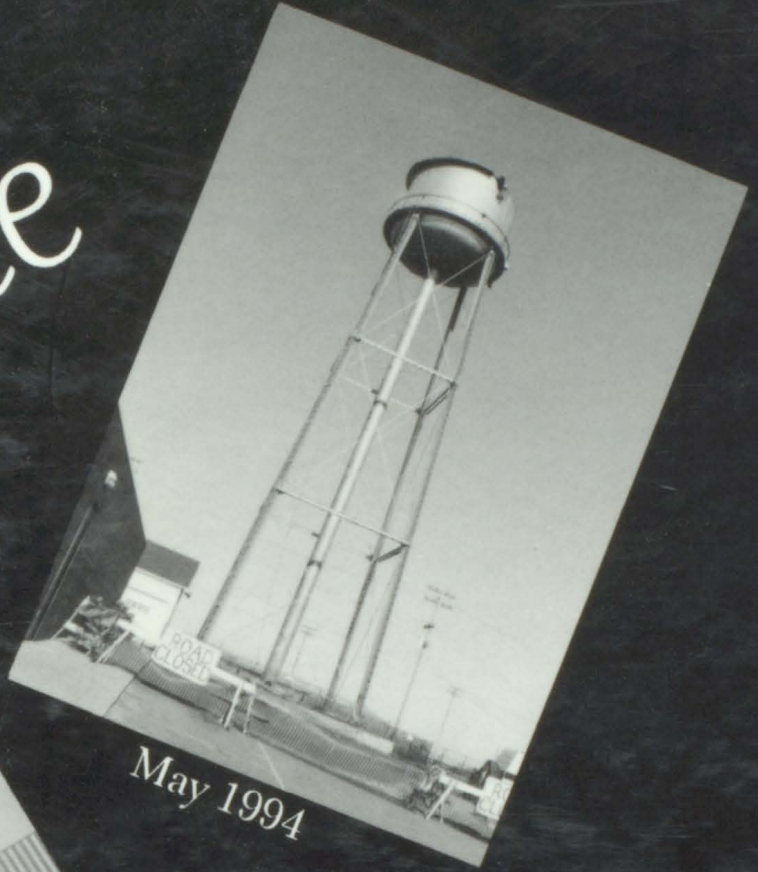


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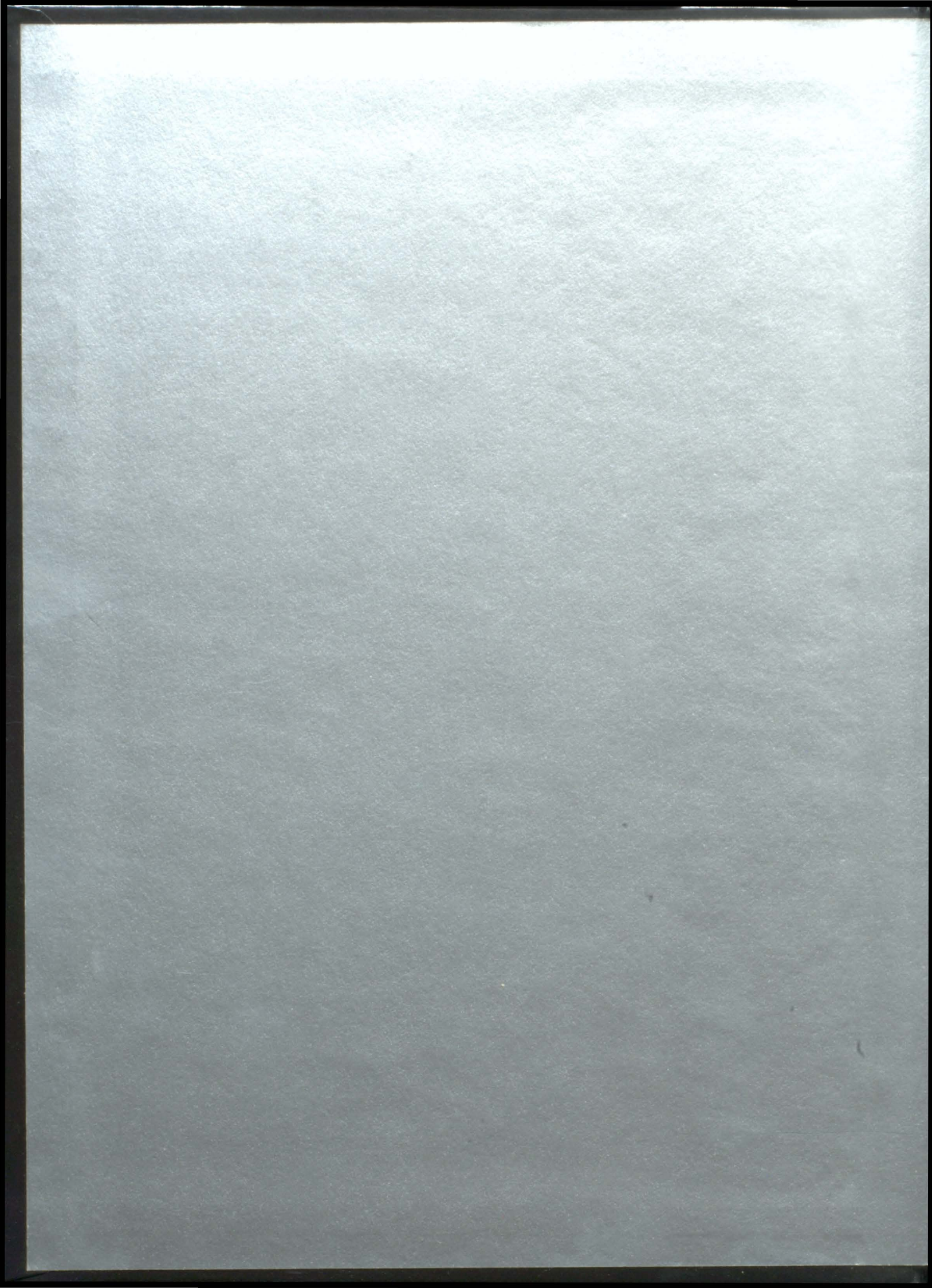


