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Pinafore, Banquet cap spring events

Exposing social injustice based on an artificial class structure, *H.M.S. Pinafore* proved to be a delightful blend of music, entertainment, and social satire.

In a mockery of the custom of marital separation between social classes, Ralph Rackstraw (a lowly sailor played by Tom Nevil) is clapped in chains for trying to elope with Captain Corcoran's (Jeff Wells) daughter Josephine (Deb Lehman). When Buttercup (Gay McMichael) reveals that she, as nursemaid to both Ralph and Corcoran, switched families for them, Ralph immediately becomes Captain, and Josephine is suddenly the lower class daughter of a sailor.

With the folly of basing love on class distinction exposed, Ralph and Josephine become engaged, and Sir Joseph (Randy Grieser) chooses to wed his cousin Hebe (Flossie Johnson).

Not a melodrama at all, but rather a pleasant reality, the semi-formal Junior-Senior Banquet, titled "Impressions," took place at The Lantern. Banquet goers enjoyed a catered dinner, a slide show, and entertainment by Larnelle Harris.



Left: Enjoying guest artist Larnelle Harris, Junior-Senior Banquet goers relax by candle light at The Lantern.

UPPER 4 PHOTOS—Top Left: Narrowly escaping suicide, Ralph Rackstraw (Tom Nevil) freezes as Josephine (Deb Lehman) says she loves him. The crew of *Pinafore* greet Sir Joseph's many "cousins and aunts." Three "couples" stealthily prepare to help Ralph and Josephine elope. Sir Joseph tosses his hanky in a grand gesture designed to demean the Admiralty. CENTER—All ends happily after Buttercup (Gay McMichael) reveals that Ralph is royalty and Captain Corcoran was lowly born. Bottom Center: "I'm ugly and I'm mean!" exclaims Dick Deadeye (Gary Litwiller) to Corcoran. Bottom Right: Sir Joseph, Josephine, and Corcoran sing a satirical trio.

Spring Banquet re-unites alums, friends

Following a brief fellowship period, the annual Spring Banquet got under way at Hall's Lester's banquet room. After greeting returning alums, faculty, and friends, emcee Paul David Robbins gave special recognition to the classes of 1927, 1952, and 1967. Dinner followed the invocation delivered by Dr. Timothy Warner.

Special Music from **The Messengers, The Faculty Four and The Grace Notes Trio** alternately amused, entertained, and inspired the crowd.

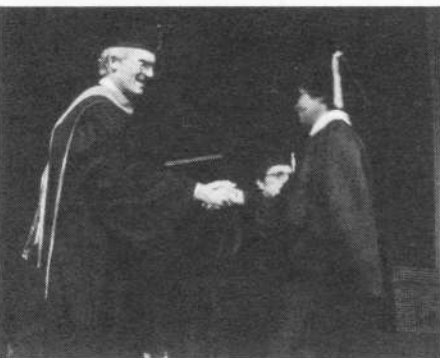
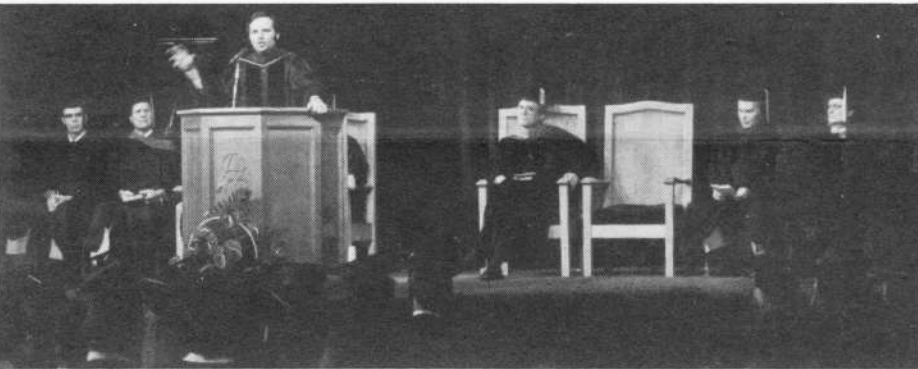
Reminiscing over old times, former FWBC president Dr. Jared Gerig, Mr. Vernon Blue, and Mrs. Dixie Garner brought laughter to everyone's lips. Who could forget Arlan Birkey's "ride" in a washing machine?

