

Spring Play To Be a 'Miracle'

"ONE HUNDRED MILLION miracles are happening everyday." Niles has its share. For its May 8 and 9 debut, the spring play will be a miracle.

Sponsor Alvin Schwartz claims, "The Miracle Worker' is just what it sounds like — a miracle."

For emphasis and special effect, the story of the blind, deaf, and dumb Helen Keller comes off the stage into the laps of the audience. "Certain scenes will be projected from the orchestra pit," Mr. Schwartz explains.

Another "innovation" is padded costumes.

"Because of Helen's many handicaps, she possesses animalistic tendencies. While Annie Sullivan

is teaching her, Helen reacts violently in several rough and tumble fight scenes.

"Thus far, several injuries have occurred at rehearsals," adds Mr. Schwartz.

"To be safe, the lead characters will wear padded costumes."

Since the play involves major physical and emotional demands, the lead role has been double cast.

"Now, Senior Jan Selig and Freshman Terri Schmitzer share the role. If both do equally well, one will perform Friday evening, the other Saturday," the sponsor adds.



MUSIC MAN Mike Gershberg, '66, on tenor saxophone, was in the spotlight at the recent concert band assembly.

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Hurry! Hurry! Step Right Up! Seniors Host All-School Carnival Tomorrow

by Sande Salstone

HURRY! HURRY! HURRY! Ladies and gentlemen! Step right up and try your luck! And they're off . . . what a thriller, the long-shot was in all the way.

Coming from the Executive Club turtle races, we spot the balloon shaving of the Ushers' Club. Try your touch. Shave the balloon without popping it. There are laughs galore when the balloon pops in the face of an unsuspecting Mr. Miller.

Now move right along to the big side show in the Modern Dance Room. The thrills, chills, and excitement of Sophomore Cabinet's ghost house await your every scream.

ATTENTION everyone! Stay

Quiz Advisors on North Activities

SPONSORS AND advisors at East will soon be asked to recommend students to staff the activities of the new Niles North High School.

In a memo to East faculty sponsors, Mr. Ted Beranis, director of student activities, will also ask the sponsors to recommend students for leadership positions in the North activities.

A similar search for students to staff North activities is underway at West Division.

"Obviously, with two schools sending recommendations to staff North's activities," Mr. Beranis says, "there will have to be a lot of 'give-and-take.'"

With the words "give-and-take" he stresses the need for co-operation among the North-bound East and West Division students who will form the nuclei of the new school's extra-curricular activities.

alert. I repeat, the management asks you to stay alert. Big-time Beranis has just escaped from the French Club jail.

It is important that those of you who have purchased records from the Student Council auction stay constantly on guard. Big-time B is a music lover.

Don't crowd the ambulance, folks. A lady has fallen from the top of the Prudential Building while walking Thespians' Chicago skyline. We ask you to clear the area.

HURRY! HURRY! HURRY! Elope now while her answer is yes! The Junior Cabinet preacher will perform the ceremony while you wait.

The crowd is going wild. Stand

back everyone! Looks like the Senior Cabinet mouse is on the loose.

But no need to panic—not till 7:30 tomorrow at "Panic '64," Senior Cabinet's rollicking, frolicking, all-school carnival. It's the Girls' Gym tomorrow for a riotous evening of laughs, prizes, and fun galore!

TWO JUNIOR BOYS will be chosen to serve as East's Trojan Mascot during the 1964-'65 school year, according to Student Council President Steve Bernstein.

The Trojan costume was given to East by the Class of 1963, and the responsibility for choosing the Trojan was undertaken by Council.

Council is now accepting names of interested boys and will announce the new mascots in the next issue of the NILEHILITE.

All prospective mascots must meet certain basic requirements, which are:

NewSHORTS

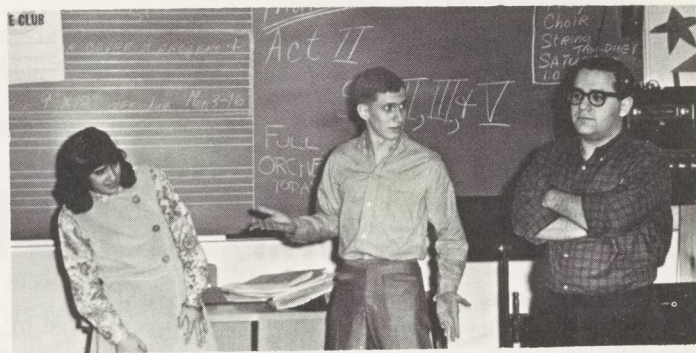
NO GAA Turnabout Dance will be held this year, says Mrs. Leona Morack, GAA sponsor.

