

Students crowd cafeteria during sixth lunch.

## Central administration adopts new policies

Renee Besancon

Dr. G. E. Moller, Central High School principal, has instituted two new policies at Central for the current school year Effective for the first time, these rules forbid eating lunch in the courtyard and sleeping in study halls.

Addressing the courtyard situation in the past, Dr. Moller situation in the past, Dr. Moller
said, "Many students who used the courtyard, with some exceptions, abused that policy exceptions, abused that policy
badly by not picking up after badly by not picking up after themselves." The result, he said,
was that the courtyard was was that the courtyard was "repulsive" to visitors. He added
that food, drink and papers which that food, drink and papers which were left in the area caused an
insect problem and a custodial problem during the lunch periods.

Working with the Central High School Student Council, the faculty, said Dr. Moller, "begged and put up signs, but there were no lasting positive results." Dr. Moller admitted that the new policy "makes the cafeteria more However, he adde "The be. nyone who has to, without lunch" because of the policy.

The other new policy forbidding sleeping in study halls stemmed from Dr. Moller's belief that there is "a human cry nationwide that American education is not as strong as it should be." He said that the national consensus seems to be that the United States is "not competing well with foreign countries, that we don't expect enough" from students.

> Dr. Moller:
> "Students ought to be making productive use of time here in school."

Dr. Moller said that some students may contend that they do not get enough sleep, but believes modifications should be made at home, not at school. Somehow they've got to get more sleep," he said. He stressed his opinion that students are in school to work. "Students ought to be making productive use of time here in school," he said.

According to Dr. Moller, some problems may arise due to the study hall policy. He said that he expects "more disciplinary problems in study hall," but tha the teachers have to enforce the
rule. He has already visited study halls to see that the new rule is being both enforced and carried out. Dr. Moller said that "a couple of students" have asked him why the rules were made. He does not think that the new policies are "tougher." He added unpleasant, maybe, for some people."

Dr. Moller said that ideas fo policy changes "come from policy changes "come from various sources," including teachers, parents and administrators. However, he said, "Usually no one person says 'let's make this change."' He consults the assistant principals, and "sometimes I will sit down with department heads." Dr. Moller also asks for discussion of possible problems at faculty meetings. When it comes down to a final decision, however, "I am the 'funnel' as far as the changes go," he said. Of he new policies, Dr. Moller said They're in to stay as far as I'm concerned. Things are going very smoothly, very well."

## Adopt-a-School program still alive

Ann Kay
Guarantee Mutual Life Insurance Company has adopted Central as its partner in the OPS Adopt-A-School program. The chairperson for Central is Mrs. Wanda Utecht, business department chairman. The other members involved with the Central task force are Mr. Jim Wilson, Mrs. Vicky Anderson, Mr. Paul Semrad, and Mr. Steve Nelson.

The coordinator for Guarantee Mutual is Mrs. Saralee Ryan, vice president-personnel. The task torce at Guarantee Mutual consists of Mr. Donald D. Davenport, Mr. Chris I. Koppel, Mr. Mike C. McCaleb, Ms. Lisa Burkland, Mr. Tom P. Schlichting, and Ms. Sally A. Rose.
"The task forces for both Central and Guarantee Mutual will decide what they can do for each other," said Mrs. Utecht.

According to the OPS tentative guidelines the purpose of this program is to involve educators with partners in their communities.

## Better understanding

The goals of the Adopt-ASchool program are "to develop a better understanding of the free enterprise system including the needs and requirements of industry, to develop a better understanding by the community of the needs and responsibilities of the school system, to utilize
business expertise to supplement the skills of schoo personnel, to increase staff and student awareness of the many contributions that businesses and civic organizations make to the community."

## Enron still partner

"Enron is still Central's partner, Guarantee Mutual is a completely different system," explained Mrs Utecht. Guarantee Mutual became involved with Central through Dr. Donald Benning, OPS assistant superintendent.

Mrs. Ryan said that the program will involve the entire student body, along with specific programs for many students in various areas. The objective of this partnership is to enrich the education of the students.

Various programs have been discussed to benefit both Guarantee Mutual and Central, such as scholarships, school promotion, academic decathlon assistance and presentations as well as having Central help Guarantee Mutual with working students, performing groups and using Central facilities.

Mrs. Ryan said," We are all really happy to be involved with Central; our upper managemen gave their full support. Without them it wouldn't succeed."

## Students travel over summer

Jennifer Andersen
Many Central students had the opportunity to travel abroad this past summer.

Amy Buckingham, senior, toured with the Reach Out Singers from Outreach for Christ International during June 2, to August 16.

Amy auditioned for the group and began training for 2 weeks in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. From training, they traveled throughout the Southeast United States for five weeks, staying one night in each city that they visited.

The group then went overseas for three weeks, where they stayed in France, Belgium, Germany, and Switzerland.
"Geneva, Switzerland, was my favorite place even though we were there for only a couple hours. We were at a lake surrounded by the Swiss Alps," said Amy.

Jennifer Gottschalk, senior, participated in an Outward Bound program, in which she spent 22 days in Maine sailing at Hurricane Island.
In the Outward Bound course catalog it explains the program, "[It] assists particpants to discover and develop their inner strengths and resources, to recognize and dispel self-imposed limitations and to learn to work cooperatively within a group for the benefit and service of others."

