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photo by Sue Henderson

## Can Concern

Members of recycling group, (from left) seniors Paulette Grana, Sue Spravale and Mike Cook look over collection of cans. The project has met with success.

## Recycling Project a Success

The recycling project of Mrs. Sue Lampros's third and sixth period sociology classes has met with unexpected success. The recycling stemmed from an overall ecology project of one group within the class and their concern for our environment.

The recycling group is headed by seniors Sue Spravale and Mike Cook, assisted by seniors Paulette Grana and Steve Rakel.

When the ecology project was started it was expected to last only three days. All expectations were exceeded and the recycling portion has been extended indefinitely.

The receptacles are provided

by the Salvation Army. There are receptacles for glass, cans, and newspapers. Salvation Army takes the newspaper and glass and sells it for re-use. Class members take the cans to American Can Co.

The latest development of the group is their effort to have the government take over and sponsor a recycling center for the SW district. "In this way, we will know the project will be continued after we have graduated," stated Sue.

In connection with this project, Sue, Mike, Paulette, and Steve attended an ecology seminar December 3 at St. Louis University.

## Academic Effort Pays off Well

The honor roll has been tabulated for the first quarter of the 1971-72 school year. The honor student percentages for students with a 3.2 average or better for grades 9, 10, 11, and 12 are: 15.91, 15.56, 20.03, and 28.01 respectively. Out of a student body of 2,718 531 Southwest students met the honor roll requirements. Students whose grade point averages were 4.0 or better are listed as follows:

Seniors: 5.0 - Susan Baylard; 4.7 - Martha Renner, Richard Shanks; 4.6 - Celeste Kocot, Lavatryce Singfield; 4.5 - Marie Caras, Tim Decker, Steve Rakel, Lorraine Michlin; 4.4 - Diane Dendrinelis, Janet Skaggs; 4.3 - Nathalie Aksentijevic; 4.2

- Karen O'Rourke, Joyce Noel, Linda Psaris, Richard Schrenker; 4.1 Cathy Buehre, Homer Robinson, Diana Vader, Rosalyn Vanheest; 4.0 - Jane Ash, John Baltzer, Becky Boyd, Frances Bradbury, James Clark, Jose Diaz, Deborah Dillingier, Donna Gerhart, Paul Haupt, Kris Keaton, Denise Koehr, Jeanne Kotron, William Kuntz, Tim McDonnell, Carolyn Schibler, Cathy Scully, Becky Vuch, Mark Wunsch.

Juniors: 4.7 - Stephen Crusius, Barbara Weinhold; 4.6 - Louis Miksicek; 4.5 - Emilie Dierking, James Fujarski, Stanley Fujarski, Diane Senf, Kathy Williams; 4.4 - Annette Berra, Dennis Gelner, Anne Marie James, Janet Millman, Mary Thomas; 4.3 - Pat Virtue; 4.2 - Amy Barrow, Pamela Braun, Connie Duever, Susan Kinast, Donna Pijuit, Mark Thompson, Deborah Witt; 4.1 - Amy Saussele; 4.0 - Steve Acree, Sherry Collins, Maria Diquarto, Lewis Diuguid, John Dubois, Dave Fairris, Michael Frisch, Leslie Hamilton, Carolyn Howard, Jerry Huchzermeier, Lynette Jude, Gary Klobe, Cindy Niemeier, Mary Reknowski, Greg Shiner, Diane Swallow, Deirdre Vincent.

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## Black Identity Organization Forms

The constitution for the Student Organization for Black Identity has recently been approved by the St. Louis Public School administration. It is the result of a series of meetings between these administrators and a group of concerned black students at Southwest.

The organizational committee was comprised of seniors Derek Cummings, Leon Hite, Bobbie Robinson, Calvin Talley and Phabienne Williams; juniors Gay Carroway, Everett Holland, Robyn Shannon and Kathy Williams; along with sophomore Chiquita Simmons.

