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Cover

If you had not seen Frank Guzick trotting about at the start of the school year, it is because he was recuperating from recent surgery and what he called a "virus-mocus". This report and other news on pages 9, 10, 11 and 13.

Sports

Bryan Water's column debuts as a regular feature this year with an examination of the 1979 football season. The football season opener is also covered along with girl's volleyball on pages 18 and 19.

Etc.

This year, Reflections introduces a new section geared to cover a wide variety of topics. This issue, Lyle Henderson looks at the skating fad and the most recent Led Zeppelin album is reviewed, on pages 15 and 17.

Ex-cheerleader turns model



YOUR EYES WERE NOT DECEIVING YOU IF YOU THOUGHT YOU HAD SEEN THAT FACE BEFORE ON D MAGAZINE A COUPLE OF MONTHS BACK. IT WAS DANA BRANOM, EX-SKYLINE CHEERLEADER, WHO IS NOW BREAKING INTO THE MODELING BUSINESS. INTERVIEW ON PAGE 6.

WELCOME TO REFLECTIONS

Here it is — the first issue of Reflections for the 1979-80 school year. This first issue contains articles we feel you — the reader — want to read. If they are, or if they are not, tell us. Correspondence should be brought to room 222.

This year marks a significant change in the makeup of Reflections. We hope these changes will give Reflections a more unified and appealing look.

Most of you will also notice that in these days of rapid inflation, Reflections still costs a quarter, making it one of

the least-costly papers in the city. We hope those of you who purchase this issue will continue to do so throughout the school year, keeping in touch with school happenings and staying informed on topics and events that concern you — the Skyline student.

The Staff

STUDENTS TO BE BETTER PREPARED WITH REQUIRED EXAMS

by Lisa Taylor

If the new DISD ruling passes requiring all high school students to take final examinations, college bound high school students in Dallas will be more prepared for college life.

Often students graduate from high school and move on to college without being prepared to take three hour comprehensive exams. If the ruling passes, high school students would be trained in taking final exams and their final examination grades would improve.

Preparation for college examinations not only improves college exam grades, it saves parents, state and federal agencies who aid in the funding of college tuition.

In college, certain averages must be maintained and even higher averages must be maintained in majors. As a result of difficult college courses and high grade requirements, final examination failure is more likely. Once a person fails an exam, he loses all his credit for his hours in that course and college hours are very expensive.

During the school year, high school students find that there are events that they wish to attend, but don't because

WHAT THE HEC

Spelling spellbinders

by Hector Cantu

On my way to the car wash, I had stopped at the Val-U-Mart to buy some Renuzit.

To my surprise, I ran into Johnny. Seems we hadn't chatted in awhile, so as he looked over his shopping list, we struck up a conversation.

"So how's it been going," he said as he reached for a bottle of Bar-B-Q sauce.

"Oh pretty well I guess," I answered. "How's life been treating you?"

"Pretty good, though not great," he replied as he threw a can of Kountry Fresh Korn into his cart.

"Really?,"

"Well," he said as he looked over a bottle of Ty-D-Bowl, "It's school."

"What do you mean?" I said with a puzzled look on my face.

"Teachers been jumping on me lately. Says a boy my age should be spelling better," he said as he grabbed a Smok-A-Roma ham.

"I'm really sorry."

"Don't worry about it," he replied as we reached the Dollar Daze section of the store. "I'm sure my grades will improve if I study."

"I'm sure they will," I said as I looked over the Lil' Smoker grills that were now on sale.

"Well," I said looking at my watch, "I better get going. I'm due back home in 25 minutes."

"Nice talking to you," he said.

"Same here," I answered. "I'll see you later."

"Later," he said.

I was home from the Kwik Kar Wash with five minutes to spare.

they don't want to miss more than three days and, as a result, end up taking their final exams. The new ruling would allow students to attend family reunions, weddings and funerals without penalty of taking exams since all must take them anyway.

Often students come to school sick in order to get out of taking exams, some end up missing more days because the illness worsens as a result of not staying home in the beginning. This is another good reason to do away with the three day rule.

All students are not college bound and do not feel they need the discipline of taking exams.

Others argue that the three day rule helps DISD maintain their high attendance rate since a student is exempt from his/her exams if he or she is absent less than four days. The discontinuation of the three day rule would therefore reduce attendance levels, cause student's grades to drop and reduce the amount of money that DISD would receive from the state* on its average daily attendance.

Furthermore, since final exam grades can lower a student's quarter grade as much as a whole letter grade, it is unfair to a student who has worked hard all semester to make good grades.

Taking into consideration the evidence for the new exam ruling far outweighs the evidence against the new exam ruling, final exams should be required of all DISD students.

Pits in parking lot disturb students

by Robin Reed

If students haven't noticed (and they **are** hard to miss), there are enormous pits in the student parking lot.

When questioned about them, Dwain Dawson, assistant principal in charge of facilities, said, "A requisition was sent in last May to the Administration Building downtown. In July bids were taken by different companies and the lowest bidder received the job."

Jay Thomas is in charge of this area and he said that Skyline has been placed on the list along with other schools in the area. As soon as the schools ahead of Skyline are done, they will get to the student parking lot.

While it's nice to know that someday the pits will go, no one seems to know when. Mr. Thomas did not know how many other jobs come before fixing the parking lots in the area. In fact, he said they were still moving portables.

