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HOMECOMING

by Leanne Rider

On Saturday, September 6th the football season ended for Ralph Maldonado. It was the varsity's first scrimmaged game, held at Monta Vista High. Early in the game Maldonado took a hard hit to the side of his left knee which left him on the side line for the rest of the game.

Later that same night, Ralph underwent a three hour surgery to repair two torn ligaments and cartilage in his knee. For the next three days he just lay in a hospital bed watching T.V., changing the channel from one football game to another, knowing that he would probably never play football again.

When Ralph was asked what he felt about this setback, he said, "I was really looking forward to my third and last year on the varsity team, especially to play against teams like Wilcox, Mountain View and the homecoming game against Gunn. But most of all the all-star game. It's an odd feeling for me to watch the team play and I'm not able to get in there with them."

However, Ralph Maldonado does add that he was impressed with the halftime show. He had never seen one before.

As the team's star running back, Maldonado has succeeded in the past two years to break many records at Santa Clara High. Last year alone he rushed for 1,045 yards, tallying a total of 74 points, scoring 12 touchdowns. As a sophomore Ralph set his most memorable record by rushing for 241 yards in a single game.



An injury like Maldonado sustained usually takes a long time to come back from. After an uncomfortable month of wearing a heavy ankle to hip cast, he then gets to wear a surgical knee brace for a couple more months. During that time Ralph starts strenuous physical

therapy to get him moving again.

Once Maldonado gets back on his feet he is going to put 100% of his free time and energy into baseball. Ralph feels very confident that he will be able to finish off his senior year with a great baseball season.

Welcome to the first edition of the Santa Clara High School Times for the year 1986-87. This newspaper is dedicated to you, the student body of this school. We hope that any suggestions that you may have will be submitted to us. There will be a box in room E-6 to put any comments, suggestions, or letters to the editor that you may have.

First, I would like to thank the staff of the first issue for being so patient and helpful. Without their cooperation and hard work this issue probably would have not been a success.

I would also like to thank the Word Processing class for their terrific job of making sense out of all the information we threw at them. They really helped put all the mechanics together.

Last, and probably most important, I would like to thank Mr. Kornder for his role in the first issue. "Thank you so much for guiding us so that we could get on the right track."

Well enough with that. Okay Santa Clara, happy reading and keep an eye out for the next issue.

by Gloria Schae

Homecoming, the most unforgettable event at Santa Clara High. Every year classes put aside their differences and work together as a team, trying to make their floats the best! Last year the class of '87 won with strong competition from the sophomores. This year it will be close.

Homecoming week (Oct. 13-17) is the craziest week you'll ever have at school.

Making flowers, trying to find the other floats, and RAMBO MISSIONS take top priorities. Every day there are different outfits to wear. Monday will be RAMBO day, Tuesday-clash day, Wednesday Kindergarten day, Thursday-Hipple day, and then Friday Blue and Gold Day.

On Friday there will be a rally. Classes will compete against each other for prize money, plus for just the satisfaction of knowing which class is better spirited!! One of the competitions is going to be the traditional, Who Can yell the LOUDEST. For the past 2 years the class of '87 has won. There will also be a new competition, The Class Skit. Each class will perform a skit with a theme to a television show, movie, etc. The best skit wins money for their class.

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OPINION

PUBLIC EDUCATION:

THE PITS?



by Oliver Rosenblatt

For any student it seems easy to groan and gripe about being able to sleep in, having to do homework and things like that early in the school year, but my gripe and groans are more serious. Having been subjected to my many types of education in two countries, I can say the following: Public education in this country has four big problems.

One of the things that struck me during the first few weeks was the miserable quality of the textbooks. Not only are some so old that the ideas in them have long since become obsolete, but even the modern ones have glaring faults. I, for instance, have a history book that deals with the Vietnam war on four(!) pages, and does not mention the word Vietnam in the table of contents. Personally I think this is shocking. One does not come to terms with history that affects oneself by sweeping it off the table.

