



SCHOOL BOARD CONSIDERS PROPOSAL



AN ATTRACTIVE, SPACIOUS NEW BUILDING NOW HOUSES THE EAGLE RIVER POST OFFICE.

EAGLE RIVER POST OFFICE MOVES

EAGLE RIVER: The Eagle River Post Office moved into the new building last week-end lock, stock and postage stamps.

On Monday morning local patrons found the new facility open at the regular time and ready to serve the public.

The new concrete block building, located at the corner of Coronado Road and Glenn Highway is a beautiful modern structure, with enlarged work area and enough post boxes to serve all those who want one.

Postmaster, Lucille Fly said that there is over twice as many boxes as in the old quarters, approximately one thousand, in fact. She said that anyone now wishing to rent a box can have one in a variety of sizes. The new boxes all open with keys, as opposed to the combination locks in the old post office. Mrs. Fly added that there is room to add up to 3,000 boxes as they are needed.

The new building is fully airconditioned and is heated with an efficient forced air furnace.

As soon as the frost goes out of the ground, work will begin on paving the parking area. When the paving is completed and curbs installed, there will be access to the

COMMUNITY CENTER CLASSES

OLD CHUGIAK: Beginning March 14th, free sewing instructions will be given each Thursday at the Community Center located in the basement of the Chugiak Methodist Church.

The hours will be from 11:00 am to 2:00pm. This is an opportunity to become acquainted with one's neighbors from Eagle River to Eklutna.

It is suggested that everyone bring a sack lunch and exchange ideas, and just gab for a while. Free coffee will be provided, but each person is asked to bring their own cup.

Elva Connell will be there to pass along her mending tips and to help with sewing problems.

Beginners and brides are especially welcome. For the present time meetings are limited to adults only.

It is hoped to make this just one of many weekly programs, so everyone is asked to tell their friends to meet there. One is never too old or too young to learn from others.

Kathy Walker, local Community Aide will be there to answer questions concerning this new center and her work in the community. Anyone with a problem is invited to talk to Kathy. She will be in her office from 11:00am to 5:30pm each week, or may

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ANGRY TWELVE WELL DONE

BIRCHWOOD: The Chugiak High School Drama Club and Thespians tried something quite different and daring with their production of "The Angry Twelve", an adaption of the television show, "Twelve Angry Men", by Reginald Rose.

Most high school drama groups play it safe with the light comedy type of entertainment that requires a minimum of acting ability and is more likely to be accepted by a younger audience.

The play concerns the efforts of a jury to arrive at a verdict in a murder trial of a nineteen year old boy accused of the switch blade killing of his father.

The story is dependent on the developing of the personality of each of the jurors, who are identified only by numbers, not names.

The play, which was performed in the "half-round" in the school team teaching room, was very well presented. Ron Howes, as the member of the jury who stood alone in the beginning in refusing to vote guilty did an excellent job of portraying the role of a quite yet forceful man who refused to be swayed in his resolve by the others. Special mention also goes to Steve Czerski for his interpretation of the role of Juror number 3, a violent, single minded individual who holds out for

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ANCHORAGE: The GAAB School Board met last night with the Chugiak School Advisory Committee, and agreed to take the proposal presented under advisement.

The proposal was one which had been voted on at a meeting held in Chugiak last month, and asked for upgrading of the Chugiak High School facility and endorsing the building of a high school for the military and surrounding civilian communities at a site near the 5040th Air Force Hospital.

The school board expressed pleasure in the interest Chugiak Area residents had taken in their school affairs and plans to confer with the school administration before arriving at a decision.

A representative of the military addressed the school board and once again presented the plan for a high school at the Hospital site. He told of plans for the construction of dependent housing near this site to house the increased force at the base.

All members of the school board had been mailed copies of the resolution that the Chugiak School Committee had drafted, and had ample time to study them prior to the meeting.

PUBLIC MEETING TO SAVE CHUGIAK FIRE COMPANY

BIRCHWOOD: A public meeting to try to save the Chugiak Volunteer Fire Company from going out of existence has been called for tonight, Wednesday March 13th, at the Chugiak High School starting at 7:30pm.