The two arguments against the SOBI which have been pointed out are the further polarization of students into races and the inevitable backlash from some white parents. According to the committee, these problems have been seriously considered but are not felt to be of measurable significance when compared to the advantages and purposes of such an organization.

One important purpose of the SOBI, according to committee members, is to act as a sympathetic ear to distressed students. There is no restriction of membership. Any SW student may come to the general assemblies. This dispels

the conflicts which could arise from polarization. The aim of the club is to "help make SW equally receptive and beneficial to all students," states the constitution.

The constitution of the SOBI sets up an organization which plans to serve as a group to bridge the gap between the administration and minority groups.

SOBI will attempt to foster identity through the development of leadership qualities and sponsor social and cultural events relative to black students.

When asked to comment on the SOBI in comparison to the Black Student Union whose organization was refused last year, Principal Robert M. Young stated, "Of course we were advised by Acting Superintendent Ernest Jones not to organize a BSU. The student union would appear to white students as a power group favoring black power."

"However, we hope that the SOBI will be a help in relieving racial tensions at Southwest. I like to see students mingling with other students and this organization may help. I hope that a lot of good will come out of it."

The first meeting of the SOBI will be announced pending the approval of the two faculty sponsors.

## Spirit Week's New Look Highlighted by Two Auds

Southwest's 1972 Spirit Week is in full progress. Spirit Week was scheduled early this year hoping to mix Christmas and school spirit.

A surprise aud was the big event Monday. In keeping with the overall theme, the 50's, a take-off on American Bandstand was performed by SC officers, Senior Class officers, SC senior reps, and several "together" teachers.

Monday brought nominations for Teen Angel. Yesterday a look at fashions of 15 years ago was the scene. The day was called "The 50's" and school-spirited students dressed accordingly. After school the serf sale was held.

This afternoon after school, a first for SW will take place - a pie eating contest with representatives from each class.

Winding up Spirit Week tomorrow will be the traditional spirit aud. Spirit Man and Spirit Woman will be announced as will the winners of the Teen Angel contest. Class Kings and Queens will be introduced. A new feature will be the Mouseketeers.

The coordinators for Spirit Week are senior Sue Spravale and junior Steve Daniels. In addition to the spirit buttons, scrolls were also sold. They were designed by seniors Becky Vuch, Elaine Daugherty, and Mary Jane Moxley.

## More than a Hound Dog

The following article appeared in the 1963 October issue of PIONEER:

"First period found Miss Milliken baby sitting in her Clothing I class. The baby? A brown and white pooch with two black eyes.



photo courtesy Mr. Rosenberg

In a family scene, Mr. Rosenberg and his wife give attention to Erin, SW's special pooch.



photo courtesy of Mr. Young

Preparing early for the Easter season, Mr. Young models the rabbit ears his wife fashioned for him to go with his bandaged head.

## Mr. Young Has Speedy Recovery

Principal Robert M. Young has returned to Southwest following his recovery from a serious operation over the Thanksgiving holiday.

The complicated operation, which removed a tumorous gland under his ear, took a total of five hours and fifteen minutes to perform. A microscopic glass was used to enlarge the field because individual cells were removed. The work was so painstaking that two surgeons worked in alternating half-hour shifts.

Because of the extreme swelling after the operation, Mr. Young was in intensive care for two days.

Mr. Young does not like the confinement of hospitals, but he realizes the necessity of them and appreciates the help and encouragement he received.

He also stated, "Even the few days I spent in the hospital made me very thankful. I saw many people in much worse condition with many more problems than I had."

## Pioneer Calendar

- Dec.  
23 Spirit Week Aud  
24 Christmas vacation begins  
Jan.  
3 Classes resume  
13 Basketball Homecoming  
14 Holiday Dr. King's birthday  
15 Senior - sponsored dance

# Senior Privileges - Yes or No?

*Editor's note - Beginning on November 18, Southwest seniors were allowed to leave the campus for lunch. Many area high schools have senior privileges such as this or others. The PIONEER staff was divided on the issue of having senior privileges, and because of the opposing views on the question, space is given to both sides:*

By Jane Ash  
PIONEER Editorial Writer

I don't believe seniors should be entitled to any form of special treatment any more than any other group in the school.