Another major problem is the lack of funds available to public education today. One constantly hears from one's teachers: "We wanted to buy a new set of books this year, but we only had enough for half a set." When the state starts scripping on money for textbooks, it really has problems. But that's just one of the problems a legislator has to face when cutting money to education, and investing billions in contra old and nuclear missiles.

This problem is aggravated by the tenuousness of school administrations. The average school (1200 Students) has one principal, one vice-principal, four counselors, five office staff, five janitors, and numerous other officials. At a school of about the same size in West Germany, one has one principal, who also teaches part-time, one vice-principal, who is a full-time teacher, two counselors who are both full-time teachers, one secretary, and one janitor. That is less than half of the average American school staff, and yet they get the same job done in half the time. So, by having to pay enormous school staffs, we must divert money from other educational fields that need it.

The third major problem is America's provincialism. Americans see themselves as the navel of the world, and everything else has no relevance in daily life. In teaching about other countries and their culture, leading students to question American values is condemned by some leading politicians as being "anti-American," and therefore dangerous. As one Colorado school board official explained, "America should always be presented as the best, and in global education they don't always do that." Another way of identifying tunnel vision is by looking at the foreign language departments of American schools. Many languages are disappearing from the curriculum, due to lack of

interest. . . not taking foreign languages, the American people are causing problems for themselves in business and diplomacy in foreign countries.

The lack of better education has some connection to the general lack of teacher quality. This problem has several causes. First, the teachers of the United States aren't always educated sufficiently, and are often sent out into the business without enough experience and/or without proper teaching techniques (pedagogy). My general experience in Germany was that the teachers were much better educated, and a broader view of their field, and strived to teach the students to think critically.

Secondly, the teaching profession is not highly valued in our society; therefore, the pay is low, as is the prestige. This is quite a shame, when one realizes that the teacher is the only person besides parents (and TV(!)) who is in the position to form the generation that will take control of America in the future.

Is public education the pits? It almost seems so. People are less and less prepared to take their role as citizens of the world. But what can YOU do about it? The schools apparently aren't helping enough. (Even though I personally know teachers that make an honest effort to educate their students.) You can challenge yourself, and inform yourself. . . other suggestions? Think about it!

We Aren't The World

RATE YOUR TEACHER

by Eric Tsuchimoto

The results are in for our first annual "Rate Your Teachers' Survey." Through the combined responses of approximately 50 ballots, a verdict was arrived at in each of the fourteen categories. In most of the categories a clear winner was determined; however, there was the event of a few ties and in a couple of cases just too many different responses to deduce a winner.

The results are as follows:

ABSOLUTE COOLEST:

Mr. Borror

CRAZIEST:

Mr. Stuefoten

NICEST:

Mr. Criger/Mr. Borror

MEANEST:

Too Many

FUNNIEST:

Mr. Stuefoten/
Mr. Giles/Mr. Amaral

BEST LOOKING:

Mr. Sanchez

SMARTEST:

Mr. McFarland

MOST FASHIONABLE:

Mr. Sanchez

MOST HOMEWORK FROM:

Mr. McFarland/
Mr. Ardenz

MOST TALKATIVE:

Mr. Amaral

EASIEST:

Mrs. Smith

HARDEST:

Mr. McFarland

MAKES YOU FALL ASLEEP:

Too many

BEST BODY:

Mr. Sanchez

THANKS TO YOU:

Mr. Sanchez

Thanks once again to those of you who participated and I hope that none of the teachers are offended. (A majority of the responses were made by Seniors mainly because they know the most teachers. This, of course, being aside from the fact that they are the most educated and intelligent of the student body.)



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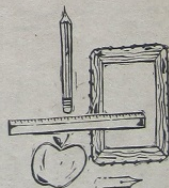
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If you are interested in joining our staff please see Mr. Kornder, or just attend one of our meetings. We always need more help, and your participation is welcomed.

