Nine receive new award for outstanding citizenship

illinois will be the seventh state with a student press rights law if Gov. Jim Edgar signs a bill that was passed 76-0 by the State Senate late May 15. The bill also will become law if the Governor chooses not to act on it. His third option is to veto it.

It April the House of Representatives had approved the bill 196-0. It had been introduced by Mary Lou Cowlesham (R) and Barbara Purwin Curtis (D), as House Bill (HB) 154, the Illinois Student Publications Act.

The measure gives student editors in public high schools responsibility for deciding the content of school newspapers and faculty advisers responsibility for insuring high standards of research, reporting, writing and editing.

Under the measure, administrators may not review or restrain publications before they are printed. Libel, invasion of privacy and speech harmful to minors remain not permitted, as defined by established state law.

Educators in the state have been pushing for such a measure since the United States Supreme Court ruled in 1969 in the case Hazelwood v. Kuhlmeier that administrators could censor student publications. The goal was to prevent content that administrators at Naperville Central High tried to squash a story on alleged administrative travel over condolences.

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Press bill going to governor

Mayor Richard Siegel, Associate Editor

window washing, cafeteria and classroom catering and filtering documents for teachers and administrators, about 75 U-

"We felt that we should give the kids a shot to do the right thing first without getting them in trouble at home," Mr. Gunty said. "If they didn't sign up, then we would get their parents involved."

As it turned out, U-Haulers did sign up, in droves.

"Before the new procedure I got about two students in my office to clear cuts a week," Mr. Gunty continued. "Now it's an average of three every period. It got a lot of people's attention, although there were still about 30 students who didn't respond to their notices. Next year we might threaten to withhold grades every quarter or we might do weekly checkups."
Readers praise Renaissance

Fresh. Original. Student-oriented. Those are among readers’ descriptions of the black, white and rich aqua-covered Renaissance magazine distributed last week.

The 46-page plus-cover edition offers 21 written pieces by 18 students and 15 pieces of art, each by a different student. A 18-track C.D. presents student music and narratives. A color postcard worn harmlessly tops off the package. Half the copies include a postcard with a painted by Senior Nicky Perky and the other a pastry by Junior Danielle Romer. Readers praised the fresh, inviting look of the magazine, enhanced by generous use of white space and elegant placement of photography and art among the text.

They also praised the literature as feeling authentic, rather than teenagers trying to write as adults.

“Seemed to be a trend among the work this year of personal experience, whether fictional or real,” pointed out Sophomore Alix Blanding.

“I think it’s really nice to display many different perspectives.”

Of the art and photography, Sophomore Leigh Goldstein, a senior editor, said, “It was impressive. The quality especially of the Beginning Photography class surprised us with its maturity.

Other editors in-chief are as follows:

ART AND PRODUCTION—Sophomore Clara Mierau.
LITERATURES—Seniors Collette Farrant and Marley Moskowi.
Music production, Senior Andre Shabab and Sophomore Irmine Krass.

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No vacation yet for yearbook

Celebrating U-Higher’s “do-it-no-matter-what-it-takes-and-do-it-our-own-way” spirit, the 1997 U-Highlights will emphasize large photos—16 pages of them in full color, a sports section reported entirely in quotes and feature stories on standout U-Highers from all class levels. The 136-page volume is expected to be distributed at the start of school; seniors will receive letters about getting their copies in the mail. Editors expect to complete the book early in July, which means 10-hours-a-day, six-days-a-week for the staff until the last page is done.

“We want to relate the fun times in school as well as the serious,” said Sophomore Lizzy Haydemann, co-editor-in-chief with Seniors Pranarth Katta and Lauren Schwartz, of plans for the book. “We’re aiming for a bright and lively story of the year.”

