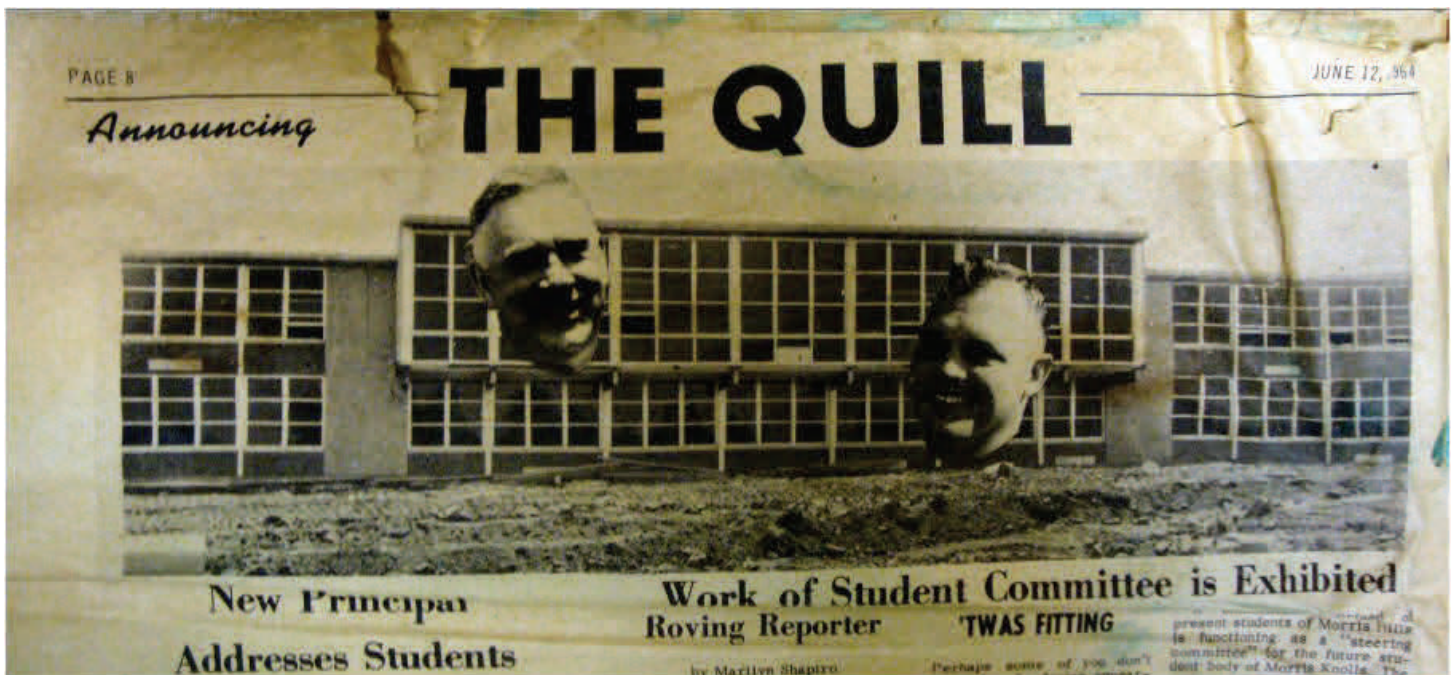




The first Morris Knolls Newspaper - The Quill - was published on June 12, 1964, before the school opened. It was published on the last page of The Hilltopper - Morris Hills Newspaper.

On top of the page you will see the front of Morris Knolls HS. On the left is Superintendent of Schools Nathan Gifford and Principal Bob Dikon.



