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## Seniors To Present "One Wild Night"

### Senior Play Cast Of '43

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The Senior Class play *One Wild Night* must not have been too wild when given twenty-one years ago. Those who were in it, failed to recall many incidents about it.

Mr. Charlie Williams, now Judge for the Recorder's Court of Davidson County recalled only the title and that Calvin Wall walked around with a gun. He remarked, "He was a real good gangster."

"The part I really don't remember is having pajamas on and I'm sure that Jackie wasn't wearing them either. Oh well, old age makes one forgetful. This was brought to my attention when I attended dress rehearsal at Larry Young's last week.

When asked if he was anxious to see the new production he quickly said, "I wouldn't miss it for the world. I'm looking forward to it as much as I am for Wake Forest to beat DOOK again".

Jeanne Williamson, now Mrs. Fletcher Wall Jr., Lindy's mother, played the part of Charlotte Allen, the lead girl. "I didn't remember the name of the paper. I do remember we had a good time preparing for it. I am delighted to be able to view the play again and I hope parts of it will come back to me", she stated.

Miss Betty McCrary, now Mrs. Steve Parrott, played the part of sick Aunt Myra Opal Dodd. However, all she recalls is the ending. "I remember the ending because I love to ———. Must not tell! Might ruin the play for you!" she sweetly commented. "It's been a long, long time since I was a senior, but I'm sure our class was the best. However, I expect the play will be comparable to ours."

Walt Brinkley just plain didn't remember anything about the play, plot, or anything. "I am sure that Hugh Bingham will do a much better job than I. due to the fact that his dramatizations are so much better than mine. Especially on the basketball court when he waves his hands and fingers so gracefully.

"I'm truly looking forward to the performance, and for two reasons. To try to remember parts of the play and for the reunion of the old cast."

Jackie Thomason, now Mrs. Hoyt Sink, Barry's mother, couldn't remember anything but having a good time.

Upon hearing the name of the play her husband commented, "Sounds like your crowd. Just typical!"

"I'm sure I didn't wear pajama's though. I would have been much too embarrassed.

"Good luck, Seniors!"

"Didn't even think I was in it", laughed Giles Crowell. "I bet I had a good time though. I bet the ones doing it this year will too. Hope it is fun, Truls."

When Mr. Jimmy Holman was asked what he remembered about the play, he asked, "What am I supposed to remember after twenty-one years? No, don't answer that, because I don't remember anything except that I was a policeman, but I wouldn't bet my money on that.

"I'm sure that it will be better because you've got better actors. You see, if I was in it, they must not have had too many people trying out. Can't wait to see the spectacle!"

These seven were the only ones out of the seventeen characters that were able to be contacted. The others in the play of 1943 were Helen Nance, Bill Raker, Dick Peeler, Patti Siceloff, Sarah Gambrell, Bob Arnold, Doris Parker, Sarah Dabbs, Helen Mendenhall, and Calvin Wall. All of these will have reserved seats at both performances which begin at eight o'clock on March 13th and 14th.

1943	CHARACTERS	1964
Charlie Williams	Rodney Dodd	Doug Pritchard
Helen Nance	Henrietta	Libby Smith
Bill Raker	Dodwillow	Bob Philpott
Jeanne Williamson (Mrs. Fletcher Wall, Jr.)	Charlotte Allen	Joe Philpott
Betty McCrary (Mrs. Steve Parrott)	Aunt Myra	Teenie Sink
Dick Peeler	Dr. Bell	Terry Cecil
Patti Siceloff	Nurse Trent	Judy Jones
Walt Brinkley	Ned Steerwell	Hugh Bingham
Jackie Thomason (Mrs. Hoyt Sink)	Doris Winthrop	Judy Mauze
Sarah Gambrell (Mrs. E. P. Carson)	Maribelle	Harriette Hilton
Giles Crowell	Hawkins	David Beck
Bob Arnold	Dickens	Truls Bastiansen
Doris Parker (Mrs. W. L. Dudley)	Mrs. Rooley	Ruth Davis
Helen Mendenhall	Jade Darnelli	Larry Young
Calvin Wall	Scorpio	Harvey Fulbright
Jimmy Holman	Officer Brady	Andy Andrew

### SOPHOMORE CLASS GIVES ASSEMBLY

The Sophomore class presented their long-awaited assembly on February 19, 1964. With Emily Hedrick as Jackie Gleason they presented *The Jackie Gleason Show* and the *Lexington Scene Magazine*. The show came complete with the June Taylor Dancers, starring the sophomore boys; and Joe the Bartender with Crazy, Chip Holton. They also made a tour of Lexington, N. C. with Windown Blanton as guide. Some of the sights which

they saw were the great WBUY, The March Hilton, The Red Pig, and The Carolina Theater.

