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"And when your sorrow is comforted
(Time soothes all sorrow)
You will be content that you have known me
You will always be my friend."

--from The Little Prince

The students and faculty of H.H.S. have lost more than a principal. We have lost two friends. The sorrow at the loss of a friend is a feeling which can hardly be expressed in words. Sentences written on paper nor spoken from the mouth could ever truly express what we all feel in our hearts.

It is true that time will soothe our sorrows. As time passes we will begin to look beyond the grief and look back upon the many memories Mr. and Mrs. Foreman have left us. For eight years they were part of our community, devoting their lives to their church, the community, and the youth of Harrisburg. To work with young kids takes interest and a genuine concern for people. This was definitely true of the Foremans. Since Mr. Foreman has been principal of our high school, the student-administration communication has been one which many schools envy. Students felt free to discuss their problems, for Mr. Foreman was always willing to listen. We will miss him immensely, and see him throughout our school for quite some time. Memories will be with us... the lectures we used to get when we would get a little too rowdy during assemblies; the purple and white H.H.S. hat he used to wear to all the sports events; the meaningful prayers said before a holiday or special event; Mr. and Mrs. Foreman as the first people on the dance floor at prom or homecoming. These are the things they would want us to look back on, not at the tragedy which occurred recently. We shall remember their life, not their death.

Probably the greatest tribute which can be said about human beings is that in their life-time they enriched others' lives. Mr. and Mrs. Foreman were two people who touched each and every one they came in contact with. Now we shall all use the knowledge and warmth they shared with us to pick up and continue our lives, offering to others what they gave so freely to us.

Ramona Stilley and Sarah Curtis

Policy of the Press

The purpose of The Purple Clarion is to inform the students of current issues and to improve communications between students and teachers. The paper will try to publicize upcoming school events and past school activities and projects. It should meet the needs for publicity within the school community.

The Purple Clarion is a high school paper written by high school students. Editorials are signed and express the writer's opinion. It is hoped that they reflect the spirit of the school. Opinions of students, teachers, administrators, and parents can be expressed in letters to the editor. These must be signed; however, the name will be withheld upon request.

The opinions expressed in this paper are not necessarily the views of the administration of the school or Unit District.

Editorial

THIS IS DOERGE

Monday, November 27

As I sit here putting finishing touches on my column, all I really have on my mind is the tragedy we have just been through. This edition of the paper was intended for Nov. 30 all along, and except for the memorial page it is as was planned earlier. Although working today isn't easy, we feel that carrying on with our jobs at school is what Mr. Foreman would have wanted.

I would like to start out by congratulating the football team on a victorious season. Our team's victories in football have given us a big boost in school spirit. The excitement and pride felt by all are something we shall long remember. Events such as the trip back from Danville really show how we feel about our team. There seemed to be an endless stream of cars and buses full of screaming fans. Bulldogs, you may have lost at Danville, but you're still number 1.

The girls' volleyball team has also had a very good year, ending their season with the exciting win in the Harrisburg Invitational. I hope the basketball teams have as good a year as both the volleyball and football teams have had.

To all juniors, I would like to congratulate you on your magazine sale. You may have had a slower start, but at last you made your goal, \$12000, the highest ever in H.H.S. Also as a junior, I would like to challenge the sophomores and freshman classes to match and beat our total. We should have a great prom.

In closing, I would like to thank all students and faculty members who have expressed their opinions on what they think about the paper. I would like to encourage all students and teachers to tell us what you like and don't like in your school newspaper. After all, the paper is for you the reader to enjoy. We have not yet designated a box for letters to the editor and written comments about the paper, but you may still write them and give them

to Mrs. Clemmons or me. Within the next few weeks, we hope to have a box for your personal comments.

I would like to thank all the devoted Purple Clarion members who have spent long hours working on this paper: Jerri Frese, Jerry Goolsby, Marina Antoline, Ramona Stilley, and Sarah Curtis.

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THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving has come and gone this year just as it has every year since I can remember. Your Thanksgiving Days may not be exactly like mine but I'm sure that a few things are the same. Let me try to guess what happened at your house on November 23, and what will happen every year on this holiday.

It always begins when grandma or some other relative grabs you and squeezes you so tightly that you can't breathe. Then she gives you a big kiss and says, "My, how you've grown!" Somehow everyone always survives this humiliation.

Then you have the same old things to eat that you had last year at this time, turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce, pumpkin pie, and much, much more. It's amazing that few people get tired of this menu. When everyone is full, the fathers, grandfathers, and uncles relax and watch football while the mother, grandmother, and aunts talk. They talk about the "good old days", tell cute stories about incidents which happened when you were a small child (that can be embarrassing) and discuss your future.

