

# 56 Named As Scholars

Illinois State Scholarship recipients have been announced for the 1970-71 year. Fifty-six Pekin High students are among the new State Scholars named. High school academic record and examination scores were used in the selection.

State Scholars represent nearly every state high school, and the 16,513 students honored were chosen from among 56,062 youths who entered competition by taking either the April 26 or July 19 examination administered by the American College Testing Program.

Monetary awards to \$1,200 for tuition and mandatory fees at the public or private college in Illinois of a student's choice will be awarded to these students as evidenced by data indicating financial need.

State Scholars from PCHS include: Michael Nance, Eugene Alesandrini, Lauriann Bangren, Dennis Benker, Catherine Bennett, Duane Bennowitz, Carolyn Berry, Jean Brecher, Kristin Brown, Nancy Brown, William Buchanan, Stanley Buhrow, Gary Carlson,

Randall Davis, David Eisenberg, Barbara Elliott, Joyce Fisher, Martha Flatley, Thomas Freeman, Julie Ghidina, Carol Gleich, Toni Godby, Jerry Gray, John Hales, Melanie Harding, John Homerin, Jack Horn, Linda Jeffrey, Brad Johnson, Michael Keen, Richard Kohtz, Nancy Lange, Jerry Lockhart, Cynthia Margonis, Victoria Mullen, Walter Quinn, Patricia Rardin, Scot Remmert, Susan Rhoades, Beth Riedinger, Michael Rushford, Timm Schwartz, Monty Shaw, Vikki Simer, Richard Sims, David Smith, Martha Smith, Robert Steinke, Julia Stone, Jason Thies, Scott Thomas, Carol Walker, Diana Walton, Christine Werner, Kathleen Whaley, Paula White.

## Hacker Heads VICA

Bill Hacker, PCHS senior, recently was elected vice president of the Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (V.I.C.A.) at the group's meeting at Heritage House in Springfield.

Bill will preside over Region III, a 27-county area.

Hacker is enrolled in the PCHS vocational program, and works 24 hours weekly at Velde Ford where he is in training in auto mechanics.

Besides gaining experience for his future career, in V.I.C.A., Bill learns about business through Junior Achievement. He has won many awards for the outstanding service he has given his company. He also has gained a school letter as a member of the track team.

Pekin will be the site of the annual V.I.C.A. Fun Night this year, with approximately 300 youths anticipated to attend. The Fun Night is open to all Region III members. Hacker is in charge of the planning work.

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HOMECOMING QUEEN COURT for Pekin Community High School includes: (left to right), Holly Phanz, Trudy Woodruff, Linda Jeffery, Nancy Brown and Queen Shelly Lower. Queen Shelly, a senior, is active in PCHS Student Council, the Usherettes, and Pekinois. Photo courtesy of Pekin Times.

## PCHS Presents Evening Of Music

An Evening of Music will be presented November 3, in the East campus gym.

Tickets are on sale for \$1, and a family will be admitted with 2 tickets.

The program will include selections by the Freshman Chorus, Sophomore Choir, Boys' Ensemble, Melody Maids, Concert Band, Jazz Band, Orchestra, and Junior and Sophomore Girls' Glee Club.

Combined numbers (band and orchestra) will perform "Ode to Joy" and "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

## Shelly Lower Is Homecoming Queen

### 'Wizard' Warms PCHS Chinks' Spirit

Color it warm! PCHS's '69 Homecoming was off to a roaring start with the pep rally and bonfire held October 23.

Bonfires have become a ritual with homecoming. They are anticipated by students and fondly remembered

by members of the alumni. Spirit is rallied for the annual homecoming game. So was the case Thursday night as hundreds of PCHS students attended the festivities.

Nancy Brown, Linda Jeffery, Shelly Lower, Holly Phanz, and Trudy

"1969 PCHS Homecoming Queen is Shelly Lower!" announced Barry Haas at the half-time ceremonies between the Pekin Chinks and Peoria Central football game. Mr. James Wallinger, member of Pekin High School Board of Education, crowned Shelly as Pekin's twenty-second queen. The queen candidates were driven around the stadium track in

the crowning. The final coronation was at the Homecoming dance Saturday night in the East Campus cafeteria.

With the Homecoming theme Autumn Haze, the cafeteria was decorated in the fall colors of red and brown and gold. A huge scarecrow and haystack filled the quadrangle. The long hall to the cafeteria had streamers of brown and gold crepe

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## ALSAC Bash On Nov. 2 In Peoria

Spalding Auditorium, Peoria is set for the spectacular "St. Jude-Mission Impossible" show featuring a million dollar ensemble of talent gathered by WIRL Program Director "D. J. Dan" Hoffman for the grooviest entertainment ever.

Donating their skills to benefit St. Jude's Children's Hospital will be such well-known artists as Ronny Dove, Bobby Russell, Al Martino, The Original Caste, R. B. Greaves, The Newbeats, Clifford Curry, and The Underground Sunshine, and others.

The show will split in two segments beginning with a 2 p.m. matinee. Each show, expected to last approximately 2½ hours, will feature different entertainers. Tickets, available in advance from merchants will sell at \$3 per show or both shows for \$5. At the door sales will be \$3 per show.

The First Annual "Mission Impossible" show adds a new dimension to fund raising efforts made each year by area young people in the Teenagers' March for ALSAC. Proceeds are used in the battle against leukemia and other child-killing diseases.

Tickets will go on sale October 21, 1969 at several Peoria stores, including Bergner's.

## Tune In, Turn On, But Don't Drop Out

Bored? Tired of school and everybody telling you what to do? You're not learning anything anyway.

Go ahead; quit school! A whole world of "excitement" awaits you on the "outside." You can always get a job. Make your own living, buy a car, rent an apartment, throw parties, buy lots of clothes. Get married. Yea, that solves everything. Nobody tells married people what to do. Freedom, freedom, freedom?

### Get A Job

Went to the employment office. "Go back to school. We haven't anything for you." Try the want-ads, somebody is always needing help: dishwasher, nurses' aide, waitress, gas station attendant, cook, some factory work. "Why aren't you in school?"

