

East's closing appears inevitable?

Although the school Board repeatedly has emphasized that no decision has been made regarding the closing of one of the district high schools, it seems that East may be doomed according to the strong implications made in the administrative report at the last Board meeting.

BECAUSE OF A DECLINE of the birth rate across the country, total enrollment at East is expected to decrease from 2,308 this year to 1,655 by 1979-80, according to the report.

The Board's first prerogative is closing a school. East, as the oldest, would be most likely to bear the brunt of this decision. The second choice would be to keep all three schools, but simplify the curriculum due to the smaller enrollment. A third possibility, would be for the Board to find a way to increase its revenue and maintain the present rate of curriculum development.

SOME RESEARCH IMPLIES that reduction in size of all three schools is superior to maintaining two larger high schools because of directness in faculty-student relationships, and availability of resources. However, in order to maintain all three schools with a smaller student population, an increase in revenue is needed.

Furthermore, as the student enrollment continues to decrease and finally reaches the 1,250 mark, increased funds

would be needed to bolster individual courses, and the questions of a full, quality education would arise.

IN ADDITION, REDUCTION of the teaching staff would be necessitated. The total staff must be arranged to form a balance of expertise without dismissal of tenured teachers or those in more specialized areas.

Of the 495.5 teachers currently employed in the district (437.5 on tenure and 58 non-tenure), approximately 122 teachers will be without a job by 1979-80 according to the projected figures. In this number (122) six to nine per cent (or 7 to 11 faculty) will be included those resigning, retiring, or going on leave of absences.

SEVERAL OF THE DEPARTMENTS with severe cutbacks include English from 70.4 teachers currently to 50 teachers by 1979; math — from 41.8 teachers to 29.8 teachers; science — 45 teachers to 35; and social studies — 45.7 teachers to 35.5. The other departments will be reduced by five teachers or less. Students services, music, Alternative Learning Center, and Special Projects are predicted to be increasing their numbers by three to six teachers.

The report further states that "although the Board of Education has the right under current law to dismiss all unneeded staff, whether tenured or not, the administration will make every

effort to avoid recommending dismissal of tenure faculty."

SEVERAL PROPOSALS were recommended:

—Before any staff member is recommended for a tenure contract, the potential long-term effect of such a contract will be carefully evaluated.

—The practice of issuing one-year contracts and of terminating all such teachers each will be continued.

—Plans will be developed to retrain certain teachers in areas of potential surplus to prepare them for areas of future need.

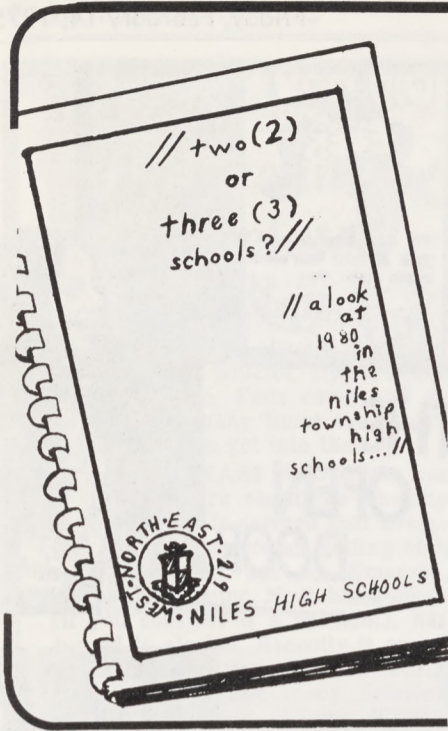
—Legislation proposed by the Teachers' Retirement Board to reduce the age of a non-penalty retirement will be supported.

—Cost effective plans for stimulating early retirement will be proposed. This recommendation will need to be coordinated with any change in State Retirement Laws.

—The administration will attempt to maintain some latitude in staffing, to the end that we may plan to staff at 98 per cent staff utilization instead of 100 per cent.

The likely cash savings for closing a high school would be more than \$2,500,000!

TAKING THE PRESENT economic trend, the handwriting is appearing vividly on the wall. A special open hearing is scheduled for March 31.



Library offers good place to study: survey

The library is considered by the majority of the students to be a good place to study according to the recent survey conducted in 24 homerooms, six of each grade level.

STUDENTS FURTHER BELIEVE that the library resources are up-to-date and adequate. However, the number of students who never use the library increases from one in 100 freshmen to 11 in 100 seniors.

In addition, the survey revealed lack of fines, library hours, and ease of circulation, a definite plus in student opinion, while temperature, ventilation, and the number of booths and conference rooms were generally disliked.

Total responses showed that almost all students spend some time in the library, and that almost two-thirds of the students are there twice a week or oftener. The least favored items were concluded to be atmosphere, staff supervision, and rules and regulations. More than 500 students participated in this survey.

Traffic Safety Center Conference held

Driving range to open in fall

According to Dr. William Warner, Project Coordinator, next fall East students will be the first to use the driving range of the \$537,140 three-phase Niles Township Community Traffic Safety Center for behind-the-wheel instruction.

CONSTRUCTION OF THE first phase, a multiple-car range facility, was approved by the Board of Education on January 13. On January 14 Dr. Wesley Gibbs, Superintendent of the Niles Township High Schools signed a "Contractual Service Agreement" allowing the release of \$213,140 from the Illinois Office of Education (previously OSPI), Safety Education Section to underwrite first phase construction costs.

The second phase involving simulator and classroom curriculum and equipment for secondary school students and the third phase affording classroom and laboratory experiences in traffic safety to elementary school students and adults, if approved by the Board and the State, will involve a total grant of \$324,000. The Board of Education and subsequently the community will invest a maximum of \$80,000 for the Center's building facilities.

A. EDWARD JOHNSON, Director of the Safety Education Section of the ICE, indicated at the conference that the state is "really very excited about this thing" (the Center), and "sees great things coming from it." Immediate construction of the 200' by 600' range will begin on Gross Point Road between Niles West and the central administration building.

Although the two other phases have

not been approved, Gibbs said the administration is "very enthusiastic about this opportunity that will be provided to both present and future students."

DAVID SATOLOE, A FORMER member of Skokie's Traffic Safety Commission, said that although his "original reaction was a favorable one," he felt there was "some hesitancy (on the Board's part) about referring it to the Village of Skokie."

"I think you would be well advised to do a little more to present to the community some greater background as to how this is going to affect them financially."

WHEN ASKED WHY THE BOARD did not hold an open forum for township residents before approving the construction of the first phase, President Shirley Garland said the program was on the agenda "for many meetings," and that opportunity for feedback was available.

Gary Anderson, regional representative for traffic safety of the IOE added that the underlying elementary school districts "are fully cognizant of this program" and are awaiting word on the Center's progress toward the third phase.

OTHER CONCERN WAS VOICED by Robert Feder of the Skokie Life as to what effect the Center will have on West's Nature Reserve. Mick Herzog, Administrative Assistant said "I think it will enhance the nature reserve. The eight foot fence around the Center will deter students from smoking in the preserved area."

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Board election April 12

Caucus to endorse three candidates

The Niles Township High School Caucus has chosen six candidates for the Nilehi school board, including three incumbents, who will appear before the Nilehi endorsement convention February 23.

OF THE SIX, THREE will be selected by the 88-member caucus next month to run on the caucus ticket for the April 12 school board election.

The caucus is combined of 37 people from homeowners and parents groups throughout Niles Township as delegates to the endorsement convention.

THE THREE INCUMBENTS Shirley Garland, president of the Nilehi school board for the past two years, and former president of the district 74 school board. Mrs. Garland has been a resident of Niles Township for seventeen years, and is residing in Lincolnwood.

Ben Lipin was the first candidate in more than ten years to win a board election without the endorsement of the caucus. Lipin founded the association of Parents, Students, Teachers, and Taxpayers of Niles Township. He has lived in the district for ten years and is a resident of Skokie.

FRED MINKUS IS COMPLETING a one-year term on the board. Minkus

ran unopposed in last year's Board elections. He is a former member and president of the District 67 school board. Minkus was chairman of the caucus from 1968 to 1970. He has been a resident in the district for 15 years and presently resides in Skokie.

The three newcomers include Doretha Goldenberg, an assistant professor in the school of Education at DePaul University. She taught at Northwestern University and was an education specialist for the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Ms. Goldenberg has lived in Niles Township for 15 years and resides in Skokie.

EDWARD KAMINSKI is an associate professor of pathology at Northwestern University. He was formerly a member of the district-wide committee that studied Nilehi's grading policies. Kaminski has lived in Niles Township for eight years in Morton Grove.

