

Savants Marshall, Brodkey receive Merit Scholarships



Photo by Wallace

Frank and Howard discuss plans for \$1,000 scholarships.

Frank Brodkey and Howard Marshall have been named recipients of National Merit \$1000 Scholarships. This scholarship is a one-time, non-renewable award with a single payment of \$1,000 to be paid in the fall term of the 1971-72 academic term toward each's college education.

The path to the scholarship began in February, 1970, when Frank and Howard took the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. The test covers four areas: English usage, mathematics usage, social studies—natural sciences reading comprehension, and word usage. Semifinalists, the highest-scoring students in each state, were then named in September 1970. The number of Semifinalists in each state is proportional to the number of graduating seniors, and one-half of one percent of those seniors were named Semifinalists.

The winners for the National Merit \$1000 Scholarships are chosen by a selection committee comprised of college and school admissions counselors skilled in academic selection. Throughout the nation, approximately 1,000 students win this particular type of scholarship.

Next year Frank is considering enrolling in either Cornell University, or New College. Howard is presently undecided between Cornell University and the California Institute of Technology.

Play debut on Friday

This Friday, May 7, marks the opening for Central's spring play, "Dinny and the Witches." The production will be given in two student matinees on that day and an evening performance on Saturday, May 8.

The play, directed by Mr. Ray Williams, drama teacher, deals with life, centered around the character Dinny. He meets three witches and obtains from them the powers of the universe. With his new-found powers, Dinny finds life harder to live than before.

Throughout the game of life, Dinny must face the seven mortal sins—sloth, envy, gluttony, lust, anger, pride, and avarice. He comes to the conclusion that a person isn't really happy when he gets everything he wants.

Dinny will be portrayed by Mark Sanford. Janet Lipsey, Michele Rothkop, and Elaine Wintroud will portray the three witches. Other cast members include Judy Dunn on Amy, Dinny's girlfriend, Arlene Columbo, Shirley Kipper, and Carol Rogers.

James Carter, Gary Hylan, Don Skradski, Gary Younger, Ben Ziola and James Ziola complete the cast.

"Dinny and the Witches" will be presented as "theater in the round." This marks the second time the Central drama department has presented a play in this manner. Mr. Williams estimates that the Central stage will accommodate about 250 people for each performance, thus making ticket sales limited.

Tickets may be purchased in the bookroom for any performance. The student matinees are 75 cents with an S.A. ticket and \$1.00 without. Evening performance tickets are \$1.25.

Symphony for everyone

Central's radio station, KIOS-FM, recently broadcast a special program about the Omaha Symphony Orchestra. It was entitled "The Omaha Symphony: A Year of Renaissance."

This program consisted of excerpts from the 1970-71 season. It was broadcast last Friday and Saturday. Some of the selections from the one hour show were Beethoven's Seventh Symphony and the Bach Brandenburg Concerto.

Mr. Yuri Krasnopolsky, conductor and music director of the orchestra, and Mr. James Price, station manager, analyzed the music. They also made comments about the rejuvenation of the Omaha Symphony. Mr. Price is a violist in the orchestra. He holds masters degrees in music theory, the viola, and the oboe.

During the program Mr. Krasnopolsky commented on the absence of the youth from the concerts. He said, "There is no reason why teenagers shouldn't come to the concert hall and enjoy the sound of a great symphony orchestra. We shouldn't have to play rock'n'roll concerts for them to get them into the hall."

"The only reason they don't come is not because they're adolescent and have a culture peculiar to their own, they don't come because it's a dull and uninteresting place to go and because they haven't been educated to it. That's been our failure. The educators have lost confidence in their own art, and we've got to restore that confidence."

Mr. Krasnopolsky added that once this problem has been corrected, the youth will attend and the symphony orchestra will be in good shape.

Rips to compete at nationals

Seven Centralites were selected to attend the 1971 Nebraska Student Congress held at Mercy High School on Saturday, April 24.

Participating in the House of Representatives were Howie Buffett, Julie Frank, Bennet Rodick, and Debbie Simon. Jim Lehr, Mike Rips, and Larry Williams spoke in the Senate.

Selected as outstanding senator at the Congress was junior Mike Rips who was chosen for the honor by a vote of the thirty-six delegates in the Senate. He, consequently, wins a trip to the National Student Congress to be held this summer at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California. Mike said he was "very honored about having the opportunity to go to Stanford."

Centralites lead Congress

Senior Julie Frank was elected by the other forty-four participants in the House of Representatives as Speaker of the House and also received an award for outstanding presiding officer. Bennet Rodick was selected as outstanding representative. Debbie Simon and Jim Lehr were runners-up for superior representative and superior senator respectively.

"The entire Central delegation did a superior job in representing the vast views held by

students on current issues facing the nation. It was fantastic that five out of the seven students who went were recognized for their work and ability," said Mrs. Linda Dunn, Central debate coach.

The Congress simulated the operation of the US Congress with discussion and action on various bills and resolutions submitted by the sixteen Nebraska schools attending.

Congress debates controversial bills

Bills presented before the Student Congress involved legalized abortions and marijuana, ending discrimination against women in all phases of employment, restricting combat forces from entering Cambodia, Laos, or Israel, and supplying more grants and research for state jails.

Jury reform, sex education, Israeli withdrawal from occupied territories, and revenue sharing were also issues discussed.

Commenting on the Student Congress, Bennet said, "Congress was an excellent educational experience. It showed myself and everyone else attending how Congress works. The difficulty in passing major legislation is often very frustrating. Now, I think I know how President Nixon feels."

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Cast makes ready for "Dinny and the Witches"

Register staff wins journalism awards

Recently, a number of people on the Register staff attended the University of Nebraska at Omaha journalism department's annual high school newspaper awards presentation.

