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photo by Sue Henderson

**What's up, Doc?** For the first time at SW a band, "Doc Savage," performed on the quadrangle during the Mayfair, May 6. Instead of dancing, students crowded around the band in Woodstock fashion.

## Merit Scholars

### SW Boasts Four Winners

With four Merit Scholars, Southwest has one of the highest numbers of winners in this area.

Seniors John Baltzer, Marty Renner, and Rosalynn Van Heest are recently announced winners of National Merit College - Sponsored Scholarships. These three, along with Thom Espinola, winner of

a corporation-sponsored scholarship, are among approximately 3,000 Merit Scholars in the country.

"This is a very unusual number for Southwest to have," commented Principal Robert M. Young. "I cannot remember ever having so many Merit Scholars."

John, whose scholarship was awarded by Westminster College, plans to enter there in the fall and take a liberal arts program.

Marty, who was awarded her scholarship by St. Louis University, will study law and music there in September.

Rosalynn's scholarship is sponsored by Centre College of Kentucky, where she will follow a liberal arts program there this fall.

Thom's scholarship, which is sponsored by the Chrysler Corporation, was announced in April in PIONEER.

## Talent Displayed At May Musical

Last night Southwest music students presented their twenty-fifth annual spring music festival. This year's program, "Dimensions in Sound," included performances by the choirs, choruses, glee clubs, and the Concert Band.

Soloists included seniors Matt Potts, Marty Renner, Mark Saunders, Gary Schaffer, Brad Slavik, and Calvin Talley, junior Stewart North, sophomore Debbie Timpone, and freshmen Debbie Stamm and Molly Watson.

Performers in a special section of guitar numbers and folk songs were seniors Bob Kilzer, Val Mayse and sophomore Kay Baxter. Groups and duets included The Juniors Minus One; Barry, Brad, Chris, and Molly; the Gunnufson Sisters; and Miksicek and Capps.

The Stage Band was last evening's featured instrumental group. One of its numbers was arranged by senior Matt Potts, and another by sophomore Harry Barr.



(from left) Seniors John Baltzer, Rosalynn Vanheest, and Marty Renner are winners of college merit scholarships.

## Four Teachers To Leave SW

For four teachers, 1972 will be their last year teaching at Southwest. They are Miss Helen Gallandt, Mrs. Wilma Bremer, Mr. Al Chettle, and Mrs. Kaye Gardiner.

Miss Gallandt, social studies teacher, will leave after many years of teaching at SW. She plans to go on with her music, catch up with her reading, and visit out-of-town friends. She remarked, "I'm not going to sit down in a rocking chair when I leave SW." Her philosophy is that one must be occupied to stay healthy and happy.

Mrs. Bremer, social studies and Black Humanities teacher, will be retiring this year. She plans to take a European vacation this summer to Scandinavia, England, Germany, and Switzerland.

Mrs. Bremer was head of the Social Studies Department for seven years at Vashon before coming to SW. She believes students here are just as responsive as in other places she has taught.

"I like SW. The young people are courteous and interested in a wide variety of subjects," remarked Mrs. Bremer.

Mr. Chettle, English teacher and assistant coach of football and baseball, plans to move to Kirksville to work for radio station KIRX. He will be in station management, advertising, and public relations but hopes to have his own sports show someday.

"I've always wanted to study journalism, especially the radio and television end of it, but did not have time because of sports in college," said Mr. Chettle.

When asked about his two years at SW, Mr. Chettle remarked, "SW has a good faculty and administration and everyone seems to get along fine. The students are also a lot of fun."

Mrs. Gardiner, home economics teacher at SW for two years, plans to move to Japan where her husband will teach English at a high school there.

Their traditional Japanese home will be located on the island of Honshu, the main island of Japan, in Suwa City, a mountain ski resort.

Mrs. Gardiner plans to take up her housekeeping chores and care for her children. As she put it, "I'm going to start the

profession I always wanted to do in my life."

Some of Mrs. Gardiner's hobbies that she wishes to pursue further are oriental flower arranging, macrame (knot tying), and crocheting.

Mrs. Gardiner is very excited about the trip and her new home and believes it will be a romantic adventure.

