Cafeteria ‘problems’ prove pluses

Quality still high, prices stay low

By Richard Singer
Associate Editor

The changing of the seasons, questions about the cafeteria's quality and prices appear at U-High regularly. But midway investigations through the years have found quality high and prices low.

This time the Communications Committee and Student Council plan to work with cafeteria managers to attract more students to eat at school.

"When you are a lot off campus, students not buying lunch at the cafeteria and going off campus instead because they say the cafeteria costs too much and isn't good enough," said Senior Pat Spant, Communications Committee student cochairperson, "you want to correct the situation."

We asked the political reps from each grade to draft a plan to lower prices and improve food quality.

But attracting more U-Highers to eat at school could result in the cafeteria being overwhelmed, managers said. Students already wait up to 20 minutes at the beginning of lunch in a line which cannot process more students than it already does.

Two hundred people already buy lunch in the cafeteria daily, estimated Cafeteria Manager Joanna Chen. Another 75 dine at area restaurants, owners estimate. The rest bring lunch.

Quality wise, the cafeteria is doing a good job, said U.C. Nutritionist Marjorie Sutton.

"Federal guidelines state a third of recommended daily allowances should be provided at each meal served at school," said Mrs. Sutton, who analyzed a cafeteria menu as well as the more than 50 entrees, 35 types of sandwiches and salads and several soups from the menu. "The cafeteria does this while having a much broader selection than other large quantities of food.

"The cafeteria managers are doing a good job but should try to learn from fixed foods as a staple of the menu. I would like to see them taking soda and candy off and putting in milk and fruit or salad in their place on the meal plan."

Though a variety of healthy fruit, cups, salads and sandwiches have been made available, Ms. Chen said U-Highers prefer Mexican dishes such as nachos and burritos and try to enjoy fixed foods. Cutting prices may not be possible because the cafeteria does not make a lot of money.

"We have never been able to pull much of a profit at Lab so we try to concentrate on not losing any money, rather than on how much we make," said University Foods Service Owner Richard Mort, a Lower School parent.

"We can't pull a profit because as part of our role in the Lab community we provide lunches to some of the kids on scholarship."

As for prices, the average cafeteria bill is $4, the average restaurant bill is $6, a Midway check shows. If the Communications Committee and Student Council succeed in wooing students to the cafeteria, the school will have to make (continued next page)

Price comparison of select items from the cafeteria, Medici and University Market.

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Caf supervision falters, chaos continues

By Vikas Singhal
Assistant Editor

Play by the book and you lose, said U-High's cafeteria workers. After dealing with Middie Schoolers, they serve more than 200 U-Highers who eat off-campus, some pocketing food and sneaking out while others force their way through the exit.

As an answer for the cafeteria's chaos, the school requires teachers to supervise the cafeteria one period a week.

But over one week period last month, the Midway found seven of the 40 teachers missed their assigned periods. Others arrived late and left early.

"If supervisors took their responsibility more seriously, quality-wise, cafeteria workers say the cafeteria wouldn't be such a disaster during lunch," explained Cafeteria Manager Joanna Chen, "that kids just put things in their pockets and nobody notices. Especially during lunch time when the supervisors don't show. We've tried to increase the number of servers but more labor is very expensive."

Some teachers, however, say serving U-Highers in the cafeteria should not be part of their job requirements. Helping with school work, they say, is more important than making students stop and eat.

"I was trained to teach, not supervise," said one teacher.

"Administrators recommend I help students in the caf but I get distracted. They've never spelled out what we as supervisors are supposed to do, either. Now I hear they're blaming theft and chaos on us. The school should hire permanent people to help organize the caf."

Supervision, administrators say, is also a way to bring students and teachers closer.

"I'd hope," said Principal Hanna Goldschmidt, "that teachers and students will talk more casually in the cafeteria. I would like to see teachers as professionals and experts on their field of their choice."

Photos by Teri Edelhoch

What's your favorite food in the caf?

MY FAVORITE food's the b l i t z a h c o k because they make the worst cheese you can imagine in the caf. Also, they have the worst sanwiches and the worst macaroni and cheese.

-Mike Mazzarini, sophomore

I LIKE the meatball sub. I love it. I eat it three times a week. It's a no-brainer.

-Mike Mazzarini, sophomore

I LIKE the pizza. I haven't had it in a long time and I want to try it again.

-Adam Black, senior

I LIKE the chocolate chip muffin in the caf. The guy who bakes in the caf makes them really good and since we're not made in the caf, I think I'll try them again.

-Beverly Nichols, sophomore

I USUALLY get the hot dog sled from the cafeteria. I prefer it to the hot dogs in the Lab.

-Mike Mazzarini, sophomore

I FIND it a lot more enjoyable to eat in the caf and in the lab.

-Adam Black, senior

When I do eat there, I get soup. The soup is really good and I usually eat a bowl of soup when it's cold.

-Mike Mazzarini, sophomore

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Talk of the town

HAZING isn’t a major problem, contend U-Highers at the first Town Hall assembly Oct. 7 in Lower Sunny Gym opened by Journalism Teacher Wayne Brasler (large photo). But faculty members such as Biology Teacher Dan West (inset) felt whatever hazed did exist qualified as mean and unnecessary. Though many seniors, such as Sara Shirrell and Pat Spann, and a few juniors such as Chesa Boudin (top) stepped up to the mike, only a few brave freshmen dared speak.

The all-school discussion (minus sophomores, who were on retreat) was the first of three planned for this year as part of the new Wednesday assembly program.

Caf ‘problems’ prove pluses

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changes. The facilities are properly arranged and the cafeteria staff cannot accommodate more customers. ‘We’ll work with the cafeteria’s operators to see what we can do to get people in and out of the cafeteria faster,’ said Principal Hannah Goldshelm. ‘If we are going to have more students eating in the cafeteria, we will need to find ways of keeping more food ready to be dashed out faster.’

Honor code, course evaluations, mascot top Council agenda

By Jesse Pellet
Student Government Board

Saying suggestions from U-Highers and looking at other high school and university honor codes, Student Council (S.C.) hopes to complete a honor code for U-High this quarter. S.C. Treasurer Pat Spence, senior, coordinating the effort, said a code would enable the student body to assume responsibility for its own behavior.

Proposed last year by Pat, classmate Garnet Segal and Marc Hoffman, ’97, to the Communications Committee, the honor code and student course evaluations have been adopted as S.C. projects. S.C. members hope to present a prepared code to U-Highers during a Wednesday assembly, with a secret ballot vote to follow later that week. Pat believes the student who respects his or her peers and the school will vote for the code.

‘To enforce the honor code, a student court would hard out punishments when people break it,’ Pat said. ‘The court would be separate from student government and would consist of an equal number of people from each grade.’

A similar code five years ago dissuaded when suspicions arose as to how it originated and how the court was dealing with cases.

