

Limelight



Malla Brooks

Malla "Miss 1940" Brooks very ably shares the first edition "Limelight" with "Mr. 1940." Her numerous activities show that she is an "all-rounder."

When it comes to sports, just give "Dusty" a swimming pool, where she can splash 'til her hearts content. She splashes nicely, too, since she captain's Trenton High's girls' swimming team. Her enthusiasm for playing mermaid has let her to many victories. Her favorite medal can usually be found on a chain around her neck.

For the past two years, Malla served as vice-president of her home-room and this year entered the Service Corps. She attends Junior Historical Society meetings and Clonian calls her vice-president. If you see a large order of blueberry pie a la mode with a girl behind it or a tall brunette fellow dancing with a cute little blonde to Glenn Miller's orchestra, you can bet the girl is Malla.

When this year is over, "Dusty" is planning to go on to higher things in the way of physical education, although she's not sure which college she will attend.

Spectator, September 20, 1940

Mistress Of Ceremonies Co-Stars In Limelight With 'Keeper of Keys'



Kitty Hurd

Every T.H.S. lassie looks forward to Sport Nite as one of the highlights of the year, but his lassie can justly be looking forward most anxiously, for when the grandeur and glamour of Sport Nite makes its entrance, she will be marching at the head of the Rd and Black teams as they clash for supremacy. Meet Katherine "Kitty" Hurd, mistress of ceremonies of Sport Nite for the year 1941.

Besides being president of the Leaders' Corps, this honor entitling her to the still greater honor of mistress of ceremonies, enterprising Kitty is a main cog of two other leading school organizations. Kitty is president of the Junior Red Cross Society and vice-president of the Pythagorean Society. For good measure, she belongs to the National HONOR Society, the Service Corps and is editor of Girls' Sports on the SPECTATOR.

During her spare moments you'll find Kitty sympathizing over Mickey Rooney's latest Andy Hardy problem on spreading crispy crackers with her favorite food- peanut butter; that is, if she isn't at a meeting of her Girl Scout troop.

Kitty plans to enter the University of Missouri where she will prepare for a journalistic career.

Spectator, October 4, 1940

Girls' Corner

By Kitty Hurd

Sport Nite is coming! Trenton High lassies are excitedly discussing this night of all nights when girls shine in the spotlight. This is the time when all good girls come to the aid of their teams!

This year, the bustle of Sport Nite has stirred all the girls earlier than usual. With the announcement that the theme would be definitely decided by last Wednesday, the early birds are really catching the worm.

Excitement ran high during the elections of team captains, period captains and lieutenants and head of committees. When it was announced that Malla Brooks will head the Blacks and that Faye Briscoe was elected captain of the Red, approval came from all sides. Both leaders bubble over with tea spirit and loyalty and are good examples for their teammates.

Sport Nite offers everything to a fun-loving girl. Dances, games, races, specialties all are in the recipe that, mixed together, make a successful evening for feminine athletes.

Sport Nite means more than just having a good time. It teaches sportsmanship and loyalty to one's team. Whether a member of the Red or Black team, every girl will discover a love and enthusiasm for her side that can never be forgotten.

Spectator, November 20, 1940

Girls Elect Captains For Sport Nite To Be Presented March 26, 27 And 28

Faye Briscoe and Malla Brooks were elected captains of the Red and Black teams, respectively, by their teammates on Tuesday, November 12. Selected by all the girls of the school, these leaders each hope to lead her team to victory on March 26, 27 and 28, the dates set for the seventh annual Girls' Sport Nite. At an earlier date, Kitty Hurd was named mistress of ceremonies.

Voting all day in their individual gymnasium classes, the Reds and Blacks got a head start in preparing for this all-girls' night. In former years, captains were not chosen until January.

This year's performance ought to prove more competitive than before, as the score now stands: Reds, 3, and Blacks, 3. The winning team in March will have a majority of the victories.

At this writing, the theme for Sport Nite had not been definitely chosen, but several suggestions were made by the girls. Among these were Army and Navy, Water Carnival and Land Carnival, Colonial and Ultra-Modern, the Hour Glass and North and South.

Period captains and lieutenants of the two teams were also selected last week. L These girls represent their classes for their teams. L The first girl named in each period is the captain and the second, the lieutenant. They are: black team, Period I – Lee Breeden and Helen Conologue; Period II – Josephine Mitchell and Florence Hansen; Period III – Peggy Nicholas and Jane Keating.

Period IV – Betty Locky and Emma Navarro; Period V – Wilma Ross and Florence Bradley; Period VI – Doris Lanatz and Virginia Maone.

Red team leaders are; Period I – Lorraine Bannerman and Beatrice Tartaglia; Period II – Anna Grupp and Iola Santilli; Period III – Millicent Acolia and Ruth Rochford.

Period IV – Dot Mendrey and Yina Wah; Period V – Helen Kovacs and Ruth Slover; Period VI – Gerry Maruska and Gloria Soriero.

Spectator, November 20, 1940

Girls' Teams Elect Sport Nite Heads

Pick Captains, Lieutenants, Of Teams In Each Period And All Activity Leaders

Preparations for Girls' Sport Nite were well under way when Mrs. Isabella Quick, physical education instructor, announced the final results of the elections of committee heads for the Red and Black teams. Although the votes were cast by team members during the week of November 11-15, they were not tabulated until November 26.

At an earlier date, Faye Briscoe and Malla Brooks were elected captains of the Red and Black teams, respectively, Kitty Hurd will be the mistress of Ceremonies at the event which will be held March 26, 27 and 28.