Paul Stiefel was a former member of District 73 school board for two terms serving as board president. He is also a Junior Achievement advisor and counselor.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Feb. 14	Valentine's Day Ripplette Swim Club	3 p.m.	Feb. 22	ACT Tests	8 a.m.
Feb. 15	Mainstreet Bluegrass Mini-concert 4101 Main St., Evanston (\$2)	8 and 10 p.m.	Feb. 23	Ski trip to Villa Olivia Devonshire Center	8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Feb. 16	"Born Free" - Old Orchard Junior High	3 p.m.	Feb. 24	"Son of Flubber" Old Orchard Junior High	3 p.m.
Feb. 17	No School - Teachers' Institute		Feb. 25	Orchestra Concert - Auditorium	8 p.m.
Feb. 18	Exhibit of Thirteen Colonies and American Revolution Skokie Public Library	8 p.m.	Feb. 26	Board Meeting 7700 Gross Point Road	7:30 p.m.
	AVE - Room 246	3 p.m.		Student Senate - Room 222	2:15 p.m.
	Sophomore Cabinet - Room 124	3 p.m.		Junior Cabinet - Room 144	2:45 p.m.
	Chess Club - Room 317	3-4 p.m.	Feb. 27	Aptitude Tests	
	Varsity Cheerleaders - Trojan Hall	2:30 p.m.		Skokie Art Guild	8 p.m.
	AFS - Room 147	3 p.m.		Skokie Public Library	3 p.m.
	Freshman Cabinet - Library	3 p.m.		Sophomore Cabinet - Room 124	3 p.m.
Feb. 19	Forensics - Room 150	3 p.m.		Chess Club - Room 317	3-4 p.m.
	Dance - Dance Studio	3 p.m.		Varsity Cheerleaders - Trojan Hall	2:30 p.m.
	Senior Cabinet - Room 112	3 p.m.		AFS - Room 147	3 p.m.
	Stage Band - Room 117	7:30 p.m.	Feb. 28	Freshman Cabinet - Library	3 p.m.
	Golden Galleon - Room 252	3 p.m.		School Spirit - Room 242	3 p.m.
	German Club	3 p.m.		Incoming Freshmen Parents' Night	7:30 p.m.
	Bridge Club - Student Lounge	3 p.m.		Forensics - Room 150	3 p.m.
Feb. 20	"Money on the Land" Skokie Public Library	8 p.m.		Dance - Dance Studio	3 p.m.
	French Club - Room 246	3 p.m.		Senior Cabinet - Room 122	3 p.m.
	Russian Club - Room 242	3 p.m.		Stage Band - Room 117	7:30 p.m.
	Sophomore Cheerleaders	3 p.m.		Golden Galleon - Room 252	3-4 p.m.
	Spanish Club - Room 245	3 p.m.	Feb. 27	"The Huddled Masses" Skokie Public Library	8 p.m.
	Pom Poms	3 p.m.		Pom Poms	3 p.m.
Feb. 21	Ripplette Swim Club	3-5 p.m.		Sophomore Cheerleaders	3 p.m.
	Contemporary Arts Book Discussion Skokie Public Library	8 p.m.		French Club - Room 246	3 p.m.
			Feb. 25-27	Stop and Shop Days	
			Feb. 28	Ripplette Swim Club	3 p.m.

New student rap room opens

by Michelle Andre

The Open Door, a new student rap room, opened last week after an entire semester of peer group counselor training. Fred Kral, Biff Bannon, and Gary Vann, Easthi social workers have been organizing the room since the opening of the school year. Approximately 15 students have been participating in weekly meetings, learning the techniques of group process. The Open Door is located in Room 2A behind the stage of the student lounge. All students are invited to attend each Monday during their free periods.

WHEN PREPARATION FOR THE Open Door began last September, Kral, Bannon, and Vann held meetings for students interested in becoming peer group counselors. Students eagerly attended and were so anxious to open the room that they would not agree to any orientation program. Arrangements were made to open the room during the free periods students had agreed to monitor in, based on the idea that students would just drop in for general rap sessions. "We had to open immediately. The students were so eager, they refused to postpone it for any period of time," Vann said.

However, after one week, the social workers realized that this system was too general and that students were not willing to "open up" on such a casual basis. It was agreed that some form of pre-training was needed in order for the Open Door to function properly. The social workers introduced a peer

group counseling project that previously had been successful in training students in several other high schools. Libertyville, Zion-Benton, Carmel, and Barrington High Schools, and the Special Education District of Lake County established and wrote a handbook on the program East students planned to use.

THE PROJECT CONSISTED OF six one-hour training sessions, their purpose being to train students to become peer group leaders so that each participant would be qualified to lead his own group in conjunction with a faculty advisor. "Each meeting was like a progression period," Bannon said. "We became more involved and developed self awareness. I felt personal growth along with the students."

During each session, the social workers led the students through various discussions and exercises teaching basic skills such as orientating a new group of students, helping students feel comfortable, facilitating expression of feelings, and other group leadership skills.

THE NEXT 20 MEETINGS were geared to letting the students run their own meetings with a social work advisor present. They volunteered and were given time to prepare for role-playing, such as pretending that everyone in the room is attending his first open door meeting.

Presently, the Open Door participants have completed approximately eight training sessions and the 20 role playing

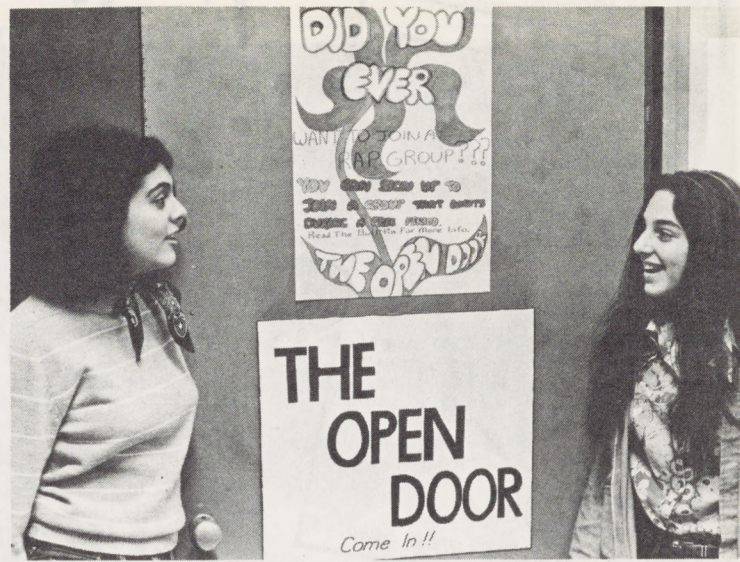
situations. "The Open Door will be a growth type thing," Bannon said. "The process has already started with the training program. People are already growing together by sharing and accepting others' experiences. Not only may they learn about others, but about themselves and who they are."

THE OPEN DOOR IS still operating on an experimental basis. Participants plan to begin a reference room. Information will include topics such as drugs, birth control, jobs, equal rights, tutoring, and special education programs. They also hope to begin reviewing health films for the school and conduct an occasional survey on issues of importance.

The Open Door is a student operated program produced by the interest of the social workers for the students. At this early stage the room is still "flexible." "What we need now is feedback from the students. We want to know if we're needed, how the students feel about the room, and what they hope to find in it," explained Bannon.

THE OPEN DOOR HOPES to attract a new group of students with this recruiting period. "If a real interest does exist, we may end up with a new group of leaders for next year," said Kral.

Open Door members include seniors Amy Becker, Fern Bernstein, Barry Kravitz, Sheila Rubin, Donald Shapiro, Sue Suscol, Cindy Nomikos, and Nava Issacs; juniors, Debby Bernard, Mike Mega, and Sharon Spira; and sophomores Dave Fleisher and Jewel Levine.



The Open Door is a new student rap room located in Room 2A in the Student Lounge. Pictured above are Cindy Nomikos (left) and Nova Isaacs with an Open Door poster and David Fleischer, social worker Biff Bannon and Linda Koukos in the "rap room."



Freshman Cabinet pictured here has planned a busy year selling sweet tarts, chocolate crunch bars, and peanuts. Presently, the members are organizing a talent show for all students.

Remodel health office?

by Bruce Goldberg

Easthi's nurses, Barbara Scarbrough and Dorothy Taylor, have submitted a proposal to the school board that, if passed, will mean renovation for the school's health office.

THE HEALTH OFFICE, visited by about 75 students every day, is lacking in space, accessibility, appearance, quietness, and facilities for removing injured students, according to the nurses.

Sister schools North and West both have updated facilities in their health offices. Nurse Scarbrough said that "it is impossible to compare the health facilities at East to that of West and North. We hope that, with the renovations, our area will approach some similarity to theirs."

THE NURSES' PRIVATE office is used to tend to ill students and to hold conferences. A problem exists however, because, often, while a conference is in session, students come to the office needing care.

A larger waiting room is also necessary because the corridor presently used as one is overcrowded and contributes to the spread of disease, the nurses say.

A STORAGE PROBLEM also exists in the health office. A

wheel chair and stretcher are presently stored hazardously because there is no room for them.

