



Westport High School started its roots in the middle of the nineteenth century. Westport was then a four-room building on the corner of 39th Street and Warwick. The high school opened with ten students who were taught by the principal, Theodore Lemmon.

Westport not only had its origin in those stirring pioneer days, but her very name is of significance. It is a reminder of distant days when the Great West was opened. If origin and name of an institution are cause for pride, then Westport students may certainly be proud of their school.

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Susan Lutjen and Debra Gibson interview Ewing Kauffman, owner of the Royals' base-ball club.

Westporters were on the scene this year in several ways. Some students interviewed prominent people. Two students checked for trophies and unearthed the two oldest ones on the fourth floor. Students from other nations were introduced and, of course, all of these received a friendly welcome from Timothy Tiger.



Mr. Whipple squeezes a "Charmin-g" Westport student, Tracy Buckley.



Becky Blades and Marcelo Quinones discover the oldest trophies at Westport dating back to 1906.



Theresa Abi-Saab, from Equador, and Fernando Vergara, from Colombia, have a hamburger "Americano" style.



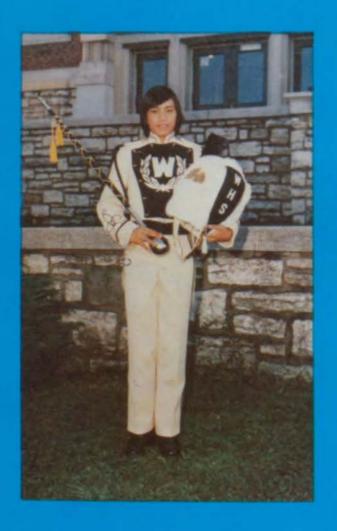
Timothy Tiger greets the Class of '79 at Eighth Grade Orientation.





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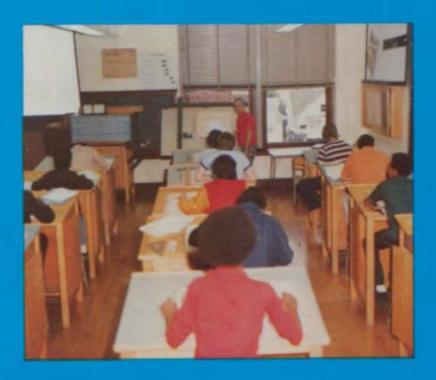




- Drum Major
- ... ROTC Drill Team
- ... drafting students closely watch their instructor.
- Trackettes
- ... WHS Cross Country Team











- . . . cheerleaders at summer camp.
- . , , seniors attend Citizenship Forum at Park College.
- student represents Westport at Junior Achievement workshop.
- ... secretaries recognize National Secretaries week.









- ... journalism students look over their finished publication at the Urban Journalism Workshop in Columbia, Mo.
- . . . Westport debaters attend the High School Debate Workshop at Warrensburg, Mo.
- ... representatives for Boys' State.

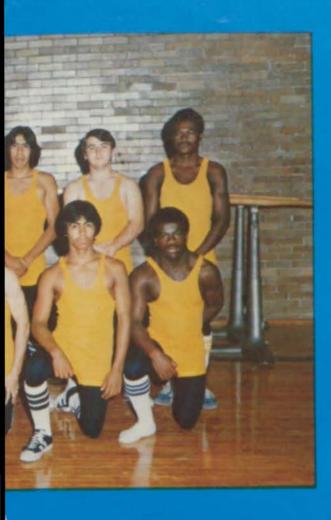










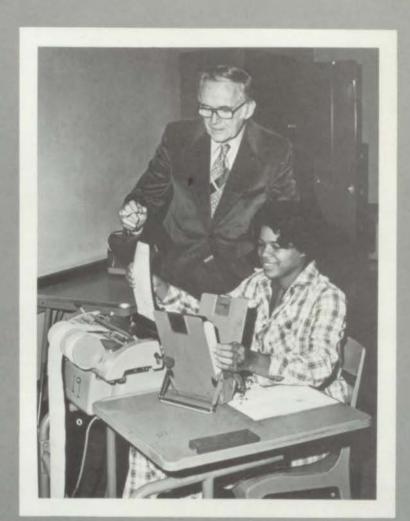


- ... the Mighty Westport Tiger
- ... WHS Wrestlers
- ... eighth graders perform their artistic skills.
- ... Varsity Football seniors
- ... Tigerettes















GUIDANCE

AND KNOWLEDGE

Mr. Curtis Keeps in Touch with Students



Congratulations! With your purchase of this beautiful 1976 edition of the Westport HERALD, you have shown yourself to be a person with intelligent foresight and discriminating taste. Most of us make judgments regarding the quality of the things for which we spend our time and money on the basis of the reputation of those things or on the basis of our experience with them. So it is with the HERALD, It has an enduring reputation for excellence in terms of aesthetic appeal, interest, dignity and imagination in content and presentation, and sound craftsmanship. Most of us who are regular subscribers know from our own personal experience that the HERALD represents one of our most cherished investments-an investment that will in the years to come be a source of joy to us and will have great sentimental and practical value as a record of our lives and labors at dear old Westport.

Once again, I am pleased to congratulate Mrs. Heatherly and the staff and to express my sincere appreciation for yet another fine edition of the HERALD!

E. E. Curtis



Mr. Curtis supervises the halls between classes.



Giving the daily announcements over the intercom is a common task for Mr. Curtis,

Mr. Stroud Makes 'Who's Who in Missouri'

Vice-principal, Mr. William E. Stroud, has been selected to appear in the 1975 edition of WHO'S WHO IN MISSOURI EDUCATION, a book of biographical information honoring outstanding educators in the state of Missouri. Working with attendance, distribution of lockers, the reduced lunch program, discipline and identification cards are the responsibilities of Mr. Stroud. He has been an administrator at Westport for seven years. Mr. Stroud holds a B.S. from Langston University and a M.S. from Kansas State College at Pittsburg.





Mr. Stroud often has parental conferences over the telephone.



Vice-principal, Ms. Melba C. Carter, received her B.A. and M.A. degrees from U.M.K.C. She received an R.N. degree from the General Hospital School of Nursing. This is Miss Carter's second year at Westport.



Vice-principal, Mr. Louie K. Ward, has served rine years as an administrator at Westport. Distribution of report cards, schedules, assisting with discipline, and working in the book room are his responsibilities. Mr. Ward holds a B.S. in education from Harding College, and a M.S. in education from Central Missouri State University. He also has done further study at the University of Missouri-Rolla.

Mr. French Works with Vocational Students



Mr. Robert F. Short, who is in charge of students whose last name begins with M-S, has been at Westport for nine years. He obtained his degrees at Hampton University and Central Missouri State University at Warrensburg.



Mrs. Katie D. Holley has been a counselor at Westport for fifteen years. She takes care of the students whose last name begins with A-E and T-U-V. She obtained her degrees at Southwest Missouri State College and George Peabody College.



Mrs. Sue West has been at Westport for three years. She is the secretary for the counselors.



Mr. French takes time out to check his files on students.

Counselors Lead a Busy Life



Mr. Bud French is Westport's Vocational Technical counselor. This is his sixteenth year here. Mr. French received his degrees at Kansas University and the University of Missouri in Kansas City. He enjoys golfing.



Mrs. Gladys E. Burtin has degrees from Central Missouri State University at Warrensburg and University of Missouri in Kansas City. This is her fifth year at Westport and she counsels students whose last names begin with the letters F-L and W-X-Y-Z.



Mrs. Holley and Mrs. Burtin always make the counselors' office a nice place to visit.

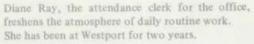


There is never a time of rest for Mrs. West, the counselors' secretary.

Women Keep School in Order



Mrs. Lena Carpenter, secretary and registrar to Mr. Curtis, has been here for sixteen years.







Gladys Mason is the IBM secretary at Westport. She served as secretary to Mr. Ward. She has been at Westport for four years.

Anna Ellis started last year at Westport as the secretary of the Student Center. With a background of clerical, shorthand, and typing education, she still finds time for her favorite hobbies, sewing, and interior decorating.





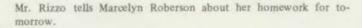
Mrs. Carolyn Hall is the bookroom clerk. She majored in elementary education. She enjoys sewing. This is her ninth year at Westport.

Business Teachers Prepare Students for Work

This year the business department consists of the vocational-technical and C.O.E. training in addition to the traditional business classes. This is a deviation from the former pattern. Our job has been to furnish students with skills, abilities, and attitudes that will be well received in business or their place of employment. The seven teachers in this department have helped to achieve this goal and hope that students will use the knowledge gained in their future careers.



Anthony Rizzo has a bachelor of science in business from Maryville State University and a masters of arts degree in education from the University of Colorado. He teaches typing, stenography, and secretarial practice. This is his nineteenth year at Westport.



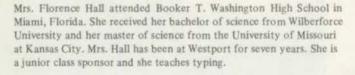


Robert Ballantyne has been with Westport for 22 years. He is the oldest teacher in continuous service at Westport. He received his B.S. in Education and M.A., both from the University of Nebraska. With attendance at Graceland Junior College of Lamoni, lowa, he received his Associate Degree. He is an advanced typing and accounting teacher at Westport. Presently, Mr. Ballantyne is Westport's central treasurer, or school accountant. He took over this position from Ms. Lorena Card, who taught accounting and beginning stenography at Westport from 1954-1965.





Mrs. Opal Heatherly has taught at Westport for nine years. She teaches typing, shorthand, clerical practice, and newswriting. She is the advisor for the CRIER and the HERALD. She is also sponsor for QUILL AND SCROLL. Her hobbies are writing and traveling. She has a bachelor of science from Central Missouri University and a master of arts degree in journalism from the University of Missouri in Columbia.





Mrs. Hall begins the day in a cheerful mood.



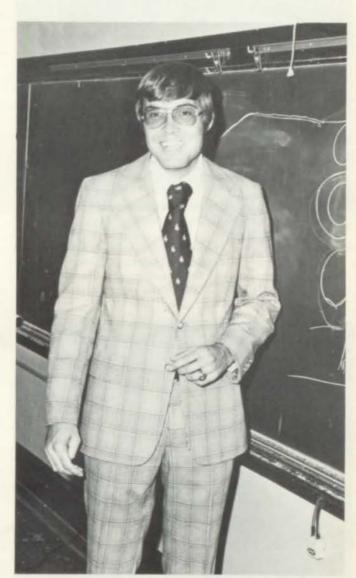
Teachers Brighten Future



Mr. Rembert Young, who has been at Westport for three years, has a bachelor of science from Kansas State University in Pittsburg. He teaches printing in Room 1.



Mr. Francis McClernon is the new C.O.E. teacher and administration assistant. Mr. McClernon obtained his degrees at University of Illinoïs, University of Missouri, Kansas City, and Central Missouri State College.



Mr. Tom Burns has a bachelor of science and a bachelor of arts degree in marketing from Rockhurst College. He teaches C.O.E. and this is his third year at Westport.

Mrs. Munoz Instructs Students



Mrs. Thelma Bowen, head of the English Department, has been at Westport for seventeen years. Mrs. Bowen has a bachelor of science degree from the University of Missouri and a master of arts from Northwest Missouri State.



Junior, Fred Ragsdale, and senior, Greg Miller, learn to accept constructive criticism.

The primary concern of American education today is NOT the development of the "good" life in people only born to wealth. Our purpose is to cultivate in the largest number of our future citizens an appreciation both of the responsibilities and the benefits which come to them because they are American and free.

General Education in a Free Society

It is hoped that the above quoted statement is the guiding principle on which all teaching is based. The members of the English department strive to make this a reality for all students. Despite sometimes seemingly overwhelming odds, English teachers at W.H.S. insist that their area of learning is one of the most influential in opening the vistas through which the citizens of tomorrow can fully realize the American dream, and that only through education can the greatest appreciation of life be fulfilled.

Members of the department in alphabetical order are; Mrs. T. V. Bowen, Miss Marion Downing, Mrs. Morrsie Edgerson, Mrs. Ruth Farris, Mrs. Ola Kent, Mrs. Margaret Munoz, Mr. Steve Nelson, Mrs. Inez Pletcher and Miss Joyce Williams.



Mrs. Margaret Munoz has been at Westport for three years. She holds a bachelor of arts degree from Culver-Stockton College and a master of arts from Western Illinois University.

on Their Writing Ability



Miss A. Joyce Williams attended the University of Arkansas in Pinebluff and received her master of arts degree from Columbia University in New York City. This is her third year at Westport. She likes to travel and reading is her favorite pastime.



Mrs. Morssie Edgerson attended Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri. For her sixth year at Westport, she teaches English. She enjoys sewing and reading as hobbies. Mrs. Edgerson has a bachelor of science degree in English from Lincoln University.



Mrs. Inez C. Pletcher teaches English. She has a bachelor of arts degree from Lynchburg College and a master of arts from the University of Pittsburgh.



Mr. Steve Nelson has a bachelor of arts from the University of Missouri at Kansas City. He teaches English and has been teaching at Westport for five years. Mr. Nelson has photography as a hobby.

Teachers Lead Students to Better Understanding



Miss Marion Louise Downing received her bachelor of arts degree from Tarkio College in Tarkio, Missouri. She received her master of music education from University of Kansas in Lawrence, Kansas. She teaches creative writing, basic English, and sophomore English.



Mrs. Ruth Farris has a bachelor of arts and bachelor of science degrees from Central Missouri State College. She also attended Fort Hays Kansas State College and was a graduate student at the University of Missouri in Kansas City. This is her fifth year at Westport. Mrs. Farris enjoys reading, sewing, gardening, and traveling.



Mrs. Ola Kent went to Riverview High in Waynesboro, Mississippi. She received her bachelor of science in English from University of South Mississippi in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Mrs. Kent enjoys reading and listening to music. This is her third year at Westport.



Mary Ruth Lawton went to high school in Fairfield, Iowa. She received her bachelor of arts from Parson's College in Fairfield, Iowa and her master of arts degree from Warrensburg.



Ms. Madison explains some of the basic fundamentals of English.



Elberdeen Madison received her bachelor of arts degree from Kansas State College in Pittsburg, Kansas. Ms. Madison majored in English and psychology and she received her master of arts degree in reading from Columbia University in New York. She teaches special education for ninth and tenth graders.



Miss Sharon Bagby received her bachelor of science in special education and elementary education from Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri. She enjoys spectator sports. This is her second year at Westport.

There Are Two Sides to

Westport's Science Department covers many areas including a wide range of courses from the following: Biological Science, Earth Science, Human Science, and Physical Science.

The science department provides students with background knowledge from the general science field. After a background is developed, students are led to attempt the sci-

entific method of problem solving.

Knowledge from the realm of science can unlock the door to the future. College, trade school, or the corner supermarket can be better understood and controlled with the knowledge that is available from Westport's science instruc-

fors



Rhesa Davis, the head of the Science Department, received his bachelor of science from the University of Arkansas and his master of arts from the University of Missouri at Kansas City. This is his eighth year at Westport. Mr. Davis is the coach of the cross-country team.



Mrs. Margeret Young has a bachelor of science from Indiana University and a master of science from the University of Missouri at Kansas City. This is her eighth year at Westport. She teaches ideas and investigations in science, chemistry, and introduction to physical science.



Gerald Baysinger teaches ecology and earth science. Mr. Baysinger has his bachelor of science, bachelor of arts, and master of arts degree from the University of Missouri at Kansas City.



Mr. Davis is caught taking his early morning coffee break.

the Science Department



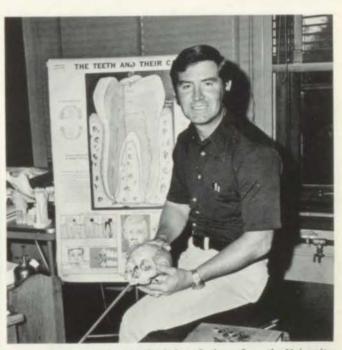
Mrs. Charlotte Ratliff has been at Westport for two years. She teaches Biology and Ecology. Mrs. Ratliff attended Washburn University of Topeka. She has a B.S. in Home Economics.



Mrs. Ratliff helps Arettia Roberson with her class assignment.



Mrs. Luella Hines got her bachelor of arts from A.M.N. in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. This is her second year at Westport. She likes to read, sew, cook, and swim.



Mr. David Jones received his bachelor of science from the University of Missouri in Columbia. This is his eleventh year at Westport. Mr. Jones teaches human science and boy's physical education. His hobbies are hunting, fishing and flying.