A film of the 1970 Clio awards (award winning television commercials) was shown first and then a panel of three guest speakers talked on the subject of journalism and their involvement in it. A short question and answer period followed. The speakers were Mick Rood from the Sun Newspaper and Jim Bresette & Peter Citron from the World Herald.

The conference ended with award presentations. Central received one first place and three runner up awards. The first place award went to Brian Davies for the best interview—Senior Mike Rosenbaum and his beard. Runners up were Greg Peck—Best Column division, Hilltopics, Wendy Wallace—Best Sports Photograph division, and Jim Kirshenbaum and Jim Lehr for Best Front Page Layout.

NYC provides potential jobs

If you are looking for a summer job, the Neighborhood Youth Corps may be able to help. NYC was organized to help students from families of the poverty income level to obtain jobs. The program helps students of ages 14-21 to remain in school and improve their financial status.

NYC is supported by a federal grant to the Omaha School System. The program is operated at Central, North, South, Tech, and various junior highs.

The Central NYC counselor is Mr. Anthony Dusatko. His office in room 12E is open on Tuesday from 12-2:30 and on Friday from 2-4.

Mr. Dusatko stated that there are 1,050 job openings available to NYCers this summer. Each NYC applicant is screened, and asked about job preferences. The student's job is arranged in an area that is convenient for him to reach. Help is also available to any NYC student for making out income tax reports.

Any student who meets NYC qualifications, and is seeking a summer job may get an appli-

cation from Mr. Dusatko or the main office.

Two hundred Omaha students have been placed in jobs this year, through NYC. Most of the jobs are in non-profit organizations like the Boys' Clubs and the Y.M.C.A.

Dropouts leave CHS for numerous reasons

The Register has recently made a survey of the number of dropouts of Central students as of March 26. The total number is 215. Out of the 215, there are 18 freshmen, 63 sophomores, 80 juniors, and 54 seniors. At the beginning of the school year Central's enrollment was 2,140: 194 freshmen, 676 sophomores, 653 juniors, and 617 seniors.

There are 15 classifications for students who have withdrawn (with the total number in each division following in parentheses): illness (23), physical disability (1), behavioral problem (5), academic difficulty (3), sent to correctional institution (3), parental decision (5), economic necessity (6), need for employment (16), marriage (9), pregnancy (7), military service (7), dropped at age 16 (75), other known reasons (16), reasons unknown (1), reasons unobtainable (38).

In previous years a shorter classification system was employed. In 1969-70, there were 206 withdrawals: physical disability (12), sent to correctional institution (2), need for employment (31), marriage (6), military service (2), dropped at age 16 (110), reasons known (32), reasons unknown (11).

Draft, lottery determining factors in future plans of graduating boys

Next month will bring the joy of graduation upon the Class of 1971. Graduation—a day that students hold in the back of their minds all through grade school, junior high, and high school. A day that puts graduating seniors face to face with the problems of what to do for their next forty-seven working years.

College might hold the answer for some students. Still others might want to learn a skill or a trade. But if you are a senior boy, going to be nineteen in the year 1971, another factor takes a very important part in your plans for the future. That factor is the draft and the war in Vietnam.

Before the current juniors graduate in June of 1972, several of the senior boys now attending CHS may be somewhere in Southeast Asia fighting in a war. Quite a change of scene in just one year's time. From toting books around the halls of this building—to toting M-1 rifles in a jungle halfway around the world.

In my eighteen year old mind, I shudder when I think of this proposed situation. If

House Resolution 6531 passes the Senate floor in the same manner as it did in the House (a 293-99 margin, April 1, 1971), a relatively low number in the upcoming lottery is all that is needed to make reality out of the situation proposed in the preceding paragraph.

Resolution 6531, now being studied by a Senate committee, contains five main proposals: the draft being extended for two years, a basic pay increase for the four military services, a reduction of manpower by approximately 100,000 as of June 30, and the retainment of laws concerning the status of conscientious objectors and sole surviving sons. The House rejected an amendment to the resolution that would have extended student deferments until the end of the academic year.

If resolution 6531 is passed by the Senate, several thousand graduating high schoolers and college students could be put on the auction block to be raffled off by the draft board to the United States Army.

A few things about this legislation put question marks in my mind about President Nixon's de-escalation tactics. For a war that

was supposedly de-escalating since the Nixon administration took office—the Vietnamese conflict seems to be in his future plans for the next two years since Congress is in the middle of extending the draft (if the Senate passes resolution 6531).

It also puzzles me that the first and second high ranking executives in the government criticize and shun Vietnam War veterans who are currently protesting against the war. War veterans are patriotic people—they served their country in the time of battle. They went to battle, and actually experienced the war. Now they come back to the United States and express their feeling toward the war and are put down by government officials—many of whom the Vietnam War veteran had no part in putting in office.

This brings another question to my mind. If the 293 Representatives who voted for resolution 6531 were graduating high school seniors facing the same situation as thousands of young people today—would they have voted to pass this legislation?

Greg Peck

Letters To The Editor

Students urged to write their senators

Dear Editor,

Students, if you wish to pursue your college education without interruption, you must act now!

Alert your parents, your teachers, your friends.

On April 1, 1971, the U. S. House of Representatives voted 293-99 to abolish all undergraduate draft deferments. Right now, the U. S. Senate is preparing to vote on this important piece of legislation.

Write or wire immediately to your Senators and to as many other Senators as you possibly can, urging them not to abolish college deferments.

Make yourselves heard - your future is at stake.

There is an organization called Parents For Peace, whose goal is to obtain sponsorship by Senators for an alternative that would provide deferments for the non-college student as well.

