



Special photo

Adair selects Presbyterian

Dunwoody three-sport star Jessi Adair has signed a national letter-of-intent to play soccer on the college level at Presbyterian. Present at the signing ceremony are; front row from left, Marian Adair - Jessi's mother, Jessi Adair and Chuck Adair - Jessi's father; and back row from left, Decatur athletic director William Faulkner, Decatur head girls soccer coach Jon Reese and Decatur principal Karen Eldridge.

Soviet Educators Visit DeKalb As Part Of Conference

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DeKalb teachers and students recently had opportunity to share in a 12-day visit of Soviet educators from Moscow and Leningrad. Throughout their stay in Georgia, the Russians engaged in a series of meetings at Georgia State University and Dunwoody High School, as well as visited at Peachtree Junior High and DeKalb's Kittredge Magnet. The culminating event was a day long international conference at Tucker High School.

These representatives from the Soviet Academy of Pedagogical Sciences came to the metro-Atlanta area as the second segment of a three-year program of teacher exchanges and collaborative work on a Global Thinking Project, jointly sponsored by Georgia State University and the Soviet Academy. Last year, DeKalb teachers had traveled to the Soviet Union and Dunwoody High School had welcomed a return group from Russia.

This unique cross-cultural curriculum Global Thinking Project was presented at the international conference held this year at Tucker High. Prior to the business of the day, they were greeted as guests at a breakfast reception in the media center. Flags of the two countries and many peace signs decked the building. The Tucker band played the two national anthems.

Nine Tucker students who speak Russian fluently and students from DeKalb's Foreign Language Magnet acted as interpreters where needed. The visitors distributed gifts brought from their native land -- nests of little carved wooden dolls, posters and even a tape of Beatle Paul McCartney singing in Russian.

Host coordinator, Tucker Assistant Principal Kay Burke said, "It was a warm, wonderful experience. Memorable! It carried out perfectly the theme of the day: 'A Bridge to Understanding.'"

Approximately 65 Georgia educators as well as DeKalb staff members and students shared the morning sessions that focused on "Teaching and Learning in Soviet Schools." Afternoon sessions addressed a range of topics and rap sessions on the teaching of Russian/American literature in each country, the crisis in math/science, comparative research on how Soviet and American teachers perceive the goals of education, and a report on the U.S./U.S.S.R. Global Thinking Project. Ultimately, a teachers resource book on global thinking will emerge under joint authorship.

Well aware that all work and no play might make Ivan a dull visit, sightseeing events were also included in the cultural interchange. The calendar for the visiting Soviets featured evenings at the Fox Theater and a Hawks basketball game as well as trips to Dahlenega and Amicolola Falls and tours of the High Museum and the Carter and King Centers.

DeKalb is one of three Atlanta-area school systems participating in an analysis of common areas of agreement of educational goals endorsed by U.S. and Soviet educators. DeKalb schools involved are Vanderlyn Elementary, Peachtree Junior High School and Dunwoody High (a demonstration school).

Dunwoody principal Jennie Springer was recognized as one of

the pilot school administrators providing initial support for the research study survey conducted under the leadership of nationally known educator John Goodlad.

Conference on book

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Computer Demons Tooted

Peachtree Junior High student LaShanda Paul, (at computer) demonstrates her skills to Professor Simon Vershlovsky (standing) of the Leningrad Research Institute and Professor Irina Yakimanskaya (foreground) of the Moscow Research Institute.

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Presidential scholar

A Dunwoody High School student is one of 141 outstanding seniors across the country selected as Presidential Scholars.

Thomas Cisewski, of the DeKalb County school, and Karen Kagiyama of Northside High School in Macon are the only two Georgians on the list.

They will get a three-day trip to Washington, a \$1,000 award and a medalion commemorating their designation as scholars by the president.