Truls Disen Batiansan played on the piano and received an extremely loud round of applause, while many other students received laughs at the jokes which Jackie Gleason kept poring out.

Mrs. Tate and Mrs. Myers the sophomore class sponsors deserve a great deal of credit for the remarkable job which they did.



"TYPICAL SOPHOMORES"?

### CAREER NIGHT SET FOR MARCH 24

L.S.H.S.'s annual Career Night will be held on March 24, from 7:30 to 9:00. As in the past, it will be held jointly with the other Davidson County high schools. Juniors and seniors are invited to the informing program, sponsored by the Student Council and the Lexington Kiwanis Club. This year they will be assisted by the newly-formed Career Club, advised by Mr. Pittman. Career Night will climax a week of activities concerning careers and professions.

A new approach has been added to this annual event. In many areas panel discussions will be included to present several views on a particular profession. Preparation, salary, specialization, chances for advancements, and many other interesting topics will be discussed along with the pros and cons of the vocations. The guest speakers will be outstanding leaders in various occupations.

Questionnaires have been distributed in homerooms, giving each student an opportunity to list his choices of a vocation. Business and professional leaders will be selected to represent the most requested careers. Every junior and senior should take advantage of this once-a-year opportunity to learn about his chosen career.

### SOPHOMORES TAKE HONORS IN ORATORICAL CONTEST

Lexington Senior High sophomores Al Shoaf and Randy Michael won first and second place trophies in the Lexington division of the Boy's Open Oratorical Contest, held Thursday night, February 20.

Al, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Shoaf, will represent the local club at the Zone Contest in Winston-Salem in March.

The second place winner, Randy, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Flynn Michael.

### TOP SENIORS ANNOUNCED

The valedictorian for the class of '64 is Betty Hemphill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Hemphill. Betty is a member of the Honor Society, Literary Club, French Club, and LEXICON Staff. Her average for her four years in high school is 97.97, giving her highest honors in her class.

Connie Beck is this year's salutatorian and has an average of 97.94 for her years in high school. Connie is president of the Literary Club, co-editor of the LEX-HILIT, and a member of the Honor Society and Tri-Hi-Y. Connie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cletus D. Beck.

This year the Senior Class has selected the play "One Wild Night" as their annual presentation. After the try-outs for the play were held, the following seniors were chosen: Doug Pritchard will play the part of Rodney Dodd, a healthy young man who thinks he is an invalid. Henrietta, Rodney's housekeeper will be portrayed by Libby Smith. The inventive butler, Jodwillow, will be Bob Philpott. Rodney's Aunt Myra Opal Dodd, will be played by Teenie Sink. Jo Philpott will portray Charlotte Allen, Aunt Myra's young companion. Dr. Bell, Terry Cecil, is the family doctor, and his assistant, Nurse Trent, Judy Jones. High Bingham will play the part of a young self-made hero, Ned Steerwell. Judy Mauze plays Doris Winthrop, the pretty object of Ned's untiring attention. Description of Hawkins and Dickens are moving men played by David Beck and Truls Disen Bastiansen. Harriette Hilton, will be Maribelle, Doris's roommate. Mrs. Rooley, President of Dexter School for Girls, played by Ruth Davis. Mrs. Batsom, will be Carolyn Hamilton, a public-spirited townswidow. Jade Darnelli, a night club singer will be portrayed by Larry Young. Harvey Fulbright, James Scorpio, is the town's leading gangster. Officer Brayder, a policeman will be played by Andy Andrew.

Rodney Dodd is a healthy young man who, because most of his ancestors have been neurotic invalids, refuses to believe he could live a normal life. He spends most of his time in a wheel chair taking medicines. Aunt Myra Opal Dodd comes to visit Rodney and everyone's attention is turned to her since she holds the strings to the pocketbook, and a beautiful traveling companion to boot. The girl, thinking Rodney is so very weak, will have nothing to do with him. Over hearing the doctor sizing the life of one of his plants, Rodney thinks he is talking about his own health. To gain Charlotte's, the traveling companion's, attention he decides to do a lot of brave heroic deeds. The play develops into a hilarious riot as Rodney starts his "good-deed" campaign. A series of events happen to only complicate matters and cause Rodney's more distress.

The play will be presented March 13th and 14th, at the Lexington Senior High auditorium, at 8:30 p.m. Adult admission will be one dollar; Senior High students, seventy-five cents; and grades one through eight, fifty cents.

### INTERESTED IN GOING TO NEW YORK

On March 18 some fortunate LSHS student will win an all-expense-paid trip to New York! This trip will be made possible by the Lexington Optomist Club.

If interested, see Miss Stallings, Room 6, this week. Materials are available to help each person in writing his speech.