

The Longhorn myth

by Steve Hall

There's a legend which lurks about our school. A tale known fully by few, but recognized in part by most. Undoubtedly, at sometime or another, you've probably witnessed a group of students flashing a Longhorn sign. What's a Longhorn sign you ask! Well, it's really quite simple to make. First clench your fist and extend the index and pinkie fingers. Hold upright and you've created a shape similar to the horns of a Brahma Bull. Now you're a full fledged Longhorn!

How did this legend begin? Why is it no longer an official part of our school? The first year of our school the students were faced with many pressing problems. Possibly, none so demanding as the decision of our school's theme and name. A title which must fairly and proudly represent ourselves as well as our building. The students decided that the themes should all be prepared and represented during an assembly, after which a vote would decide the final outcome.

Three themes were considered: An Old English theme, a Pacific Northwest theme and a Western theme. The Old English backed a chimera emblem and the nickname, the Royals. The logging people favored a lumberjack style, with the Loggers as a title. And finally the Westerners, spearheaded by Mr. Bob Jacobs, went for a frontier critique with the infamous "hook 'em horns" gesture.

After weeks of preparation and campaigning, it looked like Mr. Jacob's Longhorns had a pretty good shot at becoming a permanent Lynnwood motto. The group had put together a variety of good ideas. They sug-

Horticulture class makes things grow

by Ken Nickell

Students in Mr. Schmitz's horticulture class first and second mod are finding it to be a valuable experience. From indoor plants to vegetable plants, they offer a variety of each at a low cost.

The class, which is the only class of its kind in the district, is a self-supporting class and gets very little help from the district. Plant sales are the main way they get their money, but night classes for adults are taught by Mr. Schmitz and the proceeds go to horticulture.

Plant sales are usually on Wednesdays during activity period but sometimes are held on Fridays. Everyone is welcome to the sales. If you know of neighbors, friends or relatives that would like to come to the sales, feel free to invite them.

Students learn much more than just caring for plants. They learn the conditions the plants live in and when to transplant, mixing soil, building greenhouses, and learning the right way to plant a garden. During the Christmas break you might have noticed a new addition to the school, a large greenhouse constructed by Mr. Schmitz and the horticulture class.

Students wanting information on their plants or the class for next year, should see Mr. Schmitz in room 71.

gested attire featuring cowboy hats, boots and T-shirts. They also presented a case for country and western music which would provide a rousing support for the Longhorns.

On the final day of decision, each side was allowed to present one last speech. The Longhorn spokesman took his turn, and made one crippling mistake. He said we should be Longhorns because Mr. Jacobs says we should. This reasoning brought a roar of laughter from the crowd and didn't do much for the Longhorn cause.

The final votes were then cast with the Royals winning and the Longhorns a very close second. Regardless of the outcome the legend still has a place in the history of LHS. And on a clear day one can still hear the tale echoing through the gymnasium of Champion Hall.

Take a trip

by Lori Nightingale

Anyone interested in traveling and learning, might take note of the opportunities offered by the American Institute for Foreign Study. This organization arranges study and travel programs for students and teachers in 30 foreign countries, for academic studies, travel, and sightseeing tours.

One of the travel abroad programs taking place this summer is being led by Mr. William Crosset, a teacher at Meadowdale High School. It is a five week excursion, during which students will travel to London, Paris, Salzburg, Venice, and Rome. It is a theater workshop basically, with nightly visits to theaters located in the five cities. The program deals also with courses in the performing arts, and students choose one of the following classes to take while they're in Europe; Drama Appreciation, Music Appreciation, Film Analysis, or Dance Drama. The five week trip departs July 20, from New York, and arrives back in New York City on August 23. The fees, including all accommodations, theater tickets, meals and an allowance for spending money, is \$1,395. This price does not include plane fare to New York, which is approximately \$250 for a round trip ticket from Seattle to New York and back.

