

Open Campus In Jeopardy?

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A petition is now circulating throughout the area of Cordova High School to close the campus.

Complaints of littering, speeding and loitering in the vicinity of the school has set this in motion. There is also the question of students drinking and entering the park during lunch hours.

These activities violate the terms of the open campus proposal and commonly take place before and after school. The petitioners hope to eliminate these problems by closing the campus.

The student body plans to counteract by informing the students of their responsibility for keeping the campus open.

A meeting of the PTA was held

at Cordova Gardens this week, and the petition was introduced with hopes of a number of additional signatures.

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Several local fast food franchises are willing to back the student body by one hundred percent, according to Mike Hoose, student body president.

Open campus has not always existed at Cordova. It was first introduced in 1972 to strong opposition. The student body was told at the time that high school students were incapable of handling this responsibility and that the privileges of open campus would soon be abused.

In spite of the opposition the first battle was won five years ago. Yet the war is still going on.

If campus is closed now, it is unlikely it will ever be opened again.

Jim Vitti, junior class president, passionately states, "The efforts of the students before us, the reputation of the students currently attending, and the rights of the students after us is at stake. Lack of responsibility just may close Cordova's campus."

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Marching Band Makes Debut

Making their debut this year is the Cordova Marching Band and Flag Team. They perform at every home game halftime show. They have received cheers and support from fans and community members.

"The Big Red Music Machine," as members call themselves, is made up of 48 musicians and 16 flag girls. These groups are under the direction of

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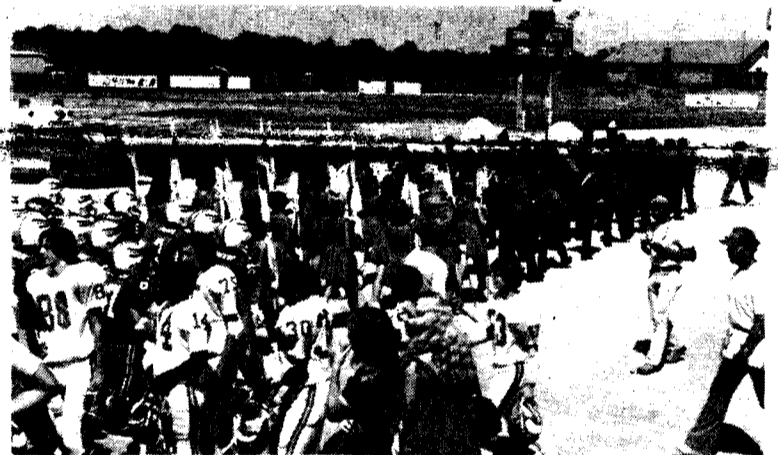
Mrs. Kandy Schoenholz, Mrs. Schoenholz is a new teacher this year and she has fielded many award-winning marching bands over the years in Southern California.

The band and flag girls are considering going to competition this year and have planned an end-of-the-year trip to Los

Angeles where they will march in the Disneyland Parade. Several members have been heard saying, "I can't wait!"

Please support the music

makers and come and hear them play. With good football and music power, Cordova will be a great place to spend a Saturday.



The Marching Band and Flag Team lead the football team onto the field.

Editor States Position

It's a little late to say 'welcome back to school' but it's still early as this year's Free Lancers go.

This year we're sure you'll notice several differences in the paper. First of all, the overall appearance will take on more of a magazine-type look. More and hopefully better pictures, different styles of page layouts, and more of the excellent artwork of John Haddad and others will be used. For the first time, also, a preview of what's inside will be on the front page.

Politically, the Free Lancer will be much more conservative than last year. We won't create issues, such as untimely editorials on homosexuality or outright blanket attacks on student council. Our job is to report the news, not to make our own.

We also hope to improve our sports coverage and all our stories in general.

Other than that, the Free Lancer will basically be the same—but please try to bear with us as our staff is small this year.

We do encourage and appreciate any comments, questions, or suggestions you may have.

We're hoping for a good year—and we hope you enjoy the Free Lancer.

Calendar Of Events

Today: Soph. Class Rep. Voting
27: 7:45 am Student Council
28 Float Building starts
30 Spirit Rally

OCTOBER

5 Student Council 2nd period
Senior Pictures
6 Senior Pictures
7 Senior Pictures
8 A.C.T. Test

HOMECOMING WEEK

10 Little Lancer Contest
C.O.P.S.—H&S dept.
6:30 Physicals cafe.
11 Little Lancer Contest
C.O.P.S.—H&S dept.
12 Little Lancer Contest
C.O.P.S.—H&S dept.
Color Day, Baby Picture Contest
13 Little Lancer Contest
Key Rally
D.A.T. Testing H&S dept.
14 Little Lancer Contest
Faculty Rally
D.A.T. Testing H&S dept.
6:00 Homecoming Parade

Poll Question

How do you feel about the music played in the mornings for the patriotic observance?



Julian Zackery, soph.: "It's alright."

Marilyn Flores, senior: "It's all right."

Heidi Lehman, junior: "I don't like it, I think it's stupid."

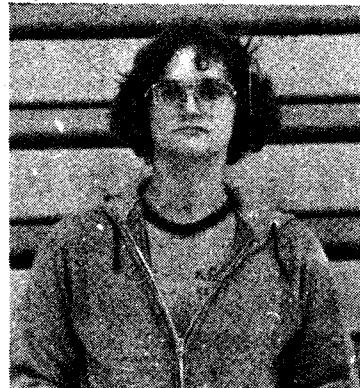
Kathy Dugan, senior: "I like the music because I like the National Anthem anyway."