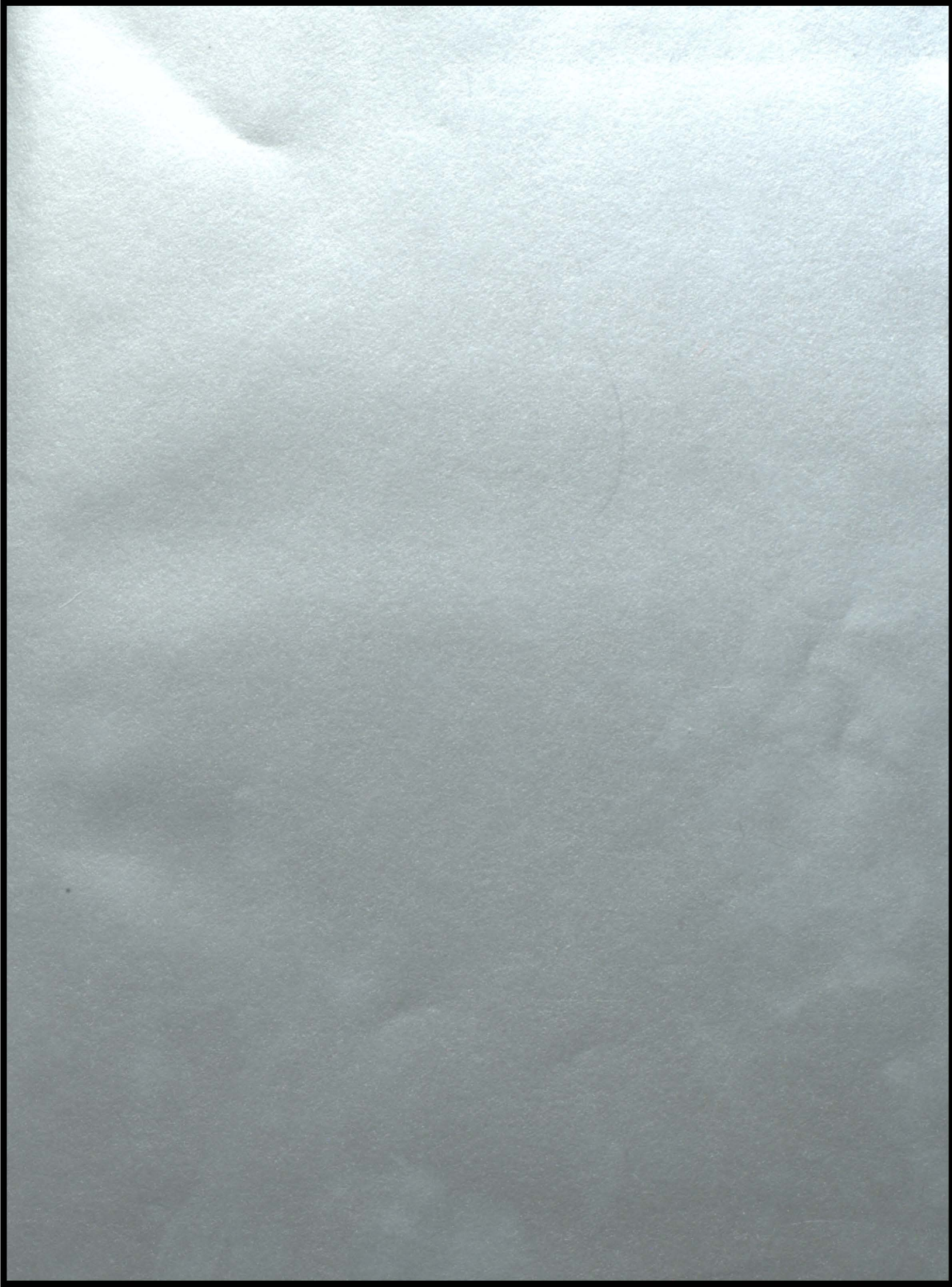
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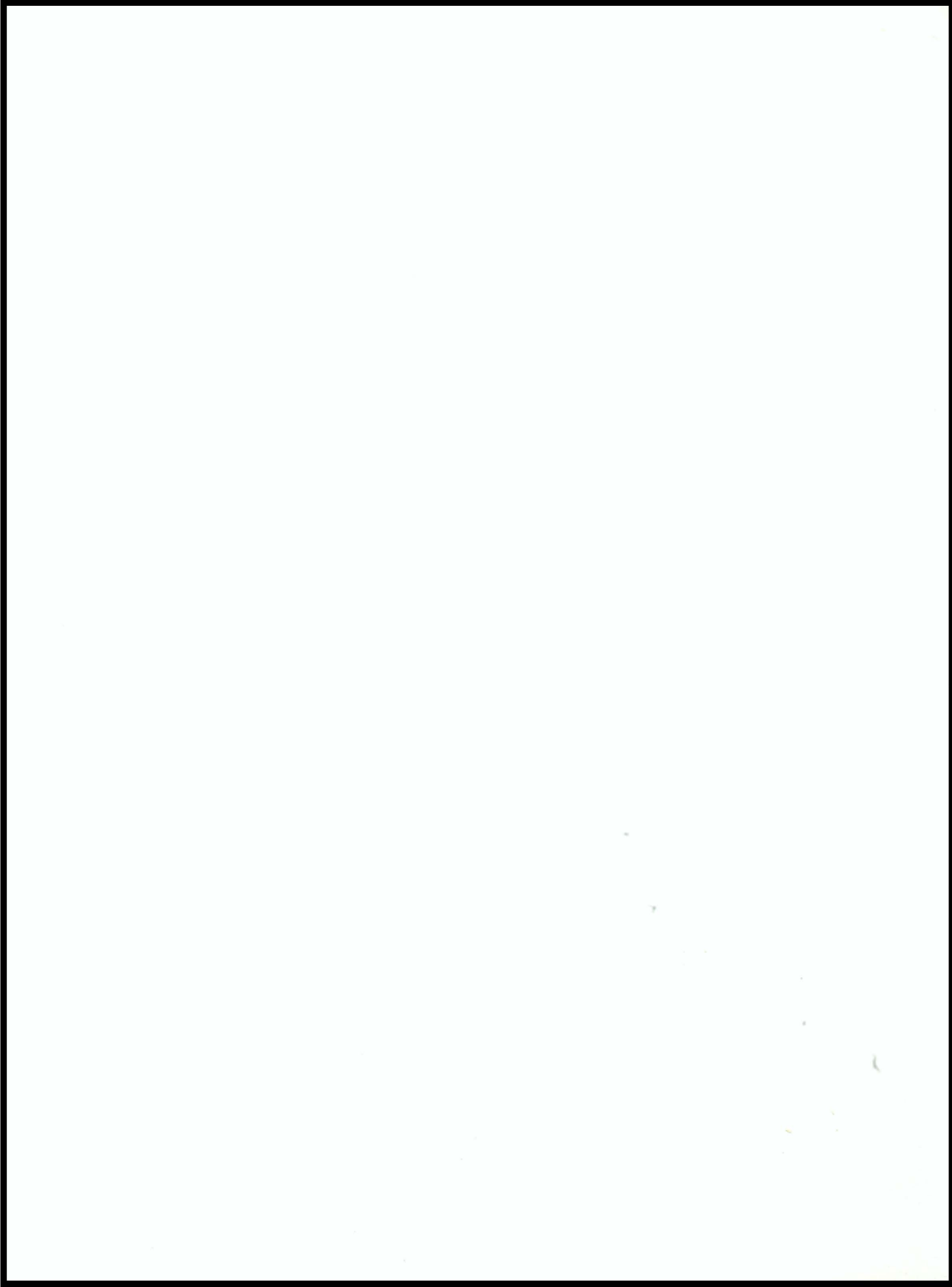


