U-High

A matter of Style

By Mimi Ghez

ULLING ON HER denim miniskirt over bright pink tights and a splashy yellow T-shirt, a U-Higher checks her appearance in the mirror. Completing the outfit with a bulgy beaded necklace, she's ready for school.

Flourescent and energetic clothing styles are partly replacing the traditional caps and T-shirts of school. More and more students are dressing strikingly, influenced by New Wave fashion.

M. TONY MEDINA, fashion designer display Bottega Gladen, a New York fashion house, outlined New Wave's development for the Midway. "Originally this fashion began in London's punk rock scene in the early 1970s. This punk rock scene came to America and was rejected as too violent. Without political cause, it softened, toned down and became known as New Wave."

NUMEROUS U-HIGHTERS say their dress still is affected by music. "I get some ideas for dressing up from bands," said junior Paul Crayton, decked out in dark, layered pants, suede shoes, and a Richards High School letter jacket. "And if I think they're wearing something that would look good on me, I'll wear it, too."

Several U-Highers have also extended the new fashion to include daring haircuts. Some are wearing mohawks, a haircut that originated in the '70s. "I got my haircut because I wanted attention from people," explained junior Cameron Hekmatpanah, whose hair is cut short on the sides.

Freshman Katherine Culpert, attired in a vivid pink-and-green jump suit, used dressing up for similar reasons. "I like to play around with clothes, and it's fun to be shocking. A lot of people stare at my flourescent things."

DRESSING BRIGHT blue jeans, with blue earrings and a dog collar, junior Tiffany McLean, new here from Armstrong High School in Minneapolis, said she wants to be noticed, too. "At my other school, there was the only New Wave person there. Everyone was preppy and used to stare at me. I'm not as different at U-High, but I want people to sit up and say wow."

Other U-Highters say they dress up simply for themselves. "I dress to express myself," explained sophomore Yolande Small. "Dressed in bright colors striking student dress..."

agreeing, junior Nadya Walsh, wearing a miniskirt accented by one bracelet and necklaces, added, "Dressing provides me with an outside security and confidence. It gives me freedom to do what I want with clothes and have fun."

FRESHMAN MARIE LEVSTYI, who lived in Paris for two years, said she has fun with clothes, too. "People in Paris care more about their looks," she explained, "and these looks have come to America. I got my style from them. I have fun wearing a David Bowie T-shirt with zippered pants and an odd jacket with the lapels turned up."

Senior Andrea Ghez feels that influence by students has altered many U-Highters' dressing habits. "The school's attitude toward dressing has changed," Andrea commented. "A year ago, guys never dressed up and few girls did. You never dressed up to fit in. You dressed up to look different. I remember I was the first person at U-High to wear baggy pants. People called me a clown for two years and then wore them themselves. Dressing up isn't as unusual now."

THOUGH THE WELL-DRESSED look has become commonplace now, U-Highters still try to achieve individuality through their clothing. "I buy a lot of my clothes at secondhand stores in Hyde Park," said freshman Silvia Kazaka, sporting a plaid miniskirt and bright tights. "It's a lot cheaper and there are never two identical pieces of clothing. People can't copy you exactly."

Although the new dressing styles are often unconventional, most U-Highters say their parents approve.

"My parents are proud that I dress and have some color coordination," Silvia said. "But when they think something is too outra­geous, they say I look like a femme fatale."

Some of the resentment towards dressing up does seem to linger, however, students felt. "I get some good reactions to my dressing," Andrea said, "but also some I-like-it-but-I'd-never-do-its.

Students said teachers, as well, express some negative opinions of the fashion. "The other day I was wearing a safety pin in my ear and one of my teachers told me to take it out because it was a dis­traction," said senior Robin Lindheimer. "She told me that only the types of guys wear earrings: punks, gang members and gay guys. Then she asked me, 'Which one are you?' I took it off, but I felt bad that she wasn't respecting my rights."

As dating becomes more common at U-High, it's natural to ask the question... Why?

about it, several offered their interpretations of the scene.

ATTRIBUTING THE NEW generation of couples to a change in mentality, senior Robin Lindheimer explained, "People seem to be less uptight about this sort of thing now. I remember my brother's grade (class of 1980), people didn't even dance at parties, really. Now, they seem more re­laxed about it all."

