Admiral Farragut Academy

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Farragut North Wins The Sword!!!



DOWN SOUTH

by Craig Olah

As many of you know there are thousands of schools in the United States. Not surprisingly, many have the same names, or are associated with one another. This is true of Admiral Farragut Academy, North and South. Not only is our sister school in a warmer climate, but it also is ten years younger.

Even though the schools have existed for practically half a century, they have never had a formal athletic competition of any kind. Not only was the game to start up better relations with our "sister", but it would prove who really was the best.

Brian Carter and Virgilio Vidal were the captains that led the Middies to victory over the Blue Jackets. The rest of the team consisted of Jeff Guerrero, Rodney Ward, John McNulty, Craig Piatt, Larry Lepisto, Craig Olah, and T.J. DeCristofaro. The managers were Tim Snyder and Alan McKellar. Coaches Cresbaugh and Peterson were there also. In addition, we had the support of some members of the Board of Trustees, the Headmaster, his charming wfe, and alumni.

The odyssey was quite irritating at first. Our flight to St. Petersburg was delayed about three hours. In addition, since it was the first time Carter flew, the two hour flight with much turbulence did not agree with him.

The team stayed overnight at the school's sickbay. It was very comfortable, even though we got there at midnight. Breakfast was served the next morning, with lunch later on. Then there was the big game.

Though the Jackets had an excellent team last year, most of its members had graduated. Thus, they were able to only have one player drive in. Carter, as usual, with the help of Vidal, were able to drive the ball deep into the enemies area, to score 65 versus the Jacket's 49. The date was January 31, 1987.

As with any first, there was a long ceremony afterwards where words of congratulations and good luck were exchanged. It was also here that the sword was formally transferred to us.

Then the fun began. We went to a Days Inn hotel in Orlando. We went to Walt Disney World. We visited the Magic Kingdom and Epcot Center. Our last day of our earned vacation was spent relaxing and cleaning up.

Thus ended a great chapter in Farragut history. Though the score of the game may not be remembered, or the names of those who brought it home, we will always remember that Farragut's sword returned home.

An Editorial Espirit de Corps

by Alan McKellar

At first, I planned this article to be a long detailed drawn out report on the above topic. After Wednesday, Jan. 28, 1987; I decided to change it slightly. As all of the cadets know, on that one night, for the first time in many weeks, the battalion had a turnout.

Why? Morale, attitude, or a consideration of everything? It's the latter. Too many cadets tend to have negative attitudes toward the school. Nevertheless, they don't seem to realize that the so called school is not the buildings, but they themselves.

No matter what reason you are here, you are here! What the heck, make the best of it. Espirit de Corps, the school, morale and anything relating to this school which affects you, is your doing. If you feel bad, you'll make others feel depressed also.

For the seemingly few of you who like the school, don't be afraid. Too many of you can be manipulated by peer pressure. You have to be strong, use your own belief as your strength. You have to be you. It is something that is difficult here, but still very possible.

Espirit de Corps starts with you! Think positively. Everybody here has definitely got good points. Work on them, for everyone is part of the Corps, an intricate part.

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An Editorial....

THE 200 DECK...A PROBLEM by Benamin Buring

One of the major problems in the battalion is the 200 deck. There are several things that affect conditions on the deck. Seventh, eighth, and ninth graders in First Company are facing the problem of being unable to control their hostilities. These kids may also be away from home for the first time, and they are unaware of the way to live in a community.

Another reason for the problem is, even though the cadet officers and petty officers are good, they are being asked to do too much. Most of the officers of First Company are seniors that are trying to go to college, or into other professions. These officers need to be allowed to have time to maintain high grades. When speaking of officer supervision, we must consider adult supervision. More adult supervision is needed.

As a cadet of First Company, I believe that the following are somethings that could improve conditions in First Company. More officers and petty officers would probably improve conditions on the 200 deck. Possibly, a member of the battalion staff could be moved to the top desk of Farragut Hall. The ninth graders could be moved into the upper-school companies. A faculty member living on the 200 deck as a head of the junior school would surely bring some improvement. It might be possible to improve conditions by having more junior school activities. These activities, such as model building contests, or science fairs, would give young cadets without homework something worthwhile to do.

These are only ideas, however, if they are at least considered, the lives of a few junior schoolers may be a little easier. I would appreciate suggestions that might help to solve the problem on the top deck of Farragut Hall.

