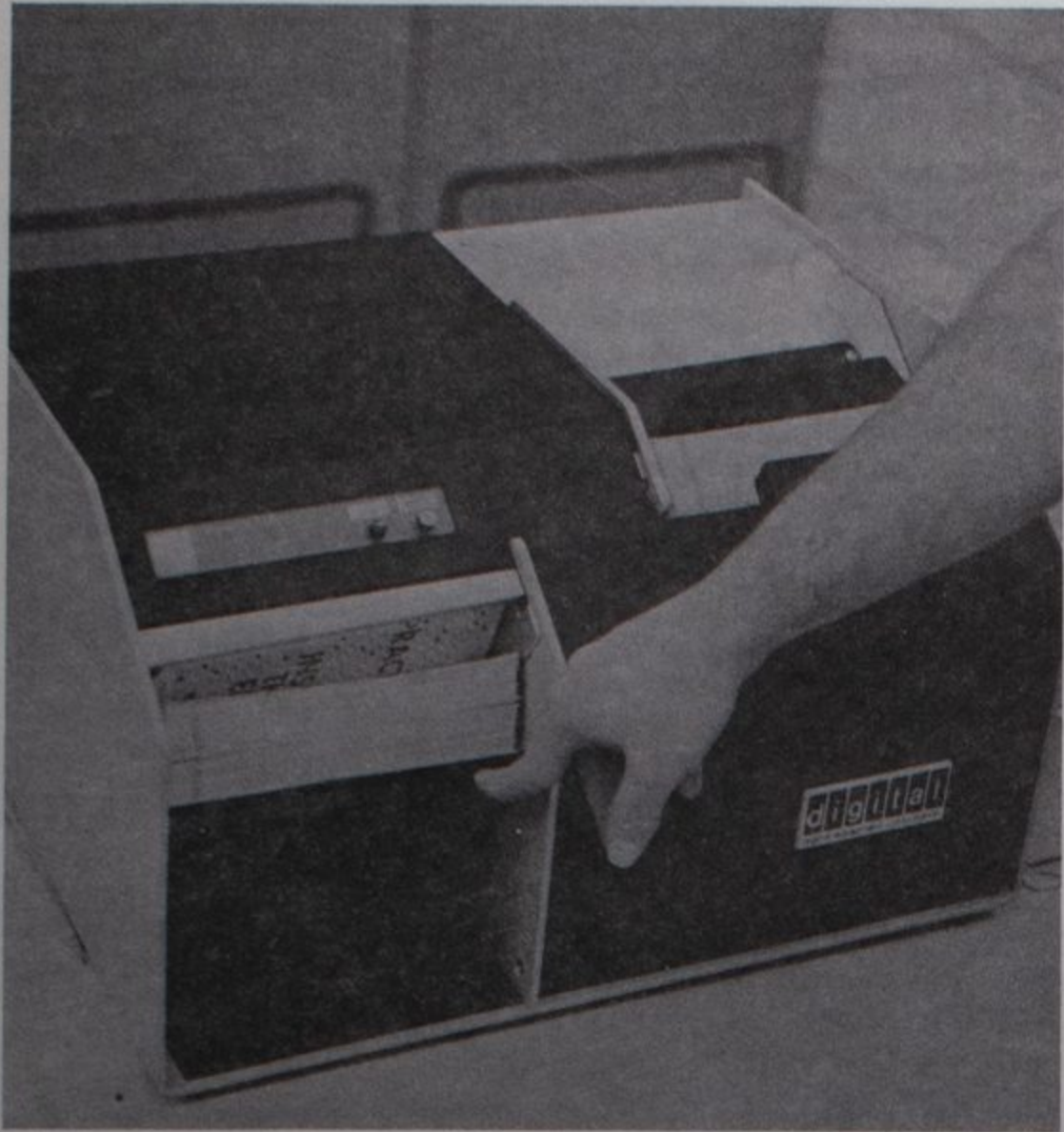




Mysterious finger holds down cards while computer tabulates the votes from last week's student body election. Photo by Greenfield

Alan Kassin runs unopposed For president; only 30 percent vote

Alan Kassin, this year's Junior Class President, ran unopposed in last week's computerized elections, thus becoming Taft's new student body President for next fall. Kassin was one of the five candidates who ran an uncontested race.

Greg Pomerantz, the chairman of this year's elections attributed the low total of candidates to the fact that only sophomores and juniors were eligible to run for office.

But signs of pure apathy were eminent last week, as only 30% of the student body voted in the primaries (only 134 seniors), and a total even less than that cast ballots in the run-offs. But, according to Pomerantz, the low turnout occurs every spring, simply because the election results do not directly affect the seniors, and therefore, there is a general dis-

interest in the outcomes.

Proposition Defeated

Proposition One, the measure to do away with the Taft nickname "Toreadors" was defeated. The vote came to the electorate when over 200 signatures were submitted to Cabinet before the elections.

The offices of Recording Secretary, Director of Special Services, Director of Community Involvement, and Tribune Liason, were appointed offices announced this week. The service council president, the foreign exchange student, and the new Cabinet Office, Director of Performing Arts, will be determined later.