Special guests will be Mr. Bud Saylor, of the Greater Anchorage Borough Chairman's office, who will try to answer question on how the community may establish a Borough Fire Service District in this area.

Also to be present will be Mr. Clyde Clary, local insurance man who will explain the effect that the lack of a fire company will have on certain fire insurance rates.

The Fire Company had announced their intention to disband as of April 1st, due to lack of cooperation on the part of the residents of the area served.

All those who have expressed concern at the prospect of being without fire protection or ambulance service in this area are urged to attend this meeting.

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guilty until the very last minutes of the play. Also a special mention to Vicky Frankfourth for a lively portrayal of Juror number 7, a role originally written for a man.

The director of the play was Mrs. Pat Cahill, other members of the cast were, Janice Deal as Foreman of the Jury, Terri Needles, Steve Spratt, John Lloyd, Dan Moore, Darleen Johnson, Tony Sanders, Enid Brown and Sue Roberts all as members of the jury, Bob Endicott as the Guard and Mike Jonrowe, who is not seen, but whose voice was heard offstage as the judge charging the jury at the beginning of the play.

Production staff were, student directors, Jean Endicott and Debbie King, Stage manager Jim Kallenberg, Lighting Mike Jourowe, Marguerite Arndt and Kathy Boehm, set Bill Cahill and Jeff Bush,

prompting, Dian Sherman and Dorothy Eychaner, Make-up, Regeana Mongeau, publicity, Diane Powers, programs, Vicky Frankfourth and tickets Cathy Harrison.

LOOPERS TO MEET

BIRCHWOOD: The regular meeting of the Birchwood Loopers Homemakers Club will be held this Thursday, at 7:30pm.

The meeting will take place in the home of Ferne Johnston with Ruth Brewer serving as hostess.

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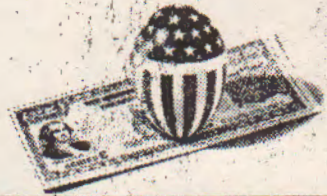
parking area from Coronado Road only, eliminating the hazard of cars attempting to enter and leave the lot onto the Glenn Highway. Attractive planters are planned along the curbs and beside the building.

Mrs. Fly said that a formal dedication of the new post office should take place within thirty days.

Post office hours will remain the same as in the old location, she concluded.



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NEXT DAY



Mamma, is this tomorrow?

No, dear this is today.



But today was when you were ironing!

No dear, that was yesterday.

Then when is tomorrow?



Well, you go to bed tonight, and when you wake up it will be tomorrow.

?????



MUSTANG EXPRESS
News and Activities of
Chugiak High School

EDITOR: Peggy Kerr

The date of the fourth annual Stew and Fun Day has been changed from March 16 to March 23.

Many new activities have been planned for this year's celebration, including a three legged race for all ages and a Folk Song Festival for all featuring local talents. The doors will open at 12:00 and close at 7:00pm. Ticket sales start today, and may be purchased from students or at the door. Prices are seventh grade through adults, \$1.50, first through sixth grades, \$1.00 and pre-school, .50¢. Prices include stew, four activity tickets and admission to films and races.

Eighth graders have been taking the S.C.A.T. ability Test. This is a test of skills learned since the first grade.

Juniors are in the process of choosing class rings. Seniors are choosing graduation announcements. Samples of the choices are on display in the trophy case.

SCIENCE FAIR
By: Jean Soto

The winners for the science fair were announced on Wednesday night.

Steve Czarski won first place with the project "Design Specifications for an Experimental Fuel Cell." Steve will be our representative at A.M.U. this year.

Rick Minwiddle won honorable mention with "Key to Winter Twigs."

In the Junior High there

were two first-place winners, Bobby Shepard and Ricky Steeby, who worked together on their project which was titled "Computers". Another first-place winner was Rita Eklund and her "Satellites for the Space Age."

Others were: Mark Mayo, 2nd place with "The Sun", Harry Mackey, honorable mention, with "Mother Nature Provides," Scot Frie, honorable mention with "AGldophone," Henry Kallenbert, honorable mention and his "Testing the F1 generation of Hybrid Cross Ratio in Soy Beans" and Joey Janke, honorable mention with "What is Euglena?"

