

# Seaholm Maples

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Special Writer

Seaholm will be the site of the District Elimination debate tournament to be held Feb. 14. As a member of District M, one out of 18 class A divisions, the Maple debating squad will host other schools in a contest for the district title. Beginning in the morning the debates will continue throughout the day until all but one team is eliminated. If a team loses once, it is automatically barred from further debate. Debaters will not know until a half hour before the contest begins whether they will support the negative or affirmative side of the proposition. Resolved: that the United States should join in forming a common market among nations of the Western Hemisphere.

The starting lineup will be Birmingham Seaholm vs. Troy; Detroit Austin vs. Mt. Clemens; Detroit Our Lady of Mercy vs. Jackson; and S.C.S. Lakeview vs. Warren Lincoln. Debate coach Charles Thumser has chosen Pat Squibb and John McCullough to represent Seaholm in the tournament. While Jackson is favored to win, the Maple debaters are ready to put up a hard fight to continue on to the state championship. Having been in the state finals for four out of the last five years, Jackson beat Seaholm two years ago in the state tournament.

New officers and home-area representatives were officially installed at the second annual student congress passed by the Senate, 29 in the Maple room. Sponsored by the Senate, the dinner program included the invocation by Congress chaplain Ben Root, an installation service directed by Tom Kennedy, outgoing S.C. president, and the singing of "America" by foreign students Nori Takagi and Kazuko Tamamura. Principal Ross Wagner talked on "The American School." Richard Adams, newly-elected Student Congress president, gave an inaugural address followed by remarks of Henry Hogan Jr., local representative in the Michigan House of Representatives. His talk concerned the significance of student government.

Ken Pool, outgoing vice president, reported on the importance of the senate in Seaholm. A medley of songs by the Plainsmen ended the program. Guests honored at the event included Mr. and Mrs. George Averill, Mr. and Mrs. Hogan, Mr. and Mrs. Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Clavton, Mr. and Mrs. Darling and Mr. and Mrs. Richards. Planning the dinner were Ken Root, Hub Brown, Mrs. Bullock, Ann Bullock, Peg Talburt, Loren Musiek and Betty Schwab from the Senate. House members on a committee included Don Spencer,

Dick Swane, Tom Ullenbrock, Michele Roberts, Marilyn Dick, Peggy Underwood and Kathi Kennedy.

Cast members, directors and committee heads are well in the swing of preparing for the Proscenium play, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," which was to be presented Feb. 7, 8, and 9. Due to conflicting activities, however, the production will be postponed until Feb. 21, 22, and 23. Heading the cast of 21 in this first attempt at producing a Shakespearean drama at Seaholm are Jack MacDonald, Jack Hadley, Lou Turf, Olof Siden, Lin Harris, Ann Russel, and Sue Altman. These students portray the parts of Theseus, Duke of Athens, Egeus, Lyander, Demetrius, Hippolyta, Hermia and Helena, respectively. Other cast members include John Savage, Vince Rogers, Bill Meuser, Dave Kilbury, Tom Griffith, Charles Falk, Charles Sutherland, Lucy Whitley, George Watkins, Judy Jesse, Pat Varga, Nancy Diamond, Averil Allen and Ed Champlin.

"Swing 'n' Splash" was the name of an informal dance and swimming party held at Seaholm, Feb. 2. In order to avoid the foreign exchange students on the senior trip to Washington, a charge of 50 cents per person was made. From 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., the Tremolos provided music for dancing in the Maple Room. Swimming in the pool started at 9:30 a.m., while dancing to records continued in the cafeteria. With the termination of the third marking period came the end of the second semester. While most students follow the same basic schedules as the first half of the semester, some change class types to take a semester course followed by note-handling. Those taking trigonometry in the first half of the semester take college algebra the second half. Debate is coupled with contest speech. All students who had gym three days a week last semester have it two days, and those who had gym two days a week now have it three days.

Seaholm was fortunate to have two distinguished guest speakers at assemblies, Feb. 4 and 5. The first was Sergio Rojas and the second was Salome Rink. As the Cuban ambassador to Great Britain during 1959-1960, Rojas served his country during the Castro regime. Refusing to stay in a Communist-dominated nation, he left Cuba and came to the United States. His address to the student body, entitled "Cuba—The Great Communist Conspiracy," expressed his feelings about the present situation in his native country. Rink, from Lebanon, presented an interesting program with his speech "America Is More Than a Country."

participated in a joint discussion with the Marian student government. The meeting was jointly chaired by Marcia Phillips and James P. Dean, respective chairmen of the Marian and the Rice groups. The agenda for this meeting contained three topics. These subjects were: meeting procedure, common problems and activities. Attending from Brother Rice were: Brother McKenna, John Grubaugh, Jack O'Hara, Doug Heister, Jim Dean, Bob Stark, Dale Carrico, Bob Boland, Dennis Couvart, and Steve Mallica.