These are the complete results of last week's elections:

- Student Body President:**
Alan Kassin
- Student Body Vice-President:**
Carole Medway
- Senior Class President:**
David Rainer
- Director of Communications:**
John Markman
- Corresponding Secretary:**
Cathy Tetef
- Athletic Director:**
Jim Kalmenson
- Director of Spirit:**
Sue Stovall
- Junior Class President:**
Cathy Maron
- Treasurer:**
Glenn Pomerantz
- Social Director:**
Alyson Easton
- Director of Assemblies:**
Roberta Hartman

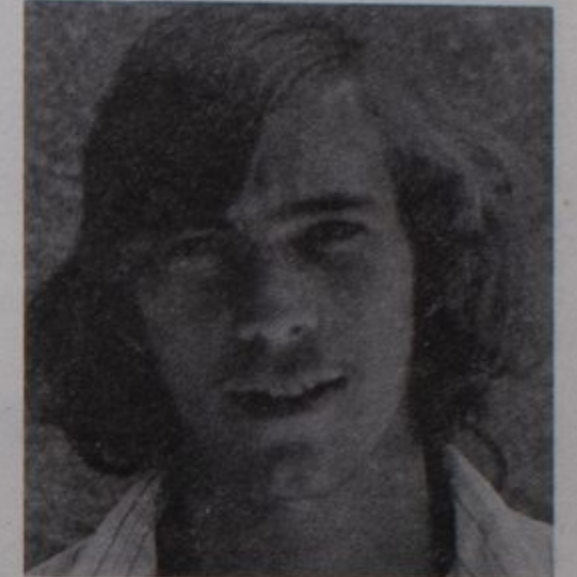
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Leslie Bauer

Welfare Director:
Jodi Bauer

Director of Enviroment:
Ralph Haman

Publicity Chariman:
Laura Mjorud

Curriculum Chairman:
Matt Bell



David Rainer

Various medical fields discussed at medical center

El Camino and Taft High School students were given detailed information on a variety of medical fields at a health careers symposium conducted by Marjorie Jane Davis, coordinator health careers, on May 2 at Los Angeles County - USC Medical Center. Sponsored by the Medical Center's Volunteer Health Services, the symposium covered the range of careers from paramedic to nuclear medicine tech., how to prepare for these careers, and what education and training are necessary. The students were accompanied by their career advisor, Georgellen Hofhine.

Speaking on the paramedic in emergency medicine was Ginger Gruzinski, R.N., instructor of paramedics at the Medical Center, which has the largest paramedic training program in the U.S.

"The paramedic at the scene of an emergency is the eyes and hands of the physician at the base hospital," said Miss Gruzinski when describing what a paramedic does. "They are trained to treat heart attack victims, vehicle accidents, seizures, drug overdoses, respiratory problems, burns, and child birth," she said.

The paramedic uses high frequency radio and telemetry to transmit vital signs and other important patient information to physicians at base hospitals. Once the victim is treated at the scene, he is transported to the hospital accompanied by the paramedic.

A motorcade through Woodland Hills and Tarzana involving Taft High School and its feeder schools, will begin at 12:30 this Sunday and end at approximately 2:30. The purpose of the parade, which will involve horseback riders and bicyclists, is to publicize Propositions R and S. Everyone is invited to participate in any form except walking. E.C.R. and Canoga High Schools' Bands and Drill teams have been invited to join.

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Vocational Nursing Program scheduled to begin June 25

This June 25th, the Vocational Nursing Program will get under way on the Taft campus. The program, being the first of its kind in the state for high school seniors, provides intensive preparation for the examination for certification as a Licensed Vocational Nurse by the State of California.

The 15 seniors to be participating in this program were carefully picked from a group of 44 applying juniors from various local high schools. Mrs. Georgellen Hofhine, career counselor, said in an interview, "We had a very

difficult time choosing among the students because of their high caliber. What I looked for was a dedication to nursing and maturity."

The following girls from our student body are among those to be participating: Ambre Cuthbert, Sandra Davies, Deborah Kassebaum, Sandra Kreisberg, Alexandra Malec, Jerri Price, Lyn Shillan, and Elizabeth Vreede.

The course meets the same requirements as any other course training people for vocational nursing. In order to meet the required 1600 hours of in-hospital experience the students will work in a local hospital three days a week, seven hours per day. The other two days of the week will be spent on campus, six hours a day, in a fully equipped class-

room (bed, standard medical equipment, manikin etc.). Both hospital and classroom instruction will be provided by a registered nurse and teacher.

During their senior year, the girls will not be enrolled in any of the classes an ordinary senior would be in (comp., government etc.). All the credits they need in order to graduate will be earned within the nursing program. They will receive a regular high school diploma along with the rest of the graduation class. The program itself ends on August 18, 1975. They are then eligible in September of 1975 to take the examination for their license. For those who wish to be a registered nurse may do so by attending a state college for another year.

News in Brief

Taft's annual Spring Concert, featuring from the instrumental department such organizations as Concert Band and Orchestra, was presented in Taft Hall, May 29, at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Kenneth Kamp directed the groups.

Among the numbers performed by Taft's Concert Band in this community concert were "The Second American Folk Rhapsody" by Grundmond and a "Prelude and Fugue in E-sharp minor" by Bach. Orchestra did several classical pieces, one of them, the second movement from a symphony written by Maydn. Also included in the program was a Debussy melody, written for harp and string orchestra, entitled "Dances". Instrumentalist Felice Pomerantz accompanied on the harp.

The oldies rock group that performed at the Homecoming dance, LiL' Elmo and the Cosmos, will perform again tonight, May 31, from 8:00 pm to 11:00 pm at the dance in Taft Hall. A promotional lunch concert was held here in the quad this Tuesday. Tickets are on sale for one dollar.

