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PRESENTING THE CLASS OF 1979



Leigh Ann Alspach



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Scott Alan Bichsel



Bryon Glenn Cormany



Keith Paul Grimm

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Thomas Hampton, Jr.



Danny Hetrick



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Michael Lee Lepley



Terry Edward McCoy



Heidi Piwkowski



Gary Francis Santavicca



Glenn Allen Shockley



Kathy Carolen Tosky



Fred Tritt



Franklin George Woods, Jr.

Robert Thomas Sillanpaa
(picture not available)

OSD Holds Awards Day

by Sheila McDonough and Sarah Sixt

With Mr. Robert Krisko, OSD counselor-coordinator introducing the speakers, the annual OSD Award Day Assembly got underway on Thursday, May 24, at 12:30 p.m., in the school gymnasium. OSD Assistant Superintendent Merlen Gruenhagen named Christina Atkinson and Rick Schultz as the campus' outstanding citizens for the current school year and winners of the Superintendent's Awards for Citizenship.

Ms. Margaret Westervelt, retired OSD teacher and member of Quota Club, gave Quota Club's cash awards to three OSD students for outstanding academic achievement during the 1978-79 school year. The senior award went to Heidi Piwkowski. Sarah Sixt won the junior award. Robert Atkinson won the sophomore award. Quota Club also donated money to the school library.

Representing the National Fraternal Society for the Deaf, Mr. Everett J. Kennedy, retired OSD faculty member, presented the Society's annual awards to the two graduating seniors most outstanding for their scholarship and service to

the school. This year's awards went Heidi Piwkowski and Gary Santavicca.

In behalf of the Ohio Chapter of Registered Interpreters of the Deaf, Mrs. Marguerite Moore presented the group's annual award for skill in sign language to Cheryl Prusinski, OSD sophomore.

Key Club named Charles Neal, OSD freshman, its most enthusiastic member and honored Rick Schultz, Key Club president, with a trophy for his outstanding leadership during the school year. The following Key Club members received recognition for their membership: Leigh Alspach, Donna Arledge, Christina Atkinson, Robert Atkinson, Mary Brosnan, David Brown, Paul Brown, Keith Grimm, Danny Hetrick, Robin Hotchkiss, Peter Joseph.

Ron Kirk, Lisa Leabee, Terry McCoy, Ruth Napper, Charles Neal, Cindy Ondrejka, Joe Owens, Genia Page, Trina Salyers, Edward Steinke, Russell Stewart.

Mrs. Lynn Mansfield and Mrs. Pat Moore, faculty advisors to the Choral Group, presented certificates to the following Choral Group

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Mr. Phillis Speaks At Graduation

by The Journalism Class

"Go forth and build," Mr. William L. Phillis advised OSD's seventeen graduating seniors at Commencement Exercises, Friday, June 8, at 10:00 a.m., in the school gymnasium. Mr. Phillis, assistant superintendent of public instruction, Ohio Department of Education, was guest speaker for OSD's 108th Commencement.

"Success in life," he explained, "is most often achieved in simple steps. If we are going to be successful, we must have compassion for others. We must aspire to serve — to give the world more than we take from it." Mr. Phillis emphasized the adult responsibilities which each graduate must assume if he hopes to attain his goals in life.

"Behave yourself, accept the responsibility for and the consequences of your own conduct," Mr. Phillis suggested. "A genuine approach to life is absolutely necessary for success. Be honest with yourself and with others. Have integrity and determination. Carry with you the idea that educated people build and lead."

Mrs. Ruth Schildhouse, member of the State Board of Education, presented diplomas to the seventeen members of the Class of 1979. This year's graduates include: Leigh Ann Alspach, 20, daughter of Mrs. Lynn Alspach, Cincinnati; Michelle Lynn Bennett, 22, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bennett, Lisbon; Scott Alan Bichsel, 21, son of Mrs. Peggy Zeppernick, Alliance; Bryon Glenn Cormany, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cormany, Akron; Keith Paul Grimm, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Grimm, Lisbon.

