

# The Lance

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## Enrollment Nears 1900 Mark

### LA Greets Exchange Student



Tony de Oliveira

This year's Exchange Student is a seventeen year old Portuguese boy named Tony de Oliveira. His home while in America will be at the Keith Schader's on Joandra Court here in Los Altos. Sarah Schader is a senior at Los Altos High School.

Tony speaks four languages: French, German, English, and Portuguese. He attended Collegio de Lanego School in Portugal. There the custom is that one attends four years of elementary school following these with seven years of high school. Tony has completed his high school education and will return to a university in Portugal when he is through with his year at Los Altos High.

His favorite spectator sport is hockey, which is played on roller skates in his country. He likes to play both hockey and soccer.

Tony is a bit shy about American girls yet, because they are much different from the girls in his country. The dating system there is much more restricted than America's relatively free one. Tony expects to take part in many activities while at LAHS, but he admits to some confusion in choice. His schools in Portugal were more limited in extra curricular organization and sports. Welcome to America, Tony!

The L.A.H.S. campus has boomed from a comfortable 1,600 to an almost smothering 1,885 since last year. All of these people jammed into this cramped thirty-eight acre school makes for a very crowded campus. Next year LA expects to have at least 2,200 students, but (sigh of relief) official rumor has it that the year after that there'll be two high schools, Truman Oaks and good "ole" L.A.H.S.

This year the seniors number 415 with the girls outnumbering the boys 230 to 185. (Too bad, girls, and with all the lower-class competition too!). The Squires (that's the Juniors) have 434 members. There are 231 girls and only 203 boys. The Pages (Sophomores) are the only class in which the boys actually outnumber the girls. The totals are 236 boys and 235 girls (it's not much, girls, but it's something! Please, don't poach on other territories!). There are 501 freshmen this year. The 267 girls outnumber the 234 boys by a (mere?) 33.

Even with the overcrowded school situation and the jammed halls full of pushing, desperate, tardy Johnnies and Janes, L.A.H.S. is delighted to welcome all new students.

### \$4 Studentbody Card Is Thrifty Buy For Knights

"Our goal for this year is 95% student body card membership," states Diane Berger, Sales Commissioner. "This percent will put L.A. in front of the competition from other schools and prove once more that the Knights are the greatest."

This small compact passcard of privileges and fun is on sale at all three lunch hours for \$4.00. The sale will continue through October 2.

Only holders of these remarkable little door-openers will be assured seats at the games. The population of the school makes empty seats a physical impossibility. Studentbody Cards are good for a year's subscription to the Lance, the school paper. They also admit members free to all the after-game dances and to all athletic games, and in the future only student body members (card holders) may run for office.

Diane Berger and her staff deserve credit for this campaign which included morning announcements, bulletin board reminders, and clever noon-time skits, as well as the hard work of sales and bookkeeping.

After October 2, cards may be bought from Mrs. Beverley House in the office.

This year the "Excalibur" will contain 20 extra pages for the same \$4.25. Phyllis Gugliotta, editor, says that this year's issue will have even more pictures and more color.

### President Ron Adler Calls LA 'Standout'

Ron Adler, fall president of the L.A.H.S. student body, begins his term in office with this message:

"On behalf of the L.A.H.S. student council I would like to extend an autumn welcome to all, especially to the freshmen and transfer students. They can look forward to an enjoyable as well as rewarding year in this great school."

"This past summer I had a chance to talk to students from all over the United States; without exception they all 'turned green' with envy when I told them about Los Altos High. We are blessed with unmatched opportunities in all aspects of school life: academics, athletics, recreation, and social activities. Let's really take advantage of them."



Studentbody President Ron Adler

# 29 New Teachers Swell LA Faculty Staff to 91



New Faculty Members

Row, 1 (left to right) Mrs. Marilyn Comstock, Miss Jo Anne Luck, Mrs. Betsy Marchand, Miss Judy Jones, Miss Nancy Sowder, Mrs. Joanne Feist. Row 2 (left to right) Mr. John Cox, Mrs. Janet Sharp, Mr. Robert Jones, Mr. Milton Schmidt, Mr. Delbert Smith.

## Frosh Reception Was Kickoff For Fall Fun

Last Friday, the LAHS gym was packed with an estimated crowd of 700 students. The occasion was the annual Frosh Reception. The theme, which was "Cards," was carried out in the decorations.

