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Rigby Returns to Star In Annual Gymnastics Show

Cathy Rigby, star of the Long Beach SCATS gymnastics club and hailed as America's greatest female gymnast will highlight the Fifth Annual Gymnastics Exhibition to be held in the Boy's Gym on February 10.

Nineteen year old Cathy recently added a win at a meet between the American All Star team and the Japanese Women's Olympic Team to her list of outstanding accomplishments. Besides being the first American female gymnast to be considered a candidate for an Olympic gold medal, and the first one ever to win an international medal, Cathy has won the Outstanding Achievement

Award, World Cup Trophy, and a silver medal in the World Games held in Yugoslavia last summer. She is also the holder of ten international titles.

Sharing the spotlight with Cathy at the exhibition will be Robert Dill, European champion on the gym wheel. Outstanding gymnasts from San Fernando Valley State College, USC, Pasadena City College, Cal State Fullerton, Golden West College, LA Valley College, and Monroe High 1971 LA City Team Champs will also be present.

Tickets are currently on sale at the Student Store for \$2.00.

Splashers Ready For Season

by Jeff Arden

With ten returning veterans from the Varsity Squad, the Monroe Swim team will definitely be in contention for the City Crown.

The splashers are expected by many to surpass their mark from last year, when they took second place to Birmingham in the league and fifth in the City Playoff competition.

This year, the Diving Team will surely be a threatening one. Coach Sherman mentioned that "We have one of the finest divers in Southern California with us this year; Todd Muckler."

Muckler will also be swimming Varsity Free Style and Breast Stroke and is surely a vital asset to the splashers.

Among returning veterans for the Varsity squad are Gary Netkey, Brent Hunter, Rich Gullixson, Jeff Dederick, and Dave Silver, who will attempt to stop the tough Granada and Birmingham squads.

Commenting on this year's team,

Nuys High Schools table tennis club is attempting to establish intramural table tennis competition in the Los Angeles City School District.

The group is asking students in the LA School District to form groups and contact the club through a school sponsor.

Junior Activities Planned

"Every first and third Thursday of the month there will be a junior class activity held," stated Kerry Silvey, junior class president.

In March there will be a BBQ at lunch in the agriculture area. The price will be about 65 cents.

Among scheduled events are a trip to Disneyland and a talent show.

Racks Guarded By Students

There are four volunteer students watching the bike racks and car lots each period, every day during the school week in a new program begun February 1. The student volunteers receive five credits for the job.

The reason for having this security according to Mr. Larry Foster, Boy's Vice-Principal, is that, "There have been 20 or more bicycles stolen this year, and this is for the protection of the student's property. Many students are aware of the problem, so they decided to do something about it. The responsible students have taken action against the irresponsible students." The program will go on for the rest of the semester and hopefully there will be more interested students next year too, Mr. Foster added.

Vikettes Pick New Officers

Girls League will be holding an open membership meeting Thursday at lunch in F1.

President Karen Kuhn is planning an active semester for girls who wish to become involved in school and community activities.

Among the many activities will be a sucker sale, a welfare project, and a fashion show which will be held at school during Girls Week.

Girls League officers urge students to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Girls League Vice-President is Debbie Rubin and their sponsor is Miss Linda Miller.

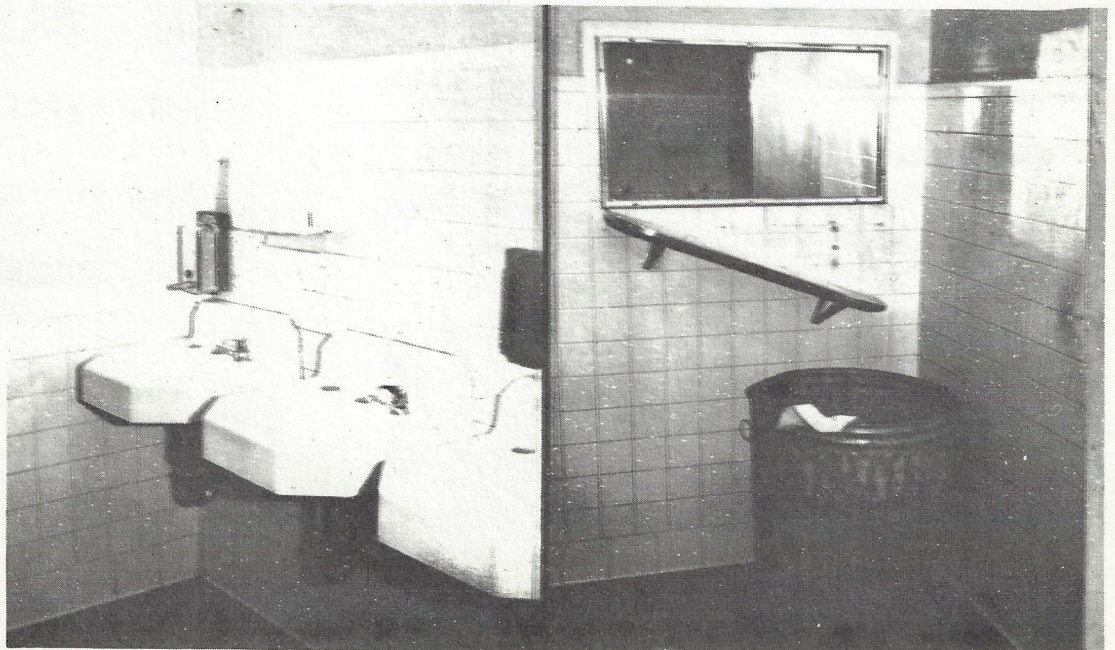
Knowledge Bowl Successful Against Granada on Friday

The James Monroe High Knowledge Bowl team took undisputed first place in the West Valley League last Friday by defeating last year's first place team, Granada High.