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DeKalb Scholarship Recipients Honored

Two DeKalb seniors awarded \$500 scholarships by Alpha Kappa Gamma Society were Mary Margaret Chilton, left, Stone Mountain High School, and Adolph Goldenburg, Dunwoody High. Both are children of math teachers and both have made teaching their career choice as well. The recipients and their parents were honored at a March dinner meeting of the society. Mary Margaret's mother, Helen Chilton, is head of the math department at Towers High School. Adolph's father, Adolph Goldenburg, is a retired math/accounting teacher from the Atlanta School System, who was also an instructor in Arabic at Georgia Tech. The Stone Mountain senior will attend the University of Georgia and pursue a course of study leading to certification as a math teacher and/or counselor. The Dunwoody senior plans to major in history at Oglethorpe College and follow his father's profession as an educator.

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Dunwoody senior named 4th District STAR student

Joel Simon Grus is this year's STAR student for the 4th Congressional District

"This is a really big honor," the 17-year-old Dunwoody High School senior said Tuesday at the award luncheon for the district.

In recognition of the Dunwoody student's honor, the chairman of the Student Teacher Achievement Recognition (STAR) program for the 4th District, **Bill Hawes**, presented Joel with a \$500 check at the Stone Mountain Rotary Club. Local businesses fund the award.

The STAR program chose Joel from among four students in the district with the highest scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test in their school systems. The district award qualifies him to compete for a \$1,000 scholarship at the state level this spring.

"Joel is the kind of student that's going to succeed," said chemistry teacher **Barbara Broadway**, who won a \$125 check as her student's STAR teacher. "He's a really gifted problem solver."

The other three students recognized Tuesday are **Kevin Scott Mathews** of Decatur High School, **Louis Leon Goldberg** of Rockdale County High School and **Joshua Peter Jackson** of Newton County High School.

Marist School senior **Holly Feldman** of Atlanta also was honored at the luncheon, although she was not among the district finalists.

Joel said he will use the check to attend Harvard University or one of several other schools to which he has applied. "Maybe this check will get my parents off my back for finding a summer job," he said.

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Lewis seeks funds for new school

By Rhonda Barnett
DeKalb Neighbor Staff Writer

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It used to be that trailers on school campuses were substitute classrooms during periods of construction; now they are permanent fixtures in DeKalb due to overcrowding.

DeKalb County School Superintendent Crawford Lewis requested \$19.5 million for a new school to alleviate the overcrowding in Dunwoody.

"The board authorized the superintendent to proceed with developing a lease purchase program in an amount not to exceed \$19.5 million," said Board Secretary Gail Clary. "That is to finance the acquisition, construction and equipping of a new school and the land required if any."

The location and type of school are yet to be determined, but officials look forward to having the new facility by fall 2008 to ease the congestion.

The problem is in Dunwoody's "feeder" elementary schools according to District 1 Board Member Chip Franzoni.

There are five elementary schools that will feed into Dunwoody High School via Peachtree Middle School: Austin, Hightower, Chesnut, Kingsley and Vanderlyn.

Four of those five have a total of 50 trailers on their campuses which house nearly 1000 students. Vanderlyn alone has 26 trailers.

"Two years ago, the superintendent took a look at DeKalb County as a whole and he identified four 'hot spot' communities; communities with heavy growth and heavy current overcrowding," said Franzoni. "The Dunwoody community was number four out of four."

There are two issues in Dunwoody causing the area to make the list according to Franzoni.

One is the large number of young families buying homes in the community.

"There is a big wave of young children coming back into the Dunwoody community," said Franzoni.

The second issue is the mass high density development where two homes can be torn down and replaced with six.

Also, there is high growth of multi-family housing around the Perimeter Mall area, both owner occupied and rental.

"In that corridor, there are several thousand homes in construction," said Franzoni.

A History of Dunwoody
By Kate Semon

Dunwoody High School, located on 5035 Vermack Road, celebrates its 25th birthday this year. The school officially opened its doors on 5 September 1972 with an enrollment count of 887 students ranging in grades 8th through 10th, and the first senior class graduated in 1975. J. Ronald Stegall accepted the position of principal, which he held from 1972 until 1987, when Dunwoody acquired Dr. Jennie Springer. A third change of guards occurred last year, when Mrs. JoAnne Leonard became Dunwoody's third principal. Presently, Dunwoody has an enrollment count of 1650 students, and will graduate 400 seniors in 1998. Dunwoody has full accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the Georgia Department of Education Accrediting Commission.

