

# Administration pleased with changes

by Lynda Simpson

At the beginning of this school year changes were made in the administrative positions. The board of education selected Dr. Kamm to serve as superintendent, Mr. DuFour as principal, Mr. Mast to be the business director, and Mr. Kosek as the new dean.

Dr. Kamm had been principal of West Chicago Comm-

unity High School for four years before becoming the superintendent. He is very happy with his new job. One thing he misses, though, is having the chance to talk to students. The job of superintendent requires much paperwork and time in the office. Federal forms, reports, finances and bills have to be handled. Dr. Kamm hopes that "once the job settles down and a routine is established,

I'll have the chance to talk with kids again."

Dr. Kamm plans to make some changes in his new position. He states, "There will be things I will do differently. Students, however, will not notice these changes since they do not directly affect them."

The former dean of students, Mr. DuFour, likes his new position as principal so far. "I think it is exciting to be the principal at this time because when the construction is finished, it will be the best high school in the area. I'm proud to be the principal of such a fine school."

Like Dr. Kamm, Mr. DuFour misses the chance to get to talk to students. Once things get organized he hopes to have more time to walk around and talk with the student body.

Mr. DuFour doesn't see any major changes in his job as of yet. He says, however, that when the new facilities are operating there may be some necessary changes.

One thing Mr. DuFour hopes to accomplish as principal is to "have everyone, students, faculty, and the community, take pride in the school. Have them feel good being associated with the school."

Mr. Mast is the new director of business. Previously the business manager at DAVEA he is new to West Chicago. So far he is happy here. "Everybody I've met is very nice. They all welcomed me and were quite friendly."

As business director, Mr. Mast's job includes filling out government forms and obtaining new materials for the classrooms. Right now, he is still getting acquainted with

# The Bridge

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Short haircuts: the newest craze at We-Go. "Cut" to page 2 for the BRIDGE view on this latest fad.

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# Wildcats shave way to winning season

What began with a Wardle Mohawk and a Wheaton North victory has blossomed into an era of shaven Mr. Cleans, all the way up to Coach Parker.



"This haircut has it's advantages. I moonlight as a 'Brillo' pad."

How has shaving their heads affected the football team? "We got a better attitude toward football", said Mark Wardle. "It's helped to boost our moral", added Mike Wheeland, one of the few players who chose to override the peer pressure and stay unshaven. "Its more or less a psyche job, we're just as good as any other team", stated Tim Blum.

Whether shaven heads have led the football team to a great season or not, is not known, but they sure have been winning games. Coach Parker promised his team that he too would get a buzz cut if they upset Wheaton North, and they did just that. Coach Parker lived up to his promise as he had his head shaved in front



"Dr. Kamm why don't you get your hair buzzed, too. Oh, I mean!!....."

of the student body and the cameras of Channel 7 TV.

Crewcuts and Mohawks may not be the answer to a new

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"HAIRCUT?! NO WAY!!  
JIM JUST GONNA GET  
BUZZED!!"

style in men's hair, but it just may be in morale boosters. Sure some football players have cold heads, but I'm sure they'd all agree it was worth it for a shot at the state championship.

# Senior P.E. suspended

by Ken Osterman

As of Monday, November 13, 1978, seniors at WCCHS are exempt from taking the previously required fourth year of physical education. That was the official word from Principal Richard DuFour in an all-senior assembly during second hour on November 7.

During the assembly, Principal DuFour stated that seniors will not be required to have physical education class during the first part of the

second quarter of the school year, until December 14. Mr. DuFour also thanked the student body for being so patient in putting up with the fluxuating troubles in construction. He also referred to a BRIDGE editorial (Vol. 8 No. 1 October 6, 1978) that conjectured that all the complaining in the world isn't going to get the school done. If it would, he volunteered to personally take charge of the complaining.

# We-Go's first social worker

by Sharon Keeley

A new addition to our school staff is Mr. Kirby Strohm as social worker. This position is relatively new to West Chicago. Previously, the job of helping students with their problems rested mainly on the counselors.

