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Honor Fete Scheduled Tuesday

Psychology Award To Be Inaugurated

The Honors Convocation, scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Gymnasium, will be the scene of the first presentation of the newly instigated Applied Psychology award.

The award, a small engraved plaque, will be presented by the faculty of the Psychology department to its outstanding graduating student who will receive a seven-volume series of "Psychology, a Study of Science" by Sigmund Koch.

"We plan for this to be an annual award," Dr. E. R. Thomas, professor of psychology said, "in hopes that it will stimulate interest and scholarship among the students."

A larger plaque will be installed in the hall of the Psychology building and the names of the department's award students will be added each year, he said.

Academic Procession

The annual spring Honors Convocation will open with the traditional formal academic procession of the faculty and seniors in caps and gowns.

In addition to the Psychology award, four other annual awards will be presented to seniors for outstanding achievements.

Gold keys will be awarded for scholarship, leadership and art achievement. Seniors eligible for the leadership key are nominated by the Executive Council of the Student Government Association; those for the art achievement key, by the directors of the art departments. Final choice of recipients is handled by the Honors Awards

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Psych Major Third In Graduating Class

By James F. Lawler

A Psychology major and the mother of three children is RPI's third highest academic graduate for 1962.

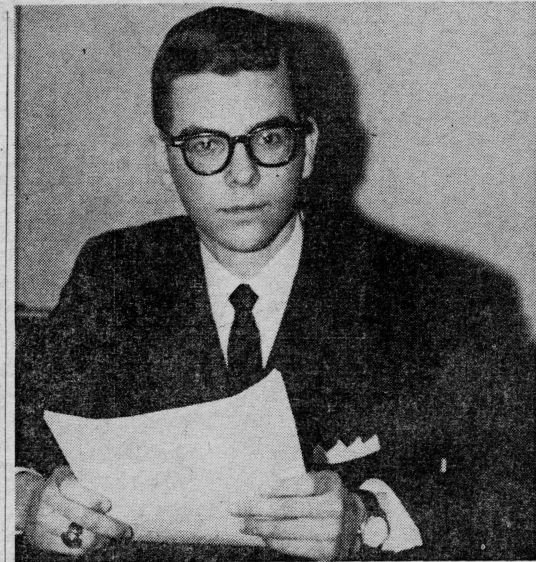
Mrs. Merle D. Martin, who will be graduated in June with a 2.5 average, has the highest average in the Psychology Department and the third highest average among the school's 322 graduating seniors.

As the third ranking scholar, Mrs. Martin has earned two-thirds A's in her major and has received only two C's in her college career. One of the C's which Mrs. Martin received came while she was a student at William and Mary in Williamsburg. She and her husband, George Martin, attended the Williamsburg school for two years prior to their marriage.

Married for 13 Years

Thirteen years of marriage and three children separate the termination of Mrs. Martin's college days at William and Mary and her graduation here.

Mrs. Martin, whose daughter is 11 and whose sons are 10 and eight, began her studies here after her children started to school.



—Kegley Photo

Richard Duffner Is Speaker of House
Lynchburg Business Major Was Elected Last Week

Senior Elections

Jenkins and Whitehead Running for President

By Larry E. Prentice

Everett Jenkins, 26, a Retailing major, and Dick Whitehead, a 22-year-old Advertising major, are competing for the presidency of the Class of 1963.

The two juniors represent the only contention in the race of leaders for next year's senior class. Voting will be held Monday through Wednesday of next week.

Carolyn Williams, an Art Education major is bidding uncontested for the office of vice president; Jennie Morrison, Social Welfare, for secretary; Dee Dee Bishop, Fashion Illustration,

treasurer, and Barbara Jenks, Commercial Art, Student Government representative.

Whitehead, from Roanoke, said he will try to knit closer the bond between the alumni and the student body if elected.

More Interest

"I would like to see the school gain public recognition and build its prestige," he said. "If this could be done and if the student body would take more interest in things concerning them on local, state, and national levels, I feel that spirit among students would be increased," Whitehead said.

President of the German Club, Whitehead also served as treasurer of the Student Government Association during his Sophomore year.