Joe Holden Shows Interest

Every pupil deserves to be taught, at the level of his ability, those things, which will be meaningful to him in his search for educational, social, and vocational security.

It was the desire of all teachers of mathematics at Westport to assist our students in their quest for such goals.

Individualized teacher planning, organizing, actuating, and evaluating toward the accomplishment of these goals proved to be rewarding to all concerned.

We felt that mathematics is essential to more careers today than ever before.

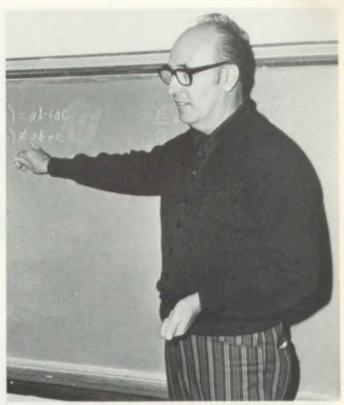
By affording the student more individualized instruction and learning opportunities, this formidable challenge was successfully met.

With even greater importance, the students too, have and must continue to carry out their own individualized responsibilities in the seeking out of more pertinent applications of mathematical truths.

It is only through both the combined efforts of students, their parents, and teachers, that quality education leading to more effective learning will be achieved.



Eugene Champion has been with Westport for 21 years. He received a bachelor of arts degree and a master of education from Philander Smith College, University of Arkansas, Washburn University, and the University of Missouri at Kansas City.



Mr. Don Nelson, who was the chairman of the math department, holds a bachelor of science and a master of arts degree from the University of Missouri at Rolla, Iowa State University at Ames, University of Missouri at Kansas City, Kansas State College at Pittsburg, and the Kansas State, University at Manhattan.

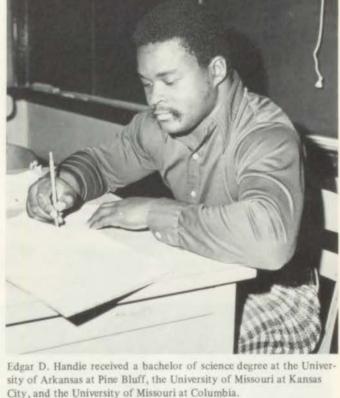


Joe Holden decides he has done enough work on math for one day.

in Math Assignment



Mr. William Freeman has taught at Westport for seven years. He holds a bachelor of arts and a master of arts degree from the University of Missouri at Kansas City.





Terry J. Moore has been with Westport for five years. He graduated from the Kansas State University at Manhattan and University of Missouri at Kansas City. He holds a bachelor of arts degree.



Willis Summers began teaching at Westport 28 years ago. He holds a master of arts and a bachelor of arts degree from Emporia State, Langston University, Kansas University, the University of Missouri at Kansas City, and the Wayne University in Detroit.

History Teachers Recognize

The Bicentennial 1976 Social Studies staff of Claudette Bartle, Joe Lopez, Sylvia Farnsworth, Arthur Peterson, Gwendolyn Ray, Alfonzo Rider, Mike Rivera, Jerry Kent Roark, Patricia Neuhaus, Jim Voelker, and Police Officers Ronald Holt and James Fitzgerald give you these thoughts concerning "200 Years of America."

In 200 years we have built a nation of 175,000 schools, 2,200 colleges, and universities, 1,000 symphony orchestras, 100,000 libraries, 75,000 hospitals, and 250,000 churches.

When disasters strike anywhere in the world-flood, famine, hurricane or earthquake—America is the first to offer aid. Not just sympathy, but food, clothing, medicine, and money. Each year Americans contribute billions to charity—most of it dimes and dollars from average citizens.

The "AMERICAN DREAM" of 1776 is still alive in 1976 and despite the cynics and scoffers America lives in the heart of every man everywhere who wishes to find a region where he will be free to work out his destiny as he chooses.

As the late President, Dwight David Eisenhower, said: "There is nothing wrong with America that the faith, love of freedom, intelligence and energy of her citizens cannot cure."

"GOD BLESS AMERICA!" I was born an American; I will live as an American; I shall die an American.



Patricia Neuhaus graduated from Ohio University with a bachelor of arts. She received her master of arts in history from University of Missouri at Kansas City. She enjoys sewing and reading, and has been at Westport for ten years.



Mr. Jerry Kent Roark, head of the social studies department, received his bachelor of arts and master of arts from University of Tulsa. His hobbies are classical music and politics. Mr. Roark has been at Westport twelve years.

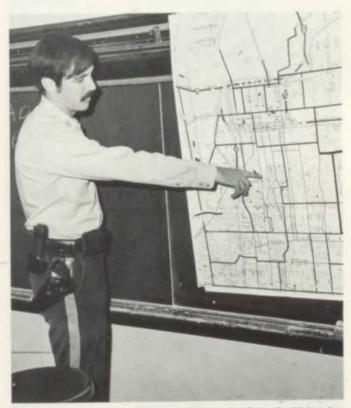


Jim Voelker received a bachelor of arts from Rockhurst College. He was an assistant coach for the varsity football team. He is active in boy scouting and this is his sixth year at Westport.

Bicentennial Year



Gwendolyn Ray has a bachelor of science degree from Kansas State University in Pittsburg and a master of arts degree from Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg. She has been at Westport for eight years.



Ronald Holt received his bachelor of arts in art from the University of Missouri at Kansas City. This is his second year at Westport.



Arthur Peterson graduated from Grinell College in Iowa with a bachelor of arts and a master of arts degree. He coaches varsity tennis and basketball, and has been at Westport for eight years.



Sylvia Farnsworth graduated from the University of Connecticut with a bachelor of arts. She also has a master of arts from the University of Missouri at Kansas City. This is her second year at Westport.



Alfonzo Rider graduated from Langston University in Oklahoma with a bachelor of arts. He enjoys cards, pool, and baseball. This is his second year at Westport.

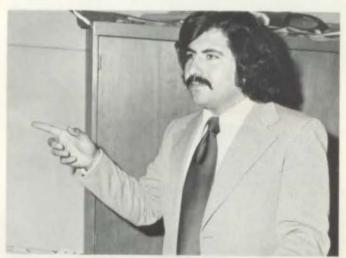


Claudette Bartle graduated from the University of Missouri at Kansas City with a bachelor of arts degree and a master of arts degree. This is her fifth year at Westport. She also teaches German.

Officer Fitzgerald (right) teaches Officer and the Law for the history department. This is his first year at Westport.



Joe Lopez graduated from University of Missouri at Kansas City with a bachelor of arts in health and physical education. This is his second year at Westport.



Mike C. Rivera received his bachelor of science in education from Central Missouri State University. He coached freshmen football and wrestling. This is his third year at Westport.



Resource and Health Centers Offer More



Claire Wilson came to Westport this year from West Virginia. She has taught at the elementary and college level as well as being a librarian. She received her bachelor's degree from Valdosta State College and did graduate work in library science at Florida State University.



Massie Bradford is the assistant clerk in the Library Resource Center for her second year. She attended a polytechnic high school in San Francisco and also San Francisco City College.

In the Westport Health Center, first aid, vision tests, hearing tests, dental inspections, and heights and weights for all students for whom the nurse has no record was available. The parent of the student was contacted when problems were found (or not found) and the nurse helped to guide them to the proper agency for correction of these problems.

Mary Ella Porter has been at Westport for nineteen years. She attended St. Joseph Hospital School of Nursing in Kansas City, Mo. Miss Porter holds a B.S. in Public Health Nursing, and a M.A. in education from George Peabody College.



Students experience the audio-visual equipment in the Resource Center,

The image of the library as a storehouse for books is no longer accurate at Westport High. It is much more than

The Library Resource Center is the "center" of a great deal of activity. It has seen some changes this year, particularly in the use of media. Four carrels equipped with cassette players and filmstrip previewers have given us special listening and viewing facilities. Students and faculty are making more use of these kinds of supplementary materials than ever before.

To be able to discover for one's self answers to questions, to find materials to supplement classroom work or to use for the enjoyment they provide, students must know how to use a library. Work has been done through the English classes to teach these skills, and a feeling of being an independent learner has increased.

Research has been encouraged, and this has led to the use of the reference sources as well as the periodicals in our collection.

A great wealth of information is available to those who know how to find it, and with the help of the librarian and her aid and student assistants, Westport students are taking advantage of this aspect of their school.





Mrs. Marie Pusateri received her bachelor of science degree in education from Central Missouri State College in Warrensburg and her master of science degree from the University of Minnesota. She has been at Westport for seventeen years.

Along with the changing of time comes the changing of physical education in that within the next three years, there will be co-educational classes with the exception of contact sports taught by both men and women. This year is the nucleus of such a program.

While the classes will change, the philosophy of Girls Physical Education will remain the same, that administrators, teachers and students all work toward one goal; to organize activities and to evaluate physical education experiences.

The Girls Physical Department was designed to educate the total student, not only through big muscle activity, but to guide, to aid, to evaluate and to develop.

Marie Pusateri Chairman



Mrs. Noverlene Stewart has been at Westport for three years. She holds a bachelor of arts degree from Texas College in Tyler, Texas. Her hobbies are reading, fishing and singing.

'Phys. Ed' to Go Co-Ed



Mr. Pat Murphy received his bachelor of science degree from the University of Kansas. He was the head of the Boys Physical Education department, head coach of the varsity football team, and taught B.P.E. This is his fifteenth year at Westport.

Westport Boys Physical Education is a flexible and organized program consisting of a wide variety of activities designed to help meet physical and recreational needs of the students for both the present and the future.

The program is concerned with and emphasizes mature growth physically and mentally. The department offered a varied curriculum by having students participate in softball, basketball, wrestling, tumbling, calisthenics, track, and co-educational bowling at King Louie Plaza during classtime.



Mr. Charles Harris received his bachelor of science degree from the University of Nebraska. He was the coach for freshman basketball, an assistant coach for the varsity football team, and taught B.P.E. This was his third year at Westport.

Teachers Help Improve Students

M/Sgt. Frank O. Champion has been Senior Army Instructor at Westport since September 1967, when the battalion was reactivated after 15 years layoff. He is retired from the army and served 21 years. He was overseas in Europe for Second World War, a 3 year tour in France and 3 in Germany since that time. He feels very proud of having been a part of a top-notch winning ROTC unit all eight years. He considers Westport and Westport people the finest school and people. He believes that the people here, of all races, creeds and colors, working together toward a common goal, is what integration is all about.



Mrs. Charlene Foster attended Avila College where she has a bachelor of arts degree. She teaches students with learning disabilities. This is her first year at Westport.



Ms. Earlyne Tucker is attending Kansas University. She is a teacher's assistant at Westport and this is her first year.





Sgt. Quinn was in the service for thirty years and has taught at East and Manual High Schools in the Kansas City, Missouri Public District. This is his first year of teaching at Westport.

Young Homemakers Experience Sewing Methods



Marjorie Harris, who has been at Westport for ten years, received her bachelor of science from the University of Minnesota and her master of science degree from the University of Kansas. Her favorite hobbies are golf, sewing, and dancing.

Nancy Gossett received a bachelor of science degree from the Kansas State Teachers College in Emporia, Kansas. She has taught at Westport for four years, and relaxes with sewing, macrame, and crochets on the side.

The home economics department through its wide variety of courses is concerned with guiding all students to develop attitudes, appreciation, understanding, and abilities necessary for achieving satisfying personal and family living.

The wide scope of our curriculum, basic home economics, foods, clothing, child development, bachelor living, consumer education, home decoration and family relations, helped our students to gain a greater appreciation of the joys and satisfactions to be derived from successful family living and developed the ability to make and carry out intelligent decisions regarding the effective use of personal family and community resources.



Mary Beene graduated from Grambling College with a bachelor of science degree. She has taught at Westport for three years. She enjoys reading.



Mrs. Harris shows Diane Steele the basics of sewing.

Men Provide Insights Toward Industry

The Industrial Arts department offers the students, both boys and girls, an opportunity for actual hands-on-learning. Courses are offered in basic and advanced wood, beginning and advanced metal, art metal, jewelry, electricity, drafting, and printing. The prime objectives of the department are to provide insights into the many areas of industry; to build competence in the care and use of common tools and machines; to develop the ability to recognize good design and craftsmanship as it relates to selection, care and use of consumer products. Through these objectives Industrial Arts students develop such desirable habits as planning, completing a job, judgment, reliability, honesty, initiative, consideration of others, respect for authority, and working in a safe and healthful manner.



Mr. Joel Christianson attended Kansas State College of Pittsburg, in Pittsburg, Kansas and received his bachelor of science in industrial education. This is Mr. Christianson's second year at Westport and he enjoys tennis and sailing.



Mr. Foster, who is the head of the industrial arts department, received a bachelor of arts from Wichita State University and a master of arts from Central Missouri State.





Mr. William Gamble received a double major bachelor of science from Northwestern Missouri State and his master of arts from Colorado State University. Mr. Gamble has been at Westport for twenty years. He enjoys hunting, fishing, and golf.



Mr. Steve Gillespie received his bachelor of science from Northwestern Missouri State University in Maryville, Missouri. He has been at Westport for four years and enjoys sports and entomology.

Mr. Charles Vest received his bachelor of science and his master of arts from Colorado State College of Education. This is Mr. Vest's tenth year at Westport. Mr. Vest enjoys fishing and hunting.



Fine Arts Takes Imagination

The goal of the fine arts program has been to develop the creative imaginative qualities in the student; to teach the student to be aware of the potentials for self expression, personal enjoyment and communication with his fellow man through color and form, through music and the various types of speech arts.

For the last three years, the speech division of the fine arts department added to its curriculum radio, television and debate.



Betty Ortner has a master of science degree. She attended Kansas University and the Art Institute at the University of Missouri at Kansas City. She enjoys painting and music. This is her sixteenth year at Westport.



Brenda M. Rivette attended the University of Missouri at Kansas City. She holds a bachelor of arts degree in speech and mass communication, Mrs. Rivette teaches Radio and TV and English. This is her second year at Westport.

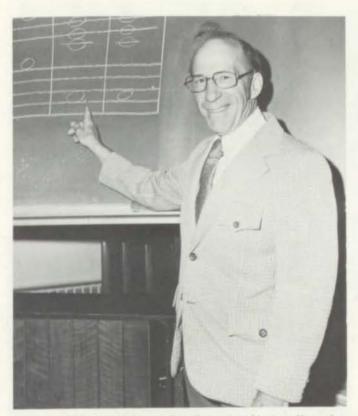


Richard Pond has a bachelor of science degree and a master of science degree. He attended college in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and at Kansas State University, Lawrence, Kansas. He is the department chairman of the art department. His favorite hobby is art and he has been at Westport for fifteen years.



Don Zimmerschied has been at Westport five years. He has a bachelor of science degree. He attended Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg. This is his fifth year at Westport.

Music Enlightens the Day



Donovan Mabbott was the vocal music teacher this year. He graduated from Blackhill Teachers College in Spearfish, South Dakota. He also holds a master of arts degree from the University of Missouri at Kansas City. This was his seventh year at Westport.



Margaret Henrion is the piano accompanist for all of the vocal music classes. She was a senior at the Conservatory of Music at the University of Missouri at Kansas City. This was her first year returning to Westport after an 8 year absence. She was previously employed at Westport for 5 years.



Duane Miller has an associate in arts from Graceland College and his bachelor of arts degree and master of arts degree from Drake University. This was his fourteenth year at Westport.



Mr. Mabbott sings along as he directs the choir.

Fine Arts Provides Fun, Too



Anne Rivera is the speech and debate teacher this year. She holds a bachelor of science degree in secondary education from Kansas University. This was her fifth year at Westport.



Linda Pearson taught Spanish I, II, III, and IV. This was her seventh year at Westport. She holds a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Missouri in Kansas City.



Diane McClenahan was the French teacher at Westport. She received her bachelor of education degree from the University of Kansas City. This was her third year at Westport. Her hobbies are reading French and sewing.



Ms. Pearson finds that Quita Tutt is very interested in her Spanish assignment.

Their Guidance and Knowledge Leads Us



Westport Security Guards are: (Left to Right) Earl McCrary, Anna M. Thomas, and Robert Dwyer.



"Very interesting," says Mr. Zimmerschied. "But what is it?"



Mrs. Carter enjoys her first year as a vice-principal.



Mrs. Ratliff discusses plant cells with biology students.



"What did they give this to me for?" asks Mrs. West.

