

## Of Central Importance

### Central's curriculum adds combined language course

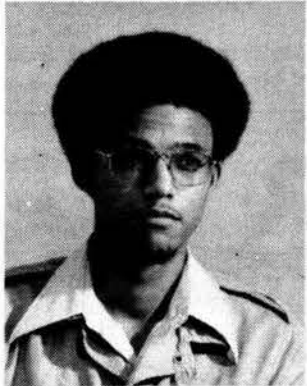
Introduction to Foreign Language is a new one semester course at Central this year. The students enrolled get a sample of French, German, Latin, and Spanish. They study one language for 23 days, and then they switch to a different one. Mrs. Donna Curtis (French), Mrs. Gretchen Schutte (German), Miss Rita Ryan (Latin), and Mrs. Vickie Anderson (Spanish) are teaching the course.

Miss Ruth Pilling, foreign language department head, says the purpose of the course is "to let the student get the beginning sounds of a language and see if he'd like to take it." Some of the students enrolled have taken one language before a year or more.

In addition to learning the beginning sounds of the language, the students study the history of the language and the culture of the country where the language originated. Mrs. Anderson's Spanish class has no texts, and they learn simple things like numbers, colors, and how to say hello. Students in Latin study the history of Rome and Greece. Mrs. Schutte's class studies the German-speaking countries and make maps of them.

### Cunningham's test scores allow possibility for grant

Senior Ricky Cunningham was recently named a semi-finalist in the National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro students. His score from the PSAT tests taken as a junior allow him to qualify as a finalist.



**Outstanding Black student anticipates scholarship.**

If he does get the scholarship, based on the SAT scores taken in November, he may either have a one year nonrenewable scholarship of \$4000, or he may have a four year scholarship of \$250 to \$1500, renewable each year.

He must qualify his SAT scores with his PSAT scores to win the scholarship.

### Obal outstanding achiever

Mary Obal, Central High senior, was selected as "the outstanding achiever" at a national debate workshop held last summer at UNO. According to Mrs. Linda Dunn, Central debate coach, "the outstanding achiever" is chosen by a vote of students and faculty attending the workshop. Mary was chosen on the basis of her research skills and proficiency in speaking.

"The purpose of the workshop," said Mrs. Dunn "is for competitive high school speech students to get experience in speaking before the debate and speech seasons begin."

Other participants in the workshop from Central were Davida Alperin, Bob Tracy, and Howie Buffett.

### Marching band, Eaglettes in Columbus Day Parade

Saturday morning, October 7, the Central High Marching Band and Eaglettes participated in the Columbus Day Parade. The parade consisting of several bands, floats, horses, and cars with candidates for political office advanced through the main downtown area with the starting and ending point at 14th and Jones. The procession marched past a reviewing stand of officials including the mayor.

Headed by Ron Handke and Debra Harris, drum major and drum majorette, the band played "Everything's Coming Up Roses" and of course, the school song.

### Students vote for royalty

The crowning of homecoming royalty, Gail Glover and Rick Elliott, climaxed a week of homecoming festivities for 1972.

Between 150 and 170 couples attended the event, held at the Prom-Town House. Pep Club, who sponsored homecoming, lost approximately \$100, due to the increase in band and ballroom costs.

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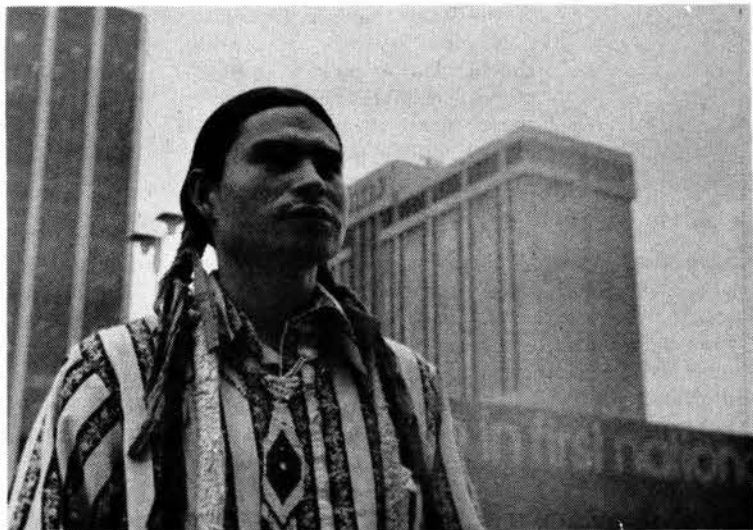
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## Standingcloud to be medicine man

"In Indian wisdom, people are judged by what they are, not by what they have," said Leroy Standingcloud, a new member of the Central student body. Leroy is a Sioux Indian from Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota. He came to Central to continue his education. He is also studying under a Sioux medicine man living in Omaha. He wants to become a spiritual healer for his people.