The above program is but one of the many travel abroad trips that the American Institute for Foreign Study (AIFS) has to offer. The courses do not all take place in the summer. The AIFS also organizes one week programs during winter and spring vacations, the cost starting from \$369. Besides these vacation courses, the institute arranges full year study programs in ten countries around the world.

Applications for foreign study are taken on a first come, first serve basis. Students may apply independently, or as a member of a "hoometown" counselor group. Those who apply independently are assigned to a counseling group in the area. For more information, write to; American Institute for Foreign Study, 102 Greenwich Ave., Greenwich, Connecticut, 06830.



New teacher, Ed Pieper works with student in auto shop.

New teacher

by Darrel Draisey

We have a new teacher at Lynnwood High School. His name is Mr. Ed Pieper and he teaches Auto Shop. Mr. Pieper replaced Mr. Jack Nielson, who is now teaching at Bellevue High School. Last year Mr. Pieper taught traffic safety in Edmonds School District. He has taught traffic safety in Mountlake Terrace, Edmonds, and Lynnwood. Mr. Pieper likes the facilities at Lynnwood and he likes the attitudes that the students here have. One of Mr. Pieper's hobbies is airplanes. He has his own pilot's license. Before Mr. Pieper became a teacher, he was in the armed forces.

Mr. Pieper wants to stay here for a little while, and the students of Lynnwood High School wish him the best of luck.

Camp counselors chosen on basis of qualifications

by Ed Smith

If you turned in a student leader application keep your fingers crossed because applications will soon go through the process of screening; where they will be heavily scrutinized. If you are chosen, consider yourself highly qualified.

To be chosen as a camp counselor, the student must have an interest in music, musical instruments, and singing. The person must be able to show maturity while operating under independent situations. There should also be an interest in drama, to lead skit activities. The student should enjoy the outdoors, and

FBLA auction

by Dena Mock

The Lynnwood Senior High School FBLA, sponsored by Mrs. Sandy Ottmar, is having an auction on April 10, at 12:30 p.m. in the L.H.S. commons.

Lynnwood High School students, as well as local community members, are invited and urged to attend the auction. All proceeds will go to the March of Dimes.

FBLA members have asked local merchants to donate goods. They have been extremely successful. Donations of groceries, clothes, gift certificates, and records have been received.

If anyone would like to help the club by donating goods from businesses, etc., take them to room 18. For any further information, feel free to contact Robin Hansen, chairperson of the March of Dimes auction.

BOC election fiasco

by Mark Loftin

By now most everyone has heard of the big mess up in the BOC elections. Of how one presidential candidate is ahead by numerous votes and after a recount, ends up a loser in the race.

According to Mr. Jim Gaddy, the first vote was invalid due to eleven homerooms not voting and an incorrect tally of the votes that were cast. It is fairly easy to accept the fact of a miscount but eleven votes not being cast is crazy; there were approximately only 40 votes cast in that election. A quarter of the student body not voting clearly shows some of the apathy student's have toward BOC.

It is obviously time to change election procedures so this type of ballyhoo won't occur again. It has been stated that the basis of student government is to create a learning experience where the student gets a understanding of what government is all about. How can a student know who's who in an election without open campaigning. Many sophomores don't even know who they are voting for, let alone why. Speeches are delivered improperly. Instead of a representative addressing his class, why not have candidates themselves deliver their own speeches during the three lunch mods in the Commons, maybe twice before elections. The candidates need more exposure so the election

results will be more along the lines of issues than personalities.

The voting procedures need to be revised. Being on an electoral vote a candidat can appear to win by a landslide when the actual number of votes cast could be just enough to win each class vote. For example, a class votes 16 for one candidate, and 14 for another; the one with the most votes gets the one electoral vote. The other 14 from then on are nonexistent.

A system needs to be instated where each individual vote counts, whether by balloting in class or having a polling place for the whole school. This way every vote for each candidate counts.

Under this system election results would be more fair to the candidates and the students, making it clear as to how the election went.

Let's get B.O.C. back to all the students, so we all know what's going on.

