

# Salem Witch Hunt Relived

The year is 1692 in Salem, Massachusetts. A group of young girls, attempting to escape punishment for dancing in the woods, pretend to be possessed by the Devil. They accuse respected members of the village of consorting with Satan and watch horrified as their once small lies build and build to arouse the entire town and send 19 men and women to the gallows.

THESE EVENTS ARE convincingly performed by the Niles East Drama department in its moving presentation of Arthur Miller's "The Crucible," tonight and tomorrow night, January 19 and 20 at 8 p.m. in the auditorium. Tickets, which are presently on sale in the school cafeteria, or available at the door, are priced at \$1.50, with no reserved seats.

"The Crucible" is directed by Mr. Jerry Proffitt and student director Lori Sucherman, '73, who agree that it is a superb drama.

THE CAST INCLUDES twenty students. Stew Figa, Mark Isaacson, and Daniel Rappoport portray innocent farmers caught in the unrelenting search for witchcraft through the mischief of the children — Jill Aronovitz, Glenna Hecht, Sheri Lee and Susan Shelley — led by Penny Mitnick whose private interests

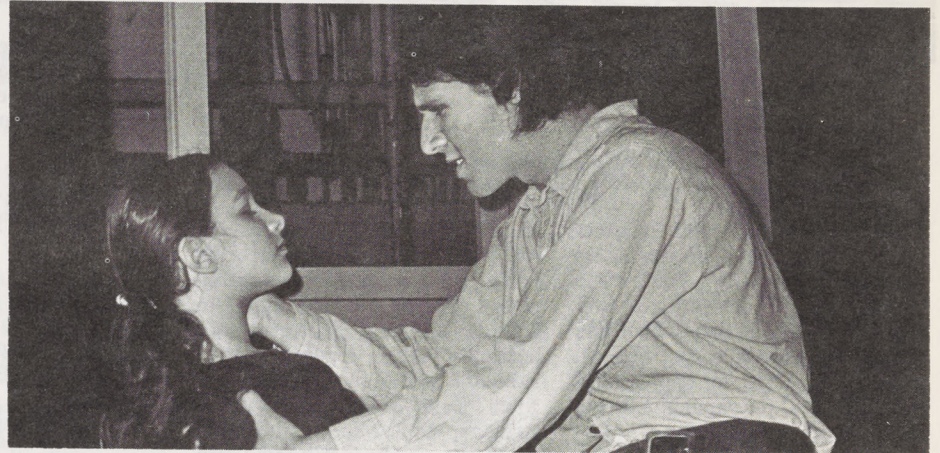
include one of the younger farmers. The farmers' wives — Karyn Esken, Cheryl Politzer, and Lori Simon cannot be pure enough in the eyes of the court presided over by judges Jeff Langer and Don Millard. Bradley Bentcover plays the visiting minister and local authority on witchcraft who arouses lawmen David Cole and Chuck Lutz to form a "proper court" with the aid of farmers Noah Gilson and Robert Klein. Debbie Wagner portrays the slave who is brought to confession of working with the Devil though she only tried to cast a spell at the children's insistence. Another confessed witch, soon to be hung, is played by Leslie Suslick.

THE CAST AND CREWS have been working since late November to prepare for the production. Imaginative sets, which add to the mysterious atmosphere of the show, were designed by Mr. Frank Mayfield, stage manager, and constructed and painted under the direction of crew chairmen Scott Chan, Nancy Hirsh, and Debbie Epstein.

The costumes, both rented and hand sewn, were handled by chairman Elysa Blacker, and makeup was directed by Robin Bezark and Laura Black, co-chairmen. Other crew chairmen include Irvin Shapiro, lighting; Jim Van der Kloot, sound; Mella Minberg, props; Jeff Langer, publicity; Robin Abeles, tickets; Michele Soltan, programs; and Judy Hoffman, house manager.



Debbie Wagner, '75, confesses to witchcraft as citizens of Salem look on.



Brad Bentcover, '73, as the visiting minister, attempts to awaken Susan Shelley, '76.

## Cabinet News

### 'Bring Back the Fifties' Dance Remembers Past

While this generation was playing in the sandbox and humming the Mouseketeers theme song, high schoolers of the Fifties were swinging to the beat of Elvis and the rest.

Senior Cabinet looks to return to those days as they sponsor a "Bring Back the Fifties" dance on Saturday, January 27, at 8 p.m. in the student lounge.

Everyone is encouraged to dress for the times — don't forget the bobby socks. However, this is not an absolute necessity.

Several groups will furnish the entertainment in place of an old juke box blaring out the latest hits. Music of both the past and present will be performed.

Refreshments, including sodas, will be served. There is a \$1 donation for the senior class gift. Tickets are available from individual members of senior cabinet now. They will go on sale in the cafeteria on January 22.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Friday and Saturday, Jan. 19 & 20  
The Crucible  
Niles East Auditorium, 8 p.m.
- Monday, January 22  
Board of Education Meeting  
7700 Gross Point Road, 8 p.m.
- Saturday, January 27  
"Bring Back the Fifties" dance  
Niles E. Student Lounge, 8 p.m.
- Saturday, February 3  
Rock Concert —  
R.E.O. Speedwagon  
Niles East Contest Gym  
Doors open 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, February 28  
Mitch Miller Concert  
Niles East Auditorium, 8 p.m.