Monroe took an early lead on the fast hand of Charles Garcia, shutting out Granada for 45 points before they posted their first score. Granada then rallied and surpassed Monroe by half-time to take a 235 to 175 lead. In the second half, Monroe fought an uphill battle to take the victory, 400 to 375.

Granada's team was spotlighted by Caroline Lee, who gained the perfect SAT Score, and Jeff Auerbach, who earned the majority of their points. Top honors for the Monroe team were held by Charles Garcia, with 115 points, and Steve Burke, with 100. Other contributing players were Scott Hemphill with 63% and David Rosenthal and Howard Schnee with 40% each.

The next meet for the now 6-0 team is against Reseda during the week of February 14.



CONTRAST - E-hall lavatories opened this week to provide clean facilities for students. If they remain undamaged, the experiment will be expanded.



SOUND-OFF

Womlib Called Silly

Why must one sex keep trying to establish its superiority over the other? These articles of Women's Lib are either for one or the other group. This is ridiculous when both sides know they couldn't get along without the other.

Where did Mike Ives get the idea that men have ruled the earth since the beginning of time? If he means as leaders, then what about Helen of Troy, Jean of Ark, Cleopatra, and many others who have been prominent in history?

Then again, if he means the whole earth, there hasn't been just one person in control of it ever.

I think the things that Women's Lib should strive for are equal pay for equal jobs. If a man and a woman are standing side by side doing the same job, why should the man get more money?

I also want to know at what job women don't work as hard as men. Doesn't Mike think a woman teacher works as hard as a man?

The difference between man and woman is like the difference be-

tween individuals. They may be different but one is just as good as the other.

Kim McCollum

SOUND-OFF

Sex Battle Has Undertones Of Struggle Between Races

I am both amused and distressed by the continuous argument over the superiority of the sexes. The battle of the superiority of one sex over the other reeks of the endless discussions of the superiority of the Caucasians over the Negroes. It strikes me as being an inane battle between people who have nothing better to do.

Is it not enough that the two sexes are different and can't exist without each other. What would be accomplished if one sex were "proven" to be superior? To argue that a male's greater strength is inherently of more importance than a female's longer life span, or the reverse, is like debating the superiority of the apple over the orange. It is true that women have been discriminated against in the past and in the present. On the other hand, they have been given advantages not allowed to men. I think we would be better off to emphasize our similarities rather than out differences.

Peace.

Don Wood

SOUND-OFF

Dibene Supports Cops

I want to express my feelings about police officers who patrol our communities. First of all, what is a policeman? Many people think that these officers who go out and patrol our streets and public parks, who give you and me a traffic ticket for going 10 mph over the speed limit, are nothing but wound - up "robots." They are programmed to go out and do their job without making a single mistake. Once he puts that uniform on, he is branded by people. Policemen have emotions too. They are not programmed with IBM cards either.

They are human, just as much as you or me. They have their problems, they have wives and children, and a house to make payments on. Not only do they worry about yours or any of my problems, they have to be able to solve them promptly. It seems that your problems are more complicated.

But then you come back and say, "Well, what about me? I was pulled over yesterday and a 'cop' really hassled me!" If you co-operate with him he may not be so hard on you. Just think! Before he stopped you he could have been hassled by someone at a neighbor's dispute, a gun battle in which his partner is seriously injured, or even the efforts of a policeman trying to save the life of a child and all his efforts fail and he sees a once breathing child breathless, no sign of movement as it lays in his arms. He is not going to be very sociable. There are many, many good policemen in every division. I myself know a few policemen and they are really great guys, too. But I also know some bad ones as well. Their disposition towards young people is far from

good. It's really something that the Police Department and its officers are put down so much because of a few officers. It's like many parents and officers feel that "long-hairs" are nothing but "pot heads" and trouble makers. Not all of them are. It just takes one or two people to ruin any organization's image.

So next time you get pulled over, don't give a cop a hard time just for a speeding ticket. If you think he's really hassling you for nothing, take his badge number and his division and get some action taken.

Just remember! He is human also!

Bob Dibene

Religions Class Success

Jeff Arden

Taught by Mr. Robert Livingston and Mrs. Natlie Taksar, Monroe's first semester Comparative Religion classes have been overwhelming successes.

The course covers many of the world's religions and philosophies including Hinduism, Buddhism, Zen, Judaism, Mormonism, Christianity, Freud and Jung.

Many guest speakers of different faiths have come to present their religions. Those included are Hare Krishnas, Jehovahs Witness, Buddhists, Mormons and Christians. Each one has presented an outstanding presentation of their belief.

It is a semester course and the text used is Huston Smith's Religions of Man along with the Portable World Bible, which includes the Hindu, Buddhist and other scriptures.

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