Highlighting the program were special recognitions of the outstanding senior man and woman (see page 8) and the presentation of Outstanding Alumni Awards.



TOP ROW—Mrs. S. A. Witmer greets returning friends. Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Blue enjoy the pre-banquet refreshments. Dr. and Mrs. Timothy Warner chat with alums. **SECOND ROW**—Alumna Deb Gerig provides listening enjoyment before dinner. Special guests of honor, four members of the class of 1927 return for the Spring Banquet. M. C. Paul David Robbins introduces FWBC Chancellor Dr. Jared Gerig. **THIRD ROW**—Manning the projector, AV Director Grant Hoatson provides "flashbacks" of 20 FWBC "famous persons." The Messengers quartet gets it all together in a "return" engagement. **FOURTH ROW**—The Faculty Four delight banquet guests with inspirational song. Adding beauty to talent, the Grace Notes reunite to entertain alums and friends. Outstanding Alumni Award recipients Paul David Robbins, Dr. Jared Gerig, and Mrs. S. A. Witmer pose with FWBC president Dr. Timothy Warner and College Relations Director Larry Miller.





TOP—Seniors pay tribute to DAD. Char Binkley interviews parents on Senior Night. **ROW TWO**—Outstanding Senior Woman Flossie Johnson heads the commencement procession. Seniors depict studying (illegally) by flashlight (and getting caught). Reverend Charles Zimmerman of Archbold, OH reads the commencement Scripture. **CENTER**—Speaker Dr. Norman Geisler advises grads to learn to cope with non-Christian philosophies. Dr. Warner presents Neysa Costa with her diploma.

Senior Night, Baccalaureate, and Commencement exercises cap year

Senior Night brought parents and friends from as far away as Tokyo, Japan to Founders Auditorium where members of the graduating class entertained the large crowd. Deb Burkeen emceed the event which featured skits, testimonies, interviews, and music. Following the program, the faculty received seniors and their parents.

Pastoral Ministries Department chairman Reverend Robert Strubhar addressed graduation candidates, parents, and friends on Sunday morning, May 15 at the annual Baccalaureate service. His topic was "God's Clouds Have Silver Linings."

Sunday afternoon's beautiful, unseasonably warm weather saw a record number of candidates receive degrees before an overflow crowd in Founders. Speaker Dr. Norman Geisler, chairman of the Division of Philosophy of Religion at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School of Deerfield, Illinois, earned the respect and admiration of all present. Dr. Geisler has received degrees from Wheaton College, Wheaton Graduate School, Detroit Bible College, and Loyola University (Ph.D.).

Coming Events

August, 1977

- 22: Faculty retreat
- 23: Faculty retreat; Student Advisers return
- 24 - 27: Student Adviser retreat
- 27: Music Entrance Exam 1 p.m.;
New students arrive
- 28: Orientation program (Founders)
- 29: Orientation Week begins; Returning students arrive 1 p.m.; Crazy Night
- 30: Registration for transfers and returning students begins 8:30 a.m.
- 31: New student registration 8:30 a.m.;
Spiritual Emphasis Week begins.

September, 1977

- 5: Labor Day; All School Picnic 2 p.m.
- 6: Classes begin 8 a.m.
- 9: Fun Night (outdoors)
- 9 - 10: Musical Ministries tent
- 10: Tennis vs. St. Francis 3:30 p.m.
- 13: Tennis vs. IIT (T) 3:30 p.m.
- 16: Tennis vs. Huntington (T) 3:30 p.m.
- 16 - 17: Junior Class retreat
- 17: Women's Seminar
- 24: Tennis vs. John Wesley (T) 1 p.m.
- 27: Tennis vs. Grand Rapids Baptist (H) 3 p.m.
- 30: Tennis vs. Grand Rapids Bible (H) 3 p.m.

October, 1977

- 3: Women's Volleyball vs. Concordia of Fort Wayne and IIT (H) 7 p.m.
- 4: Tennis vs. Bethel (T) 1 p.m.
- 6: Women's Volleyball vs. Bethel and IU-PU of Ft. Wayne (H) 7 p.m.
- 7: Jewel Ache scholarship presentation (chapel)
- 8: Tennis vs. Mich. Christian (T);
Alumni/Parents Day
- 10: Women's Volleyball vs. John Wesley (H) 6:30 p.m.
- 11: Tennis vs. Great Lakes Bible (H) 3:30 p.m.
- 12: Tennis vs. IIT (H) 2:30 p.m.
- 14: Tennis vs. Concordia (T);
Women's Volleyball vs. GRSBM (T)

Mitchell assumes food management

Atlanta-born Frank Mitchell has replaced Carson Wells of Saga Food Service as FWBC's cafeteria director. Following Wells' promotion and subsequent move to Anderson College, Mitchell, who previously served Saga at Asbury College in Kentucky, took the reins at FWBC.