Health office vision and hearing testing facilities are inadequate for their usage, claim the nurses. The only vision and hearing testing booth is in the health office boys' resting room. To be used, though, would disturb anyone using the room to rest.

THE NURSES SAY THAT another exit to their office is necessary. The exit would have a ramp leading directly outside. In past situations, firemen have had difficulty carrying students and faculty members out from the health office through its narrow corridor.

The nurses' final request is for carpeting for the entire office area. Carpeting would help reduce noise and improve the appearance of the office, the nurses say.

"WE ARE VERY concerned about our health program and would like to remove as many impediments to it as possible," Nurse Taylor said.

If the Board approves the nurses' proposal, the remodeling of the health office will be done over the summer to be completed by September.

School affairs body

Galen Hosler, Easthi principal, will submit a proposal to the Student Senate, the PTSA board, the building administration, and the faculty to create a Committee on School Affairs.

THE PROPOSED COMMITTEE would act as a decision making body to augment the Senate Student. Hosler explained that both bodies would co-exist happily.

Committee members would include seven students, five teachers, three administrators, and three parents. Three of the students would be the president, vice-president, and secretary of the Student Senate.

OTHER STUDENT MEMBERS would include top vote getters in elections of all four class levels. Teachers, administrators, and parents would be chosen in an election also.

Hosler would preside over the committee's weekly meetings.

Home ec winner

Valerie Krammen has been chosen the winner in the 1974-75 Betty Crocker Family Leader of Tomorrow contest. She competed with other seniors in the written knowledge and aptitude examination on December 3. She now will compete for state and national honors and has received a specially designed award from General Mills, Inc., sponsor of the annual educational scholarship program.

STATE FAMILY LEADERS of Tomorrow receive a \$1,500 college scholarship, while second-place winners receive a grant of \$500. The state winner also earns for her school, a 20-volume reference work, "The Annals of America," from Encyclopedia Britannica Educational Corporation.

In the spring, state winners and their faculty advisors will be the guests of General Mills on an all expense-paid educational tour which will include

Washington, D.C., and Williamsburg, Virginia. A special event of the tour is the announcement of the All-American Family Leader of Tomorrow, whose scholarship will increase to \$5,000. Second, third, and fourth place winners will receive scholarship increases to \$4,000, \$3,000, and \$2,000 respectively.

A \$1,000 **NUTRITION** scholarship also will be offered this year from General Mills. The winner of this grant is chosen from those who participated in the contest and who is planning a college major in nutrition or a related field, ranks among the highest in his state on the overall examination, and scores highest on the included nutrition questions.

Violinist comes here

Henry Criz, noted violinist, will be guest soloist at the orchestra concert on February 23 at 8 p.m. in the auditorium.

THE CONCERT WILL include "Funf Stucke" (a 5-piece orchestration) by Paul Hindemith, "Waltz" and "Gallop" from Masquerade by Aram Khachaturian, "Concerto for Two Flutes and Orchestra," by Antonio Vivaldi, "Bach violin concerto in A minor," and "Beethoven romanze in F Major."

Criz will perform the last two pieces. He has toured Europe, the Far East, and South America. His recognition includes receiving the National Federation of Music Clubs Award, entitling him to play at the White House, the Dasch Award, the Lyon and Healy Award, and the McCormick Foundation Award.

TICKETS, \$1 FOR adults and 50 cents for students and senior citizens, may be purchased at the door.

1976 sticker contest

The Skokie Bicentennial Committee and the Skokie Youth Welfare Commission are co-sponsoring a contest for the de-

sign of the 1976 Skokie vehicle sticker, honoring the 200th birthday of the United States.

THE CONTEST, OPEN to all Skokie residents between the ages of 13 and 18, offers a first prize of a \$100 U.S. Savings bond, a second prize of a \$25 bond, and a third prize of a transistor radio.

Entries must be mounted on cardboard no larger than 8½ x 11 inches with the design done in red, white, and blue, with black lettering. The sticker needs to have the words Skokie, Illinois, and 1976 clearly visible.

ALL ENTRIES MUST be submitted to the Skokie Youth Commission at 5127 Oakton by March 10. The winners will be announced in April.

Bicentennial group

District 219's Bicentennial Committee meets the first Wednesday of each month to plan activities for the schools and community.

The "American Revolution Bicentennial Administration" (ARBA) was created by Congress to "coordinate a national bicentennial commemoration."

DISTRICT 219'S COMMITTEE devised a resolution explaining that it will act as a clearinghouse for suggestions, and as advisor and recommender of bicentennial activities. In addition, it will issue a periodic newsletter informing schools of progress, and recommend that certain interested teachers involved in bicentennial activities have released time during school in order to direct and coordinate department activities.

IN ADDITION, A LIST of further activities and public events sponsored by the school was organized. This list includes field trips, contests, parties, academic courses, and environment projects, all based on the theme of the American Revolution.

10-second editorials

**Drunkness
fad related
to violence**

Everything is always changing. People, ideas, policies, styles, never stay the same. Fads come and go so fast that many times there isn't enough time to get into them.

A FEW YEARS AGO there was a great concern about the smoking of marijuana. It seemed that everyone was sitting around, getting high and mellowing out to Emerson, Lake, and Palmer. Now the problem (if you consider it a problem), has turned to alcohol. Recently it seems everyone is sitting around, getting drunk, and getting roudy listening to Black Sabbath, Johnny Winter, J. Geils, and all the other loud violence causing groups. Somehow this may be related to all the trouble and fights starting at our Friday and Saturday night athletic events.

There isn't much anyone can do about it. Administrators cannot tell. The police would rather catch someone with a stash of pot. Mr. Puff and his staff of security guards are so busy chasing students to home-room that they do not have the time for such trivia. Parents are too busy and big brothers and sisters are buying the booze.

IT IS NOT A REAL big deal. Soon, something else will come along and liquor will stay in stores and bars where it belongs. Hopefully the

next fad will be different and original, that has a whole new approach for things to do on weekends. Something like — staying straight and getting into the words of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony.

**Detention time
should assist
school effort**

Cutting class, disorderly behavior in halls, or truancy from homeroom are all offenses punishable by detention. First semester students who have committed offenses were placed in detention study halls during their free periods, left in these rooms to play cards, and watch the clock tick until the next period.

BEGINNING SECOND semester students will not be detained during the school day, but at 3 p.m. instead, left to watch the clock tick until 3:45 release time. Under either circumstance, students sit idly for 43 minutes.

Instead of waiting students' and supervisors' time in such an unconstructive manner, may detained individuals assist teachers by working at odd jobs?

MANY TEACHERS NEED extra help with stapling, filing, and organizing, or perhaps stuffing Nilehilites before distribution day. Some type of system could be arranged to make certain students arrive at proper destinations to help the teachers.

Human time and energy are qualities too good to waste in overcrowded waiting rooms.

Board decision premature

**Lack of communication
leaves residents unaware**

Although both Dr. Wesley Gibbs, Superintendent of Niles Township High Schools and Board president Shirley Garland denied that Board approval of the first "Contractual Service Agreement" for the Traffic Safety Center was premature, concerned citizens of the villages involved are fervently criticizing the decision.

PERHAPS BOARD MEMBERS were sporadically reminded over a period of months that driver education research studies were being conducted. However, other than the Board, Central Administration, a handful of reporters and PTSA representatives, no one was fully cognizant of such research.

It seems that information concerning the "nation's first comprehensive community traffic and safety education center" as it was referred to in an administrative news release of February 3, would be tirelessly distributed to the 170,000 Township residents. It is true that the state grant is providing over \$1/2 million for the Center while the Board agreed to provide a maximum of \$80,000. However, this is a Community Traffic Center.

ECONOMICALLY, Dr. William Warner, Coordinator of the Center, projected per student savings in the first phase at \$35. However, discussion of such projections, although appearing in previous Board agendas, were not held in open forum. Only few residents, those who frequent Board meetings had any knowledge of the research or, perhaps more importantly, the decision made on January 13.

When the Board voted to approve the construction of the first phase, a vote which was not included in the agenda of the evening, confusion and discontent arose throughout the room. Meeting "regulars" were caught off-guard and were precluded from making prepared statements in opposition to the program.

STATEMENTS WERE MADE, however, when the opportunity arose on January 27, two weeks later.

The contract has been signed, immediate construction of the range will begin, and one can only retrospect on this sudden and irrevocable decision.

However, no contractual agreements for the second and third phases exist yet. This is the time for community feedback and involvement.

**Caucus authority in Twp.
strong factor in elections**

Strong national political organizations whose money lays on the success of their candidates may be exercising the same political control that the District 219 Caucus has and will continue to exercise in Niles Township. Although Curt Sonneborn, Caucus Chairman, denied that the Caucus "is essentially a political organization," on April 13 last year, the three District 219 School Board candidates that were endorsed won unopposed.