Theme Not Chosen

The theme for this year's Sport Nite has not yet been definitely chosen. At a meeting of team captains, committee heads and period captains and lieutenants, held a week ago last Wednesday, the matter was discussed but no final decision was made.

The success of Sport Nite depends upon these leaders. Each girl who heads a committee helps to plan her activity and selects a group of girls to help her. The chairmen are as follows: Ted team – marching, Virginia Unangst; tap, Marie Thompson; rhythmic, Elsie Clugston; decorations, Cynthia Wilcott; originality Yina Wah; songs and cheers, Gertrude Janes; skating, Alice Schweider.

Ballet, Evelyn Thompson; music, Anna Cracker; properties, Jerry Gotthardt; publicity, Nancy Prendergast; games, Judy Bendel; novelty, Jeannette Palma; costumes, Evelyn Strohecker.

Black Team Leaders Listed

Black team leaders are: marching – Evelyn Birchenough; tap, Julia D'Arcy; rhythmic, Lee Breedon; decorations, Wilma Ross; originality, Norma Lanzi; songs and cheers, Virginia Cooper; skating, Dorothy Hough; ballet, Rowena McCrae; music, Peggy Willey; properties, Fraila Hancock; publicity, Betty Van Ness; novelty, Edna Falcey; costumes, Claire Johnson; games, Jean Burtis.

Spectator, December 6, 1940

GIRLS' CORNER

By Kitty Hurd

Class, attention! Hearing crisp orders from class officers, Trenton High girls in their gymnasium classes snap to order. For the past month the girls have been practicing marching so that on Sport Nite, the opening number will have that "finished" look.

Mark time, mark! As the classes come to order they often wonder what the day's program will be. Sometimes, with the help of class leaders, the girls work on rhythmic or novelty ideas that may be incorporated into one of the Sport Nite numbers.

Forward, march! Ever looking forward to the night of nights, Trenton's lassies went to the community room last Monday to see moving pictures of last year's Sport Nite. What a thrill to see Pat Harper and Rita Topley, Red and Black captains, respectively, rush up to Mistress of Ceremonies Laura Wolf and triumphantly carry the color flag back to their teams, when they won a point.

Right face! Last Wednesday Red and Black teammates discussed themes for Sport Nite and voted as they thought right. With the imagination and initiative of true team members, they should produce one of the best programs ever seen at Trenton High School.

About face! Looking back on former years, the Red and Blacks will discover that hard work, cooperation, leadership, good sportsmanship and team loyalty have made Girls' Sport Nite a success – and a victorious success for the Blacks three years and for the Red three years!

Spectator, December 20, 1940

Teammates Select Sport Nite Theme

Will Stage Novel Stunts, 'Between The Book-Ends', Choosing Books By Lot

"Between the Book-ends" will be the theme for Girls' Sport Nite this year. Committee heads and period captains and lieutenants selected this suggestion as the central idea for Sport Nite.

At a meeting of both the Red and Black teams on Wednesday, December 18, Captains Faye Briscoe of the Reds, and Malla Brooks of the Blacks, gave the details of the plan for selecting the books that will be represented in the Sport Nite program, March 26, 27, and 28.

Members Submit book Titles

Team members handed in names of books that they thought could be used for the different numbers. This list will be compiled and the team leaders will choose the sixteen books which they think can best be adapted for the various routines and sketches.

The names of the sixteen books will be put in a hat and the team captains will each draw out eight. These eight names will be the books upon which the numbers for the two teams are based.

Various Names Listed

Books suggested by teammates varied from "Gone With the Wind: to " The Three Little Pigs." Some of the names proposed were "Heidi," "Robin Hood," "Sherlock Holmes," "Pride and Prejudice," "Ferdinand the Bull," "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," "Midsummer's Night Dream," and "Dead End."

Malla and Faye introduced the committee heads and period captains and lieutenants to their team members at the meeting. The leaders, in turn, told the girls any ideas they had concerning the activity they head.

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Girls' Sport Nite Originates From Stunt Day of 1914

Presentation Of Today Contains Original Ideas For Scenery, Costumes

Sport Night is not so new as many think. As far back as the pre-World War days of 1914, the lassies of T.H.S. were offering competition to the Ziegfeld Follies with their original Sport Night. In those days it was called Stunt day and was conducted on a much different plan from the way Sport Night is now produced. Then it was more like a vaudeville and there was more of imitating of things than of forming some original plan as the girls do today.

Sophomores Lead

The sophomores performed the first act. One of the girls dressed as a drummer announced the approach of the suffragette parade. All classes of women were represented – mannish women, stout ladies, nurses, children, stylish women, T.H.S. girls, college graduates, factory girls, stenographers, and old ladies. Several humorous speeches were made in which a colored maid set forth the motives of the suffragettes. Then the group withdrew, waving "Votes for Women," "Down With Men," etc.

Next came the juniors, whose act featured a mock wedding. The bride and groom headed the procession of the immediate families, bridesmaids, ring bearers, and pages.

Juniors Perform Wedding

One of the girls took the part of a very solemn minister. The chanting responses of the groom caused the bride to break down entirely when she was asked to say, "I will." The minister kissed the bride and laughter broke forth from the audience.

The seniors presented a very unique program. They represented different stitches in embroidery, French knots, cross stitches, stencils, etc. Their costumes portray their parts well. Later on in the program there was dancing, dodge ball, basketball, and then a grand march. Refreshments were served and another Stunt Day had come to a conclusion.

