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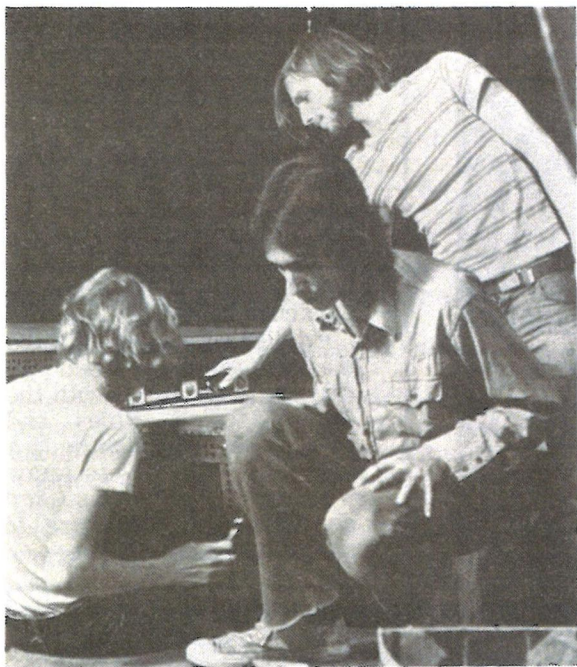


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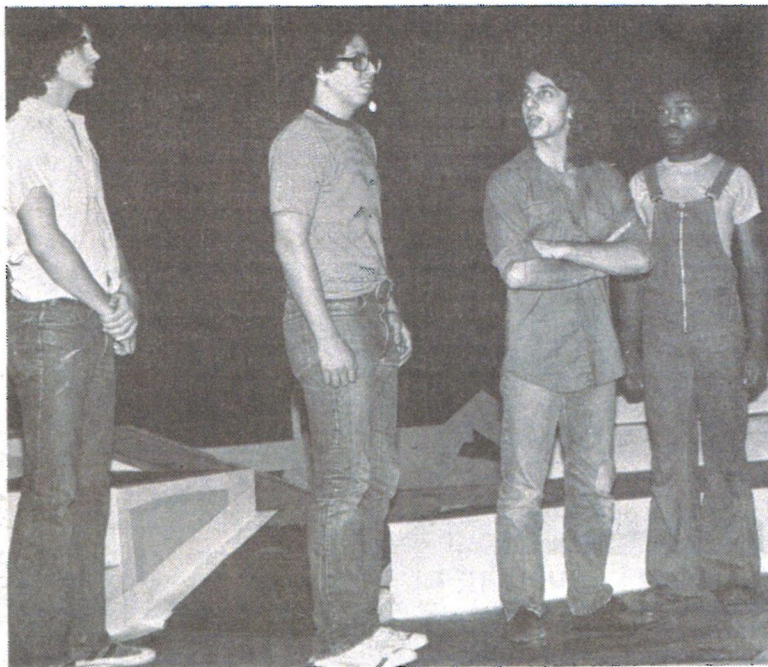


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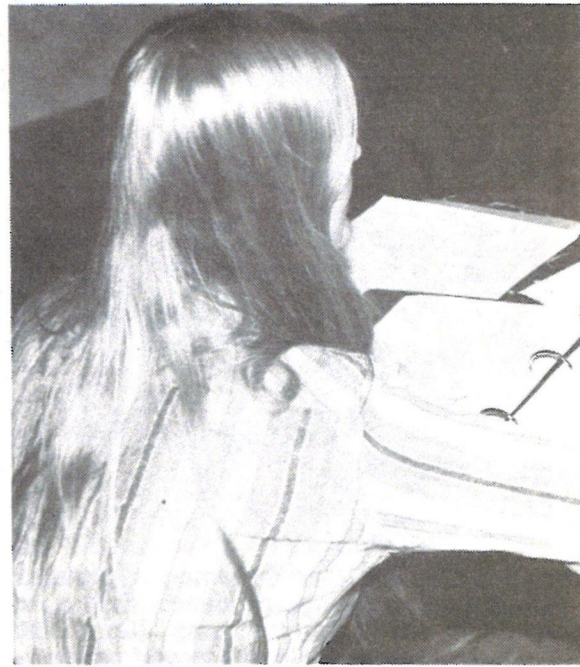


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THREE STAGES in the production of this year's fall play, "The Enchanted," are shown in these photos, from left.

DAN HUTTENLOCHER, technical director (center), Andy Neal (back to camera) and Norman Stockwell, '75, work on the ramps and platforms

which will compose part of the setting.

REHEARSING A "BEAT," a production unit of the play, from left, Scott Wilkerson, Jon Simon, Hal Bernstein and Stephen Patterson work on lines and stage movement. Later they will rehearse in

costume.

REFERRING to her book of notes, Drama Teacher Liucija Ambrosini, director of the play, closely observes the rehearsal, ready to offer comments on how to improve the beat.

Human effort 'enchants' production

By Jon Simon

When the lights go up on "The Enchanted," this year's fall production, audiences will see the result of more than two months of preparation.

The play, by Jean Giraudoux, will be presented 7:30 p.m., Thurs.-Sat., Nov. 20-22 in Belfield Theater. Tickets are 50 cents for students and \$1.50 for adults.

EVEN BEFORE school began, Drama Teacher Liucija Ambrosini started work on the fall production.

"I read a lot of plays," she explained during a lunch break on a recent rehearsal day as she stared thoughtfully at the play scripts lining one wall of her office.

"I think about how good the parts are for high school actors, for roles they can develop. 'The Enchanted' has a lot of large parts and a good male-female balance."

THE PLAY, which Ms. Ambrosini describes as a fantasy, is set in a small French town. Strange events occur after the appearance of what the townsfolk believe is

a ghost. This supposed ghost (to be played by Matt Grodzins) becomes friendly with a young school teacher (Barbara Bormuth).

An inspector (Hal Bernstein), together with the town supervisor of weights and measures (Stephen Patterson), a doctor (Scott Wilkerson) and the mayor (Jon Simon) make an investigation of the alleged ghost.

Other actors in the production include:

Denise Berry, Becky Brisben, Danny Lashof, Peter Fritzsche, Andy Neal, Jeff Binmoeller, Maria Hinojosa, Joyce Stone, Daniele Lindeimer, Elizabeth Goldwyn, Isabel Bradburn, Denise Laffer and Andrea Nusbaum.

AFTER CHOOSING "The Enchanted," as with all plays, Ms. Ambrosini began to prepare her set design. She starts by trying to "develop a concept, an idea of how the play moves."

The set for "The Enchanted," composed of ramps and platforms, was designed by Ms. Ambrosini with the assistance of her husband, Allen, a theater manager at the University of Illinois Circle Campus.

Next Ms. Ambrosini chooses the cast. Tryouts,

where any student can audition, take place about seven weeks before the production's scheduled completion. They last five days, for about two hours after school.

"I LOOK for how an actor develops the part he's reading," Ms. Ambrosini said, "how flexible he is in developing characters. It boils down to 'this person read the best for this part'." Around 26 people auditioned

Months of effort precede play

for "The Enchanted," 19 of them received parts.

Meantime, Ms. Ambrosini divides the play into beats. "These areactable units," she explained. "A director looks through the play for major thought changes, certain exits, entrances and scene changes." For most of the production time, each beat will be rehearsed separately.

Next the play is blocked. Blocking is the design of the actors' movements.

"**THERE ARE** two or three preliminary steps," Ms. Ambrosini said. "I work with the actors in free movement. I look for what areas of the stage each scene should be in. I look at the movement pattern for each beat. Then I block the play. Each movement has to work for me; it should visualize to the audience what is going on."

Soon after the tryouts all the designs for the production must be finished. Within the first week set construction begins.

Two weeks into rehearsal the costumes must be designed. Costumes for "The Enchanted," designed by Becky Brisben, portray the time period the play is set in, the present.

