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Happy Christmas
and Merry
Holiday

Modular Scheduling To Be Evaluated

Debate Team Rated First In County

By Jody Greenwald

The North Miami Debate team was rated first in Dade County at a December 3 tournament held at Miami High.

Over the summer, members of the Debate team researched their topic, which resolved that the U.S. jury system should be significantly changed. Research was done at the University of Kansas, the University of Georgia, the University of Ohio, and the University of Miami.

Mark Levy and Kevin Koloff are considered the strongest debaters and make up the swing-team. The swing-team debates in an affirmative-negative cycle, wherein each round they switch to the opposing view.

Kevin Koloff is noted for his unorthodox style in debating, making side jokes and humorous remarks during a serious debate.

"Our strong point is our style," remarked Robin Lamb, president of National Forensic League. "We don't debate like machines — we try to explain things."

Faith Lapidus is also renowned for her style in the Dramatic Interpretation category. She won the Dade County championship in that category for her version of "Alice in Wonderland."

Other top debaters in their categories are: Robin Lumb; Boy's Ex-Temporaneous; Annette Rosenfield, Amy Hackmyer, and Hollis Meyer, Girl's Ex-Temporaneous; Rhonda Pike, Faith Lapidus, Karen Miller, and Karen Zipolski, Dramatic Interpretation; Bonnie Gint, Robert Chitwood, and Nancy Herman, Original Oratory; Pete Collins for Humorous Interpretation.

The debate team has been invited to tournaments such as the L. B. Lattamor Forensic Festival at Mars Hill College in Lawrence, Alabama; the Cherry Blossom Tournament in Georgetown, Washington, and the University of Pittsburgh Invitational Tournament.

Miss Elizabeth Drosdick is head coach of the debate team. Debate is considered the second highest honor society and many debaters have received scholarships.

By Samra Kant

A complete evaluation of modular scheduling at North Miami Senior High will be conducted by the Dade County Superintendent's Office.

Two of the main reasons for the evaluation are questions raised by parents about the learning capacity of students under modular scheduling, and complaints of neighbors about vandalism during school hours. Other complaints were that students wandered around the halls, lack of attendance and resource center absences.

Mr. William Findley, Assistant Principal for Curriculum, is in charge of the evaluation for the school. He has set up special committees with faculty members serving as chairmen.

Among the committees are (1) attendance, designed to compare current attendance records and class skips with records for past years; (2) a committee to compare senior placement scores for the past five years; and (3) a committee to study use of the various resource centers.

Questionnaires will be passed out in January asking students their opinion of modular scheduling.

Mr. Findley, who feels that modular scheduling is a great learning facility for our school, hopes the evaluation will show the advantages of this system.



THE GROVER BOYS holds the crowd together to the tunes of their music at the Pepper Park free concert sponsored by North Miami's Youths for Progress. (photo by Richard Nicoletta)

Better System Devised

District Representative Elections To Be Held

By Terry Kant

This year's Student Council has once again decided to try District Representation at N.M.H.S. District Representatives are elected instead of homeroom officers. There are 17 districts in the N. Miami high vicinity. The number of representatives that can be elected from each district will be determined by population. There will be approximately one

representative for every 100 students.

The reason for failure of this system last year was due to "lack of preparation" and "poor presentation to the students" says chairman Joey Hecht.

This year, members of the student council will be assigned to 12th grade government classes and 11th grade history classes. Tenth graders will be explained

this process by senior consultants. Registration by districts will be one in these classes. This promises to be a lot better than last year's assembly in the auditorium, with everyone registering in homeroom.

Students interested in running for District Representative have to turn in their letter of intent to the chairman. Elections will be held after Christmas.

Sullivan Resigns As Head Football Coach; Will Devote Time As Athletic Director

By David Haberman

Head Coach Ed Sullivan announced at the close of the football season that he will resign from his duties in order to devote himself full-time as Athletic Director.

Sullivan, coming off his worst season as head coach, had a five year record of 22-24-4. This year's 3-7 record put him under the break-even mark.

In 1967, Sullivan took over head coach duties from Red Bogart and guided North Miami to a 4-6 record. However, three of those losses were by a total of four points.

In 1968, with Jose Rios developing, and Bob Scoles and John Florio already attaining star status, Sullivan turned in a respectable 4-2-4 record. In that year the Pioneers lost a



Coach Sullivan

heartbreaker to Norland 14-13, and to Coral Gables 21-14, which kept them from going undefeated.

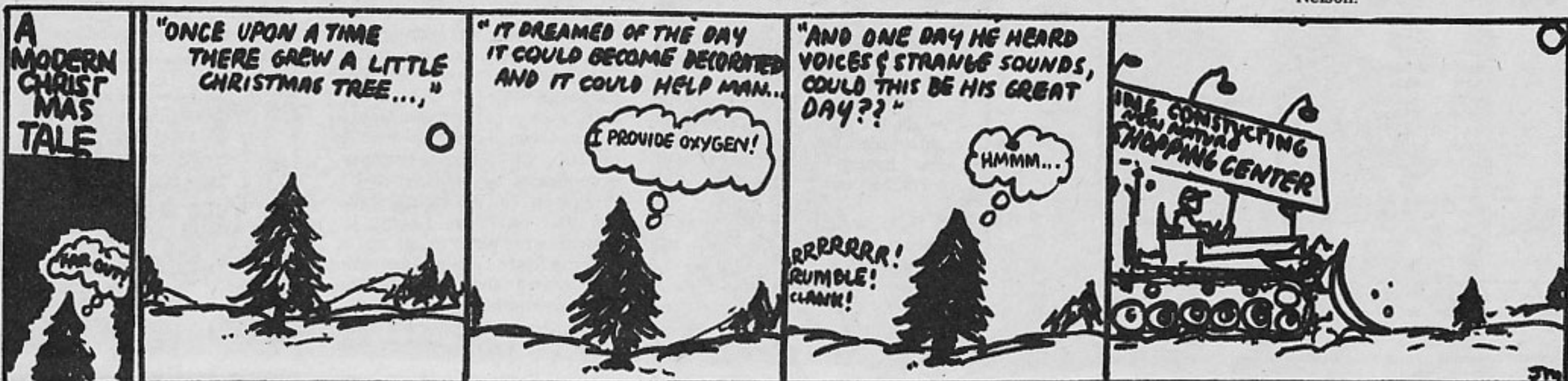
One of Coach Sullivan's proudest and finest seasons was 1969. The Pioneers finished 6-4, and Jose Rios sparkled as the team's quarterback. Not only did Coach Sullivan beat the Vikings that year, but he brought his troops to Gainesville and thumped the Hurricanes 28-20.

But perhaps the most satisfying win of all time came this season. North Miami topped the Vikings 10-7, on a spectacular pass catch by Pat Dougherty late in the game. This proved to be the only blemish on Norland's record. Currently they are seeking the state championship and have already reached the semi-finals.

Honor Society Inducts 15 New Members

National Honor Society, composed of students with a 4.0 average or higher in addition to displaying personal character, leadership, and scholarship potential, inducted 15 new members including juniors Janet Hall, Barbara Mauger, Pandora Puckett, Richard Stark, Karen Bechuck, Kevin Koloff, Mark Sipe, and seniors Joyce Resnick, Mark Trach, John Salmon, Alana Aarons, Eugene Witkin, Jay Shuster, Robert Chitwood, and David Oliphant.

