

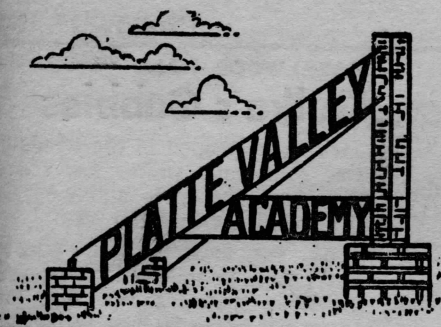
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Grand prize winners, Pam Maize and Shara Williams, play to a packed house.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR DECEMBER

- December 9—Sacred Christmas Program
- December 10—Secular Christmas Program
- December 17—Club Open House and Banquet
- December 20—S.A. Caroling
- December 21-Jan. 2—Christmas Vacation

## Juniors Over-indulge

Who said the Juniors weren't big eaters? At the junior class party we devoured 14 dozen Taco patties, 16 pounds of beans, 3 dozen tomatoes, 12 onions, 3 heads of lettuce, and lots of cheese.

This sure tasted good after playing outside games from which we about froze. We also played games inside and before leaving we had root-beer and 7-up floats to add to our already full stomachs.



Juniors eat.

## Sophomores Search

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Ye ole' ladies and gentlemen of the sophomore class! Come to the shorthand room of the Administration Building, 7:30 P. M. Saturday night, Nov. 18 . . . So started the first sophomore party of the year.

Among the first activities of the evening was a hat judging contest, which was won by Pam Maize, as well as musical hats, a winking game, and other games. (Oh, the joy of being a sophomore!!)

Then the food! We had a Mexican touch with tacos and cold milk. Next, to exercise off all this delicious food, fixed by our capable food committee (chairman Cindy Torske), we had a treasure hunt, which led to the old main "B", and finally to Miss Mole's house, where ice cream cones were served to round off an evening full of fun.



Sophomore's treasure hunt.

## Campus Carousel

Once again Amateur Hour has rolled around. The theme was "Campus Carousel", the name perhaps derived from our unique stage, a 12 foot revolving circular stage, built by the students.

Mr. William Rankin, speech teacher at Union, was the Master of Ceremonies. Special guest artists, who sang while the judges deliberated, were Miss Margaret and Miss Carol Weng and Miss Diane Humpal of Union College.

In the Elementary Section, \$4 were awarded to Eric, Jessie, and Carmen Mock, who sang "Good-night, Little Wrangler".

First prize went to the doggie in the window, Vaughn Anderson, and his sisters, Penny, Rhonda, and Terri, who asked, "How Much is that Doggie in the Window?"

Second prize in the Contest Section went to "Dr. Gradus ad Barnassum", a piano solo by Carol Morse, and 1st prize to Shara Williams and Pam Maize for their piano and organ duet of "Finlandia". This was also the grand prize win.

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## Freshman Frolic

The freshman class costume party got under way at 7:30 p.m. November 18, 1967, in the cafeteria, with table games, and grapefruit and suitcase relays.

Then Mr. Williams and Mrs. Hill selected the best costumes, modeled by Lou Ann Muenchau and Tim Rienhart, who had to drink extra large root-beer floats as prizes.

It seems that Mr. Williams got a glass of water poured down his leg while being measured for a coffin. This exciting evening ended with the devouring of delectable refreshments—popcorn, cake, and root-beer floats.



Freshman's fashion show

## Witches, Goblins And Goodies

Our Halloween Party was held the Saturday night following the day of that name.

First there was a short concert by the P.V.A. band. Then we quickly went to the dorms to change into some warm clothing for the hay-rack ride following.

It began to snow when we were about half-way home. By the time we reached campus, everyone was covered with snow from the top of their bare heads to their "frozen" feet.

We then went to the gym and found the S.A. officers placing pies on a table in the middle of the gym. Two people from each class and the faculty were chosen to compete in seeing who was the biggest pig.

Well - Ernie Schwab was the winner. Yeh juniors! Rotating in 4 groups, we played games such as sweeping feathers, dunking for apples and thumping ping pong balls off pop bottles.

The evening ended with hot chocolate and doughnuts for all.

Thanks to our social vice president, Bev Urwin, and the rest who helped to make the party a BIG success.

—Jeanne Petersen

## Senior Sup and Shove

What a joyful night for seniors! Jumping on the tramp, up; down; flip; flop; smash; ker-plunk. And playing basketball (we girls are quite efficient when the boys have their legs tied together).

