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### News Hilites

#### Key Club Sponsors Hockey

Tonight is the all-school floor hockey jamboree. The Key Club has planned an entertainment program including a rock group, carnival booths, and food to complement the hockey tournament. Admission is \$1 for an evening of fun, which will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the contest gym.

THIS FUND-RAISING activity is another of the nationally known Key Club's community and school improvement ideas. During its first year in existence, Easthi's chapter collected funds for several children's charities, including the La Rabida organization, and canvassed Skokie to promote the blood program. The club is now planning to repaint the bleachers in Isaacson Field. Recently-elected officers include Marc Zinman, president; Phil Adelman, vice-president; and Bob Somerman, treasurer. Past president Rick Short was elected governor of the Illinois and eastern Iowa district, and will travel around the country.

#### P-F Decision Pending

The new pass/fail policy designed by the School Policy and Procedures Committee is now pending administrative approval.

THE PROPOSAL READS: We adopt for the fall semester 1973 that upon receiving the semester report card, any student may change a passing semester grade to pass (P) as long as three letter grades in three subject areas are maintained. This would be a blanket policy covering all major courses including those not offered as pass/fail this year.

The present policy requires students to declare pass/fail within the first five days of the semester.

**NEXT FALL THE** committee will begin considering the subject of grade point averages which an EPDC subcommittee and the administration are working on presently.

#### Seniors Present Gift

This year's Senior Class gift will be a set of speakers for the auditorium at a cost of approximately \$1,000. The Building Fund will provide \$350, and \$650 will come from the money left by the senior cabinets of '70 and '71 combined with that of this year's group. According to Mr. John Nix, Building Superintendent, the speakers, which will aid the sound system and reduce feedback, have priority in the Building Fund budget. The installation will be completed before next fall.

#### Groups Help Handicapped

Two local organizations which are helping to raise money for research and treatment of mental retardation are Help A Retarded Child (HARC) Inc. and the Skokie Youth Association for the Mentally Retarded. HARC'S major annual event is Skokie Canning Day. In the past, Easthi students have helped collect thousands of dollars. This year, the date is Saturday, June 23. For details, call Mrs. Judi Goldman at 966-3735. The Youth Association is planning an ecology hike. For more information contact seniors Carol Kamen or Barb Solan.

#### Clock Beats Auto Team

Seniors Steve Hoffman and Tom Kahn represented Niles East at the regional Trouble-shooting contest sponsored by the Plymouth division of Chrysler Motors. They almost succeeded in locating all the planted malfunctions, but were forced to make a last-second decision to abandon the search and drive across the finish line, thus averting the fate of 14 teams who never even started. There were only 15 teams who found all the troubles. Forty teams were entered.



Mr. Robert Anderson, choral director, announces the Girls' Glee Club's next selection at last Sunday's Music Festival. (Photo by Mike Fryer)

# **Achievers Honored**

The Ninth Annual Academic Awards Assembly honored students receiving various awards on Tuesday evening, May 15, in the Niles East Auditorium. A reception for parents and students followed the program.

Students earning 13-14 honor points during their seven semesters at Niles East earned gold pins for scholarship.

Gold Pins have been awarded to:

Bruce Barron, Scott Bieber, Elysa Blacker, Judy Dai, Alice Diamond, Karen Esken, Richard Fantus, Amy Ginsburg, Ilene Goodman, John Hasmonek, Donald Heiman, Gary Kahan, Lesley Kaplan, Jeffery Langer, Laura Lillien, Marylee Melvin, Laura Miller, Alyce Miner, Linda Mylroie, Eric Nagel, Debra Schoenbrod, Karen Shimizu, Leonard Soffer, David Steirman, Steven Sussman, Karen Werner, and Norman Yoshimura.

Edmund James Scholars University of Illinois have been awarded to:

Jack Deutsch, Glenn I. Gross, John S. Hasmonek, Richard P. Hotton, Mark Isaacson, Clifford H. Rudnick, and Judy Yang.

The seniors inducted into the National Honor Society this year are:

Bruce Barron, Ronda Daniels, Jack Deutsch, Robert Fein, Cheryl Frank, Robert Letchinger, Charles Lutz, John Nikitow, Richard Powers, Debra Schoenbrod, Gayle Snitman, Leonard Soffer, David Steirman, Lorin Sucherman, and Norman Yoshimura.

Those seniors inducted into the National Honor Society during their junior year were:

Richard Angell, Scott Bieber, Laura Black, Elysa Blacker, Judy Dai, Karyn Esken, Richard Fantus, Cindy Fine, Amy Ginsburg, Ilene Goodman, John Hasmonek, Lawrence Iser, Lesley Kaplan, Michelle Kulwin, Jeffery Langer, Laura Lillien, Pamela Margules, Marylee Melvin, Laura Miller, Alice Miner Eric Nagel, Holly Robin, Karen Shimizu, Katherine Siavelis, Jeffery Silber, Marty Singer, Steven Sussman, David Tresley, Diana Waller, Karen Werner, and Janice Winer.

Also inducted into the National Honor Society this year were juniors:

Jill Aronovitz, Robin Bezark, John Cascino, James Cohn, Harold Cooper, Robert Feder, Debra Filinson, Sherrie Friedman, Wendy Gartenberg, Robyn Gill, Seth Gold, Jill Goldberg, Jill Goldstein, Phillip Green, Marcia Helfgott, Omar Hernandez, Andrea Jacobson, Leo Kelly, Ruth Landsman. Bradley Lerman, Jan Levin, Jeffery Lillien, Paul Mandell, Sharon Matsumoto, Ronald Miller, Gary Pineless, Daniel Rappoport, Julia Rath, Joan Sklair, Dawn Solberg, Michele Vale, Jay Weller, Donna Whisler, Pamela Winans, and Kathy Zimbler.

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation finalist was Scott A. Bieber; semifinalist Richard Angell. Those receiving Letters of Commendation were:

Elysa Blacker, Randal Blair, Susan Brody, Jack Deutsch, Karyn Esken, Amy Ginsburg, Ilene Goodman, Cecil Harrold, Gregg Krech, Keith Kreitman, Michelle Kulwin, Elizabeth Kusek, Jeffery Langer, Laura Lillien, Laura Miller, Richard Powers, Steven Romanoff, David Tresley, Thomas Wasserberg, Jon Wasserman, Karen Werner, and Michael Winter.

Illinois State Scholarships have been awarded to:

Shepherd Abrams, Richard Angell, Bruce Barron, Mary Berman, Scott Bieber, Laura Black, Elysa Blacker, Richard Blanke, Harry Borovik, Susan Brody, Joseph Cone, Judy Dai, Ronda Daniels, Jacob Deutsch, Alice Diamond, Fern Duberchin, Karyn Esken, Richard Fantus, Robert Fein, Allen Feldman, Cindy Fine, Nancy Fisher, Cheryl Frank, Hallie Friedman, Nancy Gerchikov, Amy Ginsburg, Cheryl Gliksman, Ilene Goodman, David Haake, John Hasmonek, Donald Heiman, Mark Isaacson, Lawrence Iser, Richard Jonas, Gary Kahan, Lillian Kahn, Ronald Kammer, Richard Kamo, Susan Kaplan, Gregg Krech, Michelle Kulwin, Elizabeth Kusek, Jeffery Langer, Robert Letchinger, Laura Lillen, Glenn Lubin, Charles Lutz, Judy Maedge, Richard Marks, Karen Mayer, Marylee Melvin, Marcia Merkin, Adele Meyers, Laura Miller, Michael Mrowka, Linda Mylroie, Eric Nagel, Stuart Nelson, John Nikitow, Richard Powers, Robert Render, Daniel Robin, Holly Robin, Irwin Romanek, Steven Romanoff, Ronald Rubin, Henry Sadovsky, Richard Salter, Debra Schoenbrod, Karen Shimizu, Katherine Siavelis, Martin Singer, Gayle Snitman, Leonard Soffer, Philip Spitz, David Steirman, Lynne Stiefel, Lorin Sucherman, Jeffrey Tabor, David Tresley, Diana Waller, Jon Wasserman, Jane Weinstein, Karen Werner, Janice Winer, Michael Wirtshafter, Ferne Wolf, Karen Wrzepski, Norman Yoshimura, and James Robert Ziah.

# Ceremonies End for Seniors ar's graduation ceremony will processional will begin at 3 p.

This year's graduation ceremony will mark the end of an era not only for some 500 participating seniors, but for Niles East as well.

VALEDICTORIAN Scott Bieber will speak for the Class of 1973, which witnessed the most dramatic changes since East first opened in 1936.

Open campus, APEX English, Student Appeals Board, and Wesley Gibbs were all unknown to these students who first entered in 1969. But by the end of their four years here they had adapted to these innovations while memories of study halls, underground newspapers, and two English teachers named Palm and Pildes were long forgotten.

BESIDES remarks by Bieber and Salutatorian Karen Werner, no other speeches will be delivered. As Dr. Colver has said, "we want this year's graduation to be brief and to the point."

Weather permitting, the graduation

processional will begin at 3 p.m. at Isaacson Field. The Intermediate Band and Choir will provide the music, including the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance."

# Contest Continues With Feder, Elkins in Runoff Today

Robert Feder and Gary Elkins are vying for the presidency of Student Senate today in a special runoff election. Polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the contest gym foyer.

The results of Tuesday's primary election were: Feder, 333 votes; Elkins, 213; Leonard Mayer, 117; Scott Apton, 70; Corey Levens, 65; Howard Nelson, 57; and Eliot S. Osherman, 5.

All are juniors except for Nelson, a freshman.

Also on Tuesday's ballot was a referendum on the adoption of a new student government constitution to replace the present Student Legislature. The referendum passed overwhelming by a vote of 687 to 122.

The new student government proposal called for the creation of a new organization to be known as Student Senate.

**DESIGNED TO** replace the now defunct Student Legislature, the Senate would differ most from its predecessor in the makeup of its membership. The proposed constitution provides for each duly recognized school club and organization to send one delegate to act as a voting member.

According to the author of the new constitution, Robert Feder, "Student Senate will not make the mistake of previous student governments by catering only to a small group. Under our proposal, the Senate would be truly representative of the largest cross-section of students."

FOR INTERESTED students who do not wish to represent a club, a provision for "at-large members" is also in the constitution. A petition of 50 students' signatures is required for this alternative membership.