Makeup is designed by two or three weeks before opening night. Cathy Agin and Denise Berry designed makeup for "The Enchanted."

AS SOON AS a part of the production is designed, set building begins and fabric is selected so the costume crew can get started. Ms. Ambrosini views each finished costume, for corrections, in a "dress parade."

As for props, "we go out and find them or build them," Ms. Ambrosini said.

Meanwhile, she is choosing music. "I spend 60 to 80 hours listening up to 100 records," she said.

Within a week or two before opening night, the lighting designer starts work, taking note of every other aspect of the play's design.

CREW HEADS for "The Enchanted" are:

Lights, Shayle Shagam; props, Denise Laffer and Cathy Agin; makeup, Karie Weisblatt; costumes, Elaine Sahlins; stage manager, Peter Fritzsche; house manager, Abbie Kleppa; publicity, Stephen Patterson, Denise Laffer and Michael Trosman; set, Michael Trosman; sound, William Vandervoort and David Newton.

Cathy Agin is assistant director and Dan Huttenlocher technical director.

Late in the evening of Sat., Nov. 22, the play's final night, after the audience has filed out, the costumes will be hung up, the lights cleaned and put away. Cast members will go off to celebrate their work. Behind the locked doors of Belfield 138 will be nuts and bolts, wood and glass, combined with more than two months of human effort, the machinery of dreams.

Imaginative courses

Love, fairies and English

By Fred Offenkrantz

"Myths, Dreams and Fairy Tales." "Writings From The Third World." "Personal Disasters." "Possessions." A program list from public television? No, those are some of the varied subjects studied in U-High English classes this quarter.

The object of offering such a variety is to help students learn to "be sensitive to the richness in fictional writing," according to Department Chairperson Darlene McCampbell.

Current quarterlong courses for juniors and seniors, and their teachers, are "Understanding Short Fiction," Harold Hoffenkamp; "Martyrs," Eunice McGuire; "Myths, Dreams and Fairy Tales," James Raftery; and "Writings From The Third World," Rex Martin.

"Writing," taught by Ms. McCampbell, is a yearlong course for juniors and seniors.

All three sections of the sophomore

yearlong course, taught separately by Rex Martin, James Raftery and Harold Hoffenkamp, are pursuing the theme "Love" this quarter. Each teacher has his own approach to the theme. Mr. Martin described his course as emphasizing "love and the conflict it brings." "It's not natural to govern one's passions," Mr. Raftery's course focuses on the symbolism in dreams and stories, he said. Mr. Hoffenkamp's classes are focusing on the nature of love.

Sections of the yearlong freshman course are being taught by Ms. McCampbell, Ms. McGuire, Carol Moseley and Sophie Ravin. Ms. Ravin chose to include a unit on "Possessions" in her class because, she said, "One's attitudes toward objects can often reveal his attitudes toward people." In her freshman course, Ms. Moseley taught a similar unit on "Personal Disasters" because, she said, "how someone reacts to a disaster in their life shows a lot about who they are."



Photo by Harry Gray

BOUNDING UP Kenwood Ave. at a speed faster than most cars, a small white and brown dog named Daisy races toward U-High where, as a frequent visitor, she has earned the unofficial title of "school dog." To prevent Daisy from interfering with classes, her owners, 7th-grader Cathy White and her family, try to restrict her romps at school to after classtime. But Daisy sometimes escapes to the halls of U-High early to play with her schoolmates.

Sunny Gym becomes barn as U-Highers go country



About 150 U-Highers became jus' plain country folk at Cultural Union's square dance Friday as they tried something other than the bump. Jim and Pat Hardwick, from the Chicago Caller's Association, served as emcees and provided the records. Jim called the dances while Pat went into the crowd and helped groups having trouble with the steps. Bales of hay were placed around the gym by Cultural Union representatives in an attempt at making Sunny Gym a passable barn. Some of them came attired with bandanas or overalls to add to the effect. Pretzels and punch relieved hungry and thirsty dancers after exhausting dances such as a 20-minute Virginia Reel. The party appeared to be a success; if you didn't know a step you could easily make it up.

Photos by Jim Marks

U-HIGHERS FLY in all directions (photos from to left) oblivious of the callers' "Circle to the left!"

HAIR FLIES as David Rothblatt and Sheila Igoe skip through a sequence of a dance.

AN ENTHUSIASTIC Peter Fritzsche gets totally involved in one of the quick-paced dances.



SLCC asks new English class policy

By David Gottlieb,
political Editor

U-Highers who don't like having their grades lowered for unexcused absence or tardiness in English classes may not suffer much longer.

Student Legislative Coordinating Council (SLCC) Secretary Robert Needlman attended an English Department meeting on Oct. 28 to discuss possible alternatives to lowering grades for unexcused absences.

English Teacher Harold Hoffenkamp offered to discuss alternatives with the Committee on Rules and Procedures, of which he is a member. SLCC is now working on ideas for changing the procedure to submit to the committee.

In The Wind

- **TODAY AND TOMORROW** — Swimming, Chicago Invitational, Chicago State University.
 - **THURS.-SAT., NOV. 20-22** — Fall production, "The Enchanted," 7:30 p.m., Belfield Theater.
 - **FRI., NOV. 21** — Volleyball, Lake Forest, 4 p.m., here; Boy's basketball, Iliana Christian, 6:30 p.m., there.
 - **TUES., NOV. 25** — Volleyball, Francis Parker, 4 p.m., here.
 - **WED., NOV. 26** — Thanksgiving assembly, 11:15 a.m., Rockefeller Chapel; Boys' basketball, Thanksgiving tournament, St. Francis de Sales.
 - **THURS., NOV. 27** — SUN., NOV. 30 — Thanksgiving recess.
 - **THURS., NOV. 27** — Cross country, St. Patrick's Turkey Trot, 10 a.m., Rilis Park.
 - **FRI., NOV. 28** — SAT., NOV. 29 — Boys' basketball, Thanksgiving tournament resumes St. Francis de Sales.
 - **MON., DEC. 1** — Parents' Association governing board meeting, 8 p.m., Assembly Room.
 - **TUES., DEC. 2** — Swimming Mt. Carmel, 4 p.m., here; Volleyball, North Shore, 4 p.m., there.
 - **FRI., DEC. 5** — Boys' basketball, Lake Forest, 4 p.m., here; Swimming, Lake Forest, 4 p.m., here; Girls' volleyball, Lake Forest, 4 p.m., there.
 - **SAT., DEC. 6** — Vocal I and II recital, 7:30 p.m., Assembly Room.
 - **TUES., DEC. 9** — Midway out after school; Boys' basketball, Morgan Park, 4 p.m., there; Swimming, Quigley North, 4 p.m., there; Volleyball, Morgan Park, 4 p.m., here.
- "In the Wind" is accurate when the Midway goes to press but is subject to changes that occur later.

Prior to Midway article

Librarians considered losses

By Paul Sagan

Librarians had discussed several changes in procedures to decrease book losses in the library prior to a story in the Oct. 7 issue, the Midway staff has learned. The Midway's story reported that librarians hadn't investigated the matter. The librarians, in interviews, did not say they had.

By comparing two audits of the literature section in the library, the Midway documented a loss of about 600 books over a five-year period from that section.

Neither an exact count of the total losses, or an estimate of the cost of replacing the lost books, exists.

Two methods of preventing losses have been considered

and dismissed by librarians, according to Head Librarian Blanche Janecek.

One method, considered too costly at an estimated several thousand dollars, involved placing a magnetic tape in library materials to sound an alarm if material being removed from the library had not been properly checked out.

The other method, rejected as disruptive to the library's working atmosphere, involved instituting a checkout system in which all people leaving the library would be searched.

Also see letter and PhotOpinions page 8.

