



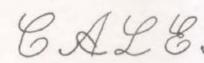
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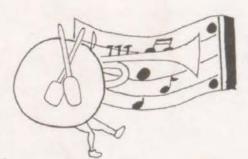




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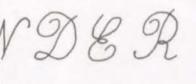


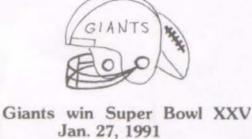
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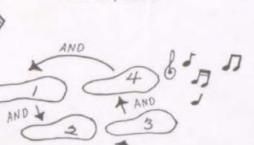
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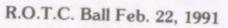


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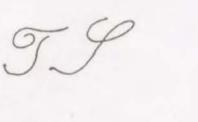
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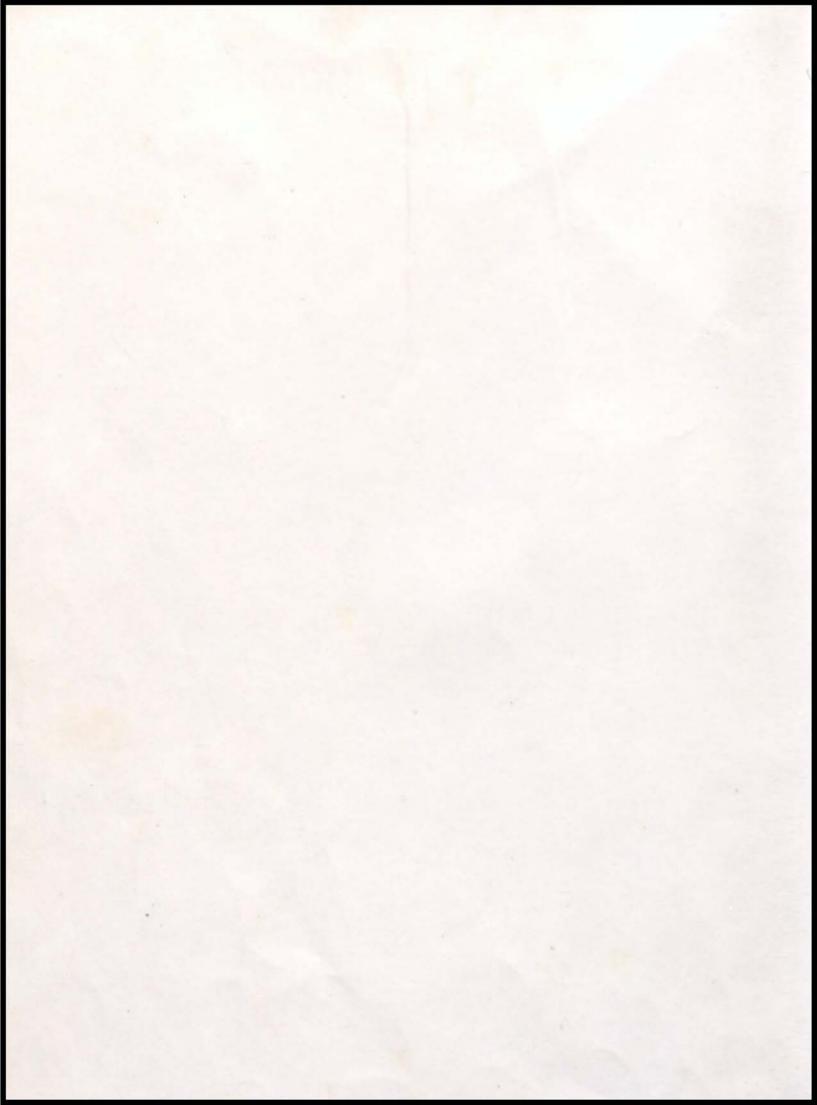
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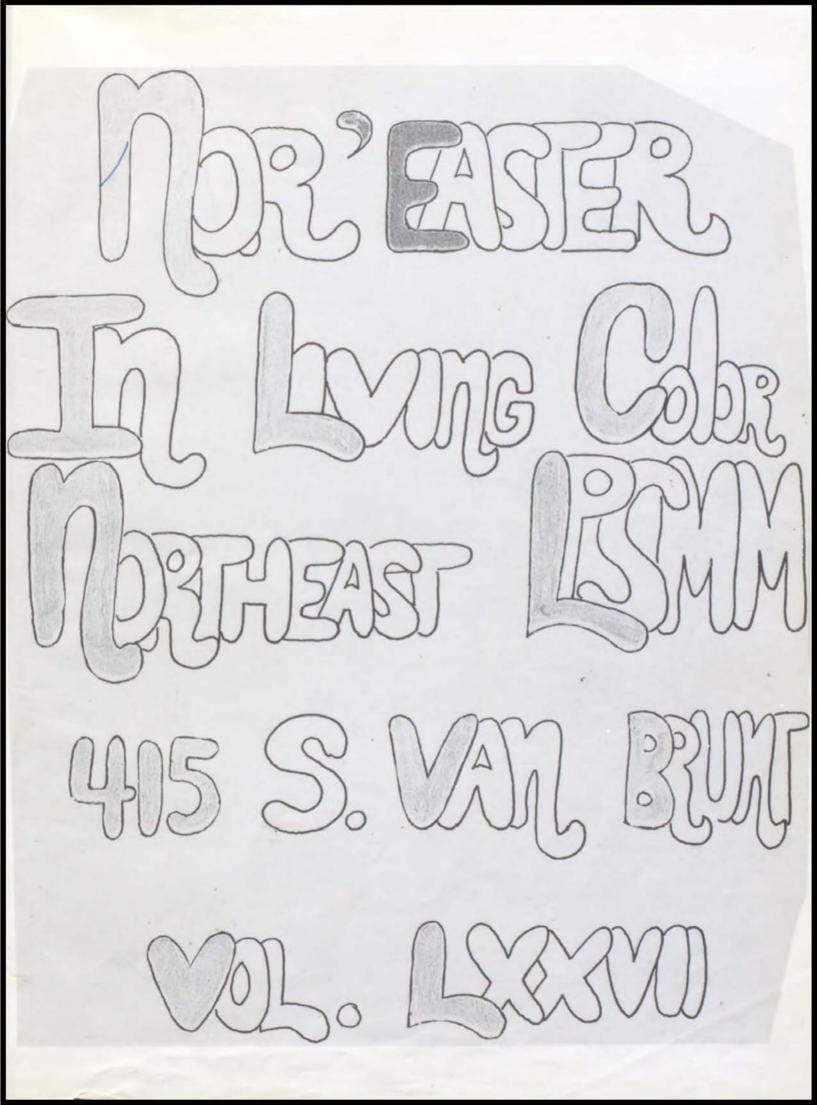
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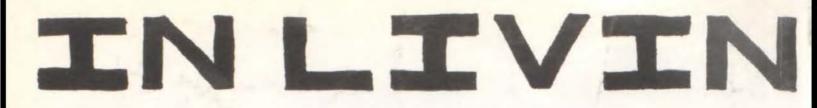


ELORIDA

NE Choir goes to Orlando, Florida Music Festival May 9-12,







I t took a long time trying to decide exactly how to introduce the 1991 edition of the Nor'Easter. This year's theme is IN LIVING COLOR. Although the concept is simple enough, it is hard to put into words.

"Peace, my brothers and sisters,

We, the Nor'Easter Staff, feel this yearbook is coming out at a time when it is very important to emphasize the significance of celebrating all the races coming together as one.

1991 held an historic moment that no one had suspected, the Gulf War. Every student in Northeast rallied together in support of the many troops, from every nation, who were fighting to protect our brothers and sisters in Kuwait. As you look through this book, you'll see how our different colors blend together to make a beautiful picture!

"I hope I remembered to wear underwear."



Northeast High School has a great advantage over other schools because of the various ethnic groups and cultures that are represented here. IN LIVING COLOR symbolizes these very special groups of people. This peace and multicultural unity has been going strong for many years in our school. Everyone is comfortable in the knowledge of who they are as a separate individual and that puts them at ease with all other groups. When people from different nationalities get together and share their thoughts and dreams, something special happens.

This past year was filled with many exciting surprises. The three major dances of the year were small but very enjoyable. When all the students came together to show their school spirit, all differences and problems were forgotten.



Many fundraisers were held this year by Northeast students. Money was raised and gifts were given to needy causes, such as the City Union Mission. Even the Viking Voice Newsletter donated their profits to this cause. The Nor-Easter even devoted a special section completely to the different nationalities represented at Northeast. The students shared their traditions as well as stories and recipes. The Nor'Easter is hoping to expand on this colorful theme.

Fair and equal treatment of all is especially important because of the Law/Public Service theme of our school. Programs such as SRT and Youth Court teach this lesson. S.A.D.D. and Natural Helpers also apply to all groups to show that drugs do not discriminate.

Northeast High School is a little community. All communities have their problems, but they must work them out together. At Northeast, we have proven that this can be done IN LIVING COLOR.

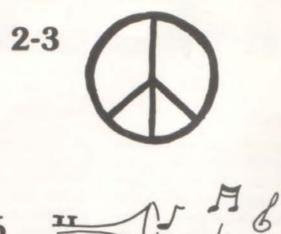
by Maria Bruscato



"Great, now another seven years bad luck."

"Que Pasa?"

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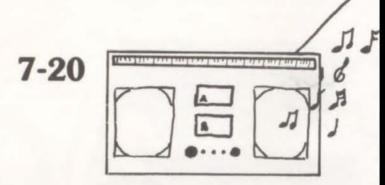
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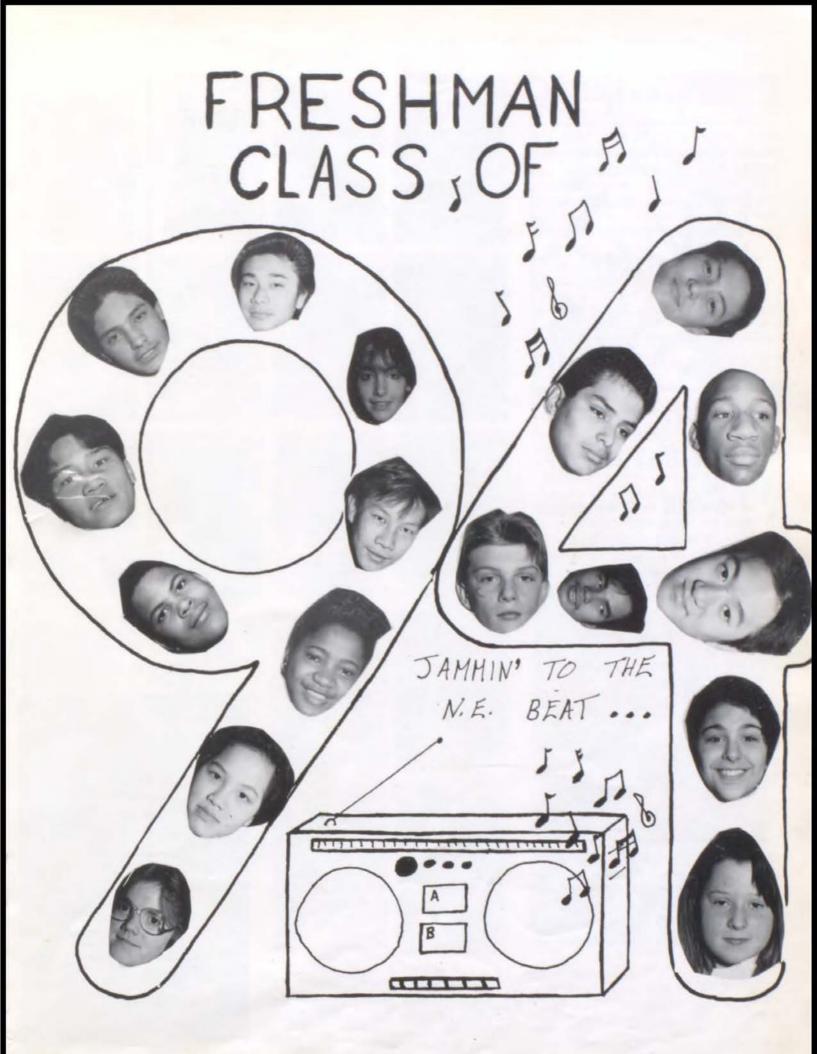
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Thou Dear Northeast Ethol May Rush '14 Dr. A.W. Noll, 1 2 4 1 3 5 Thou, dear North-east, art the fair - est of all, With thee, North-east, there is none can com-pare, We come and go as the years pass-ing by d. J. 13 3 # 1 of all oth - ers, er to fall; Peer nev loft Par - ple and white a in the air glo dear North-east High; Add to thy - ry, 77. roy-al ban - ners un-furl Tnu to our View .oy - al and true to our col - ors we'll be, May we ere leav - ing but add just a gem J. Em - blems of vic - tory the long years through. Crown thee with lawr - els of vic - to - ry. Crown thee with lawr - els of shine for ev - er 117 thy dia - dem. 10 Calla Hobbs '25 Arr. 24.04 Demis Lester

In spite of all the changes that have taken place through the years, our school song has remained the same. "Thou Dear Northeast" is hardly ever heard throughout the year but it is as important to our school as the Northeast Viking. "Thou Dear Northeast" will be our school song long after we graduate and, for now, bonds us silently to those who have already passed through these halls and to those who have yet to come.















### THE FIRST DAY

T he first day of my freshman year was the most frightening day of my life. I was surrounded by people I didn't know and had no idea what was in store for me.

I knew some people but they weren't allowed to speak to freshmen. Maybe they were afraid that people would spread rumors about them talking to us, although I did meet a few juniors and seniors (like Lynda and Nikki) who were nice to me.

Perhaps the upperclassmen pick on freshmen because of how they were treated as freshmen.

Our class president, Chad Harrington, made a great effort to make freshmen feel more confident and better about themselves and I think the freshmen admire him for that. Chad has a great deal of leadership (abilities) and I think he can go places; and, so can the Class of '94. We are the "Best getting Better!"

by Chad LaVoi













Alvarez, Lydia Barks, Ronnie Aquino, Teresa Basinski, Ernest Aranda, Magda Bautista, Gabriel Ballard, Keona Becker, Jean Banks, Erica Blain, Carrie





Blue, Kayla Blunt, Tiffany Boyles, Lonell Bossell, Jenae Brady, Cicardi

Bowden, Lanika



"Wait until my nails are dry!"



Casteneda,

Suzanne Chapman,

Caroline

Paul

Cedras,

Temeka

Compos, Tina

Coleman.

Ami

Burton, Jason Butler, Patricia

Byrd, Beatrice

Bundy, Ted

#### CHEERS FOR FRESHMEN

**B** eing a varsity cheerleader is a great privilege, especially when you are a freshman. Two prime Olivia Raya and examples are Renee Madison. Both girls tried out and made the Varsity squad! Then it was off to camp for training.

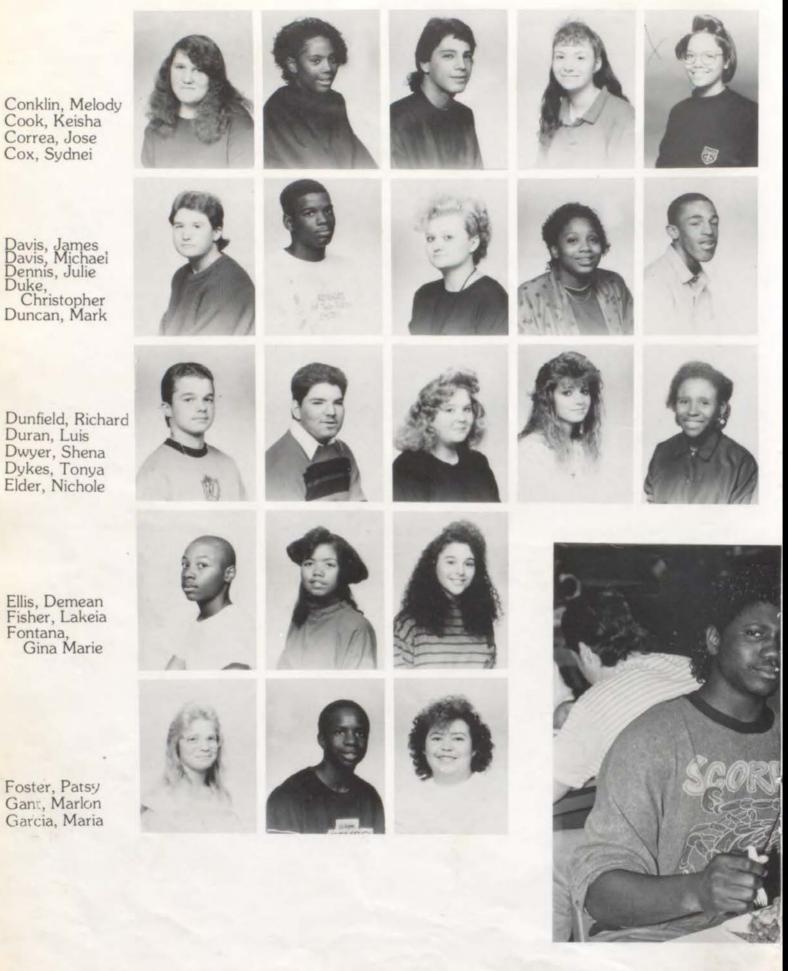
They both agree that being a cheerleader takes hard work, determination, and dediation. Renee says, "Cheerleading is fun, it makes you happy to know you are promoting spirit." Olivia says, "The practice is what helps. It takes a lot but if you give a lot, the product ends being a great squad."

When asked to give some advice to future cheerleaders, they said to hang in there and not quit. Cheerleading is a privilege. They also said to remember one of their cheers:ATTITUDE, BELIEVE, SAY YES TO ACHIEVE!

by Nikita Thompson

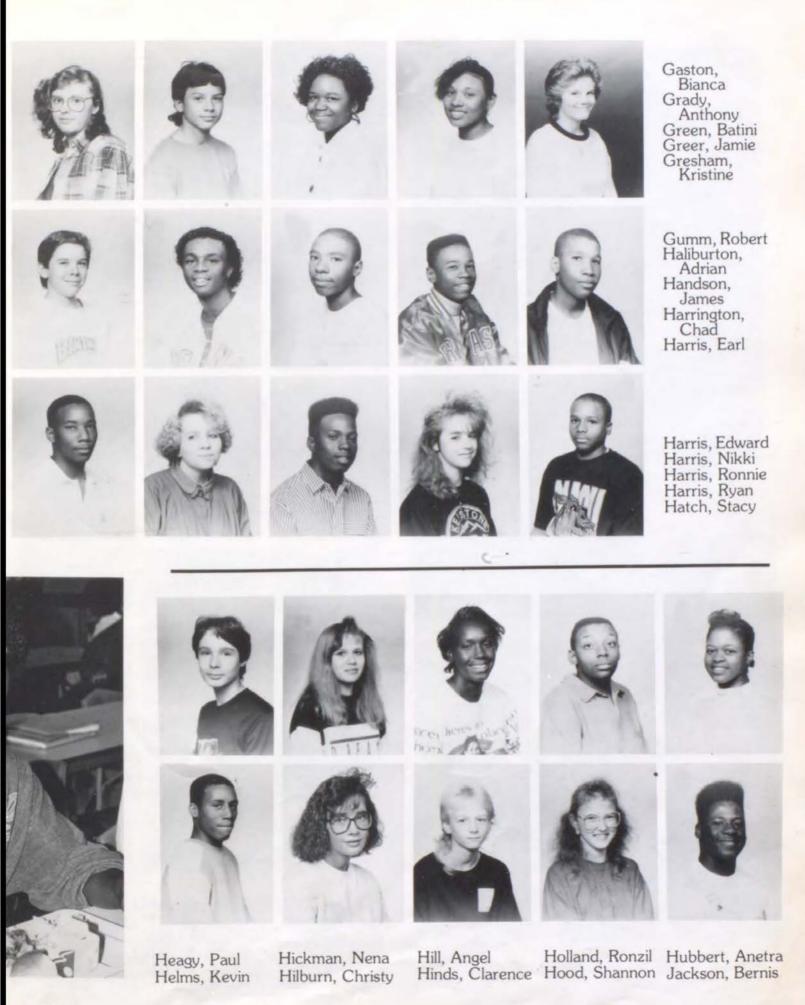


"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses...



"The only thing I recog. milk!"

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James, Alycia Johnson, Howard Johnson, Tekuah Jones, Kimberly Jones, Richard Kaufman, Robert Kirk, Amy Knight, Jackie Kunellis, William Kyle, Bryan Lane, Cymar

Lane, Latina Langham, Ronciia Lara, Veronica La Voi, Chad Lawrence, Nakenya

Le, Chanh Ledgerwood, Timothy Lewis, Carmelita Little, Iris Littlejohn, Dwon



"Whatever you do -don't look behind you."



"I better lay off the hard stuff."

Lordi, Wendy Love, Kareem Madison, Renee Manning, Wanda Mardin, Chandra



Cherelle

Tamika

Parker,

Adriana

Alejandra

Nunez,

Nguyen,

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Moore,

Theresa

Nading,

Tracy

Napier, Darryl





A y first year as a Freshman began by reuniting with my old friends and learning to make new ones. One of my most enjoyable moments during the first week of school was watching people walk up and down the halls looking hopelessly for their clsses.

Around the end of September, many other Freshmen and I had to deal with the tradition of being called "LITTLE FRESHMEN" by upperclassmen. We, the freshmen, now are learning the traditioins that are used year after year, such as: Booing the freshmen during assemblies and the seniors hogging all the attention.

Some of us will mature and realize the importance of education and responsibility that lie ahead for us as the years go by. After all, we surely wouldn't want to be the ones to break tradition. It will all be worthwhile when I will be able to do the same one day!

by Gina Marie Fontana

Schmitt, Diana Scott, Angelette Schreck, Darrin Shaver, Jacob Schriever, David Shelton, Joseph

Sirithisak, Vongphet Smith, Daniel Smith, James Smith, Lisa Sorrells, Tenesha Stewart, Harold



Stovall, Jacquelyn Suppes, Jon Syler, Christina

Talley, Anthony Taylor, Mary Taylor, Tamika Taylor, Tonya Testerman, Nicole

Christopher Torres, Abby Trammel, Teshia Tran, Trang Tran, Teresa

Tricarico, Elizabeth Tucker, Tina Turman, Nicole Turner, Ronald Vargas, Rachelle Vasquez, Carlos Vath, Vuth





Melissa Watson, Dana Whalen, Michael Wharton, Christopher Wiklund, Patrick

Wilbanks, Larry Wilborn, Angelina Williams, Jomond Williams, Lemuel Williams, Shawna Williams, Tyann Winders, Jennifer Winn, Curtis Wolfgeher, Sabrina Wong, Anna Wood, Sandra Woddard, Lorenzo Workcuff, Montonio Zambrano, Rodolfo Zarate, Richard T an Nguyen is your typical Freshman. He is 15 years old and is going through a transitional period. He is too young to drive and too old to have fun at home. He looks at his life as boring, but he doesn't realize how good he has it. His classes, excluding French, are easy for him. He wasn't sure about Northeast at first, but now he realizes that Northeast offers a good variety of classes and clubs. He enjoys the racial diversity. He has many friends, most of which are seniors.

One of his favorite things to do is play video games. He can just about "turn over" any game. Another thing he likes to do is go shopping "to look at the babes in the mall."

After looking around his house, I decided he would make a good photographer. He likes taking pictures as well as having people pose for him.

Tan is good at many sports, especially tennis, and he was captain of a volleyball team.

Tan is easy going and gets along with every one. The class of '94 benefits positively from his presence.

by Nikki Elkins



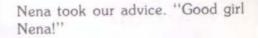
ost people assume freshman year is the hardest. The students have to make a big adjustment and deal with all the upperclassmen. People usually think of freshmen as young, silly, and immature kids who don't know anything. However, this years freshmen are completely different ent. They are intelligent and spirited, Most of the freshmen questioned take school seriously and care about their grades. This doesn't mean that the don't know how to have fun. Freshmen sports are doing well and many fresh men are involved in extracurricular ac tivities. Although the class of '94' has three more years to go, I am sure they will make them long and memorable.