Jenkins served for five years in the Air Force before coming to RPI in 1960. Married and the father of two children, he is president of the Young Republicans

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SGA Approves New Constitution; System Altered

RPI student government is operating under a new constitution.

Effective immediately, the new document was adopted last week by unanimous vote of the old Student Council—which thereby voted itself out of existence—and the transition to the new governmental machinery began at that time.

The old Student Council became known as the House of Representatives, and it elected as interim speaker Richard Duffner, a junior Business major.

Duffner, who will preside over meetings of the House, will serve until new officers of the Student Government Association are sworn at the annual spring Honors convocation Tuesday. The new president of the SGA can then call for the election of another speaker if he wishes.

The new constitution provides for a Student Congress including, besides the House, a Senate and an Honor Court.

New Senate

The Senate will be composed of the officers of SGA, the presidents of the four classes and the SGA representative of each class, which totals 12 members. The SGA officers will be non-voting members of the Senate with the exception of the vice president, who presides and may vote to break a tie. The Senate is in charge of all matters pertaining to social activities on campus and of SGA scholarships. It also provides a freshman advisory board.

All organizations are represented in the House except the classes. The House supervises campus elections and originates amendments to the Constitution. At the beginning of each school year the House will elect a speaker.

The Honor Court is composed of SGA officers, the president and vice presidents of the three upper classes and the senators. The court is self-governing.

The duties of the SGA president include chairmanship of the Dance Club and the Honor Court.

The President must sign or veto all measures passed by the House and Senate. The House may originate an attempt to override the veto. To override, a two-thirds vote is necessary in each house.

The SGA secretary takes the minutes for all three branches of government. The treasurer is chairman of the Senate Finance committee and of the Scholarship committee.

To become effective, measures passed by one house must be passed by the other.

New Plans Are Studied For Annual

As the 1962 Cobblestone goes to press, the Student Government Association is attempting to find a more efficient system to organize further annual staffs.

An SGA committee headed by Sandy Marks is setting up a screening board which will either select students for the staff positions or nominate students who will be chosen on an SGA ballot by the student body.

The proposed screening committee will be composed of students and teachers from the Commercial Art, English and possibly the Journalism departments as well as the present staff of the Cobblestone.

It will determine student qualifications prerequisite for staff positions, set-up an applications campaign, select Cobblestone sponsor and future organization of the publication.

The 1962 yearbook, edited by Susan Pennington, is a nine-inch by twelve-inch book of 200 pages and features a contemporary layout. A 25-page introduction utilizing a two-color process in its layout leads into the class features, organizations, sports and advertising sections.

A mustard yellow background with a design and lettering in a rust shade completes the hard-back front cover. The cover was designed by the Jahn and Ollier Publishing Company of Chicago.

The Cobblestone, 1962 edition, cost an estimated \$13,376 which was drawn from the full-time student's tuition. Each full-time student will receive his pre-paid annual probably near the end of May, said editor Susan Pennington.



SPRING CONCERT—Mr. Edward Mirr (center) conducts the RPI concert band. Last Tuesday the band played music from "The King and I," among other selections, in an open-air performance on the Shafer Street Court.

Spring Madness

The recent automobile accident which killed five Duke University coeds en route home after a spring vacation trip to Florida was, by any standard, a most sobering and thought-provoking occurrence.

The Duke students, all seniors, were killed near Jacksonville when the car in which they were traveling skidded on wet pavement and struck two semi-trailer trucks. This accident was one of several which occurred during the soon to end spring vacation period.

These wrecks brought death to many students. There were injuries to countless others, including the son of a faculty member of the RPI School of Distribution. A Washington area newspaper on Monday attributed six deaths and 14 injuries to the Florida trek on just one week end.

While it is only fair to note that the percentage of students injured on such trips is minute, the accidents serve to point up the deadliest aspect of this spring madness—that these long trips are made under sometimes extremely trying conditions, which greatly increases the hazard.

The trips, which bring students to Florida from across the entire United States, are not only dangerous because of their length, but they entail the additional hazard of requiring students to travel over numerous unknown roads, often at night.

These are facts, we feel, which are sometimes lightly dismissed as students eagerly undertake their spring sojourn in Florida.

The automobile accidents and last year's riots at Fort Lauderdale should make one thing clear to students—the utmost degree of care and judgment should be exercised in planning future trips.