If interested, please contact:

Parents for Peace
515 East 89th Street
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But it is imperative in any case that you inform your Senators now that you do not want college deferments abolished!

Your Senators are:

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BLANK PEOPLE by BENZIOLA



Marquiss coach of winning team

"I enjoy working with kids and of course I enjoy basketball," said Mr. Marquiss, Central Biology teacher.

Mr. Marquiss is the coach of a YMCA basketball team consisting of fifth and sixth grade boys. His team won first place in the state championship in Lincoln. They also went on to win third place in the National Competition in Denver.

At the Nationals the boys lost their first game and won their consolation game. There are ten boys on the team.

When commenting on the boys' performance Mr. Marquiss said, "The kids are not selfish and they work well together." Mr. Marquiss used to be Central's basketball coach.

He went with the boys to Lincoln. The other coach, Dick Irwin accompanied the boys to Denver.



Photo by Wallace

Marquiss coach of basketball team.

Welch, Nixon, football leading in popularity

Should the United States pull out of Viet Nam immediately? This was one of the questions asked in a survey compiled by students in Mr. Cain's fifth hour English VIII class and first and seventh hour honors English VI classes.

There were 935 persons interviewed, which is approximately 45% of the combined student body and faculty. This is considerably a greater sampling than any of Mr. Gallup's polls.

In the survey, choices were not limited to living people. In the following list the most popular choice and runner up choice are listed in that order under the question.

- Who is the most popular male in the United States?
 - President Richard Nixon
 - John F. Kennedy
- Who is the most popular woman in the United States?
 - Raquel Welch
 - (no contest)
- What is your favorite high school subject?
 - Language Arts (English, speech, drama, radio broadcasting)
 - Mathematics
- What high school subject do you like the least?
 - Language Arts
 - Mathematics
- Who is your favorite male singer?
 - James Taylor
 - Elton John
- Who is your favorite female singer?
 - Janis Joplin
 - Aretha Franklin
- What is your favorite sport?
 - Football
 - Basketball
- Who is your favorite athlete?
 - Joe Namath
 - Lew Alcindor
- Should the United States pull out of Viet Nam immediately?
 - Yes — 433
 - No — 400
 - Undecided — 102
- What is your favorite American Novel?
 - Love Story
 - Gone with the Wind
- What is your favorite poem?
 - "The Raven"
 - (No definite second choice)

Corrections necessary in recent article

Dear Editor,

I would like to make a few things clearer concerning the article written about me in the April 21st edition. It was said that I was "graded by some fifty examiners"; I was misunderstood, I was examined by one examiner, there were, however, around fifty candidates taking the exams in Ontario. I was also misquoted as saying "a person who plans to do anything in the form of a career with her dancing, whether it be to teach or perform, almost has to be rated by the Royal Academy." This is not entirely true. This only applies to people who plan to dance in London and Canadian companies or big R.A.D. companies, or to teachers who intend to teach the Royal Academy syllabus. There are many fine teachers and performers (including here at Central) who have never had any R.A.D. training.

I did receive one grade higher than the stated "Pass" on my intermediate examination. I received "commended."

Kathy Sperling

Proposed Student Assembly unworkable

Dear Editor,

There appears to be quite a bit of excitement over the proposed Student Assembly. Underclassmen should note that the Assembly will be even less effective than the ill-fated Student Council. The Assembly, the work of the pushbutton philosophy and idealistic passion of a few liberals is simply unworkable in this time and place. When you consider that the Assembly Planning Committee took eight months (that's right, eight months!) to write the Assembly Constitution, you realize that a monkey with a giant typewriter could have done better in one night.

Frank Brodkey

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Horace Mann class reunion planned

Friday, May 14 is the date set for a reunion of Omaha high school seniors who attended Horace Mann Jr. High School. The "get together" of an estimated 175 students, will feature speakers Mr. Eugene Skinner, former Horace Mann principal and now director of the Omaha Schools' Human Relations Department, and Mr. Clarence Barbee, the current principal.

Central High senior Peggy Ammons is chairman of a committee that has been planning the event. Other members of the committee include Juanita Butler, Helen Dotson, Steve Franklin, Arthur Foster, Reggie York, Herbie Black, and Owen Williams, all seniors at Central. Peggy, whose committee has

been working on the reunion for almost three months, indicated there has been "a lot of enthusiasm" for the event. The meeting is scheduled to last from 6:30 to 10:30 P.M. Peggy also explained that although the alumni now attend several schools, most go to Central.

The program will begin with skits put on in the auditorium, to "bring back memories." Finally, dinner will be served, with Horace Mann's current ninth grade class acting as hosts.

Peggy remembers her class as having been "tightly knit." She and the others "hope the reunion will become a tradition." All of the teachers of Peggy's old class are planning to attend except one.



Photo by Musselman

Reunion committee members Owen Williams, Herbie Black, Peggy Ammons, Arthur Foster.

CHS table cloth lists graduates

The Central High School PTA has begun a purple "Central High Linen Table Cloth" with the names of Central High graduates embroidered on it.

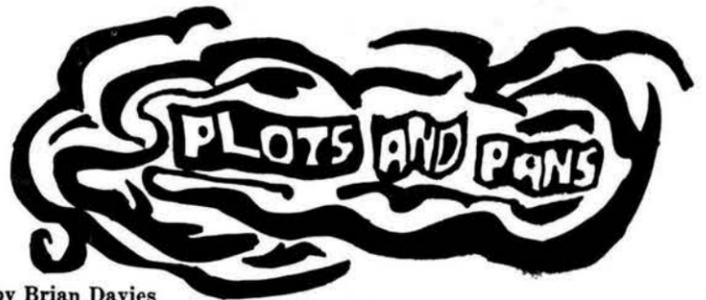
The tablecloth is the original idea of Mrs. Morris Frank according to Mrs. Lee Pennel, who, along with Mrs. William Harrison are co-chairmen of the new project.