The Student Government Association was one of the first organizations chartered at the school, and encompassed representatives from each grade. Student Government was designed to allow students a chance to voice their opinions and ideas to the faculty and community members. Prominent school publications included The Chrysalis, DHS's yearbook, "The Gallery," the former name of "The Express" student-produced newspaper, and "The Laureate," now the Inklings school Literary Magazine. The Booster Clubs have been successful in providing amazing funds to the music, arts, academic, and athletic programs, and boast an outstanding dedication and sponsorship by students, parents, and community members alike since Dunwoody's first year. It is impossible to estimate the thousands of awards that have been bestowed upon Dunwoody students during the last 25 years. Some of the past honors and awards both academically and athletically include the state winner of the Emory Southeastern Interscholastic Invitational in 1985, Georgia Academic Team Association State winner in 1994, High-Q State Champion in 1991, winner of the Ted Angstandt Memorial Award for Outstanding Soccer players, Region 7AAAA State Tennis Champion in 1994, State Fastpitch Softball Team Champion, Lady Bronco Invitational Champion in 1995, and Swimming County Champions from 1986-1996. Outstanding students include Billy Ray, named 1985 Quarterback of the Year by the Atlanta Touchdown Club and Coca-Cola, and Rachel Taratoot, named Best Drum Major Class A in the 1996 Southern Invitational Music Festival. Most recent awards include Georgia Academic Decathlon First Runner-Up in 1997, and top 50 teams in the nation in the AUK Knowledge Master Open Competition. The class of 1997 was awarded over \$2 million in scholarships, and over 85 % of the students attend college.

All a result of the quality of education and the diligence of those who have called Dunwoody their home, the school has and will continue to be the central focus of the community and one of the top schools in Georgia. Dunwoody has achieved outstanding goals and honors, and has created legends that will last for years to come.

(In Anniversary Celebration!)

Exchange Tags Miller Policeman of the Year

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By LAURA BARRE
Staff Writer

Detective Reed Miller of the Chamblee Police Department was named Chamblee Policeman of the Year Monday night by the North Dekalb Exchange Club.

Det. Miller was cited by Chamblee Police Chief T.L. Terrell for his work during 1972. Det. Miller was the first detective hired by Chamblee. He began his service last February and his first job was to organize the Chamblee Police Department's detective department from scratch, and to conduct all investigations in the field.

He is credited with being a major force in the investigation of the murder case at the Chamblee Internal Revenue Service office last year, and with reducing the drug problem in a large apartment complex so that the complex changed from "a haven for drug users and pushers to a place once again suitable for family life," Chief Terrell said.

Also, in accordance with the club's current law enforcement campaign, the club presented prizes for posters on law enforcement to students from two

North Dekalb high schools, and cash awards to their schools.

Student winners are Don Sweet, eighth grade, Henderson High, first prize; Bill Doran, eighth grade, Henderson High, second prize, and Carol Cox, tenth grade, Dunwoody High, third prize. Their schools were awarded \$100 for Don's first prize, \$75 for Bill's second prize and \$50 for Carol's third prize. The money was given by the Exchange Club for school use. The students were awarded plaques for themselves.

Their teachers, who were recognized at the awards dinner, are Mrs. Ellen Reeder and Mrs. Mary Housley, Henderson High and Mrs. GeeGee Sachs, Dunwoody High.

The Exchange Club presented its Student of the Month Award to Donald E. Brantley of Henderson High School. Donald was given a certificate, and he addressed the club on "Acceptance of People." A straight A student, he is aiming for a career in music.

Main speaker at Monday night's dinner was Dekalb County Police Chief Dick Hand.

involvement with law enforcement. He said Dekalb County, and any community, will have exactly the kind of law enforcement, and the kind of government it deserves, the kind its citizens demand.