Oh, I mustn't fail to mention the mouth-watering meal! It was composed of Mrs. Anderson's and Mrs. Mock's sloppy joes, drink, potato chips, and pickles. Also whipped cream for a few of the lucky ones who were blind-folded as they assisted each other in the feeding process. It was a great party!!

—Julie Serafin



Seniors' keep away



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# EDITORIAL

## ANCIENT SPIRIT ENGULF!

"What we need is an enthusiastic but calm state of the mind and intense but orderly work."

Ellen G. White perhaps? Adalii Esteb? No, Mao Tse-Tung in his Chinese revered "little read" book.

This year Russia celebrated its 50th year of "liberation", and like a certain song states, the beat goes on.

Here at school there has been a lot of talk lately about school spirit and its lack. We have had school colors suddenly brought in to major importance.

At times I have witnessed something less than a calm state of mind when school spirit comes up in conversation, but at the same time, I have not witnessed much in the line of intense but orderly work.

If a philosophy as shallow as communism can maintain itself and grow steadily, based purely on human stubbornness, how much more should our faith be bolstered, not only in basic Christian principles, but also in our Christian oriented school program, when we become fully aware of our Adventist heritage.

Let us lift our hearts in steady and calm exuberance, and with one voice, unite in the praises of Platte Valley. Singing out with pride when the school song is sung, and even more important, backing up the faculty in their dedication.

—Lanny Fiegenschuh

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—Mr. DeForest Nesmith

## The Rewarders Are Rewarded



**Courteous Connie smiles warmly at Bob as they recollect their surprise at being revealed instead of revealing the boy and girl of the month.**

The girl of the month for November is Connie Jo Gerst. She has been Courtesy Queen for this last school year for '66-'67.

Connie has been here three years and has worked in the Registrar's Office all three years. This year she is also head monitor for Miss Gwen. She is president of the Temperance Society and secretary of her senior class.

Some of her hobbies are skiing, baking and swimming and she also likes cats. Connie plans to go to Union next year.

Bob Herrington who was chosen the boy of the month comes from Omaha, Nebraska. To Bob courtesy means treating others as he would like to be treated.

Bob is very popular here at P. V.A. He's vice-president of the boys' club and pastor of the senior class and a temperance club officer.

His favorite sport is football. He is the captain on one of our teams.

His favorite study is American history and his favorite job is working on maintenance.

—Lou Ann Muenchau

## HAZELWOOD HALL Gulka's Gabbles

Jack Frost peeped in the window  
One cold, cold, winter day . . .  
Perceived the girls a-playing;  
Enjoyed their laughter gay.

Ah, yes, Jack Frost nipping at our noses, pumpkins smiling with toothless grins, shows that Autumn has come to stay. With fall, came the question, "Do we get to have a Halloween party?"

"No, not this year," Miss Gwen's answer was positive and decided. Oh, the groans and whimpers that ensued! After much pleading and begging, however, the girls were later informed that they might have one after all, a costume party in the dormitory.

What a scramble the girls made for the boxes of old clothes in the basement; what searching of mind for ideas to win the judges' votes!

That same evening, the bell rang, and the worship room began to fill with witches, ghosts, and things that didn't look quite like people.

Wanda Ellis, the babe of the evening, toddled in, complete with blanket and teddy bear. Then came the country folks, Pam Maize and Jeanne Peterson, as Pa and Ma; and Cindy Rhodes, dressed as a farm girl on her first prom date.

To add more to the parade, came the mumified Barbara Peckham, the oversized Eunice Gregory (who won first prize) and a group from the 'Jet' set which included Jo Ann Herrington, Joyce Pruden, Bev Urwin, Debbie Haynes, and Pattie Carey.

After each costume had been displayed, the girls piled into the recreation room to join in the merriment of bobbing for apples, munching on popcorn, and playing table games.

Thanks to Miss Gwen, Mrs. Zimmerman, and Miss Moles.

When studies get to be too much, the routine is broken by spurts of little mischievous deeds. For instance, when Merva Renquist found Raisin Bran and popcorn in her pillow. What about it, Joyce and Bev?

And when roommates get annoyed with each other; one (Twila) finds salt in her bed. How did it get there, Julie?

Girls' club takes no back seat when it comes to fun in the girls' dorm, as Iva Gowler leads out in swimming, white Elephant sales, and play nights in the gym.

Once more I close the pages of my reporter's book to pick it up again next month to fill in with more fun and tattletales from the girls' dorm.

