

Congress: Religious meetings in public schools

A law has been passed by the United States Congress stating that religious meetings of any kind are now legal in the public schools. The law was passed in late August or early summer, according to Dr. G.E. Moller, Central High principal.

Last year, Mr. Jim Martin, math teacher and boys' basketball coach, held meetings for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA). The group would meet "almost every Wednesday morning," according to Mr. Martin. According to Dr. Moller, "The FCA meetings were illegal in a way, but in another way they were not illegal. They were kind of questionable. We bent the rules. They were healthy for the school's environment and to the depth of religion very shallow. They only dealt with morality. I cautioned Mr. Martin to be careful."

Mr. Martin said, "I'm very happy to hear that meetings will be legal now, but that doesn't mean that I will now go deeper into religion. We simply advocate a serious level of commitment to living a clean life and realizing what our morals should be. We are angelized in foundation only."

Dr. Moller is not against religious meetings in school but is also not exactly for them; he tries to be neutral. "It (religious meetings) certainly can't hurt the school's environment, and it might help it, but I'm not sure about that. I feel strongly about the FCA. I feel that it is a definite asset to the school and creates a nice, moral environment."

The FCA meetings began at Central in 1975. Originally the club was not sponsored by Mr. Martin. It was sponsored by Mr. John McKell, a social studies teacher at Central at the time Mr. Martin said that the meetings were "pretty ineffective at first, but they picked up a little in 1976."

Mr. Martin said, "A lot of people probably think that we are just a bunch of fanatics. Actually, all we talk about is the corruption in the world today and how we can escape it through God. I try to encourage anyone to join FCA — not just the athletes."

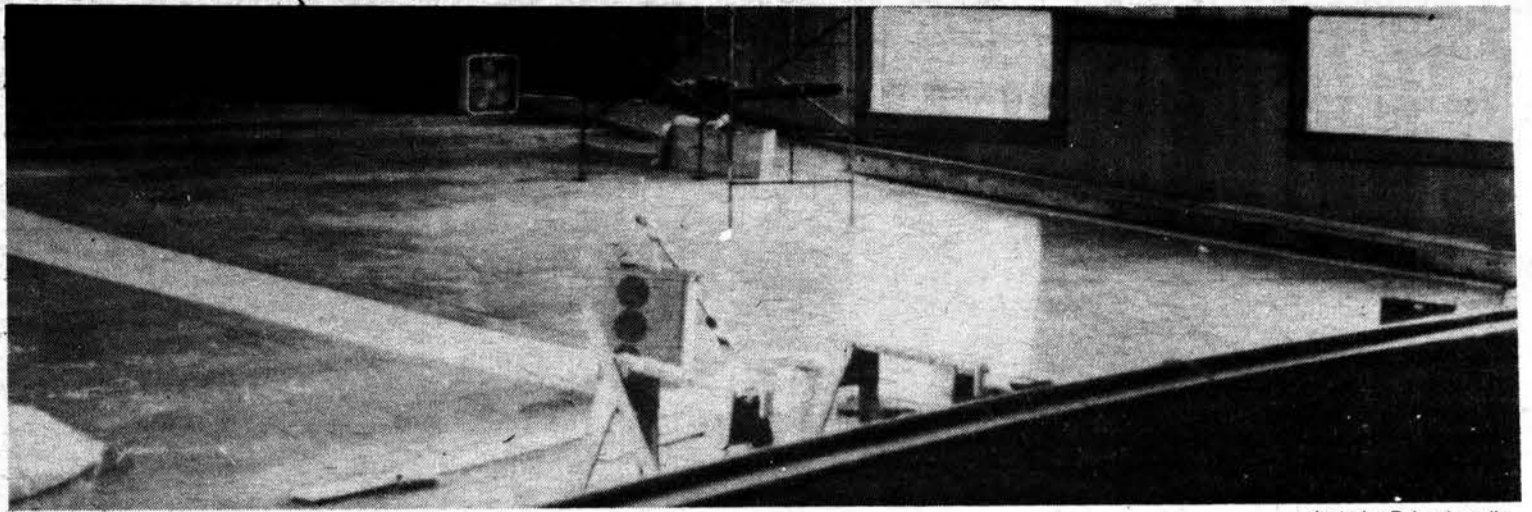


photo by Brian Lundin

A stage in the renovation of Central's auditorium. The \$350,000 project, undertaken by the Kiewit Foundation, will serve as a memorial to Peter Kiewit, a 1918 Central graduate.

Auditorium memorializes Kiewit

The welcomed renovation of Central's auditorium came about by chance.

At the beginning of the 1983-84 school year, several members of Central's faculty formed a special committee to request a computer center at Central. The committee petitioned many different organizations, but it was turned down. However, they decided to reapproach one of these organizations, the Peter Kiewit Foundation.

Central principal, Dr. G.E. Moller, acting as the committee's representative, pointed out to Peter Kiewit Foundation executive director, Mr. Ray Daniel, that since Mr. Kiewit was a Central alumnus, any funds donated to Central would be viewed as a donation to his alma mater, putting the Foundation under no obligation to donate to other public schools.

At the Foundation's next quarterly meeting, according to Miss Lyn Wallin, the Foundation's associate director, a topic of discussion was

appropriate memorials to Mr. Kiewit. They consulted former-superintendent of schools, Dr. Jack Taylor, who asked Dr. Moller to prepare a list specifying things for which Central might use a donation. These included the computer center and auditorium renovation.

The Kiewit Foundation chose to donate \$350,000 to renovate the auditorium. Construction began June 3.

Improvements include a split-delay sound system with speakers under the balcony to equalize the sound, new lights and spotlights, two new light ports, sound monitors behind backstage and in the dressing rooms.

According to Mr. Larry Hausman, Central art and stagecraft teacher, several rows of seats have been replaced by a bigger orchestra pit. He also said that a choral shell has been built to help singers project their sound.

The completion date for the project has been set at October 1.

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Dr. Schuerman heads Omaha Public Schools

Stewart Diemont

Appearing relaxed and at ease sitting behind his desk, Dr. Norbert Schuerman did not display the tenseness one might expect from a man in his position.

The Omaha Board of Education recently appointed Dr. Schuerman as the new superintendent for the OPS school district. He succeeded Dr. Jack Taylor.



photo by Brian Lundin

relaxed Dr. Schuerman sits at his desk the Joslyn Castle.

Said Dr. Schuerman, "I have been involved with education for twenty-eight years, I have worked as a teacher, a vice principal, a principal, a general administrator, an assistant superintendent, an associate superintendent, and an interim superintendent, and I have a doctorate in school management."

The school board brought Dr. Schuerman to the system in 1974 to help design a desegregation plan. According to Dr. Margaret Fitch, assistant superintendent, he chaired the task force which formed the OPS policy for desegregation.

Said Dr. Fitch, "It is appropriate that the superintendent knows what is going on in the school district, knows the needs of the school district, and is someone that has proven himself in the school district."

Said Dr. Schuerman, "My goal is to do the very best job possible for all students and provide those kinds of services needed for special students."

Dr. Schuerman intends to meet the needs more fully of "special" students, such

as gifted and talented as well as special education students. Dr. Schuerman said, "We intend to study, in more depth, the different levels of each individual pupil."

In addition to these studies, Dr. Schuerman plans studies of the OPS curriculum. Dr. Fitch commented, "Dr. Schuerman will always support a strong curriculum."

One aspect of a strong curriculum is strong graduation requirements. An organized task force is presently looking into graduation requirements and whether they are adequate, stated Dr. Schuerman.

In the future a task force will study more thoroughly whether expectations are legitimate. Issues such as increased homework and increased minimum class requirements will surface. A special task force will compare President Reagan's recommendations for high school requirements to OPS requirements and recommend changes, according to Dr. Schuerman.

Even so, the student's needs are not the only needs being considered. Dr. Schuerman stated that he intends to meet the needs of both the students and the teachers.

He said that in order to keep the good teachers and other staff members, the staff needs adequate pay. In order to achieve this end, Dr. Schuerman is considering an alternate incentives program for teachers. In other words, teachers would receive pay on the basis of their merit.

Another relationship between two groups in the OPS system is the school system's relationship with the business community. According to Dr. Schuerman, OPS intends to improve relations with the business community.