My advice to the class of '94' is to take advantage of every day of every year, because before they know it, they will be graduating.

> "Oh my god! What did you do to your hair!"

"I wonder would happen if I

"I'd rather be at Churches."



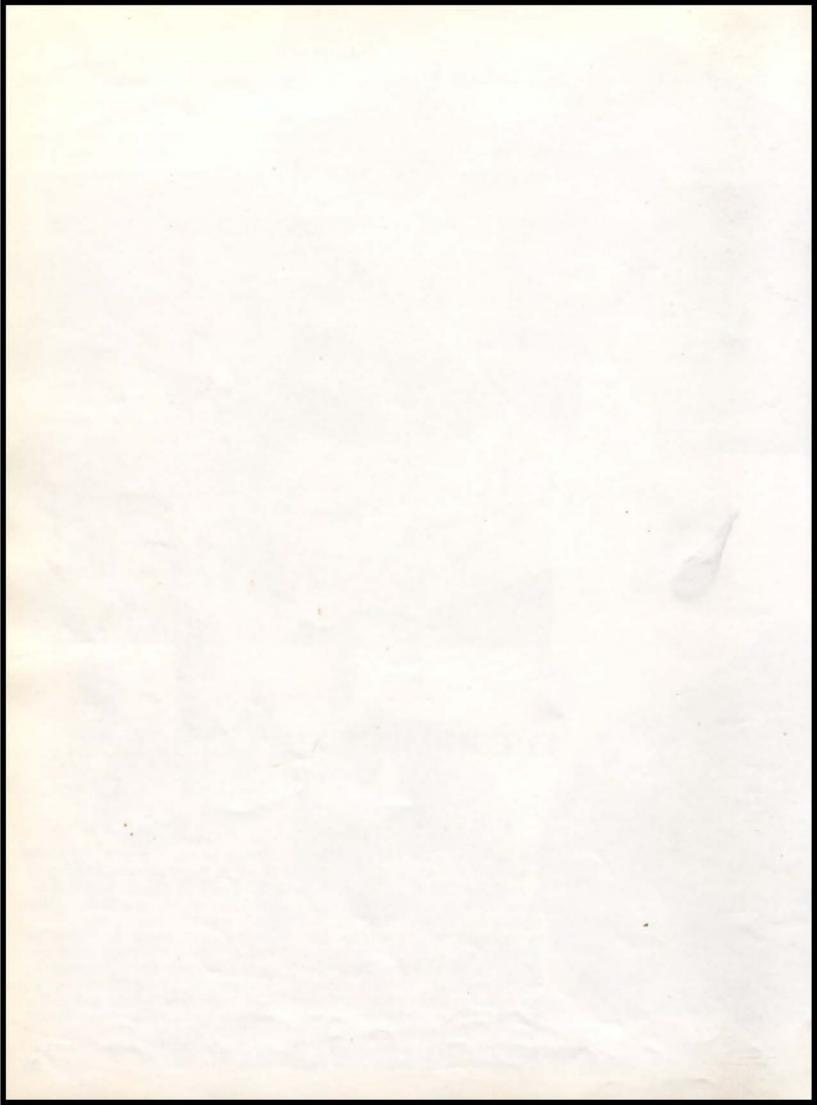
### FRESHMEN, THE CHOICE IS YOURS

How many times have you heard adults say, "If only I could do high school over again. I would have done things differently." Few people realize how important high school really is until it is too late. Now is the time, Freshmen, to reach within yourselves and show what, you're made of. There is no room for mistakes when it comes to your future. "Your senior year is very hard, it's like a transition from kid to adult," says senior Nikita Thompson and further, she says,

"When you're a senior you really don't do the things you planned to do. Don't let anyone kid you into thinking seniors are lucky. We really aren't."

Before you know it, you'll be walking across the stage in cap and gown, looking toward tomorrow with your whole life ahead of you. Use your time wisely and make every year count withmemories that will last a lifetime.

by ShelleyBurton and Giovanna Santora 19



## THE CLASS OF 1993



From left to right, Row 1: Andy Rodriquez, Malisa Lorthridge, Tonya Dykes, Valentina Durbin,; Row 2: Asha Sadarangani, Angela Myers; Row 3: Lorenzo Woodard, Anna Marie Occhipinto, Jesica Santoli, Suzanne Smith, Carrie Green; Row 4: Carrie Lucas, La Vonda Douglas, Kevin York; Row 5: Chris Igou, David Jackson, James Fetters, Paulo Murguia, Roy Galvan, and Richard Young.

### CLASS OFFICERS

Tho are they and what do they want ?

Aisha Thornton, president, said that being sophomore president has given her the opportunity to "speak in public and learn to express herself."

Vice-President Deshire Bear wants to go into the Air Force. She is a military cadet at N.E.. Miss Bear said," Being in Student Council has given me an awareness and sense of closeness with my fellow students"

Diana Dang, Secretary, wants to be

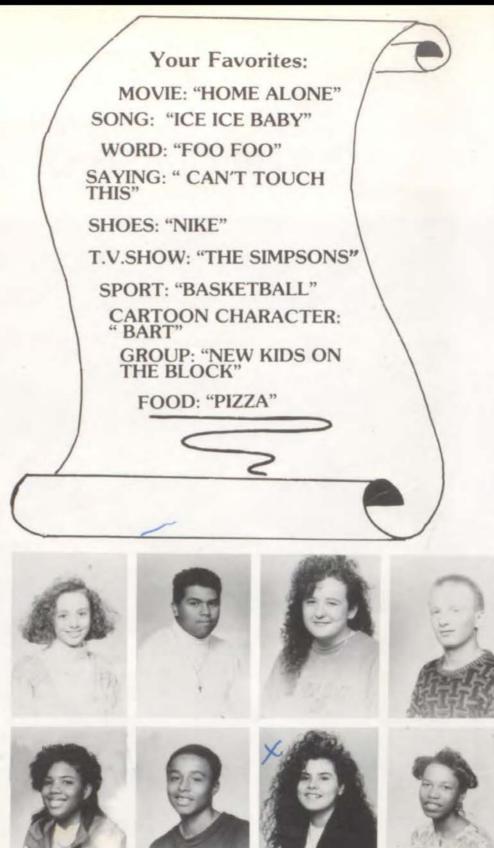


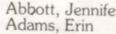
Front:Asha Sadarangani, Diana Dang; Back: Dishire Bear, Aisha Thornton

a doctor. Diana says that being a class officer "offers leadership and responsibilities" not found in any other club. Although, she said the Drill Team came close.

Asha Sadarangani, Class Treasurer, hopes to be a fashion designer or a child psychologist. She summed up the opportunities of her experience as treasurer by saying, "I have been able to meet more people and experience the feeling of helping make decisions for our school!"

These four young women have high hopes and are on track to achieve their goals.



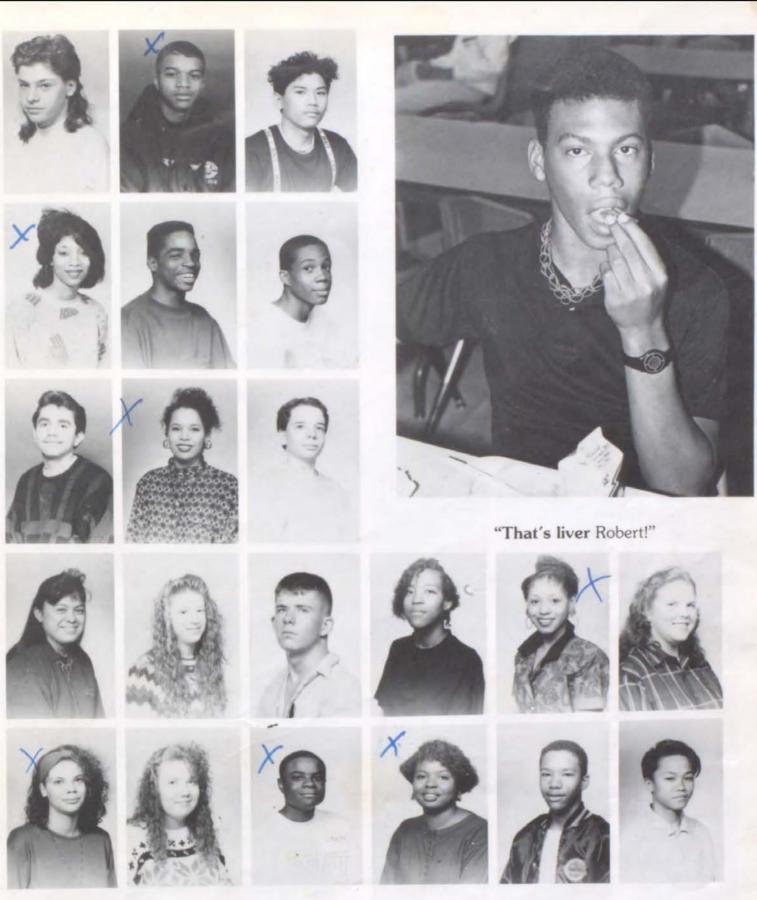


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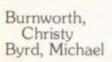
Robert Artis, April

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Atkinson, Reade Bausby, Jerome Avery, Lakeshia Baylis, Darrell Baez, Luis Bear, Dishire Banda, Elizabeth Berkley, Deana Battaglia, Angela Black, Tracy Bouphanovong, Nakhonk Bradley, Clifton Bray, John Brimmage, Larimu Jerimy Brooks, Keni

Brown, Rashawn Buck, Diana Brown, Antonio Bui, Thanh



Cage, Latania Carter, Shelly







"Say Aaah!"



Chaiyote, Sayam-Coleman, Chavez, Nicole Lakedra Clopton, Freddie Collins, Erica Collins, Tiffany

Cosgrove, Kismet Crawford, Toileen Cummins, Mark

Dang, Diana Daniels, Jeffery Davis, Michael Daniels, Alonzo Darnell, Ronnie Daniels, Chandra Davis, Stephen Marchand







Douglas, La Vonda Dupree, Theressa Durbin, Valentina Espinosa, John Esquivel, Eric











Essex,Solomon Esteban,Teresa Farmer,Lisa Fetters, James Findley, Dexter











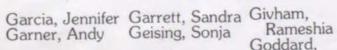
Foster, Patsy Furrell, Paul Gallegos, John Galvan, Roy Gambino, Alisha



"For 'U' Jennifer!"











Goddard, James





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"Whoa! You wanna do what?"











Gomez, Ivette Gonzales, Azaceli Granot, Selena

Gray, Michael Greer, Amanda Hall, Tim Henderso Gregory, Walter Hainen, Lori Hankins, Tonya Hererra,

Henderson, Tiffany Veronica Hickman, Daniel Hickman, Latosha Hilbus, Charlotta

Holley, Steven Hood, Rachel Howell, Bianca Hudspeth, Jeffrey Huff, Donna



### **BIRDS OF A FEATHER**

The Class of '93 appears to be an exciting and outgoing class.

Unlike previous Sophomore classes, they are taking school very seriously. Many of them believe that their grades are very important

They enjoy going out with their friends and having fun but they also take time out for homework and school activities. Mike Gray says, "I do my work but I have fun doing it."



#### "Spiky Mikey"

When asked how they feel about their class, the most common response was that they have always been there for each other and that they will always stick together.

Sophomores are lucky because they share friendships that will last a lifetime and that is something hard to find.

Hurb, Laura Hutsell, Tony Igou, Chris Jackson, Christal Jackson, David







Jones, Brian James, Eric Jennings, Ramona Johnson, Jason Jones, Sarah Johnson, Robert Jones, Shaketa Johnson, William

Kaufman, Robin Jones, Linda Kearney, Angela Jones, Latundra Kelly, Tracy Kirkendall, Anthony Kuder, Alicia

























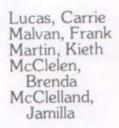








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McCollum, Chris McDaniel, Dwayne McGee, Lynette McMillian, Kelly McMillon, Freginal

Mead, Larry Mendala, Jennifer Mertz, Matthew Milligan, Monice Mitchell, Kelli

Morgan, Carmen Morgan, Kimberly Murguia, Paulo Myers, Angela

Myers, Michele Neil, Johnnie Neitzert, Donald Nguyen, Bao Nguyen, Lien

















Taylor, Lonjuan Taylor, Nissa Thach, Ly Theus, Robert Thornton, Aisha Tinner, Lakecia Torres, Ulysses Tran, Chau Tran, Yaing Turner, Kevin Turner, Sara Wagoner, Stacey Walker, Miranda Walker, Ronnell Wallace, Joe

Waller, Angelique Walters, Michelle Watson, Philip Wells, Sharrise Whitebear, Charles Wilborn, Albert Wilkins, Nicole Williams, Christy Williams, Latosha Williams, Nicole Wilson, Alicia Wilson, Berny Woodard, Lorenzo Woolfolk, Michelle Wright, Stanley



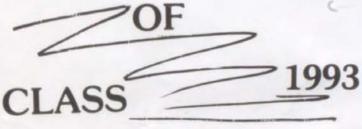






York, Kevin Younce, Gina Young, Richard Zieske, Paul





### SOPHOMORE OUTLOOK

"Sometimes my classes get boring, but I'm pretty satisfied with my education so far."

-Christy Burnworth

"I want to do well in high school so that I can go to a really good college."

· Asha Sadarangani

"Northeast has an excellent Drill Team and R.O.T.C. program. I'm

Hi Ho! Hi Ho! It's off to class we go!

really involved in it." - Tony Hutsell

"Besides getting a good education, I like being able to see my friends everyday."

- Lisa Alvarez

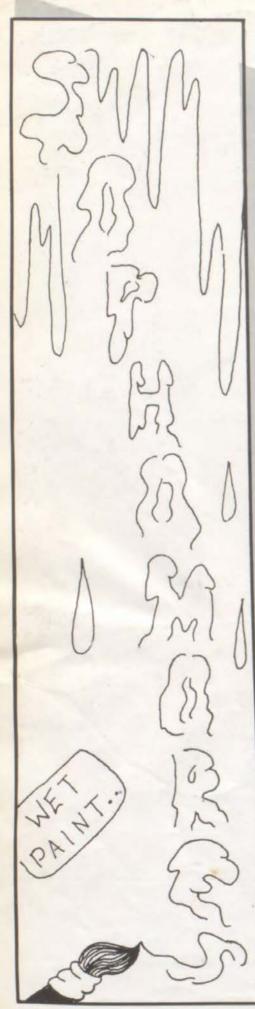
"I like the atmosphere here at Northeast."

- Mike Gray

"As long as I can play football and be near my girl, Northeast is great." - Keith Martin

"Northeast has got a better curriculum than private schools. You can really excel here."

- Suzanne Smith



"See this is how you mix paint."

"Gee Alex, that's cool!"

SHORTS



"Now what was that step?"



From left to right: Lorena Castro, Debbie Karns, Daryl Gilmore, and Son Nguyen

#### **HEADING FOR THE TOP**

The Class of '92 has come a long way since their freshman year. Most of them have become more mature and responsible. Now gone are the scared and puzzled looks first apparent on entry to Northeast. The fears have been replaced with motivation to challenge everything that comes their way.

Everyone knows that juniors have the most creative minds. They are the most spirited, and knowing that next year will be their final year they are super motivated. This energized class will try their hardest to outdo the upperclassmen as well as each other. They are trying hard to prepare for college through regular attendance, good grades, and involvement in extracurricular activities. The Class of '92 will be successful in everything they do.

The Class of '92 will surely make their senior year as memorable as can be with one final step to take before graduation.

# JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS



Front, left to right: Vice-President Irene Downs, President Daryl Gilmore; Back: Secretary Anna Butler, Treasurer Latanya Slaughter.

by Kim Nguyen





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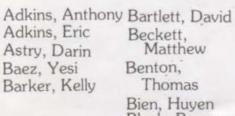
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Collier, Candace Collins, Lashonda





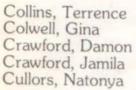


Matthew Thomas Bien, Huyen Black, Rovonne

Bowden, Kevin Brown, Lenesha Bruscato, Maria Buchannan, Cecilia Butler, Anna



"So then I told him, I'll need more than five, honey."



Crawford, Jamila Cullors, Natonya

Dang, Dung Daniels, Sharon Davidson, Angelia Davis, Decarlo DeCook, Jeff















Dixon, Myron Drummer, Trekesha Eaton, Athena

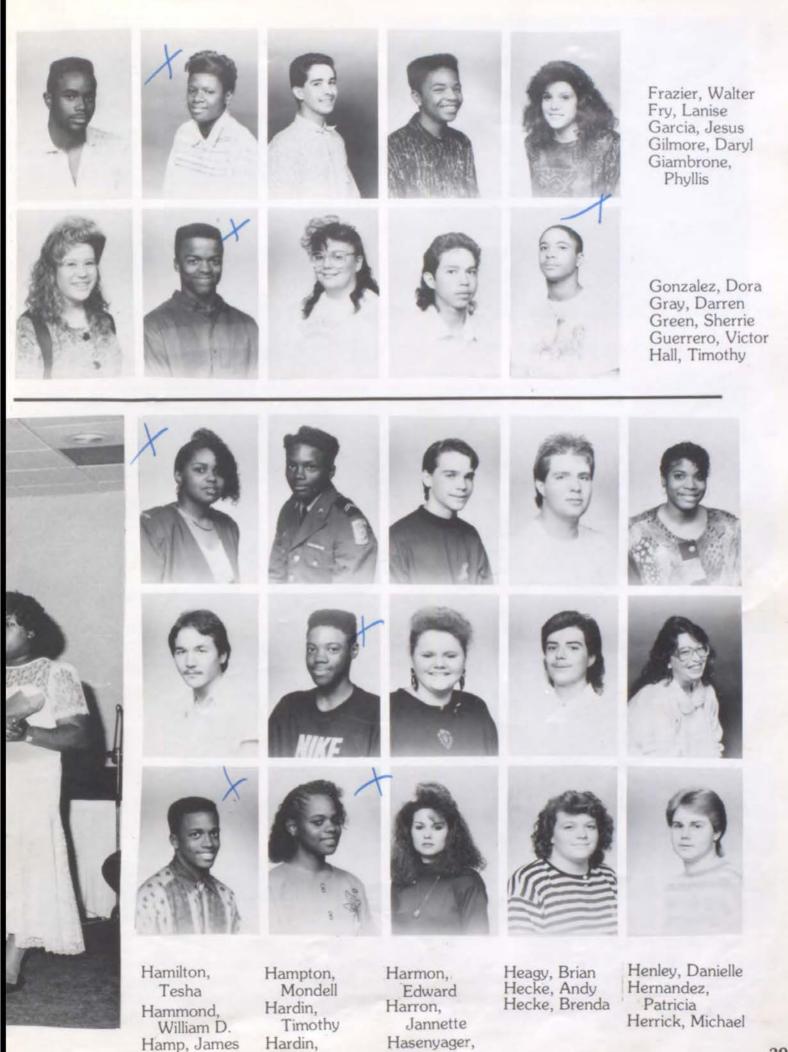
Echavaria, Christina Edwards, Margaret Fields Tiffany



Flippen, James Florez, Angela Forte, Michael



Hurry up and get this over with!



Heidi

Donna

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"I wonder who's purse this is?"

Hill, Annice Holland, Kerrsean

Holley, Steven

Hooker, Veronica











Hudson, Sybil Huff, Machelle Hunter, Aleshia

Huynh, Yer Im, Rorn Jacobs, Robert Jacobs, Shannon Johnson, Charles Johnson, Jamisha Johnson, Tavo Jones, Marcus Jones, Terrence Karn, Debbie Keim, Teresa Klima, Anthony Knight, Amos Lamas, Armando























Lamas, Mario Lapadino, Tina Leap, Jenny Lee, Jackie Leocardi, Carl



Lindsey, Candace Lofton, Fanae Lynn, Loretta Mahoney, Lynda Majeeda, Mara



Manor, Faheemi Manor, Fahoone Manuel, Karla Matthews, Paquita Mayhue, Patsha McKim,

Maxville, Terry McGuire, Desmond McHenry, Domela McKenzie, Alfreda



Mitchell, Latonya Molix, Samara Moore, Crystal Moore, Demoine Nardiello, Christopher

Lakeitha

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#### EINSTEIN AT N.E. !?\*&!



Jung Dang, one of Northeast's most likely to succeed juniors, is a person worth knowing. Not only is he an excellent student, Dung is also a responsible person at home. Behind the distinguished glasses of this Vietmanese student lies a person of many talents.

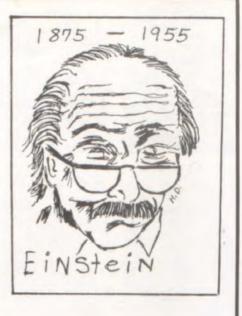
Because of the many hardships he endured while in Vietnam, Dung appreciates the conveniences offered in the United States such as good education. He has definitely learned to take advantage of it to its fullest. Dung strongly believes that by getting an education, he will succeed and fulfill his goals. His prime reason for coming to the United States was to have a better life.

According to Dung, life at Northeast is "fine." The only classes that he considers to be challenging are Calculus and Physics. He wants to attend the Math/Physics Institute next fall. One of Dung's priorities is to be more outspoken. He would like to be able to communicate more with others. Dung's future is undecided; however, he has entertained the thought of becoming a pilot.

During his spare time, Dung watches MTV, plays sports, spends time with his family, and watches his nephews. He also enjoys learning to play the drums. When asked what he wants changed at Northeast, Dung replied that he would encourage classmates to work harder in school. He is more than willing to offer a helping hand.

Dung is another proud student of Northeast. He is proud of our classes, teachers, and multicultural atmosphere. Dung feels that his years at Northeast have been a good experience and appreciates knowing people of different backgrounds.

by Thuy Tran .



