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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 Lillian, 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. Hottel, 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 Lillian, 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.

Ceremonies End for Seniors

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

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 Helgott, Omar Hernandez, Andrea Jacobson, Leo Kelly, Ruth Landsman, Bradley Lerman, Jan Levin, Jeffery Lillian, 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 Zimble.

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 Lillian, 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 Lillian, 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 Taber, David Tresley, Diana Waller, Jon Wasserman, Jane Weinstein, Karen Werner, Janice Winer, Michael Winter, Steven Wirtshafter, Ferne Wolf, Karen Wrzepski, Norman Yoshimura, and James Robert Ziah.

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."

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

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 overwhelmingly 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 style.

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 Nilehilit Senior Survey will be recognized, including the Best Couple, the most talented boy, and the best girl conversationalist.

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 properly — through discussion and expression of ideas, rather than catcalls.

—Warren Silver '75

tribution of literature in the 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.

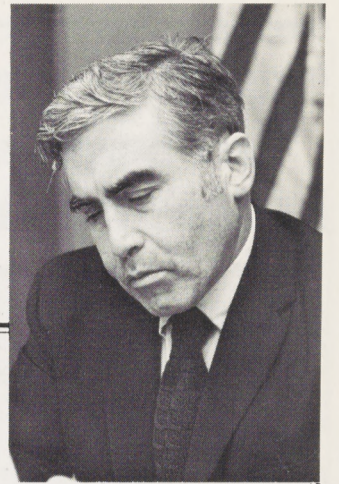
Working closely together on a show builds more solidified relationships than "Hi, how are you?" acquaintances so common today. The teamwork involved in putting a show on stage far exceeds that required to win a sports contest.

Working with Mr. Jerry Profit, 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 a 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 Watching

By Rob Feder

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 year.

—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 labeled "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.

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-

Editors Express Farewell Thoughts

As co-editor of the Nilehilit, 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 newspaper.

IN RECENT YEARS the Nilehilit 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 school.

The Nilehilit 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 co-editor 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 award-winning 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

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.

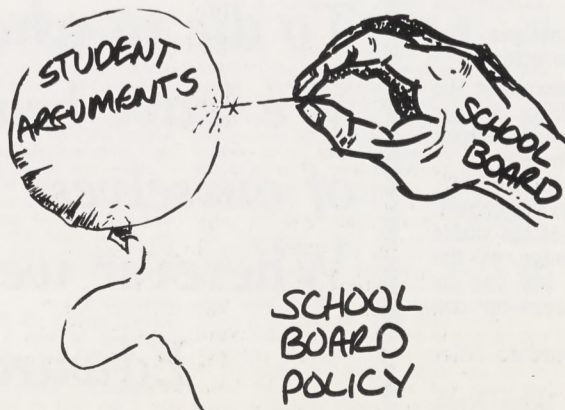
ADOPTION OF THE pass/fail system was an admission of fault in the grading structure—the fear of bad grades had become a hindrance to the learning process. Pass/fail was a move away from the competitive nature of letter grades where individual output is compared to that of other students rather than one's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



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*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 Skokie.

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.

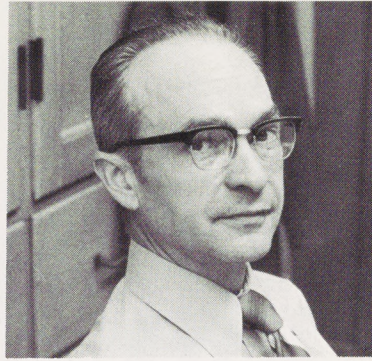
Why Colorado? The mountains and scenery intrigue Mr. Burgener who has vacationed there often.

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 East?

"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 teachers' cafeteria.

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 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 mini-high 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 experience.

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 students."

*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 reading into tapes for the blind.

"But I hope I don't lose touch with libraries. There is a lot of volunteer work available there also."

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 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 this year.

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 East.

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 of the school, and upon leaving, reflects, "East has been very good to me. Very good."