Congratulations to all those who participated!

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be reached by phone at 688-5228.

Each lady is asked to bring her favorite household tip written on a slip of paper with her name, address and telephone number. These slips will be used for a prize drawing at the end of the afternoon.

This week's prize will be an original plaque of a Podlimint child crafted by a local resident.

"Who is your neighbor?"

LADIES CLUB SETS SHOW THEME

PETERS CREEK: The Chugiak Ladies Club, meeting last Thursday at the home of Rusty Bellringer in Peters Creek, discussed the theme for their coming Art Show.

"Coming of Age" was suggested, in recognition of the fact that this year marks the 21st Anniversary of the Chugiak Community.

The dates for the show have been set for Friday and Saturday, May 3rd and 4th at Chugiak High School.

Entry blanks will soon be available, and all local artists are urged to start early on their entries.

The next meeting will be a work party in preparation for the show. It will be held at the home of Arvilla Soto in Birchwood on Thursday, Mar. 21st at 7:30pm.



For a permanent litter bag holder for your car, cut down a rectangular plastic bottle. Punch two holes near corners on back and add a cord for hanging. Insert a plastic or waxed paper bag, easily removed and thrown away when filled.

TOPS CLUB TO MEET AT LIBRARY

OLD CHUGIAK: The Chugiak Pound Pushers TOPS Club will be holding all of their meeting at the Chugiak Public Library starting today.

Meetings will be held on Wednesdays at 9:30am. The group has been meeting in members homes prior to this.

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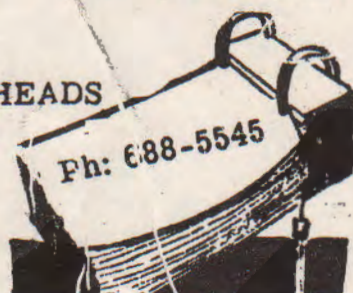
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Scouting in
Chugiak



HONORING
GIRL SCOUT
WEEK

JUNIOR SCOUTS
ARE COLOR GUARD

CHUGIAK: The Star Spangled Banner looked vivid and alive in bright sunlight, as the girls of Junior Scout Troop 72 unfurled the colors at both the Chugiak and Birchwood Elementary Schools this week, on Girl Scout Founders Day, March 12th.

Mrs. Alan Rasmusson, leader of Troop 72 has expressed special thanks to both the school principals, Mr. Wimmer of Birchwood and Mr. Sortore of Chugiak and Janitors Mr. Swayer and Mr. Stem of the respective schools for showing the girls the correct procedure for presenting the colors and for playing the National Anthem on the school's intercom.

TROOP 54 GOES
TO CONFERENCE

ANCHORAGE: The girls of Catette Troop 53, will be participating in the all Cadette and all Senior Scout Conference to be held in Anchorage March 14th, 15th and 16th.

The Cadettes will spend Wednesday night at the home of their leader Mrs. William Lovell in Birchwood and discuss the conference.

On Thursday morning they will leave for Anchorage, spending Thursday and Friday nights in town and returning on Saturday. Local girls will be the guests in the homes of girls from Anchorage troops.

The theme of the program is "Hands across the Ocean".

Troop 54's part in the program will be to sing the German song "The Happy Wanderer."

CHS PTA
PICKS OFFICERS

BIRCHWOOD: New officers were elected by the Chugiak High School PTA at a meeting held Monday night in the school library.

Elected president was O. W. "Bill" Lowe, as President, with Andy Kirk of Old Chugiak Vice-President, Daphne Monroe of Birchwood as Secretary and Eunice Vrem of Eagle River as Treasurer.

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ATHLETES
SHOULD DATE!

CHUGIAK: Traditional, a high school or college athlete is asked to follow some strict training rules.

They must eat lots of good food and must, of course, refrain from smoking and drinking. But, most of all, they must stay away from girls.