Josh White Concert

ED. NOTE—The following is an editorial reprinted from Monday's Richmond News-Leader. It is based on the Josh White concert sponsored by the Student Government Association last Saturday night.

Several weeks ago—it happened to be the first Sunday of Lent—we found ourselves in a distant city when the church hour rolled around. The sermon that morning turned out to be, "The Role of the UN in a Changing World," and though the minister worked from a biblical text and wove in a little scripture here and there, his sermon might have been delivered by Hubert Humphrey on the floor of the Senate.

We thought about the geopolitical parson this past Saturday evening, when we went around to Richmond Professional Institute to hear a program by the Negro folk singer, Josh White. The lead-off man on his show was a comedian, or so he identified himself, by the name of Murray Roman.

"I'm Jewish," cried the gentleman, flinging out his arms. "I'm Jewish!" If he said it once, he said it 25 times. "Look at me: 'I'm Jewish!' Then he began working on Josh White: "He's a Negro." He reminded the audience that "the whole world hates us"—by "us" he meant the United States. He carped on the segregated eating facilities along Route One. He said it was pretty tough for Josh White to present a program in the South. Then he told a couple of homosexual stories, and went back to his theme: He was going to stick up for Josh White, a Negro, because "he's my first line of defense—if they get him, I'm next! I'm Jewish!" And White himself, not to be outdone, managed to work the integration bit into a couple of ballads.

This is entertainment? Not in our book; not any more than a speech about the UN is a Lenten sermon. The several hundred students and townsfolk who paid \$2 apiece to hear White had come to the RPI gymnasium with no thought of race or religion; they had come simply to be entertained—to have a pleasant evening. White is one of the most skilled guitarists now performing in America; he is a superb ballad singer, and the bass fiddle player who accompanied him Saturday evening was right in his class. Why this compulsion to rub an open sore? Why deliberately inflame a slowly healing wound?

If a doctor, in the midst of treating a patient, were to deliver a spiel against the King-Anderson bill, the patient would be rightfully annoyed. If Willie Mays were to lug a microphone to home plate, and hold up the ball game for an address on racial discrimination, the fans would boo him off the field. Why can't parsons stick to preaching, and guitarists to making music, and comedians to being funny?



"I'm thinking of letting my hair grow out"

Ruth Worth, OT Major

Coed Was Resident of Congo

By Alberta Lindsey

What's it like to grow up in the Belgian Congo?

"It's quite an experience," says Ruth Worth, a junior Occupational Therapy major from Wilmington, N. C.

Ruth, whose parents are Presbyterian missionaries, was born and reared in Belgian Congo. "Every fifth year, we were required to return to the United States for a year, and three years ago we came back so I could attend college here," said Ruth.

She lived on a station called Mutoto, which is located in the central part of the Congo. "A station," Ruth explained, "is composed of five or six missionary families. Each station has its own church, hospital and school."

Ruth attended the American missionary school in Mutoto. There were six students in her class, and "this was one of the largest classes in the school," she added with a laugh. The school's total enrollment was about 50.

"Very Friendly"

The Congolese are rather primitive compared with the people here, Ruth said, "but at the same time they were very friendly. They live pretty much in the bush."

Conversing with the natives was not hard. "By growing up in the Congo, I learned their language," she said. "But I have forgotten most of it now."

Flying ants, goat meat and milk, and crocodile meat were part of Ruth's everyday menu. The ants are either caught and eaten as they come out of the ground or they are fried she said.

"We found a man's coat in the stomach of a crocodile which my father killed," said Ruth. "We fried the crocodile meat like chicken and it was very good."

"The natives also eat a rather heavy kind of bread," she continued. "It's very thick and after a while it begins to feel like lead in your stomach."

Witch Doctors Are Problem

Witch doctors were one of the worst problems the missionaries have to battle. The people preferred the witch doctors to our doctors, Ruth said. "They often asked the witch doctors to put a curse on someone they didn't like."

The natives believe when a member of their family dies he will come back and haunt the rest of the family, Ruth said. Because of this belief they would put food inside a tiny spirit house. "One of the mission families said it saw the witch doctor take the food from a spirit house. But this is just one case and I don't know if the witch doctor takes the food every time."

