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NO MAY DAZE

FACULTY TO BLAME

Staff Writer

The annual May Daze activities tournament will not be held this year as the result of a decision made by American High teachers and administrators in early April. It was argued

that May Daze would disrupt classroom attendance.

The Liaison committee discussed the issue throughout the school year. According to the head of the committee, science teacher Ms. Jeannie

Thomson, too many problems were encountered with May Daze in previous years. "It was participated in by very few students, while those not involved often cut classes and went off campus," she said.

Ms. Thomson said that the entire faculty voted on the issue, but that stu-

dents were not represented in the voting. She explained that, "It was not their decision to make. It was an administrative decision."

Students, however, were allowed to give input. ASB had presented a proposal to reduce May Daze from one week to three days. Activities

would be held during lunch for the first two days and a rally held on the third.

Although the ASB proposal was rejected this year, Ms. Thomson said it was a good plan. She suggested that students submit it again next year if they want May Daze back in the future.

ROTUNDA CLOSED

By Cristina Franey

Last week, a plan was approved that would effectively restrict use of the Rotunda. The plan is designed to reduce noise.

Starting May 6th, the Rotunda may only be used for quiet study during periods 2, 3, 4, and 5. Students without classes during those periods may stay in Student Commons or study in the Rotunda quietly. Teachers will patrol

the Rotunda and anyone found loitering will be sent to ICU.

Early in April, the Liaison Committee set forth a proposal to close the Rotunda during classes.

The Rotunda Proposal was brought on by complaints by the teachers and others who have to work in the Rotunda. The main reason for this proposal is to keep students from cutting classes and to cut

down on the noise level. According to many complaints, the main area of concern is 5th period when most of the noise is produced.

Another meeting was held on April 11. Students and teachers gathered in an open forum to discuss the problem at hand and propose different solutions. Many complaints were aired and debates on certain issues occurred.

The new rotunda policy seems to be a compromise between the Liaison committee and the students.



Photo By Scott Horton

SENIORS CAP for \$31,118!

By Carlin Dare

American High will receive \$31,118 in state funds due to the high scores made by the seniors on the California Assessment Program (CAP) test.

The CAP is conducted by the state each year to measure the performance of high school seniors. The test has sections on reading, writing, spelling, and math. If seniors in a particular school score above what is expect-

ed of them by the state, the school becomes eligible for state money. AHS excelled in all four sections. Principal Joe Tranchina said that there has been no master plan developed for using the money. Mr. Tranchina and other administrators were not surprised that the seniors had done so well. As Assistant Principal Paul Bonnacorsi put it, "The state has officially recognized what we've known all along!"

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences

By Michelle Schaeffer

On April 25 & 26th the students at American High School had an extended weekend due to Parent-Teacher Conferences. The Conference was held in the 300 wing from 1:00 until 8:30 on Thursday and 8:00 to 12:00 on Friday.

These conferences were held to allow both the parents and the teachers the time to get to know one a-

nother and talk about their student's academic progress. The counselors were also on hand if the parent or student needed to talk with them concerning their course of study.

The conferences were limited to the 300 wing coves. In the coves, where the teachers met with the parents, they were set up in sections; Science, P.E., Math,

and many other classes.

The student's report cards were distributed at the conferences. The only way a student could obtain his report card was to have one of his parents pick it up for him.

Aproximately 1000 parents attended the third quarter conferences. This shows a high amount of parent interest.

VIEWPOINT

WHY DIE?

