



Guinevere, Sue Ann Gershenzon, '71, soothes King Arthur, Jeff Ortman, '71, while rehearsing for Camelot, this year's spring musical.

News Hilites

N-Club Raises Contributions for Others

While most school organizations are raising funds for social activities and their own use, there is one group who is basically raising money for charitable purposes — N-Club.

"**MOST OF THE FUNDS** we raise go for contributions and donations," explained Mr. Romaine Baker, sponsor. This year the N-Club already has given \$200 to the Pom-Pom Squad for their uniforms and have paid the coaches' membership into the Skokie Park District Basketball League.

Recently, the boys were involved in a three day "cushion selling" contest selling 660 plastic coated cushions of three designs. The club received the order blanks from a company and were told to sell as many as possible in three days. A prize is awarded to the member selling the most, who in this case is Rick Shane, '72, with a total of 121. Extra cushions have been ordered in each design and can be purchased at \$2 by contacting any N-Club member or Mr. Baker. The three types of pillows are zodiac designs, Niles East Trojans, and safety first-aid instructions.

COMING UP AFTER spring vacation is the Ugly Man Contest. One boy and one girl have been selected by volunteers from each class level and half the money will be given to the winning class level and half to charity.

Other N-Club fund raising projects will consist of a booth in Panic and a series of car washes this spring for \$1 per car. Topping off the year will be a steak-fry for the coaches and their families.

Two Sisters Win Speed Skating Titles

The National Indoor Speed Skating Titles came to East recently brought by two sisters, Denise, a freshman and also a cheerleader, and Celeste, a junior enrolled in Leaders' Gym. The Chlapaty girls are sisters of Mike and Gary Chlapaty, who graduated last June, 1970.

THE SISTERS WON THE U.S. Title the weekend of March 6-7 at Flint, Michigan, after returning from a successful trip to Canada where they competed in a skating meet at Kitchner, Canada, just outside of Toronto, Canada. Denise had broken two Canadian records. She established a new record in the 800 meter and also in the 1,000 meter. Celeste has broken a number of Illinois records this past season. It has been a very successful season for both girls who have bigger goals to look forward to with hopes of getting on the U.S.A. Olympics training team.

Freshman Plan Fund Raising Projects

The Freshman Class Cabinet began organizing itself early in the school year. As its first order of business it established Tuesday mornings at 7:30 in Room 246 as its meeting place.

SOON THEREAFTER cabinet officers were elected. They include Robert Feder, president; Gwen Natenberg, secretary; and Barry Arkush, treasurer. The members then designed and sold Class of 1974 buttons. This project proved to be a great success.

Currently, Freshman Cabinet is finalizing plans for its participation in Panic '71 in which it will operate two booths. Also being discussed are further fund raising plans for the freshman class.

ALL MEETINGS ARE open and interested freshmen are invited to attend and participate.

AFS Chapter Needs \$500 to Achieve Goal

The Niles East chapter of the American Field Service has found itself in extreme need of funds. In order to operate both the American Aboard and AFS programs fully, the chapter must earn \$500 more in order to achieve their goal of \$1,300. Without the help of students and parents, the gifts of international friendship will be impossible. AFS is a non-profit organization and would greatly appreciate any donations they may receive.

ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING the situation will be answered by Carol Tarantur, Homeroom 145, or by calling her at 674-0373.

Golden Galleon Revamps Magazine Format

Golden Galleon is selling candy now to raise funds they are in need of in order to publish their changed literary magazine this year.

THE FORMAT OF THE literary magazine has been changed to a folder including photographs and manuscripts, which are submitted and graded. This year's Golden Galleon is reduced to a price of 50¢.

Golden Galleon needs support and cooperation to make the 1971 Golden Galleon the most successful ever.



Round-up for Donkey Basketball

Next Saturday, March 26, at 8 p.m., in the large gym, the Niles East Booster Club will present "Donkey Basketball."

A round-up of administrators, faculty, cheerleaders, and N-Club volunteers is being staged to play basketball while riding donkeys. Yes, real, live donkeys. The object of the game is first, to stay on the donkey and second, to score the points, although neither seem easy to do. Two games are scheduled, so the players will make up four teams. The teams will be equally balanced between students and staff, and men and women. Since it is difficult to stay on the donkey for any time at all, the teams will change players

about every five minutes to give each member a chance. There are four donkeys on each team, only eight play at a time.

THE BOOSTER CLUB had contacted people who bring these donkeys all around as a business. This particular group is from Buckeye Donkey Basketball, Columbus, Ohio. The only catch is that the players must be provided. The owners have these donkeys specially trained, wearing rubber shoes on their hoofs with special paper on the floor. Another catch is that the donkeys are not guaranteed not to buck, which could prove to be rather interesting and humorous.

Among the rules are that the

players must pass the ball while on the donkey; if a player falls off he must climb back on before releasing the ball; and, finally, team members must be at least sixteen years old.

THE PROSPECTIVE line-up so far consists of Dr. Arthur Colver, Mr. Charles Van Cleave, Mr. James Swanson, Mr. Fred Richardi, Mr. Gary Cook, Mr. Robert Furlan, Mr. Tom Sokalski, Mr. Kenneth Polaski, Mr. Nicholas Odzivak, Mr. Romaine Baker, and Mr. Jerry Castino. Miss Joanne Morris and Mrs. Kathy Lesley are the only two female volunteers so far. Mr. Harry Ewing is the prospective announcer and referee.

"Hopefully we will get everyone in on the act; administrators, faculty, men and women, N-Club members, cheerleaders, and the pom-pom squad. The more people, the more fun it will be," Mr. Jerry Yale, Booster Club publicity chairman, explained.

THE PROGRAM, which was presented successfully at Niles North and Glenbrook South is the Booster Club's main fund raising project. Tickets will be sold at \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for students.



P.A.C.E. members pictured left to right, include Gayla Kosh, '71, Carol Seligman, '72, Scott Marinello, '71, Mr. Hayward Wood, Karen Racusen, '71, and Sue Anne Gershenzon, '71.

PACE Holds Teach-In

On Tuesday, March 23, Niles East Chapter of P.A.C.E. (People Against Contamination of the Environment) will sponsor its second annual Environmental Teach-In, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. in eight rooms.

