

'Spring Magic'
Tomorrow

NILEHILITE

8th Grade
Night
Tonight

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Students Nominate 17 For Top Prom Honors

Gold and Blue are traditional school colors, but recently the Nilehi students have seen a lot of pink and blue. Yes, pink! Pink petitions for the girls and blue for the boys have been the cause of a little excitement throughout many of Nilehi's halls and rooms. The race for prom leaders was on. The common expression seemed to be, "Have you signed a petition?"

The day came, and on April 13 at 3:30 in Room 206 petitions were turned in and the official candidates were announced.

They were for the girls: Barbara Banghart, Donna Braun, Beverly Dilley, Marie Halbrendt, Lois Lenberg, Barbara Kokum, Dolores Nellessen, and Marilyn Reiland.

The boys were Tom Brice, Ralph Bruck, Joe Donovan, Robert Fuller, Al Hartig, Mike Henry, Jim Kennedy, Walter Popp, and Elmer Wegener.

As April 20 drew near, the juniors and seniors listened to managers campaigning for their candidates. Who would be the leaders of the biggest social event of the year, the Junior Prom? The dance will be in the Crystal Ballroom of the Edgewater Beach Hotel on June 3.

On April 21 the long awaited moment came.

Psychology Class Takes Trip

Thirty-six psychology students will journey to Dunning State Hospital for a four-hour visit to the institution tomorrow, April 22.

After hearing a lecture on mental health, they will tour five or six different words of the hospital, according to Mr. Leo Babcock, psychology teacher.

Van Horne and Miller Win Music Scholarships

Joanne Van Horne and Joanne Miller, sophomores, recently won scholarships to the Egyptian Music Camp at Du Quoin, Illinois.

Joanne Van Horne won her scholarship through an audition at the North End Women's Club, where she played Mendelssohn's "Rondo Capriccioso."

Joanne Miller achieved this honor through her singing ability. She will also attend the camp for two weeks.

The Crystal Ball

APRIL	
Fri.	21 Track, Morgan Park (There) Baseball, Evanston (There)
Sat.	22 Turnabout Dance, Spring Magic Golf, Waukegan (There)
Mon.	24 Golf, Leyden (There) Baseball, New Trier (Here)
Tues.	25 Track, Highland Park (There)
Wed.	26 Safety Assembly Golf, Highland Park (There) Baseball, Evanston (There)
Fri.	28 Eighth Grade Night Golf, New Trier (Here) Baseball, Waukegan (Here)
Sat.	29 Palatine Relays
MAY	
Mon.	1 Baseball, Proviso (Here)
Tues.	2 Golf, Evanston (Here)
Wed.	3 Track, Arlington (Here) Baseball, Arlington (Here)
Thurs.	4 Golf, Arlington (Here)
Fri.	5 Spring Concert Failure and Warning Notices Due Baseball, Leyden (Here) Golf, Waukegan (Here)
Sat.	6 G.A.A. Playday Mooseheart Relays

Bornemeier, Meyer On School Board

At a recent township election, two new members were voted into positions on the Niles Township High School Board of Education. They are Dr. Walter Bornemeier and Mr. W. Warren Meyer.

Dr. Bornemeier is a graduate of Northwestern Medical School and is an instructor of surgery there. He is president of the staff at Illinois Masonic Hospital, a member of the American Board of Surgeons, Fellow American College of Surgeons, Illinois State Medical Society and the Chicago Medical Society. He has three children—a daughter, Beattie, is a senior at Nilehi, and a daughter, Lois, was graduated in 1947.

Mr. Meyer is a graduate engineer of Purdue University. He is president of the General Blower Company in Morton Grove, owner of W. Meyer & Sons, a factory in Skokie, and has been a resident of Skokie since 1932. He has five children, two now attending Niles, Bob, a junior, and Dick, a freshman. Another son, William Warren, Jr, was graduated in 1945.

These members are replacing Miss Mildred Tess and Mr. Peter Kluesing, who have been on the board since the high school was organized.

Dilley and Popp Elected

Congratulations to the leaders of
the 1950 Junior Prom:

Beverly Dilley
and
Walter Popp

Girls Take Over At 'Spring Magic'

"In the spring, most Nilehi girls' thoughts turn to Spring Magic," said the members of the G.A.A. who sponsor the annual turnabout dance.

Spring Magic will be presented tomorrow night, April 22, in the boy's gym with Johnny Marlowe and his orchestra to provide the dance music from 9 until midnight.