Senior privileges are traditions in some schools, but there is no reason to begin the practice here.

Privileges should be given to those showing that they are responsible enough not to abuse them.

As everyone knows, including seniors, maturity does not come automatically with age, but comes after students are given responsibilities and are taught to accept them. Of course, they are not necessarily seniors.

We must realize that the earlier students are given responsibility, the sooner they will know how to accept it.

Senior privileges are already causing problems at Southwest. Specifically, students are questioning who is entitled to the title "senior." A group of "juniors" that hope to graduate at the end of this year feel if there are senior privileges, they are entitled to them.

I see no purpose in having any arbitrary group to be selected for privileges for no reason other than having been given the title of "senior."

For instance, in the case of open campus lunch, I feel if it is practical to have only one portion of the school participate, the portion should be a cross section of the school, rather than the "privileged seniors."

By Iris Farrell  
PIONEER Editorial Writer

I feel that there is nothing wrong with senior privileges. The law provides certain ages at which one can vote, drink, get married and sign contracts. Parents extend privileges such as dating and staying out late when their children show that they are able to handle them wisely. Why shouldn't schools do the same thing? The average senior is more mature than the average freshman, so he should get the privileges that go with maturity.

In most cases, it is impossible to extend a new plan or privilege to everyone in a school, so it makes sense to extend it to the students who are more mature. It does seem to be better that someone get the benefits of such a plan as the open campus during lunch than nobody getting anything out of it at all.

Society has a way of giving benefits to people who have been in a particular place for a certain length of time. This practice is called seniority. In labor, for instance, the prize jobs go to the men who have worked the longest, and when the layoffs come, they are usually the last to go. They are entitled to special privileges because they have been there longer.

Students are entitled to this too. After three years of work, we are entitled to some special considerations. After all, the word "seniority" has a senior in it.



**"A Delicate Ornament"**

## Locker Thefts Increase

Locker thefts are rising.

During a three week survey taken several weeks ago, 101 lockers were broken into at Southwest. The survey, conducted by Walter Turner, A.V. Technician, showed that the first floor of the old building has the greatest rate of theft.

The second floor behind the stage was found to have the next highest theft rate, while the third floor seems to be the safest, having only five reported thefts.

Most locker thefts have been after school Wednesday and Thursday.

The following suggestions are offered by PIONEER in the hope that they will reduce locker thefts:

-Anyone seeing a person breaking into a locker should report it to the administration, for many locker thefts occur during school hours.

-Buy a good, strong lock. Too often a cheap lock is easily and quietly broken off.

-If you use a combination lock, scramble the dial after locking. Sometimes students leave the lock on the last number to make it faster to open later. Any student could easily pull on the lock and steal the contents of the locker.

-Don't bring unnecessary items to school to leave in your locker. Bringing items such as records tape players and cameras are invitations to thieves. If you must, make arrangements to have a teacher lock up these valuables.

-Don't share a locker unless you must.

-Don't give out your combination or duplicate keys. In a short time the whole school could know your locker combination.

-And last, keep a minimum of things in your locker and keep it clear so you know if you really have been robbed or if your stolen coat is under the pile of trash in your locker.

## Student Group Meets To Improve Schools

A group of seven Southwest students were present on December 6 for an Inter-School discussion program at Brentwood High School.

Students from Southwest present at the meeting were seniors Jane Ash, Sue Baylard, Anne Jemas, JoAnn James, Debbie Vincer, Dave Wymmer, and junior Kathy Williams, along with representatives from twelve other schools.

Apathy was considered the most pressing problem of high schools. It was expressed that

many times this apathy centers upon the student councils. Two schools present at the meeting had tried a seminar program which appealed to individual interest yet increased spirit in the school. Thirty-five seminars were set up for one hour and fifteen minutes, ranging in activities from W. C. Fields movies to lectures by two confessed witches and karate demonstrations.

