



## **OKINAWA SCHOOL MEMORIES**

**STUDENT COLUMNS AND PHOTOS FROM  
ISSUES OF "THIS MONTH ON OKINAWA",  
"THIS WEEK ON OKINAWA", AND "LIFE ON  
OKINAWA"**

**1957 TO 1966**

**COVERING CAMP BOONE KINDERGARTEN  
TO KUBASAKI HIGH SCHOOL AND  
RELATED ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS**

With the roar of twin straight pipes and the clang of the morning bell, another day at Kubasaki High School begins.

The American High School on Okinawa has had a hectic history...beginning in September, 1946 at the old Camp Howard site overlooking Buckner Bay with an enrollment of about 25, and then switching to Awase in 1947-48 where it stayed for three years. We were then carted off to the present location of Kubasaki-by-the-sea...or in-the-mud...whichever you prefer.

## **K**ay's ubasaki olumn

Kubasaki is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, with courses offered second to none. We have everything from Clothing I and Shop to Speech and Trigonometry. Even with the expert teaching staff, you'll find a small number of "goof-offs" and kids who've been freshmen for three years, but all in all Kubasaki is a better than average High School.

The school day lasts from 8:50 when the bell rings for homeroom head count, until 3:40 when the busses start loading for the long trip home. The noon siren is the signal for grades 9-12 to dash to the lunchroom for a riotous half hour of sandwiches, soft drinks, the latest gossip, and mad studying on the part of the 5th period Chemistry class. A note here for Mr. Bryant, the Chemistry teacher who gives such hard tests every Friday...why??? We're not as dumb as we look...or are we?? Mr. Bryant is the sponsor of the Senior National Honor Society, and is doing a terrific job in his first year here in the "Hole".

The Student Council, active since 1949, has been an invaluable asset in promoting and organizing educational and school activities. Elections were held in the latter part of January, but results were not available at presstime. A word of thanks to President Bill Fitzgerald who really did his job well, and the same goes for the rest of the former officers. Mr. Charles E. Styer has done wonders as Faculty Advisor.

Mr. Styer also acts as dramatics director for the three plays put on during the year, and is sponsor of the Thespian Society, established here last year. The society has 7 charter members and held their installation January 25 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Taggart.

Other entertainment for the students includes the assemblies given by each of the four high school grades. The latest was the Junior Assembly presented on January 23...a fun-packed hour that kept the audience in stitches from beginning to end.

The basketball team, ably coached by Mr. Brown, is one of the finest we've had. As some of you probably know, the Kubasaki team went to Japan for the fourth time last year and came back Far East Champions. We're hoping to keep the trophy for another year, and everyone will have their fingers crossed when the Kubasaki 12 leave for the High School tournament on February 28 and March 1 and 2.



The big issue THIS MONTH is, of course, "La Prom!" Details are scarce, as Junior Prexy Linda Hamlin ain't sayin' nothin'. However, it's common knowledge on the part of the eavesdropping Senior class that the big blow-out will take place at the Rycom Officers Club. So what else is new?

## Kay's Kubasaki Column

Student-Teacher Day, slated for the 6th is rather undecided. Students are picked, sometimes by the teacher or by election, to take over the class for one day. Naturally, there's little or no homework. We wonder who'll take English IV?

On May 9, Mr. Charles Styer will present "Dino" a play about Juvenile delinquency in three acts, for the high school student body. On the night of May 10, the public is invited to attend the evening performance at the Kubasaki High School auditorium. The unusual feature of this play is the fact that it has two casts--the other, a junior high group, will present its version on May 15 and 16 for a junior high audience. On May 17, the play will again be open to the public. The part of Dino will be played by Larry Federoff, a Senior who, as Director Styer says, looks quite promising. The "junior" Dino will be portrayed by Jim Mason.

The Seniors are at it again--this time it's the feature production of the year, the Sayonara Assembly. We hope they'll read the prophecy, which promises to be quite interesting, thanks to the "unknown" authors. Rumor has it that two Juniors took part in the doings.

Senator Styer, our beloved latin teacher, will host at the forth coming Latin Banquet to be held at Harborview Club from 7 to 10:15 p.m. on the 18th. Who's scheduled to be your slave, sir? Remember your promise? And who's going to do the dance of the seven veils...how about Fleaburt?

Do you all realize that there are only 29 more days of school ... according to the calculations of Bleenie Kukelbody and Joe Pishkedelurky. How many Seniors will be around next year?

Everyone seems to be coming back for the summer ...Mike Hughes, Joan Emblem, Valerie Skuse, possibly Dick Morgan, George Kane, and various and sundry others. Wouldn't it be great to have a class reunion?

Rycom Teenage Club is the proud owner of a brand new Hi-Fi system at a price running into three figures, we are told. (Turn bass control for more bottom, says Magoo...) Can't you just hear Little Richard's "Lucille" in Hi-Fi?

That's 30 for this month, but we'll be back again in June with the "getting out" edition. Stick with us, huh?

1957 Kubasaki High School Graduating Class



**THIS MONTH ON OKINAWA JUN 1957**



As I sit here gazing out of the study hall window, it seems impossible that school will be out on the 7th of this month. Semester teasts were delivered (and I do mean delivered) on the 29th and the 31st—with a holiday in between designated for study.(?) Seniors turned in their dog-eared books on Friday, the 31st, and don't have to come back til the 7th for the annual highschool awards assembly. And I *still* can't believe that after all these years of being a candle-holder, flower pot and ribbon-tier, I was one of the 31 Seniors who tripped down the aisle June 2 at the Baccalaureate ceremony, and was able to muster up a cap and gown four days later for Commencement.

## Kay's Kubasaki Column

Everything during the last three weeks of May was hectic to say the least—pictures, the final arrival of the Torii (which was the greatest, thanks to Editor Dottie Wise and the yearbook staff), erasing all the marks in beat-up English books, collecting old notes from old flames, scraping chewing gum from the desks in Algebra II class, signing for caps and gowns, being *extra* nice to overwrought faculty, and all the other little incidentals that go to make up another year's jump from Junior to Senior and Senior to Freshman.

All this, of course, takes a back seat when mention of the prom is made—held at the Rycom Club on May 24th. President Linda Hamlin and fellow Juniors really worked their fingers to the proverbial bones to present one of the “earthiest” (that's the new word... “earthy”) affairs in ages. Need we say more? (I should say we were whisked to and from the prom in shiny black limousines, but the Juniors had other ideas. Although not official at presstime, several small parties were planned for “after the shindig”...)

Departing in June for Presley-land are Dottie Wise, Roz Macko, and other honorables...college life will be a change, to say the least...(Why doesn't that letter come?)

Jobs will be available this summer for the lucky ones. Just be on your toes, they won't be screaming for people to sharpen pencils long, you know.

Mari Moore Joan Emblem, Valerie Skuse Sam Oglesby, George Kane, Dick Morgan, and the rest of the “old gang” are due in sometime soon...what a ball...

Thanks here to all the faculty, Mr. Howland, “Blackie” the photographer, Pat Prosser and her “Kubasaki Korner”, the staff of the madhouse (lunchroom), Capt. Brown and her nursing crew, the Swank Shop and their recent fashion show, the buildings (for holding up another year), and to all those who contributed to make this one of Kubasaki's finest school years. See you...at the beach.

*(Editors Note: Now that Kay Taggart has graduated, TM is looking for a columnist to carry on with teenage news this summer and Kubasaki doings next fall. If interested, please call 882536.)*





### QUEST FOR LEARNING

The mildly amused young ladies above all have something in common—they are or will be college students this year. The two girls in the center, (from left to right) are Kay Taggart and Tori Matchett, who both graduated from Kubasaki this year. Joan Embelm (extreme right) and Valerie Skuse recently returned from the University of New Mexico, where Joan will be a sophomore, Valerie a junior this fall. Tori will go to school in San Francisco, while Kay—if Miami will let her in—will try Florida. (RYAD Photo)

**THIS MONTH ON OKINAWA JUL 1957  
KAY TAGGART OF KAY'S KUBASAKI  
KOLUMN**



*Replacing Kay's Kubasaki Kolumn for this issue is Tom Gager's column below dealing with the teenage crowd.*

Here it is July already and it seems as if everyone has left—Dottie Wise, Pat Hailey, Roz Macko, Penny Kim, Jim Lawhn, John Lipitch, “Cosmo” Perry, “Cool Dan” Waterhose and Pinky Cole. Despite this mass evacuation, things are still happening—to replace those who have departed, George Kane, Carol Spreng, Joan Emblem, Valerie Skuse, Larry Medlock, Sam Oglesby, Dick Morgan and Mike Hughes have come back for a visit. **Tom's humb**

Jack Kearn's Teen Age Club is really jumping with their new prexy—Hank Thomas. Also Vice-pres Bucky Neal and Sooky Davis, as the toe-typing sec'y, have big things in mind. The treasurer is Sally Rice with Muscles Barfield and Big Billy Melver as Bouncers.

Kay Taggart, with her side-kick, Dick Mickleson, both of F.E.N.O. fame, are dissolving their perky program as Dick leaves for parts Unknown. In a month Kay will be on her way to the University of Miami. We'll miss their Nite Watch Program (“650 Sounds Nifty”)!

It's difficult to look at last year's Junior Class as the Senior Class of '58, occupying the exalted position held only by graduating classes. A great gay will be left in the class when their twice-elected President, Linda Hamlin leaves this month. Best of luck, Linda! A good question is: what will happen to John Hoffman's ego when he finds himself a Senior after all these years of insisting that all Seniors were unbearable? Will the Class of '58 be an exception in the Rule of Repulsive Seniors?

One of the best things that happened in the last month was the trip on Mr. Kilkenney's schooner, the *Vagabond* with Mr. Conroy as skipper and cousin Rosie as ship-shape hostess. Leaving early in the morning with a load of apprentice, sleepy sailors, the *Vagabond* got underway for an isle onto which Captain Conroy could unload his group and have all of the food (from the Taggart cuisine) on board for himself. In the middle of the afternoon the sunburnt hoard re-boarded the vessel and made for home. Enroute, the Captain had the opportunity to exercise his traditional authority. After proclaiming Pinky Cole and Sue Davis “master and mate” he tried to find a suitable victim for a proper ship's burial but couldn't. All in all it was a wonderful trip.

And how could we forget our industrious wage earners? While the rest of us loll around and enjoy summer, Pat O'Brien is looking for telephone books in Sukiran Library, Edie Geer is dusting volumes at the Mercy Library and Bobbie Smalley keeps watch over the new Rycom Teen-Age Club library. Darrel Conine, Henry Thomas and Mike O'Brien are also at work. This is just to mention a few of the many.

QUESTION OF THE MONTH: Why doesn't Carol pull down her shades?

**THIS MONTH ON OKINAWA JUL 1957**



*News from the Teenage world.*

**C**arol's  
**h**atter

Just a little over one more month and we'll all be back at the grind.. but there've been a number of changes made. The NEW Kubasaki High School will be located in the Naha Port Area, and will still be called Kubasaki. Seventh and Eighth grade students will attend Junior High School in the Machinato-Naha Perimeter Area. The new High School consists of two converted barracks, a gym, cafeteria, and campus. It seems as though the Army has spent beaucoup Army money for a new school for us, and in turn they expect us to live up to the name of a good school.

Eighty-four new teachers will dock at Okinawa on Aug. 22 and will be met by Mrs. Brunner. The ship(?) which is bringing the teachers is the M.M. Patrick, and there are daily activities planned for all the new lehrers.

Hats off to the graduating class of '57!...to all those who applied (and were accepted) in colleges in the states and to all those who will be over here another year or so. Pat O'Brien seems to be one of the lucky ones with a full time job at Sukiran Library. Happy shelving, Patrick!

A number of youth activities have been planned for the summer. At Awase school, kindergarten through fourth grade students are participating in the Summer Activities Program, supervised by twelve high school girls. At Rycom Teen Age club, grades five through twelve meet daily for various supervised activities...swimming, tennis, rifle markmanship, gymnastics, arts, and crafts, dramatics, photography, ballroom dancing, sewing, and archery and Japanese language, soroban, and doll making are the subjects scheduled for the rest of the term. Summer Activities will end on August 23.

Tori: Why in the world did your sister work in the French Underground?. Summer School will end on August 2. Sukiran School has been the site for all grades one-six, Junior, and SENIOR High. There was a summer school program at Kadena for grades one-six. All grades (1-12) from Naha Air Base and Machinato summer school students attended Sukiran Summer School.

Rycom Teen Club has a jam-packed schedule for August...There will be a "Come as you are" party on the second, a skating party at Kadena Roller Ring on the 10th, a "Get Acquainted" Dance on the 16th, a Rock 'N Roll show on the 17th, a Beauty contest on the 24th, and a Beach Party on the 30th.

Beginning on August 3, there will be a Saturday night dinner on the first Saturday of every month...this time I believe the main dish will be fried chicken...and all the trimmings, for only \$.75 a person.

Orchids to Maj. Niederman and Mr. Hoffman for getting our facts straight for this edition of Carol's Chatter. They were really great!



*News from the Kubasaki Senior High School mob,*

What was it that Dennis the Menace said when report cards came out? "Oh well, I was tired of watching television anyway." That was such an appropriate statement for so many on the 25th when the boom fell. Some people did do quite well—even Ellen Miller!

**C**arol's  
Chatter

The Senior class play, "Curtain Going Up", will be presented early in December. Ellen Miller (is she in *everything*?) heads the cast, playing Mrs. Burgess. Judy Johnson is the student director and "Old Grouch" Charles E. Styer is our faculty director.

Our 5 new cheerleaders, elected on the 23rd, are all set for a neat year—they'll back the teams at the school games and get some school spirit into KHS.

It certainly would be nice if we had some high-chairs in our lab... Somebody told the following: *Little Girl*—Mommy, why are we having Christmas in August? *Mother*—Shut up, you little brat! You know you're dying of leukemia!

The Junior NHS held its first meeting on the 28th, sponsored by Mr Styer. Mrs. Ross is sponsoring the Senior NHS this year—there's to be an installation for the Seniors on the 20th of this month.

Holidays are right around the corner. Five extra whole days of freedom in November and early December. The 11th is Veterans Day and the Thanksgiving vacation is from the 18th until Dec. 2.

How does shoe leather taste, Pat Read? these uninvited people (?) that charge in and take away party guests...Speaking of Pats, old P. O'Brien is working pretty hard these days. Take it easy Pat, even if you are a graduate.

The 2nd six weeks ends on the 27th. School seems to go faster when you're a Senior. Maybe too fast.

One last note...the KHS Halloween Party at Sukiran School on the 31st was a pretty keen idea, ne? We should have more like that.

**Hey, Readers?**

Got anything you want to see in print? Any corny jokes? Any ideas to make this a better column? If so, tell Carol—or drop a line to Carol's Chatter, Naha CPO Box 82, Okinawa and we'll pass it on to her. The Editors.

**THIS MONTH ON OKINAWA NOV 1957**



Well here we go again with the news of the teen-agers from Kubasaki. Everyone seems to be enjoying themselves recently...they should be. No school.

