

Rocky River Hi-Tide



TWELVE MEMBERS of the executive and editorial staffs of the '63 Driftwood assemblé.

Driftwood Staff Assembles '63 Edition

Work is underway for the production of the 1963 Driftwood, a magazine representing literary and artistic works of RRHS students. It was started in 1953.

Advisers are Mrs. JoAnn Rice, Mr. George Kemp and Mr. Charles Shelton. The following students were chosen for the Driftwood staff: Co-editors, Nancy Humel, Sally Eakin; art editor, Wilma Kubach; business manager, John Gosselink, and assistant business manager, Clark Smyth.

The editorial staff will include Debbie Benn, Janet Sheppard, Nancy Honhorst, Mimi Jontzen, Judy Neiswander, Sue Patterson, Sue Sanders, and Barb Wigton.

Betsy Unger, Dianne Bradford, Lynn Anderson, Melinda

Mann, Linda Lolos, Werner will comprise the Staff. Art staffers are Sally B. and Gene Merre.

The business staff will be advertising the sale, layout and distribution. The editorial staff will be reading and selecting material and assembling the magazine. The printing will be done by the RRHS staff. The first meeting is Feb. 5 when the co-editors will explain sales methods and examine material.

All students are eligible to submit creative writing through their English teacher or to the editorial staff.

In the past two years art work has been incorporated to illustrate and complement the writing. The 1963 Driftwood will

Juniors to Take College Boards; Several Testing Dates Offered

This spring juniors will be given an opportunity to take the College Entrance Examination Board. The dates for testing are March 2, 1963; May 18, 1963; and Aug. 14, 1963.

February 16 is the last day that guaranteed registrations can be made for the March 3 test. Any applications made between today and then must be accompanied by a penalty of \$2.50 for registering late.

The main part of the test, which costs \$5, is the three-hour Scholastic Aptitude Test; it tests verbal and mathematical aptitudes. The one hour achievement test, which costs \$8, may be taken in specific fields like English, Advanced mathematics, and chemistry. A student may also take the writing sample, a one hour essay writing exercise on a topic announced at the time of testing.

The tests required for admission vary with each college. Some colleges require only the S.A.T. while others require both the S.A.T. and one or more achievement tests and the writing sample. College catalogs list the required tests.

Superior students applying to Eastern colleges and other

highly-ranked universities and those intending to apply for "early decision" should take the College Boards in their junior year. Others may wish to take the tests for experience.

RIVER CURRENTS

- Feb. 7 - Thespian Induction Assembly
- Feb. 8 - Riverlet Pictures
- Feb. 9 - Band Concert at RRHS
- Feb. 20 - National Honor Society Assembly
- Feb. 22 - Washington's Birthday (NO SCHOOL)
- Feb. 23 - Browns vs. Faculty Game

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costs 25 cents. Mr. Sheppard says to "think in terms of a gift to a worthy charity." Sale drive will be March 25-29.

Cast Selected; Practice Begins

The Senior Class Play, directed by Miss Edith White, will be presented March 8 and 9 in the RRHS auditorium.

The play, "The Dozen" is a comedy about a tender account of the Gump family - the 12 children, the patient mother, played by Lesley Woodruff, and the strict father, played by Jim Manning, who considers himself an efficiency expert, much to the distress of the rest of the family.

The three oldest Gilbreth children are portrayed by Chuck Baumgartner, Helen Hodgson, and Debbie Murray. Other cast members and understudies include Bruce Beard, Bob Brown, John Dawson, Larry Gilbert, John Glansbeek, Ron Hanson, Sue Harris, Barb Jacobus, Bob Lemon, Judy Miller, Janet Sheppard, Clark Smyth, Sharon Spitzer, and Pam Workman.

Manning Represents RRHS On National Science Tour

Jim Manning, RRHS senior, accompanied by Mr. Arthur Bridenbaugh of the Chemistry Department, visited the Bell Laboratories in New Jersey on January 20 and 21, as guests of the Bell Telephone Co. Jim was one of two students from Ohio.

The choice was based on outstanding achievement in the field of science and scholastic records. The trip was designed to encourage interest in science and to assist teachers and students with up-to-date scientific information.

Jim and Mr. Bridenbaugh left by jet for New York on Sunday morning from Cleveland Hopkins Airport. After a short sight-seeing trip in New York City, they arrived in Murray Hill, where the laboratories are located.