IN PROJECTING TO April '75, it may be asked when, if at all, independent candidates will submit applications for candidacy thereby undermining Caucus authority. Presently, of six applicants screened and chosen by the Executive Board, three will be selected and endorsed by the Caucus on February 23.

A recurring factor in every Board election for the last three years indicates that strong control does lie in this representative organization. Due to an atrocious lack of interest and involve-

ment of capable individuals in a Board running a multi-million dollar operation, the situation will worsen.

PERHAPS SURPRISINGLY, the caucus itself has had to "seek out" prospective applicants from organizations throughout the township.

In 1972 the ratio of Caucus endorsed candidates to independent were 1-2, in 1973, 3-2, in 1974, 3-0, and unless a civic minded citizen declares him or herself, last year's ratio will remain constant.

AT THE LAST election, Caucus endorsed James Gottreich said that although there was an obvious lack of interest in the Township of Board activities, he would try to avoid discouragement in serving it. Yet, the situation is no longer only disheartening. Township residents, through their growing insensibility, have allowed the Caucus to grab full reign of Board elections in which independent candidates have become an infrequent phenomena.

Hotline

Is East ready for raids?

A. According to Mr. James Puff, "The indoor track, the cafeteria, and the theatre department's scene shop do act as bomb shelters. Canned water, biscuit rations, and equipment are also stored there for "this kind of emergency."

Q. Who are the student P.A. announcers?
A. These students, who are chosen near the end of each school year are Denise Levin, Cary Grossman, Maureen Sullivan, Howard Steirman, and Bob Katz.

Q. What is the tower going to be used for? What is the tunnel and attic used for?

A. According to Miss Jo Morris, building manager, the tower was once used for classes; however, it presently serves as a storage space. The attic also is used for storage and the tunnel which has

entrances in the student lounge and cafeteria is used by the custodial staff.

Q. What is adaptive gym?
A. Students unable to participate in the regular P.E. curriculum are placed in this class. A medical excuse warrants such change. Students in this class do homework, play ping pong, croquet, cards, and games such as Scrabble, Perquackey or plastic bowling. They meet in the pit in the indoor track and are graded on a pass/fail basis.

Q. When are library books discarded?
A. The basic criteria is 1) if the information is no longer accurate, 2) if the library has obtained a newer edition of the book, 3) if the book has no historical value, and 4) if librarians decide a book is damaged beyond repair.

Feedback

Detained students feel jobs jeopardized now

Dear Editor,
This letter is pertaining to the new supervised study assignment. All of us in Mr. Henrici's fifth period work study class are concerned because we feel that the new detention study hall will be jeopardizing our jobs.

If Mr. Hosler feels that he will be able to pay us our wages which we earn at our jobs, we will gladly serve our detention afted school.

We realize that Mr. Hosler came from Niles North, and wishes to run our school the way North is run, but what he doesn't realize is that we are the students of East, and are not used to a dictatorship system.

Lori Polin '76, Debbie Hoglund '75, Cassandra Gadd '76, Michelle Roqon '75, Karen Frazier '76, Maryanne Flossi '75, Gene Hyman '76, Donna Winston '75, Howard Getner '76, Bob Williams '76, Steve Kornick '75, Jim Burgess '75, Dave Brussian '76, Ray Ledvora '75, Ron Bressler '75

Female teams ignored

Dear Editor,
As a member of the Girls' Athletic Association, I and many others would

like to express our opinion on your coverage in the sports section.

Even though we females are looked upon as the weaker of the sexes, and don't participate in contact sports, we too have athletic teams. It seems when I pick up the Nilehilite and start reading the sports section, all I see is Trojans Lose, Loss in Overtime, Gridders Finish Winless Season, and so on. An article that's a half a page long telling and explaining about a losing game doesn't bring on school spirit.

We do have some teams which place very well in the league. We see no reason why we girls can't have the recognition we deserve.

We practice, try out hardest, and do win; but don't seem to get any coverage. Take a look at Girls' gymnastics, volleyball, basketball, bowling, softball, and track. They are all good teams.

In your spare time, try looking at these teams and see how well we place. You wait and see when the Girls' Bowling team and others make it to state. We are also a part of Niles East.

-Karen Frazier '76

(Editor's note: We agree that the Nilehilite has not given good coverage to all sports in general and especially girls' sports. We are very short-handed and could use several girls' sport reporters. In the meantime, we hope you are pleased with our coverage in this issue.)

East fencer's rebuttal

Dead Editor,
Regarding Jeff Weinstein's article, "Foilers Improve, Lack Experience" in the January 24 issue, I would like to ask Mr. Weinstein a few pertinent questions:

Do you know that at the end of last year when the fencing team was in need of a coach, **nobody** cared, not even the athletic staff. Do you know that our "inexperienced new coach" (as you said), Ron Gralewski, gave of his own time and money to best familiarize himself with the sport and is doing a great job trying to build a strong future team?

Do you realize that you have prejudicially and with absolutely no prior knowledge assumed that only lack of experience causes a poor record? There have been many other Easthi teams in "slumps" and no one ever presumed to analyze exactly why.

Do you know that our home fencing meets take place in the indoor track? Have you ever been there to at least see what you are writing about? I question whether a person with no knowledge of, and an unwillingness to learn about

a sport is "experienced" enough to write about it.

At 4:30 p.m. today we have a home meet with New Trier West. I cordially invite you to attend, and I'm sure our coach, will be more than happy to answer any of your questions.

-Larry Labow '76

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AP history, math grow popular

by Rich Bodenheimer

About 100 juniors and seniors are presently enrolled in Advanced Placement courses in United States history, European history, and two levels of calculus.

THE AP CLASSES HAVE increased in popularity this year after last year's AP students scored very well on the examinations given to them last May.

Last year, in the U.S. history class, 12 people took the test. Of those 12, six got 5's (5 is the highest score possible, 1 is the lowest), one person received a 4, and the remaining five received either 3's or 2's.

THE COURSE CONCENTRATES on such topics as the American Revolution, the Jacksonian period, the Civil War and Reconstruction, the Progressive era, and the New Deal. The test, which consists of multiple choice, essay, and documentary analysis problems, usually focuses on these areas.

Even so, teachers never see the test and therefore cannot stress one topic over another. Mrs. Sylvia Mazouch, U.S. history instructor, remarked that "it is a challenge not only for the students but for me as well. I love teaching it. Any teacher loves to teach students who are motivated."

IN ADDITION TO AP U.S. history, AP European history also has increased in enrollment over the last few years. The course begins with 15th century Europe and examines the political, economic, and intellectual institutions that existed in Europe since then. During the year, the emphasis is placed on understanding principal themes in European history and studying European contact with the rest of the world.

The three-hour exam in May consists of the same things that the U.S. history test included: multiple choice questions, essays, and documentary analysis. Dick Miya, who teaches AP European history, commented that, "It is much more difficult to receive a 5 on the European history (than on the U.S. history test) because the test covers a whole continent and not only one country."

LAST YEAR, THE CLASS had sixteen students taking the exam with two people receiving 5's and three being credited with 4's.

"I think this is a course that will increase in popularity over the next few years because of the great yearning for free college credits," Miya said.

IN THE MATH DEPARTMENT, AP Calculus and AP

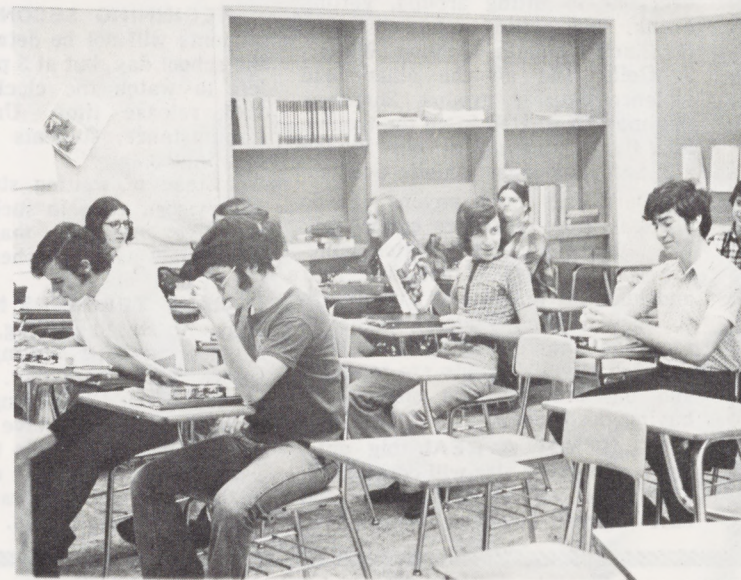
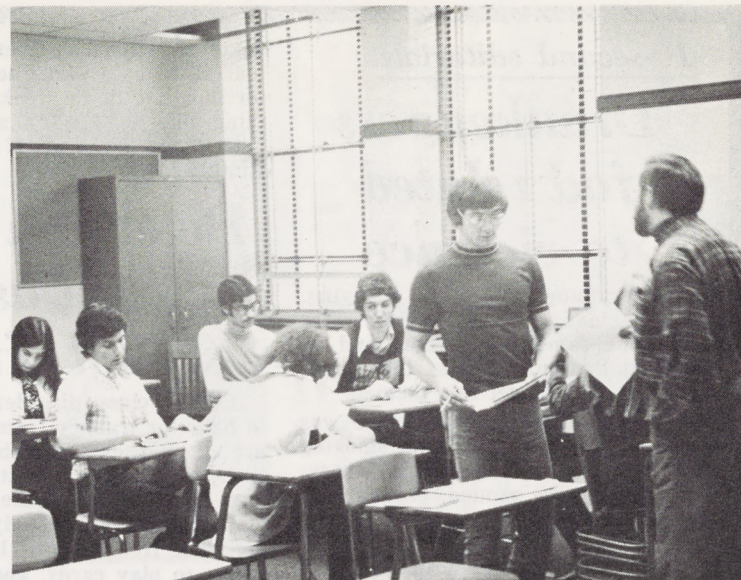
analytic geometry with an introduction to calculus (AGIC) have been offered. AP calculus covers more material than the average calculus course. Theoretical calculus as well as proofs are stressed in depth.