The pay for these various occupations ranges from 60 cent to \$1.85 an hour. \$1.85 an hour? That's not bad pay? (Remember, your pay is going to remain the same. Won't increase with your needs. Only high school graduates have the ability to advance.)

### This Is Living?

Got a job. Bought a car. It's not much, but it will do until you can afford something better. Needs a tune-up and a little bodywork. Do the work yourself, and it won't cost much. Make it better than new in no time.

"It seems like every time I fix one thing, something else goes wrong. It takes every penny I can spare and a lot I can't, just to keep this old heap of junk running."

"Why don't you buy a new car?" "Are you kidding? I haven't paid for the one I've got yet, and besides, I've got too much tied up in this thing to sell it for what I could get for it."



STEVE FRANKENSTEIN, Cartoonist

### Get Married

Got married. Not exactly what you expected. It only takes an hour a day to keep that darling little apartment shining like a silver dollar. Nothing to do the rest of the day. The girl next door just had a baby. Gee, he sure is cute. Why not? Your husband makes as much as hers. He finished school, has a good job, his insurance will pay the doctor and hospital bills. You can afford a baby. Marriage is for making babies. If you're not going to have children, why bother to get married at all?

"The landlord dropped by today."

"What did he want? We paid the rent last week."

"He said we'd have to move. The baby keeps the neighbors awake at night. Besides, children are destructive, and he can't afford to keep the place up on the \$90 a month we pay."

"Well! If he's going to be THAT way about it, we'll just rent another place. Check the want-ads. I'm sure we'll find something better than this hole!"

"I already have. Nothing. Every place that sounds halfway decent has

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## Drop-outs Return For 2nd Try Again

"People drop out of school for a number of reasons: marriages, unattendance, and other interests," says attendance clerk Mrs. Andrews.

During the '68-'69 school year, 165 students dropped out of PCHS. That's 5.3 percent of the total enrollment for that year. If the non-returning students who didn't attend school elsewhere were taken into account, the percentage would go much higher!

As of October 1, 1969, 22 students had dropped out of PCHS.

	GIRLS	BOYS
Freshmen	3	0
Sophomores	1	1
Juniors	7	4
Seniors	2	4
Total	22	13

"Things are looking bad this year." According to Mr. Lawrence Stone, director of guidance, drop-outs do return however. Most sophomore drop-outs return to school to try to continue studies, but approximately half fail to complete graduation requirements. Those who do, usually graduate in the summer sessions.

### Music To Revolt By

"Turn down that infernal racket!" This phrase has come to be one of the more common means of widening the generation gap. Parents listening to their teenage offspring's record or tape session can not understand what he sees (or hears) in it. They fail to grasp the main idea of the music of today: that it is to be listened to, to be the center of attention, to become involved with, to absorb, and to be absorbed by.

The parents of today's youth rave and rant about their child's music without realizing that what they are actually doing is repressing evolution in a small way. Every generation since man first walked the earth has rebelled against its predecessor. That is how man has come to where he is now. Would civilization have progressed as far as it has if a stone-age man's son had been content with his father's tools? Today's music is but one result of today's youth's search to discover himself and the reason for his existence. This idea is well expressed in a song from the famous Broadway musical, *Hair*—"Where Do I Go?" This question sums up youth's anguished quest for tomorrow.

The music of the previous generation may be the reason for the suddenness of the present musical revolution. After the depression, America sank into the mire known as "keeping up with the Joneses." Status symbol followed status symbol until most middle-class families had their stereo sets and their tape recorders. Possessing these, the family heads felt guilty if they went unused. What did they have to play on these modern examples of affluence and ingenuity? The music of their younger years seemed suitable and it thus rose to the heights of popularity. Soon, in every neighborhood, children grew up to stereos incessantly playing "Ramblin' Roses" and "Autumn Leaves." The majority of those children ultimately rejected this style. But, although the music of yesterday was developed to be secondary to another pastime of some kind, it still lingers like an old tree which, while withered and dying, still refuses to pass on because there is still water for it to drink. The water that it uses could, of course, be feeding young, growing plants with a brighter future.

Unfortunately, there is still a group which advocates a return to the insane self-pity and sooty-park-bench-lovers type of sound. This is the so-called "western" or "country" music which employs a whining, yodeling, story-telling format which no longer applies to the actual world of the present. This is becoming more and more popular now. Perhaps this movement toward regression represents the retaliation of those with whom the last generation's ideals and ideas have been so thoroughly ingrained that they supercede and block the idea of change. This is the "horse and buggy crowd" which overlooks the future and dwells in the past.

The supporters of rock, then, should never let it revert to what came before. This music is one facet of the salvation of the senses both mental and physical. Without the continuation of the evolution of music as an equal to the other arts, intelligent man will inevitably go down the drain and another culture will come upon the scene — the one of mindless automations. To repress and ultimately destroy today's music so as to live the past may well mean the repression and ultimate destruction of tomorrow's man.

### Teen-Act President Meets Poster Child

Action! This was the key word for a March of Dimes convention, involving four states (Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana) held in Chicago on October 11, 12, and 13.

Chris Noward, a senior at PCHS and chairman of the Teen-Act program, attended.

Throughout the three days activities, meetings, and workshops were held.

"Meeting the 1969-'70 poster child, who has no arms or legs, was one of the most heart-rendering experiences," says Chris. Two other women from Pekin attended as Tazewell County representatives.

Chris, who was appointed by Barb Vanatta last year's chairman, will choose another student for the next year's drive in early spring.

### M.C. Officers Elected

A meeting of the P.C.H.S. Medical Careers Club was held on Tuesday, October 21, from 7:30 till 8:30 in the East campus cafeteria. New officers were elected. They are Paula White, president; Val Yontz, vice-president; and Ron Whaley, secretary-treasurer.

A program was presented by Mr. Cadagin, Director of the Pekin Vocational Center, and Mr. Glover, Coordinator of the Center. Background was given on Vocational Education, its purposes, functions, and advantages. Also a group of students gave a detailed account of their own experiences in Vocational Education. They were Donna Crump, Jack Ficher, Patricia Holland, Ricky Fogiano, Sandie Minar, Steve Sumner, and Marcia Ziegenbein.

