

Echoes



Photo by Erin McConnell

Danielle Commended

Nile C. Kinnick has been notified that one of its students has been designated as a Commended Student in the 1984 National Merit Scholarship Program. Mrs. Carolyn Grasmehr, Yo-Hi's principal, announced that Danielle S. Bushong placed in the top five percent of over one million participants in the twenty-ninth annual Merit Program. Although Commended Students will not receive further consideration for Merit Scholarships, each has demonstrated unusual academic promise and will be honored with a Letter of Commendation.

An officer of National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which administers the program, stated that, "The outstanding test performance of each Commended Student in the highly competitive Merit Program is an attainment deserving of recognition. In a nation that places great value on the education of its young people, it is important to honor academically talented students and to acknowledge the part that schools play in the development of their abilities. We sincerely hope that their attainments thus far will encourage these young men and women to take advantage of their opportunities for higher education and to acquire the skills they will need to become productive adults and contributing citizens in a free society."

Presently, Danielle is a senior at Yo-Hi. Now, no longer a newcomer, she has gotten involved in a number of activities. She is vice-president of the senior class, president of the Drama Club, an art director of the Pep Club.

Danielle Bushong arrived at Yo-Hi last year where she started her junior year. She soon became the student representative on the Advisory Board. Later, the Pep Club was organized and she joined that as well. With her academic ability and participation in school, she was inducted as a member of the National Honor Society.

All participants in the current Merit Scholarship competition entered by taking the PSAT/NMSQT in the fall of 1982. Although the scores of the 35,000 Commended Students designated throughout the 50 states were very high, they were slightly below the level required for Semi-finalist standing. Only the 15,000 Semi-finalists who were announced by NMSC on September 14, 1983 will have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 5,300 Merit Scholarships to be awarded next spring.

Homecoming 1983: Filled With Memories

Although Yo-Hi did not gain a football victory against the American School in Japan Mustangs, the Homecoming Week festivities and dance were said to be filled with a lot of fun and memories.

The spirit week festivities began Tuesday, October 11 with students dressed in togas. There were a lot of eager customers at the Senior Slave Auction that day as Paul Villegas acted as auctioneer. Prices began at \$4.25 and ended with the highest selling bid at \$28.00 for Yo-Hi's president Brian Rogers.

Wednesday was only a half day, but still, a number of students arrived at school wearing their pajamas and baby outfits. Many carried around their beloved stuffed animals and 'security' blankets while others brought baby bottles filled with something to drink. What day was it? Baby and Pajama Day, of course!

The following day brought a lot of wild-looking outfits as students dressed accordingly for Punk Day. An assembly was also held to judge the best punk dancers and the best dressers. Chris Elders and Peter Paulino really took the show as they danced and showed the crowd what punk was really about. Yo-Hi was then entertained by three 'punk' groups: Nick and the Hicks (actually an anti-punk group), the Misfits, and a real punk

group, The Degenerates.

Friday was the annual and traditional Red and White Day. A pep assembly was held at the gym where a Wet T-Shirt Contest was also held. Jimmy Frazier emerged as the winner for that event. Later that evening, a parade and small bonfire was held to arouse spirit for Saturday's game.

Saturday, the sun came out in hopes of a Homecoming victory for Yo-Hi, but when the J.V. game began, it wasn't to be when they lost 6-0. Varsity also tried, but emerged without a victory. During halftime, the court was announced. Freshman princess Kim Jones, Sophomore Princess Jackie Walsh, Junior Princess Sheila Peters, and Senior Princesses Danielle Bushong, Kim Harris, and Cathi Olson. Kim Harris was proudly announced as this year's Homecoming Queen. Then, the Marine Drill Team performed an entertaining show. Later that evening the dance was held at the O'Club.

Points towards the end of the year barbecue were compiled during the entire spirit week. So far, the points are as follows: the seniors have a huge lead with 26 points, the juniors follow with 11 and the freshman and seventh grade tie with 8. The battle goes on as the memories remain forever in our hearts.

Rogers: Always Part Of Yo-Hi

An Editorial
By Jessica Lynch

On Tuesday, October 19, the Rogers' family left Yokosuka to go to Florida. It was a sad day for all of us.



