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## N.O.W. MORE THAN EVER

One year ago, if someone had told me that I would get up at 6:30 in the morning to ramble, rather sleepily, over to Princeton then onward to the onslaught of a possible gas shortage, bad directions, and to the stampede of women just to attend a Women's Liberation Conference, I would've said, "No way, babe!"

But, there I was, heading up to Douglas College on that cold, cloudy, Saturday morning of September 22. Myra (my N.O.W. friend) kept muttering to herself about the bad directions while Susan was doing some unbelievable stunts with her little Volvo.

When we finally arrived on campus, we were shocked. There were women everywhere! All types, young and old, black and white. It was totally unbelievable. "So this is a Women's Liberation meeting!" I thought to myself. Women from all over the state had congregated at Voorhees Chapel for the Fourth Annual Meeting that the New Jersey Chapter of the National Organization For Women (N.O.W.) was sponsoring.

Upon registering, we were given a large folder of information concerning N.O.W. and its aims and goals accomplished within the women's movement. Voorhees Chapel was so mobbed that we decided to go outside and see what was happening. I was immediately initiated into the group. Myra had gotten me to go over and get a steaming hot cup of coffee with hardly any sugar or milk. I won't describe how it tasted, but it was either drink it or freeze. So, after suffering through that ordeal, we headed back to the Chapel to hear Wilma Scott Heide (the national president of N.O.W.) give us a really beautiful speech.

After Ms. Heide had finished we all proceeded to Hickman Hall for the morning workshops which were one hour long.

My first workshop was "Sexuality" sponsored by Ms. Sidney Abbot (a Manhattan National N.O.W. Task Force Leader). Some people say Hamilton's classes are over-crowded, this room was literally, wall-to-wall people. There were many different subjects discussed during that hour, but the highlight of my morning was having a two-hour lunch with Ms. Abbot, discussing her new book and the movement in general.

Sidney had to leave us (she was headed back to Manhattan for a neighborhood softball game with Gloria Steinem) so we went to the Feminist Boutique. A sister liberationist would've had herself a time with the many posters, books, and jewelry for sale.

Upstairs, Flo Kennedy, a black feminist lawyer spoke to the women. The applause was so overwhelming, I could feel the vibration downstairs.

By then it was time to go to Myra's workshop on rape. The afternoon sessions were two hours long. I sat in a room and listened to women who openly talked about their "attacks". Rape is such a horrifying subject. Male chauvinism is one thing, but that was disgusting and very emotionally upsetting.

Some of the other workshops happening were Abortion, Feminist Philosophy, Women and Sports(yea, Billie Jean!), Lesbianism, and Feminist Theater.

The whole day was one that I will always remember. The sisters that I met, were beautiful and the togetherness and love were so moving. I realized that I had better get used to that 6:30 wake-up because it'll be something I'll be doing for N.O.W. on!

## HORNET BAND CAMP "73-74"

Band members running laps before breakfast? Doing endless numbers of jumping jacks and pushups for motivation? Staying up all night and trying to sneak out? Girls chasing the guys on the St. James football team? Great food-UGH!

Yes this all took place at the annual pre-school band camp for our Hornet Marching Band at Camp Green Lane, Pa. During this time our band members worked hard at learning the marching techniques and preparing half-time shows for the coming football season. This year's group of 85 students is the largest in Hamilton's history and Mr. Reckterwald has introduced a new drum and bugle corps format for this year's shows.

The facilities at Camp Green Lane include several football fields, a large lake for boating, an amphitheatre and a large, refreshing swimming pool which was really useful with the hot weather we had this year.

This type of experience allows our marching band to make advance preparations as well as an opportunity for the new sophomores to become acquainted with upperclassmen band members.

A strong band sense of spirit and pride are also the result of this annual experience. The Hornet Band is the only one in this area to participate in this type of pre-school program.

## NEW ARRIVALS

Another year at Hamilton High West begins, and just like every other September, we have new students, new books, new rules, and last but not least, new teachers. The Criterion would like to welcome the following teachers to the faculty:

The English department has two new additions, Mrs. Chojnacki from St. Joseph's College in Maryland and Mr. Kerekes from Rider. Our new History instructors are Mrs. Varone, Rider; Mr. Thomas Dennery, Michigan State; Mrs. Nugent, Trenton State; Mr. Keller, Boston University; and Mr. Bender from Rider. Mr. Straszewski of Trenton State is new to graphic arts. Mrs. Brazo teaches Home Economics, and she's from Michigan State University. Mr. Uzwpiis, also from Trenton State, is new to our D.E. department. Mr. Collins from Alderson Broaddu in West Virginia is a new member of the music department.