Aluminum foils bye bye birdies

Approximately 54 birds since the beginning of the school year have died after colliding with windows at the front of the High School, according to Lower School Teacher Robert Strang, who has kept count of the fatalities.

Math Department Chairperson Alan Haskell consulted the curator of birds at Lincoln Park Zoo earlier this year to see what could be done about the problem. The curator explained to Mr. Haskell that birds were flying into the windows because they mistook the reflection cast by the windows for the sky. Under the supervision of Mr. Haskell, 8th-graders hung aluminum foil strips on the glass to break the reflection.

Vocalists to perform

Vocal classes and the High School choir will sing in a Thanksgiving assembly 11:15 a.m., Wed., Nov. 26 in Rockefeller Chapel.

High School vocal classes will also sing in concert, 7:30 p.m., Sat., Dec. 6 in the Assembly Room. The program will include both solos and ensembles.

Reactions to the first assembly of the year, Nov. 5, varied. Two actresses enacted scenes from three Shakespeare plays, sometimes mingling with the audience.

"I thought it was really nice. It made Shakespeare fun," Nancy Armand said.

Andy Neal had a different view. "They tried to make too much of a game of Shakespeare."

David Nayer thought that "if the assembly was meant

to show us the various ways Shakespeare kept the attention of the masses, and not the intellectual level we are taught in school, it succeeded."

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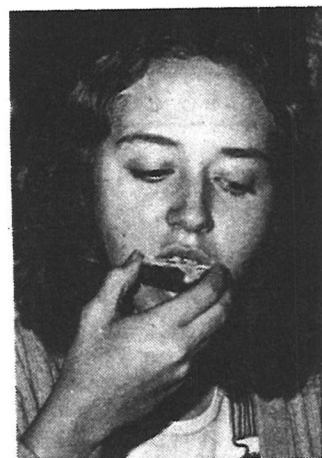
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Raise in salary still an issue

By David Gottlieb,
political Editor

An increase in salary remains the final major unresolved issue for faculty and administrative bargainers in negotiations for a new contract.

Having reached a tentative agreement on a new personnel policy, the faculty negotiators last month asked for a 12 per cent increase over the present salary schedule. Administrative negotiators made a "first and final offer" of a 5 per cent increase, according to Social Studies Teacher Earl Bell, a member of the faculty negotiating team.

Mr. Bell added that administrative negotiators said they would not raise their offer because of "legal reasons."

Also see editorial page 8.

Physics Club recycling project gets underway

By Fred Offenkrantz

Collection bins have been placed around U-High as part of a paper recycling project set up by the new Physics and Alternate Energy Club.

Participants in the program empty the bins weekly into collection centers on each floor. Then club members take the papers to regional collection bins at 61st St. and Blackstone Ave., explained the club's adviser, Science Teacher Paul Collard.

Among the club's other planned activities, according to President Jeff Sachs, are trips to a self-sufficient community about 25 miles outside Chicago and to the Argonne and National Accelerator Laboratories. At school, club members are renovating electronic equipment, including a computer, and completing a computer from a kit started at home by Mr. Collard.

Teachers go to conventions

Class activities, trips abound

By Greg Simmons

On field trips, in classrooms and at conventions, U-High students and teachers are involved in a wide variety of educational activities.

Among present and planned field trips in the city, and their organizers, include the following:

Sixteen students went to the Lake Calumet Port, the stock yards and planetarium areas, along with Navy Pier, with Social Studies Teacher Joel Surgal.

First-year science students went to the planetarium to view the stars they had been studying with Science Teachers Ernest Poll and Paul Collard.

Journalism students will tour the Sun-Times and Daily News plant with Journalism Teacher Wayne Brasler.

In the classrooms, activities include the following:

The High School choir is preparing for Thanksgiving and Christmas performances at Rockefeller Chapel under the direction of Music Teacher Richard Walsh.

Students in Christiane Fenner's third-year German class are interviewing people of German descent living in Hyde Park. German students enjoyed a German dinner at Peter Sprudz's house Oct. 10. Russian students enjoyed a dinner Oct. 24 at Cathy Kohrman's house.

Science Teacher Richard Boyajian has been working for a year-and-a-half to form a human genetics course for High School students. The course will focus on sickle cell anemia. Mr. Boyajian is editing and giving suggestions about the text booklet, being compiled by Dr. Edward Garber, professor in the department of biology at the University.

Math students this year are using new computer terminals in U-High 204.

Outside the classroom, Science Teacher Paul Collard has been setting up a telescope on the front steps of U-High, in the evening, allowing anyone who comes by to observe the stars

New Debate Club heads into meets bolstered by practices

By Jon Rasmussen

"Thus, for Japan, the for... WHAT?!"

Dan Huttenlocher is reading a speech at a Debate Club meeting lunchtime Thurs., Oct. 30.

"Is this word 'first' F-O-R-S-T—is it 'worst,' 'first'...?" It turns out to be "first," and the hectic practice session continues.

Debate has returned to U-High after three years' absence, with Social Studies Teacher Earl Bell as adviser. About 18 students, mostly boys, are members of the club; the membership fluctuates as students gain and lose interest.

The Oct. 30 meeting was to prepare for the club's first debate tournament, Fri., Oct. 31 and Sat., Nov. 1 at Glenbrook North High School in Northbrook. U-High lost.

Three four-person teams from the club participate in tournaments: the varsity level, junior varsity and novice teams.

All high school teams in the country this year are debating the topic of whether the development and allocation of scarce world resources should be controlled by an international organization.

Remaining tournaments this quarter are Nov. 20 at Glenbrook South and Dec. 12 at Thornridge High.

...while in Bell's class

By Jon Rasmussen

Social Studies Teacher Earl Bell has been using debate techniques in his classes since he came here nine years ago.

He pits his students against each other by stating propositions, called "questions," and assigning teams of students to argue the affirmative and negative sides of the questions.

Topics used have ranged from foreign policy, to city politics, to the American Revolution.

Mr. Bell believes that debating can lead to more thorough understanding of a subject than is usually reached by simply studying it.

"I think the big advantage," Mr. Bell said, "is that in working against

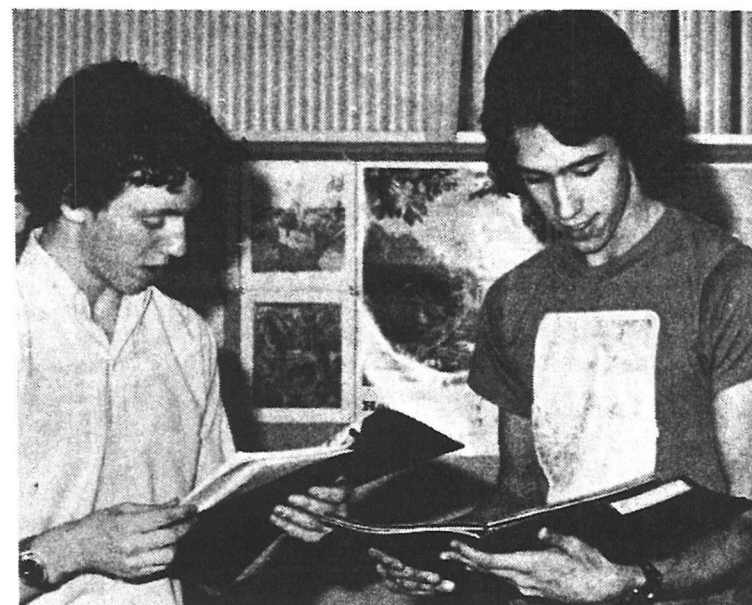


Photo by Andy Meyer

ASKING HIS OPPONENT questions about his case, Michael Shapiro, left, cross-examines Dan Huttenlocher in a practice session of the Debate Club.

someone, you see different sides of an issue. You consider what the other side will say."