The week of June 3 will not be an ordinary week. It is the week of Superstar Week and Boost It Again Week. The later is another spirit week sponsored by Cabinet.



Sidney Harth conducting the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra in a concert held for elementary school students last Thursday morning. Another con-

cert was held later that afternoon for the benefit of Taft Students period 7. Photo by Greenfield



Alan Kassin

Staff reporter rides with patrolman

By Jack Kerrigan
Tribune Staff Writer

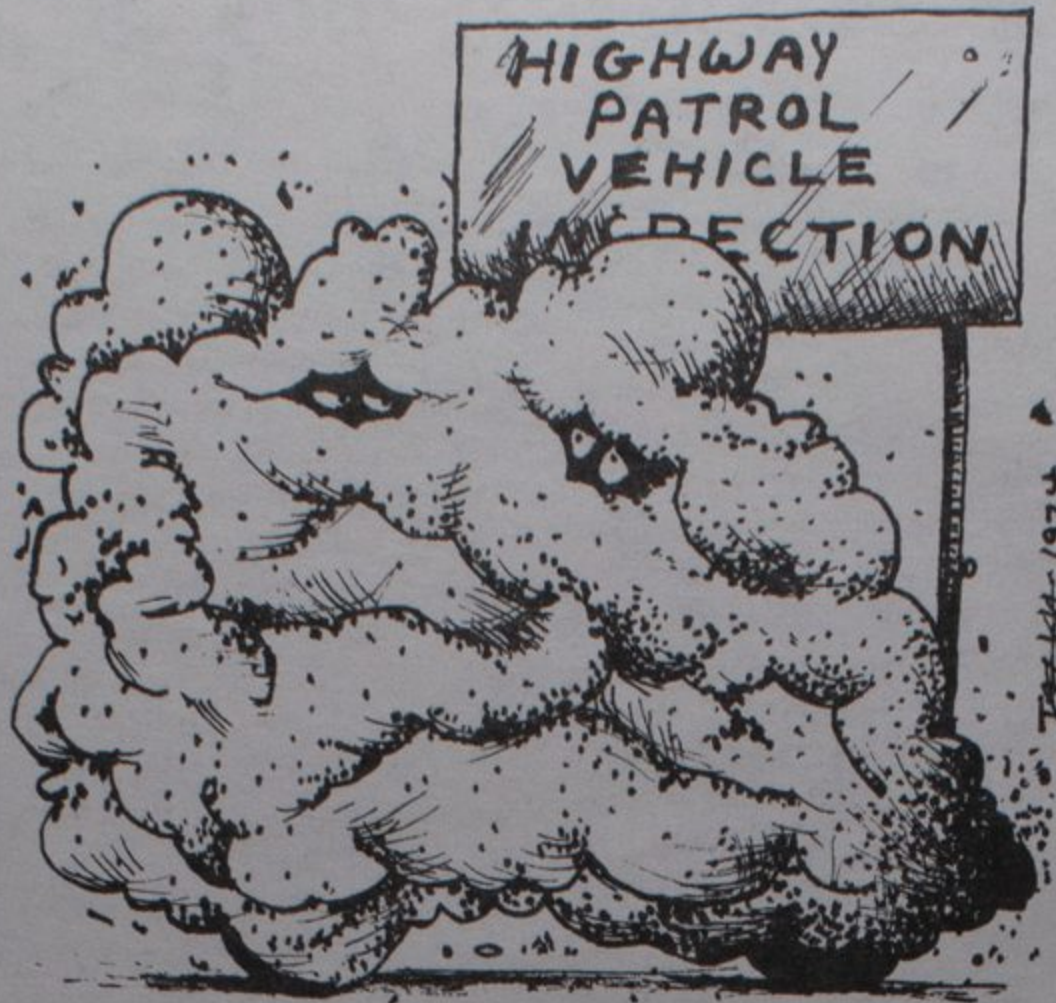
I recently had the opportunity to ride with a Highway Patrol Officer on his daily beat as part of the Highway Patrol's "Ride Along Program". The Program is still quite new and it was formed so citizens could get to know the people in charge of enforcing laws on the L.A. County Freeway system.

After I had gone through all the red tape and paper work, I set up an appointment to ride with Officer Rex B. Bartholme, a former graduate of Taft, for Thursday and Friday, May 9th and 10th, on his 2 PM to 10 PM shift.

I arrived at the West Valley Station at 1:30 so I could listen in on the daily briefing. The briefing consisted mostly of talk about a 10% pay increase for the patrolmen, and of a possible strike.

Finally, after all questions were answered, Officer Bartholme gave the words "Let's roll". I don't know what preconceived ideas you have about the daily job of a Highway Patrolman, but it's not all bank robberies and shoot outs like you may have grown accustomed to on TV. In fact, the only time Officer Bartholme drew his gun, was to make sure it was in proper working condition before the start of the day.

We were working "B Sector", which consists of the San Diego



"But Officer, that is my anti-smog device!"

Freeway starting at Roscoe and the Golden State Freeway starting at Sheldon and ending in the Newhall-Saugus area.

The first day didn't turn out to be very exciting. We started out by helping a gentleman from Massachusetts with a flat tire, kicking a

few derelicts off some on-ramps, and picking up a Highway Patrolman at a Harley Davidson Shop because his motorcycle had a flat tire.

One thing that did strike me as amusing, is what the Highway Patrol calls "the halo of influence".