Bids, which have been on sale all week, are two dollars per couple, and in the regular turnabout tradition, the girls will make vegetable corsages for their dates. A prize will be awarded for the corsage judged most original, according to the G.A.A. board.

Committee chairman for Spring Magic: Bev Dilley, dance chairman; Pat Walne, tickets; Ellen Coleman and Bonnie Kelley, publicity; and Joyce Baumann, decorations.

Chaperons for the dance will be Miss Helen Heitmann, Mrs. Valerie Gallagher, Mr. James Phipps, Miss Theresa Kranz, and Miss Kathleen Atkinson.

Eighth Graders See Preview Of Niles in Program Tonight

The annual Eighth Grade Night will be held tonight, April 21, at 8 o'clock. The program will be divided into three sections.

One section will be a combination musical presentation and art exhibit presented by Miss Klaus, Mr. Wilkins, and their respective groups. Another section will be the intramural swimming meet held in the pool in which both boys and girls will compete under the direction of Miss Gertrude Montgomery and Mr. Anton Schubert.

The third section will be a dramatic skit in the assembly under the direction of Miss Virginia Stemp.

Honor Society Inducts 22

The Nilehi chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 22 new members at an all-school assembly April 12.

The ten juniors were John Bray, Bob Richter, Don Walter, Junarden Williams, Jane Heath, Ann Ahlberg, Joyce Baumann, Barbara Shields, Charles Owen, and Allan Weissburg.

The twelve seniors were Nancy Gerhardt, Dick Swanson, Jim Nock, Pat Walne, Rosemary Schnell, Jean Kelly, Rosemary Shuman, Ronald Peterson, Paul Slusser, Joyce Swartz, Ted Dolan, and Dorothy Hartigan.

The former members, 11 seniors, conducted the ceremonies of the initiation.

German Club Plans Evening for Fathers

The students of the German class will entertain their fathers at a dinner Thursday, April 27, in the school cafeteria, according to Miss Theresa Kranz, teacher of German.

Typical German foods will be served by Mrs. Katie Kestenholz, and the program will include a German dance, films of Germany prior to the war, and German songs sung by the members of the class.

This is the first banquet of its kind given by the German department at Nilehi.

The members of the French club attended a luncheon at Jacque's Restaurant in Chicago on Saturday, April 15, according to Miss Jean Small, teacher of French.

From the Exchanges

One of the most interesting clubs we've seen yet is the Hammond High School's Auto Club. This club owns several cars. To give students driving practice, anyone who lives at a distance and does not take the bus can be picked up and brought to school if he leaves his name with the club.

Move onward, move onward,
O time in thy flight;
Make the bell ring
Before I recite.

from "The Shore Line"

He: My sister ate some chicken yesterday.

She: Croquette?

He: No, but she is very sick.

from "The Foreman News"

Prof: Everytime I breathe, someone passes into eternity.

Student: Try cloves.

from the "Student 'W' World"

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Strictly Senior

Material for the special alumni edition of the NILEHILITE is now being prepared.

The plan for this edition is to have a regular NILEHILITE with several pages put in between pages two and three telling about the activities of the '49 graduates.

Cards have been sent to all the members of the class of '49, asking them for information about their whereabouts and activities.

Vacation time brought four members of the '49 graduating class back to the halls of Nilehi for a visit in the journalism class.

Donna Korsmo, now working at Wieboldt's in Evanston; Bill Graefen, now at the University of Michigan; Ed Beebe, now at DePauw University; and Jack Huerlin, now at Wheaton College, were the visitors.

Lou Keeseey and Paul Slusser, seniors, attended a "Father and Son" luncheon held by the Illini Club of Chicago at the LaSalle Hotel on Saturday, April 8.

Both boys, who have shown interest in the University of Illinois, were guests of Mr. C. D. Wagstaff, a resident of Skokie and a member of the Illini Club.

The Senior Vocations classes boarded the buses again last week, this time bound for the Portland Cement Association, where they toured the plant.

The following Thursday, a representative from the plant, Miles Catton, spoke to the group about the company.

Rex Western and Chuck Serum slept three hours past breakfast call one morning on the Washington trip, and the entire group was detained while someone ran back to the boat to awaken them. They almost missed the bus.

Junior Takes Trip - Around the Corner

Taking the advice of Miss Grace Harbert, tour manager, Jim Dilley, junior, hired a cab when he found that he couldn't find his way back to the hotel during the Washington trip. The cab driver drove around the corner and let Jim out in front of the Hotel. The fare: 40 cents.

