

Somerset High School Breeze

VOL. VIII NO. 14

Wednesday, May 21, 1952

Ten Cents



Officers of The Somerset Chapter of The National Honor Society (as seated:)

Tommy Almy—President

Joan Douthwright—Vice-President

Barbara Lopes—Treasurer

Josephine Prato—Secretary

Mr. E. E. Kaylor—Faculty Advisor

Realizing that scholarship should be recognized, on December 5, 1776, Phi Beta Kappa was organized at William and Mary College in Virginia. Since that time other colleges and high schools have felt a similar need. Consequently in 1921, a group of educators decided that there should be in every progressive high school in the United States, some public recognition of the development of those qualities which stand not only for high scholarship, but for sound character, true initiative, and distinctive service combined with scholarship. Thus, the National Honor Society was organized. No honor conferred excels that represented by this Society. The Society represents the fundamental objectives for which schools are instituted and gives recognition to those who have attained most nearly these desired objectives.

The purpose of the Somerset High Honor Society is to create an enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership,

and to develop good character in the students. Therefore, membership is based upon scholarship, leadership, and service to the school.

Those students who receive membership in the Society are a selected group. In the past years, they have attained a high degree of scholarship, have shown a willingness to sacrifice their individual desires for the good of their school, and have shown qualities of leadership toward the highest on interests.

With respect to scholarship, the following standards must be met: Candidates must have spent at least one year at SHS and shall be members of the Junior or Senior Class. Those eligible must have received honors in three of the five terms of two consecutive years.

Many sophomores, on the basis of their work during the first two years become eligible for membership, but actual selections are made in their junior year.

These are the objectives and requirements of the Society. As you all know, the Honor Society of Somerset High is one that has attained the respect of the students, who realize the honor that has been bestowed upon its members.

At present, the members of the Society are looking forward to their annual outing; this year the members have developed a keen interest in theater-going. Mr. Kaylor, faculty advisor, is bestowed with the task of selecting a play to see.

NOTE

For anyone still interested in scholarships, the school paper at Durfee Tech is offering information. See Mr. Kaylor if you are interested.

**BREEZE STAFF**

Editor Gertrude Mendes
 Assistant Editor Frances Cadorette
 Literary Editor Estelle Cheney
 Exchange Editor Beverly Sullivan
 Sports Editor William Ginalski
 Society Editor Maeleen Murphy
 Typists—

Olive Soares
 Lorraine Banville
 Josephine Prato

Business Managers—

Carl Slade
 Joseph Sylvia

Faculty Advisor Mr. E. J. Kaylor

—EDITORIAL—

by Jean Barlow

With Summer's rapid approach, lazy days and hours of warm, illustrious sunshine, there is a tendency to forget one's worries and cares; just hop into a car (preferably a convertible) and just drive to some pleasant, cool, beautiful spot and relax. That sure is loads of fun and is oft times just what we need to pep up and fill us with that much needed vitality we lost in last week's exams. The fault does not lie in the possible negligence of one's duties however, but in the reckless, scatter-brain method of driving that most of us teen-agers employ.

Let's take a look at the facts! A terrifying high percentage of accidents involve the teenager. This certainly isn't because young people are incapable of handling a car or other motor vehicle, don't know how to drive correctly and efficiently, don't have the ability to judge distance etc. or don't possess apt reflexes. That is a far cry from the truth as it has been proven that teenagers have the quickest reflexes, best eye-sight and are

the most alert drivers on the road.

Why then do we get into so many accidents? There are several reasons. I guess the most dangerous is that ever-present mania for speed that so many young folks possess. An exceptionally slow driver is as much, if not more of a menace on the highway as a speed demon for speed is perfectly permissible and advisable in its place. Several of us do, however, over step our bounds and do not use caution in detecting where and when to speed. Failure to limit the rate of speed we go is a serious fallacy, and, of course, there are limits upon which we should never go under any circumstances.

