

James Puff and Brian Katzman prepare to recruit teeny boppers to the 50's sock hop. (Photo by Jeff Silver)

Clubs hold sock hop

Students are invited to "rock around the clock" at the '50's dance on Thursday, February 7, in the student lounge from 7 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

The proceeds from the dance, sponsored by the Dragonettes and Junior Cabinet, will be used to support Prom '80.

Various contests such as a twist contest and a greaser contest (the best dressed greaser) will be held and prizes awarded.

BRIAN "DOC" KATZMAN and a couple of students will be disc jockeys as they play records and tapes with music from the '50's. "We had a '50's

dance four years ago and it went great! Now the '50's music is coming back," commented James O. Puff, advisor of the Dragonettes.

"It's going to be a fun night. You don't have to be dressed up or have a date," added Puff. Tickets may be purchased for \$1 from Puff, Brian Katzman, or any Jr. Cabinet member or Dragonette.

"We hope everyone will turn out," said Puff. "We want to try to make the last prom the best. If we're going to close, let's close right. We'll go out in style," he concluded.

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**Good Luck
On Exams!**

Junior Cabinet plans Prom '80

Prom '80 will be held Friday, May 30, in the Wellington Ballroom at the Continental Plaza. The Dick Single Orchestra will provide the music.

Junior Cabinet, sponsor of prom, will be conducting various activities to raise money. These include a bake sale, a co-sponsored '50's dance, and a Bachelor Day on February 29 when girls will send a token of admiration to

the boys in the school according to Miss Adele Higgins, Junior Cabinet advisor.

"PROM IS the last big event that Niles East will ever have before it closes and therefore we want the best, and we need support," commented Miss Higgins. She continued, "We hope we'll have a big turnout because it's going to be a success."



Some members of the Jr. Cabinet presently working on Prom '80 include from left, clockwise: Robert Hunsick, Pam Puertolono, Alison Kleiman, Michael Larks, Sue Spraggins, and Debbie Kronowitz.

Board plans to sell East

On Thursday, January 24, 1980, the School Board developed a draft of specifications for the sale of East.

According to Dr. Wesley F. Gibbs, District Superintendent, the bidders feel the School Board will have to guarantee some zoning that will provide for multiple dwellings under planned unit development. These dwellings may be condominiums, houses, or a combination of both.

THE DEVELOPERS are afraid of the risk. The builders feel that if the Board would allow them to take the site in sections, in a "take-out plan," it would help them and also make the property more valuable.

Others thought it would be better to have a single plan for the whole area. Some builders even indicated that they may want to save a piece of the building.

The School Board will be given tentative terms for the draft of specifications on February 11, 1980, and will hopefully approve them by February 25th.

"WE HOPE to take bids on March 21," explained Gibbs. He mentioned that they would very much like to see Oakton take the property. "It is a likely development that East will be sold," he concluded.

Kaiser accepts new job

Tom Kaiser, metals teacher, will be taking a leave of absence for the second semester to accept a job as service manager at Schaumburg Honda after seven years of teaching at East.

Kaiser worked at a Honda motorcycle dealership in Palatine during the summer of '70, '71, and '72 while he was in college and also the summers of '75 and '79. In 1977, the dealership changed hands. The new owners are constructing a new building in Schaumburg which should be completed by February.

THE OWNERS plan to start a car repair service for Honda cars, even though they don't sell new Honda cars.

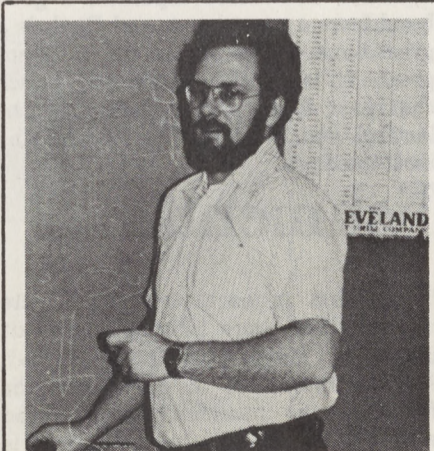
"They needed someone with an automotive background," explained Kaiser who also taught auto mechanics at East for five years previously. "I've never worked professionally on cars though, just motorcycles. I get a great deal of satisfaction from that kind of problem solving, gratification in fixing whatever is wrong," he commented.