## Amy's Antics

The Christmas Formal was celebrated at Castle Terrace on Monday the 23rd of December. It was more than successful. After the formal, everyone motovated to the O'Briens for sandwiches and drinks (soft). Another one of Dennis' wild parties.

It seems as though the Flu Epidemic has struck, with many of us suffering or having suffered. It also seems to be endangering our social world... Yes, Fred Blackburn had a more then wonderful Christmas. I guess he's quite happy with his new car. Speaking of cars, Tom Manning seems happy too. He has his own car.

Well Cindy, looks like you've got competiton. Sue also received a monkey for Christmas. No, not a real one, just a fashionable monkey purse.

Elections for the second semester officers are coming up soon. The first semester officers worked hard and did a splendid job for us... Most of the girls are wearing the new outfits they received for Christmas. The color seems to be black, mostly made into a slender sheath. Jersey sheaths are quite fashionable, Lynda Rammes has one which is quite becoming to her. Bright red is also in fashion during the holidays.

Wonder how Tom McGiboney got the name of "Lonc?" Do you know, Nancy?...Looks as though Dennis O'Brien has finally broken the ice and is finally dating. Congratulation, Dennis.

The rumor is that there will be five new cheerleaders appointed for the Junior Varsity Squad...Gee, Carol, did Hal really give you that beautiful case? What about the great P.F.C. bar?...Wonder what Tam Clark is doing way down at Chinen? Haven't seen her around recently. So happy that you got to call Paul.

What happened to that Thunderbird that you were supposed to get for Christmas, Mike? Looks like Santa forgot about you, but maybe he'll remember you next year.

That's it for now, gang. Next month, ne?



Well, here we go again. Lets start out with the latest happenings on and around the campus. The semester exams are finally over, but it seems as though school just started a few weeks ago. I guess with all the activities of school going on, it just keeps everyone on the ball!

## Amy's Antics

A shower for Mrs. Colby, Kubasaki's girls P.E. instructor, was given to her by all the girls. As she sat in the midst of all the girls, she opened her beautiful gifts ranging from silverware to diapers and blankets. Everyone enjoyed the party, and refreshments were served. Hope you enjoyed yourself, Mrs. Colby,

It seems to me that there has been a change of teachers at Kubasaki and we all would like to welcome them to Kubasaki. We'd also like to wish the ones who will be leaving a "Sayonara."

Now a bit of social news. Pat Prosser celebrated her birthday at Mercy Officers Club last month—we'd like to wish you many more Happy Birthdays, Pat! Another crazy party will be given by Julie Simons on Feb. 7th and will be held at the Castle Terrace. Lets also wish Julie a Happy Birthday. Tommy Johnson celebrated his birthday,—he even had a beauty of a cake at school, baked by the talented cook, "Fran."

Rumor is that Darrell Conine and Jim Barfield are both taking ballet lessons. Can you imagine that? Also that Di-Di O'Brien has a life-like, full size statue of Elvis Presley in her bedroom...amazing how many fans he has all over the world. Another rumor is that Debbie Long has found herself a new prospect, someone by the name of Jim. Whats this all about, Debbie?

Now for the fashion world. It seems that many of the girls are wearing bulky sweaters, and both Nina Winter and Sue Davis own purple ones. The sweaters are quite fashionable and could be worn with winter skirts or for the sporty fashion, with treads, capris, and pedal-pushers. The boys seem to be wearing the casual sweater with levis and I must say, they look great! Great, I say, great.

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**THIS MONTH ON OKINAWA FEB 1958**



## V: Island Activities

A new term starts this month, and with it the promise of better grades—probably a broken promise.

The cheerleaders are starting to smile again—they recently got a letter which indicates they'll be able to go to Japan with the basketball team. Good luck, girls. The team, incidentally, is really proud of their new uniforms, which include white warm-up jackets, two green and white jerseys, and, of course, the warm-up shorts. They were purchased out of the school funds and the boys look sharp in them. Rumor has it that they're leaving around the 10th and will be in Japan for about a week.

There have been quite a few girls lately which we welcome to Okinawa, but what about some boys for us girls? De Tyler seems to have made a great hit here and we sure do hope that you enjoy yourself. (Don't worry, you'll get used to this place.) I've gathered from De that Linda Brownfield was one of her closest friends in Pennsylvania. Small world, isn't it.

Have you seen Roxanne Ruddy's new engagement ring? It's been exactly a year since she started going with the guy who gave it to her. Carol Presley and Jerry have hit the five month mark and so have Charlotte and Don. Even the freshmen are getting in the act—Arty Shaw and Pat Joy have been seen together quite a bit lately, as well as Marsha Joy and Will Prestridge—and Clifford and pretty Jeanne. When will Tom Sears find himself a gal?

Latest fad around school is that all of the brave girls are either dying their hair or adding a rinse. Pabs Barrett's was a light brown with a touch of peroxide, which is now an exciting dark brown. Sue Davis had brown hair but is now really a blonde that's something to look at. Sally Sanders finally dyed her hair back to its normal color—looks cute, too. Nine Winter just had her hair cut down to a "Duck Tail"—and I mean cut.

Seems Babara Scherberger, now in Texas, recently won an essay contest that was accepted for publication. So...not all Kubas akiites are hopeless after all.

See you next month

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THIS MONTH ON OKINAWA MAR 1958



## V: Island Activities

Here we are again with more news with the teenagers of Kubasaki. Friday, the 28th, certain periods were excluded for an assembly at the Wheel Theater. An educational film, "The Missile Men" was shown for part of the high school. A couple of sections of the Freshmen class did not get to go.

**A**my's  
**Antics**

School was let out Friday for Spring Vacation, and now is the time for a week-end at Okuma! Various teenagers will be spending part of their vacation up there, Sounds like fun!

Now we'll start out with some news about the campus. First of all, we'd like to welcome Bill Lock to Kubasaki and hope that you'll like it here, Bill. Seems as though he's already made quite a hit at school. We'd also like to welcome Judy Hagood back to Okinawa. She had a great Vacation in Hawaii, so she says.

There has been quite a few slumber parties. There was a party at the Rycom Teenage Club and the chaperones were none other then Mrs. Sumners and Mrs. Morris. It was quite a blast and we'd all like to thank both of our Sponsors for coming up and staying with us. Sue Davis also had a slumber party, the 28th, and had an awful lot of girls staying with her. A combination birthday party and going away party was held at Sherry Fare's for Mike Fowler and Gene Harper last Friday night. Good luck Gene, I guess you've been waiting quite a while for this occassion.

A Twirp Dance will be held at the Rycom Teenage Club the 29th. A Twirp Queen will also be chosen, the one who acquires the most number of twirp tickets. The rumor holds that Barbara Allen received 95 tickets from the boys. The girls had to do various things for the boys this past week, and I must say it was fun for the boys and torture for the girls.

Girls started to wear summer clothes this week until the cold front from Korea came up. There had been a few plans about beach parties and such, but the change of weather has cancelled them.

Thats about all for now from the teenagers of Kubasaki! See you in the next issue?

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### YOUTH CENTERS

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**Mashinato Youth Center**—M/Sgt. Stern, supervisor. Phone 75100. Open Mon thru Fri 12:30 to 10 p.m.; Sat 11 to 11; Closed Sun. Beach party every Tue.

### Nina's Nonsense by Nina Winter

No more falling down the hill into the ditch and no more carbonated drinks seem to be two of the discussed changes that have taken place at Kubasaki as of this year. The 1958-59 school term began in much more organized confusion than last year, when students were greeted on the first day by Mr. Styer, standing in the front hall, knee deep in water, with a "show must go on" look on his face.

Along with all else, there is a new senior class, which should prove to be the best in years. Unfortunately, they're currently without a lounge. Sponsor for the class is everybody's favorite, Mrs. Sumners, and the newly elected officers are; Tony Neely, President, Larry Mills, Vice-president, Jan Stetler, Secretary, Cindy Hawkins, Treasurer, Jim Westbrook, Parliamentarian, and last, but not least, Amy Nitahara, Mascot. Great going, Kids.

Out of class, everyone concentrates on having a good time. The Get Acquainted Dance, Student Council sponsored, featured music by the Flairs (Tony Zurl & Company) and a floor show. The dance was a big success, and had a good attendance

I'm all out of space, so that's all for now. See you next month!

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THIS MONTH ON OKINAWA OCT 1958





### SHRINE RODEO QUEEN CONTEST WINNERS

The six lovely girls above are the winners of the contest for the Queen of the Shrine Rodeo. Left to Right: Setsuko Sakumoto, Attendant, Tomiko Yamashiro, Attendant; Kimiko Tomayose, Ryukyuan Queen; Sue Mason, American Queen, Barbara Reed, Attendant; Barbara Allen, Attendant. The three stalwarts in the rear are not really queens—they are: Charles Beaver, John Warner, and Richard Woodside, all members of the Okinawa Shrine Patrol. The queens will reign at the Shrine Rodeo which takes place on November 9th. (Blackie the Photographer).

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### **Nina's Nonsense** by Nina Winter

What's new at Kubasaki? Happily for the seniors, they now have a well-equipped senior lounge—all they need now is sound-proofing and a six speaker Hi-Fi!!

Report cards are out...for some few, this is good news, but for the majority of the herd, who wait until the weekend is over before presenting them to their parents, they are far from welcome.

Newly aroused school spirit showed itself at the cheerleading assembly, where the hopefuls gave several cheers. The seven new cheerleaders for the year are Jan Stetler, Karen Steiler, Sue Davis, Dandy Barrett, Mary Frances Pace, De Tyler, and Barbara Allen. Congratulation to all of you!

Everybody looks forward to a continuation of the excitement experienced thus far at the football games. In the first game Sukiran triumphed over Kadena with "Touchdown" Tony Neely doing a great job for Sukiran with three TDs! In the second game, Stan Edwards was the hero of the game, when he made the lone touchdown for Machinato against Kadena. The third game, Sukiran VS Machinato was played in wet weather, and resulted in no score.

Hats off to Tony Zurlo, the new president of the Student Council, who is working very hard to make it better than ever before...let's everyone give him a hand to make this a successful year!

That's all for now...see you next month in *This Month*.



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Hope the Xmas holidays treated you well! Now comes the January mid-year drag...

Getting back to December, one of the best weekends was the one featuring the arrival of the Taiwan basketball team, cheerleaders, and pep club. This was quite a treat for all, for it was fun having another high school team to compete against, and new kids to meet.

Both games were played in the Stillwell Fieldhouse, with Kubasaki the victor in both. After the Friday night game everyone went up to the USARYIS Teen Club, so that the schools could get acquainted. Several people commented that it was a pity the club wasn't always so crowded!

The second, and concluding game, was played at 2:00 on Saturday. That night the Junior class play was presented, with the cast doing a fine job. After the play Nanne Chalgreen had an open house, and what a terrific party it was!

Tori and Steve Matchett were a welcome sight, back for the holidays from school in the states.

There ought to be more days like Senior Silence Day, which was held on the 15th. It was a ball, though few seniors could refrain from talking, much to the enjoyment of the underclassmen.

That's it for now. See you next month in THIS MONTH!



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### Nina's Nonsense by Nina Winter

Exam time has come and gone, leaving scores of exhausted, and possibly failing, students. Apparently this year even the mighty seniors are going to be cramming for tests, since there seems no chance for exemptions.

Good luck to the new Student Council officers... Rich Hays, our ambitious president, Bob Crawford, VP, Mary Frances Pace, Secretary, Diane Cavanagh, Treasurer, and lastly, Terry Duniho, Parliamentarian.... Hope you won't find the previous SC minutes TOO difficult to translate, Mary Frances!

OUR MISS BROOKS should prove to be a great play, judging from the cast and noted director, Mr. C. Styer....it will be presented twice, on February 20 and 21, at Sukiran.

Looking back into the past, New Year's Eve was especially fun for those who attended Rich's party. Did it EVER end, Rich?! Kita Rivers had a slumber party the same night, with a weary bunch sleeping well into New Year's Day. On the 2nd, Tony and Jeanette Zurlo threw an Open House, giving a final flourish to the holiday season. That's all we need now... a two-week vacation!

Pabs Barrett and Rileyne Bryant are both wearing beautiful diamond rings, and looking particularly happy!

Amos, *when* are you going to drive to Naha in your car?...or are you too busy learning play lines?!

That's about it for now... See you next month in THIS MONTH!

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### Nina's Nonsense by Nina Winter

Believe it or not, Kubasaki has had a revival of school spirit! It is a wonderful thing, and should make the remainder of the year much more pleasant. One person really behind this move is Rich Hays, SC prexy. Rich has worked hard on a number of projects, among them getting buses for the last two basketball games, and backing the Torii Valentine Dance.

The surge of enthusiasm evident at Kubasaki now can be maintained only through the participation of each student in social functions and in sports activities, whether as a member or a spectator.

The last two games had a large turnout and the team, spurred on by the cheers of the crowd, won both. By the time this column is printed, the team will probably be in Japan for the tournament.

The Valentine Dance was a great success, and the decorations were beautiful...Crowning the "Sweetheart of KHS", Jan Stetler, was the highlight of the evening. Her attendants were Nuni Neely, Vicki Carlson, Sandy Urich, and Karen Stetler.

On the 6th of February Sherry Fare gave a party at her home celebrating her birthday, with a slumber party following. The next night, Barbara Allen also threw a large party on her birthday.

Out of space for now. See you next month in THIS MONTH!

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**Kadena Teen Haven**—KAB. Miss Jean Nelson, supervisor, phone 48136. Teenage Club open Fri 7:30 p.m.—11 p.m. Sat. 1:30—4:30; 7:30—1100. Sun; 1:30 to 4:30. Apr. 3rd, 5th AF Talent Contest. Apr. 4th. April Fool's Dance. Apr. 11th, Cinderella Dance. Apr. 18th Ice Cream Social, Apr. 24, Rainbow Romp with the "Flairs". Apr. 5th, Tour of Glass Factory.

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### **Nina's Nonsense** by Nina Winter

Tales of fun and \$6.00 cashmere sweaters arrived with the cheerleaders when they came back to school. The Dragons, alias "Shamrocks", took 1st place in the Tournament, and Kubasaki couldn't be prouder.

Skip Day is an event eagerly anticipated. Also the apparently vain hope that Seniors with a "B" average be exempt from exams is floating around. This would be too good to be true!

A new Senior, Linda Herrick, arrived during the week of March 8th. Linda is from Albuquerque, New Mexico, and will attend the University next fall. As far as college is concerned, several students have already been accepted; Diane Cavanagh at San Francisco College for Women, and Martha Woodbury at the University of Rhode Island. Malcolm, are those application fees STILL too high? See you next month in THIS MONTH!

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### Nina's Nonsense by Nina Winter

Due to a three week vacation in Japan, newsgathering was confined to several frantic telephone calls. Results show that April was really the month for parties. Barbara Allen gave one on the 10th, and Bill Tharp followed up with another "wild party" at his isolated castle at Chinen. Mike Mandel surprised Nancy O'Brien with a birthday party at Castle Terrace, and Tony Neely wound up this burst of party-giving at his house on the 17th.

With preparing for Baccalaureate, graduation, and various "extras", the seniors are all wondering how they will be able to fit study for exams into their program!

