## We-Go students gain nutrition and lose Hostess

by Dana Netzel
There are some things missing in the cafeteria this year and it isn't the tables or chairs. Next time you're in the snack or ala carte lines take a look at the empty place that the Hostess snacks use to fill. It is true that Hostess is gone and the candy machines were removed from the cafeteria. According to Principal Alan Jones they won't be coming back.

The Hostess shipment was cancelled a couple days before school because of a surgeon general report that Jones heard on T.V. over the summer.

According to Jones the report stated
that 75 percent of americans have poor nutrition.
When Jones heard the report he decided to form a committee to fix the problem of poor nutrition at WCCHS. The committee consisted of Dean of Students Carol Sweeder, Cafeteria Manager Alice Tinnes, Director of Business Mast and Jones.
The committees purpose was to look at what the cafeteria was offering to the students and eliminate the food with high sugar content and replace it with yogurt, whip, juices and other food with nutritional value.

Jones said that they did not eliminate thall they just picked out the food with the highest sugar content.

We've been concerned. We feel that junk food' is not good for you," Jones said.
Jones also said that students are selecting other items that contain more nutritional value.
What do the students think about the Hostess being gone? "It was always the Hostess ceing gone? "It was always the
main course of my meal," Junior Phil Wallner said. Junior Kirstin Nelson replied, "Kids are going to leave school and eat it anyway."

# The Bridge 

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## We-go students fight radiation

## by Alyssa Gall

After reading that the Nuclear Reg. ulatory Commission intended to allow Kerr-McGee to bury radioactive thorium Kerr-MicGee to bury radioactive thorium
wastes in West Chicago, Geri Pashkus and Heather Gray decided to take a stand. The pair began to organize their opposition against burying the radioactive wastes by putting in hours of studying at the library. They attended hearings, wrote letters, called legislatures, and went door to door with petitions. Paschkus and Gray got radio and television coverage of the issue when they organized picketing outside the Kerr-McGee site. The West Chicago Community High School grad-

## Inkspots

## Good news

Any student coming to WCCHS from other schools, cities, states or countries are invited to meet and join a new group. The group is called "Good News" and is open to all grades. It's purpose is to get people acquainted. Sign up with your counselor.

## Almost perfect

The Bridge recently received the In ternational First Place award or Superior achievement in the Quill and Scroll Newspaper and Newsmagazine Evaluation.
The paper received perfect scoring on its coverage, reporting, business practices, classroom news coverage and news leads.
uates received a great rise of support for thorium removal through their organizing and picketing, and with the help of media coverage.
As a result of their action and calls to egislatures, Paschkus and Gray got the helpful cooperation of State Representa tive Don Hensel's office. Hensel supported the issue and sponsored the bill to establish state jurisdiction over the thorium wastes buried at Kerr-McGee
Paschkus and Gray, with the help of congressmen and the mayor, were re sponsible for getting the bill into legislature. The bill (House Bill 3429) was passed in both the state house and in the senate. Their efforts were rewarded Fri-

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The 1988 yearbooks will arrive October 7. To pick up your copy you must presen your I.D. at the school store that day. If you have not purchased a 1988 yearbook you may order one now at the schoo store for $\$ 13.50$. This yearbook covers the 1987-1988 school year.

## Teachers learn more

by Jennie McCann
A few of you might be surprised to know that some of our teachers went to school at Fermilab over the summer. "The Fermi Seminar" was held for fifteen Math, Chemistry, Physics, and Biology teachers. JoAnn Tunt (Chemistry), Al Wiggin (Physics), and Lee Yunker (head of wCCHS math department) attended this program. It was four weeks long, and lasted from 8:30 a.m. to $4: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The teachers involved were paid for attending school. They were given a complete tour of the Fermilab facilities, and learned