Since the holes have been in the parking lot for at least three years, it's comforting to know a requisition was sent in and approved.

It'll be more comforting when one isn't jarred into the roof of his car or have to spend all of his non-school time having his front end realigned.

School board says no to quality education

by Julie Fulton

DISD board members failed to show concern for quality education when they accepted the 79-80 budget giving teachers a mere 5.1 percent pay increase.

Classroom Teachers of Dallas, (CTD) and American Federation of Teachers, (AFT) members picketed the Administration Building before the Aug. 1 board meeting and later presented their plea for money during the meeting. The board responded negatively, claiming that there wasn't enough money available to increase teachers' salaries and that it was out of the question to raise taxes (tax payers had no say in the matter).

As a result of the board's decision, teachers will again lose buying power, many will be forced to move to other districts or begin new careers and morale will be affected. Teachers need to have support from the district administration and if they don't have it, they can't help but lose some of their drive.

Superintendent Linus Wright defined the budget in the board meeting letter by stating, "This bare bones approach will not impact the quality of educational programs being offered in the DISD." What he failed to consider was the effect the budget would have on teachers.

Teacher Reaction

In a wave of resentment against the board's decision, CTD leaders developed a work-to-rules policy. The purpose of the policy was to persuade teachers to do only what was asked of them by their supervisors. This proposal would rule out all after-hours activities including grading papers, attending athletic events, sponsoring clubs and attending PTA meetings.

CTD members (teachers) reacted strongly against this policy. Skyline representative Joan Covici explained that CTD teachers were uncomfortable with the work-to-rules idea because they feel that their duty to the students often calls for those extra hours.

Alternate representative Carolyn Creel said that in order for students to learn, teachers must prepare lessons and grade papers after hours.

Ms. Covici explained that CTD's goal is "... not just to convince the school board, but to try to get the community aware that a teacher's job isn't just 8 to 4."

Hopefully, the community will support the teachers and the board members will be convinced that they must salvage what's left of quality in the district: the teachers.



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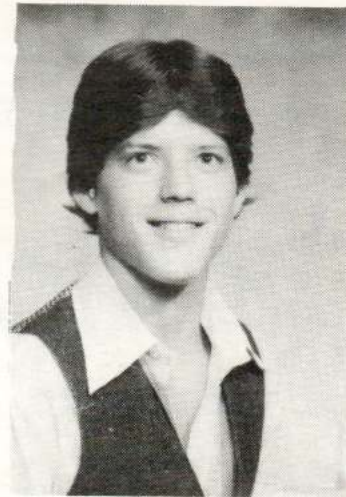


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by Risa Anderson and Donna Burrous



Few people consider Olivia Newton-John to be their competition, but Dana Branom, a 1979 Skyline graduate and former cheerleader, is competing with Olivia for the front cover of *Mademoiselle's* November issue.

Dana's reaction to seeing her face in numerous local and national advertisements?

"At first it's exciting to see yourself in magazines, then after awhile you start criticizing yourself."

Dana is apparently on her way to becoming another one of those Texas beauties (you've heard of Farrah and Jaclyn?) who've made it to the ranks of stardom. This blue-eyed beauty has been modeling for Dallas' Kim Dawson Agency since March and has already appeared in *Seventeen*, *Glamour*, "*D*" Magazine, *Mademoiselle* and *Cosmopolitan*.

Dana's first job, which also proved to be the strangest, was an ad for L'Image Hair Design of Dallas.

"They braided my hair for 1½ hours and it came out looking like a basket. But I just sat there and took it."

The L'Image advertisement appeared in the August issue of both *Glamour* and *Seventeen* magazines.

Some of her latest modeling accomplishments include print advertisements for Wella Balsam, Johnson's Baby Oil and Geritol. In her first TV commercial, Dana will appear with tennis star John McEnroe. The commercial will air in the Dallas area in November.

"The best part of it all is the traveling," said Dana when describing a recent three month trip to New York. "It (New York) is just like downtown Dallas' rush hour all the time, but it is the ultimate place to be if you are a model."

While in New York, Dana shared an \$1800 a month apartment at 34 East 63rd, right across from Central Park. Dana then lived alone in her single bedroom, \$750 a month apartment for the rest of the time, until her parents made her come home to go to school.

Considering the price of New York apartments, it's a good thing that Dana's new found profession is profitable, though she does admit, "it's expensive at first."

Initial expenses included her \$250 composite of various pictures for her portfolio and her \$500 photography handouts, to be given to profitable clients. The 1000 printed handouts contain four different pictures of herself, her measurements, and her shoe size.

Dana Branom's discovery was not that of your average star discovered while sitting at a soda fountain or passing out doughnuts during the filming of a movie.

"My brother's girlfriend, Laura Allison, also models for Kim Dawson. She told me I should submit an application to her agency."

Dana did so and, in return, was given the names and numbers of various photographers and make-up artists.

"I almost dialed my finger off trying to find a photographer," said Dana.

However, this American girl's dream-come-true isn't just smiling for the camera.

"It's really work. You learn to put up with lots of ridicule and criticism from photographers. If you can't take put downs, you can forget modeling."

Dana also added the you have to set your standards as to the type of pictures you pose for, then go from there. Dana has modeled lingerie for catalogues, but when asked to do the cover of Playboy, she turned it down.

There were a number of reasons behind Dana's turning down the offer, but her main concern was her family. "I didn't want to embarrass them," she replied.