The theme of the Junior-Senior prom has been decided, and it seems that knowledge of it has strayed from within the boundaries of the Junior class. At any rate, this occasion is greatly anticipated by all, with the exception of some senior boys, who are struggling with the problem of "who to invite." See you next month in THIS MONTH!

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# NINA'S NONSENSE

by Nina Winter

"Somewhere Over the Rainbow" lay the Junior Senior Prom, held at Castle Terrace on May 15. As the major social event of the year, this dance truly fulfilled all expectations, and was a night that the seniors will not soon forget.

The decorations were outstanding, with much of the credit going to Sharon Fleming and Madalon Grand, who worked very hard as did all the committees, to make "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" a Prom that would go down in Kubasaki's history as one of the very best....and it was.

The floor show was an excellent one, with the Gundakeers, (Ray Lent, Terry Duniho, Larry Mills, and Sherwood Carter), and the guitars of Bob Rubin, San Andrew, and Steve Pierce. Talented Dandy Barrett, Castle Terrace vocalist, sang throughout the evening, and her brother Beaver also received much applause when he sang four songs, including a swinging of version "Charlie Brown."

The great alumni turned out that night to look over the current crop of seniors, and size up their doubtful merits. Mike Ramnes, Susan Helfert, John Fish, and Karen Peterson were among them.

And so, amid scattered shoes, lost earrings, and fallen rose petals another Junior-Senior Prom rolled to a close. Not so the fun. A before-the-Prom party was given by Sue Davis at her home in Machinato, and after the Prom, Tom Murray threw an open house. The abundance of food, guests, and fun lasted well into the night, and finally, at around 2:30, the party ended, amid shouts of "See you later," and "What do we do now?" This question was settled for some by a breakfast at Cindy Hawkins' house. Breakfast consisted of fantastic waffles, compliments of the great chef Pat Keenan, and totally charred bacon, credit going to Tony Zurlo.

Doubtlessly by the time THIS MONTH for June comes out, Pabs Barrett will be Mrs. Russell Tagliareni. Congratulations, Russ, and all good luck in the future!

It is hoped that many past Kubasaki graduates will be returning this summer; Sandy Reddrick, and Penny and Sandy Hardy are expected early in June.

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## NINA'S NONSENSE

With the advent of summer all the clubs are planning events, such as pool and beach parties, hayrides, and other activities to keep everyone occupied during these lazy days....just as a casual reminder, school is slated to begin on or about the second week in September.

A meeting of this fall's Student Council was held at Miss Turner's mansion, overlooking the Sukiran teacher's area. The purpose of this meeting was to plan next year's activities, decide what should be stocked in the new student's book store, and consider future dances and ways to start off the coming year with a bang. Officers of this year's Student Council are Bruce Read, president, Mike Dash, VP, Bernice Cartlidge, secretary, Bill Lawton, treasurer, and Dandy Barrett, Parliamentarian. Miss Turner has "kindly" consented to be SC sponsor again this year.... rumor has it that Kubasaki will have another building in addition to the present over-crowded two.

Broken hearts seem to be much in evidence, since so many Kubasakites are returning to USA-shima. Jan and Karen Stetler are off to Ft. Meade, Maryland, and Freddie Blackburn has gone to Florida.

Pabs and Russ Tagliarini left from Kadena on the 31st of June; they will go first to Jersey City, and then to Waco, Texas. Lynda Ramnes, brother Mike, and Barbara Roll all left on the same ship on the 8th of July. One of Kubasaki's cheerleaders, Barbara Allen, left for New Jersey recently, also.

More of the "college clan" has returned from Ike's Island for the summer. Some of the more recent arrivals are: Mike Hughes, Winona Kim, Penny and Sandy Hardy, Sandy Reddrick, Larry Kelly, and last, but by no means least, handsome and penniless Gary Crawford, who is quoted as having been indignant at not being mentioned in last month's column.

The island lost one of its prize students and sportsmen when Larry Mills left by plane for his home state, Virginia. Larry, the recipient of the RYCOM Officer's Wives's scholarship, will attend the University of Virginia this fall.

Thanks to Bruce Read for his help in this month's column. From now on Bruce will be writing this column, though he is having slight difficulty in finding a name for it. Any ideas?

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## READ'S RITIN'

by Bruce Read

**Well here we are** in the closing blast of the summer with the constant buzz of activity around some of us and the long hours of boredom clinging to others. This summer has certainly set a record for the biggest change-over of students. Ranging from the junior high grades to the senior high, there will be more new faces and personalities to become acquainted with than ever before at Kubasaki. And mark your calenders...school will begin on the 8th of September, the Monday after Labor Day.

**That brings to mind...**There is going to be a Get-Acquainted Dance the first week of school, so you guys get busy and line yourselves up some women. This will be a semi-formal affair tentatively set for Castle Terrace. Further info will be posted the first week of school, so keep it in mind!

**The ships** have been leaving the docks of Oki the past few weeks crowded with departing Kubasaki students, this year's grads, and the returning college clan. Of the students...Paul Philapavich, K.C. Milton, Donna Dean, Connie Askunis. Of this year's grads'...Nina Winter, who did such an excellent job writing this column—previously called NINA'S NONSENSE. Sue Davis, Pat Hagen, Glen Colman. My pardon; we must not forget Bob Crawford, Bill Tharp, and Tony Zurlo, Linda Heric, Mike Helfert, and Martha Woodbury of the graduates.

**The Rycom Teen Club** recently held a wonderful performance at the Fort Buckner Theatre. You may easily say that the Teen-Age Follies might never have been shown if it had'nt been for that ever-lovin' Sgt. Andrews, the club sponsor. This show was really considered great by all the onlookers and they might tour the island and even venture to Japan and Korea if plans click. Let's wish them the best!

**The Latest news** has it that Nancy O'Brien and parents will be coming back to Okinawa. Nancy will be fulfilling her Sophomore year at Kubasaki. Having been a resident here for quite some time it will be nice to have her back, no?

**A record might** be broken this fall...that is for the graduating class of '59 at Kubasaki. There will be four students out of a class of seventy some odd attending the U. of New Mexico: They are Nina Winter, Tony Neely, Bob Crawford, and Ray Lent. So until next month, if you want your news knowed. rite Read.

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## READ'S RITIN'

by Bruce Read

**Yes, the closing blast** of the summer is blown; no more week-day parties; no more hours of boredom to put up with. You are now honoring the opportunity to get back into the rut of school days. For many of you it is a welcome time, and for others...well, to them, Thanksgiving holiday begins the evening of the 25th and lasts through the morning of the 30th of November.

**The Student Council** held its annual Get-Acquainted Dance at the Rycom Teen Club Friday, the 11th of September. It was catered by the Fort Buckner Officers Club and entertained by a hot combo of the 29th Army Band, under CWO Hollowell. Thanks to all those who were there and who really made a night of it!

**Kubasaki** has now been under way for a few weeks and things are beginning to roll. The class elections were held a while back as Bill Lawton, Jim Mason, and Dwaine Kaneshiro came out on top to become the Senior, Junior, and Sophomore presidents respectively. Also the football season is looking very high spirited as all three teams—Sukiran, Kadena, and Machinato/Naha—are all looking toward the league championship. By season's end each will have played 6 games.

**The majority** of the transformation of students coming to and from Ike's Island was completed by the latter part of August. However, Dick Hartman, Jack Hudson, and Tex Westbrook were some who were not on their way until the close of the summer. Bill Dalton also left behind a broken heart when he returned from the states a couple of weeks back.

**To say a word now** to Mike Mandel, who did so fine a job working at KSBK radio station this past summer. There were not many kids on the Rock who did not have their favorite hit spun for them by way of one of Mike's programs at one time or another. Everyone thanks you for your music!

**May we all wish** Sherry Fair a real good time in the States. Sherry was one of the old timers who just left for Patrick Air Force Base, Florida.

**And now** to tell the Alumni to really hit there U. of Md. courses hard so as to expand their well trained minds obtained at Kubasaki. Speaking directly to Don Abbot and Marshal Dennis, you haven't gotten away from it all yet! So until next month, if you want your news knowed, rite Read.

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## READ'S RITIN'

by Bruce Read

It's here. The period wherein the temperature drops to a mean 65 degrees and the chile becomes as raw as the temperature. It's around this time that the guys and dolls on the Rock begin to pour on the activities, and the spots that were once of little interest become bustling centers of liveliness.

The Little Three League football season came to its close with the Sukiran Knights surging out on top to retain the crown for the second year, holding down a 5-1-0 record. The other two teams; the Kadena Falcons and the Machinato/Naha Missiles battled right up until the end.

The scholastic outlook was brought back to light at Kubasaki once again when the National Honor Society conducted its semi-annual induction. This was held at the Naha Port Chapel with the honors of induction going to; Alford Rogers, Daniel Norby, Mary Ellen Loomis, Barbara Salettes, David Cude, Linda Crumly, James Mason, Paul Petersdorf, Teri Laybourn, Connie Kang, and Carl Tanagawa.

There was much evidence of a broken heart when a certain De Tylor left for U.S.A.-Shima in the latter part of November. She had been on Oki for quite some time, but has now departed from friends to gain new ones in Washington D.C.

What could be done without the "On Campus" columns in the *Morning Star* written by the alert Rick Carol. Weekly one may recieve the latest in the local Teenster activities around the island. After reading this column by Mr. Carol one can actually know what everyone else has been doing for the past week.

News of the latest... Keep in mind the Christmas Formal Dance to be held on the 21st of December, and also school the next day—unavoidable. There is also slated the Senior Class Play for the 18th of December. So until next month, if you want your news knowed, rite Read.

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## READ'S RITIN'

by Bruce Read

With the second semester getting well under way, many of us are looking ahead to the oncoming vacation...which of course, will be Easter week, beginning the ninth of April through the seventeenth. That may seem like a long way, off, but thanks to George we have a one day break on the 22nd of February, which will break the monotony for those who need it.

The Kubasaki Dragons are still in contention with the top of the list, as far as their record goes in the Naha League. It seems as though the whole team has had trouble being fielded all together once this year. The all important board man of the Dragons, Jim Bartley, has recently been off the court with a pinched neck nerve. However, with big Jim back on the lineup, the Kubasaki five should put some finishing touches on their closing games to fulfill a real smart season before venturing to the Japan tournament, slated for the first week of March. Thanks to all the Dragon followers who have been adding so much spirit to the ball games, along with the backing of the cheerleaders.

To all the Seniors at Kubasaki...the whole high school, as a matter of fact...Mrs. Morris departed for Honolulu around the first of January for an operation on her shoulder which had been giving her trouble. She is now visiting with relatives in Texas, and has tentative plans to return to Okinawa. Let's hope she does!

This an' That...Taiwan might compete in the games in Japan this year, along with their Okinawa trip...The Junior Class Play is slated for the 11th of February...Casey Williams is invaluable to the Devils by netting twenty points a game...The Cool Notes is a real up and coming combo. Wherever the "Notes" play, the teenagers flock sock. Second semester officers are: Pres., John Topping; Veep., Mike Mandel; Sec., Janet Helprin; Tres., Teri Laybourne.

Some advice...all you students keep hitting those books; and you Seniors, keep them open 74 more days. So, until next month, if you want your news knowed, rite Read.

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## READ'S RITIN

By Bruce Read

We're almost there now...back in the midst of those lazy days called summer. Just another month and you'll be lounging around the the sports that always awaken to the roving Teens of the Rock, fulfilling their tight schedule of pleasure and relaxation. So, all in all, this is a good month: good while it lasts and yet good when it passes away to open up the benevolent summer vacation.

Looking through the sportscope at Kubasaki now, we see the track and baseball programs in full swing. The track team generally holds their meets on Saturday afternoons, with the baseball squad scattering their contests throughout the week day afternoon. To all those interested in swimming, be sure and sign up with the proper persons...the team should be getting under way soon.

The Junior Red Cross is slating a full schedule of activities, instigating its followers to close out the school year by having made some noticeable accomplishments. They're exchanging albums this year with one of the other Far East high schools, illustrating the school's activities as far as Student Council, athletics, academic, Jr. Red Cross advancement, and other extracurricular participation is concerned. The Community Chest Drive is another function which will require the student body's backing. Lastly, do keep in mind whom you want for your officers; their term will continue through next year, and they will also be representing Kubasaki at the annual Jr. Red Cross convention to be held during the summer in Nikko, Japan.

This n' That; Prom night is not one to forget; get yourselves lined up, it's coming now! For the Seniors at KHS it's time to gaze forward to graduation marked for the second of June. The Commencement exercises are to be held at the Fort Buckner Theater. A date to remember...the Sayonara Dance slated for the 31st of May. It's always a smash with lots of good times included! There's a broken heart in a certain "Razor" on campus! Comes a sad heart, goes a sad heart. So until next month, if you want your news knowed, rite Read.



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## **READ'S RITIN**

By Bruce Read

**Nobody rests this month** as Kubasaki shuts its doors and the summer's activities are set before us; along with the Teen Age Club proposing their full schedules of events. Just the thought...you're out of school with two and a half months of loafing before you.

**To start the month**, probably the most important thing in the minds of many young men and women at Kubasaki is graduation. Baccalaureate has been set for the sixth of June at Kadena Elementary School beginning at Eight P.M. The Commencement Exercises are set for the ninth of June at Fort Buckner Theater, also beginning promptly at Eight. All the parents of the graduating students will be coming and friends are also cordially invited to attend.

**Student Council elections** were held last month to receive the new slate of officers for the oncoming year at Kubasaki. Those stepping in were: Jim Mason, President; Doug Stevens, Vice Pres.; Shei Henly, Sec., Jo Bruner, Tres.; and Myron Szafranski, Parliamentarian.

**The baseball and track programs** are coming to an end now with KHS finishing in high positions in both. For next year's football just keep in touch with the newspapers to catch opening spring practice.

**This an' That:** The Senior Class proudly announces its valedictorian as John Topping and its salutatorian as Gretel Geist.

**The Sayonara Dance** is the last social school function...all kinds of entertainment can be found there. It's just a real blast, held in the barn at school.

**It looks as if** there is going to be just as big a change over this year as there was last summer. This fall will also have seen the largest Senior class ever to depart from the Rock enroute to U.S.A..Shima.

**Thus**, to all those not fortunate enough to attend school next year, or to those who have already left the isle, farewell. And to those who have the opportunity of remaining here...you have the chance to lend your support toward the better development of the old home of the Dragons, KHS. So until next month, if you want your news Knowned, rite Read.

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**BERNIE'S BREW**

By Bernice Cartledge

**By now most of us have donned** our thinking caps and dancin' shoes in preparation for a lot of socializing fringed with a little book learnin'.

**An interesting and fabulous prelude** to this school year was the "Teen Follies of '60" directed by Mr. Ginnetti. The theme of the show was "Swingin' School". Twelve beautiful chorus girls opened the show to the theme song. Three philosophy majors explained the world situation with their version of the "Merry Minuet". Chip Powell had a few tender words to say upon the death of the A student, "Poor Jud". The dean of the school was portrayed by Mickey Pascoe doing a pantomime of "Freddie Flunkie". History class with its prize student, Judi Hagood, took everyone back to the days of the Charlston. Graduation ended the grand tour with an inspiring ceremony of modern dance. To all the people who worked in or with the show...Congratulations on your fine performances!

