

Day of "mini-courses" planned for students

by Joe D'Iorio

On February 11, Seton Hall had its first day of mini-course seminars. This day was set aside to try to teach students some things that they might not have already learned and to introduce them to many new fields.

This seminar day, was first started on Long Island by Holy Family High School, and was a bit more extensive than ours. Their choices were quite numerous and instead of having just one day, they had a whole week of seminar sessions. Here at Seton Hall, Mr. Lee started our first day rather small and plans to extend it in the future.

The courses were taught by the faculty members, parents, and even by some students who have extra knowledge in particular fields.

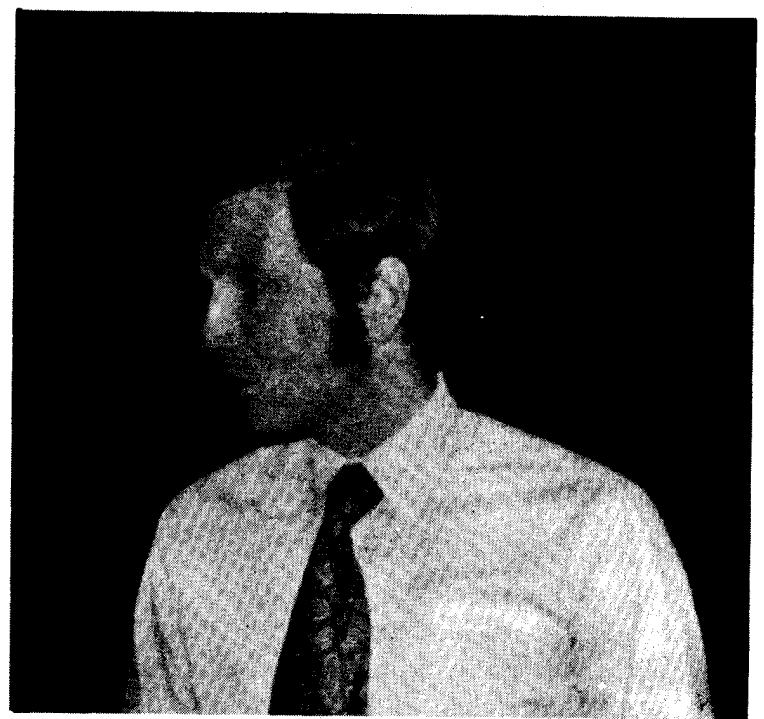
The students picked eight one-hour electives out of a group of forty-two topics. Many different courses were presented in a wide variety of fields so the students could choose a few electives that interested them.

Some of the courses included: Cooking, Sewing, Baking, Home Decorating, Grooming hints, and other topics which deal with basic survival in our modern-day world. Other courses were a bit more involved. Some of these were Philosophy, Psychology, Dylanology, Aviation, and even Yoga. There were even courses to be taken that involve subjects that are not given in many schools, such as Chess, Bridge, various card games and similar topics of this kind. The last group of subjects deals with technology, learning how to make things and doing your own repairs. Such courses are Woodworking, Ceramics, Mechanics, and basic car maintenance.

To see the amount of work that had been put into this — it's just phenomenal. Mr. Lee and some of the junior and senior Student Council members worked from three to five many days after school, setting up the courses, counting the students' choices, and finally doing the programming, so that everyone would be satisfied

and no course conflicts would be created.

At this time a special note of thanks should be given to Mr. Lee and all the Student Council members who were so instrumental in organizing this day.



MR. LEE, organizer of Seton's "mini-courses".

SMS sponsors annual science fair

by Jeff Kassner

This year the Seton Hall Science Fair, sponsored by S.M.S., will be held on March 15 and 16, a Wednesday and Thursday. Judging will take place Wednesday evening to be followed with an awards presentation Thursday afternoon.

Last year Mike Keller won the grand prize with Tom Link, Bill Schiebil, and Jeff Kassner runnersup. Both Mike and Jeff went on to win highest honors at the Long Island Science Congress held at Farmingdale last April and then represented Suffolk County at the New York State Science Congress at Schenectady in May.

Each year many students come to S.M.S. members inquiring about

the criteria for judging so, at this time, I would like to give a brief run down on this. The projects are rated on: (1) Concept, which encompasses creativity, timeliness, originality, and depth of understanding, for 30 points; (2) Method or clarity of the problem, plan and scientific procedure, for 30 points; (3) Interview, which is preparation, knowledge of principles and responsiveness to questions, this is worth 20 points; (4) Technique, which is worth 10 points, includes quality of data, records and workmanship, and; (5) Format, which also is worth 10 points. Format includes organization and attractiveness of appearance. This is a brief rundown of the judging.

Applications for the Science Fair can be obtained from any of the science teachers and should be returned to Tom Link as soon as possible. Chairman Tom Link is looking forward to a big turnout.

Council: all projects go

by Joan Grogan

The first Student Council meeting of 1972 brought with it the addition of new members — the freshmen representatives, elected earlier this year. These students now have the responsibility to voice the opinions of the freshmen

and to attempt to instill a sense of unity and purpose among the members of the class of 1975.