## REVIEWER- "PAPER MOON"

As P.T. Barnum put it, "There's a sucker born every minute." And truer words were never spoken as delightfully displayed in the Director's Company Presentation of Paper Moon. Produced by the same man who gave us The Last Picture Show, Peter Bogdanovich has successfully completed a combination of nostalgic charm and a profound story to give us another smash motion picture. The Paramount Release stars Ryan O'Neal as Mose and his nine-year-old daughter Tatum as Addie. Besides the theme song "Paper Moon", the movie is sparked with other crooning goodies while set in the Midwest in or around the time of the Depression. The story is filmed in black and white. As the show begins, we see Addie's mother has just died leaving Addie alone with nowhere to go except an Aunt's in another town. Mose, having stopped at the funeral on one of his escapades, offers to take Addie to the train station. However, on the way, he becomes involved in a money making scheme which Addie overhears. From then on, the story moves at a fast pace, as they travel together pulling off some of the most hilarious con-jobs imaginable. The story rises to a tear-jerking climax, but to tell more would only spoil the value of a truly moving and profound story.

## LIB. GETS NEW PRINTER

There have been some changes in our school library this year! The Audio-Visual Department moved out of the magazine room. We have also acquired a new micro-reading printer which will be available to students. This printer will take pictures from a micro-film of the New York Times. Also, there are approximately 2,000 new books added to our library. The library is located on the second floor by the home economics room.

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# WHAT'S LIMA LIKE?

"What's Lima like? Imagine a city filled with old Spanish architecture, customs, and ideas along with modern skyscrapers, discoteques, and American ideas in between and you have Lima," said Tim Scerba, a junior, who just returned from a summer in South America as an exchange student.

While in Peru, Tim visited many different and interesting places. Among them were Cuzco and Macchu Picchu, capital and lost city of the old Incan Empire, which are 13,000 ft. in the Peruvian Andes. He also visited Arequipa, Peru's second largest city, during its anniversary celebration that featured excellent food, fireworks, dancing, and parades. On a side trip with some friends, he visited Chile only one week before the government was overthrown. "We knew something had to happen when we saw the black market value of the US dollar triple within 24 hours, all the stores striking, and propaganda slogans plastered all over the place."

In comparison with our own HHW, Tim's private school in Lima is like a country one-room schoolhouse. His senior class had about 25 students, and instead of the students changing classes as in America, the teachers go from class to class. The school was very strict and discipline was heavily stressed. For example, all students have a Libreta de Deberes in which the teachers record each student's daily behavior and grades, and at the end of each week, the parents sign the book.

Life in Lima is almost unbelievable, according to Tim. Along with good Ol' American hot dogs, hamburgers and french fries are all the American first run movies, in English, for only about 40¢ each. And of course, there's Sears and Roebucks. Getting around Lima wasn't any problem for him either because for about 5¢ one can go from one end of town to the other in a "Colectivo". Discoteques, nightclubs, and of course, Spanish fiestas, along with just riding around the city and stopping for anticuchos (Peruvian shish-kabobs made out of beef heart) once in a while make up the night life. He concluded by saying that

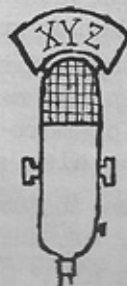
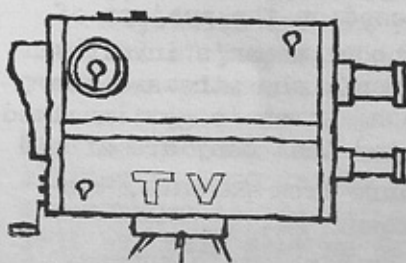
with all that going on, if a Limeno comes in before 2 AM on a weekend, he is said to have had a really boring evening.

## NEW T.V. SHOWS

Every year, about 15 new television shows hit the screen with the hopes of making "Gunsmoke's" lifespan seem like that of an amoeba. This year is no exception. Most of the new programs have fallen into either the current fad of police-detective series or the popular comedy which, like "All in the Family", depicts the American family in its true form.