Takes First Place In District Meet

Dorothy Hartigan, senior, represented Nilehi last Monday in the HERALD AMERICAN Oratorical Contest, held at the Jones Commercial High School in Chicago.

Dorothy won first place over six other schools and will compete in the sectionals on Saturday, April 29.

Winners of the successive contests will compete at Orchestra Hall, April 29, then at the regional covering six to eight states, and at the national finals at Baltimore, Maryland.

Traffic Safety to Be Theme of Next Assembly

"Sportsmanship in Traffic Safety" will be the subject of the next all-school assembly to be held at Nilehi, Wednesday, April 26.

The program, which is sponsored by the Cook County Traffic Safety Commission, will be under the direction of Mr. Fred Lindstrom and features Mr. Pat Flanagan, radio and television commentator.

For many years a radio sports commentator, Mr. Flanagan is well remembered for his play-by-play descriptions of the Chicago Cub baseball games.

SHORT CUTS

During the Washington Trip a group was viewing the slave quarters of the Lee Mansion in Virginia.

"I wouldn't have liked to be a slave," remarked Jo Paterno. "They don't have running water out here."

One day in Mr. Burgener's algebra class this announcement came over the P.A., "Bill Carroll is the winner of the dog biscuit contest."

Mr. Burgener then turned to Bill and said, "Did you do that by algebra?"

Lois Bornemeier, class of '47, has recently been elected president of Alpha Delta Pi sorority at Purdue University.

There are 1600 lockers in Nilehi!

She's new, she's lovely, she waves at everyone. What's her name, did you say? Why its "Old Glory," the new flag on the Nilehi flagpole.

This 'n' That - - - Teacher Bound in Stock

Mr. Clement Meier, one of the chaperons on the Washington trip, apparently was trying to practice his chaperoning technique when, by mistake, he rapped on the door of the room of a sixty-year-old man and told him to be quiet and to go to sleep.

Mrs. Baker recently assigned her second-period senior English class to read the letters of the eighteenth-century writers. When she asked why the class hadn't done the assignment, Joe Donovan replied, "We couldn't read someone else's mail, could we?"

To quiet a disturbance in his problems class recently, Mr. John L. Betts pulled what looked like a policeman's night stick from his desk drawer and shook it at offenders. Careful investigation revealed that it was only a cigar about a foot long and an inch thick.

Did you know that there are 27 classrooms in Nilehi, not including the various shops?

There are also 41 clocks of the regular type and six special ones, plus the master timepiece in the office.

Did you know that 132 frosh fellas are trying to put Fannie May, Mrs. Snyder and other candy making concerns out of business? It seems that Miss Butler, in her five freshmen boys' cooking classes, has given the boys recipes for various kinds of quick, easy candy. Now the boys can make their own candy to take to that "certain girl."

While visiting Jamestown on the Washington trip, Jim Davis, senior, accidentally dropped a plate—cracking a plate glass window.

The early American settlers had nothing on many Nilehi boys who toured Washington during the spring vacation. While at the Williamsburg Inn in Virginia, some of the boys bought pipes similar to those used by the colonists. The pipes were about 12 inches long and made of clay.

While on their sightseeing bus in Washington, the students on the trip saw the house with seven kitchens—Mr. and Mrs. Kitchen, the four little Kitchens, and the regular Kitchen of the house.

"All the fine money collected throughout the year will pay for new pictures in the cafeteria" according to Miss Grace Harbert, cafeteria supervisor.



Though Miss Grace Harbert's students may like to put her in the stocks on test days, she did it for fun when she visited Williamsburg, Virginia, with 180 juniors, seniors, and faculty during the spring vacation trip to Washington, D.C.

Two Sophomores Awarded Music Camp Scholarships

She's talented. She has red hair and blue eyes. Who? Joanne Van Horne, sophomore. Joanne recently won one of the two music scholarships to the Egyptian Music Camp. She is the pianist for Rollin Oliver's Blue Notes.

Joanne is active in the G.A.A., and the Spotlighters and she especially likes swimming, study hall, driver's education, geometry, and convertibles. Her pet peeve is girls who smoke. After graduation, Joanne would like to go to Northwestern University and major in music.

Blond hair and brown eyes—that's Joanne Miller, sophomore, who won the other scholarship to the Egyptian Music Camp.

When asked what she liked most about Nilehi, Joan replied, "The kids," but she thinks lunch periods should be an hour long and that we should have ten minutes between classes.