This year the dance was sponsored by the time-honored, (ha!), seniors. The students danced to the progressive music of Rex Baker, L.A. music teacher, and his band. Later in the evening, some of LAHS own student groups added to the evening program. First off was the Contemporary Jazz Quartet. Tom Harrell on trumpet, John Stachelhaus on trombone, Scott Gentry on bass, and Dan Barnett on drums compose this great little combo. Also the Nomads, a roving trio of senior boys, Eric Bickford, Dan Harrington, and Paul Kantner, sang folk songs.

Free refreshments were also served the hungry crowd later in the evening.

## Math Teachers Flew the Parabolic Curve to Chi.

Mr. Clarie Christensen, Mr. Roger Bagnall, and Mr. Don Kamprath left San Francisco, September 18th, for Chicago. They flew by jet and attended meetings concerning an experimental mathematics program. This program is now being tried in our school at three grade levels: freshman, junior and senior with one class at each level.

The program is sponsored by Yale University, under a grant from the National Science Foundation, and is known as the School Math Study Group. The courses developed under this program use the theory of sets to help explain and unify the basic fundamentals.

"I like it very much!" says Miss Ingrid Siebenhaar when asked her opinion of Los Altos High. She attended Stanford University where she obtained her degree in German. Her interests include literature and sports.

Mr. Ron Marciel, originally from Honolulu, is a graduate of Stanford. He is married and has one child. He teaches social living, but is also interested in sports, especially football. Mr. Marciel is very pleased with L.A.H.S.

Here is a teacher with a universally popular hobby—sleeping—He is Mr. Jack Cross. Mr. Cross is married and has two little girls. He attended the University of Utah and now teaches civics and Driver Training.

Mrs. Charlene Martin, a biology teacher, graduated from Stanford. She originally came from San Bernardino, but taught at San Leandro High School last year. She likes L.A.H.S. and is impressed by the interest students have shown in the academic work.

When asked what she thought of L.A.H.S., Miss Nancy Sowder replied, "I think it is a beautiful school, and I'm very happy here." She especially likes our open corridors. Miss Sowder attended Iowa State University. She teaches English I and II and Public Speaking I.

Mrs. Mara Steffey, one of the English IV teachers, is a mother of four children. She attended San Jose State and also taught there. She is interested in music, children, and archaeology! Mrs. Steffey thinks L.A.H.S. is a fine school.

Mrs. Martha Glennan was graduated from Pomona College where she obtained her teaching degree in English. She is interested in creative writing, photography, and tennis. Enthusiastically she states, "I like L.A. very much, both the faculty and students."

Mrs. Betsy Marchand, an English

III teacher, comes from Los Angeles. She taught previously in San Diego after attending Pomona. Mrs. Marchand used to be a ballerina! She says, "L.A.H.S. students are exceptionally well groomed and dressed."

Mr. Delbert Smith, sometimes called "Deb" moved to Los Altos from Salt Lake City. He attended Utah University and is now teaching typing and Driver Education. He likes the modern buildings and attractive grounds of Los Altos High and is impressed with the students.

Campusites will probably see Mrs. Joanne Feist rushing around Room 211 directing the production of the 1960 annuals. She also teaches English IV (in her spare time). She especially appreciates the eagerness of her journalism edition.

Mrs. Joyce Nower who teaches English III, states that L.A.H.S. is one of the best organized schools in her teaching career. She received her M.A. at Harvard and B.A. at Middleburg College in Vermont. Her extra curricular activities are swimming and theater-going.

Although she studied at Colorado University, Miss Eleanor Smith, a counselor and Social Living teacher, is a native daughter from Ventura. Her two major interests are people and sports. Her flattering opinion of L.A.H.S. is, "It's great."

Another "grammar-driver-inner" is English I teacher, Miss Jo Ann Luck, who graduated from Washington State. When asked her opinion of LAHS, she replied, "I am very favorably impressed with both the students and the faculty here."

Mrs. Gloria Wesley has a very unusual trait. She likes children; therefore, her students taking Spanish I may expect to be treated royally. Mrs. Wesley attended U. C. and San Jose State. She likes L.A.H.S. very much.

The new teacher seen among the

# Promise To Maintain Tough Work Schedule (Ugh!)



**New Faculty Members**

Left to right, Mr. Jay Rorick, Mr. Frank Bonzell, Mr. Ron Marciel, Miss Pat Dayton, Mr. Will Lamson, Miss Phyllis Morrow, Mr. Jack Cross, Miss Ingrid Siebenhaar, Miss Eleanor Smith.