The successful completion of the Student Council sponsored "mini-course-seminar" day has been our main objective, to this point. Under the close supervision of our moderator, Mr. Lee, we compiled and attempted to correlate the student choices. We sincerely hope this program proved to be a stimulating and worthwhile experience for all involved.

Motivated by the thought that "it doesn't hurt to look at your motives and goals once in a while," the Student Council has decided to pursue revision of its constitution. As head of the committee, I can foresee only minor changes being brought about, especially in the areas of elections and classification of President and Vice-President. As yet, very few definite changes have been proposed, and there is much to be discussed and reviewed.

Attempting to put some of the money in the treasury to good use, we have established a scholarship (hopefully, an annual award) to be given to a particular senior to help towards college costs. This student will be chosen in the fairest possible way, judged on the basis of criteria decided upon by the Student Council, and confirmed, most likely, by outside, unbiased parties.

Once again, through the efforts of Student Council, the "Chapter IV" will return to play at Seton, in concert, on February 26. Finalization of plans for the concert and initial plans for the upcoming Sports Night are taking place.

As you can see, the Student Council is alive and well, and working for a happy and totally successful year for every student.

Gynecologist gives lecture to inform senior class

by Marguerite Ferry

As part of the senior religion courses this year, Dr. Milton Rosenberg lectured on sex education. The initial presentations took place on December 13, 1971 and January 14, 1972.

Dr. Rosenberg informed us about such topics as birth control, abortion, and venereal disease. He explained the different methods of birth control, and outlined the use and effectiveness of each. He also told us of the statistics on abortion, and the various methods of abortion. He briefly described the abortion laws as they vary from place to place. Finally, Dr. Rosenberg told us of the increase in the occurrence of V.D., which is assuming epidemic proportions in the United States today. He included in his presentation the two main forms of this disease, gonorrhea and syphilis, telling in detail of the warning symptoms and the systems of treatment for each.

Dr. Rosenberg is a gynecologist, employed at Brookhaven Hospital in East Patchogue. He is the head of the gynecology staff there and was the president of the Medical Society of Suffolk last year. He has travelled widely in the past and plans to go to Africa in the near future in order to do research. Dr. Rosenberg lives in Patchogue with his wife and two teenage daughters.

Dr. Rosenberg presented his topic factually and unemotionally. Many seniors were especially impressed with his non-moralistic attitude toward touchy contemporary problems. He made it clear that his main concern was for the physical as well as the mental health of people. His purpose in lecturing us was so that we would have some definite knowledge about birth control, abortion and V.D. Through his

work, he has come to realize that it is important for people living in today's society and facing these situations daily, to have a basic idea of the problems and solutions involved, so that they will be able to make intelligent decisions. The students appeared to agree with him on this, and gave him their serious and thoughtful attention.

At the end of Dr. Rosenberg's presentation, there was a question-and-answer period during which students could ask about any problems which were not covered or which they did not understand. Because of the interest shown during this time and after class, Dr. Rosenberg will return in March, and possibly twice more before June. He will expand upon the information he gave us the first time, and also speak on additional topics which have been requested by the students.

Campus Life

by Karyn McGoldrick

On January 7, at the free period, the juniors and seniors went to the auditorium to hear two representatives speak about an organization called "Campus Life." Their function is to bring back an understanding of school unity and plenty of good fun.

At this time they played a game called "reflexes", where the loser gets a chance to sit on an electrified seat. If you're wondering who got the shock, ask Mary Anne Derby or Paul Schoenig. Meetings are similar to this, and fun is the key word.

Last week Bill Seuffert and Steve Zelinski went to one of their meetings, and plans will be made to try to get a branch of "Campus Life" at Seton Hall.



SCIENCE FAIR CHAIRMAN TOM LINK with his award winning project of last year.

Guidance sets up plans for new techniques in counseling

by Debbie Petrillo

Our guidance department is off to a busy start for the new year. Sister Catherine Crimmins and Dr. Catherine Reid clued "Chimera" in to the various activities which have taken place, and the special project coming up.

In September, the seniors had a night of helpful counseling with college representatives. About 200 parents of freshmen attended a meeting on January 12, where they were informed of their children's performance on objective tests, trimester averages, and college transcript data. The parents of the juniors will have a Guidance Night in March, and the sophomores are now being counseled in all aspects.

Now, for the "special project" mentioned earlier. The faculty and students will select two soph-

omores and two juniors to participate in a peer group counseling program. This means that the students will learn how to help their fellow classmates in various areas of education through counseling. On February 23 and 24, these four students will join an experimental workshop session. There they will set up a peer counseling group within Seton Hall, and will spend a day with two professionals trained in group dynamics. The group will then meet on a regular basis during the school year to exchange ideas and evaluate the program. This experiment in counseling is a "first" for any high school on the island. Our guidance department is anxious to see its results, and feel that it will help the students relate better to each other and to the faculty.

