



### THE LAST RITES OF WINTER

◆ Judy Michael and Mike Polonski are enjoying the skiing at Mt. Brighton, but they are also aware that winter is losing its grip as they drink in the warm sun.

### CONFORMING TO THE CODE

By C. Fowler

Since the institution of the Toledo Public Schools' discipline code last year, rules, which had previously seemed rather vague, have been clearly defined. "A

person now knows ahead of time what the consequences will be," stated Pupil Personnel Director, Warren Bush.

Last year's suspensions totaled 459. Presently, they tally 306, with seven expulsions. "That's about even with last year's record," Mr. Bush explained, "but our school's population has dropped slightly since last year."

A suspension is only a removal for up to ten days, but an expulsion is for an entire semester, with a loss of all credits. Even if the student is expelled in the last week of the semester, loss of credits is still mandatory.

Surprisingly, there seems to have been a decrease in problems such as drinking, assaults, and drugs. This may be an indication that the code is working. "Our ultimate goal is to treat lesser offenses in a more serious manner," announced Mr. Bush, "but the school personnel needs the help of students and the community to speak out when they see an offense committed." This may cause hard feelings, but it might insure a better understanding of DeVilbiss throughout its school district.

### 'Herald' Editor Visits Journalism Class

By Susan Kutcher

Gathering, writing, displaying, and editing the community news are daily tasks for Mrs. Rosanne Deutsch, editor of The West Toledo Herald.

Mrs. Deutsch visited DeVilbiss, February 12, to address the Journalism I class about her job—and newspapers in general. She brought with her examples of her work and selections of good journalism.

"The Herald does what a good paper should do...it serves the interest of its readers," said Mrs. Deutsch.

This editor says that there are many ways her newspaper earns the money it needs to operate. It runs ads, bride or engagement pictures, and the staff accepts other papers for publication, such as The University of Toledo's Collegian. Nothing is wasted at the Herald. The paper salvages film negatives, plates, and used paper to raise money.

Mrs. Deutsch is a staff of one. She writes almost all of the paper's stories, although she often writes under a pseudonym "so it doesn't look as if I wrote everything."

Mrs. Deutsch says that the Herald is not a complete paper and that it can't spend time on things that The Blade has already done. The Herald is a community paper, and she believes that its main purpose is to serve the people of the West Toledo community. Her stories inform, entertain, and promote interest. She is delighted by the reader feedback she receives from these stories.

## Editorially Speaking

### DEVINE REVISITED

Last year, when the Toledo Public Schools presented a new discipline code, Judge Andy DeVine, head of the juvenile court in Toledo, was portrayed in the Toledo Blade as "blasting" the new system. An editorial appeared in The Prism criticizing Judge DeVine's stand. A personal interview with the judge followed and a true understanding of his position was obtained.

On January 27 of this year another interview was held with Judge DeVine to capture what has happened in the interim.

Judge DeVine, in criticizing the disciplinary code meant to point out its greatest weakness—it had not been formulated with the consultation of juvenile authorities or the police.

The school administrators have since met with the police and juvenile authorities and mutual support has been achieved.

The restitution program, which has been running since 1977, is a favorite topic for discussion with Judge DeVine. He introduced it to Toledo with less than enthusiastic support, but it has been a shining success story. With the firm leadership of Mr. Danny Pompa, its director, Toledo now ranks number one in the nation in the amount of money and service returned to the individual victims of crime and to the community.

Judge DeVine remains firm in his philosophy: "The kid who does something wrong must try to make it whole again." That's what restitution is all about—repayment for wrongdoing!

See next column.

Judge DeVine explained that when a young lawbreaker is sent to a correction institution, such as those operated by The Ohio Youth Commission, he leaves the jurisdiction and supervision of the community. The taxpayer must supply funds for his rehabilitation and the victim suffers by loss of property and often personal injury. With restitution, the juvenile lawbreaker has the chance to repay some of the loss to both the victim and the community. He also remains close at hand for observation and guidance.

Judge DeVine's dream is that some day the "adult" courts might adopt the restitution program. If a criminal realizes that he will have to make whole what he destroys, he may find crime less appealing—and the victim will, for once, get a break.

### SENIORS UPSET

The senior class trip here at DeVilbiss has stirred controversy among the students. The lack of proper planning and improper distribution of selection sheets caused voting to fall into the hands of a small minority of seniors.

This trip, which is the highlight of everyone's high school career, should have been decided upon by the entire class of 1981. The senior officers had sufficient time to plan for financial installments on a minimal basis. The failure to do so resulted in many students being unable to meet the inflated cost.

The disorganization has made the whole class suffer, and of course now the trip has been canceled.

See next column.