"My wish for SW is that the students relearn that they must work together and become each other's brothers," commented Mrs. Gardiner.



Miss Helen Gallandt, leaving in June, plans to continue with music, catch up on reading, and visit friends.

## Students Walk for Development

Approximately 15,000 St. Louis students, including many from Southwest, departed at 8 a.m. on May 7 from St. Louis University High School to begin a thirty mile trek around north St. Louis and the County.

The students were participating in the Young World Development's Walk for Development.

Each walker had a number of sponsors who paid an amount of money for each Mike completed. The proceeds went to a program to supplement the education of those living in the North Market - Grand area of St. Louis.

During the first few miles of the trip, people were running, jogging and laughing.

After 18 miles most of the kids were dragging themselves along, surviving from checkpoint to checkpoint. Passers-by would laugh at the walkers' weary faces, and ask questions, such as, "Are you tired?"

On the last legs of the ordeal, Sophomore Denise Griffin complained, "I've got blisters on top of blisters. The route should have been shorter," and Freshman George Crider kept repeating, "I'm never going to do this again."

However, the weary walkers probably felt the walk worthwhile after they received their free tickets to Six Flags.

## New Courses Set for '72

Four new courses and the expansion of two others will be featured next fall at Southwest.

The four new courses are: Introduction to French, Spanish, German, and Russian (one course); Consumer Buying; Honor Science; and Twentieth Century Music. The English midi courses are being expanded with two new classes while the present experimental Sociology-Psychology class will be continued.

Consumer Buying, a math course new to SW next year, deals with credit, charge accounts, and budgeting money. This will be open to sophomores-track S in place of algebra, and juniors-track G for their second year of math.

An Honor Science course will be offered next year as a science elective. It will differ from the typical book work. Students will be expected to work on individual projects throughout the year.

Twentieth Century Music will be open to juniors and seniors. According to Mr. Robert Nordman, music instructor, "The logical sequence will be for it to follow a year in music appreciation."

Twentieth Century Music will be offered to satisfy interested students who wish to continue as music majors in college. It will be a seminar studying all kinds of contemporary music.

The language course will be similar to a midi course. This freshman course's aim is to familiarize students with the particular country and customs, as well as the language. Basic

conversation (tourist talk) will be taught. Mr. John Close, assistant principal, stated that the two purposes of the course are to give students a feel for the language and a sample of four languages for freshmen to assist them in choosing one for further study.

After a vote for their choices, interested sophomores decided to retain the English midi courses now offered in Junior English and expand them to include two new ones. They will be Short and Bitter Sweet, dealing with short stories, and Vision of a Future Time, which will study science fiction.

Mrs. Sue Lampros, social studies instructor, will continue her experimental Sociology-Psychology class next year. Students work with community projects in sociology and sensitivity understanding in psychology.

## Pioneer Calendar

MAY	
23	Voter Registration; PTA Meeting 7:30 p.m.
29	Memorial Day Holiday No Classes
JUNE	
1	Senior exams, periods 2, 4
2	Senior Prom
5	Senior exams, periods 3, 6
6	Senior exams, periods 1, 5, 7

## Cafeteria

## Cash System Brings Reactions

There is a new sound in the cafeteria, the sound of cash registers.

The switch from using lunch checks to money has made its impression on students.

PIONEER asked some of the administration and students for their opinions of this changeover:

Mr. Robert Young, principal: "This experiment has worked in at least two or three county schools. With our co-operative students and good lunch room manager, I'm sure the experiment will work here."

Donna Pace, sophomore: "I think the new system is more convenient than the old system. Getting lunch is easier now that there is no waiting in line for lunch checks. Also, there is no longer the possibility that all of the checks will be sold out if

you get to the lunch room too late."

Stacy Georges, freshman: "I don't think the new system is doing too well because it takes fifteen minutes to get a sandwich and something to drink. I know the cashiers aren't perfect, but when the system was with checks, I could just throw down the checks and leave. That only takes a couple of minutes. Maybe as the system progresses it might get better."

Dave Fruist, senior: "I don't really see the purpose of the switch. It slows everything down. Maybe when the people learn how to use the cash registers properly, the process will be faster. On the whole, I think we were better off when the lunch check system was in effect."

