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Declining Test Scores Spur New Programs

by Michelle Meier

The administration and faculty of Southwest High School, facing problems arising from the declining test scores of incoming freshmen classes, have been developing programs which will enable these problems to be resolved. The test scores indicate weaknesses in mathematics and communications skills. Solutions for some of the problems will include re-scheduling which will have an impact on all Southwest students.

The length of the school day will remain the same, beginning at 7:30 a.m. and concluding at 2:00 p.m. Even though this amount of time allows for a six-period day, students will be programmed for five classes per semester.

Third period, tentatively 9:30 a.m. to 10:20 a.m., will be used as an advisory period as well as a study skills class. Although this period may serve several purposes, such as meeting times for Junior and Senior Boards and auditorium sessions, its main purpose is to improve students'

study skills and learning habits.

The study skills class is not intended to be a study hall. Students will be involved in specific programs and the class will be worth one credit hour per year. The materials used for this course, designed to be used on three levels, will enable each student to get maximum benefits from his particular level. Workshops to familiarize the faculty with this new program will begin in June.

Courses have also been divided into three levels: below-level courses, on-level courses and above-level courses. Lower-level courses will be available to freshmen only. Students can make one of two grades - with credit or without credit. These grades are not to be averaged in the grade-point average. If a student does not receive a credit, the course must be repeated until a credit is earned.

On-level courses will be taken by the majority of students. Grades of A, B, C, D and No Credit may be given. Any course in which an NC

is given must be repeated until it is passed.

Upper level courses are the only courses in which the honors or H grade can be given. Such courses include the advanced sciences, Advanced Composition and Literature, Concert Choir, Symphonic Band, Publications, Elementary Functions and Calculus.

All advanced courses offered this year will be offered next year except Western Civilization. By their course selections, the students will decide which advanced courses will be taught. A considerable number of students must request the course in order for a class to be formed.

The incoming freshmen will have the most restricted program. The restricted schedule has been designed to alternate difficult and lighter courses throughout the day.

If a student does not receive credit for a course, he must earn that credit through adult education classes, summer school, correspondence courses or some other alternative.

At present, Southwest High School is the only city high school planning to implement such a program in the coming school year.



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CANDIDATES FOR THE 1981-82 Student Council Executive Board participated in a student forum on Tuesday, April 28.

SC Officers Elected

by Terry Lemons

The 1981-82 election for the Southwest Student Council Executive Board was held on Friday, May 1. A total of 12 candidates ran for seven Council positions. Over 900 students, faculty and staff members participated in the voting.

Next year's Student Council President will be Don Auer, who ran unopposed in the election. In his campaign speech to the school on election day, Auer spoke out on several issues. The President called for more student representation in the TASK Force system, the continuation of advanced courses for capable students, and more school discipline to take care of the "playbabies" at Southwest. Auer also urged students to take more of an interest in the Council. "Student Council," he said, "can become an enjoyable and educational experience for everyone."

In the race for Vice President, Sharnel Moore defeated fellow junior Diane Dopuch. Through her new position, Moore hopes to help restore school spirit through frequent activities such as hat days, dress-up days, dances and pep rallies.

Rochelle Walton edged out Diane Botonis in a close race for Corresponding Secretary.

There was a three-way race for Student Council Treasurer. Junior Tracie Gregory was the winner, defeating Pamela McGuire and Cheryl Eveland.

For Recording Secretary, incumbent Gina Zelenovich, a sophomore, retained her post over challenger Brook Reinhold.

For the next school year Helen Moore will serve as Majority Floor Leader and Sheri Speed will fill the position of Minority Floor Leader. Both students were unopposed in the election.

Round-up Future Looks Bleak, But 1981-82 Staff Plans Ahead

by Alicia Williams

Changes in the Southwest faculty and student body at the beginning of the '80-'81 school year have provided unusual challenges for school organizations, the staff of Round-up, the school yearbook, is no exception.

The Round-up staff sold just over 600 yearbooks; 1,000 books were needed to provide the free supplement. The supplement, issued each fall, features the activities occurring during the spring such as the Senior Prom, graduation, baseball and track and field. It is impossible to include these events because the book is sent to the

printer during the winter months. Round-up considered selling the supplement for \$2.50 per student but according to Joan Paddon, sponsor of Round-up, Principal Koenig did not feel that this was a good idea.