Six years of studying and working with Crazy Eagle, the medicine man, is a part of the novice period. Leroy is completing his second year of the studying. There are certain phases that he must pass through each year of his studies. The first of all rituals is the Sun Dance, where Leroy fasts and prays to the Great Spirit for two days. He then is put through the painful ceremony of eagle claws clamped to his chest, extending from a tree by a rope. He dances and prays around the tree approximately eight to twelve hours during this ritual. The third ceremony is the sweat bath. He builds an enclosed dome-like tepee that is made of wood and furs or cloaks. He smokes the sacred peace-pipe after he places a hot stone in the center of the tent. While sitting within the tepee, he pours water over the hot stone to cause a warm vapor to



Standingcloud comes to city to study native tradition.

form. He prays while the vapor cleanses his soul.

Visits to the sick are often for Leroy and Crazy Eagle. They go to homes and hospitals to pray and bless the afflicted Indians. Eagle oil is used in the blessing, while a feather is fanned over the sick. Everyone present for the ceremony smokes the sacred peace-pipe so that the Great Spirit will bring good health to each person.

Leroy is an active member of various Indian organizations. "I want to help my people unite," he stated. He seeks to rescue fellow Indians from being victims of injustice and discrimination, in an active, non-violent manner. At the age of twenty, Leroy is General Secretary of

The United Indian Nation Unities, and President of The Indian Student's Nation Unity, which consists of 130 members. These organizations are located in his homeland of Todd County, in Mission, South Dakota. He holds similar meetings at his residence in Omaha, The United Nation American Church, where he is Discipline Counselor. Anyone who is interested in the Indian affairs is welcome to attend. There are discussions on the Indian culture and problems, and teaching of his native language.

Besides being a leader, Standingcloud is interested in writing poetry and songs. In his free time, he plays the guitar and drums in an Indian band.

## Vietnamese orphan new member of Collins family

If you think you have a communication gap in your family it's probably minimal compared to the one in the home of Mr. Mike Collins, Central English teacher. Mr. Collins and his wife Ruth recently adopted a four year old Vietnamese boy.

"The boy speaks only Vietnamese, and we communicate by pointing and motioning. He seems to understand us most of the time, but we don't always understand what he's saying," said Mr. Collins.

Mr. Collins stated that the boy seemed to be adjusting himself to his new environment, and that he got along quite well with Casey, the Collins' two year old daughter. When asked what he and his wife named the child Collins said, "We named him Nathan Anthony," and then added, "Nathan in Hebrew means gift."

The Collins' became interested in adopting a Vietnamese child after reading an article in the World Herald about Harold Conroy. Mr. Conroy has a son who was stationed in Vietnam. When his son, Jerry returned home, he suggested that his parents adopt a child from the Tam Bihn orphanage in Cam Ranh Bay, which is located in the northeast coast of Vietnam.

After contacting Mrs. Conroy, Mr. Collins found a lawyer in Saigon who would handle the necessary adoption papers. Many forms had to be filled out in regard to the Collins' financial, social, religious, and moral position. Also the Douglas County Welfare Department conducted an investigation of their home to see if they would be capable of handling a Vietnamese child. The papers were then sent to Saigon.

"We were also refused permission to adopt a child," said Collins. Premier Theu of North Vietnam must give his consent to all children taken out of the country for adoption. The necessary qualifications are very rigid, and the Collins' had three marks against them: they're under 30, they've been married less than ten years, and they have one child of their own. However, on August 16, the anxious couple finally met their new son in person.

There were also other couples awaiting the arrival of the Vietnamese orphans from the Tan Bihn orphanage. According to Mr. Collins, the children were in poor physical condition.

When asked what other problems he had Collins replied, "There are times when Nathan is so inscrutable that it is frustrating. But that doesn't mean we love him any less."



Mr. and Mrs. Mike Collins and their "gift" Nathan Anthony.