Mrs. Morris, lunch room manager: "It just takes some adjustment. We have good student cooperation, and as each day goes by, the new system gets better and better. The waiting in lunch check lines is eliminated, you don't have to worry about not having enough lunch checks, and we don't need as much help behind the counter."

Eddie Shanks, freshman: "The new lunch system is good, but if you get there late you're going to have to wait. It's only taking time from buying lunch checks and adding that time onto the lunch line."

Michael Rey, senior: "I prefer the check system over the cash system because in the check system it was easier to borrow checks. People would not realize the amount of money lunch checks seem to add up to. But in the cash system, people seem to be a little on the stingy side."

Cindy Miller, junior: "I really don't care what system we have. In the first system, we had to wait in line for lunch checks and in the new system we have to wait in line to pay."

John Flora, sophomore: "I think the new system will be successful in the future if we all cooperate. Don't get impatient and shove while in the line. If we all keep our cool and stay calm, we will eat hotter food and get better service."



Students wait in line to pay for food with cash at the new register system recently installed at SW.

## Spirit Up with Baseball Fans

Spirit, the lack of which is often the cause of apathy at Southwest, seems to be making a comeback. For years now, school spirit has been on a steady decline. Most activities have lacked a measurable degree of enthusiasm.

In sharp contrast to this trend was the scene at Sublette Park on the opening day of the varsity baseball season. Over 400 students and teachers crowded around the field to watch the action. Most of them walked to the park. Since then, every home game has seen a similar number of spirited students.

Hopefully, this new-found spirit will not only spread to other sports and activities, but will continue to grow in the future.

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## Cheerleader Elections: Pro or Con?

Opinions were split among the PIONEER staff over the traditional method used in the recent aud session for the election of cheerleaders. None of the statements which appear here are intended to refer to any particular girl participating as cheerleader.

By Nathalie Aksentijevic  
PIONEER Co-Editor

Cheerleader try-outs at Southwest are as fair and realistic as can be expected. With our democratic procedure of elections, the entire school, not merely a chosen few, is given the opportunity to select its representatives.

Some observers are quick to note that the likelihood of having a popularity-beauty contest is very high when a massive audience of judges must select ten out of fifteen qualified girls. I feel that capability remains the primary factor in most judges' minds.

Yet, how difficult it is to find one judge completely free of prejudices, completely fair and impartial. That good looks, a pleasing personality or other factors can influence voters is obvious in just about every election there is — including our presidential ones where "charisma" can make a difference. To say that prejudices should not exist is unrealistic in terms of human nature. The most we can hope for is a mixture of appeal and talent in our winners — which is usually the case.

Performance during the season is a different question that should not be linked with the election system. Every newly-elected cheerleader is obligated to attend practice sessions and performances. Whether she will accept this duty does not depend on the system that elected her but the organizational work thereafter.

If a girl enters the competition for purely "status" reasons, under a strict organization, she will soon learn that performance only counts. Such a rigorously trained squad would then set the standards for future ones.

Our entire school should not be barred from electing its cheerleader representatives. Let's face the reality of competition and allow fair democratic procedure to remain.

## Bitter Litter — A 'Pitch' for Cleanliness

By Arnell Hinkle

PIONEER Editorial Writer

In an effort to reduce the amount of litter in America, this week has been designated "National Pitch-In Week" by the United States Brewer's Association.

The campaign, which has been endorsed by national and local officials, features commercials on radio and television, meetings by civic leaders, city sponsored clean-up programs, and various other activities to make Americans aware of the problem of litter in their country.

Anti-litter campaigns are not new to the nation, or Southwest, yet they have always lost their appeal after the primary enthusiasm wore off. Perhaps this time the results will be the same at SW. But why should 2,600 people want to spend six hours of their day in filth?

Southwest has augmented the USBA's slogan, "Litter is America's Disgrace," by the slogan, "We Cause It ... Only

Something is very wrong with the system of choosing cheerleaders here at Southwest if the majority of the students view it as a popularity contest. The growing dissatisfaction with this method shows that change is needed.