The next meeting will be in November and the date will be announced later. The club plans a field trip to Cook County Hospital on Saturday, November 8.



### Procedures For Change

The need for change is an integral feature of any group in society, and this is especially true in a high school. Pekin High has had its share of changes in past years. The most important changes probably have taken place in the curriculum, but many have been made in all phases of the school. Most of these have been due directly or indirectly to the influence of students. Often students are not aware of the fact that they have brought about any change at all. Also, changes which are desired by many students are not made known because these students do not know the proper way to present these suggestions for consideration.

The administration hopes that the procedure provided in this statement will make it possible for changes desired by a group of students to be

changes, however, must concern items of proper consideration for students. For example, most matters of teacher welfare, such as salaries and fringe benefits, would not be appropriate items for requests under this procedure.

When a change in school policies, procedures, etc. is desired by a number of students, a request for this change can be submitted to the Student Council or to one of the administrators. Each request will be reviewed by the superintendent and Student Council to decide if it is a topic which should be given further consideration. If so, it will then be referred to a Study Group set up for this one request only. This Study Group will be made up of six students, two classroom teachers, one counselor, and one dean.

The study group will be made up of three members of the Student Council, with both campuses represented, and three students from the group submitting the request. The Student Council members will be appointed by the Student Council president and the three other students

will be named by their own group. The superintendent will appoint all faculty members. The superintendent and Student Council president will consult with each other in making appointments agreeable to both.

The Study Group will be called together by the superintendent for its first meeting to discuss general guidelines for their work. A chairman and secretary will be elected, and the superintendent will withdraw. The work of the group will continue until a complete study is made and possible recommendations are prepared for submission to the superintendent and, when appropriate, to the Board of Education. If the time required by the study extends over several weeks, periodic progress reports will be made to the Student Council and to the administration.

they shall be specific, within the ability of the group to arrive at specifics. They must be lawful, and they should be possible to adopt, in the opinion of the Study Group. Reasons for the final recommendations must be definitely stated. The vote in the Study Group on all motions shall be by secret ballot, and the result of each vote shall be recorded in the report.

When the final report of the Study Group is submitted to the superintendent, he will study the report, institute further inquiries if necessary, consult with the Board of Education when required, and then make a decision on the recommendations. The decision will be given in person to the Study Group and publicized to the student body.

WILLIAM H. HOLMAN  
Superintendent

### Quote The Pekinois -- 'Ever More?'

"The skies they were ashen and sober — The leaves they were crisped and sere—The leaves they were withering and sere — It was night in the lonesome October — Of my most immemorial year." So wrote Edgar Allen Poe in October, the month in which this author-poet died.

For over a century, Edgar Allen Poe's tales have chilled his readers, young and old, and have filled them with "fantastic terrors never felt before." Perhaps even more interesting is the fact that re-issues of several of his early 19th Century works have recently appeared on TV, including "Murders in the Rue Morgue" and "The Oblong Box."

The fact that Edgar Allen Poe holds a secure place in American literature is stressed by the fifteen American Literature classes that are now studying his works.

Miss Maril Zimmerman, one of the PCHS American Literature teachers, prefers to study Poe on two levels, sight and insight.

"Insight," explains Miss Zimmerman, "is exploring the symbolism of what Poe wrote and seeking out parallels in his writing and how it applies today." Miss Zimmerman considers Poe especially important because he did so much to establish American literature criticism.

Poe's life was a tragic one, filled with ghosts and terrors found only in the deep recesses of the human mind. His favorite subject is death. His poetry is filled with alliteration. One poem, "Annabel Lee," was set to music and became a very popular song some years ago.

Poe drank excessively and never spite his personal weaknesses and problems, Poe is considered one of the greatest American writers by many literary critics.

Wrote Poe of his own feelings:  
"I dwelt alone  
In a world of moan  
And my soul was a stagnant tide."

### Richard Ketcham In Methodist Hospital

Richard Ketcham, PCHS senior, was injured in an automobile accident October 12. He has a badly injured neck, and a damaged spine. While being moved to Methodist Hospital, he was kept in constant traction. If any student wishes to send a card to Richard, he may write: Richard Ketcham, Intensive Care Ward, Methodist Hospital, Peoria, Illinois.

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## Malaria, Monsoons, Asian Soup Are Memories Of Peace Corps

Ever been to Nakorhsrithamarat? That's a town and not a typist's flub!

Mr. Thomas Tokarski, PCHS science teacher, spent two years and two months there while serving in the Peace Corps.

Mr. Tokarski, visiting in villages most of the time, found the people of Thailand friendly and interested in Americans. One of their common misbeliefs is that all Americans are rich.

## Mother's Day In October

M-O-M. This was the way the PCHS marching band saluted Pekin's varsity football players' mothers on October 17. This was their night.

Before the game each mother received a kiss and a red rose from her son.

Interviews with parents by a Pekin reporter drew comments:

Mrs. James Wallinger, "I enjoy football and understand the game more after having two sons play. Bill, a sophomore at WIU, played for Pekin before; and Dave is on the varsity now. Dave likes steak in the early afternoon and he usually eats pizza after the game.

"Bill was very superstitious," Mrs. Wallinger added. He had to wear one shirt all the time, or it was sure defeat."

Mr. Wallinger jokingly said, "It didn't help much."

Mrs. Letch Branch says that Dean, a senior tackle and center for the Chinks, eats soup before the game.

She added, "Afterwards I don't know what he eats, because he and his friends go to a drive-in restaurant."

Dean looks very rough and tough on the football field, but he doesn't come home angry if the Chinks lose. Mr. Branch said this was because Dean did this once, and he remanded him.

The Branches' are faithful followers of the football Chinks, and they said the worst game they have ever been to was the Limestone game last year. The temperature was in the 20's, it was snowing, and the wind was blowing hard.