Due to inflation the printer had to raise the price of the books. The yearbook staff attempted to bring the actual cost of the book, \$16.00-\$17.00, down by purchasing more ads. Although the price came down \$2.00 or \$3.00, more ads means less material pertaining to actual school functions.

Most students felt that the price of the yearbook was not high, but others disagreed. Senior Donna Taylor commented, "for \$14.00, the book should contain more color pictures."

"The formula," stated Paddon, "is the fewer students who buy the book, the more books costs per students."

Paddon recalled, "In 1976, Round-up sold between 1500-1600 yearbooks for \$5.00 or \$6.00." Paddon feels that the reduced number of students has had some effect on the decline in the number of subscriptions.

This year, for obvious but not particularly logical reasons, participation in school activities has fallen off. "Everyone is dispirited," said Paddon. "Round-up expected a drop in subscriptions, but not such a large drop. We expected to sell 800-900 books."

Since less than 600 books were sold this year, the possibility of selling less than this number next year has to be a factor in any decisions about the '81-'82 yearbook.

The size of the books will have to be cut next year. In addition, the activities which are usually featured in the supplement may have to be included in the introduction of next year's book. This change will reduce the space available for next year's activities to be printed.

Paddon doesn't feel that the quality of the book has decreased but she does feel that the quality depends heavily upon the pictures. Paddon said, "the first thing that students look at when they receive the book is the pictures."

"I feel," said senior Rochelle Jones, "that the quality of the yearbook is mediocre because of the bad quality of the pictures. It's not organized at all."

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photo by Chris Massey

FOUR MEMBERS OF the Junior Achievement program have won awards. They are (top, l. to r.): Perry Benard, John Carter (bottom) Deidre Collins and Carolyn Moore.

Junior Achievement Awards Won By Southwest Students

by Cassandra Gould

Four Southwest students were named as Junior Achievement Officers of the Year: sophomore John Carter, seniors Perry Benard, Deidre Collins and Carolyn Moore. John Carter, president of Meter People Inc., has received several awards in his first year of Junior Achievement. In addition to President-of-the-Year, Carter has won \$100 and \$200 sales awards, perfect attendance, and an achiever award. He also was a runner-up in the Mr. J.A. contest.

Benard, Collins and Moore are all members of a very successful company, Youth Enterprises.

Carolyn Moore has been a member of Junior Achievement for two years. This is her second year serving as Vice-President of Personnel-of-the-Year.

Deidre Collins, a member of Junior Achievement for two years, won Vice-President of Finance-of-the-Year. Collins also received a job opportunity, of which she is very proud. She commented, "I was very excited and happy that I had won. I hope to go to Indiana and win nationally."

Perry Benard was awarded Vice-President-of-Production-of-the-Year. He stated, "This is my

second year in J.A. and what I have learned about business, I learned in J.A."

All of these achievers will get a free trip to the National Association of Junior Achievement Conference (NAJAC) to be held in Indiana in August. At this conference the achievers will get to compete on a nation-wide basis with other achievers who have won Officer-of-the-Year in their areas. They will also be honored at the "Future Unlimited" Banquet to be held at Stouffer's Riverfront Inn in May.

What's Happening	
MAY	6-9
13	Band Tour - Chicago
13	Spring Music Festival - Southwest Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
15	Senior Prom - Sheraton Hotel, 7:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.
22	Last Day for Seniors Graduation Rehearsal - Auditorium, 8:30 a.m.
	Cap and Gown Distribution



Seniors 'On The Road Again'

They came from the South Side; they came from the North Side; they came from the Central West End, drawn together by a force too powerful to resist. Thirty-seven strong, armed with only the bare necessities: munchies, liquid rejuvenators, sun-tan lotion and travelers' cheques, set out on their perilous trek in quest of sandy beaches, swaying palm trees and the Macon County Bus Station. As the driver shifted the Greyhound Americruiser Coach into drive and pulled away from the curb, a little-known phrase rose to prominence as sober senior tripper Victor Eckert shyly uttered the words "...on the road again."

The coach glided down that long gray ribbon which seemed to stretch into infinity. All the way, its passengers rode along merrily and celebrated their new-found freedom.