Overcrowding still plaging library

By Karen Leit
Student Life Editor

Overcrowding in Rowley Library during 10th and Thursday extended lunch periods continues, even after changes in student schedule aimed at solving the problem. Librarians and administrators are still seeking solutions.

As many as 80 U-Highers crowd the library during some periods, according to Library Chairperson Mona Khalil. It is intended to accommodate 40 to 50 people. The crowd is often noisy despite constant plying by librarians urging students to quiet down to others who can work in peace.

The cafeteria might provide a more logical place to gather, but doesn’t.

‘I think the cafeteria is dirty, noisy and overcrowded,’ said Junior Bessie Berin. ‘The tables and chairs are constantly broken and there’s always used food on the tables and cockroaches in the corners. I would much rather hang out in the library.’

Librarians and students agree that a comfortable place for students to congregate other than the library needs creating. Ms. Khalil believes renovating the cafeteria would provide one solution. Another solution, say librarians, would be creating fewer free periods for students along with teaching them how to use free periods productively.

Despite the continuing overcrowding, the situation has improved this year, points out Library Teacher Susan Shapiro, a member of the faculty scheduling committee. Half the freshmen and sophomores last year had 3rd period free when they didn’t have advisory compared to a quarter free this year.

‘We balanced the schedules in a way that more evenly distributes classes across the day, providing a mix even distribution of students in free periods, as well,’ Mrs. Shapiro said.

Renovation of the library, everyone agrees, resulted in a becoming a more attractive place to visit beyond being a much improved research and study facility. How to maintain its attraction as a place to hang out remains the challenge.

(See editorial page 8)

Kingdom Kurt

S how me the coffee. Kurt Scott cruised down the streets of Hyde Park. Coffee... Coffee... Coffee... It was the only word he could say. He walked into every store, begging for some freshly brewed coffee. Disappointment, however, left him thinking his search was going to take him away from Hyde Park. But then he turned the corner of 57th Street and saw Caffé Florian. Right when he entered, he saw the beans and knew the more than 40 flavors of freshly brewed coffee at Caffé Florian would satisfy his needs.

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ONE SURPRISE AFTER another kept audiences alert, not to mention in stitches, as the fall production "Life, Death, Infinity and Everyman" last week. In an excerpt from Passion Poison and Petrification (from left) the Landlord (Junior Steve Gilpin), the Policeman (Junior Ben Epstein), Fritz Fitzlozemake (Junior Chris Rummel), and Magnus Fitzlozemake (Senior Vanessa Gay) gazed in horror at the deceased and petrified Adolphus Bastable (Junior Noah Silverman) who unfortunately and tragically passed away after being force-fed portions of the Fitzlozemakes' ceiling.

"They're sized:" Honors for two alumni

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Senior Rep. Barbara Flynn Carney, '88 U-High graduate, Illinois House majority leader and Mr. Jess Levine, '82, first president of the Alumni Association, will be honored with Distin-
guished Alumni awards at a dinner 6:30 p.m., Sat-
urday at the Palmer House Hilton, 17 E. Monroe St. Tickets are available from 773-707-5578.

Rep. Carney (D) serves the 26th District, in which U-High is located. A member of the Illinois General Assembly since 1978, she has worked to pre-
tend serious harassment in the workplace, sup-
port access to state contracts for businesses owned by women or minority groups, and sponsored the Illinois Freedom of Information Act.

President of a jewelry wholesaling company, Mr. Levine, among other numerous services to the school, established the Alumni Challenge Scholar-
ship Program in 1987.

SCHOLARS COMMENDED—Nineteen seniors have received certificates of commendation in the National Merit Scholarship program and five in the associated National Achievement program for out-
standing African-American students. The Com-
mented seniors scored among the top five per-
cent of those taking the qualifying test but not high enough to qualify as semifinalists. The honored seniors are as follows:

Moss—Derek Anderson, Asia Amore, Brandy Brown, Josephine Bruce, Venessa Delapiloue, Robert Clay, Andrew Chen, Andrew Deshong, Andrew Dijkstra, Daniel Johnson, Justin Langdan, Michael Leibert, Mustapha Abdi brown, Terrell Beddy, Nicole Brandt, Luke Wrenn, Kurt Stuck, Brian Brazier, Derryn

Be our guest—The school will put on its best face for company 1:45 p.m. Sunday for the annual Recruitment Open House. Faculty representatives from all school departments and students in sev-
eral activities, including journalism, drama and music, that prospective U-Highers and their families and describe the school’s programs and advantages. Students will serve as guides and re-
freshments will be served in the lobby and ca-
feeteria.

City sights—U-High can still sign-up of the 10 available places are not all taken—for a tour Fri-

day and Saturday of three culturally significant city neighborhoods sponsored by Urban Life Center. Participants will stay Friday night in a dormitory in Uptown. U-Highers who wish to participate can contact Community Learning Coordinator Lucy Gomez. The areas, subject to change, are Uptown on the North Side, Bronzeville on the South Side, and the Dearborn Homes Public Housing.

Because of the ever-changes in the city, the tours will visit different places each time, but will visit the same neighborhoods every time: Uptown, Bronzeville and the Dearborn Homes Public Housing.

SOPHS go ‘single’ in group effort

One up on the rest of the school, the sopho-

s first class get to play the T.V.-based show "Singles Out" a week earlier than the rest of the school.

Traveling to A Touch of Nature Center in down-

state Carbondale for their annual Retreat Oct. 14-

17, sophomores were divided into 10 groups in which they participated in rock climbing, canoe-

ing, hiking and a teams course.

Sophomore Class President Sonia Mittal said: "It gave people who would not have become friends the chance to get to know each other.

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Perspectives on ‘Perspective’ Planning praised, but some wonder where voices beyond U-High were

Planning organizers for careful coordination and for interesting discussions, many stu-
dents and teachers nevertheless couldn’t help noticing that the "Another Perspective" pro-
gress, Oct. 8, actually didn’t provide another per-
spective. It was U-Highers talking to U-Highers as usual, they said.

Organized by students and faculty members who had attended a People of Color Conference last year in Baltimore, "Another Perspective" gathered U-
Highers in groups for three class periods to dis-
uss intercultural dating, cultural identity, assimila-
tion, stereotypes in the media, homosexuality and affirmative action. A faculty member was present in each room, but told not to join the discussion.

"We wanted to try having the discussions without getting teachers involved because we did not want students to feel as if they were in a classroom set-
ting," said Senior Reena Rajan, an organizer. "We were fairly unknown even about having teach-
ers in the room. We wanted to make a comfort-

able environment in that students could freely ex-
press themselves."

But some faculty members, as well as students, felt it ironic that teachers were not invited to add "an-
other perspective." Some teachers also wondered why experts on the discussion topics had not been brought in.

"Professors could have offered facts and historical background on topics, allowing stu-
dents to compare, for example, society 30 years ago to U-High today," said Physics Teacher David Darbachi. "I found listening to students’ views compelling, but I thought they could have been brought to a finish before having experts as mediators.”

Some students also felt bringing in experts would have proved valuable.