Ed Rogers wonders what life will be like in sunny Florida. (Photo by Susan Smith)

The Rogers have contributed much to the community and to the school here. Mrs. Rogers was a member of the Boosters Club. She was always cheering Yo-Hi on at the football games and wrestling matches. On the humanitarian side, she was the person everyone knew they could go to when they needed a shoulder to cry on.

Ed and Brian Rogers arrived at Yo-Hi during the middle of their freshman year. Ever since that time, they have been an active part of Yo-Hi, especially in the sports department.

Ed Rogers had an outstanding sports record all the while he played for Kinnick. He was an All-Star in football and an All-Star as well as a champion in his weight class in wrestling. This year he also got involved in student government as the treasurer of the senior class.

Brian Rogers was fabulous as the president of student council this year. He was an exceptionally well-spoken orator and an active worker. He brought many ideas and had a lot of support in the things he accomplished. He was also a capable football manager/assistant coach and a prominent National Honor Society member.

The entire Rogers' family was a group of creative, out-going and interesting people. They served us in many ways, and they will be sorely missed by their many friends at Yo-Hi.

On a happy note, they have not left forever. They are planning to return to Japan for the 1984 graduation ceremony scheduled for June 8, 1984. Yo-Hi will be looking forward to this event.

Seniors Planning Next Dance

If you're eagerly waiting for the next big dance, don't despair: The class of '84 is already planning for the annual Snowball Dance.

This year's Snowball is scheduled for Friday, December 2, 1983 at the Officers' Club Admiralty Room. Once again, the music you want and dance to will be provided by Sound Spectrum. For those of you who don't want to miss a minute of this affair, it all begins at 7:00 pm and lasts all the way until midnight.

As in past years, this dance marks the crowning of the "Snowball King." Each class, from grades nine through twelve, votes for a prince. For the seniors, however, just like electing for Homecoming Queen, they will have three princes. All high

school classes will then vote for king and he will be crowned at the dance. More information on this will be announced by the Senior Class at a later date, so keep a look out!

So far, the seniors are planning decorations and will be ordering refreshments for the event. The officers are all quite hopeful that this dance will promise to be another memorable night for this school year.

Tickets will begin to be sold during the later half of this month. Keep your ears and eyes open for posters and announcements about this event. Make sure you plan on attending because you won't want to miss it!

SAT: Is It Really Necessary?

Saturday, November 5 will be the day a number of seniors and some graduating juniors go to St. Joseph's College in Yokohama to take the all popular SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test). Every year, high school students who are bound for college take this test or others like it, such as the ACT (American College Testing). But are such tests actually necessary?

For those of you who are completely lost on this subject, here's a little background. The Scholastic Aptitude Test, commonly referred to as the SAT, is said to measure your ability in two areas: verbal and mathematical. This test is usually taken during may of one's junior year and/or during the first semester on one's senior year. The SAT is not a required test; however, it is strongly recommended to anyone who plans to further his or her education. Many colleges today require that it be taken so that they can have a better picture of the person's ability.

Anyway, back to the question — is the SAT test absolutely necessary? Is it actually accurate in determining how well a person will do in college? Granted, these tests do help eliminate the great difficulty of evaluating students from different schools, especially since every school exercises slightly different grading standards. Thus, these tests help compare the varying abilities of students from different schools throughout the world.

Still, what happens to students who score low on such tests? How about those students who do well in school, are bright, and have the potential of being successful at what they want to do in the

future, but, when it comes to these kind of tests, they never seem to do as well as they hoped to or could do? Also, how about those students who have one of those "bad days"? Everyone has one of those days. The main question is, what's in it for these people? If you think about it, they really don't get much out of taking these tests. Rather than having their test scores be a benefit for them, the scores work against them, making it harder for them to get into the college they want. You also get a feeling of disappointment and some people lose all hope of ever trying to "make it in life."