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WHAT'S IN AND OUT

by Tonya Matchnik
Heather Brazelton

IN:

Clothes- T-shirts (striped & plain), holey jeans and holey sweats, blue jean jackets (faded & rough), sweats, long shorts, turtle necks, anklets, shell jewelry, tennis shoes (high tops, lace-up vans, and keds type), down jackets, sweat shirts, & thongs.

Looks- Straight hair with a braid, crimped hair-**BLONDE** (have you noticed how many people have dyed their hair over the summer?). Less make-up, more of a natural look. Well defined bodies (healthy & muscular), straight teeth, dreads.

Music- Reggae, Beatles, Activities and Misc.- Surfing, skating, beach, skiing, snow boarding, SANTA CRUZ, risk, partying, VW Bugs, convertibles, black cats.

OUT:

Clothes- stirrup pants in any color but black. Pastels, flowery prints, layers- v-neck sweaters with belts, wearing pumps day in and day out. Plastic beads/bracelets and other drug store jewelry, and hair clips.

Looks- Feathered hair and curls, curls, curls! Slathered-on make-up, heavy foundation, loads of blue eyeshadow (or any other color!).

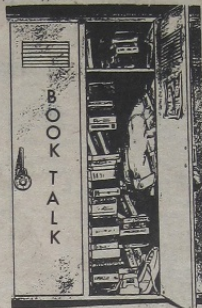
Music- Soul is fading, breaking and popping is out! Definitely OUT!

Activities and Misc- Hanging out at shopping malls, smoking cigarettes, cautiousness, wallflowers, low riders, bulging muscles, and small dogs!

Signed the extremely cool.....



Are you selling your car, or trying to buy a new stereo? If so, please send your want ads or classifieds to the student newspaper. In the next issue we are going to include a section for just classified ads. Please be sure to drop them by room E-6, or give them to Holly Fleming. Thank you for your support.



Here are some hot tips for this year from the SC Library.

ADVANCED SKATEBOARDING

Want to flip it off? Carve the banks? Go Boinking? With tips from the pros you can learn the techniques and tricks of park skateboarding: rad riding, the drop-in, the roll-out, the roll-back, a 360 fakie, the powerslide, and such aerials as kick-flip bunny hop, one wheeler, tandem kick turn, high jumping, barrel jumping, and much, much more.

HOW TO GET OFF DRUGS; EVERYTHING YOU SHOULD KNOW TO HELP SOMEONE YOU LOVE GET OFF-AND STAY OFF-DRUGS

This book, by the editors of Rolling Stone magazine, is not another book about drug use. It doesn't dwell on crime, the horrors of addiction, or how drugs are destroying schools, families, and the fabric of American life. It is a book for drug users. Mostly it's a book for people who are thinking about quitting. If you have already tried and failed, or gotten off drugs and found yourself unable to stay off, or even if you still believe you can stop whenever you choose, then this book is for you.

More next issue!



horoscope



by Erica Crews

LIBRA
(Sept. 23 to Oct. 23)

Your putting yourself in your enemy's shoes. But this gives you a great advantage in settling a quarrel-but for some reason you hate confrontations. To others, your handsome, refined, social & perhaps an object of envy. Ask yourself, "Bend over backwards to make peace?" NO! "Discuss it with other people?" NO! Discuss it head-on-you are a charming diplomat.

SCORPIO
(Oct. 24 to Nov. 22)

When a person hurts you, you settle, but you rarely lose control or let it show. Fantasies of revenge spring into your mind. USE THEM! Can you imagine, turning your persecutors into awful things; let your mind run-riot. BUT WAIT! Don't act yet, keep postponing the day. People like them eventually get all they deserve. Be patient, kick down, give it some time....you'll see.



NIGHT SPOTS

by Lisa Ichings

Why travel all the way to San Francisco just to dance? Chances are, you'll have to head home (in time for curfew) before the first blister forms (which, of course, is the mark of a true clubber.) So next time, put on those dancing shoes and get more wear & tear out of 'em by heading to one of the local clubs listed below.