An excellent score on the test in May will usually earn students two full semesters of college credit in mathematics. Last year, 21 students took the exam and all but two received two semesters of credit. Those two still received one semester of credit.

AGIC COVERS MUCH of the same material as AP calculus, but less theoretically and at a slower pace. Students should have at least three years of math before taking either calculus course.

The exams are prepared by Princeton University and the grading scale usually fluctuates every year. The test places emphasis on analytic geometry, calculus, and proofs.

THE AP COURSES, though they require a great deal of work and intelligence, are considered by all the AP teachers at East to be "great builders of confidence because they create a unique feeling of success and accomplishment in the student."



(Photos by Barry Lustig)

Students in Advanced Placement courses are shown here working hard so that they can do well and earn college credit or advanced placement from the tests they will take in May. Top is AP European history class, middle is AP U.S. history class, and bottom is AP calculus class.

Experimentation keys learning

by Marla Berman

"We talk about everything from sex to Bach," explained one student.

THE CLASS HE WAS referring to is Speech Communications, a one semester course designed to help students become more aware of themselves and other people, and to understand more about both verbal and non-verbal (such as body language) communication.

Students participate in discussions on topics of their choice and carry out experiments related to the discussions. The purpose of the experiments is to observe the reactions of people confronted with different situations the students have created.

IRA ARBUS PERFORMED ONE of the more unusual experiments. He stood on a corner by a stoplight and handed out bubblegum to people in cars that were stopped at the light.

Ira did this first in sloppy clothes, then dressed neatly.

When he wore torn jeans and a dirty shirt, Ira passed out only 30 pieces of gum in 90 minutes. When he dressed in a suit and tie, though, he passed out 30 pieces in only 30 minutes. Ira's conclusion was that, apparently, appearance is important to many people.

IN ANOTHER experiment, Mike Chavin stood in front of a dime-store on a 20 degree day and handed out ice cream to passersby. Some people ignored him, but others not only accepted his gift, they even paid him for it.

Virginia Stemp, Speech Communications instructor, hopes the course will help students to learn to express their feelings clearly, work successfully in a group, defend their beliefs, and increase the students' perceptions of their feelings towards

others.

REACTING TO THE question of the class's success, Lisa Saber said she has become more aware of a person's hurt feelings when singled out by a group or when she is excluding an individual from her group.

Mike Chavin explained that he never noticed other people's ideas and opinions until they were pointed out in class discussion. Other students said they have been able to understand their friends and families better since taking the course.

MISS STEMPP SUMMED up what Speech Communications is about in the last paragraph of the outline she handed her class on the first day of school. "This is a course about you — its aim is to provide you with self-motivation and self-interest and to develop your independence as an effective group communicator."



(Photo by Barry Lustig)

Two students attempt to communicate their feelings to their fellow students through a crayon drawing in Speech Communications.

"Stop and shop" schedule

Period 1—8-8:36	6—11:30-11:46
2—8:41-8:57	7—11:51-12:07
3—9:02-9:18	8—12:12-12:48
4—9:23-9:59	9—12:53-1:29
Stop and shop—10:04-10:44	10—1:34-1:50
Feb. 25, 26 & 27	11—1:55-2:11
5—10:49-11:25	12—2:16-2:52

Summer camp for math teacher

by Rich Bodenheimer

For the last seven years, summer has meant the same thing to math teacher Mildred Hall. She has been contributing her time to Camp Awana, a teenage Bible camp in Westbend, Wisconsin, about 180 miles north of Chicago.

EVERY JULY, CAMPERS from all parts of the country come to Camp Awana for either two or four-week periods. According to Miss Hall, "The beautiful 130-acre camp gives me the chance to forget about school and permits me to relax for a month."

Miss Hall's main job is to direct the sports department, though she sometimes substitutes as a Cabin Leader. As Sports Director, Miss Hall tries to teach one sport at a time and she adds that, "we try not only to teach the fundamentals of the sport, but we also make

an attempt at teaching it from a fun point of view."

SUCH SPORTS AS TENNIS, badminton, archery, and golf are played at Camp Awana. In addition to teaching, Miss Hall writes booklets to help the campers learn the games and she sees that the necessary sport-

ing equipment is available. As an incentive to learn, numerous sports are held for the campers during the month. As a Cabin Leader, Miss Hall takes care of a group of eight girls, conducting treasure hunts, cross-country running contests, and Bible lessons.

Miss Hall does not get paid for her services, but she said that "although I am not paid, I feel that I am well paid in the sense that the enjoyment and the experience that I get out of it is great to have inside of you. In addition, I see the kids from the out-of-school point of view. I try not to treat them like students and I urge them to talk to me as a friend and advisor instead of a teacher. Camp Awana, a new dimension in camping, has helped me as well as the young people who attend it."



(Photo by Rochelle Goode)

Miss Mildred Hall

Persons, places, and things

Congressman Abner Mikva is sponsoring a conference on Saturday, February 22, at 1 p.m. in the Niles council chambers, 7200 N. Waukegan, in Niles. A panel of approximately 25 from the district including economists, executives, businessmen, consumers, and educators will discuss and analyze the major economic proposals pending before Congress. Residents of the 10th Congressional District will have the opportunity to give their views on what should be

done about energy, unemployment, taxes, and inflation.

Jerry Proffit attended the annual Theater Association Conference, where he was elected First Vice-President, held January 31 through February 2 at the Sheraton O'Hare. The purpose of the conference was to describe new theater techniques.

Marc Rush '75, Susan Shelley '76, Karen Grantz '75, and Howard Balikov '75 participated in the All State Music Festival for

choir and band at the Arlington Park Towers, January 23-25, and performed a concert the last day.

Rusty Kaminar '75 is building a roadster with the help of Mr. Manison and the metals shop. He is supplying all the materials, which include fiberglass and a Ford V-8 engine, and extras costing approximately \$1,500. He hopes to complete it by the end of the semester.

Coaches Ristow, Madsen, Beechy, and Ferguson attended a track and field conference January 31-February 1 held at the O'Hare Inn, where university coaches explained new track and field techniques.

A Mardi Gras party was given by all French classes, on Tuesday, February 11. Miniature floats were constructed and decorated, and several students dressed for a costume contest.

The Niles East Choir performed at the mid-year graduation ceremony last Sunday. They sang Handel's Coronation Anthem under the direction of Frank Winkler.

An evening of entertainment including songs in foreign lan-

guages, humorous skits, Russian dancing, and the French can-can (performed by Mrs. Madeline Loughran's APP class) will be presented in the assembly hall, courtesy of the Niles East PTSA and the foreign language department, on March 12.

Nilehilite staff members Rochelle Goode '76 and Sandee Morrison '77 attended a high school press party at the Axle roller rink, with their guests Beth Spitz '77 and Carol Sopkin '78 on January 31.

Two new courses will be added to next year's curriculum. Aerospace Education II which will expand a student's knowledge into aerospace related careers. The prerequisite will be Aerospace education. Child development nursery school which will permit students the opportunity to integrate classroom activities with the practical experience of working with children replaces the current two classes of child growth and development and nursery school.

Mrs. Diana Browning who gave birth to a baby girl, Caroline, on January 13, returned to teaching yesterday.

Bill Coulson took his DECA group on February 6 to Woodfield for the district contest in advertising layout, window display, sales presentation, job interview, and public speaking.

The Reflections staff for 1976 includes Mark Blackman and Susi Fleischman, co-directors; Debbie Feldman, music director; Leslie Ament and Linda Pastron, assistant vocal directors; Celeste Ashley, assistant band director; Sally Saber and Suzie Soltan, co-choreographers; Paul Scherfling, technical director and set designer. The first writing committee meeting was held February 3 where the theme was established as "Reflections on a Rainbow of Emotions."

