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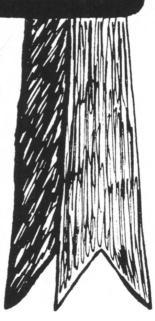






Elections

For the first time in Wagar's history, a president held office for two consecutive years. Barry Bonder won by acclamation this year and has continued his great effort to improve life in our school. The main event was the race for the office of Vice-President. The candidates were: Allan Feldman, Bob Khaimovitch (both grade ten students) and Crayne Spanier, a grade eleven student. Though the campaigns were short they were exciting. The day before the balloting a school assembly was held. The Vice-Presidential candidates preached their policies while balloons popped, bands played and assorted UFO's flew across the double gym. The outcome was victory for Crayne Spanier and democratic fun for everyone.











The "Pink Ladies" (L. Herzeg, G. Smiley, A. Skolnik and L. Ikeman) won for Best Dressed Females.



Sock-hop emcee C. Spanier awards album to C. Hahamovitch and M. Merowitz for Best Dance Couple.



D. Flomen, Best Dressed Male.



Cool Al!

Greaser's Day

Things were looking "peachy-keen" as bobbysocks, crinolins, leather jackets and ducktails filled the halls on Friday, Oct. 27. No, it wasn't an on-location taping of "Happy Days", but enthusiastic Wagarites in the spirit of the nifty fifties for Wagar's second annual Greasers' Day. "Greased" activities committee members - on rollerskates no less — visited home rooms one day prior to the big day, to musically announce the exciting schedule of events for the following day. The turnout was sensational! At recess, the bubble-blowing contest was won by Camille Sakkal and in the gym at lunchtime, greasers twisted and jitterbugged to such oldies but goodies as "At the Hop" and "Rock Around the Clock", as well as to highlights from the soundtrack of the movie "Grease". C. Hahamovitch and Mr. Merowitz won Best Dance Couple, Mr. Armstrong to the Best Dressed Teacher award, D. Flomen and M. Littner tied for Best Dressed Male, while the prize for Best Dressed Female went to the "Pink Ladies". After school, things took up a new beat — a disco beat, that is — as students made their way to a roller-skating and skateboarding extravaganza at "Le Trak". Greasers' Day proved to be one of the school year's most successful activities. It will, undoubtedly, remain an enjoyable tradition at Wagar.

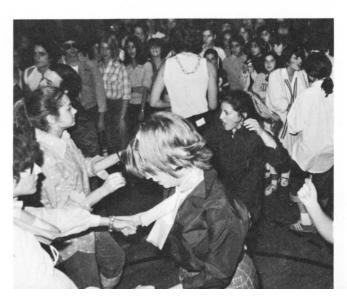


A mean-looking Mr. Armstrong.



M. Littner, Best Dressed Male.





Disco Fashion Show

Mis Irgo's Art department's Fashion-Talent Show went disco this year. It ws one of the year's greatest successes as the show sold out long before show-time. The clothes ranged from Jag to Audredy's to Satins as well as formal wear from Classy. These beautiful outfits were modelled by some of Wagar's sexiest bodies. Most of the talent acts were disco dances livened up by Peter Benisti, D.J. The choreography and light show were eye-openers for the crowd. It proved to be fun for everyone in the show as well as a great contribution toward the art trip to New York in May.



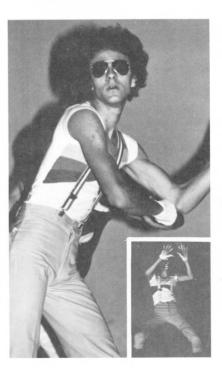












Guy's Beauty Pageant









Wagar's second annual "Guy's Beauty Pageant" was an overwhelming success this year. Fifteen of Wagar's most beautiful guys put on a charade of acts, dress and choreographed disco dancing. A main attraction for the show was a movie of the guys in training and the public reaction to the show. Beautiful bodies from all over the world came to compete in the pageant. The talent competition saw such acts as Swine Lake, "6 minutes", news, and Elton John Band. The winner, chosen by our panel of judges, was Miss Nigeria - Howard Lis. After the show and after the excitement had died down, it was time for the makeup to come off and the pants to come on, but the laughs lasted for days.

Thanks to Joy, Laurie, Weidi, Marlene and Marcy for putting the show together.

Thanks to Robin Fishman and Claire Schmerer for hosting the event and thanks to David Flomen for the movie.



Miss Nigeria, Miss Japan, Miss Pakistan, Miss Mexico, Miss Sweden, Miss Elsigundo, Miss Italy, Miss Djhibouti, Miss Rnulac.



Winter Carnival



The Royal Family (with Royal entourage).



"Royal Incest"



Royal Family



The lowly peasants.