KAISER IS taking a leave of absence now instead of at the end of the school year because he wants to help the owners move into the new building and set up for the motorcycle season. "Things get heavy in June and July but things pick up in March. That's when all the activity starts," he

stated. This leaves the owners about a month to set everything up.

"I'm looking forward to it. I want to be part of the whole deal as it starts."

"I feel it's a good opportunity in that I hope my position will grow as the business grows. The owners are planning to increase the size of the building in two or three years by adding a 40 foot addition for car repair service. Looking ahead, I hope that there will be several guys working for me. Initially I'll be working on most of the cars."



Tom Kaiser will be taking a leave of absence after 7 years of teaching. (photo by Jeff Silver)

Porter defeats Weinberger

John Edward Porter, a former state legislator from Evanston, was declared the winner of the special 10th Congressional District election Tuesday, January 22. The final totals were 36,891 for Porter; and 30,928 for his Democratic opponent, Robert A. Weinberger, a Glencoe attorney.

The 10th District, nationally noted for close elections, had only 25 percent of its registered voters turn out, a fact which was most likely influenced by the cold, snowy weather that raged most of Tuesday. Although Porter was unavailable for comment since he was in Washington being sworn in, Mitch Roob, coordinator of students for his campaign stated, "I felt the weather definitely helped Weinberger," adding that in poor weather, fewer people tend to leave their houses to vote.

WEINBERGER, however, disagreed. "I would say that Tuesday was both a victory and a defeat. With one-tenth of the money, one-tenth of the time, along with ten times the effort, we did better than anyone had expected us to do. I don't think the weather had anything to do with it," he said.

Both candidates were impressed with the success of former incumbent Abner Mikva's "youth corps", which helped defeat Porter in the 1978 elections. Then, in March, 1979, President Carter nominated Mikva for a federal judgeship. Porter, who had not disbanded his organization, filed for candidacy. When Mikva was approved for the appointment, Porter's campaign was already well under way. Weinberger, on the other hand, campaigned for approximately three months with a young staff, most veterans of former Mikva campaigns.

Both men are to face two party challengers in the March 18 primary — Porter will have to face State Senator John Nimrod, whom he easily defeated in the special-election primary of December 11; and Weinberger will face Thomas Flynn of Maine Township.

KEY ISSUES in the campaign included nuclear power, SALT II, and campaign funding, although by the regular November elections, many other issues will separate the candidates and possibly aid voters in deciding who the November victor will be.

EXAM SCHEDULE

	February 5, 1980	February 6, 1980	February 7, 1980
8-8:15 a.m.	Arrival	Arrival	Arrival
8:15-9:30 a.m.	Period 1 Exams	Period 5 Exams	Period 9 Exams
9:30-9:45 a.m.	Break	Break	Break
9:45-11 a.m.	Period 2-3 Exams	Period 6-7 Exams	Period 10-11 Exams
11-11:15 a.m.	Break	Break	Break
11:15-12:30 a.m.	Period 4 Exams	Period 8 Exams	Period 12 Exams
1 p.m.	Departure	Departure	Departure

IMPORTANT DATES

Fri., Feb. 8, 1980	No school — Institute
Mon., Feb. 11, 1980	No school for students. Some counselors will be on duty for schedule changes.
Tue., Feb. 12, 1980	No school — Lincoln's Birthday
Wed., Feb. 13, 1980	Opening day of second semester. Home-room will be held from 8-8:15 a.m.