**Three fine teams are busily practicing** football in hopes of win this year's trophy. The head coaches of the Knights, Falcons, and Eagles this year are: Witt, Tucker, and Bechtal, respectively. Taking a glimpse of the Knights we find that although the line has had little experience the size of the boys is great. The backfield seems to be doing fine and there are a number of fleet runners. The ones who are making a fine showing include: J. and T. Zell, R. Baumgardner, B. Beacon, B. Sullivan, D. and F. Watts, M. Leach, D. Ligda, and D. Kaneshiro. Three fine players from the Falcons are: Dave Murray, Jack Lee, and Bill Brady. The Eagles can again boast the power of John Taylor and have also a newcomer who is really good, Ted Crosby.

**Cheerleaders are busy practicing** for the season too. The Kadena cheerleaders: Sandy Wilson, Lynne Bullock, Pat Lang, Linda Allan, Cheryl Hawkins, and Connie Teabolt are lead by their captain, Rhoda Watson.

**Student Council officers** elected last year to serve for this semester: Jim Mason, Doug Stevens, Shei Henley, Jo Bruner, and Myron Szafranski, have already busied themselves in preparation for another great school year. Shei did a fine job on the "Get-Acquainted Dance" and everyone danced to the music of the "Cool Notes".

**Again it is time to say so long** until next month. In the meantime if you want your news knowed—Call Cartledge.

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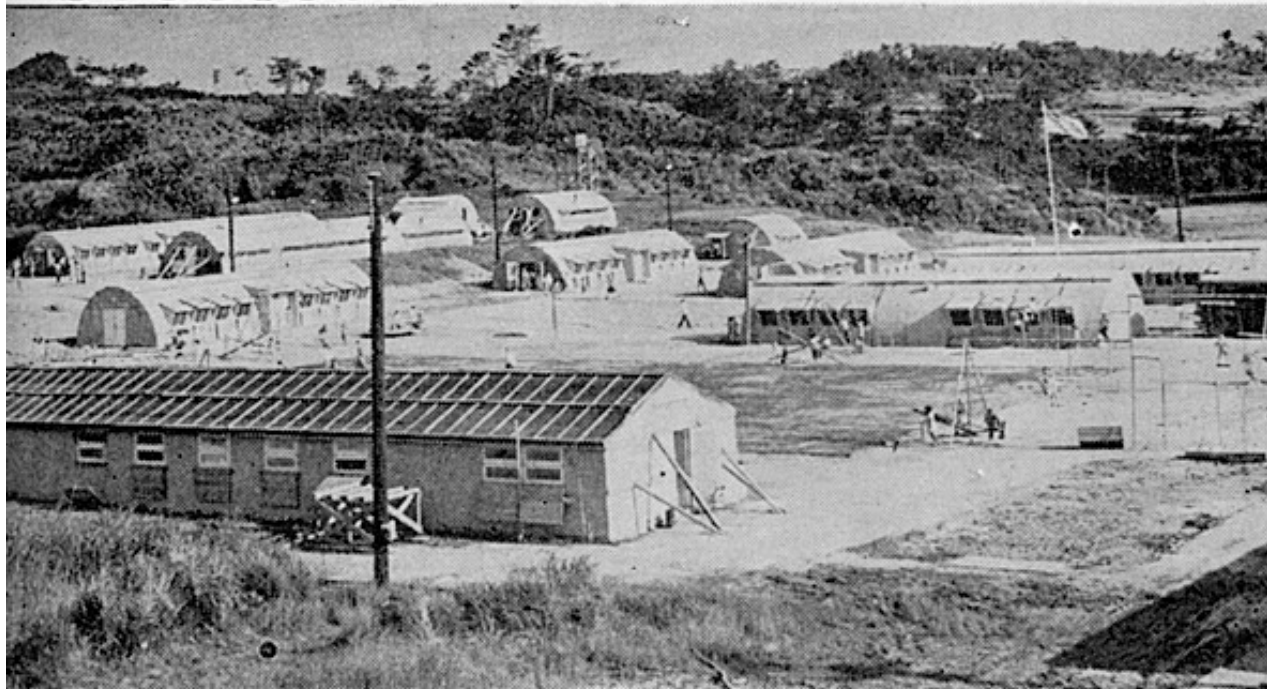
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The System began back in 1946 in the quonset type buildings such as those shown below. Today the system is equivalent to one that would serve a community of 35,000-40,000 people in the U.S.

Proof of the high standards of the system is indicated by the fact that most students upon transfer back to the states find themselves considerably ahead of fellow students. In last year's graduating class at Kubasaki High School, 7 out of 97 obtained admission to the Air Force, Military, and Naval Academies - a phenomenal record.

On the following pages are a few of the people and places that make up one of the finest school systems anywhere in the world today.

**Awase Primary School, where classes were held 13 years ago.**



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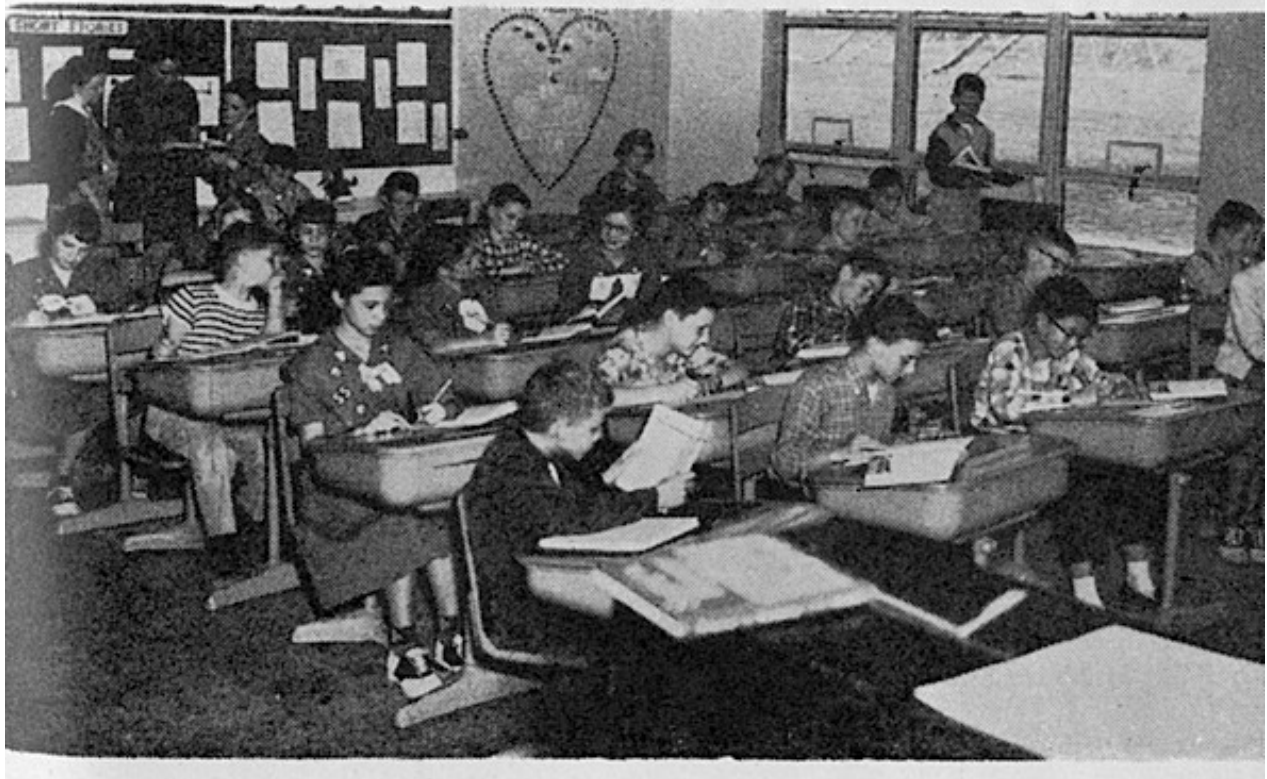
# Schools Are Well Equipped

Back in 1946 when the school system began, things were fairly primitive. The first school was established near Nakagusuku. It burned down and the school moved to a quonset hut in Awase, which later was pretty well shattered by a typhoon. Two of the teachers from the 1946 pioneer days are still on Okinawa—Mrs. Gertrude Bruner and Mrs. Margaret Skuse.

Today's schools, particularly Kadena and Sukiran, are modern, spacious buildings that are well equipped and furnished. The teacher-pupil ratio now stands at 1 to 26.

Any American student is eligible to attend school here, but those children whose parents are not in or employed by the military pay \$328 per year tuition.

**Left, Sukiran Elementary School**  
**Below, a classroom at the Sukiran Elementary School**  
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## Distinguished Educators Head System



**Mr. Harry C. Frey**

Director of the School System is Mr. Harry C. Frey, who arrived on Okinawa 2 years ago after a distinguished record with the Japan Dependent School System that dated back to 1948.

Mr. Frey did his undergraduate work at the College of Wooster, Ohio, went on to the U. of Michigan for his M. A. Thus began a 34 year career in education.

"That first year of teaching was pretty interesting, Frey recalls with a smile." I taught 64 kids in grades 1 through 8. I'm certain I learned far more than the kids did."

Assisting Mr. Frey is Mr. Tennis W. Hoffman, likewise a veteran of the Japan dependent School System. Mr. Hoffman arrived in Japan in 1948, later became principal of Narimasu High School in Tokyo, the largest American dependent high school in the Far East.

In 1956 Mr. Hoffman transferred to Okinawa. Here he has such problems as trying to find enough classrooms and teachers for students and enough housing for teachers. For 9 1/2 months work the teachers receive about \$4435 base pay. For a young teacher, that's not bad. For one established in a school system, it's not good. Some teachers like the travel aspect. One such teacher this year, anxious to see the Far East, swapped his \$9500 a year job for one here at less than half that amount.

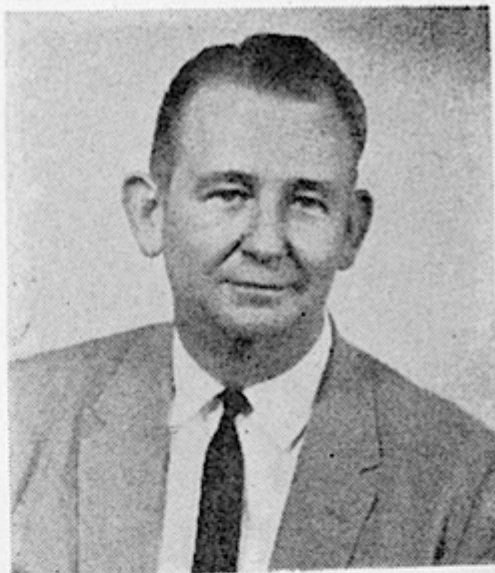


**Mr. Tennis W. Hoffman**



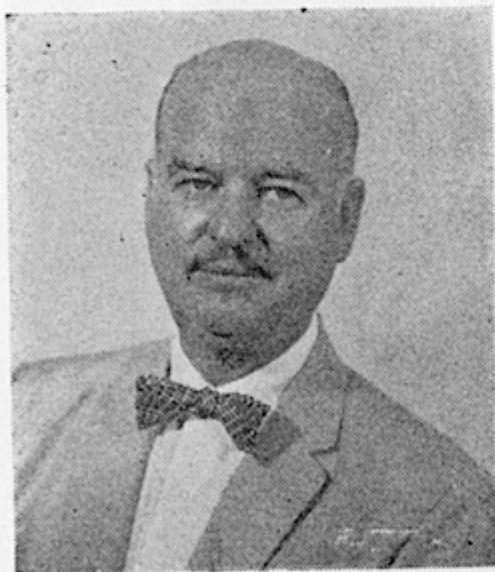


**Mrs. Virginia Lee**  
Principal, Kubasaki  
Junior High School



**Mr. Douglas McRae**  
Principal, Machinato  
Elementary School

### **Familiar Faces in the American Dependent School System**



**Mr. Homer Tennant**  
Principal, Sukiran  
Elementary School



**Mrs. Clara Bunyard**  
Principal, Kadena  
Elementary School

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**Mrs. Helen Goddard**  
Principal, Naha Air Base  
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**Mr. William Elliott**  
Principal, Kubasaki Senior  
High School

Not shown on these pages are: Mrs. Janet Schroder, Kadena Air Base Kindergarten; Miss Emily Gritsavage, Kadena Primary School; and Mrs. Lillian Dunlap, Naha Air Base Kindergarten. All Photos by BLACKIE the Photographer.



**Mr. Marion Dunlap**  
Principal, Naha Air Base  
Elementary School



**Mrs. Ollie Spreng**  
Supervisor, Camp Boone  
Kindergarten



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### BERNIE'S BREW

By Bernice Cartledge

In anticipation of cooler weather, wooly socks and long underwear are being pulled from the depths of hot closets and suitcases. Only a few still cling lovingly to their shades, sandels, and salty suits.

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A sudden burst of school spirit has rung forth from the halls of Kubasaki. Cheerleaders and other-lung bursting fans, clad in the flashy colors of their favorite team, have been cheering the players on to victory. Machinato began the season by tromping over Sukiran and have continued to show fine form. Sukiran and Kadena are both fighting hard.

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On campus we find: Ten spirited leaders have been chosen officers for their respective senior classes. The seniors elected in regular order of office are: Carl Tanigawa, Dave Pierson, Barbara Taylor, Virginia Yamada, and Gary Garten, with Richard Shimizu reigning as sergeant-at-arms. The junior class officers are: Dennis Vigil, Dean Kunihiro, Max Leach, and Charlie Glock.

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A ghostly night will be coming with the next golden moon. I hear some real spirited affairs are planned for this Halloween. All you midnight lovelies ought to be luring some night cat your way! And boys don't fret over not getting the car... Halloween can be very romantic if you walk and in Oki there are graveyards everywhere! .

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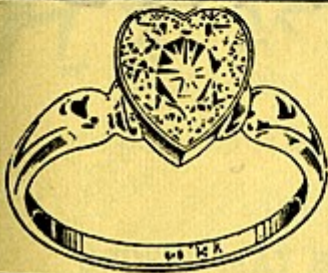
This 'n That... Chemistry class still exists. The fire bugs must have mastered their bunsen burners. Say Frenchie, "Est-ce que vous trouvez francais difficile?" A reminder to all solid students from WP Farns—Oranges make wonderful spheres !

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## **BERNIE'S BREW**

by Bernice Cartledge

November has crept in encircling our minds with thoughts for the coming holiday seasons. Everyone is talking turkey, fashions, football, and reindeer.

Spectacular events of the football season were the powderpuff games. Sukiran cheerleaders challenged Machinato rooters and the race was on! Kadena joined in on the fun too. With the girls playing football, the boys donned dainty outfits and cheered. Susie Wells, another cute gadget, was star quarterback for Sukiran. It seems as if the powder-puff games may become a yearly spectacular.

