Boosters Clubs' Big Bash!

By Gina Boatman

The football season came to a close with a big banquet for all the football members and parents. The night was filled with a lot of action.

First, the coaches showed the people the new weight machine and how it works. Some of the parents and kids tried it out. The coaches thanked the clubs and organizations who helped to purchase it.

There was a big turnout for the dinner at 7:30.

After the dinner Mr. Goulet and Mr. Messar presented awards. The best rusher of the year award was given to Al Tomlinson for 741 yards on 136 carries. He also had the most yards rushing in one game with 181 yards against Osceola.

Who received the annual award? Jacque Hawkins. He was thought to have the most animalistic characteristics out on the field. Jacque also received both awards for the most unassisted tackles which was 31 and the most tackle assists having 123 of them. Now you know why they gave him the animal award.

The award which was given out to the person who had the most interceptions was Ron Steen. While on offense Jerry Petersen seemed to be found getting the most fumble recoveries and Phil Memmer was in there with the most throw for losses against the opposing team.

In the scoring department it was Ron Steen and Jeff Jensen both having 26 points and receiving certificates for that. Pass receptions was awarded to Jeff Jensen. He had 25 completed passes this season.

The most defensive points in one game was awarded to Jerry Petersen with 40 points in the Webster game. Jerry also received an award for being the most spirited on the team. The most valuable players of the year awards were given to Al Tomlinson, Jacque Hawkins, and Jerry Petersen. These three were also chosen for all conference.

This year the contests at the end of the season where the team goes against each other trying to beat the other teammates was again a big success. The wrist wrestling was very exciting down to the end with Reed Stevens and Sam Hawkins battling it out in the final round, Reed being the victor. The other team competition was field goal kicking, and Dave Melin won with a 35 yard kick against the wind.

A special thank-you and awards were given to the managers, Mike Seager and Dave Hansen. There were many more awards given for all sorts of things. Maynard Stevens was given for giving the team pop after every game. Mr. Goulet was also given a set of wine glasses from the senior boys to show their appreciation of him.

Thanks to the hard work of the Booster Club and the coaches the dinner was excellent and very well organized.

Most Improved Freshman - David Lake

The Expense of Sports

By Ann Langel

In schools, the cost of sports in the athletic program is often hidden. In Luck, though, the cost of each sport is extremely difficult to get.

I went through the annual budget, and the cost of each sport and coaches pay had not been narrowed down. The majority of our school is involved in sports, so the expenses would be interesting to know for both students and parents.

"Football is the most expensive sport, for all players must be outfitted with a lot of equipment," commented Mr. Larson. The basketball cost depends on the year. If the team gets new uniforms that would be considered an expensive year. Equipment for a basketball season includes nets, practice balls, and about six game balls.

The sports coaches (football, volleyball, basketball, baseball, wrestling, track, and softball) salaries are based on a percentage of a base salary. The timekeepers, scorers, and announcers pay, altogether, averages about $32 a game. Referees receive a set rate for each sport. Their pay is $27.50 for varsity football and is the same for varsity basketball.

When the question, "How is the sports coaches' pay compared to the Drama Club, forensics, or F.H.A. advisors' pay?" was asked, Mr. Larson told me that the sports coaches pay is determined by a percentage of base salary. Some of the advisors (Drama Club, Pep Club, L-Club, and F.H.A.) are paid nothing and others (the Cloverleaf, play director, forensics advisor and Horshoe advisor) are paid a percentage of a base salary.

Mr. Nichols felt that the athletic program has good equipment and holds good opportunities for both boys and girls. He commented that the football season was successful on a competitive level. He thinks the weight machine is a fine addition to Luck school and athletics and should be very helpful to us in the future.

Senior Report

By Jane Everson

Graduation may seem a long way off, but the seniors have already started to plan the event. Maroon robes have been selected by the class. Announcements were chosen Nov. 1 and ordered Nov. 10. The names of the 61 graduates have been sent to the diploma company for printing. The class officers and student council members make up the graduation committee.

The seniors also elected another student council member, Joe Nelson, since there will be no presidential election held. Jill Sandstrom will continue to act as president for the organization.
Editorial

Whose Side Are You On?

Sports fans—where would high school athletics be without them? The ideal sports fan is supportive, enthusiastic, and proud of his team. He cheers the team on to victory and consoles them in defeat. He loves to see his team win, but not at the expense of others.