One of the innovative ideas that some schools have experimented with is flexible scheduling in which time during the day is allocated for the exploration of individual interests.

The modular system of class scheduling is favored at many

schools using this system. Effective programs have been initiated without compulsory class attendance.

The first meeting was held at McCluer High School and invitations were sent to all high schools in the St. Louis and county areas. This program, which has no official title, is a revival of an organization similar to one that disappeared because of its ineffectiveness.

Ideas such as this Inter-School group are necessary and valuable to keep SW aware of other school activities. Casual discussions of problems and experiments similar to this one can keep SW progressing.

## Support Needed

### To Revive Flicks

By Dave Koehr  
PIONEER Editorial Writer

Two years ago Mr. Kent Forrest, social studies instructor, initiated a short-lived experiment. He had charge of free-study students in the cafeteria and to keep them occupied he began showing films borrowed from the public library. Under the consent of school administration and an okay from the cafeteria superintendent, he showed movies about racing, sports, and a wide variety of other subjects.

But blacking out half the lunchroom caused some confusion and students were taking food and drinks to the wrong side of the room. So, the program was discontinued only six weeks after it started. Mr. Forrest, however, feels, "the idea is still good." He suggested that perhaps Student Congress or P.T.A. could re-activate this type of program.

As a last resort the administration might be able to sponsor this activity. Support from students might help to get this idea out of a "talk" stage and into operating basis again.

## Channel 9 - An Alternative

If you are a TV viewer who is satisfied with the programs on these nights, you shouldn't read this.

But, if you find yourself flipping channels because you're tired of the same detective stories, murders, impossible missions, and family affairs, remember there is always an alternative: KETC, Channel 9.

When many people hear of Channel 9, they usually think of "Sesame Street." Many do not realize that there is a wide scope of programs to include and interest practically anyone's taste.

KETC does not "broadcast," it "narrowcasts." Each program is made to catch the interest of a select group, while other channels strive to please a wide audience.

No one would be satisfied watching every program on Channel 9; rather, viewers are encouraged to select those programs which interest them, fit their needs, or are entertaining in themselves.

Some of the programs offered include guitar, French cooking, sewing, or German. As for entertainment, Masterpiece Theater and the American Dream Machine seem to be favorites.

While commercials take up a major portion of time on other stations, KETC has no advertising.

KETC Channel 9, offers its services to the public. So if you are tired of the programs shown today, flip to Channel 9 - just for a change.

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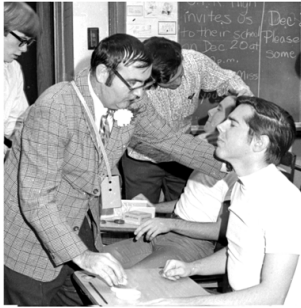
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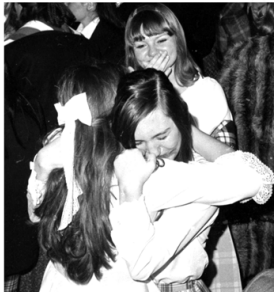
"Look into my eyes..."



"Have we met before?"



"How sweet it is!"



"Now, it's not that bad!"

Photos by John Dengler

## Elf Tells Xmas Secrets

By Jeanne Kofron and Denise Koehr  
PIONEER Feature Writers

A pair of inquisitive PIONEER reporters traveled to the North Pole last week to interview Claus Productions Incorporated's head elf, Knip Reboog.

Knip, a normal everyday elf, stands three feet, eleven inches with green skin, curly toes, and pointy ears. Knip told the reporters, "It's the little guys who get stepped on and Santa gets all the headlines." He added, pounding his little green fists on the table, "As head elf of Claus Productions, Inc., I am responsible for filling Santa's quota and maintaining quality standards in the yearly mass toy production, but no one has ever heard of Knip Reboog. Santa gets all the credit."

PIONEER: (anxious to uncover behind the scene information) Do elves train to be elves or are they born with elfin skills?"

Reboog: "If you're born an elf you have elfin skills. It's our bag - I mean Santa's."