One example Jennifer experienced was when she had to spend three days on an island by herself.
"It was a self-realization period, where you come to terms with yourself, and the decisions you've made," said Jennifer.

A group of students and a teacher from Central participated in the People to People Student Ambassador program.

Jill Ogden, senior, said the trip lasted 38 days, including a conference in Washington D.C. and overseas stays in West Germany East Germany, France, Belgium, Netherlands, England, and Ireland.

In most countries, each student had a homestay, where they would stay with a family.
"Homestays were what the trip was about, learning from other countries and them learning from you," said Jill.

Although the group of 26 from Omaha did
some sight-seeing, Jill emphasized that the trip was directed more toward the government aspect.

Students accompanied by Mrs. Susan Paar, science teacher, were: Stacey Ferguson, Brecke Houston, Carrie Jirka, Jennifer Mayer, Jill Ogden, Wade Peterson, and Doug Stansberry.

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## Forum

How do you feel about the new changes in school policy such as those regarding the courtyard and study halls?


Kye Anderson, senior: "
think it is unfair that we are being punished because of last year's seniors who didn't care enough to keep the courtyard clean. I also disagree with the study hall policy; study halls were quieter before the change."


Anne Gentle, senior: "The closing of the courtyard is causing more problems. I also feel that we should be allowed to sleep in study hall. Some people only sleep in study hall and it's not fair to take this away."


Stephan Dietrich, junior:
"School cafeterias were too crowded to begin with. The new policy makes things worse. I think that people should be able to sleep in study hall; it's better than
sleeping in class."

## Pulse

Do you feel that the coutyard should be open during the lunch hours?
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NO $0 \%$

Do you feel that students should be able to to sleep in study halls?

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\text { YES } 97 \%
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NO $3 \%$

Total questioned: 130 students

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## New changes for the young

Dear Robbie,
Well, little brother, you're in high school now. I know that you don't feel like you are when you're stuck in a junior high, but I promise you that big changes are just around the corner.

However, by the time that you finally attend Central, they won't seem like changes to you; they will simply be the status quo. You see, over the past few years, the administration has had its hands in just about everything, leaving their special little "touches" everywhere, often where they are not needed. Oh, Robbie, you don't know what you've missed.

I' m sure that you've heard me talk about eating lunch in the courtyard. Oh, yes you have! For the past two years you've felt slighted because l've been allowed to take my lunch and you have not. And remember how I used to say, "Just wait. Be patient. You'll be there soon enough." Well, you might have to
wait a little longer. Oh, you can quiet, and they usually got it. still take your lunch, but you just can't eat in the courtyard anymore.

You see, once upon a time, some big, bad seniors, being seniors, decided that they didnt have to keep the courtyard clean As a result of the irresponsible actions of last year's seniors, Dr . Moller banned eating in the courtyard, virtually spoiling our lunches. Despite our pleas and promises, Dr. Moller refuses to budge. The results, as you can imagine are overcrowded cafeterias with 35 minute lines for 25 minute lunch periods. The uture do lut lok too bright but future doesn't look too bright, but "1t may get better. And I may get a
in AP Calculus.
Run to the round house, dear brother, for burocratic hypocricy is sweeping through Central's hallowed halls like the plague. You see, the one requirement that study hall teachers had was that they wanted their rooms

But now, when that tired student lays his head down to sleep, an angry man waits at his feet.
"You know the new rule: there is to be NO sleeping in study hall!"
What better way to 1) pass the time and 2) keep quiet, than sleep? With the exception of the guy in row two who snores and the girl who babbles unconsciously, it's an effective alternative. Why try to fix something that isn't broken?

So you see, Central has changed somewhat; it's not the same Central I grew up with. Oh, it's still fun, but it now marches to the beat of a different drummer, a more militant one, if you will. And we all know who holds the drum sticks, don't we?
Your brother,
Steve

## Central lacks school spirit

As students crowd the halls on a Friday afternoon, who would
suspect that tonight is the first home football game of the season? Not very many, apparently, for the talk ranges from the party at Johnson's to starting the term paper for AP American History. Per AP American History. Perhaps something as silly and ridiculous and effective as an in-school pep rally could have enlightened
them. them.

Yet football is hardly the only victim plagued by this disease; the musical draws poor crowds, the chess club is barely recognized, and girl athletes practically play for themselves. All of these are stricken by one of Central's few, yet prominent faults: a lack of school spirit.

For years, Central has prided itself on its diversity. Central's open enrollment policy has been an academic and athletic plus, yet perhaps we have gone too far. Diversity is goo gone too
when it weakens the whole. Central, as a rule, is weak when it comes to spirit, and the time has come for a change.

Thing change must come in the orm of faculty involvement. Though it is the students who mostly attend these activities, it is the administration which must bear the brunt of the blast. Students follow their peers' leads, and if the administration makes little attempt to support school functions, why shouldn't the students follow suit? The only mentioning of upcoming events is in the bulletin on Monday day after the game or tourname the has already taken place. Dr Moller and his staff need to take actions to promote a sense of school unity and pride and the sooner the better pride, and the

School offici
commended for somo should be efforts, however. Foreign
language tournaments, for example, do bring the school together for a time. Spirit Week also attempts to convey a sense of unity. And Homecoming is also a good drawing card.

