

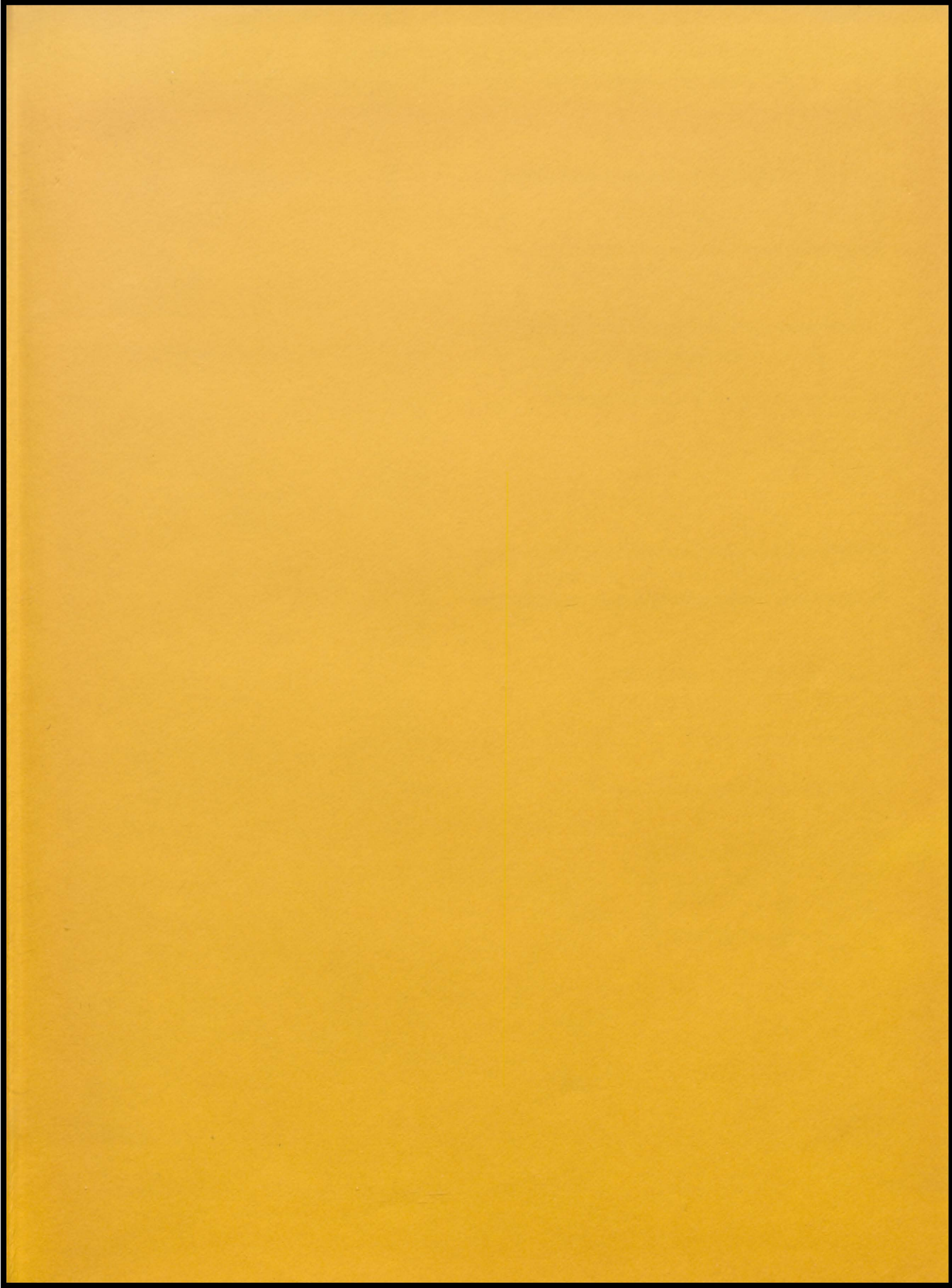
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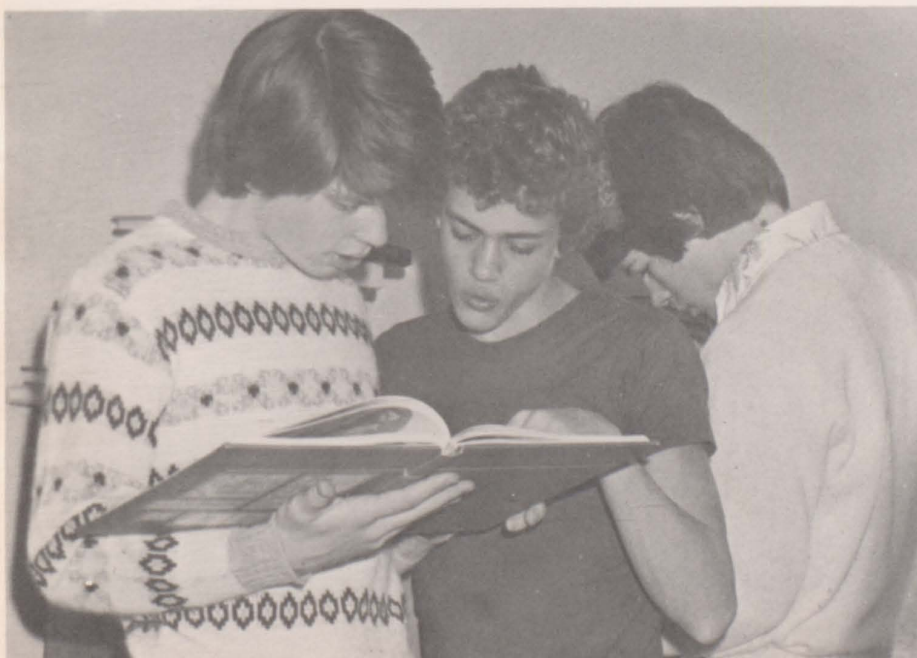
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Time marches on! Stay not its hand forever! — But pause a moment to turn back the pages in Memories book and relive the precious moments of the yesteryears.

1937 Owl





It is indeed a pity that memory is ever susceptible to the obscuring power of time, familiar faces, tokens, events, all are eventually gone. Hence we shall gladly linger awhile over past pleasures and sorrows. Let us enjoy this volume together.

1924 Owl

This yearbook remembers and celebrates the 50 years that have passed since the cornerstone was laid in the main building.





"New occasions teach new duties,
Time makes ancient good in couth; They
must upward still and onward, Who
would keep abreast of truth."

—Lowell 1936 *Owl*



Activities





Throughout the years, from 1924-1975, the *Purgold* has endeavored to include a wide variety of school events.

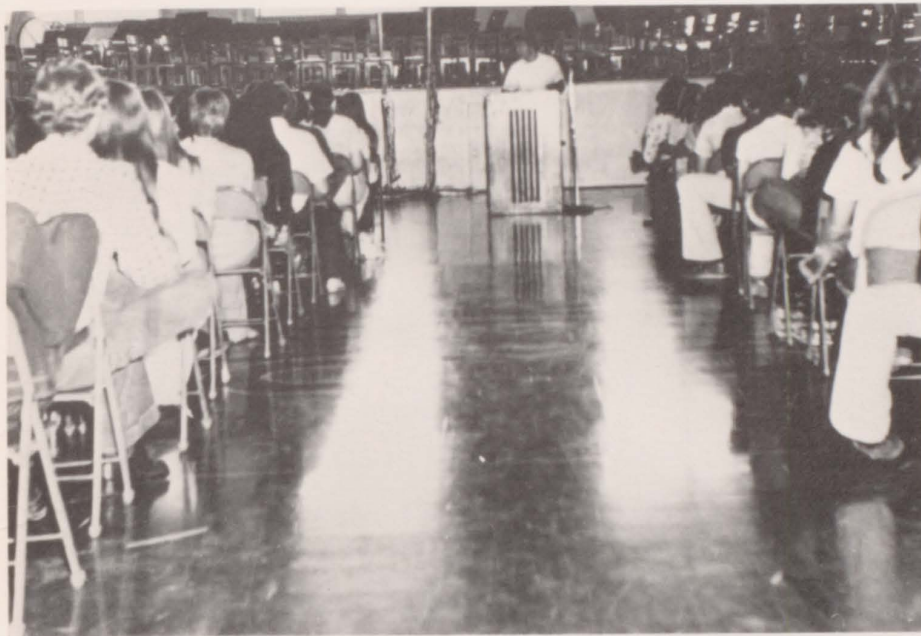
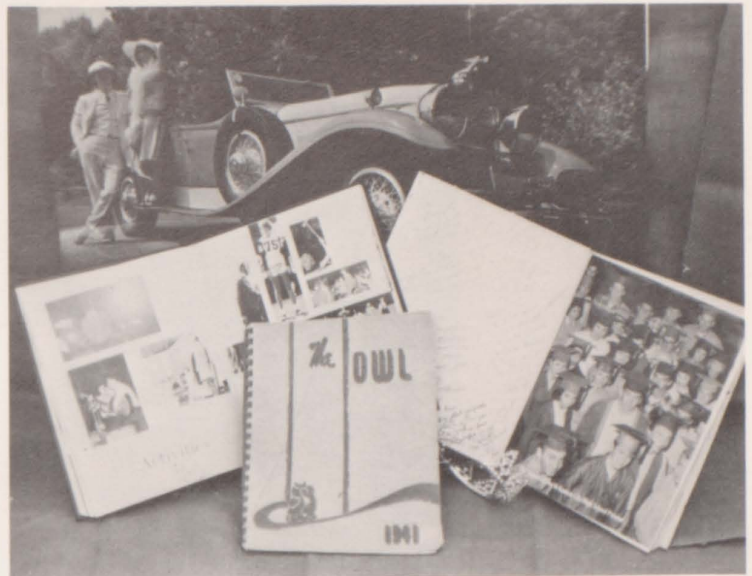
The year 1926 brought with it the first orchestra under the direction of Miss Wright. Less than ten years later, in 1935, the orchestra entered the Clay County and Little Six Music-Dramatic Festival. After 450 contestants and 26 events, Northtown ranked first in Little Six Conference, first in Clay County schools, and first among all those entered.

In 1935 Northtown celebrated its tenth Owl Queen, Miss Margery Sissom. One of her most notable attendants was Miss Mildred Fulton, a Senior in that year. Seven years later, 1942, Marcella Duffey was crowned the first Homecoming Queen at Northtown, while Patricia Stock was crowned the Buzz Smile Queen.

The 1940's included many plays that were put on for the student body. The junior class of 1944 presented, *And Came the Spring*. The comedy for 1946 was *Don't Take My Penny*. *Strictly Formal*, was the production for the juniors of 1948.



1925-1975

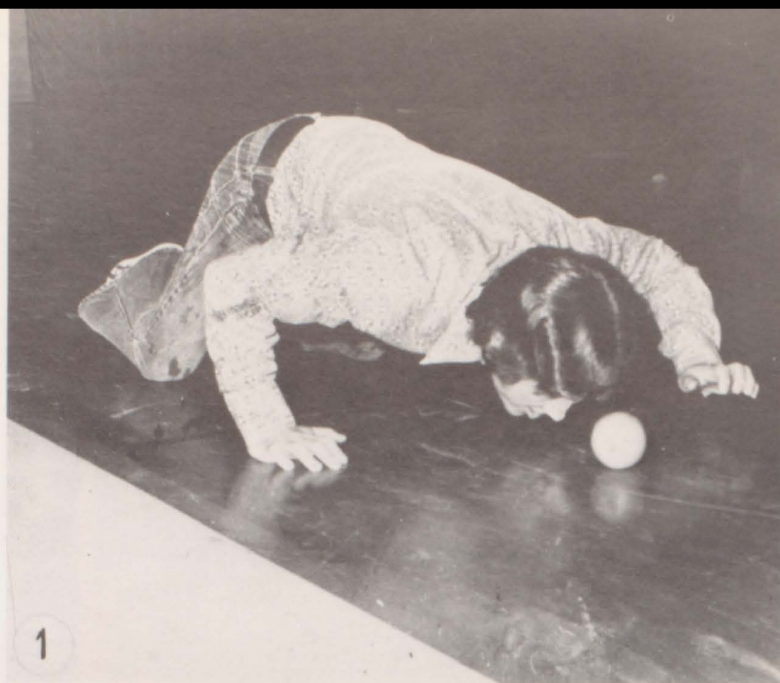


Sixteen years ago, in 1959, the Coronation Ball, in celebration of the *Purgold* Queen, crowned two girls for the first time. Miss Phyllis Fortune was crowned first Princess to Queen Annette Mason, for selling almost as many year-books.

During the 60's A Cappella, a select group of talented singers, performed at many assemblies and went on tour to different schools. In 1960, under the direction of Mr. Norman Clouse, A Cappella performed at Open House, the Christmas Assembly, and a Spring Concert. Nine years later in 1969, they performed at a special clinic in Liberty.

The year 1975 gave Northtown students their second opportunity to attend Prom off-campus. In 1974 Prom was held at the Continental Hotel. The site for this year's Prom was the Plaza Inn Continental Hotel.



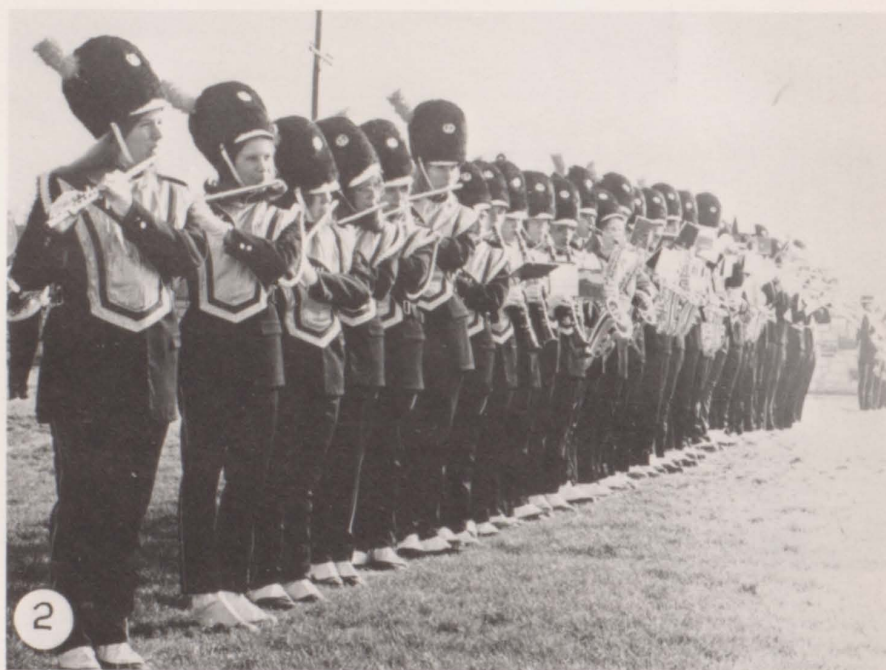


With the participation of students and scheduled programs, assemblies were good and plentiful. The variety ranged from a performance by Gerald Trimble and Company to a program on Child Abuse presented by the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department.

Throughout the year students were constantly asked for suggestions by Mr. Blaine. Mr. Blaine, who is in charge of coordinating the activity period program, provided the student body with a great variety of assemblies.

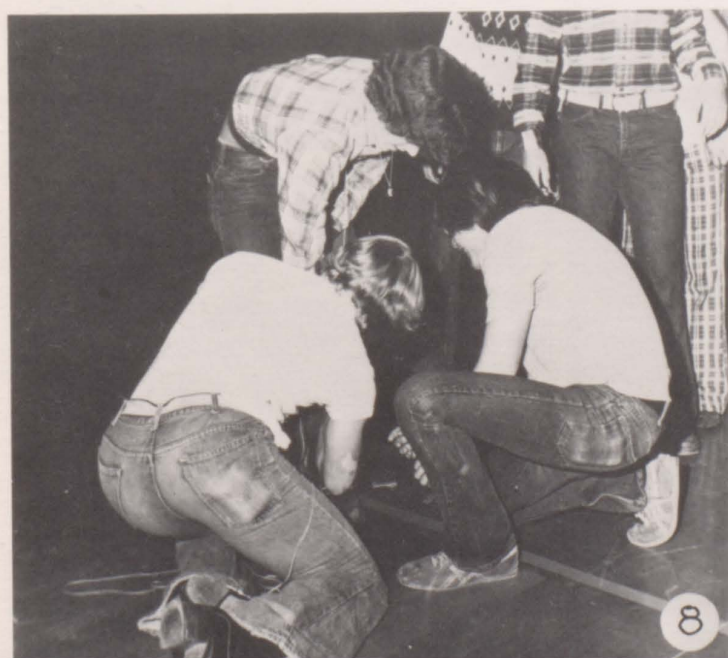
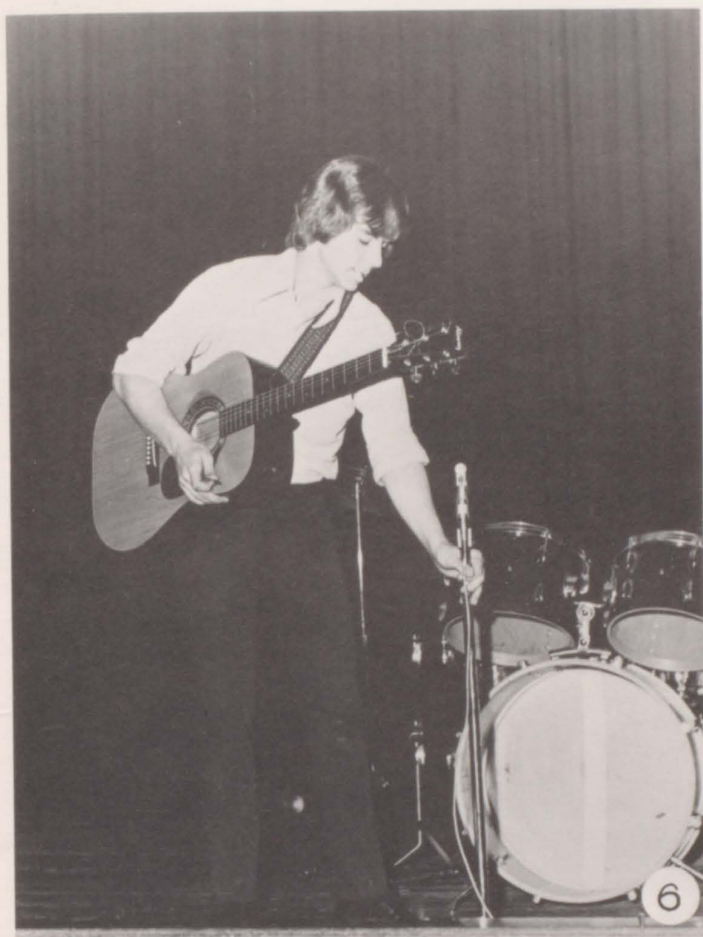
Due to the great reception by the student body some of the favorite assemblies may return next year.

Assemblies filled with fun

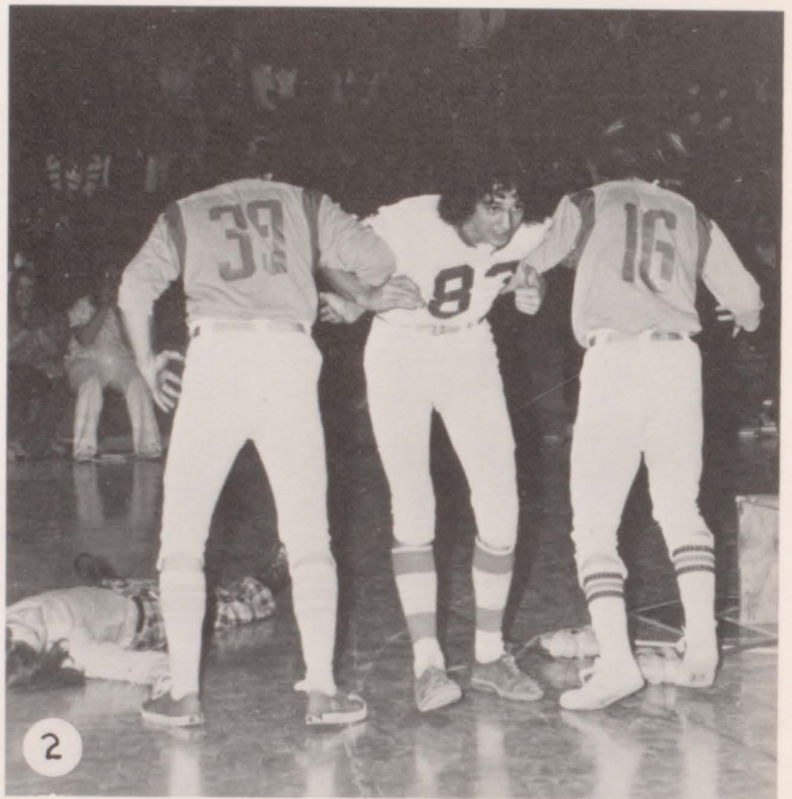


- 1 Tom O'Donnell pushes a ball in a race during the Stuco Fun Fest.
- 2 Band members play during the first band assembly in the field house.
- 3 Tanks from the United States Army invade Northtown.
- 4 Concert Band entertains interested students at a Special Interest Assembly.
- 5 Two visiting members of the Navy Band pause for a quick moment before their performance.
- 6 Larry LaFave sets up equipment for a Special Interest Assembly.
- 7 Huynk Kim Hai and Mitch Beene struggle with string during the Stuco Fun Fest.
- 8 Members of the Junior Class continue the string race during Stuco Fun Fest.
- 9 Danny Waters recovers from a pie in the eye at a pep rally.



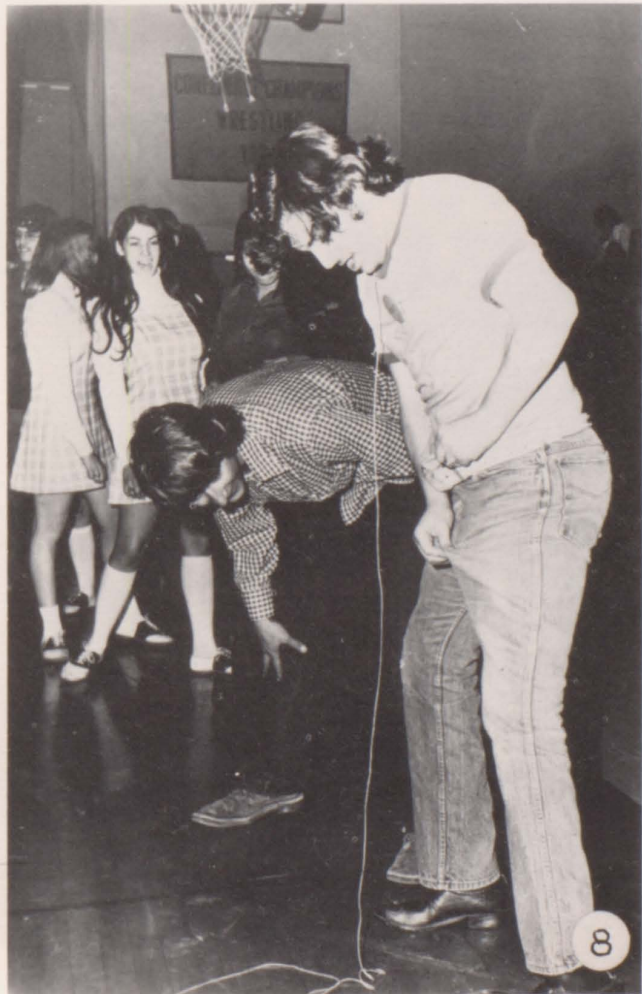


Assembly programs vary



- 1 Band members play for the student body.
- 2 The Christmas Assembly brought toy football players to the student body.
- 3 "Pull the String Through" is the name of the race.
- 4 Mark Larrick plays dress-up during a drama assembly.
- 5 Child abuse assembly brings interest to many students.
- 6 Band members entertain musical students during Activity Period.
- 7 Christmas wishes come true for Vocal Music students as Kathy Frogge and Shirley Asby dance into their hearts.
- 8 Ann Dickson laughs when Mitch Lawson gets the string stuck at the Stuco Fun Fest.





Vocal groups swing

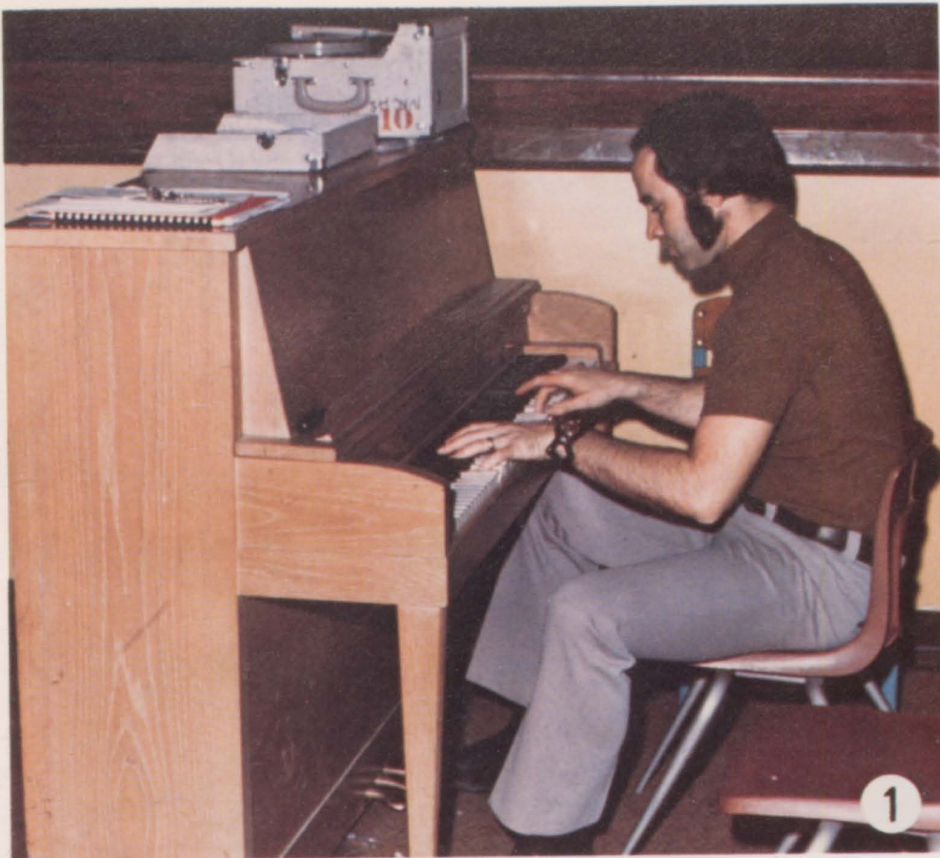
A Cappella consisted of: Susan Sandridge, Tammie Sanstra, Diane Saxton, Deena Smith, Teresa Sparkman, Cindy Stevens, Nancy Turley, Valerie Vogliardo, Regina Weiss, Dawn Wyland, Joyce White, Pam Butner, Deana Crabb, Kathie Dollard, Lou Ann Frala, Brenda Glass, Brenda Heath, Carol Lanningham, Shelby Lanningham, Jamie McBath, Tammy McFarland, Debbie Sharp, Nancy Walker, Mary Ward, Gale Weber, Denise Yarberry, Terry Stokes, Cindy Eberts, Janet Freeman, Becky Henson, Jan Honeck, Donna Kline, Debbie Leonard, Valeria Mayor, Myra McCarty, Liz Norton, Julie Rivers, Teresa Stevens, Suzie Stockton, Julie Winkler, Barb Wiesen, Debi Winkler, Susan Trickey, Huynh Kim Hai, Annasue Mohler, Rhonda Bhehr, Kathy Brown, Connie Dover, Cindy Estep, Chris Humbar, Vickie Kimball, Sherry Leewright, Debbie Monning, Martha Soxman, Mary Soxman, Kathy Smith, Cheri Trayer, Debbie Shea, Barb Werner, Thurman Gardner, Jim Harris, Ron Henley, Alan McClanahan, Mark Palmer, Steve Rich, Steve Robertson, Joe Smith, James Taylor, Bruce Sievers, Matt Matheney, Bill Silvers, Gene Baker, Mike Cunnee, Jack Chadwick, Paul Hayes, Mike Kahler, James Rich, Mark Slaughter, Mike Stockton, Bob Aston, Chuck Lashbrook, Gerald Trimble, David Wood, Dennis Prether, Kenny Austin, John Baker, Tim Bradshaw, Wayne Buck, Bob Stevens, Tom Wideman, Candy Bloosoe, Cathy Braus, Sally Burnidge, Sharon Dodson, Lorna Dougherty, Jenny Dunn, Sandy Fifer, Margaret Forsyth, Valerie Graph, Jodi Gunter, Dixie Gurley, Joyce Hevalow, Sherrie Jones, Alison Kuehn, Pam Miller, Loretta Morgan, Kathy O'Donnel, and Lynn McCoy.

1 Members of A Cappella stand in formation to present a concert to the student body.



Harmonaires

Gerald Trimble, Ron Henley, Tom Wideman, Bill Silvers, Ken Calvert, Thurman Gardner, Mark Palmer, Steve Robertson, Jamie Taylor, Jamie Rich, Mike Stockton, Pat Hoffman, Chuck Lashbrook, Joe Smith, John Baker, Dianne Saxton, Kathy Braus, Kathy Smith, Debbie Leonard, Cindy Estep, Lynn McCoy, Loretta Morgan, Valerie Vogliardo, Cindy Eberts, Sherry Jones, Deanna Crabb, Myra McCarty, David Wood, Chris Humbar, and Mr. Jerry Carpenter. Not pictured: Becky Henson and Cathy Cook.



1 Mr. Carpenter plays as the Harmonaires run through the song one more time.
2 This is the way the Harmonaires were 1975.

North Kansas City's A cappella and Harmonaires were always on the move. Concerts and assemblies were major highlights for the school and several civic groups.

Over 100 students participated in the many activities. A cappella, one of the main performing groups, grew increasingly active. After a successful fall concert, various Christmas concerts were given to nursing homes, hospitals, and an all-school assembly. After the Christmas holiday, A cappella was on the move once again by performing a spring festival concert conducted by Ed Lodjeski a popular music composer. Another spring concert and graduation finished out the year.

The 30 voices, called the Harmonaires, sang their way into the hearts of old folks, grade school children, junior high kids, and other organizations. Sometimes the Harmonaires even found time to perform at Northtown, they gave SIA's, sang at the Christmas Assembly, and held concerts.





North Kansas City's musical production for 1974-75 was *Oliver*, written by Lionel Bart.

The lead character, Oliver, was played by 12-year-old Bryan Walker and Deanna Crabb. The two-hour production presented April 16, 17, 18, and 19, included over 300 people in various song and dance routines.

The orchestra, conducted by Mr. Pat White, supplied the musical background. Among the favorite songs in the musical score were, "Food, Glorious Food," which was sung by Oliver and the workhouse boys. "Pick a Pocket or Two" was sung by Gerald Trimble who portrayed Fagin. Cindy Estep, portraying Nancy, sang "As Long As He Needs Me."

The musical revolves around the escapades of Oliver, who goes from a boys' workhouse to a group of pickpockets who go under the command of Fagin.



- 1 Matt Matheney, portraying a mortician, stares gravely.
- 2 Widow Corney, alias Debbie Leonard, wistfully awaits romance.
- 3 Rehearsals bring with it "ohs" and "ahs", along with gasps of amusement.
- 4 Cindy Estep lets loose with song at rehearsal.
- 5 Mr. Pat White conducts the orchestra for *Oliver*.
- 6 Brian Walker assumes the role of *Oliver Twist*.
- 7 Anita Breshears takes time out at rehearsal for a break.

300 sing and dance in Oliver

THE CAST (as they appeared)

Pauper Assistants	Danny Poole, Mike Sparks
Oliver Twist	Brian Walker
	Deanna Crabb (Understudy)
Mr. Bumble	Jeff Weir
Widow Corney	Debbie Leonard
Mr. Sowerberry	Matt Matheny
Mrs. Sowerberry	Susan McGuinn
Charlotte	Anita Breshears
Noah Claypole	Joe Elliott
The Artful Dodger	Mike Kahler
Fagin	Gerald Trimble
Charley Bates	Steve Armenta
Nancy	Cindy Estep
Bet	Brenda Heath
Mr. Brownlow	Steve Robertson
Bill Sykes	Bill Silvers
Mrs. Bedwin	Teresa Kimrey
Dr. Grimwig	Stuart Elliott
Old Sally	Cindy Stevens
Chairman	Ron Henley
Innkeeper	James Rich
Old Woman	Diane Alban
Street Criers:	
Rose Seller	Connie Dover
Milkmaid	Loretta Morgan
Strawberry Seller	Valerie Vogliardo
Knife Grinder	Thurman Gardner
Long Song Seller	David Wood
Bow Street Runners	Chuck Lashbrook, Steve Roark, Rick Swope



The Big Brass marches on!

The 1974-1975 North Kansas City High School Marching Band and Bannerettes displayed its pride and hard work this year during pep assemblies, parades, and performances at home and at other schools. The Marching Band, under the direction of Mr. Patrick White, took second place in the Second Annual Mineral Water Bowl Parade and went to the University of Kansas, Excelsior Springs, and, as always, took the traditional trip to Missouri Valley. In cooperation with orchestra and bannerettes, they sold \$800 worth of Christmas Candles to pay for the trips.

This year's band members are: Buddy Adams, Wilma Aitken, Karen Andrews, Larry Andrews, Ted Arnsperger, Julian Arrendondo, John Baker, Joel Barcus, Scott Barrett, John Baxter, Mike Bennett, Donna Blanc, Terry Bowman, Beverly Burk, Jon Carter, Scott Childers, Greg Conkling, Scott Conkling, Pat Conner, Mike Couch, Eric Danner, Dean Davis, Carol Dieckman, Ann Dudley, Tim Duensing, Ginny Gunn, Joe Elliot, Stuart Elliot, Jeff Enloe, Bill Fanska, LouAnn Frala, Mark Frank, Thurman Gardner, Martha Gibson, Brett Glass, Terre Gorham, Jim Hale, Rich Habes, Barb Hellstern, Liz Hellstern, Ron Henley, David Henneburg, Craig Hill, Jeff Hodges, Marty Hoffman, Marsha Huddlemeyer, Keith Jamison, Paul Jarnevic, Cathy Jones, Craig Jones, Neal Kenagy, Diana Kern, Vivian Kieslich, Margie Kithcart, David

Knudson, Chris Langley, Alan Lawrey, Darrell Lemasters, John Levegood, Kevin Linderman, Annette Ludwig, Travis Marshall, Gene Mason, Edward Maurin, Steve McArtor, Jann McConnell, Christina McReynolds, Don Melvin, Janet Narron, Loy Nickens, Pam Orr, Wade Orr, Sara Palmgren, Jeff Parker, Shelly Piontek, Jonathon Reddekaopp, Dianne Saxton, Margie Schneegass, Don Schulz, Barb Shewmaker, Craig Shiflett, Lynita Sinele, Debbie Smith, Edward Smith, Kathy Sovereign, Martha Soxman, Mary Soxman, Dave Speiser, Jim Stewart, Mike Stockton, Jeff Sunderland, Randy Swetnam, Dave Thurston, Margo Treadway, Mike Verstraete, Valerie Vogliardo, Susan Warman, John Watson, Julia Weamer, Mike Weathers, Newell Whetstone, Charles Williams, Jan Wilson, Dave Woodson, and Bruce Wormington.





1 The North Kansas City Marching Band poses in formation on the field at William Jewell.
 2 The marching band displays its style by placing first in the Missouri Valley Parade.
 3 Drum Majorette Susan Soderstrom demonstrates the leadership that made her Northtown's finest half-time entertainment feature.
 4 Elaine Ness, majorette, shows the form that brought much applause throughout the year.
 5 The Bannerettes who always displayed their marching ability are, Front row: Brenda Ford, Kathy Williams, Jeanne Baum, Susan McGuinn. Back row: Janice Martin, Rebecca Bartles, Linda Eberts, Brenda Hampton, Diane Farmer, Cindy Keltner, Janice Koontz, Kathy Brown, Mary Barrett, Karen Stock, Debbie Roschke. Not Pictured: Kim Graham, Candy Carpenter, Vicki Kimball, Diana Brock, Marcia Forsythe.





Music department excels

The members of Orchestra were Randy Armintrout, Rebecca Bartels, Darlene Battiest, John Bird, Bruce Cox, Martin Forsythe, Terre Gorham, Todd Graf, Brenda Hampton, Paul Hayes, Becky Henson, Kerry Holyfield, Marcie Hulen, Clarissa Humbar, Craig Jones, Cynthia Keltner, Margaret Kithcart, Sherry Lane, Sharon Leewright, Debra Lindhorst, Tammy McFarland, Edward Mitchell, Phyllis Myers, Joni Rutherford, Karen Stock, Michael Verstraete, Martha Ward, Michelle Wilson and Susan Winters.

After many hours of hard practice, the Orchestra of 1974-1975 was heard for the first time by the student body during the Christmas Assembly, with the playing of the *Hallelujah Chorus*. Past alumni were invited to join in singing and playing.

Beside playing in this year's musical *Oliver*, the orchestra also participated in a clinic which was held at Oak Park. At this clinic all three orchestras combined to produce a fascinating performance under the direction of Mr. Charles Cummons, Chairman of the Department of Music and conductor of the University Symphony, University of Missouri-Columbia.

To conclude this year's activities, Northtowns' orchestra combined with Northgate Junior High for a performance on May 21.

1 Band members who went to State competition are: David Hassan, Mike Verstraete, David Woodson, Jim Stewart, Craig Jones, John Watson, Mike Stockton, Eric Danner, Marty Hoffman, Jann McConnell, Kathy Sovereign, Beverly Burk, Dianne Saxton, Margie Kithcart, Barb Hellstern, Scott Childers.

2 Orchestra members pose in concert formation.



School open to parents, classes



Within just a few weeks of the opening of school, Open House was held. On September 26, 1974, parents were invited to come to visit with different members of the faculty. Talented students displayed their arts of gymnastics, singing, drama, and other activities which make up a day of a Northtown student's life.

Mini Courses were offered during the activity period. Courses were many and varied. Scuba Diving, presented by Ms. McCully, was one of the more exotic. Others were batik which is the art of tie dying, small motor repair, car maintenance, gun safety, Tolkein, bridge lessons, just to name a few. Any sports that were offered during the activity period such as volleyball, basketball, tag football, were also considered as mini courses.

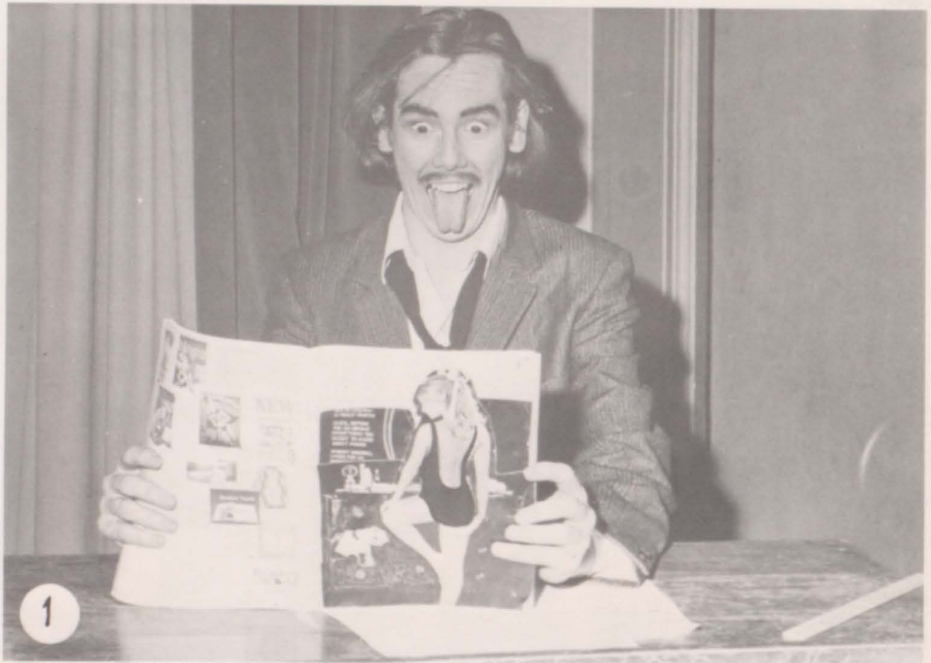




- 1 Judy Archibald tells Valerie Motter about the art of batik.
- 2 Mr. Beer teaches Christy Evans how to repair a car.
- 3 Sandy Haynes and Linda Pastori no longer fear engine failure after the mini course on motor repair.
- 4 Rhonda Bash introduces her father, to Mr. Gene McClain.
- 5 Mr. Gene Cole greets Bob Whitaker and his mother at open house.
- 6 Mr. and Mrs. Bird and John look over some of John's work while Mrs. Bonnie Foulke explains the work that went into the paper.

Cast	
Bibi	Derrick Rawdon
Papa	Steve Robertson
Mama	Kathy Sovereign
Grandpere	Stuart Elliot
Desmonde	David Wood
Louis	James Rich
Felice	Cindy Estep
Sally	Shirley Asby
Mignonette	Cyndy Owsley
Dr. Ganon	Bob Wurdack
Alfred	Mike Kahler
Mr. Frye	Robert Busby

Senior Class brings Happy Times



This year's Senior Class presented *The Happy Time*, written by Samuel Taylor. Money from ticket sales went toward the Senior Class gift.

The Happy Time is a comedy, dated about 1920. Papa, portrayed by Steve Robertson, had the task of coping with all the family problems. Grandpa, played by Stuart Elliot, liked to chase girls; Desmonde, played by David Wood, collected garters, and Papa's son, Bibi, played by Derrick Rawdon, falls for the new maid, Mignonette, portrayed by Cyndy Owsley.

As with most comedies, this too, ends happily with Desmonde falling in love with Mignonette.

- 1 Robert Busby gets another thrill.
- 2 Brute strength is used by Steve Robertson to carry Stuart Elliott off stage.
- 3 Derrick Rawdon anxiously pins his heart on Shirley Asby.
- 4 An average family discussion is portrayed by James Rich and Cindy Estep.
- 5 Cindy Owsley starts her speech as she guides Bob Wurdack through the door.
- 6 Happy, serious, and confused expressions are on the faces of Stuart Elliott, Steve Robertson, and David Wood.
- 7 Miss Fulton receives appreciation from the cast.





Junior class play brings in profits

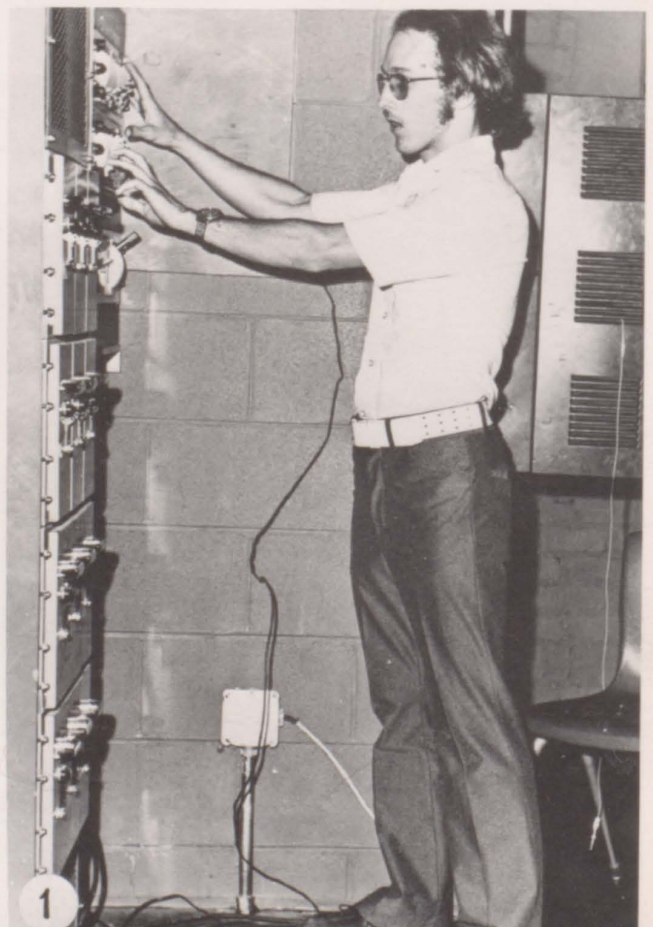
Bell, Book, and Candle began the year in the drama department this year. The Junior class sponsored this comedy written by British author, James Van Druten. The purpose of the Junior Class Play is to raise funds for the Junior - Senior Prom.

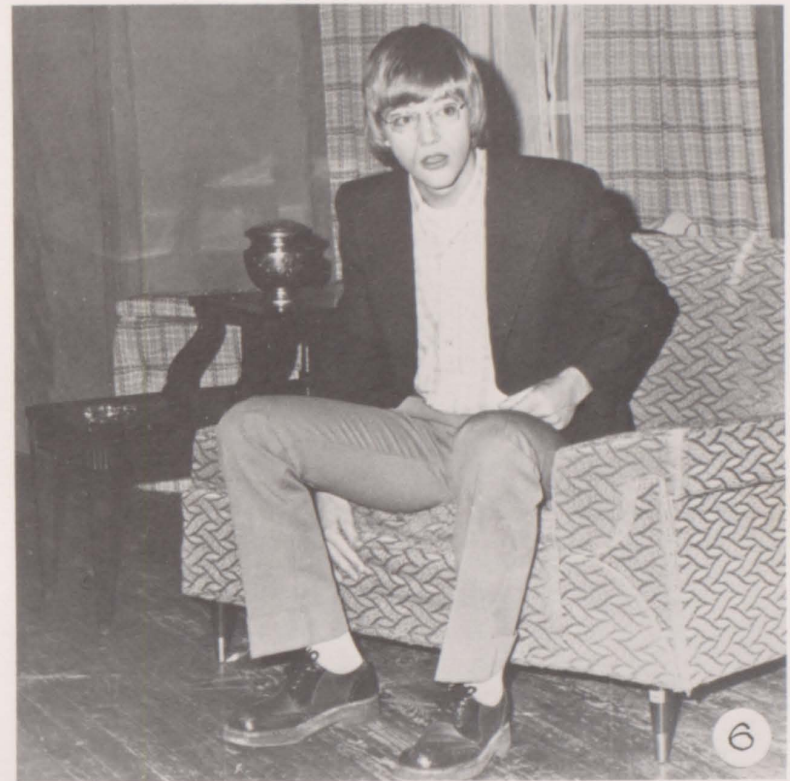
Bell, Book, and Candle is a three-act comedy centered around witchcraft. Because the cast was small, a double cast was selected to give more people the opportunity to participate.

The leading lady, Gillian Holroyd, played by Brenda Heath and Peggy Moore, casts a spell on a publisher, Shepherd Henderson, portrayed by David Wood and Randy Swetnam. During the course of the play, Gillian comes very close to losing Shepherd, but it all ends well with the couple planning to be married.