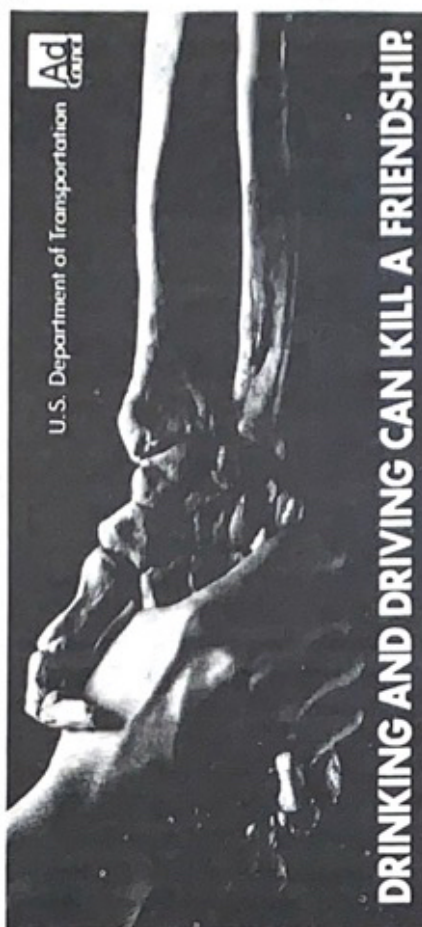
By Lisa Sturges Asst. Viewpoint Editor

Situation: you're at a party drinking with your friends and suddenly remember to check the time. You see that you have exactly 10 minutes to get home before your parents ground you for a month and keep you from going to that concert next Saturday night. You've been drinking for a while and you're pretty buzzed but you've had these concert tickets for 3 months and would absolutely die if you missed it. Question: Do you try to drive home in your condition? Before you answer, consider this fact: In the past decade, over one quarter of a million people have lost their lives in alcohol-related auto accidents. That is an estimated 25,000 fatalities, plus over 700,000 injuries each year. Have you decided yet? If not, think about this; drunk driving is the #1 killer of young adults between the ages of 16 and 21. I hope your answer is no.

With the end of the school year approaching, parties for every reason possible will be everywhere, and chances are that you or a friend of yours will be faced with a situation something like the one above. I'm urging you not to take the chance. If you've been drinking, do not even attempt to get behind the wheel of a car. Call someone, a friend, a taxi even your parents. You would be surprised how glad your parents would be that you called them instead of trying to drive home drunk. If a friend is going to try to drive intoxicated, stop them immediately. Take their keys, find them other transportation or take them home yourself. Do anything you have to. They may get mad at you, but which would you rather have, a mad friend, or a dead one!

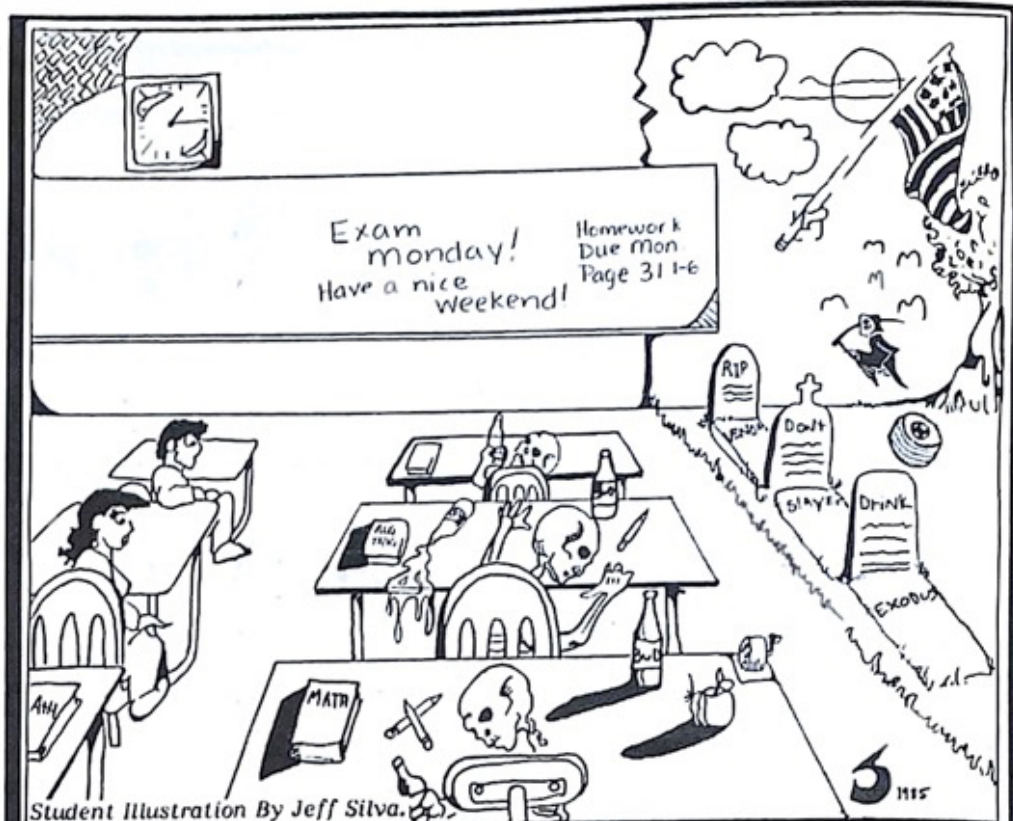
If anyone is interested in starting our own SADD chapter at American High, please, send me a note c/o the American Express. We will need a faculty advisor and lots of student support to make it work.