Briefly

Idea-gathering starts for weekly assemblies

SOLICITING IDEOLOGY—Goldstein, 36 pixels of blood, Student Council completed one of its two final projects, a Blood Drive, May 27. The drive was headed by Junior Kurt Scott, secretary. Seventy-six people initially signed up to donate, 48 attempted and 36 were judged physically eligible.

The Council was also planning for the last Monday of an end-of-year celebration including a four-square tournament ice cream eating contest and tug-of-war during lunch period in Sequoia Mall. Winning grades would get a pizza party next year.

FOND FAREWELLS: A breakfast last Friday in Brown Courtyard honored the school’s medical services coordinator of five years, Ms. Peter. Pages in the upcoming book are being collected to send to flood-devastated Gracquirrel, N.D., her home.

Retiring Librarian Win Poole and Dean of Students Jewell Thomas leaving to become director of neighboring Harvard School, were honored a reception Monday in the Japanese Garden. Sunny Gym Matsen, Jean Kinshle, long a student favorite, is also retiring.

Cartoonist places first in nation

Placing first in the cartooning division of the annual high school journalism recognition program sponsored by the National Federation of Press Women, Senior Patrick Silver will be honored at the Federation’s national communications conference June 21 in St. Paul, Minn. After placing first in Illinois, Patrick was honored for his Midway strip, “The Stale Life.”

Comming Up

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HAPPY THIS year’s edition of Renaissance is out and getting rave reviews from readers, Art and Production Editors Leigh Goldstein. Elisia Blackstone, left, and Alice Blander have completed nine months of labor on the publication. Both also are Midway staff members.

Mexico turns out as close as Iowa

Playing a joke on the Midway, Senior Jeremy Kingston told the reporter compiling the annual college list for the May 11 issue he was attending the University of Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa. Actually he is headed for the University of Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa. “I don’t really know why I did it,” Jeremy said. “I thought it was a funny joke and so did other people, so I decided to take it a step further.”

Last-Day Midway

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As the presses roll

SPECIAL TOUR of the Sun-Times led by Vice President Mark Hornung highlights field trip by Midway staff members which also included an afternoon at the Museum of Broadcasting. The only U-Higher to have served at both locations in his time at Midway, Mark Hornung, in his junior year, Mr. Hornung is a ‘78 graduate. At the Sun-Times he is in charge of circulation and related areas of management.

Mailbox: Empowerment Committee efforts merit respect

From Mark Hoffman, senior: I WAS DISAPPOINTED with my peers’ reaction at last month’s Midway regarding this past year’s Student Empowerment Committee.

Collectively, your attack and your criticism is indicative of a new, uncontrolled, unhindered, unfiltered and uncontrolled people. That kind of new, uncontrolled, unadulterated inactivity is likely to be incomprehensible and inadmissible. I submit you, Mr. Hoffman, that it would be like to take this opportunity to clarify some of the earlier points that were misrepresented by your reports.

The First Clarification: I’d like to make a few points about the origin of SEC. Originally called The Student Honor Court, the committee was formed by student subcommittees of the Student Senate’s Administra-
tions Committee, a group comprised of parents, teachers, administrators and students, designed to make all four constituencies aware of issues that concern U-High.

SEC was formed, as one of your editorial points it, by “a group of powerful individuals,” but rather than an established democratic institution within the school whose meetings have been publicized in every issue of the Sun, this fact was conveyed explicitly to Midway reporters on numerous occasions. Still, there is no indication of any discussion or debate in last month’s Midway.

What you fail to recognize, however, is that SEC is not, and has never been, a “vilegal government.” We are, in fact, neither vigilantes, nor do we have any governing intentions, making the title of your first editorial a misnomer that is true.

The brick of irresponsible reporting and commentary.

SEC has never claimed to be anything more than a body that seeks to express student concerns or complaints. It stands without question that Student Council can better address and resolve the ultimate decision about which of our suggestions would be the most effective, and in what form.

