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Gorman Gaels Recapture State Crown



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Today's Assembly:

NHS CHARTER MEMBERS INDUCTED; PRINCIPAL BLESSES JR. CLASS RINGS

Class of '64 Receives Rings Today

The coveted symbol of upper-class dignity, the class ring, was today conferred upon the class of '64. After calling the blessing of the Giver of spiritual favors upon the rings and their wearers, and begging the grace of eternal salvation "by the power of heavenly protection" on the members of the Junior Class, Father distributed the red and gold bands to each member of the class.

Red, the symbol of charity, colors the faceted stone on the unusual square cut band and mirrors the Crest cover, proving the unanimous selection of charity as the class virtue.

The impressive ceremony, a tradition begun by the present Senior Class, also contained a short history of the uses of the ring through the ages, from the time of the Egyptians to the present day. Rings have been used for centuries for every-



Members of the National Honor Society include, seated left to right, Louisa McDonald, Richard Hiegel, Pat Crowley, Bob Miller, R. J. Heher, Janice Emhouser, Kay Courtney. Standing left to right are Rosan Phillips, Frank Campbell, and Maureen Clay. Not pictured are Bob Hill and Rene Troxel.

VELARDO AND HOEFLING CHOSEN TO TRAVEL TO GIRLS STATE

Karen Hoefling and Pat Velardo have been chosen to represent BGHS at the annual session of Girl's State in Reno, this year. Sponsoring the girls for the week of June 20-26 are the American Legion Auxiliary and the Catholic Daughters of America. The candidates are selected on the basis of leadership, character, courage, honesty, scholarship, cooperativeness, and physical fitness. Janice Crosato and Kathy McBride will act as alternates.

Included at the convention, to be held at the University of Nevada, are representatives from all the high schools in the Nevada area. At the conclusion of the conclave, one outstanding girl will be sent to Girl's Nation in Washington, D.C. The purpose is to provide citizenship training for students of high school age and to afford them the opportunity to live together as self-governing citizens. They will be informed of the duties, privileges, rights, and responsibilities of American citizenship in order that they may understand more clearly and justify

12 Seniors Open First Chapter

Father William Anson, Principal, today formally inducted twelve senior students as charter members of the Bishop Dwyer Chapter of the National Honor Society. In a short address he acquainted the entire student body with the background and requirements of this national organization.

In order to qualify for membership in this society, he said that the students must be outstanding not only for their scholastic averages but also for their character, leadership, and service.

As a part of the impressive ceremony the principal bestowed upon the members satin pendants bearing the emblem of the NHS—blue for the girls and white for the boys—which will be worn again only at graduation.

Charter members of the newly organized chapter included: Frank Campbell, Maureen Clay, Kay Courtney, Patty Crowley, Janice Emhouser, Richard Heher, Richard Hiegel, Robert Hill, Louisa McDonald, Robert Miller, Rosan Phillips, and Rene Troxel.

This society, directed by a National Council of nine members, three of whom are chosen each year by the National Association of Secondary School Principals, encourages the



Congratulations

"It is with pride that I accept, in the name of all the members of Gorman High School, this State Championship Trophy of the 'A' Division . . . and I wish to commend most particularly those team members whose scholastic average indicates that they are participating fully in school life and not neglecting the main purpose for which they are here."

Rev. William Anson
Principal of BGHS

READ THIS:

Let me try something.

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Yes, just as I expected.

The minute I mentioned the word—even before—you stopped reading, banned this editorial as dry, and proceeded to turn the page. The only reason that I knew that you would is because that is exactly what I would have done myself. There is really nothing unphenomenal about your action. I anticipated it, and that is what makes it so terrible. . . . Everybody does it. In its defense I would like to say it is only natural, as no one likes to be preached at. This is especially true during Lent.

But why? What are we afraid of? . . . Words? Of course not. It is more substantial than that. Words are easy to ignore. Then it is because of what the words often say, which hits home, that we have learned to shun them like poison. And I mean "learn," because hiding from reality is not something which we are born with; it is something that we develop in the course of our years. Some might say it is our self-protective instinct at work, keeping us away from things which displease us, annoy us, or hurt our pride. This is the reason why spiritual writings, helpfully trying to give use the benefit of a lesson, are avoided. We are afraid of finding something out about ourselves that we would rather not know.

It is our religion that teaches us that these fears are ungrounded, gives us faith to fight the unknown and hope that when our days comes and we meet our fears face to face, we will have the strength to win the battle.

You know what? I've just been preaching, the very last thing I meant to do in this editorial. It just goes to show you that no matter how little you know, you've always got to tell it to somebody.

Louisa McDonald
Editor-in-Chief

Calendar

March 25—Assembly — NHS induction — Junior Class Rings
26—Armed Forces Panel for Senior boys
30—Baseball game with Vegas

April 4—University of Nevada Band Assembly
6-7—Senior Class Play
11—Easter Vacation begins
18-19—Teacher's Institute at Ely
20—Junior Prom
22—Easter Vacation ends

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The students and faculty of Bishop Gorman High School extend their sincere sympathy and prayers to

Lenten Calendar

April 11—Holy Thursday
12—Good Friday

GUMPDITTY ON GORMAN

My name is Orville J. Gumpditty. As a recent visitor to your model institution, I made some very interesting over-all observations. Prior to my visit, I did some research into the annals of BGHS to determine the spirit status of the "Home of the Mighty Gaels." I was quite pleased to find that your school was given such coveted awards at the 1962 Zone Tournament Spirit Trophy, two consecutive State Basketball Championships, and three Zone titles. These are truly feats of great prestige. Naturally, I was quite curious to find out how you reacted on your home court.



On the day of my visit, the student body participated in a spirit-raising, soul-lifting, pep rally. Taking into consideration the merits of your past record, I was fully prepared for a rafter-shaking, roof-collapsing response on the part of the students. Upon entering the gym, I thought my eyes had deceived me. I had to glance around quite a few times. My first impression of the girls was that they were members of the B.G.C.S.F.M.H. (Bubble Gum Chewers Society For Middle Aged Horses). Their

mouths were going a mile-a-minute, chomping and chewing as if they were made of elastic. Occasionally, one of the girls would interrupt her "train of chew" to talk to the nearest available ear. Many were following the motions of the cheerleaders. Others were fussing with their hair and applying warpaint as if it were going out of style. The way in which a few of the group were looking at those men of their dreams across the room was similar to that of the "last of the lonely spinsters" waiting to trap her knight in shining armor.

As for the Sir Lancelots of the assembly, they too were adding their share of enthusiasm to the "enlightening hour." Some of them were so busy playing "Who's Got the Sophomore?" that they failed to notice the adoring looks being given to them by the Amorous Amys across the gym. At this point, I didn't know which was louder, the band, the cheering, or the laughing, which seemed as though was aimed at a trio that was performing in the middle of the floor. Of course, one explanation for their behavior could be that the boys were exhausted and "out of sorts." This could also explain that when a few men of stature made their way to the microphones, some of the boys failed to stand up—a gesture which gives due respect to authority.

As the assembly came to a close, I took one last glance at the student body and said to myself, "Orville, my boy, maybe it was just one of those days!"

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