Elections held

by Darrell Draisey

B.O.C. recently held a new election for officers for second semester. These officers are President Ted Pittis, Vice-President Dave Miller, Treasurer Patty McCormick, and Secretary John Degnin.

Some of these people were voted in for first semester as well as for second semester.

The students of Lynnwood High School wish B.O.C. and the newly elected officers the best of luck for second semester.

Commencement held June 4

by Debbie Dehart

Commencement exercises for all seniors who meet the graduation requirements will be held June 4 at 8:00 p.m. in the Everett Civic Auditorium.

Diplomas will be handed out by administration personnel. There will be a minister from the Lynnwood High School service area present at the ceremony. One speaker is chosen by the Senior Class, another by honor society, and the third speaker is selected by the faculty. Admission will be by ticket only. Each student will be given six tickets for family and friends. In the past all students managed to come up with enough tickets by finding other students who did not need all of theirs.

The ceremony itself will take approximately one and one half hours. Students may sit with who they wish, only they must alternate boy-girl-boy-girl. The boys will wear black gowns and the girls will wear gold.

Commencement practice will take place the day before or morning of the actual ceremony. The gym will be set up to look like the Everett Civic Auditorium for practice. No student will be able to go through the exercises unless they attend the practice.

Commencement is not mandatory for graduation and students not participating may pick up their diplomas in the office the following week.

Get involved

by Lora Lavell

Students—if you are looking for something to do and want to get involved, here's your chance.

We are looking for people to help form a group to help out the senior citizens. A meeting is going to be held on April 15 for those who are interested. There will be a discussion on three topics: transportation, economics, and the senior citizen's place in society.

If you turned in a student leader application, keep your Giddens or Mr. Nordeen.

Royal exchange in Japan

Dear editor:
This is not going to be a golden propaganda stunt to make everyone go to Japan for one year, it's simply an outline of what the exchange program is about. There are two high schools available in Japan-American exchange; Yamate and Hiroshima. Most exchanges will be for Yamate. The program is a direct exchange of students from America, who go overseas to meet people, learn a different way of life, and study the language of another race. In their place will be a Japanese person, who will stay in their homes and go to their high schools. Americans going to Yamate will live in dormitories by the school or (if they live close by) in their host parents homes.

only because they have a bad home-life situation, because this would almost inevitably cause problems for the Japanese student who visits in their place. Also, don't come just to misuse an entire year's worth of time. In Japan there is a great deal of freedom, and you don't have to study extremely hard, but since you are only to be there for one short school year, it is important and very beneficial if you learn both the language and the Japanese way of life to the fullest extent.

There are, of course, a few disadvantages in living at Yamate. For one thing, the food is very nearly inedible in the dormitories. Another disadvantage is that most of the people have a basic knowledge of English, so that one year of living there will not make you fluent in the Japanese language. However, living among the Japanese and learning their customs makes up

for it in the long run.

Japan is one of the most exciting places in the world. The area we live in is Yokohama, one of the largest cities in Japan, and about 15 minutes away from Tokyo by train. When you look out at it, it all appears to be an endless sea of buildings, and it gets tiresome now and then to not be able to see a single speck of green. Talking to the people in Japan makes up for it though, and there are so many vacations at Yamate that there are many chances to see the beautiful parts of Japan, and do things like skiing, sightseeing, going to concerts, etc.

So, if you're interested in going, remember to keep these things in mind. Going as a senior is the best time, because you tend to get more out of it. But, going at any time is a beautiful experience, one in which you learn a lot. Remember that the flight leaves to Haneda Airport, Tokyo on Aug. 28. If interested please see a counselor immediately.

Thank you,
Carol Uyeda
& Kathy Reese

Education ideals seen

by Dena Mock

In our educational system today, it was assumed that emphasis would naturally be placed upon the ideal of learning how to learn. Unfortunately, this has not been as successful as it should be. Despite the fact that learning is proven to be the responsibility of the individual, students continually blame "the Establishment" for any shortcomings arising in the course of their schooling.

