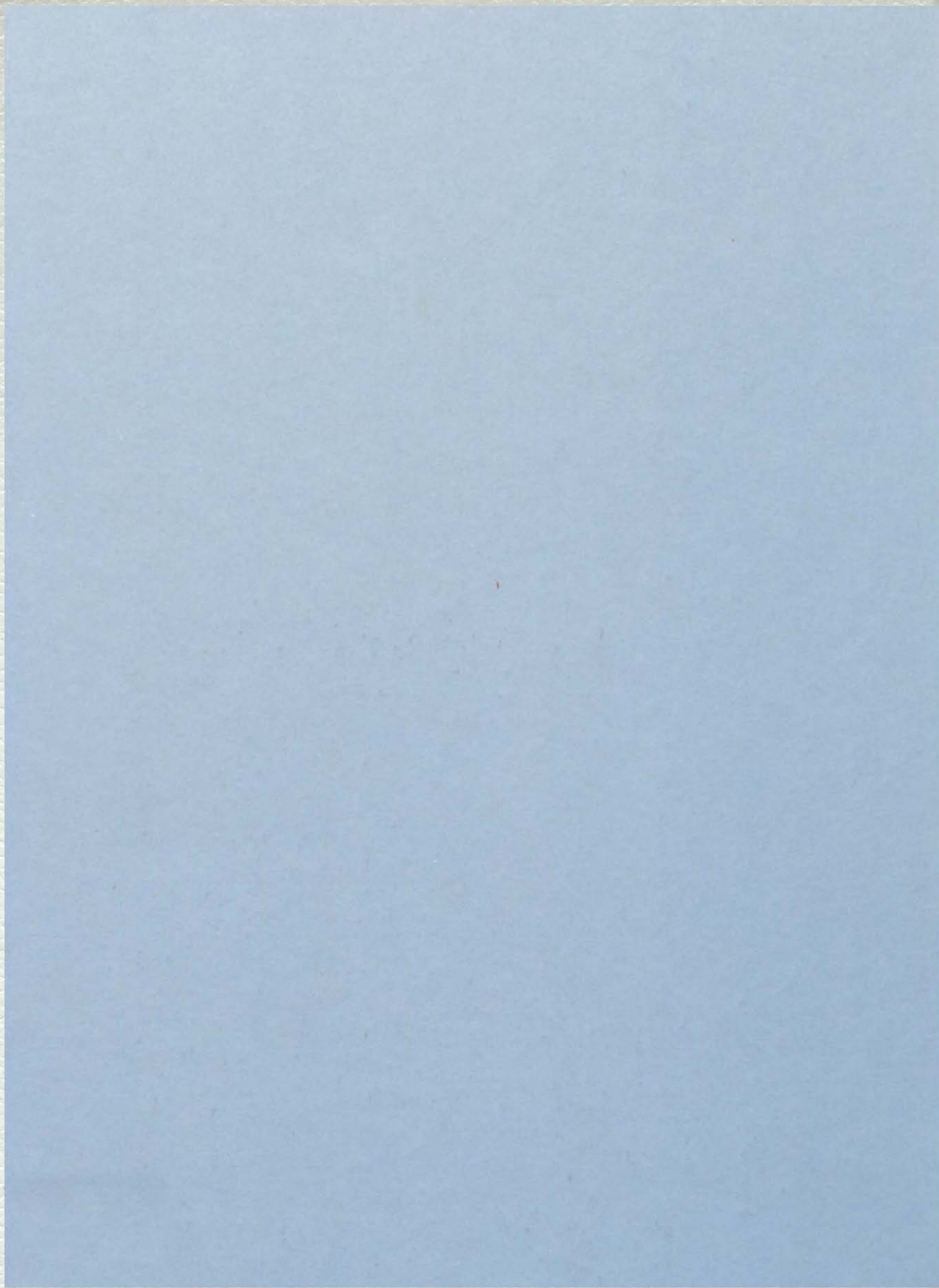


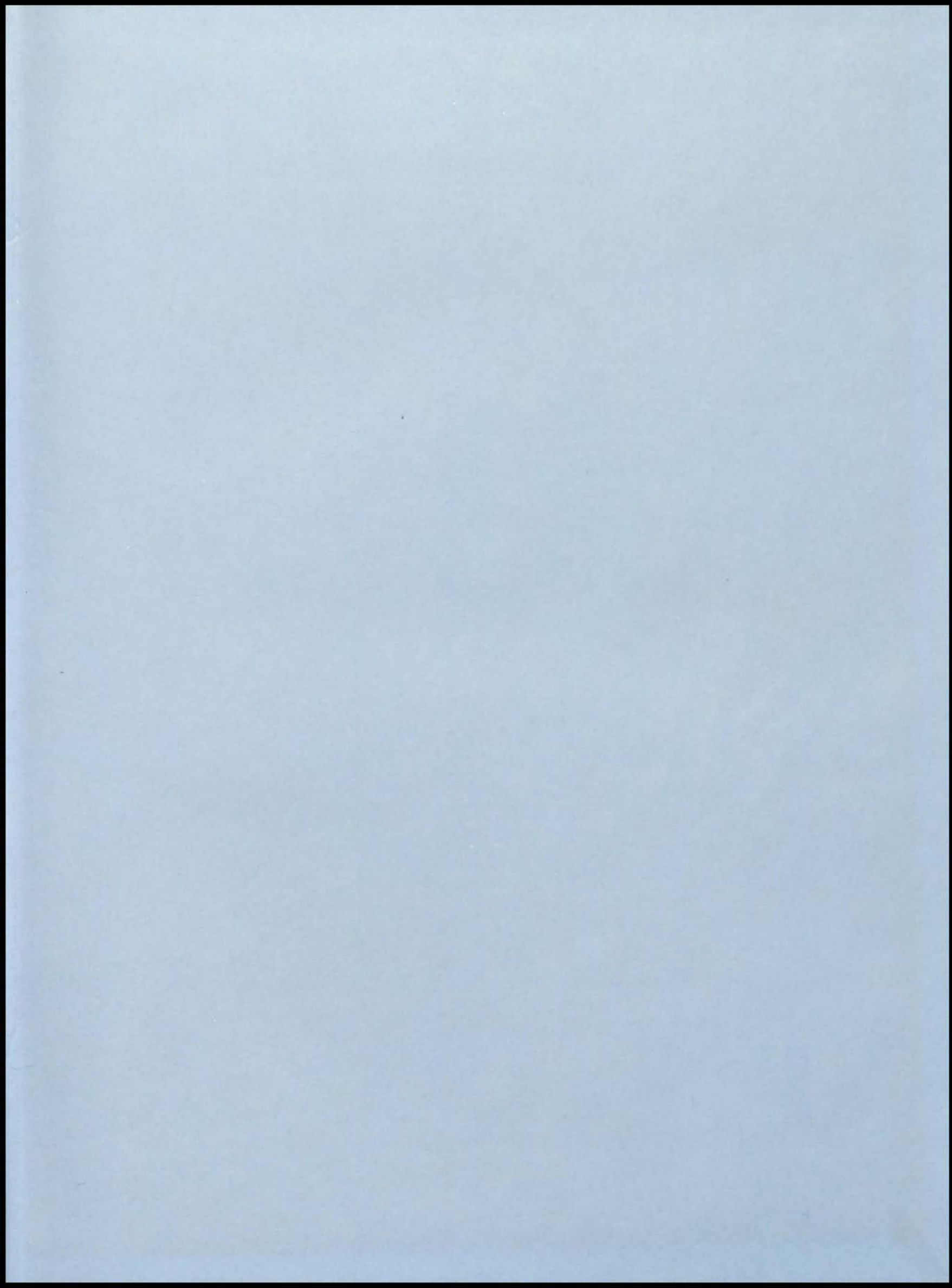


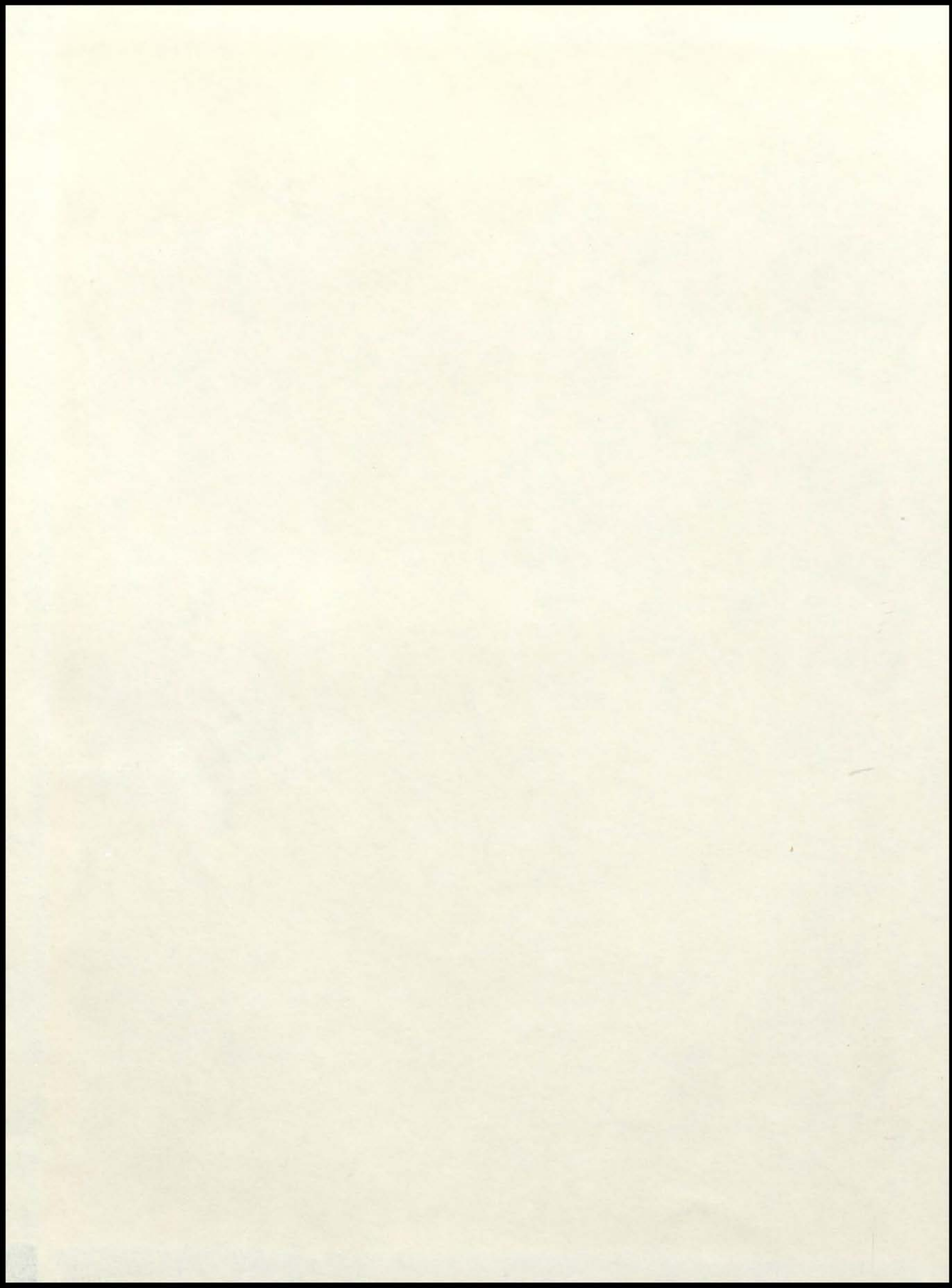
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A blue-tinted photograph of a landscape. In the foreground, there are dark silhouettes of trees and a low wall or fence. In the background, a bright, glowing horizon line is visible, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. The sky is a pale, clear blue. The overall mood is serene and hopeful.

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The sun peeked out over the horizon, shedding the blanket of night to herald the beginning of a new day. A new day—a new decade brought many changes to both school and community.

The biggest change was the reorganization of the district. Two grade schools closed, two juniors highs combined into one and the Freshmen moved to the high school. This move brought about mainly positive reactions from the Freshmen.

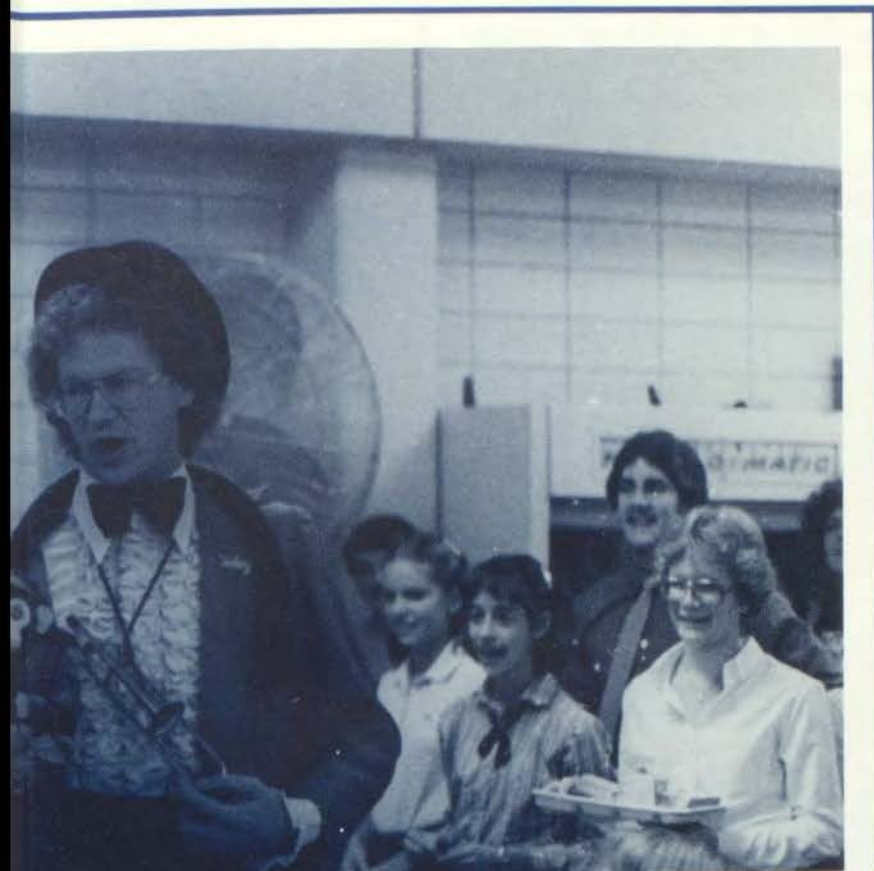
"I like the change because there are more opportunities, classes, sports, and new faces than there would have been at the junior high," remarked Barry Clemmons. Diane Donaldson said, "I like the teachers better because they don't treat us like little kids the way they did in junior high." "I met new people, made new friends, and learned about the theater through working on the play," commented Kirsten Levin.

Many such new opportunities awaited the Freshmen at the high school. They could now work on the play and musical, be involved in Marching Band and Flags, choose from a wider variety of classes, and join many new clubs.

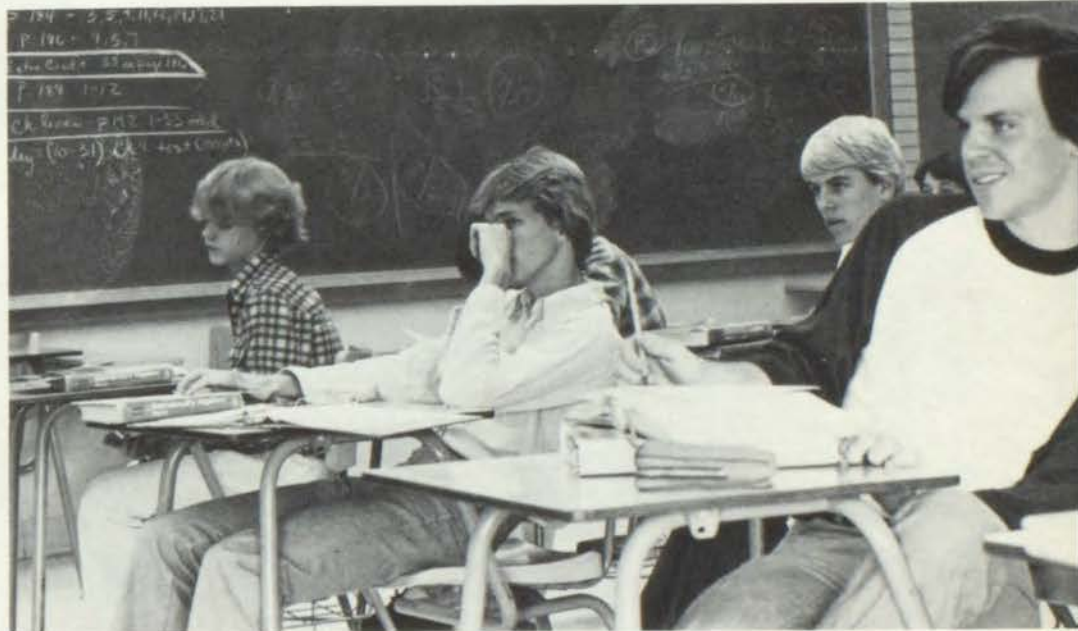


ABOVE: Selecting pumpkins, Cheryl Snapp, 10, and Todd Koelling, 11, participate in Pumpkin Patch held at Crown Center.

ABOVE LEFT: During Anatomy, Seniors Anthony Spalitto, Mark Zobel, and Mike Small examine a cow heart.



LEFT: During lunch, Jennifer Bahr, 9, receives an Eastern Onion singing telegram.



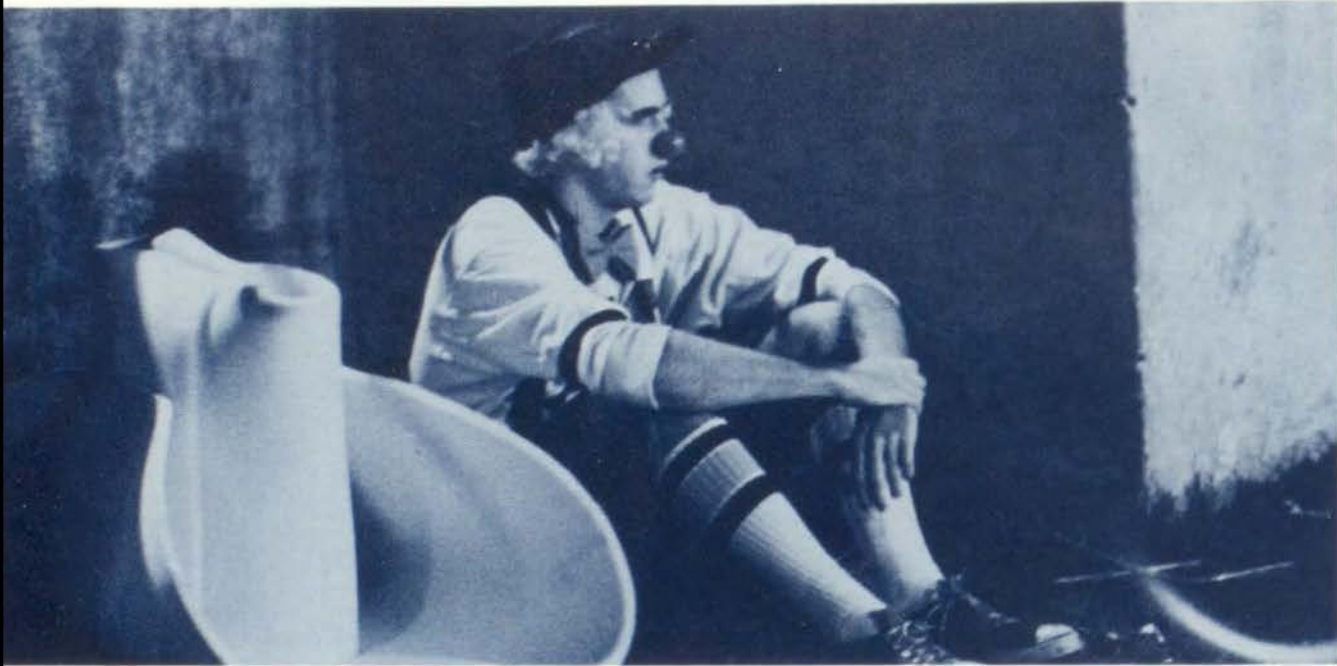
ABOVE: Scott Burroughs, 10, Mike Franke, 10, Frank Hale, 10, and David Smothers, 11, listen intently in math class.



LEFT: During Freshman-Sophomore Orientation, Dennis Bell, 12, threatens Carrie Winterowd, 11, at the National Forensic League's booth.

RIGHT: Conducting an experiment, Carl Ash, 9, and Linda O'Renck, 9, get assistance from Mrs. Howk.

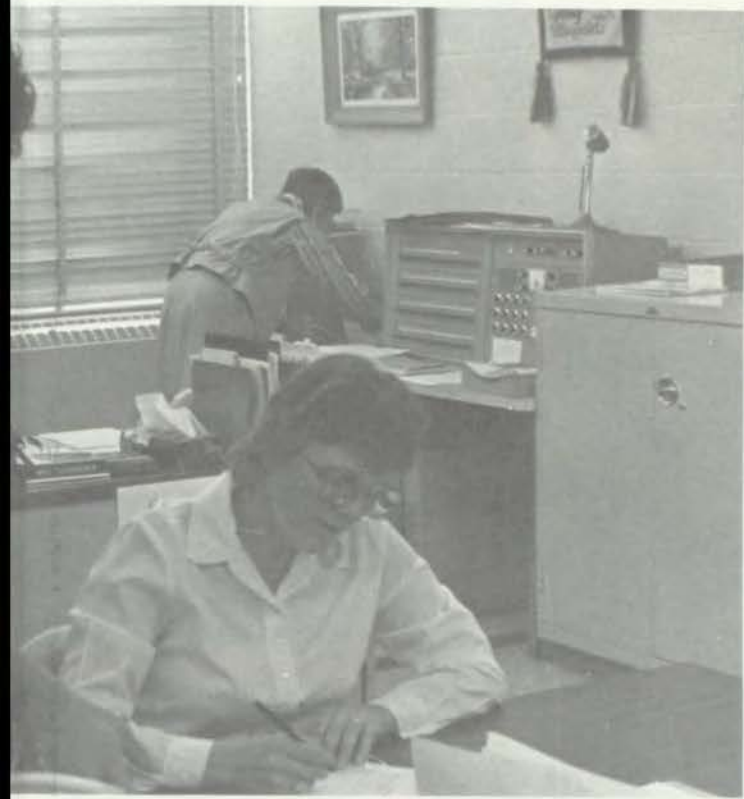
BELOW RIGHT: Jeff Mann, 12, assists Mrs. Moys.
BELOW: During a home football game, Jerry Rapp, 12, takes a break from his clown act.



ABOVE: Jon Wenski, 10, Lea Lavish, 10, Brian Sinclair, 12, and Danny Searls, 12, attend an away game.

LEFT: Spirit club members get ready for Homecoming by painting the cafeteria windows.

BELOW: Seniors Andy Miller, Kent Brisley, Erika Blacksher, and Rachel Levy punk out.



Along with the reorganization came a new Superintendent, Dr. Walter L. Swanson, who brought many new ideas to the district. Other staff members joined the center roster including a counselor, a nurse, and several teachers.

In sports there arose a girls' cross-country team for the first time in Center history and the other sports decked out in new uniforms.

Both the Newspaper and Yearbook adopted new styles. The Newspaper chose a tabloid style over the usual magazine style. The Yearbook changed in both size and style.

Financial difficulties forced the cafeteria to raise the price of lunches in February from 70¢ to 80¢.

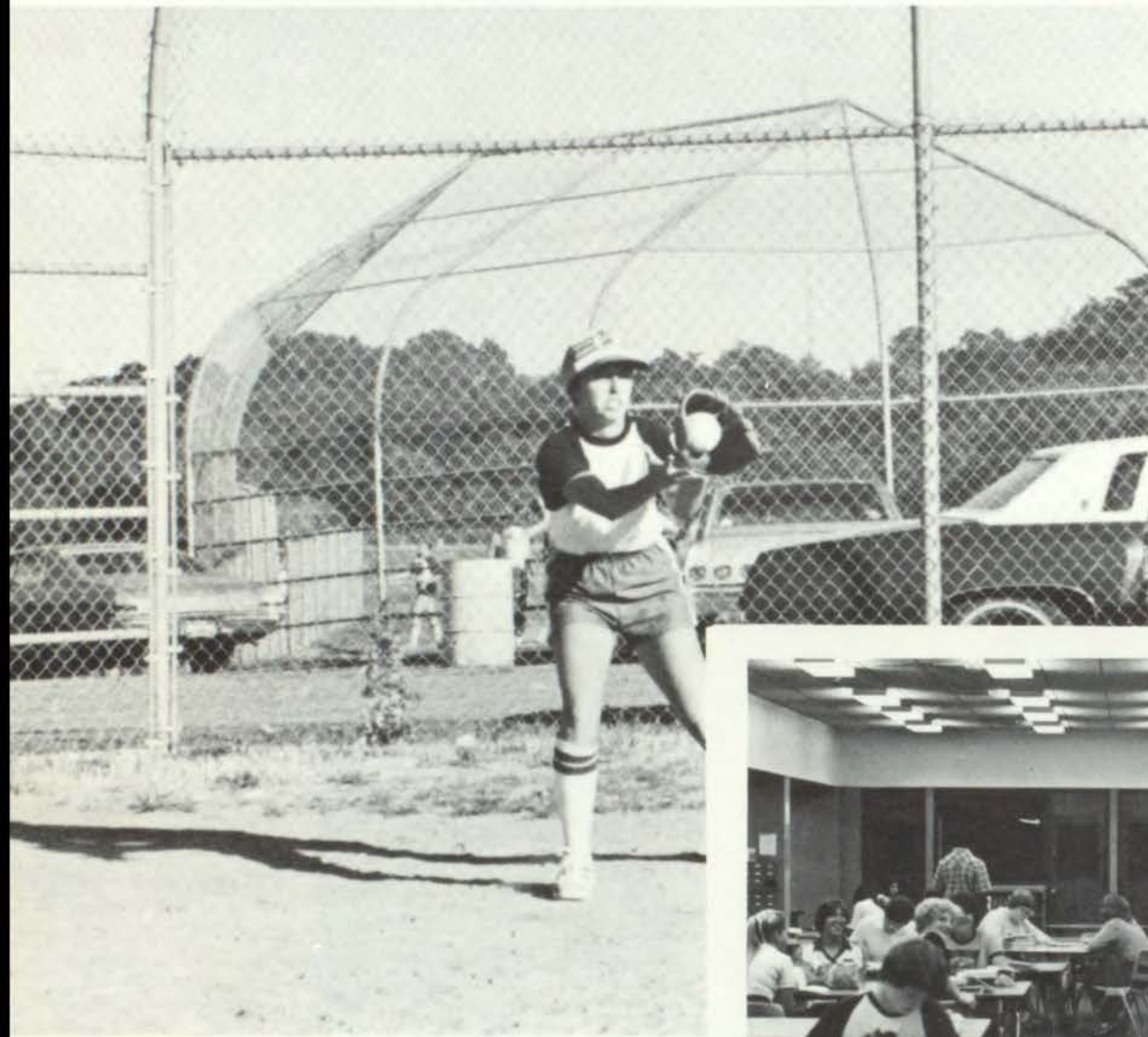
During February the traditional Snoball dance gave way to Courtwarming, a type of Homecoming for basketball. Senior nominees were chosen by each club instead of by the teachers. The royalty were then crowned at the game and a dance was held the following night.

A new club, Cosmos, formed when the show of the same name became popular with science students. The show's creator and narrator, Carl Sagan, became a kind of hero to some.

The many changes resulted in NEW HORIZONS for everyone, Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors alike. Only when the year had ended did we realize just how those changes had affected us.

RIGHT: Student Orientation Day brings students into the heat to see their friends.

BELOW: Making the perfect catch, Cheryl Eimer, 11, participates in a summer softball game.



ABOVE: During the hottest days early in the school year, students find comfort in the air-conditioned Media Center.

Heat slows summer plans

The mercury in the thermometer reached 113 degrees throughout the city, but officially the highest temperature reached 109 degrees on July 1.

Record-breaking temperatures throughout the Midwest, Arkansas, and Texas left people, especially those without air conditioning, to suffer in the blistering temperatures.

To help combat the summer heat, students spent more time in air conditioning or at lakes, pools, or water slides. "I enjoyed a majority of my summer playing frisbee at the lake and going to various water slides," stated Mona Appleby, 10.

Although some students simply spent more time in the water, others felt the scorching heat stopped them from having an ordinary summer. "I spent a lot of time in air conditioning when I would have ordinarily done more things outside," remarked Tina Eveland, 10.



ABOVE: Keeping cool in the summer heat, Kim Wardlow, 11, participates in a school car wash.

LEFT: In the excessive temperatures, the Marching Band prepares to perform at MU.

Nature makes big news in U.S.

Thick blanket of black ash filled the sky as Mount Saint Helens erupted in an upheaval of poisonous choking gas.

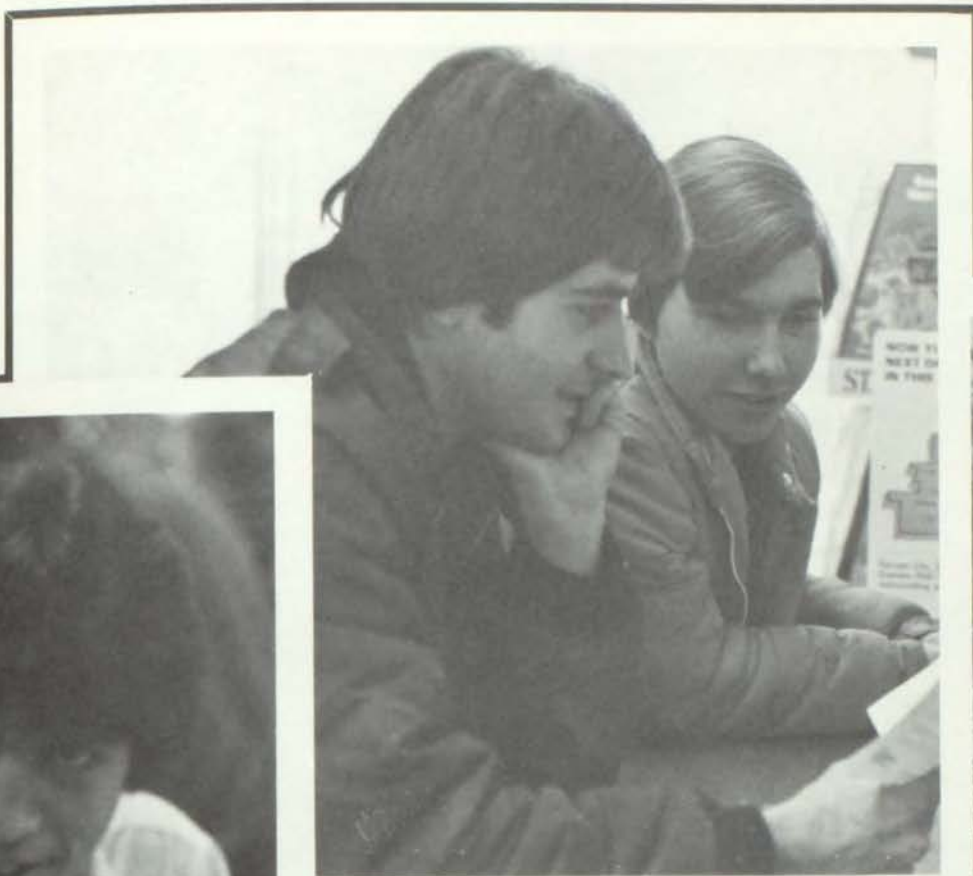
Besides Mount Saint Helens, America saw other news unfold—the election of Ronald Reagan as president; the prime lending rate at an all time high of 20%; fire storms raging through California forests, destroying homes and taking many lives; a summer heat wave that curbed crop surpluses and claimed hundreds of victims; many toxic dumps found unsafe for the public; and the worst flu epidemic in ten years throughout the country.

Even in the wake of these items of bad news, many advances were made throughout the course of the year. N.A.S.A. completed the first reusable spacecraft, the space shuttle Enterprise. After a three year journey, an American satellite passed Saturn taking pictures that made scientists rewrite past theories on the planet. Finally, an insulin pump implanted in the skin proved to be a discovery that promised diabetics temporary relief from daily shots.

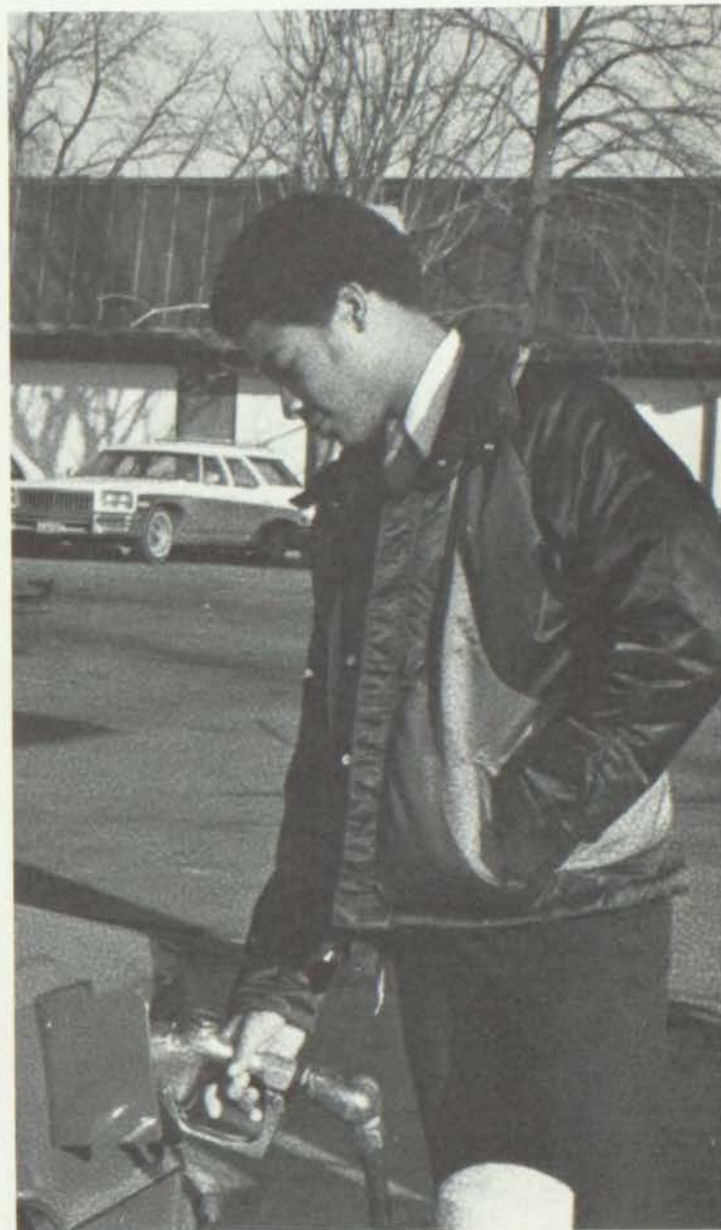
BELOW: At lunch Jane Mandabach, 10, and Scott Ponick, 9, display some ash from Mount Saint Helens.



ABOVE: Gloria Steinem and Melanie White, 12, talk at the Democratic National Convention.



LEFT: Discussing the draft, Mike Jacoby, 12, and Charles Hamadi, '80 graduate, register.



ABOVE: Feeling the high price of gasoline, James White, 11, fills his economy car.



LEFT: Joe Cavanaugh, 11, and Lisa Fiorella, 12, take ballots during the school's mock elections.

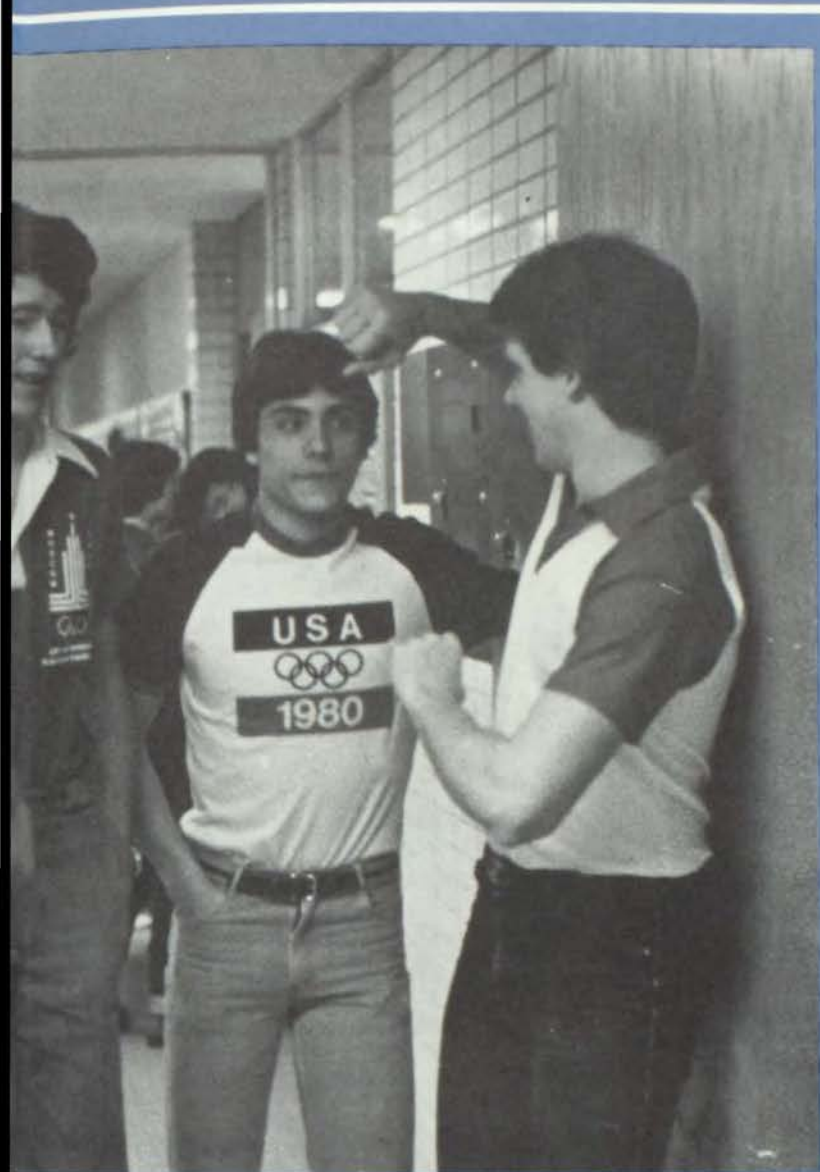
RIGHT: Protesting the summer Olympics Boycott, Jim Mosby, Scott Kennedy, Todd Swartz, and Andy VanSlyke wear their teeshirts.

BELOW: In the wake of John Lennon's death, Joe Allen and Andy Miller, 12, look over some Beatles' albums.



ABOVE: Boning up on world affairs, Jeff Jayroe, 9, looks over the paper.

RIGHT: Kathy Willard, 11, pins up the address for the Iranian hostages for the people to send cards.



Political changes rock world

As the world entered the first year of a new decade, many people watched and waited to see what would happen next.

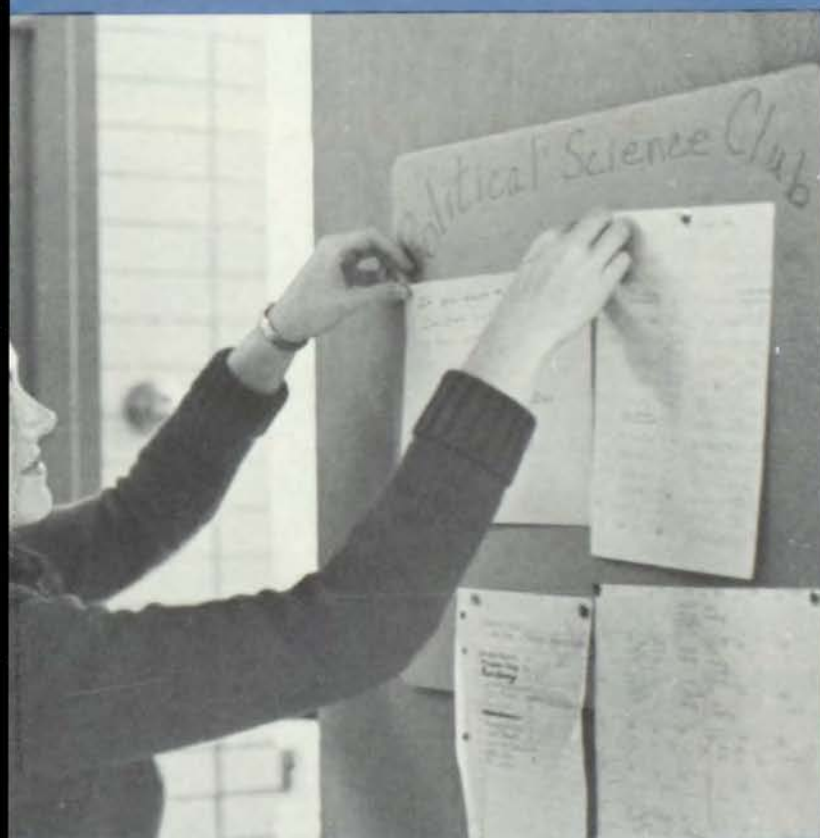
Again, this year, all eyes were turned toward the Middleast as Iran held the American Embassy hostages for over a year and then turned to battle neighboring Iraq when a border dispute erupted into a full scale war. Just north of this hotspot, Jordan massed its armies on the Syrian border to, as Jordan put it, protect Jordanian interests from Syrians trying to take advantage of the war.

In Southern Europe, Turkey's military set up a new government to bolster their faltering economy. Russia invaded Afghanistan and installed a dictator even though tribespeople in the mountains continued to inflict heavy casualties on Russian troops.

The United States along with fifty other countries boycotted the summer Olympics in Moscow to protest the Afghanistanian invasion.

And finally, the world saw the passing of three men who left their mark on history. These men were Peter Sellers, the exiled Shah of Iran and ex-Beatle John Lennon.

What did most people feel about the unrelenting daily changes? "I just hoped that things would slow down, maybe if they had we would have been better off," summed up James Candler, 12.



Assef Assefi, 11, a student from Afghanistan, jokes in class.

Royals stir fans emotions

A blizzard of paper swirled through the downtown canyons. Business people threw masses of it from top floor windows and city workers in cherry pickers dumped it over the streets. Hundreds of thousands of cheering people stood in the drifts of confetti. All the commotion came as a result of the Royals winning the American League Pennant. The Royals rode victoriously through the streets in a precedent-setting parade.

The parade came after the Royals lost the World Series, but that didn't seem to bother the fans. Everyone's hero was the American League's most valuable player, George Brett, who flirted with a .400 batting average.

Other events in the area stood out. Many school closings, including those in the Center district, marked an era of declining enrollment. Starlight Theater, battered by low attendance because of the heatwave, held rock concerts to keep its doors open. The Philharmonic went on strike for higher wages. Bannister Mall opened up, giving students jobs as well as a new place to shop. President Carter held a town meeting in Independence to stir voters.



Bartle Hall hosted a car show on November 15.



LEFT: During a concert held at Starlight Theater, Ann and Nancy Wilson of "Heart" perform.

BELOW: At the new Bannister Mall, Elizabeth Shelton, 10, shops in Connie's.



ABOVE: Designated hitter Hal McRae rides through the Royals Parade on October 22.

LEFT: Nancy Clark, 11, and Sara Westgate, 12, work at the Boone Auction, held because of school closings.



RIGHT: Preparing the table for future customers, Kulvinder Randhawa, 11, works at Putsch's Cafeteria in Ward Parkway.

BELOW: At McDonald's on 103rd street, Mike Wolf, 11, finishes up for the day.

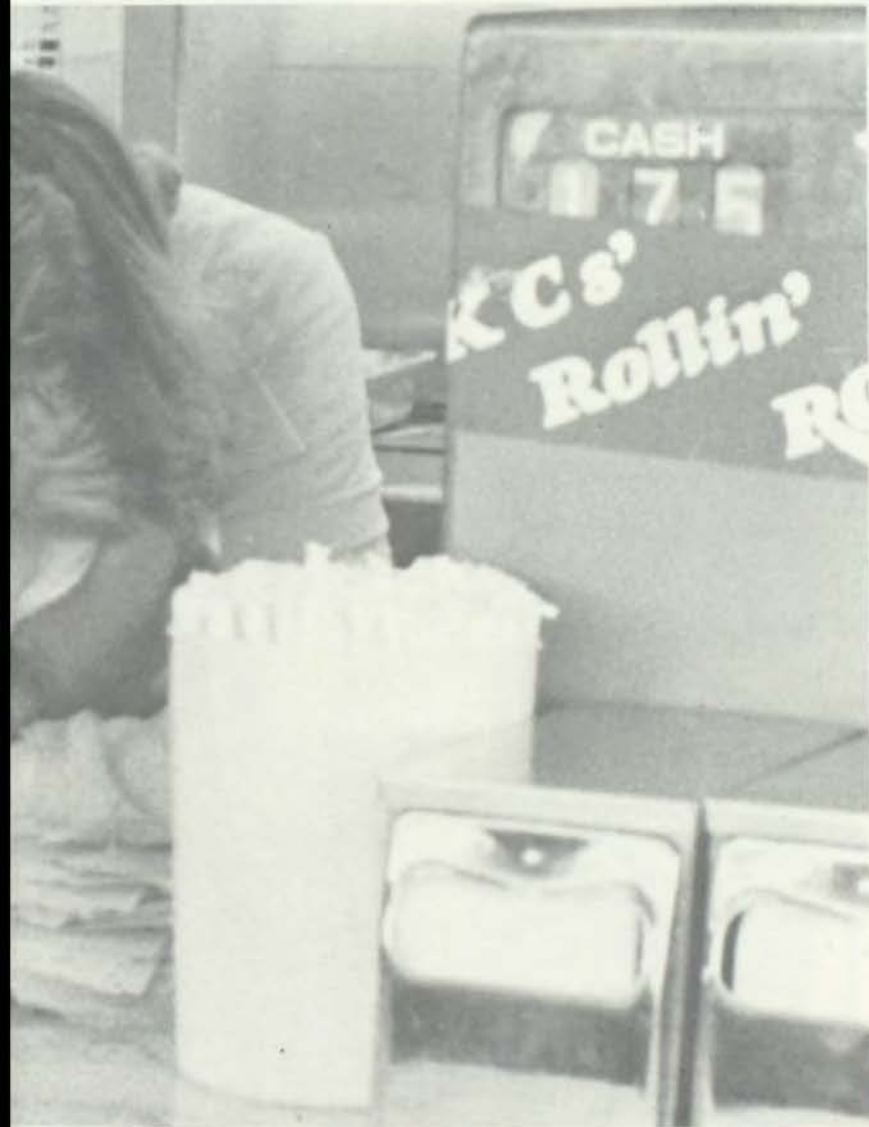


ABOVE: Ellen Greenbaum, 12, meets with the manager of Stix Baer & Fuller Portrait Gallery to discuss her application.

RIGHT: JoMarie McMurray, 9, takes an order at Whimpey's on Troost.



BELOW: At the Jewish Geriatric Center on Holmes, Rosie Sharbel, 12, updates the records.



Students find jobs necessary

Just one little word—"money", or rather the lack of it, prompted many students to hit the job market. The students' financial burdens stemmed from such needs as car, clothing, weekend, and dating expenses to future college tuitions. Explaining why he worked, Jeff Mann, 12, replied, "I simply must have spending money and I need to save as much as I possibly can for college."

Attending school and working anywhere from 10 to 30 hours, students often found that their homework and relaxation time suffered considerably. Doug Darbyshire, 12, stated, "The late hours use up most of my study time and leave me always feeling tired."

Along with the disadvantages of working, students acknowledged several advantages. "My job has given me a lot of good experience that will help me later in life," commented Amy Samberg, 11. Dottie Allen, 12, added, "Working has made me more independent and I like not having to ask my parents for money."

RIGHT: With the present gas shortage, the Moped gained popularity.

BELOW: Cars owned by Mr. Tom Irvin and Mr. Mark Rabuse reveal different tastes.



Old trends gain in popularity

This year's fashion trends ranged from the corn-rowed hairstyle inspired by "10" to topsider shoes.

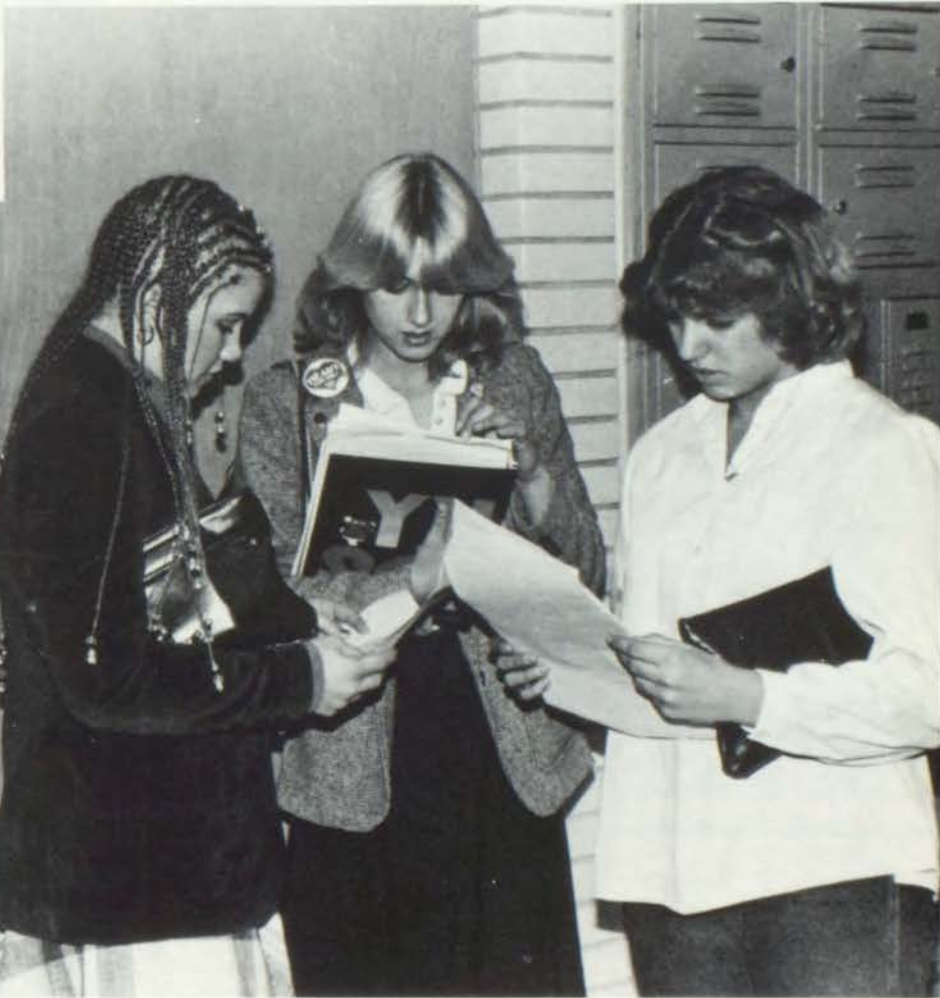
Many of last year's fashions hit even harder among teens in the 1980-81 school year. Izod shirts remained the most worn among girls and guys alike. The tiny alligator trade-mark ranged in price for shirts anywhere from \$22.00 - \$28.00.

Back again also were designer jeans with names like Calvin Klein, Jordache, Gloria Vanderbilt and Sassoon scoring in the top ten with students interviewed.

One of the newer trends this fall was the "preppie look." The girls decked out in tweed and plaid skirts with sweaters. "I really like the collegiate style, it's comfortable and versatile," commented Rebecca Kauffman, 12.

Model Mike Tritt, 11, tops off his suit in the new western style.

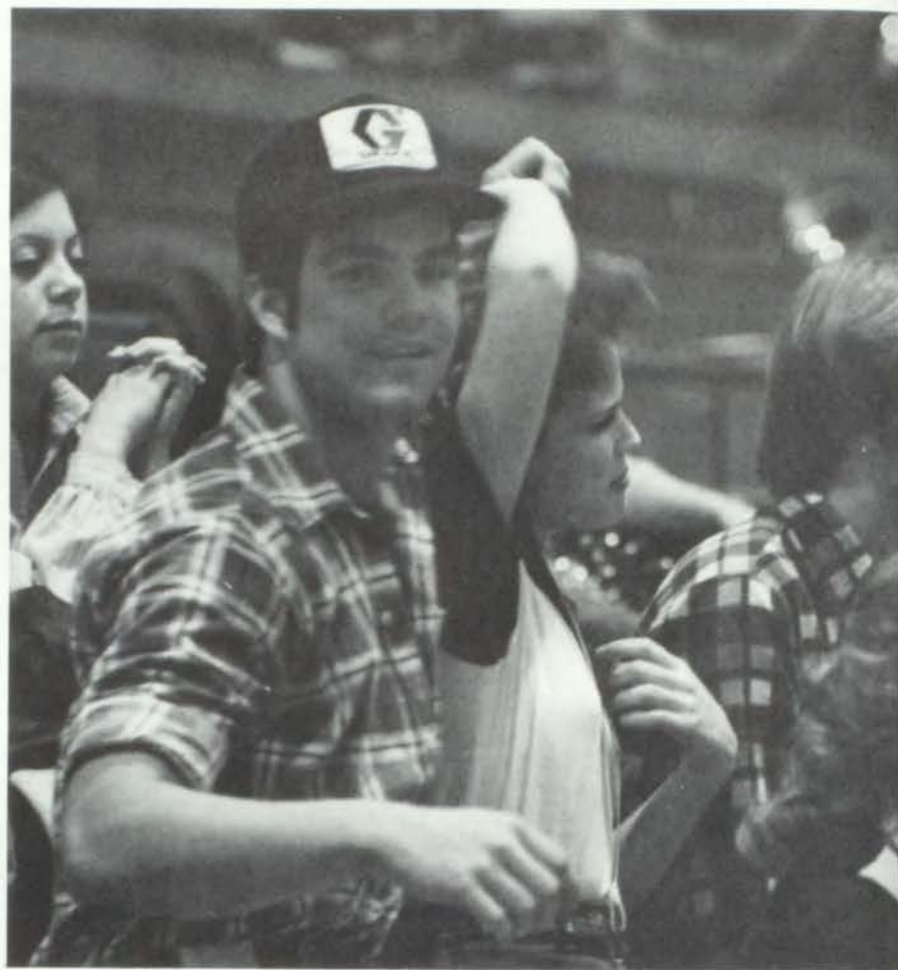




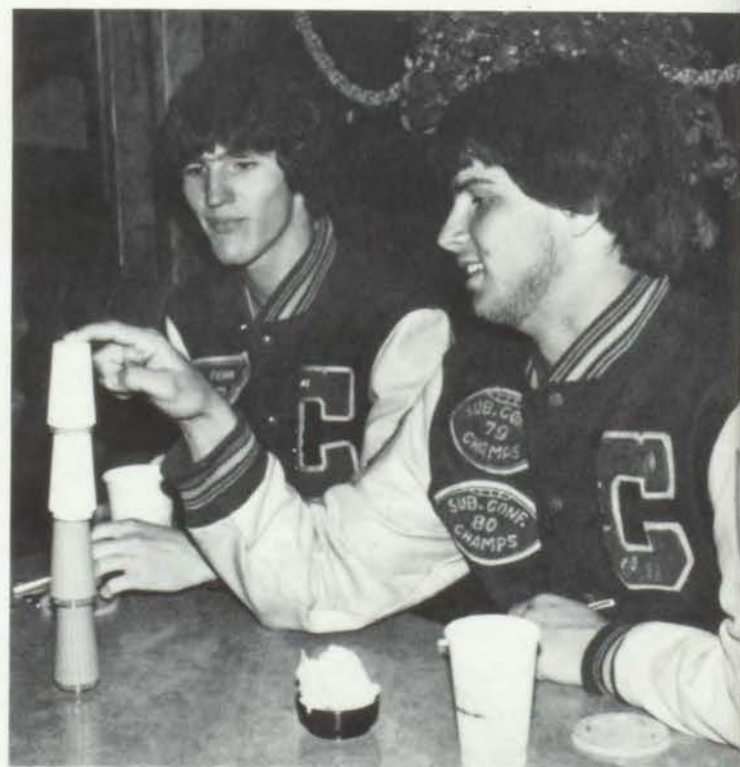
ABOVE: Freshmen Tiffany Rawlings and Mendy Wilson compare notes with Jennifer Roudebush, 9, who displays the latest "10" hairstyle.

LEFT: Claudia White, 9, and Ami Bruce, 10, show off their collegiate fashions.

RIGHT: Roger Heard, 12, and Diane Christy, 10, provide home field encouragement.



ABOVE: Seniors Duane Ball, Terry Ward, and David Ball exhibit weekend hunting attire.



Students share similar interests

Although many might think the newly acquired freshmen class would enjoy different types of weekend activities than those of the upper classmen, the weekend interests from both ends appear virtually identical.

Movies and dating ranked most popular by far in a random survey of students. Partying and just being with friends also made strong showings. Less prominent but definitely big with many students were attending sporting events, such as football and basketball games, playing sports, and playing electronic games or pinball machines.

"Weekends are for an escape from the week's pressures," stated Jeff Mann, 12.

"I do it all on weekends," commented Brian Eubanks, 12. "Weekends are a time to relax," he continued, "A lot of people just go places like McDonalds to hang out, and they just stand around."



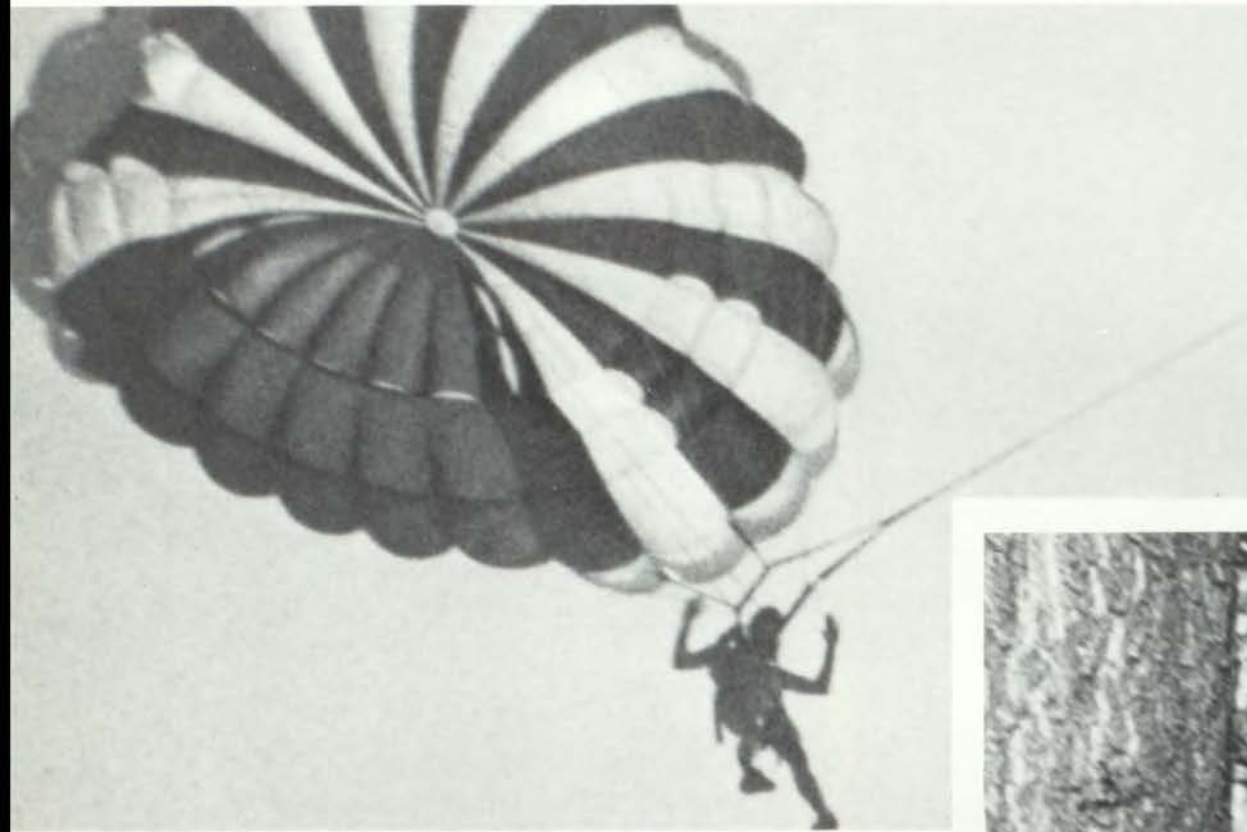
ABOVE: Phil Riverol, 12, and Julie Read, 10, attend a movie at Red Bridge Theaters.

ABOVE: Seniors Sara Westgate and Jack Steiner go to eat at Paul Schaal's.

LEFT: Brian Sinclair and Joe Dee Beach, Seniors, display table manners at Mc Donald's.

RIGHT BELOW: Brett Miller, 12, prepares to go hunting.

BELOW: Parachuting off a dock, Diana Garcia, 12, soars through the air.



Hobbies require skill, time

When students had nothing that had to be done, boredom often snuck up on them. They didn't give in to it though; they dealt with it by becoming interested in at least one hobby. The hobbies students came up with ranged from belly-dancing to rebuilding engines to raising snakes.

Some students' hobbies have even taken them to contests such as Jack Lambert, 11. His interest in moto-cross racing has taken him to different parts of Missouri, Oklahoma, and to the Midwest Region finals in Texas.

Other students' hobbies have helped to make their rooms or homes more attractive such as Donna Luehrman, 11, who collected house plants. "I got a plant for a gift and I decided to green up our house," explained Donna.

Many students simply collected things for their own pleasure. They collected such things as coins, stamps, miniatures, beer cans, and match books. "Although collecting miniatures isn't as time-consuming as other hobbies, you have to be careful when selecting them to make a unique printer's box," stated Beth Carbah, 12.



LEFT: Joe Cavanaugh, 11, and Todd Leibert, 11, examine their baseball card collections.

BELOW: At Fort Carson, Colorado, Shooting Camp, Ben Gasser, 12, practices shooting.



ABOVE: Marla Akers, 12, displays her collection of ceramic and stuffed mice.

LEFT: In Ponca City, Oklahoma, Jack Lambert, 11, participates in a moto-cross race.



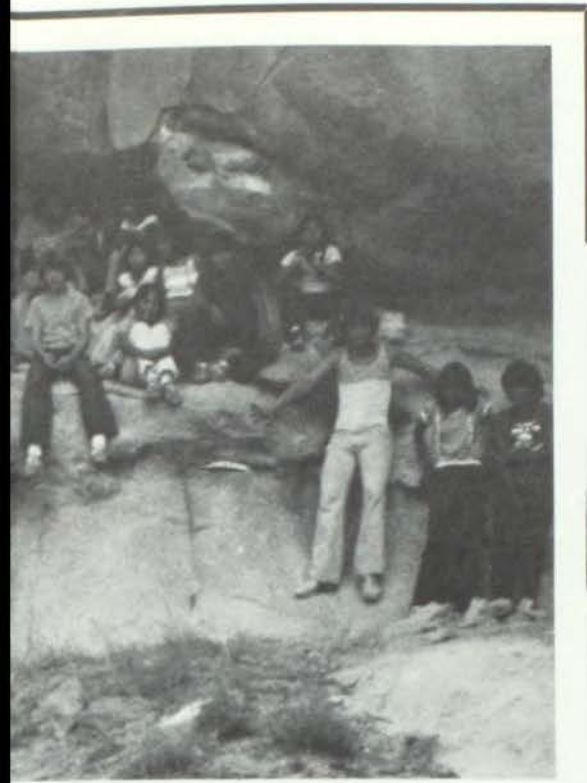
BELOW: Young Life leader, Curt Johnson, and Danny Garcia, 11, observe as another skier progresses across the snow.



ABOVE: Young Life members participate in Fifty's Night at Camp Castaway.

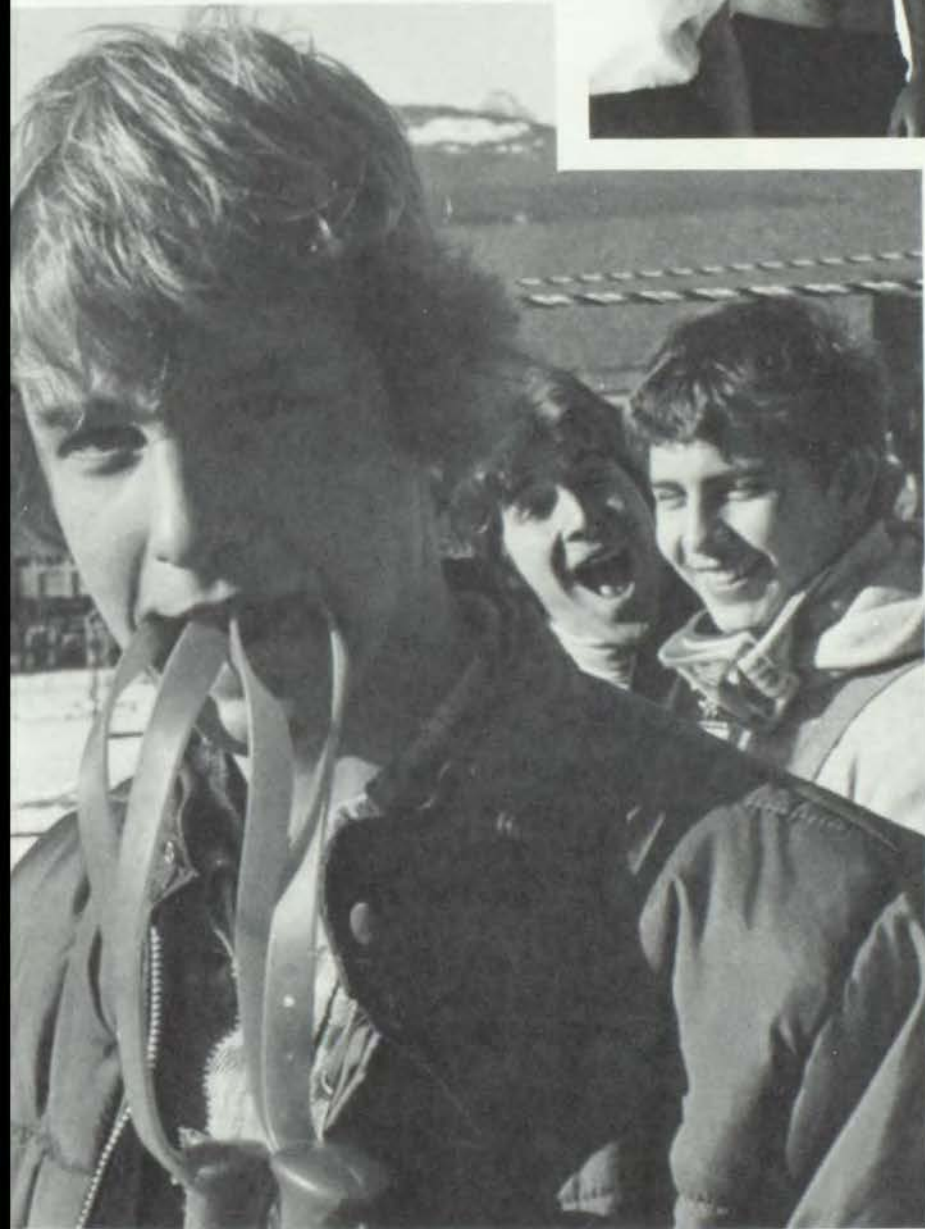
RIGHT: On a Young Life ski trip, David Barnes, 10, waits in line for the ski lift.





LEFT: As a member of Exclamations, Brian Sinclair, 12, visits rock formations in New Mexico.

BELOW: Rainbow members Debbie Viani, Mona Stewart, Lina Stewart relax with friends.



Organizations improve attitudes

Students played bingo with the elderly at a nursing home, attended dances and parties, went on hayrides, and voiced their feelings at meetings at least twice a month. Belonging to organizations away from school allowed students to participate in such activities.

Some clubs, such as Rainbow Girls, provided members with the opportunity to serve their community. Rainbow also taught the girls to respect both the flag and the Bible and to grow up to be better adults. "Belonging to Rainbow has helped me to become a better person by teaching me things I can apply to life," explained five-year member, Lina Stewart, 12.

Other organizations, such as Young Life, FCA and Chi-Alfa focused on the importance of religion in students' lives. Lori Slyter, 12, girls' president of FCA, commented, "You get something out of every meeting that you can relate to school and to your own problems."

Whatever the organization, students felt they changed for the better by belonging to them. Jeff Davis, 10, commented, "Participating in Young Life has changed my life altogether and has made me spiritually stronger."

