Extra-Curricular Activities

Green & Gold Gazette

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These columns stressed inner affairs of the school, athletic, social and personal progress of the students. Teachers made special appeals to the parents to see their children had clean hands as hand inspections were taking so much time. Tardiness and absenteeism were big problems stressed in these columns.

In 1926 the students had a school paper, "The M.H.S. Magnavox." Helen Hurst was editor. Six issues were published, the seventh ready for the press when financial difficulties arose.

"M.H.S. Antagonist" was published. These papers alternated publication of the three column paper every two weeks. Flora Bickle was editor and Bob Harned associate editor.

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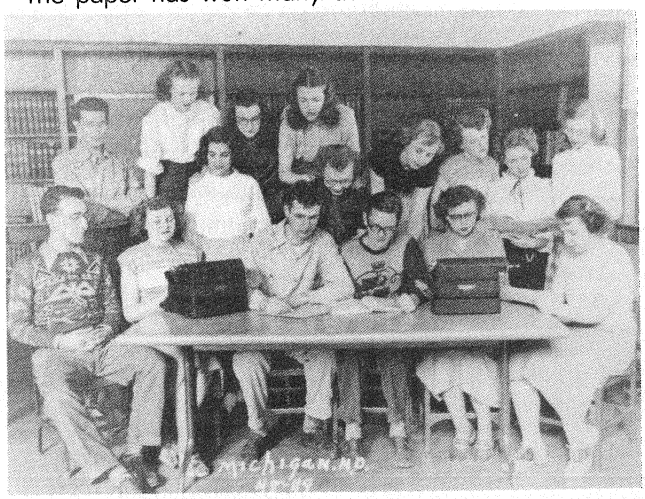
The first issue of the Green and Gold Gazette appeared on January 20, 1933 with Frank Young as editor and Arnold (Ace) Cecka as staff advisor. The newsroom was in the school basement.

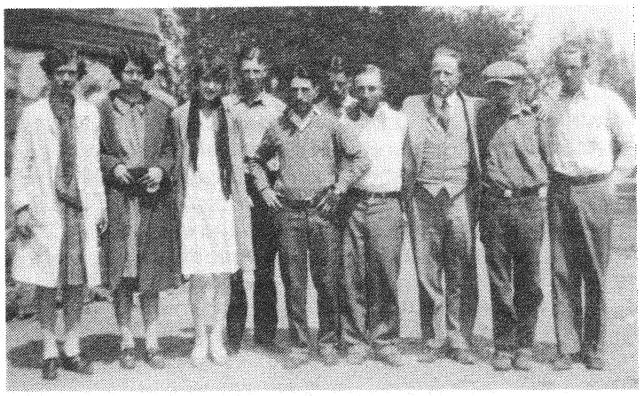
The paper has won many awards as have individuals for journalistic and artistic contributions. Honors were awarded the Gazette in 1939 with Rita Desautels as editor and first place in 1940 with Floyd Jallo as editor. Frances Ridl was editor in 1941 when it was presented the Sigma Delta Chi Trophy. In the early 1950's the paper received excellent ratings and Denise Lamb won first with a cartoon entry and Margaret Lamb with a feature story.

In the 1980's the paper is published one every six to nine weeks.



1948-49 Paper staff
Back row-Cliff Peterson, Phyllis Orwick, Kathleen Hofer, JoAnn Just, Melba Moen, Janet Orvik, Marilyn Hendrickson, Mary Lou Anderson.
Front row- Jerome Hofer, Ruth Helling, Reine Desautel, Bill Hall, Marlys Lillehaugen, Eunice Behm & Jean Ann Lamb

Members of newswriting class published special edition of the Arena in 1932.
Top row, Gertie Abrahamson, Mary Louise Schieffert, Agnes Sathre, Vern Hamilton, Leslie Bickle, Loyd Wright, Glen Foote,
Bottom row, Floris Bickle, Mary Ellen Hedican, Robert Harned, Frank Young, Kenneth Bong, George Danda, Arnold Cecka, instructor.



Newswriting class of MHS
Amelia Hokanson, Esther Hokanson, Ruth Johnson, Carl Narum, Geo Haynes, Leslie Bickle, Oscar Hall, Prof. Redmond, Chas. Stenson & Leland Larson

Annual

The newswriting class of 1936-37 edited the first MHS annual. It was called the MHS Barker, a name chosed by Sidney Hauge. Fifty copies were printed and sold for $1.00 each. Advertising sold amounted to $27.50 which covered the cost of production. Supt. M.R. Lazenby was in charge of the photography. It was published every two years.

In 1975 the students resumed the editing of a yearbook. The staff attends workshops to help them with ideas in composition and photography. A faculty advisor guides the staff in editing the annual and assisting in the money making projects sponsored to defry expenses. Cost of publication has risen over the years to $2,183 for 120 copies of a 72 page annual. They sell for $11.00 a copy.