Prom lacks funds; needs more support

As Prom '80 draws near, the massive money shortage facing its sponsors becomes more and more urgent. At this point Junior Cabinet, sponsors of prom, are several thousand dollars short of the funds needed to put on the prom which is scheduled to be held on May 30.

The money problems are the result of many factors including mismanagement, internal problems, and the ever popular "student apathy." "Student attitudes have changed in recent years which can account for some of our money problems," stated Miss Adele Higgins, Junior Cabinet's advisor. She also added that much more support is needed from the students if Prom '80 is to go on as scheduled in four months.

MAUREEN STATLAND, co-chairperson of Prom '80, cited problems within the cabinet itself as another cause of the current money situation. "Due to internal problems we are not doing so well." She continued, "If

enough students don't take interest and help us, either by joining the cabinet or by supporting our money-making campaigns, we will not have a prom this year."

Although the situation seems bleak, there is help on the way. James Puff, chief of school security, and Brian Katzman, athletic trainer, have developed an admirable plan to aid the failing Junior Cabinet. They have enlisted the help of Puff's office monitors, or Dragonettes, in sponsoring a '50's style sock-hop to be held on February 7. The cabinet itself is planning many fund-raising events such as a bake sale, something for leap year day, and an ad booklet in which students can have their names printed.

The Nilehilite staff urges all students to support Prom '80. Prom is a schoolwide event in which all should take interest. As Statland said, "I think this should be the best prom, not a non-existent prom."

Nilehilite praises Matchmaker production

Adventure is an integral factor in everyone's life. The myriad of characters in "The Matchmaker" comically strive for adventure in their dull lives, and eventually attain it at the end of the play. The January 24, 25 and 26 productions of "The Matchmaker" were excellent, capturing the human need for adventure implicit in Thornton Wilder's play.

The play's plot centers around the search by Horace Vandergelder, a miserly Yonkers merchant, for a wife to help him domestically but mainly to add "spice to his life." To this end, he employs Mrs. Dolly Levi who eventually cajoles him into marrying her.

WHILE LEVI IS still Vandergelder's matchmaker she arranges a meeting between Vandergelder and a prospective fiancée, Mrs. Malloy, a widow. Before leaving for the trip Vandergelder delegates responsibility over the store of senior clerk Cornelius Hackl. Hackl then promptly decides

that he is in need of some adventure too. So 33-year-old Hackl departs for New York along with 17-year-old junior clerk Barnaby Tucker, their goals being to almost get arrested, to have a fine meal and to kiss some girls. By the end of the play, all of these goals have been fulfilled, and all of the characters have resolved their need for adventure.

One of the outstanding facets of the performance and the play itself is the soliloquies done by major and minor characters. In one such speech Malachi Stack, a newly employed clerk defends the right of individuals to have one vice. "It is the lecherous liars that bring vice to disrepute," he says. Stack also comments that virtue can be a vice if it is imposed on people.

East Theatre Department's "The Matchmaker" was a play of near professional quality. Special praise should go to Jerry Proffit for all the time and effort he invested in its production.

Album Reviews

Rush expands musical horizons

At last Rush has released its new album, "Permanent Waves." It is a departure from their past works and is much more relaxed.

Side one opens with "The Spirit of Radio." This is a good song done in typical Rush style: The keyboards and guitars playing harmoniously in the background with the drums pacing, not overpowering the air waves. The band's lyrics always try to tell a story or convey a feeling, as evidenced by the line from "The Spirit of Radio:

The words of the prophets were written on the stadium wall, The concert hall.

THE SIDE PROGRESSES up until "Jacob's Ladder." This is the best song on the disc. All the instruments in this cut complement each other perfectly. The keyboards are what gives the song balance. Near the end the keyboard is singled out to do a solo. Bells are playing in the background, and the cut as a whole sounds like something from a sci-fi movie.

Side two starts exactly where side one ends, with the keyboards putting out a sound that seems to come from a different universe in the song "Ertre Nous."

This album is slower than previous Rush albums. There are only six songs on the album and each is five minutes long. The group seems to be exploring the musical horizon, experimenting with different sounds, something most groups don't try to do.

