

# NILEHILITE

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## 'Auntie Mame' Bows Tonight



by Sam Yanes

TWO FRESHMEN will have leads in a school play for the first time in East's history when "Auntie Mame" is presented tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. in the auditorium.

The two are Terri Friedlander and Steve Myerson. They head a cast of 45, largest in East's history.

### Adventures Form Plot

Terri (pictured at left) portrays the sparkling, vivacious, scatter-brained Auntie Mame, whose mad-cap adventures form the plot of the Patrick Dennis comedy.

Although Auntie Mame is the biggest role she has ever portrayed, Terri is not a novice at acting. She

has previously worked for more than a year with an amateur acting group, the Tom Thumb Players, and she hopes to make acting her career.

### Plays Mame's Nephew

In the role of Patrick Dennis as a boy, the troublesome nephew of Auntie Mame, is Steve Myerson.

Unlike Terri, Steve has had no real acting experience before his role in the fall play, and he vows this part won't be his last.

### The cast:

Auntie Mame	Terri Friedlander, '67
Beauregard Burnside	Mike Pavlo, '64
Lindsey Woolsey	Robert Siegel, '66
Young Patrick	Steve Myerson, '67
Vera Charles	Bonnie Sussman, '65
Brian O'Banion	Warren Muskatt, '65
Agnes Gooch	Lisa Schatz, '66
Patrick as a man	Bob Ruttenberg, '64
Sally Cato MacDougal	

	Robin Richman, '65
Babcock	Fred Reiner, '64
Mother Burnside	Linda Powell, '65
Nora Muldoon	Wendy Arbit, '64
Ito	Mitch Cohen, '64
Gloria Upson	Linda Stocker, '65
Ralph Devine	Jay Reese, '66
Claude Upson	Steve Winston, '64
Doris Upson	Sheila Bloom, '64
Loomis	Perry Tasky, '64
Emory	Lee Cohen, '66
Pegeen	Peggy Rosenbaum, '65
Jeff	Greg Rabin, '66
Cousin Fan	Julie Rachelson, '65
Maid	Donna Orbach, '65
Butler	Dick Grant, '64
Stage Manager	Al Titlebaum, '65
Lord Dudley	Craig Weitzman, '66
Customer	Aileen Hirsch, '64
Customer's Daughter	Iris Gross, '66
Doc Shurr	Mitch Klein, '66
Moultrie	Karen Engstrom, '66

## School Carnival, Graduation Planned by Senior Cabinet

PANIC '64 and graduation are current projects of Senior Cabinet. booth; and Bert Hall and Bob Shearn, clean up.

Panic '64, the all-school carnival, will be held March 21, 1964, in the girls' gym. All East clubs and organizations will be invited to operate booths at the carnival.

Fred Rubin is the chairman of Panic '64. In other leadership positions are Co-Chairman Sue Corey and Secretary Betty Levin.

### Choose Panic Leaders

The recently chosen committee chairmen include Judy Garro, refreshments; Murray Sherman, publicity; Bill Chapman, Senior Cabinet booth; Janis Vedder, tickets at the door; Judy Brickman, ticket

## Frosh, Soph Cabinets Sell Pennants, Beanies

PENNANTS and beanies will be the newest fads at Niles, Freshman and Sophomore Cabinets hope.

The pennants of Freshman Cabinet will be sold in December to the entire school with profits going toward the Cabinet's future class prom.

Sophomore Cabinet is raising money for next year's prom as it sells blue and gold beanies to the school this week. The caps, which are being sold for 40 cents, have a large "N" decorating the front of the beanie. "Button up your beanie" is the motto for Beanie Week, according to Miss Margaret White, Freshman Cabinet advisor.

## Council Breakfast Awakens Fund Drive

KICKING OFF the 1963-'64 United Fund Drive at Niles East is the all-school breakfast. The money-raising event will be held November 27.

"The Student Council-sponsored meal will be served from 7:30 to 8:15 in the cafeteria," said Council Vice-President Scott DuBoff. "It will feature such breakfast favorites as doughnuts, cookies, orange juice, and milk.

"The breakfast is one of the various Council projects that will be used this year in trying to eliminate homeroom collections and still meet a \$1 per student quota," Scott concluded.

According to Mr. O. T. Hendrickson, faculty sponsor of Senior Cabinet, "East is one of the few schools where seniors plan and work on their graduation."

The Senior Cabinet Graduation Committee chairmen include Fred Levy, speakers; Marilyn Beilen, announcements; Diane Krause, decorations; Irene Silverman, class gift; and Barb Fisher, class picnic.

### Other Chairmen Listed

Other chairmen include Bob Shearn and Bert Hall, class will; Janis Ferber, caps and gowns; Daryl Deutchman, breakfast; Steve Silverman, breakfast program; Les Salberg, graduation program; and Dave Klehr, staging and rehearsal.

THE CABINET also has announced that there will be a dance after tonight's East-West basketball game immediately following the contest at West Division.

"Senior Cabinet," says Mr. Hendrickson, "is responsible for all Senior Class activities beginning with Homecoming and culminating with Senior Week and graduation."

## East Music Department Plans Winter Festival

HEBREW, Greek, and Spanish songs presented by Niles East's Concert Choir will be featured at this year's Winter Festival given by the Music Department.