STUDENTS ARE encouraged to attend the various discussions on their non-class time or as a class with their teacher. Homeroom will be before third period. Schedules of the speakers and the room numbers will be distributed before March 23.

Many of the same speakers will be on hand Thursday night March 25, when the public is invited to attend the Teach-In at Niles East from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. An information booth will be stationed at the Lincoln Street entrance. Topics for discussion include birth control, abortion, right to life, life style, recycling of resources, and food contamination, with an emphasis on population control.

AS OF THIS TIME presentations will be made by Mr. Len Shure, Skokie Board of Health; Mr. Larry McElfresh and Dr. Brown, Skokie Health Department; Lynn Heidt, National Consumer Union; Mr.

Raymond Mostek, Pat Mammen and Reverend Hayes Fletcher, Illinois Committee of Medical Control of Abortions; a speaker from the Right to Life group, opposing abortions; a panel consisting of Reverend Daley, Skokie Valley Baptist Church; Father Berk, Roman Catholic Church, and a rabbi, who will discuss birth control and abortion; Mrs. Stephan Snyder, Mrs. Hammond Hunt and Mr. Philip Rollhouse, planned parenthood; Mr. and Mrs. Jay Wilson, women's lib view on population; and Mr. Ed Ernst and Dr. John Betts, Niles East staff. Special discussions will be given by the Niles East Varsity Debate Team, and by a group of students from Oakton Community Junior College who will present a panel on the topic "a new life style."

Besides the accomplishments of many successful teach-ins, P.A.C.E. is especially proud to have one of their members, Scott Marinello, '71, on the Village Health Board. "This shows the community that students are interested in helping solve these problems," stressed Mr. Hayward Wood, sponsor.

Sophomore, Varsity Cheerleaders Chosen

Next year's sophomore and varsity cheerleaders were chosen Tuesday, March 9, in the girl's small gym after school, and on Thursday, March 11, the varsity squad was divided into eight regulars and two alternates.

EACH GIRL HAD to perform a required cheer individually and one of her choice with a partner, to show harmony. The girls were required to attend clinics at which time they were taught various cheers and stunts. Four jumps including the arch, the flex, and the Russian were mandatory, along with two stunts, usually a cartwheel or handspring, plus the splits.

Among the judges were Mrs. Susan Chadd, sponsor; Mr. Puff, chaperone; Dr. Barbara Ray, Mrs. Kathy Armstrong, Mr. Gary Cook, and Mrs. Sharon Callaghan. Students were represented by Joe Capezio, N-Club; Gilbert Tresley, Student Legislature; and Sue Buckman, Sue Mueller, Monica Moses, and Donna Epton, '70-'71 varsity cheerleaders.

Qualifications for cheerleaders include maintaining at least a 2.0 average, being courteous and a leader, promoting school spirit and morale, practicing three times a week and two hours a week in the summer.

ANY GIRL who has been a cheerleader for three years in high school is automatically on the squad as a senior. This year the girls are Karen Rice and Nancy Monsen. Other '71-'72 varsity cheerleaders include Elysa Barack, '72; Debbi Romanelli, '72; Janice Theodore, '73; Susan Levitt, '73; Faye Estlin, '73; Lynn Irving, '73; Laurie Greiman, '73; and Sue Greenberg, '73.

The sophomore squad consists of Janice Bauer, Marcia Wolowic, Denise Chlapaty, Wendy Mendelssohn, Joanne Deutsche, Cynthia Brown, Nancy Mendelssohn, first alternate; Paula Menzer, second alternate; and Marilyn Morris, third alternate.



Denise (left) and Celeste Chlapaty with the trophies they won, competing in the National Indoor Speed Skating Title Contest for the United States.

Personal Essay

'Zoo' Welcomes All

by The Lounge Lay Supervisor

"My zoo" is like none other! It is not world renowned, or even remotely famous. To its daily visitors that come and go, however, it is indeed, very well known. You see it's a very different part of a place in that it is very unique from anything the average person has ever known.

One doesn't look out from behind caged doors and heavy bars in my zoo. Instead you look into a friendly, noisy, dirty, messy, relaxed atmosphere, where fun and games is often the order of the day.

Here the food is good, always fresh; you name it, we have it—almost. The cokes are always cold and flow like a vintage wine—except when the machine is out of order. If one doesn't feel like eating, sleeping is also on the agenda, providing of course self hypnosis occurs.

THERE IS much to do here in "my zoo." Cards without money, of course. Read or study—if you are able to concentrate, that is. Listen to a radio or two or three—all different stations going at the same time, naturally. One can visit with a friend or even try to make a friend if you're alone. We rap a lot here. Sometimes the subject is drugs, other times school matters, or perhaps about a boyfriend or girlfriend. We've discussed parents—pro and con, understanding them, and having them understand the points of view of the young people. Even sex—the way Dr. Ruben explained it has provided us with an interesting bit of knowledge. Ski trips have been relived with much pleasure or displeasure depending on whether a leg was broken or not. The problem of finding a job is often a current topic of discussion. The weather is casually mentioned, depending on how earth shattering the news might be. You name it—we talk about it. We talk about anything that makes up part and parcel of our society and ecology.

Many of the young people that come here to visit know quite a few of the answers about a lot of things, but more important they know a lot of the right questions. They're on the ball mentally, physically, and emotionally. They're sensitive to all that's going on. They're fun and they are funny, in the refreshing way that only youth can be.

THEIR PROBLEMS are as real as the world they're living in. Most of them have already learned the secret of coping with them, instead of copping out. To face reality—my what a big order. So many adults cannot do it. These kids in "my zoo" deserve an "A" for effort, for it is just that, such an effort to learn how to live with and for people, instead of with an attitude against people.

This little corner of my world is truly a vibrant one. It is so alive and kicking. It is where everyone is welcome—no invitation is needed. The only requirement necessary is a free period or two—no cutting allowed you see.

If you visit "my zoo" today, please excuse the mess—the maids are off. Perhaps you will even help me straighten it up a bit. I would appreciate that you see it's "my zoo" and I like it, but only because it's yours too and you're there, and I enjoy being with you.

THAT'S WHERE the action is, and that's where I like to be.