### Early Grads Near Finish

Sixty-three students are among the seven semester graduates this year. Eleven of these students were permitted to end school on December 22, 1972, while the remaining fifty-two will graduate on January 26. Fourteen more students than in 1972 were early graduates this year.

The early grads include Randy Abeles, Robin Abeles, Lori Allan, Judy Bawer, Randal Blair, Randi Blue, Harry Borovik, Leslie Campbell, Janet Colanis, Joseph Cone, Bonnie Crane, Alice Diamond, Fern Duberchin, Lisa Favish, Marilyn Floss, Hallie Friedman, Francine Geman, Marc Goldstein, Silvia Gottlieb, Glenn Gross, Robin Gzesh, David Hirsch, Cindy Hohmann, Howard Kite, Sherry Kolpas, Sina Madnick, Judy Maedge, Tina Maslowski, Barbara L. Meyer, Barbara M. Meyer, Michael Mrowka, Linda Myroite, Lori Netznik, Terese Noesen, Nancy Oken, Murray Perlin, Regina Petroski, Earl Roseman, Mark Romaneck, Steven Romanoff, Ellen Rosner, Ronald Rubin, Elizabeth Samuels, Linda Savitt, Diane Schrier, Karen Sills, Jay Simon, Diane Soderberg, Steven Soler, Debra Spitzer, Lynne Stiefel, Nino Strickling, Laurel Vaughan, Jaime Velez, Richard Wahlgren, Thomas Wasserberg, Debbie Weiner, Jane Weinstein, Debra Weisbach, Barbara Weiss, Audrey Wells, Ted Wisniewski, E. William Witt.



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## Student Legislature and Cabinets Reviewed

A complete re-evaluation of Niles East student government — both social and legislative — is currently underway.

Five meetings have been held since November 16. In attendance at these sessions have been Dr. Colver, Dr. Robert Roth, the presidents of the four class cabinets and their faculty advisers, the president of the Student Legislature and several others.

### Review Aims and Goals

These meetings were originally called at the request of Dr. Colver, to review the aims and goals of the four cabinets, but have subsequently turned to the whole area of student government affairs.

As sponsors of social activities, the cabinets were asked to prepare summaries of their structure and proposed activities.

From those reports, two basic problems surfaced. The feelings in all four cabinets were that they are discouraged to plan big activities due to the administrative red tape they frequently incur.

### Increase Cooperation

In addition, the cabinet presidents expressed a desire for increased cooperation with each other in planning and

publicizing events. They felt communication and rapport among the four classes were critical to successful promotions.

Discussion among these school leaders eventually centered around the effectiveness of student government in general.

Apathy, the same enemy which killed Student Legislature this year, threatens the survival of cabinets.

### New Arrangement Needed

In a search for possible alternatives to the present structure, the committee investigated and is considering the form of government at sister school Niles West. This plan calls for a "Student-Faculty-Administration Assembly" with the purpose of dealing with all matters of school policy. Reportedly, this concept has met with considerable success.

But before this, or any plan could be put into effect, it would first have to be approved by a majority of the student body. Such a vote would likely take place in spring.

Members of this group expressed a desire to learn what suggestions other students would have to alleviate the problems faced by the cabinets and

Legislature. Dr. Colver has asked that any written comments be directed to his office.

The group, which reconvenes Monday, will carefully consider every alternative presented to it.

## Right of Challenge Approved by Board

In a relatively tranquil meeting, the Niles Township Board of Education approved the "right of challenge" provision of the student files policy at its January 8 session.

With the passage of this final portion of files policy, the Board ended a long and controversial effort to open student records and provide a method whereby a student could challenge the validity of material contained therein.

IN OTHER BUSINESS, the Board approved installation of a guidance information storage system known as "Interactive Learning Systems." The ILS will allow Nilehi students access to numerous information concerning colleges and universities, including size, majors available, atmosphere of the school, and sources of financial aid. The computer also carries data on the education, skills, and aptitude required for various occupations.

THE BOARD ALSO approved salary hikes for substitute teachers who fill in for the same teacher over an extended period of time. After ten days of continuous service, they will be paid an additional \$5 per day. After working 20 continuous days, they will earn \$10 over the regular pay.

Board member Shirley Garland requested a future discussion on the religious nature of Nilehi's Winter Festivals, responding to an article in the Skokie News by Niles East student Robert Feder, '74.

THE RESIGNATION of Easthi English teacher Roberta Friedman was accepted and her post was then filled by Mrs. Patricia Handzel, formerly a Niles Township substitute teacher.

The Board will reconvene this Monday, January 22, at 7700 Gross Point Road, at 8 p.m.

## REO Speedwagon, Styx Here

Rock both hard and funky will be brought to Niles East Saturday, February 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the contest gym, when R.E.O. Speedwagon, one of the country's top rock bands, will appear in concert. Performing with R.E.O. Speedwagon will be two other groups, Styx and Kracker.