# Prom 1973: A Tradition Lives

Niles East's Prom of 1973, to be held tomorrow evening at 7:30 p.m., promises through its theme, to provide many couples some unforgettable "Moments to Remember." Prom's setting, the Gold Room of the Pick-Congress Hotel in Chicago, will be decorated in old Victorian

SEVERAL INNOVATIONS will highlight this year's Prom. The major change includes a sit-down dinner along with the traditional dancing. Couples were offered a choice of roast turkey and chopped sirloin as their entrees. Music will be provided by Ernie Nordeen and his ten-piece orchestra, the "Versatones". The \$17 bids covered the cost of both entertainment and food.

The traditional crowning of the Prom King and Queen will be held at about 10:30 p.m. Couples who are running include Marc Glassman and Wendy Michaels, Gregg Krech and Lynn Iving, Eric Nagel and Shelly Schuman, John Nikitow and Terese Noesen, Jeff Orlove and Laurie Greiman, and Dave Thomas and Janice Theodore. Upperclassmen voted Tuesday and Wednesday to choose the winners.

PRIOR TO THE coronation, several award winners, chosen in the Nilehilite Senior Survey will be recognized, including the Best Couple, the most talented boy, and the best girl conversationalist.

## Summer Classes Still Open

The Niles Township summer school program includes regular academic courses in English, mathematics, science and social studies, as well as many other subjects. Many of the courses offered are quite different from those given during the regular school year. Biology Camp and Art in Nature are examples where students actually leave the classroom, and thus obtain a better understanding of what they are studying.

FOR THOSE students who are interested in fulfilling their consumer education requirement, Management for Living is available. Driver Education

courses also are offered for those who do not want to wait for the fall.

After much controversy, it has finally been decided that a Human Relations Seminar also will be offered. This course, which promises to be quite interesting and fulfilling, will touch upon everything from psychology and philosophy, to religion and the arts.

FOR THOSE who are interested in enrolling in summer school, more information can be obtained by seeing one's counselor or by calling the summer school office at 966-3800, extension 447.

#### Readers' Express

# Student Heckling Disrupts Free Speech

To the Students of Niles East:

I was backstage for two of the Student Senate assemblies and in the auditorium for the third. All three times I heard jeering as each candidate was introduced.

But what happened when candidate Scott Apton was introduced disturbed me most. He was shouted by jeers of "Commie" before he could even say his name. The closed-mindedness and unwillingness to let Scott express his beliefs was a disgrace to the student body of Niles East.

The first amendment to the Constitution of the United States guarantees the right to free speech. This was blatantly ignored by the students. They should have listened respectfully to what he had to say and then shown their disagreement pro-- through discussion and expression of ideas, rather than catcalls.

-Warren Silver '75

#### An Open Letter to Scott Apton:

In your 'revolutionary communist youth campaign program,' you stated, "No cops in the schools — no administration 'security guards.' "You went on to say, "Their real function is not protection but intimidation." If this is fact, can I ask you how you got out of Niles East in one piece on May 17 without being torn apart? You got out because of the 'security guards.'

One more point I would like to make is that you said, "The school must not be used to bolster the military arm of the ruling class, which is used only for repression." If you do not want this then why did you also say, "We demand open dis-

school as a right, not a privilege, without administrative interference"? It seems that you want to eliminate the programs that you want, and not the students of Niles East. Remember you said 'freedom of speech,' not just for what you want but all forms of it.

-Mark Edwin '74

#### Senior Graduating Glad She Was Involved To the Editor:

As I approach graduation happy and confident about my future, I am also sad about leaving Niles East. Although I have been here for only two years, I have had rewarding experiences with students and faculty. I hope I have been able to make East a better school for future students. I would like to thank all those faculty members and administrators for making themselves available in times of need. I hope underclassmen will not give up improving Niles East by not joining clubs and organizations in the coming years. High school is as good as you make it. Yes, there are deficiencies, but these can be corrected. We need involved people, people who will reach out and help others.

My dream of graduation has finally arrived. But on graduation day I will forget the bad times and remember the wonderful days I've had being a high school student. I know I will have a tear in my eye because I know life will never be the same again. The old saying is true and I leave it to all returning students: Appreciate what you've got now. It's not as bad as you think.

-Ronda Daniels '73

#### Drama Dept. Offers Real Teamwork, Friends To the Editor:

My most memorable experiences were those I found in my junior and senior years in the theater and music departments.

There is no greater satisfaction for me than feeling that a performance has been successful, and that I helped to make it so.

Working closely together on a show builds more solidified relationships than "Hi, how are you?" acquaintances so common today. The teamwork involved in putting a show on stage far exceeds that required to win a sports contest.

Working with Mr. Jerry Proffit, I have found him to be one of the finest and fairest teachers in the school. He is responsible for the success of Niles East's stage productions, but I have never seen him compared to any athletic coach as a leader of students.

Let's change the emphasis at Niles East from the athletic to the theater department, the real men and women of Troy. Underclassmen, you still have chance to experience what I did. -Jeff Langer '73

**Editor's Note:** The editor reserves all right to edit letters due to space limitations.

# Irwin Ginsburgh Board

Here are some final observations for your consideration:

-Dr. Irwin Ginsburgh was the only board member to dissent to a recent resolution supporting the right of 18-year-olds to seek school board membership. His objection was that the community had not been consulted previously on the matter. This constitutes a significant departure from Dr. Ginsburgh's sentiments on an earlier issue when he asserted, "We can't take a poll on all our actions. The buck stops here."

-The request by some Niles East choir members to donate part of last Sunday's Music Festival receipts to the Walk with Israel fund was rejected by six out of seven board members as setting an unwanted precedent. Dissenter George Hanus felt the students should be able to allocate their money as they see fit.

The district's Computer Usage Committee will submit its report to the Board on June 18. Among its recommendations will be that parents should be given the option of not receiving weekly attendance mailers for next

-Thanks to the diligence of Niles East Counselor Pat Sanborn, her proposed summer school course, Human Relationships, was approved on its second time around by the Board. Their original rejection was labelled "grossly hypocritical" in this column, and the new Board members felt the course merited reconsideration.

-Retiring veteran Niles East teachers Dr. John Betts and Mr. Carl Burgener will be honored at the June 18 board meeting, 7700 Gross Point Road, at 8 p.m. In case you've got nothing better to do over the summer, other meetings are scheduled for July 16 and August 20, same time, same place.

# Editors Express Farewell Thoughts

As co-editor of the Nilehilite, I have found that the tone of each year's issues reflect the views and interests of the students involved. The paper is not censored except by a code of good journalism exercised by every responsible news-

IN RECENT YEARS the Nilehilite has fluctuated between the radical and conservative. Through reports on such topics as the School Board, local elections, and views of the administration, this year's staff has attempted to increase your awareness of the persons and decisions which most profoundly affect school policy, in addition to the artistic, intellectual, and athletic events which add so much to the quality of this

The Nilehilite can be, and say, what you want it to, if only you'll share your ideas.

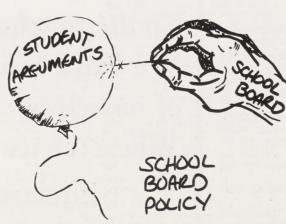
> Laura Miller Editor-in-Chief

Looking back on high school and on all the numerous memorable, unusual, funny, or merely interesting experiences I've gained here, I found that so many of the above come under the general category of being on the newspaper staff. The people I encountered while working on the staff were as numerous and interesting as the experiences I had. I'd like to thank a few of them now for all that they've contributed to one big "memorable experience."

THE FIRST HAS to be Mrs. Scherb, our sponsor, who handled every major and minor crisis calmly and somehow never stopped coming up with ways to improve the newspaper. I still don't know how she's made it through this year's aggravations. Next, my current co-editor, Laura Miller, who's also changed the paper for the better in so many ways, and who's helped me meet deadlines and chase people around more times than I'm sure she cares to remember. I could say the same for Janet Coclanis, who was coeditor first semester. And to the rest of a great staff, who have become too numerous to mention individually — but who are all unforgettable in their own ways. Finally — and I hope he reads this — our publisher, Mr. Springston. I can't believe what he's put up with!

TO NEXT YEAR'S editors-in-chief, Scott Jacobson and Ron Miller, to Leslie Miller, who will take over as feature editor, and to Rob Feder, who will become editorial director, I wish the best of luck in turning out another awardwinning newspaper, which I'm sure will improve with every issue. I hope next year's editors — in spite of all the day-to-day frustrations — will find their experiences as memorable as I did.

> Michelle Kulwin **Editor-in-Chief**



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### – Editorial –

# P/F Serves as Compromise

Students have been conditioned to work for a grade for eight years before they enter high school. Grade point average often becomes the most significant motivating factor in working at a course.

The pass/fail system originally was adopted to allow students to venture into new subject areas without hindering their grade point average, and yet encourage them to be motivated in all their courses.

ADOPTION OF THE pass/fail system was an admission of fault in the grading structure—the fear of bad grades had become a hindrance to the learning process. Pass/fail was a move away from the competitive nature of letter grades where individual output is compared to that of other students rather than one's own potential.

The newly revised pass/fail policy (see page 2) is an attempt to correct the deficiencies of the conflicting systems. Students will be able to determine more to their advantage which courses to take pass/fail at the end of the semester than after five days of class, as was previously the circumstance.

BECAUSE TEACHERS will never learn which courses a student chooses to elect pass/fail, the new policy eliminates the possibility that pass/fail students will experience unfavorable teacher bias. At the other extreme, neither will standards be lowered to accommodate them.

When allowed to record a good grade but "throw out" the results of a "mistake", students will more likely feel free to experiment with non-academic courses or add a fifth major. Most importantly, grades will serve more to notify students of their progress than punish them because, if passing, they can be deleted from the record.

THERE IS NO DOUBT but that the new pass/fail policy allows for even more manipulation of grade point averages than the previous system. Yet by giving students some control over the competitive aspect of grades, it serves as a compromise to make the entire system more tolerable.

#### Intrigued by Mountains

### Carl Burgener Plans Boulder, Colorado Home

by Anita Bradford

After devoting twenty-six years of his life to Niles East, Mr. Carl Burgener is retiring from teaching. A dedicated physics teacher, he began teaching at the school in 1947. His first classes included physics, freshman algebra, and photography.