Even without joining groups we can fight drunk driving. The easiest way is just remember and practice these words: If you're going to drink, DO NOT DRIVE!!!



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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I would like to take this opportunity to comment on Mr. Mahdavi's article on grades and sports.

I fully support a stronger criteria for participation in the athletic program. It is a long time coming. The best point Mr. Mahdavi made was having a counselor for the athletes. These students are very important to the school but most of all to themselves. Sometimes the coaches, teachers and athletes forget why they are in school. Students should not take easy classes in order to participate in their individual sport and maintain a good grade point average. A counselor would help steer them in the right direction athletically and scholastically.

One last thought, the school newspaper is great and I hope it continues for many more years.

Sincerely,
Pat Lanthier

Dear Editor,

I do not believe that the rotunda should be closed for any reason. American High's unique atmosphere is what sets us apart from every other school. Closing the rotunda would rob us of this environment that students from many other schools envy. Closing the rotunda will not solve cutting like teachers seem to think it will. Students will just find other places to cut if they really want to.

KEEP IT OPEN

The Man From Hannibal was here



Coach Creed as the Man from Hannibal, Mark Twain. His production Friday, April 26 at 7:30 raised about \$500.00 for the American High Track Team and the Fine Arts Department. This show filled with satire, comedy, music, and singing was enjoyed by all.

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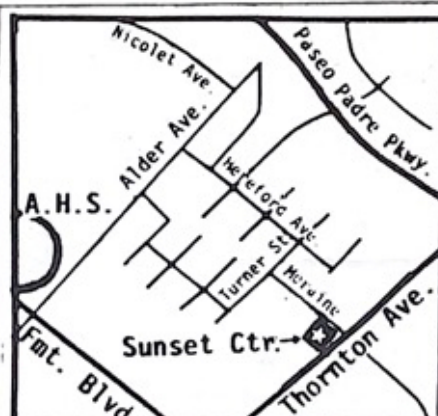
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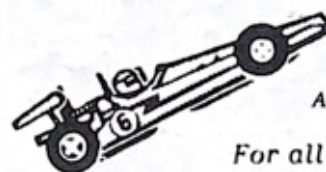
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VIEWPOINT/FEATURE

THE PRESSURE IS ON YOU!

By Jenni Macias

The effects are everywhere, and are as common a problem as drugs or drunk driving. It's Peer Pressure and the depth of it is somewhat greater than anyone can imagine.

Peer pressure is unavoidable because it is everywhere. Every day we're all forced to make some kind of decision. Our friends or peers, whether we recognize it or not, do affect our decision making process. Sometimes the pressure is so great our friends end up making our decisions for us. To know ourselves is the best possible solution. But it doesn't always make the decision making process any easier.

Friends that we've grown up with all of our lives do have an effect on our val-

ues and can change our behavior. We seem to be dealing with our own thoughts, but when doubt arises we always turn to our friends for advice. Even personal decisions, such as should I drink or smoke, or even, who should I go to the prom with, are decisions that others make for us.