Here's something else to think about; does the SAT really "measure the verbal and mathematical abilities you have developed over many years, both in and out of school?" (as stated in the "Student Bulletin for the SAT") Today, books, such as "How to study for the SAT" are being created, and classes are being formed to help students prepare for this test. Some students who take such classes or use such books are able to raise their scores. The increase is not often that great, but there is an increase. And sometimes, just the slightest difference in scores can help you get into that college you want. When an incident like this occurs, how is the college able to distinguish the abilities of the two? Does a minor ten-point difference really make a change in a college's decision? When questions such as these have been raised, some people have argued that these tests are not major factors in most college requirements. Most colleges take a lot of other things into consideration as well. A high score on these tests however, does

help. Therefore, it is a factor and just as the saying goes — "Every little bit counts." So, those scores can hurt you just as much as it can help.

What can be done in place of these tests? Well, for one thing, a college should take a look at a student's other accomplishments — leadership quality, a person's character and personality, extra-curricular involvement, etc. Although colleges already take a brief look at this, these are not worth as much as they should be. After all, success in life does not encompass total academics; therefore requirements for getting into college should not consist of the ever-popular grades, classes, test scores, etc. These requirements should not be eliminated, but they should be re-evaluated and their importance should not be as strong. As said earlier, a person's character and other special qualities should gain more importance in the decision making. To certify that such qualities and involvement actually exist, the student should be able to verify and explain thoroughly these qualities, especially today because more and more, you hear students joining or doing things just for their transcript.

The arguments go on and on about these tests and college requirements. Maybe someday someone will actually find the answer to help better evaluate students who are planning to go to college. For now though, whether you think the SAT is helpful or not, the ominous test continues to be given and continues to be one of the admission requirements for college.

Don't Be An Ultra-Sly Thief

TAKE A BITE OUT OF CRIME

"Shoplifting . . . a record you can do without." We've all heard this, we all know it's illegal, but it is still happening. Why?

On all the t.v. commercials it shows some supposedly ultra-sly thief, wearing a trenchcoat, ripping off some candy or a nightgown or some other trivial merchandise. A store detective walks up and grabs him. So what happens then?

The screen goes blank and large white letters spelling "shoplifting" appear as an announcer says "Shoplifting . . . a record you can do without." It doesn't show the police taking his juvenile to the police station, the parents coming down to get the kid out, the courtroom scene or any of the other minor details.

Leaving the store with a magazine under his jacket, the would-be shoplifter is stopped at the door. Shore patrol is called and the thief sweats it out for the five to ten minutes it takes the cops to arrive on the scene.

An official statement is taken by the police and the thief is transported to the all-familiar white van, with the red lights on top.

The police officers are real nice to the thief, because at the time he is so scared he is about to wet his pants. He is taken to PMO (police headquarters) where his parents are called. After another 15 to 20 minutes, his parents show up, sign for him, and take him home.

Two weeks later, he goes to see a judge who will set the sentence. The first offense usually involves the

revoking of his I.D. card and a requirement to community work. The second offense can get your I.D. revoked for up to a year or it can get you and your family deported from the country (this occurs if the incident occurs off-base).

Recently, in a three-day period, there were four different kids from Kinnick picked up for shoplifting. Three were off-base incidents and the fourth occurred in Yokota when some students were up there.

If you think you can get away with it, remember the people who have been caught thought the same thing before then. You better think twice before you do it. When it comes right down to it, either you are a pro or you will be a con.

November Birthdays

		1	2	3	4	5
		Jay Ferrer		Allen Eastwood Merliza Morales		Ben Pacificar
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Andrew Welch	Janet Patterson	Chris Delaune	Nathan Burton Julie Capps	Takako Bruno Zola Arrington Terry Huggins	Stephanie Ohmes Sand Jones	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Joy Larosa	Kirk Harris	Derek Williamson	Julian Kling		Troy Hartsell Gordon Shettle	Miss Ivie Maria Aihara
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Mr. Marler	Danny Bachman	Mr. Davidson Leigh Ann O'Leary	Nicholas Ronneberg	Donna Patrick	Carolyn Newman Anne Abrahamsen Kevin Steen Andrea Hufferd	
27	28	29	30			
Jessica Lynch Debbie Brant	Tamara Pineau Lico Nichols		Christina Koontz			

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Homecoming Memories

Rome Comes Alive at Yo-Hi



Peter Pauline Portrait of Modern Day Toga-wear. (Photo by Chuck Mallett)

By Jane Westbay

Ancient Rome came alive at Yo-Hi on October 11, 1983. This was the

first day of Spirit Week, and the theme was Toga Day.