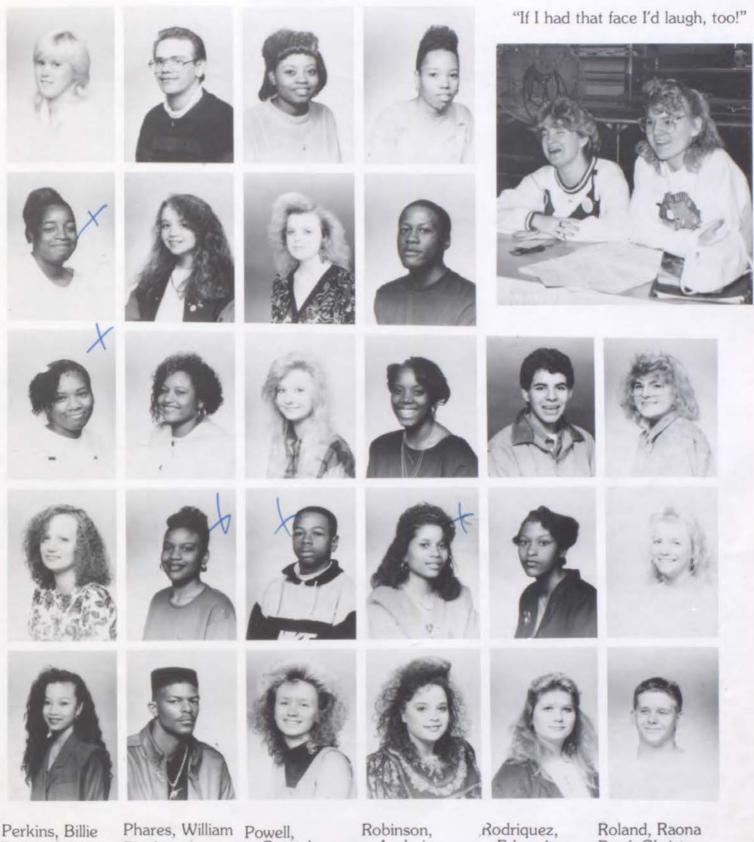


Neil, Mistie Neil, Stephanie Nero, Joann

Nguyen, Kieu Nguyen, Son

Nguyen, Trang Parris, Jerome Nguyen, Thoan Pena, Jackie

Nguyen, Dong Nguyen, Toan Overall, Crystal



Perkins, Bille Perkins, Latresse Perkins, Maria Peters, Mary Pham, Tuyet Phares, William P Pingleton, Tiffany P Plum, Chara P Poplar, Tammie Powell, Alonzo R

Powell, Crystal Preston, Deanna Provance, Shelly Redmond, Christopher Reynolds, Anji Robinson, Andreia Robinson, Jermnaine Robinson, Karen Robinson, Monica Roccaro, Francis

Rodriquez, Eduardo Rodriquez, Zatina Rogers - Wendy Roland, Raona Rupf, Christa Russum, Carl



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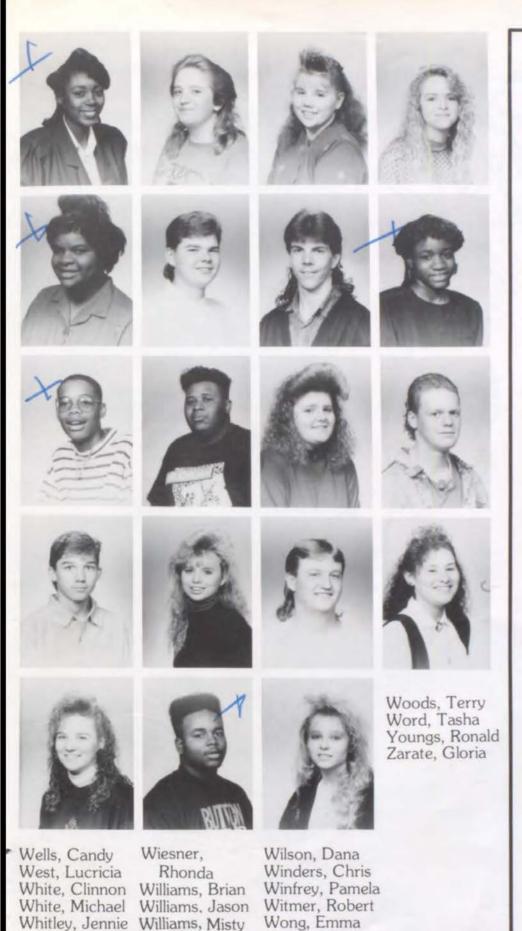
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Smith, Curtis Smith, Michael Smith, Melissa

Raymond Suppes, Elizabeth Taylor, Alicia

Christina Utley, Terrie

Weaver, Bill



Willis, William

### WE HAVE SPIRIT

The class of '92 is recognized as a winning team with a winning spirit. Every year the juniors are victorious in the spirit competition. We proudly show our school spirit. We have respect for our school, and through respect we achieve. There is no higher reward than the spirit award, because spirit represents dedication and loyalty.

The school's motto, "The Best Getting Better", is meaningless unless the students make it happen, and the juniors are on their way to do just that!



"What am I supposed to do?"

I think Northeast LPSMM is very multicultural and has a good balance of peace and unity. We have many different types of students and no one race dominates the school. The racial mix at Nor heast is the most balanced of all the magnet high schools in the Kansas City School District. We have Vietnamese, Hispanics, Italians, and African Americans as well as white Americans. When we do have conflicts, they're settled quickly and easily.

by Tim Harden

# UNITED

The juniors of 1990-91 have siezed every chance to shine and excel. Instead of going along as seperate individuals, they have put all their special talents together to become the spirited achievers they are.

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Whether it is sports, band, or student government, the juniors are involved. The class of '92 has a well earned reputation for being aggressive and outgoing. Anything they set their minds to, they do well and with pride.

What is in the future for the junior class? Everything! This class is made up of future athletes, musicians, politicians, teachers, and every other occupation that takes creativity and responsibility. The fact that they know what they want and how to get it is what makes the class of '92 so special.

"Give me Lysol or give me death!"

by Maria Bruscato

Good, better Best

Never let it rest.

Until your good is better,

And your better, best.

## JUST YOUR AVERAGE JUNIOR

"You'll never guess what I heard about Mr. Brown!"

"Trust me, I'm from the government."

nors)

Daryl is actively participating in many school activities and is also the youth coordinator at Harvest Church. He is also the general manager of the youth-oriented ABC Bakers.

**D** aryl Gilmore, president of the Junior Class, has set high goals for himself and is working hard to reach them. Daryl dreams of a

career in business or politics. He would like to start his career by

owning a business and ultimately

get involved in politics. He would

like to be mayor someday.

When asked about junior life at Northeast, Daryl says that this is the toughest year for juniors since they have to start pulling things together, especially if they're interested in going to college. He is proud of the fact that juniors are coming together to form a tighter unit. They have come a long way since their freshman year. Daryl is also proud of our school:"One of the best qualities of N.E.L.PS.M. is the fact that we are mixed and color blind and we don't have many racial problems. Students do appreciate as well as tolerate each other's differences." J unior Lorie Castilleja's perceptions of Northeast High School reflect the attitudes of many juniors. She believes that the diversity of cultures gives people the opportunity to become familiar with everyone's cultural differences, yet similarities as people. "The atmosphere here at Northeast is different. People here are friendly and seem not to have attitudes. There is also more tolerance between the different races here," comments Lorie when comparing to her previous high school.

Lorie's participation in the Civil Air Patrol, Flag Girls, and Prom Committee makes her well rounded and gives her the opportunity to interact with her peers away from the classroom. Lorie has also been

a Mexican Folklore Dancer since the age of six.

In the future, she hopes to become a criminal lawyer and serve as a role model for Hispanics.

Lorie describes her junior year as being the most difficult because she wants to make a good impression for scholarship opportunities that are available. Her overall impression of the junior class is, "We are like a big family, willing to help each other out."

by Leticia Zarate

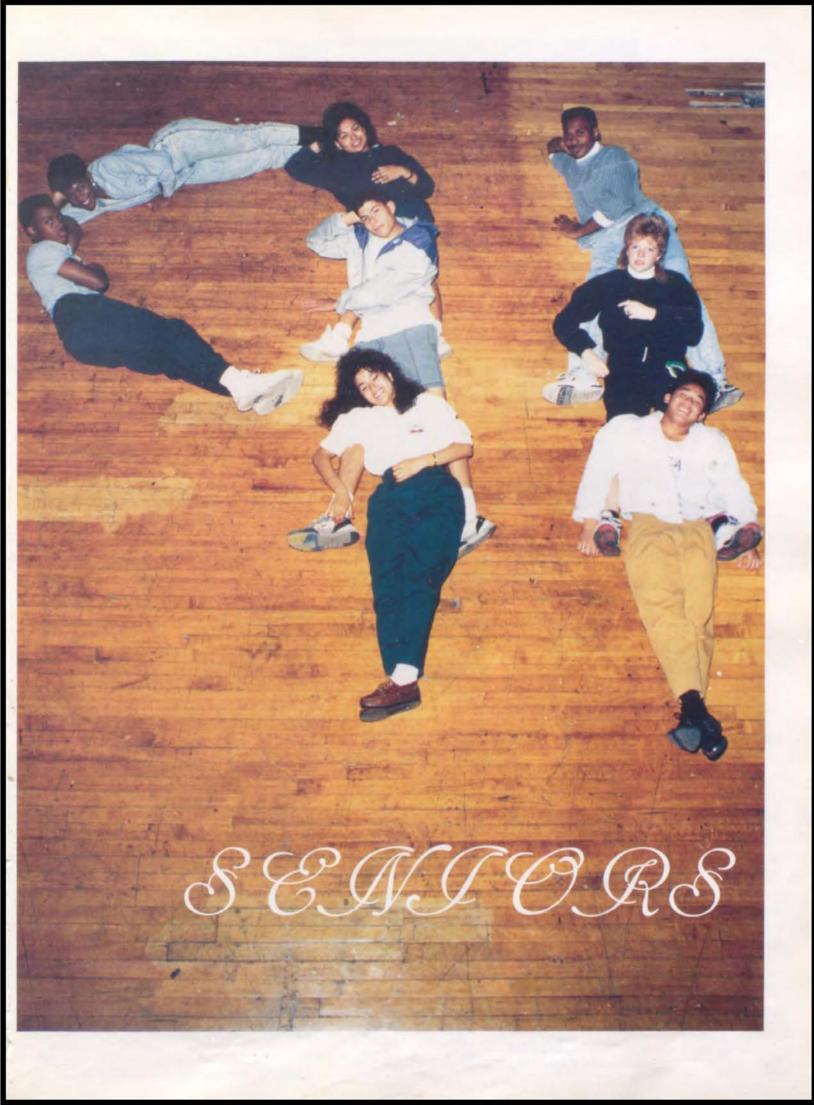
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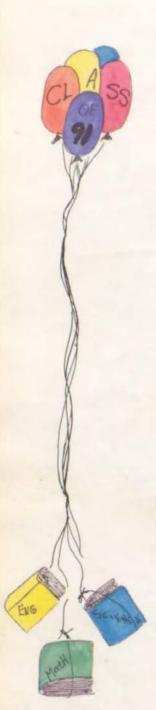




"How much longer do I have to smile?"

"Beautify me, girls", laughs Phyllis!





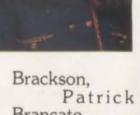


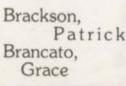






Blanton, Barbara Boyd, Marlene









Abbott, Tracey Adams, Kecia Avis, Christina Baker, Danette



Baldin, Joseph Banks, Kenya Bausby, Hosea Blake, Reginald



Jeborah and boyfriend ... "Kiss me baby!"



### HERE AND NOW

W e, the Nor Easter Staff, are proud to present the 1991 Senior Class.

For the past four years, the students have been changing

and growing along with the school. "The classes have changed and more people have come. The R.O.T.C. is looking good and we have created a more positive atmosphere in the school", said Alfred Tatum.

The seniors of '91 are the first class to graduate after four years of magnet themes. Those who graduated before did not have the same privileges or share the same benefits they have known. The Law, Public Service/Military themes have enriched the students in ways no one had dreamed.

Through Law and Public Service classes, they have learned the important role they will play in society. They have studied their rights as well as their limitations. They know how to take care of themselves as well as others who will benefit from their special skills.

Those seniors who have explored the military aspect of our school have learned lessons about life that are available nowhere else. These students are encouraged to learn responsibility. They gain great loyalty and trust from their fellow cadets while learning to use their own resources and become more self-reliant.

All of this put together is what makes this senior class so special. The class of '91 has a headstart on all the rest. The friendships they have made and the growing acceptance they have for each other is the perfect example that we can all get along **in Living Color.** 

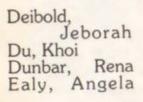
Congratulations to the class of '91, you did it! Maria Bruscato



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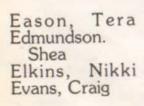
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Fabela, Maria Fontana, Ford, Daphnye Freeman, Melissa

Gardner, Amanda Gay, Robert

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Gonzalez, Jorge Gordon, Renna Griffith, Cheri Guillen, Marisela







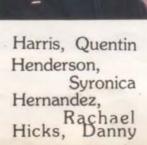








Hall, Robert Hasndson, Ruth Harris, Larry Harris, Patricia











Higgins, Michelle Hilburn, Bambi Jackson, Danny Johnson, Christopher

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"I know I' cute," think Maria.



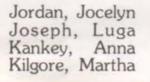


Johnson, Kieth Johnson, Jones, Dennis











Lamas, Luz Lang, Chrisell Lanier, Jenny Lee, William



"Markey don't play that!"



"Will someone me find my gun



her age.





Lord, Angela



Luppens, Sommer Marshall, Franklin



Anthony and Khoi cross the threshhold!













Mays, Tim McDonald, Diane McGautha, Jonathon McKinzie, Alan



Medellin, Maria Mendala, Christine Mendez, Maria Menendez, Reina



Zuniga on the phone (cutting a deal?)!



"Okay...So what.", counters Patrick.



Anthony R. says, "Do you really expect me to eat this?"



"Should I or shouldn't I", thinks Randy.



Metcalf, Stephanie Miller, Kim

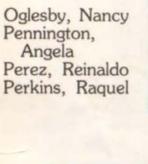


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Morgan, Johnny Morris, Nicole Munkirs, Debra Neal, Monica

Nelson, Tracy Nguyen Le Kim Nguyen Cuong Occipinto,Laura









Perry, Angela

Phommata, Chanthadeth



Powell, DeLana

"Can't these people spell?", moans Giovanna.



"Cheese," says Latrice.





Northeast is special because almost every country in the world is represented here. We seniors have strived to make Northeast better. We want others to know that we have one of the very best schools in the district, academically as well as socially.

Take a look through our halls and you will see many different faces. We have something special here and we are proud of it. We have our problems like any school, but we find the strength to overcome them. We hope we can leave the underclassmen the same feelings about Northeast. We have learned that life is not in black and white but "in living color."

Shelley Burton



Purnell, Monique Rabon, Shanese Reese, Janetta Richardson, Anthony Ritterhoff, Jimmy Robinson, Litel Rowe, Jennifer Sadarangani, Sandeia Santora, Giovanna Scott, Denise Scott, Terry Smith, Kelley

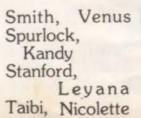






Smith, Nicole Smith, Teresa







Tanner, Henry Tanner, Kim Tatum, Alfred Taylor, Tammy



Thomas, Brenda Thomas, Shawn Thompson, Nikita Tinsley, Jessica













William says, "Senior life is tough!"









Williams, Rhonda









Todd, Cindy Tran Nhat Thuy Thi Tyler, Emily Vath, Mao



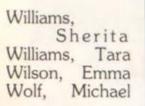
Villareal, Latonya Walls, Eugene Washington, Anita Walker, Nichole



Webb. Nicole West, Regina Whitley, Tammie



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Workman, Billie Young, Cynthia Young, Maginta Zarate, Leticia

### CAMERA SHY SENIORS

Alexander, Latanya Hazley, Marcus Alvarez, Lana Atkinson, Bruce Belgrave, Hayden Hill, Shawanna Bonavia, Joseph Brimmage, Thomas Holmes, Mishi Moore, Shelly Coleman, Trina Conley, Xavier Croce, Nunzio Crooms, Charnice Darnell, Deborah Davis, Johnell Dean, Lemmie Dupree, John Fritz, Curtis Gasser, Mathew Goff, Rhonda Gotow, Robert Grogan, Michael Ha Uyen Hai Harbrucker, Christian Parrish, Bridgette

Heitzman, Melanie Henderson, Contessa Holbrook, Sharon Jackson, Anthony Jackson, Regina James, Lori Johnson, Kimikka Korenak, Kelly Lewis, Brandon Maxwell, Reginald McCallister, Letitia McDavitt, Jeffery McKinney, Kelley Mister, James Mister, Melanie Move, Shawnell Nguyen Tri Trong Zuniga, Richard Padilla, Enrique

Pavlica, Jeana Ramphal, Rene Reves, Monica Robertson, Rochelle Ross, Lisa Samson, Karen Sharpes, Cherlyn Smith, William Squires, John Thai Thuy T Thompson, Lindsey Tran Khanh Bao Treese, David Wagoner, Tammy West, Christopher Wheeler, Ashama Williams, Samuel Winningham, Daniel Wright, Barbara



Viking fans in awe as J.V. shuts out East at Homecoming.

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Nicole Morris shouts, "Seniors are 1!"

W e, the 1991 graduating class of Northeast Law/Public Service, Military Magnet High School are proud of who we are.

Proud that we are the first class to graduate from a four year magnet program.

Proud that we have seen our school rise above the rest and regain lost respect.

Yes, we are proud.

Proud of all that we have worked for, fought for, and all that we have accomplished throughout our struggles.

Pride is such an important word in our lives. We have beaten the odds and are achieving our goals.

So many memories, glorious, heartbreaking, and sometimes hostile, will accompany us on our way out. We have been through so much, made so many mistakes and yes, learned from them.

We have experienced so many different aspects of life; and still, our lives have yet to begin.

As we prepare to graduate, we begin to see our futures in a new light, in new perspectives, in LIVING COLOR. We imagine ourselves ten years from now, and we are proud of what we see. We know we hold within us the power to succeed. We are the Pride of 1991.

> Giovonna Santora Class of 1991.

Mark tells Sonja, "Do me baby!"



Dennis and Anthony checking out their future home in Hades!

## **FUTURES**

As freshman, we entered Northeast with curiosity, anticipation, and a little fear. None of us really knew what the future held in store for us, but we could all see a small glimpse of what we wanted in our lives.

We have all established some goals throughout our high school years and have worked toward accomplishing them.

There were times when we lost sight of our goals but, we are proud to say that we found the strength to resist the temptation to take the easy way out and stood by our values to see our way through to graduation.

We thank our dedicated teachers who have worked so hard to educate us within the new magnet themes. They have helped us grow and mature and have given us the discipline we need to succeed. Without their guidance, our futures, whatever they may be, might not be so promising.

Our decision to join the Armed Forces, attend college, or pursue a career has been influenced by the educational and moral background present in Northeasts' Law, Public Service/Military High School.



Robert playing it off.



"Maybe I'll just go to beauty school!"



Giovanna Santora

"Yo! Get the !&\*¢\*\* out of my face!!", says Khanh.

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS, left to right: Maria Mendez, Denise Scott, Leticia Zarate, Michelle Higgins.



HAPPENIN' SENIORS, left to right, Row 1: Giovanna Santora, Shelley Burton, Nikki Elkins, Phonnie Kitivoravong, Kim Nguyen, Grace Brancato, Leticia Zarate, Mao Vath; Row 2: Nikki Taibi, Melanie Heitzman, Michelle Higgins, Thuy Tran, Maria Mendez, and Nikita Thompson.

The Senior Class officers feel that they have accomplished many things during this past year. Senior Class President Leticia Zarate, feels that "The officers did an excellent job considering their lack of support from the rest of the Senior Class." The officers of the Class of '91 sponsored a "Winter Apparel Drive." The items collected were given to the Salvation Army. The Senior Officers also planned the Baccalaureate, the class trip, and a class fling.

The Senior Class Officers are: Leticia Zarate, President; Denise Scott, Secretary; Maria Mendez, Sergeant-at-Arms; and Michelle Higgins, Treasurer.



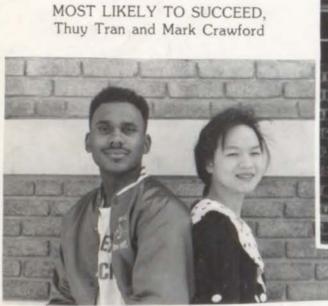
# **SENIOR BALLOT**





MOST POPULAR, Regina West and Carlos Scroggins

CLASS CLOWNS, Amanda Gardner and Dennis Jones





BEST PERSONALITY, Khoi Du and Monique Purnell





ALWAYS IN THE HALLS, Eugene Walls and Amanda Gardner

CUTEST COUPLE, Nunzio Croce and Jo Marie Fontana





BIGGEST FLIRTS, Mishi Holmes and Alan Mckenzie



MOST ATHLETIC, Jocelyn Jordan

ARTHEAD





BEST BULL, Amanda Gardner and Anthony Miller

FAVORITE TEACHERS, Mr. Connors and Ms. Coffman



MOST DEPENDABLE, Maria Mendez and Reginald Blake



LOUDEST MOUTHS, Monica Neal and William Smith



William Lee

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CUTEST, Mishi Holmes and Hayden Belgrave



DONE THE MOST, Mark Crawford and Maria Mendez



DINGIEST, Amanda Gardner and Anthony Giambrone



MOST CONCEITED, Jeanetta Reese and Richard Zuniga



MOST ANNOYING, Nikita Thompson and Jay Luga

BEST BUDDIES, Debbie Munkirs and Jo Marie Fontana



BEST BUDDIES, Anthony Giambrone and Dennis Jones







#### All Work And No Play

O ne outstanding member of our student body is , junior, Eric Adkins. This year Eric earned the title of All City Command Sergeant Major by hard work, preparation, and skill. His commitment to R.O.T.C. is clearly shown in his motives and actions.

Eric, 17, will not let his knowledge of military and leadership go to waste. "My long term goal after high school is to go to Lincoln University in Jefferson City. After two years in R.O.T.C. there, grab my commission as a Second Lieutenent in the U.S.Army and come back to Kansas City to finish my last two years at UMKC", Eric explained. This guideline should not be too hard for him to follow. He has proven, over the last three years. just how determined and strongwilled he can be when he puts his mind to it. This is further exemplified by his dedication to the football team as well as his stint as Sophomore Class President.

The next title Eric plans to get is All City Colonel. He wants his R.O.T.C. experiences to stay with



him. "I want to do these things, in this order. I plan on staying in the U.S.Army until they kick me out. If I can get about 25 or 30 years of service, I'll be happy. Maybe I'll become a member of the Joint Ch iefs of Staff...After retirement, become SAI for JR.R.O.T.C.", he said.

Eric Adkins is a true soldier at 17. He has learned the meaning of loyalty, leadership, and discipline and is promising to use these skills to advance in any field he desires.

by Maria Bruscato



"How do



I get myself into these situations?"





"No pain, no gain."

"I think Northeast has the best fitness center in the state of Missouri!"

Richard Haskell, Coach.



"I say we should hang em!"

# MILITARY



"What's wrong now !?!"

It was 7:20 AM on the Rifle Range, at Northeast. The R.O.T.C. Alpha Company was getting into straight, even, perfect lines called formation. The company commander was bellowing directions at them, "Get that gun out of your mouth! Look straight ahead," and "Females will drop too!" During all this shuffling, there were no adults present, yet the cadets obeyed the higher ranking cadets.

When Sgt. Monroe entered the room, he found a quiet and perfectly formed company. The company commander then let the Alpha Company in the Pledge of Allegiance. Unlike the company commander's voice, the sergeant spoke in a normal tone. Sgt. Monroe proceeded to take roll and every cadet answered in a resounding, "Here Sir!" The higher ranking officers were walking around looking at the cadets as the sergeant was speaking. Occasionally, a cadet would be pulled out and was told, "Give him ten". After roll was taken, they were led in drill exercises. As they were drilling, shoes were hitting the floor simultaneously, creating one loud sound. "Left Face," "Right Face," "Present Arms," and "About Face," were orders that they had to perform. They sat at the tables after drilling and did map exercises. This part seemed like a normal classroom.

R.O.T.C. eats during fourth hour. The lunch hour is divided and the company that wins inspection eats first. The loosing company eats last.

"Gee how exciting."

Lunch order is different from week to week. There is no pushing, shoving, or crowding at R.O.T.C. lunch. The cadets divide into differnt groups after and some go to the gym while others go to classrooms. The Color Guards, Drill Teams, and Rifle Team practice in the gym then go to classrooms afterward.

The R.O.T.C. program at Northeast is something to be proud of. The cadets take their jobs seriously, and consider it an honor to wear their uniforms. The program is best summed up by the Army's motto, "Be all that you can be."

by Christina Echavarria

# LAW/PUBLIC SERVICE



"Hey Kiddies...Where am I?"

"It's a wild experience because there are so many people in one room. We're just wild...I can't explain it!"

Aleshia Hunter,

Clubs and Organ.



"I plead temporary insanity."

M any people are in the Law/Public /Service strand of Northeast High School; but very few people know what different classes are included in the two themes.

The Law theme includes a class in the mock courtroom, Advocacy. Advocacy teaches the students about how a courtroom works and what it's like to be in court. The students try cases that have really happened, but often change names and other things to make the cases unique. The courtroom is exactly like one found in a standard courthouse. The judge's chair, witness stand, and baliff's desk are located at the front of the court, facing the lawyers. There are two tables in the center of the court, one for the prosecuting attorney and the other for the defense. The jury section is along one side facing the defense and prosecution. There is even a judge's chamber and jury meeting room in addition to the courtroom.

The Public Service theme has a class that specializes in media . Media Publications, an umbrella class, produces the news letter, the yearbook, publicity articles, and photography for both the Law/Public Service and Military strands. Students are always coming and going from class, working on articles or photography for the yearbook, or newsletter. The classes organization is markedly different than the advocacy class and the required freedom to get the job done is most appreciated.

by Bobby Jacobs

#### COMING TO AMERICA

**T**wo new additions to N.E. this year are Giang Thao and Tran Nguyen. Giang, who has been here since October, is a sophomore and Thao, a junior, arrived in Kansas City last November.

