New editor announced

Next year's Montage editor will be Nancy Weber, according to Glenn Himebaugh, newspaper advisor and Branch information director.

Miss Weber, who will be a sophomore, served this year as a reporter for the paper.

A 1968 graduate of North Canton Hoover High School, she held various positions on that school's newspaper.

Sigler inherits SOFT chairmanship

By Mike Ebert

SOFT campaign chairman David M. Seffens is turning over his duties to Student Body President Jeff Sigler.

The campaign, designed to gain support from voters to get money for expansion for the Stark Branch from the state, is a dormant period awaiting news from the state capitol.

Seffens said the success of the move won't be known until state allocation bills are passed.

He said that not many people had become involved in the letter-to-news-paper phase of the campaign.

In fact, there reportedly has been only one letter printed, that being in the Akron Beacon Journal.

Some 2,000 bumper stickers sent out to students have been called a success by Seffens. He said although these weren't seen on most cars in the street, they weren't expected to be.

The group's plan to go on to Columbus to stir up legislative support is, according to Seffens, tabled, awaiting news of response from state legislators.

Construction begins on softball field

Construction has begun on the student senate-approved softball field south-east of the Cedar Chest Theatre.

The portable link-fence backstop has been erected and grading operations on the field are expected to begin soon.

A regulation pitcher's mound and bases will be added later.

Money for the new facility was provided by the student senate. Ex-Senators Mark Sokol and Wayne Kuznik sponsored the necessary legislation to allocate funds for the project.

A summer intramural softball league has been set up and currently consists of five teams. Students interested in joining the league may sign up at the information desk in the main lobby.

According to Robert Kistler, health and physical education coordinator here, the league will be continued through fall quarter.

He said that no plans are being made for the offering of softball as an accredited HPE course due to difficulties in grading a team sport.

RAIN temporarily halted construction on the portable softball field backstop last week although the facility is scheduled to be completed soon.
Aultman nurses coming in Fall

By Bob Bernier

About 80 to 85 first year students of the Aultman Hospital School of Nursing are expected to take courses at the Stark Branch next year, according to Branch Director Jack Morehart.

The group will almost triple the cooperative nursing program here. First year students of the Massillon School of Nursing have taken courses here for one year.

The Aultman School had been working with Malone College in a cooperative program.

The director of the School of Nursing at Aultman Hospital, Mrs. Barbara Donahoe, said the reason for the change was a financial one. Malone's tuition will increase next year to $42 per semester hour.

Mrs. Donahoe said the change will allow the students to take more courses than they are now able to take at Malone.

The students will take additional course work in chemistry, freshman English and nutrition.

Mrs. Donahoe said additional meetings with Director Morehart will be necessary before the arrangements are complete.

Mrs. Donahoe said she had not had a meeting yet with Miss Barbara Mertes, director of the School of Nursing at Massillon City Hospital, but that she expected to meet with her in the near future to discuss cooperative efforts in time and curriculum.

Miss Donahoe said the nurses would probably be bussed to the Branch.

Summer sign-up slated for June 6-7

"Registration on June 6 and 7 will determine which classes will be cancelled," said Lee A. Brubaker, assistant director for administrative services.

Registration hours are 1:30-4:40 and 6:00-8:00 on June 6 and 9:00-12:00 on June 7.

The treasurer's office from campus will be here on these dates and students may pay in cash as well as by check or money order.

"Since classes will be cancelled on the basis of how many are enrolled on June 6 and 7, there should be few people registering on June 13 and July 24 at late registration," Brubaker added.

Hours for late registration on June 13 are 9:00-12:00 and 2:00-5:00.

Late registration hours July 24 are 1:30-4:40 at which only second summer session courses will be open.

A $5 late registration fee is added to regular fees at the late registrations. Payment of fees at the late dates is by check or money order only.

"We are offering a 36 percent increase in summer session courses and expect the largest summer enrollment ever," Brubaker added.

No specific class schedule of registration order is listed because less students attend summer school than other quarter sessions.

"Students can come at least halfway through the registration times and still get their classes. Doing this will reduce a long wait in line," Brubaker concluded.

Orientation planned

Plans are now being made for Freshman Orientation which will probably be held the second or third week of September.

Students who signed up to help during Orientation can find out Monday what committee they will be working on. According to Orientation Board Chairman Bill Bernier, the names will be posted outside Room 216.

Subcommittee chairmen are Nancy Harold, social; Joseph Skvarenina, academic, and Flo Smilayoff, student organization.

All committees will be working with William Casto.