All eighth grades from the feeder schools will be visiting East during the month of February to explore the different culture arts areas as well as foreign language.

Mini Show, Reflections Touring Company consisting of Mark Blackman '76, Cheryl Esken '75, Sue Feldman '76, Mark Flitman '75, Bill Hall '75, Sandy Klein '75, Ilene Korey '75, Marc Rush '75, Steve Schwartz '76, Susan Shelley '76, Michele Soltan, '75 — director, and Patti Sucherman '76 will be performing during the next several months for old-age homes, orphanages, hospitals, and the junior high schools.

Felix Lara '77, Juan Lara '77, Robin Cohan '77, Sandra Lopez '76, Denise Perea '76, Sandy Reed '76, Alma Rios '76, Mary Short '76, Danny Silver '78, Ricky Silver '76, Donald Shapiro '77, Murry Cohn '77, Yaneth Cafarsuza '77, and Mrs. Herminia Lopez, sponsor of the Spanish club, attended the performance of Folklorico de Mexico at the Opera House on February 2.

The newly formed Students for Israel Club, having already held a bake sale, now are planning a raffle through March 1. Prizes will include a Kodak Pocket Instamatic camera, pool cues with cases, and other door prizes. Tickets will cost 25 cents. Officers include David Ruber, president; Anita Simkovich, vice-president; Nava Isaacs, secretary; and Scott Gothelf, treasurer. James Shugrue sponsors the club.

The Hebrew classes will be attending a movie "The Policeman" at Evanston Township High School, periods 2-8.

Ray Ledvora '75 took another first on January 24 at the International Car Show at the Amphitheater. He was awarded a plaque and a trophy.



Ten girls gain equality in wood shop

Can you tell the difference between mahogany, oak, and pine wood? If not, maybe Wood Technology is a course to consider.

THIS YEAR, FOR THE first time, 10 girls felt that their education was lacking in that area. Eileen Bornsheuer, Donna Coburn, Bobbi Dredze, Rhonda Fiduccia, Debbie Hoglund, Mary Markich, Nanette Odlivak, Laura Reitherman, Alexis Stern, and Debra Wax all are taking this exploratory course in woodworking.

Although they deal with heavy machines such as a drill press, radial arm saw, and table saw, Robert Keen, woodshop instructor, feels that girls have no more difficulty than the boys in the class. "Strength is not the important thing," he emphasized.

KEEN SAID THAT THE girls and boys in his class are treated equally. "Maybe the boys think the girls get preferential treatment. But, I try to teach them as equally as possible." Donna Coburn agrees that both the teacher and her fellow students treat her equally.

Donna took the course because one of her friends took it last year and enjoyed it. "It's not hard work," she commented. "Nothing that a girl isn't capable of doing."

THERE HAVE BEEN GIRLS in woodshop in the past, but never more than three. The first time a girl ever took woodshop was about three years ago.

Keen said he feels that girls have a better attitude about the class than boys "due to the fact that they wanted to take the course, whereas some of the boys took it because there was nothing else for them to take." They (the girls) are eager to learn in the class." Keen continued "very interested about the subject, and they pay attention."



(Photo by Jeff Cohen)

Backgammon has come to Niles East! Seniors Lenny Brenner and Irwin Katz recently formed a backgammon club with Mrs. Betty Quinn, social studies teacher, as sponsor. Shown here is Nancy Hirsch learning some of the finer points of the game from club charter member Paul Saltzman.

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Chess players concentrate on their next moves here at Chess Mates, Ltd., a chess club in Evanston.

East chess team keeps on winning

by Rich Bodenheimer

The Chess team has won four consecutive meets this year, giving the team a 4-2 record and a chance at the North Suburban Chess League championship.

EAST'S FIRST OPPONENT, Deerfield High School, came into the meet, with a 0-2 record.

Rich Edelson, the president of the Chess Club, said that "Deerfield is in a rebuilding stage this year. They lost a few good seniors from last year's team and we don't expect much of a battle from them this year."

THE MEET FINISHED in a 5-0 victory for East giving the team its first victory of the year. The winners included Rich Edelson, Rich Bodenheimer, Mike Stiefel, Steve Apollo, and Mike Guerrero.

Edelson added that "with these five players, we can give teams like Evanston and New Trier East some trouble."

EAST CONTINUED its winning ways with a 4-1 victory over Loyola Academy. East never had played Loyola before and thus the team didn't know what to expect from them. Edelson, Stiefel, Apollo, and Guerrero were victorious giving East a .500 record.

Niles North was the next opposition for East (who was trying for its first win in five years against North.) East won the meet 3-2 with Edelson, Stiefel, and Guerrero the winners.

ADLAI STEVENSON High School ended the festivities for East by losing 5-0 in the span of only an hour and fifteen minutes. Edelson, Stiefel, Guerrero, Apollo, and Bodenheimer all won their games with little difficulty giving East a 4-2 record and a tie for third in the league.

The upcoming meets against Highland Park and the top team in the country, Evanston, will show if the Niles East chess team can win consistently and if the team deserves recognition with other East sports teams.

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Chess for everyone in Evanston

by Paul Saltzman

Chess players, take heart. In spite of the recent dip in the game's popularity, there is still a place for players to gather and compete locally.

THE PLACE IS CALLED Chess Mates, Ltd. Located at 517 Dempster St. in Evanston, Chess Mates is a club where anyone seeking a game at any level can compete for a 50 cents an hour fee. (Membership is \$18 annually for high school students and entitles players to play without further charge and to compete in member-only club tournaments.)

Tournaments are held regularly in Chess Mates' small storefront space. In the past, these have included speed tournaments (in which there is a time limit for players to move) and doubles tournaments, also known as "bughouse" chess.

IN THE NEAR FUTURE, according to spokesman Jim Bozzelli, the club will hold a U.S. Chess Federation sanctioned meet and a tournament for wom-

en only. Bozzelli hopes that the club can stimulate female interest in the traditionally male-dominated game.

"We'll do what people want us to do," Bozzelli said. "The club will hold women-only tournaments, speed tournaments, or whatever kind of tournaments people will compete in."

PRESENTLY, CHESS MATES has a weekly tournament going on every Sunday from 7:30 to 9 or 9:30 p.m. Prizes are awarded from the small entrance fee charged. Approximately 18 games can be played at one time on the tables that rest on barrels and sawhorses in two rows that extend the length of the building.

In Chess Mates' small storefront, top chess players such as Evanston's 20-year old whiz Harold Boas (top state high school player while at Evanston Township High School) have played. In April, U.S. Chess Federation president Frank Scoff will appear at the club

to lecture on the game and play. **THROUGH ACTIVITIES** such as this, Chess Mates hopes to arouse enough interest in the club to sustain itself.

Its only real source of income, in addition to membership dues, is its retail store. Located at the side and rear of the club are chess sets and books for sale. Sets range in price from \$3.75 for a vinyl utility set to \$400 for some ornate marble and pewter sets. Chess Mates' books cover specific strategies, elementary play, and even transcriptions of games such as those from the 1972 world championship match between Bobby Fischer and Boris Spassky.

The club also offers private lessons (\$5 an hour) and soft drinks for its players (25 cents for pop, 10 cents for coffee).

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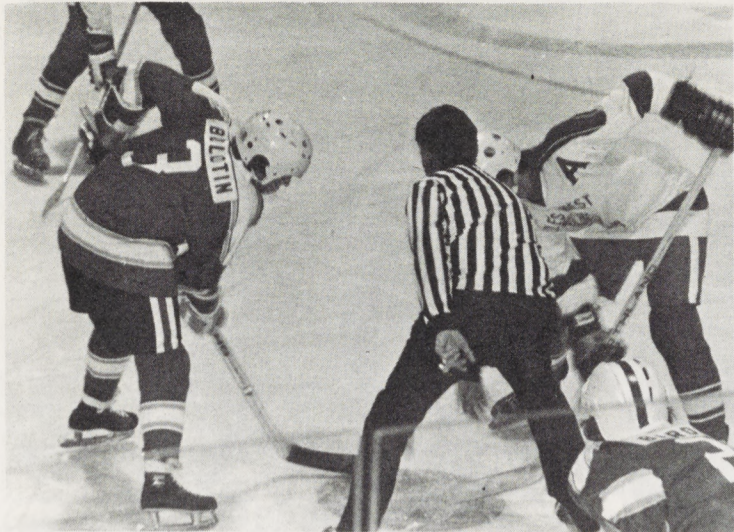
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Freshman center iceman Jimmy Bolotin faces off in recent 3-1 victory against Niles West.