Dana is, despite her recent success in modeling, continuing her education. She is attending Southern Methodist University this year, majoring in Physical Therapy. She plans to continue her modeling as long as possible.

Dana added, "When you reach about 23, you are considered an old model in New York. You might last a little longer in Dallas if you make it big."

Luckily, Dana still has about five more years before she turns "old" so one might take notice of that new face in those ads and on TV.



Teens learn lessons through jury service

"Do you swear to tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so help you?" Teen jury is in session.

Teen jury, a panel of teenage traffic offenders, sit in judgement of other teen violators, deciding guilt and punishment.

Reaching this seat of judgement isn't hard to do. After receiving a first traffic ticket, the law breaker will be mailed a letter by the City of Dallas which requests the offender and his parent's attendance at one of the regular Tuesday night sessions. The proceedings start at 6:30 with the prosecuting attorney, an adult, calling the names of each defendant in turn. The accused and his parent come to the front of the courtroom where the bailiff, another adult, swears in the defendant.

Now separated from his parent, who is seated by the prosecutor, the teen is then interrogated by the prosecuting attorney. It's advisable to study one's Texas

drivers' handbook prior to the session since questions refer to speed limits in different areas, meaning of traffic signs and signals and other valuable information contained within the booklet.

Following the questioning, the jury is recessed to decide the verdict. Once the verdict has been made, the panel will send the judgement, via the bailiff, to the judge. Punishments given by the teen jury include terms of service on the teen jury, essays, posters, drawing diagrams of the violation and sometimes, fines.

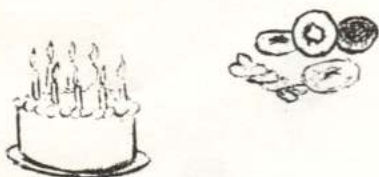
As with regular court, if the ticketing officer fails to show, the ticket will be dismissed.

It should be noted that trial by teen jury is not something to be taken lightly. Failure to show up will get the violator a warrant for his or her arrest.

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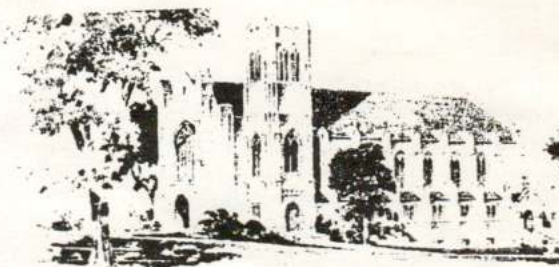


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Cover Story

Three faculty members hospitalized

by Lisa Taylor

Hospital stays have consumed part of the summer for three Skyline faculty members.

Principal Frank Guzick entered Methodist Hospital on July 5 for surgery. The operation was successful; thus, he was released on July 16 and returned home for a two-week convalescent (three of these days were spent at Skyline).

While recuperating, Mr. Guzick developed an infection accompanied by a fever fluctuating up to 103 degrees. He was advised by his doctor to take aspirin to reduce the temperature; however, this did not work. He was then given a prescription drug, also to no avail.

He returned to Methodist for "101 x-rays and blood cultures," August 25. After several tests, Mr. Guzick's illness remained unknown, so he and his doctor dubbed it "mocus x virus."

Although Mr. Guzick was absent from Skyline for some time, he was very much involved with its activities. Assistant Principal Jack Lawless said that Mr. Guzick would call Skyline twice a day.

Mr. Guzick returned to Skyline on

Sept. 4.

In addition to Mr. Guzick's absence, Assistant Principal Joe Baker also had a hospital stay.

Mr. Baker suffered a muscle spasm in his neck. He stayed in St. Paul Hospital for six days. Mr. Baker's muscle spasm has not stopped haunting him. He has a therapy session every evening at St. Paul.

"There's a fund in my name. If anybody wants to make a donation, feel free," joked Mr. Baker.

The most serious condition of the Skyline staff is that of Herb Lucas, one of the aeronautics instructors.

During the middle of July he had open heart surgery. The operation included a three-way bypass. Mr. Lucas' stay in Arlington Memorial Hospital consisted of four weeks; two weeks prior to surgery and two weeks after surgery.

Mr. Lucas is convalescing at home. He is expected back in one to two months. True Putney, also an aeronautics instructor, said that Mr. Lucas is greatly missed, especially by the students.

KEYWANETTE CHAPTER FORMED TO SERVE SCHOOL, COMMUNITY

While girls were not excluded from membership in the Key Club last year, none ever joined the all-male service establishment. Now they don't have to invade the club in order to serve community and school.

The Keywanette chapter here is the eighth girl's Key Club to be formed in Texas, with the first formed in 1972. Skyline and Berkner in Richardson are the only schools in the metroplex to have active girl's Key Club groups.

Founders of the chapter are Steve Bardin, lieutenant governor of the Dallas metroplex clubs; Missy Clark and Joanna Groom, temporary president. Girls from all grade levels can join.

Faculty adviser is Martha Williams. Sandra Lucaa also helped with organizing the club.

The Sept. 11 meeting informed girls of the dress code, goals and purposes. Future meetings will be held after school through the end of football season after which meetings will be before school. This schedule will enable girls in the drill team, band and spirit club to participate.

Senior class smallest ever; Skyline enrollment up

The 1980 senior class of 647 will be the smallest graduating class in Skyline history. Senior population dropped by almost 150 while enrollment at Skyline jumped 134 overall. (The district enrollment decreased.)

