

## Three compete in Senate race for president

With today as the deadline for filing candidacy for the Student Senate presidential elections, Cindy Payne, '75, and sophomores Howard Nelson, and Stan Pressner are in the running.

The three candidates, all delegates to the Student Senate this year, will speak on May 20 at an optional student assembly in the auditorium to present their election platforms and to discuss what they consider to be major issues concerning students.

**IN HER EXPRESSION** of the issues, Cindy, possibly the first female Senate president at East, feels that the difficulty the Board has had in past years in passing a referendum in this community for additional funding, for "regular" school must be one of the concerns of the Senate next year.

Cindy also feels that classes are beginning to get too large and that "the Board must hire more teachers so that we can bring class sizes down and try to stabilize an acceptable teacher-student ratio.

**IN ORDER TO BRING** about these changes Cindy is advocating that next year's Student Senate make its desires known to Dr. Wesley Gibbs, the Board of Education, and the central administration so that "the public relation people in Niles Township stress our funding needs to the community rather than stress a low ratio of expenditures.

"Next year we are going to need quite a bit of student involvement in Senate to work our ideas into the plans of the central administration," continued Cindy.

The two other presidential candidates, Howard Nelson, and Stan Pressner, are running on identical platforms, focusing entirely on "student rights and activism."

**AT PRESENT, EAST, North, and West** have student representatives to the Board, who are appointed by the Senate president and who may interject what they consider to be the opinion of their respective student bodies of the issues to the Board during the course of any meeting.

Howard and Stan, in an effort to further student involvement with the Board "would like to fight for an active student vote" on it.

**THROUGH USING WHAT** they consider "about the only power a president has, they will "try to get the right people to the EPDC (Educational Policy Development Committee) and the Board."

"We are not going for token things like typed minutes of meetings, and coke in all the drinking fountains," Nelson said.

## Outdoor ceremony planned

### Seniors graduate June 9

Commencement exercises for the 1974 graduating class of 475 students will be held Sunday, June 9 at 3 p.m. on the football field, if weather permits. In case of rain the exercises will move into the contest gym and students will be limited to four guests each.

**THE PROGRAM CONSISTS** of the Intermediate Band and Concert Choir each performing a selection, valedictorian and salutatorian addresses, (number one



(Photo by Scott Wexler)

Displaying the ambulance they purchased for the people of Israel are the members of the "Students for Israel" club of East, who together with North, West, and Old Orchard raised more than \$8,000 through various fund-raising activi-

ties. Pictured from left to right in the back row are Mrs. Pam Strassberg, faculty sponsor, Sari Kessler, Alexis Stern, Lisa Lecker, Tobey Rozencajg, Bob Jakubowich, Julia Jacks, Ilene Korey, Sue Glass.

## National Honor Society initiates 52

Thirty-five juniors and seventeen seniors were initiated into the National Honor society last Wednesday at the Academic Awards Assembly.

**MEMBERSHIP IN THE** National Honor Society is open to juniors and seniors with a 3.0 grade point average. Each year six per cent of the junior class and three per cent of the senior class may be selected for membership.

The National Honor Society constitution states that membership "shall be based on excellence in scholarship, leadership, service, and character." Candidates are given a point rating in each of the following five categories:

1) scholarship (class rank); 2) in-school activities; 3) non-school activities; 4) honors courses taken; and 5) faculty recommendations. A point total is tabulated carefully for each applicant. Lists of the juniors and seniors are compiled from which a faculty committee of twelve members makes the final selections.

**SENIORS SELECTED** for membership include Robert Bisk, Ken Factor, Noah Gilson, Robin Graff, Judy Gutman, Brian Hamer, Richard Harris, Judy Hoffman, Larry Kampf, Norberto Kogan, Corey Levens, Mella Mincberg, Karen Oppenheim, Barbara Peterson, Jeff

Pucher, Shelly Rosenfeld, and Robert Wolf.

Juniors initiated were Phil Adelman, Miriam Benjamin, Howard Chabner, Alan Ellenby, Cheryl Esken, Pam Favish, Martin Fisher, Ira Fishman, Martin Glochowsky, Susan Goldstein, Sheila Goldsweig, Eugene Guerrero, Marsie Hass, Scott Hite, Ronna Kalish Dorothy Kampf, Julie Kaplan, Stacy Kaplan, Nancy Klehr, Holly Kruchevsky, Michael Levin, Rodrigo Lopez, Nikki Odlivak, Scott Pector, Debra Plotkin, Bonnie Saltzman, Arlene Siavelis, Warren Silver, Lori Simon, Mark Synderman, Sue Sohn, Martin Tish, Andrea Toback, Toni Tumonis, and Mary Unruh.

**SENIORS WHO WERE** initiated into the National Honor Society during their junior year include Jill Aronovitz, Robin Bezark, John Cascino, John Cohn, Harold Cooper, Robert Feder, Debra Filinson, Sherrie Friedman, Wendy Gartenberg, Robyn Gill, Seth Gold, Jill Goldberg, Jill Goldstein, Phillip Green, Marcia Helfgott, Omar Hernandez, Andrea Jacobson, Leo Kelly, Ruth Landsman, Bradley Lerman, Jan Levin, Jeffrey Lillien, Paul Mandell, Sharon Matsumoto, Ronald Miller, Gary Pineless, Daniel Rappoport, Julia Rath, Joan Sklair, Dawn Solberg, Michelle Vale, Jay Weller, Donna Whisler, Pamela Winans, and Kathy Zimbler.

Faculty members serving on the committee for the 1973-74 selection include Dr. Antone Kort, chairman, Gentil deRosa, Ed Degenhardt, Karl DeJonge, Jim Dorsey, Dennis Grabowski, Mrs. Joanne Eisenberg, Miss Verniel Lundquist, Mrs. Sylvia Mazouch, Jerry Profit, Dr. Barbara Ray, and George Yursky.

## May festival to provide weekend of entertainment

The annual May Festival will begin on Friday, May 17 at 8 p.m. in the auditorium and end on Sunday, May 19 at 7:30.

The first evening will feature the concert choir performing selections from "Godspell" and an original arrangement by former student John Fish '72. Girls' glee will sing selections from "Fantastics," and mixed chorus will perform "Oliver" and "My Fair Lady." Robert

Anderson is director of the three groups. Tickets are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students.

**IN ADDITION ON FRIDAY,** the stage band directed by Raymond Pettit will perform several selections including two original arrangements composed by Howard Pfeiffer and Bob Hotton. The concert orchestra will provide popular and entertaining music.

Concluding the weekend on Sunday will be the Chicago Duo of the Chicago Symphony sponsored by the music department in cooperation with the Illinois Fine Arts Commission. The Duo will render works by Stravinsky and Albaniz, while the Margo Grimer Dance Company featuring solo dancer Pascual Olivera will perform to the music. Tickets are \$1.75.

**ANDERSON AND PETTIT** hope to make the May Festival "a bigger, more spectacular event than it has been in the past." In the future, they hope to combine all three Niles schools and incorporate dance, music, drama, and art to make it more of a festival.

**Feedback**

# Early grads disadvantaged

## Students avoid electives

Dear Editor:

By the time Graduation rolls around, the number of graduates promenading in caps and gowns is drastically reduced. Students are allowed to earn enough credits for graduation and then graduate early. They are more interested in taking required subjects and are totally ignoring electives, such as art, music, and drama. Instead of concerning themselves fully on graduating early, students should take courses that cultivate interests and give them a chance to find where their interests are and in what.

It is understandable however, the need some students have for graduating early. But the advantages for not graduating early far outweigh the need — as the benefit of a full and worthwhile high school education for career and life. Being exposed to many types of courses serves to supply a student with many choices of interests to choose as a career.

Graduating early is a privilege and too often such a privilege is taken advantage of.

High school is a place of discovering oneself. Many leave high school and are unsure of what they want to do with their lives.

Name withheld upon request

## Procedures criticized

Dear Editor:

Justice must be brought to light on an issue of grave importance to a number of unhappy students who did not make the Cheerleading Squad due to the hypocrisy in the manner of how the faculty judged these try-outs.

Most of the contenders were under the impression that faculty from North and West would participate in the judging of this contest so that an equal balance of honest judging with unbiased and impartial teachers would be obtained. However, this was nothing more than a fallacy. All faculty judges were from Niles East.

Due to information from my resources, I discovered that certain individual teachers picked out their winners before witnessing the actual contest. In-

stead of judging the contestants on their fundamentals, they were judging them merely on their physical characteristics, or because they knew and liked the student.