The halo covers a 30 yard radius around the patrol car and anybody that enters it becomes a "perfect angel".

However, we did catch a few speeders, the first of which Rex gave a verbal warning. One speeder which still remains fresh in my mind was a guy in a 240z who was cruising down the San Diego Freeway at an even 66. The guy was a little "P.O'ed" in the first place about being pulled over and when Rex asked, "what are you doing?" the driver exclaimed, "I was just looking at the Freeway."

To end a rather routine day, Officer Bartholme handed out a few more tickets and stopped a speeding motorcyclist who looked like something out of a "Then Came Bronson" movie and let him off with a verbal warning.

The second day started even slower. We still had seen no sign of "Duce", drunk driver, and speeders were few and far between. We had just finished making a report on a minor fender-bender accident when the radio sounded "58-406 accident, center divider, Golden State Freeway, can you respond, over." Rex answered, "Yah, we'll roll out there right now."

We arrived at the scene to find an early model green V.W. wedged under the cable in the center divider with the front windshield and blood all over the inside of the car. The driver, a male caucasian, had already been taken to Holy Cross Hospital.

Witnesses said the driver tried to make a lane change between two

cars when he hit one car, which sent him spinning into the center divider at 70 miles per hour.

On the way over to Holy Cross Hospital, the dispatcher on the radio said that drugs had been found at the scene of the accident and a witness had seen the driver throw them off to the side of the roadway.

So, what had started out as another bad accident, now became a felony drug possession case.

When we got to the Hospital, Officer Bartholme found the driver in Emergency Room One and described his injuries as "moderate", but they looked pretty bad to me. He had multiple cuts on both arms with a deep gash on his left arm. One nurse was removing particles of shattered windshield from the patient's fingers and hands, while another nurse was tending to the gash on his left arm which spurted blood down his arm and all over the floor.

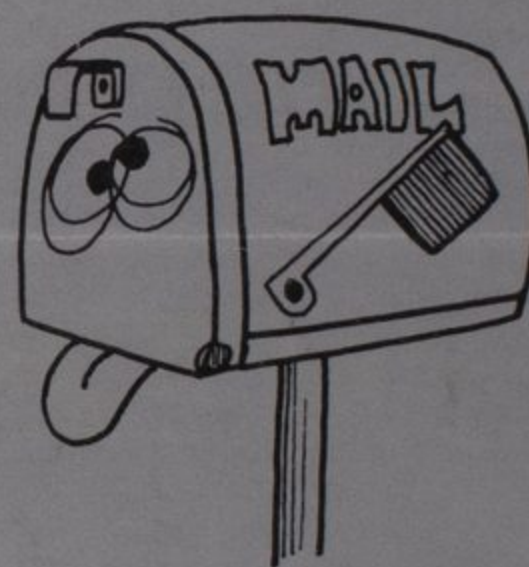
Another officer arrived moments later and showed Rex a little silver container with blood all over it. The Officer opened it, removed some cotton, and there on the bottom were about a dozen little white pills. "Bennies".

Rex went to the patrol car and returned with a little red drug testing box. He ground up a quarter of a pill and placed it in a clear packet marked "amphetamines". Rex then added a little bit of liquid, mixed them up, and the result came out "positive"; they were Bennies.

The other officer went in and showed the container to the driver, who said he'd never seen it before, and mentioned he did have "two beers". Normally, two beers wouldn't be enough power to hamper your driving, but combine them with some Bennies, and you've dramatically increased the power of the alcohol.

The driver was arrested for possession of drugs, loaded into an ambulance, and I never saw him again. Thus, ended my two day ride in a Highway Patrol car.

I would like to thank Rex Bartholme, and the entire Highway Patrol, for an experience I will not soon forget.



--Letters to the Editor--

Editors:

Concerning the recent 1974-75 approved budget: I find it hard to believe what I read in this paper concerning, especially, the differences in amounts between the boys' P.E. department and the stage-crafts and Drama appropriation. I realize that in one aspect I may be biased in the fact that I am a member of Drama, but in my opinion this budget culminates a long battle between members of the administration and the Drama department.

The boys' athletics department is receiving \$16,000 for their budget, while at the same time, stagecraft and Drama, two separate classes which work together are receiving a total of \$400.

As I have worked in Drama productions before, I find this a grossly inadequate sum, and I seriously ponder where the P.E. department spent \$16,000 in two semesters. If there is a good reason for the exceptional difference in the two departments, I request that either Mr. Rowan, Mr. Frazer, or some member of the P.E. department explain this to we, the students.

Paul Reimerol

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Alioto expresses his opinion

By Bruce McWilliams

Joe Alioto is the highly reactive, emotionally charged mayor of San Francisco. During the past few weeks he has had to contend with a city employees' strike, a controversial kidnapping, a mass murder and a disillusioned wife. Alioto has tried to handle these events in a positive way. Some have worked and some have backfired, but they have all drawn much attention to Alioto and his campaign for governor of California.

The most talked about subject with the mayor has been his handling of the Zebra case. His opponents have criticized him bitterly about the method of stopping and questioning blacks who resembled a composite picture that the police had. Many civil libertarians have suggested that this is a complete lack of respect for the Bill of Rights. He defends it as the same procedure that was used for the Zodiac killer of several years ago in which 1,000 white people were stopped. He points out that in today's case only six hundred

blacks were stopped. He has taken a lead in the Patty Hearst case. He says this is not a political move; however, it is hard to interpret it as anything else in this election year.