As of Aug. 28, 1979, the freshman class with 1021 was almost double the size of the senior class. The sophomore class is the second largest with an enrollment of 921. The junior class enrollment of 854 is up considerably from last year's total of 659.

The special education enrollment is down by 12 students.

Three senate officers turn in resignations

Skyline is presently without a student body vice-coordinator, senate parliamentarian and senate treasurer; however, the position will be filled soon.

David Benavides, the 79-80 coordinator resigned. Consequently, Jerry Fazio, who was elected the 79-80 vice-coordinator replaced him as coordinator leaving the vice-coordinator's chair unfilled.

Also resigning were the senate's parliamentarian, Theodora Lee and the senate's treasurer, Louis Howard.

In the senate's first meeting to be held on September 26, nominations for vice-coordinator will be accepted and election dates will be proposed. A new parliamentarian and treasurer will be elected from within the senate.

The vice-coordinator will be elected by the entire student body.

Plaque to be reminder of '79 graduating class

Following tradition, the 1979 graduating class will leave a gift to the school.

The large plaque made of granite and white sandstone will be approximately four feet high and 16 feet long. The inscription will read Skyline Center at the top, with senior class 79 at the bottom left and a Raider at the bottom right.

The total cost of the plaque is \$1,735, but seniors didn't raise the full amount. Mr. Guzick will make up the difference out of the general fund.

The building inquiry was sent to Spradlings Monument Service on Feb. 12, but a construction date has not yet been set.

The plaque will be built outside the B-building on the Forney Road side about 10 feet from the sidewalk.

Band director has experience behind his jazz

by Valerie Moore

Imagine playing in Duke Ellington's band an meeting the top groups and performers of the '70's.

Ronald Brown, the jazz band director, doesn't have to imagine because he has. He met and became friends with members of the group Earth, Wind and Fire, Lou Rawls, Ella Fitzgerald, LTD and George Duke.

Mr. Brown showed no musical interest until he was 17. Realizing after he had graduated he wanted to take up music, he turned to his father, a band teacher for 28 years, who taught him to play the saxophone. From then on, he was seriously interested in music.

He received his degree in music from the University of Austin. He moved to Dallas where he taught band at Boude Storey for a few years before coming to Skyline.

Mr. Brown was working with Johnny Taylor, a recording artist and resident of Dallas, when he met Duke Ellington's son, Mercer Ellington. Mercer Ellington had taken over his late father's band. The younger Ellington was in need of a saxophone player and told Mr. Brown to contact him and he got the job a few days later. A short time after being hired, he began a series of tours which took him across the United States, England, Germany and on a Caribbean cruise.

In 1978 he performed at the annual Kool Jazz Festival in Houston. He performed with the band a year and a half before leaving to spend more time with his wife who was expecting a child.

In addition to his start with the Ellington band, Mr. Brown formed a band called Freedom Express and composed a theme song by the same name. He composed other tunes including *I Feel So Good Inside*, a slow mellow tune, and *Groove a While*, a hard soul number.

Mr. Brown feels his experience with the Ellington band has bettered his teaching abilities, but he enjoys both teaching and performing and plans to continue both.

Foreign students further education

While four foreign students are enrolled here, official records show only one, Sally Nooten, is a foreign exchange student.

Sally, from Melbourne, Australia, is sponsored by Youth For Understanding (YFU).

"I find this school incredible," said Sally who graduated from a private school in Melbourne in 1978. She applied through YFU to come to the United States.

When Sally returns to her home, she will attend The Royal Melbourne Institute of Technical, where she will study fashion.

Uef and Joanna Helles, from Sweden, are also enrolled here. They live with their brother-in-law in Dallas. They came for cultural reasons.

Another foreign student is Akira Murayama. Akira had problems getting into school here when his exchange papers did not come. He talked to the office of exchange, and, within a week, his papers came in time for him to enroll before the second week of school.



EAST MEETS WEST. MELISSA RIVERS SHOWS AKIRA MURAYAMA AROUND SKYLINE CAMPUS.

DISD exam helps coll

by Julie Fulton

DISD students face many new policy changes and requirements.

Controversial proposals such as mandatory exams and the BOAT test went before the board during the Sept. 12 meeting.

Exams are mandatory. After listening to views from both sides, the board voted to require exams this year despite the committee's desire to delay the decision until exams could be implemented along with the semester system for the '80-81 year.

The BOAT test as a graduation requirement, the most disputed proposal, was delayed until the '82-83 school year. The board heard arguments from minority leaders who claimed that the test was discriminatory and racist.

The strongest argument came from Superintendent Linus Wright who explained that, no matter what they decided, the test could not go into effect immediately because of the Texas Educational Agency's ruling that a student cannot be kept from graduating for failure to pass a test alone. The board agreed that a three year period is needed to develop a Functional Literacy course for those who fail the test.

The test will be given to the '80-81 class, but passage will not be required for

Graduate receives \$

"People are turned off by the 11-page application," said graduate John York.

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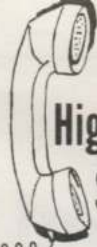
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Let the good times roll!

by Lyle Henderson

A new, old form of enjoyment, rollerskating, is rapidly becoming the newest form of entertainment for families, singles, teen, and those in their golden years. The renewed interest in roller skating is both a popular pastime and a new sport. With the increasing popularity in disco, skaters are finding themselves rolling across dance floors as well as on sidewalks and rinks.