After majoring in Pre-medicine and Biology at Transyl-

vania College, Mitchell taught biology for three years prior to going to work for the Ponderosa Steak House chain. Two years later (about a year ago) he went to work for Saga.

Married, Mitchell is seeking residence near the FWBC campus.



President's

perspective

Dr. Timothy Warner has served as President of Fort Wayne Bible College for the past five years. Except for a three year period spent as a missionary to Sierra Leone, Africa, Dr. Warner has been on the faculty of the college since 1953. He has been widely recognized as an outstanding leader in education.

"When I came here four years ago, I was a scared little girl. Now I have a faith that is strong and defensible and one that I can share with others," testified one of our May graduates one day in Chapel, and that is what Christian education is all about.

Many colleges today, under pressure from a society permeated by humanism, have rejected any responsibility for the lives of students outside the purely academic process in classrooms and laboratories. The idea that the college continues responsibility carried by the parents through high school for the total development of the student is generally considered *passé* in higher education.

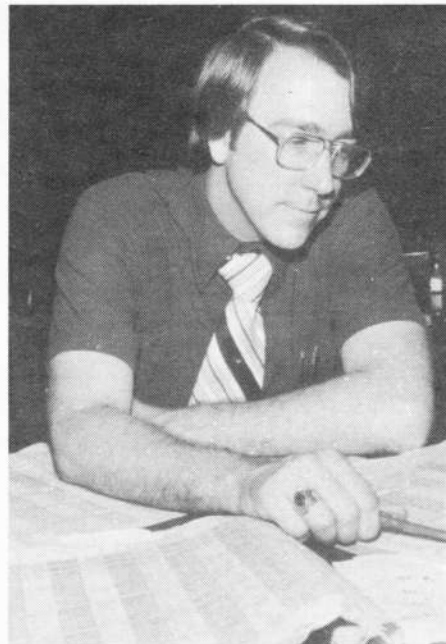
I am happy to be able to say that such an idea is not *passé* at Fort Wayne Bible College. We still seek to relate to each student with a kind of parental concern for their growth as persons. This is not to say we treat them like children. We rather attempt to provide guidance and counsel appropriate to this stage of their growth into responsible adults.

Eighteen-year-olds are legally adults in many parts of the country today, but that does not mean they have achieved intellectual, emotional, social, and spiritual maturity. To assume that they would be to leave many a "scared little girl" or "scared little boy" without the resources they would need at such a critical time in their lives. Since the college is an arm of the church and an extension of the family, it is our privilege to carry on the work which those institutions have begun. We have the joy of assisting the students in the maturation process and of seeing them come to the place where they are ready not only to live in the world as adults, but to minister to that world in the name of Christ.

Lest you think academics are unimportant at Fort Wayne Bible College, you would need only to talk with the students to discover that such is not the case. Even in the area of science, for example, our seniors score above the average for all college seniors across the country on standardized tests.

The father of a graduate gave a parent's view of all of this in a recent letter: "My wife and I are genuinely thankful for Fort Wayne Bible College. The atmosphere and instruction for our daughters have been everything we could have expected. God has put you in a large place. Stand firm and tall, unapologetically, as a school for the purpose of equipping youth for Christian living and ministry."

Don't you agree that this makes every investment in Fort Wayne Bible College worthwhile?



Frank Mitchell, newly appointed director of Saga Food Service, pores over supply lists for 1977-78.

Deans take part in Institute Conference

FWBC's three Student Personnel Deans participated in the Deans' Conference at Moody Bible Institute in June. Director of Student Services Gene Hovee, serving in the first year of a three year term as president of the Association of Christian Deans and Advisers of Men, presided over the men's organization.

Barb Coon (Administrative Assistant and Women's Adviser) and Russ Rogers (Men's Adviser and Schultz Hall Resident Adviser) led idea exchange sessions covering Student Adviser training and Social Activities respectively.