Many of the kids who go to see Mr. Strohm are referred to him from the dean or the counselors. These prob-

lems usually concern the student ditching, not doing assignments, disrupting class, or home problems.

Case work is an important part of Mr. Strohm's job. Case work can be divided into three branches; individual, family, and group. At present, he is running a group treatment program involving six to eight kids. He hopes to expand on this soon.

Along with casework, Mr. Strohm can also act as an advocate for students. He has the authority to stand up for students in dealings with the dean, police, or court.

Another important aspect of Mr. Strohm's work deals with classroom parenting. This involves educating teachers, parents, and students in ways they can handle their problems themselves.

Mr. Strohm likes his job very much, but realizes there is a lot to be done. Right now he is only here three days a week because he spends Mondays and Fridays at Benjamin and Winfield grade schools. "I feel I could do much better if I was here five days a week," Strohm replied.

# "10 Indians" debut Nov. 17

by Lynda Simpson  
Sharon Keeley

The high school will present "Ten Little Indians" as this year's fall play. Forty students participated in try-outs which were held October 2 and 3. From these, 11 were selected.

Amber Ashpole was chosen to play the lead, Doctor Armstrong. Other cast members include Sharon Bruggmann as Mrs. Rogers, Rod Durkee as William Blore, Jeannie Fenton as Vera Claythorne, Brian Ferro as Phillip Lombard, Greg Heier as Judge Wargrave, Sheila Hodges as Frieda Narracott, Topher Kottkamp as Mr. Rogers, Donna McDonald as Emily Brent, Tim Wierenga as Anthony Marston, and Joe Zollner as General Mackenzie. Thom Wierenga was chosen to be student director for the fall play.

Miss Adams is in charge of sets and props. Mrs. Turner is handling costumes, and Mr. Walton is the technical director.

The play "Ten Little Indians" is a murder mystery written by Agatha Christie. The plot involves ten people who are invited to an island for different reasons. Each person had previously been connected with a murder, and is now being accused of committing that murder. One by one the guests are mysteriously killed. Members of the cast and crew are keeping the murderer's identity a secret to surprise the audience.

When asked to comment on the play, the director, Ms. Crawford, expressed her confidence in the ability of the cast and crew to do "a real professional job."

The fall play will be performed November 17 and 18.



(Photo courtesy of T. Strohm)

# Student teacher joins music staff

by Jim Foster

Some people may have noticed a new face wandering around the music department for the past few months. This new face belongs to Mr. Pat Wilson. Mr. Wilson will aid in the instruction of the band and orchestra this semester.

Mr. Wilson is currently enrolled as a senior at Western Illinois University as a music major. He graduated from Aurora West High School where he actively participated in music and on the speech team. He has been a-

warded several prizes for conducting during high school and college. His emphasis in music is percussion, and while he isn't teaching, he will spend his free time at the piano, or playing the drums.

On weekends, Mr. Wilson

"jobs" with different groups throughout the state. Some weekends he works at WGSB. He would like to announce the news, which is something he really enjoys.

After Mr. Wilson leaves here, he plans on working at WGSB full time.

## IRO-VICA

The Inter-Related Occupation / Vocational Industrial Clubs of America officers are expected to lead the West Chicago chapter of IROVICA through the 1978-79 school year. The group has already participated successfully in the homecoming parade with their Seven Dwarfs entry. Later this year they are also expected to put a community project together, along with preparing for their State convention and employer's appreciation banquet.



(Pictured from left, VICA officers for 1978, top: Mr. VanDeMark, advisor; Karen Gansberg, historian; bottom: Jackie Adeszko, vice-president; Laura Fitzenreider, president. Not pictured: Laura Potts, treasurer.)

## Tragedy strikes

### Naperville

by Holly Gatehouse

A car accident occurred Saturday October 7 involving four Naperville North students. One student died, one remains in a coma and two others sustained facial and bodily injuries.