## Opinion Forum

### Student suggests movie rating changes; 'finest movies out of reach for students'

The discrepancy between the X's, G's, R's, and the PG's has been envired by a complete mass of absurdity. No longer does the little letter assigned to a motion picture, or should I say the motion picture assigned to the letter, have any validity.

A new system of rating should be employed. Movie raters should be randomly chosen from the public to rate movies with a review board to determine if the movie received a valid and consistent mark.

Certain movies should be chosen as classic examples of a particular rating. The ratings should serve as guidelines to the public and contain a minimum of restrictions on who can see the motion picture. R rated movies should be able to be seen by anyone over 15.

At present many of the finest movies are out of reach of the typical high school student. The time for reform is now.

Jim Firnhaber

### Student activities necessary to education

Education is a constant process which requires the initiative of every individual; it does not occur solely within the schools. The success of our education depends on whether or not we practice and share all that we have learned.

It is everyone's responsibility to become aware and to become involved. To understand is to require that the mind be open and receptive to other minds even when the book is closed, the class is over. There can be no understanding without interaction among individuals. Involvement is the only way to accomplish that interaction.

Intramurals, youth groups,

politics all provide ways of meeting people, exchanging ideas, and continuing the learning process.

As students, it is easy to combine education experience and humanitarian service. One can work with underprivileged children, furnish tutoring, and take part in mental health projects. Work with the aged, young, or disadvantaged offers students a chance to help as well as to learn.

Everyone is looking for something to believe in or belong to. The options are open. The choice is yours.

Paula Saunders

### Clubs elect officers, plan year

#### Junior Classical League

Joan Jelinek and Peggy Dalgas are the newly elected Senior Consuls of the Junior Classical League. Other officers are: Junior Consuls, Jane Garver and Julie Denton; Secretary, Lisa Danberg; Treasurer, Bob Tracy; Historian, Janice Stober; Sergeant-At-Arms, Becky West. The club is presently planning their October 23 Halloween party.

#### Parlez-vous francais?

The 1972-73 French club officers were elected at an October 3 meeting. The final tally was: President, Nini Bemont; Vice President, B. J. Koperski; Treasurer, Paula Saunders; Secretary, Bunny Shafer; Sergeant-At-Arms, Allison Stanley. Future events for the club members include a French cuisine party, French movies, and various speakers.

#### German Club

On Tuesday, October 3, John Niemeyer was elected President of German Club. Other officers are Vice President, Matt Aden; Secretary, Joyce Swanson; Treasurer, LuAnn Wentworth; Sergeant-At-Arms, Mike Laier.

Former Central student Chuck John was the guest speaker. He spoke on the value of taking a foreign language in high school through college. Plans for the year were discussed.

### Fotopoulos cites contrast between Athens, Omaha

Maria Fotopoulos left her homeland in Athens, Greece two years ago. She is now starting her freshman year at Central.

There are big differences between the young people in Greece and America according to Maria. She says, "There are no hippies in Greece. No Greek boy has long hair. If he does, the police will catch him and cut his hair. In school all the boys wear the same hat that displays the school colors and has the school emblem on it. The girls wear blue robes with white collars. They can't wear pants.

Maria mentioned some things that she didn't like about Omaha. "I do not like downtown." It just has new buildings and old bars, and it's not clean. In Athens the streets are very clean. If you drop some paper the police will punish you for littering. Greece has many beautiful parks and museums."

## BEAT THE BOREDOM

by Kristin Menke

Well, here I am again with another week's worth of entertainment for fun-loving Centralites.

For starters, Joslyn is showing a series of "oldie but goodie" films every Sunday afternoon at 2:00. Admission is one dollar. Be sure not to miss *The Ziegfeld Follies* on the 15th and while you're there, don't forget to catch the Calder exhibit of mobiles and stables showing now through the 22nd.

Time is showing out for you to make your scenic trip up the Missouri before it freezes over for the winter. The River Belle Excursion boat makes hourly trips every Saturday and Sunday through October. Call 393-8044.

For spirited spectators, those ever-lovin' Eagles continue to out-serve, out-swim, out-tackle, and outrun the competition (or at least most of it!) around the city.

Have you ever wondered how on earth a potato chip is made? The Kitty Clover plant offers free factory tours just so you can find out. Get a group together and call Mary White 342-7342 for arrangements.