Winter fashions: Shoes are again fashion news. The trend for casual foot wear turns to the corduroy tennis shoe, with gold, black, and red being the favorite colors. Favored evening wear seems to be the cocktail dress silhouetting bell shape, tulip, and dome skirts, accented in white and black with gold accessories.

This 'n That.....R.W. shouldn't have such a hard time being faithful to S.A. since they segregated the school buses. Buzz Nicholls' fine business mind will have him a fortune real soon. "Dan Taylor, will you please explain what you were doing when you blocked that pass from a girl"...no one will believe me.

Next month a new columnist will be bringing the news your way. This well informed and very effective writer is none other than the Senior Class's lovely secretary, Barbara Taylor. So be sure to be with her next month. In the meantime instead of babbling your news to Bernie, tell Taylor!

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## **TAYLOR'S TALKING**

Barbara Taylor

Hi-here it's almost Christmas and there's big doings in the air.

Have all you boys asked your girl to the Formal? If you haven't you had better get on the ball, the Formal will be here before you know it. From what I have heard, the Honor Society is really putting out for it. The dance is taking place at the Castle Terrace, on the 21st. Everyone remember to come?

Talk about putting out, the Senior Class is really working on their play "The Family Nobody Wanted." With Sherwood Carter, June Goosby, Carol Hanson and Drew Ligda as leads and Mr. Styer as director, things should pop on opening night, the 17th. The play is about a missionary couple and their adopted family.

Just about the biggest blast ever to take place was the Senior Skip Day on the 18th of November. Taken over by an ACT, and with food provided by the Harborview, the Seniors really had a good time even at previous parties. Craig? Ed?

The Varsity cheerleaders, Sheii Henley, Pat Lang, June Goosby, Charlii Glock, Suzanne Wells, and Rhoda Watson added to the basketball games. Everyone says that we have the team to beat. What do you think?

The All Star team members were announced at the Foot-ball-Street Dance, held at Kubasaki. The special feature was an admission price of \$1.00 per carload. Looked liked Buzz took advantage of the offer. With the Saxie-Jacs playing, Jim Masan must have raked in quite a sum for his Student Council.

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# *Okinawa's Younger Set*

CURTAIN GOING UP ....

by Jean Geyer

Kubasaki High School's Junior Class will present "The Skin Of Our Teeth" for the public, March 14 and 15, in the Sukiran Elementary School auditorium under the direction of Mr. E. Beshearse, a Kubasaki H. S. teacher. (They play is being presented by special arrangement with Samuel French, 25 W. Street, New York, N. Y.)

"The Skin Of Our Teeth" is truly a great comedy by one of America's great playwrights and novelists, Thornton Wilder. The first performance took place at the Shubert Theater in New Haven, Connecticut, on October 15, 1942, and moved to the Plymouth Theater in New York one month later. The original cast included such greats of the theater as Tallulah Bankhead, Frederick March, Florence Eldridge, Montgomery Clift, Frances Heflin, and Florence Reed, and was under the direction of Elia Kazan. The London production of the play opened on May 16, 1945, under the direction of Sir Laurence Olivier, and starred Vivien Leigh, and later, on tour of Australia, Sir Laurence Olivier himself played the male lead.

In June 1955, a revival production by the American National Theater and

Academy was presented in Paris as part of the Festival "Salut a la France." Later presentations in a number of cities in the United States starred the same players — Mary Martin as Sabina, with George Abbott, Helen Hayes, and Florence Reed filling the other major parts.

In true Thornton Wilder style, the audience finds itself seeing "two times at once," since the family involved is living both in prehistoric times and



"REMEMBER IT -- the day the alphabet was discovered!" Mr. Antrobis (Stan Allred, left) emphasizes the point to his son Henry, (Lowell Moomaw).

modern Suburban New Jersey! Mr. Beshearse, in a "thumbnail sketch" of what may be expected says, "The Skin Of Our Teeth is a comedy about George

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Above, Connie Gregory (who plays the Mammoth in the play) gives a mammoth smile of appreciation to Thomas Lish's guitar playing during a break in rehearsals.



Margi Yates (left) who plays the part of the Dinosaur laughs as Sharon Somppi (Miss T. Muse in the play) tells her the casting was perfect!

"You're not a beautiful woman, Mrs. Antrobus." Sabina (played by Marsha Todd) says to Mrs. Antrobus (played by Suzanne Whitten), below.



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CAST: Front row (left to right) Connie Gregory, Suzanne Whitten, Lowell Moomaw, Marsh Todd, Pam Walls.  
Back row (left to right) Thomas Lish, Sharon Somppi, Margi Yates, Stan Allred, and James Collins.

Antrobus, his wife and two children, and their general utility maid, Lily Sabina, all of Excelsior, New Jersey. George Antrobus is John Doe...or George Spelvin...or *you*... the average American at grips with destiny, sometimes sour, sometimes sweet. The Antrobuses have survived fire, flood, pestilence, the seven-year locusts, the ice age, the black pox and the double feature, a dozen wars and as many depressions. They run many a gamut, are as durable as radiators, and look upon the future with disarming optimism. Alternately bewitched, befuddled and becalmed, they are the stuff of which heroes are made... heroes and buffoons. They are true offspring of Adam and Eve, victims of all the ills that flesh is heir to. They have

survived a thousand calamities by the skin of their teeth. Here is a tribute to their indestructibility."

Included in the Kubasaki production of the play are Marsha Todd, Suzanne Whitten, Margi Yates, Connie Gregory, James Collins, Faye Attaway, Lowell Moomaw, Stan Allred, Steve Nousekajhian, Danny Lantrip, Mike Fitzgerald, Carolyn Jenkins, Sharon Somppi, Pam Walls, and Raychelle Harada.

Don't miss this wonderful chance to see our young thespians in action and to enjoy one of American's great comedy productions. Tickets are on sale by members of the Junior Class and can be purchased also at the Sukiran Elementary School auditorium on the nights of presentation...March 14th and 15th.



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# *Okinawa's Younger Set*

Coming to Okinawa.....DOGPATCH, U.S.A.!!!

by Jean Geyer

Kubasaki High School halls have been ringing with strange sounds of late. Those sounds have a remarkable likeness to the accent of the Tennessee "Hill People," and the music you hear after school hours you might recognize as the music you heard in the movie *L'il Abner*. Yes indeed... Dogpatch, U.S.A. has arrived, bringing with it all the characters we all know so well....

L'il Abner himself, adorable Daisy Mae, lovable Mamma and Pappy Yokum, luscious Moonbeam McSwine, Hairless Joe, the Scraggs, and all the other Dogpatch citizens including Marryin' Sam, Earthquake McGoon, Dr. Rosamonde T. Tinsdale etc. etc. etc.

Under the very capable direction of Mr. Michael Herron and Miss Nancy Murdock, both teachers at Kubasaki, rehearsals have been underway for quite some time now with both directors demanding perfection from each of the performers.

Like the famous comic strip, the show will be full of suspense (gasp), romance (sigh), more songs than

you can hum on the way home (natchally), and of course—cartloads of unadulterated CORN!

A brief rundown on the plot is as follows. It seems everyone is waiting for Sadie Hawkins Day, at which time Daisy Mae (ahhhh), played by Pat Meloon, "natchally" expects to catch L'il Abner for her own. But of course, L'il Abner (played by David Carr) would "druther go fishin'". Marryin' Sam (played by Bruce Geyer) describes his "fo' dollah weddin'" to Earthquake McGoon (ugh). (WHO will play Earthquake???? This seems to be a very well guarded secret but I'm told this will be one of the biggest surprises to look for in the production!). It seems Earthquake already knows there "hain't gonna be no Sadie Hawkins Day Race" (gasp!). At this point, Senator Jack S. Phogbound (Mike Darcy) introduces Dr. Rosamonde T. Tinsdale (Becky (wow!) Beers) to the citizens of Dogpatch. Dr.

Tinsdale announces that after an extensive governmental survey they have



L'il Abner (David Carr, 6 ft. 3", 205 lbs, 14D shoe! Wow!) convinces Daisy Mae he is the man for her!



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## YOUNGER SET...

found the most "UN-NECESSARY" place on the face of the earth where the atom bombs will be tested in the future.... yep...that place is Dogpatch, U.S.A.! In response to this great "honor" the citizens show their appreciation with a whoopin', hollerin' and rollickin' dance number. Since the bomb will be dropped *before* Sadie Hawkins day, Earthquake claims the ever-popular Daisy Mae in marriage (gasp!).

The Dogpatchers soon find out what the "outside world" is like, and begin scurrying around to find "somethin' necessary" in order to avoid the bombing. Here begins the great hunt...what is the most "necessary" thing in Dogpatch? Could it be Stupefyin' Jones (to be chosen by the Senior boys of Kubasaki during a contest)? "NO", says Dr. Tinsdale. Could it be Kickapoo Joy Juice? "Maybe", says Dr. T. When that "somethin' necessary" has been found (what is it?? We'll never tell!), the plot thickens.

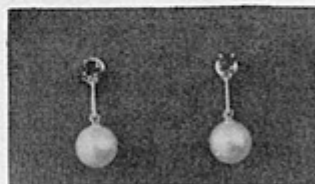
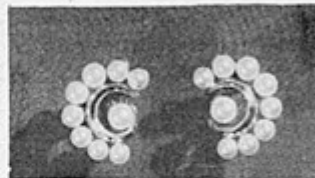
About now we meet another villain—that money-hungry, no good, finaglin' Bullmoose (Steve Nousekajima) and his private (?) secretary, Appasionata Von Climax (Terry Robertson). With the aid of Evil Eye Fleagle (Lido Talintion), Bullmoose would have Appasionata catch Abner in the Sadie Hawkins Day Race, kill him, and steal that "somethin' necessary" item. Mammy Yokum (Randy Ring) finds out about their "mizzable



Dr. Rosamonde T. Tinsdale (Becky Beers) seems unaware that State Department spy (Tom Beers) is microfilming her important papers!

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plan" and she and Pappy Yokum (John (Evans) talk Daisy Mae into marrying Earthquake (oh, no!) if he will save Abner!

Can Daisy convince Abner that Bullmoose is evil??

Will Mammy be able to get Bullmoose to confess???

Will Earthquake use his brute strength to save Abner???

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"Where's ah Husbins?", the wives ask the Colonel (Jim O'Connell).





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### YOUNGER SET...

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Mr. Herron and Miss Murdock, along with the entire cast, invite you to take off your shoes, get countrified...and y'all

(Top), "Phogbound, you idiot!" Bullmoose (Steve Nouskajian) pounds his desk as his private(?) secretary Appassionata Von Climax (Terry Robertson) stands by for orders.

(Left), Daisy Mae (Pat mmmmmMeloan) and Marryin' Sam (Bruce Geyer) do one of the hit songs of the show, "I'm Past My Prime".

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## YOUNGER SET...

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(P.S.-I's heard tell they'se gonna have *real* livestock too!!!)



(Above) Marryin' Sam impresses chorus members with the importance of Dogpatch's hero J. T. Cornpone.

(Above Right), Pappy Yokum (John Evans) cringes as Mammy Yokum (Randy Ring) gives out with those earthshaking words. "Ah has spoken!"

(Right), Dogpatch wives sing "Put 'Em Back the Way They Wuz".



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## Okinawa's Younger Set

Graduation - Spring Festival - Children's Concert—SCHOOL'S OUT!!

by Jean Geyer

The halls of Kubasaki High School rang with laughter and enthusiastic voices were raised in song... "Hail to Kubasaki High School, and you're mem'ries grand". The day was Tuesday, May 14th... the occasion was the second day of "Senior Recognition Week." Seniors were easily recognized by the blue and silver ribbons they wore but even more obvious, was the expression on each face... a look of accomplishment, pride, and of newly-found maturity and independence. As I sat in the office of Mrs. Lee, Supervising Principal of Kubasaki High School, I became more impressed with these young Seniors. Across from me was a large poster which read: "Test of Integrity: Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build goodwill and better friendship? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?" Goodwill and friendliness were evident as the students "dropped in" to visit Mrs. Lee. They were greeted with her warm, friendly smile and a choice of soft drinks! One by one they began to talk of their plans after graduation. Some would attend the University of Maryland on Okinawa during the summer before returning to the United States and a college of their choice. Although present statistics show approximately 45% of the graduates are known to have been accepted by a college, it seemed, as I interviewed more

and more of the students, that better than half of them were definitely college bound. Several of the students planned on taking the Civil Service Examinations given at the school the last week of school. This promised almost immediate employment to those who passed. There were those who planned on enlistment in some branch of the U.S. Armed Forces. All of these young people seemed to know exactly where they were going, the goals they were reaching for and the methods they were pursuing to achieve these goals. How wonderful, in these days of uncertainty, to find the offspring of a troubled generation so eager and determined in their outlook for the future.

The career preferences of the students varied and covered many fields of interest. Largest of these were Engineering for the boys and nursing or teaching for the girls. A surprisingly large number of boys and girls plan on majoring in Psychology, which leaves little doubt that these young folks are aware of the kind of a world they face! Almost each of the 50 states of the United States will receive one of our graduates, with the University of Maryland and the University of California receiving a larger percentage.

A conversation with Ross Bruner, Senior Class President, was one of the

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more interesting interviews. Ross had received all 12 years of his schooling on Okinawa in the Army Dependent Schools. Ross feels no regrets at never having attended school in the United States, and said he considered his experiences on Okinawa have been rewarding and unforgettable. He has seen many of his friends come and go in the past 12 years. Ross's plans for a career in Business Administration include attending the University of Maryland on Okinawa for 1 year, followed by enrollment at the University of California.

Kubasaki boasts of its two "straight A" students, Joan Kashiwahara and Caroline Nash, who, through the four years of high school, maintained A averages in all subjects. Congratulations to these two students...to their parents...to their teachers...and to Kubasaki High School.

I spoke briefly with a young student named Kay Stillman, another amazingly

mature graduate of this year's class. Kay has completed the 4 year High School course in 3 years through her determination and foresight. An early decision on a career in Medicine made Kay aware of the long years ahead before her goal would be reached. With this realization, she carried 5 major subjects through her Freshman and Sophomore years. By taking correspondence courses, she completed all the units necessary to enter school this year as a Senior, thus skipping a Junior year. Kay plans to attend the University of Minnesota, and it would not surprise us at all if she were to reach her goal long before the normal span of Medical School training.

My visit to Kubasaki next took me to the offices of the student counselors. Catalogues from almost every college in the United States are carefully indexed and made available to the students. Mrs. Colby discussed her counseling activities with me, expressing a sincere wish that students would begin, in

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their Freshman year, to prepare for their future. Eighth graders are prepared for their freshman year of high school through such tests as the Stanford Achievement Test which assists the counselor in determining aptitudes and subjects which best fit these students. A Prognostic Algebra Test is also given to determine the student's eligibility for algebra. Students in their Freshman year are urged and encouraged to take the National Educational Development Test which covers mathematics, English, sciences, social studies and study skills. Sophmores and Juniors are equally encouraged to take preliminary college entrance tests and Scholastic Aptitude Tests. A National Merit Scholastic Qualifying Test can be taken in the Jr. year from which scholarships are awarded. The results of this test are sent to various colleges for review with the awarding of scholarships in mind. This test is given twice a year. Although all of these tests are available to the students many students postpone taking any of them until they are in their Senior Year. This has, in many cases, resulted in disappointments and confusion since most colleges choose their students—the students do not choose the college. Mrs. Colby's advice to Freshman is for them to investigate the possible tests they may take during their Freshman and Sophmore years and eliminate much of the confusion which will otherwise arise in the Senior year. Seniors are advised to watch for the American College Test which is given twice a year at school,

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An informal visit to Kabasaki High School such as mine proved to be a most rewarding experience. I not only met and chatted with the Seniors, but I found a warm and friendly welcome awaits any visitor. Congratulations to all the members of the Class of '63, to their teachers, counselors, and parents.