Now, I ask you — in the free and democratic society in which we live, do you feel that this judging was dealt with fairly, righteously, and with integrity? Do you not feel an injustice has been done here? If you do, action must be taken to give these people the fair, and honest chance to a fairly-judged contest which they rightfully deserve.

Concerned Student  
Class of '75

## Able librarians here

Dear Editor:

If you wish to find a book whose title and author you've forgotten, give Mrs. Elaine Roth and her sleuth-colleagues in the library a bit of the book's storyline or theme and they'll find it for you.

An accolade to the Choral group and the Chamber Orchestra for its soaring rendition to Vivaldi's "Gloria" at the April 21 concert is deserved too.

Gifts differ. Talents abound!

Mrs. Betty Quinn

## Bus driving hazardous?

Dear Editor:

I would like to complain to this school about the poorness of the Maierhofer bus drivers. Many times I was close to heart failure when a driver made some daring moves that I have never seen before. On my route particularly the driver was going 45 mph in a 35-mile zone. He also goes over curbs while making turns on streets. It's also a state law to make a full stop at a railroad crossing; my driver just slows down a little.

These drivers are also very discourteous to students. For example, there were many occasions when the driver was just leaving his stall and a student who was late came running and knocking on the door to let him in. But the driver just laughed and kept on going.

Something should be done about this in a hurry so students can be sure they will get home safely.

Name withheld upon request

# School-bound activities enticing? Students lost during free time

Looking around Niles East, one observes many places where he can go. First, there is the library. It's everything, but what it's supposed to be: a place for studying.

Then, there's the cafeteria. Great place for eating if a boyfriend's lap is particularly comfortable. Of course, the cafeteria did receive new chairs, but the students keep breaking them as fast as the school replaces them.

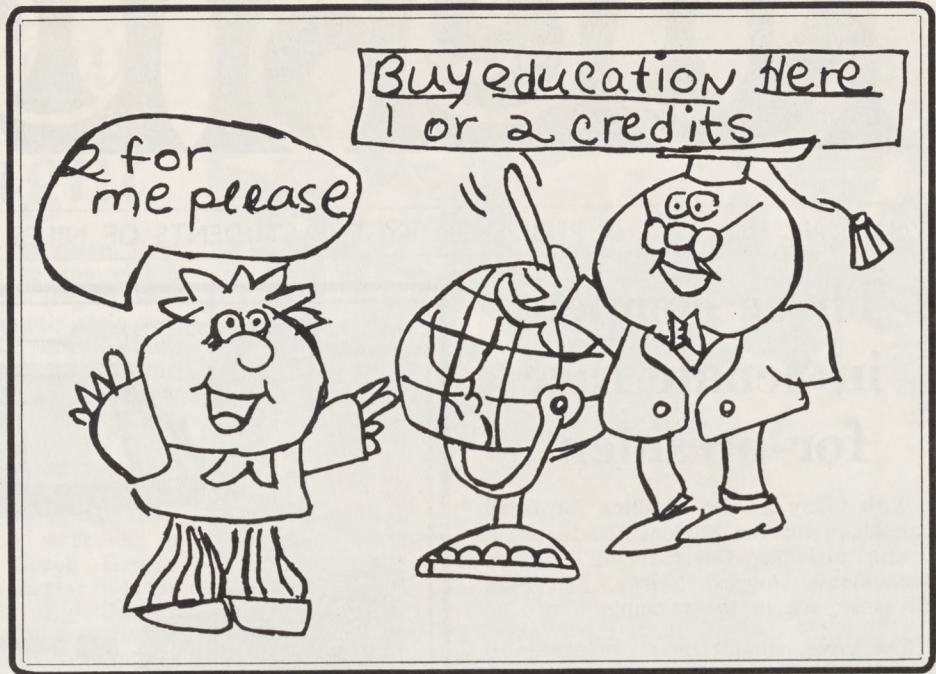
**WELL, IT'S SPRING** anyhow. Students can now either go out on Mulford Street or into the courtyard. It's somewhat surprising that the school hasn't forbidden students from going out on the courtyard on the grounds that they will destroy the grass. But as usual a noise problem is beginning to upset the surrounding classrooms.

Upon returning inside, one finds the student lounge somewhat crowded, but the atmosphere seems stifled. Why isn't it an attractive, desirable place for a student to spend his time?

And then, there's the bridge. By now everyone should be familiar with the list of teachers who don't allow students to sit on the bridge. Everyone is especially on the lookout for the main enforcers: Mr. Puff and Coach Becker. Students magically disappear when those two appear.

**WHERE ARE ALL** those enticing programs and activities that were promised when Open Campus was instituted? Has anyone been given time to plan any? Is there a committee to work on this?

Better luck next year! But won't somebody help?



# School board, students lack necessary communication

As has happened many times before this year, a failure to realize the issues has caused friction between the Board of Education and the student body.

At the March 25 meeting of the Board, the possibility of offering free summer school to Niles Township students was discussed and filed away with President Shirley Garland inquiring as to whether the Board members had an interest in exploring its possibilities. Only member James Gottreich expressed an interest and Mrs. Garland suggested that the meeting continue with the next item of business.

**DURING THAT MEETING**, Brian Hamer, East's student representative to the Board, stated that the Student Senate at East through a favorable vote, expressed their interest in Board acceptance of the free summer school proposition. This vote was based on a lack of knowledge as to the cost figure involved and source of the revenue needed, leaving many Senate delegates in ignorance of the complications involved in the issue before and after the vote. This again illustrates what has been the difficulty of East's student legislative body for as long as it has existed.

The students present at the meeting related to their peers that the Board rejected the possible exploration of free summer school without any reason or logic behind their decision.

**CONTRARY TO POPULAR** belief, the remaining six members of the Board had a basis for their disinterest in the proposal although this was not thoroughly explained by the Board at that particular meeting. According to Dr. Irwin Ginsburgh and as stated in the Illinois School Code Book, Chapter 122, Paragraph 12-2.1:

"The school board in any district having a population of less than 500,000 inhabitants may, by proper resolution, cause a proposition to authorize an annual tax, as prescribed in Section 17-2, for summer school educational purposes to be submitted to the voters for such district at any general or special election as hereinafter prescribed . . . if a majority of the votes cast on the proposition is in favor thereof, the school board may thereafter levy the tax as authorized."

Dr. Ginsburgh reflected his concern over a referendum as his experience with this community has shown that even referenda concerning additional funding of "regular school" has failed in past years.

**FOLLOWING DR. GINSBURGH'S** statement, the Board was questioned as to why Maine Township, that same night, passed the free summer school proposal without a referendum.

Despite the answer directed to those present at that meeting by Dr. Ginsburgh, although it may not have been clear to most listeners, the students who were present that night were unable to relate the whole truth to Senate members and others interested in the Board's action.

It is necessary that all the issues and problems be recognized and communicated. It certainly behooves the Board to make a more concerted effort to inform the school community on the rationale involved in making a decision. It also behooves the school community to listen to any rationale that is presented.

**CHOICES OF FINANCE** open to any board of education include only three sources other than through tuition: (1) the educational fund; (2) state aid; and (3) a summer school tax only levied if passed through a referendum.

Neither school district, Niles or Maine, has ever filed for state aid for summer school until this year on March 25 when the Maine Board passed free summer school.

According to Mick Herzog, public relations director, our district is not eligible for state aid for summer school because of the amount of assessed valuation (taxable property) available in our community. This means only two choices open for finance.

**THE BUDGET OF THE** educational fund in effect for this school year does allot a certain percentage of finance for the summer school program, but at this date, if the Board had approved free summer school, the educational fund budget would have to be revised. This process would require an amendment to be approved by the community and would be very time consuming.

The other possibility for finance would be a summer school tax which could be levied only if passed through a referendum.

In the case of Maine Township, the state aid that they filed for would almost entirely finance free summer school, leaving the remaining cost financible through a minimal charge to the enrollees.

**THIS ISSUE IS NOT** uncomplicated as it was thought to be by many students. Before voting on an issue, the Student Senate and all other student organizations who wish to make their interests known to different groups in the school community, must look into all the problems involved, and practically, intelligently, come to conclusions that merit consideration.