Mrs. Pennel stated that response has been very good to the table cloth, although the effort is still limited to friends of the PTA members. Family names are embroidered in purple, with graduates names put directly below in a lighter shade of purple.

Graduating years are placed beside the individuals name. Mrs. C. L. Ballard, another PTA member, is responsible for embroidering the names onto the table cloth. The cost for individuals to have their names placed on the cloth is one dollar for the family name, and fifty cents for names of graduates and graduating years.

Mrs. Pennel said that efforts will be extended in future months and years to get far more names onto the tablecloth. The cloth itself can be seen at Central PTA functions and recently was put on display during Road Show and sophomore night.

The PTA urges all students graduating this year to have their names put on the PTA tablecloth.



by Brian Davies

Lawrence of Arabia

The 1962 film, "Lawrence of Arabia," a liberal but intelligent interpretation of the meteoric career of British military commander, Arabist, and eccentric T. E. Lawrence, has been re-released. "Lawrence" was director David Lean's ("Dr. Zhivago," "Ryan's Daughter") first noteworthy effort in the "epic" film milieu, and it perhaps typifies Lean's work at its best. "Lawrence of Arabia" also introduced the talents of Peter O'Toole and Omar Sharif to American audiences.

"Lawrence of Arabia" (which won an Academy Award for best film of 1962) remains even today one of the most awesomely ambitious and entertaining films ever produced. While it at times suffers from many of the inherent weaknesses of big-budget spectacle films (sheer length, artistic pretentiousness, and over-reliance on scenery) it never ceases to hold the viewer's interest and sympathy. Intelligent, moving, creative and especially entertaining: those qualities are a fitting tribute to any great film.

Peter O'Toole's performance is nothing short of a tour de force, although his unusual interpretation of Lawrence as a brilliant but egomaniacal and often brutal latent homosexual has provoked much controversy. O'Toole's Lawrence is subtle, puzzling, alternately sympathetic and despicable. Throughout, however, O'Toole is in perfect control of his character; while no one knows whether his is an accurate portrayal of this human enigma, no one can deny that O'Toole has created through his acting a full and

believable, complex human being.

Practically every performance in "Lawrence of Arabia" is top form, and the film boasts the talents of Omar Sharif, Anthony Quinn, Anthony Quayle, Alec Guinness, and Jack Hawkins. Lean's hand as director is at once skillful and ingenious, as well: Lawrence's first glimpse of the Suez Canal after a grueling trek across Sinai is the upper deck and smokestacks of a passenger liner above the rise of a tall sand dune, and at the end of the film, Lawrence's car speeds along the road from Damascus to his retirement, when it is overtaken by a British soldier on a motorcycle, foreshadowing Lawrence's own death in a postwar motorcycle accident. Scenery, battle action, desert sandstorms and train ambushes are all stunningly filmed, complimenting in visual vividness the inner complexities of O'Toole's acting and the literateness of the script.

One word of warning, however: "Lawrence of Arabia" isn't exactly deserving of its G rating. Its violence is not merely explicit, but graphic; and the nature of O'Toole's characterization requires a great deal of reflection.

"Lawrence of Arabia" is a great film because it combines intellectual depth with entertainment, thus offering itself as a full work of art: that is, a film of esthetic quality which never ceases to entertain.

New minicourse for next fall will concern English

A three week English minicourse will be offered next fall, November 15-December 3, for interested students in grades 10-12. "It is open to student fields of interest that are not within the present (English) courses as such," commented Mr. Edward Clark, English Department head, on the objectives of the course.

The courses will be scheduled during the student's regular English period or possibly one of his study halls. There will be some sort of "pass-fail" grading system, but nothing has been definitely set. English teachers will teach the classes.

The courses to be offered include field trips to available resource centers, also included will be philosophy "to introduce the student to problems and solutions that have been historical," photography, research techniques, sports, music and poetry, ethnic literature-Afro-American, Irish, and Bible and many other courses.

"The program will revolve around the students own particular inclinations," said Mr. Clark.



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Sports' Quiz

- True or False—Wilt Chamberlain has scored 55 points or more over 70 times in his career.
- Who is the holder of the Nebraska State Basketball Tourney single game scoring record?
 - Kent Reckeway
 - Dwaine Dillard
 - John Mackey
 - Bob Gratopp
- True or False—Nebraska schoolboys have scored 50 or more points in a single game only once.
- Name the Nebraska All-Stater who helped to defeat Central in State Tourney finals. His father was also an All-State cager some 26 years before him.
- Which Nebraska high school had two All-Staters in basketball who currently perform for big-time Nebraska colleges in that sport?
 - Omaha Benson
 - Schuyler
 - Laurel
 - Lincoln Northeast
- Who led the Baltimore Bullets in freethrow percentage this past season?
 - Earl Monroe
 - Kevin Lochery
 - Jack Marin
 - Wes Unseld
- Who was MVP of the NBA All-Star game this past year?
 - Lew Alcindor
 - Earl Monroe
 - Walt Frazier
 - Len Wilkens
- Former 7' Creighton cager Nate Stephens will play for what college next fall?
 - Nebraska U.
 - UN-O
 - Long Beach State
 - San Diego State
- Name the six NBA stars who currently have commercials being shown on television.
- Who were the Nebraska and Creighton cagers who wound up in the top ten of major college statistic categories?
- Match these mascot names with their proper school.