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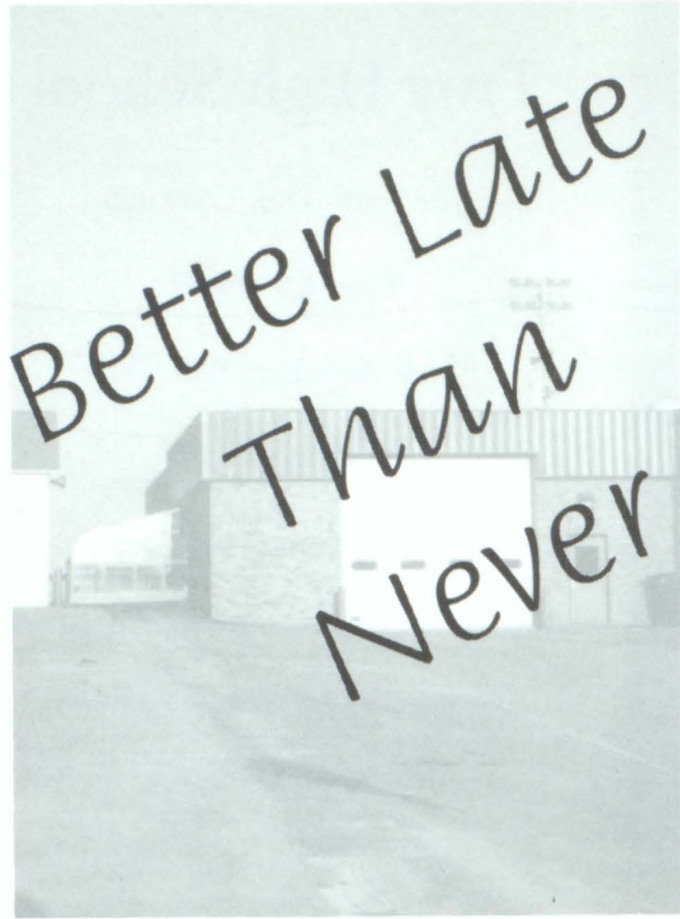
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**Glen Gronniger's 1963 Chevy, July 24, 1992.** Glen got the truck in 1991 and he and his father, August (Gus) Gronniger, restored it using parts from a Chevy and a Pontiac transam, thus giving it the nickname "Cheviac." Glen's fellow classmates often heard Glen saying, "It's almost done!" or "It'll be finished this year," but year after high-school year passed, and it wasn't done. Glen and Gus finished the truck in the Spring of 1995, which proves that some things are better late than never. Photo by Amy Gronniger.



Working on their wood projects in the Industrial Arts room, located in the new building, are Bill Falk, Thad Eyer, Damon Shelton, and Zach Benitz. The students were not able to work on their wood projects until the building was completed in December. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



Caring for the tomato plants in the new greenhouse are Roy Thornton and April Feek. The tomatoes were raised and sold by the agriculture students to the community. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.

# Construction reshapes learning

A new school year had begun. New hopes, new goals, and new aspirations were on the minds of every student and teacher. Changes were happening everywhere, especially with the new construction.

Throughout the summer construction crews were busy at

THS. A new building was going up and changes were being made to the old building. Many citizens enjoyed watching the water tower being disassembled one piece at a time by one man and his wife. The water tower was taken down to make room for the new building.

Some of the changes included moving the Spanish room into the top floor of the main building where the English room was last year. The English room was then moved downstairs into the old band room. The art room was moved to the old cafeteria.

The part of the school where the ag room, art room, and shop room were once located was transformed into a weight room, cafeteria, and band room. A new building was designed and built behind the middle school for the agriculture and shop classes. This building was supposed to be completed in August but was finished around December.

All these changes took longer than once proposed, so students, faculty, and staff learned the art of patience. *Better late than never.*

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**Construction, once started,** moved along very quickly. This shows the beginning stages of work on the ag and shop classes. Photo by Darrell Wapp.