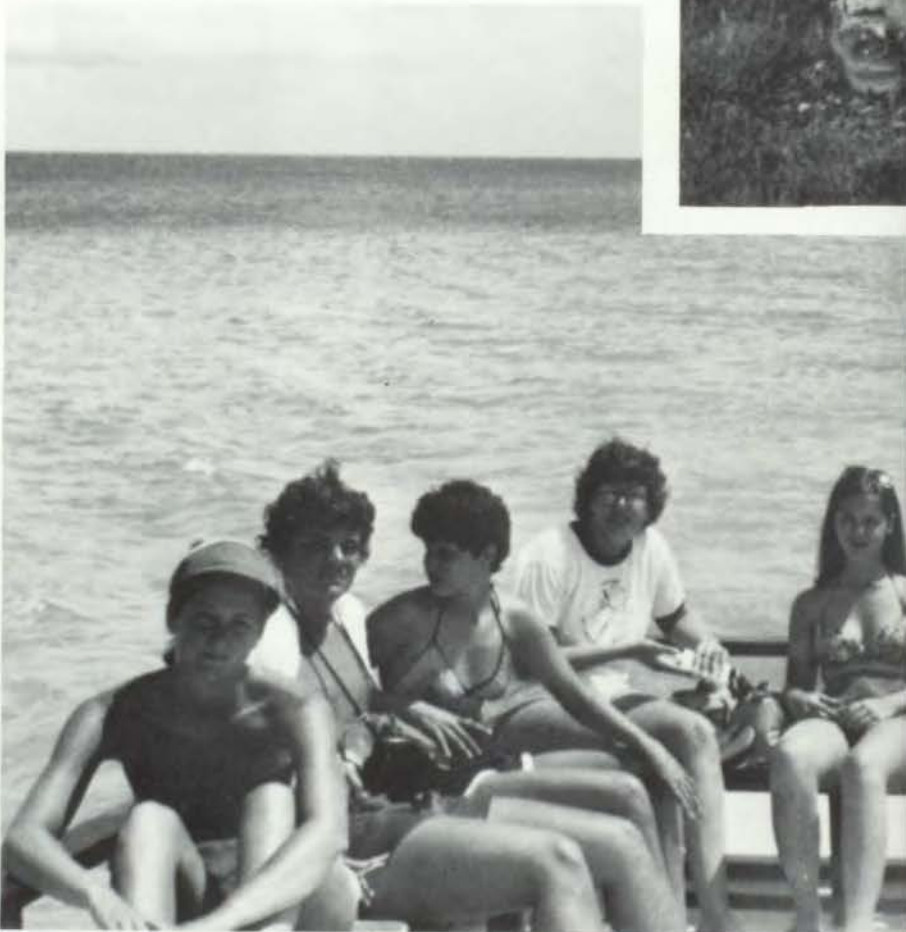
RIGHT: The lake of the Ozarks is where Randi Rittman and her grandfather catch white bass.

Students visit history they have studied for many years

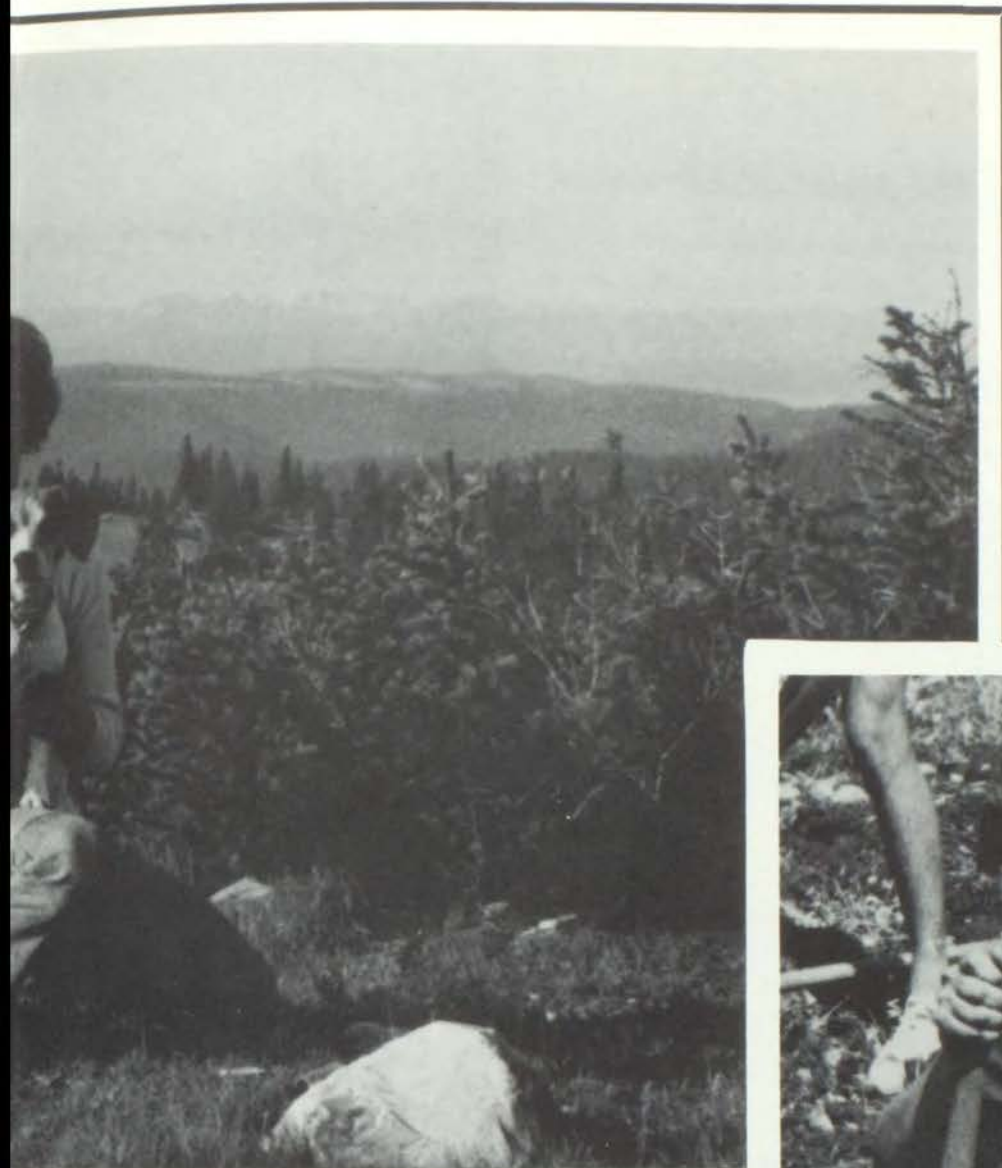
When students took vacations, some took short-distance trips, such as Rhonda Maas, 10, who travelled to St. Louis. Others took longer-distance ones, such as the Spanish club of 1979-1980, that travelled to Mexico. And still others took extremely long-distance ones, such as to Europe.

"It was probably one of the best experiences of my life," Jeff Mann, 12, stated, as he described his trip to Israel, sponsored by the Jewish Education Council, that he took along with thirty-nine other high school students. Viewing the artifacts, walking through Jerusalem, and touring the excavations outside of the "old city"—a part of Jerusalem—were only a few of the many activities these students participated in. A five-day trip to the Negev Desert was taken by the youths. There, they slept on the beaches of the Red Sea, watching the sun set, listening to the waves wash up to shore and then waking to the rising of the sun. In the Judean Desert, they took a nine-mile hike. Jeff reported, "In the desert, there's a monastery built into the side of a mountain, and there's a monk who lives in a hole in the side of a mountain. He has a pulley with a basket attached, so that food and water can be brought to him. When the pulley no longer lowers, then it will be known the monk is dead." Another activity was visiting the Western Wall, the last standing wall of the second temple ever built in Israel.

Jannie Sherry, 12, commented, "Going to Hebrew school all my life and then seeing what I've learned about is really mind-boggling."



ABOVE: Members of the 1979-80 Spanish Club, Rosemary Dunleavy and Matt Laughland, both 1980 graduates, Stacy Talpers, 12, Diane Weinzirl, 11, and Lorie Leahy, 12, visit Cozemul, Mexico, in the summer of 1980.



LEFT: On their way to Jackson Hole, Wyoming, Brett Miller, 12, and Prancy stop at Medicine Bow Peak within the Snowy Range Mountains in Oregon.



ABOVE: Planting a tree in Biryat Forest in Northern Israel, Alicia Gordon, 12, displays her masterpiece.



LEFT: Visiting the ruins of Israel during the summer of 1980 are Sherri Winer, 12, Jeff Mann, 12, Caren Eisenstein, 12, and Jannie Sherry, 12.

Holidays carry own symbols

Down on the Plaza, the sparkling Christmas lights and the beat of horse hooves on the pavement from the horse drawn carriages heralded the Christmas season with their holiday symbols.

With certain holidays a special spirit filled the air. Halloween brought pumpkins, ghosts and goblins, and tiny creatures that walked in the night that otherwise were never seen. Haunted houses suddenly sprang up all over the city. "I like going to haunted houses," Evan Zobel, 11, said. "It is a way that lets me know Halloween is here."

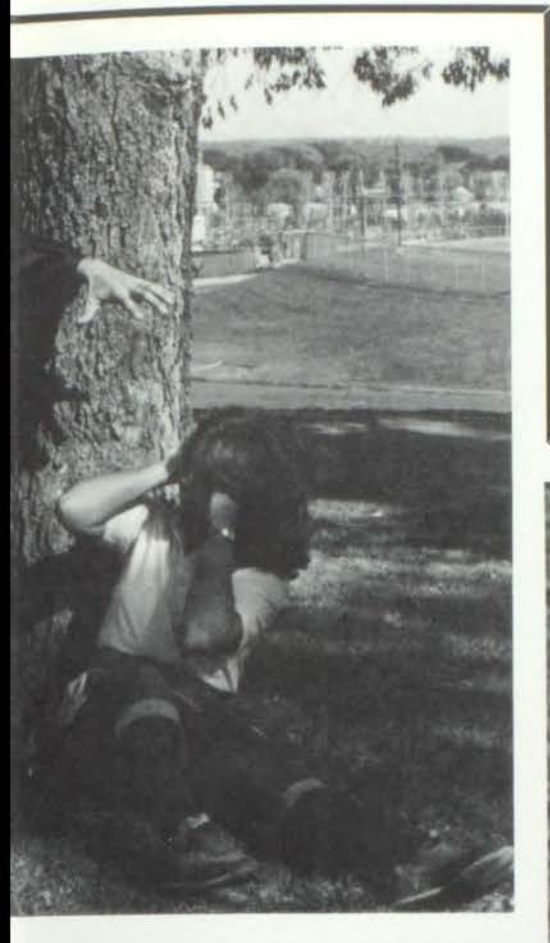
Christmas also had a special spirit. Lights decorated houses, red ribbons and wreaths were hung on doors, and stores suddenly were crowded with people bustling about to buy presents. This holiday stood out in more people's minds because of the fun and promotions that started at Thanksgiving. "I like the holidays, but sometimes the advertisements are played too much," Allison Ramey, 11, replied.

As each holiday arrived with its spirit and spirit the students joined in too. "I like all the holidays," Olivia Myers, 12, stated. "It gives me something nice to look forward to."

BELOW: Lighting the Chanukah candles, Stacy Talpers, 12, recites a prayer.



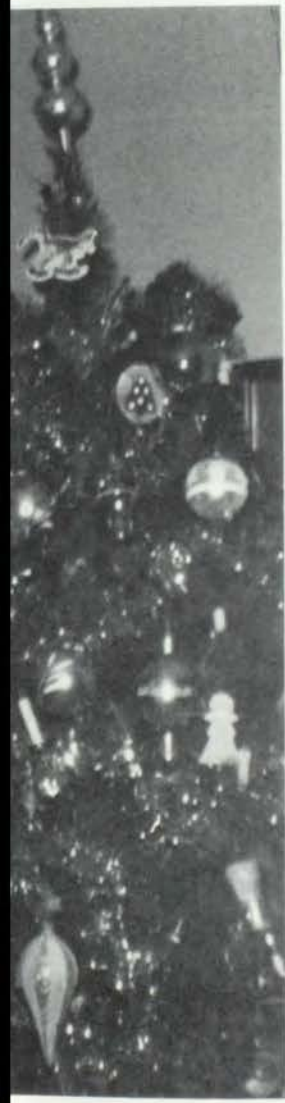
ABOVE: At night, the Plaza is lit up during the Christmas season.



LEFT: Dale Scaletty, 11, takes delight in scaring Senior Sarah Talbert on Halloween.



ABOVE: Gathering at Whisker Rivey's friends eat and open presents.



LEFT: During the Christmas holidays, Cindy Connet, 11, hangs an ornament.

RIGHT: After school Julia Butler, 12, and Amy Howk, 11, stay and chat.

BELOW: Laughing at a story are Seniors Gigi Touslee and Lina Stewart.



ABOVE: Waiting to go frog hunting are Duane Ball, 12, and Mark Eimer, 12.



Students meet during activities

Looking beyond the surface of an organization met with different reactions from people. Working with a fellow classmate the student encountered different aspects of the club they hadn't thought of.

By working with different people students said they also learned more about their feelings. It helped them to realize their goals and what they wanted out of life. Senior Lorie Leahy said, "At first when I worked with people I thought I'd encounter problems because of personality differences between us, but once I got to know them we really got along."

Working with people in different areas gave students an important opportunity to learn how to deal with and know people. "I feel that the clubs are a fun and important part of the school function," Debbie Lawrence, 12, commented.

At a slumber party, friends gather around singing.



LEFT: At night, friends meet to relax and catch up on news.



California illness ravages countryside, Symptoms incurable but rewarding

As the alarm shatters the quiet room, the dark figure stirs to life, and makes a beeline for the shower. After a short time, the body pierces the dense cloud of steam decked out in an Izod tee-shirt, Calvin Klein jeans, and Topsider shoes (without socks). Sounds like a normal pre-morning warm-up for school, but this person may suffer from a chronic illness known as the "California Lifestyle."

What is this so called "California Lifestyle?" It is a movement that has spread from the West Coast, especially California, and has taken the country by storm.

This "illness" stems from the urge

in all to look like a college preppie and act like Omar Sherif. If you want to know if you suffer from this "illness" ask yourself the following questions: (1) Do I look for an alligator when buying shirts and not the label that reads "this shirt will shrink away to nothing after washing?" (2) Do you shop for Trans-Ams, Firebirds, and Corvettes when the sticker says it gets 3 gallons a mile and you will have to sell yourself into slavery to make a downpayment? (3) Is your sleep startled for a craving of Perrier, a Granola bar, a moped race, and a soak in the Jacuzzi?

If your answers to these questions

was yes, a strong indication exists that you've caught the "illness." This is not all bad because along with all the tinsel, the "California Lifestyle" represents an easy going way of life with no room for shyness. As Gregg Peters, 11, whispered, "Why worry, the worst thing that can happen is that I will be publically humiliated."

So next time you are out with friends or by yourself, cruising, soaking in the hot tub, or trying to beat the track record at the Malibu raceway, consider the above questions; if you fit the qualifications, you may suffer from the "California Lifestyle."

Debbie Aaron
Janet Adkins
Jim Agnos
Lori Airola
Marla Akers
Scott Alexander



Dottie Allen
Joe Allen
Tina Appleby
Scott Arnold
David Asjes
Cheri Baker



David Ball
Duane Ball
Diane Batliner
Greg Baze
Joe Dee Beach
Judi Beauchamp



Kym Beggs
Andrea Belingloph
Dennis Bell
Mike Benanti
Lea Berry
Julie Bierwirth



SENIORS



Valerie Bishop
Erika Blacksher
Shannon Blackwood
Anne Blades
Joe Blando
Marlene Blend



Barton Bloom
Terry Bohr
Jack Brandom
Penny Bridges
Kent Brisley
Rose Marie Brocato



Kathy Brown
Mark Bundy
Mary Bundy
Julia Butler
Andy Callegari
James Candler



Beth Carbah
Paula Carter
Marianne Cattanach
David Chamberlain
Kelly Chaney
Mark Cheshier



Kelli Clement
Brent Clemons
Jeff Cleveland
Margie Coughlin
Denise Cowan
Jeff Cox



Waiting for the green light, two Malibu Raceway addicts make final preparations.



RIGHT: After the Royals beat Philidelphia, Mr. Creasy and a Royal's usherette smile at the victory.

FAR RIGHT: Beatiful Royals stadium played host to games 4 and 5 of the World Series.

Linda Crouch
Cindy Dammer
Doug Darbyshire
Annette Davis
Lisa Davis
Carol Dayson



Joe Deardorff
Dean Denis
Paula DiGiovanni
James Dilts
Cecelia DiRaimo
Teresa DiRaimo

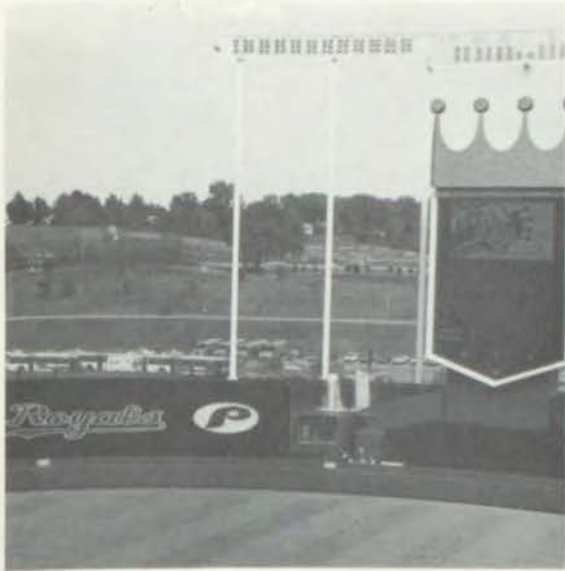


Suzy Ducate
Mark Eimer
Caren Eisenstein
Julie Elsea
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Charles Engelken



Brian Eubanks
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Lisa Fiorella
Pam Fisher
Paula Fisher
Joel Fleshman





Leon Foster
Susan Franke
Pam Frazier



Diana Garcia
Chris Garlett
Ben Gasser



Laura Gateley
David Giese
Joe Gingrich
Karla Glannon
Donald Gleason
Alicia Gordon



Holly Gorrel
Mike Graham
Jamie Graves
Terry Gray
Ellen Greenbaum
Kathy Grego



Mindy Harless
Cheryl Harris
Kim Harrison
Bruce Hart
Chuck Hawke
Claudia Hayslett

K.C. Royals beat New York but lose to Philidelphia in World Series

In terms of team advancement and fans' reactions, the 1980 Royals' season proved successful. Powering the team, George Brett's batting average exceeded .400 at times. This, and an effective pitching staff, propelled the team to the playoffs against New York. After two wins, the Royals needed one more win to play in the World Series. On a 98 m.p.h. fastball, George Brett hit the winning

homerun.

"I'm proud that I live in Kansas City and can say the Royals are my baseball team!" exclaimed Sam Barnes, 10. Wild showings of yelling, screaming and feelings of superiority surfaced in Royals fans from Center.

The winners of the National League, the Philidelphia Phillies, overcame the Royals in the first two games of the World Series.

Starting game number 6, the Royals had 2 wins and needed a victory to stay in the running. In the top of the ninth, Willie Wilson struck out with the Phillies winning 4-1. Although the Royals lost the World Series, Kansas Citians held a parade proclaiming the Royals still #1. "People went down and showed them we're still behind them all the way," concluded Jack Brandom, 12.

Roger Heard
Paul Heintz
Sharon Hellman
Becki Henley
Donna Hettinger
Phil Hines



Hoi Hei Ho
Tuong Van Thi Ho
Elaina Holmberg
Sherri Howard
Chris Hudgins
Patty Hughes



Michael Hunter
Tina Hurtado
Mike Jacoby
Scott Jamieson
Paul Janssens
Denise Johnson



Diana Johnson
Ron Johnson
Susan Johnson
Teresa Johnston
Trice Jones
Montell Justice



New Wave sweeps nation with innovative sounds, wild dance, funky garb

Teens garbed in mini skirts, go-go boots, skinny ties, and cat glasses mobbed the dance floor. The D.J. played Devo and the crowd went wild. They hopped and bopped to dances like The Jerk and The Pogostick. Sound familiar? A day in the 60's, right? Wrong. The out-dated clothes, new music, and obsolete dancing were all part of New Wave.

Even though New Wave had been around for ten years, the majority of students had never heard of it. Of the 125 students surveyed, only 56% had heard of this trend. But even those students had diverse answers as to what New Wave actually was. One said, "All types of funky looking clothes." Another stated, "New styles in all aspects of life." And still another

simply responded, "Weirdness." All of these answers were partially correct.

New Wave included new music, dance, and clothes which appeared weird to many people. The music, for instance, was described as danceable rock. "It has a faster beat than rock so you can dance to it," stated Rachel Levy. Bands such as The Cars, Blondie, and Devo performed such music. Although the music was new, the dance took a leap back into the 60's. The dancing was nothing more than people jumping up and down and bopping back and forth. It looked like The Jerk and The Swim in fast speed. The clothes took still a further step back into nostalgia. The garb of the 50's and 60's set the styles.

Shoulder padded blazers, mini skirts, and narrow ties were thrown together in strange combinations making some wild outfits. These outfits were worn at the numerous New Wave parties and concerts.

The increase of these concerts and parties pointed to the New Wave mania. Stores, where New Wave buttons and albums could be purchased, popped up all over the nation. The memberships of New Wave clubs, like The Mudd Club, flourished and discos switched over to New Wave music. Even Kansas City's Pogogs added a New Wave night on Wednesdays. So even though many Centerites knew nothing of New Wave, it took its toll in the U.S. and in other countries around the world.

SENIORS



Kim Karriker
Elaine Kaswan
Leslie Katz
Rebecca Kauffman
Butch Kaye
Kerry Kelley



Alan Kessler
Melissa Kessler
Scott Kessler
Jim Kice
Steve Kipp
Jon Koncak



Brant Korth
Mark Ladd
Diane Landes
Marcy La Quey
Debbie Lawrence
Jeff Lawrence



Cindy Lawson
Lorie Leahy
Tony Leon
Rachel Levy
Bob Lewinsohn
Bob Lewis



Shelly Loehr
Craig Long



Justin Lynch
Clay Lyon

New Wave albums and magazines can be bought at record stores such as Rock Therapy and Capers Corners.



College, work, marriage, raising children lie ahead for numerous students

"I'll think about it tomorrow," stated Debbie Lawrence, 12. Several other students reacted similarly when asked what they intended to do after high school. To such students, making any kind of lifelong decision seemed nearly impossible.

Contrary to these students, others knew exactly what paths they would take. About 75 percent of students surveyed definitely planned to attend a college or trade school.

Many students planned to work in

such areas as business or medicine when they completed their educations. Some students had unique career plans such as a senior girl who planned to be a concert pianist or a junior boy who wanted to join the vice squad.

Those students deciding not to continue their education after high school planned to get jobs immediately after graduation. Their job choices included those involving sports and music.

Most students wanted their own families and planned to marry about the age of 25. Almost 75 percent of them wanted children.

Several students set personal goals. The most common ones included success and happiness.

Although not all students had decided on all they wanted from life, others had definite plans such as Jeanie Ducate, 11, who stated "I want to teach myself many languages and finally become a Systems Analyst."

Katherine Maas
Shannon Maher
Mike Mahoney
Tom Malsby
Jeff Mann
Scott Marr



Mike Martin
Jeff Mattucks
Carrie McCord
Jack McCord
Dan McDermott
Tom McElmurry



John McMurray
Debbie Messina
Julia Meyer
Tim Meyers
Steve Miles



Andy Miller
Brett Miller
Gary Miller
Lynn Miller
Linda Monroe



Jo Lynne Morton
Jim Mosby
Karla Mote
Kathleen Murray
Olivia Myers



SENIORS



Rob O'Neil
Lynette Pace
Craig Patterson
Elaine Payne
Daryl Penner
Jerry Petrus



Cindy Pittman
Kelly Porter
Bryon Price
Scott Pummill
Jerry Rapp
Debi Ray



David Reed
Joya Reed
Kim Reifel
Linda Rice
Scott Riggs
Trent Riggs



Randi Rittman
Philip Riverol
Tom Roberts
Gregg Robertson
Carol Roleke
Jill Ross



ABOVE: Quietly displaying enthusiasm, Marcy LaQuey, 12, eagerly waits for new customers at Baker's Shoe Store.

LEFT: Seniors Leslie Katz, Jamie Graves, and Mark Whitley participate in college day.

Michael McDonald adds his touch at the Superbowl of Rock for the Doobie Brothers.



Cindi Sambor
Stacy Satz
Frank Sbisa



Craig Schmedding
Mark Schmedding
Melanie Schmedding



Teresa Schnell
David Schulman
Becky Schwaneke
Dan Searls
Gavin Seeley
Phil Shafer



Tom Shaffer
Rose Sharbel
Jeff Shephard
Jannie Sherry
Brian Sinclair
Mike Singer



Despite prices and hassle, Rock 'n Roll still dominates for Yellowjackets

The lights went out, the crowd went wild, the flickering of thousands of lighters glowed within the arena. Suddenly the rows of seats on the floor moved about 10 feet closer toward the stage. The sweet smell of pot hung in the air, and the density of smoke clouded the spot lights. The amplifiers were turned to their maximum level creating tremendous noise. Now the concert the crowd had been waiting weeks to see began.

Fleetwood Mac, Heart, and Bob Seger, proved to be popular concerts with students. Some attended as many as possible, but some made them habit forming. Some didn't go

to concerts because they didn't want to pay the nine to twelve dollars for the ticket. But afterwards, most usually felt they got their money's worth when the concert ended. Going with friends instead of a date was a common way of keeping the cost down.

Starlight Theater let two concerts perform on its stage this fall. One concert featured Heart, and the other The Little River Band with The Dirt Bands. Both concerts played to sell-out crowds. "I really liked Starlight, and I would enjoy more concerts there next summer," said Ron Suchanek, 12.

When asked if their parents hassled

them about going to concerts, about half the students said they were not hassled because their parents didn't care or because they trusted them. Others got hassle because of the drugs and sometimes rowdy crowds. Rick Rea, 11, said, "I don't get hassled because my parents go to concerts."

In general those surveyed felt concerts were worth the high price of the ticket and they could handle the hassle at home because they enjoyed the excitement of seeing their favorite group or artist live in the big concert.

SENIORS



Keith Sisk
Renee Skinner
Lori Slyter
Mike Small
Lonnie Smith
Anthony Spalitto



Aaron Spears
Jack Steiner
Lisa Stern
Lina Stewart
Julie Stone
Jenny Stoor



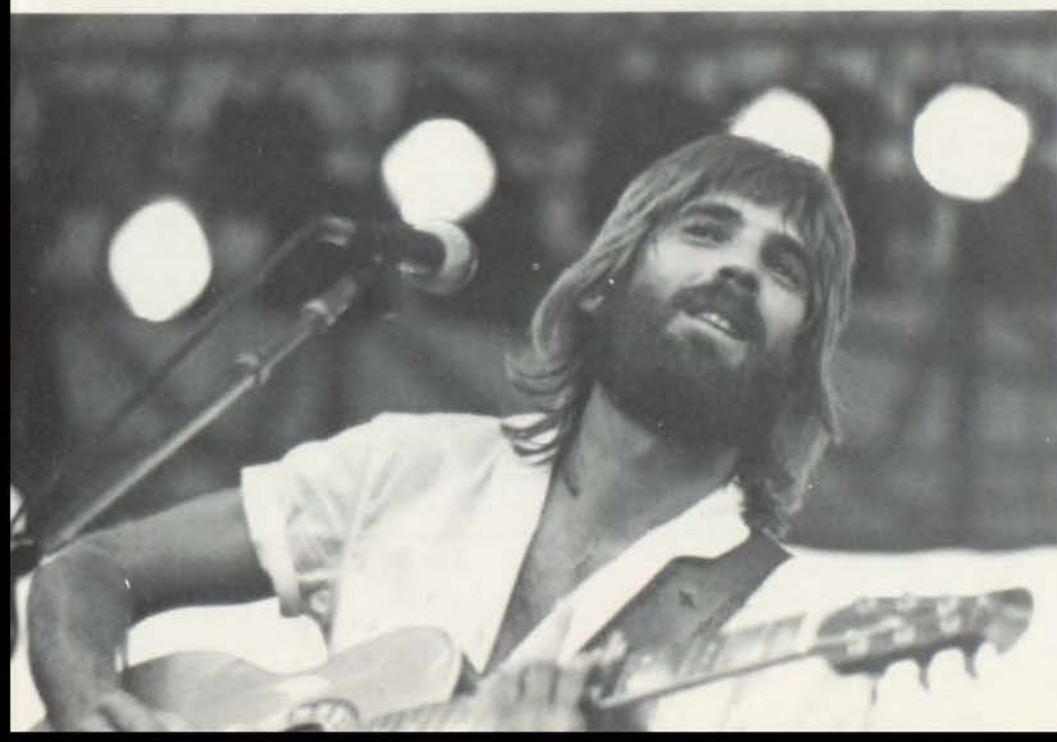
Nancy Sunderland
Vicki Svejda
Mark Swendrowski
Sarah Talbert
Sherry Talman
Stacy Talpers



Pasty Tavernaro
Scott Taylor
Jeff Theiss
Rick Thomas
Gigi Touslee
David Tritt



Joe Tritt
James Trued
Jackie Underwood
Michelle Underwood
Audrey Vandervelden
Mike Venneman



During the Kansas City's only major outdoor concert of the summer, June 27, Kenny Loggins performs one of his popular hits in the extreme heat wave that hit Kansas City.

Debbie Viani
Terry Ward
Arnold Webb
Greg Welsh



Lisa Welsh
Sara Westgate
Dan White
Melanie White



Mark Whitley
Thomas Whitney
Dawn Williams
Roy Wilson



Sherri Winer
Don Wolf
John Wood



Joe Wright
Kristin Zinn
Mark Zobel



Young talents begin treacherous climb toward stardom, inducing amazement

"Knowing you have been accepted by an audience, through their tears, laughter, or applause, has got to be one of the greatest feelings a person can ever encounter," stated Kip Wiener, 11. During the past two years, Kip performed frequently. As a Junior, he starred in **Who Says I Can't Drink**, a community play dealing with teenage alcoholism.

Another promising talent, Jerry

Rapp, 12, performed both in and out of school for about six years. His public performances in the **Barn Players Show**, **Hot I Baltimore**, and weekly appearances as a stand-up comic highlighted his senior year.

In addition to his acting ability, Jerry also possessed an extensive knowledge of show business. Last June he co-founded the **KC Community Acting Company**. The company's first

production, **God's Favorite**, by Neil Simon, proved highly successful.

Both Jerry and Kip expressed hopes of future careers in some area of communications; professional acting rated highest among their dreams. Jerry commented, "I've often thought about becoming a professional actor or comedian, but I feel that a career in broadcasting would be more secure and stable."

SENIORS



Scott Boden
Neal Cahill
Aaron Carver
Laura Coggins



Sania Fazelat
Shelly Hayes
Jeff Hays
Bob Hetrick



Mark Lewis
Glen McMorris
Greg Monroe
Kim Rendina



Mike Ricci
Rebecca Rice
Ellis Ruffin
Ken Sesler



Ron Suchanek
John Vansant
Jerry Weinzirl
Mike Willsey

TOP: Revealing his witty sense of humor, Jerry Rapp, 12, performs as a stand-up comic at Stanford and Sons.

ABOVE: At Shawnee Mission East High School, Kip Wiener, 11, stars as Tim in the community play **Who Say's I Can't Drink.**

SENIORS NOT PICTURED

Cynthia Baker	Daphnia McFall
Alan Beauchamp	Mary Murray
Walter Bell	Alla Narotsky
Jerry Bramble	Belinda Noisewater
Jackie Colvin	Lisa Russell
Kathleen Greening	Cynthia Sambor
David Hellman	Curtis Sipu
Randy James	Mary Ward

Upperclassmen make adjustments

Although change of any kind is hard to accept, it occurs everyday. Even so, many old and new Center students still found difficulty adjusting to the Center High School's new four-year program. Positive and negative reactions both abounded from sophomores to seniors. "The clubs will benefit from the larger enrollment," commented Cecelia DiRaimo, 12.

Terri Flucke, 11, felt the change was not good. "Personally, I don't like the four-year high school. It's too crowded, and the lunch line is so long, by the time I get my lunch, I have five minutes to eat, and with the larger classes, there isn't much individual attention."

Robbie Gillenwater, 10, said, "It's all right, but it's too crowded. My classes are harder this year, but I'm having fun."

Although many Center students rejected the idea of change, the four-year high school issue will soon be a thing of the past. Making the most of this situation required much patience, and many students cooperated extremely well. Marilyn Hamilton, office secretary, said, "The extra grade has not added more work for me."



Todd Aaron
Scott Abel
Sigal Aderet
Teresa Alkire
Linda Allan
Mitch Allison
Tom Allred



Lynn Anderson
Warren Anderson
Jeff Aranson
Gina Arnone
Myron Ashley
Raquel Avila
Jimmy Baker



Dana Bardwell
Ron Barker
Andrea Barthol
Debby Barthol
Meg Bartow
Ken Beard
Joe Beauchamp



Stacey Bell
Tom Berberich
Shari Bessenbacher
Nancy Bigelow
Mike Blatt
Dale Blocker
Paula Blocker



Reda Bloomberg
Henry Bonds
Rita Booker
Joe Borgmeyer
Jon Brady
Leah Breckenridge
Kevin Brooks



Getting a school lunch this year created chaos, due to an increase in pupils.



John Brown
Mark Brown
Stefanie Brown
Susan Brown
Angela Bumgarner



Sarah Bunch
Bill Bunyard
Jeff Burrow
Kelli Caldwell
Jody Canino



Vicky Cantrell
Stephanie Carson
Tammy Carter
Dinah Casey
Lisa Cassity



Joe Cavanaugh
John Chapman
Dana Charles
Charles Christy



Nancy Clark
Jill Clemmons
Jeff Cloud
Diane Cole



Jamie Collins
Cindy Connett
Julie Conway
Betty Cook



Jeanine Coutts
Marty Cowling
Bruce Cramer
Julie Crews



Steve Cross
Laura Crouch
Barbara Curless
Jo Anna Darrow



Crowded halls make conversing difficult.

JUNIORS

Lisa Dasbach
 Claralene Davenport
 Darla Davis
 Rich Davis
 Lynne Dempsey
 Lesli Denton
 Lester Dial



Therese Donahue
 Chris Doolittle
 Paul Dosanjh
 Jeanie Ducate



Glenn DuPont
 Jim Durbin
 Becky Earp
 Amy Eaton



Dave Eaton
 Mark Eaton
 Mike Eaton
 Cheryl Eimer



Carl Engelken
 Paul Ethridge
 David Evans
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 Denise Ferro



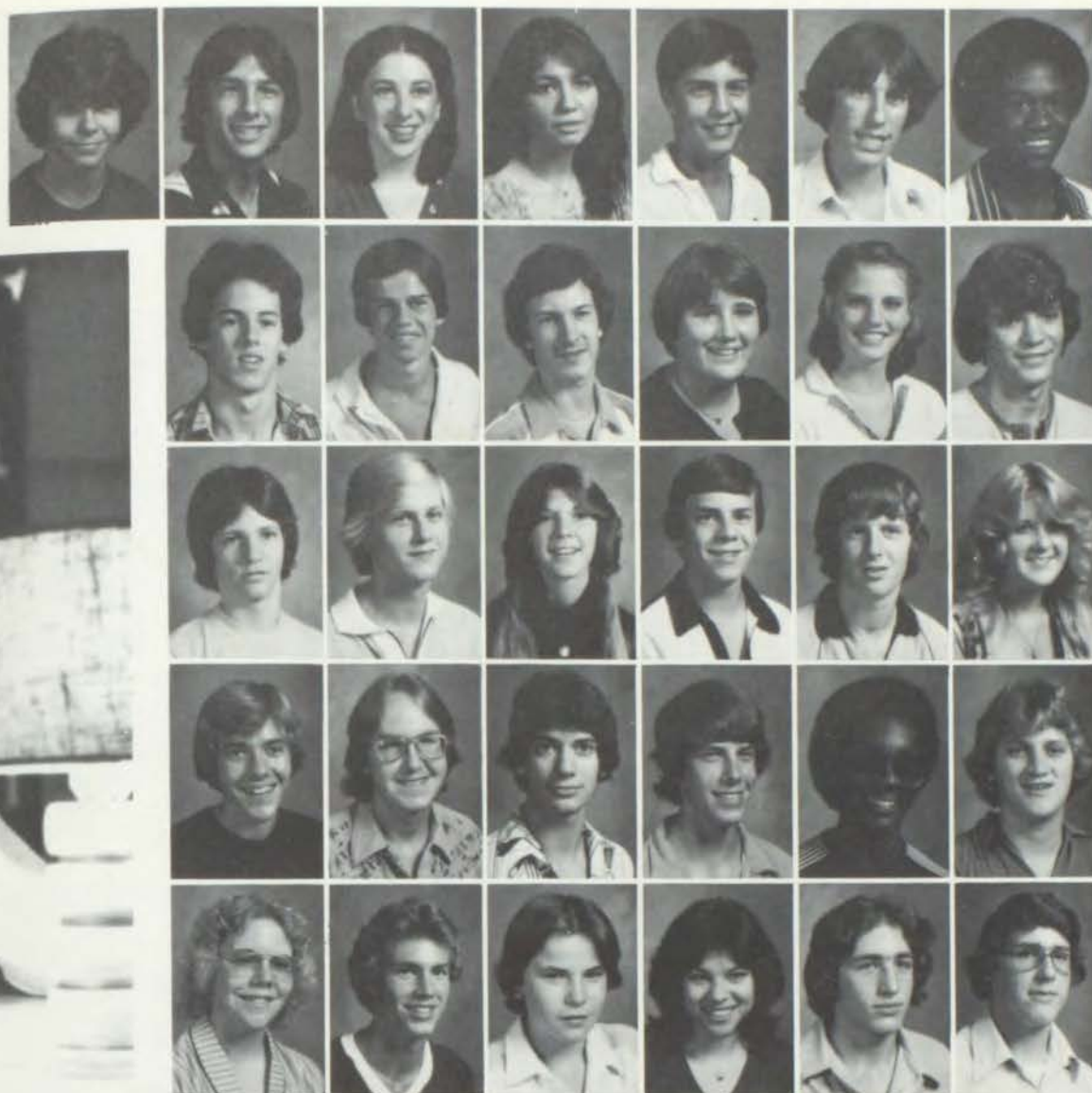
Mike Finley
 Chris Fiorella
 Steve Flack
 Terri Flucke



ABOVE: Volunteering her services, Kathy Willard, 11, works diligently in Kit Bond's office.

RIGHT: During the model election, Anthony Spallito, 12, and Marisa Ogg, 9, cast their votes.





Mike Franano
John Franklin
Michele Gallas
Cathy Jo Garcia
Danny Garcia
Jeff Gardner
John Garrett

Brian Gill
Art Goetz
Steve Goodman
Cathy Gosselin
Gail Grauberger
Alan Graves

Mark Gray
Ron Gray
Debbie Greening
Lee Greenstreet
Andy Gruver
Laura Hale

Tony Hallaba
Joe Halloran
Steve Hamadi
Brian Harms
Mark Harris
Scott Harrison

Kris Hase
Mark Hatfield
Steve Hellon
Glory Hernandez
Steve Hertzfield
Russ Hess

Students give free time to campaigns

'Twas the night of the election and all through the school not a creature was stirring—except in the cafeteria. On November 4 a group of students gathered in the cafeteria from 8:00 p.m. to midnight to watch the election returns as they munched on pizza.

The students' concern for the outcome of the election could be explained by the countless hours many of them spent working on the political campaigns. The students campaigned for such candidates as Thomas Eagleton, Joseph Teasdale, Jimmy Carter, and Kit Bond. Their volunteer services included addressing and passing out literature, phone calling, posting signs, and soliciting at shopping centers.

The inspirations behind their services varied among the students. Junior Kathy Willard stated, "I simply must be involved in politics, it's like my first love." Concerning Bond's victory over Teasdale, Kathy commented, "I'm really glad we won, but even if we would have lost, the effort would have still been worth-while because I learned so much and met a lot of neat people."

Karen Hollrah
 Larry Holsworth
 Julie Hosek
 Paul Houser
 Lynn Houston
 Amy Howk
 Tina Hudson



Mindy Huling
 Glenn Hunt
 Allison Hunter
 Heys Hwang
 Joe Jackson
 Michele Jacobson
 Dennis Jeffries



Amy Jones
 Mike Jones
 Preston Jones
 Sandra Jones
 Melissa Judge
 Les Jurgeson
 Herman Kanter



Matt Kauffman
 Kathy Kennedy
 Scott Kennedy
 Jon Kieffer
 Rick King
 Bob Kinton
 Sherri Kisluk



Kim Kleb
 Ray Klein
 Mike Kobusch
 Todd Koelling
 Craig Kubayko
 Jack Lambert



Dating couples leave tradition behind

Students named Worlds of Fun, miniature golf, parties, concerts, sports events, skating, the theater, and school dances as places they normally went on a date, but the most popular date seemed to be dinner and a movie.

The cost of these activities rose higher than ever, so many couples went out on a "dutch treat," where the girl paid half. Students had mixed emotions about the girl helping with the expenses. One Senior girl said, "It depends on the situation; if a girl wants to take her boyfriend out to dinner, that's great." "The girl should pay only when she asks you out," commented a Junior boy. One Sophomore boy answered, "Most girls are for ERA, so I think if they want equal rights they should pay equally on dates."

Although students named a variety of places to go on a date, the majority said that they dated mainly for the fun of it. Other reasons were to meet people and for the company.

Even with the change in tradition, dating remained a fun activity that the majority of students at Center participated in.



JUNIORS

Aaron Spears, 12, and Carla Compton, 10, say goodbye next to the buses before leaving.



Chris Lasiter
Liz Lawrence
Teresa Lehr
Todd Leibert

Rick Lerner
Daniel Liao
Karen Lininger
Debbie Locklear

Frank Lombard
Ken Lovelace
Donna Luehrman
Leslie Lyles

Robin Lyles
Janice Mackay
Lana Malsby
Brad McBee

Matt McCain
Mikalyn McCann
Stephanie McEntire
John McGuire

Susan Meiners
Michelle Melson
Sandi Meyer
Chris Michelson

Carren Miller
Michelle Miller
Jackie Mitchell
Kevin Montgomery

Lori Montgomery
Syd Montgomery
Bret Moon
Kim Mooney



LEFT: At a football game, Philip Riverol, 12, and Julie Read, 10, see only each other.

ABOVE: Couples sway to a slow number at the Homecoming Dance, a big date for many couples.

Injuries hamper athletic scholarship offers

While some seniors made preparations to attend college next year, some hung on a thread of uncertainty. David Chamberlain, 12, and Mike Martin, 12, sustained injuries prior to their first football game. Both held starting Varsity positions and were top college prospects. David sustained a broken collarbone and Mike injured his leg. "After surgery was the worst. I couldn't even put my pants on myself or tie my shoes," explained David. Other than personal side effects, David's and Mike's injuries took away many opportunities for college scouts to see them perform. "My injury has reduced my chances for scholarships to almost nothing," commented David. "My injury won't affect my playing next year, but it has affected my scholarship offers," said Mike.



Kathy Moore
Trish Morgan
Robin Nafus
Anya Nebgen
Phyllis Noisewater



Jolie Ogg
Kathi O'Keefe
Beth O'Larte
Jeff Olson
Holly Owens



Richard Palmay
Matt Palmer
Christy Parson
Diana Pascuzzi
Daxa Patel



Kathy Perahoritis
Marilyn Perry
Doreena Peters
Gregg Peters
Lorraine Petersen



Lisa Phelps
Jon Phillips
Rick Phillips
Troy Phinney
Rick Pollack



Mike Martin, 12, and Dave Chamberlain, 12, leave the stadium reminiscent of games past.





Dave Chamberlain, 12, Mike Martin, 12, and Roger Heard, 12, leave after football camp.



Tracie Ponick
John Porter
Sherrie Porter



Allison Ramey
Andre Randal
Kulvinder Randhawa



Jeremiah Randolph
Rick Rea
Jim Rebman
Mary Reckart
Laura Redlin



Robert Reed
Kathy Renne
Leo ReVoal
Lisa Riddell
Chuck Roberts



Kim Roberts
Kirk Roberts
Jeff Robinson
Jennifer Rogers
Eddie Rogozenski



Laura Ross
James Russell
Debbie Ryan
Andy Rynard
Robert Sacks



Amy Samberg
Glen Sands
Dale Scaletty
Jean Scanlon
Jimmy Scheier



Eli Schultz
Stacey Shalton
Connie Shaw
Jim Shea
Amy Shepherd



JUNIORS

Suzy Siegler
 Kim Siemsen
 Jacquie Singer
 Christy Sipu
 Lorie Sisk
 Terri Sloan
 Andy Slusher



Teresa Smith
 Terri Smith
 David Smothers
 Denise Stern
 Sandy Stern
 Dee Ann Suchanek
 David Svejda



Todd Swartz
 Julie Tavernaro
 Steve Taylor
 Kelly Tedlock
 Jana Teehey
 Angela Tigner
 Karen Timmons



Jim Tomblin
 Wendy Toth
 Scott Totty
 Susan Trestik
 Mike Tritt
 Lan My Tu
 Mindy Turner



Matt Tusken
 Elaine Urich
 Paul Van Becelaere
 Paul Van Dan Elzen
 Lisa Vanderford
 Andy Van Slyke
 Karen Wages



Jeff Wall
 Joanie Walterman
 Kim Wardlow
 Nancy Waxman
 Joe Weber



Kip Weiner
 Diane Weinzirl
 Robert Weisberger
 Doug Westrope
 Kelli Wetherill



Lisa Wheeler
 Bernard White
 James White
 Kent White
 Billy Whiteaker



Leianne Whittle
 Rod Wilcoxon
 Kathy Willard
 Doug Williams
 Jimmy Williams





Dancing to the tune of "Rock Around the Clock" on the prize-winning COE float, Mary Bundy, 12, and Bob Lewinsohn, 12, display homecoming enthusiasm.

JUNIORS NOT PICTURED

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|----------------|----------------|
| Todd Aaron | Nancy Howard |
| Assef Assefi | Cheryl Ingalls |
| Claud Blackman | Quentin Morse |
| Amy Bregel | Tracy Perkins |
| Sharon Brown | John Smitley |
| Mark Frazier | |



- Keith Williams
Lori Williams
Sherm Williams
Colleen Wilson

- Flora Winitz
Mark Winner
Carrie Winterowd
Mike Wolf

- Donna Wyatt
Katie Yager
Shannon Yeisley
Lori Yoksh

- Beth Young
Keith Young
Burgess Zbryk
Evan Zobel

JUNIORS



Homecoming intensifies school spirit

Horns blared, colors sparkled, and riders waved with enthusiasm as the floats made their way around the track. Most people in the audience failed to realize the vast amount of work involved in building a float.

The amount of actual time spent on the floats varied from five to fifty hours per person. Several students interviewed agreed that the most time-consuming and sometimes difficult tasks included dreaming up a unique idea, drawing up reliable plans, building the frame, and covering everything with paper flowers.

A few small problems resulted during the assemblance of floats such as unsteady frames falling, minor cuts or bruises from misuse of tools, falling behind in homework assignments, or mis-sized objects having to be redesigned.

Even though building floats took up much of the students' time, most felt it served as a worthwhile project. "Working on floats has made me more spirited," stated Lisa Dasbach, 11, "and has brought our club members closer together."

CGSA members transform into Mouseketeers.

Kim Accurso
 Tim Albright
 Mia Allred
 Julie Alport
 Kris Amick
 Angela Anderson
 Mona Appleby



Curt Arnold
 Randy Ashford
 Amy Averill
 Beth Bailey
 Laura Bailey
 Pam Baker
 Elbie Ball



David Barnes
 Sam Barnes
 Melinda Baughman
 Dina Baumgardner
 Allison Bell
 Denise Bell
 Pat Benanti



Cindi Berger
 Kendall Berry
 Linda Bisby
 Pam Blackmon
 Ilya Blond
 Randy Bloom
 Buddy Bohrn



Bob Bollinger
 David Boyles
 Carol Brown
 Shirley Brown
 Ami Bruce
 Barry Burgdorf
 Scott Burroughs



Music-minded students reveal variety of talents

Although not always recognized, musically talented individuals flourished at Center, in both the instrumental and vocal categories.

Several popular rock bands highlighted the school. One, 'Side Effects', performed at the Ice Breaker dance, which set new records for attendance. Members from Center included Glen Sands, 11, Julia Butler, 12, and Rick Thomas, 12. The group performed mainly Top 40 rock.

Another local group, 'Paradise', played mainly hard rock.

"I don't really care what kind of stuff we do, I'm just there to play," commented bass player Andy Rynard, 11. Other members from Center included Mike Franano, 11, Kirk Roberts, 11, and Jay Thomas, 10.

Vocalists were also well represent-

ed at Center. Kym Beggs, 12, has performed since the age of two years.

"Singing to me is like stamp collecting to someone else," stated Kym, "It's something I enjoy doing on the side." Kym traveled across Missouri and Kansas singing with her sisters, performed on Channel 50's **Youth For Christ** program, and sang with her church.

Julia Butler, 12, found music to be the motivating force in her life. Julia performed in **Hello Dolly** at Loose Park last summer. She also sang with her church regularly.

"Music gets me through the day," she said, "I don't think I could go into any other field, I'd be bored to tears."



SOPHOMORES



Scott Bussey
Rich Caffrey
Kirk Campbell
Andi Capps
Bill Carr
Mary Carson
Kim Carver



Steve Catalano
Donna Cauthon
Tony Cauthon
Dianne Christy
Kevin Chronister
Karen Claar
Tammie Clemmons



Lisa Clough
Margi Coggins
Louis Cohn
Randy Collins
Rhonda Collins
Carla Compton
Anna Connelly



Tom Cook
Andrew Corchine
Gina Cosnotti
Mary Cost
Lorrie Cowan
Tim Cox
Tom Cox



Tyler Cox
Lisa Cramer
Lori Crawford
Steve Crites
Robin Curtis
Andi Czarlinsky
Bryan Dahms



Janet Daniel
Jeffrey Daniel
Jennifer Davis
Mike Davis
Dewayne Day
Greg Day



Frank DeMaggio
Chris Delaney
Ken Dessert
Allison DeWitt
Mary Jo Dickhut
Angela Diercks



Jana DiVilbiss
Kevin Donahue
Pam Douglass
Jeff Drummond
Mary Ann Drummond
Paula Dumit

Lead guitarist Glen Sands, 11, solos during a practice of his band, 'Side Effects'.

Hidden problems at student hangouts surface

The sun set Friday beginning that long-awaited weekend. The golden arches of McDonalds loomed into the sky and the brightly lit signs of pizza parlors caught wondering eyes. A closer look revealed crowds of students gathered near these areas.

The most popular places after football games and other activities were McDonalds, Godfathers, Paul Schaal's, and Watts Mill Theaters. People went to these places primarily to see their friends. "I go there because most of my friends do," said one freshman girl. One sophomore girl also commented, "I go there mainly to talk to everyone."

Not all of the surroundings were bright and cheerful. Hidden behind cashiers' smiles and waitresses' happy voices lay many problems. At McDonalds people walked into the restaurant in large groups causing workers to become flustered at impatient customers. When an order was wrong or the food below satisfaction, the cashiers received the brunt of the blow while trying to keep that smile.

At times irritated patrons let the dark side of their character show and took out their annoyance on the worker. "Trying to maintain that cheerful smile is hard at times," Flora Winitz, 11, replied, "Since I have been working at McDonalds for some time it grows easier."

Watts Mill Theaters had their share of problems. Many students could not enter an R rated movie because their age fell below seventeen. One sophomore boy complained, "They never used to check identification before."

Godfathers Pizza cracked down on their policies also. Because crowds grew larger and the noise level reached a rowdy peak, the management had to post a worker outside their doors prohibiting people to enter unless they were going to eat.

Even though problems existed teenagers still liked to go to their hangout. One sophomore girl said, "I've been going to the Watts Mill area for some time now, and I'll still go there in the future."



At McDonalds, students strike a pose while out for their evenings activities.

Fred DuPont
Kyla Edwards
Tina Erickson
Regina Eubanks
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Cindy Fey



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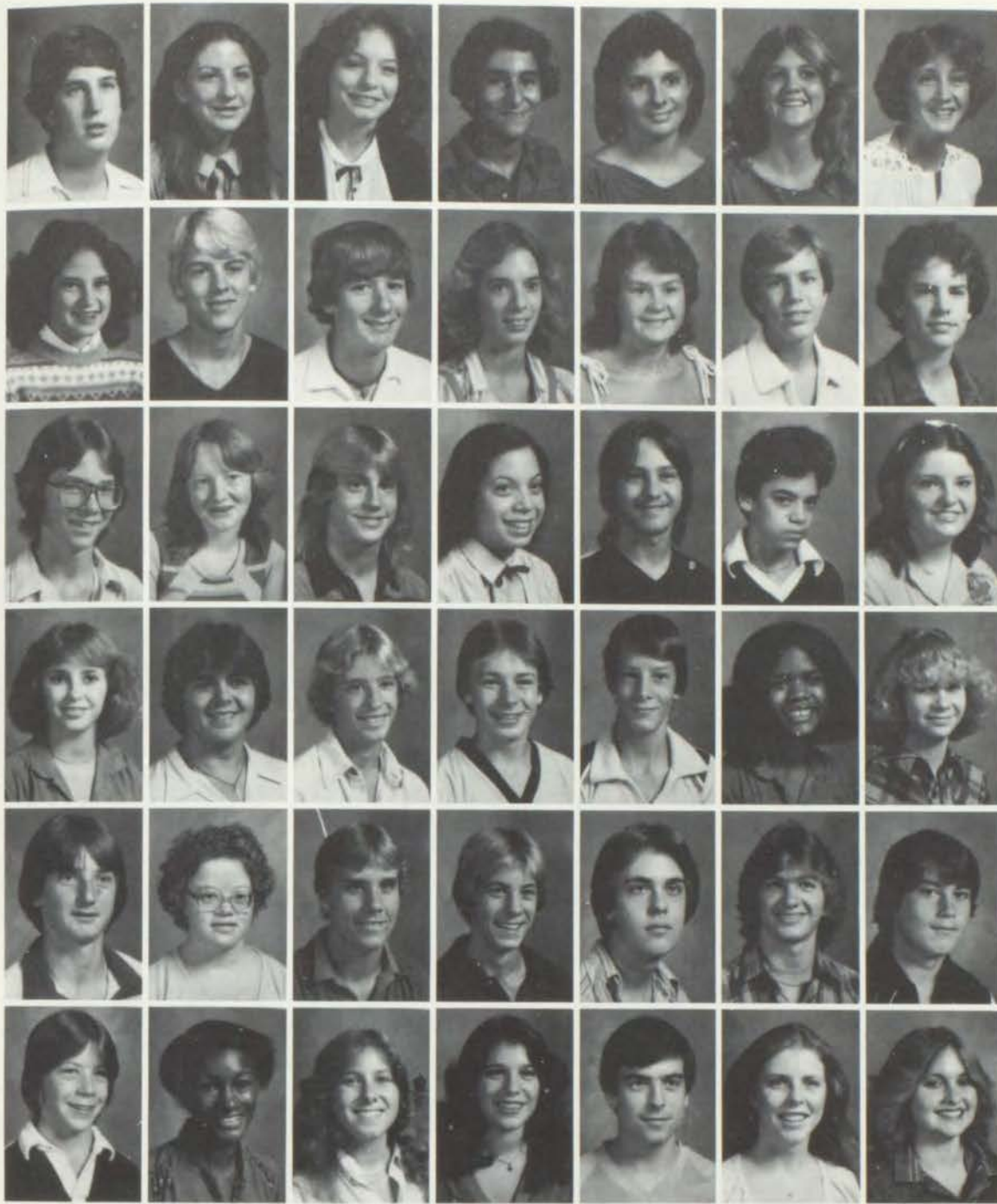


Bryan Frischer
Pat Fugitt
Bob Gaiser
Tom Gallo
Tammy Gatewood
Ken Gelhorn
Danny German



Carol Giamalvo
Robbie Gillenwater
Jamie Ginsberg
Marsha Ginson
Tamar Ginzburg
Steve Gleason
W.L. Goetz





Bill Goodson
Michelle Gordon
Lacey Lynn Gott
Siyamak Gouel
Terri Cragg
Ann Graham
Karen Greathouse

Mary Grooms
Frank Hale
Jim Hamrick
Missy Hanover
Jody Harless
Alan Hase
Bob Hathaway

Steve Hedgpeth
Sherry Henderson
Steve Henderson
Elizabeth Heng
Mike Hercules
Robert Hernandez
Margie Hetrik

Kelly Hines
Tim Hockett
Scott Hooper
Mike Howard
Jackie Huskisson
Melanie Hutchison

Drew Hutton
Emily Indall
Albert Janssens
Wayne Janzen
Chuck Johnson
David Johnson
Jim Jones

Mike Jones
Valerie Jones
Lily Kanter
Christina Kartsonis
Dan Kauffman
Elizabeth Kauffman
Rhonda Kee

Barbara Keys
Anthony Killingsworth
Lee Ann King

David Kingore
John Kinnard
Jim Kinsinger

SOPHOMORES



Enjoying themselves, juniors Greg Peters and Todd Koelling relax and talk.

On Friday evening, Tom Walsh and Bill Carr cruise the streets at Watts Mill.



Tim Kneib
Tom Kneib
Julia Koncak



Laura Krull
Jim Kuecker
George Lagis



John Lambert
Jim Lammers
Wally Langley
Tammy Lasiter
Christine Lau
Lea Lavish
Pam Lawson



Karen Levine
Kevin Levine
Charles Lewer
Jim Lewis
Paul Licausi
Karen Lindholm
Lori Lisman



Maria Little
Mike Lombardino
Christine Lopez
Mike Lothamer
Kurt Loudon
Lashon Lovelace
David Lowenthal



Debbie Luetjen
Rhonda Maas
Thomas Magee
Jim Mallory
Jane Mandabach
Frank Manzella
Traci Masters



Greg Mathews
Wendy Mattingly
Tonya Mayes
Kevin McCalmon
Richard McCord
Jo McDermid
Duana McFall



David McKemie
Margaret McKinney
Vince McMurray
Michael McTernan
Greg Meade
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Mindy Meyer





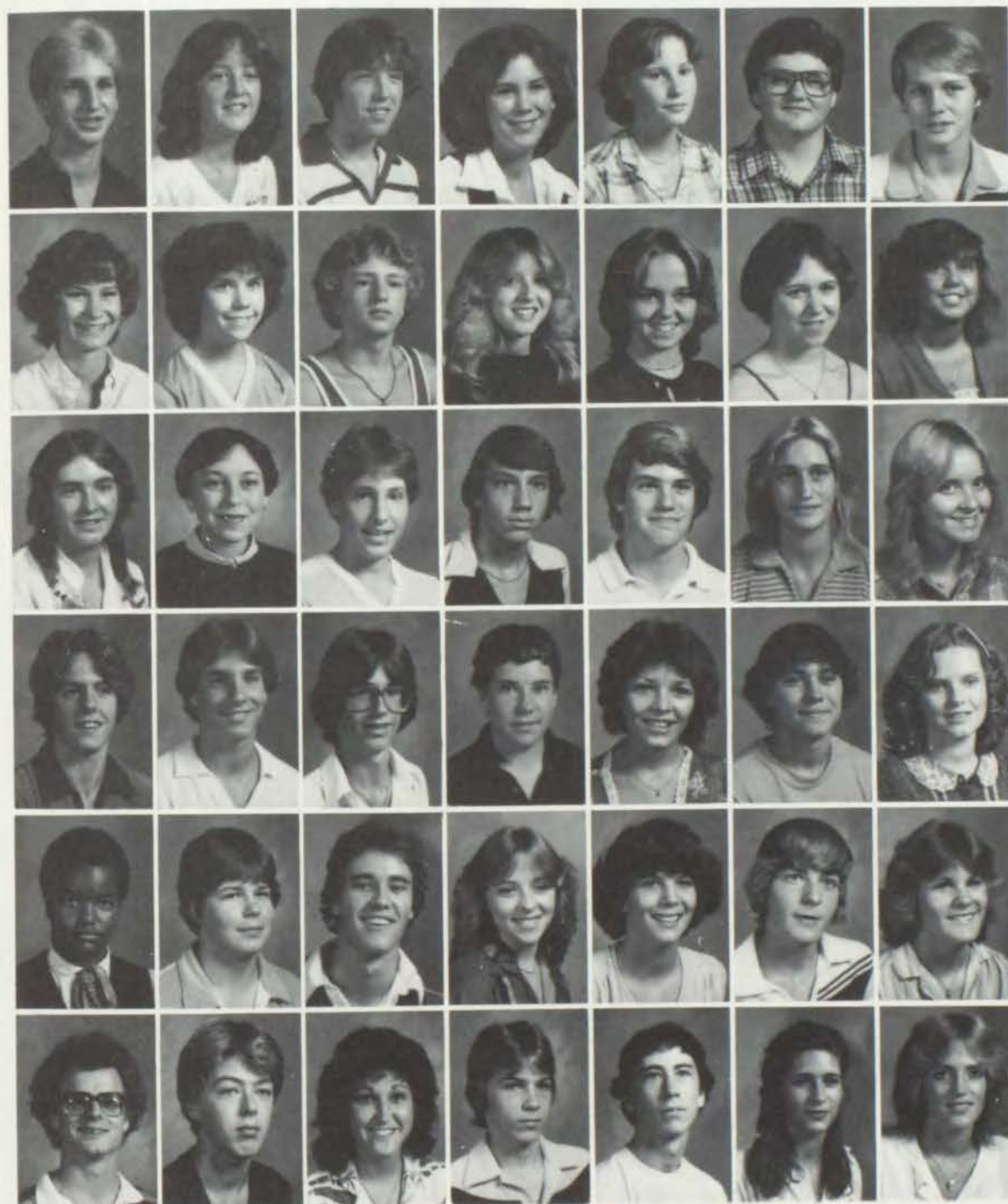
Driving forces students to adopt responsibilities

Sophomores waited endlessly for their sixteenth birthday in order to get their drivers' license. The excitement grew as the day approached.

"I am excited that I'm finally able to drive," stated Tom Magee. "I will go cruise around with my friends all night," remarked John Kinnard. These were the feelings shared by most Sophomores. Being able to drive gave students a sense of freedom; of being able to go anywhere, whenever they wanted without having to ask for a ride.

The enthusiasm often overshadowed the challenge of new responsibilities. Ownership of a vehicle forced some students to search for a job. Tom Magee said, "I would have to get a job to provide payment for insurance and the operational cost of the car."

Numerous students found that the price of their dream car exceeded their budget. So many turned to used cars or shared the possession of a car with their parents to relieve part of the load.



Mike Middleton
Debbie Mildfelt
Mark Miles
Lisa Mingucci
Linda Mitchell
Bob Moeder
Jim Mori

Kay Morrissey
Jackie Morton
Terry Myers
Lisa Nash
Lorie Nelms
Margie Newell
Conni Oliver

Carol Payne
Jill Peltzie
Athan Perahoritis
John Perry
John Peterson
Vicky Peterson
Lynda Phillips

Charles Pickett
David Pierret
Steve Pierret
Mike Pippin
Sandy Prewitt
David Raffurty
Andrea Ramsey

Barbara Randall
Brett Rankin
Pete Raske
Michelle Rausch
Julie Read
Joe Reddy
Natalie Reed

Scott Register
Brian Rex
Sherri Ricci
John Rice
Paul Robinett
Jann Rubin
Barbara Russell

SOPHOMORES

Robin Samberg
 Angie Sanders
 Jill Sappington
 Mark Sartory
 Phillip Scaglia
 Michael Schultz
 Jill Schwartz



Curt Sesler
 Elizabeth Shelton
 Mike Sherry
 Leon Shnayder
 Kim Shumway
 Cathy Siemsen
 Susan Simon



Stephanie Simpson
 Pam Singer
 Celestine Smith
 David Smith
 David Smith
 John Snider
 Paul Snow



Curt Staats
 Suzette Stephenson
 Mona Stewart
 Dana Straws
 Ricki Sturn
 Mike Suchanek
 John Sumler



Soaps entrance Sophomore television viewers

Each Friday evening at 9:00, about 50 Center students sat huddled around their television sets, eyes glued to the screen. These people were anxiously awaiting the broadcast of **Dallas**, presently one of TV's most popular soap operas. Out of 110 Center students surveyed, half watched **Dallas** faithfully; yet with all the publicity this famous soap has received, half of those surveyed never viewed it, even to see what all the fuss was about. Approximately half of those who watched it viewed it as often as they could. Many of these viewers claimed they knew the whole story, up to the answer to the big question: Who shot J.R.? Half of those surveyed believed Sue Ellen, J.R.'s wife shot him. Many people who did not watch "Dallas," though J.R. was a common name, confessed they didn't know who shot him.

Center students watched many other soap operas during their summer vacations. These soaps included **Ryan's Hope**, **General Hospital**, **As the World Turns**, **The Young and the Restless**, and **Soap**. Many students complained they had nothing better to do than to sit at home and watch the soaps. But some Center students voiced a reason for watching them. "I want to know who shot J.R.," said Mike Suchanek, 10.

The beginning of school marked the end of the viewing of these beloved soap operas. Many students still tried to watch their favorite soap when they returned home from school, provided it was still broadcast in the late afternoon. But many will have to give up soap operas until next summer, when they will devote much of their summer to watching them.

A novelty store displays publicity promoting items for "Dallas".

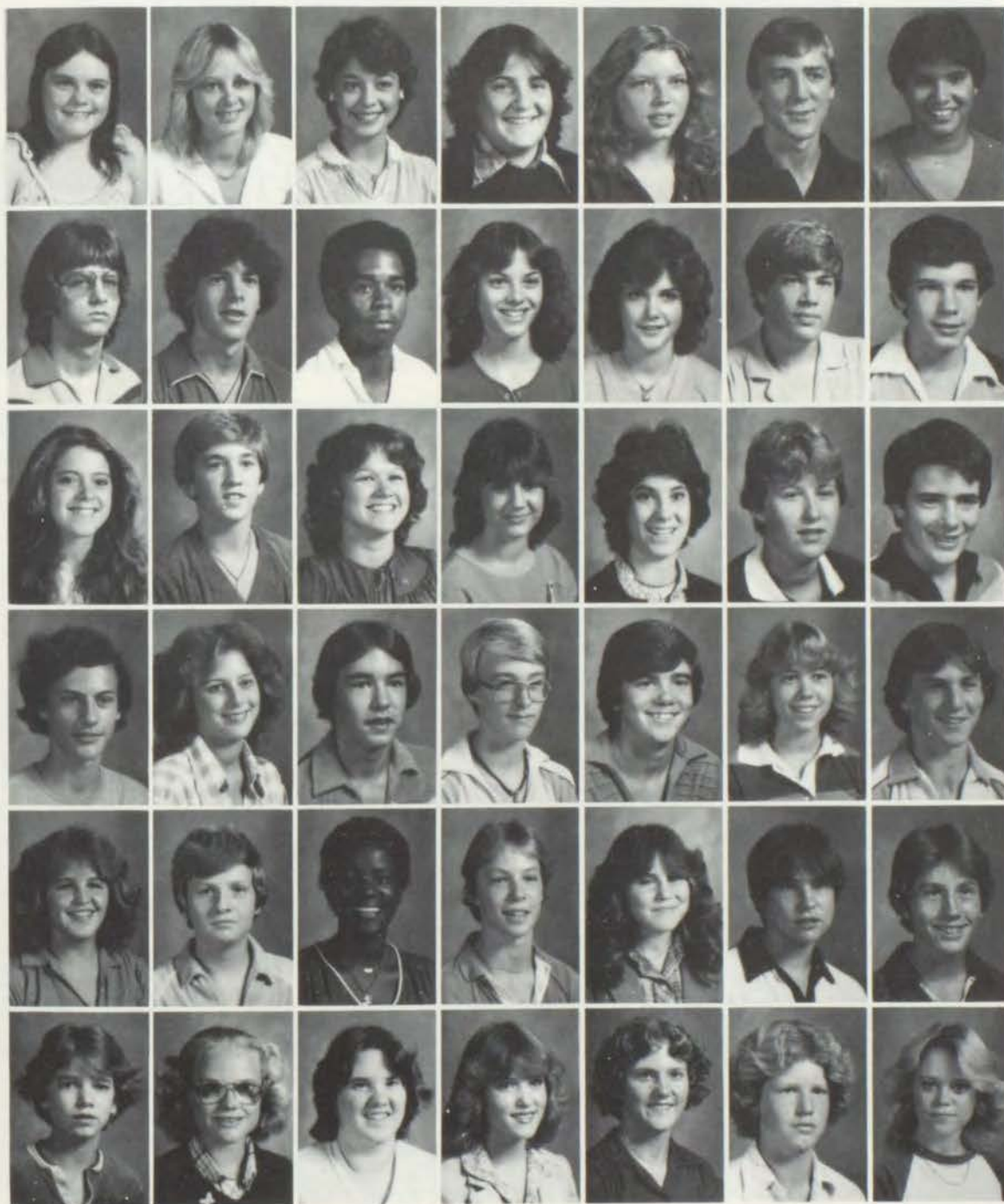




SOPHOMORES NOT PICTURED

Allyson Hogan
 Ricky Keller
 Don Kincaid
 Sara Levy
 Dale McMorris
 Hung Vuong Nguyen
 Keath Ward
 Jeff Williams

"J.R." jeans make a splash with Lisa Unell, 10.



Wendy Svejda
 Lisa Swendrowski
 Julie Talman
 Maria Tarantino
 Donna Tavernaro
 Tom Tavernaro
 Janie Thomas

Jay Thomas
 Steve Thomas
 Walt Thompson
 Gina Touslee
 Kelly Trefz
 Dan Trestik
 Steve Tyrrell

Lisa Unell
 Kurt Unruh
 Bonnie Vanderslice
 Sheila Vardakis
 Theresa Vardakis
 Terry Wachly
 Derek Walker

Greg Weber
 Melissa Weber
 Tom Welsh
 Jon Wenski
 Jeff West
 Tammy Wewers
 Mike Whisler

Kelly Whitaker
 Jeff White
 Lynn White
 Todd Wilcher
 Cheryl Williams
 John Williams
 Terry Williams

Rick Willsey
 Laurie Wilson
 Leslie Wood
 Lisa Yoksh
 Diane Young
 Todd Young
 Barb Ziegler

SOPHOMORES

Students' dreams take them to far off places around the globe

A Japanese tea garden, a sandy beach with a warm climate, and the Eiffel Tower came into the minds of students when they thought of their dream places. They reached for the stars to that always desired dream, thinking that any possibility could eventually be a reality.

If she possessed an airplane ticket to travel anywhere, Annette Davis, 12, commented, "I would like to go to France. I'm familiar with the language and interested in the culture and atmosphere." While Paris, France, noted popularity, Switzerland, England, and Europe in general followed closely.

Many said they hoped to travel later in their life if possible. Cathy Siemson, 10, said,

"I'd like to travel to Japan and meet my mother's family."

Students expressed their ideas of what movie star they wanted to meet. Most of the males said they would like to meet Bo Derek and Cheryl Ladd while the females picked Burt Reynolds and Clint Eastwood. One girl said, "I love Barry Manilow. I've always wanted to see him in concert and in person."

"I'd like to be a hot air balloonist," Karen Lindholm, 10, stated. Of the people surveyed almost everyone had some career goal. The professions varied from housewife in a small town, and a cosmetologist or model in New York, to a movie or rock star.