A poison cup and a tshisanjo are among the souvenirs which Ruth brought back with her. The poison



Ruth Worth
Lived in Congo

cup, she explained, is used at a trial. An accused person is given the cup of poison, which is made from the sap of a tree, and if he is guilty the poison will kill him. If he is innocent, the poison does not harm him. The tshisanjo is a musical instrument that is used at dances.

Ruth, who spent her freshman year at King College in Bristol, Tenn., does not plan to go into the mission field. "I want to do something in O.T., but I haven't decided just what," she added.

Mrs. Washer Gets B'nai B'rith Award

Mrs. Louis Washer Jr., associate professor of Recreational Leadership and chairman of the School of Applied Social Science, received the 11th annual civic award of the Richmond lodge of B'nai B'rith last Sunday at a dinner at Hotel Richmond.

The award is presented to a Richmond resident who has made "an outstanding and worthwhile contribution to the community."

Mrs. Washer, who is also associate professor of Social Work, has been active in recreational affairs in the area since 1937.

The award, an engraved silver tray, was presented at a dinner following the installation of Lodge officers.

Leaders Needed

Students who would like to be group leaders during Orientation week next fall should leave their names with Mrs. Simms in the Student Personnel office. Applicants are preferred to be rising juniors and seniors, but a few sophomores may be selected.

Seniors' Art Show

Jane Smart, Ysella Perea and Irene Clover, Art Education seniors, will have works on display in the Fine Arts gallery in the Gymnasium Monday.

The exhibit, including paintings, sculpture and prints, will continue through May 4.

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Jimmy Jones, Former Green Devil Second Baseman, Swings Action Occurred During the RPI Hampden-Sydney

—Murphy Photo

Green Devil Baseball Team Plays Norfolk Today, Frederick Tuesday

Catcher C. G. Grizzard collected a single, two doubles and a home run Wednesday to pace RPI to an 11-inning 7-6 win over Lynchburg. It was the Green Devil's first win of the season. Butch Woolsten and Paul Stafford pitched eight innings of shutout ball in relief for the Green Devils.

The Green Devils will go after their second Little Eight win tomorrow afternoon when they travel to Norfolk to play Norfolk William and Mary.

RPI's baseball team will attempt to win its second game of the young season today as the Green Devils travel to Norfolk to play Norfolk William and Mary.

Last week was to have been a busy week for the Green Devils, but bad weather caused postponement of games with Frederick College and Newport News Apprentice School. The Frederick game was rescheduled for April 24 and the Newport News game for May 14.

The Green Devils did get in one game last week. In this one, Hampden-Sydney routed the Devils, 19-6. Coach Ed Allen used six of his seven pitchers in an attempt to keep the game close, but to no avail.

Bess Martin Named As President of PBL

Bess Martin, a junior Business major from Richmond, was sworn in as president of next year's Phi Beta Lambda business fraternity last Friday.

Other club officers sworn in at the organization's annual dinner and dance were Ellen Cassab, vice president; Birdie Jo Minor, secretary; Mary Ann Rasor, alternate secretary; Robert Brownell, treasurer; Bob Whittington, SGA representative; and Sarah Lawson, alternate SGA representative.

Hampden-Sydney scored five runs in the second inning to take a 5-0 lead in to the bottom of the inning. The Green Devils came back, however, with three runs in their half of the inning.

Rally Starts

Glenn Howland and Bud Reid started the second for the Green Devils by drawing walks. Howland moved to third on a force out and scored on a single by Tom Weedon. Mason Loughridge then singled home Stan Barrack and C. G. Grizzard singled home Loughridge.

The Tigers added two runs in the third, four in the fifth, and capped their scoring by adding seven runs in the seventh and final inning. While the Tigers were scoring big, the Devils were having the opportunities, but were unable to cash in on them until the seventh inning.

The Devils then scored three runs on five singles. With one out, successive singles by Howland,

Reid and Barrack produced one run. After a force out, singles by Loughridge and Tom Wright produced the final two tallies.

The Tigers collected thirteen hits off six Devil hurlers. The Green Devils got eight hits, with shortstop Mason Loughridge the only Devil with two hits.