They were officially welcomed and escorted on a brief tour of the laboratories. A talk entitled "The Difference Between Science and Engineering" was given. Later in the evening the teachers assembled for informal discussions while the students became acquainted through a party.

The following day, Jim visited the laboratories, viewing the technicians on their respective jobs. Jim joined the others at luncheon with Dr. W. H. Brattain, research physicist in the Physical Research Department, and co-winner of the 1956 Nobel Prize in Physics.

The first lecture, Super Conductivity, was given by Mr. Chas. F. Hempstead. The second lecture, The Traveling Wave Tube Development, was presented by Dr. Max G. Bodmer, who led the group that helped develop Telstar, the communications satellite. After a lab visit in the afternoon, Mr. F. J. Witt gave the concluding lecture, Satellite Communications.

An avid enthusiast in the field of science, Jim has been recognized several times. Last spring he was presented with the Dedication Year Honor Award for outstanding work in Chemistry.

Jim was nominated to the Fourth National conference on the atom for his work in physics. He has also received a Certificate for Achievement from the West Shore Science Program.



JIM MANNING

River Juniors Plan for NMSQT

The National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test will be given to juniors who have registered to take it, Sat., Mar. 9. The three-hour test will be given at Rocky River High School.

The testing program is conducted by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, an independent, non-profit organization established in 1955. Merit Scholarships are sponsored by business and industrial firms, foundations, professional groups, unions, individuals, and by the NMSC itself.

The NMSC exam consists of five separate tests: English usage, mathematics usage, social studies reading, natural sciences reading, and word usage.

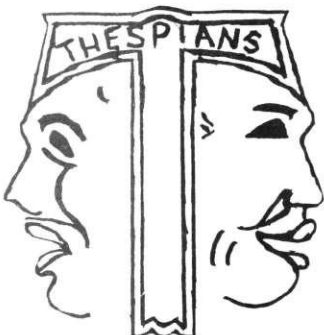
Approximately 13,000 top-scoring students are named semifinalists. In each state the number of semifinalists is slightly less than one per cent of the graduating high school seniors in that state. A second group, totaling about 30,000 students receive letters of commendation.

The selection of a merit scholar is made by combining test scores and human judgment. Committee members evaluate test scores, evidence of creativity, high school grades, qualities of leadership, and community citizenship in making their decision.

The amount of financial assistance a student receives depends on individual need. The minimum stipend is usually \$100 per year. The maximum stipend is \$500 per year, or \$6,000 for four years.

Thespians Accept New Members

- SALLY BRYDEN
- CHRIS CELEBREZZE
- JOHN DAWSON
- CAROL HAAS
- MARY K. HENDERSON
- HELEN HODGSON
- RICK HOLLEY
- BARBARA HUNT
- MIMI JONTZEN
- KEITH LERCH



- PAUL LUTZ
- JIM McCREARY
- JUDY MILLER
- BARBARA PEATE
- CONNIE POTTS
- GERRY SCHEROCMAN
- TIM SCHWEDE
- JANET SHEPPARD
- SHARON SPITZER
- LESLEY WOODRUFF

Crisis Brings Courage; American Ideals Made

We shall celebrate the birthday of one of the greatest presidents of our country, Tues., Feb. 12. Many of Abraham Lincoln's ideals and beliefs are as significant today as they were a century ago.

Mr. Lincoln, our sixteenth president, is an excellent example of self-determination and self-expression. He typifies the American ideal of a just, self-taught champion of the underprivileged. He possessed the rare gift of being able to express himself in words understandable by all people. This quality is especially desirable during these times when misunderstanding could too easily lead to world-wide destruction.

Lincoln's Gettysburg Address is one of the most famous speeches of modern times. His command of the English language and his ability to use it has rarely been equaled.

The Emancipation Proclamation issued by Lincoln has earned him the title of "The Great Emancipator." The greatest tragedy is that he died before he could introduce his program for the liberation of the slaves. Our country is still trying to make emancipation work. In spite of the guarantees for equality under the Constitution, the Negro, set free a century ago, is still denied many basic rights and privileges.

Abraham Lincoln was most influential during our nation's greatest crisis - the War Between the States. Now in the face of constant nuclear threat and derisive Communist propaganda we must take a good look at ourselves and at the position our country holds as a major world power. We must resolve "That this nation, under God, . . . will not perish from the earth."

