution of the wealth.

"Government, since 1917 with the new constitution—the most revolutionary ever written in the new world and a model for many subsequent Latin American Constitutions—became the law of the land. With Agrarian reform, national ownership of all subsoil rights, labor and Social Security laws, and separation of the church and state, the Mexican government has a special type of democracy, in my viewpoint, a Democratic-Socialist, such as is shown by the fact of that all the wealthiness of the subsoil belongs to the state; the petroleum, the electricity, the railroad, and the greater most part of the telephone company.

"Moreover, in August, the Mexican government got the 51 percent of the stock of the Cauanea Mining Company, an American Company. The land is distributed into 'ejidos' or cooperative village communities, divided into family plots.

"Customs - The 'charreria' (Mexican rodeo), the 'Peleas de Gallos' (cock fighting), and the 'corrides de toros' (bull fights), are still traditional in Mexico. 'Las Mananitas' (popular song sung early in the morning for waking up a person on his birthday or All-Saints Day) and 'las Golondrings' (sung to say goodbye to someone, which was sung at the closing of the Summer Olympic games in Mexico) are very popular songs.

"Many other customs are connected with Holy days: like eating bread in the form of a skull or cakes in the shape of a coffin on the dead's day.

"These are some of the faces of a country, a country with so many faces that they can not be covered with a hat, even if it is a giant hat!"

County Banks Report

Bank debits for the eight reporting banks including Columbia County were up in April, 1973, compared to April, 1972, the University of Oregon Bureau of Business and Economic Research has reported.

Debits for April, 1973 totaled $27,025,000. For March, 1973, the total was $26,322,000 and for April, 1972, the total was $21,978,000.

STEVE SCHMIDLIN

Steve Enjoys Sports Mostly

Steven James Schmidlin was born November 26, 1953 in Portland, Oregon.

Steven is very involved in sports. At his old old high school, Rex Putman in Milwaukie, Steve played two years of basketball and three years of football. Steve carried his football playing on to Vernonia where he did a very good job at guard at 6'2" and 180 pounds.

As far as classes go Steve's main interests lie in the vocational part of the school. Steve has belonged to FFA for four years.

After Steve graduates, he will more than likely work in the woods and stay with his grandmother with whom he lives now.

On television Steve likes to watch basketball and "Kung Fu;" and for his favorite musical group, he likes "Led Zepplin."

ESTHER WILLIE

Esther Plans Nursing Career

Esther Nina Willie, 19-year-old daughter of Mrs. Mildred Willie, was born on July 2, 1953 at Schury, Nevada, and because of her father's job in the service, she moved a great deal throughout the U.S. until the third grade.

Since then she has lived in Vernonia, where she resides at 1299 Bridge Street.

Esther, a 5'4" member of the class of '73, is currently employed at Mario's where she works after school. Also in her spare time, Esther enjoys jogging. Esther has hazel colored eyes, brunette colored hair and has a pet dog named "Skipper."

Esther's pet peeve is conceited people. Her favorite color is red. She also likes chicken, and playing tennis. Her favorite class is physics and her favorite teacher is Mrs. Hearing. Esther is also an active member of the Memolog.

Esther plans to attend Portland Community College where she will major in practical nursing.

Esther's biggest gripe in the world is people who want something out of life and will not work for it, but want it given to them.

SAWDUST

The seniors practiced the graduation march during second and third period, Thursday. The band played the music during second period and Ward Nelson played his wonderous piano during third period.

Last week in Robb Wilson's senior sketch, an error was made. In the article it stated Robb has only one brother and one sister. The error is that Robb really has two brothers and a sister. The brother left out was Brian, a student at WGS.

In spite of the fact that the seniors graduated last Friday, some still haun' the halls of VHS.

Dave Clason found a dandelion in the hedge in front of the school last week which measured, three feet and four and one-quarter inches in height.

Many students are complaining about the quietness in the halls of VHS this week—because the noisy seniors are gone.

This is the last issue of the Timberline until next fall when next year's Journalism class has learned the fundamentals well enough to start publication.

GGA Members Honored With Assembly

Friday, June 1, a special assembly took place during activity period to honor GAA members.

Mrs. Arrant called to the floor the 23 members and presented each with the award that they earned during the year. Mrs. Arrant pointed out that Kathi Medges earned the most points during her four years of school.

After all the girls received their award, Mrs. Arrant asked the school to join her in saying IMUA (which in Hawaiian means "fight") to the girls.

Principal Parrow followed Mrs. Arrant by presenting the cheerleaders with pins for their service and promotion of school spirit throughout the year.

The first to be awarded were the football cheerleaders. Gayle Welch and Deb Banta each received pins with a one-year guard attached. Gerry Vigil, Sandy Tupper, and Tracie Merritt each received a pin.

JV basketball cheerleaders, Stephanie Gwin, Rhonda Persyn, Ann Munro, Kathy Osgood, and Sharon Smejkal stepped down to receive their pins.

Varsity basketball cheerleaders, Carol Nelson and Kathi Medges received pins with a one-year guard, Kelly Nance, Sue Smejkal and Becky Curl each received pins.

Last, but not least, Karen Tovey, Debbie McLean and Evan Persyn received pins for their service as wrestling cheerleaders.

Mrs. Taylor then took over as she presented certificates to 15 volleyball girls and a corsage to the best overall JV and Varsity players who were Wendy Johnston and Kathi Medges.

As assistant coach for the basketball team, Gordon Crowston had the honor of giving certificates to the girl's basketball team and of presenting Marsha Sturdevant with a corsage for being the best overall player.

Mrs. Arrant took over again as she presented each track and field member with a certificate and the two district participants each received a corsage; they were Becky Curl and Linda Shrum.

Then a corsage was given to several girls for the best participation in PE class. They were as follows: Margy Tronson, freshman; Donna Willard, sophomore; Connie Kyser, Junior; Carol Nelson, senior.

This concluded the assembly, and the studentbody went back to work as they entered third period.

TIM ENYART

Enyart Enjoys 'Bluegrass'

Timothy Frank Enyart was born in Vernonia on the date of July 10, 1954, and has lived in Vernonia all 18 years of his life.

Tim has brown hair, blue eyes, stands at five-foot, eleven inches, and weighs 210 pounds. His home is located on Keasey Route where he lives with his parents, Frank and Georgia Enyart. He has an older half-brother, Monty Kelly, and a cat named "Charley."

Tim's favorite hobby is practicing dirt track racing with his 1951 BSA goldstar dirt track cycle. Tim has been a motorcycle enthusiast since he was seven years old, and has been riding for three years. Also, Tim enjoys playing bluegrass music on his five string banjo. In his spare time Tim works on his Model "A" Ford.

Tim's favorite color is blue; his favorite food is venison; and his favorite class is shop. If he dislikes something in the world it would be dishonesty of government officials and how people change rapidly.

After graduation, Tim plans on moving to Central Oregon where he will seek a job.

When asked what he likes about Vernonia, Tim replied: "It's a nice place to live and it's away from the big city." Tim dislikes Vernonia because of the weather and he also says that there's not enough opportunities for young people.

Tim's ambition is to be himself; and his pet peeve is people who pretend "they're something they are not."

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