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Chamblee Det. Reed Miller

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Dunwoody High Varsity

In the first row, left to right, are David Goldman; Mark Spranca; Maria Hybinette; John York, president of the DeKalb Chapter, Georgia Society of Professional Engineers; Tom Cisewski and Kisten Carlson. In the second row are Nathan Hardee; Lance Holland; Jim Edgar, Math Team sponsor; and Bill Schuh.



Dunwoody High B-Team

In the first row, left to right, are Matt Wyant; Kurt Carlson; John York, president of the DeKalb Chapter, Georgia Society of Professional Engineers; Patricia Mason and Martin Jaspan. In the second row are April Kanne; Kin Stewart; Bill Gottlieb and Jim Edgar, Math Team sponsor.

Piraquive has place in tennis at Dunwoody

By Tracy Helms
Staff Writer

When Wagner Piraquive was growing up in Colombia, South America, he discovered not only the benefits of sports in general, but also some dangers of his particular form of competition.

And although he became one of that country's top bicycle racers, he decided it was not the ideal sport for a young competitor.

"I decided," he said, "that when I had a son, he should compete in a safer sport. So, when we came to this country years later, I told my son to try a lot of sports and decide on his favorite."

With that instruction, Piraquive's son, Wagner Jr., set out on a search for his ideal sport, beginning with football.

"His team won its league title, but he quit to try baseball," the elder Piraquive said. "His baseball team won its league, too, but then he went to play soccer."

Then after playing soccer for a few seasons and playing tennis, he told his father, "Dad, I want to play tennis for the rest of my life."

From all indications, the younger Piraquive found his ideal sport. In seven years of competition, the 16-year-old Piraquive has gained national ranking as both a singles and doubles junior and collected a lengthy resume of tournament triumphs.

When Piraquive was initiating his interest in tennis, his older sisters, Nubia and Mary Bell, were playing for Dunwoody, and eventually reached the state AAAA finals in doubles. Now, Piraquive, a sophomore at Dunwoody, is beginning his own tradition.

Last fall, he won the 16-year-old division of the Southeastern Invitational and defended his title in the Georgia Open. He also has captured numerous regional doubles tournaments and been ranked 11th nationally for 14-year-olds with partner Billy Chocallo, who plays for Tucker.

High school competition, however, has not been so productive for Piraquive. But now that he has proven himself to the Dunwoody team, Piraquive plans to improve his scholastic game.

"At first, it was kind of tough last year being a freshman and the team's No. 1 player," he said. "The older guys on the team would challenge me. But I would play them all the time and beat them, so they stopped challenging me."

But Piraquive's constant improvement has presented one problem.

"He always wanted me to coach him and practice with him," his father said, "but the way he plays now, there's no way. He hits the ball much too hard for me."

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Dunwoody Wildcats Baseball Team Now 6-11

The Dunwoody Wildcats, coached by Richard Kneisel, are having a disappointing season. The Wildcats are 6-11 overall and have a subregion record of 3-6. Members of the team include: Front Row (L-R)- Joe Hendricks, Kris Koch, Rush Holladay, Bill Stohr, Darren Trammell and Bobby Kelly. Second Row- Mark Weltlich,

Gary Humphrey, Mark Urbanowski, Roger Harris, Steve Johnson and Scott Ragland; Third Row- Mike Preston, Eric Federspiel, Steve Salva, Tommy Hutchens, Daryl Slotter, Clint Lane and coach Kneisel. (Staff Photo By Paul Efland)

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Dunwoody High School Holds Cultural Arts Week

The Dunwoody High School P.T.S.A. and the Art Club, under the direction of Carol Hale, sponsored the annual Cultural Arts Week at Dunwoody High, showcasing the talents of many students, parents and professional artists and performers. Art students exhibited projects completed in classes and demonstrated techniques in drawing, pastels, oils and charcoal. Drama students gave excerpts from the play "Rebel Without a Cause" and the Dunwoody Jazz Band played to a standing ovation by the students. The Dunwoody High Chorus gave vocal performances throughout the week and Industrial Art students highlighted their course of studies featuring photography, mechanical drawing and woodworking. In photo, Jenny Lathem of Roswell works on a pastel portrait with Dunwoody High student Kim Wisenbaker.