Variety Show









Pecarvé

Winter Carnival '79 was an all 'round smash hit this year. The week of Jan. 29-Feb. 2 was packed with events, first of which was a new one of Wagar, the appointment of a Royal Family. Each home room had nominated either a candidate for King or Queen (seniors) or Prince or Princess (juniors). The entire school voted for their favorite nominee. Monday at lunch hundreds of Wagarites gathered in the girl's gym to witness the official crowning of the Royal Family in the balcony. The results were: Stewart Bick (King), Robin Fishman (Queen), Steve Abrams (Prince), and Brenda Levine (Princess). They would reign for the entire Winter Carnival week. Their royal function was to attend all events, (escorted by royal entourage) and to set a good example for all fellow but peasant Wagarites. After school a variety show debuted in the A.V. room. Crayne S. and Derrik F. hosted this show from Cheech and Chong to Robot Dancers to the Rod Stewart Band, Moroccan style. This free event was organized due to the initiative of Mitchell Merowitz and Rhonda Libman. Tuesday was Hat-and-Tie Day. At lunch in the girl's gym Wagar held its first gambling Casino. Chuck Altman and Mitch Bloom, with much help put together an array roulette, wheel of fortune, craps, black-jack and poker tables for Wagarites to gamble away their currency (groots). Everyone at least broke even since the groots were given away to any Wagarite wearing the official Winter Carnival '79 button, of which we ran out. Neil H. won himself a chance to win one million dollars as he was the days biggest winner. After school, Wagar presented Neil Simon's the Goodbye Girl for a mere quarter admission. Wednesday at lunch the Wagar Jazz Band put on a swingin' free concert in the A.V. room. Wednesday after school Wagar issued the first term report cards. To cheer up the sad faces, the great hypnotist Pécarvé paid a traditional visit to our Winter Carnival. The show was mesmorizing as half the audience rolled into the aisles laughing as their friends made absolute fools of themselves. Thursday there was free skating at the C.S.L. Arena. Friday saw a 3 bus convoy of Wagarites shipped off to Smugglers Notch for a day of skiing in the sun. There are too many people to thank for the huge success of this Carnival. Most events involved at least 3 or 4 hundred Wagarites participating and that statistic in itself is reward enough for all those involved in creating the Winter Carnival Week.

Hat and Tie Day











Casino

There's No Business Like Show Business

WAGAR HIGH SCHOOL presents



Book and Lyrics Alan Jay Lerner Music Fredrick Leowe

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 1978 8:00 P.M. AUDITORIUM BRIGADOON, the Scottish musical fantasy directed by Mrs. Blond, ended a two-year dry spell on the Wagar Stage. Each of the three evening performances ended with a standing ovation well-deserved by all those involved with the spectacular production.



On the nights of April 3rd, 4th, and 5th, in arrangement with Music Theatre International of New York, N.Y., Wagar presented Guys and Dolls. Jo Swerling and Abe Burrow wrote the screenplay while Frank Loesser wrote the score for the hit musical based on the famous Damon Runyon Broadway characters. The major roles were played by Barry Bonder, Liane Sobcuff, Greg Shore and Lynn Herzeg respectively as Sky Masterson, the slick proffessional betting man; Sister Sarah Brown, the mission girl who falls in love with him; Nathan Detroit, the compulsive gambler who is best known for his "oldest established permanent floating crap game in New York"; and Miss Adelaide, the night-club singer who has developed a "psychosamatic cold" from waiting for Nathan to marry her after being engaged to him for fourteen years. Other leads include: Billy Bloom, Ellen Coplan, Elaine Coleman, Tommy Belman, Earl Rubink, Lori Brick, Carl Goldstein, Crayne Spanier and Bobby Arbess. Mrs. Blond, Producer and director of the production, was assisted by Miss Rosenberg, Mme. Henry, Mrs. Clendenning, Mrs. Latimer, Miss Irgo, Mr. Best, Mr. Hart and many, many more. Not only were students involved in the actual acting, but they also assisted with make-up, scenery, costuming and props. The enthusiasm of the entire cast and that of the many people involved behind the scenes as well reflected in each of the three performances making Guys and Dolls Wagar's greatest success ever.







S e n i o r B a n d





J a z z B a n d



"The squeaks of today are the notes of tomorrow."







Ode to Jimmy

Or

True Confessions of the Graduating Music Class of '79

Ending up musicians Must have been our fate When we look back and remember How it started in grade eight.

If your first choice was trumpet, your second sax, Or between two you were torn, Without a doubt you'd end up with A winner like French horn!

The first few weeks were frustrating, Blowing mouthpieces in class, Unless you played the tuba-If you could hold it you would pass!

