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Key Club has initiation

THE NILES EAST KEY CLUB held tiation cerem sing "Alice in Wonderland"' as the theme. The new members include Kevin Kline as the Red Queen, Al Lev as Alice, Dave Kline as Playboy Bunny, and Alan Waskin as the cat. In past ceremonies members had to wear costumes from "The Wizard of Oz ," or eat cereal with marshmallow fluff in search of a raisin.
Since its formation four years ago, the Key Club now draws a large membership from all four grades. Key Club, a com munity-school service organization is
similar to other clubs in its operation similar to other clubs in its operation under school policy and student body membership, but its sponsorship, aims and format set it apart from other clubs The Skokie Valley Kiwanis Club, unde the community sponsors the Key Club.

KEY CLUB INTERNATIONAL PRESENTLY HAS 82,300 MEMBERS 3.696 CLUBS AND 30 DISTRICTS The Niles East Key Club holds an out standing position in the Illinois-Eastern Iowa District, division 17

## Coming Attractions

Dec. 2-Girls gymnastics - Niles North Gym-7:00 p.m.

- Winter Choral/O

Dec. 3-End of second marking period Dec. 3- End of second marking
Dec. 7 - Booster Club Meeting Coaches Lounge - 8:00 p.m . 7 -Girls Bowling - Niles North 4:00 p.m.
Dec. 8-PTSA Board Meeting Dec. 8-Girls Volleyball - Niles North

Gym - 6:30 p.m.
8- Winter Band Festival - Audi
torium 11 Boys Wrestling - Maine South Wrestling Room - 1:30 p.m. 13 - Board of Education meeting Central Administration - 8:00 p.m 13- Girls Bowling Invitational
Dec. 13 - Girls Gymnastics - Glen brook South Gym - 7:00 p.m. brook South Gym - 6:30, 7:30 p.m 16-Girls Volleyball - Niles West Gym - $6: 30,7: 30$ p.m. . 17 - Last day before winte recess
Recess
Dec. 17-Boys Wrestling - New Trier East Wrestling Room - 6:30, 8:00 p.m.

17, 18, 19 - Ski Trip - Wausau
Wisconsin
Niles Gymnastics Invitational
18-AFLA Fencing Ope
Maine South - 9:00 p.m.

This year's officers include Adelman, presi dent; Lee Grodsky, president; Mark Brutzkus, secretary and already held treasurer. The Key Club has already held a dance and disco-night while an all school for a ' 50 's dance and tournament.
Anyone interested is urged to join. Key Club meetings are held Wednesday nights at 7:30 in the coaches' lounge.

## Rules changed

THE STUDENT SENATE officially ac cepted a new amendment to its con-
stitution November 12 by a two-thirds stitution November 12 by a two-thirds majority vote. In order to ratify the
amendment. the Senate had to hold amendment, the Senate had to hold voting sessions in two consecutive Senate
THE AMENDMENT STATES that any single member can have only one vote even if he represents more than one organization. The purpose of the
amendment is to insure equal voting power among Senate members, while the Senate's membership increases, since only one club or homeroom may be repre sented by any one individual. Previously if a member represented two or ganiza
The Senate is taking part in a student exchange program with Glenbrook South High School on November 29 and 30 . 14 each school and student legislature are run, and the students also will exchange ideas.

## Show planned

THE NEW NILES EAST DANCE COMPANY, under the sponsorhip of Miss Caliendo, is active this year, and is pre paring to present a dance show in February.
THE NEW AUDITIONS were held recently. The company consists of 25 senior and junior members. The 15 senior company members include: president Paula Sugarman; vice president, Mary Postel; treasurer, Caryn Lason; and members Paula Jeremias, Elaine Cohn, Carol Feldman, Karen Feldman, Jody Friedman, Debbie Balikov, Sandy Brenner, Melanie Karafotias, Gail Norris, Judy Rich, Carol Rollick, and Alison Wohl. The junior members include President Ellen Goodman, vice-presiden Cindy Friedman, and members Beth Feldstein, Sue Fish, Cathy Lasowski, Cheryl Lee, Sharon Lee, Marcy Mande

The company will meet regularly
The company will meet regularly to organize the dance show, which