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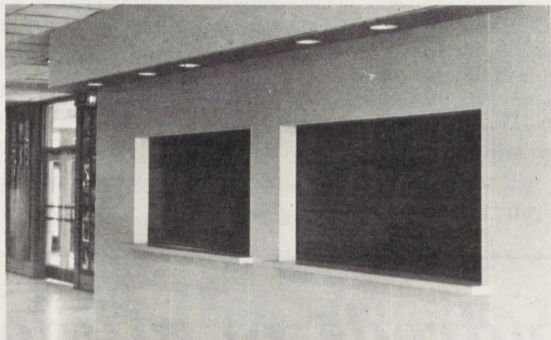
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## Hotline

# What is the 'thing' in Trojan Hall?

A. That new "thing" is a concession stand sponsored by East's Booster club which will be used during home games. The club received donations for necessary materials and the school budget provided about \$700 for its construction.



(Photo by Jeff Cohen)

The newly constructed concession stand in Trojan Hall will serve future sports spectators.

**Q. Is there any truth to the rumor that new graduation requirements will be increased in the near future?**

A. Yes. According to Mr. Leonard Winans, it is very probable that within two years an increase of two credits will be needed to graduate. The reason for a 34 credit requirement is that "students are taking easy courses for credit and therefore receiving credits for a class that is more or less enjoyable rather than academic."

**Q. Are teachers allowed to hold classes outside now that the weather is warmer?**

A. It depends on the type of class. Art classes can be held outside if their activity is conducive to being outdoors. If a teacher wants to hold his class outside, it must be cleared with the department director, a practice which would insure that the outside area would not be overcrowded.

**Q. Is the Board of Education considering carpeting all three schools entirely or is that a rumor?**

A. About a month ago, the Board asked the central administration, to compile a report showing the rationale, advantages, and disadvantages of carpeting in schools. Dr. Colver described the primary purpose of this report as an effort to determine whether carpeting would pay off in the long run.

**Q. How is the Al Beck Award winner chosen?**

A. A point system is used to determine the award winner. The most points in a single category are awarded for academic achievement. Points also are given for every letter received and athletic honors such as Most Valuable Player or All-Conference. In addition, participation in other school activities such as N-Club or Student Government is considered. A student may be disqualified from the competition if he is a poor school citizen.

**Q. Are students allowed to eat in the courtyard?**

A. Students are allowed to eat bag lunches out-

side, but are asked to pick up after themselves. The rule stands that no food may be taken out of the cafeteria.

**Q. When will yearbooks be distributed this year?**

A. Although the exact date for distribution of yearbooks is sometimes difficult to determine, Mel Pirok, yearbook sponsor, anticipates that yearbooks will be in the school building ready for distribution probably on Thursday, May 23. Seniors and juniors may pick up their yearbooks in the morning in the auditorium foyer, while sophomores and freshmen may get them in the afternoon. All students MUST present their I.D. card—otherwise they will be unable to get a yearbook.



(Photo by Scott Wexler)

Sally Goldstein, Audrey Wu, and Vicki Wilkoff are enjoying their leisure moments in the courtyard.

## Guest Editorial

# Teacher expresses library concern

by Everett Colton



Everett Colton, social studies instructor.

The author of "Games Librarians Play" which appeared in the April 5 issue has encouraged teachers about the evident concern regarding the use of our Niles East library. How good it is to know that students who have maturity and a keen sense of responsibility are using the facilities consistently. Obviously the author was not speaking of an isolated observation. What puzzles me is what games are being considered. Is it the game of getting the librarian's attention by subtle and indirect means to test the acuity or perception of an adult? Or is it a game of "guess who"? Many will wonder if the library is the best place for such laboratory experiments? The article did not distinguish between those seriously working on assignments or those enjoying pleasurable reading and those playing games.

**I AM NOT BEING** facetious or even sarcastic. The library has books and other material for use. Since students have the choice of being in the cafeteria, in the student lounge, in the halls, or on the sidewalk, their presence in the library represents a choice. Students

have told me that the cafeteria is not a good place to study. I agree. Anyone who has been there in free periods knows that the action and the noise level makes serious study a maybe proposition. Loud animated card games are not unusual and sitting on tables and even standing on them does not seem unusual. Some students say the student lounge is not a good place to study — too noisy, too dark, not enough facilities. There are limits to what study can be done outdoors or in the halls. Yet these and other locations do offer choices where self-discipline is secondary and the needs and rights of others are no real problem.

As a teacher, however, I'm concerned that the library does not become a duplicate of the lounge or the cafeteria. For the record, both of those places were originally designed for casual relaxation or study. In the conversational-study room in the Niles East library, I've seen students with feet on the tables, observed students playing a slap and clap game, and have heard a noise level that made a conference with a student difficult. Why is it necessary for four to six students to be at a table and carry on a conversation for almost an entire period, not quietly? Even if there is only one student in that conversational-study room who wants to study, he has the right to play his game of studying. The trend in how the library is used is more and more a cause of concern. What will remain for those who want and need a quiet environment?

**EVERYONE HAS AN** off day now and then. If students ask for special consideration when they have health problems or are worried or burdened by

pressures or just short of rest, aren't the student peers and faculty entitled to the same right or privilege? No one forces a student to go to the library. The real game to be played in the library is to use its resources. It is not a recreation hall, but mature and responsible students can use it for recreation that fits the facilities.

Perhaps it will surprise students to know that the librarians I've talked to do not object to a reasonable volume of conversation. The days of special passes to use the library and the strict no-talking rule are gone. The library staff maintains that there is a definite difference between a study-conference conversation and the opposite, regardless of whether it is in the reference section, the stacks, or the area study rooms. So the good news is that the game of talking is not forbidden nor is the game of studying. Non-disruptive movement is allowed, too. These are rights and privileges that have responsibilities. We all have privileges. Perhaps some more than others. But we all have some. If you say, "Why don't they just tell us to quiet down?" you are asking for some kind of supervision. If that is necessary, where is the maturity and real responsibility of those who require such controls? It is easy to get emotional and "involved" about people who are far away. I'm delighted that students care enough to walk or ride a bicycle for some miles to help someone. If you care that much for the unknown and unseen person, why not care enough about the person here at Niles East?

**THE REAL CHALLENGE** at Niles East is to be courteous and helpful to people you see at school, known or unknown, who are close at hand. These

human beings are very real and very often are right next to where you are. It is not difficult to say, "I'm sorry" and think you have done enough. But have you? A mature and responsible student who exercises his rights and privileges and who plays games that are not socially hurtful, can see to it that there are no actions or speech that need an apology. Then supervision would be unnecessary. Very few teachers would ever knowingly return a courtesy with rudeness. If there are some staff members who are short of the desired standard for the Skokie community, may I suggest that students demonstrate the level of courtesy they expect to receive from others. Of course, it is not easy. I've failed at times, but I try and most staff members do also.

The complaint about "Games Librarians Play" and the question about privileges are important points. May I suggest that the mirror be turned around. Opportunities should be measured by responsibilities. They go together and if any student or staff downgrades one, the result is socially not good. This applies to both students and faculty. I believe it would be an excellent experience to have one week when everyone demonstrated an honest, courteous behavior. Not the sham, shallow, superficial kind, but the real, honest, and unpaid kind that is not done just for praise or a grade or personal benefit. If this were done without loud or unfriendly remarks or sarcasm, wouldn't the school be a pleasanter place and wouldn't supervision and complaints be less? Some of you will say this is impossible. It is for those who quit. But if you have guts and backbone, what a game to play! And everyone wins. Let's try it.



## A night to remember..

by Laurie Berger

Guys in formal tuxes and gals in flowing gowns will enchant all eyes when they enter the doors of the North Shore Hotel in Evanston, on Friday, May 21, for "The Trip," this year's theme for the annual Prom.

**TICKETS WILL SELL** for \$25 per couple which will cover the dance, coat tip, tax, and a six-course meal. The dinner will include a fresh fruit cup, salad

with a choice of dressing, roast prime eye of beef, brown potatoes, broccoli in Hollandaise sauce, and hot rolls. For dessert a Viennese torte and pastry table will remain open throughout the evening. Fruit punch also will be served.

"Chapter IV," a five-piece combo, consisting of East's own musicians, will provide music to rock and roll to or music to

dream by.

**THE EVENING WILL** begin at 7:30, and according to Mrs. Nancy Goodman, junior cabinet sponsor, "this year's Prom is going to be great. Tickets have been sold at the rate of eight tickets a day and with ten more selling days ahead, a total of approximately 80 couples or more will attend the Prom of '74."

## Academic Awards honor hundreds of students

More than 300 awards, pins, and recognitions were given to an-almost equal number of students at the Academic Awards Assembly held last Wednesday in the auditorium.