The Green Devils dropped their fourth straight Monday as they were beaten by Randolph-Macon, 14-2.

Righthander Jerry Moore held the Devils to five scattered hits. In only one inning, the seventh, were the Devils able to get two hits.

Righthanders Paul Stafford and Billy Hanks pitched well for the Devils, but the Devils fielding left something to be desired. The team committed six errors.

Green Devil Golfers Defeat Macon, Lynchburg Linksmen

RPI's golf team has won two straight golf matches defeating Randolph-Macon and Lynchburg Colleges.

Last Friday, RPI defeated the Randolph-Macon Yellow Jackets, 16½-10½, in its first match of the season at Meadowbrook Country Club. Bill Rueger (R-M) d. Robert Brydon, 2-1; Danny Miller (RPI) d. Tom Alfano, 2-1; RPI won best ball, 2-1. Paul Barksdale (RPI) d. Willi sLandis, 3-0; Bill Greene (R-M) d. Bob Cather, 3-0; RPI won best ball, 3-0. Sam Johnson (R-M) d. Troy Brazwell, 2-1; Donald Voshall (RPI) d. Bill Wachter, 3-0; best ball haved, 1½-1½.

Monday, at Meadowbrook, the Devil linksmen came from behind to swamp the Lynchburg College veteran linksmen, 17½-9½. RPI scored 17 of its points in the final two foursomes.

Jim Alexander (L) d. Paul Barksdale, 3-0; Jim Omra (L) d. Dan Miller, 2½-½. Lynchburg won best ball, 3-0. Bob Brydon (RPI) d. John Caldwell, 3-0; Don Voshall (RPI) d/Dick Nelson, 2-1. RPI won best ball, 3-0. Bob Cather (RPI) d. Bill Johnson, 3-0; Troy Brazwell (RPI) d. Don Weimmer, 3-0. RPI won best ball, 3-0.

Don Voshall is the only RPI golfer who is undefeated. The other Green Devil have split their two matches.

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National Security Council Meets

Communism Is Dangerous Enemy, State Group Told

By Virginia Gibson

While there is much disillusionment in the world about communism, it is still a dangerous enemy that the West has yet to learn how to fight.

A five-person delegation from RPI heard this consensus at the recent meeting of the National Security Council of Virginia in Richmond.

Representing RPI at the all-day session on March 26 were Pat Scott, president of the Student Government Association; Penny Wetzler, SGA vice president; Jim Bradley, chairman of the Freshman Advisory Board; Margaret Zeigler, Junior class president; and Virginia Gibson, associate editor of the Proscript.

"The bloom is almost off the communist rose," Rep. Walter Judd, R-Minn., told the council. "All of Asia has become disillusioned with Red promises of quick cures for the economic woes of the Orient . . . you don't build walls to keep people in a Utopia."

"Keep 'Em Losing"

Judd, a former medical missionary to the Far East, said the answer to the Sino-Soviet threat is to "keep 'em losing . . . the more they are tied together, the sooner they'll go down."

Adm. Arleigh Burke, former chief of naval operations, said "the Communists are out to bury us, and it is time we believed them."

The job of the one and a half million military personnel and their dependents abroad is "to create respect," he said. "Liking and loving will follow."

The West is rapidly losing the struggle for world power on two economic fronts of the cold war, Dr. Warren Nutter, professor of economics at the University of Virginia, told the council.

The Communists are winning the fight for men's minds by

Americans extolling Soviet economic supremacy, and they are winning the struggle for power through American attempts to buy a way into power, Nutter said.

Propaganda Cited

He stressed that the United States should not sell itself short of economic prowess. "Don't ever underestimate your enemy, but don't overestimate him either. We must be careful not to boast but, also, not to let the Soviet propaganda of unprecedented growth go unchallenged."

Nutter said that he could see "no evidence that grants or loans have pulled uncommitted countries into our camp or altered them is any leanings that they may have toward communism."

Dr. Frank R. Barnett, a professor of cold war strategy at the National War College, warned that Americans must not delude themselves into the belief that war is unthinkable to the Soviets.

"War is in the thoughts of the Kremlin," he said. "If Russia develops a truly effective anti-missile missile, then Americans would find coexistence defined the same way as did the people of Budapest."