Inside, the bus took on a new atmosphere. The smell of jubilation was in the air as warm friendly spirits flowed freely. Strangers became friends; friends formed closer bonds, and a general feeling of camaraderie prevailed.

On through the night they sped, drawing ever closer to that coveted stretch of beach that they had only heard about and seen on post-cards carrying the message: "Wish you were here."

Evansville, Indiana; Chattanooga, Tennessee; Macon, Georgia and finally, 24 hours after departure, amidst stale clothing, failing deodorants and ominous spirits, the troupe reached Daytona Beach, Florida. Not since Normandy has any group of Americans invaded a beach with such gusto.

Generals Peterson, Aschemeyer, Nicholson and Schoeffel along with Lieutenant Mr. Schoeffel led the sun-tanning battalion to a strong foothold on the beach. Private Tracy Christopher was awarded a medal of valor for jumping over fierce ocean waves and encouraging others to do so also, while the remaining gladiators struggled in the often fatal sport of touch football.

At 3:30 though, as raindrops fell... it was bus-boarding time, so to the hotel the army trudged now ready for chow—to the Sea

World closed park and Polynesian Luau. The brave conquerors dined on whale meat and rice - there's no truth to the rumor that Sea World has mice.

Though other armies tried to compete, the SW clan gained such acclaim that when they left, one comment rang clear, "Their group sure was small, but you knew they were here."

The Generals led their troops, tired and sleepy to the Red Carpet Inn where practically all went straight to bed (due to a collective disinterest in partying).

Next the fearless warriors took Busch Gardens, described by one of their correspondents as "an oversized zoo with a couple of rides," and by another as "an undernourished Disney World."

A two-day excursion pass was not enough to facilitate the discovery of the famed battlesword, "Excalibur," though many tried valiantly to do so while at Disney World.

Thus, battle-ridden, disheartened and downtrodden, the famed Spring Breakers returned to their native St. Louis.



Editorials: Gun Control

Against

by Brian Willeke

With the recent assassination attempt on President Reagan's life, attention has been refocused on the issue of gun control.

A few radicals presently want a complete disarmament of all United States citizens because of what they "might do". This is the same type of thinking that would take away cars because one "might" break the speed limit.

These people are some of the finest examples of paranoia in existence. They assume that the entire world is violent and corrupt, and consequently, a threat to their continued survival.

Since the creation of this great nation, guns have been a vital and necessary part of life. Men have

used guns to hunt and put food on the table for their families, and to defend their homes against those who would do them harm.

On the whole, violent crime has been of the increase in recent years. It is little wonder that the sale of hand guns and other defensive weapons also has sharply increased.

Although the police may do their best, they are not supermen. They cannot be everywhere at once. This fact necessitates that the individual take steps to insure his safety.

It is basically a "balance of power" philosophy. If a mugger, rapist, etc. knows that his intended victims are probably armed, he will quite probably leave them alone.

It is a good idea not to permit

those with a history of criminal activity to own a gun. But it is also true that the average citizen doesn't buy a gun for the purpose of "mowing down" people in the streets.

The major objection to gun control is not the minor regulations that it will bring; Missouri already has those on the state level. What concerns many people is that gun control would become just another

case of government control over citizens' private lives.

For

by Tammy Rosenau

What do the senseless murders of the Kennedy brothers, Martin Luther King Jr., John Lennon, and more recently, the attempted assassination of President Reagan have in common? All these crimes were committed with guns, which probably were obtained too easily by the assailants.

The only purpose for people to own handguns is to kill, and law-abiding citizens do not need to kill. Some individuals feel that they need a "defense" because of their lack of confidence in their police force. A recent NBC poll shows that 71% of the United States citizens are in favor of stricter gun controls, and a *Newsweek* poll shows 58% feel that neighborhoods are more dangerous than they were one year ago.

Handguns should be placed only in the hands of the police and not in the hands of an average citizen who has been given no right to decide who lives and who dies. With these restrictions, the disgusting accidents where children find guns in the home and shoot themselves can be eliminated.

If a citizen can prove his practical need to own a handgun, an investigation into his background including his school history and police records should be made and taken under consideration in

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PIERRE STEWART, DIANE BERNARD and Mark Small are three of the Southwest basketball stars who have received recognition.