One junior, Sue Thomas, died. Football team fullback Mike Muelhausen is still in a coma at Resurrection Hospital although he has been released from intensive care. Quarterback Drew Ibach has his left wrist and arm in a cast along with various other injuries. Mary Kuhit has numerous facial injuries and may require plastic surgery. She also sustained bodily injuries.

The accident occurred after the homecoming dance when the four students were traveling home from Chicago on Finley road. The driver apparently lost control of the car and it swerved into the other lane and struck an oncoming car.

## Upcoming events

by Michelle LoDestro

- Nov. 13 German Tables Dinner
- 14 In-service day, periods 5,6,and7.
- 15 In-service day, periods 1,2,and 3.
- 16 Rings and announcements will be delivered during all lunch periods in the cafeteria lobby.
- 17 The play adaptation "Ten Little Indians" 8:00p.m.
- 18 The play adaptation "Ten Little Indians."
- 21 Rings may be ordered in the cafeteria lobby during all of the lunch periods.
- 23 Thanksgiving Day, no school.
- Dec. 2 A meet for the Speech team has been scheduled.
- 7 Language Night. Sponsored by French Club, German Club, Spanish Club, and Latin Club.
- 12 Freshman Chorus concert and Orchestra presentation.
- 17 Girl's Choir, Concert Choir, Madrigals, and Swing Choir will perform in the auditorium.
- 21 Concert Choir will perform downtown in Chicago.
- 28 French pot-luck dinner.

Darron,  
so, you finally got rid of  
her, huh? Surprised you made  
it as long as you did!

\* \* \*

Margie,  
You're getting uglier  
everyday! Love ya,  
Jabbar Jaw

\* \* \*

Mr. Kimery,  
We still love you,  
even if we did have a downer  
of a season.

\* \* \*

Quickie,  
Have you seen LEC or The  
Big B lately?

\* \* \*

Big D-  
Remember when you made me  
get out of the car so you  
could pay up your pids?!

\* \* \*

Kathy-  
How's Fred?

\* \* \*

K. Zehr,  
Thanks for the letter.  
G.H.

\* \* \*

Ron,  
You and what Army???

\* \* \*

Ruben,  
Kill any birds lately?

\* \* \*

Monny,  
36 & still growing, not bad.  
Daddy

\* \* \*

Gabby,  
When do you shut up?

\* \* \*

Ron,  
I think you belong in Elgin!  
6th hour!

\* \* \*

JB,CH,BI,CB:  
What did you do after the  
game Friday night?  
Someone who knows!

#86 is a Hunk!!!!  
Baby,  
You'll always be my little  
baby.

\* \* \*

Jimmy Poo,  
I love you very much!  
can't wait til July 15th!

\* \* \*

Dee,  
Jennifer Melissa Daphne  
can wait, can't she???

\* \* \*

K. Vogel-  
Remember Strobe room??  
Guess who

\* \* \*

to all my woe buddies-  
I don't ever want to see you  
blocking the hallway.

\* \* \*

B. Ferro-  
Get your act together guy!  
A concerned friend

\* \* \*

Mr. Netzel-  
Heard any good  
jokes lately?

\* \* \*

Liby-  
Correction- I meant to  
say you have class!

\* \* \*

Vera,  
Oh no, not Phillip!!!  
Wargrave

\* \* \*

Sadist,  
If you torture me, I'll  
torture you back...

\* \* \*

P.C.,  
Thanx for making St. Louis  
possible. You did a @?!\* of  
a job.

\* \* \*

Masochist  
EIC

Grant:  
You handsome dog!  
Guess who

\* \* \*

Lost-  
One gold I.D. bracelet  
with "Ken" on it. If found,  
please return to room 216 !!!  
Reward.

\* \* \*

Snowman,  
Coke adds Life...  
"toot-toot"

\* \* \*

Ruben,  
Your one hunk of a nice guy.  
6th hour

\* \* \*

Gates,  
We'll have to make that trip  
someday!

\* \* \*

Rian,  
You got a Big mouth.  
Remember the Party?