How about it, Student council?

by Kenny Erb

As I was fumbling through the mail the other day, I dug up a letter from the Lazareth Home in Calcutta, India. In it I received a picture and case history of a 7-year old girl named Elizabeth Dass. Her Father had died a young man. He died from typhus. He was a street cleaner. Her mother was very ill and recovering from small-pox. When she was well, she worked at a match factory for 26 cents a day. She had two older sisters, Maria and Lorraine, but the mother didn't have to support them with her 26 cents because they had died of small-pox.

For \$12. a month anyone can support Elizabeth or a child in need just like her. I think this would be an excellent investment for the Student Council's treasury. \$12. a month isn't very much to support a needy child. There are thousands of children just like Elizabeth who are waiting for help. We can write to the Christian Children's Fund, Inc., Box 26511, Richmond, Virginia 23261, for more information. We can support a little boy or girl from India, Brazil, Mexico, Taiwan, or the Philippines. The money is to be sent to the Christian Children's Fund. Our sponsored child will send us a photo of himself or herself and also a letter with an English translation attached.

As students of Seton Hall I think it's about time we did something useful with our money. I'd like to see it be a school tradition. So how about it, Student Council? Could you turn away such a child, and still sleep at night?

The editors of Chimera would like to give Sister Anne Casey and her B period typing class a special thanks for their help.

Peace must come

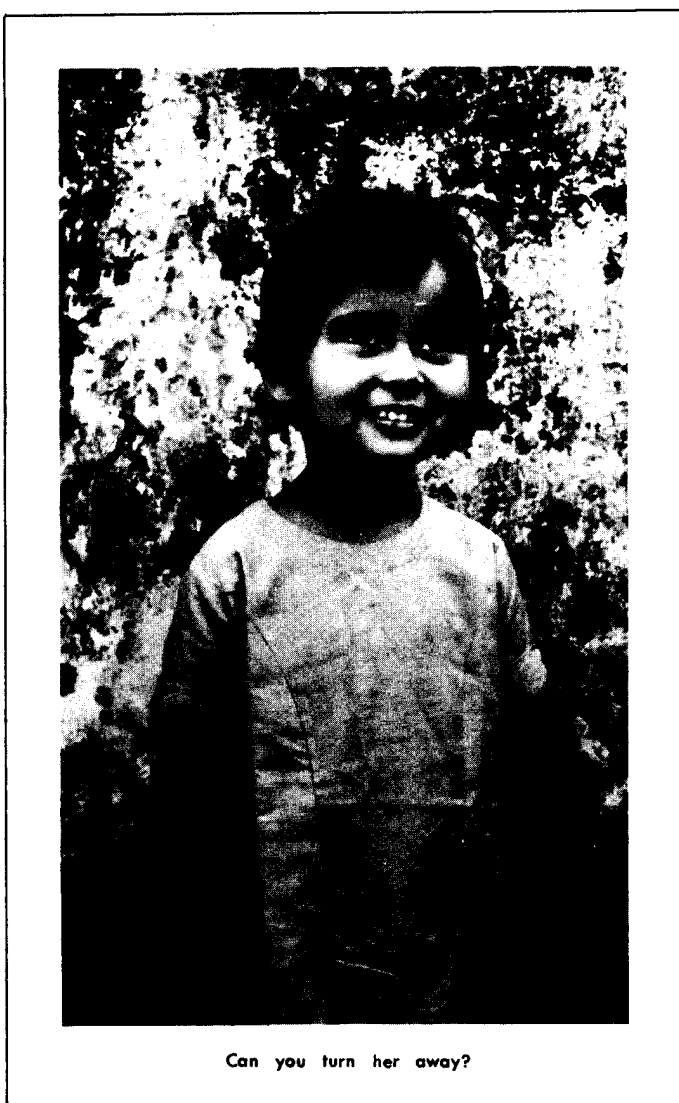
by Joe D'Iorio

As one reads a newspaper or listens to the news, he finds much hatred, despair and ignorance in the world. In all parts of the world there are wars, deaths, and much pain. There's a police action in Asia, wars in Egypt, and a little scuffle in Ireland where Catholics and Protestants are killing over discrimination, neither party allowing a little bend for the other. So they call themselves Christians over there?

The people of the world are tired of these foolish acts. "Good News!" "There were no casualties in Vietnam, but at the Paris Peace talks two delegates died of old age."

War and hatred must end. We have survived in the past but I doubt if we could survive in the future. World War I (the war to end all wars) should have been sufficient to teach us, but then came World War II, then the Korean War, now Vietnam, Egypt, and Pakistan. What's next? Can't man see the foolish and childish attitude of war?

God gave man brains to think with, not to shoot out and saturate the earth with His great gift. Many people pray for peace. God will help, but man must use his head for this act. Until all mankind realizes that war is not the means for peace, peace will never be achieved. If we could use our heads and not our hands then our state of affairs could be improved. If not, "The three men I admire most the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost caught the last train for the coast, the day the music died."



Can you turn her away?

'Freedom's just another word'

by Jim Filiano

I have been troubled lately. I was recently told "the amount of freedom one has is determined by the amount of money one has." Ignorant and impetuous, I rejected this statement immediately. But upon thinking more, I began to wonder...

Now it is usually customary for me to write rather directly and positively. This time however, it might be best just to raise the questions which I have been pondering: "If freedom is determined by money, is it right? and, "What can be done?"