Dr. Schuerman said, "In order to improve relations, I intend to meet regularly with business groups and respond regularly to speaking engagements. By responding to the business community Dr. Schuerman hopes to improve the already-high social image of OPS. Schuerman's true feeling about his role in education can be summed up in his own personal slogan for education: reading, writing, arithmetic, and responsibility."

Picture contract stirs controversy

by Karl Hulac

The 1985 Central O-Book picture contract with Wandel Studios was voided after a summer of outwardly successful senior portrait sessions as a result of complaints issued by the Association of Professional Photographers of Greater Omaha.

Originally, area studios bid on photography contracts with various Omaha Public Schools, and Wandel won the right to a one-year contract with Central.

The contract was an agreement that "the studio would have access to students and take senior pictures," according to Mr. T.M. Gaherty, O-Book advisor. He also explained that the studio would provide the color for the senior picture section which runs from about \$1,200 - \$1,500. The studio would aid in taking group and club pictures in addition to this service.

No immediate complaints

There were no immediate complaints, but, as Dr. G.E. Moller, Central principal, pointed out, "The contracts were called into question after a four-year contract was formed between Burke High School and Wandel."

Dr. Moller explained that the Burke contract was more valuable, due to the closeness of Burke to the studio on West Dodge Road and to the contract's length. When questioned of the fairness of the protest he said, "I question that it is legitimate. All photographers had a chance to bid and lost."

Dr. Moller said that it was made clear to students that those who wanted their pictures in the senior section would have to have their pictures taken at Wandel. This process was free with no obligation to buy any of the photos.

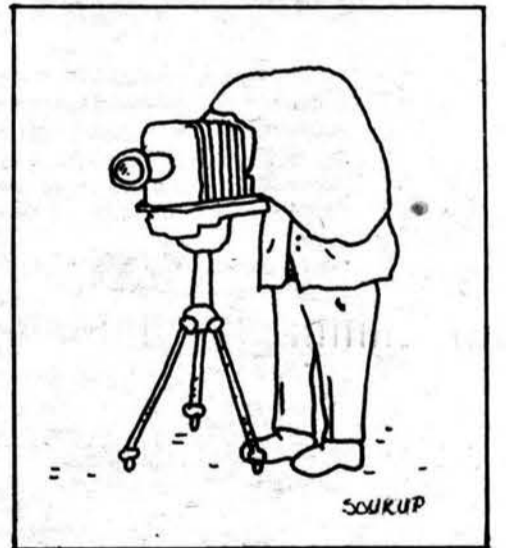
"We never said to our students, 'You have to go to this certain photographer for your senior pictures.' It (the contract) was just intended for a matter of control, quality and uniformity to create a better yearbook."

Wandel disappointed

Tom Wandel, owner of Wandel Studios, expressed disappointment with the way things turned out. He said, "The studios should have voiced their complaints earlier. It was a lot of work for me to get the contracts, and, in order for them to have been financially beneficial for the studio, it would have

been necessary for them to be in effect for several years."

"Even before the contract was cancelled," Wandel said, "I was hurt by letters (of advertisement) which other studios sent out to seniors." He went on to tell how the letters along with negotiations between Omaha Public Schools' attorneys and The Photographers Association complicated and diluted the contract, adding to the studio's financial loss.



Negotiations

On the contract negotiations Wandel said, "The studios either wanted the contract or court." He said that OPS was not willing to carry the matter into a court of law, and he personally could not afford to further jeopardize his studio business for the fall.

As a result of this deadlock, both Central and Burke High's contracts were voided, but, as of Friday, September 1, Dr. Gary Bennett, assistant to the superintendent of schools, said, "We have reached an agreement with all sides on principles." He went on to say that a document is being written which satisfies all involved parties. The Board will review and release this document.

Meanwhile, Mr. Gaherty said, "The Central O-Book staff will have to tighten belts some in order to get by on this year's budget, but the color was promised to the seniors."

2 Calendar mixup causes steambath

School Year	Open	Close
1984-85	August 27	May 31
1983-84	August 29	June 1
1982-83	August 30	June 3
1981-82	August 31	June 4
1980-81	September 2	June 5

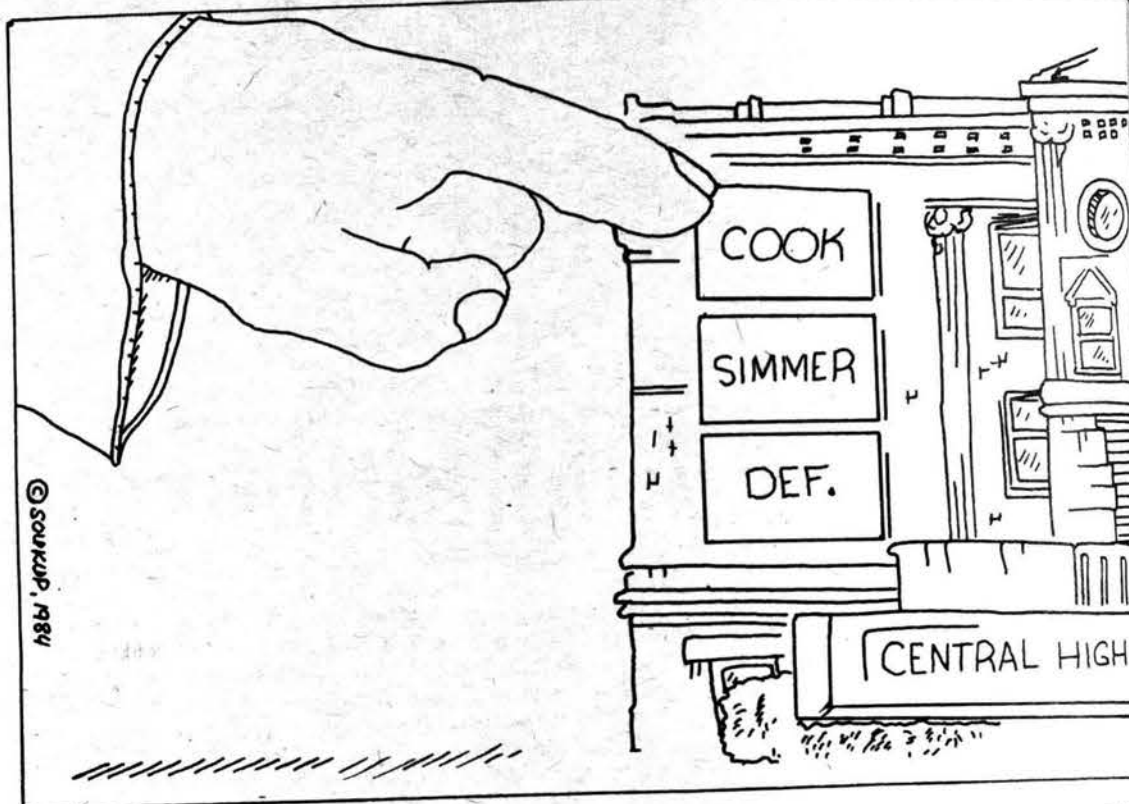
School should not be in session during the summer. But it's not any one person's fault that "back to school" resembled "back to the steambath" this year. Due to busing routes, cafeteria budgets, and the amount of time necessary for one legal "day" of school, early dismissal is an empty gesture. When students have been in school for six hours already, one more won't make a big difference. The OPS calendar, under which students are now living (and sweating), is the result of a survey taken two years ago.

The School Calendar Committee meets once every two years. Including students, teachers, and administrators, this committee makes up three or four different calendars which are sent to groups such as student councils, parents, and staff members. According to Dr. Gary Bennett, Assistant to the Superintendent, the surveys reach the Board of Education, which selects the "number 1" choice as the calendar for the next two years.

"We had that (fixed schedule policy) three to four years ago," Dr. Bennett said. On this schedule, schools opened after Labor Day and closed soon after Memorial Day. This year, students would have had to stay in school until the second week of June, Dr. Bennett said. He justified the "open early — close early" policy with examples of parochial schools, which follow this trend. If OPS stayed in session until June, "what would that do to (students') part-time jobs?" Dr. Bennett asked. Additionally, staff members who wish to continue their own education would be teaching instead of attending summer school.

However, these reasons only defend this year's schedule. This fall a new School Calendar Committee will plan calendars for 1985 through 1987. If they continue the early trend, students next year will endure more heat and early dismissals. Nebraska weather may be hard to predict two years from now, but, as Dr. G.E. Moller, Central principal, said, when school begins earlier in the year, "the pattern is considerably higher temperatures."