**Moving and replacing** the lunch tables so that the floor could be mopped was a job for Tim Twombly and Bonnie Mitchell, janitors. They are in the cafeteria which was one of the new additions to the school. The new buildings created a lot more work for the two. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



**Carefully creating** a pot with clay is Megan Miner in the new art room. With the new room, the art department received a kiln for making pottery. The art room is now located where the old lunch room was. Photo by Mandy Robinson.



**Working in the new and much larger Ag. room** are April Feek, Jamie Schmidt, Thad Eylar, Annie Jensen, Jeremy Grable, Bill Falk, and Mr. Darrel Wapp. The students watch closely as Mr. Wapp and Bill work with welding materials. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.

**Almost done!** The building is in its final stages. The only thing missing is the greenhouse glass. Photo by Darrell Wapp.

**A new counselor's office and conference room** were built in the area that used to be the weight room. Ms. Charlene Brookover enjoys the needed new space. A hand rail was added to make the room handicap accessible. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



The completed Industrial Arts and Ag. building sits beside the crowd's nest near the football field. Construction was not completed until December, putting a standstill on the projects that students were waiting to begin in the building. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.

Cleaning up after a busy lunch crowd are cooks Margaret Sutton, Chloe Winder, and Grace Christenson. The cooks' new kitchen came with a larger storage room and serving counter and new tables for the students. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



What is that odd formation? The water tower was dismantled over the summer months. For the older generations this brought back memories from their younger days. Photo by Darrell Wapp.



The new Industrial Arts room gave much needed space to students working on projects. Bill Falk, Thad Eylar, Damon Shelton, and Zach Benitz are trying to complete their projects before the end of school. A drafting classroom sits next door. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.

# Better Get Active

Dodging defenders while pushing for the first down is Brady Jasper during the Highland district football game. Photo by Keith Hinds.



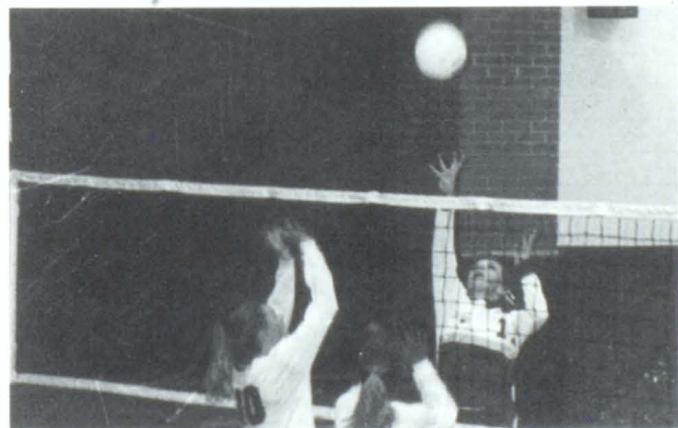
About to discover the real Harrison Day in the fall play are Mandie Loroff, Nikia Rosenberger, Ryan Geiler (the phony Harrison Day), Glen Gronniger, Andrew Clary, Andy Branlage (the real Harrison Day), Noelle Oyler, and Becky Boaz. Photo by Delinda Rosenberger.

# *Busy doesn't even begin to say it*

Leaves quietly falling to the ground, the warm sunshine gradually changing to cool, brisk winds, and the earth softly preparing for winter are what everyone thinks of when they think of fall. Things weren't that quiet at THS though. From volleyball, cross country, and football, to the fall play and Homecoming, fall was definitely not calm. You better get active at THS.

The year had just started and the students were excited about

Trying to calm their nerves before the Homecoming crowning are Glen Gröniger, Traci Simmons, and Brook Luedke as Mandie Loroff wishes them "Good Luck." Photo by Lindsay Christenson.



Reaching up to "dink" the ball is Lindsey Rosenberger as Midway defenders prepare themselves on the opposite side of the net. Photo by Keith Hinds.

learning and living.

"Cross country was quite an experience. We reached pretty much all of our goals," stated Bryan Salisbury, state winner.

Jason Dishon explained about his overall view of football, "The season overall wasn't what I expected it to be but on the toughest week of practice no one gave up."

"Overall we had a pretty good volleyball season, and I can't wait till next year," exclaimed Sarah Boeh, freshman.

"The play was really great because everyone worked hard and worked together," commented Julie Nett, part of the crew for the fall play.

Fall was a time of change and having fun at THS in 1994. Copy by Crystal Penny



Pushing themselves on are Travis Jenkins and Bryan Salisbury. Travis and Bryan proved to be each other's toughest competition as they traded medaling places throughout the year. Photo by Wanda Jenkins.



# Trojans take care of business

"Takin' Care of Business" was an appropriate theme for the '94 volleyball season. The Lady Trojans had a season of ups and downs with a record of 19-13.

The Trojans started the season with a lot of determination and hope and didn't let up throughout the year. The team consisted of fairly large numbers and a great amount of ability.

Head Coach Cheryl Koelsch stated, "We had a lot of underclassmen who had never played varsity step up and play a major or supporting role on the team. The upperclassmen also stepped up to play to the best of their ability. . . It was a good season; we accomplished a lot of things; it was also the furthest we have ever gone in a season since I have been here."

With a record of 7-2 the ladies tied for first place in the Delaware Valley League. In the Troy Tournament the ladies placed second, losing to Centralia, who has been a tough competitor the past few years.