Joanne has a variety of likes: watermelon, vacations, music and kittens. After school she likes to drive or go horseback riding. She doesn't like people who smoke or swear. Joan hopes to go to college after high school.

New System in Cafeteria

It seems that while the majority of Nilehi's population was enjoying its spring vacation all activity had not stopped within the walls of N.T.H.S.

Besides the washing and polishing that usually goes with spring vacation, the school cafeteria was rearranged and new facilities were added.

The idea for the new system was to increase the number of facilities such as new steam tables, bottle and ice cream coolers, and sandwich display cases, and to reroute the traffic so that students will be able to get their lunches quicker, according to Mr. Ohlson. It now takes about seven minutes to serve one lunch period.

Dear Diary

by Barbara Olso.1

Well, here we are again back at the "old grind," with Washington only a sweet memory and our fatigue as a reminder of how much sleep we didn't have. Yes, there seemed to be two commodities we constantly ran out of—sleep and water.

As we look back on the many events that were crammed into those five long days (they started at 5:30 in the morning and lasted until midnight) we can comment more broadly on some of them:

The train ride East—uneventful, except that our Diesel broke down, we ran out of water five times, and traffic was pretty heavy between cars.

Washington on arrival—gray and rainy, just like any other city until the sun came out.

Washington Monument—we all tested our endurance on those 930 stairs and were amply rewarded by the gorgeous view from the top.

Annapolis—quaint, picturesque town, and interesting modern Naval Academy.

Our "Boat"—wonderful, three decks to run around on, and enough water at last!

Williamsburg—lived "in the past" all afternoon, then thought we'd have to live there all night, because of some "lost" passengers who almost made us miss the boat.

F.B.I.—rather intriguing, especially the shooting range where everybody learns "to shoot to kill."

Bus trip through Embassy district—memorable mostly because of the humorous remarks made by "Georgie," most beloved of the guides.

Mount Vernon—beautiful home, beautiful scenery, beautiful day!

Arlington Cemetery—none who witnessed it will ever forget the solemn and poignant change of the guard before the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Capitol—rather confusing, though very beautiful, with lovely mosaic floors and marble staircases.

House of Representatives—noticed there were more people in the gallery than there were on the floor; also witnessed a lovely battle of words over an issue that had been dead for over a year.

Meals, in general—pretty good, except for the overabundance of ham and apple pie.

Washington on departure—sunny, full of cherry blossoms, and too beautiful to leave—but we did!

Everyone who went to Washington during spring vacation was impressed with the view from the Washington Monument. There is, however, one exception to this statement.

Carol Enke, senior, climbed up and down the 930 stairs, and forgot to look out the window!

Tourney Indicates Nilehi Cage Future

Beware, future cage opponents of Niles! The recent grade school tournament held at Nilehi indicates that basketball in the township is on the upgrade.

With the aid of the coaches, some of the future Trojans have already been tabbed.

From Sharp Corner's championship squad, three members showing promise are Bill Proft, John Daus, and Larry Johns. Daus tallied 53 points in four tournament games.

Cleveland school, the runner-up to Sharp Corner, also has several promising players. Bill Pohlson and "Red" Barrow make a "Mutt and Jeff" combination. Pohlson stands close to six feet, while Barrow just nudges five feet.

"Captain Ronnie Hicks of Morton Grove's Warriors is as dependable as Ray Riha, Nilehi sophomore cage captain who comes from Morton Grove," said Mr. Edward Eckhardt, Warrior coach after his team copped third place in the tourney.

Jerry Krueger and Mitchell Berg sparked Lincolnwood to the fourth spot in the tourney.

Other players who may possibly look forward to careers at Nilehi are Jim Elliot, East Prairie; Jay Russell, Golf; Jim Battenbury, Lincoln; Bob Miller, St. Peters; Al Karnatz, Niles Township Lutheran; and Willie Lamnersfield, Niles Public.

Cindermen Aiming For Wins, Records

With the 1950 track season now in full swing, the Nilehi cindermen will not only be out for many victories, but will be shooting for individual records as well. Some of these records still stand from 1942, and others were set as recently as last year.

Howie Johnson's mile record of 4.32:6 and half-mile mark of 2.04:8 set in 1942 and 1943 respectively are the oldest records still standing. Raymond Nitch owns the shot put mark of 45.4 feet which he set in 1943.

Among recent records are those of 1949 when John Boznos set the discus mark at 134 feet, when Marty Seidler set the high jump mark at five feet 10 inches, and when Don Siegel, Jack De-Stories, Conrad Cornell, and Ed Butterworth collaborated to do the mile relay in 3.42.