Basketball Players Honored

by Stephanie Tubbs

Five outstanding SW basketball players have received honors this year in various areas of achievement. Those receiving honors in girls' basketball are junior Diane Bernard, senior Angie Bonner and junior Cheryl Campbell.

Bernard, a guard on the girls' team, was named to the All-City Team, had an honorable mention on the All-Metro Team and received the Clifton Davis Award. Bernard averaged 12 points per game, nine assists and seven steals.

The honors of being named to the vegetables and dessert.

The coronation begins at 10:00 p.m. Each candidate for queen escorted by a candidate for king will promenade down the center aisle to the dance floor. Finally, the king and queen will be announced, accept their gifts and be swamped with congratulatory hugs and kisses.

The stroke of midnight will bring an end to the magic of the Southwest Senior Prom.

All-State, All-Metro, All-Area and All-PHL Teams were accepted by Bonner, the 6'1" center for SW. Bonner also acquired the title of Most Valuable Player in St. Louis, Athlete of the Month of January and Public High League Athlete of the Year. She had an outstanding record this year of 30 points per game, 13 rebounds, three blocked shots, and four steals.

Also named to the All-City Team was guard and forward, Campbell. "I'm not sure about playing ball next year for SW," stated Campbell after being asked about the future of her basketball playing.

The team was further honored by its Head Coach Warren D. Gower being named Coach of the Year by the *St. Louis Argus*. When asked about the performance of these girls, Gower stated, "If I had to give them classroom grades, Angie

would get an H, Cheryl an A and Diane an A."

Recipients of honors on the boys' basketball team were juniors Mark Small and Pierre Stewart.

Named to the second team in the All-PHL and in the top 20 in scoring in the whole St. Louis Area was SW guard Small. Small ended the basketball season with a record of 22.55 points per game and a 56 shooting percentage. With mixed feelings Small commented, "I really deserved the honors that I did receive, but I feel that I was deserving of others too. The reason I didn't get the others, I feel, was because of the lack of success of the entire SW Boys' Basketball Team this year."

With a record of 19.5 points per game, six rebounds and 40% from the field, Stewart, SW forward, received honorable mention to the All-PHL Team.

Sr. Prom Approaches

The long-awaited Southwest Senior Prom, probably the event that seniors look forward to the most, will be held on May 15, 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. in the Convention Plaza Ballroom East of the Downtown Sheraton. The theme for the prom is "Imagine."

The prom consists of music, dancing, dinner and coronation. *Stash*, a seven piece band, will provide a variety of music, selections for both slow and fast dancing.

As the guests arrive, they will receive brandy sniffers and prom programs. Coronation ballots will be given only to attending Southwest seniors. Candidates for prom king are: Mark Espy, Ed Giesler, Anthony Robinson, Levander Smith and Terry Ward. Queen candidates are: Angie Bonner, Mary Dietzler, Nancy Lehr, Danita Love and Popi Pappas.

Dinner, to be served at 8:00 pm, consists of sliced top sirloin beef with bordelaise sauce, salad,

Partnerships Beneficial To SW

by Cassandra Gould

Among the teachers involved in the expanding Partnership Program at Southwest are biology teacher Mulugheta Teferi, Mathematics Department Head Warren Gower, science teacher Wallace Droste, Communications Skills Head Ernestine McKellar, and mathematics teacher Anita Madison.

Teferi and his Advanced Biology students will be working with the Missouri Botanical Gardens. The program is still in the planning stages. It should be underway by the next school year. Two workshops have been held to familiarize the coordinators at the Gardens with the needs of high school students. Teferi, who believes the program will be beneficial to the students, stated, "I feel the program will be very helpful. There are many things that students can't learn in the classroom that they'll be able to get in the labs at the garden."

Another program being planned involves Gower's three math

classes: Calculus, Functions and Trigonometry. These classes are in partnership with the Monsanto Corporation. As of yet, no classroom sessions have been held. However, plans for a summer session at Monsanto concerning computers have been made. A small portion of students from each class will be allowed to attend. Gower feels the program will be a very enriching experience for those students.

Ernestine McKellar's American Literature classes are working with Gregory Franzwa, an author, historian and archaeologist. Franzwa is relating these subjects to American Literature. He visited the classes on three different occasions and has helped the students with their research papers on underground caves in St. Louis.