Personal Essay

56 Hr. Picket Date Set

by Kathy Lichtenstein

On February 25 forty-nine teachers were fired by our School Board upon Dr. Wesley Gibbs', the Superintendent of School District 219 recommendations. It is obvious that when these teachers leave, class sizes will increase. This is going to hurt us as students together with the fact that some classes will be dropped. During the month of March three students, Kathy Lichtenstein from East, Mort Schaffner from North, and Dave Jaffe from West met with Dr. Gibbs to assess the facts concerning the recent firings. Although Dr. Gibbs has promised no classes will be dropped, North already has dropped fourth year Latin, and West students were told to write down alternatives for certain classes in case they were not offered next year. The students must unite in order to combat the large amount of cut-backs in effect this year and to prevent any cutbacks of such a large scale from occurring in the future.

AT A RECENT MEETING of the Association of Parents, Students, Teachers, and Taxpayers of Niles Township, the members decided to support a student, teacher, parent picked slate for March 19. On Friday, March 19 starting at 12 noon until 8 p.m. on Sunday, March 21, there will be a 56-hour picket location on Oakton and Nagel (near Oakton College). Free doughnuts, coffee, heaters, and signs will be provided along with some transportation and adult supervision after curfew hours. Many parents and teachers have agreed to come. Four-hour shifts have been arranged during the day and two-hour shifts during the night, but, one can come even when one does not have a shift. We are hoping to have an overwhelming number of students there. For any additional information please contact Kathy Lichtenstein, Homeroom Auditorium, Ilene Hirsch, Homeroom 10, or Bruce Wolin, in Homeroom 235.

From Our Readers

Reaction

Dear Editor,

In response to the article entitled "P.E. Revisions Needed" which appeared in the January issue of the Nilehilit, the teachers of the Girls Physical Education Department would like to express their views.

The article indicated that in the new English curriculum teachers are able to teach courses in which they are most knowledgeable. This has always been true in the physical education curriculum; teachers are hired on the basis of their speciality such as, gymnastics, dance, swimming, team sports, and individual sports. This provides the student the best possible background in these areas. If we did not specialize, it wouldn't be necessary for you to change teachers each six-week period.

THE ARTICLE also stated that Niles East's physical education department consists of outdated rules and concepts and that a student should be able to choose the curriculum in which she wants to participate. It has been the goal of the Girls' Physical Education Department to offer a wide variety of activities to the students. Freshmen and Sophomores participate in vigorous team sports needed for body development while upperclassmen experience individual sports such as tennis, badminton, and golf which have carry over value for later life. Girls at Niles East are exposed to many different types of activities and each one is designed to serve the individual in a specific area.

Students Create Curriculum

As for students not being able to create their own curriculum as was stated in the article, the present senior class did create their own curriculum. Last year, each of the nine junior physical education classes selected nine representatives to meet with Dr. Ray before school to help improve the existing curriculum. These representatives then went to their respective classes to ask the students to suggest any activities they would like to learn in their senior year. The only limitations of their choices were the present facilities available on a rotational basis. The entire junior girl student body then voted on the suggestions of their peers and the activities with the most votes were presented to the seniors this year. The seniors also were given another vote this year, in their present class structure to determine which of the two most desirable activities they would like to learn. In many classes both activities were presented. The problem exists that a dance studio and a gymnastics balcony do not lend themselves to all sport activities. The pool, also, must be shared with the boys and the fact that the boys use our only large gym for twelve weeks during the winter does not make your choices any easier. We realize these problems exist but are powerless to provide you a specific type of activity, year-round, if the facilities are not available. An elective program sounds great on paper, but it still will not give everyone her preference. As is true in all departments, once a class is filled, the remaining students are forced to take a class that is not their first choice.

AS FOR A "D" grade in physical education keeping an honor student off the honor roll, this is not true and has never occurred, according to the registrar of our school. This is misinformation that has been fabri-

cated and circulated by some students who did not bother to learn the facts. Several months ago, the Girls' Physical Education Department initiated a proposal that gave the girls the option of electing to take physical education on a Pass/Fail basis next year. This proposal was approved and the choice will be available next September.

Physical Education Develops Students

Physical education "should be a time of relaxation and fun" as the article stated, and it is, by acting as an acceptable outlet for the ridding of tensions. Often times physical education is confused with recreation, but recreation only satisfied one aspect of the departmental goal. The function of physical education in the total school curriculum concerns itself with developing the student physically and intellectually as well as meeting with the social and emotional needs of the student. It involves learning skills which can be used for recreational purposes during leisure time and in post high school life. It deals with the accumulation of a body of knowledge and the ability to think and interpret this body of knowledge, such as, rules, techniques and strategies involved in physical activities. Through experiences in various games and sports people develop a sense of values, alertness and ability to diagnose a tense situation. Girls acquire the ability to make a decision quickly under highly emotionalized conditions and to interpret human actions and reactions. Socially, physical education is concerned with helping an individual to make personal and group adjustments, as a member of society, through participation in games.

Advisory Committee Hears Complaints

The Girls' Physical Education teachers actively try to set the scene for the above mentioned learning to take place through the course offerings of the department. We are concerned about identifying the needs of the students and have formulated an Advisory Committee for the purpose of evaluating the curricula and grading procedures of the department. The committee is composed of parents, students, and teachers. Contrary to the belief of the girls who indicated in the March issue of the Nilehilit that "you have to be in the good graces of the P.E. Department" to be on the committee, the students on the committee are those that volunteered from the Legislative House and those that were interested enough to return Dr. Colver's application blanks that were distributed several months ago. The committee was established at the end of January and had its first meeting on February 9; all students who expressed an interest before this meeting date were invited to be on the committee. Those students who returned their applications late, because of a personal complaint, were told that they could give their ideas to a committee member to be presented for them and that there would be an open discussion available to every student, soon, in the physical education classes.

The physical education staff remains dedicated to the task of meeting the needs of the girls at Niles East and welcomes constructive criticism. Each girl with suggestions should follow the channels of communication that are open to her. Either con-

tact one of the eighteen girls on the Advisory Committee or express your ideas during the open discussions to be conducted in the physical education classes.

THE GIRLS' PHYSICAL Education Staff

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DEAR EDITOR,

Using Niles East as my basis of information, I am inclined to agree with many of the politicians and public leaders who have displayed concern over the "new mood" which seems to have developed on campuses throughout the country.