THAT IS WHAT separates a good band from a great band, and Rush is a great band. However, the record is not great. It lacks the power and punch that past Rush albums had. But the lack of punch is made up for by fine instrumentals.

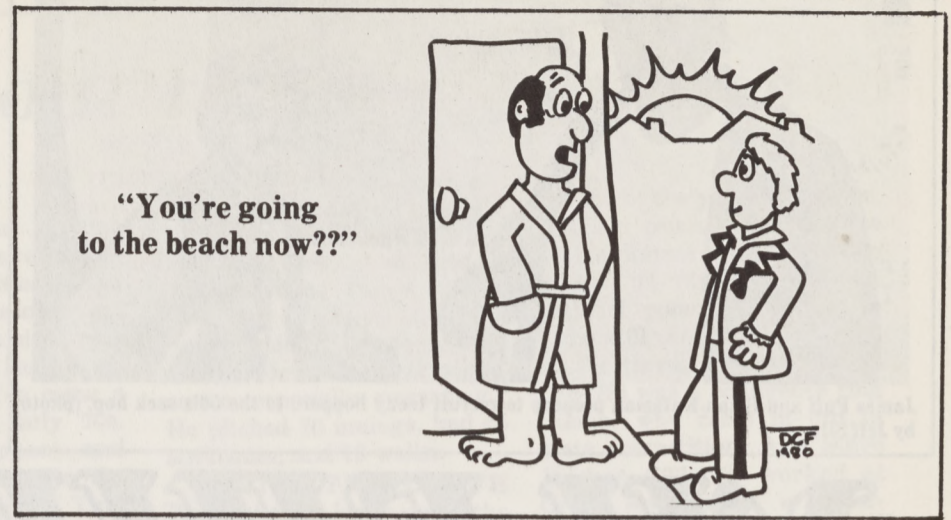
Senate reviews accomplishments

by Julia Bienias

Student Senate has been very active over the past few months. Most notable of its activities was its participation in the meeting of the three Niles Township student councils with the spokesman of the Iranian consulate in Chicago.

In school and community news, a lighting committee has been formed by members of the community to raise money for stadium lights at West.

ON THE DOMESTIC side of Senate, the Exchange Committee is making much progress toward student club exchanges during the second semester. On Wednesday, December 19, the faculty sponsor of West's student representative assembly (SRA) attended the regular meeting of Senate to discuss the subject and its problems. A regular report of this subcommittee



observer

Draft registration leads us closer to war

david eingorn

"Hell no, I won't go," I said to myself as I listened to President Carter's January 27 State of the Union message. The proposed reestablishment of draft registration is a victory for the advocates of military preparedness, and perhaps a return to the Cold War mentality.

Military preparedness doesn't mean smartly dressed G.I.'s marching up and down State Street with gleaming rifles during Fourth of July parades, but a government's preparation for death and destruction through war. Draft registration is a key step toward the mobilization aspect of military preparedness.

MILITARY PREPAREDNESS has never been a war deterrent in the modern world, as some pro-defense legislators may wish to suggest. Arms build-ups and troop readiness have always meant war, not peace. Hitler's Third Reich is a prime example.

If a war between the United States and the Soviet Union proved to be imminent, draft registration would fail to be as advantageous as pro-draft people would suggest. In a war between the United States and the Soviet Union, the deployment of nuclear weapons is a real possibility. If nuclear weapons were to be used, the war would be over soon before any draft numbers could be called out.

The philosophy of winning a nuclear war as expounded by presidential candidate George Bush, among others,

is responsible for the real possibility of nuclear war. These people believe that the side that comes out with the fewer number of millions dead wins such a war.

IT IS time for both the United States and the Soviet Union to abandon the cold war mentality and begin to negotiate serious arms reductions. If not, it may be too late for all of us.

