



Pictured: play cast for Down to Earth.

All School Play Presented

by Miss Wagner

The evening of April 17 and 18 saw the final production of the Corsica High Drama Department. The 3-act play was entitled "Down to Earth."

Included in the young cast were 9 freshmen, 2 sophomores, and 1 junior. By name they are: Barb Droppers, Steve Bamberg, Brian Stredde, Deb Arit, Carol Hubers, Kent Dockendorf, Pam Engelland, Jim Reimnitz, Steve Beukelman, Deb Kortan, Ruth De Vries, Dale Weerheim, and Mary Van Roekel.

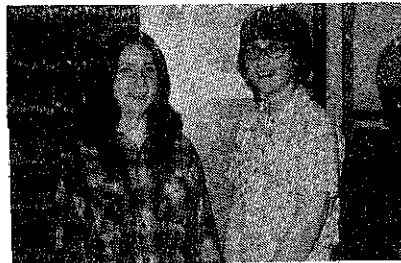
The comedy was directed by Mrs. Wisdahl and Miss Wagner with capable assistance from Student Director, Deb Eggers.

"Down to Earth" involved three angels sent down to earth with a special mission. The half angel provided many hilarious moments when he discovered he had match-making powers. The final act revealed the REAL mission of the angels. They found out that they had been after the wrong souls.

Special thanks must be given to the cast, crew, and janitorial staff for their help and hard work.

The directing staff wishes to thank the cast for the lovely roses which were presented to

them after the Wednesday night performance. It is the conclusions of the directors that this particularly young, inexperienced cast worked beyond their limits to put on a very professional production. The cast, crew, make-up, sound effects, lights, and publicity are all to be congratulated.



Left: Doris Niewenhuis and Marcia Ligtenberg.

CHS Girl Staters Selected

by Bev Zwart

Corsica's American Legion Auxiliary has chosen Doris Niewenhuis, junior, as the 1973 Girls Stater for C.H.S. Marcia Lig-

Business Students Win State Honors



Left: Nancy Scholten, Phyllis VandenHoek and Jeanne Hoekstra.

by Lois Groen

Friday, Mr. Kruse and five business students left for the State Business Contest at Washington High School in Sioux Falls.

Even though Friday fell on the 13th, it was a very good day for the students attending the contest. Phyllis Vanden Hoek placed first in Shorthand, Jeanne Hoekstra and Nancy Scholten placed second in Shorthand and Typing II respectively. Others participating in the contest were Marcia Ligtenberg and Albert Heber.

tenberg also a junior, was selected as the alternate. Candidates for Girls Stater are chosen on basis of personality, leadership, class standing, and participation in school and church activities. The Girls League session this year will be held June 3 through 9 at D.W.U. in Mitchell. The purpose of the Girls League session each year is to give girls from all over the state an opportunity to be politicians -- they learn about politics, campaign for elections, and run for offices. It is both an honor and a privilege to be chosen as Girls Stater because of the good qualities considered.

EDITORIALS

Busy Spring Months Lead To Empty Classrooms

The months of April and May are possibly the best time for high school students for many reasons. First of all, the weather is generally very refreshing after five months of peeking from behind snow drifts and wiping out on icy streets. It is at this time also, that the seniors are preparing for their future, whether it be furthering their education, working at new jobs, getting married or contemplating the life of a bum. A host of activities are offered in the months before April and May, but there is an even more enormous amount of activities in the last two months of the school year. Mrs. Wisdahl and Miss Wagner just finished a fine job of directing the spring play. The play proved that our underclassmen are very superb, competent, dependable performers. The music and science departments are earnestly preparing for the spring music concert and science fair. Besides graduation, baccalaureate, the prom, the tea, and the carnival, the spring months are also filled with track meets which are generally held on a week-day. Also considered in the realm of spring activities is farm work, which of course, has to be done. To round out, but certainly not make complete, our list of activities, we have fishing, loving, golfing around, eating, sleeping, oversleeping, cycling, and more.