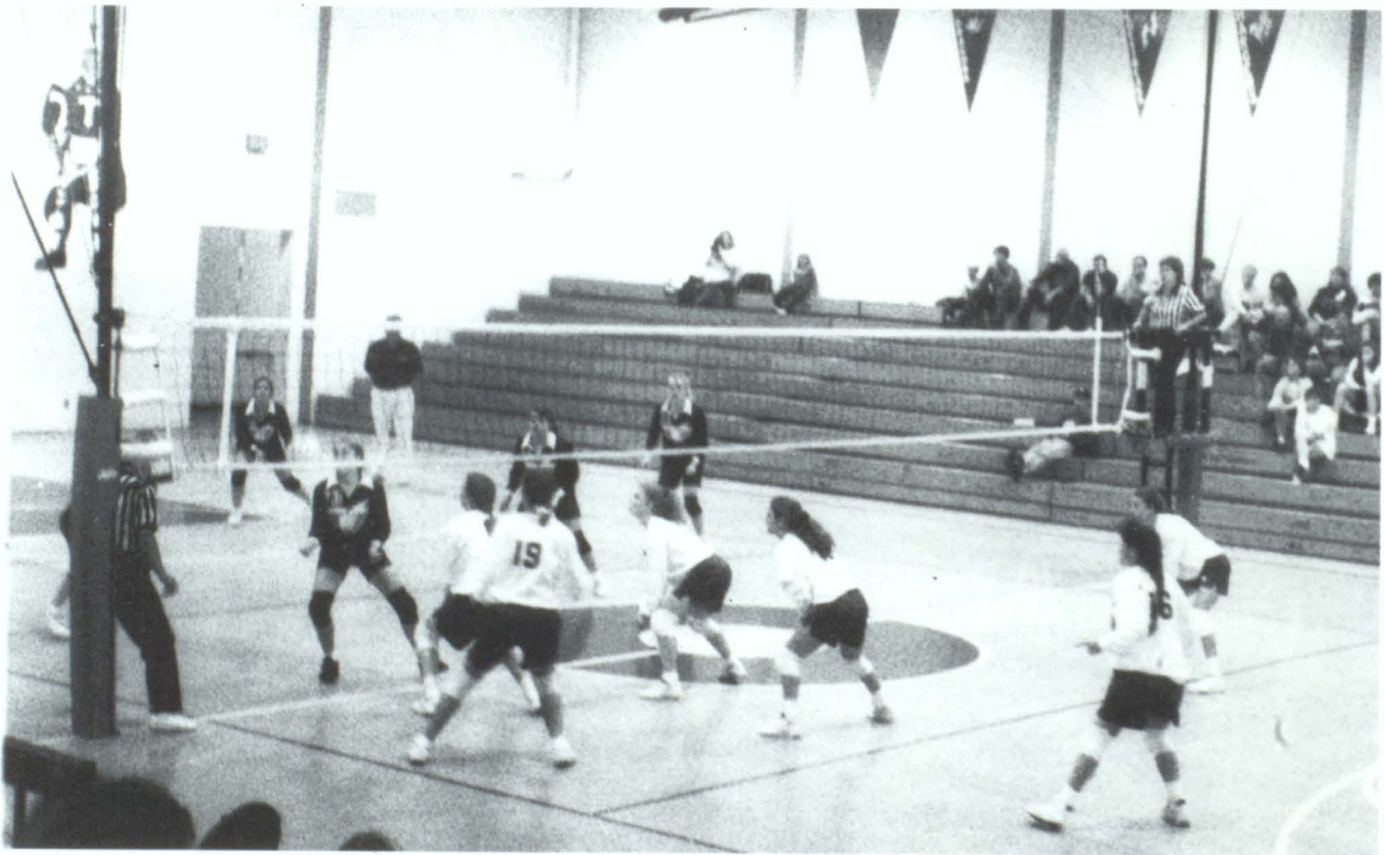
The Lady Trojans had three players selected for the 1994 Delaware Valley League selections.

Among these three was senior Nikia Rosenberger. She commented, "It really made me feel good to know that coaches in the league felt I did well enough to get this honor. Volleyball was very frustrating for me because missing five weeks at the beginning because of having mono held me back. As well as we did at tournaments made it worth it and being selected put the icing on the cake."

The two others were senior Emily Erpelding and junior Amy Moore. "Three players on league team tied with the most Troy has ever had," explained Ms. Koelsch.

With a young team the ladies will be ready next year for competition. Considering this season Lacey Thomas commented, "I think we had a really good season considering our competitors, and of course there is always next year to become even better."

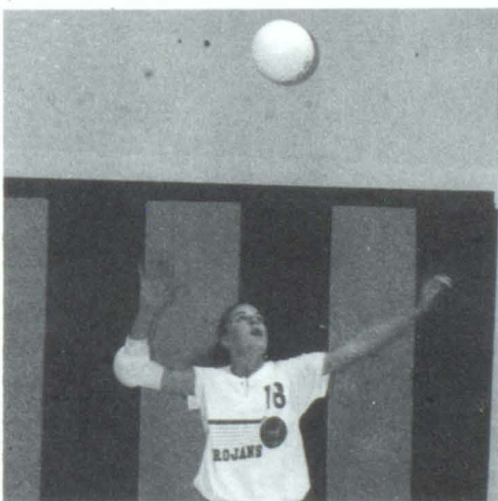
The amount of desire and support from the fans helped the ladies accomplish many things. Their ability was a big factor that helped them get second place in the sub-state tournament. *Copy by Lindsay Christenson*



The Lady Trojans fall into formation preparing to block the spike coming from Centralia, in the Troy Tournament. With their hard work the ladies placed 2nd. Photo by Tabitha Gibson



The 1994 Lady Trojan Volleyball team, Front Row: Jamie Christenson, Karen Oyerly, Nikia Rosenberger, Jennifer Engemann, Amy Moore, Brook Luedke, Lacey Thomas, Emily Erpelding, and Annie Jensen. Row 2: Assistant Coach Lisa Wiedel, Errica Stanton, Julie Nett, Kelli Simmons, Renee Scholz, Jill Wiedmer, Lindsey Rosenberger, Kelly Dishon, Regina Huff, and Head Coach Cheryl Koelsch. Row 3: Nicole Kinsey, Katherine Robinson, Mandy Simpson, Sandi Nelson, Sarah Geiger, Christy Gibson, Amy Keller, Jessica Stanton and Sarah Boehl. Photo by Bray



Jennifer Engemann uses the best of her ability to get the ball over the net. Photo by Travis Jenkins



Emily Erpelding and Brook Luedke receive a trophy for 2nd place in the Troy Tournament as Nikia Rosenberger and Head Coach Cheryl Koelsch look on. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.