"December, A Joyous Month for All" will be presented Sunday, December 15, at 3:30 p.m. in the auditorium, according to Mr. Earle Auge of the Music Department. Admission to the concert is free.

Girls' Glee, Mixed Chorus, and the Lorelei singers will present vocal selections, and the orchestra will provide the instrumental part of the program.

## Low Yearbook Sales Stifle Plans

"VERY DISAPPOINTING" is the result of the recent yearbook subscription drive, say the editors of Reflections.

"We anticipated a sale of about 1800 books," relate co-editors Helene Levin and Merle Jacob, "but the sales total of the week-long drive was short of our expectations."

Only 241 books were purchased



IN THE ARMS of Bob Ruttenberg (who will play Patrick, the man, tonight) is Peggy Rosenbaum, who portrays Pegeen in "Auntie Mame."

## Reveal How Junior Secured Chad Mitchell Trio Concert

WHEN THE Chad Mitchell Trio performs at East November 27, Junior Laurie Baron will sit back and enjoy "his" concert.

Elected head of a Junior Cabinet Committee to choose a folk singing group for East, Laurie canvassed entertainment agencies and selected five possibilities: the Gateway Singers, Bud and Travis, the New Christy Minstrels, the Limelitters, and the Chad Mitchell Trio.

### Vote Narrows Choices

A vote in junior homerooms narrowed this group down to three possibilities: the New Christy Minstrels, the Limelitters, and the Chad Mitchell Trio. The first two were eliminated, and an option was taken on a contract with the Chad Mitchell group.

According to the option, East had to raise half the total cost of the concert by November 1. However, the entire sum was raised by October 26, and the contract was

during the drive, bringing the total sales to 1,668 books. The first 1,427 books were sold at the beginning of the semester on student fee cards.

Because of the poor results of the sale, the editors maintain, some color pictures and "unusual" special supplements will have to be cut from the yearbook. The book will be distributed in May.

## Northi's Colors, Mascot Selected

PURPLE and white are the colors of new Niles North High School, and the Vikings was chosen as the mascot name, announces Dr. Donald Strahan, Northi principal.

The colors and mascot were selected at a simultaneous vote held Monday at East and West Divisions. Underclassmen who will attend North in September, 1964, chose purple and white over green and white and red and gold.

The other mascot possibilities were Eagles, Highlanders, and Lancers.

The vote totals from both schools were: purple and white: 522; green and white: 473; and red and gold: 249. Mascot votes were Vikings: 802; Lancers: 203; Highlanders: 126; and Eagles: 122.

signed two days later.

### Sponsor Sees Success

The concert at East will be the trio's first performance in the Chicago area in about two months, according to Mr. William Meles, Junior Cabinet sponsor.

"I expect this concert to be a great success," he said. "The Chad Mitchell Trio is one of the best and most popular folk singing groups in the country."

## 26 Attend Science Talks Tomorrow

TWENTY-SIX Nilehi science students will attend a series of lectures in nuclear and space science tomorrow at Evanston Township High School.

These lectures, which are delivered by University of Michigan faculty members, will include such topics as "Nuclear Energy in the Space Age," "Why Go to the Moon—Aerospace Technology and You," and "Materials—the New Frontier of Modern Technology."

Students attending the series are Seniors Mark Swirsky and Marc Simmons; Junior Ralph Stern; Sophomores Dave Channon, Larry Larson, Vic Elias, David Weiner, Gregory Arenson, Jeff Gale, Greg Ostrom, Marshall Grossman, James Heller, Harold Levine, Sharon Finley, Don Lubowich, Ruth Waldfogel, Martin Rukin, Lynn



REPRIMANDING Bob Siegel in a scene from "Auntie Mame" is Fred Reiner (right).

## Seniors Triumph, Fall On 'It's Academic' Show

STEIN, James Gallai, Mike Feldman, and Richard Gershenzon; and Freshmen Saul Rosenthal, Paul Weiskopf, Alan Rosenfeld, Lee Prince, and Mark Kassof.

### Seniors Triumph, Fall On 'It's Academic' Show

EAST'S "It's Academic" team won its first match when the NBC Television show was taped Saturday.

But the Niles representatives, Seniors Paula Rest, Stewart Spies, and Mark Lieberman, lost their second contest on the quiz show Sunday.

East's winning competition, when the seniors defeated teams from Rich Township and Libertyville High Schools, will be televised on WNBQ-TV, January 4, at 6 p.m. The second match will be televised January 18.



Forum

# Reflections on Yearbook

HOW TO SELL more yearbooks is a problem the Nilehi Reflections staff faces each year. This year, as in previous years, yearbook sales have been disappointingly low, so low, in fact, that the editors must delete much of their special material, give incomplete coverage to school organizations, and smother many of their new-born ideas to compensate for lack of funds.

Moreover, the yearbook staff cannot increase subscriptions until it realizes fully the problem that stifles sales each year.

THE PROBLEM is two-fold. First is the atmosphere of East, which is permeated with sales and drives. It is impossible for a student to pass through a week without being solicited for tickets, bids, buttons, pens, donations, decals or what not. The projects to "support the school" devour huge proportions of a teen-ager's spending money.

The second part of Reflections' low sales problem is the book's forbidding price of \$5.50, which must be paid in full at the time an order is placed. This compounds an already difficult situation.

The answer to the problem is to make it easier for students to purchase the book. Our plan is to let a student make a down payment of \$1 during a one-week subscription drive with the agreement that he will pay the total \$5.50 over a three or four month period.