Showing-off and staging races is as prevalent and as harrassing to the safety of ourselves and others as that of the speed element. It's so easy to throw aside all sense of duty, safety and propriety when the whole gang is jammed into the car and everyone's out for a gay old time. It sure is irritating to be stuck behind that old fogey and he's only going 40 miles per hour on a winding, twisting road. So you pass that car and the next one, and the next one until you're right out front. Now you can really put the jalopy to the test, floor her, see just what she can do. Gosh, this sure is fun, thrilling and exciting; sure it's all of that and more but the odds are against you. Don't gamble with your life and the lives of others.

When you're out riding on a gorgeous Sunday afternoon with your favorite gal or guy it seems a very opportune time for romancing but this is neither the time nor the place. It's so-ooo-ooo easy to forget what you're doing. All too often the results are devastating.

The majority of us fail to realize that they could actually get into an accident and get seriously injured or even killed. Sure we read about horrifying and atrocious accidents every day and have possibly witnessed a few, but the pitiful part of all this is human nature itself. It causes us to have that, "Oh well

nothing like that will ever happen to me", attitude; to put undesirable thoughts and incidents remote from our minds. Try not to let human nature get the best of you. Admit and realize that, "this could happen to you."

Klub Kapers

Now that school is almost at an end every organization seems to be planning some type of outing.

The Shorthand Club is off on a spree again planning a Theatre Party whenever "The Greatest Show on Earth" comes to Fall River. They have also planned to have a beach party at Nickerson's Beach in Cape Cod sometime in June. The girl's won't have to worry about drowning since Miss Mason has informed me that there are several life-guards around just to insure their safety. (I can see it now—if the life-guards are good looking all the girls will be trying to drown themselves.

The members of the Round Table are going to Boston to see the Cleveland Indians and the Boston Red Sox play on June 4. With Mr. Kineavy being such an ardent baseball fan, I know they'll all have a wonderful time.

The Librarians have been having meetings recently to decide upon their outing and a committee has been appointed to help in the final decision. A theatre party seems to be in the favor of all, but as of yet no actual plans have been made.

The Tri-Hi-Y has picked new members and they are Marie Rogers, Eleanor Cabral, Mary O'Toole, Marilyn Matthews, Joan Archard, Joan Boyle, Barbara Boyle, Ann Weeden, Joanne Hadalski, Ann Fitzsimmons, and Margie Dube. They will be inducted on May 22. New officers for the coming year will also be selected on this date. A beach party is in store for the club members on May 29. Let's hope they have a warm day.

That's all for now kids. See ya next June.

Prom Couples

Claudette Landry and Norman Jolivet
 Jean Barlow and Donald Simon
 Trudy Mendes and Bob Daley
 Estelle Cheney and Dana Hall
 Judy Singleton and Rene Bouchard
 Frances Cadorette and George Lee
 Laura Saraiva and Arnold Chace
 Joan Vargas and Donald Waring
 Phylis Moriarty and Richard Bence
 Josephine Prato and Jack Balaguer
 Pat Chorlton and Richard LaSalle
 Lorraine Wamboldt and Jimmy Cambra
 Ruth Chorlton and Billy Burgess
 Ruth Oldham and Earle Manchester
 Grace Eisenhardt and Lenny Agan
 Louise Dagher and Al Sabbag
June Kadlec and James Balaguer
Marie Rogers and Teddy Golitz
Audrey Slade and William Howarth
 Claudette Levesque and Robert Porter
 Kathleen Collins and William Ginalski
 Marilyn Masse and Jerry Doucette
 Shirley Goss and Moses Raposa
 Emily Haynes and James Sherman
 Jacqueline Benevides-William Anderson
 Stacia Gateriewictz - Ronald Panara
 Madeline Levesque and Gerald Bachand
 Eileen Beleski and Jerry DeCosta
 Evelyn Harrison and David Cucinotta
 Irene Valley and Emery Vaughn
 Evelyn Hathaway and William Buckley
 Elsbeth Chace and Alvin Grieves
 Janet Weeden and William Southworth
 Sonja Sonion and Harry Bloom
 Joan Boyle and Nick Mazoni
 Kay Goss and Jan Kaminski
 Joe Silvia and Ann Bergeron
 Mr. and Mrs. Franklyn Lorry
 Judy Manchester and Joe Rogers
 Beverly Santos and Al Lavault
 Ruth Leonard and Teddy Morgan
 Jane Wimpenny and George Ellis
 Rhoda Gordan and George Jones
Jeannine Pelletier and Paul Ginalski
 Olive Soares and Horace Oliveira

