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## Road Show

Road Show 85, "Need We Say More?," will be presented tonight, Saturday night, and Sunday night. Show times are 7:30 p.m. each night.

This year's Road Show has been put together really well, and the talent shown is tremendous. It will be enjoyable for young and old alike," according to Mr. Warren Ferrel, Central instrumental music teacher and the show's sponsor

James Quigley, senior and a Road Show manager, commented, "It took a lot of time and energy to put this show together, but the finished product is worth it.

This is the 71st annual show.

## Oourt ruling, state <br> arches permitted ys Supreme Court <br> Kari Hulac <br> The Supreme Court ruled January 15 public school teachers and officials have ight to search students as long as there "reasonable grounds" for believing that search will expose evidence of a violaof the law or of school rules. <br> seizures shall not be violated, <br> but upon probable cause.. <br> "Probable cause" is the key phrase which is often difficult to define. What is probable cause for a teacher to search a student or his possessions? Dr. G.E. Moller Central principal, defined probable cause as a "well-founded suspicion of wrongdoing, evidence of an unlawful act such as possession of a controlled substance, a weapon, or something stolen." He said, "There are numerous possibilities. <br> bill affect <br> "I think the Supreme Court ruling was in line, with reasonable grounds," Dr. Moller said, "but we at Central aren't going to search every third person. We would try to get student or parent consent. We would try to handle the situation without physical confrontation." <br> Bill LB 994 seeks more school hours <br> Seven hours a day, five days a week,

This ruling was the result of court proings concerning a search conducted by school officials in New Jersey while ching a student's pocketbook for ence of smoking. The officials unred evidence of other illegal activities. ng a precedent for future cases. ever, many questions are being raised the constitutionality of this decision rding the Fourth Amendment.
The Fourth Amendment says:
"The right of people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers and effects, against

Public school officials feel they have a responsibility to make sure violations do not occur largely due to the Latin phrase which is applied to them, in loco parentis, "in place of the parent." As Mrs. Udoxie Barbee, Central administrator, said, "Most parents hold the school responsible for the supervision of students.'

Mr. Dan Daly, Central English department head, explained, "The rights to privileges must retreat in the face of common welfare. It's for the good of all to preserve the orderly environment.

Dr. Moller and Mrs. Barbee both agreed that the Omaha School District's policy is generally not to search students.
four weeks a month, nine months a year school, school, school. Had enough? Maybe so, but from the recent Nebraska Legislature Thing, LB 994, all those days just don't cut it This bill, named the "Education Enhancement Bill," was another result of the Governor's Task Force on Excellence in Education reports. The Task Force already helped to raise the number of credits essary to graduate.
LB 994 requires that each student in the state of Nebraska receive 1,080 hours of "instructional time." Instructional hours are defined as periods of time at least sixty minutes in length which are actually used for the instruction of students.

## schools <br> Along with the right to search a student

 and/or his possessions, comes the right to search students' lockers. Although this may appear to be an invasion of privacy, Dr. Moller and Mrs. Barbee both emphasized that the lockers are school property. "The locks are for security and convenience, not to help students break rules," Dr. Moller saidArea high schools meet these requirements, but elementary schools do not. Now, students are in school 174 days, and teachers are contracted for 190 work days. In order to correct the time problem in the elementary schools and still retain a uniform policy, the Board proposed that student days be increased from 174 to 180 . These days could be taken from teacher organization days, such as the five days in August during which teachers attend various in-services or from other days when teachers are on duty but students are not.

A survey on the 1985-86 school calendar will be given to random parents, Board in making their final order to aid the

Voting on the bill will take place coln on April 12. The bill, which claims it will increase class hours 19 percent would be implemented next August

## unreasonable searches and

## ults:

 Whelan presents seminarnneliese Festersen
January 30,
nars. Mr Das part of the counseling center's series of o present a program about cults. Mr. Whelan is noted for ork "rescuing" people from cults.
According to Mr . Whelan, there are 1500 known cults in "triends
Jnited States which involve about one million people.
Mr. Whelan said there are different types of cults, but they potential member on a weekend retreat. After the retreat, which to share at least one characteristic; they use mind con- is even more intense than the regular cult meetings, the poten and brainwashing "to manipulate and use individuals tial member becomes an official member of the group. arily for the purposes and goals of the cult - usually power money." He said after being, associated with a cult for a , "One becomes incapable of making his own decisions use the cult runs his life.

Mind control methods and goals Mind control methods, according to Mr. Whelan, include family and friends, a implanted lear arotein diet, minimal unts of sleep, drug use, and torture. The goal of these sures is to lower or destroy one's self-esteem, destroy his $y$ values, change his religion, and destroy his patriotism. according to Mr. Whelan, all the cults have a leader who $s$ he is the Messiah. This leader often "manipulates and ges passages of the Bible for his own benefit.'
"The primary recruiting place for cults is on college cams," said Mr. Whelan, "though everyone is susceptible to 'Victims are usually bright with high ideals, but he said anyone who is going through a difficult or depressing d of life, such as the adjustment to college life, the death ved one, or a divorce, is especially susceptible to the

Vr . Whelan said a cult member will usually âpproach a ntial member with a line such as, "You think like I think. nd this discussion group every Thursday. You'd really like roup studies anything from the Bible to ecology. 'Love bomb' at meetings
$f$ the unwitting potential member chooses to attend the ing, the cult members will "love bomb"' him. "Everyone e cult will automatically be his friend," said Mr. Whelañ. hough the potential member does not realize it, one cult ber is specifically assigned to follow him around.