## East semior re-elected

diane polin, senior at Niles East High School and a member of DECA, the
Distributive Education Club, was elected Distributive Education Club, was elected
as Vice President of the state of Illinois at as Vice President of the state of fllinois at
the statewide DECA convention in Chicago, November 5th and 6th. Diane was also a state officer last year, the first time in Illinois DECA history that an officer was re-elected to serve another erm.
The student officer was elected by two student delegates from each of the 150 high schoo chapters around the state DECA national group of more than 169000 national group of more than 169,000 members. Diane headed Niles East

## "Up with People" sings

 in Niles East Auditorium"UP WITH PEOPLE," a non profit worldwide musical and educational worldwide musical and educationa group, performed at Niles East
Saturday, Nov.ember 27 , at 8:00 p.m. in the auditorium.
500 young men and women, from 17-25 years old, make up the group. They currently are divided into nine casts all over the world
The group was formed in 1965 when Mr. Belk, the current president and chairman of the board of "p With students. From the discussion, they

November 14 to 20 with three other East DECA members, Brian David, Julie Gold and Scott Nathanson who were al appointed to DECA Ambassado positions. They handled publicity for the state DECA activities in thei community.
ONE ACTIVITY conducted by DECA was the "Support Your Local Retailer' program. As part of this activity, 4 loca stores displayed signs thanking shopper patronize Skokie shops and merchants. The purpose of DECA week is to support our local retrailers, and also (to DECA students can do for them ", Eas Bill Couslon, faculty do for them, said Bill Couslon, faculty sponsor of DECA

## Alternative successinl

THE ACTION LEARNING CENTER ALC), district 219's alternative school, is a success according to Dr. Robert L. Fizzell, ALC program coordinator. Dr Fizzell attributes the effectiveness of the ALC to the opportunity students have to find methods of learning other than those offered by a traditional education. As evidence to the success of the ALC, Dr
Fizzell cites that 80 per cent of the students who enter the ALC graduate, while 90 per cent of the graduates enter college.
The new learning methods include learning through experience, studying individually, and experiencing life in the community. Employing these methods, student must earn a minimum of three credits each semester. Fhe student earn hese credits by fulfilling a learning contract. The student, with the aid of learning coordinator and léarning resource person, draws up a set of
objectives, a plan of activities, and a method of evaluation that must be completed on any given topic before the credit is awarded

DR. FIZZEL said that a student who does well in the ALC is generally one who is above average in maturity, is capable experience than through the traditiona
decided that there was a need for a new kind of educational program. Chrysler Corp. agreed to sponsor the venture, and by 1968 Mr. Belk had incorporated the group.
When "Up With People", came to perform at Niles East, they were housed and fed by area residents. The group wa paid a guaranteed $\$ 2000$ plus 50 per cent of the money collected at the door. The Students Activity Board sponsored the performance for Niles East. The clubs
that helped sell tickets will share in any profit.
abstract approach, and rejects the routine of regular classes, but is motivated to
DR. FIZZEL feels that limiting the ALC enrollment to 43 students allows personal relationships and communication between people to develop. The 43 positions are filled on a first come first serve basis. Any sophomore, junior or serve his educational needs.
Dr. Fizzell and Joan Macala, Niles Eas English teacher, formed the ALC in 1973 The learning center is situated in a mobile unit outside of Niles West, with Dr. Fizze and Mr. Bill Robinson, formerly of Niles North, as the learning coordinators.

## Colleges offer aid

LINCOLN COLLEGE in Lincoln Illinois is offering $\$ 400$ grants to students who have a cumulative grade point who have a cummulative grade point four hours a week
FRANKLIN COLLEGE in Franklin, Indiana is offering scholarships based on S.A.T. scores, class standing and from 200 to $\$ 500$. Applications are due Feb. 15 .
Gilmore in the guidance resource room

## East enrollment declines

AFTER 27 YEARS of an increase in student enrollment, a decline is subject for the next five or six years, due to the decrease in birth rates in the 60 s and 70 s . The district officials predict that from the present 6818 students, the sum in 1980 81 will drop to 5096 students. The conclusion is to close the oldest school Niles East that year
Before graduation in 1975, 2177 students were enrolled. In 1975-76 Niles East's enrollment declined to 2149. At the present time, 2054 students are enrolled. Despite the decline, 51 new student have entered Niles East since September.