### "NEW PERRY MASON"

First off, I have to say that, in all fairness, I feel no other actor will ever be Perry Mason except Raymond Burr. This new takeoff on the old series leaves something to be desired. The story plots are stereotyped. After a 5th year of detective story revivals, I guess it's kind of hard to be original. After seeing the 50's Perry Mason reruns for so many years, I can't fairly judge the show since subconsciously I compare it to the old show. The new program features the regular characters of Della Street, Paul Drake, Lieutenant Tragg, Hamilton Burger, and Gertie, the switchboard operator. All the actors and actresses fit their roles, while Monte Markham, who plays Mr. Mason, just doesn't click. He doesn't have the feature or air that the role calls for. The time slot, 7:30, CBS, Sunday, is good, and it is followed by top rated detective shows. Maybe some of the good fortune will mysteriously find its way to Perry Mason. After all, who wants to see the poor guy all washed up?



## MATH WHIZZES MEET

Hamilton High West was host for the second mathematics contest of the season. The schools attending were Princeton, Lawrence, Hamilton West, Steinert, Bordentown, Ewing, Peddie, Hightstown, and Hopewell Valley.

Approximately once a month, schools of the area send up ten students to a meet. Three of those students constitute the official school team and compete with other teams in a test of ten challenging math problems. Peddie and Lawrence High just joined the league.

Originally, the score of the three members of the team was the official score. A new method was developed, however. Now, the top 3 scores of the 10 members constitute the official score.

The winning team was Princeton. One member of their team had a perfect score of ten.

Anyone interested in attending the next meet should contact Mrs. Demkovich. New members are needed all the time!

## DON'T "MS" UNDERSTAND

Gloria Steinen....That name has been known to evoke extreme anger from men and extreme admiration from women.

Recently, The Trenton Times ran a few front-page articles on Ms. Steinen, reporting a very trivial issue of her moving to Princeton. Yet they failed to cover her real reason for being there.

Anne Martindall is running for State Senate and Ms. Steinen was there to lead her support. There were nearly 200 women and men congregated at the Martindall's Princeton home. The atmosphere was casual and friendly, and a sense of excitement could be noted by the women due to Ms. Steinen's presence. Yet there was no "mud slinging" or shouts of down with all male chauvinists. On the contrary, Ms. Steinen centered her conversation on woman in politics, family, home and Anne Martindall.

When approached on the subject of the young high school woman's involvement in the movement, she stressed the need for more young women to get involved. But she also stated that many are afraid to, due to pressure from parents, teachers, or the press.

In all, the evening was a success.

Ms. Steinen was as calm and reserved as ever, and I walked off with the feeling of having just been totally converted to a most worthy cause- the equality and advancement of women.

## FOOTBALL ROYALTY

Joanne Karlik, Leigh Blessing, and Serena Pompei have been respectively crowned Football Queen, Princess, and Duchess for the 1973 season. The ceremony occurred October 20 during half-time activities of this year's first home game. The winners, smiling through their tears (or is that tearing around their smiles?) were each given a dozen roses and a brisk ride around the field to the sound of applause.

The voting, which was by monetary donations, amounted to over \$150. This sum gave a much needed boost to the treasury of Hamilton's new student council. Mrs. Parsons, on behalf of all those involved, would like to thank all the new-empty pockets around the school.

And The Criterion would like to add three more congrats to what we are sure is a long, long list.

## DECA ELECTS

### NEW OFFICERS

Hamilton High West DECA Chapter has announced the election of its new officers for the year 1973-1974. The following students were elected: President, Leo Vanderbilt; Vice-President, Cindy Japrio; Secretary, Sandy Panosowich; Treasurer, Dennis Andreaci; Historian, Theresa Pane; and Parliamentarian, Marilyn White. President Leo Vanderbilt has expressed a very optimistic attitude for a very productive and rewarding year.

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## CRITERION SURVEYED

Last June, senior Linda Lucuski took a survey for her sociology class on The Criterion. Linda passed out ditto sheets to 28 students in her classes, lunch, and study hall. Seven of these students were in business courses, 14 in academic courses, and 3 in work-vocational studies.

Her findings were as follows:

1. Do you buy The Criterion?  
15 yes, 13 no
2. If you saw someone with The Criterion, would you ask to read it?  
25 yes, 3 no
3. Do you think The Criterion could be more organized and interesting?  
23 yes, 5 no
4. Do you read the sports section?  
17 yes, 11 no
5. Do you read the articles on DECA and VICA?  
5 yes, 23 no
6. Would you like more pictures?  
21 yes, 7 no
7. Do you read the movie, book, and record reviews?  
19 yes, 9 no
8. Do you think the paper should be longer?  
15 yes, 13 no

The cost of printing a larger paper is much too steep. Right now, with a sixteen page issue, we are barely getting enough articles to fill it. Taking these two factors, money and articles, we find a larger paper is almost impossible.