## At the meetings, cult members listen to many speakers only a "very few" deprogrammers in the United States, ac

 nd tapes, becoming hypnotized by them, according to Mr. cording to Mr. Whelan
## Whelan. The potential member, particularly if he is depress-

 ed, will begin to feel good about himself and about his new but she had to move because of harrassment by the cults. Apparently, this is quite common.After the family contacts the deprogrammer, the deprogrammer refers the case to one of the five "rescue teams" in the United States. Mr. Whelan is a member of one of these teams. The rescue teams track down the person and physically take him out of the cult. This action is legally termed kidnapically take

The rescue team then turns the person over to the deprogrammer. According to Mr. Whelan, one must be very careful with a person during the deprogramming process because the person is likely to be emotionally confused, and he will have a difficult time making decisions. The person is often suicidal because some cults teach their members to kill themselves if picked up by a rescue team.

Deprogramming and rehabilitation
On the average, the deprogramming process takes about four days, but it could last as long as four weeks if the person has been involved in the cult for eight or nine years, according to Mr. Whelan. The deprogramming process seeks to reverse the mind control techniques by getting the person to start thinking on his own again

Mr . Whelan said that deprogrammers use many videos and books, including the Bible. The deprogrammer's basic job is to make the person realize that he has been deceived.

A rehabilitation period, which "teaches the person how
Mr. Whelan said cult members will often approach peo ple in shopping malls, in airports, or at concerts.
ficult to get him out. According to Mr. Whelan, "It's impossible for people to just get up and walk away.'

He explained that, in legal terms, people are not being held in the cult against their will, but, in reality, they are being held against their will because of mind control.

Deprogrammers and rescuers
According to Mr. Whelan, the best way to get a person cults, Whelan stressed the danger in becoming invoived in If talking involved with such groups. He said students should號 son specially trained in counseling ex-cult members. There are before becoming involved in it.'

Just when you thought 1984 was dead and in its shallow grave, a series of occurrences seems to herald a reincarnation.

Recently, the government-both state and local-has exceeded itself in a group of bills and laws to which we shall refer as the "Bandwagon" group. These bills and laws reinforce the lawmakers' evaluation of their jobs. Like it or not, the lawmakers feel they must "take care of" the people; they have solemnly promised to do so.

Naturally, isn't that why we elected them? But these people are fulfilling their promises in ways that invite criticism. Remember that old aphorism about the road paved with good intentions? It applies in this case.

From seatbelts to that old, rotting issue of prayer in school, the lawmakers endeavor to care for us. The "Bandwagon" effect occurs when politicians scramble to match the pendulum-like swaying of public opinion. For instance, recently, fourteen state senators supported a bill which, if it passes, would require all front-seat passengers and children under the age of 12 to wear seatbelts. Can you imagine solving the nation's economic problems with the fines from Nebraska alone? If police attempted to enforce the law, how many of us would soon have criminal records? But here's an example of Bandwagon controlwhat senator would vote against saving people's, particularly children's lives?

Another example of such political circling-the-wagons-for-safety is the Omaha World Herald's entreaty for more math and science requirements for graduation. After the national average on the ACT went up to 18.5. Omaha's three-year standard score of 18.4 wasn't quite what the World Herald wanted. Everyone's into stricter education now. We think all this ganging-up is ridiculous-especially when people more qualified to judge these issues are looking after them already. While the Bandwagon riders are looking elsewhere, their own business fails.

## Decision changes nothing

Recently, the Supreme Court ruled that school officials may probably use their power to search students and their belongings as long as there are "reasonable grounds" fo the search. The decision stems from a case in which some New Jersey school officials searched the purse of a high school student suspected of smoking and instead, found drug dealing records: Does this ruling make you angry? Should it?

First of all, only those of you with drugs, firecrackers, knives, and so on at school need to be afraid of school administrators looking in your pockets or purse. Secondly, even if you think your Constitutional rights are slipping away, you have to realize that the rules are for your own good. After all, knives are worse than a temporary loss of dignity. All we ask is that our school officials continue their own methods of illegal substance control methods which are quiet, infrequent, and, to all appearances, effective

In other words, you have no need to feel threatened - unless you are threatening the rest of us.

## Registered opinion:

## Search issues disturbing <br> Recently the Supreme Court ruled that

 a New Jersey school was correct in sear--ching a student and her belongings on the basis of suspicion only. Even though schools had previously searched students, lockers, purses, and other belongings, this case set a precedent. The schools now have a legal base. We asked these people what they thought of this ruling and whether they believed it would affect Central.George Tavlor, Central security aide:
A student rents the use of a locker, and he should know not to put anything illegal in it, such as weapons, incendiary items, or drugs. We have busted people with drugs in their locker or purse. This case just reinforces our right.'
Lee Coffin, sophomore:
"When it comes right down to it, when you're searching, you're searching for something dangerous to others. But if you're searching for no particular reason, that would be illegal anyplace. A policeman can't search you without a warrant in the Woodman Tower. They should always have a good reason.'
Mr. John Williams, teacher:
"My personal opinion is that lockers are school property, and students take lockers knowing that. I think I would draw the line at searching a purse or a book bag. That's personal property." Bottom right Mr. Stan Maliszewski, guidance director:
'Searching doesn't happen very often - maybe once every three years. I think students will be more cautious now. It certainly won't stop them from bringing weapons and such, but it will act as a deter-


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## P <br> Reaction to arms issue

Dear Editor,
In response to an editorial titled "Futility theme of nuclear arms talks," we, along with many others, feel that the editorial should have been altered or completely omitted. Our reasons are as follows:

1) The first paragraph was too blunt. To many people it gave an impression that everything we do is in vain. Can you imagine how many students probably said something such as "If the world is going to end, why waste time in school?" or "Why should I work and pay taxes if the world is going to
be blown to bits?" be blown to bits?"
2) The attitude expressed gave an im
pression that the nuclear arms limitations will not be possible because it will not happen all at once. A weapon freeze is not impossible if the United States and the Soviet Union really want a freeze.
3) The main point is that these talks may very well be the only solution there is. The people who don't like these talks do not realize what the alternatives are.

Thank you for accepting these comments on our behalf.