I believe that, indeed, students have come to realize that change must be dealt with in a moderate rather than a radical fashion. We've become aware of this on recent occasions here at Niles East. The Palm-Pildes outbreak caused only confusion and no appreciable alteration in the board's decision. I am not suggesting that a less intensive reaction on the part of the students would have been more effective, yet it seems that a more subdued approach might have prevented the ill-feelings experienced on both sides.

Additionally, I feel that perhaps the entire concept of "radical change" has become somewhat of a bore. I find it comparable to a fad an adolescent delights himself by for a time, and then soon grows tired of. Personally, discussing the matter at hand openly and arriving at a suitable compromise is far more attractive than witnessing a dedicated showman dramatically exhibiting his emotions on the subject. When one becomes emotionally involved, there is little hope for any sort of diplomatic agreement. Truly, the philosophy used by so many of the once-effective radical groups has become like a fad, tedious.

And it seems students nationwide have come to agree with me or I to them. It seems a timely progression into a more pleasant and less strained period. Will it last? For the immediate future, I say yes. Until perhaps we grow tired of diplomacy and anxious for more "immediate action." Possibly an issue will arise in future time that will cause an outbreak of concern. As for now, I believe America is tired and would like a rest. Not a vacation — the problems are still there and most certainly must be dealt with, but let us hope in a more rational, considerate, and sensible manner.

Marla Friedman '72



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There are always books, lectures, and theories on how to bring up your child, or how a teacher should teach a youngster to mature and develop normally. But often all of these complicated theories aren't necessary. Surely for hundreds of years people were brought up without such intricacies. Of course, there have always been old-wives-tales, but often tender loving care, proper discipline and good understanding of what life is all about helps a child grow gracefully into the world of adulthood.

BUT, TOO OFTEN, people are so hung up on the theories that they never stop and realize some of the basics of learning about life. For a child not only has to learn skills and facts, but qualities; the qualities that make up an understanding human being . . . a goal which so many people are striving for.

There also must be a good understanding between a teacher and a student, because a student spends so much time in

school, certainly many teachers have a tremendous effect on the student and the character he forms. The way a teacher acts toward a student will also have an effect on the way a student responds to him . . . with understanding or dismay . . . with thanks or contempt.

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Students Learn From Examples
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DOROTHY LAW NOLTE wrote, "Children Learn What They Live." The word "student" has been substituted for "child," but any name could be replaced. She expresses her thoughts on people's inter-reactions with each other.

If a student lives with criticism, he learns to condemn.

If a student lives with hostility, he learns to fight.

If a student lives with fear, he learns to be apprehensive.

If a student lives with pity, he learns to feel sorry for himself.

If a student lives with ridicule, he learns to be shy.

If a student lives with jealousy, he learns what envy is.

If a student lives with encouragement, he learns to be confident.

If a student lives with tolerance, he learns to be patient.

If a student lives with praise, he learns to be appreciative.

If a student lives with acceptance, he learns to love.

If a student lives with approval, he learns to like himself.

If a student lives with recognition, he learns that it is good to have a goal.

If a student lives with sharing, he learns about generosity.

If a student lives with honesty and fairness, he learns what truth and justice are.

If a student lives with security, he learns to have faith in himself and those about him.

If a student lives with friendliness, he learns that the world is a nice place in which to live.

If you live with serenity, your students will live with peace of mind.

Movies Prove a Drag

by Debbie Deitch

All I wanted was to go see a movie. I didn't think that it was such an unusual wish, so I glanced through the pages of our local newspaper and came on the "Entertainment" section. I found that it wasn't quite as easy as I thought. I ran into a few basic problems.

FIRST OF ALL, I am under seventeen. This usually does not stop the underage moviegoer from seeing an "R" movie, but there are the strict managements of theaters that card the kid who decided not to go to the show with mom or dad. There's the first tough break.

The biggest let-down though was when I started reading the movies that were offered. My eyes fell upon the words **WHAT NEXT?** I read on to find that it was, "The Love Root," described as, "A wicked swinger game!" And naturally the thing that was next was the rating, "X".

I suddenly had gotten this fantastic desire to see a history flick. Something with knights in shining armor, damsels in distress, and the whole bit! It must have been my lucky day for there I saw in large Gothic print the famed name of Henry VIII. This is too good I thought to myself, and of course it was. For above his name in the same ancient printing were the words, *The Secret Scandals of . . .* this history twister was cited as being "History with a bang."

AT THAT POINT I decided it would be better to get away from the larger theatres and

check the listings on some smaller neighborhood theatres. Surely here I would find some decent entertainment or at least something that I was legally allowed to see. Hidden in the middle of a great maze of large exciting advertisements was a theater whose name seemed to ring a bell. . . The Avon. The feature for the evening was "Merike to Protimoun Krio." In small print (I don't think it would be possible to get it smaller) were the words "Greek Films in Color." Finally I found a decent film (I am assuming this, as I don't speak Greek), and I don't understand it. I read on.

I found another plain uncluttered ad (they're a rarity you know), and found that the show opens at 1 p.m. The wheels turned. If it opens this early, it must mean that it's for kiddies too. I was sure I had found my movie. I quickly learned not to trust my own judgment for the features of the week were. . . (Are you ready for these?) "Ghost in an Invisible Bikini," and (Yes friends, there were two) "War Gods of the Deep."

BY THIS TIME I was ready to see anything, but I found my choices rather distasteful, "Venus in Furs," "Pussycat Paradise," "Mother Knows Best," "The Ugly Ones," "China Gate," "Treasure Island," (rated "G" believe it or not) "Dr. Frankenstein of Campus," "Fear of Love," "Relations," and last but not least "Frazier vs. Ali Fight Pictures."

Needless to say I didn't go to the show. I stayed home and watched T.V., but that's another story.

THERE IS ONE picture out now that sums up my feelings about the motion picture industry's recent releases though . . . **TRASH** . . . rated "X" . . . naturally.

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There has been much talk about all of the false fire alarms that we have been having very frequently.

WHEN YOU STAND outside in the ankle-high snow, you can hear people complaining. They say things like, "What kind of a creep would do something like this?" or "This sure is a creepy thing for someone to do," or even "I'd like to get my hands on the creep that did this creepy thing."