So far, there are forty five couples attending our Prom. If we forget anyone, tell someone on the Breeze staff so that we can publish it in the next issue and get our record up to count.

The Last Slam

By Mary O'Toole

The front door of the white cottage, numbered 63 on Blossom Road, slammed shut causing the annoying rattle of window panes and the unnecessary shaking of the walls. The woman of the house, middle-aged, gentle and sweet is busily preparing supper.

"Mother! Mom! Is anyone home? Oh, here you are. I have the most wonderful news. Mike Hart, the handsome first baseman for Jacksonville, has asked me to go to the "Batter's Ball" Saturday night".

"That's nice, dear".

SLAM—"Hey, Mom! When do we eat? I'm starved. What a game we had today! In the 8th inning, with the score tied, "Patches" hit a homer and drove Pee Wee and Hot Shot home! Wow! The final score was 7-4."

"You'd better slow down, Georgie, or your tongue will look like shredded wheat."

"What's the matter with you, Sis. You look like you're walking in your sleep."

"Never mind your sister, George. She is just happy because she has a date with Michael Hart."

"That squirt! He couldn't hit the side of a barn door."

In tears, Pamela yells out, "Mom, make him stop teasing me."

"George Burke, hang your clothes up and stop teasing your sister."

SLAM—"That door again! When will you ever learn to close it sof—oh, hello, dear. You're home early tonight."

"Yes, I couldn't wait to get home to peace and quiet." (CRASH) "George, put that bat away in the cellar."

"Hi Pop! What a game we had today! In the 8th inn - - -"

"Hello, Daddy, dear".

"You must be looking for something special. What is it."

"Daddy, could I have a new dress for a very special occasion?"

"Sorry, Pam, but you know how low the funds are this week."

"But Dad! I simply have to get a dreamy dress. You don't want your daughter looking like Raggedy Ann, do you?"

"Pam, you have loads of pretty dresses. I'm sure it wouldn't hurt to wear one of them."

"Tom, I think we can manage if Pam goes downtown and gets some material. I'll make her a lovely dress."

"Oh, Mom, you're a peach."

During the night Pamela was restless but she finally dosed off, dreaming of Mike and her dress that would be blue to match her eyes.

The following day, which was Friday, was a busy one as far as the Burkes were concerned. The busy hum of Mrs. Burke's sewing machine could be heard all day long, except when she stopped to answer the phone and to eat her lunch. By 4:30 the dress was finished except for the hem. Pam was ready to sail to the moon because she was so excited.

At 7:00 Saturday night Pamela, gay, charming, and anxious, walks back and forth in front of the mirror. Thoughts pass through her mind. "I'll simply die if he doesn't like my dress. Dad liked it and he's particular, of course; Georgie is indifferent but he said it was okay and Mom, good old Mom, worked so hard to make me look pretty."

Ding, dong. "Georgie, answer the door and no funny stuff".

"Okay!"

Then opening the door he pours forth with the greeting—"Hi Hambone. Come on in. My sister is upstairs applying grease paint to her funny face. Guess she's trying to hide the freckles. What do you see in her anyhow? Hey, do you like Johnny Pesky? Did you hear about our game the day before yesterday? In the 8th inn - - -"

"Hello, Mike".