## decline.

| Graduation <br> Year | Boys | Girls | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1977 | 303 | 264 | 567 |
| 1978 | 264 | 262 | 526 |
| 1979 | 269 | 224 | 493 |
| 1980 | 237 | 231 | 468 |
| Total | 1073 | 981 | 2054 |



## Students angered by library procedures

Dear Editor
I would like to comment on the library, which has recently be
pleasant place to study pleasant place to study.
I only go to the library during one period in the morning, and this year I have been quite surprised at the strict enforcement CERTAIN THE
CERTAINLY THE LIBRARY is no place to talk or socialize, but must a student be evicted for whispering for a moment? Recently, I was evicted for taking back to a librarian, which 1 did after she angered me. I was whispering to
a friend for a pen, and in a flash I was a friend for a pen, and in a flash I was
warned that if I wanted to talk. I should go warned that if I wanted to talk, I should go were full. The students in the booths were very loud, and I made the mistake of mentioning this to the librarian. I asked why they could make noise while in the booths, and I could not even whisper I WAS AGAIN WARNED about talking outside of the booths. I would like to note that in warning me, the librarian talked longer and louder than I did. I inquired as to why she did not try to quiet the students who were making noise in the booths. She told me it was permitted for students to talk in the booths, and that is what they are for. At that point, I made a remark for which I was kicked out.
I just wish to point out to the librarians that I understand their job, but that I have lost all respect for them, because of their
military attitudes. military attitudes.

Ken Greisman '78
Dear Editor
There is a small problem, the library, which is shared by many students. I have found many of the librarians to be quite unreasonable at times.
don't have many opportunities per pod, I the library, but in one instance, I was totally angered. A friend came up to me, and whispered. I mean that no heads turned, no pencils stopped, and I heard no "Shhh's." Well, I have decided that the school has installed a radar device in the library, because a librarian was with us in an instant. My friend remarked that no one could hear, but the librarian in a perfectly audible voice stated that the library was not a place to talk, and we were instructed to go into a booth or leave. I don't think that each time someone has a question he must run into a booth. Don't you think this could become quite a nuisance?

Name Withheld Upon Request

## Gym classes unfair

Dear Editor
I am a senior in the first period gym class with Mr. Richardi. It is the policy o the school to let juniors and seniors
choose their own activities in Physical Education.

ONE OF THE CHOICES was "Flicker Ball," the first three weeks and basketball, the second. After the first three weeks, the class was looking forward to playing basketball, and we discovered class was using the gym. As I understand it, the girls were not at fault, but someone made a mistake.
MY GYM CLASS CONSISTS of 42 guys, and the only place we could go was the wrestling room. We don't mind much, but we felt we were cheated from an activity, we were falsely offered.
I hope that in the future, the athletic director makes sure that all gym classes coincide with each other

Name Withheld Upon Request

## Students visit Tribune

Dear Editor
The English classes of Niles East High School went to visit the Tribune Tower on Monday, October 18. It was taken in co-
ordination with the Current ordination with the Current Com-
munications Classes' study of munications Classes study of
newspapers. THE TOUR, WHICH LASTED for approximately an hour and a half, was divided into four parts. The first part was It showed how paper was made. It showed how paper was made,
manufactured, and reprocessed. The second part of the tour consisted of seeing the composing room, which is where news is composed and edited. The students also saw how pictures are items are phoned in.
THE THIRD PART OF the tour was the type setting room, which is where the layout is put together
The fourth and last part of the tour was the room where the paper is rolled off the presses. it comes off in a complete newspaper, ready to be folded and sent to the public. Many students thought the trip was very interesting. ${ }^{\text {Stuart Plumed },}$

## MLEEHILITE

The NILEHILITE would like to congratulate the directors, cast, and crews of "Reflections of a Lifetime Unique," for the time and effort they contributed to making the show a success.
THE SHOW, WHICH WAS COMPLETELY DIRECTED BY STUDENTS Gail Norris 77, and David Pevsner '77; choreographed by Mary Poster 77, and Paula Jerimias Lawrence Cone was presented November 18-20 with a special senior citizen sperrormance on the afternoon of the 17 nh . The technical adviser was advisers were Lisa Phillips the char Kathy Stukas'78 Juniors Carol Miller and Diane Ament were responsible fr and crews, and seniors Sharon Vibe for all Vale were in charge of costumes. All this

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to those students who have lunch, or an important class scheduled fifth. Also, it makes it difficult for teachers to plan, and keep all their classes moving at the same pace.
To remedy the situation, students were released from homeroom for a few days, and given a lengthened fifth period. This only proved to further confuse students, and certainly couldn't substitute for a lunch which was missed the week before. Instead of changing effective systems, more time could be spent improving those which are ineffective. The Blue and Gold schedules were quite successful, and many people would agree they should be continued in the future