My movie pick this week is *Slaughterhouse-Five*. A unique theme, well illustrated, this is Vonnegut's best yet. My book pick (I know you've finished the last one!) is 1984. What this book predicted for '84 is frighteningly believable in '72. An album to listen to is Led Zeppelin's untitled fourth L.P. "Stairway to Heaven" and "Blackdog" show Zeppelin's usual heavy sound with certain refinements.

Now for all you health food enthusiasts, (or if you just like food in general) quit buying and start baking! Here's a herbal recipe to start you on the road to great health cuisine. You begin with the free potato chips you got from your Kitty Clover tour.

Spread a 4 oz. package of potato chips on a cookie sheet, sprinkle with one-half cup grated American cheese, sprinkle lightly with thyme, basil, and marjoram. Bake at 350 degrees for 4 minutes. For a real health food delicacy, substitute macrobiotic flakes for the potato chips.

On that savory note, I'll leave you until next issue. Meanwhile, hope you all get out and beat the boredom.



Spices, cheese, macrobiotic flakes make tasty, healthy witches brew

### Art teacher displays work

Nineteen prints and collages, by Central art teacher Miss Zenaide Luhr, are currently on display at Northwest High School. Though she frequently enters various shows, this is the first time Miss Luhr has been asked to exhibit her art work in a high school.

"And Stretching Over Sado Isle, the Galaxy" is one of the prints Miss Luhr has on display. She said her print "reminds me of Japan." The print is made from three separate blocks put together to make a unified whole. One block, in the shape of an arc of a circle, is used to make a series of trees on the island. The other two blocks represent the galaxy and water or land.

Miss Luhr's works can be seen at Northwest through Oct. 27 from 8 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. week days.

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# the benchwarmer

by Steve Rosen



Well, Central dropped two in a row over the past two weekends, but Central fans shouldn't be ashamed, as the team played tenth rated North and top rated Bellevue. In fact, Central could have pulled off a major upset in defeating the No. 1 ranked team. If you take away the two cheap touchdowns scored by the Chieftains on long passes, the score could have been 14-8. Credit Central for two gift scores.

Of course, now that the game has already been played, it is much easier to be skeptical on what the outcome could have been. All in all, Central fans should be proud of their teams performance against the powerful Chieftains, for Bellevue certainly knew they were in a football game.

### Pigskin Preview

Things aren't going to get easier for Central during the next few weeks. So now, let's take a look at the peerless benchwarmer's predictions. Remember, all point spreads are as reported by this writer.

**Central vs. Tech.** Tech was totally destroyed by South last week, and should be hurting. On the other hand, Central should be hungry for a victory after staring at their feet for the past two games. Don't expect much scoring. Central by 8.

**Central vs. South.** The Packers are loaded once again and feature the fine passing of quarterback Al Valasquez. He should have a field day in Central's secondary. South by 20.

### Intramural Basketball

An intra-mural basketball program will soon be getting underway for all boys in the ninth through twelfth grades.

The league, under the direction of Mr. Tim Schmad, will start this week and will run until the end of October, as not to interfere with varsity basketball practice. Games are scheduled for 5:30 p.m. after school in the gym.

Students were allowed to make up their own teams, with no more than 9 per team. Two divisions will be run, one for freshman and sophomore teams, and one for junior and senior teams.

## J V, Reserves win

Central's JV and Reserve football teams have started out the season with identical 2-2 records, with both teams defeating Boys Town and AL, while losing to Bellevue and Benson.

The JV team has, according to Coach Rick Redlinger, played far better this year than in previous seasons. For the first time, Varsity and JV players have been practicing together. Players who have performed well in practice and during the games, are given a chance to suit up for varsity action.

The JV team, led by a strong offensive line, Joe Thalt, Dean Anderson, Steve Becker, Greg Hansen, and Steve Urbach, has relied mainly on the passing of quarterbacks Jim Olsen and Gordon Sims. A stronger running attack is needed, according to Coach Redlinger. The defense is led by an improving secondary.

The Reserves of Coach Stan Standifer, have played exceptionally well through their first four games. A balanced scoring attack and an improving defense have carried the Reserves.

## Gymnasts win meet

The Central High gymnastics team won their first tri-meet of the year, defeating both Rummel and Ryan, but were soundly defeated in their next meet against Northwest and Benson.

The victory was the first in the two year coaching career of George Harris. Coach Harris stated that the team worked very hard, and he was quite pleased with their performances.

Central was paced by the first place finishes of Nick Cannon on the long horse vault, Bob Fullerton on floor exercises, and Mike Capallano on the horizontal bar.