Steve Aaron
Leslie Adkins
Melissa Albright
Steve Anderson
Nancy Anthuis
Carl Ash
Bruce Averill



Jennifer Bahr
Jerry Bain
Darrell Baker
Dean Baker
Sammy Baker
Geri Balow
Janna Barthol



Ellen Bartimus
Kristin Basham
Becky Bauer
James Baumgardner
Eric Baumgartner
Brian Bell
Michelle Bentley



Andy Bierwirth
Amy Bink
Bob Bloom
Robert Bohm
Jon Bowles
Andy Bron
Jennifer Brown





During class, Freshmen Ronda Grant and Paul Ducate dream of faraway places.



Scott Brown
Steve Brown
Greg Bueker



Michael Burec
Sherry Burke
Paul Butler



Chris Canino
Karen Carbah
Keith Carbah



Lonnie Carter
Ricky Cauthon
Sherry Chastain



Donna Clark
Jennifer Clemmons
Barry Clemons
Maria Cleveland
James Coleman
Julie Combs
Carrie Conard



JoJo Constantino
Kelly Conway
Chris Cooley
Tonie Craig
Dan Crouch
Shana Cunneen
Cindy Curless



David Danley
Greg Davisson
Harley Dennis
Patty Denton
Mike Dierks
Carla DiRaimo
Diane Donaldson



Paul Ducate
Stephen Duker
David Eike
Cheri Elder
Eric Ellegard
John Ellsworth
Scott Everson

FRESHMEN

Phil Finter
 Jim Fitzsimmons
 Mary Flack
 Shari Fleeks
 Steve Flekier
 Mike Flynn
 Jennifer Foster



Bob Franano
 Leah Frazier
 Joelle Freeman
 Mike Fugitt
 Toni Fuqua
 Bob Gilbertson
 Janice Givens



Bram Glass
 Ken Gosnell
 Ronda Grant
 Andy Cruver
 Kris Hale
 Kathy Hall
 Susan Halloran



Neal Hardin
 Kevin Harlow
 Anthony Hatmaker
 Barbra Heft
 Della Heidbrink
 Kim Henshaw
 Jeff Hertzfield



Joyce Holker
 Steve Holmes
 John Holsen
 Jennifer Houston
 Heidi Howard
 Paul Howe
 Leroy Hutchison



Sheila Inman
 Holly Irwin
 Ray Jackson
 Raymond Jackson
 Brian Jacobs
 Richard Jacobson
 Farnaz Jafari



Shelves lined with cowboy hats, the peak of western fashion, are found at Shepler's.



New dimensions in western style hits big with teenagers

The old ideal picture of the western movie that ended with the same line, "They rode off into the sunset," hasn't died off, but has been reborn with new twists to the old stereotypes.

This fall as Center students filled the stands at football games, heads were covered with cowboy hats and feet were camouflaged by western style boots. If you looked harder you would find the parking lot speckled with pickup trucks and radios blaring country-western music. What was the reason for the sudden burst of the new-old western wave? The answer seems to be attributed to several different people and places.

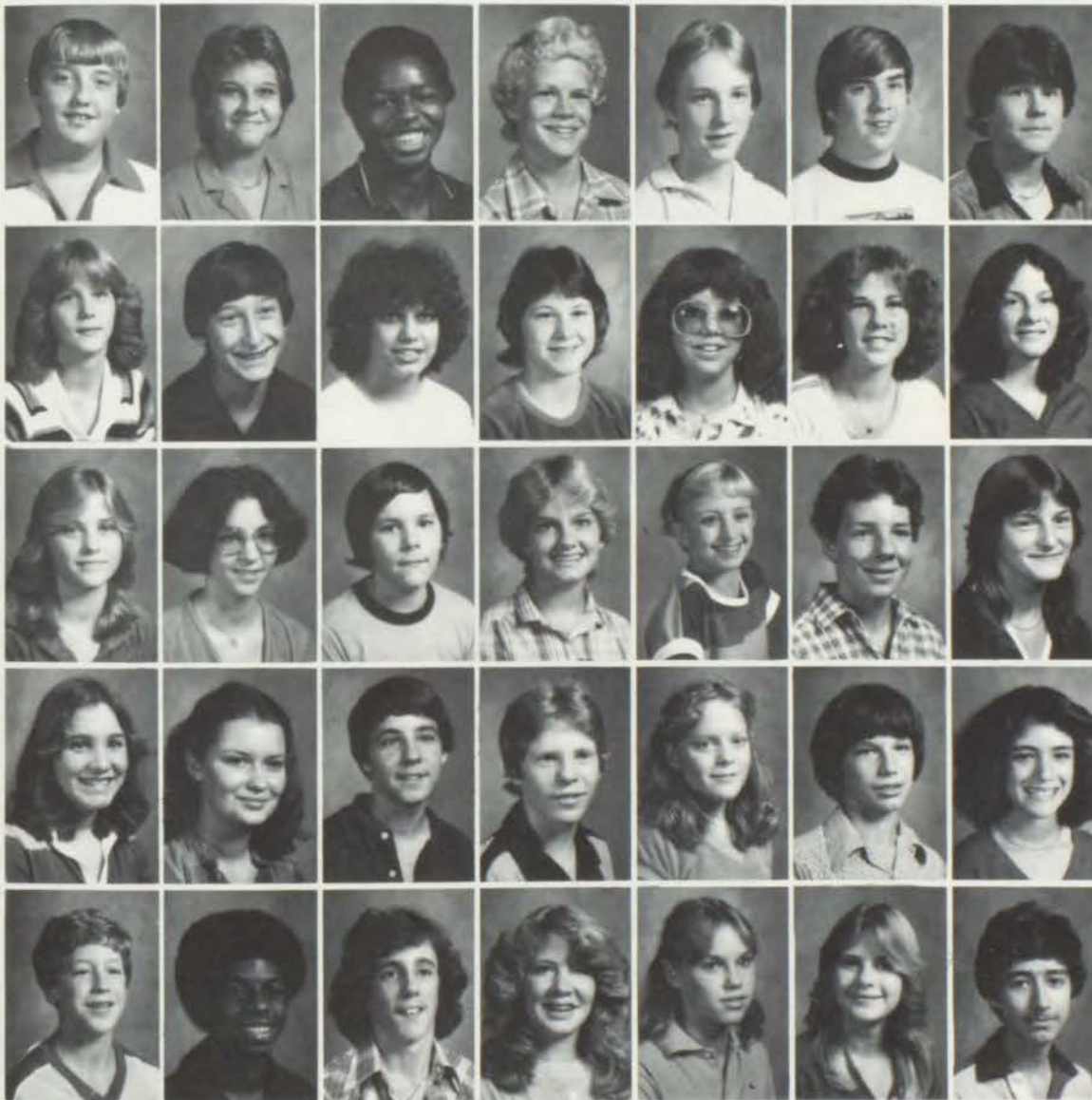
Texas was the main road for the western wave, particularly Houston where Gilley's night club brought country night life to the screen in "Urban Cowboy."

Music country-western style has also made

a tremendous comeback in the last few years. Charlie Daniels and the Charlie Daniels Band; Johnny Lee; and the owner of Gilley's himself, Mickey Gilley, contributed to the "Urban Cowboy" soundtrack.

Several other names were mentioned by students when they were asked what country music star they liked best. Most frequently mentioned were Kenny Rogers, Larry Gatlin and the Gatlin Brothers Band, Barabra Mandrell, and Waylon Jennings. Charles Christy, 11, commented, "I really enjoy Willie Nelson's style of music; he sings some really rowdy songs."

The old western ways have survived for many decades and are still going strong, but whether or not this new version of the old west will survive even a fraction that long, is a question to be answered by time.



Jeff Jayroe
Melinda Jenkins
Ken Johnican
Jeff Johnson
Ken Johnson
David Johnston
Pat Johnston

Vicki Jones
Gary Katz
Monica Kaye
Jeannie Kee
Kathy Keller
Debra Kerr
Mary Kincaid

Tammy Kloiber
Lesli Kocherov
Loren Lamport
Erin Laney
Jill Lanyon
Kevin Latimer
Gail Leeds

Elizabeth Lehr
Kirsten Levin
Mike Levin
Jim Lewis
Tilda Lewis
Russell Liberty
Simone Liebman

Wayne Locklear
Kim Love
John Maggio
Margaret Mahoney
Angela Manning
Lynn Marley
James Marquez

FRESHMEN

Eddy Mathany
 Robbie Mather
 Toby Mathews
 David Matthews
 Autie McClanahan
 Richard McDonald
 Ken McFarland



Judy McGee
 Laurie McGuire
 Jo Marie McMurray
 Suzanne Meyer
 Sheryl Mildfelt
 Lisa Mitchell
 Mike Montgomery



Gina Moore
 Kim Moore
 Samantha Moreno
 Tona Morris
 Steve Mosby
 Jacki Myer
 Gary Nelms



Kenny Noisewater
 Ginny O'Donnell
 Linda O'Renck
 Marisa Ogg
 Raymond Ogle
 Leslie O'Sullivan
 Jim Oswald



Bob Oxler
 Boyd Parscale
 Leann Parson
 Robin Pascuzzi
 Bipin Patel
 Lilli Peck
 Connie Perahoritis



Freshmen find new situations agreeable, sad, pleasurable

Converting from a three-year high school to a four-year high school required many changes, including sending the freshmen up to the senior high. Interviews with the Freshmen proved that many adjusted very well, with few complications. In fact, most liked it a lot better than spending their Freshman year in junior high. "The conversion from the three-year to four-year high school enabled me to gain more, to allow me more opportunities, and to select more classes," said Paul Ducate, 9.

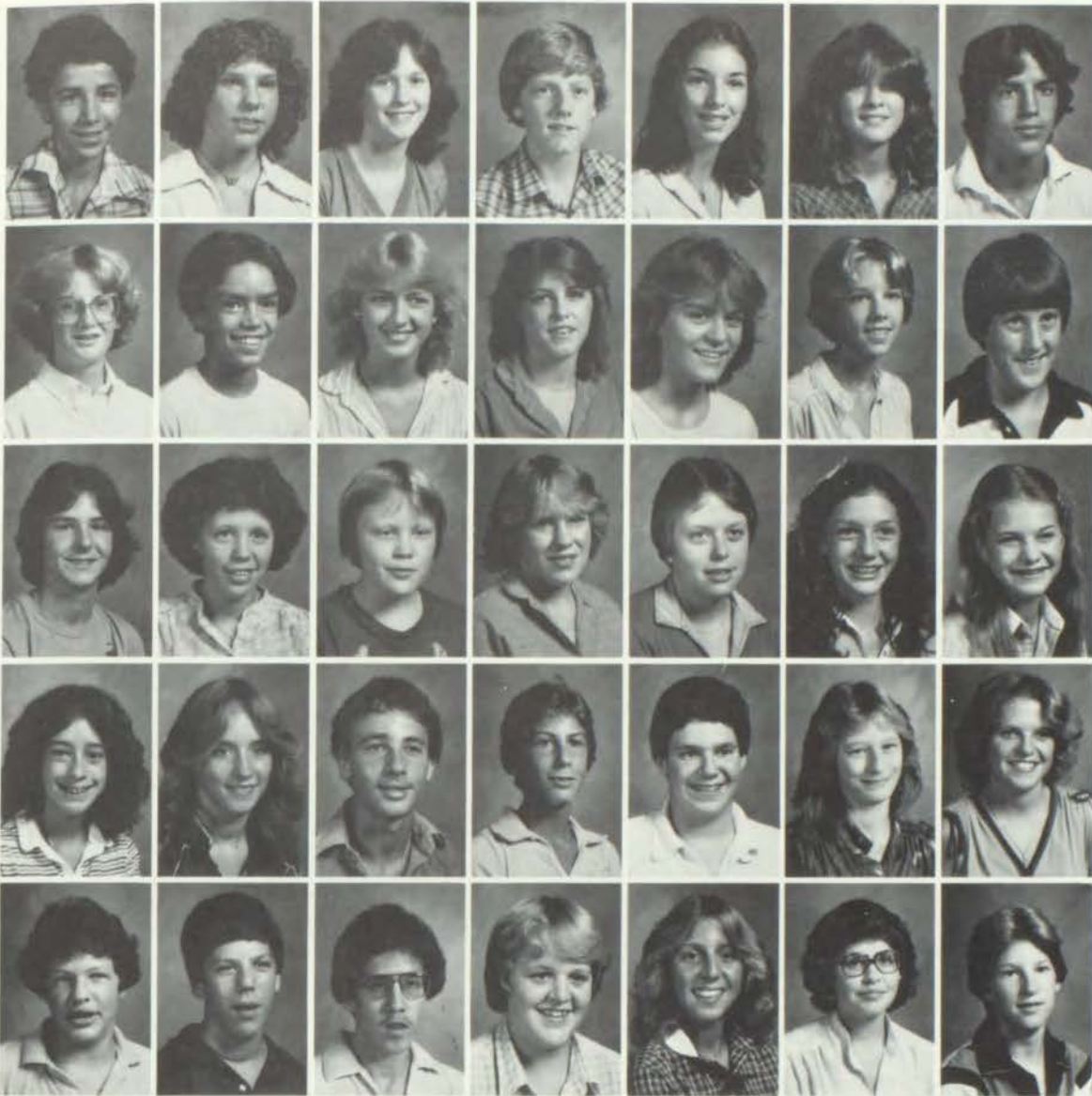
Many frosh changed their hangouts, attending different night spots after football games and other social gatherings. Mike Dierks, 9, said, "I used to hang out at Godfather's in junior high school, but now I go to Paul Schaal's after games." Many, however, still visited the hangout that they attended in junior high.

Most of the ninth graders felt that their schedules had not become more rushed. Classes were the same as they would have been taking if they were still going to their junior high school. In fact, Eric Ellegard, 9, felt his classes were easier. Yet Sheila Inman, 9, thought they were harder. "They get progressively harder anyway," she said.

Being unable to elect or be part of the **Saga/Kachina** King and Queen events disappointed many Freshmen. Mary Beth Tritt, 9, felt strongly on this point, "I think by not being able to participate in the election, we missed a lot." But Barry Clemons, 9, did not feel the same way, "It really does not make any difference to me," he said.

Making the change from junior high to high school was a big sacrifice for the freshmen; they handled it well.





Anthony Perkins
 Evadean Peters
 Carole Pierce
 Mike Podraza
 Andrea Poisner
 Lisa Pollard
 Scott Ponick

Kristy Porter
 Tony Ramirez
 Tiffany Rawlings
 Kim Ray
 Robyn Rea
 Susan Rector
 Jeff Reimer

Mark Rennau
 Andrea Riggs
 Rusty Riley
 Deidre Rogers
 Kim Romi
 Jill Rose
 Jennifer Roudebush

Julie Rubins
 Leanne Russell
 Jeff Saper
 Jeff Satz
 Sam Schanker
 Teresa Schultz
 Debbie Schwaneke

Bryan Shaffer
 Zack Shafran
 Mark Sharbel
 Brian Shea
 Lisa Shiflet
 Anita Siemon
 Allen Skinner

Todd Sloan

Clint Slusher

Jacki Smart

FRESHMEN



Freshmen Claudia White, Jennifer Bahr, and Suzi Meyer smile after a hard practice.

New electronic games challenge a growing addictive cult

As he wound up for the game, his eyes grew small, his muscles tensed, and he began to perspire. As the game progressed, he began to look more and more like a raving lunatic, and he seemed to love every minute of it.

"The lights and sounds kind of pull you into the game," claimed John Bowles, 9, a frequent player of today's electronic marvels.

In a survey of Center students, over 80% claimed that they regularly played electronic games. Although home units continued to grow in popularity, the most dramatic changes took place outside of the home.

Many would call Space Invaders the first "craze" game to appear around the country. Although several years old, it proved still to have a strong edge in popularity over its closest competition, a similar space adventure game called Asteroids.

Space Invaders, however, has ceased production, its maker placing its faith in a newer model called Galaxian. These games all pit the player in a space battle in which he must fire missiles to protect himself from an advancing force. The machines also generally require a little practice before one becomes successful at them, since advancement has resulted in greater complexity. Many other games share these characteristics, such as Rip-Off, Breakout, Lunar Lander, Sky Raider, and Starhawk.

Many seemed unable to resist these alluring devices, spending night after night in run-down arcades, feeding their life savings into a box for a few moments of simulated adventure. Perhaps it was just like any other addiction, but with new games popping up all over the country, the cure may be a long time in coming.



Chris Smith
Chris Smith
Terri Smith
Tina Smith
Tom Smith



Tonya Smith
Cheryl Snapp
Chandra Snow
Randy Soltz
Joe Sprofera



Sally Stafford
Susan Stinnett
John Stone
Steve Stovall
David Stroud



Penny Sumler
Mark Talley



FRESHMEN NOT PICTURED

Mark Bennett	Jerry Moore
Liane Coleman	Mark Shobe
Kim Evans	Danny Story
Pete Lombardo	

Sporting a grin, John Bowles, 9, relaxes after destroying another alien craft.





Mike Levin, 9, coaches Mike Dierks, 9, on how to stop the advance of space invaders.



Kelly Tarpley
Missy Thornton
Lee Ann Totty



Tricia Triplett
Mary Beth Tritt
Oleg Tupikin



Jo Vanbecelaere
Bill Viles
Sam Walsh



Micki Watson
Loretta Wayman
Carla Faye Webb
Tracy Webb



Anjanette Weiss
David Welsh
Marla Wesley
Pam Whiles



Claudia White
Jackie White
Matt Wilhelm
Mendy Wilson



Sim Winitz
Brent Winner
Karla Winterowd
Bobby Wolf



Susan Wolf
Corban Woods
Kim Worth
Sherri Young

FRESHMEN

Dr. Kallem works diligently on a State Vocational Education questionnaire.

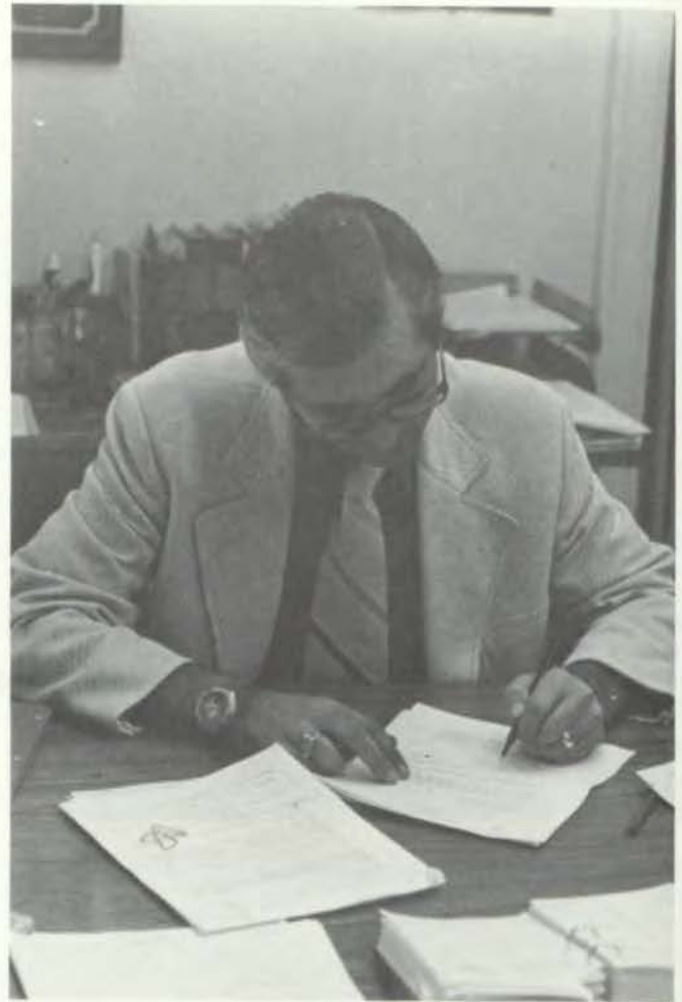
Dr. Ronald Gray—Assistant Superintendent—Administration
Dr. Joel Kallem—Assistant Superintendent—Instruction



Dr. Howard Heidbrink—Director of Business Services
Dr. Robert O'Neill—Supervisor—Art Education



Mrs. Cynthia Ross—Supervisor—Food Services
Dr. Walter Swanson—Superintendent of Schools



Well-received Superintendent faces challenge of district financial problems

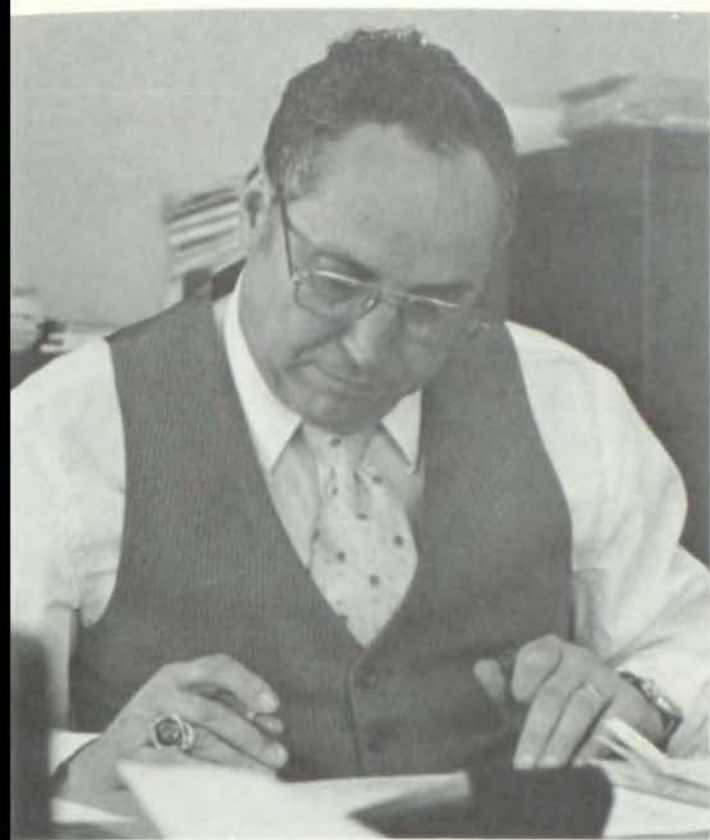
"I think Dr. Swanson is an inspiring leader with a sincere concern for people. This spirit is contagious to all of us in the district. He is a quality man for the '80's," commented Mrs. Marian Mitchell, Reading Specialist. Kelly Tedlock, Junior, said, "At the leadership conference he seemed very enthusiastic, like he wanted to be involved with the students and with what was going on." "I am pleasantly pleased with Dr. Swanson and am especially interested in the fact that he takes an interest in the library," added Mrs. Pat Massey, Librarian.

Compliments came from students and teachers alike when asked how they felt about the new Superintendent, Dr. Walter L. Swanson. He came to Center after teaching for several years, serving in Vietnam, and working in Liberty as an Assistant Principal and as Assistant Superintendent of Instruction and Personnel. He said that he decided on Center because of its fine reputation, teaching staff, community, and its educational excellence.

One of Dr. Swanson's main concerns was the financial plight of the district, which forced the reorganization of the district last year. "We will have to have more revenue or cut out some programs," he said.

The Board and Administration discussed this issue at its October meeting. Board member, Mr. Rebman, attended the State Department of Education's Regional Conference of Finance. "I was disappointed with the political makeup of the conference, there was no give and take," he said. Dr. Heidebrink, Director of Business Services, remarked, "Reassessment is not going to give our District one penny more" When asked why the district had these financial problems, Dr. Swanson explained that it received 22% of its budget from the state, while the state average was 53%. He cited high incomes of the families in the area and the low amount of tax money pulled in as reasons for the low state aid. "The state has no sympathy for us financially," he commented during the meeting.

Although things looked grim, Dr. Swanson said that he was convinced that the financial problems could be solved and the high quality of the schools could be maintained. The staff and student body expressed their confidence in him wholeheartedly. "I think he is a very intelligent, professional, and dynamic leader," said Mr. Ben Neal Vice-Principal. "He has made some very positive strides for our district this year," stated Mr. Chet Landes, Language Arts Department Chairman.



Working on achievement test results, Mr. Robert Clark, Director of Elementary Education, concentrates at his desk.

Before the October meeting, the Board stands around the conference table ready to begin.



Mr. Wm. B. Brandt—
Board member
Mrs. Sandra D. Kauffman—
Board President.



Mr. Robert Kessler—
Board Member
Dr. Michael Miller—
Board Vice-President.



Mr. George Rebman—
Board Member
Mr. Donald Slyter—
Board Member.

Dr. Swanson offers candy to Jannie Sherry.

Mr. Gene Banaka—
Principal
Dr. Patrick G. Beckner—
Vice-Principal

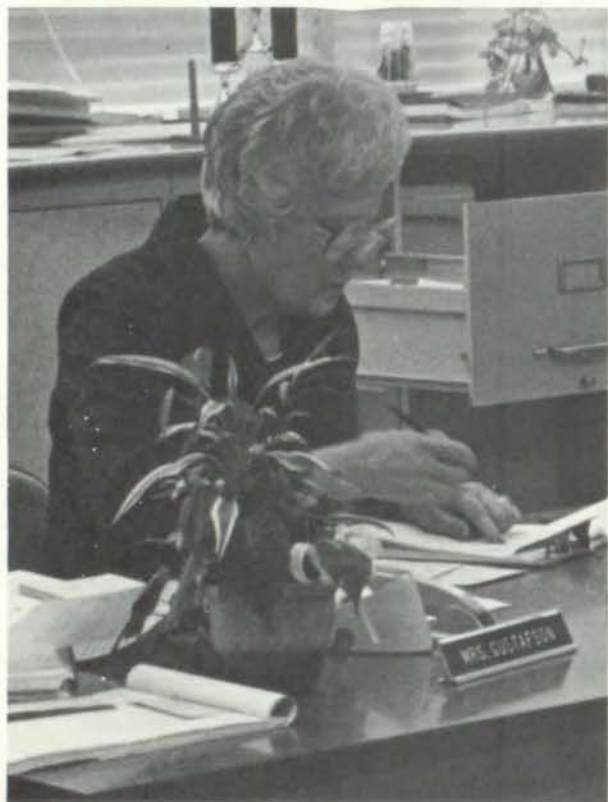


Mr. Ben Neal—
Vice-Principal
Mr. Ernie Paris—
Vice-Principal



TOP: Mr. Neal calls Charles Johns, 10, into his office for a conference.

RIGHT: Mrs. Moys refers a late-coming student to the sign-in sheet.



ABOVE: Checking names off her list, Mrs. Gustafson works to prepare the attendance sheet.

RIGHT: Seniors Jeff Lawrence and David Reed observe Halloween in monster attire.



Changes in office slant toward establishing improvements in communication

This year the office has shown many similarities to years past, but many changes have taken place as well.

"It is important that everything is out in the open," stated Mr. Banaka, "It's always better to communicate before rumors come about." He therefore scheduled faculty meetings once a month, a few days after the monthly board meeting held every third Monday.

"It's important to meet in large as well as small groups," emphasized Mr. Banaka; "People should have the opportunity to ask questions." Last year's staff met only two or three times. This year's faculty apparently felt that greater communication yielded greater efficiency.

The school appointed an additional Vice-Principal, Mr. Ben Neal. Formerly with Center North, Mr. Neal felt he performed basically the same duties as he did there, but on a much larger scale. Although his main duties involved student discipline, he also handled textbook inventory and staff evaluation.

"It is my intention to motivate, stimulate, and encourage teachers to meet the needs and requirements of as many students as we possibly can," he stated.

"I would like to turn the negative to positive," he continued, "to help kids who are having problems to get something out of what they are doing here."



Mrs. Doris Gustafson—
Attendance Secretary
Ms. Marilyn Hamilton—
Guidance Secretary



Mrs. Betty Moys—
Financial Secretary
Mrs. Kathy Schroeder—
Principals' Secretary



Mrs. Margaret Butler—
Instructional Secretary
Mrs. Kent E. Milliron—
Instructional Secretary



Miss Michelle Wiley—
Instructional Secretary



ABOVE: Enjoying time off from her work in the office, Kym Beggs, 12, chats on the phone.

LEFT: Office aides Jeff Mann, 12, and Sharon Hellman, 12, concentrate on their duties.

BELOW: Counselor, Mr. George Tollefson, spends morning hours helping students.

RIGHT: A face of bewilderment is portrayed by counselor, Alice Meacham.



Louise Frohlichstein—
Counselor



Alice Meacham—
Counselor



Gene Propp—
Counselor



George Tollefson—
Counselor



BOTTOM: Newest counselor, Louise Frohlichstein, helps Linda Allen, 11, with her schedule.



Nurse's aide Julie Elsea, 12, helps out this year's new nurse, Jane Parks.



Dave Starchevich—
Librarian



Pat Massey—
Librarian



Janet Parks—
Nurse



Jane Smith—
Accompanist



Marsha Ginson, 11, asks Dave Starchevich for assistance.

Nurse, counselors, librarians make adjustments to the four-year high school.

The four-year high school this year has meant changes made in all of the departments. When Mr. George Tollefson, counselor, was asked about the change, he replied, "I am really busy this year but not too busy for anyone who comes to me looking for advice on college, vocational programs, and even personal problems." Mr. Tollefson also commented that he saw an advantage in having the freshmen at the high school, "It enables me to get information to them a lot sooner than in previous years, this should boost enrollment in VoTech school."

"I enjoy being a part of the four year high school, and I'm glad all the students have access to one of the best equipped libraries in the district," stated Mrs. Massey, librarian. She worked at Center South last year.

Mrs. Jane Parks was this year's new nurse, but was not new to the district; she split her time between North and South Junior Highs last year. "I really like the variety of working with students, and the four year high school gives me more things to do."

Hard-working service crew pull through complications with positive attitudes

Every night, as the students slept soundly, the custodians toiled away the hours. Twenty-four hours a day they devoted their services to the school. Each morning at 6 a.m. sharp, the custodians began their chores. Raising the flag, checking the clocks, and filling the pop machines composed their daily routines. "Our service people have done a super job in the past, but currently, while dealing with the increased number of kids, they've really been outstanding," commented Mr. Banaka. For instance, when a portion of the incinerator collapsed, the custodians promptly began planning its repair. Early in August they came to work to find that 22 feet of the flue had collapsed. Six weeks later when the parts arrived, they began the three-day repair job. A whole new chute had to be added, costing the school district nearly \$7,000.

Various other mishaps marred this year. Vandalism was a recurring problem. Most of the trouble seemed to lie in broken windows. Someone even went as far as throwing a bowling ball through one of the front doors. As a result of further vandalism, at one time, the boys' first floor restroom had to be closed due to a broken sink.

As well as the custodians, the bus drivers also experienced difficulties. Leaking fluids, flat tires, and faulty gears and brakes contributed to their problems. Minor traffic accidents also added to their conflicts.

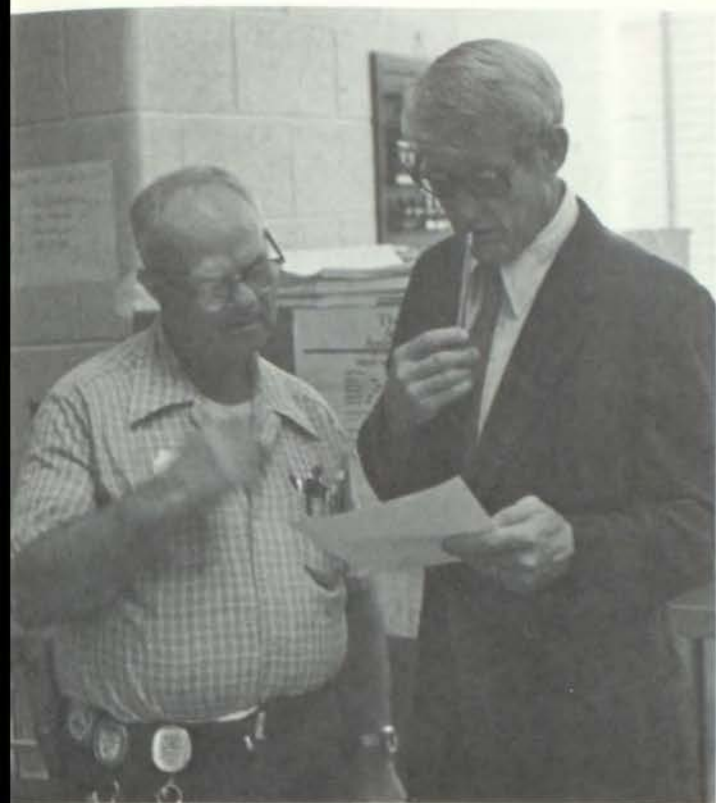
Despite the problems, service people kept positive attitudes. Most of them seemed to enjoy their work thoroughly. The head custodian, Clarence Milliron, stated, "The pleasure of being around the students and helping people makes my job worthwhile."



Cafeteria personnel display daily routine that lies behind every lunch.

BUS DRIVERS—Will Wiggins, Pat Eddleman, Sue Clevenger, Opal Sprat, Paul Barnes, Steve Wulff, Pat Weller, Lea Whitaker, Margaret Lopez, Marguerite Dunbar, Shirley Sabaugh, Jack Jones, Vince Estevez.





Deep in concentration, Mr. Banaka and head custodian, Clarence Milliron, discuss an urgent matter.

CUSTODIANS—Clarence Milliron, Wilbur Chambers, and Amy Chambers; Not Pictured: Richard Cauthon, Saul Davis, Richard Gish, Larry Gray, William Holloway, Charles Long, Allen Pettis, Ronald Walton.



Working carefully, Velora Ray prepares carrot sticks for the day's lunch.

In Geometry class Scott Totty shows the class how to solve a problem.

Mrs. Ana M. Byrd—Algebra I, Elementary Algebra B.

Mr. Michael Demarea—Algebra II and Trigonometry, Elementary Algebra B; Assistant Football Coach, Assistant Track Coach.



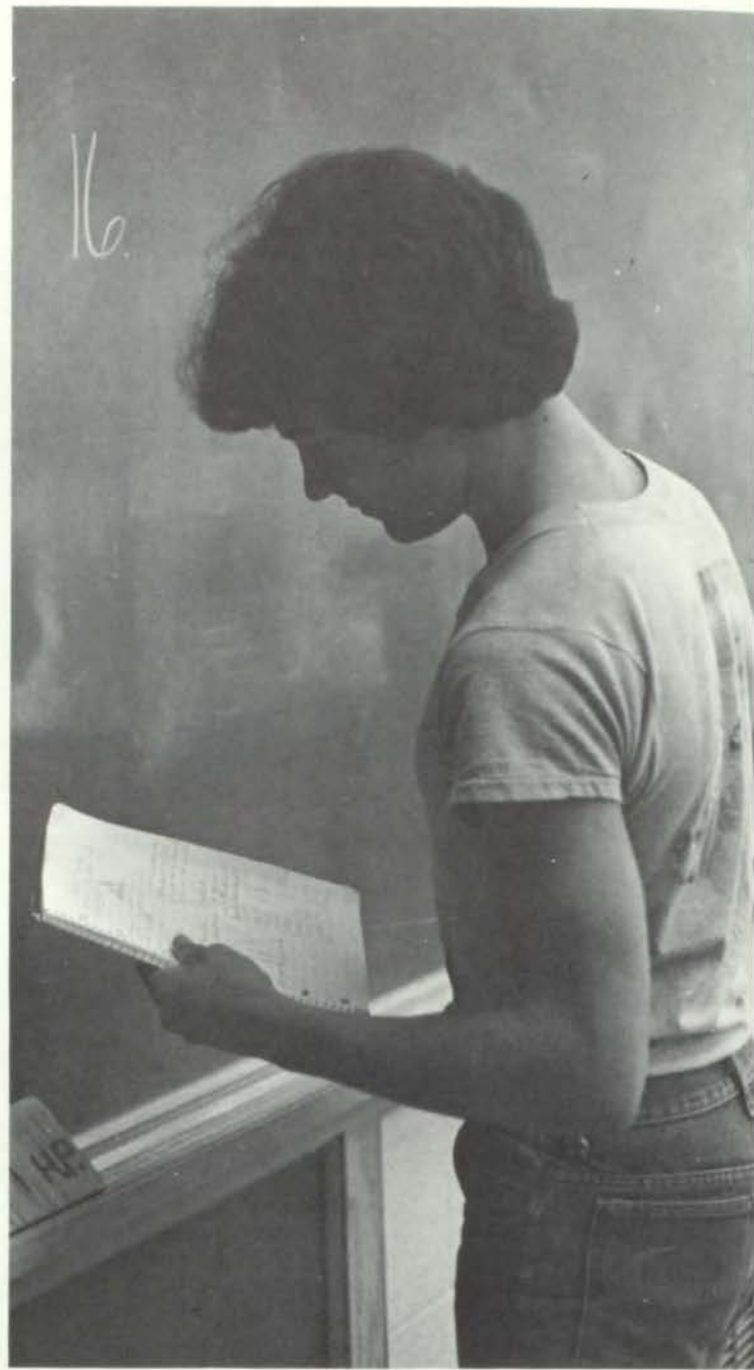
Mr. Emery Henley—Aeronautics, Algebra I, Applied Math I, Geometry.

Mr. M. R. Rabuse—Applied Math II, Geometry, Math Analysis, Statistics; Assistant Track Coach, Cross Country Coach.

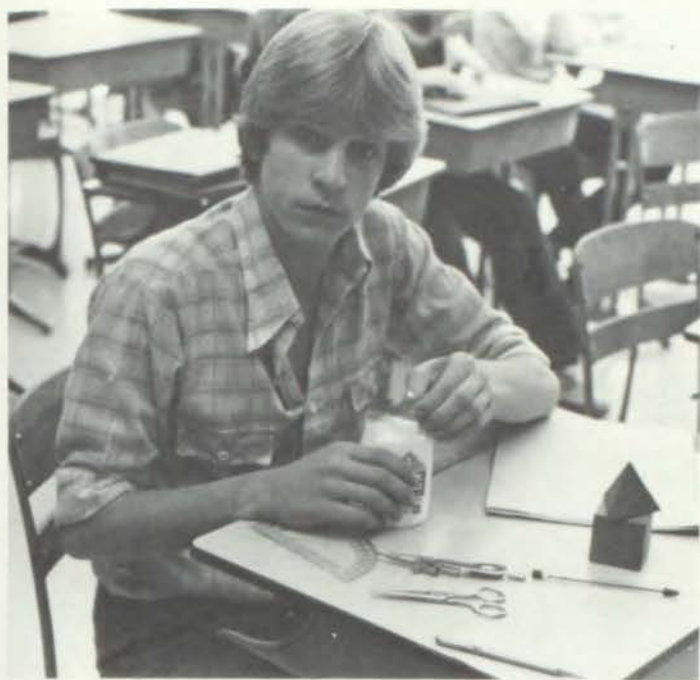


ABOVE: After the lecture Randy Collins demonstrates his studious habits.

RIGHT: While listening to the answer in Algebra II, Jack Lambert, 11, compares his work.



As he works on his geometrical solids, David Boyles looks up.



Mrs. Marjorie Reading—Algebra II and Trigonometry, Analytic Geometry, Calculus.



Mr. Ted L. Wills—Functional Math, Geometry.
Mrs. Marge Worthy—Elementary Algebra A, Geometry.



LEFT: After class Mrs. Reading helps Cheryl Ingalls with her homework.

BELOW: Mr. Rabuse demonstrates some useful geometry skills to Mia Allred.



Math department decides to improve curriculum, resources, objectives

Improvement of curriculum and resources marked one of the goals of the Math department. The department's budget of \$560 provided the money for the materials.

The department considered the use of a computer system within a few years. Most students thought it would make math more interesting. Dr. Pat Beckner stated, "We'll use the computer to demonstrate math concepts."

"I would like to see us find some better text books and audio-visual aids for the Math department," commented Mr. Rabuse.

Mrs. Reading, head of the department, sold C.R.C. Handbooks to students who wished to buy them and invited speakers to seminars. These new resources helped students learn and made it easier for teachers to present their material to the students.

Mrs. Reading entered students who were outstanding and interested in math in math competitions. "The competition will make math more exciting and give students a chance to compare themselves to students in other schools," concluded Mrs. Reading.

RIGHT: Dissecting a pig's heart Mr. Ken Angell helps David Tritt, 12.

Mr. Ken Angell—Anatomy and Physiology, BioChemistry, Biology, Horticulture.

Mr. Bob Brillhart—Physical Science.



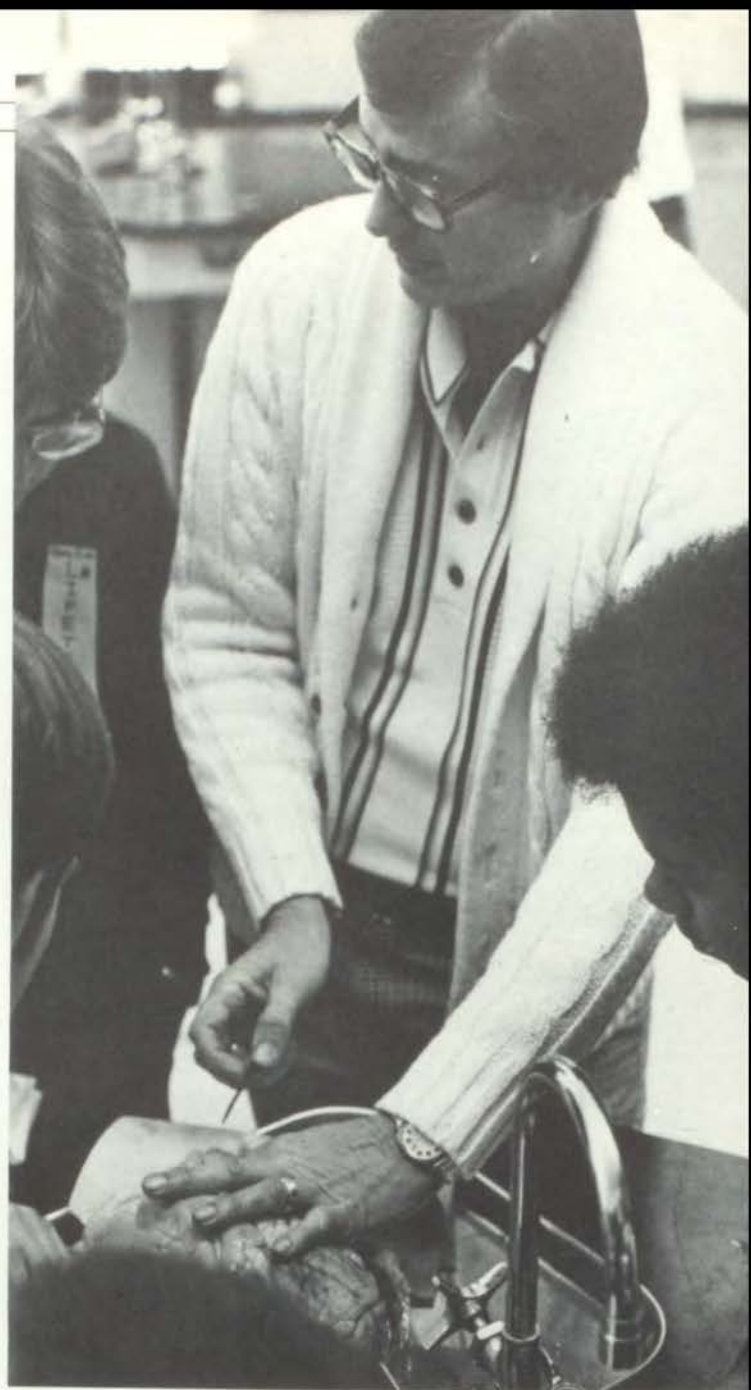
Mr. Ted Dresie—Basic Chemistry, Chem Study I, II and III, Chemistry and Environment, General Physics.

Mrs. Annette Howk—Physical Science.



Mrs. Diane Liebman—Biology, Horticulture.

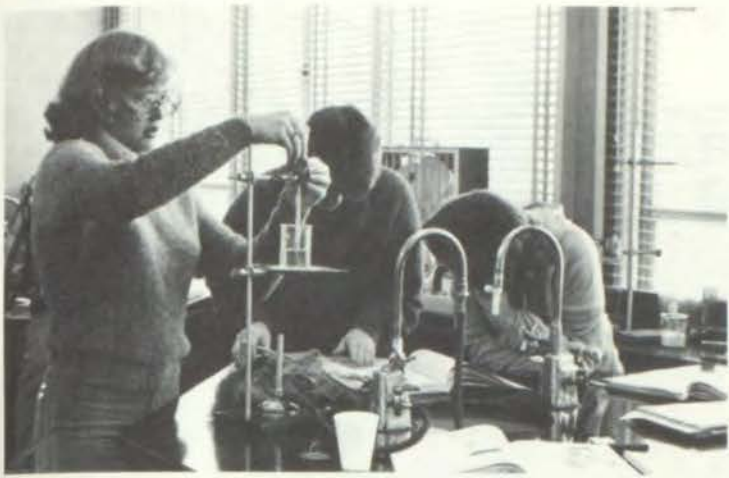
Mrs. Betty Little—Human Growth and Development, Biology.



RIGHT: Circular Motion serves as the topic between Jon Koncak, 12, and Mr. Ted Dresie.

BELOW: Mrs. Howk's ninth Grade Science class discovers the mysteries of H₂O.





LEFT: Figuring out their lab experiment Della Heidbrink, 9, and Kim Romi, 9, concentrate on measurements.

BELOW: Lorie Leahy, 12, sacrifices herself for a blood test administered by David Tritt, 12.



ABOVE: Separating pigment in chlorophyll, Mrs. Betty Little demonstrates in Biology class.

Changes in Science Department cause problems in class scheduling and size

Sharp increases in students enrolled in science courses this year caused over-crowding and schedule conflicts for many. Mr. Dresie stated, "The classroom is busier than last year and this created less time for the students to work during homeroom and my planning period." Although the same classes were offered to students, the hours in which the classes were taught were drastically cut to accommodate the freshmen and their need for lab space. Anatomy and Physiology was one of the classes cut to only one hour, fourth, due to lack of lab space. "I really enjoy teaching Anatomy and Physiology; it's a shame it is only offered one hour," commented Mr. Ken Angell. Many seniors have been disappointed hoping to take the class as a preparatory class for college. It has also been stated that Chemistry I and II will not be offered next year, and then Chemistry III will not be offered in 1982.

Because of the scheduling problems, teachers came up with several ideas about what could be done to improve the science department. "I would like to see more offerings in science courses for the ninth graders," commented Mrs. Leibman. Mrs. Little stated, "I would like to see more courses offered for both the gifted student and the student who does not plan to choose a field of science as a career. I would like to see the students have more time and space for labs in Horticulture, Biology, Anatomy, and Chemistry." Mrs. Howk also commented on improvements in the science department, "I would like to see more varied offerings, but I know that is difficult with the students' schedules.

When each of the teachers was asked what classes they recommend for the underclassmen to prepare them for college, they responded, Chemistry, Physics, Math, and a lot of English.

RIGHT: Students gather around overhead projector for a discussion in Mr. Trout's social studies class.



ABOVE: Dawn Williams and Joe Allen help Mr. Creasy with a psychology experiment.

RIGHT: Richard Bolling speaks to Political Parties classes before his re-election.



Unique games, field trips, debates, simulations, enhance students' educations

Strange Neanderthal tribes inhabited a classroom; tanks bombarded one another; and students explored Forrest Hill Cemetery. All of these incidents involved unique learning situations devised by social studies teachers. The Neanderthals of Mr. Tom Grow's Early Western Civilization classes learned the circumstances of survival of their ancestors. The tanks of Mr. Bob Bessenbacher's classes taught students to keep up with current events. The cemetery explorers searched for graves of Civil War heroes. "We take the field trips to add to the students' understanding of the Civil War and to make it seem more real," remarked Mrs. Joyce Cox.

Other social studies activities included Mr. Forest Arnall's telling of true Family Relations stories to his classes, student taking part in debates in Early Western Civilization classes, field trips to the Federal Reserve Bank and Thomas Hart Benton's home in Prosperity and Depression, and students volunteering to work on campaigns for Political Parties classes. Other special learning techniques included the playing of the current events game, News Scope; and students conducting many experiments in Psychology classes. "The psychology experiments helped me to better understand all of the concepts and theories," stated Gigi Touslee, 12.



Mr. Forest Arnall—Family Relations; Boys' track coach.

Mr. Robert D. Bessenbacher—Peace and War, Constitutional Development, Family Relations; Varsity basketball coach.

Mrs. Joyce Cox—Prosperity and Depression, Political Parties, Civil War, International Relations; Co-sponsor of Political Science Club.

Mr. Dan Creasy—Constitutional Development, Sociology, Psychology; Key Club sponsor.

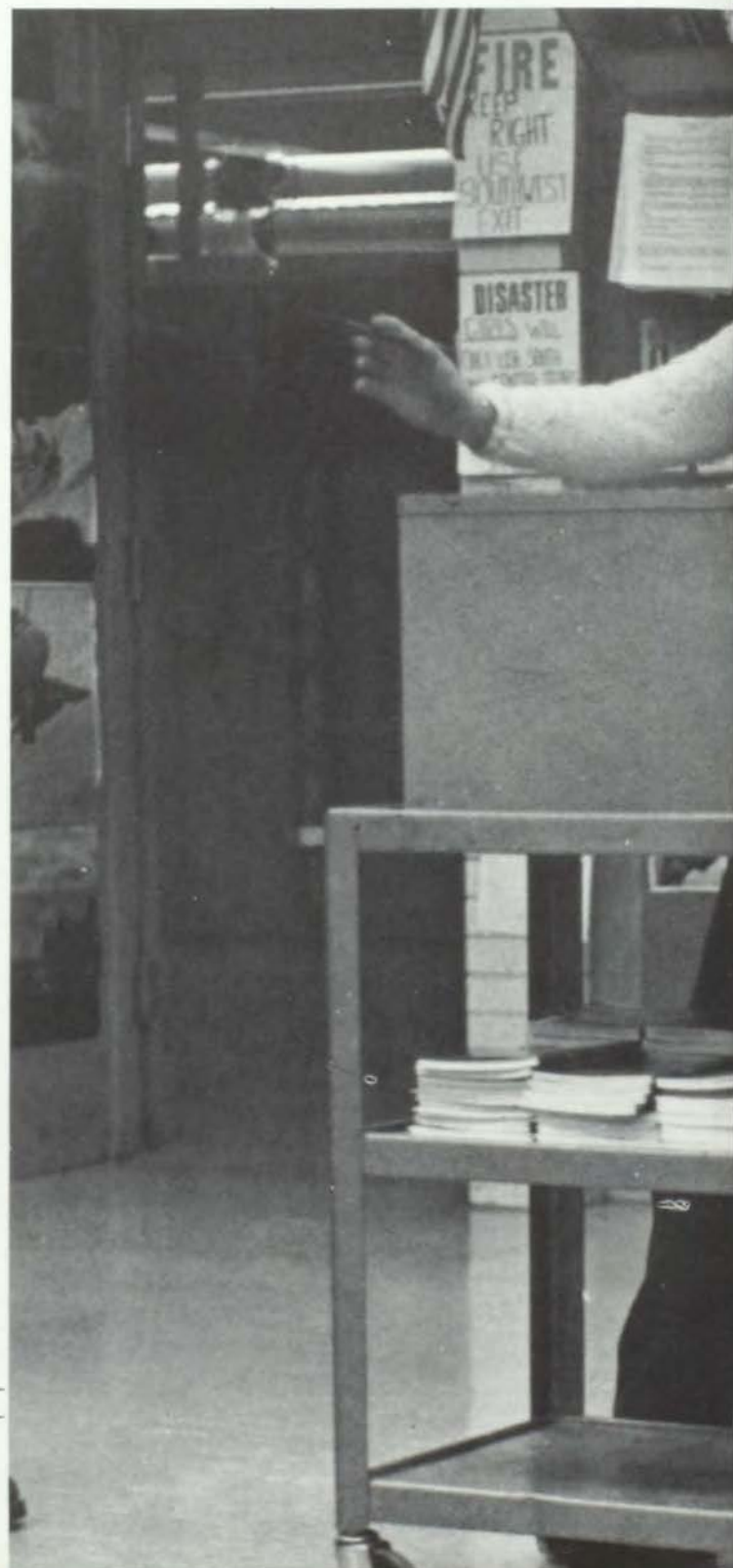


ABOVE LEFT: Taking notes at a leadership conference, Patsy Tavernaro, and Gregg Peters listen to the speaker.

LEFT: Students gather around Mr. Grow to receive loans during the simulation, "Land, Castles, and Blood."

RIGHT: Eating in Prosperity and Depression, Mike Mahoney, 12, and Reda Bloomberg, 11, enjoy their food.

BELOW: Robyn Rea pushes Linda O'Renck on a tricycle during a skit for Mrs. Wommack's social studies class.



Mr. Tom Grow – Social Studies Chairman; Early Western Civilization, Constitutional Development, Community Resources; Boys' and Girls' tennis coach.

Mr. William Merryman – Social Science, Language Arts.



RIGHT: Reading the questions to the class, Kathleen Murray, 12, leads students in the Tank Game.

Rewards teachers receive from students leave them satisfied with their jobs

Some students talked while the teacher lectured; others worked on homework; and others daydreamed or doodled pictures on their notes. The social studies teachers often put up with such disturbing behavior because of the rewards they received from their better teaching experiences. The idea of what rewards they considered most valuable varied from teacher to teacher.

Some teachers felt rewarded when a student came back after finishing their class to tell them how much the class had helped. Mrs. Virginia Wommack stated, "I feel rewarded by the good vibes I get from kids who come back to tell me how they liked my class or how it helped them."

Other teachers felt their greatest reward came through seeing students learning, understanding or enjoying the class material. Mrs. Joyce Cox remarked, "I enjoy working with the students, seeing them understand history and hoping that they will be able to receive as much enjoyment from history as I do."

The exact reward social studies teachers received from teaching varied, but they all centered around helping students and trying to make them better adults. Mr. Bob Bessenbacher explained, "I like being around youth, seeing the interaction between them. The feeling of teaching is good when you know the result is a good society."



Mr. John H. Musgrave—Constitutional Development, Modern European History, U.S. Expansion, Colonial American History; Boys' swim coach.

Mr. Conrad Trout—Social Studies, 9.

Mrs. Ginny Wommack—American History, Constitutional Development, Famous Persons; Political Science Co-sponsor.



Concentrating on their chess game, Stephen Duker, 9, and Rusty Riley, 9, keep busy during Mr. Trout's homeroom.

RIGHT: Publications I students Andy Rynard, 11, Jon Kieffer, 11, and Katie Yager, 11, study the parts of a camera.



BELOW RIGHT: Mass Media students inform the class of animals used in television.

Mr. Wayne Brown—Debate, Speech I, Argumentation; NFL sponsor.



Mrs. Mary Lu Foreman—Publications I, Publications II, Composition I, Basic Language Arts III; Quill and Scroll sponsor; Yearbook advisor.



Mrs. Sue Rose Harter—Poetry, Mythology, Basic Literature, Man's Search; National Honor Society sponsor.



Mrs. Beverly Kowalczyk—Language Arts 9; Ninth grade Volleyball coach.



Mr. Chester L. Landes—Creative Writing, Drama, Technical Theater, Acting, Composition III; Players 58 sponsor.



Miss Rosemary Long—Basic Language Arts III, Speech I, Speech II, Composition I; Drill Team sponsor.



Controversy over extra grade points continues; students question necessity

"It's not fair!" exclaimed Gina Arnone, 11. "Math and Science receive extra grade points and Language Arts doesn't," she added.

Nearly eleven hundred students participated in Language Arts classes per semester. Gina, like many students, enrolled in advanced Language Arts classes. Should she have received extra points or not? Although not new, the problem of determining a course's difficulty remained. Both Chem Study and Comp. II challenged students, but the former had points, the latter didn't.

Mrs. Nancy Scott said, "The Language Arts department recommended that all grade points be dropped, but if kept they should be used in all departments."

Although some advanced classes did receive extra grade points, teachers nevertheless felt that their classes were as important as the others. However, some thought certain units prepared college bound students better than the other unit.

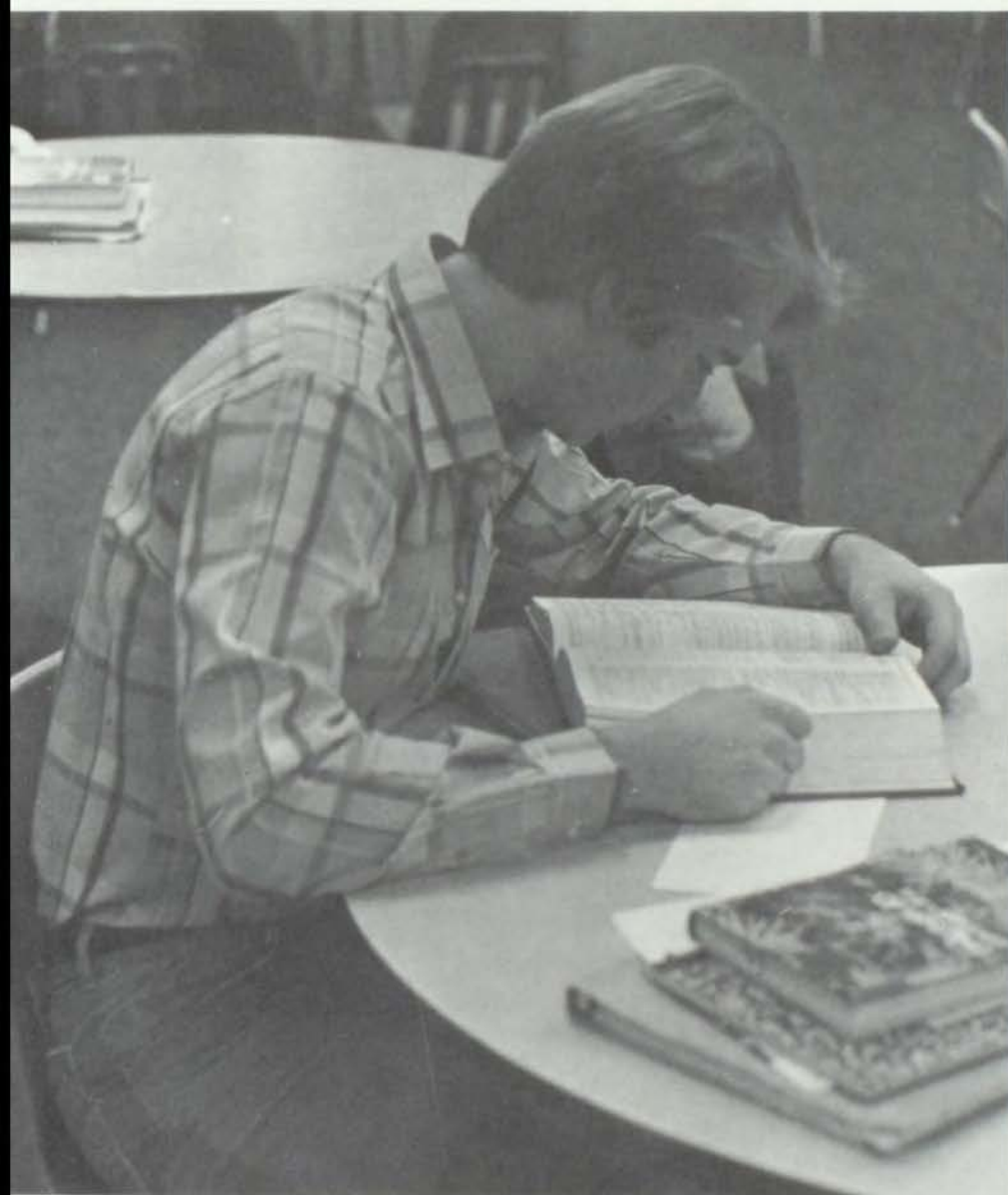
Mr. Brown felt that the "presentation of factual and persuasive material" was his most important unit. Mrs. Harter considered all units in all classes important. "I hope that it cannot be said that any one is most important. All are or I wouldn't waste my time on them," she said. However, Mrs. Scott replied, "In Composition II, the critical review and essay test units are equally important and may be more vital to college preparation than the others."



LEFT: During the Center Debate Tournament held in November, Dennis Bell, 12 and Jerry Rapp, 12, review a judge's criticisms of a debator.



ABOVE: Discussing ideas for an essay, Holly Gorrel, 10, and Denise Ferro, 11, converse in the library.



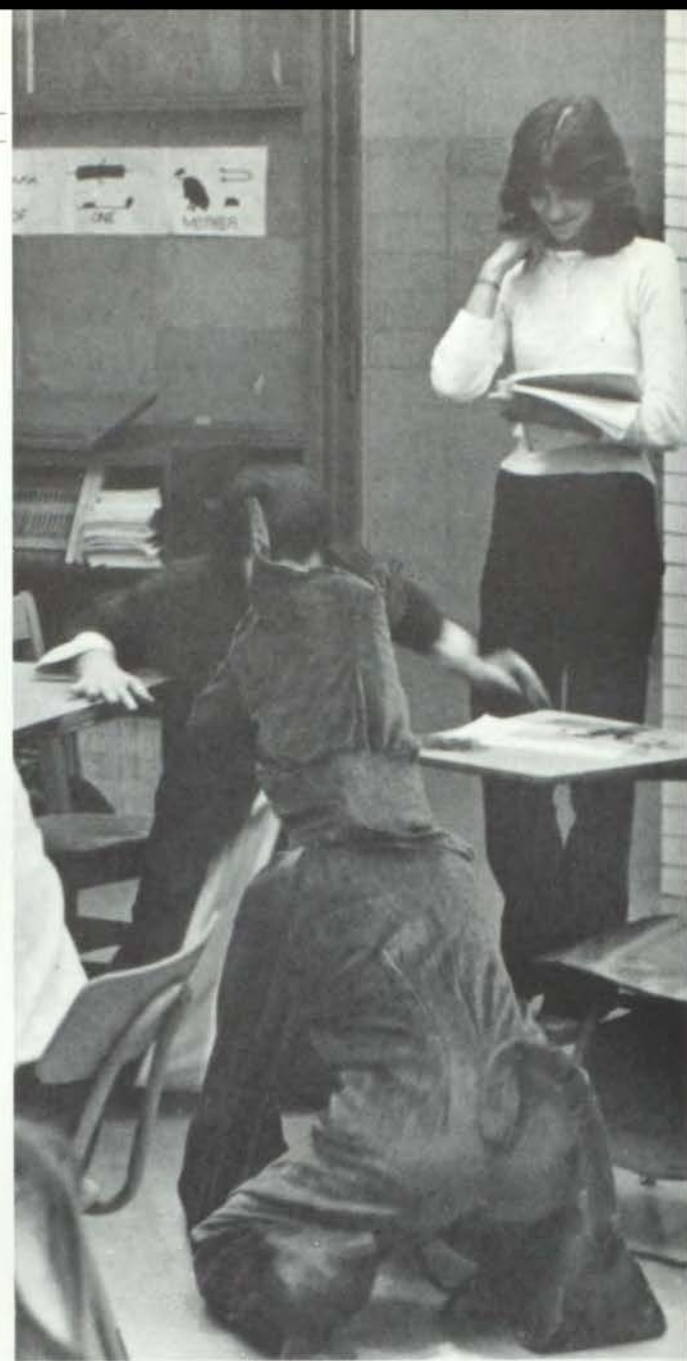
LEFT: Composition II student Gavin Seeley, 12, rummages through recent guides to periodicals for information concerning his problem-solution essay.

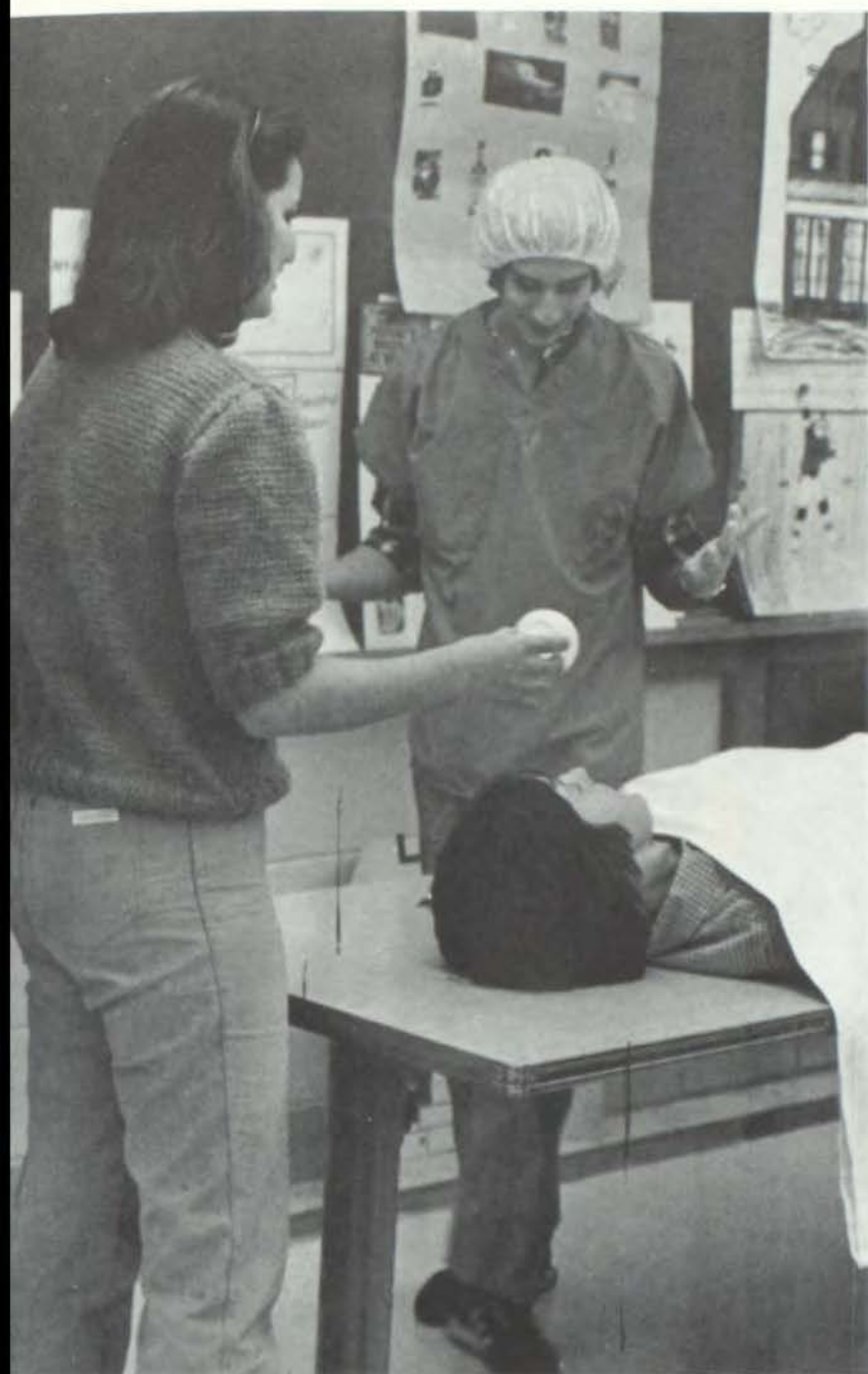
RIGHT: A student challenges Marmaduke in Mrs. Harter's Basic Literature class during the "Cartoon Character" unit.



ABOVE: Performing the rites of Druidism are Jack Brandom, 12, Caren Eisenstein, 12, Debbie Aaron, 12, and Lance, Debbie's dog.

RIGHT: In Language Arts 9, Tricia Triplett, 9, constructs her classwork carefully.





An oral book report is being performed by Jeff Reimer, 9, Kirsten Levin, 9, and Steve Flekier, 9.



Mrs. Nancy Scott—Composition I, Composition II, Mass Media, Think and Write.



Mrs. Myra K. Sifers—Grammar, Composition I, American Literature, Journalism I, Journalism II; Newspaper adviser, Quill and Scroll Sponsor.



Mrs. Bettye Tracey—Basic Literature, Science Fiction, Senior English, Bible as Literature, Shakespeare.



Mrs. Margaret Ziegelmann—Composition I, Language Arts 9.

Language arts students participate in projects; teachers use new materials

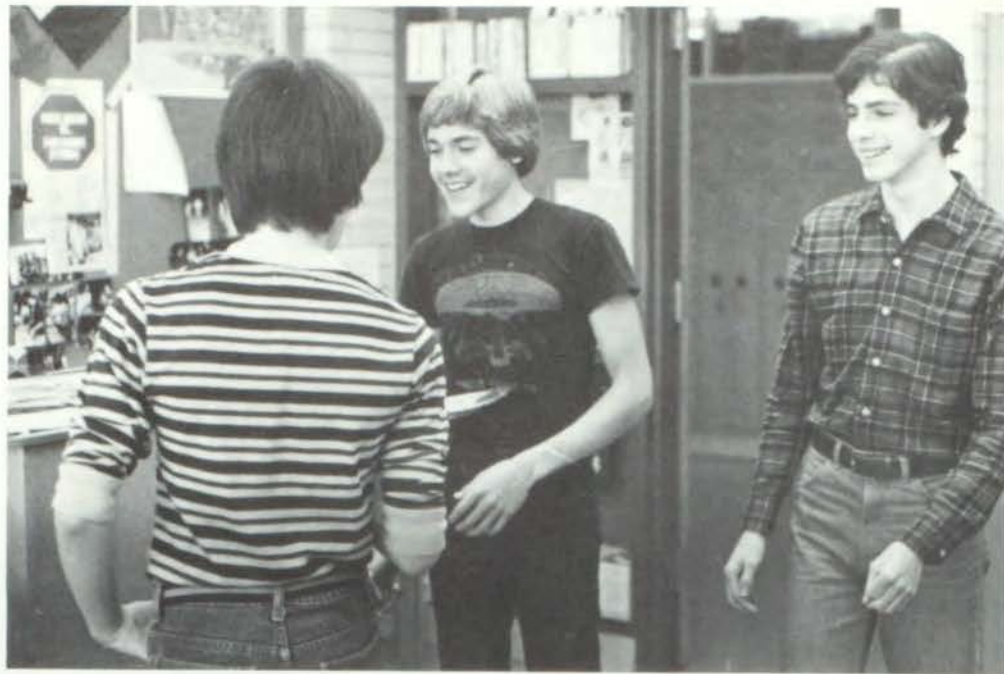
On an average, twenty to twenty-five students enrolled in each of the Language Arts teacher's classes. The teachers usually prepared a special project for each of their classes. Mrs. Kowalczyk conducted several special projects. "We do a project in connection with each major literature unit—five per year," she stated. Mrs. Harter said, "Basic Literature has a 'Hero' project, Mythology has a group mytho-culture project and a personally selected one. Poetry has a semester end project." Mr. Brown's special projects involved participation outside of school, as his projects were debate tournaments held after school and on the weekends.