### SPRING FESTIVAL Kubasaki Band and Chorus



Kubasaki Band

On May 24th at 7:30 in the evening, the Sukiran Elementary School Auditorium became a Concert Hall, as members of the Kubasaki Band and Chorus held their Spring Concert. Under the direction of Mr. Rastorfer, Choral and Band Director, and two student conductors, Miss Jo Staeheli and Mr. Donald Harrell, a varied musical program was presented which included songs of Mexico, favorites from the Gay '90's era, and music from Rogers and Hammerstein productions. The versatility of the 52 piece band was shown in their excellent rendition of popular, classical and



Chorus

semi-classical pieces, as well as the ever popular highlights from the Broadway show, Music Man. A piano solo by Sue Thompson, along with the accordion duet (Dark Eyes) by Bruce Geyer and Jo Staeheli enhanced the evening's entertainment. Other soloists included Luis Acevado accordion solo, and duets by Mickey Dameron, Mike McClure and Sandra Cagle. A note of comedy was added by the humorous presentation of "Henry" (Bruce Geyer) and "Liza" (Jo Staeheli) and the song "There's a Hole in the Bucket". Special attraction was when Mike Gilbertson (11 yrs old) on his clarinet and David Chance (9 yrs old) on his trumpet gave a remarkable duet rendition of "The Skater's Waltz" and "The Marine Hymn".

Following the concert, the band and choral members presented Mr. Rastorfer with a pair of pearl cufflinks in appreciation for his time and interest on their behalf.



Bruce Geyer and Jo Staeheli

### YOUNG PIANISTS PERFORM AT SUKIRAN...

Professor Bien S. P. Panganiban, director of the Ryukyu Classical Academy presented his first Students' Recital on Sunday, May 26th at 4:00 p.m. at the Entertainment Workshop Building in Sukiran. Student pianists ranged in age from 5 years old through teen-agers. The concert was indeed successful and reflected the patience and ability Professor Panganiban imparts to his students. It will be a few years before some of these students can reach the foot controls of the piano, but it is obvious, by that time, their fingers will be well





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Professor Panganiban received his Bachelor of Music in Piano and Theory at the University of Santo Tomas, Manila, Phil. and his Masters at the Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore, Maryland. He is a Professor of Music (on leave) of the University of Santo Tomas Conservatory of Music and Graduate School.

The Ryukyu Classical Academy is a branch of REX concessions. Courses offered include Piano for Children and adults, Piano group classes, Music Appreciation, and Musical Sciences. Summer classes will begin July 22 and August 31 with enrollment starting June 1-14 and July 16-21.



Sharon Friedman, youngest student of the Ryukyu Classical Academy (5 years old) is a pretty sight as she carefully practices for her solo at the Recital.



Professor Panganiban assists teenager Eileen Holcomb.



Cynthia Nobiling and Jeffrey Geyer, 6 year old students, practice a duet.





Newly installed officers of Coral Assembly "1. (Left to Right Seated) Liz Oglesby, Gail O'Brien, Susan Adams, Marcia Best, Ronald Stricker, (Rainbow Beau), Martha Jean Dunaway, Worthy Advisor, Mrs. Florence Miller (Mother Advisor) Mr. Jamie Speers, (Rainbow Dad) and Mrs. Helen Andrew (Past Mother Advisor). (Left to Right Standing:) Kathie Nusselwhite, Olive Ethridge, Suzanne Dunaway, Barbara Kelley, June McConnell, Carloyn Surber, Pat Jones, Harriet Krieger, Janet Dulin, Marie McConnell, Harriet Dulin, Marilyn Barber, Judy Max, Sandra Pope and Cheri Goldstien.

## LIFE ON OKINAWA JUN 1963 RAINBOW GIRLS





**COURT OF AWARDS**—Court Of Awards was recently held for five members of Girl Scout Troop 60 at Machinato Scout Hut. Shown here the girls proudly display the badges and awards. (Left to Right) Alexis Sanson, Linda Hill, Mary Bechtel, Olive Ethridge, and Mary William. (Photo by Wheldon)

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Junior Staff Aid and Ward Clerk Diana Stanberry is a well-appreciated "Girl Friday" to the regular nursing staff at Camp Kue's U.S. Army Hospital. These young volunteers relieve the nurses of many routine desk duties, allowing them more time for individual patient care.

*Photos by the Author*



## OKINAWA'S YOUNGER SET

By Jean Geyer

Teenage girls who are looking for ways to spend their spare time during next year's summer vacation might investigate the volunteer work which is open to them at the U. S. Army Hospital at Camp Kue. As Junior Staff Aide volunteers, under the direction of Miss Mary C. Bowers, Red Cross Hospital Field Director, or as Whitecaps (Nurses Assistants), under the supervision of Lt. Col. Helen E. Brown, Chief of Nursing Service, they will learn many new skills in recreation and nursing techniques and will find their presence appreciated by patients, nursing staff, and Red Cross workers.

The Whitecaps program was started

by the U. S. Army Hospital in 1961 to provide volunteer work for teenage girls during the summer. The first class of 46 chose the name "Whitecaps" and selected the attractive green and white checked pinafore and white blouse as their uniform.

In February, 1962, a second class was started for the Senior Girl Scouts interested in Nurse Aide work as a service project. Caps were presented to 18 volunteers on May 16, 1962. At the same time, 28 Certificates of Achievement were awarded to those who had previously received their caps and had completed the required 60 hours of volunteer work.

Major Virginia Horton, ANC, Educational Coordinator at the hospital, began instruction for the third class in June of this year and 30 volunteers will complete their program at the end of July. The program consists of 14 hours of classroom instruction and 16 hours of supervised practice on the wards. The students are taught simple nursing procedures including making beds, giving bed baths, taking temperatures, transporting patients from one section of the hospital to another, and helping with the general comfort of the patient.

Whitecap trainee Pat Polk watches as Major Virginia Horton, ANC, shows her how a bed is properly made to achieve that neat, crisp hospital look.





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Recruiting was done this year at the Kubasaki High School from the Future Nurses of America Club which is sponsored by Mrs. Billie Speck, RN, the school health nurse for Kubasaki High School.

Although the operational expenses for the program are small, it was felt that a sponsor might be enlisted to relieve the financial needs of the program. The VFW Auxiliary was contacted and it was their decision to undertake sponsorship of the Whitecaps.

Another volunteer program offered to teenage girls at the U. S. Army Hospital is that of the Red Cross Junior Staff Aide. Following a 12 hour course in basic Red Cross and hospital orientation, the students may choose to become Ward Clerks or Recreation Assistants. Each of these require further specialized training.

Under the supervision of the Red Cross Hospital Field Director, the Ward Clerk is trained to work at the Ward Nurse's desk answering telephones, taking messages, paging doctors, charting temperature, pulse and respiration records, greeting visitors and ordering and storing supplies. These and many other duties are taught during the 9 hours of class instruction and 10 hours of supervised work on the wards. Upon completion of this course, the student is assigned duty assisting the nurses at their desks thus relieving the nurse to care for her patients.

The Junior Staff Aides wishing to become Recreation Assistants are trained by Miss Frankie Osborne, Red Cross Recreation Supervisor and Miss Nancy Bender, Recreation Worker. During their training they are taught crafts of all kinds including leather work and the making of novelty animals from plastic materials. They act as volunteer hostesses in the Red Cross Lounge playing cards and other table games with the patients, serving refreshments, maintaining a bulletin board of activities and decorating the Red Cross Lounge for special events. The uniform of the Junior Staff Aide is an attractive blue and white striped pinafore and white blouse. After their training and 10 hours on the job the Junior Staff Aides are awarded caps, pins and certificates by the American Red Cross.



Although the Whitecaps and the Red Cross Junior Staff Aides are separate programs, some of the JSA members have found that their volunteer work aroused an interest in a nursing career, and elected to transfer into the Whitecaps. Many of the volunteers continue working at the hospital through the school year, spending their Saturdays and holidays serving the hospital's needs.

The Red Cross and the U. S. Army Hospital are once more to be congratulated for combining the needs of the community with the needs of youth activities, and emerging with these two fine programs. Those who are planning on a nursing career will find this training an excellent beginning toward their goal, and a rewarding experience in community service.



Here is one G.I. who doesn't seem to mind the attention being given him by Miss Frankie Osborne, Red Cross Recreation Supervisor, JSA Sandra Lynn and Major Virginia Horton ANC.

Leslie McConnell enjoys her JSA duties which include instructing patients in handicrafts such as working with plastic material.



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Top left, Under this pile-up is Dave Wicklund, Naha Eagles Halfback, who scored game's only touchdown as Eagles defeated Kadena 7 - 2 on October 19.  
Top center, Kadena Cheerleaders urge on their team in its 23 - 0 win over Sukiran Knights on September 22. L-R: Sharon Wolfe, Cathie Simler, Sheila Williams and Pat Hayes.

## GO! GO! GO KUBASAKI!

In one of the most unique high school football programs in the world, some 125 boys from Kubasaki High School on Okinawa are playing regular stateside football this fall.

The players come from the Senior High School at Kubasaki, and are in a league consisting of three teams. All the players meet the same requirements that most schools in the states have. The teams are sponsored by Kadena Air Base, Naha Air Base, and the U. S. Army at Sukiran. The program in part is under the administration of the American Dependent Schools, but most of the hard work is done by the sponsors and booster clubs in each area.

This type of program has been in opera-

tion for six years and has grown in popularity each year. This year some 40,000 football fans have watched the nine-game schedule. Bill Bechtel, coach at Kubasaki High School, was the man who actually pushed the program and convinced others that it should be given a try. Attendance at the first games numbered around 500; this fall the opening game between Naha and Kadena had 8,000 in the stands.

Each area provides the coaches for the teams, and this year's teams were coached by Col. George Simler at Kadena, Bill Morris of the *Morning Star* at Sukiran, and Lt. Ed Banks of the U. S. Marines who took over the job at Naha Air Base. All three men have been active in football for

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Top right, Mike McCall, No. 33, Kadena full-back, juggles a pass but catches it in Kadena's game with Naha Eagles October 19, won by Naha 7 - 2.

Right, Dick Emmerich, No. 43, Naha's big ground-gainer in 39 - 0 loss to Kadena on November 9, is brought down after gain.



many years as either players or coaches.

The teams are picked from each area designated by a housing ratio so that they usually balance out in number of boys in each area. The league is called "The Little Three", with the Naha team dominating the league for the last four years. In the first two years of the League, Sukiran was the power. Kadena has been battling for the last three seasons to win, and has had some very fine teams.

The teams have their own cheerleaders, and each area has its own pep club which numbers around 200 students. Naha and Kadena have drill teams of about 50 girls. Added to this are such jobs as those involving managers, music groups, and concession workers at the games, and

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it is evident that a sizeable percentage of the student body at Kubasaki is engaged in this worthwhile activity.

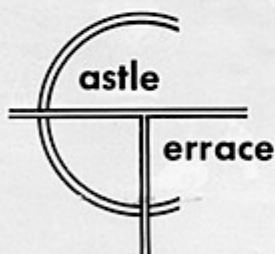
What makes the program so unique otherwise? It is that many of the boys attend the same classes and sit next to each other, but, come the weekend, they are really playing a hard brand of football, showing good sportsmanship and competitive action.

Each of the areas have their own "Homecomings" and Queens, so that the stateside influence is really seen here on Okinawa.



Top left, Naha Eagles fans cheer team in 9 - 6 win over Kadena September 13 in season opener.

Above, Jim Whitfield, No. 83, Kadena end, leaps high to intercept a Naha pass as Huges, No. 84, Naha end, closes in. Kadena won 39 - 0 in season's biggest upset November 9.



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## MINIATURE MUTINEER

"Captain Bligh...this is mutiny!" growled the mate. And he cast a breadfruit plant overboard. (Well, not really..just make-believe.) It all started when Christopher Chesnutt celebrated his birthday (below) and greeted his guests in the character of Fletcher Christian, leader of the world's most famous mutiny aboard His Majesty's Armed Vessel *Bounty*. Chris is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Chesnutt of USARYIS Headquarters. His attire, painstakingly reproduced by his mother, is exact to the bow on the plait of his periwig. The costume party was a highlight for the Sukoshi Set and marked Chris' eleventh year in the 20th Century—minus a few hours relived in 1789 as fearless Fletcher. Sharing equal billing with Chris is the Gene Steffes' sailing vessel *Surprise*, which proudly posed as the *Bounty*.

(Clockwise from left) *Beachcomber* John Trottier, *Maharajah* Mark Corey, *Monster* Mike Cassidy, *Flapper* Marsha Waters, *Beatnik* Cathy Alspaugh, *Ballerina* Susan Woodard, *Female Impersonator* Charles Bode, *Chinese Opera Star* Robin Windisch, *Jekyll & Hyde* Joey Windisch, *Gladiator* John Windisch, *Oz Tinman* Philip Mallory, *Sultan* Bruce Corey, *Baby Leopard* Hajime Hentona, *Mutineer* Chris Chesnutt, *Great Profile* Mike Burress, and *Pirate* Lowell Burress, with photos by Shutterbug C. M. Rowan.



# KUBASAKI HARVEST BALL



*(Blackie the Photographer)*

**(L to R) Dave Wickland and princess, Janet Johnson; Eddie Clark and the queen, Gay Pagano; George Simler and princess, Zantha LaFon.**

The Harvest Ball dance was held at the Sukiran Elementary School Gym, Saturday, January 18th. George Joyal, student council president, crowned Gay Pagano, Harvest Ball Queen.

Miss Pagano's two princesses were, Janet Johnson and Zantha LaFon. Their escorts were Eddie Clark, Dave Wickland and George Simler.

The Band for the evening was the Saints, and the Angels, a vocal group from Kadena, sang. The court consisted of five girls from each class, and the theme was Autumn Leaves.



# Okinawa's Younger Set

By Jean Geyer



Michael Kellenbarger  
as MR. ROBERTS

Once again Kuba-saki High School is bustling with activity after mid-term examinations. One reason for the excitement is the coming production of the senior class play, this year to be the Joshua Logan-Thomas Heggen hit "Mr. Roberts". Under the direction of Mr. Elmer Beshearse and

by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, New York City, rehearsals have been underway for some time and the cast, needless to say, is thoroughly enjoying every minute of it! Everyone who has seen either the play or the movie adaptation will agree that this should prove to be a delightful evening's entertainment. Here is one of the funniest stories to come out of the tragic war years. The show opened on Broadway in 1948 with Henry Fonda in the title role. His



Gerald Hughes  
as DOC

magnificently quiet and humorous performance made "Mr. Roberts" one of the most successful plays of our times, and following a three-year run on Broadway, three road companies simultaneously played to packed houses throughout the United States.