PIONEER: Is it true that Santa wears red woolen underwear?"

Reboog: "It has been rumored that he tends to scratch his belly button a lot, but you'd have to ask Mrs. Claus about that."

PIONEER: "Is Santa really all that ho ho ho?"

Reboog: "Get him on Christmas Eve, fill him with Christmas spirits, and he's ho ho ho. Any other time he's mostly heh heh heh."

PIONEER: "It seems strange that the reindeer make it all around the world with a sleigh load of toys in one night. How do they do it?"

Reboog: "Once again the Christmas spirits play a part. The higher the reindeer can get, the faster they can fly."

PIONEER: "What do the reindeer do when it's not Christmas time?"

Reboog: "The reindeer have off-season jobs. Rudolph, for instance, has a job as bartender at the Red-Nose Inn. Some of the reindeer just hang around the forest with the does. A favorite pastime is to tell reindeer jokes."

PIONEER: "For instance?"

Reboog: "The latest one going around is - "Does the deer have a little doe?" "Yeah, two bucks."

PIONEER: (stifling chortles of laughter) "In conclusion, do you have any advice for all the children hoping for lots of toys this Christmas?"

Reboog: (curling his toes around his ankles) "Steal?"

## News Shorts

### Trevisano Third in Contest

Junior Tony Trevisano placed third among the 100 students who won awards in the 1971 St. Louis Christmas Carols Association Art Contest. Other Southwest winners were seniors Jeri Cole, Nancy Cusanelli, Jeff Lueken, Soula Manolis, and Sue Renner; juniors Bonnie Easterday and Charlie Litton; and sophomores Debra Privitor, Larry Torno, and Ed Wilburn.

### Band Plays for Convention

The Southwest Marching 100, Cheerleaders, and Pom Pon Girls performed at the meeting of the Texaco Convention on December 1 at Stouffer's Riverfront Inn. This group obtains varied forms of entertainment for its convention every five years.

### Science Club Hears Professor

Dr. Joseph C. Hafele, assistant professor of physics at Washington University, spoke at the November meeting of the Science Club. He applied Einstein's theory of relativity in answering the question - "Does a rapidly moving clock tell a different time than a clock at rest?"

### Miss Furrer Leaves SW

Having served at Southwest for ten years, Miss Elaine Furrer, office secretary, left here December 10 in order to begin a new job as principal's secretary at McKinley High School. McKinley Principal Wallace Wilde, former assistant principal here, selected Miss Furrer from a list of candidates for the opening. Mrs. Eleanor Mayeski, employee of the Food Services Division for fourteen years, will take her place.

### Health Speaker Addresses Class

Students in Mrs. Sue Lampros' sixth period sociology class recently heard Mr. Bruce Sommer from the Department of Community Medicine at St. Louis University discuss ways in which young people can help people with medical problems in the community.

## Yugoslav Exchange Student Attending SW

Every year Southwest adds several transfer students to its original student body members. One such student, Tije Djeldum, traveled around 4,000 miles to attend school here in St. Louis.

Tije is an 18-year-old high school graduate and foreign exchange student from Belgrade, Yugoslavia. She is here through a program known as Youth For Understanding.

remarking on her opportunity to travel to America, Tije said, "Before this summer I really didn't think much about traveling so far from my home, but when I heard about this program, I decided to apply for it and was accepted. I was happy and sad at the same time.

"I was happy because I would meet new people, make new friends, visit places I've never been before, and learn English; I was sad because I would be away from my family for an entire year."



photo by John Dengler

Tija Djeldum, a Yugoslav exchange student, is attending Southwest this year.

When Tije left Belgrade, she wasn't sure exactly where she would be staying or with whom. After various journeys she arrived in St. Louis on August 27 and she is presently residing with the Louis Restelli family. She relates that she has been accepted as a member of the family by SW students Jackie and Debbie Restelli and their parents.

On December 3 and 4 Tije was one of about thirty foreign exchange students from various countries which attended a two-day seminar at Pattonville High School.