But, out of all of these complaints, it seems as though there are basically two questions at hand. First, is it really creepy to do a creepy thing like that? Second, if it really is creepy to do a creepy thing like that, then what can one do to stop such actions?

FOR THE FIRST question, as to the creepiness of the act, I have heard two basic viewpoints.

One psychologist said that "The true reason for all of these fire alarms is really quite obvious. It is simply a form of expression for someone who has true inner feelings and sincere beliefs about expressing his true inner beliefs."

YET, AN HONEST cook at our cafeteria took a different view. "I think it must have been the food," she said, as she was washing some pizzas.

Thus, it is difficult to tell how creepy something like this is,

at the slightest puff of or scent of smoke, they could begin to bark, or something.

If students wouldn't hear them at the first call of a fire alarm, the Security people could be trained to stop at each room

But there are two drawbacks to Plan-Barko. The Barking Security people would probably demand high wages, and the fire-alarm-pullers would think of some other way to start a creepy alarm.

all day. If someone tried to pull the alarm, the Security person would ferociously leap out of the bag, and barbarically attack the person who was pulling the alarm.

Not Quite So Simple!

by Howard Reich

if you like to listen to other people's opinions.

So let us move on to question two. What can we do to stop such actions? I have worked out some almost brilliant plans for this question.

THE FIRST IS called Plan-Barko. In this proposal the first thing to do would be to get rid of the fire alarm system altogether. That way you wouldn't have as many false alarms.

Instead, we could teach our Security people to watch out for fires. We could have one at every corner of the building. These people would get their noses especially trained so that

and growl.

If even that wouldn't get the students' attention, perhaps we could teach these Security people to come into the room and start biting someone's leg. This would probably get everyone's attention.

THIS PLAN SEEMS quite ideal. First of all, you would reduce the possibility of a false fire alarm. In addition to this, we'd finally put our Security people to work.

There is still another plan. I call it Plan-Security-Container. In this proposal, instead of teaching our Security people how to bark, we could teach them how to hide and be inconspicuous.

THAT'S RIGHT. It would all be very simple. You see, next to every fire alarm, you could have a moderately sized brown paper bag. The Security person would crouch inside of the bag in the morning, and hide there

WE COULD TEACH the Security person a bunch of very scary words, so that if someone were approaching the alarm, they would get scared and flee for their lives. Oriental words such as ya, haka, suki, .maki, haka-suki-maki, would probably do the trick.

This plan too is almost flawless — it gets Security people to work. But Plan Security Container isn't perfect because the false-fire-alarmist would still probably think of some creepy way to pull the alarm.

AND SO, IT seems, that neither of those first two questions about creepiness and how to stop the false alarms can be answered very easily.

It will take lots of effort, and ingenious suggestion, which are not flawless. Ideas anyone?

Student Analyzes Hilite

by Ed Lukatch

Once every two weeks, the door of Room 124 opens and out steps an old student clothed in tradition, with a few interesting garments. He goes from homeroom to homeroom with as much excitement as a lazy summer day. Criticisms:

PAGE ONE IS a good example of boring English and of a good idea gone bad. Idea: Niles East is an interesting place with many fun happenings. Fact: It is not interesting. Possible Conclusion: Niles East is not interesting, the writing is poor, it is written to an archaic formula (formulas are for babies) which says it must contain names, (give a friend a plug), times, no imagination, or I am asking for too much, such as well-written articles.

The inner pages are the best part of the newspaper. The letter column and some articles even provoke thought. But it is

disgusting how many holidays a year contains. Especially when the code of Mr. Nihilite is, we must be lying in ambush for those little imps with another wonderful (last year's reprint) holiday story. Yeech.

ISN'T IT WONDERFUL that the sports pages are so interesting? Isn't it wonderful that so many people get their names on the sports pages? Isn't it wonderful that every team in Niles East is looking forward to next year? Isn't it wonderful that grass is gray, and snow is silk, and black is brown, and isn't it wonderful that I can write such material without getting too upset? Perhaps it's time for Niles East to know some factual information about both teams of a meet.

Summary: Everyone knows the first and the last (sports) pages are only to keep the inside clean.



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1971 Is Pivotal Year For Durocher, Cub Stars

by Jeff Langer

Pray for Leo Durocher. If the Cubs don't win the National League pennant, or at least the Eastern Division title, this year, a large housecleaning can be expected after the season ends with Durocher among those who will leave.

CUBS NEED PENNANT

TWO CONSECUTIVE second place finishes in the National League East have left the Cubs in a difficult situation, because although they haven't won a pennant, the players' salaries are climbing. The Cubs' probable opening day lineup with estimates of their salaries, may show why a pennant is a necessity this year: Don Kessinger, SS — \$45,000; Glen Beckert, 2B — \$45,000; Billy Williams, LF — \$100,000; Jim Hickman, 1B — \$40,000; Joe Pepitone, CF — \$60,000; Ron Santo, 3B — \$90,000; John Callison, RF — \$55,000; Randy Hundley, C — \$50,000; Ferguson Jenkins, P — \$85,000. Add Ernie Banks (\$80,

000); Ken Holtzman, (\$70,000); Bill Hands, (\$50,000); and Milt Pappas, (\$40,000) and the total of \$765,000 in salaries makes the extra revenue a playoff participant receives very important to owner P. K. Wrigley.

If the Cubs don't win, some Chicago favorites will be traded. The same thing happened to the St. Louis Cardinals, whose front office had to trade such names as Curt Flood, and Tim McCarver when the salary bite became too large. The Cubs' stars are good, but it seems they always manage to weaken in the stretch run, and Mr. Wrigley can't afford too much more disappointment.

PIRATES, METS, CARDS CHALLENGE

THE CUBS' MAJOR competition figures to come from the Pittsburgh Pirates, last year's Eastern champs, the New York Mets, and perhaps the St. Louis Cardinals. The Pirates are a heavy-hitting team which is always tough to beat if the pitch-

ing comes through. Such young stars as Dave Cash, Richie Hebner, Al Oliver, Manny Sanguillen, and Bob Robertson join four-time National League batting leader Roberto Clemente and slugger Willie Stargell to form an awesome lineup for any pitching staff to face: Dock Ellis, Bob Moose, Steve Blass, Luke Walker, Dave Giusti, and Mudcat Grant can have reasonable successful years on the mound. The Pirates will be tough to beat.