Though U-Highters such as senior Illya Kovarik agreed that more people are dating this year, especially underclassmen, those U-High hangups that approach clothes are still around. "This is a small school," he said. "If two people start a relation­ship, others start pondering, they extra­people."

There is, however, more mixing between the grades this year, felt junior Paul Crayton. "Upperclassmen this year don't seem so elitist. Before, if there weren't couples in the same grade, there weren't couples at all. Now that grades mix more, there's more of a chance for couples to form."

Dating does boil down to a trend, Paul felt. He explained, "People in the school follow the domino theory in that when they see couples are socially acceptable, consciously or unconsciously, they begin to think of having a boyfriend or girlfriend for themselves."
**Fashionable affair**  
Donning punk, dressy, athletic and business style outfits, 20 boys and girls will model at a fashion show sponsored by the Black Students' Association, tentatively scheduled for 3 p.m., Sun., May 1 at International House. Fashions by seven contemporary designers will be provided by Chicago area clothing shops. According to senior Tanya Griffin, the show, which will run until 6 p.m., will feature six scenes, each portraying one style of clothing. Parents of BSA members will provide a buffet dinner to follow the show. Tickets, available from BSA members, cost $7 for students, $12 for adults. Profits will go to the Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Fund.

**Winner's circle**  
Sunny Gym will become just that during the annual awards assembly, tentatively scheduled for 1:45 p.m., Fri., May 6. Highlighting the assembly, principal Geoff Jones will present the U-High Service Award and Principal's Citation for outstanding contributions to the school community. Journalist teacher Wayne Bresler will serve as master of ceremonies (For bidders already announced, see page 3.)

**Festival's on**  
Yesterday was the last day to submit proposals for sponsoring a booth at the May Festival to the courtyard committee of Lower School. The courtyard committee will review all proposals and make the final decision. Any group running a booth will receive 60% of the profits, with 20% going to the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Fund.

**Renaissance returns**  
— Representing the contributions of 60 U-Highers, Renaissance, U-High's literary and art magazine, is scheduled to be published the first week in May. Like last year, the magazine will span 127 pages and include stories from 46 stories and 3 poems submitted. About 35 pieces of art were also accepted. The magazine, also like last year, will be distributed free. It will feature grants from the Adventures in the Arts committee of the Parents' Association, student government and administrators.

**Early exit**  
— Five seniors who graduated at the end of last quarter will travel, work and study for the remainder of the year. Susan Evans and Philippe Weiss plan to travel to Israel later this quarter. David Siegel and Erika Voss are working, and Ben Krug plans to do an in-depth study of music. A new Page Senior Ben Page was named spring quarter editor-in-chief of the Midway at a journalism dinner at winter quarter editor Philippe Weiss' home March 11. Ben is the first person to start the year as a begin­ning reporter on the Midway and end as editor-in-chief. Associate editors, by pages are as follows: News, Ted Grossman; feature, Chad Newberry; and opinion, Juli Stein; sports, Crystal Cohen.

**Say what?**  
— Incommensurability will be the topic of the third of a series of lectures by three math professors from St. John's Colleges at Annapolis and Santa Fe 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. tomorrow. The talks, previously held April 6 and 13, extend postulates taken from Euclid's geometry and numbers to different sets of irrational numbers. A preselected group of 20 students will attend. That having been reported (please remember you read it here first), here is the calendar, as commenorative and rational as one could hope for:

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A greeting card from Bob's, on the other hand, costs something and its message may not be that kind. Which certainly hasn't stopped people from wading through our collection of 3,000 assorted cards, buying them and sending them to friends. Of foes. Some people feel our greeting card collection is our best feature.

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**Honors**

**ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIPS**

- Senior Rocky Ahimaz and Judith Jackson are grant winners in the National Achievement Scholarship program of the Harvard/New York Stock students. Rocky, whose name was missing from the list of finalists in the last Midway because the paper was given incorrect information, received a one-year, $1,900 scholarship sponsored by the Achievement program. Judith, who was a four-year $600 grand sponsor by PepsiCo Corporation.

- Rocky also placed among the top three students in Illinois to a state contest sponsored by the National Science Foundation March 17 at Loyola University. He performed an experiment on photoelasticity and presented his findings orally to a board of judges. Rocky goes on to be national contest May 4 at West Point, N.Y.