Giang remembers having a lot of fun in Vietnam but said that he wanted to come to the United States to have a better life. So far, he finds school fun and the work manageable. His favorite class is ESL. Giang is striving to learn more English and more about the military and police work. His plans after graduation include the possibility of going to college, becoming a policeman, or joining the army.

Thao, on the other hand, admits that she did not have a choice in ther decision to come to the United States. Her father worked for the U.S.Army before and during the Vietnam War. Thao's father was imprisoned for ten years by the communists after the war because of this. Thao's family was allowed to leave because of a program designed to help the families of soldiers. Although she had wanted to remain in the land where she was born, Thao is happy to be here now.

She enjoys going to school but is also anticipating graduating this year. Most of the classes are challenging because of the language barrier. She hopes to excel in English and also to obtain more knowledge about computers. Thao will go on to college after graduation but she is still undecided about her major. Thao and Giang, although here only such a short time, like N.E. and appreciate the advantages they have here.

by Thuy Tran



"Could you repeat that please?"

#### SEEKING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

ortheast's student body consists of a variety of students from different nationalities, many of whom have come to the U.S. with their families in search of educational opportunities. Two of these students, Araceli Baez (junior) and her brother, Luis (sophomore), originally from Mexico City, Mexico, are part of the Northeast family. Although they've experienced difficulties due to the language barrier, they enjoy school and value their opportunity to get an education. In order to assist their learning English, Araceli and Luis are enrolled in ESL (English as a second language) where they are taught English and American history.

The opportunity to obtain scholarships, grants, and other financial assis-



tance to continue education beyond high school, has led Araceli and Luis to look toward attending college. Araceli hopes to study foreign language, whereas Luis is undecided.

Araceli and Luis have encountered cultural differences in seeking employment while attending high school. They have also found out that the American people are more concerned with social problems such as drugs and crime. One problem they have experienced in adapting to American customs has been the freedom teenagers have. Although they are tempted to become more Americanized, they want to hold on to their cultural values and customs.

by Leticia Zarate

"Did you say smile?"



### **NEW AMERICANS**

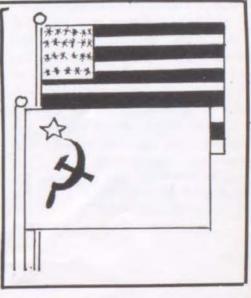
In November 14, 1991, the lives of five people changed dramatically. The Muradiyan family moved to Kansas City from their home country of Russia. They are from Odessa, capitol of the Odessa Region, in the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. Odessa is a major sea port and is highly populated so Oleg and Natalya, freshman and sophomore students at Northeast, have adjusted well to living in Kansas City.

Both Oleg and Natalya enjoy living in America but miss Russia deeply. Oleg believes that America and Russia are very similar now because of the changes in russian government. Natalya thinks that Kansas City is beautiful but admits that Odessa has gorgeous scenery and architecture.

Oleg and Natalya attended a small school and studied various subjects including English before coming to America. The environment is very different for them at Northeast. Not only does the language barrier prevent them from communicating with other students but it also makes learning difficult.

Oleg and Natalya hope to continue their high school education here at Northeast.

by Maria Mendez and Barbara Blanton



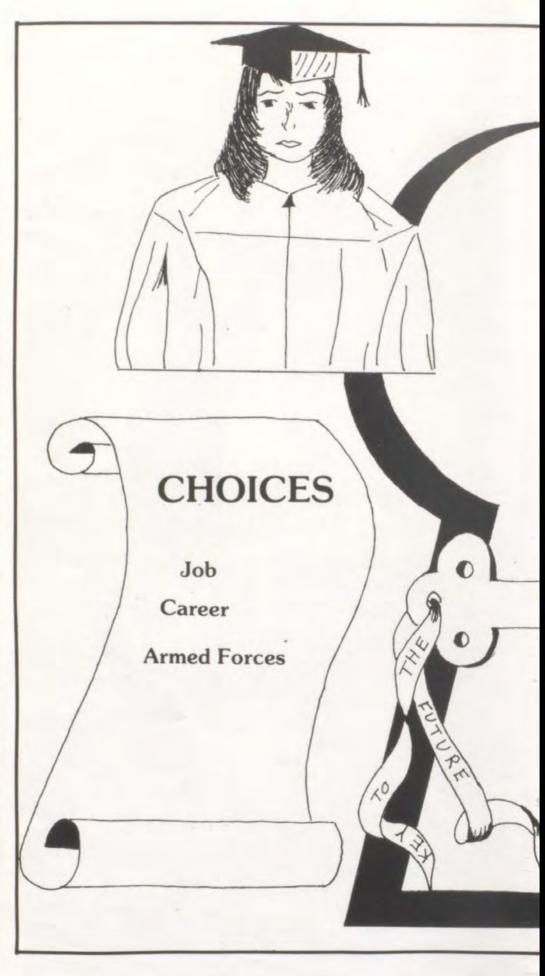
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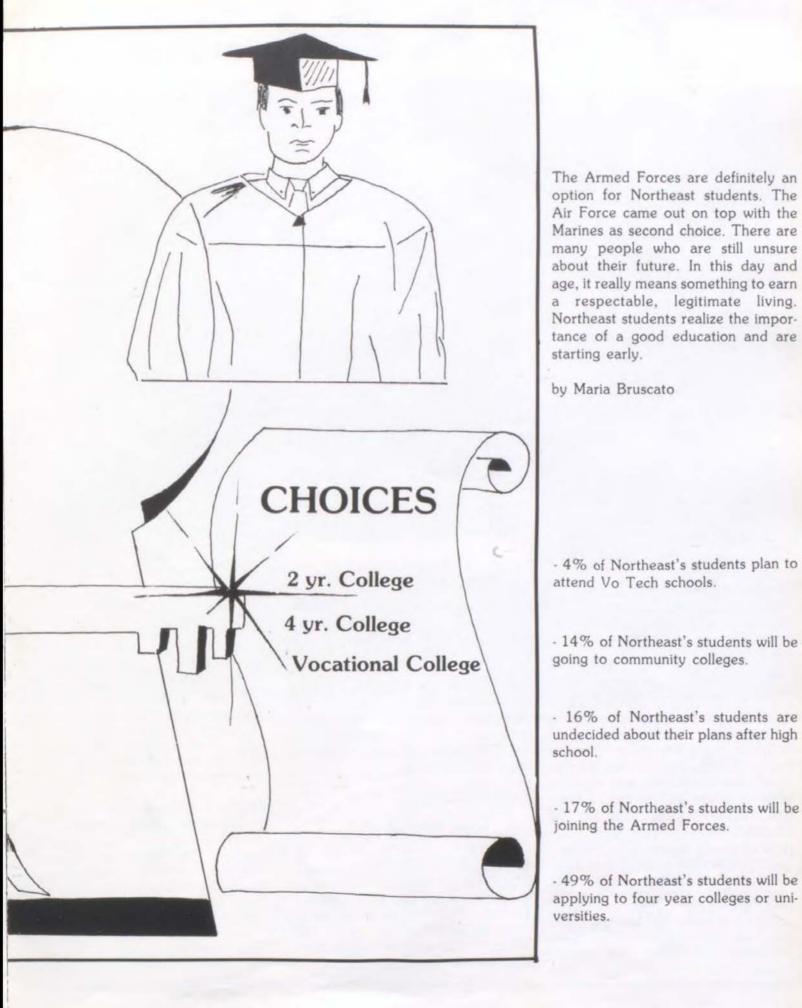
#### **Future Plans?**

**F** rom a very young age, people begin to plan what they want to do with their lives. It probably started when they were first asked, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" Back then it was fun to play and pretend but now this question is real and teenagers face the question everyday: "What do you want to be now that you are grown up?"

An overwhelming number of Northeast students have a very clear view of what career they plan to pursue. How to get to that destination, though, is another problem all together. Their career choices range from chefs to archaeologists. Keeping in tune with the Law/Public Service theme, most students plan to seek out a career in the field of Law. Social Work was also a popular choice. The old stand-by of police officer was another choice, as well as engineering specialists and photographers.

Picking a college or deciding whether to go into the armed services are all immediate decisions in reaching these occupations. The majority of students polled have plans to attend a four year college. Most students want to stay in Missouri and attend school's like UMKC, Rockhurst, and MU. Out of state schools like Harvard, KU, and Michigan State are also popular. Before entering these schools, a lot of people take classes at community colleges to prepare them for the big time. Penn Valley, Maple Woods, and Longview are Missouri schools that offer that opportunity. Vo Tech schools like TAD are available for those who want to learn a special skill.





## DESERT STORM DRAWS STUDENT SUPPORT

#### FEELINGS OF LONELINESS

H aving someone in the Navy and in Saudi Arabia is hard. There is a lot of heartache. The last time you saw the one you love, that thought that this might be the last time you'll ever see him again, has you staying up day and night and worrying and wondering if he's ok. Daily, you watch the news till 5:00 or 6:00 in the morning. You don't want to go to sleep because if you do, something might happen and you're afraid you weren't there to find out.

While listening to the radio, all of a sudden you're song comes on. One thing that helps is that you have his family standing right beside you and they keep you in touch as much as you do them. Crying is common because it is a way to get the anger out, but most of the time you keep listening and waiting. Loneliness goes with the territory of having a boy friend or a fiance' in the Navy, the pain of not having someone always around is sometimes unbearable.

by Barbara Blanton

#### **PUBLIC ENEMY No.1**

The invasion of Kuwait and the war in the Persian Gulf has affected everyone in one way or another. Many families have loved ones in Saudi Arabia trying to stop a madman and his insane ideas. Saddam Hussein has become Public Enemy No. 1, but he has done one thing that was thought nearly impossible. Saddam Hussein has restored patriotism in the United States.

Almost every house, tree and car has a yellow ribbon tied to it or a flag flying high. Many people are wearing little yellow ribbons or flag pins on their shirts or coats, showing support for our troops in the Gulf. During the Vietnam War, patriotism dropped dramatically



Geoff Simmons displays Northeast's support.

because many people opposed U.S. involvement. Protests and burning of draft cards and flags were common scenes during the Vietnam era.

Though people are against the war in the Gulf, many realize that theymust, if not support the war, at least support the troops ao that Hussein can be stopped before he does more damage.

by Robert Jacobs

#### JUNIOR G.I.

**E**veryone at Northeast has an everyone acts on their beliefs. DeAnna Preston, junior, joined the Army Reserves on January 17,1991. Instead of being afraid of fighting a war, she is taking a very aggressive step in keeping peace and freedom.

"I considered joining for a long time. I wanted to join the Air Force but I was only 16. But that's what put the idea into my head," DeAnna said. Most people would drop that dream or at least, put off joining until after the war. But not this strong willed young woman. DeAnna signed up for the reserves the day after fighting erupted in the Middle East. "It just so happened I joined on that day. I could have still chickened out, but I was enticed even more," she explained.

DeAnna believes strongly in the U.S.'s involvement in the Gulf. "If Bush says go over, then you should go over. He's the boss!", she said. Women currently are not allowed on the battlefield but DeAnna would have no trouble being on the front lines.

This Northeast junior has taken a big step in her future and proved that you are not too young to make a difference.

by Maria Bruscato



igarettes, car exhausts, alcoholic beverages, and hair spray are things we could live without. Unfortunately many people are not willing to give up these small pleasures in order to clean up our environment. Our planet is deteriorating at very rapid pace due to these environmental hazards, but the people of the 90's still haven't got the message. The message is this: We have one world and we're killing it bit by bit.

Pollution from vehicular exhausts and factories floats through the air with and effective range of 1,129 miles of the source. What this does to wildlife is horrible. The birds are forced to fly through this pollution and soon become sick and die. If this is enough to kill the animals, imagine what it is doing to our systems. Human beings are not exempt from breathing this smoke and becoming ill. There are ways to cut back on air pollution, even though we cannot get rid of it completely. People can car-pool, take the bus, and even walk to their destinations. Buildings that are emitting vast amounts of air pollution can be stopped if enough citizens stand up and let them know it is wrong.

Alcohol and smoking are also hazardous to the environment, but in different ways. Instead of killing trees and wildlife, they are killing people, our most valued and needed

# POLLUTION

## ALCOHOL

## UV RAYS

resource. When individuals are high on drugs or alcohol they lose their sense of judgement and become a serious threat to everyone and everything around them. Alcohol can ruin the liver as well as poison the system, while smoking can cause cancer and /or birth defects.

Ultraviolet radiation, through sunlight, is increasing because of the destruction of the ozone layer from aerosol propellants. Overexposure to these dangerous rays can cause skin cancer. Alternative propellants and methods are available now. Nonpolluting propellants and the simple pump hair spray require small changes in lifestyle but will result in large and noticible differences in the environment.

Detoxification of our planet is not "too hard" or "a waste of time." It's not expensive or time consuming to recycle . In fact recycling would save money and give important elements back to the environment. If everyone made a **SMALL** effort to help keep the environment clean and safe , for ourselves and future generations, then major changes for the better will take place. This is the only world we have and it is up to all of us to make sure it is still around in the future.

by Maria Bruscato



#### DATING

M ost people believe dating is nothing more than taking someone out for a good time. Unfortunately, it's more complicated than that. Everyone has their own idea about what a date is. Many dates include dinner at a nice restaurant, a movie, or dancing. Sometimes dates lead to other things but not always.

There are many restaurants around Kansas City that are perfect to take dates. If Italian food is what you crave, then try Jennies, The Spagetti Factory, the Olive Gardens, or The Italian Gardens. All these places have romantic settings and excellent food. There are also plenty of Chinese restaurants with romantic atmospheres. Some of these places are : The Golden Dragon, Princess Gardens, and the House of Toy. If Mexican is what you desire, then try Don Chilito's Mexican Restaurant or perhaps Manny's Restaurante Mexicano.

After dinner some people enjoy going to a movie. There are quite a few good movies playing now. If you like suspense and drama try "Silence of the Lambs" or "Sleeping with the Enemy." If action is what you seek, then check out "New Jack City." There are many other movies to choose from, even foreign films.

The dancing crowd has many places to choose from in the Greater KC area. There are too many dance clubs that play a variety of music to name, so pick the one best suited to your taste. Pogo's and Star's are two that seem to be popular.

Some dates end with a kiss or not even that, but if they lead to other things then ??? Don't force it! Remember, they don't owe you anything.

by Robert Jacobs

#### DO'S AND DON'TS

#### DO

#### DON'T

#### Girls:

"Be Polite" "Treat them (boys) how you want to be treated" "Be interesting"

#### Boy's:

"Try to surprise your date" "Treat your date nicely" "If you ask a person out, then you should pay"

#### Girls:

"Do not lead boys on" "Don't put make-up on at the dinner table"

"Don't make rude gestures or comments"

"Don't act conceited"

#### Boys:

"Never discuss past relationships"

- "No public affection"
- "Don't be rude"
- "Don't be overly jealous"

"Don't talk about other women when you are with a date"



"What will your girlfriend think, Kevin?"



"Is this a good pose?"

## **STUDENT QUOTES**

"Let them kiss if they want to kiss. They should be able to.'

"It's dumb because they're going to do it anyway."

"I think they should be able to (kiss) in between classes unless it makes them late."

"I don't think kissing should be done in hallways."

"I don't pay attention unless it's overdone.'

'It doesn't look good to kiss but a peck should be OK.'

'Teachers let it (the kiss) happen inuway."

the line '

"I ignore it unless it is distracting."

"I didn't even know there was a rule like that until now."

"Do it if you want to."

"You should be able to express your feelings to a certain point."

"If you don't want to watch, just/ look away."

"If you're not slobbering all over each other, a quick kiss is OK. After all, teachers up here have relationships."

#### The "Kissing Rule" That Didn't Exist?

"Twenty seconds is where I draw M ost students this year were under the line." rule about displaying affection in the

vicinity of the school. This "Kissing Rule" proved to be false and was not formally in effect this vear. However, it was understood by both the faculty and students that there was a rule.

The "Kissing Rule" was started and enforced two years ago. The administration started this because of complaints from teachers and students that a few couples were beingoverly affectionate in obvious places. It was made temporarily, but this year where is no written rule. A few couples are still being sent to the office for being "overly" affectionate. When Mr. Brown was asked where he drew th line for being too affectionate he stated, "It's like the rule pertaining to shorts. How short is short?" In other words, there were no set guidelines, other than the judgement of the principal and viceprincipal.

What happens to these people taken to the office for being "overly" affectionate? According to Mrs. Clark, they are counseled by herself and the counselors. If the offending couples are still a problem, their parents are called. If it persists they are dealt with individually.

Although there is not any written rule about displaying affection, both students and faculty acknowledge that is unacceptable behavior. Fortunatly, affection wasn't a problem this year and it didn't need to be reinstated.

by Christina Echavarria

"What would Ms. Reichart say about this?"

## CENSORSHIP

Who has the right to say what is appropriate to write, speak, or publish? In every area of our country, even in our schools, there is censorship. Censorship is the act of prohibiting or removing material from a film, video, recording, or publication, because of obscene, libelous, or politically objectionable material.

One of the main political topics of censorship is the Rap group, 2-

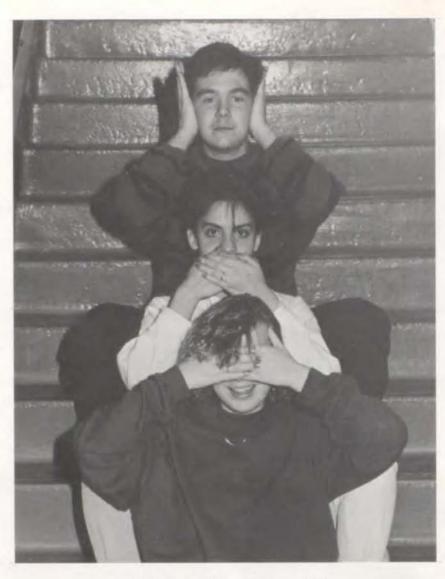
Live Crew. The case is about the group not being able to sing or perform their songs because they were found to be obscenelby the Broward County, Florida, officials.

Who should be able to decide what they can or cannot sing? Susan Sitton responded by saying, "I don't think albums should be censored. You have the choice to buy what you like to listen to."

Although censorship is a violation of our first amendment rights, some people still support it. Censorship in schools is not uncommon. At Northeast, students are limited to a conservative wardrobe. Short skirts and shorts, hats, and T-shirts with obscene messages or pictures are some of the taboo items. Teachers are encouraged to dress professionally and set a good example for students. Also, any pictures or writing to be published in the school newsletter or yearbook must be okayed by advisors.

A particular picture not allowed in the yearbook was a shot of a sophomore holding a box of tampons. Yearbook advisor Glenn Spillman stated, "It was in poor taste." Junior Myron Dixon said, "I think they should have censorship in the school, but there's got to be a limit to the amount of censorship applied to the way people speak and act, especially in school."

by Denise Vigil



"What was that about evil?"

## STUDENT QUOTES

"(It's the) parents responsibility to teach the kids."

"If a person wants their natural body to show--then do it!"

"Drop knowledge of real life. Teach the kids right from wrong."

"Even though we have freedom of speech we need it (censorship). If not, people would get away with anything." "Don't try and hide things that happen in school."

"If it's not at home it's in the street when she grows up she'll decide for herself."

"Once they start censoring one group of people then that gives them the right to censor all kinds of different groups. No one has the right to tell me what to say."



"There's something I have to tell you."

#### AIDS, in the open.

I.D.S.. Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome is a disease that teenagers feel could never affect them. AIDS is seen as an adult disease that only homosexuals or drug addicts can contract Unfortunately, we are finding out all too well how close to home AIDS is.

This fatal disease was brought to our attention by a very enlightening play put on by first year drama students. Mike Gray, Michael Grogan, Natonya Cullers, and Stacia Simsheuser gave exception ally good performances as high school students who lose their best friend to AIDS.

Their goal was to bring AIDS out into the open and make everyone realize how dangerous it is to not take special care of yourself and your loved ones. The '90's are proving to be a decade of awareness and we are proving how responsible and sensible we can be in these times.

by Maria Bruscato

"A teenager has so many problems anyway. To know society rejects you makes the bottom fall out of these kid's world."

Robert Deisher, Head of the Adolescent Medicine Clinic at the Child Development Center, University of Washington.



"Will the owner of the orange hoopty, please move their car?"



"I never thought it could happen to me."

#### Multicultural Peace

#### and Unity

N ortheast is a school whose Students turn the other cheek. Yes, we do have many different races at this school and this helps us learn how to work with people from different cultures.

We have all kinds of different cultures at Northeast. We have African-Americans, Native-Americans, and Asian-Americans. This helps us learn more about others. We do not have to travel great distances to see other cultures. They are right here. All the races at Northeast work together, and learn together. Each teaches the other about his or her culture and they share some of their differences. We are not ashamed of who we are. We want to share with others and others want to learn from us.

The teachers and staffare from different cultures as well. This does not lessen their teaching ability but permits them to use many different teaching styles. They do not dislike each other but instead, they work together to present and solve different problems with their students. Many teachers learn about other teachers cultures and that sets a good example for the students to follow.

Some of the students belong to racially divided gangs outside of school. This, however, does not have any bearing on the student body. The races all come together in the different classes and after school activities. In Youth Court, they learn how to defend people of all races by standing up for rights guarenteed by the Copnstitution. In the military, all different races march together in the Color Guard and Drill Team. They learn how to defend their country, America, together.

The students at Northeast work together. They learn together. They play together. They achieve together. The teachers teach together. No matter what race they are, they all come together in unity at Northeast.

by Chara Plumb



"Hey, come here!" yells Michelle Walters, while Maria Mendez tells Nikki Elkins the latest news.



Princess, Nicole Webb struttin' her stuff while being escorted by Alfred Tatum.



"This food tastes soooo nasty!"



ROTC BALL

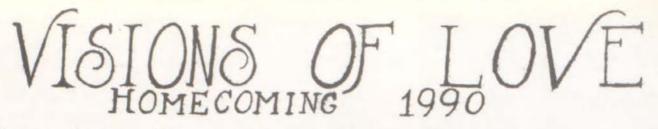
Katie showing her pearly whites with her escort Marlon Reed.



"Katie is just lucky I didn't run for Queen!"



"Do you want some?"



T he climax of the 1990 Homecoming Dance, "Visions of Love", was the announcement of

our Homecoming King and Queen, Mark Crawford and Jocelyn Jordan. Selected as their royal court were Juniors, Eric Adkins and Anna Butler; Sophomores Kieth Walters and Jennifer Abbott; and Freshmen Chad Harrington and Charmayne Burns.

by Maria Bruscato



"Lets do it!"



"Cheezin' Big-King Mark Crawford and Queen Jocelyn Jordan"



"I won! - Jocelyn Jordan, Anna Butler, Mark Crawford, Eric Adkins, Kieth Walters, and Jennifer Abbott.



"How come no one ever asks us to dance?"

# The Skies The Limit 1991



"Do we look good-or what?!?"

T he 3rd annual Courtwarming was held at the Holiday Inn. The theme was "The Skies the Limit" and Nor'easters had no limit of fun that night.

The DJ heated up the dance floor with the sounds of Babyface and Janet Jackson and eating the delecacies that were served was definitley a highlight. The Courtwarming candidates were introduced and were announced at the game the following Wednesday. They are: Queen, Shaneka Moore; Queen's Attendant, Janezce Carter; Junior Princess, Jamishia Johnson; Sophomore Princess, Asha Sadarangani; Freshman Princess, Tiffany Osbourne. Although Stu-Co expected a bigger crowd, the group that was there had fun and the dance turned out great.

by Nikita Thompson



"Get it girlfriend"



"Wake me up when it's over."



"Will this be in GQ?"



"I would dance with Sharon and RaDona."



"Strawstack's masterpiece."