"It scares me to death every time I see Don tackled!" exclaimed Mrs. Hershell Cottrell. However, it doesn't seem to bother Mr. Cottrell. Mr. Cottrell played football himself for four years in Alabama, and experienced tackles first hand! Asked about Don's favorite meal — "usually steak and a baked potato!"

"Don's superstitious in a way," says Mrs. Cottrell. He won't wear the same pants he wore in the Canton game, because he got hurt." Mr. and Mrs. Cottrell attend every game. They feel that the Richwoods game was the "worst" because "we lost." Don's brother, Barry, played varsity football at PCHS four years ago.

Working in malaria control, Mr. Tokarski was in charge of seeing that all liveable dwellings were sprayed with DDT each six months. He also tried to detect possible malaria cases.

Commenting on differences between America and Thailand, he said that there were no hot showers, no American music, and no people to talk to on his own level. The weather was either very wet (monsoon season) or very dry with no in-between. The people who are mainly Buddhist, believe in eating all parts of an animal: they use the stomach and intestines of pigs for soup.

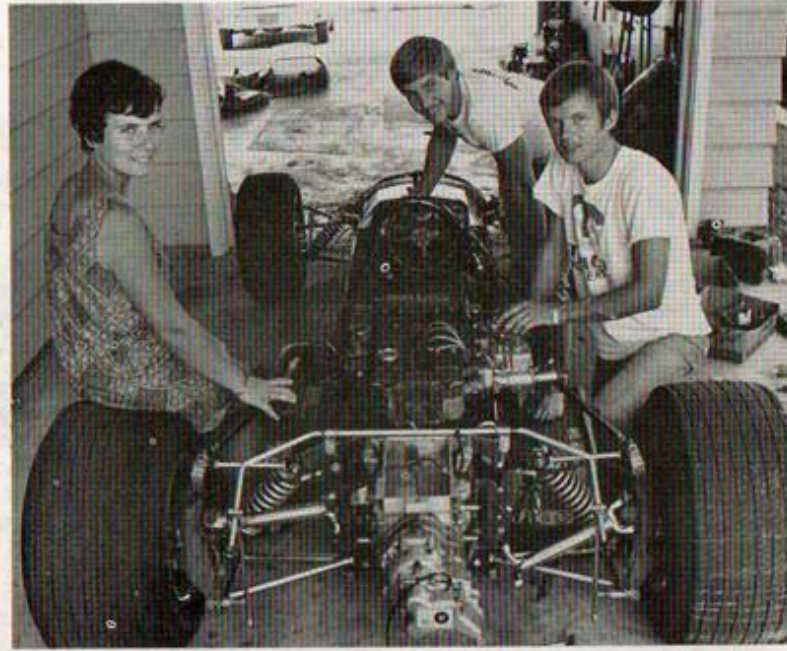
The government of Thailand is a very corrupt military dictatorship, he says. "Thai people believe that if a man is smart enough to steal money from the people while in office and not get caught, he should stay in office."

Mr. Tokarski's interest in the Peace Corp was first aroused when as a freshman at Michigan State University, he and several friends applied as a 'lark.' All their applications were rejected. He decided to try again, however, when he was a senior.

After receiving his Master's degree in biology from Indiana University, he came to PCHS. This year he is teaching earth science and biology.

From a large family (six brothers and four sisters) in Port Huron, Mich., Mr. Tokarski says that he became interested in science as a boy when he got a small microscope and some insects.

# Sports Car Racing Is A Family Affair



THE FAMILY THAT RACES TOGETHER stays together. Shown working on the family race car project are (left to right) Connie Jones, her brother, Bill Friederich, and her husband Earl Jones.

"Sports car racing is exciting because you never know what's going to happen," says Bill Friederich, PCHS '69 graduate, who worked with race driver Earl Jones during the summer. Friederich went on to say that the last car can take over the lead in a "split second."

According to Bill, stock car racing doesn't even compare with sports cars. The racing isn't the only attractive part of this sport, the traveling also brings many people into racing. In one summer Bill and Earl and the rest of the team traveled to California, Canada, Minne-

sota, Ohio, Iowa, and many other states. They also met Dick Smothers and a lot of other interesting people.

Even with these interesting facets of this sport, it is still a "heart break" gamble. Racers take a lot of disappointments, for instance, a team might work all night on a car that won't even finish. That's why they have to "learn to lose." Although they are also competing for the prize, that isn't the most important part of the game because each driver knows that with each race he gets better.

Don't think that racing is just for the drivers and pit crew. As Bill said, "It's also a very exciting spectator sport." He said that some col-

lege kids even camped out for three days previous to a race, just to see the teams practice.

To offset the great dangers involved, the whole sport is geared for driver safety. Each car must carry a fire extinguisher within reach of the driver. There are also four cornermen at each corner to signal to the drivers and to be on hand in case of an accident. The race can even be stopped in the event of a bad accident. A driver must also give way if he is going to be passed.

Formula A racing, Indianapolis style, is very expensive because of the spare parts required to keep the cars running. The team usually takes three engines along in case of failure of one or two. Because of this it is very hard to race Formula A unless a sponsor can be found who is willing to foot the bill. Also most of the drivers are over 21.

Earl, a 1958 graduate, was named team driver for the Charlie Hayes-Dan Blocker-Nickey Chevrolet team and raced in the Can-Am Series.

Jones is married to the former Miss Connie Friederich. Both Connie and her brother Bill, assist in racing pit work during events.

## Bonfire 'Babysitters'

Security guards for the bonfire! Pekin Community High School had volunteer guards — Barry Haas, Dave Smith, and Timm Schwartz spent two nights guarding the bonfire to make certain the wood wasn't burned ahead of time.

Tuesday and Wednesday nights the boys stood guard so that the work of gathering the wood (by the student council) wouldn't be in vain. Police checked on the youths frequently too, so that they would be safe.

## Drum Major Waiting For 'Trip'

"I'm waiting for the day I trip," commented Mike Pfeiffer, PCHS drum major.

Mike, a junior, started his career as drum major at Edison and also played the tenor sax and clarinet in the high school band.

Mike attended Northward Institute, a summer camp, from July 6 through July 11. The camp, which was held at Midland, Michigan, taught basic fundamentals for cheerleading and drum majors in workshops. Mike was the only Illinoisan attending.

