

Honest differences of opinion and belief come into being just as differences in tastes for food differ between people. To be sure, belief and tastes may change as the years come and go—or they may remain with one all his life, without apparent change. Yet, in spite of so many differences, humanity does acknowledge a few universal truths.

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SECTION D

## FOR AND ABOUT DA'S YOUTH



SUE BEASLEY

SHIRLEY RINKE AND ANDY SIELSKI

### Is One Both or— Same as Other?

DENI SCANLON  
Youth Editor

"What room are you supposed to be in, young lady?" an authoritative teacher's voice boomed.

"Well," a sweet young miss replied, "I just got out of social studies and I'll be going back after lunch. You see, I'm not a student. I'm a teacher. Well, I'm not really a teacher, either. I'm a student teacher."

This happened in a Michigan State university coed recently as she played her complicated role as one of the Birmingham schools' system's many student teachers.

Sue Beasley, Shirley Rinke, Jim Harris and Andy Sielski, all getting in practice at Barham junior high school, have many similar stories to relate about their new life.

Aside from her "what-room-are-you-supposed-to-be-in" incidents, Miss Beasley has also found it difficult to convince the category staff that she is old enough to help herself to coffee, something junior high students are not allowed to do.

SHIRLEY RINKE has name problems. A recent bride, she sometimes forgets that her maiden name is no longer appropriate for attendance slips and absence excuses. She is still mastering pronunciation and spelling of 300 physical education teachers' names.

"They forget locker combinations and gym outfits regularly," she added, "but they are really enthusiastic young women. Because we have no boundary lines on the hockey field, I lead them in a let's-pretend-the-50-yard-line game and they readily use imagination and skill."

JIM HARRIS, who works with the music department, lives with two bachelors in a local apartment. He consults his check list daily to keep up with his household responsibilities there.

Harris, a trumpet enthusiast and a member of the Backham Symphony in Detroit, is "instrumental" in the Barham band in addition to his classroom work.

ANDY SIELSKI also in the physical education department, commutes each day from Wyandotte.

"I leave the house at 7:15 a.m., teach football all day, drive home after work... only to start lessons once again for my nephew, who has nicknamed me 'Teach.'"

He coaches the ninth grade ball squad and often gets blurry-eyed from seeing so many players in similar uniforms.

SUE BEASLEY, a commutator from Dearborn, teaches eighth grade history.

"My parents are quite interested in our present project of tracing Indian civilizations," she mentioned.

"They expect a dinner table re-

### Southfield High 9 Students Selected in Merit Test

By BARBARA TROY, JOHN COUP and JEFF ZATELL

All over the nation yesterday, the National Merit Scholarship competition named semi-finalists in the 1958-59 tests.

Nine Southfield high students were among 10,000 selected from nearly a half-million entrants to be re-tested Dec. 6. In May, 1959, at least 736 of the 10,000 will be selected as Merit Scholars and will be eligible for an estimated \$5 million in scholarship awards sponsored by more than 50 business and industrial groups.

The nine Southfield students are, Linora Hobbs, Tom Clark, Katharine Hoffmann, Russell Compton, Joel Darby, Robert Heaslip, William Mair, David Marsh and James Ware.

Students, who poured over library volumes long after they should have been returned to the library, have helped with their fingers to purchase the large Fessenden print now hanging in the senior conference room.

The hanging photograph album located in front of the main office is being "re-done" by Mr. Robert Neff's commercial art firm, Neff Pictures, once dull and uninteresting have been rearranged and combined with striking colors and designs. These same students have designed and constructed bulletin boards, posters and signs for school groups.

Math instructor Roger Soucy is conducting a class in Russian. Soucy is not teaching the class, he and the students are teaching themselves. So far they report they have mastered the Russian alphabet.

Debate club officers for 1958-59 are Linda Brothen, president; Julie Nagler, vice president; Joanne Warren, secretary and Dennis Smallwood, treasurer.

Senior Harold Gogberg was elected band president recently. He is also drum major. Majorettes are Sandy Miller, Janet Price, Nancy Lewy, Carol Bench and Donna Sloan.

The seniors will sponsor an all-school dance tomorrow from 8-11 p.m. Susan Erbacher and Tom Clark are in charge of the decorations. Judy Gogberg and Kathy Berberich are handling publicity.

Adding to their news insight, a group of journalism students toured a Detroit paper with their instructor Richard Welkembach last week.

Picturesquely grouped about the Franklin Elder Mill, the Art Club were seen recently sketching and painting in watercolors.

Ecology study in advanced biology took instructors Suzanna Robson and George Schrandt and their classes to Highland Recreation area for special study.

Candidates for Homecoming queen and their sponsors are Pat Fiedor, Business club; Janet Gogberg, Key club; Judy Gogberg, senior class; Sue Erbacher, Pep club; Marie Sandusky, Les Olympettes; Kathy Hoffmann, Nancy Compton; Janice Christensen, Junior class; Marsha Lawton, Hi-V club and Karen Young, Varsity club.