The Register believes that fixed dates for school openings and closings would be preferable to a confusing series of debates, surveys, and choices. The decision of when to open school could rest with the School Board, whose members are qualified to make this decision. School traditionally begins in fall - Let's keep it that way.



"Scurvies" avoided easily

The first quarter of school (ah, what a cherished thought) is the time when the juniors and seniors potty-train the sophomores. This is when last year's sophomores hand down all their frustration and humiliation to the new crop of "little sophomores."

Does this sound like something you needed ever since the first day you enter the doors of our beloved Central High School? Yes, you say? Well, do I have a solution for you! For a short time only (and for a small donation), I will make this guide available to you.

To receive your copy of "Escape the Scuffmore Syndrome in Six Easy Lessons" simply take the closest elevator to room 610.

*Note: Elevator passes available by Thrift, senior-at-large.

From Me to You



LeAnne Lovings

During this adjustment period, sophomores find themselves being blamed for nearly every little thing that goes wrong: "I didn't get a parking spot because some 'little sophomore' hogged two spaces," "I can't have a single locker because they are allowing too many sophomores to enter OUR school," "I'm failing chemistry because the sophomore in front of me has too big of a head, and I can't read the notes on the board," "My allergies are acting up because the sophomore sitting next to me sleeps with her cat." (You get the picture?)

Sophomores, you are making it way too easy for juniors and seniors to spot you. You must remember that we (the senior class and half of the junior class) are a very intelligent and experienced species. We make it a game to seek out and humiliate you and your fellow sophomores. You are helping us dearly by wearing T-shirts advertising "Class of '87" and tripping over more-than-obvious doorsteps.

We don't mean to be unfair. It's just that it is in our blood (as you will soon find it in your blood, also) to force cruel and unusual punishment onto you poor, little sophomores.

I ask you, sophomores, are you tired of being naive enough to spend your hard-earned money on things such as hall passes and vending machine tokens? Tired of being stupid enough to ask seniors for directions? Tired of dressing like Madonna?

If you answered yes to one or more of these questions, I can help you. You can rid yourself of the sophomore scurvies!

Because I am a sympathetic senior, I have put together a guide (in the form of a pamphlet) full of helpful hints to help you maneuver your way through your sophomore year, unblemished and unscared.

This guide, which I have cleverly entitled "Escape the Scuffmore Syndrome in Six Easy Lessons," can teach you to hold your head up in a mature fashion and have the self-confidence that I have mustered from these difficult high school years. Let's face it, this is not an easy task. However, (lucky for you) when I see a challenge, I hit it head-on.

This guide can also help you to face things such as: club initiations, embarrassing ridicule, and peer denial (better known as no socialifeitis).

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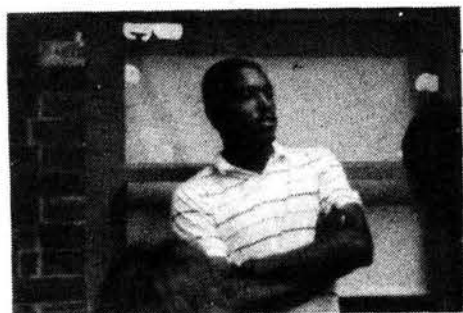
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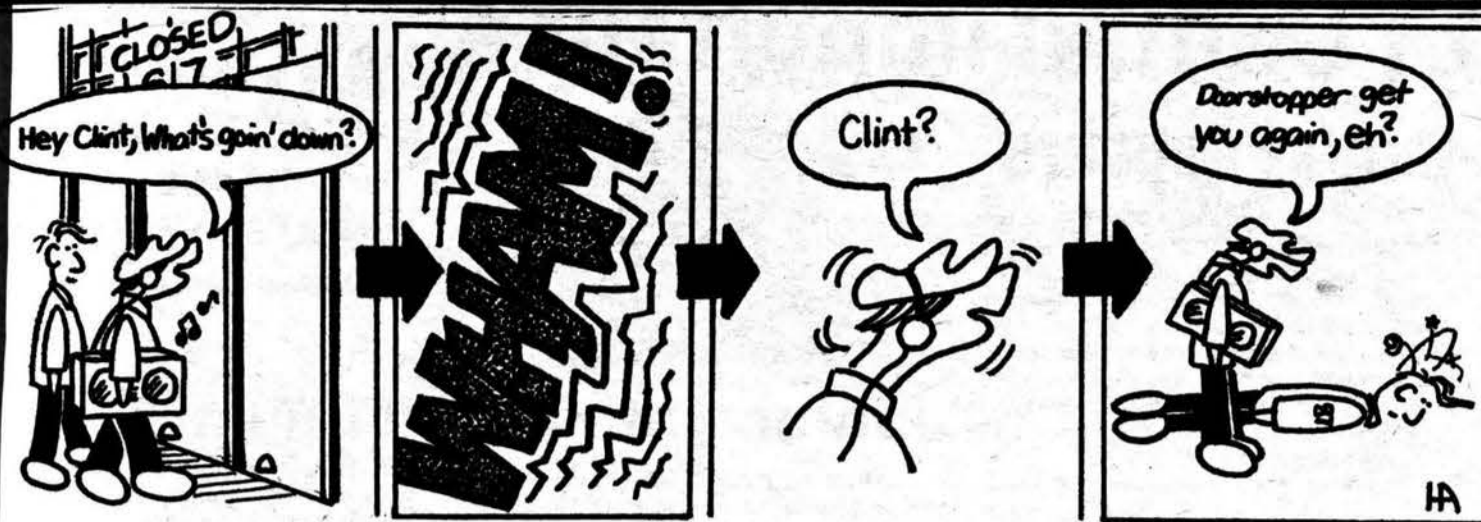


This year, the nearly 600-member senior class will be offered first choice at 100 free parking permits. As a result, "very few juniors and sophomores will be able to get permits," according to Central principal Dr. G.E. Moller. The student lot has 75 parking stalls; the faculty lot contains 117 and is "nearly full now," Dr. Moller said. Of these students were informed and asked for their opinions and possible solutions.

Derek Jones, junior and "sometime" driver: "It's a real hassle since we have so many students. I think the school should get a new lot." (top left) Lisa Hulac, sophomore and carpooler: "The seniors deserve it — they deserve their privileges. The ones who can't get a space will have to park on the street. That's their problem." (bottom left)

Craig Herreman, senior and driver: "I really don't mind it. I think they ought to build more (lots) because they don't have any space." (bottom right) Mark Anderson, senior and driver: "I think we should trade lots with the teachers — there's plenty of spaces in there." (top right)





Students like busy summer

While some Central students spent their summer vacation basking in the sun, other students turned to summer camps and institutes to fill their vacation hours.

Six Central students attended Nebraska Scholars' Institute (NSI) held on the University of Nebraska at Lincoln campus, June 17-29.

The participants stayed in the dorms and participated in one of five major areas. These areas included: communications, integrated arts, journalism, math science, and social sciences.

The students participating in the NSI program were seniors, Debra Carter, Communications; Tami Hammerstrom, Math/Science; Kari Hulac, Journalism; Kris Lawson, Journalism; and LeAnne Lovings, Journalism.

The UNL campus also hosted both boys and girls state, June 3-9. Van Argyrakis, senior, and Tim Gaherty, senior, attended boys state, and Debra Carter, senior, and Gwen Oberman, senior, attended girls state.

Seniors, Kris Lawson, Lauri Meadowcroft, Amy Meek, and Jenny Sturek, spent July 29-31 attending the Nebraska Conference of Youth, also held on the UNL campus.

The participants attended daily lectures in which guest speakers, such as Congressman Hal Daub and Nancy Chandler spoke to them.

Anita Barnes, junior, spent five weeks of her vacation at the University of Minnesota attending Math/Computer Science Summer Institute. The institute lasted from June 24 to July 27. Anita was the only student from Nebraska to attend. She said that she made many good friends through this experience.

A journalism workshop at UNL took five days of senior Kris Lawson's summer. Kris stated that she never thought seriously about journalism until she attended this workshop. "It taught me how to work hard," Kris said.

Arthur Kosowsky, senior, was one of only two Nebraskans to attend Telluride Association's Summer Program held at Cornell University in New York, July 1 through August 11.

Arthur was one of fourteen students that studied the novel in society.

Anneliese Festersen, senior, was one of approximately two-thousand campers that attended the National Music Camp in Interlochen, Michigan, from June 24 to August 20. While attending the camp, Anneliese majored on the flute in band. She also took silkscreening and beginning winds classes. "I learned a lot about music and made friends from all over the world," said Anneliese.