The rebirth of outdoor roller skating is evidenced by the skaters who are rapidly making their homes along the trails at Bachman and White Rock lakes.

Trail skating is a new way to meet other people. Although a little physical, most skaters try to forget the body-to-ground contact. Falling, nevertheless, is the quickest way to have a laugh and find a fellow skater to help when the agony of defeat has struck.

Like many other popular innovations, roller skating has been tested and welcomed by trend-setting Californians. Now roller skating is becoming a form of transportation as well. Like Californians, many Dallasites are turning to their skates as a way of getting through the downtown rush hour or even as a means to pick up a few items at the grocery store. Skating is a fun and fast way to travel short distances.

Helping to attract attention to the fad are the stars who have turned to roller skating for enjoyment as well as for exercise. Cher, Linda Ronstadt and Olivia Newton-John are all regular skaters.

Because of increasing interest in the sport, technology has improved the skate wheels so that one can roll more smoothly across cracks and other faults in the pavement.

The kryptonite wheel, made of heavy-duty plastic, is made for indoor-outdoor and trick-disco wheeling. Cheap and noisy clamp-ons are out.

With the recent popularity of disco skating, skaters have learned ways to roll and keep up with the beats of many of the current hits. Disco on wheels is nothing more than several fancy footsteps, a little vigorous movement of the hips with arms rotating and hands clapping combined with the effects of the light show. In order



Rolling on. Skaters dress casually for roller disco.

to prevent injuries as an inexperienced skater, it is best to start at the side at a slow pace.

Skateland, at 7800 Greenville, is the first and only roller disco in Dallas. Approximately 300 people turn out each night to skate and mingle. The rink is open every night (Monday through Wednesday are adult nights--no one under 17 will be admitted).

Shamrock Roller Rink in Lancaster is another popular skating rink. Although not technically a disco rink, they play a wide variety of current hits.

Finally, but not least important, skating is a good form of exercise. An hour of constant skating burns up approximately 360 calories.

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LED-ZEPPELIN

THE SONG DOESN'T REMAIN THE SAME

by Greg Hutmacher

The newly released Led Zeppelin album, **In Through the Out Door**, is definitely not the same old rock and roll that Zeppelin has been known for in the past.

Upon first listening to the album, one wouldn't think that it was the same band that rocked the airwaves in 1969 with *Communication Breakdown*. There has obviously been a style change which can be traced to the last album, **Presence** (released in 1975). It began changing noticeably from heavy metal to a more creative trend. The new album seems to be the outcome of that transition.

The electric guitar takes a back seat to the keyboards on which the album heavily depends. All of this tends to give the more creative cuts a classical effect that Jimmy Page's blazing Les Paul couldn't match.

The first cut, *In the Evening*, is a little more rocky than the others. However, it's still not the blood and guts rock and roll that one would expect with a reputation like Zeppelin's. It begins with synthesizers doing an erie little solo followed by Page ripping away

with a rhythm riff. Robert Plant's vocals come across deeper and more refined. It still carries that unmistakable distinction that only his vocals have, however, they seem to have matured over the years.

On the whole, the vocals are somewhat cleaner, more harmonizing and less screaming.

The first cut on the second side, *Carouselamba*, is nothing like Zeppelin has done before. One might even go as far as to say that it touches on the disco side.

On the same side, last song, *I'm Gonna Crawl*, is a slow mellow tune that one would never expect from a band with such a reputation. It starts off with synthesizers mimicking violins and then goes into a molasses-like waltz beat. The song goes over very well as a relaxing mood setter.

The album comes out very well as long as the listener keeps an open mind and doesn't try to compare it to the old rock and roll. One could describe the album as mellow and creative. One discjockey from a local radio station, when introducing the album on the air, said that it might possibly be one of the most important albums of the year. For a band that's eleven years old, Led Zeppelin has matured rather well.



Calendar

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| Sept. 27 | Theatre Onstage Inc. One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest 8 p.m. through Oct. 20 | Oct. 13 | Fille Mal Gardee at McFarlin |
| Sept. 28 | Lou Rawls at the Hyatt Regency's Reunion Ballroom. Tickets \$15.50 at Rainbow outlets. | Oct. 19 | Larry Norman at Will Rogers Coliseum. Tickets available at Peter and Paul. |
| Oct. 1 | Beach Boys at Dallas Convention Center. Tickets available at Rainbow outlets and Peaches. | Oct. 23 | Kiss at Tarrant County County Center. Tickets, \$9 and \$10.50, go on sale Sept. 28 at Rainbow outlets. |

Victory eludes Skyline as miscues prevail in 6-0 loss

by Bryan Waters

Preseason games. The games that don't matter in the district race. No doubt they are the time for such no-no's as a dropped touchdown pass, numerous key penalties and failures to take advantage of good field position.

All of these shortcomings, and more, fell upon the Skyline Raiders Sept. 7 as they lost to the Garland Owls, 6 to 0 in the season opener.

"We beat ourselves. We know we're a better team than Garland. There's no doubt we should have won," Head Coach Red McCollum said following the loss.

Wasting a superlative defensive effort, which McCollum called the best ever by one of his Skyline squads, the Raider offense never got untracked. Hence the shutout. Skyline managed just eight first downs and 130 total yards. To emphasize the job done by the defense, Garland gained only five first downs and 57 total yards.