Judging from an article appearing in the Chugiak Mustang Roundup, which is the Chugiak High School student newspaper, dating is now allowed and might even be encouraged. The article was written by Andy Kirk, social studies teacher and coach of the Chugiak track and cross country teams. Here are some excerpts from his article:

"As a coach, I often hear comments to the effect that certain boys can't be expected to excel in sports because they have girl friends. I agree that athletes often don't continue the same after they get a girl friend, but many athletes do better when they're 'in love'. I feel the deciding factor is the girl.

"Too many girls who say, 'I'm in love with Joe,' really mean, 'I'm in love with myself!' Their entire effort seems to go toward keeping Joe from studying and training. These girls are self-centered and selfish, thinking of how much attention they themselves can gather.

"I once knew a very successful football coach who got through many a slump by sending his squad home to study, and calling a meeting of all the boy's girl friends. He once told me that perhaps the way to a man's heart is through his stomach, but the way to a man's athletic success is through his sweet-heart.

"Taking those one step further, it might be a good idea to have a 'letter' for girls in 'BOY-LOVING'. The requirements could go like this:

1. Have a varsity squad boyfriend for at least 75% of the season.
2. Never let him take you home in his car after school, but see that he gets to practice every day.
3. Never let him keep you out later than training rules allow.
4. Encourage him to do well in the sport, and let him know that you think the sport is important.
5. Stay away from him on the day of competition, and let him build up a 'competition edge.'

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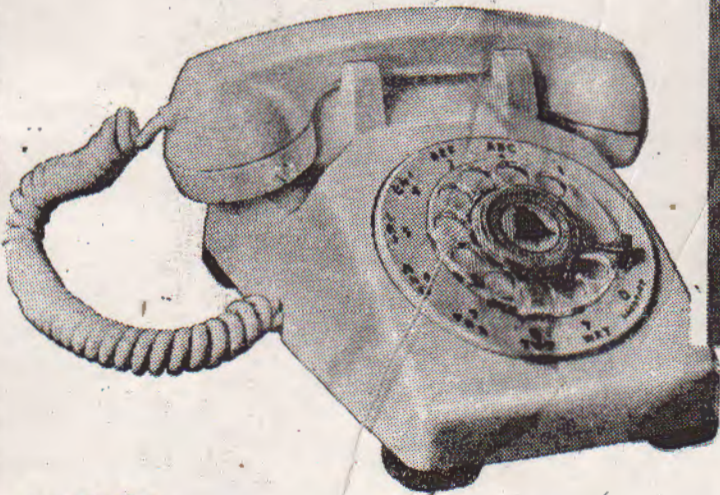
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Tell it to Martha

By: Martha Council

Dear Martha,

My daughter is expecting her first baby within a month and last week I got a letter from her telling me the most awful thing.

She has been getting all sorts of leaflets in the mail telling about baby furniture, etc. I think someone must find out who is expecting babies and turns their names in. Well she got one booklet from a funeral home telling about their special services for babies. It had pictures of tiny caskets, and a picture of the room where the babies are laid out, and it was furnished like a nursery.

Well my poor daughter is beside herself. She is sure that this is a sign that her baby is going to die and she is almost sick. I wish that I could be with her at this time to try to comfort her, but I can't get away until just before the baby is due? What can a mother do at this time?

Grandma

Dear Grandma,

I have never heard of such a show of poor taste. I find it hard to believe that a reputable funeral home would send such literature to an expectant mother. I suggest you write to your daughter's doctor and have him try to reassure her. Also a letter to the better business bureau in her town might be in order. If the funeral home is in fact sending out such information (I am inclined to think it might be the work of a practical joker) then they should be stopped.

Sincerely,

Martha Council



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6. Make him feel good after the competition is over--and that, win or lose, all the effort was worth it.

"The 'BOY-LOVING' letter could prove to be the most important varsity letter we have at Chugiak High School"

With a plan like that, perhaps Coach Andy Kirk should try teaching psychology.

DON'T FORGET ST. PAT PARTY

EAGLE RIVER: All residents of the Greater Chugiak Area are reminded to attend the community St. Patrick's Day party, to be held on Sunday, March 17th in the empty space in the Eagle River Shopping Center formerly occupied by Benson's Department Store.