The Brother Rice Warriors play their last home game of the season tomorrow night. The Warriors will take the varsity and reserve teams from Our Lady of Mount Carmel High School. Mount Carmel is the horn in the side of A-West League leading Visitation. The Visitation Eagles succumbed to the BRHS team, 57-54. The j v game begins at 6:45 p.m. with the varsity game following.

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## Groves Falcons

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Feb. 11-15 will be the week of Groves' annual AFS homecoming drive. The campaign is being sponsored by members and officers of the American Field Service for the purpose of bringing three foreign exchange students to our school next year. It is hoped that enough money for their senior trip, class rings, yearbooks, and other expenses will be raised.

Home rooms involved in the drive will sell baked goods, candy, popcorn, cocoa, and other such foods. Students will be able to guess serial numbers on a dollar bill for a price, or guess the number of beans in a jar. All profit made in these home rooms will go into the AFS fund.

Some 55 students from Groves' music department are practicing for the Fourth District Solo and Ensemble Festival to be held at Pontiac Northern High School, Feb. 9, this Saturday. The entire day will be spent for the contest, but participants need only come for the hour in which they are to play. Each will play in at least one solo, duo, trio, or similar arrangement, with a limitation of three performances.

The students will be judged by private teachers and musical instructors, and those receiving a first rating will be eligible for the state contest at Kalamazoo in March. Any student in grades 7-12 may compete at district, but only senior high can attend the state contest.

Beginning this month, Miss

## Bloomfield Country Day

By INGRID BECKER  
Special Writer

Bloomfield Country Day girls are anxiously awaiting the evening of Feb. 14, which will provide one of the school's biggest social events of the year. Our annual skating party, to be held on this date, will be sponsored by Mr. Jordan Stover. Refreshments will be served outdoors, well-lit by spotlights strung from the school to the smoothly scraped lake below. Mr. Stover's stereophonic phonograph will pipe music for the skaters through loud speakers to be set up outside.

With the beginning of a new semester, the student body and teachers of Bloomfield Country Day School are glad to welcome Mrs. James M. Adams to the faculty. Mrs. Adams will teach modern history and government. Many BCDS students went on a skiing excursion, accompanied by Mrs. Peter McKnight, physical education instructor, on Wednesday, Feb. 6. A chartered bus left the school at 1:45 p.m. and took the girls to Mt. Holly where instructors showed novices the fundamental techniques of skiing and helped others give polish to their skiing ability.

Angela Kountoupes was named high honor roll member for the second quarter. Those on the honor roll are: Linda Brandt, Susan Judd, Maria Kountoupes, Marty Pioch, and Lorna Richman. High honor roll member for the first semester was again Angela Kountoupes. Honor roll members for the first semester were: Susan Judd, Maria Kountoupes, Kathy Pioch, and Lorna Richman.

Officers for this year's water ballet, with Miss Frances Pulley as sponsor, have been elected. They are: Chris Layman, president; Nancy Howard, vice-president; Pam Tull, secretary; and Jane Schaefer, historian.

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## Naturalist to Talk At Pierce Today

Richard A. Mortenore, naturalist for the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority, will be the guest speaker at Pierce Elementary School, Birmingham, today. Students will hear a lecture entitled "Michigan Rocks and Soils." The appointment was requested by Daniel A. Welch, principal at the school.

## Cubs Plan Banquet

Cub Scout Pack 1007 of Pierce School will hold its annual Blue and Gold banquet at 6:15 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 13, at St. John's Episcopal Church, Woodward at 11 Mile, Royal Oak. John Eberly is the scoutmaster.

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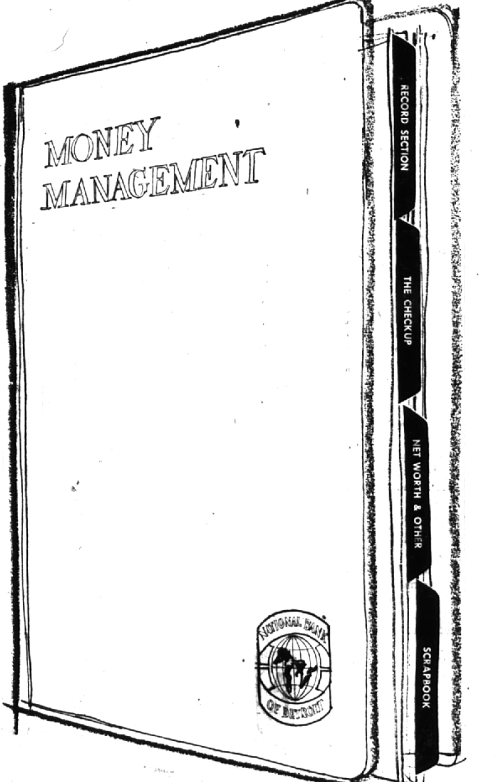
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