9. If you were on the paper, would you change it, and how?

Twelve people said they wouldn't change it. Some points of improvement included: more student short stories and poetry, human interest stories, and art work.

All these types of stories would be possible if the students would be willing to contribute their own work. If you have written or drawn, and would like to have it in the paper, give it to one of the staff members. The Criterion staff makes all final judgements as to what is printed, and what isn't.

They also suggested the paper be issued more frequently. Since money is tight, this is out of the question.

Some others suggested more up to date reviews, want-ads for jobs, and less DECA and VICA articles.

Since the paper is issued every 6 weeks, the reviews are as recent as possible. As for the want-ads, a request was made in mid-September for ads from anyone interested in selling things or running a personal ad. The response was zero, so you can't say we didn't try.

Linda also met with a few difficulties while taking the survey. A) lack of interest- A lot of students didn't want to take the time to fill the sheet out and resented being interrupted. As is shown in question #9, they wouldn't be bothered with specific ways in which the paper could be improved. Most just made up anything that sounded good, just said it was good as is.

B) classes of students- Since Linda is in the academic level of studies, it was hard for her to reach students in business courses, or in the work program. As a result, most answers were from the academic level.

C) shyness in asking people to fill out the survey- It is hard to go up to people you don't really know and ask them to fill out a survey without risking a few long stares.

D) time- Because of the short time Linda had to complete the project, she could not select different groups to take the survey, so she got whoever was available.

So, there are the opinions of a handful of people. You've probably got your own opinion about The Criterion, and we hope it is a favorable one. Just for the record, the newspaper which started in 1930 as the Hamilton Flash and changed to The Criterion in early 1931 has only gone up 5¢ in price since it was first sold. How's that for beating inflation?

## TEACHERS POLLED

A survey was taken of the Hamilton High teachers to find the different methods and systems used to grade in the school.

1. Do you feel the present grading system is accurate?  
85% yes 17% no  
On this question, a 90% yes 10% no answer was expected.
2. Would you prefer a pass fail system?  
100% no  
An 85% no answer was expected, while one teacher said she would prefer a pass-fail system for seniors.
3. Would you pass a student on effort even though his achievements are poor?  
50% yes 50% maybe  
On this question, a 40% yes, 10% no and a 50% maybe answer was expected. The teachers said it depended on the particular student.
4. Do you use grades as a means to discipline your students?  
100% no  
A 60% no, 40% yes answer was expected. While it is thought that only math teachers use the point system, we found English teachers use it also.
6. Do you average grades?  
100% yes  
A 60% yes answer was expected. It was thought that this question would reflect the opposite of number 5, but evidently some teachers use a combination of both.
7. Does class participation play a major role in grading?  
80% yes 20% no  
Expected a 80% yes and 20% no answer.
8. Do you feel you give too much 0%, too little 50%, or an average amount 50% of homework?  
A 50% too little, 50% average answer was expected. Most teachers must think they are lenient.
9. Do you feel you are a hard mark 0%, easy marker 34%, or an average marker 66%?  
Expected 50% easy, 50% average
10. Do you feel that students should be separated (in classes) according to their ability?  
80% yes 20% no

A 70% yes, 20% no answer was expected, while a few teachers said it depended upon the course.

A 95% no, 5% yes answer was expected. Maybe the question forced some teachers to say no because of its wording.

5. Do you use a point system?  
50% yes 50% no

Charles Stanley recently completed a survey for Mr. Dabrowski's Sociology class entitled "Grading Systems" of HHW. More than four-fifths of the teachers polled were satisfied with the present grading system. All those polled, however, would reject a "Pass-Fail" system. The apparent feeling was that students would do only the minimum required to pass.

The teachers also came up with an unanimous negative when asked if they used grades as a means to discipline their students. About half of the teachers use a cumulative-point system; among them, many are English and Science teachers.

No teacher thinks himself a hard marker, and no one believes he loads on the homework. Most grade themselves about average in both areas.

Finally most teachers think that separating students according to their ability is a good idea. A look around would probably show this as true.

In the future we look for more in-school surveys from the various classes. We'll show up those gallop polls yet!



