Ronnie strikes gold at Branch too

By Robert Bernier

"All I can say is thank you from the bottom of my heart."

Those were the words of Olympic gold medal winner Ronnie Harris after being awarded a $1,000 scholarship at a recognition assembly here last Friday in his honor.

Harris, a 20-year-old Stark Branch student, won the gold medal in the lightweight boxing division of the XIX Olympics in Mexico City. He defeated former lightweight champion Josef Grudzien of Poland for the award on October 26.

The $1,000 scholarship to Kent State University was awarded by Richard J. Kempthorn, chairman of the Stark Branch Athletic Advisory Committee.

The scholarship was made possible through contributions of the faculty, student body and the advisory committee members.

In addition to the scholarship, Harris received awards from his fraternity, Phi Delta Psi, and the Branch Health and Physical Education Club.

Approximately 550 students attended the assembly in Lecture Hall 100 while hundreds others watched it on closed circuit television in three other rooms.

A video tape provided by the ABC television network of Harris' bout for the gold medal was shown at the event.

Kent State University President Robert White was represented by John W. Bunn, the university's vice-president for business and finance. Other university officials attending were Thomas Lamb, assistant dean of university branches, and Carl E. Erickson, director of athletics.

David Seffens, president of the student body, presented Harris with a proclamation declaring November 1, 1968, Ronnie Harris Day. Seffens also read the telegrams of congratulations to Harris from President Lyndon Johnson, Governor James Rhodes and Cleveland Mayor Carl Stokes.

Harris said that he will not become a professional prizefighter but instead will "stay at Stark Branch as long as they will have me."

A reception was held after the assembly where Branch students met the Olympic champion and his family.

A luncheon for the Harris family and distinguished guests was held at Topps Chalet following the reception.

Ushers for the assembly were provided by Stark Branch Greek organizations.

A PERFECT LANDING is made by Akron-Canton Airways pilot Phil Miller on the Branch campus. It was sponsored by the Aviation Club.
Senate organizes for '68-'69 term

By John Pelton

Officers for the 1968-69 Stark Branch student senate include: Bill Hoover, president pro tempore; Florence Smilaycoff, internal secretary; Annette Bickis, parliamentarian; Mark Sokol, treasurer, and Bruce Crissinger, sergeant-at-arms.

Branch Director of Student Affairs Warner Mendenhall will serve as the body’s administrative advisor while Fred Worrell, an assistant professor of sociology here, will be the body’s faculty advisor.

The following senators will serve as senate committee officers: Paulette Blachly, Mark Sokol, Carol Keith, Robert Bernier, Annette Bickis, Jim Massie and Schelie Dando.

The senate committee for a softball field will be headed by Wayne Kuznik.

The names for a school mascot have been narrowed to Cougars, Cobras, and Golden Impalas.

A committee to find out the student body’s preference of these names is co-chaired by Pat Cooper and Vincent Reis.

Robert Bernier, Jim Massie and Mark Sokol head a senate committee to review the Organizational Guide of Student Affairs, a manual which sets guidelines for the student government.

The senate is expected to act soon on legislation to suggest to the county engineer that traffic lights be placed at both ends of Frank Road. The street is the main thoroughfare to the school and numerous accidents have occurred on the road which have involved Branch students.

Also expected to be considered by the senate is the creation of special parking areas for motorcycles driven to school by students.

The constitution of the newly formed Branch Aviation Club has been submitted to the screening committee of the senate for approval. Action is expected to be taken on it at a later time.

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Letter

Editor:

I’ve got a bone to pick with the very semi-adult students of this Branch concerning the eating facilities.

There are waste baskets and ash trays provided in both of the eating areas on the lower level. Why not use them?

It seems that many students using these facilities completely ignore all waste receptacles. They simply dump their trash on the floor and leave.

Filth is not what is being taught at Stark Branch, but you would not be able to tell it by looking at the floors in the eating areas.

Very Disgusted Student
Football final

The team captained by Dale Hurless defeated that of Ted Venet in the semi-final Branch intramural football game Oct. 27 and advanced to the championship game with Jack Wuertz’s team Nov. 3.

Combining a powerful offense and an equally powerful defense, Jack Wuertz’s team outgunned their opponents to capture the championship by a 78-6 score. Moving behind excellent blocking the champions scored mainly on the ground because both defenses seemed oriented against the pass.

A consolation game also took place between Eric Smith’s and Wayne Kuznick’s teams both of whom lost in the quarterfinals, with Eric Smith coming out on top.

Majorettes expand

Two more girls were added to the majorette line Oct. 29. They are Diana Reichman and Becky Wagner.

Carol Rowlands, a professional instructor, will advise the group in dancing and twirling routines.

The girl’s outfits will consist of a royal blue sequin leotard with white leather boots.

They will perform at the Branch’s basketball games. There are nine girls currently in the corps.

UNITY votes Sunday

UNITY Club will hold its election of officers at the club’s regular meeting this Sunday.

Nominations will be made from the floor with the voting following immediately.

A staff of 10 persons will be elected to serve on the UNITY Board.

Queen nominations begin next week

Stark Branch’s 1968-69 Basketball Homecoming will be January 25, according to Bob Sullivan, coordinator for the event.

All students wishing to nominate candidates for Homecoming queen may do so November 11-20. Nomination forms are available in the main lobby.

All Branch girls who are students in good standing are eligible for nomination.

The student body will narrow the number of queen candidates to ten

Play casts announced for shows

For the next four weeks, a group of Branch students will be busy memorizing lines and rehearsing as they prepare for the fall production of University Theatre.

The December 6 and 7 bill includes two plays: The Wings of the Soul by Nicholas Yevreinov and No Exit by Jean-Paul Sartre.

As announced recently by Denny Bettisworth, a speech and drama instructor, the cast of The Wings of the Soul includes: Robyn Dorn, Cyndee Frailly, Dana Guerriere, Judy Grimes, Babette Rukvina, Jane Jenkins, Kathy Seibert, Rae Wilson, Judy Tadsen, Sue Moriarty, Mike Chanek, Charles Thompson, Bill Schaefer, Anthony Willis and Cynthia James.

Cast members for No Exit are: Mary Bluman, M. Cathy Smith, Shari Winston and Robert Freeman.

Student director for the fall shows will be Robyn Dorn.

Choreography will be handled by Cyndee Frailly.

HPE Club grids for coming season

The Stark Branch Health and Physical Education Club met Tuesday night, October 29. Thirteen were present for the first meeting.

Newly elected officers are Yogi Seipich, president; Kathy Brinkerhoff, vice-president; Charlotte Hinkle, secretary and Yolanda Kassay, treasurer.

The club is in its second year of operation and is open to anyone that cares to join.

Robert Kistler, athletic director, is the advisor for the group.

The club is in charge of printing and selling tickets and programs for the basketball games. They are also considering selling refreshments at these games.

Mr. Kistler said, "In the near future, plans are being made to organize girls intramural sports."

Unity Club votes Sunday

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A COED at Stark Branch last year and now the current Miss Ohio, Les- lyn Hiple will be returning to the Branch for the winter quarter. 
Majoring in biology, Les plans to get her master's degree at either Kent State or the University of Fla. 
She also will serve as a majorette at a few of the basketball games this season.

REIGNING AS OHIO'S APPLE QUEEN is Stark Branch freshman Linda Tatka. 
Chosen by the Ohio Apple Institute Linda will represent Ohio's apple industry for the next year. She began her reign as hostess during the Apple Show at the Canton Central Plaza and at Mellett Mall last week.

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