Elkhorn	Bearcats
Kearney	Huskies
Northwest High	Antlers
- Which man was Lew Alcindor's high school coach?
 - Al McGuire
 - Jack Donahue
 - Frank McGuire
 - Jack McMahon

Answers: 1) True 2) d 3) False 4) Mark Langer, Creighton Prep 5) b 6) c 7) d 8) d 9) Tom and Dick VanArsdale, Willis Reed, Jerry Lucas, Billy Cunningham, Oscar Robertson 10) Chuck Jura, Nebraska—field goal percentage, Mike Caruso, Creighton—free throw percentage 11) Elkhorn Antlers, Kearney Bearcats, Northwest High Huskies 12) b

All-American to sign letter today

Central's All-Metro, All-State lineman, Jerry Lloyd has recently been named to a high school All-American team by Scouting Systems of America. This organization is a group of college and professional football scouts who compile who they think has qualified for the All-American label.

Lloyd, a versatile performer at five different positions for Central this past fall, will receive a plaque from the scouting system which has its offices in Boston, Massachusetts. A plaque will be kept in the systems' Boston offices, and one will be sent to a football museum somewhere in the East to commemorate the prestigious occasion for Lloyd.

Twenty-two players were recognized as All-Americans by this organization. "It was a great honor to receive such an award," said Lloyd.

February 5 of this year Jerry signed a Big 8 letter of intent to attend Nebraska, and today is the day that he is eligible

to sign his national letter of intent. If he signs the letter with Nebraska, it will limit his choice of colleges to the

Lincoln campus only. Jerry said that he would like to play linebacker for Nebraska, but will play wherever they put him.



Photo by Musselman

Jerry signing the Big 8 letter of intent on February 5 with Nebraska coach Cletus Fischer and Mr. Lloyd looking on. This scene will hopefully be reenacted today.

Taylor, Timberlake to lead girl runners in meet

The Girl's Track and Field Play Day will be held May 20 at Bergquist Stadium. Approximately forty girls of all age groups have signed up to participate in the eight different events. The girls, coached by Mrs. Joanne Dusatko, practice every night after school at Central.

The field events for the girls include the low hurdles, running long jump, high jump, and shot put. The track events are 100 yard dash, 220 yard dash, 440 yard dash, and the main event, 440 yard relay.

The girls enter under their own age requirements. Two real standouts on the team, according to Mrs. Dusatko, are Jackie Taylor, senior, who is on high jump, runs the 100 yd. dash, and the relay. Also Murrayetta Timberlake, senior, who runs the 100 yd. dash.

The Metro Tournament for the Girl's tennis team, coached by Miss Joyce Morris, will be held May 12 at the Dewey courts.

The team now has a record of four wins and one loss. The girls usually practice every

night that there isn't a match. The six starters are Tina Krolkowski, Donna Mosiman, Vicki Pedersen, Carol Kasper, Cindy Haman, Stephanie Kutler.

Central's division, Nationals, include A.L., Benson, Bryan, and South. Within the division, playoffs will determine the two highest scoring singles and doubles team. This will then qualify them for the Metro Tournament against the American division.

By next year it is hoped that tennis won't be the only sport in which girls can compete against other schools. In the fall, gymnastics and golf; winter, swimming and volley ball; and spring, track and tennis.

Mann leads state in 180 low hurdle event

Doug Mann used the Burke High Invitational Track Meet as a stepping-stone to attain the leadership on the Top Ten Chart in the 180 low hurdles, and was placed right in the middle of the state-leading high hurdles.

With Jerry Bull prohibited from running at Burke because he had competed in a dual meet on Wednesday (a two day rest between meets is required by the NHSAA), it was all Mann and Howard Beachem of Tech in the highs. Both turned in

outstanding performances with the Techster (14.5) edging Mann (14.6).

In the lows it was all Mann as the Central senior outran his peers and registered a 19.8, the state's leading time in that event.

The enjoyment of early-season success was not apparent at the Bellevue Invitation last Friday. The Eagle cindermen managed only eight points in that meet. Mann accounted for points in the high hurdles (second place, 14.7) and low hurdles (third place, 20.4) and the 880 relay team captured a fifth spot.

Injury-plagued sophomore, Frank Hawkins, out with the flu in the UN-O Invite earlier this season, suffered a broken bone in his foot as he slipped digging in at the beginning of his relay leg in the Dutch White Relays. Not realizing the extent of his injury at the time, he finished his relay stint on the crippled appendage. He will be out for the remainder of the season.

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JV nine holds clean record

The Junior Varsity baseball team is currently leading its division with a 4-0 record. In 2-1 and 2-0 victories over Benson and A.L. respectively, the team committed no errors.

"This team is defensively solid," remarked J.V. Coach Bob Olander.

The squad has also had good hitting so far with a combined batting average of .309. Mark Sowatski and Rick Anderson

have been batting at a .500 clip.

"The team has had fine pitching up to this stage of the season," observed Coach Olander. Tony Vacanti has a 4-0 record, and John Lawson has been doing fine relief work.

Coach Olander commented that a few players may move up to Varsity this year. He holds no grudge, however, since he noted that the J.V. is, in truth, training for the Varsity.

Station KIOS receives grant

Central High's radio station, KIOS-FM, recently received a project grant of \$7,000. This grant was funded by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, which is a national organization of non-profit stations.

The proposals outlined in the grant call for:

- The exclusive right to tape and broadcast eight 2½

hour programs of the Omaha Symphony Orchestra, with full approval of the Omaha Symphony Association and the Omaha Musicians Union.

2. The purchasing of a stereo tape recorder for use taping the Symphony and other programs.

3. The hiring of a new public affairs and promotions director.

Miss Land Baker, promotions director of KIOS commented, "The point of the grant is to increase the station's programming for the benefit of the public by keeping them informed on local affairs."