Jack Frost therefore, departed, The girls stand in amaze.

The reason he left, they know not why  
For many questful days.



## WILTON HALL

## Wanderings

Due to circumstances beyond my control, Fiegenschuh the dorm columnist has returned for a brief but with the written word.

The boys' dorm has surely taken a sparkle this year, thanks to the work done by dean and maintenance janitors and monitors.

What with the new monitor's station and all, we boys can certainly live better than years past, even though it doesn't nearly approach a new boys' dorm.

One of the favorite boys' club pastimes these days is the not-so-cultured sport of warball. There are two teams chosen and 3 balls given to a team.

Lines divide the gym into a large no-man's land with bases for the opposing teams. Then the ball-happy crew descends with ravaging force upon the hapless mass cattering before them; it's really a big supervised riot.

On the agenda for dorm improvement, foremost is the formulation of a health club, with varying facilities, weight lifting and other apparatus for the physically fit. Membership fees would be small, only enough to maintain upkeep on the equipment.

Halloween night the dorm boys went to Grand Island for their monthly swim. Instead of exhausting energy on vandalism, destruction of other's property, and not so practical jokes, we refreshed both our minds and bodies in the warm waters of the Y.M.C.A. pool.

After swimming we stopped at a drive-in for a bit more refreshment. It was funny as we watched they would be pranksters, carefully scrutinized and scattered by the good guys (law enforcement officers.)

One boy had a pocketful of eggs which he, unfortunately, forgot about, and, much to his chagrin, remembered only after several of the eggs had been well mixed in the bowl of his pocket.

Such grimaces, such recognizable agony was written on his face, but everyone, including the poor victimized egg man himself, had to settle down into a steady hum of laughter.

Thus my column comes to a screeching halt, as I prepare for the Thanksgiving holidays.

In closing I want to wish you all a happy time during this holiday packed season. May your joys stretch beyond the stuffed stomachs of Thanksgiving, beyond the expenses of Christmas, and even past the broken resolutions of a coming New Year.

It is better to say a good thing about a bad fellow, than to say a bad thing about a good fellow.

## Connie Jo Features Four Faculty Alumni Ready to Serve

The "featured four" are Mr. Marvin Anderson, Miss Janis Bascom, Mr. DeForest Nesmith, and Mr. Harold Williams. They are a unique group in the sense that years back they were students here at P.V.A.

For seventeen whole years Mr. Marvin Anderson has been on the P.V.A. faculty, teaching in the industrial arts field, and working as assistant farm manager.

This is the seventh year that he has served as president of the Alumni Association.

Mr. Anderson recalls that when he lived in the dorm (his junior and senior years), Mr. J. O. Iverson was dean. It was the usual thing to have two roommates and this he did.

He said, "Some common entertainments were marches in the cafeteria, pump-pump-pull-away, and baseball." And the films that they watched they really watched (there was no sound!)

Working with metal, wood, and electronics are some of Mr. Anderson's hobbies. Now he is taking a course in electronics and is making an oscilloscope. Another couple of things he enjoys are bee keeping and traveling.

Miss Bascom, who was born here, is the accountant as well as

the shorthand and office practice teacher. She has been here working in this capacity for 14 years. In looking back to when she went to school here she remarked that then they had "just one building."

They didn't have a gym and Saturday night activities were spent in the dining room or out on the front lawn (where our new administration building now is.) Sounds homey and fun, doesn't it?

Last year Miss Bascom, a lover of dogs, added "Tassy", a Norwegian Elkhound to her family of dogs. Now she is giving him obedience training which both of her Pugs received.

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There is a new organization on campus this year. The Usher Club, consisting of 42 members, usher for Vespers, Sabbath School, and M.V.

It also consists of host and hostess for each Sabbath who welcome the guest minister and accompany him to the cafeteria. The officers of this club are:

President—Janelle Harden  
Vice-President—Otto Jahns  
Secretary-Treasurer—Patsy Brabec  
Pastor—Gordie Wise  
Sergeant-at-Arms—Larry Meyers  
Publicity Secretary—Randy Nelson  
Sponsor—Mrs. Maize  
Chairman of Social Committee—Clyde Opp

—Pam Maize

## Sports Spectacular



With the final tournament game the football season comes to a chilly end as the hardly-ever-beaten Evan's team is defeated by Owen's speedy and determined team spirit.

Rah! Rah! Rah! Evans, the triumphant voices rang in the tone of victory, as Terry Owen's team wound up the last chapter in the '67 football season.

