

GODDIN RETIRES AFTER 17 YEARS OF SERVICE

"When I was in High School, and during my early college years I did not think I wanted to be a teacher," Mrs. Louise Goddin began. Later, after my children were well along in school, I decided that I really wanted to teach after all," she revealed in a recent Smoke Signal interview.

"My major in college was theatre and speech. Initially, these were the two subjects I taught,"

she continued as she told of her memorable experiences that she has and will leave behind.

"When I was a student, interest in drama, logging, and television was a closely related and very exciting subject in which to turn." As she granted this interview, this reporter easily saw that she has a love and fascination in the field of communication and theatre.



"This is my seventeenth year of teaching -- six years in the Newark

District and eleven years in the Conrad District. So I will enjoy the retirement after seventeen years of teaching," Goddin confirmed.

"Mainly, I plan to enjoy my family and friends. I probably will retain some ties with the theatre -- community theatre or possibly children's theatre. However, my husband and I plan to do some traveling, and so I doubt that I will have time to

become very much involved," she regretfully mentioned.

"Theatre of all kinds and traveling are probably my favorite hobbies. However, I like to cook, knit, read and play bridge. I would like to audit courses at the University for fun. At the moment, at least, I am not interested in any more careers," Goddin concluded, as she leads her life apart from the school.

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STUDENT COUNCIL CHOOSES NEW OFFICERS

Student council held a general meeting May 13 to decide the future president and vice-president.

An expected 160 member turnout was responded to by approximately 30 students.

Dave Johnson and Bob Fox will fill the positions of president and vice-president

respectively. These jobs had to be filled by juniors because as Tom Sarnecky implied, "We don't know where the sophomores will be next year." Sophomores or juniors could be elected to the offices of Secretary and Treasurer, but the council decided to wait for next year to choose those spots. "The future sophomores

then could possibly hold an office," another member implied.

Conrad's tradition is for the student council to purchase or give something to the school.

Although plans to present a new scoreboard were being discussed, nothing has materialized at time of this publication.

COLA COMES TO CONRAD FOR SECOND TIME

Is it true? Conrad now has soda machines, for the second time.

"Three years ago we had one, but kids abused it. Now, all of those kids are gone and we thought we'd try it again," Mr. Wayne Von Stetten informed us. "We only had the machine for three or four months until the kids ruined their privileges," he added.

Mr. Jesse Malin, sponsor of Varsity C, and Von Stetten, sponsor of CAWA, Conrad's Association for Women Athletics, along with of-

ficers of the club went to talk to Mr. Elder concerning the issue.

"We called several companies including 7-up, Coca Cola, and Pepsi Cola," Von Stetten remarked. "We got the machine free. We just have to supply the soft drinks."

The Pepsi-Cola company is going to put a rock concert on for Conrad, give schedules for both social activities and sports, and give us a baseball scoreboard totally free of charge.

"I hope that the kids accept the responsibility," Von Stetten commented.

"This is a privilege and when Elder says "It goes" there are no ifs, ands, or buts about it," he added.

"It is a good chance to make money for the clubs and a good privilege," he concluded.

Editor's Note: So, come on Conrad - let's prove we can handle responsibility!

BLAZE GUTS OFFICE

Sunday, March 3, five area fire companies responded to Conrad to find Mr. Ott's office completely ablaze and the fire making its way to the roof.

Minquas of Newport, Five Points, Belvidere, Cranston Heights, and Elsmere responded with Millcreek, Wilmington Manor and Holloway Terrace providing cover-up.

Minquas Fire Company was the first to arrive and Fire Chief Harry Elliot said, "When we pulled up, there was fire coming out of the office of the Vice-Principal; then, about two minutes later, the windows on the floor above the office blew out."

The fire was reported by a passerby who called the fireboard. Usually, the fireboard would receive such a call from the school itself. When the alarm is pulled in the school during the day, the signal is transmitted to only the office. If such an alarm is pulled at night, the signal is automatically transmitted to the fireboard. However, in this case, no one was in the school to pull the alarm.

Elliot commented, "Had the fire burned un-

detected for even 10 minutes more, no doubt it would have caused more severe damage to the second floor and spread through much of the first floor.

It should be pointed out that damage caused by the fire was reduced considerably because the door of Mr. Ott's office was closed. This kept the fire from spreading out and up. "This is a practice that so many people neglect when they go to bed. Should a fire break out at home and the bedroom door is closed, there is less chance of one being suffocated by smoke," Elliot mentioned.