**GERMAN CONTEST WINNERS**

- Five top scorers among 1,200-Highers who scored in the 8th percentile or higher in the annual American Association of Teachers of German national examination Jan. 15 will be honored at a reception Sun., May 1 by the Scholarship Heimel Award Fund. Each will receive a book and a scholarship. The book is a volume written by Professor Malvin, a leading expert in the field. The awards are as follows:
  - Ms. Karen John, social studies: First Place Award of $1,000.
  - Ms. Karen Nelson, social studies: Second Place Award of $750.

**SCOLARSHIPS**

- Senior Sarah Roberts has received national photography honors in the annual Scholars program sponsored by Scholastic Inc. publishers. This national visual arts program, designed to encourage creative expression among high school students, in more than 50 years old. Judged first on a regional level, winning entries receive Achievement Keys. Judges then select from Key winners to place in a national competition as Gold Key finalists. From those, national winners are selected.

As a national winner, Sarah will have her work exhibited in New York City in September. Then it will become part of an exhibit prepared by Eastern Illinois University and published in a national magazine.

**JOURNALISM CONTEST WINNERS**

The Midway and U-Highlights staffs have received several state and national honors.

- Tom Goodman's article "Could school improve fire preparedness?" in the March 16, 1982 Midway has been named Best News Story for 1982 in the Illinois high school press by the Illinois Women's Press Association. Tom will be honored at a luncheon and his story goes to national competition with other state winners.

- Midway staff members Jennifer Reploge and Susan Evans have received awards in an annual national contest sponsored by Quill and Scroll, a journalism honor society.

- Phillips's story on survivalism in the Dec. 14, 1982, issue was one of 111 state winners among 15 entries in the Investigative News Features division of the Northern Illinois School Press Association. Jennifer Reploge's story "Child abuse: the danger of the passage of time" has been named Best Feature Story in the March 16, 1982 Midway. Susan's ad for Short Stop Co-op in the Jan. 25 issue was among 12 winners from 169 entries in the advertising division. Susan also was for all ten years ago.

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Making improved govt even stronger

Despite predictions by many U-Highers that this year's student government would continue a lackluster tradition, it has laid the groundwork for an effective student organization.

When student elected officers of an aptly time to examine how well government has done this year.

By Miriam

The Striking accomplishment has been the increased activities, programs and lectures made available to U-Highers. For example, Student Council sponsored a CPR day which gave many U-Highers their opportunity to learn vital lifesaving skills. It followed that up with a blood donor day and, for fun, sponsored a computer dating service.

Government officers scheduled extra meetings open to U-Highers interested in voicing their opinions. They also, unlike past years, provided and distributed funds to other student groups efficiently.

They implemented a government exchange program with other Chicago area schools to give officers insight into the operation of other student governments.

On Balance, student government officers this year have made a concerted effort to improve the quality of school life, a primary task of any school government.

Still, despite these accomplishments, they have only taken the first step towards developing a government which not only promotes community service projects but also provides a voice in planning school policy on a variety of fronts.

So, with this need and the upcoming elections in mind, candidates for student government office should begin thinking about the issues which still remain.

These include:

• Giving students some voice in the disciplinary process through the presently-suspended Disciplinary Board or some other plan.

• Working with the principal to strengthen the new student government constitution written at the end of last year; he feels it needs to include a disciplinary role for students, to provide for more communication with the student body, and to strengthen government's role as a student representative generally.

• The failure, once again, of student government to achieve any impact on school policy-making.

Student government has shown it can organize service projects and fun events efficiently, and allocate activities funds responsibly. But important and pressing problems remain.

Also see "Open Mouths" this page.

Life or death issue

President Ronald Reagan's recent announcement of a new plan for a high-tech defense system for the U.S. and the school's Nuclear Awareness Week earlier this month, highlight the ever-present issue of nuclear war.

For almost 30 years, people have lived with the threat of instant annihilation at any moment. This is the most grave and pressing issue of our day. Its solution, however, does not rest in slick weapons and shadowy promises of future invulnerability. The danger of war and destruction can only be reduced with the cooperation of men sincerely desiring peace in both the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. Negotiations, not new inventions and billions of dollars for defense, represent our best chance for peace.

In addition, the actions of individuals can make a difference. Student activism has dwindled in recent years. Ten years ago, U-Highers protested strongly against the Vietnam War and staged antiwar rallies at school. Now, however, those students who organized Nuclear Week are exceptions. Most U-Highers, while they have views on the nuclear question, are not motivated to act.