Yet despite these efforts, much work is still needed to unite the school. In-school pep rallies are an excellent way to promote Central athletics. An increase in school-supported dances, perhaps like a back-to-school dance to increase upper and lower class relations, would provide the student body with a place to congregate. The election of class officers for juniors and seniors would enable students to learn more about each other. These are not the only answers, merely solutions to a problem that for too long now has been swept under the rug. Central has a long and proud Central has a long and prome history, something ithat is time to outside knows. Now
let ourselves know

# Students comment on year abroad 



Mary Welty and Justin Kerr returned to Central this year after spending their Junior year abroad.

Ann Kay
Justin Kerr and Mary Welty returned this year to Central High School after spending a year abroad. Both students agree that their trips were worthwhile and neither has any regrets.

Justin spent a year in Niedersachen, West Germany He found out about the program through his German teacher Frau Schutte. "I always wanted to go to Germany, and this was as good an opportunity as any," he said.

## "To see Germany"

Justin's trip was sponsored through the American and West German governments. The application process involved numerous questionnaires. When he became a semi-finalist, one of twelve in Nebraska, he was interviewed frequently. "I wan to see Germany, experience a new culture, and use a different language," Justin told interviewers.

After winning the trip, Justin flew to Washington D.C. for one week. His group studied American government throug tours, orientations and
seminars. He then spent a month with twenty other American students in Schleswig-Holstein, Wes Germany, for a language and culture camp. The group studied German grammar and vocabulary intensely. Justin explained that the camp helped explained and within month a great deal, a to he beg in
"My host family was really fantastic; I was very lucky," Justin commented. Although the family's son had once stayed in America for a year they spoke only German.

Educational system

Justin studied in the eleventh class in Germany. "Comparing the school there to Central's Honors Program, Central is much harder," he said He attended the Gymnasium, the highest level of high school in Germany's education system. with had no real difficulties with learning in German. His main problem was vocabulary in physics class. Only a gym and a social studies credit were accepted at Central. Justin doesn't mind not graduating with his class. He said the only hard part is not knowing anyone in any of his classes.

Justin was in Germany on a government-funded program, part of which included the study of German government and a trip to East Berlin. "The people have an 'I don't care' attitude," Justin said. "It was sad to see the (Berlin) Wall, seeing one race divided like that."

## Year in Italy

Mary Welty spent her year abroad in Italy on the International Cultural Youth Exchange. She had no earlie knowledge of the Italian language and was forced to study on her own. "However she said,"I didn't study nearly enough."

The group included eigh Americans and students from all over Europe and South America They studied at a language camp in Frosinone, Italy, for one month. When she had to spea with her host-family, she said," was a situation where you had to learn." The most serious problem for Mary was the lack of communication and misunderstanding.
"I was definitely homesick half of me wanted to be in Italy and the other half at home Mary

## A new classic




Dr. Maliszewski relaxes in his old office. He is now supervisor of all junior and senior high counselors.

Centrals past, pre-college workshops, he said that he would like to institute similar workshops in other schools which have expressed a desire for them.

Of the future, he said, " perhaps would like to come back to the building. The most important aspect of education is the direct interaction that the direct stuaction tha occurs wiss of education is very important to me."
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Los Angeles as teacher and counselor. He became a counselor at Burke High School in 1972 and stayed there for ten years before

## Dr. Maliszewski:

> "Dr. Schuerman had asked if I was interested in a newly created position as supervisor of counselors."

coming to Central as the guidance director. His curren goai is "to try to do the best job possible" in his new position. He said that he hopes to spend some time "refining and developing" the administration skills he feels he has learned in past years.

In addition, Dr. Maliszewski said that he wants to "work directly with counselors and coordinate the counseling systems in the schools. I am committed to staying in counseling, " he said. Because he was partly responsible for outcome based model of counseling," he said, "is to teach students skills" so tha they will be prepared to deal with problems outside of junior high and high school.

Dr. Maliszewski spent five years in Los Angeles as a
"Dr. Schuerman had asked if I was interested in a newlycreated position as supervisor of counselors," Dr. Maliszewski said. However, he also said that his decision to accept the position and to leave Central was not a sudden one. He said that he was aware of the position near the end of the pas school year. After working directly with students for twenty years, he said, "It was difficult to make the transition."

The new job was aiso a chance ior Dr. Maliszewski to begin working on a system of counseling which he said is being studied by the school district. At the present time, he said, "counselors spend most of their time reacting." However, he said that the proposed system is more pro-active than reactive. He added that this preventive approach to counseling is different from the present counseling system, the purpose of which is to "meet the needs of all students and be available on a one-to-one

Dr. Stan Maliszewski, Central High School guidance director for five years, left Central over the summer to take another job in the Omaha Public School System. He is now the supervisor of all junior and senior high school counselors in the school district. According to Dr. Maliszewski, he first learned of his present position by means of Dr. Norbert Schuerman, superintendent of the Omaha Public Schools.


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## with Rob Glasser

It was a lethargic dreamy Sunday, typical and slow. The couch lizard in me had effectually satisfied itself by holding my body in a horizontal position before the tv set all morning. I had reached a peak in boredom and my athletic side (however small it be) had decided to take charge. Over the course of summer vacation I had purchased a bicycle; it seemed to me the bike was made for just such days. I suited up in my bike gear, filled the water bottle, and set off on a destinationless trek.