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Photos tell Smagacz's history on 332 wall

For the past 13 years, Mr. Frank Smagacz, math teacher, has been collecting pictures of Centralites outstanding in the field of sports.

These pictures are on display in room 332, and cover an area of 30 sq. ft.

"I would guess that there are more than 2,400 athletes pictured on that wall," Mr. Smagacz said.

Mr. Smagacz has coached five state track championship teams in ten years, a state football championship team, and was named Coach of the Year by the World Herald in 1960. He has pictures of all of these events.

Mr. Smagacz said he has collected pictures from the Register, O-Book, and World Herald.

"I keep them as a remembrance. I like to have them when kids come back to see me."

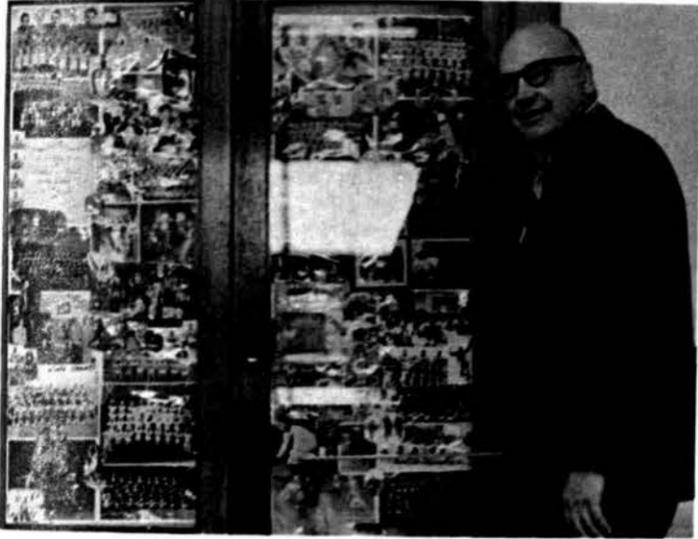


Photo by Wallace

Smagacz and sports packed wall.

Golf squad wins at Fremont; 3-1 in dual matches

The Central High golfers had their glory early last week as they walked away from the field in the prestigious Fremont Invitational with the championship trophy on Tuesday, and then finished a disappointing fourth in the Metro Meet held last Friday at the Benson Golf Course.

Jim Bartak, an Eagle veteran, shot a 76 on the Fremont Golf Club course as he took the medalist honors. Bob Swahn, another vet, shot an 81 to place sixth. Dave Olsen, a junior, rounded out the lowest team score of 240 with an 83.

This tourney puts a feather in the hat of Central's coach Mr. Warren Marquiss. Only the supposedly-best teams are invited to play. "Everybody thought that Westside would walk away with it (the team championship), but we showed them that we were contenders," said Bartak.

The duffers hold a 3-1 record in dual meets. The lone loss came at the hands of Prep. Bartak has taken medalist honors in the Prep, Boys Town, and South meets as well as at Fremont while Howie Cohn shot the lowest score against Benson.

Swahn finished fourth at the Metro meet while Bartak was ninth and Dave Olsen was thirteenth.



Athletes unaware of financial aspects of sports

The financial aspect of high school athletics is something that I knew or cared very little about. For the past four years, I have been on the other end of high school sports. During the past four years, I have been issued basketball gear (practice jersey, gym shorts, sweat socks, shoes, game uniforms, facilities, etc.) and was not aware nor did I really care who footed the bill.

I inquired about the financial aspect of high school athletics, and Mr. Jones, CHS Activities Director, gave me all of the money-plagued details.

A good majority of the revenue spent on Central's athletic program comes from the gates (attendance) at basketball and football games. Currently wrestling is also a revenue earning sport, but only of little importance. Out of the ten sports competed intermurally at Central, a mere three take in money at the gates.

sport	money earned from attendance
football	\$9,026.46
basketball	\$4,510.00
wrestling	\$ 28.00

These figures were taken from statistics compiled in the 1969-70 school year, but should be very close to this year's stats also.

Expense statistics give Jones headaches

And now for some more statistics—ones that could probably give Mr. Jones a few headaches. These next figures represent the expenses of each individual sport. Notice—only three sports take in money—but all ten have expenses.

sport	expenses
football	\$10,716.79
basketball	\$ 4,962.67
track and cross country	\$ 1,141.37
baseball	\$ 1,077.63
wrestling	\$ 828.63
swimming	\$ 651.13
golf	\$ 480.00
gymnastics	\$ 158.10
tennis	\$ 112.26

Again, these are 1969-70 statistics, but they should be close to this year's figures.

Jones versus the board

Mr. Jones, who became athletic director in the 1968-69 school year, succeeded Mr. Cliff Dale, now Assistant Superintendent of General Administration for the Omaha School District. Replying to the question of whether the Board of Education has any particular influence upon our athletic budget, Mr. Jones had this to say, "I have a running battle with the board." They do not appropriate money for our athletic program although he did say, "We didn't have to pay for the busing of our football team this year because all of the other Omaha Public Schools have close at hand practice space, so this year the board footed our \$1,800 bus bill."

Do away with schoolboy sports—if moved to daytime

An area of high school athletics that has come into recent discussion the last couple of years has been the subject of moving high school athletic contests to daytime. Mr. Jones had a definite stand on this matter, "When it gets to the point where we have to play in the daytime or behind locked doors, then all educational value of high school athletics is lost, and they should be done away with."

Many schoolboy sports events are being contested behind locked doors, without crowds, and in the daylight hours. Participants in sports are taken unsuspectedly out of classes, are shipped to an unknown arena, and are forced to play under these adverse and awkward situations.