THE SALE should be done by homerooms. Weekly visits to all homerooms by yearbook staff members will make it convenient for students to pay a few cents a week toward the purchase of their books.

We believe that the yearbook staff will continue to have "disappointing" sales until its members revise their subscription procedures. The extension of credit will make it easier for students to purchase the yearbook and will create significant gains in total sales.

Letters to the Editor

## Alternates Answered

DEAR EDITOR:

ACCORDING to a letter of November 8, 1963, Senior Cabinet alternates had been slighted by not

## Career Seminars Prove Successful; Speakers Pleased

"THE CAREER SEMINARS have provided an excellent opportunity to inform students about occupations which may interest them," stated Guidance Counselor Richard Matthies while discussing the success of the seminars.

These meetings are held every Tuesday during all fourth and fifth hour half periods in the assembly room.

"The students attending these programs seem to be sincerely interested in the vocations," continued Mr. Matthies. "The speakers, also, have expressed appreciation for the opportunity to speak."

SEMINARS SCHEDULED in the upcoming month are: Drafting, November 26; Air Transportation Service, December 3; Dentistry, December 10; and Nursing, December 17.



**CONGRATULATING HONOR** winners is Dr. Clyde Parker, superintendent of schools, at Nilehi's Fall Awards Assembly last Friday. Both scholastic and athletic achievements were recognized.

having their picture taken for Reflections '64.

We regret that we cannot photograph all members of all cabinets, and we realize that alternates are of definite value. Because Niles East has an enrollment of 2900 students, the yearbook must also become larger in order to include at least one photograph of every student.

Added pages mean publication will be more expensive, and unless student support increases, pictorial recognition of many important students must be excluded.

Thank you,  
Helene Levin,  
Merle Jacob,  
Co-editors, Reflections '64

# What Is a Corridor? It's Life, It's Death, at East

by Rick Felt  
English 71

WHAT IS A CORRIDOR? Ask any student; he'll tell you, "A corridor is a pathway through a building with rooms on either side." Ask Webster; he'll tell you a corridor is "a passage, usually covered; especially, one, as in a hotel, into which rooms, etc., open."

These are characteristics of a corridor. But "corridor" is also connotative. As pertains to a school, it has other deeper characteristics, though they may be harder to see and describe.

A corridor is chaos. Hustling, bustling, shuffling, laughing, whispering, crying, giggling, shouting, smelling, slamming, smiling — this is a corridor. It is a six-minute merging place for 2900 people.

Gossip —

"Guess what Joe did yesterday?"  
"Are you going tonight? Who's driving?"

"What a test! I flunked for sure!"

A corridor is a living thing. Like a vast chain of arteries and veins, it spreads to all parts of the school body. Students rush and flow, like blood, through the veins and arteries, to their cells, their rooms. Feet thump, like a heart.

A corridor is a friend. It relieves the pressures of the preceding class and prepares for the following class. It can be an escape route for the mind, one of the few places where solitude can be achieved in

the midst of a multitude.

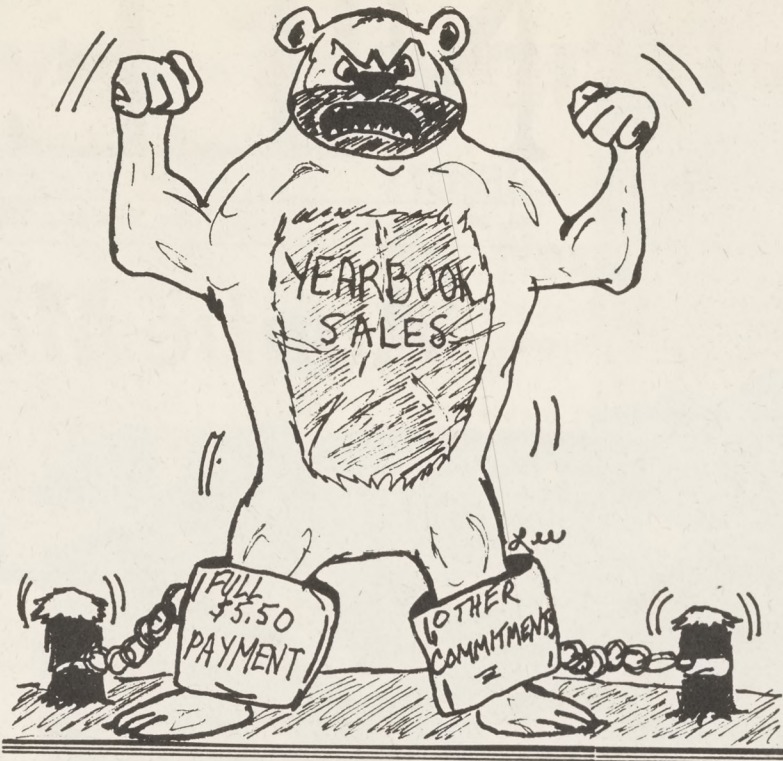
A student can prod along, thinking, oblivious to the conversation and bustle around him. Yet, a corridor is a gathering place of friends, ideas, sights, and sounds.

A corridor is a foe — the end of an interesting discussion or an exam not quite completed. The difference between being early and late to class is a corridor. A seemingly endless stretch of linoleum and stairs is a corridor, winding, twisting, and climbing.