"Past dances were evaluated, and it was found that student interest has decreased to the point where a spring dance would just not be worth the trouble to plan," she says.

"Frosh only" will read the sign on the auditorium Monday morning when scientists from the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies present demonstrations of atomic power for East freshmen.

NILEHI EAST Debaters Joel Weinstein, '64, and Elliot Hartstein, '66, lost to Morton High School (Hammond, Ind.) Saturday on the WBBM-TV program "Rebuttal."

The NILEHILITE joins the administration, faculty, and students in expressing condolences to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Karp on the death of their son, Sophomore Charles Karp, who passed away Monday.



"CAROUSEL" spins into Niles East April 17 and 18. Shown rehearsing for the spring musical are leading players Shelly Saffro, '64 (left), Mike Kassir, '65 (center), and Denny Gibrick, '64.

Council Seeks '64-'65 Mascot; Election for Officers April 10

1. Must be a junior boy who will be at East next year;
2. Must have a medium build and good physical ability;
3. Must be interested in school spirit and free to attend all football and basketball games.

Interested boys should submit their names to the Student Council mailbox in Room 125, or to their home room representatives.

"The mascot tradition is one which East should be proud of," says Steve. "I think it would be a great honor for any boy to serve as East's Trojan Mascot."

"THE ELECTION date for next year's East Student Council officers is set for April 10," announces Junior Al Feder, Student Council Elections Committee chairman.

"This election will climax one week of campaigning, April 3 to April 10, highlighted by campaign speeches at the elections assembly April 9," Al says.

"The Council constitutional ruling on candidates' qualifications has been amended from a 2.0 grade average and at least one year of

service as a representative to a 2.0 average and at least one year of service as either representative or alternate," Al reveals.

"Only those candidates running for an office at East will be allowed to campaign," Al concludes. "Candidates will be permitted to put up posters Friday, April 3, at 3:45 p.m."

New Officers Installed By Future Secretaries

"PLEASE COME in and take a letter, Miss Jones," may be a familiar sound in the future for the 18 members of the Future Secretaries Association of Niles East, which recently installed its new officers.

The new officers are Juniors Sharon Siegal, president; Linda Farber, vice-president; Rita Gilbert, secretary; and Nadine Simon, treasurer.

The FSA, sponsored by Miss Ada Immel, consists of junior and senior business education students who learn about secretarial fields and opportunities, work and dress habits, job applications, and what management requires of the future secretary.



\$25 is on its way from Junior Cabinet to Student Council's United Fund Drive. Cabinet Treasurer Barbara Harrison (left) writes the check as Council's Robin Richman, '65, looks on.

Senior Girls Snare Two of NCE's Three Scholarships

NILES EAST Seniors Judy Eimstad and Marla Woolman were recently awarded three-year full tuition scholarships to the National College of Education in Evanston.

The scholarships, which are two of only three awarded each year by NCE, were awarded on the basis of scholastic aptitude, a scholarship test, and interviews with college personnel.

The girls say that they are thrilled and grateful for the honors

and extremely happy that East students won two of the awards.

Both Judy and Marla plan to live at home while attending NCE. Both hope to become elementary school teachers.

The scholarships cover tuition for three years and are currently worth \$4200. The girls will have to maintain a B average to remain eligible for the grants, but both are confident that they will do so.



CREATIVE CHOREOGRAPHY by Nilehi's modern dance group, Orchesis, will be presented tonight at 8 p.m. in the auditorium. Featured in tonight's recital will be (l. to r.) Linda Zabore, '67, Carolyn Friend, '66, Judy March '66, and Jan Selig, '64.

Forum

Adults Only

WHEN PRESIDENT Lyndon Johnson inaugurated his campaign against poverty, he must have had the financial state of the average teenager well in mind. Every youngster is enveloped by the high cost of living as soon as he reaches the age of 12, for then not only are his parents required to pay twice as much for haircuts and transportation and rooming on a vacation, but it is also at this age that the cost of attending a movie more than triples.

Youngsters over 12 years old are required to pay \$1.50 or \$1.80 to view a neighborhood movie while by state law they are restricted from such part-time employment that might enable them to earn such sums until they are 16. A fact which even further deepens the economic depression of these students is that it is during the early teen years that dating becomes popular, which in itself doubles the price of movie entertainment.