Seniors in finale

Nowadays Sport Night is staged for three consecutive nights, in which all the sophomores take the first night, juniors the second and seniors the third. More excitement and enthusiasm are achieved now because of the competition between the Red and Black teams. Sport Night, year by year, has gradually improved so that now it has come to be an elaborate show. Fancy costumes, clever scenery, beautifully arranged music and originality of ideas and performances, all combined, help to make up the girls' Sport Night of Trenton High School.

Spectator, January 17, 1941

Leaders Designate 14 Famous Books for Sport Nites

Showboat, Tom Sawyer, Pinocchio and Robin Hood Among Selected Novels

Progress in Girls' Sport Nite plans was made last Friday when, at a meeting of team captains, committee heads, period captains, and lieutenants, the leaders definitely designated the list of books which the Red and Black teams will use for their numbers for the theme, "Between the Book-ends."

The team leaders met and discussed the books each group wanted for its program. Conflicting choices were settled by the captains, Malla Brooks, Black, and Fay Briscoe, Red, who drew the disputed book titles. The entire list of fourteen books had been compiled at an earlier meeting.

Events Portray Titles

The team captains and committee heads have tentatively designated the book upon which event will be based. The choices are Red team: "Ferdinand, the Bull"--tap; "Hiawatha"--rhythmic; "Robin Hood"--novelty; "Pinocchio"--marching; "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs"--originality; "A Midsummer Night's Dream," and "Tom Sawyer."

The Black's numbers are "Raggedy Ann"--tap; "Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp"--rhythmics; "The Wizard of Oz"--novelty; "Puss in Boots"--marching; "Showboat"--originality; "Treasure Island," and "Rip Van Winkle."

With the announcement of the Red's and Black's programs came the statements from the head cheerleaders, Red chairman, Gertrude James, and Black chairman, Virginia Cooper, that the songs and cheers committees have already begun working.

Chairmen Name Cheerleaders

The Red cheerleaders are Evelyn Zalank, Gloria Sorerio, Jean Sorerio, Blanche Dobos, Catherine Dempsey, Charlotte Wood, Jane Hoffman, Marie Pone, Margaret Toth and Audrey Fell.

Ten girls will serve as Black team cheerleaders. They include Florence Bradley, Marjorie Kelty, Dorothy Matthews, Ruth Palumbo, Estelle Kruch, Blanche Frowley, Emma Navarro, Mary Napoleon, Eleanor Weber and Julie Bullitt.

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Are You Ready?



Virginia Cooper, Blacks' head cheerleader, kneeling, Gertrude James, Reds' head cheerleader, standing.

GIRLS' CORNER

"Come on, come on!" Excitedly shrieking and shouting, members of the Red and Black teams will be wildly jumping up and down on Girls' Sport Nite as some of their teammates show their prowess in athletics, striving in heated competition to emerge victorious from the games they play.

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In all the glory that is Sport Nite, all the enthusiasm of cheering, all the endeavoring to present a perfect number, the games stand out as bright moments of tense excitement. The rapt attention of spectators and performers proves their success.

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The obstacle race brings many a hearty laugh from the audience. Last Year's scooter race shown as a high spot of Sport Nite. In the goal-bi competition, players strove to succeed in a game which many spectators saw for the first time.

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Of course, the hockey game is always exciting. Not only the constant fight of the players as they try to make a goal or attempt to prevent the other team from scoring, but also the breath-holding thought of another point for Reds or Blacks as the program progresses, makes this game one that on one wants to miss.

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Practice for these Sport Nite games will soon begin. Red team's Judy Bendel, and the Black's Jeanne Burtis have already issued calls for players. For girls who like to have a good time while working to make their team win, here's an opportunity! There goes the whistle! The game has started!

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‘Hockey One, Hockey Two, ...’



Red games chairman Judy Bendel, right, squares off with Black games chairman Jeanne Burtis, right.

Committees Plan Sport Nite Games

J. Bendel And J. Burtis Conduct Team Tryouts for Hockey and Races

With only one and a half months left before Girls' Sport Nite is presented on March 26, 27 and 28, the heads of the games committees have begun plans for the athletic contests which will round out the program. The games are the only events in Sport Nite which do not actually make use of the theme, which is "Between the Book-ends."

Disclosing their plans, Red chairman Judy Bendel and Black chairman Jeanne Burtis stated that this year the games will be somewhat like those played last year. The scooter race will again entertain audiences, but will be changed slightly. Reds and Blacks will compete in races, and hockey may be played.

Few Seniors Participate

Judy and Jeanne said that a great many sophomores and juniors have signed up to play games but that there is not so great a number of seniors. The sophomores have shown a great deal of interest in the games. Girls will try out for positions on their respective teams.

Practices have been scheduled for homeroom periods and study days. One of the first requirements that an aspirant player must meet is that she know the rules of the game she wants to play.

The Red committee consists of Ann Fyffe, Betsy Silvers, Mary McMahon and Isabel Fyffe.

Girls Show Sportsmanship

"More sportsmanship is being shown this year than ever before," Judy stated in regard to the players' interest in the games.

Lee Breedon, Connie Sweeney, Naomi Alexander, Margaret Camerzell and Carol Fuld serve on the Black committee.

"More interest is evident this year in the games," Jeanne said. "I believe this is because Sport Nite practice has started so early this year."

Both Judy and Jeanne believe that their respective captains, Faye Briscoe, Red and Malla Brooks, Black, will lead her team on to victory.

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GIRLS' CORNER

With Sport Nite rehearsals going on in all the girls' gymnasium classes, sophomores are getting their first taste of this great event. Some are thrilled at the prospect of what is in store for them, while others, not having any idea of what it will be like, are reluctant to participate.