New Principal Addresses Students

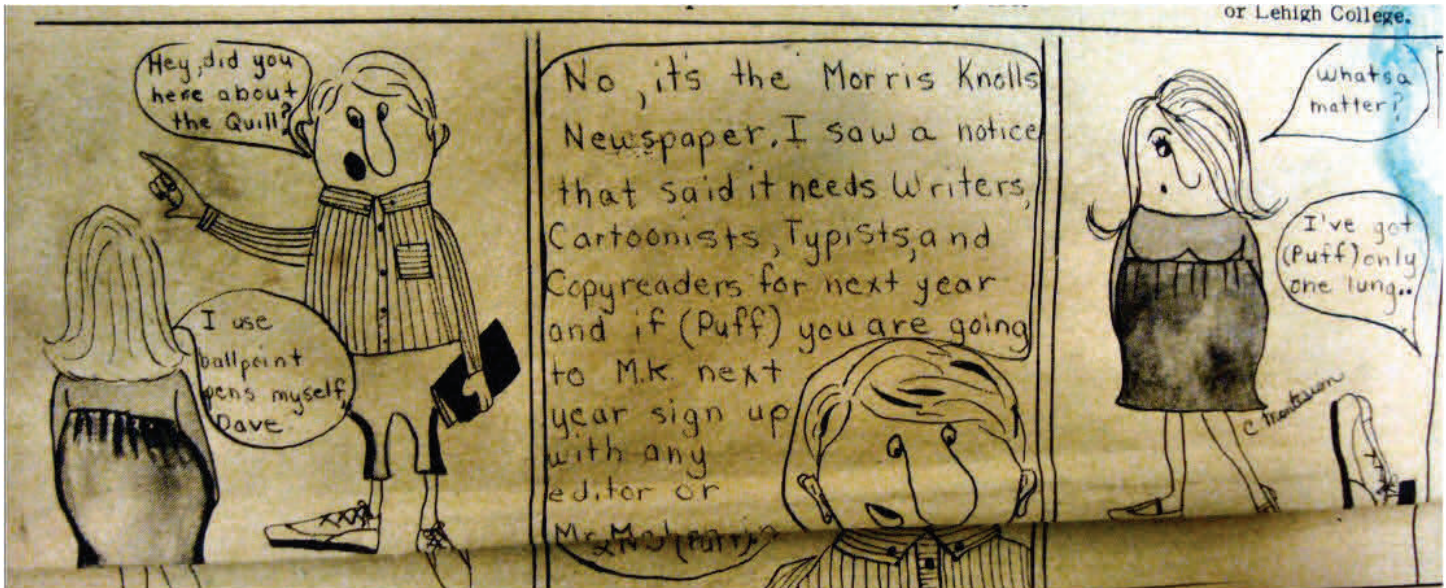
It certainly will be a pleasure to work with you for the development of a finer educational program at Morris Knolls High School next year. You will agree with me that the opportunity to move into a brand new building is a privilege that few of us ever experience. The decisions we make, the work we engage in, the habits we develop during our early years will set the pace for each succeeding group of students who will attend Morris Knolls in the years to come. Through your enthusiasm, interest, drive, and desire, you will build a fine school. We will enjoy times of fun and relaxation, of victory and defeat, and of success and failure. Be proud of your school, your teachers, and yourself.

Participate in academic and extra-curricular activities to the fullest extent of your ability. You will realize a far greater return on your investment of time and energy by developing your talents and using your time in the interests of molding your school into one of the finest in the State of New Jersey. Always think in terms of what you may contribute in service to your fellow student, your teacher, and your school, and this attitude will become contagious and infect the entire student body.

Many of you have registered a twinge of sorrow at the thought of leaving Morris Hills, and well you should. However, let's not look backward and live in the past. Let's look forward and build for the future. Your spirit and will power to accomplish a worth-while goal in life will help to build Morris Knolls into the school you will be most reluctant to leave upon graduation in the future.

Robert Dikon,
Principal

See you in September.



Roving Reporter

by Marilyn Shapiro

If you are a freshman or a sophomore, and Morris Knolls will be your school next year, what would be your answer if you were asked how you liked the idea? Here are some of the opinions from Morris Knolls-bound students:

TOM LEGITT, SOPHOMORE: It's all right, except that the sports will be a little messed up. It'll kind of break up the four years a little bit.

KATHY KEPNER, SOPHOMORE: I like it because it's something new and we like building a new school.

KATHY STRAUSS, SOPHOMORE: I like it. I don't know why, I just do.

ANONYMOUS, SOPHOMORE: I think it's stupid!

RALPH AMATO, SOPHOMORE: I don't know. I really couldn't say. We won't have the same stuff.

ELAINE WHITE, SOPHOMORE: I like it. I think it'll be better because everyone will get to know each other. You can do more in a small school.

MIKE SENGEY, SOPHOMORE: It's gonna' be a lot better than Morris Hills.

