



photo by Brad Mancuso

Spring Play cast enjoys croquet

Set in the summer of 1923, "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay" is an adventure of two girls, Cornelia Skinner and Emily Kimbrough (played by Betsy Krin and Carol Knoepfler), who take a boat trip to Europe. Jean Kerr's characters encounter many adventures both on the trip itself and thereafter. Public performances of the play will be on Saturday, April 26, at 8:00, and Sunday, April 27, at 3:00.

Cast members Betsy Krin, Kathy Kennedy, Kathy Hekl, Margaret Whedon, and Dave Tieglund play a game of croquet on the strolling greens of Memorial Park, April 20.

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Self-study concludes

"Central is run in a very good, traditional manner. We liked it very much," said Richard Bock, an English teacher at Westside and a member of the Senior High External Visitation Team that visited Central on April 9-10. The evaluation team was part of a year-long self-study required for accreditation by the North Central Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges and the Nebraska State Department of Education.

Phases

The visitation team was the second of three phases included in the self-study. Phase one included the data received from a questionnaire, which was completed by staff, students, parents, and volunteer members of the community. Phase three will include the implementation of the recommendations made from the questionnaire and by the evaluators. A self-study is required every seven years by the NCASSC and every ten years by the State.

Results of the evaluation were good for the most part. "The comments were very positive. They were very complimentary about our students and program. Undoubtedly there were some negative things to say, but overall they were pleased and impressed with what they saw in their two-and one-half day visit," said Central Principal G. E. Moller.

Evaluation areas

The evaluation was broken down into different areas. These included the learning program, auxiliary services, instructional media, student personnel, physical facilities, and co-curricular activities. "We look at many things while we are here, but we are mainly interested in the learning program. That is our primary focus," said Paul Ackerson, a professor in the UNO education department and chairman of the visitation team that evaluated Central.

Mr. Bock was involved in

evaluating the instructional media and co-curricular activities. He recommended that a "full-time person be placed in the building to put central focus on media instruction. Something must be done in getting equipment repaired and back into the curriculum faster." Mr. Bock's comments were made in spite of the fact that eighty-two percent of all those answering the questionnaire agreed with the program now being provided. Bock also felt the librarian should be given more aid so she could do more of the "kinds of things she can do."

Bock was complimentary of the co-curricular activities but felt "there should be more intramural activities besides basketball. I would like to see intramurals expanded to include more things."

Track needed

Larry Fuller, Principal at Superior High School, was assigned to evaluate the auxiliary services and physical facilities. He felt the building itself is in pretty good shape but thinks that the "building and grounds need a lot more space." Mr. Fuller also mentioned the necessity for a track and larger practice field for football.

Mr. Fuller also evaluated the food program and maintenance of the building. "The food was excellent, and the kitchen is kept very clean. I find the whole building to be exceptionally well-maintained by the janitorial staff."

Mr. Fuller takes a special interest in the students and staff at a school he is evaluating because it is a valuable resource for improving his own school. "I look at the overall general attitude and behavior of the students. In a way, I am judging my own school against the one I am visiting." Mr. Fuller sees the evaluation as a great opportunity and help for him. "It gives me, for the most part, a lot of new ideas. I learn things I can try for both my staff and students."

Primary emphasis was put on the learning program by the visitation team according to Dr. Ackerson. The students are an important part of this evaluation. "You can't look at a learning program without looking at the students and how interested they are in what is going on." Mr. Bock felt that more small group discussion would improve the learning process. "There needs to be more interaction going on than there is now."

'Good attitude'

Much of the learning program's success depends on the teachers and their attitudes according to the evaluators. "Central's teachers have a good attitude," said Mr. Fuller. The learning program is aided by "an outstanding principal and a great staff who are concerned with good teaching," said Mr. Bock. He was also very impressed with the friendliness of the students to each other. "There is very little graffiti and writing on the wall. A good feeling exists between staff and students. They get along well and seem to enjoy each other."

The self-study has many values according to Dr. Moller. "It is an assessment to see what we are doing right and what we are doing wrong." With the requirement every seven years, Dr. Moller feels "it is an ongoing attempt to improve our program. In between the evaluations, we try to use the recommendations of the previous evaluation."

Tradition

Mr. Bock felt that Central was a traditional school and that that tradition ought to be preserved. He feels the building is a part of that heritage. "When the renovations are made, I hope they are able to keep the character, texture, and architectural qualities of the building alive."

Mr. Bock had one final thought on his visit: "Everybody seems to like being at Central. They are here because they want to be here. Students enjoy being students at Central."



photo by Mike Greenberg

Congressman John Cavanaugh answers a question from the audience during his visit on April 10.

Cavanaugh gives views

Congressman John Cavanaugh recently spoke to World History and American Government classes here at Central. At the conference he gave an introductory speech on the United States Congress and then called for questions from the students.

In his opening remarks on the Congress, Cavanaugh stated: "Whether you have a one-house or a two-house legislature, they determine the kind of policy that determines the kind of society we live in." He also said that Congress has an effect on "all aspects of our lives and not only affects our destiny, but also that of the future of mankind."

Cavanaugh answered questions about the Olympic boycott, Iran, the windfall profits tax, and nuclear energy. He came out in support of a windfall profits tax and the Olympic boycott. However, Cavanaugh said it is with a "great sadness" that he supports the boycott, but he believes that it is a "necessary action."

The Congressman also stated that he was "cautiously in favor" of nuclear energy. He believes it is not only a "great danger but a great opportunity also."

When asked if he thought the Congress has been slow in developing new forms of energy, he answered yes but said that the American people can't blame the Congress entirely, but the American sense of materialism instead.

Cavanaugh is against the legalization of marijuana and called it a narcotic. "I do not feel it is something to be encouraged in society."

When a teacher in the audience said that he thought the present legislature didn't care what the youth of today thought, Congressman Cavanaugh replied, "From my experiences the Congress does care what high schoolers think."

Cavanaugh, who is retiring from his post in the House of Representatives, said that his retirement is for a different lifestyle. He said he was separated from his family too much while serving.

'Spirit men' a possibility for Central

Certainly, the 70's will be remembered as an era that gave birth to many new fads and cultural revolutions. If this is so, the 80's can be looked at as a period of time that aided the growth of this 70's culture. Americans have viewed radical changes among its youth in politics, sex, and religion. At Central, one of the most popular movements in society, women's lib, is taking on a new twist. Given an even chance and a large amount of luck, a certain group of juniors may become Central's first male cheerleaders.

Yes folks, you read that right, male cheerleaders. A group of young, ambitious Centralites have made it known that they wish to help cheer the various athletes on to victory. Those that have expressed a desire to participate in this activity include juniors Bob Marsh, Steve Tracy, Dave Tieglund, Scott Barker, Jim Doughman, and Charles Cox. Straying away from the traditional look of pom-pons, skirts and sweaters, they prefer the gymnastic look. And instead of the title "cheerleaders," they prefer such names as "power men," or "spirit men."

editorial

The idea of "spirit men" is not as radical as it may appear. Such area high schools as Creighton Prep, who are lacking in the female populus, usually have young men cheering on their athletic events.

In colleges and universities, the mixture of male and female cheerleaders is a common sight. This combination provides for more "gymnastic" routines, giving a much broader visual display. However, there are certain tangibles that make this male-female combination rather unlikely for Central.