Mr. Bell added that "You need to research a subject, not just talk off the top of your head."

Parents' program

Series strikes out

By Greg Simmons

A series of six seminars for single parent families sponsored by the Parents' Association has been cancelled because of lack of interest in the program.

The series is one of several programs being sponsored this year by the Association.

The Parents' Association

earlier this fall sponsored a program on communication in the family and a meeting at which the director and three principals spoke on the state of the Schools.

"The Parents' Association tries to have a broad membership of parents, to keep the members informed as well as is possible, to communicate with faculty and administration on behalf of parents and students," said Association President Alice Schlessinger.

The Association is also sponsoring a party in December for teachers and staff members.

Other Association projects include the ScholarShip Shop, 1372 E. 53rd St., a resale shop which benefits school programs and scholarships.

In February the Association will sponsor its annual Gilbert and Sullivan operetta for the same purposes.

paper at a meeting of the national association in December.

French Teacher Randy Fowler recently attended conferences on teaching French culture and the literature of Quebec.

Phys Ed Teacher Ron Drozd, track coach, was selected by the Illinois Track Coach Association as Independent School League representative. He will act as a go-between for the Association with coaches who are unable to attend meetings.

College Counselor Betty Schneider attended guidance conferences in Flint, Mich., and Atlanta, Ga.

Librarian Mary Biblo attended a conference sponsored by the Children's Reading Roundtable, of which Ms. Biblo is a member.

Social Studies Teacher Philip Montag attended a convention in Atlanta of the National Council of Social Studies Teachers.

Editor's note: Space limitations prohibit publishing news of all field and convention trips and class activities during the year, however, the Midway staff is always interested in learning of such activities for possible stories.

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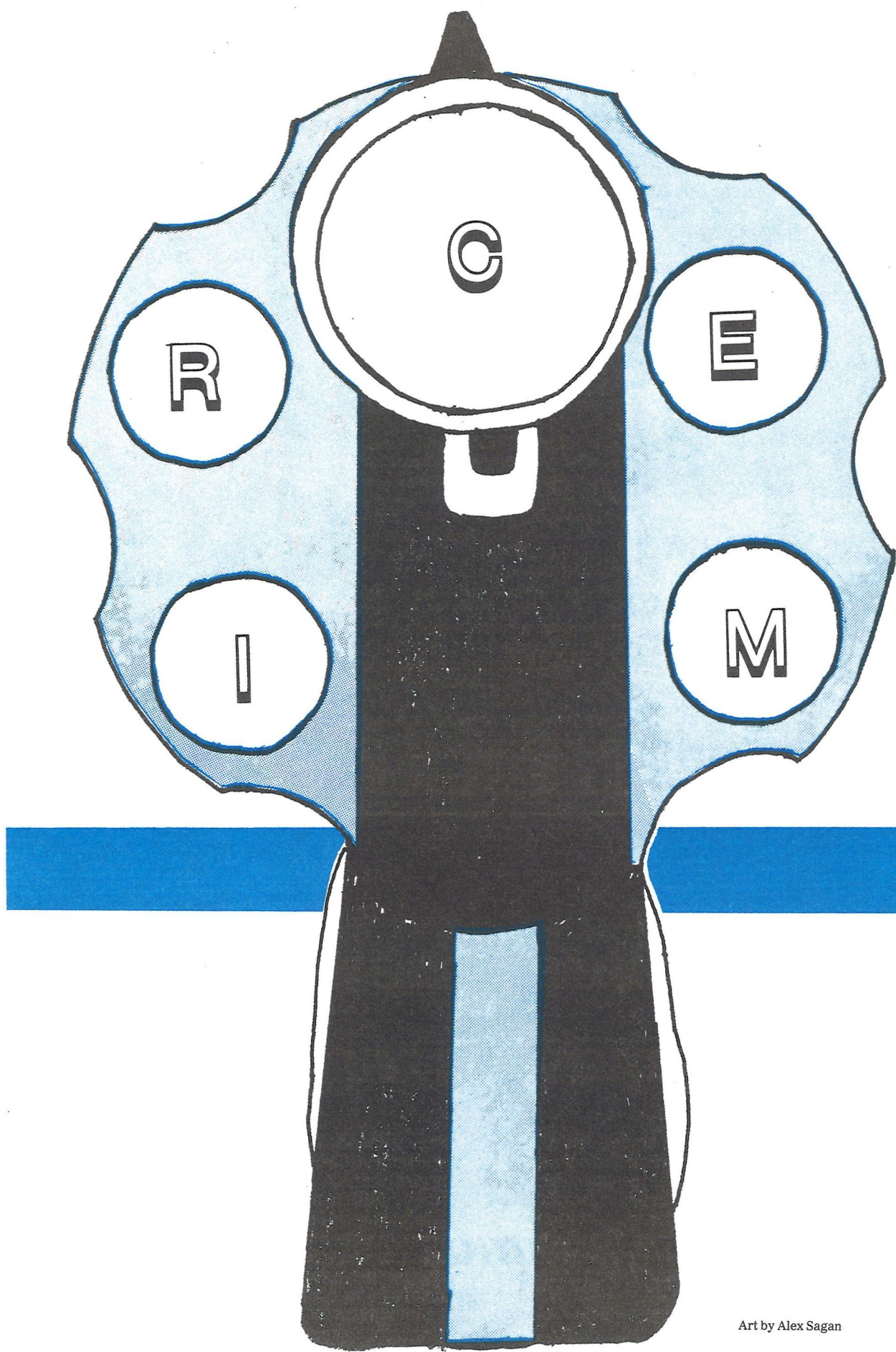
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Police, Ur protection

By Loren Taylor,
in-depth newsfeatures editor

Everytime a highly visible crime, such as several recently reported rapes, occur in the Hyde Park area, people wonder just how safe the community is. Two persons with authoritative opinions on the subject are Capt. George McMahon, commander of the 21st district of the Chicago Police Department; and D.J.R. Bruckner, University vice president for public affairs and director for the center for policy study.

Commander McMahon has been a policeman 20 years and commander of the district 18 months. He says he has familiarized himself with the 21st district, which extends from 18th St. to 61st St. and from the lake to Cottage Grove (but, north of 35th St., to Stewart), by talking to its residents.

Mr. Bruckner has been with the University three years. He is a native of Hyde Park. The Midway was referred to him when it requested a spokesman for the University security force.

ACCORDING TO Commander McMahon, reported crimes in the 21st district have increased in the past year in the areas of robbery, burglary, rape, purse snatchings and thefts from automobiles. Thefts of autos have decreased, from 519 last year to 363. Aggravated battery also decreased, from 74 to 70.

Commander McMahon commended these decreases, saying "Considering

How U-Highers feel about safety

By Greg Simmons,
public opinion editor

Seventy-one per cent of 171 students surveyed by the Midway feel Hyde Park is a safe community.

The survey was designed to find how U-Highers feel about the safety of the community. It did not require them to prove the validity of their feelings and it let them define what safety and crime are.

Most of the students said they feel Hyde Park is safe because they haven't experienced or witnessed any crimes.

Jim Goldwasser said, "I've never had any experience that would lead me to believe otherwise." Matt Rosenberg commented, "People say it's very dangerous, but I've never had any trouble; I think the danger has been blown out of proportion."

Wayne Smith pointed out, "It's one of the best policed areas in the city."

Sarah Newcomb observed, "There are more people and more police around here who really care about what is happening to the community."

While most students said they are not afraid to walk

the streets after dark, many pointed out that it is safer for boys and groups than for girls to walk at that time.

Susan Weil commented, "It's not the kind of place I'd want to walk around in, in the dark."

Adam Clement said, "If I were a female, I would be afraid to walk the streets after dark. There's this girl I date and I never let her walk alone at night."