Change in attitude toward education have had an extreme impact on high school students and others. This has caused students to continually criticize, put down, and even rebel against the educational system. And why shouldn't they? With the legislature in Olympia seemingly inactive about the imminent failing of mankind's most important institutions—schools, as if it was no big deal; with levies failing throughout our state, suggesting that even parents do not feel the educational system is worth paying for; it is no surprise the inevitable result is a highly critical, pessimistic "who gives a rip" attitude among students.

Of course, the importance of a high school diploma is recognized

by some people. It is too bad it is generally for the wrong reasons. This little piece of paper received by thousands of graduates annually has almost totally lost its value. The high school diploma has become just another status symbol for students, all other values lost along the way. This materialistic attitude displayed seems to show the feeling that a diploma accounts only for how well a person wasted 12 years of his or her short life.

Such attitudes aid not only in deterioration of our schools, but also of the individuals who need to grow and to learn the art of learning.

Our educational system must change to meet the needs of our constantly growing society. Continual criticism and dissatisfaction without hope for improvement will only further expand the apathy among teachers and students. However, until real improvements are made, we must make the most of the limited but valuable opportunity available; The privilege that millions of people ache for and are somehow denied—the opportunity for education and to learn how to learn.

OPINION

Pro-smoking concept viewed

by Chris Miller

In regards to last issue's editorial written by Joann Lee, 'Where There's Smoke'. It was a very immature article. The article gets to the problem very well. But, her solution makes me somewhat ill.

We know that smoking in the bathrooms is a serious problem. But is throwing water in people's faces and calling them rebellious going to solve it? It was difficult to even consider what Miss Lee had to say after that. If everyone thought in that manner,

there would be no sense in even coming to school because our ignorance would surpass our education.

Instead of "running into the bathrooms and yelling fire and throwing water in someone's face," we should face this problem in a more realistic way. Miss Lee has stated that the non-smoker has rights, but she has neglected to say that the smoker has rights too.

When thinking in these terms an agreement must be reached. The only way both non-smokers

and smokers will be happy is if we and our parents allow a smoking lounge or a closed off area for the smoker. Our bathrooms would be clean, and a student wouldn't have to worry about being thrown out of school for such a small thing as smoking. A lot of people would not hear of a smoking lounge in a high school today, but three years ago a lot of people wouldn't hear of girls and boys competing in the same sports. We passed equal rights for the sexes, now how about equal rights for smokers? Times have changed so let's change with them. In conclusion, I would like to add that I am a non-smoker.

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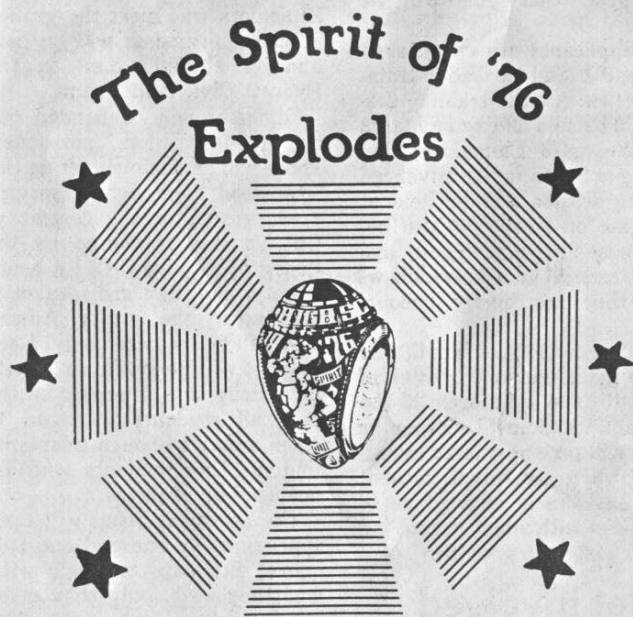
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Sports Comment

Baseball looks strong

by Mark Davis

The Royals 1976 Baseball team is looking forward to a successful season and hopefully will also be play-off bound.

