The verdict's in... U-Highers say teachers okay

By Cathy Crawford

U-Highers generally feel their teachers are doing a satisfactory job of teaching, according to recently compiled responses from the student evaluation of teachers last year.

The evaluation, conducted last spring, was planned and organized by the Student Evaluation of Teachers committee of the Student Legislative Coordinating Council. Questions dealt with teaching, class curriculum and the quality of education at U-High. Students and teachers filled out the same multiple-choice questionnaire on each class.

ONLY TEACHERS saw the results for their classes, under an agreement the committee made with Principal Geoff Jones that teacher results would be kept confidential.

The results, completed earlier this month, were categorized. They showed the percentage of students responding to each question, the average response, and the average response of students according to the grade they expected to receive in the class. In a subsection, responses were organized into ten aspects of teaching.

In response to the questions on the evaluation form, 39 per cent of the U-Highers polled agreed that course content was, in general, interesting and challenging. Fifty-four per cent said teachers were almost always prepared. Thirty-eight per cent felt that they had learned as much as possible in their classes.

In TERMS of education, 36 per cent of the U-Highers polled agreed that U-High is one of the finest high schools in the nation. Forty-seven per cent felt that the quality of education here has stayed the same, while 31 per cent said it had improved. A small percentage of the students thought it had gotten worse.

"The public report to students is useless except for student responses to questions dealing with whether or not the quality of education is increasing or decreasing," she explained. "Any sign of poor teaching can't be detected because it averages out," she added.

"Grads urge emphasis on writing"

By Deb Azrael, community developments editor

Both students and teachers need to place more emphasis on writing skills to better prepare U-Highers for college. This is the opinion expressed by many respondents to a questionnaire mailed in May by the Guidance Department to members of the classes of 1974, '75 and '76 attending college. Fifty-five people have responded.

Written by College Counselor Betty Schneider, the questionnaire serves two major purposes. It is sent to inquirers from students with specific information about colleges. Ms. Schneider explained, "as well as to give us feedback as to whether we are not satisfied with our placement." The Guidance Department has no plans to compile the results of the questionnaire or to make any recommendations to students or faculty based on the results.

Impairing on the questionnaire ranged from whether more aid in career planning should be given U-High to the quality of dormitory life at college.

Regarding academic preparation at U-High, one graduate wrote, "I have found that much of what I learned in high school is close to worthless." But she didn't specify what she found worthless or why.

Another replied, "I suspect that students would learn more by rewriting papers while at U-High as opposed to, say, writing twice as many papers."

According to the graduates, information about colleges provided by counselors here and catalogs is insufficient. They suggested that facts about the variety of activities and class structures at a given college were needed.

A question of behavior

Student irresponsibility of worrying concern here

By Jonathan Silverman

A group of students stand laughing and clapping, watching the newest intramural sport throwing apples against the cafeteria walls.

A series of Midway interviews, prompted by reporter observation, indicates that messiness, noise and vandalism are an increasing concern of some students and faculty members. Not everyone, however, feels the problem is increasing.

Students often see people dropping papers, using offensive language and eating in the halls. It's an incredible problem," said Intramural Activities Director Donald Japes. "It's not getting any better. It's getting worse."

Graduates also responded to the question of whether to take a year off between high school and college for travel, foreign study or a break from school.

One wrote, "The best thing you can do is take a year off. No one should go to college without knowing why."

But another advised concerning taking a year off, "Don't!"

The Guidance Department will continue to send the questionnaires to college freshmen at the end of spring quarter each year, according to Ms. Schneider.

The returned questionnaires are available to both students and teachers who wish to see them. They are kept in Ms. Schneider's office in the Guidance Department.

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And there's seven more pages!

By Paul Later

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FOR THE FIRST TIME in recent years, U-High teams went beyond district and sectional competition. Representing the cross country team, Jacob Cohn, left; Peter Louis and Dirk Vandervoort display the district trophy won by the Maroons Oct. 29. In field hockey Captains Anne de Melogue and Ellen Markovitz show the sectional trophy they won Nov. 4. See stories pages 4-5.
Crackdown on cutters should include teachers

A proposed crackdown on class cutters is being approved by a faculty committee, disciplining students who fail to attend class and come late repeatedly.