Tije has met many of these students from such countries as Switzerland, Italy, Sweden, France, Germany, Chile, etc., and through these experiences she now carries the philosophy that "no matter how far apart or from what country they come, people, especially young people, think the same things, do the same things, and wish for the same things."

## Honors

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**Sophomores:** 4.8 - Roy Kugler, Richard Miksicek; 4.6 - Sonia Schroff; 4.5 - Jo Ellen Brandmeyer; 4.3 - Cindy Kleppinger; 4.2 - James Betz, Nancy Eilermann, Mary Johnson, Nancy Kavanaugh, Joe Patti, Susan Piskos, Karen Roberts, Mark Stolzer; 4.1 - Nancy Huett, Glen Thompson; 4.0 - Kathryn Bicker, Disa Brandberg, Kenneth Dopuch, Bruce Dudley, Susan Green, Connie Roesch.

**Freshmen:** 4.6 - Karen Humes; 4.4 - Terry Wilcoxon; 4.2 - Edith Becker, Harold Bentrup, Beverly Pfeifer, Karen Pozzo; 4.0 - Harry Charalambous, Kevin Criscione, Rosina Favazza, Elizabeth Kaletta, Richard Moehlmann, Marilyn Moutray, Suzanna Prica, Oscar Roncal, Delores Schaeffer, Deborah Stamm, Mark Trevisano.

## Student Acts in Film

A former Southwest student, David Armbruster, '69, has made use of the abundant supply of hair at SW.

Dave, a member of the Reserve Officer Training Corp at the University of Missouri at St. Louis, needed some students with long hair to play the part of revolutionaries in a movie about the American leftists movement he made for his ROTC class.

Senior Paul Sherwin was chosen by Dave to star in the movie because Dave thought he looked the part. Besides, since Paul is taking dramatics, he has some experience in acting.

Other SW students featured in the production were seniors Stuart Maier and Tim Walters.

The film is a simulation to show the bombing power of the leftists in America, and extent of their arsenal.

At SW the movie was shown in Mr. Charles Wones' art class. Paul served as narrator of the silent production.

Students here found it very entertaining and laughed hysterically at the antics of their classmates. However, the students who viewed it at ROTC took it more seriously.

## Matmen Have Short Rest

After a busy schedule last week, the Southwest wrestlers will not be in action until January 11 against Sumner. Yesterday the matmen were to have faced Hancock. SW was to have met Northwest and Central, PHL rivals, among others last week.

The SW matmen bested Roosevelt by a score of 45-12. Wrestling hard and fast, SW managed to win nine of twelve matches, six of these by pinning their opponents.

Sophomore Dennis Ventrimaglia, at 105 pounds, pinned his opponent in a speedy 23 seconds. Junior Dave Wellman, 112, followed with another pin. Junior Steve Hall 128, and junior Chris Kavadas 132, repeated the example that was set, each earning a pin. This brought the score to 24-9.

Senior Co-captain Steve Tschannen, 145, wrestled to a win by decision (10-4). Then came junior Burt Linton, 155, who overpowered his opponent and earned another pin. In the 167 match junior Larry Bosch showed his prowess in another win by a decision with a score of 10-1.

Junior Gary Rutledge, in his 185 match, fought long and fought hard to beat Roosevelt's man by the score of 3-1. Heavyweight Senior Barry Brambilla once again outclassed his opponent by pinning him.

By quick-thinking, concentration, and hard fought matches, SW defeated Maplewood by the score of 33-22 on December 7.

## Girls Share First

After much hard work and practice the Girl's Field Hockey Team wound up its season tied for first. Southwest, along with Cleveland, Soldan, and Sumner, ended with an impressive record of 3-0-2.

Senior players were Cathy Ernest, Donna Gerhart, Kris Keaton, Diane Reinhard and Cathy Scully. Providing the support needed to achieve this winning season were juniors Amy Barrow, Cindy McMillion, Sue Streckfuss, Pat Taylor, Sue Wiederman, and Michele Ummler.