Last Will and Testament

Class of '73

As part of the class will I would like to leave the trampoline and all of the springs that I broke.
— STEVE LEVIT

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. A subscription to *The New Republic* for Dr. Betts.
— JOSEPH CONE

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

To Mrs. Beardsley: I leave a homeroom full of freshmen who are eager to go get the Nilelite.

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 overflowing enthusiasm to some of the other teachers at Niles East. I leave a Mr. Herbst AHA to his next year students.
— RENEE GREIMAN

I leave wind chart maps to Mr. Colton. I 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. I leave — gladly.
— LINDA EMMERMAN

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

The 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 gym suit, complete with the holes, to the Girls P.E. Rent Department.
— CINDI BERNS

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. Provost.
— SHERI SIMON

To Mr. Apostol: I leave a copy of the book "Last of the Red Hot Lovers."

To Mr. Bloom: I leave one box of coconut 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

I would like to leave most importantly to the school a Bahai prayer written by '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 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 Fat."
— RHONDA SPORER

I 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 this year.

To Mrs. Steinberg: I leave 180 vocabulary words.
— 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

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

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

To Mr. Da Rosa: an extra bottle of patience — to be taken daily before third year and fourth year honors classes.
— ELYSE WILLERMAN

To the Librarians: a cassette tape that says "Sh-h-h, I'm sorry, you'll have to leave the library."
— BARBARA SOLAN

To the future cross-country and track teams: I leave one bronze shoelace from my track shoes.
— CHUCK LUTZ

A bull whip to each librarian.
— JON MIGDOW

All Mr. Da Rosa's stories to whoever can sit still long enough to listen to them.
— JACKIE OPPENHEIM

Loads of luck and the greatest newspaper ever to next year's Nilelite staff and Mrs. Scherb. A class full of "cute" girls with dimples to Mr. Agnos. My sister Donna for Mr. Anderson to call Michelle.
— MICHELLE KULWIN

My dissected cat's hepatic portal system to Mr. Degenhardt.
— CHERYL GLIKSMAN

I leave the art department a pair of scissors, hoping they will some day find them.
— LYNN IRVING

I leave good wishes for everything, hoping you have as much fun here as I have — God Bless.
— FRANCI KELLER

To Mr. DeJonge: all I can leave is a thank-you.
— JUDY MUNN

I, Ronda Lee Daniels, being of sound mind, do hereby bequeath to Niles East: a recipe for hamburgers, a new xylophone, and hot pink computer cards.

To Dr. Colver: all my spirit and smiles. **To Ms. Sanborn:** the Power of Positive Thinking, a lunch, and Love.

To Mrs. Quinn: a conversation with Otto and other impeccables, an invitation to my inauguration and a big thank-you for everything.
— RONDA DANIELS

To "Aunt Bea": A year's supply of Lysol.
— BARB JACOBS

Three thousand signs saying "NO LOITERING" to Mr. Eyemann.
— ADELE MEYERS

To Mr. Welch's chemistry classes: original tape recordings of Mr. Welch's Top Ten True Life Stories.
— HELENE TRAPPER

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 good-byes and then get out of there for good. But somehow things didn't quite turn out that way.

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 graffiti-

ridden student lounge. Yes, I was going to miss everybody and everything that was Niles East.

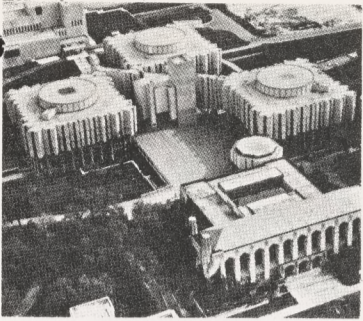
I can't help wondering where all that time went. When I look back at my sophomore year, it seems like six days ago, but when I think of all that has happened, it seems like six years. Time has a way of yielding to memory. Last year at this time I was counting the days until graduation. I have a terrible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

It's such a waste of time anticipating the future. Why are we in a hurry to "grow-up"? 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 secret!

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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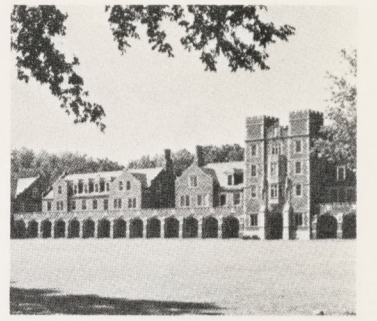
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Back to Chile

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 DINNER. 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. Anybody 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 floor.

