

Scholarships Awarded To Three Juniors

Three Bentley students who have been awarded the Interlochen Scholarship will attend the National Music Camp for two weeks this summer.

Sharon Hubbs, pianist, Marion Van Husen, alto, and Cliff Monteith, tenor, were chosen out of eight talented Juniors who tried out from Bentley.

The students competing sang a solo before the Choir and met in front of a selection committee afterward.

This committee interviewed them and asked questions concerning their musical background, sight reading, music theory and their future plans in music.

The committee consisted of: Mr. Robert Clark, Mrs. Ethel Kirkwood, Mr. Jerry Smith, Bob Peterson, and two previous winners of the scholarships, Gerri Cowden and Ann Epley.

The three chosen will spend their two weeks in August performing in the All State Piano and All State Choir.

Mr. Alford Convalesces

Mr. Cecil Alford, former Bentley principal, remembered and admired by many of the present student body, is home from the hospital. Mr. Alford, who is now serving the Livonia School Board as Assistant Superintendent for School Plant Planning and Research, was released Saturday, February 18, after undergoing surgery, at the University of Michigan hospital. He is now convalescing at his home and is recuperating very rapidly.

Mr. Alford was principal at Bentley for 8 years, ending his term in July, 1958.



The MUNO committee, composed of members from last year's delegation, discuss and decide on additional members. Those on the committee are, L. to R.: Ellen LaRue, Dave Emmett, Joyce Hogg, John Kaiser, Bob Fisher, and Sue Orrin.

Bentley To Be Represented At MUNO For Second Year

Aside from its numerous other chores and activities, Bentley's Student Council is hard at work selecting qualified students for possible membership in this year's Model United Nations organization — better known as M.U.N.O. These people will be required to learn the rules of procedure for the United Nations and be able to act in accordance with them before a committee of last year's M.U.N.O. representatives, which included Joy Hogg, John Kaiser, Sue Hodges, Ellen LaRue, David Emmett, and Wendy Jackman. These former members will decide what students have the potential ability to work as M.U.N.O. participants.

From the twenty to forty people chosen will come three delegations of seven members each. These groups will be given countries that are a part of the

United Nations and will work with that country's ambassadors, attaches and other representatives by phone and letter, discussing issues before the U.N. General Assembly of September 1960. Students in M.U.N.O. will be "role playing" the part of U.N. members for their countries in action, speech, and, as much as possible, dress.

Teenage participants in M.U.N.O. will be working with other high schools to form political blocks—an essential part of the United Nations — while constantly working in terms of extemporaneous speeches and debates. All in all, students in the M.U.N.O. delegations will most likely spend from one hundred and fifty to two hundred hours preparing for the M.U.N.O. conference, which takes place at the University of Detroit on April 14, 15, and 16. Trophies will be awarded to the best representatives of the Model United Nations program.

Eyes Start Record Sale

The Bentley Eyes are now in the process of selling sounds around Bentley. This record is a supplement to their first recording of the yearbook and will fit into a pocket on the back cover.

The 33 r.p.m. record includes such sounds as assemblies, discussions, concerts, and the voices of the queens and king chosen during the school year.

Since the purpose of the Bentley Eyes is to build school spirit, they felt that recording this record would help to achieve their purpose. They are also making their second all-color feature movie of Bentley's activities, to be shown June 1 and 2.

'Frolic' March 17; Spring Is Theme

The first hint of Spring around Bentley comes when the Advanced Journalism Staff sponsors the annual Spring Frolic, which will be held Friday, March 17, in the Bentley Gym, from 8:00 to 11:00 p.m. This is one of the activities sponsored by the Echo and Whisper. Other activities include the selling of green hats and Bentley booster buttons. This annual affair provides some of the revenue to continue the paper.

The highlight of the evening will be the recognition of the Spring Sweetheart and her court. These girls will be considered for their natural beauty and poise.

Anyone can nominate a girl from any grade in the school. All nominations will begin the first of March and can be placed in a box available in room 110A. From the nominations received the Advanced Journalism Staff will narrow the selection down to ten finalists. Pictures of these ten girls will then be sent to another Suburban Six High School, where the newspaper staff there will make the final choice and pick the Spring Sweetheart.