The first problem that these high-spirited young men must overcome is the cost factor. For the boys to be officially recognized as cheerleaders or "spirit-men," they must have a sponsor who is willing to devote time to their training and discipline. With a zero percent lid on school spending in the OPS district, it makes it very hard for a school to increase its programs when old ones are still being sought to cut. This seems to be the main obstacle facing the juniors right now. One alternative is to have the males join the females in the same class. However this solution has its share of problems too.

According to Dave Tieglund, some of the would-be spirit men met with Dr. Moller to discuss the possible future of this program. Dr. Moller felt that it would be unfair to Phyllis Brown, the female cheerleaders sponsor, to expect her to take on the men without any increase in pay. Dr. Moller did say, however, that there is about a 15 percent chance that the spirit men could function next year on a purely volunteer basis.

letters

Rodino thankful for KDCO radio

To Register Editor:

This is a letter of thanks to the individuals who, without their help and contribution, Central would not have a radio station (which is now a radio network).

The first person I must thank is Dr. G. E. Moller. It was he who brought us back to the airwaves on October 16, 1979. Also, there are two teachers who deserve a great deal of thanks for their time that they have given as supervisors. They are Ms. Joan Kmiecik and Mr. Kevin Throne. I should also thank Rick Osborne, our Chief Engineer, since most of the equipment we use is his.

I would also like to thank the eight students who, along with me, provide the music and

entertainment for everyone during the lunch hours and in the mornings. These talented people are Mike Fox, Tracy Johnson, Stew Magnuson, Jeff Meehan, Sheldon Smith, plus executives Roger Olson (Program Director), Steve Sempeck (News Director), and Tom Bertino (Publicity/Public Relations). Finally, I must thank everyone who listens to KDCO and K-54. If it was not for the listeners, we would be wasting our time.

To everybody that I have acknowledged, I thank you all.

Sincerely,
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Cheerleaders, both male and female, root on Louisville in the 1980 NCAA basketball championship.

Even if the money dilemma is overcome, there still remains the problem of acceptance. According to Dave, some of the spirit men tried to sit in on a meeting of the cheerleaders during homeroom. Dave said that some of the girls didn't take them seriously. This did not discourage the boys, however. "This only made us more determined to show them that we are serious," said Dave.

Not all cheerleaders are opposed to the idea. Tracy Bashus, a senior cheerleader, said she was in favor of letting the guys join the gals. Tracy believed that the opinions of the rest of the cheerleaders are probably split 50-50 on the idea.

In this age of equal rights and equal opportunity, it was only inevitable that the oppressed males joined in the act. It is just too bad they chose such an inopportune time to make themselves public. With the money situation tight, it seems unlikely that Central will have a male cheerleading squad in the immediate future. However, it would be nice to see the guys make an all-out volunteer effort to support the athletic events. Not only would it add a little variety to the games, (keep in mind, I'm not knocking the girls, they do a super job) but it would also give them a chance to prove how serious they are about supporting Eagle activities.

So let's hear it for the guys who have finally had the nerve to stand up and ask for a chance to contribute.

Words to Grow by

by Cathy Grow



Summer jobs

The school year is quickly coming to a close. Seniors have only 20 days left, not counting weekends and religious holidays. With the thoughts of swimming at the beach, the mind is also flooded with the impending doom of fiscal responsibility. Some are lucky; mama and dad are perfectly willing to finance that new swimming suit or college education, but most will be forced to put themselves on the job market and seek employment.

Let us look at the attempts of one typical student at getting a job and the things he does to prepare. A job prospect is located and the young hopeful now takes special care with his appearance. Most dates don't get this much attention, for all of the school orientational films tell us that we must make a good physical impression. Take a hint here and practice smiling and nodding dumbly. Try to achieve the perfect combination of facial expression. One must look intelligent yet obedient. You don't want to talk too much but still radiate that inner charm and personality. It takes real character to smile politely into the glassy eyes of someone who has done this fifty thousand times before.

Rendering a resume

Next, the potential worker must make up an acceptable resume. Our typical student has had a variety of experiences in his young life. There were those 18 months of delivering newspapers in the blistering heat and numbing cold, listening to customers grumble about inflation and how hard it was to scrounge up the (then) 95¢ a week to pay you. What about those long, tedious 75¢ an hour, four kids, two dogs and six rats a day babysitting job. The 6 or 8 hours spent every day with someone else's "children." The nights when you are too tired to even count the nickles, dimes, and quarters carefully counted out to you by the stingy, suspicious mother who weighs the meat before she leaves you alone with the refrigerator.

Or maybe you spent the entire summer mowing lawns or some other form of menial, backbreaking labor. But all of that sweat and pain doesn't mean anything on your job application. Personally, I pray that whoever reads mine will have a sense of humor. But they never do. How could anyone be anything but coolly condescending when all they see all day is people whose entire financial independence depends on them. The sense of power overwhelms me.

Filling the forms

But, before one can be interviewed, one must face the tedious, embarrassing task of filling out the above-mentioned job application. A two square centimeter box is all they give you to answer their questions. What can you write in such a small space? How does one look intelligent and still completely answer "Why did you leave your last position?" without garbling words or running outside of the lines? And some of the questions... "Were you ever convicted of a felony?" "Were you ever refused bond?" It is at this point that only the thought of mom's firm grip on my shoulder and her purse that keeps me from leaving right then and there.

I really can give you a satisfactory ending right now, but I'll be sure to get back to you in a week or so if I find anything for you.

Viewpoint

Males desire cheerleading status

Last week, 22 young women were selected as the 1980-81 Central High varsity and junior varsity cheerleaders. All-girl squads have been an institution at Central for years, with the use of males as cheerleaders very infrequent. However, two years ago, junior Hal Koch and senior Brian Canaday participated on a strictly volunteer basis. Many, however, believe that men should be allowed to have an equal chance to participate as cheerleaders.

Junior David Tiegland, who has spearheaded a "male cheerleader committee," believes that something needs to be done to help promote school spirit and that guys would enhance the presently all-girl squad.

"There is definitely a lack of school spirit," said David. "Central has lost a lot of prestige, and I don't think the girls are doing as much as they could. They could do more acrobatic things, and if guys were selected, they could help."

Phyllis Brown, Central cheerleading sponsor, agrees.

"They would have to go through the same routines as the girls," said Mrs. Brown, "but it would be nice to have four or five guys to help with mounts and jumps."

Many of the present cheerleaders are in favor of the idea but hold reservations about the seriousness of the guys who would try out.

"If they were interested enough, I think they should be allowed to try out," said junior varsity cheerleader Sherry Freads. "It could really be impressive if guys would work alongside the varsity cheerleaders," she added.

Another junior varsity cheerleader, Nancy Culek, thinks an addition of male cheerleaders would open doors to people who would otherwise not participate.

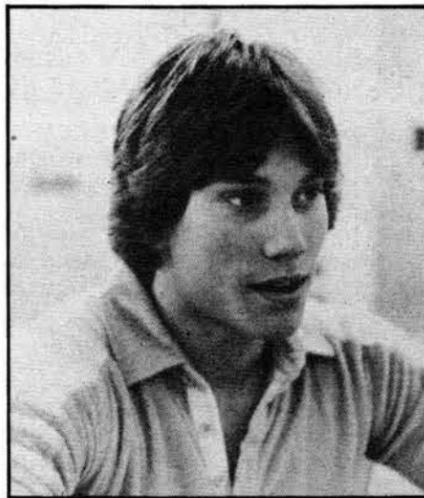
"Having male cheerleaders would help more people get involved," said Nancy. "I think gymnastics is the most important thing, and if the guys can do it, fine."