The best lawyers, doctors, mechanics and teachers are the most expensive. Yes, "the laborer deserves his wages," but should the less affluent be limited in their rights, health, transportation, and education? Fortunately however, much has been done to stop this tendency. We have Medicare, libraries and free legal counsel, but the poor are still shackled.

The most perplexing problem, however, is how do we do something about it, personally? I don't know, and I haven't met anyone who does. But I want to ask you to think about it; to question the justification of a system in which man must fight for *wealth* to be free.

Again I say that I don't know, but should we let America be like that?

If this be individualism...

by Mike Donnelly

How many times have you said to yourself, "I would really like to do that, but I know what everyone would probably say"? If you find that this is a familiar line to you, do not be alarmed. In fact, it would be astonishing if there were as many as one percent of the student body who wouldn't find that quote to be familiar.

It is my feeling that this school is becoming too concerned about the reaction of a few cliques and is placing too little value on the purpose and possibly good results of any worthwhile idea. Some of you may argue with that and say, "But we are getting away from cliques and we're more individualistic than ever." First of all, I think that many of the students' definition of individuality is sadly warped. If you call getting wrecked every weekend, having a pot party in the senior boys' room before lunch, and stealing everything you can get your hands on part of this new "awareness" and "individuality", you need help.

All the students extend their deepest sympathy to Mary Ann Senese and Brenda Fitzgerald on the death of their mothers.

I am so sick of hearing that people who work hard on sports and other activities know nothing beyond the walls of this school and are just "unaware of what's happening." I think that these "happening" people are simply too lazy to be involved in school activities and sports, and therefore give the excuse that they are too "mature" and "concerned" about what's going on today to be involved in such "meaningless nonsense" as sports and clubs. If you say that this is false, then why have so many senior boys, who were badly needed by the basketball and track teams, declined from even joining the teams? This is just one example of the quickly spreading disease of "being cool!"

School spirit has become a dirty word. I would like to know the purpose of the twenty or so football players who walk into the basketball games and just stand by the out-of-bounds line looking rough, instead of sitting in the stands and cheering for the team.

I know that the majority of students don't fit this description, but they are too silent. It always seems that the undesirables of the school band together and make it appear as if they are the majority, when they are really only a very tiny (and useless) portion of the whole. It would be refreshing if, for once, the silent majority would put this harmful group in its proper place — in the background, instead of the foreground.

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Folk, rock and all that jazz!

by Jim Filiano

American man is striving for more order, caused by the emphasis on scientific arrangements in life. This attitude used excessively, can be destructive.

We have been setting up walls, to categorize particular styles in art, music and literature. This, unfortunately, can lead to the rejection of a "style" on the basis of any one experience. The listener can dislike "jazz", leaving with the attitude, "if you've heard one, you've heard 'em all!"

Wise men, however, have continually rejected generalizations. Such a man, presently struggling in the music world is David Amram. He detests categories and the fools who construct them. He is blind to the artificial differences between "types" of music, and composes freely. Recently released is his milestone "No More Walls!" on R.C.A. Victor VCS-7089, a double album, it explores everything, enlarges the nirvana and boldly defies the thieves of commercialized music

who prostitute their meager talents to seek in our money!

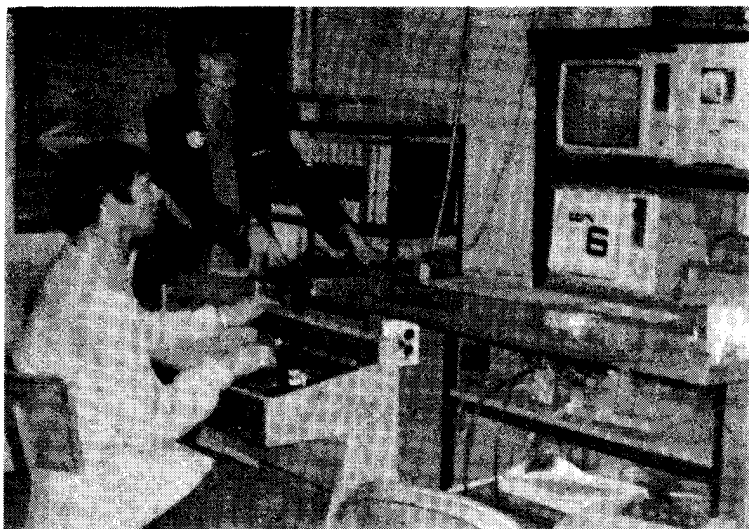
His "Symphonic" music is contrapuntal, energetic (possibly nervous) and influenced by men like Stravinsky, while "Autobiography for Strings" can scare the daylights out of you with its sudden blues chorus!

He experiments with "folk" music of North and South America, highly rhythmic jazz and Israeli musical techniques in an enigmatic blind of beauty, excitement, rhythm and melancholy.

Amram has abandoned all standards. He has stuck his neck out knowing that A.M. radio would not play his music. He is, instead, screaming in a sound proof room, kicking those walls, and fighting the money men, passionately telling us that music is too good to be stifled! It is too free, too important!