## new labs and techniques that

 be used in classes this year.Mary Hafertepe went to a different seminar this summer on reading, writing and responding. This was a graduate program run by members of the North Eastern University of Boston.
She and thirty seven other teachers rom around the world, went to Martha's Vineyard for five hours of classes every day for fourteen days. They found that a lot of the methods they learned could be used for all ages.
Our teachers learned something from school, even if it was over the summer.
day. August 5, when Governor James Thompson signed the bill at West Chicago City Hall. The two activists were invited to join the governor in City Hall, stood by his side during the signing. The governor praised them for their action, shook their hands, and gave each of the two a pen that he used to sign the bill.
With Thompson's signature, the bill is sent to Washington for review, and hope for removal of the wastes is increased. The Nuclear regulatory Control (NRC) is in charge of industrial use of radioactive materials. It will be almost a year of public hearings and study by the NRC before the bill can become a law. If the NRC grants the state jurisdiction, then Illinois will have the power to tell KerrMcGee to remove the radioactive waste.
The fight is not completely over yet. The two activists will be watching closely while the NRC reviewing continues. They are prepared to take action if Kerr-McGee tries to pull a fast one.
Pashkus and Gray vow that KerrMcGee will be under close scrutiny, and they will be ready for action until the fences around Kerr-McGee are taken down and the sight is completely safe.

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As for the hot lunch food sugar has been cut by half and salt and seasonings eliminated. The cooks also use low cholesterol oil, don't fry foods and are more nutritious conscious. Tinn are nutritious conscious. Tinnes said that yogurt bus frozen because of the expense of it, but frozen yogurt may be an alternative. She also said that she is opened to suggestions from students on other nutritious snacks that could be added to the lines.
The ice cream and chips were kept, but as far as Hostess Twinkies, Honeybuns, Ho-Ho's, Ding Dongs and Kudos they're a part of history.

## New faces at WCCHS

by Dollie Blacklidge
As you walk through the halls you may notice many new faces on students and teachers both. This year we have five new teachers.
These teachers are; Linda Alexander (social studies), Ursula Baker (foreign language), Amy Dillinger and Judith Schuster (math), Catherine Walser (English).
The first day of school went better than expected, according to the new teachers. "It was a bit hectic with all the new faces and a new schedule but it went smoothly," commented Dillinger. "It was exhausting," Walser answered.
They commented on how helpful the other faculty has been to them. One thing other facuity has been to them. One thing students that are conscientious workers. For the first day of school they felt it went For the first
rather well.

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# Opinion <br> The Bridge/September 16, 1988 <br> <br> Fifteen bucks?! <br> <br> Fifteen bucks?! I oughta sue! 

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This year when students registered, they found that there was a new fee some people had to pay. This $\$ 15.00$ activity fee has concerned some students since WCCHS's sports program has never required one before. The editors of the Bridge felt there was a need to find the reasons behind the fee.
The idea of paying a fee for participating in after school activities is not a new one. Many other schools have such a fee. This year, many different school budgets were cut including some coaching and teaching jobs. The school budget needed to be trimmed and new money sources found. Our Superintendent Dr. Kamm and the schoo board decided to institute the $\$ 15.00$ fee to cover some sports expenses. The dollar amount is a fair one as some other school's fees are more expensive. Glenbard North, East, and South charge $\$ 15.00$ per sport. Wheaton Central and North charge $\$ 28.00$ per sport.
The students that are required to pay this fee are those who will participate in any school activity not directly related to a class. Once a student has paid this fee, it covers the entire year. No matter how many activities you are in, you only pay $\$ 15.00$.
Another concern that needs to be addressed is whether or not there will be such a fee next year. Dr. Allan Jones, WCCHS Principal said that we cannot tell whether or not a fee will be necessary until the school board inspects the school's financial situation after the 198889 school year. It would be possible, then, for the fee to go up, stay the same, go down, or even be abolished. Hopefully, the fee will not be necessary in the years to come.
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## Fair Fee

Dear Editor,
During the week of registration and the first few days of school, I heard many complaints against the new $\$ 15$ activity fee, which was required for all students participating in an activity. Students seem to think the fee is unfair and unnecessary. I believe that, at the present time, this fee is necessary to continue the activities at our school.

There have been significant cutbacks in state and federal funding to schools. As a result, public schools have had less money for the funding of their own programs. I don't believe our school is charg. ing this activity fee to make money, but to have enough money to continue our programs.

## Bob's Corner



## Kids helping kids

I would like to hope that in the future if educational funding to schools is increased, that the activity fee will be abolished. I would also like to ask the administration to inform students, through the Bridge, of their reasons for changes in policy now, and in the future.