Editors Note: This editorial could not have been written without the ideas, thoughts, and detailed advice of Mr. Booker. He deserves a great deal of credit for this article.

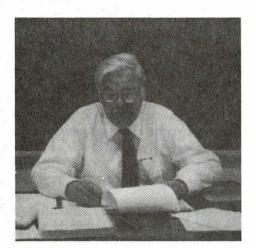
An Editorial What Do We Do About The Hostages by Vincent Latchford

It seems like every day there are announcements about more American hostages being taken in Beriut. In almost all of these cases the people are there of their own free will and against the advice of the government. When these people are taken hostage the media puts the government under great pressure. Whatever the government does about it results in a great disaster.

We could risk the lives of thousands of military personnel or in an attempt to preserve them we could bomb headquarters and other strategic points and kill many innocent Lebanese. We could attempt to win favor with the people who support the terrorists. Lastly, we can give into their demands and release the terrorists held in jail.

Every one of these options will do more damage than good. We should not be in the position of endangering the lives of many people, including our military personnel or innocent Lebanese civilians; or having the government collapse trying to negotiate the release of these hostages. People who enter a war zone against the advice of the government for their own benefit should not cause the American people to risk lives. They are the cause of their own situations.

Thinking Things Over



Mr. Boyle

by Al Nicolosi

Mr. Boyle is a new teacher on the faculty staff. He is replacing Cdr. Speck who left the Academy in Jan-Mr. Boyle graduated from Fairleigh Dickinson University with a Bachelors Degree in Chemistry. He became a laboratory manager in E.R. Squibb in North Carolina and in Beecham Lab, in Piscataway, New Jersey. At the present time he is living in sickbay, although he has a wife, daughter and son in North Carolina. He has known about Farragut all his life. Mr. Boyle, losing interest in his previous job, wanted a challenge, so he came to Farragut. He thinks that Farragut is a great school, and his goal is to give cadets a good foundation in oceanography and chemistry. In his spare time he likes to go tuna fishing and surf fishing.

Welcome aboard!

Lt. Michael Redfearn

by G. Pellicce

Mr. Redfearn came to Farragut in the summer of 1984, as the summer camp director. Summer camp was fortunate to have him as its director for the next two summers. Though OOD is a job many faculty members loathe, he has done it for the past two years. He was the assistant coach of the Baseball team. Last year he was a

Mr. Decker

by C.J. VanVliet

Mr. Decker teaches junior school English and history. He was educated at Mount Pleasant High School in Schenectady, New York, and from there he received his B.A. from Ithaca College. After attending Ithaca, he went on to the University of Rochester (N.Y.). Mr. Decker majored in history, and minored in English. He came to Farragut after teaching at Midwest Military Academy.

Mr. Decker has had many teaching experiences. He taught English in the Adjudant General School in Korea, as well as teaching at two other military schools before coming to Farragut. Mr. Decker not only teaches, but has had coaching experience in baseball and track and field.

In his English class, Mr. Decker stresses a firm foundation in grammar so that his students can have better expression in speech and in writing. As for history, he wishes his pupils to have a better understanding of foreign peoples and culture.

Mr. Decker has taught at military schools for 25 years. He enjoys all kinds of music, and likes to relax to classical. He also enjoys writing poetry. Welcome Aboard!



security guard for three days out of a week. This year he has become the Assistant to the Commandant. He schedules inter-company sports, and hockey, trips to basketball games. He lives on the 400 deck. He plans on creating a chess team and being the coach of baseball this year. He future plans include returning to college to complete his studies. He enjoys scuba diving and being around his girl-friend. Mr. Redfearn is a pleasure to have on campus.

Mrs. Giavatto

by Stefan Lubinski

Mrs. Giavatto, known to most as Mrs. G., is a jovial, spunky lady with a lot of talent and patience for her students. Originally from Sicily, she moved to the United States in 1968. She is now married to a teacher who teaches in Montclair, New Jersey. She also has an eight year old son. Mrs. Giavatto has fifteen weeks of teaching training behind her to reinforce her abilities to instruct Spanish. Mrs. Giavatto explains that her students are learning, and on the whole are enjoying the Spanish curriculum. She teaches Spanish I, II, and III and would like to teach Italian next year. Although she has no complaints about the school, she would like to see her blackboard lowered. She may not be the tallest lady in the world, but it's not the quantity of the teacher, it's the quality and it's evident that Mrs. Giavatto has a lot of that.



Wahoo!