Unfortunately, not all Luck fans are ideal. Many of us can’t accept losing. When our team is down, we rant and rave to anyone who will listen. In the past several years we’ve known what it’s like to be at the top but we’ve also experienced what it’s like to finish dead last.

It’s easy to support a good team. Everyone wants to be associated with a winner. But what about when we lose?

Often I’ve seen Luck fans sit in the stands and cut down our own players. They laugh and yell at the team when they make errors.

When a player makes a mistake, he knows he’s made a mistake. His coach tells him he made a mistake. The last thing an athlete wants or needs is some know-it-all fan telling him he made a mistake.

What I can’t understand is if a fan thinks he could do so much better, why isn’t he out there playing?

Then we come to the fans who don’t even care. I think they come to the game just to put in an appearance. If they’re not busy talking to the person beside them, they’re out in the lobby drinking pop or in the bathroom combing their hair. To them, the games are just social affairs.

We can’t leave out the “go with the glory” fan. When the home team’s winning, he’ll be more than happy to say how good “our” team is doing. But when the chips are down, all of a sudden you’ll hear him complain how terrible “they’re” doing. He wants to have a piece of the victory but not part of the defeat.

Last but not least we come to the one of the most common fans around, the fan who feels he should be filling the coach’s shoes. I think the parents are the most famous for this. They sit in the bleachers and yell instructions down to the players. What they fail to understand is that by doing this they’re only hurting the team.

It’s a player’s duty to listen to the coach’s advice. The fan’s job is to give support, the coach’s job is to coach.

Luck High School, is in a tough conference. Almost every school we compete with has an enrollment twice the size of ours. We have many things going against us. I don’t think our fans should be one of them.

Light On The Subject

By Sue Leigh

The fall play, “Lavender and Old Lace,” was full of surprises. But there were more surprises than many of us realize.

It all started when the lights were checked, and it was discovered that there were no light bulbs. Obviously, they would never work without bulbs, but this small problem was relatively easy to solve.

After the bulbs were supplied, the crew was ready to use the lights. But on Wednesday, 10 days before the play, another discovery was made. The lights could not be turned on because there was no key for the locked switch.

A company representative was called in on Friday. He brought the key so the lights could be used for rehearsal. On Monday the big moment arrived. The key was turned and...Surprise!!! There was a short in the system. The circuit breaker had blown out.

Time was running short, so the system was rewired around the lock. The lights could now be turned on by a switch without a key. But this situation was even worse than the last one.

Two days before the play the lights were turned on and the bulbs in the gym rang!

At 4:00 on Thursday one last resort was tried. Resistors were put in and the lights were turned on. No bulbs, just one surprise—the lights worked perfectly!

Pot Pourri

In September a survey was taken at Luck High School concerning the use of marijuana among the students. These are the results of that survey:

It was found that 67% of the seniors, 57% of the juniors, 50% of the sophomores, and 19% of the freshman have used or still do use marijuana at times.

Of those that have used it, 1/4 of the seniors, 1/3 of the juniors, 1/3 of the sophomores, and 1/5 of the freshman do use pot regularly. Regularly can mean anything from just on weekends or two or three times a week, to one, two or three times a day.

There were different sources through which the kids obtained their “high” from. Friends supplied 71% of the users, 22% were provided by acquaintances, and 7% received theirs from a stranger.

Over half of the students, 53% replied on the survey that they thought that marijuana should be legalized.

Of the people who have tried smoking pot, 21% of them have tried harder drugs, and 13% of these do use them regularly.

It was found that the average age of the kids when they first tried marijuana was 15. The ages ranged from 8 to 17 years old.

If the students didn’t smoke pot or use any other type of drug, they were asked if they looked down on those who did. Of those that answered the question, 22% did look down on the users, and the rest did not.

Visions Of Thanksgiving

By Ann Langel

Our Thanksgiving vacation is drawing near. Visions of turkeys and ways to shoot your deer.

We look forward to the vacation and some would like snow. Some would like summer back, and still others don’t know what to expect.

But, whatever you’d like, it’s Thanksgiving that’s here. It will come no matter what Rain, snow, or clear.

Whatever your plans are, be sure to have fun. There’s not much time left until your vacation is done!