Toga Day featured the Senior Slave Auction. Paul Villegas auctioned off the 16 seniors, all dressed in togas.

Brian Rogers went for the highest price. Seven seventh grade girls put their money together and bought him for twenty eight dollars.

Sonya Okamoto's younger sister bought her, but that was not the only inter-family purchase. Pat Webber bought his older sister, Tammy, too.

Robert Tomaselli had Danielle Bushong at work as soon as he bought her. She ran around the auditorium getting money right and left for her master to buy Pat Cooper, who was finally sold to Robert for twenty four dollars.

Rob Bushong was seen with a chain around his neck following his master, Jennifer McConnell. Jennifer got plenty of use out of her slave by making him do the dishes for her in Home Ec.

Ms. Grasmehr had her slave, Chris Delaune, answer the phone in the office during his free period.

The money earned from Slave Day will be used to pay the cost for the class of '84s Josten's diplomas.



Did You Oversleep?

By Erin McConnell

Pigtails, big bows, red cheeks, and pajamas all showed up on the students of Yo-Hi on Wednesday, October 12 for Baby/Pajama Day, which was one of the four days of spirit week.

The styles of apparel ranged from long-johns to nightgowns to little dresses to night shirts.

Polka dots were in this year. Stuffed animals, also popular, were brought by the dozen. Some people even came with baby bottles.

Many of the spirited guys wore robes, but a few of the more spirited men like Jimmy Fraizer, Peter Paulino, and Kirk Jones wore total pajamas, not just robes.

People were asked why in the world they dressed up for Baby/Pajama Day:

- "I have school spirit."
- "It's only a half day."
- "My friends talked me into it."
- "I don't know."
- "I slept late."

Is Colby Chandler really a sophomore at Yo-Hi? (Photo by Chuck Mallett)

Flex Those Big Muscles

A Wet T-Shirt Contest was held at the October 14 Homecoming Assembly. Lots of handsome guys showed off their muscles to the excited crowd. First place went to junior Jimmy Frazier for his broad-shouldered build. Foxy freshman Armando Issac won second place, and sexy senior Hiroshi Kiyon came in third. Mr. Derr, the vice-principal, won an honorable mention for getting in on the fun and showing his stuff. Then all the contestants made a muscle-bound pyramid with victor Jimmy Frazier standing on top.

Also of interest at this pep assembly was Brian Rogers' farewell speech to Kinnick High. Brian proclaimed that Yo-Hi was the best school in the Kanto Plains. He acknowledged Ms. Ivie as a great teacher and gave his best wishes to the Class of 1984.

Finally, there was the class competition for the Alma Mater. Freshmen belted it out loud for first place and five points toward a barbecue at the end of the year. Seniors took second, and the juniors hung in there for third place.



Doug West displays the proper attire during the Punk assembly. (Photo by Mrs. Shuey)

Peter and Chris Entertain the Crowd

By Erin McConnell

At first, there was complete chaos as the music started and the Punk Dance Contest began at the assembly on Thursday, October 13, which was Punk Day. Then, out of the blue, Peter Paulino and Chris Elders appeared in front of everyone to spice the slow moving pace. They began to show off their dancing skills, and, as a result, received a lot of cheering and applause.

Soon the music stopped, and the contestants lined up to be judged. Peter and Chris' combined effort took a first for the boys, and the winner for the girls was announced as Debbie Taber.

Next, the best dressed punker judgment began. More people joined in this contest. As the people lined up and were judged, Peter and Chris tried their best to round up some

applause for themselves, but Doug West was the obvious winner because of the amount of clapping he received; Kim Harris took an easy win for the women.

After this, the music groups came out to perform. First, was Nick and the Hicks. This group of talent sings a country song and an encore of "Home On The Range."

Next, the Misfits appeared. They did not quite have their act together, and after a good try, were booed off stage.

Last were the Degenerates who set up a real band and played music. Peter Paulino and Chris Elders once again provided the entertainment and displayed their dancing talent all over the stage while the music was playing.

Here the assembly ended, and the students were dismissed for lunch.

