

## An Awkward Stage: Tween Vacations

By JUDY GOODE

Yesterday saw all Holy Name students return from a short but sweet Easter vacation. The same old classes commenced yesterday and children still wishing it was vacation attended them. However, the classes from now on are going to get tougher since there is so much to cover before summer vacation gets here. All students are really going to have to dig in and keep up with their studies until summer days are here.

However, we must remember that later on in our lives we'll probably wish we could have kept on with these carefree school days for a longer time. Very soon students at Holy Name are expecting their school pictures, good or bad, to be returned. It is hoped around the school that they will come in at least a week. The eighth graders have a class picture to look forward to but can't see it until graduation time. The picture will be enclosed in the diploma.

The baseball season is getting on its feet at Holy Name. Teams for the season have been set up under Jan Binger, the girls' coach, and Martin Foley, the boys' coach. Next week the first games are planned and all teams are taking turns practicing after school. There are no awards for baseball since school ends for summer vacation. Very soon there will be a lot more about baseball as the ball really starts rolling, or rather hitting.

## Groves High School

# They Made a Splash At the Grand Opening

By SHERRY VASKO

Our swimming pool was opened April 4. After waiting seven months for this event, the students will probably appreciate it much more. The pool is 75 feet long and 42 feet wide. It holds 140,000 gallons of water. The depth is three feet at the shallow end and 10 feet at the deep end. There are two low diving boards. Pull-out ladders are on each side of the pool. Sliding glass doors open onto an open-air court. Groves faculty basketball team, the champs of the Birmingham Adult Recreation League, finished a highly successful season with 13 wins and only three losses. Members of the Groves faculty who played are: Mr. Westrope, Mr. Finn, Mr. Mirer, Mr. Ralls, and Mr. Ogorek. Mr. Pendrak, from Senolm, was high scorer with 26 points per game. Groves had library week. All books went on circular for a week instead of on shelves. Many new books have been added to the collection and many more will be added each week. "Mr. Baruch," "Katherine," "On the Beach," "The Caine Mutiny," and "Avalanche Patrol," are some of the books that will be found on the shelves of the school library. The track team, coached by Coach Ralls and Mr. Kruger, seems to be chipping up. Some boys from the tenth-grade team have been working out since February and are anxious to compete in the coming meets. Groves had its first practice track meet April 12 with Berkeley's variety. Both teams showed outstanding performances in this practice meet. Art Schuler placed first in the 100 yd. dash, first in the 200 yd. dash, and second in the running broad jump. Roger Mason tied for first in the high jump, second in pole vaulting, and second in the 100 yd. dash. Bill Quick placed first in the 140 yd. dash. Groves is going to have its first regular meet with Kimball April 29 after school.

## B'field Hills JHS

# Cheers Are A Little Quieter Now

By BECKI BROGAN

If you should happen to see a crowd of teens jumping down the halls of Bloomfield Hills Junior high with gleeful eyes and drooping heads, it's a sure bet that they are trying out for cheerleading.

"Oh, my back! It can't bend!" and "Watch out! My knees are going to buckle!" are common examples of the agonies the girls voluntarily go through for the insurmountable task that they might make the cheering squad.

Zany as it is, the cheerleaders are an important addition to school spirit and cheering tryouts are a sure sign that spring has finally arrived. April 12 and 13 cheering hopefuls met in the gym for some first instructions from senior high cheerleaders.

The instructions included some merciless exercising and exhausting jumps and kicks that doubly insured the fact that to make it you will have to be good! (Superhuman might be a better word, according to some exhausted contestants.)

The tryouts for future sophomores will be held at the senior high April 25. We're betting that with all this preparation and spirit the senior high will have the prepest set of cheerleaders for miles around.

A crowd of very promising hopefuls represent the future freshmen. Too bad baseball doesn't have cheerleaders—we're well-prepared. Baseball practice has started, further emphasizing the arrival of spring. Announcements of outcome of the baseball tryouts for the school team will be made April 25.

Track has begun also, and we are looking forward to as winning a record in these sports as we enjoyed in football. Only these next months can tell how close we will come.

Laurie Shultz is B.H.J.H.'s girls' badminton champion. Laurie defeated Debby Dearborn for the title, April 7. It was a close match in which both girls showed the ability which had enabled them to defeat all other contestants.

Due to some unforeseen confusion the other finalist, Linda Benway, couldn't make it and thus forfeited her chance to compete.