However, the meet against Northwest and Benson proved to be a completely different story, as Central was soundly defeated. The team did not appear to be psyched up for the meet.

## Harriers cop second in Metro race

Central's cross-country team finished a disappointing second to arch rival Creighton Prep in the Metro Championship, held last Friday at Spring Lake Park.

The loss was especially disappointing to Coach Jim Martin, who has yet to win a cross-country championship, although his teams have recorded three second place finishes. Prep held off Central, 40-47, with the individual winner being Barney Hill of Boys Town.

Larry Irwin, Bill Melton, Clyde Stearns, and Andy Holland, were Central's top finishers copping fifth, ninth, sixteenth, and seventeenth places respectively. Martin was pleased with his teams overall performance, giving special praise to Clyde Stearns.

Andy Holland led the pack for the first mile of the two mile race, but soon faded from contention. Coach Martin commented that Andy had more confidence than strength, as he used up much of his strength early in the race.



Irwin catches breath after fifth place finish.

Central, by defeating both North and Boys Town, improved their dual competition record to 4-0. The times of Irwin, Holland, and Melton in the Boys Town meet, were the best ever recorded by a runner coached at Central by Martin. Central also had a fourth place finish in the Bryan Invitational.

Coach Martin hopes that his team will keep working hard, as the District and State Championships will soon be held. Central's home course, Elmwood, will be the sight of the District meet.

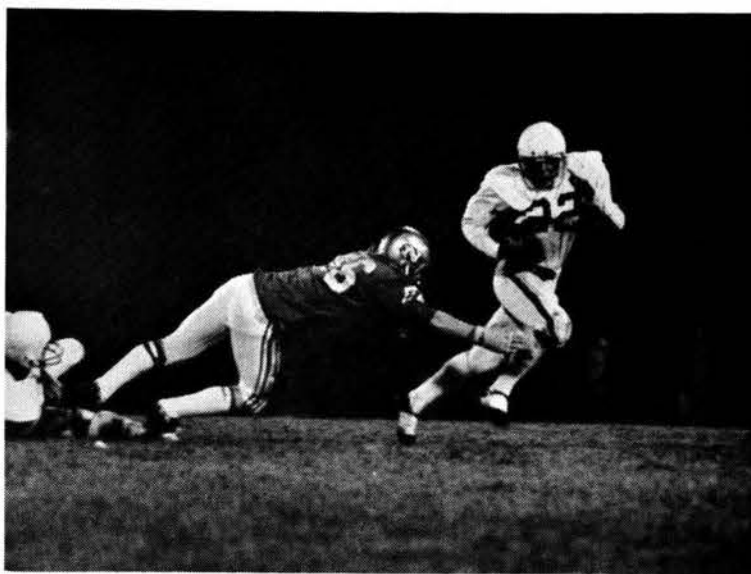
## Netmen falter against Prep

The Central High tennis team lost their crucial showdown match against Creighton Prep, in division play held last Tuesday at Dewey.

Prep ruined Central's hopes for an undefeated season and the National Division birth in the Metro Play-off, by taking the match, 3-2. This was the second straight year that both Prep and Central have come into the match undefeated—and the second year in a row that Prep has come out on top.

The loss to Prep was sandwiched between victories over Burke, Benson, and Boys Town, as Central finished their regular season with a fine 8-1 mark, and a second place finish behind the Junior Jays in National Division play.

## Footballers drop two



Carter scampers for yardage in loss to North

Central will try to even up their football record at 3-3 when they do battle with the Tech Trojans, Friday at Burke Stadium.

Central put up a stiff battle for three quarters in their game against top-rated Bellevue, but the one other quarter proved to be a costly one for Central, in Bellevue's 28-8 conquest, October 6, at Bellevue Stadium.

The Chieftains exploded for 21 second quarter points, after a scoreless first quarter. Bellevue capitalized on Centrals leaky pass defense for two quick touchdowns, while scoring one more on a short plunge. Bellevue was helped by having great field position throughout the game.

Central scored their only touchdown shortly before the end of the first half on a forty yard gallop by Mike Carter. Carter also ran for the two point conversion. Tom Lincoln played an outstanding game

hauling in 5 passes from quarterback Larry Butler.

Rocky Lipsman, Dave Mecesji, and Paul Tatum led a hard-hitting defense that five times stopped the powerful Chieftains on fourth and short yardage situations. Unfortunately, three quarters does not make a football game.