Favorite Entertainer: Eddie Murphy Sinbad MC Hammer

Best movie: Ghost

Worst movie: Popcorn

Best actor-movies: Jean Claude Van Damme Worst actor-movies: Pee Wee Herman

Best actress-movies: Julia Roberts

Worst actress-movies: Madonna

Best movie couple: Patrick Swayze and Demi Moore

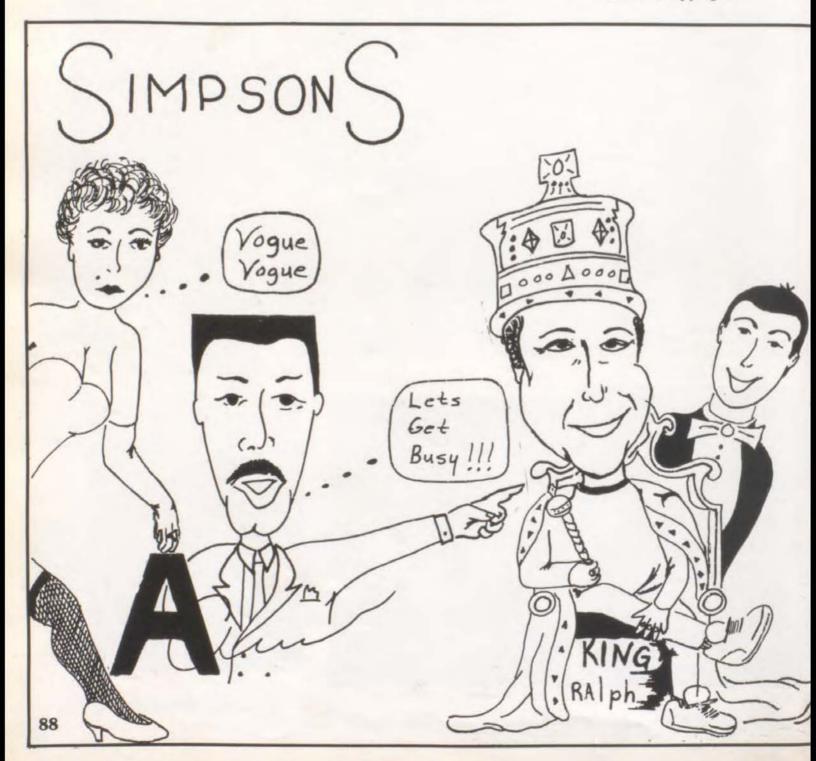
Worst movie couple: Patrick Swayze and Jennifer Grey Best T.V. series: Fresh Prince of Bel-air Simpsons

Worst T.V. series: Get a Life

Best actor-T.V.: Will Smith

Worst actor-T.V.: Chris Elliot

Best actress-T.V.: Christina Applegate



Worst actress-T.V.: Roseanne Barr

Best T.V. couple: Marge and Homer Simpson

Worst T.V. couple: Roseanne Barr and John Goodman

Best late night talk show: Arsenio Hall Show

Best day time talk show: Oprah Hottest actor: Arnold Swartzenegger Patrick Swayze Mel Gibson

Hottest actress: Christina Applegate

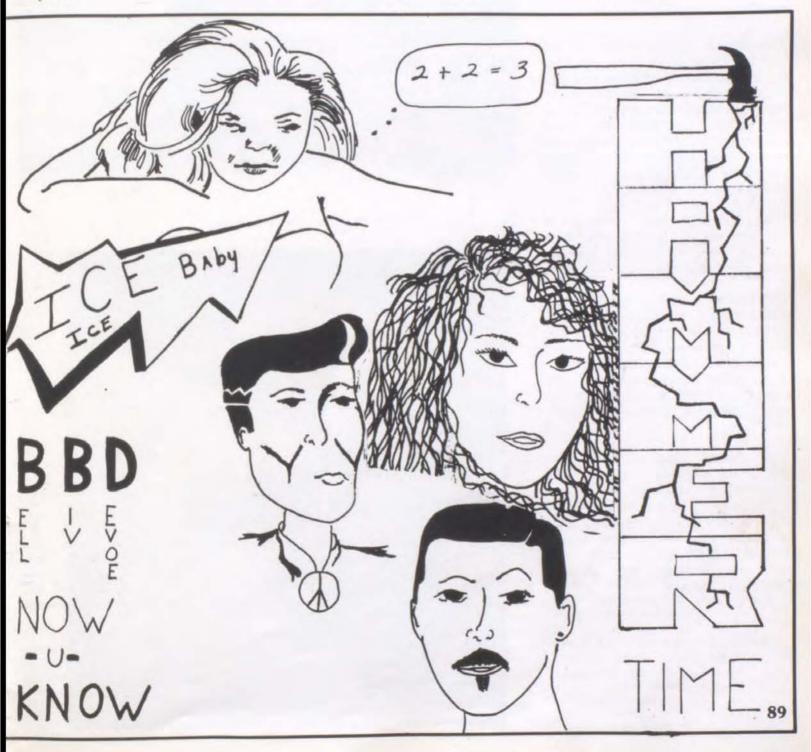
Best music group: Bel Biv DeVoe

Worst music group: New Kids On The Block Best music video: When I'll see you smile again

Best singer-male: Johnny Gill Keith Sweat

Best singer-female: Mahria Carey

Best Album: Bel Biv DeVoe Please Hammer Don't Hurt 'em To The Extreme



#### FREE AT LAST

**D** ull, indiscriminate tones sound the beginning of a race against time. People push and shove to leave rooms and collide with others in a mad rush to be free, The race is also a test of the fittest. A test to see who can survive or to see who will be swept away in a sea of people. Most of the participants can be compared to barbarians, they run around, knocking each other down, screaming and yelling in a chaotic frenzy.

The doors at the front of the building burst open, students pour out in a seemingly never ending flow of bodies and faces. Most stop and talk to one another, relieved to be free of their imprisonment. After talking awhile, the students disperse and go their seperate ways. Some disappear into big yellow buses which take them home.

The hallways and classrooms become silent. Announcements can be heard echoing through the near silent building.

The library is filling with teachers gathering for a meeting with Mr. Brown, who is running late. As they wait, they discuss topics that many students wouldn't even talk about. The topics range from the way pigeon-toed people walk to vacation spots and what to do with left-over food.

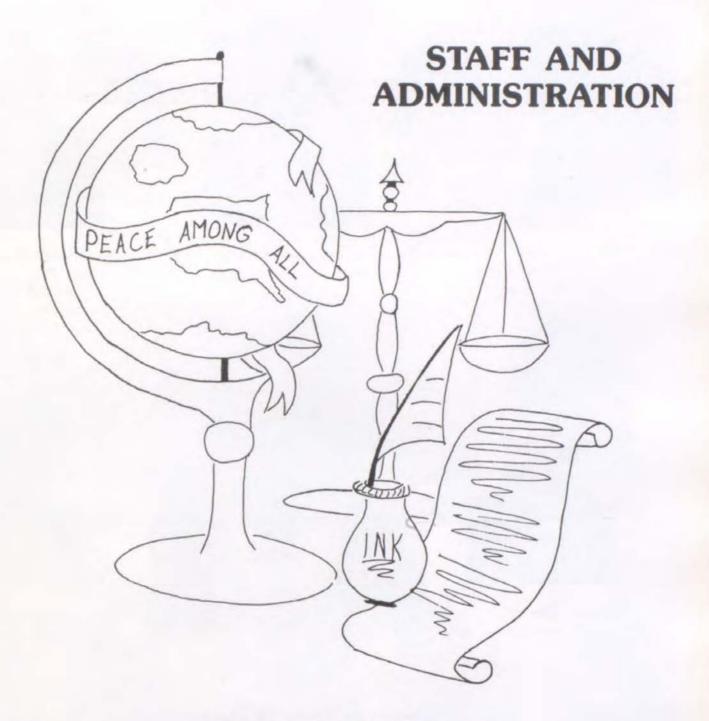
Even though most students have left for the day, a few remain. One student is in the library, working on a computer. The law section of the library has been plunged into darkness---as will the rest of the school later on.

by Robert Jacobs



"Good-bye and good riddance!"





#### A DYNAMIC STAFF

**T** he administration of Northeast has shown dedication and interest in students in hopes of creating successful and productive citizens. The teachers, counselors, and other staff have put forth many efforts to educate students academically as well as personally.

Colonal James M. Harrison, program administrator of the military science department, feels that it is important to help students succeed by encouraging them to take advantage of the facilities available at Northeast. "We have a very good school here," said Col. Harrison. "We have excellent facilities, and the school setting is conductive to learning."

Although all of Northeast's staff feels that a well-rounded education should be a top priority, most say that it is also important to help students succeed on a personal level.

Mr. Dwane Kelly, who has been teaching at Northeast for 29 years, said, "One of my goals is to help students become better able to cope with the real world after high school."

Mrs. Rosanna Don Carlos, a science teacher of 26 years at N.E. claims that it is a great place to teach. "I've always loved Northeast. We have some of the best students in the city!"

We'd like to thank the administration of N.E. for their help and confidence. We appreciate all of you.

by Giovanna Santora



Carl Evans, Program Administrator, Law/Public Service



Col. James Harrison, Program Administrator, Military



Alex Kornfeld, Curriculum Coordinator, Law/Public Service



James Campbell, Ass't Principal



Stephen Brown, Jr., Principal



Ernestine Clark, Ass't Principal



Col. Harry Messenger, Curriculum Coordinator, Military



Beverly Reeves, Instructional Coordinator



Ann Alvarez Fine Arts



Brenda Beattie Resource Teacher



Col. James Berry R.O.T.C.



Paula Betts Business



Karen Birgam Teacher



David Blakely, Jr. Science



I saw that!!



Jayne Blakely Math



Mary Bolhassan Language



Chester Boyd, Jr. Fine Arts



Diane Bradford Specials



Damon Caple Practical Arts



Kathleen Capotosto English



James Carmichael Transition



Michael Chu Social Studies



Diana Coffman Business



Who is this??



Eddie Connor English



Ray Cook Science



David Day Social Studies



Rosanna DonCarlos Science



Alicia Elliott Language



William Fink Social Studies



Ann Ingram-Ford Business



You did what??



Gilbert Frazey Transition



Leigh Freeman English



Teresa Gilyard Fine Arts



Raymond Gladney Industrial Arts



Norman Grey Language



Gary Grundmeier Transition



Verna Lowe-Guido ISS Teacher



Charles Harris Science



Linda Harris English



Richard Haskell Physical Education



Miriam Hattery Math



Kara Hawthorne Math



Clem Hollingsworth Math



James Housel Fine Arts



Harold Hudson Specials





Chris Huehnergarth Social Studies



Evelyn Hunt Social Studies



Louise Abner-Jackson, English



Wendy Keith Transition



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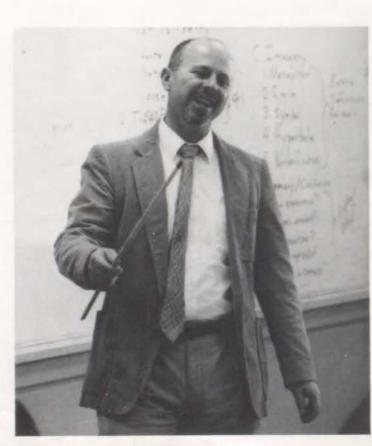
Alice Love Social Studies



Rita Mabin Physical Education



Carol Mahieu English



Don't argue with BIG DADDY!!



Reginald May Fine Arts



Richard Mayson Social Studies



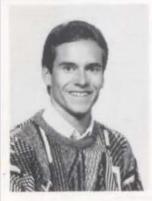
Martha McCoy Math



Sharon McIntosh Reading



Lydia Mercer English



Reynold Middleton Math



Elaine Miller Practical Arts



Sgt. Welbon Monroe R.O.T.C.



Manual Morris Specials



Carol Myers, English



Scot Parish, Social Studies



Calvin Nelson, Science



Dorothy Perkins Math





Donna Phillips Social Studies



Helen Pitts Business



Lowell Premer English



Judith Reichart Business



Joyce Reineke Practical Arts



Danielle Risso English



Marla Tollett-Ross Specials



Sylvester Rutheford, Social Studies



Charles Sanger Science



Ron Scarbrough Science





Richard Schmidt Social Studies



Robert Scott Math

"Excuse me, what did you say?"



Thomas Shelton Social Studies



Elizabeth Small, English Trans.



Waunita Small Physical Education



Alma Jean Smith Social Studies



Glenn Spillman Fine Arts



Willard Swoffer Science



Larry Wayne Thomas Social Studies



Linda Verburg Reading



Ray Wade Specials



Col. Alton Waller, R.O.T.C. Resource



Larry Watson Math



Lavera White, English Resource



Sgt. Edward Wickman Joseph Williams R.O.T.C. Math





Beverly Wright Language



Vernell Young Business



Barbara Zapata ESL Aide

## **Teachers In Action**





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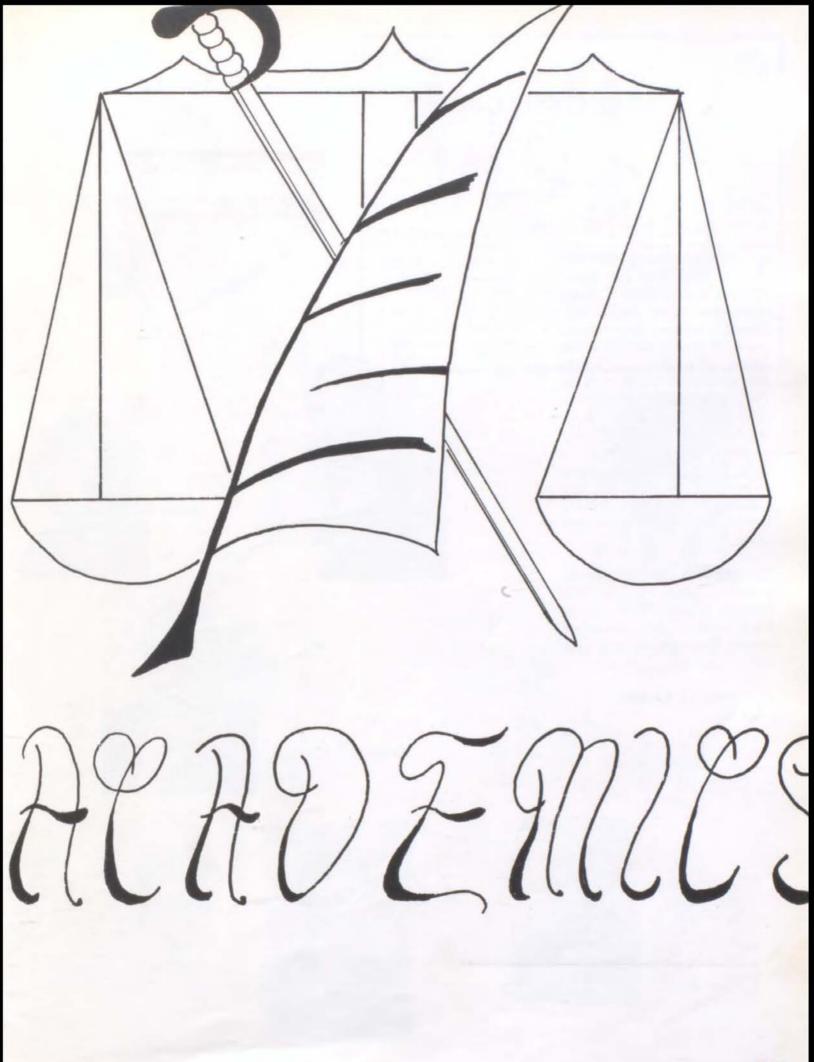
Uh ... do you get the point?





Isn't this the Pitts??

History does repeat itself. I'll see you again next year.



#### COUNSELORS

he counselors at Northeast do more than just enroll students in their classes. In the counselors myriad duties, they change schedules, help students apply for college, give out scholarship information, and help with choosing the right college. They are also there if someone just needs to talk. The counselors don't just do their job; they go above and beyond the call of duty. They do this by being sponsors of various clubs and organizations such as S.A.D.D., Natural Helpers, Explorers, and Lulac.

The counselors at Northeast do more than expected. They help students organize and prepare for the future. The counselors here at Northeast are really special.

by Christina Echavarria

Judith Morgan



Walter Zuber



Cozeene Triplett



Suzanne Fisher













Sheila Jackson



Jackie Etier



Rosemary Lentell



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Gailya Collins



Violet Sayler

## THE QUALITY CARE CLINIC



Sharon Bobb Medical Ass.



Blanche McWilliams Nurse



Gay Sharlou Counselor



Bonnie Jones Counselor



Cathy Getty Case Manager/Health Track

The Quality Care Clinic is located on the third floor. It is open from 7:30 AM until 3:30 PM, Monday thru Friday. The cost to join the clinic is \$5.00 for one year's services which include health assessment, physicals,OB/GYN, dental, and health risk screening.

The Clinic does lab tests for numerous problems such as Sickle Cell Anemia, Hemocrit, routine blood work, throat cultures, urine testing, pregnancy, tests for sexually transmitted diseases, Pap smears, Diabetes, and cholesteral.

The services are provided to all members by a highly trained staff. A pediatrition, clinical nurse specialist, OB-GYN, nutritionist, and medical assistant provide professional care and a counselor is available to help students with personal problems.

The goals and objectives of the clinic are to provide early detection and treatment of conditions and illnesses; to motivate teenagers to adopt healthy lifestyles and discard risk taking behaviors; and, to teach adolescents how to use the health care system appropriately and effectively.

"We, the Clinic Staff, would like the student body to know that our clinic is not used for the single reason of family planning." The clinic helps students with any problems (medical) they may have.

## LIBRARY

#### NEED A PLACE TO STUDY?

**T** he Northeast Library offers many resources such as a law library, production center, and an assortment of printed and non-printed materials. If a student needs supplies they can buy them in the library.

A variety of equipment such as microfiche and newsbank along with typewriters, computers, and bookmaking equipment is available in the production center. Knowledge of the equipment is not a prerequisite because there is an experienced library staff to aid you. The computers have several useful programs such as printmaster and word processing which is very helpful to the students.

Students in law classes find the law library the most useful. The Law-Field Study classes use the library often when preparing for mock-trials.

The rest of the library has printed and non-printed materials for the general use of the student body. Books, Magazines, and newspapers may be checked out by students if they have a library card.

The media center sells school supplies on a not-for-profit, cost only basis. This year, during the month of February, the library offered "Food for Fines" for students who owed money for overdue books. They brought non-perishable items and their fines were relinquished. The library then donated the items to charity.

The Media Center has many plans for next year which includes a computer card catalog and encyclopedias on disks. The librarians feel it is better for students to be able to access information than remember it. A future goal is to get more students to do this.



Mary Shonkwiler Resource Teacher Law/Public Service



Susan Knight Resource Teacher Military



Roberta Heinz



Bettye Smith



LIBRARY AIDES Front row: Chau Nguyen, Leyana Stanford, Angela Perry, Marlene Boyd. Back row: Shaneka Moore, Leticia Zarate, Anna Kankey. Not Pictured: Thuy Tran, Denise Scott, Rene Ramphal, Marlon Reed

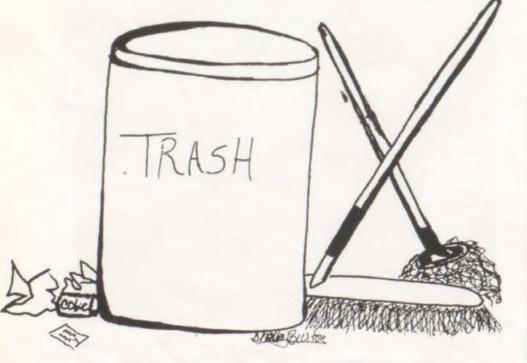
#### **Maintenance** Crew



Front - left to right: Gerri McCarty, Becky Swearinger. Back - left to right: Barbara Spindle, Gary Coeing



From left to right: Fred Ridinger, Steven Grounds



Night person: Jan Bradley



## CAFETERIA



Front Row, Left to Right: Leota Ritter, Alicia Piper, Charlesetta Gilliespie, Margaret Lalla; Back Row, Left to Right: Mary Singleton, Peggy Hiles, Freda Farnsworth, Marie Barella

SECURITY



Left to Right; Louis Frazer, Dolores Parr, Lemual Harris



## THE TOP OF THE HEAP

#### **TIED FOR FIRST**

Before I even sat down with Teresa Tran, she told me "I didn't bribe anybody, I didn't kill anybody, and I didn't blackmail anybody to get my 4.0." Teresa is one of the top five students in the Freshman Class, all of which agree that it is important to get good grades. All five studendts have an impressive perfect 4.0 grade point average.

When asked if they consider their classes hard, three out of the five replied no. Jennifer Hill said that she took the hardest classes she could, but they're easy. Teresa Tran agreed that the classes are "pretty easy" but mentioned that

she hates biology.

Although these students are young, two of them are already sure of what they want to be. Hill and Tran want to become lawyers. Jennifer is moving, but Teresa plans to stay at Northeast to take advantage of the law classes that are available.

Another student that is moving away is Binh Phung. His favorite subjects are math and science, but I think he would much prefer playing basketball or video games. His friend, Hour Meng, also likes to play video games. Hour said that he studied hard to get straight A's, but he still watches a lot of TV.

Thanh Nguyen is another student that has to stydy. Thanh has to take ESL for two hours because of a language problem. He enjoys ESL and math and hopes to continue making good grades.

by Nikki Elkins

#### FRESHMAN



From Left to Right: Thanh Mguyen, Hour Meng, Binh Phung, Teresa Tran, Jennifer Hill

> **A** t the top of the Sophomore Class are Alisha Gambino and Tonya Hankins. Jerimy Brimmage is second and Latonia Cage is tied with Deuandara Sysavath for third.

Their academic achievements are more for self satisfaction than for public praise. However, the challenge of competing for Valedictorian is exciting.

Our top five plan to attend college and serve the public in various professions. Alisha hopes to become a commercial artist, Tonya hopes to become a lawyer, and Jerimy will better the world by joining the Peace Corps. Latonya would like to become a business manager or possibly a CPA, and finally, Deuandara hopes to practice medicine.

Undoubtedly, these students will achieve the goals they have set for themselves.

#### SOPHOMORES



From left to right: Alishia Gambino, Deuandara Sysavath, Tanya Hankins, Jerimy Brimmage

#### JUNIORS



Front Row, From Left to Right: Melissa Smith, Dung Dang, Chheng Meng Back Row, From Left to Right: Candace Lindsey

**H** ave you ever wondered what it would be like to be at the top of your class? The top five juniors, Class of '92, all share some of the same experiences of getting to the top.

"I always tried to be the best I could be in school. I always tried for the "A". School's an escape from home," was the response from Melissa Smith. How did you achieve being one of the top students in the Junior Class? Anna Butler responded "I study and I don't give up. Anything is possible." Candace Lindsey and Chheng Meng (both top-fivers) agree that studying, doing homework, and participating in class are all part of getting good grades.

Melissa Smith and Dung Dang say they listen and study in class; although, Dung says, "I don't do homework."

When students do as well as these five, you have to wonder exactly what inspired them to be so exceptional. Candace Lindsey says that her role model is her grandfather. She said if she didn't do well he would kick her butt." Anna Butler feels like she's a role model for her little sister. She says her mother pushes her to do her best, but it's her own personal goal to succeed. Dung Dang and Chheng Meng feel very proud while Candace Lindsey feels normal!

There is a lot in store for these students. Chheng wants to go to college and become a computer programmer or maybe a scientist. Melissa Smith wants to be a registered nurse and Anna Butler wants to be a doctor. Dung Dang is still undecided but the sky's the limit for all of them.

by Denise Vigil

A s graduation approaches, we must take time to acknowledge five individuals in the Senior Class. These seniors have maintained a high grade point average and they've shown excellence in their work.

Top student Thuy Tran replied proudly, "Being in the top 5 helped me to be recognized by colleges, but it doesn't ensure that I will be successful."

"I'm proud of myself. I expected to be in the top 10% but never the top five," said Grace Brancato. Grace ranks second in the class. She owes her triumph to herself because she works hard and it shows.

When asked what reward is expected for hard work, Marisela Guillen answered, "I would like to live a comfortable and rewarding life." Marisela is third in the class.