Executives busy with conferences, evaluation teams

FWBC's President, Dr. Timothy Warner, was the Missionary Church's representative to the American Bible Society National Advisory Council in New York City in April. He personally presented the church's recommendations.

Several FWBC administrators have recently served on Collegiate Examining Teams:

Dr. Timothy Warner — Criswell Center for Biblical Studies in Dallas;

Herald Welty — Ontario Bible College in Toronto, Ontario, Canada;

Dr. Gene Hovee — Philadelphia College of the Bible; and

Ronald Scharfe — St. Louis Christian College.



Faculty, staffers wrap up season with dinner, show, service awards

Faculty, staff, and administrators enjoyed a special dinner at First Presbyterian Church. Russ Rogers of the Student Services Department served as master of ceremonies for the event.



Following the dinner, Dr. Warner spoke briefly and turned the program over to Ira Gerig who introduced guest vocalist Raymond McAfee. Mr. McAfee sang several selections of Scottish origin.



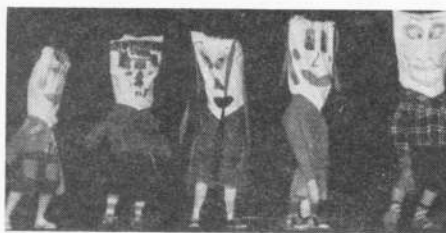
At a special chapel service, six staff members received loyalty citations in recognition of over 25 years of service to the College. Mrs. Ada Hausser, presently a part-time worker in the Physical Plant Department, has been with FWBC for 33 years.



Edith Ehlke, with 31 years of service, is professor of English. She also instructs for the Correspondence Department. Cyril H. Eicher, who has served for 27 years, is Professor and Director of Correspondence Studies. Ann Neuenschwander, recognized for 25 years of service, is Secretary to the President of the college. Professor Emeritus W. O. Klopfenstein also has served for 25 years.

Ira Gerig received special recognition for his 31 years of service in the Music Department. Gerig also serves as organist for the First Missionary Church in Fort Wayne.

The annual Faculty/Staff Talent(?) Show drew a sizeable crowd. Christian Education instructor Joe Snider kept a lively patter going between acts, interrupted only occasionally by a very young heckler who turned out to be the hit of the show. Although minor disasters gave performers a few nervous moments, the program went smoothly and was well-received.

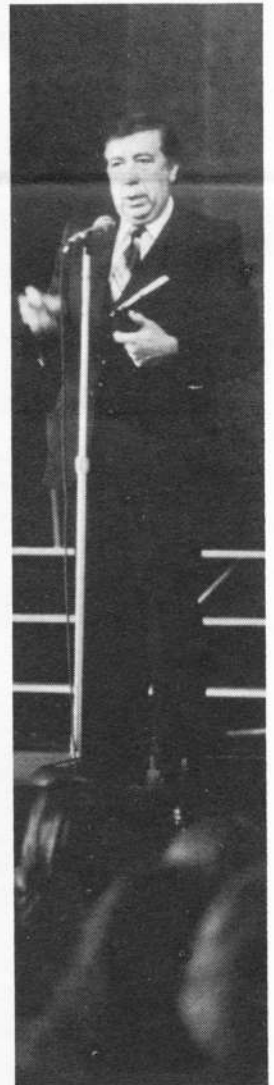


Top Left: Guest vocalist Raymond McAfee was a great hit with all present. **Top Right:** Served at First Presbyterian church, the Faculty/staff dinner provided a welcome respite. **ROW TWO—Dr. Warner presents Ira Gerig** a Special Recognition certificate as other long-term staff members look on. **Barb Coon and Russ Rogers** become "The Captain and Barbille." **ROW THREE—An FWBC student** attempts to silence "the little heckler" who was a big hit at the Faculty/staff talent show. **Dr. and Mrs. Warner** interpret "Do You Love Me?" from *Fiddler on the Roof*. **Left: Entr'acte clowns** provide farce. **Above: The sack people** draw guffaws with their "dance."