Why are fooled by trash, when music like Amram's, "Soft Machine's", "M.J.Q's", and John McLaughlin's is hidden?

And why do we wall it in?



MEMBERS OF THE A.V. CREW working in studio.

Speech and Debate Club proves its excellence

by Christine Johnson

The Speech and Debate Club now finds itself at the height of a very busy season with an even busier outlook for the upcoming weeks. Recent tournaments include those at Hendrick Hudson High School, Monticello, New York, and Chaminade High School. At these competitions, the members of the various speech teams have been holding their own against serious competition from many schools within and outside the state.

As for the debate teams, the Seton Hall novice, junior varsity, and varsity squads have proven themselves to be major competitors on the island. There are few, if any, Long Island debate teams who have not yet been defeated at one time by contestants from Seton Hall. Although not as successful up or out of state, Seton's debaters have made consistent progress in advancing an excellent record in these areas.

In regard to future events, Sister Anne Joyce, now has the

members of the Speech and Debate Club in serious preparation for the upcoming eliminations for state finals in both areas of competition. The club certainly hopes to be well represented at

these most important state finals held in Oneonta, New York during the month of April. It only remains to be seen if these weeks of concentrated practice and preparation are to pay off for both the speech and debate teams.

What's the buzz?

- All of the French classes of Seton Hall assembled in the auditorium Tuesday afternoon, January 11, to see a French assembly. The show was presented by Mr. Robert Lasker.

The assembly was about the experiences of a group of men and women, ages ranging from 17-27, in France. They did this because they wanted others who have never been to France to know what it is really like.

According to the group, the French are the most friendly people they have ever met. The assembly consisted of slides and movies, taken by members of the group, on France's culture,

music, politics and everyday life.

In order to pay for this assembly, which cost \$80, each French student brought in 50 cents. On the whole the students had an enjoyable afternoon.

After several delays, CCTV6 finally pulled itself together and was prepared to broadcast its first show of 1972. However, the equipment which had been sent out to be checked during the holidays was delayed in returning. The equipment had a faulty cable but the pieces were soon returned to the puzzleboard.

The final condition of the equipment fully compensated for those exasperating delays. The fickle video tape recorder is working better than ever before, but the boys know better than to trust it completely. Some new equipment has also been added to the studio. By using the new video console it is possible to have corner inserts, as seen with "it's coming" ads, and side and bottom cut-offs for names. The fading is also done by using the console. However, two people

are now needed for video, one to operate the console and one to focus and change pictures, titles, names and credits.

Not too far in the future the studio will move to its new location somewhere in the vicinity of the music room. There will be much more room, eliminating the need of crawling across the floor under the view of the camera to get an extension cord or something while on the air. The present studio is really just a cubby-hole where people trample

each other and trip over cables.

Work is now underway to train replacements for the seniors who will be leaving in June: Mike Keller, chief engineer; Tom Link, cameraman; Dom Passanesi, set designer. Since Bill Scheibel will be taking over chief engineer, a replacement is being trained for the audio section.

Because of the new equipment and soon-to-come spacious studio, the need for intense group work is necessary. CCTV6 is getting it all together.



Let's hear it for the second string?

Seton's indispensable club

by Laura Pedone

The Seton Hall Father's Club was started in 1969, by the fathers of the football players, to honor their sons' undefeated season. It was then, a group of interested fathers drew up a set of by-laws, which was accepted by the group, and was firmly supported by our former principal,

Sister Catherine Eileen. Then a slate of officers was nominated and voted on, they are: Mr. John Pedone - President, Mr. William

Shelbourne - Vice President, Mr. William Raedy - Treasurer, and Mr. Robert Deedy - Secretary.

The purpose of the Father's Club is to assist the school when asked by the principal, and not to interfere with the everyday functions of the school. Their object is to assemble as many interested and concerned parents as possible to participate in their social events, thereby bringing more and more parents together.

The Father's Club is divided into seven committees, a system whereby all the fathers are involved. They are: the nominating committee which nominates the entire slate of officers annually, the advisory committee which advises the club on all of its activities, the entertainment committee which is responsible for all affairs such as Italian Night, the scholarship committee which tries to find new scholarships open to Setonites, the sports committee which is responsible for sweater patches, awards dinners, etc., the publicity committee whose job it is to publicize the school's name, and finally the membership committee which tries to encourage new members to join.

Though still young, the Father's Club has already done a lot for the students and parents alike. Last year they sponsored not only Irish Night and the Annual Seton Awards Dinner, but also Seton's first family picnic, chaperones for the Senior trip, awards dinners for the baseball and football teams and sweater patches for the championship football, Indoor track, and baseball teams.

Already this year, the Father's Club has supplied sweater patches for the girls' undefeated hockey team. They sponsored a very successful Italian Night under the chairmanship of Mr. Arthur Fuccillo, and they hope for as great a success with Irish Night on March 4, under the chairmanship of Mr. Neil Murray. This

year in place of the old Awards Dinner, the Father's Club is sponsoring a spring cocktail party under the joint chairmanship of Mr. Joseph Russo and Dr. Roy Paladino.