TOP 40

1. The Attic- 4750 Almaden Expy., San Jose
264-5792 Tue-Thur.
2. Black Angus- 740 E. El Camino Real, Sunnyvale
245-4501 Tues.-Thur. 9 pm-2 am. Video background
3. Boccassio's- 1015 Town and Country Village, San Jose
247-9600 Wed-Sun. Top 40 & Soul.
4. Celaxay's- 1105 El Camino Real, Sunnyvale
245-CALA Seven nights a week, 9pm-2am.
5. Faces- 685 E. El Camino Real, Sunnyvale
749-1288 Seven nights a week, 9pm-2am.
6. Moullhan's Old Place- 19624 Stevens Creek Blvd., Cupertino-725-0515 seven nights a week, and video background
7. Studio 47- 47 Notre Dame Ave., San Jose
279-3387 Thur-Sat. 9pm-1:30am.
8. Visions- Lincoln Ave., San Jose
288-6464 seven nights a week, 9pm-2am.



FOOTBALL '86

by Laurie Patten

Don't make plans for the next several Friday nights because yes, you guessed it, the SANTA CLARA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM is back and "ready to be rowdy" stated by this year's first team captain Edward "Egon" White at our most recent rally.

Our team is definitely striving for a winning season, perhaps even acquiring the first league title in 26 years.

Last year our team was very close and we only missed the title by one point.

So our team is more determined than ever to show us, their true fans, their true colors.

With the recent loss of third year running back, Ralph Maldonado, and a number of other injuries, the team has pulled tighter together to work around these setbacks.

The other old "vets" are back and definitely ready for action. Accompanying the veterans are the power hungry rookies that show definite promise for this season.

The team prides themselves this year on strong defense, speed, agility, and a tough offensive line. Of course our dashing Quarter back, Christopher Oswald is back and ready to lead our team to victory with the help of coaches, Mr. Holmen, Mr. Moss, and Mr. Hayashi.



Out on the actual practice field I had the privilege of viewing the healthier looking team and even conversing with some of the more extroverted players. I read true spirit, pride and strength in all of the familiar faces that I've come to know over the years.

If perhaps you do visit one of the games you won't be able to miss the spirit and back-up of the devoted fans to our deserving football players. In fact, you may notice this dedication before you even think to look at the scoreboard. Spirit Commissioner La Donna Silva has declared that "the fans are already out of control." According to most fans, "Support is the name of the game."

Junior Varsity games begin at 5:15 p.m. and Varsity games begin at 7:30, but the excitement lasts all evening.

FOOTBALL
UPDATE

Congratulations to the SC football team for their victory over Del Mar last weekend. First half for the fearless Bruins was quite depressing with the score of 9-2, Del Mar's favor, but after a quick motivational speech from the coach SC went in and took over, winning with the final score of 16-9.

Varsity Quarterback, Chris Oswald took a painful blow to the ribs, and was briefly taken out of the game. After gathering his courage, he shook it off the lead the Bruins to victory. That's the fighting spirit.

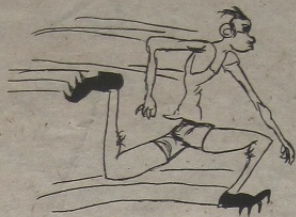
Junior Varsity also won Del Mar with a score of 16-8. They really are doing great, keep it up SC.

This weekend there is no game but next Thursday and Friday JV and Varsity play on Mountain View turf. Good Luck Guys!

SANTA CLARA HIGH SCHOOL
FOOTBALL SCHEDULE 1986-87

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TEAM	TIME
SEP 26	Del Mar	Townsend	JV-V	9:15/7:30
Oct 9	Mtn. View	Mtn. View	JV	5:15
Oct 10	Mtn. View	Mtn. View	V	5:15
Oct 17	Gunn	Townsend	JV-V	5:15-7:30
Oct 23	Milpitas	Milpitas	JV	5:15
Oct 24	Milpitas	Milpitas	V	5:15
Oct 31	Wilcox	Wilcox	JV-V	5:15-7:30
Nov 7	Los Altos	Townsend	JV-V	5:15-7:30
Nov 14	Palo Alto	Townsend	JV-V	5:15-7:30

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GIRL'S TENNIS

by Len Truong

Girl's tennis is one word-FUN. It may not be EXCELLENT or DOMINANT. However, if their skill matched their enthusiasm, they could be unbeatable.