"I think that if U-Highers were trying to gain perspectives on particular issues, they should have been brought to a finish before having experts as mediators.”

The next People of Color Confer-
ence Dec. 3-4 will take place in St. Louis. Advis-
ors to ethnic clubs will explain how students can apply to attend.

By Joe Fischer

Associate Editor

Employee Discounts

Photo by Sam Goliger

OPENING THE "Another Perspective" program, Daya Moskowitz, one of the organizers, read the poem "Listen" to an all-school assem-

bly.
New projects help the 'hood

By Richard Kiefer, Reporter/Editor

A

part of building projects in Hyde Park and Kenwood are bringing new life to the school neighborhood.
The Co-op Supermarket has begun constructing a store on the northwest corner of 47th Street and Lake Park Avenue. On 55th Street at Lakeshore Drive 64 townhouses are going up and 16 more at 59th Street and University Avenue. On 59th Street at Kenwood, University National Bank is completing a handsome new facade and after 100 years the L tracks over 63rd Street tracks are being demolished west to Cottage Grove.
The new Co-op Store will be a part of a long-awaited shopping center opening next summer.

Part of revitalization

"The important thing is that it is a part of revitalization of the North Kenwood and Oakland, which spans 55th Street to 49th Street and Lake Park to the Dan Ryan," observed Mr. Bill Gemmet, Co-op community relations director and former owner of Mr. G's food store, now a Co-op affiliate. "Not much money had been poured into that section of the community and it hadn't been done as a result of this. We hope that this will be a rebirth of the community."
The townhouse project at 5359 S. Lake Shore Dr. got underway last year. "Our hope for the project is to produce an attractive townhouse complex that will provide some relatively affordable housing in a nice area of Hyde Park," said Mr. Robert Mason, executive director of the South East Chicago Commission, which has served as a resource for renewal in the area. "The people who operate The Sinai Temple that was there before decided to move to the North Side, so it became pretty much up for grabs. In September of 1995 a private developer contacted us and the East Hyde Park Community to hold meetings on the proposed project. Though there was some opposition it was a better alternative to having high-rises built in the area. The project has no set date of completion right now. They will build some houses and wait for them to be sold and then

This is what the new Co-op Supermarket going up at 47th and Lake Park Avenue will look like. It will be build some more.
The other townhouse project, University Circle, built on the site of the old Osteopathic Science building, started construction in September. "Since the building hadn't been in use for some time," Mr. Mason explained, "the former owners decided to sell it to the developers, who saw it as a good place to put town homes."

Bank changes facade

After 25 years with the same face, University National Bank on 55th Street is donning a new look with an old look. "After some time, the existing siding started to deteriorate," said Vice President Kenneth Slicher. "When the panel siding was put in 25 years ago, a lot of the large stones that composed the exterior of the bank were taken out. We are renovating the exterior, giving it a look that has many of the qualities of the old bank before the siding was put in. We also want to bring in windows to give it a new look with the old design. With the windows part of a shopping center long awaited by area residents and bring traffic to a long-depressed area.

we will also be doing a lot of interior rebuilding. Since the Street is also getting an old look, a very old look. After a century, the L tracks which have kept the easy-to-walk thoroughfare shadowed have come down as part of a city redevelopment plan."

Walk in groups, police advise

Contested by an offender with a gun, one should sim- ply give them what they want and not offer any resis- tance. If a few, Police Director Robert R. Summer advises U-Highers in the wake of an unusual series of on-street robberies in the area.

"Try to be as secure as possible when out at night," Mr. Summer said. "If you see someone suspicious walking towards you, create as much distance as possible. Also, walk with companions. Data shows that the major- ity of the people who are victimized are those walking alone and at night."

U-Highers have been approached for money by people claiming to have firearms in the evening near the 59th Street Mass transportation stations and waiting for a bus on 59th Street by the Dan Ryan Expressway. Both city and University police have stepped up neighbor- hood patrols and apprehended several suspects in area robberies and muggings.

Every day Adam Fetsch travels 40 miles to University Market from Indiana. Waiting hours on end in traffic. One would think under conditions like this the craving for a UM sandwich would die. Adam thrives on this hardship.

Grad returns to assist in Community Learning

As a graduate of the University of Chicago, Mr. Rhoden returns to assist in Community Learning. After graduating from Occidental College in Long Beach, California, Mr. Rhoden, now 27, worked as an intern for former State Sen. Paul Simon researching women, family and children's issues at the Library of Congress. He moved to Washington, D.C., to help set up Sen. Carol Moseley Braun's office. Later he decided to leave politics and get into education.

As a U-Higher, Mr. Rhoden belonged to Students Against Driving Drunk (SADD) member and Amnesty International and managed tennis.

"I want to help facilitate the sophomores' experi- ence at their Community Learning sites by making sure they have and by alleviating their concerns," Mr. Rhoden said. "Basically I want to make them feel as comfortable as possible by being as honest as possible."

Five diversity seminar committees get to work

Following up last year's Diana Wos Symposium on mar- rying diversity in the school and community, five com- mittees composed of parents, faculty members and staff members have been formed. The committees, which met for the first time Oct. 3, include: Binging for Diversity,長い在議会 and Binging a Diverse Student Popula- tion, Community Involvement and Education, Diversity Issues in Student Life, and Diversity in the Curriculum. A pedestrian, Ms. Wos was active in school concerns and president of the Parents' Association.

"We hope to study and implement as many of the suggestions that came out of the Symposium as we can," said former Parents' Association President Valerie Carroll, executive diversity committee chairman. "We will do this by having the executive committee turn the sugges- tions over to the five subcommittees and have the sub- committees report back once a quarter to see how progress on the suggestions is going."

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Openminded
Women's issue group welcomes men, too

Sexual harassment, breast cancer, sexual awareness and eating disorders are among topics a new women's issue group plans to discuss.

Senior Nicole Saffold and Junior Lesley Pinto, presidents, founded the group because they feel U-High girls could benefit from a source for information on issues such as health and self-respect.

They also felt the school could benefit from such a group after hearing boys speaking disrespectfully of girls.

Sophomore Sarah Newby is vice president.

Boys welcome

The group is open to boys as well as girls. It will meet weekly, alternating Monday one week and Wednesday the next. Meeting places will be announced in the Daily Bulletin.

"We want males to join, because we feel women's issues involve boys as well," Nicole said. "We'd like to hear the voices of another perspective so that we can help both males and females be more aware of women's issues. We only had one boy at our first meeting, but we don't want there to feel discouraged."

Counselor Bob Bachand, the group's adviser, also urges boys to join the group.

"I hope that because I am a male adviser I can help encourage more boys to join," Mr. Bachand said.

Increasing awareness

"Our main goal for the year is simply to increase awareness of the student body about issues such as women in politics and their roles, equal pay for women, and health issues concerning women."

For National Women's History Month next March, Dr. Sandra Culbertson, associate professor of clinical obstetrics and gynecology at the University, has agreed to come to the school for a program.