The Father's Club also supplied printed programs at the football games and chaperones for all the home football and basketball games, as well as for all the dances.

In closing I would like to say that the membership of the club

is progressively growing and it warmly invites all to join. Their next meeting will be Wednesday, February 16, at 8:30 in the school.

Wild horses?

by Concetta Butera

The Riding Club, which started its winter season January 12, has aroused some interest among the students of Seton Hall. The members of the club are freshmen Valerie Biscardi, Kathy Gaydos, Sharon Patak, and Susan Prunka, and sophomores Karen Jason and Katie Summers. These girls ride once a week for an hour at Equitation Lodge which is owned by Linda Bateman. Judy Thagersen, their teacher, has started them with the basics of riding which consists of walk, trot, and canter. However, as time goes on they will learn the finer points of horsemanship including jumping. If any of them meet with the requirements to participate in a private show, they will be able to do so on February 27.

At Equitation Lodge, there are three rings. They include two outdoor ones and an indoor arena, which is heated and used during the winter season. There are also three barns in which the horses are stabled. Private horses are also boarded and cared for there.

During the summer, Equitation Lodge becomes a day camp. Besides riding, which is the main activity, art and swimming are also taught. A show team represents Equitation Lodge at all the meets. Among the shows are the fox hunts, a three day spring show and a summer meet in which the show team competes against the New York Military Academy.

Many people come to Equitation Lodge from all over Long Island for fun and relaxation.

Derive and Conquer-Secant and you will find

by Marguerite Ferry

Each day at E period, twenty-six seniors struggle with such complicated Math problems as derivatives, integrals, areas under a curve, and polar graphs. This is Seton's Calculus class, which is taught by Sister Ellen Stephens.

The number of students in this year's class is the largest ever since the class was initiated five years ago. The course follows the syllabus for the Advanced Placement Exam of the College Entrance Examination Board, and this exam may be written in May by competent students.

The purpose of the course is to introduce students to some of the principals of higher math-

ematics, and to the kinds of problems they will be faced with in college. Many of Sister Ellen's former pupils have told her that the course was very helpful to them with their work in college. Also, those students who have a satisfactory score on the Advance Placement exam can usually receive three college credits for the course.

The work of the would-be mathematicians can be seen decorating Room 127 in the senior wing. It is recommended that those underclassmen who wish to take Calculus have a good understanding of mathematics and a willingness to work hard.

- On February 18, 1972, the annual Junior Ring Ceremony will be held at Seton Hall. As a tradition in Seton Hall, this event will be arranged, run, and financed by the Sophomores.

A Mass will be offered during the day, followed by a dinner held at 6:30 P.M. The dinner will be served by the Sophomores and at the present time, exactly what will be served is supposedly not known to the Juniors. The theme, another unknown, centers around the menu of the meal.

Dancing will begin at 8:00 P.M. and conclude at 11:00 P.M. with music provided by the Savage Grace. All the Juniors are invited to bring a date to this affair.

As this ceremony approaches, the Sophomores hope that when it's over it will be an affair the Juniors will really remember.

- At Seton on February 26, there will be a concert by the Chapter IV, sponsored by the Student Council. Tickets will be \$1.00 per person, and must be bought in advance. The concert will last from 8:00 to approximately 12:00 P.M.

Chapter IV has played locally in such places as Barn and Beanery, Whale's College Lounge, and St. Lawrence and St. Mary's dances. They have often played at Seton, and several of the group's members graduated from here three years ago.



SISTER ELLEN'S CALCULUS CLASS in action.

Varsity basketball team — "Do or Die?"

by Stephen Lessing

The Eagles, who were flying high in the season, seem to be wounded after six successive losses. Seton Hall fans anticipated the oncoming season with the arrival of new head coach Rich Jackson. Coach Jackson brought with him fresh ideas, new concepts, and, most important, a history of being a winner.

The Eagles opened at home against Mattituck. In a surprisingly tough game, the Eagles showed good movement on offense along with a tough team defense. The entire starting five played a strong game. John Willig slashed the nets for twenty points, while Dan Ryan played a great all around game.

The Blue Eagles then whipped Southold by eleven, led by Kevin O'Brien's 22. The team shaped up well and were ready to begin their league campaign. The club traveled to Uniondale, and in a well-played game, the Deacons prevailed 55 - 52. Regan of St. Pius had an exceptional game and hit 2 clutch foul shots to win it.

Next the Warriors of Wyandanch visited the Blue and it proved to be the highlight of the season up to date. In a tense, exciting game, the Eagles, led by Kevin O'Brien's 31 points, battled the leapers from Wyandanch to the end, when John Willig hit both ends of a one and one to clinch it.

Moving into the Deer Park Christmas Tournament, the Eagles had proven to be a well disciplined unselfish, exciting club. And the opening game against Bellport

exemplified all of these aspects. The lead changed hands back and forth throughout the game. In the final minute of play, Bellport took the lead for good, when a last second jumper rimmed the basket and dropped off. Ryan had possibly the best game of his career as he did it all, scoring 24 points while grabbing numerous rebounds and passing deftly. John Willig pumped in 18 with a fine display of outside shooting. Ballhawk Dan Lilly had another outstanding defensive game.