"Hi, are you all ready?"

After bidding farewell, Mom plunks herself in a chair nearby. "Thank goodness, she's off."

Dad lights his pipe and picks up the paper. "I hope he liked her dress. She worried about it enough."

Georgie stands by silently, shaking his head and trying to figure out why boys like girls.

Just as the door slammed shut, Mike says, "Gee, you look awfully cute tonight and your dress is really pretty."

"Oh, do you really like it Mike. It's really nothing, just something I never got around to wearing."

Mr. and Mrs. Burke just stared silently at each other, probably thinking that girls will be girls. Georgie voiced his opinion. "You should have had another boy like me. See you later." SLAM.

Regardless of incidents like this, Mrs. Burke would never part with Pamela or George. Yes, they are the light of the happy Burke household. After all, what would she do with herself if there were no children like hers to fuss over?

Under The Stars With Snoopy - - -

Hi kids! Long time no see, - - - but, I have lots to say. You'll never guess who I saw together Saturday night at Newport! Well, it was Ginny and Charlie. Is that romance reviving again? Speak up, someone! Couples at the last dance were: Claudette and Norm, Janet and Billy, Irene and Red, Jo Prato and Jack Balaguer and Frannie and Drizzle Puss II. Driz will hate me for this!! Barbara Borges is going steady with a certain guy named "Gil" from Bristol Aggies. What has happened to Bob, Barbara? Emily Haynes is Somerset High's Statue of Liberty by carrying the torch for Jimmy Sherman. If anyone wants to know when the Sacred Heart Academy Prom is, just ask Finegan all about it! He'll be there with Mary Lou. "Undecided now"—that's Ruthie Leonard's worry about Ducky and Teddy Morgan. However, she has Terry for that all important June 13. Grace and Lenny were seen at Roseland recently. Gerry Doucette can be seen outside of the type

room every fourth period. Could Marilyn Masse have anything to do with it???? Joan Douthwright has her eye on Eddie Sullivan. Prom time is coming up Joan. Need I say more??? And what about you Maeleen? That hint that was just given to Joan can certainly apply to you too, you know! Earle is quite depressed lately. Maybe it's because Ruthie has the measles. By the way, they're contagious. Ginny DeFarias has an admirer named Charlie. They can be seen together on weekends. Dutch Waring and Joan Vargas can be seen together anytime. Flash!! Who is this girl that John Ashcroft is planning to take to the Somerset Prom??

Marie Rogers and Joan Crawford have found that Somerset isn't the only source for dates. Right now, Durfee is the main attraction. Marie is doing fine with Teddy Goltz, but Joan Crawford is undecided. She's been out with Larry Donnelly and Ronny Golz a couple of times and still she doesn't know whom she prefers. One of those once in a lifetime triangles, huh Joan? For some Somerset girls, the Dighton Track Meet and the dance after, was a whaling success. Could the reason be because of the handsome Dighton males. Poor Barbara Traynor! She was all set for the dance after the meet, but when she fell and hurt herself in the relay, she was all patched up for the evening. (And I do mean patched). Beth Chase seems to be doing fine with her latest, Alvin Grieves. What attracts the Somerset Junor girls to the "Y" on Saturday nights? Must be the scenery! What a coincidence that Helen Sullivan and Jimmy Collins both got Poison Ivy at the same time. I wonder who gave it to who.

Jane Parrott has been writing to Art Loughlin of Newport. Have we got a new romance here? Theresa Botelho has quite a crush on Alfred Dean of Durfee. Brenda Douthwright is going to the Dighton Prom with Mason Gray. During a Biology class, Mr. Wright asked one of his bright pupils: "What ears were

used for". Some bright intellect popped out with, "To hold your glasses on!" Clever! Clever! Elaine Rosenthal is planning to attend the Central Falls Senior Prom with Evan Brown.