Interschool Basketball hasn't been idle either. Practicing every Wednesday afternoon, these twelve dedicated girls are striving to repeat the superb record of last year, 8-0. With seven players returning from last year's unbeaten squad, it seems as if this may be another great season for the team.

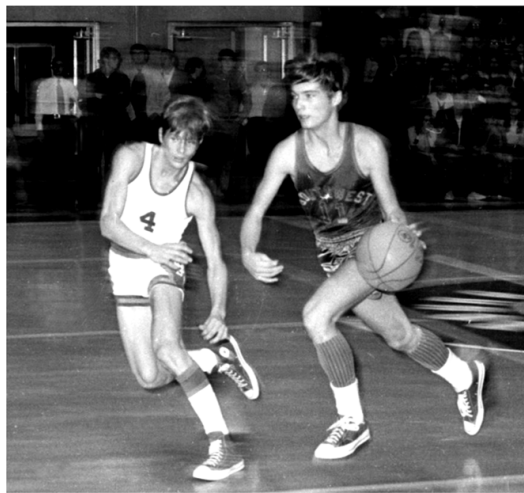


photo by John Dengler

## On Guard

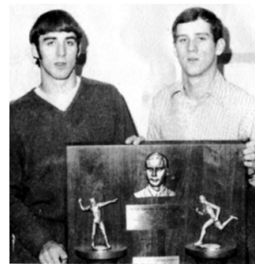
Junior Gary Wideman shields the ball as he drives past a defending DuBourg guard. The Longhorns defeated the Cavaliers, 56-46.



By Jim Thomas  
PIONEER  
Sports Writer

The Southwest trophy case received a new addition when senior Steve Tschannen was selected as the first recipient of the Timothy N. O'Neill Award. The presentation was made by Tim's brother, Dennis, at the Fall Sports Banquet on December 7.

Tim O'Neill graduated from SW in 1964 and was an officer in the Lettermen's Club. Despite a height of only 5'5" and weight of 140 pounds, he earned eight varsity letters — four each in football and track. He was the last person at SW to do so. O'Neill was killed in action in Vietnam on May 25, 1969.



Seniors John Whitaker (MVP) and Steve Tschannen (Tim O'Neill Award) pose with the Timothy N. O'Neill Award Plaque.

Tschannen was "both surprised and honored" to win the award, which is given in recognition of outstanding

athletic performance in football and track.

The head football and track coaches make the selection, based upon a list of qualifications drawn up by the Lettermen's Club. The award for the winner in track will be made at the Spring Sports Banquet.

### Whitaker MVP

Also receiving an award at the banquet was senior John Whitaker. Whitaker, who has started at quarterback for the past two seasons, was named the team's Most Valuable Player for the 1971 season. Whitaker had an outstanding season, "showing great improvement over last year," according to Head Football Coach Leon Anton.

Continuing on the subject of football awards, three Longhorn football players were recently named to various all-star teams. Co-captain Barry Brambilla heads the list. Barry was named to the All-Metro, All-District, and All-PHL all-star squads, for his play as linebacker. Whitaker was named to the All-District and All-PHL squads while end Paul Lazare gained All-PHL and Honorable Mention All-District recognition.

### Odds and Ends

The *South Side Journal* selected standout senior Ken Loddeke as one of the top five players in the St. Louis area in a poll of coaches . . . Wallach's Bombers defeated Ashley's All-Stars, 2-0, to capture the hotly contested Monday-Wednesday-Friday Third Period Soccer Championship. The All-Stars will be looking for revenge come basketball season . . . Today's column has been devoted mainly to awards and their recipients, but how about the guy who works just as hard, but gets no special recognition? Guard John Rehling is one of those guys and is getting a chance to play regularly for the varsity cagers after three years of basketball. There's one on every team.

## Steers Get No Holiday; Prepare for Hawks

While everyone else is enjoying the Christmas holidays, the Southwest Cagers will be hard at work. Coach Warren Gower's Longhorns will be busily preparing for the January 4 game against the Prep South Black Hawks and the bulk of the PHL schedule that comes in January and February.

