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ENROLLMENT DECLINES IN PAST 10 YEARS

Why has the school enrollment dropped at Lanphier over the last ten years? Is it because people are moving to the suburbs, or is it because of the declining birth rate? This writer believes it's because people are having smaller families because of the higher cost of living. This writer also thinks the declining enrollment will continue until the price of living goes down.

Lanphier, in 1972, had 2,323 students enrolled in the four grade levels. Gradually the enrollment

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ACT-SAT DATES SET

November 13 is the last day for juniors and seniors to register for the December 12 ACT test. More than 2,700 colleges, universities, and scholarship agencies require or recommend the ACT assessment.

Students interested in the SAT should register by October 31 to take the December 5 SAT test. Students should contact their counselors for more information and applications. These tests are scheduled throughout the year.



FRESHMEN OFFICERS ELECTED

The new freshman President is Lianne Roach, the Vice-President is Sheila Gold. The Secretary is Jill Partridge and the Treasurer, who had no opposition, is Rodney Fickas.

Freshman elections were held September 16 with three candidates running for President, two for Vice-President and two for Secretary. There was no

contest for Treasurer since no one else ran.

The nine freshman senators were just placed on as senators because not enough petitions were taken out. The senators are as follows: Shelley Cole, Dave Emmons, Dave Marker, Andre' Morton, Jeff Mullen, Kevin Park, Tim Smith, Doug Spuda and Tim Wells.

HOUSE OF HORRORS SOON TO OPEN!

There is only a short time left until the opening of the 11th annual House of Horrors or as many may know it, the Jaycees Haunted House.

Chairman Mr. Al Klunick, Jr., a former Lanphier student, is cordially inviting you to come and witness an uncanny relationship that has been struck between Frankenstein and the Mad Doctor, who will be displaying their marvelous mischief together this year.

Other ghoulish fun will be coming from the ever popular Chainsaw Room, The Ghost House, The Morgue, and a return of

such fearful sights as The Black Lagoon and Allen. And making its first appearance in any Jaycee Haunted House will be the Meat Hook Room.

House of Horrors will be held at the Old Goldblatts Building Monday through Friday, 6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 3:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. There will be a Halloween Special Noon - 10:00 p.m.

The proceeds from this event are used to run the various civic projects in Springfield. Advanced tickets can be purchased from any Jaycee member for only \$1.00. Tickets will be \$1.50 at the door.

HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES

GETTING UNDER WAY

The 1981 Homecoming theme is "Catch that Lion Spirit". The theme song, however, is Endless Love.

The Homecoming dance will be held on Saturday, October 24, from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. in the Lanphier East gym with the band "J. J. Rich" performing.

The tickets, which are \$4.00 for each couple or \$3.00 stag, will be on sale during both lunch shifts and before school 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and at the door the night of the dance.

The traditional dress for Homecoming is semi-formal which means boys usually wear suits or sport coats and girls wear nice dresses.

Pictures will be available for couples to have taken at the dance.

TAX REFERENDUM CAUSES CUTS !!

Thanks to the failure of the Tax Referendum last April 7th, many necessities of our school have been cut or removed.

Because of the cuts LHS is now with only one librarian. Also we only have a part-time nurse and we have one less counselor. There are many, many new teachers replacing ones that have been fired or quit.



Dear Students:

I would like to welcome all of you back for the 1981-82 school year. I would encourage you to take advantage of the many opportunities offered to you at Lanphier High School. If you encounter any difficulties, please be quick to seek help from your teachers, counselor or principal. We are all here to make your school experience as profitable as possible.

Again, welcome back and have a pleasant school year.

Sincerely,

Phillip H. Schmidt

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Principal

POLL TAKEN on how to get more SCHOOL SPIRIT

We need more school spirit here at LHS but the question is "How do we get it?"

A poll was recently taken among the student body. The answer that was mostly received was more participation, more pep rallies and assemblies.