Office Sets Up Detour For Stampeding Students

During the normal school day, an average of 802 frustrated students in various stages of excitement and anxiety erupt in a heister-skelter through the main office. By the time these terrorous hordes have cleared the premises the secretaries' bells ringing incessantly in their ears, are on the verge of lapse.

Some students want lunch money, which should be brought from home. If forgotten, it can be more easily borrowed from friends than from the office. Some want the exact change for telephone or bus fare. Others, weary from the battle against ignorance, request aspirins, tranquilizers, and other cure-alls. Especially endeared are those individuals who use the office as their personal answering service. It would be much easier for all concerned if plans were made and settled upon before students come to school.

Judgment is reserved for those who use the office as their post office. They place their letters in the shelf for outgoing mail after sweetly asking for stamps - regular and airmail, depending upon the emergency. All lost and found articles should be brought to the office, but inquiries about these should be taken to that department. The lost and found across from the cafeteria is available to all students during their lunch periods.

The main office is a public reception center which should be run in a business-like manner. After all, it is not the student service center.

I Cover the Riverfront

HONORS GRADES. . . have been attained by Joyce Letson, '62; Bonnie Smith, '59; Joan Lindow, '62; Pamela Anderson, '62; and William Koenig, '59 on the Fall Quarter Honor Roll at Ohio State U.

Congratulations To New Thespians

The Hi-Tide extends its congratulations to all the new Thespians for their worthy achievement. To attain the 150 points necessary to be a Thespian required great effort and cooperation which brought both entertainment and service to RRHS and the community. Miss Beck and Miss White should also be praised for the great amount of time and leadership they have given to this important organization.

CAROLYN SCHLUETER. . . was installed Sat., Jan. 26, as Worthy Advisor of the local Rainbow chapter. Other River girls were also installed into lower posts.

VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONS. . . are the members of John Pugsley's gym team: John Zahnaw, John Moses, Dennis Rosenow, and Cliff Black.

BASKETBALL DAY. . . was Sat. Jan. 26, as basketball games were played the entire day at RRHS. The Saturday Morning Basketball League played in the morning until River's seventh, eighth, and ninth grade interscholastic teams competed with their respective North Olmsted team. That night River's JV and Varsity teams played Brooklyn.



HEARTY RIVER skiers are (Front, L to R) Bill McSweeney, Nancy Davis, Margie Seelbach, Pat Osorio; (Rear, L to R) Nancy Fahy, Judy Anderson, and Betsy Gibson,

Skiers and Mercury Tumble on Slopes

Are Americans getting soft? No, is the emphatic answer scores of Riverites can give as they take to the ski slopes every chance possible. These hardy souls brave the winter cold to slide down the slopes.

Gary Oatey, freshman, remembers the cold - 23° and 40 miles per hour wind at Lake Placid during Christmas. "I was so busy to reach the bottom I fell. By the time I got to the bottom I was frozen."

Mr. Dash Skies

Mr. Dash was also a skier when, on the way home from the Laurentians in Canada, in -20° weather, the heater broke down in the M. G. He had left because it was too cold in the first place!

"It was -40° and the wind was blowing at 60 miles per hour," reminisced Nancy Fahy, junior. "We had to thaw out at the top. The wind was so strong that when I hit some ice the wind blew me part of the way back up the hill. But it was fun." Well, Nancy has invented a new style of skiing.

Many Ski in New York

The weekend of Jan. 25-27 saw several Riverites at Holiday Valley, Ellicottville, New York. Among them was Pat Osorio who went up with the Seelbachs.

"Everytime Pat turned, he fell," remembered Margie. "Once he just missed a tree."

Conditions were rather cold and Margie also remembered that Pat, anxious to get off the chairlift, was almost ready to get off when it stopped. He had to sit in the cold.

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Nancy Davis went up to Holiday Valley with the McSweeneys. Car trouble delayed a 6 a.m. departure until noon. By the time they reached Holiday Valley the slopes were closing. Nancy recounted the tale of the girl who was on the chairlift and forgot to get off. When asked what happened next she replied, "Oh, they stopped the lift and got her off."

Mrs. Hunt Met Husband

Mrs. Beverly Hunt tells about the bus trip to Cadillac, Mich. The bus got lost and didn't reach the slopes until 5 a.m. The skiing started at 9 a.m., four short hours later. Mrs. Hunt added that she met her husband on a ski trip. Well, girls, head for the slopes!