Mr. Landes' projects included the class literature magazine

in his Creative Writing class, the Reader's Theater, a contest for acts, and mainstage productions in his Acting course.

Mrs. Sifers felt that the enthusiasm of her classes rebounded off of her attitude. "I am mostly energetic! I believe the students generally reflect a teacher's attitude," she stated. Mrs. Kowalczyk commented, "Most students are energetic. Many are happy to see that they are learning and being challenged."

Mr. Brown incorporated new materials into his curriculum, such as new tapes of speeches, and material on style. Mrs. Foreman used individualized books in Basic Language Arts III.



RIGHT: In class, David Lowenthal, 10, Tony Hallaba, 11, and Robby Sacks, 11, perform a skit.

BELOW: Debbie Viani, Denise Johnson, Olivia Myers, and Mark Cheshier work on a piñata.



Mrs. Claudette Bartle — German; German Club Sponsor.

Mrs. Ruth Paulsen — French I, II, III, IV; French Club Sponsor.



MIDDLE: Working on a skit are sophomores Allison Bell and Phil Scaglia.

RIGHT: In French, Sara Levy, 10, and Barbara Randall, 10, act out a scene in a restaurant.



Foreign language classes become more interesting with culture initiation

Talking to friends in a large group in front of a university is cause for an arrest? In France it could happen. In foreign language classes students learned about culture as well as language.

The Foreign Language department provided students with an opportunity to learn French, Spanish, and German. "I really enjoyed my French class," senior Stacy Talpers stated. "My only regret is getting such a late start."

Different methods of teaching the classes made them fun and more interesting. Having dialogues and conversations with classmates, singing songs, playing games, using tapes and filmstrips included some of the ways. As the students reached the more advanced levels of the language, they became more involved. Spanish IV did a research project and narrated a film. Since the students already knew a great deal of the language in the Spanish IV class, they worked on learning the history and culture of Spanish speaking countries. They also devoted some time learning about different painters' lives during the classic period.

"I like learning about the culture," Raquel Avila, 11, said, "I also feel that a second language is very important to learn."

"Knowing the language helped me when I traveled," Debbie Viani, 12, stated; "While I went to Italy, France, and other surrounding countries, I talked to the native people and got a real taste of their way of life."

Traveling to other countries could be arranged by journeying there as a foreign exchange student. Many felt the price exceeded their budget or didn't want to be away from home for so long. Others felt the choice of adopting one of the exchange students to live with them fit their needs better. "I would have liked to live in another country for awhile but I found out about it too late. I think it would be a good opportunity for everyone," Senior Lorie Leahy said.

Another way the students learned was by writing to a pen pal. They furthered their knowledge with tidbits of news from their new friend. "I have pen pals from Germany and France," Susan Stinnett, 9, said. "I enjoy reading what they have to say."

Students who took a foreign language felt that it benefited them in many ways. Debbie Viani concluded, "I really feel my Spanish class helped me. I know I will use it later on in life."



Mr. William Scott—Spanish II, III, IV; Spanish Club sponsor.



Mrs. Lindenette Tratchel—Spanish I, English as a Second Language.

Raggedy Ann and Jon Wenski, 10, order dinner as they act out a skit in French.

Electives provide unique and helpful learning experiences for many students

Mouth-watering aromas saturated the hallways throughout the year. The tempting scents came from the varied dishes created by students enrolled in the foods courses. Melanie White, 12, replied, "Learning to cook is a lot of fun, but eating is the greatest part about Foods II."

While the Foods' students were busy learning how to master the art of cooking, other Home Economic students perfected their seamstress techniques and learned how to care properly for babies and furnish homes. "I think House and Home Furnishings is one of the most important classes because it prepares you for the future," expressed Debbie Viani, 12.

For many students Driver Education provided their first and only pre-license driving experience. Tonya Mayes, 10, explained, "I don't know what I would do without the class because my parents are too nervous to teach me." Commenting on her first experience behind the wheel, Sandy Stern, 11, replied, "I was scared stiff and I felt very, very inexperienced."

The course consisted of four phases: in class study time, simulations, demonstrations, and behind-the-wheel training. James White, 11, commented, "The only part I don't really like about the class is not being able to study at home for the tests, but the rest is great."

Mr. Ted K. Holmes, III—Driver Education; Auditorium Coordinator; Track Officials Sponsor; Athletic Timer and Scorer.



Mr. David T. Purviance—Driver Education, Physical Education; Football, Wrestling, Coach.



ABOVE: In clothing class Mrs. Foster assists Shelly Hayes, 12, with her layout.

RIGHT: In Driver Education students practice parallel parking.





Mindy Huling, 11, carefully cuts out a pattern piece in clothing class.

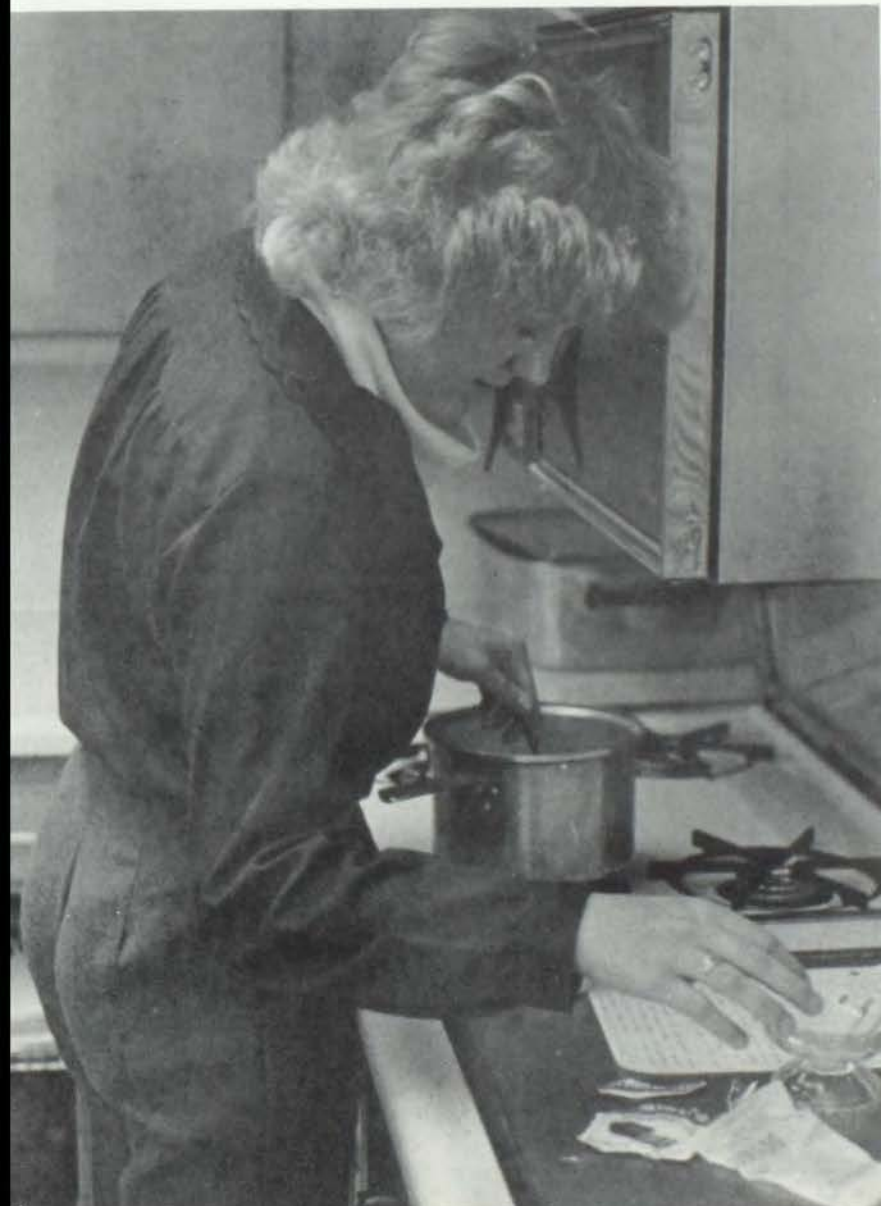


Mrs. Shirley Foster—Foods I, II, III, Housing and Home Furnishings, Clothing II.

Mrs. Virginia Ray—Foods II, Clothing I, Child Development.

Miss Janet Weston—Behavior Development, Foods I.

Mr. E. J. Wills—Driver Education; Senior Class Sponsor, Stadium Coordinator, Detention Study Hall Supervisor, Night Supervisor, Athletic Timer and Scorer.



ABOVE: Jim Kuecker, 10, carefully combines precise measurements in Foods I.

LEFT: In Foods I Beth Young, 11, prepares a tasty dish.



Shorthand student Rebecca Kauffman, 12, types her classwork.

Mrs. Diane Ballou—Data Processing, Accounting, Recordkeeping.

Mrs. Nancy Lee Fryer—Typewriting, Shorthand, Personal Typing.

Mrs. Rovina Hatcher—Accounting, Record-keeping, Business Law.



Mr. Raymond Lehr—Computer Systems.

Miss Velma Siard—Typewriting, Secretarial Practice, Personal Typing.

Mrs. Lucile Smith—Clerical Practice, Typewriting, Notehand, Office Machines.



Business teachers agree business skills extremely essential for future

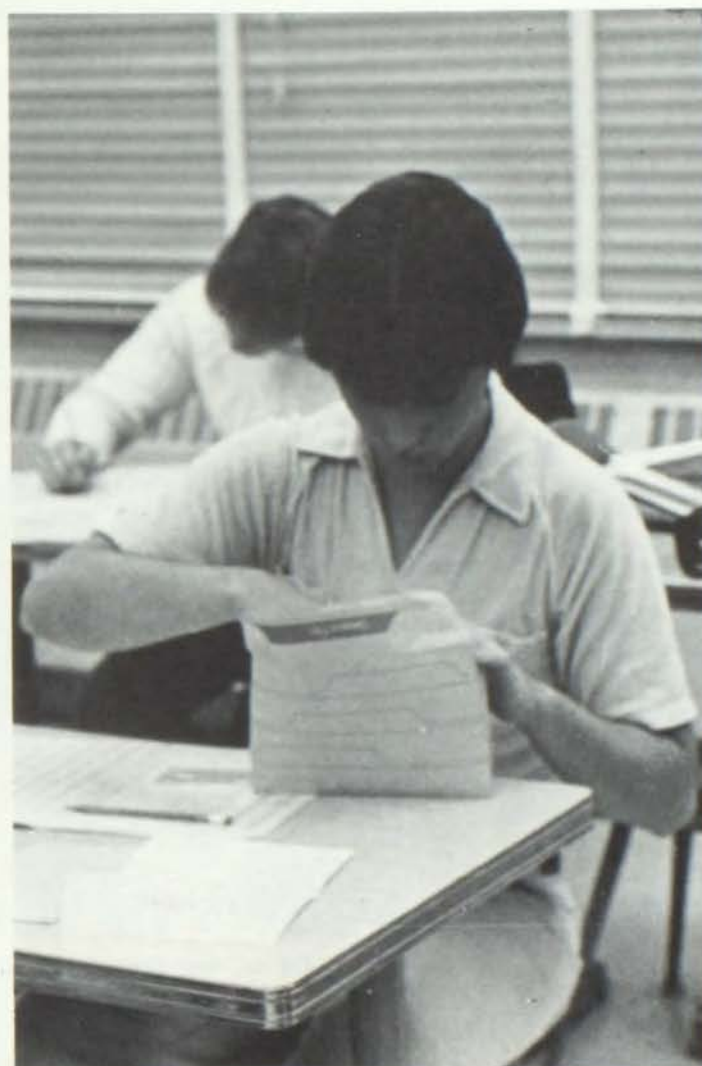
" . . . Remember that your assets equal your liabilities plus your capital . . .", "There are twelve characters to an inch on an elite typewriter." These and other statements were heard from the business classes during the course of a day. Other classes besides Accounting and Typewriting taught in the business department were Data Processing, Recordkeeping, Business Law, Shorthand, Computer Systems, Secretarial Practice, Clerical Practice, Notehand, and Office Machines. Mrs. Nancy Lee Fryer, Business teacher, reported an interesting figure. "An estimated 80% of the student body enrolled in at least two business classes," she said.

Mrs. Hatcher, Business teacher, felt that business skills were important to students no matter what they planned for the future. "Many business classes teach skills which can be fallen back on for employment later if necessary," she said.

Mrs. Fryer approximated a large percentage of her former students that went into a business type field. "I would say of every one hundred that say they are 'going to be doctors or lawyers,' thirty-five end up in business related fields." An estimate of the total students enrolled in all the business classes ranged from 535 to 550. This figure averaged about 100 students per business teacher.



LEFT: Checking his computer readout, Tony Leon, 12, concentrates intensely.



ABOVE: Working studiously on his Accounting project, Lynn Houston, 11, files away his business transactions.

ABOVE LEFT: Accounting students work conscientiously on their projects.



LEFT: Looking perturbed, Don Wolf, 12, searches the typing class for an answer to his question.

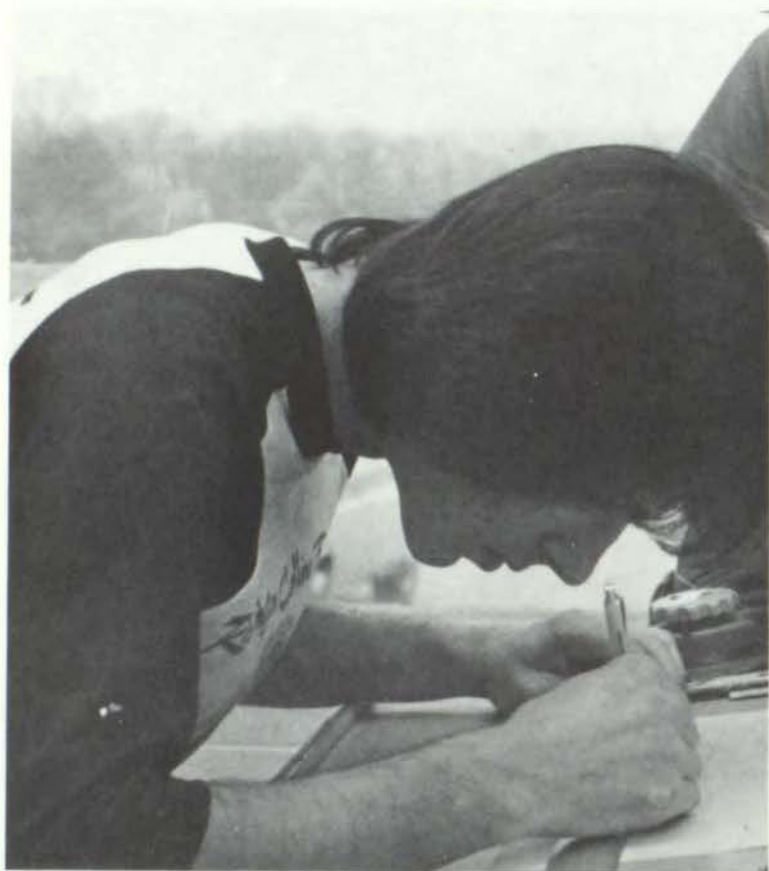
Mr. Larry Bradshaw – Graphic Arts, Printing.

Mr. B. W. Collins – Electricity, Wood Working.



Mr. Leon Lee – Power Technology, Advanced Wood, Machine Technology, General Metals.

Mr. Mackey Wilcox – Drafting I, II, Architectural Drafting, Study Hall.



ABOVE: In Drafting I, Ron Suchanek, 12, diligently works on his project.

ABOVE RIGHT: As Michelle Melson, 11, creates a new design, Andy Miller, 12, looks on.

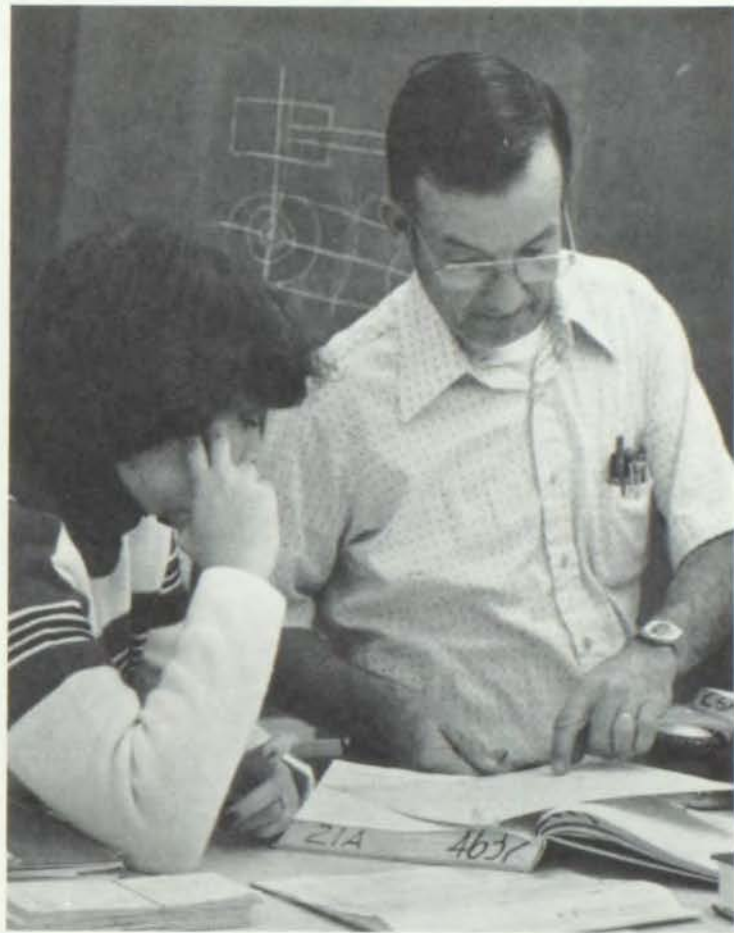
RIGHT: Jim Rebman, 11, puts the finishing touches on his project.





LEFT: Working with the wood lathe, Eddie Rogozenski, 11, strives for perfection.

BELOW: Assisting Amy Samberg, 11, Mr. Wilcox explains a drafting technique.



Teachers' dispositions contribute to popularity of Industrial Arts classes

Interesting, relaxing, and often comical atmospheres, coupled with good-natured teachers, contributed to the popularity of Industrial Arts classes. The compatible relationship that existed between Mr. Larry Bradshaw and his students added a light-hearted air to the technical art of printing. "He talks to the student on their level and he's not too strict," replied Tracie Ponick, 11. "We get things done, but he doesn't put a lot of pressure on us," added Chris Fiorella, 11. Lina Stewart, 12, explained, "Graphic Arts is a lot of fun because you learn how to do all the little things that you have always wondered how to do."

In other branches of Industrial Arts the teachers proved

just as popular with the students. Mr. Mackey Wilcox's popularity could be easily explained by his pleasant and impartial attitude. Todd Swartz, 11, replied, "He's really nice and helpful to everyone; and he doesn't play favorites among his students."

The growing enrollment of girls in Industrial Arts received a warm welcome from Mr. Wilcox. Beth Carbah, 12, explained, "Drafting is not a class for only guys anymore; Mr. Wilcox makes the girls feel right at home." Beth added, "He lets the class work at their own pace and he doesn't pressure them."

Dana Charles, 11, using watercolors and an outdoor scene, starts on a project.



Mr. John Chronister—Mixed Chorus, 9th Grade Choir, Concert Choir, Voice Production, Music Appreciation, Chamber Choir, Gentlemen Songsters, Melody Maidens.



Mr. Tom Creamer—Ceramics, Advanced Design, Design.



ABOVE: Shaping a bowl Jack Lambert, 11, concentrates on improving its form.

MIDDLE: Playing for Pep Band, Diane Young, 10, attends the first basketball game.

RIGHT: Becky Rice, 12, and Marianne Cattnach, 12, uses the jewelry grinder on a project.

Fine Arts department makes move to display student accomplishments tangibly

Whether shaping wet clay, painting landscapes, or learning to write music, students express their need to create through enrollment in one or more classes in the Fine Arts department and their activities.

The Fine Arts department made progress when trying to display tangibly the talents in each class. For example, the walls of the Media Center were covered with paintings by talented individuals; the display case showed works by ceramics and jewelry students, and the announcements were full of news of the band and choir people competing in contests. These were all signs of teachers who took an interest in their students and made efforts to make note of them.

How did students react to this sudden publicity? Most students reacted with much enthusiasm, as Brent Clemons stated, "It gave me something to work for, and it's neat for me and my friends to hear about what I did."

The teachers worked with the students to help them develop their own ideas. "I tried to make them see deeper into the music and see what it was saying; then I let them create from there," stated Mr. Shaffer. "I think creativity is a mark of maturity. I'm glad they took the time, and I like to see the different ideas they come up with," he concluded.

With these new developments, it was only the beginning of a new horizon for all.



Mrs. Jean Kesler—Jewelry I, II, Design.

Miss Sherryl Knox—Design, Painting I, II, Drawing and Watercolor, Textiles; International Club Sponsor.



Mr. Don Shaffer—Marching Band, Concert Band, Band, Theory and Harmony, Music Appreciation.

Ms. Corine Woods—Design.

Miss Sherryl Knox, strikes a pose for the class to use in their paintings.

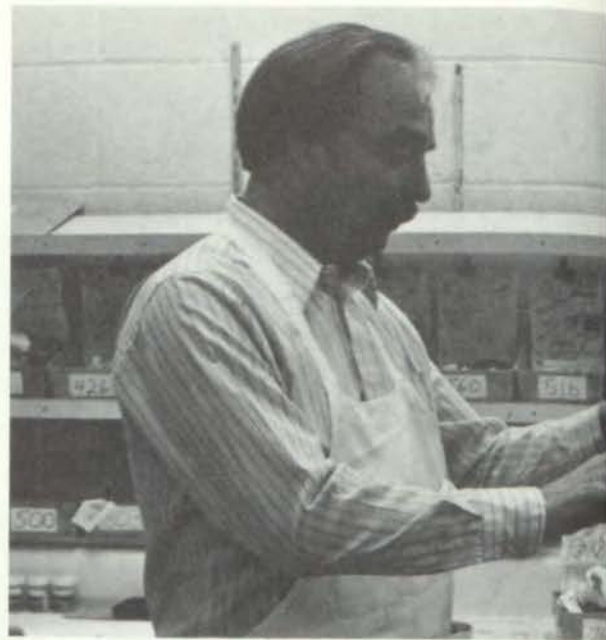
RIGHT: Melanie Schmedding, 12, asks help of Dan Root at Root Dental Labs.

BELOW: Lisa Welsh, 12, wraps a permanent for Renee Skinner, 12, in Cosmetology.



MIDDLE RIGHT: Ken Sesler, 12, operates one of many machines at W.E. Anderson Co.

RIGHT: Roy Wilson, 12, empties sauce from a mixing bowl in Food Services.





BELOW: Arnold Webb, 12, operates a process camera in his job at the Velvetex Co.



Mr. Thomas J. Coyle – Trades and Industries; Boys' Track Coach, VICA sponsor.

Mrs. Cynthia Mason – Distributive Education; DECA sponsor.

Mr. Samuel Maze – Vocational Preparation.

Vo-Tech and C.O.E. programs continue to thrive, attract variety of students

The Vo-Tech school continued to attract students in all areas of the program. Juniors and seniors accepted at Vo-Tech spent half a day at the campus in Raytown learning a vocational technical skill.

"Teacher recommendations, good attendance, pre-requisites taken, and a high aptitude are all considered in the decision of which students are to attend" stated George Tollefson, counselor and Vo-Tech representative.

Mr. Tollefson felt the addition of the freshmen positively affected the program.

"Students may now become aware earlier that the program is available," he said. plan to organize field trips for the ninth grade classes so that younger students may get a glimpse of what awaits them at the school."

"I've got students in a little bit of everything," remarked

Tom Coyle, Trade and Industrial Coordinator.

The Cooperative Occupational Education program consisted of two areas: Vocational /Industrial, sponsored by Mr. Coyle, and Distributive Educational, sponsored by Mrs. Mason.

"Our objective is to prepare the student for the world of work," stated Mr. Coyle

Melanie Schmedding, 12, found work at Root Dental Labs through the program.

"C.O.E. has allowed me to learn my skill and find the kind of job I really wanted," she said.

"The program encourages kids to further their education," stated Mr. Coyle. "Most everyone will end up doing some sort of work. C.O.E. kids are getting a jump on the rest."

RIGHT: Taking time out, Jackie Underwood, 12, pins a button on a co-worker.

BELOW: Working on an electrical kit, Derek Walker, 10, gains knowledge in wiring.



Teachers aid students in achieving goals, fulfilling needs in weak areas

"I have seen a big improvement in my students since I've helped them," Mrs. Mitchell said. Since the program started in 1974, the Resource Center has helped students who have had problems in their academic classes and in areas relating to student /teacher relationships.

The Resource Center had programs in basic education, reading, learning development, and behavioral development. If students had problems in reading to the point of affecting their class work, a learning disability in understanding or using spoken or written language, performing significantly below their peers, or inappropriate behavior in school situations, teachers or parents would recommend them for the class.

"Students are referred for specific help in basic academic or behavioral areas and the type of service is based on instructional levels and needs," Dr. Sharon Hayes commented. The program also permitted the unique differences of students to be managed without removing them permanently from their peers. The classroom teacher and the Resource Center teacher sometimes worked together to determine the expectations and goals of the student. This was done by the classroom teachers curricular materials and skills taught by the Resource Center teachers. Many students in the class said they felt that they had improved.

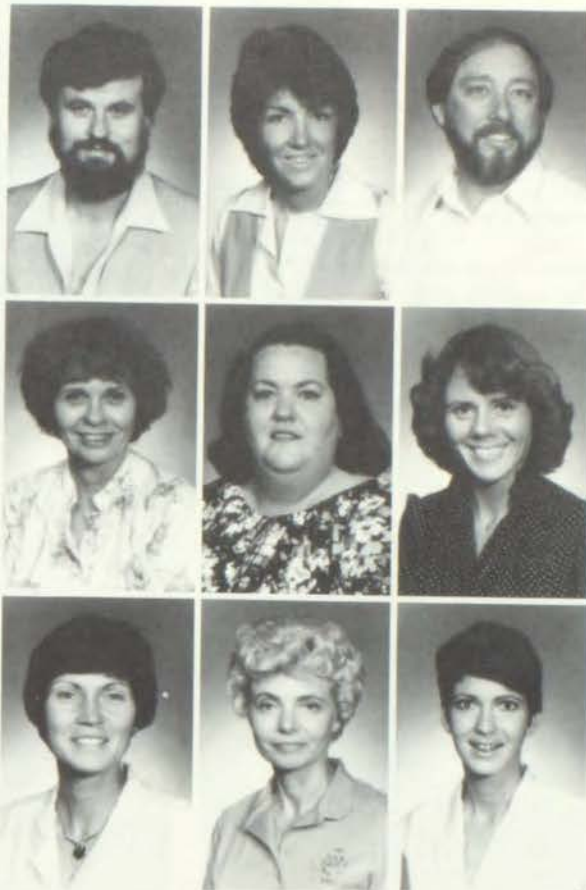
"The other Resource Center teachers and I feel that by working with them, the students' ability to deal with situations occurring in the school and with other people has increased," Ms. Legg said. "This is the main goal of the center," she added.

To further help the student, a program called COATS began this year and will continue for the next two years. This program deals with matching vocational preferences and experiences, employability attitudes, and work stations. Depending on the student's capabilities and interests, it could take from a couple weeks to a few months to complete the program. Mrs. Myra Griffall wrote the grant for \$30,000 asking for equipment needed for the program. The students also used programs and other equipment dealing with electrical wiring, office procedure, repair and study kits.

As the teachers worked with the students, they would periodically check their progress. In some cases, the student made an improvement to such a degree that he would be able to return to the regular classroom. In such cases, spot checks were also still continued.

The students agreed that the progress benefited them a great deal. One boy said, "I'm glad they started the class because I can feel inside that I've grown emotionally and can handle more situations."

RESOURCE CENTER



Mr. Mel Baskett—Learning Disabilities.

Mrs. Myra Griffall—Basic Educational Development Math, Occupational Studies, Vocational Work, Assistant volleyball and softball Coach.

Mr. Cal Groff—Basic Educational Development; Coach Boys track and field, Asst. Girls' basketball Coach.

Mrs. Barbara Ham—Learning Development, Reading.

Dr. Sharon Kay Hayes—Learning Development.

Ms. Jonne Legg—Resource Center; Spirit Club, Varsity Cheerleaders, Junior Varsity Cheerleaders, Yell Leaders.

Mrs. Marianne Mitchell—Reading.

Mrs. Marly Parsa—In School Suspension.

Ms. Laura Richards—Behavior Development; Spirit Club Sponsor.

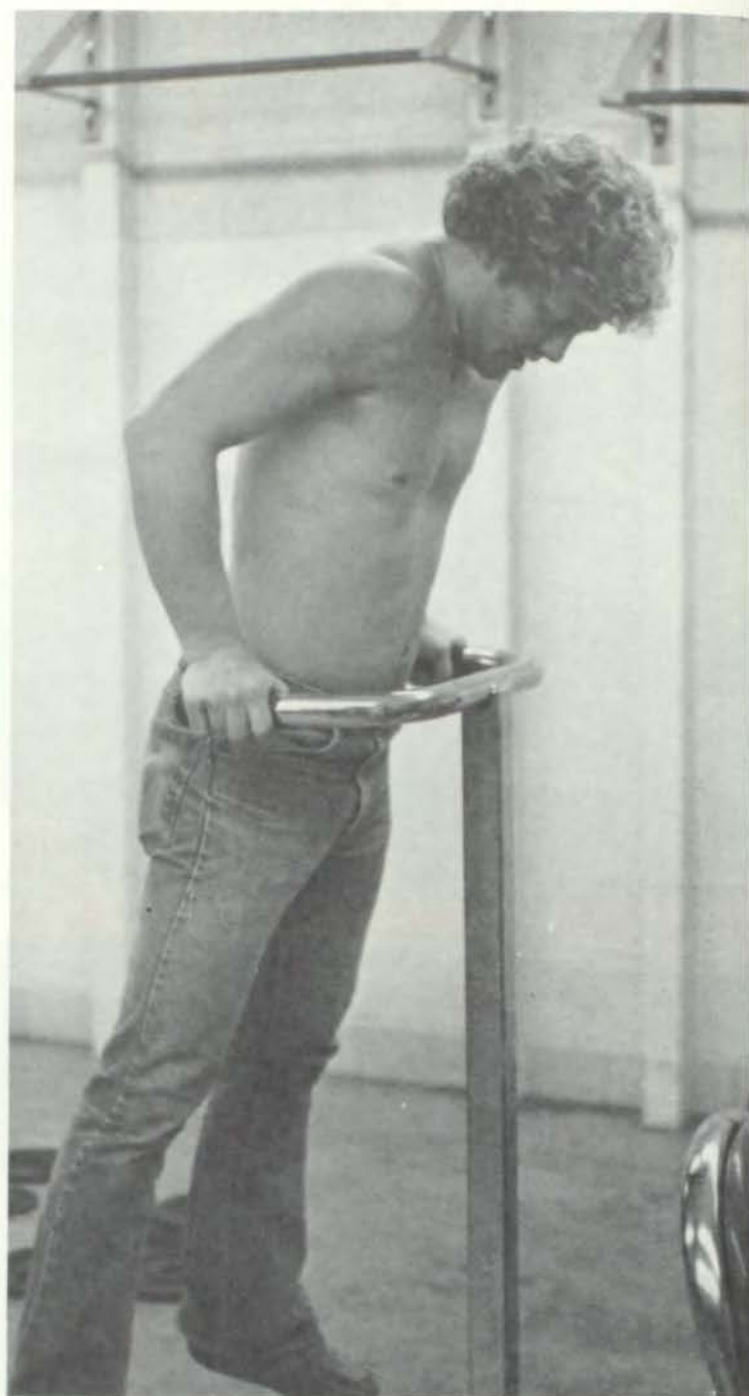


ABOVE: Rick Pollak, 11, and Greg Monroe, 12, discuss material with Mrs. Griffall.

LEFT: Myra Griffall congratulates Lakeside's supervisor.

RIGHT: As part of his conditioning program, Mark Ladd, 12, performs bar dips daily.

BELOW: During the fall, Freshmen students chase after the ball in a soccer game.



Ms. Debbie Artman—Physical Education; Girls' basketball coach, Girls' softball coach.

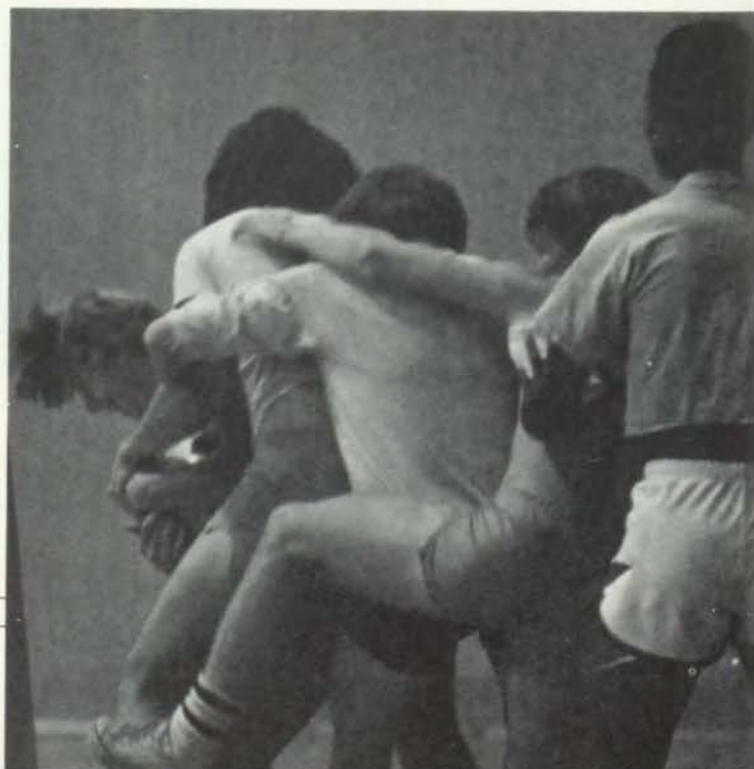
Mr. Howard Glavin—Physical Education; 9th grade Football coach, Boys' 9th grade basketball coach.



Mr. Max Hayes—Physical Education; Golf coach, Sponsor of C-club.



RIGHT: In a wild game of indoor soccer, students fight for the ball.





LEFT: Utilizing his strength, Frank Sbis, 12, lifts the barbell while a student stands by and watches.

MIDDLE LEFT: Kim Moore, 9, follows through after serving the ball.



Mr. Tom Irvin - Physical Education; Asst. Varsity football coach, Wrestling coach.

Mrs. Valerie Matulis - Physical Education; Volleyball coach.

Mrs. Meg Seifert - Physical Education; Girls' Cross Country coach, Girls' track coach; Sponsor CGSA.

Mr. Robert Smith - Physical Education; Varsity football coach; Athletic director; Coordinator of Physical Education.

Gym classes adapt to additional students, coach feels improvement needed

Although one might have thought that adding the freshmen would have altered the gym classes drastically, very little change in the program actually took place.

"We've tried to keep the freshmen in separate classes," stated Coach Bob Smith, Athletic Director. "We've avoided mixing with the other grades whenever possible."

To adjust for the additional students, two P.E. instructors were added - Mr. Howard Glavin, from Center South, and Ms. Debbie Artman, from Indian Creek Elementary.

"I've noticed a lot of improvement in the kids in terms of maturity since the beginning of the year," Ms. Artman commented.

"With the freshmen at the high school now, they'll adjust

and grow up a lot faster than before," added Coach Smith, "but I am still working toward a better total fitness program."

Center has always tried to offer a lot of Co-Ed and elective type courses, but such factors as facilities and number of teachers have played a major role, according to Coach Smith.

"Our problem may be that we offer too large a variety of programs," he said. "Tennis and bowling keep people active, but aren't really effective in terms of fitness. We should lean more toward such programs as jogging and calisthenics, which will better prepare the student for life outside of school."

FOOTBALL

Injuries, slow start, losses, fade State Playoff hopes

FOOTBALL

An air of intensity hung over the locker room. Varsity, expecting to win every game and advance to State Playoffs, had suffered two losses and no wins. That intensity erupted as Center beat Southwest that evening and proceeded to win the next seven games. "To come from behind to beat Liberty and to play well against an athletically strong Ruskin team, I think we had tremendous poise as an overall team. Take back those first two games and you're looking at State Playoffs," reflected Varsity Offensive Coach Tom Irvin.

Center lost its starting quarterback, David Chamberlain, 12, and tailback Mike Martin, 12, prior to the first game. Injuries continued to plague the team throughout the season.

What summarizes this season? "To be able to have as many injuries as we had and come back and win seven straight," answered Irvin. Irvin also added, "I recall when Chamberlain was first hurt.

We wanted to go ahead and prac-

tice, but that killed it. I mostly remember the offense ranked No. 4 in the state of Missouri, consisting of guys like Jack Steiner, 12, who caught 21 passes for 457 yards; Rick King, 11, who rushed 67 times for 518 yards and returned kicks alone for 912 yards; Jack Brandom, 12, who rushed 95 times for 739 yards; and Scott Alexander, 12, who had 22 pass completions for 414 yards. It was mainly a college offense and to have people smart enough to pick it up was great."

The offensive unit scored a total of 262 points while the defense, in nine games, allowed a sum total of 83 points to be scored against them. These accomplishments are, in themselves, a credit to Head Coach Bob Smith. Roger Heard, 12, summarized the season when he said, "At the start, we struggled as a team, but as the season progressed, we functioned more as a unit than individuals. It's outstanding how the team played with and overcame its injuries."



VARSITY SQUAD—Front Row: Jack Steiner, Scott Alexander, Mike Martin, Jeff Cox, Terry Ward, Mark Eimer, Jack Brandom, Head Coach Bob Smith, Dave Chamberlain, Craig Long, Roger Heard, Greg Welsh, Mike Benanti, Mark Ladd; Second Row: Manager David Smothers, Glen Sands, Joe Gingrich, Jim Rebman, Mark Whitley, David Asjes, Todd Koelling, Joe Dee Beach, Doug Darbyshire, Jimmy Williams, Mike Jones, Andy Rynard, Manager Jerry Randolph; Back Row: Craig Kubayko, James Russell, Anthony Spalitto, Leo ReVoal, Coach Dave Purviance, Coach Mike DeMarea, Coach Howard Glavin, Coach Tom Irvin, Coach Don Bradshaw, Kevin Brooks, Ron Barker, Bryon Price, Rick King.

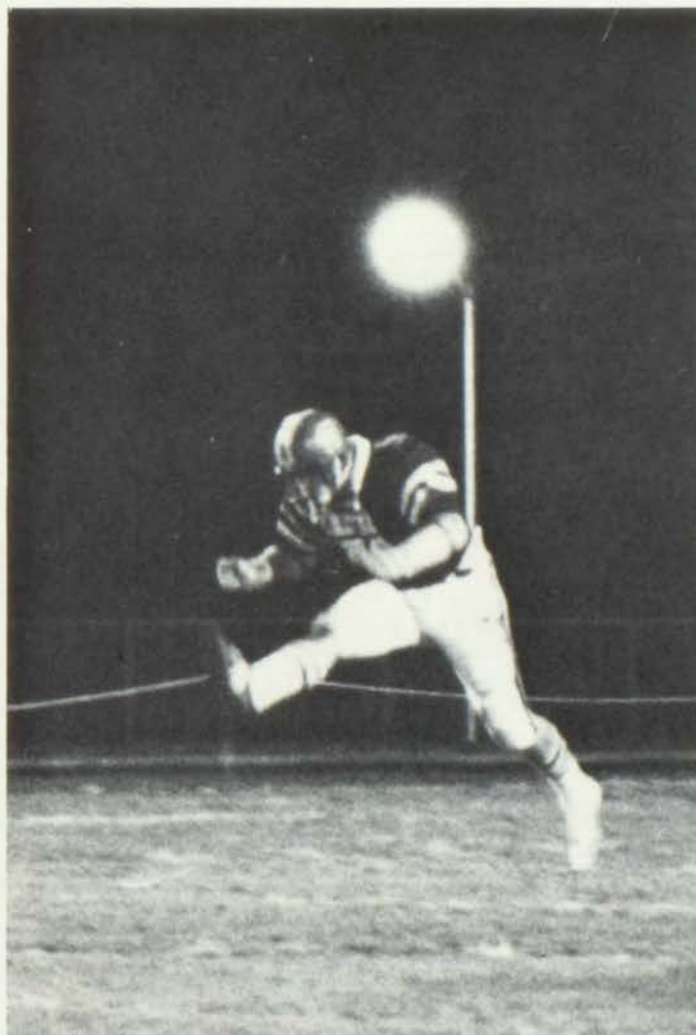
Clearing the way for Jack Steiner, 12, Jim Rebman, 11, storms downfield.



After breaking up a pass, Jack Brandom, 12, stretches for the interception.



CHS	OPPONENT
	7-2
7	12 Lee's Summit
27	28 Ruskin
32	0 Southwest
13	6 Liberty
28	6 Belton
44	12 Excelsior Springs
28	12 Hickman Mills
48	0 Fort Osage
35	7 North Kansas City



Giving it all he's got, Jim Rebman, 11, drives the ball deep on a kickoff.

FOOTBALL

Junior varsity strives for excellence, teamwork

FOOTBALL

The sky was overcast as the dust clung to mouthpieces. The teams glanced at the scoreboard and the time remaining, as the coaches paced the sidelines. The clock ran down to around 40 seconds and the air hung heavy on shoulders of teams and spectators alike. The scene Center J.V. vs. Belton J.V. and the score 0-0. After a grueling 48 minutes, Center went on to win the game. "That touchdown Jeff Shepherd caught at Belton with less than 40 seconds left to win, is what stands out in my mind as the most exciting play of the season," remarked Coach Howard Glavin.

Like last year, the Sophomore team and Junior Varsity team combined to make one Junior Varsity team. The J.V. team practiced with the Varsity squad throughout the week and played its games the Monday after the Varsity games. "This is the first time I've worked with high school football players in 20 years. I liked it really well," stated Glavin.

If any changes were to come about, Randy Ashford, 10, suggested, "Have the sophomores (J.V.) practice by themselves as a team a lot more." He went on to explain, "The team did all right except for offense; we couldn't move the ball really well."

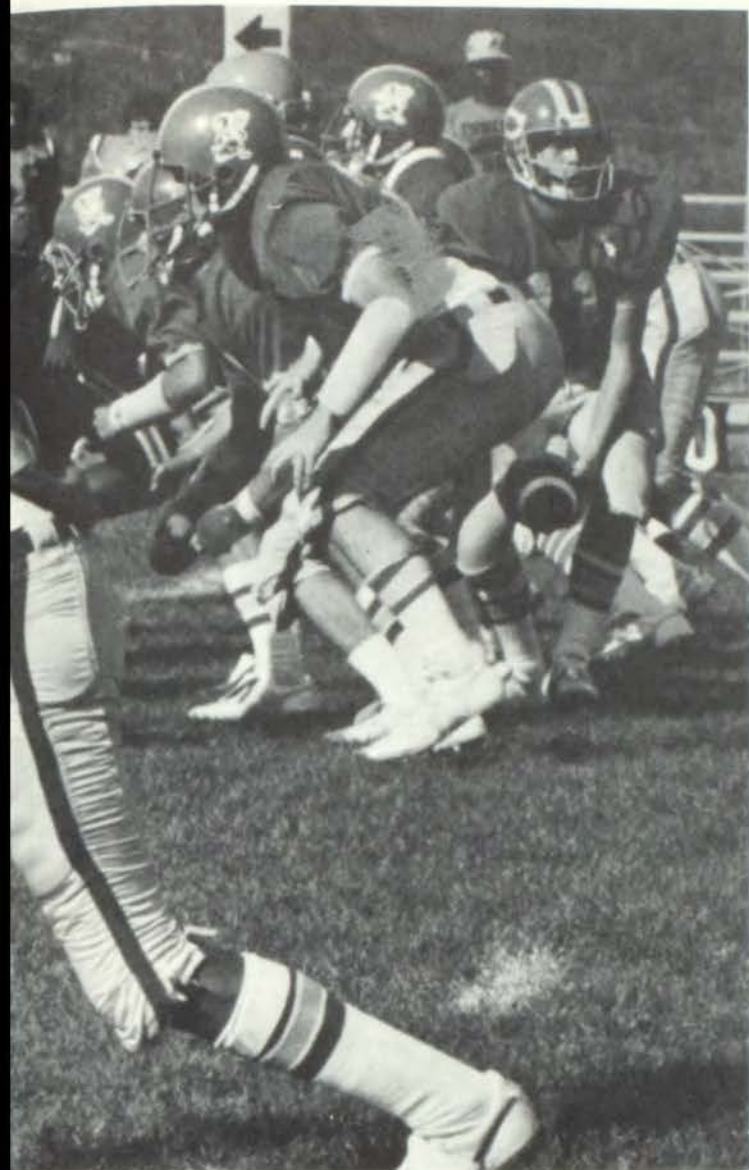
What event from the season was Randy's most memorable moment? In the last J.V. game, all the Juniors and Sophomores, regardless of Varsity or J.V., played. This enabled the coaching staff to visualize next year's Varsity squad. Randy's moment? "In the last J.V. game I kicked an extra point and made it," answered Ashford. "I think the season prepared us for Varsity," added Kevin Brooks, 11. "As for changing anything from the season, I'd like to have known a little more about the offense and defense. I was a little unfamiliar with them this year. I think this season was really good. I think they'll have a pretty good J.V. team next year, I really do," summarized Glavin.



ABOVE: Kurt Loudon, 10, prepares to center the ball to quarterback Curt Arnold, 10.

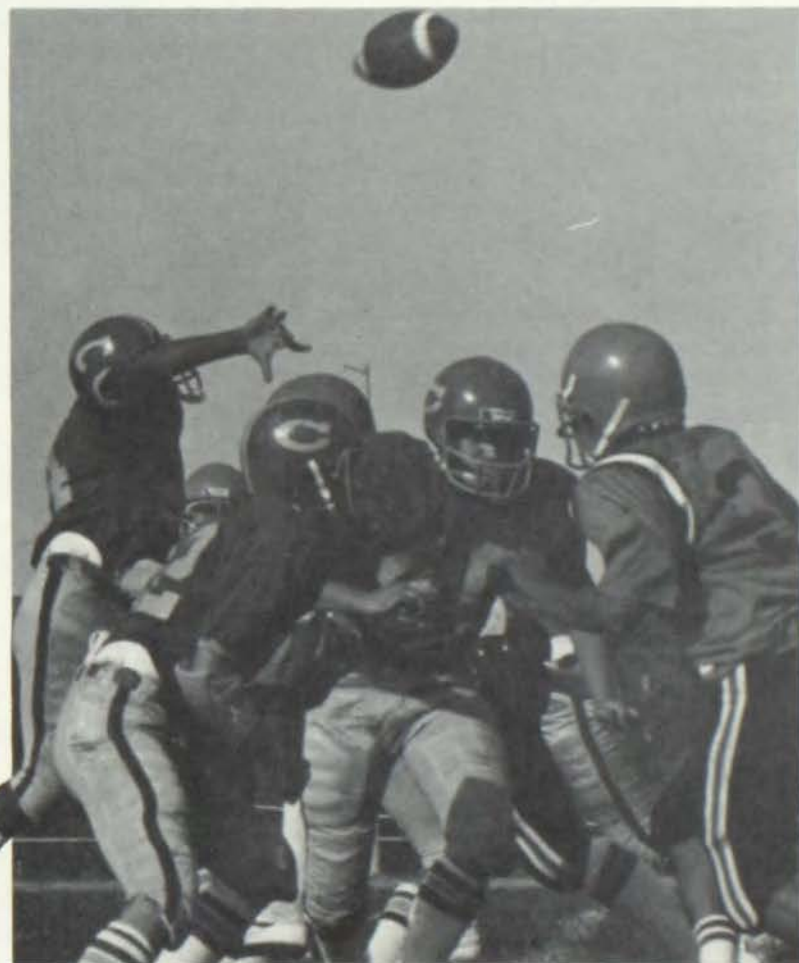
RIGHT: Before the start of the Southwest game, Jeff Shepherd, 12, smiles in anticipation.





LEFT: Leo Revoal, 11, accelerates on a route.

FRESHMAN AND SOPHOMORE SQUADS—Front Row: Coach Dave Purviance, Greg Day, Jim Kinsinger, Kurt Loudon, Vince McMurray, Mike Whisler, Walt Thompson, Frank Hale, Tyler Cox, Curt Arnold, Albert Janssens, Randy Collins; Second Row: Brent Winner, Pat Stone, Phil Scaglia, Dave Welch, Tom McGee, Robbie Gillenwater, Dan Stroud, Scott Ponick, Pat Benanti, Mike Lombardino, Paul Butler, Lonnie Carter. Back Row: Paul Ducate, Bob Oxler, Tom Smith, Brian Shaffer, Andy Gruver, Jim Lewis, Drew Hutton, Mike Lauthomer, Jeffrey Williams, Dan Trustle, Steve Aaron.



ABOVE: Standing behind the offensive wall, Curt Arnold, 10, unleashes a pass.

CHS	OPPONENT
	4-4-1
0	14 Lee's Summit
7	14 Ruskin
6	6 Southwest
0	14 Liberty
6	0 Belton
18	0 Excelsior Springs
0	7 Hickman Mills
21	7 Fort Osage
19	0 North Kansas City

FOOTBALL

Despite faltering season, attitudes show potential

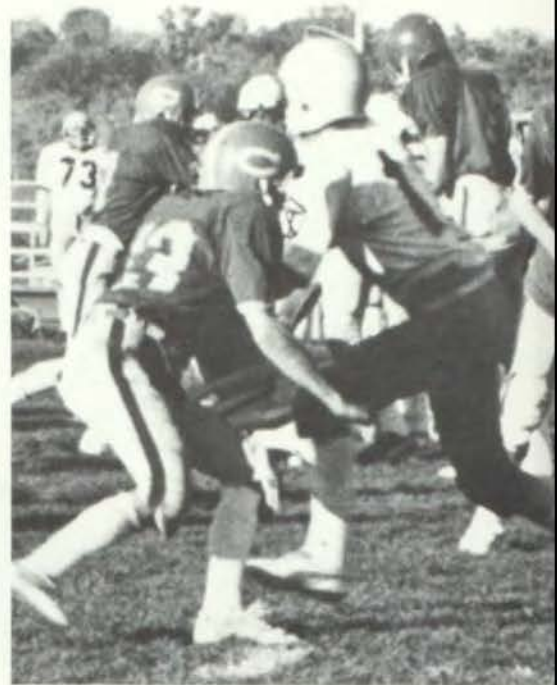
FOOTBALL

"I remember when O'Hara was running the ball and I took it right out of their hands and ran it 70 yards for a touchdown. We had a good season and good coaching. We learned a lot this year; the basics, etc. . . . If we could do anything different, I think I'd want to do more passing. When the Seniors have a good football team, it helps us," said Paul Howe.

This year's Freshman football team was that of an experimental one. Coach Dave Purviance commented, "This was the first year the ninth grade team was at the high school. When you're first at something, it's a trial thing and mistakes may be made. I feel good about the number of guys out. Some might have been intimidated by being at the high school. I'm glad they came out and we got to work with them and get them started early on our game. The players have a lot to learn as far as what to expect and the coaches, too for running a smooth program or not. As for our season, we had injuries at key times.

At Grandview, one of our leading players, Lonnie Carter, 9, was injured and couldn't finish the game. We very possibly could've beaten Grandview, and other teams, if not for the injuries," he explained. Bobby Oxler, 9, into his fifth season of playing football for organized teams, reflected on his Freshman year. "I learned a lot this year, more than I did at the junior high," said Oxler.

The only victory came over William Chrisman when Center won 40-0. "That first game, when we won 40-0, gave us the feeling that we could win," remarked Howe. "I remember the feeling of winning our first game because I was in complete control. I feel bad because we should've had a better season but also good because I had the opportunity to work with these guys," finished Purviance. On lives the tradition Center has of producing excellent ball clubs and the people with the attitudes to run them.



CHS	OPPONENT
	1-4
40	0 William Chrisman
8	13 Grandview
0	23 O'Hara
19	21 Fort Osage
0	16 Lee's Summit

RIGHT: David Stroud, 9, concentrates on catching the ball for a completion.



FAR LEFT: The offensive line shoots into the defensive line, stopping the rush.

NEAR LEFT: As he turns upfield, David Stroud, 9, looks for potential blocks.

MIDDLE: The offensive line explodes as the back-field moves into synchronization.



ABOVE: Lonnie Carter, 9, unloads a pass moments before being sacked by Lee's Summit defenders.

LEFT: The opposition breaks down the blocking and stops Lonnie Carter, 9, in his tracks.

X COUNTRY

New Coach, new attitudes, strengthen team unity.

X COUNTRY

For once in a long time, cross-country wasn't ignored and the "silent sport" pulled off one of its most successful seasons in recent years.

Many changes came about to reshape the team into a formidable adversary. Perhaps the most profound of these took place under the supervision of a newly hired coach, Mark Rabuse.

What influence did this have on the team? "The team respected him more and we worked a lot harder," explained Scott Abel. This reflected a new dawn in the team's performance on and off the running field. As Coach Rabuse noted, "Some of the older guys weren't used to a strict practice schedule, but they got the hang of things and really worked

hard."

This outlook on workouts helped spur on the runners and made practices a little more bearable and even fun at times. As Steve Miles, 12, stated, "Last year it was everyone for himself; this year we worked together and had a lot of fun doing it."

Another important change that perhaps was most neglected was the switch in school support and "esprit de corps" shown toward this sometimes underplayed sport. "Although it wasn't always noticeable to people, I felt that the people who decorated lockers and put up signs did much for the team, even if there weren't throngs of people to watch; cross-country isn't exactly a spectator sport," the coach concluded with a smile.

RIGHT: Dan Searls, 12, flies past a movie camera during a meet at Swope Park.

FAR RIGHT: The face of Brian Sinclair, 12, shows the strain of this grueling sport.





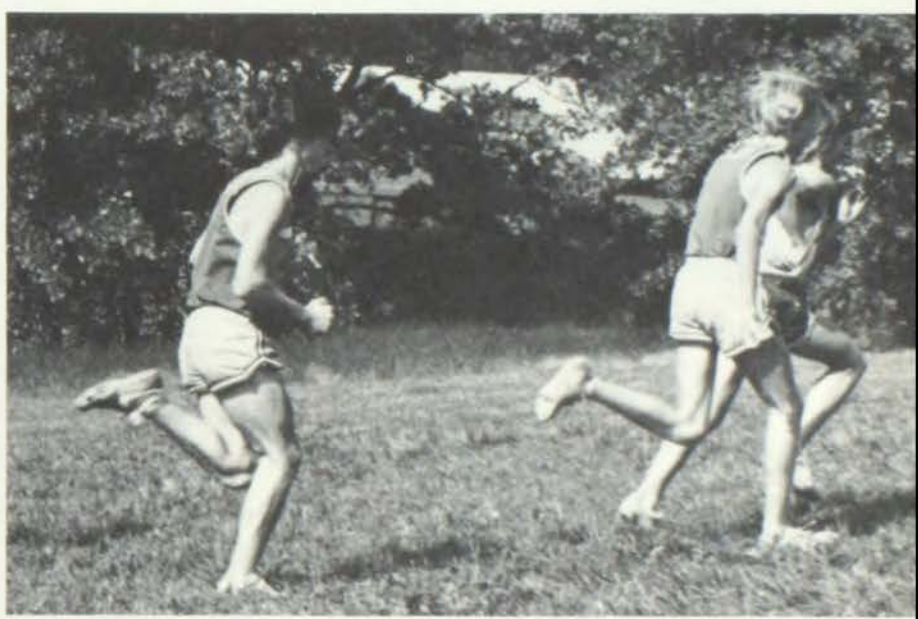
PLACE	MEET
2nd	Sedalia Invitational
2nd	Oak Park, Southeast, Raytown
4th	Park Hill Invitational
2nd	Raytown South Invitational
1st	Truman, Belton
4th	Southeast Invitational
2nd	Park Hill Exhibition
2nd	Ruskin Invitational
1st	Conference
3rd	District
5th	Sectionals

Steve Miles, 12, runs alongside parked busses at a Swope Park meet.

BELOW: Moving past Starlight Theater, a pack of runners keeps in a tight formation.



Making up for lost time, Jon Keiffer 11, pushes up the tempo of his stride.



CROSS COUNTRY — Front Row: Steve Miles, Russell Liberty; Second Row: Manager Jeff Gardner, Jim Hamrick, Randy Soltz, Andy Bron, Paul Licausi, Bill Morgan, Sim Winitz, Mark Winner, Coach Rabuse; Back Row: Brian Sinclair, Terry Williams, David Barnes, Kevin Montgomery, Mike McTernan, David Ball, Scott Abel, Mark Swendrowski, Dan Searls. Not Pictured: Scott Foley, Jon Keiffer, Mike Suchanek, Manager Sam Barnes.

HEAT, INJURIES TEST STRENGTH OF CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

It was one of those crisp fall mornings when most people would rather stay in bed, but for a particular group of people this marked one of the biggest days of the year.

The spine chilling winds did little to halt the Center cross-country team at District, except chase spectators to the warm comfort of their car.

Although the District meet marked a high point in the team's schedule, many hard fought battles had been won to reach that point. One of these was the stifling summer heat that the runners were subjected to. David Ball, 12, stated, "After every practice you felt like a wet rag and totally drained of every ounce of energy." The summer "two-a-day" practices fortunately fell during early morning and late afternoon.

If the heat wasn't bad enough the

team was plagued with injuries, but as Coach Rabuse stated, "Sure it hurt us, but we pulled together and did it somehow."

And pulled together they did. At every meet, times were improving and team members placed higher in the ranks. The final test was District where Center, for the first time in a while, took the meet over the expected victors, Liberty.

A big disappointment occurred after this meet because Center was edged out of the state meet by nine points, although Brian Sinclair, 12, and Dan Searls, 12, qualified for it. Stated senior Duane Ball, "With this do or die spirit displayed by the cross-country team, the opposition had better look to its laurels because their future looks awfully bleak against this up and coming team."

PLACE	MEET
2nd	Sedalia Invitational
2nd	Raytown South, Oak Park, Southeast, Center, Quad meet.
4th	Parkhill Invitational
2nd	Raytown South Invitational
1st	Truman and Belton meet
4th	Southeast Invitational
2nd	Parkhill Exhibition
4th	Ruskin Invitational
3rd	Conference

Terry Williams, 11 gets a good start and leads out of the starting gate.



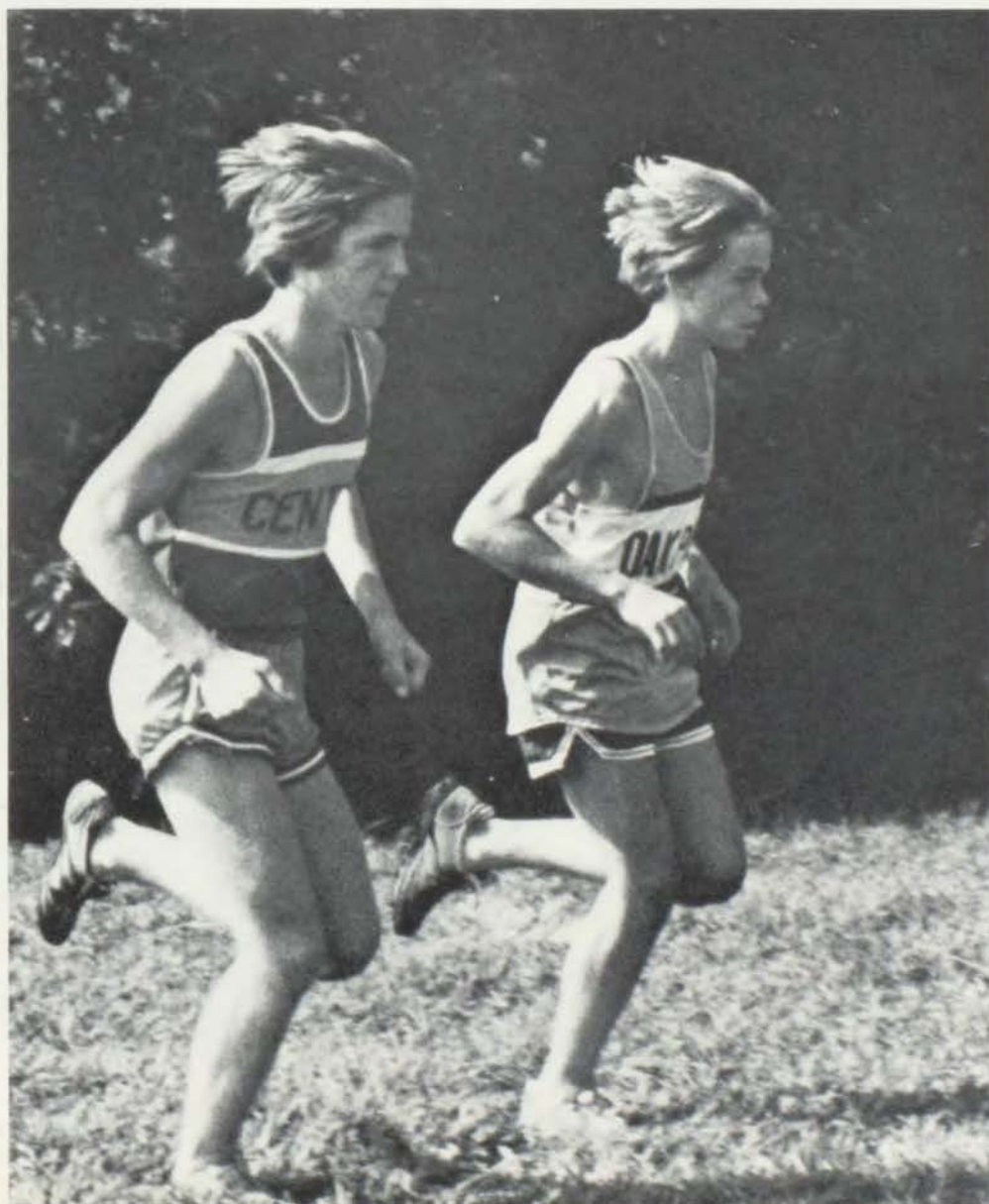


LEFT: Stretching it out, Brian Sinclair, 12, moves on to lead the pack.



ABOVE: Scott Abel, 11, pours it on to pass a tiring opponent at the finish line.

LEFT: David Ball, 12, keeps pace with an Oak Park runner during a J.V. race.



X COUNTRY A COUNTRY

First season proves valuable learning experience

For the first time in Center history, a girls' cross-country team made an appearance in a largely male dominated sport.

This new team organized on a strictly volunteer basis, as Cheryl Eimer explained, "Coach Seifert asked us if we wanted to run cross-country, and if we had enough people interested we would have a team." Like any new team it had a shaky start, but once the season got underway, things began to smooth out.

Victories didn't come too easy for this new team, although the feeling of the team was one of improvement for each member, for the good of the team, and wins weren't as important.

Carrie Winterowd, 11, stated, "I felt that we had a good season, but more important I think we improved ourselves along with the team."

Along with helping the team, the work-out for some also went to improve skills in other sports. Cheryl Eimer reflected, "When I joined the team I wanted to help my basketball and Coach Seifert said it would. I think this was the reason for a lot of people joining the team."

Perhaps with this renewed interest in girls' sports and the spirit and dedication displayed by this team, we can look for a new era in women's sports and a continuing growth in this department.



GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY—Front row: Carrie Conrad, Lisa Mitchell, Linda Mitchell, Randi Rittman; Back Row: Coach Seifert, manager Lori Williams, Cheryl Eimer, Linda O'Renick, Carrie Winterowd, Tammy Carter.

Carrie Winterowd, 11, passes a cheering crowd to finish her race at Swope Park.





LEFT: Always one step ahead, Carrie Conard, 9, tries to maintain her position.

BELOW: After a tough race, a few team members take a welcome fruit and water break.



CHS	OPPONENT	JV
30	26	
CHS	OPPONENT	VARSITY
30	26	Lee's Summit
33	23	Southeast
33	24	Parkhill
PLACE	MEET	
8th	Park Hill Invitational	
5th	Liberty Invitational	
4th	Excelsior Invitational	
9th	Southeast Invitational	
4th	Ruskin Invitational	
2nd	Grandview Invitational	
4th	Lee's Summit Invitational	
8th	District	

Lisa Mitchell, 9, enters the finishing gate after a last minute push.

VOLLEYBALL

Varsity starts with a bang but ends with a fizzle

VOLLEYBALL

Tough and sweaty practices starting in mid August paid off for Varsity volleyball. The season started off with a bang. For the first time in Center history, the volleyball team had a Blue-Gold game. A good number of students and parents attended to show their support. The team also had the spirited support of the Yell-leaders. The games were close and exciting, but even still the support and spirit dwindled as the season progressed. Annette Davis, 12, explained, "I think it started off really well, but once we lost a couple of games we also lost the school's support."

But despite the lack of support the season proved to be a success. Varsity ended up with a winning record of 11-7 and the girls came to know and like one another. Mindy Turner, 11, pointed out, "We're not all involved in the same activities, but we like each other and share something special with volleyball." Lori Slyter stated, "We even had a two hour long talk to bring things out in the open; not many teams would do that."

The extensive practices, tough games and emotional moments paid off for the team. The girls developed lasting friendships and some fun memories.

With a look of determination, Erika Blacksher, 12, serves the ball.



ABOVE: After Diane Batliner, 12, spikes the ball, the rest of the team covers the block.

RIGHT: During a time out Coach Matulis and Coach Griffal give a quick pep talk.



Lori Slyter, 12, sets a high set for Tina Hurtado, 12, to spike.



CHS	OPPONENT
11-7	
1	2 Belton
2	1 North Kansas City
2	0 Excelsior Springs
2	1 Van Horn
1	2 Fort Osage
2	1 Liberty
1	2 Belton
0	2 North Kansas City
2	0 Excelsior Springs
2	1 Ruskin
0	2 Fort Osage
0	2 Liberty
2	0 Ruskin
2	0 Blue Springs



SENIORS AND JUNIORS—Front Row: Dinah Casey, Erika Blacksher, Lori Slyter, Paula Carter, Diane Batliner, Tina Hurtado, Mindy Turner, Lori Sisk, Annette Davis, Jean Scanlon, Susan Meiners; Back Row: Manager Dawn Williams, Kris Hase, Coach Val Matulis, Coach Myra Griffal, Amy Eaton, Manager Theresa Johnston; Not Pictured: Becky Rice, Melanie Schmedding, Teresa Donahue.

VOLLEYBALL

J.V. personality differences cause inconsistency

J.V. finished off the season with seven wins and seven losses. Bettering their record was one of the goals mentioned by J.V. coach Myra Griffal. She also stated, "We try to develop basic volleyball skills so the girls will have a better record and try to get the idea of working on a team sport and still enjoy it." The majority of the girls did enjoy this season. "I had fun this year because most the girls liked each other and Coach Griffal never let us get down on ourselves," stated Teresa Donahue, 11.

But even still, personality differences caused inconsistency on the court. Jean Scanlon explained, "At first there were a few personality conflicts and as the year went on I saw more and more." This inconsistency hurt the girls' record and in turn hurt school support. Starting off the season with two wins in a row and finishing with a losing streak was disappointing for the hopeful team. But Coach Griffal summed it up when she commented, "The support will improve when we improve."



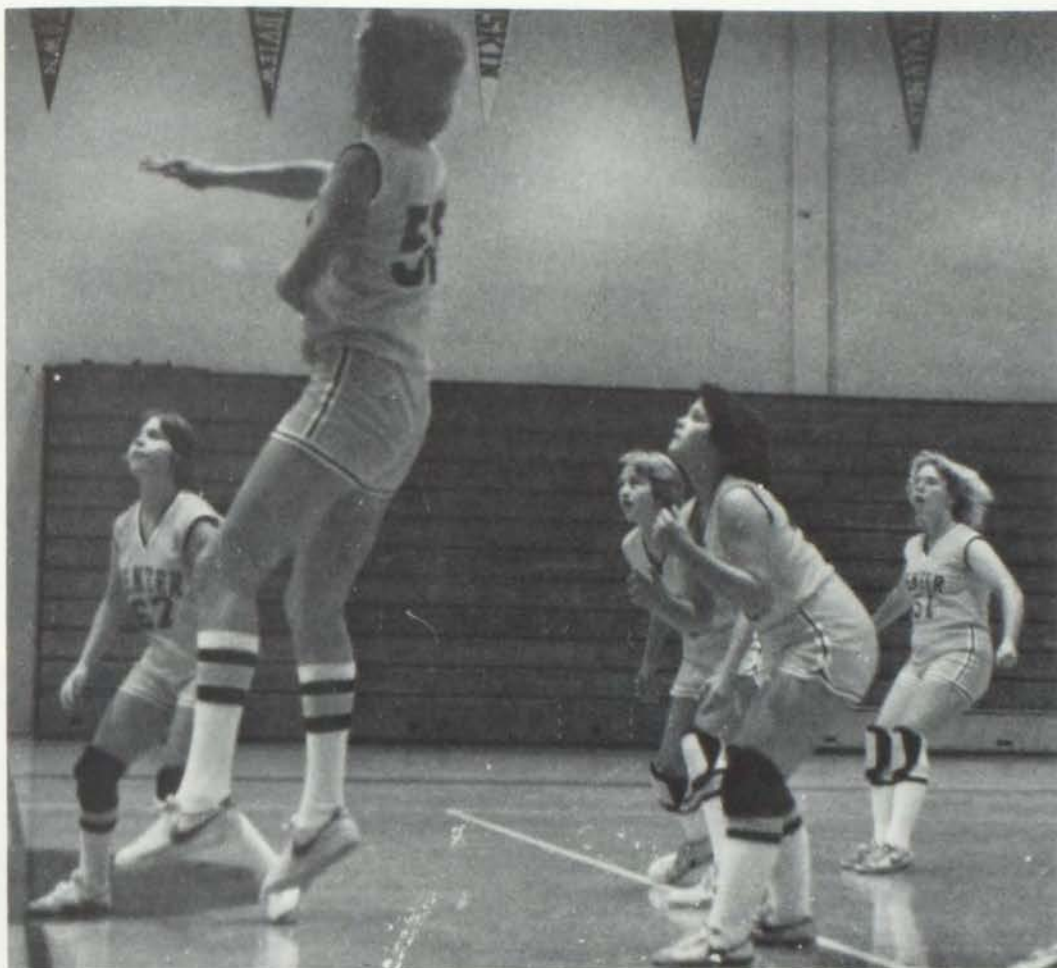
CHS	Opponent
	7-7
2	1 North Kansas City
2	0 Belton
1	2 Excelsior Springs
2	0 Van Horn
0	2 Fort Osage
2	0 Liberty
0	2 Belton
2	1 North Kansas City
1	2 Excelsior Springs
2	0 Ruskin
1	2 Fort Osage
0	2 Liberty
2	1 Ruskin
0	2 Blue Springs



Susan Meiners, 11, covers for the block behind spiker Amy Eaton, 11.