Cast

Gillian Holroyd	Brenda Heath Peggy Moore
Shepherd Henderson	David Wood Randy Swetnam
Aunt Queenie Holroyd	Chris Humbard Cyndy Owsley
Nicky Holroyd	Joe Elliot Mike Kahler
Sidney Redlitch	Steve Robertson Stuart Elliot





- 1 Stuart Elliott worked on the lighting before a performance of the play.
- 2 Aunt Queenie protests against having to give up her witchcraft.
- 3 Taking one last look at her part is Peggy Moore.
- 4 Peggy Moore expresses her opinion to Mike Kahler.
- 5 Mike Kahler lets his fingers do the walking.
- 6 Looking for his cue to start is Randy Swetnam.
- 7 The nervous cast members prepare for their first performance.



Students and faculty with interest in athletics found that the Hornets Recreation Association provided a means for them to participate in an organized team sport. This could be done without devoting too much time to the activity.

Flag football, tennis, bowling, basketball, softball, and volleyball were sports that were played in the intramural games. These games were organized and played by those who wanted to participate after school.

Besides these sports, the club went on a bike hike, went horseback riding, and planned a canoe trip.

H R A is a three-year-old club that was formed from Girls' Recreation Association. Not wanting to be an exclusive club, it decided to get more student involvement by expanding and changing its name. The club now promotes athletic competition between students and faculty.

1 Laura Balhuizen goes for another strike as Kevin Lindemen looks on.

2 Bob Aston looks back after his pass was intercepted in an intramural flag football game.

3 Officers of HRA, Sandy Messer, Debbie Shea, Danna Cooper, Camille Wilson, Penny McColloch, and Pam Wheeler, take time from their hectic schedules.

4 Bob Aston and Don Tarvin deliberate over the next play in flag football.

5 Mr. Alexander, sponsor of HRA, keeps score at an intramural bowling game.

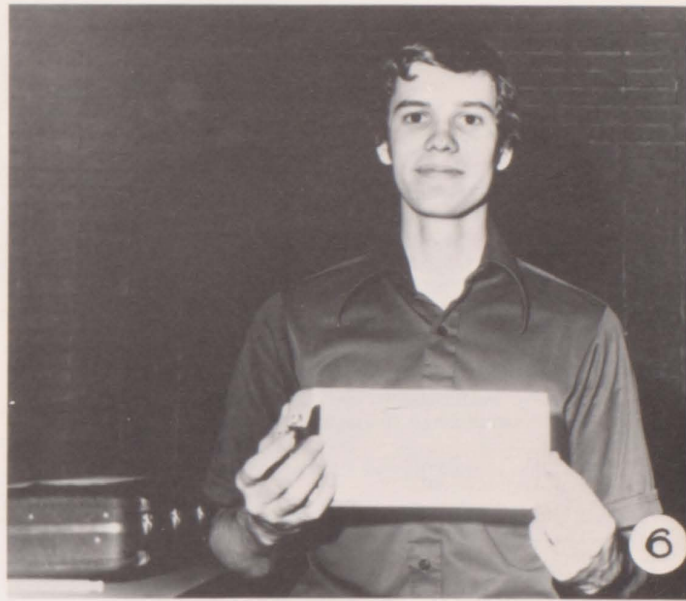
6 Dale Myers beams with pride as he holds up his score sheet from intramural bowling.

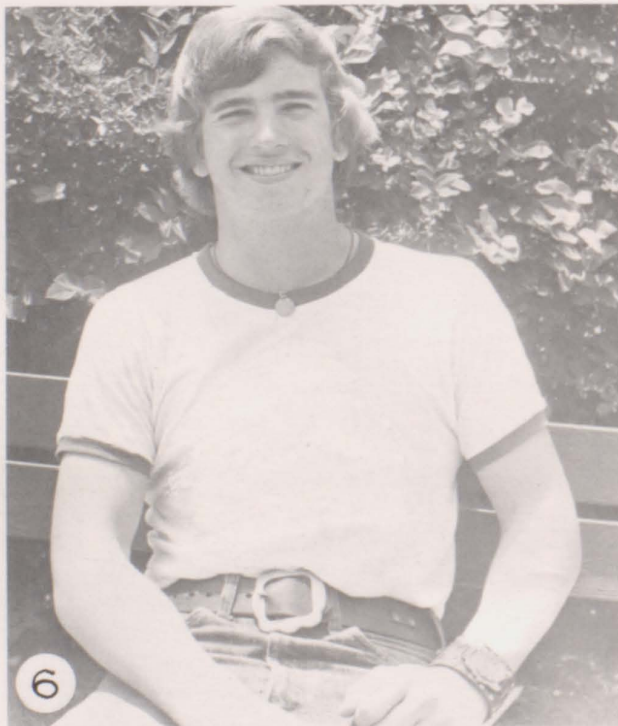
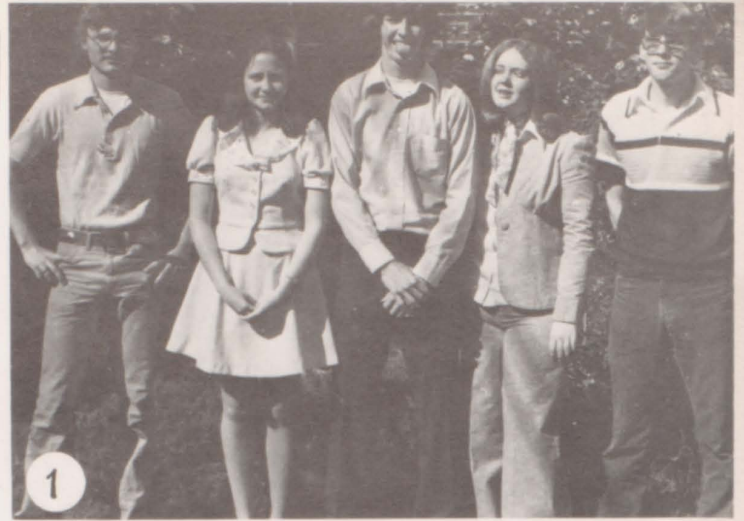
7 Deceptive plays are considered on the field of Macken Park.

8 An intramural participant leaps for a pop fly.



Intramurals offer enjoyment





Hornets reap honors



Kathy Adams Regent's Scholarship—
N.W.M.S.U.
Cindy Estep Regent's Scholarship—
N.W.M.S.U.
Janet James Regent's Scholarship—
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Debbie Leonard Regent's Scholarship—
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Joan Rutherford Regent's Scholarship—
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Pamela Sherer Regent's Scholarship—
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Joyce Chaney Special Scholarship—
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Shawna Seidel Special Scholarship—
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Jeff Weir Special Scholarship—
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David Wheeler Special Scholarship—
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Don Withington Special Scholarship—
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Connie Yeater Special Scholarship—
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Debbie Carleton Curator Scholarship—M.U.
Mona Robinson Curator Scholarship—M.U.
Dianne Saxton Curator Scholarship—M.U.
Ken Calvert National Merit \$1,000
Scholarship

Martha Hoffman Academic Excellence
Award—William Jewell College
Vickie Shelquist Academic Excellence
Award—William Jewell College, \$500
Panhellenic Scholarship
Kathy Thomas \$150 College of Agriculture
Scholarship—M.U., College of Agriculture
Certificate of Merit
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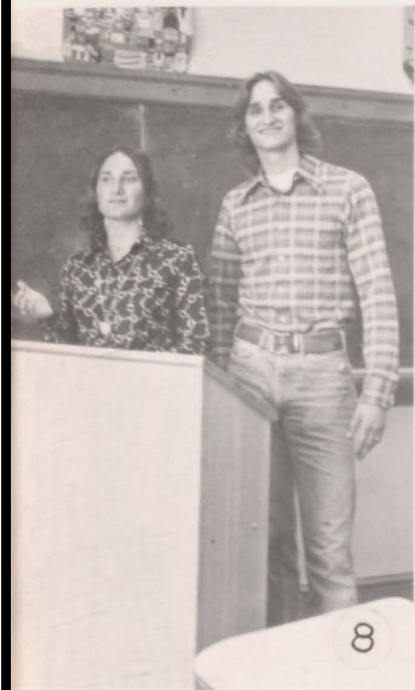


- 1 Boys' and girls' state candidates are Larry Andrews, Pamela Miller, Travis Marshall, Diane Alban, and John Hughes.
- 2 Receiving the silver and gold debate awards was Greg Conkling.
- 3 The outstanding mathematics student in the class of 1975 was Susan Cassidy.
- 4 Having the skill needed to take dictation at the rate of 150 words per minute and typing 70 words a minute earned Cindy Leslie the outstanding business education honor.
- 5 Doug Derry was selected as N-Club's athlete of the year.
- 6 Receiving the first Jay Schmidt Memorial Scholarship in drama was Mike Kahler.
- 7 Susan Cassidy, Valedictorian, and Mona Robinson, Salutatorian, smile for a picture.
- 8 The first male to receive the Betty Crocker award was Andy Lundburg.
- 9 Becky Glass received the sterling silver award in the home economics field.
- 10 Ken Calvert, outstanding physics student, also received the Baush and Lomb scholarship.





Popularity polls spark interest



Once again, the *Buzz* staff sponsored the traditional popularity polls. This year some changes were made in the categories, and most popular was deleted.

Polls were taken near the end of school, with results being announced in the last issue of *Buzz*.

- 1 Brent Harness and Becky Glass, dressed in their best rags, were selected as best dressed.
- 2 Pam Sherer and Jim Pennetti, North Kansas City's own Marc Anthony and Cleopatra, were selected as favorite couple.
- 3 Measuring up with best build and figure are Steve Johnson and Ann Dickson.
- 4 Tickling the fancy of many were the wittiest, Debbie Leonard and Stuart Elliot.
- 5 Arms loaded with books are Ken Calvert and Susan Cassidy, most intelligent.
- 6 Keeping a busy schedule are Doug Copeland and Rhonda Manlove, most active.
- 7 Ann Dickson and Doug Copeland, most outstanding personalities, pause for a picture.
- 8 Most outspoken, Pam Wheeler and Doug Copeland, debated on many issues throughout the year.
- 9 Displaying their athletic ability are Kyle Johanson and Stephanie Thompson, most athletic.
- 10 Dave Raley and Cindy Hazell were selected as best looking in the class of '75.



The Trade Mart Exhibition 3 was the setting for the 1975 Sweetheart Dance, held on January 25.

This year's candidates were chosen, as in past years, by Y-Teens. Under the theme, "Dancing In the Moonlight," the candidates were announced to the audience. The 1975 candidates were Mr. Dave Raley, Mr. Jay Elmore, Mr. Ken Calvert, Mr. Jim Pennetti, Mr. Kyle Johanson, Mr. Mark Raines, and Mr. Brent Harness.

As the ceremony got underway, the 1974 Sweetheart King Jeff Horn returned to crown this year's King, Mr. Dave Raley.



Sweetheart trades in king



- 1 Mr. Ken Calvert
- 2 Mr. Mark Raines
- 3 Mr. Jay Elmore
- 4 Mr. Kyle Johanson
- 5 King Dave Raley
- 6 Jim Stewart and Janet Dixon "Dance in the Moonlight."
- 7 Mr. Jim Pennetti
- 8 Mr. Brent Harness
- 9 Mark Raines and Donna Kline congratulate this year's king, Dave Raley.
- 10 Camille Wilson and Larry House enjoy the music of the dance.



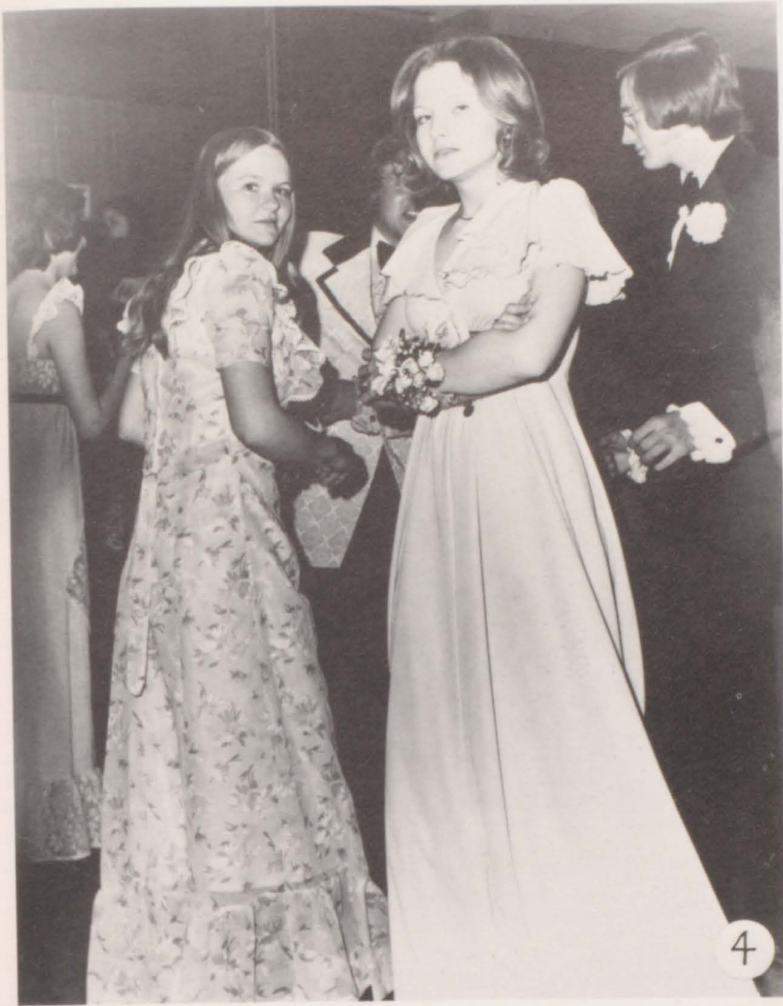
Hornets go international

Sponsored by the class of 1976, the Junior-Senior Prom for 1974-1975 was held at the Plaza Inn International Gallery of Nations Ballroom, with entertainment provided by Boonslick.

As it has been in past years, the Prom was semi-formal. Even so, many people attended in formal gowns, rented tuxedos and rented cars. The dance, held on April 12, began at 8:00 p.m. and lasted until 11:00 p.m. A professional photographer was on hand to capture a few memories for those couples who wished to have their pictures taken.

- 1 Kathy Ryan, Steve Rich, Cindy Turnbull, and her date rest between dances.
- 2 Kaye Zink, and Matt Arnold pause at the doorway before entering the dance.
- 3 Kathy Emmerson delights at the music of the dance.
- 4 Diane Gust, Melody Mott, and Fred Albertson enjoy the dancing music.
- 5 Glenda Peace and Don Withington hold close to the music.
- 6 Janet Hughes and friend enjoy each other's company.
- 7 Mike Kahler and Regina Weiss think of after Prom activities.







Organizations



1925-1975

Take a V (clap, clap)
Add an I (clap, clap)
Try a C
T O R Y
VICTORY
Victory, Victory
It's victory tonight!





I saw a handsome player walking down the floor.
 I said, "Ooohh, handsome player, what's the team for?"
 He said, "Man, what a square, don't you dig the score?
 The Hornets are a-scoring more and more."
 A-doing what? Scoring more!
 A-doing what? Scoring more!
 Doing what? Scoring more!

The Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe
 Is a streamline train
 so they all say
 Now the Hornet boys
 aren't very new
 But man our team
 Is streamline too.

California Oranges
 Arizona Cactus
 We play Oak Park
 Just for practice

Over the past 50 years there has been an increase in the number of clubs as well as in membership. In 1925 North Kansas City had a total of eight clubs. These were sorority-like organizations, allowing only the most popular persons in the school to join. The clubs' membership was limited to a small portion of the student body.

Now, 50 years later, with 21 clubs, Northtown has become more democratic. Unlimited membership has abolished the old limits set forth by the sorority-type organization.

Gone are the good old days of 1924 when the Shiny Club met to enable those who must exert their dormant athletic desires to do as the motto says, "Shiny on your own side." The 13 Club met, of course, on the 13 of the month with 13 members whose dues were 13 cents a month. Its motto could not be anything else but, "Lucky or Unlucky."

The social side of life was covered by Ye Olde Croakers and S.O.P. Club. The Croakers, all 18 of them, held parties, boxed, wrestled, and indulged in other indoor sports. They tried to model themselves after Poe (his poetry?). The S.O.P. Club's purpose was to promote social life, so several parties were given.

N-Club, the oldest surviving club, had 16 members who had been awarded letters. Its purpose was to promote better athletics and cleaner athletics in every way.

- 1 Providing support for a large oak tree are this year's Student Council officers: Mike Huonker, sergeant at arms; Linda Middleton, secretary; Doug Copeland, president; Rhonda Manlove, vice-president; and Cindy Seymour, treasurer.
- 2 Travis Marshall illustrates the art of making scrambled eggs during the egg toss at the Stuco all-school picnic.
- 3 Putting forth 100% effort was Alisha Slough during the student-faculty volleyball game.
- 4 Miss Dorothy (Bubbles) Barnett excites students to the point of frenzy during the activity period student-faculty volleyball game.
- 5 Showing the form that has gained him widespread fame, Mr. Gus Leimkuhler decks the tree with many buttons.

A no-nonsense speech by President Doug Copeland began the year for *Student Council*. The speech was a concept that hadn't been used for many years.

Money making was the next thing that Stuco undertook. They sold school supplies the students needed. A first this year was the Stuco dance after the Oak Park football game. It was a "come as you are, everybody welcome, get down and boogie" affair which netted \$411. A table and bench for the courtyard and a ping-pong table for the gym were purchased with some of the profits. The annual Chili Supper held in February had a good turnout.

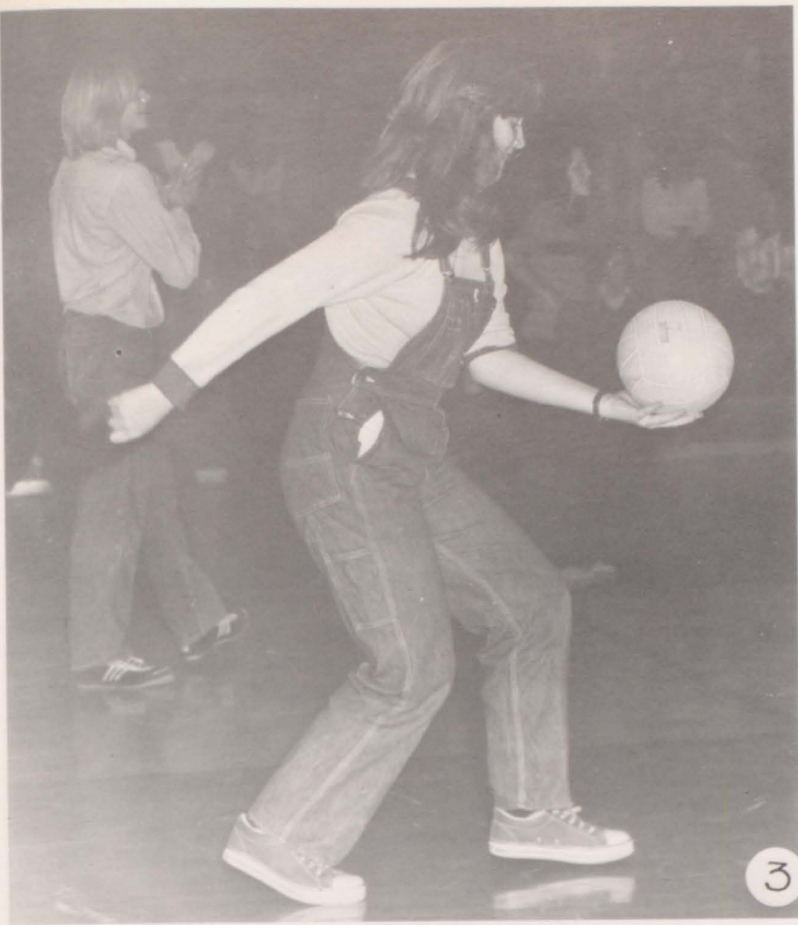
Worthy causes occupied much of Student Council's time. Miss Sally Sterling, with the help of Stuco, collected \$702 for United Campaign. Part of this money was earned from the student-faculty volleyball game. The Student Council collected for the March of Dimes and handled the elections for Homecoming and Purgold Queen. It also sponsored "Blood donor day," in which students could give blood who weighed over 110 pounds in the bloodmobile.

Two assemblies were sponsored this year by Stuco. Sachs and Company, a comedy, and Fun Fest, an assortment of gag games, were greeted by large turnouts.



Stuco employs new tactics





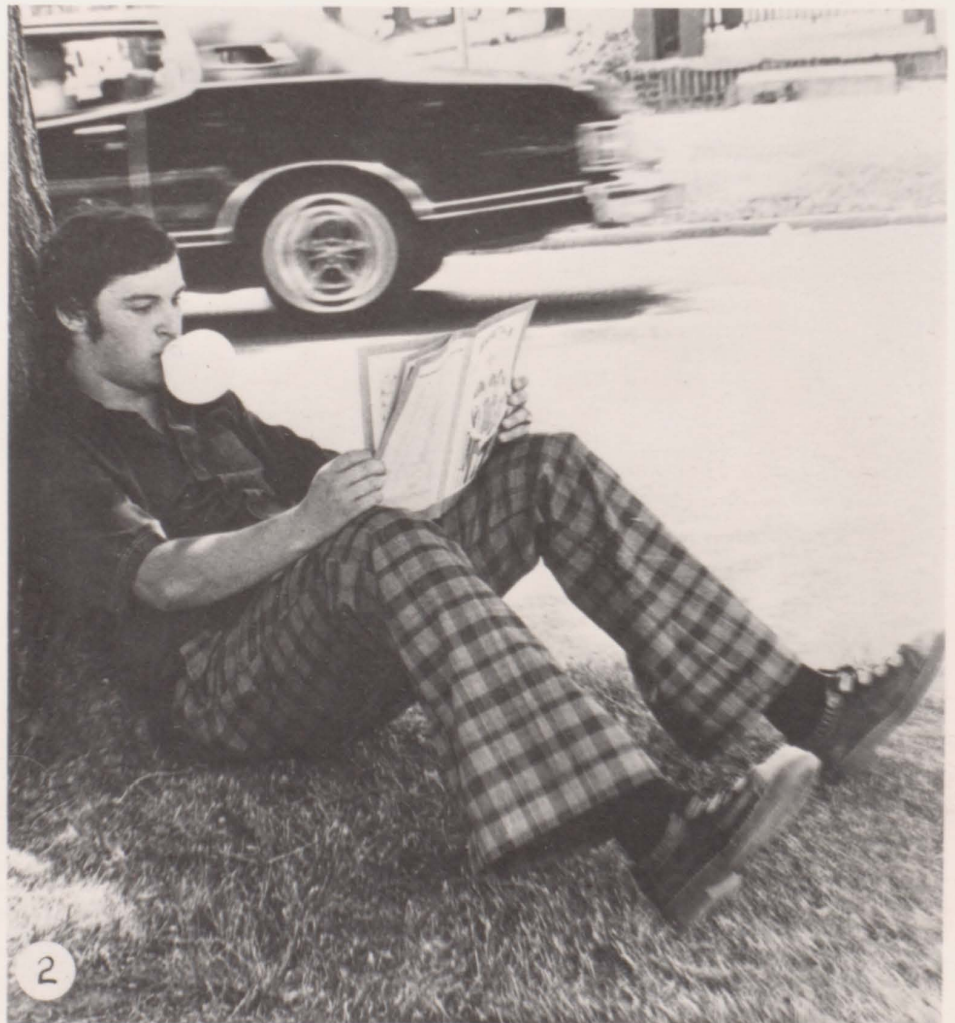


Activities of the *N-Club* involved both athletics and community service projects. The club sponsored a basketball game between the North Kansas City Police and the faculty, with the proceeds going for the construction of the new trophy case by the fieldhouse. It also acted as host for visiting teams at football games. At Christmas time, the club supported a needy family. The club members collected spare change from fellow students during lunch periods to help the family.

Recreation was not overlooked by the club, however, as they attended a Kansas City King's basketball game, and a Royal's baseball game.

Other activities were sponsoring movies during the activity period and selling hats decked in purple and gold.

- 1 As Lance Staves, John Green, and Fred Uhl listen with interest at an *N-Club* meeting, Doug Derry watches Pom Pon practice.
- 2 Mitch Lawson anticipates next year's prospects as he reads a North Kansas City basketball program.
- 3 A typical *N-Club* meeting was full of action with the various jobs that the members wanted carried out.
- 4 This year's *N-Club* officers take a break from the action and relax in the *N-Club* office. Bottom row: Mitch Lawson, sergeant at arms; Tom O'Donnell, president; and Steven Beamer, secretary-treasurer. Top row: Cam Crouthers, junior representative; Doug Derry, vice-president; and Rick Bowser, chaplain.



Activities propel lettermen



Fellowship, faith spur FCA



- 1 FCA members applied teamwork on the field to life as they stressed fellowship.
- 2 FCA officers guided the club through many activities this year. Bottom row: Gary Clemens, chaplain; Mark Raines, co-captain; Steve Larson, secretary; and Buddy Adams, sophomore representative. Top row: Neil Spencer, treasurer; Bob Van-Camp; and Marty Base, captain.
- 3 At a night meeting of FCA, Coach Cobb, Chris Dove, Doug Fricke, and Mike Sinnett watch a film.
- 4 Mitch Lawson, Mark Hall, Bob Heath, Steve Larson, and Doug Rawdon enjoy fellowship in the form of conversation at a club meeting.





Various successful money-making projects marked the *Fellowship of Christian Athletes* this year. The second annual Pancake Day reaped large profits. For a mere dollar, one could eat all of the pancakes he wanted. Sixty-two cents out of every dollar went to the FCA. Selling programs at the Kansas City Kings' games bolstered the treasury with two-hundred dollars. With the arrival of spring, the club sold tickets to Worlds of Fun's FCA Night. The tickets sold for six dollars a piece. A good part of this money was used to send members to the summer conference in Estes Park, Colorado, for fellowship with FCA members from throughout the country.

Aside from the finances, the club had many fellowship meetings, most of them at night. These were held at the members' homes. Eighteen people from the club attended the kick-off banquet. A slightly larger number attended the spring conference. A sunrise breakfast with Winnetonka included free eggs, bacon, sausage, and a program with Jeff Kinney and Ray Hildebrand.



Small clubs have high spirit

A learning process was a good description of the *National Forensic League* this year. Members learned the skills of speech and debate and used these in tournament competition throughout Missouri to earn school, club, team, and individual honors.

NFL hosted a highly regarded tournament, the twenty-fourth annual North Kansas City Speech and Debate Tournament this year. Four members of the club were sent to the state competition, where they were extremely successful.

Highlighting the club's activities was the Initiation and Awards Ceremony, at which drama awards, debate awards, and degrees were presented.

This year *Key Club* proved to be quite active in fulfilling their objectives, being of service to both the school and the community. Their activities included selling Kiwanis Pancake Day tickets, donating food to the Synergy House, forming an intramural bowling team, and selling Hornet pens. They also met with the Winnetonka Key Club to discuss constructing a float for the bicentennial parade on September 20, 1975.

Next year, Key Club will be open to girls for the first time in the history of Northtown. This year's officers, Ron Henley and Dennis Painter, president and vice-president, respectively, ran the club.



- 1 Providing leadership for a very productive NFL this year were Pam Miller, president; Greg Conkling, vice-president; and Debbie Leonard, secretary-treasurer.
- 2 Bob Whitaker checks his notes as Eddie Pelot and Greg Conkling listen carefully to a debate in progress.
- 3 Key Club was represented at Northtown this year by the officers. Bottom row: Ron Henley, president, and Dennis Painter, vice-president. Top row: Mike Parrett, secretary, and Greg Sauceman, historian.
- 4 Joan Rutherford counts profits from the Creative Writing Club bake sale as Mary Jane Grooms reminisces about the hours spent in the kitchen.
- 5 Kerry Buckley, Beth Mott, and Carla Scovill led Art Club throughout the year.
- 6 Bill Fanska and Ron Weber illustrate the concentration required to play a game of chess at a Chess Club meeting.



Creative Writing Club existed in a more active state this year. The main activity of the club was assembling a booklet of short stories and poetry written by Northtown students.

Students were encouraged to submit their work for possible publication. Each Tuesday, these works were evaluated by the club as either acceptable or unacceptable.

A bake sale was held in April, with part of the proceeds going for the cover of the book.

The book, aptly titled, "Thoughts in Black and White" was published in May. The 41-page booklets sold for twenty-five cents.

Following the trend of the recent years, *Art Club* continued to diminish this year. The only activity that the club did was posting an exhibition of artwork in Study Hall A during the musical.

Lack of interest was very evident in *Chess Club* this year. The club had no definite roster, and anybody who wanted to play chess was welcomed to the meetings. The meetings were held two times every activity period block. The club never participated in any tournaments, as they never could get five people together, the minimum required to be in a tournament.

The main goals of the *Health Careers Club* were to help others and learn about occupations in the health field. These goals were accomplished by visiting children in area hospitals and giving them favors, which consisted of candy, balloons, books, and games. The club also visited the old folks in the Smithville Convalescent Center to bring a little sunshine into their lives.

A bake sale was the money-making project of the club this year. They made approximately ten dollars from the sale held in the cafeteria. The money was used to buy the favors that were given to the hospitalized children.

Thespian's big money making project this year was a dinner theatre on December 13. The cost was \$3, and it consisted of a turkey dinner and an evening of songs and skits. The club made \$300 profit from the evening.

One of their prime goals this year was the establishment of a larger scholarship fund. The Thespian Scholarship was renamed the Jay Schmidt Memorial Fund, in honor of the Northtown student who drowned at the Lake of the Ozarks, May, 1974. This fund was started by Jay's parents, who contributed his college savings. Another new project which was started this year was the contribution of one drama book per year to the library in Jay's name.

In addition, Thespians were responsible for providing people for sets and backstage work for the plays and the musical.





Thespians promote dramatic arts



- 1 The Thespians officers demonstrate the use of a new sofa. Bottom row: Debbie Leonard, secretary; Peggy Moore, recorder of points; and Cyndy Owsley, acting president. Top row: Mike Kahler, treasurer; and Kathy Smith, historian.
- 2 Stuart Elliot, Brenda Heath, and Mark Patton dance while Scott Leighty sings the hit song, "Life is a rock."
- 3 Robert Busby entertains the audience with a dance during the Dinner Theater.
- 4 Danny Waters and Mark Larrick give a new twist to the Six O'Clock news.
- 5 Before the show and during intermission, the audience listened to music by Larry Lafave, Randy Patton, and Stuart Elliot.

Members learn from vocational clubs



Helping interested students learn about teaching was a job that was undertaken by *Future Teachers of America* this year. To achieve this, the "learn by doing" method was utilized. Club members were engaged in cadet teaching at Norclay Elementary School. They received no credit for this, as it was merely to acquaint them with the skills required to conduct a classroom.

To show appreciation for the hard work given by the North Kansas City faculty, the club stuffed the teachers mailboxes with goodies around Easter.

1 Debbie Smith, Kathy Hall, and Claudia Hamilton listen intently during an FTA meeting.

2 Discussing future plans for *Future Teachers of America* are Mrs. Dorothy Shatto, Sandy Haynes, and Kevin Wehner.

3 Guiding *FHA* this year were the officers. Bottom row: Lorna Dougherty, treasurer; Sherry Leewright, president; and Janet Chandler, vice-president. Top row: Debby Shea, secretary; and Barbara Wiesen, historian.

4 Lorna Dougherty and Barbara Wiesen mix ingredients carefully to insure perfection in the finished product.

5 Kim Graham beams radiantly as she stirs up an old family recipe.





With a membership of twelve girls, *Future Homemakers of America* engaged in many worthwhile activities. A Halloween bake sale was held, earning five dollars which went in the treasury.

Teachers found a cake in the teachers lounge around Christmas that was made by the club members during one of their activity period meetings. Still thinking of others, the club made Easter baskets, put candy in them, and took them to the North Kansas City Memorial Hospital to cheer up the patients. Defying Weight Watchers once more, the club made cupcakes and put them in the teachers mail boxes in the office.

The year closed out in grand fashion with a picnic for the members May 8th at Macken Park.



Club members dine and dance

- 1 Scott Henson and Mr. Dale Williams prepare for the great spaghetti race.
- 2 Jo Anne Matthiesen helps support Tri-M by purchasing a spaghetti dinner.
- 3 Dusting the step in the music room are Tri-M officers: Carol Dieckman, secretary; Craig Jones, vice-president; Chris Hubbard, president; and Mark Frank, treasurer.
- 4 Displaying various reactions to the dinner are Debbie Ford, David Kean, and Debbie Lindhorst.
- 5 This year's Y-Teen officers were Debby Shea, secretary-treasurer; Linda Middleton, vice-president; Mona Robinson, president; and Kathy Webster, Sweetheart chairman.
- 6 Excited members of Y-Teens, Debby Shea, Patti Estes, Tammy Hultz, Nancy Carrel, and Carol Middleton, discuss the election of officers.





Activities, money making projects, and new ideas summed up the *Modern Music Masters* this year.

The first club profits came in the fall. A car wash spectacular earned twenty-three dollars, even though the weather was bad. The baking skills of the club members were put to the test in January as they sold their wares to the tune of twenty-five dollars. Last but not least, Tri-M brought a bit of Italy to Northtown in the form of a spaghetti feast. Of the three hundred dollars grossed from the dinner, one hundred was set aside for the scholarship fund, awarded May 20th.

Fun was not overlooked, however, as the members seemed to enjoy themselves on many occasions. For Halloween, the club went to a haunted house and then went to Jeff Sunderland's house to clean his refrigerator out of food. Mr. Pat White was the next refrigerator raid victim after the club went caroling for Christmas.

An initiation picnic was held on May 2nd. The initiates had a rough time as they had to roll an egg with their nose and get a cherry out of a pile of flour without using their hands. The tables were turned, though, when the sixteen people that were initiated ganged up on this year's president and deposited eight pounds of flour on her.

With twenty-six members, *Y-Teens* got off to a good start. *Buzz Books*, which contain students' names, phone numbers, and birth dates were published and sold for \$1.50 each.

Profits from the *Buzz Books* went toward the Sweetheart Dance which was sponsored by *Y-Teens*. The girl-ask-boy affair was held at Trade Mart Exhibition III at the Municipal Airport.

A pizza party was held for all members at the end of the year event as a fare-well to all senior members.





Language clubs provide deeper understanding

A hayride started the activities of the *German Club* this year. The club also had an Octoberfest with Winnetonka, and sold candy bars and tumblers. With the money raised throughout the year, the club had a Christmas party, an international dinner, and a Mardi Gras type celebration.

April 24th, German Club participated in the Language Night. The members presented a polka along with the *Schnitzelbanke* song to entertain the audience.

This year the *French Club* reorganized under a new sponsor, Mrs. Linda Pate, with a much larger membership. They had a large turnout at the annual picnic at Macken Park and another at the election of officers. Shoppers enjoyed French Club's caroling on a crisp December evening at Antioch Center. This was followed by a pizza party at the Pizza Hut. Later in the year, the club visited the language fair at Avila College to get ideas for their own proposed language fair.

Language Night was not overlooked by the club as they performed a melodrama skit with accompaniment by Lynn McCoy.



1 Leadership for the German Club was provided by four people this year. Bottom row: Paula Holding, secretary-treasurer; and Debi Winkler, president. Top row: Debbie Roschke, historian; and Kathy Smith, vice-president.

2 Louise Fuchs, Bruce Wormington, Mike Stockton, Paula Holding, Jim Stewart, and Kathy Smith enjoy German food at the Salsborg House at the Top of the Towers restaurant.

3 Dana Haynes, Huyhn Kim Hai, and John Maddox wait impatiently for dinner to be served.

4 The French Club picnic is enjoyed by Connie Yeater, Lorna Daughtery, and Nancy Sapp.

5 Preparing to enter La Bonne Auberge, a French restaurant, are this year's French Club officers, Laura Hull, historian; Janet James, assistant historian; Pam Scherer, secretary-treasurer; and Vickie Shelquist, president. Not pictured: Becky Glass, vice-president.

6 Participating in a discussion are Alice Kithcart, Linda McMullen, Carla Forbes, and Pam Hiebert.



Club members pursue interests

- 1 Making suggestions about the obvious pollution of Mr. Lawing's aquarium are this year's Environmental Action Club officers: Nancy Sapp, vice-president; Carol Laramore, treasurer; and Linda Page, president. Not pictured: Laura Balhuizen, secretary.
- 2 Before departing on the float trip, E A C members, Karen Mayo, Danny Wutzer, Peggy Sullivan, Bob Aston, Mike VanNatta, and Nancy Sapp, wait in front of their luxurious transportation.
- 3 Showing great agility on the jungle gym are Spanish Club president David Kean and Treasurer Rex Gabbert. Choosing the ground to stand on are Susan Cassidy, secretary; Loretta Morgan, vice-president; Elaine Nees, and Julia Winkler.
- 4 Awaiting the beginning of a meeting are Karen Spruyette and Anita Marra.
- 5 Debbie Ford, Karen Eades, Vic Hurlbert, Mike Cuneen, and Debbie Linhuorst snicker over a humorous incident at a Spanish Club meeting.





The main goals of the *Environmental Action Club* are to promote the need of conservation and environmental protection. It also stresses on the benefits of recycling goods.

With a membership of 25 to 30 people, practically tripled over last year, the club is trying to expand their facilities to begin to collect cans, bottles, and even scrap metal.

Food and festivities kicked off the year for the *Spanish Club*. The fun and games got everyone in the club together for the first time in the year.

The Christmas party was next on the agenda. While they had fun during the Yuletide season, the club supported a very worthy cause. Gifts and food from the club helped a needy family have a happy holiday.

On April 24th, the club participated in Language Night in the school auditorium. The club put on a skit, and Kathy Frogge dazzled the audience with a Spanish dance.



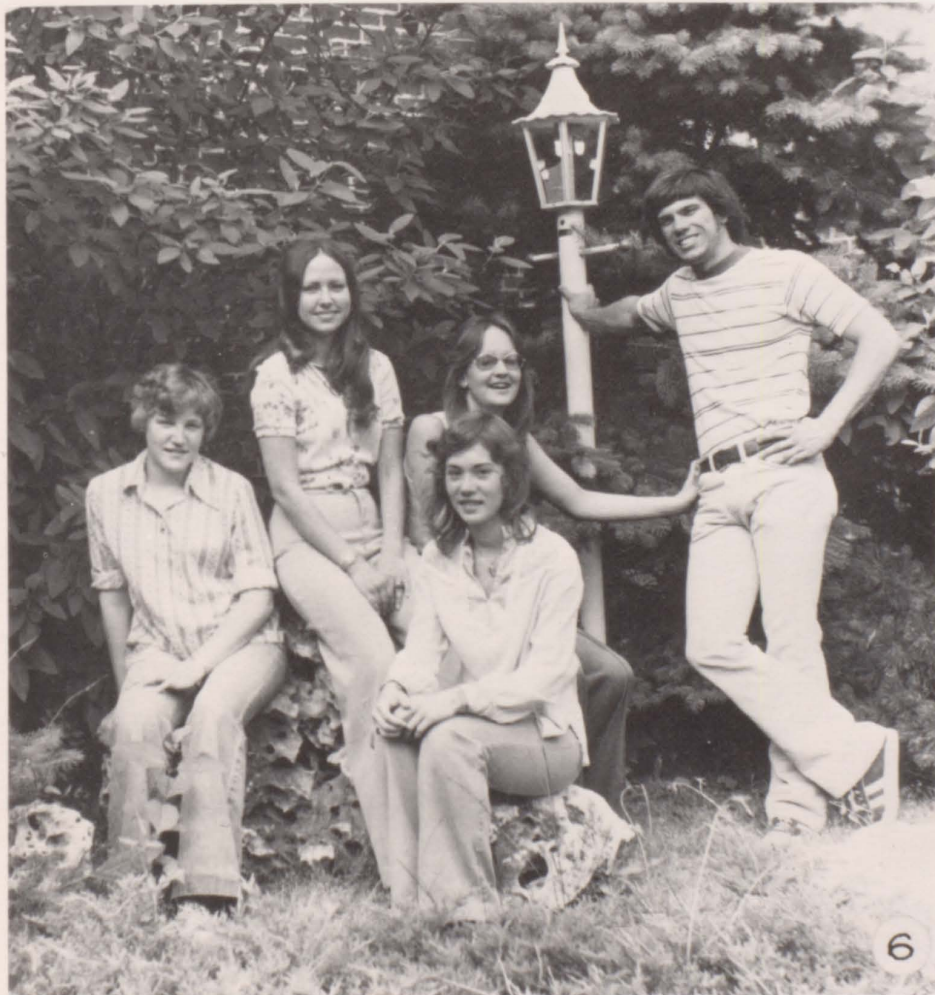
Northtown hosts four AFS'ers



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- 1 Mrs. Marge Neer and Francois exchange pleasantries in the library before school.
- 2 Andre glances fondly at Randy while Sherry focuses her attention on the television.
- 3 Sherry Davis plays the piano while Andre, Mr. and Mrs. Davis and Randy listen.
- 4 Cheri Traylor, Barb Werner, and Francois catch up on their reading in Mr. Leimkuhler's quiet library.
- 5 Francois finds a book that sounds interesting in the card catalog.
- 6 The 1974-75 AFS officers are Susan Cassidy, historian; Kathy Smith, secretary; Vickie Shelquist, vice-president; Kelli Nichols, treasurer; and Ken Calvert, president.

Overshadowing the turmoil and strife throughout the world, *American Field Service* continued the tradition of being one of Northtown's largest clubs.

A welcoming picnic at Old Pike Country Club was bright despite cold and cloudy weather conditions. Club members sold holly in October that was delivered before Christmas. Approximately \$1050 was made by the sales and was put toward the AFS exchange program. The club had a Halloween party for the members in late October. This was an especially important occasion for the exchange students, as Halloween is observed exclusively in the United States.

On Thanksgiving evening the AFS club chartered a bus to take students to the Country Club Plaza lighting ceremonies for Christmas. As December arrived, the annual Fetch Can appeared in most rooms, with the money collected going for a telephone call home for each of the AFS exchange students.

Planning for the variety show began in January. Preliminary ideas for skits and acts were accepted and a general theme was chosen.

AFS Day was held at Northtown in February, and the AFS'ers were able to compare their lives in the United States with other students from foreign countries.

"Vive Video" hit the stage in March with rehearsals and final preparations. Much time and hard work was devoted to make the show the success that it was. The AFS cause gained \$900 from the presentation.

Living proof of the saying, "All good things must come to an end," was evident at the farewell picnic held in April. Miss Kay Widebrook resigned her post as AFS sponsor to the capable hands of Mr. Gus Leimkuhler, who will lead the club next year.

When Huynh Kim Hai left her home in Saigon, South Vietnam, she left amid war and strife. Her father was a map maker for the South Vietnamese government. She also left behind her mother, three sisters, and two brothers. In late July, she arrived to live with the family of Debbie Roschke.

As the school year progressed, more and more of South Vietnam, until finally, in springtime, Saigon fell. After this incident, the AFS central office decided that it would be in the best interest of Hai not to send her back. A family in Leawood, Kansas, notified AFS that they would like to have Hai live with them, and that they would like to send her to college. Next year Hai will be attending the University of Missouri at Kansas City.

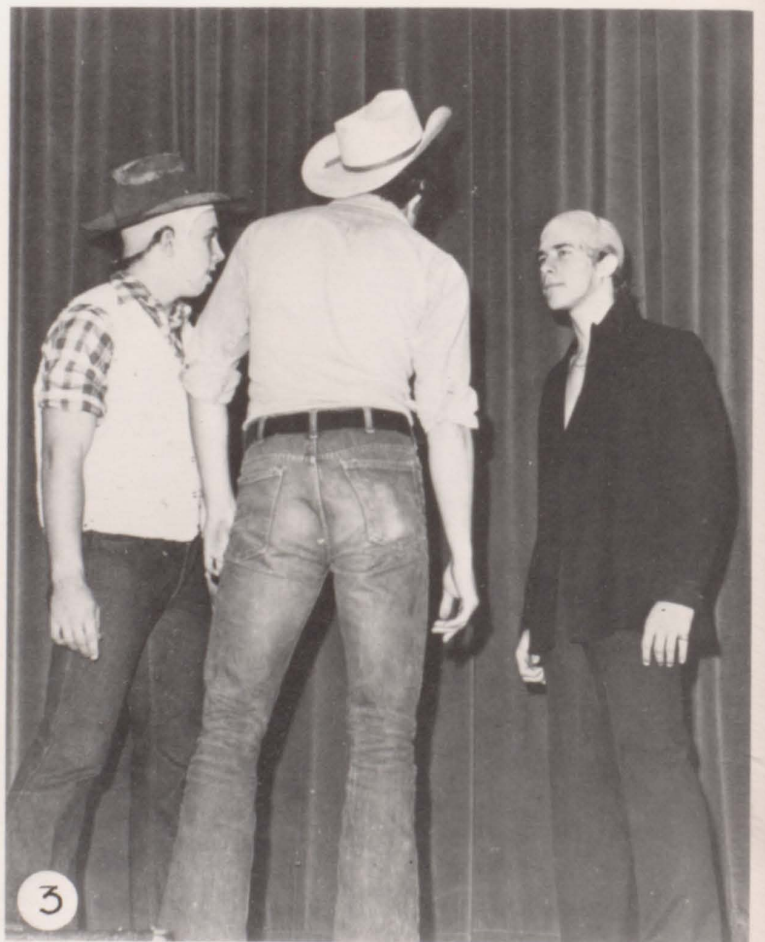
- 1 The four Northtown AFS'ers, Giancarlo, Hai, Andre, and Francois had the opportunity to talk to AFS exchange students during AFS Day at North Kansas City.
- 2 Debbie Roschke and her AFS sister Hai enjoy a quiet moment together.
- 3 Hai sharpens her skill at the sewing machine as she makes clothes for herself.
- 4 Giancarlo pauses a moment in the library to reflect on his days at Northtown.

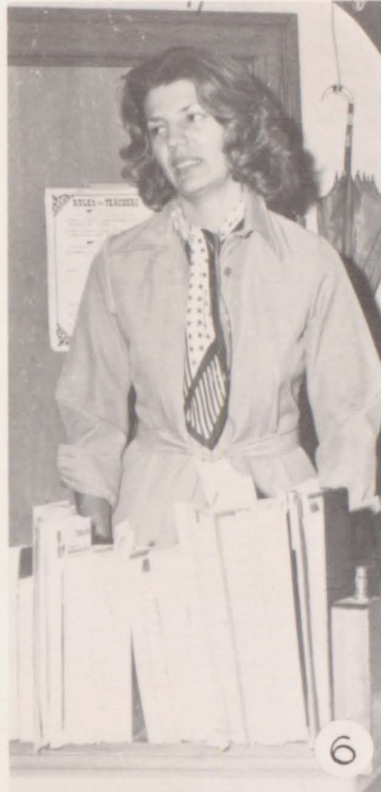
AFS overcomes conflicts





Variety shows Viva Video





A satire of television entitled, "Viva Video," was the theme of the AFS Variety Show for 1974-1975.