Has everyone noticed the ring that Pat Chorlton is wearing? It belongs to Richard LaSalle. Besides the Somerset Prom, he has invited her to his Coyle Prom. Four frosh girls have been asked to the Prom. Lucky kids! Carol Cucinotta attended the Rainbow Formal with Richard Rounds from Durfee. Peter Cobry invited Jo Marino to Harmony Highlights last Friday night. After the Freshmen Dance, Peter Cobry, Jo Marino, Billy Moore, and Kathy Corcoran went to Creamrich. Ronnie Panara escorted Stacia home from "Moonlight Magic". Who is the mysterious Mister Y that was seen with Arlyn Borden at the dance? Eleanor Martin was asked to the Coyle Prom by George Crombie. That's all for now, folks!!

Seniors Alias "Divine Power"

If any of you students notice a change in the usual school methods, don't be surprised, the seniors are about ready to leave and before they do—LOOK OUT!!!

Here is a list of privileges open to all members of the class of "52":

1. Seniors may stay home from school whenever they feel like it.
2. Seniors may send the teacher to the office and take over class.
3. Seniors may stop the teacher from speaking at any time in order to have their own lil' social period.
5. Seniors may bring pets into class from goats to mice. They may be alive or otherwise.
6. Seniors may hand out conferences to anyone they please.
7. Seniors may adjourn to the lab for water fights whenever they feel it to be essential.

8. Music will be playing in the gym at all times for senior who are in the mood for dancing.

9. Mr. Kilgrew will be on hand to transport seniors to the beach.

10. Room phones will be for seniors use only so that they may get in touch with their friends to make and accept dates.

11. Miss Worton will begin making punch and cookies at eight in the morning until four in the afternoon in case hunger attacks our seniors.

12. Seniors may stand teachers on desk in order to smirk at them whenever they so desire.

13. Seniors may force Miss Green to walk upstairs backwards if they catch her coming down the wrong stairs.

14. Seniors will be served southern fried chicken and the underclassmen will eat bones and gravy.

15. Seniors may call Mary O'Toole to tell them a period of jokes and Jean Barlow to make funny faces.

16. Seniors may chew bubble gum and blow bubbles during assemblies.

17. Seniors are not required to wear shoes during June.

18. Seniors may sing whenever the teachers say anything unpleasant.

The Smartest Men Of The Year

Five Senior boys: Ronnie Panara, Tony Almeida, Sophie Rogers, Tommy Thwaite, and Jerry Decosta, like so many American boys, joined Uncle Sam's Air Force. Last Wednesday all five of them went to Boston for their physicals and from the grapevine, we heard they all did very well. They expect to be called soon after graduation.

Jerry Doucette, who is a Naval Reserve, expects to be called for active duty either before or just after graduation.

Good luck, Kids!!!!

Question Of The Week

Do you think a sexagenarian should be locked up?

Jean Barlow—It sure should. It just wouldn't look right to have something like that running around our fair town.

Ann Harrington—Yes, I think so! Who would want to meet one of those on the street.

Mary O'Toole—Definitely not! They're nifty company.

Mary Murphy—Yes, the sound of it is enough.

Barbara Lopes—Yes! It sounds nuts to me.

Judy Singleton—Oooooooooo yes! By all means! The sound of it is enough for me!

Marilyn Matthews—No, because what you don't know won't hurt ya!

Joan Archard—Sounds like somebody she knows.

Joan Boyle—Yes, It doesn't sound so good.

Barbara Gough—Doesn't make any difference to me. I keep away from them.

Mr. Wright—Depends on whether it's violent or not.

Bill Hutchinson—Yes! Can't have anything like that roaming around loose.

Jimmy Sherman—Nah! They're harmless!

This just goes to show that many students are stumped when faced with a word of more than five letters. But don't get alarmed, please. A sexagenarian is a person from 60 to 69 years old. Just think, maybe you have one in your house!!!!