Admission is free, and refreshments will be served. The party starts at 2:00pm and everyone is urged to be there and to **DRINK GREEN**.

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BCC ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

BIRCHWOOD: The Birchwood Community Club held their annual election of officers last week, with the following named to office.

President, A.C. Buswell, Vice President, Ray Emmons and Irene Hildeman re-elected Secretary Treasurer.

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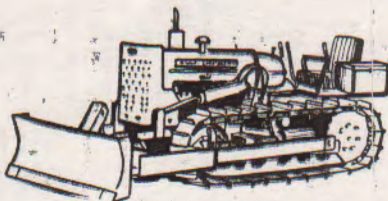
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Church News



CHUGIAK CHAPEL

Edgar McElhannon
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Sunday School. . . .9:45am
Morning Worship. . .11:00am
Evangelist Service. .7:00pm
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Grades 5-8, St. Andrews Ch.
Sunday morning after 8am
Mass.

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Rev. Rawls Pierce Pastor
Mile 14 Eagle River
Sunday School. . . .9:45am
Morning Worship. . .11:00am
B.T.U.6:00pm
Evening Worship. . .7:00pm
Weds. prayer meeting 7:00pm
W.M.U., 2nd Tues. . .7:30pm
R.A. boys, 1st & 3rd Tuesday
.7:30pm
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Evening Worship. . .7:30pm
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Sunday School. . . .10:00am
Ladies Aid, 3rd, Wed. 7:30pm

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BAHAI TO MEET FRIDAY

EAGLE RIVER: The Spenard Bahai will hold a meeting on Friday, March 15th in the Multi-purpose room of the Eagle River School.

The meeting will begin at 7:30pm, and anyone interested in learning more about the Bahai faith is invited to attend.

POT LUCK AT ST. ANDREWS

EAGLE RIVER: All parishioners of St. Andrews are invited to attend a pot-luck dinner to welcome Father Shirey back to the parish, as well as to get acquainted with him and each other both new and old.

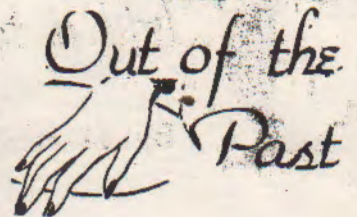
Each lady is asked to bring a main dish and salad enough for her own family.

The time is Sunday March 17th, from 4pm to 6pm. The place is the Eagle River Inn.

ALTAR SOCIETY TO MEET

FIRE LAKE: St. Andrew's Altar Society will hold their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 19th, at 7:30pm. The meeting will be held at the Monastery of the Sisters of the Precious Blood in Fire Lake.

All members are urged to come and make the meeting a success.



TAKEN FROM THE MARCH 13th, 1958 ISSUE OF THE KNIK ARM COURIER

MUSHERS EARN \$90: Young Chuglak Musers donated \$90 in own weekends operation of dog sled rides to the Resuscitator Fund.

DEATH CLAIMS JOSEPH HAIK: Joseph Haik, 76, passed away at the home of his son Vernon Haid Sr. on the afternoon of March 12th.

GIRL SCOUTS TAKE PART IN CEREMONY: Chuglak Girl Scouts and Brownies participated in the Annual Faggots for Friendship ceremony at Anchorage High School March 9.

LOCAL MAN TAKES SHOOTING HONORS AT FAIRBANKS: Ed Bellringer was awarded the medal for First Place Expert Division Kneeling in the Alaska Sectional Indoor Rifle Tournament at Fairbanks last weekend.

PUBLIC ASKED TO GRADUATION

OLD CHUGIAK: The public is invited to observe the graduation of the Obedience Training Class which has been conducted for the past ten weeks by the Obedience Training Club of Chuglak.

Judging of each dog and graduation will take place on Saturday, March 23rd at 5pm in the Community Hall at mile 21.

Judge for the graduation will be George Scott of the Chuglak Obedience Training Club.

Trophies, ribbons and certificates of graduation will be offered to the graduates.

This is one of the largest classes that the local club has graduated.