Ms. Sherri Holand, their tennis coach, has helped sharpen their skills by devoting time to showing them articles and movies, not to mention organizing numerous practice matches, dragging out the ball machine, and demonstrating various tennis tips.

The tennis team itself is made up of players of all skill levels. Notable are juniors: Spera Marcu and Martina Hincir,



number one and two varsity singles, respectively. All other positions could change quickly, which is not to say that the above-mentioned two are not invulnerable to certain players from below.

The last two seasons of girl's tennis have been losing ones, in a sense. To most of them it's been great, terrific, and fun. What did they lose?

This season is more promising, with the addition of sophomores, and a troop of experienced juniors and seniors. We hope to upset a big-shot team like Los Altos.

CROSS COUNTRY

by Nick Haard

The 1986 Santa Clara Cross Country Team is off to a good start. Their team captain this year, senior Phil Halley, a strong and dedicated runner, has done a good job of standing up when needed for long-time coach Mr. Tim Goode.

Their first meet is scheduled for Monday, September 22. Between now and then they hope to acquire new members. Four new members have already joined, bringing the total to 12. The team needs more, especially girls.

For those of you who are unsure of what cross country is, Tim explains. Cross country is "distance" running. They run courses that vary from approximately two to three miles. These courses are located primarily at schools and parks. (So, you do not have to run around the track 12 times.)

Some cross country courses include hills, some are flat. Their meets are basically like track meets. In most meets, they compete against a few other schools. In other meets, they compete against up to twenty-five other schools. These are called the Invitational and Regional meets. In order to compete as a team, (boys and girls teams are separate) there must be five members running in the race. You don't have to be a good runner or want to make a career out of running to come out for cross country. Maybe you just want to be a part of a team, lose some weight, or get in shape for another sport.

If you do come out for cross-country, don't be disappointed. Our team doesn't have pep rallies or even many spectators, and if you ever see a cheerleader jumping around at one of our meets, sit down immediately because you are hallucinating.

If you are interested in joining the team see Coach Goode, Team Captain Phil Halley, or come out to the track at about 3:15 any day after school.

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VOLLEYBALL

by Lan Truong

Look for our Varsity team to surpass last year's 2-4 record. This year, they have a new coach, the highly experienced Ms. Sue Miller. With enough time and practice, she could take the deficit to near heights.

This year, we have two returning varsity players- Leanne Rider, and Sue Buchser, both seniors and left outside hitters. Juniors Erica Krause and Michelle Johnson are the right outside hitters. The three setters are seniors Monica Ponce, Donna Bandiera, and junior Rosie Castro. The only sophomore is middle blocker Nicole Calaric.

Though Santa Clara High has not been very successful growing many volleyball players, they are all very quick and reflexive.

Their goal is to be confederates with Mountain View and Los Altos in the SCVAL PLAYOFFS.

And what of Wilcox? Says Leanne Rider, "Last year, we lost five, very tight games. We hope to kill them this year." (You really don't have to go that far. A sound whipping will do just fine.)

I think the future of the Varsity team is best summarized in the over-wise words of Leanne Rider.

"As the season rolls on, the team will progress and pull together as a unit to go on to many victories."



NO FUN FOR RUN
by Jacquie Costello

RUN DMC is one of today's popular youth groups. This rap band has been rising up through the music charts. They have recently produced a new album titled *Raising Hell*, and are now promoting this album through a tour of the United States. During their stop in Long Beach, two gangs which were present began "Raising Hell." This created bad media for RUN DMC. The atmosphere of their music has been blamed for this conflict. A future tour date was cancelled by a city council in Connecticut to review the facts created around this mishap. Let's hope all works out well for RUN DMC, or we'll be *allin*!!