Jill Aronovitz, John Cascino, Jill Goldberg, Jill Goldstein, Judy Gutman, Brad Lerman, Corey Levens, Jeff Lillien, and Ronald Miller were recognized as the 1974 National Merit Finalists. Those receiving commendation in the National Merit competition include Andrea Berg, Bruce Brantman, Harold Cooper, Roberta Drell, Gary Elkins, Robert Feder, Debra Filinson, Robyn Gill, Seth Gold, Brian Hamer, Keith Hardt, Richard Harris, Omar Hernandez, Sharon Matsumoto, Rebecca McCracken, Eliot Osherman, Mendy Pozin, Dan Rappoport, Jacqueline Sagen, and Pamela Winans.

**ONE-HUNDRED AND EIGHT** seniors were selected as Illinois State Scholars: Jill Aronovitz, Keith Baker, Julie Berg, Robin Bezark, Robert Bisk, Ellen Blatt, Jay Borker, Bruce Brantman, Janet Briedenbach, Steve Brook, John Cascino, Teri Chapnick, James Cohn, Rita Conroy, Harold Cooper, Glenn Davidson, Jose Diaz, Roberta Drell, Gary Elkins, Ken Factor, Robert Feder, Stewart Figa, Debra Filinson, Edwin Forsberg, Wendy Gartenberg, Robyn Gill, Noah Gilson, Larry Ginsburg, Susan Glass, Seth Gold, Jill Goldberg, Jill Goldstein, Martin Golub, Robin Graff, Philip Green, Renay Greene, Tim Griffin, Judy Gutman, Brian Hamer, Richard Harris, Victoria Hasegawa, Marcia Helfgott, Omar Hernandez, Jill Horwitz, Andrew Jacobson, Scott Jacobson, Larry Kampf, Leo Kelly, Linda Koenig, Bruce Koestner, Norberto Kogan, Ruth Landsman, Sharon Lapofski, Terrence Lee, Brad Lerman, Corey Levens, Avril Levin, Lisa Lieberman, Avram Lothan, Cheryl Luck, Susan Marcus, Helen Markich, Gerhard Massat.

Sharon Matsumoto, Rebecca McCracken, Gary Meyers, Daryl Michaels, Leslie Miller, Ronald Miller, Joanne Mueller, Stephen Ohlhausen, Karen Oppenheimer, Irene Pahigianis, Barbara Peterson, Howard Pfeifer, Gary Pineless, Lisa Polley, Patricia Powers, Mendy Pozin, Jeff Pucher, Steven Putziger, Eia Radosavljevic, Julie Rand, Dan Rappoport, Julia Rath, Michael Rosenbaum, Cathye Rosengarden, Claude Sadovsky, Jacqueline Sagen, Allen Samuelson, Ronald Seplow, Reid Sigman, Scott Skaletsky, Joan Sklair, Michele Small, Dawn Solberg, Scott Statland, Marc Stookal, Roland Torres, Vincent Trauth, Michele Vale, Andrea Waxman, Robin Weisman, Jay Weller, Donna Whisler, Pamela Winans, Robert Wolf, and Kathy Zim-

ler.

Fifty-two juniors and seniors were initiated into the National Honor Society. (See story on page 1).

**GOLD HONOR CERTIFICATES** given only to freshmen indicating a 3.5 grade point average for four consecutive grading periods were awarded to Ellen Brin, Karen Chamberlik, Laurence Cohen, Murray Cohn, Daniel Derman, Barbara Deutsch, Benjamin Dubin, Joseph Feldman, Dawn Flakne, Lisa Frank, Ellen Gill, Janet Ginsburg, Lori Graff, Evalyn Grant, Cathy Horwitz, Monica Jacobson, Louis Kanter, Lisa Kuntz, Nora Laos, Aileen Leung, Ann Levan, Lori Lipson, Elaine Masover, James Matz, Fern Medor, Steven Nelson, David Pevsner, Hal Pos, Mary Postel, Eric Robin, Julie Schmidt, Arla Silverman, Paula Sugarman, Caryn Vale, Sharon Veis, Randy Weisman, and Irwin Zeidman.

Blue Honor Certificates indicating a 3.0 grade point average for four consecutive grading periods were given to Michael Bass, Karen Behr, Michele Berrington, John Bongiorno, Allison Brantman, David Chin, George Curtiss, Luran Factor, Sharyl Fischman, Sandra Goldmeyer, Kenneth Golub, Sheila Hamer, Carla Hasegawa, Donna Horberg, Elizabeth Krier, Elise Kaplan, Joanne Lang, Marilyn Lapofski, Patricia Larson, Richard Levin, Jewel Levine, Dennis Liu, Carol Malina, Scott Malina, Larry Meisner, David Miller, Ann Morton, Nanette Odlivak, Ronald Pressler, William Prim, Stanley Rosen, Michael Ross, Eileen Saltzman, Pamela Schnell, Janet Seyller, Howard Shapiro, Alice Shimoda, James Smulson, Johannes Soehn, Scott Stahlberg, Esther Stein, Steven Stein, Michael Stiefel, Toby Steinberg, Elizabeth Surlin, Bonnie Tunick, Lynn Veit, David Weinstein, Deborah Wisse, and Diane Wurl.

**FIFTY-TWO SENIORS** qualified for the Gold Pin award

(3.5 average for 7 semesters with at least 13 honor points): Jill Aronovitz, Andrea Berg, Julie Berg, Robin Bezark, Ellen Blatt, Bruce Brantman, Cynthia Brown, John Cascino, James Cohn, Harold Cooper, Kenneth Factor, Debra Felinson, Robin Graff, Judy Gutman, Wendy Gartenberg, Robyn Gill, Larry Ginsburg, Seth Gold, Jill Goldberg, Jill Goldstein, Phillip Green, Brian Hamer, Richard Harris, Marcia Helfgott, Omar Hernandez, Andrea Jacobson, Larry Kampf, Norberto Kogan, Lenore Krasner, David Lachman, Ruth Landsman, Sharon Lapofski, Brad Lerman, Corey Levens, Jan Levin, Sheri Lee, Jeff Lillien, Sharon Matsumoto, Karen Oppenheim, Laura Page, Gary Pineless, Patricia Powers, Gloria Price, Dan Rappoport, Julia Rath, Shelly Rosenfeld, Dawn Solberg, Michele Vale, Jay Weller, Donna Whisler, Pamela Winans, and Kathy Zimble.

Seniors awarded Silver Pins (9 to 12 honor points) include Janice Bauer, Sylvia Box, Janet Breidenbach, Randy Bretzman, Sheree Cain, Teri Chapnick, Scott Cobert, Ronald Cohen, Glenn Davidson, Joann Deutshe, Gary Elkins, Cheryl Fleishman, Sherrie Friedman, Noah Gilson, Martin Golub, Renay Greene, Tim Griffin, Jill Horwitz, Leo Kelly, Robin Kempner, Allen Klein, Linda Koenig, Susan Kraut, Sharon Lapofski, Tina Lefkowitz, Karen Larson, Kim Lerner, Sandra Levine, David Levy, Cheryl Luck, Helen Markich, Robert Maslov, Gary Meyers, Leslie Miller, Ronald Miller, Mella Minberg, Fred Mueller, Keith Olive, Barbara Peterson, Lisa Polley, Jeff Pucher, Julie Rand, Stormi Rose, Michael Rosenbaum, Cathye Rosengarden, Jacqueline Sagen, Ronald Seplow, Fran Shapiro, Michelle Small, Corey Stricker, Vincent Trauth, Jeanne Ulbert, and Robert Wolf.

**FROM THE CLASS OF '75,** 33 received Silver Pins including

Philip Adelman, Robert Bodenheimer, Lisa Burack, Howard Chabner, Allen Ellenby, Pamela Favish, Martin Fisher, Tina Georgiou, Sheila Goldzweig, Caren Grantz, Eugene Guerrero, Marsie Hass, LeeAnn Jaffee, Dorothy Kampf, Julie Kaplan, Stacy Kaplan, Nancy Klehr, Rodrigo Lopez, Robert Matz, Mitchell Newman, Nicholette Odlivak, Scott Pector, Debra Plotkin, Arlene Siavelis, Ellyn Siegel, Lori Simon, Mark Snyderman, Susan Sohn, Martin Tish, Andrea Tobach, Toni Tumonis, and Mary Unruh.

The various departments also recognized outstanding students within their departments. Business education: Jack Henry and Sharon Lapofski; English: Skokie Women's Club - Judy Berns; Quill and Scroll Journalism Honorary: Jill Aronovitz, Rita Conroy, Sherrie Friedman, Dave Garlick, Jill Goldberg, Jill Goldstein, Marsie Hass, Brad Lerman, Melinda Metzger, Leslie Miller, Ronald Miller, Lori Simon, Michele Vale, and Kathy Zimble; Forensics: Leonard Mayer and Eliott Osherman. Foreign Language: Ruth Grentz and Jeff Pucher, National German contest certificate of merit.