"The drum major's main job is giving whistle signals for different songs and formations and leading the marchers to and from the field," explains Mike.

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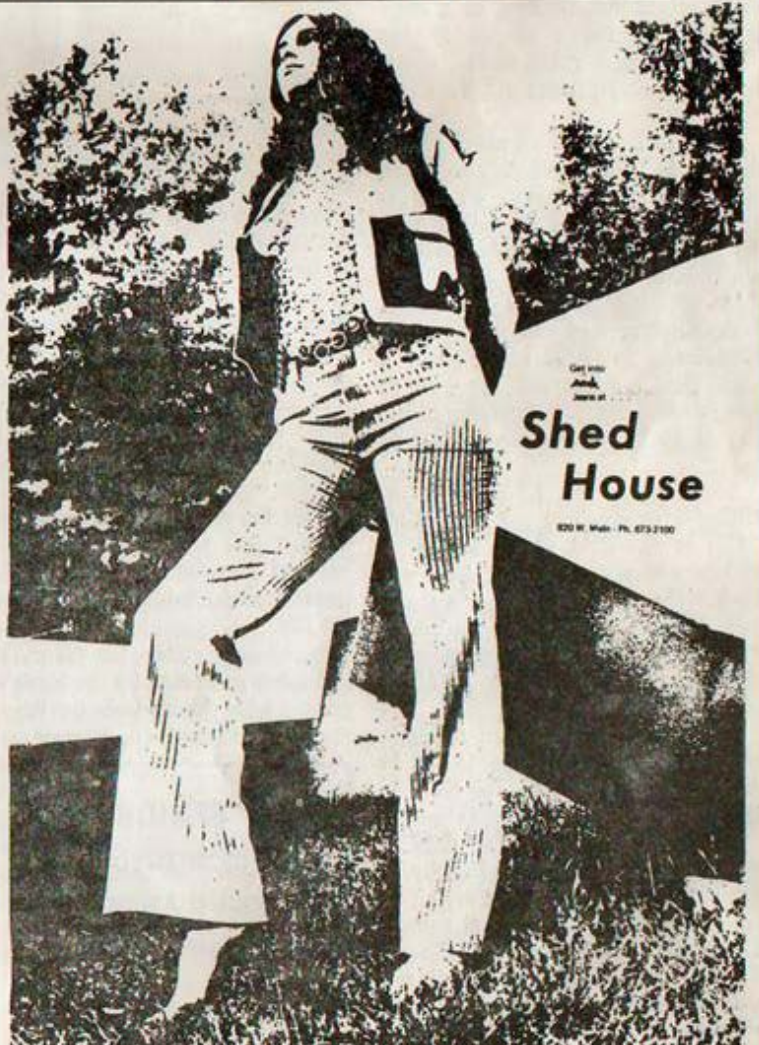


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## Cast Selected For PCHS Fall Play

The door to B-104 on the East Campus has recently become sticky from the Scotch Tape adhesive. Once again, the drama season has arrived at PCHS and names of players are already being posted.

The Fall Play, **Take Her, She's Mine**, will be presented on November

20, 21, and 22. **Take Her, She's Mine** is a two-act comedy by Phoebe and Henry Ephron. The story is about a Southern California teenage girl, and the problems she and her parents find at an eastern college.

Tryouts for the play were held on October 9, 10, and 13. Call-backs were held on Tuesday, October 14, and on Wednesday the cast was chosen.

Mollie Michaelson, the leading role, will be played by Barb Reed. Jeff Strang portrays her father, Frank Michaelson. Alex, a "super-cool graduate student," is played by Gary Liming and Greg Griffith plays Donn, a campus wheel from Harvard. John Wilson has the part of Emmet, a high school senior. Mollie's mother, Anne, is played by Yvonne Martin, and Mollie's friends, Sarah and Adele, are played by Mary Harris and Jeanette Hamilton. Lynette Knight plays Mollie's younger sister, Liz. Vicki Fisher, Gary Green, Sue Eaglen, Gene Alesandrini, Nancy Louchart, Brad Bacon, Lindsay Bianchi, Mike Hodgson, Jeff Sarver, Jim West, and Bob Dillon back up the main characters.

Debby Dietrich, Suzi Halpin, and Margaret Hardt are the director's assistants.

Miss Edith Harrod, drama director, has already worked out a rehearsal schedule. The stage crew has begun scenery and lighting, in order to get the show in shape by November.

## Wizard—

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Central Lions. Papa Joe was coach-napped from his home but the mighty Chinks came through in the nick of time. Papa Joe returned to help the Chinks win the game and live happily ever after.

Pekin's Chinks had to wander through the Forest of Trials for the junior skit. Wise Confucious told them that to beat Central they must get the apples of spirit and courage and victory. So the brave Pekin team wandered through the forest until they had all the apples, then came back to win the game.

The Land of Oz was the scene for the senior skit. Joe and Norma came to Oz from a suburb of Pekin. The Munchkins met them and showed them the way to the wizard. Along the way, they met the scarecrow coach for Central, some tiny women who wanted spirit, and the cowardly lions. When the group reached the wizard, he gave spirit and courage and the best coach to Pekin.

After the skits, Coach Venturi gave a short talk and then the students followed the team to the bonfire. Dean Branch, team captain, lighted the fire.

The bonfire is over, but the warmth and spirit generated by the blaze will remain with the students for days to come.

## Frosh Officers Named

Freshman Class officers were listed erroneously in the last Pekinois. Officers include President, Dave Widby; Vice-President, Scott Kaufman; and Secretary-treasurer, John Ellis.

## Worth Listening To

Here is PCHS's very own "Billboard." The number one songs are "Jet Plane" and "Come Together." "Wedding Bell Blues" is in the number two position.

Tied for number three are "Elias' Coming," "Hey, Little Women," "Everybody's Talking," and "One Tin Soldier." Rated number four are "Jesus Is A Soul Man," "Hurt So Bad," "Something," "Suspicious Mind," and "Sugar, Sugar." "Holly, Holly," and "Ruben James" are the number five tunes.