Who could forget the problem Of instruments shared by two? "It wasn't my fault, my partner forgot-" (But really it was you!)

And when we "musicians" practised, (Oh, the novelty of it all!)
Our parents despised the racket
And we drove them up a wall.

The clarinets sounded like sick geese, The horns a pregnant cow, The clarinets have since improved But the latter's the exact same now!

Then came grade nine, the inter. band, Stella, "Montego Bay", (But playing that piece in Pittsburgh nearly scared the Yanks away!)

But Pittsburgh was an experience, They fed us milk and meat, So when we came home to our matzoh balls, They really were a treat!

Grade ten we ALL were in senior band, A selected few in jazz, The band, it started shaping up With spirit and pizazz. The band fund needed money, We chased people-oh, what gall! When we poor, deprived kids of Cote St. Luc Went begging in the mall!

Bottle drives and raffles, "To help defray the cost of uniforms and the band exchange" The cause was far from lost.

We skipped classes for the bake sales, The food was really swell, But by the time that recess came There was nothing left to sell!

Our car washes were chaos, As we smeared around the dirt, The filthy rags and water fights Didn't help — but didn't hurt.

Long Island proved great and compared to it Pittsburgh was a pity, As our jackets of white and blue Invaded New York City.

Now in grade eleven, Connaisseurs of music we are, We "seniors" can order the "juniors" around And Mr. Ranti is now "J.R."

Our final year at Wagar Was a tremendous one at that, The bands, they sounded exceptional And Poughkeepsie was where it was at.

Well Mr. Ranti, we love you so, You're really quite a catch, But those clothes just have to go-Pink and brown don't match!

But really now, you're quite a guy, You've made our years here treasured, What we've learnt, the times we've loved Really can't be measured.

We bid farewell to the Wagar Band, Great memories will never cease, For always in our hearts we'll hear That good ol' "Masterpiece".

Lynn Herzeg and Joy Goldberg

President's Report

I can say, without hesitation, that we have seen another successful year for the Wagar Student Council. Wagar saw more activities than any year in recent history, and the reception of these events by the Wagar Student Body was very rewarding. Many traditions — such as Greasers Day, the ski trip, and the Guys' Beauty Pageant — were continued. Events from Wagar's past — such as movies and Pecarve — were brought back. Other activities — such as Casino Lunch, roller-skating, and the election of a Winter Carnival Royal Family — were new to Wagar. Radio Wagar was expanded to two days a week. We also threw a Christmas party for Royal Arthor School School. 1978-79 saw more undergraduate participation than ever before.

On the political level, Student Council was much busier than in recent years. A sudden enforcement of the "no-student-parking-in-the-lot" rule resulted in an organized student protest and a formal Student Council proposal. Our proposal was highly praised, then shelved by the administration. Also, we saw a sudden change in the school's smoking policy. Students now had to smoke away from all school entrances. Wagarites affected by these new rules learned two things: A) in a democratic system one's leaders act only if there is sufficient protest; and B) as students we have no real power. Even though we achieved no concrete results this year in either of the two above mentioned cases, I hope that the Student Council will continue to make organized protests. These protests are bound to influence future administrative decisions. I hope as well that in the future the Wagar administration will realize that the "raison d'etre" of any school is its students. The needs of the students, therefore, should be given top priority, whether it is convenient or not.



STUDENT COUNCIL SENIOR EXECUTIVE: Crayne Spanier, Vice-President; B.J. Bonder, President; Mr. N. Feigen, Advisor.

For example, there are no valid reasons to justify our January 1979 exam schedule. Some kids had seven hours of exams in a row! I am not saying the exam period should have been longer or that it should have been in December. I am saying that the administration had absolutely no excuse for putting together an exam timetable like that one; the whole purpose of having formal examinations is to allow the student to show his or her instructors what he or she has learned.

As my second year as Student Council President comes to an end, I realize that I was one of many who enjoyed some very rare experiences as a high school student. There are many people to thank. First and formost on the list is a super guy, our dedicated advisor, Mr. Feigen. He always had a way of steering us in the right direction when we were heading the wrong way. Mr. Feigen was part of the Student Council, and his support and participation contributed significantly to our every endeavour. Another big contributor was our Vice-President, Crayne Spanier. His constant stream of original and sometimes crazy ideas and theories presented a new angle to all aspects of Student Council. On behalf of each and every Wagarite, I would like to thank our terrific office staff for lending us scissors, scotch tape, dimes and pencils; as well as for dealing with all other sorts of student "emergencies". Their friendliness was really appreciated.