The way to hated class is a corridor.

A corridor can be dead. Without the hustling, bustling, shuffling, laughing, whispering, crying, giggling, shouting, smelling, slamming and smiling, a corridor is like a body without a soul, an empty shell. Without "blood" and "nourishment," life cannot exist.

A corridor is then reduced to a mere stretch of rooms, stairs, and tile. Then, and only then, can Webster's definition be accepted as complete — for at all other times a corridor is life . . .



# Remarcs... by Marc Zwelling

LAY READERS, those extra-curricular critics of student English themes, I have found, have a language all their own. It's not a complicated jargon, although most of the lay readers' writings are abbreviated.

For example, when a lay reader scribbles "frag" on your composition, he means your theme is "fragrant." Or expressed another way, your paper smells.

Another common abbreviation lay readers use is "NC," or "not clear." Or phrased another way, on your next theme please print.

"REF" IS a serious comment indeed to have a lay reader write on your paper. "Ref," or "I 'refuse' to read any more of this!" connotes the reader's feelings that "Oh! This is terrible! How can students do this?" And go directly to jail, do not pass Go and do not collect \$200! Sheesh.

Sometimes you may find "tense" written on your themes. This means you were too tense when you wrote your paper. The lay reader is telling you to relax, take it easy, walk right in, sit right down, baby let your hair hang down.

A "gross error" is often indicated by lay readers. A gross, as you may know, is 12 dozen. When a lay reader says you have committed a "gross error," he means that for the 144th time you have a "frag" paper. (But maybe you were just "tense.")

Have you ever seen "awk" on your compositions? "Awk" is the sound a large bird makes. Your lay reader is telling you your paper is ("awk!" "awk!") for the birds.

LAY READERS sometimes give their opinions of your writing with a bold "agr." "Agr" is actually a composite of many errors. It means your theme is "aggravating" because it is frag, tense, and awk! awk!

Finally, a lay reader may write "punc" on your paper. Don't be dismayed; he is giving you credit for at least handing your paper in on time and being "punctual."

AND I, too, will end on time, or risk developing what my lay reader calls "WC" — writer's cramp.

# SOS Making Self-Analysis

What should an SSO member represent?

To answer this question, Nilehi's Student Service Organization is currently undergoing a rigid self-examination.

The first phase of this self-examination is November Monitor Service Month, which is a study of SSO's hall monitor system. The procedures of this study of monitors and any subsequent changes will be the basis for examinations of other SSO departments in later months.

"SSO IS taking a look at itself," says its faculty supervisor, Mr. Ted Beranis. "We believe that SSO, or for that matter, any organization, must know its purposes before it can expect to do a good job.

"The emphasis in this study," he stresses, "is on the abstract question 'What should an SSO member represent?' SSO is trying to answer this question by defining its purposes and making any necessary improvements in its departments to reach its determined goals."

ACCORDING TO Mr. Beranis, SSO will test the reaction of students and teachers to the 12-year-old service organization on a forthcoming semester survey.

## Collegiate News

UP TO 50 monetary and honorary scholarships are being offered through DePaul University's annual competitive examination to be administered on December 14 at 8:45 a.m. in the Frank J. Lewis Center, 25 E. Jackson Blvd.

The honorary awards include a \$100 stipend, while the monetary scholarships, dependent on students' financial needs, range from full-tuition of \$3,672 for a four-year renewable grant. Further information may be obtained in the Guidance Office.

A REPRESENTATIVE from DePaul University will visit Nilehi on December 4. Other college spokesmen that will be here during the next month include:

Monday, Nov. 25—Roosevelt University (Chicago, Ill.), Lawrence College (Appleton, Wisc.), Ithaca College (Ithaca, N.Y.).

Tuesday, Dec. 3—Luther College (Decorah, Ia.).

Wednesday, Dec. 4—DePaul University (Chicago, Ill.), Bowdoin College (Brunswick, Me.).

Thursday, Dec. 5—University of Illinois (Urbana, Ill.).

Friday, Dec. 6—Tulane University (New Orleans, La.).

Monday, Dec. 9—Drake University (Des Moines, Ia.).

Wednesday, Dec. 11—Carnegie Institute of Technology (Pittsburgh, Pa.).

Thursday, Dec. 12—University of Illinois (Navy Pier).

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# Anxieties of a TV Debut

by Stewart Spies  
English 71

SLOWLY THE ELEVATOR operator brought his car to a stop at the 19th floor of the Merchandise Mart. The doors opened, and Paula, Mark, and I stepped into the hall. Moments later we were joined by our stomachs . . .

A large sign with the words "It's Academic" and an arrow pointed the way to the reception lobby. We sat down on the long black cushions and eyed our opponents seated across the room. The entire room had become a psychological battleground.

### Psychological Tricks Revealed

Mark and I had on our eye-blinding, psyche-out jackets (red and royal blue, respectively). We made a special point of talking louder than anyone else in the room.

Anyone short of Perry Mason and within hearing range (which extended to the 13th floor) could hardly have helped being convinced that the Niles squad was in all the way. While our opponents strained over their pocket quiz books, we made fun of numerous faculty members (names withheld).

### Make-up 'Ordeal' Unpleasant

From the lobby we were led to the make-up room. Paula had little objection to the ordeal, but Mark and I received the prospects of being powdered with less geniality.