\* \* \*

Cyndy-  
Held any cold hands lately?  
concerned

\* \* \*

Mouth,  
Your Ugly !!!  
Curtis

\* \* \*

Mr. Sargent,  
Beware of the  
music Bandit !!!

\* \* \*

Alan,  
I's like to get to know ya  
better, etc...

\* \* \*

Candida,  
You're a great coach.  
Squirt!

\* \* \*

Mr. Parker (Tiger)-  
We like your buzz!  
remember us?

\* \* \*

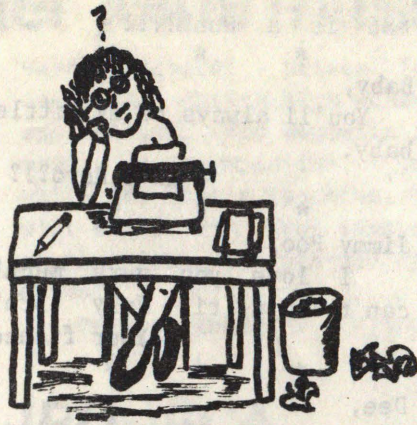
Jim,  
What's Oscar been up to?  
see him soon! Love always and  
forever.

\* \* \*

B.B.B.

# PERSONALS

# Dear Gabby



Dear Gabby,

I love this guy and he had a girlfriend. He loves to flirt with other girls. He says he likes me. I have a boyfriend and don't know what to do. I don't want him to find out about the other guy. I want to break up with him but the other guy tells me not to. I am totally confused about the whole situation. What is your advice?

Signed, Torn in two

Dear Gabby,

All my life, I have been trying to figure out exactly how many licks it takes to get to that chewy center of a tootsie roll lolly-pop.

But unfortunately I have never been able to find out without biting. Please help out and find the answer.

Countless Numbers

Dear Numbers,

After days of trying I found that you were not alone in your futile attempts. But honestly I tried and I could not do it.

Luv, Gabby

Dear Torn,

My advice reminds me of an old saying "A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush." The way I see it, if the guy that you want to go out with doesn't want you to break up with your old boyfriend maybe he doesn't want to go out with you. I'd stay with your old boyfriend. Better to be safe than sorry.

Luv, Gabby

# Student opinion

by Brian Scarnegie

What do you think of the football players new hair-cuts?

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Pat Colford '79, "It's good morale for the team. It gets them psyched up."

Curtis Bond '80, "I think it's very funny, very typical."

Michelle Becker '81, "It looks absolutely ridiculous."

Kim Zehr '81, "I don't think it looks that good, but if it gives them enough team spirit to go downstate, then it's worth it."

Julie Valentine '79, "I like it! It's peachy."

Betsy Myers '81, "At first I hated it but now I kind of think it's cute. I'm glad the soccer players didn't get theirs done."

Dave Gunnell '79, "It's alright as long as everybody else is doing it."

# NEED ADVICE?

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# Choir and orchestra blend in harmony

by Cyndy Heier

Tuesday night, October 24 voices sang and instruments sounded. This set the atmosphere for the first concert of the 1978-79 season.

The national anthem was performed by the orchestra under the direction of Mr. Gene Haney. Bach's "Prelude" from his cantata 156 led off the program followed by Mr. Wilson directing the orchestra in an "Academic Festival" written by Brahms and Muller. Other songs performed were

"En Bateau" which means in a boat, and "The Fair" from scene four in "Petrouchka" written by Stravinsky and Isaac.

The orchestra then closed their part of the program with a LeRoy Anderson number titled "The Syudopated clock."

Mr. Ronald Benner then brought out the three Choirs. Swing Choir showed that in order to get along with the beautiful girls "you gotta be a football hero." The Madrigal singers performed next to "Fa Una Canzone," by Vecchi

and "O Eyes of My Beloved," by Di Lasso.

The concert choir sang five songs during the evening. The first being "Blessed Be God" written by Jacobson. Junior, Ken Christopherson, sang a solo from Vaughn and Williams "The Turtle Dove." Other songs performed were "Lord, Lord" assisted by Chuck Horvath on the acoustic Bass guitar.