R.E.O. Speedwagon, formerly a backup group for Edgar Winter, got its start in Champaign. The group is acclaimed by the music industry as one of the tightest bands around.

A locally based group, predominately from the South Side, Styx plays its music loud and rocky. Its first album, "Styx," under the Wooden Nickel label, has had big F.M. air play, and the cut, "Best Thing," is praised as the best song on the album.

Kracker, hailing from Miami Beach, Florida, has recently achieved great notice because of its hit song "Because of You the Sun Don't Shine." Playing funky rock, its dynamic performance and visual expression have been praised as being those "that cannot be missed."

### Mitch Miller To Direct NE Band and Chorus

Mitch Miller will make a guest appearance conducting the combined Niles East bands and choruses Wednesday, February 28. The concert, featuring a sing-a-long of old-time favorites, will be held in the Niles East auditorium at 8 p.m. A reception for parents of the performing students will follow.



# Where Have All The Crowds Gone?

By Dave Garlick

The past summer, the IHSA adopted two new rules concerning crowd control at basketball games.

**THE RULES STATE** that a player is not to show any emotion (such as swinging his arm or raising a fist when signaling he has fouled) after a foul. A player also is not allowed to fall down faking to be fouled. A technical foul will be charged to a player if the new rules are violated.

At schools like Evanston and Proviso East, the gym is full at every game. If a call goes against the home team, fruit, garbage, and even firecrackers have been thrown on the floor.

Last year, a full scale riot erupted at a Chicago Public League game.

**THE IHSA HOWEVER, DID NOT** have Niles East in mind when it drew up these rules.

The crowds at East's games are small and quiet. Those who do come, spend more time running around and talking to their friends than watching the game. Students never attend away games.

Meanwhile, at sister schools Niles West and North, the teams play before full gyms. Each school has a group that goes to every game to cheer the team on. And they have fun!

When North came to East a

few weeks ago, Trojan captain Jimmy Cohn commented, "It's like we're playing a road game." He was right. There were twice as many North students, and they made four times as much noise.

**IT DOES MAKE A DIFFERENCE** in the outcome of the game. A full house with the crowd urging the team on with every move, helps a player. It gives him the extra desire and energy needed to make the difference between blocking a shot or stealing a pass, and just missing the attempt.

Help crowd control become a problem at East; come cheer the Trojans on.

# Latin Program Ended

The Nihilite staff regrets the discontinuance of the Latin program at Niles East. The wide variety of foreign languages taught at this school has long been a source of pride, in addition to being an opportunity for students to experiment before attending college.

Dr. Lee Hawkins, director of the language department, is presently considering offering independent study to those students who have been phased-out of the Latin program, as an alternative to dropping the language. We hope that the administration will adopt this proposal without delay, so that next year's advanced classes will benefit.

**THOUGH ENROLLMENT HAS PRESENTLY** declined, we agree with Latin teacher Mrs. French that student interest will not necessarily be lacking in the future. Though the rationale behind the phaseout is understandable, we hope the administration will make every

effort to accommodate prospective Latin students by offering Latin 1-2 to each graduating class of the junior highs to sample interest. If enrollment becomes large enough, Mrs. French, who is remaining at Niles East as an English instructor, could be available to teach the newly instituted Latin classes.

**THERE HAS ALSO BEEN DISCUSSION**, among administrative circles, of discontinuing the Russian language courses in addition to Latin. We hope this idea quickly will be dropped. Although enrollment also may be declining in this area, the same arguments for abandonment do not apply. Russian is a modern language, constantly becoming more important as U.S.-Soviet relations improve. Though difficult to master, it is commonly offered by colleges.

The foreign language department currently appears to have many problems; however, curtailing its available opportunities is not the answer.

# Happenings '72 In The Looking Glass

By Michele Freed

"It was the best of times. It was the worst of times," may very well apply to the year 1972 at Niles East.

**IN JANUARY, 1972** women's liberation at long last hit part of Niles East when Barb Sapoznick, '74 swam for the all male Trojans Swim Team. In the January 30 competition the "It's Academic" team consisting of Scott Bieber, '73, team captain; Cheryl Heidelberger, '72; and Robert Feder, '72 with alternates Howard Pearl, '72; Shelly Kagan, '72; and Rick Angell, '73 tied for second place.

February brought the Orchestras Dance Concert, and the Trojan matmen took the first place Suburban League title since 1959.

**"FIDDLER ON THE ROOF"** came alive in March, while sisters Celeste, '72, and Denise, '74, Chlapaty speed skated their way to victory. March brought the closing of an uneventful season for fencers and swimmers.

Once again the donkeys played basketball and organic music played by Woodrose came to Niles East. Congratulations were in order for gymnast Dave Apple, '72, who was heroic in the state finals with the greatest exhibition of his career.

Along with Spring, April brought: Children's Theater, and Ripplettes Show, "Hey! Here I Am!"