The game against the Gunn Titans will be played at Townsend Field on Oct. 17. Junior Varsity will begin at 5:15, and Varsity at 7:30. In between these two games the Homecoming King and Queen will be announced. The floats that won will also be announced. Then the King and Queen, along with the rest of the court will ride

around the track in convertible Thunderbirds. After all this, the varsity game will begin.

Gunn is one of the least successful teams in the league. Our team should have no problem destroying the Titans.

After the game there will be a dance to celebrate our victory at Santa Clara High.

All in all, this year's homecoming looks like it will be one of the best Santa Clara High has ever seen. We should all be getting involved, and helping your class.

Remember, it is all the classes put together that makes Santa Clara High what it is!!!!

CLUB
DRAMA

by Lisa Ichinaga

Two students talking:

"What exactly goes on in the Drama Club?"

"Oh, you know, they do school plays and stuff."

"How many?"

"There were two last year."

"So, they spend the whole year rehearsing for those two plays?"

"Well, um...yeah, I guess."

People are confused as to what actually goes on in the Drama Club. Yes, the members do star in school plays (there's no rule that says you have to be in the club to audition for the play. There's also no rule you have to be in a play if you are a member of the Drama Club.) So, what are the rules? The first, is to have fun! Being in the Drama Club is a great opportunity to make friends with a common interest.

The Drama Club, under the leadership of President Jeff Stalman and Vice President Anahita Forati, has many plans. Not only will you get a chance to act in plays but there are also plans to see theatrical performances.

The first major club plan is for one of the members to take part in the Coast Forensic League. Students from different schools compete in different categories ranging from Original Oratory to Humorous Interpretation.

The Drama Club has a membership of about 35. There are a surprising number of tenth graders in the club (surprising to me, because I didn't have the guts to join last year.) More guys are needed, however, to fill male roles in the fall play. If you are interested, please contact Mr. John Kiely in room B-8 for more details, or just drop by one of the meetings.



WILDERNESS
ADVENTURERS CLUB
10th ANNIVERSARY
by Anahita Forati
and Spera Marcu

This year the Wilderness Adventurers Club celebrates its 10th Anniversary.

Founded in 1976 here at Santa Clara High by Jerry Stueffloten and Dennis Dowling, the club has organized a variety of exciting activities over the years for its members.

The club has had its good and bad experiences. They may not always be in harmony with nature. Hiking in the rain, sailing in a storm or camping in a gale force wind has never stopped the members from enjoying themselves, making new friends and learning about themselves and the wonderful things that surround them.

Houseboating on the Delta, dayhikes to Point Lobos, backpacking in Point Reyes or snow shoeing in Yosemite are just a few activities which lead to our purpose of experiencing adventures in the wilderness.

Last year the W.A.C. was the most popular club on campus with a membership of over 100 students. This year we hope to have even more members who will enjoy the great variety of activities we have to offer.

Our first field trip will be the houseboating trip on the Delta (Oct. 31-Nov. 2) where we will have a Halloween pot-luck and we will enjoy the beautiful scenery the Delta has to offer.

WAC in snow



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The cheerleaders, lettergirls, and song-girls will each perform a new dance or cheer. The song-girls are doing their dance to RUN DMC's, Walk This Way. The Homecoming court will be introduced along with their escorts. Then the football coach will introduce the players and say a few encouraging words about our big game against Gunn.

SPIRIT

by Tasha Souza



EDDIE

by Holly Fleming

ASB-President Eddie Barnes is too busy, to keep still for very long, but as soon as we finally sat him down we got a chance to get an objective view of what he had planned for SC this year.

Along with the help of senior class President, Joe St. John and V.P. Andy Krakowski, they are already planning for a successful trip to Hawaii for the senior class and are working on making some pretty serious decisions on the Prow. They have looked at the Marriott Hotel as a prime possibility for the formal event of the year, but the final decision is still undecided.