AFA Activities

CADET COUNCIL

by Al Nicolosi

The Cadet Council is a student government, which works on the areas of morale, welfare, recreation and activities for the entire Corps of Cadets. This year the council started off on a slow note. Not many bills have been passed, but the ones that were have been acted upon. The first bill was the requisition of telephones. Right now that bill has been looked over and the Headmaster is talking with a company to install more phones for cadet use. The next bill was concerned with Mess II time improvement. This bill went through the process and now cadets have an efficent amount of time for Mess II. The third bill consisted of the addition of chocolate milk to the Mess Hall. The result was chocolate milk at Mess III on Mondays through Fridays. It was requested to also be served during Mess I. Several other bills are in the process of being considered.

The representatives for the 1987 school year include Mr. Calcagno and Engle, (first class); Bergstrom and Hyland, (second class); Nicolosi and Whittle, (third class); Buring and Hafl, (fourth class); Broslow and Sarte, (eighth grade); and Dorsey, Brian and Fullerton for the seventh grade. In addition Mr. Calcagno was later elected as the speaker of the council.

The Headmaster had suggested to the council to have "open meetings." An opening meeting would allow a cadet to view the council in action. The date still has to be set however.

If any cadet has any suggestions to improve the well being of the cadets, please let your representative know.

NAVAL SCIENCE TRIP

by Michael Sanders

On Friday, February 7, several cadets from Naval Science I. II. and III took a trip up to the Naval Sub base in Groton, Connecticut. We departed the campus at 0600 and arrived at the base about 11:00. We were met by two petty officers who served as our tour guides. We were split up into two groups and went to different parts of the base. We saw a lot of simulators in which they trained men to go on submarines. Some of the different kinds we saw were flooding, fire, and missile launching simulators. After the first half of the tour we had lunch in their mess hall. After lunch we saw a movie and had a lecture. Then we went to the submarine, the "Nautilus", and went inside the submarine museum for about a half an hour. Right before we left, a couple of cadets went in their uniform store and bought some items. We left the base about 1700 and arrived back at school at 2200. The trip was enjoyed by everybody and they look forward to another in the spring, in which some cadets may use some of the simulators.

THE KEY CLUB

by James Noyes

The Key Club is a group of high school students that help the community by organizing dances and such activities. It consists of a president, a vice-president, and a treasurer. The president's main task is to hold the meetings and suggest new ideas to the club. The treasurer's obvious task is to organize the money of the club and collect dues. Mr. Bruce is in charge of the Key Club. Though this is the first year for the Key Club it will hopefully be a successful one.

The Cotillion Club

by Jason Revson

The Cotillion Club is a small community of cadets that put together and organize dances for Farragut so that the cadets can have some fun and meet new girls.

It's a shame though because we do not receive the credit which is due to us. We not only coordinate the dance itself, but we also serve food and drinks to satisfy those hungry customers. Thanks to Mr. Uzzolino the Game Room has been modified a great deal with a new light and sound system. In addition a new layer of paint has been added to the walls to give the room a more appropriate effect.

We put a lot of effort and time into these dances, so we hope that more cadets and girls come to the dances to enjoy themselves. So the next time we have a dance, come enjoy, relax and most important, get away from it all. You can thank the Cotillion Club.

Chef's Corner

Hawaiian Cornish Hens Au Macadamia Nut

by John Hoffman

3 (1½ lbs.) Cornish game hens 6 cloves fresh chopped garlic ½ cup lemon juice 1 oz. flour 4 oz. Dijon mustard 3 oz. white wine 12 oz. chicken stock (broth) 4 oz. chopped Macadamia nuts ½ cup honey

Rice

Rub hens inside and out with garlic and lemon juice. Bake in a 400° oven for one hour until cooked. Split in half and keep warm. To pan drippings, stir in flour and cook for 3-4 minutes. Combine mustard, wine, honey and stock with flour and pan drippings. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly for 2-3 minutes. Next, stir in nuts. Place hens on a bed of rice. Pour sauce over and serve.