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# EDITORIALLY SPEAKING AN EYESORE

We're not among those who believe that a little litter isn't as bad as a lot of litter. Collectively, a little litter is a lot of litter. A tour of the school grounds will confirm this suspicion. To say that it is aesthetically displeasing would be an understatement. Through the efforts of some concerned students, we've managed to provide wastebaskets for the three lunches, but the majority of the trash seems to be dispersed on the grass.

Besides being unsanitary this situation seems to reflect the general apathy felt by students. Maybe teachers assigned to survey our lunches seem to be shirking their duty. But, can they enforce something that we, the students, should be concerned about? People castigate slum and ghetto dwellers for lack of pride in their environment, but are we, the students, conducting ourselves any better? If we desecrate the school grounds now, what of tomorrow?

The wastebaskets are there. Let's use them and create a more bearable surrounding for ourselves.

## CRITICIZING OUR DRESS???

There was a recent column in The Trentonian on our dress code which attempted to present a negative image to the students.

This was an insult to the student body for the following reasons:

1. The students' personal rights
2. Defamation of character
3. Did not give a true representation of clothing.

This, of course, annoyed quite a number of people in HHW.

Here are some of the statements to the press by the student body:

1. Dear Sir:

I'd like to condemn you for allowing your newspaper to create such a false image on the students.

This shows ignorance on your own part.

2. I feel this is a total insult to the student body. More than half of the students at Hamilton dress very nicely.

There are plenty of other comments from the students, but most of them feel the same way about this issue.

## NEW STUDENT GOV'T.

A New Student Government has taken shape on the Hamilton campus-and this one might even work.

Made up of representatives from the twenty-odd student activities groups in the school, and dangerously captained by the vivacious Mrs. Parsons, the council will take on an ever growing schedule and hopefully wrestle it to a long series of successes.

They have already decided to handle the Boy-Girl of the Month competition- a Kiwanis-Club-sponsored affair to single out exceptional students-and will handle a money-making Football Queen election. However, their real work lies elsewhere.

For one thing, they have to totally rewrite our one and only thirty year old constitution. It is terribly irrelevant today and useless. The re-vamping will be quite a job.

Another thing is a long term-in fact continuous project. The entire group has decided to work together to evaluate the school's courses. This Student Advisory Committee will look both within and to other area schools to try to improve the curriculum. The council's power, though limited to that of persuasion, could, with prudence, become a real voice in the necessary communication between students and administration.

How will you find out what's going on? Well, the minutes of the meeting, in a readable form, will be sent to all classes. If something like a bike-hike for charity or a book fair is going to be put on, you'll hear of it.

Mrs. Parsons strongly urges anyone who would like to help or even has a nutty idea to come to her in room 111 and talk about it.

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Members of the student council are Carmela DeMarco and Kathy Duffy, co-chairwomen; Lenora Miller, treasurer; Skip Watson, Keith Wilson, Sandy Bowser, Georgette Rirk, Mary Abarno, Rich Evans, Maria DeMarco, Joanne Wilson, Linda Budden, Cindy Krisanda, Janice Williams, Steve Allen, Karen Steel, Mark Burd, Gordon Wirth, and Jeff Mitchell.

The Criterion wishes the council good luck in all of its future endeavors.

## FSA ELECTS OFFICERS

### News Release

Officers of the Future Secretaries Association for the 1973-1974 school year are: President, Theresa Pender from Notre Dame; Vice President, Donna Ream of Steinert; Secretary, Ellen Reed of Hamilton; Treasurer, Lourie Colton of Steinert; Publicity Chairman, Cindy Bogart of Hamilton; and Bulletin Chairman, Marlene Viglione from Notre Dame.

The Future Secretaries Association is sponsored by the National Secretaries Association and is designed to provide high school students with the opportunity of associating with "Professional Working Secretaries." NSA leadership is provided by Miss Patricia Kramarz, who has an Associate Degree in Secretarial Science, and has completed partial requirements for the certified Professional Secretary Citation.

Hamilton High School Hornets, Steinert High School Spartans, and the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame are the area schools that comprise the Trentonette Chapter of the FSA.

The local chapter awards a scholarship to a FSA member who will pursue the secretarial field beyond high school. The students also compete in a National contest sponsored by the NSA International.

Hamiltonians that are included in this year's membership include Linda Budden, Linda Calu, Chris Dargay, Barb Houston, Katny Larkin, Pat Lis, Pam Mills, and Cindy Potocki. Mrs. M. Lanzoni, coordinator for the Secretarial Work Program, is faculty sponsor.