Raymond K. Johnson, senior
Don Krueger, senior
Matt Kelly, senior

"NOTHING ABNORMAL FOUND IN LOCKER 3252 ..."

## Test your knowledg

Lately, all you hear about is trivia Everything from hit T.V. shows to baseball has a trivia game named after it. It is only right that Central should have a trivia game too. Fortunately, I have been privy to some trivial aspects about some of the faculty here at Central. So, I have organized them into a trivia game especially for you.

## From Me <br> to You

Q: What teacher used to drive a cycle to sch
ing space?

A: Ms: Marlene Bernstein. Dr. once drove a motorcycle also

Q: What teacher was so competity gh sc he would not spot a twelve-year-old chi. Ac points during a table tennis match? A: Mr. T.M. Gaherty. He supp beat the kid by a wide margin. (Poo Q: Finally, what two teachers tell in their canoes repeatedly on a recent 0 trip taken by a number of the staff? ar in

A: Mr. John Keenan and Mr. Pay rship nington. (They evidently have nevel sired the saying, "Don't rock the boat.")

Now if you answered any of these ure expert. If you answered none of thes $w$ rectly, consider yourself sane.
*Note - For the safety of the persons involved, I will not name my sources. It was funny how the teachers were more than willing to rat on each other

Q: What teacher hunts turkeys with a Dow and arrow?

A: Mr. Paul Semrad. (I hear this is how he keeps in shape for the basketball season.)

Q: What teacher once sent another teacher a dead rabbit as a practical joke? A: Mr. John Keenan. (Teachers have a sick sense of humor. Perhaps this is an old Irish custom.)

Q: What teacher heard about Care Bears for the first time at'a faculty meeting and now is obsessed with the poor creatures?

A: Mr. Dan Connelly. Evidently, some members of the staff bought him a Care Bear after learning that he didn't know what a Care Bear was. Ever since then, he has adored Care Bears. (What I want to know is don't teachers have anything better to discuss at a faculty meeting than Care Bears?)

Q: Speaking of stuffed bears, what male member of the staff keeps a teddy bear on a shelf in his office?

A: Mr. Dan Daly. It seems the Dan's are into bears.

Q: Who was perhaps the first male teacher to get his hair permed?

A: Mr. Edward Waples. Before his hair was permed, "Wardie" had a full beard and shoulder length hair

Q: What staff member once had her burglar alarm set off by her five-year-old neighbor because she inadvertently locked neighbor because she inadv

A: Ms. Faye Johnson. She was supposed to drop the child off at school but left her sitting on the couch. Ms. Johnson did not learn that she had done this until she received a call at school from the police saying her alarm had gone off.

Q: What two teachers went to Central together for their freshman year only?

A: Ms. Udoxie Barbee and Mr. A.A. LaGreca. (Maybe this is the reason Central no longer has a freshman class!)

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## alleria alert to misconduct

'Any disturbance or destruction by ents will be handled with strict enforce$\because$ said Lt. John L. Speece, chief of ity for the Galleria Mall in downtown ity for the Galleria Mall meaning of a e placed in Central's circular January oy the Braiker-Brandeis management. 'We're not out here to be the bad guys, e have a job to do. We normally don't volved with young people until things ke they are now," said Lt. Speese. According to Lt. Speese, young people asing food at McDonald's are often ing around disturbing businesses and ig a great deal of noise.
'It's going too far," Lt. Speese said. "I lay blame on all the students. We get y of students who cause no trouble at e welcome students here, but we would ciate it if they would act appropriatehe continued.
oung people, some Centralites includave caused damage to restrooms in the ia Mall, and they have also been it shoplifting
t. Speese said, "We've had to repaint stroom stalls numerous times because affiti. I can't blame students totally for but it's getting out of hand. The cleaneople have had unnecessary extra work lately, often because of young people." o recent legislation, shoplifting is no
longer a misdemeanor. Should Galleria security officers apprehend a shoplifter, he will be sent to jail, regardless of his age.

Lt. Speese said he has tried to be as lenient as possible, but he commented, "Although our stores are for the public, the building is privately owned, and the laws will be enforced here. Students caught violating the law will be held until their parents, principal, or authorities come for them.

Lt. Speese also said that students are taking the elevators up to floors that are not open to the public. Companies such as AT\&T and Union Pacific have offices in the building and have complained of disturbances by young people.

Lt. Speese said that some customers are afraid to shop in the mall between 3:00 and 4:30 p.m. when school is out. He said he has instructed Galleria security to stay with groups of young people that enter the mall during the after school hours and to call the police department immediately if any trouble arises.

Lt. Speese said, "I'm not picking on Central, nor am I picking on students alone, but our most troublesome times are when school gets out. We don't want to be the enemy, but we must enforce what the management says. All we ask is decent behavior from all."

## IS seniors earn college credit

ight Central students have enrolled in ee-credit hour English course, entitled duction to Drama," at Creighton ersity. The class, offered to selected chool seniors is the first major step in ew Partner-In-Excellence program According to Mrs. Gretchen Schutte an teacher and Central's reprose to Creighton's program, Central and west are the two high schools curral and west are the two high schools currentolved in the new program.
reighton organized the program this order to set up a comprehensive partip with Omaha area high schools. The d outcome is mutual enrichment. This first class is to act as a pilot for classes and an advanced program," Mrs. Schutte. "We are trying to find out hese two schools (Creighton and Cenan help one another.'

There are 11 students in the course, which Professor Gordon Berquist, English department chairman at Creighton teaches.

James Keene, Central senior, said he found out about the course through his A.P. English class. He recommended the class for anyone "interested in drama or literature in general.'

Senior Kris Lawson explained that the class is a regular college course with a research paper assignment as well as essay tests. "In class we watch plays or listen to lectures," she said. "It's a great opportunity to find out what college courses are like while still in high school."

The cost of the class is $\$ 20$ per credit hour plus $\$ 5$ for registration and $\$ 10$ for books. A class at Creighton normally costs $\$ 150$ per credit hour.