Thomas Hampton, Jr., 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hampton, Sr., Reynoldsburg; Danny Hetrick, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hetrick, Youngstown; Terry Lee Hodkinson, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Junior Hodkinson, Tippecanoe; Michael Lee Lepley, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lepley, North Lawrence; Terry Edward McCoy, Jr., 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry McCoy Sr., Cincinnati.

Heidi Piwkowski, 21, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Piwkowski,

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AT THE VERY SPECIAL ARTS FESTIVAL



STUDENT ACTIVITIES

MRS. POETZ'S CLASS

On May 29, our class visited a third grade class at St. Pius X Elementary School in Reynoldsburg. My daughter *Kristi* and her teacher *Mrs. Wilt* helped the youngsters in the class fingerspell their names prior to our visit. When we arrived, they were able to introduce themselves to us.

Each class presented a song. We ate lunch together and played on the playground. The hearing youngsters were very interested and willing to help. We made many new friends. It was a rewarding experience for both classes.

We signed a song for the class. The name of the song is "You Light Up My Life."

Nicole Beer



Mrs. Poetz and her primary group sing "You Light Up My Life" for their new friends. From left to right are Mrs. Poetz, Kristi Poetz, Jacquie Schultheis, Janice Rhoden, Nicole Beer, and Tammy Brock.

We went to *Kristi's* school. The school is in Reynoldsburg.

John Fisher



OSD primary youngsters greet St. Pius third graders. From left to right are Mrs. Roseann Poetz, OSD primary teacher, Jacquie Schultheis, Janice Rhoden, Nicole Beer, Lori Cummings, and Tammy Brock.

We helped the class learn sign language. The boys and girls liked the signing.

Jacquie Schultheis



Third graders at St. Pius X, Reynoldsburg, greet Jacquie Schultheis, Janice Rhoden, Nicole Beer, and Lori Cummings.

IN THE SCIENCE LAB

On April 30, 1979, I was walking around the baseball field. I thought I saw four strange rocks. I looked again. They were eggs, not rocks. I left them alone.

Then, I played baseball and went to B-5. I was thinking about the eggs. I asked my housemother, Mrs. Gehardstein, to take me to pick up the four eggs. I was worried that the lawnmower would run over them and break them.

I brought the eggs to Mrs. Hobbins' classroom. We put the eggs in an incubator. We hope they will hatch. I looked at a book of eggs and found that the eggs we have belong to

a golden plover. They are really large eggs. Mrs. Hobbins borrowed our incubator from the library.

Jim Park



MRS. ROND'S SEWING CLASS

I bought material from the store. My favorite skirt has different colors. I like pink and blue in my skirt. They liked my skirt. Mrs. Rond was surprised when I finished my skirt this morning. I hope that my parents like my skirt on Sunday. I think that my parents will be happy that I made it.

Melody Malone



From left, Bea Harmount and Greg Rinker pose with their tote bags and stuffed animals which they made in sewing class.

I cut out the cat doll. I sewed. I kept on sewing. I finally finished.

I made the flower on the pants. I sewed on the pants for a long time. I finally finished.

Kellie Kepperling

My shirt is pretty. It costs about four dollars. Mrs. Rond helped me with my sewing. My new shirt is green. It was fun to learn how to sew.

Matt Carrothers

(Dominion Jr. High School)

I made a school bag. I cut the material. I drew on the school bag. I embroidered KISS. I liked to make the school bag.

I made a rabbit doll. I cut the material. I cut the eyes out of other material. I made the ears, nose, mouth, and teeth. I liked to make the rabbit.

Kenny Prusinski



From the left are Kenny Prusinski and Ryan Kempton. Both boys ran up their tote bags in sewing class. Ryan also has a stuffed animal.