"Anybody seen Bob? I wanna 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 song."

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

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

nor difficulties, there is one overpowering advantage this year. Remember that brain-racking 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.

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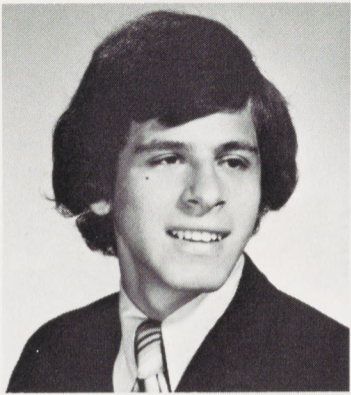
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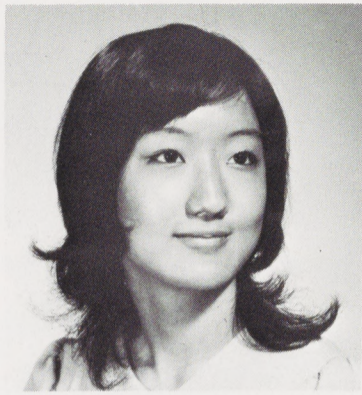
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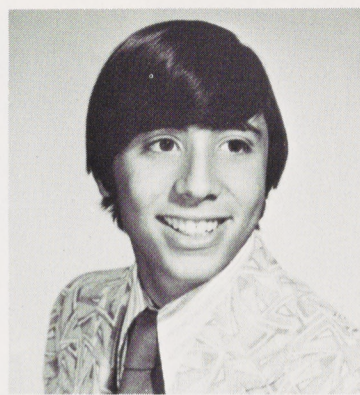


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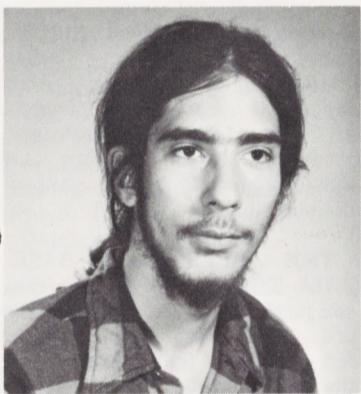


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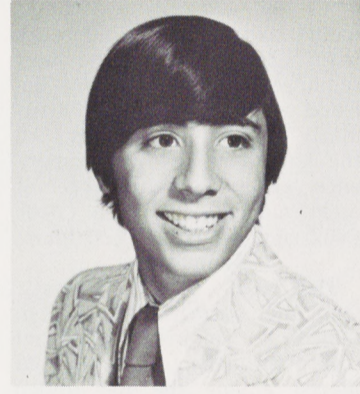


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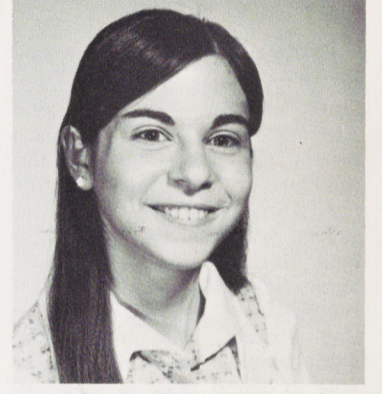
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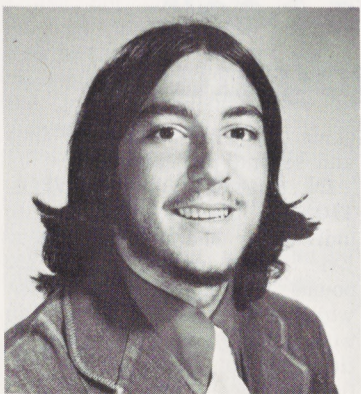


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A review of this year's sports teams

Trojan Athletics in 1973

Soccer

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 Wolfsohn, Rick Michell, Bob Gockenback, Phil Adelman, Mike Stone, Andy Ruttenberg, Pete Fosses, Nick Tanglis, Mike Valenti, Jim Alexander, Gene Freid, Mark Borofsky, Ed Jacobs, and Dave Mamot.