This year's team will have one thing going for them, experience. Coach Kim Wilson feels that the team's strong points are its previously mentioned experience and team defense. Coach Wilson stated in an interview that "We have one of the strongest defensive outfields in the conference and our infield is very strong defensively."

Although there are only four returning lettermen in this year's squad there will be ample experience because the team will primarily be made up of seniors. Team depth will be an asset with much of last year's J.V. squad filling vacant spots left by graduated seniors. Of the thirteen of fourteen varsity positions Coach Wilson will not hesitate to use any of his men and all positions,

as of right now, are wide open. Of the four returning lettermen, two of them are now juniors. Butch Nance and Dale Foote and seniors Greg Bruns and this years Captain, Norm Walker.

Some weak spots on the team are that of pitcher and catcher. Coach Wilson feels that in order to have a real shot at the play-offs, he's going to have to find one more varsity hurler, with Tom Retallick and Walker being the only pitchers back from last year's squad. Hitting may be a question mark but if there is a lack of it much of it will be made up by great team speed.

Assistant coach Doug Openshaw said, "... it looks like he's got a fair bunch of sophomores to work with, but it's hard to tell until they get some actual playing time."

Good luck to the 1976 Royal baseball team and we hope you achieve your goal, the championship.

Outstanding performances shown in L.H.S. Fall and Winter sports

by Scott Leach

This, 1975-76, school year at Lynnwood High School has been quite successful for sports.

Although a few sports failed to gain winning records, many gained new heights in their history here at L.H.S. Football, coached by Mr. Kim Wilson, was a winning sport for Lynnwood this year. Past performances of L.H.S. football have contained effort, but the end result was usually "Negative" towards Royal football fans.

In this year alone football won more games than they have won in their whole career at L.H.S. With a Conference record of 5

wins and 3 losses the Royal's football team of 1975 finished 4th place in the WESCO conference. This year was the new height of the football team, which in past years found themselves low man on the totem pole.

Lynnwood High School is obviously a runner's school. In cross country, the runner's are blazing the trail and making a name for Lynnwood's track team. Although the cross country team did not fare as well this year as in 1974, when they captured the North West District crown they did have a winning season.

Basketball at L.H.S. is looking good behind the coaching of Mr. Bob Jacobs, the longhorn kid, and presently have a record of 8 wins and 9 losses all in all. Conference wise, the Royal netters are in sixth place with 6 wins and 7 losses.

Of course, L.H.S.'s pride still lies in wrestling. This year the team ended up in 3rd place in the WESCO Conference. The team, as a whole, finished the regular season with 8 wins and 4 losses.

As far as this spring looks, L.H.S. could be overwhelming

Wrestling takes fourth place

by Dean Hall

On Friday February the thirteenth, thirteen of Lynnwood's best wrestlers went to Mariner High School to compete in the Northwest District wrestling tournament.

It was not the best Lynnwood wrestlers have ever performed in a district tournament, but overall the team placed ninth out of 12 schools.

There were two individual champions. At the 158 pound weight class was Pat Conrad, and at the 168 pound weight class was Paul SanCazier. Both wrestlers are undefeated so far this season. Other placers were Paul Powers third place, at 190

pounds. Rob Wilburn third place, at 178 pounds. Keith Kubeck fourth, at 108 pounds. Ed Smith placed sixth at 122 pounds.

On Friday February 20th, the six wrestlers who placed in the Northwest District competed in the Region One Wrestling Tournament, held at Sammamish High School.

Keith Kubeck, Ed Smith, and Rob Wilburn did not fare well. By losing two of their first three matches, all three of them were out of competition by Saturday afternoon.

There were three outstanding performances for Lynnwood High School. Paul Powers pick-

ed up a fourth place at 190 pounds. He is one of the few in LHS history, to qualify for the state tournament, as a sophomore.

