

Dance Class Prepares For Upcoming Show

The Dance Production class and Miss Kaye Wagner have been hard at work preparing for Thursday and Friday's performance of the Dance Production Show.

Preparations for the show began early in December and progressed to where the girls were spending two and three nights a week in February and March rehearsing.

Working on any type of performance involves a lot of hard work, and the Dance Production Show is no exception. There's a lot of frustration and devotion involved.

The problems that have to be solved are numerous. They include coordinating equipment, props, costumes and most of all trying to get across the ideas to the audience. "We start with a creative idea and spend a great deal of time finding props and special effects and then sometimes we must change our initial ideas because of lack of these items," explained Miss Kaye Wagner, faculty advisor.

The complete Dance Production class decides on the themes to be used in the show. The girls sign up for the various dances they wish to work on.

They start almost from scratch and make up the dances including props, music and costumes. Alyce Rubinfeld, a member of the Dance Production Class stated, "sometimes get brainstorming while working on the dances and then there are times when we

can't think of anything."

"The Dance Production Show could be phenomenal if the dances reach their peaks although this is only a high school production with limited time," stated Miss Wagner. "The girls have gotten along extremely well with a minimal amount of problems."

Miss Wagner has been extremely pleased with the girls attendance and interest in the show. There's an air of excitement and tenseness around the girls as they rehearse and prepare for the show. "It all gets done and comes our good in the end" said Miss Wagner.

Russian Celebrate Easter

The Russian department celebrated the Russian Easter on Friday by hosting a party during periods 1 and 2 in T-2.

Mrs. Betty Bernstein and the Russian 2 and 3 classes planned the festive activity. All foreign language classes that met period 1 or 2 were invited.

The party included traditional Russian food like kulich, especially for Easter, and paske. There was also Russian dancing including dances like Troika and Korobuska.

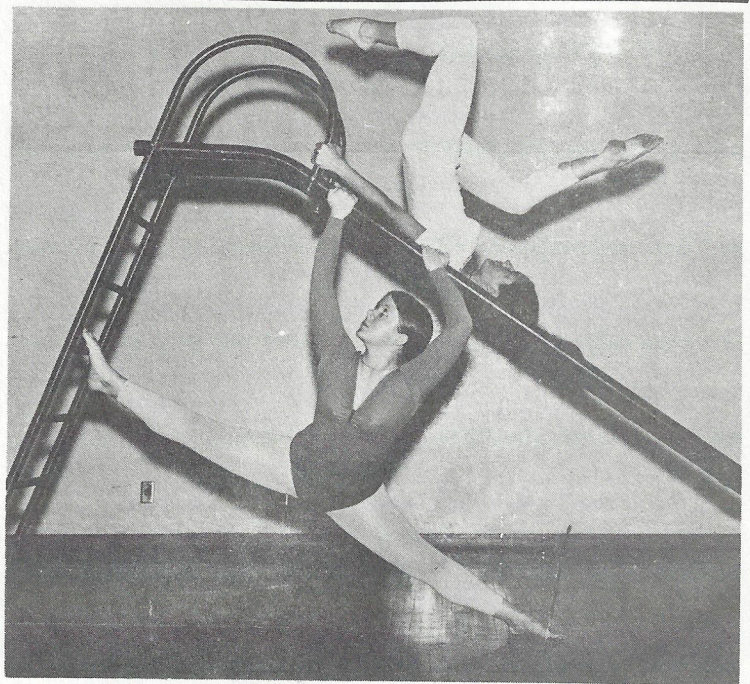
Two Russian students, Andrea Gage and Elena Koupanoff, explained that Russian is an important and unique language that isn't as hard as most people think.

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Loni McCusker (top) and Sunny Markwell utilize playground equipment in preparation for Thursday's modern dance show premiere.

Spikers Take Crown

by Bill Peck

Appropriately, on the day when the Viking track squad clinched the MVL championship, they also captured all but one event leading the way to a 92-26 demerit of the Poly Parrots, last Friday.

In preparation for this Friday, Richard Nance ran the 440 and 880 to get more speed for the mile although never challenging the front runners. Replacing Nance in the mile was David Bernstein running an excellent 4:39.9 time, winning the race while also preparing for the "CEE" division 1320.