DON'T FORGET THE BIG

St. Patrick's Day Party

SUNDAY, MARCH 17th, 2:00pm - 4:00pm

EAGLE RIVER SHOPPING CENTER (Former Benson's Store)

EVERYONE WELCOME...REFRESHMENTS

THINK GREEN!



Dear Editor:

I was both surprised and shocked to see and hear public statements last Saturday in which Borough school officials were urged to ignore the majority wishes of the residents of this area and require bussing of our students to a large high school elsewhere.

Additionally, I feel our community was placed in a bad light by insinuations that our high school is second-rate, that education costs are excessively high here, and that our citizens do not carry their fair share of school costs.

As a parent of two children in Chugiak High School, I for one am pleased with the educational facilities available. Curriculum and faculty are excellent. The physical facilities are of good quality, but overcrowded. Naturally, I want more and better educational opportunities, but realize they are coming with growth.

This 4-year high school is combined with two junior high grades. Its total opening enrollment this year was 651 students, grades 9-12 this year have 385 students -- 158 more than four years ago. Enrollment next year will increase by an additional 52 students or more.

Any contention that our residents are not paying their fair share is absurd. It is not reasonable that a better school should be built in one section than another simply based on their tax value. Furthermore, our tax contribution would not increase by shifting our students to another school -- but the costs

of transportation would certainly increase.

It is very doubtful that our school officials would allow an excessive cost situation to continue. At the same time, they should not be criticized for making available to any student a course essential to his education.

The fact that this area is growing rapidly cannot be denied. Our kids must be educated. In my opinion, the most practical approach to our growth problem is not to give up our high school, but to plan for the future by starting a complex-type junior-senior high, designed to be added onto. I have been assured by a contractor specializing in school construction in Alaska that this is feasible and has been done successfully in communities with less-rapid growth than Chugiak's.

Eight years ago there were 451 Chugiak students in grades 9-12. After four years of hard work by our citizens, a high school was obtained for this area. The primary motivations were to avoid long hours of unnecessary transportation, and to provide our students with their own school in which they could participate. Now, with 1,420 students, should we say these motives are not valid?

Yours truly
Lee B. Jordan

How Reasonable Are We?

The Borough School Administration's recent straight line projection of high school student enrollment for the years 1968-69 through 1973-74 should be most disturbing to every resident of the Greater Chugiak Area and particularly disturbing to those who have hopes of getting a senior high school in the local area in the near future.

This projection shows steady increase in the Anchorage area (exclusive of military) from 3,725 high school

students currently enrolled to 6,149 in the school year 1973-74, a 65% increase. For the Chugiak High the projection shows an increase from 254 students in 1967-68 to 385 in 1971-72 followed by a decline to 360 in 1973-74, a total increase for the six-year period of 40%.

The cost in local taxes (property taxes) for education of the 23,600 students (all grades) in 1967-68 was \$364.00 per student. Property owners of the Greater Chugiak Area contributed \$132.00 per student towards this cost meaning that other property owners of the Borough are contributing \$232.00 towards the educational cost of every student in the Greater Chugiak Area. Further, because of the higher teacher-to-student ratio, distance, etc. the cost per Greater Chugiak student is higher than the boroughwide average.

The Borough Ace charges the elected school board with the responsibility of providing equal boroughwide educational opportunities to all students of the Borough at the same mill rate of taxation.

Taxpayers can rightfully establish budgetary limits for educational purposes and can properly expect the maximum educational benefits from the funds provided. If the school board fails to administer those funds to the greatest and best use for taxpayers of the borough as a whole the Board is derelict in its responsibility to the electorate.

If, in the considered judgment of our elected school board, location of a high school at X site will provide greater educational opportunities for our students at the lowest cost to all borough taxpayers then it is the responsibility of that board to implement that decision.

The school administration recognizes the need and justification for upgrading the present school to provide a junior high school facility comparable with others in the Borough. If we can reverse the 1972-74 downward trend (and it can be done) and if we are reasonable in our demands now the school administration and the boroughwide taxpayers might be sold on a 500-600 student senior high complex in Chugiak in 1975-76.

