Computers Speed Scheduling Work, But...

It Takes 9 Months To Plan 9 Months

By Raphael Pollock

It took nine months of hard work to get into U-High's hands the schedule they got today, according to Principal Carl Rinne, himself a new-comer.

In addition, four teachers are returning from leaves of absence.

Lab Schools Director Francis V. Lloyd Jr. stated in the May Parent's Newsletter that teachers leave because they are offered more interesting jobs, a result of the Lab Schools' reputation for excellence.

BEING PEOPLE who love challenge and novelty, they find such offers hard to resist, Mr. Lloyd explained.

They also leave for personal reasons such as spouses moving to other jobs in other regions, dislike of city living, fear of Chicago, dislike of the school, feeling uncomfortable with colleagues, and illness, he added.

Mr. Rinne has proposed an open period plan.

"During a free period, instead of going first to the library, a student will report to the library," Mr. Rinne explained. "From here he may go to an area to suit his needs: quiet study, library, student-teacher meeting room, cafeteria or counselors."

ULTIMATELY, Mr. Rinne hopes the open period program will allow students to see films in the Little Theater, attend an interesting lecture or use the gymnasium.

The Dean's office will have a schedule of all such activities under the plan, yet to be determined by the faculty.

Another change at U-High this year is the dress code, which allows more freedom. The rules state only that students may not go barefoot or wear short, bermudian or (for girls) slacks, unless the principal gives special permission.

New teachers reflect a diversity of educational backgrounds.

In the Social Studies department, Mr. Carl Bell, who has a B.A. from Wake Forest College, comes with experience teaching in Hampton, Va.

Mr. Lloyd continued.

New teachers also leave because of higher salaries elsewhere, desire to continue graduate work, distrust of the administration, too much or too little freedom, and moving on to other jobs after obtaining Lab Schools experience, Mr. Lloyd continued.

They return a diversity of educational backgrounds.

IN THE SOCIAL STUDIES department, Mr. Carl Bell, who has a B.A. from Wake Forest College, comes with experience teaching in Hampton, Va.

Mr. James Cohen has a B.A. from Yale and experience at William and Mary.

Miss Maaiel holds a B.A. from the University of Minnesota and has taught high school in Minneapolis.

Mr. Thomas Newman, who taught at the Lab Schools in 1965-66, has a B.A. from the University of Texas and experience at Boys' and Girls' clubs.

Science department's only new-comer is Mr. Murry Honizky from Bowen high school. He holds a B.S. from Chicago Teachers college.

Foreign language students will be greeted by five new teachers.

Miss Mary Johns, who will teach Russian, has a B.A. from the University of California and has taught at New Trier high school.

FRENCH TEACHERS include Miss Sarah McEachern, who has a B.A. from Hunter college and was an assistant teacher at the University of Wisconsin last year; Miss Katharine Morriseau, who holds an M.A. from the University of Chicago and taught previously at Hillside (III.) high school; and Mrs. Teresa McCarthy, A.B.

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On The Midway

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Tuesday, Sept. 26—Soccer game against Neenah, varsity only, 3:30, p.m.

Friday, Sept. 26—Soccer—Chicago Christian, varsity, 4 p.m., home.

Friday, Sept. 29—Parents' Association party for seniors, 5-9 p.m., Seaman's Garden.

Tuesday, Oct. 3—Soccer against St. Mal, varsity and fresh-soph, 4 p.m., away.

Friday, Oct. 6—Soccer against Loyalist Christian, varsity, 4 p.m., home.

NEXT SHOWTIME

Midway out after school Tuesday, Oct. 10.
The Spotlight Swings To People

Each year, the Midway editorial board decides what the paper will try to accomplish. We feel it is important that U-High's students, administrators, faculty, and parents understand just what we're out to do.

And we feel we must remain free to define and fulfill our purpose on our own. If the Midway is to aid the education of both its staff and its student readers.

The Midway is undergoing a major overhaul this year. The emphasis is on people involved in events, rather than the events themselves. We'll try to interpret the news, telling the reader how it affects him, instead of simply reporting it.

The paper will be more timely, too. The Midway will appear every other Tuesday for a total of 18 full-sized issues, five more than last year.

This full-sized first-day edition replaces the smaller Midway-ette of previous years.

The physical aspects of the paper have been changed, too, with bold horizontal makeup, what we hope will be large, newsworthy photographs and abundant art work.

We accomplished these goals the Midway will be special indeed; to our knowledge only one other high school paper (the John Marshall Rocket of Rochester, Minn.) has adopted this format. We hope to come up with the same kind of success that paper achieved.

We're not throwing the complete formula of previous staffs out the window. We will continue to lead the school, rather than simply reporting it.

Though we receive financial support from the Student Council, which appropriates Student Activity funds, the Council still has no say in what we print.

We reserve the right to determine what is and isn't newsworthy. We consider our selves professionals and our publication more than a mere bulletin board.

We recognize our responsibility to publicize school events, but we will not be forced to give them space according to news value as we see it.