## SCORECARD

Nodaway Holt 10 - 15, 5 - 15  
 Midway 13 - 15, 15 - 4, 15 - 13  
 Midway 15 - 10, 15 - 3  
 Oskaloosa 15 - 8, 13 - 15, 13 - 15  
 Jefferson County North 15 - 12, 15 - 3  
**Regular Season Record 3 - 2**  
 Highland 15 - 6, 15 - 7  
 Jackson Heights 15 - 13, 15 - 12  
 Oskaloosa 15 - 17, 15 - 13, 14 - 16  
 McLouth 15 - 8, 15 - 1  
 Wathena 15 - 8, 15 - 1  
 Valley Falls 15 - 11, 15 - 10  
 Jefferson County North 12 - 15, 8 - 15  
 Pleasant Ridge 15 - 6, 15 - 5  
 Horton 15 - 8, 15 - 10  
**DVL Record 7 - 2 1st Place Tie**  
 Royal Valley 5 - 15, 8 - 15  
 Jackson Heights 3 - 15, 15 - 12, 10 - 15  
 Valley Heights 2 - 15, 3 - 15  
 B & B 13 - 15, 4 - 15  
**Highland Tournament 0 - 4**  
 South Holt 15 - 9, 15 - 4  
 Wathena 15 - 13, 15 - 7  
 Centralia 2 - 15, 7 - 15  
 Highland 15 - 9, 16 - 14  
 Centralia 15 - 8, 15 - 10  
**Troy Tournament 3 - 2 2nd Place**  
 Horton 13 - 15, 15 - 17  
 McLouth 14 - 16, 15 - 8, 15 - 8  
 Pleasant Rodge 15 - 5, 15 - 5  
 Oskaloosa 17 - 15, 15 - 7  
 Jackson Heights 9 - 15, 16 - 14, 12 - 15  
 Highland 15 - 4, 15 - 9  
**DVL Tournament 4 - 2 3rd Place**  
 Valley Falls 15 - 5, 15 - 3  
 Jefferson County North 15 - 6, 12 - 15, 15 - 6  
 Valley Heights 3 - 15, 3 - 15  
**Sub-state Tournament 2 - 1 2nd Place**  
**Final Season Record 19 - 13**

Lindsey Rosenberger, Jennifer Engemann, Kelli Simmons, and Brook Luedke prepare to receive the ball. Photo by Keith Hinds.



# Depth of roster strengthens team

The 1994 Trojan football season was very exciting in the beginning. Troy had one of the fastest teams that it had ever had, in terms of 40-yard dashes. They also had a great deal of depth in the roster in terms of back-up players. The year before the Trojans had been the 2A district #1 Champions.

"We had very high expectations for the season in the beginning, coming off our District championship last year and having so much talent on the team. We knew what we wanted to achieve, but we just couldn't seem to get the job done when it came down to the brass tacks in the situations when we needed to do our best," stated senior Travis Davies.

Junior Zach Benitz reflected, "I think that this year we got too far ahead of ourselves. We knew we had talent and instead of concentrating on winning like we should have, we just took it for granted that we would win and ended up not winning."

Senior Gary Stamper reflected, "This year was not the greatest year that I can remember, or that I have even played in for that matter. We worked hard, most of the time anyway, but for most of the season we just shot ourselves in the foot by giving them the ball, or by not getting the first down on third and one."

"My fondest memory would have to be the week of practice that Coach Cash was trying to get all of us to quit; it was heck; all I know is that I don't want to

ever go through a week like that one again any time in my entire life, I'm not complaining or anything, but that was the toughest thing that I believe that I have done in my entire life, and I think that most of the players will agree with me that they have learned from history."

"This year, well, let's just say that it could have been better than it was, and it should have been. We were a team that was full of talent, and we had a lot of depth to fall back on. We also had a full team of players that were good. Not only did we lose the tough games, but we lost the ones that should have been a walk in the park for us to win. The bottom line is we should have won more often but that's life," commented junior Craig Scholz.

"My favorite memories of the year are a toss up. One was the comedy award, the time at Horton when I tripped over the curb while we were running out onto the field. It would not have been so bad, but I was the first one in line, and they even announced it over the radio.

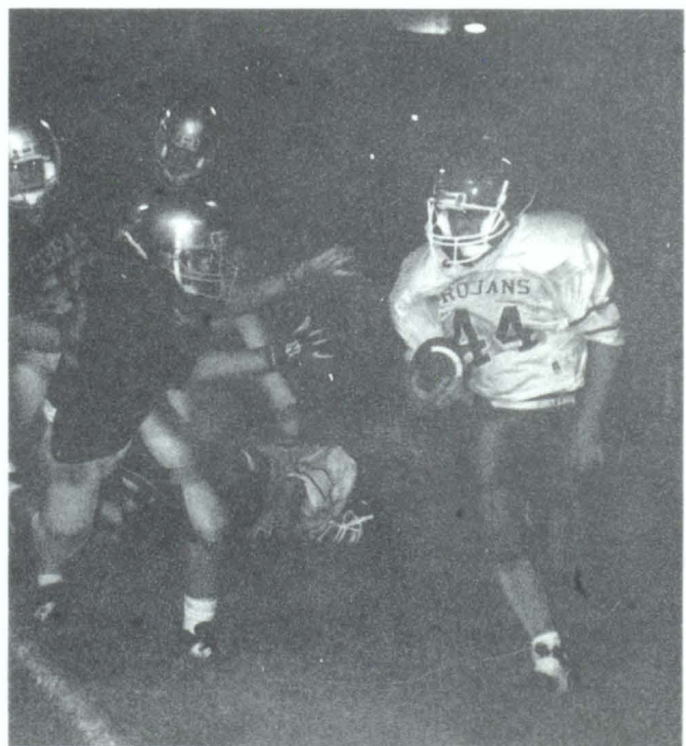
"For the greatest hit of the year, that award would have to go to Zach Benitz for the Homecoming game against Valley Falls. It was so awesome, even though the guy didn't cough up the ball, he was totally and completely unconscious," recalled junior Bryan Salisbury. *Copy by Shane Peden*