Glenn Briggs

JOINT PTA MEETING SET

BIRCHWOOD: The Birchwood and Chugiak Elementary School PTA's will hold a joint meeting on Monday, March 18th in the multi-purpose room of the Birchwood school.

Special guest speakers will be Dr. Troy Sullivan, Associate Professor of Education at the University of Alaska.

Dr. Sullivan directs all student teaching, is a reading counselor at the Langdon Psychiatric clinic. He received all of his degrees at the North Texas State University. He works with the rehabilitation of children and adults with reading problems caused by brain damage.

Following the program, separate business meetings will be held by each group.

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Q. Who may buy Freedom Shares?

A. Any individual who purchases Series E Bonds regularly through a formal plan—either Payroll Savings where he works or Bond-a-Month where he banks.

Q. What is the interest rate on Freedom Shares?

A. 4.74% compounded semiannually, when held to maturity of 4½ years. The rate is less if redeemed prior to maturity; and they may not be redeemed for at least one year.

Q. Does this same rate now apply to E Bonds?

A. No. E Bonds continue to return an average of 4.15% when held to their seven-year maturity.

Q. What do Freedom Shares cost?

A. They are issued in face amounts of \$25, \$50, \$75, and \$100. Purchase prices are \$20.25, \$40.50, \$60.75, and \$81.00.

Q. Can Freedom Shares be bought by themselves?

A. No. They must be bought in conjunction with E Bonds of the same or larger face amounts.

Q. Can I buy as many Freedom Shares as I want, as long as I buy E Bonds of the same or larger amounts?

A. No. On Payroll Savings, Freedom Share deductions are limited to \$20.25 per weekly pay period, \$40.50 per bi-weekly or semimonthly pay period, \$81.00 per monthly pay period. On Bond-a-Month, the limit on Freedom Share deductions is \$81.00 per month.

Q. How will the Freedom Shares be registered?

A. Registration must be identical with the E Bonds bought in combination.

Q. Are Freedom Shares subject to taxation?

A. The same as E Bonds. Interest is subject to Federal income tax, which may be deferred until maturity or redemption (whichever comes first). Interest is not subject to state or local income taxes. Current values are subject to estate, inheritance, gift, and other excise taxes, both Federal and state.

Q. Will Freedom Shares be extended beyond maturity, as E Bonds have been?

A. No. Under existing law, there is no provision for extension.



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NEWS AND ACTIVITIES OF
THE BIRCHWOOD SCHOOL

EDITOR: Melodie Cline

GRADE 1, Mrs. Fischer: We are having a math contest in our room to see how many problems we can get correct in five minutes. It is fun to see ourselves climb higher on the chart.

We like to go to the library each week. It is fun to read the books we check out.

We have been learning about simple machines. We have been bringing some of them and pictures of them from home.

GRADE 2: Mrs. Cline: We are going to study about poems. We are studying about money.
REPORTER: [Name]

COMBO 3-3, Mrs. McGres: On a TV program we heard about string snapping. It was very much fun to do. This is how you do it: first you get a piece of paper, paints, and a piece of string about one foot long. Dip the string in the paint and wrap each end of the string around your finger. You hold the string to the paper and your partner raises the string and lets it down, "snap". It hits the paper and makes a line. You can make a picture or just some lines.

.....Kenny Sawyer
Our teacher is reading a book called "Leopard Glue". Some frightening things are happening. I will tell you a little bit about it. It is about two boys named Ndama and Ocheila. They are from the Eunyorie tribe. The chief's son hates Ndama and Ocheila. He has told many lies about them that aren't true.

.....Tamra Matlock
Our class has been working on pottery. Now we are going to glaze the pottery. Some children made animals, some made dishes, and some made nick-nacks. We had all kinds of colors to paint them, like old rose, jet black, redwood, golden yellow, white, Chinese green, capri blue, and flesh. We have been working on this project since February. Mrs. McGrew used a mold. "No fair!" says children.
.....Marilyn McGregor

GRADE 4, Mrs. Hildeman: Wednesday we saw three movies. One was about Brazil. The others were about Paul Revere and one about a baseball player. Paul Revere and the baseball player were poems.