Afterwards my face felt like Death Valley, and I expected it to crack open at the nose at any minute. Mark and I went for a drink at the fountain, and tsk tsk, our make-up ran.

Anyway, we were told not to wander, because the warm-up round was about to start. We were the last team to report to the studio and take our places . . . We were mentally prepared and ready to pay the price. The rest is history . . . (with a little science, math, and some general knowledge).

## On Stage or Off—Drama For Wendy

"LUCKY 13" and anything goes for Senior Wendy Arbit. Born on Friday the 13th, Wendy claims she doesn't have to study for tests given the 13th of each month.

As a junior, she student directed "You Can't Take It With You," "Reflections," and "Teahouse of the August Moon."

**Senior Center** This year, however, Wendy "preferred the challenge of becoming another character" and portrays Nora Muldoon, an Irish housekeeper, in "Auntie Mame."

To help realize her ambition, Wendy plans to attend Goodman Theater, where her junior year will bring a choice between acting and directing.

"I don't want to be a 'star,' she explained. "Hollywood has plenty



Wendy Arbit and King

of 'stars.' I want to be a good 'actress.'"

Active in B.B.G., Drama Workshop, and Spotlighters, Wendy is also a student council alternate and chairman of Parade Panorama for Homecoming. Because she is "constantly running," her friends compare her to a clock.

"I GET little sleep and become temperamental when people shirk their jobs, and I get stuck doing them. But I love it," Wendy said in reference to her work on Nilehi productions.

She also loves her horse, King, and spends hours at the stable.

"King is always nosing me for carrots and sugar, and I'm forever sewing up holes in my pockets," the equestrienne sighed happily.

WENDY THINKS people should be more uninhibited. She adopted the outlook this summer while attending Northwestern's School of Speech.

Auntie Mame philosophizes in the play, and one of her lines sums up Wendy's ideas about inhibitions.

"Life is a banquet," she quoted, "but most poor slob is starving to death."

## Lights, Camera, Plenty of Action . . .

# Drama Enthusiasts Prepare for 'Auntie Mame'

BUSY SEWING pictures onto walls, building miniature living rooms, and decorating sets in three different colors are the students of Drama Workshop.

Each seventh period, amid splashes of paint, vells for hammers, ladders, and brushes, and samplings of various make-up, the group prepares for the production of "Auntie Mame."

At the beginning of each period the girls, afraid of the messy paint, make-up, and dirt, change into slacks and old blouses.

"Although we do change clothes and we do get dirty — just like in gym, at least we don't have to take showers," commented Senior Lonnie Gerstein with relief.

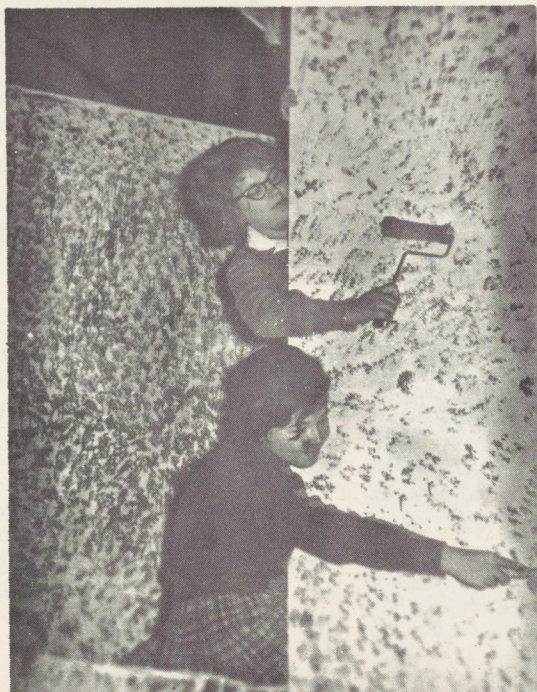
### 'Doll-size' Stage Built First

Before work on the play began, the workshop built a miniature stage for Sponsor Alvin Schwartz to work with. Then the group devised a three-in-one setting.

"Because Auntie Mame keeps redecorating, the walls change from orchid to red velveteen and then to green velveteen," explained Senior Steve Gross.

The pictures and ornaments must be sewn to the walls, so that when Auntie Mame decides to beautify the house, everything can be changed," Lonnie added.

When a play was produced prior to this year, students gave up their study halls to work on the



DABBLING in the arts during seventh period Drama Workshop are Sophomores Geri Ahonen (top) and Pat Kovas.



# What Do Turkeys Gobble?

THANKSGIVING is rolling around and one's mind naturally turns to the turkey. "What would you like to find stuffed in your turkey?"

Many students had the same idea as did Jim Burger, senior, who chose "a luscious blonde with blue eyes."

### Desires Cute Tutor

Not to be outdone, the girls countered with Junior Helen Graffman's request for a "cute German tutor." Senior Stu Schwartz summed it up with a brief "36-24-34."

Nilehi's athletic teams received support in the "hoping depart-

ment" from Sophomore Dave Shannon, who would like to find "a gymnastics state championship." Senior Bert Hall will search his fowl for "a big basketball win over West."

Several groups got into the act. The boys of Room 317 requested that "the cute hall monitor outside the room during 5A" be stuffed in their turkey.

Miss Jackson's first period English Literature class hopes to find Senior "Martin Dennis speaking on Bacon." The "N" Club initiates are wishing for "more fragrant onions."