A NUMBER OF Nilehi students have collected a thousand teen signatures to petition for a reduction in theater prices for students from 12 to 17 years of age. "We have no wish to be admitted to Adults Only movies," reads their petition, "but cannot afford Adults Only prices. We enjoy movies, but feel we are being priced out of the movie market, and pray consideration for our limited incomes and adjustment of movie admissions costs accordingly."

Chicagoland theaters might take heed of this statement or soon discover they have lost what could have been their most avid supporter, the teenager.

Southern Illinois University's Glee Club Performs at Nilehi

"WE ARE the men of song," declares the motto of the Southern Illinois University Glee Club which appeared at Nilehi East this morning.

The group, in its second season, has a large repertoire, according to Mr. Bill Lyons of the University, "which can be varied to suit the taste of the audience and can switch from white tie and tails to the guitar and harmonica atmosphere of the folk song and spiri-

tual."

The Glee Club is directed by Mr. Robert Kingsbury, who has sung on such well known television shows as Perry Como, Dinah Shore, Arthur Godfrey, and the Bell Telephone Hour.

IN ITS PROGRAMS, the Glee Club has often combined the presentation of popular songs as "Moon River" with such classical masterpieces as Johannes Brahms' "Rhapsody for Contralto and Male Chorus Opus 53."



WORKING on the program for the Mock Constitutional Convention to be held at East April 10-11 are Seymour Bearak, '65 convention secretary, and Rick Streicher, '64, student delegate chairman. The convention will bring students from 15 north suburban high schools to Niles to adopt a new sample constitution for the state.

Lounge and Learn

Seniors Enjoy Heated Discussions in Comfort

by Anita Weintraub

STUDENTS LOUNGE on couches, but they're not having a psychoanalysis session. They discuss writings from Dante to Dostoevsky, but it's not, strictly speaking, a class. It is English Seminar, a group of eight seniors who meet daily during seventh period for informal discussions about certain books in particular and literature in general.

This informality is explained by the atmosphere of the "hideaway" where sessions are held. Listed on IBM cards as Room 140A, it is actually a lounge furnished with upholstered chairs, a couch, and a bookcase. "It's the ideal location for a seminar," said Senior Dale Melcher. "We can relax much more than in a regular class, and ideas just seem to flow."

AT THE BEGINNING of the year Mrs. Alice Green, the group's sponsor, suggested creating a Seminar for interested English 71 students. Seniors participating in the



"GO TELL IT on the Mountain," not the folk song, but the book by James Baldwin is Mrs. Alice Green's subject in . . .

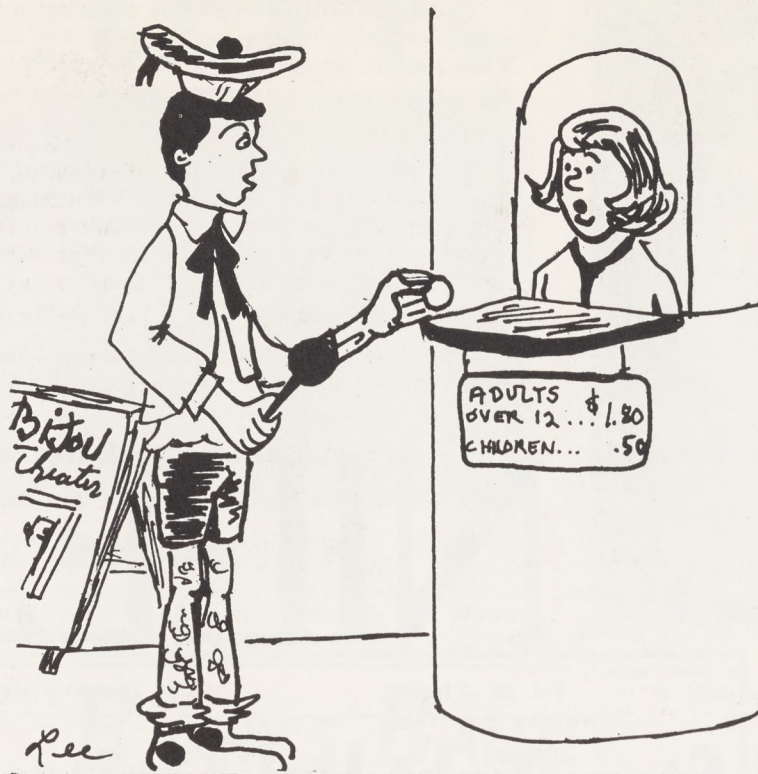
program are Glenn Winter, Mark Swirsky, Irene Silverman, Bob Horvitz, Dale Melcher, Joel Weinstein, Helene Levin, and Stewart Spies.