This will be the first dressy, girl-ask-boy dance of the school year. The Bentley Dance Band will provide the music for the evening's dancing. Tickets will go on sale early in March and will cost 75 cents stag and \$1.00 drag.

Working on the dance are: Shirley Wendt, ticket chairman; Barbara Neilson, Ed Smith, chairman, decorations; Sharon Codey, chairman, refreshments; Terri Schultz, chairman, publicity; Pat Loria, chairman, announcements; and John Komarynski, chairman, music.

The program will consist of many different groups, including the Senior Ensemble, the Senior Girls Ensemble, both boys and girls glee clubs, the mixed glee clubs, the Concert Choir, and the chorus.

The finale will include three combined selections.

Kaye Weaver Ill

Kaye Weaver, the busiest gal at Bentley, has slowed down—with doctor's orders. She was in the hospital since February 11, after undergoing an emergency appendectomy. Climaxing a brief illness, Kaye was rushed to St. Mary's Hospital for immediate surgery. Within a few days a certain room 527 was crowded with candy, flowers, cards, and visitors.

Vocalists Win Four Top Ratings

Bentley students acted as hosts and hostesses at the District Vocal Contest at the Wayne State University Music Building Saturday, February 11. The four Concert Choir members who represented Bentley as soloists were Geri Cowden, Ann Epley, Ann Wilson, and Cliff Monteith. Geri and Ann also sang a duet.

The singers were judged by four outstanding music directors. They were judged

not only on voice quality and beauty, but on diction, breath control, how well they could sing high and low notes, and poise. The Bentley singers, who were accompanied on the piano by Sharon Hubbs and Mary Wills, received four one ratings, the highest possible, and one two rating.

Mr. Jerry Smith, Bentley's vocal director, was in charge of the contest for the entire Southeast Michigan area.

Over 600 Attend First Career Night

What is your interest career-wise? Were you one of the over 600 students who attended Bentley's first Career Night, Tuesday, February 21? It was sponsored by the Bentley PTA, as the result of a survey of students' vocational interests, conducted by Mr. Charles Zoet, director of research and curriculum education.

There were between 50 and 60 guests, each representing a different career or vocation, including the general fields of clerical, engineering, professional, non-professional, business management, and the armed services. All ninth graders, Bentley students, and their parents were welcome to attend two or three different career clinics, held in individual class rooms. The pro-

gram was designed to familiarize the student with the opportunities open in the various fields and to explain the requirements, pay, etc. for each job. If a student was contemplating more than one career, questioning the representatives may have helped him decide which one to follow.

Five students from each of Bentley's extra curricular clubs and members of the student council acted as hosts and students in Mr. Anthony Balogh's commercial art class made the signs and posters.

Mr. Robert Marks, counselor, was in charge of the arrangements. His assistants were: Mr. William McQuestion, Mr. Arlie Fairman, and Mr. Randolph Webster.

Alumni to Hold Second Reunion

The First Annual Alumni Reunion has proven such a big success that the Alumni Association, in holding the Second Annual Alumni Reunion, is looking forward to an even bigger turnout.

The reunion may be held sometime in June, but it is not definite at this point.

This year the Reunion will be only for the class of 1951, their guests, and teachers who were at Bentley in 1951. Although there will be a dinner, as was held last year, a dance will not follow.

Echo Staff Honors Bentley Teachers

During one of our more thoughtful moods, we suddenly realize the wonderful job the teachers at Bentley are doing. It seems to us that our faculty does much more than just teach us what's necessary to pass an exam.

They seem to take an unusual interest in the students as individuals. No one at Bentley can deny that he has been treated as an intelligent adult, as long as he behaves like one!

The willingness to give extra help to anyone who desires it, is another exceptionally fine characteristic of our teaching staff. They've pulled us through many a baffling algebra problem and quite a few chemistry tests!