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Dunwoody Principal Nominated For Award

Jennie Springer, principal of Dunwoody High School, has been nominated by the Dunwoody High School PTSA for consideration as the 1989 National PTA Phoebe Apperson Hearst Outstanding Educator of the Year.

This annual award honors an outstanding educator whose achievements inspire excellence in students and other educators and who carries on the work of Phoebe Apperson Hearst, co-founder of the National PTA, on behalf of children and youth. This award is made possible by a grant from the William Randolph Hearst Foundations.

Mrs. Springer was nominated on the basis of her outstanding accomplishments and personal and professional goals. At the final PTSA meeting of the year she was commended for administering the smooth merger of Peachtree and Dunwoody High Schools.

Mrs. Springer's many honors and accomplishments include metro Atlanta's "Educator of the Month" award, presidency of the DeKalb Association of Secondary School Principals, the DeKalb County "Administrator of the Year" award, membership on the DeKalb Administrator Board of Directors, and the chairmanship of

the Committee to Develop an Honors Magnet School. Mrs. Springer has developed and implemented many programs, among which are a Study Skills Enrichment Program for Eighth Grade Underachievers, SAT Seminars for College-Bound Athletes and a Strategic Planning Model for Merging Two High Schools.

In October 1988, Mrs. Springer was selected to be part of a 10-member delegation on an American educational exchange to the Soviet Union. She was selected because of her implementation of model programs on teacher motivation, creative teaching, and mentor teaching as well as for her humanistic leadership style. In December 1988, a delegation from the Soviet Union visited Dunwoody High. As a result of the back-to-back momentum of the educational exchange, it was proposed that DHS and Moscow School 710 and Lenningrad School 169 continue to have future exchanges so that teachers could observe and learn from each other. The continuation of the exchange will allow Dunwoody High School students, faculty and community to share common concerns with Soviet counterparts so that together a significant contribution toward world peace can be made.



Jennie Springer

As principal of Dunwoody High School for two years, Mrs. Springer has made it her goal to create a disciplined, yet caring atmosphere which demands, supports and reinforces excellence. She is well respected and admired by the students, faculty, parents and community. She spends fifty per cent of her time visiting classrooms and attends nearly every athletic event that takes place. She tries to know each student on a first-name basis.

Mrs. Jennie Springer's name has been submitted to the National

PTA, along with others nominated by local PTA units throughout the country for consideration as Outstanding Educator of the Year.

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Dunwoody High School Places First In Congressional Arts Competition

Fourth District Rep. Ben Jones announced that a watercolor painting by Dunwoody High School student Bill VerEecke took top honors in the Eighth Annual Congressional Arts Competition.

VerEecke's watercolor will hang in the U.S. Capitol this summer, along with winning entries from across the country. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William VerEecke and a graduating senior.

"I congratulate Bill and the other honorees in the competition," said Rep. Jones. "All the student artists who submitted entries demonstrate extraordinary talent. I'm proud to encourage their creative spirit by coordinating this event."

The first runner-up in the competition is Nadine Freant, a graduating senior at Newton High School and the daughter of Tina Mulvihill and Steven Freant. Her winning entry is an airbrush of a cityscape.

Erin Brimmer, the second runner-up, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Brimmer. The Dunwoody High School graduating senior submitted a pencil and crayon still life.

Third place honors went to Stephanie Monagan, the daughter of Johnny Monagan. A graduating senior at Shamrock High School, she entered a charcoal still life drawing in the contest.

Kim Disspain submitted a mixed media collage, which captured the fourth place title in

the competition. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Disspain, she will be a junior at Cross Keys High School next fall.

Yancey Graves, who will be a senior at Dunwoody High School, entered a crayon drawing to claim fifth place honors. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Graves.