As editors, we are the opinion of the editorial board, not the voice of the students, faculty or parents, who can express their opinions in letters. The staff prints as many letters as possible according to news value. They must be signed.

Second Thoughts:

As students new to U-High, what do you expect U-High and U-Highers to be like?

LIE MANSCHRECK, junior: I expect U-High to have an over-all excellence in quality that will rank it above other schools I've attended. The students at such schools would naturally be more diversified.

LISA SCHUCKMAN, junior: I hate to go into things with expectations because I'm usually disappointed. But I'm sure I'll get a better education. The people will be basically the same (Lisa attended Harvard-Westlake, Los Angeles), but a whole lot more of them.

KENNETH DEVINE, sophomore: U-High will be both fun and hard and its students not very different from those at South Shore.

Congress Aims To Help Schools

Since he left U-High in March, former Principal Willard Congreve has worked on a program to assess education problems in the Chicago Public Schools.

The program represents a collaboration between the University of Chicago, the Woodlawn Organization and the Chicago Public Schools.

It is financed by the U.S. Office of Education.

ONE OF THE problems Mr. Congreve's group has identified is an acute lack of substitute teachers in city schools.

Mr. Congreve believes there are several reasons for Chicago's relieve summer.

"ONE OF THE main factors," he hypothesized, "is a new superintendent of schools, who demonstrated that he really wants to solve the problems of the school.

"The city itself provided many more facilities. High school pools were open to the public all summer, and there were many programs for young people," Mr. Congreve explained.

Another reason, Mr. Congreve said, could have been a $925,000 grant for retraining of gang members by Y.W.C.A., the Woodlawn organization.

Montag Glad He's Back Teaching

Mr. Montag said that his "previous beliefs about the students were confirmed. They are very sensible, compassionate. They know why they are in school and show it. They may get upset at times but they do so for good reasons.

Mr. Montag described graduation day as "nerve-wracking." He enjoys speaking at the graduation exercises, however.

"I WORKED with the Class of '67 as both a teacher and principal and was very honored to speak."
Patlak Sees ‘Building’ Season

Opening what Coach Sandy Patlak feels will be a building season, the Varsity Soccer Maroons seek a traditional victory 2:45 p.m. tomorrow at Francis Parker.

The team will feel the loss to graduation of State All-Stars Norman Epstein and Peter McGeehan. The Maroons, however, are in top shape in the goalie area drawing from the skills of Mark Zelisko, Bruce Harvitz and Glen Frelshin, all juniors.

OTHER OUTSTANDING returning players include State-All-Star Dave Jacobs, junior, and Larry Bech, senior. Zelisko and Jacobs were varsity regulars last year although only sophomores.

Patlak is confident that the Maroons can win at least 60 per cent of their games in a schedule which includes teams as tough as De La Salle, Evanston, Oak Park, and new opponent New Trier West.

COACH PATLAK especially is looking forward to the games against Illiana Christian and Chicago Christian, Sept. 29 and Oct. 6 here.

"I got them interested in organizing soccer teams years ago," he explains. "From soccer classes, they formed teams. They’ve improved so much, they are on our level now, and can play some of the bigger teams as we do." A week from tomorrow, Oct. 3, the Maroons travel to St. Mel for a 4-9 p.m. game. U-High has tied St. Mel twice 1-1 in the past two years.

HANDICAPPING the Maroons, as usual, is a lack of pre-season practice.

"We are the latest starting school in our league, so we have the least time to prepare," Coach Patlak says.

Home games may not be played on Starr field this year due to the impending construction of a U. of C. library on the site. When construction starts, games will be played on the Midway. An area with poor physical qualities, the Midway was not built for athletics and is not wide enough for an A-1 field.

Patlak hopes that he will see the spirit in this year’s team that he saw in ’66.

"Even the guys who weren’t stars played their hearts out.”

Cheerleader Reports Face Rough Time

“Lots of hard work is in store for the freshman and sophomore girls trying out for the frosh-soph cheerleading squad this fall. Even more work can be expected by the girls who are chosen for the squad.”

So advise Varsity Cheerleaders Laurey Hirsch and Bonnie Boswell. The varsity squad was chosen last spring, but the frosh-soph girls won’t be picked until school is well underway.

Announcements of tryouts and the training clinics which precede them will appear in the daily bulletin.

"If you’re going to try for cheerleading, expect to see a cheerleader not only on the gym floor when you’re yelling for your team, but in everything you do around school,” Laurey advises.

"All candidates must keep in mind that the cheerleaders’ duty is not to entertain during timeouts but, rather, to get the crowd to let the boys know they’re on their side," Laurey adds.

Bonnie believes that "The mechanics can’t be taught and are not as important as true vitality and pep for cheering candidates."

"A girl should forget trying out if she’s not really enthusiastic about it.”

"A true smile and genuinely enthusiastic attitude seems to be the distinguishing factor between a merely skillful acrobat and a good cheerleader."