The plan, designed to reduce cuts and tardiness, involves letters to parents, principal conferences, and student-parent conferences and suspensions. It is being considered from a class to the quarter of a class. Measures vary with the seriousness of the transgression.

Attendance for students is imperative, according to Principal Geoff Jones, because at U-High, with such a small class instruction time other than attendance.

He cites the fact that classes here meet four days a week instead of five. That in high is open 171 days a year as compared to 184 days in public schools.

If it’s so important for students to be in class, then it’s just as important for teachers to be there. And some teachers aren’t. They tell their students class is canceled if they’re too free to do what they want.

No one knows how many teachers do this, or how often, but it happens often enough that it’s not a major deal. Maybe it should be.

Teachers questioned by the Midway call such a canceled class as if they have personal matters they have. They say they make up for the last but they do not always know what students do during the canceled class time. Maybe a committee should be formed to deal with teachers who skip class.

(Incidentally, at the faculty’s fall meeting, on Jan. 20, only 20 of 50 teachers showed up.)

Says who?

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**BSA, U-HIGH: GONIN THROUGH CHANGES TOGETHER**

Organization's goals change as relations between blacks and whites change in school

By Geoff Schimberg

No one was really sure there would be a Black Students Association (BSA) at U-High this year.

Guidance Counselor Jewel Wilson, who almost definitely had saved the organization from extinction the year before, had resigned just before school opened. Without her, it was unclear just who, if anyone, would be interested or willing to keep the club going.

But Junior Tracy Lewis, who last year served on BSA's steering committee, said other black students to discuss possibilities for the organization.

They decided that BSA should continue, but with different goals than in the past.

**BSA WAS FORMED IN 1969.**

Black students felt they had no identity of their own in a school that left them without black teachers, without an Afro American History course and without black-oriented activities geared to their interests.

Among BSA's projects through the years were Black Week, theatrical productions, soul food dinners, publication of a literary magazine, and raising funds for needy students.

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Cagers drop opener; team, coach hopeful
By Mark Homung
Stacy U-High parents and students sat anxiously in the west stands at St. Francis De Sales High School Saturday. A referee was about to toss up the opening tip of the varsity Maroons’ basketball season. The frosh-soph squad already had played, and lost, 61-41.

From the start, the taller team from the Catholic League assumed control of the boards. The Pioneers employed a patterned offense designed to get the ball to either 6 foot, 7 inch Center Reginald Butler or 6 foot, 4 inch Forward Steve King.

THE MAROONS, however, ran a fast break offense whenever Center Chuck Webb pulled seven servers had rebound and could pass it quickly to Guard Eric Kuby.

With Kuby and Butler getting numerous offensive rebounds themselves, the U-Highers had little chance of getting their running game going and dropped the game 67-49.

After the game Coach Sandy Piatlak lauded Frosh-sophs Eric Kuby and Chuck Webb. The two had scored about two-thirds of the teams points and Chuck led all rebounders.

MAROON FORWARDS Leo Linton, Kevin Lewis and Derrick Ford ran into trouble trying to rebound and scored against Pioneer opposition.

But Piatlak feels he will get more output from forwards in games to come.

"In practice, our first string doesn’t get challenged by our reserves, so forwards

Runners finish ‘great season’
By David Rothblatt
"The official time is 9:45." The man’s voice drowned out the public address.

Devils give hockey Maroons the blues at quarterfinals
By David Hyman
Looking out the window of the varsity field hockey bus as it heads away from Lake Forest High School, a player begins to hum a soft Beatles song. Others join in with hopes of cheering up sad teammates. The Devils have just lost 5-1 to the Farmer City Blue Devils in state quarterfinals Nov. 11.