Teammates wait with anticipation for the ball to be retrieved by Amy Eaton, 11.

BELOW: Jumping high off the ground for a good spike, Julie Koncak, 10, scores a point.



ABOVE: Getting psyched for the game, Kris Hase, 11, begins clapping.

VOLLEYBALL

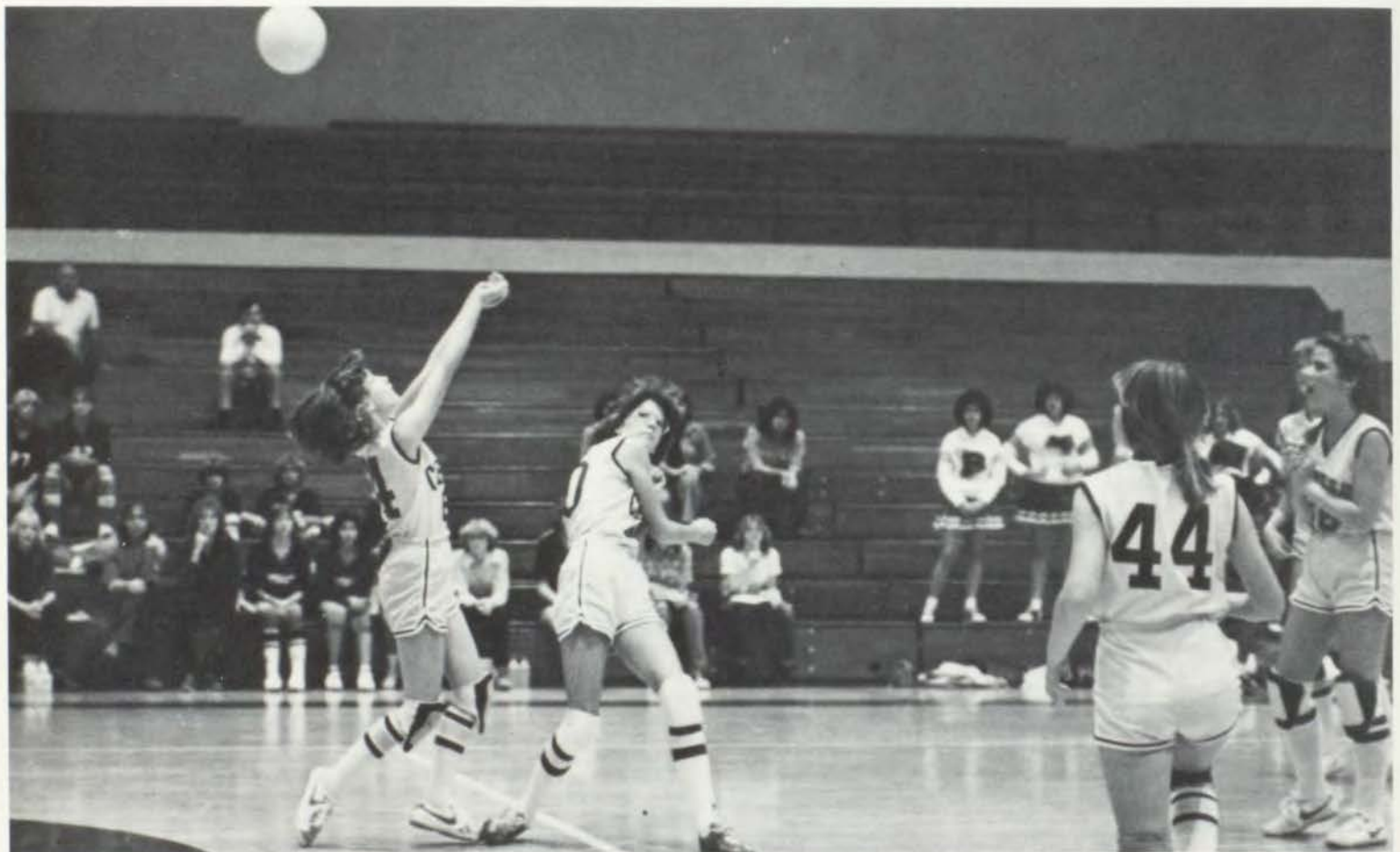
Hectic conditions cause problems for Freshmen

Making adjustments proved to be a big factor for the Freshman volleyball team. With Varsity, J.V., and Freshmen all trying to practice at one time, things got a little hectic. Cindy Curless, 9, stated, "I didn't like the practices because it was too crowded; we always had to use the other nets instead of the game net." Some players felt the crowded conditions hurt their record. Shana Cunneen, 9, remarked, "I think we would've done much better if we could've had the whole gym." Another factor was the different attitudes of the teams. Coach Bev Kowalczyk noted, "Basically at the junior high level there was more of a fun attitude; here it is a little more serious."

Despite the adjustments, the team got a lot accomplished during the season. Coach Kowalczyk said, "I feel as if we developed a lot of potential in the Freshmen and a sense of working as a team."

Even though the team ended up with a 3-8 record, the young team surprised the coaches when they beat Winnetonka. "It was the highlight of the season," reported the coach.

With all the changes and adjustments the Freshmen had to make, a negative attitude might be expected. But the majority of the girls held out the full season and were eager to play next year. Cheryl Snapp, 9, proclaimed, "I had fun this year; I'm anxious to play again."



ABOVE: Cindy Curless, 9, and Sheila Inman, 9, nearly collide while trying to set up the ball.

ABOVE RIGHT: Taking a dive to save a point. Shana Cunneen, 9, bumps the ball.



CHS	Opponent
	3-8
1	2 Fort Osage
0	2 Palmer
0	2 Turner Highland
2	0 Blue Valley
1	2 Grandview East
0	2 Fort Osage
0	2 Smith Hale
2	1 Lee's Summit
1	2 William Chrisman
2	1 Winnetonka
0	2 Bridger

BELOW: Sheila Inman takes a fall while trying for a tough serve from the opposing team.



SOPHOMORES AND FRESHMEN—Front Row: Diane Donaldson, Sheila Inman, Angela Manning, Toni Craig, Coach Bev Kowalczyk, Tammy Kloiber, Cindy Curless, Terri Gragg, Lisa Shiflet; Back Row: Manager Denise Bell, Lynn Marley, Connie Perahoritis, Barbara Randall, Donna Tavernaro, Shana Cunneen, Julie Koncak, Cheryl Snapp, Andrea Poisner, Della Heidebrink, Marissa Ogg, LeAnn Totty, Manager Jana DiVilbiss.

LEFT: Diane Donaldson claps to get the team's spirit back up after losing a point.

TENNIS

Varsity team stresses improvements over victories

TENNIS

This year's varsity team finished the season with a 2-10 overall record and a 2-6 record in conference. "One of the successful things about this year's team was that after being beaten by Excelsior Springs and Belton we came back to beat them the second time around," noted Coach Tom Grow.

Sara Westgate was this year's number one varsity player and also the teams captain. She finished the district tournament in the quarter-finals, scoring 4 points for the team. "I am really proud of this team; they really gave it their all," stated Sara.

As the season began with long,

hot, and hard practices, with temperatures on the court wavering near or above the 120 degree mark, the team was hard at work. "All the practice was hard, but I enjoyed all the exercise and being able to play tennis everyday with my friends," stated Ami Bruce, 10, the youngest member on this year's varsity tennis team.

Although varsity did not do as well as they had hoped, they commented on how much they improved over the season. "Coach Grow really helped me a lot," stated Cindy Connet, 11.



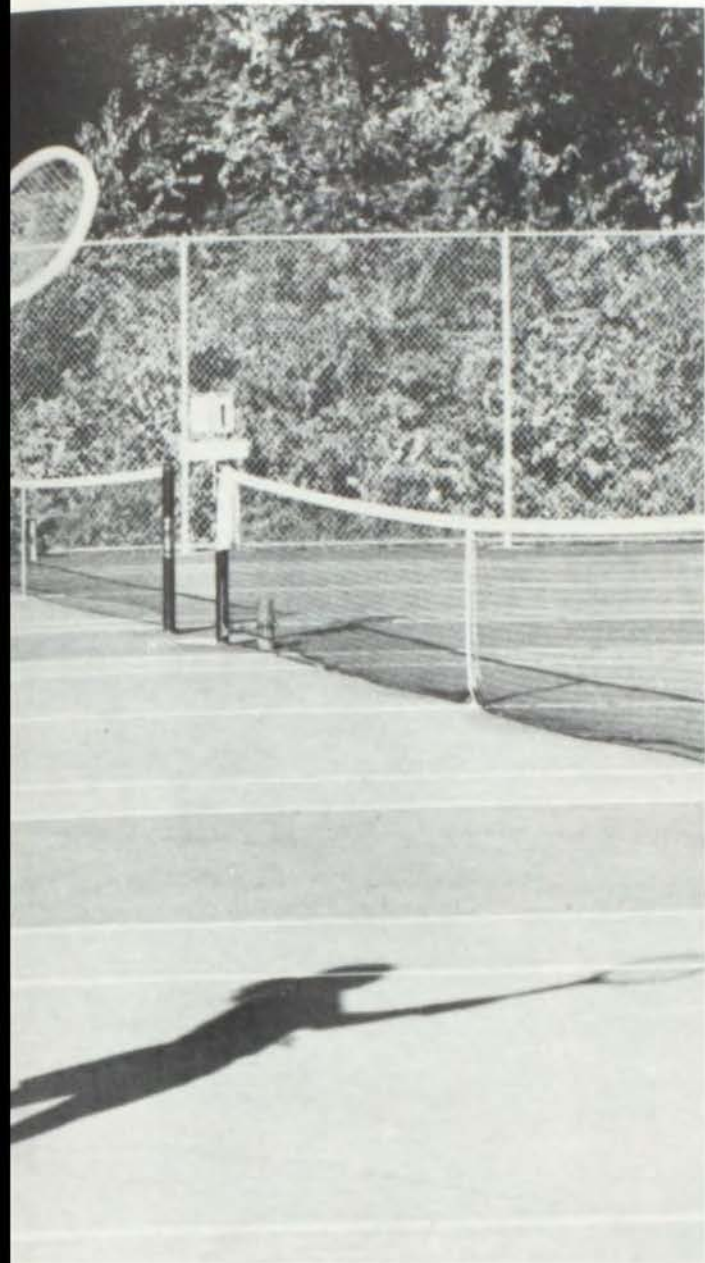
TENNIS SQUADS—Front Row: Cindy Connet, Ami Bruce, Sara Westgate, Kerry Hollrah, Jolie Ogg, Leslie Adkins; Second Row: Lori Crawford, Becky Bauer, Suzanne Meyer, Lily Kanter, Dana Charles, Katherine Maas, Holly Irwin; Back Row: Coach Tom Grow, Karla Winterowd, Simone Leibman, Carla DiRaimo, Traci Masters, Ellen Bartimus, Jennifer Davis; Not Pictured: Julie Combs, Julie Rubins.

RIGHT: Varsity team member Cindy Connet, 11, shows her strong backhand.

MIDDLE RIGHT: Katherine Maas, 12, watches her doubles partner make a strong return.

FAR RIGHT: Varsity's youngest player, Ami Bruce, 10, returns a low ground shot.





LEFT: Team captain Sara Westgate, 12, shows her winning style on the court.

BELOW: Discussing strategy on her next match is Karen Hollrah, 11.



CHS	OPPONENT
	2-10
0 5	Lee's Summit
2 3	Grandview
0 5	Liberty
2 3	Excelsior Springs
2 3	Belton
0 5	North Kansas City
0 5	Sunset Hills
0 5	Liberty
3 2	Excelsior Springs
4 1	Belton
0 5	North Kansas City
1 4	Truman



TENNIS

Underclassmen promote hopeful outlook

TENNIS

This year's Junior Varsity tennis team was unique for several reasons. First, the team was composed of nine freshmen and four sophomores; second, for such a young team their record was 6-5 overall and 5-3 for conference play. "We really worked hard and had a terrific coach to help us improve to our best possible," said Jennifer Davis, 10.

"There is a tremendous advantage to having such a young team," Coach Grow explained, "The number of returning players will really make the team click since they already know what is expected of them in the coming season."

Several people on the team had honors awarded to them. This year's player with the honor of the most won matches at any level was Junior Varsity player Becky Bauer, 9.

In conference, Junior Varsity finished second with nine points. "A very fine accomplishment," noted Coach Grow.

Even though the season was not extremely profitable, it did promote hopeful looks toward the 1981-1982 Junior Varsity team.

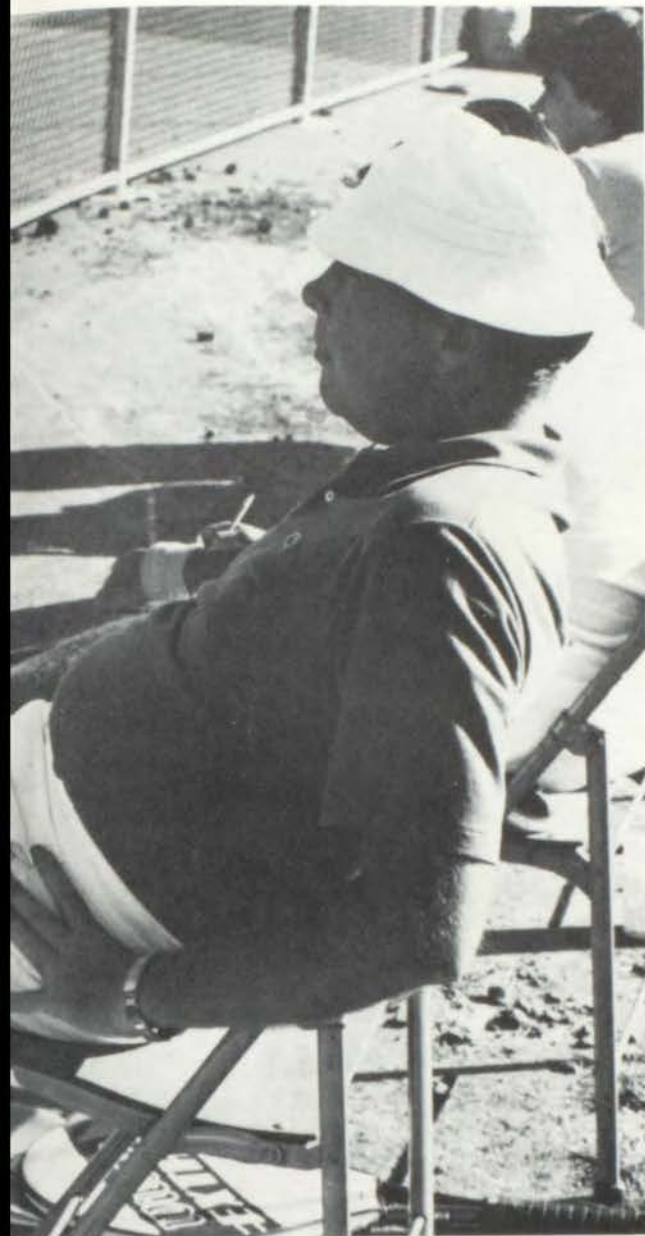
Since the entire Junior Varsity team was all underclassmen, there is hope for a winning team next year. "We will go to state," finished Julie Combs, 10.



ABOVE: Lori Crawford, 10, offers water to her opponent from Liberty during one of the many hot days during match season.

RIGHT: Showing her form during a long match, Dana Charles, 11, concentrates on a winning strategy.





LEFT: While pondering his strategy for the next Junior Varsity match, Coach Tom Grow relaxes momentarily.



ABOVE: Julie Combs, 9, and Lori Crawford, 10, discuss strategy.



For her next match Lori Crawford, 10, concentrates on learning her strokes.

CHS	OPPONENT
	6-5
0	5 Lee's Summit
5	0 Grandview
3	2 Liberty
3	2 Excelsior Springs
5	0 Belton
0	5 North Kansas City
0	5 Liberty
3	2 Excelsior Springs
5	0 Belton
0	5 North Kansas City
2	3 Truman

BASKETBALL

Season progresses with hair raising games

"The most exciting moment of the season was when we played at Liberty; there were signs up everywhere, the fans were rowdy and we put it to 'em," commented Joe Dee Beach, 12. And put it to them they did, Liberty's Courtwarming proved victorious for Center. This January 9th away game turned out to be rough and tumble game. With a winning score of 45 to 33 it became one of the most memorable games for everyone, players and fans alike. When the Liberty band played, "You've Said It All", Centerites unexpectedly finished the song with, "When you say, Yellowjackets, you said it all!"

The January 19th Center vs. Southwest game resulted in another hair raising match of skills. Jon Koncak, 12, shone with 40 points. The game was close through its entirety. Jim Mosby, 12, stated, "Southwest was a real close game; it was tough and we still came out on top."

The season started off with two high scoring wins for Center. But as the season progressed the games got closer. This might be explained by a certain amount of individualism among the players. Brian Eubanks, 12, mentioned, "Sometimes we work together, but we're really off and on; there have even been a couple of close fights during practices." As the season went on they started playing together again with a winning streak of five games in a row. Jon Koncak, 12, noted, "We play as a team pretty much; we started off kind of slow, but we've started coming together more and more."

The team had talent, especially with Jon Koncak, 12, being ranked as one of the top four centers in Missouri. But their best moments on the court were described by Brian Eubanks, 12, when he said, "On the court, whenever we really come together, we play great; closeness like that helps."



ABOVE: Attempting a lay up, Andy VanSlyke, 12, drives past East opponents.

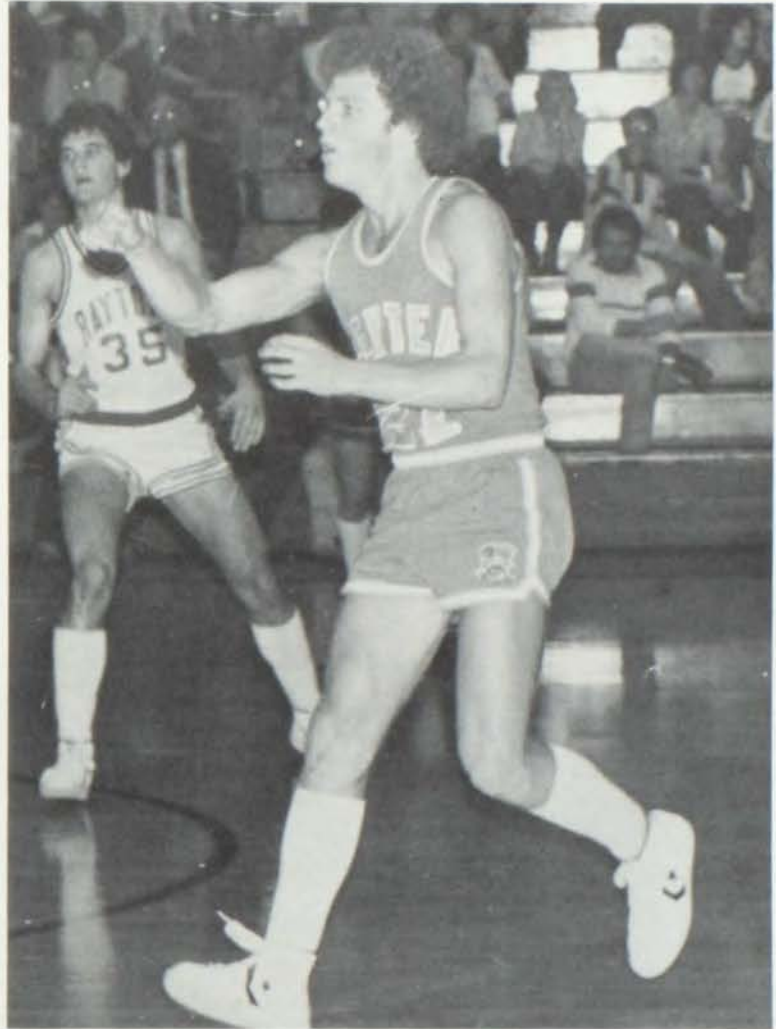
RIGHT: Jon Koncak, 12, slam dunks during a home game.





LEFT: Focusing his attention on the basket, Jack Steiner, 12, shoots a free throw.

BELOW: In a game against Raytown, Dan Searls, 12, makes a pass from the top of the key.



VARSITY SQUAD—Coach Bob Bessenbacher, Steve Miles, Dee Beach, Todd Koelling, Jim Mosby, Brian Sinclair, Dan Searls, Brian Eubanks, Tom Shaffer, Andy VanSlyke, Jon Koncak, Joe Searls.

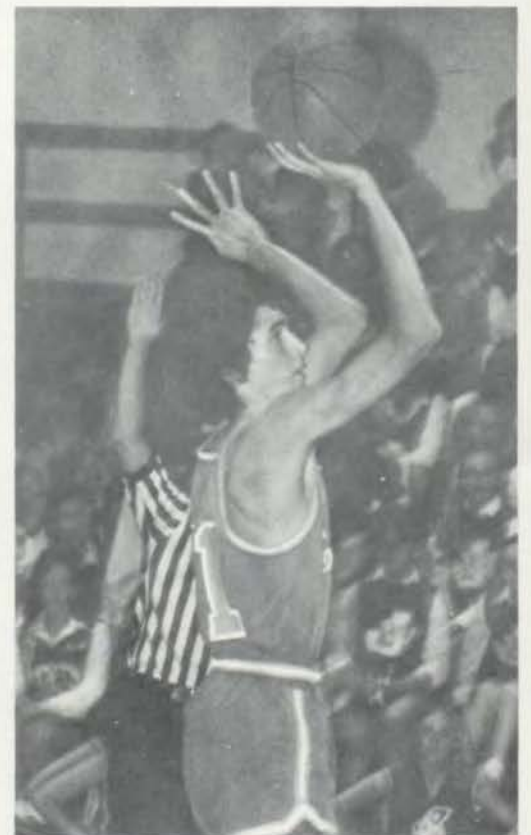
BASKETBALL

Extra publicity adds excitement to season

"Thinking. That may be what Koncak, who averages about 30 points a game, does best." Quotes such as these in the Kansas City *Star* were numerous this season. And along with the attention received by the 6'10" Koncak came the extra attention and write ups for the entire team. This extra publicity affected each player slightly different. For example, Andy VanSlyke, 11, commented, "The publicity doesn't have a whole lot of effect, but I kind of like it, and it gets the team written up more and brings in a few more spectators." And Jack Steiner, 12, replied, "The publicity is good and bad; it brings more attention to the team, but with that it brings along some problems."

As always there were problems this season. But when a player was down or playing poorly, Joe Dee Beach was said to have helped lift spirits. Brian Eubanks, 12, noted, "Joe Dee always says, 'You're looking up or you're looking down;' he always has something positive to say to us all."

Even with the differences and ups and downs, most of the players were close on and off the court. A few members played together on the Independence Recreational summer league. This helped out on the court. Jim Mosby, 12, said it best when he replied, "Probably the one factor that's helped make us successful is our togetherness; we're all close friends."



ABOVE: Players stand attentive after receiving third place in the Center tournament.

ABOVE RIGHT: Surprising players and fans alike, Jon Koncak, 12, dunks his first for the season.

RIGHT: Andy VanSlyke, 11, takes his time in making an important free throw shot.



Jim Mosby, 12, displays his dribbling abilities.

CHS Opponent

21-5

73	63	Lee's Summit
56	47	Raytown
64	67	Bishop Hogan
56	54	William Chrisman
51	57	Shawnee Mission East
60	37	Belton
38	36	Fort Osage
77	54	Northeast
45	33	Liberty
72	50	North Kansas City
49	38	Hickman Mills
64	46	Excelsior Springs
90	46	Ruskin
63	58	Lee's Summit
72	63	Park Hill
42	37	Blue Valley
64	37	Belton
72	39	Fort Osage
56	42	Liberty
71	55	North Kansas City
80	52	Excelsior Springs
59	74	Rockhurst



ABOVE: At a William Chrisman tournament, forward, Tom Shaffer, 12, makes an inbound pass.

LEFT: Faking out the opposing team, Jack Steiner, 12, passes the ball.

BASKETBALL

Junior Varsity proves teamwork essential

BASKETBALL

"Basketball is really great. It gives me a chance to keep in shape," commented Tom Allred, 11. Others also used basketball as a way to get into shape for the oncoming track and tennis season.

Even though this year's J.V. record was not what they had hoped for, their comments reflected only compliments about the team. "We've really improved this year," stated Scott Foley, 10.

The J.V. coach, Mr. Larry Ford, was new to the job of coaching a Junior Varsity team. "Coach Ford is really a great coach; he pushes us to be our best. When we work hard in practice and games, he works hard to coach us toward a win," commented Glen Sands, 11.

Several players didn't like the fact that there was no sophomore team.

"I don't think I had enough experience this year. I hope to get to play more next year. We need a sophomore team, but floor practice time is already a problem," remarked Curt Arnold, 10. "The girls were using the Center North gym for practice time, but we never went over there." "Coach Ford used other methods of training," explained Todd Koelling, 11.

When asked what the most exciting game of the season was, Tom Allred, explained, "Against Raytown with six seconds left in the game, CHS is up by two points, with Mike McTernan shooting a free throw. If he makes it we've won, but he missed it. I really know he tried his hardest. He didn't lose the game, we did; we are a team."

Shaking hands after the game Preston Jones, 11, and Scott Foley 10, congratulate an opponent.



J.V. SQUAD—Front Row: Kurt Unruh, Curt Arnold, Walter Thompson, Tom Allred, Kirk Roberts, Mike McTernan; Back Row: Mike Whisler, Preston Jones, James White, Scott Foley, Pete Raske, Albert Janssens, Glen Sands, Coach Larry Ford.

Pushing his way through the Hickman Mills defense Kirk Roberts, 11, tries for two.



LEFT: Making his way down the court, Glen Sands, 11, fights through the defense.

BELOW: Concentrating on the game, Tom Allred, 11, watches the opponent.



CHS Opponent

8-6

41	37	Lee's Summit
55	56	Raytown
47	81	Shawnee Mission East
40	47	Belton
65	35	Fort Osage
37	40	Northeast
65	53	Liberty
62	46	North Kansas City
38	65	Blue Valley
59	43	Belton
50	37	Fort Osage
46	36	Liberty
62	48	North Kansas City
63	76	Excelsior Springs

Playing the position of center Todd Koelling, 11, displays his dribbling ability.

BASKETBALL

Despite few wins, Freshman play competitively

DISJUNCTIVE

The boys nervously lined up at the free throw line, anxiously awaiting the final buzzer. The Grandview player shot, and with one second left, the ball fell through the hoop. Thus, the Center Freshman team lost to Grandview 39-40. This story seemed to replay itself throughout the Freshman season. "Most of our opponents were bigger than we were and had more practice time; I'd say six out of ten of our games were lost by five points or less," stated Pat Johnston, 9.

Practice time and teamwork were listed as needed factors by team members. The team spent much time and practice aiding the other teams (such as Junior Varsity) in drills, etc. "We never had time to practice as a team," confided Paul Butler, 9. But how do the boys feel on the amount of teamwork they had? Although the boys, "worked pretty good together," as stated by Butler, teamwork was stressed heavily by the boys when asked to define a successful team. "My idea of a successful team is five people, on the court at one time, playing together as a team and not individuals; plus, everyone trying to play their

best to win the game," cited Freshman player Steve Aaron.

As for playing together, Coach Howard Glavin had this to say about the team. "It took the boys a little while to come together, coming from different schools," confessed Glavin. "We were probably a little small, competing against people bigger than we were. Our practice schedule was also complicated. We weren't sure when we'd practice or how long. Despite all this, I feel the boys played well together," concluded Glavin. "We had a lot of talent and it took time for us to come together," finished Aaron.

When asked if there was anything they'd like done differently, the players generally agreed on more practice time; time set aside for the Freshmen to practice with the Freshmen. More attention was also listed as something they wished they'd had more of—attention, such as being included in the morning announcements.

Such was the saga of the first year of the Freshman Basketball team at the high school. Summarizing, Butler stated, "Although we haven't been very successful winning, I've learned a lot this year."



FRESHMAN SQUAD—Front Row: Ken Johnson, Paul Butler, Paul Howe, Lonnie Carter, Randy Soltz, Eddy Mathany, Clint Slusher. Back Row: Steve Aaron, Russell Liberty, Mike Fugitt, Bob Gilbertson, Eric Ellegard, Pat Johnston, Tracy Webb. Not Pictured: Steve Holmes.

RIGHT: Moving on a fastbreak, Paul Butler, 9, dribbles downcourt.





LEFT: Eric Ellegard, 9, attempts to tip the ball to teammate Paul Howe, 9.

BELOW: Releasing the ball for a free throw, Steve Aaron, 9, waits in expectation.



CHS OPPONENT

2-12

34	73	Bridger
55	39	Excelsior Springs
37	50	Winnetonka
62	73	Lee's Summit
45	58	Palmer
54	61	North Kansas City
33	51	Raytown South
36	41	Grandview East
41	42	North Kansas City
39	40	Grandview
33	52	William Chrisman
47	46	North Kansas City
42	47	Pemday
39	44	Ervin Jr. High

Paul Butler, 9, prepares to move the ball on offense.

BASKETBALL

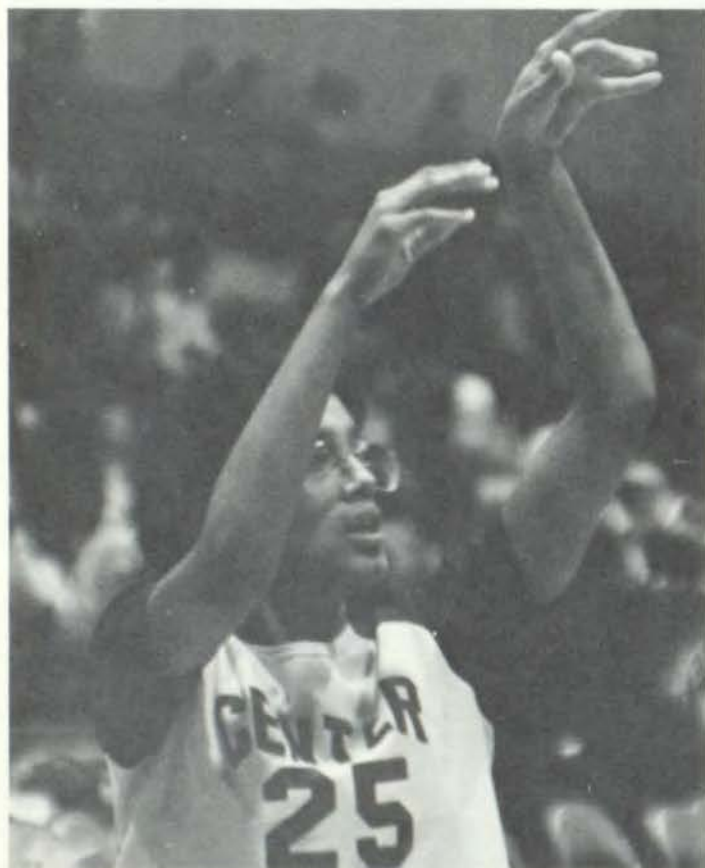
Team learns valuable lesson from new season

Finding a seat at a girls' varsity basketball game wasn't too hard, but despite the slim attendance the team learned some valuable lessons and possible solutions to their failing attendance.

Perhaps the most profound of these lessons was that of not depending on one member to carry the rest of the team. "After Julia Koncak was injured, the team realized that they needed to pull themselves together and work more like a team instead of depending on one person, like Julia," pointed out Coach Debbie Artman. "I was really proud how the team finished out the year; we proved to ourselves we could win," concluded the coach.

One main reason that the girls' games had very few spectators was that they were scheduled on the same nights as the boys'. This, many team members felt, drew many potential fans from the girls' game. "It seemed every time we had a game the guys had a home game or tournament," stated Leah Breckenridge. "If we could have scheduled our games on a Friday I think a lot more people would have showed up and this would have allowed the band and drill team to perform, which would have drawn even more people," concluded Leah.

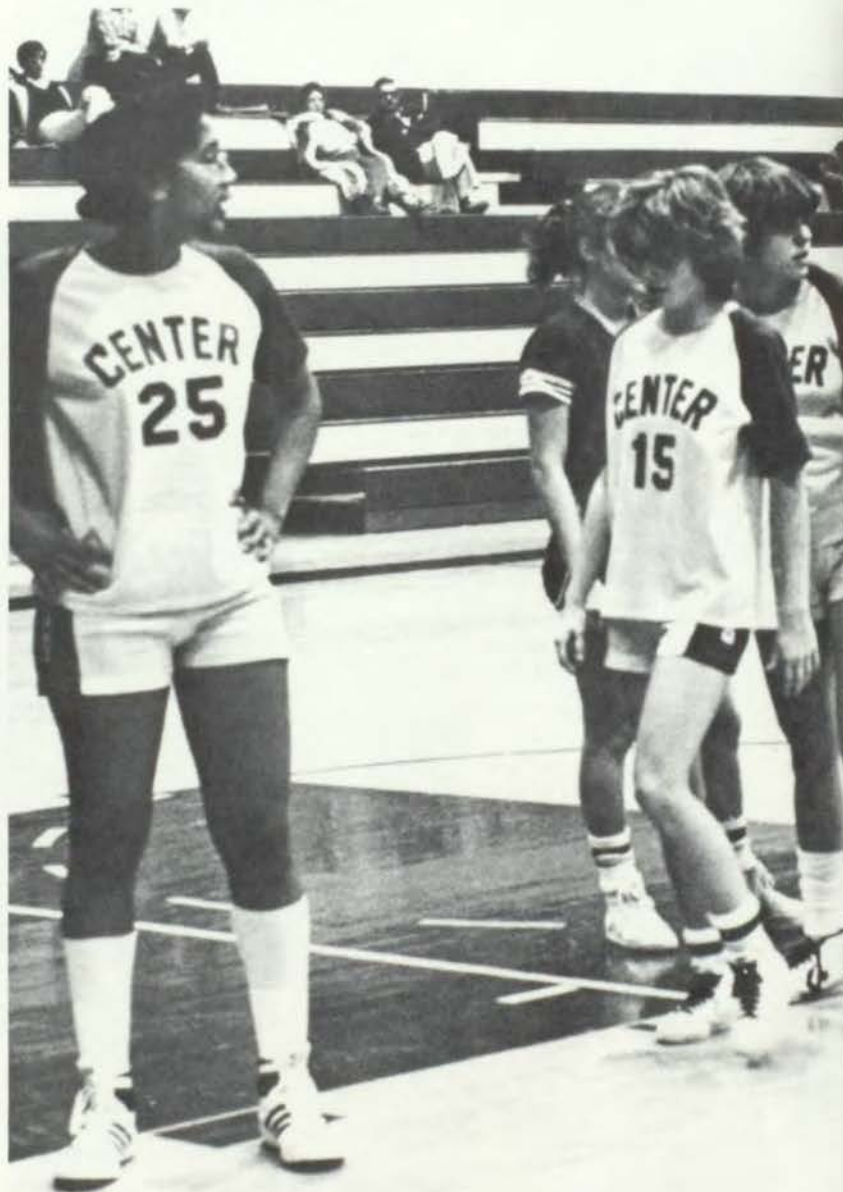
"I think girls' basketball is just as exciting as guys; I only wish they would compromise on the schedule," summed up Roger Heard.



ABOVE: Following through on an outside pass, Jamie Collins, 11, looks for the rebound.

RIGHT: Setting up an offensive play Sara Westgate, Leah Breckenridge, Karen Ferguson, Jamie Collins, wait for the ball.

UPPER RIGHT: Putting on the half court press Karen Ferguson, 12, Leah Breckenridge, 11, pressure the opponents.





LEFT: Taking the ball from the referee, Diane Batliner, 12, starts the second quarter.

VARSITY SQUAD—Front Row: Coach Debbie Artman, Coach Cal Groff; Second Row: Karen Ferguson, Marsha Ginson, Diane Batliner, Therese Donahue, Tina Hurtado, Julia Koncak, Jamie Collins, Sara Westgate, Janice Mackay, Leah Breckenridge, Debbie Locklear.



CHS OPPONENT

14-11

52	28	Blue Valley
67	34	Ruskin
56	40	O'Hara
33	66	Hickman Mills
45	48	Truman
60	37	Belton
46	58	Fort Osage
61	42	Raytown
40	44	Liberty
72	54	Grandview
39	51	North Kansas City
66	42	William Chrisman
44	32	Shawnee Mission South
36	37	Oak Park
30	45	Leavenworth
39	44	Ruskin
87	54	Excelsior Springs
52	40	O'Hara
53	50	Blue Springs
59	55	Lee's Summit
55	38	Belton
51	52	Fort Osage
40	44	Liberty
39	51	North Kansas City
87	54	Excelsior Springs

Looking for an opening in the defense, Leah Breckenridge makes a pass.

BASKETBALL

DISKETBALL

Team struggles with losses, keeps determination

Looking around the bleachers at a girls' Junior Varsity Basketball game, one could see very few spectators. Out on the court one could hardly tell the difference from a Varsity Girls' game except for, possibly, the score and the coach. At the J.V. game, the coach sat placidly as the girls hustled back and forth, up and down the court, unlike the Varsity game, where the coach yelled needed information to players—and most importantly encouragement.

Despite this, the team kept pushing themselves. "As for dedication, I put as much of myself into it as possible. True, we didn't win many games, but we really did put ourselves into it," explained Stephanie Simson, 10. "The team isn't winning, and because of that I think it's great the way they continue to try their hardest," commented manager Lori Williams. Also needed among the players was unity for executing plays as a team.

"Our main problem was the "I" team, certain individuals playing as individuals instead of as a unit," confided Debbie Locklear, 11. "Most of the players worked really hard. Even

so, it would really be nice if the people could compliment one another instead of gripe," added Therese Donahue, 11.

Describing the season, the players saw definite improvement. After a series of practices, the girls felt changes had occurred. "Our defense started getting better and we started working together around the middle of the season. We didn't have a bench, so everyone played. The J.V. team readies us for Varsity and the coaches look for and recognize this," explained Junior player Cheryl Eimer. "Success would be getting everyone to work together. I think we really could win if everyone worked together," reflected Donahue.

Amidst the things listed as things they'd like to do over, came a more caring coach, more people (depth), and better teamwork. "I've learned more this year, simply because I've played so much" concluded Eimer. "If we started all over, I'd like more team practice, winning once in awhile, and everyone working together," summarized Locklear.



ABOVE: Attempting a goal, Therese Donahue, 11, moves between defenders.

RIGHT: Surrounded by opponents, Stephanie Simson, 10, puts the ball up.



LEFT: Andi Czarlinsky, 10, moves to get back on defense.

BELOW LEFT: As Debbie Locklear, 11, passes inbounds, Stephanie Simson, 10, counters her.

JUNIOR VARSITY—Front Row: Cheryl Eimer, Linda Mitchell, Debbie Locklear. Back Row: Coach Debbie Artman, Kris Hase, Traci Masters, Therese Donahue, Stephanie Simson, Andi Czarlinsky, Angie Sanders, Coach Cal Groff.



Andi Czarlinsky, 10, goes for the shot as Della Heidbrink, 9, looks on.

CHS OPPONENTS

0-16

21	45	Blue Valley
24	36	Truman
18	32	Belton
17	49	Fort Osage
28	44	Raytown
15	50	Liberty
21	50	Grandview
17	37	North Kansas City
20	47	William Chrisman
18	29	Ruskin
40	45	Excelsior Springs
27	33	Belton
32	49	Fort Osage
37	53	Liberty
37	60	North Kansas City
42	43	Excelsior Springs

BASKETBALL

Teamwork, closeness produce successful season

DISKETBALL

With the hours of practice and the time the girls spent building up their endurance levels, and despite the near cancellation of the team before it began, the freshmen season ended in success. The team was nearly cancelled because of the delayed appointment of a coach and a lack of girls interested in the team.

Mrs. Susan Poppe became the girls' coach shortly before practices began. The girls really appreciated their coach's constant understanding and direction. They attributed much

of their success to her guidance. "The whole team thinks a lot of her and that makes a lot of difference in the way we play," stated Jeannie Kee, 9.

Because the team consisted of only eight members, the girls worked extra hard to get along with one another. "Our teamwork is our most valuable quality because we all work together excellently," explained Della Heidbrink, 9. Our team is like one big, happy family," added Micki Watson, 9.



GIRLS' FRESHMAN SQUAD—Front Row: Rhonda Meyer, Shana Cunneen, Della Heidbrink, Micki Grant, Toni Fuqua. Back Row: Coach Susan Watson, Kathy Keller, Jeannie Kee, Roger Heard, Poppe, Lisa Mitchell, Melissa Albright, Suzanne manager.

RIGHT: Despite opponents' defense, Jeannie Kee, 9, adds two more points to the score.





LEFT: Coach Poppe calls time out to discuss the next play.

BELOW: Despite strong blocking from her opponent, Shanna Cuneen, 9, shoots the ball.



CHS OPPONENT

6-4

37	25	Blue Valley
53	36	Palmer A
40	27	Grandview East
33	55	Pearson Jr. High
26	23	Winnetonka
42	50	Wm. Chrisman
30	20	Blue Valley
Palmer tournament		
26	25	Ray South
33	36	Smith Hale
38	49	O'Hara

Della Heidbrink, 9, awaits the return of the ball.

WRESTLING

Varsity squad considers efforts worthwhile

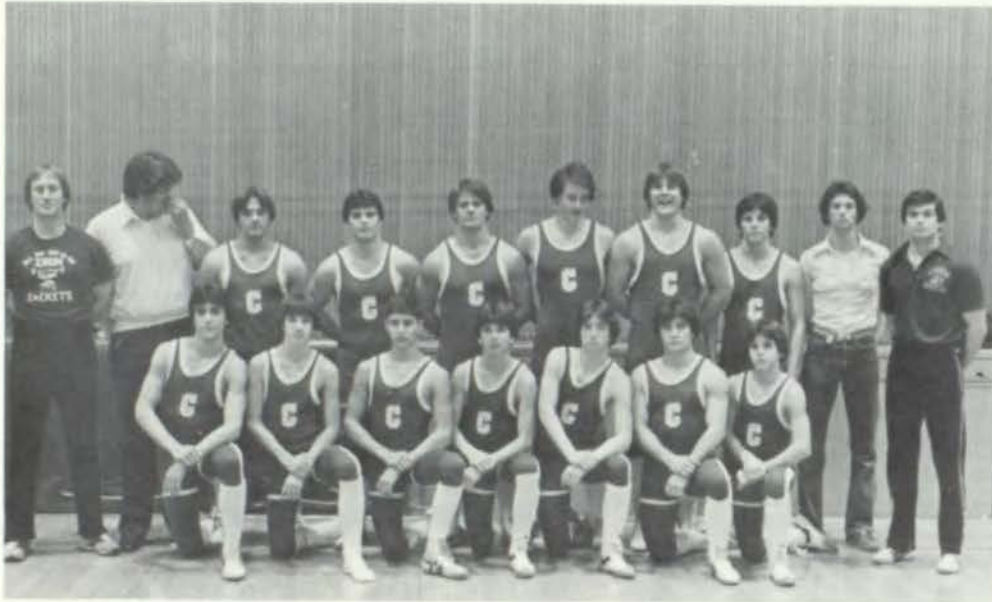
WRESTLING

Aching muscles, scratches, bruises, sprains, and dislocated shoulders or knees frequently resulted from the six minute encounters. It would seem that the roughness of the sport would discourage the boys; however, most of the wrestlers expressed that it only motivated them further. "It gives you a strong sense of accomplishment to stick it out and do something that might be a little tough on you," commented Jack Brandom, 12.

Due to the many injuries, the season was slightly tougher than usual. The recurrent injuries affected their

performance. The wrestlers tried to overcome this through dedication. Shannon Blackwood, 12, explained, "The majority of the wrestlers really dedicated themselves, even if they were injured they still put everything they had into each of the matches."

Though wrestling required a lot of hard work and self-discipline, most of the wrestlers admitted that the rewards of the sport outweighed the problems. "Wrestling has given me a sense of accomplishment and a lot of self-satisfaction; knowing that I can do something well," replied Danny Garcia, 11.

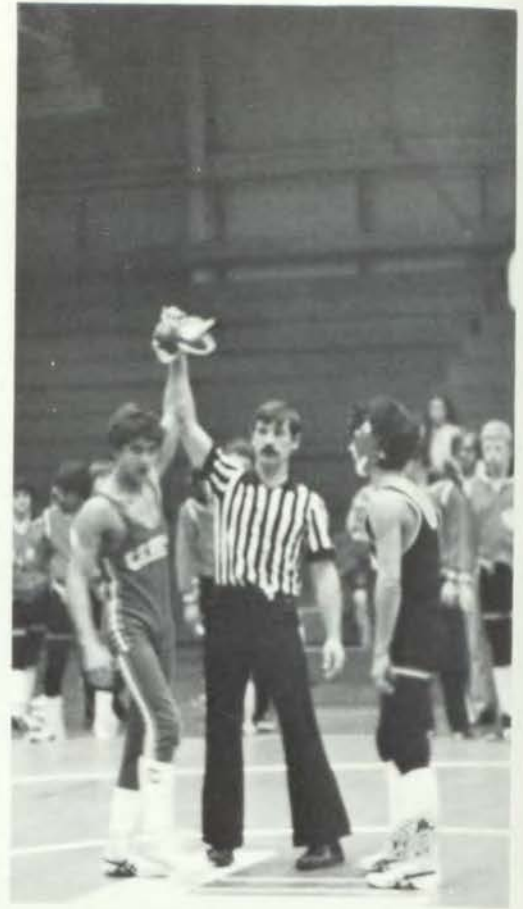


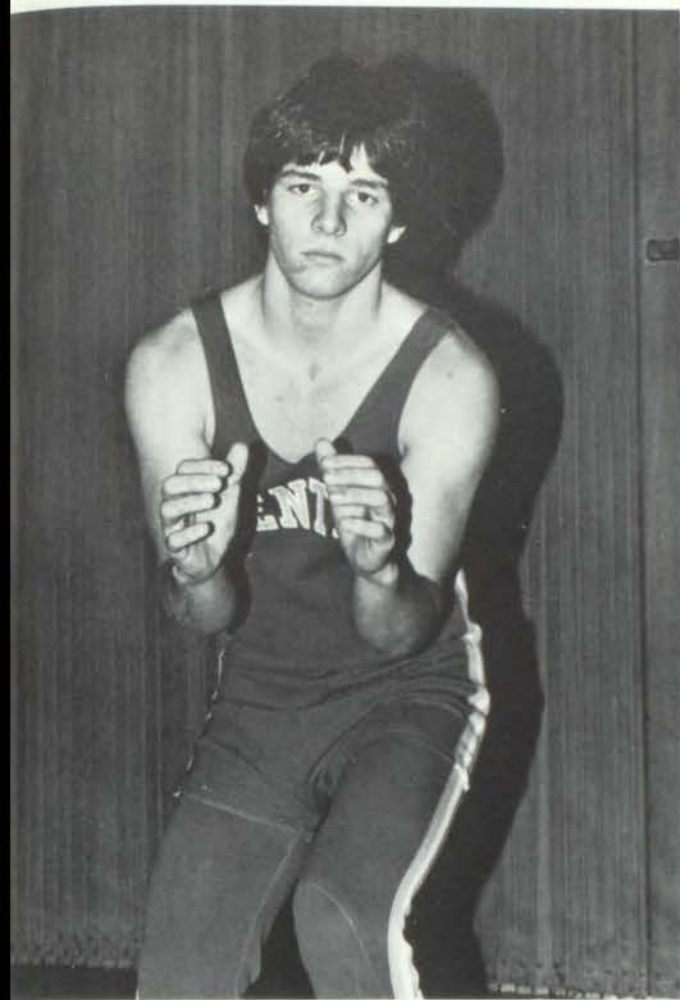
VARSITY SQUAD—Front Row: Todd Swartz, 11, David Welsh, 9, Danny Garcia, 11, Mike Montgomery, 9, Mark Miles, 10, Rick King, 11, Mark Sartory, 10. Back Row: Coach Tom Irvin, manager Jeremiah Randolph, 11, Craig Long, 12, Joe Deardorff, 12, Jack Brandom, 12, Greg Welsh, 12, Mike Jones, 11, Shannon Blackwood, 12, Mark Swendrowski, 12, Coach Dave Purviance.

ABOVE RIGHT: After a meet, Mark Eimer, 12, congratulates Jack Brandom, 12, on his performance.

RIGHT: Poised in his starting position, Rick King, 11, anxiously awaits the bell.

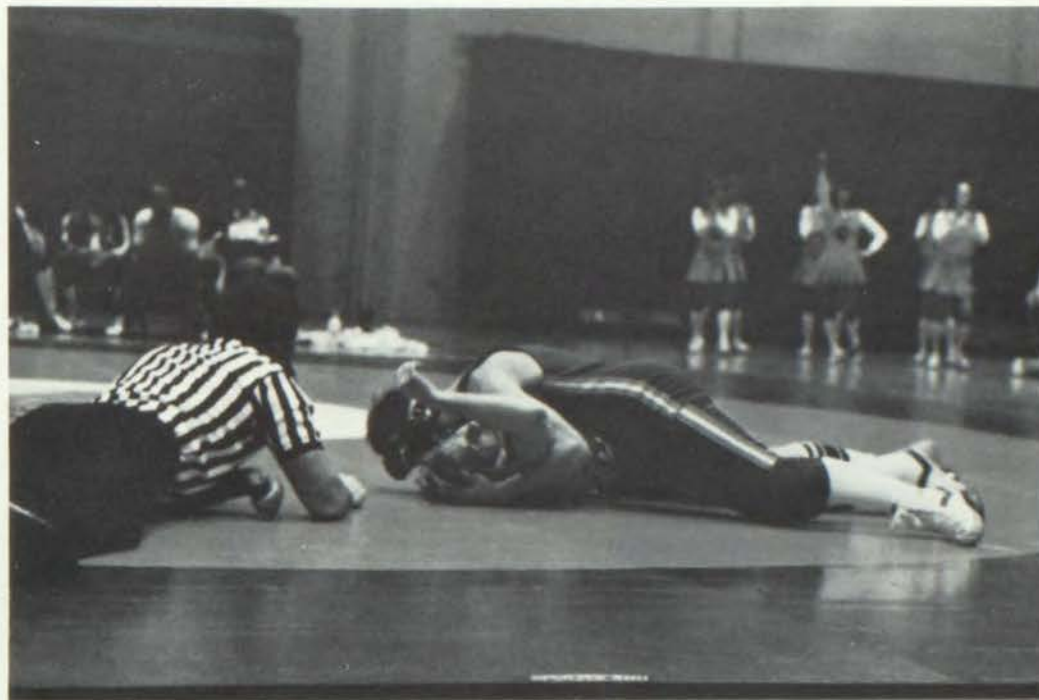
To acknowledge his victory, the umpire raises Junior Danny Garcia's hand.





LEFT: Shannon Blackwood, 12, demonstrates a starting position.

BELOW: With only a few seconds remaining on the clock, Greg Welsh, 12, forces his opponent to a pin.

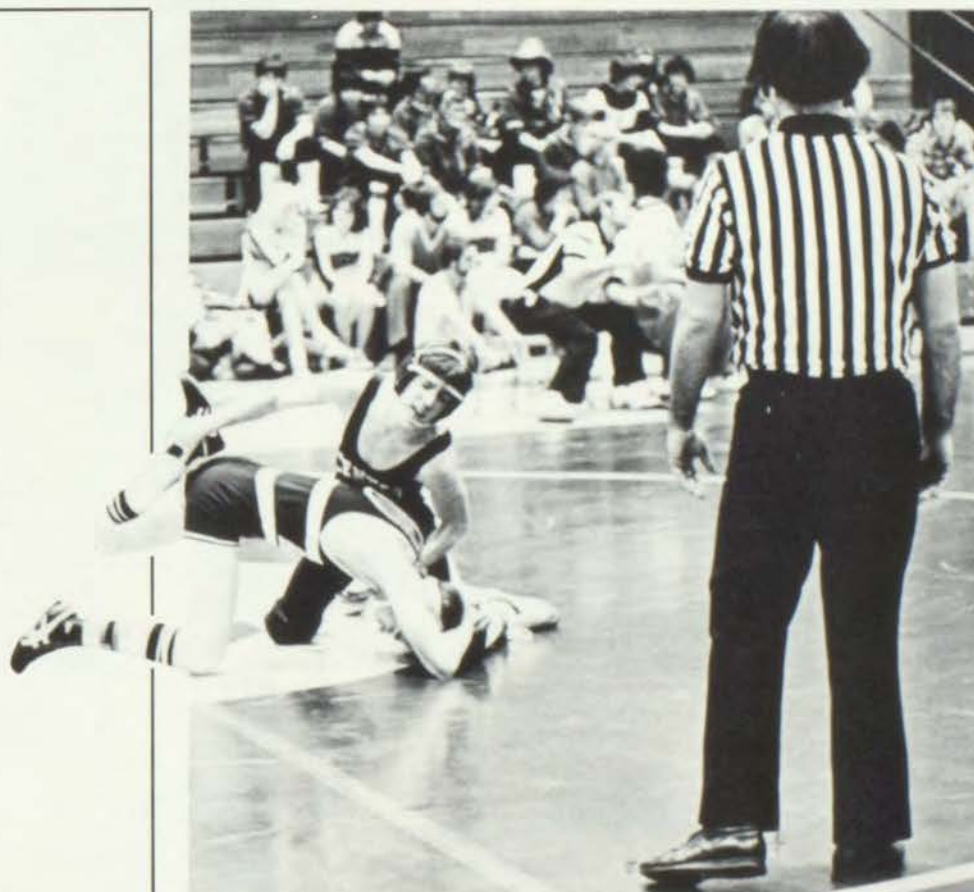


CHS OPPONENT

4-6-1

32	39	Truman
58	12	Hickman Mills Liberty Quad - 1st
35	30	Cameron
53	24	Odessa
53	19	Raytown
10	49	Excelsior Springs
18	50	North Kansas City
30	42	Liberty Raymore Peculiar Quad - 2nd
43	26	Raymore Peculiar
58	14	Pem Day
34	36	Pleasant Hill
35	35	Rockhurst Grandview Quad - 3rd
29	42	Oak Park
26	42	Grandview
39	27	Rockhurst
27	40	Belton
33	38	Fort Osage

4th Center Invitational Tournament
 7th Oak Park Invitational Tournament
 6th North Kansas City Invitational
 7th District Tournament



Attempting a pin, Mark Miles, 10, stacks his opponent.

WRESTLING

J.V. Squad gains experience, prepares for future

"In a few years we should have a champion team, because we'll have the experience of a lot of four-year members," explained Todd Swartz, 11. Although the addition of freshmen caused a few problems in other areas, it benefitted the wrestling program.

Even though strength played an important role in the matches, most wrestlers agreed that experience was the key factor behind the sport. David Stroud, 9, commented, "I'm glad I got started in wrestling my freshman year, because the more experience you have the better off you will be."

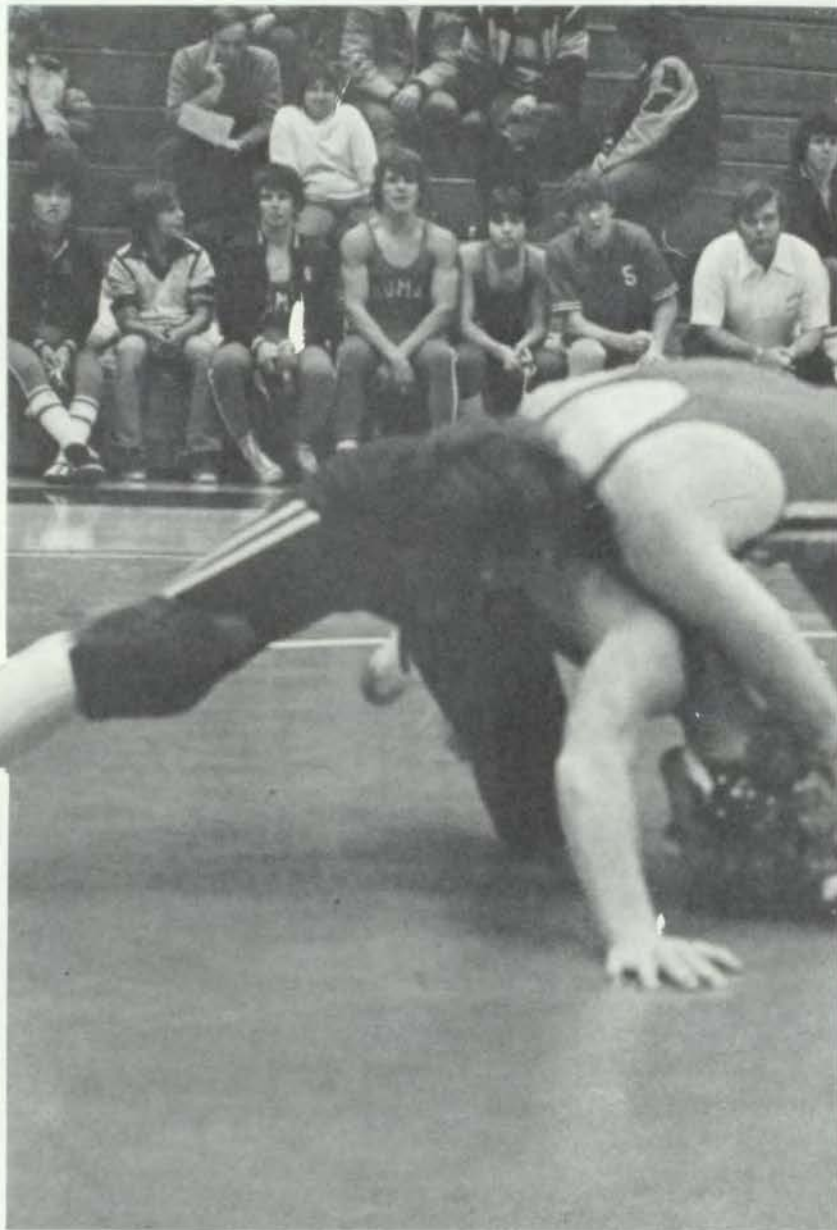
As well as providing the less experienced members with the chance to sharpen their skills, some of the J.V. wrestlers expressed that wrestling gave them the opportunity to prove themselves. Steve Mosby, 9, replied, "When you're wrestling, it's just you out there and you have to go all out because if you mess up there is no one else to blame."



CHS OPPONENT

3-4-1

6	45	Truman
58	22	Hickman
44	24	Raytown
0	70	Excelsior Springs
3	64	North Kansas City
44	18	Liberty
19	49	Rockhurst
36	36	Belton

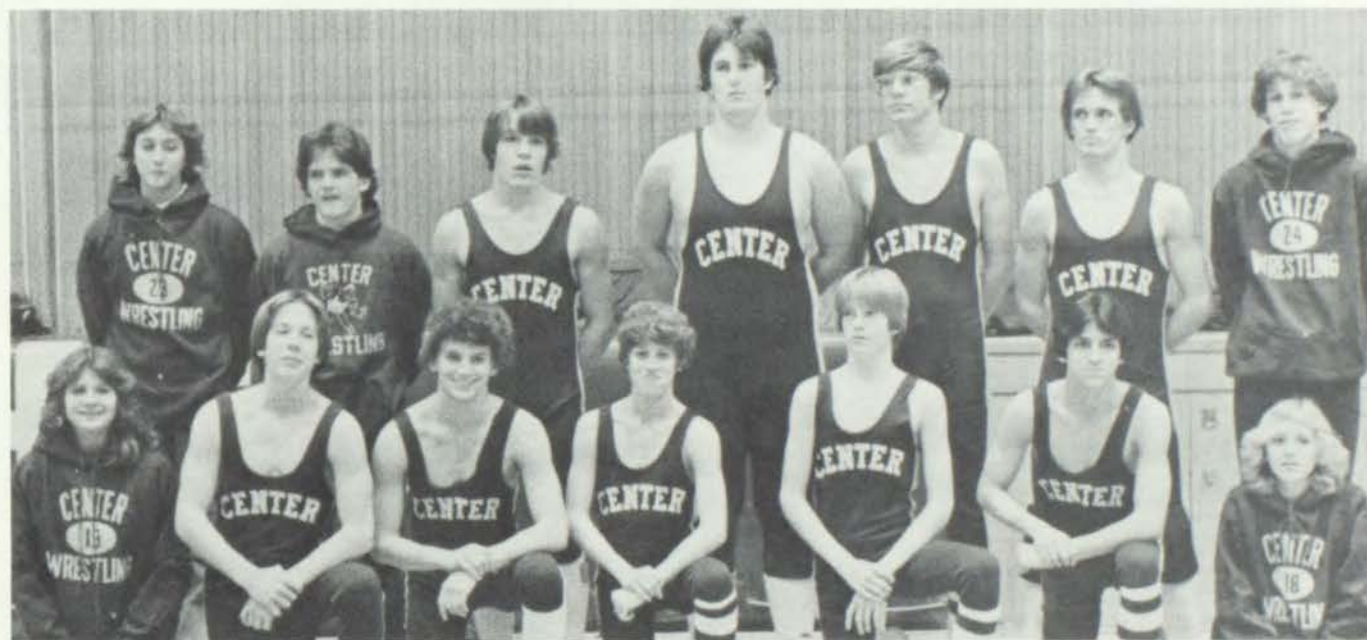
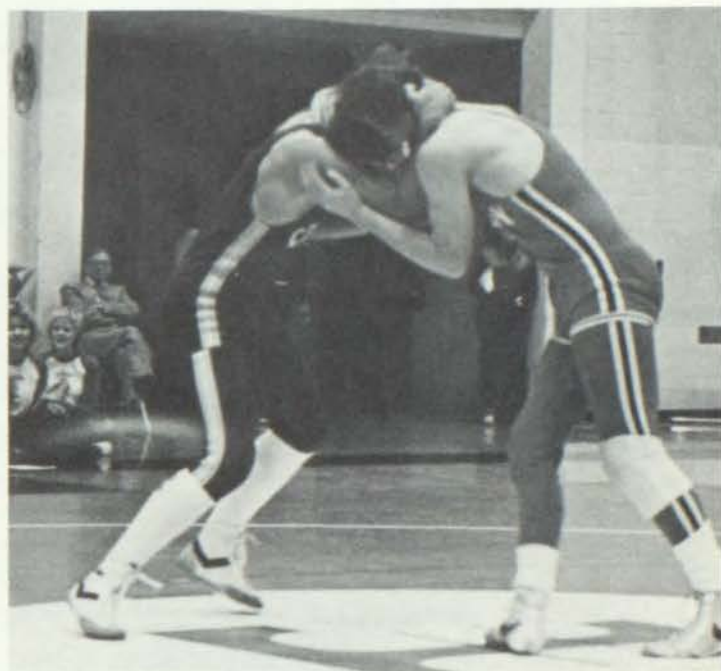
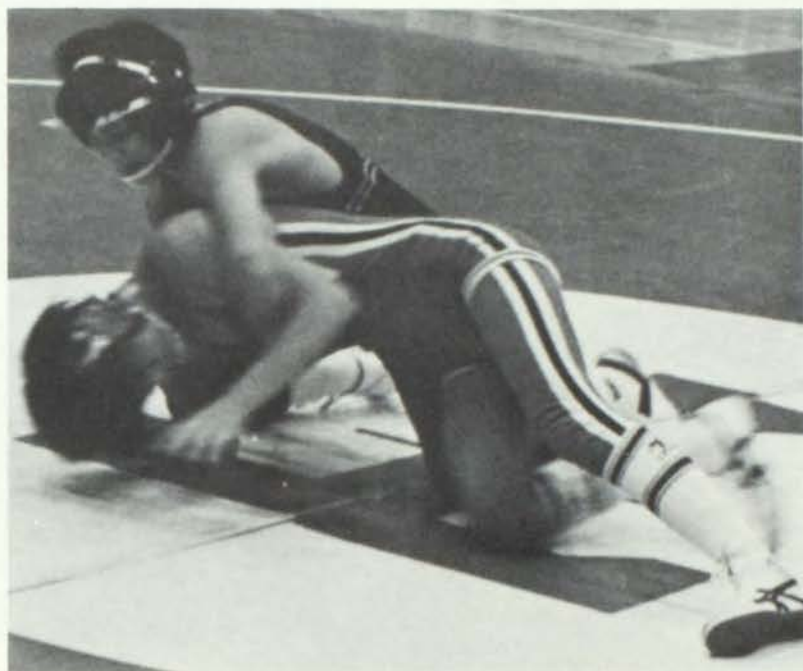


Tyler Cox, 10, breaks out of his opponent's hold.

LEFT: Charles Christy, 11, struggles to take his opponent down.

FAR RIGHT: Todd Wilcher, 10, tries to force his opponent to the mat.

BELOW: With his opponent in a head lock, Mark Sartory, 10, attempts a pin.



J.V. SQUAD—Front Row; Manager Lynn Marley, 9, John Stone, 9, Bob Oxler, 9, Jim Kissinger, 10, Bill Goodson, 10, Chuck Potter, 10, David Stroud, 9, Dan Crouch, 9, Steve Mosby, 9, Scott Ponick, 9, James Russell, 11, Tom Smith, 9, manager Carrie Conard, 9. Back Row: manager Carol Brown, 10,

SWIMMING

Swimmers improve times, two attend state meet

Swim teams in the past may have had more successful seasons on paper, but according to Coach John Musgrave and the team members, the swim program has achieved a great deal throughout the year.

"As far as practice goes, we're improving," commented Mr. Musgrave. "It's nice to win, but if the kids are lowering their times, then we're successful."

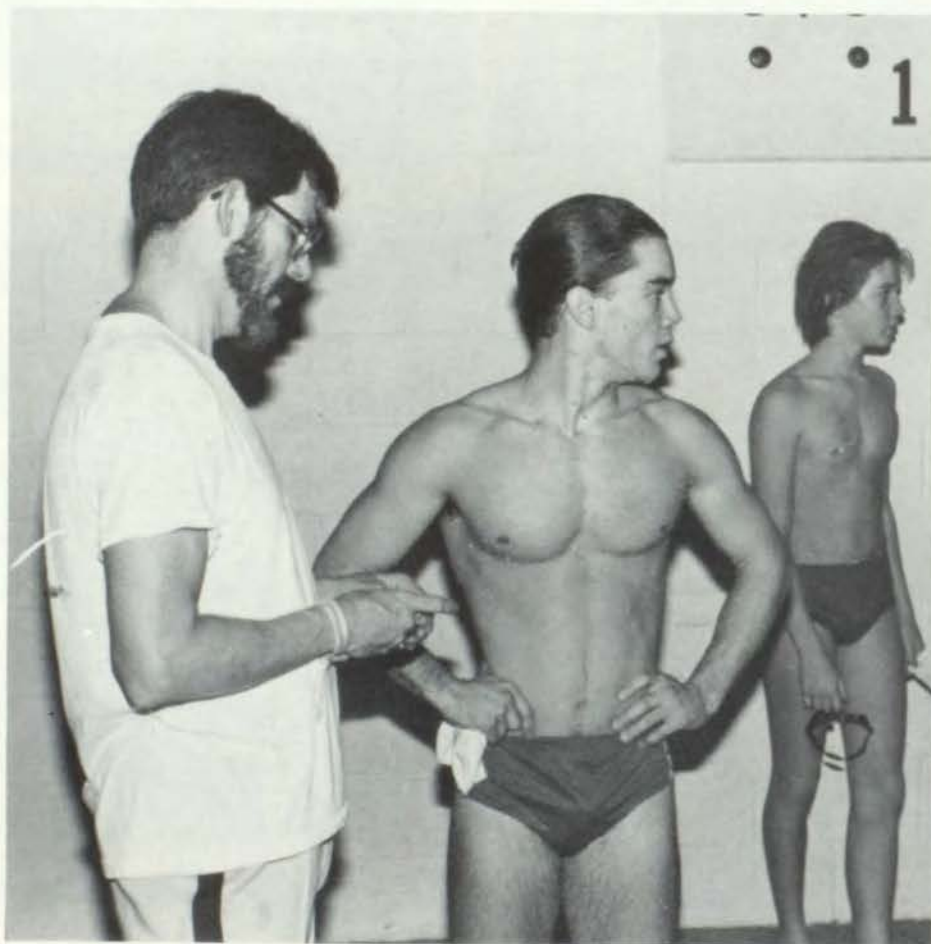
The primary difficulty the team encountered was the small number participating.

"We have a lot of talent in different areas, but we still have a hard time covering them due to our size," stated Kent Brisley, 12.

"Schools like Park Hill and Raytown have 30 to 40 kids on their teams," added Mr. Musgrave. "We have 15, and that makes it a little tougher."