Linda Andrews, senior, and Heather Short, senior, also attended music-oriented camps. Linda attended the University Academy of Music, an institute through which students tour Europe. Linda traveled through Italy, France, Switzerland, and England.

Heather, this year's marching band drum major, attended the Marching Auxillary of America held at Iowa State University, July 17-20.

AP exam results prove excellent

by Jay Hinsley

The scores on last year's Advanced Placement (AP) final exams, which cost students \$40-45 per test, were excellent compared to recent trends, according to Dr. E. Moller, Central principal.

The AP exams are popular with many honors students because they provide an opportunity to gain college credit hours. Last year's student did especially well on the AP math exam, instructed by Mr. John Waterman, math department head at Central.

According to Waterman, "Last year, the pace of the class was very rigorous. This year we have slowed up the pace because we have too many dropouts from the class. You either have the math ability or you don't. You can't fake it. A lot of people are overwhelmed when they come into the class."

Last year's class consisted of twenty students. Of the twenty students, nine took the exam. These included five seniors, three juniors, and one sophomore. Normally, only seniors take the exam. Dr. Moller, who was aware of the number of non-seniors who took the exam said, "That is truly unusual and amazing. I have never seen that happen before; at least I don't remember that I have."

The AP scores are graded on a scale of 5 to 1 (a "5" being excellent). Of the nine who took the exam in math, eight received a score of "5". The one who did not receive a "5", received a "4", which is similar to a "2" in a normal class.

Last year's result was "one of the best in many years at Central," according to Dr. Moller. Overall, Central did well compared to

other high schools in Nebraska. There were fifty-two students who took at least one AP exam last year. Dr. Moller said that this number is very high, and one of the best in the state.

Waterman said that Central was the only school in the state to take the AP Math exam (calculus BC) last year. He said that Central is recognized as being the best in the state in math and is respected by universities such as the Metropolitan Institute of Technology (MIT).

Waterman said, "Last year was my first year to teach the class, so I must have done something right. This year, I started out with twenty-one students and now it's down to sixteen. I'm trying to slow down so I can avoid a lot of the dropouts, but AP math and AP physics always have the most dropouts. Anita Barnes (the sophomore who took the test last year) is in differential equations this year, so we'll just have to make up another class for her senior year. There's always something."

In addition to the math students doing well on their AP exams, English students and American history students also did well on last year's AP exams.

According to Mr. Dan Daly, English department head and A.P. English instructor, ninety-two percent of the students who took the exam received a score of "3" or better, as compared to the 1983 figure of eighty-six percent. Mr. Daly said, "If you get a "3", you are recommended for credit at most institutions. It's the best result in many years."

Of the thirty-one AP English students enrolled last year, twenty-five took the exam.

"The AP test is not based on a body of knowledge that you can study. I just teach the students a great variety of things and hope that it is on the test, but there is no way of knowing," Mr. Daly said.

He added that the exam is divided into two sections: an objective section and an essay section.

Mr. Jack Blanke, social studies department head and AP American history instructor, said, "Compared to all my years at Central, our results last year were very good. Thirty out of thirty-four received a "3" or above. Although it has to do with good teaching also, I give full credit to the students. They're a good bunch of kids."

According to Mr. Blanke, only thirty-four of sixty-five students took the exam last year, which is much lower than usual. Mr. Blanke said, "Usually most of the students will go on to take the AP exam if not for the credits, then for the practical experience in taking a college exam."

Mr. Daly had the honor of being one of the AP English exam graders in New Jersey last year. He stayed in New Jersey for eight days. It was his first experience as an AP grader. He said that he hopes they will invite him back next year.

Mr. Daly commented, "Judging by what I saw while correcting the exams, it would have made no difference what we studied. What matters is how you study it. The schools that did the best were the east coast prep schools, which are highly selective. Some of our students did just as well as the east coast students, though. We did quite well last year."

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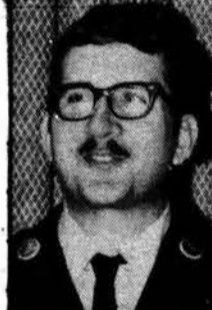
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Tryouts finish

Tryouts for this year's musical, **Fiddler On The Roof**, were held September 4-7. Mr. Bob McMeen, vocal music teacher, and Mrs. Pegi Stommes, drama teacher, held the auditions on-stage and in room 149. Mr. McMeen noted that a lot of strong singers, actors, and actresses were present and that there was "good, major competition for the lead roles, or all the parts for that matter."

On September 11, the final cast list was produced, and is as follows:

Teve	Stewart Diemont
Golde	Jill Anderson
Tzeitel	Chris Gossin
Hodel	Michelle Seizys
Shavira	Jill Stommes
Shprintz	Terry Scholar
Bielke	Julie Ashley
Yente	Liz O'Keefe
Motel	Ray Johnson
Perchik	James Keene
Lazar Wolf	Todd Peppers
Mordcha	Pete Holmes
Grandma Tzeitel	Jeanine Trimm
Fruma-Sarah	Wendy Novicoff
Constable	Randy Underwood
Rabbi	Joe Russo
Mendel	John Pavel
Avrahm	Dan Mirvish
Nachum	Jay Baker
Fyedka	Michael Rheiner
Sasha	Carrie Roberts
Shandah	David Pansky
Yussel	Bill Gehrig

Plus special dream dancers, bottle dancers, and the chorus.

Fiddler On The Roof was first presented by Harold Prince at the Imperial Theatre, New York City, on September 22, 1964. The story is set in the little Russian village Anatevka and evolves around Teve, a dairyman, and his five daughters, Tzeitel, Hodel, Chava, Shprintz, and Bielke. Although Teve's "precariously balanced world" often threatens to come down around him, he manages to keep his wry sense of humor about himself, his family, and his God.

Central's production of the play is scheduled for November 9, 10, and 11.

Center appears

Central High is adding a new twist to the foreign language department. This year a foreign language enrichment center will be located in room 226. Foreign language students will have the chance to do remedial and enrichment work outside of class. Under the supervision of Mrs. Daryl Bayer, CHS foreign language teacher, Mr. John Frakes, German and French teacher, and two students from Creighton University.

Everyday, from 11 a.m. until 3:30 or 4 p.m., the center will be open to assist students in all foreign languages, including Latin.

"The Enrichment center will help students stay interested in foreign language," says Mr. Frakes, the originator of the idea. "As long as they use the center, they won't be as likely to flunk their foreign language class."

Mr. Frakes came upon the idea last year, but he couldn't obtain a room for the purpose. After working with upward-bound students at Creighton this summer, Mr. Frakes decided to finally bring his idea to Central.

"Most colleges have this type of program, I figured why not a high school?"

With the help from assistant principal Mr. A.A. LaGreca, room 226 was decided on for the center during study hall time and after school. Tapes and video cassettes concerning languages and countries will be available.

Mrs. Bayer says the center will benefit all language students, especially those who need one-on-one conversations and out-of-class help.

For the students from Creighton, the enrichment center will be a part-time job, for which they will receive payment and college credits.

"All the foreign language teachers are enthusiastic about it," says Mrs. Bayer. "It is really to the students' benefit."

The teachers plan to move the enrichment center, if it proves successful, to a full classroom next year.



photo by Scott Hoburg

Junior wins award for service

Central High junior Tim Kilgore is this year's recipient of the state Youth of the Year award, given to him for his service to the community, academic achievement, church involvement, and activities at the Boys' Club of Omaha.

Tim's neighbor, Mr. Andrew Veland, an elderly man who is deaf, suffers from diabetes, and is an amputee, is one of the many that received a helping hand from Tim. Tim has done many jobs for Mr. Veland, including running errands, cutting grass, shovelling snow, washing dishes, and cleaning the house. Sometimes, he just simply provides company and conversation.

Tim started helping Veland about two months after his legs were amputated. "I just did it to help someone I have known all my life," Tim said.

Junior Tim Kilgore won an award for outstanding volunteer work.

Junior Miss welcomes Centralites

Each fall the City of Omaha Parks and Recreation Department presents the Omaha Junior Miss Promotional Community Program, a nationally promoted community tribute to outstanding high school senior girls. Mrs. Cyndi Whitfield, Public Relations Parks and Recreation Director, provided pageant applications to Central's counseling office in an effort to encourage any interested senior girls to apply. The application deadline is October 11. Accepted applications will be notified by mail.