The story takes

place aboard a Pacific cargo ship. In the opening scene, a crewman discovers, while cleaning a spy-glass, that he has an excellent view ashore...focusing on the hospital there, and more specifically on the nurses' shower room! The ensuing conversation will leave your sides

aching, as the discussion finally ends with a bet among the crewmen as to which nurse has a mole on a delicate part of her anatomy! Preparations are made to invite one of the nurses aboard the ship in order to resolve the bet. With the assistance of the ship's doctor, a "home-brew" whiskey is made out of alcohol, Coca-Cola, iodine, and hair tonic! During her visit, the nurse unfortunately overhears a discussion of the unusual bet. Curtains are hung in the nurses' shower room, and

the crew mourns its little paradise lost!

The main plot of the play revolves around the ship's Captain, played by Joey Traylor, an eccentric character whose pride is a potted palm he won for efficient cargo-loading, and Mr. Roberts, played by Mike Kellenbarger,



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the heroic Lt.j.g. who tries to defend his crew against the Captain's tyranny while constantly dreaming of getting himself transferred to a combat ship. Ensign Pulver, played by Lowell Moomaw, is the instigator of most of the unusual "activity" aboard the ship. An example of this is the hilarious scene on V.F. day when he experiments with some home-made firecrackers in the laundry room, and almost drowns himself in an explosion of soap suds!

Although "Mr. Roberts" is a rough-talking, fast-moving drama, it is not without warmth and sentiment as the ship's crew demonstrate the loyalty and understanding that develops aboard a naval ship between the crew and the ship's officers.

Besides those mentioned, the cast will include Margi Yates, Gerald Hughes, Val Toyama, Ward Harris, Bob Nolan, Richard Pastuszek and Ivan Rupert.

Don't miss this fine production to be presented February 13, 14 and 15 in the Sukiran and Kadena Auditorium. Tickets will be sold for \$1.00 on a reserved basis. Watch for further information and posters which will soon appear around the island.

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## FACES IN FOCUS—



HIGH COMMISSIONER AND MRS. CARAWAY visited Mercy Intermediate School in Oyama on March 13 at the invitation of Jack Stephen Goddard (next to Mrs. Caraway), fifth grader who had asked General Caraway for historical information about the Ryukyu Islands. The High Commissioner sent the information to Jack. He and Mrs. Caraway later visited the fifth grade students.



GIRL SCOUT HANDBOOKS — Members of the American Girl Scouts on Okinawa presented 12 sets of American Girl Scout Handbooks to Mr. Genei Kikuyama director, Naha Ryukyuan-American Cultural Center, for the R-A Cultural Centers and R-A Friendship Center on March 8. (USCAR Photo)

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**TREE PLANTING** – Government of the Ryukyu Islands' Chief Executive Seisaku Ota (L) presents a palm seedling, one of some 200 palms, acacias and Australian pines provided by the GRI, to honor students of the American Mercy Intermediate School. Students planting the palm seedling are, L-R: Chris Anderson, Brenda Newman, and Richard Nishida, all in the eighth grade. Arrangements for the mass planting were coordinated with Mrs. Jeanette K. Fink, school principal, and the GRI by the Office of the High Commissioner. The tree planting at the Mercy school, enrollment 1,700, is the largest mass planting to take place in an American school so far. (USAF photo)

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**HAMLET'S DUEL TO THE DEATH WITH LAERTES** (L-Jerry Osborne (court lady), Christopher Chesnutt as Bernardo, John Bowman as Hamlet, the royal hand of James id as King Claudius (forgive us, Your Highness), Polly Walden (court lady), Kristie Ecker as Queen Gertrude, Sam Woodard and Anna Mangini (court ladies), and Clinton Maeshiro as Horatio behind Steven Usrey as Laertes.

## To Be or Not...

Batherine M. Rowan

...that was the question on a balmy Friday evening when the play was the thing at Ye Olde Mercy Theatre of Stratford-on-Okinawa.

Miss Jaquelyn Gwen Eaton accomplished no small feat when she presented her Sixth Grade Challengers in William Shakespeare's *Hamlet*, and there was nary a student who didn't rise and shine on this very special occasion. The 5-act tragedy, generally put 'on the boards' at high school level, proved a delightful and entertaining surprise to a full audience who found not one occasion to so much as snicker in the wrong place.

The students displayed remarkable aptitude in memorizing the 3-hour abridgment in the vernacular of 17th Century England, particularly the soliloquies. The presentation was all the more astonishing for being effectively narrated, lighted, crewed, costumed and directed by students themselves.

The leads were exceptionally well cast. John Bowman was outstanding as Hamlet and personified the old elocution adage "Speak clearly if you speak at all; carve every word before you let it fall." James Reid as Claudius gave the first-nighters a pensive, attention-holding King of Denmark, and Kristie Ecker was believable as Gertrude his queen. Earl Bateman delivered Polonius' pearls of wisdom with sincerity, and Connie Peterson as Ophelia was tastefully distraught in her incoherent scenes where so frequently an amateur is prone to overact.

Clinton Maeshiro's Horatio and Steven Usrey's Laertes were equally effective; and Harry Fujimoto, the smallest student of the 6-1 class, was the most appealing Rosencrantz an audience could ever hope to see. But they were all good!

A particular effect which blended with the imaginative costumes was the generous growth of hair nurtured by the boys through seven weeks of rehearsal. Haircuts were taboo until after the performance. As much of a parental sacrifice as this may have been, it afforded a variety of hair styles which lent special realism to the characters of this period classic.

Groaned one mother (good-naturedly) after the show: "It's the barber shop for us! I can't stand another day of this." The boys, however, were more than willing to sacrifice all for art—especially when it meant looking frightfully like the popular Beatles.

Between-act performances, which included the Woodard student dancers and talented Anna Mangini at the keyboard, rounded out an unbelievably fidgetless evening.

A reception in the school cafeteria after the show brought audience and cast face to face—to rather face to hair—and the plaudits flew. Eventually, of course, John (Hamlet) Bowman was asked the inevitable: "How's Liz?"

Carving every word before he let it fall, he quipped: "I thought you'd never ask!"

# Know Your Educators

**LARRY MIYASATO**  
**CAMP KUBASAKI**  
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Did you know that one of the teachers at Camp Kubasaki Junior High School served in the Army at Berlin, Germany?

He is Mr. Larry K. Miyasato who teaches 8th Grade Mathematics at Quonset 43-B. Mr. Miyasato comes from Hawaii, and in discussing his army service he said, "Of course, I was in Berlin before they built the wall and I did enjoy myself in Germany. I was in the army from 1954 to 1957, and almost two years of that was spent in Europe. I suppose the only thing that really bothered me was the fact that the winter was so cold. Since I have always lived in Hawaii, it took some getting-used-to when that snow began to pile up."

Before coming to Okinawa last year for the 1964-65 school term, Mr. Miyasato was a teacher at Radford High in Hawaii. He is a graduate of the University of Hawaii and has done graduate work there. Recently, he received his Fifth Year Professional Certificate from the University of Hawaii.

When asked what he considers are the greatest benefits of overseas teaching, Mr. Miyasato said, "It gives me a chance to visit other places; however, let us exclude Berlin from those places," he whimsically added. He believes that the young people of today are very mature in their thinking and he terms this a good quality.

Mr. Miyasato lists golf as one of his recreations. He refuses to divulge his average score for publication. Mr. Miyasato was on the Bowling League for Teachers last year, and as a hobby he is interested in and works with ceramics.

Mr. Miyasato and his wife, Aileen, reside in the Mercy area. They have two children: a two year son, Ross, and an infant daughter, Kris Mari.

(Story by Elmer Beshearse)

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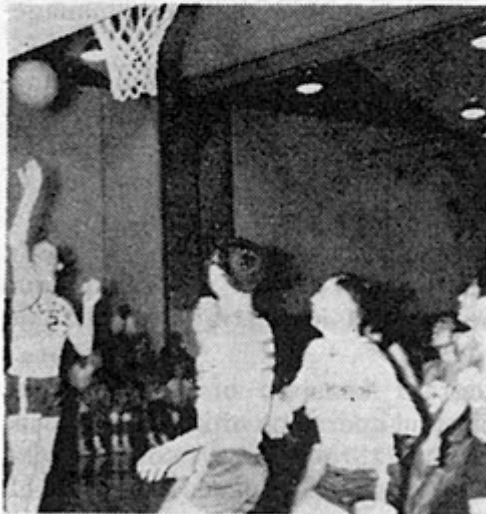


# Kubasaki Highlights

BY GORDON BROOKS



Kadena Falcons Basketball Team—Standing L—R, Richard Baldwin (Manager), Gerry Shaw, Grant Dyer, Mark Underwood, Jim Shorey, Larry Saunders, Pat McGuire, Jim Goodman, Rodney Nowles, and Coach Larsen. Kneeling L—R, Mike Davis, Don Morganti, Fred Peche, Scott Van Zandt, and Bob Arief.



The Kadena Falcons making a jump shot during the game with Okinawa High School from Naha. The score was 77—51. Larry Saunders scored 22 points and Mark Underwood 25 points.



The 1965-66 Kadena Falcon Cheerleaders for the basketball season. 1st column (T-B) Dale Battey, Vivian Brohn, and Jeanne Schwob. 2nd col. Angie Pottebaum Top and Diana Cardenas, bottom. At right, Widy Roesijadi.

# Youth League Basketball

Close games and tight defensive play highlighted Youth League action in Sukiran as the Ft. Buckner Youth Activities basketball program completed its second week of league play.

Twelve of the thirteen teams saw action on Saturday with for of the six games decided by a single point, while the remaining two were decided by a margin of only three and four points.

In the Junior Division, the Royals remained the only unbeaten quintet when they stopped the winless Titans 42-38.

The score was knotted 22-22 at the half, and the Royals jumped to a slim two-point lead at the end of three quarters. Mike Jordan had 22 points to pace the winners but Leo Williams put the Royals ahead to stay late in the game when he made two free throws to break a 38-38 tie.

Titan center Stan Hunt led the losers with 13 points, while Doug Beauchamp chipped in with 11 and Ira Spratley added 10.

Coach Casey Kozlik's Pyutes won their first game of the season after dropping two close setbacks as they edged the Knicks 32-29.

Guard Ted Estridge picked up the scoring punch for the defense-minded Pyutes as he dropped in 18 points.

The Pyutes maintained a four point edge from the start of the third period and kept the Knicks off balance with their ball-hawking and tight defensive play.

Gene Pike and Mark Mandel each had nine points for the Knicks in the low scoring contest.

The Raiders came to life in the second half to pick up their second straight win after an opening game defeat as they "edged" the previously unbeaten Crusaders, 44-43.

Coach Jim Perozek's Raiders started out cold in the first half, scoring only three points in the first period and falling behind 19-12 at the end of the half.

The Raiders cut the margin to three points going into the fourth quarter sparked by the shooting of guards Terry Grizzle and Bob Latendresse.

The score changed hands four times in the late stages of the game before the Raiders pulled ahead and the Crusaders made a bucket in the waning minutes of play to cut the margin to one point.

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Latendresse had 13 points and Grizzle 12 to lead the winners, while Jimmy Leach and Steve Cameron sparked coach Jim Woitt's quintet with 18 and 15 points respectively.

In the Youth Division, there was plenty of action right to the final whistle as all three games were decided by a single point.

The Knights grabbed their share of the league lead as their second in a row, 29-28, over the Titans.

Doug White had eight points for the winners, while Oddie Powell had 13 and Ken Knowles had 11 markers to lead the Titans.

The Gladiators won their first game of the season and knocked off the previously unbeaten Rebels, 24-23, in the second game of the youth triple header.

Newcomer Jim Scurry carried the offensive load as he dropped in 20 points for the winners. Forward Richard Lee had 14 points to spark the Rebels.

A gift two-pointer because an opposing player dropped one in the wrong basket proved to be the margin of difference as the Hawks climaxed the triple header with a thrilling 27-26 win over the Ramblers.

Coach Gary Ness' hustling Hawks won their second straight game while the Ramblers went down to their second loss in three games.

Guard Scott Kimrey popped in 10 points for the winning Hawks.

#### STANDINGS

##### (YOUTH DIVISION)

| Team       | Won | Lost |
|------------|-----|------|
| Hawks      | 2   | 1    |
| Rebels     | 2   | 1    |
| Knights    | 2   | 1    |
| Titans     | 1   | 2    |
| Gladiators | 1   | 2    |
| Ramblers   | 1   | 2    |

##### (JUNIOR DIVISION)

| Team      | Won | Lost |
|-----------|-----|------|
| Royals    | 2   | 0    |
| Raiders   | 2   | 1    |
| Crusaders | 2   | 1    |
| Knicks    | 1   | 1    |
| Spartans  | 1   | 1    |
| Pyutes    | 1   | 2    |
| Titans    | 0   | 3    |

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The National Honor Society of Kubasaki High School held an induction ceremony for new members Wed., Jan. 12, at the school auditorium. Twenty-one high school students were selected for admission into the society. The charge to the new members was administered by Mr. Robert Seider, Vice-Principal of Kubasaki High School.



Chaplain Levitan was the guest speaker.



A reception was held at the senior lounge after the induction ceremony.



Jane Twers(center) one of the candidates, lights the candle as Ron Rudolph, Pres. of the National Honor Society, & Janet Kwong, a member of NHS, look on.

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# D.O.D. School Administrators



## 1st Row (Seated)

*(Photo Courtesy of Elmer Beshearse)*

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|------------------------------|---|
| 1. Mr. Edgar A. Cole         | Assistant Principal, Naha-Adams Elementary school |
| 2. Mrs. Gertrude R. Bruner   | Administrative Officer                            |
| 3. Mr. Thomas H. Baker       | Principal, Kubasaki Junior High School            |
| 4. Miss Emma G. Baldwin      | Principal, Tyler Primary School                   |
| 5. Mr. Clarence R. Bush      | Principal, Naha-Adams Elementary School           |
| 6. Miss Mary H. Muehring     | Principal, Sukiran Elementary School              |
| 7. Mr. Robert T. Preston     | Civilian Personnel Officer, USARYIS               |
| 8. Mrs. Clara J. Bunyard     | Principal, Kadena Elementary School               |
| 9. Colonel J. J. Hamlin      | Adjutant General, USARYIS                         |
| 10. Miss Emily S. Gritsavage | Principal, Mercy Elementary School                |
| 11. Mr. Robert J. Seider     | Assistant Principal, Kubasaki High School         |

## 2nd Row (Standing)

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|----------------------------|---|
| 1. Mr. William C. Bechtel  | Assistant Principal, Kubasaki Junior High School              |
| 2. Mr. Wendell W. Salsman  | Assistant Principal, Kadena Elementary School                 |
| 3. Mrs. M. Virginia Lee    | Principal, Kubasaki High School                               |
| 4. Mr. Donald C. Swanson   | Education Specialist, Guidance and Testing                    |
| 5. Mrs. Sadie H. Alexander | Assistant Principal, M&K Primary School                       |
| 6. Mr. Harry C. Frey       | Superintendent of Schools                                     |
| 7. Mrs. Helen E. Goddard   | Education Specialist, Reading                                 |
| 8. Dr. John Dunworth       | Area Superintendent, DOD Overseas Dependents Schools, Pacific |
| 9. Mr. Tennis W. Hoffman   | Assistant Superintendent of Schools                           |
| 10. Miss Dorothy MacDonald | Principal, M&K Primary School                                 |
| 11. Mr. Frank B. Ecker     | Principal, Port Wheel Elementary School                       |
| 12. Mr. Donald I. Taylor   | Assistant Principal, Mercy Elementary School                  |

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# Know Your Educators



**Eva Beatrice Waller**  
**Kadena Elementary School**

"Today's youth is being greatly prepared to face the future; education is offering and providing more versatile tools than ever before; physical education programs are being strengthened; and youth is being 'fit for the future'," said Miss Eva Beatrice Waller, a teacher at Kadena Elementary School. She further stated, "Today's parents are interested in the educational welfare of the children. Parents are conscientious and seek all the help they can get; the child is encouraged to use basic skills; home libraries are provided; the public library is used; and trips and vacations are taken to historical points.