Not surprisingly the only score of the game came after a vital miscue by the Raider specialty team.

After the opening Garland drive stalled, usual sure-handed Larry Shaw fielded the Garland punt and fumbled. The Owls recovered on the Skyline 16. Two offside penalties aided the Owls in continuing the drive. On fourth down and goal at the four, quarterback Malvin Robinson was forced to run during a heavy pass rush. The drive, totaling only 16 yards, took nine plays. The point after attempt was no good, and Garland, yet unknown to all, had scored all the points necessary to win.

That was the last time Garland suc-

cessfully moved the ball. A swarming Raider defense was let by Tommy Miller, Jimmy Allred and Steve Kennedy. The Owls punted an unorthodox eight times during the evening.

ses, with one interception, for 44 yards. Granted, these statistics are not outstanding, but they definitely pleased McCollum. "He showed good poise for a junior. Todd is improving each day."

"We beat ourselves. We know we're a better team than Garland. There's no doubt we should have won"

Skyline coach "Red" McCollum

Out of nine offensive possessions, the Raiders began inside the Garland 45 yard line three times, yet were unable to take advantage of the field position.

Once, Skyline began gaining momentum under quarterback Todd Burgwin. After three successive first downs, the lone time for that happening, a bad exchange between Burgwin and fullback Pat Whitfill at the Skyline 49 caused a fumble. Garland recovered and another drive stalled.

Some bright spots did surface for the Raiders. The defense, for one. Halfback Robert Durst personally outgained the Owls with 59 yards on 19 carries.

But perhaps the most impressive aspect of the frustrating night for the Raiders came in the form of junior signal-caller Burgwin. He hit on seven of 14 pas-

Burgwin led Skyline on a late fourth quarter march that almost, and should have, won the game.

Beginning on their 35, Burgwin hit Durst on third and 10 to the 21. After two running attempts gained four yards, a backfield mix-up lost one yard. Fourth down now faced Skyline.

Then came the most exciting play of the game. Burgwin brought the Skyline fans to their feet for the first time with an electrifying run through the Garland defense.

Burgwin picked up the first down. Unfortunately, another penalty wiped out the gain. On fourth and 12, Burgwin hit David Jones, who was wide open, squarely on the numbers. Jones dropped the otherwise sure touchdown pass, and the Raiders were finished.

JV, frosh unstable as district begins

by David Herring

The junior varsity football team has high hopes for repeating the traditional winning seasons for which the teams have been known in the past four years.

The team looked impressive in a scrimmage against Bishop Lynch. Coach Sherman Hughes said, "We played a lot of guys, but we looked like we should at this point of the season. Garland and North Mesquite will be the true tests."

Returning from a mediocre season as freshmen, team members hope they will do better.

"Our weakest position is quarterback where three players are trying out for the spot," said Coach Hughes. "We

need to narrow that down before our first district game against Hillcrest."

"I see W.T. White and Samuell as our biggest games. If we can beat them, we should win the district," Hughes concluded.

Freshman coach Dennis Wickline will likely lead his newcomers into the district slate unprepared and unsure.

"We are very unstable at this point. We're playing everybody in every position," said Wickline. "Most were out of shape when we started in the summer. This put a dent in our workouts. Instead

of working on plays, we were busy reconditioning the players. We looked surprisingly good in our scrimmage game against Bishop Lynch.

"We are the smallest team in the district. We've been that way every year. Our advantage will be our hustle and teamwork," said Wickline.

"Our first district games isn't until Sept. 27 against Hillcrest," he said. "This gives us a lot of time to prepare. We're going to need all the help we can get if we're going to beat White and Samuell."

Volleyball teams prepare for district

by Donna Smith

"Again it will come down to the final game to determine the district championship," predicted varsity volleyball coach Jettie Sams.

Last year the varsity fell short, losing to Bryan Adams in the final game. However, this year Ms. Sams and the team are confident they will win.

"The key to winning will be to get the basic skills down so we don't make simple mistakes."

Of the 13 varsity players, seven were on last year's team.

Returning seniors are Cornelia Sheppard, Lisa Henson, Dana Johnson, and Dee Dee Wright. Juniors returning are Elissa Fountain, Michelle Massey and Maraget Peters. The six new varsity

players are Laura Tucker, Donna Harper, Christina Hall, Donna Smith, Elaine Hardesty and Rhonda Smith. All were members of last year's district championship junior varsity team.

In the first game against Mac Arthur Irving, the team defeated Mac Arthur 15 to 0, 15 to 11.

With only five returning players and seven freshmen, the junior varsity is rebuilding. Playing against Mac Arthur, the junior varsity fell, losing the first game 15 to 12, winning the second game 15 to 0 and losing the third game 15 to 8.

"Although they lost their first game, they are good athletes and they have a good chance at district," said junior varsity coach Mary Thomas.



LEARNING TIME. Skyline line coach HARRY LANTZ GIVES ADVICE TO MARK McCULLOUGH DURING GARLAND GAME.

Bryan Waters

Uncertain Raiders begin district

The most recent rumor, as rumors go, says that the majority of you devoted sports fans don't have the slightest idea of who the offensive linemen are of the Skyline Raiders, heretofore to be called *Your District Hopefuls*.

For those of you who don't agree, quick now, who is the left guard? Right tackle? How about the center? Some say the only football player lesser known than an offensive lineman is a *second* team offensive lineman. Unsung heroes is a label appropriately tagged to the offensive lineman.