Under the direction of its sponsor, Mr. William Findley, NHS is planning a school tutorial service. Old members remaining in the club are President Ralph Ragan, Vice-President Beth Sassenoff, Secretary Debbie Levine, Treasurer Bruce Rubin, and Rick Nelson.





WRITE ON!

Alan Bernstein

Night Owl's Lament

At the ripe old age of 17 (and a half) I've just begun to realize that already, one quarter of my life is passed and gone. And even more depressing is the fact that one third of all that has been wasted. I was sleeping. As much as I like to nod into the delicious land of the sandman, why should I, a person with thousands of things yet to be done, have to spend my time in such an idle manner?

So one night, with these thoughts in mind, I decided to skip the senseless ceremony of slumber. I wish there was some pill that could supply the necessary hours of sleep. Being that the people at Bayer have not invented one yet, I decided to do the next best thing — stay up.

This was not easy. One needs a ten gallon coffee pot, loaded with caffeine, to make that kind of journey.

I was ready to embark upon the deep odyssey into mother night ... to go out and quit wasting time. But there was nowhere to go. Everyone else was asleep.

Being a one-time night owl is enlightening, though. Do you think that the world stops when you go to sleep? Fool! At midnight, Mao-Tse Tung is eating lunch. And just outside the window, while all of you are possibly drowning in your water beds, the business world of travel rolls on on noisy steel wheels. Dogs bark. Trains blow their whistles. Motorcycles backfire up on the highway. Every minute fourteen babies are born. People get hurt. Your heart throbs several times. Beat Birth Birth Birth Throb Birth Birth Birth Death Birth Birth Birth. There! One minute is completed. (Birth Birth Birth).

Silence is unattainable. The night light flickers. The refrigerator groans. The symphony of electricity just flows and flows. Even the nose performs its daily services — smell the jasmine blooming? No rest for the wicked ... or even me the nocturnal one.

So, I'll go outside and learn my lesson from the jasmine. I'll close my mind and fold into myself when the first rays of dawn appear. I'll fall to the ground and relax into the sticky dew.

And don't wake me up 'til noon.

A Mechanized Holiday

By Dawne Widener

In this age of technology, there is little time to look for tradition in anything. Those who still want tradition, are either in the minority, or are afraid to speak up. And so, we are left with another mechanized holiday season, full of people running around at the last minute to buy gifts, not giving a thought to their meaning.

Where Santa ever came into the spotlight on a religious holiday is beyond me. There's just another example of changes, and the deletion of traditional things. We see Santa Clauses in every store, and the children asking, "Which one is real?" All the kids know is that Xmas is coming soon, and they know that jolly fat man will slide down their chimney (if they don't have one, he'll simply walk through the

front door) bringing lots of goodies for everyone.

When you realize what has happened to Christmas, then you ask yourself if anything is left that still bears tradition. What is left that has not been changed by man's instinct to renew, refresh, and recultivate? Everything doesn't have to change for the sake of modernization.

The boogie man comes around in the dead of the night to take care of all the bad kids.

Can you imagine a child who grows up never finding out that there are no such things as Santa, The Easter Bunny, the Tooth Fairy, the Boogie Man, believing forever that he'll always get just what he wants come Xmas? But technically I suppose you could call these creatures a tradition ... is that the kind we want to keep?

"Any Day Now ... I Shall Be Released"

By Alan Bernstein

"Sometimes I think the world is just a prison yard: some of us are prisoners, some of us are guards." The quote is from the song George Jackson by musical genius Bob Dylan (alias Robert Zimmerman). Dylan's lyrics are eerie and cryptic by the fact that they sum up the public eye so well. In the past, Dylan has touched on the roots of revolution ("you don't need a weatherman to know which way the wind blows"), labor ("twenty years of schooling and they put you on the day shift"), corruption and crime ("to live outside the law you must be honest"), and life's philosophies ("so if you see your neighbor carrying something, help him with his load, and don't go confusing paradise for the house across the road").

The simple allegory behind Dylan's latest folk-lyric comment is a valuable one. In any situation, there is always the oppressed and the oppressor. This happens in the business world, in school, and even in sexual relationships.

But the face value meaning of the song's quote is a heavyweight winner for today's issues.

Cellblock D is cordoned off. The inmates are holding five hostages. They have issued a list of demands, some of which include better eating conditions, materials for religious expression, and basic human treatment from the staff.

The incident has many ugly roots, but the terms used have been heard before ... Attica, hostage, knife, tear gas, State Prison, riot, Raiford ... and the words will probably be heard again on the daily news.

"Inside the walls, the Walls of Redwing, stay far from the fence with electricity sting," ... another Dylan song cries the refrain of confinement.

When a man transgresses against society, he is obviously confined to a prison (at least in most countries) and he spends a large portion of his life filling up the empty hours with cheap novels and woven baskets.

The missing word is "rehabilitation." It seems that it should be common sense that when a man is convicted of a crime, his society should assist him in returning. This should be done with emotional and physical help too, but somehow solitary confinement just doesn't supply the needed treatment.

Luckily, our country has realized this, and they are working on the problem bit by bit. Just a few years ago, one out of every five prisoners had no more than a fifth grade education. A new system of education has been implemented, but education must remain a secondary concern when the physical being is still mistreated, or when we've still got horror houses like the "Tombs" prison in New York.

Our overall attitude and phrasing about prisons is also in need of change. We must think of our convicts as men who are on the way back to society, not as men who have been sent away ... "and the times they are a-changin'."



Seniors Retested As Doubt Lingers

By Jeff Mell

The senior class of '72 at North Miami High School experienced a mysterious disappearance, no not a library book or school tape recorder, but the twelfth grade senior placement answer sheets. That's right the four and a half hour test the seniors took in October was lost!

When the frantic seniors heard the bad news they wanted to know exactly what had happened. How did the senior placement answer sheets get misplaced? A school spokesman recounted it this way.

A van took a total of 16 boxes, 15 filled with the test questions and one containing the answer sheets. The van went to Florida State University instead of the University of Florida. Since the tests were not supposed to be in Tallahassee but in Gainesville, they were immediately shipped to their correct destination. When the boxes finally arrived in Gainesville, 15 of the 16 were there. You guessed it, the box containing the answer sheets had mysteriously vanished.

North Miami Senior High was notified three weeks prior to Mr. Boggy's informative speech telling all of us about the unfortunate incident. It seems students were not informed earlier because the school was hopefully awaiting good news that the answer sheets were found. News came alright, but the news was so bad that some seniors broke into tears, others fretted, and some even refused to retake the test.

Since we cannot put the blame on any individual or the school, let's discuss other aspects concerning the testing. It was not the students' fault that the tests were lost, but it was the students who had to suffer. The testing had to be made up in the school auditorium which is the worst place in our school to take a four and a half hour test. Lap boards had to be used and the chairs were most uncomfortable. For the people who say that the senior testing in previous years was always taken in the auditorium, I say the students should not have been spoiled by luxuries in the first place. To take an important test that counts so heavily to seniors who plan to go to a Florida State college I believe that taking that test in the library or another comfortable room is very unfair and inconsiderate.