All decisions can have a serious effect on our lives. Pressure from parents can have a big effect on teens. Since some teenagers search for their own way out, total withdrawal or suicide can be the result of peer pressure. Parents and friends often do not

realize the pressure they put on us. We are lead in so many directions we begin to wonder if we have a mind or life of our own. Then, again, the need to fit in comes into play. If drugs or drinking are related to belonging to a group, the bottom line could be serious damage to one's mental health.

Of course all pressures aren't as serious and go unnoticed. So next time when you ask your friends for advice think about whether your making your own decisions. Remember you have a mind of your own USE IT!



CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTER IS THERE FOR YOU

By Rita DaSilva and Craig Hintzman

The Crisis Pregnancy Center is a volunteer group ready to listen and help those who need guidance and support through pregnancy.

The Crisis Pregnancy Center, which was established in June 1981, is located in the Union Square Mall in Union City. The Center is directed by Nancy Newman and Linda Bertolani.

Their main objective is to provide

alternatives to abortion and give information on the physical and psychological effects that it may cause.

The Center encourages a woman to give the baby a chance to live as an alternative to abortion. If the woman cannot keep the baby herself, she is encouraged to put the baby up for adoption. The Center also gives referrals to clinics and provides shelter and baby clothing.

In counseling, they discuss ways to continue a job or school. Planning the future for both the woman and the baby, and support in prenatal and postnatal care are also included in counseling.

The Center will keep everything confidential, however they do suggest informing the parents. They also provide

counseling for the father of the child as well.

The Crisis Pregnancy Center is anti-abortion. They provide information on abortion, but suggest that the mother keep the baby or put it up for adoption. In the end it is the mother's decision. They are ready to help anyone who may need their assistance.

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ALCOHOL/DRUG SURVEY



SENIOR GUYS AND COKE

Cocaine is a sad story at American High. Forty-four percent of the senior males have used or at least tried cocaine. This is one of the highest percentages The American Express received for any individual question. If you don't know by now, cocaine is illegal and a very dangerous drug. Surprisingly enough thirty one of the ninety-eight sophomore girls polled have used or use cocaine, this calculates to thirty-seven percent. The twelfth grade girls were not far behind the underclassmen, with a percentage of thirty-one. The usage of co-

caine is not terribly popular among American High School's students, but it's at a scary, hopefully decreasing percentage. The last bit of advice The American Express can provide is "Be careful!"

LOW USE IS GOOD NEWS

Good news! The percentage of students who use hard drugs is considerably low. When asked, "Do you, or have you, ever used any 'hard' drugs?" Students responded surprisingly positively. The Freshmen's use of "hard" drugs is very, very low. Only eighteen males out of one hundred and forty have ever used or use drugs. As the ages and grades increased, the percentages became higher. The highest percentage was that of the senior males. Thirty-four percent of the twelfth grade males have taken or take "hard" drugs. The tenth and eleventh graders' percentages of usage were average compared to the senior males. Everyone should be glad to know that "hard" drugs are not very popular among American High students.

By Anne Mallon
and Julie Lanthier

On Friday, April 19, a survey was distributed in all Second Period classes. All students were requested to answer 9 questions regarding their alcohol and drug habits.

922 questionnaires were collected, totaling nearly 70% of the student body. The results of all of the surveys are broken down into 8 groups by grade and sex.

Alcohol Use

How old were you when you took your first drink?

AVERAGE AGE (IN YEARS)		
	MALES	FEMALES
9	12	13
10	13	13
11	12	13
12	13	14

NEVER DRINK (PERCENT)		
	MALES	FEMALES
9	22%	15%
10	17%	11%
11	14%	12%
12	7%	12%

Under what circumstances do you drink most?

MOST POPULAR ANSWER		
	MALES	FEMALES
9	Not at all w/ friends	
10	w/ friends w/ friends	
11	w/ friends w/ friends	
12	w/ friends w/ friends	

When do you drink most?

MOST POPULAR ANSWER		
	MALES	FEMALES
9	Not at all	Special occasions
10	Special occasions	Special occasions
11	Weekends	Weekends
12	Weekends	Special occasions

Have you ever car while intoxicated?