New offices scheduled

Bids are being accepted by the University for the partitioning of Rooms 103, 112, 447 and 448, according to Dale Wearsler, assistant director for business affairs.

The rooms will become offices for student affairs (103), business affairs (112) and faculty (447 and 448).

The office of academic affairs will move from 112 to 107 this summer.

PDP painters

Fifteen Phi Delta Psi Fraternity acitives and pledges painted the lower level lounge May 18. The members donated their time for the five-hour job.

Ten gallons of blue and gold paint were provided by the University.

The fraternity had contacted Building Superintendent John Sokol concerning the possible projects the group could undertake for the betterment of the school. Sokol suggested they paint the lounge.

Phi Delta Psi is planning to help clear land for a park near the Cedar Chest Theatre.

Senate requests float helpers

The Stark Branch will enter a float in the Pro Football Hall of Fame Parade September 12.

The float will have as its theme "Pro Football Is."

Students interested in working on the float during the summer months or submitting designs should contact Senators Jim Jackson or Robert Bernier.

The student senate made the decision to enter the float at its last meeting. Development and investigation of the project was handled by the Senate Communications Committee under chairman Jackson.

The project will be placed in an ad hoc committee under Bernier for construction this summer.

Construction will begin as soon as possible after the adoption of a design for the float, according to Senator Bernier.
SAC announces events for Fall

By Nancy Weber

Six cultural artists, six movies and three dances are being planned by the Student Activities Council for next year.

Gerald Goodman, troubadour harpist, and comedian Dick Gregory have been contracted to appear fall quarter. Mr. Goodman will be appearing for the third year at the Branch.

During Winter Quarter, the Amy Kemp Trio, a well-known nightclub trio, is scheduled to perform. Frank Mankiewicz, the late Senator Robert Kennedy's press secretary, is to speak during the quarter.

Famed poet and literary critic for the Saturday Review, John Ciardi, and the Four Freshmen, a singing group, are expected to appear Spring Quarter.

All the performances will be in Room 100 and will be free to Branch students.

Two movies per quarter tracing movie development are scheduled. Stars such as Laurel and Hardy, Buster Keeton, W. C. Fields, Tom Mix and Charlie Chaplin will be featured.

Silent movies Trip to the Moon, 1902, and The Great Train Robbery, 1903, will be shown. One of the first animated cartoons, Gertie the Dinosaur, 1909, will also be shown.

A dance will be held each quarter featuring a local rock group and refreshments.

Casto joins student affairs staff

Rev. William H. Casto Jr., director of Interfaith Campus Ministry, will move to a new post at Stark Branch on July 1.

The announcement which came today from the Kent State University Board of Trustees, named him as coordinator of group affairs at Stark Branch.

Mr. Casto, who served in his prior capacity since last July 1, will work with Robert Pfendler, assistant director for student relations.

His prime responsibility will be the development of a program of co-curricular activities to involve a large group of students at Stark Branch.

Looking toward his new post, Mr. Casto said, "The basic philosophy of Interfaith Campus Ministry has been to develop the potentials of the university to create sensitive concerned individuals, and that is the basic philosophy of a co-curricular program as well."

"Therefore," he continued, "I am making the change in order to be able to continue to make contributions which will make the university a more humanizing institution."

Interfaith Campus Ministry, which in not a university organization but instead is independently operated and financed by local religious bodies, is seeking a replacement for Mr. Casto.

Pass-fail grade system gets OK

A system of pass-fail grades for a limited number of courses will begin at the Stark County Branch fall quarter, according to Lee A. Brubaker, assistant director for administrative services.

The Daily Kent Stater reported the pass-fail program will operate in the following way on main campus.

All students choosing the pass-fail option must be in good academic standing and may take only one course per quarter to be graded this way.

A maximum of 48 hours graded as pass-fail can be applied toward graduation.

Freshman English and courses in a student's major are automatically excluded from this option. Courses in a student's minor also may be excluded by his college dean.

Students will receive a letter grade from their instructor which will be changed to pass or fail when grades are issued. Pass-fail credits will not be used in computing grade point averages.

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"The Pinkerton Stripes" playing Fridays and Saturdays in June.
"Would like to do it at Stark."

By Bob George

Craig Kessler, the sports whiz from Oakwood High School, recently announced that he will be coming to the Branch next year.

Kessler turned down offers for football scholarships from Michigan State University, Ashland College and Morehead State University because, in his father's words, "Craig wants to find himself and he would like to do it at the Stark County Branch."

At 6' 1-1/2" and 200 pounds, he played varsity football at Glenwood his sophomore year and continued at Oakwood where he lettered his junior and senior years as a halfback and linebacker. He was named to the All-Federal league team his senior year.