According to Ms. Sue Linehan, the pageant's producer, if there are at least twenty participants in the program this year, Mr. Gary Baker, Junior Miss' director, will award two titles, the Junior Miss title and the Douglas County Junior Miss. He would like to attract more county-wide participants. Both winners will attend the State Junior Miss Program in Blair, Nebraska.

In the past five years, two Central seniors have been awarded the Omaha Junior Miss title, Anne Conine and Lisa Walker. Both received scholarships and

prizes from local businesses.

This year Junior Miss offers two scholarships plus two \$625 full-time modeling scholarships to Nancy Bo School of Modeling prep course. A variety of merchandise donated by local merchants, awards for best presentation and most spirit as well as scholastic achievement will also be awarded.

In the two weeks preceding pageant, the girls will be busy with make-up, modeling, wardrobe instruction, and pro rehearsals.

This year's show will open with a dance by the contestants to "Thriller." A number will be performed to "Ghostbusters." The girls will be judged on their talent presentations, poise, and physical fitness demonstrated by a dance routine done "The Adams Family."

Tickets for the October 29 show \$4.25 for adults, \$3.25 for students. Advance tickets can be purchased from the participants themselves or from any of eleven Omaha Community Centers.



photo by Lisa Larson

Miss Jerrie Harris teaches her fashion merchandising class.

Career Day inspires class

Two years ago, on a Career Day at Central, 125 students waited to hear a speech on careers in fashion. The scheduled speaker failed to come. Miss Jerrie Harris, a Central marketing teacher, filled in for the absent speaker. The feedback on her speech was so enthusiastic that Central's administration and business departments began discussing a fashion merchandising course with Miss Harris as its instructor.

The course formed on a trial basis. Fliers were given to students at the end of the 1984 school year outlining the new course and encouraging anyone interested to sign up. Miss Harris now has sixty students in her two classes.

Areas studied include an introduction to the fashion world, history of fashion, materials of fashion, store organization, and selling and sales promotion. There will also be fashion research projects.

Miss Harris wants the class to be "hands on (experience) versus textbook lectures." She will prepare her students for jobs in the market, so that by Christmas "they will be ready to work." Some students will have department store jobs found on their own, while others will work at thirty-six-hour internships for Apparel and Accessories.

As for the merchandising job market, Miss Harris said, "We are currently in a market where they cannot find enough people to work." She also feels that fashion merchandising is the most selective industry.

Companies are looking for top ability so they don't have to completely train their employees. They are looking for enthusiasm, experience, and education, all of which she tries to incorporate into her classroom.

If the course's enrollment is maintained, and the students remain enthusiastic, fashion merchandising could become a permanent part of Central's curriculum.

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Although some administrators did disagree, the OPS School Board changed all half-credit courses to full-credit courses.

When asked about the change in half-credit courses to full-credit courses, Dr. G.E. Moller, Central principal, gave a small frown showing his disagreement with the situation. He stated that former Superintendent of Schools Dr. Jack Taylor felt that all schools should be uniform. Dr. Moller said that one of Dr. Taylor's favorite sayings was, "We are a school system, not a system of schools."

Dr. Moller argued very strongly that each high school has unique characteristics, a unique student body, and unique capabilities,

therefore, should not be uniform with the schools in the OPS system.

Dr. Moller also said, "Here we are in an era where extreme pressure is placed on schools to increase academic excellence and we take a giant step backwards. But we are currently in the process of raising the number of credits required for student graduate."

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Salerno adapts to Central



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Salerno, sophomore, is happy to be central.

The stairs are a daily obstacle most Centralites must tackle, but, for one student, they present no problem.

William Salerno, sophomore, doesn't worry about the stairs, but rather if he will be able to catch the elevator in time for his next class. Bill is in a wheelchair, paralyzed since birth with spina bifida.

Bill came to Central from Norris Junior High because of the "academic quality found at Central."

Problems would seem to exist for Bill, but using the elevator between classes and having a five minute passing period have helped him to handle Central with few difficulties.

Mrs. Geri Thomas, school nurse, said that Bill came up before school started in August and "checked things out." He now checks in with Mrs. Thomas every day to "touch base" but hasn't had a major problem.

The people at Central have helped him more than anything else. Bill was excited to find Central's students helpful, friendly, and understanding.

After school Bill leads a busy life. He has a job at Loziers and enjoys hobbies such as stamp collecting and playing video games, football, basketball, and baseball with his cousins.

Bill's love of sports has led him to the Special Olympics where he has won gold and silver medals in racing and softball.

In the future Bill plans on going to college at either UNL or UNO and pursuing a career in business administration.

Student drowns at Manawa

A tragic accident this past July took the life of Central High School senior Scott Sterenberg.

According to senior Don Krueger, Scott had been swimming at Lake Manawa in Council Bluffs with a neighborhood friend when the friend noticed that Scott was having difficulty staying above water.

Although Scott was eventually taken to shore, attempts to save him failed.

Don commented that Scott was the kind of person who was "always in a good mood, fun to be around, and never got depressed about anything."

Outside of school, Scott participated in various athletic activities. In spring he was part of a bowling league and played on a

team called The Untouchables along with Central seniors Jay Hinsley, John Miller, and Ray Johnson.

In addition to bowling, Scott played softball beginning in May for Omaha Petersen Softball team. Don said that Scott played both catcher and left field. Don added that Scott played a lot of neighborhood football, too.

Ray said Scott was "always a good friend. If you needed him, he'd help." Mike Beck echoed Ray's opinion by saying that Scott "stuck by his friends."

Scott's friend Gregg Hammer stated that Scott was "really a great guy."

Mrs. Geri Zerse, Central counselor, described Scott's character as "very pleasant. He was sociable and the kind of boy that people liked."



photo by Brian Lundin

Jello Craddock is faced with a difficult decision: "Should I take Gia Ciummo, Brooke Rose, or Heather Hammans to homecoming?"

Homecoming dance approaches

by Karl Hulac

Brring, brrring. "Hello," a female voice says. "Ah, ah, ah... this is Marvin from your home ec class and, well, ah... I was just wondering if you'd like to accompany me to the dance next Saturday because, well, I think you're really a swell girl and..." "Drop dead, Marvin."

Sound familiar, guys? Well, maybe not that familiar, but for some guys the trauma of asking a girl out often makes Saturday night "Dukes of Hazzard" sound entertaining.

This year it seems like times and traditions are changing. Many girls are tired of waiting for shy or just plain lazy guys to ask them out. Central's homecoming dance may be the perfect opportunity for many girls to take the upper hand in the dating game.

One Central senior girl says, "I think it's great because that's what I'm going to do!"

Some of the guys, though, are a little reluctant to give up their control. Ray Agosta, senior, said, "No, I don't think it's okay for girls to ask guys. It's not tradition. Maybe for Christmas dance." All Marty Feichtinger had to say was "terrible."

Joe Pepitone, senior, looks at things from a more liberal standpoint. "I think it's good. Men nowadays like more aggressive, outgoing women — especially shy guys. This is the eighties!"

Whether you decide to go "stag or drag," the 1984 homecoming festivities promise to be as exciting as ever.

The theme is Purple Reign, inspired by Prince's hit song and the movie "Purple

Rain." Spirit Week, September 24-28, will attempt to arouse true purple spirit among Centralites with events planned by cheerleading and promsquad members. Spirit Week leads up to the two highlights of homecoming, the football game against Benson on Friday and the dance on Saturday.

"This is our fall social event," Mr. Richard Jones, Central assistant principal, said. "Things run a bit earlier this year due to the scheduling of home football games." Before the 7:30 p.m. game at Berquist Stadium, the traditional parade will take place. "We are still deciding on the parade. Hopefully it will be the same route as last year," Mr. Clyde Lincoln, cheerleading sponsor said. The parade includes decorated cars, marching band, cheerleaders, and promsquad members. A prize goes to the best float.

In addition to their labors of decorating for Spirit Week, cheerleading and promsquad members are busy preparing for the dance, which will be held at the Airport Ramada Inn from 8:00-12:00. Tickets will be \$5.00 for singles and \$10.00 for couples.

Music for the dance will be provided by DJ Skeet. Mr. Lincoln commented that there were some problems with live bands in the past. He said they tended to play only one type of music which generated some complaints. "The DJ is less expensive and plays more varieties of music," he explained.