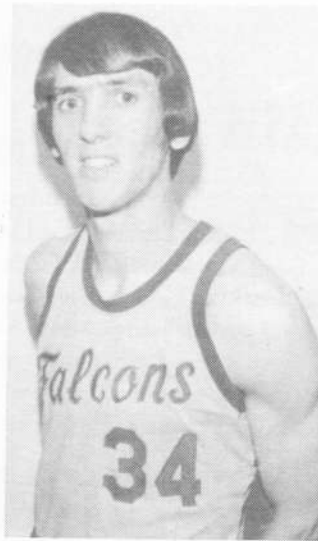


Page 6/TOP—A brass wind ensemble, Certain Sound opens the Christian Service performing groups program. **Dr. Warner** introduces the entire membership of the three performing ensembles. **ROW TWO**—Consisting of 10 members plus a sound engineer, Positive Side presents a selection from their California tour. **As a preface to their testimonies**, Kindred inspires the audience with an up tempo religious number. **BOTTOM SIX PHOTOS**—A real test of co-ordination and co-operation, the egg passing race included uncooked eggs as well as piggy back transportation. **Friday evening's opening session** of "Inside Out" got a lively start with two FWBC "hillbillies." **Would-be rodeo riders** test their skills on the bucking barrel. **"No! Turn right!"** was easier said than done in the blind man's bluff version of a wagon race. **One of six "families,"** the "chorus line" was part of the get acquainted program at First Missionary Church on Friday night. **Featured speaker John DeBrine** treats the topic "Inside New" at Sunday chapel service to wind up the 1977 Youth Conference.



PAGE 7/TOP—Center **Steve Cochran** outreaches an opponent in the NCCAA Division II national competition. **Sophomore Cochran** represents FWBC in Ventures for Victory this summer. **Gary Ringenberg** returns happily to his seat after receiving his basketball trophy. **ROW THREE**—**Francis Schaeffer's books** provide interesting reading for seminar participants. **Congressional columnist Allan Brownfield** speaks on the topic "Can We Survive Another 200 Years of Democracy?" **BOTTOM**—**Dr. Warner** receives the **Valley Forge Honor Certificate** from Dan Coats, District Representative for Congressman Dan Quayle. **FWBC faculty members** field questions from the 200 seminar participants.





Variety of events place FWBC in news spotlight

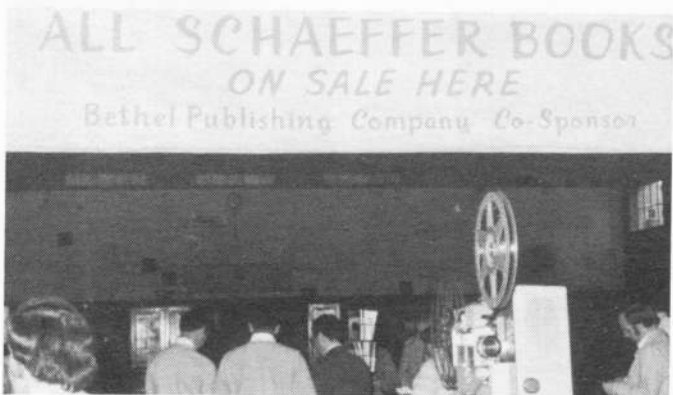
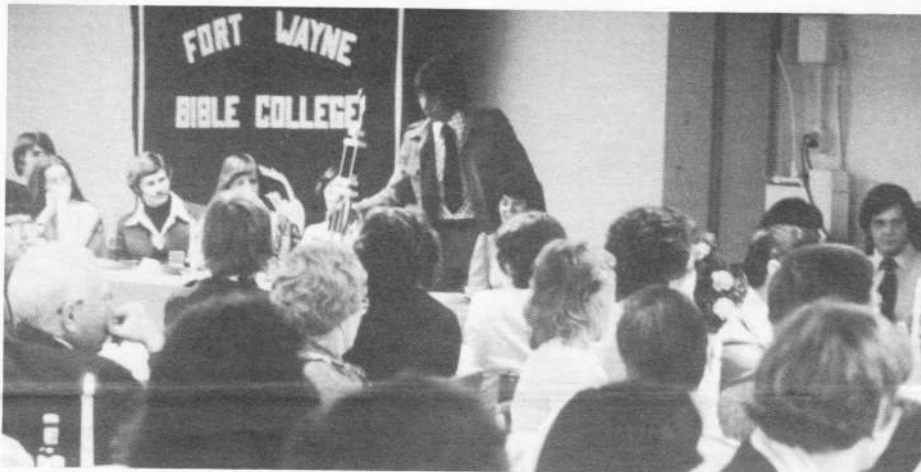
Christian Service performing groups held an audience of about 500 virtually spellbound in a special end-of-the-year concert in Founders Auditorium late in March. Positive Side, Kindred, and Certain Sound offered selections from a broad repertoire of contemporary and standard religious music.