The judges of the competition were high school art educators from outside the 4th District. 60



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Tying On New Crowns

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Dunwoody High School homecoming queen Elizabeth Warner, left, beams after receiving her crown last weekend from retiring queen Christy Holloway during halftime in the school's game

with Southwest Dekalb. This year's homecoming king, Nick Ramano, background, tests the fit of his new crown. Southwest Dekalb won the game 35-7.

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DeKalb Designates Three 'Schools Of Excellence'

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Avondale Elementary School, 10 Lakeshore Drive, Avondale Estates, has been recognized by the DeKalb County School System as the 1989 School of Excellence in the elementary school system category.

Peachtree Junior High School and Dunwoody High School are the honorees in the secondary school category. According to Glenna Kinard of the DeKalb County School System, each has been honored for meeting specified goals and tailoring programs to meet local needs, as well as for an exceptional teaching and administrative staff.

This represents the first year that Avondale Elementary School has received the "School of Excellence" title. Pictured (from left) are Avondale Principal Kay Stringer, who was appointed to the school in 1987, and Administrative Assistant Martha Snelling, now in her second year.

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Wendy King Honored

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Wendy King of Dunwoody High School, was the second place winner in the art competition sponsored by the Fourth District. She was accompanied to the luncheon by her mother, Pat King, and her art teacher, Carole Hale.

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Students ready for three-week visit from Russians

Dunwoody High School is hosting Russian students who came into town for a three-week exchange program. The students and the school worked hard to raise funds for the exchange and Amy Vislosky here makes a contribution

for money applied toward hospitality for the Soviet tourists. Seated at the donation table are Dunwoody students Chris Salamone, from left, Amam Kulbersh and Mohana Amirtharajah.

Students Are Back From Moscow Trip

Two former students at Austin Elementary School, now at Dunwoody High School, spoke at Austin recently about their experiences as exchange students in the Soviet Union last spring. Alison Nodvin and Jessica Wimberley were part of a five-student, two-teacher ensemble from Dunwoody High School who spent three weeks in the U.S.S.R.

The Dunwoody students attended Moscow Experimental School 710 and lived with Soviet families. Each student lived in a two-room apartment which they shared with six other people. They ate bread, potatoes and borscht (a soup made from beets).

Three or four times daily the Americans drank tea, which is a social event to the Soviets. They waited in line for hours to eat at the new Moscow McDonald's where the food was not good, they decided, and cost the equivalent of half of a Russian's monthly paycheck.

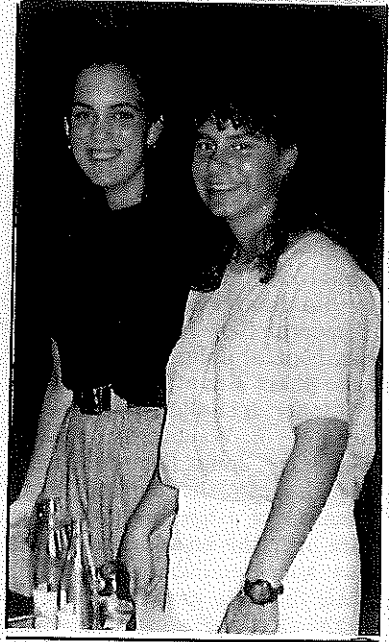
According to the Dunwoody

girls, eating at McDonald's is a rare and celebrated event to the average Soviet citizen and the only place where Coca-Cola can be found. They also noted that everywhere else the Soviets were drinking Pepsi and that all soft drinks come in glass bottles there.

Both Alison and Jessica tried to make their visit come alive for the elementary school students as they described field trips to Red Square, the Kremlin, Leningrad, the Moscow Circus, St. Basil's Church and other Orthodox cathedrals, as well as the Museum of Russian History and the Hermitage.

They told of the lengthy food lines and the shortage of food. They also shared some of their souvenirs with the Austin students, among them nesting dolls, which symbolize continuing generations, and Soviet coins.