## TEST DATES SET

### ACT

College-bound students should take special note of the following schedules for Achievement Tests. Below are the following West dates for the current academic year. In parenthesis, are the registration dates:

Dec. 8, 1973(Nov. 12)  
Feb. 23, 1974(Jan. 28)  
April 27, 1974(April 1)  
June 15, 1974(May 20)

The student fee remains \$6.50, payable by check or money order. As in the past, it will take students about 3½ hours to finish the test and questionnaire. Students having any questions about the test should see their guidance counselors for any further information. It should be noted that the ACT test applies to colleges in the South and Midwest.

### SAT

Also important for the college bound student is the Scholastic Aptitude Test, the first of seven to be given on Saturday, Nov. 3, 1973, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The fee is also \$6.50 for this test. Guidance counselors will contact most students concerning the SAT's. Below is the SAT schedule for the 1973-74 school year. In parenthesis are the final registration dates.

Dec. 1, 1973(Oct. 25, 1973)  
Jan. 12, 1974(Dec. 6, 1974)

Feb. 2, 1974(Dec. 6, 1974)  
April 6, 1974(Feb. 28, 1974)  
May 4, 1974(Mar. 22, 1974)  
June 22, 1974(May 16, 1974)

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# SHORT STORY

## "NOT CHILDREN"

Go placidly amid the noise and haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence.

The bus disgorged its contents, and the people spread as like-poled magnets on a frictionless surface: All different ways. The man pulled his hat on and jostled his way, faster than the others, through the moving crowd. He was careful to touch no one.

His briefcase jarred another hurried man's larger bag, the briefcase falling. He picked it up and called an obscenity after the man. The incident made them both feel better.

Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even the dull and ignorant. They, too, have their story.

Safe now his office, sipping the bitter coffee his secretary had finally brought him, he relaxed and began to acclimatize his mind to the work at hand. Remembering the report he had sent to his boss the evening before, he smiled inwardly, only inwardly, at the praise he expected it to bring. His boss came in, too early though, he thought.

Staring dumbly at the wrinkled papers slapped on his desk, he slowly absorbed the meaning of the torrent aimed at him. Angry now, he tried to reply, but to a swinging door and echoes, only.

If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain and bitter; for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself.

Though he dictated steadily to his attractive secretary, his thoughts lay not with letters. They lay with his wife. She seemed depressed lately, her youngest off to school. He pitied her, her boring work and limited outlets of interest. He thought of her-home alone. But she was home, and she was not alone.

...the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals; and everywhere life is full of heroism.

A knock. He looked busy in time to keep his image in front of the younger man. Advice on that problem? Sure,

anytime. Just like the boss wanted him to do. A renewed step carried the man out the door. With growing confidence, help from the older guys and all that natural talent they told him he possessed, he couldn't lose.

Hunched behind the desk, a smile. "Keep helping him with bum tips like that," he thought, "and he'll never get my job."

Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment it is perennial as the grass.

In boy-girl formation around the padded lunch booth, his two friends paid little attention to anything but their secretary-girlfriend-future-wives. One man, the one with the pretty girl, interrupted the playing of his eyes and asked the outsider if he would be best man.

A smile, shrug, thinking, cognizant look. He was sorry. Vacation week, planning for months, couldn't make it.

Too bad the untrue evasion couldn't keep them from marrying.

You are a child of the universe, no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here.

Day:done. A few minutes to relax before leaving to catch his bus. Briefcase packed, newspaper spread out before him. A headline and a smiling face. "Great humanitarian..." the words said, "...working wonders in these disadvantaged lands..." his interest, "...giving of himself...." Why not me?

A sense of inadequacy filled him, vague guilt of things that were to be done, undone.

The phone rang yanking him from the thoughts. "Wrong number," it said. Looking up, he saw that he would be late. He would have to hurry home. He had things to do. Excerpts from "Desiderata".

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Wanted to Buy: Old coins, Old Mechanical Toys or just old toys. Call after 3:30. 585-8353. Ask for Doug.

# U OF P

Many kids don't know what activities the Hamilton Hornet Band and Drill Team are involved in. Many kids don't care. But I'm sure this activity would have interested all.

On October 6th our marching units travelled to the University of Pennsylvania to watch a college football game and to participate in the annual Band Day. Seven other bands from all over in the Delaware Valley were present.

Following instructions from the University of Pennsylvania Band, every one participated in the pre-game activities forming the words "Fight, Fight", and in the halftime show spelling our "Band Day."