The night was chilly as the field lights shone brightly on the players gathering there. This was no ordinary game; it was electric!

A tenseness filled the air, for in the balance of this game hung the championship. Both teams would be putting out as much as possible.

Evan's team, with a smooth, well geared running attack, and Owens, with an impervious line and fantastic pass attack, were sure to come up with a game to be recalled many times in the future.

Go! Go! Go! Terry, the cries of encouragement were coming from fans on the benches as in the opening moments, Owen's team took an early lead of 7-0. Fumbles held Evans to 6 points at the end of the first half.

Owen's team's enthusiasm continued into the second half as long

passes by Dorsh to Johnson, Fultz, Owens, Rayburn were completed, showing great team effort by winning the championship game with an overwhelming victory of 34-14.

The field lights dim now. The football is left on a shelf as the boys of P.V.A. pursue practice with basketballs, volleyballs and such for football season has come to an end.

### FINAL STANDINGS "Season play"

	W	L	T
EVANS	5	1	2
OWENS	4	1	2
HERRINGTON	2	4	1
WISE	0	6	0

### TOURNAMENT PLAY

Herrington vs Owens—Herrington 8, Owens 20

Evans vs Wise—Evans 6, Wise 6

Evans vs Wise—Evans 36, Wise 6  
Owens vs Evans—Owens 34, Evans 14

PLAYERS OF THE MONTH  
CONGRATULATIONS! Terry Owens—End, Duane Johnson—End.

—Bob Herrington

## Give As Was Given

It was Wednesday night eight days before Thanksgiving. The buses were setting out in front of the main building, and it seemed that everyone was getting on them.

But where was everyone going? They were going to Wood River and Shelton to gather food for Thanksgiving baskets. In turn, these food baskets will be given out to some unfortunate family in this community who does not have it as nice as some of the rest of us.

Maybe in this way they will have more to be thankful for too.

—Jim Sanders

## CAMPUS CAROUSEL

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ner, worth \$10.00. So much for the Concert Section.

In the Light Section "Catch a Falling Star" sung by Pam Maize, Shara Williams, and Judy Wesslen got second place.

Six pounds of assorted nuts was preferred by Alvin—Sandy Gulka, Simon—Bonnie Gulka, and Theodore—Connie Jo Gerst, instead of the \$6.00. Their director, Ellen Feather had better like nuts, for she directed them in "Alvin and His Harmonica".

A special thanks to all who participated and let P.V.A. know of their talents.

—Dennis Dickerson



## Campaign News Flash

Wednesday, Nov. 22, 1967,  
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Statistics Total .....\$4,180.82  
Cowboys ..... 2,297.28  
Indians ..... 1,883.54  
Contributors ..... 600  
Campaign ends Nov. 27, 1967.  
Definite and final figures next  
month plus winners.  
Thank You.

## New Typing Instructor

Joining our teaching staff is Mrs. Oliver Maize, teaching typing. As our school is expanding, we are glad that Mrs. Maize can lighten the load for Miss Bascom, who has been teaching typing and all other business courses.

In January, Mrs. Maize will complete her B. S. degree—Congratulations to her!!

One of her hobbies is chalk drawings and other art crafts. We are happy that Mrs. Maize will offer a course in art second semester. We welcome her to our staff at P.V.A.

—Linda Dorsch

## CONNIE FEATURES FACULTY

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Librarian, American government and journalism teacher, and a sponsor of the junior class, and

## V-A-C-A-T-I-O-N

The atmosphere is different now  
That vacation's drawing near.  
The moon's a bigger, brighter  
gold;

The air is crisp and clear.

Students have been counting days,  
But now it's minutes, hours;  
The staff sense a restlessness  
And summon greater powers.

They need the powers to hold us  
in;

And powers round about,  
Powers to keep us going strong  
But not powers to let us out!

It seems we keep them busy  
From dawn, to night, to dawn;  
Until they sigh with great relief  
When we at last are gone.