THROUGH HIS interest and enthusiasm Mr. Burgener "has gained a reputation among his colleagues and students as an outstanding physics teacher," said Mr. Roth, biology teacher. "His contributed leadership to the science department has helped maintain the high moral standards and educational achievement in the science department.

One of Mr. Burgener's many contributions to Niles East includes the installation of much of the lab equipment in his department. He alone put together all of the ripple tanks, too.

"He organized the science department and chose all the science teachers when he was department head," according to Mr. Ed Degenhardt, biology teacher. "He is an excellent teacher, as well, because of his knowledge of physics and his presentation to the students."

ADMIRATION for Mr. Burgener also extends to his students. One student described him as "modest but warm, very patient and understanding." Many of his students echo those same sentiments.

Jill Aronovitz, junior, also added "he's really fabulous, he loves his subject and teaches it with enthusiasm and life. He seems to feel so excited about his subject that he makes you feel so too.

Jeff Tabor, senior, agrees. "Mr. Burgener is the best teacher I've had. He has good rapport with his students."

Adele Meyers, senior, adds, "Mr. Burgener made me aware of different things around me — not only concepts in physics but my physical environment."

CHATTING AMIABLY with Mr. Burgener one detects a serenity from within that radiates outward. Reflecting on the changes which have occurred during his stay at Niles East, Mr. Burgener conveyed a feeling of wistfulness for the trees and grass which once surrounded

He especially misses the beautiful landscaping that surrounded the old Niles East building before progress intervened in the form of new additions.

"Of course open campus is a radical change from what we've experienced in the 40's, 50's, and 60's," comments Mr. Burgener on yet another aspect of progress. He believes that the atmosphere is freer than before and that the students have become more vocal as a consequence. Basically, however, Mr. Burgener feels that students are the same in any period, "there are ne'er-do-wells and top-notchers in every class."

REFERRING TO the civil rights movement of the 60's Mr. Burgener said that "it is a good idea that sometimes we take a look at ourselves and our society.'

Another change brought about by the 60's was a revamping of the science department. New films, new lab equipment, and summer institutes made this era an extremely exciting renaissance for a science teacher and Mr. Burgener is glad he was able to experience this period.

As for a future prediction for Niles East he said, "I would hazard a guess that Niles East will become more rigid than flexible." Mr. Burgener ascribes to the 'pendulum theory" and feels that the "pendulum of liberality" has swung far and will swing back now toward a more conservative attitude.

WHAT DOES THE future hold for Mr. Burgener? A move to Colorado near the city of Boulder where a new home is being built. There Mr. Burgener hopes to pursue his photography hobby. In fact his new home will include a darkroom where he will experiment with color printing.

Why Colorado? The mountains and scenery intrigue Mr. Burgener who has vacationed there often.

IF LIFE THERE proves unexciting he said that he might consider taking a few courses at the University of Colorado which is only thirty miles from his new home.

Dr. Louis Eyerman, is sorry to see Mr. Burgener leave: "It will be a loss to the school. He was a terrific teacher because of his whole attitude and his thorough knowledge of the subject." And with a twinkle in his eye he added, "he was a top-notch guy 'cept for one thing - he won't drink beer.'

What is Mr. Burgener's response to Niles

"I've enjoyed every year at Niles East, and it's nice to look forward to a change."



Mr. Carl Burgener

Miss Irene Garrigan

Esther Kreuger Retires

### Enjoyed 'Serving' Teachers; Will Miss Co-Workers

by Leslie Miller

After eleven years of serving the students and teachers of Niles East (in the most literal sense of the word) Mrs. Esther Kreuger is retiring. Next year faculty members will miss seeing Mrs. Kreuger's friendly face behind their lunch counter in the

MRS. KREUGER SAID that when she leaves Niles East, she'll not be doing anything special—"just loafing and taking it easy for a while." Her retirement will provide Mrs. Kreuger with a great deal more spare time which she can spend with her five children, twenty grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Before coming to work at Niles East, Mrs. Kreuger worked with plants, in a greenhouse for 23 years. When she joined the lunchroom staff in 1962, she worked, at first, in the students' cafeteria, later transferring to the faculty lunchroom. She has no preference, but likes both "stations" equally well.

MRS. KREUGER ENJOYS her work. She said, "It's been really nice working here at East. I've had a lot of fun."

Perhaps the aspect of her job Mrs. Kreuger will miss most is being with here amights as a workers and the Fock form."

is being with her amiable co-workers and the East faculty, many of whom she has become well acquainted with in the past decade. Relates Mrs. Kreuger, "I've had a good time serving the teachers. We used to kid around a lot and I'll miss them all."

'Better Than Tradition Way'

### Dr. Roth Leaves to Begin 'Open Space Middle School'

by Anita Bradford and Michele Freed

Dr. Robert Roth, Director of Social Studies and Fine Arts, is

leaving Niles East at the end of this school year.

During his first year at East, 1970-71, Dr. Roth was Dean of Students. In the following school terms (1971-73) he has become Director of the social studies, art, music, and library departments.

Dr. Roth's departure from Niles East results from his acceptance of a position for principal in an "open space middle school."

LOCATED IN ST. CHARLES, Illinois, this new and unusual school will be opened by Dr. Roth this fall.

The school is open to grades six, seven, and eight but is not considered a junior high school. The uniqueness of this school lies in its individualized instruction. There is no specific schedule and the students must seek out problems to solve on their own, according to their individual interests.

Dr. Roth feels that "the appropriate role for a teacher is to facilitate student learning by giving problems to solve and letting the students do the work.

He also feels that today's "junior high school is like a minihigh school, organized the same way. This may not be the best way to organize a school. I think there's a better way to instruct students than the traditional way.

DR. ROTH ENJOYED his experience at Niles East because it afforded him the "opportunity to meet many outstanding persons in their fields.'

One of the changes he has seen at Niles East is that of open campus. He feels that most students are benefiting from this

Dr. Roth advises the students of Niles East to experience and 'try as many different courses as they can in order to find out more about themselves and where their real interests lie.

In conclusion, Dr. Roth "hopes that Niles East continues to adapt to meet the intellectual, social, and personal needs of the

To leave is to die a little; To die to what we love We leave behind a bit of ourselves Wherever we have been. Edward Haraucourt

Irene Garrigan Retires

## Volunteer Work, Travel To Keep Librarian Busy

by Anita Bradford

Miss Irene Garrigan, veteran librarian of seventeen years, will retire this year.

In a pleasant interview with Miss Garrigan, she recalled her first days when the library was located in what is now the A.V.E. room.

"I was impressed with the students and I've always felt that they were very special."

It was this impression that led her to the acceptance of the librarian position.

It was during her college years that Miss Garrigan first became acquainted with library work. Working in the University of Minnesota's library, she found enjoyment in dealing with young people, reading, and enjoyed the technological processing (cataloging).

"I WANTED TO choose a profession in which I could be of service to others.'

Why is Miss Garrigan leaving? "There are so many things I'd like to do and I feel that now's the time to do them." She would especially like to do a lot of volunteer work. Previously she has done some read-

ing into tapes for the blind. "But I hope I don't lose touch with librar- in ies. There is a lot of volunteer work available

Among her future plans — Miss Garrigan will travel to New England this fall.

She plans to reside in Evanston where she is living now, because, "I'm happy where I am. I enjoy living near the city."

She especially appreciates the proximity

of the cultural aspects of Chicago and enjoys attending concerts.

HER HOBBIES include playing bridge,

reading, and traveling. Miss Garrigan highly recommends library

work, but her advice to an aspiring librarian ne includes a preference for people and books, and a will to help others.

When asked what she will miss most from Niles East she replied, "I will miss the students, for I will not be meeting as many. I've revelled in their clever wittiness and cheerful greetings. Maybe I have helped some of them grow. I hope so.

As a final farewell to the students of Niles East, Miss Garrigan quoted Shakespeare:

"To thine ownself be true." And then she added:

"If they will only follow this, the world will be a better place to live in. Unhappiness will disappear."

'East Has Been Good to Me'

# Dr. Betts Recalls 27 Years of Teaching

by Leslie Miller

"Anybody who watches the clock shouldn't be a teacher.

Dr. John L. Betts has not watched clocks for 27 years, and as a result, he doesn't know "where all the time has gone" between his coming to East in 1946 and his retirement

In his almost three decades here, Dr. Betts has witnessed many changes. When he first joined the faculty, it consisted of only about forty teachers. The student enrollment was approximately 700, a large percentage of whom lived in Chicago and paid tuition to attend

**DR. BETTS'** impression of his earliest students is, "they seemed so much bigger . . . older. But some of them had been in the war, and I was a lot younger then, too." He also remembers a time when students, especially girls, got more dressed up to come to school, and he misses the fact that the kids "don't look as nice as they used to."

Before becoming a teacher, Dr. Betts held various other positions, including those of an ice-man, a flying cadet in the Air Force, a floorman for a large department store, and three and one half years in the Navy, overseas.

AFTER JOINING the East faculty, Dr. Betts was debate coach for sixteen years and sponsor of National Honor Society for six; he created the American History AP course, and his students score consistently higher on AP tests than other students.

Dr. Betts has not yet made any definite plans for his newly acquired time, but merely said that he will "play it by ear" for a while. He hopes to write (see Feb. 23 issue), garden, swim, bicycle ride, and do some traveling with his wife, a fifth grade teacher who also is retiring this year.

Dr. Betts holds no unpleasant memories no of the school, and upon leaving, reflects, "East has been very good to me. Very good."

### ——— ...Believe It or Not...

# Seniors Recall Highlights of Four Years

Freshman year, when I was with some of my friends, I fell down the last couple of stairs. I started swearing and my friends looked down at me as if to ask what I was doing. I looked up and saw Mr. Van Cleave and immediately thought of how long I'd get detention for. All he said was, "Keep it down to a roar, girls." Sophomore year, I had Mr. Brett for geometry. One day, Fran Lipson had new shoes on and Pat King and I asked her to see them. She turned to the side and put her feet on the book rack of the next desk. I told her that I liked her shoes and Mr. Brett walked by and said, "I like something else besides her shoes."

— KAREN MAYER

In freshman baseball when Mr. Yursky

In freshman baseball when Mr. Yursky swore at me for bringing dirty towels to a game and then apologized when he saw Debbie Novick sitting nearby.

— IRWIN SHIFFMAN
While trying to ditch out of Mr. Henrici's
class I turned into the nearest door, the

class I turned into the boy's washroom.

Carol Beth dared me to push her in the pool with her gym suit on, so I did.