Alioto is a very popular mayor. He has increased minority involvement in high city jobs a hundredfold. Within the city itself, he authorized a mini-park program which, through the help of Federal Urban Beautification funds, has set up forty-seven parks on vacant lots. The city council, working with him, has set up a stringent height and bulk limit on buildings within the city. During his term of office no more freeways have been built through the city. He bases his competency for the office of governor on his past record as mayor.

Whereas William Roth, another candidate for governor, would put more teeth into the environmental boards set up by Proposition 20, Alioto has no immediate plans to change it. He believes that a

balance must be made between environmental concerns and businesses. Under no circumstances would he allow the drilling off the coast of Santa Barbara to be resumed. However, he is not against offshore drilling as a last resort.

Alioto is against Proposition 9, the campaign reform initiative. He feels that it would place too many restrictions on lobbyists. He is in favor of certain aspects of the bill and would sponsor separate legislative acts if put on his desk as governor. His campaign has the second largest amount of money backing him. (Brown the leading candidate, has the most money). When asked how many contributions he has had over \$1000, he evaded the question, but was quick to reply that his campaign has received the lowest average contributions of any of the leading candidates.

In the matter of education, he is for a decentralization of the larger school districts. He would implement the Serrano vs. Priest decision, which calls for a state-wide funding of schools. As for the matter of the Universities of California, he would strive to make it once again the finest university system in the world. To do this, Alioto would greatly decrease tuitions. This would allow for a wider percentage of the state's population to attend the schools. He would also appoint people more adept in education to the Regents of the University of California. He would make it less of a political football game by staying away from meetings.

Alioto, as can be seen by his campaign workers and methods appears to have broad middle-class support. Whether this support will carry him will be determined on June 4, the day of the Democratic primary.

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Pi-ous feat breaks record; one thousand places cited

By Jeff Greenfield
Tribune Staff Writer

Steve Munt, Senior at Taft, just set a new world's record for memorizing the number pi. The number pi as we all know it is 3.14. Steve knows pi as 3.141592653589-one thousand places!

The current world's record for knowing this number by memory is 930 places, according to the Guinness Book of World Records. Last Friday, Steve broke this record at lunch in Mr. Marek's room. So as not to lose his breath, Steve wrote pi on the blackboard. Numerous witnesses were present, including Roberta Ingraham of the Valley News and Green Sheet. Other witnesses present were: Mr. Rothfarb, Mr. Paley, Mr. Marek, Steve's ol-

der brother, and members of the Tribune Staff.

At precisely 12:30 Steve began this almost unbelievable feat. Starting with tremendous confidence, he wrote the number to 1,000 places in record time of only 15 minutes. While he was breaking the record, all were quiet in the room. Each witness had a copy of pi to 2,400 places so they could check him. Tension could be felt in the room, as all were hopeful of not only Steve breaking the record, but also that they could say that they have witnessed a world's record in the making.

At 12:45, Steve was done. While Steve was checking over his work to make sure that he wrote it right,

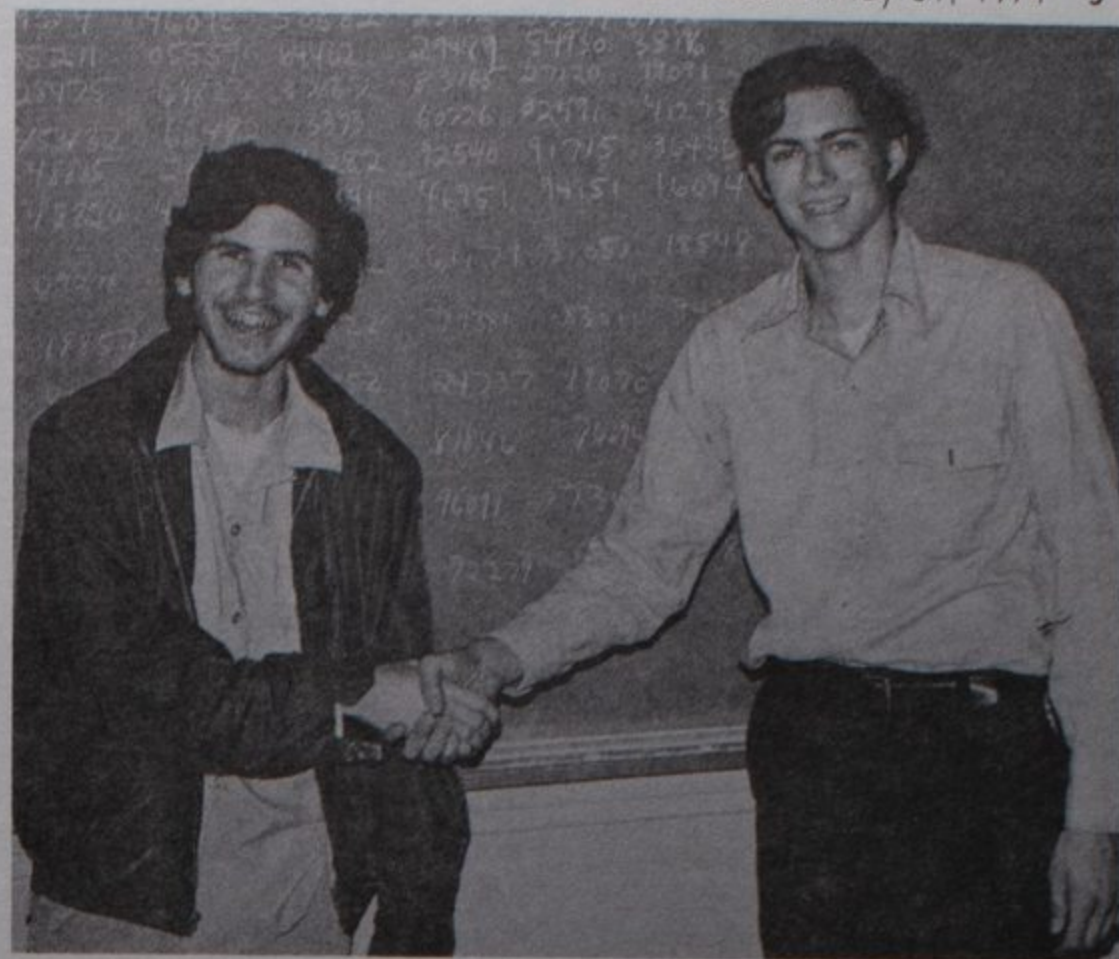
all were estatic with joy that he did it 100% correct.