Taking second place at the 168 pound weight class, and suffering his first defeat of the season was Paul SanCazier. Losing by only one point to his opponent from Issaquah High School.

Coming from behind in the third round—to capture the 158 pound weight class championship was Pat Conrad. He defeated his opponent by a score of 4 to 7, to continue his undefeated season.

Overall Lynnwood High School placed 8th out of 23 other schools.

Intramural BB players, serious

by Matt Geisenhoff

Yelling, screaming, hollering, where is all of this noise coming from? One night a week, at 7:00, these shrieks and squabbling noises can be heard coming from the gymnasium at Lynnwood High School, as eight intramural basketball teams fight it off to become the 1975-76 Intramural

Basketball Champions.

The ability to move the ball up and down the court has put the Lynnwood C. C. Striders in the first place spot with a record of 11 wins and one loss. All of the players on this team are cross country runners so, of course, they are in good shape and can run the shorts off all of the other teams. Starters for the squad are Mike Stolp, Steve Jurich, Adrian Davis, Jerry Stolp, Tom Kershner, and the bench is occupied by Dean Hall, Bryon Krogstad, and Steve Scott.

The "Unbeatables" hustled in for second spot in the competition with players: Dave Deaning, Brad Davis, Mike Martin, Dave Draisley, and Doug Chivers. Finishing off the top three teams are the Acapolco Golds who are the defending champs of 1974-75. In the line-up for this team are

players Mark Davis, Ken Nickell, Dave Bergslei, Doug Stroud, Kirk Carlson, and Lars Hadland.

The teams this year are more serious about the games than the teams last year and one team, the C.C. Striders has asked Mark Olsen, a J.V. Basketball player, to help coach the team. Coach Olsen agreed and is now coming to every game helping the players out.

Every win peps the players tremendously, but every loss makes the players depressed the whole week. Nevertheless, they always bounce back to try for a win the next time.

Good season in store for softball

by Tammy Lien

This year the Royal Softball team should be very good. With most of last year's team returning, and many promising sophomores turning out, this year's team should be even better than last. Last year the girls placed 1st in the district and 3rd in WESCO. After a year's playing experience together the girls have a good chance to take first in Wesco.

With the help of their coach, Mr. Gale Filer, all in all the girls should have a great season.

Girls' Track runners working very hard

by Tammy Lien

March 1st starts turnout for spring sports. Girls' track is no exception. As of the first, the girls have been going through the grueling conditioning it takes to run track. Most of the time the girls have the same turnout as the guys.

The Royals should be pretty good this year with a lot of experienced runners returning, plus a lot of sophomores turning out. The first meet is against Woodway on March 18, at Edmonds stadium. Our team should hold up pretty good against the Warriors, with the girls being strongest in sprints. All of the girls should have a great season to make their coach, Mr. Goshorn, proud.

Rejects Win

For the first time in the history of L.H.S. intramural basketball, a sophomore team, the J.V. Rejects won the championship. On Monday March 1 the finals were played starting at 7 p.m. with the Cross Country Striders against the unbeatables for third and fourth place. With the Cross Country Striders winning 78-74 after a triple overtime in a closely played game. For first and second place it was J.V. Rejects beating the Acapolco Golds 62-52. The members of the J.V. Rejects are Mike Haugen, Mark Retallick, Keith McIntosh, Dave Glanville, Jeff Melinda, Dean Rotter, Brent Huffer, Jim Goff, Rob Bruns.



with sports victories. Tennis, baseball, soccer and track; all teams seem to have the returning personnel to make quite a difference in the Conference standing.

Overall Lynnwood did very well in the area of athletics this year and appears that they will be just as successful this spring.

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318 needs your help

by Carol Bono

Should 18-year-olds be legally considered adults in every way? This is the idea behind Initiative 318, the brainchild of Martin Ringhofer, a University of Washington graduate.