Report cards to arrive soon

by Helaine Silver

IT NEVER occurred to me how many people got copies of my grades until December 7, when the last marking period ended. And now with the end of another marking period so near, it's been difficult getting a good night's sleep.

Every night it's the same nightmare. I get good grades in all of my classes with the exception of math, which I flunk. That in itself may seem tolerable, but the thought of my homeroom teacher announcing the fact to my entire homeroom is just too much. And then without warning, my counselor calls for an appointment, leaving a message that he wants to "discuss" my math grade.

IT SOON turns into something like one of those really bad sci-fi movies on Channel 44. I see Mr. Hosler snickering and pointing at me in the hall, and I keep getting condescending looks from classmates who were bright enough to get D's in math. The registrar refuses to speak to me, or change my schedule. And even the janitor looks like he's plotting against me.

Walking through downtown Skokie becomes a harrowing experience. I'm not even allowed to walk into Herman Miller's because the garbageman who collects the garbage at the school and at the store mentioned it to Herman in passing.

I've never worked so hard in math before. I'll probably flunk French, instead.

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'Con man' discusses techniques

Other than being a Pan American airline pilot, assistant attorney general of Louisiana, and millionaire, all before the ripe old age of twenty, retired con artist Frank W. Abagnale, Jr. is much like any other man.

The tenth grade graduate visited East on January 18 as a special service to DECA students to help protect America's free enterprise system. Abagnale has appeared on "The Tonight Show" seven times in the past year, and plans to host it during the second week of March. He has also appeared on talk shows such as "Donahue!" and "The Mike Douglas Show," as well as "The Love Boat."

IN ADDITION to sharing his interesting life story, Abagnale instructs how to protect against forgery, spot hot checks, recognize fraud, and beat quick change artists. He is able to do this well because he perpetrated all these cons in his own past.

"At sixteen, I ran away to become a Pan American airline pilot, and at nineteen I became assistant attorney general of Louisiana," he said. He accomplished all this through his cunning. He became a millionaire because he wrote "over two and a half million dollars worth of bad checks."

"All the time I wanted to get caught in a way," he now claims, "because I knew I couldn't live the rest of my life that way. But, I was too far in to give myself up, so I just kept going. It got to be kind of a game with the authorities. Sometimes, I even slowed up and let them get closer."

AT THE age of twenty-one, Abagnale was finally arrested in France where he served six months in prison. He also served six months in a Swedish prison until he was shipped back to the United States.

"While in a U.S. penitentiary, I escaped three times." Each time he was brought back until the last time, when authorities finally decided that he belonged in the Atlanta Federal Penitentiary; a maximum security prison.

"The judge had a hard time deciding whether or not to send me there, since I was five to ten years below their usual minimum age limit." However, after three days in the maximum security prison, Abagnale escaped in disguise. He was caught, and served almost four years there. He has also worked as a resident pediatrician in a Georgia hospital and as a college instructor.

ABAGNALE NOW used his past to his full advantage as a

thirty year old president of Abagnale Associates Consulting firm, which is worth millions of dollars. His firm instructs banks, department stores, hotels, airlines, lending institutions, and other vulnerable big businesses on methods to prevent white collar crime through lectures and seminars. During the week he travels, delivering speeches and conducting seminars.

A book about his life, and a movie which will be released this summer and are entitled "Catch me if you Can." The film stars Dustin Hoffman as Frank W. Abagnale Jr., although Abagnale himself will also have a small role in it; ironically, "I will play an F.B.I. agent." Next spring, a television series based on his life will be aired on ABC. This is not the first time his life story has been used for a television series. "I became most famous when Grant Larcet began a TV series on my life called, "It Takes a Thief."

THIS LIVELY, dark haired man is also a member of numerous police forces, a professor of criminology, and the sole consultant to the U.S. Senate on fraud.

He is very possibly the most accomplished con artist in the world, and that's no con.



