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LOCAL SCHOOL BUDGET '73-'74 An Editorial

The Andover Central School Proposed Budget for 1973-74 appears on page 2 & 3 of this week's issue of The Andover News.

School Board Members and Officials have spent a great many evenings, and many, many more hours than ever before, preparing this budget. Cuts have been made where ever possible without cutting down on essential Educational Standards. They are having it published so that you Taxpayers will have plenty of time to study it before the Annual School Meeting. They have broken it down and simplified it as much as possible so that you can see where they money will be spent. They have even gone to the trouble to set it up so that interested Taxpayers can compare the figures with previous year's budgets and expenditures.

And, Harold Weibezahl, ACS Supervising Principal, has taken the time and trouble to come down to the News Office and go over the entire budget in detail with us.

Yes, the 1973-74 budget is up considerably and has no provisions for a planned balance. The major cost increases total \$29,598.49 — but, with cuts made over last year's expenditures, the total operating budget represents an increase of only \$28,422.68 over last year's operating budget and, this with \$12,082.46 less income than last year!

Major items causing this increase include: Debt Service — raise of \$7,520.59 which includes roof repairs and an additional \$5,000 on capital construction note; an increase in operation & maintenance of the School of \$1,107.50 due to raising cost of supplies, gas for heating, etc.; an increase of \$1,478.76 in transportation cost, here again due to raising costs for supplies and materials of which gasoline is the major item; and, of course, the huge jump in Employees Benefits due to the increase of — \$3,569.71 in Teachers and Employees retirement; \$12,018.30 in Social Security; and \$2,474.52 in Health Insurance. Altogether, just these few items that we have listed above amount to a total of \$28,169.38 — which is practically the total amount of the tax increase. These are items that the Board has no control over — and can not be changed.

The estimated figures in the budget are as close as can be arrived at without knowing what the exact figures will be as far as total assessed valuation is concerned, and the exact salaries of the teachers that are currently under negotiation.

We, ourselves, have no children in School and if we looked at the budget from a selfish standpoint of view, might be tempted to suggest cutting down on some of the services, which in turn would, or could, harm the whole curriculum. Looking at things objectively, just where, or how, could any further cuts be made — and still give our young people the type of Education they need in order to compete with students in other Schools?

In fact, we feel that we are fortunate to live here in Andover instead of elsewhere in the County after checking up on the School Taxes in other communities. According to Tax Records, Andover was next to the lowest in 1972-73 with a Tax Rate of 14.68 on True Value compared to 13.98 for the lowest and 27.83 for the highest.

Thus, in our opinion, we are forced to come to the conclusion that the budget is a fair budget, that just about all of the cuts have been made that are possible without cutting down on our grade of Education offered to the children of our Community without an immediate threat of forced consolidation with any other School or Schools that is under consideration in Albany by the State Education Department — and that the only thing that we have left is to pay what is needed.

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Dear Mr. Allen,
Thank you for letting us come and visit the newspaper office. We had fun at the newspaper office. Sincerely,

Wanda Ordway
Mrs. Marsh's Third Grade

14 Water St.
Andover, New York 14806
6/20/73

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Allen,
I don't know where to begin because everything was so interesting.

We liked it when your wife did the machine.

As I remember you said that machine was pretty old.

You have a lot of interesting machines.

Well, so long.
Your friend,
Sharon Davis
Mrs. Harders' Third Grade

SALUTE TO AMERICA

In gratitude for the following reasons:

1 The wonderful spirit of "Togetherness" shown to everyone in Andover during Hurricane Agnes.

2 The honor due America as the greatest and grandest and freest land the world has ever known.

3 The generosity of our people contributing to the different drives such as Cancer, Red Cross, Heart Fund, Mental Health, Cystic Fibrosis for the Bible says — "Blessed is he who considers the poor" Psalm 41-1.

The Bible also says — "God will bless and prosper a nation for generations to come if only the people will turn to him."

Also — If you forget the Lord your God — I warn you this day that you shall surely perish. Deuteronomy 8-19.

Lately American institutions have been under attack and we have listened, while small groups have disrupted many things, desecrated our flag and many other things. The American system is in deep trouble because we have mixed up our values.

The men, who signed the Declaration of Independence based their beliefs in a book called "The Bible" giving us freedoms, which most of the world thought impossible to fulfill.

America needs to, again, wave the flag, which belongs to all Americans of every color and faith.

As America faces moral deterioration from within and dangers from abroad, a spiritual revival, as in times past, could be the answer.

Let's all count our Many Blessings by going to church on Sunday thus bringing America back to our beginning belief — One Nation Under God and In God We Trust.

A Concerned Andover Citizen

25th Annual Church Music Institute To Be Held July 8 Thru 13

The 25th Annual Church Music Institute sponsored by the Cananda Chapter of the American Guild of Organists will be held at Alfred University July 8 thru 13.

Under the direction of Dr. Melvin Le Mon, professor of music emeritus at Alfred, the institute will feature lectures, workshops and concerts by organist George Markey; Walter Klaus of the music faculty at C. W. Post College; Alice M. Wilson, supervisor of music for the Toronto Public School System; and Alinda B. Couper, practitioner and teacher of the art of English handbells.

The institute's opening concert at 8 p. m. July 8 will present the Freeborn Chorale, a youth group

NOTICE!

The Firemen will be taking up a collection again this year during the Fireworks. The reason for this is mainly to offset the expenses of next year's Fireworks. Lions Club Members have graciously volunteered to help take up the collection.