The rest of the day is filled with equally exciting things. The sun finally sets and the relatives drive away. Then you collapse on the couch or any other restful place. Suddenly a little brother or sister says, "I can't wait till next year!"

Cammy Cox

REVIEW

"The Eyes of Laura Mars"

If you have an "eye" for adventure and excitement, you should see The Eyes of Laura Mars. It's a suspenseful, terrifying, and fascinating murder mystery, starring Faye Dunaway. E.S.P., beautiful women, violence, and sex make up the well-written plot. Each part is portrayed to its fullest. It keeps the audience on the edge of their seat. The human mind races for the clue to "who did it." People will be surprised by the shocking and dramatic ending. "See you at the movies."

Rena Scott

MAGIC

"Magic"; the title is misleading but the movie is not. It's a suspense thriller and love story. Anthony Hopkins is the leading character who plays his part to the hilt. With scenes as gripping as those of Alfred Hitchcock's "Psycho", You'll think it's only a dream. "Magic" is one of those movies that will scare the popcorn out of you. Don't miss it.

DENVER'S DYNAMITE!

Thank God I'm a Country Boy! But the "kid's gone rock-n-roll," too. How's that for versatility? John Denver put on a super-terrific concert in the SIU Arena on November 4th. He and back-ups began the performance with Denver's less well-known, but enjoyable, laid-back melodies. They also demonstrated their ability "to get down" to rock-n-roll. While the band took a break, Denver proved that not only was he a musician but also a clown at heart. The last part of the concert was undoubtedly the best. Denver sang all of his all-time greats like "Sunshine on my Shoulder", "Annie's Song", "Calypso", "Grandma's Feather Bed", "Back Home Again", and the unforgettable "Thank God I'm a Country Boy". The audience really got into his music. Clapping their hands, stomping their feet and crying at emotional moments in his music were only a few ways they showed how much they loved that good ol' country boy himself, Mr. John Denver.

Sarah Curtis
Ramona Stilley

BOB DYLAN

"Once upon a time, dressed so fine, threw the bums a dime, in your prime didn't you?" This is a familiar tune one might recall from Bob Dylan's "Highway 51 Revisited" Album. Dylan is just as great as ever. He is singing some of his old songs, although they have changed considerably. He is on his 1978 U.S. Tour. He made a stop October 28, 1978 at the S.I.U. Arena. He and his twelve piece band sang songs from the recent "Street Legal" album. Favorites such as "It Ain't Me, Babe", "Like A Rolling Stone", "Ain't Gonna Work on Maggie's Farm No More", and "Don't Think Twice It's Alright", brought a great response from the crowd. Bob Dylan is a legend.

ROGERS REVIEW

It was a privilege for the surrounding area to get a chance to attend Kenny Rogers in concert. A sell-out crowd listened to this "Sweet Music Man" on November 4 at Roberts Stadium. Anyone who appreciates good country music would have enjoyed listening to him. He sang some old hits, then moved on to "Lucille" for the finale. Since his fans were in an uproar, his encore was "Ruby, Don't Take Your Love to Town". It was GREAT!

Juana Lane



F.B.L.A. Silver Anniversary

Bright and VERY early Saturday morning, on October 21, eight F.B.L.A. members and Mrs. Rann went to Sparta for the Southern Area F.B.L.A. Silver Anniversary Leadership Conference. First we nominated and elected officers and they were sworn in to their new offices. Then we all went to our contests. Each "contest" is actually a short quiz about your particular field. For instance the Business Math Contest was just a short quiz dealing with the main types of math used in business. Liz Saunders went through all the processes of obtaining a job. She filled out an application and had an interview. Myra Schrock took the Business Math contest which was new this year. Sherri McNew took the Accounting I which consisted of filling out a few forms along with a short quiz. Darci Allen took the Miss F.B.L.A. contest. This dealt with questions about F.B.L.A. in general. Mike Rann took the Mr. F.B.L.A. Lori Rundell found the Steno II test quite challenging! Kristie Foreman took the Steno I test. Mike Rann and Myra Schrock won awards in their categories.

F.B.L.A. members are currently involved in their Christmas project. Also each morning at 8:00 a.m. the book store is open. This is at the very end of the upstairs hall by Mr. Blades' and Mr. Morgan's rooms. So if you need any last-minute supplies, check out the book store.