"If a girl tries out positively,” Laurey advises, "Think enthusiasm and you’ll look enthusiastic, think frightened and you’ll look frightened."

"It’s all a state of mind,” Bonnie adds.

"The judges look for real enthusiasm.”

As for mastering the tryout cheers, "Practice until you can’t practice any more and you still won’t be perfect," Laurey says.

"That’s the only way to learn. It’s harder than it looks.”

Coach Sees Soccer Victories

If If. V. Goal tanker Found

By Dick Dworkin

Though only two starters from last year will return to the frosh-soph soccer team, Coach Ed Pounder believes that if he finds a goalie, the squad could win all its games.

"I don’t have much of an idea of who will come out, but I’m sure of the kind of team we’ll have," he says.

"It’ll be small, fast and highly skilled. If this school didn’t start teaching the kids soccer in the 4th grade, we could never compete with the teams we play. The size difference would be much too much.”

FRESHMAN year here, is responsible for U-High’s younger, which combines 7th and 8th grades, and therefore smaller athletes.

Apparently the elementary school’s physical education program has produced enough short, speedy, and skilled soccer players in the past to assure Mr. Pounder that this year’s freshman hopefuls will fit the mold. He had not seen the freshmen hopefuls as this story was written.

"If we’re going to match last year’s record (2-0-3) we’ll have to outrun our opponents and have the same good teamwork. Steve Pitts and Dudley Clayton (two returning starters) will help hold us down, but a goalie is the key.”

A QUICK CHECK shows that the elementary school doesn’t produce goalies the way it does forwards, fullbacks and halfbacks.

None of the 1966 Maroons’ three outstanding goalies were greenies here, and one of them (Mark Zelisko) replaced a long-term Lab Schooler as varsity goalie. So the answer may be a freshman new to the school.

The frosh have a week more than the varsity to prepare for their goalies, 4 p.m. next Tuesday, Oct. 3 at St. Mel. Frosh-soph beat St. Mel 44 last season in its biggest win of the year, and unless Mel has improved greatly, U-High should win its first game.

Opens Tomorrow

Tourlaks Takes Over Runners

Mr. Tom Tourlak will coach the cross-country teams this season, replacing Mr. Elmer Busch, who has left U-High.

The Maroons are aiming for a 2-8 season, said Runner Ed Taylor. "In our first two years we had 9-1 and 8-1-1 records. This season we can turn that tie into a victory.”

FRIDAY at 3:45 p.m. the Maroons will play host to Timothy Christian and try to avenge last year’s 33-25 loss at the Christian’s hands.

Next Tuesday at 3:45, Maroons travel to Loffer North.

"Having played Luther 1-1 last year,” Ed comments, "we should be able to tie or beat them.”

BACK TO BACK meets with Illiana Christian, Friday, Oct. 6, here, and Tuesday, Oct. 10, there will be all but certain losses for U-High, who dropped two to the Vikings last year.

The harriers will be hurt by the loss to graduation of David Orden and Dave Tave. Orden holds U-High’s record for 10-46 and consistently placed 1st or 2nd for the last three years.

EXPECTED TO lead the team this year is Oscar Rattenberg, Oscar is now U-High’s strongest runner and holds Illiana’s 1.9 mile course record at 10:09.

Juniors John Menguy and Eric Johnson along with Seniors Oscar Rattenberg, Ed Taylor and Stan Denis will reign the team, as will Senior Mike ‘Pudie’ Kalven, back after a year’s absence.

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Summer Finds Them Scattered

U-Highers Try T.V., Ships

By Michael Berke

Sailing on the Great Lakes on bulk carriers, helping to produce television shows, studying math and computers and helping out on an archaeological dig were some of the ways U-Highers spent their summer.

Senior Mike Steere spent his summer working as a deckhand and second cook aboard bulk carriers traversing the Great Lakes.

From Buffalo to Lake Superior, Mike worked swabbing decks, helping unload cargo, chipping paint and washing dishes.

MIKE RECALLED a sailor because he "wanted to get away from it all," the pay was $1 an hour and "it's very glamorous sailing to exotic ports on the Great Lakes."

"People talk about becoming a sailor," Mike said, "but I've done it."

Glenn McDavitt, also a senior, spent his summer participating in a National Science Foundation mathematics and computer programming institute at Illinois Institute of Technology.

GLENN, WHO IS interested in math and computers, took courses in number theory and computer programming while living on the ITT campus in a dorm.

Larry Carroll spent his summer as assistant producer on two West Coast television programs.

Larry worked with such stars as Sonny and Cher, the Beach Boys, Mrs. Miller, Troy Donahue and Donna Warwick at station KLIF in Los Angeles on two pop music shows: "Bossa City," a live 90-minute weekly program, and "Groovy," a videotaped hour show seen five times a week.

Larry got his job when he was at the beach where "Groovy" was being shot and he offered to help with production.

His duties included working on scripts to fit time periods, analyzing interest in archaeology actual field practice.

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