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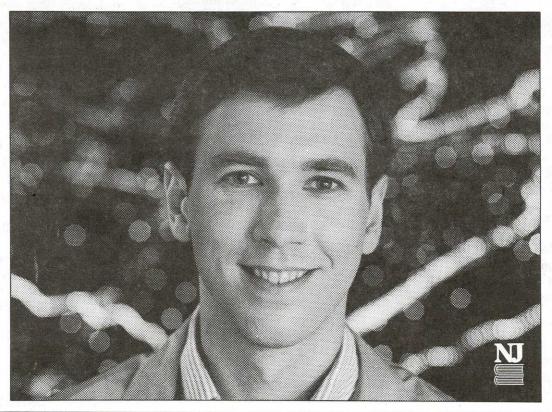
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Your major attributes are self-reliance, energy and impulsiveness. You respond eagerly to affection and any sign of approval will encourage you to do your best. You thrive on constant change, hate any kind of restrictions. However, you are always in danger of spreading yourself too thin. You must strive to be patient and remember that not everyone is as fast as you. Your lucky numbers are 7 and 8 and your lucky day is Tuesday.



GIANTS MANIA

by Chris Carter

It all began for the Giants back in 1925, when the Giants first team was formed. Never entering a superbowl, the Giants were long in deserving this first chance in 1987. All year the Giants fought through teams good and bad, coming closer every game to the Superbowl. Led by coach Bill Parcell and Ouarterback Phil Simms. The Giants soon became invincible, winning more than 75% of their games and advancing to the playoffs. Winning the NFC wasn't bad, but winning against Denver was going to be a task long remembered. Superbowl XXI was on its way. Denver began with a quick drive down the field and settled for a three point field goal by Carlos. The Giants were able to turn the tables and scored a touchdown and a safety by George Martin. After the Broncos scored seven more points in the first quarter, the score was 10-9, in favor of Denver at the half.

The second half was definitely dominated by the Giants. Thus, by taking control they were able to win with a score of 39-20. Phil Simms had 22 completions with 268 yards total and three touchdown passes. Congratulations to the Giants for their first superbowl win and conference championship since 1956.

The Wrestling Team

by Santiago Leon Patron

The wrestling team has had a very good year and its record of 5-4 supports this. The first two wins were against Hun, with a score of 33-32, and Rutgers Prep., with a score of 42-20. They were later able to shut out Pennington with a remarkable score of 63-0. Their only loss was to Blair, with a score of 27-37.

Nevertheless, the team has a lot of pride within itself. Coach Eddy and his assistant coaches, Mr. Iverson and Mr. Gilletta, have been working hard with the team in association with the team captains Mr. Euler, Mr. Sabrese and Mr. Gagis. This is the first time in Farragut history for back to back winning seasons. Farragut placed 3rd out of 10 teams at the States.

Spotlight for spring Lacrosse

by Robert Serrano

Lacrosse is a game that was invented by the Indians of North America. When they played it, they used a stick with a net and a rock. Lacrosse has come a long way since its early days and has now become one of the major sports in colleges. Big universities like John Hopkins, Brown, Duke and even the U.S.N.A. have adopted lacrosse into their athletic program.

Last year at A.F.A., lacrosse got off to a slow start. We had trouble getting the school's permission and the equipment necessary. At the beginning of the season about 20-30 people showed up; most with little or no lacrosse experience. We ended up having only two games. Even though we lost both of them, we had fun and benefitted from the experience of this new sport at the school. Last year, Jim Tofani was the lacrosse coach; he did a great job, even though he had virtually no coaching or playing experience.

This year the team will be coached by Mr. Deleon. We are looking forward to a successful and fun season. Some of the veterans that have returned from last year are Scott Bunson, Chris Thomas, Agustus Corcoran, Rob Serrano, and Barry Dorsey. We hope to have many more games than last year and we would also like to have some home games. Last year the school was not very supportive of our efforts, and we had to pay a large portion of the cost of the equipment and jerseys we needed. This year we hope the school will look into the lacrosse team and deem it a part of the total school program.



The Junior Varsity Basketball Team

by Jason Portock

The Junior Varsity Basketball Team is off to a shaky start with an 0 and 5 record. The coach, Mr. Zampier is happy with the teams performance considering they don't have enough practices. The team consists of Russell Laffey, Chris Kale, Jason Portock, Ted Murray, Bill Bodine, Chris Ozol, David Halpin, Marty Bonacci, and Jason Adler. There are also four players that play both varsity and junior varsity. They are: T.J. DeCristofaro, Jim Murray, Craig Olah, and Larry Lepisto. The team leaders are Larry Lepisto with 13 points per game, Craig Olah with 12 points per game and rest with an average of 5-8 points per game.

During the middle of the season it was tough for the team to practice because Clark Hall was being redone and the varsity was using the big gym. The team knows hard work will pay off. They look forward to next year.

FIGHT CANCER WITH A CHECKUP AND A CHECK