After a scoreless first half, the Devils had scored the winning goal with 10 minutes remaining in the game. "After they scored and the fans went crazy, our morale was lost" reflected Defender Julia Lawrence, who had scored the winning goal with 10 minutes remaining in the game. "After they scored and the fans went crazy, our morale was lost" reflected Defender Julia Yang. The U-Highers tell their opponents they have opportunities to score, but didn’t. "Both teams were equally skilled," observed Forward Emily Crotin. When the final whistle blew, about 250 Farmer City fans cheered and screamed.

IN SPITE OF the results, Varsity Field Hockey Coach Patricia Seghers walked onto the field and congratulated her defeated players. "You played an excellent game, ladies, just great," she told them. Still of some of the players were in tears. While players gathered their equipment and warm-up suits, U-High’s seven fans rushed to console them. On the bus, talk shifted to what the team had done to reach the quarterfinals.

The Maroons began their quest for state system at Detweiler Park in Peoria. It was Saturday morning, Nov. 12, and the Class A state cross country finals were about to be run. "The race will begin in 15 minutes," he added.

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Volleyballers to head north for 4th game

By John Mullan

After winning their three opening games of the varsity season, the girls' volleyball team will resume play Fri., Nov. 29 with a rematch against Francis Parker, there.

The girls opened their season with a sensational 26-1, 27-17 home victory over North Shore, Nov. 15. At Academy of Our Lady, Nov. 16, they won 30-4, 29-15 and against Francis Parker Nov. 18, here, they won 30-5, 30-12.

After their rematch with the Colonels, the Maroons' schedule is as follows:

Districts, Wed., Nov. 30; Lake Forest, Fri., Dec. 1, and Lakeview, Sat., Dec. 2; North Shore, Tues., Dec. 5; Lakeview, Thurs., Dec. 7, and Morgan Park, Sat., Dec. 15, 16; and boys' varsity and junior varsity.

The team overcame several problems in scoring its opening victory. Coach Patricia Seghers and half the starting lineup were occupied with a state field hockey tournament and, as a result, were only present at one practice.

The team's strength, many players feel, lies in its experience and unity.

"Half our starters have played together for four years," pointed out Ellen Markowitz, "and the whole starting lineup has played together on frosh-soph. We're very close."

The frosh-soph squad, also coached by Ms. Seghers, has played two matches so far, losing to Academy of Our Lady 15-11, 15-7, Nov. 16 and beating Parker 5-0, 15-14, Nov. 18.

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Photos by Charles Newcomb

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**U-High's favorite dog**

Roaming Hyde Park with the outgoing Daisy

By Henry Green

Daisy the dog runs down the stairs from the second floor apartment of her owner in a building on 57th Street near Dorchester.

A small white and brown mixed English setter and border collie, Daisy is five years old. Trotting along quickly, wagging her tail, Daisy heads down Dorchester to 58th St. to U-High. It's 12:40 p.m. Daisy loves chasing and catching squirrels and cats, according to her owner, Ms. Constance White.

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SLCC President Anne Williams-Kahn explained to the Midway that Principal Geoff Jones told her that SLCC could not fund ice hockey because it is dangerous and the school is liable for students participating in activities which it funds.

Jones voted at a meeting Oct. 31 to put the $200 intended for ice hockey into the SLCC contingency fund.

Mr. Jones told the Midway ice hockey had never received funding from the school.

But, according to Mr. Louis Coln, who coached the former A-Byte Hockey team, it received Student Activities funding from 1970 to 1972. Mr. Coln is the father of Brian, '77, who played with the club as a Middle Schooler, and Allen, a senior.

"AFTER DISCUSSION with the principal it was agreed that if parents signed forms releasing the school from all liability then we would receive funding," Mr. Coln said.

There was no negotiation this time, however. "I wasn't even aware our funds were cut until a friend told me," Kristen Kirsten, copresident of the proposed club, said.

Other SLCC business has included selecting students to serve on the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Fund committee and discussion about restating a student lounge.

"THE LOUNGE would be in the Snack Bar area, but only if it had a stereo system or something to make it more than just a place to sit," Anne explained.

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Warehouse Hounds.

Smyth's, "the highbrow store for the working dog," says it's 30% off for her, too. Why not have a "doggie lunch" for a change?