While 76 per cent of the students surveyed said they'd walk out of Hyde Park past the Midway, only 37 per cent said they'd walk out of Kenwood past 47th Street.

Seventy-one per cent of the students would not walk past the Midway after dark, while 7 per cent would walk past 47th Street after dark.

A quarter of the people surveyed said they had been victims of crime in the past year. Thirty-eight per cent were victims in the past three years and 58 per cent were victims of crime in their lifetime.

Of those crimes, 79 per cent took place in Hyde Park. Sixty per cent of those surveyed said they had personally seen more crime in the Hyde Park area, rather than just having read about it, a finding which contradicted the majority of those polled saying they hadn't experienced or witnessed any crimes.

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Gun control group aims sights for national firearms law

By Evan Canter,
community developments editor

One of the first groups concerned with hand gun control, the Civic Disarmament Committee for Hand Gun Control, based on the South Side of Chicago, wants and needs the help and support of U-Highers.

The group, started four years ago with the assistance of members of the University of Chicago Law Schools and several legislators, was the first citizen action group of its kind in the country, according to Lower School Teacher Camilla Fano, who is vice president of the group. Now it operates under the umbrella of the National Council to Control Hand Guns, a lobby based in Washington, D. C.

"We feel a national control should be passed to enable the 25,000 other state and local firearms laws to be enforced," Ms. Fano said. "Chicago has one of the strictest laws in the country, but it is useless unless all the laws are uniform. For example, a person in Chicago can go out of the city and buy a hand gun in any one of many suburbs with little difficulty."

Although a recent Harris poll showed that 73 per cent of Americans favor hand gun control, a relatively small group of people, such as the National Rifle Association, which has 2-3 million members, can swing a House or Senate vote. The National Rifle Association, which opposes gun control, can send to government officials from its members several hundred thousand letters if it feels it is necessary.

According to information distributed by the Civic Disarmament Committee for Hand Gun Control, from 1970-1972, for every American killed in combat in Viet Nam, two Americans were killed here. In 1973 some 19,500 people were killed by firearms in this country. Of

these people, 79.1 per cent were killed by hand guns. In the Chicago area, the murder rate in the suburbs, while still not as high as the city's, has increased twice as fast as the city's in the past few years.

In 1972 the Civic Disarmament Committee for Hand Gun Control sent out a questionnaire to 820 students in six Hyde Park-Kenwood area high schools. Of the students, 45.6 per cent said someone in their family owned a hand gun. In this subgroup, 60.3 per cent said the reason for owning a gun was to "have protection." In the opinion of 64.9 per cent of all the students, "guns are too dangerous to use unless you are an expert." To the question of owning a gun if it were legal, 41.7 per cent responded "yes" and 55.2 per cent "no" (the balance appeared ambivalent). The reasons of those who said they would want a gun if it were legal included home protection, self-defense and "you need a gun to be safe in Chicago."

According to figures gathered by the Committee, 65 per cent of all murders in the nation are the result of quarrels, involving someone getting very angry and, if a gun is at hand, firing it. Some 2,500 Americans die in firearms accidents each year, many of them because of hand guns. Forty per cent of those killed are children or teenagers.

According to figures provided by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council of New York City, while there were 627,000 Americans killed in all the American Wars over the approximately 200 years from the Revolution to 1968, at least 800,000 citizens have been killed by privately-owned guns in the 75 years since 1900. One out of every hundred deaths in the United States — including natural deaths — are caused by a gun, and 40 per cent of the victims are 19 years old or younger.

Ms. Fano hopes the U-Highers interested in attending lectures, writing letters and learning about hand control will contact her.

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versity authorities cite statistics, in typifying area as relatively safe

the way crime is in general, I think any kind of a decrease is significant."

He added, "These are reported crimes. Statistics alone are not a true barometer of any crime picture. Many are just crimes committed between friends. For instance, a wife shoots her husband. The husband refuses to sign a complaint, the crime is solved, and no arrest is made. This happens a lot with aggravated battery and burglary."

ONLY INACCURATE statistics, or no statistics, are available for some areas of crime, such as rape, drug

ABOUT YOUTH CRIME, the commander said, "There's as much in Hyde Park as anywhere else. I'd say about 60 per cent of juvenile crimes are committed by Hyde Park residents, and others live close by."

Both Commander McMahon and Mr. Bruckner hold the opinion that Hyde Park is a safe community. Commander McMahon based his opinion on statistics.

"The 21st district is the seventh safest district in the city as far as violent crimes and fifth safest in other crimes," he said. "Hyde Park is no

forces," Mr. Bruckner said, "even in rural communities. The University covers 165 acres, has 127 buildings, most open 24 hours a day. We have about 1,000 faculty, 8,000 students, 10,000 employees, which makes close to 20,000 people if you include the patients at the hospitals. All of these need protection.

"THE SECURITY FORCE," he continued, "acts as a patrol to protect the campus and the surrounding community. We patrol the entire Hyde Park area (from 47th to 61st

Both Mr. Bruckner and Commander McMahon feel the University brings a special nature to the Hyde Park area.

"Many parts of the University remain open 24 hours a day, and people are walking the streets all hours," Mr. Bruckner pointed out. "I think it would deter criminals simply because there's a risk of being seen."

COMMANDER McMahon added, "The nature of the people is special; they're a more intellectual type of people. There are foreigners and people from rural areas attending the University. Some of these people have never locked their doors, never taken their car keys with them, are unfamiliar with urban life."

Commander McMahon feels, however, that generally Hyde Park residents are conscious of keeping their community safe. "Hyde Park established Operation WhistleStop (in which residents seeing or hearing a crime blow whistles to get help and, hopefully, scare off the person committing the crime) which is so effective it is being adopted in other communities."

But, taking all of this into account, the Chicago police do not ignore Hyde Park. "The men of the 21st district are very visible," Mr. Bruckner said. "A friend of mine visited me from Atlanta and while we were walking around the campus, he commented, 'I've never seen so many policemen in my life.'"

Chicago, campus police work cooperatively

traffic and youth crime, Commander McMahon pointed out. Many crimes go unreported, he added.

"I guess they're right when they say most rapes go unreported," he commented, "but when they start estimating 40 or 50 per cent, I question this." He added, "They talk about informal surveys, 'word-of-mouth' surveys; these are not valid criteria to use when coming to a sound conclusion."

Concerning drug traffic, Commander McMahon said, "It's not as bad (in Hyde Park) as, say, north of 47th, but they're drugs out there." He added, "We have recently broken what we know was a big drug operation on the 5200 block of Harper. We arrested three people, recovered three guns and an estimated \$200,000 worth of narcotics."

doubt the safest area in the district."

He elaborated further. "Hyde Park does not have problems like vice, gambling or prostitution. Unlike other communities there are no massage parlors, or many taverns. Both draw undesirables into a community and taverns increase the likelihood of aggravated battery by people drinking to excess."

MR. BRUCKNER agreed. "Hyde Park is one of the safer areas of the city. 'Why,' he said, smiling, 'I'm used to taking long walks late at night; all that has happened was a slight hassle with some teenagers.'"

According to both men, perhaps the largest single factor contributing to the safety of Hyde Park is the University security force.

"Most University and college campuses have their own security

streets and Cottage Grove ave. to the lake). Many people associated with the University live in that area."

Many people are unclear about what jurisdiction the security force has in making arrests and enforcing laws.

"The security force patrolmen are trained as regular policemen and have the authority to make arrests, just like the Chicago police," Mr. Bruckner explained. "We have an agreement with the city that suspects arrested are held for the Chicago police."

COMMANDER McMahon acknowledged the worth of the University security force. "Were it not for their security force, we would easily need 50 to 100 more patrolmen."

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Swimmers kick off winter sports today

Varsity cagers face 'heck of an opener'

By Pete Guttman

"It should be a heck of an opener," said Varsity Basketball Coach Sandy Patlak, commenting on the Maroons' opener Friday with Illiana Christian in a nonleague match.