Sam Brodich, Senior
"I don't think we need them. We have enough girls to cheerlead. If it was an all-guy school, maybe it would be okay."



Crystal Coleman, Sophomore
"If they have the school spirit, I don't see anything wrong with it. People would probably make fun of them. If they were serious and did a good job, I don't see anything wrong with it."



Rick Chamberlain, Sophomore
"I don't like it. I suppose if they wanted to do it they could. When I first heard about it, I thought they were kidding, but I guess maybe they are serious."



Cheryl Hutton, Sophomore
"I'm all for it. Might as well have equal opportunity. It would promote school spirit for awhile, but then people would probably start making fun of it. You would probably be able to hear the boys a little better."

Central High junior Sam Johnson is son of senator

"Actually, it's not that well known, so the fact that my dad is a state senator really doesn't affect the way people treat me at all," says Sam Johnson, Central High junior. "When people do find out, I generally have to explain that he works out of Lincoln and not Washington."

You may recognize Sam for his roles on the Central High stage. He starred as Cornelius Hackle in the fall production of "Hello Dolly," and stated opinions on life as seen through the spectacle covered eyes of Bernard for "Road Show 80." But there is yet another aspect that makes this junior unique among his peers. His father is a Nebraska state senator from the 8th district.

"My dad just decided to run one day. I guess that's the way he is. We were all really excited about it. We painted signs and supported him any way that we could," he said.

Vard Johnson was born in Columbus, Nebraska; he received his undergraduate degree from Yale and earned his law degree from Harvard. Johnson then spent some time on an Indian reservation in Arizona before he finally took a position as a legal aid lawyer in Omaha, where he now spends any time not needed in Lincoln. "I'm really proud of my dad," says Sam "not just because he's a senator, but because he's doing what he wants to do. He could be making a lot of money, but he feels that helping people is more important, and I'm glad that he thinks like that."

During the sessions in Lincoln, Sam doesn't see much of his father. "Although he comes home every night, my dad is usually busy at meetings and things like that, so I don't see him that often. I suppose I'm more independent because of it. He showed me how important it is to pursue things that you are interested in," Sam says. Despite a variance of interests (Sam's mother teaches at Kearney) Sam and his family are still close. "My mother insists that the family should have as many Sunday meals together as possible," he says.

Although his grandfather was also interested in politics in Columbus, Sam doesn't think that he will make public service his lifetime goal. "I suppose I'll always be interested in politics and even help in campaigns, but right now, I really want to make my living in acting."

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Martin travels to Monterrey



Pictured above is senior Julie Martin with some youngsters in Mexico, where she worked during spring vacation.

For many high school age students, spring break was a time of fun and relaxation, a time to get ready for summer. But for Central senior, Julie Martin, March 29-April 9 was an eventful time which she will not soon forget.

Built a dormitory

Julie, along with 49 others from Trinity Interdenominational Church, traveled by bus to Mexico. Their mission was to help build dormitory rooms for a Bible college in Carmon, a suburb of Monterrey. Others in the group, which included all ages, were an electrician, 2 carpenters, and 2 professional painters.

According to Julie, Monterrey is the size of Omaha in area but not in population.

'The garbage dump'

"Three million people live in Monterrey," said Julie. "It's often called the garbage dump."

The group visited Monterrey while in Mexico and found conditions to be crowded and unclean.

Different society

"The people live in huts and eat fish heads," she said. "It's so different from our society."

She also commented on the customs of the people there.

"Everyone was so slow paced. They didn't seem in a hurry for anything. We would plan to eat dinner at 6:30 and end up eating at ten."

Julie was impressed with

the family-oriented society, though. The experience gave her a "world outlook." She was able to see how other societies live.

Despite the conditions, Julie had an enjoyable time helping others. She also made many new friends with whom she is now in correspondence.

Musical people

"The people are so much fun," she said. "They're also very musical. Many of them play the guitar and sing. The streets are always full of people — even in the middle of the night."

Julie is planning on going back to Carmon next spring, and she might return as soon as this summer.

Student conducts teacher survey

Frequently one hears students complaining about their grades or homework. No one really stops to think what the teachers think of all this. What do teachers think about kids and homework? Sharon Carter found out by conducting a survey of many teachers, counselors, and administrators.

Sharon conducted the survey as one of her research projects in Creighton Steiner's fourth hour special anthropology projects class. A questionnaire was sent to each teacher, administrator, and counselor through their mailboxes. The teachers filled out the anonymous survey answering questions ranging from what the teachers' plans are for the future, to what their advice is if you want to become a teacher.

Small response

Out of 77 questionnaires sent out, Sharon received 27 back. Although she was a little disappointed with the response, Sharon felt that she had gotten some good information with which she could work.

Low Pay, extra hours

Of the teachers that returned the form, Sharon found that most of the teachers complained about low pay, paper work, and extra hours. The main complaint, however, seemed to be that of student behavior.

The counselors' main complaints stemmed around the lack of community support and extra paper work.

Overall, most teachers and counselors felt that the largest reward they received was seeing a student progress through high school and become successful after graduation.

"Go to college . . ."

Most of the teachers surveyed felt that they would stay in the education field for a while longer. Though they plan to keep teaching, the teachers indicated they are not happy with their jobs mainly because of their salary. One teacher's advice on how to become a teacher was: "Go to college, get a degree not only in education but in business too."



photo by Jack Martin

At the Military Ball, Senior Clark Crinklaw (at left) was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, the highest promotion available in the high school ROTC program. During the ceremony, Crinklaw was also presented with a saber by Central principal G.E. Moller. Crinklaw's date was Loretta Jensen, shown at right.

Watson uses 'on-the-job experience' for own business

For Central students who think their summer job is just a way to earn some extra money, take a tip from Brian Watson, Central economics teacher. Mr. Watson, who operates both a swimming pool service and pool construction business, used his summer job experience from high school and college to start his own business back in 1970. According to Mr. Watson, "On the job experience is the best way to learn a trade," and Watson's own background proves that statement.

Started as summer job

As a junior in high school, Mr. Watson obtained a summer job working for a swimming pool

company. Two years later, Watson received a job with another swimming pool contractor. Subsequently, the company divided into two companies, and Watson kept on working for the

Renewed every summer

original owner. The job was renewed every summer from 1961 to 1969 as Mr. Watson proceeded through college and started teaching school. Mr. Watson was learning all the aspects of the business, even working outstate on some jobs, until 1969 when the company went bankrupt.

After the company he worked for went bankrupt, Mr. Watson decided that he would start a

pool service company on his own in the spring of 1970, his equipment consisting of a Volkswagen convertible and a toolbox. With old customers from the other company he worked for as a starting point, Mr. Watson went to City Hall and dug up all the swimming pool building permits for the previous twenty years and sent mailings to all the addresses he found. The mailings every spring and an ad in the Yellow Pages are the extent of his advertising, says Mr. Watson, with most of his new business now coming from referrals.