All-Conference

By Valerie Ellefson

This year four senior athletes were awarded all-conference recognition from the Luck High School. These people were chosen by the coaches for their ability, sportsmanship and their accomplishments during the season.

Barb Melin represents the varsity volleyball team with her great skillfulness. From the football team, three were chosen: Alan Tomlinson, Jacquie Hawkins, and Jerry Petersen.
Know Your Seniors

By Patti Walsten

Here we are with another edition of Know Your Seniors. Know Your Seniors is a series of articles in which all our seniors will be interviewed concerning their future plans.

This future truck driver, Sandy Thompson, plans to work at Durex during the summer months.

Coins, bowling, hockey, and basketball are his favorite pastimes while his favorite dish is ham.

Jill Sandstrom has high hopes of becoming a nuclear physicist! Jill enjoys playing piano, skiing, cooking and all sports. Her most memorable moments were while attending state volleyball tournaments. This summer we can find Jill getting a tan as well as having a job.

Trapping and fishing are Brian Randall’s most enjoyable pastimes.

Brian’s summer plans include what he hopes his future will be, and that’s farming. Brian enjoys eating almost any kind of food.

This summer Mike Seager will be working at Durex to raise money to attend Denver College in the fall.

Mike likes bow hunting and snowmobiling as well as eating lasagna.

Sea food, skiing, and watching sports are all favorites of Kris Swerkrstrom.

During Kris’s summer months, she will be working. Then when fall comes around we can find Kris attending Stout State University.

Athletics are a main interest of Ronnie Steen. Among them are golf, football, and basketball.

Ronnie’s future includes schooling at Rice Lake and Ferris State College in Michigan. Working at the golf course is Ronnie’s summer plans. His favorite food is steak.

Jacque Hawkins’ most embarrassing moment was during last year’s Somerset basketball game, while his most memorable time was the party after last year’s Unity football game.

Watching tv and football are Jacque’s favorite pastimes. Steak is his favorite food. Jacque is undecided as to what his future will be, but he plans to be working during the summer.

Chicken is the favorite food of Kenny A. Johnson. His favorite things to do are hunting and fishing.

Kenny says that last Halloween was his most embarrassing moment. Working at Stokely’s this summer and going to vocational school at Rice Lake are Kenny’s future plans.

Bits And Pieces

CHARLIE: Waiter, there’s a dead fly in my soup!
WAITER: I’m sorry, sir, I’m sure he was alive when he left the kitchen.

CLEM: Gee, Elly Lou, you sure smell good.
ELLY LOU: Thank you, Clem.
CLEM: What you got on?
ELLY LOU: Clean socks.

How Did They Get Here?

By Lisa Berg

One thing that many people don’t know about is how our teachers are hired. The procedure is a lot longer than most of us think.

First of all, the job openings are listed with several different colleges. The colleges then send out the credentials or records of these potential teachers.

The High School Principal, Mr. Larson and the Superintendent, Mr. Walker, then review the credentials. There are usually quite a few to review.

Recommendations are then sent out by professors and principals that the prospective teachers have studied under. It helps a great deal if a teacher has experience in more than one field.

The process of eliminating then takes place. After eliminating the people they are not interested in, the administration calls the other candidates to see if they are still interested. If they are, an interview is arranged.

Prospective teachers usually come to the school to be interviewed, but there have been instances where they have been interviewed at other places. It depends on how far away they live.

It sometimes takes two interviews before Mr. Larson and Mr. Walker make their decision. The decision is then recommended to the Board. If the Board agrees with them, the teacher or teachers are hired and the contract is drawn up.

Two Hobbies

By Kathy Williams

You may not know this but there are two boys in this school with interesting hobbies. Chris Tolan and Peter Dau both collect things. Chris Tolan collects beer cans and Peter Dau collects stamps.

Chris Tolan collects beer cans because he says there is nothing else to do. Chris has 414 beer cans with 200 different brands. Chris finds his beer cans in dumps and along the road. Chris trades with two boys from Luck, Jim Langel and Scott Roberts, and some kids in Green Bay. Chris’ oldest beer can is a 1930 Grain Belt cone top.