Dee Dee Millard	More after school dances
Delani Cordier	Longer lunch hours & shorter classes
Terry Wilson	Have more activities like the Almost Anything Goes.
Eddie Shlenka	If somehow everybody could participate
Steph Spada	Have more orange & black days
Rex Spent	Find out what the students want to do
John Blazis	More challenges with other schools.
Sheri Smith	Have more bon-fires
Ellie Jackson	More emphasis of less popular sports



Dear Editor:

This is just the beginning of a spirit filled school year. To make it better, the entire school needs to help.

Attendance at the games is of great importance. Participating in Spirit Week, Homecoming, and the Pep Club would help a great deal.

Come and help cheer for an LHS winning season. Participation from the student body is needed.

Penny Hutchins

Dear Students:

Have you been in the library yet this year? If you have, you may have noticed that there is only one librarian, Mr. Jim Caruso. Because of the budget cuts, half of the librarians in District 186 have been cut. The library will now be open at 8:15 and will close at 3:30. If you happen to go into the library and cannot find anyone to help you REMEMBER there is only one librarian.

Teri Smarjesse

EDITORIALLY SPEAKING . . .

The Light Staff would like to welcome all students and teachers at Lanphier for the 1981-82 school year.

We welcome all letters to the editor. They should be placed in Mrs. Holm's mailbox in the main office. The Light has the right to edit any letters received.

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No Wonder You Are Tired!!!!!!

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QUIZ



- Who performs "Dream On"?
- Title of Led Zeppelin's first album?
- REO Speedwagon's name originated from?
- The Beatles acted in how many movies?
- "Light My Fire" became an acid-rock classic from which band?
- Largest outdoor rock Festival of all time, held in 1969
- Joe Walsh performed part time with?
 - Ted Nugent
 - The Eagles
 - Bob Seger
- Heavy Metal's rock n' roll classic is an album by?
 - Frank Sinatra
 - Van Halen I
 - Air Supply
- Who is AC/DC's lead guitar player?
- Who sang "My Generation"?

The first five people to bring the correct answers to Room 237 will have their names printed in the next issue.

ATTENTION

SENIORS → WE NEED HELP!

Homecoming 1981 is just around the corner. Your help is needed in decorating the Lanpher East Gym. Times for decorating are 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Monday 19 through Thursday 22, and 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Friday 23. Seniors, please help make Homecoming 1981 one of the best.



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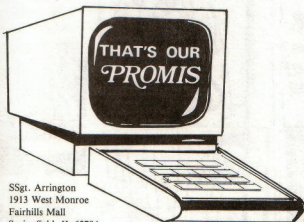
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ENROLLMENT

[FROM PG. 1]

has been declining. In 1977, there were 2,047 students in the four grade levels, and 436 other students in the 8th grade. In 1979, enrollment went up slightly to 2,081 but last year the enrollment dropped again to 1,963.

This year's enrollment is 1,886 students, with the Juniors having the largest class of 519 students. They are followed by the Sophomores, with 470, who are slightly ahead of the Freshman class with 459 students. The Senior class is the smallest with 438 students.

Lanphier, though declining, still has more students enrolled than any other school in Springfield.

L.H.S.

The LHS Cross Country Team, coached by Mr. Lee Halberg, is on its way to another winning season.

There are approximately fifty people on the team with six of them being returning letter winners. Coach Halberg feels that if everyone stays healthy, it will be the best team ever at Lanphier.

There are eight girls on the team this year which makes it enough for them to participate as a team and not just as individuals. The two leading seniors are Lisa Petro and Cathy Rodkey. The girls' team placed sixth in Granite City out of seventeen teams. Cheryl Chambers, Kathleen Hamlin and Sheryl Rodkey are assets to the team.

ON THE RUN



For the guys, among the seniors are Randy Augsburger, Steve Bahr, Jim Iocca and Jim Smith. They are great factors working for the team.

Coach Halberg is very pleased with the juniors and sophomores, and he

feels that he has some promising freshmen also.

All in all, Coach Halberg is very excited about this year's team and he feels that this team "has the ability to do well." Their main goal is to be back at state this year.

