



# Crossroads



Archbishop Wood High School for Boys

Warmister, Penna.

## Splinters

The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude/National Merit Scholarship Test will be held on Saturday, October 22nd. The purpose of this test is to measure the mathematical and verbal reasoning skills of the juniors who take the exam.

The PSAT is a preview for the SAT (College Boards) which help determine admission to college. In addition, the PSAT/NMSQT serves as a test for the more than 5400 scholarships which the National Merit Scholarship Corporation expects to offer in 1985.

The Guidance Office offers a book to help Juniors prepare for the test. This book contains sample questions from old PSATs. The book is free, but the test costs 6.00 dollars. This fee will be collected on October 12-14.

The latest contribution of the Parents' Association of Wood is the library carpeting. Ms. Asura commented: "This is one of the most practical things that could have been done." The carpeting is part of the parents' continuing capital improvement program. The next issue will detail the Association's contributions to the school.

## Viking Drive

### \$ 32,000 83-84 goal

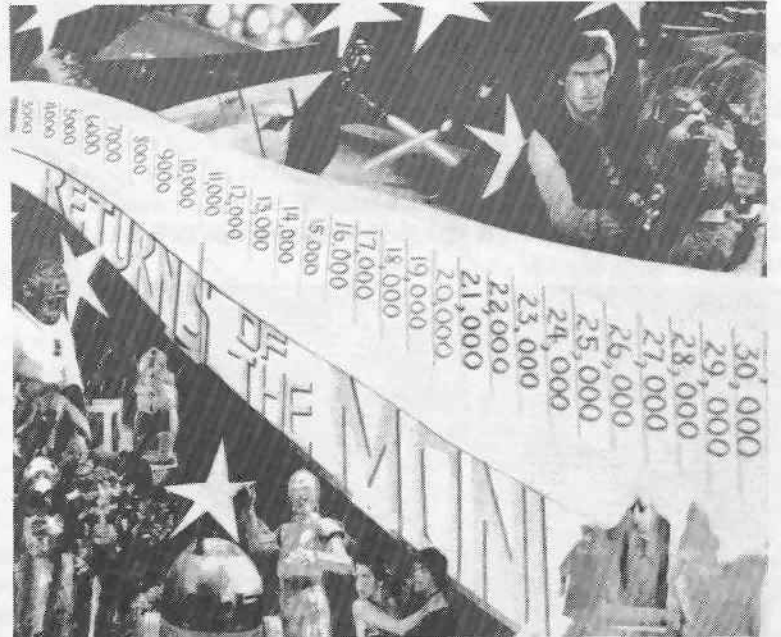
Archbishop Wood's Annual Viking Drive was officially opened on Friday, September 30, with the distribution of five tickets to each student, and concluded on Monday, October 24, the date of the first drawing. Rev. James Kiernan, C.M., Principal and director of this Drive, stated that "this year's goal is \$32,000, a goal which is very reachable."

Each ticket contains twenty-five chances to win, for only five dollars. There are to be five drawing dates beginning October 24 and continuing every Monday morning through November 21. On each of these days, five winners will be drawn from all of the ticket stubs which were returned, each receiving a predetermined cash prize between twenty-five and three hundred dollars. The final drawing's prizes range between fifty and one thousand dollars.

The entire student body had many incentives to sell their chances. Any seller of a winning ticket will receive a cash prize as indicated on every chance. Aside from this, Father Kiernan adds that "all students who sold their

five allotted tickets receive a day-off, designated as the Monday following Thanksgiving Day, those who sold ten may choose a second day-off, and any individual who sold fifteen tickets will be excused from the dress code for a period of one week." There were also prizes for top homeroom and seller in each grade, top ten overall sellers, as well as a new prize added just this year: anyone who sells over a hundred dollars worth of chances will be treated to a 1984 Phillies game.

The proceeds of this chance drive benefit the student activities program. As our principal stated, "No activity is self-sufficient." The costs of field rentals, referees, and sporting equipment is far greater than what is yielded by admission fees to the particular sporting events. Traveling expenses need to be paid for the teams, as well as for the Mathletes. The National Honor Society needs money to sponsor the annual Honors Convocation, and finally, this issue of Crossroads would be impossible without the payment of publication fees.



## 284 at Mass

# Seniors Receive Class Rings at St. Robert's

by John Brace

The 1983 Archbishop Wood Boys Ring Mass was held on Friday, September 23 at 7:00 pm. The mass was held at St. Robert Bellarmine Church in Warrington.

The theme of this special mass for seniors was "Memories on which to build Faith and Life," and the main celebrant, Rev. Jack Timlin, C.M., stressed this in his homily.

The Senior homeroom representatives brought up the gifts at communion time. These gifts consisted of the bread, water, and wine, and the seniors' rings.

The Student Council Officers also contributed to the mass with David Bateman providing a strong voice for the readings.

After mass had ended the

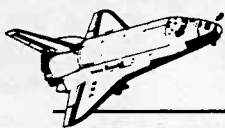
seniors assembled into a line by homeroom section and proceeded onwards to receive their rings at the altar. When all the seniors had received their rings many of them, along with their parents, continued the celebration by reporting to the parish hall for refreshments. These refreshments were provided through the generosity of our Parents' Association.

The most popular type of ring was the gold with the yellow stone, but there were also many other types chosen. White with the peridot stone and the gold with the black stone also were very popular.

The Ring Mass is the first senior activity participated in this year by the seniors as a group, something that will go on until their graduation in June of 1984.

## THE RIGHT STUFF: THE SPACE SHUTTLE STUDENT INVOLVMENT PROGRAM

Design an experiment for the NASA Shuttle Program to be used on a future mission. Winners get to go to Florida to watch a launch, and everyone gets a certificate of participation. For more information, contact your Science teacher.



### NSTA-NASA

## Steven T. Peters Named Disciplinarian

by Joe Chirik

Steve Peters, who may have been the only anti-vivisectionist biology teacher, has become our new Disciplinarian. Whether he is called the "Student Personnel Director" or the "Disciplinarian", he feels that the students will always view him as a disciplinarian, no matter what his title is. Contrary to his rough exterior, Peters is a very concerned individual. In the past, being true to his antivivisectionist philosophy, he did not permit his biology students to dissect animals or insects, and he is always referring to his concern for life in general.

Mr. Peters has been at Wood for fourteen years. Previously, he was a Vocational Agriculture in-

structor at a high school in northern Burlington County (N.J.). He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Animal Husbandry from Delaware Valley College. Also, Peters has educational credits from Temple University.

With regards to his philosophy on discipline, he says: "The students ought to be accountable for what they do. However, I do not hold grudges against anyone." He also believes that teenagers haven't changed since he was one. Mr. Peters believes that, "People may tolerate more these days, while teenagers are still the same." Mr. Peters also thinks he has only modified past policies regarding the actions of the student body. The faculty has helped Mr. Peters in the Discipline Office,

and he greatly appreciates this.

Out side of school, Mr. Peters is extremely active. Although he is no longer coaching wrestling at La Salle College, he is still an active PIAA referee. In the past, Mr. Peters coached wrestling and football here at Wood.

As most of us know, Mr. Peters is an avid racing fan. His racing interests range from being a spectator to photographing the races. He is a contributing photographer for National Speed Sport News, in which he has had many photos published. Mr. Peters is also a flagman at Nazareth Speedway. In an upcoming Crossroads issue, be watching for an analysis of this year's racing season, written by Steve Peters.



Mr. Steven T. Peters