The Cobras face off the Trojans. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



The Trojan defense in action. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



Brycen Wiedmer rounds the corner. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



**The 1994 Trojan football team**, prepared for a promising season. Row 1: Joel Ashburn, Patrick Stamper, Brady Jasper, Gary Stamper, Josh Ruhnke, Brycen Wiedmer, Jason Dishon, Travis Davies, Bryan Salisbury, and Zach Benitz. Row 2: Heath Whetstine, Michael Grable, Keith Hinds, Brandon Pierce, Damon Shelton, Benjy Cook, Craig Scholz, Travis Jenkins, Clinton McNemee, and Gabe Durr. Row 3: Kirk Jamvold, Aaron Davies, Tito Martinez, Shawn Lane, Larry Huff, Andrew Clary, Sam Reust, Brad Johnson, and Adam Clary. Row 4: Dallas Keller, Tim Uplinger, Ardy Franken, Jaylon Ashburn, Willie Clary, Tyler Whetstine, Kyle Thomas, Jeremy Prawl, Jared Cash, and Corey Costman. Row 5: Coaches Bruce Reynolds, Darrell Wapp, and Don Cash.



## SCORECARD

# US

# THEM

6	Jackson Heights, 30
13	Pleasant Ridge, 19
0	Oskaloosa, 18
0	Horton, 18
33	Valley Falls, 12
0	McLouth, 32
8	Centralia, 27
7	Highland, 0
6	Wathena, 29

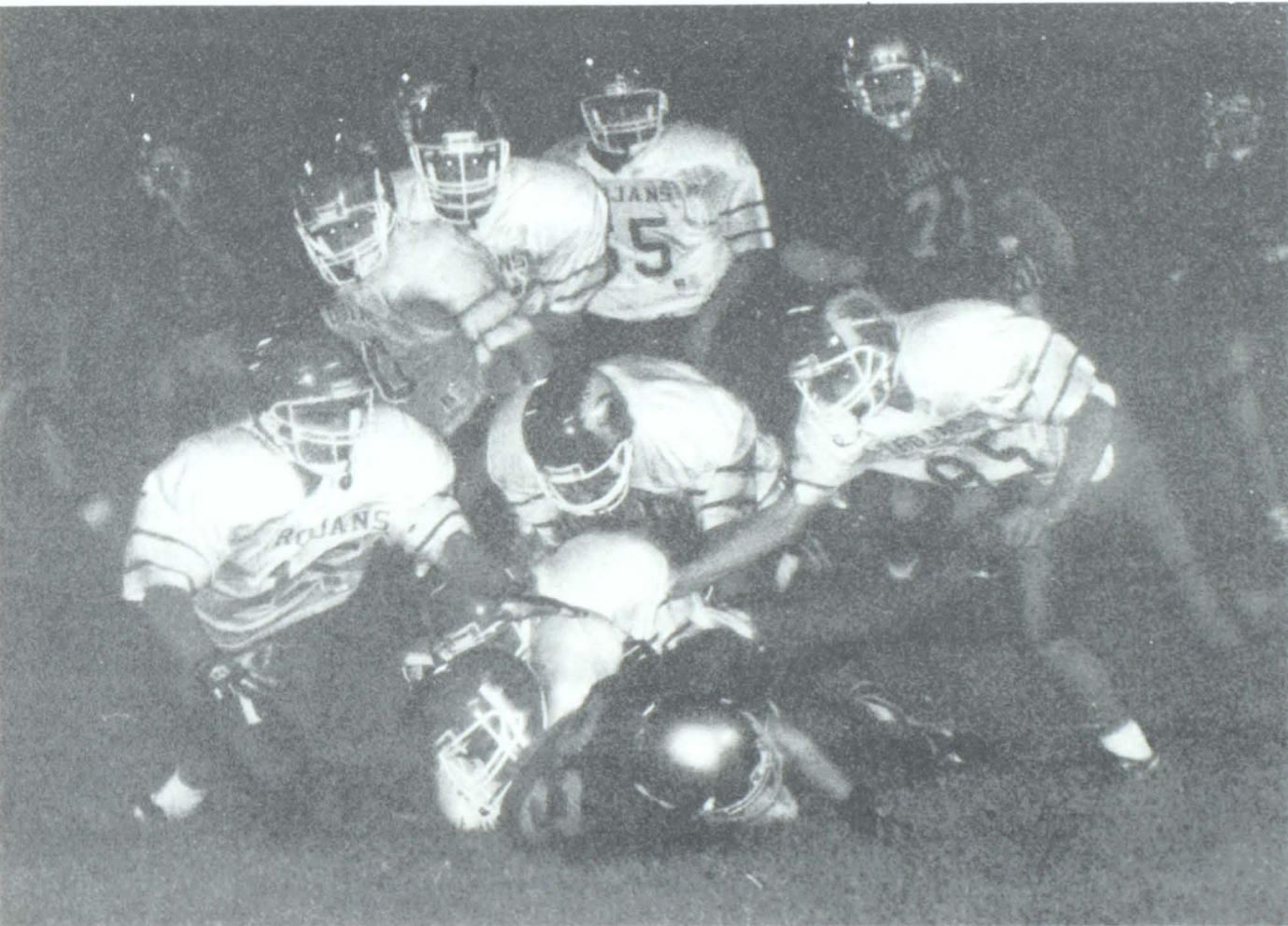
### All-League Selections

Brady Jasper - first team  
Brycen Wiedmer - second team

### Honorable Mention

Brandon Pierce  
Benjy Cook

Brady Jasper - All State Honorable  
Mention



The 1994 season had a lot of ups and downs, for both teams involved. This Cobra learned the hard way. Photo by Jennifer Engemann



**The 1994 Trojan Harriers after another successful season.** This year was the largest team that Coach Bond had seen in a long time. Row 1: Willie Clary, Jared Cash, Glenn Gronniger, Sam Reust, and James Huss. Row 2: Regina Huff, Nicole Kinsey, Jennifer Engemann, Lindsey Rosenberger, and Sarah Boeh. Row 3: Coach Tom Bond, Larry Huff, Bryan Salisbury, Travis Jenkins, Adam Clary, and Shane Peden.