As Steve was turning around towards his audience, as a signal that he was finished, applause broke the air, led by Mr. Paley. The Tribune Staff rushed up to congratulate him, and they were followed by the rest of the witnesses.

"I am glad that's over!" Steve said.

"A job well done, Steve," said Mr. Marek.

Mr. Rothfarb thought, "It is quite a feat that was just accomplished." Steve claims that this is just the beginning. He says next year he will break his own record, by knowing pi to 1,500 or 2,000 places.



Steve Munt, left, is congratulated by Jeff Greenfield after successfully writing pi, in background, to 1,000 places.
Photo by Green

Restaurant experiences embodied with excursion to Vagabond Sam's

By Steph Rider

Every so often, we get tired of eating lunch at school, so we venture off campus in search of new and exciting dining horizons.

It was on one such afternoon that Julie, her friend Maria, and I got the urge to visit Vagabond Sam's, the newly-built restaurant just across the street from school.

Considering its proximity, we walked to the restaurant, telling jokes, laughing and generally enjoying ourselves. This atmosphere of drollery followed us into the interior of Vagabond Sam's.

As we entered, we were nearly knocked down by the wave of silence that engulfed us. Besides our laughter, the only sounds were those of forks and knives clashing against dishes, and the sizzling of cooking food in the kitchen.

We were amazed, but not deterred from our path of joviality. The hostess, a thin pony-tailed woman of twenty-seven or so, approached us.

"How many?" she asked the three of us.

"Table for two, and she'll sit in

my lap," I remarked, indicating Julie, who broke up.

The hostess gave me a poke in the stomach and said, "Shhhhhh!"

I gasped for breath and Julie kept laughing. Maria started to giggle too. We followed the hostess to a booth.

I sat down at the table facing the girls, who continued to laugh until the hostess hit them with the menus. The girls quieted, and the menus fell to the acrylic surface of the floor. I waited until the hostess had gone before bending down to pick up the menus.

By all rights, we should have left then and there, but I suppose we figured that the hostess was probably having a rough day and anyway, she was only one person. So we sat there talking about the upcoming school musical and related topics. Suddenly, I noticed we seemed to be the only ones talking and mentioned this, then passed it off by saying, "Maybe they're all too scared to talk."

"Hahahahaha," said Julie. Maria just eyed me amusedly.

It was about then when the bus boy came with four glasses of water. He put three of them on the table and dumped the contents of the fourth in my lap. I sat there unbelieving, then asked, "Can I have a rag?"

"Sorry," said the busboy, "no kapeesh." I sat with the cold water running down my legs, trying to wipe unobtrusively at my pants.

It looked as if I was going to sit there until my pants dried of their own accord, and Julie and Maria were too polite to get up and leave. So we sat there, talking a little more reservedly, waiting for

the waitress.

My pants had dried by the time the waitress came to our table and she kicked me in the shins to wake me up. I blinked my eyes open and saw the moon rising in the west.

"We'll have three luncheon specials," I ordered.

"Sorry," said the waitress, "the luncheon specials can be ordered only until four o'clock."

"A.M. or P.M.?" asked Julie, who had also awakened and glanced out the window. We laughed until the waitress motioned to the busboy who came to our table with a glass of water that landed somehow in Julie's lap. She crossed her legs tightly and gritted her teeth.

The waitress came with our coffee as the first rays of the sun peeked into the restaurant. She eyed Maria and Julie disgustedly, then man in short sleeves and a rumpled tie came over to our table and said, "I'm afraid I'm going to have to ask you to leave, you youngsters are such a nuisance, always disturbing the other customers and taking up a table just to drink some coffee. It's kids like you that may cause us to put minimum charge on booth service. Now pay your check and get out."

We left a fifty-cent tip for which the waitress gave us the look that waitresses give to lousy tip-pers. I paid the check with a dollar bill and got enough change to buy a mint to share three ways.

Walking back to school, I announced, "I've come to a conclusion."

Julie and Maria eyed me expectantly.

"Nobody has fun at Vagabond Sam's."

We all laughed loudly until the manager came out and leveled his shotgun at us.