Girls' PE: Sherrie Friedman, Nikki Odlivak, Stacy Fox, Sue Kozub, and Pam Schnell; GAA: Sherrie Friedman, Arlene M. Merz Memorial GAA scholarship; Martha Brzozowski and Michelle Chernick, Renee Roth Camp Memorial leadership scholarship.

Industrial arts: Arthur Stender and Robert Stender; Steven Kaye, architectural drawing contest sponsored by the Illinois Institute of Technology. Math: Harold Cooper.

**SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIPS** were awarded to Julie Berg, Iowa State University; Janet Breidenbach, Mundelein College; Stewart Figa, Chick Evans scholarship; Debra Filinson, Rand McNally and Company; Marcia Helfgott, Washington University; Scott Jacobson, General Assembly of Illinois; William Kasper, Chicago Tribune/Today; Stephen Kaye, Music Scholar's Award-Roosevelt University; Paul Scherfling, Illinois Federated Women's Club Art Scholarship, and Lori Simon, American Field Service.

Community awards: Eugene Guerrero - Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and Brian Hamer, Niles East PTA.

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### 'My Fair Lady' chosen

## Students invited to audition

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**AUDITIONS FOR** the summer theatrical production will be held May 21, 22, and 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Niles West Auditorium. Every member of the Niles community is eligible.

The Broadway and movie hit will be presented in the Niles

West Auditorium on July 26, 27 and August 2, 3 with a special senior citizen performance scheduled for July 28. The production staff includes former East band director Leo Provost as musical director.

**PERSONS WISHING** to audition for parts should familiarize themselves with the play, prepare a song within their vocal range, and come to one of the auditions. Those interested in participating on technical crews should contact Technical Director Tom Engle at 966-3800, extension 263.

## News in brief

## • 'Nilehite wins Golden Eagle

The Nilehite received the Golden Eagle award for Overall Excellence with special commendation on the strike issue at the recent Northern Illinois Press Association Conference (NISPA) held in DeKalb, Illinois.

APPROXIMATELY 900 students from the Journalism departments of Illinois high schools, including the journalism students and representatives of the Nilehite staff, participated in the various seminars dealing with the improvement of the high school newspaper.

Following lunch, an awards assembly was held in which the Nilehite received four Blue Ribbon awards. The winning categories included photography by Ron Lewen; sports by Norberto Kogan; news by Ron Miller, Scott Jacobson, Robert Feder, and Dave Mayer; and editorials by Robert Feder and Robert Wolf.

## • Park Dist. sponsors tourneys

The Skokie Park District is sponsoring the second annual Spring Tennis Tournament on the last two weekends of May at the Oakton Park Tennis Courts. Registration will be held at Devonshire Center from May 1 to May 17 at a cost of \$1 for each entry. Each contestant must supply his own tennis balls.

In addition, entry forms are now available for Skokie Park District's Ninth annual Hobby Show at Devonshire Center on Saturday and Sunday, May 25 and 26 from 1 to 4 p.m. both days. Registration forms are available until May 20 and may be picked up at Devonshire, Laramie, and Oakton Centers. Trophies will be presented to the winning exhibits in age categories.

Simultaneously, the Skatium will present its first annual Ice Show at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, May 24, 25, and 26. "Ice Extravaganza" will include more than 30 acts by Skatium skaters with special guest performances by Lynn Holly Johnson and David Santee. Tickets may be purchased at the Pro Shop: Adults—\$2.50; children—\$1.50.

## • 'It's Academic' to tape May 22

The taping of It's Academic will be held on May 22 at the CBS studios in Chicago. Seth Gold, Alan Ellenby, and Steve Levy will represent East. The alternates have been switched so that seniors will be a part of the team. The alternates include Barry Berk, Julie Rath, and Bob Wolfe.

Tickets for the show have been distributed for more than a week. Forty students will travel with the teams to the studio to be the school's cheering section. The opponents will not be known until a few days before the taping. According to Richard Miya, "If the team stays cool, has good timing, and anticipates the question before the question is fully read, the squad has a very good chance of winning." If the team wins their first match, which starts at 12:45, they will tape again at 2:30 in their next match.

## • 'Walk,' Bike-a-thon May 19

Thousands of people of all ages are planning to participate in the third annual "Walk with Israel," to be held on Sunday, May 19. The walk will follow a circuit through the northwest side of Chicago, Skokie, and Evanston and will cover 26 kilometers or 16.2 miles in honor of Israel's twenty-sixth anniversary which was just celebrated.

THE OBJECT OF the walk is to raise funds to meet humanitarian needs in Israel. The 1973 walk raised more than \$156,000 and the Chicago Jewish Youth Council, which is organizing the project, has set a goal of at least \$200,000 for this year.

Walkers will meet at the Bernard Horwich JCC on May 19 to register from 9:30 to 11 a.m. when the walk will begin. Walk cards are available in the library.

In addition, the Chicago unit of the American Cancer Society is sponsoring the second annual Bike-a-thon on the same Sunday beginning at 7:30 a.m. and ending at 2:30 p.m. to raise money for additional research, therapy, and rehabilitation.

Bikers have a choice of several routes ranging from 1 to 30 miles round trip. Sponsor sheets are available in the main office.

## • Students make pass/fail choice

A special homeroom will be held Wednesday, May 29, for seniors so that they may select what courses they wish to take Pass/Fail.

The underclassmen will have homeroom June 14, (the last day of school) from 8 to 8:45 a.m. at which time they may determine any courses they wish to change to Pass/Fail.

All students will be given their grades during the homeroom period and will have the opportunity of exercising their right to the pass/fail option by advising their home room teacher.



(Photo by Scott Wexler)

These six future stars of Broadway, David Barack (top left); Steve Schwartz (top right); Cheryl Esken (left center); Lori Simon (right center); Judy Kalin, (left bottom); and Len Upin (right bottom) captivate and express the mood through the direction of Jerry Proffitt for Improvisational Theater being presented today and tomorrow.

## Stender brothers compete in trouble shooting contest

by Don Broton

Bob and Art Stender will represent East at the 1974 Plymouth Trouble Shooting contest next Wednesday at Willowbrook high school in Villa Park.

Sponsored by Chrysler Plymouth Division of Chrysler motors corporation, the contest involves some 165,000 students taking auto mechanic courses in more than 2,000 schools in all 50 states each year who compete in local contests to win an all expense paid trip to the National Plymouth trouble shooting contest finals in June.

THESE TRIPS ALONE are worth more than \$115,000 with prizes and awards at the national finals totaling more than \$190,000. The purpose of the

whole contest is to encourage the students to complete their education and to become auto mechanics.

Students will compete in two events, a written examination and a mechanical competition which counts 60 per cent of their team's score.

IN THE MECHANICAL competition teams are assigned new Plymouth cars, each having identical malfunctions deliberately installed, all dealing with the electrical, starting, ignition, fuel system, and body hardware of the car.

Since the contest originated in 1949, it's estimated that more than 20,000 participating students have been placed in full or part time jobs as auto mechanics.

### Practical experience given

## Wood shop finishes kitchen

For twelve weeks, Robert Keen's fourth period wood-craft class has consistently been working on a new kitchen for Mr. and Mrs. Nick Odlivak.

Yes, an entire kitchen of formica topped counters, wood-crafted drawers, and cabinets were planned, constructed, and finished by a group of fourteen "ambitious" males.

THE FIRST STEP in providing the Odlivaks with their new kitchen decor was to measure the layout of the room and make the building plans. Next, the most difficult and important portion of the project was the precision cutting and putting the wood strips together.

