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North Carolina Library Convention Chooses Betty Sink Club Reporter

GHS junior, Betty Sink, was recently elected reporter of the North Carolina High School Library Association at the seventh annual convention of the organization in High Point, North Carolina, on April 2 and 3.

The two-day convention began Friday, April 2, at High Point Senior High School with the registration of all delegates in the school library.

At 2 p. m. the first session was held in the school auditorium with the featured speaker being Mrs. E. H. Ould, a youth counselor from Roanoke, Virginia.

Friday evening a banquet was given at the Hotel Sheraton with Mr. Richard Walsler, professor of English at State College, as guest speaker. Mr. Walsler was introduced by Miss Mildred Herring, GHS librarian.

All students who attended the conclave assembled at the hotel for an informal dance following the banquet.

Officers for 1954-55 were elected Saturday at a business meeting at which time Betty was chosen. The duties of Betty will be to keep the

state NCHSLA scrapbook.

Official delegates from GHS to the convention were Barbara Sharpe and Charles Woods. Terry Garrison, president of the High School Library Association of the Northwestern District; Marcia Felt, district secretary; and LaReeta Stanley, member of the housing committee for the state convention were also convention delegates.

Other representatives of the GHS Library Council attending the convention Saturday, April 3, were Laura Adams, Katherine Leonard, Tommy Andrews, Marilyn Neerman, Rose Wharton, Kaye Banner, John Hoover, and Betty Sink.

May Day Committee Discloses Plans, Theme

Senior High's annual May Day to be held May 5 will have as its theme American Festivals.

After the May Court procession-al the panorama of festivals will start with a general parade. Senior's own band will play for the parade.

Entire May Day will be representative of a whole festival day. The May Pole dance will be given near the first, as if the village children were dancing it in the morning. Following this there will be a series of festivals honoring Queen Gloria Gilmore and her court. The discovery of America will be portrayed by an Indian dance. A Spanish caballero and senorita will do a dance in honor of the Orange Festival. As little cotton pickers, the girls' glee club will act out a Cotton Festival. For the mountain people of America a folk dance will be done. As the festival day draws to a close, a Masquerade Ball will be held. For the figure at the Ball, the May Court will dance the minuet.

Mrs. Jean Newman, Miss Margie Gabriel, and Miss Dorothy McNairy are working on the plans of the day with Beckie Schweistris and Bob Cowan as student co-chairmen. The student council is working with Beckie and Bob and as the need arises more student committees will be chosen.

Senior High Students Elect Jordan Prexy

With a turnout of over 1200 students voting, Jimmy Jordan was elected president of the 1954-1955 student body on Friday, April 2.

Sue Simmons will be vice-president of the student body with Gail Kirkman as secretary and Dick Robinson as treasurer. Traffic chief will be Bob Cowan. Gail and Dick are rising juniors, while the rest are members of the 1955 graduating class.

The prospective seniors elected Rob Pearce as their president. Paddy Sue Wall will be vice-president, Rita Boggs, secretary, and Tip Noe, treasurer. The six Senior Class council representatives are Lynn Boren, Margie Boren, Phyllis Brooks, Julianna Clark, Susan Hege, and Kay Wrenn.

Junior Class president will be John Gardiner. Others are vice-president, Charles Forbes; secretary, Sally Jordan; and treasurer, Barbara Jessup. While the Senior Class voted for six female representatives, the Junior Class will have only one girl to represent them, Zade Turner. The six remaining boys are Eugene and Sam LeBauer, twins, Wayne Griffin, Jim Turner, Walker Lockett, and Bill Williamson.

The officers elected will be installed next month, but won't begin their duties until next year.

The officers of the school were voted upon by the entire student body, while rising seniors only voted for their class officers, and prospective juniors voted for theirs.

Officers Elected In Spanish Club

Elected president of the newly-formed Spanish Club on Wednesday, March 31, in room 313 was Eugenia Hickerson along with an additional slate of officers.

Other officers include Henrietta Reed, membership chairman; Rita Boggs, program chairman; Betsy McKeel, social chairman; Mary Helen Shelburne, secretary; Bill McCuiston, treasurer; and Mary Lou Wall, publicity chairman.

The GHS Spanish Club members attended a meeting of the Woman's College Spanish Club on Wednesday, April 14, in the college library. Included in the program were film strips on Spain.

Next Tuesday night, the officers of the GHS club plan to attend a business meeting of the Woman's College club to observe the procedures of their meetings.

Plans for the next meeting of the club to be held May 12 were made at an additional gathering of the officers. A program for the meeting is now being planned by Rita Boggs, program chairman, and her committee composed of Barbara Lindley, Sue McEntire, and Dawn Barbour.

Social plans for the meeting are being made by the social chairman, Betsy McKeel, and her co-workers, Beverly Mitchell, Miranda Godwin, and Mary Lou Wall.