"Jean" stands alone at number six with "What's The Use of Breaking Up" number seven and "I Want You to Know" number eight. "When I Die" is rated ninth, with "Tall Dark Stranger" holding down the tenth position.

## SHELLY LOWER—

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paper lining the way. The east windows of the cafeteria were covered with soap and the names of the senior lettermen were drawn on the windows.

Shelly Lower, escorted to the throne by Dean Branch, football team captain, led the Homecoming Court. Holly Phanz and Doug Anderson, Nancy Brown and Brad Scortino, Linda Jeffery and Jim Puhai, Trudy Woodruff and Rick Wyatt followed the Queen.

The Student Council began decorating at 7:15 Saturday morning and finished at 5:30 p.m. The approximate cost for decorations was set at \$125. Kris Brown, a senior, was chairman of the decorating committee.

Total cost for the Homecoming Dance is approximately \$850. This included the band, Bare Wire, which cost \$500; refreshments, including punch, cookies, potato chips, dip, and mints, for \$175; tickets and programs at \$50, and decorations for \$125.

Committee chairmen for homecoming included: Chuck Van Dyke, bonfire; Kris Brown, decorations; Ted Strand, tickets and programs; Sally

## Happenings

### NOVEMBER—

- 1—State Final cross country meet 8:00, FOOTBALL—Spalding, T 9 a.m., Fr. football—10:30, Soph. football. Spalding here
- 3—Evening of Music, EC theatre 7:30—IHSA wrestling rules interpretation meeting, WC gym.
- 5—Assembly—EC-Dance Band WC—Melody Maids
- Staff meeting, EC
- 6—Open House, EC
- 7—End of 9 weeks
- Ill. Foreign Lang. Teachers meeting at Chicago
- 8:15 — FOOTBALL — Limestone AG Dance—FTA
- 8—9 a.m., Fr. football; 10:30 Soph. football — Limestone T.
- American Education Week
- 10—Board of Education Meeting Frosh-Soph party
- 11—Veteran's Day, School dismissed 9 a.m., Fr. football; 10:30, Soph. football — Woodruff, T.
- 12—Teachers' Alliance
- 14—8:15, FOOTBALL, Woodruff, H. AG Dance — NFL

Myers, refreshments; and Linda Michaelson, queen and court.

## Ex-D.E. Student Now Manager

Old D. E. students don't fade away—they just become successes.

Mr. Robert E. Kirkpatrick is a good example. Mr. Kirkpatrick was a D. E. student at Pekin High in 1961-62. He is currently working as manager at Esthers. His position lacks a job description! That is, he does everything from keeping books, to buying clothes, to giving style shows.

Upon graduation from high school Mr. Kirkpatrick attended Murray State College in Kentucky. He majored in business. After college, he served four years in the Navy, just completing a tour in Viet Nam two months ago. In the Navy he was trained in electronics. "I don't know why, but that was what the Navy wanted me to do, so I did it!"

Following his discharge from the Navy in September, he immediately went to work at Esther's. "I had planned to go into business. When my father died last year, I knew I would work here when I was discharged."

When did he decide to go into business? "I always had thought of business as a career and my D. E. experience finalized my plans. I worked for Russ Strauman while I was in D. E. and then decided to go into the retail end of the business."

According to Mr. Kirkpatrick, his D. E. experience has been very helpful. He said that working in a store he was afforded a chance to see "how a business really works, something you simply can't get from text books."

While in D. E. he attended a conference in Chicago which may have been the biggest influence on his career decision. Here he talked with Mr. J. C. Penney and other important businessmen.

In speaking about his job, Mr. Kirkpatrick is very enthusiastic. "It's hard work, in fact I haven't had a night that I could call my own in the four weeks, but it's interesting, the pay is good, and you are your own boss."

According to Mr. Kirkpatrick, retailing is an excellent and open field. "This is one field where lack of a college education will not hold you back." He also says there is a shortage of young people in the field. "I've been working only two months, and already I've had three good job offers."

Apparently salesman earn adequate salaries. Esther's carries 15 to 20 different lines of clothes, so there is lots of opportunity for good salesman.

Mr. Kirkpatrick also employs a D. E. student. She is Sue Murphy, a student at Pekin. "We are trying to teach Sue all of the different aspects of running a store, especially knowledge of the product. You can't sell without this knowledge, and the merchandise does no good hanging there. We've got to get it out the front door!"—The words of a true salesman!

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## Considering a career in business?



## Think about a Secretarial Career.

By Pat King\*

If you are a young girl thinking about your future, a secretarial job is a profession which could reward you with both an interesting and a challenging career.

A secretary is vital to all businesses today. She might be a part of a boss-secretary "team" or be called upon to work for many people, but her duties will always be important to the workings of the business.

A secretary has many and varied responsibilities—taking and transcribing dictation, answering the telephone, keeping records, handling correspondence and appointments, typing letters and other materials, and handling routine duties without supervision. These add up to one important fact—she works in a position of confidence and, with her mastery of office skills, she assists her boss and the management of a company in successfully conducting their jobs.

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You can prepare yourself for a secretarial career in high school by taking shorthand, typing, and secretarial procedures classes. English, as a fundamental medium of communication, is especially important for the secretary. If you hope to become an executive secretary, courses in business law, economics, accounting, secretarial practices, and human relations will give you a necessary foundation.

In addition, a secretary should have a good personality, like to work with people, be well organized, and be a self-starter.

There are many opportunities today for girls with secretarial skills. In a company such as Caterpillar, experience in beginning clerical and stenographic positions opens the door for future opportunities. Advancement to higher secretarial positions is available to those with good job skills and good job performance.

If you are wondering if you would be a good secretary, here are a few questions you should ask yourself:

- Am I interested in business?
- Do I like office work?
- Do I get along well with others?
- Can I adapt to new situations?
- Can I make decisions on my own?
- Can I take orders and follow through on them?
- Am I willing to admit mistakes?
- Can I do detailed work patiently and well?

If you can answer "yes", you probably have what it takes.