Anita Madsen's fifth and sixth period Advanced Algebra classes have had one classroom session with Monsanto. Its purpose was to

acquaint the students with the work Monsanto does. A few more sessions will be held before the end of the school year. It is also possible that the students will go on a field trip to Monsanto.

Wallace Droste is also working with Monsanto. His Chemistry II, Consumer Chemistry and Advanced Chemistry classes are involved. They have had several classroom sessions. The first was to introduce the students to the work that is done at Monsanto. The following sessions explained the various jobs that chemists perform at Monsanto and the role of chemistry in business and industry. The students also went on field trip on May 5.

Although some programs are still in the planning stages, the Partnership Program is already helping Southwest students relate school to the world of work. The next school year should see the continuation of many of these partnerships.

News and Notes

Winners Announced

On April 10, approximately 250 people attended the Junior Ring Dance held in the Boys' New Gym.

The 26 candidates, chosen by advisories a few days prior to the dance, were introduced at 9:30 p.m. After each had been introduced, last year's King, Levander Smith and Toby Barrows (substituting for last year's Queen, Velma Reynolds) announced the new Junior Ring Dance King and Queen. Mark Small was named as the 1981 King, and Julie Moeckel as the 1981 Queen.

'Reflections' Theme

Southwest 1981 *Reflections* will be distributed in late May. This year's *Reflections* contains more short stories and essays, and about the same amount of poems as last year's. Even though there were only about fifty entries, *Reflections'* editor Tracy Christopher commented, "I believe this year's *Reflections* is better than last year's. It has pages of student writings which are of a very good quality of work."

All entries were evaluated by six National Honor Society members, Communication Skills teachers and Ernestine McKellar, Communication Skills Department Head. The final decisions were left to the editors.

Junior George Theodorou designed the 1981 *Reflections* cover.

Concert A Success

On April 14, 1981, the Southwest Symphonic Band and Concert Choir presented their annual concert, directed by Robert Nordman and Leontyne Meyer and assisted by Vivian Jones.

The evening's program was an excellent performance with the Concert Choir and Symphonic Band singing and playing a variety of selections.

Special awards in both vocal and instrumental music were presented to juniors and seniors who had earned them through four or more semesters of active participation in a music performing group.

Musicians Perform

On Saturday, April 11, 1981, the Southwest High School *Dixie Five*, under the direction of Robert Nordman, played for the throngs of people who watched and listened from the sidelines of Jack Carney's, *I'm proud to be an American, I'm proud to be a St. Louisian, Nobody ever asked me to be in a parade before Parade.*

The *Dixie Five* consisted of trombonist Lou Matusik, percussionist Matt Pisciotta, David Shockley on clarinet, Paul

Ellersieck on tuba and Dave Ide on trumpet. Clad in red and white striped suits, black trousers and bowties, the band performed the ever-popular "When the Saints Go Marching In."

To the band's displeasure, its melody was changed to "When the Saints Go Swimming In" as torrents of rain poured down upon them. In spite of the downpour, the band played on. The *Dixie Five* also performed for the "Be Kind to Animals Parade" on May 2 and may possibly participate in the Spring Festival.

Gun Control, cont. from p. 2 issuing a license. This process could take much time and money, but society will benefit in the future.

As lawful citizens find it harder to purchase handguns, law enforcement agents can focus on criminals and their "Saturday Night Specials". Crimes committed with a handgun deserve a much stiffer jail sentence than is presently handed down the courts; being found with an unlicensed gun should be punishable by a lengthy jail sentence.

Society, plagued with crime as it is today, would benefit with elimination of most handguns. The homicide, suicide, and manslaughter rates would diminish and a step in the positive direction would be taken.

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Steers Slowly Improve As Season Winds Down

by Ben Holden

"We're improving; it's just a question of whether or not we improve enough," Southwest Varsity Baseball Coach Edgar Graham said of his 7-10 Longhorns.

In PHL play, the Steers stand 3-4, despite holding their own against powerhouse O'Fallon Tech, and the team picked by many to win the league, the Soldan Tigers. Southwest lost both games by three runs, 8-5 and 7-4 respectively.

Graham said, "The Soldan ballgame was the most impressive thus far this season for us defensively. We should have won the ballgame," he said. "We lost it because of poor base running."