We are told that statistics show that when you retake a test you score a higher percent. Statistics do not mention anything about the surroundings involving the test. When a person takes a test in comfortable surroundings it is common sense that he will do better than if he took the test in antiquated surroundings.

The solution to this problem could have been handled this way. Sophomores and juniors could have been given a day off which could have been made up at a later date. This way seniors could have made up the testing in the original designated areas where they first took the test. It is realized that this was not done because of North Miami High's lack of concern. This decision could not have been made by the administrators of our school but by Dr. Whigham the Superintendent of our school system. I believe he should have been notified immediately about this and discussed it to the advantage of our very unfortunate seniors. After all, it was bad enough the seniors had to take the test over, but to take them in the auditorium was an unnecessary hardship.

The mental outlook of the seniors going into the testing was very poor. Some seniors even thought that the tests would be lost again. Other seniors just did not like the idea of going through the testing all over again and even a few believed that they would be penalized by the colleges to which they have applied. They believe that the colleges have already received other high school placement scores, and by the time colleges receive North Miami's, the requirements might be higher. But these students have been told not to worry by the school faculty and administrators, but after all, these individuals have already completed college and it's our future, not theirs at stake!



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Aesop's Latest Fable: The Little Brick Schoolhouse

By Kenneth Goodman

"It's broccoli dear."
"I say its spinach and I say the hell with it."

—E. B. White

Once upon a time there was a little brick schoolhouse.

The boys and girls that lived in the neighborhood went to this school. The schoolmaster 'taught' the children the way he thought best.

One day the schoolmaster was paid a visit by a man who owned a candy factory. He told the schoolmaster that it would be a good idea if they were to have a test, and to the boys and girls that did the best would come all the candy they could eat.

But the test had to be fair, of course. The schoolmaster and the candy factory owner decided that the best way to do this would be to have all the children come to the schoolhouse at the sunrise. They would sit on wooden crates. They would place one leg on the shoulder of the boy or girl in front of them and rest the test paper on a board (generously provided by the schoolmaster) which was balanced on the other leg. The people in the front would do the same thing, only to themselves.

The test would have questions like, "How far will a rock sink in the ocean?" and "Which of the last 19 presidents liked trees best?" In this way, only the brightest, cleverest, and most deserving students would get the candy.

All the while the preparations were being made the schoolmaster was telling the students about the virtues of the candy factory and its products. Some of the children became worried that

they might not do well. "That's all right," said the schoolmaster. "This is the best neighborhood in the county. Even without candy, you might be able to make out later on."

Well, they finally took the test. And now they had to wait, in order to see who the lucky ones were. Of course, the candy factory workers were to score the tests. After all, some of the children may come to work at the factory some day.

The schoolmaster's brother was to make sure the candy factory people received the tests to grade them. He was something of a secretary you could say. He was a sincere person who was genuinely interested in the welfare of the students. However, he was the last person the schoolmaster should have picked to do the job.

You see, though being nice and all, he was very foolish. He wasn't sure about where the factory was nor even about the best way to send the tests there.

Well, as you might have guessed, the tests were lost somewhere along the way. At least, that is what the schoolmaster's brother said. But then again, if he himself lost them, you could not expect him to admit it? Could you?

Anyway, since the tests meant so much to the candy factory owner, he decided that they would have to be taken again. When the students heard this, they were very upset. They remembered the wooden crates, the twisted arms, and the sprained crotches. They also began to think that maybe the candy man and the schoolmaster were not telling the truth about

all the candy and the fair chances. But they had always been told not to lie, so this could not be true.

Be that as it may, the children once again; because they let the foolish, kind, incompetent schoolmaster's brother send the tests

off; once again arose before sunrise, settled in their positions, filled in little squares for four and one-half hours, and answered questions like, "How far will a rock sink in the ocean?" and "Which of the last 19 presidents liked trees the most?"

The schoolmaster and the candy factory man and the schoolmaster's brother really should have been more careful and figured out their tests the first time.

For this time the children did not care.

Miss Teenage Miami

NM's Renee Sweeney City Representative



Renee Sweeney

Renee Sweeney, a junior from North Miami High School, represented the City of Miami at the Miss Teenage America Pageant from November 26 - December 4. Her sponsors, Burdine's and Dr. Pepper, were on hand, along with Channel 4 News to see her off to Fort Worth, Texas, for competition with 55 other representatives from across the country and Puerto Rico.

Upon her arrival, she received the royal treatment from the limousine right on down to the red carpet! A Fourth of July celebration greeted her with all the makings of a parade; bands, pom pom girls, the local press, and a key to the City of Fort Worth from the Mayor.

Laden with many gifts including the coveted Miss Teenage America medal which bears the inscription "Honor, Integrity, and Leadership," the girls proceeded to a welcome banquet and never stopped moving from then on. The week's activities included parties, dinners, interviews, judging, rehearsal, a special carnival; in fact, everything but sleep!

December 3 came and with it the Miss Teenage America Pageant. At its close, past winner Rewa Walsh stepped down from her throne to allow the new Miss Teenage America, Mary Colleen Fitzpatrick of Ohio, to take the scepter.

Even though Renee did not win the Miss Teenage America title, there are few people who would label her anything but a winner.

Follies Back With NFL

Forensic Follies is back with the National Forensic League this year and they predict it will be bigger and better than ever.

There will be no entry fee for clubs or individual contestants. The audience will view a better show because performers will have been auditioned by an NFL committee. So far, those auditioned include dancers, singers, pantomimists, impressionists, comedians, bands and a guitarist who plays the harmonica.

The admission price has not yet been determined, but it will be minimal for all the excitement listed above, plus other surprises. Refreshments will be sold in the lobby, and there will be an intermission.



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CLUB ACTIVITIES By BRUCE RUBIN

By Bruce Rubin

O.K. fans ... here we go: and I even have some genuine club news this month. I wish that I had more but them's the breaks. For those who submitted copy, we have:

S.C.C. assigning bulletin boards to all Service Clubs to maintain rather than cluttering the clip board which will remain for Interest Club and Honor Society use. If this is to be run as they do at Miami Senior High, we can expect to see some fine examples of cave art staring back at us from all sides each morning.

Candles are being (or have been) sold by CHORUS, large for \$2.50 and small for \$1.25 and by RUSSIAN CLUB with their annual nose ticklers.

SUB DEBS will be providing a Christmas tree for the Cafeteria and probably Xmas corsages for the teachers. In addition they will be throwing an Alumni party and a party for Big Sisters.

Sales and more sales. HONOR GUARD, Poly Fluff Animals at \$1.25, \$2.50 and \$3.50. CBE Octopi (Octopuses?) for 75c. CDE Towels (I don't know the cost). COSMETOLOGY Manicures 50c

or just 5c a finger. A.F.S. (American Field Service) Christmas cards for the foreign exchange program are being sold by PREPS, SUB DEBS, and HONORIA. KEY Club Xmas ball tickets, a little late but they still may sell you a few if you aren't wary and INTERACT directories wrap up the list of sales.