One Sukkah gone, another rises

AFTER COMPONENTS of the wooden Sukkah built last year by the Jewish Students' Association were discovered missing, JSA members went to work building a new one with pipes and chicken wire. Decorated enclosures for dining and socializing, Sukkhas are part of Sukkot, a holiday expressing gratitude for a bountiful harvest. A Sukkah also was built at Sophomore Retreat last month. Stringing dried fruits and hanging leaves from left, Sam Biederman, Jeff Hansen, Katie Shapiro and Naomi Leibowitz get ready to welcome everyone to enjoy the Sukkah.

Midway receives two nat'l honors

Highest ratings from two school press associations have arrived for last year's Midway. The Columbia University (New York) Scholastic Press Association awarded the paper a Gold Medalist and the National Scholastic Press Association headquartered at the University of Missouri awarded an All-American.

To receive the Medallist, the Midway first had to earn at least 925 of 1,000 possible scoreboard points. The Midway received 960. The judges also awarded the Midway all five possible All-American Honors for special merit in Content, Writing and Editing, Design, Hands-On Production and Business.

"The Midway is an exceptional example of a student-driven and amateur publication," CSPA's judge wrote. "You present topics in an engaging, challenging and educative piece. You exert leadership in all types of coverage, in written presentation and visual enhancement."

To receive the All-American rating, the paper first had to earn a minimum of 2,900 scoreboard points -- the Midway received 3,575 -- then at least four of five marks of distinction for distinction in specific areas.

The Midway received four five Marks, for Coverage and Content, Writing and Editing, Photography and Art and Graphics, and Layout and Design. The judge withheld a Mark in Leadership, however, stating, "When writing controversial or emotional issues, look to sinon the angle of 'how can the Midway help the situation?" Besides just reporting accurately, can you offer solution? This is better known as 'civic journalism.' Then you're being proactive, not reactive."

The judge also objected to the word "us" in a case caption and "thick in a quote."

In journalism classes, Midway editors had been discussing the concept of "civic journalism" and its implications before the scoreboard arrived.

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ETHNIC LUNCHES are nothing new to U-High, of course, but this one Oct. 9 was something different. Several Ethnic Clubs chatted in with offerings ranging from bagels to Indian curried rice to good ole fried chicken and collard greens. The idea was to keep the spirit of the "Another Perspective" program that week going at least one more day. Trying to put together a balanced lunch from the widely varied offerings was nearly impossible, so giving in and pigging out without guilt became easy. At the cutely exotic table, from left, are Reena Hajat, Joanne Bauer and Binita Baral (both hidden), Erica Aronson, Mario McHarris, Lonnie Hubbard and Dina Moskowitz. The hands belong to Rachel Shapiro.

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GAYS, LESBIANS AND U-HIGH: A REPORT CARD

by Kate Calvert
MetroWest

I hate U-High. I hate all of you. Four of his or her seven classes, action would be taken swiftly.
Parents would be called, teachers met with and
turning sessions planned.

After grading U-High on a report card which the
Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network (GLSEN) in New York City recently used to rateschools nationwide, the MetroWest found the school was failing four of the seven subjects.

This school would get an interim

Grading schools systemic and independent institu-
tions on the basis of how gay and lesbians are pre-
tected and supported, GLSEN employed a seven-
subject report card with the following categories:

- Protecting students from discrimination
- Providing staff and students from harassment
- Providing with workshops and train-
ing, providing counseling and site-appropriate
- Information in school libraries, supporting
- Transcendental student activities and clubs
- Offering on-line and on-campus initiatives

Schools rate poorly

Nationally schools averaged a D grade, with most
D (20 percent) and E (17 percent). The

"What the average D rating means," Ms. Kate
Franklin, GLSEN director of advocacy and public
polity, told the MetroWest in a phone interview,
"is that most schools are providing hostile en-
vironments for gay students."

When teachers react to students using language that
is derogatory to gay and lesbian 97 percent won’t
stop the kids. This tells students it’s okay to say
these words. The hostile environments schools
provide is part of the reason there is a 28 percent
drop out rate among gay and lesbian high school
students.

Seven of 25 schools in the Chicago area re-
ceived Fs. Two ranked high, Oak Park River Forest
(OPRF) getting an A and Morgan Park Academy
receiving a D

Both schools have adopted policies protecting
bisexual and homossexual students and faculty
members. OPRF’s policy protecting staff and stu-
dents is 10 years old while MPh’s has been in
place 12 years.

School reflects community

OPRF’s inclusive environment is a reflection of the
community’s values, Dr. Frank rates, associate
superintendent, told The Windy City Times, a weekly
newspaper for the gay and lesbian community, in
the Sept. 25 issue.

"I know that all schools are not in a community like
Oak Park," Dr. rates said. "It’s a diverse, lib-

era community.

In contrast the Lab Schools’ surrounding liberal
environment is not reflected in the school. U-High
filled three of GLSEN’s criteria, protecting students
are staff from harassment, providing information
in the library and supporting extracurricular stu-
dent activities and clubs.

Though the Student Handbook includes rules against
harassment, including harassment on the basis of
sexual orientation, there are no rules for
routinely discriminating against any group.

"We don’t have policies specifically protecting gay
students," said Principal Hannah Goldschmidt, be-
cause no one deserves to be harassed by such a
discrimination against, and gay and lesbian students.

They shouldn’t have to be singled out. I hope the
school would be supportive of any student.

Harassment happens here

Regardless of existing rules against it, students say
harassment does happen at U-High.

"I don’t think there’s a lot of open harassment here," said Senior Jose Arismendi, co-president of
Gay, the gay and lesbian discussion group with
Junior Anoushka Gabrading. "But I have been ha-
rassed by people saying really mean things about
sexuals and homosexuals when they know I can hear
them."

Despite unlikely comments of some fellow U-
Highers, many gay and bisexual U-Highers say they
don’t feel threatened about coming out here, even
at times they are uncomfortable.

"Being bisexual has never been a problem for me," said Senior Joanne Bauer. "I’ve never felt threat-
ading at school. Sometimes I don’t know whether
to tell people because you think, you know who is going to react. I knew some
people that are afraid to tell teachers because they think they’ll get lower grades. I’ve thought from time to time, too."

Curriculum weakest

The weakest area in schools, GLSEN found, is in-
clusive curriculum.

"Gay and lesbians have been erased from the
world," Mr. Franklin said. "There is no evidence
for students that they exist or have contributed to
society. We hope that antigay biases will de-
crease if students are aware that gays are part of this
society for hundreds of years.

U-High has no gay or lesbian course content.

"Current level of instruction is about the department and

ItsHard," Ms. Goldschmidt said. "If history or
English teacher thinks a person’s sexual orienta-
tion is relevant or right it might be necessary to a
deeper understanding of that person’s actions or writing, it’s their choice to bring that up.

The library has offered one book on sexual ori-
entation and a graduate started a fund to purchase
them, but often the books disappear.

