

Planning Your Future

by Andre Oliveri
Seniors and juniors are now trying to decide what kinds of post high school education to select. Many are undecided and won't make their decisions for quite a while. Often, job trends come into play, because in choosing a college major or technical school, you are choosing a possible career.

Some fields are more crowded than others, such as teaching and the aerospace industry, while other are wide open such as accounting and city administration.

Of course, if you're especially good in anything, there are always openings to be found if you're talented enough. But many Liberal Arts majors and others take jobs for which they're both over qualified and under paid (e.g. a Ph.D. may be in a job formerly held by an M.A.; an M.A. in a B.A.'s job and so on).

There are many reasons for the changing job market. In the case of teaching, during the 1960's many teachers came out of the colleges and secured jobs. This, along with a declining birth rate, has caused a surplus of qualified teachers in most of the country. The field of Aerospace has a lack of openings due to fewer government grants for

research.

There are many factors that determine job trends, and things can change fast. New fields can open up just as quickly as others close. And although job trends shouldn't be over emphasized, it is a thing to be considered when choosing a college major, or for that matter, any post high school education.

Remember, there are always openings for that special individual with talent. So develop yours and find a job or you'll find yourself at the mercy of an ever changing job market as you enter the big bad world.

M.S.U.

by Darren Thomas

One of the many organizations in Stamford High is the Minority Student Union. It is unlike other clubs at S.H.S. in that it helps other organizations and school, such as Harlem Prep and the Yewood Center. Last year they gave the Yewood Center clocks and Harlem Prep \$100.

The officers are president Debbie Banks, 1st vice president Karen Isaac, recording secretary Mary Bradford treasurer Rochelle Armstead and advisor Mrs. Blu.

At the end of the year they will go on trips with the money that they've made during the year.

We hope the M.S.U. has a successful year.

Swimming

by Gwen Rothchild

So far this season the boys' swim team hasn't done very well, but this doesn't mean they should be counted out. According to managers Agnes Liptak, Sue Morrison and Betsy Kirhoffer and Coach Gary Bloom, the team does show some promise.

This year's captains are Adam Liptak, Chris Brainard and Dave Morris. This is Adam's second year on the team competing in the breast stroke and 50 yard sprints. Chris swims both back stroke and freestyle. Dave is a distance swimmer, but has seen limited action this year.

Two other promising natators are junior Terry Bowes in the butterfly and backstroke, and Freshman butterflyer Brian Brown.

When asked about the outlook for the remaining meets, Coach Bloom said, "We hope for a good finish. This year we will be building for the future. There are many freshmen and sophomores in the talent pool and now it's up to their individual efforts."

There are home meets at the Westhill pool every Friday in January so come out and support the team.