At the start of May many students were handing out sheets

requesting pledges for the yearly Hunger Hike.

**THE MONTH ENDED WITH PROM** "Days of Future Passed." The court consisted of Gary Castino and Terry Zurla, Ken Chemers and Carole Goldberg, and Rob Feder and Julie Simon.

In June we bid the senior class adieu, anticipating summer vacation.

Students were welcomed back in the fall with a new computerized attendance system, making it almost impossible for any student to "cut" classes. The reaction of the students was one of rebuttal, shock, and in some cases utter dismay.

Sixteen new teachers were added to faculty, and the Trojans took their big step into the Central Suburban League, and homeroom was no longer.

**OCTOBER BROUGHT HOME COMING** and a change. Instead of the traditional dance the students wanted something new and got it whether they liked it or not. "It's an Election Year" was performed by the players of the Jane Adams Hull House. A car caravan replaced the floats.

During the month the Trojans dedicated the football field to the creator of the Niles East Athletic department, Harold "Ike" Isaacson. The Harlem Globetrotters performed in East's gymnasium and female football managers gave the

team a new outlook.

**NOVEMBER BROUGHT THE NEWS** of no more finals. After the long hard work of many students and faculty, finals were finally abolished.

Five basketball team members awaited the end of the first five basketball games, which would permit them to play again. They had been suspended while participating in a summer basketball league.

Cheering the basketball players to victory were the male cheerleaders known as the "Squeenies."

**THE MUSICAL GROUP "UP WITH PEOPLE"** visited Niles East again and a solo was sung by Karla Rosenzweig, a former East student.

December brought the holidays and goodwill was in the hearts of all the students in the Special Education Club. They sponsored the Orchard Telethon to keep the Orchard Center for mentally handicapped open.

**PLANS FOR VERBATIM HELD** January 6 were going into effect. The special presentation was a benefit performance to aid Niles East graduate Nancy Becker bound to a wheelchair due to a diving accident. The proceeds are going toward a lift for her home.

Then came winter vacation and thoughts of a New Year — 1973. Let's hope it brings bigger and better things to Niles East.

# Niles East Improves With Age

By Scott Skaletsky

The democratic process, most of us would agree, is slow in bringing about changes — especially for young people. We often become discouraged and depressed when thoughtful, positive, and plausible suggestions seem to be ignored. Although there are many issues and projects waiting to be executed, one should take notice of a few that have been accomplished.

1. The Student Lounge, once a drab dull place, now has been refurbished, and repainted with colors that are bright and cheery. The new ceiling lights also help and now its not such a depressing place to sit and visit with friends and play cards in any more.

2. "N" CLUB HAS MADE

**TREMENDOUS** gains this year. Clearly, the smartest idea of the club was to start selling popcorn twelfth period in the gym foyer, and kids have been buying it in droves. President of the club, Pete Stearns, '73 feels that this is the most the "N" Club has done in a long time. The club has made enough money to pay for the popcorn machine, plus some to put in the treasury. It's good to see this fine school activity adding to the school life.

3. "Verbatim," the acting group who came to raise money for a former student at East was very successful. Nancy Becker was paralyzed in a swimming accident and needed money for a lift to help maneuver her wheelchair. East

alumni, parents and students showed up in great numbers. Hopefully, enough money was raised to get Nancy her lift.



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## Personal Essay

# A Happy Memory

By Janet Coclanis

Every student entering high school has dreams about the things he wishes to accomplish in the next four years. These dreams are usually of great popularity, being Homecoming Queen, star quarterback on the football team or playing the lead in the spring musical. We all want to do our share and make some huge contribution. But as the years pass these dreams seem to fade away and we are faced with the reality of never being the queen or star quarterback. Instead we begin to look for something we can do to substitute for this great loss. The thought of never being able to tell your child that you were popular, well-liked and that you made a name for yourself tears you apart.

**I WANTED VERY MUCH** to contribute to my school — to do something. My sophomore year I enrolled in a journalism class and became increasingly interested in the subject due to my fantastic teacher. My junior year I worked on the Nihilite staff under two editors whom I came to know very well and whose friendship I will always treasure. This year I had the honor of the title Co-Editor-in-Chief of the Nihilite.

I could never find the words to express how much this has meant to me.

I loved being and working with my Co-Editor, Michelle Kulwin, and our hard-working and enthusiastic staff this semester. Thank You, Laura, Michelle, Lynn, Dennis, Scott, Dave, Scott, Marlin, Jim and Jeff for putting up with me. And Thank you Rob, for all your help and dedication. To you Mrs. Scherb, a very special Thank You to a woman whom I have come to admire and highly respect. We could never have put out one issue without your constructive criticism, ideas and never-ending patience. I'll miss you very much.

**ALTHOUGH ON NILEHILITE** distribution days, the newspaper is thrown away, turned into paper airplanes, ripped in half, we still believe that it has been read to some extent. I think without that thought firmly in mind we'd never have our heart in our work.

To some the Nihilite may not seem to be much of a contribution to the school — but to me it was; and it will always be a happy and beautiful memory.