## World with a silver lining

After a few blocks the couch lizard was begging me to take him back; my legs were starting to agree but the spark in the back of my head dictated otherwise. I kept cruising and kept dreaming. Miles crept by, my minds eye was wide open. It's easier to become receptive when you're outside by yourself and unstoppable. When a few miles were between me and home, I noticed a silvery haze that emphasized the tangibility of every object in sight. This could just be adrenalin or the just the fact that each of those objects could put me in the hospital. Either way it was fun to watch... the world with a silver lining. The peddling and the strategies for hillclimbing (a bicyclist's only challenge besides a Mack Truck) became more routine and eventually mundande. My mind was wandering and needed somewhere to go.

I noticed a small group of sparrows out in the street; it was time or some excitement. I swerved sharply to the left careening straight toward them. I was able to place my front tire in their little circle before all of them had a chance to escape. I felt the beat of wings, feathers, and rapid puffs of air being thrust from their tiny pumping wings. There was a tension coming from all of them as they desperately fled, I could feel it. I chased a low-flying sparrow no larger than my fist. He was remaining directly in front of me; perhaps he didn't know I was still chasing him. I felt like a predator perhaps he didn't know I was still chasing him. Ifeit like a predator steadily pursuing the little thing, though I didn't want to catch him
(if I did I wouldn't know what to anyway). A new feeling swept over (if I did I wouldn't know what to anyway). A new feeling swept over
me...he was free, I was free with him. We were both riding on the me...he was free, I was free with him. We were both riding
wind, a kind of animal comradery between us ( or so I felt).

Untouchable we were gliding along, the feeling of the chase had left me and I felt only the bliss of running unhindered. No longer the human social beast but an animal with no worries...beautiful.

My attention was wrenched from the bird by the honking from an oncoming truck. I was in the middle of the road and would be definite jeopardy if I remained there. I swerved to the right, sparrow noticed his advantage. Not knowing I had called of chase, he swerved to the left striking the trucks windshield very hard. I heard a small "thip" as the soft warm body plunged into the truck. I turned just in time to see a small explosion of feathers and a tiny smudge appear on the windshield.

## Intervention causes life

The bird was gone and the freedom I felt went with him. I was no longer untouchable, the bird was obviously touched. What would keep the same thing from happening to me? My intervention with the bird(even though it was without malice) had caused it to lose its life. The same applies to me, an intrusion with large enough impac: could sever me from my life. I felt trapped, my comradery with the bird had continued on with his death. I peddled home frustrated and confused, no longer could I escape by just running as fast as can.

## Homecoming <br> date conflicts with Jewish holiday

Jennifer Andersen
atten students attended a five-day journalism camp during summer vacation. The Nebraska Press Association's Journalism Camp held at University of Nebraska at Lincoln July 19-23, taught new techniques and reviewed skills, providing
extracurricular
assistance for this year's newspaper and yearbook staffs. The students attending included Steve Likes, Jonas Batt, Jenny Andersen, Sarah Mcwhorter, Alex Zinga and Beth Christ.

## A Cappella

The 1986/87 A Cappella choir received a grade of 1 , the highest possible grade at the13th annual Worlds of Fun Festival of Choirs last May 1617. The singing group also received a trophy for outstanding large school choir. This is the second consecutive year they have won the trophy an accomplishment never before achieved by a school in Nebraska.

Scholars institute
Several Central students participated in the Nebraska Scholars Institute last July 14-26 on the UNL campus. The program was intended to provide resources and provide resources and students to undergo intensive study. The intensive study. The areas of slucy were literature, journalism, science, math, social integrated arts.

Central High's Homecoming activities, October 2 and 3 , fall on the same dates as the Jewish holiday, Yom Kippur.
The holiday consists of fasting
from sundown on Friday, October come.

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In a world of increasing personal freedoms it seems strange, if not just plain weird, that people are still repressed everyday from their religious freedom, freedom of speech, and the right to sleep peacefully.

However, I'm not beguiled by the fact of repression. l've been able to do many things in my life, and as an American citizen I have, admittedly, done awfully strange things. Things like motoring through state parks at $3: 30$ in the morning in a now defunct Bronco wearing nothing but my brightly striped boxer shorts, or jumping off of an expensive suburban coffee table to land, more or expensive suburban coflee table to and, more or less, on my head. It all gets
times, but l've had my fun...
But now, in the wake of stricter conduct rules at Central, I fear for my health. The school's own Dr. Moller kindly advised us on our return from a glorious, slightly warped, summer that we had another thing coming. Sleeping in the study halls was now a crime.


Where the buffalo roam. . .

## with Chris Vachaudez

That's right, and punishable by rude awakening from an overworked and embarrased study hall attendant.
Central's new policies are just that: policies. Bad ones, yes, but just the same, it's the law.
Maybe there is a point to these new rules, atter all. Outlaws (say murderers, rapists, arsonists, and necrophiliacs) who have broken every law in
today's contemporary society were, undoubtedly, victims of a lax school system, much like ours, BEFORE the study hall/lunchroom rules. Perhaps they were allowed to sleep in their study halls, causing unbelievable ignorance and a contemp for the society which had wronged them.

Well, we won't be like that, thank god. I'll be strung out on coffee or in a zombie-state in class, taking notes that, when later closely scrutinized appear to be straight lines with slight deviations to indicate letters of the alphabet- completely illegible.

That's all right, too. It's all more than worth it knowing that l'm safe from a life of filth, crime, and sound, peaceful sleep.
Congratulations to Dr. Moller and the other policy makers for striking one of the most sensitive chords in every student's life (sleep, of course) and for making the school a better environment for caffeine enthusiasts and paranoid adrenaline freaks, alike.