The show is based on a tour group, led by Diane Alban, visiting a Television Studio. The sights included in their tour were Glen Woody as Uncle Sally, host of his own variety show. His acts included the "Peppermint Patties," with Elaine Nees, Brenda Hayden, and Laura Balhuizen.

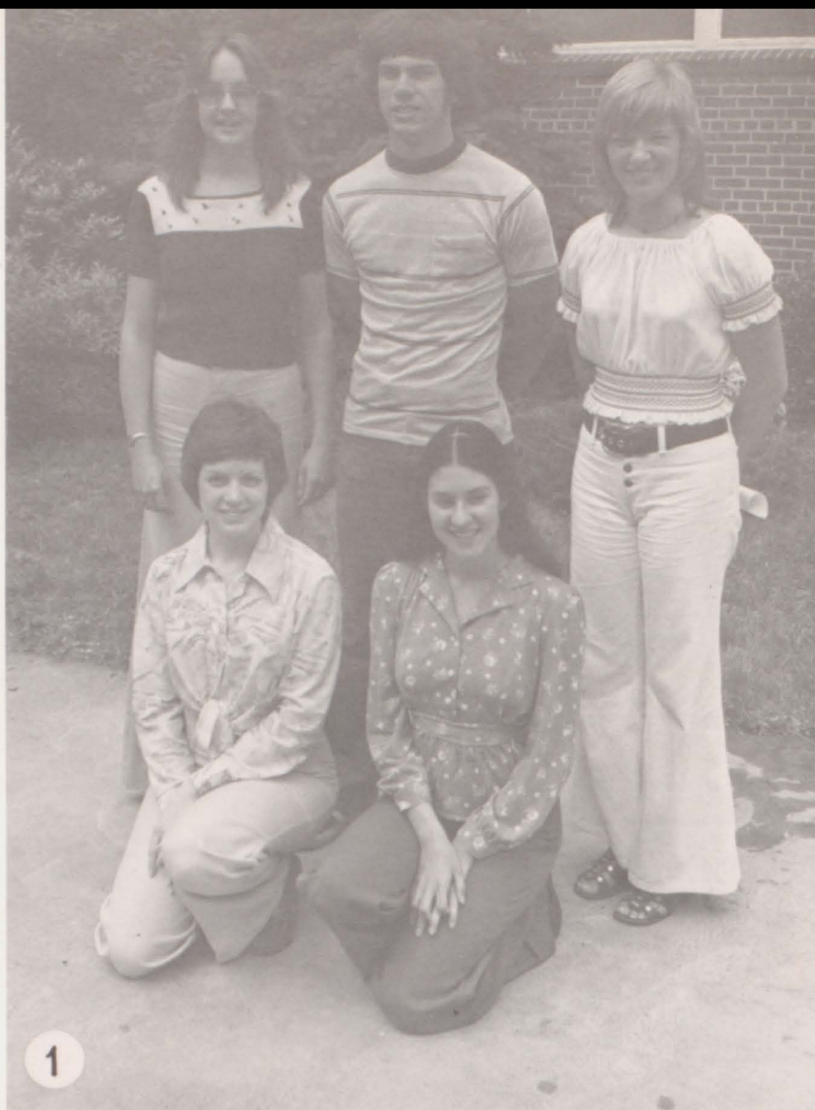
The next stop on the tour was Stuart Elliot and his rendition of the Ed Sullivan Show. Among his guests was Robert Busby dancing to "The Last Blues Song."

Closing the 1974-1975 AFS Variety Show was "Wild, Wild Kingdom," with Gary Rist as the trainer of a gorilla, aptly played by Steve Beamer.

The \$900 collected through ticket sales will go toward sending a representative from our school to another country, and to hosting three other AFS students here, next year.

- 1 Claudia Hamilton and Sandy Hayes ham it up for the Variety Show.
- 2 Gwen Edwards prepares to play "Bowling for Pennies."
- 3 Frank Sambol and Bob Van Camp have a show-down with Uncle Sally, alias Glen Woody.
- 4 Robert Busby clowns it up for the audience during the Variety show.
- 5 Gary Rist confronts the hairy beast, Steve Beamer.
- 6 Miss Kaye Widebrook, sponsor of AFS, is faced with another Variety Show problem.
- 7 Janie from Milgram's, alias Mark Larrick, tips the bottle again, and again and again.....
- 8 Brenda Hayden, Joan Rutherford, Phyllis Elliot, Mike Munger, Carla Scovill, Cathy Sovereign, Mike Vanatta, and Pat O'Dell are the pins in "Bowling For Pennies."

- 1 Providing the backbone for the National Honor Society were this year's officers. Bottom row: Sherry Leewright, president; and Debbie Carleton, secretary. Top row: Vicki Shelquist, vice-president; Ken Calvert, treasurer; and Dianne Saxton, historian.
- 2 Two year members of National Honor Society helped carry out the initiation program for new members. Bottom row: Susan Cassidy, Cyndy Owsley, Linda Middleton, Kathy Smith, Sherry Leewright, and Debbie Carleton. Top row: Vickie Shelquist, Rhonda Manlove.
- 3 Juniors accepted into National Honor Society will provide leadership for the club next year. Bottom row: Amy Short, Teri Mann, Teresa Leewright, Beverly Burk, Carol Middleton, and Susan Warman. Top row: Pamela Miller, Susan Swant, Bob Heath, Wade Woodson, Ron Henley, Greg Conkling, Laura Balhuizen, and Diane Alban.
- 4 National Honor Society also included Kathy Adams, David Allen, Loretta Allen, Rebecca Bartels, Delores Bary, Steve Beamer, Robert Beck, Karen Beilmann, Vickie Booth, Barbara Bowman, Barbara Carson, Betty Carson, Michael Couch, Ann Dickson, Ann Dudley, Barbara Dunbar, Douglas Eckert, Cynthia Estep, Bill Fanska, Debbie Foerschler, Teresa Gardner, Terre Gorham, Brenda Hampton, Paul Hayes, Cynthia Hazell, Martha Hoffman, Laura Hull, Clarissa Humbar, Janet James, Kyle Johanson, David Kean, Cynthia Keltner, Donna Jo Krohne, Carol Laramore, Elisa Legg, Cindy Leslie, Debbie Leonard, Kevin Lindeman, Andrew Lundberg, Stephen McCandless, Janice Martin, Debra Miller, Lisa Mynatt, Sondra Rinkert, Gary Rist, Deborah Roschke, Joni Rutherford, Ronny Saenz, Nancy Sapp, David Smith, Teresa Stephens, James Stewart, Michael Stockton, Vickie Teraub, Mary Tension, Karen Thomas, Cindy Tinker, Martha Ward, Connie Wiley, Janet Wilson, Debra Winkler, and Constance Yeater.



For the third year, students who became members of *National Honor Society* in their junior year tutored students during activity period. Organizing the tutoring sessions were President Sherry Leewright, Vice-president Vicki Shelquist, Secretary Debbie Carleton, Treasurer, Ken Calvert, and Historian Dianne Saxton.

Requirements for the National Honor Society were such that a student had to participate in school activities and really be involved to become a member. In order to join, a student had to have an S average or above. Points were received for grade averages, activities, and teacher evaluations.

An initiation ceremony was held on May 20 for new members. The officers and two-year members planned the program. It was presented under the direction of Miss Dorothy Barnett and Mr. Loman Cansler.

Scholars are recognized





Numerous purple uniforms identified the spirit of the *Pep Club* at the beginning of the year. Some of the main activities were decorating and planning Homecoming, Wrestling Invitational, and Courtwarming.

Sectional officers, along with the cheerleaders, put their creativity to use planning and presenting pep assemblies before the Oak Park and Winnetonka games.

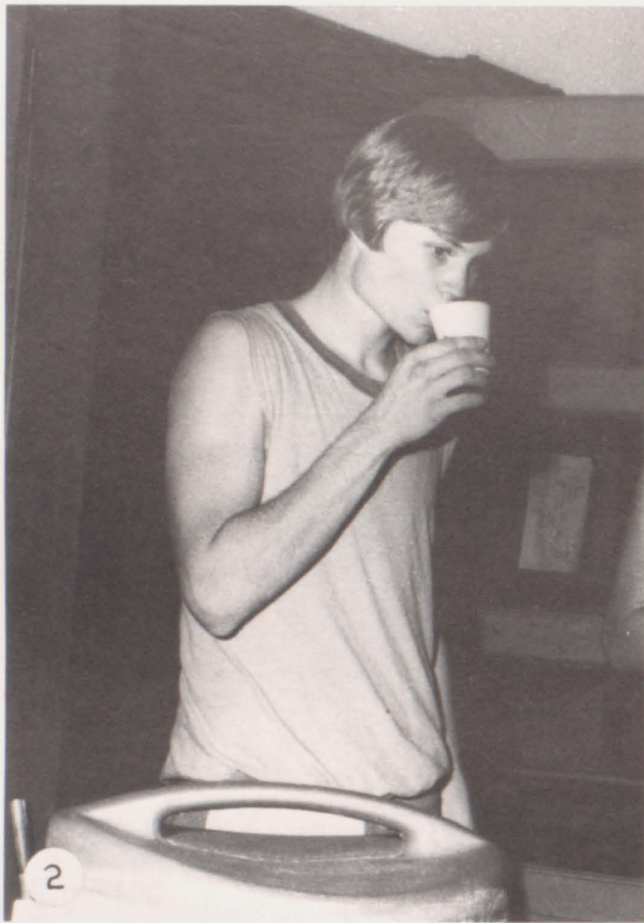
Throughout the year, the girls boosted spirit by presenting the athletes with good luck charms and decorating the halls with an array of posters building pre-game spirit.

- 1 Displaying the famous spirit stick are this year's Varsity Cheerleaders. Bottom row: Glenda Peace, Michele Ryan, and Kathy Thomas. Top Row: Rise Ragan, Pat Drake, and Donna Kline.
- 2 Guiding the Pep Club this year were the officers. Bottom Row: Sandy Rinkert, Jan Wilson, and Ann Dickson. Middle Row: Lisa Carter, Pam Wheeler, and Theresa Gardener. Top Row: Mona Robinson, Lisa Legg, Linda Middleton, and Cindy Seymour.
- 3 Leading cheers for this year's sophomores were Karen Spruyette, Theresa Lee, Kathy Bell, and Rachel Poteet (not pictured)
- 4 Hours of practice enabled this year's Junior Varsity Cheerleaders to assemble in perfect formation. Left: Teri Mann. Center: Amy Short, Kelli Nichols, Leslie Lee, and Debbie Higman. Right: Stephanie Thompson.



Pep Club thrives under leadership

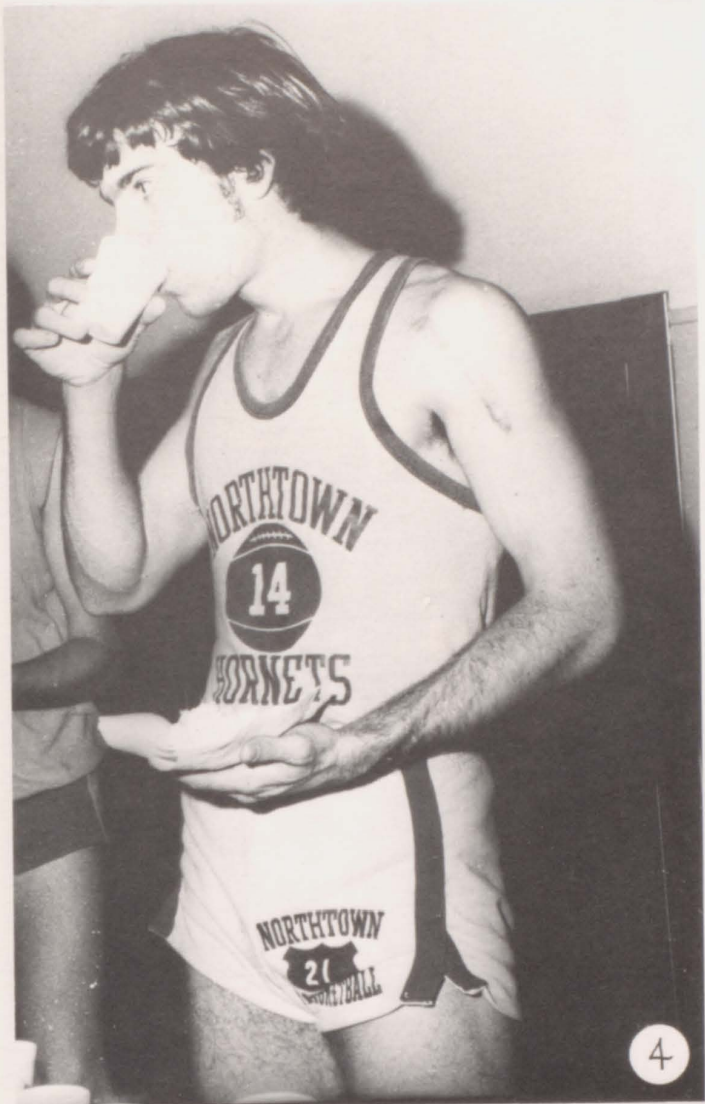




- 1 Smiling, Jan Wilson tips the cooler so that Neil Spencer and Craig Shiflett may get the last drop.
- 2 Kyle Johanson contemplates a long practice as he sips a drink provided by Pep Club.
- 3 Good luck charms are presented to Greg Follswell and Doug Rawdon by Sandy Rinkert at a pep assembly.
- 4 Using a napkin for a plate, Ken Calvert takes time out from basketball practice to refresh himself.
- 5 Michele Ryan, Doug Copeland, Mitch Wheeler, and Kathy Thomas give a new twist to a North Kansas City cheer.
- 6 Anne Dickson places a Pep Club good luck charm around the neck of Mary Mussurici before a girls' tennis match.

Things go better with Pep Club





With the rise of sugar prices came the rise of school spirit as Pep Club bolstered students to attend school sports and other functions.

Besides sponsoring the traditional Parent's Night and Court Warming, Pep Club added their own touch to Homecoming by having previous queens come back to reign over the celebration. Antique cars were used in the procession also.

The rivalry between sophomores, juniors, and seniors for the spirit jug remained the same. Originality prompted a new spirit creation during the time of the Oak Park student exchange. The club members sold spirit links during lunch periods to raise money for the class treasuries. Competition between classes to sell the most links exposed the rivalry to another angle. The lead changed hands between the classes during the competition, but the seniors pulled through in the last minute.





Pep Club introduces new ideas



- 1 David Peacher, Doug Rawdon, and Coach Jerry Diehl give their imitation of "Snap, Crackle, and Pop."
- 2 Kevin Derry, Mr. Legs, gloats triumphantly as he is unveiled to the student body at a pep assembly.
- 3 Performing at basketball games during the year was the Pom Pon squad. Bottom row: Joyce Chaney and Karen Thomas. Second Row: Debbie Carleton, Tammy Hultz, Kathy Webster, Patti Estes, Janet James, and Danna Cooper. Third row: Cyndy Owsley, Barbara Carson, Annasue Mohler, Cathy Braus, Joan Bonk, Cindy Tinker, Pam Scherer, Debbie Patires, and Betty Carson. Top row: Vicki Straub, Shawna Seidel, and Evelyn Tournoy.
- 4 A spectacular Hornet football play brings the Pep Club to its feet.
- 5 A Pep Club poster typifies the strong school spirit that Northtown possesses.
- 6 Following a spirit contest at a pep assembly, the victorious senior Class President Brent Harness, inserts a pie in the face of the two losing class presidents, Eileen Brown and Mike Seymour.



The *Purgold* Staff of 1975 learned basic concepts of publication. This was achieved through the process of doing. Learning the rules of layout and copy occupied the first few weeks of school. Soon the controversy of choosing a theme for the yearbook arose. After numerous suggestions and rejections, the theme "Fifty-year celebration," was chosen.

Assigning tasks on the yearbook was another problem, as ten people cannot hold a common position. When assignments were complete, production was on an individual basis with each section responsible for their part of the book.

Time was taken out for a trip to Marceline, Missouri. In Marceline, the staff toured the Walsworth Publishing Company. There the procedure for assembling a yearbook was observed.

Publications fight frustrations



1 Condensing an entire year in the form of a book was the job of the 1974-75 *Purgold* staff. Bottom row: Mrs. Jean Anderson, Mike Seymour, Nancy Huck, Rhonda Manlove, Cindy Seymour, and David Peacher. Second row: Diane Sheppard, Donna Jo Krohne, Diane Alban, Gaye Mathes, Scott Henson, Steve Robertson, and Cyndy Owsley. Top row: Pam Miller, Debi Winkler, Mary Jane Grooms, Sandy Messer, Andy Lundberg, Gary Rist, Laura Hull, and Dale Myers.

2 Nancy Huck and Connie Harbord contemplate a day's work on the *Purgold*.

3 Brenda Hampton proofreads an article she typed for the *Buzz* as she lets the typewriter cool down.

4 The 1974-75 *Buzz* staff shows the form that allowed it to produce a consistently good newspaper. Bottom row: Steven Beamer. Second row: Ken Bailey, Ren-na Stallings, Debbie Leonard, Susan Cassidy, and Kathleen Sovereign. Third row: Bob Beck, Dave Peacher, Fred Albertson, Cindy Estep, Cathy Brown, Roy Minor, Susan Warman, Joyce Hevalow, Susie Pryor, Susan Sherwood, and David Allen. Top row: Brenda Hampton, Greg Neumann, Mike Murphy, Dennis Painter, Mike Munger, John Greene, Dean Davis, Irene Holmes, and Connie Wiley.



Putting out a bi-monthly school newspaper was the chief responsibility of the *Buzz* staff of the 1974-1975 school year. Besides covering school events, the staff interviewed a sports personality, Wilf Paiement, had a press conference with Dr. Robert Howe, and featured editorials on the world in general. Aside from glamour, there were those every other Thursday nights, when the staff worked long hours at the *Dispatch* office getting the paper ready for press.

The newspaper that was delivered every other Friday to all the classes cost \$3260 to publish all year. A normal eight page, black and white issue cost two-hundred dollars to publish. For this reason, great care was taken in utilizing space.

Rockwood Country Club came alive on May 16 when the *Buzz* banquet took place. The Journalist of the Year Award was presented, as was the one hundred dollar Judy Kretschmer Scholarship.



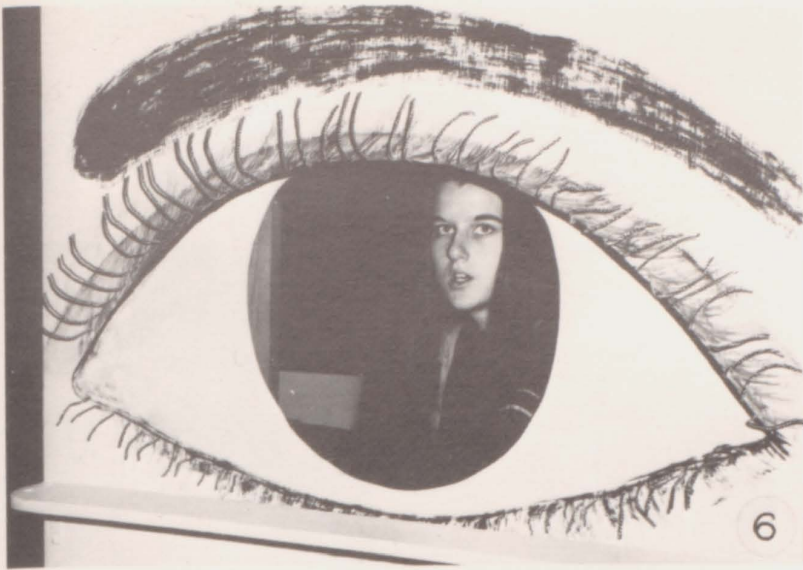
This year's Purgold assembly stimulated the celebration of a half century of traditions established from North Kansas City's beginnings in 1925.

Under much controversy, an old tradition was broken and a new one was established when Northtown's first male Purgold candidate, Scott Henson, chose to run.

Providing the entertainment for the assembly were Northtown's Harmonaires, who sang "The Way We Were" and "Days of Wine and Roses." Members of the drama department, brought back old times with chants, football, club, and cyclist skits. The other four candidates included Evelyn Tournoy with her slogan "Evelyn has a pure gold deal for you." Denise Howard coined the phrase "Don't be a puppet on a string, buy from Denise." Selling under the slogan "Buy merry memories from Sherry" was Princess Sherry Leewright. Miss Cindy Seymour was crowned queen with her slogan "See more with Seymour."



Birthday changes tradition

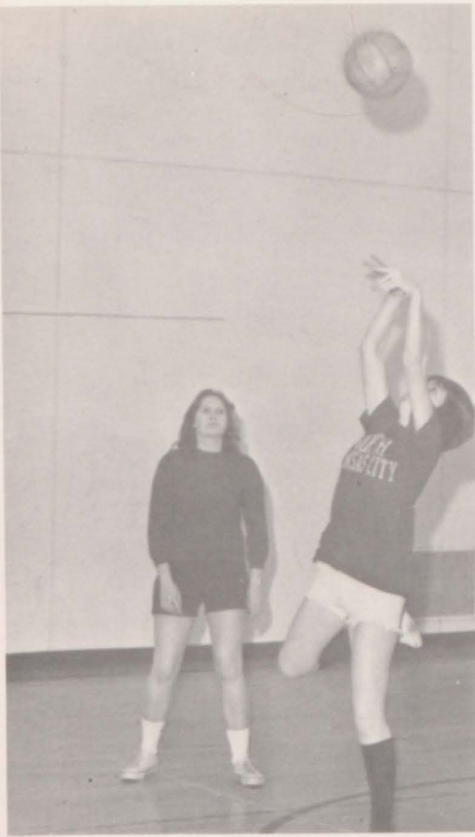


- 1 Scott Henson, Rennā Stallings, and Matt Matheney discuss Scott's campaign tactics.
- 2 Miss Evelyn Tournoy
- 3 Ecstatic over the news of winning are Cindy Seymour and David Peacher.
- 4 Princess Sherry Leewright
- 5 Chalking up another sale is Sherry Leewright as she sells a book to Susan Winters.
- 6 Cindy Seymour gives passing people the eye.
- 7 Mr. Scott Henson
- 8 Miss Denise Howard
- 9 Queen Cindy Seymour
- 10 Congratulations from returning Queen Debbie Reed and her escort, Nick Quatrochi, as Sherry Leewright and David Peacher look on.



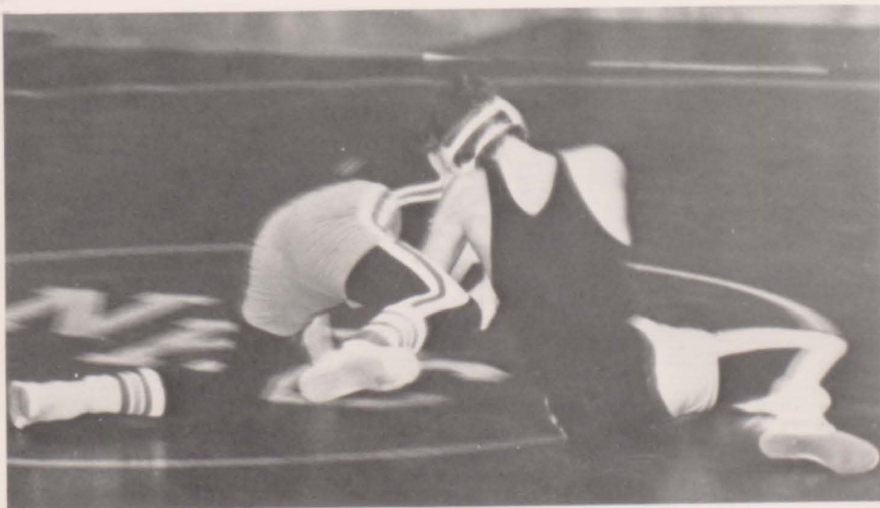


Sports



Those who play at games in sport are learning the game of life— and how to win— and how to lose

1935 Owl



1925-1975

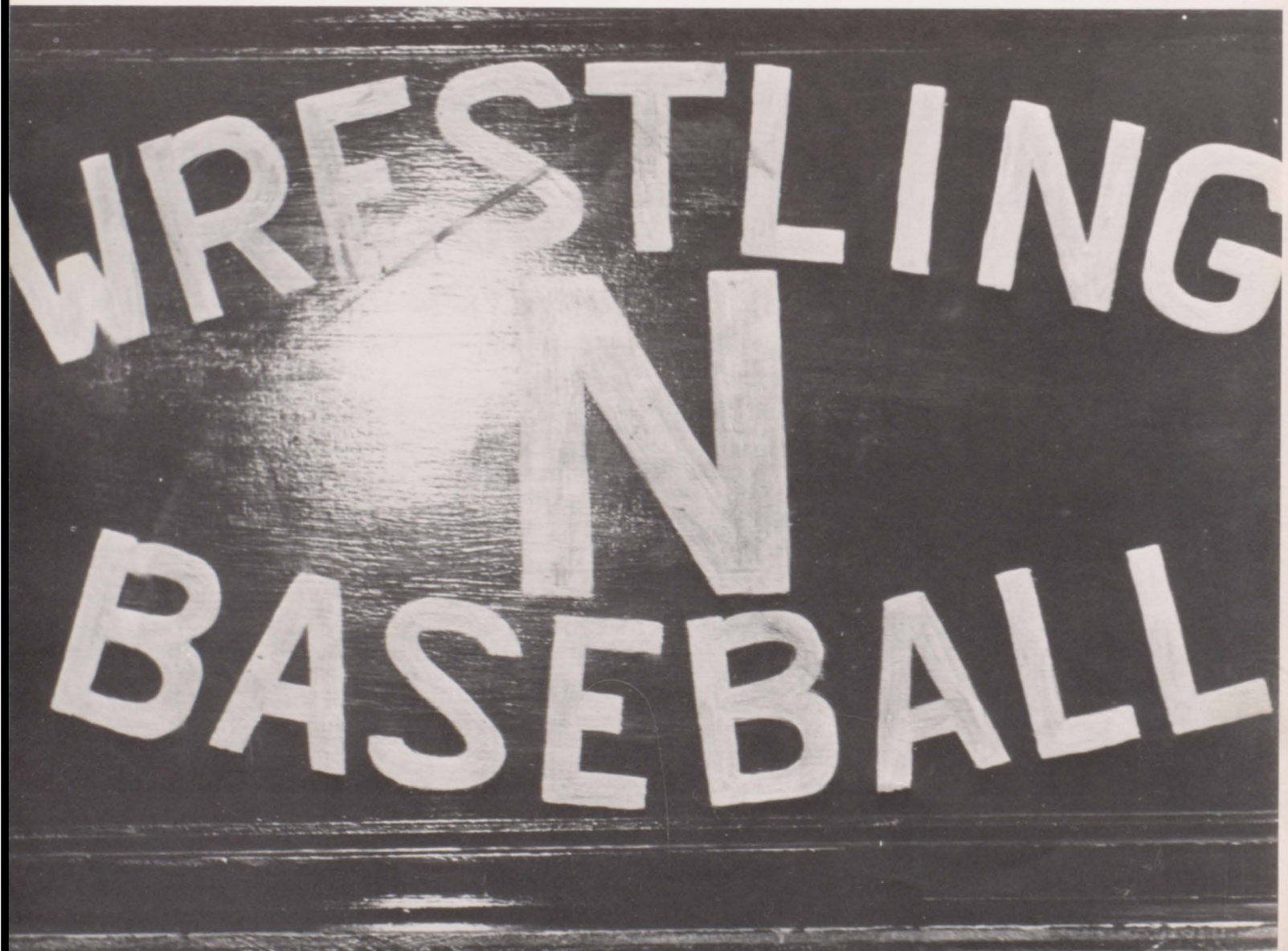
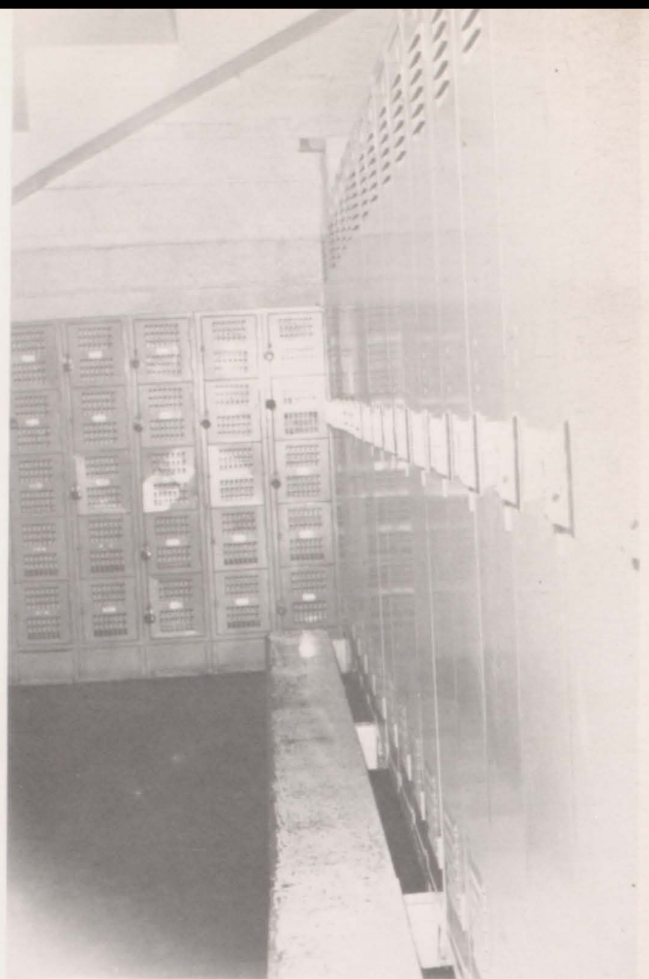
The boys' basketball team of 1924 was decidedly the best team ever produced at the High School. Much credit is due to McCall (Captain), around whom the team was built, and who was the only letter man represented at the opening of the season.

Several exciting games were played at home, and a special trip was made to Richmond. In these games Williamson, forward, and McCall, guard, showed real ability.

The scores of the season are as follows:

Country Day	20	North Kansas City	10
St. John's Academy	23	North Kansas City	27
Country Day	11	North Kansas City	23
Manual Freshmen	23	North Kansas City	4
Alumni	7	North Kansas City	18
Manual Freshmen	10	North Kansas City	12
Western Union	13	North Kansas City	29
Richmond	60	North Kansas City	9

1924 Owl



The opening of football practice brought forth numerous applicants, and throughout the whole season there were always plenty of heroes ready for a workout on the old gridiron. Letter-men, who practiced throughout the year, were Prather, West, Settle, Foster, McCall and Gleason.

The games of the season are listed below:

N.K.C.	0	Plattsburg	6
N.K.C.	12	Alumni	6
N.K.C.	7	Country Day	31
N.K.C.	7	Alumni	0
N.K.C.	1	Kearney	0
N.K.C.	16	Kearney	0
N.K.C.	12	Country Day	18
N.K.C.	0	Dearborn	31
N.K.C.	0	Dearborn	6

1924 Owl

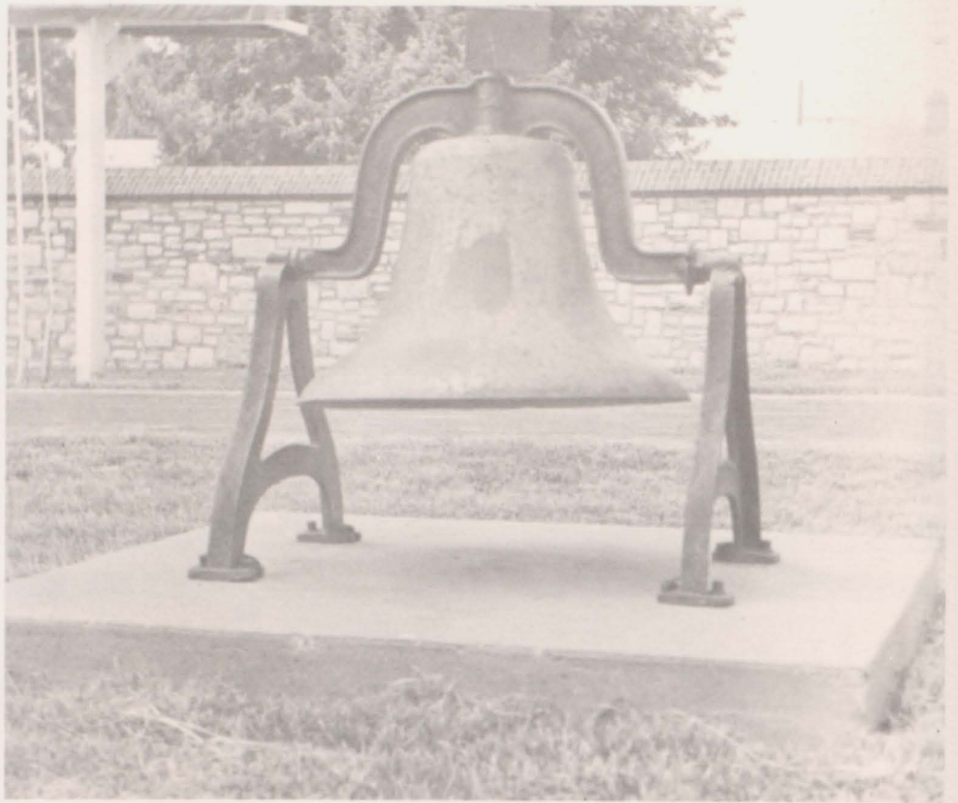
Gone But Not Forgotten
(Reminiscences in 1975)

"Yea North, Yea Town, Yea, Yea, North Town
From out the sidelines I could hear
The yell that's yelled when we drew near,
With a yard to go and our first down,
And then vague thoughts ran through my mind,
Of all those years far gone behind—
Gone, but not forgotten the past—
That football team that played their best
To win the game against Southwest
That worthy game I can't forget:
How we all entered in so bold,
To keep them from the Southwest goal;
How Miller played and ran so fast,
As Southwest chased him 'cross the grass.
They caught him once and knocked him cold
When he had run the only goal.
He played his best at Country Day;
In that hard game we made them play.
He ran the field to hear them cheer
That same old yell from year to year—
Then all stood up to give the sound—
"Yea North, Yea Town, Yea, Yea, North Town."

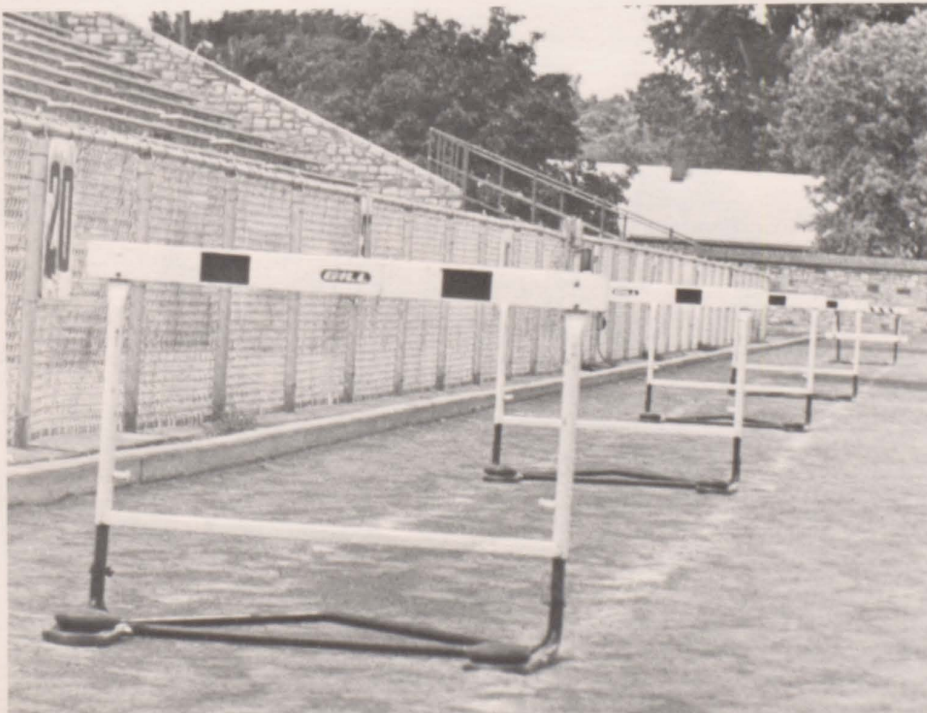
1926 Owl

Thanks to the recent Supreme Court decision concerning equality of sports in the high school, North Kansas City fielded a girls' tennis team for the first time in its fifty years in the main building. An all-girl volleyball team was also formed. The girls faced a very typical situation with girls' sports in that their coaching was inexperienced, along with their teams. In the upcoming year Northtown will also initiate a girls' basketball team.

Sports at N. K. C. has always been the most treasured and traditional aspect of the school. With the addition of girls' sports to Northtown's well-organized boys' program, N. K. C. can only hope the next 50 years will bring an equal amount of excitement.



1925—1975



Just when it appeared that North Kansas City was headed for one of their best football efforts in years, they dropped their last two games to end on a compromising five and five record. The losses could be attributed to both inconsistency and a lack of experience.

In their opening encounter with the Raytown South Cardinals, the Hornets showed nothing as they went down by the score of 24-0. The victory was no fluke as the Cardinals went on to the state play offs before losing.

The Hornets played 43 minutes of fine football against the Blue Jays of Raytown, but the Jays only needed five minutes to pin a 21-14 loss on the varsity squad. The winning touchdown followed a disputed fumble on the twelve-yard line of the Hornets that Raytown recovered.

North Kansas City clinched its first win of the season by defeating the Winnetonka Griffins 21-20 in a game marked by its frenzied state of excitement. The Hornets held a slim edge over the Griffins at the half, 14-12, the difference being two missed extra points by the Griffins.

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1 Offense Co-ordinator Coach Bill Durham, Head Coach Don Cobb, and Defensive Co-ordinator Max Payne serve as Northtown's three varsity coaches for the 1974 football season.

2 North Kansas City's Varsity Football Squad is, bottom row: Dave Raley, Steve Johnson, Mike Hounker, Mark Raines, Doug Derry, Curtis Haugen, Eddie Moore, and Gary Clemens. Second row: Ed McWilliams, Jeff Weir, Bill Fanska, Steve Larson, Bob VanCamp, Jay Elmore, Kyle Johanson, and Neil Spencer. Top row: Mike Seymour, Marty Base, Phil Harmon, Thurman Gardner, Rick Bowser, Randy Nolan, and Dennis Blanchard.



Season's start shaky



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The second half began with both the teams unable to convert effort into points. Then misfortune struck. The Griffins scored after blocking a Hornet punt and recovering the ball in the end zone. A two-point conversion widened the score to 20-14 with 7:46 left in the game. Northtown refused to fold. Piercing together a spirited drive, Kyle Johanson took the ball in for the score. The efforts of the team and a fine night by Junior Neal Spencer with 124 yards, finally paid off in points. Phil Rose added the extra point, his third for the night.

North Kansas City then walked all over the Tigers of Lee's Summit in their conference opener, winning 21-6. The backfield contributed heavily to the lopsided score. Halfback Eddie McWilliams exemplified the fine effort of the backfield with a touchdown run of 53 yards on his way to a 165-yard evening. Brent Harness showed good second and third effort as he bulldozed his way 39 yards for the second Hornet score. Fullback Cam Crouthers plowed over from the three-yard line to complete the Hornet scoring. The defense played excellent ball, holding the Tigers to six points. The win was a result of excellent football.

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- 1 Brent Harness, Northtown fullback, checks to see that Gary Clemens (60) does his job before bursting through the opened hole.
- 2 Northtown's Varsity Squad (continued): Bottom row: Frank Sambol, Phil Rose, Jeff Ward, Larry House, Brent Harness, and Jim Pennetti. Second row: Rick Wolverton, Joe Lane, Mickey Collins, Bud Stokes, Jeff Foerschler, and Mark Hall. Top row: Donnie Henderson, Vic Olds, Ned Shortess, Glen Woody, Ron Weber, and Cam Crouthers.



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The early morning rains foreshadowed the evening's events as the Hornets were unable to overcome the mud and a spirited Center team, dropping the game 24-13. The Hornets seemed to be defying the odds of maintaining a 13-12 lead over the highly favored Yellow-jackets at the half, but the Jackets burst the Hornets' bubble by scoring two quick touchdowns in the third quarter to gain the winning margin. Hornet scores came on a short run by Kyle Johanson and a 45-yard punt return by Curtis Haugen.

The Hornets bounced back in fine style to make Homecoming a success, defeating the Liberty Bluejays 14-0. Eddie McWilliams provided the winning factor, scoring from nine and ten yards out. The defense finished the job McWilliams started, holding the Jays scoreless. The victory sweetened the memory for all and, in particular, Homecoming Queen Ann Dickson.

Exploding for six touchdowns, five in the first half, North Kansas City lamblasted the Ruskin Eagles 42-7. The Hornets were led offensively by Quarterback Kyle Johanson who completed nine of fourteen passes for 177 yards and two touchdowns. He also gained another
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Hornets' homecoming is success



Defensive Points

Player	Pts.	Player	Pts.
Crouthers	297	Nolan	24
Derry	266	Lane	20
Ward	265	Bowser	15
Pennetti	261	Gardner	11
Collins	216	House	10
Spencer	203	Sambol	8
Weir	203	Hall	7
Johnson	184	Henderson	7
Haugen	169	Foerschler	7
Clemons	155	McWilliams	6
Rose	118	Moore	5
Houunker	114	VanCamp	4
Raines	92	Wolverton	3
Harmon	66	Stokes	1
Elmore	52	Larson	1
Fanska	46	Raley	1
Base	37		



touchdown on the ground. Cam Crouthers and Doug Derry led the defensive charge, along with Safety Jim Pennetti. The defense allowed only one touch early in the first quarter.

Then, in what Fullback Brent Harness called "our best game of the year," the Hornets beat a highly regarded Park Hill team 28-0. The game was filled with stand-out performances. Cam Crouthers had 60 defensive points, the high for the year, but the entire defense was superb as illustrated by the shutout and the total of 377 defensive points.

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- 1 Kyle Johanson receives some last-minute instructions from Coach Don Cobb.
- 2 After breaking through for first-down yardage, Kyle Johanson is pummeled to the ground by an Oak Park lineman.
- 3 Curtis Haugen escorts an Oakie to the turf after a completed pass as Doug Derry (22) and Jay Elmore (52) trail behind.
- 4 Mitch Lawson, football manager for three seasons, admires the plaque he receives in recognition of his fine help.

Receiving

Player	No.	Yds.	Avg.
Raines	15	144	9.6
Johnson	14	216	15.4
Harness	8	43	5.4
Haugen	6	117	19.5
McWilliams	3	27	9.0
Seymour	2	29	14.5
Wolverton	2	19	9.5
Spencer	1	5	5.0
Crouthers	1	6	6.0
Henderson	1	20	20.0
	53	626	11.8

Scoring

Player	Points
McWilliams	36
Johanson	30
Harness	30
Haugen	18
Rose	17
Johnson	8
Crouthers	6
Spencer	6
Elmore	6
Weber	6
Raines	2

Even though the defense didn't need much help, they got it. Eddie McWilliams picked up 141 yards, Kyle Johanson averaged over six yards a carry, but the real offensive show was put on by none other than Brent Harness. Harness gained an incredible 241 yards on only 13 carries, scored 3 touchdowns, one run of 50 yards and one of 78, and somehow found the time to catch a pass from Kyle Johanson. In all, the Hornets had 430 yards on the ground, and much of the credit must go to the offensive line. Phil Rose, Gary Clemens, Mike Hounker, and Marty Base manned the trench for Northtown.

At this point in time, the Hornets sported a 5-3 record with two games remaining, one against William Chrisman and the other against arch rival, Oak Park. They had a good chance to win both these games and have the best record for a Northtown team since 1963 when the Hornets were 7-1-2 and were number one in Kansas City. Fate, however, did not look kindly on the Hornets.

Against the Bears of William Chrisman, the Hornets could do no right, dropping the ball game 26-6. The Hornets lost the ball on a fumble following the kickoff, thereby setting the stage for the

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Hopes fall with final defeats





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Rushing

Player	Carries	Yards	Average
McWilliams	124	668	5.3
Harness	81	595	7.9
Johanson	87	183	2.2
Spencer	31	211	6.8
Crouthers	17	42	2.4
Weber	9	48	5.3
Haugen	9	76	8.4
Foerschler	3	14	4.7
Raley	3	14	4.7
Wolverton	1	3	3
Larson	1	3	2
Collins	1	-2	-2
Moore	1	-2	-2
	<u>368</u>	<u>1852</u>	<u>5.0</u>

Passing

Player	Att.	Comp.	Int.	Yds.
Johanson	121	54	5	693
Weber	10	2	1	16
Raley	5	1	0	15
	<u>136</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>724</u>

remainder of the game. The Bears took advantage immediately, getting the touchdown and the two-point conversion. The Hornets held their own for only a brief period as the third quarter began, scoring in the person of Brent Harness from the five-yard line. From there on the Bears took over. They scored two more touchdowns and gained the winning margin.

With all hopes of a conference championship dashed, North Kansas City had only pride to play for in their final game against the Oak Park Northmen.

Going into the game, both teams had 5-4 records, and the game looked to be that close. The game was give and take most of the way, with Oak Park taking first, a touchdown late in the first period. The conversion attempt failed. After this, the Northtown defense stiffened, and the scored stood 6-0 in favor of the Oakies. Undaunted, the Hornets stormed back to knot the score at six a piece on a 21-yard romp by Quarterback Kyle Johanson.

The third quarter was once again a battle of defenses, and both teams went without a score. The Northmen rallied in the fourth quarter to take a 12-6 lead, however, and things did not look good for the Hornets. Events took a turn for the worse, when, with four minutes left in the game, Northtown fumbled on their own 25-yard line. Unable to pass up this opportunity, the Northmen went on to score their third touchdown and finished the season for the Hornets with a 18-6 loss.

Although certainly this year was not a total success, neither was it a disaster. While many loyal Hornets hoped for more, looking at the situation realistically, the football team performed very close to their potential. Many of their games were won over much larger teams on hustle, spirit, and desire.



