

Esquenazi speaks to Spanish Club

Washington University sophomore and premedical student Mike Esquenazi spoke to the Spanish Club on February 11. Senior Susie David arranged for the native Cuban to talk at the meeting.

Mike related that, since leaving Cuba, he has found the United States very interesting and enjoys living here very much. However, he wishes that his friends might escape from the politically troubled island. There are 250,000 applicants for visas out of Cuba, and only one plane leaving each week. Also, he is disappointed that he can't express his opinions freely in letters to his friends, as the government of the island nation censors all mail.

In Cuba Mike took nine courses in school. Although he took so many classes, he never studied English and could not speak a word of it upon his arrival in the United States. He learned much of his English by reading newspapers and other printed material.

Seniors, juniors, faculty prepare for basketball games March 6, 13

Plans for the Senior-Faculty basketball game, to be played March 13, and the Junior-Senior contest on March 6 are nearing completion. The Senior-Faculty game committee, under the jurisdiction of the Senior Class Cabinet, is headed by co-chairmen Don Morgan and Allan Curtis. The Senior-Junior game committee, affiliated with the Junior Class Cabinet, has as its chairmen Bob Bennett and Chris Carney.

The Senior-Faculty contest will be an afternoon encounter because of the state tournament which prevents the game from being played at night. The committee in charge of the traditional event has appointed Dave Stewart and Ron Howren of the varsity squad to coach the senior team, which had its first practice last Saturday.

At a meeting Tuesday, February 11, the committee chose nine cheerleaders from the 52 seniors who had expressed an interest in this aspect of the game. The cheerleaders, who will perform at both the Senior-Faculty and the Junior-Senior contests, are: Mike Donovan, Bob Ferguson, Andrea Geyer, Bob Droege, Jack Conway, Sue Laffler, Julie Weaver, Marsha Mulford, and Judy Feldman. It was decided that, if "B. Ball" Richards does not make the Senior



Photo by Paul Assistant tour directors Allan Curtis, Doug Lonergan, and Neal Losse (l. to r.) process applications for the trip to Washington, D. C.

Registration completed for trip to Washington

On Monday, February 3, 174 students--93 seniors and 81 juniors paid \$25 as a deposit for the trip to Washington, D.C., March 23-27.

The trip, scheduled during Holy Week, will begin with a dinner flight. After reaching their destination, students will be trans-

ported to the Annapolis Hotel. The Burlington Hotel, original choice of tour director Robert K. Smith and his assistants Allan Curtis, Doug Lonergan, and Neal Losse, could not accommodate the entire group.

Tours of the White House, the Capitol, F.B.I., Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials, Supreme Court, Washington Monument, and Archives Building are slated for Tuesday. A bus tour of Washington-at-night will be available that evening from 8:30-10:30.

Wednesday is scheduled for bus tours of Mount Vernon, home of George Washington, and Arlington National Cemetery. A dance at the Annapolis Hotel is planned for Wednesday evening. (The ratio of boys to girls is very even, according to Mr. Smith).

Thursday and Friday will be spent on trips of the students' individual choice. On Friday, March 27, the weary sightseers will board planes for a dinner flight back to St. Louis.

The remainder of the total of \$110 expense will be collected March 2. On Thursday, March 19, a meeting of all students taking the trip, and their parents, will be held.



Photo by Dempster Senior Bob "Yaw" Ferguson models the costume which he wore last year as a junior cheerleader.

team, he will join the cheering squad. The Junior-Senior game is to take place after school, Friday, March 6, at 3:30 in Roberts Gym. Coaches of the junior class team are Yatesmen Bill Mikkelson and Kurt Wissehr.

Twelve reporters attend Goldwater's conference

"Being a desert rat, this weather reminds me of a typical California day," quipped Senator Barry Goldwater as he smiled at several hundred rain-soaked supporters who had come to greet him at the St. Louis Municipal Airport January 31. Undaunted by the chilly drizzle, a three-piece band blared, the crowd chanted "We want Barry", and twelve Webster Echo reporters mingled with the spectators asking questions and taking notes.

In answer to the question, "Why are you supporting Barry Goldwater?", well-wishers sporting AUH₂O buttons replied everything from "He expounds theories so old they are new" and "He's the only honest politician in four years" to, very simply, "I like him."

As the Arizona senator concluded his public speech, nine Webster reporters sprinted the 500 yards down the observation deck, through the main lobby, down the stairs, across the hall, and into a small room in which the press conference was to be held. Cameras, bright lights, a smoky atmosphere, and several professional reporters and photographers greeted them. Minutes later, Goldwater arrived with his entourage of newsmen and friends, swelling the crowd in the cramped room.

Unable to question the Senator until he turned to leave, Julie Alexander asked how teacher's salaries could be raised without federal aid to education. The con-

servative senator replied, "We're doing it in Arizona." Then Ellen Pfeifer managed to ask if Mr. Goldwater felt that illiteracy was a major cause of poverty, and "what can be done about educating the impoverished illiterate?" He replied, "Yes, there's no doubt about that. Send them to school."

Advisory council conducts survey

The Student Advisory Committee asked students to answer questions on extra-curricular activities Monday morning, February 10, in order to be "well informed about the feelings of the students" on this subject.

This bi-racial committee was organized in December by Mr. Robert K. Smith. It had been called to his attention that several minority groups in the school did not believe that they were getting fair representation in student government and other school affiliated activities. The group, an independent organization, was formed to try and correct this situation.

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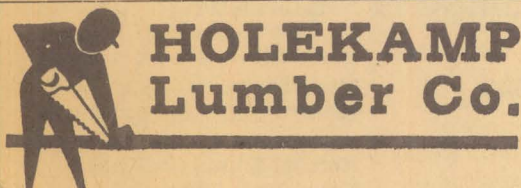


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