The new teacher seen among the text books and library cards is Mrs. Marilyn Newman, the latest addition to the library staff. Mrs. Newman believes that L.A.H.S. has an excellent library and she is glad to see the students use it so often.

Another peppy P.E. teacher has found her way to L.A.H.S. Mrs. Pat Dayton, who graduated from Montana State, recently moved to Los Altos from Palo Alto. She is a devoted horse-lover and (believe it or not girls) she loves to loaf!

Miss Judy Jones, a Stanford graduate and a Southern California native, is no stranger to L.A. She did her student teaching here last year and wanted to continue her association with old friends. Although busy with her English I classes, she finds time for sports participation and is looking forward to winter skiing.

Mr. Milton Schmidt comes to us from Visalia, California, where he taught at Mt. Whitney High. Here at Los Altos he teaches Driver Training and also assists Mr. Stuart Ferguson with the "B" football team. Mr. Schmidt finds L.A.H.S. very enjoyable.

"I enjoy it," said Mr. Frank Bonzell about teaching at L.A.H.S. He teaches chemistry, geometry, and physics. The father of one son, Mr. Bonzell enjoys fishing, science, and spectator sports.

Mrs. Janet Sharp comes from Fresno where she attended Fresno State. She now teaches Physical Education and enjoys the L.A.H.S. coeds assigned to her classes. Her favorite sports are tennis and camping.

Mrs. Wahltraud Hammond comes from Germany where she attended the University of Freiburg. Because her interest in physical education ranges from health to theatrical dancing, she is happy to be teaching regular P.E. and dance.

"The students are great!" says Mrs. Marilyn Comstock. Mrs. Comstock graduated from Stanford, where she received two degrees in P.E. She likes to garden and to travel.

Mr. Robert Jones will be pounding facts and figures into the heads of future mathematicians as he teaches algebra and geometry. Besides using the standard compass and ruler in his free time, Mr. Jones dabbles in photography and golf.

Mr. John Cox, Jr., the father of two children teaches general math and general shop. He attended Stanford and was graduated in 1938. Mr. Cox says that he thoroughly enjoys his freshmen students. Golf is his favorite recreation.

Not only are some freshmen lost in the hugeness of the L.A. campus but also Mrs. Phyllis Morrow, English I teacher. Graduate of Denison University, Miss Morrow received her master's degree from Stanford.

From the frigid North (Oregon, that is) comes Mr. Jay Rorick, Senior Problems teacher. "I am thoroughly enjoying my teaching experience here," says this already popular teacher, who previously taught in Oregon. He is married and has three children.

Mrs. Neda Tomasovitch, music major from San Francisco State, lends a pleasant note to the art of linguistics in her French and German classes. She is pleased with her well-behaved students.

With her background of Belgian culture, Mrs. Joanne Hsu (Shoe) brings authentic reality into her French classes. While attending Stanford last year, Mrs. Hsu also student taught at L.A.

Last on the roster of newcomers is Mr. Will Lamson, geometry teacher and P.E. coach. He finds the student-body members above average, friendly and cooperative. He hails from San Jose State.

## Lynne Pfeiffer Led Frosh Orientation

The freshmen, 500 strong, were given a lively reception in the boys' gym on Freshmen Orientation Day.

On hand with warm greetings were Lynne Pfeiffer and Studentbody Vice President Larry Berger. The Freshmen were shown some of that great school spirit by the Yell Leaders and song leaders. The do's and don'ts of campus life were explained by the Senior guides on the conducted school tour.

Mrs. Nancy Cozzens, Director of Guidance, sponsored the event. Special thanks go to Lynne Pfeiffer, whose untiring efforts helped make this the best Frosh Orientation L.A.H.S. has ever had.

That evening the Girls' League held a Big Sister Party for all girl transfers. Each new student was given a hearty welcome by a big sister who was carefully chosen by the Girls' League Cabinet under the direction of Miss Frances Ewy, Dean of Girls.

## 8 English Teachers Will Weekend at Conference

Eight LA English teachers are leaving today for Asilomar, near Monterey, for a three day workshop session of the CCCTE, Central California Council of English Teachers. Mrs. Elizabeth Allen, Mr. Dick Daniel, Mrs. Ted Redinius, Miss Peggy Gorman, Mrs. Diana Boettcher, Mrs. Ann White, Miss Phyllis Morrow, and Miss Gloria Glissmeyer are participating. They will attend special workshops in various areas of English work. These eight teachers will be a part of the 1,000 English teachers from Central California.