Gay, the gay and lesbian discussion group, hopes to
educate U-High about gay issues.

"Gay, the gay, people explained," "It helps to
people learn being gay or bisexual is not a choice
someone makes and regardless of your belief about
the moral aspects it’s not about what they are and has
never been.

"We’re talking about bringing in a speaker to a
school about what it was like for her to come out in
high school. If people hear how hard it can be maybe they’ll begin to feel, or at least act, differently.

Parents a problem

"One problem we’re run into, though, is parents who don’t want their children to hear
"Their kids," Ms. Bauer added. "It’s mostly the par-
ents of underclassmen.

"They say their kids come to school here and
the parents don’t want them learning about some-
thing they are uncomfortable with.

"Also, I think a lot of parents are afraid their chil-
dren will become gay or they’ll learn and talk about sexuality, which is ridiculous."

The issue of parents being reluctant for their chil-
dren to be exposed to or discuss gay issues, particu-
larly self-identity, poses a particular problem because the suicide rate among gay teenagers is high.

Three times more likely

According to figures published in the Oct. 15 is-
ssue of Outweller, another weekly newspaper for the
gay and lesbian community, the suicide rate is 38.1
percent among bisexual males and 20.2 percent
among gay males 14-14.5 percent among gay or bisexual females and among men and
women it is 14.5 percent.

The average gay teen, Mr. Franklin, is around
two times more likely to commit suicide that their heterosexual peers are from suicide.

Some observers might consider such figures a cause for alarm. But, not evidently, at U-High. Even
though the school is in danger of failing.

6-7 depth report

U-High Milford, Jr. Tuesday, November 4, 1997

A safe place

Social group offers

By Alex Blander
MetroWest

G nabbing another boy by the wrists and pull-
ing him off a couch, a teen with greased-
back hair wearing platform shoes dancing to the
ads on music blasting from a stereo in the cor-
ner of the room. Spread thinly through the spacious but cozy room in
groups of two and three, others, more
talking to others, getting the buzz, sitting and
bright and eyeing each other around.

Meeting Tuesday through Thursday evenings and Saturday afternoons in a converted apartment
building in the North Side residential area, a social and discussion group sponsored by the commu-

nity agency Hotline for Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual persons, 14-25, to feel com-
fortable about their sexuality, according to Youth
Group Coordinator Enshel De Leon, a young woman with
short dark hair.

"There aren’t any serious discussions," Ms. De
Leon said. "This place is just somewhere where people can be themselves, even if they aren’t ‘out’
anywhere else. The other point, for instance, is just putting on some music and dance.

Today, a cloudy, chilly Thursday, attendance is
30.3 of the two teens dancing, three boys are
playing Nintendo excitedly, sitting behind one of
the room’s five worn couches. A boy seated at a
small table in the corner eats soup from a styrofoam container.

Seated by the rainbow-colored banners hangers people still view to it as an abnormal thing.

The room, two girls in owndezshirts and jeans try to hold a conversation through the music.

That night, when I’m here, a short blonde-haired girl tells as she nods her head

Is coming out ‘in now’?

By Sarah Slanigan
MetroWest

W ith celebrities coming out on TV and stor-
ies abounding in newspapers and mag-
azines about gay culture, some adults worry
that teenagers may come to believe it is consid-
pered chic to declare oneself gay.

Yet many U-High students and faculty mem-
bers say if anything students are pressured to
label themselves as heterosexual to avoid negative reactions from the community.

"I don’t have a sense of being pressure on students to declare themselves as gay, ac-
tually I believe it is quire the opposite," said Counselor Bob Bachand.

The encouragement is to be straight. But if students aren’t really straight and are unsure of their sexual identity, it is more acceptable to be bisexual.

"Parents believe that there is still a chance for the child to return to being straight.

Parents may perceive being bisexual as a half-
step for their children.

"If people hear that’s in the community, they are not normal, and they are not considered gay.

It is ridiculous to think people are pressured to declare themselves as strictly heterosexual or bi-
sexual in this community," said Junior Anoushka Gabrading.

"The principle of the community is against anything that is not a normal, girl-boy relationship. Being bisexual does not give one an advantage, for people hear how hard it can be maybe they’ll begin to feel, or at least act, differently.

For girls, declaring oneself gay might be easier than some people feel.
way to widen horizons

to the music, "Nobodys judging me for being gay, nobody's cornering me, they're all going through something similar to what I'm going through. It's always a comfortable environment and it's just a lot of fun." Sitting in a small couch, one of the teens who had been dancing until exhausted. The other stands behind the people playing Nintendo, watching the screen distractedly. To the door a boy looks around to make sure no one's looking before darting his hand into a bowl of condoms surround by pamphlets on AIDS awareness and sexually transmitted disease. On the other side of the room, a dark-haired boy sucking on a lollipop who has just arrived sitting with another boy. 'I haven't told my parents or most of my friends yet,' the dark-haired boy says, shifting around in his seat.

"I think it is more acceptable for girls to come out because there is a greater population of supportive lesbian and female bisexuals at Lab," said Junior Mike Zabel. "Also, guys might feel encouraged to openly declare themselves as gay because they don't have as strong a support. They are placed under greater pressure to hide their sexuality because of a stronger rejection from the community."

Some people do feel society encourages confused adolescents to choose homosexuality as a way of being fashionable. "To a certain extent, declaring oneself gay has become a fashionable thing to do and so people who are in doubt are encouraged to think they are gay," said a junior boy, who added to be anonymous. "Because there is an increasing acceptance in society to be gay, anyone is in doubt they are invited to join the handwagon."

Perceiving sexual identity as an innate quality, some people say that who you are is irrelevant to choice or pressure and will not change. Science has yet to weigh in definitively on the matter. Different studies have come to different conclusions. But many people who feel deeply declaring themselves gay does not mean much before that many arrowed bisexuals are hiding their true sexuality, gay or straight. "Being gay is not a decision," says Ms. Delia Behrsky, features editor of a weekly gay community newspaper, The Wandy City Times. "It is something that you develop early on in life and there is no choice. It is simply who you are."

"Teenagers who are gay fear coming out, which is why there is such a high suicide rate among them. Coming to terms with sexuality is a scary moment where teenagers who are gay are frightened of rejection from their friends and parents."

Not here, people say

"My parents would probably kick me out or something and I don't even know whether a lot of my friends would tell out friends with me, you know? Brightening up, the dark-haired boy remembers something he wanted to tell the other boy. 'I have the funniest story,' he says, taking the lollipop out of his mouth. 'I told this straight friend of mine who knows I'm gay— that I was going to alternative night at the dance club and she was like, 'Great, can I come along? I love alternative music.' I had to keep laughing at her that it wasn't the music that was alternative.'