"Inside Out" was the theme of the 1977 Youth Conference which enrolled over 400 high school students for a weekend of fun and Christian study. Speaker John DeBrine inspired students to think seriously about turning their lives inside out in service to Christ.

Wrapping up a generally successful sports year, the athletic banquet saw awards go to more than 40 FWBC men and women who represented the college in tennis, volleyball, cheerleading, and basketball. Sophomore standout Steve Cochran received honors as MVP, best free throw shooter, best field goal percentage, leading rebounder, and leading scorer. Cochran is currently representing the college in a Ventures for Victory basketball tour through South America and the Caribbean. The crusade team plays two or three games each day for six weeks in Ecuador, Bolivia, Colombia, and the Dominican Republic. Cochran also was named to the first team in Fort Wayne All City College and District III of the National Christian College Athletic Association.

In a special ceremony chaired by Mrs. Eve Rickner, Fort Wayne Bible College received the Freedom's Foundation at Valley Forge Honor Certificate in the School Programs division of the Education category. Dr. Warner accepted the award which was presented by Mr. Dan Coats, assisted by Mrs. Harold Palmer, vice-president of the Fort Wayne Chapter.

FWBC hosted the area premier of the Francis Schaeffer film seminar "How Shall We Then Live," which was attended by about 200 persons.



Students gain recognition, perform services

Editor's Note:

Space limitations will not permit recognition of all students who should be acknowledged. Therefore, the following lists are provided as partial credit to those who have done an outstanding job during the past year.

Recitals

Marcy Bogert, violin
Donna Grabill, vocal

Scholarship Recipients

Jay Marquart, Roy Meyer Scholarship
Debbie White, Ladies Auxiliary
Jeffrey Hoffman, Ladies Auxiliary

Delta Epsilon Chi

(National honor society of the AABC)

Donna Grabill
Jeffrey Hoffman
Florence Johnson
Duane Nayrocker
Linda Taylor
Gwen Zeltwanger

Outstanding Senior Man/Woman

Jeffrey Hoffman
Florence Johnson

1977-78 Student Government

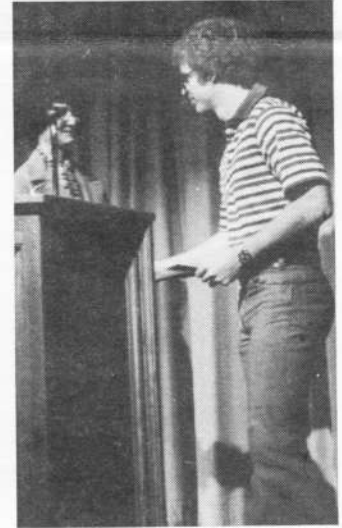
Scott Duncan, sophomore president
Stan Gerig, junior president
Dave Rusk, senior president
Don Deighton, Student Ass'n. president

1977-78 Student Advisers

Juanita Baker, Steve Cochran, John Gregory, Randy Haulk, Joe Jacobs, Kathy LaBree, Ruth Lehman, Gary Litwiller, Mark Longcor, Jeannie Mohr, Nancy Raney, Bruce Rocke, Dave Scholl, Linda Stolfus, Evelyn Tomlinson, Mary Waddell, Rachel Weber, Sharon Wilson

Summer Missionaries

Ellen Bixel, Brian Brooke, Rob Diamond, Lynette Folsom, Jana Habegger, Dan Harrigan, Dan Hill, Flossie Johnson, Doug Kovatch, Tim Leeever, Dana Ponchot, Bruce Rocke, Don Rondy, Rachel Weber, Jeff Wells, Bob Wido, Cheryl Wolfe



TOP—Left: Accompanied by Mrs. James Loomis, Marcy Bogert thrills her audience. **Center: Donna (Hara) Grabill** presents a difficult vocal solo in Spanish. **Right: Outstanding Senior Woman** Flossie Johnson and **Outstanding Senior Man** Jeffrey Hoffman received special recognition at the Spring Banquet. **BOTTOM—Left: Chorale members** pose with Congressman Dan Quayle (lower right) in Washington, D.C. **Right: Jay Marquart** receives the Roy Meyer Memorial Scholarship from Mrs. Meyer.

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