Started own business

Three years ago, Mr. Watson and two friends went into a pool

construction business separate from his pool service business. This enterprise, however, requires more advertising, stated Mr. Watson, because it is much more competitive. Also, added Mr. Watson, almost all the profits so far have had to be plowed back into the business. All in all, concluded Mr. Watson, the swimming pool business works well for him with the bulk of the labor falling in the summer months and the business ending giving him practical experience to relate to his economic students. Perhaps, if he or she is an entrepreneur, the Central student getting work experience this summer might put his or her experience to use some day.



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Of Central Importance

Peterson receives trophy

Central Senior Steve Peterson was recently a trophy winner at the First Annual Metropolitan Omaha Regional Science Fair held on March 23, 1980 at Creighton Prep.

Steve's project was a taste test experiment involving P.T.C. P.T.C. or Phenyl thio Urea-Phenyl thio Carbanade, a taste-testing chemical which only certain people can taste, was used to see if people who could tell the difference between this and samples of sweet, sour, salt, bitter, and a hot spice were better cooks.

Steve was presented with a trophy and certificate for his achievement. The trophies were donated by the Omaha Dental Society. This was the first time Steve had won a contest such as this.

Steve plans to pursue a career in diversified science, which is, according to Steve, "a combination of behavioral science and social science."

Steve is a member of Creighton Steiner's special anthropology projects class and also plans to attend the Nebraska Science Academy fair in April.

Moller attends workshop

Following an intensive evaluation of Central High School, Principal G. E. Moller attended a four-day workshop sponsored by the North Central Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges held in Chicago.

The conference was designed so that designated people could examine the records of schools and observe that they met accreditation requirements. Another purpose of the NCA conference was to provide a workshop for solving problems common to most schools.

Dr. Moller said that the NCA was an important accreditation group. "Most schools in the Middle West want to belong to the association. It's a very prestigious organization, and all Omaha Public Schools belong."

One of the highlights of the workshop was a speech given by the Governor of Arkansas, who at the age of 33, is the youngest governor in the United States. "I felt that he was a very impressive young man. He was an inspiration to all of those who attended." Other speakers included professors and other important educators.

DECA convention

On March 20-22 the National DECA Club sponsored a statewide business education convention at the Omaha Hilton Hotel. Seven hundred junior and senior high school students, including 25 from Central, took part in the convention.

Students competed in contests under areas of interest in problem solving, oral interviews with judges, and written math tests. Senior Paul Duin won first place in the general merchandising field. He is now eligible to compete in Miami, Florida, for the national competition in June.

The cost was \$60 for each student attending. The students only put forth \$10 of their own money and raised

the rest by selling candy, cheese, and sausage and having bake sales.

Judges for the contests come from all over the state just to participate in this learning experience for the students (they received no pay).

"The purpose of this convention is for students to get to know and compete with each other," said Marketing teacher Mrs. Sara Parker.

Dances and carnivals were held each of the three nights. The students had a 1:00 a.m. curfew. Counselor Miss Josephine Valasek and Mrs. Parker escorted the Central students.

For the past five years the convention has been held at the Omaha Hilton because it "outgrew" past locations. The convention is planned a year in advance for the last weekend in March.

Problem Solving

A team of four Central students has qualified for the National Creative Problem Solving Bowl in Lincoln May 1-3. Senior Mike Hutton and juniors Steve Bouma, Sam Johnson, and Eric Johnson are currently ranked fifth in the country and comprise one of only fifteen teams accepted for the annual national competition. The group is sponsored by Dr. Robert Wolff, Central Physics teacher.

In the problem solving program, the same problem is presented to each participating team. "Brainstorming" sessions are held in which the teams analyze causes of the problem, break it down into criteria, and devise ways of solving the problem. The solutions are then sent to a panel which scores the effort on creativity, originality, feasibility, practicality, and the team's ability to "sell" their ideas.

The four students all agree that Creative Problem Solving is beneficial, for it teaches them to interact in a group, develops practical use of the imagination, and gives insight into problems that may be faced in the future.

Creative Problem Solving is in only its second year at Central. In both years, Central's team has attained a berth to the championship bowl in Lincoln.

Volunteer pit musicians

Several Central students from band and orchestra have recently been members of the pit orchestras in two area parochial school musicals.

According to instrumental music teacher, Warren Ferrel, the students volunteered their playing to make up for a lack of orchestras in these schools. "Most of the musicians are either professionals or college students," said Mr. Ferrel.

The musical *Irene*, was presented at Cathedral High School, April 11-13. Students participating were: sophomores Holly Soares, Todd Ring, Richard Grotheer, and Kathy Kennedy; junior Carlton White, and senior Beth Grotheer.

"The King and I" will be performed April 26 and 27 at Mercy High School. Those participating are Beth Grotheer, Richard Grotheer, and

sophomore Mark Duram.

Drama Club trip

The Central High Drama Club is now preparing to end the school year with a bang. Final plans are being made now for Drama Club's trip to Kansas City and a re-instatement into the Thespians Club.

Drama Club has sponsored four bake sales and two candy sales to help pay for their trip to Kansas City. Thirty people will go by way of a rented bus on May 17. Upon arriving in Kansas City, they will stay in a hotel and then see "Play It Again, Sam" at a local dinner theater. They also plan to visit Worlds of Fun.

According to Drama Club president, Carol Knoepfler, plans are also under way for Central to join Thespians. Thespians is a national drama organization and honor society. It helps to promote lectures, conventions and workshops in the area of theater. According to Carol, Central was once a member of this organization but dropped out about five years ago due to "too many hassles and intangling involvements."

German Club in Blair

On the weekend of April 11 and 12, 13 students from Central High attended a German convention at the Dana College campus in Blair, Nebraska, along with over 200 other German students from across the state.

The Central students left school shortly after 3:20 on Friday, and arrived in time to join in the festivities held that night. Activities included dancing, singing, drama skits, swimming and a masquerade party. The participants spent the night in dorms furnished by the college. Saturday was divided into different seminars, classes, and a variety of tests and competitions. Central participants Sherry Soares, Eric Johnson and Oakly Gibbs took second place in the top-level testing competition. Gibbs was also elected President of the Nebraska Chapter of German Students. This, along with other honors, was announced at a banquet held on Saturday.

Total cost per student was \$14.00. Each student paid \$4.00 while money collected from German candy sales completed the sum needed.

Students to tour Red Cloud

Red Cloud, Nebraska, hometown of Willa Cather, is the destination set for juniors in the honors English program. The juniors leave on Friday, May 9, for the all-day field trip.

The trip will include a three-hour bus ride and tours of the city of Red Cloud and the surrounding areas. The students, who have been studying Cather's writings, will see the places she often describes come to life.

Mrs. Marlene Bernstein, teacher of the junior honors English program, will accompany the students on the trip.

Choir to compete

A Cappella Choir will be going to Kansas City May 3-4

for the Worlds of Fun Choral Festival to compete against various other high schools throughout the Midwest. Three judges will rate the singers with each group singing three songs. A trophy will be awarded to the winning choir.

In order to be eligible to go to Kansas City, A Cappella sent a tape to Worlds of Fun for an audition. The total cost of the trip is \$2,600. The money had to be raised by the students themselves, who sold mugs and singing valentines. The singers will stay for two nights and two days. According to choir member Mike Greenberg, "This will make the trip mean more to everyone." This is the second time Central has attended the festival.