These girls will realize, after Sport Nite has come and gone, how much fun it really is. When they have gone through the last exciting days of rehearsal, have marched on to the floor and cheered for their teams, they discover the thrill of participating and eagerly look forward to the next year's show.

By this time, everyone has learned much of her dance. Members of the Black novelty number have all become Dorothys, dancing off to see the Wizard of Oz. These Red novelty dancers, running around with their bows and arrows, are now members of Robin Hood's band.

Indian war cries heard in the vicinity of the gymnasium are coming from the Red rhythmic group, who are going through the motions of Hiawatha and his tribe. The themes of the Black rhythmic is Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp. Black tap dancers have become limp Raggedy Ann dolls, while those tin soldiers seen marching around are members of the Red tap.

Almost everyone is in the marching. While the Black team will portray Puss in Boots, wearing tails, ears, mustaches, and of course, boots, the Red team will represent Pinocchio with his long nose and tiny skull cap.

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SPORT NITE BREVITIES

By June and Jeanne

"We're off to see the wizard, the WONDERFUL WIZARD OF OZ," Edna Falcey of the Black Novelty Dance. And let's not forget Dorothy (Rowene McCray,) the Tin Woodman (Dorothy Fish,) the Scarecrow (Wilma Ross, and the Lion (Benetta Martindal." Too. These are the familiar characters of the famous book and even more famous motion picture, THE WIZARD OF OZ, theme of the black Novelty Dance.

The specialty dances are the high spots of the three major events of Girls' Sport Nite. "I shot an arrow into the air. It fell to the find it, aided by Little John (Mable Smith), Alan-A-Dale (Philomena Zook) and Friar Tuck (Catherine D'Angelo) of the red novelty specialty.

Ooh! INDIANS! There is no need for worry. All scalps are safe, for only either Eldreda Marren or Phyllis Manze, as an Indian captain, and the two Indian maidens, Elsie Slugston and Gussie Siet, in the specialty of Red Rhythmic.

Yards and yards of flowing silk, beautiful girls, haunting music and drifting incense! Why, it's Aladdin and his Wonderful Lamp taking us back to ancient Arabia with the black Team Rhythmic, Aladdin rubs his ring on his magic lamp and there appears the Sultan Jeanne Burtis) in all his glory, escorted by two mysteriously enchanting Arabian Dancing Girls (Evelyn Duritt and Dorothy Esposti).

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Black Team Leaders



Front row, from left to right, Jeanne Burtis, games; Wilma Conover, period lieutenant; Virginia Cooper, songs and cheers; Malla Brooks, Black team captain; Florence Bradley, period captain; Edna Falcey, novelty; Jane Keating, period lieutenant; and Peggy Willey, piano.

Second row, left to right, Julia D'Arcy, tap; Betty Leckey, period captain; Doris Lantz, period captain; Josephine Mitchell, period captain; Wilma Ross, decorations; Evelyn Birchenough, marching; Virginia Maione, period lieutenant; and Lee Breedon, rhythmic.

Leaders Of Red Team



First row, Faye Briscoe, captain, Second row, Cynthia Woolcott, decorations; Anna Cracker, piano; Geraldine Maruska, flag bearer; Yina Wah, originality. Third row, Gertrude James, songs and cheers; Ruth Rockford, period captain; Elsie Clugston, rhythmic; Jeanette Palmer, novelty. Fourth row, Judy Bendel, games; Alice Schroeder, period captain; Nancy Prendergast, publicity. Fifth row, Marie Thompson, tap; Evelyn Strowhecker, costume; Evelyn Thompson, ballet. Pictures of Black team leaders will appear in the next issue.

Girls' Corner

By Shirley Siegel

The first casualty of Sport Nite occurred when Marion Maloney, practicing for the Black tap, sprained her ankle. Although she is much better now, Marion will view the tap dance from the sidelines this year.

At last there is a mirror in the girls' locker room. The crowds around it are five deep every period, and one girl was heard to remark, "Now, it'll be five hundred years before they put another one in!"

In an effort to lose pounds, a group of girls carry on reducing exercise every day during their gymnasium period. One girl in particular is ambitious. With the whole "gym" class looking on, she stretches out on the floor and rolls the entire length of the floor and back. After seeing her at the finish, one realizes just how dirty the gymnasium floor can be.

Speaking of the Black tap, those Raggedy Andy dolls which the girls have made, are creating quite a commotion. Somebody decided to prop them up on the bleachers one day and left them there, where most of them looked quite anemic, others very much overstuffed.

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Tap Dances Of Two Teams Reveal Excellent Talents For Sport Nite

Presenting a high-light number, the tap dances will follow marching on the program for Girls' Sport Nite on March 26, 27 and 28. Carrying out the "Between the Bookends" theme, Red tap dancers will represent Tin Soldiers, while the Blacks become limp Raggedy Anns.

Heading the Red team's tap committee is Marie Thompson. Doll's committee members are Evelyn Thompson, Anna Grupp, Marie Hasson, Betty Latham, Doris Johnson and Helen Reynolds.

"Most of the girls seem to like the dance," Dolly stated. The routine includes military precision and the stiff arms and legs of the tin soldier. The specialty number will be a military tap danced to the tune of "West Point Cadets."

The Reds will be attired in short red skirts, white shirts and military hats.

"The Black tap dance will be spectacular," declared Julia D'Arcy, head of the Black tap committees. Girls dressed in discarded summer dresses and blue and white checked aprons will dance with life-size Raggedy Ann dolls. The partners are made of pillows, stockings, newspapers and typical Raggedy Ann clothes. The art department of the school is painting faces which are topped with bright red hair-like yarn.