They currently are working on a program of independent study, in which each is tracing a certain theme in literature. Irene and Helene, for example, have chosen the status of women in society, while Stew is doing research on the use of the supernatural in major literary works.

"MRS. GREEN guides our discussions, but we're also free to follow our own paths," said Mark. "The group is like a college seminar, because we choose the books we want to study and read them at a convenient pace."

Conversations become intense and often heated, but never dull. "One day we were arguing about a book, and we forgot about the time," laughed Dale. "We didn't hear the dismissal bell and the next thing we knew it was five minutes to four: We had all missed our buses, but the discussion we'd had was worth it," she concluded.

Under 12?



Remarcs... by Marc Zwelling

SPRING HAS TAKEN on a new meaning for me — I've just finished reading "Walden." Now "Walden," in case you don't know, is the non-fiction scourge of the Senior English Classes. It's a compact chronology written about 100 years ago by a character named Henry David Thoreau, who skips town one day and goes to live on the shores of Walden Pond (hence, the catchy, clever title).

Now Henry David would be a rather tolerable sort of fellow if he just wouldn't get hung up so often. I mean he goes from one hang up to another. And this guy can get hung up on anything — an owl, a frozen pond, two ants, anything.

TAKE THE TIME Henry gets hung up on this loon that's cruising around Walden Pond. Henry spies the loon, hops into his boat, and (hang onto your hats, this'll kill 'ya) starts chasing the stupid loon all around the pond. For no reason at all. I get yelled at if I daydream in class a little, but ol' HDT can chase a loon for two hours, and it's great literature. Let me tell you, I think there were two loons on Walden Pond that day.

But to return to my premise. Spring has indeed become more meaningful to me since reading "Wal-

den." Thoreau told me that springtime is the season of the great purge, the divine cleansing of the earth — a glorious re-birth and re-creation of Mother Nature's kingdom of flora and fauna. I can see it here at Niles East.

THE WISPY SPRING breezes waft the salty smells of the biology rooms through the school, and I know that Nature herself is blowing refreshment into those third floor stench pockets.

Down in the cafeteria the stimulating aromas of the springtime herbs and spices permeate the food, and the trays, and the cashiers, and the tables, and the students (whew). But I know that if I lived through the food of winter I can survive anything — even the new culinary creations of spring.

AND SPRING BRINGS to me new appreciations of the blue and orange colored denizens that romp across the campus during that supreme treat of spring, the outdoor gym class. Ol' Henry would have loved to see those staunch, virile bodies limbering athletically in the springtime air. He would have enjoyed watching the boys, too.

Yes, spring has taken on new dimensions since I read "Walden." I think I'll go chase a loon.

Letters to the Editor

Lack of Candidates for Council Positions Revealed

DEAR EDITOR,

I WOULD LIKE to take this opportunity to inform the students who will attend Niles East next year of the grave problem that con-

fronts the student body and what could eventually mean the loss of our only voice to the administration. I am referring to the small showing of prospective officers for

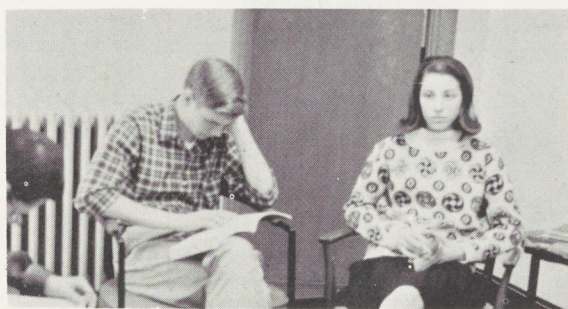
our Student Council.

As it stands at the present time, there have been two persons for each of the offices of president, vice-president and secretary. As yet there has been only one person to announce candidacy for the office of treasurer.

APPARENTLY THERE are hundreds of students in this school who care little about both Niles East and themselves.

Sincerely,

Al Feder, Chairman
Rules, Regulations and
Election Committee,
Student Council



... ENGLISH SEMINAR, a special Senior English course taken by eight English 81 students as a supplement to their regular work. Discussing the controversial book with Mrs. Green are Student Teacher Judith Rosenfield and Seminar students Mark Swirsky, Glenn Winter, and Dale Melcher.