Hey Clint, I donit know if this science exploration gig was a good ideaI think we're lost.


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## McCann engineers successful hobby <br> Many small children receive toy trains <br> labels both the train and the building

every year. Usually such a gift never amounts to more than just a toy, but for junior Sean McCann this "toy" has turned into a major hobby - a hobby to which he dedicates almost two and a half hours every day.
"It grew from a train in a circle under the Christmas tree to what it is today," said Sean. What it is today is a track running on three 4' $\times 8$ ' tables connected in a U-shape. Sean said that his interest was prompted by train set-ups found in books which he checked out from the library.

Model train collecting is quite detailed. Sean does everything from the actual selection of the train cars and the scenery to the running of the train. Sean also paints some of the cars and the scenery.
"I try to create the scenery that nature creates naturally," said Sean.

One of the more complicated features of running the trains is making sure that each car stops at the correct building. In order to make this procedure precise, Sean

Sean defines model train building as, an attempt to miniaturize the area we go through every day." Sean has spent ap proximately $\$ 1,500$ in his "attempt.'

Sean said that his expenditures for the trains are not bad compared to the costs of other hobbies. Sean said that the enjoyment he gets out of the trains makes the cost worthwhile.

However, Sean finds the organizations that are offered to train builders are too expensive and has not as yet joined any clubs. But, he does attend conventions twice a year, one in September and one in March.

Sean started the model he is presently working on in March. His goal is to complete the model, but Sean has never known anyone who has completed a whole model "There is always something more you can do," he said.

Sean has been working on mod trains for seven years, and he says, "I've spent quite a bit of time with it, and I'm not tired of it yet.'

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## of Central importance

## Languages take ski trip

Central's foreign language department enjoyed a day of skiing at Trailridge on February 2. All four languages were epresented

## participants.

Mr. John Frakes, German and French teacher, was the sponsor. "It was a good way for them to try something new," he said.

Although the day was cold, most students had a good time. Dave Pansing, sophomore, described it as "fun but tiring." He said the snow covering was really good.

Mr . Frakes said many of the students would like to return. Susie Gaffney, senior, said "It should be done every year to enhance a friendly foreign language department.'.

## Teachers nominate four

Each year the NCTE (National Conference of Teachers of English) sponsors a writing contest. This year four Central juniors have been selected NCTE nominees. They have been selected NCTE nominees. They are Anita Barnes, Tha

A committee of Central English teachers nominated these students after judging im promptu compositions written by all the unior honors English classes.

Next, the National Council will judge the nominees on the basis of impromptu composition as well as an original composition Six Nebraska students will be named NCTE winners. Last year, Arthur Kosowsky was winners. Last year, A
"I think our students have always done well in impromptu composition writing ecause of the strict discipline which their eachers put upon them," Mr. Dan Daly Central English department head, said.

## Moller attends seminars

Dr. G.E. Moller, Central principal, recently spent five days attending two orkshops in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dr. Moller arrived in New Orleans on Fri day, January 25 , and spent his first day at the Danforth Foundation Seminar held at the Marriott Hotel

The Danforth Foundation is .i educa tional organization which selects five or six high schools from five or six cities to par ticipate in their annual program, according to Dr. Moller. This year Central was selected to participate.

Dr. Moller said that the purpose of the seminar was to teach the administrators of the schools methods of self-improvement as well as techniques for better evaluation of others.

Dr. Clayton Lefferty, a doctor of psychology, helped the administrators find their weaknesses and their strengths. Dr Moller said the seminar was "time well worth spending.

Dr. Moller attended a NASSP (Nationa Association of Secondary School's Prin cipals) convention the other four days. This convention was held at the newly constructed convention center in New Orleans

The principals heard many speakers including the governor of Louisiana, Mr. David C. Treen, and former-first lady, Roslyn Carter.

## Decathlon team prepares

Central Academic Decathlon team members are preparing for the local competition which will take place on February 23 a Central. The local competition encompasses just the Omaha Public Schools.

Team members, seniors Arthu Kosowsky, Don Krueger, Beverly Atkins and Jan DiMauro, and juniors Anita Barnes and John Skoog, as well as alternates, juniors Johil Berman, Sean Kershaw, and Regina Phil Berman, Sean Kershaw, and Regiol Murray have been studying before school
during the week and, recently, on Sundays.

The Decathlon tests cover social studies, economics, math, science, literature, fine arts, and music. In addition to the tests, team members write an im promptu essay, and representatives from the business community interview each member, judging them on poise, personality, and ability to communicate with others. ty, and ability to communicate with others. A superquiz over
also be included.

When test, essay, interview, and quiz scores have been tallied by grade schoo teachers and Joslyn Castle officials, awards will be presented. The school which wins the team prize will go on to the national competition in California on April 10, 1985.

## AP exams to be held soon

Advanced placement exams will be administered May 6-10 and May 13-17. Tests include the following subject areas: art biology, chemistry, computer science, Eiology, chemistry, computer science,
English, French, German, history, Latin, English, French, German, history, Latin,
math, music, physics, and Spanish. math, music, physics, and Spanish.
Students may take as many exams as they wish.

The cost of each exam is $\$ 49$. In cases of acute financial need, one should see his counselor as soon as possible.

The exams begin at either 8:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. and last approximately three hours.

## Students display designs

The Young Designer's Fashion Show will be held in Central's courtyard on February 21 at $3: 30$ p.m. Tickets for the show go on sale February 11th for $\$ 1.00$.

According to Miss Jerrie Harris, Central business teacher and the designers' spon sor, the idea for the fashion show came about several months ago. "Several fashion merchandising students approached me back in the fall about holding a fashion show o model their designs," said Miss Harris

The designers, seniors Scott Johnson. aurie Meadowcroft, Darcy Slavin, Dennis Sheeler, David Aguilera Slavin, Dennis and junior Shelly McCabe, will not only display their designs on models who they display their designs on models who they selected; they will also be responsible for the ighting, music, and commentating of the show. Miss Harris, senior Stephanie True, and other fashion merchandising students are working on promotions for the show.