We made cat and rabbit dolls. We learned how to use the sewing machine.

I made a cat doll. We went to a fashion show.

Darin Beer



For a change of pace, Kellie Kepperling (right) tried making slacks. Note the applied flower. Erica Armstrong (left) displays her tote bag and stuffed animal.

Sewing Students Model Fashions

by The Journalism Class

Here are just two of the many comfortable and good looking ensembles from "What's New!" — a style show of summer fashions presented by Mrs. Rond's sewing classes on Friday, June 1, in the school library.

At left, Ruth Napper models her apricot dress with peasant neckline and deep ruffled skirt. At right, Brad Marshall wears his wine vest with the navy blue braided trim.

Over twenty intermediate and high school students modeled the fashions they made in this semester's sewing classes. The following OSD students participated in the style show: Phillip Azara, Kathleen Bojanowski, Don Carman, Matt Carrothers, Colleen Doerpers, Bobby Gray, Ruth Hadley, Todd Harden, Jill Hatcher, Jamie Hixon, Shelly Hostein, Cindy Howell.

Linda Karn, Carol Lewis, Melody Malone, Brad Marshall, Ruth Napper, Cindy Ondrejka, Genia Page, Lona Rinderle, Cheryl Shahan, Charles Russell.



Ruth Napper



Brad Marshall

Sports Awards

by Sheila McDonough
and
Sarah Sixt

This year, OSD's sports and recreation awards were announced at the Awards Day Assembly, Thursday, May 24. In varsity basketball, Coach Terry Laughbaum named Delbert Fullerton the team's most valuable player. Jeff Klein and Bruce Quellhorst both won trophies as the team's most enthusiastic players. Larry Homan was recognized as this year's most improved player.

Coach Laughbaum presented certificates of participation to the following team members: Robert Atkinson, Tom Caleodis, Delbert Fullerton, Bryan Grubb, Larry Homan, Jeff Klein, Jim Park.

David Prusinski, Bruce Quellhorst, Ed Steinke, Derek Svec, Fred Tritt, Bruce Williams, Franklin Woods.

In junior varsity basketball, Coach Bob Walter named Rick Snow, the team's most valuable player. James

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Fotomat Visits, Writes About OSD

by The Journalism Class

"Learning Photography in a Silent World" is the title of an article in the April edition of *Fotofax*, the monthly publication of Fotomat Corporation. Ms. Jacqueline Farmer, assistant editor of *Fotofax*, gathered the material for this article when she visited the campus in February of this year.

Since 1973, Fotomat Corporation has quietly underwritten photography education for elementary and junior high school students in schools for the deaf. The result of Fotomat's continuing interest in both photography and deaf youngsters has been the development of a Learning Photography Program which is unique in both photography and education. This "kit" which was created for use as a photography learning club on the elementary and

junior high school levels has been offered to twenty-four schools in the country. At OSD the program has been integrated into the regular vocational curriculum.

"The text is terrific," says Mr. Charles Gramly, OSD vocational teacher. "It is visually oriented as our children are."

Although OSD started its first photography program in 1971, it is doubtful if the program would have survived without Fotomat's help. Between twelve and fifteen students enroll each semester in the eighteen week course. The classes are taught on two levels — exploratory and advanced. "Our students," Mr. Gramly says, "have benefited in many ways. They feel a great sense of accomplishment in photography."

Recreation Promotes Coed Softball

by Sarah Sixt

Nearly one hundred OSD students and recreation leaders have signed up for coed softball competition. Seven teams have been formed to play out the schedule by the end of the school year. The teams include: "Coors," captained by Jeff Klein and Jill Hatcher; "79 King and Queen," led by Bruce Quellhorst and Cindy Lutes; "Iron Horse," with Captains Glenn Shockley and Michelle Bennett; "Fleetwood Mac," captained by Bruce Williams and Cheryl Prusinski; "Convoy," led by Brian Foster and Brenda Hyland; "Bambi," with Captains Delbert Fullerton and Sheila McDonough; "Big Champion" led by Tom Hampton and Debbie Hollar.