Closing the concert Mr. Benner directed the concert choir in singing "Blessing of Aaron."

## "Skynyrd's First and Last"

by Elayne Kassaras

When their plane crashed last October taking the lives of singer Ronnie Van Zant, guitarist Steve Gaines, his sister, vocalist Cassie Gaines, and their assistant road manager, many thought Lynyrd Skynyrd was finished.

Two surviving members of the band, Gary Rossington and Allen Collins, both guitarists, were almost shocked into quitting music forever.

Rossington and Collins stayed together and managed to release an album that Lynyrd Skynyrd had recorded as a first album at Muscle Shoals Sound, between late 1970 through early 1972. This album isn't just a relic for Skynyrd fans, it's definitely one of the finest LP's they ever put out, entitled "Skynyrd's First and Last."

The density of drums, guitars, vocal interplay, and the intensity dominates everything. The only thing dated about the LP is the band's English roots, a quality that has always separated them from the rest of Southern rock.

The group's music is about simple pleasures and grim problems. Two choice cuts on the album are "Lend a Helping Hand," and "Things Goin' On."

One of the best songs off the album, entitled "Was I Right or Wrong," might have become their "anthem" if it had been released earlier. It is a story about a young rocker who, against his parents wishes, sets out to seek his fortune. When his dreams come true and he returns home to see his parents, he discovers they're dead.

"When I went home  
to show they was wrong  
All that I found was  
two tombstones

Somebody tell me please

Was I right or wrong  
Well first I got lost  
Then I got found  
But the one's I loved  
were in the ground.

Papa, how I only wish you  
could see me now."

The album is great music. It is exactly the sort of thing Lynyrd Skynyrd deserves to be remembered for.

## Administration pleased

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the files and getting used to the routine.

As of yet, it is difficult for Mr. Mast to tell whether or not any changes will be needed.

Having taught English here for ten years Mr. Kosek finds the position of dean a change from the classroom. "Teaching and being a dean are hard to compare. They are two different types of education," replied Kosek. So far, he is happy with his new position and enjoys being on a one to one basis with students.

One of Mr. Kosek's policies is that "I like to believe people until they prove they can't be trusted." Mr. Kosek feels it is important to be fair with the students and respect them.

Even though the dean's office is primarily for discipline, Mr. Kosek hopes "kids would feel free to come in and talk if they have a problem."

# Speech team-talk of the school

by Bobbie Weiz

The We-go speech team has started another year with Ms. Nancy Crawford advising and anticipating an exciting year ahead. "This year looks promising," replied Ms. Crawford.

Walt Verdooren and Donna Modica, the only two seniors, make up the core of the team. Walt is in original comedy while Donna is in the Prose category. Juniors Robin Horn and Robin Stroebal work together to form the "humorous duet" for the speech team. Ms. Crawford has high hopes for all those people.

Though some people laugh at the speech team, it's not a laughing matter to the people who are on it.

Speech team is a very tough team to be on. The team is like any other team. It has a conference, district, sectional, and state meets.

In the meet, the speakers are graded on how well the speech is interpreted and the composition of the speech.

There are nine categories at each meet. Each category has special regulations. For example: Oratory speech is an oral persuasion speech. Contestants may use notes or speak from memory. There is a time limit of eight minutes.

Radio speaking is another category. In radio speaking the contestant must present a five minute newscast and a commercial advertising some well known product or public service. There is 45 minutes to prepare for the presentation.

Prose reading is the oral interpretation of literature which contains less than 50% dialogues. Every contestant must prepare three selections and perform one. The time limit for Prose reading eight

minutes.

These are just three of the nine categories. During a single meet, a contestant may enter one or two categories, but no more.

The preparation that is needed for a meet is mostly the students responsibility however, Ms. Crawford is always willing to lend a helping hand.



## FBLA footnotes

by Michele Lindenmeier

Want to see a business prosper?

The West Chicago State Bank first opened for business on August 20, 1908. One of the first loans granted by this bank was to school district #33, in the amount of \$6,000.