Gov't. field day

Approximately 85 juniors from four Central government classes attended the Nebraska Unicameral Tuesday, April 8. The purpose of the trip was to give students a chance to see both the legislature in action, and also to acquaint them with the legislative process.

However, according to Clyde Lincoln, government instructor, students were only able to see final reading of bills while they were in the legislative chamber.

"We were supposed to stay in the chamber for two hours, but because they were going through the reading process (a bill must be read in its entirety three times), I didn't think they wanted to listen the whole time."

After 25 minutes in the chamber, the students visited the Conrad House, which, built in 1869, is the oldest house in Nebraska. At 11:00, Attorney General Paul Douglas and Larry Donaldson, representative to Chief Justice Norman Krivosha, met with the students and discussed how senators are advised about bills and how the State Supreme Court works.

Also in the group was Governor Charles Thone. Governor Thone answered questions concerning LB 627, a bill, which if made law, would automatically remove a voter imposed lid after one year. The governor said that he would veto LB 627 in its present form but would sign a bill that would lift a voter imposed lid after two years.

After lunch in the Capitol, the students met with and questioned State Senators Ernest Chambers, Vard Johnson, Carol Pirsch, Neil Simon, and Pat Venditte. Most of the discussion also centered around LB 627.

Mr. Lincoln noted that the senators had told him that they were impressed by the caliber of questions the students had asked. He also said that the students showed a "definite interest" in the discussion and that they had done "a good job."

Proper nutrition

Olympic consultant on nutrition, Anne Grandgean, visited Central, Thursday, March 13. She came to give a lecture about good nutrition pertaining to athletes' food habits. She gave the lecture 6th and 7th hours, to a group

of biology and food class students.

"She talked mainly about dehydration in athletes while training or in competition, and the danger of dehydration resulting in excessive weight loss," commented, Biology instructor, David James.

Also discussed were caloric intake, proper nutrition, training diets, and diets during competition.

Ms. Grandgean explained that it had not been her ambition to become a nutrition consultant. She had been teaching high school health classes when a friend of hers called and asked if she would consider becoming an olympic consultant. She accepted and has been active in this area for several years.

Students against Lid Bill

"Students Speak Out on LB 627," was the title of a rally at Central on Sunday, April 13. "The rally was to inform people of the student's views on the OPS spending lid," said Kirt Mancuso, spokesperson for rally coordinators.

The rally was first discussed by American Government students returning from Lincoln after talking with Governor Charles Thone and several State Senators. The real purpose of the trip, to learn about legislative procedures, was overlooked by attending students to debate LB 627, the bill to repeal the Omaha Public School zero percent spending lid.

Giving their views at the rally were 627 lobbyists, Don Andrews, and Central students James Backer, James Doughman, Kirt Mancuso, Jeff Stock, and Todd Whitham. Speakers' opinions varied slightly, but the general consensus was that the Omaha Public Schools could not survive under the current spending lid.

"The press coverage was excellent," said Stock. "We got the attention we deserve." The hope of the rally sponsors was to tell their story, and although the crowd was small, the students' story did get told on the three Omaha news stations and within the pages of the *Omaha World-Herald*.

The students hope that they have influenced the opinion of State Senators by telling them the problems the students face. The bill was passed by the Legislature on Tuesday, April 15, by a 33-13 margin, but was vetoed by Governor Thone the following day. At press time, an attempted override (requiring a two-thirds majority) by the Legislature was pending.

Job Counselor

Are you a Central student looking for a job? The Omaha Public Schools Job Placement Center may be able to help you. Interested students can obtain an application from their high school counselor or Mrs. Penny Boykins, Job Placement Counselor, who is in the building every Thursday morning from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Central Latin rules

Veni! Vidi! Vici! Just as Julius Caesar had done in 48 B.C. when he defeated Pompey at Pharsalus, Central Latin students "came, saw, and conquered" the state Junior Classical League convention held April 18-19 at Creighton University.

'the best one'

The convention attracted over three hundred students from eleven high schools and one junior high across the state according to Latin teacher Rita Ryan. The students participated in games, contests, tests, and athletic events of all kinds in the two day session. A dance was held on Friday night.

Miss Ryan called the convention "the best one" that she's ever attended. "Nine years ago I took one girl to David City for the state convention," said Miss Ryan. This year, Central, which has one hundred members in JCL, took seventy people to the convention. Central was the host school and had more people there than anyone else. Miss Ryan was very pleased with the convention and her students. "Central students made a good impression on everyone," she said.

Events

There were many events, both athletic and academic. Central won first-place trophies in volleyball, upper division (3-4 year) academics, and the Olympics. Marian also won three first-places. The Certamen, also called college-bowl contests, is one of the main events of the convention according to Miss Ryan. It is made up of questions over grammar, vocabulary, mythology, and Roman life and

history. It is contested in a single-elimination tournament. Central placed second in two Certamen divisions, second year and third-fourth year.

Elections

Miss Ryan was also very pleased with the state office elections. Central had three Latin students become new state JCL officers. Liz Gibson was elected President; Scott Barker was elected treasurer; and Eric Johnson was chosen as the new Parliamentarian. Liz thinks the state club will be easier to run next year with more people from one school.

Students enjoyed the convention. "It was fun. I had a good time," said sophomore Colleen Frenking. Julie Carlson, who went last year as a ninth-grader at Lewis and Clark said, "It was much better this year. It was funner because there were a lot more people I knew. There's also more spirit and unity if you go with a bigger school."

'more involved'

Junior Liz Gibson, the new state President, also agreed the convention was fun. However, she was amazed at how much work there was to do as the host school. Although Liz has been to conventions before, she felt "much more involved this year."

Junior Molly Carlson said, "You find out how much you really know about Latin. It shows you much knowledge and understanding of the language you really have." One student thought the convention was "very educational." Another saw it as "a learning experience."

Junior Scott Barker felt the

convention gave him a chance to apply what he had learned in class. The most important thing about the convention for Scott, however was that it "proved to me that Latin is not a dead language."

Derivatives

Derivatives; Jim Backer-1st (third year) David Powers-1st (fourth year)
Mythology; Liz Gibson-1st (fourth year) Carmen Trandahl
Eric Johnson-1st (second year) Erin Keenan-3rd (first year)
Pentathlon; Mark Thompson-2nd (third year)
Barbara Wright-3rd (first year)

Vocabulary

Vocabulary; Debbie Kusch-1st (fourth year) Debby Pierce-2nd (third year)
Roman Life and History; Liz Gibson-first (fourth year)
Eric Johnson-1st (second year) Grant Gier-2nd (third year) Jamie Lane-3rd (first year)

Central students winning in the swimming and track and field were: Kathy Dehner, 1st-25 backstroke; Henry Cordes, 1st in 25 backstroke; Georgette Gates, 1st in softball throw and running long jump; 880 relay girls team-1st; Katie Holland, 1st in Mile. In other events, Scott Barker placed second in English oratory; Janssen Williams won 3rd place in the costume contest; Liz Gibson was second in scrapbook design; and Carmen Trandahl was second in two-dimensional objects.

Singer Grobeck seeks musical fame

Connie Grobeck, Central Senior, has an unusual pastime which might lead to a prosperous future. Connie spends many weekends rehearsing back-up music for a leading country-western band.

Interest in music

Connie's interest in country-western music started last summer when she and her boyfriend, Bert Baines, were overheard harmonizing by Bert's father, J. R. Baines.