Participating in coed softball are the following students and recreation leader: Donna Arledge, Christina Atkinson, Michelle Bennett, Kathleen Bojanowski, Vivian Boozer, Mary Brosnan, Ed Bunkley, Terry Burchnell, Debbie Butler, Tom Caleodis, Mark Campbell, Howard Clashman, Allen Cole, Kathy Cook, Carol Evans, Debra Evans, Brian Foster, Delbert Fullerton, Marty Furguson.

Shellie Gardner, Tom Gisler,

Kevin Graves, Mark Graves, Angela Gray, Bryan Grubb, Tom Hampton, Todd Harden, Mitchell Harden, Jill Hatcher, Alan Hauck, Jamie Hixon, Debra Hollar, Larry Homan, Robin Hotchkiss, John Howard, Cindy Howell, Steve Howell, Brenda Hyland.

Amy Instine, Katie Jeffers, Jeff Johnson, Peter Joseph, Delynn Katz, Albert Kessler, Jeff Klein, Jeff Kohler, Todd Krajewski, Lisa Leabee, Carol Lewis, Cindy Lutes, Melody Malone, Phyllis Marshall, Gayle Martin, Alayna Matson, Mike McCarthy, Jim McDonough, Shawn McDonough, Sheila McDonough.

Jim Miller, Jon Moses, Joe Owens, Genia Page, Ron Parian, Bob Park, Jim Park, Kevin Pool, Cheryl Prusinski, David Prusinski, Bruce Quellhorst, Karen Reichelderfer, Christine Rose, Bill Roseberry, Patsy Salyers, Tina Salyers.

Ricky Schultz, Cheryl Shahan, Glenn Shockley, Kevin Skehan, Scott Slight, Ricky Snow, Ed Steinke, Kevin Stubbs, Richard Swartz, Bob Walter, Fred White, Jim Wickman, Jeff Wicks, Bruce Williams, Trina Williams, Mike Youst.

Sports Awards

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Wickman was named the team's most enthusiastic player. Marty Gardner was called the team's most improved player. Mr. Walter presented certificates of participation to the following members of the junior varsity team: Richard Brotton, Terry Burchnell, Marty Gardner, Mark Graves, Albert Kessler, John Mark, Jonnese Moses, Perry Mott, Bob Park, Rick Snow, James Wickman, Jeff Wicks.

In junior high school basketball, Coach Chuck Owen announced Steve Howell as the team's most valuable player. He selected Tony Long as the player with most hustle and enthusiasm. The trophy for the most improved player went to David Brooks. Coach Owen presented certificates of participation to Phil Azara, David Brooks, Ed Bunkley, Marty Furguson, Kevin Graves, Steve Howell, Mark Jordan, Tony Long, Vance Mathews, Mike

McCarthy, Ronnie Parian, and Scott Slight.

In girls' basketball, Coaches Mary Ellen Chappelle and Jenifer Toth named Theresa DiGiannantonio the team's most valuable player. Robin Tangeman was called the team's most enthusiastic player. Trina Williams won recognition as the team's most improved player. Certificates of participation went to the following members of the girls' basketball team: Christine Atkinson, Kathleen Bojanowski, Vivian Boozer, Brenda Borkowski, Mary Brosnan, Theresa DiGiannantonio, Jamie Hixon, Robin Hotchkiss, Delynn Katz, Lisa Leabee.

Phyllis Marshall, Ruth Napper, Genia Page, Cheryl Shahan, Mary Shepherd, Brenda Snyder, Robin Tangeman, Trina Williams.

In girls' softball, Coaches Chappelle and Toth named Kathleen Bojanowski the team player with the most hustle and enthusiasm. Cheryl Prusinski is this year's most improved player on the girls' softball team.