Laurie said the designs will range from casual wear to evening wear and that most designs will be available for sale after the show.

Everybody is working hard. It's tough. You have to make your own patterns, and you have to choose your colors. It's scary ecause we'll be displaying our work in front a lot of people."

Gab-Line is new activi
Are you bored at home with the old conversations day after day? Ifs Gab-Line or Gab-Teen may be for

Northwestern Bell has come new telephone activity that allows pe dial a number and jump in on the peris, an ions of others.

According to some experienced 0 talkers, "It's kind of fun." Both Gab-Li aab-Teen have a total of ten dift- progra that hold eight people each

According to Bev Atkins, sen son calls the number and a recording on welcoming him to either Gab.T Gab-Line. Then a bell sounds whi ounces to other talkers that a new is one the line.

The Gab-Teen is more and the Gab-Line is for the "older" according to Bob Fagan, senior.

The number for Gab-Line is 1.84 and the number for Gab-Teen is 1-84: The cost for these conversations from twenty to forty cents for the firstm The price fluctuates according to the of day.) Every additional minute cosi ween five and fifteen cents per $m$ depending on the length of the conver

## Students adopt eleme

While some students are busy research papers for third quarter, the filling out adoption papers.

Miss Elizabeth Hug, Central che teacher, is having all of her first chemistry students adopt an elem their semester project.
"The students were skeptical ab: at first," said Miss Hug, "but now thenenta getting excited about it."

The students are required to w short paper and make a poster display the "wonderful" qualities of their ele They must also sign adoption papers

The adoption papers require the st. to protect, to nurture, and to love h ment, as well as to defend it again detractors. The adopted element mus mise "never to blow up in the face newly-acquired, loving parent.

Miss Hug got the idea of element at an area chemistry te year.

## Classes attend 'Cyrand the

On Tuesday, February 5th Bob English, Honors English and drama cla attended a modern production of Ed Rostand's "Cyrano de Bergerac," pres by the Nebraska Theatre Caravan Omaha Playhouse.

The play, called Cyrano!, around the character Cyrano de Berge a soldier, poet, philosopher, and scie with an enormous nose. Cyrano battles villain Comte de Guiche for the love of ane, a beautiful girl with whom he is much in love. Cyrano is also ver conscious about the size of his nos fights anyone who stares "too long.

Mr. Dan Daly, Central Enalish d ment head, said, "Since about 1966 we tried to take three or four hundred stu every year to some type of play. Us is done by the Nebraska Theatre Cara at the Playhouse, but occasionally the comes to our stage.'

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Walker, assistant director for duate financial aid at Creighton y. The College Board, which ad y. The College Board, which adthe SAT, also provides the FAF.
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FAF is the more popular among coluniversities, but each institution y which form it will use, according aliszewski.
udent may determine his financial ough the SNAP (Student Need Adrogram) computer disk located in counseling center, according to Mr . ski. "This program gives a very
wishing an appointment may call and ar ange to meet with a counselor. If the per son's problem is too long-term for the counselor to handle efficiently, the counselo will direct the person to a more appropriate place.

Mrs. Ebener explains that the agency organizing a "Wellness Program," which will include short seminars dealing with topics such as effective teaching, smoking cessa tion, physical fitness, and other related topics dealing with stress or tension
"Personal tension is experienced by al people in all walks of life, but those in the teaching profession are expected to handle it differently," according to Miss Jo Valasek Central guidance counselor

The public opinion puts extra pressure on teachers. "Demands of the public are too great. They want high test scores, and at the same time, education for everyone," Mr Robert McMeen, Central vocal music teacher explained.

One problem teachers may experience is burnout. Long hours at school and extra work such as report writing and pape grading bring added stress. Many teachers are also involved in extra-curricular activities such as sports and fine arts.

Mr. Warren Ferrel, Central instrumen tal music teacher, estimated that first semester alone he spent over five-hundred hours either before or after school.

Mrs. Pegi Stommes, Central drama teacher, and Mr. McMeen responded similarly after considering the time they spent working with the fall musical, Road Show, and performing groups such as CHS Show, and
Singers.
close approximation of a stúdent's financia need.'

A grant is a sum of money applied toward tuition which does not have to be paid back. The federal government appropriates money for three grant programs The Pell Grant, the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG), and the State Student Incentive Grant (SSIG), according to Betty Jo Hawkins, Interim Director ding to Betty Jo Hawkins, Interim Director of Financial Aid at
at Omaha (UNO)

Three types of national loans exist, according to Ms. Hawkins, the National Student Loan (NDSL), the Guaranteed Student Loan (GSL), and the Plus Loan Program.

The College Work-Study Program provides part-time, on-campus employment for students. Under this program, students may earn only the amount that has been awarded, according to Ms. Hawkins.

The federal government does not adminster funds for financial aid directly. Instead, the government appropriates a sum of money, based on enrollment, to all institutions, Mr. Maliszewski explained.

photo by Lisa Larson
Ann Farina and Linda Jensen are two new foreign exchange students who came to Central this semester. Their opinions about Central differ.

## Exchange students from Uruguay and Denmark enroll at Central <br> \section*{by Brooke Rose}

Central has broadened its population with the second semester enrollment of two new foreign students, Ann Farina from Uruguay and Linda Jensen from Denmark.

Ann, an eighteen-year-old senior, is staying with the family of Natalie Brown, also a senior. Ann came to the United States through the Youth for Understanding program and will remain for six months.

The exchange students do not get to choose where they want to stay, though Ann said, "I asked for snow because we don't have it."

Ann has been in Omaha since January 16. She went ice skating, to the movies, to 16. She went ice skating, to the movies, to
a basketball game, and, of course, shopping.