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LIONS HAVE VARIED SEASON



This year's football team, after four games, has a 2-2 record. The Lions looked impressive in their two victories as they shut out Lincoln and Jacksonville.

The Lions lost a very close game to Springfield in a tense overtime which ended in controversy, and lost to Griffin in a hard fought effort.

Next home game is against Eisenhower October 24, which is our homecoming game. The football Lions would appreciate full support by the student body.

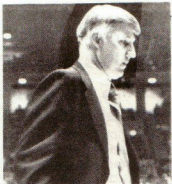
2 CHANGES FOR GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL TEAM

The girls volleyball team received two new changes this year in the form of a new coach, Mark Scheffler, and new Varsity uniforms.

Mr. Scheffler replaced Mr. Jerry Barrington who coached the team last year.

The volleyball team will have five experienced lettermen returning and many "promising" underclassmen.

BASKETBALL SEASON TO START Nov. 1



COACH BOB NIKA IN A MOMENT OF DISTRESS

The 1981 basketball season will be underway and the new team will be practicing soon. Any boys interested in joining the 1981 team should attend tryouts on November 1 from 3:30 after school to

approximately 5:30. They will be held in the Lanphier East gym.

Mr. Bob Nika will again be the head coach for the new team.

If there are any further questions or more information needed, please see Mr. Nika in Room E225.

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RECENT POLL: WHAT IS THE POM PON
BEST TIME OF THE SCHOOL YEAR? SQUAD

What do you think is the best time of the school year? A recent poll taken among the student body showed that a majority thought Graduation Day was their favorite.

Here are some of the different answers that students gave:

Dan Daubach	Spirit Week
Mark Huddleston	3:15 time to get out
Mark Alstott	Weekends
RG Krohe & Greg Lewis	
When the Orange Blossoms perform (cause we're bad)	
Lisa Lapiocola	End of 1st semester
Brad Brooks	June 2, 3:15
Joe Putnam	Christmas Vacation
Dee Dee Millard	Vacation (Days off)
Wes Galo	Every Day that we are not in school
Laura Brimm	Basketball season
Steph Spada	Basketball City Tourney
John Blazis	Wouldn't you like to know
Peggy Slater	Football season
Sandy Smith	Prom
Merle Sexton	The Last Day
Tom Noblet	Winter
Bruce Williams	Fall
Alan Alewelt	1st Day
Julie Flannery	Homecoming Day
Todd Robinson	Wrestling Season
Martin Sphar	Baseball Season
Kent Boyd	X-Country Season
Randy Aldrich	Pom-pon Season
Don McQuern	When we play tennis in gym
Penny Hutchins & Kellie Holmin	
On Almost Anything Goes Day	
Kelly Griffin	Ice Skating & Bowling in gym class

BAPPLERS



- How many cigars can a hobo make from twenty-five cigar butts if he needs five butts to make one cigar?
- Two men played checkers. They played 5 games and each won the same number of games. How?
- There is three errors in this sentence. Can you find them?

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TAX CUTS

[From pg. 1]

Most are not new teachers to the district, just new to LHS.

The biggest complaint has been the price of school lunch. The price of a Type 'A' lunch is 75¢ raised from a tolerable 50¢. Also, a ½ pint of milk is 15¢ raised from 5¢. Many other prices have been raised.

Many parents in the District voted this down last year and we, the kids, are paying for it.

ANSWERS TO BAPPLERS

DID YOU KNOW?
OR
DO YOU CARE?

- Miss Bellamy is now Mrs. Holm.
- Ms. Taylor rides her bike to school every day.
- Mr. Willhoit wears two different color socks at the same time.
- Kellie Holmin uses 1 can of hair spray a week?
- That the pom-pon squad got new uniforms. (It's about time)
- That Cindy Baskett wears contacts now.
- That the underclassmen have to go to school 2 more days than the SENIORS.

- Six - five from the original twenty-five cigar butts, and one more once he has smoked the five cigars.
- They were not playing each other.
- The third error is that there are only two errors in the sentence.
- Two. One on each side.
- 27 days. On the 27th day it goes up 3 feet during the day and is at the top of the well.

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