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Mao Vath, number four, is hard working and very determined. "It's like I try to keep my grades up and I try harder and harder. Everytime I see my grades, I just want to do better," says Mao.

Mark Crawford, fifth, states, "Selfmotivation, a vision for success, and family support have been my main inspiration." Mark has several goals and the only way for them to come true is through determination and hard work.

These seniors are truly special and deserve recognition for their achievements.

by Kim Nguyen



Front Row, Left to Right: Thuy Tran, Grace Brancato, Second Row, Left to Right: Marisela Guillen, Mark Crawford, Maq Vath

## **COLLEGE COURSES**



AMERICAN HISTORY 101/102

Front row from left to right: Maria Mendez, Thuy Tran, Reginald Blake, Leticia Zarate, Second row: Angela Lord, Grace Brancato, Michelle Higgins, Nikita Thompson, Mark Crawford, Marisela Guillen, Third row: Quentin Harris, Ronnie Cravens, Teacher: Evelyn Hunt

## ENGLISH 101/102



Daphne Ford, Teacher: Louise Abner-Jackson, Nikita Thompson

he college courses available at Northeast offer an opportunity to receive free college credit and get a taste of college life. Seniors, who pass the Calculus Readiness test, are qualified to go to the Math and Physics Institute. At the institute, the students take calculus and advanced physics. These courses are taught through lectures, labs, and problem solving sessions. Every other week, the institute provides a speaker on particular topics such as civil engineering or lasers. The institute gives the students a chance to get away from the everyday school routine. They meet students from other schools, receive 8 hours of college credit, and are given a chance to do things they normally wouldn't be able to do.

American History 101 and English 101 can also be taken at Northeast. "Although it has been hard work, the class has been fun and the teacher is wonderful. I'm glad I got it out of the way," said Grace Brancato about the history class. Nikita Thompson said, "I think that everyone should take advantage of these classes."

#### HONOR WRITERS

**T** hree seniors and three juniors were honored for their various writing skills.

Maria Bruscato, a junior, won first place in a school-wide essay contest whose theme was "Voice of Democracy." As her reward, her essay went on to district, but the results are unknown.

The other two juniors and one of the seniors participated in a district-wide essay contest on freedom. Angela Lord, a senior, Myron Dixon and Aleshia Hunter, both Juniors, wrote and competed in "Freedom: A Right or a Privilege," sponsored by the Optimist Club. They won first, second, and third places; each winning a certificate and a medal depicting their achievement: gold, silver, and bronze. Aleshia Hunter said, "The experience made me feel if I could really work hard at doing something, then I know I can succeed." Angela Lord's essay received first place and was sent on to district. The results are vet unknown.

The other seniors, Nunzio Croce and Nikki Elkins, won first and third place in an anonymously judged essay on "China: What Chance Freedom?" Nunzio received \$350.00 in prize money.

Maria Bruscato summed up the feelings of everyone by saying "It was a lot of fun to get up and talk in front of the people and have the people respond positively."

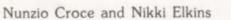
by Melissa Smith



From left to right: Angela Lord, Myron Dixon, Aleishia Hunter

Maria Bruscato

CHINA



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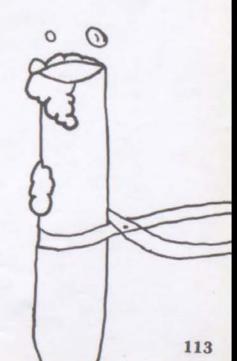
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Would you talk like that in a Buddist Temple?

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No more Photo assignments please!





SHH! I think we tapped into NASA.



No teacher, PLAY TIME!



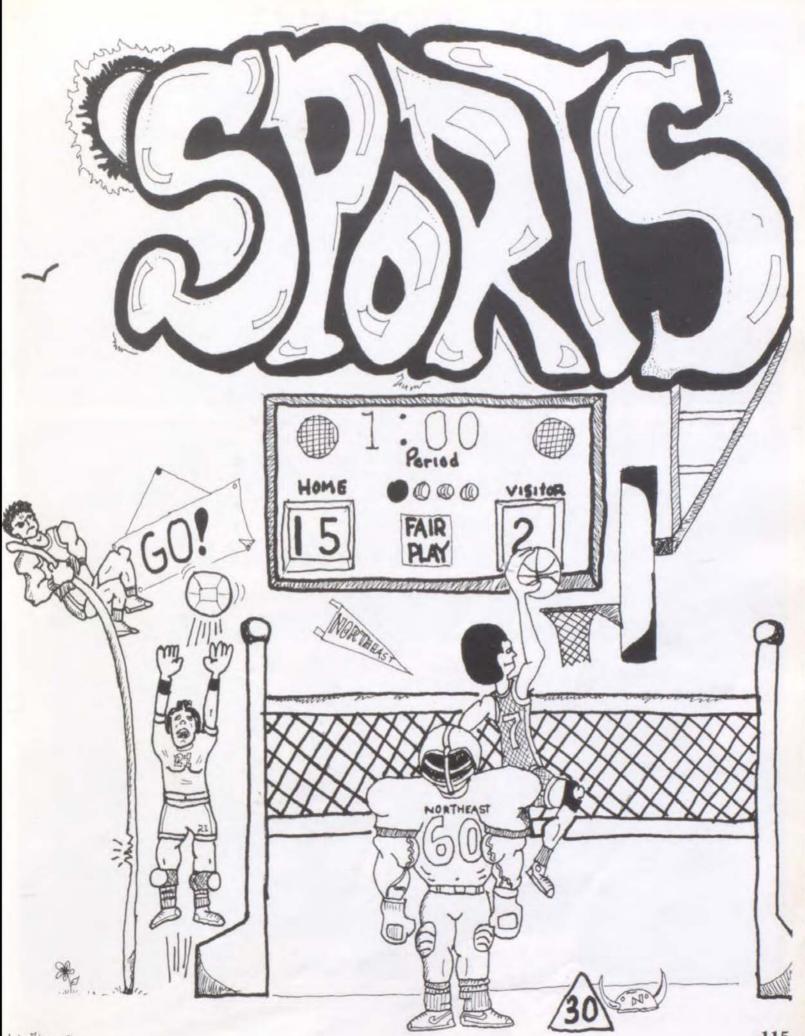
Finally an "A" paper.



I don't know the capital of Latvia.



2:20 And all's well.



# J.V. FOOTBALL



Row 1, left to right: Michael Gray, Leonard Locke, Rochard Lawrence, Michael White, John Parison Jerome Parris, Kevin York, Jesus Garcia, Anthony Adkins, Todd Remington; Row 2: Eric Adkins, Gray, David Jackson, Charles Whitebear.

Kerrsean Holland, Älfred Abernathy, Dwayne McDaniel, Victor Tavlor, Solomon Essex, Richard Zarate, Raymond Strozier, Alonzo Frazier; Row 3: Keith Martin, Tim Hall, Bernis Jackson, Phil D. Paitee. Jeff Daniels. Jason Provo. Shane Stamm. Amos Knight; Row 4: Vincent Smith. William Willis, Darryn

# **FRESHMAN FOOTBALL**



Front row, left to right: Shawn Reuscher, Edward Harris, Lymer Lane, Malord Mayo, Earnest Basinski; Back row: Lonell Boyles, Demean Ellis, Derrik Hill, Shannon Rakestraw, Shawn Stigler, Cicardy Brady.



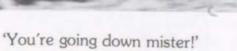
'This is my best side.'



Coach Shelton



'This isn't my idea of dancercise!'



Hey, all you crazy football fans, this year's Junior Varsity and Freshman football teams had one of their best seasons yet! J.V. finished the season with a 3 and 1 record and improved dramaticly.

The season was action packed and the talent should be able to improve individually as well as a team for next year. Good job fellas and good luck next season!





"You're going down mister!"



Coach Scroggins



'Please don't hurt me, I'm down!'
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## **1990 CROSS COUNTRY**



Front row, left to right: Coach Debbie Hertzog Cotrill Michael Forte, Chad Harrington, Neal Ashby, Justin Shellv, Jocylen Jordan; 2nd row: Kieth Walters, Khoi Du, Morris Pennington, Ron Turner, Jacob Shafer, Frank Malvan, Dwon Littlejohn, Mark Crawford; 3rd row: Tracy Nelson, William Lee, Mike Davis, Mike Smith, John Espinoza, Tim Harden, Paulo Murguia, Chris Winders, Eddie Christian, Coach Small, Coach Wade; 4th row: Jacquez Carter, Shea Edmundson, James Flippen, Anthony Miller, Patrick Brackson, Anthony Giambrone, James Gooden, John Suppes, Alfred Tatum.





A CAR AND A CARD

'And they're off!'





Alfre \_ Tatum

Mark Crawford





Anthony Giambrone

"Almost there!

THE WINNING TEAM

## VIKING CROSS COUNTRY 1990

This year's 1990 Cross Country Team came home with another Interscholastic League Championship Trophy. This was the 5th straight year for the Varsity boys to win top league honors. It was another year of a large turnout from freshman to varsity level. The total number of girls was the lowest for many years. But, as usual the team gave its all, and progressed as the season went on.

The viking team personality changes every year. 1990 proved to be a total team effort which had many leaders and an above average group of talented competitors. There wasn't a star that rose to state finalist status, mainly because the team was very young and inexperienced. The cross country distance runners and other athletes such as varsity basketball players, joined the team for conditioning and got into top physical shape, so when the season started they were ready. Debbie Hertzog Cotrill, a Northeast graduate in the 1970's, and former student at the University of Kansas assisted Coach Wade and the young team this year. Coach Debbie competed in Track/Field and Cross Country at Northeast and Kansas, and still competes today. Among other assisting coaches were Coach Waunita Small and Coach Richard Haskell, who supervised in the fitness center while the team worked out. This team coaching approach helped ready them for their meets ahead. This year's team was well supported

at Blue Valley Park by staff, alumni, and friends. The team fans were well supportive this year. I hope that nexct year's team excels and accomplishes all the goals in the years to come. So congratulations team on a year will done and especially Coach Wade for putting together such an outstnding team and working with them to be all they could be !

by Chris Johnson



"I think I'll just jog this one."





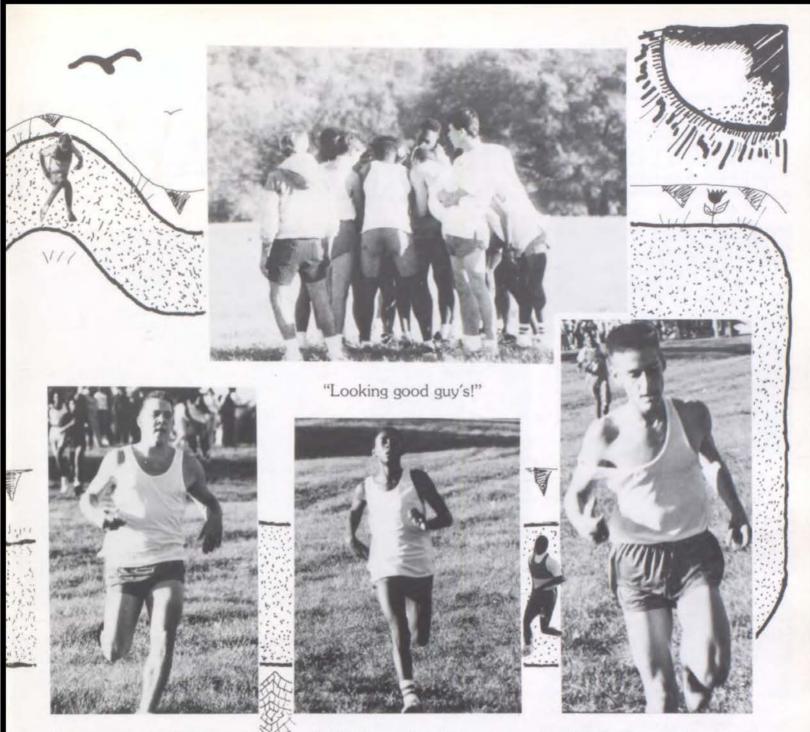
" in what place?"



"Hey, your shoe's untied."



"Would you look at all these people!"



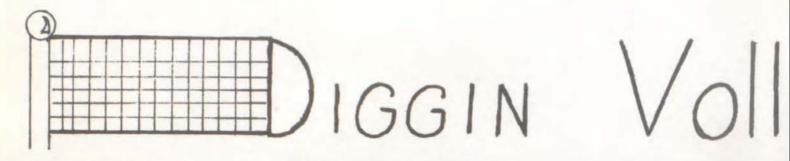
"There it is, the finish line!"

I think I can, I think I can.

"I've had it with this shirt!"



A job well done by runners from all meets.





# SUCCESS

**R** ita Mabin described her volleyball team in four words: 'mature, sacrificing, confident, and dedicated."

She is in her sixteenth year oi coaching volleyball, with eleven years at Northeast. She was chosen as Interscholastic League Coach of the Year and once again she produced a dynamite volleyball team. "The volleyball team cleaned up this year!", she says with four All Stars, four White Letter recipients, undefeated Interscholastic Champions, Interscholastic League Tournament Champions, and finished the season with a record of 14 wins and 2 losses.

Our best weapon this year was that they worked together and they put their opponents away. They were always friendly to the opponents, and they were mean on the court. They didn't give anyone a break, they took their weaknesses and used them against the. This was their year to bring it home and they did and we weren't about to let anyone stand in our way!"

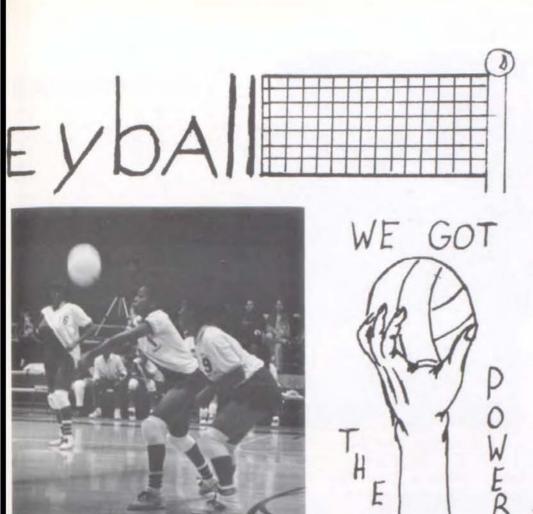


# VARSITY TEAM

Left to right: Brenda Thomas, Maria Medellin, Janecze Carter, Domela McHenry, Lanise Frye, Coach Mabin, Nikita Thompson, Amanda Gardner, Kelly Smith, Tahra Williams.

## SCOREBOARD

NORTHEAST NORTHEAST	15-5 15-6	15-4 15-4	BISHOP HOGAN EAST
NORTHEAST	15-11	15-3	SOUTHWEST
NORTHEAST	15-2	15-3	SOUTHEAST
NORTHEAST	16-14	15-2	LINCOLN
NORTHEAST	15-0	15-8	VAN HORN
NORTHEAST	15-13	15-2	<b>BISHOP HOGAN</b>
NORTHEAST	15-0	15-4	CENTRAL
NORTHFAST	15-17	13-15	EXCELSIOR SPGS





"I think I can."

"Work with me ladies. Work with me."

Mrs. Mabin says that she will miss this team of seven seniors. She comments, "The best thing about this team is the fact that they have been together for four years, have a common goal, worked hard, and wanted to do what was necessary to achieve their goals." Tdhey were all disappointed that they did not win the district games against Excelsior Springs, but the girls played their best game of the season and left a good impression of what the Interscholatic League is all about!

Mrs. Mabin would like to thank Coach Tremaine, Coach Swofford, Mrs. Verburg and the Cheerleaders, and the faculty and student ody.

## TEAMWORK

V ital assets like commitment and teamwork are the prime reasons why Northeast's volleyball team is on "cloud 9!" Our Viking Volleyball Team was the undefeated league and tournament champions this year. Our team was hard to beat under the skillful eye and training of Coach Rita Mabin.

Maria Medellin and Janecze Carter were team captains. Team members and specialties were: Kelly Smith, blocker; Lanise Fry, blocker/spiker; Amanda Gardner, blocker;Maria Medellin, setter; Janecze Carter, spiker; Tahra Williams, spiker; Nikita Thompson, setter; Brenda Thomas, setter; and Domela McHenry, setter.

How does it feel, being part of a championship team? "It feels great", says Nikita Thompson. "Its a great accomplishment when you've worked so long and so hard to reach the top and then you can actually reach no more, but stand on top!", says Kelly Smith.

by Tahra Williams

## ALLSTARS



Left to right: Tahra Williams, Amanda Gardner, Janecze Carter, Maria Medellin.

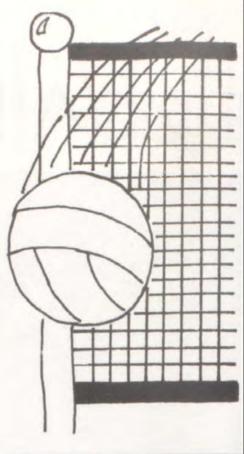
League coaches vote for players from all the teams as "All Stars" to represent the Interscholastic League. The players are judged on how they have improved, their sportsmanship, and team effort. This year, Northeast has four "All Stars".

Maria Medellin, team captain, has played four years and this is her second year as an "All Star". Maria says, "being an All Star" for two consecutive years feels good. I worked hard and gave my all to the team. As a result, I was selected as MVP of the league my junior year and MVP my senior year. I'm proud of my accomplishments. I think you can do whatever you put your mind to." Maria is a setter.

Janecze Carter, co-captain of the Vikings, has played four years and led the team in scoring for three consecutive years. The first year "All Star" says, "I feel that without my teammates, I could not have done it. It feels good to be an "All Star", because I worked hard during the season--and before the season. (My) being leading scorer has helped (me) to reach for something each year. It has helped (me) concentrate when we need points and give them to the team. Being top is not something that happens over night-you must work hard at it and it takes time, energy, and effort.

Tahra Williams, the Northeast Team MVP, has played for four years and is also a second year "All Star". Tahra says, I started my freshman year and wasn't very good; but, I recognized improvement in my junior year. It took a lot of effort and commitment, especially on my part, because I am also a cheerleader. I was happy I was picked as MVP of the Northeast Volleyball Team." "I feel that I would not have made "All Star" again if it had not been for the team", says the hitter.

Amanda Gardner, voted as the "Most Improved Player" of the Northeast Volleyball Team, has played for three years and was selected as an "All Star". "I worked so hard--at times I felt like giving up, but I knew that there was a reward at the end if I continued to strive to do my best." Gardner, who specializes in blocking, says," being voted most improved makes me feel like all that hard work was not put to waste. I feel that I should have gotten first team "All Star" over any other person from any other school: but, I am satisfied that I was recognized as an "All Star" on the second team."





"Where's the ball?"





"Why we gotta ride the bench?"

## FOUR YEAR LETTERWOMEN



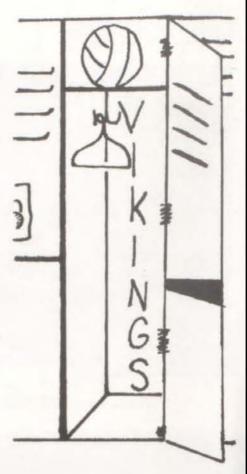


Left to right: Janecze Carter, Tahra Williams,Nikita Thompson, Maria Medellin

"I got it."

# J.V.TEAM





Center: Coach Tremaine.Left to right: Christiana Unruh, Elizabeth Tricarico, Lynda Mahoney, Chara Plumb, Gloria Zarate,Dana Watson, Monica Robinson, Suzanne Smith, Angie Ruhlman.



JUST DO IT



"Don't just stand there, help me!"



Maria Medellin



# A STAR

The ability to be a team player and be equally good at defense and offense are some of the reasons Maria Medellin has been honored as the leagues "Most Valuable Player" this year. She was the Vikings MVP last year.



Janecze Carter

#### GOING TO THE TOP

Committment, hard work, determination, and leadership are just a few qualities that have helped Senior Janecze Carter gain top honors.

She has committed herself to the volleyball team for four years and worked hard in practice enabling her to earn a four year "White Letter".

Each day at practice and at game time she has given her all to help the team to be number 1 and as a result, she is also on the All Star Squad for the Interscholastic League.

The determination to be No.1 has helped her lead the team to be undefeated League and tournament champions this year.

She has shown leadership in being co-captain of the team and leading in team scoring for the past three years. She earned 74 points her sophomore year; 121 points her junior year; and finished this year with 118 points.

She capped her accomplishments by setting a fieldhouse record in scoring 17 consecutive points.

All these qualities combined with her winning attitude have put her name in history and have allowed he her to be one of the brightest Northeast All Stars.

## VARSITY



Left to right: Chrisell Lang, Jacquez Carter, Anthony Miller, Patrick Brackson, Anthony Giambrone, Tony Richardson, Marcus Jones, Glenn Holmes, Alan McKinzie.

## J.V.



Front row, left to right: Tim Hall, Michael Forte, Jerome Parris, Antonio Buchannan; Row 2: Coach Harris, A. Byrd, Charles Whitebear, Calvin Watson, Paul Smith, Vincent Smith, Jeoffery Daniels.

# FRESHMAN



Left to right, Row 1: Howard Johnson, Kareem Love, William Kunellis; Row 2: Demean Ellis, John Suppes, Kenneth Johnson, Cicardi Brady, Brian Redmond.



OOH, I like it!



A lright now, the season has ended, the excitement is over, the fresh smell of popcorn and hotdogs is put up till next year; but, as far as basketball goes, the thrill has not ended yet. The boy's basketball teams went out and gave it all they had. Unfortunately, sometimes it wasn't enough, but they still showed a lot of talent and sportsmanship.

For some Varsity players, this is their final season as a Viking. Those players who choose will continue the skills and academic studies at many colleges. For others, this is only the beginning.

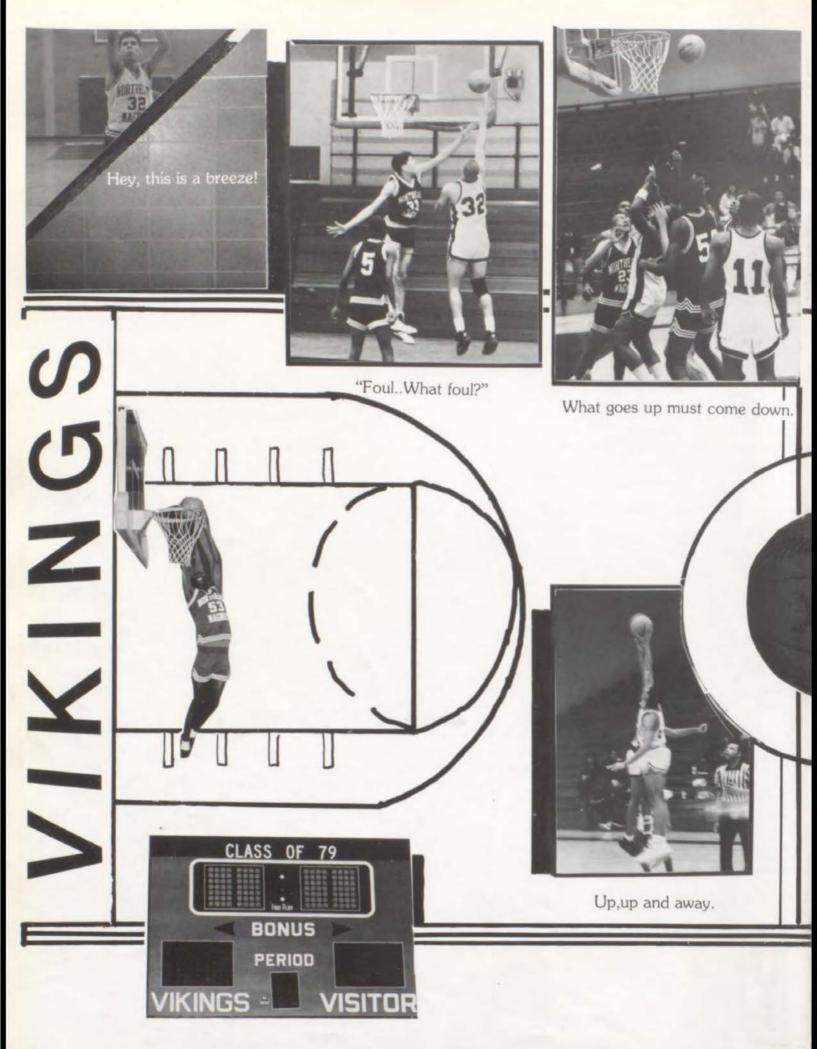
The beginning for some people is the start of their careers. The Freshman team has three more frustrating or three more victorious seasons before they can achieve the level of play expected of the varsity.