## Knight Life



With the start of school there seems to be plenty of chatter buzzing around campus. What's with the gloomy looks from some of the junior and senior girls?? Too much confusion or is it competition? Latest in gag parties was the first-day-of-school gag fests when at 5 a.m. thirty-five girls were kidnaped from their beds! Thanks, Carol Lee . . . Jackie Johnson went home from school that afternoon and found forty-five mermaids swimming around in a puddle of water in her backyard . . . what a whale of a time, huh, girls? Sharon Peterson and twenty of her friends gave a surprise party for Carol Shubert. Happy late birthday, Carol . . . Jackie Johnson, we hear you had company when you were giving your bread-and-butter speech at the Legion Hall? Boys, you shouldn't have . . . We hear Carol Schmitt and Jan Woods had a surprise party for Carolyn Tucker last Friday—Senior style! It's said that Shirley Abney was signed up by the Giants!! Sara Schader had a drop-in style party for our new Exchange Student last Sat! Thanks from the gang . . . Lynn Phieffer and Carol Schmitt measured the Gym floor in body lengths—run out of tape measures? Suzy Melquest and Erica Duvenc left last week for the far East. Bud, we hear you didn't want to take out some of our freshmen girls! Such individualism! We are sure the girls P. E. teachers are delighted with the girls but, oh, the sore muscles. Many L.A.H.S. students were seen at the Santa Clara fair last week-end having a blast . . . Someone suggested that they put a stop light in the main hall . . . adults have no sense of humor! Well, Froshettes, what did you think of the freshman reception?? Many of the junior and soph girls said you did ALRIGHT! L.A.Y.C. had a big turn out Sat. night . . . Some night . . . Bill Clark had a party for some of his friends. Well, back to the old grind, study certainly interferes with living!

## Ron Adler Describes His Summer in Norway Found Customs There Not Too Different

Ron Adler, L.A.H.S. American Field Service Exchange Student now has two families. One is in Los Altos and the other one he left in Norway after spending the summer with them.

Last June, Ron left by plane from San Francisco and joined other A.F.S.-ers at the New Yorker Hotel in the heart of Manhattan. After enjoying the sights, Ron and 800 fellow A.F.S. students boarded the "S. S. Zuiderkruis."

During the nine days on ship, he took classes in Norwegian and country orientation. The ship stopped at Le Havre and the next day at Rotterdam, where he disembarked.

On the first day traveling by himself he found the people extremely friendly and eager to talk. That night he began the 30-hour train ride to Oslo, an interesting, but exhausting trip.

During his eight week stay with the Holm family in Rosendal, he found excellent fishing and hiking his major activities. His foster brother, 18, and foster sister, 17, also accompanied him to the movie theater, used on some occasions for a public dance hall. One of the chief social differences in Rosendal is the order of meals. At 2:00, the dinner of the day is served, and at 9:00, a small cold snack.

At the end of the summer, the A.F.S. group in Norway gathered together and spent one week at a hotel in the high mountain country. Between sleeping and hiking the students found time to discuss their experiences. Before heading back to Rotterdam, they spent two days in Oslo, during which time they had receptions at the American Embassy and the City Hall. Ron describes the return voyage on the "S.S. Groote Beer" as a "blast".



Ron Adler

## Great Plays On TV

In connection with the English classes, freshmen through senior year, the following plays which will be shown on television during the next year may tie-in with literature assignments:

- "Winterset" by Maxwell Anderson (NBC, Oct. 26)
- "Turn of the Screw" by Henry James (No date yet)
- "Moon and Sixpence" Somerset Maugham (NBC, Oct. 30)
- "What Makes Sammy Run" by Budd Schulberg (NBC Sept. 27)
- "Don Quixote" by Cervantes (CBS, Nov. 9)
- "A Doll's House" by Henrik Ibsen (NBC, Nov. 15)
- "The Killers" by Ernest Hemingway (CBS, Nov. 19)
- "Oliver Twist" by Charles Dickens (CBS, Dec. 4)
- "Our Town" by Thornton Wilder (NBC, Jan. 8)
- "Arrowsmith" by Sinclair Lewis (CBS, Jan. 17)
- "Ethan Frome" by Edith Wharton (CBS, Feb. 11)
- "The Tempest" Shakespeare (NBC, May 2)



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# Do Bully Boys Hurt Frosh Morale

Traditionally the hazing of entering freshmen is an accepted practice on many high school campuses, and if it is kept under control it can be fun. But if hazing is overdone by the bully boys, newcomers develop a resentment toward the whole school.