HONORIA will go Christmas carolling at local convalescent homes and hospitals bringing presents for the kiddies delivered by Mr. and Mrs. S. Claus. Their continuing projects include cleaning the frog pond monthly and baking for the North Dade Children's Center daily. This month they are holding a party at the Children's Center along with an Alumni party. Also remember their singing Valentines coming in February.

Along with decorating the English Resource Centers and placing red Xmas bows around the school, PREPS brought Christmas trees and/or Chanukah bushes to help foster the holiday spirit at school. To help do the same abroad they collected books for our servicemen in Vietnam.



Karen Kathlynas

CBE Student New Governor

Karen Kathlynas has been elected District 10 Governor of the Cooperative Education Clubs of Florida. The election took place at the Cooperative Business Education Conference at the Everglades Hotel November 16. Karen is also vice president of CBE at North Miami. Through the program, she is currently employed as a bookkeeper's assistant at the County Second National Bank.

The governor's responsibilities for the one-year term include the active representation of the 37 clubs in our area. Karen recently traveled to Clearwater for a district meeting.

Several recommendations were required from school administrators before Karen ran for the high office.

I Don't Exist . . .

. . . Nothing to Lose

By Evan Lewis

My name is Richard Murphy but that is of no importance. I'm an average man of average means, but that doesn't matter either. Thing is, for some time now I've been following the readings of Ronald Chase, a man who says there is no reality and that nothing exists. Well, I got to thinking about it and I've just made a little experiment on my own and it worked. I looked at a fountain pen and said "You don't exist." Guess what? It disappeared like it had never been there and all that was left was a little paper that read "fountain pen"! What an astounding discovery! Man, let's see if it works on other things. "You don't exist." My chair just disappeared and left a little paper reading "chair." Let's see, that table ...

It's evening now. My apartment is mostly pieces of paper but I don't care. I'm dizzy with the amount of power I have. I'm going to try it on a living thing now.

There's an ant crawling across the floor. "You don't exist." It's gone. But now there's no little piece of paper. Why? Maybe it's because it was a living thing. I don't know but I'm going to find out.

I'm out on a walk. There's a mangy dog coming this way. "Here, doggy, doggy! Here, you mangy mutt. You don't exist!" He let out a yelp and then he disappeared.

Good God! If I can do it on a dog, maybe a human being...

I'm at work now. My boss has just walked in. That old goat has been the reason why I haven't gone up the social scale. "Murphy! You're late for work the last time." Maybe it will work on... "Murphy! Pay attention!" "Shut up! You don't exist!" He gave me a look of horror and disappeared. Hey! I'm in his office! And, my name's on the door! I'm the boss now! He never existed. Hell, I can get to the top of the social ladder this way...

I'm now the president of the company and a millionaire. Tonight I'm holding a party in honor of the man who started me thinking and helped me to get to where I am. Here he comes now. "How are you, my dear fellow!" We've been talking now for half an hour. "I truly believe in what you preach." "My dear sir" he cries "you don't actually believe the crap I teach!" "Why, why, yes I do. Don't you?" "No, No, No. I just do it for the money." "You fake! You don't believe it!" I start shaking him. He yells "Get away from me, you madman!" I let him go and yell "None of you exist! You're not real!"

I stare in horror. "The world doesn't exist! Nothing does! NOTHING!"

Hey, wh-where am I? There's nothing around me. It's strange. I'm nowhere. But, if nothing else exists, then I don't exist...

Students Join In 'Attack on Dirt'

Mr. Boggy called our November clean up day a big success.

Most of the students and all of the service clubs got together and cleaned up the whole school. The offices were cleaned, the windows were washed, and the floor was cleaned.

Mr. Duncan called it an attack on dirt and had all the T.V.

stations and newspapers come out to cover the "attack."

Mr. Boggy who had a palm tree stolen, got it returned by two young gentlemen. Nobody knows where it came from.

There was garden work done around the school, trees were planted, the leaves were raked and grass was watered.

Most of the teachers had their jeans on and the students had their coveralls on and all pitched in and helped clean the school.

There were also a few students who had their kicks, by having windex fights, up and down the halls. They also had fun dumping buckets of water on each other's heads and taking a portable shower as they cleaned the school.

Now, if you don't call that having pride in the school — I don't know what you would call it!

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Twins Have Double Trouble

By Manuel Serra-Jovenich

What's it really like to be a twin? Is it really as much fun as it looks? What are the problems of being one? These were just a few of the questions which intrigued me — therefore, I decided to interview twins.

My "doubles" were Janet and Carol Raskin, sophomores at NM. I have known them now for three years, therefore, they were very cooperative with me, answering all the questions I could think of. Since Janet's schedule presented a better opportunity for me to ask her questions, the main person is her, and all the questions are answered by her in contrast to her sister.

I will confess something though, until late into the interview, when I first talked to them I was not sure who I was talking to.

Do you consider yourself lucky being born a twin?

"Sometimes yes, sometimes no. When you are a twin you get a lot of attention and a lot of people know about you."

Does this bother you? I asked.

"No, for in a way you get double everything. I get to go twice the places I would generally go to."

What problems has being a twin caused you?

"The main problem, as you might have expected, is that they keep mistaking us for each other, and day after day I keep hearing the same question, 'Which one of the two are you?'"

But does it bother you when they do mistake you?

"You get immune to it," she replied immediately, but said that when it happens 10 times a day it's a bit of a hassle for her.

If people mistook them physically, I wondered if their personalities were also mistaken as alike?

"Yes, all the time. They take it for granted that we are alike in more ways than our looks. They expect our personalities to match our looks. In a way, they expect us to be alike because they don't know us well enough."

I have heard that twins always try to compete against each other, is this true in your case? "No" was the only answer I could get out of her, but I persued the matter by asking her whether they always seemed to try to surpass each other's accomplishments.

"That's true, but Carol and my interests are different, so they don't conflict with each other's, and as for school, we have different subjects and teachers."

Strange as this question might sound to you since you do look alike, are you jealous of your

sister in any way?

"I would not rate it as jealousy, but as envy. Like any other sister, she does some things better than I, just as I do some things better than her. For example, she dances much better than me, therefore, I envy her for that."

Do you dress the same as your sister?

"We always used to until we were in the seventh grade." What happened then? "I got tired of hearing things like 'here come the twins, all dressed alike.' I wanted them to know us as individuals, not as a pair."

Have you ever switched places?

"Yes, I remember once in elementary we did it without anybody discovering it except my best friend."

Are you independent of your sister?

"Yes, because I want to be independent. One day I just got tired of doing everything Carol was doing, things like dressing alike, going places together and just hanging around each other."

Has being a twin caused you any boy problems?

"No, it hasn't really caused that many problems for the simple reason that we have different tastes and ideas about guys."

So you mean to tell me that the same type of boy does not appeal to both of you?

"No, basically we both like cute guys who resemble the typical American dream boy, but Carol will like the quieter, intellectual type, while I personally prefer the wilder party-going type."

Even so, have you ever argued over the same boy?

"Well, yes. In this one case this boy mistook us for the other and accidentally kissed the wrong one."

Do you ever seem to be doing or thinking the same thing at the same time?

"Yes, we sometimes seem to be thinking about the same thing at exactly the same time. For

example, just the other day we both said at exactly the same time — 'Why don't we have a party?' This is just one example of the many times it has happened."