Furthermore, it was made abundantly clear to reporters that SEC would support Student Council, whatever their decision might be. Our intention has always been to promote Student Council as an institution whose influence should be felt in all administrative decisions. SEC NEVER Sought to “Demand” anything of anyone.

An article on Ron Olen’s column, Kent spear talks to any of the “powerful intellectuals” that refer to his districting plan’s “And the oldsters...” article. In response to a note on the section board, something along the lines of “what right do you have to usurp the office of SEC?” I invite Kent to talk to Ron in an English Communications and or SEC meeting to discuss the case and to hear our side. Kent attended no meeting. Perhaps if he had spent more time reading our goals and talking to us, and less time mocking Student Council, he might have a different perspective on the situation. At least he would have been able to base his opinions on something more than his own personal information.

The point is that the student body and everyone for that matter, understands that SEC can implement anything a responsibility we understand to be in the College’s alone, nor do we have any intention of doing so.

Mark

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TOMORROW, I’LL WALK DOWN an aisle and, assuming I graduate, which I am quickly learning is a big assumption, I’ll receive a frilly piece of paper which will allow me to go out in the world and be unemployable due to authority. I receive this diploma in recognition of study, of math, science, physical education and other subjects no one really cares about.

But I’m not sure what it all means really. According to the authority on these issues (Laboratory Schools public relations materials), by graduation you should have learned three things.

You, John, believe that students’ schoolwork should represent an expression of experiences in the outside world not limited by the four walls of a classroom.

You, David, believe that a faculty meeting last month, much discussion surrounded the issue of field trips, including one proposal each course be limited to one a year.

Lucy, for us all (I’ll call you all, I’m not going to be here next year), faculty members sidetracked that idea, letting the train of thought continue, chugging down its merry track.

But what a tragedy it would be if the train accidentally veered off course. It wouldn’t make much sense, maybe a conductor who had a little too much booze or unruly passengers who staged a mutiny.

Yes, such is the uncertain future of the laboratory Schools.

Although this past certainly has a tendency to be romanticized and overdramatized (this column being no exception), gone are the days at U-High where students used to strip naked and gel into the big vats of water to the sound of the gong. Students who once went from U-High I have endured through John Dewey’s dream learning for life.

The THE OTHER day while I was walking through the hallway, a woman leading a group of prospective U-High parents around the school made a comment that nearly threw me into convulsions.

“The Laboratory Schools, are really better than ever,” she boasted. “We had seven students accepted early at Harvard, you know.”

So on my last day as a U-Higher, I’m leaving you (and me) with this thought: The Laboratory Schools indeed might be better than Parker and Latin. But it’s hardly “better than ever.”

Editors note: The Midway did interview Hyde Park Council officers and representatives about the Student Empowerment Committee in stories but often they could offer little if any evidence of what they could offer or what is in the middle. The Midway did report the origins of the house code movement with the Cerroba Committee, which has recently provided a sounding board for various community discussions in the school community but generally involved the entire student body.

The entire issue by the paper’s editorial board was increased to discuss. The Midway editor, in the paper’s editorial board was increased to discuss. The Midway editor, in the paper’s editorial board was increased to discuss. The Midway editor, in the paper’s editorial board was increased to discuss. The Midway editor, in the paper’s editorial board was increased to discuss. The Midway editor, in the paper’s editorial board was increased to discuss. The Midway editor, in the paper’s editorial board was increased to discuss. The Midway editor, in the paper’s editorial board was increased to discuss. The Midway editor, in the paper’s editorial board was increased to discuss. The Midway editor, in the paper’s editorial board was increased to discuss.
Despite near freezing temperatures and even a bit of snow, the May Festival still drew crowds eager to munch, enjoy music, play games and watch a play. Among new features at the Rites, May 13-15, a popular Student Council game booth offered live (at least for the moment) goldfish as a prize. As usual, bratwursts, samosas, hamburgers and hot dogs drew big business at club food booths. Huddled in blankets, audiences stuck with the Rites play “Alice in Wonderland,” despite the arctic conditions, their breath clearly showing in the air as they laughed at the antics on stage.