Horizons Services is located at 561 West Montana. The youth group meets 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 5-8 p.m. Thursdays, and noon-2 p.m. Saturdays. Information is available by telephoning (773) 672-6660.
 misses opportunity

‘Gattaca’ has big aspirations but ends up full of air

SHALING INTO THE ocean to begin one of their frequent swimming contests, brothers Vincent (Ethan Hawke) and Anton (Chad Christ) grumpily state at the expansive, grey ocean in front of them. As his arms cut through the choppy waves, Vincent,15, and his brother watches his older brother go past him. A narrarator then begins explaining the deep existential implications of this scene.

Filled with overdone symbolism and syrupy melodrama, Columbia Pictures’ new futuristic drama, ‘Gattaca,’ never lives up to its impressive premise, despite the rare genetical engineered. Through an underground gene-broker, Vincent meets Jerome (Jim Law), a recluse, crippled member of the elite. Vincent then supports Jerome in exchange for genetic samples that will get him past Gattaca’s security. With the samples, Gattaca With the samples, a team of researchers is able to make a flawless sample of the real Jerome, which is then used to pass as the real Jerome.

Visual effects, the movie portrays a dark yet glamorous society. There is no nobility, good colors or disorder of any kind. While the furniture in black, sleek and minimalist, a conventionally still book, the customers are primarily back to the 50s. Unfortunately the rest of the movie is nowhere near as creative and engaging. The plot lacks momentum and tension, quickly becoming redundant. Each scene is overlaid with overwrought images and unenjoyable dialogue.

As the protagonist, Ethan Hawke is competent, if bland. On the other hand, Judd Law, as Jerome, not only gets the best lines but some genuine depth to his character, as well as the chance to make some dialogue almost witty. He consistently steals scenes from Hawke. If the best scenes were Hawke and Law, the worst are the ones with Uma Thurman and Blacker. As line, the narrative and the characters are not always successful in conveying the emotion (even when the character calls for it). Thurman and Hawke have no chemistry and their relationship is left, indescribable and empty.

Considering the amazing possibilities of its fascinating premise, ‘Gattaca’ is a terrible disappointment. The combination of the story and the acting have shown that film needs more than a great premise to succeed.

Vincent (Ethan Hawke) uses someone else’s genetic samples to get into an exclusive space program and falls in love with Irene (Uma Thurman) the sci-fi misfire ‘Gattaca.’

Let’s have some peace, quiet

Too much noise in the library. Too much racket in the cafeteria. The cry of both faculty members and students. What school never, they say, is peace and quiet, or at least one place to find it.

The recreation of Rowly Library has proven too successful. U-Highers come to hang out, not just to study and research. Meanwhile, students seeking quiet flee to the cafeteria where, despite noise, there are plenty of empty tables. Stop at lunch. Then that small space is crowded and jammed with chattering students and the lunch line is off the scene of chaos. Teachers on supervision standing outside the line making sure the kids are not fighting each other are often too noisy to the rest of the scene on the line itself, with people hanging in front of other people, coming in from the “exit” end and counting on the front to hide what they are dealing—stinking food. The key to sanity here is all teachers showing up for their cafeteria duty—McKee shows shows not at all—those and those during lunch hour keeping a close watch on the lunch line. As for talk about finding ways to attract more U-Highers to eat in school rather than go out at Inch, it doesn’t make much sense when the cafeteria already is a madhouse which can barely accommodate the people already there.

The library presents stickler challenges. The librarians are fairly busy at all times trying to create and preserve order. But they are valiantly and early battling a too-attractive location and environment. Perhaps if email word processing wasn’t accessible at library computers, U-Highers who come to laugh at comic strips and read recursive, prudish, or humorous articles out loud to a friend. After all, some students don’t allow students to enter their libraries without a pass from a teacher and clearly stated reasons for using the facilities. Such drastic measures are not in the style of this school. But making the library a bit more of a privilege and a bit less of an easy mark for any forseenking U-Higher might not be a bad idea at all.

The last word on hazing: Don’t

Between advisory discussions, assemblies and midyear stories, U-High has certainly had its share of conversation about hazing. Many aspects of the topic have been overlooked, however, by many people. The danger involved in it is the Handbook rules. While the question of whether hazing is morally “acceptable” has been raised countless times, the danger associated with it has not been addressed much. The possibility of a freshman being physically hurt because hazing is not inconsequential.

More importantly, however, the school already has a rule about hazing: A no-tolerance policy stated in the Handbook. It is important to allow faculty and administrators to hear students’ opinions on the sociology of hazing, as happened in the Oct. 15 Town Hall Assembly. It’s no big deal, many seniors said. It’s no big deal, a few freshmen said. Some students said that any other freshmen said was quite another story.

But the bottom line is, it’s dangerous, it’s against the rules, cases closed.

Responding to issues raised in the assembly, a letter about hazing is being sent home to parents. The letter essentially says the school’s official position on hazing, something students should have been well aware of before the assembly even took place.

No matter how people feel about hazing or their experiences with it, legally and morally the school can only condemn it.

‘Other’ missing from ‘Another’

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But the conference fell short in one area. It fell out those other perspectives.

Midway Mailbox

No big deal is a big deal

From Karen Duncan, athletic director: I REGRET NOT making a comment at the Town Hall Meeting Oct. 15. I simply found myself for words for a rare situation for me. But now I am back in real and have plenty to say again.

To hear some members of our senior class talk about respect in such a disjointed manner is upsetting to me. I appreciate the spirit and ambition of my students, and it is upsetting to me that they are a special group. In fact, I felt that a certain every of them my senior year in high school was certainly not on my best.

We do offer our respect by extending privileges to seniors that include a senior lounge, for many a more relaxed schedule and creditless leadership opportunities in the school which include clubs and athleticism. Perhaps a few (and I really only a few) members of the seniors the part of the respect and privilege includes having Guidance your senior students, they are surely missing.

I cannot believe that the only person at the assembly who used the word “hazing” was Sam Ross. What is unacceptable is the behavior of some of the students that are hazing. Countless students stood up at the assembly (many hands up) and said “it’s no big deal”.

Well if it is no big deal then why does it continue to happen? This senior class has so much to offer and look forward to and will forget many lifetime memories in the years that hazing will not be one of the legacies of the class of 1998.

Mrs. Duncan

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MAMMOTH MOMENT

I'VE BEEN INSPIRED. I was recently told that U-High is getting a mascot, a woolly mammoth.

Well, I was so excited about it that of course I wanted to help. So I thought I'd write a woolly mammoth theme song. To start off, I sat at my desk and came up with a list of mammoth characteristics.

Let's see, they're big... fat... smelly... and extinct.

Hmmm... those are some good parallels to U-High.

Rachel Shapira

The fact is that a mammoth really doesn't represent U-High. I was talking to some of the mascot committee members and they told me that the reason why the woolly mammoth was picked was because it started with the letter M.

You know, Maroons starts with M, too. The other thing is that a mammoth has a low intelligence. One thing that you can say about mammoths such as Romans and Colossus is that they are fat and aggressive, bringing competition to the school. Mammoths are just big and dumb. So if U-Highers are mammoths, the only good quality that we have is that we take up a lot of space.