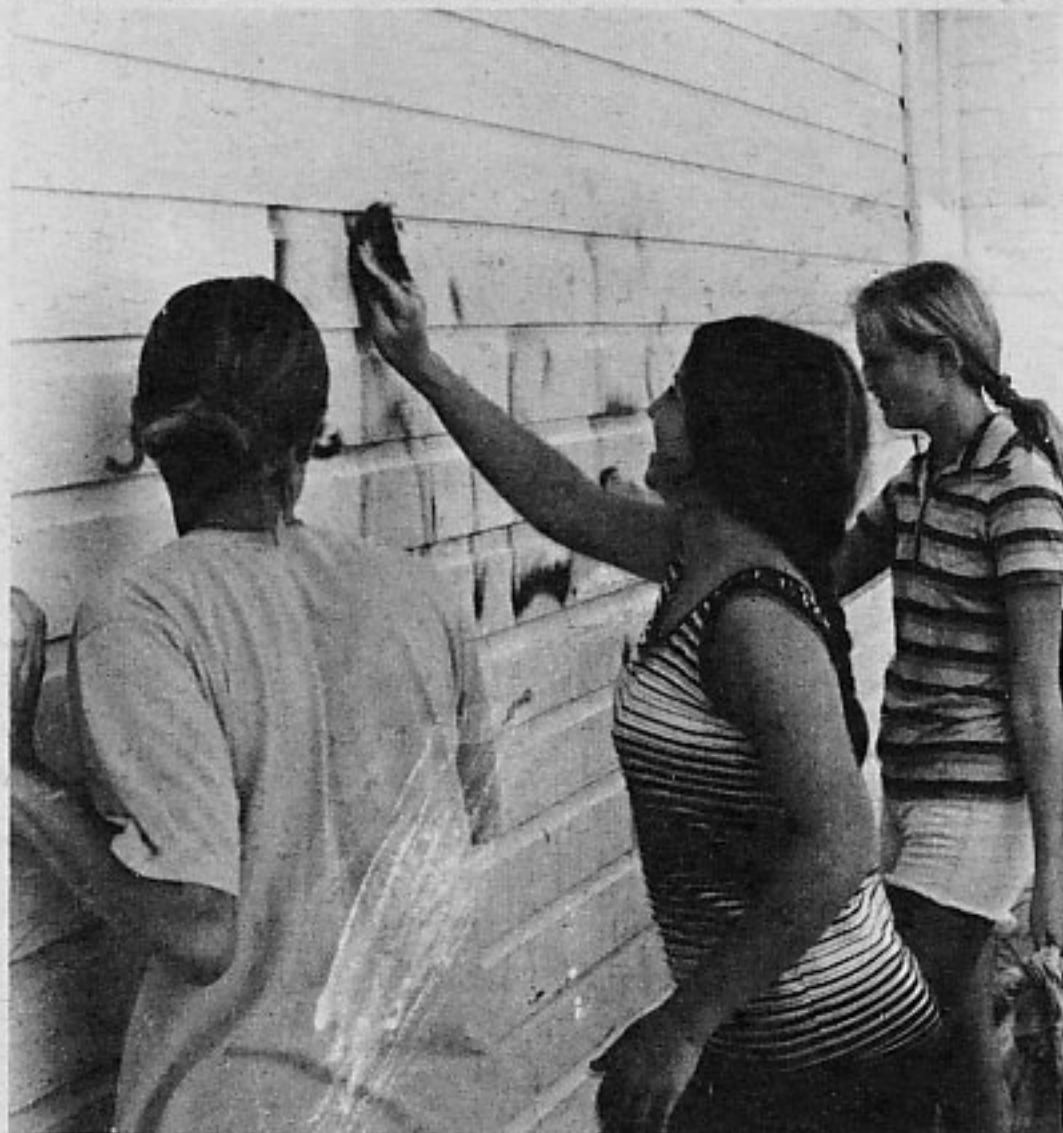
Do people take advantage of twins?

"Yes, definitely. We are always expected to share our things, which is not fair to us."

Has there ever been any other twins in your family?

"Yes, both of my father's brothers have twins. One has a girl and a boy, the other two boys."

After this interview I have come to understand that a day in the life of a twin is not as glamorous as I thought it might be; in fact, it's a bit drastic. I bet we all have wanted to have been twins at least once in our lives — but now we know, it's not as simple as it sounds. Problems seem to double, including no personality of your own, according to your friends. Yes, being twins is fun, but not without its "double troubles."



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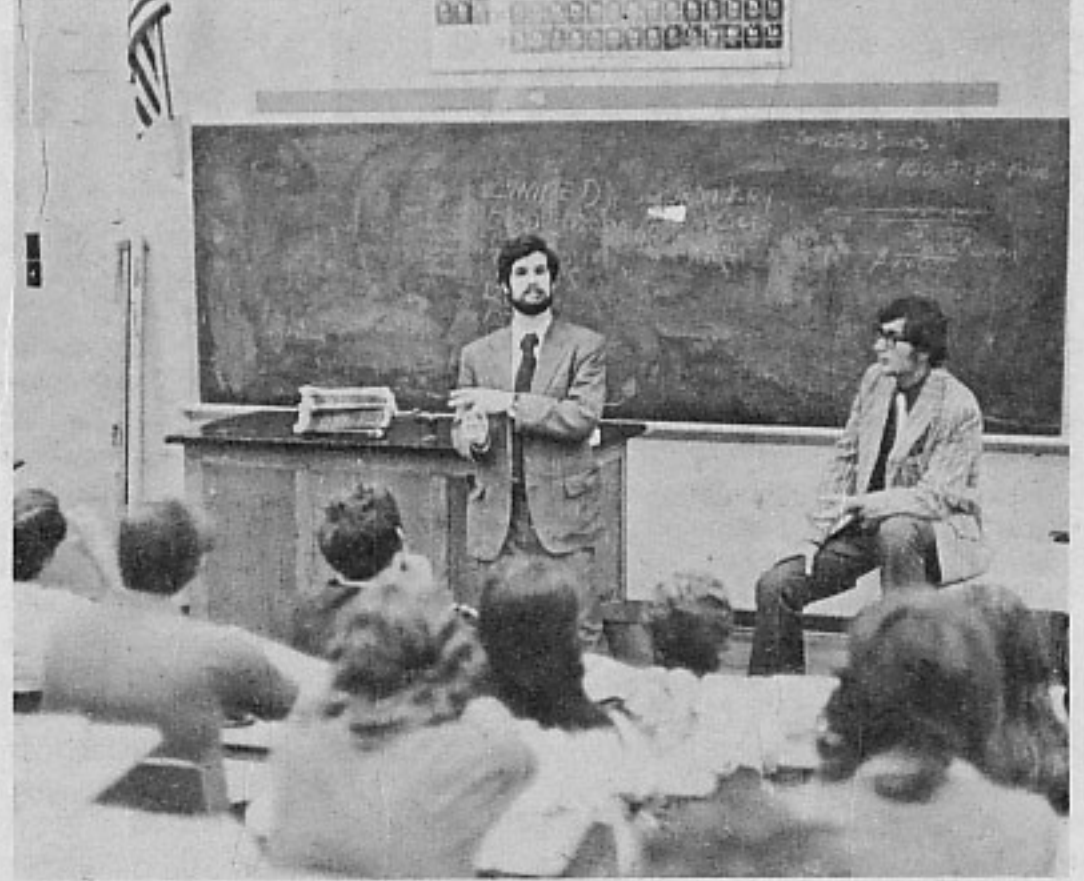
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Fontainebleau For June 2 Prom

The Junior-Senior Prom will be held June 2, 1972, at the Fontainebleau, junior class president Skippy Straus announced.