— SHARON WOLFF

disgrepancy Sophomore year there was a discrepancy with my Biology teacher Mr. Apostal. The head of the department gave me his phone number and told me to call him. My girlfriend Sheri Simon dared me to call him. I did, at 10 p.m. on a Sunday night. In the middle of our conversation Sheri picked up the phone and he couldn't figure out what was going on because I had told him that I was home alone.

— RENEE GREIMAN

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Junior year on the basketball team, we
won our first game of the year. It was
at home vs. Niles North. We immediately
ran into the locker room and locker room
and prepared to celebrate. As always,
Coach Cook had the game on videotape.
The cameraman came in and we were all
nude, posing for the camera. Only later
did we find there was film in the camera.
But the good part was when we discov-But the good part was when we discovered that Mr. Cook was viewing the movies at home with his wife. They had no idea what was on the film but the game. They were very surprised to say the least!

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- STEVE GLINK



When I was sitting outside junior year

When I was sitting outside junior year waiting for the buses after school and I felt something on my leg. I stood up and out ran a little field mouse from my bell-bottom. I itched for hours!!!

— DEBRA SUE KAPLAN

Having Mitch Miller yell at me.

I was playing in the band during Relections, and I lost my contact lens after the overture, and I couldn't see the music.

— HOLLY ROBIN

When Larry Iser, Howie Pfeifer, and I got Debby Epstein completely soaked with a water bottle during "Mame."

Working with Mitch Miller and watching him down a can of Fresca, and before 300 people burping into the microphone.

— ED SCHLAEGER

I'll never forget the time Mrs. Lopez took her Spanish conversation class to La Margarita restaurant for lunch. This was

Margarita restaurant for lunch. This was to help us speak Spanish better and the waiters were hired especially for us. The waiters were also paid extra to speak Spanish. As our waiter approached the table, he asked in English, "What do you want?"

— DEBBIE SCHNEIDER

My first day of Driver's Ed. The Colonel My first day of Driver's Ed. The Colonei
was substitute teaching for Mr. Richardson. He told me to back up. I stepped
on the gas too hard and smashed into a
flicker ball pole at Niles West and knocked it on a 45° angle. We all started
laughing and drove away.

— KEN SHARE

L'll payer forget one fall when I worked

I'll never forget one fall when I worked in the textbook center. I was bored and wanted to do something evil, so I decided to sell subscriptions for the Nilehilite to unsuspecting freshmen. I got a hold of some IBM cards to make things look official. So when the freshmen came around for their books, I'd ask them if they wanted to buy a subscription for only a quarter. I made them sign the IBM card and they gave me a quarter.

— JIM ZIAH

My most memorable experience was

My most memorable experience was freshman year when a few of us naive females were sitting on the bridge and Terry Levit, the big senior that he was, exposed himself in front of us.

— LISA JEREMIAS

When I won the Brian Piccolo award for most spirit on the team senior year in football

football.

- DAVID SPIEGEL When I was a freshman I thought that the soundproof booths were really sound-proof. Joanie and I were in one and she

dared me to yell an obscenity at someone sitting outside the room. I did and to my surprise everyone turned around and stared at me, including the person I yelled about.

yelled about.

— LAURIE GREIMAN
The 65 referrals I got freshman year.
— DINA KAATZ
In my second day of behind-the-wheel
with Dr. Warner we were learning uphill
and downhill parking. Next to the bridge
by Niles West I was told to brake, but
hit the wrong pedal, the accelerator! We
crashed right into the bridge preventing
one from going over Edens Expressway
. . . Dr. Warner eventually passed me out
of the kindness of his heart.

— MINDY COMITOR

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... Dr. Warner eventually passed me out
of the kindness of his heart.

— MINDY COMITOR
The time Hillard Wyko and I were sitting
behind a row of chairs in the auditorium
studying for a history test. A lady came
up to us and thought we were doing
something else. She remarked "And you
are such nice boys too."

I have been waiting four years to relate
this experience. When I was still a naive
little freshman I had the misfortune to
misplace my wallet. Naturally I immediately and diligently reported my loss to
the office. The next week I got a mysterious call down to Mr. Puff's office. As
I entered the room Mr. Puff greeted me
with a stern face. "What kind of pills
are you poppin' kid?" he demanded. Naturally I was shocked. I was about as
straight as a pin, and pills were as far
from my mind as Mr. Puff had been.
"Well, I did have two aspirin in my wallet, but I wasn't taking any drugs," I
answered. "Well we found your wallet
with two aspirin and at least six brightly
colored pep pills. Now we've sent them to
"narcotics" to be analyzed so you might
as well confess!" I was shaking, stupefied. Suddenly it dawned on me. "Mr.
Puff," I explained very solemnly, "those
weren't pep pills you sent for analyzation. They were candy jawbreakers!" Mr.
Puff looked crimson.

— KARYN ESKEN
One of my more memorable experiences

Puff looked crimson.

— KARYN ESKEN
One of my more memorable experiences
(I've tried to forget most of them) was
the time my junior year when we had a
class level assembly that turned into a
pep rally, and when the pom-pom girls
and the band came down the aisle, I went
up the aisle and out the door.

— LINDA EMMERMAN
I won't forget the time in Public Speaking I was going to give a speech but I
couldn't because I was laughing. The
whole class started laughing because of
me and no one could do anything except
crack up for the rest of the period.

— RONDA DANIELS
We used to have a morning bus driver

we used to have a morning bus driver who would check our I.D. cards every day to see if we were on the right bus. One day a kid committed the unforgiveable sin of forgetting his card and she told him to get off the bus. He ignored her and took a seat in the back. He wouldn't get off and she wouldn't budge and so we all sat quietly on the bus until 8:30 when the bus driver decided we had all suffered enough so we could now go to school. Meanwhile the kids at the next stop stood there the entire time and it never occurred to anyone on that corner to come and see why they weren't being picked up and why the bus hadn't moved for an hour.

- ANNE WEISMAN

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The time Dave Gronski and I told the librarian that we heard some ticking behind some books and she thought it was a bomb.
When eight of us senior year said we'd pay Nick Rollick a buck each if he'd drink a half bottle of hot sauce. So he poured it on a taco and took his first bite out of it and he ran out of the cafeteria holding a napkin to his mouth.

— STEVE JONES - STEVE JONES

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My most memorable experiences at Niles
East were: getting five detentions in
three minutes from Mr. Yursky.
— STEVE HOFFMAN
Junior year when I made up a song
about Mr. Solovy and used to sing it to
him during U.S. class.
— CINDI BERNS

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One day, about a half hour before the
5:30 bus was supposed to come, Sue Uhle
accidentally hit me with a snowball aimed
at someone else. A friendly snowball fight
between four of us outside the contest
When we were dissecting a crayfish
sophomore year, we made comments on
how the shell looked like a potato chip.
Anyway, we dared Rick Angell to eat the
shell. Everyone pitched in for the bet and
he ate it.

- CHERYL GLIKSMAN The day that Steve Soler, Nancy Gerchi-kov, Bob Render, Linda Emmerman, and I went through the halls singing and marching to "Springtime for Hitler." It was phenomenal.

- PAM MARGULES





gym started. Students began coming out. Swimming, basketball, wrestling, and other organizations soon also joined and swelled our numbers until over 200 kids were in one giant snowball fight. In the end I got a well aimed snowball on the

- DAVID DAITCHMAN

Freshman year in Spanish my pen fell. Trying to be as inconspicuous as possible, I bent over to pick it up, but the desk went over with me.

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— ELAINE GLAZER
Sophomore year, I was walking down the hall approaching the double doors. As I put my hand out to open the door, I turned around to say "hi" to someone, but I still continued opening the door. Well, during the second I had turned away from the door, a very well-built guy happened to walk through the door. So, instead of putting my hand flat on the door, I put it right smack in the middle of his chest. I was so embarrassed, I wanted to melt into the floor.

— CYNDY SPILLAR
Last year I was absent from school for two weeks. My mother came to school one day to pick up my books. That day just happened to be senior prank day. Two entrances were blocked off. There were firemen and policemen all over. The seniors had planted smoke bombs throughout the school. My mother promised never to let me go back to Niles East again.

— AUDREY WEINERT

again.

— AUDREY WEINERT

My most memorable experience is when
I met my girlfriend in the library, and
also last year's senior prank when tear
gas was put in the halls and I was
taking a geometry test at the time and
couldn't finish the test because of it.

— CARL SCHUETT

My most memorable experience at Niles East was in my freshman year winning a Gold Medal National award for one of my art works. It was sent to be exhibited in New York. It was a great honor. — SHARON ESKOFF

When I went into the guidance office to get some information on sending my seventh semester transcripts to colleges and discovered I was also registered as a

and discovered I was also registered as a second semester transfer student. Freshman year when I walked into the boys' dressing room with a few other girls to help with their stage make-up and found almost every guy waiting for us in his birthday suit.

— LORI SUCHERMAN Walkout of 1969 and the Monkey Trials that followed.

that followed.

— ROBERT LETCHINGER

— Louis Eyre-— ROBERT LETCHINGER
My first encounter with Mr. Louis Eyremann. It was the middle of sophomore
year and I had just transferred into East
four days earlier. I had been constantly
late to biology because I couldn't find the
room and wanted to use my free half
period before class to find the place. The
idea of not needing a pass to be in the
halfs during class time was new to me halls during class time was new to me, so I took advantage of it and sat down in the hall.

in the hall.

Not much later, out came Mr. Eyremann and told me that I was loitering. I was now totally confused. I tried explaining that I was new in school, so he went back into his room and brought out his rulebook to prove it to me. Ever since then, whenever I loitered, or walked down the left-hand side of the stairway, my the left-hand side of the stairway, my dear friend who doesn't even know my name was there to catch me in the act. - ADELE MEYERS

The Walkout. Marat/Sade and catching double pneumonia. Directing "Reflections."

Leaving this dump.

- BRAD BENTCOVER — BRAD BENTCOVER
Sophomore year I had an English substitute who tried to get the class to write a composition by telling us that Red China had just started a nuclear war with the U.S. and that in a few minutes we would be destroyed by a nearby nuclear blast.

— GLENN LUBIN In freshman year Non-Western class with Miss Cenci, someone asked her where a

Miss Cenci, someone asked her where a certain location was on the map. With her back to the map she slowly lowered it as the class broke out in laughter. Puzzled, she looked at the map which revealed a full-length, very graphic, playboy centerfold. Miss Cenci turned several shades of red.