YES/NO/PERCENT		
	MALES	FEMALES
9	6/124/4%	
10	22/87/20%	
11	45/73/38%	
12	53/41/56%	

Drug Use

Have you ever tried marijuana?

YES/NO/PERCENT		
	MALES	FEMALES
9	78/62/57%	
10	62/47/57%	
11	73/45/62%	
12	61/33/65%	

Do you think it should be legal?

YES/NO/PERCENT		
	MALES	FEMALES
9	60/80/44%	
10	43/66/39%	
11	39/79/33%	
12	31/43/35%	

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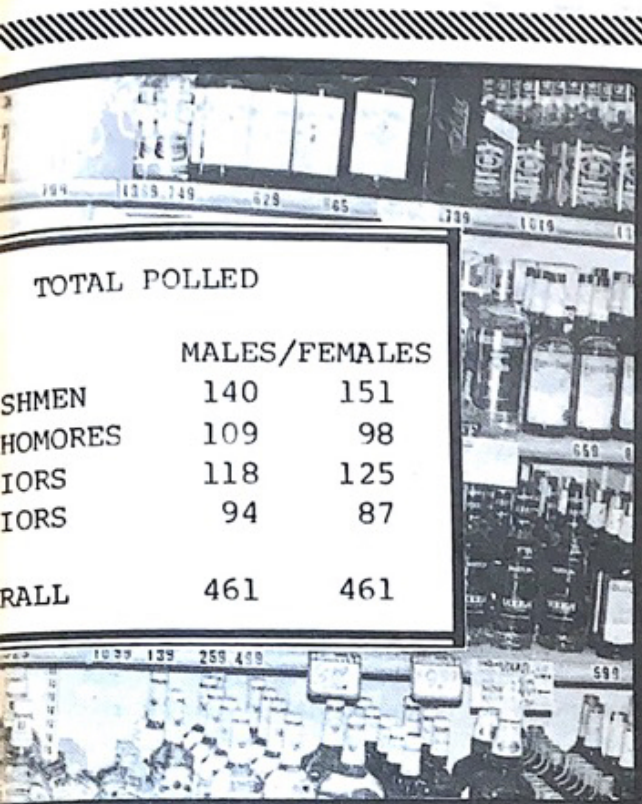


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What do you drink most?

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FEMALES
/143/5%
3/85/13%
9/91/23%
0/57/34%

MOST POPULAR ANSWER

	MALES	FEMALES
9 Nothing	wine	
10 Beer	Beer	
11 Beer	Hard Liquor	
12 Beer	Wine	

Do you or have you ever
used cocaine?

YES/NO/PERCENTAGE

	MALES	FEMALES
9	20/120/14%	17/134/11%
10	22/97/20%	36/63/37%
11	35/73/30%	31/89/25%
12	41/53/44%	27/60/31%

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TAGE
FEMALES
0/71/53%
2/36/63%
6/59/53%
9/38/56%

Do you or have you ever
used any other "hard"
drugs?

YES/NO/PERCENTAGE

	MALES	FEMALES
9	18/122/13%	19/132/13%
10	14/95/15%	24/74/25%
11	28/90/24%	29/96/30%
12	32/62/34%	20/67/23%

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ized?

NTAGE
FEMALES
36/115/25%
38/60/40%
31/94/25%
31/56/36%

Special thanks to
the 922 students that
completed and submitted
their surveys... We
couldn't have done
it without you!

EDITOR

AN EARLY START

Surprisingly, the majority of the students here at American started drinking before they got to high school. Not counting the students who have never had a drink, and not counting those who claimed they started drinking below the age of nine, the average age that students started drinking was 12.9 years. Freshman and Junior males started youngest, at 12 years, and Senior girls started oldest, at an average of 14 years. This is a sad development, especially since the drinking age is 21, and many students started drinking nearly 10 years before this! You don't have to drink to have fun, so use your heads! Don't drink "just for the heck of it"—it is harmful and destructive to your body. Get smart.

RUBBING ALCOHOL ANYONE?