"J.R. suggested that I sing for Lou Barry, an area top promoter," Connie said. J. R. plays steel guitar with Barry's band.

"Lou liked my voice, and I started rehearsing with him,"

she added.

"talking to Waylon was an exciting experience"

At the present, Connie sings at small parties that Barry throws to give her some publicity. Barry plans to have Connie sing background for his band and eventually will back her in recording her own records and making deals with songwriters.

According to Connie, Barry grew up with Waylon Jennings and sang with him for a few years. When Waylon Jennings came to Omaha over the summer, Connie and her boyfriend were admitted back stage.

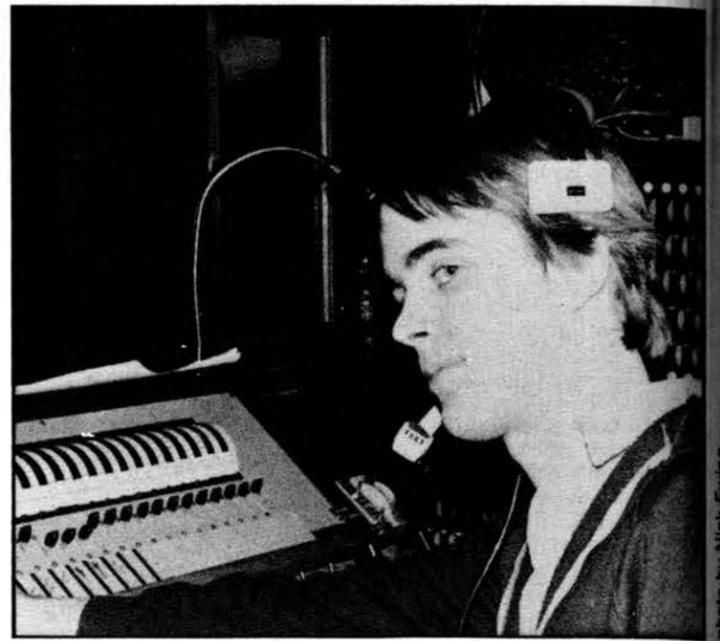
"To talk to Waylon," Connie said, "was a very exciting experience."

Connie, a member of A Cappella Choir and CHS Singers, is also trying her hand at song writing.

Hoping to perform in night clubs

"My boyfriend and I are in the process of writing a song for the band," she said. "So far it is coming along quite well. Lou is very pleased with it."

Connie is hoping to perform with the band at nightclubs when she turns nineteen but in the meantime will continue her weekend rehearsals.



Greg Combs works at Playhouse light table.

CHS drama tradition lives

by Greg Combs

When speaking about Central High School activities, tradition is a word which follows close behind. One tradition which has stood the test of time is the quality work done upon the Central High stage. For over 63 years, Central's stage has presented entertaining shows. Now in face of rising inflation and a property tax lid, Central's drama department still has high hopes for the future.

Early years

The early years of Central's stage began the long-running tradition of the Central High Road Show. Still being presented today, the Road Show is a variety-talent show, open to participation from the whole student body. The 1980 Road Show marked the sixty-third year in a row that it has been presented. During its first few years, all shows were presented in the "old auditorium" which now has been rebuilt into rooms 145 and 245.

New auditorium

With the building of Central's new auditorium in the early 30's, the first high school proscenium theater had been built in Omaha. The only competition that Central faced at this time were professional shows at the Orpheum and community playhouse productions. Central was the only area high school with an active drama department.

The peak of Central's activities in drama was reached production-wise in the 1960's. During this time, Central High averaged four productions a year. These included a fall play, the fall musical, Road Show, and a spring play. The just beginning junior theater also performed on Central's stage.

Ray Williams

Central's drama department head and director of this productive period was Mr. Ray Williams. Mr. Williams is currently a drama teacher at Bryan High School and also pursues an active career as a magician and community actor. During his ten years at Central, Williams helped in the producing of over 43 shows. Mr. Williams direc-

ted, built the sets, and at times was called on to teach the make-up class.

Tough job

According to Williams, being involved with a show at Central was no easy task. Due to the large number of shows done at this time, Williams found himself spending a great many weekends down on stage.

There were many bright spots in his stay at Central, however. Student participation was way up. An average of 160 students would try out for the straight plays alone. This is considerably higher than the 60 or 70 that tried out for Central's current production.

Highlights

"This was a time when students came to Central because they wanted to pursue a career in theater. Many came just because of our reputation with Road Show," said Williams.

Another highlight during this time was the installation of a new lighting board. However, more problems developed than were solved.

According to Williams, consultants were called in from the Omaha Playhouse to assist in the purchase and the placement of the new board. But, for some reason, most of their advice went unheeded. The board that was purchased was not the one that was wanted, and its placement was far less than ideal. Currently, Mrs. Pegi Stommes is attempting to correct problems that resulted in the placement of the new board.

Future

Today, Central's productions have been cut down to three a year due to the amount of work involved with each one. There is also no longer a makeup class taught at Central, something which Mrs. Stommes says she would like to see come back.

What does the future hold? Mrs. Stommes says she would like to see an increase in student participation. In the meantime, she hopes to continue the tradition of doing professional work on the stage and providing a learning atmosphere for the students.

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Improving boys' track team 'will be competitive at state'

A young boys' track team opened its season by winning two dual meets and earning a fourth place finish in the Grand Island Invitational.

Leading the Eagles at Grand Island, were the members of the four by one hundred meter relay team. The team, consisting of sophomores Terry Grigsby and Daryl Duncan and juniors Rod Washington and Michael Lee, finished first with a time of 44.6 seconds. That time was the fifth fastest time run in the state this spring.

Michael Lee also finished third in the one hundred meter dash with a time of 10.8 seconds, which tied a track record, said Coach Joe McMenemy.

Final dual meet April 29

According to Mr. McMenemy, good performances were turned in by sophomore Gary Johnson and senior Paul Orduña. Johnson ran a 15.2 second time in the 110 meter high hurdles. "That was the fastest qualifying time at Grand Island," said Coach McMenemy.

Orduña ran a 51.3 second third leg for the 1600 meter relay team which finished fourth.

Central has only one dual meet remaining before the district meet May 12-16. The Eagles will face Benson in a home dual, April 29.

Districts around the corner

Coach McMenemy feels the squad has improved since the beginning of the season. He said, "We are showing improvement. The weightmen are getting better throws, and we are getting into shape so our times should be coming down."

Seven Teams will compete in the district meet with Central. The other teams are Burke, Gross, South, Bellevue West, Benson, Westside and Ralston. According to Mr. McMenemy, Burke and Bellevue West are favored to win.

In the district, the Eagles hope to receive points from Larry Station in the discus and Jim Labenz in the 1600 meter and 3200 meter runs. At Grand Island, Station finished second in the discus with a throw of 150 feet, 6 inches. Mr. McMenemy said, "If Station continues to improve, he could possible get some points in the districts."

Labenz finished third in the 1600 meter run and fourth in the 3200 at Grand Island. "Jim has missed a little bit of practice. He's starting to get back into shape," said the coach.

Relay teams excel

In the time remaining before the district and state meets, the Eagles hope to lower their times in the 1600 meter relay and the 3200 meter relay. According to Mr. McMenemy, "We're trying to get the mile relay and the two-mile relay times down so we'll be competitive at state." He added, "Right now, we feel our 400 relay team is one of the best in the state. We want the others to be there too."