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CHIPS OFF THE OLD BLOCK are Sophomore Lucia and Senior Rita Kavanaugh as they practice looking efficient like their father, Principal J. Keith Kavanaugh.

A MATTER OF PRINCIPAL

How To Succeed While Trying

KISSING HER father as he hands her a diploma is the dream of Senior Rita Kavanaugh, Principal J. Keith Kavanaugh's daughter.

"Although Daddy doesn't usually hand out the diplomas, I hope that I can persuade him to do it this year," Rita relates.

Her sister Lucia, '66, enjoys having her father as principal. "I'm friendlier because of my father," she comments. "People I don't know feel they have something in common with me and don't hesitate to start a conversation."

No Partiality, But Free Taxi Service

Teachers show no partiality for the girls, and Rita finds she has to work extra hard to prove she's not "trying to get away with anything."

Fringe benefits are a taxi service to school each morning and a ride home when the nurse declares a 99.1.

Do Rita and Lucia represent the student body by bringing grievances and problems to their father?

"No they don't" replies Dr. Kavanaugh. "I rarely talk to Rita and Lucia during the school day, as I only see them in school a couple of times a week."

School Problems Rarely Discussed

The Kavanaughs maintain a sharp separation between school and home.

The principal says his daughters "do not act as 'informers.' I think it would be bad to put them in such a position. I avoid talking about school problems with them."

But his daughters are aware of Dr. Kavanaugh's presence in school. "We were so proud last year at an assembly when he stopped the national anthem because some students were disrespectful," boasts Rita, a member of choir and president of Tri-Hi-Y.

"I think daddy sounds too formal on the PA and he's really very casual at home," adds Lucia, who painted the pictures that adorn her father's office.

Also adorning the office is a trophy awarded to Dr. Kavanaugh for a 50-mile hike. The girls revealed that he is quite an outdoorsman. They have seen him skin a rabbit and have gone on several camp-outs.

The principal is indulgent with his daughters, but boys are slightly leery of dating them and just a little on edge when they sit down at the Kavanaugh dinner table.

"One boy couldn't stop shaking my father's hand," laughs Rita.

Less Adult Supervision, Urges Dick

"HIGH SCHOOL is a training ground for teens who will soon become adults. They should be given an opportunity to show their increasing maturity."

These are the words of Dick Minors, a period supervisor in SSO and a three sport letterman, describing the role of the high school.

"I think there should be less adult regulation of student activities because self-discipline teaches a student to cope more effectively with his problems," he noted.

"Of course, there will always be a few individuals who won't cooperate, but the majority will benefit greatly."

Dick was selected by his teammates as captain of the football and baseball teams this year and as honorary basketball captain last season. He plans to attend the University of Illinois at Champaign, where he will pursue a career in journalism or physical education.

Recalling his most thrilling moment in high school, Dick looks to the baseball team's victory over Notre Dame in last year's state district competition.

STILL LOOKING back, the Senior Cabinet alternate recalls some of the things he feels he should have accomplished.

"First, I should have devoted more time to improving my grades. Next, I should have become active in student government," says Dick. "Student Council plays an important part in school life, and I would like to have been more involved with its operation."

The N-Club vice president is eagerly awaiting graduation and the change that college will offer. Yet he has regrets.

"I'll miss Niles and the things it represents. I'll especially miss seeing the people I have known and worked with for such a long time," confides Dick.



Dick Minors

Seen Any Robins Lately?

Springtime Contradicts the Calendar; Comes Early, Say Weather Watchers

TODAY IS the first day of spring, but most people can usually tell before March 20 when spring has arrived.

Easily recognizable signs are associated with springtime. In spring, young men's fancies return to the girls they liked the previous spring; the race to secure a summer job starts; and, through the help of commercialization, we realize that bock beer is back.

MOST PEOPLE can step outdoors on a brisk morning and inhale the fresh air and have no doubt that spring has arrived. Junior Greg Gunderson employs this technique, but with a variation for Suburbia. When he smells the fer-

tilizer that people put on their lawns, he knows it is spring.

Spring fever, a sure sign of the season, brings a slowing down of the mental processes. Junior Ted Joseph can detect the fever when he is four credits down instead of two.

SPRING FEVER also occurs with Sophomore Zachary Pinas, who, every year at this time, gets a little under the weather—whether or not to put off his homework till winter, that is.