Special Jobs for Special People



Harry Woodward Building Manager



Paul Carthens Fireman

The building services staff of Westport consists of thirteen employees, including the Building Manager, elevator operator, matron and fireman. The staff's responsibilities consist of all phases of the care and cleaning responsibilities of the building and grounds of Westport High.

It is the staff's goal and concern to provide a clean and healthy environment for the student body and faculty. We feel that this service contributes to the continued education at Westport.

With the retirement last year of our fireman, Mr. Riegel, we have the services of Mr. Paul Carthens in this capacity.



Norma Stickney Cafeteria Manager

We were glad to be back as a group and will try to do our best.

Because of the Austerity program, inaugurated by the school board, we have fewer employees in the cafeteria than we had last year.

However, we are operating smoothly and serving more teachers and pupils than last year.



Front Row: Norma Stickney, Charlie Evans, Bertha Harris, Edna Evans, Alberta Miller, Catherine Schneider, Ida Sims. Back Row: Violet Warren, Julie Dooley, Pat Woodard, Charlie Jackson, Eula Hursig, Velda Coulter, Eleanor Giddings.



Robert Anderson



Jimmie Brister



Lorenzo Odum



Joseph Roberts



Opal Owens was this year's matron. This was her first year at Westport.



Fred Sims



Edward Small



John Stephens



Willie Wates



Wilma Horn was this year's elevator operator. This was her sixth year at Westport.











GRADUATES

Seniors Plan For Future

The Spirit of '76

The class of 1976 may be remembered by others as the Bicentennial class, however, the seniors refer to themselves as just the Westport class of 1976. As a group they may not have accomplished great things which can be listed here, but as individuals they have taken honors in sports, ROTC, become affiliated with the National Honor Society, and have taken part in school activities which exhibits school spirit.

The class of 1976 has been prepared for a wide variety of careers. Approximately 50 seniors participated in the Vocational-Technical program and 80 seniors were involved in the work-study program. One third of the class of 1976 will pursue their education further at the college level.



The 1976 Senior Class officers are: (left to right) Dan Jackson, treasurer; Cherie L. Briscoe, secretary; Regina T. Adams, vice-president; Russell Cummings, president.



Mr. Tom Burns and Ms. Margaret Young were the 1976 Senior Class sponsors.



Patty Corbett searches for information in the periodical section of the library.







JENNIE ABER REGINA ADAMS ELIZABETH ALCANTER















CHERLY A. ANDERSON CHERYL Y. ANDERSON ERNETTA ANDERSON

MARY ANDERSON DONALD ASHWORTH MICHAEL BAGBY







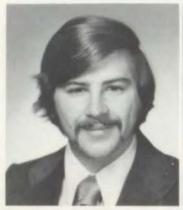
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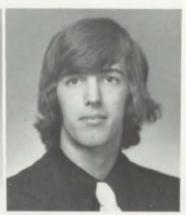




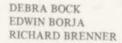








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CHERIE BRISCOE JOHN BROOKS LINDA BROWN

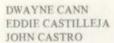
LORETTA LYNN



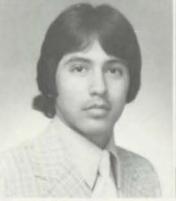




VERNA BURNS ANNA BUTLER JANET CALLIER















BETTI CHILDRESS PATRICIA CORBETT DIANE CRADDOCK

RHONDA CRADDOCK





Will this become a new relationship for John Castro and Loretta Lynn?

SENIORS STICK TOGETHER

CARL CUFF RUSSELL CUMMINGS ANGELA D'ACHIARDI













ROBERT DANIELS LARRY DELGADO MARIA DELGADO

LINDA DICKEY LARRY DOTSON DIANE DUNN













STEVE DUNN BRENDA EMORY CINDY FINCH

IN CLASS WORK







ANTHONY FITCHETT VICTORIA FLORES REGINALD FLUELLEN

ALFRED GARCIA ANTHONY GARDNER CHARLOTTE GEORGE











DEBRA GIBSON GLORIA GOMEZ JACQUELINE GRAY

GUADALUPE GUZMAN





Rachel Jurgeson, Karen Beeson, Carol Rogers, and Debra Gibson are enjoying the everyday Westport gossip.

SENIORS LEARN

CONSTANCE HAYES CYNTHIA HILL MICHAEL HITZE













DEBBIE HOLLINGSHEAD CAROLYN HOLMAN MELISSA HORWEDEL

LENA HUDSON LINDA HUDSON TIMOTHY HUFFMAN













VIRGIL HUGHES EDWARD HUTCHESON CHERYL JACKSON

NEW SKILLS







DAN JACKSON DARRYL JACKSON FANNIE JACKSON

TERRI JACKSON MARYETTA JEFFERSON KAREN JEFFERY







SHELIA JOHNSON





Andy Rizzo tries his luck with macrame.

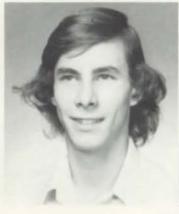
SCIENCE TECHNIQUES

GLENDA JONES RACHEL JURGESON JULIUS KAEDING













CHARLES KENNEDY JOSEPH KING BRADLEY LONG















VAUNGRECHEL MACK MICHAEL MADRIGAL JEFFERSON MARKRAY

INTEREST SENIORS







DONALD MARSH KIM MARTIN LEVRRLA MATTHEWS

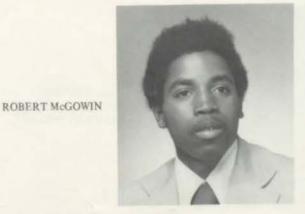
CAROLYN MAXWELL MARILYN MAXWELL DONALD McGEE







REGINA McGEE





Hope Lopez pretends to like human science.

GRADUATES KEEP

LORETTA MENDEZ CAROLYN MERINO RITA MEZINS













GREG MILLER DENISE MONTES ROSE MOORE

KEVIN MORRIS CHRIS MORROW MARY OLIVER













CARLTON OSBY MICHAEL PAIGE DOROTHY PHILLIPS

PHYSICALLY FIT







WENDELL PICKETT MICHAEL POPE MICHAEL PORTER

FERRIS POTTS RENARD PURNELL MARCELLO QUINONES







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LINDA RAINSBARGER





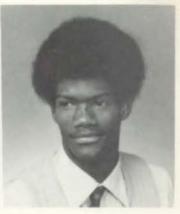
James Brown proves what the Westport coaching staff can do for the anatomy.

CLASS OF '76' FINDS

RAUL RAMIREZ CAROLYN RAMSOUR RAYMOND RHODES













SHERRY RICE SHERRI RICHARDSON MICHAEL RIGGS

TONI RIVERA JOHN RIZZO MICHAEL ROBINSON













MICHAEL ROBLEADO DAVID RODRIQUEZ ANTHONY ROFFLE

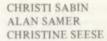
TIME TO COMMUNICATE







CAROL ROGERS BERNADETTE ROSBOROUGH NANCY RUSSELL









DOROTHY SELF





Tony Fitchett makes his move on Dotty Self.

ROOM FOR ROMANCE IN

ANNA SHACKELFORD JOLENE SHANNON JAMES SINGLETON





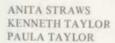








TERRY SKINNER VICTOR SMITH ELLEN STOCK















GRETA THOMPSON JAMES THORNTON WILLIE TOWNSEND

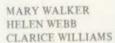
THE SENIOR CLASS







QUITA TUTT FERNANDO VERGARA DEBORAH VIEBROCK



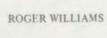








EARL WILLIAMS







Liz Alcanter and Mike Madrigal chuckle over a private joke.

GRADUATES EARN

MARK WILSON SANDRA WILSON LOUISE WORLAND













DEBORAH WYATT EUGENE WYATT VIVIAN WYATT







SUSAN YOUNG

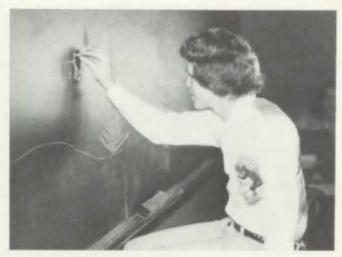


Marcello's muscles blend in with background.

THEIR DIPLOMAS



"What's the matter, boys, the car wouldn't start?"



Eddie Hutcheson studies English in his own way.



"Well, here I am?"



Karen Jeffery takes time out to cheese for the photographer.



Seniors relax after a hard day's work.



Linda Dickey considers college choices.

1975-76 SENIOR



FLIRT AND CASSANOVA: Tony Fitchett and Diane Dunn.



MOST ALL AROUND: Sharon Bettis, Debra Gibson, Anthony Roffle, and Helen Webb.



BEST ARTIST: Dan Jackson and Anita Hernandez.



MOST POPULAR: Michael Robinson and Debra Gibson.



CLASS CLOWNS: Cheryl Y. Anderson, Jackie Gray, and Joe King.

BALLOT



BEST DANCERS: Michael Paige and Shelia Johnson.



NICEST-SWEETEST: Raymond Rhodes and Bernadette Rosborough.



CONTRIBUTED MOST: Mike Riggs and Debra Gibson.



FIGURE AND PHYSIQUE: Earl Williams and Paula Taylor.



BEST DRESSED: Terri Jackson and Michael Robinson.



SMARTEST: Christi Sabin and Virgil Hughes.



HANDSOMEST AND CUTEST: Michael Robinson and Paula Taylor.



BEST INSTRUMENTALIST: Sharon Betti and Mark Wilson.

MOST TYPICAL: Terry Jackson and Mark Wilson.

SENIORS ARE PROUD TO



MOST SCHOOL SPIRITED: Debra Gibson, Michael Robinson, and Helen Webb.



BEST SINGER: Michael Robinson and Rhonda Craddock.



BEST ATHLETE: Debra Gibson and Earl Williams.

BE IN CLASS OF "76"



MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED: Cindy Finch, Mike Riggs, and Cherie Briscoe.



BEST PERSONALITY: Carlton Osby and Cheryl Y. Anderson.











UNDERGRADUATES

Truesdell, King Lead



The 1975-76 officers of the Junior Class are as follows: president, Stanley Truesdell; vice-president, Linda King; (left to right) and standing (left to right) are: Paula Thompson, secretary, and Theresa Thomas, treasurer.



Matt Brazeal and Maurice Lang help Carmen Vera increase her knowledge.

This year the Junior Class attempted to do something at Westport that has never been done before. That is to sponsor their prom without any major fund raising event. This eliminated the difficult task of trying to collect the money from irresponsible Juniors. By assessing each member of the Junior Class a certain taxation, they hoped to have the full amount paid which included the prom's dance, dinner, decorations and band. They also hoped that the success of the prom would set a new trend for all Junior Classes to follow.



Mrs. Munoz and Mrs. Hall are the sponsors of the Junior Class.

The Junior Class





Teresa Abi-Saab Susan Adams Dwayne Allen James Allen Mark Anderson











Robert Anderson Brenda Arfstrom Charles Bailey, Jr. Judy Banks John Barnes











Carmen Bell Karen Bentley Terry Birdwell Becky Blades Toni Blanford





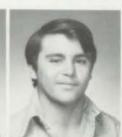






Janice Blaylock Sammy Bolder Alfonso Borja Matt Brazeal Brad Brenner











Mary Brenson Tracy Buckley Van Dale Burgin Victoria Calderon Patricia Cann











Linda Cantu Cassandra Capelton Anna Conchola Stephen Cosgrove Bill Cowhick







Linda King Finds 'True Friend'







Crutchfield,
Doreen
Cunningham, Elmer
Daniels, Vicki
Davis, Robert
Donnell, Delores











Duran, Diana Edwards, Maxine Ely, Lori Epps, Edward Finch, Charles











Frazier, Thelma Gaddy, Roy Gandara, Linda Garcia, Guadalupe Garcia, Janet











Garcia, Phyllis Garcia, Susan Gillespie, Leah Golston, Karen Gomez, Debbie











Griffin, Frederick Growney, Barbara Gutierrez, Alicia Hagan, Diana Grayson, Ronald











Hardy, Robert Harper, Karen Harris, Angela D. Harris, Robert Heim, Vernon





in Biology Specimen





Hernandez, Elizabeth Hernandez, Leonard Hernandez, Ramona Hernandez, Steven Hershel, Elaine











Higgins, Otha Hilsinger, Christine Hines, Dannielle Hitze, Carolyn Holden, Renata











Howlett, Vanessa Hughes, Donna Inness, Vicky Jeffery, Phyllis Johnson, Barry











Johnson, Jauwanna Johnson, Ted Jones, Cedric Jones, David Jones, Donald











Jones, Matthew Joy, Mary









"Mm-m-m, I wonder what he used to look like?" says Linda King.

Junior Women Overpower







Kinard, Claude King, Linda Knight, John Lang, Maurice Langley, Jeffrey











Lau, Ming Lawson, Ramona Lemm, Ricky Lewis, Anthony Lewis, John T.











Lloyd, Michael Looney, Florence Lowe, Ronald Mabery, Dennis Mack, Cedric











Macrae, Donald Magdaleno, Ronnie Martin, Marjorie Martinez, Rosa Mason, Linda











Mathis, Carmen Mathis, Tina Matthews, Levrrla McCay, Robert McClure, Janet











McDonald, Barbara McDonald, Marian McGee, Marsha McGinnis, Brenda McGowin, Rosalind





Their Men





Medellin, Juanita Medrano, John Mendez, Christine Metcalf, J. Hugh Metcalf, Joe











Montgomery, Steven Moon, James Morrow, Ronald Nelson, Karen Nesbitt, Mary











Nix, Darren Norwood, Terry Park, Sheila Parker, Claudia Perkins, Daniel











Peters, Ova Phillips, Steven Pickett, Mary Poe, Patricia Porter, Loretha











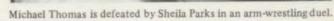
Porter, Peggy Pyle, Kevin



Ragsdale, Fred Ramirez, Magdalene







The Junior Life







Ramphal, Sydney Reed, Loretta Reliford, Arthaniel Rhodes, Richard Rhodes, Virginia











Roberson, Arettia Robinson, Wanda Robleado, Rosemary Rodriguez, Cecilia Rogers, Marie











Rollie, Debra Rollins, Gregory Rowland, Mark Russell, Naomi Saenz, Cielo











Sanders, Tyree Sandridge, Guy Santiago, Anita Santoya, Larry Sellars, Claudia











Skinner, Michael Smith, Ella Steele, Diane Stevenson, Anita Stock, John











Straws, Mike Stueven, Tamara Swearngin, Shawn Taylor, Felita Taylor, Linda





Can Be Tiresome





Thomas, Michael Thomas, Teresa Thompson, Paula Thornton, Lori Thorup, Dale











Tinoco, Teresa Torres, Mario Townsel, Paul Townsend, Teena Trejo, Mary









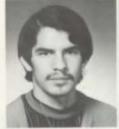


Truax, Donald Truesdell, Stanley VanMeter, Nancy Vasquez, Victor Vera, Carmen











Villalobos, Donald Villalobos, Ronald Villarreal, Richard Wade, Pearline Ward, Gregory









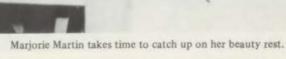


Washington, William Webb, Curtis





Weir, Anita West Maurice

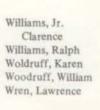


Juniors Continue To



















Wright, Benita Wyatt, Kenneth Young, Brian Zollar, Yolanda Enloe, Bradley







Larry, Joe Sanderson, Angelita





(Left) "Interviewing a star like Jim Nabors is not just an experience, it's a legendary memory," says Claudia Sellars. (Bottom Left) Don't you remember that I l-o-a-n-e-d this book to you?" explains Patty Poe to Mary Pickett. (Bottom Right) "Ugh, he got me," exclaims Brad Brenner.





Make Their Rounds



"Is it a flying tomato? . . . or a 747 potato? . . . No, it's Super Pickle!" says Robert McKay.



Darren Nix proudly exploits being an ROTC Tiger.



John Stock and Linda Gandara talk over their homework assignments.



Varsity cheerleaders Maggie Ramirez, Phyllis Garcia and Naomi Russell still say "Westport's Number 1."



Terry Birdwell and Paul Townsel rehearse their scene from "The First Militant Minister."



Paula Thompson and Claudia Sellars discuss a newswriting article.



The Sophomore Class Officers for 1975-76 are as follows: president, Zsa Zsa Gatlin; vice-president, Virginia Saenz; secretary, Sherita Goff; treasurer, Diane Rizzo; sgt. at arms, Derek Bryant.