When asked about her skiing Judy Anderson, who was at Lake Placid, remembered losing a ski. She also managed to get lost in a snowbank, but then who doesn't? Judy will also tell, if prodded enough, about her first trip on a chairlift. It seems she fell off. After that, she quickly learned the proper way to hold on.

Barbie Geckler couldn't remember any specific incident but added, "Of course, there are always people falling."

Nancy Fahy recalled her first race. "I wasn't scared until I reached the bottom, then my knees got weak."

Nancy summed up the feeling most skiers have about their sport. "There is nothing, absolutely nothing like it."

Snow Falls As Camera Clicks On Typical Riverlet Day

Sleet, snow, drizzle, and freezing temperatures are predicted for Fri., Feb. 8. How can the weather bureau predict so far in advance? Feb. 8 is Riverlet Picture Day and this is not the only unusual event that will occur.

No mirror space will go unused as girls try to primp sunken and drooping hairstyles. After so patiently teasing that fluffy bang, it will hang stubbornly in the eyes of its wearer, making her forehead look like one large eyebrow.

Stockholders in the phone company are elated as boys burn up the wires requesting forgotten ties and white shirts.

Some unfortunates, after wearing their flown-in shirts and ties all day, find that they were not scheduled for pictures. A solemn oath is taken never again to wear a white shirt.

Comb slashes are scars frequently sported by a person who was standing behind a long haired beauty getting that last hair in place.

Since Riverlet Picture Day always has record breaking snowstorms or tropical showers, dry cleaners always experience business booms the following day. Cars go splashing their merry way and photogenic pedestrians have to have footwork faster than a Tahitan fire dancer to dodge the flying slush and mud.

Now let us have a moment of silence for the Riverlet staff - Ellen Stromberg, Peg Kazarian, Peg Wiesenberger, Larry Gilbert, Sally Eakin, Dianne Peters, Sharon Spitzer, Alan Carlson, Nancy Honhorst, Debby Murray, Pat Rollent - who have to organize the different clubs for pictures.

Pity that staff member who places a protesting French club member into the Iyaku line or has to bear up under the wrath of a senior photographed in a freshman homeroom picture.

Eugene Spiegel of Halle Studio must tire of saying over and over "Watch the birdie!" and "Grin and bear it!"

Yasuko, Sabine Express Thanks for River Tapes

Last year tapes were sent to Sabine Osthoff and Yasuko Onishi recording sounds common to RRHS. Among the things recorded were the band, teachers, choir and Mr. Arthur Bennett. This year the AFS Committee, under the chairmanship of sophomore Pate Pfizenmayer and senior Alan Greenleaf are preparing tapes for Nita de la Vega and Pat Osorio.

The following are highlights of Yasuko's and Sabine's letters sent to Mr. Thomas Duke, RRHS adviser.

Yasuko says...

"I've heard that you have a lot of snow in Cleveland now. I bet the world in white is so beautiful again like last year. I wish I could go back and see it. (But it's too cold!)"

"The subjects that I am tak-

ing this year are math, English, Chinese Classics, Japanese, Japanese Classics, chemistry, social studies, physics, cooking, health, and gym. They keep me busy all day long. I haven't gone to bed one night before midnight.

"The school life here is also quiet - just study, study and has no fun at all. I can't understand what they would say if some River students should visit my school and see us in dark uniforms trying to understand Japanese classics written some 1000 years ago.

"Well, I have had many chances to talk about my experiences of last year. Everyone liked and was thrilled to see my colored slides of River. It is really true that Japanese people know about the States much more than the American people know about Japan.



SABINE and YASUKO ascend airplane to leave for home.

"When I first came home last August, I was very surprised to see that Japan had been more Americanized than the year before. It is really surprising! Night and day I can hear the American popular songs by Connie Francis, Bobby Vinton, Pat Boone, Rick Nelson, Paul Anka... and so on. I feel as if I were listening to WHK(!?)"

"It was really wonderful to receive the tape - the teachers of English language were very glad to hear it, but seemed to have a hard time understanding what the tape said. So I wrote the words down for them. The students of my class were very glad to hear American voices. I am sure that it helped them to understand my American school and about the AFS a lot. Thank you very much, Mr. Duke.

"Well, we were all very concerned about the international situation - missiles of Cuba, Berlin, Communist China, and India and so forth. Since I lived in the States and am familiar with American people, I can't be indifferent to whatever the States does."