Frank Abagnale talking with East DECA chapter president Alan Friedman. (photo by Jeff Silver)

Theater students act in Mime production

At the fifth annual Illinois High School Theatre Festival hosted in Normal, Illinois, by Illinois State University, two East students Jeff Sumner and Norman Fox were chosen to represent East in a mime show.

"People from all around the state audition," Sumner explains, "It's very rare that two people from the same school make it."

ELEVEN STUDENTS from various Illinois public schools were picked from all of those who auditioned, to participate in "The All State Mime Production." The students worked with the United Mime Workers, who brought down ideas, and techniques to teach the students.

The students weren't sure what to expect. "We came down there blindfolded," Fox remembers. "We didn't know what would happen."

Their schedule was hectic. On Thursday, their first day there, the students attended various workshops, and developed the program with the

help of the United Mime Workers. From 9 a.m. Friday morning until 10 p.m. that night, they rehearsed, only to begin again early Saturday morning. They finished finally at five that evening, just in time to perform!

"IT WAS amazing that we were able to do it," Fox exclaimed.

"I learned a lot," Sumner said. "We learned various things which everyone was able to benefit from."

The fifteen students who attended the workshops were chaperoned by Mr. Jerry Proffit, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mayfield. While the school provided transportation, the final cost of the trip was left to the students.

THE TRIP was a success for those who made the final cuts, and for those who were able to just experience the different techniques of acting that were demonstrated. "The kids saw a variety of shows and experienced workshops that they normally wouldn't have," Proffit concluded.

Wrestling team depends on the Poznanskys

by Nancy Zimmerman

The success of East's wrestling team is due to a great extent, to the "backbone" of the program, — the Poznansky brothers.

Steve and Al Poznansky have coached together for six years. Steve came to East in 1972 with Al following in 1974. "Even though we've been together for six years, we're always learning something," Al explains. "That's the difference between our program and others."

"WE SPEND the first month teaching basics, then each senior helps a freshman," Steve says. "This makes us more like one team rather than

four different teams." Both brothers agree that the reason the program works so well is because, "everyone works together."

Steve Poznansky is an East math teacher and coach. As freshman wrestling coach, he must transform freshmen with little or no experience into competitive wrestlers. After graduating from Niles North, he attended Illinois State University, where he played football and wrestled.

Al Poznansky is East's junior varsity wrestling coach. "I'm J.V. coach, but all of the teams practice together, so I

help everyone." During the non-wrestling season Al can often be found with numerous wrestlers at the YMCA. "I spend a lot of my time helping the wrestlers build up their strength," Al said.

WRESTLING HAS a greater number of returning athletes than any other team at East. This is partly because of the impression the Poznansky brothers give the wrestlers. "I think that a positive mental attitude and a desire to win are the qualities I try to get across to them," Al Poznansky claimed.

This year, however, with the closing of East just around the corner, there has been a drastic drop in freshman participation in the wrestling program. "Last year we had fifty freshmen, while this year we have fifteen," Steve added.

"The freshmen realize that they are only here temporarily." As for doubts in regard to the conference title which

East varsity wrestling has held for six years, there aren't any. "We view the conference title as something we must fight for," Al summed up, "rather than just defend."



Steve and Al Poznansky study wrestling schedule. (photo by Steve Berkowitz)

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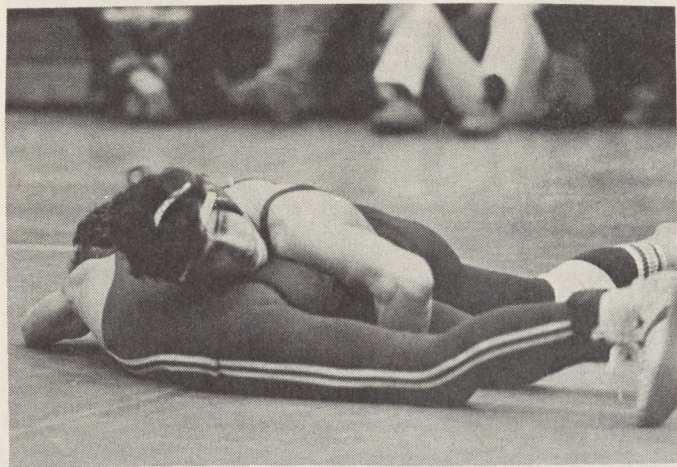
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Howard Halovitch, potential state champ, works inside cradle.