## Barnum JHS

# Students Here Are Due for Spring Fever

By THE PRESS CLUB

Barnum Student Council's regular meeting had two items of special interest on its agenda. First, committees were appointed for the spring dance, "Spring Fever." The chairman are Chris Jensen, Erin Newhouse, Anne Conlin, Ann Norton and Chuck Hatten. The second item was discussion of the spring student council elections which will be held soon after spring vacation. We are congratulating Barnum's Mapletonian staff. All material was completed and turned in to the publisher April 8. The staff has worked long and hard on the yearbook, and it promises to be the best one yet.

Barnum musical groups will participate in the annual spring concert this year, May 28. Mr. Seebach will direct the ninth-grade choir in a variety of songs. Miss Micheleletti, director of the ninth-grade girls' glee club and the eighth-grade choir, will lead her group in fun songs, negro songs, and patriotic pieces.

Dream with the Catalinas around the world. You will see wonderful adventures if you're present when the swim club, "The Catalinas," presents its annual water ballet portraying the theme, "Dream around the World." There is a business May 27 and evening performances May 28 and 29.

Four hundred fifty excellent Barnum citizens who had given service to the school were honored at a recognition assembly, April 11. Mr. Leigh and Mr. Yeann, gym teachers from the elementary schools, prepared this assembly with children from Pierce, Quanton, Midvale, Bloomfield and Beverly schools presenting series of excellent tumbling acts.

## Kingswood Column

By JOAN McDONALD

The annual Senior dance will be Saturday evening. The dance, headed by general chairman Abby Goldstein, has the appealing title "It Happens Every Spring." Decoration chairman is Edith Munford; refreshment chairman, Marion Moore; publicity chairman, Juli Kruger; and music chairman, Nancy Knorr. Dancing will be in the auditorium, and refreshments will be served in the dining room. The lower school will present the program "America Through Music" at 7:30 p.m., April 22. The show will be composed of three sections of American music—folk songs, show tunes, and contemporary music. Included in the program are voice soloists Mary Jane Bartwell, Jacqueline Doney, Ann Russell, Yvette Danks, and Susie Burt. Susan Meier will play a flute solo. Of the two instrumental ensembles the first will consist of Julie Williams, Susie Burt, Nancy Emerson, and Susan Young; the second, of Elizabeth Gimbel, Susan Meier, Margaret France, Deborah Norvell, and Kathryn Shore. Accompanists throughout the program will be Susan Meier, Marsha Hoffman, Susan Gargill, Kathy Shore, Barbara Miller, and Judy Minor on the piano; Marilyn Mauck, flute; Molly Anderson, ukulele; Elizabeth Gimbel, guitar; and Victoria Joy and Frances Fredericks, autoharp.

celebrated modern dance artist Charles Weidman. Mr. Weidman was here to exhibit and instruct dance to those girls who have participated in the winter dance program. An exhibition by the four Kingswood art instructors is now being displayed in the school. Shown are the works of Lillian Holm, Clifford West, Morthy Moody, and Robert Kline. Mrs. Holm instructs weaving, and Mr. Kline, ceramics, while Mrs. Moody and Mr. West teach drawing and painting and life art.

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## Cranbrook Corridor

By BOB HUGHES

Since the period of Spring vacation did not cover Easter this year, last weekend there was a large exodus of boarders from the school. Classes ended at noon Friday, and a special service was held after lunch. Following this all were free to leave for the weekend.

Monday, April 11, a film was shown in assembly depicting life in Brazil, especially the Highlands. Two days later, Anisius Marcus de Lucena, American Field service exchange student from Brazil, spoke about his country and his impressions of America.

He noted that Brazilian schools place greater emphasis on generalization, spending less time on each of more subjects. He also felt that the Brazilian family is closer than the American, probably because less time is spent in school and other non-family activities.

Boris Nicoloff, a senior prefect at Cranbrook this year, has been selected by representatives of the English Speaking Peoples union to receive an International Schoolboy fellowship.

He will spend next year at Aldenham school, an English boarding school. Ron Ricker, a graduate of last year's class is at present studying at Shrewsbury in England, and Timothy Morgan, from Sutton Valence school in Kent, England, is spending this year at Cranbrook.

The Crane, Cranbrook's newspaper, received a first award in the annual contest held by Columbia school of journalism.

Joel Meyers received a blue ribbon in the Detroit science fair for a project entitled "The Influence of Tranquilizers on Animals." Bill Gelbach did the same for a project entitled, "The Effect of Artificial Light on Plants."