"We've won the last two years by 2 points each time," he explained.

Before the Maroons play their first league game with Lake Forest, Fri., Dec. 5, they head into a Thanksgiving tournament Wed., Nov. 26 and Fri.-Sat., Nov. 28-29 at St. Francis de Sales. The Maroons face two

Catholic schools, the host team and Mendel, and a public school, Washington.

"These are all strong teams, so we'll get a chance to play some good competition," Patlak said.

He feels, however, that his team's chances of winning the tournament are high.

"These boys are well-schooled in fundamentals. They've done a lot of work on their own," he explained. "Five of my best players played in a league this summer."

As for the team's chances in the Independent School League, all Patlak would say was "St. Michael's is the toughest, and Morgan Park is a sleeper."



Photo by David Cahnmann

DETERMINED TO LEAP as far into the water as possible, First Backstroke Jim Peyton lunges to a start during swim practice. Jim is one of 10 members of the U-High team who will represent the school at the Chicago State University Invitational today and tomorrow. Coach Larry McFarlane feels that Jim will prove a strength for the experienced team.

Swim team 'hungry' to compete

By Mark Hornung, Sports Editor

Varsity Swim Team Coach Larry McFarlane watched his team swim countless laps in the humid, stuffy, swimming pool area.

He knows that his swimmers will not be in top shape for the Chicago State University Invitational Swim Meet, today and tomorrow.

"It takes about a month of serious swimming before a swimmer can reach a consistently good level, so I have no great expectations in the meet," he said.

McFarlane, however, will be most interested in the performances of First Breaststroke Jef Fish and First Backstroke Jim Peyton, both of whom he feels have excellent chances of representing U-High at the state swim meet at season's end.

As McFarlane spoke, Sophomore Marcus Helman caught his attention while swimming his lengths.

"When school started Marcus ran two or three miles every day," McFarlane observed. "Now he comes in before his 8 a.m. class to swim lengths, and has yet to miss an after-school practice. I think his desire typifies the 'hungry' attitudes on our team to perform well."

ISL cites 6 booters

Varsity Soccer Cocaptains Jef Fish and Jim Williams were among six U-High soccermen named to the Independent School League's (ISL) all-star teams by coaches at a Nov. 4 meeting.

Halfbacks Jef and Jim placed on the first team along with Fullback Wayne Braxton and Forwards Andy Getz and Carlos Guevera. Fullback Sam Zellner was voted onto the second string team.

U-High coaches Sandy Patlak and Larry McFarlane expressed disappointment after the ISL coaches decided not to place Goalie Ken Newman on either squad. Not one ISL team scored against Ken during the season.

Frosh team close knit

By Steve Sonnenfeld

Team closeness, offensive and defensive balance and cooperation among players will provide the frosh-soph basketball team with its strongest assets, according to Coach Guy Arkin.

The squad opens its season against Illiana Friday, there, preceding the varsity match.

Newcomer Arkin, who coached 6th-, 7th-, and 8th-graders in LaCrosse, Wis., feels this year's team is as strong as any frosh-soph team he saw in that area.

"In Stu Mann, Eric Kubly, Mike Claffey, Ari Roth and Jim Schwartz we have a talent-filled line of guards, plus with Chuck Webb, Leo Lindo and Kevin Lewis, all of whom are over 6 feet, we should never be outrebounded by any team we'll play," he said.

Arkin describes the Maroons as a close team with determination and a deep desire to work, learn and improve.

First match Friday

Volleyball squad gears up

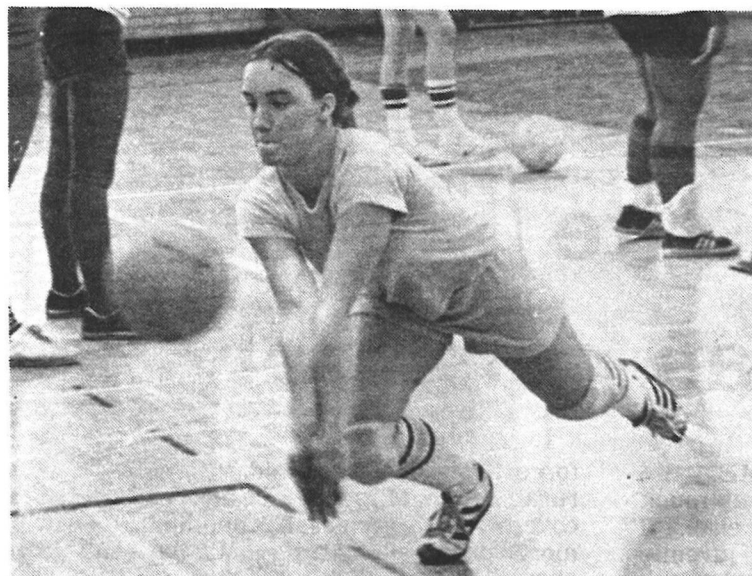


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WITHOUT LETTING the ball touch the ground, Varsity Volleyball Team Member Jenny Aliber digs for the sinking volleyball. A varsity volleyball starter the past two years, Jenny is one of three seniors on the team.

By Rachel Aliber

"Run until you hear the whistle blow, then lunge to the floor," shouts Varsity Volleyball Coach Pat Seghers at the first volleyball practice of the season, Nov. 3.

About 40 girls follow these directions as all compete to place among the 13 best who will play varsity (number subject to change). The remaining freshmen and sophomores are eligible to play frosh-soph.

AFTER PRACTICE, Ms. Seghers spoke about the varsity team. "I plan to have the team initiate the attack, play with power, and with deception," she said.

Too much individuality and not enough teamwork could possibly prove team weaknesses, according to Ms. Seghers.

But Jenny Aliber, one of four returning varsity starters, believes that lack of teamwork should not be a problem. "We have a core of people who work well together," she said.

FROSH-SOPH Coach Brenda Coffield said she has noted in tryouts several fast players who can rely on fundamental skills in aiding the frosh-soph squad.

Both teams will play their first games here Friday against Lake Forest-Ferry Hall.

Classes compete in flickerball

By Isabel Bradburn

Are flickerball matches the new craze around U-High these days?

Possibly. Two challenges pitting the sophomores against the juniors and the juniors against the seniors have ended in junior vic-

tories.

Sophomores and juniors plan a rematch.

First played in phys ed classes last fall, flickerball represents a cross between football and basketball. It is an outdoor sport but has no particular season.

The sophomore-junior game ended in a 1-point overtime victory. The juniors, however, demolished the seniors 7-0.

Junior Player Brad Parsons attributed the demolition to the juniors' "full gym program" of the sport. The seniors had never played the game before."

about playing varsity" and she answered, "It wasn't THAT big of a thing to be nervous about."

Mark also apologizes for an error on the Nov. 4 sports page. The Midway reported that John Baca had played as a varsity soccer goalie in one game prior to Morton West; actually, he had played in two.

Setting it straight...

Sports Editor Mark Hornung wishes to apologize for two errors on the Oct. 7 sports page.

Under a photo of the new scoreboard in Sunny Gym, he reported that U-High parent Willeen Williams raised \$1,450 for the board at the request of Varsity Basketball Coach Sandy Patlak. What really happened is that after last year's basketball marathon failed to produce all the necessary funds for a board, Ms. Williams came up with the idea while attending the Athletic Awards banquet in June of soliciting \$100 contributions from U-High parents. She collected \$1,000 in pledges at the dinner, then later got \$700 more from parents of U-Highers, U-High alumni and Middle Schoolers.