Recently there has been an outbreak of unpleasant demonstrations in the halls at L.A. Ironically many of the tormentors are sophomores who were themselves victims last year, but an occasional "mature-type" junior or senior joins the jolly sport. After the dignity of orientation and the enthusiastic welcome of the reception the freshmen are confused. Which attitude represents the real L.A.? Certainly not the pushing, shoving, and rudeness of the bully boys! The majority of the upperclassmen are glad to have you aboard, Frosh.

Perhaps you guilty lads will be interested in the analysis of your activity by experts of adolescent psychology: "The tendency to this type of behavior is present only in the younger frustrated adolescent." So if the shoe fits wear it, but don't be too proud of yourself.

To the freshmen, the many responsible Knights say, "Welcome! Please don't judge L.A.H.S. by its few misfits!"

## Clubs Invite Newcomers to Join

The Chalk Dusters, the Future Teachers Club, is open to any student who is interested in becoming a teacher. This active club, sponsored by Mr. Roger Bagnall, spends many hours visiting the local elementary schools.

The Plumes, a new club this year, will play an active role in fall rooting sections when they form the big blue K. and help with rallies and decorations. This is open for new members.

The Pep Club, under the direction of Mr. Robert D'Spain, plans the refreshments at games and helps with the decorations. It will sponsor a school dance on October 30. New members are invited.

The California Scholarship Federation (CSF) is an honorary scholarship society open to all students who earn a grade point average of 10. The big fall project, the Rummage Sale, which supports the foreign exchange student program, is first on the CSF work schedule.

The French Club, under the direction of Mrs. Melba Anderson, will enjoy an active year highlighted by the French Club dinner.

Also newly organized is the German Club, sponsored by Mrs. Neda Tomasevich.

The Hi-Lites, under the direction of Mrs. Susan Pillsbury (the ex-Miss Weisal), plans an active year of camping and fun.

## Classy Chassis



One of the big stand-outs in the L.A.H.S. parking lot is Bob Owen's frost blue '59 Corvette.

Bob's Corvette has a 245 h.p. engine in it with progressive linkage on twin, four-barrel carburetors. Also the engine has finned aluminum rocker-arm covers to prevent the engine from over heating. For extra speed, Bob has a Corvette four-speed, close-ratio, synchro-mesh transmission, fully synchronized in all forward gears with a manually operated control mounted on the floor. The Corvette has Positraction with 4:11.1 rear end. Mounted on the rims are 6.70-15 white side walls.

For luxury and comfort, the Corvette has foam rubber - padded, blue Naugahyde bucket seats with individually adjustable controls.

Bob's plans are to have a full-race cam and lake plugs installed in the near future. After the equipment has been installed, Bob is going to try his Corvette down at the time trials at Pebble Beach. Good Luck, Bob.

## Last Laugh

WRONG WAY, DID YOU SAY?



Boy: "Darling . . . er . . . there has been something trembling on my lips for the last few weeks."

Girl: "Well, shave it off."

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Recruiting Officer: "When were you born?"

No reply.

"I say, when is your birthday?"

(Sullenly): "Wot do you care? You ain't gonna give me nothin'!"

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A South American was describing his country to an American woman. "Our most popular sport is bull-fighting," he told her.

"Isn't that revolting?" she asked.

"No," smiled the man, "that's the second most popular sport."

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1st Boy: "How old are you?"

2nd Boy: "I'm five. How old are you?"

1st Boy: "I don't know."

2nd Boy: "Do you like girls?"

1st Boy: "No."

2nd Boy: "You're four."

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Panting and perspiring, two men on a tandem bicycle at last got to the top of the steep hill.

"That was a stiff climb," said the first man.

"It sure was," answered the other man. "And if I hadn't kept the brake on, we would have gone backward."

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One day a lion was walking through the jungle and he came across a bull. He was so hungry, he ate the bull. Then he was so happy he started to roar, louder and louder, until a hunter came along and shot him.