Kessler explained that he liked basketball more than football. He proved his worth as MVP at Oakwood by receiving honorable mentions on the All-County and All-Northeastern Ohio teams. He was Oakwood's top scorer and rebounder.

Track gave Kessler his third letter this year as he led his team in scoring by running the low and high hurdles and throwing the shot put. He won the low hurdles and took second in the highs in the Federal League meet.

Kessler would like to major in physical education and enter the coaching profession.

Netters close season

Stark Branch's state champion tennis team closed its season with a convincing 11-0 victory over Lake-land Community College last Thursday.

Taking singles wins in the contest were Barb Beattie, Carol Endres, Bruce Ingold, Dave Kent, Ed McKee, Dave Snyder and Dave Cain.

Doubles winners include Cain-McKee and Kent-Snyder.

The matches were held at Branhaven tennis courts which served as the home courts for this year's Cobra squad.

"Ouch!" was a comment from the Stark Branch track team at the announcement of the final score of the triangular meet between Stark, Cuyahoga Community College and Malone on May 20. The score was Malone, 88; Cuyahoga, 83; and Stark, 7.

The competition was the best of the season and so were the times as Stark's only points came from a second in the shot put by Gary Christy, a second in the discus by Roger McClure and a fourth in the mile by Terry Byers.

New school records were set by Terry Byers, 4:56.4 in the mile; Butch Geasman, 2:18.7 in the half mile; Dan Armentano, 56.1 in the 440 and 19' 9" in the long jump; Jeff Sigler, 10.8 in 100 yd. dash; Bob George, 25.0 in 220 yd. dash; Roger McClure, 113' 6-1/2" in the discus and 114' 10" in the javelin.

The Stark golf team ended its season on a bright note May 21 when it downed Lakeland Community College 17-8. Ange Spitale took medalist honors with a 71 followed by Bob Jones' 74.

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DELAYED PAYMENT PLAN AVAILABLE
Senate review shows legislators spent busy year here

The second annual student senate of Stark Branch will close soon. The following is a list of the senators, the legislation passed and the date each senator took office.

Flo Smilaycoff - 11/9/67, Senate Secretary.

Annette Bickis - 11/9/67, Senate Parliamentarian. Sponsord bills to purchase two volumes of Robert's Rules of Order, to purchase holiday decorations and to establish a definite criterion for the recognition of Stark Branch organizations. Sponsord a resolution to make the student body more aware of the regulations and penalties set in the Student Organizations Guide.

Schelie Dando - 1/7/68, Co-sponsored bills to define excused and unexcused absences of senators with Cooper, to have student senate business material placed in the library with Bernier, to place a memorial plaque on display case purchased in memory of Ann Manello with Bernier. Sponsord resolution to maintain a quiet atmosphere in the library.

Robert Bernier - 5/18/68, President Pro Tempore. Sponsord bills to establish the consumption of 3.2 beer on campus, to allocate money for the purchase of an award for the most valuable player on the basketball team, to create a seal for student government and to allocate money for the purchase of a watch for Vice-President Joe Skvarenina. Sponsord resolutions to prohibit firearms at Stark Branch, to commend ex-Vice-President Bill Eaglowski, to preserve the growth and development of Stark Branch, to commend the Branch athletic program, to support Operation SOFT, to investigate the vending service at Stark and to create a parking area for motorcycles. Co-sponsored a resolution to establish a committee to form a TV room with Sigler. Sponsord constitutional amendments to provide advise and consent of the senate on appointments and to combine the funds of the executive and senate branches.

Pat Cooper - 5/25/68.

Paulette Blachly - 10/27/68.

Bruce Crissinger - 10/27/68, Sergeant at Arms.

Tim Kauffman - 10/27/68, co-sponsored bill to install traffic signal lights at intersection of Frank and Portage Rds. - with Massie.

Carol Keith - 10/27/68, sponsored bill to allocate money for purchase of awards for assistant coaches of basketball team. Sponsord resolution to establish better library hours. Co-sponsored bill to commend Bill Eaglowski - with Bernier.

Jim Massie - 10/27/68, sponsored bill to install traffic signals at intersection of Frank and Everhard Rds. Co-sponsored bill Frank-Portage signals - with Kauffman.

Ron Sigrist - 10/27/68, sponsored bill to establish fund to honor deceased students. Co-sponsored resolution to make the administration and student body aware of the senate's opposition to the vandalism of school property - with Sokol.

Ellen Whiting - 10/27/68.

Jim Jackson - 2/3/68.

Paul Schott - 2/14/69.

John Hays - 4/21/69.