When I got a referral for cutting biology and told the dean I had to go home because I got — um . . . George! He said, "Oh, your menstrual cycle!!!" Planning Mame's cast party at Chances R and getting there only to find out I am

responsible for coming up with the money for forty steak burgers at \$2.65 apiece!!

— CAROL KAMEN

When Kathy Krissman and I were inside by Exit 23 and to any kid that came in, Kathy would ask to see his I.D. Most of the kids even showed theirs to her.

— DEBBI MINIKOWSKI

My first day of Behind-the-Wheel, the first time I had ever driven a car in my entire life. I had so much difficulty controlling the car that my partner was hysterical in the back seat, and the next day Mr. Slavens made me practice driving around the poles in the Lawrencewood - MICHELLE KULWIN

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My most memorable experience is getting
so excited about Mitch Miller that I made
a hurried exit right before the senior
citizen performance and threw up all over
the stage. What is unforgettable is that
Chuck Lutz had to clean it up.

— LARRY ISER

My most memorable experience is my
junior year when one of the tables in the
cafeteria fell on me and everybody stood
up and clapped, but no one would help
get the table off of my leg.

— ARLETTE SHAFTON

The day we had a birthday party for Mr.
Herbst, and the whole class put on fake
paper moustaches, just like Mr. Herbst's
handlebar. Mr. Herbst's reaction was not
as funny as Mr. Oswald's. He walked in
and started laughing so hard he almost
started crying. He ran out of the room
promising to return with a camera because he "had to get a picture of this."
After borrowing Mr. Maggio's Polaroid,
he returned with Mr. Ernst, who lined us
all up and snapped the picture. What
turned out was the funniest picture I've
ever seen. Too bad it couldn't get into the
yearbook.

—HELENE TRAPPER

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—HELENE TRAPPER
I'll never forget freshman year in NonWestern when Mr. Osness threatened to
take the clock off the wall if we put the
screen up once more. We put it up and
he pulled the clock out. He didn't get
another one until this year.

— ROBERT WOLIN
My most memorable experience, has been
my participation in the music and drama
departments. Since my sophomore year, I

my participation in the music and drama departments. Since my sophomore year, I have felt as if I've belonged to one giant family. I have to give special thanks to Mr. Jerry Proffit and Mr. Robert Anderson for all they have done for me during these past three years.

— MARK ISAACSON I'll never forget the day I rode my bike

mark isaacson

"I'll never forget the day I rode my bike
to school and took the bus home.

"JODY SCOTT

My most unforgettable experience is
when our biology class dressed a skeleton
up in a lab coat and placed him at the
teacher's desk holding the textbook. When
"good old" Mr. Herbst walked in, he sat
right down in one of the students' desks
and asked what page we were on.
When we had a substitute during freshman English and when the substitute
turned around to write something on the
board, one of my fellow classmates
climbed out of the window. He was
marked absent!

- ALYCE MINER When Cecil Harrold, "73, Rick Powers, "73, Dave Haake, "73, Adele Meyers, "73, and I switched around all of the desks and put Mr. Slattery's desk and file cabinet in the back of the room. When Mr. Clattery and the property of the state of the room. When Mr. Slattery and the state of the room. Statery came in, he repeatedly walked out and checked the room number before he realized what happened. We set the indoor desk switch-around record: one minute, 28 seconds.

minute, 28 seconds.

— ERIC NAGEL
Sophomore year I made a hockey game. The game consisted of dice, a coin, a deck of cards and other paraphernalia. One afternoon Steve Glink and I had nothing to do (in other words we were probably cutting) so we decided to go down to the cafeteria and play my hockey game. We sat down, took out the coin, dice, and cards and started playing. The next thing we knew, Mrs. Albaum had summoned Mr. Puff who declared he was taking us to Mr. Swanson for gambling. So upstairs we went to explain this lunch-room casino; followed by Cecil Harrold and Martin Borg laughing hysterically. After telling us about the ills of gambling, Mr. Swanson asked for our story. Glink and I took out the game, laid it on his desk, and started playing a game in Mr. Swanson's office. When he and Mr. Puff saw what it was, they started laughing. (Yes, it is true, Mr. Puff does laugh.)

After about five minutes of uncontrollable laughter, Mr. Swanson became interested in the game and invited Glink and me to laughter, Mr. Swanson became interested in the game and invited Glink and me to come back to his office and play the

game with him when he wasn't busy. To

this day, Glink and I still can crack-up Mr. Puff by asking him if he wants to play a little hockey with us.

— BRUCE BARRON

During Reflections in a Mirror, having to get up in front of an auditorium full of people in my pajamas for "Be Kind to Your Parents."

Your Parents."
For "Journeys of the Mind, A Reflection on Fantasy," I was ticket chairman and three weeks before the show, the tickets hadn't arrived yet. Mr. Profit tried to call the company in New York, but they had gone out of business. I had to go to Insty-Prints and get the tickets run off and sit and number by hand all the tickets with row and seat number on both ends. By the end I knew the auditorium layout by heart.

— BARB MORRISON

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It was sophomore year. I got up for school and my hair didn't look the greatest, so I decided I'd wear my mom's frosted wig. The whole day went fine until I got on the bus to go home. Peter Stearns pulled it off. The whole bus started laughing. I was sooo embarrassed.

- MAUREEN PATNER

A friend and I were urinating when interrupted by Mr. Puff, for he thought we were smoking. He asked for I.D.'s. Said I, "Excuse me, but may I zip up first." Swimming in the pool naked after they ran out of suits, Being in a pool with 35 heavy naked boxe! horny naked boys! — ROBERT RENDER

I think my most unforgettable experience I think my most unforgettable experience occurred during my sophomore year. I was in French 5-6 and doing pretty bad. Mrs. Browning announced that the next day we would be having an oral test that counted heavily on our grade. I studied that night but still didn't know the material well enough to recite it in French. So five minutes before class I suddenly came down with a case of laryngitis. Toward the end of the period she asked a question to which I knew the answer. I got so excited that I blurted out the answer correctly, the bell rang, and I ran out.

The time a student walked out of the school with a school movie projector with two lay supervisors looking on, and then returning it with no questions asked the next day.

- RON KAMMER My most memorable experience was when the Concert Choir went to sing at an old folks' home. After we had given our songs, we all went to get our coats which songs, we all went to get our coats which were piled up on a table. Everyone had put his coat on and was ready to go, but Mark Isaacson couldn't find his. But of course, one of the cute little old men had put it on and had decided to leave. Mark informed one of the supervisors and they eventually convinced the little old man that it wasn't his coat and that there was where he belonged. Boy, was that funny!

- DONALD McCUAIG



When I was in Reflections senior year I as in the next number, but I was in the

Michelle Leibold and I were in the business education department having a small chat. I sat on Mr. Malone's desk, and the next thing I saw was the desk toppling over with his papers, stapler, clock, phone, etc. The O.O. Business phone started ringing loudly and there we were trying to put everything back in its place while we both were hysterical. I went into the main office hoping that they had found my leotard. When I asked one of the women behind the counter if she had found a leotard, she replied in a Jewish grandma accent, "What honey, you lost your pants?"

— DORALEE SHANAMAN - SHARYN ZAPHIRIS

— DORALEE SHANAMAN

In my freshman year during the walkout, I decided not to participate. Of al
the days to be marked absent by mistake in homeroom was that one. It took much explaining to the school officials that I was innocent and should not be suspended.

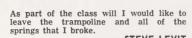
All the fire drills we had during swim-

Freshman year when I went out for foot-ball. The day of the first practice I was issued my practice uniform. It was too big, they didn't have shoulder pads in my size, and I was losing my pants and had no pads. On top of it, on the same day I thought Coach Polaski was a student and said, "Hey kid, where does the freshman team meet?" I never heard the end of that.

- ERIC ELROD



Class of '73



To Mr. Pirok: Dear Mr. Family Living Teacher who taught me all I know, I leave you my first child.

To all the librarians: I leave the book Any Woman Can, by Dr. Reuben.

— PENNY MITNICK

One 1968 Ford Fairlane hub cap that is in a certain locker in this school.

— DAVE GRONSKI

To Mr. Oswald: My rubber dissecting gloves which never really touched the frog I was supposed to dissect if I didn't want to flunk! - MINDY COMITOR

One hundred dollars to buy new paint for the almighty Niles East Cafeteria.

— RICK POWERS

The book Everything You've Always Wanted to Know About Sex and the T.V. show Family Affair to Mr. Pirok.
Twenty-five copies of Boss by Mike Royko
to Mrs. Quinn. subscription to The New Republic for

- JOSEPH CONE To Mrs. Isaacson: A class that's willing to have a discussion and not over-anxious

To Mrs. Beardsley: I leave a homeroom

full of freshmen who are eager to go get the Nilehilite.

To Mr. Sanstead: I leave a perfect behind-the-wheel student, so he can always ask them, "Now, isn't that just as easy as eatin' apple pie?" - KAREN MAYER

A black flat top hat for Mr. Provost. My yamulka. - ED SCHLAEGER

Give Mr. Henry an impossible problem that can't be solved and let him work on it for the rest of his life. - BETTY JACOBSON

I leave Dean Reiter to all the innocent people who are going to see him and get in trouble anyway.

- SHARON WOLFF A dictionary to Mr. Coulson so that he can learn how to spell.

— LISA JEREMIAS

I would like to leave paint thinner instead of thinner retard to the Art Department.

— SHARON ESKOFF A case of Budweiser to Dr. Warner.

— LORI SUCHERMAN

To Mr. Proffit: I leave a reliable ticket printing company that won't go out of business and can spell.

- BARB MORRISON

I leave my busted hand and two busted fingers to Coach Pugliese.
I leave my book How to Spend Your Coffee Break to Mr. Agnos.

— BILL OSNESS

I leave some of Mrs. Callaghan's over-flowing enthusiasm to some of the other teachers at Niles East. a Mr. Herbst AHA to his next year students.

- RENEE GREIMAN leave wind chart maps to Mr. Colton. leave all my Howling Wolf albums to

Mr. Wetzel.

I leave my Tripp with Palm and Pildes button to Doc (Sparky) Colver.

I leave the last three issues of the New Free Press in a hidden time capsule, to explode in about five years.

I leave lots love and gratitude to Hazel Loew.