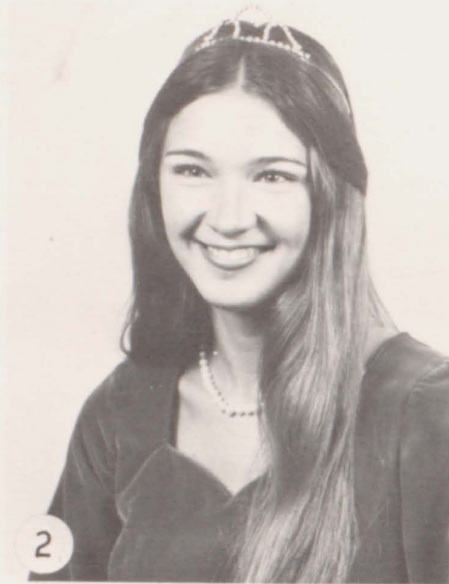
1 The next defensive play to be attempted is the subject under discussion by Team Captain Jim Pennetti and Coach Max Payne. Coach Payne leaves at the conclusion of this year to take over as head coach of Wyandotte High School.

2 Ed McWilliams breaks the hold of one would-be-tackler before plowing through the heart of William Chrisman's line.

3 An unidentified referee demonstrates the fact that football players are not the only athletes on the football field.

4 Curt Haugen and Neil Spencer double up on a Lee's Summit Tiger.

Golden years honored





"Those Happy Golden Years" was the theme of the 1974 Homecoming activities celebrating North Kansas City's fiftieth year anniversary.

This year the Senior class, instead of the football team, chose the candidates. The seven candidates were then voted on by the entire student body.

Before the Northtown-Liberty game, introductions of former Homecoming Queens from the past 50 years were made. At half-time, the candidates and the 1973-74 Varsity football players were driven around the football field in antique cars. The festivities were highlighted when the returning 1973 Homecoming Queen, Miss Leslie Brown, crowned Miss Ann Dickson as the 1974 queen.

Queen Ann and her attendants reigned over the dance which followed Northtown's victory. The gym was decorated as an old-fashioned town square with music performed by Kaptain Krunch.

- 1 Miss Barb Carson
- 2 Miss Pam Sherer
- 3 Enjoying the music of Kaptain Krunch are Danny Waters, Peggy Moore and Joan Rutherford.
- 4 Escorted by David Raley, Pat Drake smiles radiantly at the Homecoming assembly.
- 5 Miss Cindy Hazel
- 6 Miss Glenda Peace
- 7 Miss Pat Drake
- 8 Miss Betty Carson
- 9 Homecoming Queen Ann Dickson
- 10 Evelyn Tournoy talks with Mitch Wheeler before another dance.



Sophomores build season



1 Brett Durlington pursues an opposing player after a pass reception.

2 Lance Staves (44) and Wade Orr (72) lead the blocking for one of the team members on a sweep.

3 Sophomore Football team members are, bottom row: Jim House, Curtis Kleoppel, Brett Durlington, Jeff Wheel, Tim Hatfield, Lance Staves, Bob Hannah, Joe DeCap, Donny Nafsinger, Gary O'Dell. Second row: Ron Adams, Mike Clemens, Buddy Richards, Forrest Mason, Scott Smith, Danny Richardson, Tom Stephens, Chris Dove, Chuck Lashbrook. Top row: Richard Blincoe, Dennis Weymuth, Mark Wayman, Brad Eckert, Wade Orr, Mark Slaughter, Chris Langley, Mike McRoberts.

4 Bobby Hannah and Curtis Kleoppel keep close tabs on their opponent.

5 The Hornet offense discusses the next play.

6 Jim House greets an opponent as Brett Durlington looks on.

7 Lance Staves fires a pass behind a solid offensive line.





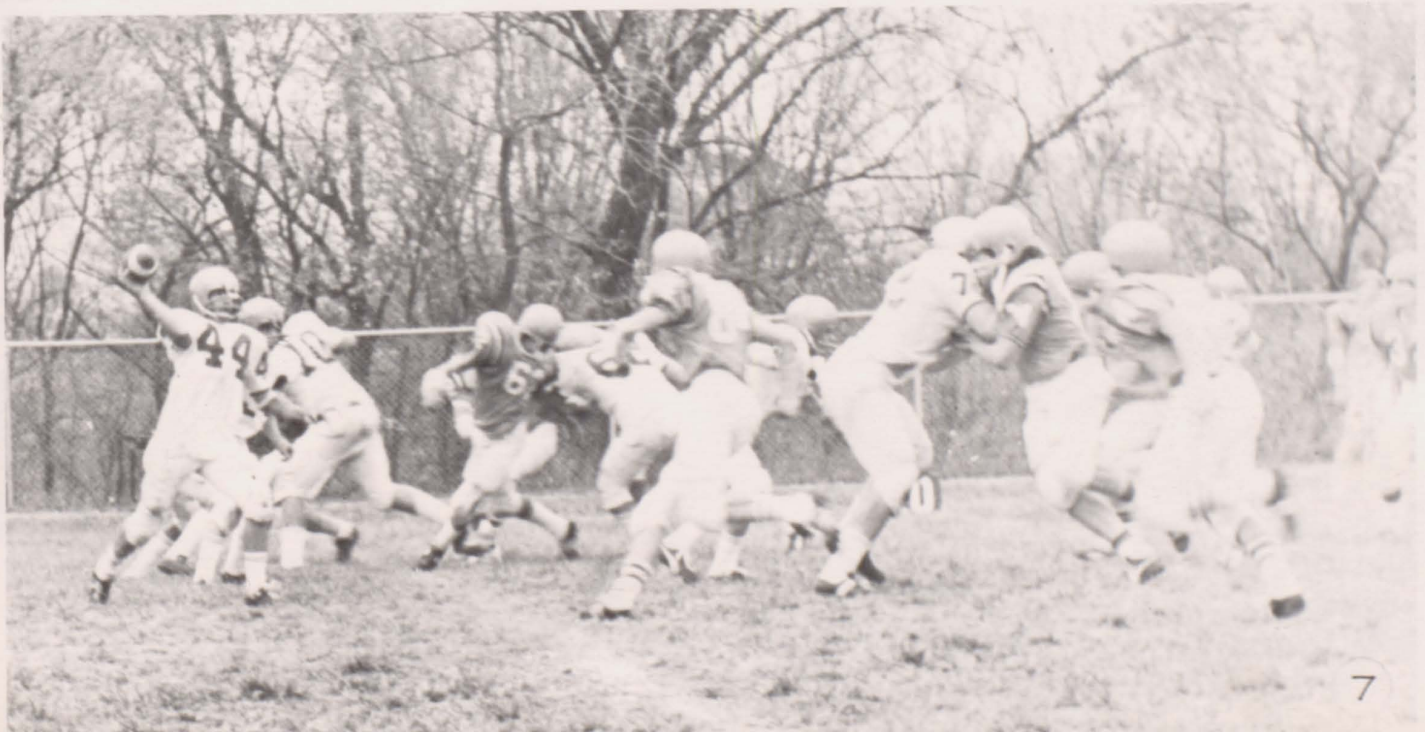
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Cross Country finishes strong

This year's cross country season consisted of more personal accomplishments rather than team triumphs. Northtown was gifted with its fastest runners in the last three years, but conference competition was extremely stiff. After a rather disappointing conference finish, the Hornets put on their best showing of the year, placing seventh out of sixteen teams at district competition.

Next year's season looks promising. This year's J. V. team had a superb season, finishing third in conference.

Dave Smith, senior, and Les Ryon, sophomore, ran the good competitive times 10:16 and 10:30, respectively.

1 Mike Martens moves to the passing lane as he pours on the pressure.

2 The 1974 Cross Country team members are, Bottom row: Derrick Rawdon, Doug Rawdon, John Baker, Gene Baker, and Joe Morris. Second row: Coach Gene McClain, Tim Smith, Greg Followell, Mark Duff, Burt Shewmaker, and Steve McCandless. Top row: Manager Steve Main, Mike Ackerson, Mike Martens, Les Ryon, Dave Smith, Dave Henneberg, Mickey Davidson, and Coach Leland O'Dell.

3 Mike Martens takes one last glance before putting on the kick to the finish line.

4 Gene Baker, a highly regarded junior, leads the pack.

5 Final preparations are being made by John Baker, Joe Morris, Mike Martens, Dave Smith, Dave Henneberg, and Mike Ackerson before another day's work.

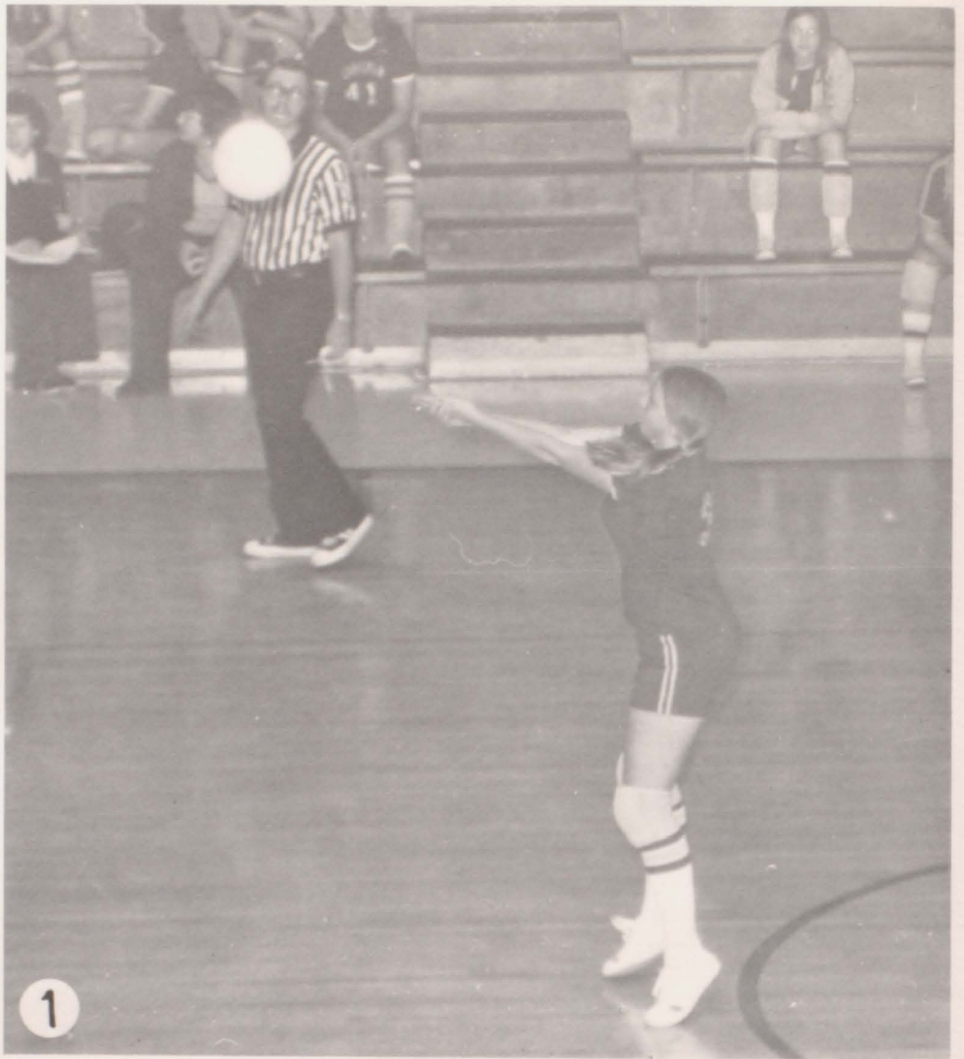


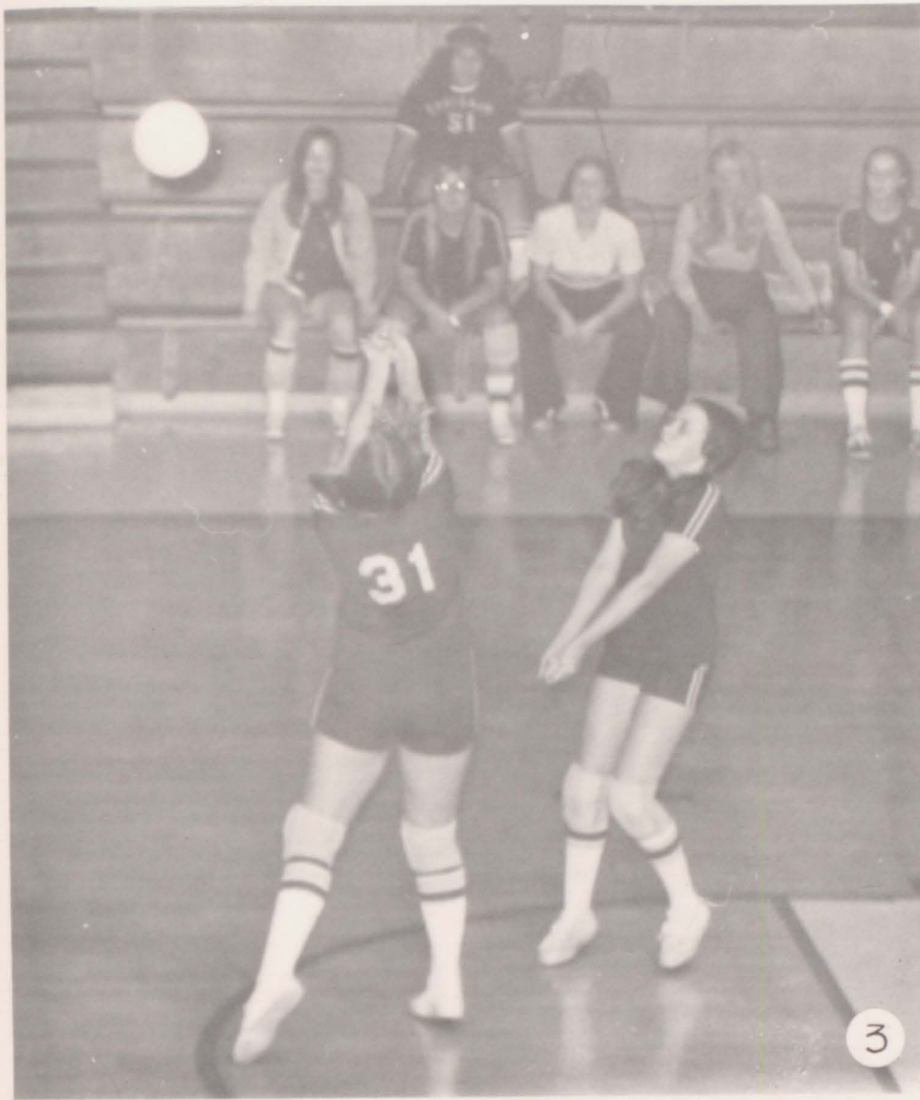


Girls volley in new sport

North Kansas City's own girls' volleyball team made their debut to the N. K. C. sports scene this year. Although they fought valiantly, they were unable to amass a winning record in a tough veteran conference. The team's record was three wins and seven losses. The season highlights were the two victories against Park Hill and a single win against Ruskin. The Junior Varsity spikers fared a little better in their competition, ending up with a four and six win-loss record.

It can't be said that the girls were ever out of the competition. Led by All-Conference honorees Marty Hoffman and Lisa Liquie, the Hornets gave their foes a run for their money. The girls came through in fine fashion for their first year.





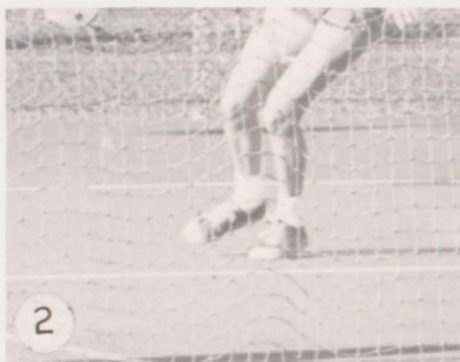
- 1 North Kansas City's first girl's volleyball team consisted of Elisa Legg, Lisa Lique, Michelle Ryan, Theresa Gardener, Loretta Morgan, Barb Wiesen, Teri Stokes, Carla Scovill and Kristie Long, manager. Second row: Coach Cobina Jacobs, Tammy Hultz, Marty Hoffman, Diane Sunderland, Barb Carson, Betty Carson, Sandy Rinkert, Debbie Smith, Shawn Corwin, Pam Shepard, Sherri Stokes and Brenda Haynes, Manager.
- 2 Loretta Morgan uses a hyperextended bump to return the ball.
- 3 On their toes for the return are Carla Scovill and Loretta Morgan.
- 4 With this stylish behind-the-back-bump, Sherri Stokes gives the crowd some excitement.

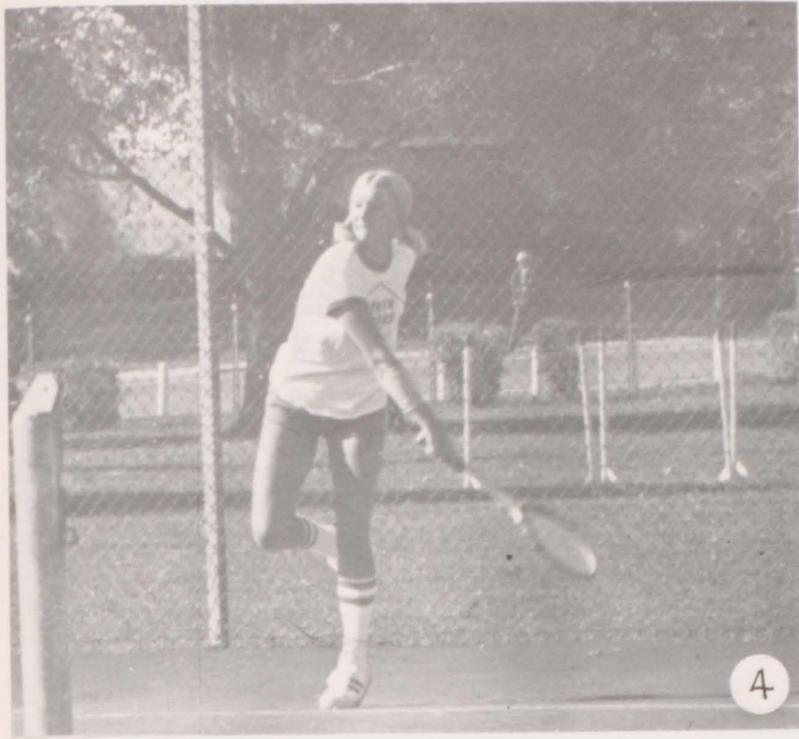


Fifty years bring girls equality

This year was without a doubt, the finest ever experienced by a North Kansas City girl's tennis team since this is the first year that Northtown has supported a girls' tennis team. The mixed tennis team split this year to give the girls equal opportunity in after-school athletics. Northtown was not the only school affected by the decision of the Supreme Court concerning girls' sports, and so Winnetonka and Oak Park had to field teams also.

The girls finished the year with a 5-5 record and a third-place finish in the conference, a fine showing for a first-year team. In addition Deena Smith and Karen Johnson captured second place in the varsity conference tournament, and Kathy Brown blitzed her opponents to take the J. V. singles crown.





- 1 Beverly Burk slams a serve down her opponent's throat.
- 2 Displaying the concentration and determination that exemplified the girls' attitude, Diane Kuhnel prepares to hit a driving forehand over the net.
- 3 The girls tennis team members are, Bottom row: Irene Holmes, Diane Kuhnel, Kathy Brown, and Debbie Higman. Top row: Laura Balhuizen, Margo Treadway, Beverly Burk, Mary Mussurici, Karen Johnson, Sally Burnidge, Deena Smith, Tana Hiatt, Nancy Turley, and Coach Jane Stone.
- 4 Tana Hiatt, Northtown's number one player, follows through with a powerful serve.
- 5 Laura Balhuizen gives the ball a good licking.

They tried but they couldn't do it. For a time it appeared the Hornet basketball team would go for an entire season and just win one basketball game. The team seemed to mesh as a unit, however, in the second half of the season and came through with a 12 to 21 record for the year.

The team was plagued with many problems throughout the basketball season. They had very little experience to begin with. This initial problem was compounded by a lack of height. Several times the Hornets fielded a 6'2" pivot against men 4 and 5 inches taller.

The Hornets began the season against their cross-town rival, Oak Park. They came up on the short end of a 71-60 score. Mike Hoffman was the high scorer for the Hornets with twenty-five points.

Their next battle was with the powerful Raytown Bluejays. Northtown was once again outclassed by its more experienced opponent, going down 87-43.

Then came the Invitational Tournament at Winnetonka. The Hornets started in fine fashion, dumping the Excelsior Springs Tigers 62-50. Their hopes for a championship were short-lived, however, as they fell 58-54 to Bishop-Hogan, and again 81-65 to the Winnetonka Griffins in a third place battle.

The Hornets got a shot at vengeance in the first game following the tournament as they once again played the Griffins. They came out like gang-busters, taking a quick four-point lead, but Winnetonka regained their cool before the quarter ended and went on to win 76-53.

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Northtown was unable to overcome the roaring start of the William Chrisman Bears. The Bears doubled Northtown's score in both the first and second quarters to take a 50-25 lead into the locker room. After the half, the Hornets played respectably but couldn't close the gap, losing 75-61.

The Park Hill Trojans were next in line on the list of Hornet opponents. The Hornet play in this game was atrocious as they shot only 25 per cent from the field. Even so, they were behind by a mere point with one minute left in the contest. At this point fouls and a determined Trojan offense went on to win.

Following this poor outing, the Hornets needed a change in strategy, especially since their next foe would be the number one team in the state, the Ray-South Cardinals. The change came as the roundballers came out playing a stall against the towering Cardinals. The strategy was successful for the first quarter when the score was 11-10 in favor of Ray South. The Hornets couldn't contain the hot hand of the Cardinals any longer, however, falling 54-37.

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- 1 Mike Hoffman shows what made him the best offensive player for the Hornets.
- 2 The 1975 Varsity basketball team members, bottom row: Steve Ferguson, Phil Cunningham, Kevin Derry, and Steve Beamer. Top row: Ken Calvert, Brian Niemuth, Chris Hayden, Forrest Feurer, Wade Woodson, Kyle Johanson, and Mike Hoffman.
- 3 Vic Olds leaps high to tip a jump ball to Eddie Moore.
- 4 The 1975 Junior Varsity basketball team members are, bottom row: Jim House, Craig Shiflet, Keith Province, Les Kyon, Jim Beers, and Ed Moore. Top row: Vic Olds, Jeff Sunderland, Mark Palmer, Kerry Austin, Ron Weber, Neal Spencer.

Roundballers host invitational



Their dismal play continued on the home court of the Center Yellow Jackets. The Jackets trounced them 64-39. Once again poor shooting, 23 percent, and poor rebounding allowed the Jackets to rip past the Hornets.

Now came time for the annual N. K. C. Invitational, celebrating its twenty-fifth birthday. The tourney boasted plenty of class with both the number one and number two in the state, Ray South, and Oak Park respectively. The silver anniversary of the tournament held only near misses for the Hornets, however, as they fell in the opening round, 57-56, to the fourth seeded Shawnee Mission West Squad. They then proceeded to lose to Rockhurst 77-47, eliminating themselves from their own tournament. Oak Park went on to defeat Ray South in the finals.

Hornet rebounding, or rather the lack of it, was once again the determining factor in their game against the Ruskin Eagles. The Hornets came out on the short end, 39-26 in rebounds and 72-67 in the score. Mike Hoffman led all scorers with 27 points.

Next in line was the Tigers of Lee's Summit. Only this time the Hornets went a little out of line. As a matter of fact, they won their first game since December 9, 1974, by a score of 62-50. Phil Cunningham had game high of 24 points.

Then playing completely out of character for the second game in a row, the Hornets plastered William Chrisman, gaining revenge for an earlier loss.

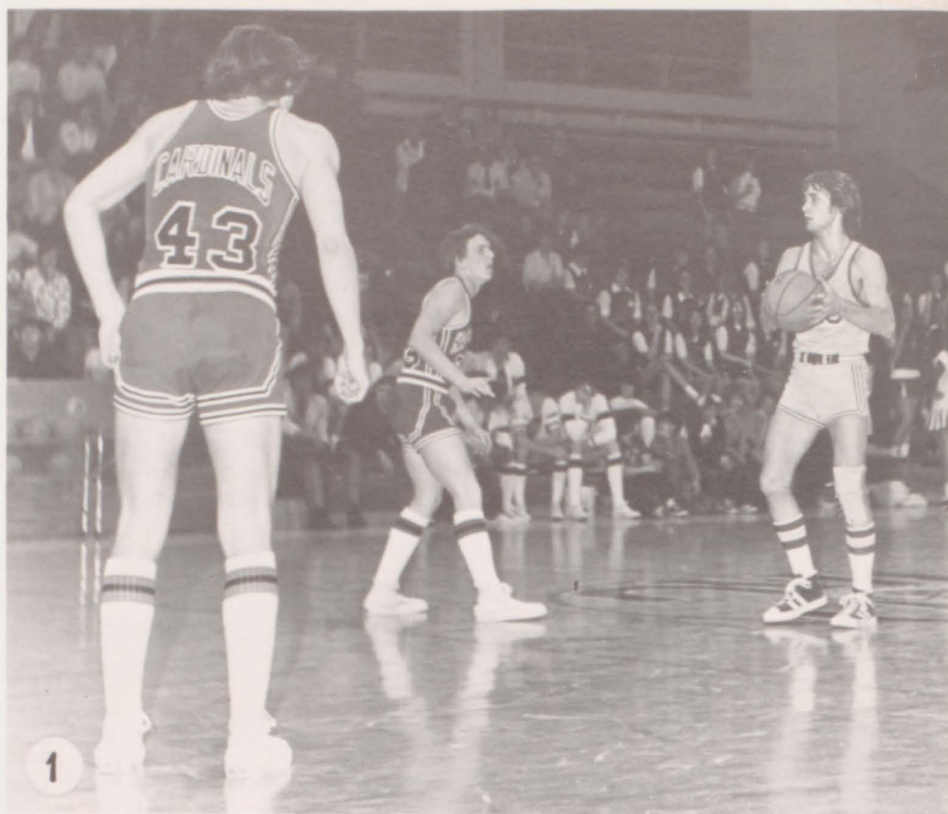
The Hornets reverted to their play of old, handing the game to Oak Park, 73-61. Oak Park slopped in six straight points to end the first quarter, and ice the game away for all purposes. Hoffman again led them with 25 points in the game.

Proving once again that no matter how bleak things look, there is still hope. Northtown waltzed to 66-55 victory against Park Hill. Utilizing a scrappy defense in coordination with a normal, yet sub-par offense, the Hornets shut the Trojans up and down.

February 18, at Northtown's Home court, the Hornets were stung by the Yellowjackets. The loss was mainly due to Northtown being forced in to 16 turnovers and a rebound problem causing them to be drastically outboarded 30-35.

Next, the Hornets were victorious over the Ruskin Eagles with a score of 60-44 with only two turnovers during the entire game. High scorers for the Roundballers were Phil Cunningham, Forrest Feurer, and Mike Hoffman. In the final eight minutes of the game N. K. C. doubled Ruskin's score for the second half.

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- 1 Mike Hoffman looks for help from his teammates before the Cardinals of Ray South close in.
- 2 The fine art of jumpshooting is displayed by Forrest Feurer.
- 3 The Lee's Summit Tigers gang up on a determined Kyle Johanson.
- 4 Brian Niemuth leads a charge of Hornet roundballers against a single Shawnee Mission West player. Phil Cunningham, Chris Hayden, and Mike Hoffman look on.

Hornets improve with age

1974-75 N.K.C. BASKETBALL STATISTICS—VARSITY: RECORD—7-16: 5-5(Conf.)

NAME	Games	Qrts.	Field Goals			Free Throws			Total Points	Per Game Average	Rebounds	Per Game Average
			M	A	Pct.	M	A	Pct.				
Mike Hoffman (12)	23	88	132	341	39%	61	92	66%	325	14.3	112	4.9
Phil Cunningham (12)	23	84	111	270	41%	20	26	76%	242	10.5	66	2.8
Forrest Faurer (12)	22	80	98	222	44%	63	86	73%	259	11.7	120	5.5
Kyle Johanson (12)	23	85	70	175	40%	26	51	51%	166	7.2	112	4.9
Brian Niemuth (12)	21	74	64	176	36%	23	31	74%	151	7.1	76	3.6
Chris Hayden (12)	21	59	23	78	29%	14	22	63%	60	2.9	61	2.9
Ken Calvert (12)	18	25	4	22	18%	1	4	25%	9	0.5	14	0.8
Kevin Derry (11)	20	43	20	52	38%	30	42	71%	70	3.5	32	1.6
Wade Woodson (11)	14	23	3	23	13%	14	17	82%	18	1.3	21	1.5
Ron Weber (11)	6	6	2	3	66%	1	7	14%	5	0.8	4	0.6
Neal Spencer (11)	5	5	0	3	00%	0	0	00%	0	0.0	3	0.6
Vic Olds (11)	4	4	0	6	00%	0	1	00%	0	0.0	3	0.7
O-T-H-E-R-S	6	42	13	43	30%	12	17	70%	38	6.3	38	6.3
TEAM TOTALS	23	92	551	1478	37%	281	429	66%	1383	60.1	654	28.4
OPPONENTS TOTALS	23	92	640	1383	46%	253	367	69%	1533	66.7	782	34.0

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS	Hoffman	Cunningham	Feurer	Johanson	Niemuth	Hayden	Calvert	Derry	Others
Assists	35	24	13	31	26	11	2	19	5
Turnovers	67	46	30	42	22	16	5	19	17
Fouls	53	40	61	48	37	32	4	27	34
Draw Charges	2	3	4	6	8	2	1	7	2
Recoveries	37	29	25	33	18	7	2	23	9
Blocked Shots	2	1	6	3	5	3	0	0	8



Varsity, Sophomores move out

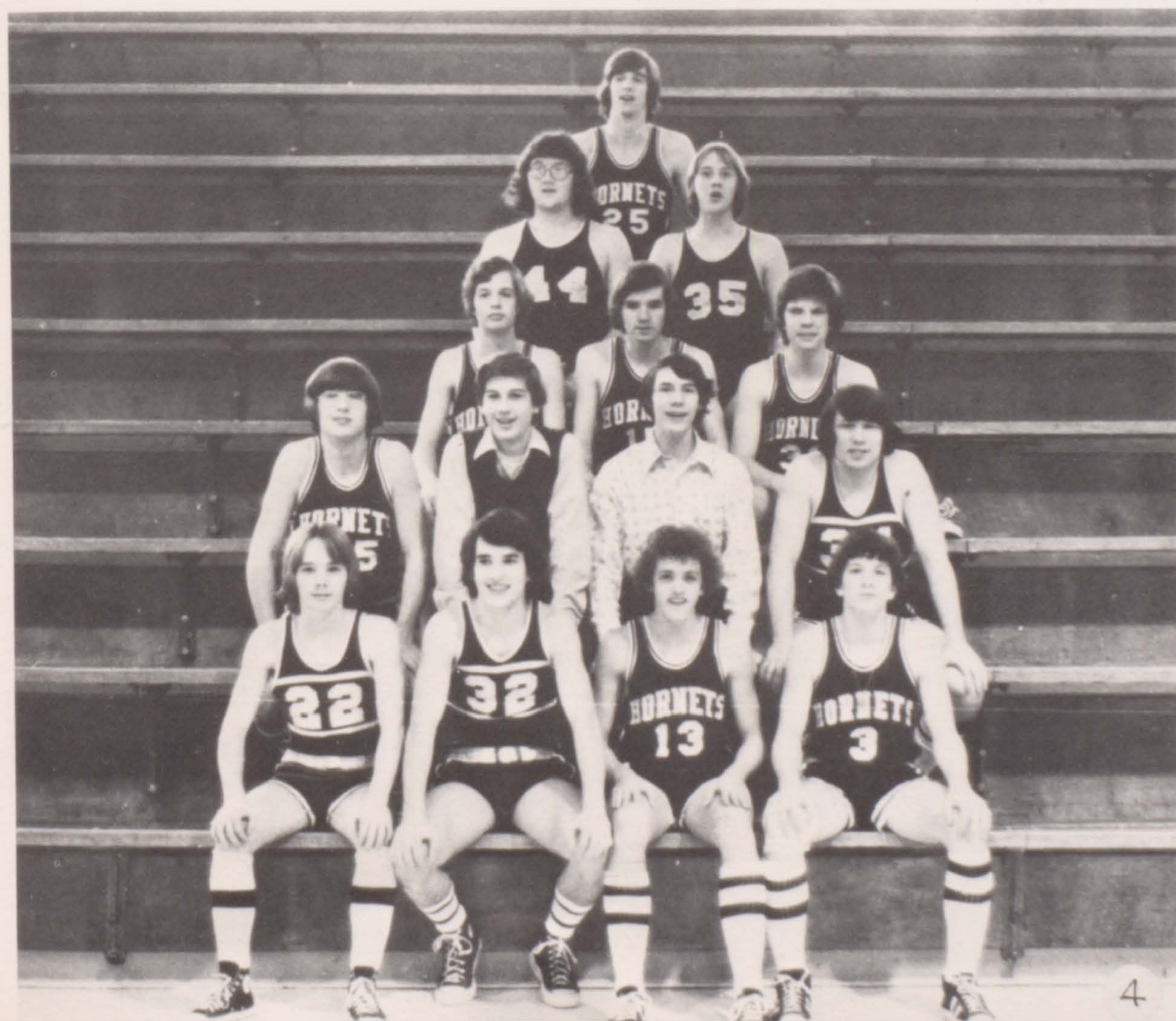


The Hornets took a turn for the worse when defeated by the Winnetonka Griffins 78-67. By halftime the Hornets were on top by seven points. After three and a half minutes in the second half, Winnetonka took the lead and overran the Hornets.

Northtown finished the year by losing to Lee's Summit and dropping the regional game to the Oak Park Northmen.

- 1 Mike Hoffman does his dribbling act against a Raytown South player.
- 2 Tigers pounce on Hornet, Kyle Johanson, but he is still able to make the lay up.
- 3 The Sophomores give their best effort as the fans cheer on.
- 4 The Sophomore team members are, bottom row: Rick Mackris, Joe Elliot, Tom Higgins, Jimmy House. Second row: Don Nafzinger, Jimmy Beers, Lester Ryan, Dave Bowen. Third row: Mark Smith, Scott Moore, Keith Province. Top: Mark Palmer.





Courtswarming expresses love





After two weeks of anxiously preparing for the 1975 Courtwarming ceremony, Miss Mona Robinson was crowned on February 14, by last year's winner, Miss Karen Johnson.

Using the theme of "Love is . . .," the candidates were introduced with their own definitions of love. Miss Lisa Carter defined love as being, "giving without anything in return." To Miss Melody Ratliff, "Love is remembering both my happy and sad moments at Northtown."

"Love is an emotional bond between two people built up by trusting, caring, and living for each other," was Miss Michele Ryan's interpretation of love. Miss Jan Wilson felt that love in her life "is the giving of one's self for the happiness and well being of others."

"Love is the capacity to reach out and touch the loves of others with understanding," was the meaning of love to the queen, Miss Mona Robinson.

1 Miss Lisa Carter and her escort, Gary Geiger, 1974 graduate, view the game from the Queen's throne.

2 Miss Jan Wilson presides over the Courtwarming basketball game with escort Greg Cohen, 1974 graduate.

3 Miss Mona Robinson grasps her escort's arm, Tim Plummer, as she is announced 1975 Courtwarming Queen.

4 Miss Michele Ryan is escorted to the throne by Dennis Diselhoff, graduate of 1974.

5 Miss Michele Ryan

6 Miss Melody Ratliff

7 Miss Jan Wilson

8 Miss Lisa Carter

9 Queen Mona Robinson

10 Miss Karen Johnson, 1974 Courtwarming Queen, relinquishes her crown to 1975 Courtwarming Queen, Miss Mona Robinson.



In one wrestling season the Hornet Wrestling squad traversed from the peak of perfection to the depth of dreadfulness. Early in the season North Kansas City's wrestling squad zipped from mat to mat in the dual season with the same results — victory. The Hornets ran to 23 their undefeated streak in duals; 10 of those victories coming this year.

Northtown's first hapless opponents were the Bulldogs from Grandview, who fell 42-19. The Hornets recorded five pins in the winning effort. Doug Rawdon, Doug Derry, John Allanson, Tom O'Donnell and Joe Eapmon were the five to record pins.

Next in line was the powerful Cardinals of Raytown South. Northtown once again put 42 points on the board, but held the opponents to a mere 15 points.

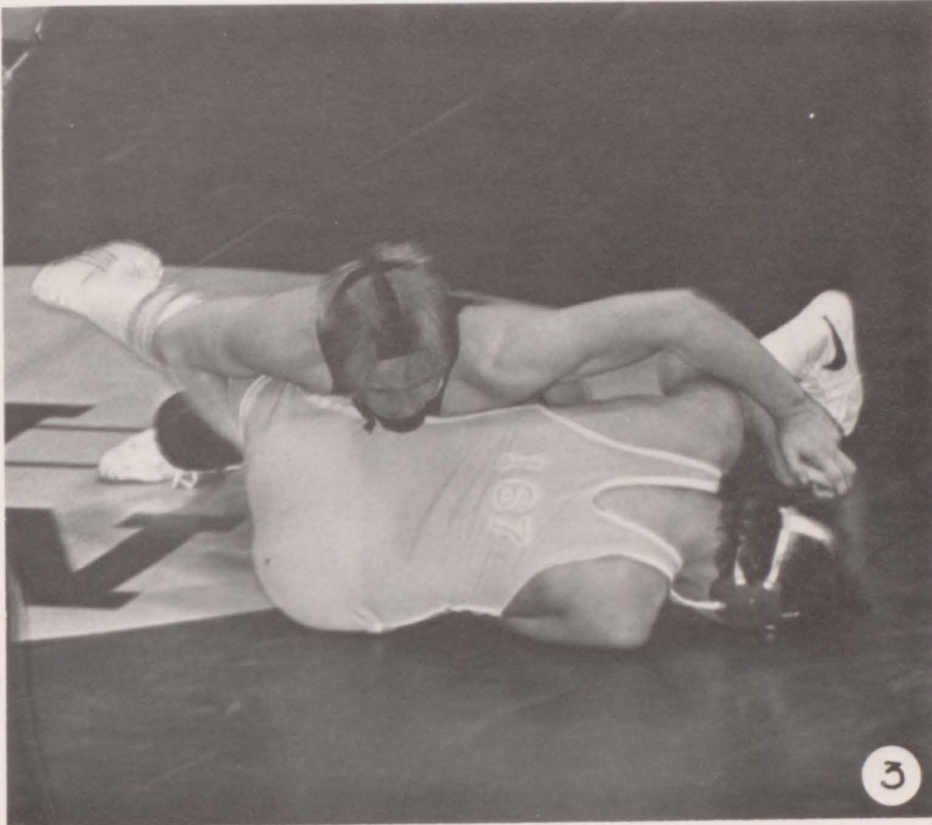
Ruskin was also unable to stop the Hornet rampage. Northtown breezed through their third straight match with a 32-12 thumping of the Eagles.

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- 1 Coach Diehl, Mitch Lawson check out the opposing squad prior to a match.
- 2 Wrestling team members are, bottom row: Matt Moser, John Baker, Tom O'Donnell, Bill Barbe, Doug Rawdon, John Macken, Gene Lamkin, Jerry Barker, Jody Kapp, Frank Sambol. Second row: Ken Sportsman, Jerry Delgado, Brett Durlington, Jim Matthews, Mike Clemens, Tim Smith, Steve Pryor, Bill Mathews, Bill Reust, Doug Derry, Gary Clemens, Joe Lane, Buddy Adams. Top row: Jim Stewart, Chris Dove, Mitch Lawson, Larry Andrews, Mike McRobert, Wade Orr, Tom Stephens, Cam Crouthers, Bob Vancamp, Donnie Henderson, Mark Hall, Phil Rose, Gary Morgan.
- 3 Tom Stephens gropes to find the handle on his adversary.
- 4 Jim Stewart makes his opponent glad that he uses a deodorant spray.



Season starts well



Distant St. Joe Benton came next in the N.K.C. Quad. Once again Northtown prevailed, crushing Benton 49 to 9. Six of our grapplers recorded pins in this stomping. On this same night N.K.C. wrestled twice. As it turned out, it wasn't the right place for any St. Joe team to be. Northtown put the clamps on another victory, a 47-12 thrashing of St. Joe Central.

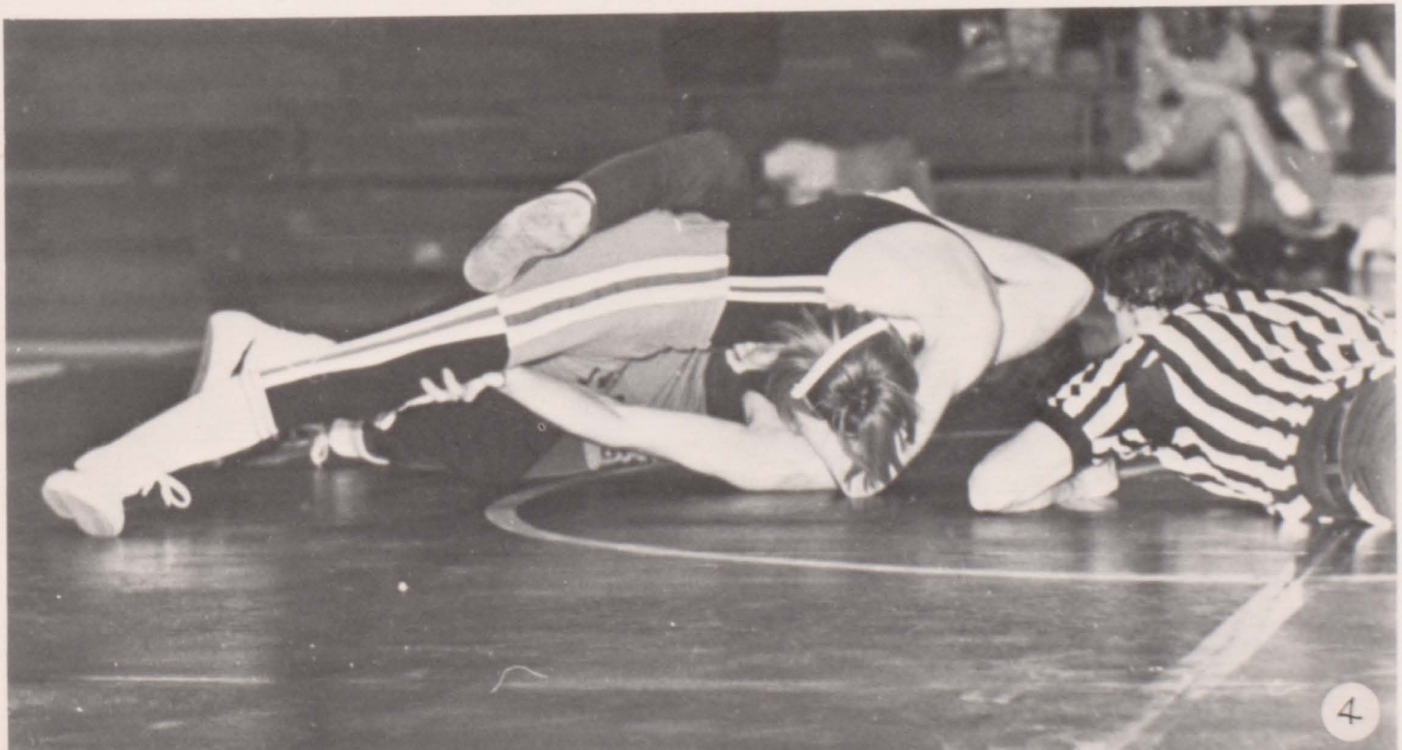
Keeping themselves very uniform, the Hornets showed no flaws in their sixth victory of the year. It came in the form of a 33-15 victory over Parkhill. With only two pins recorded, N.K.C. showed they could rack up points without having to pin everything that walked on a mat.

Neighboring Oak Park came knocking at N.K.C.'s doors with victory fantasies in their minds, only to be on the disappointing side of a 26-24 score. It was by far the Hornets' closest match, but no matter what the score, the main objective was once again accomplished. Bill Ruest and Doug Derry both pinned their opponents in less than 50 seconds of the first round.

Anticipating the eventual conference showdown, fans came in bundles to see Northtown defeat Center 31-23. This was a very important win for the Hornets, with the Yellow Jackets being built up as the team to sting the Hornets.

The undefeated Griffins of Winnetonka were next to hop on the Hornet assembly line. The Hornets showed up very reliable under pressure, winning 27-24. In the early goings the Hornets were behind 12-3, before beginning the breath-taking comeback.

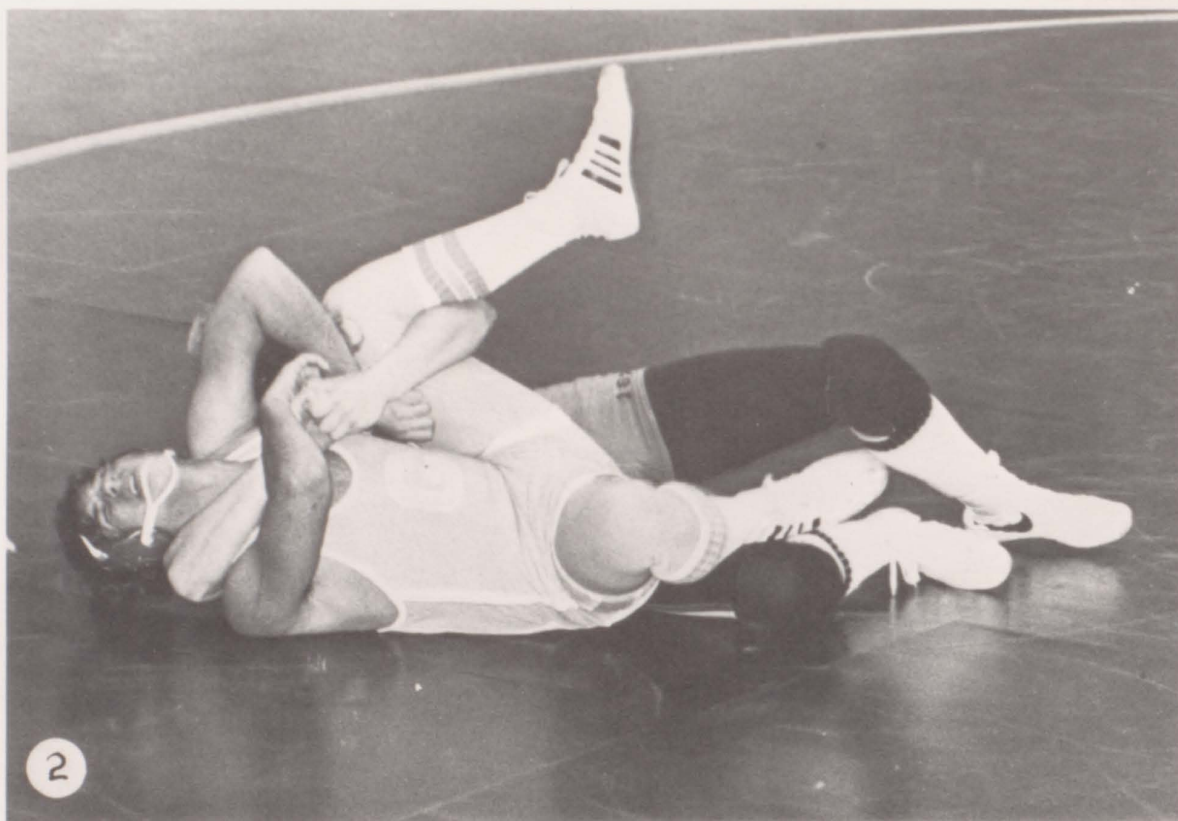
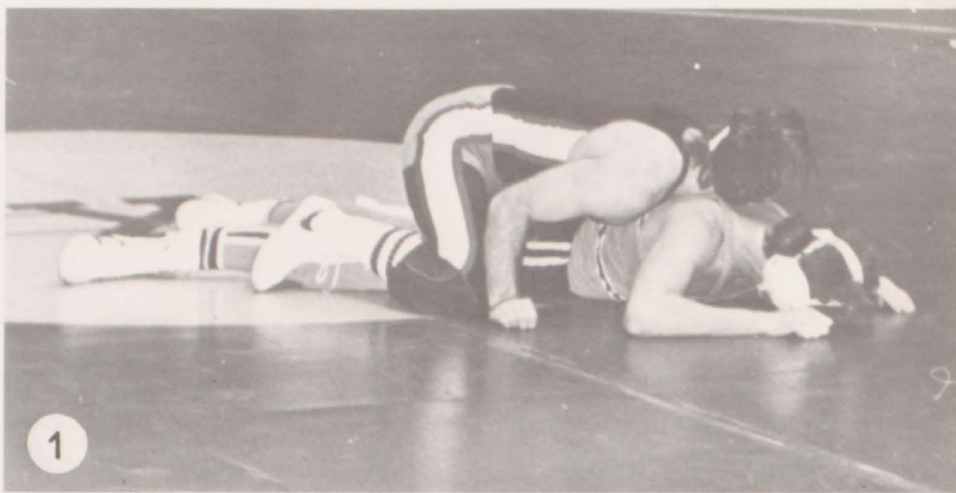
Excelsior Springs, defending a small state title, found out they couldn't win 'em all, losing to our Hornets 31-28. Gary Clemens, Doug Derry, and Cam
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Crouthers pinned their opponents in the early going to help ice another victory.