Member of Julia's committee will dance in the specialty number. They are Helen Vickers, Gloria Laeria, Madeline Tilden, Rhoda Smallwood and Pauline Braniwice.

Beth Faye Briscoe, captain of the Red team and Mall Brooks, captain of the Black team are enthusiastic about the tap dancers and each believes her team will capture the points for the number on Sport Nite.

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Getting Ready For the Big Show



Above photo shows Red team captain, Faye Briscoe, left, offering her hand to Black team captain, Malla Brooks, right. In middle is Kitty Hurd, mistress of ceremonies. Upper picture is Red rhythmic with Carolyn Hillegass, Gloria Siet, Helen Kovacs. Lower photo shows, front row, Helen McDonough, Elinor Evaul and Mae Laczko; second row, Margaret Camerzell, Ruth Secor and Naomi Alexander, in the Black rhythmic.

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Sport Nite Preparations Near Completion

Winner Will Break Deadlock Of Three Victories Apiece

Scooter Races Promises To Provide Many Laughs In Return Engagement

By Kitty Hurd

With only two more weeks remaining before the seventh annual girls' Sport Nite is presented on March 26, 27 and 28, Trenton High School's girls are busily putting the finishing touches on the numbers included in the program. Both teams look for their captains, Faye Briscoe, Red and Malla Brooks, Black, to lead them to victory. Kitty Hurd will be the mistress of ceremonies.

This year's Sport Nite should prove to be as spectacular and colorful as those of former years. The theme, "Between the Bookends," presents opportunities for many outstanding dances, costumes and decorations. Each event portrays a different book in a new and unique way.

All Girls Participate

Every girl in the school takes part in girls' Sport Nite. The first night is presented by sophomores, the second by juniors and the last by seniors. Points received for each event are accumulative and the final score is given at the show at senior night.

Judges for Sport Nite are outstanding physical education experts from schools and organizations outside the city. Five different people serve as judges every night. Each judge sits with both a Red and Black team member.

According to LeRoy Smith, head of the athletic department, Trenton citizens are not the only ones who are interested in Sport Nite. Mr. Smith has received letters from as far west as Ohio and many others from physical education teachers in schools located in towns in the east.

Captains Confident of Victory

This year's competition between the Red and Black teams is more keen than ever before, as past years scores have credited three victories to the Reds and three to the Blacks. However, both Captain Briscoe and Captain Brooks are confident of victory.

Songs and cheers are an outstanding part of Sport Nite. Both teams enthusiastically cheer throughout the program. Trenton High School's band is divided into two bands, One Red and the other Black, for the event.

Flag bearers were definitely named by Mr. Smith on March 5. Bette Barra will carry the Red team flag, and Eleanora Fast will carry the Black's banner. Geraldine Maruska and Elsie Hellis will hold the American Flag and the school flag.

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The final program for Sport Nite is as follows:

1. Entrance March:

Red - "Pinocchio." In the marching, Red team members will portray Pinocchio, wearing little hats, white blouses under blue "gym" suits, red socks and each Pinocchio will carry an apple in her hand.

Black - "Puss in Boots." The Blacks will march, wearing boots, "gym" suits and blouses and topping it all off with white pipe cleaner whiskers.

2. Theme song:

Red - "Give a Little Whistle."

Black - "Show Boat."

3. Prelude - "Between the Bookends." This is one of the non-competitive numbers of Sport Nite. Members of the Modern Dance Club take part in it.

Dancers Mimic Tin Soldiers

4. Red Tap - "Tin Soldier." Red tap dancers will wear short white skirts, military blouses and dance with the stiffness of tin soldiers.

5. Black Tap - "Raggedy Ann and Andy." Black team girls become limp rag dolls dancing with life-size Raggedy Ann dolls in this number. The real dancers portray Raggedy Ann in old summer dresses covered with little aprons.

6. Races - Scooter Race. The "return engagement" of one of last year's successes will keep both players and audience laughing and excited.

7. Red Rhythmics - "Hiawatha." Longfellow's famous character becomes alive in the Reds' Indian dance. The "Indians" will wear burlap bags fringed with red and made into fetching costumes. To present more realistic braves, the girls will coat themselves with cocoa.

8. Black Rhythmics - "Arabian Nights." With soft, enchanting music and burning incense, the Blacks will present an Arabian dance. Costumes will consist of pajamas converted into large flowing trousers. Shirt-tails of the blouses tied in front will leave bare midriffs. Turbans will complete the costumes.

9. Ballet - "Cinderella." The ballet is another non-competitive number. The well-known fairy tale will be gracefully pictured by the toe and ballet dancers.

10. Red Novelty - "Robin Hood." The merry outlaw complete with hunter's hat and red bow is cleverly presented by the Red dancers.

11. Black Novelty - "Wizard of Oz." The Black, dressed as Dorothy, skip off to the "Merry Old Land of Oz."

Skaters Become Pirates

12. Skating - "Treasure Island." Another outstanding non-competitive number is the skating specialty. Dressed in flowing red and blue chiffon costumes, the skaters will become clever pirates on wheels.

13. Red Originality - "Snow White." The originality numbers are kept a secret by the performers until the night of the show.

14. Black Originality - "Show Boat."

15. Hockey - The hockey game presents a true picture of part of the regular athletic curriculum for girls in Trenton High School. It always proves to be a thrilling contest.

16. Finale - The last number on the program is presented by those who help to make Sport Nite a success, the mistress of ceremonies, team captains, heads of committee and period captains and lieutenants. This year, the girls will be attired in white sailor dresses trimmed with red or black braid.