A famous football coach once stated, "Three things can happen when you pass — and two of 'em are bad." This was the case Friday, September 29, as North ruined Central's hopes for a homecoming victory, 25-0.

The Vikings intercepted five Central tosses in completely thwarting any Eagle scoring opportunities. Central's deepest penetration of the game was to the North 15 yard line, coming in the fourth quarter.

One of the few bright spots for Central was the defensive line, led by Ted Johnson, Dave Mecesji, and Dennis Sullivan, that allowed North only 79 yards on the ground.

## Girls win in golf, split in swimming

Central's girls swim team, coached by Mrs. Donna Curtis, has a record of 1-1 with a win against North and the loss coming against a superb Westside team.

Once again, Westside proved to be a very strong team by winning 67-19. Central's only first place came from Mary Whitfield in the Individual Medley. Mary also captured second place in the 50 yard fly. Others placing second were Martha Evans in the 50 yard breast, and Debbie Shukert in the 50 yard back.

**Swimmers Victorious**  
The girls defeated a good North team 43-42. In the action filled meet, Central captured four first places. Darlene Hoffman in the 200 yard free, Stephanie Schrein in the 100 yard free, and Martha Evans in the 50 yard breast won in individual competition. The 200 yard free relay of Stephanie Schrein, Sue Whitfield, Lindy Rice, and Barb Horner place first in re-

lay competition. Girls finishing second were Sue Whitfield in the 100 yard Individual Medley, Connie Phillips in the 50 yard fly, Debbie Shukert in the 50 yard back, and Ramona Rosberg in diving.

**Marantz Leads Golfers**  
The girls golf team, coached by Mrs. Joanne Dusatko, also got off to a good start with the Varsity's record at 2-1, and the Junior Varsity 3-0.

The Varsity's wins were against Tech 199-234 with Mindy Marantz shooting a 46. The win against Benson came as a result of a forfeit. The only loss was against T.J. 223-191. Mindy Marantz was Centrals low scorer with a 48. The J.V. team defeated T.J., Benson and Tech. Girls on the Varsity team are Jane Rosenberg, Mindy Marantz, Maureen Bertsch, and Terry Connor. Girls playing on the Junior Varsity team are Sharon Widman, Sandy Johnson, Joyce Thompson, and Laura James.

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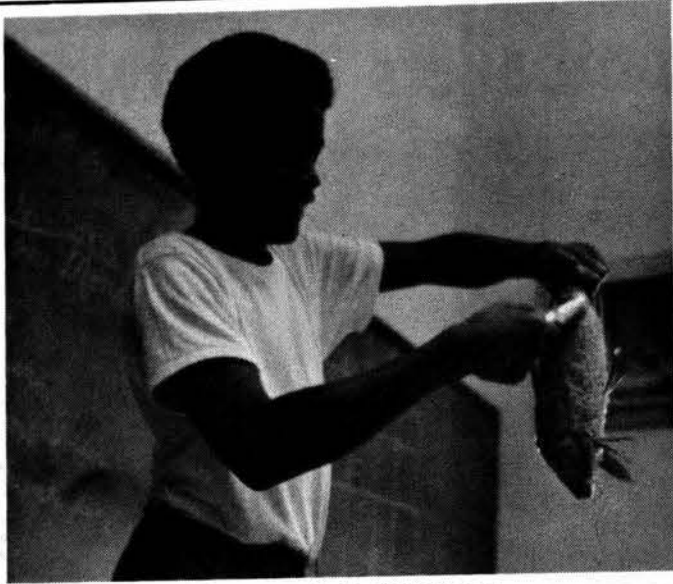
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## Autenrieth, Trumbull employ new methods

Learning how to cut an Afro haircut and listening to rock music while making collages are among the activities of the Central English department.

### Fish cleaning taught

The annual "how to" speeches are in progress in Mrs. Patricia Autenrieth's sophomore classes. However, some very unusual demonstrations have emerged from the assigned speeches. Among the many topics presented were how to clean a fish, how to cut an Afro (which involved one brave student as an example), how to make a "Polish cannon," and how to give mouth-to-mouth at-

tificial respiration (which included an actual presentation by two students).

### Students make collages

Mrs. Ellen Trumbull's junior English classes are also enjoying a unique approach to their studies. The students select one character from the book *My Antonia*, and analyze that character's personality.