With 10 victories behind them, the Hornets decided to make it 11, doing it in good fashion. Number 11 on the list was William Chrisman, the score being 32-19 in favor of the Hornets. Although not being one of utter excitement, the match ended with desirable results.

Sympathy was a word not used by the 1974-75 Northtown Wrestling team, as almost any team around could tell you. To no one's surprise, the Hornets chalked up number 12, that being marked as the second undefeated season in a row for N. K. C. Lee's Summit invaded hoping to
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Season's end heartbreaking



break the string, but fell way short, losing out 33-19. John Baker and Tom O'Donnell recorded pins in the final dual of the season.

All this wasn't enough for the greedy Hornet wrestling squad, however, as they found it necessary to win both the Winnetonka and the North Kansas City Invitationals during their breaks from dual action. At this point everything was coming up roses for the Hornets.

Then, just when it appeared the Hornet Wrestling squad had transcended their human capabilities to bring a machine-like quality to their wins, a malfunction appeared in the form of two major defeats. The Hornets dropped conference narrowly to the Center Yellow-jackets and proved themselves human as they were blown out of district by Oak Park and Winnetonka. Although these are only two losses, they were the most important events of the year, and good as the year was as a whole, these two losses will be remembered most.

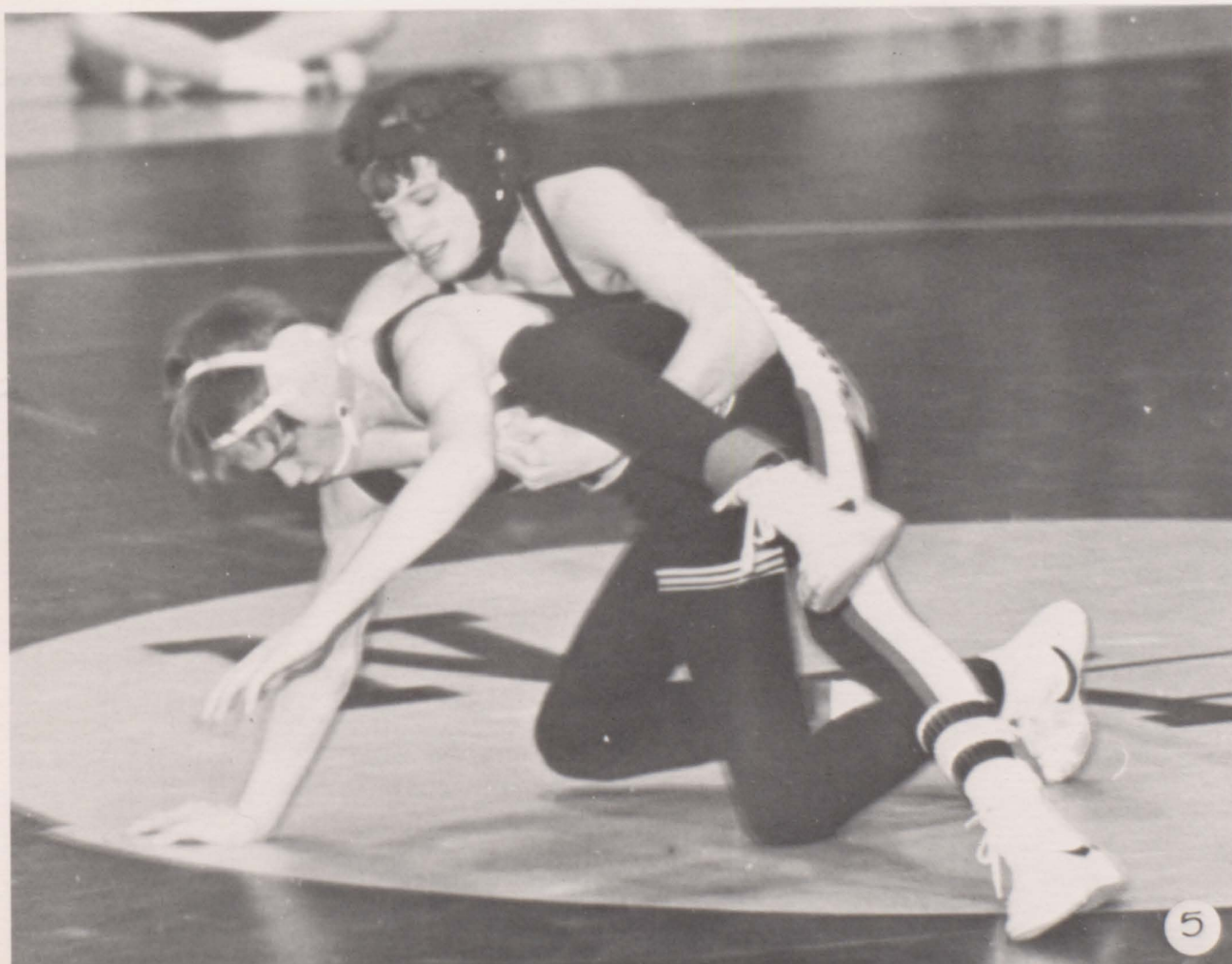
1 Phil Rose listens for a heartbeat in an attempt to find out if he's been too rough.

2 Northtown's Junior Athlete of the Year, Cam Crouthers applies the pressure to a Grandview grappler.

3 Bill Reust works to dislodge a wrestler from his shoulder.

4 Doug Derry undermines his opponent's plans.

5 Bill Barbe, Northtown's 105 pounder, works a cradle to his advantage.

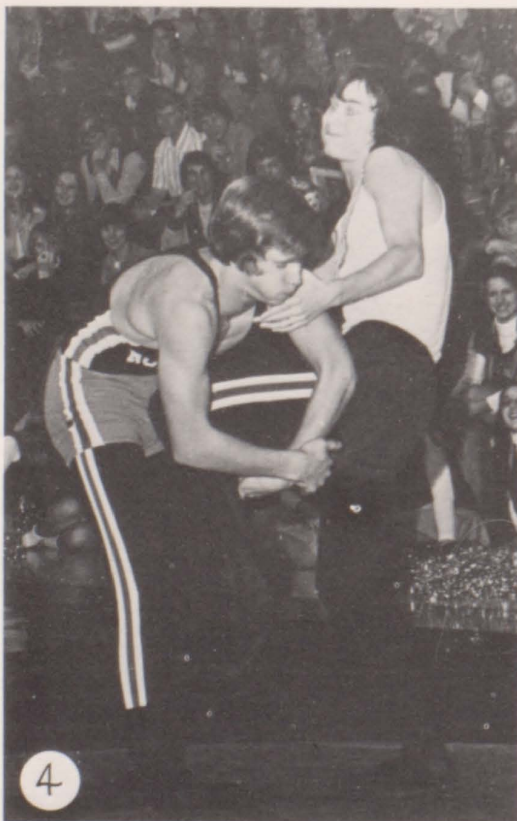


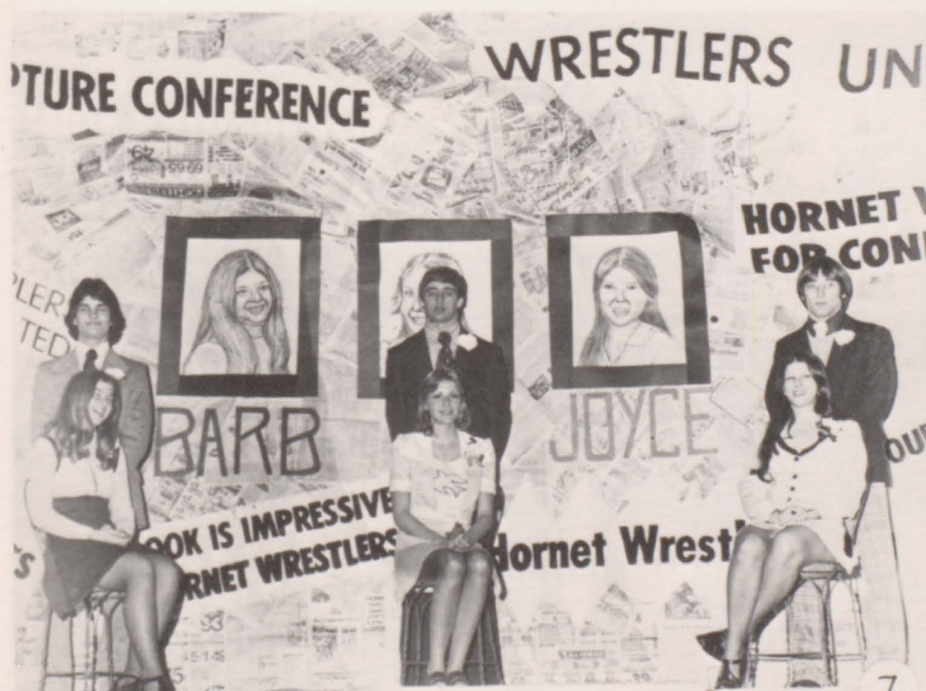
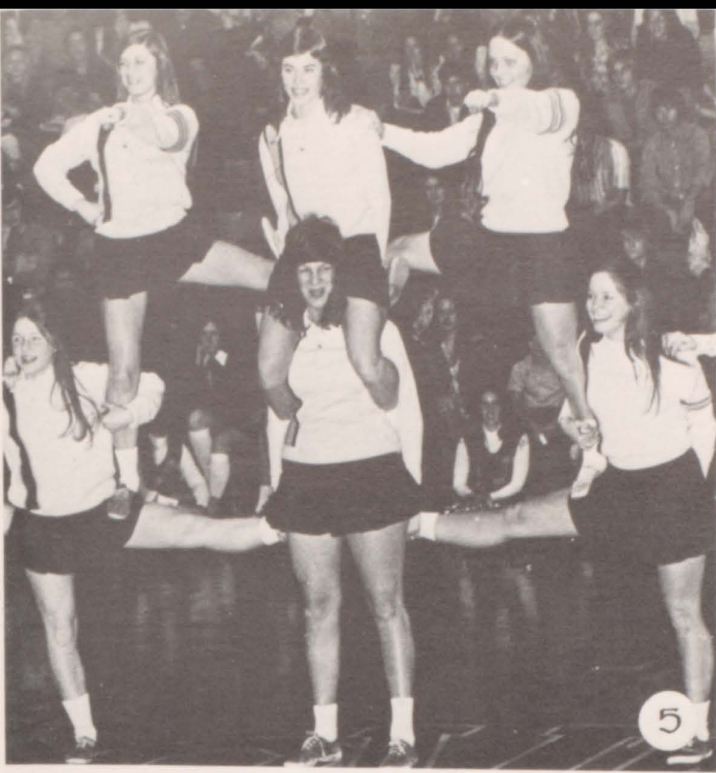
Hornets grapple a good Diehl

"Winning is a Good Diehl" conveyed the audience's feelings at the fourteenth Annual Wrestling Invitational for 1974-1975.

The three candidates for Miss Invitational were asked their opinions on winning. Miss Joyce Chaney said, "Winning is not always having the most points, but rather knowing that they have given as much of themselves as possible." Miss Barbara Carson felt, "A winner is a person who sets his goals high, and whose willingness achieves his final goal to win." Miss Jan Koontz replied, "It's not the winning or losing that really counts, but rather it's the faith and spirit that the person has."

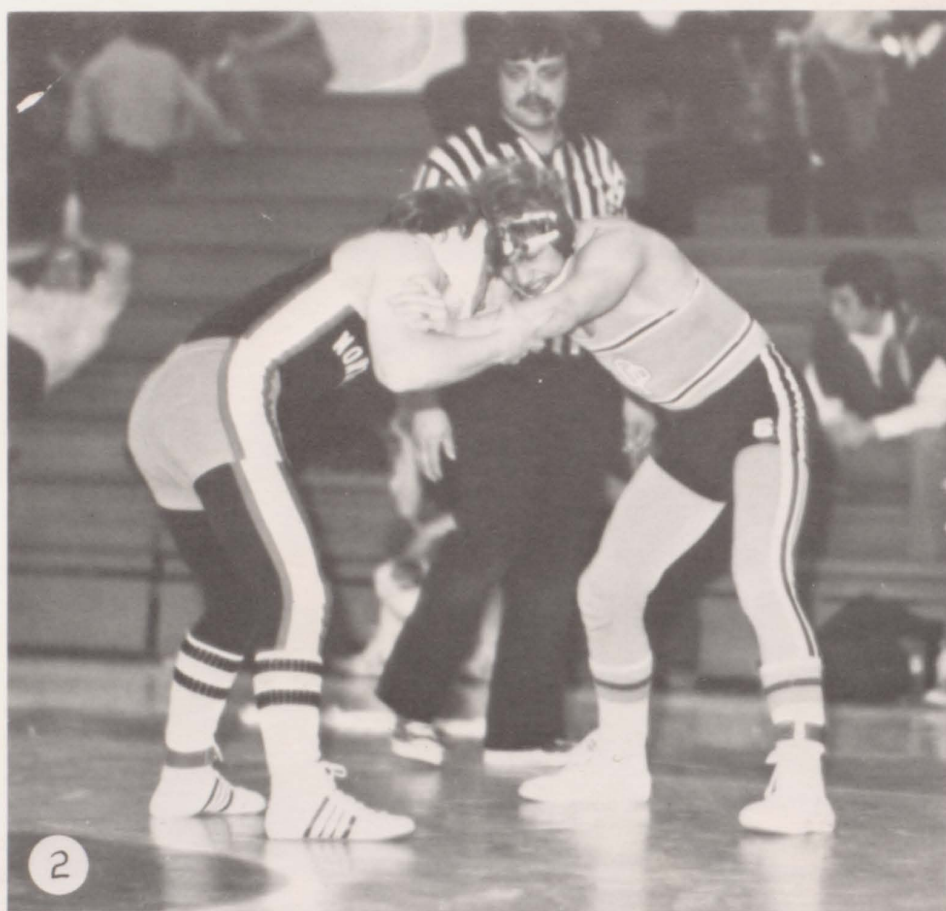
During the wrestling tournament, Miss Mary Beth Coons, 1974 Miss Invitational, returned to crown this year's winner, Miss Joyce Chaney.



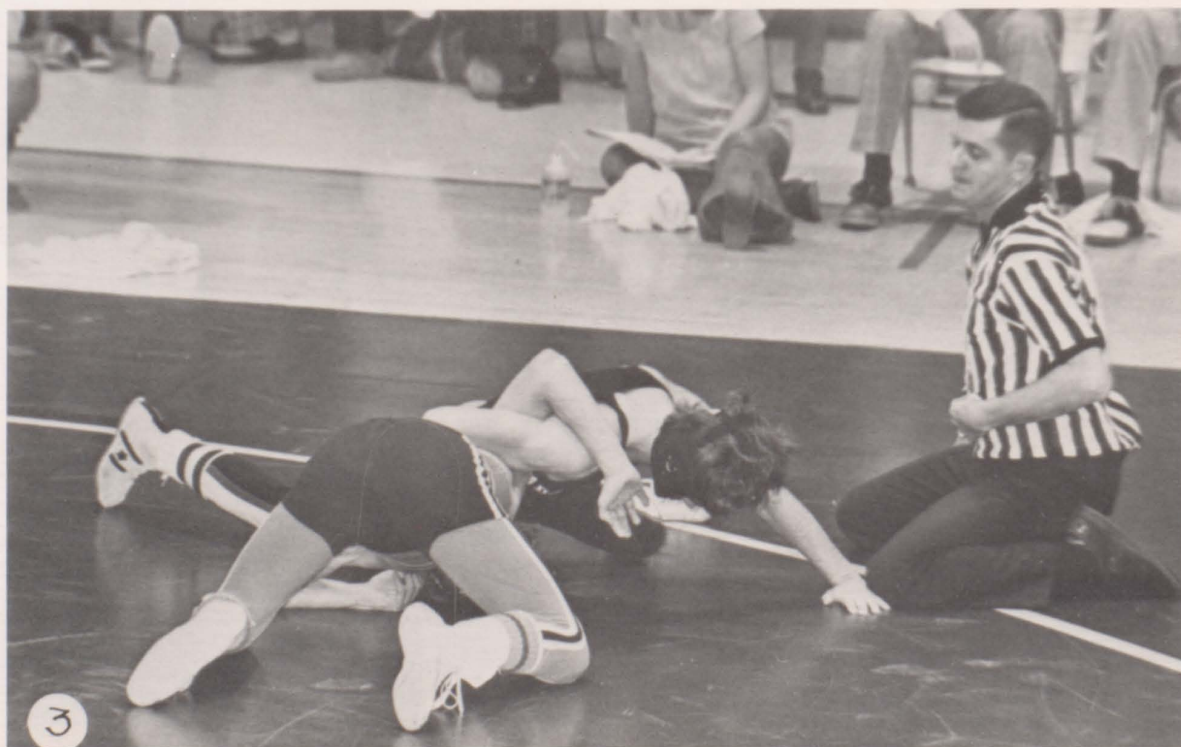


- 1 Miss Barb Carson
- 2 Miss Jan Koontz.
- 3 Queen Joyce Chaney.
- 4 Mike Kahler grapples with a wrestler from Oak Park during the Wrestling Invitational.
- 5 North Kansas City cheerleaders yell for the winning team at Invitational.
- 6 Mike Kahler introduces the contenders for the Wrestling Invitational queen.
- 7 The three candidates and their escorts are Barb Carson, Bill Ruest, Jan Koontz, Cam Crouthers, Joyce Chaney, and Phil Rose.
- 8 Phil Rose accompanies Joyce Chaney onto the stage at the assembly.



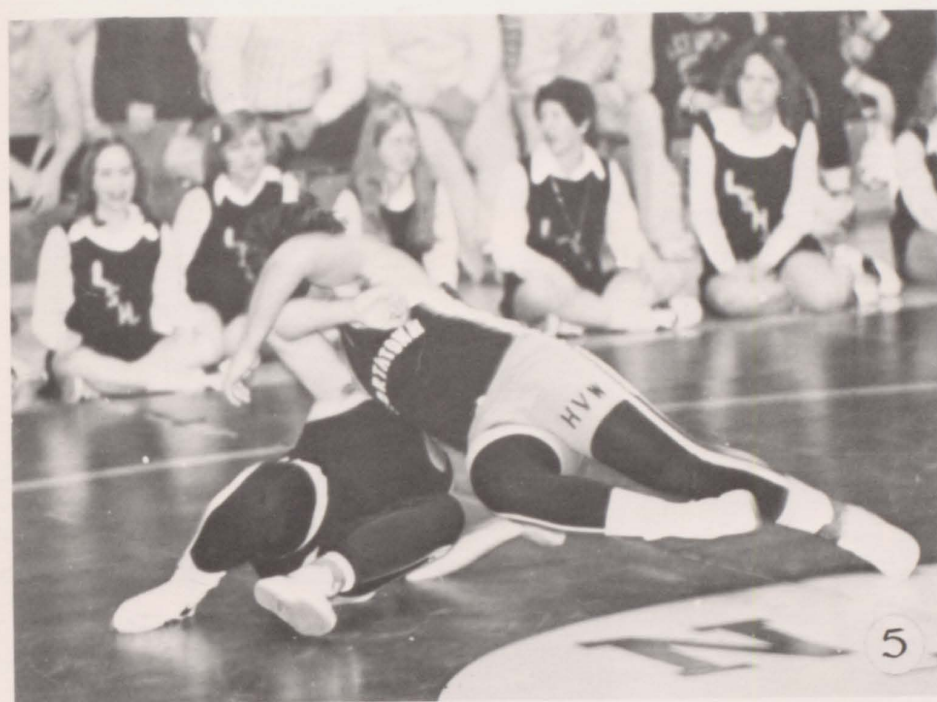


- 1 Doug Derry receives some encouragement from a fellow wrestler.
- 2 Tom O'Donnell squares off against an Oakie.
- 3 Working to find just that right hold is Doug Derry.
- 4 Coach Jerry Diehl watches anxiously as one of his wrestlers goes to work.
- 5 Joe Eapmon puts his mind and body to work against the hapless opponent.
- 6 North Kansas City's only participant in State, Doug Derry, lets an opposing wrestler feel his muscles.





Wrestlers keep truckin'



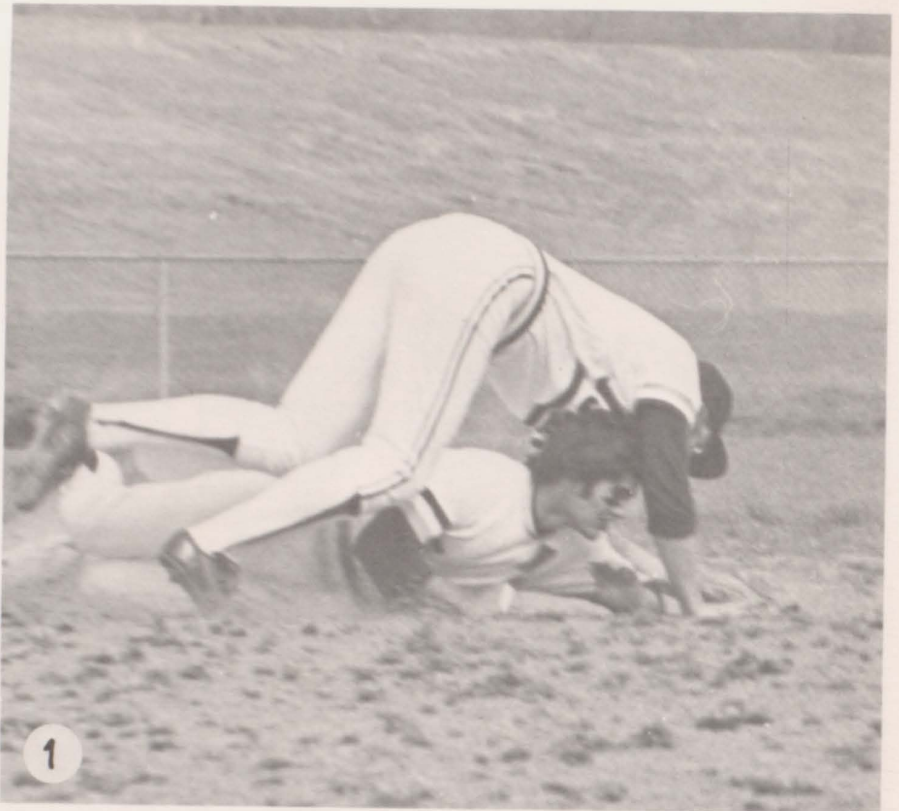
Pitchers throw good season

PITCHING STATISTICS

PLAYER	IP	R	ER	SO	BB	H	W	L	ERA
Jay Elmore	48.7	15	9	44	11	38	4	2	1.28
Kenny Thomas	31.7	14	10	39	18	27	3	2	2.21
Bud Stokes	24.3	13	10	21	10	18	4	1	2.93
Kevin Derry	12.3	4	4	6	7	12	1	0	2.22
Phil Harmon	2	7	6	1	7	4	0	0	23.3
Team Totals	109	53	39	101	53	99	12	6	2.50

CONFERENCE STANDINGS

TEAM	WON	LOST
Lee's Summit	9	3
North Kansas City	8	4
Ruskin	6	6
William Chrisman	5	7
Park Hill	4	8



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NORTH KANSAS CITY
BASEBALL 1975

N.K.C.	9	Oak Park	3
	0	Oak Park	7
	1	Lee's Summit	0
	6	William Chrisman	5
	9	Park Hill	4
	4	Ruskin	0
	10	Shawnee Mission N.W.	4
	5	William Chrisman	6
	0	Park Hill	4
	10	Ruskin	1
	5	St. Joseph Central	1
	4	Winnetonka	8
	1	William Chrisman	5
	0	Lee's Summit	1
	7	Park Hill	2
	7	Ruskin (forfeit)	0
	2	Lee's Summit	1



North Kansas City almost had their only first place team of the year in the person of the Hornet baseball team. They spent almost half of the year in first place before being dragged down from behind by Lee's Summit. The race went down to the wire, and, if Lee's Summit had not won their last game of the year, the Hornets would have wound up in a tie for first place.

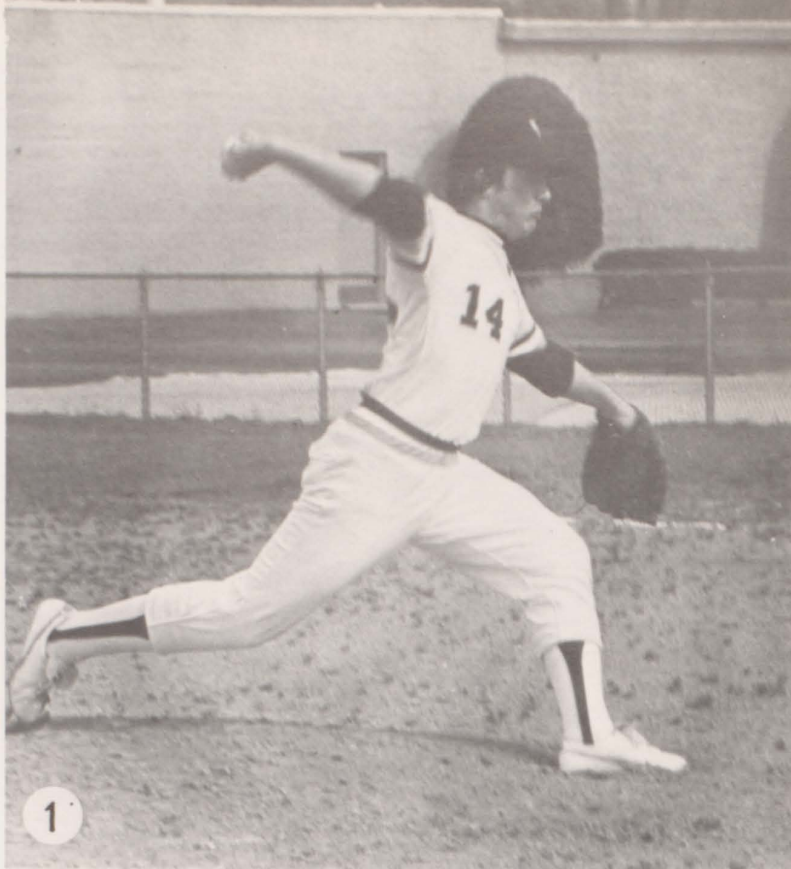
Northtown started the year by splitting a non-conference double-header with Oak Park. Following that, they started to pull off some impressive wins. Before they could be beaten, they had won 5 games in a row and were in first place in the conference, with a 4-0 record. They dropped back, however with consecutive losses to William Chrisman and Park Hill. Although they managed to stay in the running the rest of the year, they couldn't quite pull it out.

The team received another disappointment at the state play-offs. They were defeated by Winnetonka 8-4. It appeared for a time that the Hornets had the game under wraps, but they couldn't stop the 'Tonka batters effectively in the late innings.

In addition to taking second place in conference, the Hornets also had some outstanding individuals. Jay Elmore, a pitcher, Billy Noah, an outfielder, and Dana Haynes, at third base, all made all-conference. Bud Stokes, Tim Jenks, and Cam Crouthers made honorable mention.

TEAM BATTING STATISTICS 1975

PLAYER	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	SB	RBI	BB	SO	AVG.
Dana Haynes	46	13	18	3	0	0	3	11	14	10	.391
Brian Niemuth	18	3	6	2	0	0	0	6	2	3	.333
Cam Crouthers	38	6	11	1	0	1	2	7	13	11	.289
Tim Jenks	46	6	13	2	1	0	1	5	9	7	.283
Mitch Wheeler	33	4	9	0	0	0	0	3	2	9	.273
Billy Noah	44	9	11	2	1	0	3	12	7	4	.250
Doug Nicolson	28	3	6	1	0	0	3	4	6	4	.214
Doug Derry	44	9	9	1	1	0	1	3	4	15	.204
Kevin Derry	5	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	.200
Neal Spencer	5	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	.200
Mark Raines	52	5	11	2	0	0	2	5	0	15	.192
Phil Cunningham	11	1	2	1	0	0	1	4	3	4	.182
Bud Stokes	8	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	5	.125
Jay Elmore	17	1	2	0	0	0	0	3	1	5	.118
Dave Raley	18	5	2	0	0	0	4	3	2	9	.111
Kenny Thomas	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	3	.000
Jim Copeland	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	.000
John Fitzsimmons	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	.000
Phil Harmon	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Team Totals	414	74	103	13	3	1	22	67	76	108	.249

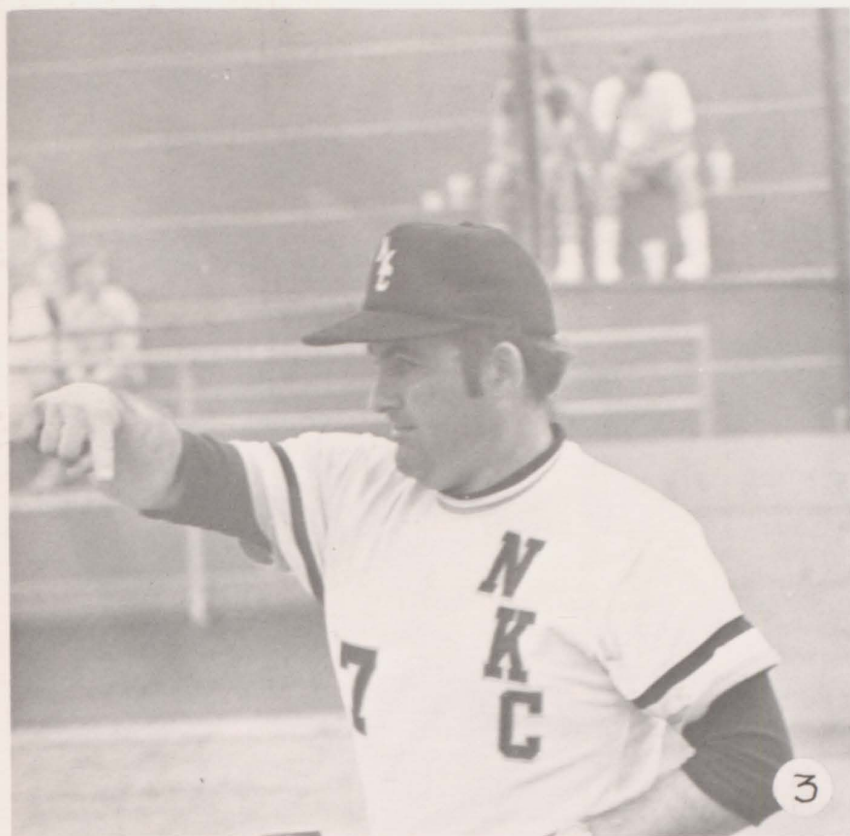


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Baseballers take second



- 1 Jay Elmore displays the form that makes him the all conference choice for pitcher.
- 2 The Hornet battery of Kenny Thomas and Brian Niemuth goes back to work while Dana Haynes and Neil Spencer discuss the play.
- 3 Coach Don Cobb directs a confused Hornet batter to the plate.
- 4 Having found the plate, Doug Nicosin looks for the bat.

Hornets' season is partial success

1 Forest Feurer works tirelessly to perfect his form.

2 The 1975 track team members are, bottom row: Coach Leland O'Dell, Bob Vancamp, Forest Feurer, Giancarlo Guadagnini, Thurman Gardner, Kyle McCamis, Lance Staves, Steve Wood, Mike Ackerson, Les Ryan. Second row: Gary O'Dell, Greg Hiebert, Curtis Kloepfel, Buddy Adams, Jody Kapp. Third row: Jeff Sunderland, Ron Weber, Alan Lawrey, David Thornhill, Bert Shewmaker, Mickey Davidson, Dennis Haugen, Robert Baker, Fred Uhl. Fourth row: Coach Gene McClain, John Baker, Mike Martin, Forrest Mason, Tom Essman, Mark Auer, Tom Stephens, Jerry Delgado, David Robinette. Fifth row: Coach Max Payne, Stephen McCarter, Jack Chadwick, Kevin Stephens, Curt Haugen, Rick Bowser, Ken Calvert, Terry Williams, Dave Smith, Chris Langley. Sixth row: Tim Myers, Manager, Dave Henneberg, Tim Baxter, Ritchie Hanson, Wade Orr, Mark Slaughter, Mike Clemens, Mike McRobert, Steve Main.

3 Using perfect balance to complete in the hurdles is Ken Calvert.

4 Gary O'Dell, Greg Hiebert, Mickey Davidson, Tom Essman, and Ron Weber demonstrate why Northtown's track team was so successful.





The indoor season began February 22. Northtown participated in three meets, and each time Northtown individuals performed well. The team finished a dismal last at the Middle Six Indoor Conference Meet held at Wentworth Military Academy. The trackmen fared better in the District Indoor meet held on March 22 at Wentworth. The team finished ninth out of thirteen teams in the contest which determined who would go to the state indoor. Two sophomores, Forrest Mason and Jody Kapp, represented NKC at the state meet.

When the trackmen opened their outdoor season at a triangular meet at William Chrisman, NKC placed second. The two first-place finishers for NKC were Seniors Curtis Haugen in the 270 yard at 23.8 and Mike Ackerson in the 880 at 3:08.5. The second place finishers for North Kansas City were Mike Meade, jumping 20 feet 5 inches in the long jump and 38 feet 1 inch in the triple jump, Thurman Gardner in the high jump at 5 feet 10 inches, Jody Kapp running the 440 in 55.3, and Dave Smith finishing the 2 mile run in 10:38.1. Next NKC competed in a dual meet with Park Hill, which was won by the Trojans. The Hornets finished 13th in the William Chrisman Relays. (continued)



Tracksters send five to state

Next come the Ruskin Relays and the Hornets placed last in a field of nine teams.

At the second Northtown Classic held at Oak Park, again NKC finished last behind the nine other teams. North Kansas City's best finishes were Jody Kapp, Thurman Gardner, and Dave Smith. Kapp ran the 440 in 52.5 to earn a tie for third. Gardner cleared the high bar when it was standing at 6 feet 2 inches high to finish third. Smith finished the two-mile run in 10.05 to take third.

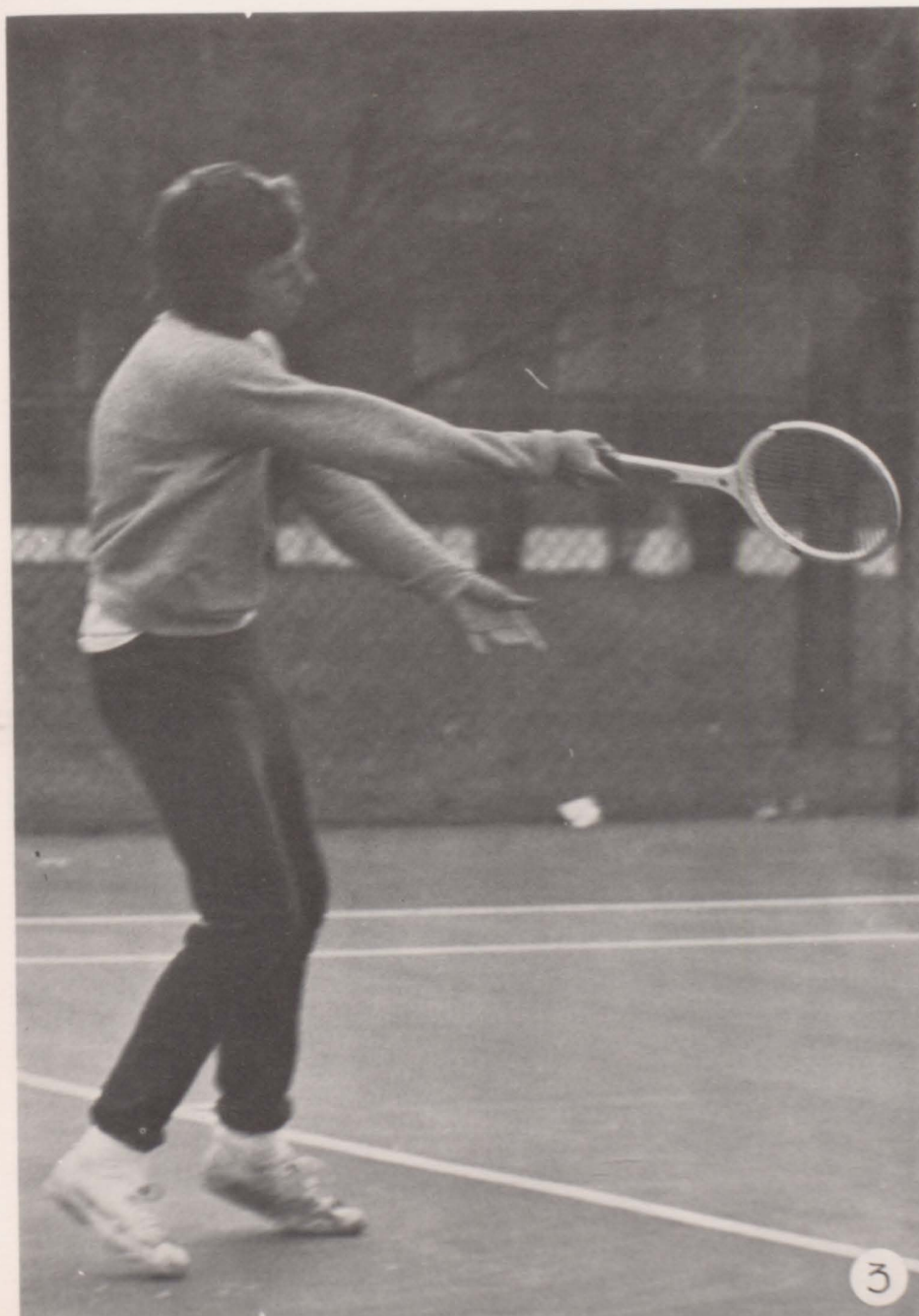
- 1 Coach O'Dell checks some statistics with Mark Slaughter and Chris Langley between events.
- 2 Forrest Mason leads a pack of Hornet tracksters in a sophomore meet. David Henneberg and Kevin Stevens trail close behind him.
- 3 Bob VanCamp gropes for the baton in Mike Mead's hand.
- 4 Arms pumping and muscles straining, Dennis Haugen churns for the finish line.
- 5 John Kerwin pauses at the height of his vault to have his picture taken.







Netmen play see-saw ball



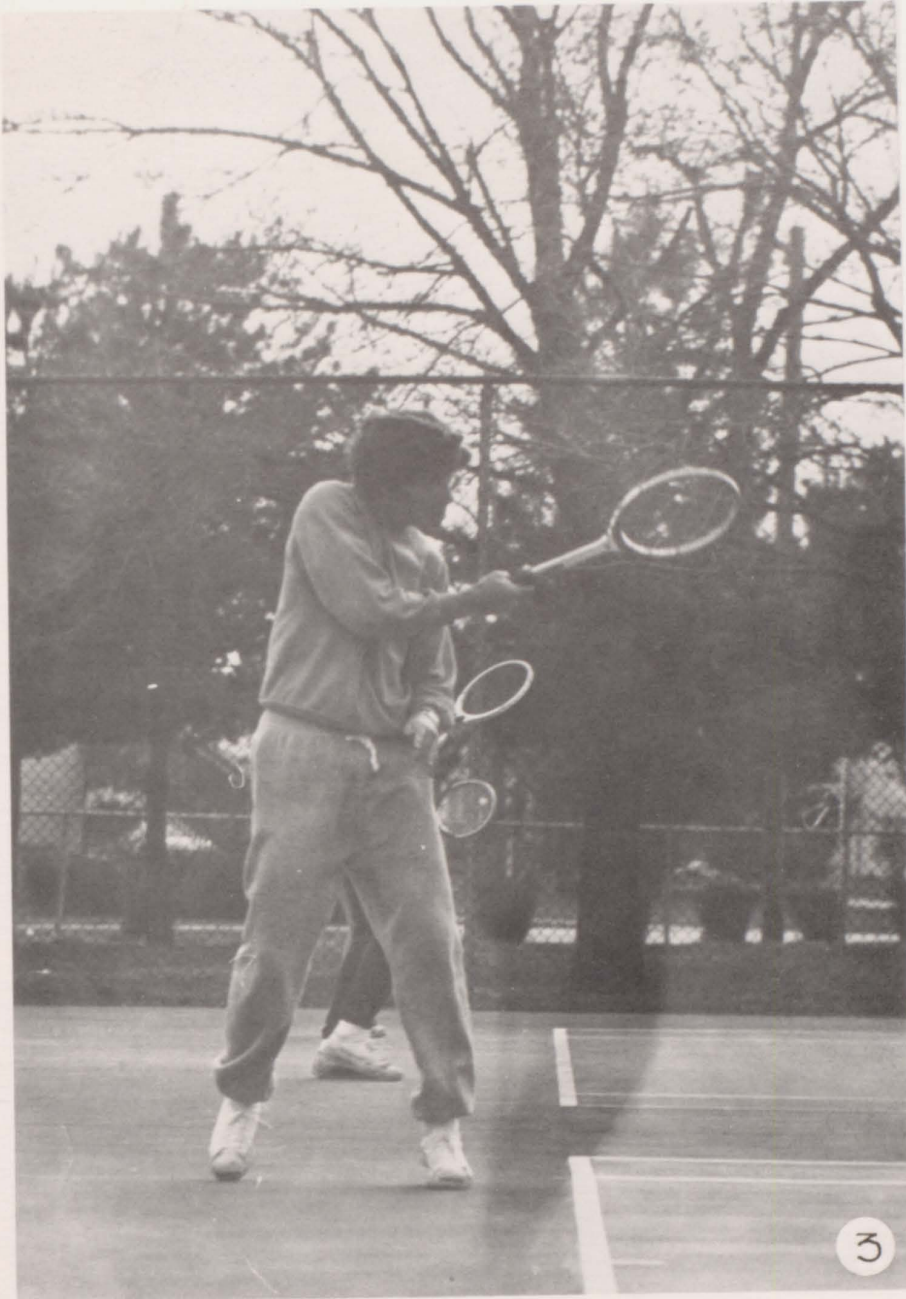
North Kansas City's racketeers overcame a sluggish beginning to finish the year with a respectable 6-7 record. After starting the season in perfect form defeating the Park Hill Trojans 5-0, the Hornets came up against two power houses in a row. They fell to both Oak Park and Winnetonka, winning a total of only two sets of the twenty-two that they played. Following these two disgraceful losses, the Netmen played see-saw ball, winning one then losing one and always remaining just one game under 500, till the Hornets pulled to an even 5-5 record after a 4-1 victory over the Ruskin Eagles. The Hornets finished the year by splitting matches with Grandview and Hickman Mills. The Hornets ripped Hickman Mills 4-1 and dropped a heart breaker to Grandview 2-3. Leaders for the Hornet varsity all year were Doug Fricke, Kyle Johanson, Andy Lundberg, and Dave Allen.

The Junior Varsity net minders had a fine season finishing 8-4.

- 1 Kyle Johanson unleashes his wrath on a tennis ball.
- 2 The 1974-75 boys tennis team. Bottom row: Doug Fricke, David McRill, Bob Heath, John Maddox, and Gene Mason. Top row: Coach Arthur Loepp, Marlin Conry, Mike Sinnett, Travis Marshall, Greg Neumann, David Allen, and Kyle Johanson.
- 3 Doug Fricke takes careful aim on a tennis shot in match competition.