George Pasek holds the most individual records with top marks in the 220-yard dash, 100-yard dash, 880-yard relay, and mile medley.

Jim Heiniger holds the pole vault and high hurdle records; Bob Farr, the 440-yard dash; Howie Siegel, the broad jump; and Jack Suydam, the low hurdle mark.

Sport Shorts

By Jack Nettland

Don Biehn, Nilehi graduate of 1948, and pitcher on that year's baseball team that went to the semi-finals of the State Tourney, has recently been pitching for the Rutgers University baseball team during a tour of the southern United States.

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The Trojan baseball teams, while in the Northeast Conference, tied with Arlington Heights for the most championship titles gained by taking five. Leyden took one, and Warren also one. Nilehi's honors were gained in 1940, 1945, 1946, 1947, and 1948.

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Ralph Bruck, center on this year's Nilehi varsity basketball team, now has a 21-point average in the Niles Township cage league in which he plays.

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While in the Northeast Conference, the Trojan cindermen were second only to Crystal Lake in the number of track championships taken. The Men of Troy took titles in 1946, 1947, and 1949, while Crystal Lake was crowned in 1940, 1941, 1942, and 1945.

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The 1950 grade school basketball tournament followed closely the pattern set by the very first one held by Nilehi. Way back in the year 1933, Sharp Corner, like this year, took first place, and Cleveland took second as they did in this year's tourney.

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When this year's grade-school track championship is held, it will be a continuation of a tradition started way back in 1934. That year, Lincoln grade school captured the initial total by scoring 84 2/3 points.

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The 1950 Nilehi baseball season may have just begun, but Trojan baseball wars had their start way back in the year 1932, when the varsity team beat Northbrook, and lost to St. George and Evanston's frosh-soph twice while playing at Lincoln school.

Two Make Hi-Y All-Stars

Clyde Schultz, Nilehi senior, and Walter De Stories, Nilehi junior, recently represented the Niles Township High School chapter of the Hi-Y in the All-Star Hi-Y basketball games played at the Y.M.C.A. in Evanston on Friday, March 31, according to Mr. George Roth, club sponsor.

Clyde, who was second highest scorer in the league during the regular season's play with 116 points, played on the All-Star senior team that met the league champions. Walter, who played in the junior league during the regular season, played for the junior All-Stars in the game against that division's champion.

Both the junior and senior Hi-Y teams at Niles were coached during the season by Mr. Charles Sinclair.

Steward Captures Bowling Honors

Evelyn Steward, junior, recently became the national girl's individual bowling champion when she bowled a 549 scratch series with an eight handicap for a 183 average in the National Junior Bowling Congress tournament.

Evelyn rolled games of 213, 171, and 165 to capture the title for which she will receive a trophy at the bowling banquet in May.

Participating in this tournament were 1,243 teams from 43 states.

During the past season, Evelyn regularly bowled games over 150, her high three-game series being 491, while her high game was 202. She rolled up a season's average of 142.

Evelyn, who has been bowling for three years, says, "It's the greatest honor I've ever had, and I'm really looking forward to another year of bowling."

Grade School Boys Swim in Nilehi Meet

Sixty grade-school students recently competed in the first annual Niles Township High School Invitational Swim Meet sponsored by the Nilehi Lettermen's club on April 14-15 in the Nilehi pool. Mr. Anton Schubert, Nilehi swimming coach, was director of the meet.

The students competed in four different groups, seven and eight year olds, nine and 10 year olds, 11 and 12 year olds, and 13 year olds and over. Medals and ribbons were awarded in four events, the 25-yard back stroke, the 25-yard breast stroke, the 25-yard free-style, and the diving contest.

Winners of first place medals in the back stroke by their respective age groups were Howard Christensen, Dean Ness, and Dick Erickson.

First place breast stroke medals were awarded to Bobby Clemens, Doug Schubert, Dick Kendler, and George Weyner.

The free-style medals were given to Joe Witry, David Siefen, Dean Ness, and Dick Erickson.

First place diving honors went to Jim Stoner and "Red" Barrow.

Four Make All-Area Fives

Four Nilehi basketball players were named on All-Star teams recently. Fred Brei, senior forward, was placed on the all-Chicago area freelance first team, and received honorable mention on the all-Chicago area team.

Ken Howard, sophomore guard, was awarded a second-team position on the all-Chicago area freelance team.

Ralph Bruck, senior center, and Marty Seidler, center and mid-year graduate, were given honorable mention on the all-Chicago area freelance team.