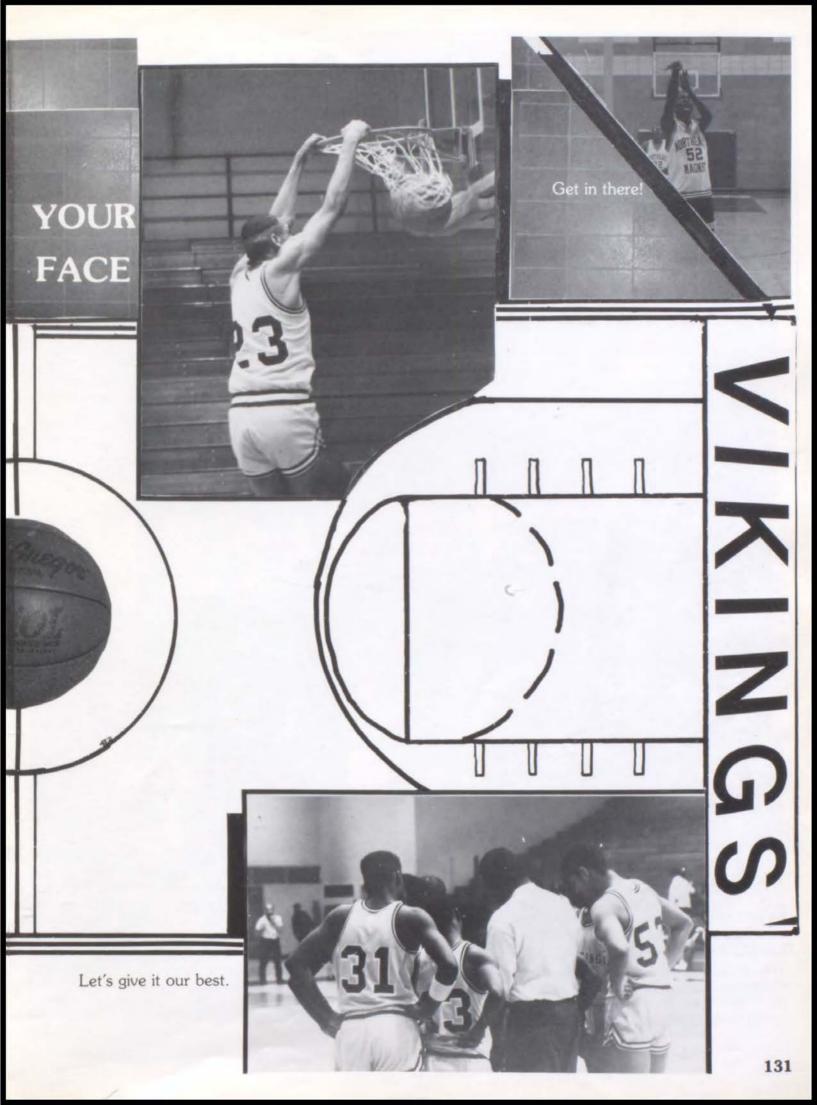
The Junior Varsity season was considered victorious with 9 wins and 5 losses and they are expected to do it again next year as the varsity squad.

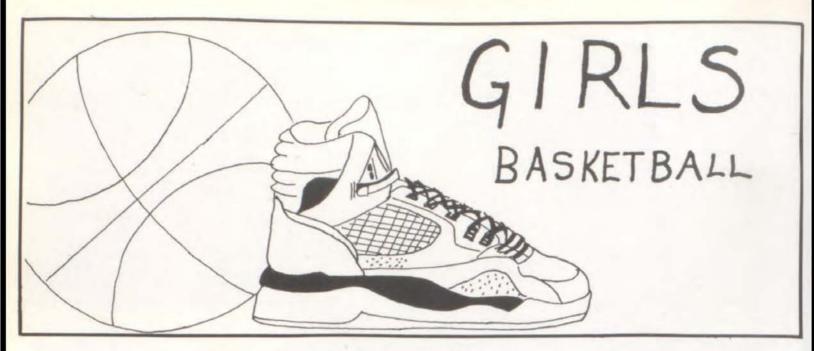
by Chris Johnson



I see you over there.







# VARSITY



Left to right: Dee Carter, Lanise Fry, Delana Powell, Amanda Gardner, Anna Butler, Janecze Carter, Maria Medellin, Monica Neal.

mpossible" was one word the girls basketball team gave a new meaning to.

This season was filled with many valleys and peaks for the ladies, but they managed to stay on top of things and come out ahead.

When the season first began, the girls were predicted to take fifth in the Interscholastic League. But, Astonishing many, the Lady Vikes finished third in the league and second in the district.

The Lady Vikes finished with an overall record of 9-14, and Coach Jamison looks forward to next season.

Coach Jamison says, "I have many returning players and two of them are starters from this year's varsity team. I believe the girls will go a step farther next year. I just want them to believe in themselves and work out this summer and we will experience success once again next year."

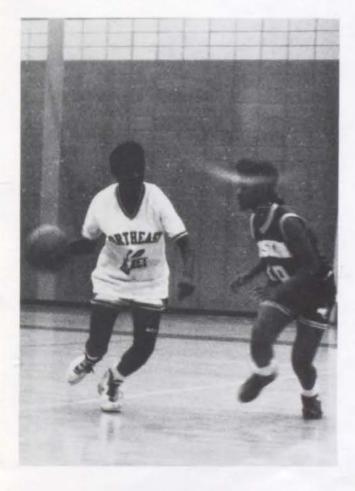
by Anna Butler



C.C. Strikes again!

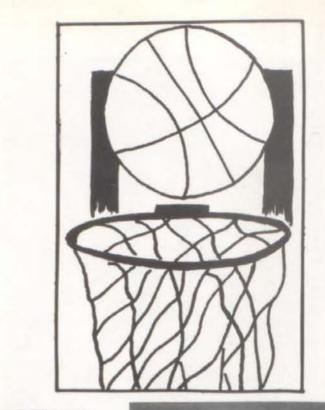


"This is my space."

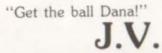




"Is it in?"





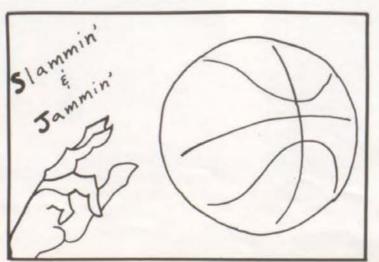




Left to right: Tonya Hankins, Dana Watson, Latrese Perkins, Carmen Meagon, Chara Plumb, Dee Carter.



Head Coach, 134 Karen Jamison





"It's two points."



"I think it should go in."



Turtle tries again!



"This is hard work."



## **TRACK AND FIELD - 1991**



Row 1, left to right: Jacob Shaeffer, Ronald Turner, Howard Johnson, Chad Harrington, Burnis Jackson; 2nd row: Frank Malvin, Paul Smith, Jeff Daniels, Keith Walters, Leonard Locke, Alex Furlo, Robert Theus, Alfred Abernathy, Alex Rodriquez, Montonio Workcuff, Mike Davis; 3rd row: Damon Crawford, Montonio Workcuff, Curtis Smith, Raymond Strozier, Anthony Adkins, Michael Smith, Alonzo Frazier, Tim Hall, Jeff Hudspeth, Tim Hardin, Chris Winders; 4th row: Anthony Giambrone, Quentin Harris, Mark Crawford, Ronnie Cravens, Khoi Du, Joe Baldin, Terry Maxville, Antwoine Steele; Back row: Coach Wade, Alfred Tatum, Johnny Morgan, Eddie Christian, Coach Middleton.



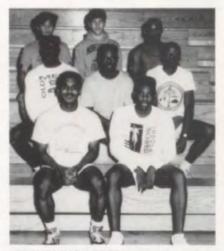
JUMPERS, front row, left to right: Ronald Turner, Khoi Du, Chad Harrington, Anthony Adkins; 2nd: Antwoine Steele, Eddie Christian, Alonzo Frazier, Jeff Hudspeth, Ronnie Cravens; 3rd row: Montonio Workcuff, Alfred Abernathy, Leonard Locke, Tim Hardin.



SPOT PUTTERS: Front, left to right: Howard Johnson, Alex Rodriquez, Alex Furlow, Burness Jackson; 2nd row: Mark Crawford, Curtis Smith, Raymond Strozier, Johnny Morgan.

#### Men's Track and Field

he 1991 Track and Field team Т will be favorites to repeat as Interscholastic League Champions. The 1990 team dominated the league by taking 1st place in the Varsity Division and 2nd in the Freshman/Sophomore Division. The team will have a tough schedule, ending with the State Championship in late May. Coach Wade said, "This will be an exciting season with many returning varsity lettermen. Some new people will step into many varsity events." As this yearbook is going to press, the team is in it's 2nd full week of practice. The first meet of the season is the Interscholastic League Developmental Meet at Southeast on March 19. On March 20, the varsity team travels to Central Missouri State University for the Mules Indoor Relays.



RETURNING LETTERMEN, Front, left to right: Mark Crawford, Tim Hardin; 2nd row: Alfred Tatum, Eddie Christian, Antwoine Steele; 3rd row: Khoi Du, Chris Winders, Johnny Morgan.



MIDDLE DISTANCE, left to right: Quentin Harris, Frank Malvin, Jeff Daniels, Mike Davis; 2nd row: Anthony Giambrone, Keith Walters, Terry Maxville, Joe Baldin.



Row 1, left to right: Vianne Robinson, Heather Minet, Wendy Lordi, Patricia Butler, Dana Watson, Carmelita Lewis; Row 2: Anna Occhipinto, Mae Lynn Pena, Chandru Daniels, Shavelle Rose, Rashawn Brown, Gracie Smith, Asha Sadarangani, Jessica Santoli, Tiffany Henderson, Fatima Jackson, Debbie Smith; Row 3: Alvonia Robinson, Tavonia Johnson, Candace Collier, Anna Butler, Delana Powell; Row 4: Maginta Young, Melissa Clemens, Tera Eason, Amanda Gardner, Latrice Johnson.

Not shown: Tahra Williams and Michelle Higgins.

#### **RETURNING RUNNERS**



Row 1, left to right: Maginta Young, Mae Lynn Pena; Row 2: Candice Collier, Anna Butlerm, Anna Occhipinto, Latrice Johnson.

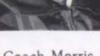




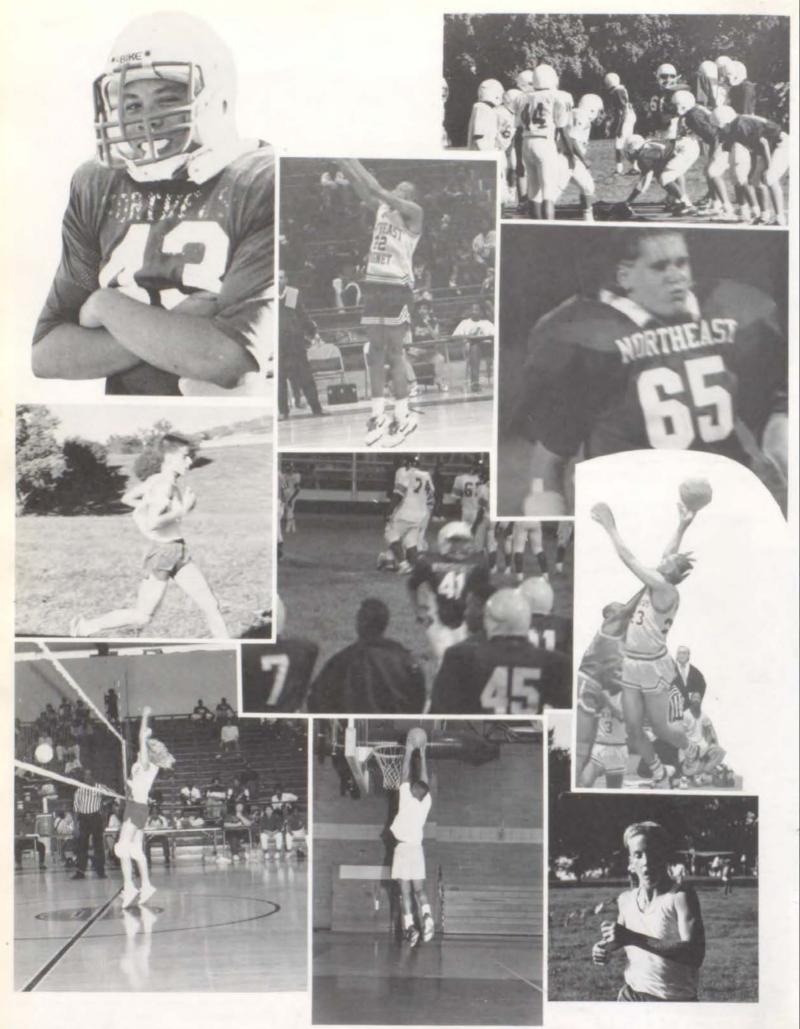
Coach Small



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## **INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAG**



Band Director, Reginald May



# **NORTHEAST MA**

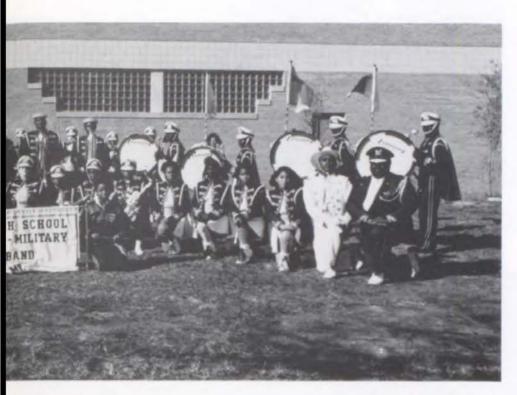


"Play it N.E.!"



"Sheila E's got nothing on these drummers!"

## **UE CHAMPIONSHIP BAND**



# **RCHING BAND**



DRUM MAJORS: Mark Crawford and Sonja Cotrel.

U nder the direction of Mr. Reginald May and Mr. Gary Thomas, the Northeast Band is "Something You Can't Touch". The band has made their mark by practicing and competing year round. "The success of this years students is the positive attitude and strong desire to be the best", said Mr. May.

Their 1990/1991 awards and honors include:

Best Marching Unit, Marching Cobras Back-to-School Parade;

2nd place Marching Band and 2nd place Drill Team, Liberty Fall Festival Parade;

1st place, Tournament of Champions Band Competition at Missouri Western State College for the III-A Division and included Best Music Performance, Best Marching Performance, and Best General Effect;

3rd place Band, CMSU Homecoming Parade;

1st place Band, Lincoln University Homecoming Parade;

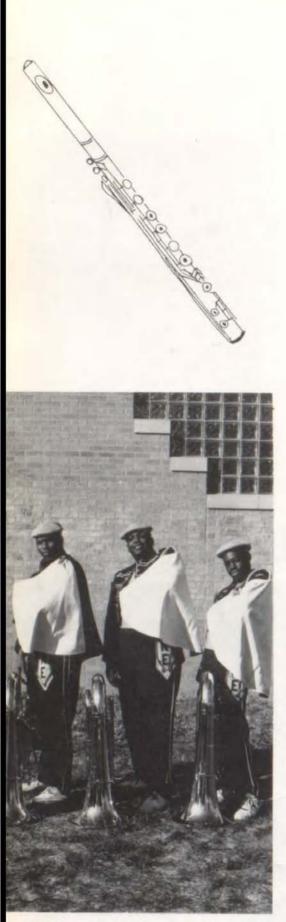
3rd place Band, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff;

Outstanding Drum Majors and 1st place Band, Interscholastic League Marching Band Contest;

1st Place Band, Festa Italiana;

Outstanding Band Student Athena Eaton, Florida A&M University Band Camp.





TUBAS, left to right: Abdul Abdulnassar, William Smith, Tim Hardin.



TRUMPETS: From left, Gina Alvarez, Clinnon White, Mondel Hampton, Quinton Harris, Chad La Voi, Ramel Mcgee, Rachell Vargas, Athena Eaton, Bruce Furlow.



FLUTES, left to right: Christa Rupf, Tiffany Blunt, Dena Igou, Shelly Carter.



FLAG GIRLS, left to right: Jennifer Abbott, Captain Teresa Esteban, Lorie Castillija.



DRILL TEAM, left to right: Dir. Gary Thomas, Shaneka Moore, Aisha Thornton, Mary Taylor, Amy Kirk, Afrika Walker, Marisela Guillen, Crystal Moore.



PERCUSSION: Top: Susan Sitton; Left to right: Charles Astin, Bernis Jackson, Alex Furlow, Howard Jackson, Jason Johnson, Zatina Rodriquez, Crystal Moore, Simmion Harris, Shaneka Moore, Janetta Reese, Montel Dickerson, Carl Leocardi, Ryan Harris, Ronnie Cravens.



GARBAGE CREW, left to right: Damon Crawford, Brodgerick Moore, Reginald Blake.



MARCHING TROMBONES: From left, Charles Johnson, Armond McDonald, Terrance Jones.



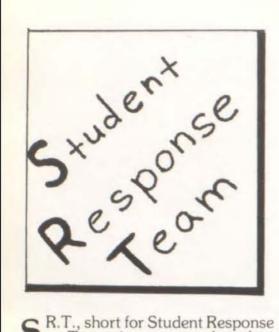
MELOPHONES: Athena Eaton, Samara Molix.



CLARINETS, Top: Charmain Burns; Left to right: Crystal Jackson, Sonja Cotrel, Travona Johnson.



SAXOPHONES, left to right: LaShunda Mitchem, Keona Ballard, LaVern Jackson.



**S** R.T., short for Student Response Team, is a group of student mediators who help resolve conflicts at school. This team was developed several years ago to reduce the large number of arguments and fights at shcool and give students an opportunity to resolve conflicts without aggression.

The students were trained at the beginning of the year by members of the Young Lawyers Association. The group has handled two to three conflicts a week since their training in October.

This is how S.R.T. works: first, students having a provblem tell an administrator, teacher or S.R.T. member about their conflict; second, two S.R.T. members are asked to meet in a room with the conflicting parties to help them solve the problem; finally, with the help of the mediators, the conflicting parties reach an agreement and sign a contract.

S.R.T. fits in well with the Public Service theme since S.R.T. members teach other students peaceful methods to handle their problems. In addition to offering Public Service at Northeast, the members of S.R.T. took their talents to other schools in the School District to help solve some problems.

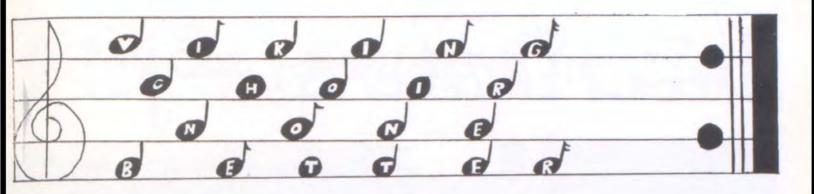
by Aleshia Hunter



From row 1, left to right. Row 1: Marlon Reed, Khoi Du, Leticia Zarate; Row 2: Christa Rupf, Daphnye Ford, Irene Downs, Patricia Hernandez, Latonya Slaughter; Row 3: Matt Beckett, Angela Florez, Paulo Murgia, Eric Adkins, Latrice Johnson; Row 4: Ms. Risso, Jeana Alvarez.



"Latrice makes a point at SRT training."





Row 1 left to right: Mr. Lindsey, Danielle McMickle, Micholle Walker, Toyce Adams, Jennifer Garcia, Kimberly Carter, Tracy Smallwood, Jamisha Johnson, Le Yana Stanford, Rovonne Black, Crystal Powell, Emily Tyler, Donna Harding; Row 2: La Conda Church, Tracy Shand, Marquita Williams, La Toya Simmons, Tracy Henderson, Fanae Lofton, Avadonn Willis, Chandra Daniels, Chanita Jones, Tera Eason, Mishi Holmes; Row 3: Angela Ealy, Monice Mulligan, Marva Perkins, Latrice Johnson, Nikita Thompson, Elonda Brown, Sonja Giesing, Erica Collins, La Trese Perkins, Lynette McGee, Melissa Freeman; Row 4: Rusty Wiggs, Tahra Williams, Nicole Webb, Raymond Strozier, Angela Myers, Bruce Atkinson, Syronica Henderson, Africa Walker, Chris West, Franklin Marshall.

Not shown: Dannette Baker, Ruth Gray, Nichelle Holland, Letitia McCallister, Jo Ann Nero, Crystal Overall, Bridgette Parish, Litel Robinson, Michelle Summers, Lindsey Thompson, Michelle Brown, Jamie Greer, and Kurt Silvers. The Viking Choir sponsored by Mr. James Lindsey.

The choir started the year learning new Christmas songs which they sang at area senior citizen homes and at city hall. The groups practiced for the district music festival at William Jewell College.

Mr. Lindsey says, although he doesn't have the individual talent he has had in the past, this group works well together and are progressing steadily.

The choir went to Orlando, Florida to compete in a music festival. Fund raising to support the trip was hard work for the choir but turned out to be fun. The choir proved that there is **NONE BETTER** this year.

by Nikita Thompson



THE JAZZ ENSEMBLE



Cheerleaders: Spirit



"Up with the Purple Pride."



"Attitude, Believe, Say 'YES' to Achieve."



Yes, we have spirit!





Seniors: Michelle and Tahra.





## **NORTHEAST CHEERLEADERS**

C heerleaders are where our spirit and enthusiasm begins at Northeast. Posters, streamers, and banners are just some of their trademarks. Cheerleaders are the ones who cheer harder when we're behind and even more when we have come from behind to win. The squad works to support football, cross-country, volleyball, girl's basketball, boy's basketball, track, band, and other school activities such as: Homecoming, Courtwarming, Faculty-student games, and the Spring-Fling.

Cheering is a year-round sport beginning, in earnest, in June. All Summer long you'll find the girls at school training and practicing hard four days a week. Each summer the girls, their coach and sponsor travel to camp where they work and compete 16 hours a day, and it's a great, fun time of growing together as a squad. Last Summer the squad brought the "Spirit Stick" home, the first time the cheer trophy has been won in a decade by Northeast. Five blue ribbons and three gold ribbons were earned the old fashioned way as well. Camp is "blood, sweat, and tears"; a little blood, gallons of sweat, and tears of great joy and pride in a job well done. Pride and motivation combine for a

hot result: Northeast Cheerleaders!

## COMPUTER CLUB

The Northeast Computer Club is an exciting and interesting club where the students, along with their advisor Mrs. Young, learn and keep up to date about computers. It is primarily made up of students from the Computer and Information Processing classes, however anyone who expresses an interest is welcome to join.

In addition to learning about computers, the Computer Club performs charitable acts and goes on field trips. This year they joined forces with the Kansas City Chiefs and helped fill Christmas stockings for needy children. The Computer Club also went to IBM and Hew ett Packard to enhance their knowledge of computers.

The Computer Club allows students who want to learn more about computers to do just that, but the most important thing about the club is that it lets people with similar interests have fun together.

by Christina Echavarria

**S** pirit Tech is a group of students who support their athletic teams all year long. The students also participated in skits at the Pep Assemblies and they helped the cheerleaders decorate the school for various school events. The Spirit Tech helped boost team morale at the games. They plan to be bigger and better next year.

by Michelle Higgins



Left to right, Row 1: Curtis Smith, Latanya Cage, Chad Harrington; Row 2: Donna Huff, Chandra Martin, Chheng Meng, and Teresa DuPree.