Mr. Ott's office was boarded up, broken windows were replaced, and student lockers were searched on that day. When asked the reason for the search, Mr. Smith commented, "We were looking for a variety of drugs and alcohol." He also stated that it would not be more difficult to get insurance for the school because the state carries its own insurance. Smith added that it might cost up to \$40,000 to have the office repaired.

Mr. Ott now works out of the office of Mr. Morningred.

Peckham, Wegrzynowski Lead Graduating Class of '76



Valedictorian Jim Peckham

Henry Conrad's forty-first class will graduate Tuesday, June 8, at 6:30 p.m. on the school athletic field.

Five members of the class will deliver commencement oration, including Douglas Broujos, Deborah Grace, Thomas Shewbrooks, Kimberly Smith and James Wallace. Titles of speeches were unknown at presstime.

Baccalaureate service will be held in Cummings Auditorium at 7:00, June 6. Reverend Ralph Martin will pronounce the invocation. Reverend Thomas Painter will read from the Old Testament and Reverend William L. Bowers will give the New Testament reading. The prayer for the graduates will be offered by Reverend Gerald N. Henderson and the sermon will be delivered by

Reverend Ralph Hughes.

Eleven senior members of the Conrad Choir will sing two selections for the service, Let There Be Peace On Earth, and Psalm 117. The singers include Sopranos Candie Godfrey, Nancy Humphrey, Debbie Hansell, Robin Fiske; Altos Debbie Grace, Irene Knehnetsky, Dawn Citro, Debbie Brown; Baritones Dave Treece, Tom Shewbrooks. Mike Berry.



Salutatorian Libby Wegrzynowski

STUDENTS' THOUGHTS ABOUT:



I am a Sophomore on the Smoke Signal Staff and I am tired of the way this paper is held in such low esteem. I have seen discarded papers in the halls, torn and kicked around.

Our Smoke Signal staff works many hours overtime not only writing and proofreading stories, but getting information from uncooperative sources, from Student Council to faculty members. Yet, those sources, giving even little or no information grudgingly, are the same people who complain the loudest when names are misspelled, incorrect information is printed, or (Heaven Forbid!) their organization is left out.

After writing and proofreading the stories, Mr. Petrovich's class is kind enough to type them up. So, their time is also taken up for Conradians.

The typed stories are then proofread again, sent to the printer and then we, as a staff, put the paper together.

And then, we see our hard work received with apathy and criticism.

Our Smoke Signal is a good paper with a good staff. We proved that at the Delaware Scholastic Press Convention, where we won more awards in individual competition than any other paper in the State.

So, come on, Conradians, treat the Smoke Signal with some respect. After all, "We do it all for you!"

Debbie Smith

Dear Editor:

Let's hear it for the Cawa and Varsity 'C'. Cubs for putting in a soda machine. Even though there are certain limits for using it, it's still a great idea. I think that these clubs realize that we are capable of responsibilities. Hopefully, no soda cans will be found in the halls, and we'll be able to keep it till the end of the year as well as next year and years to come.

Monica Marshall

by Nancy Abel

Emptiness is a feeling felt only inside,
Emptiness is something you can't always hide,
Emptiness is a feeling of much sorrow,
And of something you won't usually borrow,
For you live your life in happiness and grief,
And sometimes life can be very brief.

But I live my life day by day,
And the words I think don't usually say,
That my most upsetting thoughts will go away,
Or that my good ones are here to stay.

But the most surprising thought I think everyday,
Is to be happy in every possible way,
And not let the emptiness within me be shown,
Until I can think it out when I'm all alone.

This is, traditionally, the time for students to have their efforts recognized. But others deserve recognition, too - our teachers. We, at Conrad, are very fortunate to have such excellent teachers. Mr. Arthur Craig, for example, received an award which includes him on the list of Who's Who among Physical Education Instructors. And, Mrs. Ellen Brown, who was recognized as the outstanding Home Economics teacher in the state. And an award for being an outstanding Biology and Chemistry teacher went to Mr. Ed Malin. There are many more.

Awards are not the only indication of good teachers. Some taught us things much more important than English or math. And, most were sensitive enough to realize that sometimes other things are more important than term papers. They didn't give us the answers to all our problems on a silver platter, but they showed us where to look for them. And, to those teachers we owe thanks.