Senior Donna Ward held an open house to celebrate Southfield's football victory over Ferndale last Friday. Seniors Doug Sweet, Tom Clark and Jim Younes invented some fancy hula-hoop tricks to amuse the guests.

Tryouts for the senior play, "Heaven Can Wait," are being held this week. Six senior sponsors Sanford Burr, Letha Palmer, Cecil Foote, Willard Pilch, Alby Paris and George Schrandt will head committees working on the play. James Shippee will direct. The play is scheduled for presentation Nov. 21-22.

Junior class officers elected last week are Terry Olson, president, Jane Stola, vice president, Karen Young, secretary and Pat Jones, treasurer.

### Hi Life by Tom Manhard



### Cricket Chatter Amplified By London Reporter

"A LONDON TIMES article indicated that I was going to hear the bat right out of the hands of Peter May, England's cricket champion," Cranbrook student Gary Grikaschelt wrote to the Eccentric's youth editor.

Gary, who is in Brentwood School Essex on a one-year fellowship granted by the English Speaking Union continued, "But it's not that I am so eager to play cricket, it is just that I have never seen a match and was enthusiastic about the game."

Apparently the British subtle humor wasn't adept at deciphering the way American youth express themselves.

Gary will report to the Eccentric from time to time on his experiences as a British bystander.

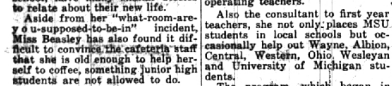
### Fall Story Hour Still Has Openings For Pre-Schoolers

Mothers of pre-school tots will be happy to know that a few openings still exist for the autumn story hour series which begins at 10 a.m. Oct. 7, at the Baldwin Public library.

The library invites mothers of all boys and girls between three and five years of age to visit or call the library at once to make advance registration.

Mrs. Norman Burns, boys and girls librarian, and Mrs. Charles Burch, assistant in the boys and girls department, will present these informal thirty minute story hours each Tuesday morning through Nov. 25.

In the Dominican Republic a 42-mile railroad was financed by the Dutch, built by Belgians, has British bridges, U. S. rolling stock, is owned by the Dominicans and is operated by Americans.



JIM HARRIS

### Parochial Notes St. Mary's Team Defeats Holy Name

By CAROL ANN JURICA

In their first game of a seven-game football schedule Holy Name lost to St. Mary's of Bedford, 26-13. The game was played Sept. 28 at Memorial Stadium at Mt. Clemens. Touchdowns for Holy Name were made by Bob LaMarr and Tim Gray.

The editorial staff of the "Students' Pen" held a meeting last Thursday to discuss plans for printing and typing the newspaper. Members of the staff are David Henry, Carol Ann Jurica and Mary Peabody from Room 211 and Mary Lou Hopsten, Jim Conlan and Marilyn Golchart from Room 212. The meeting was presided over by Mr. Howard Hughes, student advisor, who teaches the fifth grade and is also Junior Varsity Coach at Holy Name.

Grades 6 through 8 enjoyed a short movie Wednesday entitled Safety in School. It gave important information pertaining to courtesy in school and correct procedure during a fire drill. Although there was some delay in getting the film started, with the able assistance of one of the nuns the show got underway.

Christine Weller and Carol Ann Jurica were surprised guests at a birthday party given in their honor at the home of Lynne McKenna Sept. 26. Pam McMaster, Nancy Corrigan, Lynne McKenna and Barbara Wichman arranged it with the permission of Lynne's parents. Pop chips and birthday cake were served and a good time was had by all.

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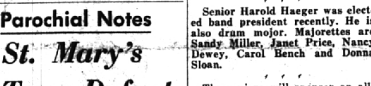
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### Calender For Today's Youth

Compiled by JUDI DAVEY

Thursday Studios take Senior Pictures at Birmingham, 3:30 to 7:30. Oct. 2 - 15. Upstairs lounge.

G. A. Open House at Birmingham. Oct. 3

Erg Rehearsal at Cranbrook 7:00 to 9:30. Auditorium.

World Federalist Party at Cranbrook. In cabin. 6:00 p.m. Saturday

"My Man Godfrey" at Cranbrook for Kingswood and Cranbrook students. Starring David Niven and Jane Allyson. 7:30. Auditorium.

Oct. 4

Erg rehearsal at Cranbrook. 2:30 to 4:30. Auditorium.

Monday

Senior Class meeting at Birmingham. 7:30. Gym.

Wednesday

Field Day at Birmingham.

Thursday

Regional MEA Dinner at Birmingham. 6:00 p.m. Maple Room.

Friday

Erg rehearsal at Cranbrook. 7:00 to 9:40 p.m. Auditorium.

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