## SPIRIT TECH



Front, left to right: Tahra Williams, Arrion Abernathy; Row 2: Tera Eason, Cecilia Buchanan, Banika Harbin, Irene Downs; Row 3: Stacia Simshueser, Jennifer Abbott, Maria Mendez, Mrs. Harris, Rene Madison, Olivia Raya. Michelle Vitale, Mrs. Verburg, Michelle Martinez.

### HONOR SOCIETY



Row 1, left to right: Mark Crawtord, Jamisha Johnson, Deuan Dara 🕐 Sysavath, Mao Vath, Le Kin Nguyen, Jennifer Abbott, Tanya Hankins, Thuy Tran, Latanya Cage; Row 2: Trekesha Drummer, Veronica Hooker, Christina Brim, Alisha Gambino, Terrance Jones, Angela Lord, Khanh Tran; Row 3: Anna Butler, David Bartlett, RaDona Roland, Rumisha Givhan; Row 4: Siam Chayote,

Nikki Elkins, Shelly Provance, Christ Rupf, Amanda : Row 5: Dung Dang, Candace Lindsey, Simon Oeum; Row 6: Anthony Moore, David Jackson, Grace Brancato, Melissa Smith, Leticia Zarate, Marisela Guillen

alented students excel within the halls of Northeast. These students belong to the National Honor Society. Membership to the NHS is exclusive, only to students that maintain a 3.5 or above GPA, participate in extra-curricular activities, and are recognized by the faculty for their ability and achievements. The four characteristics of NHS: Scholarship, Leadership, Character, and Service are represented by its members. The Induction Ceremony, held on February 22, welcomed 34 new members. Congratulations to these students as well as to the second and third year members for their dedication and achievement in being the best of the best!

by Thuy Tran



Row 1 left to right: Anthony Mora, Mao Vath, Le Kim Nguyen, Thuy Tran, Khan Tran; Row 2: Mark Crawford, Nikki Elkins, Grace Brancato, Angela Lord, Marisela Guillen, Leticia Zarate.

The Senior Members of NHS



## NATURAL HELPERS S.A.D.D.

### NATURAL HELPERS

Natural Helpers ia an organization consisting of teenage helpers who assist people with problems, or listen to people when no one else will. They are a group of friendly people who willingly take time out to let others know that someone really cares about what they are going through. Natural Helpers are great to turn to for the many teenagers with problems today. Most of the Natural Helpers were chosen by the students and the remainder volunteered because of their interest in the organization.

When things are bad and trouble has you backed into a corner, you can turn to a Natural Helper.

by Daphne Ford

#### S.A.D.D.

**S** tudents Against Drunk Drivers, S.A.D.D., is an organization who's main focus is informing the public about accidents and other fatal incidents that are related to drinking and driving.

S.A.D.D. started the year by selling "warm fuzzies" to express the importance of having a warm heart and/or personality. The group also sold "Pumpkingrams" and "Santagrams" with anti-drinking and driving messages such as "Silent Night, Holy Night, Don't Drink and Drive tonight."

The members, along with sponsors Mrs. Morgan, Mr. Kelly, and Ms. Fisher, make it their duty to help reduce the number of drinking drivers. Northeast's S.A.D.D. Chapter also received an award for doing more to



Row 1, left to right: Stephanie Metcalf, Sharon Daniels; Row 2: Alfreda McKenzie, Mrs. Morgan, Latanya Cage, RaDona Roland, Ms. Fisher; Row 3: Daphyne Ford, Jocelyn Jordon, Khoi Du, Ramona Jennings, Mr. Kelly; Row 4: Patricia Hernandez, Robert Johnson, Dwon Little John, Carol Adams.

help prevent drinking and driving than any other school in the State of Missouri. Way to go!

### **CIVIL AIR PATROL**



Front row, left to right: Mrs. Reineke, Ms. Fischer, Matt Cruse, Stacey Waggoner, Mondell Hampton, Simon Oeum, Chris Thebo, Mr. Carmichael; Row 2: Lynda Marie Mahoney, James Braun, Chris Knoblauch, Claude Spurlock, Antoine Steele, Ted Bundy, Bryon Jones, Dwon Littlejohn, Candy Lindsey.

The 1990-91 school year ushered in a new program to Northeast. This year witnessed the inception of the Charles R. Long Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol. Open to both student cadets and faculty members, the program offers a fascinating array of educational and public service opportunities in coordination with the United States Air Force.

The Civil Air Patrol is focused around three primary missions. Acting as the Auxiliary for the United States Air Force and in direct cooperation with the Air Force, Civil Air Patrol members are involved in thousands of Search and Rescue missions annually. A second mission of the CAP is the advancement of Aerospace Education and the continuation of generating interest among youth in this career field. The third mission, the Cadet Program, places emphasis on establishing a goal of mental and physical growth within the cadet.

The CAP squadron at Northeast was named in honor of a 1941 graduate of Northeast, Charles Richard Long. As a sergeant serving in a mortar platoon in Korea, Long gave his life while providing mortar protection for his platoon against a superior hostile force. Sgt. Long was posthumously awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor on January 26, 1952.

he Northeast military program is striving for excellence in attitudes and behavior of its high school students. The military has this motto: "Motivate high school students to be better Americans", and that's exactly what it is trying to do. Sgt. Monroe said that the R.O.T.C. teaches discipline, respect for authority, and gives the students a sense of responsibility. Colonel Berry commented that all of those qualities need to be instilled in every high school student.

Northeast has the best military program in the Kansas City School District. One reason that they are the best, according to Sgt. Monroe, is because they have better equipment, better facilities, resources, and staff. The staff consists of personell from the Army, Navy, Air Force, And Civil Air Patrol.

The unit uses drill to teach discipline and leadership. Classes are offered in the History of the Air Force, Aerospace Technology, First Aid, and Oral Communications. Sgt. Monroe said that one disadvantage of having a military theme high school is that, "We don't have the authority to make our program as selective as we would like."

There are advantages to getting into the military program. "The military program is more realistic as a valuable option immediatly following high school. You can go directly into the military when you graduate but you have to wait for years to be a lawyer," said Sgt. Monroe.

by Daphne Ford

## MALE DRILL TEAM



Front:from left, Marlon Reed (Commander), James Hamp; Row 2: Robert Gay, William Cook, John Neal, Tony Hutsell, Mike Butler, Brian Smith; Row 3: Shawn Crull, Phil Partee, Johnny Morgan, Mondell Hampton, Jeremy Brimmage, John Bray; Row 4: Richard Young, Chris Shaffer, Jason Provo, John Gallegos, Stacy Harriford. Not Pictured: Eric Adkins.

## **FEMALE DRILL TEAM**



Front: Tiffany Henderson; Middle, left to right; Ronquita Langum, Tracy Smallwood, Nicole Elder, Ravonne Black; Back: Niki Harris, Nedra Woods, Tuyet Phan, Susan Smith, Christy Smallwood, Sidney Cox, Diana Dang.



"Darn, I forgot to eat my Wheaties."

## **RIFLE TEAM**



Left to right: Michael Butler, Tony Hutsell, John Gallegos, John Bray, Jerimy Brimmage.

#### **COLOR GUARD**



"OH please don't yell at me too!"



Front Row, left to right: Michael Mort, Frank Malvan, Tom Griffin, Billy Oyler; Row 2: Bill Weaver, Shawn Stigler, Chris Duke, Steve Hartman, Marcus Grimes, Terrance Collins, Jim Ritterhoff.

## **POM PONS**



Not pictured: Dishire Bear, Micole Brown, Makenya Lawrence. Front row, left to right: Michelle Martinez, Lisa Alvarez, Tiffany Brown, Nicole Chavez, Asha Sadarangani; Row 2: Jenny Rowe, Sandeia Sadarangani.

> **T** he Pom Pon Squad is a group of young ladies who love to dance and want to improve school spirit. The squad is selected each spring after try-outs. Then comes practice during school and summer.

> Most of the routines are choreographed by squad members who attended camp in the summer and concentrated on developing dance skills, improving leadership, and learning new routines.

> The Pom's performed at the football homecoming, courtwarming, and pep assemblies. Senior Captain Jenny Rowe said, "I feel as though we have improved from 1st year. I have faith

that next year they will be even better."

by Jennifer Rowe



Senior Jenny Rowe, Captain.



Asha Sadarangani



Tiffany Brown



Michelle Martinez



"Okay Ladies, 5, 6, 7, 8





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Lisa Alvarez

Sandeia Sadarangani

## STUDENT COUNCIL

S tudent Council was successful in many extracurricular activities this year.

The annual Homecoming Dance, "Visions of Love" was held at Adam's Mark on October 12, 1990 and it was a huge success. This was the best homecoming dance that Northeast has seen in years.

Student Council made contributions to the United Way Fund and sponsored a Project Hunger drive to feed the hungry. Donations were made by class and the Seniors demonstrated their generosity by donating 3 times more than any other class.

This year, for the first time, Student Council co-sponsored the Courtwarming Dance with Drama Tech. "The Skies the Limit" was at Holiday Inn Sports Complex on Feb. 1, 1991

Student Council also held the Stu-Co and class elections using real voting machines. Northeast is still the only school in the district using voting machines for elections.

by Maria Mendez



Maria Mendez, President.



First Row, left to right: Chad Harrington, Jackie Stovall; Row 2: Shanite Williams, RaDona Roland, Sharon Daniels, Misty Neil, Tiffany Blunt, Salena Gramot, Danielle Feby, SeShana Mitchell; Row 3: Kiedra Trammell, Lydia Alvarez, Irene Downs, Jennifer Hill, Chandra Martin, Christy Carmer, Ramisha Givhans; Row 4: Asha Sadarangani, Diana Dang, Dishire Bear, Anna Marie Occipinto, Julie Rodgers, Mrs. Love; Row 5: Alejandro Rodriquez, Bernie Wilson; Row 6: Chris Redmond.



"Ms. Love, leading Student Council in the right direction."

## F.B.L.A.



Row 1, Left to right: Maria Mendez, Nikki Elkins, Debbie Munkirs, Le Kim Nguyen, Grace Brancato, Khoi Du, Jo Marie Fontana; Row 2: Ms. Reichart, Leticia McAlister, De Anna Preston, Son Nguyen, Thuy Tran, Phonnie Kitivoravong, Nicole Webb, RaDona Roland, Anna Kankey, Lana Kelly, Luz Llamas, Chheng Meng, Tuyet Pham, Debbie Karn, and Ms.Betts. **F** America (FBLA) is an organization sponsored by Mrs. Paula Betts and Ms. Judy Reichart. The purpose of this organization is to give members confidence in getting started in the corporate world.

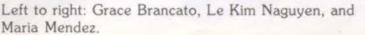
FBLA members participate in many activities, but two of the most important ones are donating toys and supplies to needy children and collecting trash from a section of I-435 that was adopted earlier this year.

FBLA is also a very competitive organization which participates in various business contests throughout the school year. Some hardworking and spirited members of FBLA are:President Kim Nguyen, Vice-President Grace Brancato, Secretary Maria Mendez, Treasurer Nikki Elkins, and Sargeant at Arms Jo Marie Fontana.

by Grace Brancato

### F.B.L.A. OFFICERS







Kim Nguyen, President.

## **MEDIA PUBLICATIONS**

his year, Media Publications, taught by Mr. Spillman and Mrs. Phillips, consisted of 42 students. The class explored writing skills, reporting, photography, layout, graphics, legal aspects of publishing and public relations. A newsletter, The Viking Voice, and the Yearbook, the Nor-'Easter, were produced by the students. Hard work, dedication, responsibility, reliability, and patience are by Christine Mendala key ingredients for success in the class.

The students on the yearbook staff were obligated to produce the best publication possible within their ability.

The students were assigned different sections individually, but many assignments required a group effort to get the job done. The staff got the chance to work with different people and new friendships were made.

The yearbook was worked on during regular class time, other class times, after school, and off days. Meeting deadlines, work schedules, and keeping grades up were tough to do but commitment and perseverance have paid off.

Some of the students were given the responsibility of attending events both in and out of school. This job of reporting involved scheduling, observing, photographing, and writing skills that became a team effort.

The class gives students a chance to experience what it might be like in different fields of work such as; journalism, photography, advertising, design, sales, and reporting.

All the different things going on each day such as photographs to be taken or being taken, layouts undergoing design changes, articles being re-

searched and written or rewritten give the appearance of chaos. Each persons needs are sometimes only briefly met but never overlooked (intentionally) by Mr. Spillman.

Throughout the year, the students have grown to respect the class, their fellow students, and the advisors. The students learned responsibility and gained self pride. The knowledge that what they worked on all year is finally completed and hundreds of people will (hopefully) enjoy it is their reward, and a memorable reward at that!



Maria Bruscato, Deanna Preston

Left to right: Nikita Thompson, Michelle Higgins, Aleshia Hunter.



#### THE VIKING VOICE

**D** own a dimly lit hallway and through a big wooden door there is a bright room full of students running about to make possible the production of the Viking Voice.

The Viking Voice reporters are chosen to be in this class. Some have participated in the Summer Media Workshop or the AHANA Journalism Workshop sponsored by the University of Missouri at Columbia where their journalism skills were honed toward perfection. The press conference on Archbishop Desmond Tutu at UMKC, Journalism Night with the Comets, and publicizing important information that concerns the school were scoops for these student reporters.

The Viking Voice reporters have covered stories on the Landfill fire, Homecoming, organizations, events, sports, academics, and outstanding students and faculty.

They go out and gather as much information as they can and try to produce the best stories as well as get the best coverage on them. They are sometimes assigned stories but they do go out and over unassigned stories as well. The stories are edited and rewritten and sometimes the reporters are asked to research the stories deeper for more input to enhance their content.

The stories are reread once more and sent to the typists. From there, the stories are sent to the people who design the layout for the paper. After the articles, photographs, and/or artwork are pasted -up, the completed layouts are shipped off to Mr. Leforgee's Printing Class to be printed.

The Viking Voice is distributed free of charge to the students.

The Viking Voice Staff has worked hard to cover stories. The Newsletter is an expression of talent, concern, fun, creativity, and excitement. Everything the Viking Voice does is to promote the themes of Law/Public Service and Military at Northeast.

by Daphne Ford

Left to right: Shelly Burton, Giovanna Santora, Denise Vigil.



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Shell,

I'm proud of you. Congratulations!! I love you, Mom. We are all so proud of you!

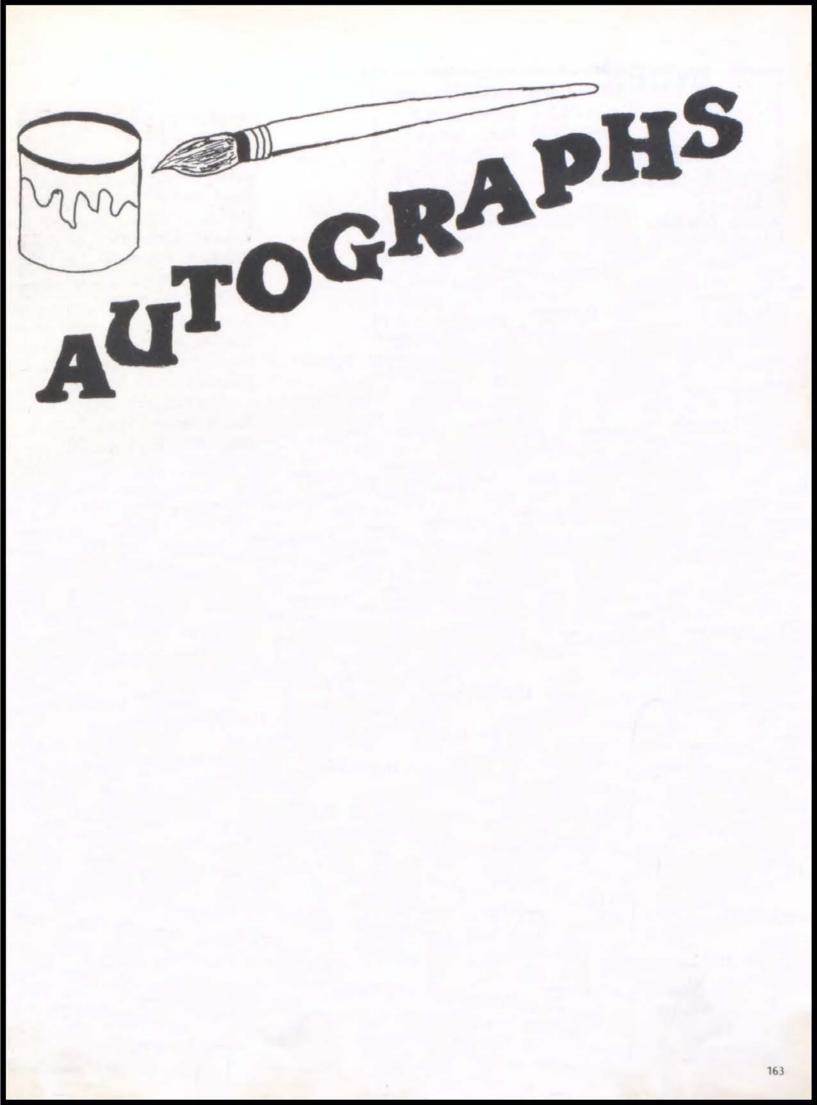
William Lee III WOWI You did it! We're so proud of you. Jenny! Chrissell. Go after your dreams in life. Love vou. Mom and your brothers Cindy. I am and will always be very proud of you. Love, Mom Grace. We are proud of you and you're academic achievements. CONGRATULATIONS!! Love, Mom and Dad Maria. You have always done the best you could do at whatever you tried. You've made many accomplishments throughout your school career and now is the moment of truth Congratulations on Graduation! We'll love you always, don't forget: "Take a shooting star Put it in your pocket And never let it go."

Mom & Dad









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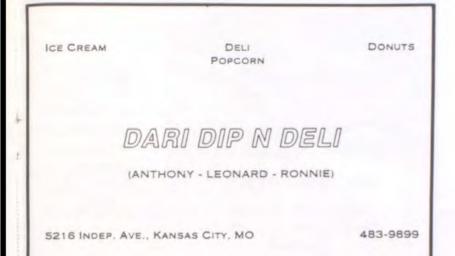


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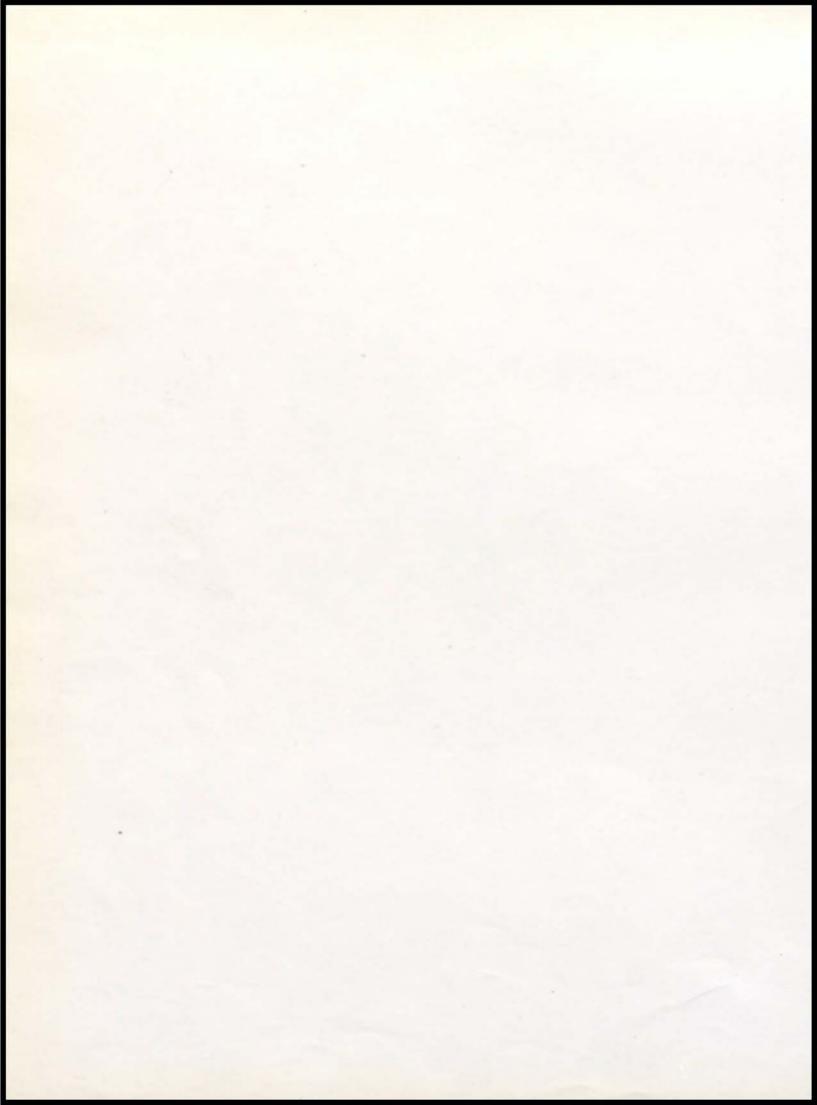
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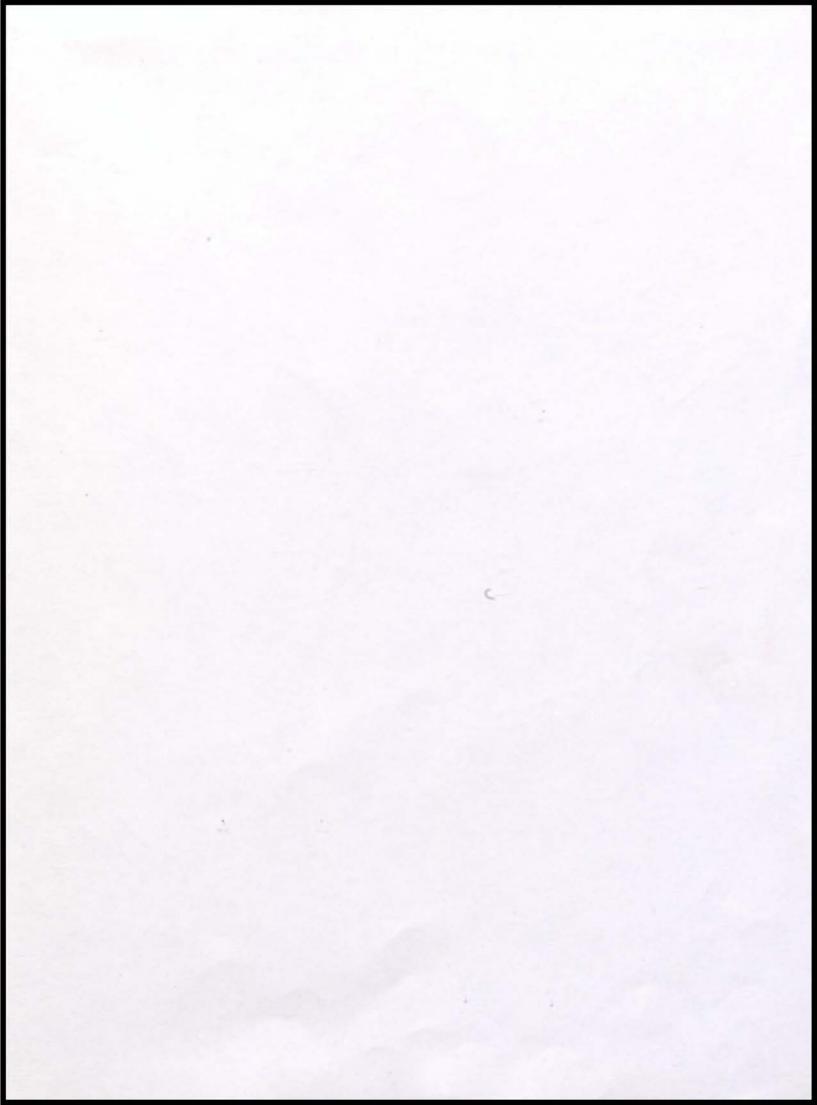


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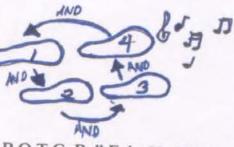
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