Winning East Wrestler pinned to hospital bed

by Barb Reich

"Howard Walovitch is one of our best boys, and we're hoping he could carry us through state," wrestling coach Fred Richardi said. But for now, the team will have to face the absence of Walovitch.

"I won't make it back for districts," stated Walovitch, who underwent knee surgery on January 22, as a result of a recent injury. "Skokie Valley Hospital left me with 20 stitches, and it will probably take four or five months to heal after they're out."

HOWEVER, WALOVITCH seemed in good spirits as he chatted from his hospital bed about this year's wrestling team. "All the coaches developed a good, sound team with no weak spots in the line-up. I expect them to take districts, sectionals, and be one of the top ten downstate."

Walovitch became a wrestler because, "I like the meanness." He favors mat wrestling because of the down position, plus all other wrestling styles that involve throws.

This aggressive attitude helped Walovitch win his very first meet as a freshman, and go on to bigger and better victories. Walovitch was a junior varsity conference champ, last year's varsity conference champ, and has paved his way to becoming varsity conference champ this year by placing first in the Thornwood Invitational, second in the Glenbrook North meet, and second in the Niles East tournament. He also took first in the Junior Olympics Greco Tourney this summer, where he was named "Outstanding Wrestler."

BUT WITH these achievements came pain for Walovitch. After winning the state Greco-Roman championship, he went down to Iowa for the nationals. However, it was impossible for Walovitch to be a winner, because he tore a cartilage in the right knee. That year his shoulder was separated, and he suffered blood poisoning during districts.

His latest knee injury occurred January 19 at the West Leyden meet. "I wasn't wrestling at the time, but my knee just snapped funny."

Even though it will take time for Walovitch to recuperate, the convalescence has its advantages. "What I always disliked about wrestling was

that you have to watch your weight," said Walovitch, as he ate handfuls of calorie, rich popcorn.

COMING BACK to school before finals, Walovitch can resume the activities he enjoys most such as being N-Club vice president, going out with girls, and going to parties. Next year, Walovitch will take up these and other functions at the University of Illinois, Champaign, where he'll major in liberal arts and sciences.

In the hope of a speedy recovery for Walovitch, Coach Richardi dedicated the Maine South meet on Friday, January 25, to the 5'7" 145 lb. athlete.

The decision to compete in Illinois high school gymnastics was an important one to junior gymnast Mary Ann Kostyniuk.

Kostyniuk has been competing since she was eight years old. She participated in the MidAmerica Twisters, and as a sophomore she joined the American Academy of Gymnastics.

After five years Kostyniuk left the Twisters because, "It took too much time, seven days a week, and six hours a day."

KOSTYNIUK SPENT her sophomore and junior year at the American Academy, where she was best remembered for her superb performance at USGFA state meets and the Mid West Open." She placed 2nd in all-around at both meets in '76, and 3rd at the

Wrestlers beat W. Leyden

by Brad Dorfman

The East/West Leyden meet on January 19, was yet another success for Trojan wrestlers on all four levels. Although the opponents are ranked number three in the state, East matmen defeated West Leyden 25-19. Junior varsity won with a score of 47-11, while the sophomores triumphed 53-3. The freshmen were also recognized for their 57-18 sweep.

Varsity wrestlers who won individual matches included Renalto Nepomuceno, Steve Sylvan, Marc DeMar, Steve McManamon, and Kelly Walls. Ties were recorded by captains Bill Stein and Dan Sarasin. Steve Coley scored

the only pin.