"What do you drink most" was the question; "beer" was the answer for most students. This reply is valid for fifty percent of the respondents. The Junior girls seem to be a wild and crazy bunch; their favorite beverage turned out to be hard liquor. How does rubbing alcohol suit you, girls? Isn't that what it tastes like? The only thing that this staff member can think of is, maybe hard liquor was misinterpreted as a mixed drink, such as coke and bacardi or a tequila sunrise. Or maybe it's because beer is fattening. Other females, "classy" ninth and twelfth graders, drink wine coolers. Come on give us all a break, drunk girls - aren't classy!

MALE FRESHMAN = ANGELS

Congratulations to the male freshmen! According to our survey, the majority of those polled tend not to drink alcoholic beverages at all. Since, in all other categories the majority of the students drink with their friends, the American Express would like to commend these students for not giving in to peer pressure.* This is not to say that drinking is necessarily all bad, but, for high school students it is illegal, and can be dangerous.

* In fact, over 22% of the freshmen males had never taken a drink before.

DON'T DO IT!

Why drink and drive? Every one knows it is dangerous, and perhaps lethal, yet 56% of the male seniors claim to have done just this; they have, at least once, driven a car while intoxicated. On the survey, we asked if you had ever driven while intoxicated, "buzzed", or not at all. We included those of you who claimed "buzzed" in with the drinkers-and-drivers, because who is to tell when you go from "buzzed" to drunk? Not surprisingly, freshmen and sophomores, most of them too young to drive, had a low percentage of drinkers-and-drivers. However, juniors and seniors had an overall percentage of 37.7 drinking drivers. Frankly, this is much too high! Not only are these people endangering themselves and their passengers, but also other drivers and pedestrians. If you drink, ask a friend to drive you home, or call home and ask for a ride. It's better to be yelled at than dead.

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NEWS/FEATURE

EXTRA WORK NEEDED FOR GRADUATION

By Kenny Munechika

High School Graduation requirements have been raised for all except the Senior class. Effective next year, the course requirement for each semester will be changed from 5 to 6 classes. The unit requirement, therefore, for the class of 1989 will be increased to 240 from an original 200.

Because of a growing movement toward educational reform and falling SAT results, State Superintendent Honig set up the following graduation requirements for all of California:

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS									
Class of	English	Math	P.E.	Science	Social Studies	Fine Arts or Foreign Lang.	Health Ed.	Electives	Total
1985	30	10	20	10	25	0	0	105	200
1986	30	10	20	10	25	0	0	115	210
1987	30	20	20	20	30	10	0	90	220
1988	40	20	20	20	30	10	5	85	230

4 years of English, 2 years of Math, 2 years of Science, 3 years of Social Sciences, 2 years of PE, 1 year of a Foreign Language or Fine Arts, a semester of Health Education, and 95 units of Electives. The purpose of the new requirements is to provide

each student with a better, well-balanced education.

This change has a variable affect on each class. This year's Seniors are unaffected and need only 200 units to graduate. Juniors, however, will be re-

quired to take one more elective class and will need 210 units to graduate. The Sophomore Class will have to take additional courses in Math, Science, and Fine Arts or Foreign Languages as part of a 220 unit graduation requirement. This

year's Freshmen Class will have to take 4 years of English, 2 years of Math, Science and PE, 3 years of Social Sciences and a semester of Health and 85 units of Electives for a total of 230 units.

In addition to the raised course requirements, the number of school days, school hours in a day, and the length of each of the periods are expected to be increased. As another side result, 6 courses a day eliminates the "hanging - out in the Rotunda" problem; everyone would be in class.

FOREIGN In the USA

By Jenni Macias

Students often dream of visiting Europe or traveling around the world. America may not be any big thrill for us to visit, but for the foreign students at A.H.S. it was the thrill of a lifetime.

At present we have five foreign students attending A.H.S. Anke Becker (11) from West Germany, Agnieszka Lesiak (12), from Poland, Madeleine Ohman (12) and Elizabeth Trotteston (12) from Sweden and Juha Vohlmen (12) from Finland. All are enjoying their stay in America.