Several obvious answers to the stuffing question were offered. Keith Chrastka, sophomore, took the prize with his innocent wish for "the dressing."

Sophomore Bob Block kept up the holiday spirit by demanding "a dead pilgrim." Senior Mike Elbaum will look for "an authentic rusty blunderbuss."

### Academic Help Needed

Several students were "hungry" for a solution to school problems. Joan Chajnowski, sophomore, wants "a passing grade in German." Senior Jay Adair will check his bird for the "1000 word descriptive paper due December 2."

Freshman Rick Thomas is anticipating a large Thanksgiving fowl, since he hopes to find "a '32 Ford coupe." Senior Fred Rubin's automotive "appetite" isn't as large, and thus he is hoping only for a new engine for his Triumph.

A few adults not associated with Nilehi joined in the festivities. Nelson Rockefeller hopes to find "Barry Goldwater" in his Thanksgiving meal.

General George Custer didn't understand the question and could only mumble prophetically, "The only good Injun is a dead Injun."

### Skips Turkey for Peas

Senior Harvey Kaluzna is more sensible than the turkey wishers. Harvey will ignore the turkey platter on Thanksgiving and plans to concentrate on the vegetable bowl in an effort to see "The Jolly Green Giant."

sets. "Since Drama Workshop has been initiated," Steve said, "after school time has been cut, and the work has become more organized."

Lonnie explained that "in the beginning of the year, the workshop contained too many students. Everyone made-up various characters, such as clowns, show girls, and old people. The less skillful people were eliminated. Others became teachers of after school crews."

### Works with Technis Members

Also preparing for the fall play are the members of Technis, the sound, lighting, and stage crew under the direction of Mr. George Fink. Technis shares the auditorium with Drama Workshop each seventh period.

Anyone interested in joining the Workshop should contact Mr. Schwartz. Even if a student does not have a seventh hour study, he is still eligible to work on school productions.

## An East Side Story

# Ebenezer Shoots First

by Sharon Finley  
English 31

EBENEZER GOODFELLOW was one of the original pilgrims. He was a fine man, a religious man, and he beat his wife only when she needed it. Ebenezer was a true pioneer. His wife had built their home herself, down to the last wooden nail.

Ebenezer Goodfellow was nearsighted and lazy, two reasons why he loved his wife. Because of his poor sight and lack of ambition, he collapsed when the governor's message arrived. Also, the light in his home was none too good. But after all, how many women can design a house properly?

### Proclaimed Official Turkey-Slayer

The governor's message was short and to the point. Condensed considerably it read: "When, in the course of human events and trials, in the year in which we are now living and in which we will continue to live until next year, a feast is hereby proclaimed; I proclaim that you, Ebenezer Goodfellow, son of Jedediah Goodfellow, husband to Mrs. Goodfellow, have been appointed official turkey-slayer for next week, the week after this, when we will hold our first annual Thanksgiving feast."

After Mrs. Ebenezer had cleaned him up and filled his powder-horn and tied his shoe-laces and led him to the door, Ebenezer was sufficiently recovered to grasp his own gun. This feat was difficult, indeed, because Mrs. Ebenezer didn't know how to clean guns and the accumulation of dust was rather thick.

Ebenezer took a deep breath and strode tremulously through the door. He inhaled and exhaled deeply and ventured off his porch into the clearing. Sometime later, head still high, Ebenezer reached the end of his clearing.

It was then that he saw the Indian. Ebenezer shot at all the Indians he could, but only when their backs were turned. He was afraid an Indian might steal his wife if he knew Ebenezer was the pot-shot killer.

### Gains Courage — Ready, Aim, Re-aim, 'Awk!'

Silently, Ebenezer took aim. Silently, Ebenezer laid down his gun and put on his glasses. Raising his gun once again, he shut his eyes and pulled the trigger. "Awk!" Ebenezer was thrilled. He had killed a real Indian! He trotted over to his fallen prey. "Awk!" squawked the turkey. "I'm most mortally wounded!"

"Congratulations," said the Indian. "You've shot the first Thanksgiving turkey." Ebenezer's head whirled, and the green forest went black before his eyes. "But," smiled the Indian, "do you have your hunting license?" Ebenezer Goodfellow fainted.





# Mr. Joseph Toth Joins East's Coaching Staff

EXPERIENCE is the major attribute of one of Nilehi's newest faculty members, Gymnastics Coach Joseph Toth.

The Hungarian-born physical education instructor has led an active life on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean. He was a member of the Hungarian national gymnastics team and a freedom fighter in the ill-fated Hungarian revolt.

"Gymnastics is conducted on a nation-wide level in Hungary," said Coach Toth, as he compared European and North American athletics, "and the manner of participation is quite different from that of this country."

There are three levels of participation, he said. The lowest level is for beginners, the second for intermediate gymnasts, and the highest is for advanced, or Olympic competition.

### Trampoline Not Recognized

One event not recognized in Europe, the Coach pointed out, is the trampoline.

"I rather doubt that trampoline will ever become a major Olympic event," he said. "Too many countries ignore it, while others place only a minor emphasis on it."

During the Hungarian revolt, Mr. Toth was in charge of 300 men assigned to protect part of the capital city of Budapest. After the revolution, he escaped to Austria and then to Germany. He learned a

great deal about America during four trips here, but he still couldn't speak English.