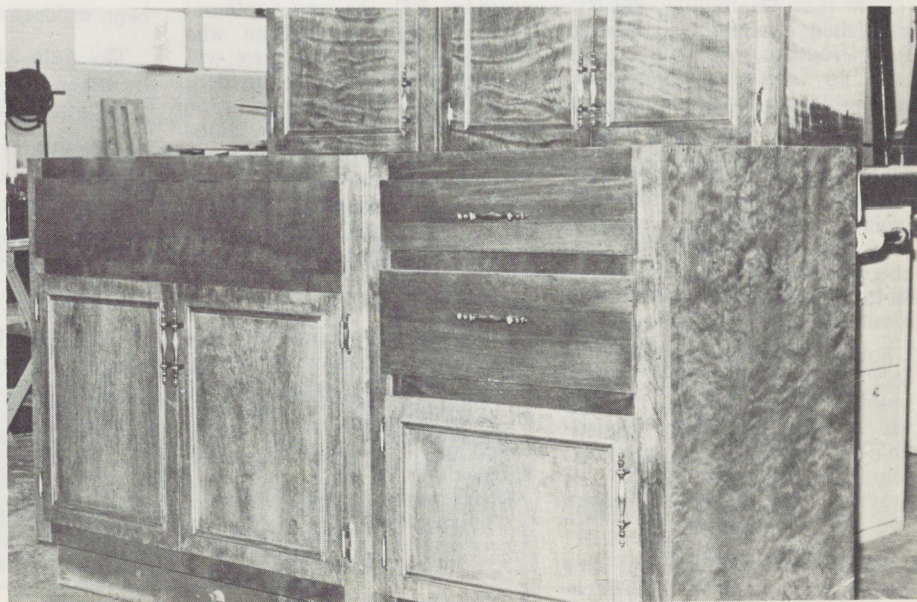
At last, final completion was near, and all that was needed was to varnish and

smooth out this now beautifully constructed cabinetry. The hard finish and provincial hardware gave it that professional touch.

The boys who contributed their workmanship include Bill Bro, Charles Christensen, David Cole, David Donna, Jim George, Roland Huhn, Steven Irsay, Stephen Killerman, Jim McKay, John Randazzo, Richard Short, Daniel Sullivan, Michael Valenti, and Chris Wolowicz.

THIS TWO-CREDIT COURSE teaches imaginative design and gives the students practical experience in building.

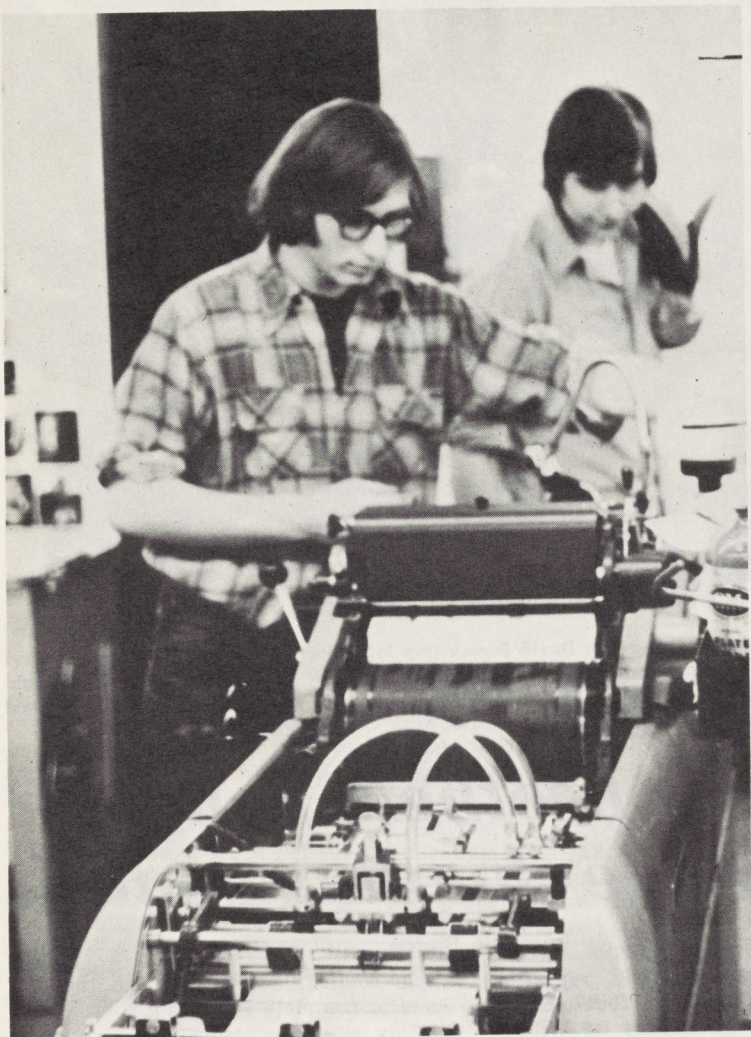
On Monday, the class will report to the Odlivak's to assemble and finalize the kitchen cabinets.



(Photo by Scott Wexler)

Robert Keen's fourth period wood class, after 12 weeks of labor, have completed this new cabinetry for the Odlivak's kitchen. This cabinet contains pull-out storage space and sliding drawers.

# New machinery modernizes shops



Steve Winter, '75, tests the productivity of the new multilith 1250 press purchased for the print shop classes.



(Photo by Scott Wexler)

Lee Sellers (left) and Glenn Jurek, auto shop instructors display the Sun testers—battery, tune-up, and exhaust analyzer purchased recently.

## \$45,000 expenditure augments Industrial Arts programs

by Don Broton

New capital equipment worth \$45,000 was purchased last month for East's shop courses. "All the big machines the teachers asked for, they got," said Dr. Barbara Ray, industrial arts director.

Of the three high schools, East is the oldest, and therefore had the most out-dated machinery. "The equipment was very old and costly to maintain; the shop teachers even had to work on them in their spare time," added Dr. Ray.

**THE PRINT SHOP**, headed by Tom Ristow, has invested \$21,250 in machinery including a new multilith 1250, a lithographic press where one lever does the work of five on the old one, and a densitometer which measures the density of the original photograph used in the production of a lithographic plate. An IBM typewriter, plate burner, paper jogger, and a rubber stamp maker also have been ordered for the print shop.

The auto shop course, taught by Glenn Jurek and Lee Sellers, is now equipped with a variety of machines. Three new Sun (brand name) testers—battery, tune-up, exhaust analyzer, an

engine stand, seven air-powered tools which included two ratchets, three different-use sanders, an air impact wrench and a car vacuum also were added. A brand new lift with drive-over, drive-through positioning, with safety catches (which the old one did not have), a tire machine which mounts and dismounts tires as needed for repairs or changes, a hydraulic 20-ton press, and hydraulic floor jack also were included in the purchases totaling \$8,840.

The metals shop, headed by Charles Madison, bought a milling machine, two ark welders, a power hacksaw (bandsaw), a blade welder, and a drill press (still on order) with the \$7,820 allotment.

**THE WOOD SHOP** headed by Robert Keen, invested the amount of \$5,330 in a new wood

jointer, a sander-grinder, a stationary sander, and now on order is a portable router and a wood planer.

Drafting machines (which are devices that replace the "T" square and the triangle) were added to the drafting room.

**A CATEGORY CALLED "life safety"** was responsible for the auto shop being fitted with exhaust hoses so that the car emissions would not leak into the shop. Shop doors no longer need to be kept open. The hydraulic lift that was installed also has safety catches so that in case of a flaw in the hydraulic system, the lift would not drop more than two inches. In addition, the print shop had all the outlets grounded.

"Because shop course enrollment has increased noticeably since the 1971-72 school year and is continuing to rise, the need for this equipment was immediate," concluded Dr. Ray.

## A day without gym ... could be fattening

by Laurie Berger

Imagine in the future, students attending high school and not being required to take Physical Education, (commonly referred to as "gym.")

A strong possibility exists that the PE course will slowly but completely disappear from the high school curriculum. This harsh yet probable statement was made by Professor Florence Grebner, director of the PE Activities Program at the University of Illinois in Urbana.

**BY OBSERVING** a sequence of the enrollment at the University for the past two years, Prof. Grebner has concluded that because of the elimination of PE as a graduating prerequisite, enrollment has blossomed to approximately 17 per cent since last year. Students are now concentrating on their major field of study and not burdened with a Physical fitness requirement.

Now that Champaign has relinquished their once required PE Program, lifetime sports such as tennis, bowling, golf, and some requested courses as weight control and self defense are being offered instead. Students also have the opportunity to choose unusual classes which include therapeutic exercise prescribed by doctors for disabled students, canoeing, rugby football, field hockey, and ballroom dancing.

Some students enter the physical fitness program under scuba diving and life saving which could lead them to certification. This course, however, requires additional hours of practice, but in return offers two hours of credit.

**PRIME EXAMPLES** of this new concept in Physical Education can be found in programs being offered in colleges across the nation. Others are considering similar changes.

Mrs. Matlak, PE teacher here

at East, is strongly against such a change. Her reason is not merely because she is a specialized teacher in this particular field, but she feels it is truly needed. Having "gym," is a type of break in the day which permits the students to relieve inner tensions and anxieties; and in the long run, no matter how the course may be "frowned at" benefits all.