Unlike American Students, who don't face as much difficulty in going to school somewhere else in the world, the foreign students go through a long process with their governments. Although difficult, in some cases it is not impossible. Of the five exchange

students Agnieszka Lesiak and Elizabeth Trotteston faced the most difficulties. Agnieszka Lesiak said, "I faced two difficulties, the Polish authorities to give me a passport to America and America to allow me to come to the U.S.A." Unlike Agnieszka, Elizabeth Trotteston had more problems

with the program she was involved in. "I filled out thousands of forms and went to an interview which lasted three and a half hours, then they called me and told me I had been chosen" she explained.

For all, the trip meant a chance to experience the language and a feeling of "real freedom" said Agnieszka. But for all five students it was a complete culture change. The students said the school system was completely different. They felt that the relationships between students and teachers was friendlier and added to the atmosphere of "open space" at American.

Although none of the five students are staying longer than a year, they all intend to return for a visit. Elizabeth Trotteston expressed the feeling of all the foreign students, "America is wonderful and just great, I love it!"



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SPORTS LOOK

By Farm Mahdavi
Sports Editor

We have an epidemic in our society. Kids and young adults die every day because of this epidemic. It has grown to be the biggest problem for kids to get rid of, and for other kids to resist. The problem is drug and alcohol abuse.

Drugs and alcohol are used by all kinds of people, including athletes. Though it may not seem like we have a substance abuse problem at American, we do! Even if it is only one person on a thirty person team who uses drugs, that's one person too many. Furthermore, the ratio of 1 in 30 exists only prior to game time. After games or at parties, the number

increases. Nearly three-fourths of the American High athletes drink and do drugs during their party time.

There is no easy solution for this substance abuse problem. The only way to change the situation is if kids would become smart and not drink or take drugs. Notice that you have not been told to act like mature adults, because there are quite a few idiots in that age bracket, also. As a matter of fact, if adults never drank or praised the virtue of alcohol, kids would probably never use it either.

For those who drink and/or take drugs, stop! Don't do it for your parents, or for your teachers, but for yourselves. For those who have never taken a drink or used drugs be smart; don't start



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SPIRITLEADERS 84-85

By Rita DaSilva

What sport occupies a full school year including some weekends and summer vacation? It's Spiritleading. Although Spiritleaders are not considered athletes, they work just as hard.

Practice begins during summer vacation. Instead of sleeping in, the girls are up early in the morning to go to practice. They practice in the summer to prepare for spiritleading camp held at Stanford or Santa Cruz College. American's Spiritleaders are well known at camp for winning the most awards. For the past two years in a row, the AHS Varsity Cheerleaders won the Award of Excellence, the highest and most honored award a squad can receive. This year's AHS Varsity Cheerleaders continued the tradition when they went to the national competition in Dallas, Texas.

The Spiritleaders cheered on

the football team through wind and rain. During basketball season the girls were abused by basketballs and pushed by referees. But regardless of all the hassles, the girls kept their spirit going throughout the year!

When practicing for competition many girls got hurt from experimenting with new stunts. "I don't know how we did it, but we did, and we did good!" remarked one spiritleader.

Their banquet was an emotional event. The girls knew that it was almost over (especially for the seniors!). Tears were shed and hugs were exchanged. Even Mr. Swift was choked up.

As a Spiritleader, I had the opportunity to make good friends and realize the ability and creativity that we all possess. I'll miss it a lot!

A special thanks goes to Mr. Swift for his support and encouragement. Through all the hard work and dedication, the American High Spiritleaders are considered to be among the best (they are!).

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DOUBLE FAULT

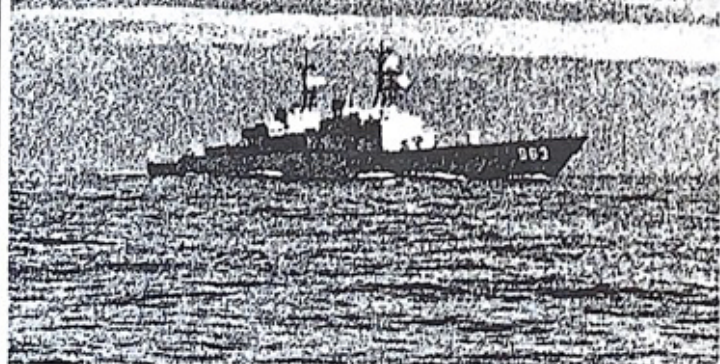
By Bryan DaSilva

Although off-campus coach Dan Barros expected a good showing from his players, they have yet to win a match in boys Varsity tennis competition of the 1985 MVAL season.