## Central students celebrate HarmonicConvergence at Memorial

## Amy Buckingham

On August 16, and 17, 1987, thousands of people all over the world, including nine Central High School students, gathered to celebrate the Harmonic Convergence.

Astrologically, there was what astronomers call a "grand trine."
A grand trine is formed when three planets line up to form a triangle. According to most astronomers this is a very astronomers this is
unusuat phenomenon.

Religiously, the Harmonic Convergence was a time of regeneration, of prayer and meditation for world peace.

The celebration in Omaha, held on August 16 at Memorial Park, was coordinated by Ms. Sandy Aquila of Omaha. "We estimate," said Ms. Aquila, "that about 700 people attended the gathering here in Omaha and thousands of people celebrated at different sites all over the world."

At least nine of those 700 people at Memorial Park were Central students. Some of them others, like Senior Jennifer Shepard went because they felt it
was a "meeting of people who cared about what was going on in the world and wanted to make a difference."

According to ancient Aztec and Mayan prophecies the Harmonic Convergence is a move from a material age to a metaphysical age. In this new metaphysical age an "energy" will be released all over the world and enter into all human beings to help in the regeneration and healing of the earth.

Ms. Aquila said the - purpose of the gathering at memorial was to help people to memorial was to help people to focus their "energy" toward peace and the healing of the earth. The participants sang, prayed, and danced to "be one with the earth and "focus on peace," said one Central senior who did not wish to be identified.
"I feel [the gathering] was a good thing. A lot of people got together and prayed for the same thing peace " he said

Ms. Aquila said "Some people hear the word 'peace' or 'compassion' and they cringe because all they see is how the world has been in the past or the way the world is now, but not how the world could be... The time is


Students who attended the Harmonic Convergence celebration, from left to right: Joanne Strelbe, Robin Leavitt, Dee Dee Rassmussen, Bryant Williams. Those who attended and are not pictured are Jocelyn Humphery, Joanna Kosowsky, Sarah McWhorter, Jennifer Shepard, and John Williams.
available to make choices to awareness peace can be
 Jennifer feels that through gathering at Memorial Park not only here at Central or in
Omaha but all over the world."

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SA ticket sales 'brisk', says Jones

Chris Vachaudéz
Total sales of Student Activity tickets totals over $\$ 15,358$ on 1097 sales so far this year, Mr. Richard Jones, Assistant Principal and SA ticket sales supervisor, said
This is not, however, a record, said Mr. Jones, but described sales as "brisk" and he hopes to sell tickets to 1400 of central's 1834 students by the end of the year.
The tickets, now on sale for $\$ 14$ in room 139, are a requirement for students planning on participating in any extra curricular activities, including journalism, band, clubs, and athletics.

Student Activity tickets can be used as an admission ticket to all home football, basketball and volleyball games, and used for a reduced price at away games. All-school musical and play tickets are also sold at reduced prices to SA ticket holders, and students also receive a subscription to the school newspaper, the Register, as well.

When asked where the proceeds go, Mr. Jones replied "A large part of the money goes for athletics," and then said that activities such as band, debate, school plays, and the Register among other things, get a percentage of the total ticket sales.


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# The hottest flicks for the summer of ' 87 

## Joël McCulloh

The bell rings for the last time of the year and thousands of kids rush home or elsewhere to enjoy the summer and with it, the heat. During the weeks of summer, bodies dot the beaches and pool, roasting under the giant orb in the sky.

Parks are filled with teens congregating in packs, playing football, frisbee or just sitting around. But eventually the heat begins to take it's toll and they retreat to an air conditioned movie theater. Sounds like a good idea?
One hundred and twenty-five ousand people thought it was a good thousand people thought it was a good dea. According 8 Theaters, that was the he Westroads 8 Theaters, that was the fotal attendance for August And that's of June, July and August. And that's

Why is movie going so popular in the summer? Mr. Randy Behmer, manager at the Westroads 8 , stated the obvious,"It's because all the kids are out of school." He went on tho say, Movie companies release their most popular movies because of that fact. Summer time and Christmas bring in the most people. They also release them to ensure the possibilities of being nominated for the Acadamy Awards."

According to statistics from the Westroads 8 Theaters, the hottest summer movies were; La Bamba, The Untouchables, The Lost Boys, No Way Out, and The Living Daylights.

The Untouchables ran early in the summer and proved to be a hit. Brian DePalma directed the film about Ellio Ness (Kevin Costner), Treasury agent during the 1920's Chicago mob scene.

Ness is determined to put away mobster Al Capone (played by Robert Deniro) and resorts to an "eye for an eye". attitude after befriending a tough Scottish cop (Sean Connery). Ness and his group o five fight back against Capone, but they discover that they are "touchable". The movie was based on a 1959 T.V. show and it's re-birth was incredible.

La Bamba raged at the theaters with it's inspiring (and tear-jerking) story of 1950's rock and roll star Ritchie Valens. The portrayal of Ritchie is well played by actor Lou Diamond Phillips Also cast in the saga of love hate and Also cast in the saga of love, hate and fame is Esai Morales as Ritchie's older Ritchie's growing fame and his around Rrowing jealousy. But Ritchie's life ends growing jealousy. But Richis's lie ends abruptly when he boards the same plane as fellow rock star Buddy Holly.