Several suggestions for changes are available. First, physical education teachers and coaches selected from schools other than SW could judge the try-outs more fairly. Their votes would not be based heavily on grades and popularity. One representative from each advisory could also judge.

If only modifications can be made, then, at least, a definite list of judges should be formed. In recent try-outs it has been hard to regulate the number of ballots and to verify the representatives from each club.

The proposal to have varsity cheerleaders who are juniors tryout in preliminaries is a good idea. There is a certain laxity which can develop when there is no competition for positions on the squad.

The cheerleading squad should be enlarged to increase school spirit. An additional five girls would naturally involve more students in sport events. If, for example, fifteen cheerleaders were chosen, they could cheer at games in rotation. This would eliminate the problem of absenteeism which was apparent at some sport events this year. There would always be enough cheerleaders to attend concurrent events.

A satisfaction with the method of voting for cheerleaders demonstrates ignorance of what is going on. If cheerleading is based on popularity and not skill, it has no purpose. Maybe a review of the purpose if necessary to support the changes.

Save the beauty and popularity contest for Miss SW, and not for the cheerleaders.

"We Can Prevent It," and this week a special effort has been made to keep the classrooms, cafeteria, hallways, johns, and quadrangle at SW cleaner.

However, the creation of a "Pitch-In Week" is merely to focus attention on the litter problem. After May 21, the litter in America and particularly at SW will not automatically disappear. We, as students and as citizens, will have to work harder to prevent its recurrence.



photo by Gary Erhart

**Hi ya!** Two karate experts in the white class compete at the National Karate Tournament in Southwest's gym, April 29.

## News Shorts

### Stewart in Award Program

Junior Stewart North won the right to represent the St. Louis District in the Missouri Industrial Education Association's State Awards Program on May 6, in Columbia, Mo. There were 20 entries allowed from this district for the state competition.

### Two Win 1st Place in Float Design

Sophomore Joan Berman and freshman Pat Kuehner were recently awarded first place for their Fall Festival Parade float design entitled, "Happiness is a Day at the Zoo". Homer Robinson, senior, was selected as a runner-up. His design was "Happiness is Halloween." Award ceremonies will be held in September.

### PIONEER Co-editors Selected

Juniors Sue Henderson and Debbie Regan have been chosen co-editors of PIONEER for next year. They were chosen because of their experience and ability in journalism.

### May 30 Date Set for 'Reflections'

May 30 is the tentative date set for the publication of *Reflections*, Southwest's literary magazine, according to Miss Charlott Lewis, English Department head. The magazine, which is a collection of original students' writing, will sell of \$.35.

## Honor Roll Calculated

The following students have achieved a 4.0 average or better for the first term in the second semester:

Seniors: 5.0 - Marie Caras; 4.8 - Celeste Kocot, Steve Rakel, Martha Renner; 4.7 - Nancy Cusanelli, Tim Decker, Denise Koehr, Karen O'Rourke, Becky Vuch; 4.6 - Nathalie Aksentijevic, Christy Anderson, Barbara Haralson, Linda Paris; 4.5 - John Baltzer, Pam Crawford, Sherry Grieshaber; 4.4 - Gary Erhart, Rosalynn Van Heest, Glenda Walter; 4.3 - Homer Robinson, Carolyn Schibler, Timothy Walters;

4.2 - Jane Ash, Sue Baylard, Cristina Bennett, Elaine Daugherty, Diane Dendrenelis, Dave Economon, Tim McDonald, Mary Jane Moxley, Paul Quante, Ronald Schrenker, Cathy Scully, Richard Shanks, Paul Sherwin, Mark Wunsch; 4.1 - Cathy Buehre, Karen Courtney, Allison Knowles, Wendy Pfaffenback, John Schilling, Minnette Zelenovich;

4.0 - Becky Boyd, Fran Bradbury, Ray Bruton, Robert Buchmeier, Jose Diaz, Elizabeth Eftim, Neil Ferritti, Donna Gerhart, Kathy Hansmann, Joann James, Kris Keaton, Donald McAnnar, Ron Pozzo, Richard Shrenker, Sue Spavale, Linda Tune. Juniors - 5.0 - Barbara Weinhold; 4.9 - Patricia Virtue, 4.8 - Connie Duever, Dennis Gelner, Janet Millman, Jeri Smith; 4.7 - Dominica Jones, Kathy Williams; 4.6 - Annette Berra, Maria DiQuarto, Louis Miksicek, Mary Thomas; 4.5 - Steve Crusius, John Dubis, James Fajarski, Chris Pashos, Michelle Ummel; 4.4 - Amy Barrow, David Farris, Carolyn

