

## Speakers Send Six To State

The NHS Speech Team traveled February 2 to Heath High School for the Tarhe District tournament and brought back SIX state qualifiers.

Going on to the state tournament March 1 & 2 will be **Renee Wentzel** in Original Oratory, Tim

*Burke in Prose*

Fisher & Alison Schridder and Kylie Hines & Mandy Holden.

The team set a school record by sending six to the state tournament. Also receiving a state alternate placing was Jill Sharp in Domestic Extemp.

## Social Sally Says "V-Day A Heartbreaker"

With Valentines Day fast approaching 1, Social Sally, decided that it was my Job to help you, my fine followers. make it through this so-called "holiday" unharmed.

I see no reason to fuss over a day that celebrates love. couples. and overall cheesiness. Unfortunately, it is unavoidable.

So. for those of us who will be spending this cheese day alone try your best not to be sucked into the Valentine's Day hoopla, and, like they say in a Heinze Ketchup commercial, good things came to those who wait.

For those of you who are spending this day with that someone special but are dreading searching for that perfect Valentine's Day gift, we suggest those little candy hearts, you know, the ones that say 'Be mine,' 'Hot chick,' and 'I love you' on them. Or, if you're feeling a bit on the racey side you could go for some red and white undergarments.

Please, for those of you eagerly anticipating this holiday, stay away from those of us who don't and save the cheese for later.

## Burke & Kline's Magazine Mock Session

Well, it's mock session time again, it's been more than a month since our last article, and we (Javan & Tim) have been hard at work doing research for this month's edition, which deals with girls' magazines.

First we take a look at the immensely popular YM. The first thought that came to our minds was, 'YM | reading this?' A few pages into the magazine we find a section dealing with girls' most embarrassing moments. EXCERPT:

I went out on a blind date with a hot hunk. As I got in his car, I fell out of my shirt. Then, my skirt fell down. I was

S000 embarrassed ...

I never heard from him again.

[5 stars]

Now obviously, someone who get into this type of situation falls far from the classification of 'Young & Modern.' As does anyone who gets enjoyment from reading this stuff.

And why didn't this guy call that girl back? What's his problem?

Moving on, we scrutinize *Seventeen*. A glance at the information shows a two year subscription is available. This is deranged, as you can only be 17 for one year. DUH. Unless *Seventeen* refers to the number of ads in the magazine, as in *Seventeen* = how many ads. In fact, we looked for an article to mock. but all we found were ads. And some horoscopes that basically stereotypes all guy, into two categories: DREAM BOYS (Javan & Tim fit into this category) and BAD NEWS BOYS (99.9% of all men, so they would have you think.) Most unrecommended for any girl who is like, cool & stuff.

And finally we take a glance at *Teen*

magazine. The title alone gets us all discombobulated. How old must you be to read this

'zine? Seventeen? Thirteen? 113? Eleventeen? Articles included ones praising the art of flirting (with testimonials from guys who either don't exist or have serious mental problems) and thought-provoking questions such as, 'Do you like to kiss on the first date?' And countless 'Guy of the year' nominees, More like DORK of the year it you ask us. *Teen* also has horoscopes, advising only virgos to send valentines. Shoddy advice, to v the least

## Guidance Reminds. Seniors

Guidance has been busy gathering dates and information for upcoming events. They will have all GPA's and rankings ready after February 1st. The ACT will be offered on February 3rd and again on April 13th. The twelfth grade proficiency tests have been scheduled or February 5th-9th. So remember to mark these important dates on your calendar of events for the upcoming months.

Four County applications. for sophomores are due in the guidance office on February 15th. If any sophomore needs an application, contact Mr. Merrill. *Anyone* who has college scholarships or applications to be mailed out from guidance, be sure to include the application, a check, and two stamps along. Allow guidance at least one week to send out the application.



Common to all magazines are stupid quizzes, like 'Is he using you?' Problem is, they require calculations, and math, and stuff. And if you're the type of girl who reads these magazines, well, it's too complicated for you. So don't even bother.

So the final overview is that girls' magazines are just plain silly. The only recommendation is that any guys restrain from reading any of these; you may find out more than you want to know.