Moral. When you're full of bull, keep your mouth shut.

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Boy to his Date: "I used to be conceited but now I'm perfect."

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General! Does the Sergeant know the trench has fallen in?"

Private: "No, sir, we're digging him out now to tell him."

# Los Altos II Prepares For Winning Season

Tonight Los Altos starts off the 1959 football season against Buchser High School. Buchser, along with Del Mar, are the two new schools in the S.C.V.A.L. league, which now numbers 10 schools.

The Varsity coaches, Tom Burt and Jim Reagan, are looking forward to an outstanding season. Head Coach Tom Burt states, "This is the first year that all the boys reported to practice in top physical shape." With Lohs Altos' new wing "T" formation and the excellent condition of the team, the coaching staff has quickly ironed out the bugs and are hopeful for a successful season. Bad luck has dogged LA Varsity Teams of recent years but last season's smashing conclusion (a 16-0 victory over Sunnyvale, seems to have broken the losing streak.

Returning lettermen are: Jim McCracken, an all-league end switched to R.H.; Mike Chubb, another all-league veteran playing R.H.; Steve Barber, a fullback with speed; Pete Robison, last year's fleet-footed quarterback, playing L.H.; Joel Moore, an experienced center; Scott Lewis, a hard fighting left guard; and Max Leetzow, a big left tackle. Many of the potential greats of the '59 squad are veterans of last year's hard-fighting B and J.V. teams.

The Varsity is well set with 35 players all of whom are in good shape and eager to start the victory drive toward the Buchser goal posts. The probable starting lineup is listed in the next column.

## PROBABLE STARTING LINE-UP

Mark Young, 175, Sophomore, JV experience, L.E.  
 Max Leetzow, 194, Junior, Varsity and JV experience, L.T.  
 Randy Schneider, 205, Soph., JV experience, possible L.T.  
 Scott Lewis, 170, Senior, Varsity and B experience, L.G.  
 Joel Moore, 185, Junior, Varsity and B experience, C.  
 Duncan Blue, 165, Senior, B experience, R.G.  
 John Anderson, 160, Jr., JV experience, R.G.  
 Gary Chiotto, 200, Senior, Varsity and B experience, R.T.  
 Renn Potter, 170, Junior, transfer from Sacramento, End.  
 Bob Croshaw, 165, Junior, B experience, Q.B.  
 Barry Kankle, 170, Senior, B experience, Q.B.  
 Pete Middlekauf, 170, Sophomore, B experience, Q.B.  
 George Thacher, 165, Junior, JV experience, Q.B.  
 Pete Robison, 170, Senior, Varsity and B experience, L.H.  
 Bob Owen, 160, Jr., B experience, another possible L.H.  
 Steve Barber, 170, Senior, Varsity and B experience, F.B.  
 Mike Chubb, 165, Senior, Varsity and B experience, R.H.  
 Jim McCracken, 180, Sr., Varsity and B exp., possible R.H.

## THE KNIGHT VARSITY SCHEDULE

Sept. 25	Buchser	S.C.
Oct. 2	Del Mar	M.V.
Oct. 9	Fremont	M.V.
Oct. 16	Camden	Camden
Oct. 23	Santa Clara	M.V.
Oct. 30	Campbell	Campbell
Nov. 6	Sunnyvale	M.V.
Nov. 13	Mountain View	M.V.
Nov. 20	Los Gatos	M.V.

## Song Girls, Yell Leaders Ready For Rooters



The gaiety of game time and halftime will sparkle with the flashing enthusiasm of three groups: Varsity Cheerleaders, 130 Cheerleaders, and Song Girls. According to these girls, many things are planned for this year. They have scheduled eight rallies throughout the season. These will be held during 6th period. Other rallies will be during brunch and the different lunch hours. There will be skits put on, a jazz rally, and a great homecoming rally and parade.

There will be many things on sale to boost the school spirit, like pom poms, rooter's caps, shoe pom poms, white

sweat shirts, victory buttons, and L.A. pennants. This year the rooting section will be new and different. A big "K" stands out against a white background.

Pictured above are these three groups in the costumes they will wear on tonight's opener against Buchser. Row 1 (l to r) the 130's, Cindy Coltrin, Kathy Gardiner, Kathy Coltrin; Row 2 (l to r) the Varsity, Susie Brodie, Jackie Johnson, Barbara Glidden, Connie Hicks; Row 3 (l to r) the Song Girls, Joanne Boyd, Sharon Egan, Kathy Hoover, Diane Roberts, and Nancy Alton.