Ann has already graduated from high school in Uruguay, but she still has some final tests to take. Ann said that American schools are very different from schools in Uruguay. According to Ann, in Uruguay, everyone wears a uniform to school, both public and private institutions, and the students don't change classes.

During Ann's last year of school, her hours were from 1:00 p.m. to 6:30 p:m. "There is no lunch time," Ann said. "You either go from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. to $6: 30$ p.m.'

While Ann feels that her home school is much quieter than Central, she likes Central's atmosphere better. Ann said that she likes being able to talk to everyone between classes. She also observed that Central has many unique people with lots of different clothes.

Linda, a seventeen-year-old senior, also came to the United States with the Youth for Understanding group. She arrived in the United States in August and will be staying until July. She is staying with a family which has no children currently enrolled at Central.

Linda has not been in Omaha for her whole stay. She stayed in Bertrand, Nebraska for 3 months, and Elkhorn, Nebraska for 3 months. She will be in Omaha for the rest of her stay.

Linda's perspective of Central is very different from Ann's. "There's not a lot of freedom," was the first thing she said. She said in Denmark a student does not have to sign out if he leaves school, and his parents aren't called if he is sick.

If you have more than 20 percen absences in Denmark, you don't graduate,' she said. "Then you have to start the yea over again."

Teenage mortality

## uicide, accidents, disease <br> causes of death

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gh school is a time when most ers look toward the future and set Students are usually monopolized oughts of their lives after high school. on't realize that a large percentage agers do not live long enough to exce life after high school.
1981 alone, approximately 214 out of 100,000 people between the ages of 4 died.
. Alex Walker, assistant professor of psychology at the University of ka Medical Center, said that studies ining the leading causes of teenage vary. However, he said that the mathese studies record "death by motor accidents and violence" as the 5 killer of teens, suicides as the seading cause, and cancer as the third. Deaths result of accidents 0 people between the 372.9 out- of people between the ages of 15 and d as a result of accidents and/or
any of these deaths were the result of g and driving. This fact has sparked publicity. In fact, in response to this
problem, groups such as M.A.D.D. (Mothers Against Drunk Drivers) and a more recent group, S.A.D.D. (Students Against Drunk Drivers), were formed.

Suicide is the second leading cause of teenage death. Between 1950 and 1980, the suicide rate for people between the ages of 15 and 24 rose from 4.5 to 12.8 per 100,000 people. This is a 284 per cent increase.
"In the 1960's people used to think it was normal to think about suicide, but now they think it is not normal," said Dr. Walker. Dr. Walker said that many teens see suicide as a solution "Suicide is often chosen as the last solution to a problem," he said

Death by disease
Approximately 1,600 children and teens died of cancer in 1984. Cancer has been cited as the chief cause of death by disease for children between the ages of 3 to 14 .

Cancers in children tend to develop more quickly than cancers in adults, according to recent studies made by the American Cancer Society. Researchers have found this to be true because body tissues in children grow rapidly, and the cancer grows right along with the body tissues.

For teens who smoke, cancer susceptibility increases. The American Cancer Society estimates that cigarette smoking is responsible for 83 percent of the lung cancer cases in men and 43 percent in women. The rate for male smokers is double the death rate of male nonsmokers. The cancer death rate for female smokers is $30 /$ higher than for nonsmokers.

## Groups for accident prevention

Dr. Walker said that many teens view death as "temporary." He said that many teens will imagine their death and imagine friends and relatives mourning. He also said that some teens even look upon death as "revenge."

These statistics do seem rather drastic, but groups such as M.A.D.D. and S.A.D.D. are already working on ways to prevent deaths from car accidents.

Dr. Walker said that there are some warning signs for suicide. He said if a person talks about suicide, one should take him seriously, and he said if the person talks about a plan or a date to commit the act, it is even more serious. He said in a case such
as the latter, one should contact an authority immediately.

Similarly, cancer has some warning signs. These signals include nausea, swelling, double vision, stumbling, nosebleeds, drowsiness, and listlessness. The American Cancer Society suggests that parents make sure their children have regular medical checkups, and that they-alert to the symptoms of cancer.

## Grief cycle

Dr. Walker also had some suggestions for teens who have lost a close friend. He said that the grief cycle usually lasts three to six months. During this time period, there are three stages the teen must go through. First, he must try to talk and to grieve. Second, he must be emancipated (a period in which he must reminisce). And finally, he must make new friends to replace the old friend.

Dr. Walker said it is extremely important that the teen take these three steps because death with teenagers (especially in the case of suicide) can become contagious.

## Sophomore hockey star envisions pro futu

## by John Carison

Surrounded by football and basketball superstars, hockey players in the Midwest have been slow in getting the recognition they deserve. However, Central sophomore Terry Bock is slowly changing this.

Having made the all-Midwest team (a team consisting of hockey players from lowa, Missouri, and Nebraska), Terry travels all over the United States and Canada playing against top players under the age of seventeen.

Terry got his start in hockey at the age of four. His father brought home an article from the paper about hockey and thought Terry might be interested in the sport. Starting in the mites division in the O.M.A.H.A. (Omaha Metro Amateur Hockey Association) league, he quickly made his way up the age divisions. "I now play not only on the Midwest travel team but also on the senior high travel team.

Terry said there are both advantages and disadvantages to his recent success. Terry explained, "I am on a constant schedule. Ice time is limited, and we usually have to practice from 9:00 until 12:00 p.m. two days a week. Then we have games on the days we don't have practice."

Pro scouts
However, Terry said the recognition he is getting from hockey is worth all the extra effort he is putting in. "At the tournaments we play, there are a lot of college and professional scouts. Both my parents and I are hoping everything will pay off.

Much of Terry's success can be attributed to his speed and aggressive play, which he said improves from off-season weight training. "We lift to improve our skating speed," he said. "It is a very important part of my game.