Sincerely,
Sara Langellier
by Renee Manning


Need help solving a problem? Or just feel like talking to someone?
There is a new program at West Chicago Community High school designed for students who need to alk to a person their own age. The program lets kids help kids The main target group is incoming freshmen, but sophomores and upperclassmen can come to straighten out any family, school, or peer problems they may be having. The object is to let students know they can go to someone their own age for support. However, the program is to serve, "not as a substitute, but a supplement," to the school's guidance a supplement, to the school's guidance
department, according to guidance coundepartment, acco
elor Robert Hein.
The selection of the peer listeners began last May. There was a general student announcement made for all who were interested, to attend an informa tional meeting. In addition, the faculty was asked to nominate students they felt would be interested in participating in the program. Those students who attended the meeting were asked to fill out an

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application and were then interviewed. After finding out how much time an effort the program required, many stu dents eliminated themselves from the competition. The remaining students at tended a week-long training session, toaling 40 hours of instruction. The students attended the sessions from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. every day
The program had 30 peer listeners, six sophomores, seven juniors, and 17 sensophomores, seven juniors, and 17 sen-
iors. Senior Tracey Brockman has enjoyed the program. "I've learned a lot, I've even changed my views," she said.
The program has already begun help. ing freshmen, giving them tours at regising freshmen, giving them tours at regis-
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the school. They have had one meeting the school. They have had one meeting with a guest speaker, and are planning to have scheduled meetings once the group gets into full swing.
In the next week, listeners will start being paired off with a student and will begin having contact with them either by phone or in person at least once a week. "I'm really looking forward to helping people," commented a senior Sara Langellier. "I'm kind of nervous, but I think I'll be able to handle it.'
Hopefully, the program will interest those students who want to talk to someone, but don't feel comfortable going to a guidance counselor or a social worker

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# INXS? - Nice light show 



## by Andy Behrens

"So whaddya wanna do?"

We could go to Stratford and steal Gummi Worms from More Or Less. Maybe catch a movie. I hear License To Drive is pretty good.'
Does that sound familiar, or am I exaggerating the situation? Maybe you discovered more to do during your summer than play miniature golf, hang out at malls, and mull over Wego's badminton chances this year. The season's right around the corner, y 'know.

Personally, when I want to step out of this mile-a-minute, Far West Suburban fast-lane, I shell out twenty bucks to sit on a blanket for two or three hours and listen to something I could just as easily hear at home. With the miracle of Dolby noise reduction, no less.
What can I say, it's my little escape
No, I didn't catch everybody this summer, so if you consider my not spending money on Guns 'N' Roses, Debbie Gibson, or Iron Maiden to be a major character flaw, then by all means feel free not to talk to me. We probably don't hang out too much anyway.
Robert Plant and the Mission U.K. May 29, Poplar Creek - The former Zeppelin lead-poser looked a bit dazed and confused at times during a set that disappointingly didn't quite hit two hours. At other times, however, Plant was absolutely inspiring.
He did us all a favor by not indulging in so much as a chord of Honeydrippers material, while much of what he did from his solo career was fabulous, in particular Big Log and Heaven Knows. The handfu of folks who came to hear Zeppelin mate rial didn't go home short-changed by any means. His fierce, jagged romp throug Misty Mountain Hop and a solid version o Custard Pie provided the show's biggest highlights.
Regrettably, but understandably Plant's energy level ran down for some awfully long stretches, yet it was still a nice way to open up Poplar's season, even if he did decide not to do "Stairway to Heaven or any of those older, long, boring songs." Gee, thanks, Bob.