Girls sports approved

Monday, April 26, the way was cleared for girls competition in track, tennis, swimming, gymnastics and golf in the Metro Conference. The Metro Board of Directors approved unanimously the recommendations of a committee set up to study girls athletics in the conference. The girls seasons are to be relatively short and are not to conflict with boys seasons in the same sport. How was the decision accepted by Mr. Jones? He said, "If there is an educational value for boys athletics, there must be one for girls—so how can you refuse girls athletics."

Slosburg, Rips like soccer

Plans for forming a soccer team at Central are being made by Dan Slosburg and Mike Rips. They brought the idea to Dr. Moller and found out there are many problems to overcome. The team is in need of a sponsor and a playing field.

The team needs a sponsor to support them because the Board of Education doesn't have funds for soccer.

"Since Central High has no facilities for practicing, we had to look elsewhere for a playing field. Hopefully for the fall league, Elmwood Park can be used," said Dan Slosburg. By next fall the team hopes to have funds available by a sponsor or by the Board of Education. The schedule will be worked up for next Fall with other school soccer teams in the Omaha area. The team will play their games after school. There have been two meetings to see how many people are interested and to hear their ideas. About 15 boys showed up at the meetings.

Spirit Spotlight

By Nancy Rumbolz

JoAnn Tsuji, junior, was chosen Spirit Girl of the Year by a vote of the Pep Club. She was selected out of six spirit girls, chosen bi-weekly throughout the year. JoAnn will receive a plaque at the next pep club meeting, Wednesday, May 5.

Prom was held Friday, April 30. The candidates representing Pep Club were: Kathy Borchman, Linda Parker, Sherry Halverson, Joanie Mitchell, Arlene Columbo, Jean Tyler.

The new Eaglettes were announced Wednesday, April 28, after three tense days of tryouts. They are: Jane Andrews, Marcia Beck, Kim Bell, Katie Bigley, Loree Brown, Jeana Bryant, Mindi Cooper, Denise Donaldson, Patti Gedney, Kristie Horn, Jennie Hunter, Carol Jirak, Marcia Johnson, Nancy Johnson, Judy Koperski, Luann Kucirek, Peggy Kunes, Lynn Mago, Kris Menke, Julie Moore-

head, Susi Peterson and Marianne Wieszorik.

Tryouts for the Reserve cheerleading squad were held Saturday, April 24. The new members include: Karen Anderson, Norris; Sue Boyd, Norris; Lisa Danberg, Lewis & Clark; Jeannie Everson, Norris; Emerald Middleton, Central; Juanita Orduna, Lewis & Clark; Vicki Perry, Central; and Kim Gladson, Norris.

Coach Schmad's Comments B-ballers lose close games

"What can you say?" my wife asked when she heard I was to write another column about our season. Actually, I've been saying many things to myself recently, as our team has managed to win only one of ten games. With high school ball, however, I'm firmly convinced that you can have all the hitters you want and will not win many games unless you have a strikeout pitcher. In my eyes, this has been our major problem. The pitchers we have have done a creditable job, but just are not the "stopper" kind of pitchers which are needed. Therefore, to win games we have to play flawless in the field and come up with some key hits and this we also have not done.

We have managed to put some fairly decent games together against Prep, Lincoln High, T.J., and Burke. We have not, however, been able to come up with the big defensive play or clutch hit.

Our last game against T.J. was very typical of our season. We lost 7-6 in 9 innings after having a 6-2 lead as late as the 5th inning. This is when a big hard throwing pitcher would come in handy. As it turned out, T.J. tied the score and brought in their "ace" to pitch. Of the last twelve men he faced, I think he struck out ten.

So the season is coming to an end. Even though our won-loss record does not show it, I think our team has improved. Monday, May 10, we begin a "new" season with our district tournament game with Prep. I know we can upset them if we put our minds to it and get our heads up. We'd appreciate your support.

Girls drill unit new to Central

Central's first Girls Drill Team was organized three months ago according to Sgt. Middleton, ROTC instructor.

Emerald Middleton leads the team of 12 girls consisting of freshmen, sophomores, and juniors.

The idea for a Girls Drill Team came to the girls after watching the ROTC drill meets. Middleton, the sponsor, said that the Girl's Drill Team is not associated with ROTC.

The girls are now getting co-ordinated with their drill movements at their weekly meetings. They do not use weapons.

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Copeland, Blank perform on T.V.

This year two Central seniors have become television personalities. Dena Copeland, with her dramatic ability, and Barb Blank, with her musical talent, have performed several times on television programs.

Dena has done interpretative poetry readings for the Channel Three program *Black on Black*, a program that features poetry readings, dances, and various youth activities.

Dena got the chance to perform on the program when her mother's employer, the director of the program, wanted to know of someone who could do poetry readings. Dena's mother mentioned that her daughter did dramatic readings, and Dena was asked to try out. Dena did a poetry reading, "Christmas in the Ghetto", and is now a regular on the show.

"I enjoy doing interpretative reading," Dena commented. "It's a challenge to me. If I can communicate to other people so that they feel the mood I feel, then I believe I've achieved something."

Dena said that a large audience doesn't bother her. "I can perform in front of strangers, but sometimes I can't do it in front of my friends," she laughed.

Dena enjoys "being a different person" by playing many roles. She participated in *Uncle Tom's Revolution* and is currently a member of the National Thespian Society and the National Forensic Society. Last year she and Sonja Williams took first place in duet acting at a city tournament.

Barb Blank also has had a TV career. Barb has played guitar on several programs for UNO Channel 26 Educational TV.

Barb played guitar with April Lowder and Dave Boehr for a program that taught songs to grade school children. She did several tapes with the group, as well as one by herself for this program.

Barb also played guitar for a demonstration tape for a commercial, and has played maracas for a record a friend made to submit his songs to a recording company.