In a story on sophomores playing on varsity teams Tennis Player Michelle Collins was quoted as saying, "Competing on the team is no big thing." Michelle points out that she was asked if she was "real nervous

Coming Contests

BOYS' BASKETBALL
Illiana Christian, 6:30 p.m., Fri., Nov. 21, there.
Thanksgiving tournament, at St. Francis de Sales, Wed., Nov. 26 and Fri.-Sat., Nov. 28 and 29, time to be announced.
Lake Forest, 4 p.m., Mon., Dec. 5, here.

VOLLEYBALL
Lake Forest-Ferry Hall, 4 p.m., Fri., Nov. 21, here.
Francis Parker, 4 p.m., Tues., Nov. 25, here.
North Shore, 4 p.m., Tues., Dec. 2, there.

Lake Forest-Ferry Hall, 4 p.m., Fri., Dec. 5, there.
SWIMMING
Chicago State Invitational at Chicago State University, 4 p.m., today and tomorrow.
Mt. Carmel, 4 p.m., Tues., Dec. 2, here.
Lake Forest, 4 p.m., Fri., Dec. 5, here.
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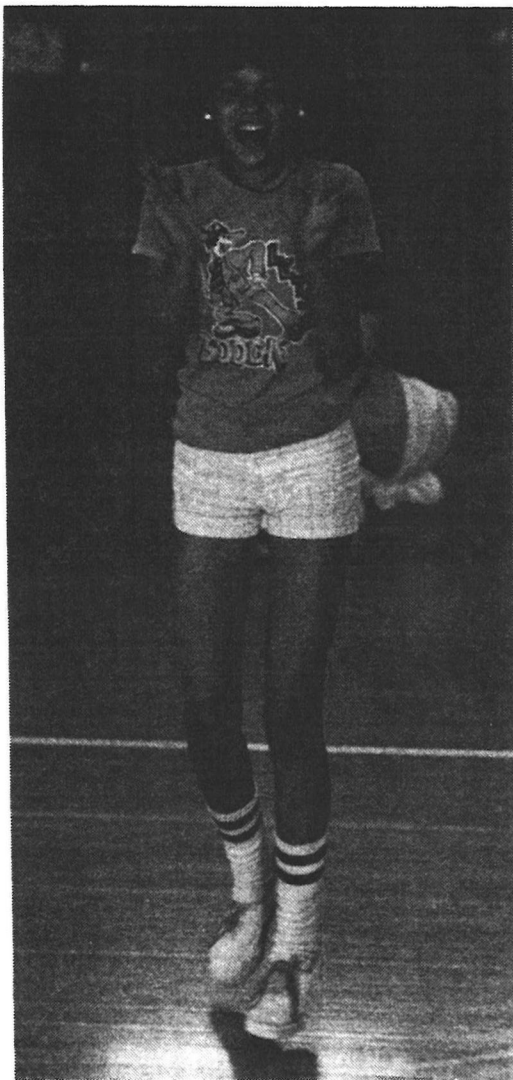
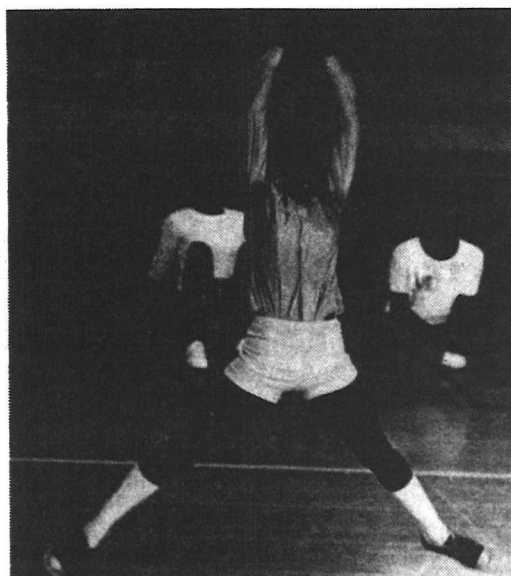
By Maria Gomer

Cheerleading promotes and encourages school spirit and unity, members of the recently-chosen varsity and frosh-soph cheerleading squads believe. "When you're out there cheering, you can really get the crowd enthused," explained Varsity Co-captain Doris Williams, (Pat Scott is the other cocaptain).

Several other varsity cheerers feel that although U-High basketball fans are enthusiastic, sometimes at slow-paced games they lose interest in the contest. That's when the spirit needs pepping up the most, they say.

This year 25 girls showed up at the try out Oct. 2. A board of five faculty judges selected six freshmen for the frosh soph squad, and eight girls for the varsity squad, six of whom were from last year's squad.

Adviser Yvette Matuszak says she is pleased with how hard the girls are working and the fact that they are "always working on new cheers."



"HAVE WE GOT the spirit? Yeah, man," screams Varsity Cheerleader Pat Scott at the Oct. 2 cheerleading tryouts. Along with Cocaptain Doris Williams, Pat is one of six returning cheerers.

ALSO AT that tryout, Frosh-Soph Cheerleader Edwidge Raoul descends closer to the gym floor as she prepares to do a split.

Photos by Paul Sagan

Phys ed classes and injuries

By Mark Hornung,
sports editor

Just how dangerous are phys ed classes?

Twenty injuries suffered during phys ed classes have been reported to School Nurse Camille Daniels so far this year. According to Ms. Daniels, she calls the parents of seriously injured students brought to her. Although she can apply first aid, such as ice packs and splints, to the injured student, she cannot give the student medication.

If the parents cannot be reached, she said, the student must have an authorization slip in order to be taken by a security guard for treatment at Billings Hospital. The slip was mailed to parents before the school year began.

Only a fractured finger suffered during flickerball class by Jeff Sachs required treatment at Billings Hospital this year. Other reported injuries have been limited to cuts, bruises and jammed fingers, Ms. Daniels said.

Not all serious injuries, however, are reported to the nurse. During football class this year, Evan Canter sprained his neck towards the end of the period. But because he knew the nurse could not give him medicine, he called his parents to take him to the hospital, instead. Evan, however, did not know that Phys Ed Department procedure requires a teacher to send an injured student to Ms. Daniels' office.

Phys Ed Department Chairperson Thomas Tourlas feels the department takes all precautionary steps possible to avoid student injury. Yet during football class last year, after tripping over the sandpit, Loren Taylor severely twisted his knee as he slammed into the blacktop in Jackman Field.

Mr. Tourlas is not concerned about football and flickerball being too rough even though almost all the injuries this quarter occurred in those classes. "Many times accidents occur when it is impossible to fault anyone," he said.

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INSIDE SUNNY

Equality law requires few adjustments here

By Paul Sagan
sports page columnist

A new law which requires high school phys ed classes to be taught coeducationally, for boys and girls, within three years, won't have much affect on U-Highers.

The law, effective July 21, 1975, exempts classes in contact sports, and those dealing exclusively with human sexuality, none of which are offered here.

AT THE BEGINNING of this year, the Phys Ed Department offered eight of 14 noncontact sports coeducationally.

And now, by telling their phys ed teacher, boys can be placed on a waiting list for four other activities originally offered to girls only. Boys' requests to take the classes prompted the department to change its original policy not allowing them to take the classes.

Weight training and field hockey are the only non-contact sports presently not offered coed at U-High.

"WEIGHT TRAINING isn't offered to girls," Phys Ed Department Chairperson Thomas Tourlas said, "because in the past when it was offered coed parents of girls in the class complained we were 'putting muscles on their daughters in the wrong places' so we discontinued the class coeducationally."

Mr. Tourlas said that such a large percentage of phys ed

classes are offered coeducationally at U-High because it gives everyone an equal opportunity to take courses and because many boys and girls have expressed an interest in taking classes together.

Mr. Tourlas also said that the department will have to look at the non-coed structure

of the program and evaluate it, and probably make changes in it to comply with the new law.

Because the department reacted originally to the needs and requests of U-Highers, the new law will require few adjustments by students and phys ed teachers.