Due to a change in sponsors of the Sophomore Class this year, the election of officers and business committee was delayed. Finally, however, the task was accomplished. It is impossible at this time to pinpoint definitely plans for the year because due to the late election of officers no business meeting has been held as yet. There can be no doubt, however, that this group of people will plan for the year carefully and carry out those plans in a very enthusiastic and satisfactory manner.

Sophomore Executives Make



Mrs. Thelma Bowen is sponsor of the sophomore class.



The Sophomore Business Committee consists of: Felicia Comacho, chairman; Sandra Embry, Mark Gomez, Diane Bly, and Gail Macrae.











Alaniz, Elisa Anderson, Ethelyn Anderson, Gloria Aragon, Max Aragon, Yolanda











Archie, Stephanie Arroyo, Rueben Bacon, Angela Bagby, Sylvia Barnes, William













Big Plans for the Year

Berry, Anthony Blades, Sandra Bland, Joseph Bland, Kenneth Blanford, Colonel





















Bly, Diane Bogle, Donald Borja, Luige Bowley, Gary Brotherton, William











Bryant, Derek Burns, Evanna Burnside, Ruth Calderon, Andre Collier, Phillip

Camacho, Felicia Cann, Steve Carpenter, Patricia Castilleja, Melinda Cheadle, Rodney











Clark, Gerald Cole, David Conchola, Helen Cook, Andrea Cook, Venny





















Corbett, Catherine Cunningham, James Cunningham, Margaret Cummings, Jeffrey Daly, Ben

A Curious Mind











Dando, Terry Dankert, Barbara Darr, Anna Davis, Lonnie Dean, Anthony

Despain, Wanda Dixon, Marcus Douglas, Carlin Dozier, Tina Dunn, Arthur











Dunn, David Edgman, Lewis Elam, Bryon Elias, Suzanne Ellis, Gary





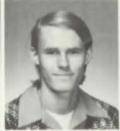
















Embry, Sandy Ewing, Marsha Felkner, Jerry Ferrel, Carmen Finch, Susan











Fluellen, Phyllis Freeman, Yolanda Garcia, Eliseo Garcia, Elsa Garcia, Jessie













Reflects a Good Student

Gomez, Michael Gomez, Mark Gomez, Ruben Gonzalez, Veronica Goodman, Karen















Gray, Kynette Greer, Edward





Greer, Rodney Guerra, Eugene



Kenneth Bland makes use of his time in the Resource Center.

Guzman, Roseann Hamilton, Sharon Hemphill, Russell Henderson, Diane Hernandez, Martin











Herrera, Thomas Herriford, Stephen Hewitt, Thomas Hines, Cynthia Hochstedler, Jeff





















Hochstedler, Roger Holden, Joe Hollins, Flonzo Holly, Tehresa Hubbard, Michael

Sophomores Have Several Reactions











Huffman, Thomas Hullingen, Donna Hutcheson, Dale Jackson, Anthony Jackson, Archie

Jacob, Juanita Jeffery, Sharon Johnson, Allison Johnson, Doristene Johnson, George











Johnson, Jerry Johnson, Judy Johnson, Michael Jones, Carol Kennedy, Bregeet





















Kinard, Joseph King, Cheryl Kyle, Daniel Lacey, Jerome Lacey, Warren











Laden, Richard LaMartina, John Lang, Michael Leapheart, Sheila Lee, Bradley













Towards the Resource Center

Martinez, John Matheny, Judy Medillin, Tina Mendez, Salvador Mendoza, Richard





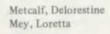














Miller, Carol Miller, Merril



Sherita Goff, Sandy Embry, and Diane Rizzo utilize their class time in the library.

Moon, Andy Moore, Mark Morris, Janeen Morris, Sheila Mounsey, Mary











Murillas, Adriana Murphy, Sherry McCay, William McClure, Kim McConnell, Stephanie





















McIntyre, David Mckenzie, William Mckenzey, Gloria Mckinzy, Kenneth McNealey, Antionette

Sophomores Look Forward











Nash, Daryl Nelson, Donnell Nelson, Joe Nunez, Steven Ochoa, Judy



































Pulido, Jeanette Rahija, Lucinda Reed, Archie Reed, Belina Richardson, Cynthia



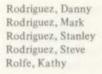








Richardson, Lavena Riley, Hubert Rizzo, Diane Robinson, Kenneth Rodkey, Nancy













To The Junior Year

Rollie, Carol Roofe, Fitabert Ross, Calvin Rowland, Lance Russel, Glen















Saenz, Virginia Samer, Mary









Teresa Walker and Alberta Thomas share source information.

Santillan, Girby Santillan, Mary Santoyo, Mary Seals, Karen Sexton, Sandra











Sharp, Denise Simon, Ben Simpson, Deborah Smith, Gary Snider, Patricia





















Snoderly, William Snyder, Rojina Spencer, Michael Stock, Tom Strickland, Paul

Sophomores Put a Little











Strather, William Sussi, Michelle Tamayo, Rozanne Taylor, Richard Thomas, Larry

Thomas, Crystal Thompson, Ronald Thrasher, James Thurman, Sandra Tinoco, Jeanette











Torres, Anna Townsend, Dara Truesdell, Sara Tuter, Lori Valdivia, Rita





















Vann, Homer Vasquez, John Vasquez, Jose Villarreal, Anthony Waite, Heather











Washington, George Waters, Angela Waters, Charles Wilkinson, Rebecca Williams, Aaron













Fun Into the Day

Wright, Angela Wright, Sharon Young, Diane Burnett, Larris









(Left): Cecile Hayden refers back to her notes. (Right): Sherita Goff says, "You have to want it to win it." (Bottom right): Sophomores take out a few minutes to have some fun.





Freshmen Work Toward Success



The 1975-76 Freshman Officers: (Left to Right) Sheila Piotrowski, treasurer; Karen Hoffman, Secretary; Sheila Haden, vice-president; Kathy Burtin, president.



William Freeman and Rhesa Davis were the freshman class sponsors.

A student's freshman year is the real beginning of his high school life. Independence and responsibility are the key factors to success at this point. With this, the student is expected to use them a little more than in junior high school, but he is not expected to use them as much as will be needed at the post-secondary level.

"Do I have a goal to attain? What do I want out of life? How do I relate my choice of courses to a career?" These are questions that should occasionally ponder the mind of the young freshman.

The freshman year is just another small point in life that could make a difference in one's desired goals.



The Freshman Business Committee: Front Row; Robert Milligan, Nikki Lumby, Julie Williams, Shirley Kenney, Asela Saenz. Back Row: Eric Burgin, Rebecca Esther, Karen Hoffman, Shelia Piotrowski, Pam Rainy.





Aber, Randy Abernathy, Erie Alaniz, Lydia Alcanter, Eileen Allen, Edward











Allen, John Anders, Mildred Anderson, Dale Anderson, Ernest Aragon, Belinda













Archuleta, Juanita Archuleta, Tina Ausler, Myurie Bailey, Stephen Baker, Laura











Bell, Azella Bennett, Carla Brent, Stephanie Brotherton, Joseph Brownlee, Virginia









Burnett, Preston Burns, Vernando Burtin, Kathy Calderon, Christopher Cantu, Danny











Carpenter, Brenda Castilleja, John Childs, Cathy Click, Brett Collier, Robin







New Discoveries







Cooper, Chris Cooper, Jacqueline Criag, Donald Creel, Johnnie Criss, Darryl









Crowder, Kivi Daughtery, Donna Davenport, Leslie Davis, Alfred Davis, Karl









Davis, L. T. Davis, Portia Dean, Daniel Deiter, Sandra Delgado, Mary











Douglas, Lee Douglas, Lee Doyle, Perry Duran, Anna Easley, Aaron













Edwards, Donald Esther, Rebecca Farnan, Edward Fay, Mark Flowers, Tammy











Fortune, Johnnie Foster, David Foster, Michael Freeman, Melanie Garret, William





Broaden Freshman Knowledge





Gibson, Esther Gonzalez, Gloria Gomez, Joe Gray, Craig Greer, Laura











Greer, Sheila Grigsby, Johnny Gutierrez, David Haden, Sheila Harden, Janie

























Harris, Ginger Harris, Nathan Henderson, Diane Hernandez, Cheryl Hershel, Greg









Higgins, Michele Hinton, Gary



Hoffman, Karen Holbrook, Melvin



"Mr. Lopez just has that way of making history a little easier to understand," says Tammy Flowers.



A Freshman Has to 'Steal Away' at Times







Howlett, Brenda Huffman, Terry Hullinger, Barbara Humphrey, Dallas Hutcheson, Danny









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Hutcheson, Lita Hutchinson, William Isaacson, Mary Jackson, Sonia Jackson, Sonya









Johnson, Alvin Johnson, Carl Johnson, Chaquita Johnson, Greta Johnson, Jessie











Johnson, Joseph Johnson, Victoria Jones, Diana Jones, Diane Jones, Gail













Jones, Mary Jones, Odene Jones, Otis Jones, Sylvia Juarez, Ricardo











Judson, Abbie Kennedy, Laura Kenny, Shirley King, Kevin Knighten, Jessica





to Find a Little Privacy





Lamae, Edith Lawson, Bertheia Lewis, Ivory Lewis, Mark Lloyd, John











Lopez, Marcos Lopez, Nick Lovelady, Julie Lowery, Darnell Lumby, Nikki













Luna, Raymond Lynn, Leslie Mack, Calvin Maloney, Jennifer Martin, Tonya











Martin, Wilbert Mayhue, Robert McCune, Larry McDonald, Robert McDonald, Robin









McGee, Wilma McIntyre, Steven



McKenzie, Clifford McKinney, Juliet



"Can't a guy even get a drink of water in private?" says Danny Hutcheson.

Kathy Burtin Calls







McKinzy, Tony McMullin, Ricky Meeks, Johnny Meeks, Mary Mendez, Monica











Mendoza, Richard Milbourn, Linda Miller, Charles Milligan, Robin Moore, Jana









Mora, Jessie Morrow, Cassandra Mounsey, Julie Murry, Nina Myers, Charles











Nash, Todd Nelson, Becky Nelson, Donnell Nelson, Marchelle Nelson, Rondell

























Osby, Ivory Oswald, David Parker, Richard Pecina, Sally Perez, Jerry





Frosh Meeting to Order





Phillips, Alan Phillips, Judy Pickett, Laura Pierschbacher, Barbara Piotrowski, Shelia











Porter, Loretta Porter, Roger Potts, Peggie Preston, Kevin Rainey, Pamela











Ramphal, Pearl Randall, Norman Raper, Rebecca Reese, Anthony Reliford, Brian











Rhodes, Paula Rice, Stacy Richardson, Michael Riley, Anthony Rios, Fred









Rizzo, Kathryn Roby, Chaquita



Roe, Jamesetta Rollie, Tammy



Kathy Burtin discusses her topics for the freshman executive board meeting with Sonya Jackson.

Freshmen Say Classroom Peers







Roofe, Arthur Rose, Darlene Rowland, Anna Rowland, Richard Sawnz, Isela











Salazar, Jamie Sanders, Darnell Sanders, Mary Sanderson, Calvin Sexton, Donald









Smith, David Smith, Kevin Smith, Melvin Smith, Randy Snoderly, Peter











Spears, Jay Stewart, Terry Stewart, Vivienne Stock, Jane Strickland, Cortez













Swartz, Charles Swearington, Clinton Taylor, Richard Thomas, Alberta Thomas, Jamie











Thomas, John Thompson, Donald Thompson, Tyrone Thorton, Beverly Truitt, Mary





Make the Best Buddies





Turner, Torie Valdivia, Jesusa Vallette, James Vasquez, Edward Vera, Edward











Vidauri, Chris Viebrock, Carol Villalobos, Judy Ward, Pamela Washington, Georgette

























Wilborn, Rose Wiley, Kathy Wilkinson, Joseph Wilerson, Shirley Williams, Charndra









Williams, Keith Williams, Kenneth



Williams, Kenneth Williams, Kenneth



Isela Saenz, Pearl Ramphall, and Dalls Humphrey stick to their studies, but Chaquita Roby must pose for the camera.



'Eighth Graders' Salute Our Bicentennial



THE 1975-76 EIGHTH GRADE OFFICERS: (Left to Right) Jackie Williams, president; Paula King, treasurer; Steven Riggs, vice-president; Dana M. Williams, secretary; Kevin Shumate, sergeant-at-arms.



Mr. Jerry K. Roark was eighth grade sponsor this year.



Sometimes, Coretha Taylor gets "tickled to death" over her class assignments.

In this, our Nation's Bicentennial, eighth graders at Westport have taken part in many activities since our orientiation in August. We began with the election of class officers in October, participated in the many clubs and organizations which Westport has, and spent many long enjoyable hours in December working on our annual Christmas Basket Drive.

Mr. Jerry Kent Roark celebrated his fourth year as Eighth Grade Class Advisor. Along with his teaching Eighth Grade English and Social Studies, serving a third term as Chairman of the Social Studies Department, spending countless hours filling in the North Central Reports for the two major committees he served as Chairman for Library & Media Services and Social Studies Department, Mr. Roark still managed to have time to enjoy and explain to his students his work as a CB operator. His call is KHV-2862 and he goes by the handle "KANSAS CITY PUG." This is not only a hobby, but he is a member of the Kansas City Missouri Police Department's ERS Unit and spends several nights a year out on stakeout during the Christmas season. As students, we enjoyed the times he brought his set to school and explained how we could get involved in the CB program which is one of the many ways our teacher and sponsor showed us how we could become involved and further the "SPIRIT OF AMERICA."

We would like to dedicate the rest of our page to the "Magic of America" for America is many things. It is a mood, a state of mind, a philosophy. America is laughter, the giggle of school-girls, the happy shouts of boys at play. The ghosts of great heroes walk the halls of America's memory: Richard Henry Lee, Patrick Henry, Davy Crocket, Ben Franklin, Washington, Lincoln, Jefferson, and Harry S. Truman.

America is Thomas Edison, Walt Whitman, Charles Lindbergh, Amelia Earhart, Babe Ruth, Bing Crosby, Willie Mays, and Hank Aaron. America is The Mayflower, The Boston Tea Party, Bunker Hill, Valley Forge, Gettysburg, The Alamo, and Omaha Beach.

The 1976 Eighth Grade Class salutes you America on this our Bicentennial of 1776-1976. America is a magic mixture of all the people of the world and what finer tribute could we close with than the words Kate Smith has made so famous: "GOD BLESS AMERICA!!"

The Officers of the Class of 1980 Jackie Williams—Class President

-200 Years of America'



Allen, Adam



Alonzo, Susie



Ames, Caryl



Anderson, Donald



Anderson, Lorri



Anderson, Marion



Anderson, Marshawn



Anderson, Slyvia



Anthony, Ella



Archie, Stanley



Arfstrom, Eric



Bailey, Gwendolyn



Bell, Amette



Bland, Tyrone



Brashear, Daynen



Brown, Clyde



Brown, David



Brown, Edward



Brown, Lester



Buchanan, Marsha



Burnett, Preston



Burns, Larry



Burton, Mickey



Cantu, Angie



Carithera, Timothy



Carmons, Juan



Carpenter, Donna



Carroll, Laura



Chapman, Harold



Chase, Peggy



Chavez, Jaime



Chavez, Mark



Cole, Elizabeth



Collins, Keith



Crayton, Darrell



Crutchfield, Sheron

Andrese Enters Westport



Culbert, Herraldo



Cunningham, Billy



Dando, Sherry



Davis, D. C.



Davis, Paula



Davis, William



Delgado, Eddie



Delgado, Randy



Dixon, Sharon



Dixon, Tonya



Donald, Gregory



Dunlap, Terry



Dunn, John



Duryea, Patricia



Embry, Robin



Felkner, Gary



Ferdinard, James



Finch, Shari



Floyd, Barbara



Fluellen, Valerie



Foglesong, Jennifer



Fortune, Glen



Fosten, Ryland



Frazier, Elnora



Freeman, Edward



Freeman, Pamela



Fry, Walter



Garcia, Jesse



Garcia, Juanita



Gardner, Marilyn



Gatlin, Frank



Gibson, Benjamin



Gipson, Lelia



Gray, Glenda

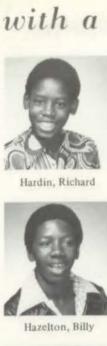


Green, Zachary



Guerra, Ramon

with a Smile















Hayden, Chris

Hayes, Billy

Hayes, Teresa













Hendricks, Carl

Hernandez, Jeanette

Hernandez, Patrick

Herrera, Andrew

Hill, Andrese







Hill, Kenneth







Hobbs, Carey

Holly, Lonnie







Humphrey, Olivia



Andrese Hill doesn't see class work as "all work and no play".