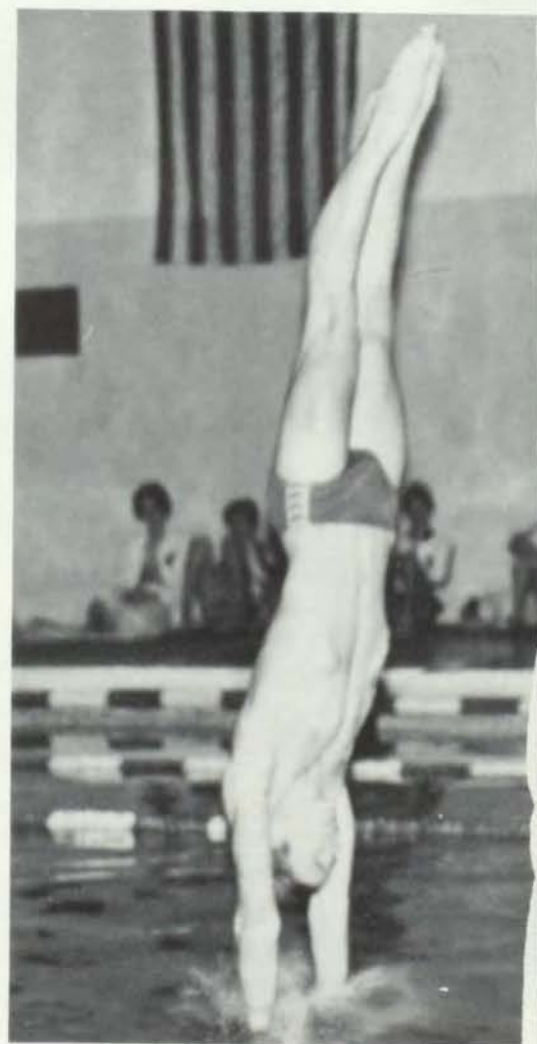
But despite problems with team size, two swimmers qualified for state competition. Kent Brisley qualified in diving, and took first in every meet but two. Scott Kennedy, 11, satisfied state requirements in the 200, 100, and 50 yard freestyle, the 200 yard individual medley, and the 100 yard breast stroke events.

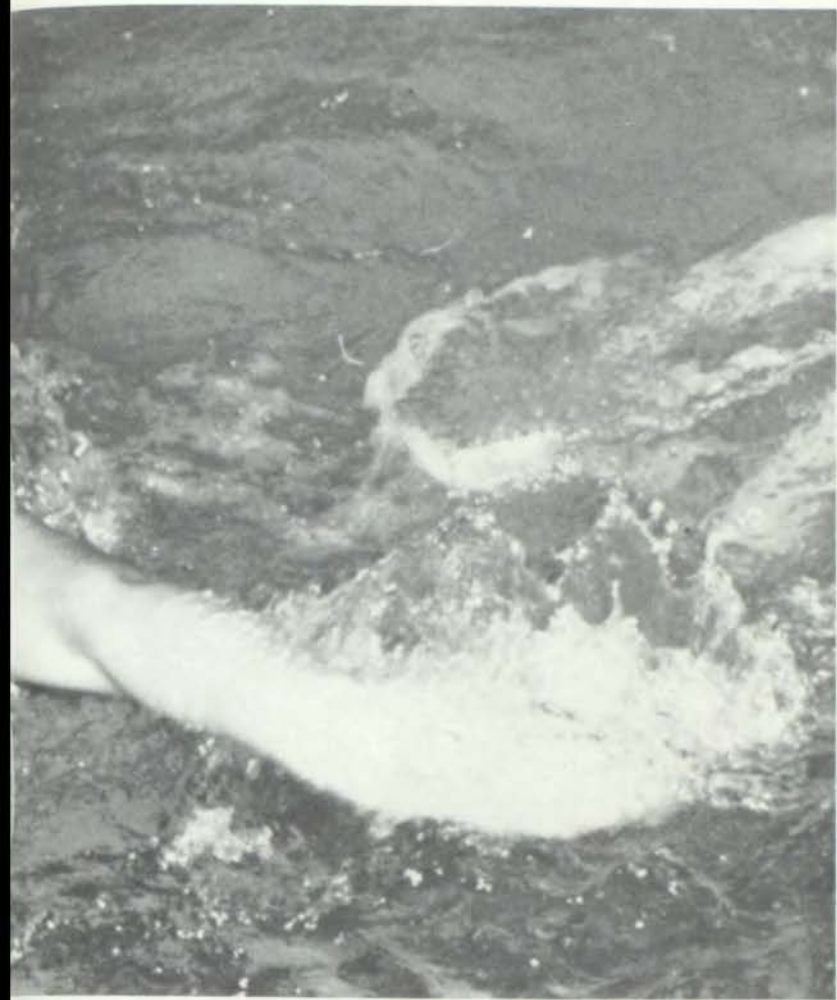
"For our number we've done well," added Mr. Musgrave. "The team is getting more competitive, and that has taken hard work."



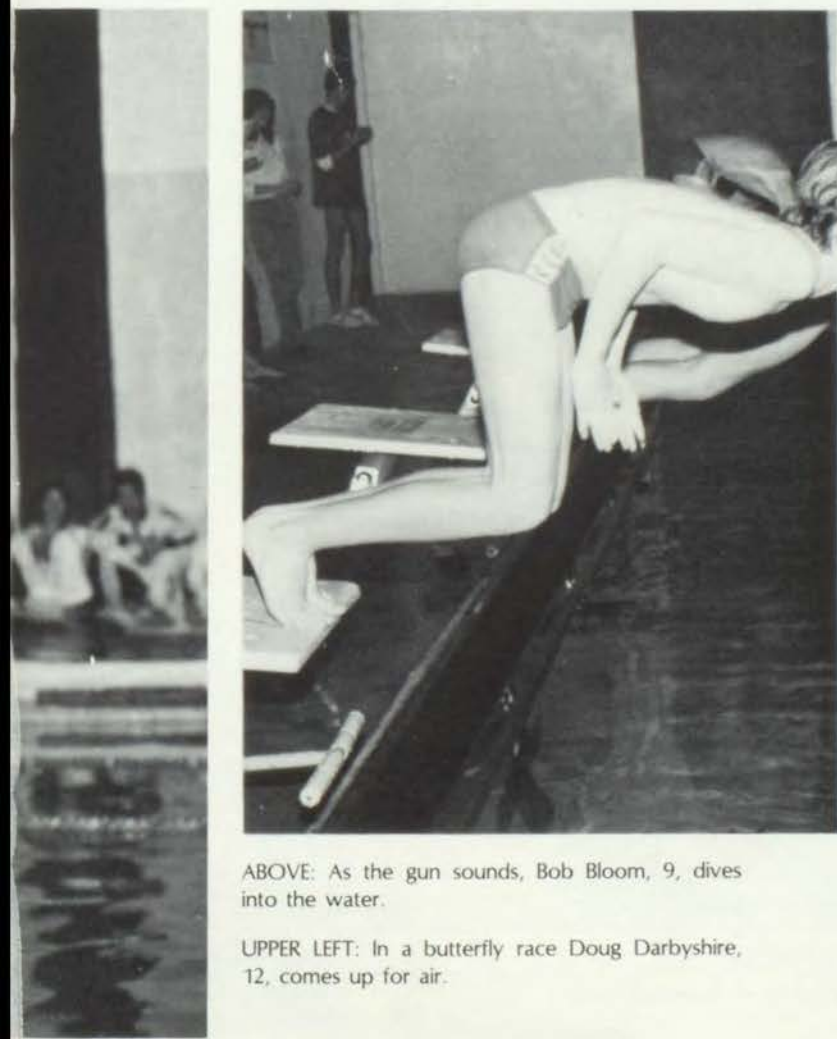
ABOVE: While Frank Sbisà, 12, watches a race, Mr. Musgrave checks his stop watch.

RIGHT: Plunging through the water, Kent Brisley, 12, performs another dive.





SWIM SQUAD—Front Row: Jim Kuecker, Bob Bloom, Rich Caffrey, Greg Bueker, Scott Hooper, Jim Albright, Frank Sbisà; Back Row: Robbie Gillenwater, Wayne Janzen, Doug Darbyshire, Gregg Peters, Chris Fiorella, Scott Kenndy, John Snider, Kent Brisley, Mark Eaton, Coach Musgrave.



ABOVE: As the gun sounds, Bob Bloom, 9, dives into the water.

UPPER LEFT: In a butterfly race Doug Darbyshire, 12, comes up for air.

CHS Opponent

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50	121	Truman
66	103	Liberty
77	88	Blue Springs
95	69	Southwest
56	115	Park Hill
50	117	Raytown South
76	92	St. Joe Central
61	106	Raytown
22	61	Pem Day
49	32	Blue Valley

MANAGERS

Managers devote time, effort to success of teams

MANAGERS

"Being a manager makes me feel like an important part of the team," commented girls' Basketball Manager Dianne Christy, 10. Center's sports' managers have played a vital role in the success of the teams, but many students don't realize the time and effort put forth by them.

"I spend an hour to two hours every day after school with the team, and then about four hours at games," stated Dianne.

Most managers chose their jobs simply through enjoyment of the sport.

"I wasn't able to play on the team, but I really enjoy football," remarked Football Manager David Smothers, 11.

"I felt the girls would have a great year, and I wanted to be a part of it," stated girls Basketball Manager Roger Heard, 12.

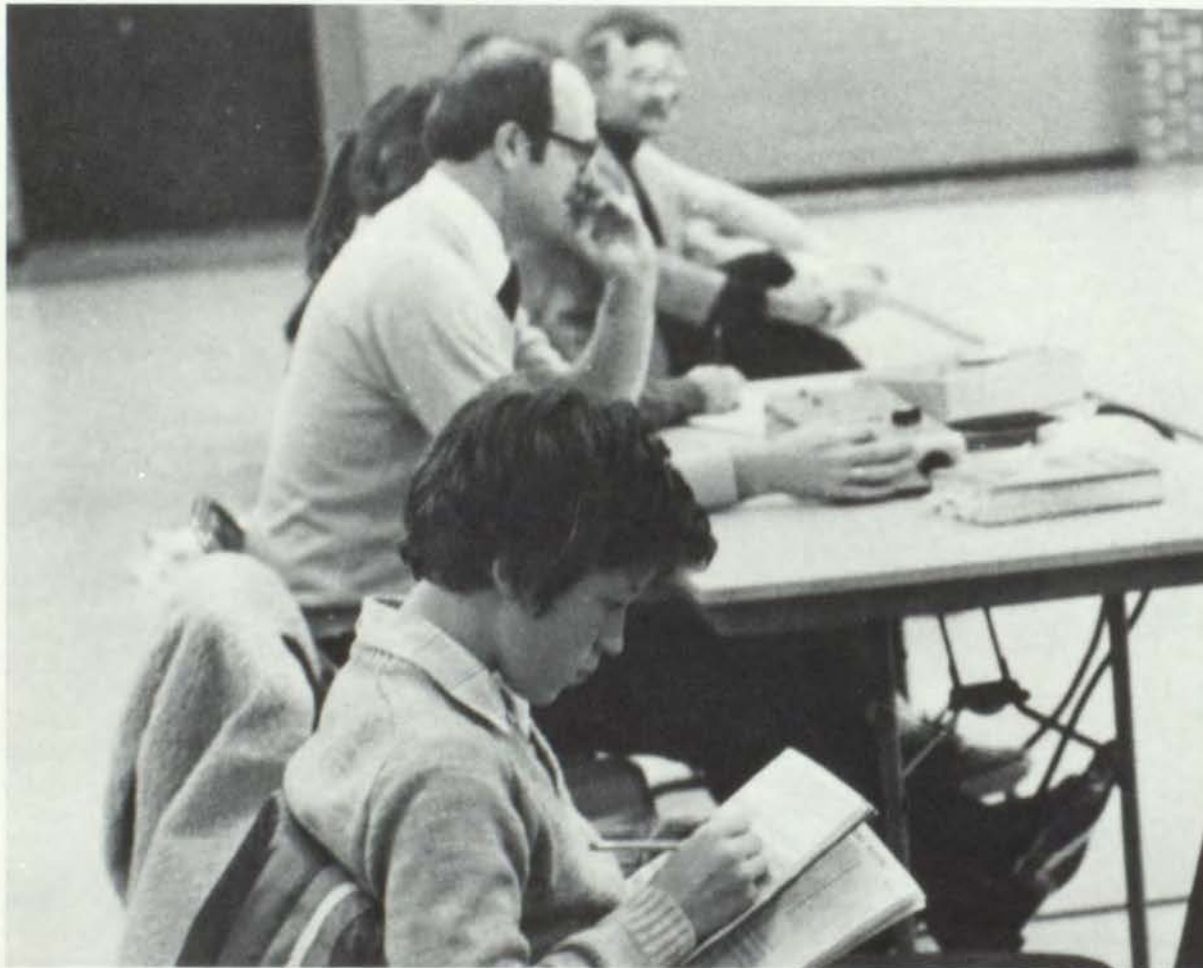
Basic duties of managers included such areas as equipment care, first aid procedures, game charts, getting water and towels, and checking out uniforms to sport, but duties varied from sport to sport.

"My main duties involved helping with drills and filming the games," stated Roger.

Most managers agreed that many rewards could be gained from their positions on the teams.

"You get to meet people from other schools all the time," stated boys' Basketball Manager Andy Slusher, 11, "and your interest is increased in all school sports, not just your own."

"Players really helped when some managers were sick," Andy continued. "Managers appreciate polite players. They make it easier for everyone."



ABOVE: Wayne Locklear, 9, keeps stats for the freshman boys' basketball team.



FAR LEFT: David Smothers, 11, folds football uniforms for the varsity team.

LEFT: At a boys' varsity basketball game, Andy Slusher, 11, raises the player name board.

GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL MANAGERS—Front Row: Jacki Smart, Dianne Christy, Leah Frazier. Back Row: Kim Romi, Lorie Williams, Roger Heard, Diane Weinzirl, Rhonda Collins.



ABOVE: Pam Frazier, 12, and Dianne Christy, 9, watch the shots at a girls' basketball game.

LEFT: Lori Williams, 11, distributes water to the girls J.V. basketball team.

VARSITY SQUAD

Varsity cheerleading squad just one big family

"The Center versus Ruskin football game was the most exciting moment in my career of cheerleading," commented Nancy Clark, 11.

Nancy added that she enjoyed being a varsity cheerleader immensely, and that only a few drawbacks came with the job. "It took up a lot of time," she stated.

Julie Tavernaro, 11, entertained the idea of being a college cheerleader and decided she would enjoy it. "Yes, I'm interested, but college cheerleading is more difficult," she said.

Several requirements were needed to try out for the varsity cheerleading squad. A member of the Spirit Club the previous year, a 2.0 grade average, teacher evaluations, an original cheer, two required cheers, and a novelty cheer filled these requirements.

Kevin Levine, a sophomore yell leader, expressed a mutual attitude shared by the other members of the squad. "The job is very demanding and you have to devote a lot of time, money, and hard work. The squad is always counting on you to be there. We're like a family; if someone is absent, it's not the same."

Jeff Davis, another sophomore yell leader, rated on a scale from one to five, the student body's spirit at sports activities. "It's about three and one-half, but it's getting better." Kristin Zinn, 12, considered the rating to be a four.

ABOVE RIGHT: Engrossed in the basketball game, Kevin Levine, 10, Mike Mahoney, 12, and Sandi Meyer, 11, watch with rapt attention.

RIGHT: Trying to follow the actions of Debbie Aaron, 12, Victoria Caruso participates in a cheer.



"The people I work with are so neat!" —Patsy Tavernaro, 12.



LEFT: Contributing to the spirit of the Blue and Gold game is Nancy Clark, 11.

BELOW: The Yell Leaders form a pyramid to hold up Mike Middleton, 10, as he shouts a chant.



VARSITY SQUAD—Nancy Clark, Jeff Davis, Julie Tavernaro, Kevin Levine, Sandi Meyer, Jim Hamrick, Debbie Aaron, Mike Middleton, Kristin Zinn, Tom Tavernaro, Patsy Tavernaro, Mike Mahoney.

CHEERLEADERS

Cheerleaders learn to handle responsibilities

Chanting spiritedly throughout the games involved only one of the Junior Varsity squad's responsibilities. Their duties began early in the summer when they practiced an hour each morning and continued throughout the year as they practiced an hour each week. They decided not to attend camp, but instead, to spend their money on new uniforms. They held carwashes and sold pens to raise money. Being a good cheerleader took a lot of time and effort, but the girls felt it was rewarding. "Being a cheerleader has helped me to become more outgoing," expressed Mary Grooms, 10.

The Freshman squad held as many responsibilities as the Junior Varsity squad. They also decided not to attend camp, but practice each morning during the summer and an hour each week throughout the year. They also attended not only freshmen games, but varsity and junior varsity sports as well. Captain Becky Bauer added, "Being a cheerleader has taught me self-discipline."



JV SQUAD - Bottom: Jill Sappington, Lorie Cowan, Leianne Whittle, captain; Middle: Mary Grooms, Melinda Baughman; Top: Cari Franke.

JV leads cheers at home football game.



"Cheerleading gets a little hectic, but it's worth it."—Leianne Whittle, 11.

LEFT: Jumping high at a Varsity game, Leianne Whittle shows school spirit.

BELOW: Lorrie Cowan and Mary Grooms lead the crowd in cheers at a JV game.



Observing a basketball game, Becky Bauer cheers encouraging words.



ABOVE: FRESHMAN SQUAD—Front Row: Mary Flack; Back Row: Tiffany Rawlings, Kathy Hall, Mendy Wilson, Jennifer Roudebush, Becky Bauer, captain.

LEFT: During a freshman football game, Kathy Hall takes a break.

WRESTLETTES

Devoted Wrestlettes faithfully distribute spirit and support

While two young men struggled for a victory, chants and applause echoed from the walls of the gymnasium. Not only at this match, but throughout the entire season, the support of the Wrestlettes never faltered. Wrestler Todd Swartz, 11, commented, "They were always there whenever we needed their support."

"I really enjoyed cheering for the guys because it makes me feel like I'm doing something for my school," explained captain Theresa Johnston, 12. However, the title, "Wrestlette," entailed much more than just "cheering for the guys." Cheering at volleyball games, attending football and basketball games, and decorating lockers comprised only a few of the many other activities required of the squad.

Late in October, a reorganization of leadership complicated their activities when the original captain, the only experienced member, quit the team. Theresa commented, "We were left not knowing how to do a lot of things."



RIGHT: With a lively cheer, Wrestlettes encourage the boys.

ABOVE RIGHT: Closely watching the game, Robin Nafus, 11, records the scores.

ABOVE: Lisa Fiorella, 12, Kim Karriker, 12, and Julie Read, 11, chant enthusiastically.

D RILL TEAM

New rules bring changes in format for Drill Team

Dancing under the bright lights of the football field, the Drill Team performed their halftime routine, smiling enthusiastically. Throughout the season, the Drill Team danced at each home game.

Striving for improvement, the girls began practices during the hot summer months. Starting in July, they worked diligently until the end of the basketball season. Their schedule usually consisted of practices three times a week and everyday if there was a game that week.

"During practices we had trouble with discipline," Senior Kelly Porter stated "The girls would talk and goof around." Officers threatened the girls with demerits, but that had little effect. In early winter, they broke the team up into four squads to dispel talking and to have less confusion. The co-captains, Gigi Touslee, 12, and Sharon Hellman, 12, and Sergeants-at-Arms, Caren Eisenstein, 12, and Kelly Porter, 12, headed the groups, which helped lessen the problem.

Because of the new control, many students said they thought the Drill Team had improved from previous years and that they really enjoyed watching them. The drills performed had more dance and entertainment movements. Gigi Touslee choreographed many that the audience viewed. "By thinking up the dances myself I tried to make them more entertaining and up-to-date," Gigi commented.

While having new ideas for dances, limitations on what could and could not be done was enforced more strongly. The administration called certain hip movements 'suggestive' to the audience and would not allow the team to perform them. Other limitations occurred during the summer when the captains could not require the girls to attend all the practices. Also, wearing the uniforms to school was optional. If a team member chose not to buy the uniform she didn't have to.

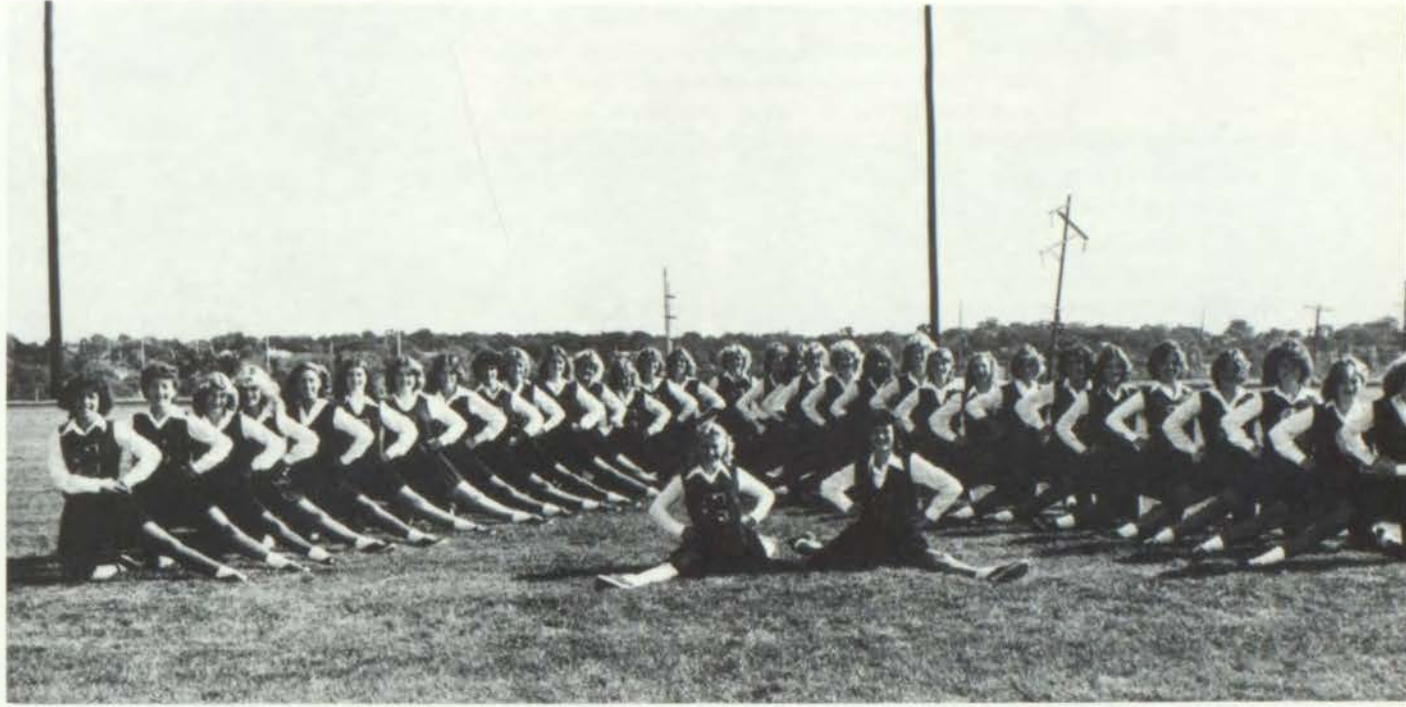
Although the year brought many changes, most of the team enjoyed it. Julie Conway, 11, summed up the girls' feelings, "The year had many ups and downs but I feel the team as a whole had fun," she said.

ABOVE RIGHT: Executing a dance move the Drill Team performs at a game.

RIGHT: Standing in line the Drill Team waits anxiously at Missouri University.



"Some changes in Drill Team were for the better." —Gigi Touslee, 12.



PRECISIONETTES—Front Row: Co-Captains Sharon Hellman, Gigi Touslee, Back Row: Tracey Ponick, Lori Slyter, Pam Douglas, Pam Singer, Mindy Meyer, Allison Ramey, Michelle Melson, Jody Canino, Stacy Talpers, Jane Mandabac, Lisa Yoksh, Beth Young, Dana Bardwell, Julie Alport, Missy Han-

over, Jana Teefey, Lynn Dempsey, Jeanie Ducate, Cindi Berger, Karen Claar, Caren Eisenstein, Kelly Porter, Gail Grauberger, Julie Conway, Jill Clemmons, Kathy Perahoritis, Gina Touslee, Amy Howk, Kim Mooney, Jackie Morton, Lee Ann King, Tammie Clemmons.



At a football game, Juniors Jill Clemmons and Beth Young walk to the victory line.

SPIRIT CLUB

Successful year revives spirit of apathetic student body

Spirit Club's main objective was to increase school spirit as a whole. "I feel that we have maintained our goal, the spirit seems to be strong throughout the school," commented sergeant-at-Arms, Susan Simon, 10.

With the growing popularity of girls' sports, more guys joined so they could support the girls. Breaking the tradition of only girls decorating the guys' lockers, the guys became little brothers to the girl athletes. Kris Hale, 9, remarked, "I'm gald to see the girls being supported by the guys; they need recognition too!"

Instead of selling candy, Spirit Club sold class T-shirts at the beginning of the year; then during the winter membership drive they sold "Yellowjacket Power" shirts. "We joined with Booster Club in selling the shirts so both clubs could make some money," explained President Karla Glannon, 12.

Some joined Spirit Club so they could get into the games free, but others joined because of the excitement. Since the removal of Spirit Club from Center South Junior last year because of the lack of interest, the Freshmen and Sophomores could re-join Spirit Club here at the high school. "I like the Spirit Club a lot better here than at the Junior High because it is more organized and there are more people. Last year being a cheerleader at South was disappointing because there wasn't a spirit club to support you, but here there are a lot more spiritied people!" remarked Kris Hale, 9.

ABOVE RIGHT: Graffiti on windows carries out Spirit Club's homecoming theme.

RIGHT: Mary Grooms, 10, helps to promote school spirit by decorating Mark Eimer's locker for the football season.



"Having my locker decorated let me know people were with us. —Mindy Turner, 11.

BELOW: At the Homecoming game, Spirit Club's section was filled with Center Alumni and future Center students.



SPIRIT CLUB OFFICERS: Sergeant-at-Arms, Susan Simon; President, Karla Glannon; Sergeant-at-Arms, Susan Franke; Vice President, Sarah Talbert; Secretary-Treasurer, Kim Wardlow.



Jerry Rapp, 12, entertains at the game.

SPIRIT WEEK

Fifty's theme provides for an original, exciting Spirit Week

Several girls with bobbing pony tails, bright lipstick, letter sweaters, poodle skirts, and saddle shoes bopped through the halls while guys in white t-shirts, rolled up blue jeans, and leather jackets strutted around the school. Although this statement sounds like a description of typical high school students 30 years ago, it actually describes Fifty's Day, one of several activities held during Spirit Week, which revolved around the theme of "American Graffiti." "All of the squads got together during the summer and decided on this theme," announced Karla Glannon, 12, Spirit Club president.

In addition to Fifty's Day, other special days included Dress-Up Day, Preppy Day, Nerd Day, and Blue and Gold Day. Special activities involved the showing of the film "American Graffiti," and the holding of special contests during the lunch shifts—such as the Yellow Jello contest and the Goldfish Swallowing Contest.

To add to the excitement of Spirit Week, nearly every club worked dilligently on its float, adding the finishing touches. Friday afternoon, the floats paraded around the track. The COE float received best overall award, while the Wrestlettes' float won most spirited, Student Council's float received most creative, and Choir's float carried the best theme. Friday ended with the Jackets reigning over the Hickman Cougars in the Homecoming football game and Lori Slyter, 12, being named 1980 Homecoming Queen during halftime. "I was surprised and excited, but I never expected to hear my name announced over the stadium intercom," exclaimed Lori.

Spirit Week came to a final close Saturday night at the Homecoming Dance where Mike Mahoney, 12, became Mr. Spirit.

"I have never seen such a spirited Homecoming," declared Superintendent Dr. Walter Swanson, at an October board meeting. "I was so proud I nearly popped a button."



"The unique events made Spirit Week especially exciting." — Penny Bridges, 12.

LEFT: Taking part in Blue and Gold Day, Scott Riggs, 12, buys a mum.

BELOW: Displaying enthusiasm, JV cheerleaders wave to the audience.

As Dean Denis, 12, takes a break, Mark Bundy, 12, works on the band float.



ABOVE: Key Clubbers Mona Stewart, Julie Koncak, and Margaret McKinney show their spirit.

LEFT: Wearing fifties garb, Karla Glannon, 12, and Jim Candler, 12, await the bell.

HOMECOMING DANCE

Homecoming dance radiates satisfaction and approval

Hopping and bopping around and around, students participated in the "Bunny Hop," amid a soda-shop atmosphere. The "Bunny Hop," accompanied by the "Twist" and other popular 50's dances, livened up the traditional Homecoming dance and helped promote the nostalgic theme, "American Graffiti."

Many students agreed that this year's dance marked a definite improvement over previous dances. The high attendance and variety of music added to the evening's success. Mark Bundy, 12, commented, "The D.J. played a wide assortment of songs that we could dance to and it wasn't like a rock concert, like many dances have been in the past." Mark later added that he thought the addition of the Freshmen gave the dance spunk. Sherry Talman, 12, exclaimed, "This year everyone danced and this year, for once, the dance was really like a dance."

The excitement of the evening built as the attendants gathered in the front of the room, with the announcement of Mike Mahoney, 12, as Mr. Spirit. The excitement seemed to carry over from the night before when Lori Slyter, 12, received her title as the 1980-81 Homecoming Queen.

Mike summed up, "I find it really hard to believe that I was chosen, I really feel honored." He added, "I thought the dance was very successful because everyone participated and got into the 50's spirit."



HOMECOMING COURT: Becky Bauer, Julie Combs, Lea Lavish, Ann Graham, Karla Glannon, Lori Slyter, Patsy Tavernaro, Jana Teefey, Nancy Clark.



ABOVE RIGHT: Couples enjoy a slow dance as the evening comes to a close.

RIGHT: Joel Fleschman, 12, and his date enjoy a fast dance.

"This dance was much better than previous ones." — Elaina Holmberg, 12.



LEFT: Former queen, Kathy Kennedy, and Lori Slyter, 12, embrace immediately following Lori's announcement as queen.

BELOW: Homecoming Queen Lori Slyter, 12, and Mr. Spirit, Mike Mahoney, 12, dance.



Former Mr. Spirit, Greg Leibert, escorts last year's queen, Kathy Kennedy, across the field.

COURTWARMING

Courtwarding produces good results

Fantasy. Fantasy. Fantasy? What is all this Fantasy business students asked? Signs covered the walls reading Fantasy; the theme for Courtwarding. Teresa Lehr, 11, remarked, "We looked over a lot of themes, someone mentioned the song by Earth, Wind, and Fire and it sounded good; a lot of the lyrics gave us ideas such as, "Come to see a victory." The theme wasn't the only original factor about the dance. The traditional Stu-Co sponsored Snoball dance was replaced by a first for Center; Courtwarding. Many changes went into action including, the date being changed from December to February, a spirit week being added, the royalty nomination procedure being altered, and the royalty being announced at the February 20th home basketball game at halftime, much like Homecoming. These changes caused some controversy. Some students were disappointed that another activity would be sports related. Rebecca Kauffman, 12, commented, "People involved in sports welcomed the change but the people not involved in sports were unhappy because we have so many sports related activities already." And still others were upset because they had no input into the decision. Karla Glannon, 12, replied, "Students were mad because we (Stu-Co) didn't bring it up with the student body." However, there were many positive reactions to the change. Annette Davis, 12, stated, "A change needed to be made, Snoball was obviously not successful and Courtwarding sounded like a good change." And positive reactions did result. "It was a neat atmosphere, the decorations were really nice and the whole evening was enjoyable," commented Leslie Katz, 12.



ABOVE: Holly Irwin, 9, Steve Hedgpeth, 10, Paul Ducate, 9, and date have a good time telling jokes.

RIGHT: Enjoying a slow song, James Russell, 11, and his date sway to the music.



"The decorations were nice but the D.J.'s were weird." — Paul Ducate, 9.



LEFT: Rose Dunleavy, last year's Snoball Queen, passes the title on to Debbie Aaron.

FAR LEFT: Attendants, Leah Breckenridge and Rick King, congratulate David Asjes, Courtwarming King.



Attendants—Front Row: Mary Grooms, Leah Breckenridge, Diane Batliner, Debbie Aaron, Dawn Williams, Julie Tavernaro, Jill Sappington, Kris Hale; Back Row: Leslie Adkins, Paul Howe, Rick King, Duane Ball, David Asjes, Mark Eimer, Andy VanSlyke, Jeff Davis, David Stroud.

S TUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council seeks student involvement

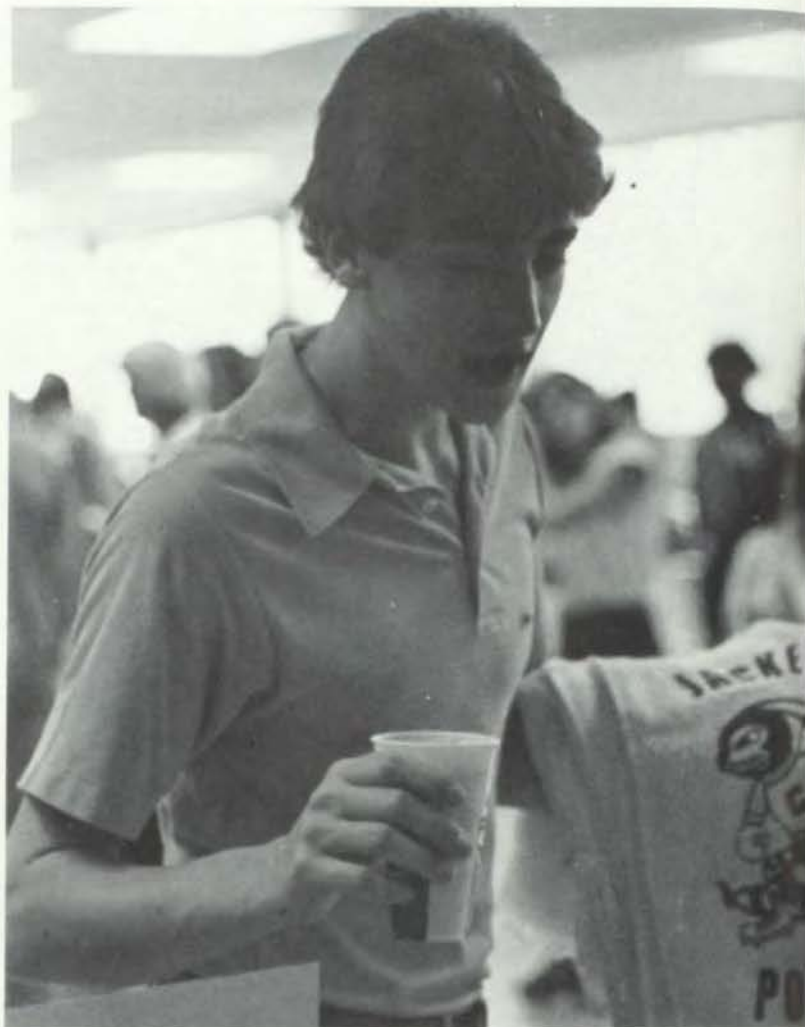
"I think Student Council's purpose is to represent the student body by acting upon their complaints and requests," remarked Randi Rittman, 12, Stu-Co president. Trying to serve the student body and making Center a better school concerned Student Council members. But certain factors stood in their way. The first factor involved the administration. The amount of freedom given to Student Council directly affected what Stu-Co could do for the students. Jeff Saper, 9, stated, "I consider us a student government and I think the administration could give us more rights so we could do more for the student body."

Another factor included a negative attitude from many students. In hopes of student involvement, Stu-Co held all open meetings, used a polling committee, and provided an open meeting during an activity period to discuss any questions from the students. But only six students showed up. Mr. Neal, Stu-Co's new sponsor, explained, "I think we're giving opportunities for students to interact. I don't know how receptive they have been, but the vehicle is there for them to use."

Aside from trying to fulfill this purpose, Student Council planned many other activities. Heading the list was the planning of Freshmen-Sophomore orientation; two dances, the Icebreaker in September and the Courtwarming in February; a charity fundraiser for March of Dimes; and nine student exchanges. Mr. Neal encouraged student exchanges; he expressed this when he commented, "I've enjoyed working with Student Council. I especially encouraged student exchanges because I think Center is a good school and I think that student exchanges are a good way for the kids to know it."

ABOVE RIGHT: Rod Wilcoxon, 11, sells Jacket Power towels at Freshman-Sophomore orientation.

RIGHT: Stu-Co officers conduct an October meeting during second hour.



"Stu-Co tries to help students but many goals are out of reach." —Melanie White, 12.



LEFT: Erika Blacksher, 12, checks on Players 58 membership during orientation.

BELOW: Recording notes at a Junior class meeting is Junior class sponsor, Mrs. Kowalczyk.



ABOVE: During third lunch shift, Randi Rittman, 12, Stu-Co president, sells Jacket Power towels.

Karla Glannon, 12, sells donuts to hungry students on a Friday morning.

POLI - SCI

Students gain knowledge, experience of government

Preparing pumpkins at Unicef's Pumpkin Patch, sponsoring a Model Election, attending International dinners, and participating in Model Senate, Model U.N., and Youth in Government allowed students to learn about the community and provoked their interest in politics.

Political Science Club provided students with the opportunity to be lawyers or jury members at Youth in Government, to submit resolutions and bills at Model U.N. Security Council, and to serve on the International Court of Justice. "I participated as a lawyer and a legislator in Youth in Government because my friend told me how much fun it was and I wanted to find out what really goes on in government," commented Jo Lynne Morton, 12. At Model U.N. Security Council, Todd Koelling, 11, received an award for best pre-filed bill and Lina Stewart, 12, had her resolution passed. Dennis Bell, 12, served on the International Court of Justice in Washington, D.C. He competed with hundreds of other high school students to become one of the 15 members on the court. Each student prepared a legal brief of an actual case in history explaining what reasoning they believed had been used to reach the court's verdict. "I was lucky to be chosen out of so many people," exclaimed Dennis.

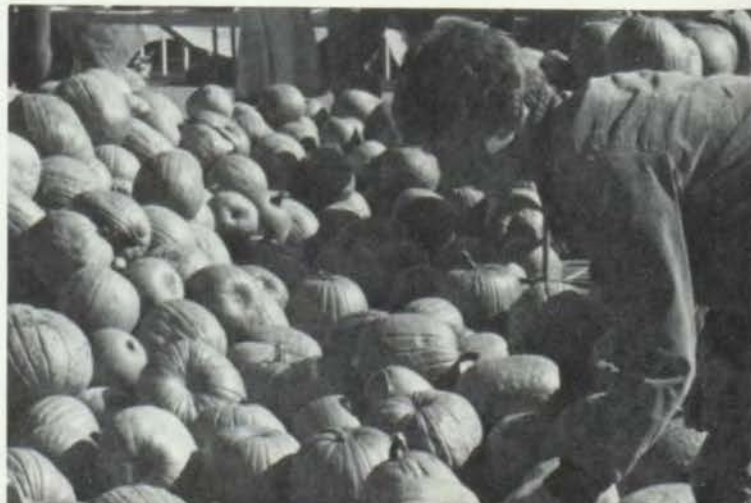
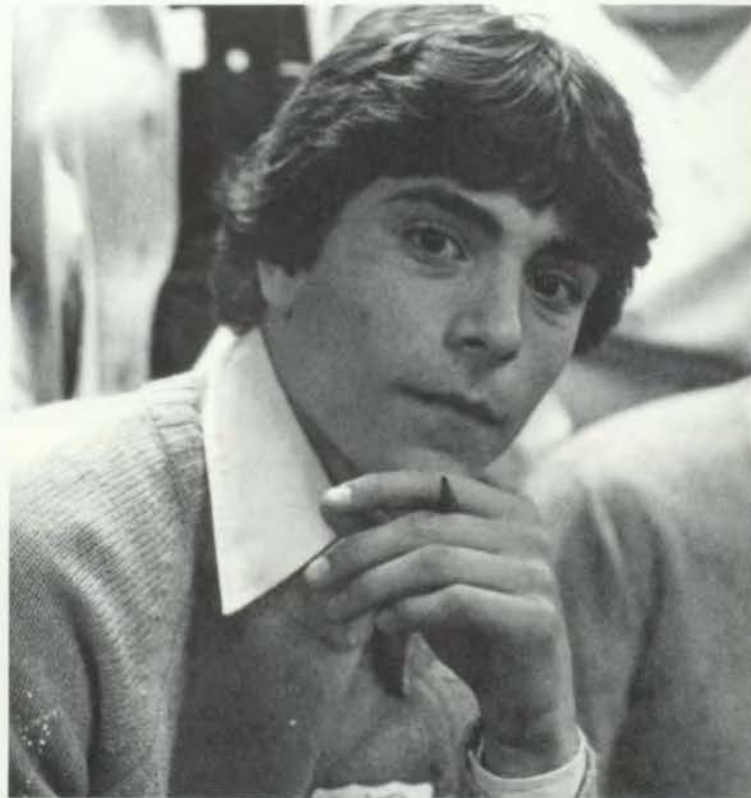
"This year's club has changed for the better by becoming more active and having more unity in the club," summed up Lina Stewart, president.



ABOVE: Dennis Bell, 12, converses with a professor at Park College Model U.N.

TOP RIGHT: On Orientation Day, members encourage others to join Poli-Sci.

CENTER: Todd Swartz, 11, listens at Model U.N.



"Poli-Sci is a very beneficial and enjoyable club," – Teresa Schnell, 12.

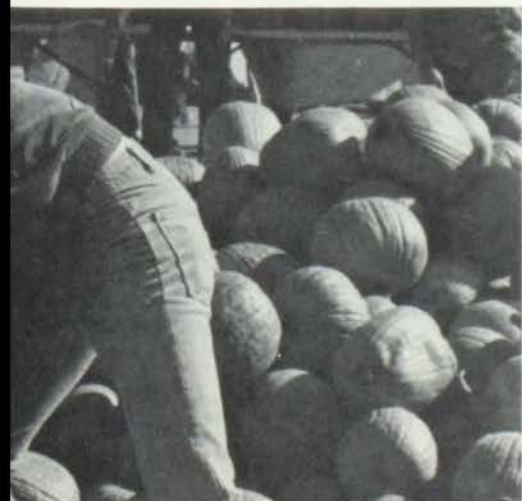


ABOVE: Dressed for trick-or-treating, Lina Stewart, 12, collects money for Unicef.

TOP RIGHT: Penny Bridges, 12, helps kids to decorate pumpkins at Pumpkin Patch.

ABOVE RIGHT: Students listen intently at Model U.N. Security Council.

LEFT: Todd Koelling, 11, works at Pumpkin Patch.



NATIONAL FORENSICS LEAGUE

NFL hosts successful tourney, experiences year of growth

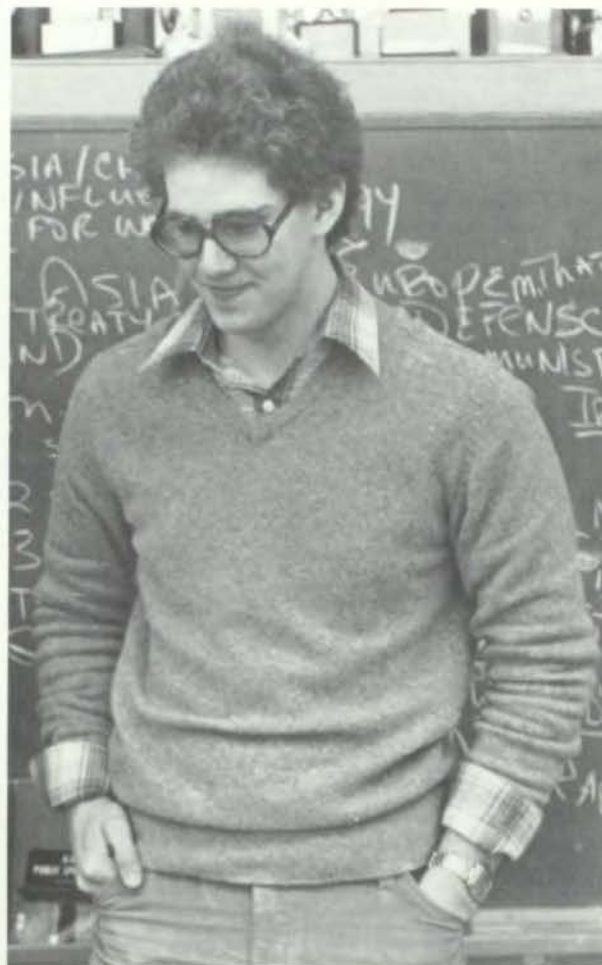
The National Forensic League observed another successful year of helping to develop the speaking abilities of students.

"This has been a year for growth," commented Wayne Brown, debate coach. "I've had probably a larger group of beginners than ever before."

"The club encourages improving communication skills," stated NFL officer Charles Engelken, 12. "I've learned to organize my time a lot better."

Members participated in about twenty tournaments throughout the year. The twelfth annual Invitational Speech and Debate Tournament was held here, and NFL members bore such responsibilities as planning and organizing teams and judges. Seniors Dennis Bell and Jerry Rapp acted as co-chairmen, and many others contributed their time toward the success of the event.

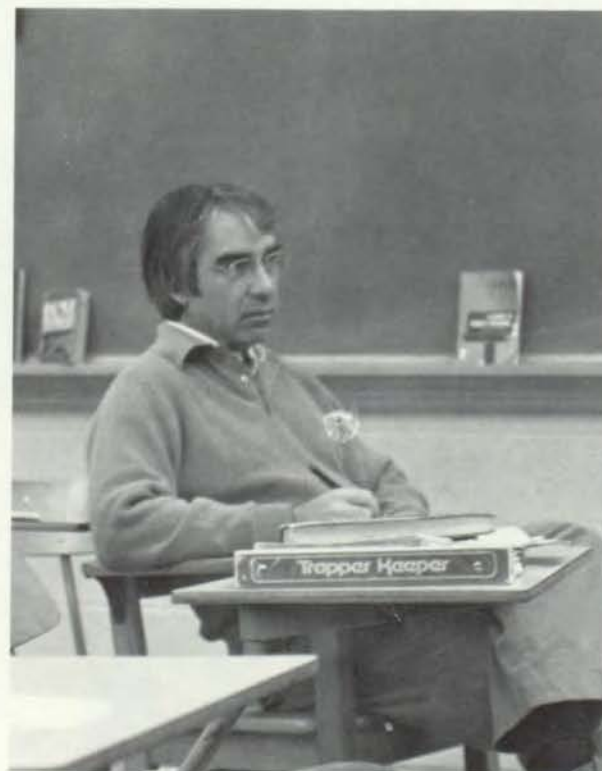
"Center has developed the reputation of running one of the best Invitational Speech Tournaments in the state," added Mr. Brown.



ABOVE: Cindy Noel, from Park Hill, accepts an award at the Center Tournament.

ABOVE RIGHT: Evan Zobel, 11, pauses in thought during a classroom debate.

RIGHT: Mr. Brown evaluates a class debate.



"Organization was the prime directive for our tournament." — Mr. Brown, debate coach



LEFT: NFL members at the judges' table organize events for the Center Tournament.



ABOVE: Mr. Brown assists Dennis Bell, 12, in the awarding of the sweepstakes trophy.

LEFT: Charles Engelken, 12, and Cindy Fey, 10, attend the Center Debate Tournament.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

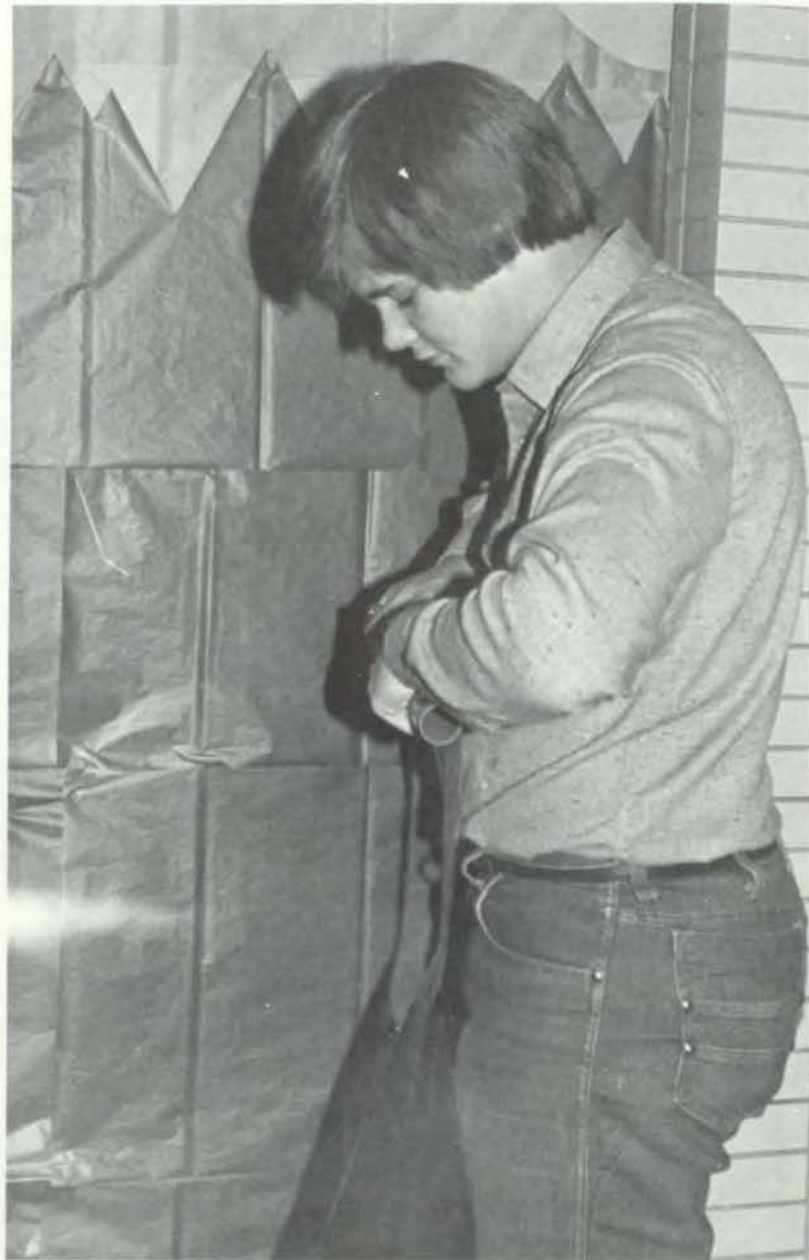
Membership requires more than scholastic ability

N Around the middle of October, the National Honor Society began the process of selecting new members. As a part of the process, all prospective members received an invitation; then the applicant's packets were reviewed, and the faculty committee made their selection. All new members were tapped to signify they had been chosen as members. After the students had been notified of their acceptance, the traditional candle lighting ceremony was held to induct all new members. On December 3, the induction ceremony brought 27 new members into NHS.

To become a member each student submitted a written statement of their qualifications and how they apply to the characteristics of NHS. Debbie Viani, 12, stated, "When I started writing up my resume, I didn't think I was active; but after I started, I found out that I had been active and I had a feeling of self satisfaction."

As part of the requirements, each member had to show active service. The National Organization defined service as something for which one is not paid or given a grade because it is rewarding in itself. Also, each applicant was required to hold active membership in at least two organizations and they must hold an office or show leadership in one of those. President David Asjes, 12, commented, "Since we have several school leaders in the club, it is really going to help us with our service projects, and I find their enthusiasm encouraging."

However, there were a few who did not make it into the organization but felt they should have. There seemed to be some controversy on the selection process. Mrs. Harter, sponsor, stated, "If anyone believes they should have been accepted, they may petition the decision. But, it should be remembered that making NHS is a privilege, not a right." Keith Young, 11, added, "I was very pleased when I found out I had been accepted and I really felt that it was a big honor."



NHS officers wait patiently before giving their speeches.



"A true leader must use his talents and abilities to help others."—David Asjes, 12.

LEFT: As part of the Toys for Tots campaign, David Asjes decorates NHS's door.

BELOW: At the traditional candle lighting ceremony, new members recite the NHS pledge.



ABOVE: New members enjoy cookies and punch at the tap day party.

LEFT: Julie Eisea, 12, and Mrs. Williams help prepare the punch for the new inductees.

Q

UILL & SCROLL

Two clubs honor accomplishments

Quill and Scroll, an in-school sponsored organization, gave recognition to outstanding journalists during their junior and senior years. The club was sponsored by Mrs.

Mary Lu Foreman.

In order to become a member of Quill and Scroll, each must have had material published in the newspaper or yearbook and rank in the top one-third of their class.

The goal of Quill and Scroll was to commend their previous work but also to look ahead to possible jobs in the field of journalism.

The members were chosen on February 4, with a tea and formal initiation conducted on May 6.

100 Girls, an organization to honor the top five girls from 10 different area high schools, recognized those with the highest grade point average in their individual class.

The 100 Girls sponsor was Mrs. Alice Meacham. The girls were chosen to represent both the Junior and Senior class.

"It is a real honor to be chosen as one of Center's top students in the class of '81," commented Randi Rittman, 12.

The induction and tea for 100 Girls was held in the late spring, with the induction and tea for Quill and Scroll following shortly afterwards.

Both groups were honor societies and did not get involved in many of extra-curricular activities, other than Quill and Scroll members being involved in the yearbook and newspaper throughout the school year. Similarities could be found to tie these two groups together, as Cecelia DiRaimo, 12, explained, "I really feel honored that both Quill and Scroll and 100 girls recognize scholastic achievement. I am excited that I was selected to participate and call myself a part of both groups. I consider the nomination to each group a real privilege."



100 GIRLS SENIOR MEMBERS—Front Row: Cecelia DiRaimo, Randi Rittman; Back Row: Alicia Gordon, Dawn Williams, Denise Johnson.



100 GIRLS JUNIOR MEMBERS—Front Row: Sponsor Alice Meacham, Leianne Whittle, Sarah Bunch; Back Row: Michelle Melson, Lori Williams, Kim Roberts.

"Quill and Scroll is a great group to be a part of," stated Duane Ball, 12.



SECOND YEAR MEMBERS, QUILL AND SCROLL—Front Row: Gary Miller, Lori Leahy, Rick Thomas, Cecelia DiRaimo, Tom Shaffer; Back Row: Alicia Gor-

don, Jannie Sherry, Debbie Aaron, Julia Butler, Suzy Ducate.



SENIOR MEMBERS, QUILL AND SCROLL—Erika Blacksher, Debbie Messina, Hoi Hei Ho, Mark Eimer, Sara Westgate, Duane Ball.



JUNIOR MEMBERS, QUILL AND SCROLL—Front Row: Kirk Roberts, Todd Koelling, Amy Samberg, Flora Winitz, Holly Owens; Back Row: Robin Nafus, Julie Tavenaro, Lana Malsby, Michelle Melson, Kris Hase.

SEARCHLIGHT

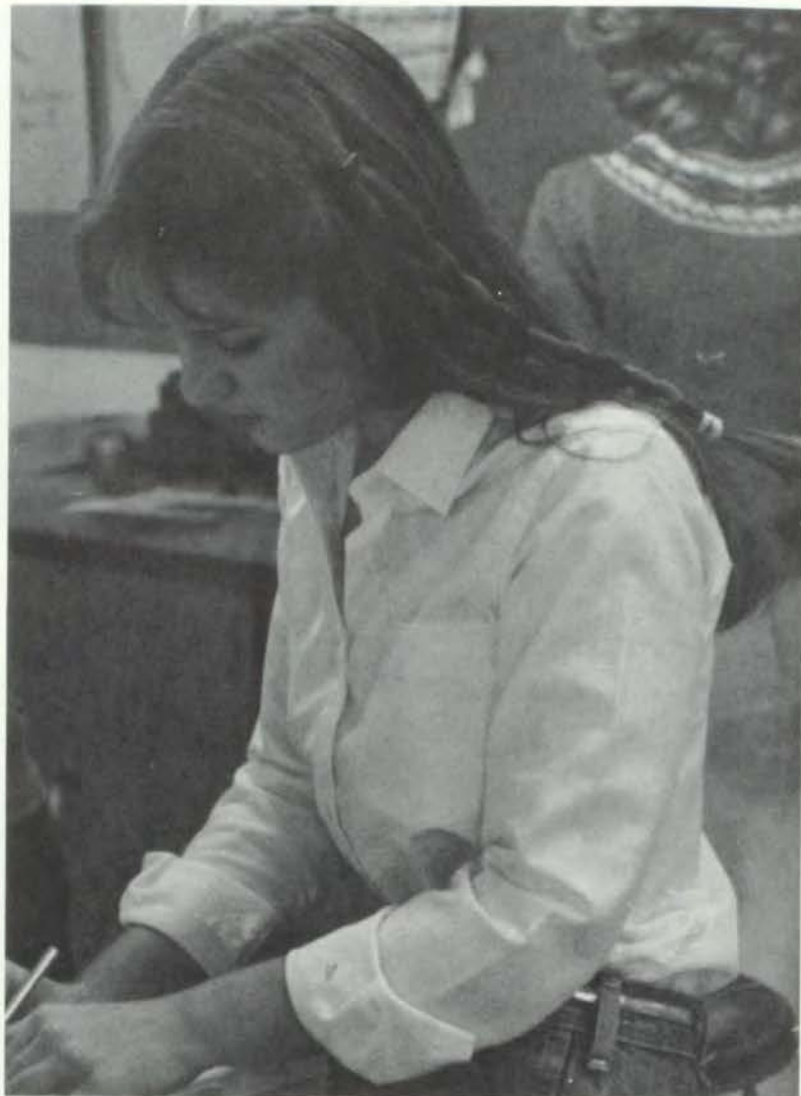
New paper style hits the presses for smallest staff.

Searchlight' staff had to make some major changes because of being understaffed. Mrs. Myra Sifers commented, "This has been the smallest staff that the 'Searchlight' has had since I can remember; the advantage to a small staff is each member has more knowledge of the entire process." The staff consisted of ten reporters, eight girls and only two guys. "In spite of the fact, that Jerry and I have complete understanding of the girls, our journalistic skills were clouded by girl talk which filled our room everyday," remarked Dennis Bell, 12.

Because of the limited budget and the small staff, the paper changed from the magazine style of previous years to a three column modified tabloid style. "I found the new style of the paper easier to read, I've also found the stories interesting this year," stated Rick Rea, 11. Also new to the paper were movie reviews. "Although they aren't professional critics, I feel that the staff enjoying writing movie reviews the most," said Mrs. Sifers.

Along with the problem of a small staff, advisor Mrs. Sifers married late in December and resigned her teaching duties at semester. "Advising 'Searchlight' for nine years made my teaching career more interesting, the pressure of the deadlines added excitement to the day," remembered Mrs. Sifers.

Summing up being on 'Searchlight' staff, Jerry Rapp remarked, "The 'Searchlight' is probably the most important media in the school because it keeps up-to-date. It's much more than a year-end chronical, it's a bi-weekly periodical informing the student body."



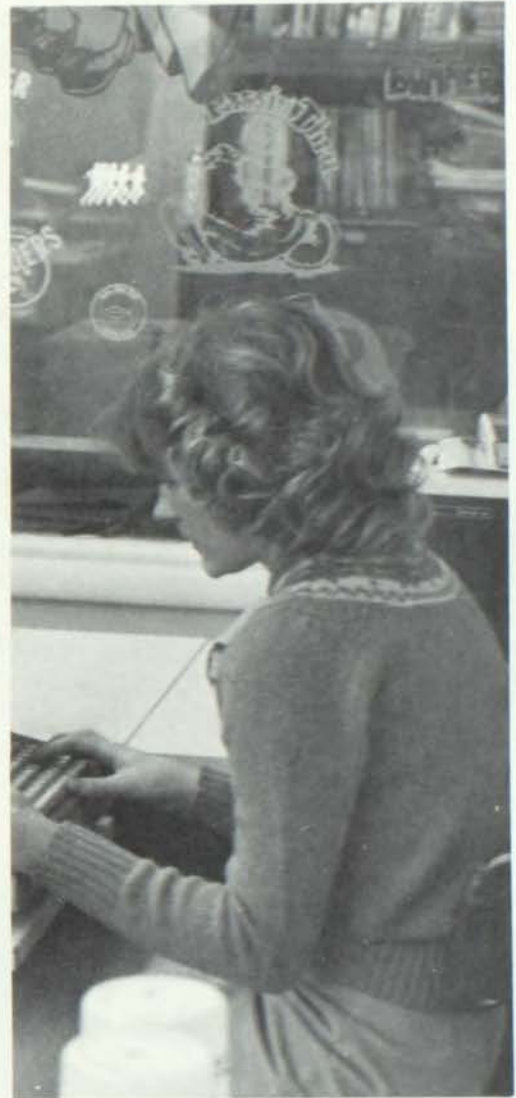
RIGHT: SEARCHLIGHT STAFF - Jerry Rapp, Leslie Katz, Carol Dayson, Dennis Bell, Lorie Leahy, Rebecca Kauffman, Julie Stone, Sarah Talbert, Advisor Mrs. Myra Sifers, Julia Butler.

ABOVE RIGHT: Editor-in-Chief, Lorie Leahy trims copy for a deadline.

FAR RIGHT: Rebecca Kauffman and Mrs. Sifers work together on the editorial page of the holiday issue.



"The staff's personalities made for never a dull moment." —Lorie Leahy, Editor.



ABOVE: Business Manager, Julia Butler, typesets an ad for the sports page.

ABOVE LEFT: Leslie Katz and Jerry Rapp watch on as Julia Butler places copy on the paste-up board.

LEFT: Advisor Mrs. Myra Sifers concentrates on the last paper she is producing at Center Senior High School.

C OMMUNITY RESOURCES

Club competition adds flavor to opportunity period

"Club Competition has added a lot of life to the Opportunity Periods and the Community Resources class," commented Mr. Grow. Club Competition, created to take the place of special events, was well accepted by clubs and students. Kim Roberts, 11, remarked, "The clubs seem to be enjoying it and are looking forward to see who will win "Club of the Year". Jeff Mann, 12, Dawn Williams, 12, Erika Blacksher, 12, Sandi Meyer, 11, and Kim Roberts, 11, made up the committee which planned all the competition. A bike race, Categories, and a problem-solving contest provided some of the competition.

The themes for Opportunity Periods ranged from "Recreation" to "Communication". Getting in contact with the speakers and making confirmations on time caused difficulty at times, a group effort was sometimes necessary. Shelly Hayes, 12, explained, "If you have your speaker planned you can help someone else who might be having trouble."

Seven jobs, such as talent coordinators and faculty relations, were needed to plan a successful Opportunity Period. Good communication among planners also helped. But this year that caused no problems. Mr. Grow stated, "I think everyone gets along real well, in fact, better than in past years when we have had some friction."



ABOVE: Paramedics show students the necessary equipment for life saving.

ABOVE RIGHT: Dan Searls, 12, hangs the class's door decoration drawn by Kent Brisley, 12.

RIGHT: The S.W.A.T. team relaxes before speaking at the September Opportunity Period.



"We try to get educational and fun activities." — Kim Roberts, 11.

Members from Choon Lee's Academy perform several Judo techniques.



BELOW LEFT: During class, Kim Roberts, 11, staples programs for the October Opportunity Period.

LOWER RIGHT: The bike racers get on their mark during the Community Resource's bike race.

BELOW: Community Resources class busily prepares for the December Seventeenth Opportunity Period.



DECA

Alternative provides unique learning experience

Skipping the last three classes of school, earning extra money during the school year, gaining working experience before college, and learning more about retail sales were among the incentives that motivated students to enroll in DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America). "I'd rather be working and earning money than taking classes that wouldn't really be worth much to me," explained Diane Landes, 12.

Despite departing from school at 10:35, seniors expressed that they didn't feel left out of school activities. "I don't feel left out of anything at school because DECA is a club in itself and we are involved in a lot of activities," replied Lisa Fiorella, 12. Lynette Pace, 12, added, "This year, because of club competition, DECA students are even more involved."

DECA students were also involved in District, State, and National contests with other schools. The contest events included the assembling of displays, sales demonstrations, and the handling of customers.

In addition to providing extra-curricular activities, DECA also contributed an effective learning atmosphere. "In class the students are taught the basics of business in general," stated Mrs. Mason. Mary Bundy, 12, commented, "With classroom preparation and more working experience, when I graduate I'll have a better background in working skills."



ABOVE: Sherri Winer introduces the DECA officers—Treasurer Cindy Pittman, Vice President Paula DiGiovanni, President Mary Bundy, Secretary Lynette Pace, Reporter Kelli Clement.



"I'm able to work more and still have more time for homework"—Diane Landes, 12.

LEFT: At Jerry's Sport Shop in Ward Parkway Center, Mike Singer assists a customer.

BELOW: In Deca class, Daryl Penner discusses how he injured his arm.



ABOVE: At Venture, Mary Bundy informs a customer of a sales item.

LEFT: In class, Linda Crouch shares her french fries with Diane Landes and Lynette Pace.



VICA

VICA captures students' interest while club activities thrive

"The program allows you to get experience you may want for jobs you want to do," remarked VICA president Lori Airola.

Vocational Industrial Clubs of America, a national organization, included students in trade, industrial, technical, and health education courses, vocationally and occupationally oriented.

"VICA and DECA give the student social and school ties," stated Trade and Industrial Coordinator Tom Coyle.

VICA had an exceptional year in several areas. A VICA/DECA candy sale in the fall raised over \$800.00, and the VICA/DECA float won first place in the homecoming parade. In the contest for door decoration, the VICA door took sixth place.

The club also participated in a variety of social functions, such as softball games and an employer/employee banquet. For those with a competitive flair, the club entered a state contest, which included such areas as welding, dental lab, and auto mechanics.



ABOVE: Jeff Theiss, 12, finishes first for VICA in the opportunity period bike race.

ABOVE RIGHT: Members Jeff Hays, 12, and Lori Airola, 12, display the VICA door.

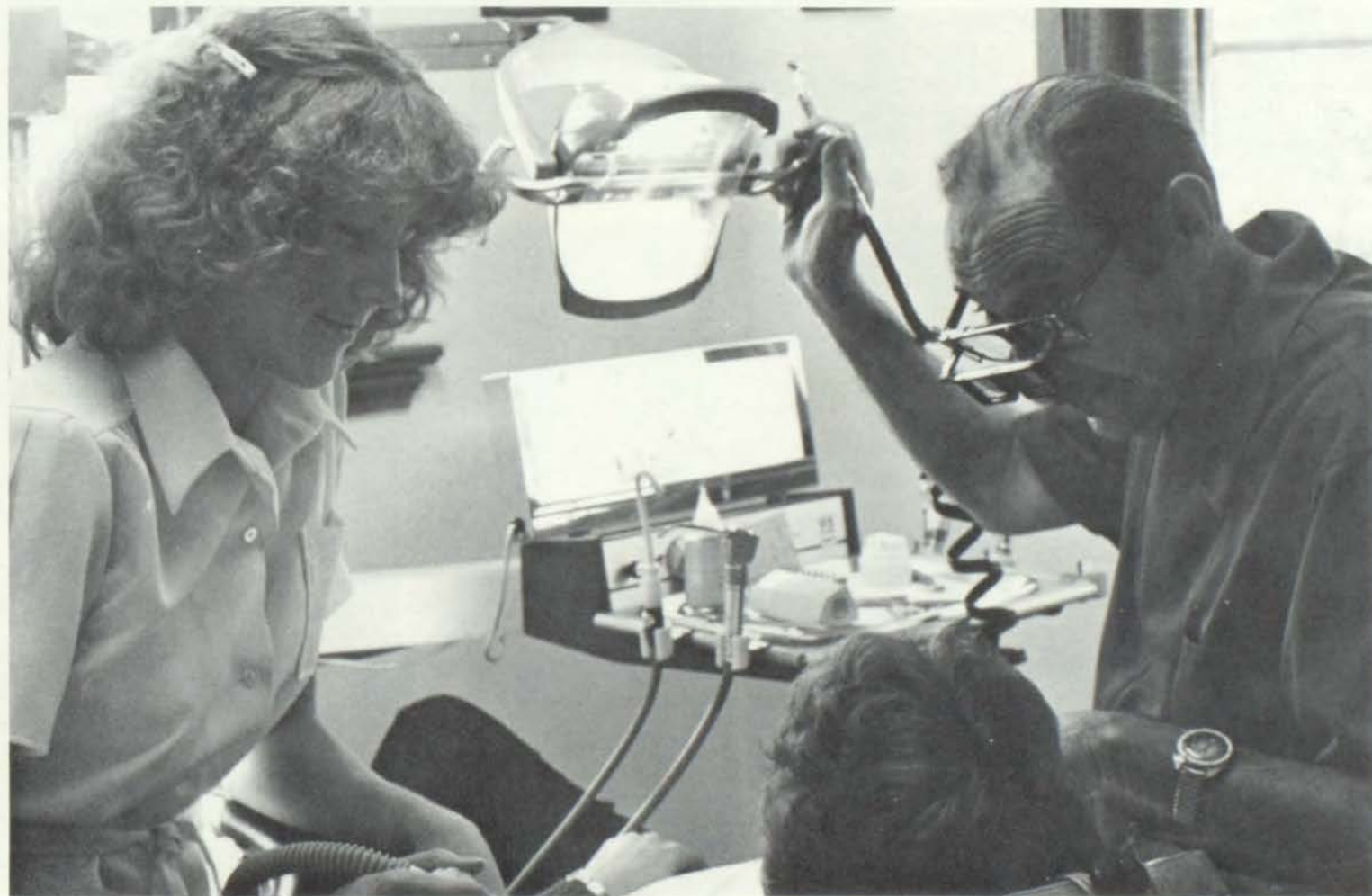
RIGHT: The VICA/DECA float, first prize winner, moves down the track.

"You can make money while earning credits to graduate." – Audrey Vandervelden, 12.



LEFT: Members of VICA exhibit a display they put together for the club.

BELOW: VICA president, Lori Airola, 12, works at her job as a dental assistant.



FRENCH CLUB

Fun activities helps increase French club's popularity

"I don't understand why French club is so unique, but it is," remarked Elaine Payne, 12. The combination of an enthusiastic sponsor and fun activities made French club popular. Elaine stated, "Mrs. Paulsen is so nice everyone wants to cooperate." Mrs. Paulsen felt that the popularity was caused by the kids. She remarked, "They're good kids who are involved in a lot of things."