Loew.
I leave — gladly.
— LINDA EMMERMAN

I leave Miss Tripp a big "Nice Gals Finish Last" prize.

— BRAD BENTCOVER

book 100 Recipes with Apple Sauce for Mr. Colton. - MARK ISAACSON

My Tripp with Palm and Pildes button to Dr. Colver. - RON KAMMER

To Counselors: efficient administrators who don't babble, but can help students instead of figuring out ways to put them in detention. - BOB RENDER

My fourth grade gymsuit, complete with the holes, to the Girls P.E. Rent Depart-

I leave my 100 ways of cutting class to those of you who are interested.

— MINDY HALPER

Mitch Miller's purse to Mr. Wintczak.
All of the "Mame" posters to Mr. Pro-- SHERI SIMON

To Mr. Apostal: I leave a copy of the book "Last of the Red Hot Lovers."
To Mr. Bloom: I leave one box of cocount patties and a copy of the "molecule jingle." - BETH TUNICK

I would like to leave my infamous, Big, and perpetually moving mouth to the entire school for eternity.

— STEVE GLINK

All my old books and papers that I did for work. The school can keep that. Otherwise I don't want to give it anything.

— JAMES DUBROW

To the library I leave the \$12.50 they charged me for a book they lost.

To Mr. Yursky I leave a typewriter with a silencer attachment.

— LENNY SOFFER

would like to leave most importantly to he school a Bahai prayer written by Abdu'l-Baha

'Abdu'l-Baha,
O God! Educate these children. These
children are the plants of Thine orchard,
the flowers of Thy meadow, the roses of
Thy garden. Let Thy rain fall upon; let
the Sun of Reality shine upon them with
Thy love. Let Thy breeze refresh them in
order that they may be trained, grow and
develor and appear in the utmost beauty develop and appear in the utmost beauty Thou art the Giver! Thou are the Compassionate!

- STEVE WIRTSHAFTER

A sign that says: "Do not disturb, Execution in Progress." to hang on the dean's door.

A sign that says: "If you must die, Please die QUIETLY!" for the library.

— MARY BERMAN

A tube of Ben-Gay to the girls gym department to administer to all the students with sore muscles after they do the warm-up exercises.

— DEBRA HANSON

To Mr. Puff: my burnt I.D. card.
To Miss Wojdula: a recording of "Chicken

- RHONDA SPORER 1 leave Mr. Roth 20 dead Grasshoppers with their femurs measured and labeled.

— HOLLY ROBIN

To Mr. Proffit: I leave the hopes and prayers of a better sound system for our auditorium.

To Mr. Provost: I leave (in good hands, of course) my bugle! To the Lay Supervisors: I leave life subscriptions to all the magazines they read

To Mrs. Steinberg: I leave 180 vocabu-- LAURA BLACK

A ten year supply of mustache wax to Mr. Herbst. An 8-foot jello mold tin to Miss Rochotte for next year's AFS party.

— ALYCE MINER

I will to this institution of education all of the knowledge still to be learned by both the educators and educatees.

I will this quote by Helen Keller to the people of Niles East — "Any teacher can take a child to the classroom, but not every teacher can make him learn. He will not work joyously unless he feels that liberty is his, whether he is busy or at rest; he must feel the flush of victory and the heart-sinking of disappointment before he takes with a will the tasks distasteful to him and resolves to dance his way bravely through a dull routine of textbooks."

— DEBRA S. KAPLAN

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To Mr. Cooper: a new gold-plated slide rule so there will be no "uncertainty" in his calculations.

To Mr. De Jonge: a class full of scholars that are eager to read A Great American

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I don't understand why there's such an awful feeling in the pit of my stomach. It feels as though someone punched me and his fist remains imbedded there. It hurts. And I feel so empty and alone

There's no reason for feeling so down. Summer's here; school's over. This time for good. We've done it now-graduated, finished this sometimes and somewhere business; gone through it all, had it all happen to us. Whether we know it or not, it's over. A new game. The outside now.

I thought I'd be so happy by now. As early as November I imagined the last day of school as a beautiful, hot sunny day. I would walk into school, say a few last goodbyes and then get out of there for good. But somehow things didn't quite turn out that

I really didn't feel like leaving.

It was then for the very first time that I realized I was a Senior. And that someday, somewhere I was going to miss this high school. And there was something wonderful in that! I was going to miss the football games, the library, even that graffitiridden student lounge. Yes, I was going to miss everybody and everything that was Niles East.

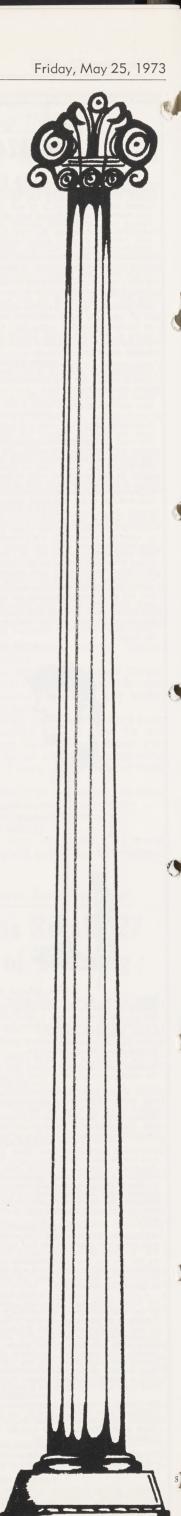
I can't help wondering where all that time went. When I look back at my sophomore year, it seems like six days ago, but when I think of all that has happened, it seems like six years. Time has a way of yielding to memory. Last year at this time I was counting the days until graduation. I have a terrible habit of doing this-wishing away things.

It's such a waste of time anticipating the future. Why are we in a hurry to "growup"? Time in her own sneaky way takes care of that. All we have to do is keep on changing in order to stay young. That's the

We are the essence of this school. We are its children—living in every way and working in every style. Being ourselves. Becoming ourselves. Getting absorbed in something or someone. We are a part of all we have met. And so we grow.

"a friend"

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the art and photography classes displayed their work.

#### Back to Chile

# Jimena Concludes 'Unforgettable Adventure'

By Ron Miller

Jimena Soya has spent the last nine months observing and experiencing life in the United States. As Easthi's AFS foreign exchange student, she has been separated by 5,000 miles and a strange language and culture from her native Chile. It has been an unforgettable adventure, even more fascinating than she had expected it to be.

EAST AND ITS STUDENTS were particularly enjoyable for Jimena. She had some difficulty mastering English (but speaks it beautifully now), yet adapted to the system easily. There were several surprises in store for her. In Chile, she had seen typical American movies depicting "typical" American youth with total freedom. Jimena came here expecting to

see teens roaming the streets all night, taking drugs like vitamin pills, and ignoring their families. That such a life is far from being typical soon became apparent to Jimena.

There are no blacks in Chile, and Jimena was not sure how she would react when meeting a black person in a country that has quite a poor reputation for its race relations. But after first-hand experience, she has developed an attitude of friendliness that perhaps all could learn to share.

Urban Americans are beginning to realize how tense and frenzied and exhausting their lives are, but never is the true nature of something seen until it is compared with something else. Jimena commented on the emptiness of the city streets during the day. Shoppers and businessmen scurry from building to building, but the sidewalks are devoid of people taking a peaceful afternoon stroll. In many other countries this is common. Americans don't have enough time to relax, it seems to Jimena.

JIMENA HAS LIVED WITH THE FAMILY of sophomore Naomi Ruben. She is grateful for the atmosphere and experiences she received there. She recalled in particular a trip to Florida. They went to a French restaurant, but the entertainment was in Spanish. Jimena had to translate.

Because of its awesome size, America contains a multitude of geographic features and people who live in them. One could not expect a visitor from another nation to get a true picture of this land by spending ten months in Skokie. Jimena will join other exchange students in a two-week bus trip which will cover much more territory. After the excursion, Jimena will return home.

She has missed her family, and is anxious to get home. Of course, she will miss the friends and family she adopted here, but hopes to return when it is possible. Her experience has changed her, she said, but she does not know exactly how yet. July is winter in Chile, and after winter vacation, Jimena will spend another half a year in high school. Her future plans include studying languages. She hopes to be a translator, perhaps for the United Nations. With the experience she received here, Jimena should be a terrific cultural ambassador.



Jimena Soya (fourth from left) joins hands with exchange students from around the world, on Niles East's International Day, April 6. Pam Margules (third from left) spent last summer in Finland, as Easthi's representative. Gary Elkins (second from right) is publicity director of AFS. (Photo by Mike Fryer)

## The Traditional Prom ...

# Or a Radical Approach?

#### By Karyn Esken

We at Niles East are far too hung up with the maintenance of tradition. The times are changing and we should at least make some attempt to change with them. I thought young people were supposed to be eager to experiment - to seek out and explore new ideas. Take prom, for example. Almost everyone is up in arms because the junior cabinet decided to deviate from the set prom pattern and institute a dinner-dance this year in place of the usual dance alone. Everybody shouts for the "old way." Nobody's willing to try anything new and exciting. I, for one, think a dinner-dance is a brilliant idea. Those who are so much against this novel variation on an old tradition should take a second look.

FIRST OF ALL, THERE'S THE SUBJECT OF THE DIN-ER. How nice it'll be to dine amidst the smiling faces of teachers, administrators, and chaperones. They'll all be there looking over your shoulder, making sure you and your date are completely happy. And to dine in the splendor and elegance of the Pick Congress Hotel! It'll be well worth the \$17 just to get a solid American hamburger. You can't go wrong with the "good old ground round" - no fancy sauces to experiment with. No wines to choose. All those queasy, indecisive moments will be neatly avoided, with your pre-packaged dinner. Why, I can even hear those young sophisticates' lively table conversations now.

"When I ordered turkey, I clearly stated that I wanted only WHITE meat. On my plate is all dark meat. Hey, Jer, wanna trade? Your white for my dark — just pass it right

down here. . .''
''Look out! You just spilled gravy all over my corsage!"
"So lick it off, baby. Any-

body for a roll? I'll throw it to you from across the table. Oh-oh! Sorry, Jan . . . I wasn't aiming for your lap . . .'

"You know, I really am surprised. Here we pay all this money, and the idiot waitress brings me a hamburger without ketchup! I WANT SOME KETCHUP!!"