Terry also was a defensive end on the sophomore football team. He said that hockey is not as physical a sport as most people think. "We wear pads, and the dangers of hockey are about the same as football. My only injuries have been a few stitches and broken ribs."

Hockey is a popular sport in the northern states and Canada, but Terry said this does not hold back the success of Midwestern teams. "We are fortunate enough to have Motto McLean, one of the best coaches in the Midwest coaching us. He played in the National Hockey Association for the Vancover Canucks. A lot of experience rubs off on me.'

## Lack of popularity

According to Terry, the biggest difference between midwestern hockey and Northern hockey is popularity. "People really take their hockey seriously in the North. Here it is not much of a spectator sport.

Terry, who plays center, also has a little brother that participates in hockey. "Larry plays on a pee-wee travel team, and his team recently was the first American team to win the Austin Minnesota Tournament." According to Terry, it helps to have his little brother doing so well. "We like to see who is the better hockey player in the family and that makes me work harder," Terry said.

Now Terry plays in high school leagues, but he wants to gradually improve his hockey skills in hopes of skating for a college or professional team some day

Terry said, "I am as good as someone my age who plays hockey in Canada or Minnesota. As young as I am now, there will always be a chance for me to succeed.'


Sophomore Terry Bock poses in front of some of his many trophies. He hop $N$ one day to play college or professional hockey.

NSAA makes proposals Board seeks reduced activities


## Dan Schinzel

Questions concerning the relationship between athletics and academics have arisen lately, mostly due to recent nationwide concern over the quality of education. In response to this concern, the Nebraska legislature passed LB 994, which affects many aspects of education, including high school sports.

As a result of this new law, the State Board of Education has requested that the Nebraska School Activities Association (NSAA) take measures to reduce the amount of time spent on activities in state high schools.

According to Mr. James Monahan member of the State Board of Education, the member of the State Board of Education, the
Board wants reductions in athletics because the new law increases the amount of instructional time required for graduation. The law raised the required amount of school time to 1080 hours per school year.
"What we are starting out with is getting in the 1080 hours," said Mr. Monahan. "One of the requirements we would make in regards to accreditation is that a school could not count time used for athletic contests."

Committee proposals
At the request of the Board, the NSAA formed a committee to come up with proposals for reducing the amount of activity time. That committee came up with several recommendations, including reducing the basketball season from 16 to 14 games and reducing the football season from 9 to 8 games.

According to Mr. Monahan, the reason
for reducing the number of games relates to the amount of travel time used for the activities. "It doesn't seem to apply to Omaha schools, but many small schools complained that they could not carry on under LB 994 ed that they could not carry on under LB 994 unless they were given travel time and school time for activities."

Mr. James Riley, NSAA executive director, believes he is caught in the middle of the debate between the Board and the coaches. Coaches oppose the reductions. Riley believes the decisions concerning cuts should be made by each individual school district.
'Before they (the Board), decide anything, they should request the desire of the schools," said Mr. Riley. "What we (NSAA) want is what the majority of schools want."

## Combining games

Mr. Riley believes that reducing the number of games in a season would not afnumber of games in a season would not
fect the amount of instructional time.
"Reducing the number of games has nothing to do with class time instruction." Riley said. "I think it is a means of getting at another issue. A lot of people don't like having games during the week because of the supervision needed and the kids being out. I think that is the issue."

Mr. Jim Martin, Central basketbail coach, agrees with Mr. Riley. "We've been having this idea of combining the boys' and girls' games into one night in order to get kids home on week nights.'

The proposal to which Mr. Martin refers would move the girls varsity to games from weekday nights to weekend nights. The girls would play immediately before the boys, the time which is currently used for junior varisty boys' games.

Most coaches fear that any reduction in amount of games would be detrimental to high school athletics.
"The thing that puzzles coaches is that we are playing as few games as any state around us," said Mr. Martin. "The question then is, why are we cutting down? Our high
school athletes have to go on and compete with athletes from schools that have longer seasons.

Part of education
"Basketball is a sport that in order become to skilled, you need to work for three or four months. The quality blossoms at the end of the season. If you cut two weeks, quality declines," said Mr. Martin.

According to Mr. William Reed, Central football coach, activities such as athletics are an important part of education, and any cuts would hurt students.
"I think the Board will find athletics are not one of the downfalls of the educational decline of late," said Coach Reed. "The people behind this movement don't understand the positive magnitude that athletics have on one's life. Basically, all I have seen is athletics help a student."

## School complaints

Mr. Riley agrees with Coach Reed. "Indirectly, they are saying that athletics hurt a student's chances in the classroom. However, any statistics we have say that activities motivate students to learn."

The primary objective of the Board, according to Mr. Monahan, was to meet the requirements set forth by LB994. "We never dictated how to use class time for activities It is not that we want to cut activities; it is that schools complained they can't make the 1080 hours."

Both Coach Reed and Coach Martin believe that reducing the time for athletics will have no bearing on the amount of time a student spends studying.
"An individual in athletics who is not doing well in the classroom will not do better because he drops athletics," said Coach Reed. "Who is to say that time taken away from athletics will be devoted to academics?"
"I think the athletes are enjoying doing what they are doing," said Coach Martin. "A student who is having trouble is just not organizing school and sports well."
J.V. basketbí squad enjoyif successful ye by Gia Ciummo

The junior varsity team of nine th and five sophomores has been "orich best teàms I've coached," said Cosniqu Pennington. The team suffered losser ly one point to both North and Ron
"This year has been different Pennington, "for we have a true cer Chuck Kozial and a true point gua Thompson," both juniors.

As the basketball season draw end, many fans look with dismay at $C$ loss of nine senior boys, including starters. But the boys on the junio squad, after racing to a $10-2$ rec create a strong base for next year's team under the leadership of underclassmen varsity players Beasley, Mike Salerno, Dan S juniors; and sophomore Leodis Flow was placed on varsity after playing five varsity games.
'Definite point guaro
makes difference'
"Having a definite point guard a difference," said junior Mike s: Salerno has recenty been playing: junior varsity team "just to make sul" ready for next year," accord Pennington.