Peter Dau has an interesting hobby of collecting stamps. Peter gets his stamps from stamp companies and other members of the Stamp Club. Peter’s oldest stamp is a 1881 American stamp. Peter has about one thousand different United States stamps. Peter collects stamps because to him the stamps are like a picture story of American History.
Autumn Athletes

TRY TO LOCATE THESE AUTUMN ATHLETES THAT ARE LOCATED DIAGONALLY, HORIZONTALLY, VERTICALLY AND BACKWARDS.

ALAN JILL JACQUE KELLY JERRY BARB JEFF LAURA RONNIE GRETCHEN REED LIZ CARY SHARON BRIAN KIM KEVIN LORI TODD JANE KATHY

Macho motoring
When Mom had an accident with the car Pop said, “Careless driving!”
When their daughter had an accident, Pop said, “Reckless driving!”
When Pop had an accident, he said, “Unavoidable.

Economy size in giant package
“You know during the last two weeks, I’ve been on a diet. I’ve lost eight pounds,” she boasted.
“You’re just kidding yourself,” he replied. “I can’t see any difference in your figure.”
“Well, maybe I just lost the weight on the inside where it doesn’t show.”

Pirates Defeat Cardinals 48-12

By Alan Tomlinson
The Grantsburg Pirates took no time in putting points on the board when Tim McIntyre ran the opening kick-off back 80 yards for the touchdown. The extra point was kicked by Kevin Lysdahl. With twelve seconds gone in the first quarter the Pirates led 7-0.

Luck gained possession but was unable to move the ball and was forced to punt. The punt was blocked and the Pirates recovered it deep in Cardinal territory. Three plays later Walt Bloyer scored the second Pirate touchdown. The extra point failed.

Luck not being able to move the ball against the Pirate defense was forced to punt once again.

The Pirate’s next touchdown was run in by Hoffman by a fine right end sweep. The extra point was good.

The Pirates caught the Cardinals by surprise and recovered an onside kick. But on the next play Ron Steen recovered a Pirate fumble. But the Cards were unable to get past the line of scrimmage on three plays and punted.

The Pirates moved the ball down to the Cardinal 23-yard line by five passes from Pirate quarterback Jeff Fallstrom to end Steve Bohn. Walt Bloyer then brought the ball down to the 4-yard line where Hoffman had the honor of taking it in. Grantsburg faked a kick and ran for the two-point conversion.

Four plays later the Pirates set up another touchdown on a blocked punt. Hoffman scored again from the 21-yard line. Lysdahl kicked the extra point. The Pirates led at the end of the half 35-0.

The Cardinals came out in the second half with some spark in the offensive team. Todd Medchill caught a 15-yard pass from Steen to bring them closer to Grantsburg’s end zone. Two plays later Steen hit Jensen to put the Cardinals on the scoreboard. The extra point was blocked.

The Cardinals held the Pirates and blocked their punt. Three plays later Ron Steen scored around the left end. The two-point conversion failed.

With 3 penalties called on Luck the Pirates had the ball on the Cardinal 16-yard line. Hoffman then scored his fourth touchdown of the game. The extra point was good.

The Pirates got one more touchdown when Kevin Lysdahl ran a 53 yard touchdown. The extra point failed. The final score was Grantsburg 48-Luck 12.
Webster Downs Luck 13-0

By Alan Tomlinson

On October 6, the Luck Cardinals traveled to Webster which proved to be a mistake-plagued ball game by both teams.

In first quarter action Webster’s quarterback Randy Hedrick fumbled the ball. Phil Memmert recovered the ball to give the Cardinals their first chance on offense.

The Cardinals marched sixty yards down the field only to be stopped by an interception by Webster’s deep safety, Kent Krause.

The Tigers were stopped on their next offensive attempt and the Cardinals took over again. On the next play Luck fumbled, and it was recovered by a Webster lineman. With Webster on the Luck 22-yard line Hedrick passed to wide receiver Rich Crusing which put the Tigers in sight of the end zone. After two plays, the Tigers scored on a 5-yard reverse left by Charlie Weis. The extra point was put through the uprights by Reese.

The Tigers kicked off but only to lead to another Cardinal turnover. Webster got into field goal range, but good defensive action by Cardinal linemen (Jacque Hawkins and Jerry Petersen) stopped the attempt.

Luck resumed possession only to be intercepted for the third time.