Some activities on the agenda included a hay ride, a progressive dinner, and a volleyball game. But the most fun activity, according to many members was the yearly banquet. Caren Eisentsein, 12, president of French club commented, "The highlight of the year is the banquet held at La Bonne Auberge. Most people in French club like fine cuisine and at the banquet there is fabulous food." Another highlight included winning first prize in the door decorating contest. A lot of work went into the door. Elaine Payne mentioned, "It took us two nights to complete the door and some time during the day."

Even though their reasons for membership in French club were similar, the expectations and goals of each member varied. These goals ranged from a learning experience to just having a good time with friends. Caren stated, "This club gives students the chance to experience tradition and life in another country." Elaine said, "The main thing is to get everyone interested in doing something fun and still learn something." But Jean Scanlon, 11, summed everything up when she replied, "We just get together and have fun!" So whatever the reasons and expectations, French club's popularity lived on.



ABOVE: Jim Mosby, 12, Lana Malsby, 11, and Michelle Gallas, 11, munch at the Christmas party.

ABOVE RIGHT: French club members goof off after the Community Resource's bike race.

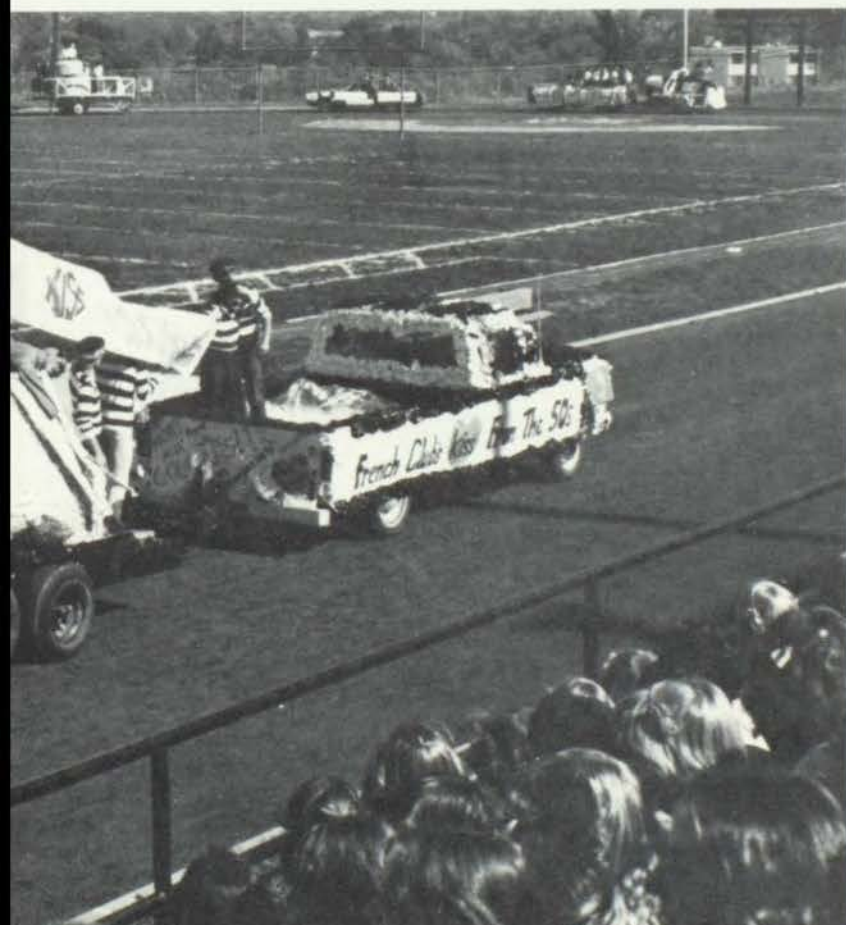


"Madame Paulsen is super sweet and the activities are fun," —Michelle Gallas, 11.



LEFT: Jean Scanlon, 11, puts finishing touches on French club's first place door.

BELOW: Mark Zobel, Lana Malsby, and Jana Teetey, roast hot dogs at the hayride.



ABOVE: Kristen Bashem, 9, and Barbara Heft, 9, play a popular French card game.

LEFT: Spectators view French club's float during the daytime Homecoming parade.

G ERMAN CLUB

Although unnoticed by students, club proves profitable

German Club participated in several activities that went unnoticed by most students. Nevertheless members enjoyed being a part of them. German Club consisted of students in all of the German classes.

"German Club makes class seem easier to handle; it seems we are really learning for a purpose and for fun," commented Debbie Lutjen, 10.

The club went Christmas caroling to each of the member's homes. Caroling was fun but different; "We had to sing all the songs in German. I think all the parents got a real big kick out of it and we had fun too," stated Rhonda Maas, 10.

This year's homecoming float resembled a cuckoo clock. "Even though we didn't win any prizes for design or originality, we sure worked hard to finish it. I think it was worth all the work," remarked Kim Harrison, 12.



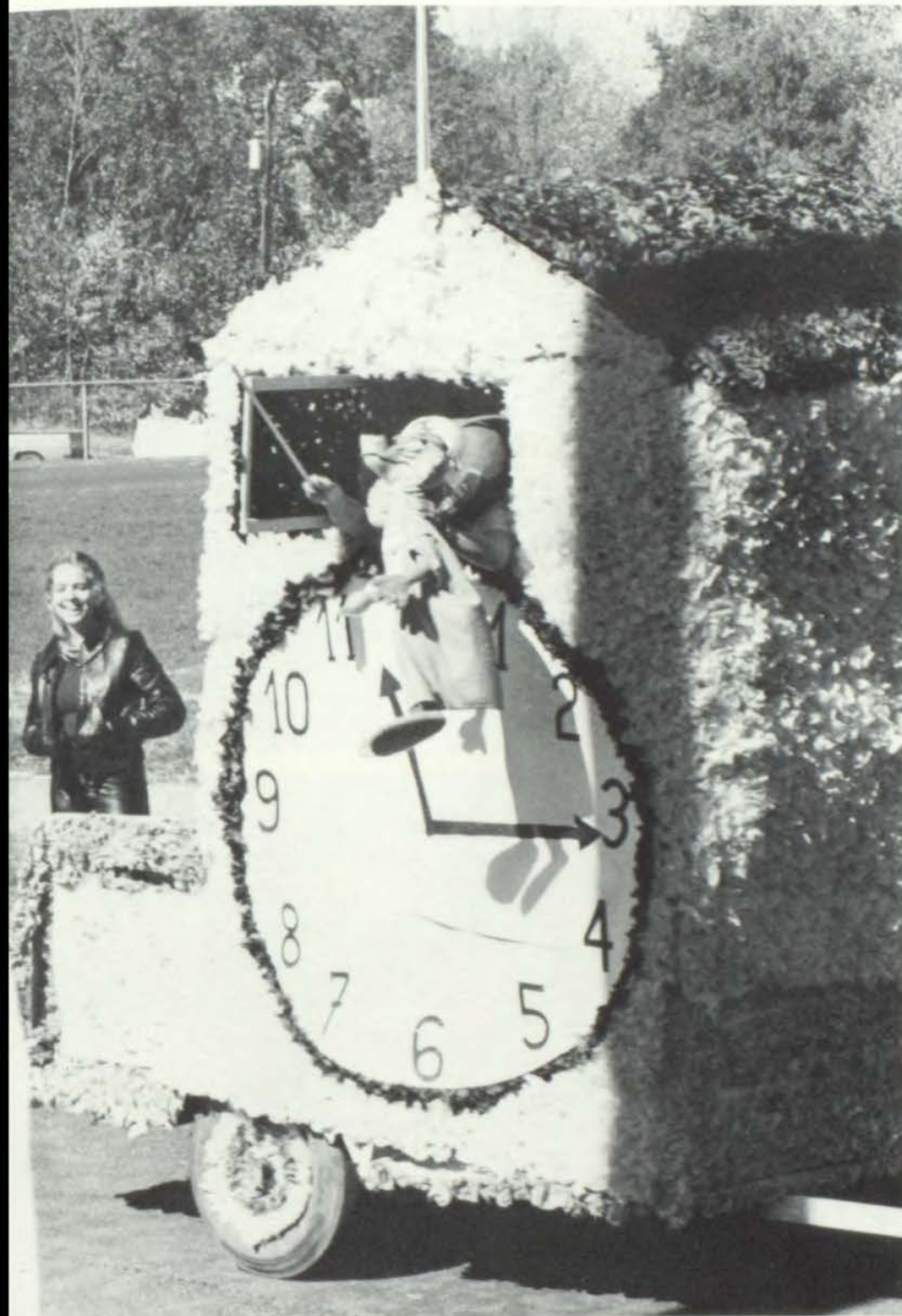
ABOVE: German students work hard to transcribe a German story.

TOP: To honor Oktoberfest, German Club displays typical items of a German household.

RIGHT: During class, German students practice their translating skills.



"German Club helps all of us appreciate the language." – Rhonda Maas, 10.



At homecoming, Lilli Peck, 9, "rocks around the clock" as German Club has aspirations of the Yellowjackets' beating the Cougars.

S PANISH CLUB

Dinners, pinata parties rate high with Spanish Club

Shouts and shrieks of laughter sounded in the room as students swung at the hanging pinata. While the Spanish Club members hit the pinata, it broke and candy spilled onto the floor.

Throughout the year the Spanish Club had dinners and pinata parties. Usually every month they tried to have some type of dinner at a restaurant or a person's house. Popular restaurants among the club were Annie's Santa Fe and Jose's. "I really enjoyed eating at Annie's," Cindy Connet, 11, replied. "It was a fun way to be together." When they had a dinner at a club member's house everyone brought some kind of food or contributed some money to help pay the cost. Pinata parties worked basically the same way. "The pinata party we had this year was fun," Jeanie Ducate, 11, said. "We had made the pinata so strong that it took a long time before it finally broke." "That just added to the fun of breaking it because we blindfolded them and the expressions on their faces were so funny," Carrie Winterowd said."

Spanish Club wanted more members and to have more activities. Homecoming helped promote this. It involved a lot of the members working everyday and endlessly into the night. "I'm glad I worked on the float," Mona Appleby, 10, said "I've made new friends and had a lot of fun working on it."

Spanish Club involved more people although the club wasn't as large as they would have liked it to be. "It was a fun school activity though," Penny Bridges, 12, stated.



ABOVE: At a Spanish party students take time to enjoy the food.



"I enjoyed the Spanish Club dinners." — Debi Ray, 12.



ABOVE: After a Spanish meeting, members discuss important issues.

ABOVE FAR LEFT: Carrie Winterowd, 11, and Lorie Leahy, 12, strike at the pinata.

ABOVE LEFT: During Homecoming, Mona Appleby, 10, and Lorie Leahy, 12, take time for repairs.

LEFT: Braving the cold, Spanish Club members carol on the Plaza.



INTERNATIONAL CLUB

International Club continues despite falling interest, membership

"The language barrier is a problem. When English is mastered, it's easier; the kids aren't as shy," explained Miss Cheryl Knox, International Club Sponsor. The International Club, originally known as the American Field Service, originated in order to aid foreign exchange students. "We help the students get active in school and its activities. We also help provide for tutors if needed," added President James Candler, 12. Miss Knox continued, "We don't have any real exchange students this year, just immigrants from other countries. As a matter of fact, at the end of last year, I didn't think there would be an International Club this year." Declining interest in the club, reflected in the low number of active members, started to take its toll on what was in the past, a fairly influential club. Graduation of members and few exchange students also pointed to the International Club's decline. Skeptics wondered "would the club continue?"

Nonetheless, the club did continue. Most of the charter members graduated last year, but students groupd for the 1980-1981 orientation and the program was underway. Various events planned to be held over the course of the school year included a membership drive, service projects, banquets, and an International Week. Displays of various cultures and food from other countries marked International Week as one of the club's biggest events. "Although we could've used more organization and had trouble in enrollment, I think it was really a neat club," finished Candler.



ABOVE: Listening attentively at a meeting Karla Glannon, 12, and Margie Coggins, 10, decide on an issue.

ABOVE RIGHT: Lan My Tu, Daxa Patel, and Susan Garcia share recipes from their various backgrounds.

RIGHT: Scott Jamieson, 12, and James Candler, 12, display the club's "Toys for Tots" door decoration.



COSMOS

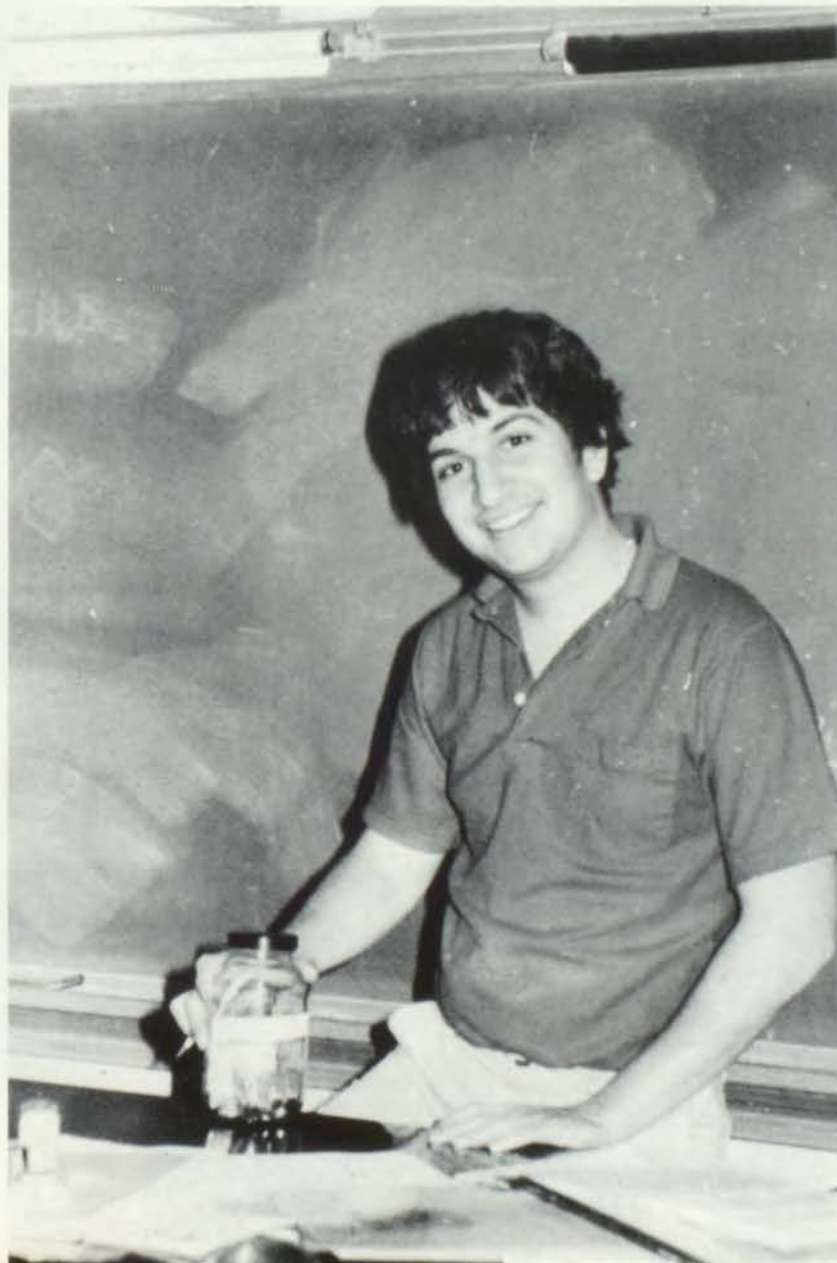
Cosmos revives science interest

"Everything in science is interesting to me, there's so much to learn. When you learn one thing, more doors are opened," stated Ron Gray, 11. This was the common attitude expressed by many of the students that were active in 'Cosmos'. "We started out as a couple of students with common interests in science; since then, we have grown. Our strange name evolved from the popular T.V. show of the same name broadcast on Channel 19," remarked Todd Koelling, 11.

Nearly every year, the school has had a science club, but over the past few years interest had fallen; however many of the students that participated preferred not to call the organization a science club. "The club wasn't brought back, it was started. It is more than a science club. We deal with problems of today too," said Mike Wolf, Club President.

Although the club got to a late start, the members still had time to plan a few activities, including a study of the energy consumption at the high school.

BELOW: Waiting for a meeting to begin, club sponsor, Mr. Ted Dresie relaxes.



ABOVE: Reading the previous meeting's minutes, Todd Koelling, 11, holds everyone's attention.

LEFT: Junior Mike Wolf prepares to make a presentation at a Cosmos meeting.

KEY CLUB

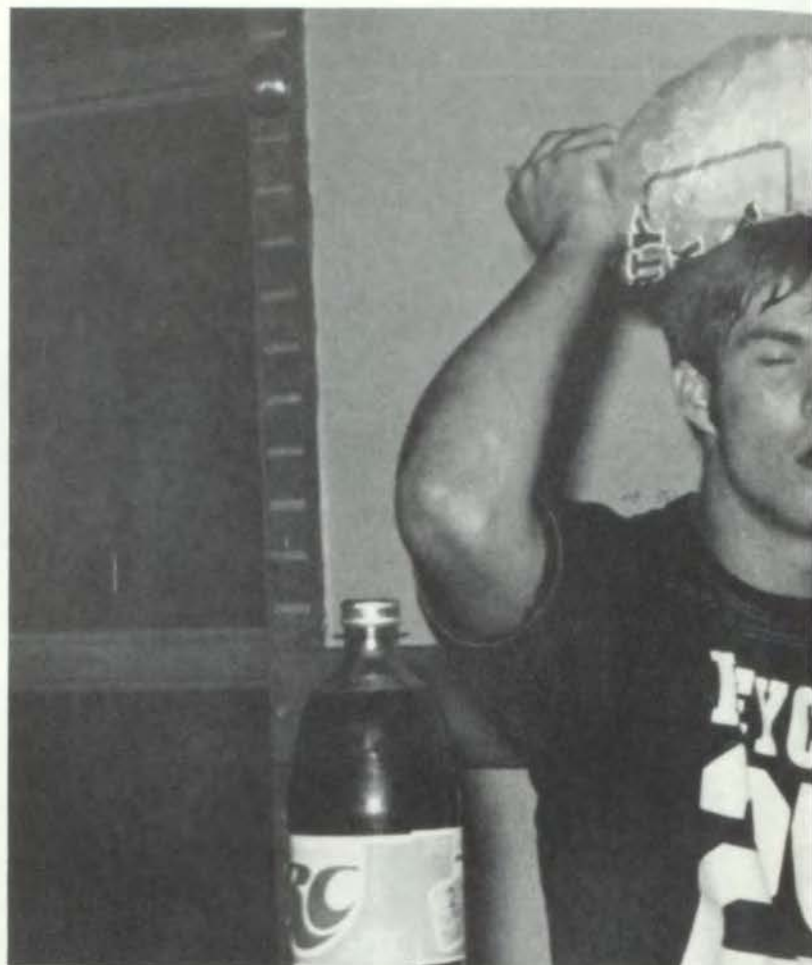
Students benefit through volunteer services

Keeping with the year's theme, "Dare to Influence," Key Club members devoted much of their time trying to influence the lives of others. "Key Club is an organization that cares about people and tries to do its best to make the lives of others better," explained President Julie Elsea, 12. Steve Miles, 12, added, "Key Club is an organization that not only cares about people, but makes an effort to do something about it."

Through many worthwhile projects, Key Club rendered service to benefit national, community, school, and personal needs. Such projects included ringing bells for the Salvation Army, wrapping Christmas gifts to benefit the Marillac Center, and sponsoring a student versus faculty, volleyball game for United Way. The club also raised money by selling trash bags and performing singing telegrams. "Not only are the activities fun, but I get the satisfaction of knowing that I've helped other people, commented Tina Appleby, 12.

Through helping others many members expressed that they helped themselves. "Helping someone is like doing something nice for myself because it gives me a good feeling inside," explained Teresa Schnell, 12. Laura Redlin, 11, added, "Helping others gives me more security because it makes me feel like I'm worth something."

Some students felt that the unselfish attitudes of the members was what made the club worthwhile. "What is so nice is that the club is made up of a group that cares more about doing things for others than they do about themselves," replied Denise Johnson, 12.



ABOVE: Seniors Julie Elsea, Marla Akers, and Teresa Schnell practice for a singing telegram.



RIGHT: Recruiting new members. Seniors Patty Hughes and Suzy Ducate, discuss future activities.

"It's refreshing to see that people still care." — President Julie Elsea, 12.



LEFT: At the fall rally, Roger Heard, 12, gains relief from the late summer heat.



ABOVE: At the Kiwanis vs. Key Club softball game, Carla DiRaimo, 9, scores another point as Mike Mahoney, 12, waits for the ball.

LEFT: Just before their telegram performance, Tonya Mayes, 10, Tim Albright, 10, Teresa Schultz, 9, and Teresa Schnell, 12, gather in the hall.

C GSA / C-CLUB

Goals, Ideals set high by concerned C-Club, CGSA members

Early morning meetings, raffle ticket sales for Booster Club and volleyball games against faculty opponents filled out part of the yearly agenda for CGSA and C-Club.

At first glance, one might see nothing but cliques for girl and boy jocks; not so. These clubs raised money to buy equipment for the high school athletics that Booster Club would not otherwise provide. "C-Club isn't an elite club; we accept anyone meeting the requirements. Admittance isn't based on personality," explained Terry Ward, 12. Kevin Brooks, 11, stated; "I think the requirements are good. Fulfilling them shows that the members can set a goal and reach it."

Admittance into both clubs was determined by two factors; whether or not the person wishing to join lettered in a varsity sport and was willing to pay yearly dues. "I have mixed emotions. It's a good club but not well organized or recognized," conceded C-Club's President Doug Darbyshire, 12. CGSA's President Lori Slyter, 12, also held feelings of uncertainty. "We usually have low attendance at our regular meetings. When we took orders for letterjackets, we had a very large turnout. I don't know if the people are interested in the good of the club or getting a cheaper price on their jackets," confided Slyter. "Another reason, probably the main reason, for the low attendance, at meetings is that we have few activities spread over the course of the year. Most of our activities happen all at once and so we have little to talk about when we're between activities."

As for the future, Lori Slyter would like to see an increase in the club's account. "I'd like to see the club be able to provide money to buy those conference patches, or all-district patches, etc . . . , that the girls have to pay for out of their own pockets. The patches aren't given away and are expensive," explained Slyter. Darbyshire summarized by saying, "In the past, C-Club had big attendance and people really liked it. I hope that returns. I may not see it, but I hope it does."

ABOVE: With a slight advantage, Jim Rebman, 11, wrestles Charles Christy, 11.

RIGHT: Early morning CGSA meetings find members sleepy-eyed and slow at getting started.

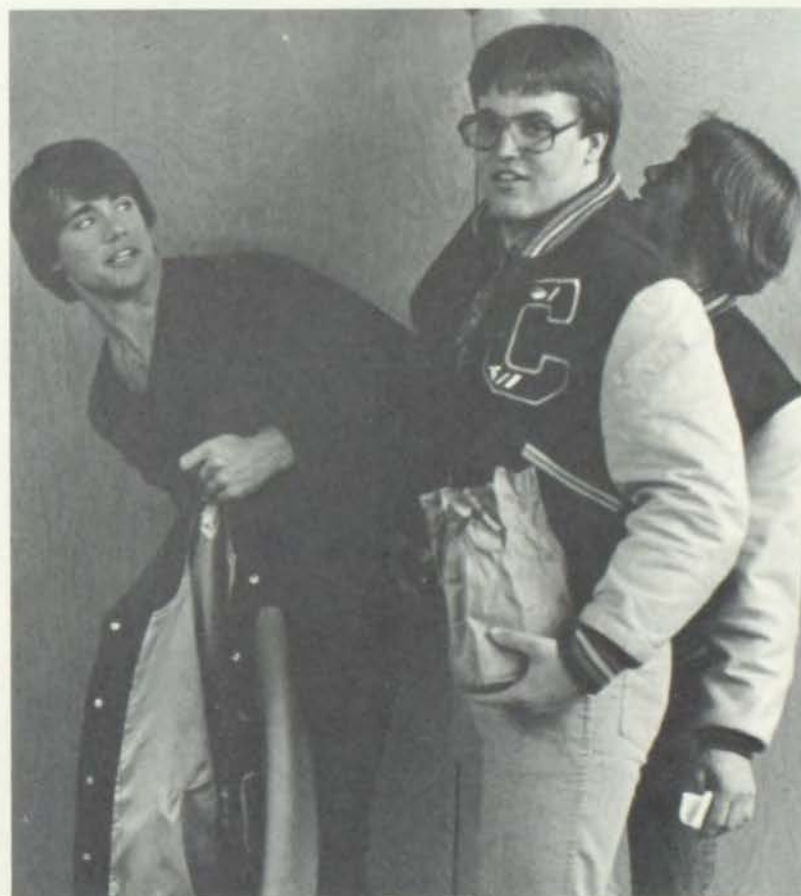


"CGSA helps benefit our athletes and I'm proud to be a part of it."—Randi Rittman, 12.



LEFT: Discussing club matters, CGSA officers and members meet early in the Media Center.

BELOW: Two of C-Club's "Sergeant-at-Arms," Craig Long, 12, and Jack Brandom, 12, offer opinions.



ABOVE: Jack Brandom, 12, Doug Darbyshire, 12, and Craig Long, 12, leave the C-Room.

RIGHT: Flexing, Brian Eubanks, 12, clowns around at an early morning meeting.



MARCHING BAND

Band keeps up furious pace during busy season

Marching Band never slowed down this season with practice after practice and game after game. The busy schedule was hard but enjoyable for most. "I thought it was great. It gave you more chances to be with your friends," said John Snider, 10.

The first big event the band participated in was band day at Arrowhead Stadium. Center joined five other bands and the Shriners circus to perform at halftime. Only the extreme heat marred the day as several band members passed out on the field or felt too sick to play. Sam Barnes, 10, commented, "It would have been a lot more enjoyable if it hadn't been so hot. There was still a lot of spirit though."

Missouri University's first game gave the band a chance to perform in their pregame show. Brenda Brandt, a member of the MU band, wrote this to Mr. Shaffer, "... I can tell you have a strong, disciplined band this year and I want to congratulate you and the band on a job well done ..."

Competing in the Blue Springs Marching Festival drained much of everyone's energy. By popular vote the band held practices every morning at 7:00 a.m., as well as the usual during school and Thursday night practices, to prepare for the contest. Although they didn't place, most members felt it was worth it. Terri Flucke, 11, stated, "I thought it was good for the band to compete. It gave us a chance to look at other bands and see how we could improve."

As well as participating in special events, the band performed at home games, played in pep assemblies, and formed a pep band to play at basketball games. The highlight of the regular season for the seniors was the Senior Show. "It was one of the better Senior Shows we've had since I've been here. It took more planning and organization and was a little classier," remarked Band Vice-President, Chuck Hawke, 12.

Although the band kept up an extremely busy schedule, including pulling off one of the most successful fruit sales in recent years with the sale of an entire semi-trailer truckload of fruit, they still had time for a little fun. The tuba section sponsored the First Annual Tuba Queen Contest. The 1980-81 Tuba Queen, Patty Hughes, 12, commented, "I think the band is the most spirited organization in school and the tuba section supplies a lot of that spirit. We didn't win any contests, but we had a lot of audience response. We also didn't buckle under the pressure from other bands."



Mr. Shaffer directs a Golden Girl to her place during the game at MU.

"It gives you a sense of pride to belong to the Marching Band." — Sam Barnes, 10.



LEFT: The percussion section lines up as the band gets ready to play.

BELOW: Members ride in the band float during the Homecoming parade.



ABOVE: Selected members perform during the Royals parade downtown.

LEFT: During Homecoming at halftime, Bryan Frischer, 10, gives it his all.

C ONCERT BAND

Four make all-district; two make all-state

What does a musician consist of? Ask Steve Kipp, 12, Jim Kice, 12, Janet Daniel, 10, or Claudia White, 9. They were members of the All-District band for which tryouts were held November 15, 1980, at Hickman Mills High School. All four of the musicians tried out and made the band. From there, they were eligible to try out for All-State band, held on December 6, 1980, in Columbia. Claudia and Steve made this band. Jim has made All-District for all three years in high school, and stated, "I've tried out for All-State three times and have never made it past call backs." Steve and Claudia travelled with other members of All-State Band to Tantara January 14-17. They practiced five hours a day to prepare for a concert on January 17. Claudia made both bands and was dubbed the first freshman in Center's history to make the bands. "I was nervous before they announced my name, I was shocked when they announced it, and then I was relieved when it was all over," she commented.

Mr. Shaffer directed two new bands, the fifth hour band and the sixth hour band. These bands were for not only freshmen and sophomores but juniors and seniors who could not participate in Marching Band first semester because of football, drill team, or cheerleading. These bands, as well as concert band, gave many concerts throughout the year.



ABOVE: During the holiday concert Tiffany Rawlings, 9, narrates a story.

RIGHT: Shannon Yeisley, 11, sight reads a new piece of music.



"I was more nervous for district band than for state band." — Janet Daniel, 10.



LEFT: During class, Mike Mahoney, 12, plays "Festive Overture."

FAR LEFT: Lori Williams, 11, and Beth Bailey, 10, practice their music.



CONCERT BAND—Front Row: Claudia White, Terri Flucke, Julia Butler, Beth Bailey, Leslie Katz, Laura Crouch, Mary Grooms, Tiffany Rawlings, Terri Sloan, Kim Accurso, Ann Graham, Patty Frakes, Suzanne Meyer, Gina Cosnotti, Andrea Poisner, Jennifer Bahr, Laura Redlin; Second Row: Cecelia DiRaimo, Diana Pascuzzi, Ami Bruce, Kym Beggs, Amy Eaton, Lori Williams, Kelly Hines, Della Heidbrink, Diane Young, Debbie Ryan, Cathy Gosselin, Karla Winterowd, Marlene Blend, Beth Carbah, Debbie Messina, Julie Crews, Lisa Riddell, Karen Lindholm, Flora Sue Winitz, Katherine Maas; Third Row: Diane Christy, Robbie Gillenwater, Rhonda Maas, Sam Barnes, Jeff Saper, Gregg Peters, Chris Fiorella, Jill Ross, Danny Garcia, Melinda Baughman, Cindy Fey, Mark Harris, Carrie Winterowd, Jenny Stoor, Mike Tritt; Fourth Row: Jim Mosby, Tom Shaffer, David Tritt, Todd Swartz, Anya Nebgen, Jim Kice,

Butch Kaye, John Perry, Bryan Frischer, Rod Wilcoxon, Janet Daniel, Barry Cruver, Bob Kinton, Mike Eaton, John Snider, Kris Hase; Fifth Row: Mark Bundy, Scott Kennedy, Scott Abel, Chuck Hawke, Wayne Locklear, Andy Slusher, Lynn Houston, Gary Miller, Greg Baze, Jay Thomas, Ray Klein, Myron Ashley, Corbin Woods, David Pierret, Matt Kauffman; Back Row: Mike Mahoney, Glenn Hunt, Mark Hatfield, Julia Meyer, Phil Hines, John Chapman, Kevin Montgomery, Mark Eaton, John McGuire, Suzy Ducate, Jamie Graves, Terri Gragg, Lorie Leahy, Patty Hughes; Not Pictured: Duane Ball, Lisa Cassity, Brent Clemons, Kyla Edwards, David Giese, Alan Hase, Steve Hedgepeth, Denise Johnson, Elizabeth Kauffman, Jim Kinsinger, Steve Kipp, Jimmy Lewis, Olivia Myers, Holly Owens, Shannon Yeisley, Keith Young.

C ONCERT CHOIRS

Choir accents play beautiful music for singers

"Because choir never had a group to back them up, parents of choir members formed an organization to raise money to do fun things," Jill Sappington, 10, commented about choir's newest addition, Choir Accents. "This organization, made up of parents of choir members united to hold fund raisers throughout the year, so that the choir might take a trip at the end of the year," she said. A few of the fund raisers were selling mistletoe at Christmas, selling T-shirts and selling raffle tickets for a ham and a turkey. "Everyone received the idea very well," said Lori Slyter, 12. "Choir had only a certain amount of money in their budget to do different things. Now, with Choir Accents, we'll have money to do things," she added. Suzy Siegler, 11, commented, "Overall, fundraisers have been very successful. Our parents and friends have been spirited and dedicated enough to assist us through on our ventures, which have been original."

Along with performing at concerts with the entire choir, the Chamber Choir, a select group of thirty individuals, whose combined voices produced melodious harmonization, travelled about town for performances. "The Chamber Choir sang for the Lions Club dinner at Jess and Jim's Steak House, caroled at the Plaza, sang at the Alameda Plaza Hotel, sang at Crown Center, performed in a talent show at Lakeside Hospital, and sang at City Hall," stated Trish Morgan, 11.



ALL DISTRICT CHOIR—Julia Butler, 12, Jill Sappington, 10, Suzi Siegler, 11, Elizabeth Heng, 10, Gregg Peters, 11, Christina Kartsonis, 10, Claudia Hayslett, 12, John Snider, 10.



CHAMBER CHOIR—Front Row: Michelle Miller, Jill Sappington, Jeff Davis, Elizabeth Heng, Jon Wenski, Mindy Meyer, Warren Anderson, Donna Hettinger, Susan Simon; Second Row: Lori Slyter, Terry Williams, Trish Morgan, Kevin Levine, Tamar Ginzburg, Jamie Ginsburg, Kelley Tedlock, Lea Lavish, Jean Scanlon; Third Row: Suzy Siegler, Claudia

Hayslett, David Pierret, Elaina Holmberg, John Snider, Caren Eisenstein, Brian Sinclair, Christina Kartsonis, Kevin Chronister; Back Row: Mitch Allison, Missy Hanover, Leo ReVoal, Patsy Tavernaro, Michael Small, Kym Beggs, Gregg Peters, Julia Butler, Jerry Rapp; Not Pictured: David Tritt.

Students follow Mr. Chronister's musical directions.

"We've really gotten a lot accomplished this year" — Stacy Bell, 11.



CONCERT CHOIR—Front Row: Michelle Rausch, Stacy Bell, Jill Sappington, Elizabeth Heng, Kelley Tedlock, Rick Pollak, Lea Lavish, Randy Ashford, Natalie Reed, Brian Rex; Second Row: Lori Slyter, Claudia Hayslett, Caren Eisenstein, Dave Wilson, Tamar Ginzburg, Terry Williams, Julia Butler, Curt Arnold, Karla Glannon, Kelly Porter; Third Row: Melissa Judge,

Dana Bardwell, Suzi Siegler, Jamie Ginsburg, Leslie Katz, Chuck Roberts, Donna Hettinger, Brian Sinclair, Elaina Holmberg, Kevin Chronister; Back Row: Jana DiVilbiss, Michelle Gallas, Pete Raske, Lisa Vanderford, Michael Small, Kym Beggs, Gregg Peters, Lynn White, Jim Agnos, Christina Kartsonis.



CONCERT CHOIR—Front Row: Jean Scanlon, Jeff Davis, Lisa Clough, Jon Wenski, Michelle Miller, Lori Nelms, Jennifer Davis, Lori Lisman, Allison DeWitt, Mary Reckart; Second Row: Jim Hamrick, Missy Hanover, Mike Middleton, Jody Canino, Kevin Levine, Anna Connelly, Rick Lerner, Mindy Meyer, Susan Simon, DeeAnn Suchanek; Third Row: Patsy Tavernaro,

Leo ReVoal, Mindy Turner, Jerry Rapp, Lisa Phelps, Warren Anderson, Trish Morgan, Lori Eveloff, Marty Cowling, Anya Nebgen; Back Row: Albert Janssens, Karen Claar, Brian Kraft, Karen Levine, John Snider, Jana Teefey, David Pierret, Nancy Clark, Mitch Allison, Shelly Hayes; Not Pictured: Julie Stone, Julie Tavernaro, David Tritt.



C HOIRS

Melody Maidens, Gentlemen Songsters produce "unique" sounds

"I wish I had a dollar for every time I had to use my voice on you people!" Such exclamations could be heard during the various hours Mr. John Chronister instructed choir classes. The cream of the choirs combined into two groups—Melody Maidens and Gentlemen Songsters. These groups held few restrictions for entry except being in Concert Choir, auditioning, and being the correct sex. "Our range and the quality of our voices are what's tested most. I think those are important factors," confided Eli Heng, 10. Other qualities Mr. Chronister stresses were consistency throughout the year and cooperation.

Students worked their way up to the groups, such as Melody Maidens, through various other choirs such as Freshman Choir and Blue-Gold Choir. "We always need more boys. Girls can play any instrument in band but can't sing bass or tenor," reflected Chronister. He also added, "We start working the first of the year. We prepare for State and usually don't work after contest." "I think we have a really good sound and I wish we'd perform some other concerts," said Leslie Katz, 12. Another member, Lea Lavish, 10, remarked, "Melody Maidens should probably be more active so when contest comes, it's not so much of a change." Patsy Tavernaro, 12, summed up her feelings in this way: "Center is one of the top schools at Contest and it's a great feeling knowing that you're the one the other schools are out to beat. I'm proud to be a part of the group."



MELODY MAIDENS—Front Row: Mindy Meyer, Michelle Rausch, Stacey Bell, Jill Sappington, Elizabeth Heng, Kelley Tedlock, Jean Scanlon, Mary Reckart, Michelle Miller, Lea Lavish, Natalie Reed, Lori Lisman, Allison DeWitt; Second Row: Jennifer Davis, Lori Slyter, Jody Canino, Anya Nebgen, Missy Hanover, Tamar Ginzburg, Donna Hettinger, Karla Glannon, Kelly Porter, Susan Simon, Dee Ann Suchanek, Leslie Katz, Lorie Nelms; Third Row: Melissa Judge, Claudia Hayslett, Michelle Gallas, Trish Morgan, Dana Bardwell, Suzy Siegler, Lisa Clough, Shelly Hayes, Karen Claar, Lori Eveloff, Elaina Holmberg, Anna Connelly, Marty Cowling; Back Row: Jana DiVilbiss, Nancy Clark, Jana Teefey, Caren Eisenstein, Mindy Turner, Lisa Vanderford, Lynn White, Lisa Phelps, Kym Beggs, Chris Kartsonis, Julia Butler, Patsy Tavernaro, Karen Levine.

RIGHT: Several Concert Choir members pictured here also sing in Melody Maidens.



"Melody Maidens is more enjoyable because we can work more on details." — Julia Butler, 12.

LEFT: The "Best Theme" is given to the Choir's Homecoming float.

GENTLEMEN SONGSTERS—Front Row: Rick Pollak, Jeff Davis, Terry Williams, Jon Wenski, Kevine Levine, Warren Anderson, Randy Ashford, Brian Rex, Rick Lerner; Second Row: Curt Arnold, Chuck Roberts, Mike Middleton, John Snider, Jamie Ginsberg, Jim Hamrick, Kevin Chronister, Brian Sinclair, Jerry Rapp; Back Row: David Pierret, Brian Kraft, Leo ReVoal, Mike Small, Gregg Peters, Albert Janssens, Jim Agnos, Pete Raske, Mitch Allison.



ABOVE: Lea Lavish, 10, Chris Kartsonis, 10, Susan Simon, 10, and Donna Hettinger, 12, practice.

LEFT: Riding the Choir's entree at Homecoming, Eli Heng, 10, and Chris Kartsonis, 10, wave.

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7TH STREET GANG

Nursing home performances give satisfaction

"I like performing at the old folks' homes the best. They enjoy seeing kids perform," commented Bryan Frischer, 10. Most members in Gang agreed that nursing homes were the most enjoyable places to perform. "I like performing for old folks. We can make them open up; make them happier," remarked Kym Beggs, 12. Mrs. Alice Gene Meacham, sponsor, added, "The Veterans Day program means so much to the audience. It brings a little happiness to monotonous lives." On Veterans Day Gang performed at the Marlborough Senior Citizens Center, the Holmesdale Convalescent Center, the Red Bridge Health Care Center, and the Indian Creek Nursing Center.

Members of Gang named several reasons why they tried out. "I heard about it at Center North last year and I thought it would be fun," stated Bryan. Mike Small, 12, added, "When I heard them sing I knew I wanted to be in it." "Caren Eisenstein influenced me to join," said Kym.

JoeDee Beach summed up the feelings of just about everyone in Gang. "Singing for other people and making them happy gives me a good feeling about myself," he concluded.



ABOVE: Gang performs during Christmas at a Department of Agriculture Luncheon.

RIGHT: A tribute to Mrs. Meacham for her ten years as sponsor is performed.



"It is very satisfying to work with the cream of the crop." — Alice Gene Meacham.



LEFT: During their Christmas medley, Gang performs several songs, including "White Christmas."

BELOW: Gregg Peters, 11, introduces the Gang during the opening number.



LEFT: 87TH STREET GANG—Front Row: Lori Slyter, 12, Robin Nafus, 11, Becki Henley, 12, Syd Montgomery, 11; Back Row: Glen Sands, 11, JoeDee Beach, 12, Julia Butler, 12, Mike Small, 12, Kym Beggs, 12, Gregg Peters, 11, Caren Eisenstein, 12, Bryan Frischer, 10.

P LAYERS 58

Action, practicality, attract Players members

For some, public performance represented the attractive facet of Players 58, but for others this club held a more important feature.

What feature drew people to this club? As Andy Miller, 12, explained, "I think that the other clubs don't offer any help for a career, but Players 58 gave me an opportunity to get involved with show business and all its aspects, which I hope to go into some day."

Getting involved with the shows not only kept members busy, but it helped to improve the poise and confidence necessary to speak before large groups of people. "I really felt that with the experience Players gave, many underclassmen will be more confident," concluded Andy.

Michelle Melson pointed out another reason why members thrived in the club, "It gave everyone interested in theater something to bring them together; we were always doing something and you never knew what to expect next." This constant activity gave many members a reason to stay active. Michelle continued, "It was one production after another and when we weren't working a show we could always go to Waldo Astoria or find something Players was putting on." "The meetings were always fun and not always business-like so it was like a family get together. I think we got more done that way," remarked Holly Owens, 11.

Perhaps Kip Weiner best summed up the overall feeling that club members agreed upon. "After the show is over you really can't appreciate what you've learned until the next show," he said.



ABOVE: Using his skills outside Players, Jerry Rapp, 12, talks at the leadership conference.

RIGHT: Duane Ball, 12 prepares to light the candles of Chris Kartsonis, 10, Mona Stewart, 10, and Mike Levine, 10, at the Players induction.



"There is nothing like an actor and nothing like Players 58." — Kip Weiner, 11.



ABOVE: Talking to prospective members at orientation, Dawn Williams, 12, and Duane Ball, 12, sit at their booth.

LEFT: Riding Players float advertising the fall show Jeanie Ducate, 11, Betty Cook, 11, Leslie Katz, 12, and Laura Crouch, 11, enjoy recreating the 50's.

F ALL PLAY

Audience reaction affects player performance

"Friday night the crowd was really restless and that affected us so that we didn't do our best. We had to do a lot of talking to get everybody up again for Saturday," commented Claudia Hayslett, 12. The audience reaction played a big part in the performance of the actors in the fall play, "Once in a Lifetime." "The reaction of the audience affects us immensely. If the audience doesn't like it the show drags and it shows on us. If it goes well we put out more," remarked David Tritt, 12. Jon Bowles, 9, added, "When there is an audience you become enthusiastic, you get a really good feeling when they laugh and clap."

Along with playing to the audience the actors also had to develop the characters they played. "I liked my part because I got to act like a person I wanted to be. The hat check girl was a person who went out to get something she wanted," stated Amy Howk, 11. Caren Eisenstein, who played the part of Susan's mother, said, "This show was the most fun because my character was really wild, a crazy old lady. I could do anything I wanted to with her."

Developing their character was not the only facet of a player's performance. Working with the other members of the cast and crew was also important. "What helped me stay in character the most was the help I got backstage from the other characters and the crew," concluded Jeanie Ducate, 11.



ABOVE: Taking comfort in George's (David Tritt) arms, Susan (Jeanie Ducate) cries over her failed career.

ABOVE RIGHT: In Mr. Glogaur's (Mike Small) office, Kammerling (Kip Weiner) and George (David Tritt) discuss possible stars.



"The audience encourages you if they're enjoying it." — Caren Eisenstein, 12.



LEFT: George (David Tritt) and Jerry (Jerry Rapp) discuss plans to go to Hollywood.

BELOW: Susan (Jeanie Ducate) and May (Julia Butler) get ready to shoot the movie.



LEFT: Deciding what to do after their movie failure, Jerry (Jerry Rapp), May (Julia Butler), and George (David Tritt) talk over their plans.

FAR LEFT: After suffering a nervous breakdown, Lawrence Vail (Duane Ball) talks with May (Julia Butler).



MUSICAL

Fiftieth show draws record crowds

Opening night radiated a certain excitement and anticipation for the actor and the audience, but "Guys and Dolls" opening performance proved to be much more.

"Guys and Dolls" represented not only the fiftieth show performed on Center's stage, but the fiftieth show on which Mr. Landes and Mrs. Scott served as production executives. "Not only was it an honor, but very special to me to work on fifty shows and watch the drama program grow," pointed out Mr. Landes. "It was also special in that this was the last time I was able to work with some of the Seniors and what a show to do it with," he concluded at the closing night cast meeting. The show "Guys and Dolls" proved to be a good choice. All three nights received record breaking crowds and the shows expenses were met with relative ease. "Guys and Dolls" played once before, in 1969, to a similarly responsive and supportive crowd.

For the Seniors this golden anniversary show highlighted the end of their work in the drama department. "I don't really feel good about leaving the department, but I think the memories of this show and the people I worked with will make it a little easier," summed up Mike Small, 12.

For the underclassmen this show marked a new horizon for continuing interest toward production. "The freshmen have a good deal," remarked Mike Dierks, 9, "they get a chance to work on more shows and if they're anything like this one, four years will seem like a short time."

"With the great crowd response and the support the show received, I think that during the next fifty shows people will see even higher quality of productions." summed up Lina Stewart, 12.



ABOVE RIGHT: Adelaide (Julia Butler) and her Debutantes prepare for the feature strip number at the Hot Box Night Club.

RIGHT: During a sewer crap game, Big Jule (Jim Agnos) persuades Nathan Detroit (Jerry Rapp) to put up his money for another roll.



"Being on stage for the first time is scary, but the applause makes it worth while." – Carl Ash, 9.

Performing as a Hot Box Farmerette, Niki (Michelle Gallas) and Lilly (Jennifer Roudebush) dance before the nightclub crowd.



ABOVE: At the El Cafe Cubano, Cuban dancers Lisa Yoksh and Debbie Aaron rhumba for the entertainment of the spectators.

LEFT: After visiting the El Cafe Cubano, Sky Masterson (Mike Small) tries to support a slightly intoxicated Sarah Brown (Claudia Hayslett).



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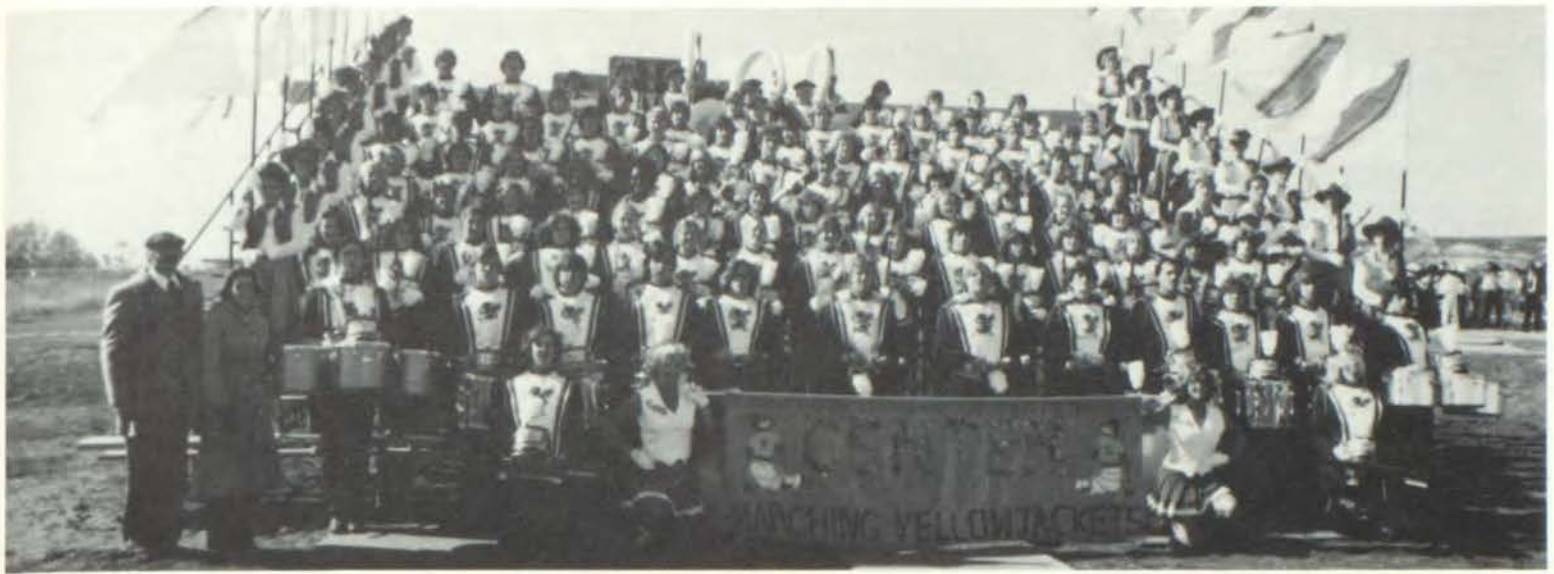


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Jerry Hyland	Jerry Rapp	Second Electrician/Lightman	Tom Cook
George Lewis	David Tritt	Bellboy/Cameraman	Terry Williams
Helen Hobart	Claudia Hayslett	Mr. Flick/Conductor	Mike Levine
Susan Walker	Jeanie Ducate	Bishop/Photographer	Chuck Roberts
Mrs. Walker	Caren Eisenstein	Miss Chasen	Michelle Melson
Phyllis Fontaine	Denise Johnson	Cigarette Girl	Lea Lavish
Florabel Leigh	Suzy Siegler	Hatcheck Girl	Amy Howk
Kammerling	"Kip" Weiner	George's Secretary	Kirsten Levin
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Sullivan	Brian Rex	Bridesmaids	Stefanie Brown
Fulton	Mary Groons		Carol Dayson
Pages	Mary Beth Tritt		Wendy Toth
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Sr. Class Vice-Pres.	Soph. Class Reps.
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Sr. Class Reps.	Kim Accurso
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Clay Lyon	Fresh. Class Pres.
Melanie White	Claudia White
Rod Wilcoxon	Fresh. Class Vice-Pres.
Jr. Class Pres.	Christy Porter
Julie Tavernaro	Sec./Treas.
Jr. Class Vice-Pres.	Fresh. Class Reps.
Nancy Clark — Sec./Treas.	Jeff Saper
Jr. Class Reps.	Kris Hale
Trisha Morgan	Julie Combs
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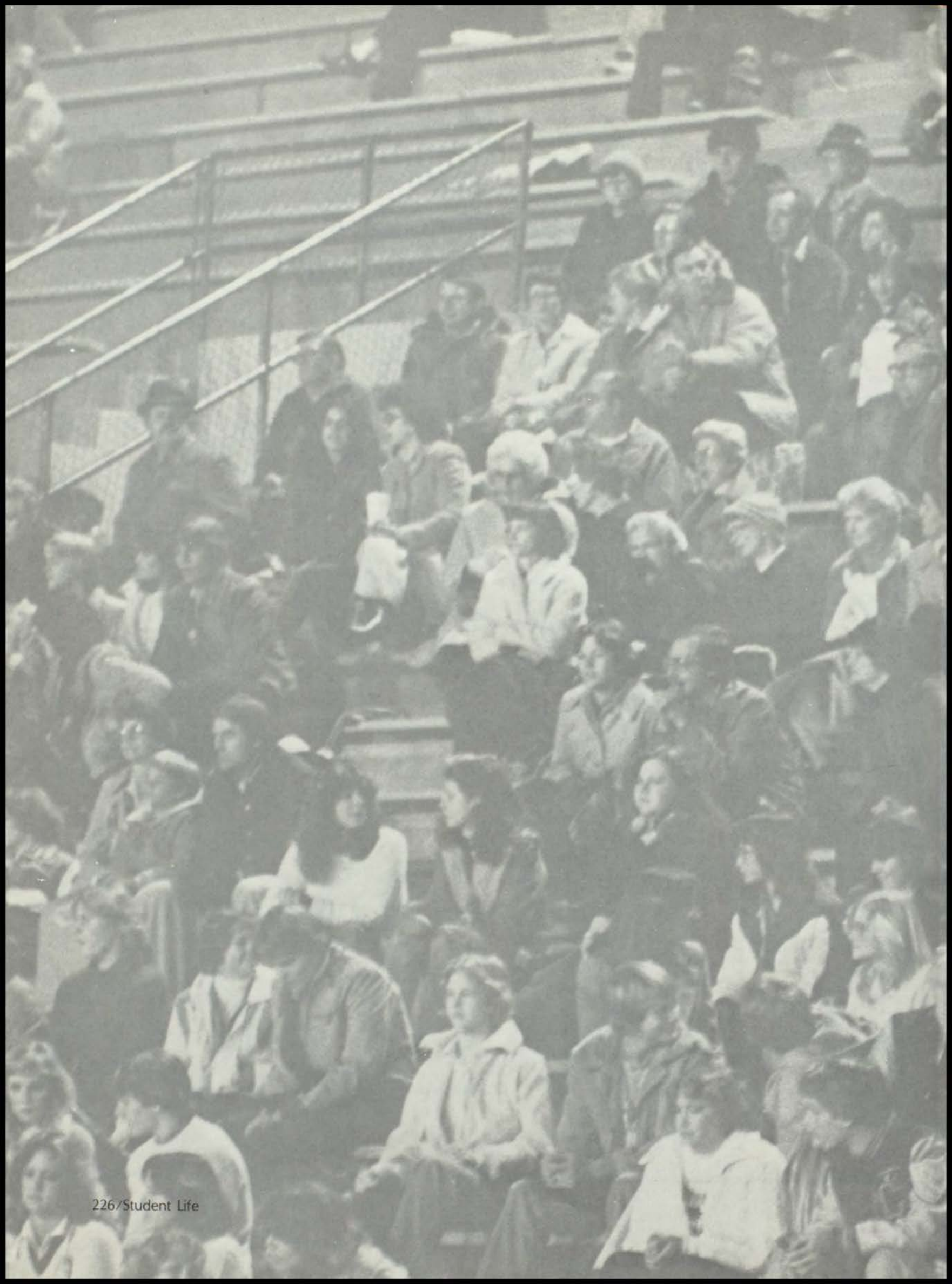
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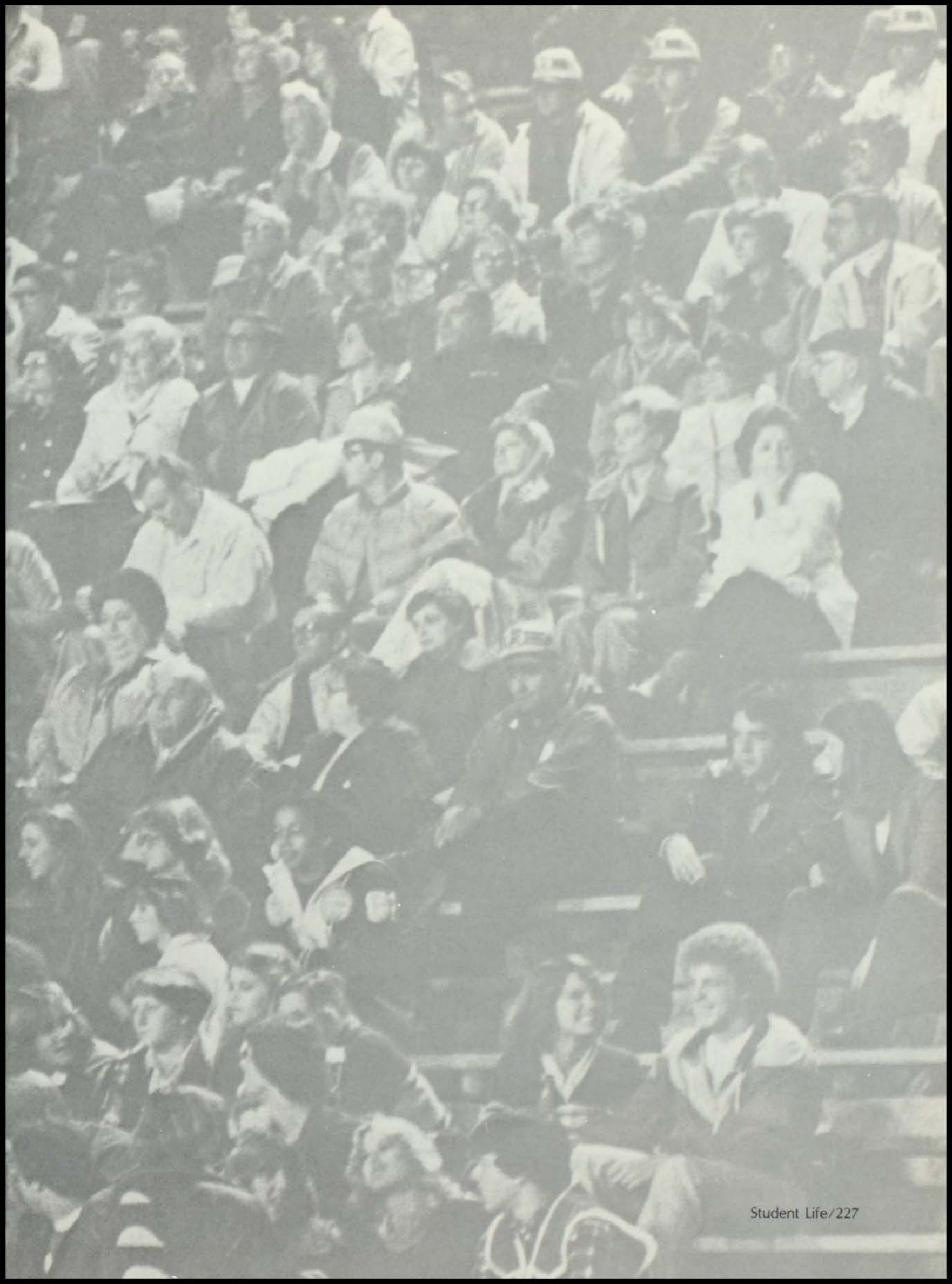
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SUMMER

- May 27 - Centerites tour Mexico
- June 4 - Genesis Concert
- July 13-16 - Drill Team Camp
 - Temperatures rise to 110°
- Aug. 19 - School Orientation
- 25 - First day of school
- 29 - Foghat Concert

As the summer months went by people felt the heat's intensity. Many people died as other citizens tried to help by sending money to groups helping those in need.



SEPTEMBER

- 2 - Spirit Club sells T-shirts
- 12 - Queen Concert
- 13 - Band at Missouri University
 - Ice Breaker Dance
- 15 - Deca-Parent Tea
 - Led Zepplin's drummer John Bohmen dies

The wheel of seasons turned again as students made their way back to school. Getting back into the swing of things, clubs met for the first time and elected their officers.



OCTOBER

- 1 - Leadership Conference
- 13-18 - Homecoming
- 14 - Fall Choral Concert
- 14-21 - World Series
- 17 - College Day
- 22 - Royals Parade

Homecoming made itself felt with the students dressing up during the week and decorating the halls. The theme "American Graffiti" allowed students to display their impression of the 50's era by their club float. The numerous floats and the club's ingenuity captured the eye.



NOVEMBER

- 3—PTA Family Fun Night
- 4—Poli Sci Election Party
- 21—MGM Fire in Las Vegas
- 21-22—Fall Play Once in a Lifetime
- 28-29—Key Club rings bells for Salvation Army

During the election people kept a close watch on their television set for the final results. The race between Carter and Reagan neared an end as Carter realized his defeat, giving a concession speech.



JANUARY

- 1—Minimum wage increased to \$3.25
- 5—School Resumes
- 19-23—Basketball Tournament
- 20—Ronald Reagan's Inauguration
- Hostages freed

As the new semester started the Bangkok flu moved in keeping many students at home. During the week of the 18th to the 24th the school absentee list reached a peak of 278 causing concern among the teachers.



DECEMBER

- 5—Led Zepplin broke up
- 8—John Lennon murdered
- 14—Holiday Concert, Band and Choir
- 16—Spanish Club Christmas Carols
- 19—Winter Vacation

This Christmas students had the longest vacation in quite some time. Most of the Seniors felt the vacation could have been longer while some Underclassmen became bored. They said at times they felt restless because they ran out of things to do.



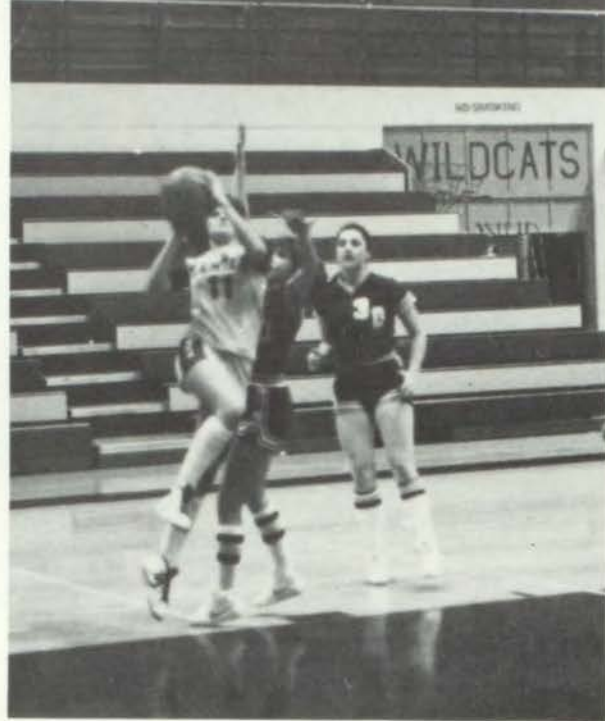
FEBRUARY

- 1—School cancelled as wind chill reaches 50 degrees below zero
- 9-16—Georgetown Model U.N.
- 19—Beach Boys Concert
- 21—Courtwarming Dance
- 26-28—Musical Guys and Dolls

The Sno-Ball Dance usually occurring in December was changed to a Courtwarming in February. Student Council hoped to raise more money by putting more of a separation between dances. Adding something new, they announced the Queen at half time at a basketball game.

FAR RIGHT: After defeating Park Hill, Jim Mosby, 12, proudly accepts the first place trophy at the Belton tournament.

RIGHT: Dribbling by O'Hara opponents, Sara Westgate, 12, attempts a layup.



ABOVE: Scott Kennedy, 11, takes off with a good start during a Raytown South meet.

RIGHT: The marching band performs during a special assembly when the M.U. band visited and performed for Center.

The Year in Sports



ABOVE: Taking the lead in a tough meet, Mike McTernan, 10, passes his opponents.

LEFT: Lynn Marley, 9, bumps the ball to the front line during an away game.

RIGHT: Cleaning transparencies, Mrs. Weigand, prepares notes for her Calculus class.

BELOW: Working with Terry Williams, Mr. Smith explains a composition assignment.



Faculty switch creates problems

To add to the already confusing mess of semester schedule change, the administration and students faced yet another problem of teachers leaving at semester break.

Both the Mathematics and Language Arts departments suffered the most with three losses total. These numerous openings in the departments presented the administration with a problem, but to make matters worse they occurred at the middle of the year. "It is always hard to find teachers this late in the year, but the unusual number of openings really made it difficult," commented Mr. Paris.

The administration also had to shift classes around to ease the transition period for the new teachers. "We tried to give the teachers as many classes of the same subject matter as we could to cut down on their work load," concluded Mr. Paris.

Students found these teaching staff changes a little surprising. "I didn't know quite what to expect and after I got into the room I knew even less," stated Glen Sands, 11. "Mrs. Weigand shifted the people with the best test scores toward the back and those with the worst toward the front. This really shocked me at first, but I got over it," concluded Glen with a smirk.



BELOW: Discussing the class assignment, Mrs. Harter gives David Asjes, 12, advice.

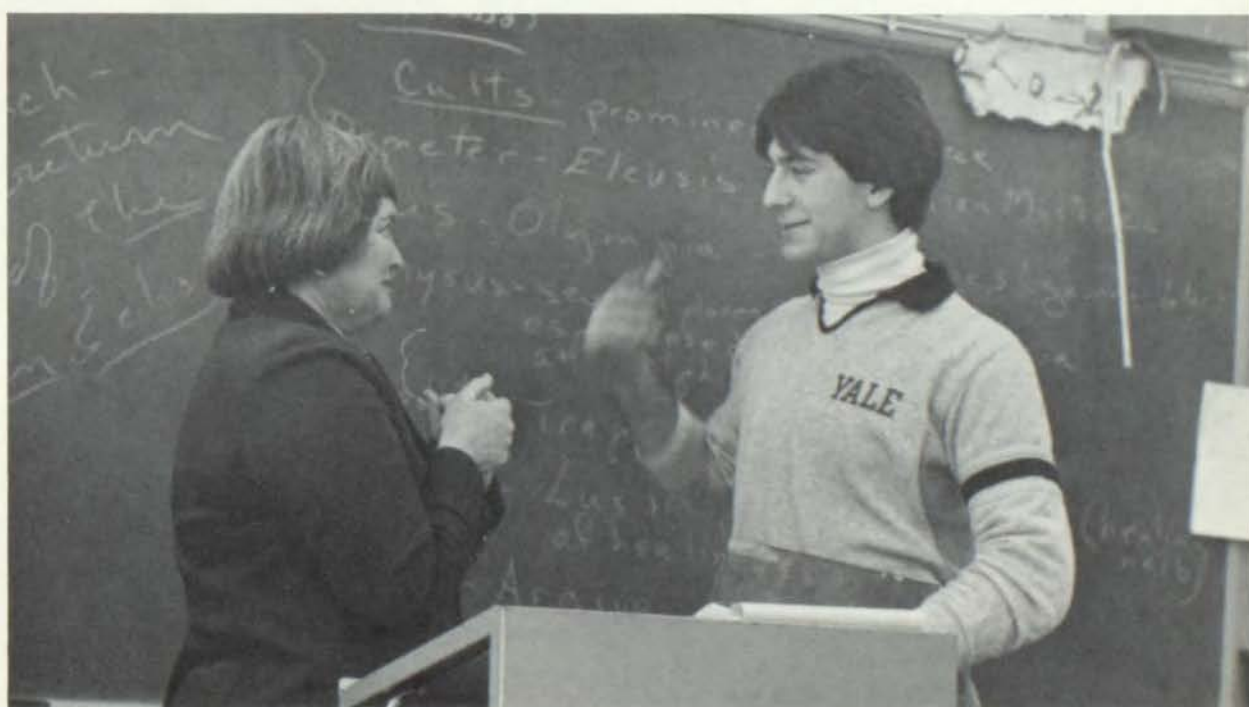


Popular teacher leaves Center

"I am not officially retiring, just leaving teaching," remarked Mrs. Sue Rose Harter, language arts teacher. Mrs. Harter left Center after 20 years of teaching. She was born in Columbia, Missouri, to parents she described as dedicated intellectuals. She attended high school at St. Joe Central, received her B.S. in Education from KU, and her M.A. from UMKC. At KU she was elected ROTC Queen and nominated for Homecoming Queen. She first taught at Leavenworth High School for five years before moving to Kansas City.

After her move she decided to teach at Center. Because of her many years here, Mrs. Harter saw many changes occur over that time. The set curriculum of LA I,II,III, and IV changed to a choice of electives. There arose openmindedness to academic experimentation; if it didn't work, scrap it. There came a greater freedom for teachers to grade as they saw fit. Students also changed, from the hippies of the '60's to more conservative, grade conscious, formal students.

Her popularity with the students became widespread. Many students signed up for a class just because she taught it. Elaine Payne, 12, echoed the thoughts of many, "I think she is the most brilliant teacher I have ever met; she's great."



LEFT: Putting up formulas for his newly acquired class, Dr. Hohly explains the principles.

ABOVE: Joking with Mrs. Harter, Mike Small, 12, relates a humorous anecdote.

Homeroom use varies with students

Homeroom shifts were used by students for a variety of reasons. Working, and goofing off were the general activities of students. "I only work when I have something important I have to get done," confided Denise Johnson, 12. Denise went on to say, "I think homeroom is a good idea. It gives students a chance to work on things they'd otherwise have to stay after school for."

Senior Roger Heard felt this way; "Although most of the kids around me abuse it, I think homeroom is a good idea." Rather than visiting with friends or listening to the radio, as Junior Amy Howk's, classmates do, Denise felt lunch and homeroom shifts could combine to make an hour for open lunch for Seniors. Visit or work; do you use homeroom wisely?



ABOVE: Making last minute checks, Sania Fazelat, 12, leafs through papers.



RIGHT: Leaving his studying, Mark Hatfield, 11, stares at the camera.

BELOW: Relaxing with a book, Julia Meyers, 12, absorbs herself in reading.



ABOVE: Making use of homeroom, Angie Saunders, 10, works on Home Economics.

LEFT: Stunned by the camera, Amy Bink, 9, and Barbara Heft, 9, stop talking.

ABOVE: Elizabeth Lehr, 9, assumes a comfortable position to study.

Creative staff defies traditions

It seems like only a few days ago that we were all sitting around the room with our feet propped up on the tables and vaguely discussing all the decisions we knew would have to be made sooner or later. We knew we wanted to try our hands at defying tradition, so we brainstormed to come up with logical ways to do so.

Our first challenge came with trying to decide how to provide plenty of space in the book to cover adequately the addition of Freshmen to the school. The School Board had already decided to allow us a slightly larger book, but we still needed more space, so we added an extra signature, (16 pages) and cut out division pages. To compensate for the loss of division pages, we used special layouts and graphics throughout each section, and special section identifications on each page.

Another major change came when we decided against any full color. We chose, instead, to spend the money in our budget on the special cover design, the additional signature, and spot color.

After we had made most of the decisions, we began getting down to work or rather putting off the work. We were all guilty of procrastination at least once during each deadline, but we somehow always managed to make the deadlines even if it meant skipping lunch, staying after school, or losing a few hours of sleep.

This year has definitely been packed with a lot of joy and a little bit of sadness. As others look back at this book to recall special memories, we, the staff, will look back and remember the time spent creating the book and the good times we had while making it, as well as the making of new friends and the strengthening of old friendships.

