



PACKING TO "GO abroad" on the Senior Trip, class officers show their enthusiasm for spending the skip days at Grand Bend, Ontario. From left they are John Kotlar, president; Sue Coleman, secretary; Lynn Crawford, vice-president; and Joan Bator, treasurer.

Graduation evokes emotion

Commencement June 15 will culminate 13 years of schooling for 533 graduating seniors.

Greetings will be received from Mr. James G. Bulck, trustee of the Board of Education, Dr. Richard C. Seavill, assistant superintendent, and Senior Class President John Kotlar.

Chosen from a group of eight, senior speakers Debbie Rucker and Rob Rupe will talk on "The Times, They Are Changing" and "Crossroads," respectively.

Music will be provided by the Concert Choir and Orchestra.

The Invocation and Benediction will be given by the Rev. Donald Wright from the First United Presbyterian Church of Dearborn.

Long-awaited diplomas will be presented by Assistant Principals Harry Faulk and Charles Lomas.

DHS class of '72 scatters come fall

Today finally ends 13 years of hard but rewarding work for seniors. With the beginning of school next fall, the DHS Class of '72 will scatter to different "crossroads," finding new experiences and richer challenges.

The majority of students will stay near home. Others will travel as far as New Mexico and Norway for an education.

A recent survey with the seven counselors revealed the top six colleges where the Class of '72 will continue their education:

HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE---113

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN---53

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY---32

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY---19

CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY---18

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY---14

Several students will pursue their education at out-of-state colleges such as Cornell, Purdue, University of Colorado, Eastern and Western Kentucky and the University of Illinois.

From athletics to valedictorian honors flow at '72 assembly

Three years of hard work led to honors for many seniors.

Academically, the top 10 students for the class of '72 are Cheryl Pisarovich, Roberta Bruce, Ann Stemmerman, Patricia McGuire, Paul Foster, Susan Youmans, David Beale, Anita Czadankiewicz, Patricia Markell, and James Jacob.

Seniors also cited at the Annual Honors Assembly June 8 were:

- DARE Good Citizen Award—Amy Dickieson
- Dearborn High Leadership Award—Ross Tabbey
- Readers' Digest Valedictorian Award—Cheryl Pisarovich

- Quill and Scroll—Awards Sandy Chimenti, Sue Coleman, Debbie Duko, and Tom Kallis

- Forensics Hall of Fame—Jerome Arcy

- National Forensic League Awards—Jerome Arcy, Marie Dedinski, Mike Grosorean, Debbie Rucker, and Robert Rupe, Distinction: Jim Jacob, Pam Kirk, and Ann Lakovicz, Honor: Dave Bakken and John Kotlar, Merit
- William Valentine Scholarship Fund—Debbie Rucker and Robert Rupe

- Frank McIntyre Awards—Paul Foster and John Renko

- Girls' Athletic Association Trophy—Mary Donahue, Karen Faydenko, and Arleen Raffel

- Outstanding Choir Member—Mae Weeks

- Choir Awards—Mark Barker, Tammy Hanson, Joe Jelasic, Elaine Schumaker, Donna Shader, Kris Shelly, and Ann Stemmerman

- National Orchestra Association Awards—Sue Cameron and Barry Gamley

- John Philip Sousa Band Awards—Mae Weeks, Mark Stone, Doug Brown, and Maurice Mueller

- Instrumental Music Department Award—Alicia King, Amy Dickieson, Jim Headley, Brad Preston, Tim Burke, and Bill Livingston

- A junior, Lawrence Guth, received the Math-Science Award.

Scholastic Writing Awards were given to 25 seniors.

Scholarships and grants flowed freely as 27 grads received scholarships from various institutions and colleges. Dennis Kizza was appointed to the Air Force Academy.

Fifty-seven A certificates were given out at the assembly.

Along with three other major awards, David Hedstrand walked away with one of the hardest to achieve—the Salisbury Certificate for perfect attendance for three years.

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Canada, here we come!

Grand Bend site of senior trip

As the end of the 1972 school year draws near, DHS seniors look forward to their last class activity before the commencement exercises—the senior camping trip to Grand Bend, Ontario.

"This year's senior trip should be a lot of fun," said senior Sue Coleman. "Pinery Provincial Park, where we'll be staying, is only about five miles south of Grand Bend on Lake Huron, so there won't be any problem of finding food or entertainment outside the park. It is also large and well-equipped, so we won't have any problem finding campsites.