When it comes to election of class officers next year, weigh the candidates and be prepared for the same old line: "This year will be different. The whole class will work together!"

Sue Szymanski  
Class of '81

## Roving Reporter

**QUESTION:** If you could legally commit any crime, which one would it be—and why?

"Rape men just for the fun of it." - Becky West

"There's no point, because it's legal. It's not really a crime." - Dylan Reyes-Cairo

"Steal one million dollars from the Shah's estate." - Mr. Lynn Koester



"Murder, because at times the criminal system doesn't work and some people can't learn through the law." - Jeff Fitzgibbons

"Shoplifting. I'm obsessed with clothes and shoes." - Sarah Hilfinger

"Kidnapping, because I would kidnap a poor child and take care of it." - Davanna Jones

"Only pay half of my income taxes." - Mr. David Carter

"Turn left on a red light." - Mrs. Patricia Mash

## GERMAN VISITOR ADDRESSES MIXER By Carolyn Prohl



Miss Mimi Wagner of The Federal Republic of Germany poses with German language students Doug Cosgrove, Mike Polonski, and John Smith after her interview for the foreign language program in the DeVilbiss library.

A foreign language mixer was held on February 10, in the DeVilbiss library during the third hour. Miss Mimi Wagner, of Germany, was invited to talk about life in her country.

Miss Wagner discussed school life, economics, and the differences between the American and German school systems.

There are 13 years of required education in Germany, which for college prep students is equal to that of a college sophomore in the U.S. schools. Students attend classes 48 hours a week, including Saturdays.

Miss Wagner said that the cost of living in her country is high, but standards are equal to American living. The price of gasoline is nearly double that of the U.S. People use their cars for short trips, taking trains for longer journeys.

Miss Wagner is in the States to perfect her English. In addition to English and her native German, she speaks Spanish and French.

Upon returning to Germany, Miss Wagner intends to apply for a position with the German airline, Lufthansa.

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## KIM'S KORNER By Kim Machcinski

"Work, work, work—that's all we do. We never have extra activities anymore!" Does this sound like you? Read on in this month's KIM'S KORNER and find out how DeVilbiss is scheduled to be reincarnated.

Last year, almost every second and fourth Tuesday had an hour set aside for club meetings. This year, only a few meetings were held in school.

Clubs were chartered late because of the school levy. Administrators were busy working for that important cause. Clubs were pushed aside for a later time.

After the levy passed, other projects, such as the Christmas baskets, were going on and Mr. David Carter, activities adviser, felt too much class time would have been missed if club day had been added.

February 10, marked the third club meeting in school and the start of a regular schedule.

Honors convocations were the other activity missed this year, but this is to be remedied.

Names of those eligible have been gathered and when the cards are finished, the convocations should be under way.

With these changes being made and movies (The Amityville Horror and Blazing Saddles) showing in the auditorium, DeVilbiss will once again have a balance of work and leisure time.

## COLLEGE FAVO-WRITES BY KAREN FAVO - BGSU

If you are a high school junior or senior, you may be hearing a lot of your friends talking about their plans after high school graduation. That can be discouraging if you are one of those who just can't decide what to do after graduation. Maybe the following list will help you to weigh the pros and cons of the opportunities that are available to you.

### THE WORLD OF WORK

There are many jobs for which you can qualify as a high school graduate, but competition is keen, so check out the possibilities carefully. There are also government jobs for high school graduates, but you must qualify by passing the state or federal civil service examination. Check with your local post office for the times and locations when this examination is given.

### TECHNICAL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES

No matter where you live in Ohio, you are within commuting distance of a reputable technical community college. There is a network of state general colleges, community technical colleges and university branches in Ohio. These schools offer one-year and two-year programs that will prepare you for a variety of employment opportunities. To find out if they offer a program that interests you, contact the school's admissions office,



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and check your high school library for pamphlets, brochures and catalogs. In addition to the college publications, look for the U.S. Department of Labor pamphlet called "Jobs Which Require Some College or Specialized Training." This booklet lists a variety of occupations and highlights the training requirements and employment outlook for each. It may even tell you about career opportunities you did not know existed!

There are some occupations for which you cannot qualify unless you hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year college. Teaching is one of those occupations, and there are others, such as medicine and law, that require advanced study and additional degrees beyond the bachelor's.

Knowing the educational requirements for your chosen career is an important part of the decision-making process required of you.

## ENGINEERS HOLD PRESS CONFERENCE

"What one can do with a dollar, any fool can do with ten dollars." This was a definition of engineering given during a press conference at The University of Toledo on February 5 for the events of Engineers' Week, February 22-28.

The object of Engineers' Week is to pull students into the lucrative and promising profession of engineering. Anything a person can think of needs an engineer to make it better or more useful.