Your counselor or the local branch of The National Secretaries Association (International) can provide you with more information about this interesting and challenging career.



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Tune In —

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a little sentence at the end which says: 'no children, no pets.' "

"Guess we'll just have to buy a place."

"Looks that way, or we could always pitch a tent. You know, like the pioneers used to do?"

"Don't get cute. It's not funny. You knew I was planning on getting that new sportster. Thanks to you, now it will have to wait!"

Problems

Bought a house, and furniture, and a TV, and still haven't gotten the car paid for. Add taxes and living expenses. No money left for all the hundred and ten things you'd really like to have?

"Go to work."

"I can't afford to work. By the time I pay a sitter, pay for my transportation back and forth to work, and get my uniforms done every week, I only have \$10 left. It's not worth leaving the children for. Actually, my sitters clears more than I do."

"We aren't going to have any money for Christmas this year. I wish I could get a good job — just for a little while."

"We don't live on my husband's salary — we exist. Do you realize how long it has been since we could afford to go out or even to have friends over for a nice dinner? I haven't had a new dress in so long — but let's change the subject—"

Which Subject?

"English — I don't need that, I can read and write."

"Math — I can add. It's just that there's more subtraction than adding up."

PE — I get that chasing the two-year-old around all day."

"History — I've got my own problems here and now. I couldn't get much help from Napoleon or Washington. You say they met defeat once too?"

Subject — defeat? How to conquer life, earn more money, be alive, go places?

I got your message, I enrolled in school again last week.

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Navy Qualification Test Now Available

Applications for the Navy's 24th annual Regular NROTC qualification test are now available at PCHS. The nationwide examination will be given on December 13, 1969. All eligible male high school seniors and graduates may apply.

A successful candidate receives financial aid for four years of college. Registration for the test will close November 14, 1969. Bulletins containing eligibility requirements and qualifying test applications are available from PCHS counselors or the U.S. Navy Recruiting Station.

Iron Butterfly Soars Sky-High At Peoria

The Iron Butterfly was more than entertainment, it was an experience. Two thousand teens jammed into Expo Gardens to hear the music of one of the hottest groups in the country. "The music was so loud and heavy it beat inside our chests, our clothes vibrated from the ceiling high speakers and door sized amplifiers. The sweat-soaked musicians had everybody's attention for two solid hours."

The Iron Butterfly drew a standing ovation from the audience and also the police with their flashing strobe lights and 30 minutes of the toughest hard-rock Peoria has ever heard, "In a Gadda Da Vida."

Everyone left in daze and disbelief at the talent of the four called the Iron Butterfly.

Life At Morgue Is Not Dead!

Would you like to spend the night in a morgue? This is part of Kenny Faught's job at Noel Henderson Funeral Home. He goes to work at 6:00 p.m. and stays all night.

He answers and attends ambulance and death calls, helps embalm, works at visitations and funerals, and takes flowers to gravesites.

When business is slow, Kenny can sleep, listen to a radio, or do homework.

To Kenny, the most unnerving part of his job is a hissing heater. This seems to be the only thing that makes him uneasy.

"I like my job; it's interesting and always in demand," replies Kenny. Planning to be a mortician, he will attend Southern Illinois University next year after graduation from PCHS.



"NOW, PUT YOUR TOYS AWAY." This will be heard when Child Care class opens their play school. Shown, putting finishing touches on toy storage cartons are Child Care class members (left to right) Kathy Lester, Linda Bush and Judy Sweeny.

Child Care Is 'For Real' In Class

Babysitting in class? Teachers might resent it, students not understand it. But, how would you feel if you walked into class and your assignment was to watch a six-week old baby? Fifty girls at the Area Vocational Center had this opportunity to observe small babies recently.

The class, under the supervision of Mrs. Roxanna Rayburn, has also been to the Happy Times Day Care Center to observe children. The girls were each assigned to a particular child and their job was to observe and write a report on that child.

There are two sessions each day on child care. Each session lasts two hours. There are approximately fifty girls enrolled in the Child Care classes. Four girls are from other area high schools.

The first six weeks is being spent on baby care. During the second semester the girls will learn about children who are deaf, mentally retarded, have polio, and other special problems.

The girls work on many different projects during class. One of these is redecorating the classroom. They

have washed walls, painted, made curtains, and will complete other small jobs soon.

The girls now are in the process of making a playroom. They plan to have a small playschool for children. Youngsters will be brought to the classroom on a volunteer basis. This will give the girls the opportunity to actually work with children. They hope to be ready for this project before second semester.

Overall purpose of the Child Care class is to acquaint and prepare the girls for an occupation working with children.

Also basic techniques for raising children are taught in the course.

Every Friday, the girls give reports on newspaper or magazine articles concerning children. The girls also keep scrapbooks on different things they observe. Some already have definite plans to continue their education in special child care fields.

Opening Packages Loses 'Glamour' For Andrea Alfs

Enjoy opening presents at Christmas? It's always like Christmas for Andrea Alfs, a senior at PCHS, who opens boxes and boxes of clothes everyday. She works at a clothing store, opening boxes of clothes, hanging them, and attaching tags to them.

These are not the only jobs "Andy" has. She steam presses clothes for the store and sometimes has to steam press wedding gowns.

Asking "Andy" if she liked to work with wedding gowns, she replied, "I do, but they're so delicate that I'm afraid of ruining one."

Have you ever wondered who has the job of setting up display windows? "Andy's" employer used a professional window decorator. "Andy" has helped in window design, too. She had the opportunity to set up the display windows while her employer and the display man were in Chicago.

This, and the rest of "Andy's" jobs and duties keep her busy.

"Andy is in the Distributive Education class at school. She completes PCHS classes at 11:30 a.m. and reports for work.

Dear Charlie . . .

In a recent interview with Charlie Chan, the famous Chinese Detective, a reporter asked these questions.

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## Homecoming Game Spoiled By Lions

Five touchdowns by the Central Lions spoiled the Pekin Homecoming game as the Lions crushed the Chinks 35-20. The Lions were never behind as they took a 14-0 lead in the first quarter.