Variety is their spice

Traveling lures non-college bound seniors

According to DHS counselor Gary Hamilton, approximately one third of this year's graduates will not be going to college next fall. A majority plan to work, either continuing with co-op jobs or branching out into new areas of employment.

Common choices of employment include office work, beauty school, the airlines, and garage work. A host of unusual jobs such as freelance photographer, guitarist, Avon lady, and housepainter make up the remainder of the work force.

Other seniors hope to travel, marry, or join the armed forces.

Terri Ray, who has been attending beauty school for almost a year and a half, hopes to complete her requirements for becoming a beautician by September.

Pat Briggs and Debbie Baize will continue with their co-op jobs at the Times-Herald and Jacobson's.

Marriage is in the near future for seniors Terry Pierce and Debbie

Pinery Provincial Park's 5,000 acres have more than 1,000 tent and trailer sites. It is well-equipped, too, providing enough services, facilities, and activities to help any green-horn or experienced camper feel comfortable. Its many assets include:

- ★ a daily allotment of firewood for the fireplaces
- ★ picnic tables and shelters
- ★ boats for hire
- ★ swimming
- ★ sand beach and sand dunes
- ★ a store with ice and refreshment booth

Riddlemoser. Coincidentally, both of their boyfriends—seniors Larry Palonen and Paul Rahman—are going to join the Air Force and will be stationed in Colorado at the same time.

Senior Dan Hermonau wants to break away from organized education for a while. "This summer I'm going to be a freelance photographer. My main objective is to stay home and make as much money as I can. I want to become a little more independent."

One of the faces in the crowd at the Rolling Stones concert in Washington, D.C. later this month will be Sue Wolfe. "I'm going to Washington to live with my sister until I get a government job. While I'm there, I'll go to the concert."

Distant horizons are beckoning more than one DHS senior. Motorcycle enthusiasts Mark Lebamoff and Tom Lyon will be riding into the sunset in a few short months. "I'm going to paint houses for a while to

make money for the trip," explained Mark.

One senior girl hopes to go away to dance ballet after returning from a summer trip to Colorado.

Music will play a significant part in Larry Pinko's future. He has just finished auditioning for spots in several local groups and is hoping to land a job as a guitarist. Then he will save his money to go to Europe where he hopes to meet the great classical Spanish guitarist, Andres Segovia.

Although each senior interviewed had several reasons for prolonging or terminating his schooling, traveling and earning money seemed to rank as top priorities for the near future.

Jim Flynn reflected the views of many of the non-college bound when he said, "I want to straighten my life out—I guess other people would say 'find yourself.' After 13 years of pressure, I'm going to rest my mind and body."

Humor, determination, winning, other attributes

'Jocks' show amazing talent their senior year

The 1971-72 sports scene is now a memory. However, that memory will be one long remembered as the "72" that contained one of the foremost athletic groups to come out of DHS.

Athletes and athletics, in general, have been "through the mill" during the three years SENIOR jocks have competed.

Despite accusations and misgivings, the 71-72 season was an exceptional one.

It all began back in early August with the triple-sessions for football.

With all the hard work involved the guys had to find a place to let out their frustrations and to relax.

Thanks to the guiding hands of Bob McCluskey, Tom Mier, and Barry Sawicki, the Aberdeen Queen was founded August 30, 1971.

DHS man-handled Southgate in their opener, 14-0, behind four interceptions by Doug Davis. As the season grinded along, the Pioneers tackled Belleville, 24-6, to win the first home-come in three years at DHS.

The season ended with Frank "Jesse James" Suchara leaving with four game uniforms, a helmet, three footballs, and some twenty towels... or so Coach Hill thinks.

Meanwhile, the golf team clinched the Suburban Eight championship and placed five golfers, led by Bob Percy, on the All-City team.

As the fall sports faded, "Zeke," the water rider, was at it again.

The main cog in DHS sports, the swim team, captured the state title again. Tom Szuba and Paul Foster led the way, who, along with five other seniors received scholarships to various colleges.

Szuba is remembered for many things, including how excited he was at the state meet after receiving the trophy. The result was a case of the

dropsies and a broken arm for the trophy's bronze swimmer!

At the same time, basketball was in full swing. Led by John Renko-- one of only three seniors on the team--they forged to an 8-10 overall record.