William Hoover - 5/18/69, former president pro tempore. Sponsord resolutions to establish better publicity through area mass media, to state the opinions of the students of Stark Branch"against University College," and to establish the distribution of 3.2 beer on campus. Resigned 1/12/69.

Richard Furguson - 10/27/68, resigned.

Wayne Kuznik - 10/27/68, co-sponsored bills to allocate money to erect a temporary softball field - with Sokol, and to purchase three bases and a home plate for the field - with Sokol. Resigned.

Vincent Reis - 10/27/68, resigned.

Jeff Sigler - 10/27/68. Elected student body president 5/8/69.

Joe Skvarenina - 10/27/68, ex-president pro tempore, succeeded to the vice-presidency 2/2/69.

Mark Sokol - 10/27/68, Senate Treasurer. Sponsord bill to allocate $100 to Ronnie Harris Scholarship Fund. Resigned.

Richard Zengler - 10/27/68, resigned.


Clubs to merge

The Polemician Society and the Political Science Forum will hold a meeting May 31 to vote on a possible merger. The programs of both clubs are similar. Membership has been scarce and attendance has been lacking.

Opinions vary on the proposed merger.

Former president of the Political Science Forum Bill Bernier said, "They should merge into one individual club. It would have more to offer, giving students an opportunity to investigate and learn."

"This merger should make a stronger club since they have something good to offer the school and should not die," Bernier added.
A story on Father Time began it and a reminiscence of Senator Robert Kennedy concludes it. In between are 210 photographs, 341 stories and 126 pages comprising the 27 issues of Montage, '68-'69.

For Stark Branch, it was the year of the Seffens, the beer, the gold medal, the so-called "Heads and Straights", the championships, the SOFT, the queens, and more.

From our past issues:

**October 4** - Freshman Ted "Father Time" Byers begins his day and night vigil to keep the K-fire burning longer than last year's 31 days; a senate resolution prohibits firearms on campus; Bob Kistler is appointed basketball coach.

**October 11** - Branch students protest George Wallace campaign speech in Canton; Hotline is installed to Student Body President David Seffens' office.

**October 18** - Seffens, police react to incidents in lower level involving confrontations between students and non-students.

**October 25** - Stark gets a verbal guarantee from state government that the school will receive building money if Issue One passes.

**November 1** - Brancher Ronnie Harris wins Olympic gold medal in boxing; John Gilligan speaks here.

**November 8** - Flying Club week highlighted by landing of airplane on campus.

**November 15** - Cage squad begins state championship season.

**November 22** - Senate passes resolution to permit consumption of 3.2 beer at special events.

**December 6** - Nineteen girls run for Homecoming crown; senate chooses Cobra nickname.

**January 10** - Speaker Julian Bond fails to show for lecture here.

**January 17** - Cobras clinch a berth in state branch campus basketball tournament.

**January 24** - State legislature proposes to abolish state university branches.

**January 31** - Above proposal withdrawn because of violent opposition.

**February 7** - Governor Rhodes claims Stark will be a four-year college by 1971.

**February 14** - Cobras sweep basketball tournament.

February 21 - Columnist Tom Braden predicts campus war will end.

February 28 - Trustees late in acting on beer resolution.

March 7 - Bettisworth triplets' first showing to the student body.

April 4 - Stark delegation campaigns for more state funds in Columbus.

April 11 - 300 students demonstrate here for SOFT, a program to show support for increased funds for buildings.

April 18 - SOFT leaders say they will take campaign to Columbus.

April 25 - O'Tannenbaum memorial stolen.

May 2 - Student government elections.

May 9 - Sigler wins presidency. Huegel wins vice-presidency.

May 16 - Beer resolution approved by university.

May 23 - Freshman Diana Young is crowned Pro Football Hall of Fame queen.

Montage editors would like to thank the news staff for its efforts this past year.
God's gift to man she seems to be:

And these Holy Signs . . .

May 29, 1969

Poetry

By Peter Huegel
God gave her Eden's green
for her eyes;
Their gaze to be a man's earthly
journey to paradise.
To her He gave beauty of voice to
sing,
To sing of the happiness she, to some
man could bring.
God granted her lips to whisper her
love
A love for a man; a love so perfect
it came from above.
He gave her a will for choices to make.
Choices so lasting as what man will
take.
God gave her all this and more,
That a man could love, and cherish
and adore.