This next group of people has not received the recognition they deserve: our teachers. Although some were apathetic just like we students, most played a very important part in our life, Wagar. Over half of the teaching staff participated directly in extracurricular activities: — some coached sports teams, others organized student trips, advised clubs or directed our school play. Some teachers were just plain nice, others showed us that they cared. I hope that the crippling teacher strikes and refusal to participate in E.C.A. my graduating class endured in grades eight and nine do not plague our successors. Finally one big 'thank you' to the dozens and dozens of Wagarites who did their part by helping out. Some people worked a little; others a lot. Without the enthusiasm and dedication of the various committees and part-time Student Council 'staff', nothing would have been possible. These people — the staff and students — are Wagar High School. Wagar is not a building, Wagar is people like you and me. Thanks, Wagar.

Well, that wraps up another two chapters of the Wagar Student Council, good luck to those writing the next one.

B.J. Bonder, President,

Wagar Student Council, 1977-79



Activity Committee

1st ROW: Lori Karpman, Sharon Rosenthal, Cindy Steinman, Shlomo Suissa, Sharon Garellek, Rhonda Laurie, Lynn Herzeg, Cindy Hahamovitch, Laurie Mazliach. 2nd ROW: Crayne Spanier, Barry Bonder, Marcy Morein.

Winter Carnival Committee

1st ROW: M. Cherna, R. Libman, L. Levine, J. Lechter. 2nd ROW: B. Kahn, S. Kapusta, C. Spanier, M. Morein, B. Bonder, R. Laurie, C. Altman, E. Itzcovici, P. Bloom, M. Salonin, R. Zipper.



Graduating Class Organization



With Mme. Henry as advisor this year's G.C.O. worked harder than ever handling the purchase of grad rings and organizing the graduation dinner and dance at the Ritz Carlton Hotel. The committee's fund-raising projects, including a bowl-a-thon and a dance marathon, proved instrumental in the success of the grad, as did the dedicated work of all those involved.

L. Sobcuff, S. Segal, R. Libman, M. Aber, N. Hercvici, C. Spanier, S. Brodie, S. Dahan, S. Koeing, N. Mindel, M. Rubin, M. Morein, R. Charness, L. Liberman, F. Nozetz, P Unger, D. Salzman, B. Gordon.

Reach for the Top Team

Wagar's 1979 team entry for CBC's Reach for the Top are Hillel Rosen, Michael Margolian, Phillip Freedman and Douglas Ruby. At the time of publication, the team had not yet met with Bialik High for their first game. However, the team was challenged by several ambitious Wagarites. In one such match, the team defeated their competition by a score of 720 to 250. The team has been in serious training for several weeks under the direction of Mrs. Sherman and by Mrs. Rosenfeld.

H. Rosen, M. Margolian, P. Friedman, D. Ruby.



Shower Club



S. Bick, M. Baron.

Although this year is the first for Wagar's Shower Club, it is already established as one of the school's most elite, with the membership restricted to only two students per annum. Meetings of this club are held on a daily basis in the boys' showers. The purpose of the club is to promote personal cleanliness and eliminate the odours which surround the other members of the home room gym class.



The cancellation of History 52 due to insufficient registration did not stop these ancient history buffs. Meeting approximately once a week with Mrs. Sherman, their studies ranged from the ancient civilizations of the Middle East to the Roman Empire. The group participated out of sheer interest and some did proceed to write the matric in June.

Ancient History Club

J. Melzack, C. Katz, L. Herzeg.





There was definitely something "fishy" going on in room 302 as Mr. Levine's Aquarium Club met approximately every two weeks to discuss care and breeding of tropical fish. Membership was open to anyone and all members got a 10% discount on supplies at the local pet shop. The fish which were bred by the club were distributed among the members at the end of the school year.

Aquarium Club



F. Fundaro, S. Lievowvirz, Mr. A. Levine, L. Faibian, E. Bloom.



R W a a d g i a o r



Sponsored by the Student Council, Radio Wagar was "broad-casted" every Wednesday and Thursday on the first floor and in the girls' gym respectively. Wagar's John Travolta's let loose and danced to music played by DJ Mike Cherna. The success of this lunch time activity can be attributed to many, in particular, Mr. Feigan, B.J. Bonder and Crayne Spanier. The Student Council extends its thanks to Mrs. Rodriguez for the use of her office on Wednesdays and to Mrs. Gartner for the use of the gym on Thursdays.

Lighting and Projection Crew





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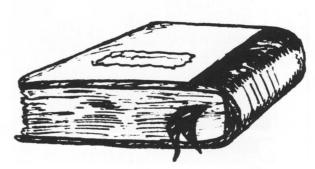
Ticket-Wicket Crew





E. Itzcovici, R. Laurie, S. Garellek, B. Bonder.





Library Staff



Miss Lodge, S. Lievowvitz, S. Angelovici, S. Le absent.