She has been playing the guitar for two years. "I taught myself how to play," Barb explained. "But I don't have time to learn to play it well enough."

"My guitar is a form of communication," Barb said. "I've met a lot of people that way—just by playing."

Barb has played at many religious activities, including a 45 minute special on Soviet Jewry and at various rallies for Soviet Jewry.

Although active in Swing Choir and Traveling Troupe, "I play for myself," Barb said. "But when it makes other people happy I feel good too."

Pollution, health prompt cyclists

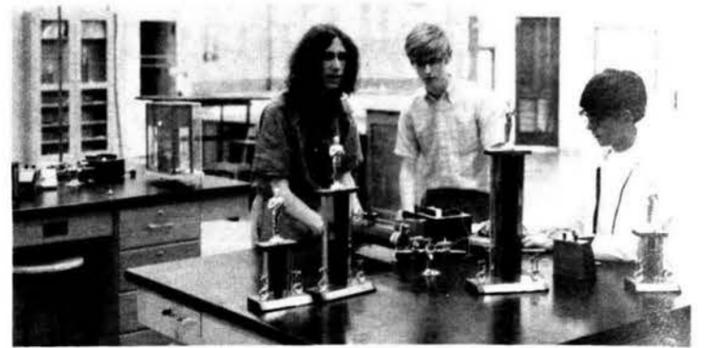
The coming of spring has increased the use of bicycles as a means of transportation and pleasure among Central students.

There are several reasons for the rise in the popularity of the bike. One of the reasons most frequently given is that bicycles do not pollute the air. Bicycle riders also save on bus fare, gasoline money, and parking fees.

The exercise provided by the bicycle is beneficial to the rider in more than one way. As well as toning leg muscles, it helps one's breathing and strengthens the heart. Many students ride to get in shape for sports. "I ride a bike because it builds you up physically and mentally," reports junior Lon Canady.

Love of nature is another reason many Central students ride bicycles. They take back street routes for safety reasons and thus grow closer to nature as an additional benefit. Senior Gary Abrams says, "You feel free on a bicycle."

The large number of students who ride their bicycles to school has, however, created a parking problem. Students have been locking their bikes by the fence in the west parking lot, and space has become very limited there. As the popularity of the bicycle grows, it would be a good idea to investigate the possibility of having bicycle racks for Central students.



Physics students win honors

Photo by Wolff

Field Day victors are left to right: Frank Brodkey, Tom Weaver, and Chuck Simmons.

Two teams of Central High students captured first and second place in the second annual Creighton University Physics Field Day last Saturday. The members of the first team included: Chuck Simmons, Jim Steinberg, Larry Denenberg, Bridget Dzedziec, and Doug Himburger. Members of the second team were: Frank Brodkey, Dale Mann, Tom Weaver, Bart Lambert, and John Baker.

Chuck placed first in the Chalk Talk competition. His winning final topic discussed the problems of nuclear power plants and their effects on ecology. Frank and Tom took first place honors in the Mad Hatter Marathon.

The day was sponsored by the Society of Physics Students at Creighton University.

Thirteen teams from two states participated in the competition.

Seniors show Prom apathy

Central High Prom: 1971: An "almost" complete failure.

Student Council lost over \$300, only 83 couples were in attendance, no one who was to receive awards for the Baby Picture Contest was present, etc., etc.

But, to the majority of those who attended Prom, it was worth four dollars. Everyone seemed to be having a good time.

Sherry Halverson and Doug Mann were announced this year's Prom royalty.

The princess, Jean Tyler and Arlene Columbo, each received a long-stemmed yellow rose. The princes were Bill Champenoy and Dale Anderson.

The possibility of a Prom for next year is doubtful. This is due mainly to two reasons: 1) The Council couldn't afford it, and 2) The turnout at this year's Prom made Student Council and all of Central, more aware of the lack of participation and spirit of Central students.

Bailey to perform in Studio Theater

The Omaha Playhouse Studio Theater will present "30-Living Scrapbook of a Decade" on May 7th through 9th and May 11-16. Included in the cast for the show is Central High sophomore, Wes Bailey.

Wes is the youngest member of the cast as well as the only high school student. The show, which is Wes's first Playhouse production, is a review of the 1930's.

The play, written by Omaha's Ozzie Nogg and George Heiring, includes songs from the hit parade of the 30's and inserts from such radio programs as Superman and Buck Rogers. It

also includes such incidents as the Hindenberg disaster and re-productions of the comic strip "Orphan Annie."

Wes feels that acting at the Playhouse "has proven very educational." He said, "I have learned much about history as well as theater techniques."

Wes has appeared in the productions "Annie Get Your Gun," and "Arsenic and Old Lace." at Central, as well as "The Music Man" and several junior theater productions. He is a member of A Cappella choir and would like to get into theater work after graduation from Central.

'I Am Black' published

Central sophomore Paula Saunders will receive local and national recognition for a poem she has written. Paula's poem titled "I AM BLACK", will be published in the Totem (the local highschool magazine) and also nationally in "Skylines".

"I AM BLACK", deals with a racial situation. When asked what inspired her to write the poem Paula replied, "I wrote the poem as a reaction to a racial incident in which I was involved." Paula added, "although the poem has a racial topic, it's meaning can be applied by any person to any situation."

Paula has two other poems which will appear in the Totem along with "I AM BLACK". Upon being informed that the "Skylines" planned to publish one of her poems, Paula recalls being pleased. "But later I was disappointed because I feel that the judges exploited my poem for its content, rather than accepting it for its literary value."

Paula also feels, "that it might be a good thing that the poem will be published because perhaps people will read it and apply the meaning to their lives."

Paula doesn't plan to pursue a career in writing "Writing is an kind of escape for me, one in which I find solitude and pleasure."

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