Faire recalls memories

In view of the nostalgia trend that has recently sprouted, it is interesting to note the many activities that occur, designed to bring back memories of the past. The Renaissance Pleasure Faire is one such event. Though dating back a bit far, it is still an extraordinary occasion. The shops of homemade

goods, the extravagant foods, the mimes and plays are all interwoven around an "olden days" theme. The foods consist of fallafel, fresh hunks of fruit cheerios, artichokes, combination salads, and crepes. The shops sell everything from hand-made jewelery, dolls, stained glass, puppets, clothes, etc. It is incredible to imagine the many hours spent on these crafts.

Throughout the Faire there are theatres with scenes of Shakespeare, or pantomimes continually being performed.

So remember, whenever you feel a touch sentimental, and the 50's are not nostalgic enough, just put on your favorite Renaissance costume, and trot down to the Faire.

More than 4,000 proposed new textbooks, which reflect the current social attitudes and learning theories, are now on display in the Los Angeles School District. During the next month, teacher and parents will have an opportunity to look at and evaluate the books before the State Board of Education selects several hundred for a new master-list of approved texts. The books, which are being circulated throughout the school district in large trailers, cover the following subject areas: reading and literature, language arts, foreign languages, bilingual, bicultural and ESL (English as a second language).

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Two Varsity records fall as trackmen end fine year

By Jack Kerrigan
Brian Donohue
Tribune Sports Writers

"Records are made to be broken." That old proverb held true at the City Finals last Saturday as two more of Taft's Varsity records fell.

Lindon Crow started the day out right by finishing fourth in the 120 highs with a time of 14.7, just one tenth of a second off the school record which he set at the City Semi's.

Crow was followed by an ailing Steve Bitterly who coasted to the finish line in fourth place with a 9:46 flat.

Donohue Sets New Mark

In the 880 it was Francois Wolman just beating Taft's Brian Donohue by two tenths of a second, but Brian's time, 1:52.8 was a new school record. Both Donohue and Wolman, whose heads were still spinning from that extremely fast 880, decided they had better scratch from the 440.

Another Record Falls

In one of the big surprises of the day the mile relay team of Dasbach, Domine, York and Donohue finished second with a 3:21 flat shattering the old school mark of 3:22.9 set last year.

Bee's

On a day that reached well into

the 90 degree level, Taft proved to have some of the strongest competitors ever assembled for the city final meet. With some gusty running and excellent high jumping, the B team tied for 4th place with Lincoln High in team totals.

Taft brought only three competitors, but all scored high in the standings. Starting it off was Robert Riley. With his new school record barely in the books, Robert proved he could go even higher. His best jump of the day was 6 feet 3 1/4 inches. This broke his old record of 6 feet 2 inches, set less than

a month ago. His jump was good enough for second place.

Turning to the distances, Greg Partamian made his usual fast start and took an early lead. Unfortunately this proved to be his downfall, as Greg was passed going down the stretch by 2 runners. He placed 3rd in 1:24.1.

Mark Morden, the final qualifier, played the smart race. Hanging back for more than 2 1/2 laps, Mark cut down his 1320 counterpart from Sylmar at the tape for 3rd place. His time was 3:13.7, a lifetime best.

B's nab Swim Crown; Saich sets new mark

It took a strong Varsity Freestyle Relay squad and the incentive fostered by a replica of former Laker coach Bill Van Bredakoff for Chatsworth to finally catch the front running Palisades team in front of a standing room only crowd Friday, May 17 at East Los Angeles County Swim Stadium to win the city swim crown.

Chancellor coach Gary Shair, who also coaches basketball at Chatsworth, had his hardwood enthusiasm get to him as he jumped up

and down on the bench and shouted words not likely to be heard on Sunday. This seemed to fire up his team which put Pali and Chatsworth in a tie for first place.

Taft's Bee team had taken an early lead in their meet but soon after the seventh event found themselves on the verge of being overtaken by a fierce Birmingham squad. With their backs against the wall, the Bees were able to withstand the charge of the Braves and finally clinched first in the relay.

The events which seemed to be Taft's favorites were the four hundred yard Freestyle, in which Jack Saich set a new record surpassing the old mark set in 1971. Saich's record breaking time was 4:54. In the one hundred yard Freestyle Steve Getz sailed into the number three spot clocking in at 52.8. Rick Silvera took first place in the one hundred yard backstroke in at 59.46.

Jim and Richard Loucks helped to support their Cee team cause by gaining points in the two hundred yard Freestyle and in the fifty yard Butterfly, but it was the Relay that Taft needed to win it all. A couple of missed turns and two very fast opponents separated Taft and Birmingham by less than one thousandth of a second, and buried the hopes of bringing the Cee championship to Taft.



They call him the "Big D". Brian Donohue, who may be one of the best half milers in Taft history placed second in City competition last weekend. Photo by Greenfield

V batsmen capture 2nd straight WVL title

If he's not careful, people might start calling him a dynasty builder. There's really no two ways about it for Taft Coach Ray O'Conner as in the last two years here, he has compiled a record of 27 wins and a mere four losses, plus two consecutive West Valley League base ball championships.

His second straight WVL crown was captured just one week ago with a win over cellar dwelling Reseda, to boost his club's record to twelve wins and three losses.

The win was a nice one for Taft as it was the first time in quite a while that the Toreadors could put together any sort of hitting attack, something that has held them from greatness during the past campaign.