What do all of these spring activities lead up to? SKIPPING SCHOOL!!! Being involved in activities--whether they be school or See EDITORIAL, p. 3

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT:

by Mr. Droppers

"YOU CAN RAISE YOUR VALUE"

A plain bar of iron is worth about \$5. This same bar of iron, when made into horseshoes, increases its value to approximately \$10.50. If the same bar of iron is made into needles, it is worth about \$5,000. If turned into balance wheels for watches, it becomes worth \$250,000.

This case is true of another kind of material: YOU.

Your value, like the value of the bar of iron, is determined by what you make of yourself.

"ACCIDENT PORTRAIT"

A statistical "portrait" of traffic accidents going back half a century strongly on the highways has become "a way of life." The Insurance Information Institute reported recently.

Over the last 50 years, said the Institute, a total of 1,793,818 persons have died in traffic accidents --600,000 the total deaths resulting from all U.S. wars since the Revolutionary War and surpasses the combined current population of Alaska, Nevada, Wyoming and North Dakota.



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not--is wonderful, but when it begins to interfere with your school work, the other students' work, and the job that the teacher is expected to do, something should be done. It is not necessary to explain how cutting classes interferes with your schoolwork, because if it hurt only those of you who skipped, there would be no need for anyone to complain. How does your skipping school interfere with the school work of the other students and the job of the teacher? Have you ever tried to teach a class of twenty-one when only eight or ten students are present? Or, have you ever tried to teach one student when twenty-three of a class of twenty-four is absent? The teachers are expected to keep these students occupied, but because of the large amount absent at times, it is impossible to cover the day's assignment, for we would have to go over the same material when the majority of the class returned. Often times tests have to be called off because of the absence of too many students. It even hurts the class if two or three are missing, for the teacher and sometimes the entire class have to wait for a student to finish his make-up work (if he ever does!)

CHS WELCOMES

MR. CHAD M. KRIETLOW

by Bev Zwart

On March 29, at Parkston Hospital at 1:21 a.m., Chad Michael became the pride and joy of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Krietlow. Mrs. Krietlow

SPORTS

by Randy Dockendorf

The CHS track team participated in four meets so far this year, those being at Winner, Bonesteel, Mitchell, and Stickney. The tracksters failed to place at Winner and Mitchell, but fared well at the Bonesteel and Raider Relays-- except that their methods of scoring was different. At Bonesteel the individuals took over for Corsica. Tom Eggers placed fifth in the 220 yard dash with a time of 24.7 seconds. Mike Buck likewise got fifth in the 880 yard run, and runner in the 2 mile run. CHS placed two men in a pair of the events. Sam Reimnitz and Mike Buck came in third and fifth, respectively, in

the 440 yard dash while Tom Eggers and Duane Vanden Hoek received first and fifth in the low hurdles.

The relays claimed honors for the Comets at the Raider Relays with three thirds and a fourth recorded. The 880 yard relay (Kent, Tom, Dick, Rus) took 1:38.4, good for fourth place. The mile relay's (Arend, Sam, Dick, Rus) time of 3:41.1, earning them third place. The sprint medley's (Kent, Dick, Rus, Sam) time of 3:55.0 brought them third. The 2 mile relay turned out to be the highlight of the day. The quartet of Mike, Arend, Rus, and Sam broke the old school record of 8:45.7 set in 1971, with the new time of 8:42.8.

CARNIVAL
PREPARATIONS
IN FULL SWING

by Laura Vanden Hoek

The carnival for the 1972-73 school year is going to be held on May 4. The freshman candidates for this year are Linda Van Genderen and Randy Olawsky, Londa Bosma and Scott Beukelman, sophomores; Ginger Schrank and Don Oakland, juniors; Shirley Rus and Curt Kredit, seniors.

There will be booths sponsored by the high school classes and also by businesses from the community.

DISPLAY FAIR
SET ON MAY 4

by Bonnie De Boer

A science and industrial arts fair is going to be held in school on May 17. Anyone in the junior or

senior high can exhibit a project. Anyone interested in a science project may use the equipment of the lab if they need it. The only condition is that you ask Mr. Brown or Mr. Kulhavy first. The students of the shop class can also exhibit the projects they have made. The exhibits will be displayed in the science room, the lab, and the eighth grade room.