At the International Festival Saturday afternoon, cuisine from various nations—including Ostritch—was served exotic food was served at the “Global Cafe” on the first floor of Sunny Gym as booths, demonstrations and games upstairs and in Kenwood Mall celebrated the cultures of nine countries. A real live Ostritch positioned outside Sunny Gym and blissfully unaware of the menu in the Global Cafe drew a friendly crowd.

GOTT A KNOW WHEN TO FOLD THEM

“WHY, YOU’RE NOTHING but a pack of cards!” exclaims Alice (Vanessa Carr) in disgust during her dream voyage to Wonderland in the Rites of May play. Taking the fall, from left, are Flora Diaz, Camille Varlet, Omnol Nolley, Chris Rummel, Lonnie Hubbard, Noah Silverman, Syria Spencer, Arielle Halpern, Kate Shaw and John Pick. The astounding rabbit is Sarah Shirrell. Colorful costumes and setting and fast action kept audiences rapt despite near-freezing cold.

COLD COMFORT

IT LOOKED like the May Festival, it smelled like the May Festival. But good grief was it cold, even colder than most cold May Festivals. The scent of grilling bratwursts, colorful banners and the Jazz Band wailing away warmed up the courtyard crowd even as little bits of sleety snow pelted them Thursday night. The Festival, nearing the end of its third decade, has become a highly-anticipated community event drawing now families whose daddies and mommies enjoyed the Rites as children themselves.

All of my friends are leaving for the summer and I want to give them something special...

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STRIKE UP THE BAND

WHAT WOULD the Rites be without music? Jazz Band members Mike Hoy, left, Josh Danoff and Kristina Lakinger lend a festive note.

GRILLING THEM

HOT DOGS, thuringers, bratwurst and hamburgers are steamed at the treatment they're getting from Physics Teacher David Derby.
Spring sports end seasons making history

BY NATE WHALEN

W ith seven league titles earned, two recent state and another record tied, the 92 season was a banner one for the U-High history books. Nearly flawless in the Independent School League (ISL) at 10-1, varsity baseballmen took the conference crown, then went on to rank ninth in their region. WORKING WITH a high-powered new coach, DePaul University Grad Student Jack Tay-
lor, the Maroons compiled a 12-3 overall record.

The moundmen’s march to the top of ISL proved surefooted and steady. Quickly taking care of sightseers in a 10-0 rout of Franciscan May 20, away, 13-1 in five innings because of the slaughter rule, the Maroons proceeded to face number one Illiana-Chris-

tian May 22, away.

Trailing 2-4 in the top of the seventh, last inning in high school games, the Maroons scored two runs to tie the game to force extra innings. Late in-

ning heroics by Senior Pat Sel-

lers and Junior Matt Dek led the Maroons to a 6-4 win.

But the U-Highers’ bid for a Sectional title was cut short in a 4-2 loss to Wheaton-St.

Franciscan May 23, at Wheaton.

Receiving honorable mention from ISL coaches, Juniors Finisher, Decker, and Wolf excelled respectively in the out-
fld and on the mound.

Also topping the ISL, J.V. baseballers coached by former varsity coach John Wilson fin-
ished 10-3-1, 4-0 in the ISL, pro-
pelled by a strong defense. At last week’s Sports Banquet, Coach Wilson received a special tribute for two decades of coaching
terest dedicatedly.

"WE HAD A VERY successful season and good defensive play," said Sophomore Xavier Mendeck, shortstop. "It also helped that we played teams that were not very good and weak fundamentally." As the varsity baseball season ended, further south the same day five members from the girls’ track team participated in the State track meet at Eastern Illinois University in dewentown Charleston.