Friday's meet also saw the return of problem plagued Tony Edwards, who running strong, managed to place second in the 220 while playing a key role in the 440 relay victory.

Overshadowing Edwards, however, was Steve Bergman, who according to Balzaret, "had his very best day", winning both the 100 in 10.3 and the 220 in 23.4.

Parrot Jack Watanabe claimed second place honors over Vkei Groves in the 100, while Viking Jack Ernst finished third behind Edwards in the 220.

Ernst took a 51.5 victory in the 440, capitalizing on teammate Chuck Ball and Parrot Harden Carter, previously unbeaten, but this time finishing third.

The successful 440 relay squad,

running a time of 44.4, included Groves, Edwards, Guy Benjamin and Bergman.

Mark Hilton, running a slow 10:14.4 two mile, bested teammate Scott Kellogg for top honors. Balzaret is not worried about Hilton, as he feels that he "will run the best race of his life" against Granada Hills.

With Bill Searby out with mononucleosis, Bob Rebbuffatti successfully filled his shoes with a 2:03.4 victory in the 880 and donated towards a Viking mile relay sweep.

The mile relay team with a time of 3:31.8 included Rebbuffatti, Benjamin (also a newcomer), Ball and Ernst. Searby is joined on the sick list of the relayers by Kevin Rocque, out with a virus infection.

State champion pole vaulter Tim Quinn cleared 15'0" to top teammates Mike Pendleton and Chuck Manente, both vaulting 12'0". Quinn also out high jumped Parrot Wayne Baily with 5'8" to capture top honors.

Ed Kasper, DOCTRINE sports editor, received fourth place honors in the sports category of the Southern California Journalism Education Association Write-Off competition held during the weekend at the International Hotel in Los Angeles.

Fashions End Week

Seersucker, jersey, halters, long dresses, smocks, pinafores, and the "layered look" were all featured in the Girls Week fashion show during third period last Friday.

The clothes shown made it clear that red, white and blue will again be high fashion colors for the year, with maroon and pale blue for an occasional change of pace.

Styles varied from the ever present pants in a variety of styles, to skirt and blouse looks, to long dresses. The emphasis was on separates, as many of the models wore "mix-and-match" outfits.

Smocks and pinafores promise to be big this summer. Five smocks were shown, some with pants, one as a cover-up for a halter dress, and the rest short dresses. One long-skirted, flower-splashed pinafore was shown, to be worn with or without a blouse.

Hot pants have not left us yet. Five variations of the style were modeled, most of them separate. However, one outfit was one piece, a pale blue skirt with white hot pants and a white belt to look like two different pieces. Long pants are still big, especially in pant suits (in spite of the long look for evening). The pants were form-fitting or loose, worn casual or dressy.

"The shirt look is big this year, worn sometimes as hackets, sometimes as simply shirts," according to Mrs. Ruth Reis, fashion consultant for the May Company, who furnished the clothes. One way it was shown was over a shirt and pants outfit, for warm days that suddenly turn cool.

The layered look was evident in a variety of different outfits, with vests, shirts, pants, and skirts.

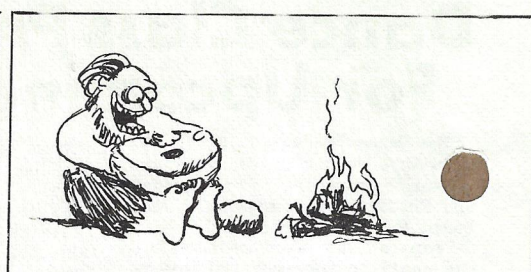
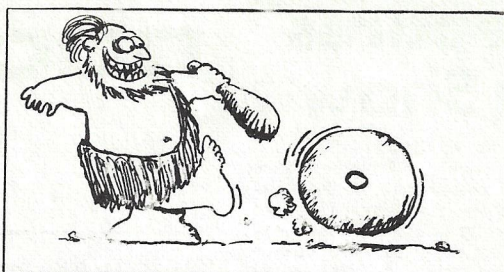
The escorts, Brent Hunter, Pete Pietrowski, Mike Staley, and Tim Quinn, also modeled clothes provided by the May Company. Narration was provided by Cindy Tanaka, Monroe's representative to the May Company Teen Board.