The main event of the dance is the announcement of homecoming King and Queen.

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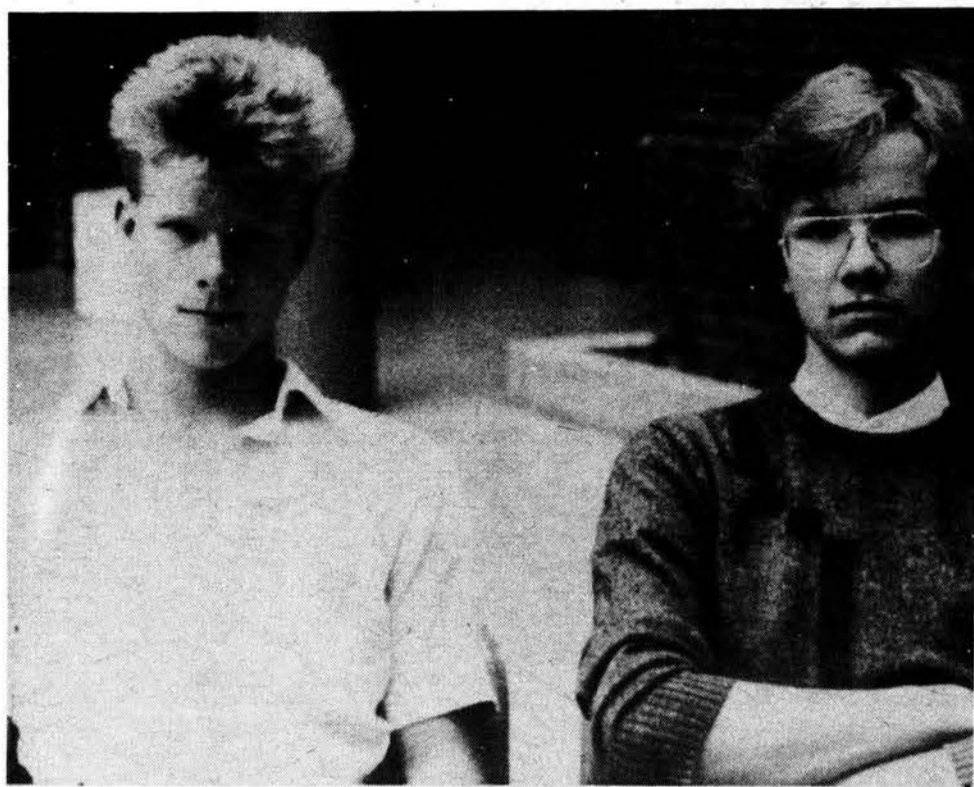


photo by Lisa Larson

Andreas Lullau and Fritz Felgentreu are just a few of the new students at Central this year.

New students at Central

The closing of Tech, a large sophomore class, and new boundary lines have brought many new students to Central. Two new students had to cross more than a boundary line to get here.

Fritz Felgentreu, junior, and Andreas Lullau, senior, came to Central from Germany. Both are here as foreign exchange students. Fritz came through the Youth For Understanding program, and Andreas came through the Educational Foundation.

"... America much stricter on teenagers ..."

Both Fritz and Andreas have been in America for about a month, but both say that they have adjusted well.

Fritz comes from Wesselburen, where he attends school six days a week. In Fritz's home school he takes "eleven unchosen classes." He stated that Omaha's school

system "was very different" and that Central was really big.

Andreas comes from Leverkusen, near Cologne. His school system is also very different, and he has had some problems understanding his teachers who "speak very fast."

Both found American teenagers the same as in Germany although they are not allowed to do as much. Fritz found that society in America is "much stricter on the teenagers than in Germany."

Fritz and Andreas will lose a year of school back home but don't regret spending a year in America.

Andreas has become involved in football, a game he never played before. His experience in soccer helped him to become a kicker for the football team at Central.

Fritz has had a very easy time adjusting to English, since his parents teach English in Germany.

Flood, fire at Central

On Friday morning, June 29, Mr. Lloyd Fitch, a Central math teacher, arrived at Central earlier than usual to prepare for his summer school classes. He had pulled a muscle playing softball the day before and could not sleep. At 6:00 a.m., he was the only one at Central. As he walked toward the building, he saw what he at first thought was steam coming from an outside vent near the boiler room. Then he realized it was smoke. The fire alarm came on, rang for thirty seconds, went off, and came on again for a minute before stopping.

Mr. Fitch waited for Mr. Elsa Tabor, a Central engineer, who arrived at 6:15. Together they entered the building which was full of smoke and without lighting. They made their way to the first floor office and turned off the security alarm.

Damage estimated at about \$75,000

According to Mr. Fitch, he and Mr. Tabor knew the fire was contained in the boiler room and thought that someone had set a trash bin on fire. Mr. Tabor went downstairs to pinpoint the location of the fire and then called the fire department.

"The fire department responded with a lot of manpower," said Mr. Fitch. The fire was put out within twenty minutes. The cause of the fire was an electrical short in the main power supply control box.

Mr. A.A. LaGreca, Central administrator, said that the quick action taken by Mr. Fitch and Mr. Tabor prevented extensive damage to the school. He estimated damage to the power supply box at about \$75,000.

Mr. Richard Jones, Central administrator, arrived at Central at 7:00 a.m. He called Dr. Norbert Shuerman, Superintendent of Omaha Public Schools, to report the fire. Mr. Jones also spoke to the assistant

superintendent, Mr. Myrton Hall, who decided to cancel first hour of summer school to allow time for the building to be fumigated. But because the Omaha Public Schools District had shut off Central's power and damage could not be immediately repaired, summer school was cancelled for the year.

Students who were already waiting outside were told to stay clear. Mr. Fitch said the students were very cooperative.

The fire department said it would take at least two weeks for power to be restored, but a contractor repaired the damage, working from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. Saturday, and Sunday. Summer school resumed as usual on Monday morning.

Another ravage of nature struck Central soon after the fire. On Saturday morning, August 18, Mr. Jim Merryfield, Central's newly named chief engineer, "just happened to go upstairs to buff the floors on the floor, first side. He noticed that the boards around room 315 were damaged. He unlocked the door and a quarter-inch of water covering the floor streamed out.

Papertowels had apparently clogged a slowly running sink in 415, the room above 315, and the water had soaked through the ceiling of 315, settling on the floor. "I don't think of it as an accident," said Mr. Merryfield. He replaced the ceiling tiles and the floor dry in two days. Carpenters replaced baseboards that had pulled away from the walls.

According to Mr. T.M. Gaherty, Central journalism teacher, about twenty creative writing books were damaged.

Some of the books need to be replaced, along with some copies used for the Register and Outlook.

Despite this damage, Mr. Gaherty felt fortunate that no important files were destroyed.

Students visit Europe

Every year there are a number of Central students who spend part of their summer months abroad. This year was definitely no exception as these particular students illustrate.

Heather Hammans, Gwen Oberman, and Karen McCormick, seniors, planned their visits abroad through NACEL, a student exchange program. (Information about the program may be obtained in the foreign language office.)

Heather and Gwen went to France, and Karen went to Germany. The three travelers went to the countries that correspond to the language they are studying.

Both Karen and Gwen have visited Europe previously. Karen went to Germany two years ago, and Gwen visited France just last summer.

Heather, visiting France for the first time, found things to be a little different from what she expected. "It wasn't what I expected," she said. "Paris was a lot more American."

All three students stayed with families for one month. "It's not a big tour. You're just staying with a family," said Gwen. All three feel that it is an adventure that can not be understood until experienced personally.

Another group of Central seniors toured Israel. Dana Wayne, Daniel Mirvish, and Steve Berman were all part of the Ramah Pilgrimage. Their stay centered around the Goldstein Youth Village in Jerusalem. Of the 135 students that participated, thirty-two were from Kansas City, Omaha, Des Moines, or Lincoln.

The students spent six weeks touring and hiking around the country. One four-day period was spent camping in the Negev. On one hiking trip the students explored a forty-foot waterfall. They also went snorkeling in the Red Sea.

Daniel Mirvish, who lived in Israel as a small child, visited relatives. He spent one week of his stay at an archeological dig called Gamla, in the Golan Heights.

He found the Israeli culture extremely different from that of the United States. "There are lots of guns and army people

everywhere," he said. "The Israelis today," Dan said, "because they feel they may not be a tomorrow."