THE STRUGGLE
I strive to reach the glistening
castle walls
And search the world for my Infinity
But the rope burns and parts
And I look helplessly upon the
streets of glass houses
– That bind me in.
But my sun is sinking slowly
And the night is drawing near
While those I know
Appear as smears of crayoned faces
– In a young babe's coloring book.
Though I speak with power and in-
fluence
My words echo in a deep chasm
And I grope past paper handclasp.
Toward a grip of Iron.
And I aimlessly step down stairs and
up
Tripping, sprawling and cutting
myself
As a familiar faced image laughs
mockingly
And expends all its energy thusly.
– And these Holy Signs . . .

By Ralph Lacki

Branch sophomore Leni Smith won the Grand Prize in the adult
division of the Stark County Poetry Writing Contest with the fol-
lowing poem. The annual contest was sponsored by the Canton
Poetry Society. Attorney and poet Ralph L. Kinsey of Navarre
served as judge of the contest.

i wrote a poem and SOCIETY
SHRUGGED WITH INDIFFERENCE

A Puerto Rican friend
someday hopes to enter the uni-
versity.
He is without funds.
Endlessly he searches for a job.
“He's too dumb,” they all say
But no one bothers to teach him
English so he stumbles and
continues to stumble
As society shrugs with indifference.
Another friend of mine
recently
Progressed from grass to heroine.
I WANT to help him;
I ask HOW
But society

only shrugs with indifference.
And then there is the war.
What can I say about the
war?

WHATEVER I say,
SOCIETY ONLY SHRUGS with
indifference.
The starving Biafrans –
There is not now much hope for
them now
But they kept
feeding the birds,
and grooming their dogs
and declawing their cats
and shrugging with indifference.
Books by Band, Greggory, Malamud
Poems by Yevtushenko, Kannon,
Musicals like "Hair"

Bewildered, I question

What am I to think of these
in what way should I be influenced?

The reply
A shrug of indifference.
With the passing of the Christmas
season

Miss Smith

Society unwrapped its hippocratic
air of gaiety and festivity
Although I found the real message in
"Charlie Brown's Christmas"
The rest of society
watched channel 3
And flippantly shrugged with
INDIFFERENCE
I see all of these happenings
And finally question to society:

How can you be like this?
How can you stand by and do
Nothing?
How can you NOT THINK?
And society, ONLY SHRUGS WITH
INDIFFERENCE
By Bill Wallace

"Looking back now, the one thing that really impressed me about him was his fierce competitiveness - he carried that on throughout his life."

These words were spoken about the late Senator Robert F. Kennedy by Thomas Healey, a night student here and teacher - head basketball coach at Northwest High School in Canal Fulton.

Healey and Senator Kennedy were shipmates together in the Navy at the close of World War II aboard the destroyer Joseph P. Kennedy Jr. (named after Senator Kennedy's oldest brother who was killed when his plane was shot down earlier in the war.)

"He was a fierce competitor," recalls Healey. "Even when we pulled into dock and played touch football, he was always striving to better himself. Some of those touch football games were knock-down, drag-out affairs, too. I remember one big guy he played against who was really tough. Bobby would never complain, though."

Healey speaks of Kennedy's shyness: "He impressed me as a very shy person; not outgoing on board ship, but he did make friends easily."
The ex-sailor also recalls a night he and Kennedy talked together for more than an hour.

"I did most of the talking. Bobby was basically more interested in the war in the Pacific than what was happening in the Atlantic. The ship I was on at the time John's (former President Kennedy's PT 109) PT boat was run down was in the same general area in the Solomon Islands."

"Bobby asked me of the terrain of the islands, the experiences I had there, how the suicide planes came in on you - he was always looking for facts."

When asked if Kennedy was dedicated, Healey responded, "He was very dedicated. He quit officer's training to come aboard his brother's ship as a Seaman 1st Class, and was bothered when he missed the action."

And as for wealth, he never made a show of it. He was more or less just one of the boys."

"He never talked about politics or his political feelings. In fact, the only time I ever saw him before the public's eye while he was on board the ship was when his father came on board right after Bobby had signed on. Of course, the newsreels were there," said Healey.

After parting from the ship, Healey and Senator Kennedy kept a loose relationship going through letters. When John Kennedy fell to an assassin's bullets, Healey wrote Bobby a letter of sympathy. Healey received the following return letter (see photo below):

"Dear Tom,

We are deeply touched by your thoughtfulness in letting us know that you share in our sorrow. We are consoled by the knowledge that the love he gave is returned in full measure.

Robert & Ethel Kennedy

There is also a P.S.:

"My appreciation for your letter -Bob"

Healey said he has read everything written by and about Senator Robert Kennedy that he could find. He was closely following his campaign up until that fateful day June 6, when an assassin's bullets rang out, killing his wartime friend.