Eddie was pretty excited about this year, he says the school spirit is great but the Sophomores need to become a little more involved. He is definite that "All will come in time."

Mr. Barnes idea of the perfect school is one with "few cliques" and most importantly "unity as one." A family of friends that works together not only with homework but teams and clubs, getting along and showing everyone what SC is all about.

Eddie's words to the student body are simple but complete:

"Good luck in 1986-87. Make it the best ever and I urge you to become involved in school. It's not only a place to work but a place to live."



We all know that Santa Clara High is greatly spirited. Even though we were defeated at our first game, the crowd was still uncontrollably full of spirit. Everyone at our school needs to get involved in school activities, especially sophomores. We need to be united as the S.C. Bruins and not as the classes of 87, 88, and 89. The Class of 88 is trying very hard at beating out 87 in spirit. That's good that they can have that drive and determination, but the important factor is that we be united as one and work at spirit together. Of course it's fun to compete in rallies and floats but let's not take it too far.

To enhance our school spirit, Santa Clara High is having our traditional "Spirit Week" which starts during homecoming. Among other things this gives us students a chance to get involved. We also might be holding our 1st Annual Ms. Santa Clara Pageant for "men." This is a pageant where the male students

SOPH-AIDE



by Bonnie Fields

The Soph Aide is a group of juniors and seniors who act as sophomore aides. These people are from student council and the Spirit commission and they are assigned to 12 sophomores a piece.

These aides take the sophomores to the cafeteria and introduce them. They answer questions the sophomores have about our school, clubs, sports, and anything else they want to know.

Instead of asking other sophomores who don't know, this group gives new students someone they can refer to, someone who will understand and explain to them their questions.

The aides are really helpful and dependable. If a sophomore has a question the aide could not answer, he will find out the answer and let him know.

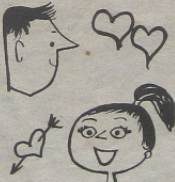
The welcome team has worked well so far, and I'm sure it will keep on working. Good luck, Sophomores!

from Santa Clara High dressed as women, compete in dress and swimwear. There, contestants and the winners picture will be in the yearbook. Guys, lets all get involved and try to take home that crown. It's open for all classes: 89, 88, and 87.

There are many activities, sports, and clubs to get involved in. Remember more involvement makes more school spirit. You only have 2 years left if you're a sophomore, one year if you're a junior, and seniors it's your last year, so remember everyone, school spirit and pride is what makes our school as great as it is.



Is there a special someone in your life that you want to dedicate a song to? Just put your dedication on a piece of paper and drop it off in room E-6. In the next issue, if your dedication is picked it will be in the newspaper for your sweetheart or friend to read and enjoy.



EXPECTATIONS



by Linda Courto

Every September students and Faculty both have many expectations for the new school year. Better grades? A date to the prom? I interviewed several students and two administrators. I asked them what they expect from the 86-87 school year. This is what they replied:

Seniors

Robyn DeRosa- "A great year for the class of 87. For all seniors to graduate."

Jaime Ocampo- "To get back at all the phony girls at school." "They know who they are."

Juniors

Kristy Johnston- "For this year to go by fast, but not so fast that we forget all the great times."

Anthony Butler- "More school unity. Better school spirit and for sophomores to feel comfortable."

Sophomores

Denise Hamm- "A fun memorable year."

David Penney- "A varsity block letter."

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Mr. Flore - "For S.C. to have one of its best years. Great school spirit. A great representation by our teams, and a friendly co-operative campus."

Mr. Pastorini - "A positive attitude towards school. For S.C. to have a productive school year."

Although there are differences in opinion, everyone I interviewed mentioned that this school year began with great school spirit. Have a great year Santa Clara.



MR. SOUZA

by Jeff Stalman

Hey guys, guess what? Everyone's favorite Hawaiian English teacher has moved back to Santa Clara. That's right, Mr. Souza is back after a five-year stint at Buchser Jr. High. He teaches literature and composition, to all grades, so if you talk to your counselor now, you might get into one of his classes for the second semester.