In 1908, when the board of directors first met, the bank had 35 checking accounts and 17 savings accounts with deposits of \$26,535. Today they have 4,000 checking accounts, 6,000 savings accounts, and total deposits of \$23,000,000. That's progress.

Their current location on Washington Street was established in 1953. Their previous location was down the street where the "House of Time" is now located.

**Consumer Banking Tip:** High school students should use banking services, especially in getting a savings program started at an early age.

## Tables turned on Tim Weigel

by Scott Debern  
Angela Hodges

Tim Weigel may have come to WCCHS to get his story, but this reporter thought it time that the tables were turned and Weigel be interviewed.

Tim came to West Chicago Community High School to get the scoop on Coach Parker's hair trimming assembly. During that assembly Mr. Weigel yelled over the roar of the crowd that WCCHS has the most spirit out of all the schools he has visited. This set off an explosion of cheers and applause.

After the shearing festivities and the crowd had left, Tim took time out to be interviewed. When asked what it was like to play a semi-pro football team like the Lions he laughed and said, they had a lot of great play-

ers that tried to "make a pretzel out of me." He added that his leg and ankles were still sore.

Mr. Ainsworth then asked him if he had ever been in the girls locker room? "Yes, a couple of times. He feels that "they should have a press room so the player's can come out and talk when they are ready. If they're not ready, they could say something they didn't mean."

Weigel then asked me why I was scared. I told him "this was the first time I ever interviewed someone like him." He then suggested "when you interview someone, like I do Walter Payton, you have to have confidence or they will think you're an auto-graph hound. Just start chatting with them and then you won't be as nervous as when you first started."



# Volleyballers "setting up" for second half

by Bill LeBeau

The girl's volleyball team started their second round of conference play on Thursday, October 26, beating Wheaton Central in both games, 20-10 and 20-7. The team plays a double round,

## "Consistency"

by Steve Binder

"Consistency" was the remark of Coach Paul Netzel about this year's cross-country season. "Karl Huff always finished near the top with Jeff Gary right behind. The four remaining varsity runners would fluctuate into different positions depending who would have a good day." Those four are Dean Burgeson, Bob Wiborg, Scott Mueller, and Dave Johnston.

The conference meet was held at Sunset Knolls, one of the toughest courses in the area. But after a fast pace, Huff crossed the tape with a time of 15:47. Gary took twenty-second, with the rest of the squad right behind.

Varsity took seventh in the meet, and seventh overall for the season.

Then it was on to the District meet held at Wheaton North. Out of 120 runners, Huff finished with a 16:10 and a twenty-second position. As it turned out, he was the sixth individual qualifier of all teams, but only the first five qualifiers are allowed to compete in the sectional competition. Gary suffered a leg injury in the beginning of the race, but still finished 78, with Wiborg 89, Burgeson 95 and Mueller 105.

When asked about next season, Netzel commented, "Next year's squad will have a lot of potential. Huff and Gary should be the top runners in Districts next year."

meaning each conference team is played twice.

The first round was a bit on the dark side for the Cats, ending with a record of five wins and eight losses including six non-conference games.

Coach Gail George stated that they lost the games from "lack of confidence. "We have the talent," she says. "What we are trying to accomplish is a new look for the game. We're going to try to forget the past and look toward future prospects." Coach George explained how volleyball is not an easy sport to learn, that it is a very technical game. "It takes a smart person to play."

The team feels that with a little more confidence and feeling for the game, they could pull through the season with a fairly good record. Coach George said she would like to see more students come to watch the games. She said she thinks they would be interested in seeing how

real volleyball is played.

If you haven't been to any of the games yet, you still have a chance to see some volleyball action with players like Kim Clausen, Pam Kerner, Rochel Ayers, and Laurie Murphy on the court.

## First and last

by Cyndy Reier

The West Chicago Wildcat Varsity Soccer team won their first game of the season, October 19, against the Naperville Central Redskins. Sylvester Villeas scored the only goal in the game for the Cats.