And from Sabine...

"Time flies by. It seems as if our bus trip had been a couple weeks ago. I think so probably because I am so awfully busy with school and everything involved in it.

"It was a big change again to get used to our school system. I noticed that it took me much longer than after I came to Rocky River, that proves that other people's friendly and understandable attitude does help tremendously."

"In the meantime I was able to convince certain teachers and other people that I didn't stay in the U.S. to meet cowboys and Indians, to drive around in big cars, to have fun, etc., but to learn through talking and meeting all kinds of people and participating in American everyday life.

"The reason why I write is first to thank you for sending me the tape! Secondly I would like to ask you to tell the person who sent me the yearbook how happy I am to have it, and I thank (him) her very much.

Sincerely, Sabine."

Vocalists Sing With Velvetones; Band Members Play in Contest

The first months of 1963 will prove busy ones for the music department at Rocky River High School. Rehearsals, concerts, and competition are foreseen in the futures of many hardworking musicians.

New in the vocal department is a group of thirty students who sing with the Velvetones. The group sings standard popular music, both old favorites and new releases.

The selections now being readied for performance are Side by Side, Exactly Like You, Say It With Music, George M. Cohen Medley, Everything's Coming Up Roses, and Maria. Several of these songs will be used when they make their debut for a city-wide PTA meeting held at the high school Tues., Feb. 26.

Singing is not the only music in demand, however. The band will soon be beginning a busy concert season. Joint rehearsals are to be held with the Westlake band for the concert taking place Sat., Feb. 9, at 8 o'clock at RRHS. Conductors are Mr. Thomas Hill and Mr. Harlan Thomas.

Songs will be the Toccata for Band, Rush Street Tarantella, Egmont, Einzugs, and Under Paris Skies. The purpose of combining high school bands is to dispel rivalry. Following this dual concert will be a dance

for the members of both bands.

Competition, too, is now a prominent interest in the band room. January 19, when the North Eastern Ohio District Orchestra played, four Riverites joined them: Paul Berns, percussion; Judy Husband, trumpet; Rebecca Gilette, violin; and Mary Morris, viola.

Ten ninth grade musicians will get their opportunity Feb. 23, at the Junior High Contest in Strongsville. Fourteen cities and 34 schools will take part in this contest. Mr. Thomas says, "It is a wonderful opportunity for the student who wants to do extra work to prove himself in competition with players from other schools. It also develops musicianship to receive worthwhile comments from outstanding judges. The musical growth of students in contests is often very marked."

February 16, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., RRHS will be host to various suburban schools participating in a contest. Over 1,000 students will participate including 90 River entries. John Phillips is the student chairman and Miss Calderwood is in charge of arranging instruments. Approximately 50 River bandmen will help as clerks and messengers.

One-Act Plays Bring Laughs

Neophytes and Thespians presented two one-act comedies, How to Propose and Girls Must Talk, at their meeting Tues., Jan. 29.

How to Propose explained how man won his girl in each period of history from the cave man to the modern lecturer who presented the program. Rick Holley handled the job of student director.

The cast consisted of Chris Celebrezze, Debbie Dye, Peg Fitzgerald, Holly Portz, Paul Lutz, Linda Peate, Jim McCreary, Chris Kohler, Greg Barnett, Barb Hunt, Mary Kay Henderson, Paul Berns, and John Dawson.

The entire story of Girls Must Talk took place in a store window in which two window dressers and the four dummies they prepared for the next day carry on a lively conversation with each other.

The all-feminine cast included Sally Eakin, Barb Peate, Lesley Woodruff, Helen Hodgson, Sharon Spitzer, and Janet Sheppard.

Freshmen Plan Party

The Freshman Class will have its class party Sat., Feb. 16 from 8:30 to 11:15. Organized by the Freshman Council and advised by Mr. Donald Frail, this will be their only class activity of the year.

Entertainment will be divided into three groups: volleyball, competitive games, and dancing contests. Those attending will rotate from group to group. The theme has not yet been decided. Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria.

River Sends Group to Model UN

Members of RRHS's Model UN, under the supervision of Mr. David Taylor, will this year represent three countries: Byelorussia, Chile, and Spain.