During the course of the game, Southwest players made at least three costly base-running errors according to Graham. This,

coupled with a crucial mental error by a fielder (the third baseman was playing too far off the line), allowed Soldan to win the ballgame, he said.

Many of the SW losses since the April 10 publication of Pioneer can be attributed to mental mistakes by the Longhorns. The six losses during this period were to O'Fallon, 8-5; Soldan, 7-4; Lafayette, 10-0; Roosevelt, 15-12; Lindbergh, 11-1 and St. Mary's, 9-2. Southwest recorded victories over CBC, 11-5; Vashon, 4-2; Sumner 8-3; Chaminade, 10-9; SLUH (in a big upset), 8-6 and Central, 24-1.

Graham agrees that errors have hurt. "We're 7-10 right now, but as far as I'm concerned, we could have taken half of those losses," he

said. "We could easily be at least 12-5."

Still, Graham remains patient with his ballclub. "It's a learning experience," he said. But it's a situation where we should be doing better than we are."

There are standouts though. Graham said, "Paul Ware is as consistent as anybody else on the ballclub offensively and defensively."

Ware, a junior, is the regular centerfielder for the Longhorns. He is batting .420 with only 1 fielding error thus far this season, and has 21 hits, 2 home runs and 14 RBI's to his credit.

At the seasons onset, Ware had not expected to hit so well. "I'm surprised at what I've been doing," he said. "I thought I'd be around .300, but now I expect to finish close to .400."

Also called "as consistent as anybody" by Graham were pitchers Ken Hoffman, Wayne Stallings and Joe Younger. Stallings, a sophomore, and Younger, a junior, were actually very inconsistent earlier in the season, according to Younger. "We learned from our veterans," he said.

At 2-2 with a 5.92 ERA, Younger feels that his statistics could be much more impressive were it not for the fact that he now must work as a starting pitcher, and not in relief as he had earlier anticipated.

"I expected to come in out of the bullpen, but the loss of several pitchers has caused me to become a starter."

Regarding the Steers' poor record, Younger explained, "At the beginning of the season, I expected our ballclub to take the PHL, and have a sound record, but the loss of key ballplayers has really hurt us."



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SOPHOMORE MICHAEL HORTON knocks in two runs against SLUH in a recent Southwest victory.



photo by Chris Massey

SOUTHWEST RUNNER KEVIN SETTEL (middle) battles PHL opponents in the 200 yard dash.

Longhorns' Hope Not Lost

by Chris Massey

At the boys' track practice meet on April 14 at Southwest, the Longhorns' Junior and Senior division teams placed second in the overall competition against teams from Cleveland, Roosevelt and Vashon.

The juniors won in the preliminary 100, 200 and 400 yard dashes, and also in the 800 yard run and relay.

In the senior division, Southwest had outstanding victories in the 110 and 300 yard high hurdles, 400 yard dash and the 400 yard relay. They also took second in the 3200 preliminary, 1600 semi-finals and 200 yard dash. The Steers took

third in the 1600 yard semifinal relays.

The 71st preliminary PHL Field Day Invitational took place on Tuesday, April 28 at O'Fallon High.

In the field events, Southwest players displayed vast improvement with Alan Gray and Mat Andies placing first in the shot put and pole vault, respectively.

The Steers also showed improvement in the running events, but they still rely on unpolished talent. Only four members of the squad made it to the finals, which were to be held after the Pioneer went to press.

In the junior division, Ernest

Marbley placed third in the 110 yard low hurdles heat. Although Darnell Parker was disqualified for jumping the gun, SW teammate Kevin Settel placed first in the 100 yard dash heat with a time of 11.2 seconds.

On the senior team, Efreem Tate placed first in the 400 yard heat, while Terry Ward placed second in the 100 yard high hurdles. Tate also placed fifth in the 800 yard run, competing in the event for the first time.

Tate had this to say about his first experience in the 800 yard run. "I hope to do better in the final than in the preliminary."

On April 7, the Southwest Girls' Swimming Team again faced a tough opposing team to fight it out for victory. SW beat Roosevelt with a score of 37½-34½—a close margin, which gives them a 2-0 record.