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A school in need of more black teachers

By Loren Taylor,
opinion page columnist

Two years ago, U-High had seven black faculty members out of a faculty of 65. This year that number has dropped to four black faculty members.

With black enrollment at U-High estimated at about one third why are there so few black faculty?

Foreign Language Department Chairperson Gregor Heggen explained why there are no blacks in his department. "The reason," he said, "is simply that blacks haven't applied."

English Department Chairperson Darlene McCampbell gave similar reasoning. "We haven't been doing

much hiring at all," she said, "but I don't remember any black applicants." Although she could not think of any particular reason why blacks did not apply, she added, "Two black teachers I talked with feel they are needed more to teach at ghetto schools."



Loren Taylor

But once they get here, black faculty members usually don't stay long. For example, of five social studies teachers who left U-High in

the past five years, all but one was black.

Social Studies Department Chairperson Joel Sural explained that "all the black teachers were hired parttime; they found a fulltime world out there. Most went to better paying jobs."

Math Teacher Del McDonald, one of U-High's few black teachers, said, "It's kind of hard to pinpoint, but there's an undercurrent of discrimination. There's no problem with students, and I have a good relationship with my colleagues, but people have a preference to whom they socialize with. There's an uneasiness, like you feel being downtown because you don't know everybody."

There are a sufficient number of black students at U-High to make more black teachers necessary. Black students need black teachers:

- To instill positive images, people to look up to and identify with, a better image than just that of the custodian.

- To come in contact with more than just a white point of view.

The school should make a special effort to inform black teachers of positions open here. Already the school notifies black colleges and universities; it should extend its effort to all organizations involved with black teachers, and make special note of the urgent need for more black teachers.

MIDWAY MAILBOX

More on library losses

From Fran Fadell,
librarian

The Midway article and editorial comment on library book loss Oct. 7 seem to be irresponsible. Interviews with librarians are not interpreted accurately and not once is it acknowledged that the library keeps an accurate book count. The editors did not check up on the reporter to verify such misinformation that the librarians are not doing their job. Isn't it strange that such an excellent library should so flagrantly be at fault in an essential component of library service? Far from clarifying the accusations by investigating further, the editors compounded the issue by writing a carbon copy of the reporter's "facts" plus adding a reprimand.

The librarians gave as much cooperation as possible by taking time for interviews and counting books as recorded on the shelflist. We explained the logic behind the way the library is set up and explored possible solutions to the problem. I personally spent time on a Sunday evening talking to Paul Sagan and later counting the record of missing books to get him

started on accurate figures for his article. I chose the 800s because I did the inventory for those books in 1971 and again in 1975.

What is the reasoning behind distorting information to portray us as unconcerned and not up-to-date on how many books are available to students? Should not the point of responsible reporting be to encourage STUDENTS to respect each other's rights to library materials? Our do-it-yourself process is based on the intelligence of students and their convenience. I feel that no expensive alarm system can replace the mutual trust on which we base our system.

Editor's note: After the Midway received this letter, Paul Sagan, who wrote the library story and — on behalf of the editorial board — editorial, checked back with Ms. Fadell and found that, in fact, an exact book count is not kept by librarians.

Ms. Fadell said a shelflist is kept from which an exact count could be made if the list were totalled, however, no total has been made.

Paul says that as far as he knows all the information in his story was correct except for information the librarians themselves inadvertently did not give him; see news story page 2.

Freshmen dispute column

From Grace Fooden,
freshman:

I am very disappointed in your article "Former freshie views new crop" (Loren Taylor's column in the Nov. 4 Midway). From the time my mother was a freshman and still today freshmen have been looked down upon and thought of as young.

But tradition isn't always right, and tradition can be changed. Loren says in his second paragraph that the freshmen this year look younger than usual. All I have to say about that is, WHAT ARE WE SUPPOSED TO DO, SIT IN SWIMMING POOLS ALL DAY SO WE CAN LOOK OVER 60 AND PLEASE LOREN TAYLOR?

Give us a break. It isn't our fault we look the way we do. I thumbed through a few past yearbooks after reading the Midway and found other freshmen look no different than us.

As for the bit about freshmen girls looking more mature than the freshmen boys (I am a girl), Loren being a boy would of course be more attracted to the girls of our class and not the boys.

So what's wrong with being a freshman? We get a better chance of getting As and Bs, while the kids in other grades have to stick with the Cs, Ds and Fs you got in past years.

I don't want to give the impression that freshies are

better than anyone else, but we're not worse either. We're all in the same boat; each class has its benefits and problems.

...as 'piece of trash'

From David Rothblatt,
freshman:

I am writing in reference to the article "Former Freshie views new crop." As a member of the freshman "crop," I feel that the article may be taken lightly. It was only an obvious attempt to intimidate the freshman class and its shows a clear case of "freshie paranoia."

If it was meant to be a joke, "ha ha," however, if he is serious about us being young, then he is being totally ignorant because this year's freshmen have the same age range as last year's freshmen, the freshmen of two years ago, and any future freshmen.

I think that Loren displayed his narrowmindedness well in this article. I know you will print this unedited because it is a common point of view by this year's freshman. We all feel the same way about this article which was an outrageous piece of trash.

Editor's note: The Midway received other correspondence on Loren's column but could not print it because it was unsigned

P.S. I thought your joke (cartoon) was in very bad taste and all freshies aren't that short. I'm 5 feet, 8 inches.

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THE MIDWAY'S OPINION

Welcome to
our Sanskrit class



Art by Jan Svejksky

"I'D FEEL BETTER EVALUATING HER IF I KNEW SANSKRIT...AND SHE WASN'T MY MOTHER."

Fair evaluations require expertise

Though the personnel policy which Faculty Association and administrative negotiators have tentatively agreed to as part of a new contract will provide more protection for teachers in their first three years than does the present contract, it would not provide them with a fair evaluation system.

Under the new contract, teachers being evaluated for senior teacher status, which grants a three-year rolling contract, would be evaluated by their department heads, the principal and the director of the Lab Schools. The director would then make a final decision regarding their status.

Would these evaluations be fair, however, if the administrators had no expertise in the subject the teacher taught?

Principal Geoff Jones feels that administrators have a "decent knowledge" of the school's courses and can observe the degree of a teacher's success with students.

Yet Social Studies Teacher Earl Bell, one of the faculty negotiators, believes that evaluation should be a dual process involving both a faculty member in the subject area and administrator visiting a class at the same time to get a complete picture. "Administrators should be especially careful in subjects in which they have no expertise," he said.

The fairest method of evaluation would fall somewhere in-between just faculty and just administrators. Teachers experienced in a subject should be invited from other schools to team with the principal and director in assessing teachers' abilities. Coming from another school, a teacher would not present arguments for or against a teacher being evaluated as friend or enemy, but would instead make objective suggestions with no personal or professional ties at stake.

If this system were undertaken by the school, evaluations would not only present teachers with fairer evaluations but would provide administrators with greater insight to the teachers' abilities.

PHOTOPIINIONS

Book losses inevitable?



Daniel Cohen



Thomas Brauer



Jenny Aliber



Michael Northcott

By Greg Simmons,
public opinion editor

Nothing can be done about book losses in the library, even if the library's procedures were changed to control them, U-Highers questioned by the Midway believe.

"To enforce rules about checking out books would completely alter the atmosphere of the library," Daniel Cohen said. "I think the problem lies with the students, not with the library itself."

Thomas Brauer felt that, "Even if the library did have a better system, that would not prevent students from walking in and taking a book off the shelf."

Jenny Aliber said, "I don't think anything can be done about it, short of having a system like Regenstien's (the University library, where students' bags are searched as they leave). It's not worth the hassle of having a different system."

Michael Northcott felt that "the library should take stricter measures in their cataloging of books. The library should appeal to the students to return any books acquired without checking them out."