Most of our teachers also have a way of transforming endlessly - boring subjects into an amazingly interesting class. Quite often they use a bit of humor to spice up the discussion, but never enough to let us stray too far from the original topic.

The teachers of Bentley High School are very generous with their free time as well as their school time. Sponsors for classes and clubs of all sorts, and chaperones for dances and activities are always easy to find. Seldom will you see a member of the Bentley faculty who will shirk this kind of responsibility.

We're pretty sure most Bentley students have a secret admiration for their teachers hidden deep down inside, and that is probably right where it will stay! Maybe this article can give our unsung heroes a little encouragement.



Steve Crick and Linda Harris, A.F.S. finalists, must be well versed in many subjects. They are seen here experimenting with carbon dioxide in Mr. Farrell's chemistry class.

Two Bentley Scholars Chosen As Semi-Finalists

Steve Crick and Linda Harris, both juniors, are the semi-finalists from Bentley High School for the American Field Service Exchange Student Program this year. One or both of them may be chosen to spend their summer abroad where they would live with a foreign family.

The final selection will be made this spring by the A.F.S. office in New York.

The purpose of the A.F.S. is to create a better understanding between all the peoples of the world. From the many students who apply for the A.F.S. program, about 2,500 candidates are chosen. The A.F.S. tries to find as many foreign homes as possible that will suit the many candidates. They usually house about 1,500 of these students.

This year twenty Bentley students applied for the A.F.S. program, eleven of them were chosen. These eleven students were narrowed down to five and later to only two.

Some of the requirements set up by the A.F.S. program are: (1) the candidate must be a junior and at least 16 years of age, (2) must have studied a foreign language for two years, (3) must be a member in good standing which has an A.F.S. foreign student during the current academic year, (4) must be a United States citizen, (5) must have an excellent academic record, and (6) must be in excellent health. A candidate must also have an outgoing and pleasing personality, and a real desire and interest in a program of this type.

Bentley Students Enter Spring Speech Contest

To speak or not to speak is no longer the question! The Bentley Orators are at it again, and they will soon be in full swing with the district finals speech contest which will be held this year at Allen Park on March 24th between the Suburban Six Schools.

The contestants will choose five categories out of the twenty offered, and should be able to speak on any of them when called upon.

One hour and 15 minutes before speech time the judges will give the contestants additional time to organize the material for their speeches. Any number of books, magazines, or other

material may be brought with the students for quick research study.

Some of the selected topics to be offered are: Humorous Reading, to be delivered from memory; Original Oratory, the solution of a current problem; Declamation, the interpretation of a speech written and originally delivered by another person; Interpretive Speech, five to eight minutes of reading and explanatory remarks; and Extempore Speech.

Did Shakespeare practice this hard? Perhaps not, but he might have if he had wanted to win a Forensics contest. Judging of the Bentley contestants will take place March 13th during seventh hour in the auditorium. The finalists from this contest will then try their luck and compete in the Suburban Six District Finals.

Rydhholm Attends Reading Center

Miss Barbara Rydhholm, Bentley English teacher, has recently been selected to attend a six-week seminar at the Livonia Public Schools Reading Center.

The Reading Center offers in-service training in the area of reading to elementary and secondary teachers. Miss Rydhholm will have the opportunity to work individually with three students who are having reading difficulties.

During this six-week period, which started Monday, February 20, Miss Rydhholm's substitute will be Mrs. Metha Dickie, wife of Mr. Howard Dickie, Bentley history teacher.

Englishman Joins Gans Family

It is fairly certain that most students remember Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Gans from either Whitman or Bentley. They are now teaching physical education over in England. They are living on the Isle of Wight. Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Gans are teaching under the foreign exchange plan. Bentley High School received a letter from them a few months ago informing everyone that they were really enjoying their stay.

It is wonderful to know that they are enjoying their stay but even bigger news is that Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Gans became the proud parents of a healthy eight pound baby boy. They have named him Derek. He is now three months old and both he and his mother are doing fine.