Debbie Grace

TO A FEW CRITICIZING PEOPLE

I just want to know why a few are always criticizing Conrad's lunches. What would the students do if the cafeteria ladies decided not to make lunch? What would the students do then? Does anybody really know how much time, patience and work each and every lady puts into each lunch? No, nobody does, because a few students are too darned busy putting down the lunches! Where did someone get the idea that the hamburgers are cooked in grease for six hours? That's really getting down to the nitty gritty. I know the lunches aren't the greatest, but the food is there for the students to eat. If you don't like the school's lunches, bring your own!

Maggie Surowiec

MY FIRST YEAR AT CONRAD

Alas, the 75-76 school year ends, and all in all, I really enjoyed my first year at Conrad. Our high school has its ups and downs but so do other schools.

Everyone has his own views about Conrad but a lot of people really like it here, including me.

Throughout the year we have all learned that we have to give a little and take a little in achieving the goals we want. When students and teachers worked together we attained several benefits such as: Soda machines, Outside lunch, Good assemblies, The Mini Mall, and many other things we often don't notice.

Hopefully, through the efforts of our Community and School Board, we will be able to remain here with our friends, for many years to come.

Monica Marshall

Three years ago, I came to this school confused and bewildered. I was afraid of what high school life was going to be like. After three years, I am leaving still bewildered and confused, but proud. Why? Because when one comes to Conrad, he gets something that most other schools can't give, namely attention, individualized attention. If one looks close enough, he can see that the teachers have a way about them, giving each class an individual style. They're professionals. Yet, the sacrifices they make go unnoticed. One fine example is Miss Miriam Swayze. She gave all of her life to the Conrad students trying to see that they grew up mentally straight. Another is Mr. Joseph Palermo, an outstanding coach, master teacher, and humanitarian, who has given his whole life to the social studies department. Another is Miss Virginia Powell, an outstanding business teacher who has contributed many excellent secretaries to the business world. The list goes on and the efforts of Conrad High teachers never ceases. This school has a history of greatness behind it and the students and teachers should be proud that they have a chance to make this school even better.

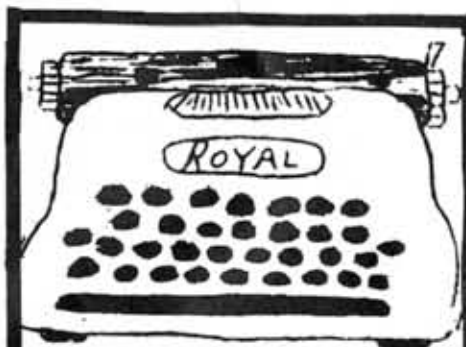
Tom Shewbrooks

Dear Editor:

I am very upset about the things going on in school. We have a Student Council and they are elected to do their jobs. One of their jobs is to make sure that things are running smoothly in school. We have a few problems such as students complaining they want open-study halls, wanting to leave school for lunch and going someplace else. But, when there are 25 to 30 kids always starting trouble, what happens? Very little, I think. Student Council should get these kids who are always starting trouble and let them know that they are abusing school policies. And, if you want to have more freedom, try to act a little more respectfully.

Donna Casalvera

Editor's note: In the Editor-in-chief's eyes, the Student Council hasn't done much this year to get the kids a little operating room. As for the "25 or 30" trouble makers, make it 250 or 300.



A special thanks goes to Mr. Petrovich's typing classes. Without their help the SMOKE SIGNAL could not have been nearly as successful. The following have taken time from their classes to type stories for the paper:

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L O V E I T O R L E A V E I T

after 12 years at Conrad

CRAIG LEAVES WITH HONORS

by Marty J. Nagy

After "12 fantastic years," Mr. Arthur Craig will leave Conrad this year.

Recently, this year, Craig was nominated by fellow physical education teachers for the Who's Who in Physical Education Award.

It was sponsored by that Association and held at their Eastern District.

"I don't get excited," commented Craig when he found out he won the award for the entire Eastern United States. However, "I am grateful, but it could have been Eyanson or anyone, but I was the one nominated."

Ten were chosen from the Eastern District of the United States and the winner was chosen on past experiences and types of programs one uses.