Kevin Costner stared in his second movie of the summer opposite of legend Gene Hackman. No Way Out is a battle of wills, guts and love with both characters dodging bullets and other fatal tricks. Both are trying to claim an innocent witness of a murder that is brutally being covered up. No Way Out really gave the people wanted.

The Living Daylights was probably the most waited for movie of the summer. A new Bond was added to the collection and this one is tall, dark and handsome, but Timothy Dalton can also act. He has the British accent down perfect. Marym d'Abo plays Bond's partner, another blonde. Together they jump from country to country in hot pursuit of a KGB agent gone bad Despite the fact that Dalton does"n have the super ego of previous Bonds, Connery and Moore he proves to bends, Connery and Moore, he proves to
be anner.

Teen-age punk vampires? That was

the Idea in Joel Schumacher's The Lost Boys, a high reeling adventure about an Arizona family moving to a seemingly quite California town. It is quite until Michael (Corey Feldman) is taken in by a group of crazy teens. Michael is conned into drinking the blood of David (Kiefer Sutherland) and discovers that he is now destined to be a vampire like the rest of the group. Michael's younger brother Sam (stunningly played by Corey Haim) discovers his vampire brother and seeks out the help of the strange Frog brothers help of the vampire destruction The story winds down in a fight of good and evil and as
usual, good overcomes. The movie is well put together with unique photography and an enticing sound track. It may not be deeply intellectual, but it's allot of fun.

A survey was given to Centra students to determine their favorite summer movie. The results were: The Lost Boys, 40\%; The Untouchables, 25\%; La Bamba, 20\%; No Way Out 13\%; and finally The Living Daylights, 2\%.

So it seems that Central students spent the summer watching teen-age punk vampires. Does'nt that make you wonder?
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Results of the summer movie survey are as follows:

The Lost Boys ....
The Untouchables
La Bamba ....
No Way Out ....
The Living Daylights

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## FarmAid III in Lincoln's backyard

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Steven Likes

FarmAid III, the annual benefit concert for America's farmers, took place on September 19 at the University of Nebraska's Memoria Stadium. Mrs. Deane Finnigan, the city o Lincoln's FarmAid coordinator, said that proceeds from the sold-out concert of 69,196 patrons and the nation-wide donations are expected to reach six million dollars.

The concert took place despite
complications that arose this summer between Nelson and UNL. Willie Theisen, an Omaha restaurantier, acted as a mediator and offered $\$ 100,000$ to the University to cover expenses resulting from holding the concert at Memorial Stadium.

Many Central students attending enjoyed the concert stating that Nelson made an excellent choice in Nebraska. Alex Zinga, senior, said that "I really wanted to see John Cougar Mellencamp, but at the same time, I was glad that my money went to help the farm community."

## R.E.M. <br> makes it big

Jonas Batt
Document, the fifth album from the
increasingly well-known foursome from Athens, Georgia, R.E.M., debuted in Omaha August, 31

The latest effort is, much like each of the previous four albums, very different from the album before it, and very R.E.M.

Document is a more solid extension of the style solid extension of the style
R.E.M. began to sharpen in Life's Rich Pageant, in Life's Rich Pageant, the last LP of new material from the band. R.E.M uses a greater number of studio effects, hard-edged guitar riffs, and vocal melodies only R.E.M could achieve with lead singer Michael Stipe and back-ups from the rest of the band.

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The finest, most representative cuts include "Finest Worksong." "Exhuming McCarthy," "The One ।
Love," and "King of Birds," which features a Beatleslike intro.

Although R.E.M. may lose fans of their eatlier material with the release of Document, they stand to gain many.
"Take your instinct by the reins/better best to rearrange." R.E.M. did it and scored big, and they are a band to watch.

## Football season underway Underclassmen contribute early



OVER
fill TIME

Lance Grush

Here we are at the beginning of another school year, which means the beginning of another year in sports. The fall sports season is already well under way. These sports include football, girls' golf, boys' tennis, boys' and girls' gymnastics, and volleyball.

Central again appears to have one of the best football teams in the state. This year, however, the football team has many more than in previous years.

## Underclassmen

Abe Hoskins, a junior, is the best defensive player at Central since Larry Station, according to Head Coach William Reed. The team also, for the first time, added the position of wingback
into the offense to fit Hoskins' into the offense to fit Hoskins athletic ability. Rick Heller, a 6-foot-2 and 232-pound sophomore, is the starting center for the Eagles. Calvin Jones, a sophomore l-back, is better than Leodis Flowers was at the start of his sophomore year, according to Coach Reed. Three other sophomores making large contributions this year are Doug Roper, Keith Tooley, and Garrett Wilwerding.

I-back tradition
It appears that Central's
tradition for having great 1 -backs will continue this year. The duties have been passed on to Ronnie Bartield this season. Bartield, a 6 -foot 196 -pound senior, has rushed for 323 yards and five touchdowns in Central's first two games of the year.

Barfield starts
Going into the first game of the season, Barfield, along with juniors Kelly Yancey and Lester Ridley, and sophomore Calvin Jones, were even in the race for the starting l-back position. Barfield was given the start since he was a senior. After the Millard North game it was obvious that he has established himself as the starting l-back.

## Quarterback

Dennis Gunia, a senior quarterback, returns for his final season at Central. Gunia has started every game for the Eagles since his sophomore year. The team is counting on that experience to hold the offense together. According to Coach Reed Gunia's main job is to get the ball to Central's speedy people.