Awards

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members: Darin Beer, Hope Booth, Jimmy Carson, Delilah Dusenbury, Todd Harden, Cindy Howell, Ruth Napper, Bobby Nord, Sonja Stephens. Mrs. Louise Wright, OSD librarian and director of the media center, presented the Choral Group with a plaque in recognition of its performance at the Karl Road Christian Church at Christmas.

Mrs. Kristine Westbeld, OSD art teacher, presented special awards for outstanding achievement in art class to Jim Park and Larry Moyer, sophomores, and Bruce Williams, freshman.

Recognition for outstanding work in the Drama Club went to the following students: Christina Atkinson, Robert Atkinson, Hope Booth, Tina Boozer, Vivian Boozer, Shirley Davis, Mark Graves, Bryan Grubb, Jill Hatcher, Debra Hollar, Peter Joseph, Jeff Klein.

Cindy Lutes, Phyllis Marshall, Perry Mott, Jim Park, Cheryl Prusinski, David Prusinski, Kevin Sanderlin, Rick Schultz, Ed Steinke, Trina Williams, Bruce Williams.

On behalf of OSD, Mr. Krisko presented Mrs. Lois Field a framed certificate in appreciation of her eight years of volunteer service in the OSD library and as a tutor in the primary department.

Teresa Gardner and Tim Knapp, Centennial High School students, received vocational certificates for completing vocational classes at OSD.

Mrs. Joyce Clapham was the interpreter for the Awards Day Assembly.

On The Job

Nine of OSD's seventeen seniors are now employed in the areas for which they prepared on campus. Thomas Hampton, Jr., 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hampton, Sr., Reynoldsburg, is employed at Maaco Auto Body Painting in Columbus.

Gary Santavicca, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Santavicca, Groveport, has accepted a position in the office of Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbus. Terry McCoy, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry McCoy, Xenia, is working at Arby's near the Graceland Shopping Center, Columbus.

Fred Tritt, 20, Youngstown, is employed in the shipping department of the Shoe Corporation of America, Columbus. Bryon Cormany, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cormany, Akron, is working in the body shop of Al Thompson Chevrolet, Akron.

Terry Lee Hodkinson, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Junior Hodkinson, Tippecanoe, is working as a block mason for Carl Ramshack in Harrison County. Michael Lepley, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lepley, North Lawrence, is working in the production department of the Swift Chemical Company, Orrville.

Heidi Piwowski, 21, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Piwowski, Parma, is employed in the collection department of the First Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland. Scott Bichsel, 21, son of Mrs. Peggy Zeppernick, Alliance, has joined Miller-Holzwarth, Inc., Salem, in utility maintenance.

Recreation announces the following winners in the recent bowling tournament: Rick Schultz in B-4, 5, 6; Scott Slight in B-3; Debra Hollar in G-4, 5; Delynn Katz in G-3.



Assistant Superintendent Merlen Gruenhagen congratulates Christina Atkinson and Ricky Schultz who were named OSD's good citizens for 1978-79. Mr. Robert Krisko, OSD counselor-coordinator is seated in the background.

Graduation

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Parma; Gary* Francis Santavicca, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Santavicca, Groveport; Glenn Allen Shockley, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Burl Shockley, Lewisburg; Robert Thomas Sillanpaa, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sillanpaa, Conneaut.

Kathy Carolen Tosky, 20, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Tosky, Cincinnati; Fred Tritt, 20, Youngstown; Franklin George Woods, Jr., 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin G. Woods, Sr., Zanesville.

The invocation and benediction were offered by Mr. Charles Owen, OSD faculty member. Following Commencement exercises, graduates their families, and guests attended a reception in the recreation lounge.

Serving on the graduation committee with Superintendent Grover and Assistant Superintendent Gruenhagen were Mrs. Carol Baldasare, Mr. Scott McKeon, Mrs. Jan Pohlit, and Mrs. Roberta Snoke.

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