Miss Waller lists her Alma Mater as Indiana State Teachers' College, Terre Haute, Indiana. She has done graduate work there also. When asked to list her hobbies and spare-time activities, Miss Waller listed: coin collector, collect models of modes of transportation, play piano, write essays, oratory, member of Kadena's Protestant Choir. When asked about her writing, she stated, "I was given the honor to have an article published on Foreign Language in the Elementary School entitled, to 'Latin Enriches the Third Grade,' published in the *Classical Journal* through the Indiana University.

Concerning the goals and aspirations which she strives for in her teaching, Miss Waller stated, "It is hoped that the children are able to participate, concentrate and evaluate on the tasks at hand; that the children realize that school can be a workshop and a funshop; that the children can expand their learning horizons independently at their level; and that they can plan, organize, and be prepared to seek information and use learning resources independently.

Miss Waller was formerly Secretary for the teachers' organization, The American Educators' Association of Okinawa, and she believes that the AEAO should "create a corresponding type secretary who can keep us informed of the educational and professional advancement that is taking place in the states, Far East, and Europe. Ideals could be exchanged or shared through such an organization."

In summing her ideas about education today, Miss Waller said, "Education has made innovations in various fields. These innovations are by no means a panacea, but provide more real life experiences for child level and provocative introductions. These innovations promote understanding and meet today's growing need for up-to-date, realism in teaching and learning.



## KUBASAKI HIGHLIGHTS

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Students of the Home Economics Dept. of Univ. of Ryukyus recently visited Kubasaki High School. They were very impressed with the modern facilities of the Home Economics Dept. of the high school.



Mrs. Groton (L) Home Economics teacher, entertains Mrs. Kinjo (C) and Mrs. Tomoko (R), teachers of Home Economics at Univ. of Ryukyus, during lunch at Kubasaki High School Cafeteria.



Mrs. Groton and Student Linda Walz, show visitors the Home Economics study materials used at Kubasaki.



Verla Shephard, Kubasaki Home Economics student, explains in Japanese the use of the electric stove to the visiting group.

## The National Merit Scholarship Award Winners



Marilyn Kurata (L) winner of the National Merit Scholarship Award is a senior at Kubasaki High School. Marilyn has been accepted by the Carnegie Institute of Technology as a Math major. She plans to go into the field of computers.

Marilyn is Editor of Kubasaki's literary magazine "Accent", a member of the Armed Forces Writers League and a news writer for Kubasaki's "Typhoon". She is interested in writing, swimming and bowling.

Mary Linda Sprouse (R) also a winner of the National Merit Scholarship Award plans after graduation to attend college and major in physics. She has been accepted to the University of Michigan and has also applied to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Ohio State University.

Mary is the secretary for the National Honor Society and co-editor of "Accent". Last year she was awarded first prize in the VFW Challenge of Citizenship Essay Contest, and this year was voted "Most Scholastic" by the senior class. Her interests include writing, reading and bowling. (TW Photos)







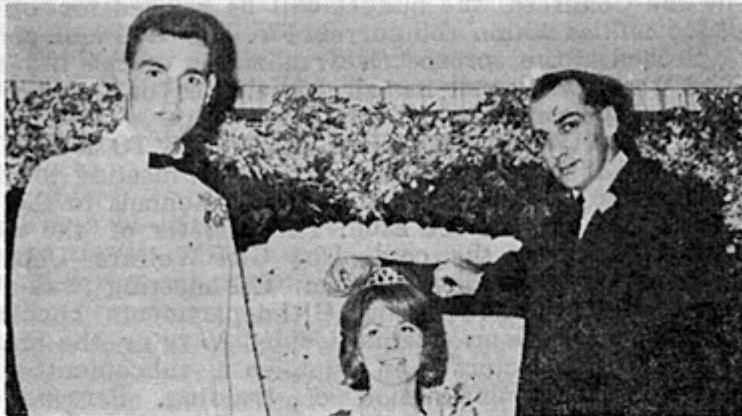
COVER—The three children pictured on the cover are (L—R) Mary Harris, Luanne Cass, and Jae Inuzuka. They are from the group of children who took part in the Hina-Matsuri festivities at Camp Boone Kindergarten on 3 March 1966. For approximately three weeks the children studied Oriental songs, dances, stories, pictures and costumes in preparation for the event. All the 460 children were encouraged to wear kimonos for the parade on the school grounds. (HINA-MATSURI Story on Page 32 this issue)

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## KUBASAKI HIGHLIGHTS

By Gordon Brooks

The Senior class of Kubasaki High School sponsored the annual Sweetheart Formal Ball at the Fort Buckner Officer's Club on Friday, 25 February. About sixty couples attended.



Pictorial highlight of the evening was the crowning of the Sweetheart Queen of the year Miss Pat Reed, by Mr. J. O'Reill, Sr. Class Sponsor. Gerry Shaw (L) was her escort.



Students Dancing



Chaperons were (L-R) Lt & Mrs. Ness; Mr. & Mrs. Seider; Mr. & Mrs. Fry; and Mrs. Reilly. Not Shown Mr. & Mrs. Hoffman.

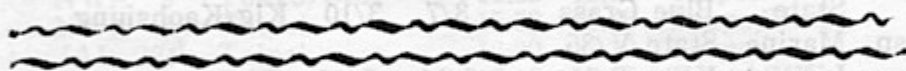
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**Harvey Ray Palmer**, who teaches at KADENA ELEMENTARY, is from Kansas City, Missouri. He is a graduate of Central Missouri State College, and taught at Consolidated School District #1, before coming to Okinawa. He has been active in teacher organizations, having been treasurer of the Consolidated School

District #1 Teachers' Association, which is an affiliate of the National Education Association. This is Mr. Palmer's first year overseas.



**Anthony T. Bronzo**, Counselor at KUBASAKI HIGH SCHOOL, is from Dundee, Michigan. He has a B.A. and M.A. from the University of Michigan, # and taught at Tecumseh and Dundee, Michigan before coming to Kubasaki High School. Mr. Bronzo lists as other significant experiences, the following: Bar & Restaurant Chef's Assistant, Automobile Assembly Line, and Dormitory Counseling,

Mr. Bronzo was born in Connecticut and has lived in Rochester, New York. He and his wife, Mary have one son, Michael Richard, and are expecting another baby soon.



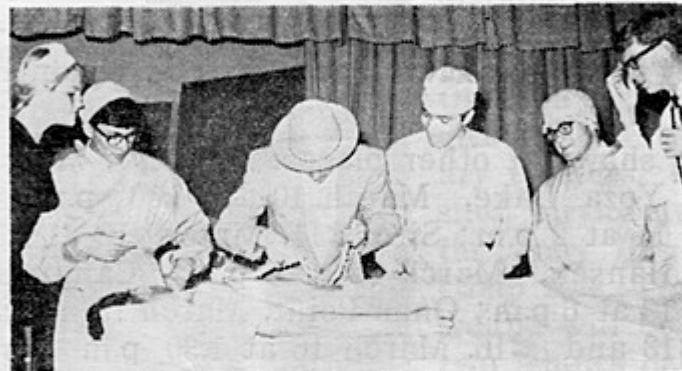
## KUBASAKI HIGHLIGHTS

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"Thurber's Carnival" the senior class play was held in the high school auditorium on March 3-4, and 5. The Carnival was a series of skits written by J. Thurber, many of which were dramatisations of his own experiences.



Approximately 500 people attended each of the three performances.



Walter Mitty performing the operation (L—R) Pam Tyler, N. Bowles, S. Smith, R. Prince and W. Karriker.



Members of the AV Team helped on the play, they are (L—R) R. Blaisdell, R. Sutton, R. Miller, M. Flemming, B. Baird, R. Strickland, R. Bowles. (TOP) V. Brown, F. Flemming, R. Andrews, M. Brewer, R. Frazier, B. Pottebaum, B. Allen, C. Spencer, J. Wentworth.

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Some of the children dressed in their kimonos for Doll's Day.

### *Doll Festival Celebrated At Camp Boone Kindergarten*

Children at Camp Boone Kindergarten celebrated the annual Doll Festival (Hina-Matsuri) on March 3rd. Much preparation went into studying Oriental dances, songs and costumes for this colorful occasion. Mrs. Samuel Oglesby's kindergarten classroom was the scene of a complete doll assortment owned by Mrs. Troy Kelkham which was viewed by approximately 500 pupils, parents and friends.

L-R, Deborah Burdsal, Susan Callahan, Teddy Cobden, Margaret Walker and Kenneth Elliot enjoying their "Tea Party" in Mrs. Richard Kagimoto's room.

Children playing in the schoolyard.

(TW Photos)



# Kubasaki Highlights

BY GORDON BROOKS

Mrs. Deanna Luke, a well known Chinese Cooking instructor on Okinawa recently gave two demonstrations of Chinese Cooking for students of the Home Economics Class at Kubasaki High School. She generously donated two of her favorite recipes for the Home Economics Cook Book Project which will be published by Tuttle and Co. in the Fall.

The two recipes are Green Peppers with Beef and fried Wan-Ton. The Home Economics Club of Kubasaki High School would like the public to share in their Cook Book by donating some of their favorite recipes. You may address it c/o Home Economics Department, Kubasaki High School, DOD Overseas Dependent Schools, Zone 4, APO 96331.



Mrs. Luke happily prepares her recipe in a recent demonstration at Home Economics Class of K. H. S. Students (l-r) Marsha Bryant, Susan Sultzer, Bea Seiler, and Pat Gannis.



Enjoying Mrs. Luke's cooking are (l-r) Yvonne Lowe, Gay Pagano, Linda Abolt, Mie Cortez, and Anne Freimuth.

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David B. Ward and Marilyn Jane Kurata. (TW Photo)

## Finalists for National Honor Society Scholarships

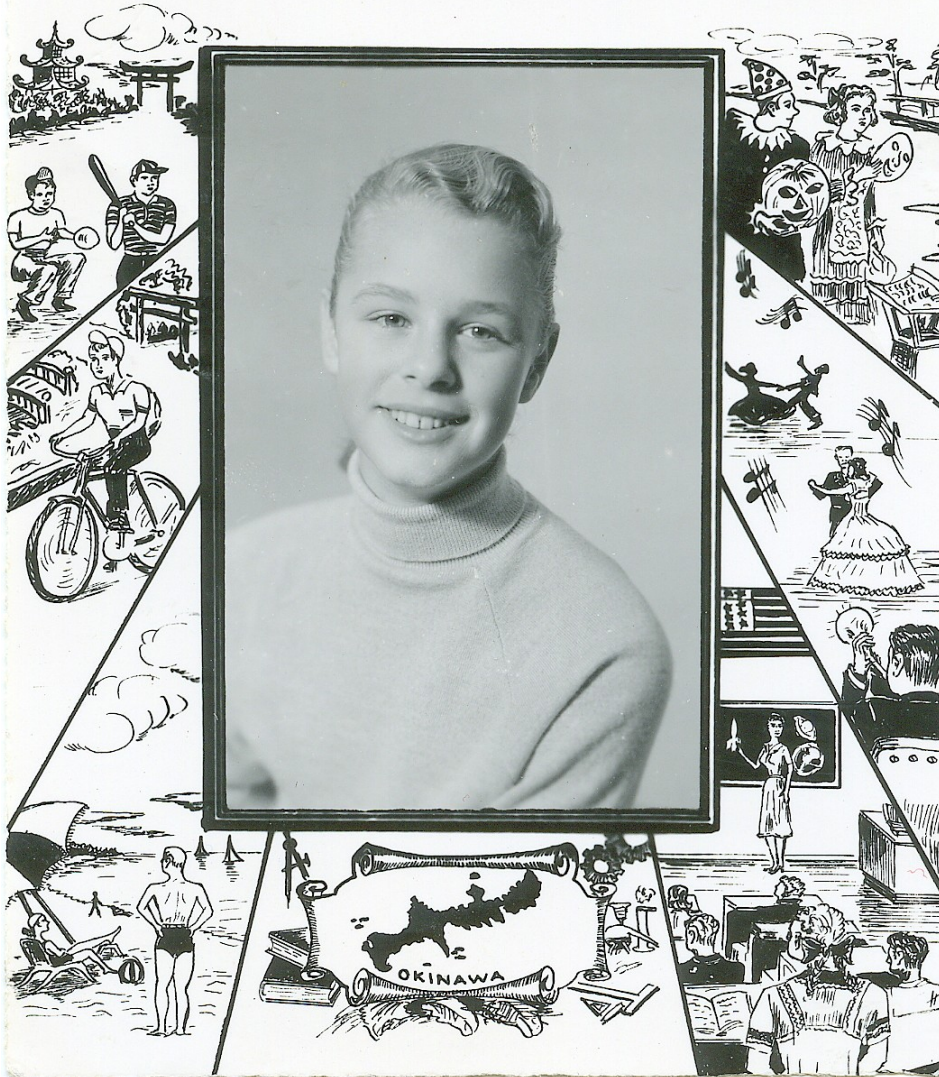
Two of the finalists for a National Honor Society Scholarship are David B. Ward and Marilyn Jane Kurata. David, born in Alexandria, Virginia, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Ward Sr., has one brother in the 4th grade, three sisters in the 10th, 2nd and kindergarten. His occupational plans are engineering, Civil service, and his interests are Classical music, reading, Mathematical recreations. School activities include Senior Class Play, National Honor Society, and Math Club. He plans to major in Mechanical Engineering or in some related field.

Marilyn, born in Pasadena, California, is the daughter of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Joseph Y. Kurata, has one sister, Carole, who is a freshman at University of California, Santa Barbara, and one brother, Joseph, who is in the 7th grade. She plans to attend Carnegie Institute of Technology. Her hobbies and interests are writing, fishing, bowling, reading, swimming and sewing, and her school activities include being chairman of Senior Class Gift Committee, National Honor Society (treasurer 1st semester), Poetry editor of Accent, school literary magazine, and being on the staff of Typhoon, school newspaper.

# SCHOOL DAYS



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