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.

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 consistently 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 Williams, Terry Katz, and George Arbus will all graduate this year. Harry Borovik also contributed points but graduated before the close of the season.

Wrestling

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 SUCCESS 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 BASEBALL TEAM finished their season with a respectable 5-5 record. The Trojans had hoped for 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 Nilehilitite 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:

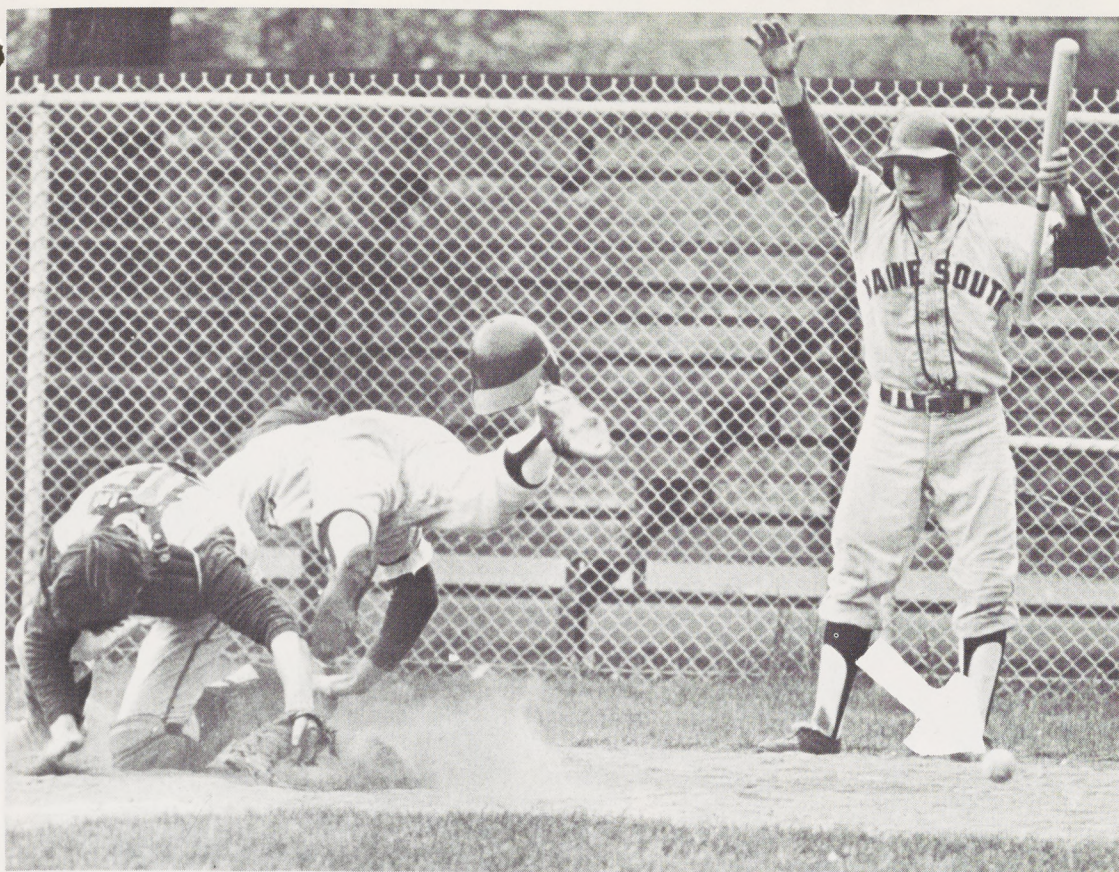
Baseball: Craig Ricci
Golf: Andy Ruttenberg
Tennis: Pete Stearns
Football (tie): John Hasmonek
 Jeff Johnson
Track: Dave Gronski
Cross-Country: Steve Sussman
Soccer: Ian Main
Basketball: Jeff Johnson
Swimming: Andy Ruttenberg
Fencing: Bill Osness
Wrestling: Rick Angell
Gymnastics: Rick Robbin
GAA (tie): 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 (IHSA). 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)

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, defeating 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 match 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?