Howard, Sharon O'Brien, Amy Sauselle, Mark Thompson, Debbie Witt; 4.3 - Sue Kinast, Lisa Luehrman;

4.2 - Steve Acree, Sherry Collins, Emilie Dierking, Stan Fajarski, Leslie Hamilton, Diane Senf, Greg Shiner, Teresa Smith, Diane Swallow; 4.1 - Mary Rekowski; 4.0 - Diane Bone, Pam Braun, Carolyn Bridger, Fred Cornell, Richard Daut, Cheryl Douglas, Jonathan Majers, Cindy Niemeier, Chris Peth, Sue Streckfuss, Leo Warren, Barb Whitworth;

Sophomores - 5.0 - Roy Kugler; 4.8 - Jim Betz, Nancy Kavanaugh; 4.7 - Joe Ellen Brandmeyer; 4.6 - Richard Miksicek; 4.5 - Harry Barz, Cindy Klippinger; 4.4 - Nancy Huett, Gerard Moriarty, Joe Patti, Sue Paris;

4.2 - Arthur Cornell, Ralph Crozier, Ken Dopuch, Barbara Duba, Nancy Ellermann, Steve Quante, Karen Roberts, Connie Roesch, Debra Willmering; 4.1 - Glen Thompson, 4.0 - Randy Bess, Disa Brandberg, Jackie Brooks, Bill Carneal, Bruce Dudley, Sue Green, Greg Guckes, Laura Johnson, Lucy Kiesel;

Freshmen - 4.8 - Arthur Westphal, 4.6 - Edith Becker, Carol Bitonti, Karen Humes; 4.5 - Harold Bentrup, Mark Trevisano, 4.4 - Karen Pozzo, Edward Shanks; 4.2 - Walter Allen, Jean Allman, Carla Brandberg, Bonita Buford, Marilyn Moutray, Bev Pfeiffer, Peggy Paris, Terry Wilcoxen; 4.1 - Jackie Reed, Robert Riggs;

4.0 - Giuseppe Di Quarto, Joann Gacioch, Stacy Georges, Tom Goebel, Jeanne Hartmann, Suzanna Prica, Marie Quinn, John Schumer, William Sutton, Lynn Yarrington.

# SW Sophomore Cards' Ball Boy

By Steve Rakel PIONEER Co-Editor

If you go to Busch Stadium this year to see the Cardinals play baseball, you'll see a Southwest student sitting on a stool near the dugout. He's the ball boy - sophomore Mike Antonopoulos.

Having written a letter to the Cardinals' equipment manager two years ago, Mike was notified in February that the job was his this season.

Mike is very excited with his new work and its advantages. He is able to see how a major league team is operated from the management down to the players. "I've never seen such organization in my life," stated Mike. He will be allowed to accompany the team on a road trip during the summer.

A ball boy does more than just take care of the ball supply. One of Mike's prime duties is the collection and shining of 33 pairs of baseball spikes after each game. He also helps in taking care of the uniforms and laundry.

His real work begins just before the game. He places the rosin on the mound for the pitchers and then helps to organize bats in the rack.

Giving balls to the plate umpire when needed is an important duty during the game.

Picking the first ball to be used in the game provided a thrill for Mike. "It was my decision to choose the ball that would be thrown out to start the Cardinals' season."

The season is still young; thus, Mike expects more fun and excitement during the summer. Clubhouse antics are common with the Cardinals because of the many practical jokers on the team. Mike provided a good laugh after the first home game. After collecting and cleaning the spikes, he discovered that he didn't know which spikes belonged to which players. The players' numbers had not yet been put into the shoes.

Confusion resulted ... gigantic Donn Clendenon tried to put on little Marty Martinez's spikes.