Hutchinson, Perry

Innes, Kevin



Jackson, Debbie



Jackson, Gary



Jackson, Josephine



Jackson, Katherine



Jackson, Melvin



James, Archie



Jarris, David



Jenkins, Joel



Johnson, Derrick



Johnson, Alvin



Johnson, Gregory



Johnson, Jo Ann

Newcomers Get Together













Johnson, Valindrela

Jones, LaMont

Jones, Lucretia

Jones, Milton

Juarrez, Christina













Kepner, Willie

Kinard, Leira

Kinard, Lewis

King, Deno

King, Kevin

King, Paula













King, William

Lakeman, Christie

Lamartina, Jerry

, Jerry Leapheart, Pamela

Lee, John

Lee, Tina







Lewis, David



Lewis, Jamie











MacRae, Mary







Marshall, Steven



Mayhure, Franky



Merino, Victoria



Metcalf, Jerry



Meyers, Betty



Miller, Carla



Moore, Johnna



Morales, Frank



Morgan, Shirley



Morrison, Jamiela



Morrow, Brian

During the After Hours

Porter, Alvin



Pratt, Sherlene

Potts, Randy

Raper, Cheryl

Ramirez, Joseph

Proctor, Connie

Class of '80 Looks Forward



Redman, Juanita



Reliford, Brian



Rhodes, Gertrude



Riggs, Steven



Rimbey, Rebecca



Rivera, Daniel



Roach, Debra



Roberts, Marjorie



Robinson, Brenda



Robinson, Tina



Rodriguez, Gabriel



Salazar, Virginia



Samer, John



Santiago, Sonia



Santoyo, Chris



Scott, Susan



Sexton, Howard



Shackelford, Nathan



Sharkey, Laurie



Shumate, Kevin



Singleton, Yvonne



Skaggs, Jeanette



Skinner, Timothy



Spears, Betty



Strickland, Christine



Stippich, John



Summers, Charles



Swearngin, Sam



Taylor, Coretha



Terrill, Timothy



Thebo, Diana



Thomas, Daryl



Thomas, Fayodis



Thompson, Terry

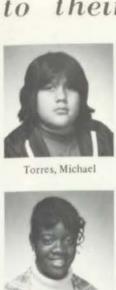


Thurman, Lewis



Tinoco, Gabriel

to their Freshman Year





Townsend, Willie



Truesdell, Mike



Turner, John



Van Alst, Donald



Vasquez, Martha



Wade, Helen



Wade, Willie



Waite, Neal



Watkins, Patricia



Wells, Camille



Wells, Toni



Wheeler, James



Wheeler, Lenard



Williams, Alan



Williams, Brenda



Williams, Dana



Williams, Jackie



Williams, Kevin



Winfield, Gwen



Wilson, Mary



Winston, Robert



Wright, Price



Wyatt, Lotonya



Wymore, Denise



Young, Linda



Freshman Williams, Linda



Freshman Williams, Michael



Freshman Williams, Richard



Freshman Wilson, Gregory



Freshman Winston, Kathy



Freshman Wyatt, Dheryl



Freshman Wyatt, Kim



Freshman Yarmush, Dianne

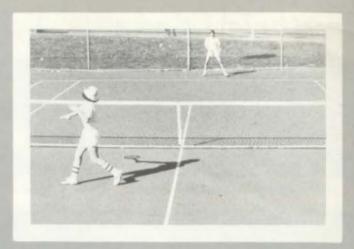


Freshman Young, Nancy



Freshman Zollar, Pamela











COMPETITION

Tigers Generate



Varsity Front Row: Rubin Batrez, Maurice Lang, Joe King, Alfred Garcia, John Vasquez, Kenny Bland, Earl Williams, Allen Pickett, Micheal Hubbard, Van Burgin, Stanley Rodriguez. Second Row: Coach Murphy, Ralph Williams, Charles Waters, Mathew Jones, Mark Rodriguez, Donny Bernal, Dennis Mabery, Carlos Luna, Robert Davis, Mark Wilson, William Brotherton, John Barnes, Coach Voelker. Back Row: Joe Bland, Anthony Gardner, Kenneth Taylor, Kim McClure, William McKinzy, Micheal Spencer, John Stock, Brett Blades, Ova Peters, Steve Montgomery, Dale Hutcheson, Mike Gomez.

This year's football team combined a small number of returning lettermen with a lot of sophomores and juniors. That small number of returning lettermen and many inexperienced players contributed to the inconsistent performance of the Tigers. But, the experience received by these young men will be valuable in the future.

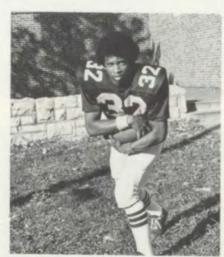
There were many bright points in the season, however, as Westport brought home two victories. There were also outstanding players in the different games throughout the season.



Tiger defense on the move.



Coach Murphy and Coach Voelker talk about the last game.



Earl Williams Senior Halfback



Alfred Garcia Senior Halfback

Offense Against Van Horn



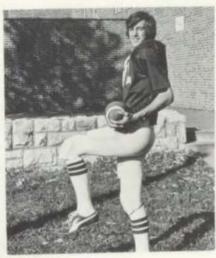
Anthony Gardner Senior Guard



Mark Wilson Senior Guard



Kenneth Taylor Senior Tackle



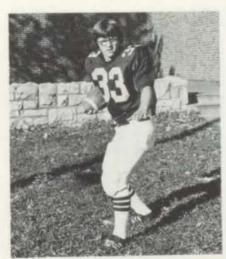
Brett Blades Senior End



John Barnes prepares to pitch the option to Earl Williams.



Joe King Senior Linebacker

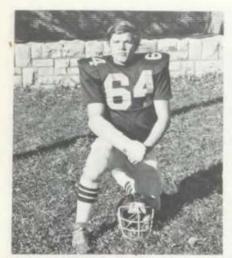


Allen Pickett Senior Fullback

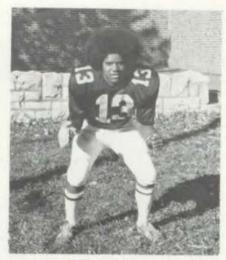


John Barnes Junior Quarterback

Coaches Talk to



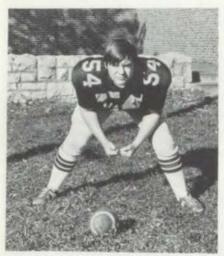
Robert Davis Junior Guard



Maurice Lang Junior Linebacker



John Stock Junior Tackle



Mathew Jones Junior Center



Dennis Mabery Junior Guard



Van Burgin Junior Linebacker



Brett Blades, Earl Williams, and Anthony Gardner confer with Coach Murphy and Coach Voelker.



Kenneth Bland Sophomore Fullback

Seniors Before Practice



Ova Peters Junior End



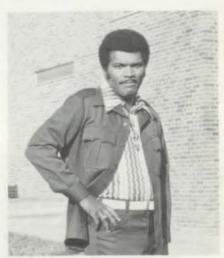
Tigers Work Hard at Summer Practice



Matt Brazeal Junior Guard



William Washington Junior Safety



Coach Charles Harris



Steve Montgomery Junior Tackle



Joe Bland Manager



Alfred Garcia puts a foot to one.

Coach Harris Assists



Offense; (Left to Right), Joe King, John Stock, Earl Williams, Mark Wilson, Mathew Jones, John Barnes, Kenny Bland, Anthony Gardner, Alfred Garcia, Kenneth Taylor, Brett Blades.



Defense; (Left to Right), Alfred Garcia, Kenneth Taylor, Brett Blades, Kenny Bland, Robert Davis, Joe King, Mark Wilson, John Barnes, Maurice Lang, Anthony Gardner, Earl Williams.

with Varsity Team



J.V. First Row: Rubin Batrez, Maurice Lang, Stanley Rodriquez, John Vasquez, Kenny Bland, Micheal Hubbard, Van Burgin, John Barnes, Second Row: Ralph Williams, Charles Waters, Mathew Jones, Mark Rodriquez, Donny Bernal, Dennis Mabery, Carlos Luna, Robert Davis, William Brotherton, Back Row: Kim McClure, William McKinzie, Micheal Spencer, John Stock, Ova Peters, Steve Montgomary, Dale Hutcheson, Manager Mike Gomez, Coach Voelker.

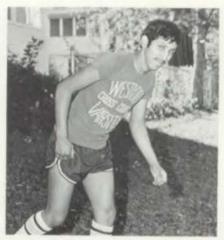


Freshmen First Row: Joe Brotherton, John Thomas, Mark Fay, Brett Click, Keith Williams, Cliff McKenzie, Marcys Lopez, Second Row: Coach Rivera, Carl Johnson, John Castijella, Steve Bailey, Greg Herschel, Richard Mendoza, Back Row: Mike Richardson, Joe Wilkinson, Darryl Criss, David Oswald, John Creel, Jamie Salazar, John Valette, Coach Lopez.

Varsity Men



Mark Anderson JUNIOR



Larry Delgado SENIOR



Fred Griffin JUNIOR



Joe Metcalf JUNIOR



Greg Miller SENIOR



Ferris Potts SENIOR



SENIOR



Paul Townsell JUNIOR



Stanley Truesdell JUNIOR

Experience Good Season



Anthony Villarreal SOPHOMORE



Richard Villarreal JUNIOR

Westport 50) Southeast	45 O'Hara	29			
Westport 3	Southwest	28				
Westport 19	Central	38				
Westport 31	East	24				
Westport 18	3 Central	42 Manual	92			
	Paseo	99 Lincoln				
			116			
Liberty	104	4th of 14				
N.W.M.S. University						
	57	1st of 10				
Ruskin	69:10	12th of 30				
Van Horn	83	1st of 7				
City League	3rd of 5					
District Lea	igue					

5th of 15



Coach Davis gives team pep talk before meet.

This was the second season of the Westport Cross Country team under the direction of Coach Rhesa Davis. The Tigers won two first place trophies and won four meets.

The squad had a very promising future with almost an all junior team. Stanley Truesdell proved to be the best junior in the interscholastic league by taking second place in the city meet, being defeated only by senior John Smith of East High School.

Cross Country has become a growing sport and should be a winning sport in future years at Westport,

Cross Country is sorry to lose its four seniors: Captain Greg Miller, Larry Delgado, Ferris Potts, and Ray Rhodes.



The Varsity Cross Country Team; Front Row: Fred Griffin, Paul Townsell, Greg Miller, Anthony Villarreal. Second Row: Randy Delgado, Mark Anderson, Larry Delgado, Joe Metcalf, Richard Villarreal. Third Row: Ray Rhodes, Ronnie Magdaleno, Ferris Potts.

JV Makes First in Their League



Back Row: Coach Rhesa Davis, Clarence Williams, Jerry Felkner, J. H. Metcalf, Richard Laden, Second Row: Robert Hardy, Robert Anderson, Merle Miller, Ronnie Magdaleno, Third Row: Eugene Guerra, Tom Stock, Fred Resos, Ronald Grayson.

Westport 37 O'Hara 24 Southeast

Westport 17 Southwest 44 Westport 15 Central 48 Westport 21 East 39

Westport 28 Lincoln 52 Paseo 63 Central 57

Westport 77 3rd of 8 Liberty Invitational Westport 46 1st of 7 Van Horn Invitational Westport 26 1st of 5 J.V. League Championship

Although the Freshmen Cross Country team had only three runners, they made a good showing at the city league meet. Ivory Osby and Roger Hochstedler both received medals. Edward Allen suffered an injury. These runners will be the future nucleus of the Westport Cross Country Team.



Greg Miller, Larry Delgado, and Mark Anderson proudly display first place Varsity and Junior Varsity trophies from the Northeast Invitational meet.



Standing: Ivory Osby, Coach Davis, Edward Allen, Kneeling: Roger Hochstedler.

Wrestlers Pin To Victory



Varsity Wrestling Team

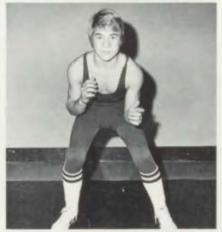
First Row: Raul Ramirez, manager; Mark Fay, Anthony Villarreal, Stanley Rodriguez, Ronnie Magdaleno, Alfred Garcia, Mike Riggs. Second Row: Coach Lopez, Kenny Bland, Robert Anderson, John Stock, Robert Davis, Tony Gardner, Bill Brotherton, Coach Rivera.

Losing twelve seniors, this wrestling season served as a rebuilding year. With only three seniors, a young varsity squad set out to challenge one of the toughest schedules ever faced by a Westport team. Considering this schedule and the youth of the team, the Tigers had a relatively successful season, compiling a record or 6-6-1, with one match remaining in the season. This year's league tournament should prove to be successful, as the Tigers have defeated all Interscholastic League teams they've wrestled, and placed higher in the Belton Tournament (4th) than the other league teams participating.

Individually, Tony Gardener had the best record on the squad, losing only two of his matches the entire season. Tony placed third in the Shawnee Mission South Invitational, and second in the Belton tournament. He is also favored to take the City tournament. First-year sophomore, Kenny Bland, also had an outstanding season, defeating a number of tough opponents

and landing a second place finish at Belton.

Next year should prove to be a good season for the wrestlers, losing only three seniors and having a lot of good talent returning.



Mark Fay Freshman

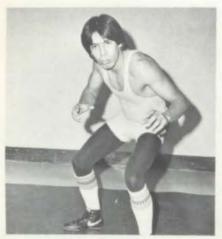


Anthony Villarreal Sophomore



Stanley Rodriguez Sophomore

Tigers Show



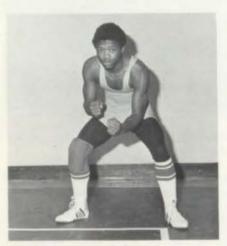
Ronnie Magdeleno Junior



Mike Riggs Senior



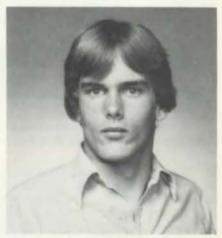
Alfred Garcia Senior



Kenny Bland Sophomore



Robert Anderson Junior



John Stock Junior



Robert Davis Junior



Tony Gardner Senior

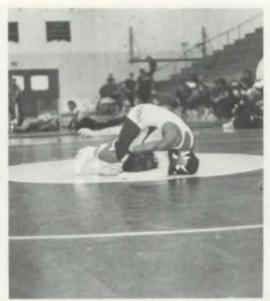


Bill Brotherton Sophomore

Ability on the Mat



Robert Davis drives his opponent to the mat.



Kenny Bland cradles a wrestler at Shawnee Mission South.

Westport	36	Pem Day	36
Westport	39	S. M. East	30
Westport	19	Rockhurst	39
Westport	46	Ward	18
Westport	24	O'Hara	39
Westport	6	S. M. South	50
Westport	31	S. M. East	30
Westport	42	East	21
Westport	12	St. Joe Central	49
Westport	6	Park Hill	50
Westport	48	St. Joe Lafayette	18
Westport	29	Van Horn	27
Westport	18	St. Mary's	37





Tony Gardner and Tony Villarreal-two Tigers triumph.



Stanley Rodriguez prepares for battle.



Tony Gardner controls the match.

Junior Varsity Shows Depth



Junior Varsity Wrestlers

First Row: Mike Creole, Eddie Vera, Tom Stock, Randy Delgado, Steve Cann, Russ Hemphill. Second Row: Van Burgin, Ronald Grayson, John Vasquez, Jose Vasquez, David Mackentyre, Joe Brotherton. Third Row: Coach Lopez, Mark Rodriguez, Matt Brazeal, Mike Richardson, Kim McClure, Mike Spencer, Mike Hubbard, Mike Oswald, Richard Villarreal, Coach Rivera.

This year, as has been the case the last few years at Westport, the wrestling team has had good participation, providing good depth for the junior varsity squad. The JV wrestlers, like the varsity, have faced a tough schedule, and they have acquired a 7-6 record, with one remaining match.

The wrestlers have shown that that have the ablilty to compete with the best teams. With hard work and dedication, they will be successful in forming a strong varsity team next year.



Alfred Garcia prepares for the kill.

These young athletes are coached by Mike Rivera and Joe Lopez, as are the varsity.