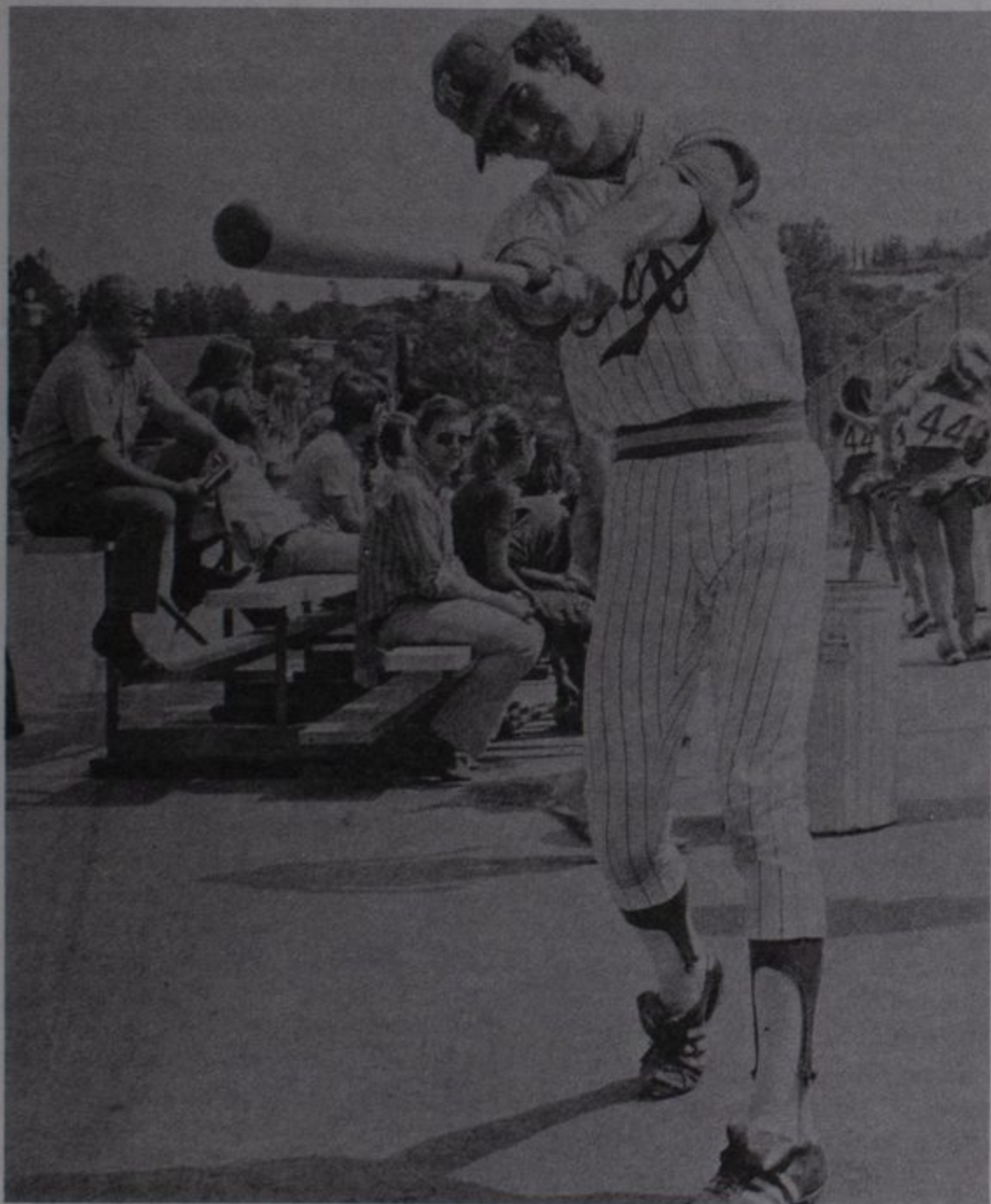
It seemed the fire had come back to the Toreador bats just in time for the City showdown. Whether

the Taft bats held their magic long enough to beat first round opponent Manual Arts was not known at presstime.

Tim Ferrin made his bat sing versus Reseda as he went three for three with a homerun, double and single. Ferrin had been in a devastating slump but the Reseda performance gave new hope to Toreador rooters everywhere.

How far the Taft club gets in the playoffs could really rely on ace David Aronow as his pitching has carried the team all year long. But lately, the Toreador infield, which had sparkled throughout most of the season has betrayed Aronow with miscues.

But taking everything into consideration, with some hitting, good defense, strong pitching and a little luck Taft could turn out to be the team to beat this year in the city playoffs



Taft baseball's only .500 hitter was Bill "Woody" Kalmenson. Bill was one-for-two. Photo by Greenfield

Rubin hurls no-no at Canoga Cleve loss ends title quest

The JV's turned out to be the West Valley League bridesmaid for the second year in a row as they closed out their year with a 15-1 shellacking of Reseda.

Scott Martin exploded with a grand-slam in only his second at bat of the year to pace the team to victory.

The team got a no-hitter from Bruce Rubin against Cleveland. A loss versus Cleveland ended the

Taft quest for the championship, leaving them in second.

At Cleveland, Taft was slapped with a 10-5 loss. Played in a park made for hitters (which Taft has few) the Toreadors were out-muscled.

Bruce Rubin, Taft's fine tenth grade pitcher, recorded a no-hitter against Canoga. Rubin faced only five over the twenty-one batter limit. Rubin got fine defense from

Tom Grimes and John Allen.

With the game all but over, the crowd was electrified in the fifth inning when Jim "Bubba" Franklin walked. He then amazed the crowd as he stole second. The fans cheered GO, GO, GO, and Jim went only to be thrown out at third on a questionable call by the ump. Well, that's the old ball game.

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