"Happiness is like peanut butter — you can't spread even a little without getting some on yourself."  
"The frustrating thing is that the key to success dosen't always fit your ignition."

# A Demented Dream For a 'Final' Final

By Karyn Esken

"WHAT'S YOUR PROBLEM, GILROY? You actually mean to say that you want to keep on having final exams?" I was dumbfounded.

"I sure do, I . . . hey, look out!"

IT WAS TOO LATE. My hand, that had been innocently reaching out for a mushy cookie was now being violently thrust into a sad-looking dish of moldy pickles at the head of the lunch counter. I cursed the surging masses enveloping the food behind me, as I rummaged through my wallet for change for my salad.

"LET'S GET OUTA HERE and talk," I suggested to Gilroy. We proceeded to clear some garbage off a table to make room for our meager meals. It was impossible.

"Now, what's all this I hear about you wanting to keep finals?"

Gilroy Gradelove, my pal, began his strange explanation in between mouthfuls of his taco, that was in the process of falling apart all over his lap.

"WELL, JUST LOOK AT THEIR ADVANTAGES," he explained. "First of all, there's that whole week we always get off from classes reserved for vigorous study and tests. If somebody has three identical grades going for him at the end of the semester, what's he got to study for? No final's gonna teach him anything, or help his grade, either. So, by getting rid of the exams they're robbing some of us of that week off to sleep! They are infringing upon, therefore, the health and well-being of the student body! What would the Board think about that?"

"I don't know, Gil. You've got a very interesting view." I

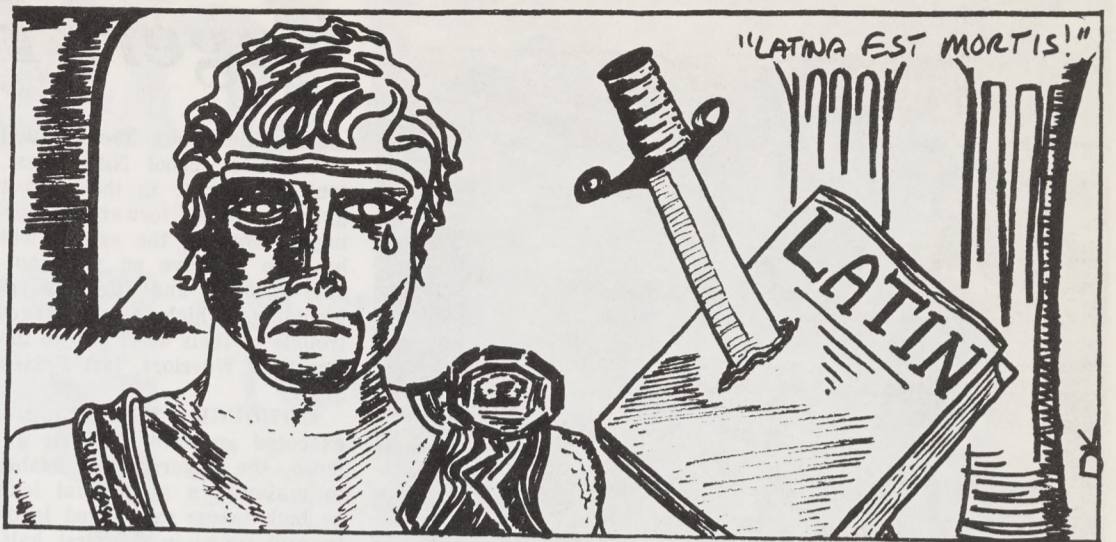
pushed aside my fork to ponder upon this strange reasoning as an unidentified orange peel was lobbed into my unsuspecting salad from the opposite side of the cafeteria. I attempted to ignore it and continue. "Hey, what about the teachers, though, Gil. Won't getting rid of finals make it easier on them?"

GILROY'S FACE TURNED RED and he pounded his fists on the table, upsetting the garbage we'd just cleared. "Are you crazy?" he fumed. "Easier on teachers? What's school for, anyway? An education for us, or a holiday for our teachers? Good old final exams used to be beautiful lessons in efficiency! To cram 18 weeks of learning into one 90-minute test took a teacher of rare intelligence and fortitude! Grading 150 exams in one evening, to meet with the end of a semester was an ingenious method of seeking out the "quick-minded" teachers, those who didn't fluster under stress. We could've finally weeded out all those lazy liberal instructors who copped-out by not giving finals. There will be no way to separate the good teachers from the bad anymore! We will be subservient to shiftless incompetents!" Gilroy was waving his hands up and down violently. His eyes were ablaze. I tried to remain calm, but suddenly had to duck to dodge a flying hotdog. I missed the hotdog, but caught the mustard smack in the face.

"I'm still not convinced, Gil," I argued, as I borrowed my friend's napkin. "Won't the abolishment of finals clear the air and lessen the pressure on all the students?" Here is where Gilroy exploded.