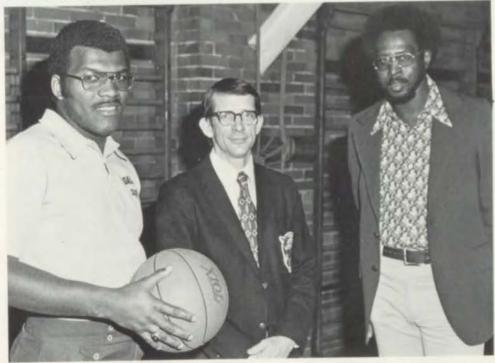


Kenny Bland breaks down his adversary.

Tigers Dribble To Victory



Varsity Basketball Team
Front Row: Edward Washington, manager; Carlton Osby, Ray Rhodes, Flonzo Hollins, Ferris Potts, Darren Nix, manager. Back Row: Michael
Thomas, Fred Griffin, Greg Miller, Coach Peterson, Steve McKay, Walter Martin, Stanley Truesdell.



Basketball Coaches Charles Harris, freshman coach; Art Peterson, varsity coach; Kenneth Williams, junior varsity coach.

The 1976 Varsity Basketball Team proved that Westport could be number one when they took the first place trophy at the Interscholastic League Tournament. With great team spirit and hustle, they didn't stop there, but went on to defeat many top-rated teams. This year's team was the first to win over eleven games in one season in ten years.

Teamwork, Experience Give Tigers Winning Results



Coach Peterson congratulates captain Ray Rhodes for the team's fine game performance and winning of the Inter-scholastic league first-place trophy.

Winning doesn't revolve around the person who makes the most points, but the team as a whole. Individual qualities make the team, but teamwork was the backbone to the winning streak for the varsity team. Most of the players have played 'roundball' for two or more years.



Fred Griffin Junior Guard



Greg Miller and Stan Truesdell test their tactics in the Blue and Gold game



Ray Rhodes plots his shot.



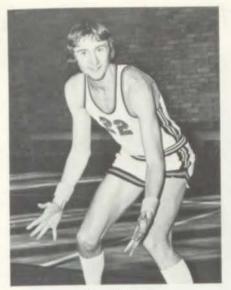
Flonzo Hollins Sophomore Forward



Walter Martin Senior Guard



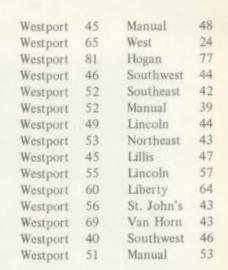
Steve McKay Junior Forward



Greg Miller Senior Guard



Carlton Osby Senior Forward

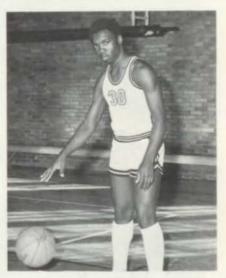




Ferris Potts Senior Forward



Ray Rhodes Senior Forward



Michael Thomas Junior Guard



Stanley Truesdell Junior Forward



Mr. Curtis gives the final congratulations to Ray and the team.

J.V., Freshmen Build



Junior Varsity Basketball Team

Kneeling: Byron Elan, Ronald Thompson, Arthur Dunn, Joseph Kinard, Steve McKay, David Dunn, Back Row: Coach Williams, Michael Lang, Clarence Williams, Ova Peters, Rodney Greer, Anthony Jackson, George Johnson, J. Hue Metcalf, Maurice Lang, Rubin Batrez, George Washington.



The Junior Varsity Tigers take a quick time out.

The J.V. and Freshmen Basketball teams of 75-76 presented great potential. For the varsity teams of the future they have shown quickness, hustle, and desire to win against all teams.

The freshman team was coached by Charlie Harris. They proved that they were a united and well-balanced group.

The J.V. Tigers, coached by Kenneth Williams has a good chance of winning the 76-77 Interscholastic League Trophy.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes was revised in December of this year. They were sponsored by Mr. James Voelker.

For Winning Tradition



Freshman Basketball Team
Kneeling: Kevin Williams, Greg Hershel, Lee Douglas, Kivi Crowder, Kenneth Williams, Kevin Sanders, Lester Davenport, Ivory Osby, Wilbur Martin, Standing: Todd Nash, Kenneth Williams, Robert McDonald, Tino Burns, Jeff Ford, Fred Holbrook, John Castilleja, Coach Harris.



Fellowship Of Christian Athletes
First Row: Van Dale Burgin, Steven Montgomery, Merrill Miller, Brett Blades, Donny Bernal, Second Row: Kim McClure, Rubin Batrez, Kenny Bland, Ronald Grayson, Wendell Pickett, Mark Rodriguez, Robert Davis. Third Row: Richard Villareal, James Brown, Billy Brotherton, Maurice West, Joey Brotherton, James Voelker, Larry Delgado, Greg Miller, John Barnes, Carlos Luna.

Weightlifting Builds Athletes



Weightlifters

First Row: Larry Delgado, Wendell Pickett, Matt Brazeal, Ronald Grayson, Stanley Rodriguez. Second Row: Carlos Luna, Marcus Lopez, Steven Montgomery, Carl Johnson. Back Row: Michael Spencer, Bill Brotherton, John Barnes, Jeff Langley, Michael Hubbard, Kim McClure.

This was Westports third year of competing in the Interscholastic League. This year Westport did well with a young team. The primary goal in weight training is to build up an athletes body for strength, endurance and speed. The team consists mainly of members of the football, wrestling, and track teams. Weightlifting was coached by Pat Murphy and he was assisted by James Voelker.

On January 31, Westport took second place at the East Invitational with Jeff Langley, Earl Williams, Reggie Fluellen, and Carl Johnson placing first.

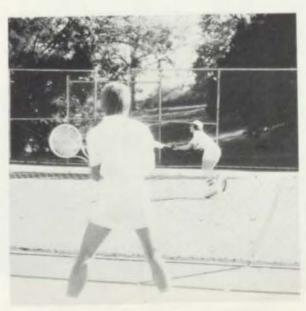


Tennis Team Shows Promise



Tennis Team
Front Row: Donald Macrae, Mike Creel, Brad Brenner, Merril Miller, Marcelo Quinones, Craig Gray Back Row: Sherita Goff, Robert Smith, Barbara Growney, Gail Macrae, Brett Click, Connie Hayes, Robert Hardy, Jaime Salazar, Coach Art Peterson

The 1976 Westport Tennis Team had many new and inexperienced players. This might have handicapped the varsity season, but made a good novice team. Returning from last year to fill the varsity spots were Mike Riggs, Brad Brenner, Merrill Miller, and Marcelo Quinones. The year provided a challenging and active season for the tennis team. Art Peterson coached the teams.



Merrill Miller awaits Brad Brenner to return the ball.



Team Members: Mike Riggs and Mark Anderson

Track Team Starts Young



The Varsity Track Team

Kneeling: John Barnes, Ronald Grayson, Carl Johnson, Robert Elias, Mike Richardson, Dale Hutcheson. Front Row: Wendell Pickett, Joey Brotherton, Larry Delgado, Anthony Villarreal, Merril Miller, Roger Hochstedler, Coach Harris. Back Row: Jerry Felkner, Kenneth Taylor, Mark Wilson, Michael Norwood, Jeff Hochstedler, James Brown, Coach Davis.

Although this year's track team was still a team building for the future, they have shown great improvement over the last year, especially through the depth of the distance team.

For the first time in several years the tigers have the same coaches they had the preceding year. Also, school support for the team is much larger.

But team participation has decreased somewhat due to improper facilities, less dedication, and track is the last sport of the season, so, many students want to rest, without realizing that this may be their last chance to achieve many goals.

Despite all these handicaps, the Westport Track Team will still come through for many years to come.



Michael Hubbard leaps over low hurdles.

Field Events Team Grows Strong

The field events team of '76 was very young and inexperienced. Despite this, it has individuals who show great promise for the future teams of Westport.

Under the leadership of Coach Voelker, the field events team will bring back the winning traditions at Westport.



This year's track coaches are; Rhesa Davis, distance; Charles Harris, sprints; and Robert Voelker, field events.



Field Events Team.

First Row: Merrill Miller, Mark Rodriguez, Larry Delgado, Mark Wilson, Darryl Criss. Second Row: Carl Johnson, John Barnes, Billy Brotherton, Kennith Taylor, Steve Montgomery, Kim McClure, Coach Voelker.

Table Tennis Develops Talent



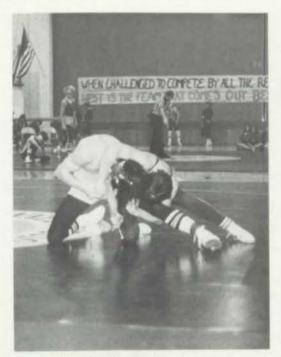
Row 1: Sidney Ramphall, Brett Click, Barbara Growney, Diane Hagan, Cheryl A. Anderson. Row 2: Bill Snoderly, Ming Lau, Merrill Miller, John LaMartina, Mr. Gillespie.



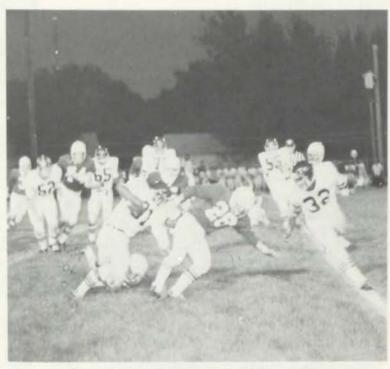
Ming Lau hits a hard forehand shot.

Westport's Table Tennis Club developed a fairly strong team which competed against other interscholastic teams. Even though a city title hasn't been won in the few years of existence, the team won a number of matches and developed a lot of individual talent. The coach for table tennis was Mr. Gillespie.

Westport Athletics Keep The Pace



Mike Riggs slips clutches of opponent.



Kenny Bland runs for goal while Earl Williams assists.



Ray Rhodes jumps for two, while Paul Townsel awaits rebound.



Brad Brenner shows strength in serve



Distance men run on to victory.













INVOLVEMENT

Tiger Den Chooses Dream Girl



PRINCESS Miss Christi Sabin

PRINCESS Miss Patricia Alcanter

PRINCESS Miss Cindy Finch

PRINCESS Miss Debra Jones

Football Players Vote Sherri Queen



Homecoming Queen



HOMECOMING QUEEN Miss Cheryl Y. Anderson

Stands Out



PRINCESS Miss Sharon Bettis



PRINCESS Miss Jackie Gray



PRINCESS Miss Terry Jackson



PRINCESS Miss Cindy Finch

Victoria Reigns Supreme as ROTC Queen



Miss Cheric Briscoe

PRINCESS Miss Cheryl Y. Anderson

PRINCESS Miss Clarice Williams

Officers 'Jam' at ROTC Ball



Clarice Williams is amazed by the good sound of the band.



John Castro proudly dances with ROTC Queen Victoria Florez.



Diana Hagan and Larry Delgado pause for a breather.



Mark Wilson and his date, Sheryl Morton, enjoy the warm atmosphere of the ball.



Music is provided by the Dynamic Invasion band.



"You're a sly one" says Vickie Calderon to Don Ashworth.



Toni Rivera and Kenneth Tolbert wait for the next dance.

The 1976 annual ROTC Ball was held this year at the Continental Hotel. Westport shared this formal affair with the Knights of Southeast High School. The evening's festivities included the announcing of Miss Victoria Florez as ROTC Queen, and the officers were presented with their dates.



Sharon Bettis looks the place over while Kenneth Taylor makes conversation.

Westport Proudly Presents



First Row: Carolyn Hitze, Judy Banks. Second Row: Phyllis Jeffery, Teena Townsend, Peter Kennedy, Darren Nix. Third Row: Leah Gillispie, Sylvia Jones, Raul Ramirez, Kevin Morris, John Medrano. Standing: Mark Wilson, Sherita Goff, Phil Collier, Edward Allen.



Majorettes: Kneeling: Sharon Bettis; Feature Twirler. Standing: Mary Joy; Captain; Teena Townsend, Phyllis Jeffery.

This year's Senior Marching Band, which is also the Concert Band, participated in many activities including Kansas City's first Bicentennial Parade and, of course, the annual American Royal Parade. The band also played at many of the varsity football games, giving two field performances.

The Concert Band made much effort to perform as much as possible by giving selections at the Bow and Horn programs, the Christmas Homecoming assembly, and it's annual grade-school tour.

Its Concert, Marching Band



First Row: Mary Joy, Tori Turner. Second Row: Sharon Bettis, Jeff Langley, Mary Isaacson, Carl Johnson, Joe Gomez. Third Row: Barbara Growney, Michael Straws, Joe Holden, John Castro, Nancy Van Meter, Standing: Mr. Duane Miller, Director; Marcelo Quinones, Drum Major.

Slightly increased in number from last year's membership, the band has made progress in bettering its musical techniques.

Also performing with the band were the Westport Majorettes, who are members of the band. Leading the band in performances was the Drum Major, Marcelo Quinones.

Mr. Duane Miller has been the director for all the instrumental music groups for fourteen years. He teaches at Westport during the fourth, fifth, and sixth hours.



Mr. Miller raises his baton to lead the band.

Prospective Musicians



Stage Band

First Row: Sharon Bettis, Jeff Langley, Max Aragon, Joe Gomez, Darren Nix, Second Row: Marcelo Quinones, Kevin Morris, Nancy Van Meter, John Castro, John Medrano, Mike Straws, Joe Holden, Barbara Growney, Mark Wilson, Phyllis Jeffery, Mr. Duane Miller.



Cadet Band
(Left to Right) Ryland Foster, Lonnie Holley, Michael Torres, Roman Guerra, David McDonald, Gerald Maloney, Herman Penix Jr., Christi Lakeman, Debra Jackson.

Strive For Perfection



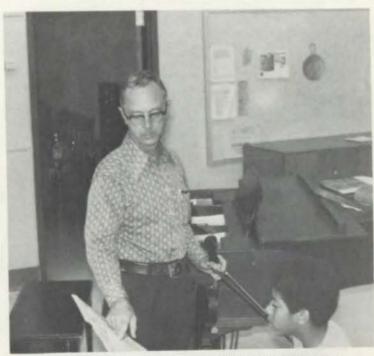
Senior Orchestra
(Left to Right) Luc Nguyen, Cheryl Anderson, Jerome Lacey, Kevin Morris, John Medrano, Nicki Lumby, Mary Joy, Michael Spencer. Standing:
Mr. Miller.

The Stage Band, Cadet Band, and Senior Orchestra were also organizations of the instrumental music department. These classes were held during the 4th, 5th, and 6th hours.

Stage Band is made up of members of the Senior Band as a type of extra-curricular activity. Each year they participate in city festivals, and the Bow and Horn programs.

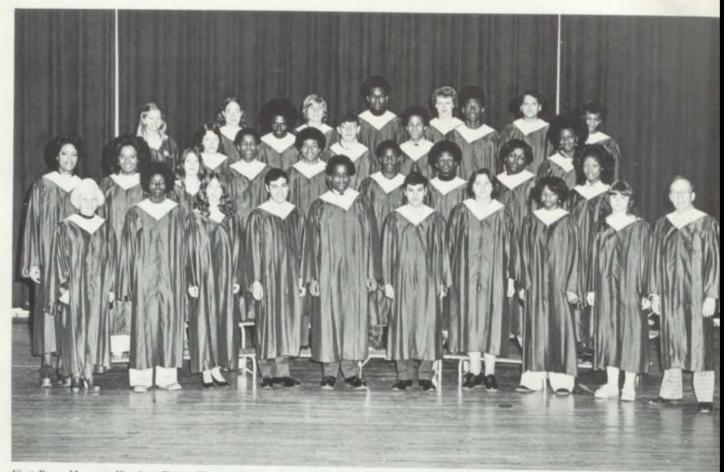
Eighth-graders made up the Cadet Band. They were put in Cadet Band as a preparatory course to Senior Band.

Slightly increased in number this year was the Senior Orchestra. The orchestra accepts both upperclassmen and eighth graders.



Mr. Miller explains pianissimo to eighth-grader, Lonnie Holley.