If the initiative is passed, it will have much deeper implications than 18-year-olds going out for a beer. Nearly 100 laws would be affected. For example, firemen and Metro bus drivers must be 21, although school bus drivers may be 18.

In King County, one must be 21 to run for an office, although one must only be a registered voter to run for a state office.

Eighteen-year-olds can work for the city of Seattle, but must wait until they are 24 to contribute to a pension plan.

The only trouble Mr. Ringhofer is having now is getting the petition printed. He must list all laws that would be changed, making it 47 pages long. It will cost between \$2,000 and \$2,500 to print.

Although this will be the longest, most expensive petition ever printed, he will not accept donations of over \$25 because he wants this to be a "people's issue."

Mr. Ringhofer hopes to have the petition printed by April, because it will take about three months to collect the 118,000 signatures needed to validate it.

If you wish to make a contribution to cover printing costs, either contact me or send it to: Martin Ringhofer, P.O. Box 30669, Seattle, Washington 98103

Australian girl visits America

by Betita Castro

When asked on the comparison of the United States to Australia, all she said was, "The American speaks funny."

Fiona Collander is 17 years old. She is an exchange student from Queensland, Australia on the Sunshine Coast. She has only been here for one month and will be here until next January. Rob Bishop's family is acting as her host.

Because she has already graduated, she doesn't have to worry about her credits, so she can sit back and take things easy while she is here. She also thinks that school work here is much easier than theirs. Our 12th grade work over here is as hard as their 10th grade work over there.

Fiona is planning on going to college in the fall. She also wants to tour the United States for 30 days with a friend.

Her interests are surfing on BIG waves, basketball, and going to the beach. She left 90° weather, for Washington rain. The coldest temperature over there is 75°.

Fiona is on the Lynnwood debate team and is doing quite well.

We hope that her visit in America is a fulfilling experience, and we also hope that she knows that the students at LHS warmly welcome her to our school.

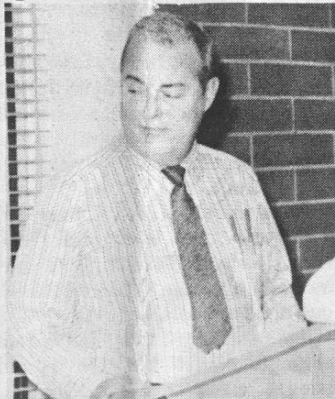
A very special person

by Mark Olsen

Who is the LHS Santa Claus? Who makes the best Chinese Barbecued Pork? Who fiddles around putting cars together during his spare time? And last but not least who is always the last teacher to turn in his grades. It is of course Mr. Ralph Wigington, an 11th grade English teacher.

Mr. Wigington is a very popular teacher around Lynnwood High School. He is a very strong believer in labor and hard work. He is very persistent in grades, and wants his students to work to their capability at all times. He shows a lot of dedication to his students, and he does a lot of unpublished work with no pay. He is at the school every Saturday to help students who need help and are willing to come.

Teachers have a lot of respect for Mr. Wigington not only because of his hard work and dedication to his students, but also because of willingness to help staff members. This respect is visible in that in the past three consecutive years he has been elected to the faculty cabinet to



represent all staff members and their concerns.

He has many interesting hobbies such as fiddling around with cars, and is an excellent cook. His favorite hobby is to watch sports, especially wrestling. He hardly ever misses a Lynnwood High wrestling match and he is our most avid fan.

As Mrs. Simpson describes Mr. Wigington, "He is very tenacious and has a lot of integrity, and is very much an individual." With these traits, it is not hard to see why so many people respect him.

Do you like hamsters?

by Lora Lavell

Would you like to live with a room full of hamsters? If you're curious to find out, ask senior Carlotta Lawson. Carlotta has been raising and selling hamsters to various stores the past two years.

Carlotta is paid \$2 for each hamster by stores which includes Wight's Nursery, Fred Meyer, and Pet Land. She mainly sells them to Fred Meyer. She averages around \$100 a year.