Monroe Gymnasts Rip Poly

Monroe's gymnastic team, taking all six events, ripped a much weaker Poly team by nearly 40 points Thursday afternoon at Poly, 137.6-98.

Monroe's best event was the high bar. The Vikes devastated Poly's team, which could only score 3.2, 3.4, and 4.8 to the Vikes' 6.3, 6.9 and 7.8.

The second event, the free X was the closest event of the meet. Monroe, missing the services of Tom Leto, was able to win the event by 1.6 points.



Mini Memos

John Strauss and Barbara Bekover

DO-TRINE will be presenting a weekly column entitled "Mini-course Memos." This column will explain various mind courses now in existence.

Preparation for the Junior Achievement Test is being taught during X-1 on Tuesday morning by Mrs. Marguerite Karlin in E-13.

She stressed vocabulary and logical thinking for Saturday's PSAT and SAT tests.

Mrs. Judy Uspiro is conducting a course on Basic Principles of Objectivism on Thursday X-2 in E-7.

It is a series of recorded lectures by Nathaniel Brandon on the "Philosophy of Objectivism."

The lectures begin with a general explanation and history, and include such topics as: concept of God, sex and ethics.

New Drum Majors and Rifle Corps Highlight Band

Rico Rosengren, Bill Pau, and Richard Nance have been chosen as Drum Majors for next year's Marching Band.

Chosen from a small competitive field by Mr. Charles Davidson, band director, and this year's Drum Major Brian Lase and his assistant, Jack Rosengren (next year's Drum Major). They were judged on their ability to give commands clearly and drill the band. They were also required to put together a field show.

An added feature to next year's band will be a newly formed Rifle Corps. It consists of Maria de Angelo, captain, Kim Linthrop and Diane Doniner. There are three available positions.

The corps will twirl rifles and execute drills and routines along with the band.

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MOVIE REVIEW

Bangladesh' Praiseworthy

Patty Pollock

There are few movies as of late that are worth waiting in long lines to see. "A Concert for Bangladesh," produced by George Harrison, is well worth it.

The concert was conceived when Ravi Shankar went to George Harrison to ask him for help feeding the starving people of Bangladesh.

As a result, George Harrison organized one of the greatest extravaganzas in rock music history. Many of the all-time rock greats flew hundreds of miles for no pay to put together a concert which generated a kind of excitement on stage unlike anything else.

The show included, on one stage all at once, George Harrison, Ringo Starr, Leon Russell, Eric Clapton, Badfinger, the Molliswood Horns, and a host of others. The show also featured Indian music by Ravi Shankar.

"A Concert for Bangladesh" is well worth the time.

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EDITOR'S DESK

Miguel Capote

Faculty department chairmen voted recently to continue on the present mini course schedule because of pressure they received from the area superintendent. Apparently, the faculty would rather stay on a schedule that gives teachers a great deal of free time despite the fact it can be called a failure.

The area superintendents have objected to teachers leaving school early on Friday and it is expected that they will have more time for course and staff development. This extra time will be added on to the time they are already taking from students by having staff development programs during X-1, X-2, and X-5.

The faculty can apparently excuse itself for using the X periods or faculty development because they have been conveniently placed at a time

when all this free from class time, small wonder the faculty will not want to risk losing their paradise of a schedule for the sake of improvement for students.

As I understood it, the main purpose of the X program was to provide students with an opportunity to take classes they ordinarily would not be able to take. More staff development time was only a sideline issue. Now apparently the faculty mem-

bers of the committee are emphasizing course developments instead of minicourses. Students get stuck holding the short end of the stick.

Despite the fact that the present minicourse schedule is being attended by 300 students out of a population of 4000, the committee feels that the program is a success. It may be a success for teachers, but student-wise it is the biggest failure. When over 20 percent of the students along with a great number of the X period back in the middle of the day along with a community of irate parents who think the program is a complete hoax, I think its time for change.

And if the area superintendents cannot see it, it is the duty of the minicourse committee to attempt to justify change to the superintendents instead of justifying leaving school early on Friday.

Student opinion has again been neatly tossed aside, but this time by all groups, the faculty. I appeal then to another group which carries more weight than any other, the parents. Only they can complain to the faculty and to the schedule is necessary to make this program a true success.

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