Plans For College? Here's What To Do

Many Bentley students must be wondering what they're going to do when they've finally struggled through their last year here. Many too, must be thinking strongly of going to college. If they are, they must know how to go about it. The first thing a student should do is visit his counselor and discuss what chances he has of getting into college. It is not necessary to have all A's and B's. There are some col-

leges where grades are not considered vital.

After the student has decided which college he would like to attend, he takes the application and fills it out. He is also given three recommendation forms which he must give to any three of his teachers who know him well. After filling them out they are filed away and later used when the counselors write statements pertaining to the student's char-

acter. The counselors then attach a transcript of the student's scholastic record to the application. Then the teachers return them to the counseling office where his transcript contains the grades he has made in all his classes from the ninth to the twelfth grade as well as all his grades on special tests such as aptitude and achievement tests. Next the principal adds his comments about the student.

All this information is then sent to the college. If the student is accepted, he is usually notified that he has a preliminary acceptance and that the college is waiting for final information. It is important, though, to get the application in as early as possible. All colleges have deadlines for applications, and they are usually in the spring. But if for some reason none of the student's applications are accepted, the counselors can provide a list of colleges which have openings. These are usually smaller colleges.

For the Bentley student who has not yet decided which college he would like to attend, there are catalogs on every college in Michigan and on many outside the state in the counseling office and in the library.

Survey Shows Girls Buying More Slacks

What do you mean when you say that it's the man who wears the pants? According to a national survey, while sales are down in nearly all clothing departments, they have gone up in girl's and women's slacks. Could this mean that the women are taking over? When the question, "Who wears the pants in this house?" is asked, will the wife say, "I do?" No, this only means that women's slacks are becoming fashionable and accepted sportswear. They are just the thing to be worn around the house, to the market, and to sporting events. Bluejeans and brother's old pants are not accepted dress any longer.

Bentley High is gradually awakening to this change in fashion. This fall the girls were given permission to wear slacks to the football games. They found that the slacks kept them a lot warmer and were much easier to climb the stands in.

Then too, there is the problem of having to sit on dirty bleachers that are used as steps by the spectators above. Let's join the national trend and allow Bentley girls to wear sport clothes at sporting events.

Scholarships To Be Offered

Anyone walking through the Bentley cafeteria on Saturday morning, March 11, at 8:00 A.M., will see a large group of juniors taking the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

Any junior is eligible if he signs up in time and pays his \$1 fee. Mrs. Patricia Prescott, eleventh grade counselor, said that so far 204 students have applied, and that any juniors interested in taking the test should see their counselor immediately.

Student test handbooks were distributed in the Junior homerooms to all those students who applied. These booklets describe the N.M.S.Q.T. as a three-hour

exam consisting of five subject areas, English Usage, Mathematics Usage, Social Studies Reading, Natural Science Reading and Word Usage.

Results of this nationwide test will be reported to all schools by May 15, 1961. Each student tested will receive a profile leaflet and an Interpretive Manual explaining their own test results.

Approximately 10,000 top-scoring students will be named as semifinalists and about 25,000 students will receive Letters of Commendation. The finalists who qualify in a later test will be offered scholarships in March and April of 1962.

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Trenton Brings Defeat Swimmers Sink

Although the Tankers were easily able to drown the Belleville Tigers, they weren't able to pull through victoriously against the Trenton Trojans. Russ Walker scored 10 points in the contest against Belleville, while Charles Whiteside scored five points and set a new pool record of 4 minutes 47 seconds in the 400 yard freestyle. Another pool record was broken against Belleville, that of the 100 yard backstroke by Dick Vots with a time of 1:77.

Dick Osborn took a second and Jim Winebrenner and Gary Parker took a second and third in the 50 yard freestyle.

In the 100 yard Butterfly Breaststroke, Russ Walker took a first with a time of 1:65 and Jim Shaw came in for a second.

In the one hundred yard Breaststroke, we only took one place, that of a second by Brian Barents.

In the 100 yard freestyle Jeff Kellogg took a second and Jim Winebrenner a third. In the diving event, Ron Omar took a first and Jim McFall a third.