Mike thinks that it will be exciting to work with the players all season and get to know them. Dal Maxvill and Joe Hague have been very friendly to Mike early in the season. Mike says that Joe Torre really keeps the club loose, talking to everyone. According to the resident ball boy, Lou Brook and Moe Drabowsky are the team comedians. He added, "Al Stantorini is a real nut - he's a great guy!"

Butch Yatkeman, the equipment manager for the Cardinals, is one of Mike's favorite people. The diminutive man has been with the club for 48 years. Mike said, "He's some kind of guy - he's fair and works with all kinds of people very well." Mike also has become friends with the trainers, the batboy, and the clubhouse boy for visiting teams, Jerry Risch, a 1970 graduate of SW.

Mike is very happy and excited about his job with a major league baseball team. "Just imagine ... I'm one of two guys in the whole St. Louis area who have a chance to be with the Cardinals."

## P. E. Freaks Forfeit Fun

By David Koehr PIONEER Feature Writer

"Puff, puff. Pant, pant. Wow! What a workout!"

Have you heard yourself saying this lately? If so, it's probably because physical education classes have moved outside with the approach of warm weather. That means laps, laps, laps.

Run three, walk one for boys; run one, walk six for girls. The majority of us hate running so while trotting the twenty-mile sprints we josh over excuses for not running.

One kid (talking between bits of "fresh" air) thought you might say you have asthma and they used all your Primatene Mist to make fog at the Junior Ring Dance last month.

Another, mildly gagging, planned to tell the P. E. teacher he was a track man and had to be excused early. A fellow prisoner of war pointed out there aren't too many 375 lb., 4' 11" types on the track team.

On rainy days we get to stay inside and do calisthenics. Oh, and what fun! Fifty-three push-ups, 33 1/2 berpies and 213 sit-ups. And then, the workout.

The girls, I've heard tell, get a real bummer. While the guys are having fun sweating their guts out, the gals get stuck with four toe-touchers and thirty minutes of changing clothes. (What a back-breaker!)

For bad boys a slight punishment is inflicted. It is known as the PADDLE. Nobody has ever seen the PADDLE, but some have felt it.

Several reliable sources report it is six feet long, three feet wide and is lined with steel spikes.

On the other hand, girls receive torture beyond compare. When they do something naughty, their eyeshadow is taken away for a week. (Insufferable!)

Now you've seen a view of both sides. If you don't like yours maybe you could change your name to Francis and hope the computer makes a mistake in your placement - this name benefits both sexes, I've found. But if you feel you're stuck - a word to the wise: keep your  $\dagger+\$ \$ \$ \$ @$  MOUTH shut in gym class.

## Seniors Get Second Chance

By Arnell Hinkle PIONEER Feature Writer

Southwest eighteen-year-olds will have a second chance to register to vote when Mrs. Sue Lampros, sociology instructor, sponsors another trip to the Board of Election Commissioners on May 23. What they will do with this chance is a question asked by many.

Of the students I talked to, all told me that they had or would register; and among those who registered, none were party affiliated. As one person said, "The party doesn't mean anything any more."

Unfortunately, over half the students said they would not vote. Many expressed the view that there was no one worth voting for, others thought that their vote would not count anyway, and some felt that their ignorance of the issues hindered an intelligent decision.

One student who said she would vote admitted that she would "be a lot more excited if there were better candidates," but felt obligated to make a choice. Others were more enthusiastic and optimistic, hoping to end the war and stop the draft by their one vote.

Hopefully, the newly enfranchised students will not end up like many of their parents - letting the other person make the decisions while they compalin about the results.



## Cloud Nine

Sitting in a cloud of cheesecloth, junior Mark Dopuch helps to sew together the 1,700 yards of material needed for a lowered ceiling for the Junior Ring Dance, April 28.

# Longhorns In Lead

Southwest cindermen finished with a total of 5½ points and three medals in the May 6 district competition, held at Florissant Valley College.

Chris Carnes, sophomore, was a two-medal winner. Competing in the junior division, Chris finished fourth in the triple jump and fifth in the high jump. In the senior division, sophomore Luther Fleming was the other medalist, placing third in the 220.