Joel Cohen placed thirty-third in the annual Michigan State Mathematics prize examination.

Seven boys received books from the editors of Time-Life, Inc. for performances on the Time Current Events test. The books, including Arnold Toynbee's "A Study of History," "Twenty Five Best American Plays," and "A History of American Painting," were presented by Mr. W. B. Ricketts, chairman of the Cranbrook history department, to Mike Barone, Mitch Grayson, Eric Chester, John Hartman, Jim Walker, Louis Beer, and Bob Hughes.

## 'Un Cheeseburger Et French Fries, 'S'il Vous Plait'

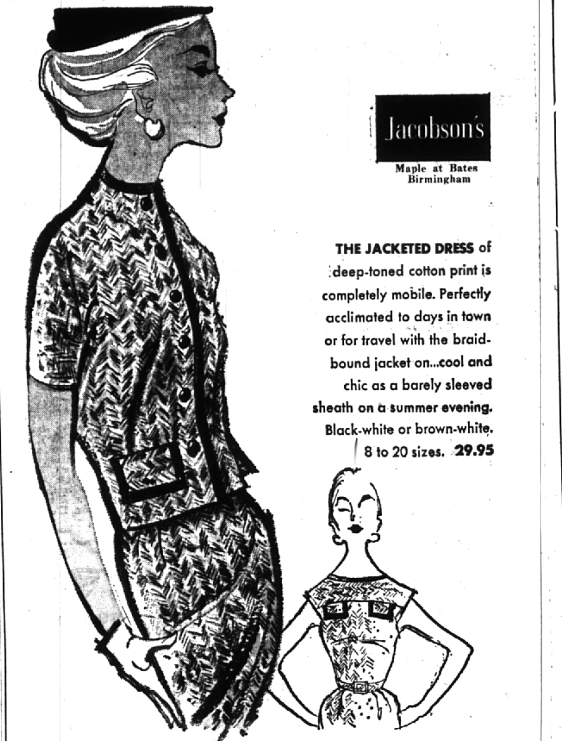
Groves high school's only French class went out to dinner Thursday, April 8, at a French Restaurant in downtown Detroit.

There were eight girls and four chaparones. The girls were: Cindy Mott, Elaine Chapin, Erica Knapp, Alexa Bowman, Kathy Laux, Janet Shull, Sue Kemp, and Carol Klasse. The chaparones were their teacher, Mrs. Jeanne Sharrard, and her husband, Mr. Mott; and Mr. Chapin. They all ordered French. "This was a night to remember," one said.

## More Time Needed

More four-hour parking meters near the Birmingham community houses at Bates and Townsend would be appreciated, the board of directors advised Birmingham city officials last week. City Manager J. B. Gare was asked to survey the desirability of converting some existing two-hour meters into longer times.

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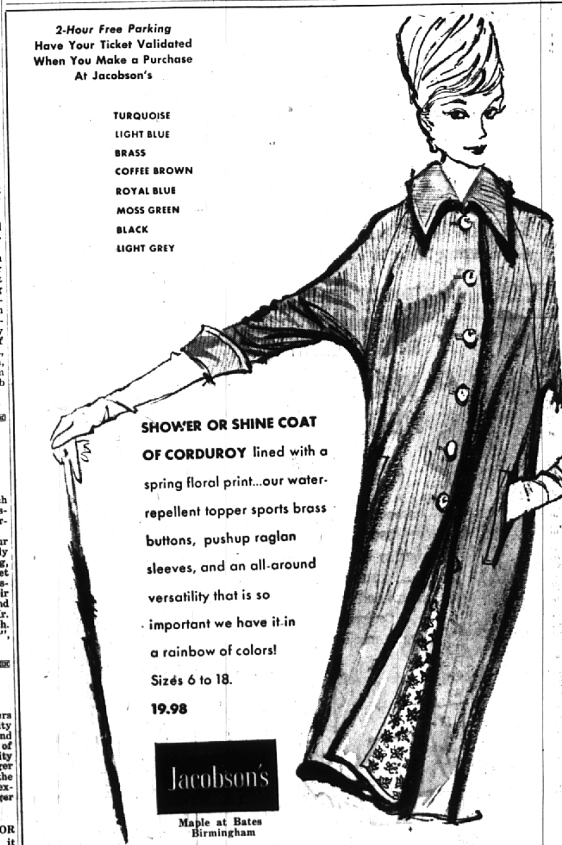


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