Myra Schrock

Club Capers

Math Club

On Tuesday, October 17, 1978, during Club period, the Math Club held its formal initiation. The officers, Dennis Morgan, Frances Drone, and Marla Brown, presided over the ceremony welcoming the new members. The traditional blue and gold ribbons bearing the Mu Alpha Theta sign were given to and worn by the new members. That night the members enjoyed a delicious meal in the cafeteria. Sponsors of the Math Club are Mrs. Beggs, Mrs. Bebout, and Mr. Harper.

FHA

F.H.A. sponsored a food drive on Thanksgiving with all homerooms participating. The food was given to the Illinois Public Service who in turn distributed it to needy people. It was the F.H.A.'S way to make this Thanksgiving more meaningful to the recipients of this program. F.H.A. also treated the homeroom who brought in the most food.

Freshmen representatives were elected at the Halloween party. They are: Libby Towle, Sandy Stilley, and Steffanie Harris.

CAREER DAY

Wednesday, November 1, started out as a normal day. Then, near the end of fifth hour, strange things began to happen. People, men in suits and women in dresses, were walking around in the halls, looking for numbers and names on doors. At the end of fifth hour, the freshmen left to let the sophomores, juniors, and seniors enjoy career day.

The people in the hall were of varied professions who came to tell the students about their jobs, how many hours they work, the schooling or training required, and, of course, how much it pays. There were lawyers, contractors, pharmacists, laboratory technicians, florists, and auto mechanics just to mention a few. There were also representatives from area colleges and universities. They told about college programs, admissions, and campuses.

It was a good day, enjoyed by everyone. We would like to thank the counselors and those who participated for making it all possible.

Becky Sowder

ON THE SPOT

Teacher Feature

On Tuesday, October 31, the Key Club and Mr. Ewert's sixth and seventh hour government classes went to A. L. Bowen Center to be on hand when Governor Thompson came to tour the mental health facility that his Cost Control Task Force has recommended be closed. About 300 people were there to greet him. Many carried signs imploring him to allow the center to remain open. Governor Thompson arrived at approximately 2:25 with a special assistant Michael Hasten, and his two aides, Sam Kilovos and Rich Carlson. After shaking hands and speaking to many people, the governor entered the building for a tour.

After the tour, Thompson said in a press conference that he needed time to study the recommendations of the task force and would not make a decision until after the election. He stated that of the 678 suggestions made by the task force, 80 have already been implemented for a savings of \$180 million. Bowen Center, which has about 200 residents and serves 27 southern counties, is one of three mental health facilities recommended to be closed to save costs. Thompson has said he will keep open the Center in Decatur, but hasn't yet made a decision on the one in Moline, either.

At the end of the press conference, Tom Dutton, representing Bowen Center members of the Illinois State Employee's Association, and Ron Bradley, representing the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employee's local at the Center, presented Thompson with petitions signed by over 1,000 area residents supporting continued operation of the center. Before departing Thompson addressed the crowd which had waited outside, reiterating his remark of the news conference. He took with him a sign which he said would guide him in making the decision. The sign read, "Our children understand love and care, not politics."

Frances Drone

DEER SEASON

As fall sets in, many hunters look forward to the time of year dubbed simply, deer season. Every year they go through the same routine to go hunting. This year deer permits cost five dollars and registrations fee was another five dollars. Those who went deer hunting were required to order their permits in May.

Shotgun and muzzle-loading season ran from November 17 to 19.

Those of you who went to the Deer Festival in Golconda, know it began on November 16 and continued until November 18.

Along with deer season come the hunting accidents so all you hunters be careful and GOOD LUCK!!

Kim Whitman

There have been several student teachers at H.H.S. this year. I talked to Miss Terry Reed who is helping with Mrs. Bramlet's media class and her Junior English class during the first semester. Miss Reed is from Vienna and is attending S.I.U. If she is accepted into graduate school in December, Miss Reed will go on for her master's degree. Her ultimate goal is to teach English to Internationals (foreign people learning English in order to communicate). For this, she will need her master's degree.

Miss Reed's reason for going to college and continuing on to graduate school is job-oriented rather than scholastic. She has always wanted to be a teacher. She is interested in history as well as English and believes the two subjects are related. She found the best part of college was meeting people from all over. "There are people there from everywhere and you can learn so much from them." She enjoyed campus life and she thought S.I.U. was just great. Miss Reed said Harrisburg was very different from all that, but there were some things she really liked about a smaller town.

Jerri Frese

Yea! Rah! Razzle! Frazzle!

A switch from football to basketball not only affects the athletes and fans, but also affects the H.H.S. band. It's time for the marching Bulldogs to become a pep band and most importantly a concert band.