## Reflections Unique. considered success


leadership, plus a cast of over 70, and the sponsorship of Mr. Proffit, Mr. Winkler, and Mr. Mayfield explain the success of the show.
The students involved in the show began working intensely since last February. They were fully responsible for organizing, casting, staging, and peresenting the production, and the result displayed their efforts
THE THEME, "REFLECTIONS OF A LIFETIME UNIQUE," presented life from childhood through adolescence young adults, and finally later years. This theme was clearly displayed through songs, dances, and skits.
Many people feel that Reflections is one of the highlights of the school year and believe that this year's show was

Editor's Note: The Nilehite staff would like to correct some of the articles, which appeared in the October 29 issue
In the story, PEP ASSEMBLY HELD KING AND QUEEN NAMED, the winner of the most spirited class in the Trojan Contest, was the class of . We would also like to apologize for the antics VOICES HIS VIEWS The feelings pressed in these The feelings exnecessarily those of the entire staff.
In addition we welcome any letters to
the editor concerning these and other articles. Please send letters to room 154 or put in Mrs. Panos' mailbox.

(Photo by Alan Cohn)
NILEHILITE offers winter scene photography contest
by Caryn Lasorí
 front page with a winter scene
for the holiday issue. Traditionally The Nilehilite ssue. The cover of this Holiday

Name

Homeroom

Home phone number

Year

Are you enrolled in photography?

DO NOT WRITE YOUR NAME ON THE PHOTO


Examples of winter scenes included in past issues.

## Persons, places, and things

RICHARD LIVINGSTON AND MARK ROSTVOLD, per formed with the Chicago Symphony and Chorus on Monday night, November 8. George Solti conducted the members at Carnegie Hall in New York City as they presented pieces by Walton and Verdi. Alumni Cheryl Frazes '72 is also a performer.
ALUMNI AMY GINSBURG 73, is presently attending Duke University where she is majoring in Psychology. Amy is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. MAYER KAPLAN JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER, 5050 W. Church will present the play "You're a Good Man, Charley Brown" in April. A general meeting for auditions will be held Monday, December 6 at 7 p.m. for cast and crews. Contact Lorry Woolfe at 675-2200, ex exst. 230 if you are interested ext. 230 if you are interested.
ADELE HIGGINS
ADELE HIGGINS of the library staff won a 12 inch black and white portable television in a Village Mental Health Association of Skokie Valley. The TV was donated by the Morton Grove Bank. The funds will support the mental health THE SKOKIE PARK DISTRICT is planning an Oakton

Ski Club for Niles Township High
School students. The club will meet the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Oakton Community Center, 4701 Oakton Street, to plan ski trips, see films, have lectures and workshops for a dollar. Call Debbie Rosenthahl at 674-1500, ext. 42 for more information.
ALEXANDER MIRON'S Hebrew classes will attend a performance of Israel Folk Dancing at Evanston on December 14 . KATHI ISSERMAN '78 was selected to participate in a program sponsored by the Rotary Club. She will represent East at the meeting on February 15 at El Bianco II restaurant.
BARRY KR GAIL NORRIS AND BARRY KRAMER have been chosen to represent East for the Illinois State Theater Production. They will audition for OAKTON COMMUNIT COLLEGE will present *Zorba COLLEGE will present "Zorba
the Greek" on December 3 at the Greek", on December 3 at 8:15 p.m. in Building 6 at the Oakton Interim Campus on Oakton and Nagle in Morton Grove for 50 cents.
OCC SUNDAY NIGHT COFFEEHOUSE will also present the Reifriation Company
and Improvisational December 5 at 8 p.m. on the same campus for $\$ 2$.