Icemen defeat West

by Bruce Goldberg

Easthi's varsity hockey team broke their nine game losing streak and registered their second and third victories of the season by beating Steinmetz and Niles West. In addition, the Trojans gained a tie against Lane Tech.

EASTHI'S DEFENSE HELD Steinmetz to 14 shots on goal, giving Trojan goalie Rick Hazen an easy victory. The Trojans were first to score when Harold Berman slipped one past the Steinmetz goalie. Mark Rudd scored next putting the Trojans ahead for good. Mike Hansen scored a pair of goals, Gene Freid, Jim Alexander, and Lee Wisniewski each scored singletons giving East the 7-1 victory.

The Trojans beat Niles West for the first time 3-1. East displayed a team effort as Pollack, Wisniewski, and Torstensson scored for East.

THE FIRST TIME Lane Tech played East they defeated them 9-1. The second the score was

10-0. On January 29, the Trojans played a tight game and battled to a 4-4 tie on a third period goal by Pollack.

The Trojans have started a rebuilding program that consists of playing an offensive defense. Translated it means playing a checking game. Coach Mark Levin feels the results are starting to show. Shots on the defensive goal are decreasing as the defense led by Jerry Smessaert and Rob Torstensson have been holding the opponent to an average of 20-30 shots per game. The offense has been improving up to a goal a game.

WITH ONLY TWO games remaining in the regular season, the Trojans are preparing for the Northeast division playoffs. Easthi will duel with Niles West on their first playoff game on February 23, at 9 p.m. at the Glenview Ice Center.

Any student interested in trying out for the Trojans summer hockey team should contact coach Levin at 673-0195.

Girls' Sports in brief

Ripplettes tryout

The 1975 Ripplettes Swim Club had their showpart tryouts on January 25 after school. Sponsor Mrs. Marcia Berke together with other PE teachers tested the girls on their stroking, floating, and stunts.

GIRLS WHO WILL be doing their own solo number for this year's show include Nicki Odlivak, Chris Frolich, and Beth McCloud. Doing duets are Nan Odlivak and Jody Connix, and Wendy Epstein and Cheryl Underwood. The trio will consist of Carol Michals, Diane Johnson, and Julie Schmidt with Dawn Flakne, Ellen Brin, Robin Klein, and Carolyn Ohlwein participating in the quartette.

A variety of group numbers are being planned for the show which will be given early in May at the Niles West pool.

East takes 10th

This year's girls' gymnastics season came to a close with the league meet on January 31 and February 1 at Niles North. All eleven teams in the league competed. Niles West won the meet, while East took 10th place.

THE LAST CONFERENCE meet for East was held at Glenbrook North on January 22. Robin Shore took first on horse, and Jodi Smoot was fourth in floor exercise. Coach Marcia Berke commented that "we didn't do too well." One possible reason could be the fact that Peg Krause, Shawn Moses, and Carol Greenspan were all out with injuries.

The team's overall season ended with a fourth place finish in the division. Miss Berke commented that "it was a good season — we did better than

last year." She also noted that this year's freshmen looked "pretty strong" and added that she only had three upperclassmen competing, the rest being freshmen and sophomores.

Cagers selected

The 1975 Girls' Basketball Team was selected after tryouts were held on February 3. The varsity team consists of Suzanne Arnpolin, Karen Behr, Jamie Borkovitz, Michelle Chernick, Kathy Coclanis, Karen Frazier, Jill Greenberg, Debbie Jaski, Judy Lee, Elaine Masover, Pam Schnell, Ellen Schwartz, and Nancy Seiden. The junior varsity team members include Diane Ament, Jill Chavin, Dawn Flakne, Donna Johnson, Lauren Johnson, Nancy Marx, JoAnn Schnitzer, Andrea Slowik, Angie Trauth, Jenise Vassilatos, and Sandy Zimbansky.

FOURTEEN VETERAN players including last year's high scorer Karen Behr, who totaled 60 points, will be playing.

Last year's Varsity squad was 2-2, and placed third in the Central Suburban League. The J-V was 1-3 and finished fourth. The first home game against Glenbrook South will be held next Friday at 4:15 p.m. Last season, the Varsity compiled an overall record of 1-4 good for fourth place, while the J-V was 2-3.

Bowlers second

The Girls' Interscholastic bowling team placed second in the district meet Saturday, February 1, at Oakton Bowl.

BOTH THE VARSITY and Junior Varsity came in first place at the League Invitational

Pride and hope, those will be the words that will be on the minds of Trojan trackmen this year. Pride is being a Niles East runner. Hope is for hoping the runners represent Easthi to their fullest.

THIS YEAR'S SQUAD has a total of 30 athletes. On the varsity level, four sophomores will be used for most meets this year.

In the distance runs, the team will have reasonably good depth. Coach Bill Madsen has set it up so that the distance-men change events from meet to meet. The races will be half mile, and two-miles. Mark Scherfling, Barry Hartman, Mark Lichtenstein, Hal Sloan, Ken Golub, Ron Stein, and Larry Bower will be competing.

IN THE SPRINTS 50-yard dash, 440-yard run, and 4-lap relay, the Trojans runners will be John Christopoulos, Dave Greenberg, Steve Apollo, Joel

Sher, Rich Zelvin, and Dave Sacks. The hurdlers Sal Parenti, Dave Greenberg and Steve Apollo will be participating. In the field event outside of the long jump the team is deeply in short supply of men. The long jump which has the proper depth has jumpers like Greenberg, Apollo, and Mike Manette. The shot put has three competitors. Junior Martinez, and Sophomores Tony Tiagonce, and Mike Delmonico. Pole vault and high jump thus far has no participants. This hurts because the other team gather valuable points without opposition.

Last week the Trojans beat Hubbard and Adlai Stevenson 55-45½-33½. The Sophs didn't fare as well as they were out manned badly. The varsity victory, highlighted by many individual performances, focused on Parenti who won both the high and low hurdles and Steve Apollo who took fourth in the low

hurdles. Dave Greenberg took first in the 50 yd. dash with Apollo taking second. Greenberg also led a sweep in the long jump by winning with a jump of 17 feet, 10½ inches with Apollo and Mike Manette finishing next.

IN THE HALF-MILE, Larry Bower reached the top with a winning time of 2:10; Mark Scherfling took third, and Ken Golub, fourth. In the two-mile Barry Hartman took second and Mark Lichtenstein took third. In the mile Ron Stein ran hard to a second place finish followed closely by Hartman. The winner of the meet would be decided in the final event, the 12-lap relay. The winner would take home first place. It came down to the last lap when anchor man Larry Bower took over the leading Hubbard runner and beat to the tape by only .7 of a second. Thus giving the Trojans their first victory.

Tankers gain first league win

by Jeff Weinstein

Easthi's varsity swimming team won their first league meet of the year last weekend against rival Niles West, by a score of 87-77. In the meet Ed Naumes was the Trojan stand-out by capturing both the 50- and 100-yard free style in excellent times. The winner of the meet wasn't decided until the final relay. In the race one of West's swimmers dived from the starting blocks too soon, disqualifying the Indians for the race and also handed the Trojans the victory. With this victory, East's overall record jumped to 6-10. This record has been the best in recent years.

THE WEST MEET ended the regular season competition, and

the districts are next in line. On February 22 East will hope to gain individual honors leading to the state meet the following weekend. Among the

hopefuls for East are Ed Naumes in the 50- and 100-yard free style and Rob Torstensson in the backstroke and 200-yard individual medley.

RAYMOND'S

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HISTORIC TOURS - New York

Trojan streak ends; lose to Glenbrook S.

by Jeff Weinstein

Tonight, Easthi's basketball team will be seeking revenge on Maine West for the heart-breaking loss they were handed on December 13 when they were beaten by a last second shot from Steve Zucharini. Maine West is currently 5-4 in league action and will be one of East's tougher opponents left to play toward the end of the season.

IN ORDER TO STOP West this time, they will have to stop the brother act of Steve and Bob Zucharini. Next weekend will be the show down everyone has been waiting for. The Trojans will travel to Niles West for a rematch after the overtime victory West gained earlier in the season. The key to winning this affair will be to stop Marty Block. That assignment will probably be handed to Bobby Warsaski. The last time these two met, Warsaski did the job on Block holding him scoreless in the first half, and only to twelve points for the entire contest. But, in that game, East had the misfortune of losing center John Harles for a quarter due to an injury. This was a big factor in the outcome of the first game. The Easthi cagers will really be up for this one. On February 28, East will finish league play against Central Suburban League cellar-dwellers Niles North. The last time they met, East was an easy 73-60 victor.

In the last month, the Trojans have been playing superb basketball compiling a 3-1 record. The first of the three wins came against Maine East. This contest was close all the way with neither team having a

large bulge. Standouts for East were John Harles with 27 points, and Neil Schreiber and Mark Brines with 10 points.