"They have provided us with excellent facilities in the past. Anyone interested in helping with the Prom should contact Kathy Battillo, Jeff Flit or me," Skippy said.

He also said that in order for the Prom to be a success, students must support the Junior Class magazine drive.



THE MAKING OF THE PRESIDENT 1972—Kevin Sullivan, Muskie aide, spoke to Social Studies students recently.

photo by Harry Jay Siskind

Ex Beatles Still Tops In Music World

By Stuart P. Schuster

Since their introduction to the worldwide music scene almost a decade ago, the Beatles have completely dominated contemporary music. John Lennon and Paul McCartney, two of the greatest composers since Rogers and Hammerstein, Leonard Bernstein, and Andre Kostelanetz, have proven themselves tops in the field of pop music. Together, their music represented symbolism, deep emotion, and life in general.

Now since the Beatles have broken up and gone their separate ways, they have still individually allowed their music to make its presence known on

the charts. Top selling singles, as well as best selling LP's have kept John Lennon, Paul McCartney, George Harrison, and Ringo Starr a major part of the pop music scene. Countless artists in all fields of music have used the Beatles as a basis for their basic theme.

John Lennon, whose latest endeavor is the smashing "Imagine," shows his greatness as both a lyricist and a composer in his latest album. "Imagine" is mostly a finely tailored collection of ballads with the unique Lennon style. The subtleness of his lyrics that was evident in his works with McCartney, convey the philosophical message that gave

Beatle music its own unique flair. Lennon effectively puts messages in his music and at the same times makes it meaningful and relevant. Unlike McCartney's collection of finger-snapping, toe-tapping dittys in "Ram," Lennon makes his music say something.

Although McCartney's music is catchy, as is Harrison's "All Things Must Pass," it lacks the timely flair of Lennon. Harrison's arrangement of neatly composed songs depicting different aspects of music again fits into the same style category as McCartney.

Individuals have their own personal styles but as in the case of the Beatles, it is often fascinating to imagine how composers of such caliber found each other in the slums of Liverpool and went on to become a legend in contemporary music.

Muskie Aide Discusses Favorite Candidate

By Michael Bast

Kevin Sullivan, one of Senator Muskie's campaign managers, spoke at North Miami November 19 to acquaint students with "his" Democratic candidate.

Mr. Sullivan, who is about 25, wore a jacket and tie and a well-cut beard. He distributed literature to the social studies classes. There were about 40 in attendance, and Mr. Gulkis introduced him.

Mr. Sullivan spoke in a relaxed, free and easy manner. At the beginning of his talk he asked the audience how many would be 18. One young man called out from the back, "Well... eventually!" It turned out only one would be 18 by the elections, and with that encouraging bit of votesmanship, he let fly for about 45 minutes.

He spoke about how it would be a tight race and if Muskie had a black running mate he couldn't get elected. He said a Gallup Poll recently found 24 percent would not vote for a black under any circumstances.

After Mr. Sullivan spoke about Muskie's "Mr. Clean" image, which he got from working on the Pollution Control Committee, he had a question and answer period.

Q. — What will be the two major issues of the coming election?

A. — They are still the war and the economy. If Nixon's economic policy works, Muskie won't get elected. If it doesn't, he will. People want to get this country back on its feet again.

Q. — Which candidate will give Muskie the most trouble in getting the Presidential nomination?

A. — I think Kennedy and Humphrey will.

Q. — What about McGovern?

A. — He hasn't got the vote-getting appeal that Muskie does although they do stand the same on some of the major issues.

Q. — Is Muskie in favor of an all-volunteer army?

A. — No. That way you wouldn't get a cross-section of the people. It would be primarily certain groups that would enlist.

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Punts	9-39	7-22	7-22

By David Haberman

Like a gambler who has been losing all night, the North Miami Pioneers put it on the line for one final roll ... and it came up seven.

In front of a screaming throng of 1,750 JC spectators the Pioneers methodically wore down the smaller inexperienced Chiefs, with a vicious running attack and staunch defense.

North Miami almost equalled its total point output for the whole year and equally spread its four touchdowns among four different players.

KEN DAWSON supplied some first quarter excitement when he scooped up a block punt and sprinted 19 yards untouched into the end zone. Eddie King penetrated the Chief defense and a high center snap aided the speedy linebacker on his way to blocking the punt.

CAROL CITY came back with some antics of its own reminiscent of last year's meeting. Joe Smith huffed and wheezed his way 90 yards to near collapse, but the joy of breaking loose for a big one overshadowed the exhaustion that plagued the speedy kick-off returner.

The Chiefs (1-9) tried for the two point conversion but the pass from Westcott to Nichols was mishandled.

NORTH MIAMI spread the margin to seven points, when it put together a 64 yard march in 13 plays. Quarterback Steve Pappas completed several 3rd down passes in the drive that sent North Miami downfield late in the first quarter. On 3rd and 5 from the Carol City 45, Pappas found Donald Ford slanting across to the right sideline, after Eldridge Mitchell cleared the way for him under double coverage. This set a first down at the 31.

Here, Pappas made like a running back picking up 19 yards on three carries down to the 12.

Mitchell again was open, this time in the end zone, but he was interfered with by defensive back Ken Suringer, giving the Pioneers first and goal from the 6. Pappas ran the option around right side and bulled his way the remaining 6 yards for the score. Earl Cody's extra point attempt was blocked.

Turnovers played a major role in setting up touchdowns for North Miami; something they've been used to doing, rather than receiving. But this time they received the breaks. Derk Rushing recovered a Westcott fumble on the 2 yard line that set up the touchdown burst of fullback Carlos Alvarez. This time Cloyd's extra point was good and the Pioneers took a commanding 20-6 lead into the fourth quarter.

SONNY SMITH, recovering from a broken hand, frustrated the passing efforts of the Chiefs' Westcott. Smith intercepted two passes, one in the fourth quarter that helped set up North Miami's final score of the year. That scoring play resulted when Pappas threw to Pat Hadley in the flat on a 7 yard screen pass. "There was no way I wasn't getting into that end zone," replied Hadley, a favorite with Trax Powell and the Florida A&M recruiters.

During the last few seconds of the game, North Miami players ripped to shreds the "North Miami 60-2, We remember you" banner. North Miami ends up 1-1 in spoiling the opposition's homecomings, and 3-7 overall.

Miller Optimistic About Bloom, Ramsey, Flit

By Dawne Widener

Swinging into action, the 1971-72 Golf Team at North Miami plans a season which looks to be a great success. Last summer they played in the Dade Amateur Jr. Golf League, and the four who played from NM made the All-Star Team for the '71-'72 season. In this league, John Ramsey was chosen as the Most Outstanding Player.