All Firemen and Lions Club Members taking up the collection will be identified by either a Firemen's Hat or Firemen's Boot. Your past and continued cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Yanks Trip Cards 15 - 7

The Yanks clinched at least a tie for the championship Wednesday night by taking the Cards 15 - 7.

Daren Monahan started for the Yanks and went 3 Innings to get the win. Daren surrendered 5 runs, 5 hits, 5 walks and picked up 4 strikeouts. Kelvin Ordway finished up for the Yanks, allowing 2 runs, 3 hits, 1 walk and 4 strikeouts.

George Milligan went the first 3 Innings for the Cards and got tagged with the loss. George's record was 11 runs, 8 hits, 7 walks and 2 strikeouts. John Gavin relieved and gave up 4 runs, 2 hits, 4 walks and 1 strike-out.

The Yanks offense was as follows: Tim Slade 1 single, and 1 run, Aaron Russell 1 double and 3 runs, Pat Atwell 1 double, 1 single and 2 runs, Dave Nevol 1 single and 1 run, Kevin Ordway 2 singles and 1 run, Doug Weitzel 1 single and 1 run, Daren Monahan 2 singles and 2 runs, Tim Moran 3 runs and John Hardy 1 single and 1 run.

The Cards were led by John Gavin's Home Run, single and 1 run scored. Other Cards who figured in the offense were Guy Baker 1 single, Tony Dougherty 1 triple, 1 double and 2 runs, Rob Davis 1 single, Paul Joyce 1 run, Donny Clemens 1 double and 2 runs and Monte Milligan 1 single.

The game marked the return of Doug Weitzel who has been out the complete season with a broken arm.

The Yank record for the season is final with 10 wins — 4 losses. The Cards wound up with 2 wins and 12 losses.

Cuba Over Andover 5 - 4

Babe Ruth Baseball at Cuba, Friday, June 29th, Calvin Shaw pitched good enough to win as he allowed Cuba just 1 hit, walked 1 and struck out 10 in 6 Innings.

Gary Barden pitched the 7th and allowed 1 more hit. So, with a total of two base hits, neither of which figured in the scoring it was a tough loss for Andover. The boys were guilty of 6 errors.

Getting hits for Andover were Steve Scott 3 - 4, Louie Spencer 2 - 4, and Rob Hyland, Calvin Shaw, Doug Preston and Dale Russell all with 1 hit.

Our next game is Thursday, July 5th at home against Belmont.

New York State ranks second to Wisconsin in production of the soft type, Italian cheeses.

sponsored by the Western New York Methodist Church Conference. The group's performance, at the Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church in the Village of Alfred, is open to the area public without charge.

The church will also be the setting for an organ recital by George Markey on July 10 and a choral concert on July 12. Both presentations will begin at 8 p. m., with the area public invited to attend.

In addition to Le Mon, the institute staff includes the Reverend Richard A. Hasler of Hornell, chaplain; Mrs. Jane O. Le Mon, hostess; and Mrs. Lois Boren Scholes, the institutes' founder, director emeritus.

Library News

"And Quiet Flows The Don" by Mikhail Aleksandrovich Sholokhov
"The Rest of the Robots", by Isaac Asimov

"Now and Then" by Emily Kimbrough
"Total War", by Peter Calvocoressi

"Life", by Paul F. Brandwein
"Wiring the World", by U. S. News and World Report

"From the Land and Back", by Curtis K. Stadfeld

"Veterans" — U. S. — Laws and Legislation

"The Vantage Point", by Lyndon Baines Johnson

"Pueblo Designs", by Harry Percival Mera

"The Snowshoe Book", by William Osgood

"Portrait of Spain", by Tad Szulc

"The Complete Guide to Beekeeping", by Roger A. Morse

"The Hidden Northwest", by Robert Cantwell

"The Tower of London in the History of England", by Alfred Leslie Rowse

Little League All-Stars Picked

At the end of the regular season we have a tie for 1st place.

The Mets and Yanks each finished with 10 wins and 4 losses. The play-off for the title will take place Thursday, July 5 unless for some reason either team has a valid reason for a postponement. If so, the game will be played as soon thereafter as possible.

We in Little League again want to thank everyone for their fine support during the season. We especially want to thank Dale Green for taking pictures of each team. The managers will pass these pictures out when the uniform is turned in.

The All-Stars have been selected and are as follows:

Marty Geer
Ron Glover
Eric MacMichael
Arnie Spencer
Joe Howland
Dave Nevol
Pat Atwell
Doug Weitzel
Kevin Ordway
Aaron Russell
Guy Milligan
George Milligan
Tony Dougherty
Jay Jackson
Rex Vosburg

The Manager of the All-Star Team is Pat Howland. Merle Brown and Ken Milligan are the Coaches.

The Manager and Coaches wish to announce that if a player misses 2 practices without a valid reason, he is subject to removal from the squad. The player must get prior clearance from one of these 3 men in order to miss practice. If for some reason a player is removed from the squad the Manager and Coaches will name a replacement.

Lets all get behind our team and wish them the best of luck during the tournament.

Plans for other games are incomplete as of yet but we are trying to arrange games with other villages.

July 21st will be the starting date for the Annual Little League Tournament. Seven teams have accepted invitations to participate in this year's Tournament: Scio, Arkport, Friendship, Alfred-Almond, Addison, Genesee and Belmont

Andover Zips Cuba 3 - 0

In Babe Ruth action Thursday night, Andover picked up their 5th win against one loss.

Louie Spencer pitched 2 hit baseball for 6 Innings and then the rain came. Spencer struck out 7 and walked 4. Calvin Shaw was the big hitter as he went 2 for 2. Dale Russell had a double and Jay MacMichael and Gary Barden both with singles.