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Sport Nite Here We Come!

With this battle cry and visions of a glorious victory, Trenton High's 2,000 co-eds swing into the last two weeks of preparation for the gala event.

Chairmen are calling for last-minute committee meetings to insure a smooth running routine in their numbers, the girls in the costume division are setting a fat and furious pace to get those seams sewed and hems finished, the decorations committee is daubing the last colors on the canvas settings, the propertied divisions, "on the go" collecting all those odds "n" ends which ifind a place in the glittering array. One of the biffest and most important jobs is being done by the team cheerleaders.

Mysterious, enchanting Arabian dancing girls, charming Indian maidens, tin-soldiers, limp, lovable rag dolls are all breathlessly awaiting "Between the Book-ends" to give you and you and you a thrilling spectacle. We'll be seeing you at Sport Nite!

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Sport Nite Leaders Share Limelight



Lee Breeden

One--two--hand--up--one--two. No, it's not an exercise period for reducing; it's just Lee Helen Breeden directing Black Rhythmics, of which she is head. This pert young miss goes in for sports in a big way, especially bowling.

Lee has a very interesting hobby. She collects souvenirs from foreign countries, and among her collection, she claims a cocoanut from Hawaii with a song written on it. The latest addition to Lee's collection is, however, a grass skirt from Hawaii. Why, Lee!!?

"There's nothing I enjoy more than listening to Tommy Dorsey while I'm eating sweets. I go to the movies quite often and my vote goes to Caesar Romero," relates Lee.

To prove Lee's interest in sports she claims membership in the Riding Club, bowling team, G.A.A. Council and is a hopeful candidate for the tennis team, Spanish Club, Special Service Corps and being "busy" secretary of the Girl Reserves also take up her time.

When asked about her "dream man," Lee stated that her only dream is to be a good social worker and we all know that she will succeed, because we have seen her work here and know that she will be a success at anything she attempts.



Faye Briscoe

With a twinkle in her eye and one of her merry laughs, Faye Briscoe reveals that her favorite color is--RED. This pretty, vivacious gal heads the Red team in no mean manner. When she's not busy whipping up her team's chances and stunts in preparation for what she vows is going to be "a great show for the Reds," she's indulging in one of her three favorite hobbies--ice skating, dancing or swimming. She's really waiting for open season for golf, although she shuts up like a clam when scores are mentioned.

Faye is vice-president of the G.A.A. Council, heads the ice skating division of the G.A.A, and tells us she also belongs to the Correspondence Club.

In the field of movies, she sticks to the "younger set," naming Robert Stack and Judy Garland as her favorites.

She likes that radio thriller, "Captain Midnight," and tells us she simply adores dancing to Glenn Miller's or Tommy Dorsey's rhythms. But when we come down to the question, "with whom," Fay pertly winks and drawls, "Mind if I keep it to myself?"

After graduation, Faye plans to attend the Jersey City Medical Center in Jersey City, where she'll either mend--or break --hearts.

GIRLS' CORNER

The first casualty of Sport Nite occurred when Marion Mahoney, practicing for the Black tap, sprained her ankle. Although she is much better now, Marion will view the tap dance from the sidelines this year.

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At last there is a mirror in the girls' locker room. The crowds around it are five deep every period, and one girl was heard to remark, "Now, it'll be five hundred years before they put another one in!"

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In an effort to lose pounds, a group of girls carry on reducing exercises every day during their gymnasium period. One girl is particularly ambitious. With the whole "gym" class looking on, she stretches out on the floor and rolls the entire length of the floor and back. After seeing her at the finish, one realizes just how dirty the gymnasium floor can be.

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Speaking of the Black tap, those Raggedy Andy dolls which the girls have made are creating quite a commotion. Somebody decided to prop them up on the bleachers one day and left them there, where most of them looked quite anemic, others very much overstuffed.

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When the skaters' group practiced recently, there was a large audience in the gym to watch. The girls seemed to be enjoying themselves so much that everybody envied them and wished that they, too, were gliding along. It looks so easy--from the sidelines!

Spectator, March 14, 1941

Witches – Note!

"Fairies, witches and goblins are to report to the gymnasium during the second homeroom period." .. So read the bulletin for the week. This shocking statement aroused the emotions of an unsuspecting male. Listening to this astounding message, Joe Student becomes startled, amazed, terrified and then he recollects. Oh, yes, Sport Nite!

The night of nights for the fairer sex will soon be upon us. The fellows will once more get a chance to watch the girls trot out and do their tricks. Good luck to the Reds and the Blacks. May the best team come out on top!

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"Girls Sport Night" will be demonstrated by pupils of the Central High School at Thursday's luncheon meeting of the Trenton Rotary Club in the Stacy-Trent. Harry H. Williams, club president, will preside. Nominations for directors will be received.

Trenton Times, March 20, 1941

T. H. S. Sport Night Has 2,000 in Cast

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights, Trenton High School will be the scene of the seventh annual Girls' Sport Nite program as produced by some 2,000 T. H. S. lassies.

Under the guidance of LeRoy Smith, head of the athletic department, and Mrs. Anne Griffiths, Miss Margaret Smock, Miss Eleanor Keating and Miss Isabella Quick, girls' gymnasium instructors, the girls have been busily engaged in putting the finishing touches on the numbers included in the gala event.