Mr. George Miller, coach, is especially pleased to have such a good team this year. "There are only four lettermen chosen each year, and this year we have three returning," he said brightly. The three lettermen are: Bill Bloom who plays for Miami Shores Country Club, John Ramsey, and Jeff Flit, who play for North Dade. The whole team consists of seven players, with three Seniors, and four Juniors.

Practice is being held at a new

course, Skylake, which is the best kept and most difficult in the area.

Bill Bloom, captain of the team, has just won the annual Match Play Tournament. This consists of twelve matches played among the team.

On December 15, the coaches will get together from all the Dade County high schools, and schedule the matches for this season. Last year's team won five conference games and three non-conference.

Coming up soon, is the Jr. Orange Bowl Tournament, which is being held Dec. 26-30 at the Biltmore Country Club. Bloom, Ramsey, Schaffer, and Flit will all be playing in this tournament. North Miami has filled four of the sixteen slots open from Dade County. Listed below is the team and the scores which qualified them for the upcoming tournament.

Soccer Comes Back to NM

By Tom Schaffer

For the past two years NM has not had a Soccer team, but it is coming back this year as a Varsity sport with a twelve game schedule.

The coach for the Soccer team is Sal Bello, who is also head J.V. football coach.

The team started practice the day after Thanksgiving. The practice consists of calisthenics, a lot of running, kicking and heading drills, and a scrimmage where they split up the team and play a game. The team was cut down to 28 players on Dec. 6 after 40 guys came out for the team. The team is made up mostly of Juniors and Sophomores with a few Seniors. Five players from the football team made the Soccer team. They are John Spencer, Harold Pinder, Jerry Hudson, Steve Khertov, and Tom Schaffer.

The team will have a hard schedule, playing teams that have had Soccer as a varsity sport for many years.

They will play five home games, so come out and support our team.



Soccer Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time	Where
Jan. 5	Killian	3:30	Away
Jan. 13	Miami High	3:30	Away
Jan. 20	Gables	3:30	Home
Jan. 27	Coral Park	3:30	Away
Feb. 2	Northwestern	3:30	Home
Feb. 9	Springs	3:30	Home
Feb. 17	Edison	3:30	Away
Feb. 23	Carol City	3:30	Away
Feb. 26	Miami Lakes	10:00 A.M.	Home
Mar. 1	Southwest	3:30	Home
Mar. 9	Central	3:30	Away
Mar. 15	Beach	8:00 P.M.	Away

Girls and Boys Score For Bowling Combine, 17-2-1

By Larry Blustein

The Pioneer girls' and boys' bowling teams have rolled their way to the top.

The girls', led by Captain Sue Malone, with a 172 average, have won 9 and lost 1. Sue and her teammates have produced one of the best teams here at North Miami. Other leading girl bowlers are Nancy Perricone, with a 170 average, Karen Intacosa, with a 170 average, and Linda Wesche, with a 150 average.

The remaining team members who have contributed to their great success are Cathy Covall, Debbie Wienberg, and Connie Urbana.

The boys' team has compiled a 8-1-1 record behind the great performances of Stan Spray, with a 180 average, Captain Jim Rose, with a 170 average, and Rory Stein with a 169 average. Other bowlers who have brought the Pioneers to the top are: Jim Hilton, Jim Brown, Max Scherer, Dake Creelman, and David Webb. North Miami met Central on Dec. 13, and on Dec. 20, Jackson.

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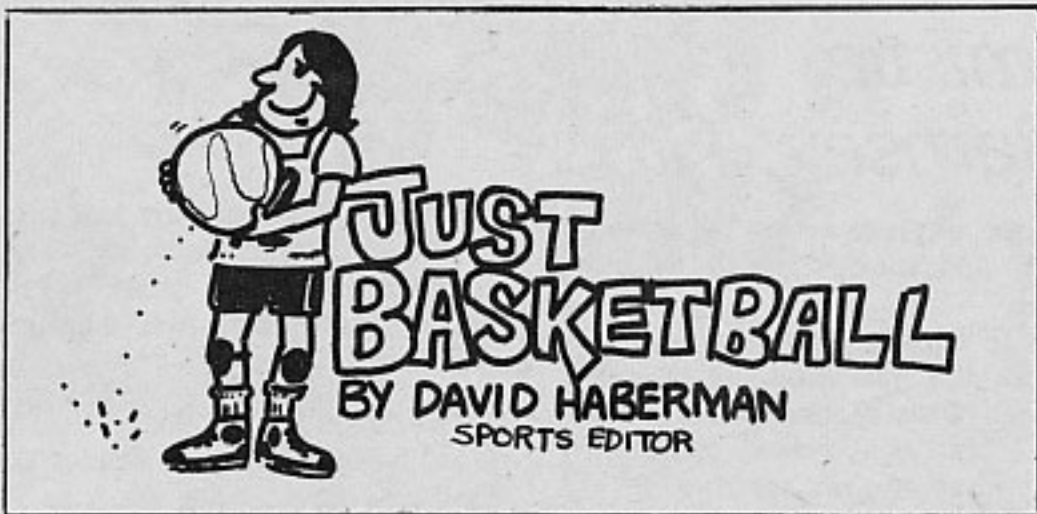
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The North Miami Pioneer Basketball team has the distinction of being the last team from Dade County to win the state championship.

That was 1960. A player on that championship team (who was also head basketball coach) Richard Petty helped me resurrect a nostalgic moment in Pioneer basketball history. Tom Baxley, a 6'0" guard, scored 53 points in a play-off game against Clearwater, a record that still stands in Dade County for play-off competition.

Baxley had an illustrious high school career. He was named to the News and Herald All-City teams, and voted outstanding back in football. Petty was hesitant to talk about his role in that championship year. "I just passed the ball off and let them shoot. I think I led the team in assists."

Ironically, Petty returned to North Miami Senior High School as head Basketball coach, and in 1967 nearly led the Pioneers to a state play-off berth.

In that year, North Miami defeated Carol City for the 14 AA Regional Championship, and then bowed to Archbishop Curley 68-65 in the 4 AA contest.

The Curley contest involved some unfortunate circumstances, and one physical factor. The circumstance being the illness of center Billy Conn. The one physical factor ... Cyrille Baptiste.

"Baptiste was great," commented Petty, "he was the main reason we didn't win that game." Baptiste went on to star at Creighton University and rewrite the record books in the process.

North Miami did reach the ne plus ultra plateau in 1960 and they know what it's like to win.

But this is 1971, and a decade has gone by with no real serious threat to emulate the accolades of that most heralded year.

Two weeks ago against Edison, the Pioneer Cagers played their hearts out to win the contest. Dan Murray was confident. "We scouted Edison and we think we can beat them." This is the formula that builds winning teams, for if you have no confidence in your ability to knock off a stronger team, you simply will not win.

This is what upsets in sports are based on. In the Super Bowl Joe Namath was confident against the Colts. Joe Namath won. The Colts didn't. Muhammad Ali was confident against Sonny Liston. Ali won, when Liston could not answer the bell. Sonny sat on his stool and drooped. No confidence.