Senior Brad Scortino cut the lead in half with a two yard run early in the second quarter. The Lions returned the favor as Gary Sheldon scored from four yards making the score 21-7. Scortino put the Chinks back in the game again as he bulled his way over from the two yard line. And so the halftime score stood at 21-14 in favor of Central.

Scott Pickens scored two touchdowns in the second half as Central pulled away from the Chinks 35-14. Three completions by Don Dray to Mike Decker set up the final touchdown run by Brad Scortino. But it was too little, too late as the Chinks were defeated 35-20.

## Manual Field Goal Beats Chinks 10-7

A 36-yard field goal late in the third quarter allowed the Manual Rams to nip Pekin 10-7. With the score tied at seven each, Lonnie Seidel took advantage of the high winds that accompanied the constant downpour and kicked the ball 36 yards through the uprights to give Manual the lead.

The Rams drew first blood as Felix Lobdell ran 14 yards for the score on the first play of the second quarter. Pekin retaliated less than four minutes later when Brad Scortino sloshed 31 yards to knot the score at seven all.

The wet field accounted for 15 fumbles, nine by Manual and six by the Chinks. The ball changed hands 21 times limiting serious threats by both clubs. Don Dray completed one pass out of nine for 12 yards while the Rams stayed on the ground throughout the game.

## Late Score Gives Pekin 22-14 Triumph

The Pekin Chinks went for broke on a fourth and nine situation with only 35 seconds left in the game. The gamble payed off as sophomore Don Dray completed a 29 yard touchdown pass to junior Mike Decker that gave the Chinks a 22-14 victory over Bergan in a Mid-State Nine thriller.

In the first quarter, Brad Scortino broke loose for a 50-yard touchdown run to pull the Chinks within a point of Bergan 7-6. Randy Adkins scored on a 6 yard run by Brad Scortino and the two point conversion was successful to give the Chinks a 14-7 lead. The lead was short lived as Bill Nelson plunged over from a yard out. The extra point tied the score at 14-14. The 22 points scored by Pekin was the single game high for the season.

## Lions Nip Harriers

Cross Country Chinks were edged out by Central 26-30. Doug Sidell finished second while Tim Willmert finished third and John Friedrich finished sixth on a sunny October 14. Sidell's time was 14:55.

## Field Hockey Ties M.C.

With 35 seconds left in the game, Senior Tony Godby scored a goal for the Girls' Field Hockey team to tie Mason City 1-1. Mason City took an early lead with a first period goal. From then on it was a tight, defensive battle with no points being scored until the final minute.

## Richwoods Is Tops, Gridders All Agree

How does Pekin rate in the Mid-State Nine?

PCHS football team was polled to find out how players felt about the competition. Here are some of their comments:

Brad Scortino says, "The M-S 9 is a lot stronger and faster this year. I think we'll get second or third."

Mike Brown knows exactly how it will be, "It'll be Richwoods, Central, and Pekin; 1st, 2nd, and 3rd."

Ed Estes wasn't so sure. "I think Richwoods has it wrapped up. We'll be fighting to win second."

Sidelined Mike Sanders figures it this way, "I think it will be a tight race between us and Manual for 2nd. Richwoods has it wrapped up. We'll take Central at Homecoming."

Another Junior, John Thomas, was pretty sure about it. "I think Pekin will be 7 and 3 for the season. If we can get by Central, I don't think we'll lose for the rest of the year!"

Doug Anderson took it easy, "I think the M-S 9 is pretty close. It'll be either us or Central in second place."

John Hale said, "If Richwoods falls apart we'll be there to pick up the pieces."

"I enjoy working with young people," says Jimmie "Doc" Lee. Mr. Lee is 51 years old and has been trainer for Pekin's basketball and football teams for 36 years. He was a manager at Pekin when he was in high school, and became trainer after he graduated in 1937. As trainer, he takes care of the equipment and also handles some injuries.

"Most common injuries are sprained ankles and knee injuries, although with all the equipment the players wear, there shouldn't be any injuries at all," "Doc" says.

Lee acquired the nickname "Doc" while still a manager in 1937. He treated injuries with an electrical vibrating machine, and ever since has been called "Doc."

The best football teams he's trained include the ones in 1951, 1965, 1937, 1936, and 1948.

Some of the best football players he has worked with include Glen Weyrich (1957), Jim Herget (1951), Bob Trumpy (1941) and two brothers, Bobby and Johnny Watson; Bobby playing in 1951 and Johnny in 1957.

When asked why he enjoys training young men in football he replied, "It makes men out of them and will help them make sacrifices in later

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## 'Doc' Lee Recalls Greats



JIMMIE "DOC" LEE is shown with a portrait of his brother which he painted. Lee enjoys painting as a hobby.

life."

Sharing some little known facts about Pekin High football, "Doc" Lee reports: Pekin played their first game in 1893. They played Eureka College and beat them 46 to 0. The first games were played at Sapp's Race Track east of Pekin. Later the field was moved to Menheusen's Prairie, which is now West Campus. After this the games were moved to the baseball park owned by the Pekin Illinois-Missouri League. The park is located north of Amanda Street in an area formerly known as Soldwedel's pasture. The next place was James' Field where the games were played until the completion of Memorial Stadium in 1948.

## Films And Phones Used By Gridders

"46 Student Body on 26, 71 Cross-fire on 76, 38 Counter Criss Cross-bootleg Pass on 7."

If you accidentally pick up a telephone and hear this conversation don't worry about an invasion or a take over. You are listening to a hot line from the press box to side lines.

Area Mid-State Nine teams record each of three games on film. Then these films are traded among different Mid-State Nine teams. These films are then studied by coaches and players. From those studies, coaches decide what plays should be used against those teams.

About eight different plays are chosen and these are played over and over. Often the communications are between Coach Peterson in the press box and Coach Stoudt. Sometimes the play itself is started in the press box but always it originates in the press box. The play goes from the press box to the sidelines coach, to a substituting player, to the quarterback, and finally to the team. This process takes about 20 seconds. The team is allowed 25 seconds between plays. It is easy to see that each football play, is not a spur of the moment decision of the quarterback.

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