Practice hours pay off in wins

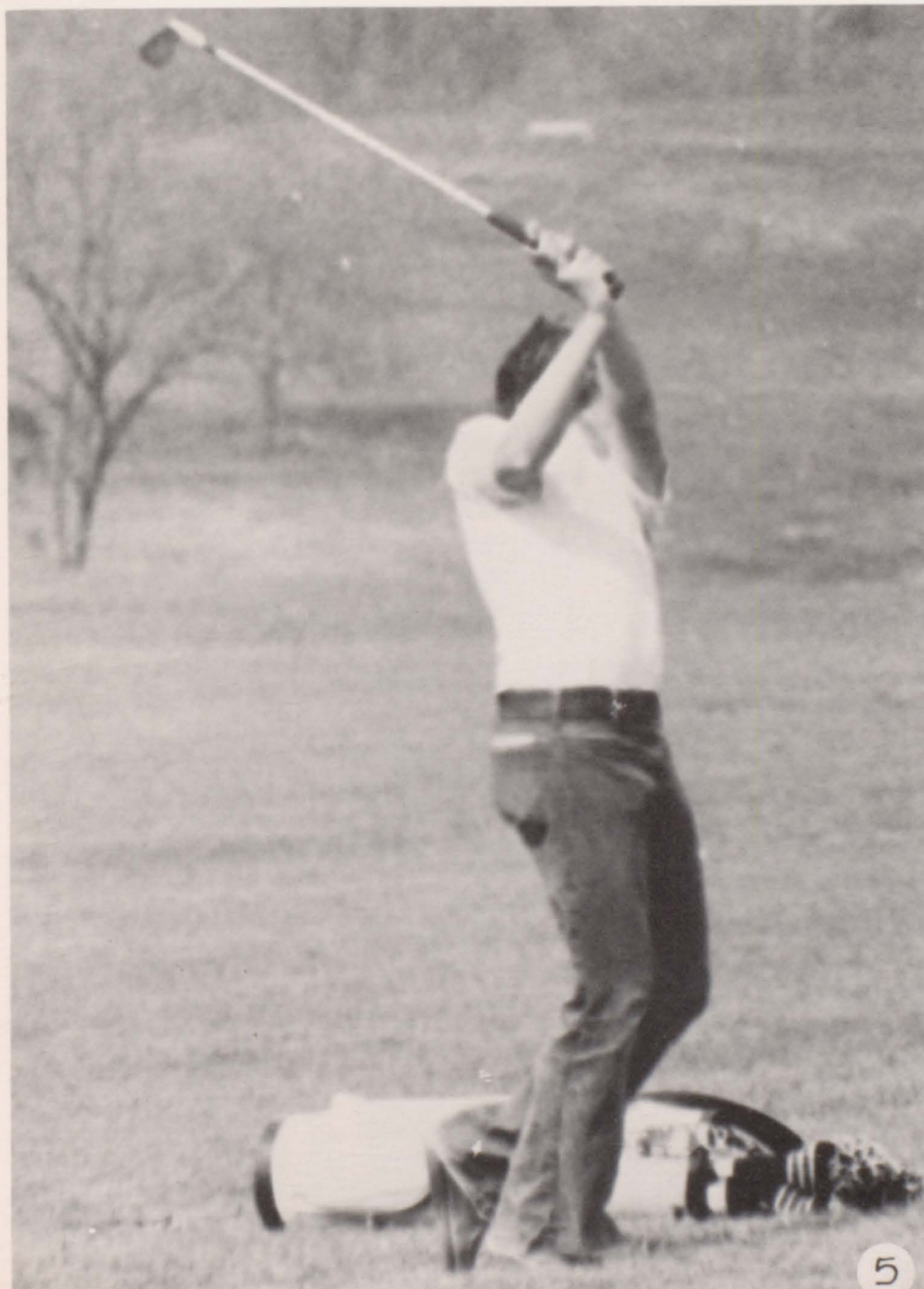


- 1 How many tennis balls does it take to last a season?*
- 2 Kyle Johanson and Doug Fricke practice serving.*
- 3 Bob Heath uses a twist and a scowl on his opponent.*
- 4 Tennis equipment lies ready for that call, "Love, all."*





Golfers swing second place



The Hornet golfers capped off a fine season by finishing second in the conference race. Led by all-conference honorees, Mike Murphy and Dan Moser, the team compiled a 7-3 conference record and an 11-15 record overall. The only Hornet losses came against Lee's Summit, Center, and Raytown. Other outstanding performances were from Mark Bullock for varsity and Derrick Rawdon for Junior Varsity.

- 1 Top swinger for this year is Mike Murphy who demonstrates his powerful swing.
- 2 Mark Bullock, senior, chips onto the green.
- 3 The golfers this year were, bottom row: Tim Higgins, Mike Murphy, Dan Moser, and Mark Bullock. Second row: Derrick Rawdon, Duane Boeke, Neil Kenagy, Mark Haley, and John Macken.
- 4 Tim Higgins contemplates his next putt.
- 5 Dan Moser follows the flight of the ball after his drive.

Girls season is success

- 1 Trailing for one of the few times all year is Stephanie Thompson.
- 2 Girls' Track Team members are, Bottom row: Eilene Brown, Jane Walsman, Chris Stock, Cheryl White, Kathy Webster, Geri Lohnes, Kathy O'Donnell, Carol Middleton, Jo Ann Hicks. Second row: Dianna Kern, Shawna Corwin, Christy Long, Kendalle Roudebush, Debbie Wheaton, Teresa Underhill, Gail Weber, Nancy Turley, Dianne Kuhnlel, Patty Crume. Third row: Stephanie Thompson, Lisa Hartman, Teresa Gardner, Cathy Ford, Sherry Lane, Mary Sallas, Kevine Roudebush, Christy Evans, Jackie Raines, Cindy McCulloch. Fourth row: Pam Wheeler, Brenda Kern, Gwen Edwards, Liz DeWitt, Rachel Poteet, Linda McMullen, Elisa Legg, Lisa Li-que, Laura Bandom, Tana Hiatt; Top row Coach Jane Stone and Coach Mindy McCully.
- 3 Diane Sunderland rolls over the high jump bar.
- 4 Lori Webster extends herself to the physical limits to clear the hurdles.
- 5 Diane Sunderland, Christy Long, Shawn Corwin, and Lisa Li-que discuss the day's events.



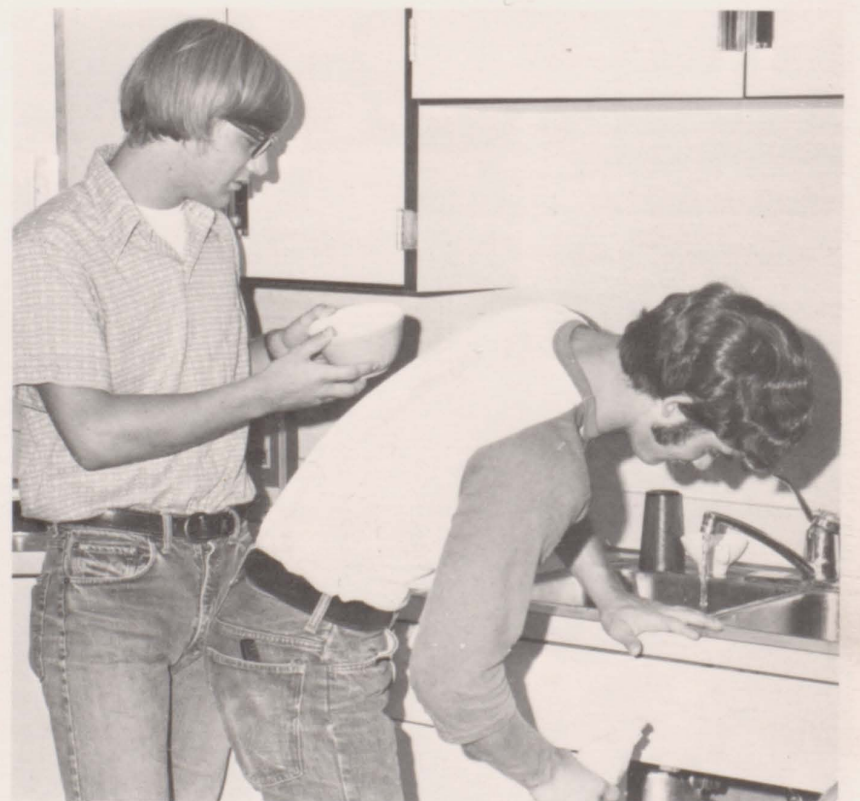


This year marks the first that N.K.C. sported an inter-scholastic program in girls' track. The team performed very well as a unit with outstanding performances coming from Stephanie Thompson and Shawn Corwin.

Stephanie Thompson won the state championship in the 80-yard low hurdles with a time of 11.4. Stephanie has compiled more points in one track season than any boy in North Kansas City's history with a total of 168 points. Stephanie Thompson is the first track girl in history to win a track scholarship. She was awarded paid tuition at Central Missouri State University as Warrensburg.

Shawn Corwin placed second in the high jump at state with 5 feet 3 inches. The first annual North Kansas City - Oak Park - Winnetonka Triangular was won by Northtown with 63 points. Northtown's Junior Varsity also was victorious. In this meet Stephanie Thompson and Shawn Corwin led the Hornets with two first places apiece. The girls' team won the first Northland Classic. New school records have been set in the 440, high jump, 880-medley relay, 80-yard low hurdles, 100-yard dash, and the 220-yard dash.

With the conclusion of girls' track comes the ending of a very successful year. The team had a three-way tie for first place in the district meet, and the Junior Varsity ended as conference champions. The final record was a fine 5-3.

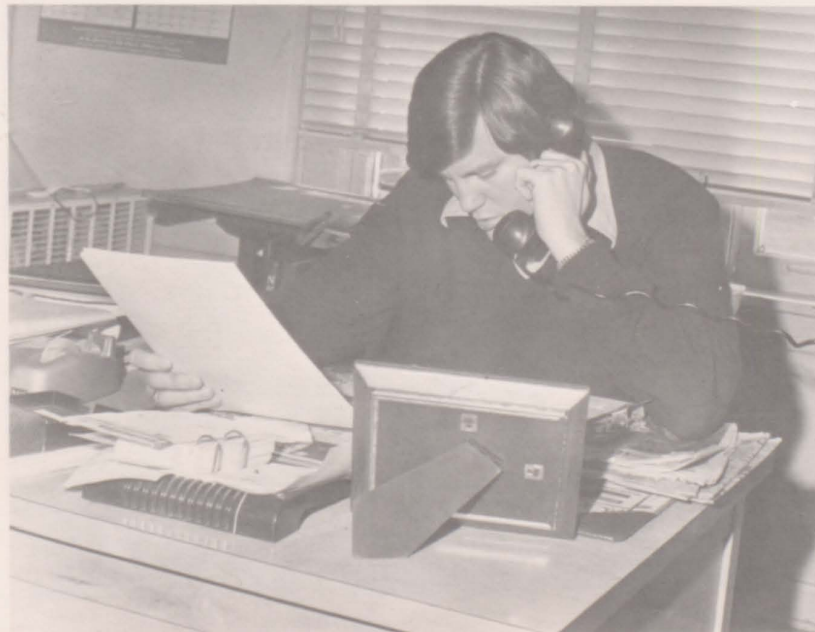


Faculty and Curriculum



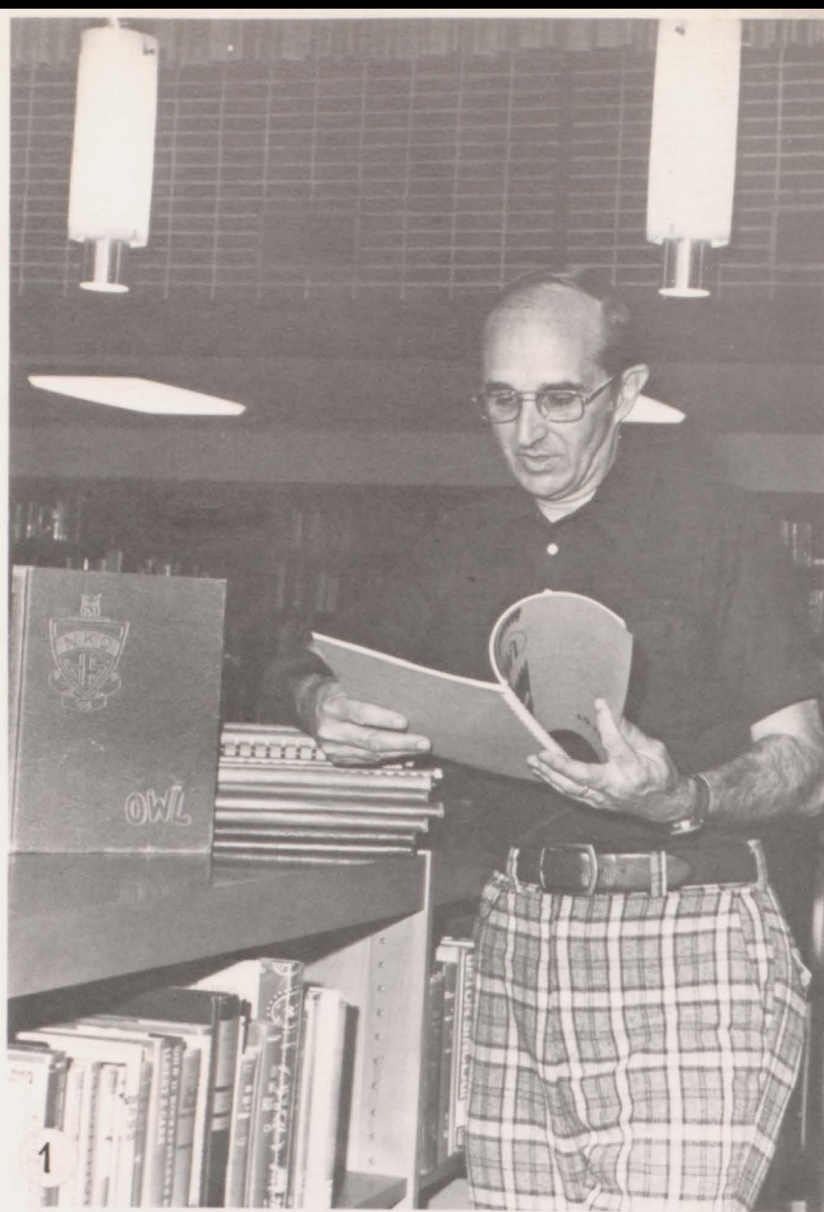
"But he who rules both calm and stormy days, can guard that people's heart, that nation's health, safe on the perilous heights of power and wealth, as in the straitness of the ancient ways."

—Scollard 1936 *Owl*



American Government, INSAP, counselors, Philosophy, the darkroom, the Industrial Crafts building and the *Purgold* were old-hat to students of North Kansas City. But there were some former students who marvelled at all the new things that happened since their graduation.

Fifty years ago, students did not have the wide variety of textbooks and references that Hornets had this year. Many had to take all lectures, notes, assignments, drawings and tests down in the same book to be handed in at the end of the year. Hardly any textbooks were used. This occurred most frequently in science classes where books and equipment were scarce. The Hornets did not have Sociology, reading labs or Modern Novel classes. They had only a few of the variations of the standard subjects, such as science and English. Instead of INSAP for punishment, anything from dunce caps to dismissal were used. The darkroom was where drafting was taught until the crafts building was built. Counselors slowly replaced the old institution of a dean for Northtown students. Despite the changes during Northtown's golden years, one thing remained unchanged. The wide field of classes promoted learning, and that was always uppermost in students' minds.





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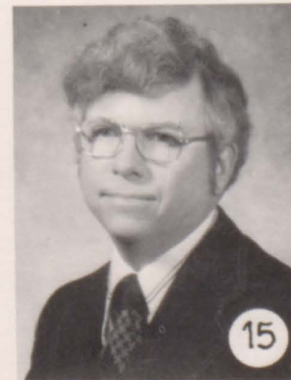
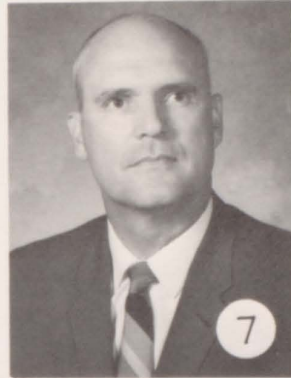
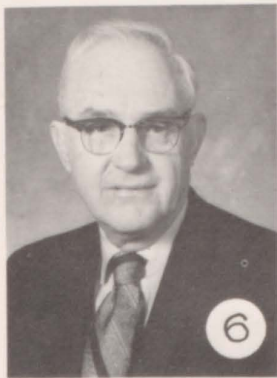
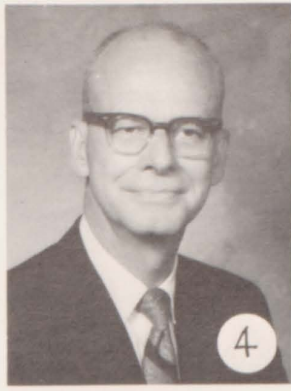
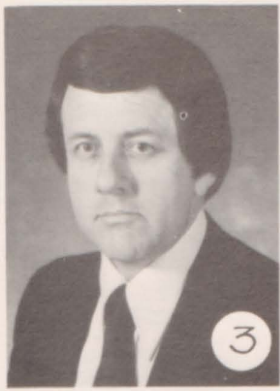
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- 1 A 1944 Northtown graduate, Mr. Gus Leimkuhler, browses through old publications of the Owl, later to be changed to the Purgold. Mr. Leimkuhler remembers his days of high school when he was editor of the Owl and the Buzz, Stuco vice-president, and the recipient of the Premier Poll Award.
- 2 Mr. Arthur Loepp, class of 1968, and Mr. Robert Elliott, a 1946 alumnus, reminisce about their participation in sports during their years at Northtown.
- 3 These biology books demonstrate the changes in learning over the years. One is a student's own handwritten text while the others are textbooks from the 1940's, 1960's and 1970's.
- 4 Former queen attendants are still reigning over the student body, but now as teachers. Miss Sally Sterling was a 1969 Homecoming attendant, and Mrs. Linda Daniels was a 1965 Purgold attendant.



New members, ideas spark changes





The superintendent and his assistants grappled with inflation's impact on school finances and decreased enrollment in the North Kansas City School District. The expansion of the learning disabilities program and further improvement of the Center for Educational Development were significant projects for the school year.

Faced with the declining population in areas, the Board voted to close Forest Hill Elementary School next year. It is the first closing since the district was formed. The Board also studied the formation of a special district for expanding special education and vocational education programs. At the beginning of the school year Mr. Robert Johanson and Dr. Charles Sackett were elected as new members. The April, 1975 election brought another new member and new officers. Mr. Bob Raines was elected a new board member and Mrs. Francis Foerschler was re-elected. Mr. Roy Baker retired from the Board after serving 10½ years as a member, 4 as President. Mrs. Doris Benefiel was the first woman elected President.

- 1 Dr. R. B. Doolin: Superintendent of Schools.
- 2 The Administrative Center is the small building where big decisions are made.
- 3 Mr. John DeArman: Assistant Superintendent.
- 4 Mr. Wilfrid E. Hart: Assistant Superintendent.
- 5 Dr. Don R. O'Neil: Assistant Superintendent.
- 6 Mr. Nelson Kerr: Director of Secondary Education.
- 7 Mr. Donald Kumpy: Deputy Superintendent.
- 8 Mr. Roy E. Baker: Former President.
- 9 Mrs. Doris Benefiel: President.
- 10 Mr. Bob R. Raines: Member.
- 11 Mrs. Francis Foerschler: Vice-president.
- 12 Mr. Robert E. Johanson: Member.
- 13 Mr. William H. Moon: Former Treasurer.
- 14 Mrs. Sandra Reeves: Member.
- 15 Dr. Charles Sackett: Member.
- 16 Mr. William W. Shinn: Secretary and Acting Treasurer.



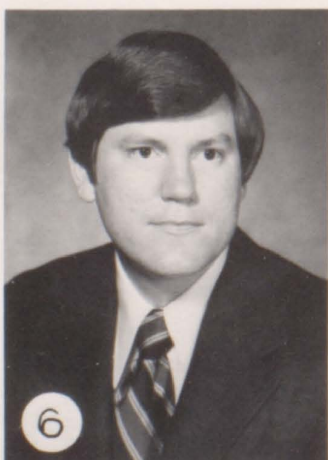
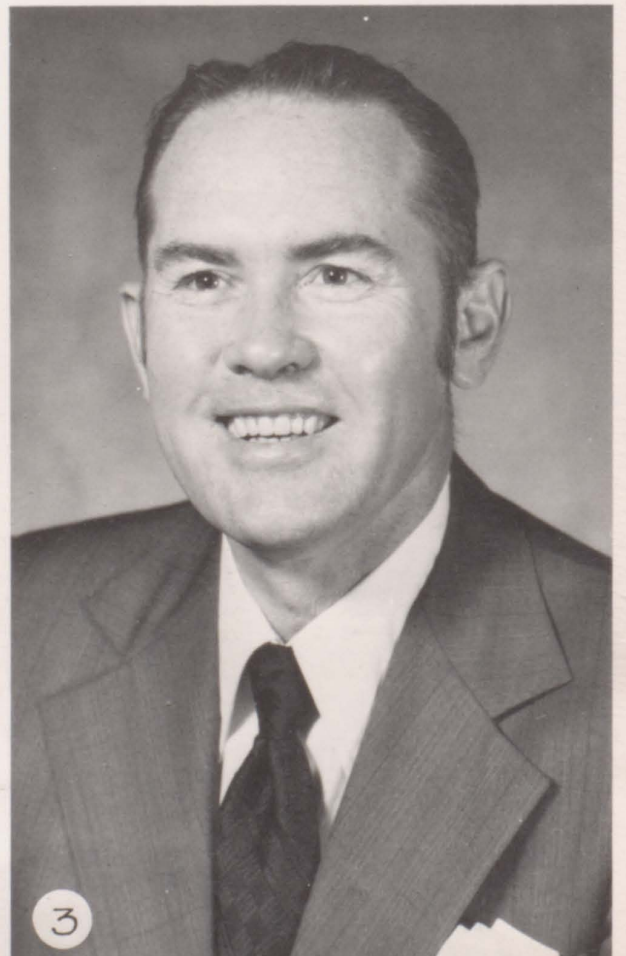
Dr. Robert C. Howe, principal of North Kansas City, had the honor of being president of the Missouri Association of Secondary School Principals. At Northtown, Dr. Howe had three main duties. They were to be in charge of all faculty and student activities, to provide the best teachers possible, and to provide an environment for teachers to teach and students to learn. Dr. Howe cited the girls' sports program as one of the accomplishments this year.

Mr. Walt Borgman had the duty of helping students with their money-making projects, such as the Tri-M bake sale. He also worked with scheduling and other activities.

Mr. Francis Galbraith was in charge of student discipline. As one of those who backed INSAP, he was pleased with the smaller percentage of students sent or called to his office.

Mr. Robert Blaine returned to Northtown from his year's sabbatical of working for his doctorate in education. His goals were to complete his doctorate work and graduate, to establish a good rapport with students and to improve the activities program. The Activity Period faced some problems that are still to be resolved.

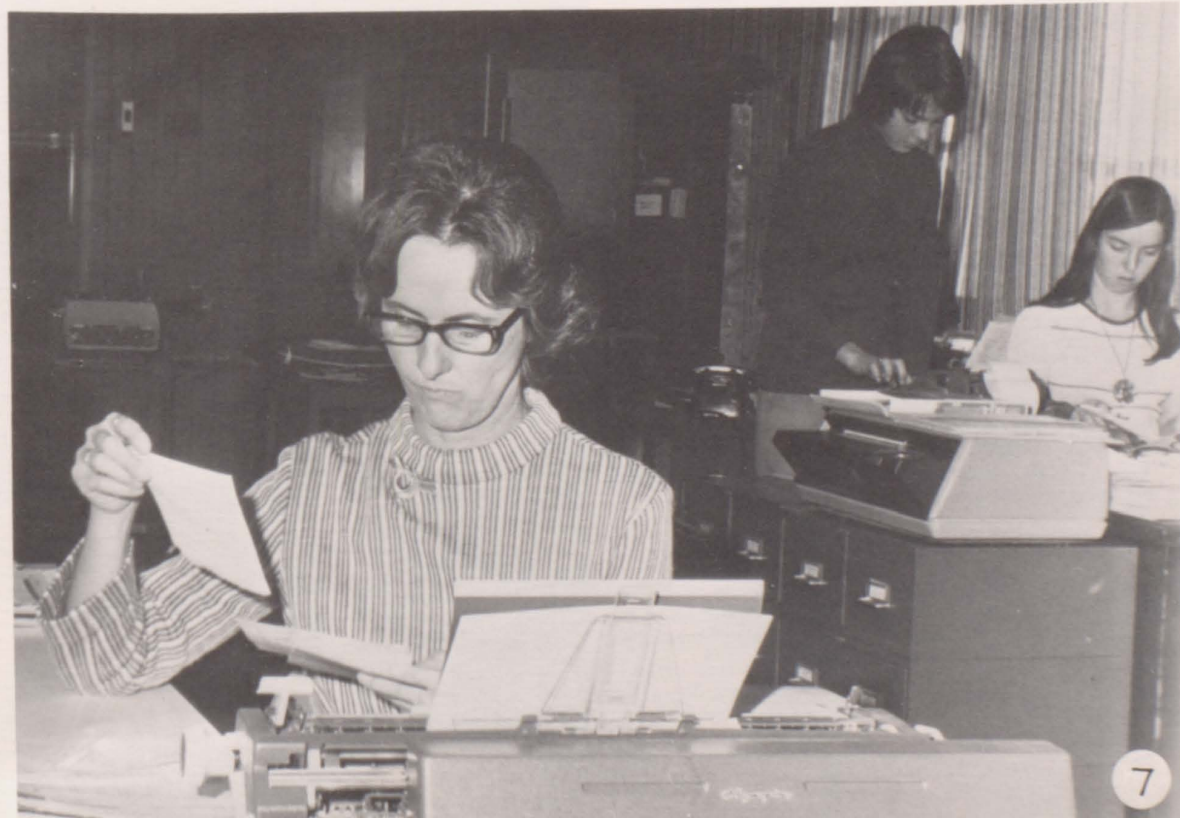
All the principals strived toward an educational atmosphere for a balance between educational learning, vocational learning and the activities program.



- 1 Mrs. Betty Wade: Office Secretary.
- 2 Dr. Howe carefully studies a budget proposal.
- 3 Dr. Robert C. Howe: Principal.
- 4 Mr. Walt Borgman: Vice-principal.
- 5 Mr. Francis Galbraith: Vice-principal.
- 6 Mr. Robert Blaine: Vice-principal.



NKC's concern is organization



In the course of a day at North Kansas City, many things needed to be attended to for a well-run school. This year Mrs. Betty Wade joined Northtown's secretaries in taking care of many responsibilities, such as attendance, budgeting, census cards, counseling appointments, dictation, registration and scheduling. Without such care and devotion, Northtown certainly would have been lacking in its smooth organization and efficiency.

- 1 Mrs. Billie Chaney: Office secretary.
- 2 Mrs. Sally Dewey: Counseling secretary.
- 3 Mrs. Mary Lou Leimkuhler: Secretary to the Principal.
- 4 Mrs. Dewey, Mrs. Chaney and Mrs. Weber talk things over during lunch.
- 5 Mrs. Janeth Weber: Registrar.
- 6 Mrs. Virginia Webster: Attendance secretary.
- 7 Mrs. Leimkuhler prepares the bulletin while Connie Wiley and Nancy Sapp help out in the office.



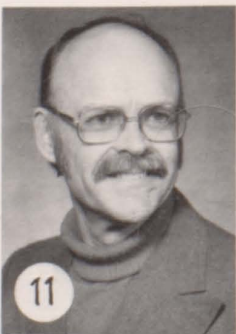
To handle the variety of student problems, there were specially trained people at North Kansas City.

For broken legs, sore throats or "I've-got-a-history-test" blues, students



went to Mrs. Juanita Ness for medical treatment and an admit back to class. Students having learning difficulties were aided by two former teachers, Mrs. Bonnie Hare and Mr. Jerome Crum. Mr. John Shank helped Hornets correct speech problems.

Those four concerned men that almost every student came into contact with at some time during the year were Northtown's counselors. The counselors' main concerns were personal problem solving and educational problem solving. These men, all former teachers, administered tests throughout the year, guided students in the way of scholarships and tried to help students with their troubles. Although each student was assigned to one of the four counselors, all the counselors had open doors if a Hornet had a personal crisis.



- 1 Mr. Jerome Crum: Special Education.
- 2 Mrs. Bonnie Hare: Learning Disabilities.
- 3 Hoping that Dr. Welby will come to her rescue, Mrs. Ness searches through an endless file for a student's health record.
- 4 Mr. Brown goes over a student's academic record for scholarship eligibility.
- 5 Mr. Robert Briggs: Counselor.
- 6 Mrs. Juanita Ness: Nurse.
- 7 Mr. John Shank: Speech therapist.
- 8 Mr. Clark Ferguson: Counselor.
- 9 Only one of Mrs. Sally Dewey's many duties as counseling secretary is collecting class schedules from Northtown's Hornets.
- 10 Mr. Joe Brown: Counselor.
- 11 Mr. Loman Cansler: Counselor.



Services benefit Hornets

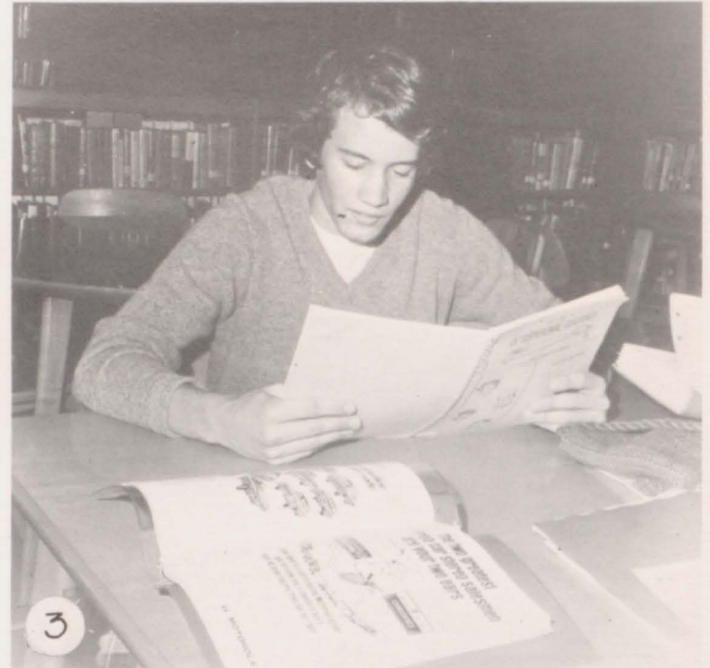


Keeping North Kansas City in good condition was the job of the custodians. Everything from putting in new light bulbs to patching holes in the walls where servicemen drilled searching for the February gas leak were their responsibilities.

The monumental task of feeding Northtown students was made easier for the cafeteria workers by the new lunch line and malt machine. Hampering them in February was the gas leak which cut off the dishwashers and many ovens, but the ladies pulled through. Retiring this year were Mrs. Flossie Yeager after 18½ years and Mrs. Fern Baxter after 20 years.

- 1 Dusting school furniture is one of Mrs. Agnes Johnson's duties as a custodian.
- 2 Responsible for Northtown's upkeep are the custodians. Bottom row: Robert Robertson, Agnes Johnson, Ruth Plank, John Burton, and Robert Smith. Top row: Richard Stevenson, Bob Waltz, Wallace Hauschild, John Hill, Jim Knipp; head custodian, Charles Kumer, and Herman Barsness.
- 3 The cafeteria workers are glad to be of service to Northtown students and faculty. Bottom row: Juanita Bade, Ella Burns, Nina Reiss; manager, and Wayne Webb. Top row: Flossie Yeager, Dorothy Campbell, Fern Baxter, Peggy Scobee, Marge Reynolds, Kathleen Brock, Florence Burkhart, Juanita Ditty, Katie Kline, and Helen Myers.





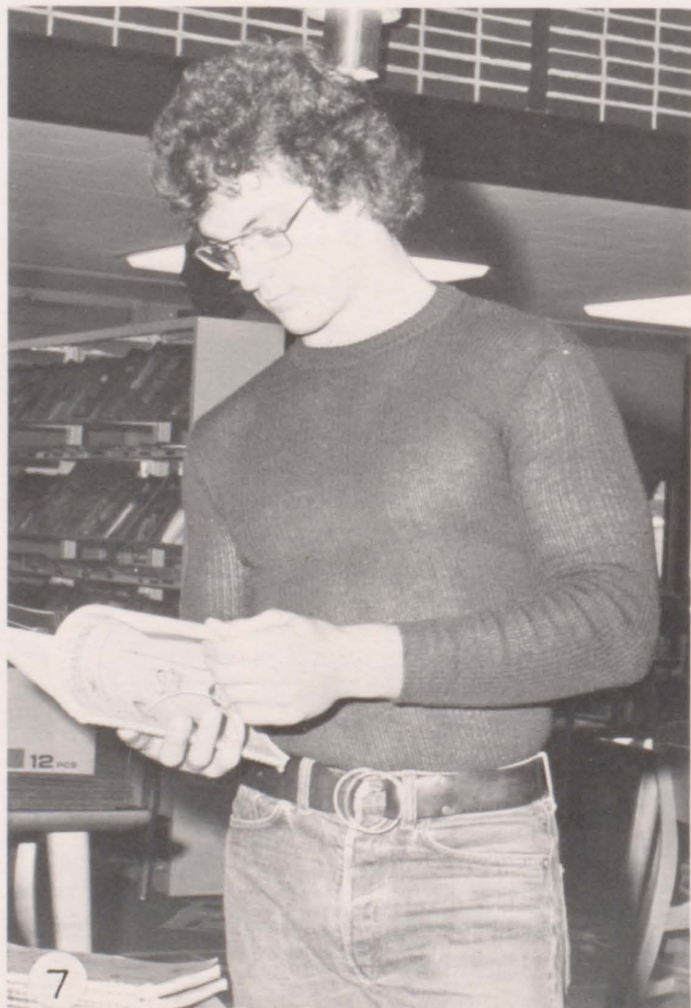
Library, arts provide horizons

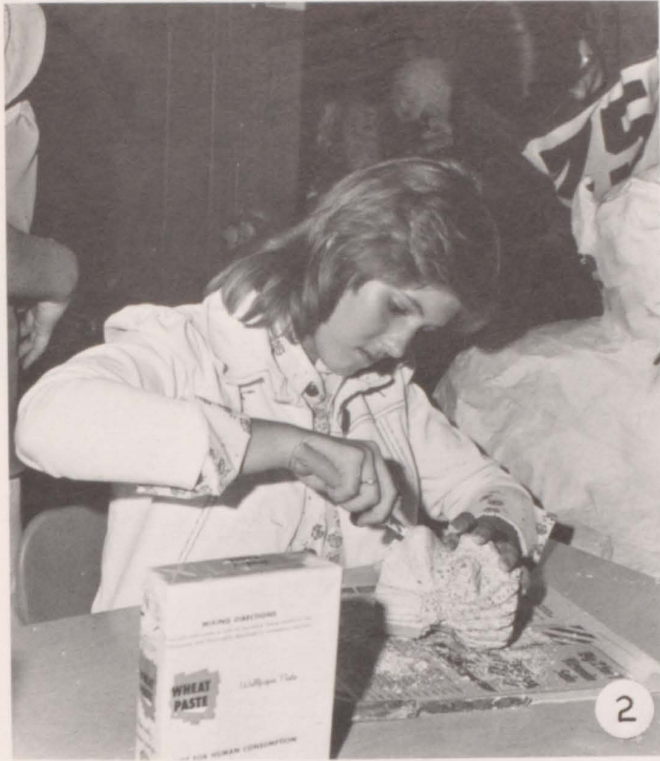
North Kansas City's library experienced many additions. Students were allowed to check out the new paintings of various styles from still life to modern for study and enjoyment. The paintings also gave the reading center a cheery warmth. Cassette projectors, sound strips, and video-cassettes increased the Audio-visual Department's informational resources, whereas new books increased the library's resources. Miss Mildred Fulton, drama teacher, and the Thespians Club donated a bookshelf in memory of Jay Schmidt, a Northtown student who drowned last year. A book will be added each year.

Mrs. Martha Woolley was new to the library staff, alternating time between Northtown and Winnetonka.

All in all, the library provided new horizons of interests for Hornets.

- 1 Mrs. Bernice Ashcraft: Audio-visual secretary.
- 2 Mr. Gus Leimkuhler: Librarian.
- 3 David Raley reads one of the library's occupational books to determine his future plans.
- 4 Mrs. Elaine Neal: Audio-visual librarian.
- 5 Mrs. Margerie Neer: Library secretary.
- 6 Mrs. Martha Woolley: Library secretary.
- 7 Steve Johnson looks over reference material.





Talent was abundant at North Kansas City this year in art and photography. Miss Helen Nowosad and Mr. Gene McClain joined Northtown's Art Department this year in developing talent.

Photography captured the world on film. In the photography display case, pictures of outdoor life, school scenes and projects, such as Northtown twins, rotated to be enjoyed by the school.

Art classes worked in many medias, such as lettering, designing, inks and oils. Still life, figure and object drawings, landscapes, portraits and three-dimensional figures were the results. Students displayed large papier-mache "people," string art block prints and oils around the school and at the fall music concert displayed their talents to all. Bulletin boards placed in the front hall in March provided additional display area.

- 1 Mr. Gene McClain: Art I.
- 2 Gwen Humphries fashions an art project for display later.
- 3 Miss Helen Nowosad: Art I, Art Crafts, Ceramics and Sculpture.
- 4 Mr. Porter Price: Art I, II, III, IV, Humanities.
- 5 Debbie Patires adjusts her camera before photographing.
- 6 Kevin Lindeman checks over his papier-mache figure.





Development hits a high note

With the entrance of Mr. Jerry Carpenter as new vocal music director, North Kansas City's Music Department strove to develop interest and participation in music.

Music Appreciation, Fundamentals of Music, and Theory and Harmony had as their goal a greater awareness of the history, development and forms of music. Music Appreciation students earned credit for attending productions, such as "Cosi Fan Tutti." Applied Music students learned to play instruments of their own choice.

Band and Orchestra students presented many concerts with numbers, such as "Sweet Georgia Brown," "Rock Encounter" and "Rodeo."

A cappella and boys' and Girls' Choruses also participated in many concerts with some of the favorite songs being "Beautiful City" and "Time is My Friend."

From all the hard work, music students learned a deeper appreciation of music and so did the entire student body.

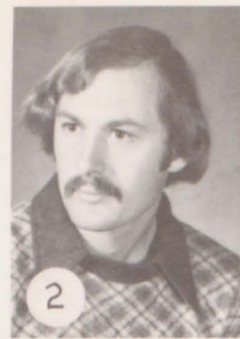


- 1 John Baker and Bob Heath go through their warm-ups before concert rehearsal begins.
- 2 Girls' Chorus harmonizes with "Vincent," a Fall Concert number. Bottom row: Susan Luckhurst, Nancy Shroeder, Kim Chun, Cindy Bennett, and Jane Bell. Top row: Vickie Beard, Teresa Watson, Melody Mott, Teresa Arredondo, Jane Caulfield, and Debi Cammisano.
- 3 Ann Dudley and Julian Arredondo listen to some directions from Mr. White while Jeff Hodges plays his tuba piece.
- 4 Mr. Jerry Carpenter: A cappella Choir, Boys' Chorus, Girls' Chorus, Humanities, Music Appreciation, Theory and Harmony.
- 5 Mr. Patrick White: Applied Music, Band, Fundamentals of Music, Orchestra.



North Kansas City's Home Economics Department concentrated on development of knowledge and skills for practical living. Students learned how to plan meals, and cook foods such as spaghetti and ravioli, sew dresses, understand family relationships, and the techniques of interior decorating. Students discovered they could better prepare themselves for personal, family and social living in the future.

- 1 Ned Shortess and Mitch Nieman wash dishes after preparing a meal.
- 2 Mrs. Rosa Lee Dickensheets: Bachelor Living, Basic Clothing, Basic Foods, Home Economics I, Housing and Interior Decorating, Wardrobe Planning and Clothing Construction.
- 3 Mrs. Carol Fowler: Bachelor Living, Basic Clothing, Family Relationships, Health, Home Economics II.
- 4 Mrs. Peggy Stephens: Bachelor Living, Basic Foods, Child Development, Consumer Education, Creative Foods.
- 5 Andy Lundberg watches intently as Nancy Walker pieces her dress together to sew.



Industrious students get to work

Joining North Kansas City's Industrial Arts teachers this year was Mr. Steve May. Usually considered a boy's field, girls again made up a considerable percentage of those enrolled in the Industrial Arts classes. Hornets were taught the basics of each area, anywhere from crafts to engines, and then allowed to make their own projects. Many projects were of use to the home. Students were seen squeezing through the hallways with shelves, stools, frames, small cabinets, vases, small engines, and various batteries.

The only mishap in the department occurred February 5, 1975. A small explosion, fueled by the accumulation of natural gas behind the east wall of the crafts room which was ignited by a faulty outlet's short circuit, caused the students in the building to be evacuated for a while. Fortunately, the damage was minimal and quickly repaired. Uninjured students soon got back to work.

- 1 Mr. David Cochran: Industrial Crafts.
- 2 Mr. Marvin T. Bradley, Jr.: Drafting II, III, General Wood, Industrial Crafts.
- 3 Mr. Wayne Beer: Advanced Metal, General Metal, Small Engine Repair.
- 4 A steady hand is what Donna Pliier needs now.
- 5 Mr. Beer demonstrates the working of an engine to Rex Smith.
- 6 Fitting wood takes accurate measurement, and Mark Buehrer is aware of every detail.
- 7 Mr. Steve May: Applied Electricity, Drafting I, Electronics, Industrial Crafts.
- 8 Mr. Glenn McDole: Advanced Wood, General Wood.
- 9 Mr. Dieckman holds a vase while Michelle Hubbard applies the first coat of paint.
- 10 Mike Ackerson holds the wood top down before putting in the last nail.





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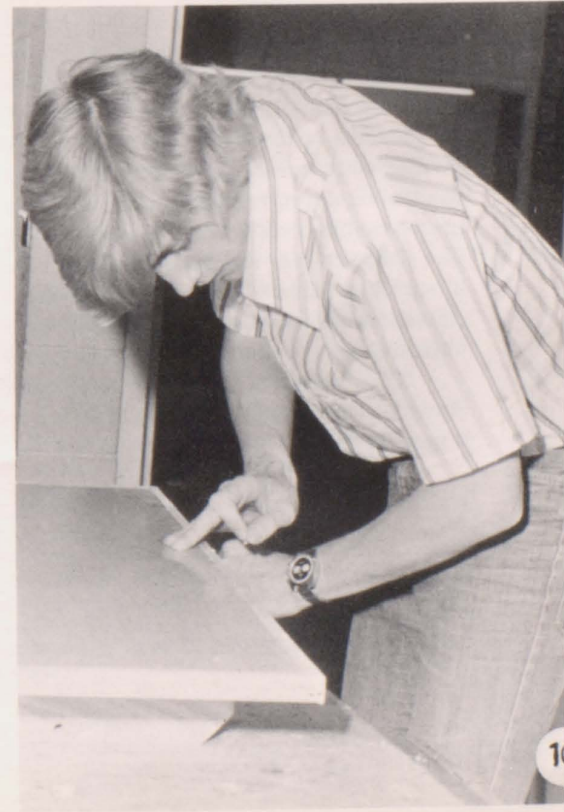
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The world of languages was explored by students in French, German and Spanish. New "captains" this year were Mrs. Kathy Gold and Mrs. Lynda Pate. Reaching out beyond North Kansas City, Hornets learned about language structure, countries and foods through classroom texts, language labs, and individual research.

All the foreign language classes participated in a language festival at Northtown on April 24, 1975.

French classes reached out even farther by entering state competition at the University of Missouri at Rolla. Their presentations were a melodrama, the song "La Deserte," a *Peanuts* skit and the lively "Can-Can" routine. The French classes won first place and received a two-hundred dollar scholarship as their prize.

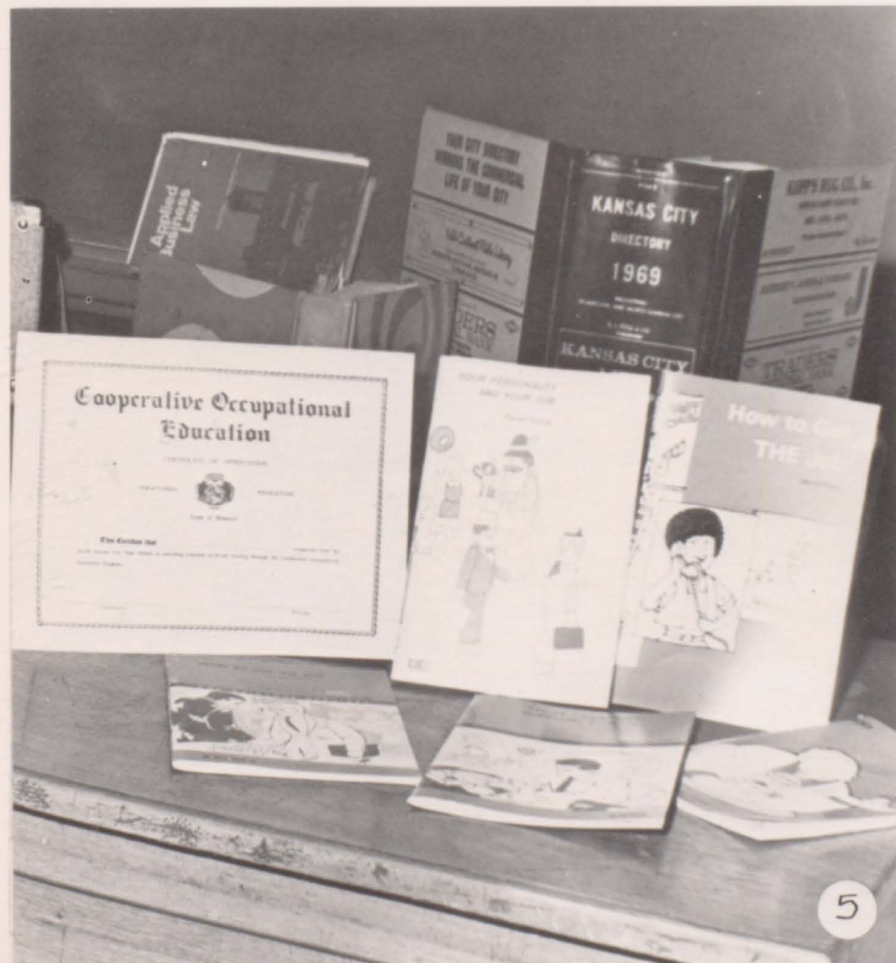
Northtown's foreign language students certainly discovered treasure in a new world.



- 1 Mrs. Martha Hooshangian: Spanish I, II, III, IV, V.
- 2 Mrs. Kathy Gold: German I, II, III.
- 3 Practicing away on her cello for Northtown's language festival is Karen King.
- 4 Mrs. Lynda Pate: French I, II, III, IV.
- 5 The language lab provides "music" to language students' ears.

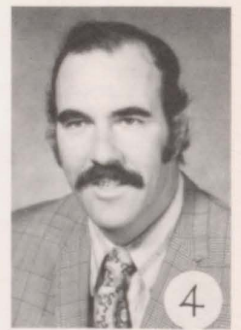
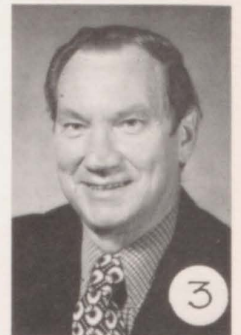
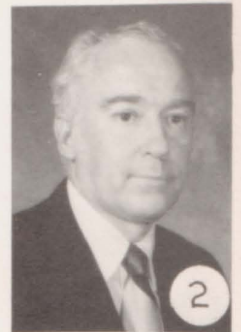


Hornets explore new worlds



North Kansas City's Co-operative Education students entered the working world to gain money and insight into their future careers. The four divisions of COE were Distributive Education, Office Education, Trades and Industry, and Orientation to Employment. The students, who must be seniors, attended three hours of school in the morning before leaving for work. Students were graded by their employers as well as their teacher for the three credits given. Employers, students, and teachers ended the year at the COE banquet.