Daisy loves attention, that's why she comes around the school," Lise said.

Daisy pauses U-High and goes toward 60th and Woodlawn, where she sees a squirrel on the ground by a tree and begins chasing it.

DAISY LOVES chasing and catching squirrels and cats, according to her owner, Ms. Constance White, mother of Cathy.

Ms. White got Daisy when the family lived in Colorado. "When she was a puppy, we kept her in the backyard but she kept squeezing out under the fence," Ms. White added.

Daisy came to Chicago when the family moved back here two years ago.

Heading toward the unsuspecting squirrel, Daisy runs by a lady who thinks Daisy is actually running toward her. The lady smiles as Daisy goes by.

A CAR zooms down 58th Street as Daisy begins to cross it. She jumps to the sidewalk to avoid getting hit. Then she heads back again for the squirrel.

Seeing her, the squirrel races up the tree. Daisy stands on her hind legs and barks at the squirrel. She lost out this time, but later a U-Higher finds blood on Daisy's paws and around her mouth. Evidently, she had succeeded in catching another squirrel.

"Daisy has always been friendly and social," Ms. White said. "That's the way she is."

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SLCC nixes Hockey Club

By James Marks, political editor

Faculty trying to restart an Ice Hockey Club will not receive Student Activity funding, according to a decision of the Student Legislative Coordinating Council (SLCC).

SLCC President Anne Williams-Kahn explained to the Midway that Principal Geoff Jones told her that SLCC could not fund ice hockey because it is dangerous and the school is liable for students participating in activities which it funds.

SLCC VOTED at a meeting Oct. 31 to put the $200 intended for ice hockey into the SLCC contingency fund.

Mr. Jones told the Midway ice hockey had never received funding from the school.

But, according to Mr. Louis Coln, who coached the former A-Byte Hockey team, it received Student Activities funding from 1970 to 1972. Mr. Coln is the father of Brian, '77, who played with the club as a Middle Schooler, and Allen, a senior.

"AFTER DISCUSSION with the principal it was agreed that if parents signed forms releasing the school from all liability then we would receive funding," Mr. Coln said.

There was no negotiation this time, however. "I wasn't even aware our funds were cut until a friend told me," Kristen Kirsten, copresident of the proposed club, said.

Other SLCC business has included selecting students to serve on the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Fund committee and discussion about restating a student lounge.

"THE LOUNGE would be in the Snack Bar area, but only if it had a stereo system or something to make it more than just a place to sit," Anne explained.

If there were music it would be operated from behind the Snack Bar to protect the equipment from damage, Anne said.

In still other business, SLCC has decided to form a committee to put into writing budget procedures for Student Activities Fund allocations (also see letter page 2).

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By Mary Johnston

A tipped wine glass outlined in multicolored stained glass window marks the location of the North Side nightclub called Barbarossa. To get to the club, customers must walk through the lobby of the Dearborn North Hotel, 1117 N. Dearborn St., to a black door. Up a short flight of stairs, a small balcony with tables and chairs overlooks a stage decorated with Christmas lights and tinsel. More tables and chairs fill the small room below. Directly under the balcony a bartender serves drinks. About 35 people sit in the small, dimly-lit room.

Tonight Lucy Kaplansky and three friends sit in the audience. They are among many musicians taking part in an "Open Mike Night." Each soloist or group sings four songs to an audience mostly including other musicians, friends and musical contractors. For Lucy and her friends, it will be the first performance as a group before an audience.

A young woman announces from the stage, "We will now hear from a quartet, 'Steps in Flight.'" With guitar in hand, Lucy and her friends walk up a few stairs and sit on the small stage, which is distinguished by a small multicolored window set in its center. Hesitantly glancing at the audience, they sing their first song. Lucy администраи strums her guitar and gently nods her head as she sings, joining in the melody.

After the group finishes the song applause fills the room. Lucy begins the next song with a wide grin toward the audience. Her fingers move quickly, her body relaxes as she moves with the beat. The audience rises and yells "encore!" after a fourth song. With confident smiles the musicians sing a fifth. The audience sings and claps with them. As Lucy walks off the stage she says with a sigh, "I am so happy. It's like a dream come true."