Mrs. D. Whyman, head of the girls PE department, feels that now because so many colleges are considering the idea of eliminating their Physical Education Program, it will be needed even more at the high school level.

**SOME STUDENTS** tend to agree that this proposal of "getting rid of gym," could indeed be an extremely important innovation. A suggestion was offered to have a three-day a week class rather than every day. A further thought was to provide PE as an optional course available to those who want it and feel that they will benefit from it. It is evident that the changes occurring on the college campuses are bound to affect the high school. The day may come when PE no longer will be required.

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# Girls' track works hard for victories

Niles East's Girls' Track Team opened their season last week with a decisive victory over Niles North. Complete team effort resulted in a very high point total, as the Trojans racked up 98 points to North's 25. The team dominated most of the meet, sweeping the shot-put and the 440. They also took first and second place in six other events.

**FOR THE LAST** two weeks the girls have been training hard in preparation for their first meet. Coach Denise Tote-mier was extremely happy over the outcome, though she also thinks the team needs more conditioning.

In last week's meet, some of the top performances were turned in by Sue Kozub who

took first place in the high jump, long jump, 50-yard dash, and the 220-yard dash. Captain Becky McCracken took first in the 80 and 110-yard hurdles; Sue Krause took first in the 880-yard run; Mag May first in the mile, Carol Greenspahn first in the 440, Cheryl Minowski first in the 100-yard dash, and Karen Behr first in the shot put. Credit also goes to the fine performances of the two winning relay teams.

**THE GIRLS ARE** confident, but still working hard for the rest of the season. Some of the girls' scores already are close to state qualifying times.

Glenbrook North will face the Trojans on May 7 with District meets scheduled for May 11.

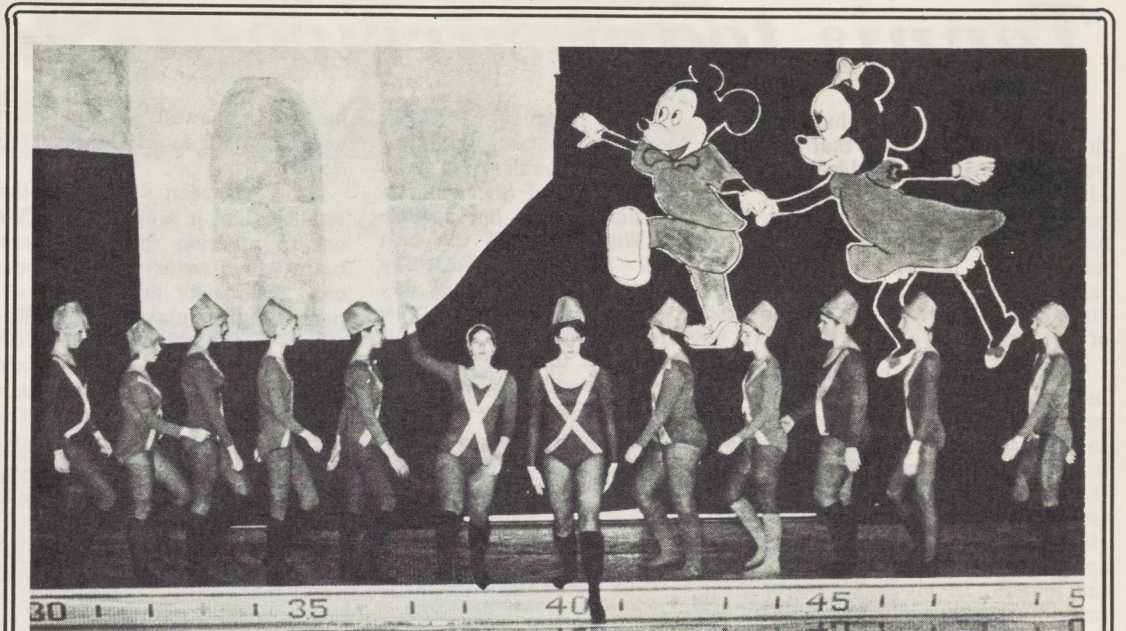
## Girls' softball loses pair

Losing 29-10 to Maine West on April 24, the girls' softball team opened the season with a disappointing performance. The Junior Varsity team proved more encouraging by defeating Maine West 14-13.

**HOWEVER, DESPITE** all hard efforts put out by the girls, both varsity and JV were defeated by Niles West Wednesday, May 1. Varsity lost by a

wide margin of 18-9, while JV came close losing 6-5.

Under the guidance and leadership of Coach Charlotte Vanderwilt, the team is concentrating on winning its future games. This year's team consists of 33 girls chosen on the basis of their fielding and throwing. The prospects for future teams seems very promising. The softball season continues through the end of May.



(Photo by Scott Wexler)

'A Tribute to Walt Disney' is this year's theme to the synchronized swim show by the Riplettes. As shown above, the participants are hard at work to be well prepared for the show that was presented May 2-4.

# Outdoor track finally given lines; CSL league meet held tomorrow

by Omar Hernandez

Niles East's Track Team was finally able to stage a meet at their home track on Thursday, April 25. The track had been

suitably lined that afternoon with chalk.

Elmwood Park was the enemy that afternoon, and East bumped

them off 84-52. Larry Bower started things rolling by taking the 2-mile in 10:41.5. In the 120-yard high hurdles, Sal Parenti's 16.2 gained him first place. Al Johnson was victorious in the 100-yard dash 10.4 with Bob Sommerman a close second at 10.5. Glenn Davidson was first in the 220, finishing at 24.5. Terry Lee and Ron Seplow were one and two in the 440. In the field events, the Trojans won four out of six: Craig Wagner in the pole vault, Al Johnson in the long jump (19'1"), Len Weinstein in the high jump, and Ross Pollack in the discus.

**THE PREVIOUS** Saturday, East participated in the Lake Shore Invitational, and brought home quite a few medals. Ross Pollack snatched first place in the shot-put and discus. For the sophomores, Sal Parenti won the 120 high hurdles and Mark Lichtenstein captured the 2-mile.

On Friday, April 26, the Trojans finished near the bottom of an extremely competitive field in the Prospect Invitational. Nevertheless, some of East's trackmen performed fantastically as the meet continued into the warm evening. Mark Lichtenstein ran the 2-mile in 9:58, excellent for a sophomore. Marty Golub, a senior, placed seventh out of 22 in the half-mile; he ran it in 2:02.2. But that wasn't all Golub did, for he came back and ran the mile in a sparkling 4:41.1. Another fine performance came from Bruce Teichner, a freshman, who ran the 440 in :56.6 which bests the sophomore record.

**MAINE SOUTH** invaded the Trojans on Tuesday, April 30, and scalped them 83-51. The highlight of the meet came at the very end, in the mile relay. With the Trojans twenty yards behind, the baton was handed to anchorman Terry Lee. Lee sped away, and slowly began to gain on South's anchorman. With sixty yards to go South's anchorman started to die, then Lee, sprinting, just beat out the runner from Maine.

Tomorrow, the Central Suburban League meet will be held at Glenbrook South beginning at 10 a.m.

'Better' than the boys

## Girl fencer denied competition

by Michelle Chernick

Shirley Rissman, senior and president of Riplettes, has a different kind of hobby — fencing. Besides fencing, she was on the swim team and participated in GAA activities. She became

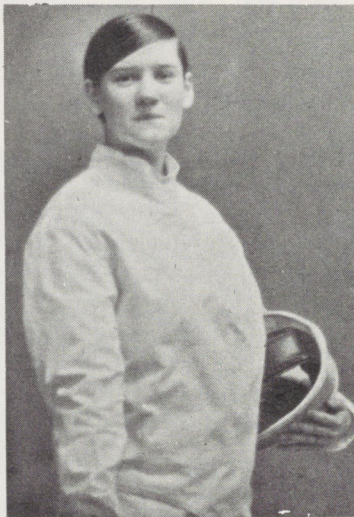
involved with fencing when she was in her sophomore year in Miss Jean Wodjula's class. That summer she bought her own equipment and started to take lessons at the Y.

**NILES EAST**, failing to have a girls' fencing team, forced Shirley to work-out with the boys without her having the opportunity to participate in meets. Although she wasn't allowed to compete, she did help out at meets with scoring and timing.

Coach Robert Keen commented that Shirley was "better" than some of the boys on the team. He agreed that she is good enough to be on the team.

**ALTHOUGH COMPLIMENTARY** of Shirley's ability, he is quite skeptical of having girls compete against boys. He believes a girl could get hurt too easily.