In the individual medley relay, Russ Walker took a first, and in the individual medley relay the tankers took a first. The team consisted of Al Paas, Brian Barents, Jim Shaw, and Dick Vots. In the 200 freestyle we also placed well with Dick Osborne taking a third, and Charles Whiteside digging in for second.

In the freestyle medley we placed first with Acker, Parker, Harbreeht, and Winebrenner.

Trenton Wins

The Trenton meet was a different story, we only took four firsts, whereas, against Belleville we took six. In the 400 yard freestyle Charles Whiteside took a second and Gary Parker took a third in 50 yard freestyle.

Walker and Shaw placed first and second respectively in the 100 yard Butterfly.

In the Backstroke Vots and Paas took a second and a third to rack up a few more points. In the 100 yard Breaststroke Brian Barents took a second as he set a new team record. Ron Omar placed first and Jim McFall second.

Chuck Galloway placed third in the individual medley relay and in the 200 yard freestyle Charles Whiteside took a second and Gerry Mundy a third. In the Medley Relay the Green and White team consisting of Vots, Barents, Walker and Kellogg came for the team with a first and a time of 1:56.1.

In the freestyle relay we took a second; the team was Osborne, Shaw, Winebrenner and Parker.



MAKING A PASS AT DENNIS? This Trenton player has eluded guard Dennis Snarey, as can be seen by the Bulldog's facial expression, to make a successful pass, but Snarey passed the ball himself — through the hoop, that is, for 18 points.

Waterston Snares Position

In basketball, the art of rebounding, or snaring more mis-aimed shots than the opposition, cannot be over-emphasized. In many contests it decides the outcome. It often means the difference between gaining the ball or giving up two points, and vice-versa.

Varsity basketball coach Robert Bentley, is well aware of this for it's the big reason that he starts forward Bob Waterston every game.

"Bob is scoring less than four points per game," Mr. Bentley explains, "but I don't know where we would be without his rebounding."

It takes size, alertness, and a trained sense of knowing the rebound angles to be a good rebounder, and Bob's training has given him a mastery of these traits.

However, there is one other advantage that he has over his opponents that is not gained from practice. This element can best be described as desire.

2,000 See Bentley Gain Top Honors In 46-45 Victory

Victory was never so sweet. Amid 2,000 desperately cheering fans, the Bentley Bulldogs gave it all they had to take a 46-45 decision over Redford Union Friday night, and tie these same Panthers for the Suburban Six League championship, thus marking the fifth straight year that the Green and White have taken the top honors.

Greg Mapes was high point man for Bentley, with 13 counters, but this would have to be regarded as a team victory. Every man made his mistakes, but each made up for his miscues by providing thrills that met the crowd's enthusiastic approval.

Visiting Redford Union led at the end of the first quarter, 11-9, mainly because of the height of sophomore center, Len LePla,

who scored seven points in that span. The Bentley fans received a real scare, seeing his ability to "dunk" the ball almost at ease during practice. But once the game was underway, he made 10-footers and an occasional freethrow; any work on his part outside of this was debatable.

The Bulldogs hit more consistently in the second period and led at halftime, 28-22. Accuracy at the foul line was a major factor in the first two periods as they sank 14 out of 15 free throws, an average seldom seen in professional games.

As the seconds ticked off, the tension and excitement mounted; the jubilant cheers by both schools could be felt through the bleachers.

Despite the premiums provided by "S & H", Dennis Snarey and John Hawkins both hitting for 11 points, the Panthers continually fought back with baskets, narrowing the gap. Finally, LePla sank his 20th on a three-point play to put RU within one point of the home squad with 2 seconds left. The Bulldogs then retained possession, and as the buzzer sounded, 11 busloads of Panther fans begrudgingly accepted Bentley as co-owner of the crown.

Bentley scorers:

Mapes	13
Snarey	11
Hawkins	11
Waterston	8
McGrath	3

Final League Standings

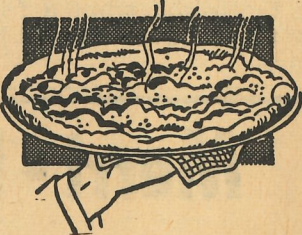
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