"Miracles" Created

By Jane Westbay

"Miracles" was the theme for this year's Homecoming Dance sponsored by the Sophomore Class. It was held in the Admiralty Room of the Officers Club on Saturday, October 15.

Disc Jockey Bill Doughty of Sound Spectrum kept the music turning all night while students and faculty members danced the night away.

Miss Ivie and Mr. Schmidt were the first of the faculty to get up and boogie. Later on, we saw Mrs. Shuey, Mr. Jones, Mr. Holmquist, and even Ms. Grasmehr and Mr. Derr out on the dance floor.

About ten o'clock, our Homecoming Queen for 1983, Kim Harris, cut the cake baked by Mrs. Villegas for the occasion.

The last song of the evening was "Miracles" by Stacy Lattisaw.

The sophomore class worked in the student snack bar during the first quarter and sold tickets to raise money for this event. Hard work and effort went into planning this dance, and, in the end, the toil paid off. The Homecoming Dance of 1983 was thought to be a great success.

Yo-Hi Sounds Off About Spirit Week

Here are some opinions on Spirit Week:

Bing Pokalny: I thought it was massively successful because a lot of people showed their spirit by dressing in spiritual clothing, but the teachers were totally lame.

Susan Moore: The senior slave day was the best part, but they should have had more seniors for sale.

Heather Lee: I liked it. Punk Day was the best.

John Layl: It was okay. The freshmen stunk at the Punk Assembly when they tried to sing.

Jim Lee: It was——radical, and it was——of fun.

Ron Ranay: It was cool and decent. Kellie Mahoney: I think it was a lot better than it was last year. There was a lot more school spirit this year.

Chris West: I think the spirit in this school is much better than last year. Our new principal and vice-principal are really rad. I mean, how many adults have we had in this school that would go out for the Wet-T-Shirt Contest? Anybody who doesn't think this school is great can kiss-off!

Annette Stillwell: I liked Punk Day the best. Spirit Week was fun. For the first time this year, the school finally stood up and started doing things.



Ms. Ivie and president Brian Rogers take a last dance before he leaves. (Photo by Robert Tommaselli)

Trojans Trounce Devils 23-6

By Colby Chandler

Saturday, October 26, the Yo-Hi Red Devils took on the Zama Trojans. The Trojans beat the Devils 23-6.

Nick Jones and Jimmy Frazier led the Devils in rushing with Jones having 115 yards with 17 carries; Frazier with 62 yards and 15 carries. Frazier gave the Devils their only touchdown on a 27-yard run. It was also Frazier's longest rush. When talking to Jimmy, he said, "I wouldn't have made the touchdown without the great blocking."

On the defensive side, Nick Jones lead the team with 31 tackles. Following Jones in tackles were Mike King with 18, Tom Heiking with 16, and Don Jones and Mike Epperson with 12. Jimmy Frazier also was active on the defensive team with 11 tackles and an interception with a 4-yard return.

At the end of the game, the scoreboard showed Yo-Hi's unlucky fate.

	First	Second	Third	Fourth	End
Devils	0	6	0	0	6
Trojan	0	15	0	8	23

ASIJ stops Yo-Hi

By Billy Nicely and Nick Jones

The Homecoming game was a disappointment for the Red Devils who were nipped 6-3 by number one team ASIJ.

Yo-Hi dominated the game, gaining more total yardage, and making more first downs, but were plagued by fumbles on our own 20.

ASIJ was held by the Yo-Hi defense three consecutive times within five

yards of the goal line. On the fourth fumble ASIJ managed to complete a short pass for their only score of the game. Their extra point attempt was blocked by the Yo-Hi defense.

Yo-Hi did manage to score with a 35-yard field goal by Danny Dennehy. Nick Jones led the defense with 32 tackles and offensively carried the ball 22 times to accumulate 158 yards.

Cross Country Team Tried Their Best

By Chuck Mallett

This year's cross country team is doing quite well, all things considered. They are in last place on record only. Because they do not have enough runners to make a team, the Devils' cross country team must forfeit each and every meet. "Without the forfeits," says Mr. Rydelius, the sponsor, "we probably would have won some meets."