Students from Moscow will arrive soon to spend three weeks soaking up American culture at Dunwoody High School.



Jessica Wimberley, left, and Alison Nodvin, students at Dunwoody High School.

Dunwoody An Almost Winner

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DeKalb Schools Disqualified For National 'Excellence' Award

By HELEN ORDNER

It would have been a great Christmas gift.

Dunwoody High, named Georgia School of Excellence last year, was notified of receiving the national honor — and of being disqualified, all at the same time last week.

Judges for the much coveted award disqualified all of DeKalb County on the national level because of an on-going dispute between school officials and the Office of Civil Rights.

Stone Mountain High did receive the award on the state level — an honor last year held by Dunwoody. Avondale Elementary for the second year holds the county School of Excellence award.

Stone Mountain High would have been in line for national honors but, according to Dr. Sidney Lionberger, principal, "now we'll never know."

Dunwoody learned Friday that all its protests were to no avail and that changing the decision was a lost cause, according to Jennie Springer, principal.

School officials and parents had talked to elected representatives in

Washington D.C. and the Secretary of Education, she said.

On Friday, the award was made to other schools.

Many people tried to help, she said, but part of requirement is that schools must be in compliance with the Office of Civil Rights.

"We feel like our school deserves national recognition. Our students and community are really disappointed."

THE DISQUALIFICATION, which followed a cut-off in federal funds for special education, is a facet of an on-going dispute between the DeKalb system and the Office of Civil Rights (OCR).

The lost funding is expected to reach \$9 million and involves eight cases, according to school spokeswoman Christine May.

Funding was suspended when DeKalb schools refused to provide documents to OCR.

According to Mrs. Springer, the school is providing such cases to the Department of Justice, under Public Law 94-142.

OCR is basing its claims for jurisdiction and legal action on

section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.

The federal action was based on a number of cases DeKalb has had pending over the last few years, Mrs. Springer said — none of which pertain to Dunwoody High.

"As a high school we are being affected by this and it has nothing to do with us."

Neither Avondale Elementary nor Stone Mountain High are involved in the litigation either, according to principals Kay Stringer and Dr. Lionberger.

Mrs. Springer does understand DeKalb's position, she said. Meanwhile Dunwoody parents, teachers and students are consoling themselves with some enviable statistics.

According to the principal:

- 96 percent of Dunwoody graduates attend college or university.
- On SAT scores, they average 71 points above the national level.
- The band has received all "superior" ratings in every contest for the last three years.

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Elks Scholar

Elk Scholarship award winner Hoang Le Diem Cung, a Dunwoody High School senior, was honored at a recent ceremony at the Atlanta-Northlake Elks Lodge No. 78. She is shown with other Elk scholarship winners and Lodge leaders. From the left: Chris Rehkoph, Elk Scholarship chairman; Tom Parks IV, Roswell High School; Kelly Joy Jepson, Shiloh High School; Miss Cung; Tobin Sexton, Elk speaker; and Benjamin Martich, Brookwood High School. The lodge awarded nine scholarships to area seniors this year. The national Order of Elks is second only to the Federal government in awarding scholarship grants. Further information: John Post, 875-0421.



NEW DUNWOODY AREA SCHOOL UNDERWAY--(Background) Rodney Wells, member of DeKalb Board of Education, Dr. Clyde A. Holsclaw, North Area Assistant Superintendent, and Ronald Stegall, principal of Dunwoody High School, (left to right) along with a large turnout of Dunwoody residents, listen to comments by DeKalb School Superintendent, Dr. Jim Cherry, at the groundbreaking ceremony for a DeKalb Elementary School to be located at 1877 Vanderlyn Drive. The ceremony was held last Wednesday, with Dr. Holsclaw presiding. Also participating in the program were Rev. Joe Spain, pastor of North Peachtree Baptist Church; Floyd Kornegay, principal of Kingsley Elementary School; Ronald Stegall; Harold Wells, principal of Dunwoody Elementary School; and the Rev. Owen Kellum, pastor of Dunwoody United Methodist Church.