

Dramatics Experimentals Based On Fairy Tales

If one happens to walk by room 103 and hear a loud roar of laughter, he might wonder what is going on. Well, look inside and see people making strange faces and jumping around. No, they are not crazy. They are members of the RMSH dramatics classes practicing parts in plays.

The idea behind these plays originated from the "Story Theatre" by Paul Sills which appeared on Broadway in New York last year, including fables and fairy tales from Anderson and Grimm. The School of Performing Arts in Winston-Salem, N. C., has a similar program of such performances.

"Red Rolling and the Hood" is a comic version of "Red Riding Hood". It stars Gardenia Wiggins as Granny, Richard Newman as the Hood, Connie Maxwell as Red Rolling, and Ginger Etheridge as Red Rolling's mom.

Another play is the "Fisherman and His Wife" with Richard Newman as the Fish and Connie Maxwell as the fisherman's wife.

The poem "McCavity" will add something different to the series. It is about a mischievous cat who always seems to commit crimes, and split before he gets caught. Jean Frederick, Nancy Lancaster, Mary Pike, and Larry Sharpe will participate in the reading of the poem.

Butch Harrell, Butch Fleming, Mitchell Pridgen, Steve Parker, Beverly Whitehurst, Mac Knight, Ellen Matthews, and Gwen Taylor star in "The Three Spinners".

Next are two plays which have been given at the Tank Theatre. The first is "Henny Penny," starring Connie Maxwell as Goosey Poosey, Richard Newman as Foxy Loxy, Sam Carrico as Turkey Lurkey, Bill Searcy as Duckey Daddles, and Bruce Flye who plays the guitar and sings. The other play is "The Bremen Town Musicians" starring Richard Newman as the Ass, Connie Maxwell as the Burglar, Sam Carrico as the Dog, and Bill Searcy as the Cock. Janet Barkhouse has arranged music and will play flute with this presentation.



November's Rotary Couple, Marsha Allen and Cecil Davis, take a needed rest from their busy lives. (Photo by Drew Cole)

Little Green Boxes Cause Trouble Among Seniors

The mighty seniors of RMSH have a great task before them -- senior themes! Senior themes are new to some, although many experienced the hardships of "junior themes" last year.

Plans are under way! Note-cards, books, magazines, newspapers--anything you can come up with for information. Got it all?

Choosing your subject is probably the hardest task. This year, subjects range from snakes to Walt Disney Productions. Many seniors get really interested in their subject and intend to pursue it further in college.

For many seniors, the big process has already begun -- note-taking. For some upper classmen, they find out that getting the minimum number of sources is impossible. This

could be a problem! Others find out that they are likely to end up with a 50-page theme!

After the big job of note-taking comes the hard part. Pencils and pens fly and abracadabra -- a perfectly formed outline! Getting the theme organized into a rough copy requires a lot of mental ability and late-night work! No wonder so many seniors look dazed during theme time.

Most students have a hang-up on footnotes. Now is it "Ibid" or "Op Cit?" Oh well, these themes certainly aren't one of our senior privileges! However, when the final draft is finished, the bibliography is done, and the conclusion is drawn, the author has a sensational feeling of accomplishment (along with relief). So cheer up seniors, "To the victors, go the spoils."

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Rotary Couple Selection Makes Excellent Choice

Although November has brought bitter cold and dreary weather, it also brought two warm-hearted RMSH students, the Rotary Couple honor. These students are Marsha Allen and Cecil Davis.

MARSHA ALLEN

"Mirror, Mirror, on the wall, Who's the fairest of them all?"

"Uh, Uh, I do not know. Who is the fairest of them all?"

"Marsha Allen, of course, you dumb mirror! Don't you know anything?"

Yes, Marsha Allen, the bubbly, vivacious young lady is November's proud recipient of the Rotary girl of the month. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Allen and attends Lakeside Baptist Church. Seeing her riding around in her little green car, it seems that Marsha does not lead a very busy life. But, she does! At school, she is on the President's Cabinet and a member of the Booster Club. Working takes up

much of her time, but she finds time for Senior Debs and the Rocky Mount Youth Council. Marsha's interests, which include water skiing, the mountains, and horseback riding, show that she is mainly the outdoor type.

When Marsha was informed of her honor, she thought it was too good to be true. She was exceptionally happy about it, which is natural for such an optimistic and cheerful girl.

Marsha's only comment was that she hoped everyone would get out this year and support the basketball team. She hopes to attend Appalachian State upon graduation.

CECIL DAVIS

"Testing! Testing! One, two, three, four! Testing! Testing! Will the Senior class please come to order?"

Who else could be saying this but Cecil Davis, the cool and calm president of the Senior class. Everyone likes Cecil. He is just naturally an easy person to get along with and to respect. His low tone of voice really makes people listen to what he has to say. Maybe this is why he is November's Rotary Boy.

Along with being president of the Senior class, Cecil is in the Booster Club and band. He is a proud member of the Elegants Society and active in the City Recreation projects. Shooting pool and playing cards are two of Cecil's interests, but he really enjoys participating in all different types of sports.

"I was very surprised and thrilled when I was selected Rotary Boy of the month. It is the first time I have received an honor of that nature." Commenting on the school, Cecil said, "I feel that this year, the school is not as much 'together' as it was last year. But I feel as the year progresses, the students will begin to work together."

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