Nuclear warfare is an issue that this generation must face; it is our lives that are at stake.

Race issue will continue in city, some here predict

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Washington fans watch history in making

I'm not conceding," Epton says.

10,000 cheering backers swell hall

Washington elected 1st black mayor of Chicago

by Dave Frantz

by Liz Inglehart, arts columnist

Film illuminates triple 'Betrayal'

A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN, apparently happily married, enters an affair with her husband's best friend. Only this time, it's not on "All My Children." This seconded forces the plot of "Betrayal," a new film now playing at the downtown Fine Arts Theater.

Far surpassing soap operas in its believability, "Betrayal" captivates the audience without resorting to tricks of plot surprises, violence, or explicit sex.

POPULAR PLAYWRIGHT Harold Pinter adapted the screenplay for "Betrayal," a story of adultery, from his play of the same name. Pinter's meticulously crafted plot, along with David Jones' sensitive directing and the talents of three fine British actors, make this quiet film touching and poignantly witty.

The most striking aspect of the movie is that it moves chronologically backward. The audience first sees relationships between the main characters as they exist now, then sees unfolded the structure of their relations, back to their early contact.

Near the movie's beginning, Emma (Patricia Hodge) meets with Jerry (Jeremy Irons), her husband Robert's best friend, with whom she formerly had a seven-year affair. In the midst of Jerry's reminiscences, he casually reveals his terrible knowledge. As the film progresses, the viewer realizes that all three characters have been dishonest with each other. Betrayal exists on all sides.

Believable acting by Hodge, Irons and especially Kingsley make all this sordidness seem as familiar as if it were happening to one's neighbors. Kingsley's performance is especially impressive in that he successfully creates a remarkably different character from the last he played, the title role in "Gandhi."

"Betrayal" will not reassure the viewer about the integrity of human relationships. But as a presentation of the three characters' views about the politics of love, sex and fidelity, it's a highly successful film.
**Big time**

Track squads facing larger, tougher foes

Facing larger and more competitive teams during the outdoor season, boys' and girls' track teams hope to continue their indoor success — 10-1 boys, 5-4 girls — and improve on last year’s records of 2-13 boys and 0-13 girls.

The boys run their first outdoor meet today, against Providence New Lenox, 4 p.m., there.

"INDOOR WE RAN smaller meets," said boys’ track coach Nancy Johnson, "and a lot of the teams started practicing later and will now be catching up to us. But, whereas last year we placed toward the bottom in most of the invitationals, this year we'll be right up there."

The Maroons' strongest events, she said, come in the mile and 880-yard relays — boasting top times of 3:38 and 1:38 respectively — and the distance events. "We are still weak in the field events," Ms. Johnson commented. "Though we have picked up a new shot and discus thrower, Eric Lauerman."

FORESEEING ONLY one sure win this season, girls’ track coach Ron Drouzd remains optimistic about the district meet.

"Because they add five more events for the outdoor season, and because there are now 14 events and we have only 17 girls," he explained, "our size will prevent us from beating the larger teams. I do feel, though, that we have a 50-50 chance of being district champs."

Strong events, in Mr. Drouzd’s judgment, include the relays and all the distance events between the 220-yard sprint and the mile. He cited middle distance runner Lisa Homan as among the most talented runners on the squad.

Despite the loss of some strong runners, most team members are less optimistic about the season. "In general, I feel good about the team, and I believe most people are putting out their best efforts," said middle distance runner Andrew Ghez. "Although we lost some very good runners such as Renata Arado, I feel the team is very motivated."

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**Tennismen face heavy road lineup**

With two meets down and 17 to go, boys’ tennis team members, who play Francis Parker today, feel optimistic about their mostly on-the-road season.

Varsity so far stands 8-0.

ALTHOUGH we lost some valuable players from last year, such as Tim Wilkins and Rocky Ahimaz, "we have some very strong freshmen and very strong varsity players such as Ben Shapiro and Errol Rubenstein. I’m sure we’ll win districts."

A contest at tough Marian Catholic May 16 will top a rigorous lineup of 13 away meets out of 19 total. The small number of home meets, many players feel, could hurt the Maroons.

"THE FACT we have so few home meets will be a disadvantage," explained varsity player Errol Rubenstein, "because our home courts are in such terrible shape."

"We are used to playing against them while our opponents aren’t."