The fact is, football games are won and lost at the line of scrimmage - a lineman's battlefield. During the never-ending battle, the linemen who perform the best almost always belong to the winning team. Without a good offensive line, most coaches say, a high school football team has little chance of winning.

Skyline head coach Red McCollum is no different than other coaches in this respect. In five years at Skyline, he has compiled a 23-17-1 mark. Tomorrow night (Sept. 28), he will lead *Your District Hopefuls* into league play against the favored Hillcrest Panthers at 7:30 at Franklin Field.

"In no way would I call our offensive line a weakness, but it is questionable," McCollum said. "We're small at tackle and this is an important position."

"They are quick, tough and strong for their size," said line coach Harry Lantz. But can they block against the opponents who are 30 to 50 pounds heavier and a few inches taller? Can they hold out

the huge defense of W.T. White, the team heavily favored, largely due to the experienced defense, to repeat as district champs?

Undoubtedly, the season will hinge on the performances of tackles Kenneth Sternes and Rayland Haynes, guards Steve Kennedy and Mark McCullough and center Dwight Hilton. "They've played well so far," said McCollum. But he admits district is what counts. "If they play well, we'll be in contention."

If not, well...

One of an offensive lineman's most important tasks is protecting the quarterback. This position is another unstable position facing *Your District Hopefuls* going into Friday's game.

Senior Rickie Greene has probably been unseeded by junior Todd Burgwin. Greene, who saw very little action last year, has been hobbled by leg injuries.

Both quarterbacks are very inexperienced on the varsity level. Whether either can lead their team through a successful season is unknown.

How, are you wondering, can *Your District Hopefuls* make up for these two key areas? Can they still win if these two phases fall flat on their faces? Will they still have a chance? Yes. The answer is defense.

Outstanding. Hard-hitting. Phenomenal. These words have been used to describe the Skyline defense.

Some say this is the best defense

McCollum has put on the field since he began here. If *Your District Hopefuls* expect to upset White or Hillcrest, the defense will have to perform far above their already frightening capabilities.

And when all else fails, there's always all-purpose halfback Robert Durst. The 6 foot 1 inch, 193 pounder is capable of breaking open a close game and turning it into a rout. He broke the single game rushing record at Skyline by gaining 265 yards in last year's final game against Bryan Adams.

"Robert is looking good. He came back in excellent condition. Yes, he can gain 1,000 yards if the circumstances are right and if he stays uninjured," stated McCollum.

There are a lot of unsure positions in this year's squad. A lot of strong points too. McCollum has confidence in his team.

"We came back in excellent condition from the summer. We worked hard. Fortunately, this year's schedule gave us a week off before our first district game. This way, we'll be over our injuries and better prepared for Hillcrest. They'll be tough. *Everybody will be tough.*"

It will take a great team effort to topple White from the mountain top. Regardless, McCollum has a simple theory he says can carry his team to the district championship.

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graduation. Students passing the test will be given the option of having a seal on their diplomas stating that they passed.

Minority members of the board were the only ones who voted to require the course in 1981. One of these members, Kathlyn Gilliam, said that she voted to go ahead with the test because putting a seal on the diploma would discriminate against minority students even if passage wasn't required to receive the diploma.

Arguments against the delay were pointless because, by law, a literacy course must be planned before the test can be a requirement.

Executive Assistance and Talented and Gifted programs were discussed by the board, but no decisions will be made until the document is reworked. However, board members were in agreement that a student should not receive a grade in a class he hasn't attended.

Honor system standards were stiffened, allowing only those scoring in the top 10 per cent of a nationally normed achievement test to be admitted into the system.

The weighted grading system will be in effect this quarter. Students in AP classes will receive five grade points for an A, four for a B, etc. and students enrolled in remedial courses will receive three grade points for an A.

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John through college and up to his Ph.D.

"It's a super-disciplined school," said John referring to St. Vincint University in Pennsylvania. Room and board are also included in the scholarship.

John plans to major in the liberal arts with a double major in business and religion.

South African sees America as Old West

"When I was small, I thought American's were a bunch of cowboys and indians," said Peter Harworth, Skyline freshman.

Peter isn't a typical American, but his view of Americans may be typical of foreign school children.

Peter, who has been living here for a little over a year, moved to Dallas directly from South Africa.

Born of English parents in Durbin, South Africa, he lived in that country for the first six years of his life.

Peter then traveled with his family to Thailand, Australia, Singapore, Rio De Janero and finally the United States.

Having visited such a variety of countries, one would think Peter might like to live away from his birthplace in South Africa.

Peter thinks otherwise.

"I would rather live in South Africa if the problem of terrorists wasn't present."

Terrorists are the main reason Peter's family decided to move to America, and according to Peter, an easier school system.

"The major difference is school. You learn more earlier in South Africa. It's more polite, more strict."

Peter doesn't plan to live in America for the rest of his life because he likes the English way of life.

"I might go to Eaton in England," said Peter. "My grandfather went to Oxford so maybe I might be able to go there, but nothing's definite."

"I would like to go back to South Africa and tell my friends about America," added Peter. "I'd like them to tell me how I've changed."

When asked of other differences between South Africa and America, Peter replied, "We have rugby and squash for sports, while here it's football."

And?

"I'd never had my hair blow dried!"