Right now the team has only nine runners. Carl Bolin, Bruce Begnell, Chris Elders, and Scott Wilson who

make-up the varsity boys team, Barbara Gouslin, Maria Lagalbo, and Zola Arrington make up the varsity girls' team. Meg Arthur and Tanya Elders also run as junior varsity members. Though they go into each meet knowing they have already lost, the team runs well," comments Mr. Rydelius. He adds, "Barbara Gouslin and Chris Elders normally finish in the top ten."

The final meet of the season was on October 29.



The Yo-Hi volleyball team display their team effort. (Photo by Chuck Mallett)

Zama Walks on Yo-Hi

By Melissa Crim

Yo-Hi lost four volleyball games to Zama last Tuesday, October 18. The scores were 15-10, 15-6, 15-7, and 15-6. There was a large crowd of enthusiastic fans for both teams.

Junior varsity started out the night with a straight serve landing in the middle of their court, giving Yo-Hi advantage for the first point. Yo-Hi was moving their points up fast, but at point 7, the Trojans started moving up quickly with spikes, with Kinnick only scoring an occasional point or two. Kim Jones was around the court hitting as many spikes as she could reach back over the net. The last point made a 15-10 win for the Trojans.

After a pep talk with Mr. Fong, the Devils were back on the court, ready to get a victory for Kinnick on their last chance for the night. Kim Jones began with a mighty serve through Zama's center court. The game got off to a slow start, with neither team scoring more than a point at a time.

Then the Trojans took over with surprising quickness, made many good hits, with Mammoth Huddleston setting the ball up a number of times. The second game was suffered to the Trojans, 15-6, Zama's favor.

After a short talk with Mr. Fong, Kinnick yelled, "Kill, kill, kill!" and the varsity team was out on the court, ready for action. The Trojans served first, and for every hit the Devils made after that, they seemed to have gained two. Alanne Saunders, Carolyn Newman, and Yoko Bruno did well during this game, using every way possible to get the ball over the net, without using illegal means.

Kinnick started off the second game with Carolyn Newman serving first, a clean serve that hit right back. Again Carolyn Newman, Melissa Omega, and Pam Okamoto did well, with Melissa Omega handling a number of good serves. Zama, however, used a lot of spikes and trick hits and they won 15-6.

Yo-Hi Aces Zama Trojans

By Greg West and Jane Westbay

The Yo-Hi tennis team traveled to Camp Zama in high hopes of defeating the Trojans tennis team on Saturday, October 15. They did just that, winning 4-1 for the girls and winning 3-2 for the guys.