Wrestling, which had Dave Miller as a bright spot, also had 175 pound heavyweight, Dennis Kliza.

The winter sports ended as tennis, track, and baseball came into the spotlight.

DHS thincads grabbed the league title from Edsel and smashed Plymouth with their worst kbl of the season, 109-19.

Dave Meisner flashed his way to victories in the high and low hurdles all season long. After the winning meets, Dave could be found opening beer bottles with his teeth in celebration!

What was supposed to be one of the

better baseball seasons turned into almost the opposite.

Although the talent was evident in shortstop Tom Koenig, third-sacker Tom Kalis, Frank Chiapetta, and the battery made up of the Rzepecki twins, the team just couldn't put it all together.

The Prankster Award goes to Ron Thomas for his performances with car bombs, onion gum, smelling lotion and sawdust baseballs.

The tennis team, coached by Tom Muldowny, will be remembered for winning the first tennis title in the new league.

So, a very successful season has past, leaving DHS with four out of nine possible championships in the new league.

REMEMBER WHEN...

- ... We weren't adults
- ... Seniors used to win the Home-coming float competition
- ... Our class wasn't in debt
- ... Smoke smelled like tobacco
- ... Horny meant ugly
- ... Rape was statutory
- ... You got re-admits from your counselor
- ... "What a rush..." was used in football
- ... "Papers" were used to clean glasses
- ... Keener 13 was a station
- ... Going to New York was going for a vacation
- ... "Dealing" was associated with cards

I'm looking ahead full of curiosity, waiting to take the world.
 Security of teachers and classes and high school is past.
 Funny how thirteen years just passes by with a faint, flickering memory.
 All those funny, embarrassing, heart-breaking moments are gone.
 You see, I'm a graduate with a tear in my eye and a smile on my lips.

Lynn Grunst '72



CREATING HOOPLA FOR the gala Senior Party to follow Commencement, Dearborn High's Music Man, Mr. Tony Russo, bangs out "My Darling Clementine" on an old-fashioned calliope.

Biggest, most, best... here they are!

After three years at DHS, seniors got to know each other fairly well through classes, parties, athletic teams and events, but mainly as friends. By seeing and learning personalities from day to day, conclusions were drawn about individuals as seniors voted on "honors."

★ OPEN END ★

WHAT IS THE HARDEST THING YOU EVER PULLED OFF AT DHS?



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"Surviving complete boredom." Chuck Assenmacher ★ ★ ★

"Our Thanksgiving banquet with illegal food and intoxicating beverages." Anne Lakovitz ★ ★ ★

"Getting caught by the librarian in the girls' john having a cigarette." Scott Ramm ★ ★ ★

"Skipping out for the Wednesday afternoon matinee." Nancy Wishart ★ ★ ★

"Smoking outside under the trees without being seen by the classes in A hall." Mari Dunlap ★ ★ ★

"Trying to call up and pretend you're someone else's mother for a re-admit." Mary Silk ★ ★ ★



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	Girl	Boy
Most likely to succeed	Patty McGuire	Paul Foster
Biggest flirt	Joyce Leslie	John Lundblad
Best dressed	Joyce Leslie	Mike Gogola
Cutest legs	Sue Coleman	Tom Frank
Most ecology minded	Sue Westcott	Bill Livingston
Nicest hair	Ranie Neill	Clyde Clark
Individualist	Marcia Young	Nathan Wince
Best athlete	Jeannie Jones	Dave Meisner
Cutest senior couple	Jan Dix	Tom Szuba
Friendliest	Marilyn Don	George Clippert
		Jeff Biggers
Life of the party	Sharon Sutterfield	Bob Miller
Most school spirit	Amy Dickieson	Tom Frank
Nicest smile	Patt Newgord	Dave Miller
		Geoff Harrison
Best dancer	Julie Ford	Louie Roosevelt
Intellectual	Cheryl Pizarovich	Dave Hedstrand
Best artist	Laurie Querfeld	Al Gatefsky
Most outgoing	Joyce Leslie	Bob Miller
Biggest mouth	Joyce Leslie	Gary Wood
Hardest worker	Patty McGuire	Paul Foster
		Gary Wood
Goof-off	Cheryl Peters	Geoff Harrison
Best looking	Ranie Neill	Gene Reno
Funniest	Cheryl Peters	