THE VARSITY team is currently ranked fifth out of 530 high schools in the state, but Coach Richardi seems to shy away from rankings. "They could make a team too confident and cause them to lack concentration," Richardi says. But he also stresses, "The team is mature enough to know who they have to beat and how and when to beat them."

The varsity team lost to undefeated Palatine 25-18 and beat Mount Carmel 58-2 last weekend. First place wins at Palatine were by Chris Manial, Paul Kahan, Dan Sarasin, Steve Cooley, Kelly

Walls and Alan Seleman. There were no pins.

Tomorrow all four teams have home meets against Evanston. It's a crucial meet for the freshmen and varsity teams, who could clinch their conference titles if they win. However, the sophomore and junior varsity teams aren't as pressured because they've already accomplished that goal.

A CONFIDENT Ricardi concludes, "With our enthusiastic coaches, we've won 23 out of a possible 28 conference titles in the past seven years."

The last meet for the wrestlers before the districts is against Glenbrook South on February 8.

Girls' teams pursue victory

The girls' basketball team started off their season with a 1-4 record. They beat Evanston 58-54, and junior Linda Becker contributed 22 points for the Trojans in that game.

"Our teams leading scorer and rebounder sprained her ankle and won't be playing for a couple of weeks," said Coach Jerry Oswald about Becker.

OSWALD ADMITS, "We are a young team, but we're steadily improving." He cites examples of senior Julie Maggio and junior Cynthia Michals

who averages 12 points per game.

Oswald's first goal of the season is to "beat Niles West, the defending state champs." The coach won't make any predictions toward that goal, but Maggio says, "I watched West play, and I don't think they're as good as they were last year."

"It was Maine East and Niles North who hindered us in conference play," Coach Dee Whyman said. Whyman felt

that both 3rd place finishes were because, "We weren't fast enough until mid-season."

Although East wasn't the winner of its own invitational, outstanding group efforts were made by Cindy Kouzoures who bowled a high game of 203, and Cynthia Hogg who bowled a high game of 184. Sue Yates bowled a 221 game against North, scoring the highest game of the season. Her overall series was 504.

Whyman is hopeful because, "all the girls competing in districts tomorrow will hold averages between 140-170.

Gymnast Kostyniuk stars at West Invitational

Midwest Open in '77 and '78. Before she left the American Academy, Kostyniuk came in 1st all-around at the Wisconsin Open.

Kostyniuk decided to join East's gymnastic team because "It's more fun." Kostyniuk's fun turned into success for East.

At the Niles West Invitational Kostyniuk won four trophies. She placed 1st in vault by scoring 9.20 and 1st in beam with a 8.85. She also scored 8.85 on the bars, earning a 2nd place trophy. In floor exercise, her 8.55 outcome took 5th place. Out of 33 schools competing, Kostyniuk was East's star.

She also helped East win the meets against Niles North and New Trier East by placing 1st on the beam, bars, vault, and floor bringing the gymnastics

record to 4-7. Her performance at West showed that Kostyniuk will be a favorite at this year's state meet.

After the gymnastics season is over, one could still see Mary Ann perform for the American Academy of Gymnastics. "That's where I'll be," said Kostyniuk.

Trojans have little luck

Trojan basketball players are having little luck. As Matt Donath who's a varsity guard points out, "We just aren't winning any games." After a 69-52 loss against Niles West, the varsity conference record dropped to 0-8, and their overall record is 5-14. High scorers in the game against the Indians were Joel Kessler who led with 20 points, Matt Donath who made 12 points, and Ed Cohen who accumulated 10.

In prior meets, the Trojans took on the defending Illinois State Class AA champion Maine South. Although Kessler earned 17 points, by half-time the Hawks led 30-20.

IT WAS at the Deerfield game on January 19, that the Trojans had a chance to win their first conference game. The Trojans led 43-40, but in the last two minutes of play they couldn't hold the slight advantage. "It was one of those games that we let get away from us," and Coach Emil Capitani.



Mary Ann (center) receives one of four awards for excellent gymnastics performance (photo by Steve Berkowitz)

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