

THE SHADES OF SUMMER

The Ramsey Ninth Grade Center without any trees on the front lawn? No! if Ramsey students can help it. And in the first part of November, a group of students planted a number of trees on the front lawn.

Those students who actually helped plant the trees were: Jo Ann Pierson, Connie Johnson, Pat Wilson, Joe Totall and Sheri Brown.

In charge of the project was Mr. P. Pudas, Social Studies teacher. A reporter from the "Minneapolis Star" was present and took a picture which appeared in a later edition of the "Star."

The trees planted to replace the elms were locusts and Norway maples.

FAST FOOD LINE

By Nicole Darcy

Many students go through the fast food line everyday but as it stands with many people stealing items from it, many people think it may or should be shut down.

But, according to Mr. P. Pudas, the line won't be shut down, but certain items are going to be omitted from the line. Have you noticed all the ice cream and the Suzy Q's are gone? They are. And if the school keeps losing money, the lunch room staff will continue to take things off the fast food line.

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MAGAZINE SALE A SUCCESS

The Ramsey magazine sale was a great success, according to Mr. D. Schwichtenberg, Principal. It raised \$10,000 of which \$3000 is Ramsey's to keep.

The enthusiasm of the students was "fantastic" said Mr. Schwichtenberg. "This year's sale raised three times as much as the sales in previous years. It is a compliment to the young people."

USE OF THE MONEY

With this amount of money, the school is looking into the uses of this amount. The Student Senate suggested that some of the money be used for replacing dead elm trees. Other suggested uses for the money have been to spend it for busses on Interim Day (if there is one) and school supplies.

Top salespeople could win 8 track tape players or CB radio receivers. The two leading classes had lunch at Farrells as their prize for their work.

The two top salespeople were Karl Solberg with \$292 and Sue Kennedy with \$243. The top two first hour classes were Ms. J. Brown's 302 with \$1444 and Ms. Strom/Sundin's 210/109 with \$993.

Former Ramsey students to receive scholarships

Six former Ramsey students, now in the 10th grade, this year received Early Identification Incentive Scholarships.

The students are: Tim Asp, Ronald Booker, Kevin Lind, Jacquelyn Rempson, Thomas Schull and Sue Ellen Thomas.

The students, selected on the basis of academic achievement and potential success, will receive one year's free tuition and books at the University of Minnesota.

Christmas Concert -
Topic for Debate

Some people believe that it violates the Constitution to sing Christmas music in choirs. I know of no one in choir or Madrigals who objects, and anyone who does may simply refuse to sing. Why shouldn't we sing for people who enjoy hearing their holiday favorites. Such music is a part of the heritage of many Americans.

Another topic for discussion is more specific. Should a foreign language class include a unit on Christmas in that country? Why not? Many of our traditions come from other countries, Germany, for example. Again, the student who doesn't wish to participate in, or study these traditions should be willing to be exposed to the culture.

Neither of these situations, in my opinion, constitute the establishment of religion or prohibit the free exercise thereof.

By Joel Waldfogel

SKIING***** ANYONE?

The snow season is here again. The Ski Club has begun. Cost of the skiing will be \$5.50 per person collected ahead of time each week at the school. The money (only correct change) is brought to Room 200 on Tuesday mornings.

Skiing at Afton Alps (down-hill only) will be each Thursday, unless the temperature is below zero. All students, experienced skiers or not, are invited to come. For \$5 a person can get one beginning lesson (\$2) and rental of skis, boots and poles. This is paid to Afton when a student rents equipment or signs for lessons.

In charge of the Ski Club this year are Ms. C. Harayda, Ms. K. Harvey and Mr. D. Willette.

By Amy Swenson

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Letters to Editor

The "Ramsey Record" would appreciate your comments on the editorials in the paper or on other important subjects. Letters to the Editor should be signed and brought to Ms. H. Klanderud in Room 111.

I believe that there should be absolutely no religion in the schools for these reasons:

1. Not all people celebrate certain holidays and the celebration of those holidays is often offensive to those who do not.
2. All teachers have undergone extensive sensitivity training (training to make them sensitive to all students).
3. It is against school guidelines to use religion in the schools.
4. Furthermore, it is in direct violation of the First Amendment which says:

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." This applies to lower forms of government as well as Congress.

It seems as if some teachers have forgotten their lessons by being insensitive to certain religious groups.

By Karna Eastlund

GYMNASTS WELCOME!

For all you gymnasts who weren't able to sign up for Gymnastics, first hour, the gym is open every Monday, Wednesday and Friday after school from 3 to 4 p.m.

There is a tramp, mini tramp, balance beam, plus rings and mats available.

By Amy Swenson

NEW BOOKS

SOMETIME

Survey

THE PIT N' POT GROWERS BOOK
Jack Kramer - Everything
you wanted to know about
plants and seeds (pits)
and how to grow them.

THE COMPLETE BOOK OF CHEER-
LEADING - Tells all, and
shows what to do and how
to do it in many easy steps.
Herkimer-Hollander.

ESP, Thomas Aylesworth -
What is good about it? What
is bad about it? What about
it? Facts and Stories.