Harriman Conducts Orchestra In Meeting

Performing in assembly Tuesday was Senior High's 75 piece orchestra, under the direction of Mr. J. Kimball Harriman.

For their first selection they played the "Herod Overture" by Henry Hadley, an American composer. Amanda McConnell was the featured soloist in the first movement of Mendelssohn's "Piano Concerto Number One." In their third piece the orchestra changed to a lighter vein with an arrangement for strings of "Over the Rainbow" and "Blue Moon." As a final number the full orchestra performed the fourth movement of "From the New World Symphony" by Dvorak.

The first and last pieces that the orchestra played are to be used in the state contest on April 23.



Ascending the ladder of success are John Gardiner, Rob Pearce, Bob Cowan, Dick Robinson, Gail Kirkman, Sue Simmons, and Jimmy Jordan, victors in the recent school elections.

Jimmy Jordan Wins Third Gavel; Pearce, Gardiner Class Presidents

Taking the gavel for the third consecutive time at Senior is Jimmy Jordan, past president of both his Sophomore and Junior Classes.

Jimmy hails from Proximity where he was a member of the student council and editor of the school paper.

An active member in the Sea Scouts, Jimmy especially enjoys sailing on High Rock Lake. Another sport that meets his fancy is tennis.

Jimmy's hobby is building model airplanes. He is interested in engineering and plans to go either to N. C. State or Michigan Institute of Technology to pursue his career.

Rob Pearce is the boy to take top executive position of the Senior Class next September.

This junior is on the move con-

stantly, keeping up with his extra-curricular activities. He is an explorer scout in the Order of the Arrow, Torchlight, and the Key Club. Even with this heavy schedule, Rob finds a little time left for his hobbies—golf, basketball and shop work.

He brings out his talent in the music world by man-powering a cornet in his church orchestra and both the band and the orchestra at school.

There are singing waiters and whistling carhops but here's one—a tootin' president. Maybe this isn't a very dignified introduction to John Gardiner, president of the rising Junior Class, but his band and orchestra activities certainly prove it true.

He plays as a substitute with the Winston-Salem Symphony and is in a small dance band composed of several GHS boys, who call themselves the Mellow Tones.

John was student body president at Lindley Jr., then came to Senior and was elected to head the Sophomore Class. He is a member of the Key Club and is quite a noted stationery salesman.

John's plans after graduation are indefinite. He will either continue with his music or study at the University of North Carolina.

Secretary-elect of GHS is Gail Kirkman. She is a member of the swimming team, student council, and president of her home room.

Gail is a sophomore, but she states, "Everyone works from the bottom up!" Since coming to Senior, she has consistently made honor roll. Third period she received the citizenship award.

When the heavenly strains of music echo through the vocational building, it could be Gail lending a note or two on her violin. If the proper time arises, she can bang on the old ivories. Junior Euterpe honors her music ability and her membership. Speaking of clubs, every Wednesday night Gail can be found at the L. S. P.'s meeting.

Not to be mistaken as the World's Champion Handshaker is

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Book Club Sponsors Short Story Contest

Next, Tuesday, April 20, is the deadline for entrants in the O. Henry Short Story Contest now being sponsored for seniors by the local O. Henry Book Club.

A \$25 war bond is being offered as first prize with a cash award of \$10 to be given to the second place winner. The winners will be singled out on Awards Day for recognition for their outstanding achievements.

Requirements for the short stories are that the story must be the original work of the senior submitting it, manuscript must be typed, manuscript must be turned in to Miss Mims in room 300 or to the student's English teacher by April 20, and that the manuscript may be any desired length. Students are being urged, however, to keep in mind that O. Henry's short stories were short, humorous, and had surprise endings.

Power Behind The Print



Shown above are those who will fill the key position on next year's HIGH LIFE staff. Left to right they are Lynn Cochrane, Mary Louise Shaw, Martha Ann Burnet, and Jimmy Turner.

Key position on next year's High Life staff will be filled by Martha Ann Burnet, who follows Martha Jester, this year's editor.

Lynn Cochrane and Jimmy Turner will be associate editors, and Mary Louise Shaw, business manager.

Martha Ann, rising senior, served on the staff this year as a feature writer and a proofreader. At Aycock she was editor of the Aycock Life, school newspaper. Martha is also active in speech and dramatics and serves her home room as treasurer. She is a member of the Les Soeurs social club.

Lynn and Jimmy are both rising juniors. Lynn transferred from

Greenville, South Carolina, where she was editor of Greenville's Junior High Mirror. She has been a headline and feature writer on High Life. Also she serves her home room as secretary.

Jimmy came to GHS from Central Junior High. He was elected vice-president of the Sophomore Class last fall, and next year he will be a representative to student council. On High Life this year he has been a sports writer and news columnist.

Mary Louise is a rising senior and will be business manager of High Life for the second year. She hails from Gillespie Park where she too was sports editor of her school paper, the Gillispian.