- 1 Mrs. Ruth Klopfenstein: Work Experience.
- 2 Quiet is what Miss Shirley Steadman needs while she ponders which applications for COE she will accept.
- 3 Mr. Donald Robbins: Orientation to Employment, Trades and Industry.
- 4 Miss Shirley Steadman: Business Law, Distributive Education.
- 5 Directories, guides, pamphlets and honors are all used for a COE student's education of the working world.



North Kansas City's Driver Education classes taught students self-control which is necessary in controlling a car.

Students worked in three areas: forty-five hours in class, ten hours with the simulators and three to four hours behind the wheel.

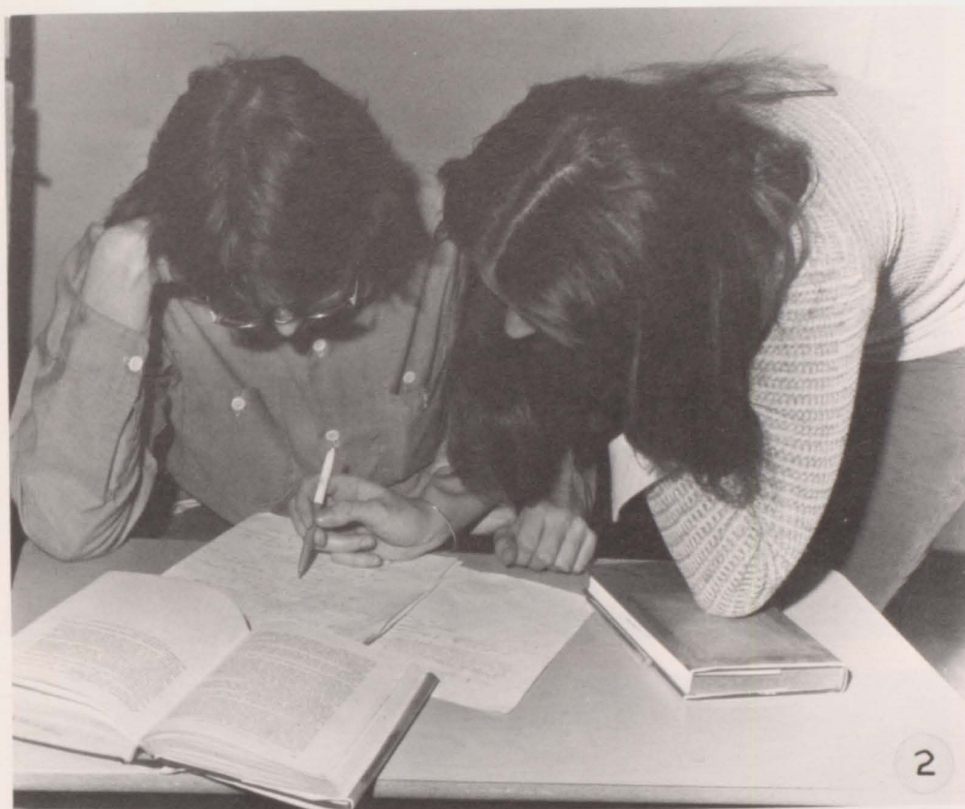
Rules of the road and penalties for violations were taught along with a project students found beneficial— buying, insuring and maintaining a car for one year. Students realized the responsibility, care and control that would be needed in owning a car.

- 1 Mr. Jerry Diehl: Driver Education, Physical Fitness.
- 2 Mr. Robert Elliot: Driver Education.
- 3 Mr. Leland O'Dell: Driver Education.
- 4 Mr. Warren Platt: Driver Education.
- 5 Sherrie Stockton finds the simulator improves her driving.
- 6 "Student Driver" is one of the important signs on the road.
- 7 Carla Forbes starts out for a road lesson.





Students learn self-control



North Kansas City's principals and concerned parents came up with the Inner School Suspension Adjustment Program as a solution to Northtown's suspension problem.

INSAP's purpose was to punish the student for minor offenses, such as truancy, and to give the student a chance to talk over his problems with principals and counselors. Miss Sally Sterling, the co-ordinator, was given much credit for her work with and understanding of the students' problems. Many came back to talk or to say hello.

Its continuance unsure, INSAP was definitely a worthwhile effort of dedicated and concerned people.

- 1 Miss Sally Sterling: INSAP co-ordinator.
- 2 Classwork is completed in INSAP with a little help from Miss Sterling.
- 3 Helping with classwork is a good way to get to know a student.

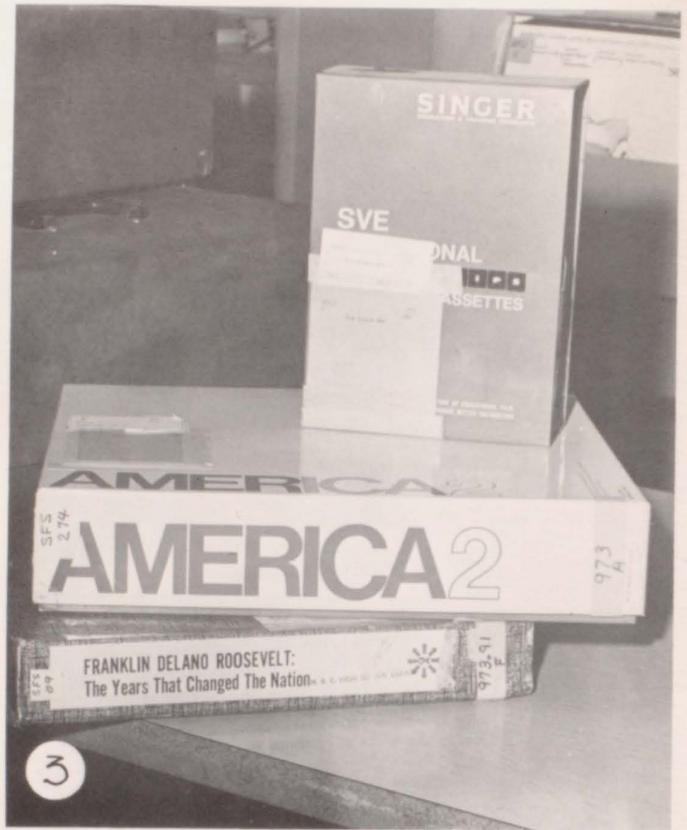
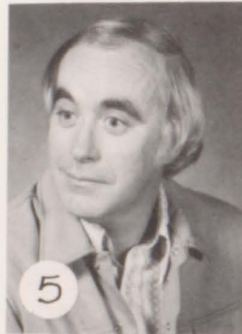
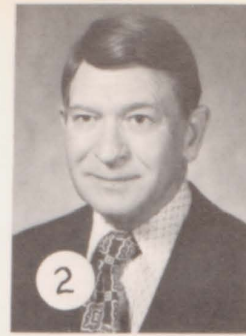


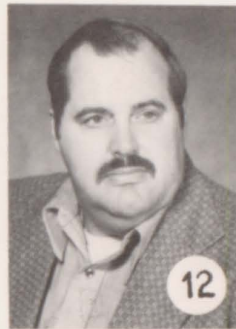
With North Kansas City's extensive Social Studies Department, students delved into the past, the present and themselves.

For those interested in history, there were many classes to choose from. Anthropology studied the origin and development of man in relation to his physical and social environments. Students wrote term papers on different religions and delivered class reports on subjects, such as Stonehenge and Cave Art. American History, Midwestern History, Medieval World History, and Ancient World History focused on particular aspects of world history and watched films, on people such as Andrew Johnson, and wrote papers, such as Walt Disney: the man and his mission and The Kennedy Assassination. Geography students not only studied geography and its affect upon the world, but also specific topics like the effect of natural resources, climactic conditions and features of areas of the world. American Government dealt with the history, principles and development of our government. Students did several projects, such as an essay on democracy.

Contemporary Issues, Modern World History, and Recent US History were concerned with issues and developments facing the world today. Students were encouraged to speak out on issues like the Vietnam War, prejudice and World War II. Minority Groups not only dealt with ethnic groups, but also the blind, bald, and deaf were used to illustrate the inherent situations faced by minorities. Humanities studied many aspects of man's cultural history through writing, art and music. Students were exposed to all three and had to write papers on their concepts of each.

Philosophy students were intrigued with this class. Hornets studied great philosophers and their affect upon the world then related this to their own lifestyles in addition to trying to form their own philosophies. Psychology was a senior course for those interested in theories, intelligence, personality and various problems. Students wrote their autobiographies and tried to relate what they learned to themselves. Sociology focused on topics as norms, religion, education, cultural values and racial institutions. Each student was encouraged to develop his or her own views on each.

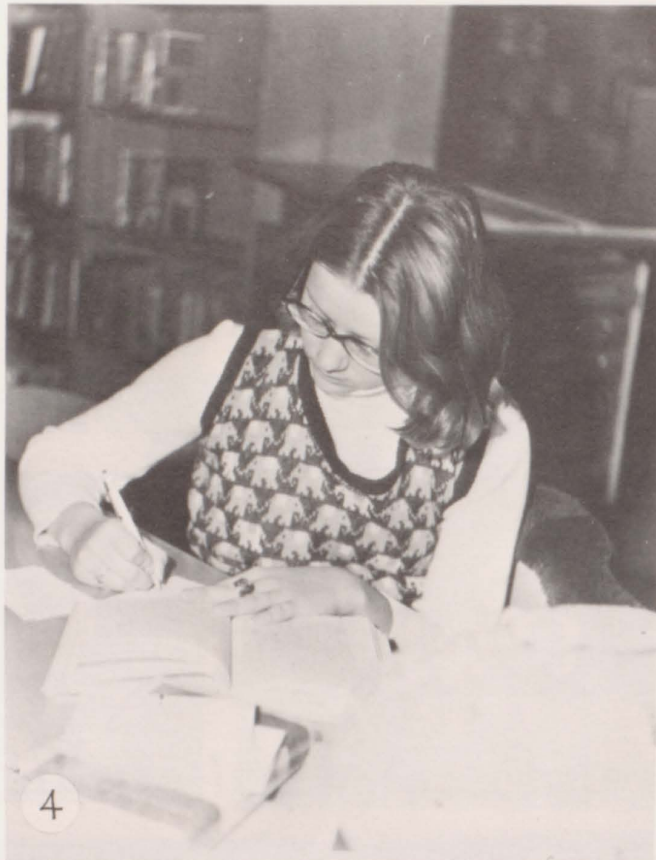




Hornets relate to social studies



- 1 Miss Dorothy Barnett: American History, Anthropology.
- 2 Mr. Woodrow Campbell: American History.
- 3 Tapes and filmstrips aid teachers and students in studying history.
- 4 Mr. William Cross: Economics, Philosophy, Sociology.
- 5 Mr. Don Duey: American History, Contemporary Issues.
- 6 Barb Werner and Diana Brock enjoy some music in the library while working on a history assignment sheet.
- 7 Mr. Bill Durham: American Government, American History.
- 8 Miss Marilyn Fairchild: American History, *Buzz*, Minority Groups, Personalized Project Program.
- 9 Mr. Ed Hedgecorth: American History, Health, Midwestern History.
- 10 Mr. Norman Little: American History, Geography I, II, Medieval World History, Social Studies.
- 11 Mr. Max Payne: American History, Ancient World History, Basketball, Football, Modern World History, Physical Fitness, Recent US History, Wrestling.
- 12 Mr. Dale Williams: Psychology I and II.
- 13 This map of the world during World War II is one of the many maps students use as a reference for making their own maps.



North Kansas City's Language Arts Department offered varied classes concerned with the skills of reading, writing, speaking and listening.

Composition and Creative Writing classes learned the mechanics and skills of writing through assignments, discussions, and skits. Individualized Studies and Developmental Reading students worked on their own, improving writing skills, reading and comprehension abilities. American Literature, English Literature, Modern Novel and Short Stories classes covered current and past literature, such as *The Red Badge of Courage*, "The Maypole of Merry Mount," and "Chicago."

Folklore studied the past through legend and lore. The students also had a painting bee in which the room was painted and decorated. Mythology interested students in the ancient past while Science Fiction explored the future.

Speech, Mass Media, Debate and Drama classes explored various forms of oral and written communications. The students took their presentations to tournaments for awards and broadcasted radio programs during lunch in the cafeteria.

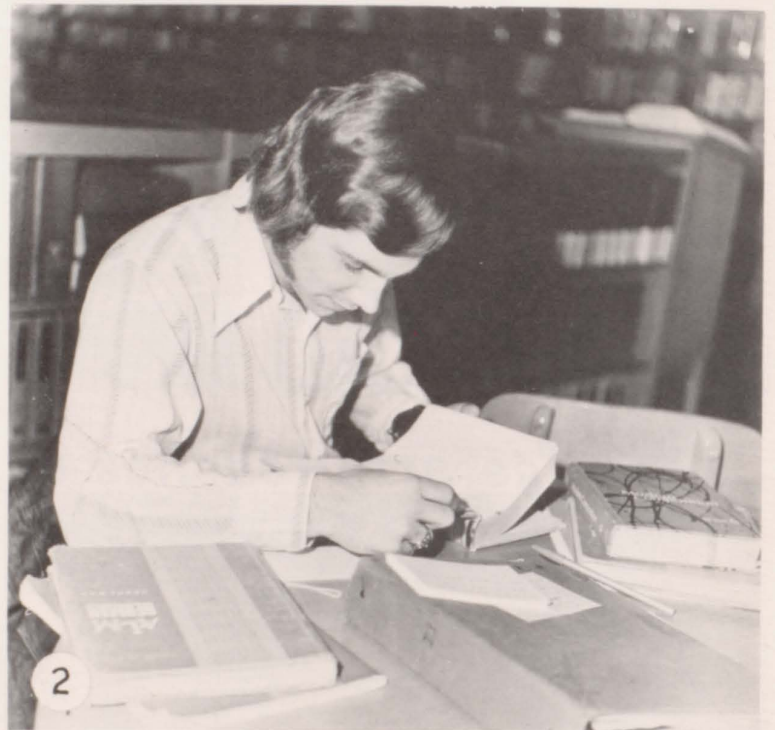




Language arts teaches expression



- 1 Mrs. Jean Anderson: Composition II, I.S. III, *Purgold*, Science Fiction.
- 2 Mrs. Juanita Cain: Composition II.
- 3 Mrs. Dana Childress: Composition II, Creative Writing, Short Stories.
- 4 In the peace and quiet of the library, Denise Howard concentrates on her composition assignment.
- 5 Tom O'Donnell, Sharon Laningham and Kyle Johanson research their subjects for composition term papers.
- 6 Mr. Sam Dalzell: Composition II, Humanities, Mythology, Short Stories.
- 7 Mrs. Linda Daniels: Accelerated Composition II, I.S. II, Science Fiction.
- 8 Mrs. Bonnie Foulke: Composition II, I.S. II, III, IV, Psychology I.
- 9 Miss Mildred Fulton : Drama I and II.
- 10 Miss Mabel Hale: Debate I and II, Mass Media, Radio and Television, Speech I and II.
- 11 Miss Charlotte McClintock: Advanced Composition, Composition II, English Literature, Modern Novel.
- 12 Mrs. Loveta Moore: Developmental Reading, American Folklore.
- 13 Miss Kay Widebrook: American Literature, Laboratory Composition.
- 14 Linda Page and Cathy Cook find teamwork makes creative writing easier.



- 1 *Becky Beilmann plans her outline for her composition on Samuel Johnson.*
- 2 *Bruce Wormington hunts for an interesting short story, such as "The Tell-Tale Heart."*
- 3 *Dana Haynes and Steve McCandless work together on finding intriguing subjects for their final papers.*



Students learn communication

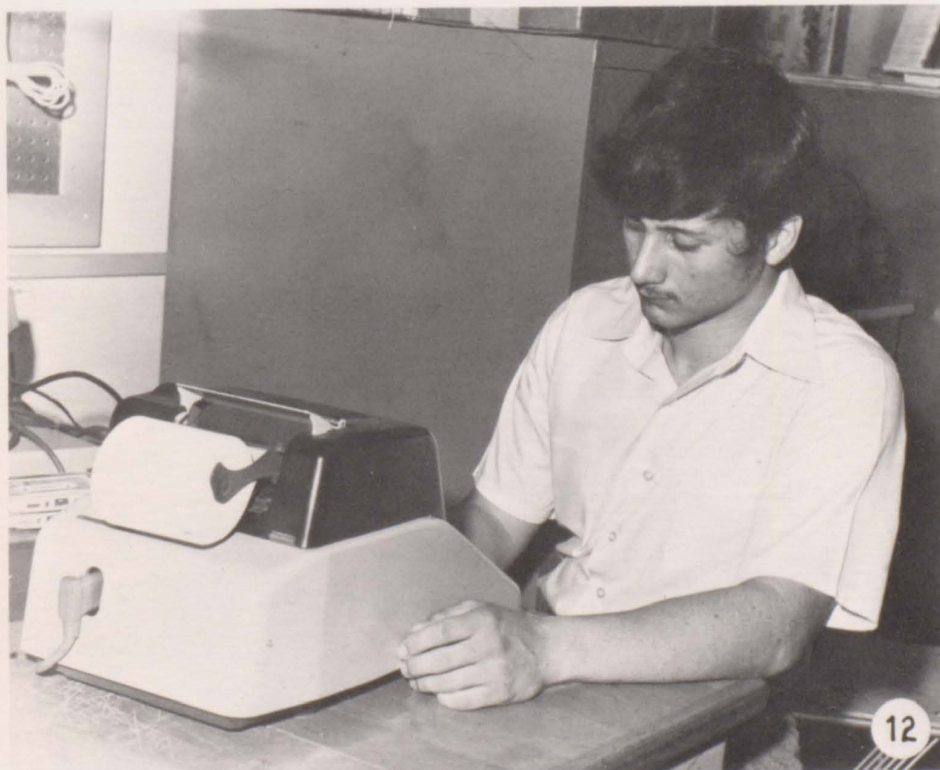


- 1 Cyndy Owsley practices her delivery on "The Last of Mrs. Lincoln" for the Suburban Conference Individuals Tournament.
- 2 Ron Nelson, Jan Nichols, Becky Henson and Alan Kuhnel work in their groups to plan projects for science fiction books, such as The Martian Chronicles.
- 3 Sue Cassidy prepares her first editorial on the identity crisis for the Buzz.





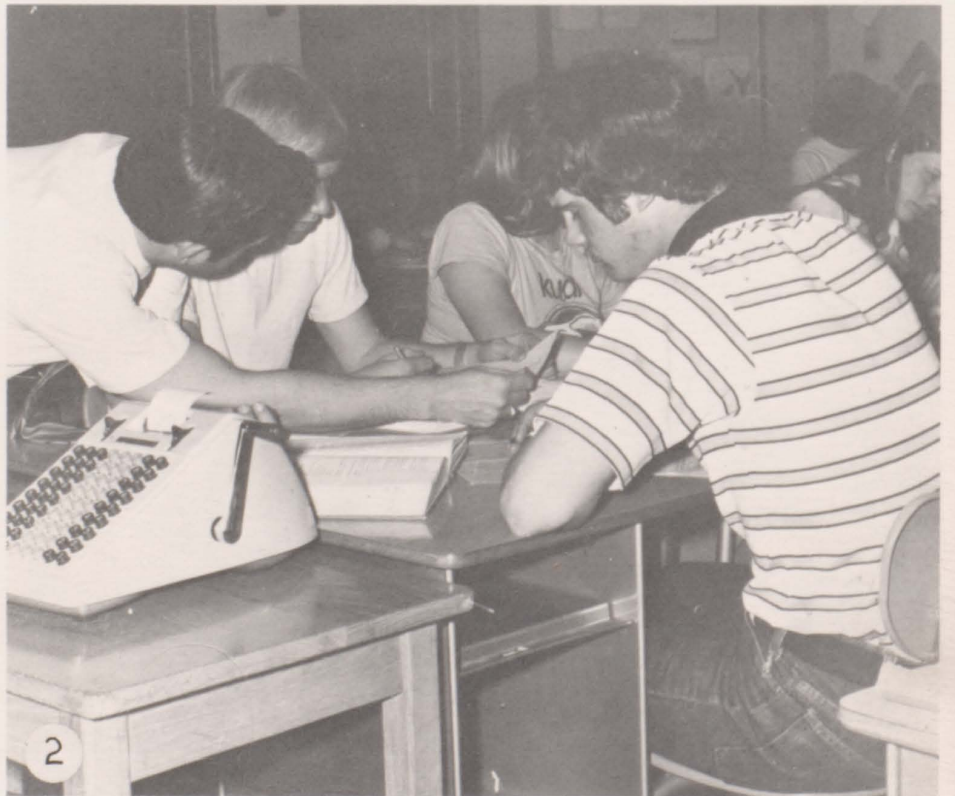
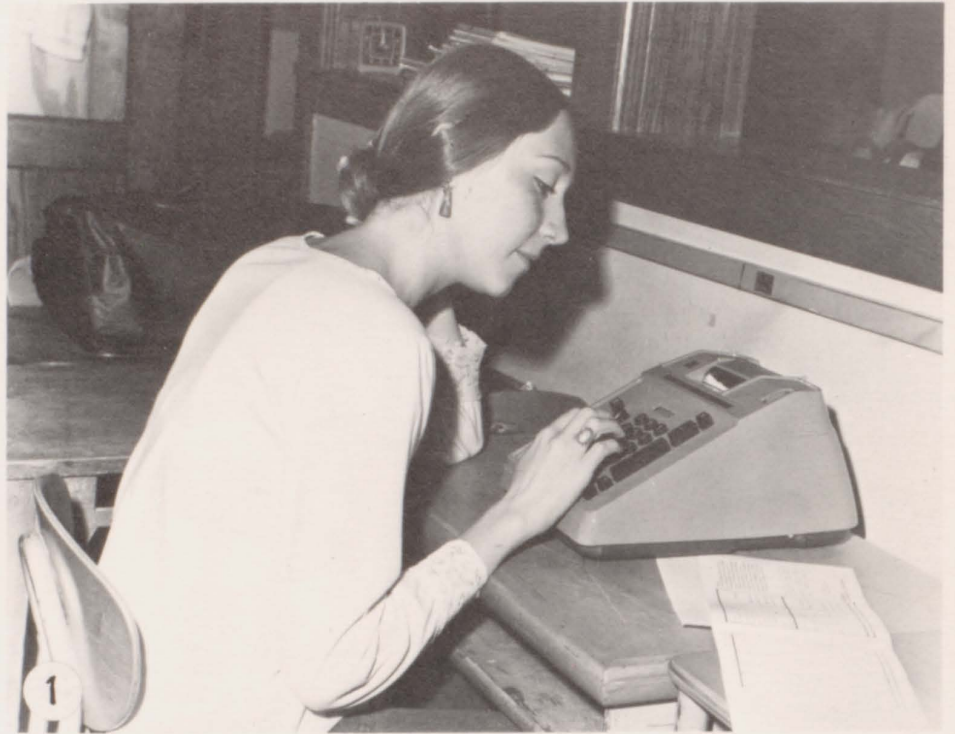
Hornets keep strictly to business



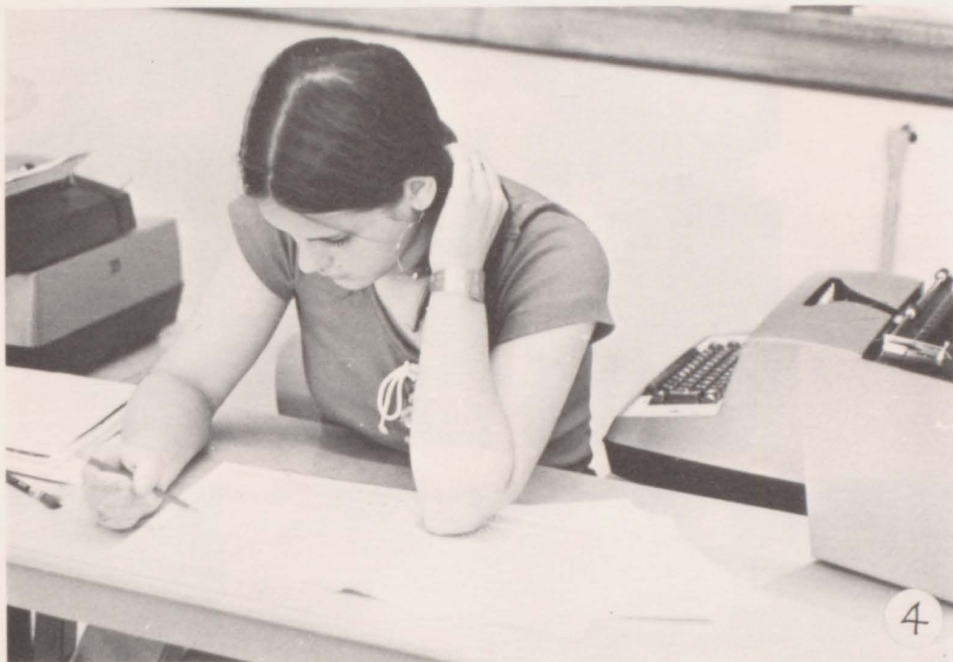
Mrs. Linda Gross and Miss Jan Johnson came to North Kansas City to join the other Business Education teachers in keeping students' fingers and minds busy. Those interested in clerical, secretarial and business fields found the classes very rewarding for future careers. Students were very serious about their work, and excellent results proved it.

- 1 Mr. Joe Grace: Cooperative Office Education, Accounting I.
- 2 Mrs. Linda Gross: Business Law, Data Processing, Personal Typing.
- 3 Completing her daily assignment of one shorthand chapter is Vicki Kimball.
- 4 Miss Jan Johnson: Basic Business, Typing I.
- 5 Mrs. Doris Lamkins: Clerical Practice, Personal Typing, Record Keeping.
- 6 Pam Sherer listens to dictation on a tape recorder to increase her shorthand speed.
- 7 Mr. Woodson Moore: Accounting I and II.
- 8 Miss Karen Rosencrans: Secretarial Practice, Shorthand.
- 9 Mrs. Dorothy Shatto: Shorthand, Typing I.
- 10 Mrs. Judith Welch: Basic Business, Personal Typing, Typing I.
- 11 Denise McCarty types quickly and accurately on her class assignment.
- 12 Going through a long list of figures commands all the attention of David Kean.

Students prepare for careers



- 1 Karen Thomas checks to see if the figures add up.
- 2 Doug Derry completes his accounting assignment as Mr. Woodson Moore helps Scott Watson.
- 3 Filing is one of the many things Joyce Chaney learns in secretarial practice.
- 4 Proofreading a typing assignment is Brenda Heath.
- 5 Mike Murphy struggles over more advanced accounting with complex equipment.



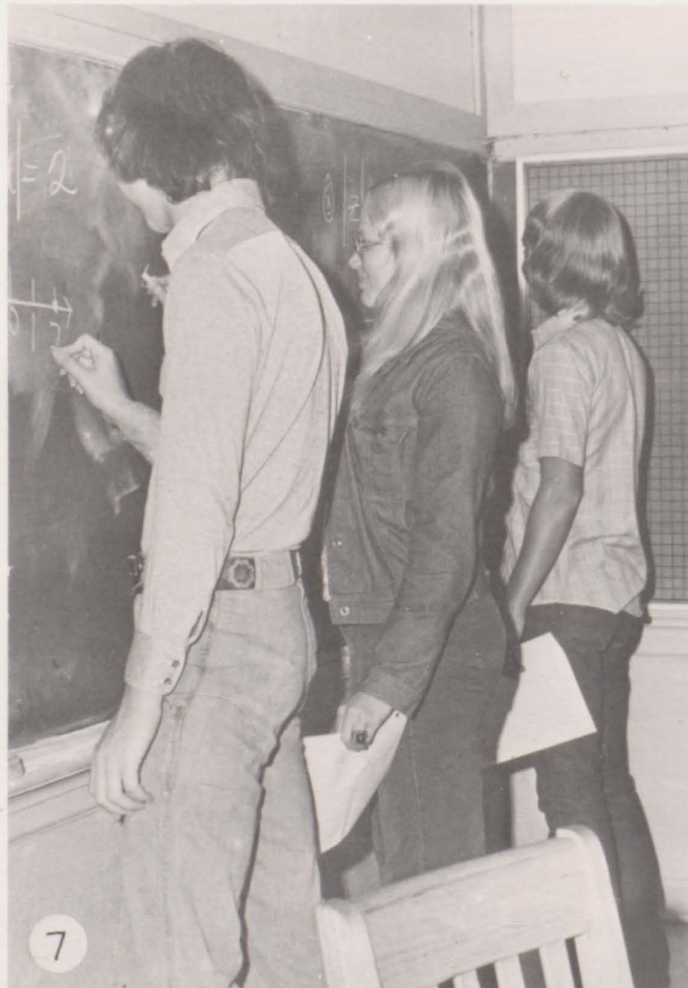


Math, science expand participation



This year North Kansas City's Mathematics Department gained the additions of Mrs. Jan Howard, Miss Melinda McCully, and Mrs. Mary Lou Reed.

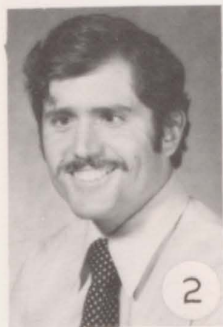
Most of the classes taught much on the standard basis of previous years, using class discussion and participation, homework, and tests to learn concepts. New ideas were added to expand knowledge and creativity. Mrs. Reed developed a Top Ten list inspiring students to learn more about mathematics. Miss McCully used clay and string to help students better understand geometric figures. All the teachers increased class participation so students would learn not only from the teacher, but also themselves.



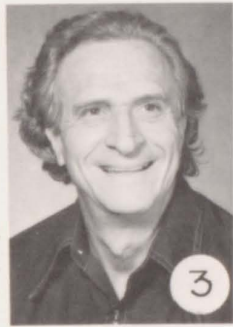
- 1 Mr. Eugene Cole: Basic Math, Accelerated Geometry, Math Analysis, Trigonometry.
- 2 Mr. Don Cobb: Algebra I and II.
- 3 David Knudson, Donna Mandina and Kathie Dollard work on their class assignment.
- 4 Mrs. Jan Howard: Algebra I, Basic Math, Geometry.
- 5 Miss Melinda McCully: Algebra II, Geometry.
- 6 Mrs. Mary Lou Reed: Algebra I, Basic Math, Geometry.
- 7 Rochelle Rickard and her fellow classmates put their answers on the board for the class to study.



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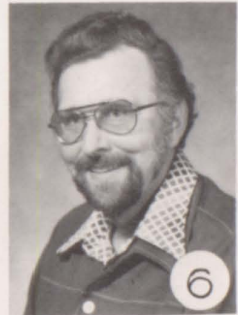
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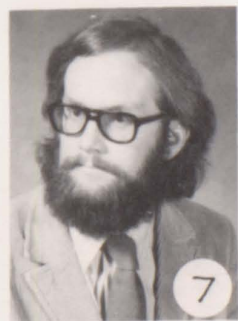
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North Kansas City's Science Department concentrated on individual and class involvement in the fields of High School Science, Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

High School Science and Biology made students aware of the environment, the human body, the animal kingdom and the basic principles of science. Mr. Arthur Loepp, new to Northtown, taught High School Science and Algebra II.

Chemistry students worked in various fields of chemistry that interested them, such as the cell's biochemical organization and the assembly of a laser, in addition to regular classwork.

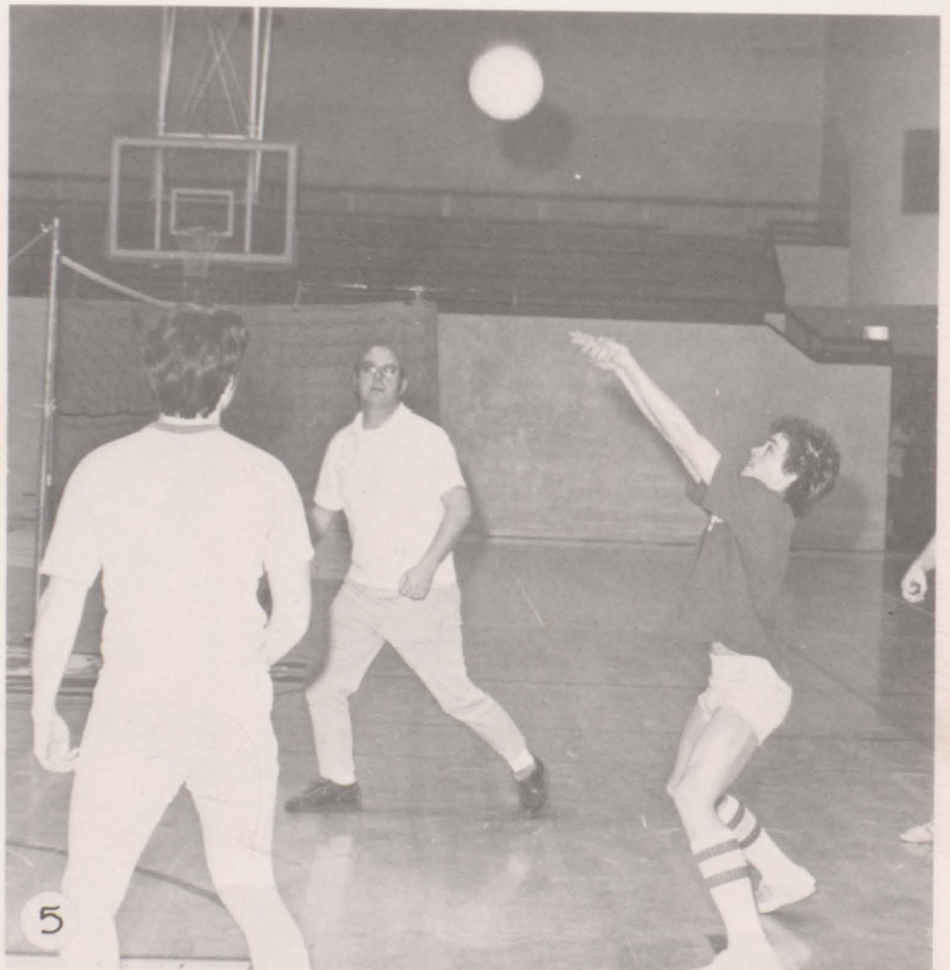
Students in Physics learned the seven basic principles of matter and energy and related these to orbital problems, collisions, and elasticity.

- 1 Karen Andrews and Pam Braile learn the use of the microscope for future biology experiments.
- 2 Mr. Bill Alexander: Chemistry I and II, High School Science.
- 3 Mr. Bob Arrington: Biology I.
- 4 Mr. John Craig: Photography, Physics A and B.
- 5 Roger Arnold tests a theory in an experiment while Cindy Walker and Jackie Richmond look on.
- 6 Mr. Bill Lawing: Biology I and II.
- 7 Mr. Arthur Loepp: Algebra II, High School Science.
- 8 Mr. Earl Munger: Biology I and II.



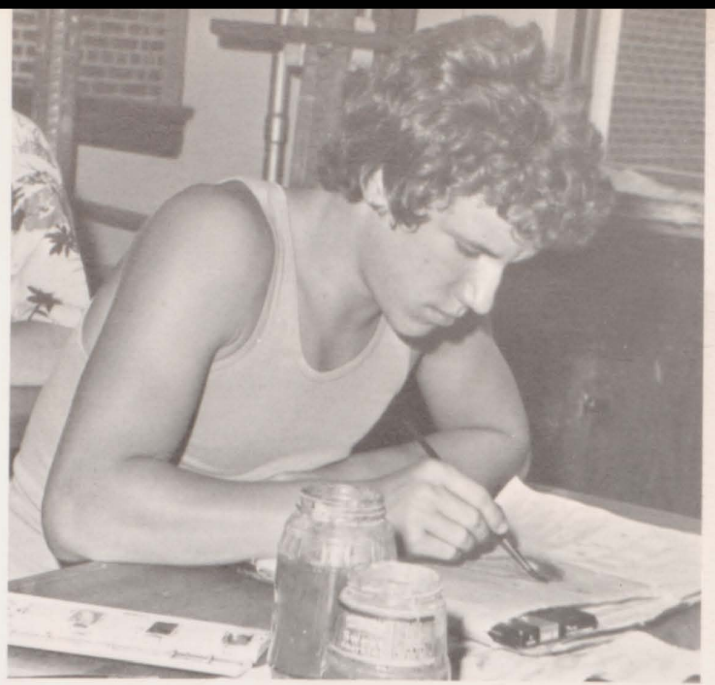
The Physical Education Department at North Kansas City underwent many changes in its used-to-be standard program. Gym classes became more specialized. Some sports, such as track, had advanced classes for students. Most classes were a semester long to allow students to participate in a variety of sports. While there were separate gym classes for boys and girls, Adaptive Physical Education and Co-educational Recreation involved both.

- 1 Refereeing a volleyball game requires all of your attention as Rick Thompson demonstrates.
- 2 Mr. Duane Hall: Adaptive Physical Education, Badminton, Basketball, Co-educational Recreation, Field Hockey, Football, Gymnastics, Handball, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Track, Volleyball, Wrestling.
- 3 Mrs. Cobina Jacobs: Badminton, Basketball, Flag Football, Gymnastics, Modern Dance, Softball, Tennis, Track, Volleyball.
- 4 Mrs. Jane Stone: Basketball, Bowling, Co-educational Recreation, Softball, Track, Volleyball.
- 5 Mr. Duane Hall and Mr. Jerry Diehl get ready as Tom Higgins sets up the volleyball.
- 6 Phil Cunningham, Brett Konkling, and Doug Rawdon counting sit-ups for Kerry Thomas, Scott Watson, and Steve Ferguson.
- 7 Alice Kithcart, Jeanine Hale, Miss Gloria Harbord, student teacher, and Teresa Sparkman watch Philomena Hull and Linda Pastori measure the distance of Teresa's long jump.



Gym classes are revitalized





Junior Class

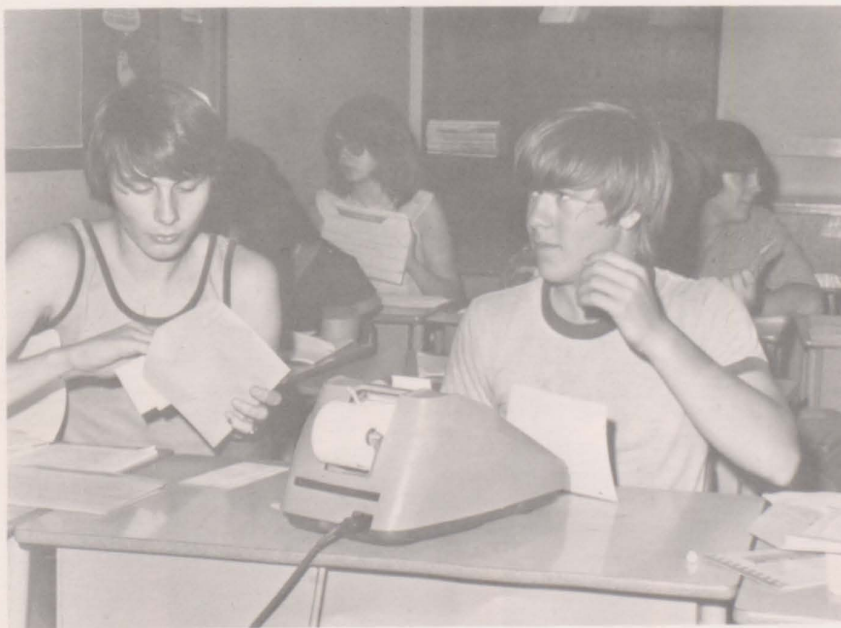
The third long year in N.K.C.
Is simply on the up-grade
So much to do and things to see
No time to be dull and staid
But surely I must not forget
I have only one year to go
And the pretty girl that I just met:
Has 2 or 3 or so——



People



1925-1975



Sophomore

Good grades (oh, yeah) have let me pass.
I'm something now to see——
For see I'm in the Sophomore Class
And a brilliant cuss I be.
My play time days are now quite through
My life shall now begin.
I'm here to say it's really true——
To study is not a sin!

1942 Owl

Sophomores dive into high school



The Sophomore class of 1975, totaling 470 students, represented mainly Northgate and Eastgate Junior High Schools.

Facing challenges normal to entering high school, they moved smoothly into a routine. After receiving the benefit of their sophomore orientation, they found that joining and participating in the various clubs and organizations was very rewarding.

Now being seasoned highschoolers, they are ready to begin their next challenging year as juniors.

1 Mrs. Juanita Cain, sophomore class sponsor, helps Tim Smith before the class officers get together for a meeting.

2 Sophomore Class officers are Vice President Jody Kapp, President Eileen Brown, Sergeant-at-Arms Buddy Adams, and Secretary-Treasurer Chuck Lashbrook.