The University of Toledo is offering an open house on Sunday, March 1. "Technorama '81" will have various exhibits and demonstrations. It's free to the public and will be held in Dana Auditorium and throughout the Engineering and Science Building.

## COE STUDENTS GET 'FOOT IN THE DOOR' By Denise Haley

Cooperative Office Education, more commonly known as COE, is a course that combines classroom office training with actual on-the-job experience. It is taught as a skill center class by Mr. Robert Bernardo.



Mr. Robert Bernardo advises Laura Mylander on a business letter.

The course starts as a two-hour block in the morning with a business English class that centers on grammar and punctuation and a business machines class, which offers experience with adding machines, calculators, transcribing machines and duplicating equipment. Students then go on to take elective or required classes. In the afternoons and occasionally evenings, students are placed on a job that involves secretarial duties. "Most of the girls are working by November," says Mr. Bernardo. "This year, I have a total of 18 students and 15 of them are currently employed. The other three are presently upgrading their skills." Mr. Bernardo confidently adds, "Give me an average, personable stu-

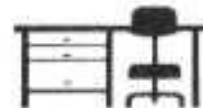
dent with a 45-50 word per minute typing speed and I can place them on a job!"

Mr. Bernardo feels that the COE program is beneficial to take for many reasons. "First of all, the demand is there for business oriented jobs. Secondly, it is a good chance to "get your foot in the door" and gain experience. Finally, it's a good way to earn money for college." COE student Martha Cramer, a secretary at The University of Toledo, says, "I'm receiving experience and learning while I'm finding out if I want to go into that type of career." Connie Hodes, who works as a clerk-typist, feels that she is acquiring "skill along with the ability to cope with different things in life as well as in the business world."

Of course, you can't have your cake and eat it too, so certain sacrifices have to be made in order to take the COE program. Many of the students give up school activities, such as pep assem-

blies and the "B" activity schedule. Others run into scheduling conflicts and have to reject such classes as senior math and AP English. According to a questionnaire given to the COE girls, their obstacle with taking the program is that they sometimes find it difficult to combine both school work and a job. Yet, they feel the experience they are gaining is well worth it.

How are students accepted into this program? Many are selected from the IOE, Junior Business Program, and from the Typing I and II classes. For those selected from the typing classes, a recommendation from the teacher is advisable. The standards for acceptance are set fairly high because the student has to be able to go out into the working world. Also, each student is representing DeVilbiss High School to the public.



Theresa Sanchez and Sharon Tester carefully clean the mimeograph machine.

# SPORTS SECTION

## PREPARED TO MOVE UP

By Matt Covert

What does an 8-7 record say about a team? It says the team didn't have a good or a bad season. This is the record of the JV Basketball Team. Some people say they could have had a better season, but there were obvious problems.

One problem the team has is a lack of intensity at the beginning of the game—in other words, they don't get "fired up." Sometimes it is the fourth quarter before they get going.

Something that really can't be classified as a problem is experimenting. The team has really been doing a lot of that. Another aspect to be looked at is rookie coaching. The young coach, Mr. Ralph Shadee, has learned things he didn't know before, and he will be more ready next year.

Next year, many players from the JV Team will be moving up to varsity and will be ready.

## GRAPPLERS PINNED TO MAT

The DeVilbiss High School Varsity Wrestling Team's dismal record of 0-9 shows that the team is still in the process of rebuilding. Coach Earman Amenta blames the disappointing season on lack of experience and participation.

Out of the 13 positions on a wrestling team, DHS only managed to fill 10. Without the required amount of wrestlers to fill the weight classes, DeVilbiss had to forfeit 21 points per match. Because of these forfeits, the team would literally have to pin 7 out of 10 opponents to win a match.

DeVilbiss' top participants this year\*were seniors, Shawn Talley and Robert Todd; junior, Dave Scott; and Sophomores, John Townsend and David Hawthorne.

Coach Amenta has an optimistic outlook for future wrestling teams at DeVilbiss.

More grapplers are needed on the team, and somewhere in the halls of DeVilbiss men are missing their chance for competitive athletics.

DHS ended its season sixteenth in the city—one ahead of Cardinal Stritch.

## Maids Serve up Encouragement



Kim Puppos Sara Hilfinger  
Nancy Greenwood Charlene Doran

The DeVilbiss Wrestling Team has been supported on and off for the last six years by a group of girls known as Matmaids.

When asked the duties and purposes of these girls, Mr. Dale Pittman, director of athletics, firmly replied, "They are NOT cheerleaders! The girls act as managers at the matches and keep stats. They supply the team with water, towels, and oranges (for nutritional benefits)."