## issue consist of a three-quarter page photograph which should in interpreting a winter scene This year, rather than assign the job to a staff photographer The Nilehilite is holding the <br> THE WINNING PHOTOGRAPH will be printed <br> featured in the newspaper <br> All photographs taken by Easthi students without the assistance of an adult are eligible. Entries must be placed in Mrs. Panos' mailbox or room 154 by December 10. The entry below must accompany each photograph. Please do no photo, so judges decisions aren' influenced. <br> Students plant shrubs; celebrate Arbor Day

The sound of dirt hitting the Golden Galleon, Environmental ground, and shovels and pickaxes striking the earth, occurred in Niles East's Courtyard, November 2 , as members of several clubs planted shrubs and trees to beautify Niles East.
It was considered an exhilarating experience by the 25 students and Kenneth Reiter, working together to do some-
thing for East. This accomplishthing for East. This accomplishment won't just be forgotten, but will grow into beautiful trees and bushes to remember. The money for the shrubs was onated by the Central office of Niles Township, located at Niles es

What used to be the back of your checkerboard is now a surface for the game of chance and skill.
BACKGAMMON A CURRENT HOBBY and fad among students in colleges has been spreading to high school students.
Two players group their fifteen checkers onto a board with 24 spear-shaped daggers called points. (They are grouped into four sections of six points in each.) The players attempt to move their men home by the use of dice and cups. Then they must remove all of their pieces from the board first to win.

TWELVE-LINED GAME' dates back as early as 3000 BC when it was played by the Greeks and Romans. This game resembles modern backgammon a descent of Parchesi. Since 1925 the rules have changed little; at hat time the idea of doubling or tripling stakes began. Ford example, when a player has all his men off the board before he other person has his

A person may purchase a set for 79 cents to $\$ 95$ in Skokie, to get involved in the backgammon Club N-Club, Band GAA Board and the radio station participated by planting about 50 trees and hours, this included a lunch break.
The PTSA was responsible for contributing grilled hot dogs taffy apples, and apple cider to feed the students
Each participant who worked on the morning of Veteran's Day to plant trees for Arbor day a East, will be rewarded, not only by the satisfaction of their ac complishments, but by a plaque under each shrub, which will bear each student's name.

## Backgammon, current fad

movie, I am performing in front of a camera-it's an imaginary audience. I might have to wait around 11 days to shoot one scene. But when I do my own show, I can direct myself and not be directed. '"
JOSE CARRIES 60 PAIRS OF BOOTS with him when traveling. Sometimes one or two shoes break at each performance, because they are delicate and can ruin easily.

What makes flamenco dancing interesting is that the male dancer acts very masculine and the lady acts like she wants to seduce the man,"
explained.
I think that more people of the younger generations have become exposed to flamenco dancing and feel that it is more cultural than rock," Greco

## Miss Diamond returins to East

## by Shari Miller

## "It was always my dream to

 come back to Niles East," said Cass Diamond, girls' assistant MISS DIAMOND GRADUATED FROM EAST in 1971. She now tutors in the Special Education Department and coaches tennis, volleyball, badminton, and softball.Miss Diamond participated in these teams and swimming while at East. During her senior year she played in the number one singles position on the tennis team. She was awarded the "most outstanding sophomore in physical education, and ", most outstanding tennis senior. She was chosen editor of the sports won third place in "Reflections", during her freshman year and during her freshman year and participated in other musicals and choir. She was selected and she was elected Homecoming Queen senior year. Miss Diamond
Eastern Illinois University, where she received a degree in Education. She participated on the college volleyball, tennis, and badminton teams.
DURING THE SUMMER SHE DURING THE SUMMER SHE TAUGHT TENNIS in the Laramie Sports Program, which past five years, and she had her own tennis program at the Marriott Hotel for members and guests.
According to Miss Diamond, she was asked to take a coaching
position at Niles North, but first position at Niles North, but first she inquired at East. When she discovered there was an opening, she accepted it.
"Niles East has changed a little," Miss Diamond said. She feels there was more school spirit when she was a student. She also believes opportunities in physical education have improved greatly for girls both in class and competition.


## Reilections " I Lifetime Unique"



Paula Sugarman, Steve Stukas, Danny Santow, Jodi Friedman, and Joe Sochaki compare their father's professions Paula Sugarman,
in "My Old Man"


Phil Rappaport (Charlie Brown) wonders why he's so "blah," while Alison Brantman (Doctor Lucy) prescribes a


Singer, dancers perform the song "Tomorrow Isn't Soon Enough"
(Photo by Alan Cohn)
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 Phil Rappoport and Lisa Poteshman discuss the problems of "Being Green" by Alan Cohn)

(Photo by Alan Schoen) Steve and Cathy Stukas ask what they will be like when they grow up.


Barry Kramer (Elvis Presley) excites the audience.