Buddy Adams
 Ron Adams
 Doris Aitken
 Susan Albrecht
 Karen Andrews
 Shelia Armenta
 Sharla Arndt



Roger Arnold
 Bob Aviles
 Rhonda Baehr
 Ken Bailey
 Robert Baker
 Tere Baker
 Mary Barrett



Liz Bassett
 Tim Baxter
 Jeannie Bayless
 Nancy Becker
 Mary Jo Becvar
 Jim Beers
 Jim Beezley



Frank Beilmann
 Kathy Bell
 Bob Bentz
 Patti Bernhardt
 Clift Berry
 Doug Billiter
 John Bird



Susan Blair
 Candy Bledsoe
 Richard Blincoe
 Duane Bohlen
 David Bohlen
 Kathy Bond
 Michael Bonner



Marvin Booth
 Dale Bosley
 Gary Bosley
 Shelia Bowman
 Anna Boyd
 Bill Boydston
 Brenda Boyle



Vickie Bradbury
 Kent Bradshaw
 Tim Bradshaw
 De Anna Brady
 Roxanne Brady
 Pam Braile
 Laura Brandom



Sharon Branham
 Donald Bratcher
 Scott Brenton
 Alison Brown
 Eileen Brown
 Wayne Buck
 Kerri Buckley

John Burke
Robert Busby
Karen Butner
Bunny Capper
Tim Capps
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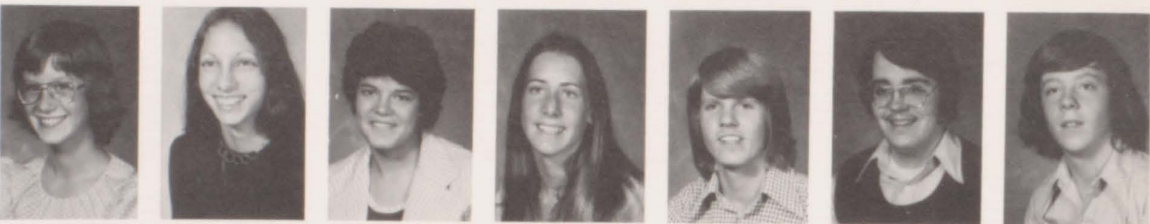
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Scott Conkling
Patricia Conner



Angie Cooper
Shawn Corwin
Donna Costanza
Sally Cowden
William Cowden
Bruce Cox
Jeff Cox



Deanne Creveling
Steve Crews
Patty Crume
Ricky Culey
Sherry Culp
Robin Dancker
Eric Danner



Kristy Davenport
Jolene Davidson
Nele Davidson
Angela Davis
Sheryl Dawson
Gary Delgado
Jerry Delgado



Cassandra Del Muro
Janet Derry
Liz De Witt
Charlene Dibble
Sheila Dillard
Cheryl Donaldson
Tim Duensing



Mark Duff
Sherry Duffey
Lora Du Fresne
Becky Durham
Brett Durlington
Brad Eckert
Gary Eckley





Gwen Edwards
 Joe Elliott
 Phyllis Elliott
 Steve Ellis
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Cheryl Estep
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Class of '77 forgets errors



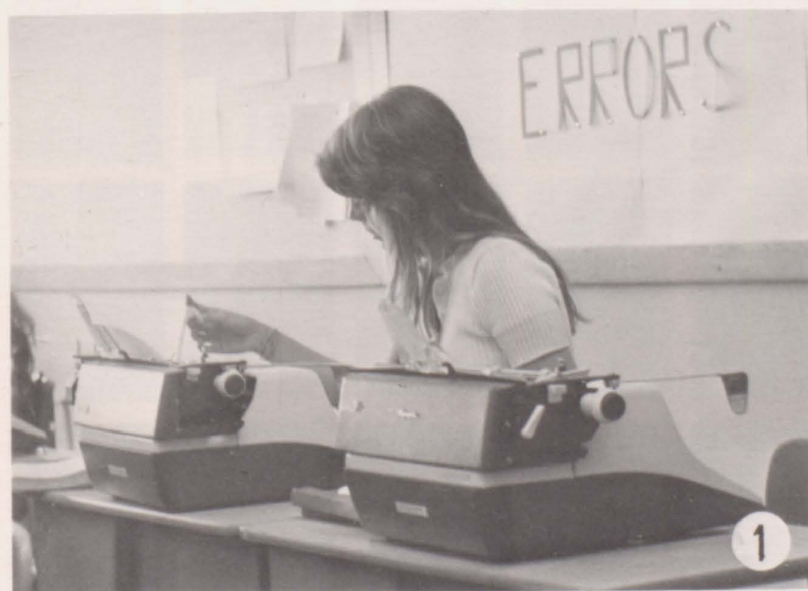
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 Tom Garton
 Martha Gibson
 Mike Gilsdorf



Brett Glass
 Cindy Goodson
 Bob Greathouse
 Connie Gregory
 Deanna Gregory
 Karen Guitreau
 Sheila Gulotta



1 Kathy Sheehan finds typing was a bigger mistake than she thought.

Jeanine Hale
 Mark Haley
 Irene Hall
 Tom Hammet
 Rick Hanes
 Bobby Hannah
 Richie Hanson



Tom Hanson
 James Harris
 Doug Hartman
 David Hassan
 Tim Hatfield
 Brenda Hayden
 Sandy Hayes



Diane Heller
 Barb Hellstern
 Dani Henley
 David Henneberg
 Becky Henson
 Danny Henson



High school has relaxing moments

Greg Henson
 Larry Hepler
 Tana Hiatt
 Lanna Hicks
 Sheila Hicks
 Pam Hiegert
 Tim Higgins



Tom Higgins
 Donna Hobbs
 Julie Hochstatter
 Debbie Hoffman
 Pat Hoffman
 Gretchen Hogan
 Vickie Holstead



Kathy Honeck
 Doug Houpt
 Dorothy House
 Jimmy House
 Diana Howard
 Elise Howard
 Philomena Hull



Gwen Humphrey
 Carol Hutton
 Mary Irving
 Paul Jarnvic
 Brad Jones
 Jim Justus
 John Kang



Jody Kapp
 Billie Kaye
 Richard Keck
 Neal Kenagy
 Brenda Kern
 Diana Kern
 John Kerwin





1 These Sophomores, Mark Duff and Alan Lawrey, find doing outdoor artwork very relaxing.



Vivian Kieslich
Teresa Kimrey
Karen King
Tim Kirk
Alice Kithcart
Curtis Kleoppel
Kim Klepac



Kari Knick
Jim Knoll
Kathy Konopka
Charles Kritz
Don Krueger
Alison Kuehn
Diane Kuhnel



Tom Lale
Brad Lambkin
Gene Lambkin
Darla Lampkin
Sherry Lane
Chris Langley
Chuck Lashbrook



Elaine Laughlin
Alan Lawrey
Theresa Lee
Scott Leighty
Steve Lenz
Terri Lewis
Carol Lierz



Terri Livingston
Kelly Long
Rene Love
Steve Lovins
Jim Lundberg
Johnny Macken
John Maddox



Rick Makris
Donna Mandina
Connie Manlove
Anita Marra
Tanya Martin
Forrest Mason
Ed Maurin



1 Diane Pyle finds American History amusing while the subject perplexes Terri Lewis, as they study in the library.

Valori Mayor
Cindy McCarty
Myra McCarty
Alan McClanahan
Clinton McClanahan
Cindy McColloch
Jann McConnell



Cheryl McCormick
Cindy McCoskey
Rhonda McDonald
Tammy McFarland
Mary McGonigal
Susan McGuinn
Paul McGuire



Ginger McIntyre
Barbara McKeehan
Linda McMullen
Ellen McPherson
Hellen McPherson
Robert McQueen
Chris McReynolds



Mike McRobert
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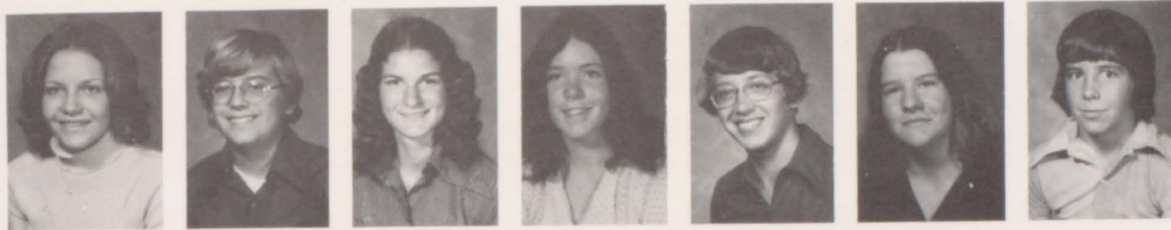


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John Miller
Rick Mills
Mark Minyard
Coy Mitchell
Ed Mitchell
Norman Mitchell





Chris Montoya
 Scott Moore
 Tony Moore
 Dwayne Morris
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 Beth Mott



Melody Mott
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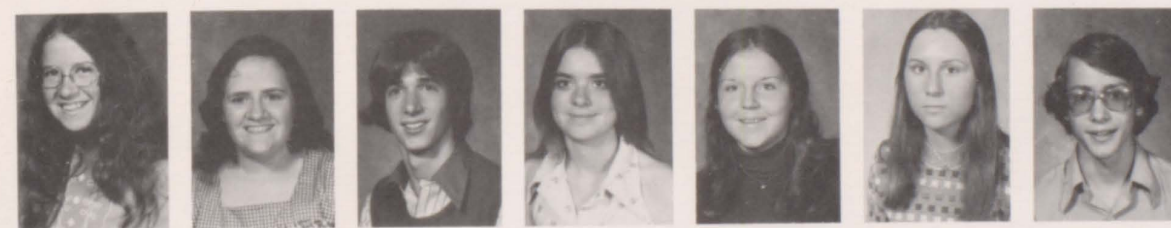


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Library sets many moods



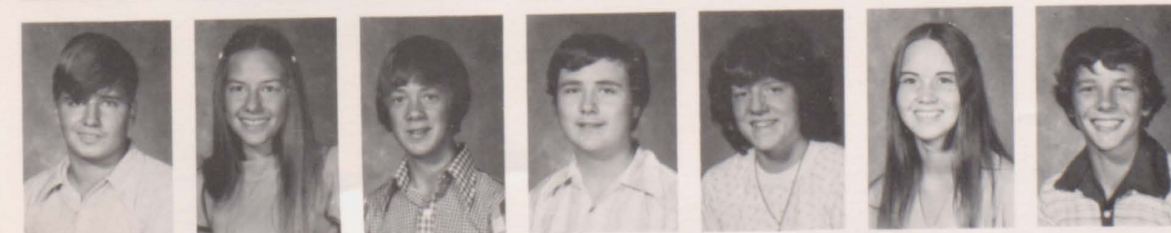
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Shelly Piontek
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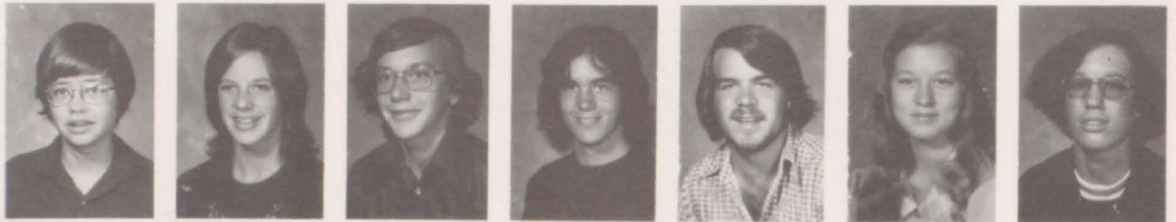
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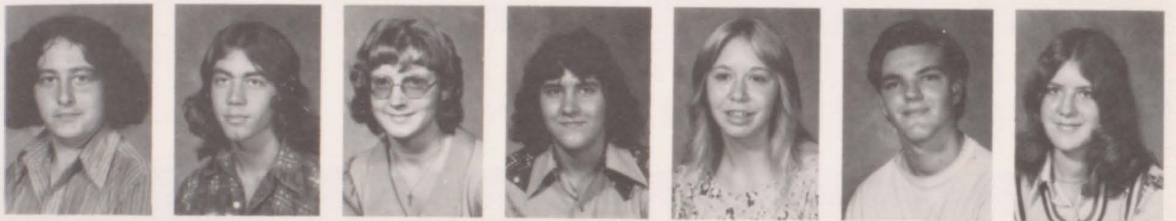
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 Tammie Sanstra



Mike Sappington
 Greg Saragusa
 Margie Schneegass
 Theresa Scholz
 Nancy Schroeder
 David Schumacher
 Cathy Scott



Debbie Shadrick
 Debbie Sharp
 Kathy Sheehan
 Burt Shewmaker
 Cyndi Sidles
 Becky Sievers
 Pam Simpson



Patti Sinnett
 Mark Slaughter
 Antry Smith
 Eddie Smith
 Joe Smith
 Mark Smith
 Rex Smith



Scott Smith
 Shelly Smith
 Tim Smith
 Mike South
 Martha Soxman
 Mary Soxman
 Melanie Spain





Teresa Sparkman
Mike Sparks
April Spooner
Ken Sportsman
Karen Spruyette
Lance Staves
Kevin Stephens



Tom Stephens
Lisa Stephenson
Cindy Stevens
Beth Stevenson
Jackie Stewart
Darcel Still
Phil Stitt

Sophomores explore high school



Jeanette Stiverson
Sherrie Stockton
Don Strange
Peggy Sullivan
Dianne Sunderland
Sandy Thornton
Nancie Turley



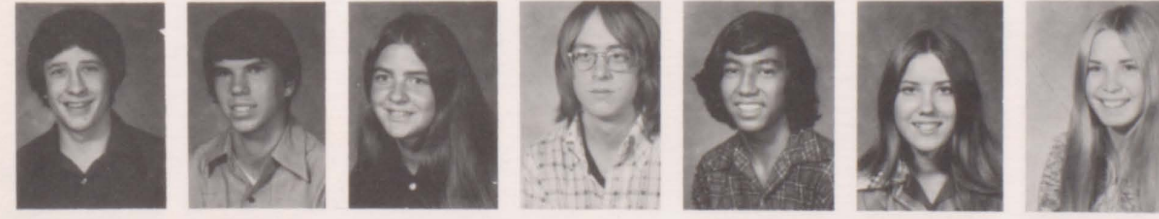
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Teresa Watson
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Tammy Wells



Barbara Werner
Dennis Weymuth
Debra Wheaton
Bill Whitaker
Roberta Whitaker
Cheryl White
Linda Wiederholt



Carl Williams
Bob Williams
Kathy Williams
Paul Williams
Richard Willis
Michelle Wilson
Bridget Wintz



Tina Wood
Susie Woolard
Terrie Wright
Bob Wurdack
Dawn Wyland
Denise Yarberry
Karl Zetmeir

Being that the 1974 Junior Class was an enterprising group, the 1975 Junior Class benefitted from the ample treasury.

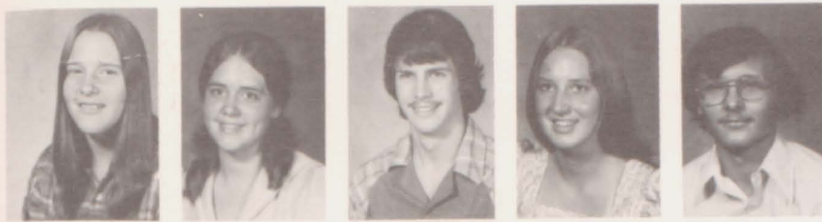
The class of 456 members added to this fund by collection of dues, sale of spirit chains, and the presentation of the Junior class play, *Bell, Book, and Candle*.

The class financed the Junior-Senior Prom April 12. Held at Plaza Inn International, the dance was enjoyed by all who attended.

1 Junior class sponsors, Mrs. Judy Welch and Mr. Larry Munger, talk and joke before a meeting to decide this year's Prom theme.

2 The Junior Class Officers are Sergeant-at-Arms Leslie Lee, Secretary-Treasurer Patti Estis, Vice President Steve Robertson, and President Mike Seymour.





Karen Ackerson
Diane Alban
John Allanson
Lynn Allen
Larry Andrews



Randy Armintrout
Steve Arnone
Ted Arnsperger
Julian Arrendondo
Bob Aston



Larry Atherton
Mark Auer
Kerry Austin
Gene Baker
John Baker

Fun keeps year moving



Barbara Baldi
Jeff Baldwin
Jim Baldwin
Marcia Baldwin
Laura Balhuizen
Bill Barbe
Joel Barcus



Mary Base
Rhonda Bash
Darlene Battiest
Jeanne Baum
Vicki Beard
Barbara Beck
Marian Beck



Kenny Bedsaul
Cindy Bennett
Mike Bennett
Beth Black
Donna Blanc
Dennis Blanchard
Barb Bland



Cindy Bledsoe
Lisa Boaz
Joan Bonk
Toy Boone
Terry Bowman
Barbara Boyle
Marty Bradshaw



1 Gerald Trimble and Mr. Leimkuhler practice a fight in Hamlet while planting flowers in the courtyard.

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Iлона Brannen
Debi Bratcher
Cathy Braus
Diana Brock
David Brooks
Kathy Brown
Mike Brull



Rhonda Buckner
Alisa Burk
Beverly Burk
Danny Burlington
Sally Burnidge
Cindy Buss
Pam Butner



Rodney Cain
Debbie Cammisano
Rodney Canon
Cathy Cape
Linda Carleton
Terri Carlton



Nancy Carrel
Paul Carrier
Jonathan Carter
Ross Catherson
Jane Caufield
Jack Chadwick
Janet Chandler





Della Chastain
Pam Childers
Kim Clark
Berkley Clarkson
Phillip Cleaver
Gary Clemens
Randy Cobb



Mickey Collins
Greg Conkling
Marlin Conry
Cathy Cook
Debi Cook
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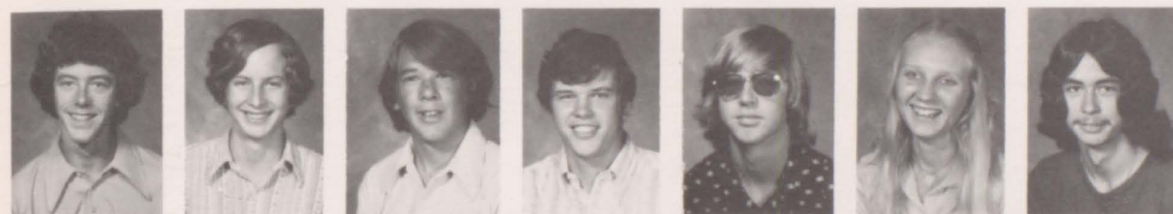
Juniors dramatize situations



Deanna Crabb
Jeff Crain
Cheryl Crippen
Tonia Crislip
Cathy Crosthwait
Cam Crouthers
Doug Crume



Cheryl Cubbage
Phil Cullimore
Gina Cumby
Dianne Cummings
Natalie Custer
Marsha Dahl
Mona Danner



Mickey Davidson
Dean Davis
Tom Decker
Pat Deckman
John Deere
Dorothy DeGhelder
Tony Delgado

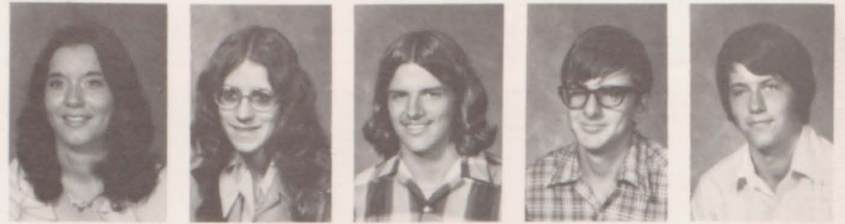


Norma Dominguez
Kevin Derry
Carol Dieckman
Cheryl Dinwiddie
Ed Dodd
Sharon Dodson
Kathie Dollard



Mary Doran
Connie Dover
Sheryl Duggan
Cindy Eberts
Jim Edgar
Brice Elliot
Cindy Ellis

Kathy Emmerson
 Anna Engleman
 Jerry English
 John Epley
 Tom Essman



Patti Estis
 Mike Evans
 Leslie Fetters
 Valerie Feurer
 Mike Fields



Grant Finnell
 Cindy Fisher
 Jena Flannary
 Jeff Foerschler
 Brenda Ford



Art intrigues juniors

Jan Ford
 Marcia Forsythe
 Kevin Frakes
 Jan Fredrickson
 Randy Freeman
 Doug Fricke
 Cathy Frogge



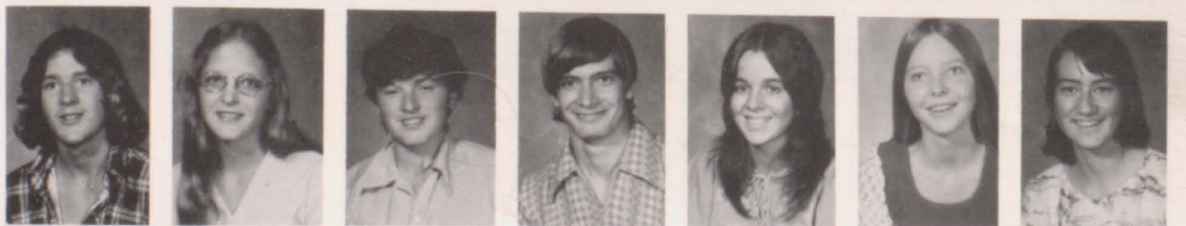
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 Mary Jane Grooms
 Dixie Gurley
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 Carolyn Halley
 Claudia Hamilton
 Sherry Hammett

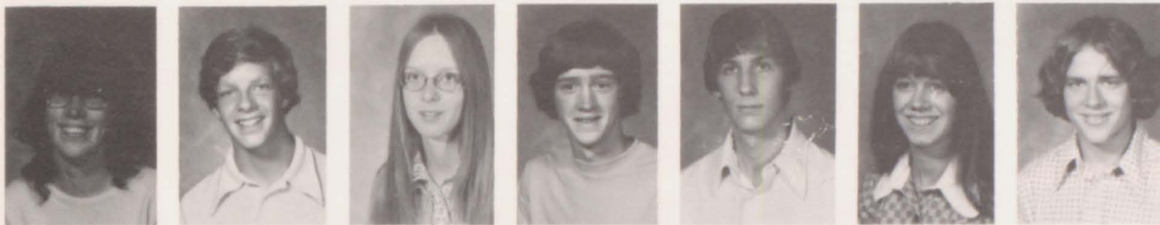


Chuck Hamrick
 Mary Harbison
 Larry Hartman
 Dennis Haugen
 Brenda Hayes
 Cindy Hayes
 Sandy Haynes





1 "That's a picture?" was Kyra Woody's comment about Terry Williams painting.



Kay Heagy
Bob Heath
Liz Hellstrom
Donnie Henderson
Ron Henley
Joyce Hevalow
Bob Hiatt



Sharon Hiatt
LeaAnne Hicks
Greg Hiebert
Debbie Higman
Craig Hill
Eddie Hills
Jeff Hodges



Sheri Hoffman
Irene Holmes
Kerry Holyfield
Karen Howell
Michelle Hubbard
Marsha Hudlemeyer
Eddie Hudson



John Hughes
Macie Hulen
Melissa Hull
Tammy Hultz
Lee Hurst
Sheryl Hurst
Jim Johnson



Julie Johnson
Karen Johnson
Craig Jones
Sherry Jones
Greg Kang
Tom Kerns
Darlene Kerr



1 Doug Rawdon explores the finer points of rock polishing.

Chun Kim
Paul Kim
Vicki Kimball
Brent Kingsbury
Donna Kline
Dave Knudson
Joyce Kraft



Alan Kuhnel
Karen Kurtz
Joe Lane
Carol Laningham
Kenny Laramore
Steve Larson
John Layton



Leslie Lee
Pam Lee
Teresa Leewright
Daryl Lemasters
Lynn Lemons
Tony Libra
Cindy Lierz



Debbie Linhorst
Athena Lipari
Lisa Lique
Steven Locke
Geri Lohnes
Kristie Long
Pam Looney





Annette Ludwig
Cheryl Lundberg
Jennifer Mann
Teri Mann
David Marshall
Travis Marshall
Mike Martens



Mark Martin
Gene Mason
Gaye Mathes
Jim Mathews
JoAnne Matthesen
Melissa Mathis
Karen Mayo

Juniors become polished



Stephen McArtor
Jamie McBath
Kyle McCamis
Dennis McCoy
Lynn McCoy
Sheila McDonald
Scarlet McGuire



Don McPherson
David McRill
Sandy Mead
Pam Meyer
Carol Middleton
Jaeneen Miller
Pamela Miller



Stephanie Mitchell
Anna Sue Mohler
Eddie Moore
Mike Moore
Randy Moore
Pam Moreland
Gary Morgan



Loretta Morgan
Joe Morris
Danny Moser
Jo Murray
Mike Musick
Mary Beth Mussurici
Matt Myers



Tim Myers
Eddie Navia
Elaine Nees
Greg Neumann
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Kelli Nichols
Loy Nickens

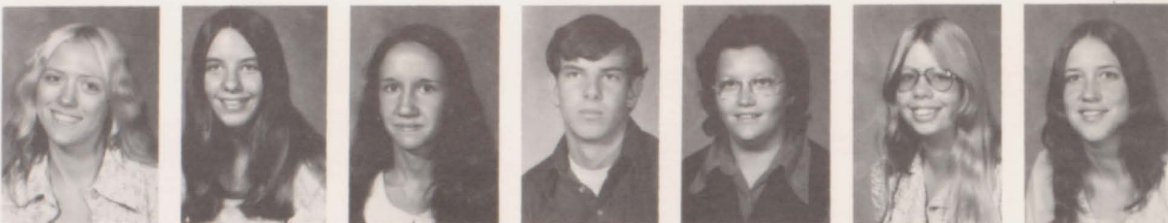
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 Victor Olds
 Dennis Painter
 Sarah Palmgren



Judy Parker
 Mike Parrett
 Robert Partridge
 Debbie Patires
 Steve Peterson
 Donnie Phillips
 Bill Pierce



Linda Piersee
 Cindy Piontek
 Donna Pitt
 Craig Pittman
 Debbie Poole
 Sherry Powell
 Elaine Powelson



Conversation has important place

Darlene Prather
 Dennis Prather
 Susie Pryor
 Rise Ragan
 Doug Rawdon
 Kellie Rew
 Rhonda Rhoads



Terrie Richardson
 Teresa Ritter
 Larry Robbins
 Sally Robbins
 Steve Robertson
 Phil Rose
 Kendalle Roudebush



Kevine Roudebush
 Tom Ryczek
 Mary Sallas
 Frank Sambol
 Scot Sanders
 Greg Sauceman
 Kim Sauer



Kathy Scantlin
 Jan Schelstrate
 Carol Schofield
 Don Schulz
 Lesa Scott
 Carla Scovill
 Monica Segrist





1 Juniors, Carla Scovill and Diane Alban, laugh to the antics that take place before class starts



Eilene Senter
Janet Service
Mike Seymour
Scott Sharitz
Rick Shaw
Linda Shelquist
Pam Shepherd



Susan Sherwood
Beverly Shields
Craig Shiflett
Donna Shirley
Nancy Shirley
Amy Short
Bill Silvers



Nick Simone
Tom Sims
Lynita Sinele
Mike Sinnett
JoAnne Sirna
Cathy Slaybaugh
Patty Sloan



Donnalynn Smalley
Brad Smallwood
Debbie Smith
Deena Smith
Jill Smith
Jim Smith
Jerry Soderstrom

Susan Soderstrom
 Kathleen Sovereign
 David Speiser
 Neal Spencer
 Mike Stahl
 Tom Stechmann
 Bob Stevens



Bill Stewart
 Chris Stock
 Suzie Stockton
 Cheryle Stokes
 Terry Stokes
 Jeff Sunderland
 Susan Swant



Bill Sweckard
 Donn Tarvin
 Rosemarie Tebbe
 Dave Thomas
 Kenny Thomas
 Mike Thompson
 Rick Thompson



Juniors have sad times also

Dave Thornhill
 Marilyn Tift
 Anita Tille
 Becky Toburen
 Cheri Traylor
 Margo Treadway
 Gerald Trimble



Tricia Troxel
 Dennis True
 Lorie Turner
 Fred Uhl
 Bob VanCamp
 Pam VanNatta
 Mike Verstraete



Valerie Vogliardo
 Cindy Walker
 Katy Wallace
 Lori Walton
 Mary Ward
 Susan Warman
 Danny Waters



John Watson
 Scott Watson
 Daniel Way
 Julie Weamer
 Mike Weathers
 Terri Weaver
 Gail Weber



Ron Weber
 Lorrie Webster
 Mark Weir
 Becky Wells
 Becky West
 Ron Whitaker
 David Whitted





Tom Wideman
 Chuck Wiggins
 Barbara Williams
 Debbie Williams
 Jay Williams
 John Williams



Terry Williams
 Nancy Williamson
 Bob Willis
 Rosemary Wilson
 Julie Winkler
 Rick Wolverton
 David N. Wood



David S. Wood
 Steve Wood
 Wade Woodson
 Glen Woody
 Kyra Woody
 Sherry Worst
 Dan Wurzer

In Memory of Mark Kevin Weir who died February, 1975.
 "He Who Truly Gives of Himself,
 Finds the Eternal Love of God."





GRADUATES



The 1975 graduating class fulfilled all expectations of accomplishment. Earlier successful fund raising years allowed a bountiful treasury balance which allowed them to limit their fund raising attempts to the Senior Class Play, *The Happy Time*, and the sale of Spirit Chains. These combined gave a total treasury of \$625.90. With all money problems out of the way the selection of the Senior gift was the only major decision the Senior class had to make as a group.

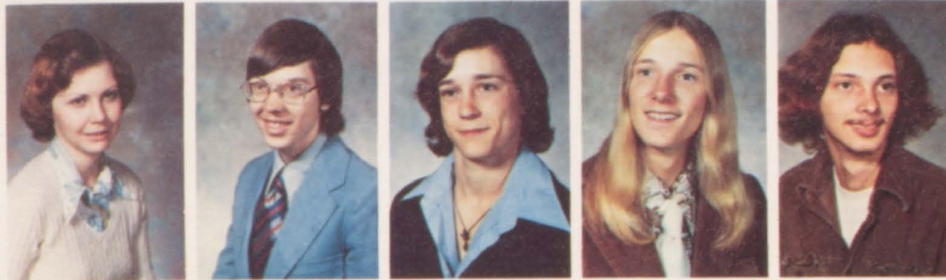
Many activities highlighted the close of the senior year. Most important of these were: Senior Night at Worlds of Fun, Baccalaureate, Senior week, and Graduation.

Leading the Senior class this year were President Brent Harness, starting at ground level, Vice President Steve Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer Cindy Hazell, and Sergeant-at-Arms Tom O'Donnell at the top.





Mike Ackerson
Kathy Adams
Fred Albertson
David Allen
Loretta Allen



Johnnie Ancona
David Anderson
Steve Armenta
Dugald Armstrong
Arlie Arnold

Reminiscing will bring memories



Shirley Asby
Diane Badalucco
Jerry Barker
Scott Barrett
Becky Bartels



Rodney Barton
Delores Bary
Marty Base
Steve Beamer
Bob Beck



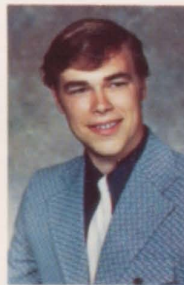
Becky Beilman
Jane Bell
Nereida Benitez
Richard Biermann
Cheryl Blades



Mike Ackerson takes a closer look at his wood project.

Seniors are ready for anything

Cyndi Bledsoe
Tom Bohn
Jim Boling
Vickie Booth
Linda Bower

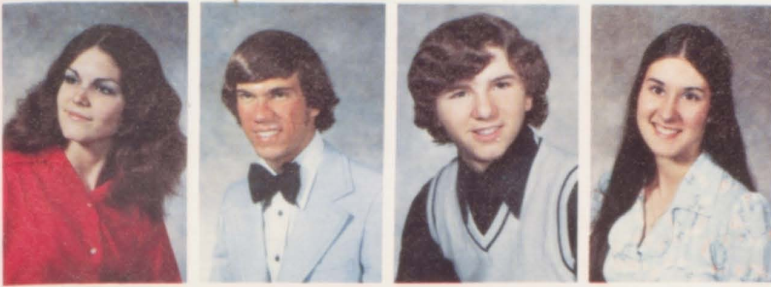


Barbara Bowman
Rick Bowser
Kathy Boydston
Gregg Braden
Mike Branson



Renea Brockman
Mike Buehrer
Peggy Buenham
Mark Bullock
Dan Burger





Donna Burris
Ken Calvert
Timothy Cardwell
Debbie Carleton



Candice Carpenter
Tony Carpowich
Barbara Carson
Betty Carson



Prom plans are discussed by Sandy Rinkert, Jan Wilson, Jaci Nordine, and Tom O'Donnell.



Gloria Carter
Lisa Carter
Susan Cassidy
Chris Castro
Juanita Castro



Chris Chambers
Joyce Chaney
Cheryl Christy
Dennis Churchill
Roger Clemmons

Mark Clouse
Charles Cobble
Cindy Collins
Phillip Colvin



Chris Condos
Dana Cooper
Doug Copeland
Jim Copeland



Senior class has crafty talents

Donna Corbett
Heidi Corbett
Brenda Corn
Mike Couch
Karen Cowden



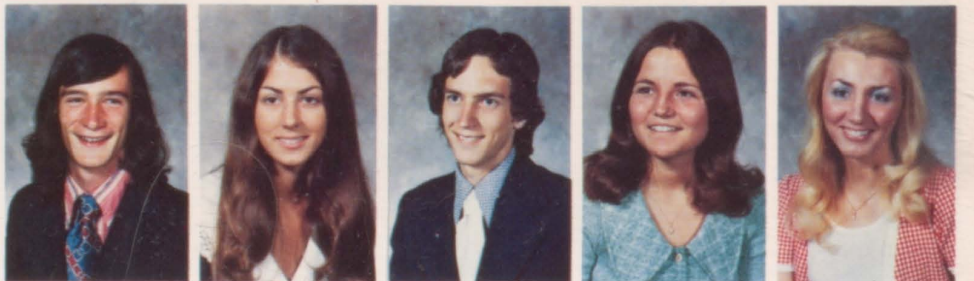
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Kennie Culp
Steve Cummins
Michael Cunneen
Phillip Cunningham



Zack Custer
Sherry Davis
Winona Davis
Judy Dawson
Doug Derry



Jack Dibben
Ann Dickson
Jim Dieckman
Janet Dixon
Nancy Dobyns





Gary Doss
Lorna Dougherty
Pat Drake
Kathy Duce
Ann Dudley



Barb Dunbar
Ginny Dunn
Dennis Dye
Tom Dye
Karen Eades



Joe Eapman
Linda Eberts
William Echols
Douglas Eckert
Ruthy Eggen



1 Jim Pennetti, Mike Santero, Mike Huonker,
and Phil Harmon work diligently on a group
project for crafts.

Robert Elliot
Stuart Elliot
Jay Elmore
Jeff Enloe
Cindy Estep



Kimberly Evans
Kathy Eversole
Rhonda Ewing
Bill Fanska
Dianna Farmer



Seniors start year with spirit

Laura Farmer
Steve Farris
Michele Fashion
Steven Ferguson
Forrest Feurer



Jeff Fickel
Ray Finley
Tim Fisher
John Fitzsimmons
Debbie Foerschler



1 After a cold winter Pam Wheeler, Barb Carson, Lisa Legg, and friends enjoy the on-coming summer weather in the courtyard.





Debbie Ford
 Mary Ford
 Martin Forsythe
 Jennifer Frost
 Susan Frye



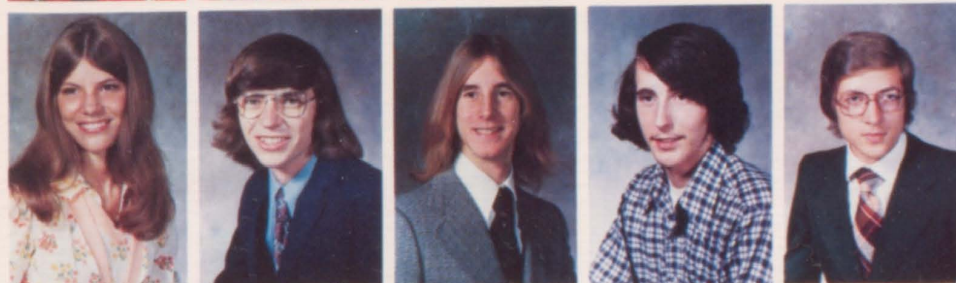
1 Steve Mc Candless shows Dana Haynes and Kyle Johanson the perfect book for his "term paper."



Rex Gabbert
 Francois Gacougnolle
 Teresa Gardner
 Jennie Garrison
 Rachelle Garoutte



Mary Geelan
 Joellen Gibbs
 Colleen Gilsdorf
 Becky Glass
 Terre Gorham



Kim Graham
 Donald Graves
 John Gray
 Bob Grooms
 Giancarlo Guadagnini

Jodi Gunter
Diane Gust
Timothy Haas
Tawna Hadley
Huynh Kim Hai



James Hale
Brenda Hampton
Doris Hanson
Connie Harbord
Phil Harmon



The last year always "flashes" by

Brent Harness
Lisa Hartman
David Hatfield
Curtis Haugen
Tim Hawkins



Chris Hayden
Larry Hayes
Paul Hayes
Brenda Haynes
Dana Haynes



Dennis Haynes
Cindy Hazell
Brenda Heath
Carolyn Henneforth
Scott Henson



Renee Hernandez
Suzanne Hertzog
Cheri Hetherington
Peggy Hill
Marty Hoffman





Photography class students use originality for a class assignment: Jan Wilson gets "took" as Cindy Seymour gets ready to "take."



Mike Hoffman
Paula Holding
Jan Honeck
Lee Hopkins



Larry House
Denise Howard
Jim Howard
Nancy Huck



Jim Hudlemeyer
Keith Hudson
Janet Hughes
Denise Hughey
Berdine Hull



Laura Hull
Rob Hulse
Chris Humbard
Mike Huonker
Vic Hurlbert

Pat Irving
Jody Jahrling
Janet James
Keith Jamison
Gary Jewell



Kyle Johanson
Steve Johnson
Cathy Jones
Michael Kahler
Andrie Kasherries



The five minutes allowed for class change gives NKC students a chance to discuss "Tommy," upcoming concerts, class happenings, Viet Nam, cars, dates.



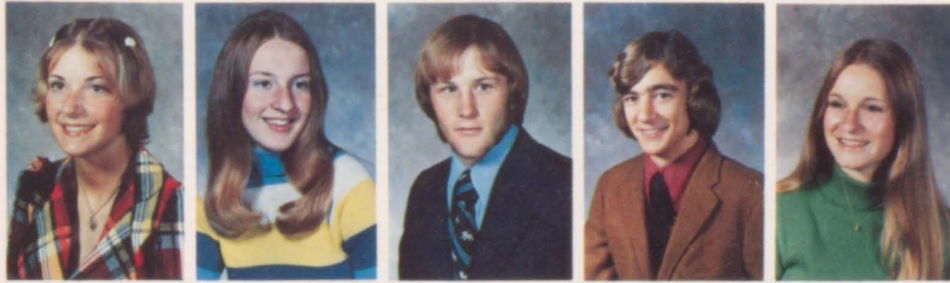


David Keen
Laurie Keen
Louise Keen
Steven Keith
Cindy Keltner

Class of '75 enjoys small-talk



Steve Keltner
Frances Kile
Rick Kirchoff
Carolyn Kistner
Margie Kithcart



Janice Koontz
Donna Jo Krohne
Dave Kuhnelt
Larry LaFave
Shelby Laningham



Carol Laramore
Mark Larrick
Mickey Lashbrook
Mitchell Lawson
Diane Laymon



Kathy Leeper
Sherry Leewright
Elisa Legg
Dinah Lemen
Debbie Leonard



Cindy Leslie
Martha LeTourneau
John Levensgood
Kevin Lindeman
Mike Long

Peggy Love
Susan Luckhurst
Susan Luke
Andy Lundberg
Steve Main



Patrick Manley
Rhonda Manlove
Elaine Marcel
Mario Marra
Kathy Marshall



Seniors know the use of time

Janice Martin
Larry Martin
Pamela Mason
Susan Mason
Patti Masonbrink



Bill Mathews
Steve McCandless
Denise McCarty
James McChesney
Rose McClanahan



Deleta McCloud
Penny McColloch
Anna McCoskey
Teri McGuire
Jacquelyn McPherson





Eddie McWilliams
 Michael Meade
 Kenneth Mendenhall
 Cathy Merry
 Sandy Messer



Linda Middleton
 Brenda Miller
 David Miller
 Barbara Moddrell
 Carleen Montoya



Relaxing moments in the courtyard make it hard to get back to class.



Lester Montoya
 Danny Moore
 Peggy Moore
 David Morningstar
 Vickie Morris

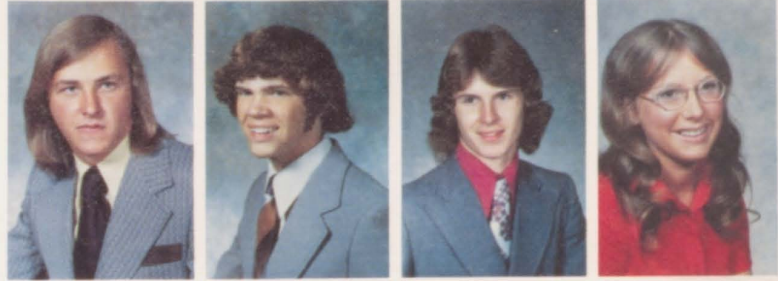


Dino Motta
 Mike Murphy
 Dale Myers
 Dan Myers
 Lisa Mynatt

Debra Nash
 Gary Neuwirth
 Glenda Newman
 Raymond Newton



Mitchell Niemann
 Brian Niemuth
 Michael Noland
 Debbie Norton



Seniors look toward the future

Kent Nugent
 Tom O'Donnell
 Cindy Owsley
 Linda Page
 Mike Painter



Kyle Palmer
 Jeffrey Parker
 Linda Pastori
 Jeannie Patton
 Jeff Paussa



Glenda Peace
 David Peacher
 Jim Pennetti
 John Pestok
 Charles Pignotti



Jim Pinkley
 Donna Pliker
 Jennifer Plumb
 Bill Pope
 Dorothy Porter

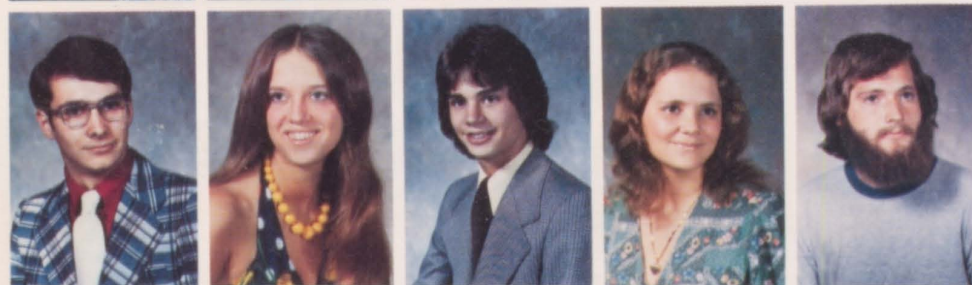




College-bound Kathy Thomas seeks information in the counselor's office.



Debbie Powell
Phil Quarles
Trilby Rahlfs
Mark Raines
David Raley



Marty Rankin
Melody Ratliff
Bill Reust
Lisa Rhoades
Steve Rich



Cheryl Riley
Sandy Rinkert
Gary Rist
Nena Roberts
Pamela Roberts



Mona Robinson
Steve Rockley
Debbie Roschke
Joan Rutherford
Vickie Rutherford

Belinda Rutledge
 Carol Rutledge
 Arthur Ryan
 Michelle Ryan
 Randy Saenz



Cousins Tom and Dennis Dye take an early morning walk between Industrial arts and main buildings.

Ronny Saenz
 Mike Santero
 Nancy Sapp
 Dianne Saxton
 Jo Schneegas



Joe Schneider
 Shawna Seidel
 Kathy Sevedge
 Cindy Seymour
 Debby Shea



Vickie Shelquist
 Diane Sheppard
 Pam Sherer
 Ned Shortess
 Bruce Sievers





Alisha Slough
Al Smith
David Smith
Kathy Smith
Scott Smith



Trent Smith
Renna Stallings
Teresa Stephens
Cyndee Stephenson
Jim Stewart

Seniors take last step in '74-'75



Karen Stock
Mike Stockton
Bud Stokes
Vickie Straub
Donna Stuber



Mary Sullins
Randy Swetnam
Rick Swope
Danny Taylor
James Taylor



Lucia Teng
Mary Tennison
Karen Thomas
Kathy Thomas
Stephanie Thompson



Dave Thurston
Linda Tichenor
Michael Tift
Becky Timbrook
Cindy Tinker

Julia Tomme
 Evelyn Tournoy
 Harvey Townley
 Susan Trickey
 Allen Tupper



Upcoming events cause many discussions

Cindy Turnbull
 Mark Valencia
 Howard VerWeire
 Jim Vielbig
 Michael Waddell



Sherryl Waldon
 Billy Wallace
 Daniel Ward
 Jeff Ward
 Martha Ward



Don Waskonsky
 Marshall Watts
 Kathy Webster
 Kevin Wehner
 Jeff Weir



Connie Welch
 Madonna Wells
 Vicki Werner
 James Whaley
 Mitch Wheeler



Pam Wheeler
 Glenn Whiston
 Bob Whitaker
 Donna White
 Barbara Wiesen





Larry Wilber
Connie Wiley
Anita Wilkerson



Glynn Wilkerson
Charley Williams
Linda Willis
Camille Wilson



Jan Wilson
Debi Winkler
Don Withington
William Wood
David Woodson



Tom Woody
Bruce Wormington
Connie Yeater
Kay Zink
Matt Matheney



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Enjoying the nice weather, Glenda Peace and Donnie Withington sit out in the courtyard discussing the evening's events.



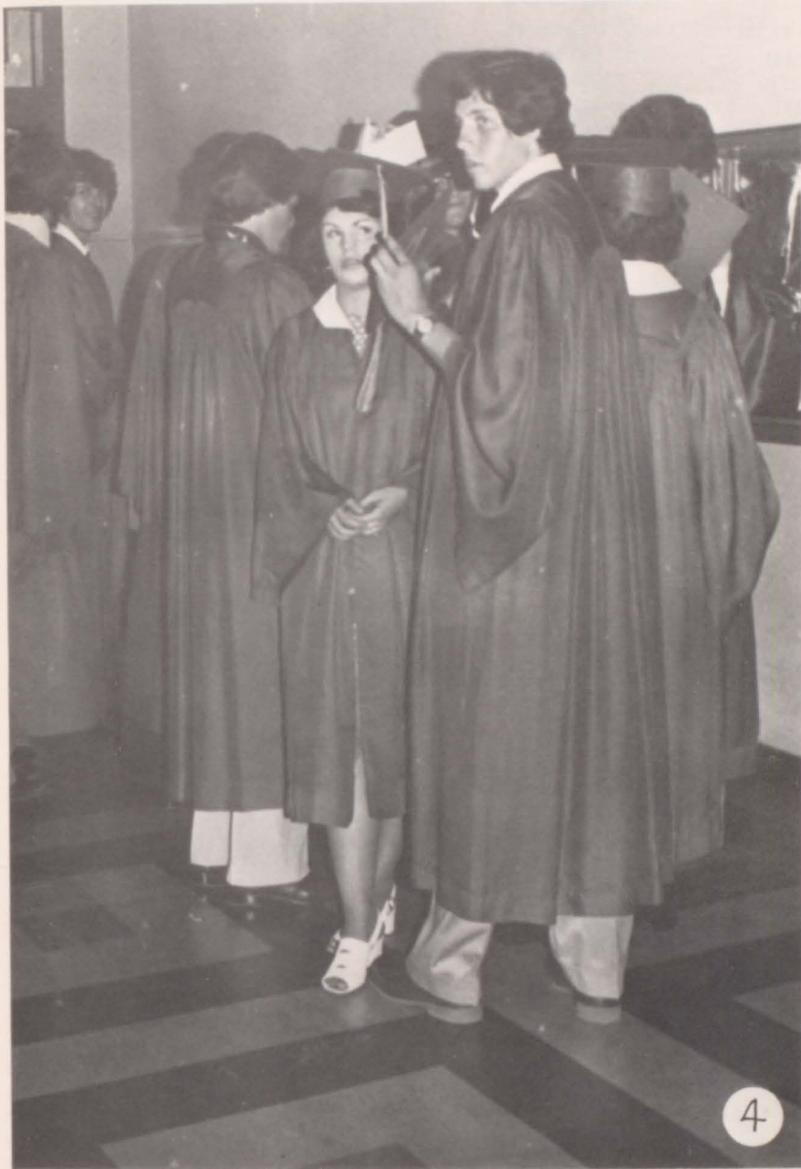
Graduation ends year



On the evening of Thursday, May 29, 1975, North Kansas City High School held its fifty-fifth annual graduation exercises. The fieldhouse was the setting of the event which began with Mr. Patrick White directing the Concert Band for the processional. The invocation was given by Debra Winkler, and Brent Harness gave the Senior class gift presentation. The class decided their money would be best spent on a spotlight for the drama department, a painting of the school done by a professional artist, and fans for those classrooms without any.

- 1 Mr. Jerry Diehl directs traffic.
- 2 Serenading the graduates was A Cappella.
- 3 Graduates line up for diplomas.
- 4 Glenda Peace and Don Withington await commencement.
- 5 Mr. Robert Johanson, school board member, presents Dave Woodson with his diploma.
- 6 Mr. Arthur Mallory delivers his speech.
- 7 Brent Harness discusses the senior class gift with the class of 1975.





The speaker was Dr. Arthur L. Mallory, Commissioner of Education for the state of Missouri. Diplomas were presented to the senior class of 1975 by Mrs. Frances Foerschler and Mr. Robert Johanson, school board members and parents of graduating seniors. The benediction was then delivered by Jeff Weir. The evening concluded with the singing of the Alma Mater by Mike Stockton.

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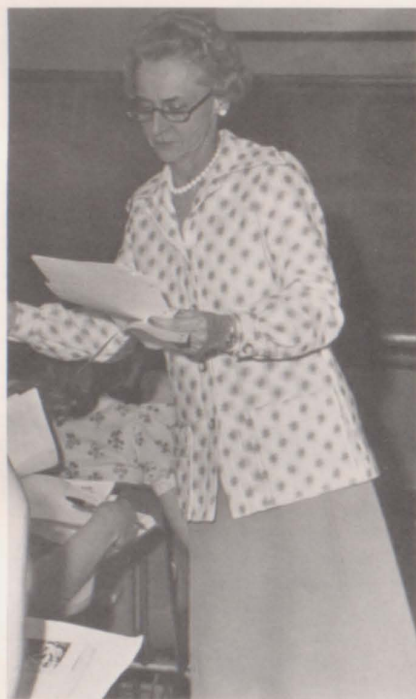
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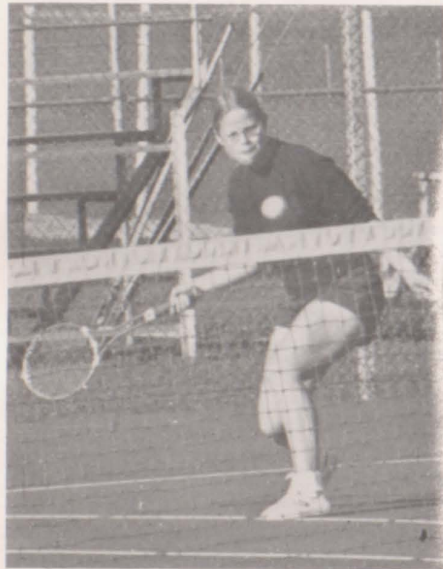
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Graduation Lament

In about a week to the day we graduate;
To this school we come no more.
This our goal of the last twelve years,
Is what we've been waiting for.
The days were laced with fun and games
Along with growing up;
We developed a personality—
We've had to measure up.
Not only to tests and teachers—
Had to make it with our peers;
And now that the struggle is over,
Some of us feel like shedding tears.
We're going to miss our classmates
And the teachers' constant calls
We're going to miss the notes and such
We passed along the halls.
But with the diploma comes a sad
Thought growing inside of me
Our adolescent years are gone
We must now face reality.

Grace Layne

(adapted by Cindy Seymour and
read at the Awards Assembly)



If progress may be expressed in terms of growth, we could say North Kansas City High School has made progress during its 50 years of existence. In 1917 our high school first appeared on the accredited list of Missouri High Schools. At this time there were twenty students enrolled and three teachers offering two years of high school work. Our school now consist of 1400 students, 48 teachers and 147 courses. We've come along way.