Some people, however, can't get used to doing anything springish, such as mowing the lawn. They insist on shoveling the back yard. These people, as Senior Bob Wal-

ner suggests, should see nature's proof — the groundhogs coming out to see who's shoveling their holes.

Because Springtime is the courting season, Junior Dick Wolf knows it's spring when snow disappears from the tennis courts.

Springtime is here to enjoy, but remember there are storm winds to take down, summer clothes to wash, and spring cleaning to do first.

Nile-Eye-Lites



IN THEIR SECOND CHILDHOOD, Juniors Gale Levy and Linda Belue use a doll to demonstrate the proper way to hold an infant. These girls learn the "hows" of home and child care in the Home Arts courses.

Rock-a-bye Baby

Girls 'Play House' in Class

"WHAT A LITTLE doll," say the girls of Child Care 2 as they practice carrying, feeding, and bathing their "babies." They're not kidding; they actually do work with life-size models of human infants.

Of course, the girls sometimes have trouble remembering that the dolls, for an hour a day, have come alive. "Don't drop the baby!" is often the agonized plea of Teacher Elizabeth Andekian, as girls absent-mindedly dangle their "dollies" by an arm or a leg.

Besides preparing girls to look after children, the Home Economics Department makes sure they will take good care of their husbands. During a Foods 2 class, Room 227 is often full of the aroma of tomato soup cake or apple pie (without apples). Miss Florence Butler, who teaches this course in creative cookery, refused to reveal how the latter phenomenon was accomplished. "If you want to find out," she chuckled, "you'll have to take the course."

IF ANY of the students in Foods 2 find Hawaiian or Japanese spouses, they will be well prepared, for the class is planning meals from countries around the world. If they marry Americans, the girls will be able to provide a welcome change from the national meal of the USA—hamburgers.

JUNIOR LINDA Frank summed up the practical attitude of many girls in home economics classes. "After all," she reasoned, "will physics or history courses help us cook a meal when we're married?"

X-changes made

by Doug Clarke

FROM WEST LEYDEN High School (Northlake, Ill.) comes the report that Dick Biondi, the world's loudest DJ, has returned. The "Wild Italian" can be heard in the Chicago area on WGSB, St. Charles, from 9 to 11 p.m. every week night . . .

THE CREATIVE writing class at Henry Ford High School (Detroit, Mich.) is producing a satire on monster movies. The stirring epic, entitled "Trials of a Tiny Troll," or "The Son of Fink," features misunderstood supernatural teen-age creations. Members of the cast have described the beginning and ending as "trash," with the in-between scenes passing as "mediocre" to "atrocious" . . .

EVER WONDER what many of the abbreviations that we see every day really stand for? The Titan Torch of Fenger High School (Chicago, Ill.) recently exposed a few examples: PTA — Parents Tell All, OSS — Older Sister Spying, COD — Charge Old Dad, SOS — Son Operating Shaver, AFL-CIO — Adults Feel Lazy — Call Idle Offspring . . .

A NEW TYPE of record craze is taking Thornton High School (Harvey, Ill.) by storm. The "Concited—I Love Me Survey" consists only of egotistical masterpieces. The Beatles' big hit is "I Love Me! And I Know That Can't Be Bad." Not to be outdone, The Four Seasons retaliated with "Dawn, Go Away, I'm Too Good For You," and Country and Western fans dig "I Am My Sunshine" the most.

Coming Up

TONIGHT
Orchestrals Recital
"Apostasy"
TUESDAY, MARCH 24
N-Club—Faculty Game
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25
Spring Recess Begins
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1
School Resumes
FRIDAY, APRIL 17
Next NILEHILITE

Gymnasts, Fencers, State Runners-Up

Suritz, Harris, Pace Nilesmen In State Invite

COACH ROBERT KEEN'S varsity fencers gave the Trojans another second place in state competition, by finishing in the second spot in last Saturday's Illinois State Invitational Fencing Meet.

The Nilesmen scored 41 points in the competition, second only to Chicago Marshall's 50 points in the Champaign-Urbana competition. Leading the Easterners to their runner-up position were Junior Chuck Suritz, second overall with a 7-1 meet record, and Sophomore Harvey Harris, third with a 5-3 record. Actually, Harris tied with another fencer in won-lost records, but was awarded third place because he had fewer points scored against him in the meet.