According to Dan, the Israelis visit the United States in three ways: break-dancing, Michael Jackson, and disco.

Some Central students went to Europe with their families or with other programs.

Natalie Brown, senior, visited the Netherlands through Lions International. She learned about the program through her sister, who went to Europe through the club. Natalie speaks French but was unable to go to France because of the language requirement. (The France trip requires participants to be seventeen.)

"...the Eiffel Tower and a Coke..."

Natalie stayed with a family in Belgium for one month. "If you want to see Europe with a family, and see how a family lives, this is the way," she said.

David Pansing, sophomore, spent three days overseas, three days in France and seven days in England. He spent the summer group called U-SEE Summer Enrichment experience, sponsored by Kearney State College.

Thirty students, mostly from Nebraska, went on the tour. David was the only person from Omaha. He learned about the program from a newspaper article in the World-Herald.

"I would definitely do it again," he said. "You just don't know what it's like until you've been there."

Marcia Peters, senior, also took a trip abroad, but she went with her family. They went to Paris and Lourdes, France, Lisbon, Portugal. Of the 200 people participating in this tour, 150 were from Nebraska. Only about ten were under the age of twenty.

Marcia plans to return to Europe some type of college program. As she said, "How often do you sit in front of the Eiffel Tower and drink a Coke?"

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Salerno leads CHS tennis team

The Central High tennis team might just be ready to emerge from the rather large shadow created by its fall counterpart, foot-leading the way could be one of Central's most talented and unique athletes.

Joe Salerno has gained national attention for his skills on the tennis court. Last year he ranked number one in the Missouri and 35th nationally in the fourteen and fifteen age group by the ATP computer.

These include a national tournament sponsored by Disneyland, where he placed in the top eight among 32 of the best players in the country, the Easter Bowl, which honored Arthur Ashe, and hardcourt tournaments in Texas.

This year Joe turns his attention to high school tennis. Although he is only a ninth grader at Norris Junior High, he is eligible to play varsity tennis.



Joe Salerno

It is clear Joe plays a lot of tennis. However, he not only plays tennis; he lives it. Joe lives at Dewey Tennis Center where his father is caretaker. He has lived there all of his life.

"If I did not live here, I would have never played," Joe said. "Since I live here, it is kind of being forced to play."

Joe began playing tennis at the age of five. He won his first match a year later in a tennis and recreation tournament.

After that he just kept on playing. "I had a picture on the wall for four years and practiced a lot on my own," Joe said.

The "wall" he is referring to is a tennis court-board set up at Dewey for individual practice.

Coach Ovici

Now Joe practices almost three hours a day. He is also coached by Toma Ovici, a well-known professional who once played doubles with Ilie Nastase.

"I think he is the most talented player I have worked with," Mr. Ovici said. "For raw talent, you cannot do much better."

Mr. Ovici feels that Joe's future is in his own hands and that what he can accomplish is entirely up to him.

"From now on I can do less and less for him, and he must do more and more for himself. He has the qualities to play professional tennis in my mind."

Mr. Ovici will not get any argument about that from Central tennis coach, John Waterman. Coach Waterman also feels Joe has control of his own future in tennis, "if he gets working and keeps up intensity."

According to Coach Waterman, Joe's main competition this year will come from Tim Lindquist of Westside, the defending state champion in number one singles. However, he still thinks Joe's chances are excellent.

"He should handle Lindquist's serve," Coach Waterman said. "They should meet in finals in Papillion, Metro, and State."

Joe also sees Lindquist as his toughest competition. "It is whoever is playing better that day," he said.

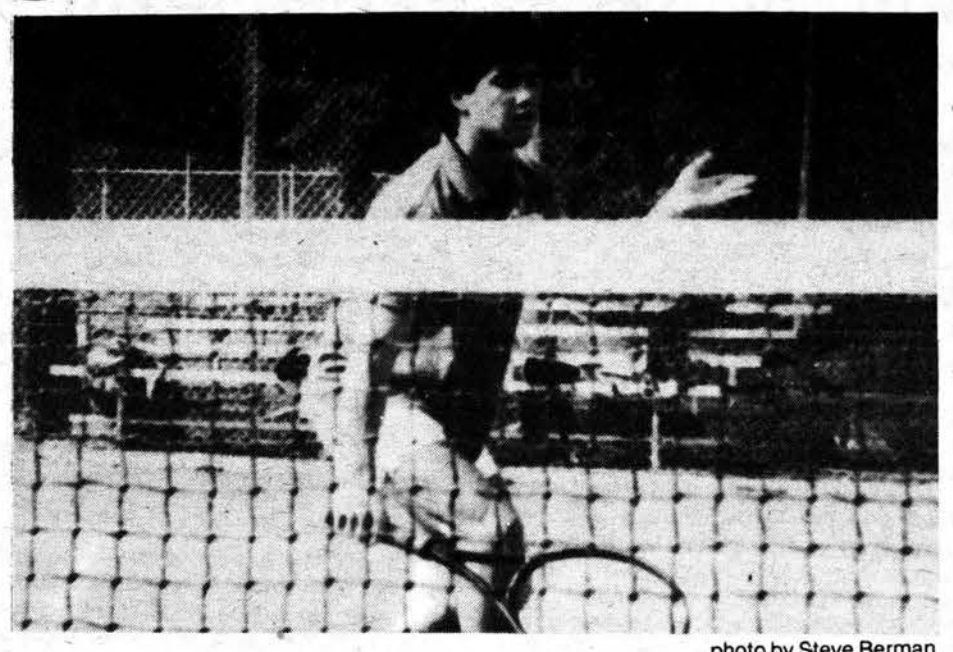
Green's record

Joe not only has his eye on this year's title but also in subsequent years. He hopes to break Bob Green's state record of three undefeated state championship seasons. Green, who played high school tennis at Prep, is now a professional.

"I get to play four years, and, if I do not lose, it pretty much beats his record," Joe said.

Coach Waterman is looking beyond this year as well. "It is very comforting to know I will have Joe around for four years."

The team title at state is also within reach for Central, according to Joe. "I think this year is as good a chance as any year, and, if not this year, next year," he said. "I think Westside will be the toughest. If everybody plays well, we have a chance."



Joe looks intense as he returns a shot during practice at Dewey Tennis Center.

photo by Steve Berman

Several players return from last year's team, which finished fourth at Metro, including Mike Beasley, Travis Feezel, and Gene C. Huey.

"Huey is the most improved player I have seen. He is more consistent," said Coach Waterman. "Beasley has been playing much better. When he is motivated he can play great tennis."

Positive influence

Joe's presence should have a positive effect on the rest of the team, according to Travis.

"It will help everybody play better and practice," he said. "It gives us a chance to think we should win. If we play well, we do have a really good shot."

Coach Waterman also sees Joe's influence on the team. "He is guaranteeing us points (in the state tournament). A lot of points will come from Beasley and Feezel. There could be injuries or upsets. If it happens in our favor, we will win it."

Coach Waterman also hopes that the team receives more support from the student body and faculty of Central.

"It would help. It affects play. Almost all of the duals are down here (at Dewey)."

Mature player

Even with all the attention Joe is receiving, along with his immense talent, Joe still has a good attitude, according to both Coach Waterman and Mr. Ovici.

"He is not cocky, which is very important," Mr. Ovici said. "That is one thing I respect him for. He is fun to work with. I even like to drive him places — as long as he does not bring his tapes."

Coach Waterman agrees with Mr. Ovici. "He is a good kid. He doesn't get emotional when he makes a mistake. He doesn't throw his racket. Joe is really mature."

It seems fitting that Joe's favorite professional player is Ivan Lendl since the two share several characteristics on the court. "He blasts the ball and doesn't show emotion. He acts like he is in control," Joe said.

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Moody makes Vegas team

by Gia Ciummo

For the second year, senior Dave Moody was selected to play on the Nebraska High School All-Star basketball team. Every year the team travels to Las Vegas, Nevada, to compete with other state teams.

Last spring, interested players tried out at one of three sights around Nebraska. At UNO alone there were approximately 400 players hoping to win one of the 12 spots on the 'dream team.' After running the players through basic drills and scrimmages, Metro coaches chose 40 to be called back to Lincoln. After a second try-out, the top selections were made.

The players, mostly from Metro teams, traveled to Las Vegas last July under the coaching of Lincoln East's Paul Forch. The team practiced and played a game daily in the single elimination tournament. They defeated five teams, and, for the first time in the history of the tournament, Nebraska played in the semi-finals. The team "proudly" placed fourth after being defeated by Ohio.