Lucy began serious performing in 8th grade, when she took up guitar. "It wasn't until then that I began to share music with people," she said. "I started to play wherever I went - summer camp, parties and even New York City subways." Her formal performances here have included 8th grade graduation and Arts Week. "I often sing Joni Mitchell's songs at my performances because her poetic-like lyrics and voice make a song that a woman can identify with," Lucy noted.

"When the group got together, I started to practice two hours, three days a week with them," she said. She met Elliot Simon, songwriter, singer and guitarist, through a University Friend. "The bass player, Neil Bader, is an old friend of my brother. Neil got his friend, Patty Noville, to sing with us."

Back in the audience after their performance, with musicians surrounding and congratulating them, "Steps in Flight" listens to a contractor talk about the possibility of concerts. "I had no idea we would go over so well," Lucy says. "I want to get back on stage."

French students can now earn college credit

By John Schloerb

French students will now be eligible to earn college credits. French teachers have decided to use advanced placement (A.P.) courses offered by the College Entrance Examination Board to replace some third and fourth year French classes.

In June of their senior year, the students will take a College Entrance Examination Board Test to determine if they will receive first-year college credit, according to Mr. Randy Fowler, who teaches one of the courses. Ms. Claire Lacocque teaches the other.

A.P. courses differ from most French classes, according to Mr. Fowler. "Instead of reading for vocabulary and grammar," he explained, "advanced placement courses stress the literary value of the material being read, much like an English course."

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Teachers have homework, too

By Amy Shales

It is 4:30 a.m. and most U-Highers are sleeping. But English Teacher Sophie Ravin is awake. Though she worked till 11:30 the night before and has had only five hours of sleep, she must switch on the light and read the pages still yellowed in her hands. She has to correct 140 pages. Nine teachers of English, social studies, foreign language and science interviewed by the Midway estimated they spend anywhere from eight to 16 hours a week on the preparation and grading for each of their five classes. The teachers said they often have to organize their lives around school work.

SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER Philip Montag rises at 5:30 a.m. to complete as much as possible before school begins. "I arrange it this way," he said, "so that at night I can be free for my family." The time necessary for grading can be tremendous, the teachers point out. "I insist counting the hours and the minutes of it or I get too depressed," said English Teacher Darlene McCampbell. She said she needs total privacy to correct papers and is "totally oblivious" if interrupted. After collecting a set of papers she retires at 3 p.m. to "a secret hiding place in the U-High complex whose location I'll never divulge." She remains there as long as 11 hours straight, or until the papers are corrected.

In addition to grading, Ms. McCampbell must also prepare for her classes. She pointed out that the job of preparation is not limited to the school year. "It's a continuous process," she said. One summer she read a Shakespeare play each day to ready herself for a fall course.

According to John Mullan and Gretchen Antelman (right photo) disc-jockeyed for the approximately 250 U-Highers and ghosts who attended the party.

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WED., NOV. 30 - Volleyball, Francis Parker, 4:15 p.m., at Lathrop South
FRI., DEC. 2 - Basketball, Lake Forest Academy, 4 p.m., here; Volleyball, Lake Forest, 4 p.m., here
SAT. DEC. 3 - Basketball, Quincy North, 6 p.m., here
MON., DEC. 5 - Volleyball, Lake Forest, 4 p.m., here
TUES., DEC. 6 - Basketball, Harvard, 4 p.m., here; Basketball, Stevens, 4 p.m., here; Basketball, Lake Forest, 4 p.m., here
FRI., DEC. 9 - Basketball, Lake Forest, 4 p.m., here; Volleyball, Lake Forest, 4 p.m., here
SAT., DEC. 10 - Basketball, Illinois Christian, 6:30 p.m., here; Volleyball, Morgan Park Academy, 8 p.m., here
TUES., DEC. 13 - Basketball, Glenwood, 4 p.m., here; Volleyball, Morgan Park, 4 p.m., here; Midway after school

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By Liz Takeuchi

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