Coach Keen also served as meet manager, and was responsible for the organization and supervision of the meet.

Besides Suritz and Harris, other fencers taking part in the state competition were Sophomores Peter Trobe and Glenn Kalin, and Senior George Kite.

Trojanettes

Apostasy Bows Tonight

LEAPING LEOTARDS! The Orchestris modern dance concert, "Apostasy," comes to the auditorium tonight at 8:15 p.m. Tickets are 35 cents for students, 75 cents for adults, and will be sold at the door.

Trojanette gymnasts will perform this week, Tuesday, March 24, after school in the Girls' Gym.

Led by captains Candy Steadman, '65, and Marilyn Beilin, '64, the two divisions of the girls' gymnastics team will compete on the mats, even and uneven parallel bars, rings, horse, high bar, and balance beam.

The meet was organized by Mrs. Shelby Reese and will be run according to Suburban League procedure.



COPPING THEIR SECOND

consecutive 2nd-place in the Illinois State Gymnastics meet were Coach John Riccitelli and the Varsity gymnasts (left to right, top row) Manager Joe Arkin, Mel Winer, Ralph Stern, Mike Snider, Al Gerber, Leon Cooperman, (second row) Coach Riccitelli, Mark Kaplan, Mark Kann, Arnold Lazar, Dale Hardt, Marc Slotten, Barry Slotten, (third row) John Davis, Mark Lazar, Ron Rapper, Steve Wolf, and Rick Block.

BARRY'S BANTER

by Barry Perelgut
SPORTS EDITOR

THE WINTER SPORTS season ends tomorrow with the Illinois High School Association state basketball tournament at the University of Illinois. The cage championship is the fifth winter tourney sponsored by the IHSA. The others were in wrestling, swimming, gymnastics, and fencing.

During the tourney season, the Suburban League has maintained its standing as the top athletic conference in the state, with SL representatives capturing two firsts, two seconds, two thirds, a fourth, and two fifths against the best teams in Illinois.

In wrestling, the Waukegan Bulldogs took their second straight state title, with the Proviso East Pirates placing fourth and our own Niles East Trojans taking fifth.

New Trier's Indians won the state swimming crown with the Evanston Wildkits taking the runner-up spot. During the regular season, New Trier's squad broke three national records and was rated the number one high school team in the United States.

The Suburban League placed three teams among the top five in the state gymnastics tournament last week. Niles East took second, only two and one-half points away from the title, with Evanston third and Proviso East fifth.

Our Trojans also took a second in fencing, finishing behind Marshall High of Chicago's Public League, the largest prep conference in the nation.

Four Men of Troy gained individual stardom by placing first in state meets. Senior Howie Rosenbaum won the 103-pound wrestling championship by beating New Trier's Don Joseph.

In gymnastics, Seniors Dale Hardt and Marc Slotten took the state tumbling and side horse titles, respectively, while Sophomore Ron Rapper was the number one performer on the parallel bars.

Four other Trojans placed in the top three individual positions in state meets. Junior Chuck Suritz finished in second place in the fencing tourney and Senior Mark Kann was second to Waukegan's Fred Dennis on the still rings in the gymnastics meet.

'N' Men vs. Faculty

EAST'S LETTERMEN will play host to the faculty, Tuesday, March 23 at 7:30 in the contest gymnasium. A preliminary game will feature the "N"-club juniors against the Skokie firemen.

Tickets will be sold at the door for 50 cents.

Carrying the Suburban League banner in the cage tourney tonight and tomorrow are the Evanston Wildkits. The Kits won the Evanston Supersectional by beating Chicago's Crane Tech 55-53 and play their quarterfinal game tonight.

Diamondmen Optimistic; Ten Lettermen Key Squad

by Al Schaps

COACH NICK ODLIVAK'S varsity baseballers look to their April 4 opening game at Glenbrook North with an optimism well based in experience.

Ten returning lettermen from last year's fifth place Suburban League squad are the reason for this optimism.

With the exception of the Class of '63's Bob Lis, the team that faces the 'Brooks could be the same squad that bombed Notre Dame 11-5 in last year's state regional tournament.

The returning Senior lettermen are outfielders Mark Newburger, Bob Walner, Fred Fishman, Al Harris, and Tony Melas; infielders Dick Minors and Bob Shearn; catcher Larry Sacks; pitcher Al Manasin; and pitcher-infielder Bob Gevirtz.