THE NEXT TROJAN FOES were the first place New Trier West Cowboys, a tough fight for the Trojans as the Cowboys were sporting a 6-1 record at the time. But, the cagers nailed the cocky West squad beating them 71-64 on West's home floor. East shot an unbelievable 53 per cent. But, the difference in this game was the hustle that the Trojans exerted, while West seemed to be taking it easy. Guard Bobby Warsaski forced many turnovers as usual, and added 12 points to equal his seasonal high. High scorer for East was once again John Harles as he continued to dominate CSL play by netting 22 points and playing extremely well on defense. Neil Schreiber scored 15 points attributable to his great inside moves.

The following week East suffered a letdown against an inferior Glenbrook South team. East just didn't have it this evening. They were not loose on the court. Many bad passes were thrown early causing the Trojans to fall behind. South was very successful with a back-door play that caught the cagers flatfooted many times. At the half East was down 32-28. The same play continued through the second half, but the Trojans were never out of the game. Even with :21 seconds left the Trojans were winning by 1 point and had a shooter at the line. The free throws were missed and South came down and won the game with a 12 footer off the glass with :06



(Photo by Daniel Lustig)

Junior forward Neil Schreiber drives for lay-up in recent game against Glenbrook South.

seconds remaining to come away with a 59-58 victory. In the game East connected on only 18-41 free throws. The following evening East made amends for the previous loss

by beating Morton East in a nonconference game 62-58. High scorer for East was Neil Schreiber with 20 points.

Tonight's contest with Maine West begins at 6:30 for the soph-

omore game, and 8:30 for the Varsity game.

After the Morton East game, East has compiled an overall record of 9-10, and a 4-6 conference record.

Gymnasts hard at practice; Districts right around corner

by Paul Milstein

Niles East Gymnastics Team is currently preparing for the district meet of the state tournament on Saturday, February 22 at 7 p.m. East has a good chance of capturing the district crown with most of the competition coming from Niles West.

LEADING OFF FOR East on free exercise will be Brian Ab-

rams and Neal Sher. Both men have been scoring in the 8's and should place in the top five. On side horse, the Trojans' hopes ride with Mike Burke who they are hoping can go all the way. Burke who has previously hit in the 9's is a favorite for the state side horse championship. Sher also has a good side horse routine and should place among the leaders.

Steve Pollice is the favorite for trampoline. Steve has been hitting his routine with consistency, and should place high in the state competition. On high bar, Sher has a good shot to take first in the districts and probably among the top five in the state. Sher's routine consists of inlocated giants and a difficult pike-doubleback dismount. On parallel bars the only hope is Sher. His set is scoring in the high 8's, but also in the district is last year's state p-bar champ Bart Connors.

PHIL ADELMAN WOULD have also competed in this meet

on p-bars, but he dislocated his shoulder in a recent meet. The last event, rings, should also be a strong event for the Trojans. They expect to have two top finishers, Dave Abrahamson and again Sher. Abrahamson has been injured all year, but has been looking strong in the last few meets. Sher also will place very high in the all-around competition with an average in the low 8's.

The next step in the state tournament is sectionals, which will be held on March 1 at Niles West. A week later state preliminaries will be held at Mt. Prospect in two sessions. Free exercise, side horse, and high bar in the afternoon, while in the evening session the remaining events will be held. The state finals will be held on March 8.

THE TEAM AS a whole has gone against three easy schools recently. They defeated Glenbrook North, Maine West, and Deerfield.

Wrestlers head for districts; look for state contenders

by Ira Fishman

Niles East's best wrestling team in many years is looking anxiously ahead to the first level of the State Wrestling Tournament, the district meet, being held today and tomorrow at Glenbrook South. Coach Richardi and his wrestlers are confident that they can come away with a high finish, possibly the District Championship.

THIS OPTIMISM IS well founded. The team now sports a 12-3 overall record and has not been defeated in a dual meet since December 14. Their conference record now stands at 7-2 and leaves them in a tie for second place in the conference. The wrestlers wrapped up the division title with a 5-0 record by defeating Deerfield 25-16 on February 1.

This outstanding performance comes as a surprise to everyone, especially Coach Richardi, who felt that the team's inexperience would keep it from going far. However, despite fielding a starting lineup which includes five sophomores and a freshman, the team has exhibited both poise and mat savvy.

WITHOUT A DOUBT, the high

light of the season was the emotion-filled 28-16 victory over Maine West. The meet was up for grabs until the last three weight classes when George Christopoulos, his brother Pete, and Joe Colucci all came up with victories. Key victories also were recorded by Jeff Rock, Rick Yale, Mike Hinske, and Paul Kostyniuk.

Among other high points of the season was the team's third place finish in Russ J. Erb Memorial Tournament during the winter vacation. Capturing places in this tournament, which many considered the best in the state, were 98-pounder Jeff Rock (2nd), 119-pounder Rick Yale (4th), 145-pounder Paul Kostyniuk (2nd), 167-pounder George Christopoulos (5th), 185-pounder Pete Christopoulos (3rd), and heavyweight Joe Colucci (3rd).

IT IS, HOWEVER, the District tournament which determines the fortunes of a wrestling team. The first two place winners move to the sectionals where in turn the top two finishers travel to Champaign for the state finals on February 28 and March 1.

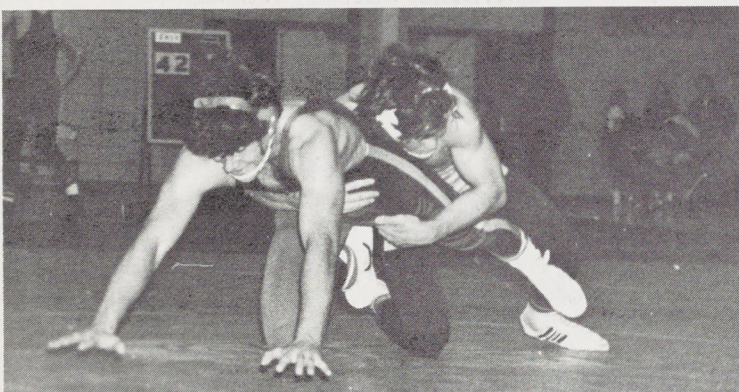
The Trojans must be considered among the favorites at the Districts. Coach Richardi feels several wrestlers should advance to sectionals and hopefully to the state meet. Leading this contingent are seniors Jeff Rock, who has posted a 20-3-1 record so far, Paul Kostyniuk (20-2-1), and George Christopoulos (17-5-2). While these three wrestlers have district experience, they are not the only Trojan threats. Junior Pete Christopoulos has posted 16 wins on the way to a 21-4 record, and Hinske has not been beaten in 12 outings.

IN ADDITION, JUNIOR heavyweight Colucci sports 15-2-1 record, and freshman Yale has compiled an outstanding 12-3 varsity slate. Not only are these wrestlers district and state hopefuls, but all must be considered for all-conference honors.

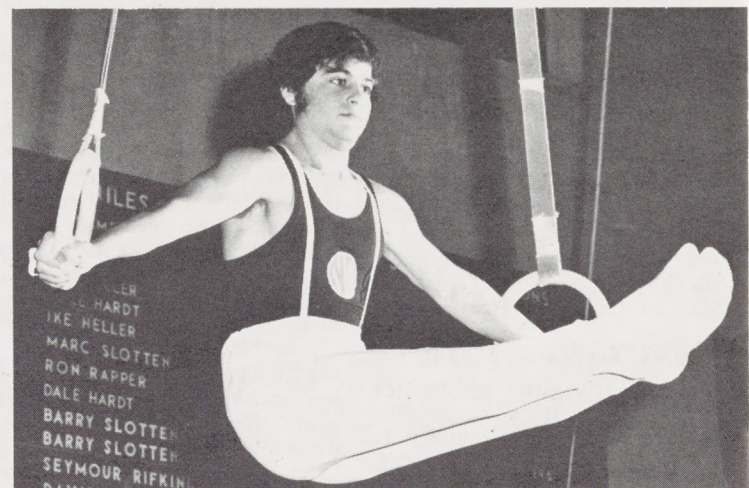
The varsity is not the only team which deserves mention. In fact, all three levels had outstanding seasons. The Al Poznansky coached J-V has a 9-6-1 overall record and is led by undefeated Todd Robbins and Ira Fishman, along with Corey Fishman who has one loss.

THE SOPHS LED by Stan Rosen, Daryl Ullberg, and Bruce Hoffman have posted a 12-3 record. Coach Steve Poznansky has utilized wrestlers such as 98-pounder Rich Cole and 132-pounder Hal Krause to direct the Frosh to a 12-5 mark. Both teams have finished high in their respective conference.

For the entire wrestling program this has been the finest season since coach Howard Byram retired eight years ago. If things continue as they are going the season could prove to be among the best ever.



Easthi wrestler takes down opponent from referee's position.



(Photo by Jeff Cohen)

Senior ringman Barry Grodsky displays L-cross in recent gymnastic meet.

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