Somerset Wins Track Trophy

As the fifth annual Narry meet ended there was much doubt as to the winner. Somerset's mighty track team coached

by Coach Simpson and Coach Luti had won the meet by $\frac{3}{4}$ of a point. Thus ended the four year Dighton track domination.

Billy (Sweet William) Burgess was the high man for mighty Somerset with $10\frac{1}{4}$ points. Johnny Lockett and Dick Bence were next with 4. Other scoring was done by: Jack Balaguer, second in the shotput with 3 points; Brenden Hayden, $\frac{1}{4}$ point and Tommy O'Connell, 2 points on the running high jump. Russ (Rusty) Cadorette obtained a total of $2\frac{1}{4}$ points in the running high jump and the 880 yard run.

The Somerset girls, coached by Miss Worton, did a splendid job at the meet also, but unfortunately they were defeated by an even greater power from Case.

We want to especially congratulate Stretch (Nancy) Douthwright for winning the high-jump with a marvelous 4'7" record.

A Sad, Sad Story

Young Jack and his lady love
Went out to spend the day.
How lovingly he held her hand
While long hours passed away!

And when the joyful day was done,
With faces homeward bound,
Young Jack and his lady love
Drove back o'er fateful ground.

The moon was bright; the road was
clear;
The car flew like a bird.
He whispered something in her ear—
The rest remained unheard,

For as the moon went 'neath a cloud,
The curve he did not see;
So Jackie and his lady love
Are in eternity.

Anonymous

Schedule Of Coming Events

May 20—Diman—Home
 May 23—Holy Family—away
 May 26—Case—away
 May 29—Tri-Hi-Y Beach Party
 June 3—Dighton—away
 June 6—Dartmouth—away
 June 10—Westport—home
 June 11—Senior Banquet at Viking
 Hotel in Newport
 June 13—Junior-Senior Prom
 June 18—Graduation
 June 20—Final Assembly

Stupids Awake!!!

Better start saving your pennies
 today,
 Because June 13th is not far away.
 And why should you remember this
 date?
 Because it's the Junior Prom and it's
 bound to be great.
 Music by Charlie Perry is just divine,
 And we'll guarantee a wonderful time.
 Maybe you attended last year's ball,
 But this one is going to top them all.
 So come on fellows, give her a break,
 And ask her now before its too late.

Harmony Highlights

The music groups of the Junior and Senior High Schools, under the direction of Mr. Gayzagian, presented "Harmony Highlights", on Friday night, May 16th.

Features of the evening were soloists Bill Ginalski, Harilee Archambault, Josephine Prato, Lucyanne Sawyer, and the Barbershop Quartet. The price of admission was 50 cents, and everyone agreed it was really worth much more.

Proceeds of the affair will be used to buy robes for the Special Glee Club, jackets for the band, and some larger instruments for the band.

B. U. Announcement

Boston University announces the establishment of the Boston University Junior College, which will offer the following program:

1. General Business
2. Communication Arts
3. Industrial Technology
4. General Education

Students who do not meet the admission requirements of their four year colleges may be admitted to the Junior College and may choose any one of the four programs listed above. The Junior College may be terminal with an Associate in Arts Degree, but those students who prove they are capable of doing senior college work will earn transfer into the sophomore year of the College of General Education. Continuation of acceptable work there will merit transfer to the other schools and colleges of the University and lead to a Bachelor's Degree.

This Division is a wonderful opportunity for all students who are interested in a Liberal Arts Education, but whose school marks aren't acceptable for a Senior College. It has been proved that a poor secondary school record does not always mean a lack of academic ability. This inability in high school may be due to—too many extracurricular activities, too much outside work, too little objective—any one or all of which label them on the record as poor risks for college work.

Of course, if this plan interests you, you know who to see—Mr. Kaylor.

The average person rarely suffers from labor pains caused by giving birth to a new idea.

Most of us are so busy seeking the things we have not that we have no time to enjoy what we have.