

# Funding Equality Gained In Sports

"We do not slight girls' sports in funding," said Dudley Whitley, Senior High's Athletic Director, in response to rumors that girls' sports were not getting necessary funds.

The nature of the equipment needed for the sport and the number of participants are the main criteria for determining the amount of money spent on each sport. "Naturally," said Whitley, "the football team gets more money, because it is more expensive to outfit the players (approximately \$150 per player), and because the football team has more players than any other team at Senior High."

Another underlying factor in determining the amount of money spent on the entire athletic program is the revenues

collected from boys' football and basketball games, since the money collected from these two sports supports the athletic department at Senior High. A bad season in football or basketball, or both, could mean a decrease in attendance, and consequently a decrease in revenue. That would mean that less money would be spent in all sports, and that only needed equipment would be bought. If, on the other hand, the football and basketball teams had a good season, revenues would increase, and special items such as the pitching machine and track pads would be bought if there was any extra money left at the end of the year.

Whitley cites the relative newness of girls' sports as the reason the girls may not have as much as the boys. "Some of the boys' teams have been organized since Senior High was built and have accumulated equipment over the years that they are still using," said Whitley. "But most of the girls' teams have been organized less than five years and have not been able to accumulate as much equipment.

To insure fairness, every team is on a rotation basis. New uniforms are purchased for each team every four to six years, and equipment is purchased for each team when needed. Equipment, is shared, or common property. Tennis balls are shared equally by the girls' and boys' teams just as basketballs are shared



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## Hi-Noc-Ar Chooses New Staff Members

The newly elected officers of the Hi-noc-ar for the year 1976-77 are as follows: The Co-editors are Teresa Bulluck and Martha Cash. The Business Manager is Susan Collie; Advertisement Manager is Nan Reese. Johanna Lancaster and Curt Todd are the Co-circulation Managers.

equally by the girls' and boys' basketball teams. Uniforms are the only things that a team has sole possession of.

"The federal government said by passing Title IX that we must offer equal facilities and equipment to boys' and girls' teams," said Whitley. "But we have been striving to do that since the advent of girls' sports at Senior High."

The Hi-noc-ar also announces the new staff members for next year. They are: Allison Aldridge, Kaye Batts, Cheryl Bryant, Frank Bradsher, Carrie Clements, Terri Connor, Chipper Doyle, Teresa Everette, Lindi Fields, Clay Harris, Celia Horne, Mae Jackson, Janet Kitts, Kent King, Carol Lehman, Oie Osterkamp, Mark Pearsall, Mary Ward Robbins, Jack Todd, Joni Thrower, Clarence Wiggins, Starletta Wiggins, Amelia White, Melanie Morgan.

Mark Smith, who was this year's editor, said, "I feel that the newly elected officers have been tutored and have the capabilities of producing an excellent book. The students chosen are well qualified."

## Class of '76 To Graduate

The long awaited graduation exercises through which a student officially completes 12 years of primary education will be performed June 4, at the Municipal Stadium. The ceremony will commence at 8:00 involving approximately 400 students.

Highlights of the program will be a performance by the Chorus and three speeches presenting a brief resume of American education by Tonya Knight, Terri Gardner, and Gill Fountain.

The commencement exercises are open to the public. As a precaution in the case of rain each senior participating will be provided with four tickets for the admittance of his family into the Senior High Gymnasium.

Baccalaureate was conducted by the Rev. Lloyd Morris of the Mount Pisgah Presbyterian Church Sunday night, May 30 at 8:00 in the gymnasium.

Gryphon correction: Linda Morgan, not Linda Layton was the participant in the Italy trip.

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