Craig is a disciplinarian at heart and believes one must have control of his or her class. He added, "You must also have a rapport with the students." Because of this philosophy Craig stated, "students either accept or reject me as a teacher." One other rule that he expects is complete silence when talking to his class.

for Conrad Students:

Frechmen Fries Food

There is a grand tradition concerning the sophomore class of Conrad. Every opening day of school along with their new schedules and friends, a majority of them will meet Morris Frechmen for the first time.

A great deal of students know him as Morris, the proprietor of the sub shop on the corner adjacent to Conrad High School.

Morris is approximately five feet-six inches and is approaching middle age. He started the store in the September of 1957 and has been serving the community and the students of Conrad for the past 19 years.

Twenty-five percent was the figure Morris gave relating to the business from students, the other 75 percent comes from the neighborhood.

"No problems have arisen with the students

Conrad's physical education program was a pioneer lifetime sports program starting in 1966. Although the physical education department was involved, Craig and Mr. Paul "Doc E" Eyan-

son were carrying the leadership and initiated changes in the program through the past ten years. Lifetime sports are those that can be played

by any age group such as tennis, handball, badminton, bowling, archery, etc. "We're living in sports minded times," according to Craig and "Tennis alone is a



Mr. Arthur Craig instructs Sophomore Tammy Fisher during gym class.

(photo by Rich Realey)

million dollar business." The success of this program was the teamwork of Eyanson and I and total cooperation from the Board and Administrators," explains

son were carrying the leadership and initiated changes in the program through the past ten years. Lifetime sports are those that can be played

Craig.

He reiterated. "the program is one of the best in the East and probably in Delaware."

Craig, now 36, came to Conrad in 1964 and has taught for twelve years at Conrad. He has two sons and one daughter.

"It has been an anticipated move for several years," retorted Craig. He has intentions of opening a sporting goods store and go into a private business. "This ultimate goal is still ap-

DON'T GET CAUGHT!

Where can one spend an afternoon after school? We at the SMOKE SIGNAL Don't suggest detention.

Mr. David Williams is the warden from 2:45-5:00 in room 226 for those who insist on violating school regulations.

Inmates come in for 1) cutting study hall; 2) insubordination; 3) going off campus without permission; 4) Smoking.

"I took detention because it might have a salutary effect on school problems," explains Williams.

Williams has six rules for inmates,

- 1) Be in the room by 2:45.
- 2) Must have school work or book to read, no magazines or comic books
- 3) No gum chewing.
- 4) No sleeping.
- 5) Feet on the floor.
- 6) No looking out of the windows

"Detainees have the option of doing custodial chores to leave 15 minutes early," comments Williams.

He added, "Detention has been effective in so far as the rate of recidivism is very low."

Take some advice, even a fish stays out of trouble if he keeps his big mouth shut!

proximately a year away," explains Craig. However, commented Craig, "It gives me the opportunity to work for myself."

The Craigs have a home in Cape May, New Jersey and will reside and have the store there.

Craig remarked "It would defeat my whole purpose and it's against my philosophy to say, 'well, if the job isn't successful, can I come back to Conrad to teach?' " That would be 'ridiculous' ", when questioning his leave of absence or a final departure.

Craig is leaving for good at the end of this year. He received an award for Most Outstanding Physical Education Teacher at Conrad during the commencement held June 8.

WHO'S MR. LAWHORN?

What is the most familiar expression heard in this school? How about, "Will Mr. Lawhorn please report to the Office?" For those of us who still don't know who he is, he holds the position of head custodian.

"I like working here," commented Mr. Clinton



Mr. Clinton Lawhorn

Lawhorn, with a smile. He has worked at Conrad for sixteen years, and expects to work here for nine more before retiring.

This is his first job as custodian. Before this, he worked for fourteen years in coal mines. He has seven children and is a fishing and baseball fan.

He was born and reared in West Virginia. This is where he had the mine job.

"I like Delaware better than West Virginia, Lawhorn mentioned. I also plan to take life easy after I retire."

Best Wishes to Helen Powell upon her retirement 6-4-76

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SMOKE SIGNAL Salutes Flight 'A' Champs



Senior Mike McCullin hustles to first base.



Senior Doug Allen watches action behind him during Brandywine game.

(photo by Rich Realey)

by Rich Falkowski

This year's edition of the Conrad Redskins baseball team started off winning in preseason and has continued earning a spot in the Delaware Baseball Tournament. Conrad wound up with a 12-4 conference record and 12-6 record overall for a 2nd place finish in Flight A.