There are forty adult hamsters who have a room of their own. They are fed every day and their cages are cleaned every one or two weeks.

Each mother hamster has anywhere from five babies in a litter. It depends on the age of the hamster and the time of year. When the baby hamsters are around six weeks to two months they are sold to the stores.

If you ever want to know about hamsters just ask Carlotta.

Brian Shipman's future looking very promising

by Cindy Garber

At Lynnwood High School we have a lot of talented people who are possible pros at what they do. An example is a sophomore, Brian Shipman, who is an ice skater at heart.

Brian first became interested in ice skating about three years ago. But back then he wasn't very serious about it. Last August Brian started taking lessons. Now at age 16 Brian Shipman is working 3 1/2 hours daily on the ice.

Brian has two girls he works with. Marsha Hill is his partner for his dance routines. His little

sister Diane, an 11 year old, assists him in pairs. They compete almost once every 2 months in various competitions.

Although this all sounds fun and exciting, there are just a couple of small drawbacks, like the Highland Ice Arena. Brian's parents find themselves paying from three to four hundred dollars a month. Remember, this doesn't include the equipment Brian and his sister use. These drawbacks don't seem to disillusion the family. Because you see, Brian hopes that someday he'll be backing a class of ice skaters all by himself.

Lynnwood teachers a forgotten minority?

by Mike Karstetter

There is one group of people in this school who go virtually unrecognized. They are the teachers. In this edition of the paper we are going to take an in-depth look at a few of our teachers at L.H.S.

One of the teachers we are going to interview is Mr. Bob Jacobs. Mr. Jacobs was born in Bellingham and moved to the Lynnwood area in 1962 when his teaching contract was not renewed.

Mr. Jacobs went to Washington State College where he majored in Health, Physical Education, and Recreation. His degree enables him to teach any grade from kindergarten on up to seniors in high school. Mr. Jacobs has also taught at Mount Baker High School, which is a combination junior and senior high school, and he taught at Mountlake Terrace Senior High for eight years prior to him coming to L.H.S.

When we asked Mr. Jacobs what his reasons were for coming to teach at L.H.S., he replied, "The opportunity for a permanent instructing program in P.E., the offer of a head basketball coaching position, and to work for Mr. Karnofski, not necessarily in that order."

The thing that Mr. Jacobs likes best about L.H.S. is the students, their attitudes, individuality, and their abundance of spirit. "For the most part, they're fun to teach." If Mr. Jacobs could change one thing about L.H.S., it would be to put in a swimming pool, attached to the school, that is for both student and community use.

When Mr. Jacobs was in college he was quite active in sports. In his freshman year he was on the basketball and football teams. As a sophomore he was on the baseball team, and as a junior he joined track. As an active in sports as he was throughout college, Mr. Jacobs'

first interest was in coaching, but after he got out of school he became more interested in the field of P.E.

Mr. Jacobs has had quite a bit of experience in the coaching field. He coached for two years at Mount Baker High School where his first season's record as J.V. coach was 19-1. This team went on to be the state champions the next year. His second year of coaching at Baker was very close to his first year with a record of 18-2. He also coached at Western Washington State College for two years where he had two undefeated seasons of 15-0 each. His second year at WWSC the team won the Evergreen Conference championship and went to Kansas City to compete in the NAIA (National Association of Inner-collegiate Athletics) playoffs which consisted of 32 teams of small colleges. Mr. Jacobs' best season record as high school head coach has been this year.

When asked about his most favorable experiences, Mr. Jacobs explained, in the field of education, his best experience was coming to Lynnwood to teach and coach. In his personal life, his best experience was marrying Jeanne Chilton with whom he shares four children ages 21, 19, 15 and 12.

One of the most interesting things we discovered about Mr. Bob Jacobs during this interview is that one of his favorite hobbies is flying. He has done some flying in Europe and he has also done a bit of commercial flying in Canada. Any of you interested in flying might enjoy a conversation with Mr. Jacobs about some of his flying experiences.

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