FRANCIS McCUDDEN, FRESHMAN: I don't know. I'd rather stay here.

'T WAS FITTING

Perhaps some of you don't realize that the design appearing on the Morris Knolls junior ring is the work of a member of the Class of '66. He is Craig McClain, fifteen, who stated that he wanted to create something which would be representative of the state, the school, and its activities. How did it happen? It began about a month ago when the members of the special Morris Knolls student committee were asked to think about an appropriate design for the ring. Craig finished his winning design in about two and one half hours.

Apparently art is not a particularly interesting field as his interest lies in all kinds of histories and languages, particularly German. While in high school, Craig plans to take as much of these subjects as possible.

Besides being interested in these academic subjects, Craig spends much of his time participating in "out of school" sports. This year his interest lies primarily in cross-country, baseball, and basketball.

During the summer, Craig stated, he probably will work as a caddy at the Rockaway River Country Club and swim.

Although unsure about the future, Craig expressed a desire to study at Princeton or Lehigh College.

A committee comprised of present students of Morris Hills is functioning as a "steering committee" for the future student body of Morris Knolls. The main purpose of this group was to formulate plans for Morris Knolls and to see to the entire welfare of the Morris Knolls student body. Chosen for their leadership potential, and because they are to become members of Morris Knolls, they are currently involved in school activities which represent all areas. The group, having met eight times after school, has discussed the following items which have been decided by the majority vote of the entire student body:

1. School colors - green, gold, and white.
2. School mascot Golden Eagle.
3. Nickname for sports teams - The Eagles.
4. Yearbook name - The Talon.
5. Newspaper name - The Quill.

The committee worked on the Alma Mater, the S.G.A. organization, and met with representatives from various ring companies to choose style class ring.

Facts on Morris Knolls Revealed

"The new high school will duplicate, as much as possible, the educational offerings available at Morris Hills, in both curriculum and extra curricular areas," Mr. Dikon stated.

Just so you can be "in the know", we have decided to relate a few additional vital bits of information.

There will be no mighty senior class to rule knowledgeable Knolls in the opening school year of '64-'65. The Morris Knolls student body will be approximately 40% as large as the present population of Morris Hills.

A Student Orientation Day is being scheduled prior to the official opening in September for the entire Morris Knolls student body. Doesn't that bring back "fond" freshman memories?

The school calendar will be identical to that of Morris Hills.

The athletic fields will not be ready for use this coming fall. Mr. Dikon predicts that spring may find the fields completed. Patience is a virtue!

Here are some of the important events that have already been scheduled for next year at the new school:

Sport's Night -- will be held next May.

First dramatic presentation - December '64.

Golden Eagle's Concert Band - first performance in fall or early winter. The uniforms are to consist of green slacks and jackets, trimmed in white and gold.

Other events will be scheduled later in the year.

Oil burner repairs will be the only vocational offering which

will be expanded to a two-year course in the immediate future. Courses in air-conditioning and refrigeration are being considered for the following year.

Most important of all, The Quill, Morris Knolls student newspaper, is making its debut in this issue of The Hilltopper. Cherish it!

The class rings, which were selected on May 14 and May 20 by students attending Morris Knolls next year, have been ordered. The chosen stone is an oval emerald.

Morris Knolls gymnasium will seat 1400 students; Morris Hills presently accommodates slightly more than 1000.

"Men occasionally stumble over the truth, but most of them pick themselves up and hurry off as if nothing had happened." Churchill.

Eight freshman and sophomore representatives are delegates to this committee, a 10:6 ratio, respectively from Denville and Rockaway Township.

Grade 9 - Rockaway Township; James Chiarella, Art Tole, Linda Goytll.

Grade 10 - Denville; Connie Genug, Kenneth Hughes, Bob Musko, Craig McClain, Doug Welsh.

Grade 10 - Rockaway Township; Andrea Burge, Linda Fosse Mark Nilssen.

Grade 9 Denville; Jo Ann Asparas, Kieth Lyding, John Headley, Judith Spinola, Linda Gardener.



Hidden away in one of the rooms of Morris Knolls is the corner stone, pictured above. To be laid before the building is finished, it will contain a list of all the students in the first classes to attend the school. Plans are now being made for the actual date of the ceremony, which promises to be both impressive and historical.

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