The element of confidence is one that is characterized in this year's basketball team. You saw it in the Edison game when North Miami came from 21 points down in the fourth quarter to close the gap to 80-72.

New Head Coach Reid Stevenson was Coach Petty's assistant four years. "I think he'll do an outstanding job," said Petty. "The kids seem to want to play for him." Richard Petty has confidence in Reid Stevenson, but that's not the issue. It should be: Does Reid Stevenson have confidence in Reid Stevenson?

Wrestlers Start On Road To Winning Season

By Larry Blustein

The Pioneer wrestling team, under new head coach Paul Fjell, took to the mats Friday, December 10 against the Jackson Generals, at home. Coach Fjell must fill the shoes of North Miami coach Jack Summan, who is now head coach of wrestling at Hialeah-Miami Lakes.

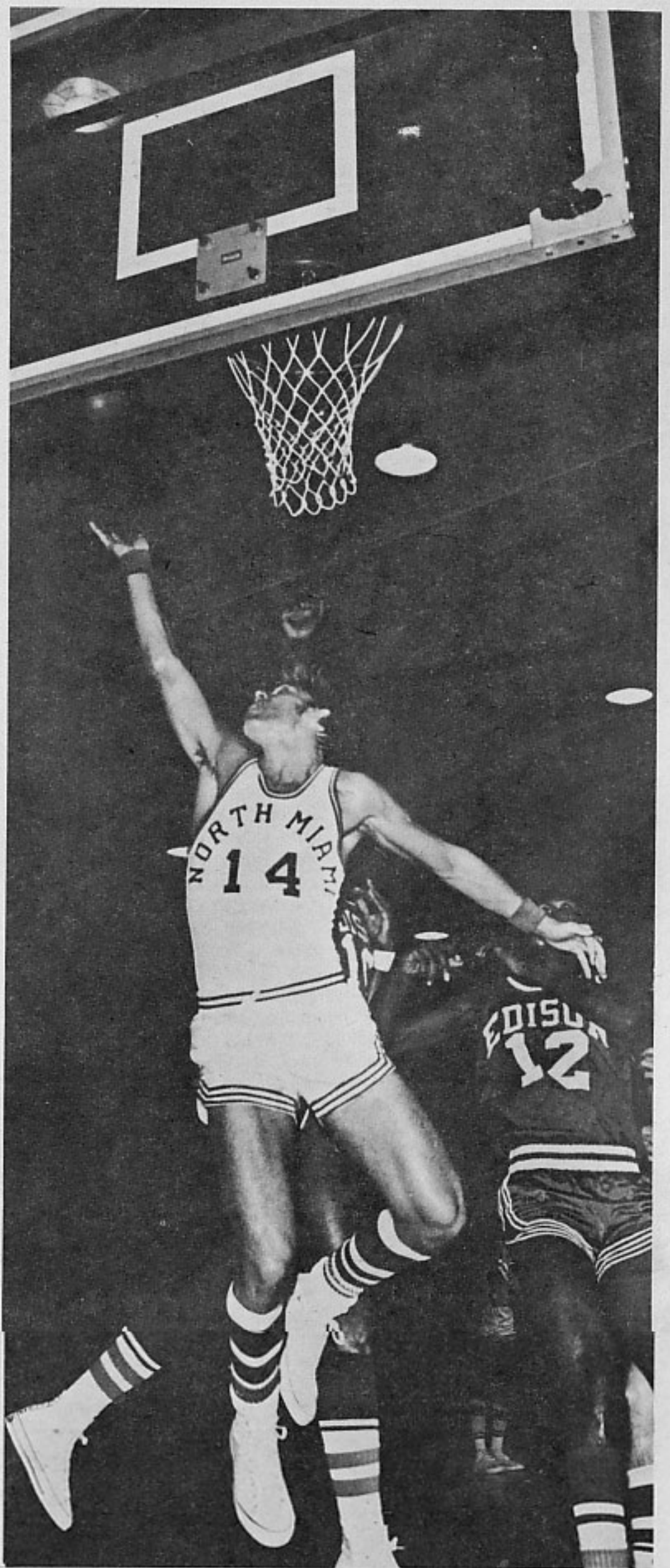
North Miami has three returning lettermen from last year in Stephen Wienberger, a 105 pound Senior, Evan Murbin, a 126 pound Senior, and Howard Wacks, a 145 pound Senior. Along with them will come a balanced attack of Seniors, Juniors and two Sophomore standouts in Jake Hite, who will be wrestling at an unlimited weight, and Jose Mathews, who will be wrestling at 95 pounds.

The Juniors are Mark Riesfield, at 112 pounds, L. C. Cochran, at 119 pounds, and Mark Poritsky, at 167 pounds. The Seniors are Rex Morgan, at 138 pounds, Cliff Dworkin, 155 pounds, and Paul Ripa, 185 pounder.

North Miami will be facing stiff competition when they meet Norland and Coral Park, but under head coach Fjell this is the year.

'71-'72 Wrestling Schedule

Jackson	Dec. 10	Home	7:30
Springs	Dec. 14	Away	3:30
Edison	Dec. 17	Away	3:30
N.M.B.	Jan. 7	Home	3:30
Central	Jan. 11	Home	3:30
H.M. Lakes	Jan. 14	Away	7:30
MacArthur	Jan. 19	Home	7:30
Carol City	Jan. 21	Home	7:30
Northwestern	Feb. 1	Away	3:30
Coral Park	Feb. 4	Home	3:30
Curley	Feb. 8	Home	3:30
Norland	Feb. 11	Home	3:30



NORTH MIAMI'S STEVE COOK (14) drives over Edison's Stokes (12) for two points. (photo by Harry Jay Siskind)

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Giant Edison Blitzes NM 87-74

By David Haberman

The North Miami Pioneer Basketball Team found itself in the land of the giants.

For three quarters the Pioneer netters played the Raiders on even terms, then yielded to a ferocious fourth quarter offensive barrage that left North Miami perplexed and frustrated, losing to Edison 87-74.

North Miami opened up quickly in the game taking a 10-4 lead on key jump shots by forward Bob Romano. But Edison was not to be denied as they took a 35-30 lead into the half.

Guard Steve Cook threw an offensive tantrum in the third quarter that helped North Miami take a brief 43-42 lead. Cook

lofted high arching heaves from outside the circle that kept North Miami in the contest most of the game.

In the final period, trailing 57-55, the Red Raiders broke it wide open using their superior height and strength to advantage. With 3:21 remaining, Edison opened up to an 80-59 lead, by muscling through the key with short jumpers and lay-ups. The penetration was accomplished because Robert Thompson and Eldridge Mitchell were napped with personal fouls. Several times, Thompson and Mitchell never even offered to block the shot.

more substance, was the fact that the game was tied 11 different times.



Edison		fg	ft	tp		
League		6	3	15		
Hill		7	2	16		
Darby		7	2	16		
Stokes		5	3	13		
Nelson		6	0	12		
Brown		3	0	6		
Davis		2	1	5		
McGee		1	2	4		
N. Miami		fg	ft	tp		
Cook		12	7	31		
Romano		8	4	20		
Thompson		3	2	8		
Mitchell		1	0	2		
Williams		6	1	13		
Edison		19	16	22	30	87
N. Miami		17	13	23	21	74

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