Tying the school record for the highest jump in U-High history, five feet, four inches, Freshman Alex Brady finished sixth in State. The record had been set by Helen Slavin in 1979 when she placed fifth at State. Ear-

er this season, the 4x800-meter relay broke the old school indor record.

"I WANTED FIRST or is the top night," Alex later reflected. "If I felt I couldn’t do that, I didn’t want to compete. Next year, I think I’ll finish first."

Finishing 13th where the top 15 qualify, Senior Romanie Walter, 800-meter run, left U-

High just short of final State competition. The rest of the team, including standouts Se-

nior Nick Pesce, 300-meter hurdles and Junior Marie Geffrard and Freshman Anna Bloom, 3200-meter run, did not qualify.

Though not qualifying for State, lady Maroons took the ISL in convincing fashion. The sec-

ond-place team, Lake Forest Academy, trailed the Maroons by 51.5 points, 114-62.5.

Also Winning the ISL, boy tracksters also fell short of sending anyone to State, finishing

13 out of 21 teams at Sectionals, May 19 at Lisle.

"We met our ISL goal," said

Sophomore Kyle Thomas. "We won the ISL meet by 17 or some-

thing like that. We didn’t send anyone to State but we had a good season."

The Maroons actually won by 18 points.

VARIETY TENNISMEMEN fought hard at Sectionals May 22 at Lyons-Township, sending Seniors Bobby Earles, first singles, Chase and Grant Chavin, first doubles and Josh

Levin and Ali Sepandari, second doubles to State, May 31 at Ar-

lington Heights.

"We played good tennis, send-

ing all those people to State," Bobby said. "I was a little dis-

appointed in my performance. I was facing the number one seed and I think I should’ve been able to beat him. If I see him in State, I think I probably will." J.V. also topped the league in a varsity tourament, the matches were tight and gruel-

ing," said Sophomore Michael Leibovitz, first doubles. "We were playing the Brother Rice doubles team up one set to noth-

ing and in the second set tiebreaker up six to one, seven points win and we ended up los-

ing the set and the match. It was still a good match even though we lost."

Of Maroons at State, May 30 at Arlington Heights, Bobby Earles made it to the fourth round of competition, farthest of any U-Higher, winning his sec-

ond and third matches and los-

ing his first and fourth.

COMPETING HARD until the end and finishing with six one-goal games, varsity soccer girls

finished 8-3-1 in the ISL.

Among players returning next year will be two standout fresh-

men, Stephanie Lentis, All-Sec-
tion and Hannah Levine, honor-

able mention All-Section. J.V. soccer girls finished 11-3-1.

HEADIN’ FOR HOME, Junior Stanley Hill slided into home plate in an encounter May 20 at Hales-Franciscan the Maroons won 13-1 in five innings. In an exceptional season, varsity baseballmen captured the league title and went on to rank ninth in their region.

9.9 ft first in the ISL, highlighted with a 10-0 rout of Latin April 18, away with three goals by Freshman Kerith Luchins. "J.V. did real well," said Sopho-

more Jennifer Jones, midfield.

"It was the best J.V. soccer team in U-High history. We beat all ISL teams and had a great sea-

son.

SCORES of games and meet-

ings not reported are as follows:

(U-High score is favored for opponents. For complete and the final followed by name of

decemberer.)

BENZEE-Dean, May 15, 8-1; 7:30 ITH. 8iG. May 12, 12-11.

FRANCISCAN-Marin Pot Academy, May 16, 15-4; 7:30.

JUVENILE-Decker, May 15, 6-0;时限

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NORTH SHORE-Franklin Academy, May 15, 15-0; 7:30.

WACO-Marin Pot Academy, May 15, 7-0; 7:30.

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Winning Lineup

SPRING ATHLETES were honored at their sports banquet June 2, for which spirited students and parents packed the cafeteria.

Awards were presented as follows:

COACHES’ AWARDS for the outstanding contributions to the team—Sonnell, Junior Damon Wall, soccer; Senior Amy Whelan, Issa, Senior Claude and Grant Chavin, football; Junior John Whelan, basketball; Junior Nick Pesce, track.