But when the last shout's died  
away;

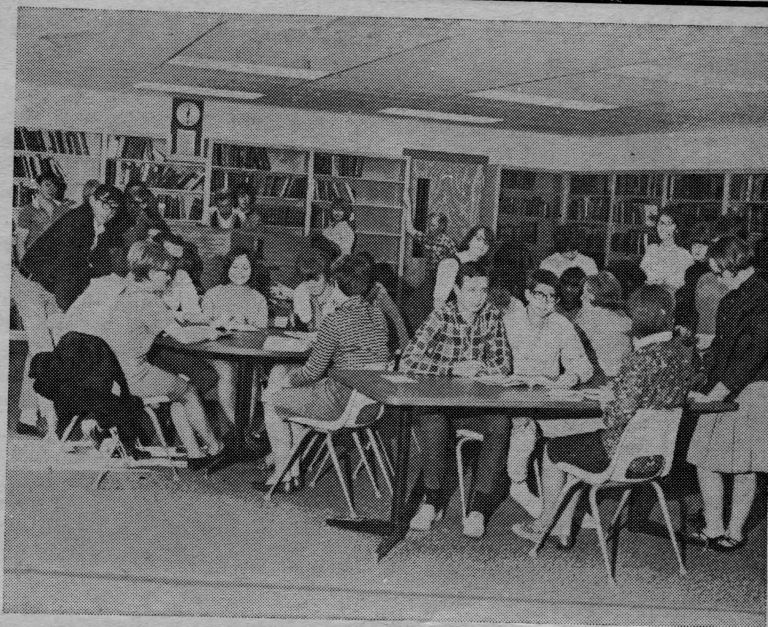
When each suitcase is packed;  
They cannot stand the silence  
And they wish that we were back!

Wanda Ellis

the Aquila and Sundial sponsor, Mr. Nesmith shares the privilege with Miss Bascom of being a second generation faculty member plus both being former students.

When he was here, Bascoms, all three, and Mr. Marvin Anderson were on the faculty—the others we now have are all new; also, the campus was considerably different!

In the summer of 1961 Mr. Nes-



Honor roll students find that studying pays in A's and B's and maybe even compensates for the horseplay and frivolity missed in search of higher educational realms.

## Honor Roll

### 1st Six Weeks — 1967-68

#### First honor roll—

Bev Urwin — 4.0  
Shara Williams — 4.0  
Ellen Feather — 3.80  
Duane Johnson — 3.80  
Vickie Scott — 3.80  
Marilyn Peckham — 3.75  
Gwen Runyan — 3.75  
Debbie Schwabauer — 3.75  
Twila Pierson — 3.67  
Julia Serafin — 3.67  
Bonnie Gulka — 3.60  
Pam Maize — 3.60

#### Second honor roll—

Barb Cook — 3.5  
Debbie Dickerson — 3.5  
Dennis Dickerson — 3.5  
Linda Dorsch — 3.5  
Ken Fults — 3.5  
Connie Gerst — 3.5  
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Bette Harden — 3.5  
Carol Morse — 3.5  
Jean Petersen — 3.40  
Judy Wesslen — 3.40  
Vernette Morse — 3.34  
Ken Rayburn — 3.33  
George Dorsch — 3.20  
Sandra Gulka — 3.25  
Karen Hanson — 3.25  
Jo Ann Herrington — 3.25  
Gina Huckins — 3.35  
Brenda Kemper — 3.2  
Chris Smith — 3.25  
Wanda Ellis — 3.25  
Karen Bowen — 3.0  
John Gorton — 3.0  
Roger Grabill — 3.0  
Janelle Harden — 3.0  
Lou Ann Reile — 3.0  
Peggy Robinson — 3.0  
Jerry Wesslen — 3.0

## Words We've Heard Before



I just can't understand Spanish...

It's just such a boring class...

mith ran in the 26 mile Pikes Peak Marathon and won fourth place!! The next summer he spent touring in Europe, and the following summer he was married!

And just last summer Mr. Nesmith received his master's degree from the University of Denver. Eventful summers, wouldn't you say!!

At least once a month at Sundial deadline time and Aquila deadline time, Mr. Nesmith takes pictures by day and develops and prints them by night.

Mr. Nesmith's musical talent is playing the violin, baritone, and lately he has learned to play a soprano recorder.

In an Amateur Hour several years ago Harold Williams, student of P.V.A., ascended to the organ pedestal and played from

memory one of Bach's fugues. The judges were amazed, and, congratulations to him, he won the grand prize. We still enjoy hearing him play the organ periodically!

Mr. Williams, no longer student, serves in the capacity of science and math teacher, as a sponsor of Student Association, and as a sponsor of the freshman class.

He enjoys snow skiing, movie photography, sound stereo (you should HEAR some of his stereo sound!), and underwater swimming.

I am very glad each of these students of the past came back to P.V.A. to guide us and help our school be a happier place. Perhaps some day some of us who are now students will follow their example and come back as faculty members.