# Mermen Start Drive For '59 Championship



Waterpolo Mainstays

Unlimited action is expected from these established players in the coming competition in Waterpolo. Clockwise left to right starting with the ball: George Stransky, Tom Tibbs, Bill Parker, Bob Benson, Dave Weeks, Ed Tarbell, Gary Stoecker.

The Los Altos High School Varsity Waterpolo team flashes into the competition picture with some of the finest players to highlight the 1959-60 season. The first game of the year is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. this afternoon against Sequoia at Sequoia's pool.

In an effort to gain a third straight championship for LA, Coach Nort Thornton will rely on Ed Tarbell, Bill Parker, and Dave Weeks, all of whom were league choices last year.

For today's game, Coach Thornton will use lettermen Tom Tibbs, Dan Haut, Gary Stoecker, Bob Benson, and George Stransky on the proposed starting lineup.

Coach Thornton had one of the largest and most enthusiastic turn-outs for waterpolo this year as 54 eager and able, hopeful boys showed up to help L.A. win another victorious season. Twenty-one are on the Varsity team, while the remaining 34 will play on the Junior Varsity.

The L. A. Knights are favored to take the league title again this year although some tough competition is expected from Menlo Atherton, Santa Clara and James Lick.

L.A. will play the San Jose State Frosh and the California Junior Varsity.

## Susan Harrell Heads Fall GAA Activities

G.A.A. is off to a smashing start this year with the planning of the Mother-Daughter Awards Banquet on November 19. President Susan Harrell and her cabinet, Vice President, Ronda Dexter, Secretary-Treasurer, Kathy James and Activity Point Commissioner, Kathy Foy are revealing all the plans for the coming school year.

Any girl can join G.A.A., which means Girl's Athletic Association, for the small amount of 25 cents yearly. Sports will start in two weeks, and dues can be paid at this time.

You can get in touch with any of these girls for your favorite sports: Softball, Suzie Massic; Hockey, Lynn Phillips; Tennis, Georgann Milovina; Badminton, Judy Brant; Swimming, Kathy Tarbell and Noreen Grandi; synchronized swimming, Karen Browne and Sandy McCandless.

One of the traditional dances at L.A.H.S. is the popular Twirp Dance. This dance will be held on March 4, but the attire is still kept a secret! Come on girls, join G.A.A. and have fun!

## C Hoopsters Defeat Washington 28 - 22

It was a happy day last week for the L.A.H.S. Knights' C Basketball team when they beat Washington High School 28 to 22.

The light Knights of L.A.H.S. are off to a wonderful season due to their victory over W.H.S. much to the delight of Coach Delbert Smith. Team member Bob Means said last Thursday's success was the result of team effort. With team spirit such as this, the players can be assured of a successful season.

The starting line-up was as follows: Bob Means, G, Ray Yoshida, G, Bill Gross, F, Eric Miller, C. The high point honors were taken by forward Duncan Edwards.

The returning lettermen from last year's "C" team are Ray Yoshida, Bob Means, Bill Gross, Eric Miller, Phil Crocker, and John Finney. The C basketball team began its season last Thursday and will continue until late October.

Come out and see your lightweights in action!

## Robin Ruble Sparks Cross Country Team

The Knight Cross Country team is working toward a year of victory under the watchful eyes of Coach Leo Long, who also coaches spring track and field events. Already one of the top three teams in the country, timewise, the L.A. squad is now showing great promise of capturing the national record. Robin Ruble, regarded as the second best 880 man in the United States with a record time of 1:24, and Dave Boore, who turns a 4:23 mile, will lead the Knights into action this year. Some other outstanding members are: Dick Wolen, Chris Miller, Larry Berger, and Tom Burton. Other promising runners are Bob Drake, Mark Leonard, Pete Berger, Dave Studley, Rich Bufano and Ronny Renshaw.

Meets will be held at the Stanford golf course starting in October. There will be eight meets, one per week. On October 10, five of our top runners will participate in the Sacramento Invitational Meet.

# Fall Round Table Organizes For Action



Row 1: L to R—Carolee Shradel, Diane Berger, Nancy Fuller, Tory Stevens.  
Row 2: L to R—Ron Adler, Marilyn Pratt, Bonnie Miller, Larry Berger, Judy Dykstra.

