

Supt. C. F. Carroll To Speak At Beta Club Induction

Top Ranking Sophs Also Voted To Be Taken In

Thirty-eight senior high school students are scheduled to be inducted into the Beta Club, an honorary organization promoting service and leadership, on Friday, Dec. 17.

The ceremony will be held in the high school auditorium before an assembly of the entire student body. Margaret Little, president, will preside, with devotionals led by Patsy Clodfelter. Mr. C. F. Carroll, superintendent of the city schools, is scheduled to deliver the main address.

According to Beta Club standards seniors are inducted on an average of 90, while juniors must hold an average of 92 or above. The club recently voted to recognize sophomores having an average of 96.

The Beta Club has the following objectives: to encourage effort, to promote character, to stimulate achievement among its members, and to encourage and assist students to continue their education after high school graduation.

Formerly an inactive organization, the Beta Club, in the last two years, has taken the task of sponsoring social entertainment for the student body. Dances and seasonal parties have been planned by the group throughout the school term and received with a measure of enthusiasm by the many students attending.

At present the High Point Beta Club Chapter has twenty-two members on roll.

'Love In Bloom' Well Received

"Love in Bloom", a one-act comedy by Pauline Phelps, was presented December 7 by the Masque and Gavel Players, sponsored by the Student Council.

Dot Kendall portrayed the part of Cynthia, a high-strung school girl of sixteen who is greatly admired by Joe Gunter, played by Bobby Baird. Marilyn Robinette as Belle Comers, the athletic type; and Nolan Brewer as Hal Merrit, add much to the humor of the play. Gladys Linthicum, as Aunt Judith; and Ruth Ellen Monroe, as Mrs. Hamilton, made up the women of the house. Mollie, the red-cheeked maid; and Prof. Warren were played by Joann White and Eddie Myers, respectively.

The play was directed by Miss Ruth Goodman, advisor of the Masque and Gavel Players.

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Honor Society Holds Induction

In an impressive candlelight ceremony Wednesday, December 8, sixteen seniors were inducted into the National Honor Society.

Those inducted were: Carolyn Murray, Bob Younts, Peggy Layton, Gladys Linthicum, Charles Shufelt, Jane Beam, Margaret Little, Dick Boyles, Nancy Jo Smith, Scotty Cook, Paul Conrad, Chet Allen, Ruth Ellen Monroe, Jerry Hester, Shirley Kirkman, and Bobby Hoskins.

As a part of the traditional ceremony the old members lighted their candles and, to the soft strains of Handel's "Largo," they threaded their way among the rows of senior classmen, tapping each prospective member on the shoulder. These were led to the stage, and each inductee then took the pledge of membership and received the gold Honor Society pin.

Betty Claire Schultheiss, president of the Honor Society, conducted the ceremony, while Patsy Clodfelter led the devotionals. The four cardinal principles of the Honor Society were represented by four members of the group in the following order: Sara Barrier, "Character"; Dewey Greer, "Scholarship"; Jackie Meekins, "Leadership"; and Max Thurman, "Service."

Y-Teens Entertain State Delegates

The High Point Y-Teens were hostesses to the delegates attending the annual state Y-Teen Convention held at the local Y.W.C.A. on December 10, 11, and 12.

The general theme of the conference was "The Same Boat, Brother," which emphasized the idea of world peace, race relations, and religion.

Gladys Clinard, Vivian Miller, and Billie Ann Slate represented the tenth grade Y-Teens. Of the eleventh grade club, Tommy Lentz, Peggy Clark, and Joan Crowder were selected as delegates. Attending the conference from the senior group were Shirley Kirkman, Elon Nixon, and Davia Lee Teague.

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Bible Classes Present Drama To Convalescents

The Bible Department will present a Christmas play at the Central Carolina Poho Convalescent Hospital in Greensboro Thursday night, December 16.

The play chosen for production is entitled "David." It is the story of a little boy who was watching his flock the night of Jesus's birth.

The part of David is played by Bobby Robbins. The master who owns the stable is played by Lewis Voncannon. Joseph is portrayed by David Brewer; and Mary by Margaret Stamey. The above students were chosen by popular vote from the second year Bible class. Gordie Maxwell is student director for the production.

By presenting this play the students hope to have the opportunity of knowing some of the people in the hospital, and helping them find the real Christmas spirit.

Oratorio Opened Christmas Season

On Saturday and Sunday evenings, Dec. 4 and 5, the Senior High Auditorium was the setting of the magnificent MESSIAH, presented for the fourth consecutive year under the direction of Mr. Carl G. N. Cronstedt.

The chorus this year consisted of approximately 250 voices made up of members of the Senior High School choir and alumni, with an orchestra of thirty instruments.

The soloists were: Miss Mildred Crowder, soprano; Miss Mary Lou Rainey, contralto; Dr. C. L. Gray, tenor; Mr. Emile H. Serpess, baritone; with Miss Mae Kirkman and Miss Dot Lewis as pianists.

Surrounding the stage were large red poinsettias. The choir seated on large risers were dressed in white robes, except for those seated in the center who, in robes of blue, formed a cross.

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Lower House To Sponsor Clean-Up, Fix-Up Campaign

Curtain Callers Acclaimed Big Hit

The Curtain Callers presented for the approval of the student body, their first program of plays, directed and acted by students who were members of the club.

The first play on the program was entitled "The Long Retreat." Taking the leading roles were Shirley Kirkman and James Buck, while Mary Lib Casey directed the production. The story revolved around an eccentric old couple who continually thought of their ages.

Second on the program was "Rehearsal," in which a young girl tried to hide a bandit from her father and the sheriff. Starring in this play were: Kent Hubbard, Alvis Ennis, Bobby Baird, and Venitia Wilcox. Norma Jean Ansell was the student director for this play.

The third and last production on the program was entitled "Double Break." This play took place in a soda shop and consisted entirely of jitterbugging. Making up the cast of this dancing scene were three boys and three girls who jitterbugged, while a crowd of "hep-cats" stood around them talking and watching. The dancers were: Vera Dean Puckett, Jo Ann Ronk, Rosie Beam, Max Shoaf, Bobby Lee, and Ray Greene. Acting as student director of this play was Venitia Wilcox.

Roach Is Committee Head; Begin With Auditorium

No, it's not the fact that High Point High School is run down, in the least; it's just that a few ambitious student leaders feel especially energetic.

A committee, appointed by Lower House Head, Bob Younts, and composed of Al Roach, chairman; Barbara Lee; Shirley Ray Gallimore; and Wink Allen has taken upon themselves to launch a "Clean-Up, Fix-Up" campaign.

One of the tasks they will undertake is to clean up the dressing rooms behind the auditorium so as to make things more pleasant for both student and professional performers who use the high school stage. Another is to install a better seating system in the auditorium. This would aid greatly in curtailing most of the confusion when the student body seats for assemblies there.

It was also widely rumored that, as an act of benevolence, a record player, an imported Persian carpet, and solid mahogany furniture would soon be installed in the now-slightly-bare Pointer office. But something must have happened, or maybe it was just a rumor.

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