The Maids volunteer their services at the beginning of each season. If, by chance, too many turn out, they are selected by Mr. Pittman, Mr. Carter, and the wrestling coach on the basis of academics, citizenship, and school attitude. No athletes are accepted.

## GIRLS HAVE DOWNFALL

The Girls' Basketball Team finished its regular season with an overall record of 6 wins, 11 losses. It finished fourth in the city league with a record of 6 wins, 7 losses—4 games behind the league leader, Scott.

The team's captain, Barb Richley has turned in her uniform. It has been said that Barb was fed up with the team's attitude. There has been no verification of this rumor.

As Barb was the leading rebounder, her exit has hurt the team.

The team opens the sectional tournaments against Anthony Wayne on February 24.

## LINDLEY AND BOATMAN CONTRIBUTE THEIR SHARE

By David Brown

Dwayne Lindley and James Boatman make big contributions to the DeVilbiss Basketball Team.

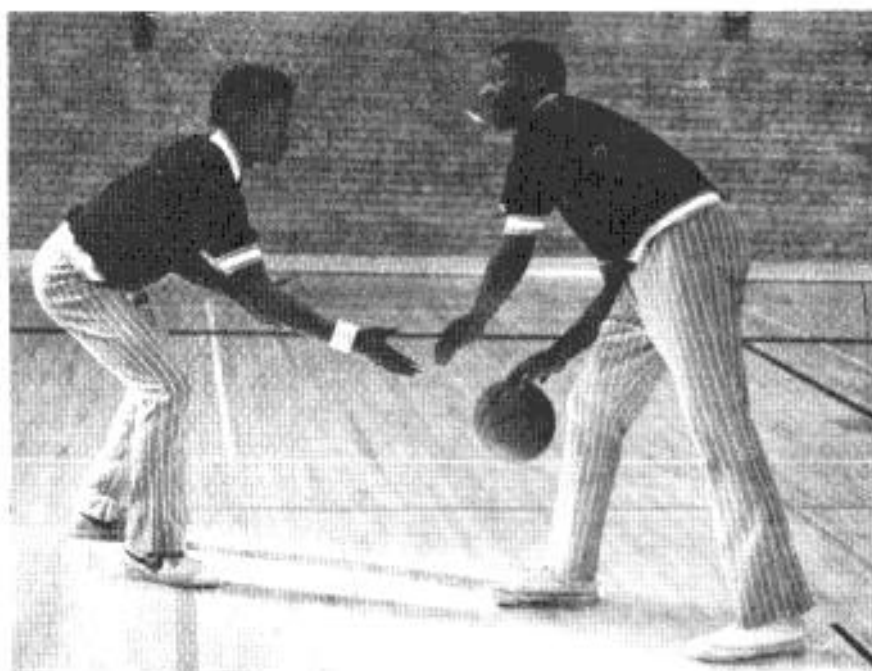
Lindley, a senior, who has been playing basketball for six years, is the fourth leading rebounder on the team after 15 games.

Lindley said that when he first came to DeVilbiss and went out for the freshman team, he got cut; but he just stuck it out and came back his sophomore year and made the Junior Varsity Team.

Dwayne played basketball for McTigue in junior high school and has been playing for DeVilbiss since his sophomore year. His strong points are his inside shooting and rebounding. Dwayne starts at forward position.

Dwayne plans to continue with basketball in college, and he hopes to major in social studies and, possibly, law.

When talking about his coach, Lindley said, "Mr. Gill is a darn good coach because he keeps us playing together."



James Boatman and Dwayne Lindley practice their defense.

James Boatman is one of the eight seniors on the varsity team. He has been playing basketball for seven years. He started playing for DeVilbiss in his freshman year.

Boatman is the second-best defensive player on the team, behind Darryl Murphy, because of his quickness.

Boatman likes playing point guard because it makes him feel relaxed while playing.

James wants to go to college and continue playing basketball, and he plans to major in the business field.

Boatman feels that Coach Gill is a real good spirited coach and that he's one of the best coaches that has come to DeVilbiss in a long time. James said that Coach Gill makes the team work and play together. He says that is something the team never had before.

### BASKETBALL

Boys' Scores		Girls' Scores	
Defiance	62	Bowsher	71
DeVilbiss	64	DeVilbiss	48
St. Johns	62	Woodward	40
DeVilbiss	60	DeVilbiss	26
Waite	48	Whitney	54
DeVilbiss	56	DeVilbiss	44
Dayton	70	Maumee	50
DeVilbiss	59	DeVilbiss	57
Macomber	92	Tigers ranked	
DeVilbiss	59	8th in Blade	
Scott	75	Boys' Prep	
DeVilbiss	54	Poll.	



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