Conrad played Delcastle over Easter vacation and behind Doug Allen's 2 hit 9 strikeout performance, they won 3-0. This extended Conrad's conference win streak to 5 games.

Again expecting a tough game with Christiana, Conrad was pleasantly surprised as they disposed of the Vikings, 17-3. Doug Allen again got credit for the win. Joe Janvier cracked out 3 hits and knocked in 3 runs. Rich Falkowski added a 3 run homer and 2 run triple for 5 RBI's. Ken Taylor and Doug Allen also collected 2 hits each. Rich Cilia came off the bench to add a 3 run triple.

The Wilmington Red Devils came in next. Behind Falkowski's scrambling pitching performance Conrad walked away with a 4-3 triumph. Whalen and Padavoni were again the hitting stars as they both had 2 hits. Paul Blome knocked in the winning run with a pinch hit single.

Now for the rematch win Newark, the conference leaders. Going into the seventh inning the game was tied 1-1 due to two unearned runs. Doug Allen had a

no-hitter with two outs in the seventh when a Newark double and single lifted Newark to a 2-1 victory. Allen wound up with a two hitter and 9 K's. Padavoni had 2 hits for Conrad.

Delcastle was next on the menu. And Conrad ate 'em up 7-4. Rich Falkowski recorded his second victory. Doug Allen and Ken Taylor each had 3 hits with Taylor knocking in 3 runs and Allen 2. Falkowski also had two hits and a RBI.

It was a great comeback by Conrad coming back from a 6-0 deficit but Concord prevailed and won 7-6 on a seventh inning single. Ken Taylor had three outs and Rich Falkowski 2 hits for the losers.

Tough pitching silenced the Conrad bats and the Rams defeated our Redskins 5-1. Conrad did not beat Dickinson in a single sporting event this year. This was a non-conference game so it didn't hurt Conrad in the standings.

After games with Newark, Delcastle, Concord and Dickinson, the march for the tournament went on and this time Conrad had to beat Wm. Penn and they did 7-3. Doug Allen was the winning pitcher. Vic Padavoni had two hits - one a triple. Mike McCullin also banged out two hits. Allen not only pitched but he hit too as he hit a home run and knocked in 3 runs. Next came wins over Mt. Pleasant, Christiana and

Wilmington.

The final game of the season, although Conrad had already wrapped up a tourney berth, was a dandy. Doug Allen and Rodney Willich tangled in a real pitchers' dual. Brandywine won this one 2-0, but Allen pitched well, giving up just 4 hits and striking out 11.

Conrad finished the season the conference champs, and 1 game ahead of Brandywine. The Redskins faced Salesianum in the first round of the State Tournament on June 5 at Delaware at 2:00 on the freshman field. Coach Davies remarked, "I think the Sallies game was the emotional point of the year for us."

Netmen Have 1-11 Season

"We lost a couple of real close ones this year. I think next year's team should have enough talent to take those close ones and win more matches", commented senior singles player Kim Shelly regarding the performance of Conrad's boys tennis team.

The "Redskin Racketeers" got off to a somewhat slow start this season by losing their first nine matches. Matches against Newark, McKean and Glasgow were lost by a 3-2 score.

But, May 11 was Conrad's day as they faced Claymang and won by a score of 3-2. Next, Conrad met the state champions from Brandywine who halted the redskins hopes for two wins in a row by shutting out the redskins 5-0.

Last on the netmen's schedule was Wilmington. But, after two days delay because of rain and wind, Conrad could not get back in the "swing" and went down to defeat 3-2. This left the redskins with a 1-11 record for the season.

May 22, Conrad's seven best players ventured to Newark to compete in the Delaware state tennis tournament. As in the regular season, the players did not fare too well as all were eliminated in the first round.

As in the past two years, gym teacher Ar-

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Junior Joe Janvier attempts to avoid tag at first base while opponents prove light on their feet.

(photo by Rich Realey)

Valenti Places Again

REILLY ORGANIZES PROMISING TEAM

The girls' track team had a dual season this year for the first time since 1973. Coach Mike Reilly started the girls' track team because he found that most girls had never performed competitively in track.

Reilly said, "Janice Valenti placed last year and some other girls showed interest, so I decided to go to the championships again." In order to participate in the state championships this year, a team was required to participate in four dual meets. Because the interest in track wasn't displayed earlier, Coach Reilly had planned to practice one month before the championships. Therefore, the team started practice two months later than most of the other teams.