Being one of only two players returning to Las Vegas for a second year, Dave turned many college coaches' heads. But that was about all he could do at the time. National College Athletic Association (NCAA) recruiting rules do not allow coaches to speak with players the summer before their

senior year.

Basically for Dave, his free time was spent "strengthening friendships" with his teammates who will soon be his competitors. The team worked hard together but also had fun. Dave cheerfully recalled "hitting the casinos and gambling." "All around," he added, "it was a great trip with good competition."

During the rest of his summer, Dave polished his skills by playing on the Boys' Club league and "just shooting around at Horace Mann Junior High." He also spent a week in Indiana with several other Metro players after being invited to the B/C All-Star Camp.

Dave's recent exposure has brought flocks of letters from such colleges as Arizona State, Arkansas, Cal State Fullerton, Nebraska, and Oregon. Presently Dave's favorite is Cal State Fullerton, but that could change, as interest letters come in often.

Most importantly, Dave's main concern is to play well his senior year. With six lettermen returning and with the addition of former Tech star, Shawn Cotton, the Eagles may be strong in basketball this year. "But we will just have to wait and see," said Dave, who was also an All-Metro honorable mention selection. "But we should be very good."



photo by Steve B

Pictured from left to right: junior John Finnigan and seniors Tony Sherrod Rodney Othout. All three battled this summer for the quarterback position Finnigan winning the spot.

Quarterbacks battle for spot

by John Carlson

The Central High football team has had exceptional talent at the quarterback position the past few years. With such players as all-state selection Pernell Gatson and scholarship-winner Channing Bunch, Central Coach William Reed always knew he had a reliable player to head his potent offense.

This year is no different for Coach Reed as he has three talented quarterbacks from which to choose. Seniors Rodney Othout and Tony Sherrod and junior John Finnigan have been battling all summer for the starting position.

According to Coach Reed, all three were extremely close going into the final scrimmage. "We filmed the scrimmage and, after evaluating it, we thought Finnigan was the best person for the spot." Each of the players have different talents. Othout, a transfer student from Tech, is known for his passing, Sherrod for his option running while Finnigan is considered by coaches to do both well.

Finnigan, who guided the Eagles to their first two victories, said that the intense competition among Sherrod, Othout, and himself

helped him to be a better quarterback all help one another out and tell each other what we are doing wrong. This will benefit all the way down to the last game of the season," he said.

Sherrod and Othout also said the petition has helped them to improve their quarterbacking skills. "I could feel the petition at our position heating up each practice, and that would make me want to prove and do the best I could," Sherrod said.

Players from the team said they were confident with any of the three quarterbacks. "Each one of them has his own quality, have the capabilities to guide our team to a successful season," said senior linebacker Jim Lee.

All three players predicted good things for the Eagles this year. "As long as we can stay healthy we can have a great season," said Othout. As for each individual's future, Sherrod and Othout expect to get some playing time. However, Coach Reed plans on keeping Finnigan as the starting quarterback. "John earned the job and we will keep it."

Lack of support hurts golf

by Dan Schinzel

Despite problems with support and interest, the Central High girls' golf team enters the 1984 season with hopes of matching last year's performance, according to Coach Ed McDaniel.

Two golfers return from last year's squad, which finished 4-3 in duals and qualified for the state tournament. They are Susie Gaffney, who is in her fourth year of varsity golf and finished tenth in the state tournament a year ago, and Bev Atkins, who placed ninth last year. McDaniel feels that the two have "improved tremendously."

Susie believes the team has a chance for a successful season. "Bev and I should do really well. Bev is playing a lot better now. Individually, Bev and I can qualify for state, and, if the sophomores continue to play well, we could be strong."

The sophomores on this year's team are Sarah Story and Valerie Spellman. There are only four golfers on this year's team which, according to Susie, creates problems at practices and matches. "You like to have at least five golfers," Susie said.

Coach McDaniel believes Central golfers are at a disadvantage because of the nature of the school's golf program as compared with the programs of other area schools.

"We have never been a golf school," McDaniel said. "It is difficult to compete. There is so little interest. You don't have a prayer against Westside or Marian. They all have super golf programs."

Along with the lack of interest in girls' golf among the student body and faculty at Central, McDaniel believes part of the problem is financial support. "It is a cheap sport. A minimal amount of money is provided," McDaniel said.

The overall lack of support could lead to the end of a girls' golf program, according to Coach McDaniel.

"Girls' golf, with such a lack of enthusiasm, is going downhill. There is so little interest in girls' golf that it will die," McDaniel said.

As for this season, McDaniel sees it as a "break-even year." However, he does hope the team can again qualify for the state tournament. "The only thing we want is to finish three or better in the district," he said.

Cross country looks to improve

The Central High boys' and girls' cross country teams are looking forward to successful seasons despite various setbacks, according to Coaches John Geringer and Dave James.

The boys' team suffered the loss of two varsity runners from last year when Dennis Sheeler, who finished 11th in Metro last year, succumbed to injury, and Paul Riddle transferred to another school.

However, Coach Geringer feels the team can still improve on last year's performance.

"We could still be in contention for the Metro title," he said.

Returnees Calvin Ross, who finished 10th in Metro last year, Terry Lewis and Tony McClean along with newcomer George Lynch will combine to make the nucleus of the team.

Because cross country team points are totaled by combining the top five runners' score, Geringer hopes someone will be able to fill the fifth position.

"Our goal is to just get to state," said Coach Geringer.

The girls' team will be looking to repeat last year's performance of winning its district and finishing second at state.

Lady Eagles 'ready to go'

by Mark Buckner



photo by Lisa Larson

Senior Sonya Clark prepares to receive a serve.

Central's Lady Eagle volleyball opened up its 1984 season with a win over North High Tuesday, September 11. Central women credit their easy victory to good preparation. Senior Sonya Clark said, "Our summer camp got everybody prepared. When we came to fall practice, we were ready to go."

The Eagles took a new angle toward conditioning this year when they began using aerobic dance in practice before games. The exercise lasts for 10 to 15 minutes and provides a quick, thorough warm-up of all the major muscle groups. The players credit the idea to their coach, Mrs. Sue Gambiana. Sonya stated, "At first we were a little uneasy about them in front of the crowd, now we enjoy it."

This year's team returns a nucleus of experienced players. The returning seniors are Sonya Clark, Jeannine Tabby Whitman, Jessica Haynes, and Munsell.

Haynes, an all state basketball player, returns the most experience to the Eagles. Jessica started every game last season as a junior.

Team manager Gia Ciummo said the girls this year are a united team. They have a great chance to move up in the rating attributed to the team's main strength to its strong defense.

Jessica Haynes and Tabby Whitman anchor the Lady Eagles' front line. Jeannine Trim, senior setter, will pace the offense oriented attack.

Calendar

Football

- Sept. 21 Varsity vs. Prep (H) at 7:30
- 27 Reserve vs. Bryan (H) at 4:00
- 28 Varsity vs. Benson (H) at 7:30
- Oct. 4 J.V. vs. Roncalli (A) at 4:00
- Reserve vs. Papio (H) at 4:00
- 5 Varsity vs. Roncalli (A) at 7:30
- 11 Reserve vs. Burke (A) at 4:00
- J.V. vs. Burke (H) at 4:00
- Varsity vs. Burke (H) at 7:30

Volleyball

- Sept. 25 Bellevue East (A) at 6:15
- 27 T.J. (H) at 6:15
- Oct. 1-4 METRO
- 9 Burke (H) at 6:15
- 11 Gross (A) at 6:15

Boys' Tennis

- Sept. 24 Roncalli (A) at 4:00
- 26 Millard South (H) at 4:00

- 28 T.J. (H) at 4:00
- Oct. 11-12 STATE

Cross Country

- Sept. 25 Millard S./Roncalli (A) at 4:30
- 28 Bellevue East (A) at 4:00
- Oct. 9-12 DISTRICTS

Gymnastics

- Sept. 25 Bellevue East (H) at 4:30
- 27 T.J. (A) at 4:30
- 29 Millard S. Inv.
- Oct. 2 Ralston (H) at 4:30
- 6 Bellevue West Inv.

Girls' Golf

- Sept. 25 Bellevue West (A) at 4:00
- 27-28 METRO
- Oct. 3-5 DISTRICTS
- 11 STATE

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