Our formations were a success and so was the game. Our host, The University of Pennsylvania, beat Brown University 21-20.

## POEMS

### Ode to a Football Season

It flies thru the air in the midst of  
a breeze  
The focal point of a quarterback freeze  
It's hide is of leather, to catch it's  
a tease and it damages some skins  
and knees  
We watch from the stands as our team  
breaks their huddle  
and then shake our heads as they side-  
step some puddles  
The Hornets will tromp'em, their  
methods not subtle  
as they turn their poor foes into  
rubble  
Ohhhh....  
It flies thru the air in the midst of  
a breeze  
The focal point of a quarterback freeze  
No matter the weather, we can be  
appeased  
When our team scores a choice victory!!



### Summer's Treasure

The summer calm changes to an autumn breeze,  
The days are shorter, the nights are longer.  
I awaken to find a dew on the ground,  
I do not hear the ocean's sound.  
The air I breath cannot compare to that of the sea.  
I long to see the rising sun that warmed the lazy days.  
And to feel the grains of sand beneath my feet.  
To experience just once more the joy of being free,  
As free as the gulls that flew above me.

Summer's end leaves me with memories,  
Kept in the back of my mind.  
Bring back old faces, think of good times,  
Never forget the lasting treasure to be ours in summertime.

Wake up one morning and suddenly it's gone, that feeling of lusty drunkenness and selfish laze. You touch your feet to the gritty floor for the final time and gaze at the golden sunlight etched across the barren walls. Shaking the sand from your faded suit, you bask in the realization that tomorrow reality returns. Slipping out of sight behind the massive dune with its clean sand and tall swaying beach grasses, you come to stand by the ocean floor. The frothy white crested waves beat effortlessly against the shore line and the milky green sea warmly caresses your toes, sending tingling vibrations through your rigid bones. Screeching angrily, a lone gull sweeps across the horizon as if he too were confused by where the time went. A desolate stillness steals across the sun and emptiness floods your insides washing away memories of the summer past. Now on that lonely stretch of beach, that last full summer of mellowed youth ceases abruptly, and not so quickly now will summer come again.



This year, like every year, Mrs. Bryan and the Hamilton High students will be producing two plays. The first, Our Town, by Thornton Wilder takes place in a New Hampshire village. It deals with the people of the town and primarily with the idea that people don't get as much out of life as they should. In the play, Mr. Wilder also attempts to stress the value of the smallest events in our life, and to make the most of our talents. Our Town will be presented on November 9th and 10th, starting at 8:15 p.m. and ending at approximately 10:45. The price will be about \$1.50, but it is not yet confirmed. Here is the cast of characters in order of their appearance:

Stage Manager, Mark Ezzo; Dr. Gibbs, Frank Ranfone; Joe Crowell, Bernrad Laux; Howie Newsome, Harry Mapps; Mrs. Gibbs, Susan Krolick; Mrs. Webb, Diane Sincak; George Gibbs, Jeffrey Totten; Rebecca Gibbs, Evelyn Lawrence; Wally Webb, Robert Torlini; Emily Webb, Jane Burke; Professor Willard, David Wilson; Mr. Webb, David Holzbaur; Woman in the Balcony, Pat Russo; Man in the Auditorium, Virginia Stan; Lady in the Box, Debbie Seitz; Simon Stimson, Robin Hunt; Mrs. Soames, Sandra Bowser; Constable Warren, James Lebak; Sam Craig Mike Howath, and Joe Stoddard, Roy Helfrick.

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## 1973 CROSS COUNTRY

This year's cross country team has had a disappointing beginning. They have lost their first few meets, due to the lack of runners. Many of our team have had injuries, which have stopped them from running.

"We have a lot of potential this year," says Mr. Clark, the cross country coach. Our team should show improvement as soon as the injured return and our team is complete.

Seniors this year are captain Mark Kurts, Bernie Crammer, and Mick Chianese, also David Czeizinger.

Juniors are Kevin Foy, Steve Jarzyk, John Russo, Larry Fletcher, Phil Grice, Ken Paulaski, and Gordon Wirth.

The sophomore turnout this year was very poor. Greg Keller and Joe Misanin were the only participants.

This year a championship runner will be picked from each individual team at the Mercer County Regionals.

This year's cross country course was increased to 2.75-3.00 miles for varsity and 2½ for JV.

Mr. Clark says he hopes to see everyone out to the home meets cheering our runners onto success.