"We didn't win any meets," said the coach, "but we improved with each one and we are building for next year." Conrad met with Padua, Christiana, A.I. duPont, and McKean before going on to the state championships. "We never really made up the two months that we lost," explained Reilly.

The girls on the track team and the events they participated in are as follows: Donna Brown -- Discus, Shot-Put; Patti Carilli -- Hurdles; Donna Cote -- 880; Nancy DiMatteo -- 220, 440 relay; Vicki Dolson -- Hurdles, mile

relay; Darlyn Green -- 220, mile relay; Theresa Lodge -- 100 yard dash; Jenny Peterson -- 440, mile relay; Terry Scout -- 100 yard dash, 440 relay, long jump; Maggie Surowiec -- 440, mile relay; Cheryl Wade -- 880, Hurdles; Nancy White -- Discus, Shot-Put; Cindy Williams -- Mile; Mona Wooters -- 220, 440-Relay; Janice Valenti -- 440 relay, long jump, high jump.

Coach Reilly said that "lack of depth" was one of the team's major weaknesses. Reilly explained, "In most events we only enter one or two girls when we could enter three." Although the team did well in the field events, Reilly feels that all of the running events need work for next year.

"Team spirit was very strong," commented the coach. "They always cheer each other on in the meets and in practice." He listed the team's assets as "Dedication, team spirit, and the need for improvement." Reilly also stated that he was pleased with the results of the meets and with how the girls worked together. The coach added, "I believe everyone did better almost every time they ran."

The team placed tenth out of twenty-one track teams in the state meet which was held Saturday, May 22. In the long

jump, Janice Valenti got fifth place after jumping 15 feet, seven and three quarters inches. Donna Brown received fourth place in the shot-put with a throw of 30 feet, six inches. Valenti was presented with a medal in ceremonies at the end of the day's competition. Coach Reilly commented that he was very pleased with everyone's effort at the meet.

When asked how he felt about the school's support of the track team Reilly said, "Track never really gets much support, no matter what school it is. You are not really doing it for glory but for your team and yourself."

"Next year we'll get started earlier and we'll be better," predicted the coach.

When asked if he plans to be the girls' track coach next year Reilly exclaimed, "I hope so!" He plans to give up boys' track to devote more time to the girls' team.

The opinion of the girls about the coach's decision can be reflected by two of their comments. Senior Maggie Surowiec mentioned, "I hope that more girls go out for track next year -- because Mr. Reilly is a great coach!" Patti Carilli added, "Even if we lose the meet, Mr. Reilly makes us feel like winners!"



JUNIOR CHRIS COOK EXEMPLIFIES SWIM TEAM SPIRIT AND DETERMINATION DURING RECENT LOCAL COMPETITION. THE STAFF COMMENDS ALL TEAM MEMBERS.

WELDIN'S TEAM A HIT

Conrad's softball team has managed to accumulate six wins in its 18 game season.

Coach Mary Jane Weldin commented that, although the team made some 'mental mistakes', it was still a group filled with spirit. Weldin mentioned that many on the team will be missed next year, particularly senior co-captains Donna Ferrazzo and Margaret Smith.

In addition to the co-captains, letter winners include Terri Schmidt,

Joanne Tjaden, Jackie Marshall, Jean Plastek, Sandy McGaha, Margie Johns, Diane Morrison, Karen Carter and Chris O'Connor.

Top student batting averages are comprised of O'Connor, .466; Smith, .431; and Schmidt, .413. Smith was also named 'best pitcher' according to the coach.

Weldin emphasized that the team is relatively young and added "we expect to have a better team next year."

You've come a long way, baby!

This year's girls tennis team consists of only ten girls, two singles, two sets of doubles, and an alternate for both single and double teams.

Mrs. Mary Ann Sley, the coach, stated, "We definitely won't win because we don't have the money that the other schools have. They can play the sports all year around."

"I like coaching these girls," she implied. "They're all nice and try very hard. The first girl in the single team is competitive, and some others shave come a long way, but still we will just do our best." What more

can you expect than our best?

"I think that there should be two divisions, according to ability. The top schools should be in one group, while the rest are in another division.

This would be much more fair for everyone."

"It costs approximately \$200. to maintain this sport and that is relatively cheap."

"I have to give credit to the girls, though. They try so hard and have a real desire to win."