Kozial has paced the Eagles w points and 98 rebounds in the past! games. Chico Holmes, a $6^{\prime}$ juniot. team's leading scorer with 135 accum points. Chico has recently been seef sity playing time, though the (Nebraska School Activities Assod limits all underclassmen to five quá night.

Other J.V. players are junior 0 man and sophomore Leodis Flowels of whom have also seen varsity time. Kevin Watson, and sophomores Kell Mike Edwards (a recent $6^{\prime \prime} 5$ " trans New York), Jesse Haynes, Alfred Jo and Scott Wells.

## ligh school sports valries prove intense

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rivairies. The dictionary defines as "one who is in pursuit of the same as another, or strives to equal or outther; a competitor." One varsity footam member briefly defines sports $s$ as "intense competition between s." Though most high schools do not rivalries as intense as those betolleges such as Yale and Harvard, hool sports rivalries have become inn their own manner.
enerally, longtime rivalries between area schools have not developed e of the abundance of schools in one ut as one looks beyond Omaha's ci, he can find strong rivalries between that have existed for many years. rea rivalries are between Bellevue's d West and between Council Bluff's s Jefferson (T.J.) and Abe Lincoln

## Powerhouses

ough Central does not have an sports rival, each team separately os its own rival. These rivalries through the years with the success teams. But the most notable and est rivalries exist with the 'big' teams ral. Central's 'big' teams are the ones varn the reputation of being houses' in their field in Omaha.
the last few years, Central's top three house' teams have been football, asketball, and track (both girls' and

The most historical rivalry in Central sports is the footbal rivalry with Creighton Prep. For 27 years, Central faced many close games with Prep but could not place a victory in the books. But the string of losses was broken this year with a 17-9 Central victory.

Though the Prep rivalry has been the longest lasting in Central athletics, after Prep's defeat, it seemed overshadowed by another rivalry which has developed the past few seasons between Central and Burke.
"They seemed to beat us when we were having a good season," said one varsity member. In 1982, Burke beat Central 32-31, and last year, a Burke victory of 17-14 cost Central a chance in the playoffs. For most of the season this year, Burke was rated right next to Central in World Herald ratings. Burke proved to be one of Central's top challengers as the Eagles met the Bulldogs and defeated them for the second time in one season to win the state football championship.

## Central - Marian

What is the most intense girls' basketball rivalry in Omaha? Sports' participation and fans almost unanimously answer this question with the response of Central and Marian.

Last year, Central ended its season with a 50-0 record and two consecutive state championships. Last year's state final saw Central grab the championship from Marian in the final seconds of the'game.

## ck team begins conditioning

h three inches of snow on the ground d for most people to picture the suns on which track meets are held, but ftral's boys' and girls' track teams, it

S easy because the tracksters are in st of a rigorous winter conditioning m. Boys' head coach, Mr. Joe amin said, "We like to get a head our runners are conditioned and y the season.'
e boys' and girls' teams train r, and a typical work-out consists of ing, conditioning, weight-lifting, and ue work. The athletes are divided into ot groups according to their events, jumpers, distance runners, and men.

The main object of the winter training is to lay a good foundation for the athletes. "We like to form a good base for our athletes so they can peak later in the year," said Coach McMenamin

The sprinters and distance runners are in the base period of their training. This training consists of endurance work and plyometrics. Plyometrics is a system of exercises used by Olympic athletes. Consisting of several series of stretches, leaps, and bounds, this type of training centers on the development of speed and quickness.

Many Central athletes have benefitted from this training. Senior sprinter Leonard Robinson said, "It makes me feel stronger and faster throughout the season."

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Senior David Moody tips in a shot against Roncalli. David is a leading scorer for the Eagles this year.

## Eagle big men provide intimidating inside play

by Mark Buckner

In past seasons the word intimidation has rarely been associated with the Central boys' basketball team. This season, however, Central has intimidation two times over in 6'7" center Dave Moody and $6^{\prime} 7$ '' forward Bertrand Turnbo. This duo has averaged fourteen and twelve points, respectively, ed fourteen and twelve
'They're both good shooters and re bounders. When you have one in there shooting and the other rebounding, it's not a bad arrangement at all," said head coach Jim Martin.

Coach Martin commented on how the wo push each other in practice. 'I've always admired how they bump each other around in practice and then play so well together in a game."

The aggressive play of the two has not been limited to the high school courts. In junior high school, the pair terrorized city courts, though they played on different teams. Moody played for Horace Mann, teams. Moody played for Horace Mann, while Turnbo played for Lewis and Clark.
Turnbo caught the eyes of more high school Turnbo caught the eyes of more high school
coaches than Moody, but that was before Moody's growing spurt.

The summer between Moody's sophomore and junior years was one of total dedication. After months of working on fundamentals and on getting a better feeling for the game, Moody caught fire. In his junior season, he became one of the premier bigmen in the metro. Statistically, Moody was men in the metro. Statistically, Moody was
in the upper portion of every category. in the upper portion of every category.
Despite missing the state playoffs after a Despite missing the state playoffs after a
one-point loss to Fremont, Moody and Central had a banner year.

This season, with Turnbo and an improved Moody, Central boasts one of the most talented front lines in the city. "I think Bertrand and Dave enjoy working together," said Martin.

Moody stated, "I feel good when Bertrand is in the line up. If I mess up, I know he'll cover for me.'

Precautions
Coach Martin said even the top teams in the metro take special precautions against Central's "dynamic duo." "It's possible that Northwest was a little afraid of our big guys. They plugged up our middle and took a lo of outside shots," explained Martin.

Turnbo said, "I take it as a compliment when teams try special things on us."


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