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**Hitting boosts baseball**

Lack of strong fielders may hamper the success of the boys’ baseball team this season, but coach John Wilson is confident about the team’s hitting skills.

"We have won one and tied one of their five games so far, the Maroons today go up against the Francis Parker Colonels, "about even with our team," in Mr. Wilson’s judgment."

Upcoming highly competitive opponents include Quigley South April 12, Maroons won, 4-0.

Mr. Wilson explained.

"Our fielding isn't as good across the lineup as it has been in past years," Mr. Wilson said, "but we have a lot of younger players this year and many are potentially very good players."

A large number of players, 38, may also dampen the team’s chances for success.

"When you have that many kids who vary in the amount of skills they have, it's hard to expect everyone to play up to their potential," coach John Wilson.

All stories on this page written by Anne Knepfer, sports editor.

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**Delicate balance**

JUMPING AND Tumbling Across Sunny Gym, 44 Lower, Middle and High School students from 4th through 12th grades performed on the balance beam today during their physical fitness test.

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Girls get into soccer
...and face established opponents optimistically

By Deborah Dowell

"Knock 'em down!" Girls' soccer coach Larry McFarlane encourages players. A boy falls on the muddy grass and girls substitute on the sidelines let out a whooping cheer.

On a cloudy, chilly afternoon behind Sunny Gym, the new girls' soccer team is scrimmaging against the Under 14 Division of the Hyde Park Soccer Club.

"TWO PLAYERS on the team, sophomores Michelle Dupont and Miriam Lane, played on the boys' frosh-soph soccer team last year and earlier this year. Miriam and Michelle started a petition during fall quarter for a girls' soccer team.

"The coaches already see a lot of positive potential for the future. "The competition is very rough and very competitive," Ms. Kerr said, "but you only get better if you play better teams, and the girls have a potential to win."

PLAYERS ALSO HIGHLIGHTED the team's potential for the future.

"I want to see the girls' soccer team survive," said sophomore Vandana Sharma. "By the time the freshmen are seniors, this team will be good."

The coaches already see a lot of positive signs for the team. "The girls are aggressive, energetic, eager to learn and hard workers," Mr. McFarlane said. "They're making good, steady progress."
The scene, all too vivid, came in rapid succession. A child sitting with his entire upper body burned so badly that it resembled one great festering sore. A man, all of his hair gone, displaying his rotting right arm for the newsmen. The remnants of a city which, besides some gutted buildings, lacked even a moderately-sized boulder. Bodies laying in the bleached sun, unattended, and so it went until finally, accompanied by a sound from the audience, the film came to an end.

Entitled "Prophecy," this documentary on the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki by the U.S. was one of the several films and activities which made up Nuclear Awareness Week, April 4-8. According to its organizers — juniors Rachel Allman, Beth Delombre and Nort Oka, — the program was intended to familiarize U-Highers with the dangers of the nuclear arms race and any possible nuclear conflict.


THE DEBATE. April 6, pitied two men who have debated each other previously: Dr. Paul Johnson, British and American history professor at Roosevelt University, and Mr. Cleland, director of Nomor, a group committed to a nuclear freeze.

It centered around one of the more controversial issues of late, the viability of a bilateral freeze, a halt on the production of nuclear weapons by both the U.S. and U.S.S.R.

As the debate went on, Dr. Johnson, arguing against the freeze, appeared to gain in a following in the audience. His jovial manner and relaxed delivery contrasted sharply with the reserved, concise manner of Mr. Cleland.

COMMENTED. George Hung. "They both seemed to know what they were talking about, but Mr. Johnson was more convincing. I thought Mr. Cleland was a bit naive."

About 40 students took part earlier in the week in the war game "Firebreaks." Distributed by the anti-nuclear weapons organization Ground Zero, the game, according to Beth, is being played nationwide this month.

Participants, after dividing into Russian and American groups, received sheets and graphs detailing resources and options available to their country's leaders in a given crisis situation. After a few serious moments, the two sides commenced exchanging insults like "Conservative pigs" and "American fat boy with heated conviction.

THROUGHOUT THE GAME, which lasted about an hour and a half, there were numerous outbursts such as "I can't believe you troopers! I wish I was stupid!" and, "What can we gain by blowing up Nicaragua, dummy."