I GUESS, IN A WAY, ONE COULD SAY it's reminiscent of all those bar mitzvahs we went to in seventh grade. But there's still the dance to consider. IT'S bound to be great this year. After a satisfying meal, no doubt everybody will be raring to get out on that dance

"Anybody seen Bob? I wan-na cha-cha."

"I saw him. He spilled that chocolate sauce all over his tuxedo and now he's trying to scrub it out in the john. I think it's a lost cause, though."

"Well now, Phyllis, why aren't you and Ted out there on the floor? The band's playing a nice, romantic, slow

"You see, Mr. Sachs, Ted put a lot of garlic dressing on his salad, and well, this kind of slow dance, and THAT much

YES, WELL EVEN IF THE DANCING CAUSES a few mi-

nor difficulties, there is one overpowering advantage this year. Remember that brainracking problem of where to go after prom? Remember all those hours you and your friends spent poring over Chicago Guides and Panoramas last year to find someplace for dinner and entertainment? Or staying out past three in the morning, exhausted and disheveled in some intimate nightclub overlooking the lakefront?

How about all that rushing you used to have to do in order to meet those midnight reservations for a private candlelight supper and show? Just think - this year all those after-prom-blues will be over! No hassles or plans. No worries. After spending those seventeen dollars, you won't be able to afford a show. And after that dinner you've paid for, you won't want a restaurant. Now you might need a few Alka Seltzer, but those are only 39 cents and can easily be purchased in the Pick-Congress drug store. It'll be early and everybody will be able to go home and get to sleep early, ready for a fresh start in the morning.

IT'S TWELVE O'CLOCK, and the band has gone home, and your stomach is sore, and you've nothing to do. What if nobody wants to go home to sleep? Everybody could go camping out on the beach if it doesn't rain. . . You know, with all this talk of changing tradition and conservatism, on second thought, I'll cast my vote for keeping prom the way it's always been, and then go join the Republican party.

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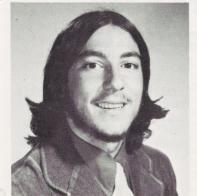
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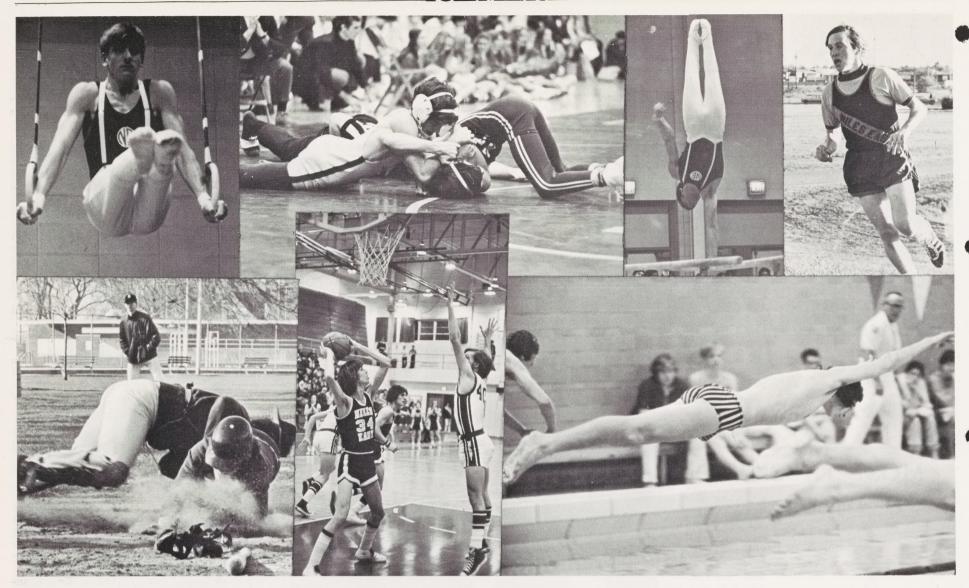
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Jeff Johnson



Paula Friedman (Pictures Courtesy of Yearbook)



A review of this year's sports teams

# Trojan Athletics in 1973

IN ITS OPENING SEASON of play, Niles East's soccer team attained an impressive win-loss record of ten wins, two losses, and one tie. With the guidance of head coach Hollister Sandstead the Trojans began the season by breezing past Highland Park 2-1 on the Giants' home field. M.V.P. Ian Main scored once as did speedster Bob Frank, who scored the game-winning point. East was able to defeat most of their opponents due to the outstanding goaltending of Bill Bro. The other members of this year's soccer team were: Mike Wolfinsohn, Rick Michell, Bob Gockenback, Phil Adelman, Mike Stone, Andy Ruttenberg, Pete Fosses, Nick Tanglis, Mike Val-

Basketball
GREATER DILIGENCE, DEFENSE, and determination
marked this year's version of
the Trojan cagers. Though
plagued by the suspension of
five key players through the
first four games, the basketball
team came up with a total of
5 victories, more than the last
3 seasons in aggregate.

enti, Jim Alexander, Gene

Freid, Mark Borofsky, Ed Jac-

obs, and Dave Mamot.

DON DIAMOND, leading scorer for the men of Troy, was

named to the all-conference team. Jeff Johnson, the only senior who stuck it out, finished with strong play, particularly on the backboards. All the juniors gained vital experience, and with the prospect of eight returning lettermen, Coach Cook should have a good team.

**Gymnastics** THE NILES EAST gymnastic team, not surprisingly, maintained a winning dual meet record throughout the year and placed among the top fifteen teams in the state. The gymnasts finished the season with the best dual meet record at East, the Trojans were 12-2 for the season. Coach Sokalski was "generally satisfied with the performance of this year's squad, although I had hoped for a higher finish in the state meet," Coach Sokalski reflected in a recent interview. Niles East only placed twelfth. However, during most of the season, East was ranked third in the state hitting consistantly in the high 120's and low 130's bracket, then setting a new record high of 140.3 points in the district meet. Leading this year's team were seniors Rick Robbin, ending up in seventh place in the state all-around competition; and Keith Kreitman, East's sole representative

in the state finals, placing eight on the still rings. Other seniors graduating this year are Steve Levitt and Howie Deutch, who led the team on trampoline; Eric Nagel, Rick Powers and Al Ross, who competed all year on side horse; and horizontal bar performers Ken Golden and Joel Sher.

Swimming

THE 1972-73 Trojan tank season will be remembered as a turning point in swimming at Niles East. "We have begun the up-turn that is pointed at becoming a state contender in approximately four years," Head coach Don Larson said. The tanksters won twice as many meets this year as compared to last season. Coach Larson hopes to double this year's total next season. Neal Gold, Rick Wil-liams, Terry Katz, and George Arbus will all graduate this year. Harry Borovik also contributed points but graduated before the close of the season.

FOR THE FIRST TIME in eight years the Niles East wrestling team has finished its' season with a winning dual meet record on all four levels. Dave Haaki, Mike Ament, Rick Angell, Harold Frolkis, Steve Hoffman, Bruce Kammier, Arnold Shapiro, Jeff Sonderman,

and Kip Weissman will all be lost through graduation this year. Head coach Fred Richardi feels that these nine seniors have been responsible for a change of students attitudes toward the positive side regarding the wrestling program.

Track THE TREMENDOUS SUC-CESS of hurdler Dave Gronski and runner Steve Sussman were the highlights of a long track season that saw some improvement, but much frustration. Head Coach Jim Huskey brought to Niles East a type of team pride and spirit that many trackmen were unable to share; many quit. But there remain many bright young stars who could lead the Trojans to State honors in the coming years, including Sal Parenti, Badry Rubin, Mark Lichtenstein, Mark Scherfling, and Larry Bower. Tennis

THE TENNIS TEAM completed the 1973 season with a 6-5 record in the CSL and an 8-6 record overall. Peter Stearns, who will graduate after this season, finished the year with a phenomenal 20-2 record at the number one singles position. Stearns, who is a four year letterman, led the Trojans to an eventual tie with Evanston for the team championship in the

districts at Niles West. Stearns captured the district singles competition by defeating Dan Moore of Evanston in straight sets, 6-4, 7-5. Niles East will also send Gene Guerrero and Jim Cohn downstate as a doubles team.

Baseball THE NILES EAST BASE BALL TEAM finished their season with a respectable 5-5 record. The Trojans had hoped fod a higher league record at the beginning of the season. There have been, however, some bright spots in senior Craig Ricci and junior Ron Klenschmidt, both players were top ranked pitchers throughout the season in the CSL. The highlight of the year had to be when East defeated Niles North in the state district meet. The Trojans were helped in their effort due to a tight infield, instrumental in holding the Vikings to only one run, while beating North 2 runs to 1. The infield consisted of Dave Hackman at first base, Scott Harrison at second, Mike Tincher, shortstop, and Kurt Kiesel playing at third. Bob Frank, Cecil Harold, and Ed Calvo have made for a strong combination in the outfield while junior Rich Rubin has been a standout player.

### Johnson: Athlete of Year

One way to judge an athlete's ability is to get the opinion of his coach. That is exactly what the Nilehilite sports staff did in a recent poll sent to all the head coaches of the '72-'73 season to find out who was the best athlete of the year. Each coach was allowed to vote for one athlete in each sport other than his own sport. Each vote counted as one point toward the naming of an athlete of the year. On the bottom of the ballot the coaches

were to write in the athlete they thought most outstanding during the '72-'73 season. This vote counted as five points.

Senior Jeff Johnson, varsity basketball, baseball, and football player, received 22 points to capture the title of "Athlete of the Year". Senior Steve Sussman, who participated in varsity track and cross-country, places second to Johnson totaling 15 points. Individual winners in each sport were as follows:

Baseball: Craig Ricci
Golf: Andy Ruttenberg
Tennis: Pete Stearns
Football (tie): John Hasmonek

Track: Dave Gronski
Cross-Country: Steve Sussman
Soccer: Ian Main

Jeff Johnson

Basketball Jeff Johnson
Swimming: Andy Ruttenberg
Fencing: Bill Osness
Wrestling: Rick Angell

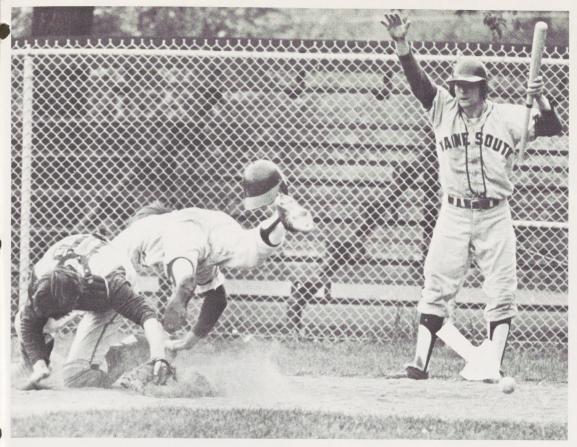
Gymnastics: Rick Robbin
GAA (tie): Paula Friedman
Sherrie Friedman
Intramurals: Bruce Braverman

# Weightlifters Seek To Gain Recognition

The Niles East weightlifting team has been trying this year to gain recognition from students. So far this effort has been futile, probably because weightlifting is not considered a major sport by the Illinois High School Association (IH-SA). This limits anyone interested in weightlifting to the amount of competition available. Nevertheless, the Trojan weightlifting squad, recently competing in three area meets,

came up with a crop of first and second places.