The Mets depend on pitching and defense for most of their victories. Tom Seaver, Jerry Koosman, Gary Gentry, and Nolan Ryan lead one of baseball's best staffs, barring injury. The leading hitters are Tommie Agee, Cleon Jones, Art Shamsky, and Donn Clendenon.

The St. Louis Cardinals still have their two outstanding stars of the 1967 and 1968 World Series, Bob Gibson and Lou Brock. Joe Torre is consistently among the league leaders in batting and RBI. Ted Simmons, newly-arrived Ted Sizemore, and Jose Cardenal, will also help, but the loss of Richie Allen and his 101 RBI's will be a tough one to overcome. Gibson is joined on the mound by Steve Carlton, who must make an about-face if the Cardinals are to contend, and youngsters Jerry Reuss, Chick Taylor, Al Hrabowshy, and Sal Campisi. The youngsters must come through for the Cardinals to be successful.

PHILS, EXPOS OUTCLASSED

LITTLE CHANCE exists for the Philadelphia Phillies or the Montreal Expos to slip past the four established teams in the Eastern Division, but both are young, improving teams. A lapse by any of the teams picked to be in contention could

open the way for the Phils or the Expos.

CUBS STRONGEST ON PAPER

The Cubs are considered by most experts to be one of baseball's three or four best teams personnel-wise. Their problem is to conquer the feeling by many that they will never win a pennant as long as the cast remains the same. Even though Billy Williams, Jim Hickman, and Ron Santo combined for 358 RBI's and the Cubs scored five runs a game, their record was only 84-78. Many times when a clutch hit was needed, the Cubs couldn't manage one. The Cubs are solid throughout the lineup, and on paper are the strongest team in the Eastern Division.

INFIELD SOLID

THE INFIELD OF Santo, Kessinger, Beckert, and Hickman (or Ernie Banks) is sound defensively and offensively. Santo and Kessinger have few peers as glove men, but both must improve on last season's batting averages. Santo did drive in 114 runs and has been one of baseball's best run producers for the past 10 years and another 100 plus RBI season is needed from Ron if the Cubs are to win the pennant. Kessinger faces the prospect of losing his lead-off position to Rookie Jose Ortiz if he cannot become a more aggressive hitter.

Beckert is one of baseball's best hit-and-run men and one of the toughest to strike out. Hickman is a question mark because of his age (34 in May) and previous record, but since he received the chance to play regularly in the middle of the 1969 season, he has rarely failed to produce for the Cubs. Banks is 40 and may have to retire if he can no longer take the

strain of playing, but he is still one of baseball's best defenses first basemen and could serve the club well as a pinch hitter and late-inning defensive replacement.

WILLIAMS IS TEAM LEADER

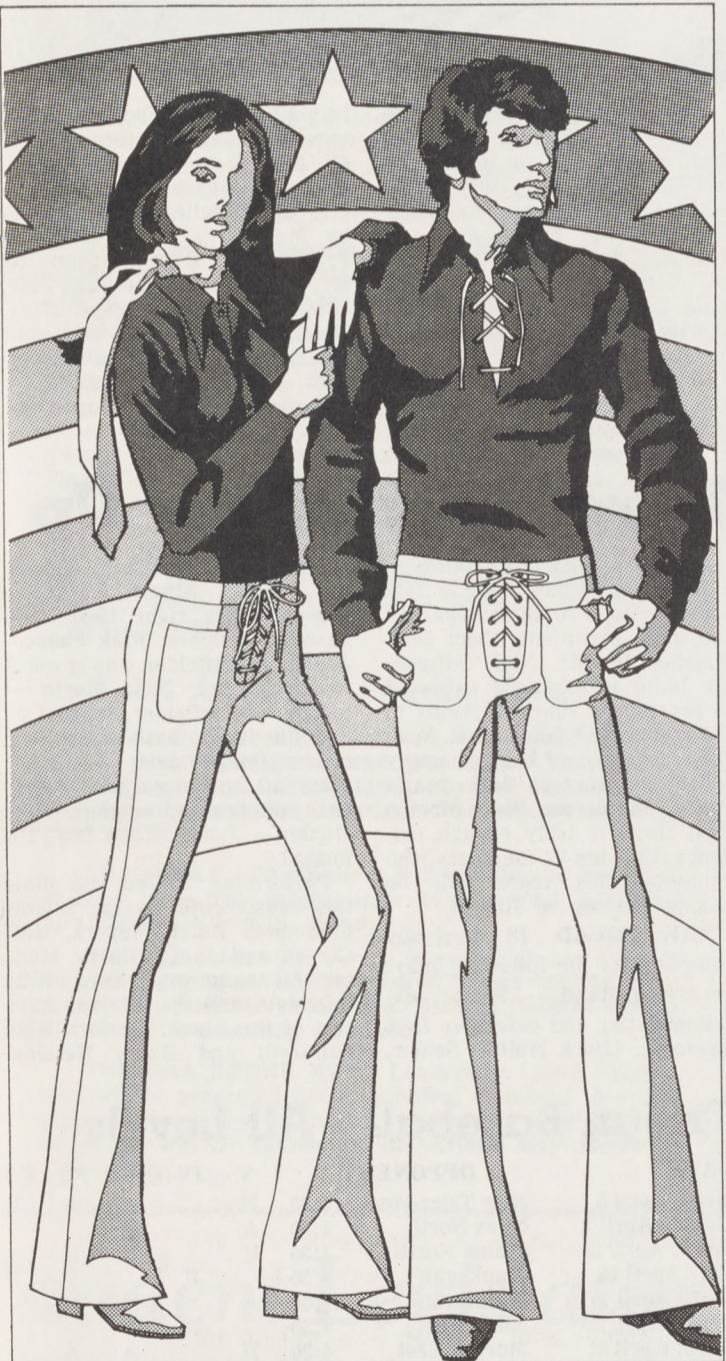
Billy Williams enjoyed a superlative 1970 season in which he led the Cubs in batting average (.322), homers (42), RBI (129), rits (205), and runs scored (137). He is recognized as one of the league's finest hitters and a repeat of last year's performance would be welcomed. Joe Pepitone came to the Cubs midway through last season and hit extremely well in Wrigley Field. If Hickman fails to hit regularly, Pepitone will be moved to first base, which could pose a problem in center field. However, Jose Ortiz has been a pleasant surprise so far in spring training, and if he can do the job offensively and defensively, that problem would be solved.