## periormed on November 17-20



Chorus dancers audition for a musical in "I Hope I Get $\mathrm{It}^{\prime}$ "
Chorus performs "Free to be, You and $\mathrm{Me}^{\prime}$ " in the aisles of the auditorium


Alison Whoto by Steve Feldman) mers tries demands a big, fancy, extravagant wedding, when Ed Nem mers tries to propose in "Old Fashioned Wedding

## DuSable triumphs in Trojan tourney

by Mike Bass

The 1976 Niles East Invi tational Basketball Tournament ended Nov. 20, with DuSable
High School capturing first High
DuSable won the championship by defeating Carver in the final game by a score of 72-65. The order of finish was DuSable first, Carver second, St. Michael third, Von Steuben ourth, Leo fifth, Mt. Carmel ixth, Niles East seventh, and Schaumburg eighth.
Host school, Niles East, took seventh place by defeating Schaumburg 65-56, after losing their first two games to Von Steuben, 77-71, and Mi. Carmel,
84-59. he tournament was Jasper mc-

Elroy of St. Michael, who and led his club to a third place finish.
Jeff Frankel of the Trojans was one of ten players chosen by the coaches to the all-tournament team. Frankel averaged 20.0 points per game. Others picked for all-tournament honors were McElroy of St. Michael, Fred Carter of Leo, Billy Hamilton of Mt. Carmel, John Schmiel of Schaumburg, Jerome Miller f On Steuben, Shawn Thrower Brisbane Hardin and Jimmy Odom from DuSable.
John Schmiel of Schaumburg and Brian Carter of Carver tied or single game scoring honors with 29 points each.

## Wrestlers prepare

## to defend title

by Eric Robin The outlook is bright this year the defending Central Suburban, League champions.

According to Coach Fred Richardi, "We've got an awful lot of kids to work with and they're very enthusiastic." Richardi rearted a large turnout this year, in boys. Last year the Tojans captured eight conference titles in all, including team and individual titles. After grabbing the varsity conference crown, the squad placed second in districts and qualified six men for sectionals. Until key injuries hit high school All Americans Mike Hinske and

Pete Christopolous, Richardi had serious hopes for a state crown. Richardi's coaching staff, which he considers to be one of the best in the area, consists of brothers Steve and Al Poznansky and Karlos Hartunian

This year the Trojans have plenty of depth. Richardi sees four or five class wrestlers competing for one varsity spot -We've got some awfully talented young kids," Richardi claims, including returning sophomore conference champ Chuck Purcell as well as sophomores Dave Polin and Victor Suarez. Richardi can also count on six returning varsity champions in Mark Sonshine, Scott Norris, Rick Yale, Mark Michaels, Steve


Edidin, and Daryl Uhlberg. Other possible starters are
Dennis Lutz, Keith Potts, John Boyjk, Lee Feldstein, Bud Blumenthal, and Dave Hinske
When Dennis Lutz was asked When Dennis Lutz was asked what he attributed the team's The coach, he's all for the team instead of himself He's one hum instead of himself. He s one hu Mark Michaels commented am looking forward to while Bud Blumenthal said This is going to be an enjoyable and successful year for the team Let's have a little school sup-

Captains this year are Dave Hinske, Bud Blumenthal, and Steve Edidin.

## Trojan soccer team wins 1-0 over Maine in overtime

The Trojan Varsity soccer team defeated fifth ranked Maine East in overtime, 1-0, on a goal by Cary Claver. One week earlier, they had been beaten by Maine East 3-0.
As the game started, the Trojans were fired up and played very aggressively, claimed Coach Hollister Sandstead, but no one was able to score. "Brad gass, our goalie, kept us in the well."
Thirty seconds into overtime

Claver, a
ning goal. was beaten 7-0.

## According

 petition. The TrojansMitch Ginsburg threw the ball in from the sidelines to Cary

The Trojan's momentum was upset by Gordon Tech in a sectional game, when Tech forward Robert Meschlack scored six goals against the Trojans. East

Sandstead, than lack plays soccer better than any high school player he
finished the
season with a $7-8$ record, and the freshman soccer team ended their season with a 3-8-1 record

THE TEAM SHOWED SOME BRIGHT SIGNS, said Coach Bill Coulson. "The team hustled and was very coachable, but they did not have enough experience in playing soccer. According to Coulson, the outstanding players on the team included goalie Danny Sarasin halfback Al Friedman, fullback Steve Fogel, and forward Mario Longobardo.