This year's Sport Nite will break a deadlock between the two competing teams, the Red and Black, as each group has won on three previous occasions dating back to the inauguration of the competition in 1935. Faye Briscoe will captain the Red team, while blond-haired Malla Brooks will guide the destinies of the Black team. Katherine Hurd will be the mistress of ceremonies for the colorful program. "Kitty," as she is known to her long list of friends, has been kept on the go during the past several weeks trying to make the program perfect in every detail, and she looks for a "spirited battle between the two squads, with the best team coming out on top Friday night."

Many opportunities are presented to the girls for outstanding dances, costumes, designs, decorations and unique ideas in the theme of this year's Sport Nite, which is "Between the Bookends." Each number on the three-night festivities portrays a different book in a new and fascinating manner.

Every girl in the school is a part of the program, whether a participant, usher or otherwise, and the three nights are divided into separate performances for each student body of the school.

Sports Nite Aide



Julia D'Arcy

Wednesday night will be for the sophomores while the juniors will take over the task on Thursday. Finally, the seniors will present their show on Friday night, when the victorious team will be presented with the Red and Black banner, emblematic of another triumph in the seven-year series.

Music to accompany the songs of both teams will be furnished by Trenton High's band which is divided into a Red band and a Black band. Another feature on this week's presentation by the Trenton High girls will be four flag bearers which have been selected by Mr. Smith. Bette Barra will carry the Red team flag, and Eleonora Fast will sport the colors of the Black team. Geraldine Maruska and Elsie Hellis will hold

Girls at T. H. S. Perform Tonight

Annual Sport Nite to Be Launched by Sophomores

Final preparations are being made by 2,000 Trenton High girls for the seventh annual Sport Nite program to be held at the Central High gym tonight, tomorrow and Friday nights.

Tonight the sophomore girls take over and attempt to put their respective Red and Black teams, captained by Faye Briscoe and Malla Brooks, in the lead for the winning banner. Mistress of ceremonies for the Sport Nite program will be "Kitty" Hurd.

Every girl in the school will take part in the three-day festivities with the theme of the program being "Between the Bookends." Music will be furnished by Trenton High's band, which will be divided into a Red team and a Black team. On Thursday night the junior girls will stage the performance while the finale will be put on by the senior lassies, on which night the victorious team will receive the Red and Black banner.

Tonight's program follows:

- 1-Entrance March: Red—"Pinocchio." In this marching number the Red team girls will portray Pinocchio, wearing little hats, white blouses under blue skirts, red socks and each Pinocchio will carry an apple in her hand. Black—"Puss in Boots." The Blacks will march, wearing boots, gym suits and blouses, and topping it all off with white pipe cleaner whiskers.
- 2-Theme song: Red—"Give, a Little Whistle." Black—"Show Boat." a Little Whistle.
- 3-Prelude: "Between the Bookends." This is one of the non-competitive numbers on the Sport Nite program. Members of the Modern Dance Club take part in this number.
- 4-Red Tap: "Tin Soldier." Red tap dancers will wear short white skirts, military blouses and dance with the stiffness of tin soldiers.
- 5-Black Tap: "Raggedy Ann and Andy." Black team girls become limp rag dolls dancing with life-size Raggedy Ann dolls in this act. The real dancers portray Raggedy Ann in old Summer dresses covered with little aprons.
- 6-Races: Scooter Race. The return of one of last year's most successful hits will keep both contesting teams and the audience in laughter and excitement throughout the events.
- 7-Red Rhythmic: "Hiawatha." Longfellow's famous character becomes alive in the Red's Indian dance. The "Indians" will wear burian bags fringed with red and made into fetching costumes. To present more realistic braves, the girls coat themselves with cocoa.
- 8-Black Rhythmic: "Arabian Night." With soft, enchanting music and burnish incense, the Blacks will present an Arabian dance. Costumes will consist of pajamas converted into large flowing trousers. Shirt-tails of the blouses tied in front will leave bare midriffs. Turbans will complete the costumes.
- 9-Ballet: "Cinderella." The ballet is another non-competitive activity. This well-known fairy tale will be gracefully pictured by toe and ballet dancers.
- 10-Red Novelty: "Robin Hood." The merry outlaw complete with hunter's hat and red bow is cleverly presented by the Red dancers.
- 11-Black Novelty: "Wizard of Oz." The Blacks, dressed as Dorothy, skip off to the "Merry Old Land of Oz."
- 12-Skating: "Treasure Island." Another outstanding non-competitive number on tomorrow's card is the skating specialty. Dressed in flowing red and blue chiffon costumes, the skaters will become clever pirates on wheels.
- 13-Red Originality: "Snow White." The originality numbers are kept a secret by the performers until the night of the show.
- 14-Black Originality: "Snow Boat." Sorry, can't tell you until the show begins tomorrow night.
- 15-Hockey: The hockey contest presents a true picture of part of the regular athletic curriculum for girls in Trenton High.
- 16-Finale: The last number on the program is presented by those who help to make the annual Sport Nite a success: the mistress of ceremonies, team captains, heads of committees and period captains and lieutenants. This year, the girls will be attired in white sailor dresses trimmed with red or black braid.

Sports Nite Aide



Jeanne Burtis

Who is chairman of the Black Team Games and Sports Committee in connection with the Sports Nite program at Trenton High School.

Trenton Times, March 24, 1941

Trenton Times, March 26, 1941

School Games To End Tonight

Mrs. Anna C. Potts, of Lawrenceville; Peter Dileo, of Junior High School Number Three; Miss Christine Dent, of Junior Two; Miss Mary Hannes, of Junior Four, and Miss Myrtle Hummer, principal of Parker School.