JOHN CALLISON will probably open the season in right field. He had his best year since 1965 last season, but may be platooned if Ortiz plays well. In that case, Ortiz would play center field, Pepitone, first base, and Callison and Hickman would be platooned in right field.

STARTING PITCHERS EXCEL

The pitching staff boasts a strong group of starting pitchers, including Ferguson Jenkins, Ken Holtzman, Bill Hands, and Milt Pappas. If all four can put together between 15 and 20 wins apiece, the Cubs will be in fine shape. Phil Regan, who had his troubles last year, and Roberto Rodriguez led the relievers. Youngsters Jim Colborn, Larry Guar, and Joe Decker figure to stick as spot starters or long relievers, a position which Juan Pizarro also may be able to fill. Pizarro pitched well in the winter leagues, and if he can regain the form which brought him success with the White Sox in the early and mid-1960's, the pitching staff would receive a big lift.

THE CUBS HAVE their share of "ifs" but the other contenders have enough to keep them busy this year. The 1971 season is a pivoted one for the Cubs and Leo Durocher. The time was never better for a pennant for the North Siders, and let's hope, for Leo's sake that this is the Cubs' year.



Fencers Finish Fifth

The Niles East Varsity Fencing Team ended its regular season by defeating Marshall by only two touches. Both teams won nine bouts. The highlight of the meet came when Sophomore Greg Theis defeated the 1970 second place state champion. Niles East has only defeated Marshall in 4 out of 17 meetings. This gave the team a great boost to go to the State Fencing Tournament.

LAST FRIDAY the team traveled to the University of Illinois to compete in the State Tournament. Twelve schools fielding 72 fencers were entered. The first preliminary round elevated five of East's fencers to the second round. Sophomore Phil Spitz found himself fencing the State Champion as well as two other competitors who made it to the semifinals. Phil won one bout. Results of this round: Phil Spitz 1-4, Greg Theis 3-2, Mike Winter 2-3, Lonny Fleischer 4-1, Scott Blanke 3-2, Rich Waysdorf 3-2. East was fourth in team standings at the end of this round.

The second round found the last two Niles sophomores in trouble. Both Greg Theis and Mike Winter tied for third place (which would move them into the next round), but they were determined to be out as a result of a won-lost ratio. Rich Waysdorf, Scott Blanke, and Lonny Fleischer rolled on by winning three and losing two. The team points ranked East second.

ELECTRIC WEAPONS and equipment were used beginning in the quarter finals. The two previous rounds were judged visually by using a jury of four fencers. Scott Blanke tied with

two other competitors for third place, but he was determined to rank fifth as a result of his won-loss record. Lonny Fleischer also tied for third, but he was tied with three other fencers. He was also dealt out. Rich Waysdorf moved on to the semifinals by placing third with a 3-2 record. This round ended with East dropping to third in team scores.

Captain Rich Waysdorf was unable to perform well enough to fight out of this round. Rich received one win as a result of a forfeit due to a fencer having to leave the competition, and he defeated one of Main South's finalists. This round placed Rich out of the tournament, but he is ranked seventh in the State of Illinois. With Rich out the Trojans couldn't gather any more team points. After this round East was in fourth place, but at the end of the final round East's team was fifth in State.

MARSHALL AND Glenwood tied for second place and a fence off was fenced between the best fencer from each school.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS: INDIVIDUALS

- 1st—Dave Littell (Maine South)
- 2nd—Arnold McMann (Glenwood)
- 3rd—Andre Mayberry (Marshall)
- 4th—Paul Quiniff (Notre Dame)
- 5th—Bob Young (Maine South)
- 6th—Mike Ytterberg (Glenwood)

TEAMS

1st—Maine South	78
2nd—Marshall	46
3rd—Glenwood	45
4th—Notre Dame	39
5th—Niles East	38
6th—New Berlin	34
6th—Pleasant Plains	34
7th—New Trier East	29
8th—Niles West	21
9th—Dixon	19
10th—New Trier West	13
11th—Champaign Centennial	10

Gymnasts End Year

Dave Apple placed ninth in free exercise at the State Gymnastics Championship at Addison Trail High School last weekend to lead the three Trojans participating in the meet. Dave Cech in all-around and Ken Schiffman on the parallel bars both placed among the top fifteen competitors in their events, but didn't qualify for the finals.

SEVEN TROJANS entered the sectional meet held at Elk Grove High School, March 4-6, with high hopes, but only Dave Apple, Dave Cech, and Ken Schiffman attained the high level of skill needed to advance to the state meet. However, in order to qualify for the finals, a finish among the top ten was required in the preliminaries, and only Dave Apple advanced to the finals. Dave Cech and Ken Schiffman also received points for finishing among the first twenty.

With some outstanding sophomores joining several talented juniors, the outlook for the future is bright at Niles East.

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Heiniger Tells Move

With sagging athletic fortunes, low enrollment, and measurable distance from competition being the criteria, Niles East has made a request to leave the Suburban League by September of 1971. In a recent interview with area press, Athletic Director James Heiniger said the school has informed the Inter-suburban Association that it wants to be in a new league when the association realigns suburban athletic conferences for 1972. (The appeal was made last September). Said Heiniger, "We want to be in a league with schools closer to us in size and location." With a present enrollment of 2,300, East is the smallest school in the Suburban League. Five of the league's eight schools have student populations in excess of 4,000. Heiniger believes opposition as large as 3,300 is within reason.

SIZE, HOWEVER, is not the only difficulty, the Suburban League is the most dispersed conference geographically. It extends from southbound Cicero

to as far north as Waukegan. "It's a long haul all the way to Morton East or Waukegan," Heiniger stated. "To travel during the week we have to release kids from school early." From all indications, Niles East might possibly hinge on to the Central Suburban League. It is this conference which presently houses sister schools Niles West and North. With the Trojans competing against their home town rivals greater interest would be inevitable. Other schools in this parley include Deerfield, enrollment 2,500; Glenbrook North, enrollment 2,256, Northbrook; Glenbrook South, enrollment 2,350, Glenview; Maine West, enrollment 3,550, Des Plaines; Maine South, enrollment 3,450, Park Ridge; Maine North, enrollment 2,900, Des Plaines; New Trier West, enrollment 2,700, Northfield.