Up from last year's Sophomore squad are catcher Reid Flammang and pitcher-infielder Red Schaeffer. Coach Oddivak also expects good work from Sophomore pitcher Paul Lazarus.

The Suburban League baseball race should be a tight one this year, as Oak Park, the 1963 championship team, was hurt by graduation.

Gym-men Rally, But Fall Short

by Steve Bernstein

SO NEAR, YET SO very far away.

East's Suburban League championship gymnastics team came within 2½ points of winning the state championship last Saturday, at the home of the Willowbrook Warriors, who did take the crown.

The gymnasts, who easily swept to their district championship, fell short of defeating Willowbrook, who had 56½ points, but managed to edge the defending state champion Evanston Wildkits, who placed third with 53 points.

East suffered a series of disheartening events throughout the meet. The first was that Senior Arnie Lazar failed to qualify for the finals on either horizontal bar or parallel bars and by so doing placed ninth in all-around competition. Secondly, Junior John Davis missed qualifying by 1 point, as he took an eleventh place in the preliminary round.

Senior Leon Cooperman hit the trampoline shocks and was eliminated. Junior Mark Kaplan also failed to qualify on high bar.

Saturday night, Troy suffered a bad blow when the defending state champion on the trampoline, Dale Hardt, fell into the shocks and placed in seventh position.

Despite these misfortunes, East rallied and came within inches of pulling out the title.

Three Trojans became state champions. They are Dale Hardt, who, following his trampoline mishap, came on to cop the tumbling trophy; Senior Marc Slotten, whose sidehorse routine earned him more points than any of the meet's competitors at 187; and Sophomore Ron Rapper, who become East's first sophomore state champion on the parallel bars.

Other gym-men taking individual honors were Seniors Mark Kann, second place on still rings; Rick Block, third place in tumbling.

Troy, who retained the second place which it won last year, was given a spark of hope when defending tumbling champion Harold Shaw of Urbana injured his ankle and was forced to withdraw from competition but couldn't take advantage. The vacancy opened the way for East to acquire points enough to win the crown; however, the surprising finish of a Willowbrook sophomore ended all of Troy's title hopes.

On behalf of the Nilehilite, I would

like to congratulate Coach John Riccitelli and his excellent gymnasts and compliment them on a "championship quality" performance in last week's competition.

Raiders Unbeaten, Travel Outdoors

EAST'S VARSITY TRACK squad is looking to the outdoor season optimistically, according to Coach Dave McCarrell. The cindermen, who took fifth in last week's SL meet, and finished the indoor season with an 11-0 record, are confident, yet they have reason to be somewhat cautious.

"The outdoor season features much tougher competition," noted Coach McCarrell. "This is because so many of the better athletes in the SL are involved in sports other than indoor track."

Last week's SL competition at Morton West saw Junior Neil Chertack shatter the existing pole vault record by leaping 13 feet ½ inch. Other Trojans placing were Seniors Ron Banion, second in the shot-put; Phil Becker, fourth in the broad jump and 440-yard run; and the 4-lap relay team of Becker and Juniors Ron Kaufman, Daryl Cohen, and Gary Simon, second place finishers.

Oak Park's Huskies copped the meet, and the 'Kits of Evanston finished second.

Netmen, Golfers Ready

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NILES EAST'S GOLF and tennis teams are busily preparing for their coming seasons.

The varsity tennis team, coached by Mr. Steve Morgan, opens its season April 4, against Niles West.

According to Coach Morgan, the senior doubles team of Dennis Dicks and Bob Poindexter should highlight the season's play. Both boys are lettermen.

Other returning lettermen include Senior Stan Rossman, and Juniors Ron Siegal and Steve Williams.

The team, which finished in a tie for fifth last season, also will feature Juniors Dick Wolf and Bob Goodfriend, who played on the sophomore team last year.

"We have a fairly well balanced team and would like to finish above .500 this year," commented Coach Morgan.

The varsity golf team opens its season on April 21 against Maine East.

Coach Tom Kiviluoma has Senior lettermen Bob Ruttenberg, Steve Silverman, Ron Rojo, and Ron Pearlman to bolster this year's team.

The team also will feature Junior Karl Gabbey, who, according to Coach Kiviluoma, should be one of the outstanding golfers of the season.



AWAITING THE START

of the baseball season, April 4, are returning lettermen (above left) Larry Sacks (kneeling) and Bob Shearn, and (below) Coach Oddivak, Al Harris, Al Manasin, Bob Walner, Tony Melas, and Fred Fishman.