After they are familiar with their character, the students make a collage and select a song that describes that character's feelings and ideas. Finished products are demonstrated to the class along with an explanation of the student's work.

## The secret life of Frank Bramhall

One of Central's teachers is also seen on television six nights a week. Mr. Frank Bramhall, who teaches radio broadcasting and electronics, works for WOW-TV. Sunday through Friday nights, Mr. Bramhall tells us what the weather is going to be like and gives us the precipitation saying for the next day. Says Mr. Bramhall, "Anyone who has a good idea for my precipitation sayings should let me know!"

Mr. Bramhall enjoys radio and television very much but described himself as a frustrated teacher and so jumped at the chance to teach at Central. He had always wanted to go into broadcasting and also teach school, now he has his cake and is eating it, too. He picked broadcasting at the urge of his friends.

Mr. Bramhall came to Omaha in 1961 from El Paso, Texas, to work for KMEQ, now known as KOWH. In 1964 he switched to KOIL and worked the midnight to five-thirty shift for three years. He changed his name to Frank Hall and called his show the "Hall Night Hallabaloo." Then in 1967 he left KOIL to work for WOW-TV and radio.

He enjoys both jobs very much and says that he's had many memorable experiences by being a disc-jockey. Mr. Bramhall said he was able to meet

many people and even got close enough to former President Johnson to be shoved back by both the President and the secret service agents. "I felt that I had done a good job on reporting after being jabbed in the ribs by the secret service men," said Mr. Bramhall.

Like most disc-jockeys, Mr. Bramhall has a secret admirer who sends him letters loaded with perfume to the station. "I know when one has arrived," says Mr. Bramhall, "because the whole office smells!" Not



Central teacher Frank Bramhall predicts the weather to TV audience.

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everyone likes Mr. Bramhall though. During his weather reports he once said some bad things about rainy weather. One farmer got mad and wrote a letter saying that he should be sent to the Sahara Desert where it never rains. Mr. Bramhall then changed his outlook on rain, and the farmer wrote back saying that he was a pretty good guy after all.

# Students in Youth Orchestra

From now until early May, 18 Central students will forfeit sleeping late on Saturday mornings in order to be in the Omaha Metropolitan Youth Orchestra. This orchestra, under the direction of Kermit Peters and assisted by Carl Lyons is the best and most prestigious orchestra high school students can be in. The orchestra is composed of the cream of the high school musician crop and affords the student the chance to play the original versions of great orchestral works including Tchaikovsky's Fourth Symphony, Prokofiev's Marchscherzo from "The Love of Three Oranges" and Schostako-

witsch's 5 Symphony.

This year, Central is able to boast that 18 of their talented students are a part of this fine orchestra.

Seniors Marc Beck, French horn; Gretchen Kugel, Flute & Piccolo; Kim Bell, Cello; Carl Orand and Edrie Tuttle, Violin, are all in Youth Orchestra again.

Others participating are juniors Debbie Harris, Clarinet; Bob Schoettger, Bassoon; Virgie Naviaux and Howard Brown, Viola; Harold Timms, Bass Viol; Jany Tuttle and Jayne Hubenka, Cello. Sophomores in the group include

Cheryl Honomichl, Flute; Debbie Stodala, Mike Fawth and Lydia Stranglen, Violin; and Mike Krupicka, Percussion. Central has one freshman in Youth Orchestra. She is Shelly Tuttle, Viola.

Senior Carl Orand is the personnel manager of the group. His job is to take care of any problems of the group, absences etc. We asked Carl if he had run into problems after the second rehearsal. "Well, yes," he said, "But it's just a small one. 18 kids from Central are supposed to be out of town (in concert) the week end of Road Show!"

## Chemistry teacher reads A.P. exams over the summer

By the 7th of June last year, most teachers had their final exams graded and unless they were teaching summer school, were happy about not having to grade any more tests for three months. Central High chemistry teacher Mrs. Julia Buresh, however, graded 120 more tests in the week after school was out.