With Webster in good field position senior fullback Al Graveson plunged into the end zone for the second Tiger touchdown. The extra point conversion failed. The end of the first half found Webster over Luck 13-0.

In the fourth quarter the Cards finally got their offensive track. They moved the ball on four first downs and just about had full possession of the ball. But the drive was stopped by a fourth interception and the time ran out. The final score was Webster 13, Luck 0.

- ROGER: There’s a scientist in the east says he’s able to make gasoline out of horse manure.
- CHARLIE: Does it give your car good mileage?
- ROGER: No, but it sure should put a stop to siphoning!

Season Ends - Cards Fall To St. Croix

By Lowell Johnson

It wasn’t a game for the conference championship, and it wasn’t a game of undefeated teams. But it was a game between two fine football teams who were battling each other in the seasons final football clash. A victory for St. Croix would mean a 4-3 record, and 4 wins in a row after starting the season with 3 straight losses. A victory for the Cardinals would put them at 3-4 in the Conference and 4-5 overall. The 4 wins would be the most in four years and they would attain their goal of winning more games than last year.

The Saints got on the scoreboard first, when Mike Northquest hit Steve Edling on a 5 yard touchdown pass. Edling, an excellent kicker, added the extra point and St. Croix had a short lived 7-0 lead.

After St. Croix kicked off, the Cards moved the ball down to the 22 yard line of the Saints. Then the Cardinals used a little trickery to put six on the board. Ron Steen, the Luck quarterback, pitched the ball back to Alan Tomlinson, who then hit Jeff Jensen in the end zone for the six points. Luck, as they usually do, went for the two point conversion and got it when Steen hit Todd Medichill with the pass. The Cards at the time led 8-7.

But St. Croix Falls came right back to score one more before the half ended. This time Northquest hit Tom Greener on a 24 yard scoring pass. Edling again converted the extra point and the Saints led at the half 14-8.

In the second half the Cardinals had the ball deep in the Saint’s territory, but the Saints held Luck on a fourth down just short of the goal line. Then St. Croix held on for the victory. The loss left the Cards with a 2-5 Conference record and 3-6 overall record.

Although this year’s Cardinal squad ended the season with an identical record as last year, this year’s team played exceptionally good ball. They were in every game except one, and even in that game they did not quit.

- "Who turned off the lights?", asks Mike Seager, as Paul Konopacki, Rhonda Rasmussen and Cindy Patrick look on.

Volleyball Ends; Returning Team Feels Confident for Next Year’s Season!

By Marney Swerkerstrom

The LHS volleyball team reached the end of their season on October 25. Throughout the season the girls worked hard on many skills and practiced very hard.

Miss Brom, the coach for the A-Squad and B-Squad volleyball team, commented on how she felt the season went. She said, "They played strong defense, however, the offense needs a bit of work especially in the area of getting consistent serving. Mentally getting down on themselves when we were behind, was caused by the lack of team work. When we played well, it really wasn’t that hard to take a loss. They showed a lot of team spirit. They played well together in most games but lost to some teams on their own mistakes."

Two days after the Hudson Invitational was held, the A-Squad volleyball team traveled to Frederic, where the Sub-Regional tournaments were held. The team played against Frederic and were defeated with scores of: Luck-4, Frederic-15 and Luck-3, Frederic-15. Kelly Olson was the team’s high scorer for both games.

The team’s conference record for the season is 1 win and 8 losses.

The team will be losing ten seniors, six of whom are starters. The seniors are: Jill Sandstrom, Barb Melin, Kelly Olson, Gretchen Nies, Laura Nygren, Jane Everson, Liz Memmer, Lori Jerrick, Cathy Tolan, and Sharon Morales.

Miss Brom feels that next year’s team will be young and inexperienced but will put every effort into the season.
**Basketball is Here Again**

By Lowell Johnson

Unpack the basketballs, put up the nets, and wax the court, because the time has rolled around again for L.H.S. "buckets" to begin.

Basketball should be as exciting as ever for the Luck fans, and plenty of other thrills can be expected. Looking at last year's record, the boys had a disappointing 3-16 mark. On the other side of the coin, the girls had a 20-1 record. Their only loss of the season came during sectional play when they fell to Plainfield.

Many returning letter winners are back, so both teams are looking for winning seasons. The girls lost five seniors to graduation, four of which were starters. Their one returning starter is Barb Melin.