Choir Meets Many Demands



First Row: Margaret Henrion, Teresa Thomas, Melissa Horwedel, Mark Gomez, Craig Gray, Rueben Gomez, Susan Finch, Anita Straws, Belinda Reed, Mr. Donovan Mabbott. Second Row: Rhonda Craddock, Janet Collier, Brenda Mcginnis, Daryl Nash, Gary Hinton, Darriel Sanders, Anthony Dean, Rosemarie Moore, Cherie Briscoe, Third Row: Deborah Mabery, Russell Cummings, Todd Nash, Delores Metcalf, Fourth Row: Michael Robinson, Richard Rhodes. Fifth Row: Mary Anderson, Gail MacRae, Johnnie Creel, Dan Jackson, Eddie Hutcheson, Naomi Russell, Sharon Wright.



Girls in the Glee Club take five.

The Westport Acappella Choir found itself in great demand this year. The choir gave performances this year at the Fourth Annual Choir Church Tour, at the PTA Open House, with the Manual Acapella Choir at the Philharmonic Orchestra Concert, in a Christmas grade school tour, at the City Hall, the Westport Square, and at the Homecoming assembly.

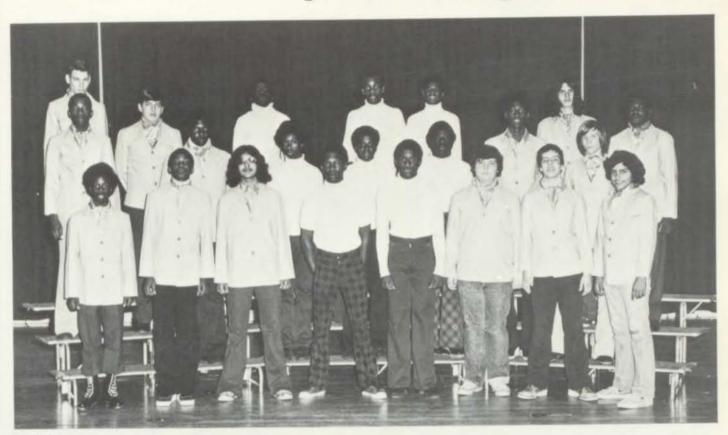
The Girls Glee Club and the Boys Glee Club acted as feeders to the choir.

This year Dan Jackson was selected to participate in the all-state choir. This is his second year as an all-state choir member.

All credit for the choir's success should be given to Mr. Donovan Mabbott, Westport Choir Director. Mr. Mabbott has been choir director for over six years. Not only was he respected for his care of the school choir, great teaching ability, and fine directing, but he was looked up to as a friend.

Ms. Margaret Henrion was the choir accompanist this year.

'Glee' Sweeps the Atmosphere



Boys Glee

First Row: Richard Obie, Kevin Vernon, Girby Santillian, Melvin Holbrook, James Thrasher, Edward Farnan, Thomas Hewitt, Jaime Salazar, Second Row: Samuel Bolder, Jimmy Oliver, Clifford McKenzy, Eric Burgin, Richard Rhodes, Robert Elias, Third Row: Michael Gross, Jeff Cummings, Richard Williams, Anthony Louis, Dale Anderson, Donald Thompson, Robert Anderson. Fourth Row: Mike McGrath.



Girls Glee

First Row: Linda Gochenour, Edith LaMae, Stephenie McConnell, Rebecca Raper, Barbara Pierschbacher, Sandy Deiter, Linda Milbourn, Second Row: Kim Wyatt, Thelma Frazier, Guadalupe Garcia, Danielle Hines, Lori Ely, Marie George, Diane Bly, Stephanie Archie, Barbara McDonald. Third Row: Angela Kindered, Linda Carroll, Paula Taylor, Pauline Wilson, Denise Perkins, Savanna Hudson, Claudia Parker, Christi Huneke. Fourth Row: Diana Duran, Denise Montes, Carlin Douglas, Sonya Jackson, Joy Larry, Cecilia Watson, Marilyn Owens.

ROTC Cadets Win



COLOR GUARD

Felicia Camacho

Daryl Nash

Evanna Burns

Joe Bland

Top City Positions



Battalion Staff
Seated, Left to Right: CDT. Darren Nix (SGM) CDT. Cherie Briscoe (s-3), CDT. Michael Robleado (Battalion XO), CDT. Bruce Brenner (Battalion Commander), CDT. Russell Cummings (S-1), CDT. Vermon Heim (S-4). Standing, Left to Right: CDT. Melissa Horwedel, (Women's Drill Team Commander), CDT. John Castro (Corps of Cadets Commander), CDT. Virgil Hughes (Corps of Cadets Command Sergeant Major), CDT. Donald Ashworth (Men's Drill Team Commander).

ROTC continued its winning ways this year. Integration in the most integrated unit anywhere, went one step further. Men and women were grouped together in companpanies for the first time, and it worked well.

Leaders from squad up were assigned by ability regardless of sex. After the initial shock of women first sergeants, platoon leaders, etc., or women reporting to men, the battalion settled down to continue the march.

The Tigers were commanded this year by Bruce Brenner and, aided by a very capable staff, he steered the cadets to a profitable year.

John Castro and Virgil Hughes proved a real boost when they captured the coveted corps commander and command sergeant major positions for the unit. This is only the second or third time in the fifty-eight year history of ROTC in Kansas City that one unit has had both positions.

The Tigers and the Kansas City Corps of Cadets had a new leader this year. Lieutenant Colonel Nathaniel A. Field, Jr. took over as director of instruction in October. Under his very capable guidance and leadership, the Battalion and corps surged ahead.

Besides winning trophies and recognition, the unit went about its business of building men and women with pride and dedication, ready and willing to take their rightful place in society.



John Castro and Virgil Hughes give each other that "Tiger Grin" after receiving the top ROTC positions in the city.

Tiger Drill Teams Excel



Men's Drill Team

Kneeling: Lawerence Delgado, John Castro, Kevin Morris, Russell Cummings, Raul Ramirez, Mark Wilson, Reginald Fluellen, Standing: Michael Obie, Bruce Brenner, Michael Robleado, Virgil Hughes, William McKenzie, Robert Daniels, Daryl Nash, Kenneth Taylor, Darren Nix, Donald Ashworth, CMDR., Anthony Berry, (not shown)



Women's Drill Team

Front Row: Melissa Horwedel, CMDR., Diana Hagan, Cheryl Y. Anderson, Lori Tuter, Renata Holden. Second Row: Carmen Ferrell, Cheryl Jackson, Patricia Carpenter, Felicia Camacho. Third Row: Cherie Briscoe, Phyllis Fluellen, Diane Bly, Evanna Burns, Felita Taylor, Victoria Flores.

Honor Guard Represents Westport



Mayor's Honor Guard Front Row: (Left to Right) Raul Ramirez, John Castro, Bruce Brenner, Felicia Camacho, Reginald Fluellen, Cherie Briscoe. Second Row: Christina Mendez, Renata Holden, Michael Robleado, Melissa Horwedel, Cheryl Y. Anderson, Vernon Heim. Third Row: Susan Finch, Phyllis Fluellen, Cheryl Jackson, Russell Cummings, Lawrence Delgado, Mark Wilson. Fourth Row: Diana Hagan, Donald Ashworth, Darren Nix, Evanna Burns, Virgil Hughes, Robert Daniels, Daryl Nash.



A Company

Front Row: Cheryl Jackson, Cheryl Y. Anderson, Reginald Fluellen, CMDR., Raul Ramirez, Mark Wilson. Second Row: Edward Vera, Regina Brown, Kathleen Rolfe, Daniel Dean, Darnell Lowery, Patricia Carpenter, David Gutierrez. Third Row: Carmen Ferrell, Robert Anderson, Delores Donnell, Gary Lemm, Belinda Reed, Walter Coppage, William McKenzie, Susan Finch. Fourth Row: Kenneth Robinson, Phyllis Fluellen, Felita Taylor, Michael Bagby, Diana Young, Tina Dozier, Frances Louis, Margaret Cunningham.

Companies Go Co-Ed



B Company

Front Row: Kevin Morris, Kenneth Taylor, Lori Tuter, Robert Daniels, Renata Holden. Second Row: Stanley Harper, David Smith, Reuben Gomez, Eliseo Garcia, Gail Jones, Larry McCune. Third Row: Zema Gardner, Victoria Flores, James Thrasher, Fred Rios, Calvin Sanderson, Christina Mendez, Fourth Row: Cheryl A. King, Wanda Robinson, Diane Bly, Michael Norfleet, Raymond Luna, Janet McClure, Joseph Wilkinson.



C Company

Front Row: Kevin Preston, Tony Berry, Diana Hagan, Lawrence Delgado, CMDR., Michael Obie, Robert Davis, Patricia Snider, Michael Gomez. Second Row: Eugene Guerra, Sandra Thurman, Kevin King, Janie Harden, Craig Gray, Melanie Freeman, Mark Gomez. Third Row: Linda Carroll, Carl Johnson, Josie Brown, Charles Summers, Denise Perkins, Michael Williams, Barbara Pierschbacher. Fourth Row: Elmer Stillwell, Gregory Wilson, Gary Bowley, Archie Redd, Brenda Carpenter. Fifth Row: Donnell Nelson, Richard Taylor, Todd Nash, Jeffery Cummings.

Art Club Receives New Name



Betty Ortner Art Club. Front: Kevin Shumate, Brian Morrow, Tyrone Bland, Eliso Garcia, Back: Jessie Garcia, Heraldo Colburt, Mr. Don Zimmerschied, Dan Jackson.

This year the Art Club was re-named the Betty Ortner Art Club in memory of the instructor who devoted so much of her time to this organization.

The Betty Ortner Art Club encourages an interest in the arts, works on projects not included in the curriculum, and helps decorate the school throughout the year.



Girls Bowling Team. Standing: Mrs. Hines, Debra Gibson, Ramona Lawson, Barbara Growney, Barbara McDonald, Diana Hagan, Kneeling: Heather Waite.

The girls bowling team opened their second year by placing second in their league out of six schools in the league. Members of the team bowl for their own enjoyment and experience.

Diana Hagan had the highest bowling average of 170 points. Helen Webb bowled the highest game with 200 points. The team was the only one this season to defeat Van Horn.

C.O.E. Students Make Big



First Row: Guadalupe Guzman, Maria Delgado, Mary Anderson, Jacqueline Gray, Anna Butler, Jeanette Rollie, Brenda Emory, Kim Martin, Mr. Burns. Second Row: Leonard Hernandez, Sherry Rice, Janice Collier, Tony Dillworth, James Allen, Peter Kennedy, Timothy Huffman. Third Row: Michael Pope, Edward Hutcheson, Anthony Roffle, Anna Shackelford, Linda Dickey, Larry Dotson.

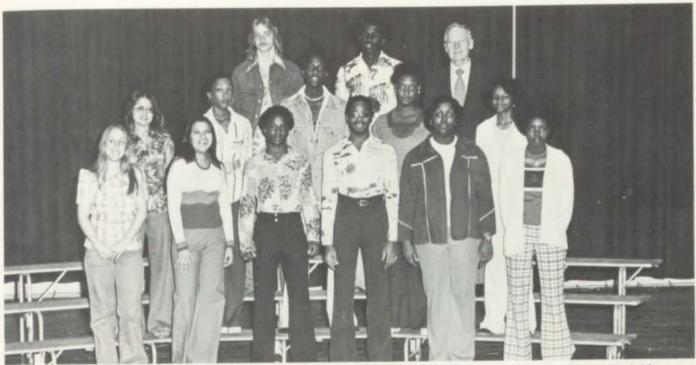


Susan Young prepares herself for the business world.

What is C.O.E.? C.O.E. is a program designed for students to learn and earn at the same time, C.O.E. stands for Cooperative Occupational Education. Both in class, and at work students learn about different types of jobs, interviewing for jobs, and getting along with people on the job. C.O.E. provides experience to students while they are still in school.

This years C.O.E. classes consisted of 85 students. The teachers were Mr. Burns and Mr. McClernon. This was Mr. McClernon's first year at Westport. In C.O.E., students are also taught by guest speakers. They had several speakers including a personnel manager from Macy's, a lawyer form St. Louis, and a police officer from the Kansas City Police Department.

Plans For the Future



First Row: Susan Young, Anita Hernandez, Reginald Fluellen, Fred Ragsdale, Rose Maria Moore, Regina Jones. Second Row: Rachel Jurgenson, Terry Jackson, Eugene Wyatt, Cheryl Jackson, Anita Straws. Third Row: Michael Hitze, James Brown, Mr. McClerndon.



First Row: Dorothy Phillips, Debra Jones, Diand Dunn, Fernando Vergara, Karen Jeffrey, Debra Wyatt, Willie Townsend. Second Row: Virginia Rhodes, Jolene Shannon, Cheryl Y. Anderson, Paula Taylor, Wilma Jackson, Diane Craddock. Third Row: Edwin Borja, Sherri Richardson, Hope Lopez, Michael Madrigal. Fourth Row: Mr. Burns, Charles Kennedy, Curtis Howlett, Robert Anderson.

Students Rank High



Student Council Executive Board

First Row: Mike Riggs, president; Alfred Garcia, vice-president; Virgil Hughes, treasuree; Ramona Lawson, secretary; Don Ashworth, secretary; Mark Fay, Sgt.-at-Arms, Second Row: Mrs. Burtin, David Rodriguez, Sharon Bettis, Christi Sabin, Richard Brenner, Mr. Moore.

The Student Council welcomed two new sponsors, Mrs. Gladys Burtin and Mr. Terry Moore. This year it continued to provide for students the Homecoming Dance and Parade, the Bookstore, managed by Christi Sabin, a new P.A. system in the auditorium, the bi-monthly film festival, and it also sponsored a Christmas orphan.

This year's Student Coun-cil Executive Board, consisted of nine members; the officers and committee chairmen.

"Scholastic Centum" is an organization sponsored by the American Association of University Women. Originally it consisted of 100 girls (10 from each high school). Now the membership totals 120, but the original name of the club continues.

The current qualifications are girls from the top rank of the Senior Class, who plan to enter college in September, and who want to participate in the club activities.

Mrs. Amelia Lockwood is sponsor for Westport High School. Mrs. Burtin and Mrs. Holley, are co-sponsors in our school.



100 Girls

First Row: Cindy Finch, Cheryl A. Anderson, Dorothy Self, Chris Seese, Christi Sabin, Mrs. Burtin. Second Row: Mrs. Holley, Quita Tutt, Sharon Bettis, Susan Lutjen.

in Scholarship and Leadership



Honor Society

First Row: Officers Tamara Steuven, treasurer; Ming Lau, secretary; Virgil Hughes, vice-president; Richard Brenner, president. Second Row: Lori Ely, Susan Lutjen, Patti Corbett, Quita Tutt, Sharon Bettis, Cindy Finch, Dorothy Self. Third Row: Lori Thornton, Phyllis Jeffery, Ramona Lawson, Cedric Jones, Mike Riggs, Alfred Garcia, Christi Sabin, Chris Seese, Mrs. Neuhaus. Fourth Row: Linda King, Brad Brenner, Donald Ashworth, David Jones, Edward Borja, Mike Robleado, John Castro.

Last February, Westport received its charter membership for the National Honor Society. This year's officers were elected at last year's final meeting.

Members of the National Honor Society were selected on the basis of scholarship, character, leadership, and service by faculty members. To be considered for the organization, students were required to have a minimum grade average. Seniors, (after seven semesters, starting with the freshman year) needed a 3.0+ grade average, juniors (after five semesters) a 3.3+, and sophomores (after three semesters) a 3.5+.

The purpose of the organization was to promote high standards of achievement in the four areas from which members were selected (scholarship, character, leadership, and service). This year, the Westport chapter worked on the establishment of a tutoring program here at school.



Future Teachers of America

First Row: Felicia Camacho, Rebecca Esther. Second Row: Sheila Piotrowski, Lori Tutor. Third Row: Vivienne Stewart, Hope Lopez, Sherri Richardson, Karen Hoffman. Fourth Row: Mr. Terry Moore, sponsor.

Mr. Moore, the sponsor, was heard to have said, "Where are our Future Teachers of America?" This year there were only 12 members.

The Future Teachers of America offered students the chance to be of service to the school, and to explore the teaching field. The club also sponsored an orphan at Christmas, and assisted in such activities as the Homecoming, baccalaureate, and graduation.

Future Teachers of America helped students to understand teaching responsibilities both in and out of the class room.

Clubs Venture Into New Activities

The officers were elected for the American Field Service as follows: Ramona Lawson, president; Nancy Van Meter, vice-president; Susan Lutjen, secretary; and Maxine Edwards, treasurer.

Activities for 1975-76 included the sponsoring of a Christmas orphan, selling notecards to raise money for a foreign exchange student, and having a Foreign Student Visitor's Day in March.