## State challenger

Central might have their fastest team ever and should challenge for the state championship. A good combination of size, speed, experience, and youth make Central competitive with any team in the state they play.

## Support the team

The football team needs your support, so come out and support your football team on friday nights. We are the largest school in Omaha, nearly 2000, and we could have a much better attendance at our games.

## Salerno seeks fourth state title



Joe Salerno, senior, shows coordination in his back hand during an early tournament. Salerno is the three time defending state champion.
"Toma is the best coach I have do as well in the tournaments this ever had," said Joe. "He can summer because of the lack of teach me a lot about tennis and practice," said Salerno. what it takes to make it in the tennis world." Ovici, who is from Romania, has played tennis all of his life and was a member of the Romanian Davis Cup Team. "Ovici is a tough coach, but he is also a good friend," said Salerno.

## Training

Joe's training schedule consists of three hours of work a day during the summer and two hours a day during the fall, but he rarely plays during the winter. This past summer Joe attended 2 sectional tournaments, the first the Iowa Open, in which he placed third. His second was the Missouri Valley Tournament in
which he placed tenth. "I did not
"There is not much pressure put on me by the team," said Salerno, "but you have to live up to being three-time state $\begin{array}{cc}\text { to being three-time state } \\ \text { champion." } & \text { Troy Larson of }\end{array}$ Champion." Troy Larson of Kearney, should prove to be Salerno's biggest competition. Joe beat Larson twice over the summer, but by a close margin. "Troy is really good and he' plays a lot," said Salerno. "I just hope I can beat him when the time
comes." Joe has gone $56-4$ comes." Joe has gone 56-4 during his three years as an
Eagle but has never had an Eagle but has never had an
undefeated season. "My goals for undefeated season. "My goals for this year are to go undefeated and to win my fourth state title," he said. "The losses have helped to motivate me," said Salerno.

## Summer baseball team

och, Tom Ovici.
has better
with a record of 8 and 12, a better
Alumni add depth -
The spring team's three pitchers would not have been enough to accommodate the five to six games a week in the summer Alumni, Travis Feezell sum Tony Mancuso were able to and Tony for the summer season

Bridget Buckley
"We were very excited about the past summer season. Our better than 600 percent average was a big improvement from our spring season," said senior Randy Gilbert. Central's 1987 spring team finished the season

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because of their age to add two more pitchers to the roster. Their mentally and in ability. "Travis baseball team. "Not very often and Tony helped us mentally by summer season Teams were not unifying us to help us play afraid of us in the spring but in better," said senior Sean Wilson. the summer the spring, but in the summer they put their best against us," said Salerno.

## Tournament qualifier

"The climax of the year came a quarter of the way through a season with a 4-3 victory over Northwest," said Wilson. Both Gilbert and Salerno agreed that it was the team's first victory over Northwest in over four years. "Joe Blazevich's home run in the Millard North game was a motivating factor for the upcoming league tournament," said Gilbert. The team won second place in the league second place in vehement with a 15-14 victory tournament With $\begin{aligned} & \text { over Burke. With this victory the }\end{aligned}$ over Burke. With this victory the
team qualified for a tournament in team qualified
Kansas City.

Individuals practice
The summer season, lasting from June 1 until August 15, gave both Randy Gilbert and Sean

## Wilson something to look forward

 Wilson something to look forward o each day. The team did not have organized practices during the season, but some members practiced batting on their own time.
## Awards

Along with second place in the league the team also received three other awards. Alumnus valuable player award for the league; alumnus Mike Buckner received the sportsman of the received the sportsman of the Harvey rived the Marcus batting title The Valentino's team batting tate. The Valentino's team and Clark Junior High gym teacher. The assistant coach was alumnus Pat Salerno.

## Team

Other team members were Alumni John Hannon, Doug Blasing, and Jason Gaughan, along with juniors John Mancuso and Wyndle Young.


Sarah McWhorter, senior, takes practice strokes on the football field.
Girls golf has high hopes

Andy Haggart
The Central High School Golf team starts its season off with team starts its season off with
the hope of improving over last the hope of improving over last year's marks. The team returns five lettermen from last year's 6-1 team.
"I feel we have a strong team and hope to go a long way," said Mrs. Jo Dusatko, the girls' coach. The team includes four seniors, Sarah McWhorter, Beth Christ, Jenny Urias, and Alex Zinga, and one junior, Carrie Spellman, all of whom have lettered since their sophomore year. "The loss of Valerie Spellman, from last year's team, will hurt us," said Sarah, "but I think we can overcome her loss and have a good season."

Last year's team finished with a 6-1 overall record. The team
won the Thomas Jefferson Invitational, placed second at districts, and then qualified for the State Tournament. "Last year's accomplishments will be hard to beat, but I think that with the added year of experience we can do it," said Coach Dusatko. "We have a good group of girls and have a lot of fun."

Most of the girls started playing at an early age. Alex started playing when she was very young at Field Club Country Club. She took lessons from the club's professional for many years. "The lessons I took helped me a lot," said Alex. "They helped me to improve my game and became more interested in it." Beth and Sarah also started young, by playing in a league at Meadow Brook Golf Course.

## Young cross country teams seek improvement

## Bridget Buckley

The boys and girls cross country teams have potential to do well this season.
"We have a young team with good ability and the talent to improve drastically over the year," said girls cross country coach, Mr. David James.