If you were interested at all, the Mission U.K.
Bob Dylan and the Alarm, June 18 Alpine Valley. Wearing more leather than I thought was legal, Dylan plodded through two-and-a-half hours of classic music. He covered most of the songs from his latest release, Down in the Groove, including an exciting eight-minute Silvio. However, his set's most memorable points were the final three songs, Blowin'
in the Wind, It Ain't Me, Babe and Like a Rolling Stone.
Even these three classic Dylan anthems were disappointing on a nostalgic level, lacking the familiar organ and harmonica strains that have always been a staple of his work
On the whole, Dylan looked a bit more eager to finish his set than to please the crowd
The Alarm proved to be one of the summer's biggest surprises, punctuating their hour on stage with a fairly inspiring Spirit of ' 76 off their Strength album. The Alarm also deserves a little sympathy, seeing as how an Irish band that doesn't look and sound just like U2 has no hope of being commercially acceptable. One group of Gaelic-wailers is enough for me.
The Grateful Dead, June 19, Alpine Valley. The controversies surrounding the first of the Dead's four Alpine shows nearly overshadowed the concert itself. Sixty-thousand Dead fans, 10,000 of whom had bogus tickets, saw an incredible show, while 10,000 other people, with actual tickets, were denied entrance. In
botanical substances are some of the best people you could hope to meet. If I had just an ounce more doubt about this whole college thing, that's probably where I'd be. Well, maybe not. They always seemed to be eating bagels.

I hate bagels.
Sting, August 11, Poplar Creek- If anything was lacking from Sting's show it was definitely a sense of modesty. It wasn't hard to get into the Police covers he did, including King of Pain, Don't Stand So Close to Me, and Every Breath You Take, or his solo material like Englishman in New York and Set Them Free, which he naturally dedicated to Nelson Mandela, that being the most fashionable thing a performer can do right now. He even gave a tremendous version of late reggae great Peter Tosh's Get Up. Stand Up.
The only problem I have with Sting live is that he can't really identify with an audience because I don't think he really wants to. It's an intangible quality, and therefore is a bit hard to describe, but it's sort of like walking past one of our lovely and talented pom-pon girls in the hall.


The Grateful Dead in the seventies (above). One of rock's most enduring bands still draw a crowd today.
protest of Alpine's brilliant move, the Dead decided against doing any encores. So, the rest of us had to settle for three-and-a-half hours from one of the greatest live bands of all time

Their covers of Buddy Holly's Not Fade Away and Dylan's Knockin' on Heaven's Door, as well as their own Throwing Stones (Ashes Ashes) were fantastic, bu what really makes a Dead show is the atmosphere. The people- who follow the band across the country, living off what they make selling tie-dyes and certain


You normally don't say "hi" because you know that as soon as they get far enough away, they laugh. Except for you, Roxane. Maybe they're just tired from pommin' too hard, but I doubt it.
Along these lines, Sting in concert can be just a little too conceited.
Crosby, Stills, and Nash, August 24, Poplar Creek-
Stills: "Our new album's gonna feature a cover picture of David (Crosby) naked on top of a camel.
Crosby: "Ah, man, yer toast. I git to introduce you later.
They then broke into a Crosby original about the CIA called Nightime General. And it was like that all night. No, not naked with camels, but relaxed and incredibly fun. It was also easily the best concert I've ever seen.
CSN opened with their most rockin song, Love the One You're With, and

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managed to play three hours of songs you know by heart, such as Wooden Ships Suite: Judy Blue Eyes, Teach Your Chil dren, and For What It's Worth. It was probably the most fun you can have without having to shove something under the front seat of a Nova every time another car drives by
If there was one big surprise, it was that all three had the energy to stand up by themselves for that long, let alone sing.
And Graham Nash even found it in his heart not to do Our House. I get enough o that from Eckrich commercials.
INXS, Cheap Trick and Ziggy Marley, September 3, Alpine Valley No music is any happier or more danc eable than good reggae, and that's exactly what Ziggy Marley is. He's not a genius like his father, reggae legend Bob Marley or as political as Burning Spear, but he is good regrae, and he was the most exhilarating part of a largely overrated triple bill. Audience involvement peaked during Tomorrow People, to date Ziggy's biggest Tomorrow People. to date Zaigy's bigges hit, but, sadly, most of the audience came to see only INXS and missed Marley entire set. It went downhill from there
Cheap Trick was hopelessly predict able, but still fairly good. They rambled through Don't Be Cruel, The Flame, and Want You To Want Me before bringing out the customary five-necked guitar for a very credible Surrender.
I don't think they'll be doing much more touring with INXS, though, because they came awfully close to blowing them offstage, probably too close for promoters to handle (the crowd reaction for a Cheap Trick encore was several times more en thusiastic than it was for INXS). And what
novelty? Well
They had a nice light show
The Guess Who, September 5, Naperville Riverwalk- The classic example of a great but forgotten band, the Guess Who are now relegated to neighborhood festivals in suburbia. That's fine with me, though. It just means you save $\$ 17.50$ on a ticket to see a band that's as great now as they were twenty-five years ago. Songs like No Time, Undun, American Woman, and Share the Land tend to age well.
More importantly, this might say something about West Chicago's status as compared with Naperville. When they decide to have a festival-kind-of-thing they get a legendary band led by a couple of rock n ' roll hall-or-famers, drummer Gary Peterson and bassist Jimmy Cale. Who does We-go get when Railroad Days rolls around? No Wave. Go figure
Anyway, it was a pretty decent concert year. Maybe next year George Clinton will be in, and I can fulfill my fantasy of catching one of his leather girdles. That is, if I'm lucky. Well, I guess we'll just have to wait and see