American Field Service

First Row: Susan Lutjen, Charlotte George, Rickey Williams, Brenda McGinnis, Sheila Piotrowski. Second Row: Nancy VanMeter, Dan Jackson, Lori Ely, Tami Stueven, Mrs. Claudette Bartle, Sponsor.



French Club

First Row: Sandy Embry, Rebecca Esther, Cielo Saenz, Lori Ely, Cheryl A. Anderson, Mrs. McClenahan. Second Row: Sheila Piotrowski, Diana Hagan. Third Row: Brenda McGinnis, Dan Jackson, Linda King, Becky Blades, Gary Hinton, Clinton Swearngin.

The French Club was engaged in various events during the school year. Some of their activities were: sponsoring the Christmas orphan, having dinner at the Tour d' Argent at the Top of the Towers, helping with the Haunted House on Halloween, and making plans for the Foreign Language Club Volleyball Game and a picnic in the spring. A roller skating party was organized as well as the plan to see a French movie at the Art Gallery. Fund raising was accomplished by selling posters.

Officers for 1975-76 included: Lori Ely, president; Dan Jackson, vicepresident; and Diana Hagan, secretary-treasurer.

Languages Join Hands



Active as it was in the past, Spanish Club had an annual Christmas party for all its members, and its annual vollevball game in which it challenged all the language clubs. Spanish Club sponsored an orphan and entered a float in the Homecoming Parade. Money-making projects enabled the club to see several movies. Also, one of these money-making projects helped with the Haunted House, which all of the language clubs sponsored. The clubs joined again at the end of the year for a picnic.

Spanish Club Row 1: Mary Alvarez, Brad Brenner, Christi Sabin, Felicia Camacho. Row 2: Cheryl A. Anderson, Charlotte George, Richard Villarreal, Susan Lutjen, Miss Linda Pearson, (sponsor) Don Macrae, Sheila Haden.



German Club
Row 1: Tami Stueven, President; Ming Lou, Vice-president; Peter Snoderly, Tonya Martin, Secretary; Maxine Edwards, Julie Mounsey, Carol Viebrock. Row 2: David Jones, Brett Cliek, Debbie Viebrock, Treasurer; Vivan Stewart, Mrs. Claudette Bartle, (sponsor).

The German Club was very active this year. They participated in such activities as the "Haunted House" on Halloween, attended a movie which was called the "Hindenberg", and also sponsored a Christmas orphan. During the second semester, the German Club went to a German Restaurant called the "Berliner Bear."

Organizations Provide New Explorations



Audio Visual Left to Right: Mr. Baysinger, Donald Truax, William Woodruff.

The Red Cross is dedicated to helping others. This year's members engaged in activities such as sending cards and letters to students and faculty who are ill, learning about first aid, and tutoring students who are slow in learning on a one-to-one basis. Morssie Edgerson was the Red Cross Sponsor.



Red Cross
First Row: Yolanda Zollar, Lori Tutor, Second Row: Charoltte
George, Teena Townsend. Third Row: Cherie Briscoe. Fourth
Row: Connie Hayes, Don McCray, Ramona Lawson.



Chess Club Clint Swearngin, Gary Payne, Jerry Felkner, Ming Lau, David Jones, Steven Riggs, David Rodriguez, Donald MaCrae, Mrs. Farris, Mrs. Young.

The Chess Club is an organization solely for the enjoyment and experience of students. It meets once a week and they hold a second place trophy from the Interscholastic tournament.

Forensics, Debate Take on New Challenges



Forensics Team
First Row: Charlotte George, Terry Birdwell, Debra Gibson, Naomi Russell, Second Row: Sheila Leapheart, Diane Rizzo, Mrs. Anne Rivera. Third Row: Paul Townsel, David Rodriguez, Bev Thornton, Cathy Rizzo, Cecile Hayden, Robert McCay.



Debate Team Seated: Andy Rizzo, Sandy Embry, Debra Gibson, David Rodriguez, Back: Cecile Hayden.

Students Give Time and Energy



Tiger Den

First Row: Mr. Rivera, Rita Mezins, Tyrone Bland, Debra Gibson, senior officer; Claudia Sellars, junior officer. Second Row: Raul Ramirez, Patricia Cann, Carmen Ferrell, Mark Wilson. Third Row: Naomi Russell, Barbara Growney, Vickie Calderon. Fourth Row: Teena Townsend, Yolanda Zollar, Nancy Van Meter. Fifth Row: Linda Taylor, Regina Brown. Sixth Row: Sherita Goff, Barbara McDonald, Cherie Briscoe. Cheryl Jackson. Seventh Row: Marcelo Quinones, Chris Seese, Vivienne Stewart, Cindy Finch, Lois Hardy, Ronald Grayson, Rebecca Esther, Anna Rowland.



Library Assistants

Seated: Mrs. Wilson (librarian) Standing: Massie Bradford, Patti Corbett, Mary Alvarez, Vickie Calderon.

For Worthwhile Results



For the last six years the Christmas Basket Committee has conducted a food drive at Christmas time for needy families. This committee is made up of Westport students and faculty who spend three weeks at Christmas collecting food and money from local businessman. This year's Christmas Basket Drive fed over 156 families including more than 750 children.

Christmas Basket Drive
First Row: Andy Rizzo, Kevin Shumate, Sara Truesdell, Rodney Cheadle, Yolanda Zollar, Susan Lutien. Second Row: Isela Saenz. Susan Garcia, Vickie Calderon. Third Row: Tina Mendez, Carman Vera, Anna Conchola, Phyllis Garcia, Debbie Gomez. Fourth Row: Diane Rizzo, Maggie Ramirez, John Barnes. Fifth Row: Robert Davis, Karen Hoffman, Rebecca Esther, Sheila Piotrowski. Sixth 1 Row: Richard Villareal, Carol Rogers, Paula Sexton. Seventh Row: Matt Brazeal, Mark Anderson, Barbara Growney, Eighth Row: Larry Batrez, Jeff Langley, Marcelo Quinones, Brad Brenner, Linda King, Don Ashworth, Robert McKay, James Brown, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Davis, Mr. Voelker.



Quill And Scroll
Seated: Cherie Briscoe, Dotty Self, Regina Adams, Debra Gibson, Tracy Buckley, Cindy Finch. Standing: Marcelo Quinones, Mark
Anderson, Becky Blades, Mike Riggs, Richard Brenner, John Castro, Wynaya Kennedy, Phyllis Jeffrey, Sharon Bettis, Naomi Russell.

Pep Club Lettersweaters Make a Comeback



Pep Club

First Row: Yolanda Zollar, Jamiela Morrison, Barbara Growney, Cherie Briscoe, Jolene Shannon, Susan Lutjen. Second Row: Zema Gardner, Cheryl Jackson, Carmen Ferrell, Cheryl Y. Anderson. Third Row: Wynaya Kennedy, Pam Freeman, Mark Gomez. Fourth Row: Peaches Anderson, Debbie Hollingshead, Cindy Finch, Sherri Richardson, Chris Seese. Fifth Row: Vickie Calderone, Don Ashworth, Marie Rogers, Virgil Hughes, Raul Ramirez, Larry Delgado, Sherita Goff, Maggie Ramirez, Phyllis Garcia, Debra Gibson, Nonie Russell.



For the first time since 1973 the Pep Club had a squad of lettersweaters. These girls spell out WEST-PORT and were produced to encourage spirit for the basketball season.

LETTERSWEATERS

- '76-Debra Jones, senior rep.
- W-Cherie Briscoe, pres.
- E-Yolanda Zollar, vice-pres.
- S-Susan Lutjen, sec'y
- T-Cheryl Jackson, bus. man.
- P-Pam Freeman, 8th grade rep.
- O-Jolene Shannon, parliament.
- R-Cheryl Y. Anderson, sgt.-at-arms
- T-Carmen Ferrell, soph. rep.
- '76-Dorothy Phillips, senior rep.

Varsity Cheerleaders Exercise Spirit



Sherita Goff



Phyllis Garcia



Debra Gibson



Naomi Russell



Maggie Ramirez

This year's Varsity Cheerleading squad excelled in many different ways. They promoted spirit at football and basketball games and at all pep rallies. These girls attended camp the past summer in Marshall, Missouri. They received outstanding, excellent and superior ribbons. Although the girls did not bring home a spirit stick, they cheered on with much vigor and enthusiasm. Not only did they experience different ways of cheering and promoting school spirit, they also shared different ideas and concepts of high school life.

Junior Varsity Squads Supplement Spirit

Although attendance did improve this year at the Junior Varsity football and basketball games, the Junior Varsity Cheerleaders were always there shouting out spirit, performing their stunts and leading the crowds to cheer on the teams.

It was believed that the squads new uniforms of royal blue with gold stripes aided in student interest and attendance at the Junior Varsity games.



Junior Varsity Cheerleaders
Kneeling: Wanda Santigo, captain; Back: Sonya Jackson, Carlin Douglas, Julian Santillan.



Junior Varsity Tigerettes

Tiger: Nicki Lumby, Kneeling: Cathy Rizzo, Felicia Camacho, Mary Pickett, Standing: Terri Tinoco, Mary Isaacson, Susan Garcia. Back: Sally Pecina.

First introduced to the school at the Wrestling-Basketball assembly in early November, the Junior Varsity Tigerettes succeeded in achieving recognition as spirit promoters for the Junior Varsity Wrestlers.

Originally, Tigerettes helped with scorekeeping, paperwork, and statistics at wrestling matches, but for the past two years have served also as a cheering squad.

Pom-Pon Girls, Drill Team Step Into Action



Pom Pon Girls

Front: Sheila Johnson, captain; Jamiela Morrison, Linda Taylor, Zema Gardner, co-captain. Back: Sharon Wright, Peaches Anderson, Patricia Cann.

Only in their second year of existence, the Pom-Pon Girls boosted spirit by marching in the annual American Royal and Football Homecoming parades, and performed occasionally at the basketball games, "gettin' down" with their fancy dance routines.

In the past few years, the Drill Team has had a tough

time remaining in existence and being a stable organization because of lack of support and sponsorship. Yet, this year the Drill Team, sponsored by Mrs. Edgerson, had a very successful year. The members performed regularly during the year stepping proudly and responding to the commands of their captains.



Drill Team

First Row: Karen Nelson, captain; Verna Burns, Elaine Hershel, Georgette Washington, Donna Hughes, co-captain. Second Row: Diane Steele, Wynaya Kennedy, Venessa McGee, Janie Lewis. Third Row: Ruthie Burnside, Kathy Burtin.

Publication Staffs Introduce Prospective Journalists



Sharon Bettis, editor-in-chief of the HERALD and copy editor for the CRIER, types copy for the yearbook while Marcelo Quinones, assistant editor of the HERALD and photographer for both staffs, proofreads for corrections.



Susan Lutjen, editor-in-chief of the CRIER and underclassmen editor for the HERALD, listens to new ideas for the newspaper from Cherie Briscoe, assistant editor for the CRIER and index editor for the HERALD.

The school newspaper, the WESTPORT CRIER, and the yearbook, the HERALD, are two of the oldest publications of the Kansas City schools, The HERALD has been in publication for seventy-two years, and the CRIER, sixty-four years.

The staffs are made up of juniors and seniors who have shown interest in journalism and have good english averages.

Mrs. Opal Heatherly has sponsored both staffs since 1968.



HERALD and CRIER sports editors Robert Davis, Mike Riggs and Mark Anderson discuss the sports page.



John Castro, advertising manager for the CRIER and HERALD staffs, shows Richard Brenner, business manager for the HERALD, how to do "real" business.



Debra Gibson and Naomi Russell, activities editors for the HERALD, go over their lay-outs.



Senior editors for the HERALD, Dotty Self and Christine Seese, look over senior candids with Cindy Finch, editor of the queen section of the HERALD.



Carol Patterson, reporter for the CRIER works on her feature story.



Regina Adams, exchange editor and reporter for the CRIER, talks over lay-outs with Paula Thompson, reporter for the CRIER.



Phyllis Jeffrey, Wynaya Kennedy, and Barbara Growney, underclassmen editors for the HERALD, work diligently on their section.



Backy Blades, reporter for the CRIER, Tracy Buckley, business manager for the CRIER, and Claudia Sellars, reporter for the CRIER, go over their list of advertisers for the Christmas issue.

1975 Prom Crowns Miss Devotion



Darrellynne Brown is crowned "Miss Devotion. Her attendants (right to left) were Caron Moss, Anita Margo, Frances Webb, and Melinda Kaeding.

The 1974-75 prom was held at the Arrowhead Inn. The theme was "True Devotion" and it was brought out with the beautiful colors, blue and silver. Music was provided by the "Dynamic Invasion" band. The high light of the prom was the crowning of Darrellynne Brown as "Miss Devotion."

The after-party was held at King Louie West. Many students and teachers enjoyed bowling, iceskating, and pool. The evening was one to be cherished and remembered by all who attended.



Tony Rizzo hesitates before his next shot.



Anita Margo and Bonnie Phelps watch while other players shoot.



Jackie Gray, Regina Adams, Dorothy Phillips and Mike Lupe enjoy the festivities.

Mrs. Heatherly Keeps Students 'Off' Their Feet



'There are nineteen of you on the floor!'



The 1975-76 Quill and Scroll Officers; president Debra Gibson; treasurer, Marcelo Quinones; secretary, Cherie Briscoe; reporter, Susan Lutjen; vice-president, Sharon Bettis.

Thinking of a theme for the annual Quill and Scroll banquet was no easy job for the 1974-75 Quill and Scroll officers. It would have to be good because it was a special occasion. Teachers, parents, administrators, special guests, and friends would all be there for the dinner, program, and unveiling of the new yearbook.

"Use something we can all relate to," one person said. The tension was unbearable. No one could think of anything "Get busy, there are nineteen of you on the floor!" said Mrs. Heatherly, sponsor of both the CRIER and HERALD staffs.

We all paced the floor. There wasn't much time left. We had to think of an appropriate theme. Again there was another outburst a "SIT DOWN! GET BUSY! THERE ARE NINETEEN OF YOU ON THE FLOOR" came from Mrs. Heatherly. A smile warmed the face of the Quill and Scroll president, Leah Russell. "I've got it," she said . . .

The night of the banquet, one of the members of the staff explained the theme to the audience, Mrs. Heatherly laughed and then gave us 'that' smile to let us know we wouldn't get killed. She then turned to the teacher sitting beside her and said, "I don't remember ever using those words in my life!"

The National Quill and Scroll Society was formed for the high school students proving to be good, prospective journalists. This year the National Quill and Scroll celebrated it's 50th year anniversary.

Members of both the CRIER and HERALD staffs are eligible to be honorary members of the National Quill and Scroll Society if they had attained a grade point average of 2.5. These students were then initiated after the first semester, and attend the annual Quill and Scroll banquet at the end of the year.

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Betty Schultheis Ortner was an art teacher at Westport for 17 years. She was at Westport only 1½ weeks this year, when she became ill and did not teach after September 3.

Mrs. Ortner died at Sherman Hospital, Houston, Texas, December 8, 1975.

She was a friend to all of the teachers, but was especially close to those in the Art Department. Mr. Zimmerschied has known her for five years. They worked as sponsors of the Art Club. By the leadership of Mrs. Ortner, each year an orphan was adopted. Before teaching at Westport, Betty Ortner taught arts and crafts at the Kansas City Recreation Department. See received a master of science degree and attended Kansas University and the Art Institute at the University of Missouri at Kansas City.

"She believed in individualizing instruction. Students worked on projects of their own choice," says Mr. Zimmerschied, "She was alsays interested in the students welfare.

Betty Ortner was interested in making the school more attractive. She helped to organize many clean-up campaigns."

A regular supporter of the Plaza Art Fair, she has also traveled in an art circle in Kansas City and was rather well known for her paintings, especially her water colors. Some of the murals here at Westport, such as the one in the stairwell on the west side, were made under the direction of Betty Ortner. Another mural made under her direction is located directly across the street from Westport.

"As well as being an accomplished ceramist, the most important characteristic of Mrs. Ortner was the love she had for her students. She never said anything bad about one of them . . . and had a tremendous respect for people," added Mr. Pond.

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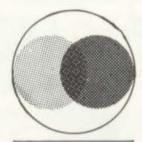
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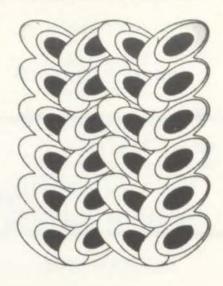
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