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was formerly a teachers' aid for the grade school. Mr. Krietlow is a history teacher, and track and basketball coach for CHS. Many congratulations to the new parents, and cheers to Chad, the nicest new addition to our basketball and track teams that we've had since the lesser version of the Krietlow family made their home in Corsica in 1970

EVERYTHING FROM CLASS TO NEW

FRESHMEN CHOOSE CARNIVAL CANDIDATES

by Pam Engelland

Freshmen participated in the school play "Down to Earth" held on April 17 and 18 which kept them busy temporarily.

The freshman class held a class meeting Monday. Linda Van Genderen and Randy Olawsky were chosen as carnival candidates and the prize given away by the freshman class will be a blender.

JUNIORS DEVOTE TIME TO PROM

by Nancy Star

The junior class has been very busy throughout the months of April. The prom and banquet decorations have been made during study halls and free evenings. The flowers and nut cups are being completed before the decorating of the gym begins. The evenings of April 24, 25, and 26 will be spent decorating the gym. The morning of April 27 will find the juniors adding the finishing details to the gym in preparation for the long-awaited night.

Monday, April 23, the junior class elected the king and queen candidates

for the carnival. Ginger Schrank and Don Oakland were chosen for this honor. A gift certificate for \$25 will be given away as the juniors' prize.

Many of the juniors are active in all-school activities. Track, music, and drama are three of the activities in which members of the junior class have been keeping themselves busy.

Seniors Busy On Final Plans

by Renee Bye

The seniors have been raising more money for skip days. They're still working on their card sales and they held a candy sale in school on April 17. They're going to Sioux Falls for skip days. They will leave with one of the school buses at 6:30 a.m. Thursday, May 10; and will return sometime Friday evening. The chaperones will be Fred Eitemiller, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bye, and Mr. and Mrs. Ewald Sprecher.

The seniors are also making plans for the carnival to be held May 4. The royalty candidates are Shirley Rus and Curt Kredit.

With the approaching of the end of the school year, the seniors are also start-

ing graduation plans. They received their graduation announcements a couple of weeks ago and everyone was happy with them. Last week the seniors ordered their flowers to be worn graduation night. The boys will have a single pink rose and the girls will have three baby pink roses with a maroon ribbon. It was decided that each student would pay for his own flower.

The class decided to dedicate a podium to the school as a remembrance. It should be here in time for the graduation exercises.

The senior's last day of school is May 15. Baccalaureate is scheduled for May 20 and graduation is May 21. The four honor students will give speeches at graduation. They are: Jean Hoekstra, Lois Groen, Marcia Vanden Hoek, and Phyllis Vanden Hoek.

SOPHOMORES

ATTACKED BY

SPRING FEVER

by Bev Everson

The sophomores held a class meeting to choose our carnival king and queen candidates. They are Londa Bosma and Scott Beukelman. The prize to be given from our class will be a clock-radio.

Classes continue as usual although spring fever seems to be attacking everyone.

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After a fast and busy summer, the "greenies" came back to CHS as sophomores:

Corsica High School Opens the Seventies

Sophomores Off To A Fast Start

Sophomore Float, "Tiger"
Wins First Prize At Homecoming

Comets Bury Tigers

Corsica "B's" Win No. 2

Comets Rank

FNC Organized

Comets End and Enjoy Winning Season

Wrestlers Open Season

Juniors Select Waiters and Waitresses

Attend the Prom May 7!

Semesters Ahead

Hurrah! Vacation!

*REMEMBER THIS?:

Stickney High School
Stickney, South Dakota
March 9, 1970

Student Body of Corsica High School,

The student body of Stickney High School would like to thank the Corsica students for the support given the Raiders at the regional tournament. We are especially appreciative of the billboard sign along the highway.

Thanks again for all the support; it was very much appreciated. We hope to see you at the State "B".

The Student Body of
Stickney High
Darlene Dykstra, Sec.