The last regular game of the season was played at Wheaton Warrenville. The Cats lost this game to the Wolverines 5-1.

In the sectional game against Addison Trail, on October 26, put the Cats to another loss 4-0. This ended their 1978 season with a 1-13-1 record.

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game. This reporter can't be because it was a team effort, the offense, the defense and even the fans helped win that game. Coach Parker had each gear of the team oiled and running to perfection.

After this victory the Wildcats wanted to prove they were for real.

They upended the Naperville Central Redskins 14-7.

In this game We-Go held out for another nail-biting win.

After losing the ball on fourth and goal, We-Go's defense held the Redskins and forced them to punt. The Cats scored on the next series when Don Stockton went in

for the TD. A Vic Mercado extra point was good and it was 7-0.

The Skins scored in the third quarter when quarterback Stachura hit Brown on a 45 yard pass play. The extra point was good and the score knotted at seven all.

It looked as if the Cat's were headed for overtime, but a bad punt in Naperville territory put the Cats in position to score.

With less than two minutes to go, We-Go finally scored when Stockton hit Mercado in the end zone. Mercado's kick netted the after point making it 14-7.



**WEST CHICAGO VARSITY TEAM**

First row, L. to r.: Coach Ron Hansen, Tony Novosad, Greg Hansen, Greg Eaton, Ron Voelz, Kevin Ayers, Keith Serpa, Ken Deason. Second row: Coach John Highland, Jim Tierney (Trainer), Dave Beck, Rich Cannavino, Mark Wardle, Andy Vanagunas, Dennis Miltner, John Aaser. Third row: Coach Jeff Ainsworth, Mike Wheeland, Hugh Yates, Tim Blum, Tom Hill, Curtis Bond

Brett Beckwith, Fourth row: Ruben Alcazar (Equipment Mgr.), Head Coach Larry Parker, Vic Mercado, Dave Blasen, Joe Ivanecky, Don Heyden, Richard Swett, Doug Severe. Fifth row: Jim Zalesiak, Larry Miller, Mike Dunlap, Jeff Theis, Steve Boorsma, Don Bell, Dave Adamson. Sixth row: Don Stockton, Grant Anderson, Chuch Horvath, Steve Lockert, Chuck Strayve. Scot Armbrust, Mark Littlefield. (reprinted by permission)

# Gridders best since champions of '74

by Tom Nelson

They did the impossible. But impossible would not appropriately fit in these circumstances.

Billed the must win for the Wildcats and a cake walk for the Wheaton North Falcons, John Rattke was wrong again.

The Wildcats won 27-7.

Coming off a tough defeat to Naperville North, the Cats were up for an upset. With their recently acquired hair styles, the Cats wanted to give Wheaton a taste of their own medicine.

From the opening kick off the game belonged to the Cats. We-Go recovered the ball on the kick off. Six plays later the Cats scored when Daily Journal player of the game, Don Stockton, went

in from one yard out. Vic Mercado hit the extra point to make it 7-0.

In the second quarter the Cats mounted a drive down field which ended with a two yard pass from Stockton to tight end Grant Anderson. But the Falcons were not going to roll over and play dead yet. This time Bruce Armstrong of North went in from three yards out to make the score 13-7 at the half.

With the strong Falcon finish at the end of the first half, it looked as if the Cats were going to come off their first half on top. But the Cats were going to be king that night no matter how hard the Falcons tried. Any hope of a North comeback was smashed when senior Ron Voelz intercepted a Rick Johnson pass, and took it in for a

T.D. The extra point failed and it was 19-7.

As if twelve points were not enough the Cats came back again in the fourth quarter to wring the Falcons neck. This time after a long drive, fullback Mike Wheeland went in from 13 yards out to make it 25-7. Going for the two point conversion Stockton again hit Anderson in the end zone to close out the scoring.

As the dejected North fans filed out of the stadium there was joy on the visitors side as the exuberent fans streamed onto the playing field, there was little doubt in this reporters mind that the Cats are for real.

How can anyone pick the player of the week in this

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