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 bunt single and a catcher's interference) in the championship game against North, the Trojans hustled out an impressive 2-1 win over the Vikings. The Trojans missed a scoring opportunity in the very first inning when Viking pitcher Larry Rosin filled up the bases with walks. Despite the hurler's wildness, the Trojans couldn't push a run across. Later, however, Rosin's wildness was an important factor in the outcome of the game.

It started in the Trojan half of the third when Bobby Frank led off with a walk. Although East had not got a hit yet, Rosin was lifted. North not wanting to take any chances on walks, replaced him with star pitcher John Barnfield. Barnfield found the strike zone in the final four innings of work, but had to rely heavily on a curve ball. He had pitched eight innings in North's 2-1 victory over Evanston, and the one day of rest was not enough for him to be real strong.

Mike Tincer 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 moundman 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 Odilivak 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.

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 performers 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 Wolfsohn, Bob

Someran, 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

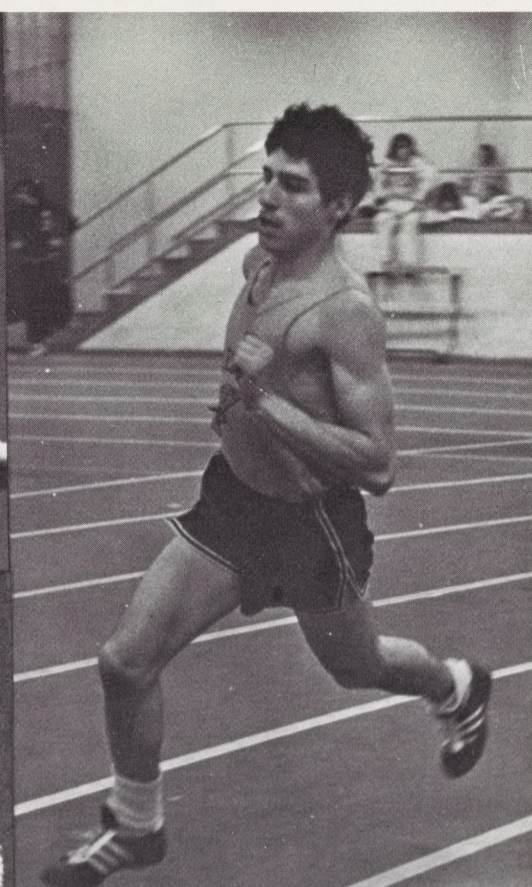
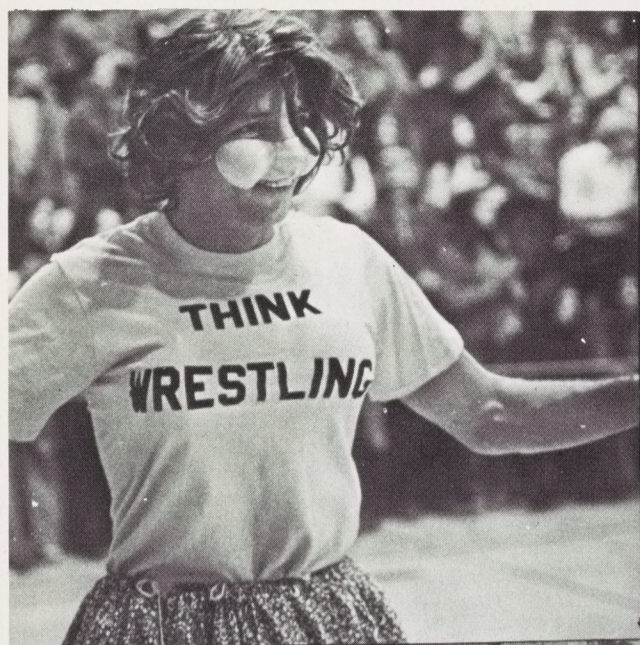
Glassner, Penny Wagner, Debbie Feldman, Rosalyn Barsky and Linda Pastron.

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 frosh-soph meet. Barry Hartman and Larry Bower try to edge out another runner. (Photo by Mr. Tom Ristow)



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