BELOW: Gary Miller helps Tom Shaffer examine proofs for errors.



ABOVE: Concentrating to find the right words, Erika Blacksher writes captions during class.

LEFT: Paying close attention, Marla Akers watches as Sara Westgate demonstrates how to load a camera.



YEARBOOK STAFF—Front Row: Tina Appleby, Suzy Ducate, Marla Akers, Stacy Talpers, Erika Blacksher; Second Row: Rick Thomas, Cecelia DiRaimo, Duane Ball, Hoi Hei Ho, Debbie Messina, Marlene Blend; Third Row: Alicia Gordon, Sarah Talbert, Janet Adkins, Debbie Aaron, Jannie Sherry, Katherine Maas; Back Row: Mark Eimer, Mary Lu Foreman, Sponsor; Rachel Levy, Gary Miller, Sara Westgate, Tom Shaffer, Marcy LaQuey.



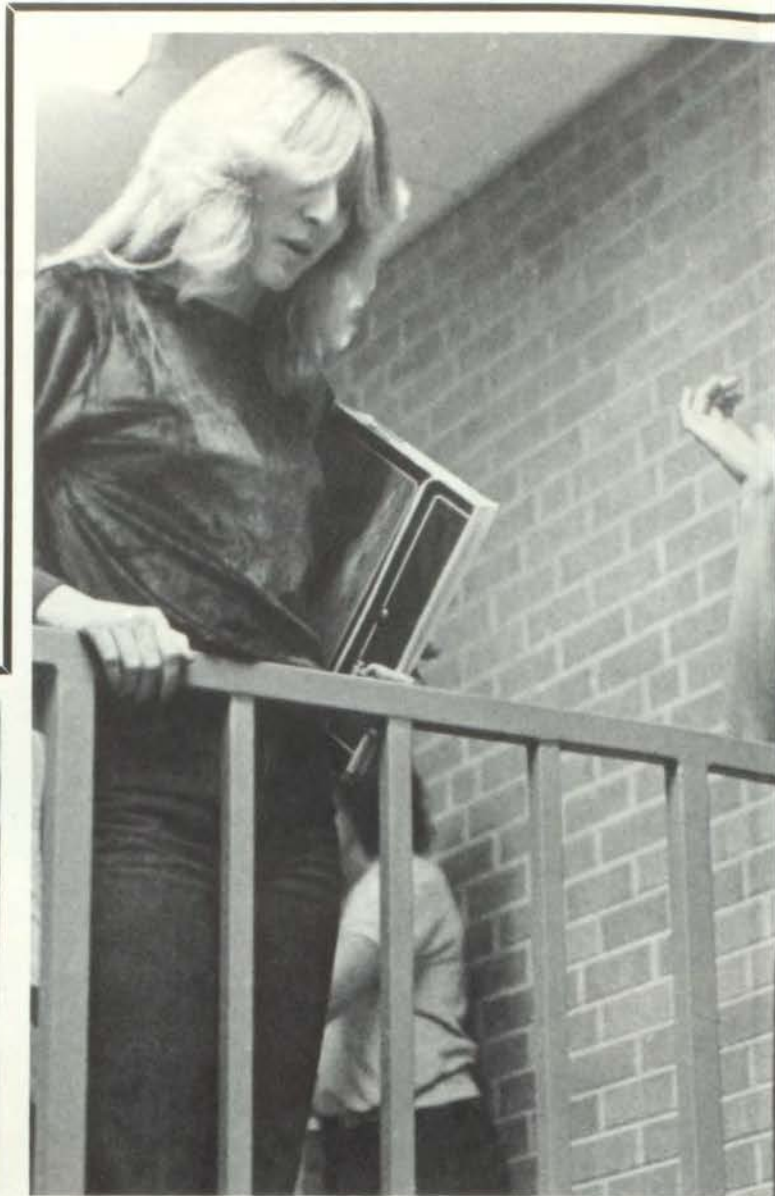
ABOVE: Marlene Blend and Hoi Hei Ho look through contact sheets.

LEFT: Mark Eimer, Duane Ball, and Cecelia DiRaimo carry senior supplements to be mailed.

TOP RIGHT: Jannie Sherry, Marcy LaQuey, and Rachel Levy smile at the audience as the yearbook staff's first float circles the track.

RIGHT: Lisa Nash, 10, and Steve Pierret, 10, congregate on the stairs between classes.

BELOW: Clowning around during lunch is common place for Seniors Jim Mosby and Brian Eubanks.



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The year of 1980-81 will be one to remember. It marked the end of the captivity for the 52 American hostages held in Iran. After 444 days the hostages returned to the United States just as President Carter's term ended. With their long-awaited release came reports of bad treatment that they had never before voiced.

Republican Ronald Reagan won the Presidency by a landslide over President Carter. The dissatisfaction of the people with the President became evident as the campaign continued.

The Russian invasion of Afghanistan and the war between Iran and Iraq strained relations between the superpowers and increased tensions in the hostage negotiations.

Ex-Beatle and rock hero, John Lennon, was murdered near his New York apartment after the release of a new hit album, "Double Fantasy." Millions mourned his death in ceremonies like the Candlelight Vigil held here in Kansas City at Volker Park.

Bouts of unusual weather made headlines throughout the area. A summer heatwave, a year long drought, and periods of warm winter weather all hit K.C.

These and other events shaped the nation and the attitudes of the people in both positive and negative ways.



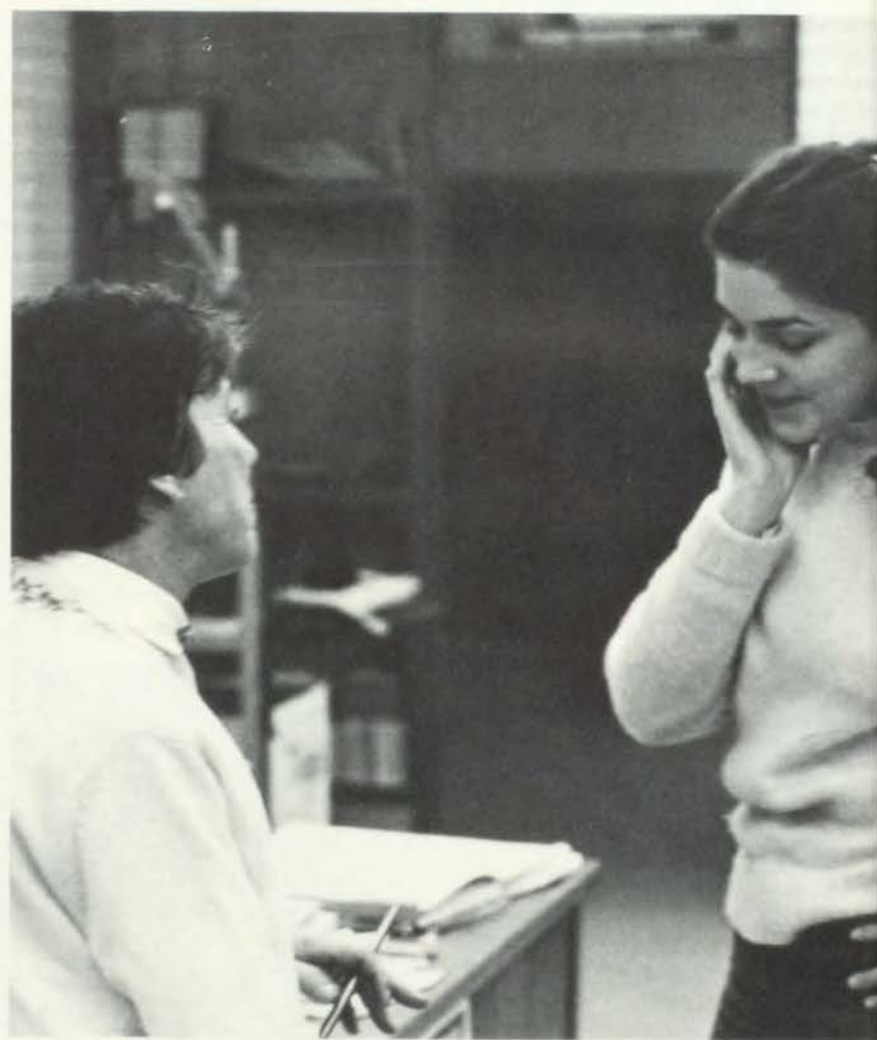
Clowning around in Graphic Arts, Barton Bloom, 12, displays the new fashion in headgear.



ABOVE: Jeff Reimer, Kirsten Levin, Carla Webb, and Heidi Howard assist Steve Flekier in presenting his report over the book "Coma."

LEFT: Good friends Mike Eaton, 11, Amy Samburg, 11, and Cindy Connet, 11, get together in Design.

The horizon is the meeting of beginning and end. The two combine with no definite division. All lives are full of beginnings and endings, but there is no possible way to tell one from another. For the Seniors this is the end of high school but the beginning of a new life. For the Underclassmen one year has ended but new ones are about to begin. The finding of the line between beginning and end is not as important as the experience of each NEW HORIZON that comes the way of each and everyone of us.

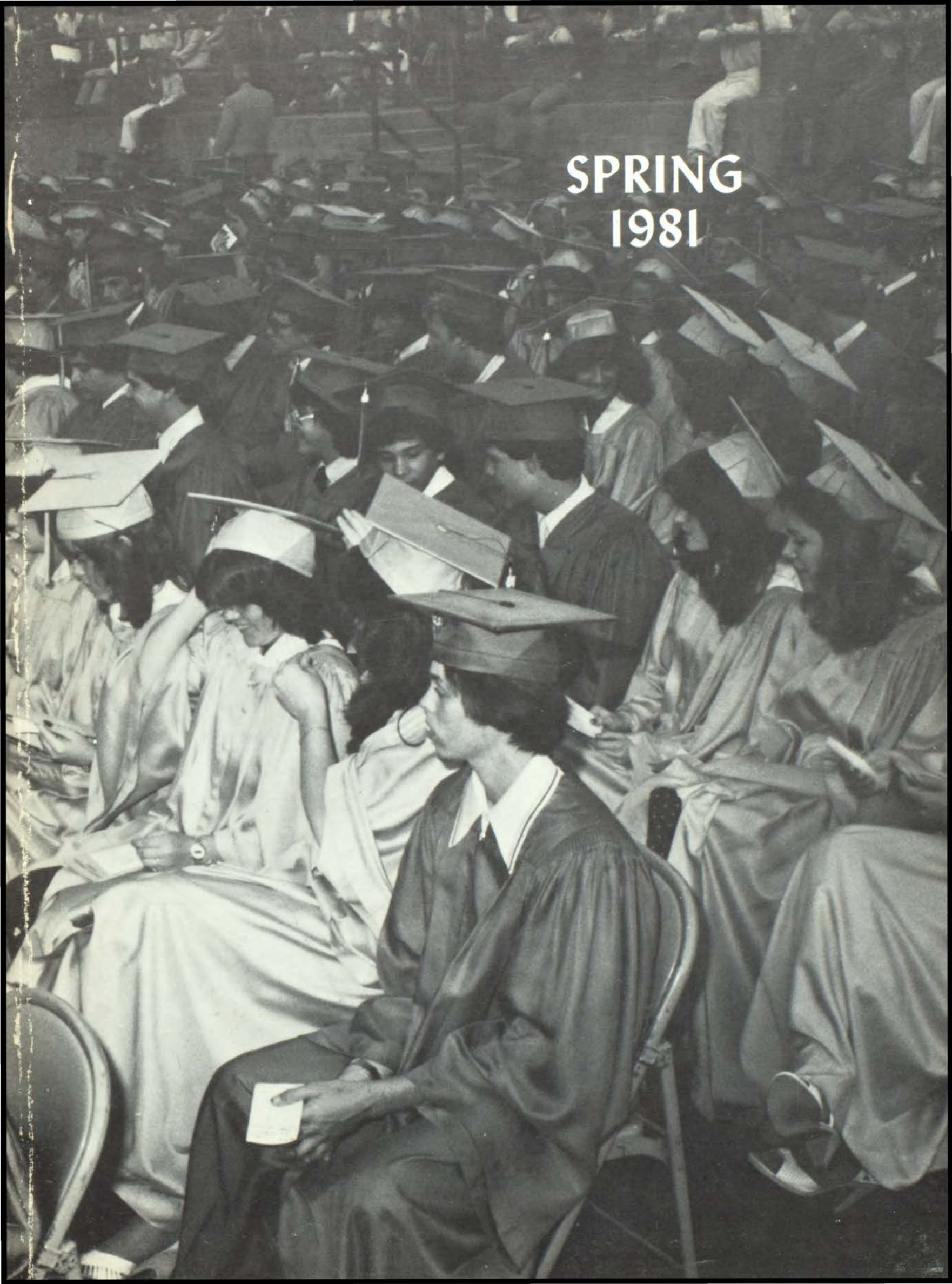


ABOVE: Mrs. Wommack and Kathy Willard, 11, talk about the Model Senate held at Park College.

LEFT: Upon losing a bet, Andy VanSlyke, 11, must present Mr. Bradshaw with a coke on his knees.



SPRING
1981



RIGHT: With the coming of spring, came the last Community Resources Club Competition and the naming of French Club as Club of the Year.

BELOW: Relaxing after an exhausting track meet, Sue Franke, 12, basks in the spring sunshine.

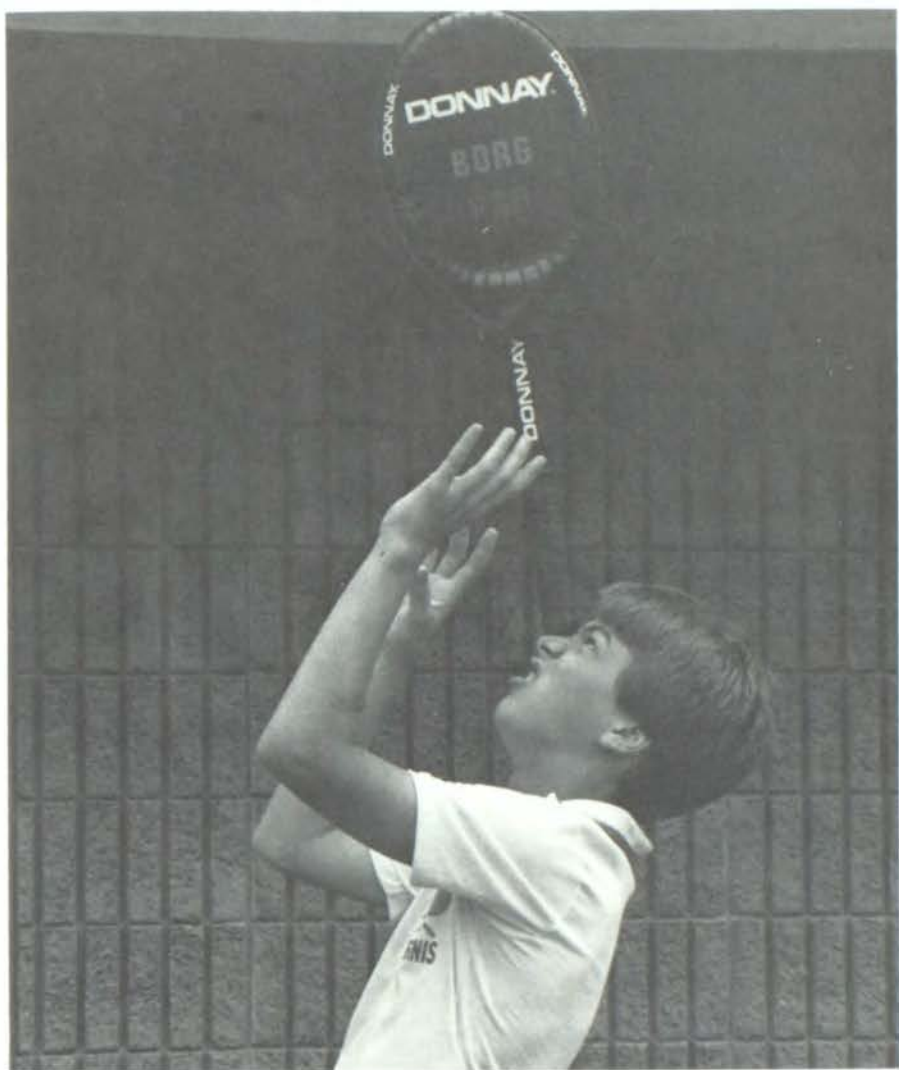


Fever brings about craziness

Daily temperatures began rising, tiny colored flowers peeped through the newly green grass, and birds again chirped greetings to one another. It seemed unbelievable that such simple events brought about the first symptoms of the dreaded Spring Fever which began afflicting students in late March and early April. Symptoms included a constant state of restlessness, the urgent need to be outside, and the inability to concentrate on homework. "When Spring Fever begins to take hold, everyone forgets about their studies and thinks only about being outdoors," explained Theresa Johnston, 12. The Fever caused students to spend their spare time with friends acting impulsive and rowdy. "Spring Fever causes the quietest people to do crazy and nutty things," commented Penny Bridges, 12.



BELOW: Displaying typical, crazy spring behavior, Brian Rex, 10, practices balancing his racquet instead of tennis.



LEFT: Obviously afflicted by Spring Fever, Karen Ferguson, 12, Marsha Ginson, 10, and Lorie Sisk, 11, clown around.

ABOVE: Taking a break in Publications II, Tom Shaffer, 12, naps after lunch.

MARCH

- 2— Terror builds in Atlanta, as the slaying of black children climbs higher
- 4— Center vs. Rockhurst in regional basketball
- 6-7— NFL Debate, Warrensburg
- 11— Talent Show
 - Girls' State Basketball
- 12— Key Club Pancake Day
- 16-17— Styx Concert
- 17— Carol Burnett goes to court for \$10 million libel suit against the **National Enquirer**
- 18— Winter Sports Banquet
- 20— 87th Street Gang Folk Festival
- 26-28— Youth in Government
- 27-28— District Music Contest
- 30— President Reagan shot

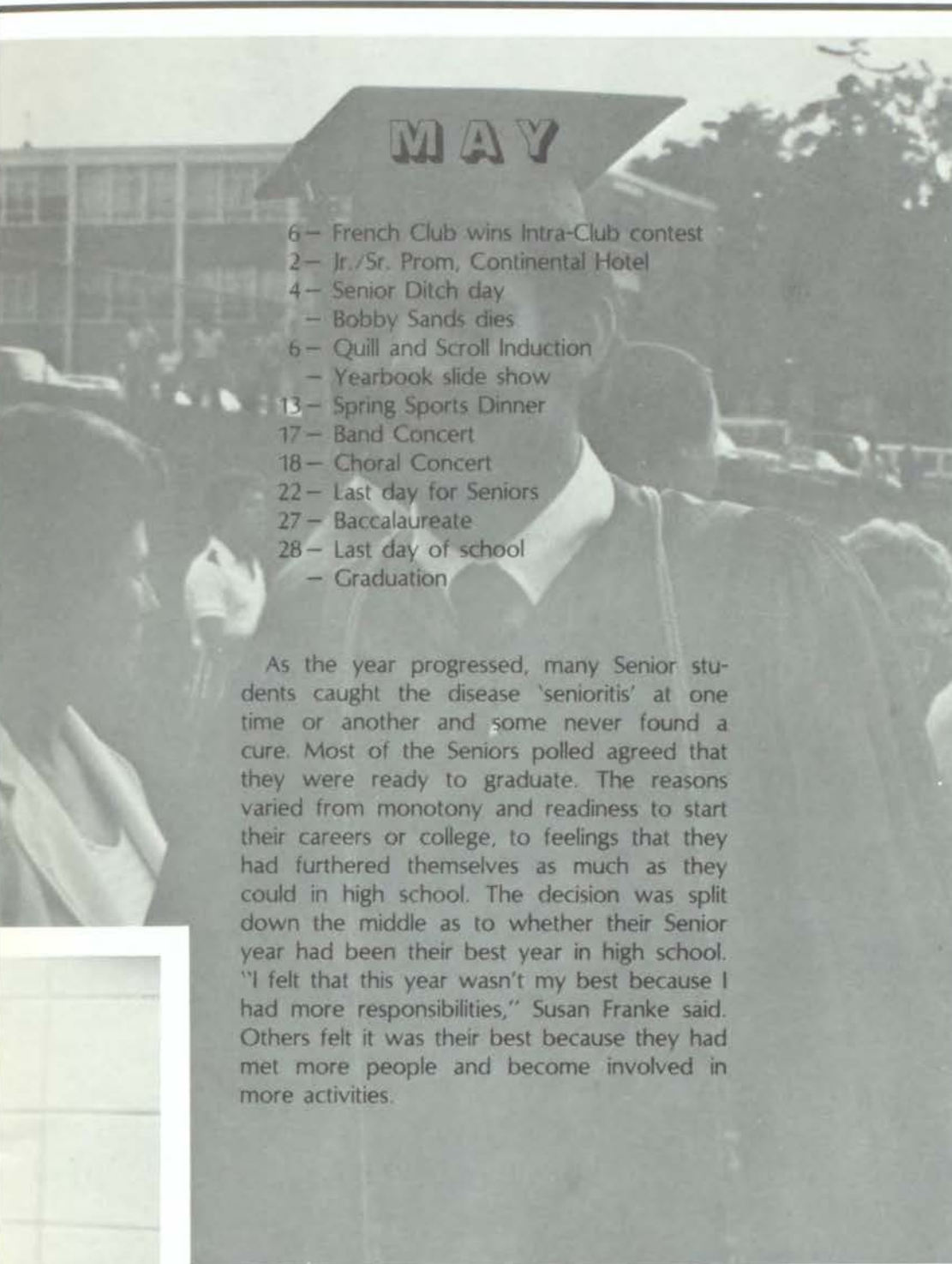
Instead of 'coming in like a lion' the month of March crept in, not calling much attention to itself. The weather was unusually warm with 13 days above 60° and the rainfall 1.12 inches below normal.

APRIL

- 3— Hawaiian Luau Dance
- 11— State Debate
- 23-24— Rush Concert
 - Model U.N.
- 24— State Music Contest
 - Foreign Language Day
- 29-30— "Pied Piper" (Children's Play)

Space Shuttle Columbia, which was delayed two days, took off April 12. Astronauts John Young and Robert Crippen returned to earth on April 14. "With the space shuttle, when we get it operational, we'll be able to do in five to ten years what it would take us 20 to 30 years to do otherwise with science and technology development," astronaut John Young said. The last big science project, the Apollo moon-landing program, contributed an enormous range of new technology, from satellite communications to frying pan coatings, that has enriched uncounted lives.





MAY

- 6— French Club wins Intra-Club contest
- 2— Jr./Sr. Prom, Continental Hotel
- 4— Senior Ditch day
 - Bobby Sands dies
- 6— Quill and Scroll Induction
 - Yearbook slide show
- 13— Spring Sports Dinner
- 17— Band Concert
- 18— Choral Concert
- 22— Last day for Seniors
- 27— Baccalaureate
- 28— Last day of school
 - Graduation

As the year progressed, many Senior students caught the disease 'senioritis' at one time or another and some never found a cure. Most of the Seniors polled agreed that they were ready to graduate. The reasons varied from monotony and readiness to start their careers or college, to feelings that they had furthered themselves as much as they could in high school. The decision was split down the middle as to whether their Senior year had been their best year in high school. "I felt that this year wasn't my best because I had more responsibilities," Susan Franke said. Others felt it was their best because they had met more people and become involved in more activities.



Students' hard work pays off

Throughout the year, students spent endless hours preparing projects and striving for improvement in various classes and organizations. As the year began coming to a close, end-of-the-year banquets and state contests approached. Students received numerous honors for their hard work and dedication to classes and clubs. Awards included \$100 to National Scholastic Art Award winners, trophies to State Foreign Language Contests winners, gold keys to Regional Scholastic Art Award winners, and various blue ribbons and certificates of recognition. Students receiving such awards felt various emotions including excitement, pride, and pleasure in finding their work so worthwhile. "I was glad that all the work I put into making my necklace paid off by having it go to Regionals; I couldn't believe it when they said it was going to Nationals," remarked Regional Art winner, Scott Marr, 12.



FIRST PLACE GRAPHICS AWARDS—Barton Bloom and Gary Miller.



SCHOLASTIC ART AWARD WINNERS

NATIONAL LEVEL

Acrylics	
Gold Medal	Brent Clemons
Honorable Mention	Rick Rea
Jewelry	
Honorable Mention	Jeff Lawrence

REGIONAL BLUE RIBBON FINALISTS

Pencil Drawing	Kent Brisley
Ink Drawing	Jeff Burrow
Textile Design	Kathy Brown
Jewelry	Karla Glannon, Donna Hettinger, Scott Marr, Da- vid Reed
Three Dimensional Design	Shannon Maher

1 RATING - STATE MUSIC AWARDS

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

Flute Quartet	Beth Bailey, Julia Butler, Ju- lie Conway, Claudia White
Saxophone Solo	Jeff Saper
Saxophone Trio	Dianne Christy, Jeff Saper, Rick Thomas
Percussion Solos	Lynn Houston, Phil Hines, John McGuire
Clarinet Solo	Debbie Messina
Woodwind Trio	Cecelia DiRaimo, Claudia White, Debbie Messina

VOCAL MUSIC

Vocal Solos	Eli Heng; Lea Lavish; War- ren Anderson; Gregg Pe- ters
Girls Double Quartet	Claudia Hayslett, Eli Heng, Chris Kartsonis, Kelley Ted- lock, Lori Slyter, Elaina Holmberg, Kym Beggs, Julia Butler

STATE JOURNALISM AWARDS

Graphics	
Second Place	Tom Shaffer and Gary Miller
Club Copy	
Second Place	Suzy Ducate
Faculty Copy	
Second Place	Tina Appleby
Student Life Copy	
Honorable Mention	Rick Thomas
Mood Copy	
Honorable Mention	Suzy Ducate
Feature Photo	
Third Place	Sara Westgate

STATE DECA AWARDS

Apparel and Accessories	
Second Place, Supervisory	Sherri Winer
General Merchandising	
Second Place, Master	
Employee	Joel Fleschman
Second Place, Supervisory	Mary Bundy
Food Marketing	
Third Place, Master	
Employee	Joe Wright

STATE VICA AWARDS

Dental Assistant	
Second Place	Kathy Grego
Dental Lab	
First Place	Melanie Schmedding

FIRST PLACE INDUSTRIAL
ARTS AWARD - Myron Ashley
GRAND PRIZE - Mike Benanti

STATE FOREIGN LANGUAGE FIRST PLACE WINNERS

Poetry, Level I	Jacqueline White, Spanish
Poetry, Level II	Joe Blando, Spanish
Poetry, Level III	Michele Gallas, French
Extemporaneous	Jeanie Ducate, Spanish
Reading Level II	Todd Koelling, German
Reading Level III	Gina Eubanks, Spanish
Extemporaneous	Raquel Avila, Spanish
Reading Level III	Lana Malsby, French
Skit	Tina Albright, Andrea Barthol, Jeanine Coutts, Lynne Dempsey, Steve Flekier, Mike Franano, Julia Koncak, Cathi O'Keefe, Robyn Rea - Spanish
Musical Presentation	Lorie Leahy and Carrie Winterowd, Spanish
Art	Kirk Roberts, Spanish
	Wayne Janzen, German
	Raquel Avila, Spanish

TRACK

Larger team, new coaches prove advantageous

TRACK

The track team proved successful this season. First, with the addition of the Freshmen the team was unusually large and second, the addition of two new coaches brought about positive changes. The large turnout gave depth to the team. As Roger Heard, 12, stated, "We have 38 members this year; we're deep in all areas." And Scott Kessler, 12, commented, "Depth is our strongest point; we all have similar abilities so it balances out well." This partially explained how the team went undefeated in all of their dual and quad meets. Both of the new coaches, Coach Groff and Coach Rabuse, made a few key changes that proved advantageous. "Coach Groff made computer print out sheets of all the runner's times

during meets and practices," stated Mark Eimer, 12, "and he doesn't coach hard the whole way through; when it's close to meet time he lets up a little." Coach Rabuse ran with his distance people during practices; many boys felt this helped to boost morale. Mike Jones, 11, said, "They're both really good coaches; in college they were both really good coaches; they know what they're doing."

The combination of a large team and two new enthusiastic coaches produced a successful track team. When asked about the team's potential, Mike Jones, 11, commented, "Well, I think we should at least take one of the top three places in conference; we have a young team . . . we'll be back."



TRACK SQUAD AND OFFICIALS—Front Row: Coach Arnall, Melinda Baughman, Mark Eimer, Jack Lambert, Rick King, Charles Christy, Mark Winner, Dan Searls, Chris Cooley; Second Row: Julie Alport, Scott Kessler, Kevin Montgomery, Leo Revoal, Mike Martin, Roger Heard, Scott

Abel, Mark Hatfield, Barry Gruver; Third Row: Mike Burec, John Kieffer, Brian Eubanks, Andy Rynard, Joey Gingrich, Steve Miles, Chris Fiorella; Back Row: Coach Groff, John Brown, Tom Shaffer, Mike Jones, Terry Ward, David Asjes, Todd Koelling.

RIGHT: Anticipating his jump, Mike Martin, 12, strains to build up his speed on the runway.





LEFT: Coach Rabuse and track official, Dana Bardwell, 11, check a sprinter's time during practice.

BELOW: Pole vaulter, Rick King, 11, prepares to replace the pole vaulting bar.



	MEET	PLACE	
DUAL	Center	1	1
	North Kansas City		
TRI	Center	1	1
	Liberty		
	Van Horn		
BLUE SPRINGS RELAY		9	
QUAD	Center	1	2
	Rockhurst		
	Fort Osage		
	Southeast		
RUSKIN SOPHOMORE RELAYS		3	
GRANDVIEW RELAYS		6	
QUAD	Center	1	2
	Excelsior Springs		
	O'Hara		
	Raymore Peculiar		
ROCKHURST RELAYS		6	
SHAWNEE MISSION WEST			
SOPHOMORE RELAYS		2	
LEE'S SUMMIT RELAYS		9	
DUAL	Center	1	1
	Belton		
CONFERENCE	Center	3	2
	Liberty		
	Excelsior Springs		
	Fort Osage		
	North Kansas City		
	Belton		
DISTRICT		7	

LEFT: Concentrating on perfect form, Brian Eubanks, 12, hurdles during an early practice.

TRACK

Team progresses with new coach, few participants

TRACK

Straining with what seemed to be every fiber of their bodies, the girls pushed themselves towards the tape only yards away. They heard nothing but the rhythmic sound of the cleats eating the cinder track and their own gasps for air, although the stadium roared with sound. When they reached the point at which they felt they couldn't go on; when their bodies felt as if they would literally explode; the apparent breaking point, they found that extra surge to cross the finish line just ahead of the next girl.

Why would anyone subject themselves to what apparently is very mentally and physically straining? "Because I enjoy running," answered freshman trackster Becky Bauer. "I like to run track to compete and to meet a lot of people," replied Carrie Winterowd, 11.

The girls' track team, described as "tough but tiny," had to work, with an addition to its coaching staff, Dave Purviance. "He's very patient; putting up with not much to work with. He

understood our injuries and maybe he could've worked us harder. Some chose not to work so they weren't pushed," reflected Becky. Another major factor affecting the team was its number of squad members. "The number of people has gone down since last year. The main thing I'd like is to have more girls come out," stated Carrie.

Despite the shortcomings, this young team had good things going for it, especially in the eyes of the girls. As far as coach-player attitudes, the majority of the girls felt Coaches Debbie Artman and Dave Purviance really knew what they were talking about. "Although Coach Artman wasn't with us much, due to her baby; she helped us and gave us encouragement," confided Carrie.

Why run? "I guess working has to do with the person, their attitude," reflected Becky. What about the future? Pausing, as a smile spread across her face, Varsity runner Linda O'Renick, 9, said simply, "I can't wait 'till next year."



ABOVE: Linda Mitchell, 10, and Randi Rittman, 12, accelerate from the start.

CHS OPPONENT

53	60½	North Kansas City
	58½	Southeast
52	84	Liberty
67	70	Fort Osage
80	50	Raymore-Peculiar
	43	O'Hara
82	76	Fort Osage
	56	Excelsior Springs
	43	Belton

Bulldog Invitational

Blue Springs Relays

Fort Osage Relays

Conference

District

14th

5th

5th

5th



LEFT: Following through, Kris Hase, 11, releases the discus.

BELOW: Showing good form, Linda O'Renck, 9, hurdles.



GIRL'S TRACK TEAM—Front Row: Pam Baker, Randi Rittman, Tammy Carter, Carrie Conard, Kelley Tedlock, Jackie Huskisson, Lisa Mitchell, Kim Ray, Carren Miller, Middle Row: Carrie Winterowd, Julie Conway, Becky Bauer, Cheri Baker, Micki Watson,

Kris Hase, Linda Mitchell, Jennifer Roudebush; Back Row: Coach Dave Purviance, Sarah Bunch, Rhonda Maas, Missy Hanover, Shana Cunneen, Della Heidbrink, Stephanie Simpson, Linda O'Renck, Theresa Johnston.



ABOVE: Coach Meg Seifert and Jennifer Roudebush, 9, look over the team workout.

LEFT: After a race, the girls fight to catch their breath and regain their strength.

TRACK

Freshmen dedicated despite fierce competition

TRACK

"Under the circumstances of not having an actual team, the freshmen have been enthusiastic, dedicated, and willing as members of track," stated Coach Tom Coyle.

Due to the lack of members, Center freshmen did not compete with freshmen from other schools. Instead, they ran on Varsity and Junior Varsity teams.

Speaking about the freshmen boys, Coach Cal Groff added, "I think many felt they were cheated, never being the oldest at the Junior High, and now back at the bottom of the ladder. That may have made many lose interest, but the ones who've stayed out have done well."

Not all of the freshmen were dis-

satisfied with inter-grade play.

"Knowing I'll be going against upper classmen has helped me to get ready for competition," remarked Paul Butler.

While most freshmen boys ran J.V., the freshmen girls went against Varsity opponents.

"We had a smaller team to begin with," commented Girls' Coach Meg Seifert, "The freshmen make up about half of our team, so they've gotten to run a lot, and have scored a lot of points."

"Hopefully some of the freshmen who tried other activities this year will return to the program as Sophomores," added Coach Groff.



J.V. TRACK SQUAD—Front Row: Coach Forrest Arnall, Jim Kinsinger, Steve Mosby, Tim Kneib, Terry Williams, David Barnes, Paul Licausi, Mike McTernan, Phil Scaglia, Mike Schultz; Second Row: Matt Wilhelm, Mike Burec, Eric Bumgardner, Kurt Loudon, David Stroud, Kevin Donahue, Randy Soltz, Jim Hamrick, Scott Brown, Brent Winner, Dave Smith; Third Row: Paul But-

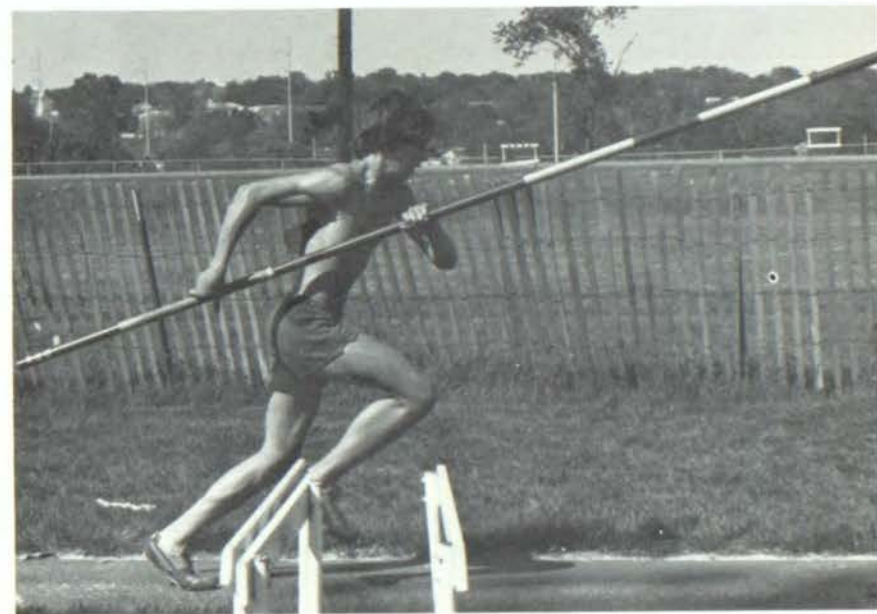
ler, Lonnie Carter, Andy Gruver, John Stone, Randy Collins, Mike Whisler, Walt Thompson, Randy Ashford, Coach Groff; Back Row: Scott Foley, Phil Mason, Scott Ponick, Frank Hale, Pat Benanti, Coach Mark Rabuse, Todd Wilcher, Tom Tavernaro, John Lambert, Kevin Chronister, Louis Cohn, Mike Lothamer.

RIGHT: Practicing for her two mile run event, Carrie Conard springs into the finish.

RIGHT: Checking his form, Eric Bumgardner easily clears the final hurdle in the stretch.

BELOW: Micki Watson strives for distance after takeoff in the triple jump.





ABOVE: Running through in order to set his timing and takeoff, Paul Butler prepares for the pole vault event.

TOP: After several warmup laps, Becky Bauer slows to a walk as she reaches the final turn.

LEFT: Shot putter Della Heidbrink winds up for a throw during practice.

TENNIS

Prosperous season finishes with District title

Steam rose from the tennis court, not as a result of the unseasonably warm weather this spring, but because of the friendly rivalries between varsity tennis team members. Varsity line-up changed with Scott Alexander, 12, replacing David Chamberlain, 12, in the number one spot, moving David back to number two.

Filling out the rest of the roster of seniors were Gary Miller and Daryl Penner. Joe Dee Beach and Brian Sinclair, also seniors, made up the number two doubles team which provided the team with a strong helping hand on several occasions. "In the match against Truman, we were down by one game; we needed the win from Sinclair and Beach to win. They won it in two sets with the final set score, 7-6," commented Coach Tom Grow. The team finished out the season with a district win for the first time in Center history. "We will have a good, strong team next year despite the absence of Alexander and Chamberlain," added Coach Grow.

Confidence grew within the junior

varsity team; they finished the season with above average scores overall. Coach Tom Grow was pleased with the progress the J.V. team made. "We could have won a few more games if I would have played the same people all the time, but I wanted to make sure everyone got to play for the experience," he remarked.

Newcomers to this year's team included Jeff Saper, 9, "I would have tried out for the tennis team even if the freshmen weren't moved up to the high school this year, but it sure makes it easier being up here where Coach and the rest of the team members are."

Members of the team all expressed high regards for Coach Tom Grow. "We wouldn't have had such a good season if it wasn't for Coach." "I'm looking forward to playing on the team again next year." Coach Grow said, "I'm looking forward to an equally successful season next year and I hope the enthusiasm and team spirit will be as great next year."



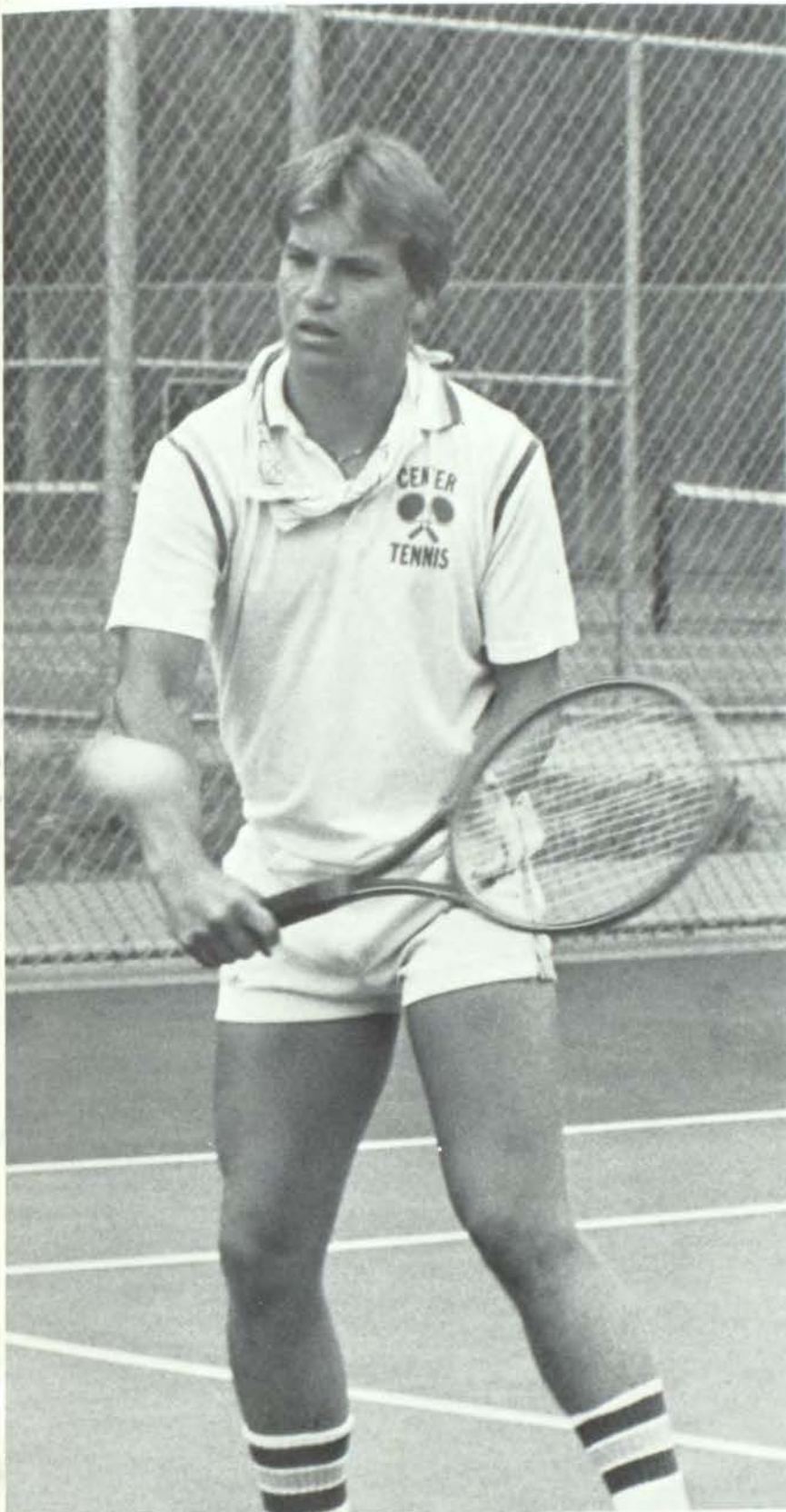
Varsity 15-1		J.V. 8-8		
CHS	Opp.	CHS	Opp.	
5	0	4	1	Hickman Mills
4	1	1	4	Lee's Summit
3	2	0	5	Rockhurst
4	1	4	1	Liberty
5	0	2	3	Ex. Springs
4	5	5	0	Pem Day
3	2	2	3	North K.C.
5	0	4	1	Fort Osage
4	1	2	3	Grandview
5	0	5	0	Belton
5	0	5	0	Liberty
5	0	2	3	Ex. Springs
5	0	2	3	North K.C.
3	2	2	3	Truman
4	1	5	0	Fort Osage
3	2	4	1	Belton
2nd		2nd		Conference
1st				District
4th				State



ABOVE: Finishing off his opponent, Sherm Williams, 11, returns with a strong forehand shot.

LEFT: Perfecting his forehand form, David Chamberlain, 12, works on his topspin.

BELOW: During warmup, Scott Alexander, 12, works on his backhand strategy for the upcoming match.



TENNIS SQUAD—Front Row: Gary Miller, Sherman Williams, Brian Sinclair, David Chamberlain, Scott Alexander, Joe Dee Beach, Tom Cox, Daryl Penner; Second Row: Tony Hallaba, Chris Michelson, Mike Middleton, Ron Barker, Mike Sherry, Dave Pierret, Brian Rex, Jeff Davis, John Snider; Third Row: Coach Tom Grow, Lily Kanter, Kathy Hall, Richard Jacobson, Jeff Johnson, Jeff Saper, Bob Bloom, Leslie Adkins, Ann Graham.



ABOVE: Concentrating on a fellow teammates match, Coach Grow and Sherm Williams, 11, watch closely.

SWIMMING

Strength comes to team through ability, depth

SWIMMING

Like many organizations, the Girls' Swim Team experienced the addition of several Freshmen to the varsity squad. But they weren't the only rookies; the girls also took on the task of breaking in a new coach.

Freshmen have been allowed to compete on the swim team in past years; however, more were able to participate this year since they joined the ranks of the upperclassmen. Early in the season about 35 girls showed up for daily practices. The number gradually dropped to 19, though, with over half of these being Freshmen. Jackie Smart, 9, pointed out, "If all of us didn't go out, we wouldn't have had a team." Coach Val Matulis

found, with the younger girls, the team had greater depth and more lanes could be filled. Inexperience appeared to be the major problem during the start of the season. As time passed, the new girls began to feel at ease and improved. "By the time these girls are Juniors and Seniors, they should have plenty of experience, so the team should have a great record," explained Jana Teefey, 11.

With several Freshmen and a rookie coach, getting started was difficult, but as Suzi Meyer, 9, stated, "The spirit and enthusiasm of all involved helped us overcome the disadvantages of a new team."



ABOVE: Jennifer Davis, 10, and Holly Irwin, 9, discuss the meet in progress.

RIGHT: Lisa Riddell, 11, Jennifer Brown, 9, and Amy Eaton, 11, rest after competition.



LEFT: Pushing herself in the 200 free, Jennifer Brown, 9, concentrates.

GIRLS' SWIM SQUAD—Front Row: Annette Davis, Terri Sloan, Diane Donaldson, Jennifer Davis, Jackie Smart, Amy Eaton, Jolie Ogg; Second Row: Kelly Trefz, Lee Ann Totty, Kelly Tarpley, Erin Laney, Marissa Ogg, Suzanne Meyer, Mary Flack, Jackie Morton; Back Row:

Cheryl Snapp, Sandi Meyer, Jana Teefey, Kim Accurso, Coach Valerie Matulis, Holly Irwin, Karen Levine, Traci Masters, Debra Kerr; Not Pictured: Lisa Riddell, Lilli Peck, Jennifer Brown, Karla Glannon.



CHS	OPPONENT
74	98 Southwest
109	51 William Chrisman
76	95 Liberty
101	71 Sedalia
76	95 Blue Springs
90	82 Raytown
91	81 Truman
83	88 Olathe
37	46 Columbia-Hickman
Won	Rock Bridge (forfeit)
108	58 Blue Valley
43	31 Washington
76	97 Park Hill
96	75 St. Joseph

LEFT: Shooting into the water, Jolie Ogg, 11, anticipates good form and endurance.

GOLF

J.V. wins conference, individual players excel

"We've put in a great deal of effort this year, but the team had had some bad breaks, so our record doesn't indicate our capabilities," stated Dean Denis, 12.

This year's Varsity Golf team finished with a disappointing 2-8 record.

"We've had some problems with injuries," explained Coach Max Hayes, "and we've lost some people." Several players played exceptionally well, however. Jeff West, Natalie Reed, and Tom Allred competed in the District Golf Tournament. Bob Kinton and Matt Kauffman also contributed a great deal and Dean Denis had the best average overall.

Natalie Reed, 10, for the second year in a row, was the only female member of the team.

"I shoot from the same distances as the boys," stated Natalie, "so I think it's a little more competitive for me."

The season ended on a pleasant note, as the Varsity team took second out of six schools participating in the Conference Tournament. The Junior Varsity team won the tournament, and won Conference overall, while Varsity finished fifth.

"Judging from this year's underclassmen, next year's team will have a good base to build from," concluded Coach Hayes.



GOLF SQUAD—Front Row: Coach Max Hayes, Natalie Reed, Jeff West, Dean Denis, Shannon Maher, Joe Blando, Greg Welsh, Joe Jackson, Tom Allred; Back Row: Danny Garcia, Ray Klein,

John Chapman, Matt Kauffman, Bob Kinton, Craig Kubayko, Pete Raske, Todd Young, Tom Kneib, Wally Langley.

FAR RIGHT: Taking a practice stroke, Shannon Maher, 12, lines up for a putt.

RIGHT: Bob Kinton, 11, and Matt Kauffman, 11, take time to clean their equipment between shots.





LEFT: Concentrating on the ball, Greg Welsh, 12, follows through on a drive.

BELOW: Todd Young, 10, waits while Pete Raske, 10, prepares to make his putt.



Warming up before practice, Natalie Reed, 10, and Shannon Maher, 12, swing through.



Varsity 2-8		J.V. 9-1		
CHS	Opp.	CHS	Opp.	
172	165	185	186	Rockhurst
179	180	179	183	Pem Day
176	171	195	194	Belton (C)
171	183	193	215	Liberty (C)
202	197	198	264	Fort Osage (C)
186	178	198	199	Excelsior Springs (C)
176	162	193	204	North Kansas City (C)
184	175	185	199	Belton (C)
10th pl.			None	Wm. Jewell Invitational
177	192	189	205	Liberty (C)
168	162	176	175	Blue Springs
185	179	177	205	Fort Osage (C)
182	156	183	192	Excelsior Springs (C)
175	173	184	195	North Kansas City (C)
6th pl.			None	District Tournament
179	183		None	Grandview
2nd pl.			1st pl.	Conference Tournament

(C) — Conference Match

SOFTBALL

Family attitude boosts spirit throughout losing season

"It's like we're a family; we're always cracking jokes and stuff," commented Janice Mackay, 11. Most of the girls worked well with each other and enjoyed playing together. This attitude wasn't easy to keep up through a losing season. Coach Artman stated, "There's a lot of spirit this year; I think the girls have confidence in themselves and each other."

A large turnout and mixture of ages increased the potential of the team.

Coach Artman said, "There are

more girls out than there ever have been." And Coach Griffall stated, "On varsity alone we'll have freshmen all the way to seniors." The possibilities for the team appeared positive. Terri Gragg, 10, commented, "I think if everyone works together and helps each other out we will have a really good season." Despite the poor record, Coach Artman expressed her positive attitude when she commented, "I think this is the best team I've had since I've been coaching."

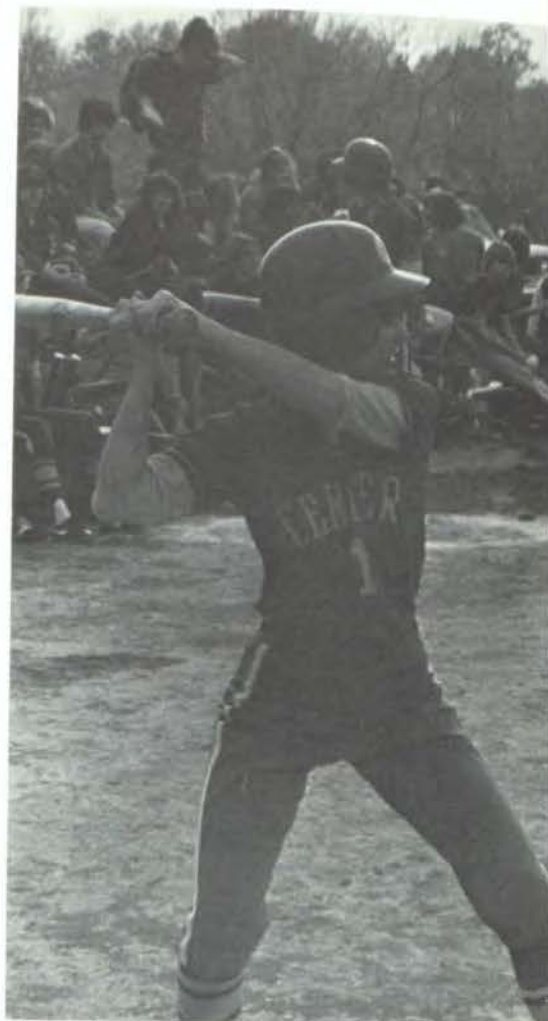


SOFTBALL SQUAD—Front Row: Leah Frazier, Kim Wardlow, Terri Gragg, Becky Rice, Jeannie Kee, Sherry Henderson, Chris Canino, Flora Sue Winitz, Susan Meiners; Second Row: Duana McFall, Janice Mackay, Susan Rector, Pam Frazier,

Teresa Schnell, Sheila Inman, Andi Czarlinsky, Mary Kincaid; Back Row: Karen Ferguson, Lorie Sisk, Marsha Ginson, Theresa Donahue, Diane Young, Cindy Connett, Diane Batliner, Cheryl Eimer, Angela Anderson, Tina Hurtado.



ABOVE: Taking the pitch, Susan Meiners, 11, hits a double to help even the score.





FAR LEFT: Concentrating on the pitch, Lorie Sisk, 11, prepares to hit a homer.

LEFT: Preparing Tina Hurtado, 12, for a double header, Coach Artman carefully wraps her ankle.



Varsity 2-15		J.V. 4-9		
CHS	Opp.	CHS	Opp.	
12	13	3	3	Fort Osage
8	9	1	6	Belton
3	4	20	0	Ruskin
8	11	5	3	Grandview
2	8			Turner
4	9			Turner
22	8	14	10	North Kansas City
5	17	10	13	Lee's Summit
2	4	5	11	Shawnee Mission South
2	7	2	6	Fort Osage
1	8	0	10	Shawnee Mission West
6	7	1	20	Belton
12	2	31	10	North Kansas City
0	5	5	6	Hickman
1	13			Turner
2	3			Turner
5	6	11	22	Blue Springs

LEFT: Making a double play, Jeannie Kee, 9, tags her opponent out at third base.

C HILDREN'S PLAY

Children prove tough crowd to please

To end a successful theater season, Center's drama department presented "Pied Piper" representing the only school financed production in the theater department this year. This backing allowed the cast to present a free show without worrying about making a budget. But, for the cast and crew, this type of show was unusually difficult.

"Children are the hardest audience to please because they're very blunt. If they don't like what you're doing they'll tell you, not only personally but by moving around and being restless," explained Betty Cook, 11. "If you lose their attention for a split second, then you have lost them completely," stated Mr. Landes. "The trick is to hold on to their attention with action and energy," he concluded.

This was one problem that the actors and stage crew had to contend with: "The heat was terrible and especially in the costumes; it drained the energy right out of you," pointed out Kip Weiner, 11. Not only was heat a problem but coordination of the technical aspects also had its trying moments. "The actors kept fouling the cords that moved the rats, and the flash pot didn't always explode," explained Kevin Brooks, 11. Even though a few problems plagued the show, Betty Cook concluded, "We entertained the children and that's the whole point behind the show."



ABOVE: Trying to find a hobby for Willi, Mrs. Fleischer (Claudia Hayslett) discusses the different possibilities with him.

RIGHT: Trapped by an impending embrace, Schmidt (Duane Ball) announces the couple's wedding plans.



The rehearsals started off slow, but after a lot of hard work the actors really came through – Jeanie Ducate, 11.



LEFT: The Pied Piper (David Tritt) introduces himself to Greta Shultz as disapproving adults look on.

BELOW: Disgusted by Riter's (Jerry Rapp) response, Councillor Schmidt (Duane Ball) and Mayor Shultz (Kip Weiner) discuss other plans to get rid of the rats.



ABOVE: Frightened, but interested, the town children intently listen to the Piper's music.

LEFT: Entranced by the Pied Piper's (David Tritt) music, some town children look on.

PROM

Dance proves worthy of expenses

Excitement, anxiety, and nervousness emerged as couples rushed about in careful preparation for their special evening. "I was so relieved when we finally got to the dance because I thought something would go wrong, especially at dinner," reflected Mark Swendrowski, 12.

As well as demanding careful preparation, the evening also required careful budgeting. Tuxedos, new gowns with matching shoes and purses, flowers, pictures, dinner, breakfast, gas, and limosines were among the many expenses of prom goers. The amount couples spent ranged from \$150 to over \$300.

Prom, held at the Hotel Continental, from 9:00 p.m. to midnight was well received. "The dance didn't even compare to any other high school dance because it was so much nicer and more romantic," explained Pam Frazier, 12. Allison Ramey, 11 responded, "It was much nicer than I thought it would be; the ballroom was really classy."

The music provided by "Superstition" added a pleasing touch to the dance. Debbie Viani, 12, commented, "I thought the band played really good music for dancing; even during the fast songs a lot of people danced and that made it neat."

Despite the hassle of preparation and the great expense, most students found prom to be well worth it. Dottie Allen, 12, commented, "I really had a good time and it was well worth the cost." Summing up her impression of the evening, Beth Carbah, 12, exclaimed, "It was the most memorable evening of my Senior year."

ABOVE RIGHT: As couples look on, Joel Fleschman, 12, demonstrates a new step.

RIGHT: Before entering the ballroom, Kym Beggs, 12, Kevin Chronister, 10, Leslie Katz, 12, and Jim Hamrick, 10, register and pick up programs.



"It was one event I'll remember for a lifetime." — John Brown, 11.



LEFT: Couples enjoy dancing to a slow tune.

BELOW: While waiting in line for pictures, couples discuss the evening.



LEFT: The variety of music provided by "Superstition" was well received.

AFTER PROM

King Louie provides nice atmosphere

After-Prom, held at King Louie West from 1:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m., polished off the evening nicely. At King Louie, after changing into casual clothing, couples were able to entertain themselves with iceskates, bowling balls, pool tables, and pinball machines. Commenting on the activities provided, Andy Callegari, 12, remarked, "I think the very best part was seeing all my friends struggling on iceskates." He added, "After such an expensive evening it was nice to be able to do all those things for free."

Most students agreed that King Louie provided an excellent atmosphere for After-Prom. Teresa Alkire, 11, commented, "It was nice because we had the whole place to ourselves—just for our school alone." "Just being around a lot of people I knew made it fun," commented John Brown, 11.

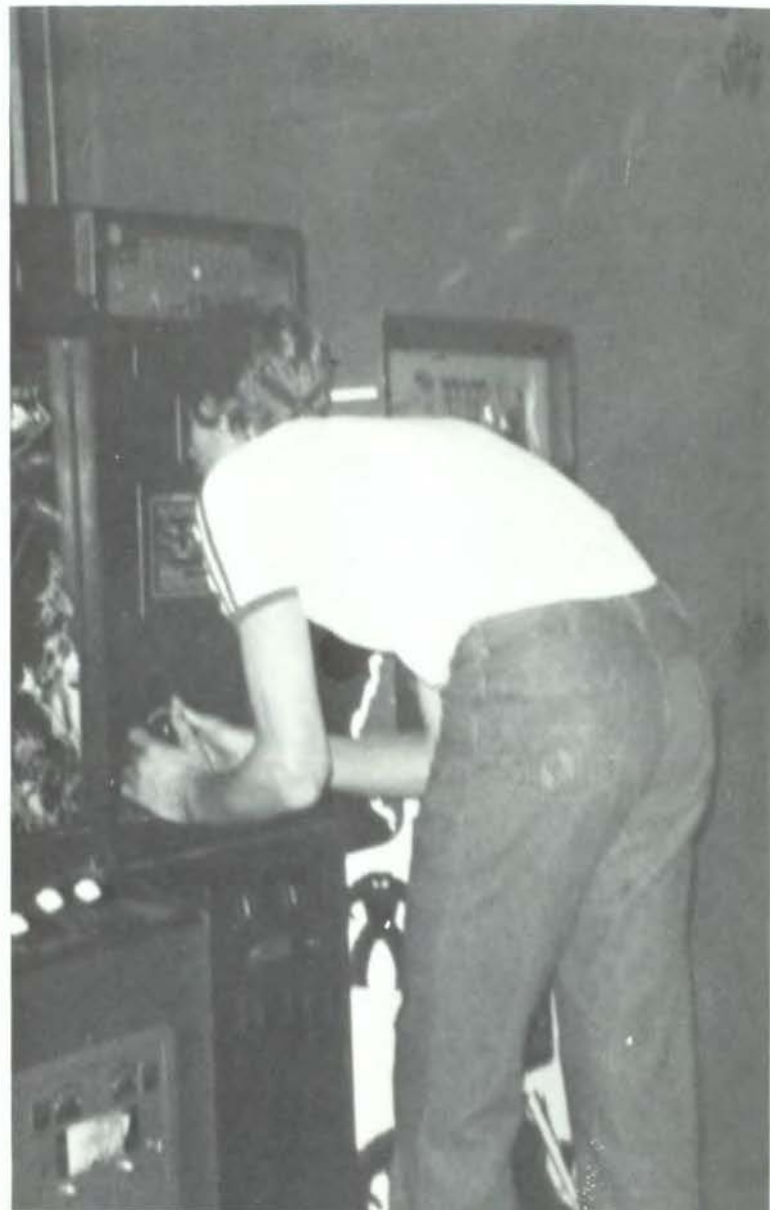
While some couples returned home directly following After-Prom, many others decided to extend their evening over into late the next day. Hotel parties, late breakfasts, and trips to the park kept some students out until up to 6:00 p.m. the next day. Melanie White, 12, reflected, "I was having so much fun I didn't want to go home."



ABOVE: Waiting to pick up their bowling shoes, Melanie White and her date talk quietly.

RIGHT: The late hours begin to affect Teresa Lehr and her date.

ABOVE RIGHT: Absorbed in a game of Battlezone, Jon Koncak, 12, strives for a high score.



"It looked like everybody was having a good time."—Lina Stewart, 12.



LEFT: Debbie Aaron, 12, and her date display fashionable After-Prom outfits.

BELOW: Waiting for their turn to bowl, Seniors Dean Denis and Shelly Hayes watch the others.



LEFT: Seniors Rosie Sharbel, Janet Adkins, Kristin Zinn and their dates prepare to hit the lanes.



BACCALAUREATE

Ceremony adds solemnity to Graduation

Baccalaureate sermon (bak-a-law're-at ser'mun)-a sermon or lecture delivered to the graduating class on Commencement Day. Webster's definition differed from Center's in more ways than one. Baccalaureate was not held on Commencement Day and it was not just a lecture.

Baccalaureate opened up with a processional march played by the Brass Ensemble made up of Senior Concert Band members. When the graduating Seniors were seated, a program consisting of music, prayer, scripture reading, and a speech began. The highlight of Denise Johnson's speech was the reading of the poem "Desiderata" by Max Ehrmann. Other presentations included the reading of the scriptures by Mike Mahoney, "Times of Your Life" sung by Claudia Hayslett, a medley of songs performed by the 87th Street Gang, and the Benediction given by Lori Slyter.

Students held differing opinions as to just what the purpose of Baccalaureate was. "I think the purpose is to make the graduating Seniors feel that graduation is a beginning instead of an ending," remarked Jeanie Ducate, 11. Dennis Bell, 12, commented, "It is supposed to be a religious ceremony, but it was not religious; God was only mentioned twice. It is supposed to give the graduates a sense of unity at the last stage of their high school career." "Its purpose is to show the students that God had a part in their education and to make Him a part of the ceremonies, concluded Julia Meyer, 12.



ABOVE RIGHT: Addressing the Class of '81, Denise Johnson speaks about the importance of leadership.

RIGHT: Mr. Don Shaffer directs the Brass Ensemble in "Trumpet Voluntary."

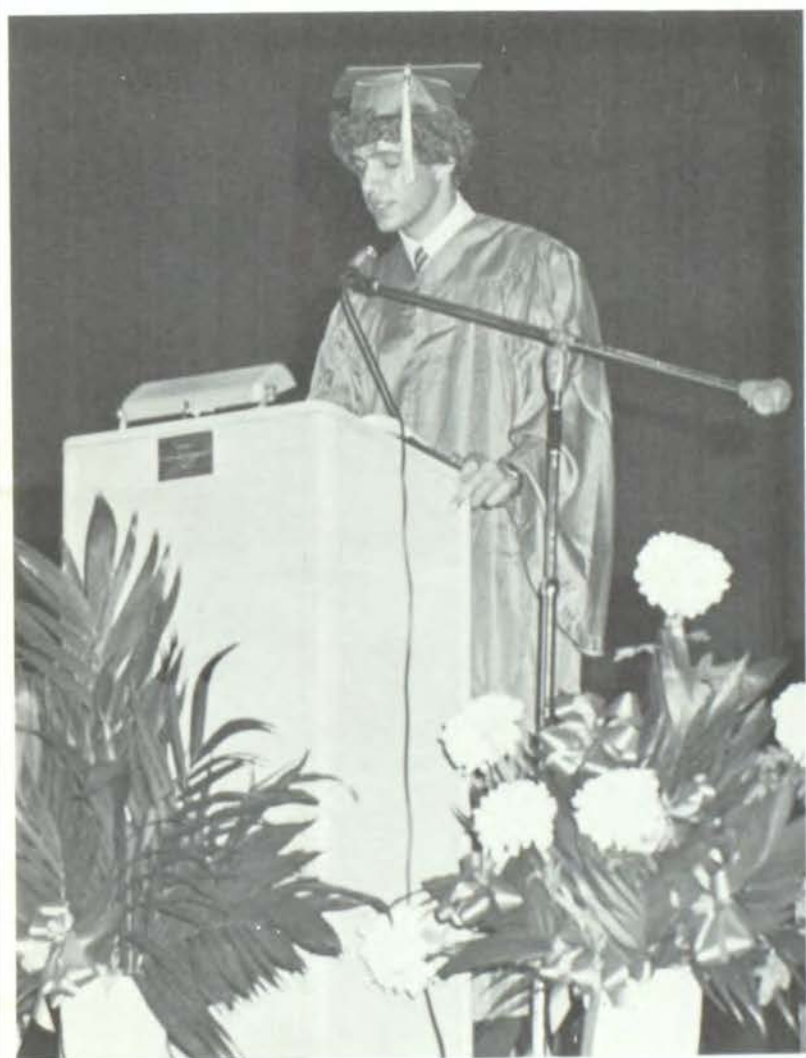


I thought the poems read by Denise summed up the year." – Daryl Penner, 12.



LEFT: Lori Slyter gives the Benediction at the end of the program.

BELOW: 87th Street Gang, a mixture of Seniors and underclassmen, entertains the audience.



LEFT: To help the graduates prepare for the future, Mike Mahoney reads from the scriptures.

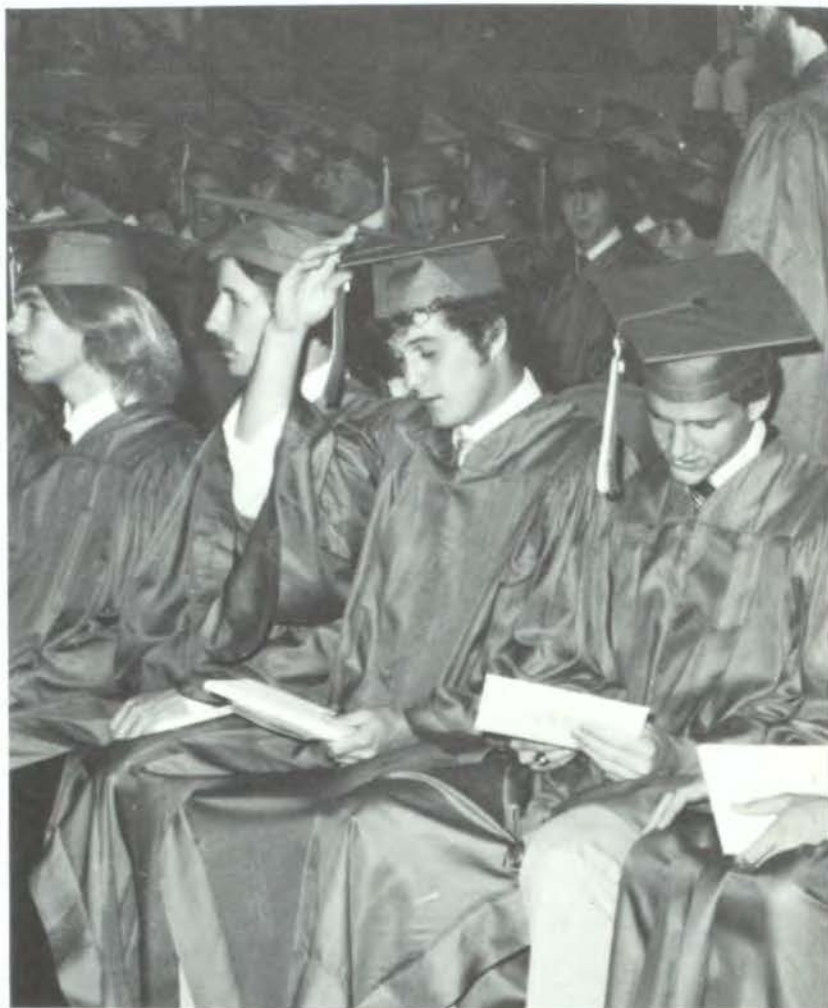
G RADUATION

Mixed emotions accompany changes

An unbroken line of flapping blue and gold flags wound its way around the road to the stadium. It stopped when it reached the double row of smiling faces. The line then broke into individual students who shook hands, hugged, and accepted the congratulations of their teachers. In a fitting beginning to graduation and an ending to their high school career, the graduates thanked their teachers one by one.

Having the students greet their teachers before the ceremonies began was just one of the changes made in graduation. Instead of having a top-ranked student speak, the student with the best speech was chosen to represent the senior class. Also, only one student spoke, which made the ceremony much shorter than in the past. "I think it should have been longer; it seemed rushed. They could have used another speech or two," remarked Daryl Penner, 12. Jeff Saper, 9, commented, "I would have liked to have seen the Valedictorian and Salutatorian speak." On the other hand, Mrs. Kinton, mother of Bob Kinton, 11, liked the length of the ceremony. "Because it was shorter it seemed more dignified," she said.

Although some suggestions were made for next year, like holding a reception after the ceremony, most of the participants and spectators thought it went well. "I liked the speech that Duane Ball gave because it gave the opinion of the student body," stated Sarah Bunch, 11. Teresa Schnell, 12, summed up, "I liked seeing my favorite teachers; it was a nice ending."



ABOVE: Members of the faculty congratulate each senior as they walk to their seats.

RIGHT: Mr. Slyter, Board member, congratulates David Chamberlain while giving him his diploma.



"I liked having the teachers participate." – Julia Meyer, 12.



LEFT: After receiving their diploma folders, several graduates look them over.



ABOVE: Dr. Swanson honors Denise Johnson, Mike Small, and Mark Zobel as the top one percent.



LEFT: While getting ready in the auditorium, Duane Ball takes time to sign a yearbook.

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