The next night in the consolation game, Jericho slipped by the Eagles 52 - 50. In a poorly played game, the Eagles highlight was John Willig, who fired in 21, while showing a variety of shots. Willig was named to the Tournament All-Stars.

After two heartbreaking defeats, the Blue did not play well and were shot down by Mike Spatola and the Baptist Boys. St. Pascal's came in and jumped off to a 12 - 1 lead and were never headed. Willig, O'Brien, and Lucas had good games, but it was not good enough to hold off Middleton, Bierra, and the rest of the boys. Next came the Cadets and all indications were of a tough, hard-played game. In the biggest letdown of the season, the Eagles lost to a young, inspired LaSalle club, which never should have happened. Benec of LaSalle and O'Brien of Seton Hall were named the outstanding players of the game, and received the Howard Nugent Memorial Award.

On Super Sunday, the Eagles fought St. Dominics to the final

seconds when Bogy Bobandish calmly canned a 14-foot jump to assure a Dom victory. Missed foul shots lost it for Seton.

So the Eagles are 3 - 7, a familiar pattern for the last four years. With eight games remaining there is still an outside chance to make the play-offs. Coach Jackson says a lack of "mental toughness" has cost him charges in the waning moments of close games. The players have been exposed to three distinctly different coaches in three years. They are now striving to become a cohesive unit.

John Willig has been the consistent man in the attack, averaging over 16 points a game, while playing tenacious defense. Kevin O'Brien has been averaging over 15 points a game and has shown moments of brilliance while his rebounding has not been overwhelming. Dan Ryan has changed his style from scorer to playmaker, and on occasion he has done it all. In essence he is the catalyst of the club. Dan Lilly is a fine guard and usually draws the toughest defensive assignment. Pat O'Connell and Roger Smith, who split the forward position, have been inconsistent due to lack of experience. In recent games Craig Lucas has come on to spark the squad. Rounding out the club are Manny Spano, Hector Ortiz, Nick Fucillo, Manny Mendoza and Kevin O'Leary.

The Eagles are wounded; they can lay down and die or fight for survival.



COACH JACKSON doing his thing.

Track team is running high

by Gary Graybosch

The 1971 - 72 Indoor Track team, under the leadership of Coach Frank Klasek and his assistant, Bill Fullam, along with co-captains Jim Filiano and Luke Powell has gotten itself off to a winning record in the still young season. As of this writing, the team is 3 - 1 with the only loss going to St. Mary's of Manhasset.

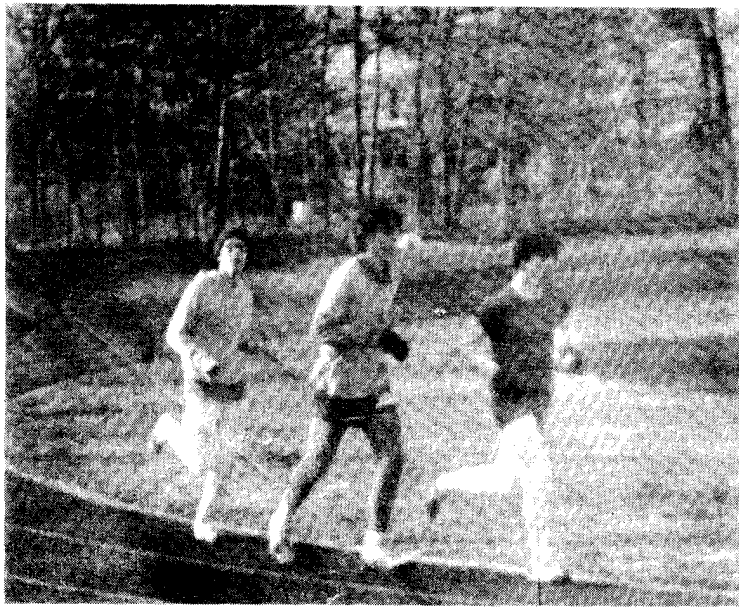
The season began in December with a triangular meet involving Seton, William Floyd and Mercy. Seton was able to defeat both these teams on a combination of good individual performances and overall team ability. Everyone on the team gave their best efforts, but some performers stood out above the rest. These include Luke Powell and Mike Donnelly in the mile and two-mile, Charlie Bailey in the 1000, Mike Wasner in the high jump, and Rich DiRienzo and Artie Bua in the shot put.

There was a little wait before the team's next triangular meet, but there was still some stiff competition offered in the big invitational meets. During the holidays the team competed in the Seton

Hall Christmas Relays and again they came through with some outstanding performances. Most noteworthy was the Sprint Medley Relay team of Jim Filiano, Ken Sylvester, Xavier Lucena and Luke Powell, who were just barely edged out for third place and medals. The team also competed in the New York University meet in the Armory in New York City, and also at the N.S.C.H.S.A.A. league relays at Holy Family.