IN THEIR OWN INVITATIONAL, the Trojans had two
individual champions. Senior
Eric Nagel captured the 132
pound weight class division
while junior Bob Sommerman
won the 165 pound competition. Trojan Bruce Chancellor
finished second behind Sommerman in that weight class division. In the Thornton South Invitational Nagel placed first.



Safe or Out? The arrow tells the story. (Photo by Mike Fryer)

# Trojans Capture Districts!

By Dave Garlick

The Niles East Trojans took the first step to a trip to Peoria on Monday, May 13, with a 2-1 victory over Niles North in the district championship game, played at Oakton Park.

THE TROJANS earned the right to play in the championship game with a solid 6-1 win over Quigley North in the opening round of tournament play. Craig Ricci, on the mound for the Trojans, had a no-hitter for the first 4-1/3 innings, before Quigley finally blooped a base hit just in front of left-fielder Ed Calvo. It was the only hit that Quigley got all day.

However, two errors and a passed ball put Quigley in front in the third inning, 1-0. But the Trojans came back with a 3-run fourth inning, aided by key hits from Bob Frank, Ron Kleinschmidt, and a clutch bunt from Kurt Kiesel. The Trojans eased into the victory after that.

**DESPITE ONLY** two hits both by Dave Hackman: a ount single and a catcher's inerference) in the championship game against North, the Trojans hustled out an impressive -1 win over the Vikings. The Trojans missed a scoring opporunity in the very first inning vhen Viking pitcher Larry Roin filled up the bases with walks. Despite the hurler's wildness, the Trojans couldn't push run across. Later, however, Rosin's wildness was an imporant factor in the outcome of he game.

It started in the Trojan half of the third when Bobby Frank ed off with a walk. Although East had not got a hit yet, Rosin was lifted. North not vanting to take any chances on valks, replaced him with star itcher John Barnfield. Barnield found the strike zone in he final four innings of work, out had to rely heavily on a urve ball. He had pitched ight innings in North's 2-1 vicory over Evanston, and the ne day of rest was not enough for him to be real strong.

Mike Tincher was the first batter to face Barnfield, and he laid down a successful sacrifice bunt to move Frank to second. Dave Hackman sent Frank to third with East's first hit, a catcher's interference. Frank then broke for the plate on the first pitch to Kurt Kiesel, and Kiesel laid down a perfect suicide squeeze, to net the first run of the ball game.

Meanwhile, Ron Kleinschmidt was pitching excellent ball for the Trojans. No runner reached first base until John Barnfield singled for North with one out in the fifth inning. Herbie Schwartz followed with a single and when the shortstop Bobrow followed with a walk, trouble was brewing. But Kleinschmidt bore down and struck out the next hitter, and got the side out with a tap to third.

North got back into the ball game in the top of the sixth. and only clutch pitching by Kleinschmidt kept the Trojans from an early dismissal from state competition. Leadoff man Paul Blackey hit a high infield pop-up on the first pitch in the inning, but the East infielders got their signals crossed up, and the ball fell in, and suddenly, North had a man on second base. As quickly as he got there, he came in, as Kruse and Curt Johnson put back to back singles in the books, and North had runners on first and third; things looked dark indeed for the Trojans.

But that was all North was to get the rest of the ball game. And again the Trojan moundsman came out the hero, by striking out the next two batters, and getting the third on a tap to third baseman Craig Ricci. Later, Coach Odlivak called it, "the greatest job of clutch pitching I've ever seen."

Aroused by their pitcher's performance, East put the ball game away in the bottom of the sixth. Jeff Johnson led off the inning by striking out, but when the third strike got away from the North catcher, Johnson raced to first. Next, pinch hitter Ed Calvo lined a ground ball to the third baseman. But the gloom of a possible double play turned to glee when the Viking third baseman threw the ball into right field. Now, instead of having two out and no one on, there were two on and no outs. The winning run came

in a few seconds later on East's second successful suicide squeeze. With Johnson coming, Bobby Frank laid the ball down in front of the plate. Pitcher Barnfield had a chance at Johnson at the plate, but in his hurried effort to pick up the ball, he fumbled it, and everyone was safe.

Kleinschmidt added the coup de grace in the top of the seventh when he struck out the side to touch off one of the wildest celebrations in the history of Niles East athletics.

**TEAM NOTES:** East holds a rather mediocre 5-5 league record, but all eyes are on state. Following his brilliant win over North, Ron Kleinschmidt had a conversation with a scout from the Houston Astros.

State Meet Today

# Netters Seem Strong

Showing as one of the strongest teams the school has had in six years, since the days of Mark Bishop, the Niles East Tennis team has tackled powerful teams this year, putting themselves in a virtual tie for third, with only three points separating the first and third place teams in the CSL.

THE TRADITIONAL Niles West Quadrangular, which determines the best team in the Niles Township school system, was rained out this year, so the results were determined by the dual meets. Against West, the Trojans played tough, but lost a squeaker 3-2. Pete Stearns continued his winning ways, deafeating Paul Mishkin 6-0, 6-3. Two new doubles combinations were tried and both were unsuccessful. Jim Cohn and Scott Skaletsky played at second doubles, and lost in a close three-set match. Gene Guerrero and Steve Pales played at first doubles, but they lost in their debut together. Dennis Kaplan, returning to the team after an extended absence, played well against Scott Bernstein, but lost in three sets. The highlight of the mach was Dale Plotkin's three-set victory over his tough opponent, Steve Rosenberg. Dale lost the first set and came back to take the next two.

The dual meet against Maine East went as it should with the Trojans victorious 4-1. Stearns won easily as he has all year. Kaplan and Cohn in a new doubles combination won 6-2, 6-1. Dale Plotkin played tough, but he lost in a rough match. Pales and Guerrero who when together have played well, showed their form in an easy two-setter. In the longest match of the day, Skaletsky won a three-set match to end the meet.

THE FIRST really tough meet of the year was on May 3, against Deerfield which has one of the strongest line-ups in the state. The netmen were outclassed at almost all the positions except at first singles. Stearns, playing possibly his best tennis to date, salvaged a victory against his excellent opponent, Dan Neller. Pete won in three sets, overcoming a one set deficit, established himself as a prime contender for the state title.

The LaGrange Invitational is an annual event, which Niles East was fortunate enough to be invited to. The big standouts at the meets were Stearns and Kaplan. In this invitational, an eight game set is used to facilitate speedier matches, since there are so many teams. Kaplan, playing fine tennis, took a second, losing to Deerfield's Robby White, 5-3. Pete Stearns stole the show by winning the invite at first singles, defeating Harrison Bowes, another excellent Deerfield player. This was the first time in several years a Trojan tennis player has captured an invitational title.

WITH RECENT losses team morale was lowered, but against Niles North, the team pulled itself together and beat the Vikes 3-2. Stearns defeated Shep Gould, 6-4, 7-5, in a long match, which saw Pete frustrate his opponent. Both doubles teams, warming up for districts, were changed. Cohn and Guerrero were put back at one, and Plotkin and Pales were placed at two. Both were victorious by the same scores, 6-4, 6-4.

THAT NEXT day was the highlight of the season. The state districts began, and in recent years this meant Niles East barely gaining some points. This year was to be different. Niles East won the district crown, with Pete Stearns winning the singles and the team of Cohn and Guerrero taking second. However, the team of Plotkin and Pales, and Kaplan at singles gave the team the needed points. Plotkin and Pales won two key doubles matches, and Dennis Kaplan won a singles match to provide the point total. Three members of the team, Stearns, Cohn and Guerrero are headed for the state finals at Arlington Heights, today and tomorrow. The big question the Trojans face now: can the speedy little five-foot Peter Stearns bring Niles East a state champion?

# Track Season Finally Over; Gronski, Sussman in Finals

By Ron Miller

What more can be said about Steve Sussman and Dave Gronski? In a confusing year that saw a large portion of the track team quit, these two per-formers carried the Niles East banner high, and proudly. Sussman was named the winner of the coveted Al Beck award. Both athletes qualified for the state finals in Champaign In the qualifying meet May 19, each shattered his previous record. Sussman ran the 2-mile run in 9:40.6. Gronski ran the low hurdles in 20.1 seconds, and the high in 14.6. Amazing.

COACH HUSKEY'S log book of the season shows a stack of new records. The freshmen and sophomores could burn up all the marks that this year's varsity worked so diligently to establish. Sal Parenti was hurdling stronger than ever as the season neared its end. Joel Sher, Joe Colucci, Larry Bower, Dave Greenberg, Al Lebovitz, Mark Lichtenstein, Neil Schreiber, Wally McCormack and Richard Cope are other freshmen with bright futures. Outstanding sophomores are Barry Rubin, Mark Scherfling, Fred Rosenthal, Barry Hartman and Bob Schuett. Returning lettermen include Mike Wolfinsohn, Bob

Somerman, Len Weinstein, Ross Pollack, Rick Berlow, Monty Matlock, Glenn Davidson, Terry Lee, and Richard Belucci. Tom Kropf and Bruce Mandel ended their four-year track careers this month.

Assisting the team during the year were managers Sheldon

Glassner, Penny Wagner, Debbie Feldman, Rosalyn Barsky and Linda Pastron.

Now the underclassmen look forward to next year. With a year's experience, maybe Mr. Huskey and the athletes will find a little more success.

Good luck, Steve and Dave!



Mark Lichtenstein leads the Trojans to victory in a recent froshsoph meet. Barry Hartman and Larry Bower try to edge out another runner. (Photo by Mr. Tom Ristow)

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