Band members are being kept busy with several area band activities, one of which is I.M.E.A. (Illinois Music Education Association). The State of Illinois is divided into 6 districts. Students within each district get together once a year, prepare challenging music, and perform a concert on that same evening. This year's festival was on November 18 at S.I.U.-Carbondale. Outstanding musicians from each district audition with the better players being invited to participate in an All-State band in Chicago. This All-State festival takes place on a Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday sometime in January.

On December 4 select members from the South-Seven school's bands will participate in a one day music festival. Two soloists have been selected to perform at the concert. Sarah Curtis will perform "Concert Piece for Bassoon." The other soloist is Diane Carver from Herrin, who will play an unaccompanied solo for clarinet. Marina Antoline was chosen as the alternate soloist. If for some reason Sarah or Diane cannot attend, Marina will play "Concerto for Clarinet" by

Drum Roll, Please!.....
Ladies and Gentlemen, introducing the 1978-79 H.Y. C. Board: President - Kristie Foreman, Vice-President - Kevin Sullivan, Secretary - Ramona Stilley, Treasurer - Pervis Ellis, Parliamentarian - Richard Doerge, S.I.C. representative - Jeff Thompson, Senior members - T.A. Sullivan, Tami Trees, Junior members - Todd Lambert, Kim Puttuck, Sophomore members are Patty Walker, Brent Herrin, Freshmen members - Jim Chapman, Julie Hays, members-at-large - David Walker and Debbie Black. We hope you all have as much luck this year as last year!

The board members have already done a lot of work so far. New coat racks have been built, and mirrors have been added throughout the Center to add to the disco scene. It really looks good!

The Center now has a 6-foot T.V. screen. Monday night football is shown each week. You've got better seats in the Youth Center than you could get in the Astrodome itself. All the guys can see the plays in detail, and all the girls can check out the foxy football players.

On November 11th Harrisburg hosted an area Youth Center convention. Discussion groups on disco vs. band, organization, fund-raising, interior decoration, discipline, and start-ups were held. We hope it was a beneficial afternoon for everyone involved.

The Halloween dance was interesting, to say the least. Richard Doerge, dressed as dirty, mean viking (somewhat like Danville's), won first prize. Wendy Powell and Pervis Ellis, dressed as clowns, tied with Lena Smith and Tim McRoy, Raggedy Ann and Andy, for the first place couple. It was definitely an unusual night, or should I say a night for the unusual?

Everyone be sure to come and join all the fun at the Center. It's open every Friday and Saturday night from 8:30 to 11:30. See you there!

Ramona Stilley
Sarah Curtis

Mozart. Congratulations to Sarah and Marina.

Now is the time for the band to get down to business, and concentrate on playing more challenging music. The band is hoping to take a trip this

year if its level of performance reaches a peak. Good Luck, Band! We hope you reach your goal!

Sarah Curtis
Ramona Stilley

Sports

NO. 1

We are number one!!

SPECIAL COMMENT:

THE LAST HURRAH!

Football season has ended for our graduating seniors, and what a way to end a high school career! Our hopefully graduating seniors who finished out the season were: Joe Boyke, John Perkins, Pat Gregg, Mark Motsinger, Steve Smith, Chris Reed, Steve Lewis, Dennis Morgan, Raymond Butler, T.A. Sullivan, Terry Kingston, Phillip Hunt, and Ken Henshaw. Those players who composed the South Seven Champions of '78" came a long way from their 1st year. Even though life goes on and our teams constantly change from year to year, I think the Harrisburg Bulldog Campaign of '78 will be long remembered. Those seniors will have their photographs, but most of all, they will have the memories. This season we had the right blend of talent and ability. Our team jelled after a shaky start. The Big

Purple Machine seemed to roll on, and roll on. The memories of the victorious conquests of might against might, the satisfaction of a perfectly executed play, and the grace and fitness of a halfback going in for the score will be embedded in the minds of those few fortunate seniors. I just wanted to express my feelings to those graduating, and wish them all the luck in the world. Thanks for the South Seven title, thanks for the good times, and thanks for the memories. . . .

Now to get down to business. I just have to say thank you for all the compliments pertaining to last issue's article. I also have to apologize for an unforgivable blunder in that article. A special apology goes out to Steve Lewis, who got mixed up with his cousin in my article. (A thousand pardons, Steve). Another season has ended and life strives on. All

those long hours of practice, the endless amount of sweat and blood that dripped from our bodies have gone into the making of a Championship team. No one can point out a single person who led us to those countless victories; we can plainly see a team effort. Every member of that starting team cared and put out for that South Seven title. The varsity finished with a fine record of 8-1 and, of course, the #1 slot in our conference. We have earned and deserve respect and a position as a contender for next year's race for the championship. I was sad the season ended, and I'm sure I'll miss it, but the future has new adventures in the vast unknown. The last frontier, to boldly go where no man has ever gone before, to seek out and explore new horizons (re-run from Star Trek). I just want to say thank you to Coach Joggerst and Coach Way for letting me help the team in the only way I knew how; I appreciate it. I congratulate them on a fine effort and season. Let's do it again next year!