Thus, are the teams in the Central Suburban League to date; however, possible realignment might alter it. Whatever the outcome Niles East, an original member of the oldest suburban conference in this region may be saying its final goodbys.

Spring Has Sprung East In '71



A Sporting Look

Is A New Stadium The Answer?

by Norwin Merens



WHITE SOX PARK
(Courtesy of Chicago AL Ball Club)



SOLDIER FIELD
(Courtesy of Chicago Park District)



WRIGLEY FIELD
(Courtesy of Chicago NL Ball Club)

Does Chicago need a new sports stadium? Can the city afford to build a multi-million project for its professional baseball and football teams? These questions are among many that concerned citizens are asking, as the stadium becomes an important issue. Some 19 other cities with professional teams have either built or are constructing stadiums.

HAS THE CITY fallen behind? Or are Wrigley Field, White Sox Park and Soldier Field still suitable with some rehabilitation to the plant and surroundings? Financing, designing, domed, open dome, turf, tartan or astro turf? All of these details are problems planners of stadiums must encounter. The troubles connected with labor strikes and other costs boosted the total cost of one project from \$28 million to \$46 million. The 1965 report to Mayor Daley by the Citizens Stadium Committee, called for a stadium on one of three sites in Chicago with a cost ranging from \$34.95 to \$49.5 million. One authority on stadium construction, now says the cost would be close to \$75 million! In many ways the taxpayer can benefit from a sports complex, without having to pay for it through higher taxes. Stadiums have revamped entire sections of cities — Cincinnati, St. Louis; while others have actually become landmarks to visitors: Houston, New York.

Can Chicago do it? **WHITE SOX PARK** was erected in 1910 at a value of one million dollars. Wrigley Field constructed at \$400,000 for a Federal League franchise was purchased by the Cubs for \$1,000,000 in 1915. Soldier Field was assembled in the 1920's and has seen continual rehabilitation. How can the rising costs be handled? Can the city afford both a stadium and other services it must render? And can Chicago live up to this Citizens Stadium Committee conclusion: "If the people of the community determine that a sports facility is proper and feasible . . . and if Chicago team owners are willing to commit themselves . . . then a sports stadium in Chicago is certainly a feasible project."

With spring just around the corner, the Nilehilita Sports Staff would like to inform interested students that new athletic activities are underway and their participation is welcome. The Golf team, under the direction of Mr. Jerry Oswald will begin their campaign shortly. Tennis will be racketed by Mr. Ed Ernst this year. The baseball team already has begun full scale training in the indoor track with five different

levels of competition. The varsity squad will be coached by Mr. Nick Odlivak, with a junior varsity team headed by Mr. Ed Pugliese, sophomores by Mr. Jerry Richardson and Frosh A & B contingents by Mr. Bernie Greene and Mr. Emil Capitani respectively. Track and Field will also shift outside when the weather permits. Opportunity knocks — however one has to open the door.

Troy Nine: Batter Up

After a second place finish in a tough Suburban League last season, the Trojan baseballers are quite optimistic about 1971. Coached by Mr. Nick Odlivak, the team is certainly expected to provide its share of thrills to the students of Niles East. With the recognition of being the only school to shutout last year's state champions — Morton East there is truly enough evidence, that the 27 members who comprise this team will be among the top in Illinois.

THE SQUAD IS basically composed of the following players: **Rob Rand** — Senior, excellent hitter and defensive first baseman. **Chuck Wolf** — Senior,

performs at shortstop and on the mound. **Stuart Karge** — Senior, plays right field, first base and pitches. **Rick Shane** — Junior, a leftfielder who is quick on the bases. **Mike Korta** — Senior, centerfielder, termed an "outstanding" baserunner and hitter. **Doug Dasse** — Junior, plays at the hot corner — third base, pitches and catches. **Mike Duxler** — Junior, hurls from the mound.

Performing behind the plate this season will be the talents of Seniors Butch Meyers, Rick Cleven and Junior Barry Meister. All teams must have utility infielders and the Trojans have two of the finest: Seniors Mike Saltarelli and Barry Hessing.

Trojan Baseball — All Levels

DATE	OPPONENT	V	JV	S	FA	FB
Mon., April 5	New Trier West	4:30	H	A	A	H
Thurs., April 8	Niles North	1:00	A	H		
Tues., April 13	Maine North	4:30	H	H	H	
Fri., April 16	Waukegan	4:30		H		H
*Sat., April 17	Waukegan	11:00	A	H	H	
Tues., April 20	Niles West	4:30		H		
Wed., April 21	Morton East	4:30	H	A	A	
Thurs., April 22	New Trier East	4:30		H		H
*Sat., April 24	New Trier East	11:00	H	A	A	
Tues., April 27	Proviso East	4:30		A		A
Wed., April 28	Proviso East	4:30	A	H	H	A
Thurs., April 29	Evanston	4:30		H		H
Fri., April 30	Oak Park	4:30	H	A	A	H
Tues., May 4	Niles West	4:30		A		
Wed., May 5	Morton East	4:30	A	H	H	
Thurs., May 6	New Trier East	4:30		A		A
*Sat., May 8	Evanston	11:00		A	A	
Mon. & Wed., May 10, 12	—STATE DISTRICT					
Fri., May 14	Proviso East	4:30	H	A	A	H
Sat., May 15	Evanston	11:00		A		A
Mon. & Wed., May 17, 19	—STATE REGIONAL					
Wed., May 19	Highland Park	4:30		H		H
Thurs., May 20	Oak Park	4:30	A	H	H	
Fri., May 21	Oak Park	4:30		H		H
*Sat., May 22	Highland Park	11:00	A	H	H	A
Mon. & Wed., May 24, 26	—STATE SECTIONAL					
Wed., May 26	Evanston	4:30	H			
Thurs., May 27	Evanston	4:30	A			
Thurs. & Fri., June 3-4	—STATE FINALS					

*Indicates double header