Southwest cindermen out-bucked the Roosevelt Rough Riders in the May 2 meet, held on the SW field. With the help of sophomore Luther Fleming and junior Darryl Hilkerbaumer, each of whom won three races, the Longhorns lassoed 172 points to Roosevelt's 73, stampeding into first place.

The Roosevelt team rode into Longhorn country only to be roped and branded. Our runners captured first place twenty-three times out of thirty tries. In the field events highflying senior Tom Kennedy managed to wrangle first place in the pole vault with a height of 10'.

When the Southside Invitational finals began on April 20, SW was running a close third behind Roosevelt and St. Mary's. By the end of

the meet the team had succeeded in taking first place. During the Invitational the trackmen showed their speed by winning seven races. The 880-relay team of senior Leon Hite, juniors George Graham and Everett Holland, and sophomore Luther Fleming, outdistanced its closest competitor, SLUH, with a time of 1:35.6.

In the field events Leon Hite aided the drive for top position by finishing second in the long jump with a length of 19'7½".

In the Southside Relays, April 13 at Roosevelt, our cindermen finished second. This was due to a misunderstanding of the rules by the St. Mary's team.

Concerning the meet, Coach Steve Nuske said, "When we lost so many relays, I knew something was wrong." After checking with the St. Mary's coach it was discovered that one important rule had not been brought to their attention. This rule states that in PHL relays at least two juniors must run each relay, and one person can be in only three events.

When St. Mary's error was discovered, there was no way to change the final scoring of St. Mary's, 112 points, and SW's 96 points. As a consolation, it was decided to send the SW team a first place trophy, reading "First in PHL."

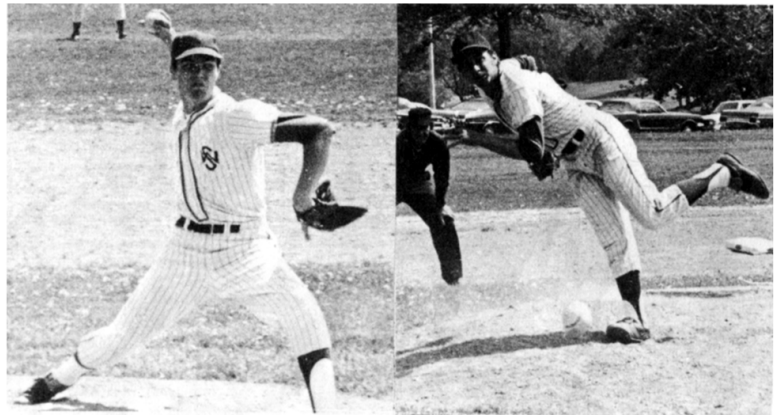


photo by Gary Erhart

One of the strong points of the 1972 Southwest baseball team has been superb pitching. Shown here in action at the District game against McKinley are two of SW's best; righthander Bob Downey and lefthander Sam Kerley.

## Wind Up

# Steers on Rampage

With any hopes for success in the state tournament behind, the Southwest Batmen have turned their efforts towards PHL play.

At deadline the Steers possessed an 11-2 overall record and a 4-0 slate in PHL action. The bulk of the PHL schedule (five games), plus a non-league contest against Vianney were still to be played.

Dreams of a state title vanished before they had a chance to materialize when the Green Monster dropped a 6-5 squeaker to McKinley in the opening game of the District Tournament.

Centerfielder Tom Bostic's second homer in ten days, a two-run shot to left-center, tied

the ballgame at 2-2 in the top of the third. This was as close as the Steers got, however, as SW rallies in the sixth and seventh innings fell short of victory.

This marked the second straight year that SW has dropped the opening district game. Ironically, both games were played on the same diamond in Forest Park.

In the May 6 game against the Goldbugs, the Longhorns could do nothing right. McKinley jumped off to a quick 2-0 lead and increased that margin to 6-2 before the SW bats came alive.

In early PHL action, SW has dominated play. In recent weeks Coach Ed Graham's Longhorns have stamped over

Vashon, Beaumont, and Central by scores of 12-0, 8-0, and 15-2, respectively.

After the first four league games of the season, SW had outscored its opponents 45 to 3. Pitching was superb as seniors Dave Economon and Bob Downey both chalked up two league victories.