ZIA, Scott O'dell - The hard-
ships in a life without a
mother can be trying for a
young Indian girl. Then
meeting her brother, they
go off in a small boat to-
gether. She hopes to find
a way of her two worlds
coming together.

by JP

I'll Ask You Any Day I Like
Including Today.

Any Time Too.

No Way You Can Stop Me.

If I Want to I Will.

I might.

But I might not.

It all depends on you.

You're all that matters.

If there wasn't any you
I might not be asking.

Think of it!

HOW I GOT OVAH, Carolyn
Rodgers - This book con-
tains light, moving, and
serious poems.

A limited number of
students responded to the
following survey question.
In the future, other sur-
veys will be made.

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT PUBLIC
SCHOOLS SHOULD HAVE ANY
PROGRAMS RELATED TO CER-
TAIN HOLIDAYS?

Shannon Link: No, It's
stupid to have programs
and they are a waste of
time.

Chris Suter: I don't care.
It really doesn't matter
that much to me.

Jenny Olesen: No, they
should have different kinds
of programs for all religion
and holidays if they have
any at all.

Tammie Heath: No. Not
unless they have a program
for all religions and all
kids can participate.

Joel Waldfogel: No. Not
all people celebrate
certain holidays and the
celebration of these holi-
days may be offensive to
those who do not.

Gretchen Lee: Yes, be-
cause it is kind of nice
to have programs on some-
thing to do with the holi-
days before vacation.

If you have any suggestions
for other surveys, please
write them down and give
to Ms. Klanderud, Room 111.

PARENTS IN SCHOOL

Parents have been in-
vited to school on January
24 to meet with Mr. D.
Schwichtenberg in the li-
brary.

HORSES . . .

YOUR CAREER IN THE FIELD OF HORSES

by Kristen Lindeman

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A Groom? Jockey? Trainer?

These are just some of the
careers which have to do
with horses. To be a joc-
key the only qualifications
that you need to have are:
be 16 years of age or older,
be about 5 feet or less,
weigh under 120 pounds.
Also, the most important
thing is that you will care
for a horse. If you meet
these requirements, you
would do well to look into
this field. On the other
hand, some of the other
jobs have other require-
ments.

To become a veterinarian
you must go to college
for a long time and be very
adept in certain areas of
medicine and also in the
field of mathematics.

If you are interested
in a program for horse
training, the technical
college at Crookston offers
a course in light horse
management. There are 11
different courses that
will teach you everything
that you will need to
know. If you are interested
in horses, their breeding,
care etc., go down to the
Career Center and see Ms.
J. Exline for the informa-
tion on these careers, or
on practically any other
career you can think of.

The Career Center
has information on careers
that range from able seaman
to feather feeler, to x-
ray technician and many,
many more.

Interim Day

Interim Day this year has been set for February 3. The direction of the day is under the Student Senate, with Mr. P. Pudas.

Students will sign for whole or half day activities and will have no classes that day.

Some of the activities planned for this year are: Snow tubing, skiing, flying, roller skating, horseback riding and cross country skiing.

Other activities will include tours to places around the Twin Cities, swimming and arts and crafts.

In previous years, there has been a feature movie shown at the school in the morning and afternoon. Also there have been activities in the gyms.

YEARBOOK NEEDS

STUDENT NAMES

FOR SPORTS PICTURES

The 1976-1977 Ramsey Yearbook will be produced during the winter trimester by a special yearbook class.

In the past years, the yearbook has included pictures of students who participate in sports activities at various high schools.

If you participate in hockey, skiing, cross-country running, or other sports at the high school level, please give your name, name of sport and high school to Ms. H. Klanderud in Room 111 so that you can be notified when these pictures are taken for the yearbook.

CAREER EXPLORATION at ramsey

Career exploration will be available to Ramsey students through a series of programs set up for them.

Speakers from various fields will be at Ramsey to give presentations about their jobs. Sign-up was through the Social Studies Department.

Legal and Law Enforcement careers were discussed on Tuesday, January 11. Two sessions were held for these discussions.

Speakers at these meetings were Ms. Marie

Wilson, Legal Secretary, Mr. Tom Skalla, Intelligence Division, Minneapolis Police Department, Mr. Curt Workman, Federal Bureau of Narcotics, Special Agent, and members of the Minneapolis Police Department who work with the Canine division.

Other careers to be discussed are Skilled Trades on January 19, Medical Careers on January 27, Communication/Transportation Careers on February 2, and Miscellaneous on February 10.

BANDS AND CHOIRS

TO PRESENT CONCERTS

The Ramsey Choir and Madrigal Singers will present a winter concert at Folwell Junior High School on February 24. Singers from both schools will combine in a massed choir.

The Ramsey Band and State Band will present a concert on March 3. This will be presented at Ramsey.

WECEP program

WECEP, the working and education program is working fine.

About 25 students spend half of their day in school taking math, English and social studies in a seminar known as WECEP seminar. The rest of the day they work at regular jobs for which they get paid.

Supervising the WECEP program are Ms. Z. Nelson and Mr. T. Griffiths.

CHESS CLUB

WELCOMES ALL STUDENTS

If you don't know anything about chess, or if you are an advanced student player, you are welcome to the Chess Club meetings.

The meetings are held each Wednesday after school in Room 310 until about 4:15 p.m. The meetings are directed by Mr. R. Bronniche.

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