More than that, the inventors of this mascot haven't decided what exactly we are using it for. Let's just hope they don't decide to put a mammoth on the front of our uniforms. We'd get laughed off the field.

The only good thing I can think of about having a mammoth mascot is to have a mascot costume. I admit that it might be kind of amusing to see a big dumb animal roaming the floors. And maybe, just maybe, it would increase attendance to the first couple games it appeared.

But all in all, this mammoth looking like it is a minimized version of Mr. Smith's mop.

Well, if the needed a friend we could make a Big Bird mascot too.

Kings of entertainment
Cartoonists craft quality T.V.

Consistently clever, amusing and original some of the most popular T.V. shows are prime-time cartoons. Cartoonists are presenting characters with lives so engrossing that one almost forgets they're not real. That's more than can be said for many live action programs this season.

From "Beavis and Butthead" creator Mike Judge and "The Simpsons" ex-writer Gary David, "King of the Hill" (7:30 p.m., Sunday, WFDY channel 32) combines the best elements of these shows: sublty clever writing and oddly foolish characters.

Centered on Hank Hill, a close replica of a recurring character on "Beavis and Butthead," and his family, the writers poke fun at small town Texan attitudes without being cruel.

While on the surface they seem like stereotypes, dim-witted and preoccupied, they exhibit more complexity than average sitcom characters. Hank's relationship with his round son Bobby, for example, is endearing in its awkwardness.

Particularly amusing is Hank's three best friends. Bebe and dipped, they show up at Hank's house periodically with antipolitically correct rantings ("Guns don't kill people, the government kills people" one tape) pertaining to the episode's theme.

Another "Beavis and Butthead" spinoff, "Daria" (9:00-10:00 p.m., Monday, MTV) offers yet more entertaining and intelligently scripted animated programming. The show focuses on teenaged Daria Morgendorffer, the thoughtful outcast Beavis and Butthead ridiculed. As our expressions protagonist glasses through thick-rimmed glasses as her fellow suburbanites, she seems stuck in an eerie parallel universe.

Her self absorbed composure of inane teachers, insane peers and clueless parents mystifies Daria in their thought processes.

Daria's sarcastic and monotone comments of discussion with her friends and family are often hilariously. Cartoons are not just for Saturday morning sugared cereal kids anymore. The few but strong animated series on television are at an adult audience are definitely worthwhile.

Oasis comes up dry on third album try

ACCCLAIMED ROB IN his refreshing carefree mezzofani in its first two albums, the British alternative band Oasis reveals a serious, introspective side in its third album, "Be Here Now."

Candid about life's hard knocks, "Be Here Now" ranges from the saucy in-your-face lyrics of hit single "Don't You Know What I Mean?" to the mournful melody "Don't Go Away."

While cleverly-written songs deplores 17吓得-Life subject matter becomes repressive and bawling ending with the unexpectedly peppy "All Around the World," which sticks out awkwardly from the rest of the album.

Listen Up!

Nicole Saffold

"I want to breathe," Oasis frontman Liam Gallagher says in the title track's music video. "I want to feel again."

At last, the band that made Britpop into a household name returns with a collection of songs that reveals band members' struggles with addiction, grief and depression.

But malachronic moodiness gets tired quickly and tuner tunes can only go so far. After all, the album becomes progressively monotonous, its songs begin to sound the same and they drag on too long.

Finally, if they are going to change style, the members of Oasis should stick to their guns, instead of the album ends with All Around the World (Reprise)'s whose chorus is "Please don't cry, never say die."

Which one is it guys?

The Camel's Back... by Mike Lebovitz

What would you do about the noise in the library?

Dina Moskowitz, senior: The librarians would be less picky. They would let people work together if the students wanted to. It makes things more hectic when the librarians get mad.

Carla Gough, junior: I would add more comfy chairs. Then there would be more noise. What was the question again?

Van Mottkir, sophomore: I would have Ms. Khalil get rid of some of the people.

Becky Murray, freshman: I would add more conference rooms. I would also change the clock arrangement so people would be less tempted to talk.

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With work, fall squads turn in winning seasons

by Johannsen Buecker and Nathaniel Widder

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cattered by strong underclassmen, fall sports teams have turned in winning seasons.

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eerly facing two meets in the week, varsity girls swimmers used extra practice to their advantage in their 9-2 season.

Breaking the 400-yard freestyle relay record, the team of Seniors Hannah Gotschalk and Christina Catwell, Juniors Kathleen Hahn (swim) and Sophomore Hannah Ley new time of 4:57.92, Oct. 9, at home against Middletown. In a highly anticipated tri-meet Oct. 4 against Kenwood at Whitney Young, victory came down to the final race.

"It was close and we were in 1st place," Hannah said. "It was up to us. We beat them by a lot and won the meet. It was a great meet considering most people thought we couldn't beat either of them."

Using juniors' three years of experience to guide them, the 6-2 jv hopes to join in achieving victory in a one-level meet tomorrow at home against Evreux.

State in Sight

Repeating the course cross-country Section and addition of strong teams such as Winnebago and Wheaton St. Francis, did not slow down the Maquon as they plowed over their Regional competition. Winning the Region and placing fourth of the top 10 runners, led by Sophomore Anna Bloom, the next step for us is Sectionals and then, hopefully, State.

"State is within our reach," Anna said. "We have a good team and can send everyone to state. I think we'll all have to work very hard."

\nWatching the finish line, Coach Bud James gripped of the top three in the top 15 runners Oct. 16 at the Latin Invitational were Maquon led by Junior Leah Drew, 3rd, the U-High finished 5th of eight teams.

Buy runners were led by Juniors Brad Jasden and Toru Mino to 4th place in the same meet, the last warm-up before Regionals.

"I'm hoping the whole team makes it to Sectionals," Coach James said. "If the team doesn't make it, I believe Sophomore Ryan Craig shouldn't have any problems making it to State."

Freshman State-bound

Freshman Adrienne Clark was U-High's only player making it past Semifinals Oct. 18 at the Morton West sectional. But Adrienne lost in the second round to Julie Penn of Wheaton Warrenville South, 6-1, 6-1. Oct. 24 in Prospect High School.

"We came close to sending everyone to State," said Junior Lizzy Heydenreich, who lost in the varsity second singles. Even though Adrienne was the only player to make it past Semifinals in the past, we still improved this year."

Beating Latin for the first time in a decade Sept. 30 at LaM., the Maquon weren't surprised.

One of numerous varsity swim record-breakers, Kathleen Hahn helped the 400-yard freestyle time.

"It's not a shock we beat them. Latin was not as skilled as last year," said Senior Slpa Katz, varsity swim coach. "Regardless of skill, we played all of one's best matches of the year."

Packing the place

"Finishing 2nd to Latin for the third time in four years, 10-14, 9-4 league," varsity volleyballers thronged on strong communication and big three-set losses.