ORIGIN TO BE SOLD THROUGH NOVEMBER

All students who have not had yearbook pictures taken yet need to make an appointment immediately. Sept. 29 is the deadline for having class pictures made. Photos are made at Gary's Studios in Oates Plaza.

The 1979 **Origin** won second place in a national contest help by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. The yearbook has also been entered in two Texas press contests and another national contest from which results are not yet available.

Skyline's award-winning yearbook is on sale through Nov. 30. Deposits of \$5 are being taken in homeroom or room 223 throughout September, October and November. Students making a deposit in September will receive the 1980 **Origin** for a total cost of \$15.

The price includes the student's name embossed on the book and a plastic cover as well as sales tax.

Total cost of the **Origin** will go up to \$18 in October and \$20 in November for those who failed to make a deposit in September.

STRICTER RULES PUT TEACHERS AT EASE

Students returning to school this fall might have noticed stricter discipline due to House Bill 8 passed by the legislature.

Under the three bills passed, a teacher can banish a troublesome student from the classroom for the full school term. Within ten days of the incident, the student must go before the school board. The board will then decide whether to remove him from school permanently.

The bills passed also protect teachers from threats of bodily harm. In the past a student could hit a teacher four times before being sent to jail. Under the new

ruling, students can only hit a teacher once before facing a thousand dollar fine and a six month jail sentence.

"Skyline has never had a disciplinary problem but the bills passed have given teachers confidence," commented assistant principal Jack Lawless.

Another bill passed will totally prohibit alcoholic beverages on school grounds. This Class C misdemeanor is punishable by a \$200 fine.

When asked if he thought the bill was something that was necessary, Mr. Lawless replied, "Not necessarily for Skyline but speaking for all of DISD, I think it's a worthwhile bill."

Gas crunch heightens interest in Middle-East

Mariantha Photiades said the energy crises has aided curiosity in an already interesting place: the Middle-East.

Ms. Photiades is the teacher of the new Arabic studies course, part of the Man and His Environment cluster.

The course, being taught only at Skyline, will feature the culture, history and geography of Israel, Iran, North Africa and all the Arab countries. The Arabic language itself will also be briefly covered.

Ms. Photiades explains that while most students have a small degree of knowledge about the Middle-East, nearly all of them are eager and curious to learn more. Currently, classroom activities consist of collecting newspaper and magazine articles over present topics in the Middle-East.

Ms. Photiades was born in Egypt in a village close to the Nile River. She was raised on three languages: French, Greek and Arabic. She now speaks English and has a reading knowledge of Italian, Spanish and German. Ms. Photiades is of Greek ancestry.

Coming to the United States on a scholarship to the University of Kentucky, she has taught part time the last 17 years at various colleges and universities. Last year she taught an Arabic studies course at the University of Texas at Dallas.

Ms. Photiades also teaches French and Greek at Skyline.

Spirit, performing, yearbook groups attend camps



AWARD WINNER. JULIE FULTON, SECOND PLACE UTA PHOTOGRAPHY WINNER, WORKS WITH NEW STAFFER STEFANIE LINDSAY.

Five organizations attended summer camps or workshops this summer.

The 42 Silhouettes participating received 114 superior ribbons for their week at ETSU and also received a superior trophy for their over-all performance.

Yearbook workshop, held Aug. 12-15 at UTA, netted Julie Fulton a second place photography award. Twenty-seven members of the *Origin* staff attended classes specializing in page makeup and yearbook design.

All the cheerleaders attended the National Cheerleader Association camp at SMU winning two excellent and three superior ribbons. New chants and cheers were rehearsed.

The Flag Corps and drum majors attended camps at TCU and UTA respectively.

Variety found in 16 new faculty members

The new crop of teachers range from performing musicians to multi-linguists.

The new teachers include Ronald Brown and Leonard Walker in band. Pat Muscarene is taking over teaching of the drama classes as well as the sponsorship of the Drama Club.

The languages received three new teachers: Arturo Lazo, Spanish; Maria Sarterelli, Italian and Marianthi Photiades, who was part time last year but will be full time teaching French, Greek and Arabic humanities.

Several teachers came to Skyline for a new educational project designed for non-English speaking Mexican-American students in the DISD. High Intensive Language Center (HILC) teachers are Janice Chase, Eunice Flores, Brenda Kirby and Rebecca Pedraza.

New teachers in other areas are Jean Ward, English; Phillip Harrison, math; Jesse Santoscoy, industrial arts; Dozier Sutton, ROTC and Richard Wigman, building trades.

Herman Johnson is the new freshman principal.

Court stiffens DWI, school zone penalties

Teenage drunks who have a habit of flying low over the local roads are going to find life a little more difficult. The punishments for driving while intoxicated (DWI) have been drastically stiffened, and at the same time, the fines for speeding in a school zone have increased.

Opposing the old standard of probating the sentence on DWI charges, courts can now suspend a driver's license on the first offense, according to a source at the Dallas County District Attorney's office.

Following similar lines, administrative Municipal Court Judge Michael O'Neal approved a fine rate that raises

the base fine of speeding in a school zone from \$48.50 to \$50. The add-on penalty has been raised from \$4 to \$5 for each mile per hour after the first 10 mph over the 20 mph limit.

The increased fine rate was adopted when it was shown that more Dallas school children were struck by vehicles in school zones last year than in the previous year.

The school zone times have also been changed. The new times are 7:15 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The new afternoon time means that students who leave after seventh period don't have to check their speed for school zones.