Donni Nixon, junior: "I think it's sickening, ignorant."

Angie Downs, soph.: "I'm tired of standing and hate it."

Mrs. Stanford, teacher: "I believe if it's going we ought to stand for it."

Cara Hunter, soph.: "I think they should play a different song every day or none at all."



Steve Allen, senior: "I feel that I should be able to sit down if I want. I don't believe in 'one nation under God.'"



April Jackson, junior: "It's alright if that's what they want to hear. It doesn't bother me."

Brad Lueth, soph.: "I don't really care."

Columbus Johnson, soph.: "It's alright but they should bring it up to date."

Dave Jarboe, junior: "I think the band should play it instead of a record."

Karen Nelson, senior: "I don't. I don't really care."

Doug Hartson, senior: "I think it stinks!"

Hotlines...Hotlines...

This year the Free Lancer, on a trial basis, is charging 5 cents per hotline. If you would like to put a hotline in the next issue, please bring the hotline and 5 cents for each one to E-9 or any staff member.

To: Carl B:
If you only knew what I am going through, you wouldn't be doing this to me! "You know" I can't get over you. Please be mine!
From: Someone in love & misery

To: Terry and Paula:
You two be cool and keep it together! O.K. Remember what I told you, too!
Love: big sis

To: Phil Perez:
You sure are looking good! Stay sweet and fine!
From: Someone who likes you

To: George McClain:
You're kinda cute.
From: April

April:
Thank-you pain webber.
From: Tami

To: #61 on Varsity
You still catch my eye.
From: Watchful Senior

To: Mike (alias Stitches)
Too bad she graduated, huh?
From: The Italian Stallion

To J.R.
Don't stop trying to win D.D.'s heart or you'll be spineless for the rest of your life.
From: C.K.

To: Denice
Hope Bernice is behaving herself, if not swat her one.
From: ex-mama

To: Karri
Bernice is fine. Thank you very much.
From: Denice

To: Linda G.
You're not forgotten.
From: Friends

To: Sir
I.L.Y.V.M.
From: Ma'am

To Sharla Weatherman:
You're Looking Fine & I wish you were mine.
From: Interested
6th per. typing

To: Laura Lyons
You're a Fox!!! And you're being hunted.
Craig S.
4th per. English

To: H.W.
Welcome to CHS
From: Dedicated Student

To: H.W.
Doin' fantastic job.
From: Dedicated Student

To: all Mrs. Myers former students
It was a girl—Lisa.
From: The Stork

To: Denise, Donna and Steve
Welcome to Cordova! I hope you like it.
From: Marguerite

To: Dennis Hinz
Boy are you looking tall.
From: Ferbie

To: Zane
I miss you.
From: you know who

To: Gary
I want you back and love you much.
From: Colleen

To: all students
Get a CHS decal—only 35 cents. Football cushions—now only \$2.
All at Student store

To: Vicki Perez
Take the cachys home.
From: Rancho Cordova Locust

To: Bill Shepard:
When did you break up with B. Hoge?
From: The Gems

To: Bill Shepard:
When are you going to get a re-nap?
From: K., D., and M.

HOROSCOPES

Libra—This is a month for influencing people. Be thoughtful and please ones around you. Express yourself and be strong minded. Its time to adjust to new things good or bad.

Scorpio—Its time to accept people for who they are. Since you're a bit tense, don't try to deal with others emotions. Evenings are a time to enjoy.

Sagitaris—You may feel depressed, but getting involved will overcome it. Its the right time to pep up your personal life, but be careful in what you do. Daytime should be pleasant.

Capricorn—Three S's explain you this month, sensitivity, security and selfishness. Take each in stride or you may be at the wrong end of the stick. Consider others in your activities.

Aquarius—You're a little moody this month but don't worry, it'll change. It's a good time to state your opinion and make the best of your appearance.

Pisces—This is a good time to join a club and do something worthwhile. Feeling a little restless this month may change your mind about a lot. Evening is a time to relax.

Aries—Set personal aims this month. They may be reached slowly, but they will be reached. Its a good time to let out the humor you have built up inside. Good time to plan a party.

Taurus—Advice from friends and family may be good for you. Your personality is beautiful this month. In romance your ready for a change.

Gemini—It's a month to be social. Visiting friends may be worthwhile to you. Its about time for a vacation. Plan a trip.

Cancer—It's a good time to be closer to your family. Feeling important is meaningful to you right now. Be careful around close friends or you may be asking for trouble.

Leo—Success is the name of the game this month. Goals can be reached if you don't become lazy and slack off.

Virgo—It's time for improving. Don't delay things until it's too late. Be wise and take things one at a time. Show feelings for someone special.

Enrollment Declines

This year	Last year
10 - 842	10 - 800
11 - 764	11 - 791
12 - 701	12 - 692
Spring '77 2307	Fall '77 2283

A Big Shot

A person of importance. This slang use is quite recently developed within the current century, but it is a lineal descendent of a "big gun" dating from the middle of the last century, and which in turn sprang from the union of "a great gun" and "a big bug" of the early nineteenth century.

To Stab In The Back

We use this now always figuritively, to deliver a cowardly blow, physically or against ones own character, and we usually use it with reference to such a delivery by one who was thought to be friendly, or at least not suspected to be imical. The literal origin goes back to the times when footpads, with a dagger beneath the cape, would unconcernedly approach and pass an unsuspecting victim, quickly flash out the knife as the pedestrian was passing and thrust it into his back, grabbing his purse as he fell, and dashing away from the scene.

WARNING: This cartoon may be distasteful. !