Just the opposite, the boys lost only two players to graduation. Returning letter winners for the boys are Bill Rebovich, Jim Sorenson, Alan Tomlinson, Jeff Jensen, Reed Stevens, Hugh Raddenbach, and Ron Steen.

As a junior last year Ron was selected to the All Conference team. Returning letter winners for the girls are Kelly Olson, Barb Melin, Lori Jerrick, Jane Everson, Gretchen Nies, and Kelly Kreutzian.

Practice began for both squads on November 6. Conditioning and ball handling were worked on, and then slowly plays were taught and defense stressed.

Mr. Messar, coach of the girls team, said that he feels "confident that the girls can win conference," but it will take hard work. He said that practice will be needed on offense and defense and "just getting the ball through the hoop."

The tough teams in the conference according to Mr. Messar, will be Frederic, Unity, and Osceola, along with Luck. This year's conference race will be one of the closest that there has been in a long time, and Mr. Messar feels that there will be no undefeated teams in the conference.

The coach of the boys basketball team is Mr. Dolny. Mr. Dolny feels that if the boys have the desire to win, then anything could happen. He also added that the team must have lots of "hustle."

As always, Mr. Dolny is stressing defense. He says, "That's what the game is all about." As for the tough team in the conference, he says it has to be Osceola. He noted that every team will be tough, though.

Everybody can start getting set for some exciting basketball action, and who knows, maybe L.H.S. can have two Slate Champions in basketball.

**Eagles Nip Cards**

By Alan Tomlinson

In the first quarter of play the Cardinals drove 75 yards to Unity's 10-yard line. The Eagles held the Cardinals and took over the ball on their own 3-yard line. The Eagles were unable to move the ball and were forced to punt. Neither team moved the ball, and it was a scoreless first quarter.

Unity held Luck in the second quarter but scored ten points themselves. The first touchdown was a pass from Unity's quarterback Tom Markert to receiver Doug Zappa. The extra point was kicked by Ron Klett.

With less than a minute remaining in the first half, the Eagles had the ball deep in Cardinal territory but could not bring it in. Ron Klett then kicked a 9-yard field goal to lead the Cardinals at the half 10-0.

With five minutes left in the game the Cardinals scored on an 11-yard pass to Jensen. The extra point conversion failed.

Time ran out with Luck falling short 10-6.

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**Senior Athletes**

By Valerie Ellefson

Even though the football and volleyball seasons are over, many questions may still be asked.

Jerry Petersen felt the football team did a fair job this season but thought that if the team could get more guys out with better attitudes, they could have done better. His best game, he thought personally, was the Webster game, and it was also the most competition for the Cardinals. He felt he made his goals by getting 100 defensive points and by playing better than last year. The game he will remember most is the Frederic game because of the large margin in scores (Luck's larger, of course).

Disappointment was Jeff Jensen's feeling about the season because the team didn't reach their goals. More school support from teachers and ADMINISTRATION as well as from the student body would have made the team more willing to try and more enthusiastic, Jeff felt, along with more guys going out as Jerry said. Jeff achieved his personal goals which were to break the passing record and get 100 defensive points. His best game, in his eyes, was the Homecoming game with Frederic, and his most memorable game was with Osceola, when he caught the winning pass. Grantsburg seemed to put up the most fight, according to Jeff, and next year, he says, he will miss the sport.

Gretchen Nies didn't think the volleyball team accomplished their goals and she didn't feel she accomplished her goals either. First, the team wanted to place third in conference and second, she wanted to play well in every game she could. She wished she had not sprained her ankle so she could have participated more. One of the games she thought was most memorable was her best played game, with Osceola being most memorable because the Cardinals won and played well. Unity presented the most competition in her views, as they really played together and had fantastic spikes. Jane says she will miss volleyball next year, but she had a lot of fun her last year.

Jane Everson achieved her personal goals in serving skills, but felt that the team did not because of its losses. To improve this problem Jane felt that if the team could have worked together more and, agreeing with Gretchen, not have "got down" on themselves. Cumberland was her best played game, with Osceola being most memorable because the Cardinals won and played well. Unity presented the most competition in her views, as they really played together and had fantastic spikes. Jane says she will miss volleyball next year, but she had a lot of fun her last year.