Sley teaches in the Jr. High Learning Center for grades seven to nine.



JANICE VALENTI DISPLAYS THE FORM THAT WON HER SECOND PLACE AND A MEDAL IN THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR HIGH JUMPING 4'11".

News-in-brief

Conradians on the Move; Faculty Honors Swayze

Thirty Spanish Club Students, accompanied by Mrs. Mildred Morrison and Mrs. Jacqueline Rofel, wandered among the sites of Washington, D.C. on their annual trip May 12.

Departing from school at 8:00 a.m., the group's first stop was the Pan American Union Building where they saw different conference rooms similar to those of the United Nations. Also included among other places of interest were bicentennial displays in a park, Ford's Theatre and the house where Lincoln died. Two highlights of the trip's itinerary involved visits to both The Smithsonian Institute and The Spanish Art Museum.

Following a full day of listening and learning, the Conradians enjoyed dinner at La Fonda. Enchiladas, tacos and various mexican dishes highlighted the meal. Morrison commented, "I really enjoyed the dinner since I love Mexican Foods."

But, the biggest surprise of the day came when the bus driver fell asleep. While students and teachers wandered about, he decided to take a "catnap" causing hysterics among everyone.

Over the Easter vacation some students from Conrad toured Germany. Students visited places such as Hamburg where they saw city hall and the Church of St. Michel. They also visited Hanover where they had dinner and stayed overnight. Cologne, another city where the students saw how cologne was manufactured, proved interesting.

"We visited Brusel, the capital city of Belgium and also the King's residence which is the seat of many international organizations and business enterprises," Chaperone

Mrs. Rofel commented. "On our last day in Germany, we took a city tour visiting the market square with beautiful guild houses. The birds and flowers, presented in the magnificent boulevards were very pretty and colorful," Rofel added.

Students included on the tour were Carrie Hafnal, Laurie Baruta, Ronna Wadman, Libby Wegryznewski, Karen Thorn, Debbie Holiday and Sue Schoenberg.

Swayze Honored

Miss Miriam E. Swayze was honored by 175 friends, co-workers, and well-wishers at her retirement dinner held March 26 at the Ramada Inn.

Swayze, an original faculty member of Conrad, was honored by former students and colleagues Miss Mildred Morrison and Mr. Arthur Craig. Many original

faculty members also attended to pay tribute to their friend.

Mrs. Eleanor Dill served as Master of Ceremonies for the Conrad Faculty Association event. Prin-

icipal Earl J. Smith was included among the speakers as well.

In appreciation for her forty-one years of loyal service, Swayze was presented with a snowflake diamond pendant, a royal Doulton figurine, "The Swan Girl", a camera and film as well as many good wishes for a happy retirement.

J.C.L. Tours

Conradians involved in the Junior Classical League saw many sights on their annual tour to New York May 11. Landmarks viewed included the United Nations Building, the Statue of Liberty and the Metropolitan Museum of

Art, "which is very interesting," stated Mrs. Marie Field. This year, the group also attended the "Musical Shenandoah".

Conradian tourists also include faculty members and chaperones, Mrs. Eleanor Dill, Mrs. James Kaut and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gawarzewski.

Field stated that the students enjoyed them-

selves and their behavior is always excellent.

Tennis Continued

thur Craig was tennis coach. This year's varsity team was comprised of seniors Shelly, Steve Bair, John Balaguer and Kevin Joseph, juniors Mike Golebiowski, Vint Bossert and Mike Cutrona and sophomore Chris Golebiowski.

Unsuccessful Season

Torrence Trodders Look Toward Next Year

"It appears to me that students today are more concerned with working just to get a car," comments Head Track Coach Ted Torrence on the aspect of declining spirit in Conrad Athletics.

Coach Mike Reilly feels that there are three problems including (1) Although spirit was good at the beginning, it seemed to change as the season progressed. (2) We lost seniors from last year and not enough sophomores showed interest in track to replace them. (3) There is very low priority, the students have too many other things to do.

Nine members returned from last year's squad but the team consists of sixteen runners. This includes one sophomore, Victor Helveck, ten juniors Jim Hutayan, Bob Kah, Tom

Williams, Mark Nicoll, Joe Manlove, Rich Carter, Paul Powell, Walter Ruth, Marty Poffenberger, and Marty Nagy and 4 seniors, Randy Bacot, Bill Balascio, Wes Sanders and Steve Mackey.



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