"NO, NOT ALL. You are forgetting the most important students in school. US, the seniors!! I've waited four long years for my last semester to come when the whole school took their finals except me. I broke my brain twice every year without complaint. One salvation burned in my mind; the dream of that final semester when I could hysterically laugh in the faces of freshmen or sophomores, sweltering through hours of study to salvage their plummeting average. I had hallucinations of screaming out, 'Hallelujah! I'M DONE! You all must suffer through these exams, not me. Eighth semester seniors don't have to take finals! But now . . . now I'll never be able to utter those words that have been burning in my mind since I came to this school. My whole reason for graduating. To have this last laugh, and now they've robbed me of it. I tell you it's a gross injustice . . . a plot to ruin us all!!!"

With that, Gilroy began emptying his Coke onto his head, dumped his entire tray onto the floor, and stomped out of the cafeteria, tearing his hair out as he went. Anywhere else, I'd have thought Gilroy Gradelove's dreams of a "final" final had driven him insane. But glancing around me, his antics were nothing out of the ordinary, so I casually removed the orange peel from my salad, and continued eating my lunch.



## Latin Phase Out: Student's Loss?

By Anita Bradford

Definite plans for a phase out of Latin classes are in the process of completion at Niles East.

**STUDENTS WHO APPLIED** for first year Latin for the 1973 school year received a letter informing them that only two years would be available to them. Students in third year Latin will be able to complete their fourth year in 1974.

Dr. Lee Hawkins, director of the foreign language department at East, said that he "regrets the loss of Latin; however, student interest has declined."

Mrs. Lois French, Latin teacher, claims that student interest is not lacking. She maintains that student enrollment is at low tide. Presently, 60 students are enrolled in the Latin program.

**MRS. FRENCH ALSO** feels that the emphasis in junior high is to teach the modern languages. Students entering high school, therefore, are urged to continue in such languages as French and German.

### Trend Toward Practicality

Elaborating upon this concept, Dr. Hawkins stated that the national trend of today's youth is toward a more pragmatic society. Students are asking "how much can I get for this?" Since it is the misconception of many people that Latin is a dead language, they tend to steer away from it.

**CONTRARY TO POPULAR** opinion, Mrs. French explained

that Latin is important in the English language because it brought about the usage of two syllable words. The Anglo-Saxon language only provides one syllable words such as cat and rat.

Many of the students taking Latin feel that it helps them in other subjects. Kathy Kokotek, senior, claims that Latin has helped her in history and geography as well as with English sentence structure.

**BILL WITTE, FRESHMAN**, said that Latin has helped him in mythology, while Vince Trauth, junior, maintains that Latin helps as a basis of learning modern languages. Through his background in Latin, Vince claims he can understand a little of the German and French languages since both contain derivatives of Latin.

The words of Bill Witte seem to sum up student feeling regarding the phase out when he said he was "sad to see it go."

**MARK GAINES, JUNIOR**, feels that "Latin is a good thing." A senior, claimed that through the Latin class one builds character, gains responsibility, and maintains self-discipline.

### Independent Study Proposed

A suggestion now under study is the continuation of Latin as an independent study course for those who wish to study the language.

John Coens, sophomore, disagrees with this course of action as does Kathy Kokotek. They both agree that for the first two

years Latin should be taught as a class because of the interchange of ideas between students. They claim the class is what makes the subject interesting. Kathy suggests that perhaps the independent study course should be offered for third and fourth year courses.

**ON THE OTHER HAND**, Vince Trauth and Dr. Hawkins agree that the independent study of Latin is a fine idea.

**LARRY ISER, SENIOR**, thinks the "phase out is practical since students aren't signing up for the course." However, he feels that Latin should be available in the future for others who want to take it. This seems to be the sentiment among many of the students questioned. They all regretted the loss of Latin; however, they did understand the rationale behind it.

Mrs. French also sees the phase out as inevitable, but is hoping for a change in student enrollment.

### Mrs. French: From Latin to English

What will Mrs. French do when the phase out is completed? She will remain at East and teach in a subject of her choice, probably English, according to Dr. Hawkins.

Mrs. French said of teaching, "I love it. It's a challenge. I am sorry that this is happening but in a take-off from General MacArthur, 'An old soldier never dies; he just fades away.' A good language never dies out, but it will return. I am sure of it," she concluded.

## Singer's Tune

By Marty Singer

### On Suburban Living

My middle name might as well be "garbage," but that's what I get for being a male teenager in suburbia.

My father woke me up this morning as he uttered, "Get up and don't forget to take out the garbage before you leave the house." Not even a "Have a nice day," did I get, just the routine, "Take out the garbage!"

**AFTER RETURNING HOME** from a five day vacation last summer, I was greeted at the door by my dear mother and a bag of that reeking trash. As I peered over her shoulder, I discovered six more bags of the same much to my dismay.

"The house hasn't been the same since you left," she cried. And somehow I knew why she was crying.

As I donned my noseplugs and set out loaded with two wet shopping bags of "goodies", I just knew I wouldn't reach my destination. Then all of a sudden what I feared most happened.

There lie the rotten baloney I threw out five days ago conversing with an empty bottle of mustard and some paper plates amidst half of last week's grocery haul, splattered all over the sidewalk.