The team has not set any goals for the season yet, but Mr. McMenemy said, "We want to perform at one hundred percent. What happens after that happens. He concluded, "If everyone gives one hundred percent, we'll be up toward the top" at the district and state meets.

Errors mark early baseball slump

The varsity baseball team opened its season by defeating Roncalli four to nothing, but losing to Lincoln High and Benson.

According to Coach Kenny, errors have been the cause of Central's difficulties. Against Benson, the Eagles committed six errors, while losing 9-6. "We need more experience defensively. We have players who can catch the ball," said Coach Kenny. "I think throwing errors and mental errors tie together; we're rushing the ball and throwing the ball in the dirt."

Despite some problems defensively, Mr. Kenny feels the infield is "looking pretty good." Keying the infield are team captains; third baseman Rick Hernandez, second baseman Pat Hill and pitcher — first baseman Joe Mancuso. Coach Kenny feels, "They are the type of kids who know the game a little better than the others." Junior shortstop Glynn Dutch has also played well he said.

Sophomore performs well

According to Coach Kenny, Central must "solidify" its outfield positions and develop an experienced catcher. However, Mr. Kenny cited the play of centerfielder Roger Fullerton. "He has been doing a pretty good job, especially for a sophomore. He has a good eye for the ball, and he floats under it, as far as catching the ball."

At catcher, Brett Emsick has a good chance to see considerable action. The problems at catcher began when Joe Mancuso was moved to first base. "Mancuso has always played there before," said Mr. Kenny. "Brett needs more experience with his throwing arm."

A tough schedule creates

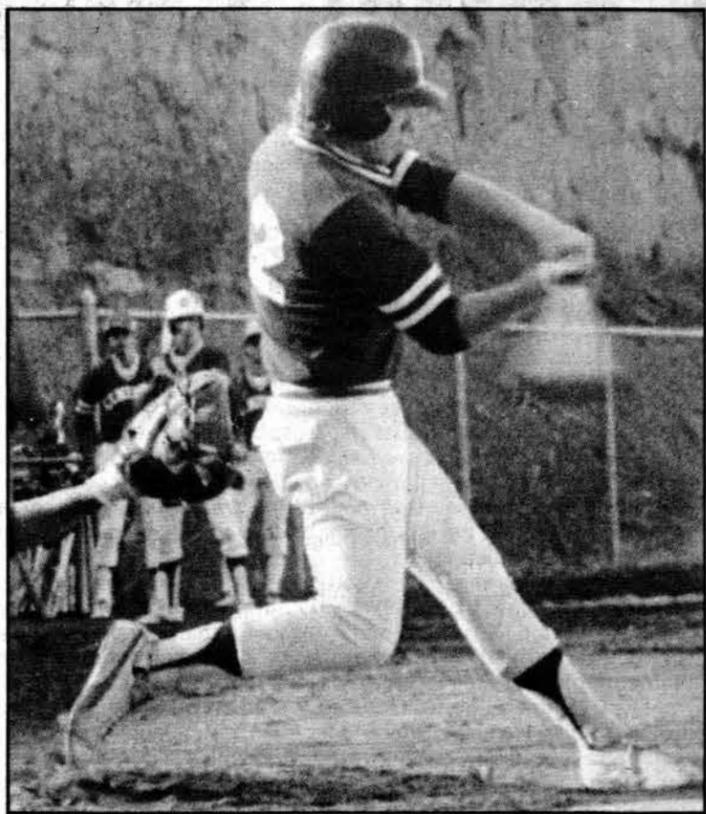


Photo by John Gibson

Senior Brett Emsick in action at the plate in a game against Lincoln East. East defeated the Eagles 7-4.

another problem for the Eagles. Beginning with the game April 17 against Westside, Central will play eight games in fifteen days. Central will host Thomas Jefferson this afternoon, Abraham Lincoln Monday, and Prep May 1. The Eagles will visit Lincoln High April 26. The home games will begin at 4:30 at Lynch Field.

Pitching will play an important part if Central is to be successful. The starting rotation is fairly solid with seniors John Green, Ray Novak, and

Mancuso. "Jim Backer is our principal relief pitcher right now," said Coach Kenny. "He needs more pitching experience, but he may be a starter later on."

In addition to Backer, Mr. Kenny believes, "Scott Strain or Paul Cordes may have to fill in" as the other starter.

According to the coach, Central "has the potential to go to state." He said, "I am very optimistic. We're not a bad team. We have the potential to be a good team."

Sprinters, relays to lead Eagle squad

The girls' track team has begun its quest for a second consecutive state championship by winning two dual meets and the Grand Island Invitational meet, held April 11-12.

Although Jackie Washington is gone, Coach Joanne Dusatko believes the strength of this year's squad still lies in the sprints and relays. She said, "We have a lot of potential Jackie Washingtons. We have a lot of depth in the sprints from what we had last year, and we have some good sophomores."

Underclassmen lead sprints

In the sprints and relays, two of three pairs of sisters on the squad and a few new arrivals are at the core. Junior Wanda Hartso leads the state in the 100 meter dash with a time of twelve seconds and is second in the 400 meters, recording a time of one minute even.

The 200 meter dash is perhaps one of the Eagles' best events. Sisters Lisa and Jojo Mayhue rank in the state's top ten. Lisa is fourth with a time of 26.1 seconds; Jojo is ninth at twenty-seven seconds. Senior Sheila Harrison, a transfer from Benson, is seventh, with a time of 26.4 seconds.

In the relays, Central ranks fourth in the state in the 1600 meters, sixth in the 3200 meters, and seventh in the 400 meters

Relay teams ever-changing

According to Mrs. Dusatko, the members who make up the relay teams change every meet. "The relays always change." She explained, "It depends on how the meet is run. We don't want to overload somebody who is competing in another event. That's the advantage of having depth."

Both the distance races and

the long jump have depth said Mrs. Dusatko. Underclassmen Anne McCormick, Katie Holland and Cindy Radulovich have performed well this season. McCormick, a junior, has turned in the state's eighth fastest 1600 meter run. Said Coach Dusatko, "Katie Holland just missed winning the two-mile (3200 meters) at Grand Island. Cindy Radulovich has been doing real well in the 800."

Long jumper leads state

In contrast to the track events, the Eagles are "a little short in the weight events, the shotput and the discus," said Mrs. Dusatko. However, she said she is "hoping to see something out of Tracy Benning in the discus."

In the long jump, sophomore Denise Hart has recorded the state's best jump of seventeen feet, ten and one-half inches. Mayhue is fourth at seventeen

feet, four inches.

Two new features have appeared in track this spring. First, all running events will be run and listed in meters. In addition, all of the Metro duals will run the boys' meet and the girls' meet at the same time. Mrs. Dusatko said, "It's something new. It's being done to save money."

Boys' Coach Joe McMenemy likes the idea. "It gives a little bit of exposure to both teams. I think they perform better when they're in front of their peers."

Winners in six of last eight

May 1st and 2nd, the Eagles will try to continue their dominance of the Metropolitan Conference Meet. Central has won six of the last eight Metro titles, finishing second the other two years. Mrs. Dusatko refuses to make any predictions about this year's meet. "I never look one step ahead of where we are. In track, there are a lot of things

that can happen, like injuries," she said.