GRADE 6: Mrs. Kerbow: In Social Studies we have started a new chapter. It is Man's problems in Egypt and Mesopotamia.

In Science we have had tests of the five groups of Vertebrate animals. We have started on tissues.

In Music we have been learning songs for the chorus. They are San Sereni, Columbia the Gem of the Ocean and Aloha Oe.

REPORTERS: Jean Moore and Mary Lovell

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT

The regular meeting of the Student Council was held Tuesday, March 5th. The constitution committee gave a report on the constitution that they had written. The president, Terry Simpson, read it to the members of the council.

Some parts were not satisfactory and will be written over. When it is finished, the constitution will have to be voted on by the student body.

REPORTER: Jackie Wears

ASSEMBLY ON SWEDEN

Last Thursday we went to the multi-purpose room to see a movie about Sweden. We learned that in some ways the country of Sweden is very much like Alaska. While we were seeing the movie the teachers met with an art teacher from the University of Washington.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS ASKED

CHUGIA: "Your Community Center may be your helping hand some day," says a spokesman for GOAL, the local Community Action group.

Today a family in this community needs help.

A collection is being made of clean household items, such as dishpans, dishes, pots, pans, tablewear, iron and board, scrub buckets, wash tubs, wash boards or small appliances needed to set up housekeeping for this family.

Clean water cans and fifty gallon water drums are also needed for those who do not have a water supply.

If duplicate items are received, they will be set aside for another emergency, or sold later on in a rummage sale to raise money for community work.

The obligation is to help our neighbors to help themselves.

Don't throw it away, please call Kathy Walker's office 688-5228, Pat Sherman, 688-6471, Ludi French, 688-6360 or Elva Connell, 694-2789.

PTA TO SERVE DESSERT

BIRCHWOOD: The Chugiak High School PTA will once again man the dessert booth at the fourth annual "Stew and Fun" day to be held this year on Saturday, March 23rd from noon to 7pm at Chugiak High School.

Funds from the sale of dessert will go toward the \$250 scholarship which the PTA offers each year.

Donation of cake, pie or other baked goodies are being asked. Anyone wishing to donate is asked to call the High School office by Wednesday, March 19th, or call any of the following. Mrs. Cleda Stephen, at 688-5286, Mrs. Charles Richner at 688-6436, Mrs. Daphne Monroe at 688-5332 or Mrs. Robert Thomas at 694-2304.

Also volunteers are needed to man the booth. This will be for 2 hour shifts.

Anyone planning to bring baked goods is asked to have them at the multi-purpose room no later than 2pm on the 23rd.



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MENU

MONDAY, March 18, 1968

Orange Juice
Juicyburger**
Potato Salad
Pickle slice
Ice cream
1/2 pint of milk
**Macaroni & cheese

TUESDAY, March 19, 1968

Macaroni & cheese
Savory green beans
Safety sam salad
Wheat roll
Peanut butter cookie
1/2 pint of milk
**Swiss chopped steak
**Hamburger

WEDNESDAY, March 20th, 1968

Frankfurters on a bun
with mustard**
Baked beans **
Lemon bu, spinach
Chilled apple quarters
1/2 pint of milk
**Spaghetti

THURSDAY, March 21, 1968

Roast turkey & gravy **
Fluffy mashed potatoes
Bu, peas & carrots
Roll
Oatmeal cookie
1/2 pint of milk
**Hamburger

FRIDAY, March 22, 1968

Chilled fruit drink
Toasted cheese sandwich **
Bu, W.K, corn
Green salad w/ 1,000 is-
lant dressing
Chocolate brownie
1/2 pint of milk
**Meat loaf

** Indicates ala carte menu
at Chugiak High School

VFW PLANS ST. PAT DANCE

EAGLE RIVER: The Chugiak Post of Veterans of Foreign Wars is planning a St. Patrick's Dance for Saturday, March 16th.

The dance will be held at the VFW Hall at mile 13 1/2, and will begin at 9:00pm.

Live music will be featured and members and guests are welcome.