We would also like to thank Millie Adubato and Sherri Fabrizio, the managers for their help in keeping the times of the runners.

The Criterion staff wishes the team the best of luck!

## JR. VARSITY SOCCER

"The team has been playing aggressive ball and putting a lot of pressure on other teams. The defense is excellent this year," says Mr. Kessler, the junior varsity coach.

Halfbacks this year are Bill Evans, Carl Reinhart, and Jeff Elgrim. Reserves are Pete Chiste and Harold Westerberg.

Fullbacks are Henry Ohgaro, Bill Tucker, and Gary Miller. Forwardreserves are Mark Pushman and Steve Scaccetti.

Leftwing is played by Rich Ongaro, rightwing is Guito Lecchesi, left inside is played by Daryl Thomas, and Ruddy Guenge is the right inside. Bruce Baggot is doing an outstanding job as the JV goal tender.

Rich Ongaro has scored the most goals so far. He scored 4 goals.

So far the JV record is 3-3-2  
We hope the JV team continues doing a fine job. Good luck.

### IT'S CALLED WINNING

The Hamilton Varsity Football Team started something on Saturday Oct. 13, and they intend on doing it up until and including the game against Steinert on Thanksgiving Day. What is it? WINNING!!

The season started out pretty rough for our Hornets, losing to Princeton 30-0 and Plainfield 20-0. Then they made the score board, but not enough to beat Holy Spirit, who won with a score of 41-14.

The St. Anthony game turned the tide as Hamilton slaughtered the Iron Mikes, 33-6. Everyone said that there was no way in the world that Hamilton would over-power the Irish. Well, after a long, hard game, the Hornets won, 18-0.

Hamilton plays Ewing and Trenton here at home and then travels to Seton Hall Prep. Then comes the biggest game of the year. The Steinert Spartans will come to Hamilton on Thanksgiving Day to be beaten as always. With our team as it is now the rest of this year and all of next should be victorious.

Varsity seniors include Keith Wilson, quarterback; David Aust, running back; Tony Minor, defense; Bob Hartman, tackle; Willie Brown, Doug Allegretti, and Joe Howarth, all ends; Steve Borgianini and Bob Cardone, both line backers; and Jeff Shaw, Fred Devito, and Aubrey Ellis, halfbacks. Juniors include Bill Scanlon, Bruce Smith, Robbie Walters, Joe Vassel, Jeff Mathews, Lonnie Upshir, Ricky Branch, Joe Dolci, Dave Bercy, Jimmy Evert, and Mike Whitehair.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



## SUPPORT THE WRESTLING TEAM

Last year, an average of 15 students showed up at Hamilton's four homewrestling matches. Fifteen students!

There's no question about it—wrestling is the toughest sport for an athlete to stick with. The wrestlers go through constant workouts every day after school and on Saturdays for about 2½ hours, and then go home and diet to lose weight.

Why don't the students show up at the matches and cheer for one hour? Last year, there was somewhat of an excuse. Most people didn't even know there was a wrestling team. There was lack of publicity, and it was Hamilton's first year ever as a wrestling team, and they lost many matches. But this year, Mr. Clark has issued a weight lifting program to many wrestlers to improve strength, and also many varsity and JV wrestlers are returning for their second year. This year we have something to look forward to, so come on out and cheer the team to victory! Here's a list of returning varsity wrestlers: John Rollins and Dave Bercy; Eric Mariani, Gordon Wirth, Steve Landau, Brian Sirak, Steve Burick, Tony Minor, and Blaine Elmer.

### GOOD SHOW BOOTERS!

"If we continue to play at our present pace, then we'll qualify for the State Tournament. I hope to do as well as in the past," says Mr. Kenny, the Varsity Soccer coach.

Last year, the soccer team made it to the quarter finals, and the year before to the semi-finals.

Full backs are Mike Glendening, Fred Hamer, John Rollins, and Glen Jones.

Chris Barlow, Bob Millar, Freddie Lovett, Fran Boyer, and Vince Migliori are this year's halfbacks.

Bob Lloyd is leftwing, Glen Chorba is the inside left, Dennis Rooney is rightwing, and Joe Hankins is the Goal Tender.

This year's record is four wins and three losses so far.

Toms River	3-1	win
Lawrence	1-4	loss
Trenton	3-1	win
St. Anthony	0-1	loss
Steinert	1-2	loss
Ewing	1-0	win
Notre Dame	3-1	win