Perhaps another reason for the apprehension is the fact that Central has not faced many Metro schools in competition this season. The Millard Invitational, April 25-26, will give the Eagles their first look at most of the Metro schools outdoors. Explained Mrs. Dusatko, "Grand Island was the only big meet we have been invited to. We need more big meets."

Districts at Bellevue West

One week after the Metro meet, Central will participate in the District A-3 meet at Bellevue West. Bellevue East, Bellevue West, Westside, South, Ralston, Benson, Burke, and Central will attempt to qualify athletes for the state meet to be held next month. The Eagles have a dual meet with Benson April 29 at Norris remaining on their schedule.

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TIME OUT

By Grant Gier

Joann Sutton, CHS grad, appointed royalty

Hey, have you heard the latest? One of Central's alumni has been crowned with royalty. Yes, you read that correctly. It so happens that Joann Sutton was chosen as the Queen of the College World Series that is hosted annually by Omaha at Rosenblatt Stadium. Joann is currently enrolled as a sophomore at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Every year the sponsors of the College World Series hold a contest to determine the queen for the series. Entrants must come from the Omaha area and must also be sponsored by a college. Last year's queen also came from UNO. Joann wasn't exactly sure about the selection process. "I'm not positive how they choose the candidates; all I know is that most of the area colleges choose a representative and the sponsors of the series make the final decision," related Joann.

As I recall, Joann is no newcomer to the royalty scene. She was crowned Homecoming Queen in 1977 at Central along with Danny Goodwin as king. (Goodwin is currently a football standout at Iowa State University.) I think that the class of '78 was represented more than enough with their choice of royalty.

Miss Sutton is going to be a very busy person before and during the series. Her duties as queen entail appearances at numerous luncheons given by various service clubs of Omaha. Each club volunteers to sponsor a team in the series, so that makes quite a few meals that Joann will have to consume. (Now, that's one job I wouldn't mind at all).



Central grad Joann Sutton chosen queen of College World Series.

On top of making appearances at the luncheons, Joann must greet the players from each team as they arrive at the airport. I'm sure that ball-players won't mind that a bit. It is also Joann's responsibility along with the eight other princesses to show the players around Omaha on their off-days. She also must be present at the opening and closing ceremonies of the series. Now, I'd say that's a pretty busy schedule for an elementary education major and cheerleader.

The fringe benefits of being a C.W.S. Queen include not only the free show but also reserved seat tickets for every game of the series. That really is a treat if you've ever tried to get tickets to that packed stadium. I imagine the amount of work that a queen does entitles her to some of these extra benefits.

During the course of the school year, Joann keeps busy with her daily classes at UNO, her lifeguarding duties at UNO's pool, and by being a cheerleader for the Mavericks. Miss Sutton is more than adequately prepared to be a cheerleader and lifeguard; she was a varsity cheerleader for Central and also participated on Girls' swimming.

I'm sure that the sponsors of the C.W.S. picked the right person for the job. Sure, I am a little prejudiced by my Central convictions, but who cares? I'm sure that my congratulations to Joann are shared by the entire student body and the staff. Oh, by the way, if you make it out to the C.W.S. games, I'm sure you'll see Miss Sutton; she'll be the one down in the box seats with a crown on her head.



Junior Terry Evans sets record in squat event at 515 lbs.

Powerlifters take 2nd at state meet

Recently, the State Powerlifting Championships were held at Grand Island, Nebraska. Central's Powerlifting team finished in second place behind Omaha Northwest. Although Central did not take the state title, numerous lifters placed in the competition.

Team members Terry Evans (165 lbs.), Larry Station (220 lbs.), and Reese Freeman (HWT.) had performances that placed them at the top of their respective weight categories making them state champions. Senior Tim Washington and junior Jim VanMetre (220 lbs.) both took second place honors.

Team praised

"I felt the team as a whole did a fine job," remarked coach Joe McMenamin. "I knew that Northwest and Grand Island would be our toughest competi-

tion; we beat Grand Island but fell a little short of Northwest," related McMenamin. Central is only in its second year of fielding a powerlifting team and placing second in the state meet shows a lot of promise for the young team.

Central lifter Terry Evans was the highlight of the state meet. Evans, a junior, set a state record in the squat event. Evans successfully squatted 515 lbs. beating the old mark by 30 lbs. The achievement was a first for the Central junior. Evans previously attempted 500 lbs. at the Regional Teenage Powerlifting Tournament held in late February, but he failed at the weight. Evans felt that he was capable of making the lift and set a goal of at least 500 lbs. for the state meet.

For his record setting squat

and his other lifts, Terry received a trophy for the Outstanding Powerlifter in the tournament. There were two divisions in competition for the state titles. The first was the High School Division and the second was the Open Division which was open to lifters of any age throughout the state.

Competition requirements

All lifters were required to perform three different types of lifts, the dead-lift, benchpress, and squat-lift. The three lifts were then totalled and the person with the highest cumulative total was proclaimed the winner in each weight class.

Other Central lifters that placed in the meet were Fred Harris (114 lbs.), 3rd; Pernell Bryant (148 lbs.), 3rd; Gerald Paul (198 lbs.), 3rd; Jeff Spencer (132 lbs.), 4th; and Ed Stenger (HWT), 6th. Out of the nine finishers in the state meet, seven lettermen will be returning to next year's team making Central one of the top-rated schools in the state.

'80-'81 Varsity, J.V. cheerleaders selected

Last week, tryouts were held for the 1980-1981 varsity and junior varsity cheerleading squads.

The girls attended practices for three weeks and learned a pom-pom routine, two cheers, and basic jumps. The skills they learned those three weeks were put to use on April 16, the day tryouts were held.

The girls were judged on appearance, how well they performed the pom-pom routine, and accuracy on cheers and height of their jumps. Recommendations from teachers also played an important role on their overall scores.

The 12 varsity cheerleaders are Roxanne Bushey, Anne Conine, Nancy Culek, Sherry Freads, Mary Hansen, Angie Jech, Cindy Matya, Anne McCormick, Monica Meehan, Pam Palmer, Brenda Schuerman, and Suzie Wright.

Next year's junior varsity cheerleaders include Cece Conway, Colleen Frenking, Liz Hairston, Julie Kully, Missy Madigan, Peggy McNaughton, Lisa Pospisil, Jana Pulliam, Becky Shaw, and Barb Wright.

eagle scoreboard	
Boys Golf	Papio 193 Bellevue East 187
Baseball	Roncalli 0 Lincoln East 7 Benson 9 Westside 7
Boys Track	Roncalli 10 4th place
Girls Track	Roncalli 10 1st place
Girls Tennis	Benson 6 Marian 7 Papio 4

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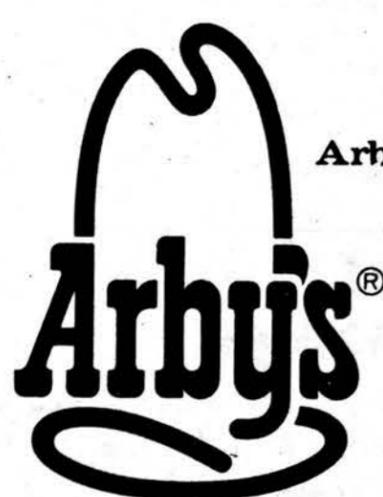


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