Delegation chairmen include Dianne Peters and Ellen Stromberg for Byelorussia and Kathy Crommelin and Bill Mathers for Spain. Pat Osorio, one of RRHS's AFS exchange students, will have the unique opportunity of heading the delegation for his native country Chile.

of representation for Communist China, review of the UN Charter, disarmament, and the Congo. A meeting on parliamentary procedure will be held Sat., Feb. 16, at the Sheraton Cleveland Hotel. The General Assembly will convene in March at the Lakewood Civic Auditorium.

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Oberlin To Battle Improving Pirates in Crucial Contest

With a down-to-the-wire race for the Southwestern Conference championship almost a certainty, the varsity basketball team is preparing for a challenging stretch drive.

This Friday the Oberlin Indians, who held the league lead for the first half of the season, will invade River to engage in a battle which could prove fatal to the title hopes of the loser.

Oberlin has been getting scoring performances of over 20 points from Larry Donaldson since he has recovered from an injury. River's 43-41 defeat at Oberlin, Dec. 21, is the Pirates' only loss on the road.

River, playing four of its last five games at home, has had little success here. In the first six home tilts, the Pirates' sole victory was a 67-42 shellacking of Bay, the squad they meet Feb. 15. On the opponents' courts, the Pirates have done exceptionally well, winning seven out of eight contests.

Westlake, which gained first place by taking seven straight conference games, was finally jolted by Olmsted Falls, 60-59, last Tuesday. Phil Obenauer, Westlake center, who had been the league's leading scorer, was injured the weekend before the contest and has been lost to the Demons for the remainder of the season. He suffered a broken wrist in a freak car-garage accident.

Pirates Trip Medina

The Pirates moved into a third-place tie with Bay by beating host Medina, 52-47, Fri., Jan. 18.

Frosh Improve Record, Win Three in Row

The freshman basketball team, coached by Mr. Ernest Kuehls, has extended its record to six wins and three losses by defeating North Olmsted twice and Lakewood once.

In a make-up game, Fri., Jan. 18, the frosh beat North Olmsted, 36-27. High scorers were Greg Allebach, with 11 points, and Jack Lee, with 10.

The freshmen again defeated North Olmsted, 39-20, Sat., Jan. 26, at River. Leaders in scoring were Bob Brooks, with 13 points, Mike Gee with 11, and Allebach with 6.

At Lakewood Thur., Jan. 24, the cagers defeated their opponents 39-31. Bob Brooks, Rupe Beckstett, and Mike Gee got 9, 8, and 7 points, respectively.

River sported a balanced offense to nullify the performances of Ken Lehman and Wade Boyle, who made 15 and 14 points, respectively. For the Pirates, Don Miller and Joel Skala scored 10 points each, Guy Cartwright 9, and Bob Cross, 8.

The Pirates led at the half, 21-17, and at the end of three stanzas, 32-31, but Medina was ahead temporarily three times in the second half, 31-29, with one minute remaining in the third period, and 39-38 and 41-40, midway through the final session.

River Wins in Overtime

The Avon Lake Shoremen rallied strongly and forced River into overtime before losing to the visiting Pirates, 59-56, Sat., Jan. 19.

Skala was the game's high scorer with 19 points as he converted 11 of 12 free throw attempts. Miller and Cartwright both scored 12 points, and Cross chipped in 10. Paul Hoxie paced the Shoremen with 15 markers.

The Pirates built up a 20-12 lead by the close of the first quarter and held a 30-24 half-time advantage.

With 8:30 left in the fourth session and the Pirates on top, 46-39, Avon Lake began to press and took the lead for a minute and 20 seconds. River

JV's Even Season Record at 7-7 With Three Wins, Two Defeats

After a long streak of away games, the River JV's came home Jan. 26 to play Brooklyn. In their most recent five games, the junior Bucs have won 3 and lost 2. They beat Medina, Fairview, and Brooklyn, while losing to Avon Lake and North Olmsted. This brings their season percentage to .500.

River traveled to Medina, Fri., Jan. 18, and beat the host club, 38-34. High scorers for River were Jim Laveglia with 11 points, Al Cashin with 8, and Craig Smith with 7. A notable performance scorewise for Medina was Dick Cromwell's 18 points.

Shooting for another victory, the Pirates played Avon Lake on their floor, but lost, 49-40, Jan. 19. Leading the Buc scoring were Scott Gilchrist with 13 points, and Cashin, Smith, and Art Collins, each with 6 points. Dave Johnson headed Avon Lake with 18 points.