## Fall MVP's are announced

Most valuable player awards were recently announced at
Niles East for the fall sports season.

In girls' sports, M.V.P. honors went to Nancy Ciran in archery, Claudia Brisk in tennis, and Jodi

Coninx in swimming
The most valuable players in boys' sports were Jim Kipnis in football, John O'Malley in soccer, Ed Santacruz in cross
country, and Rick Martini in country, and Rick Martini in golf.

Trojan players who made AllConference teams were Jim Kipnis and Jim Schuman in football, Ed Santacruz in cross country, Dan Stone and John Brisk in girls' tennis Claudia singles).

## Harriers finish up season

The Trojan varsity cross country team ended its season November 8, after capturing the 1976 Niles Township Championship.
The season was also high ighted by the Trojans placing second in the Maine North Invitational, and third in the Trojan Invite, and the Niles West Invite. ${ }^{\text {"H }}$ However, the season was not all that glorious for the Trojan runners," admits Coach Tom

Ristow. The team's 2-5 confer nce record gave them a tie or fifth place, out of eight teams, i
Coach Ristow attributes the fifth place finish to the fact that only one senior runner competed on this year's varsity squad. The eam consisted of senior Ken Golub, and juniors Jim Doum ouras, Barry Finn, Dave Larson Ed Santacruz, and Steve Taibl.

Santacruz was chosen by his teammates "most valuable runner" for this season, while "best team member award," chosen by the coach
Ken Golub.
The sophomore cross country team, under the coaching Todd Dvorak, finished in a tie for third place. Outstanding runners on the team were Phil Waller and Jeff Pozen, according to Coach Ristow.

Football team seems optimistic

## Trojan <br> Talk

## by Mike Bass <br> The 1976 football season at Niles East had many disappointments, but the season was far from a total disaster <br> The biggest plus of the year occurred in the final game of the eason against Glenbrook North.

 After the Trojans scored two consecutive touchdowns in the ourth quarter, the players were up and screaming, cheering each ther on. They were playing like a unit, one whole team, instead f individuals.One of East's problems this year had been their mental attitude. The spirits of many of the players were very low, and for a player to perform, he must correct mental approach. That problem seemed to disappear in the fourth PROOF OF EAST, OSITIVE ATTITUDE entering he off-season comes from the words of some of this year's junors. Jim Kipnis, voted team M.V.P. and selected to the AllConference team along with Jim Schuman, said, "We're going to be working hard for next year." Mark Brutzkus added, "We'll have a better year next year," while Jim Murphy goes much arther stating, "Next year, I hink we can win the con-

## rence

The optimism on the team may have best been summed up by defensive back Rick Yale, who claimed, "We were super-sophs (in '75), and next year we will be super-seniors!
This was a rebuilding year for the Trojans; a year when a big percentage of juniors were being worked into the line-up. These players picked up experience this year that will be valuable to have the experience of a full season of play, plus they have had time to acquaint themselves completely with Coach Feguson's strategies.
Coach Ferguson also stated, - The juniors gained experience. The juniors have learned a lot, although it doesn't show on the

RECAPPING THE SEASON, Coach Ferguson said, "We just didn't block and tackle; if you (a win." don't do that, you don't win."
Leadership from the seniors did not exist," continued Ferguson, difficult for the juniors to come along.'
Ferguson did find some Ferguson did find some positive points about the number of individuals were rushing and a number of indi viduals were catching the bal instead of just one. They (the team) were still trying: they never gave up.

NEXT YEAR LOOKS BRIGHTER, according to Coach Ferguson, "We are a team of the future. Next year I think they the Trojans) will be right up On the sophomore level, this year has been a great success for Head Coach Nick Odlivak and his ball club.
It was a season that has seen last year's winless freshman team come back this year as sophs to finish 4-5.
The Trojan sophomores were plagued all year by injuries. In the very first game of the season, they lost one of their top running backs, Sherwood Blitstein.
Something positive did come out of the loss of some of these players, and that was the realization of the club's good depth. At running back alone, there were at least seven players at the two rushing positions at one
time or another.
"IT'S BEEN A GREAT SEASON," exclaimed Coach showed a lot of the Trojans) sophomores."
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Desire was 200 per cent," added Odlivak, "you expect to get 110 per cent, but these kids gave 200 per cent."
When this year's sophomore eam combines with the juniors from the varsity next season, things could be very interesting
on the Niles East gridiron in