### Teams Unbeatable

When he came here to stay, Mr. Toth attended Kent University in Ohio, where he received his M.A. in physical education, competed in gymnastics, and studied our language.

After his graduation, he served as a high school gymnastics coach in Akron, Ohio.

"I coached for three years," he said, calmly, "and my teams were unbeatable."

Presently, Mr. Toth is in charge of frosh-soph gymnastics, and is looking forward to a successful season. He says his squad is "equal to or better than any SL team."

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER** for this year's Trojan football squad, Mark Newburger is receiving his award from Booster Club President Mike Shearn. Also present at East's annual football banquet, held November 13, are (from left) Athletic Director James Heiniger, '64 Team Captain Glen Paul, and Football Coach George Yursky.

## Swimmers, Wrestlers Start New Year

THE WINTER sport campaigns begin at Nilehi this weekend with the swim team hosting Niles West tonight and the wrestlers traveling to Palatine tomorrow afternoon.

Both Coach Joe Rusk of the swimmers and Coach Howard Byram of the grapplers believe their squads will finish high in the Suburban League standings.

### Predicts High Finish

Coach Rusk, assistant to Coach Don Larson, says that the Trojans and Highland Park will battle for third place in the SL. His first-division picks are New Trier, Evanston, Niles, and Highland Park, in that order.

Although not as adamant as Mr. Rusk, Coach Byram quietly states that the Trojans "have three or four boys with the potential to reach the state finals."

Coach Byram wouldn't say just who those four boys are, but a good bet would be Seniors Howie Rosenbaum, 103-pounder; Jeff Isel, 138-pounder; Bob Heller, 145-pounder; and Mark Newburger, 165-pounder. All four are lettermen, and all four reached at least the semi-final round of the district meet last year.

Leading the swim team are Lettermen Leon November, senior, and Marty Chalfie, junior. Coach Rusk believes that either or both boys will lead a Trojan contingent to the state tournament. The Coach is also counting on Divers John Cech, a junior up from last year's soph squad, and Wayne Hutter, a senior letterman.

Mr. Rusk says that even though the varsity squad is one of the best in Niles' history, it will improve in the years to come.

"The frosh team is one of the best I've ever seen," he explained. "Right now, they're giving the soph squad a battle, and many of the sophs are varsity material."

### Sophs Rugged

The soph grapplers appear to be a rugged outfit capable of taking the SL crown. Several of the yearlings are wrestling in their second season at the soph level and are expected to better last year's 10-4 record and third-place league standing.

## Hoopsters Take on West Across Highway Tonight

COACH DICK HASELTON'S varsity basketball squad treks across Eden's Highway tonight to open its 1963-'64 season as guests of the arch-rival Indians of Niles West.

Although the team has only three weeks of practice under its belt, Coach Haselton is pleased with the spirit and physical condition of his squad. He remarked that "it looks like many of the boys have been playing basketball since the end

of last season." Tonight's contest with West will be a tough one for the Trojans, as the Indian squad has three regulars returning from a team that finished 12-9 last year.

Seven Trojans who saw regular service last season will carry the brunt of the load tonight. The seven, Seniors Jeff Wolf, Bert Hall, Captain Dick Minors, Bill Grunow, and Juniors Doug Kornely, Glen Jarol, and Denny Berkson are joined by Senior Bob Shearn, who missed most of last year with a leg injury.

The Trojans fell to West last year 67-49. This year the Indians are rated as the team to beat in the Des Plaines Valley Conference.

## Gymnasts Ready For West

"WE ARE TRYING to establish a tradition here at Niles," said Coach John Riccitelli, "of always putting forth a good gymnastics team."

The gymnasts, who placed second in the state meet last year, go into tomorrow's meet against West confident of victory.

"Our main concern," says side-horse man Mel Winer, "is improving our form for the tough Suburban League competition."

Coach Riccitelli feels that almost all Suburban League teams will be tough this year. Looking ahead to possible state rivals, he pointed out Arlington High School as being particularly strong in gymnastics. Arlington will journey to Nilehi in February for a dual meet with the hopeful Trojans.

Leaders on the 1963-'64 squad, says Coach Riccitelli, are Seniors Dale Hardt, defending state trampoline champ; Arnie Lazar, parallel bars; Mark Kann, all-around; Marc Sloten, side-horse; Juniors Steve Wolf, rings; Mark Kaplan, rings; and Sophomore Ron Rapper, parallel bars.

Assisting Mr. Riccitelli is Mr. Joseph Toth. Mr. Toth, a former freedom fighter and revolutionary, was interviewed for the NILEHILITE. See story above.

### Trojanettes

## East Places Fourth in Swim

WINTER SPORTS are well underway, and girls' sports are no exception.

The first event of the GAA season was the "postal" swimming meet, held earlier this month. Niles'

scores have been tabulated along with those of 14 other Illinois schools entered in the 25-yard pool division.

The results of the meet, announced last Tuesday, found the Trojanettes taking fourth place in the state.

Taking firsts at Niles were Sophomore Carol Shaffer, 25-yard breaststroke and 25 and 50-yard freestyle; Junior Sandra Ohlson, 50-yard breaststroke; Senior Beth Kucera, 25-yard backstroke; and Sophomore Marsha Felzer, 25 and 50-yard butterfly.

Winning the 100-yard freestyle relay was the team of Freshmen Helene Zimmerman, Jane Cech, Sophomore Anita Vega, and Junior Ellen Bush.