Mr. Souza, who will be best remembered by many of his students for the film of his dogs and his Gremlin puppets, (ask him real nice and maybe you can get him to show the film, even though he says he won't) says that he has received a warm reception from both faculty and students, especially students to whom he taught English at Buchser. He says that he really prefers the atmosphere of Santa Clara High, what with the students being more mature and well-behaved.

Believe it or not, Mr. Souza has been teaching English for 21 years, although you wouldn't guess it, because he jogs daily. When asked what he thinks of the English program at Santa Clara he thinks it is really pretty good, but he thinks that maybe a little more practice in oral reading would be good. Welcome him back folks, your friend and mine.....MR. SOUZA!!!



FRANCE

by Anshita Forati

Santa Clara High has been fortunate to have one of its very good French teachers chosen to go to France on the Teacher Exchange program. Mrs. Dawson has spent the last year of 85-86 in France and has experienced and learned a lot from the people of France. To satisfy the curiosity of some people, I asked a few questions to help broaden our view of France and its people.

Q: How did you feel about the French people?

A: "We found the French in Nancy (North Eastern France) to be extremely hospitable, warm and friendly, contrary to their reputation, we got to know our neighbors, the people, and a tour of respective schools, and even the local merchants quite well. It's said that the French are very reluctant to open up their homes to

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others and especially to "foreigners", but we didn't find this to be true. We were invited into homes and taken on sightseeing trips all of the time.

We formed many close, I hope lasting friendships. I was surprised to receive as many as 10 invitations to spend Christmas with French friends. My children think the French are the friendliest people they've ever met. They were "celebrities" at their French School because they were "les Americans". I do think the fact that we spoke French helped alot.

Q: Are the people as fashionable and Romantic as Americans think?

A: I think the first "stereotype" is probably valid. Nancy is a fairly big town (25,000 people) and the city dwellers were for the most part very stylish and concerned with fashion. However, my students dressed comfortably--you know, jeans, sweatshirts (with U.S. university names on them). Romantic? My French students laughed when I told them this was one of the stereotypes Americans had of the French! Of course, open displays of affection are more common there.

I don't know about "romantic", but I can testify to "charming". I think the language itself and the importance of "politeness" has alot to do with our image of the French, a "romantic".

Q: How were the tourist attractions?

A: I tried to show my children my favorite area of France and of course that included Paris. We spent a week there before going to Nancy and went back 7 times during the year. For them, going to the top of the Eiffel Tower was a must. We saw almost all of the monuments in Paris and my children loved the churches, Sacre' Coeur, Notre Dame, La Madeleine. We strolled down the Champs Elysees, stood under the Arc de Triomphe, saw the Mona Lisa at school, and were truly fascinated by the "Real Thing" even though it meant having to look at what they called all those "disgusting" statues and paintings (in the nude) on our way. (We sub-

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sequently had a little talk about them).

Q: In what way has your experience in France changed you?

A: Well, as Mr. Flore pointed out, I came home "skinrier", I'm still not thin by standard, but 25 pounds lighter than when I left. One of my students told me I was a lot younger before I left. I suppose this means the experience aged me! I realize too that I have raised my expectations of my students who are as capable as the hard-working and well organized student in France whose schedules are much heavier, yet they still find time to read for pleasure. I'm delighted to see the reading program here at Santa Clara High. I hope it instills a real love of reading especially in the reluctant readers. I hope I've learned some skills in teaching advanced F.L., that I can apply here. I'm glad to be back to the enthusiasm and the smiling faces. Every French student who had already had 6 years of English was a bit "glum" in comparison! Making learning "fun" was not a goal in most French classrooms and was sometimes viewed as frivolous! However, I didn't give up and most of my classes had favorable results. I hope the "fun" is still here too for those who want to learn French but now I know what students can do if they put their minds to it!! and learn the skills necessary to do it!!

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