Next River tackled Fairview, there, Jan. 22, and won, 50-47. Accounting for River scoring

committed a number of turnovers and could score only on free throws before regulation time ended in a 54-54 tie.

Fairview Downed

River climbed into undisputed third place at the expense of last-place Fairview, 59-43, Tues., Jan. 22.

For the Pirates, Cartwright scored 17 points, Cross 14, and Chuck Napier 12. Dave Cassel put through 25 points for the host Warriors, who had to be close to the basket to tally.

Twelve seconds before the end of the see-saw first period, Cross put River ahead, 13-11. A twenty-point second quarter gave the Pirates a 33-20 half-time lead.

After three periods, River's margin was sliced to 9 points, 41-32, but 16 points in the first half of the fourth stanza, climaxed by four straight driving lay-ups in a little over a minute, iced the victory.

Eagles Clipped

The Pirates moved up another notch in the conference standings by smothering North Olmsted there, 76-54, Fri., Jan. 25.

Skala and Miller, who paced the Pirates with 22 and 15 points, respectively, also did an excellent rebounding job. Jim Yezbak was high scorer for the Eagles with 15 points.

were Cashin with 15 points, Warren Whitney with 10, and Laveglia with 8 points. Fairview's scoring was headed by the outstanding performance of Dick Stuewe with 26 points.

River ended its current road trip by traveling to North Olmsted, where they were downed by the junior Eagles, 52-42, Jan. 25. Gilchrist led the Pirates with 11 points, followed by Cashin with 9.

Finally coming home again, the JV's played a very good defensive game, beating the invading Brooklyn JV's 41-14. The outstanding aspect of this contest is that the Hurricanes only made one field goal, which came late in the fourth quarter. Pirate high score men were Cashin with 14 points, and Laveglia with 8.

River rolled to the victory after racking up a 29-6 lead in the first quarter with Skala accounting for 12 of the markers. The Eagles surged back in the second period but could only cut River's halftime margin to 16 points, 42-26.

Brooklyn Victorious

Playing their fifth game in nine days, the Pirates returned to the home court and had their four-game winning streak compiled on the road snapped in a non-league encounter with Brooklyn, 60-58, Sat., Jan. 26.

Cross topped River with 16 points, followed by Miller with 11 and Skala with 10. For the

Hurricanes, Ray Laskowski, 6-4 center, poured through 32 points, 19 in the first half. He was injured when River defeated Brooklyn, 56-43, Nov. 21.

The Pirates never held the lead for the first time this season. The quarter scores in favor of Brooklyn were 22-14, 35-27, and 53-47.

Down 56-47 in the last period, River made 8 straight points to come within 1 point with 2:30 left. In the final ten seconds, River attempted several shots, but all were unsuccessful, the score remaining 60-58.

How the Contenders Finish

	River	Westlake	Oberlin	Bay
Feb. 8	Oberlin	at Medina	at River	N. Olm.
Feb. 12				at O.Falls
Feb. 15	at Bay	Fairview	N. Olm.	River
Feb. 21	O. Falls			
Feb. 22		at N.Olm.	at Fairview	at Medina

SWC Tourney Set for Medina; Bay Favored To Capture Title

The River grapplers, holding a five win, five loss record before meeting Strongsville, are getting ready for the conference tournament at Medina Feb. 9. Coach Clyde Simpson commented that present match results indicate anyone could win, but admits that Bay does have an exceptional team.

Mr. Simpson believes that River should take at least third place or better. Greg Ware, who has pinned three opponents in his last four meets, has a good chance of participating in the state tournament. Besides Ware, the conference tournament lineup will probably include John Rudy (103), Gary Carlisle (112), Ed Badstuber (120), Cliff Obrock (127), Jim Talmage (133), Jim Steffien (137), Randy Smith (145), Jeff Stark (154), Bob Clements (165), and either Dave Kergaard or Bill Tuck at 185.

Recent wins have been against North Ridgeville (24-13), Jan. 16, and West High (27-13), Jan. 25. The matmen were overpowered by Brecksville 32-9, Jan. 18.

Basketball Standings

Through Jan. 31

Team	W	L	Pts.	Opp.
Westlake	7	3	550	484
RIVER	6	4	519	458
Oberlin	6	4	491	457
Bay	5	4	467	507
O. Falls	4	5	446	434
N. Olmsted	4	6	520	569
Medina	3	6	428	466
Fairview	3	6	415	461

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