**WHEN I GATHERED** everything together in leakproof bags, I arrived at my destination successfully. But as usual I could not find room to dump my latest cargo. That alley seems like Grand Central Station for trash bags. Where's a garbageman when you need one? They must come on alternate Tuesdays when there's a full moon every leap year.

But seriously, I shouldn't criticize our sanitary specialists because I feel a close professional kinship between them. And I now I am not alone.

**SO TO ALL MALE TEEN-AGERS** who belong to G.A.A. (Garbageman's Assistants Association), ours is not a lonely road. Our plights are common to many distraught young men throughout the land.

We are haunted by that dirty four word sentence, "Take Out The Garbage!" (If your father were Tarzan, it'd be a 3 word sentence, "Take Out Garbage!")

How can one escape that cursed odor and those leaky bags? Have your own little stinker to do the dirty work.

**FIRST GET MARRIED** and then have a child, and pray for a baby boy. — Don't confuse the order. — As soon as the kid can walk, start him out easy with a couple of used egg shells inside a baggy and march him out to the alley. Gradually progress to "Hefty Trash Can Liners" and then clear your throat and practice bellowing those everlasting lines:

### TAKE OUT THE GARBAGE!

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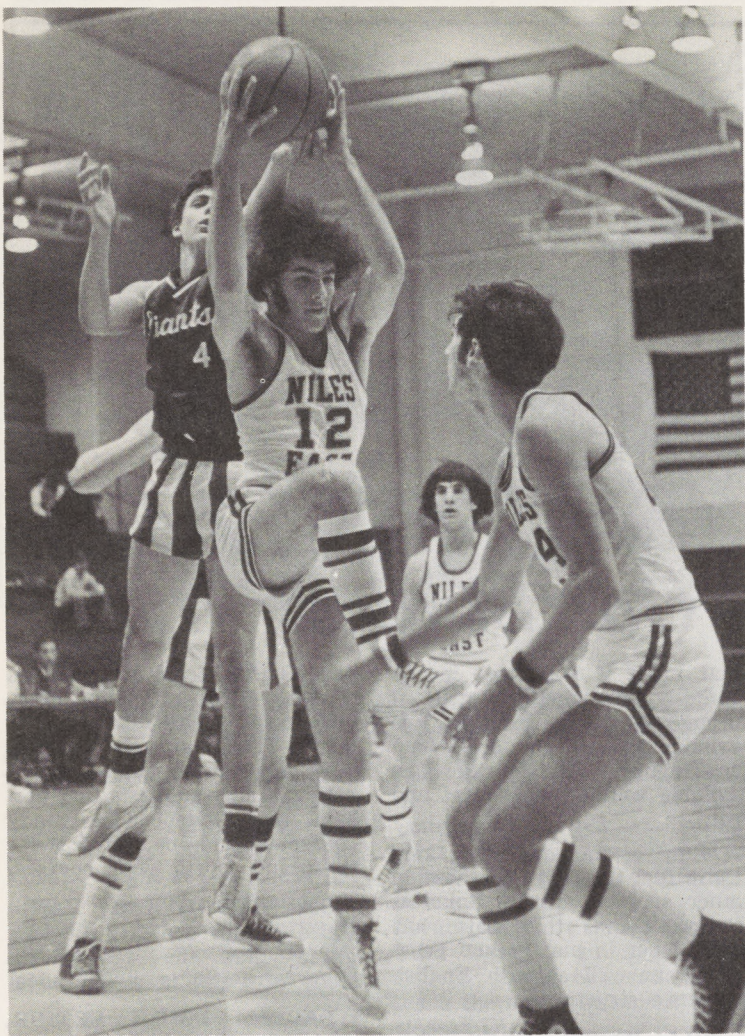
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Trojan cager Corey Levens (12) grabs a rebound as (from right to left) Jim Cohn and Jeff Johnson watch the action. (Photo by Mike Fryer)

# Cagers Host West Tonight!

By Scott Jacobson

The Niles East Trojans will host sister school Niles West, tonight at 8:30, in the contest gym. Looking forward to tonight's contest, the cagers will have to improve on their outside shooting and offensive rebounding, which caused them trouble in their 49-30 loss to the Deerfield Warriors, last Friday night.

ALTHOUGH THE Trojans executed an excellent zone defense, the cagers were unable to maintain a substantial lead as both teams exchanged leads several times in the first half. Due to this defensive play, the first half was slow paced and low scoring, as the Trojans

entered the locker room ahead 17-16.

In the cager's last four games, the Trojan's had the halftime lead, but in all cases, they slumped off to poor defensive play and foul trouble, winding up in defeat.

After Niles East took a 24-21 lead in the third quarter, the slump occurred as Deerfield scored 10 straight points, giving the Warriors a 31-24 edge. As the game started moving at a more rapid pace, the Trojans found their offense and defense failing. With the score 37-28, junior Len Weinstein hit Niles East's last two points of the night, with 4:49 remaining in

the game.

THE WARRIORS took advantage of Niles East's second half failure storking the Trojan defense with 12 consecutive points, and only less than 4 minutes remaining in the contest, giving Deerfield a 49-30 victory.