The team that consists of 1 senior, 3 juniors, 4 sophomores, 1 freshman, and 7 returning players show the moral and dedication of playing good tennis. But a lack of winning made a few of the old players turn in their jerseys. But the play-

ers that are still on the team are very supportive toward the rest of the good players such as Don Van Leeuwen, the lone senior, junior Dinesh Nandan, junior Stuart Burke, and sophomore Bill Cluverius.

Only two of the members on the team have won singles matches for a grand total of 3 matches won this season, two by Don Van Leeuwen; and one by Bill Cluverius.

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SPORTS

BADMINTON

By Ron Martin

When you think of spring sports, baseball, softball or track comes to mind, but those aren't the only sports being played here at American. Although Badminton is often overlooked, the American High School Badminton Team of 1985 hope to change this fact, with the help of Coach Annabelle Vargas.

turning for her senior season, and is American's girls No.1 singles player. The rest of the girls singles spots have yet to be determined, says Coach Vargas. Girls doubles however, will be Laura Edge and Racnel Bautista at No.1, Priscilla Lau and Danielle Quan at No.2 and Candy Allen and Tammy Bifano at No.3. Other girls include Stephanie Loomis and Madeleine Ohman.

be the strength of the team. Brothers Julius and William Chau will assume the Eagles No.1 and No.2 singles responsibilities, while veteran Gary Hu will fill in at the No.3 position. Jeff Leite, who reached the NCS tournament in mixed doubles last year, will team up with Scott Carstairs for No.1 boys doubles. Newcomers Bob Mallon, John Nelson, Jon Grave, and Steve Pan are just a few players that will make up this year's boys doubles teams.

Anne Mallon is re-

Boys singles will

EQUALITY

By Craig Hintzman

With all the protesting for equal rights for women, discrimination against men has been ignored. Four males at American may soon change this. Anthony Gonzalez, Jeff Gualco, Ray Reyes, and Craig McKiernan are trying out as cheerleaders for American High School.

but says he has been complimented for having the guts to try out. Craig McKiernan has also received mostly positive comments about his interests in cheerleading. He considers it a new challenge and hopes that he and the other three guys trying out will inspire more guys to become spirit leaders.

feels there have been more encouraging comments than put downs.

Mr. Swift views the guys involvement in cheerleading very positively. He feels that high schools should have male spirit leaders, just like colleges. Mr. Swift hopes to get more gymnastics back into cheerleading with the aid of the guys, and would like to see more trying out next year.

WAY TO GO GUYS AND GOOD LUCK IN TRYOUTS.

Jeff Gaulco says he too has found that very few people tease him. He stated that there is some good natured teasing, but

According to Tony Gonzalez, the girls love the idea of guys trying out as cheerleaders. He admits that he has been teased by other guys,

BASEBALL BLUES

By Ron Martin

With the first half of league play behind them, the Varsity Boys Baseball team looks towards their next six games as must win situations. In fifth place, with a 2-4 record, the Eagles must advance to at least fourth place in order to claim a spot in the Shaughnessy playoffs.

Starting the season off strongly with two early victories over Newark Memorial and Kennedy, the Eagles appeared to be in control of things. But as the season progressed, three

straight losses to Irvington, Washington and Logan darkened their hopes.

Coach Gallardo feels that his team hasn't put a complete game together. "We can play with anybody if we just put it all together," says Gallardo.

Shortstop Shawn Trask says, "We always have that one bad inning that loses the game for us."

Bobby Beck, who's having an outstanding year in centerfield says, "Things are not clicking; we need the bats and pitching working at the same time."



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