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## Soccer kicks off for '88 <br> Jock Shorts <br> 

by Jamie Christopher
Varsity soccer had their second conference game of the season on Tuesday, September 6. They beat RockfordBayland by the score of 3-2. The team lost several good offensive players who graduated, but, they have many returning letterman such as: Baldo Cortez, Raul Lopez, Robin Mattin, David Cuauttle, Ismael Rios, Jeff Showalter, Jimmy Trejo, Augustine Garcia, Jesus Agualar, and John Schlinker. There are also many Juniors on the Varsity team

Coach Bob Owens has high expectations for the team. One is to do well in conference all around. He wants the team to "do as well as we can do." He is hoping to see Baldo Cortez as an All-Area player, and also views Raul Lopez as a positive player.
The team this year should have a good season because they have set many team and personal goals to strive for. "The team is hoping to have a good offensive and defensive game and I hope to just go

## Wildcats set sight on

## by Kelly Lee

Playoffs seems to be one of the main oncerns for Coach Bruce Donash and on players minds lately
Coach Donash is West Chicago's new varsity football coach with help of Jim Rotunno as defensive coordinator, John Highland offense coordinator and Bob French offense and defense coach.
"My main expectation for the 1988 season is to win six games and reach the playoffs," replied Donash. There are lots of changes on We-go's terminology, deense is different and offense is similar. Donash also wants to throw the football more. He wants offense to be 50 percent passing and 50 percent running and in defense he wants three shut outs.
The starters for We-go are quarterback Tom Perry, halfback Tyrone Parks, full-
back Bill Vogel, tackle John Belii, tight end Chad Busse, flankers Christopher Nippert, and Brian Lipski, center Jeff Spurny, tackle Brian Radklewicz and guard David Sirovatka.
Donash stated, "I'm excited about coaching for West Chicago football team, they work hard, have great intensity, great skill and if play as a team without mistakes we will make it to the playoffs."
Senior Tyrone Parker said, "I'll do whatever possible to help us win and have a good attitude."

We-go's strong points are kicker John Winterhalder and field goal kicker Tom Perry who both have strength in their legs." said Donash.
West Chicago's weak points remain to be seen but the major weak point is newness of the staff and learning new
out and play my best," says Junior Todd Evans. Showalter would also like to see the team work together to do their best in conference. He has also set high personal goals for himself. "I would like to be able to really work and make an all-conference soccer team and just hope our team does its best.
The 88-89 Boys soccer team has determination that is soaring high and are positive that they will go forth with their ability this season.

## Playoffs

systems.
Jason Slusser stated his goal for the 1988 season was to start because, "I was playing behind Tyrone Parks and its hard because he's so good."
Slusser also said, "I like the new coach because he sticks with us, has great determination and is out there to make us
better." Tom Perry stated his major goal was to make it to the playoffs. Senio Donato Marrello stated "as a team coach works you both mentally and physically his determination and his skills in coaching help us each as a team and individually.
Coach Donash has had 16 years exper ence in football playing at Notre Dam High School for 4 years and playing in college at University of Notre Dame one year and University of Illinois one year

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Photo by Steve Yuroff
A Varsity soccer player Roberto Cuiriz attempts a slide tackle against a Rockford-Boyland player. The Varsity team walked away with a $3-2$ victory.


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