Trojan Head coach Gary Cook, not heavily relying on his bench strength, let his second string get into some action, with a 1:30 left in the game. The cagers, including Brad Lerman, Dave Garlick, and Jeff Kray, unable to score themselves, held the Warriors to 4 points.

If the Trojans can mend their second half wounds, they should be able to defeat Niles West.

# Matmen Head Toward Title

By Ed Jacobs

On Friday, January 12, the Niles East Trojan grapplers took a huge leap in the direction of the divisional title when they outpointed a fine Deerfield team, in an excitingly close meet played on the Trojans' home mats.

AMID CHEERING fans and an ecstatic Head Coach Fred Richardi, the meet was decided in the 185-pound class match when Trojan Rick Angell was up against a tremendous opponent in Steve Goetz, who recently defeated Angell in the finals of the Trojan Invitational. The match turned out to be exactly the opposite of the result in the invitational, with Angell coming out on top by a score of 11-8. This match knotted up the team score at

23-23, and with the Trojans gaining a forfeit in the heavyweight class, the final team score became 29-23. Other victorious matmen for the varsity included sophomore Mike Stone (112 lbs.), Phil Cech (119 lbs.), Larry Yale (132 lbs.), Daryl Michaels (138 lbs.), and Kip Weisman (155 lbs.).

First place teams are a rarity at East, but wrestling has three teams in the number one spot in the CSL South Division, with the freshman and sophomore teams both scoring impressive victories over the Deerfield Warriors, and with the varsity's victory. The sophs were led by Paul Kostyniuk, Henry Rollick, George Christopoulos, and Bill Hall.

IN ACTION over winter vaca-

tion, in the Glenbrook South Tournament, Rick Angell and Kip Weisman both took second place finishes for East in impressive style. At the East Leyden Invitational, Dennis Rock and Daryl Michaels both took first place honors for the Trojans.

STAYING ON TOP of the division will be East's objective tonight when the matmen travel to sister school, Niles West, for more rough competition at 6:30.

# Foilers Suffer Loss

By Ron Miller

"I think we're getting a beating. But I see a lot of bright spots," commented head coach Robert Keen on last weekend's performances by the fencing team. The Trojans were defeated by Maine South 11-7 on January 11 and trounced by a confident Notre Dame team 14-4 on January 12. Coach Keen said that the losses should indicate where the fencers need work, and stated that "they will be worked exceedingly hard next week. We have to be more aggressive." Several observers of the meets commented on the lack of spirit and desire on the part of the Trojans. They asked why spectators should be interested in a team that is not trying to win. It is hoped that the fencers will begin to show the determination that could win the state title.

THE "BRIGHT SPOTS" included captain Ron Rovner's 3-0 showing against Maine South, Joe Jans' 2-1 performance against a strong, experienced Notre Dame frosh-soph team, and the improved aggressiveness of Hal Sloan, Larry Nelson, and Jim Osness on the frosh-soph level, and Paul Schultz on the varsity. What kept Coach Keen smiling in defeat was the

poise and form displayed by freshman Larry Labow against Notre Dame's varsity. "It was a tremendous performance for someone who's never fenced with electrical equipment before." (On the frosh-soph level, touches are counted by four fencers, two from each team, who report to the judge, who makes the decision. The electronic sensing equipment used on the varsity level takes time to adjust to.)

The setback, bringing the Trojans' record to 4-3, will not affect the team's chances in the state tournament in March. Once a fire is lit under the fencers, and they show the determination, confidence, and fierce desire to win displayed by Notre Dame, there may be no team strong enough to foil their attempt to win the state title.

ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 25 the fencers will be at Niles West at 4 p.m. Two important home meets are February 2 against New Trier East with state champion Mike McCahey, and a week later February 9, when the fencers will get revenge for an earlier loss to New Trier West. Both are at 6 p.m. in the indoor track.

# Gymnasts Keep Winning; Ranked 3rd in State

By Dave Mayer

The Niles East gymnastic team returned from winter vacation stronger than ever by brushing off Maine North 126.84 to 39. Three weeks earlier the gymnasts turned in the highest score ever recorded by a Niles East team when they totaled over 131 points to give them the third place ranking in the state. Saturday, January 6, the Trojans encountered Niles North and Niles West in the prestigious Viking Invitational. The meet featured New Trier West, Glenbrook South, Mundelein, and Rich East as well. All-Around man Rick Robbin compiled 38.40 points for a 7.68 average, his highest total thus far to capture second in that event.

ROBBIN WAS a key factor in the Trojan's second place team finish. Niles North won the invitational based on individual places but East outscored North by normal meet standards. In addition, Robbin tied for second on parallel bars, took fourth on the side horse and won the horizontal bar with an 8.65. Other team points were earned from Rick Powers who placed on side horse and Eric Nagel who tied for fifth place with Niles North all-around man Mike Kravitz. The Trojans will travel to Glenbrook South tomorrow. Freshman-Sophomore competition begins at 1:30 with the Varsity starting at 2:45.

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