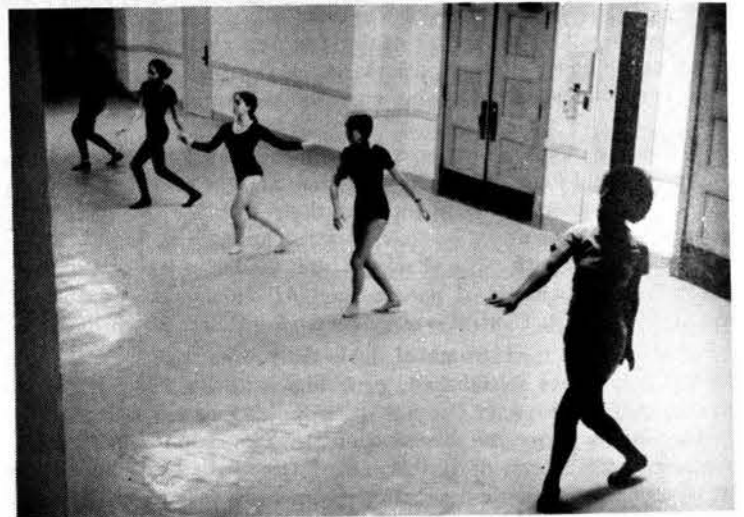
How does a high school teacher from Nebraska get to go to New Jersey to read some of the most selective tests given? "Three years ago I was at an A.P. conference at Hamline University," Mrs. Buresh explained, "and I met some influential people who were able to help me." Last year she was able to get an application and was notified of her acceptance in December.

According to Mrs. Buresh, anyone who is chosen to be a reader may read for no more than six years. The number of readers changes proportionally with the number of students that take the chemistry tests each year.

She was in a group, or table as they are called, of five people with one table leader. The leader coordinated the sessions and answered any of the questionable answers on the tests of his table, besides reading his own share of the tests.

The advanced placement tests are taken in late April or early May. Every student enrolled in an A.P. course is encouraged to take the tests, of which six out of the ten offered are given at Central. Each year Mrs. Buresh is saddened by a number of students in her chemistry class who do not take the tests. She feels in part this is because many students are scared off by rumors of "tests that are impossible to pass."

In truth, this is not so. The chemistry tests are mainly calculations that have been done many times in class. There are equations to balance and analyses to write about the equations. If the student is prepared for the tests, "they aren't that bad" Mrs. Buresh stated.



Girls are dancing their lives away

## Hayden begins dance class

Experimental modern dance is a new course being taught at Central after school by Miss Fabian Hayden, who is a junior majoring in physical education at UNO. The class is part of an experiment and a term paper for Miss Hayden. The class began September 13 and will continue for about eight weeks. Class instruction is held every Tuesday and Wednesday after school.

The class is relatively small, allows for more individual attention and personal instruction.

The members of the class are Jewel Brown, Nanci Jones, Virgie Naviaux, Denise Ogletree, Vickie Perry, Vicki Savala, Stephanie Thomas, and Jane Whitfield.

When asked why she chose to teach modern dance she replied, "I wanted to get more students exposed to modern dancing and to arouse their interest in creative dancing as well." Hopefully when the course is completed "the students will present a dance program" added Miss Hayden.

## Senior serves drug commission

Senior Billy Williams is a newly-elected member of the Governor's Drug Commission. He was nominated by a previous member and received an acceptance letter from Governor Exon this past summer. The members are appointed to serve for a four-year term. The first meeting was held in August at the State Capital in Lincoln and the board discussed the fiscal plans for the upcoming year. At the second meeting, the members discussed the new committees needed for the commission; also, Billy was asked to serve as chairman, but refused because he would not be able to devote enough time to the office. The third meeting was held September twentieth in Seward, Nebraska.

The members of the commission are reimbursed for certain expenses such as, transportation costs, meals, accommodations, telephone calls (some long-distance), and postal services. The drug commission grants federal funds to Omaha Awareness and

Action and various related groups.

Several members wanted to dissolve the commission. Billy stated that "it is very essential that more youth get involved in helping other youths to escape drug habits." Youths are better equipped to deal with their own age group. Bill stated that students should feel free to come to the drug commission meetings and find out "what's going on" to aid drug users and their problems.

## Class goes to 1776

Central history teacher Mr. Tim McCormack recently took his American history and American government classes to see the musical comedy "1776" which has just finished its run at the Omaha Playhouse. "I think it provided the students with a unique learning experience." He reflected "It gave them a chance to see these people they've always read about."

"1776" is a play that tries to show the personalities of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. It attempts to show the sectionalism involved and the free debate which was founded in the 18th century and has been carried on to modern times.

Mr. McCormack hopes that this part of history might be more real now to his students. "What I really wish I could do," he said "would be to video tape it for all my classes."

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