Looking back on the week as a whole, organizers were pleased with the effects of the event. "We got what we wanted," Beth remarked. "It was really rewarding when I walked down the hallways and heard people discussing nuclear issues on their own.

By Judith Jackson

"It's not a bad idea, but it's not worthwhile to pump money into a program where the technology doesn't really exist yet," declared senior Roxana Bradescu. "We have other greater social and military priorities."

Her opinion was typical of U-Highers' response to President Ronald Reagan's new proposal for defense against nuclear weapons.

In an address to the nation March 25, the President called on Americans to develop a futuristic space-based antiballistic missile system. This system would act as an umbrella to protect the U.S. from enemy missile attacks and would utilize lasers, particle beams and mirrors. In effect, it would be a deceptive weapon to alarm enemy missiles, not people.

Junior Frank Schneider feels the whole plan is "ridiculous. We don't have the technology available, so until we do, let's just think about what we can do with what we've already got."

Similarly, senior Michael Bolden believes more pressing issues should be dealt with first. "We are facing lots of other problems in this country," Michael explained. "Reagan should be worrying about the skyrocketing unemployment, not lasers in the sky. This is just further insensitivity on the part of the President toward lowerclass Americans."

But not all U-Highers see Reagan's proposal as simply "Star Wars" talk, as labeled in the media.

Roxana points out that "during the speech Reagan announced an important nuclear weapons freeze. Many political groups had been pushing for this to happen and when it did they forgot about it and instead criticized him."

And senior Ted Sickels feels the proposed system is feasible. "If the whole nation got behind it and contributed, the system would happen," Ted said. "This pain has some of the same possibilities as the reprocessed space program. A lot of new technology would be created that's all beneficial and much of the spinoff from that technology would be really helpful, too."

By Tom Goldstein

Some sprawled across the seats of the darkened auditorium, while others spread to their walkways. In the back, others stood in the aisle and sang along with music from the screen. The choir, members of the U-High Chamber Choir, were on their way to a concert tour, April 6-10 at Minnesota.

The tour, organized by choir director Richard Walsh, consisted of seven performances in five high schools and a church. The group left Chicago Wednesday around 11 a.m. and spent nine hours riding on a chartered bus.

AFTER STOPPING for dinner, the U-Highers finally arrived at South High School in Minneapolis around 9 p.m. Then, in twos and threes, they went home with South High students who had agreed to host them for the night. Some of the U-Highers were exhausted from the bus ride and went right to sleep, but others stayed up and chatted and exchanged addresses with their hosts.

Choir members performed at South, Blake and Minneapolis North high schools the following day, and at Hopkins-Lindberg and Breck high schools Friday. They returned to Breck to participate in a music festival on Saturday night.

The choir concluded its tour with a Sunday morning performance at a service at the Mt. Olive Lutheran Church.

WENT PERFORMING, choir members spent much of their time at a Howard Johnson Motel, where they swam in the indoor pool and watched television in the rooms. The U-Highers, whose schedule was divided into days and nights, stayed up to two hours past curfew. Sometimes, choir members got slightly out of hand Friday night when Mr. Walsh was pushed into the pool as a practical joke by a couple of choir members. He fractured a finger and had to be taken to the hospital.

That same night the fire alarms went off accidentally and the U-Highers were forced to march out into the cold night wet from the pool.

MEMBERS GENERALLY felt pleased with their performances, especially the Friday and Saturday concerts at Breck High School. Their first few performances were shaky because a lot of people had never performed before," said junior Antonio Cibils. "But as the tour continued, we became more confident and more relaxed."

Freshman Sam Perlman added, "The concerts at Breck were the highlights of the trip. The acoustics were good," Even though he was injured, Mr. Walsh was. "From the performances, especially Friday night, we could improve with more school support. "It's too bad that our students couldn't have as good an experience as the reprocessed students at these other schools."

"MANY CHOIR MEMBERS felt they experienced the tour a sense of school spirit lacking at home. "When we performed well, we all felt so good about each other there was no animosity among us," Antonio said. "There is so little of that in school that when it does happen, it feels so special."

Even though he was injured, Mr. Walsh was able to direct the choir the last two days of the trip. "It was the best weekend I've ever had," he said. "I had the best seat in the house." And "I was able to perform for us as a whole." Mr. Walsh said that the trip was a success for his students. "They showed me that he is really a great teacher and more importantly, a teacher who does not try to separate himself from his students."