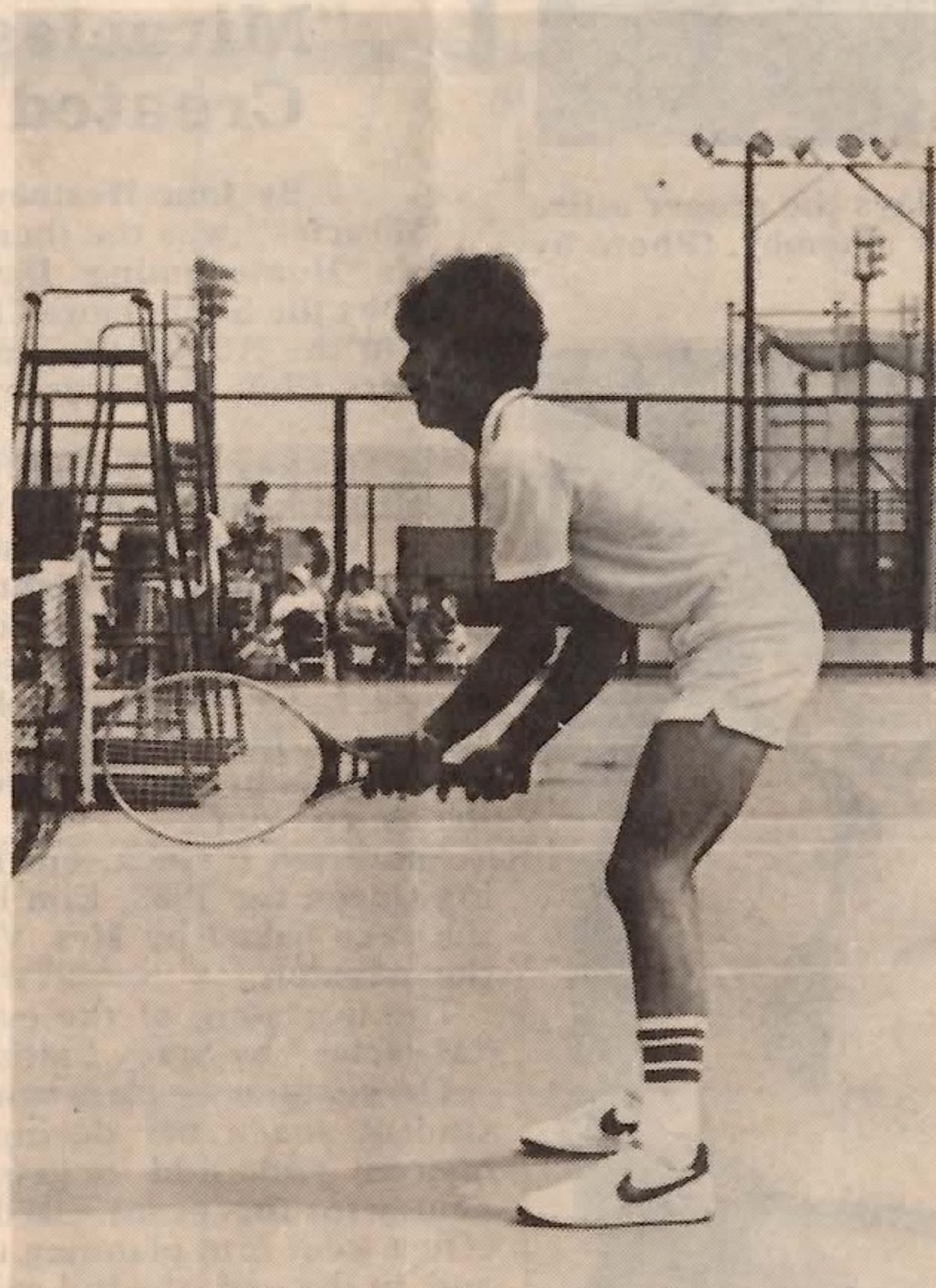
Paul Villegas lost to Steve Wills, but played a nice match. He won four games in each set.

Rudy Omega beat Garth Gilman after three long sets. Mark Wagar, playing his first varsity singles match of the season, did well. His game was the deciding match for the boys' team. He beat Bobbie Okinaka, only letting Okinaka get four games total for both sets.

Greg West teamed up with Jim Lee to play against Zama's Scott Ashcraft and Steve Canada, but they couldn't pull out the win. The other doubles team, however, did very well as Chris West and Michael Westbay beat Jay Johnson and Lance Kawane.

On the girls' side, Erin McConnell played three long, close sets against Kathy Lyons. Other wins included Cherry Villegas (by default), Debbie Brant, and first doubles team Christy Less and Beth Brant.

Jennifer Tabb and Jane Westbay tried to pull a 5-0 win for the girls, but lost in the third set tiebreaker, losing to Vale Farrer and Kelly O'Neal.



Mark Wagar eagerly waits for their opponent's to serve. (Photo by Beth Brant)

Devils Drop Two

By Jane Westbay

The Yo-Hi tennis team had an off day on Saturday, October 22, when they went against St. Mary's and Seisen. The Devils' team lost 0-5, 0-5.

Paul Villegas didn't get a game off of St. Mary's Tetsuo Ishihara. Neither did the doubles team of Chris West and Michael Westbay when they played against Conny Chen and Kota Kanematsu.

Greg West pulled one game off of Alexander Ringwald, while Rudy Omega got four games out of Sulaiman Ghaussy.

The other doubles team of Jim Lee and Mike Jones did the best out of the boys, winning one game in the first set and coming back to take five out of seven in the second set.

Christy Less only won one game out of the two sets. She played against Michiko Arai. Cherry Villegas only won three games off of Jane West of Seisen.

Beth Brant and Jennifer Tabb teamed up for the first time this year to play first doubles. They won two games total. Debbie Brant and Jane Westbay also won only two games.

Erin McConnell did the best job for the girls' team. She lost however to Mishi Hosono.