Coach James said that this year's team had good potential with all the young runners. He also said that this is a year for building the young runners.
"Out of all the runners on the team only six ran last year. All the rest of the nineteen are first year runners," said senior Ann Sitzman.
"The girls' team has a lot of new sophomores running and if they come on strong they may be one of the top five teams," said boys cross country member, senior Jim Martin.
The girls' season is already headed in the right direction. The first meet was the Abraham Lincoln Invitational. The junior varsity squad won their meet. Junior Beth Lucas received the fifteenth place medal out of about twenty runners.

In two duals against Papillion and Westside Central won 28-29 and 25-32 respectively, lowest winning. "We were both surprised and pleased because Papillion and Westside were top teams," said Coach James.
"We won the meets because we had depth," said Coach James. Depth allowed the team to get some of the lower positions which added up in points with the higher positions to allow the team to win.

The top varsity runners are seniors Ann Sitzman, Amy Meyer,
and Erin Coughlin, and juniors Marcie Reed and Beth Lucas.
"Karen Deffenbacher, freshman at Lewis and Clark Junior High is looking really good," said senior, Ann Sitzman
"The boys' team has some potential to be respectable depending on the development of the younger runners," said boys' cross country coach, Mr. John Geringer.
"Jim Martin is one of the best cross country runners in the state. He won three meets already this season by over a minute in each, said Geringer.
would like to win state this year. I was close enough last year. I think I could do it this year," said Martin.
"We have the ability to win Metro this year, Central hasn't for a long time. If the individuals of the team run competitively we could," said Martin.
"The top three teams in Metro qualify for state. Central has for the past nine years. We don't want to change that this year," said Coach Geringer.
"I hope that we gel together at the right time, districts, "said Martin.

Both teams practice regularly. Practices usually entail running distances of about ten miles and running hills. The girls' team started practice in the middle of the summer to prepare for the distance

The teams usually work on distances at the beginning of the season and speed at the end of the season

Boys' team members are seniors Melker Sandburg, Joe Schlesselmen, and Mike Warner; juniors Eli Collins, Kurt Goeser, Adrian Ferguson, Tzary Christon, Perry Fox, Rob Drown, Phil Warner; and sophomores Dave Zeisler, Kevin Boyd, and Keith Lucas.

Girls' team members are seniors Sandy Nelson, Renee Ryan, and Katie Nass; juniors Elaine Tucker, Michelle Lyons, Leslie McKown, and Jackie Nigh; sophomores Shelley Smith, Sarah Townley, Sabra Bull, Sheila Cooperrider, Sarah Straub, and Kris Buerman.
"They are all really great kids and good runners," said Coach James.

## Sports brief

Varsity football

Central's varsity football team opened its season by playing third-ranked Lincoln Southeast. Ronnie Barfield led the Eagles to a 42 to 16 rout by rushing for 172 yards. The victory vaulted the Eagles from tenth to second in the World-Herald's poll.

Central played fourth-ranked Millard North in their second game of the football season. After a scoreless first half the Eagles won the game 14 to 0 , on two touchdown runs by Ronnie Barfield.

Abe Hoskins, junior, had two interceptions in last Friday's football game against Millard South. The second interceptic came late in the fourth period to preserve Central's 13 to victory over the Indians. Senior Dennis Gunia's 20 touchdown pass to senior Dan Stillmock in the fourth quarter put the Eagles ahead to stay.

## Girls golf

The girls golf team recently placed second in the Abraham Lincolon Invitational schools participated schools pa

These
These four seniors placed individually in the tournament, Jennifer Urias, Beth Christ,
Zing Sarah McWhorter.

Cross Country

Last Friday Central's boys cross country team placed fourth at the Bellevue West Invitational Jim Martin, senior, placed second individually.

Central's girls cross country eam placed third in the meet, le by junior Beth Lucas who placed tenth individually.

## Football conditioning develops strength and team unity

## Lance Grush

Central's football team had over 100 players participate in last summer's conditioning program and about 87 finished the sixweek program, according to Assistant football Coach Stan Standifer. Coach Standifer said "Ever since Coach Reed has been at Central there has continually been more emphasis on weight training." Jonathan Winfrey, a senior, said that the program is enforced even more now than it was his sophomore year.

The program consists of a combination of lifting, agility and skill testing, strength testing, and basic over all conditioning. "It helps improve our speed and strength and keeps us in condition, " said senior Jonathan Winfrey. Derek Hart, a junior, said, "lt helps us a lot. It keeps us in condition during the summer and since all of the other schools have one (summer conditioning)
we want to try to get an edge." Another advantage of the summer program is that it helps build team unity. "It gives us a chance to meet the sophomores and get to know each other " said Hart. Winfrey said it prevents conflicts during early practices because you learn what you can say to other players and say to other players and what type of people they are. Coach that ifer commented, "A team that works out together plays together."

Coach Standifer feels that Central's weight training facilities are as good or better than anyone else's in the city. "We are second to no one in the city and maybe the state," commented Coach Standifer. "The record speaks for itself." Coach Standifer said that's why a lot of the great players in the city come to Central, even when they live in other school districts. He said Central is like the Nebraska Cornhuskers of high school football.


Doug Howland, senior, bench presses in Central's weight room. Football players must attend the summer conditioning program to play in the fall.