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JUDY

Winners of this weeks elections completed the roster for the fall semester. The second branch of the Roundtable, the Senate, roll calls with the following victors:

## SENIOR SENATORS

Linda Halliday, Steve Barber (runoff)

Sharon Miller  
Gayle Frost  
Jane Johnson  
Jeane Elliot  
Karen Glycer

## JUNIOR SENATORS

Connie Hicks  
Pat Plenn

Jeff Eikenberry  
Bob Larrabee  
Doris Darrow  
Chan Woodrum

Barbara Glidden

## SOPHOMORE SENATORS

Noreen Grandi  
Chris Darrow

Ann Rockwell  
Pam Walton

Steve Woodcocke

Barbara Moore, Pete Berger (runoff)

Frances Atkinson

## FRESHMAN SENATORS

Louise Elliot

Pam Mangesth  
Sandra Mozart

Frances Stoya  
Mary Glycer

Diana Wilkens  
Gloria Glidden

Carol Bole, Nancy Jaschke, R. O.  
Phil Kelly, Walter Kell, R. O.

## JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS

President: Ted Baer

Vice-President: Bob Croshaw

Secretary: Ann Sorenson

Treasurer: Lois Collins, Sandy Evans (runoff)

## SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS

President: Sue Mack

Vice-President: Lindsay Parker

Secretary: Sandy Johnson, Ruth Younker

(run-off)

Treasurer: Jacque Adelman, Francesca Mecia

(runoff)

## FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS

President: Tom Church, Craig Fraser (run-off)

Vice-President: Sue Jones

Secretary: Pam Lyman

Treasurer: Pam Frankhouser

## RERUN RESULTS

Junior class treasurer: Sandy Evans.  
Sophomore class secretary: Ruth Younker.

Sophomore class treasurer: Jacque Adelman.

Freshman class president: Tom Church.

Senior senators: Steve Barber, Joe Mecia, Jane Johnson.

Sophomore senators: Barbara Moore.

Freshman senators: Phil Wally, Carol Bale.

## Duties of Individual Cabinet Officers Varied; Range From Publicity to Patrol to Budget

The cabinet is the executive body of our student government. In it, there are nine separate offices. The Cabinet, along with the Senate, make up our student government. Each officer in the Cabinet has special duties which he must perform.

The President, **Ron Adler**, presides over meetings of both the Cabinet and the roundtable. He arranges for Student Body Elections, prepares the agenda for meetings when necessary, is a permanent member of the Budget Committee, and in the absence of the Vice-President acts as chairman of the Senate.

The Vice-President, **Larry Berger**, is chairman of the Citizenship Committee and the Senate, and presides over the Cabinet in the absence of the President.

The Secretary, **Carolee Shradel**, keeps the minutes of all cabinet and roundtable meetings and turns in the completed minutes into the office at the close of the term. She also takes care of any necessary correspondence and assists in the preparation of the agenda.

The Treasurer, **Marilynn Pratt**, keeps a record of the money transactions of the student body. She is Chairman of the Budget Committee and makes monthly reports to the Cabinet.

The Activity Points Commissioner, **Judy Dykstra**, is the Chairman of the Activity Points Committee and keeps a record of the activity points earned by the students.

The Sales Commissioner supervises

all sales of student body concerns. Our Sales Commissioner is **Diane Berger**.

The school functions commissioner is chairman of the Calendar Committee. He sets up the school activity calendar and directs all school functions. Our school Functions Commissioner is **Nancy Fuller**.

The Publicity Commissioner publicizes all school events. Our Publicity Commissioner is **Bonnie Miller**.

The Welfare Commissioner, **Tory Stevens**, is president of Block L.A. and a member of the student court and of the Budget Committee. He supervises the work of the Student Patrol, serves as Parliamentarian for student body meetings, and presides over the Senate and Cabinet in the absence of both the President and Vice-President.

The Student Body rules are enforced by the Student Patrol. The head of our Student Patrol is our Welfare Commissioner, **Tory Stevens**. Any boy who wishes to serve in this organization must contact the Welfare Commissioner and then be approved by the student council. A Student Patrol member will issue a citation to anyone who is caught disobeying one of the student body rules. The citation will then be turned over to the Student Court. The Student Court is made up of three seniors, two juniors and one freshman. Anyone who receives a citation must appear before the court for questioning. Then if he is found guilty the court will decide his punishment.