With the early weeks of the season behind, Coach Gower's original outlook hasn't changed much. "In spite of two early season losses, we've played well in each game," he stated.

"Steady improvement of younger ballplayers will make us go strong as the season progresses." He added that as far as the PHL race is concerned, Vashon and Northwest appear to be the teams to beat.

What's the difference between a 2-3 zone, a 1-3-1 full court zone press and a man-for-man defense. In SW's 80-69 victory over Soldan on December 10, there was no difference at all.

The Tigers employed all three defenses unsuccessfully in an attempt to stall the high-powered Longhorn offense. For SW, it was their first win in a league opener in three years. Co-captains Ken Loddeke and Leon Hite, and juniors Larry Edinger and Gary Wideman all scored in double figures as the Steers racked up their highest point total of the young season.

In the opening games of the season, the Steers came home with second and third place trophies in tournament play. SW rebounded from a heartbreaking 72-70 overtime loss against Parkway West to defeat Riverview Gardens, 58-46, for third place in the St. Charles Tournament. Co-captains Ken Loddeke and Leon Hite combined for 42 points to lead the way in the December 4 contest.

The Big Green Machine overcame a shaky first period to easily handle SLUH, 68-53, in the SLUH Invitational Tournament on November 26. Loddeke was all over the court, pouring in 34 points, with forward Larry Edinger adding 13.

The high pressure defense of Northwest proved to be too much for the Steers, as the Blue Devil overpowered SW, 84-44, in the championship game the following night.



photo by Sue Henderson

## A Foothold

Senior defenseman Joe Grimoldi successfully blocks a Northwest forward as junior Ray Chavez lends an assist. The SW kickers won the wet, muggy contest, 3-0.

## SW Kickers in Tourney

The Southwest Soccer Steers will compete in the annual Christmas Tournament during the holidays. Yesterday the kickers were to have met league rival, Sumner. Augustinian and Central were SW's opponents last week.

The kickers lost to a strong Mercy team, 3-0, on December 10. Coach Gary Shell feels that the parochial teams provide the toughest competition for the Longhorns and the Mercy game didn't contradict the point.

The Soccer Steers initiated an anticipated rough PHL season with a good start on Dec. 9 as they beat Northwest 3-0. Senior Bob Downey, junior Tom McNeil and sophomore

Rick Buelتمان all scored for Southwest. Ten returning lettermen and junior goalie Rico Lange make-up the Longhorn's strong defense. Along with Lange, sophomore Joe Morgan tends goal.

In the PHL, Southwest is expected to run into some static against Central, holder of last year's PHL title.

Cleveland, it is predicted, has a strong team this year. In the words of Mr. Shell, it is "the toughest in the league."

If they keep an eye on Cleveland and Central and back a relatively weak and inexperienced front line with their fantastic defense, the Longhorns can look forward to an exciting season.

## Swimmers Start Second Season

The Southwest swimming team has started practicing every other day after school at the Forest Park Community College pool in preparation for their second season.

Unfortunately the pool has to be shared this year with SLUH's team.

Mr. Frank Merchant, math instructor, will again take over the coaching chores this campaign.

Coach Merchant believes the pool situation will be a definite disadvantage because there will be times the team won't be able to practice between meets.

## Sports Calendar

### Basketball

Jan.		
4	Prep South Sem.	there
8	Roosevelt	here
13	Maplewood	here
14	Vashon	there
18	Mercy	there
22	McKinley	here

### Soccer

Jan.		
4	McKinley	O'Fallon
7	Augustinian	there
11	Beaumont	there
14	SLUH	here
18	Cleveland	there

### Wrestling

Jan.		
11	Sumner	there
14	Vianney	
15	Tournament	there
19	Beaumont	there
21	CBC	here

### Swimming

Dec.		
27,31	SLUH	Forest Park
Jan.		
7	Cleveland	Forest Park
11	Mehville	Forest Park
13	Roosevelt	there
19	Vashon	there