Sponsors of GAA activities for 1963-'64 are Miss Nancy Samson, Ripplettes; Miss Deborah Kinsman, basketball; Miss Barbara Hinton, badminton; Mrs. Carol Drake, Mrs. Shelby Reese, and Miss Kinsman, gymnastics; and Mrs. Barbara Olson, modern dance.

SL BASKETBALL		
December 6	Morton East	Away
December 13	Evanston	Home
December 20	Waukegan	Away
January 10	Proviso East	Home
January 17	Highland Park	Away
January 24	Oak Park	Home
January 25	New Trier	Away
January 31	Morton East	Home
February 1	Evanston	Away
February 7	Waukegan	Home
February 14	Proviso East	Away
February 21	Highland Park	Home
February 22	Oak Park	Away
February 28	New Trier	Home
SL GYMNASTICS		
January 10	Proviso East	Home
January 17	New Trier	Home
January 24	Waukegan	Away
February 1	Evanston	Home
February 8	Morton East	Away
February 22	Oak Park	Away
February 29	SL Meet	Niles East
SL SWIMMING		
December 13	Evanston	Home
December 20	Waukegan	Home
January 10	Proviso East	Away
January 17	Highland Park	Home
January 24	Oak Park	Away
January 31	Morton East	Home
February 7	New Trier	Home
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SL WRESTLING		
December 13	Evanston	Away
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February 8	New Trier	Home

## BARRY'S BANTER

by Barry Perelgut  
SPORTS EDITOR

LAST WEEK Niles East's letterman's association, N-Club, held its annual fall initiation ceremonies and inducted 22 new members into the club, bringing the total membership to 67.

N-Club officers for 1963-'64 are Seniors Rick Block, president; Larry Shapiro, secretary; Dick Minors, vice-president; Kent Brody, treasurer; and Barry Perelgut, attendance officer. N-Club is sponsored by Coach Bob Henderson.

Acting as the N-Club spokesman, Brody explained that this year's club was going to "do more than just have initiations twice a year!"

"We started our new leaf by putting up the all-sports schedule board by the driveway on Lincoln Avenue," he said. "Then we sponsored the special Jack Dempsey assembly, held October 14. We hope that each year the N-Club will present such an assembly, featuring a well-known sports personality."

"We are now trying to set up a 'Wall of Fame' in the contest gym foyer above the trophy cases," Kent continued. "The 'Wall' will consist of pictures of all Trojan athletes named to all-star teams, placing in the top three positions in a state meet, or a team finishing among the state's top three teams."

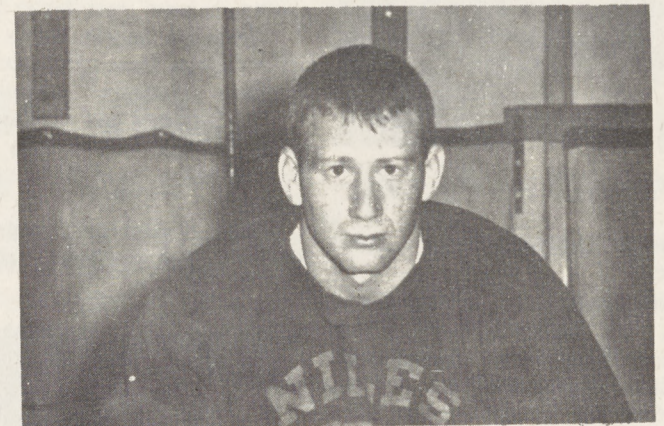
Kent believes that, in recent years, athletes at Niles East have lost the prominent position they once held. He says that one of N-Club's chief aims is to re-establish the athlete as a leader in school activities.

"The N-Club is becoming an active school organization which is striving to create a better image of a Nilehi athlete," he said.

"By encouraging its members to maintain a physical and mental conditioning program throughout the year, N-Club hopes to eliminate the poor image created by a minority of Nilehi athletes, many of whom are not even members of N-Club."

Any athlete who earns a major letter in any sport is eligible for N-Club. The athlete must be initiated and obtain the signatures of 20 N-Club members on a petition for membership.

THE ANNUAL All-Suburban League football team was named last week. The only Trojan selected on the 33-man squad was Senior Halfback Mark Newburger. Evanston led the all-senior team by placing eight players on the squad. Highland Park was second with six; Waukegan and Proviso East each had five; New Trier placed four; Oak Park three; and Niles East and Morton East, one each.



### Sidelines

## Mark Newburger

CAPTAIN OF THREE SPORTS in one year, most valuable football player, vice-president of the Senior Class: all these are honors Senior Mark Newburger has earned this year.

Mark, who plans to enter the field of medicine, was recently named to the All-Suburban Honorable Mention squad as a halfback-linebacker in football. He was the grid captain and also leads the wrestling and baseball teams.

Looking at the Trojan Athletic Department, Mark would like to see two changes made.

"First, I'd like more standardiza-

tion in teaching procedures among coaches," he said. "And second, I'd like a seventh period gym class for all varsity athletes. Niles East is one of the only schools in the Suburban League that doesn't have such a program, and it's rough on the guys out for sports to work out both in gym and then again at practice."

Mark seemed rather reticent to tout his own athletic abilities, but his football honors and the fact that Wrestling Coach Howard Byram feels Mark has the potential to become one of the top wrestlers in Illinois speak for themselves.