Each year that went by at CHS showed a new sprout of talent. When the '73ers were sophomores, the seniors reigned as tradition lived on. Valerie De Vries, a senior at that time, wrote an interesting and very true poem. Its message can pertain to all, but especially to seniors as they face a future on their own.

BE YOURSELF

by Valerie De Vries

Whatever they say,
Whatever they do,
Don't let it ever
Bother you.

If you're nothing now,
Don't cry or mope.
All things can happen
And there is hope.

Don't hide yourself,
Or act so vain,
Or criticize--
They're all a pain.

Don't lie to your dad,
Or bite your brother,
Or laugh at children
Who have no mother.

Don't act so smart
What you're paid tomorrow,
Then play it dumb
When he wants to borrow.

Just be yourself
And folks will see
You're a natural person
And want to be.

Another poem that says a lot was a second poem written by Valerie De Vries and printed in the "Comet":

WHY WE SKIP SCHOOL

by Valerie De Vries

Why do we miss
And then so soon
Get back to school
And skip at noon?

It seems so fun
To miss a class
Cause we imagine
We will pass.

(WHY WE SKIP SCHOOL Cont.)

We hate to live
Behind a book,
And look at teachers
Who have that look.
That look of sadness,
And bitter dismay,
When us poor kids
Feel just that way.

Why shouldn't us kids
Feel just that way
When we're trapped
The live-long day?

We think about
The fun outside,
The sunshine, and
That horse to ride.

Our brows do sweat
Behind the pages,
'Cause we are tied
In here for ages.

Ages of agony
While he teaches
Of numbers, and letters,
And liquids, and leaches.

We study the moon
And the wind--Big Deal!
If we'd be outside,
We'd have them for real.

So this is why
We miss so soon,
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*The world would be immensely better off if people would
do nothing when they have nothing to do.

1971 led the '73ers to being upperclassmen with all the extras that come with growing up. They were a real part of the events that counted--prom decorating, extra responsibilities at carnival time, class rings, and, most important of all, learning to make decisions for themselves as individuals and as a group. There seems to be so many more things to participate and really be active in when you get to be a junior and the year was a busy one:

Classes Elect Officers

1971 Homecoming Has Many Highlights--
"Congratulations George and Peggy!"

Declam Gets Underway

Juniors Receive Class Rings

The Year of the Comet!

Comets Win Again

Music Department Forms Swing Choir

Comets Sweep Over Panthers

CHS Student Elected
Vice President of Safety Council

Student Teacher at CHS

Basketball Players Tell It Like It Is--
During Practice

Comets Ride Over Indians
In Corn Palace Prelims

Prom Plans In Progress

Comets Win Co-Championship

Drama Club to Present
"The Music Man"

'71 Prom A Success

Comets Lose By One At Tyndall Relays

Donna and Rus Selected
For Boy and Girl Stater

"Class of '72" Graduates

The CHS Safety Council
Wishes You a Safe Summer!

At last, in August of 1972, the members of the class of '73 entered CHS as seniors. They had finally reached the peak of their high school career. Now they were really a part of the high school. Instead of working hard on prom decorations for the other students, they were on top, enjoying their role at the receiving end. Excitement presented itself in many forms--all the way from just trading class pictures with classmates to saying farewell to high school days:

Lois and Rus Crowned at 1972
Homecoming Coronation

Seniors' Float Places First

Comets Hold 2-2 Record

Seniors Take Class Pictures

Seniors Keep Busy

Comets Stomp on Tripp 'Cats

ACT Test Given

"Sands of Time" Begin Again

Senior Class Attends Career Day

Government Class Travels to Pierre to
Attend Government Sessions

CHS Sweeps Honors at Safety Conference

Seniors Continue to Learn

Betty Crocker Test Given
to Senior Girls

Open Campus Begins for Seniors

CHS Welcomes Dan

Corsica Upends 'Cats

The Comet Team Takes a Mighty Stand

Seniors Continue Fund-Raising Projects
Toward Future Class Trip

Lockers: Newest Addition to CHS Halls

FNC Hosts Self-Help Films

Seniors Advance to Finish

Message to the Seniors

Graduation Announcements Arrive

Skip Days Approach

Seniors Select Shirley and Curt
for Carnival Candidates

'73 Prom Nears

Seniors Select Class Flower, Colors,
and Motto As the End Comes In Sight

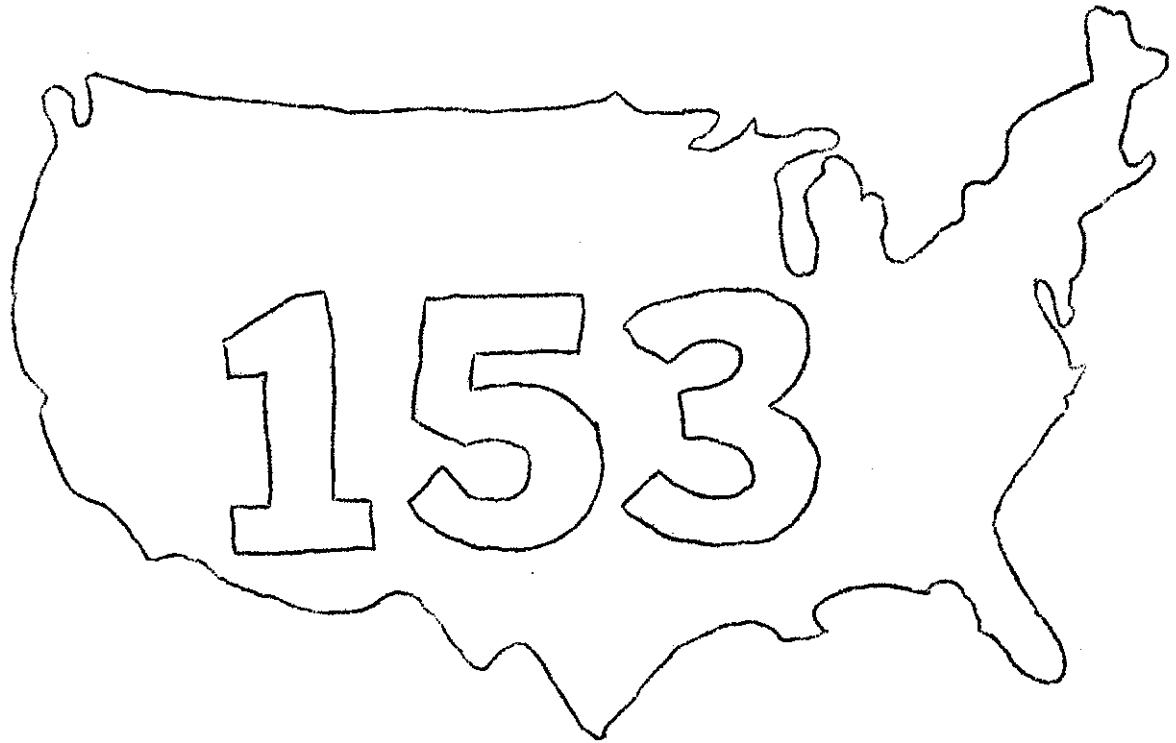
"Sioux Falls, Here We Come!"

Graduation Cited On the 21st

Class of '73 Moves On--"Good Luck!"

And so, the school year of 1972-73 comes to a close. With the closing of this old chapter of their lives, the seniors will go on to begin a new one. They will leave their childhood days behind, leave the closeness of belonging to a certain group, leave many close friends to go out as individual young men and women. They leave behind them a token of appreciation to CHS with the dedication of a podium. They will also leave a part of themselves behind as every graduating class does, whether it be material or spiritual, I'm sure all the seniors will remember CHS with pleasant memories that will last a lifetime. Congratulations Seniors, and Good Luck!

*There Will Be Funeral
Services For*



People Today

*Drivers Who Momentarily
Forgot a Few of the
Rules of Good Driving,
OR, Passengers Who Permitted
Them to Forget!*

*This is a reminder from the
Corsica Safety Council*