"Freedom Is The Prize"

"We are locked in a chess match with the most ruthless players in

the world. Freedom is the prize," Barnett continued. "We have to learn to play 'chess' with our professional and sophisticated enemy."

He and the other speakers urged that Americans spend "50-70 hours of serious homework" on geopolitics, propaganda analysis, reading what the Communists have written of their goals and encouraging civilian leadership in forums on foreign policies through organization affiliations.

The downfall of the free nations in the East-West struggle for world power will not come through atomic attack but will be accomplished by "our neglect to pay freedom's price of eternal vigilance," Gov. Albert S. Harrison, Jr. said.

"To survive we must know what makes a Communist tick, so that we won't be led to blind action."

The National Security Council, a non-profit and non-political organization, was formed last summer as an educational outlet for examining strategy and tactics employed by the Sino-Soviet bloc to obtain its objective of world dominance. More than 250 business and professional men and women from throughout the state attended this first council session.

Convocation Is Scheduled For Tuesday

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Committee, headed by Dean Pendleton.

Mrs. Diane Douthat Sears, an Elementary Education major, will receive the scholarship key for the highest grade average of 2.8. Two other students with high averages will be honored also. They are Mathew McGrath, Business major, who has a 2.6 average, and Merle Martin, a Psychology major, who has a 2.5 average.

Alumni Award

The RPI Alumni Association will present its annual award to the outstanding senior in leadership and academic achievement.

Also on the convocation agenda is the oath-of-office ceremony for the new student government officers for 1962-63.

Dr. Donald P. Ogdon, professor of psychology, will be the principal speaker. The topic of his address will be "Psychological Factors in Prolonged Space Flight."

Attendance at Honors Convocation is compulsory.

General Assembly Scholarship Deadline Extended to April 24

The deadline for General Assembly scholarship and loan fund applications has been extended to April 24 because some students were unaware of the March 31 deadline.

No applications will be accepted after April 24, Dean Pendleton announced.

Woodcut Exhibit Being Held Here

Woodcuts from folios and chapbooks (popular literature of Elizabethan and 17th century England) by the Uranian Press are on sale in the Commercial Art Building.

The press, located in New York City, was established by Richard Tyler in 1958. It is staffed by grammar school boy apprentices, and it produces woodcuts, icons, paintings, colleges, broadsides, folios and chapbooks.

Mr. Tyler, principle artist for the press, studied at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. He has exhibited in the Museum of Modern Art, the Library of Congress, United States embassies abroad and the New York Public Library. He has been featured in *Life* magazine and the *Village Voice*, a Greenwich Village newspaper.

Mr. Winston Hough, assistant professor of commercial art, is in charge of the exhibit.

German Club Dance Slated for Tomorrow

The German Club will hold an informal dance from 8:30 p.m. to midnight tomorrow in the Gymnasium. Tickets may be purchased at the door or from any Club member for \$1.

Music will be furnished by the Rhythm Makers.

Dick Whitehead, German Club president, said, "Although this is the same band that was contracted for a German Club dance last year and did not show, we feel sure nothing will go wrong this year. The group is under contract, and it has been signed by Dean Pendleton."

Two Candidates Seek Presidency Of Senior Class

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A native of Front Royal, Jenkins notes that the Young Republicans Club has grown from five members to more than 75 since he became its head.

Junior Class Secretary

Carolyn, a 20-year-old Floyd native, is secretary of the Junior class and a member of the Fine Arts Club.

Jennie is 21 years old and resides in Salem. A transfer from Mary Washington College this year, she is a student aid in the Fine Arts Department.

Dee Dee, a 20-year-old native of Marietta, Georgia, was "Miss Rat" and Freshman Class Sweetheart her freshman year. She served as SGA Representative of the Sophomore class as well as German Club Princess during her second year here.

Apple Blossom Princess

Barbara, 20, will represent RPI at the 35th annual Apple Blossom Festival in Winchester next month, an event she has attended three times.

The Berryville resident was Sophomore Class Sweetheart last year and is presently serving as Junior class SGA representative.

Petitioning for class offices for the Class of 1964 was held this week. Campaigning will be held next week, with voting taking place April 30-May 2.



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