The team won many events in order to give itself the edge it needed to win the meet. In the first event, the 200 yard medley relay, senior Lisa Schultz, junior Monica Bryant, sophomore Lisa Little and freshman Betty Davids teamed together for first. In the 200 yard free style, Davids took second and freshman Maria Crusius took third respectively. In the next event, the 200 yard individual medley, senior Toby Barrow took first place.

Schultz and junior Margaret Ellison took second and third respectively in the 50 yard free

style. In the diving competition, freshman Leila Snodgrass and Little were placed second and third respectively. SW's swimmer Davids took first in the 100 yard butterfly.

Barrow managed to take second in the 100 yard free style. In the following event, the 100 yard back stroke, Bryant finished in first place. Little took second in the 100 yard breast stroke. Ellison, Crusius, Betz and Snodgrass combined to win first in the 400 yard free style relay. SW's next meet will be against the O'Fallon Hornets.

Steers Still Kicking

by Jacqueline Wildhaber

The Southwest Boys' Tennis Team still has a chance to win the Public High League Championship, despite its poor showing in the district tournament.

On April 30, the Steers held a strong league record of 6-1 in PHL play, and the team's overall record stood at 6-3.

Southwest took matches from O'Fallon on April 2, Northwest on April 7, and Soldan on April 9, extending the team's winning streak to five matches. On April 14, the Steers suffered a defeat at the hands of the Public High League leading Sumner Bulldogs. The score was 3-2.

First doubles player, junior Todd Abernathy, and junior Stan Dippel advanced to the quarter finals of the district tournament. Junior George Theodorou and freshman Lionel Meredith, second doubles, and sophomore Dino Polimeropoulos, singles, also reached the quarter final round. These players were eliminated from the tourney by teams from

SLUH, Cleveland and Beaumont, respectively.

To account for the poor showing in the districts, Coach Oashen Chalmers said, "It was just a matter of pressure that was caused by lack of mental preparation."

Yet Coach Chalmers remains confident about the team. Chalmers said, "The season has been pretty successful. I feel the more experienced players on the team have continued to perform well, and those new to the game are far superior to other teams' new players."

Polimeropoulos, one of the team's new players, is quite a standout according to Chalmers. "Dino gives us all he's got and he beat the people he had to beat in the PHL."

Next year it looks as though Sumner will no longer be the only major source of competition for the Steers. Yet next year, Coach Chalmers said, "The team can center in on perfecting the game and can gain all the skill they need."

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One member of the Round-up staff who wishes to remain anonymous feels that the staff was new and inexperienced and that the work was hard because nobody really knew what he was doing.

In regard to the staff, Paddon felt that some students were interested in writing, photography or just the challenge. Others thought that it would be fun or an easy grade but they definitely found that this was a false assumption. "Being on Round-up takes a lot of time and hard work," stated Paddon.

There will be seven old members returning to the Round-up staff of sixteen appointed for next year. The new editor, junior Susan Usher, and new assistant editor, junior Kelly Alexander, have planned to do things differently next year. "The whole organization of the book will be different," said Kelly, "we will work in sort of an assembly line which will make it easier for everyone."

PHL Calendar

MAY

- 8 Varsity Baseball, SW vs Beaumont at Fairgrounds 4:00 p.m.
- "B" Baseball vs Beaumont at Sublette 4:00 p.m.
- 9 Boys' and Girls' Track-Soldan Invitational, SW vs O'Fallon 9:00 a.m.
- 11 Boys' Track, SW vs Soldan, Sumner and Vashon at O'Fallon, 4:00 pm
- 12 Tennis, SW vs Cleveland at Carondelet 4:00 p.m.
- Varsity Baseball, SW vs McKinley at Cherokee, 4:00 p.m.
- "B" Baseball, SW vs McKinley at Sublette 4:00 p.m.
- Girls' Track, SW vs O'Fallon, Roosevelt and Vashon at O'Fallon, 4:00 p.m.
- 13 Boys' Track, SW vs Roosevelt, C.B.C. and St. Mary's at Roosevelt, 4:00 p.m.
- 15 Varsity Baseball, SW vs Cleveland at Sublette, 4:00 p.m.
- "B" Baseball - SW vs Cleveland at Minnewood, 4:00 p.m.
- Boys' and Girls' Track -District
- 20 Boys' Track, Southside Invitational (Freshmen and Sophomores) at Roosevelt, 4:00 p.m.