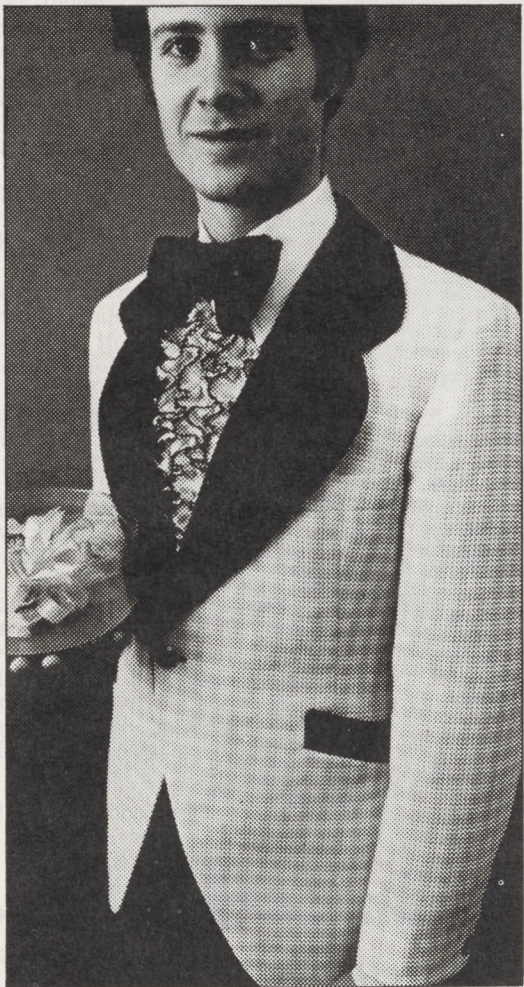
Shirley's not sure of her future fencing plans, but she hopes to attend Northern Illinois University and perhaps get a fencing team started there if there isn't one.



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Fencer Shirley Rissman is another girl athlete who hasn't been able to participate on the boys' level.

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## Tennis team survives CSL

After losing their fireplug Pete Stearns, some thought that this year's tennis team wouldn't survive the obstacles of the powerful CSL. Coach Len Winans has rattled the predictions of non-believers keeping the Trojans in contention with other state-ranked teams at the top of the league.

**THE TROJANS** are over .500 in conference, despite recent injuries. Dennis Kaplan, who was making strides to the top of the team ladder, injured his neck last week. Kaplan had overtaken Gene Guererro at first singles and was picking up speed, barnstorming through the league. In his most recent and impressive victory, Kaplan destroyed Maine East's Bronzinian 6-3, 6-4.

When asked about the unfortunate mishap, Kaplan, conveying the image of the self-effacing team leader, said he was more concerned about not being able to help the team than about his own misfortune. "I'm very disappointed and I was looking forward to a great season," Kaplan added.

**RECENTLY THE TROJANS** downed Niles West. The key in that victory was Scott Skaletsky, who topped his rival 7-5, 6-4. Skaletsky is not the overpowering player that Kaplan is, still he is very seasoned and is a difficult opponent. Gene Guererro and Jim Cohn again were teamed at the first doubles spot. For some intangible reason when the two are together, they comprise one of the most potent combinations in the CSL and the State.

Guererro and Cohn won the district competition last year and will be seeded first in this year. Thursday, May 2, the Trojans lost to New Trier West 4 matches to 1. Marty Avers,

playing for Kaplan, lost his match as did Steve Pales as well as the doubles team of Paul Milstein and Sherwin Korey. Skaletsky lost, but according to Winans looked the best he has all year. Skaletsky limped to school the next day with pulled and strained muscles from leaping and diving for well placed shots. Cohn and Guererro wiped out their competition 6-2, 6-2.

**NILES EAST'S** next match is against Niles North. Hopefully, the Trojans will have Kaplan back. Skaletsky practically has

his match sewed up and Cohn and Guererro look strong in the doubles.

A lot has been said about the varsity, but it would be unfair not to mention the sophomore team which assessed a 14-0 record. The sophs are led by superb singles players Jeff Epstein, Tim Besser, and Eric Robin. Epstein and Besser are candidates to play in the state district meet with Epstein the possible first singles player.

**THE SOPHS PLAY** Deerfield next Tuesday. Both teams are rated first in the league.

## Kramer shoots record 35

## Golfers defend title

by Jeff Weinstein

Niles East's Golf Team will compete in the 1974 District Championship today. The team is defending champs of the tourney and will try to retain the title today.

In preparation for this meet, they have competed in many meets and have been highly successful this season.

**AGAINST NILES NORTH**, the Trojans broke two school records while trouncing the Vikings with a record score of 151-166. Ken Kramer shot a record breaking 35, one under par. Sophomore Phil Gagerman shot an excellent round at 37. Senior Andy Ruttenberg shot a 39, and Ron Rzadzki a 40.

The golfers participated in a triangular meet with Maine North and Highland Park. Highland Park won the meet narrowly with a superb score of 154, just beating out the Trojans by two strokes. Again, it

was Ken Kramer who topped the Trojans with a fine round of 36. Maine North finished way behind the field with a poor score of 175.

**NILES EAST** next faced New Trier East, who at the time was in first place in the Suburban League. Easthi defeated New Trier 152-154. Ken Kramer again turned in the top round with a 36. Andy Ruttenberg and Lorry Lichtenstein finished with 37.

The last meet the Trojans competed in was with Waukegan and Glenbrook South. Glenbrook won the meet convincingly with a great round of 147. Dan Broderic of Glenbrook turned in a phenomenal round of 34 which was the best round of the meet. Easthi finished second with a respectable 154.

**AFTER EAST** participates in Districts, they will advance to sectionals, and on May 24 and 25 the State finals will be held.



(Photo by Scott Wexler)

First baseman Lee Wisniewski stretches high to throw out New Trier West batter. The Trojans lost 3-2.

## Trojans break slump; Districts start tomorrow

A whole new season starts for the Niles East Baseball Trojans tomorrow when they take on the winner of the Quigley North-Evanston game in the Districts Tournament of the State Baseball meet. Game time tomorrow is 10 a.m., at Evanston High School.

**EAST CARRIED** a 4-2 League record into the game at Highland Park. The game was scoreless for two and a half innings when the Giants erupted for three runs, with the help of some sloppy play by the Trojan defense. The first batter was hit by a Scott Slutsky pitch. The next Giant singled, when a fly ball was then lost in the sun by right fielder Ed Calvo, and the first run of the game was scored, with runners advancing to second and third. Before the inning was over East made two more errors, one on a run down that gave Highland Park two gift runs.

East tied the game in the sixth, with the highlights being hits by John Gentile, Kurt Keisel, and Lee Wisniewski. Rich Berkowitz laid down a suicide squeeze to tie the game.

**BUT IN THE BOTTOM** of the seventh, Highland Park won the game with a squeeze of its own. The leadoff man whiffed, but the next Giant singled to center, moving the runner to third. After two walks, Highland Park pulled off the squeeze, and Easthi lost the game.

East faced a do-or-die situation on the 26th against Glenbrook North. But the Titans took care of star pitcher Ron Kleinschmidt in a hurry by scoring seven runs in the first inning.

East chipped away at the lead for the rest of the game, and Dave Garlick held the Titans to two runs the rest of the game, but the rally fell short as East was a 9-6 loser.

**WITH THE CHASE** of the league title nil, East lost two games at the end of last week before finally breaking out of the slump. First East lost to New Trier West last Wednesday 3-2. West got hits in only two innings from Dave Garlick, three in the first that produced two runs, and two in the second that produced one run, the eventual winner. East scored two runs in the fourth, highlighted by hits by Lee Wisniewski, Berkowitz, Mark Zolt, and Howie Weiss.

At Maine East the next day Ron Kleinschmidt gave up only one hit, while striking out nine batters. But the Trojans hit rock bottom that day by losing the game 2-1. An error in the second and a stolen base had Maine threatening to overtake a 1-0 Trojan lead. With a 3-0 count on the batter, Kleinschmidt threw a wild pitch. The batter continued to second. Catcher Rich Rubin's throw found the runner on third breaking for home. Howie Weiss threw home, but the ball went back to the screen, and the runners circled the bases. East had chances to score, but poor base running and the lack of clutch hitting hurt East.

**EAST FINALLY** got back on the winning track with a wild 12-9 win over Glenbrook South last Friday. Lee Wisniewski was the hitting hero with a triple and a double that scored four runs. Ed Calvo was 3 for 5 with two doubles. Ron Kleinschmidt was the winning pitcher, but starter Dean Pueschel, Dave Garlick and Kleinschmidt were all ineffective.

On Monday East traveled to Niles North in quest of another league victory.

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