ISL COACHES OF THE YEAR—Track, Mr. Bob James and Mr. Henry Johnson; Issa, Mr. Larry McManus.

In the photo, Track Coach Karen Duncan extolls the virtues of team members. Identifiable from left:


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Step forward, school urges those who vandalized

-By Kareem Saleh and
Alex Zamiar•
Editors-in-Chief

Hoping to minimize involvement of Chicago Police, administrators are hoping that the perpetrators of Monday's vandalism which left the school covered in corn oil and chocolate syrup will come forward and declare themselves responsible.

Administrators told the Midway that if a confession doesn't come soon, the pranksters could find themselves subject to police prosecution. The Midway was also told that administrators have reportedly obtained security camera footage from an area grocery store which allegedly shows several people purchasing corn oil.

The condiment-coated hallways were discovered early Monday morning by Math Teacher Laura Gill, prompting administrators to seal off the High School. Though it was initially reported that one faculty member had fallen and broken her wrist, Foreign Language Teacher Ann Beck did slip but was able to grab hold of a handrail, sparing herself any major injury.

Because of the dangerous conditions of the hallways, students waited outside and in Sunny Gym until 9 a.m. when they were allowed into Max Pavlevsky Theater for a community meeting. The annual honors assembly had been planned for that time.

Principal Hanna Goldschmidt spoke to students and a few parents, recapping the morning's events and describing what had taken place as destructive vandalism. Ms. Goldschmidt then asked audience members to speak and offer their thoughts. Many students expressed anger at the decision to cancel the awards ceremony.

"I feel that whoever did this, is being given too much credit by canceling the ceremony," explained Senior Chris Osan. "This is exactly what they wanted. If you cancel the awards ceremony people who were not involved in this ordeal are the ones who are going to lose the most."

As Ms. Goldschmidt fielded questions and listened to other U-Highers voice their opinions, she indicated commencement plans might be affected by what had taken place.

Mr. Stephen Sellers, father of senior Patrick warned administrators that any canceling or postponement of graduation would be unwise and negatively affect many families and students who had relatives coming in from out of town. Amidst student cheers and clapping, Mr. Sellers continued to voice his disappointment at canceling the awards assembly, noting that the school was letting vandals steal the spotlight from deserving U-Highers.

Ms. Goldschmidt then clarified her statement explaining that graduation only might be in limbo for those students found to be responsible for the vandalism if they were seniors.

After consulting with department chairpersons, Ms. Goldschmidt announced that the awards assembly would be canceled.

Though administrators have told the Midway that the school has no security camera footage of the crime, one faculty source told editors that an alarm was tripped Monday at approximately 4 a.m. Manager of Auxiliary Services Peter Brown had no comment on how perpetrators may have entered the building but did say that damage done to floor tiles and floorboards could cost between $50,000 and $100,000 to repair.

"I give U-Highers so much credit because so many have done creative pranks in the past, not that I condone them," Ms. Goldschmidt said somberly. "This however is just plain vandalism. I really regret that this is the way we have to end the school year."

More award winners

The front page of the Midway went to press before the day the awards assembly was scheduled. After the assembly was cancelled, the Midway was given several additional awards as follows:

SPECIAL INSERT

Last-Day Midway

Wednesday, June 11 1997

With the intention of getting footage of what they referred to as a prank, WGN-TV reporters walked into the Principal's Office Monday afternoon asking about a cooking accident in attempts to be funny. While waiting for Principal Hanna Goldschmidt, Director of Development and Alumni Eileen Epstein and Manager of Auxiliary Services Peter Brown walked into the office telling the reporters the mess had already been cleaned up. With nothing to film reporters left.

T.V. News crew leaves emptyhanded

Fine Arts—Art History, Stojn Ye.

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