Black Team Juniors At Trenton High Score Another Victory

Junior co-eds of the Black team beat their classmates of the Red team in the second night's performance of "Sports Nite" at Central High School last night. The score was 9 to 6. The conquest enabled the "Blacks" to assume a two-point lead over the "Reds," who were victorious on Wednesday night by an 8 to 7 count.

Tonight marks the close of the seventh annual colorful attraction with the senior representatives of both squads occupying the limelight. The team having the highest point total at the end of the games will be crowned 1941 champion and also take a 4 to 3 lead in the entire series.

Last night's judges included

Trenton Times, March 28, 1941

Sports Nite Echoes

By Kitty Hurd

'It's all over! Sport Nite is just an event in the past, but a very important event! The decorations are gone, the doors between the two gymnasiums are closed, the costumes are put away, but the vivid remembrance of the tree exciting nights remains in the minds of every Trento High lassie!

Will anyone ever forget the look on Malla Brooks' face when she too the winner's banner from Dr. Spencer? And, the way the blacks all went wild when they knew they had won by a score of 26-23?

More than anyone else, will any girls forget Faye Briscoe and what a wonderful captain she was? The Red team members proved themselves all good sports and their captain's example brought admiration from every girl and spectator who attended Friday night's show.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if we were as beautiful as "Miss America" Elsie Hellus, "Miss Trenton High" "Gerry Maruska, and the flag bearers, Bette Barra and Doris Hagerman?

Sport Nite has come and gone. As for the 1941's results – congratulations. Blacks!

Spectator, April 10, 1941

College Club's Scholarships Are Awarded



Elizabeth F. Lockey



Katherine J. Hurd

Two Trenton High Sen- iors Selected By Committee

The Trenton College Club Scholarship Committee today announced the two winners for 1941.

First place went to Elizabeth Frances Lockey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lockey, of 20 Laurel Avenue.

Katherine Jane Hurd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Hurd, of 315 Berwyn Avenue, won second place.

These scholarships for \$300 each are awarded annually by the College Club. Selection is based on character, scholarship, health and leadership qualities. Both Miss Lockey and Miss Hurd are seniors at Trenton High School. Since inaugurating these awards,

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Awards Made By College Club

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the College Club has aided 46 deserving girls to higher education.

Miss Lockey, who stands second in her class, has had all A grades throughout her high school studies. She plans to major in French at either Middlebury or Syracuse. A member of the National Honor Society, her affiliations include secretary of the Pythagorean Society, treasurer of the Junior Red Cross Club, the Junior Historical Society, Service Corps, Hall Patron, secretary of the Girls' Athletic Council and Leaders Corps. She is also active in the Prospect Street Presbyterian Church, Girl Scouts and Girls Friendly.

Miss Hurd, also a member of the National Honor Society, plans to study journalism at the University of Missouri. She also stands high in her class. Her school activities include: Mistress of ceremonies at the Girls' Sport Night, president of the Junior Red Cross, president of the Girls' Leaders Corps, president of the Girls' Athletic Association, vice president of the Pythagorean Society, the Spectator staff, the Quill and Scroll Society, Junior Historical Society, the Hall Patron, Service Corps, Inter-Club Council, Euclidean Society, senior play ticket committee, senior prom refreshment committee, senior prom cleanup committee, operetta committee and Girl Scouts. She is a member of St. Paul Methodist Church.

The College Club scholarship award committee includes: Miss Margaret Williams, chairman; Miss Attilia F. Bixler, Miss Lois Dusenbury, Miss Mary Messler, Miss Alice Smithick and Miss Maude van Natta.

Red Team Members Plan Party To Reward Band

Girls who were Red Team Committee Heads during Sport Nite will honor their band with a party tonight, May 16.

"Our band deserved something," said Fay Briscoe, team captain, "for all its hard work, and some thought this would be a small way of showing our appreciation."

About thirty-five people are expected to attend the party, which will be held in the community room.

Several selections will be played by the band, led by Fred Ranieri. Request numbers such as "Stardust," "The Conga," and "I'm a Lover" will be played, Jimmy Craig, as usual, will be featured in many of the songs. Dancing, cards, checkers, chess, and other games head the list of activities which will be on this evening's program.

The party was planned by Virginia Unangst, Nancy Prendergast, and Gertrude James. Others who are assisting with the plans are Judy Bendel, Blanche Dobos, and Gloria Sorerio.

Spectator, May 16, 1941

Most Popular



Jimmy Craig and Malla Brooks were recently voted the most popular boy and girl in the senior popularity contest.

Senior Class Poll Reveals Winners

Jimmy Craig, Malla Brooks Capture Title of Most Popular Boy and Girl

With more than one hundred votes separating him from his nearest rival, Jimmy Craig walked away with the title of the most popular boy of the graduating class in the recent senior popularity contest. His closest rival was Dick Griffiths. Of the girls, Malla Brooks was voted most popular also by a wide margin over Gerry Maruska.

Jimmy and Malla took four and three first places respectively. Malla was voted prettiest girl, again eliminating Gerry Maruska and was elected the best girl athlete with Lee Helen Brenden coming in second. In the race for the most ambitious boy, Jimmy Craig topped Ferdinand Wascoe by a single vote. Jimmy also won out over Ferd as the boy most likely to succeed but by a much wider margin. In being elected the most friendly boy in the class, Jimmy Craig defeated Jimmy Mitchell, his closest rival.

Spectator, June 13, 1941

Girls' Corner

No roundup of girls' sports would be complete without mention of Sport Nite. In one of the most exciting contests in the history of the event, the Blacks defeated the Reds, 26-23, to take the lead in the annual score, 4-3.

Spectator, June 13, 1941