Sam Fuller

TENNIS ANYONE?

April Horning, a well-known sports figure at H. H.S., has found tennis to be a most enjoyable sport. On many days, April can be seen on the tennis courts developing her strategy to help win matches. Chris Berry, a teacher and fellow tennis player, helps April to prepare for her games.

Tennis, both a mental and physical game, can take a lot out of a person who plays with as much drive as April. But she has handled this very well as is evident by her fine performances at district and state. April placed 17th at Arlington Heights, representing our school in the State tennis match. Going to state is always an honor. Congratulations, April, on a fine season.

We are all proud to have April in our school and to share in her talent and success. April is a Junior this year so watch out next year. She will be back with an even better "lob". Lots of luck with your tennis future, April!

P.S. In the finals, April had to play three matches in one day which qualified her to play in the finals. She defeated a 16-year-old girl named Amberger, 6-2, 6-4.

Lori Poole



STANDING IN THE WINGS

Hey!!!! Did you know that the girls' varsity volleyball team is doing great? They recently had a 14-3 record. They've just been doing super and I believe they've been overlooked due to our South Seven Championship Football team. It's about time that we give credit where it is due. These girls have an 11 game winning streak. I personally think that the reason this team is doing so well is the fact that they really play defensively and that they have a lot of back-up talent to fill gaps of injured or slumping players. You know these girls worked just as hard and just as long as the guys football teams. Also they have their unsung heroes too, such as Mary Iwasko, who served the winning point in their tournament, and Sarah

Rose, who is equally as good as any other player. Then of course you have your standouts, such as Lori Poole, Beth Davis, Beth Harrawood, Jenny Hann, and Cathy Walker. The whole team plays with an unlimited desire for victory. Ms. Monroe would really cherish this team and I'm sure that this season will be dedicated in her memory. Below are the recorded individual statistics after seventeen games:

	pts	spks
Beth Davis	219	81
Jenny Hann	172	8
Beth Harrawood	97	11
Lori Poole	90	267
Cathy Walker	61	23
Patty Walker	38	1
Martha Harper	29	0
Mary Iwasko	19	0
Sarah Rose	13	7
Beth Braddock	11	0
Tanya Lanton	0	1

I just want to congratulate the team and to welcome, and also to congratulate Mrs. Boyer on a fine effort. Football is over and soon volleyball will end. So girls, come out of wings, out from underneath the shadows of that fine football team and say "Hey, We're #1, too!!!"

Sam Fuller

Sports



"THE CREATURE CREEPS"

On November 16 and 17, the Thespians presented "The Creature Creeps" by Jack Sharkey. Everyone who had a part in this production should be congratulated. "The Creature Creeps" was the story of a mad scientist (Dallas Clemmons) and his hunchbacked assistant, Mord (Raymond Butler) who were carrying out a secret experiment in the castle. Complications set in when his dopey daughter, Daisy (Gina Short), her fiancée, Frank (John Doerge), and her school chum, Babsy (Ramona Stilley) arrived unexpectedly. An engagement party for Daisy and Frank furthered the complications. Hannah (Frances Drone), Freda (Claire Skaggs), Olga (Leta Small), and Heidi Zitzen (Patrice Molinarolo) arrived with their fiancées (all of whom were played by Eric Hefner, who was Hans). The baron's wife Maritza Zitzen (Lena Smith) joined in the festivities. The conclusion of the play found Hans marrying Hannah, Freda, Olga, and Heidi! Babsy wedded Frank while Mord carried off the housekeeper, Gretchen (Annita Schrock). "The Creature Creeps" was a hilarious comedy. There were humorous characters, plays-on-words, and repeated intentional mistakes. The cast was obviously well-chosen. The director, Mrs. Ewert and her assistant, Terri McClusky put a lot of work into what I consider "a job very well done." The people behind the scenes were: lighting (David Lawrence), make-up (Brenda Reed), props (Patty Dudley), business (Darci Allen), publicity (Lisa Lawrence & Becky Sowder), and especially the sound effects (Bill Allen) were vital in bringing the play to life. Congratulations everyone! Keep up the good work. I only hope I haven't left anyone out and have given all credit where it is due.

Jerri Frese