The next triangular meet took place in Manhasset and involved Seton, St. Mary's and Port Washington. Here came Seton's first loss, but the team did manage to beat out a tough Port squad for a 4 point victory. There were few really great performances, such as Bill Seuffert in the 280 Rob Graybosch in the 440, and Luke Powell again in the 1 and 2 miles, but the fact that many runners had to run two events gave Seton its victory. These runners also include Eric Rotzinger, Gary Graybosch, Mike Donnelly, Dan Diver, and Ken Sylvester.

The season is still young and the toughest teams, such as Sayville, Brentwood, and St. Anthony are still to come, so all the members of the team join me in asking for your strong support in the future for they are running for themselves and for you.



LOYAL MEMBERS OF THE TRACK TEAM working out in the cold.

Promising year for Eaglettes

by Maureen Raedy

The girls' Varsity team began their season blowing over Mercy 49 - 9. Their consistent shooting overpowered Mercy's, while their tight zone defense and control of the boards held them to a mere one digit tally. This league game victory started the girls on the up hill road.

The team's next game was a scrimmage against Lindenhurst, ending with a confident 52 - 21 victory. Again their active offense took charge of the game while their defense showed them who was boss by controlling the backboards and effectively using the press. This game served as a workout and preparation for their next contest against Suffolk Community College. Testing their team skills and showing them exactly where they stand in terms of improvement were the game's important goals.

The core of the team consists of a threesome of juniors. Gerry Kruckel and Cathy Dower make up a strong backcourt with Maureen Raedy working in the pivot and under the boards. With an additional sparkle in sophs Patrice Jennings, Pat Haefeli and senior Mary Dernbach as forwards, the team should show great potential in the remaining games of the season. Other contributing members of the team are juniors Judy Dempsey, Mary Boegel and Pat Gartung, sophomore Pat Blake, and senior Donna O'Leary.

Junior squad led by mid-season additions

by Tom Esposito

After consecutive losses to Mattituck and Southold, the Seton Hall Junior Eagles sensed an elongated season. The team lacked a leader who could guide them into the playoffs. Finally the squad's total direction was remapped with the addition of Greg Gatta, a sharp-shooting, smart guard, and Mike Murphy, a tough, rebounding forward. Around these two players, Coach Fucci could weave a team with post-season hopes. Both players provided off court and on court leadership to the remainder of the squad. With the addition of Gatta and Murphy the team record shaped up to three victories and a single defeat. The five starting players are Greg Gatta, Brian O'Mara, Tad Waldbauer, Matt Faye, and Danny McCarry. The other section of the team consists of Mike Murphy, Ricky Cestra, Kevin Long, Kevin Macabee, Jim Mele, John Mackey, Paul Ferry, Ted Hirsch, and Mike Bonkoski.

In the Pius game, Rick Cestra scored a decisive layup in the final seconds to give Seton Hall a one point squeaker. Cestra has been coming off the bench and providing the team with defensive sparkle magically turned into points. Seton Hall made its next opponent, St. Pascal, wish they

had stayed home. The game was closely fought until the Eagles widened the victory margin to twenty five points. Greg Gatta's crisp shooting was outstanding during this game. The rebounding of Mike Murphy and Brian O'Mara put the game out of reach. The LaSalle game showed the maturing of the team's play. Matt Faye, Tad Waldbauer, and Danny McCarry have now given Seton Hall the rebounding strength they lacked at the origin of the campaign. All three boys compensate for their deficit of height and weight by sheer desire. The Eagles beat LaSalle by seven points. The game showed no individual brightness, but a combined team effort which payed off in victory. The St. Dominic's game was heart-breaking as the Eagles lost by two points.

Two players who captured the crowd's hearts have been Jim Mele and Mike Bonkoski. When these two players come off the bench, the sophomore crowd goes wild. Kevin Long shows some basketball talents, but only time will tell if he matures. Kevin MacCabee and Ted Hirsch provide an occasional scoring threat. Paul Ferry and John Mackey round out the squad; both players have fine jump shots.

The school is awaiting a respectable record from the JV team. Only a point loss to St. Agnes is predicted in the playoff finals.

New club formed for Seton's ski enthusiasts

by Mike Purce

The Edelweiss Ski Club was born this year and an avid and surprising response has resulted. Under the leadership of Mrs. Kruckel, who is responsible for both the club and its name (no one else wanted to get blamed for thinking of it), the turn out for the club and trips has been outstanding.

One benefit of the ski club is that a member of the club has a much better chance of going on a ski trip if there is an overload of participants. Also, on each ski trip a free lift-ticket is raffled off among the members. This is a great help financially because a lift ticket runs between eight and nine dollars and the chances of winning are very good. The most rewarding aspect of the ski club is

the overnight ski trip planned, which will be limited only to ski club members.

Concerning the ski trips, the first was to Catamount Ski Area in upstate New York. I took part in the trip, and even though conditions were rather icy, everyone seemed to enjoy themselves immensely. The next ski trip was to Scotch Valley, New York, which took place on the 22nd of January. Scotch Valley was particularly nice for skiing because it does not usually get too crowded. All of these trips have been expertly planned and it should be added that Mrs. Kruckel has done a wonderful job in making sure that everyone has a good time. Special thanks should also be given to Mr. Lee for chaperoning these trips.