Beating Lake Forest, Oct. 20 at home and Woodlands, Oct. 8 at home, the Maquons were assured second place.

"They were strong teams and big wins," said Senior Nel Gibbons, co-captain with Senior Ali Lynn Gogolak. "When we beat Woodlands, who we were supposed to lose to, that gave our team a great lift and I think it got us going."

Also giving the team a big lift, participating in a state contest called "Pack the Place," the Maquons were able to fill the gym Oct. 3 and become cowimmers in the contest.

"Finishing strong, the 10-7 (6-4 league) jv defeated broke the early season goal of finishing above .500 with strong net play by Junique Heather Brown and Sophomore Tia Duncan, Maquon team by winning the first court.

Destiny detectors

With destiny in their hands, varsity soccermen, 13-5 overall 9-3 league, lost their chance at the League title with a 2-1 loss to Latin, Oct. 17, home.

Early in the first half, the Romans cleared a ball to the Maquons' goal. Hearing the scream of "ball sides," Sophomore Justin Slaughter, goalkeeper, thought the play was over as Senior Mike Sharp scored for the Romans to give them a 1-0 lead.

Even with a second half goal by Juniors Andy Rosenbord, the Maquons couldn't overcome the Romans as a late second half goal by Junior Johnny Nails guaranteed them the league title.

"We could have won it all with that victory," said Senior Nick Aulston.

"But we just couldn't score and made two costly mistakes."

"-Nick Aulston, senior"

In a meet where seven of the top 13 runners were Maquons, Kayte Schelin heads towards the finish line as U-High takes 1st place at the Latin Invitational Oct. 16.

10 sports

U-High Maintenance, Wednesday, Nov. 1, 1995

Still in love with the game, the game remains the thing

by Johannsen Buecker

Two years after the famed Independent School League (ISL) Soccer Player of the Year as a freshman, Junior Andy Rosenbord is playing the game with extraordinary focus, unending energy and a hair to win.

First introduced to soccer when he was six, Andy recalls his first game with a smile.

"It was at a camp on the East Coast and I had so much fun playing," Andy said. "Ever since I have always wanted to play soccer."

Though modestly sized at 5 feet, 8 inches, Andy can rely on strong legs to sprint past opposing defenders.

No disadvantage

"I don't feel any disadvantage," Andy said. "I still make up for the loss in size."

Hurling from his block Jeep Wagon to his position on the field for practice on a room day, Andy says he is always thinking about his game.

"I know I could have beaten those defenders but I'm just not doing it," Andy reflected about the 1-0 win Oct. 22 over North Shore.

"I am going to have to fix that before the playoffs start."

Neverending season

After the Maroons' soccer season ends, Andy is still working on his game near his Hammond, Indiana, home.

"During the spring and summer I play for a team in Indiana called the Fort Wayne G Major," Andy explained, moving about to keep warm on the practice field.

"Not only does it help me keep focused year round, but I can keep improving on my skills."

Giving his all

With family and fans cheering him on at every game, Andy likes to give it all for the crowd. "My dad usually meets all the games so I can show them to college," Andy gasped while chatting with a visitor on the midway after an intense practice.

"It is also helpful to see where things go wrong during the games."

Already being scouted by colleges, Andy has given thought to where he wants to go.

"Indian University and Eastern University are two of the top soccer schools and have shown some interest," he said, trying not to show his excitement.

"Personally I'd rather go to a school on the East Coast because the soccer atmosphere and education is much better."

A lifetime of soccer?

Making the All-State team this year and the All-Section Three team three years in a row, Andy hopes to pursue soccer after high school and college.

"Being 11th Player of the Year is a freshman and part of the state team this year, I feel that maybe I can go somewhere with soccer," he said with pride.

"Who knows? Maybe someday I can play in major league soccer."
Sunny Gym as it could shine? Stay tuned for details!

Ever since this drawing of an addition to Sunny Gym appeared on the school's annual report last month, the community has been itching for the details. Well, we'll all have to wait. A campaign to finance the new building and renovate the nearly 70-year-old Sunny will be announced formally next month. Designed by Haglow Hartray Danks, Kegan McKay, who designed the Middle School, the new building would extend south toward 59th Street, with the playground area being moved to ground currently occupied by tennis courts. One improvement already is in place. An electric curtain which drops from the ceiling to divide Upper Sunny has been installed, replacing the old dividing doors, which tended to stick.

Far above par

Golfers land in top 10 at State Regional Tourney

Finishing 10th of 25 teams at the Illinois Regional Golf Tournament Oct. 12 at Elk Country Club in Elk Grove Village, the Illinois State University men's golf team hopes to become a Golf Team. "We all played well at Regionals individually," said Senior Michael Hoy, Club member. "Most of the teams had eight members while we only had six, which affected our placing overall." True though we've not considered a team, we dress like a team and play like a team. We hope golf will eventually be recognized as a team sport at ISU and we're happy to be the pioneers of bringing golf into this school.

Regardless of the team's official standing, members are happy just to be playing. "I'm proud of the golf club," said junior David Katz, "because one year ago, we were nonentities and now we are an established club that competes on a regular basis." The Golf Club plans to practice at the South Shore Country Club when the weather gets warmer again.

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Honesty!

Sometimes the truth hurts but helps, too

The school makes noise about its rules and enforcing them. But when it comes time to speak about enforcing them, not a voice is to be heard.

Then truth is stranger than fiction but sometimes at U-High, it's hard to tell the difference. For example, about a month ago, two athletes were suspended from their respective teams for being reported as drinking at parties in late August, as reported by two adults. Which is a violation of the athletic policy which states "Any athlete involved with tobacco, alcohol, or other drugs...will be suspended from their teams."

After being called into Athletic Director Karen Duncan's office and talking to both Ms. Duncan and their respective coaches, both of the athletes confirmed they had been drinking and were suspended for a week, which means they were not allowed to practice with the team or play in any games.

That's the facts. But feeling them out took a lot of time, especially for the Midway.

Two faculty members advised the Midway not to report the incidents at all. But since one suggested the paper state the athletes had violated the athletic code as opposed to saying they had been caught drinking.

"The problem with saying there's a policy then hiding from the fact it's enforced is that people don't take it seriously. As it is now, not many people know there were even suspensions, fewer know what actually happened and even fewer know what the punishments were. Mostly people hear rumors. But with rumors, it's hard to tell truth from fiction. If the school wants people to take the Athletic Code seriously, people need to know what happened and that there were punishments. That's called being honest. And we do all know, honesty is the best policy."

Fall sports banquet to feature buffet, U-High video

A catered buffet dinner will replace the pot luck of recent years at the Fall Sports Banquet, 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4 in the Cafeteria. Tickets will be available from Athletic Director Karen Duncan until Nov. 25 for $8. The evening will include a video of fall sports teams shot by Mrs. Duncan. "I plan to hopefully get a hold of some big screen television to present the video on," she said. Coaching Awards and other honors will be revealed after the buffet. Dinner will begin at 6 p.m. followed by awards.

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