In non-league play, the batmen enjoyed two of their most satisfying victories and a disappointing loss.

On April 27, SW defeated the defending state champions, Lafayette, 4-3. The following Saturday the Green Monster did a little Dragon-slaying, edging St. Mary's by a 5-3 margin. SW and St. Mary's had both entered the game with identical 8-0 records.

The victories against Lafayette and St. Mary's showed SW baseball at its finest. Tight defense, timely hitting, fine pitching, and most of all, good team play were all much in evidence.

These vital ingredients for victory were somehow missing in the loss to McKinley and the "non-league disappointment," a 3-2 extra inning loss to unheralded Mercy.

Down on the B-team, Coach Al Chettle's Baby Steers were going great guns until they ran into the Beaumont and Roosevelt squads. Beaumont bumped off the B-teamers, 7-0, on a one hitter, while Roosevelt was victorious, 6-0, on a two hitter. Up until this point the B-team had been undefeated.



photo by Gary Erhart

Freshman Steve Davis and sophomore Luther Fleming break the finish ribbon side by side as they placed first and second respectively in the track meet against Roosevelt, May 2.

## Together

# Netmen Stand In Fourth

The volley for PHL ranking is partially over with the Southwest Tennis Team in fourth place. The last three league matches left the Longhorns with a win-loss count of 2-1. Cleveland is in first place.

The first singles position has developed as the season passes. Co-Captain senior Jeff Lueken has the number one spot on the team for singles. The competitive senior John Baltzer and sophomore Greg Guckes are right behind with second and third rankings.

The doubles teams are headed by seniors Thom Espinola and Co-Captain John

Rehling. In second place is senior John Nelson and junior Jon Majers. Joe Patti serves as an alternate.

The Longhorns defeated Vashon two weeks ago in a decisive victory. They won four matches to Vashon's one.

In the district tournament, May 4-6, all of the Longhorns were disqualified in the first round with the exception of John Nelsen, but he was defeated in the second round.

The season is not over, with three more matches to be held this month. Two of the matches, PHL league games with McKinley and Beaumont, may move the netmen to a higher ranking.



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Mr. Donald Ashley is a quiet man who works hard for Southwest. In his role as SW Athletic Director, he supervises any and all ticket sales to athletic events and, also, makes provisions for a lettermen's banquet in the fall, winter, and spring.

In recent years it has become increasingly difficult to raise enough money to meet expenses, due mainly to the decline in attendance at the basketball and football games.

Consequently, Mr. Ashley has been forced to look for outside sources of revenue. First of all, he pushed the football and basketball tickets with a passion. Next, he helped construct gym sacks, similar to those used by SW athletes, and made them available for purchase to the male student body.

His latest venture was the so-called "National Karate Tournament" which turned out to be a great disappointment. For one thing, only 68 people showed up, a handful of them being SW students.

But this wasn't what caused Mr. Ashley's dismay, he's used to that by now. It seems that there was a misunderstanding as to the nature and quality of the participants.

For some reason Mr. Ashley

was led to believe that SW would be the host of the finals of a national tournament, with participants from all over the country performing. As it turned out, the "national tournament" consisted of the performances of a few local members from St. Louis area karate clubs.

So instead of raising much needed funds for the athletic department, Mr. Ashley actually lost money and wasted much time and effort promoting the affair.

What did Mr. Ashley do? "I just gave those few SW students their money back," he stated with a sigh.

Senior Rick "Spot" Winkler has been chosen as the Southwest scholar-athlete for 1972.

He represented SW at the Scholar-Athlete Dinner, held on May 8, at the Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel.

He was the fall Lettermen's Club Vice-President and currently has a 3.2 grade point average. The University of Missouri-Rolla likes Wink's credentials too and has given him a partial football scholarship there.

Commenting on the award, Rick stated, "I was really surprised," in his usual outspoken manner.

## Sports Calendar

TRACK  
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- 20 State Outdoor Tract Meet  
Columbia
- 23 Field Day  
Pre-Finals
- 26 Field Day Finals  
O'Fallon

TENNIS  
MAY

- 22 Lindbergh Lindbergh
- 23 McKinley Sublette
- 25 Beaumont Sublette