## SCORECARD

Best times for the season: Boys

(3.1 miles)	
Glen Gronniger	18:56
Travis Jenkins	17:01
Bryan Salisbury	16:54
Shane Peden	19:17
Sam Reust	19:45
Larry Huff	20:18
Adam Clary	20:12
Willie Clary	21:28
Jared Cash	21:07

Best times for the season: Girls

(2 miles)	
Jennifer Engemann	15:39
Lindsey Rosenberger	15:47
Regina Huff	16:12
Nicole Kinsey	16:17
Sarah Boeh	14:42

First team All-League

Bryan Salisbury

Travis Jenkins

All-County

Bryan Salisbury

Travis Jenkins

Sarah Boeh

Lindsey Rosenberger

Jennifer Engemann

State Results

Bryan Salisbury- 5th

Travis Jenkins- 11th



**Junior runner Travis Jenkins** tackling the course at Sabetha during the Regional meet. Photo by John Peden.



**Regina Huff passing by.** Photo by Shane Peden.



**Larry Huff charges the hill.** Photo by John Peden.





# Coach Bond brings team victories

The 'Trojan Harrier boys' started out the year with a great deal of optimism. In the 1993 season the team had qualified for the state cross country meet in Wamego with a total of only six team members, four of whom were returning this year. There were also five new team members to round out the total number to nine athletes.

The girls' team, on the other hand, started with Regina Huff, but soon grew to include Sarah Boeh and Nicole Kinsey, and finally at the league and Jackson Heights meets also included Jennifer Engemann and Lindsey Rosenberger.

The boys' team, after having beaten both Jackson Heights and Centralia at the Jackson Heights meet, placed fifth at the regional meet in Sabetha and failed to qualify for State. However, two boys, Bryan Salisbury and Travis Jenkins did qualify for State as individual runners, and Salisbury took eighth, and Jenkins eleventh.

The girls' team, which only existed for two meets, had a strong showing at the league meet at Pleasant Ridge, and at the Jackson Heights meet, which was also the county meet.

The cross country team this year was under the direction of a new coach, Tom Bond. He had coached distance in track the year before, and had

also coached cross country at Troy in the past.

Under the direction of Coach Bond, the workouts for the cross country team were harder than they had been the previous year. Later in the year the hard work that the team had put in paid off in some of the best times the individual runners had ever run.

"I think that when we went to State last year, that put a little too much pressure on this year's team to win, and in the end resulted in some people being too nervous to run well at the regional meet. I also think that the team had the potential to finish in the top five or six at the State meet, had we been able to overcome this problem. This year the practices were much tougher because Coach Bond actually ran with us, but it was still about the most fun I have had in practicing for a sport in my life," stated junior runner Bryan Salisbury.

"The year on the whole was very exciting; we had a very talented team, and we had a great coach. We had a lot of fun together, and this was a great way for me to spend my first year in cross country," reflected freshman Adam Clary.

Freshman runner Sarah Boeh remembered, "My favorite memory from this cross country season would have to be beating the Jeschke girls. The whole year was a lot of fun and Coach Bond made it very fun during practice." *Copy by Shane Peden*



Harrier Coach Tom Bond shouts out his instructions to junior runner Travis Jenkins mid-race at the regional meet. Photo by John Peden



# Homecoming sparked spirit

Excitement and nerves filled the stomachs of the ten candidates, as the Homecoming ceremony began at 7 P.M., September 30.

The candidates, Emily Erpelding, Brook Luedke, Crystal Penny, Nikia Rosenberger, and Traci Simmons, along with their fathers, were driven around the field in convertibles. Then, they were joined by their escorts Travis Davies, Glen Gronniger, Brady Jasper, Gary Stamper, and Brycen Wiedmer.

Gary Stamper and Nikia Rosenberger were recipients of the medallion and crown. The crown bearers were Drew Grable and Matthew Doolan. The flower girls were Whitney Morgan and Laura Tharman.

"Shock is about the only word to describe the state I was in after they announced the winner. I was a nervous wreck and my knees were shaking, but when Gary switched the flowers and everyone was laughing, the tension was broken. It was really weird having everyone fuss over all the candidates all week, but it was a lot of fun and a week I'll never forget," commented Nikia.

"I thought it was pretty neat, because I didn't think I would get it and I did," was Gary's reply, when he was asked how he felt about being named Head Escort.

Homecoming was filled with activities, starting with

the bonfire held the Saturday before. It kicked off the week with cheers and music provided by the cheerleaders and band. After the cheering was over, everyone was encouraged to roast hot dogs and marshmallows over the blazing fire.

The school week started with lazy day on Monday; Tuesday was sunglasses and hat day; Wednesday was college T-shirt/sweat shirt day; Thursday was twin day; and Friday was blue and white day.

The classes had a window painting contest on Main Street. Each class painted their own windows showing their spirit for Homecoming. The winner of the contest was the freshman class.

A parade through town on Friday sparked even more school spirit. The parade consisted of the band, cheerleaders, pep club, cross country and football teams, and the candidates. The cheerleaders float was judged as the best. An enthusiastic pep rally followed the parade.

After the defeat of the Valley Falls Dragons 33 to 12, the dance began. It was held in the new cafeteria, and it was decorated with balloons and streamers and the windows were painted. The theme for the dance was *Far Behind*, and the colors were black, purple, and green. The dance lasted until midnight, with the entertainment provided by D & K Productions from Topeka. It was a great end to a terrific week. Copy by Traci Simmons



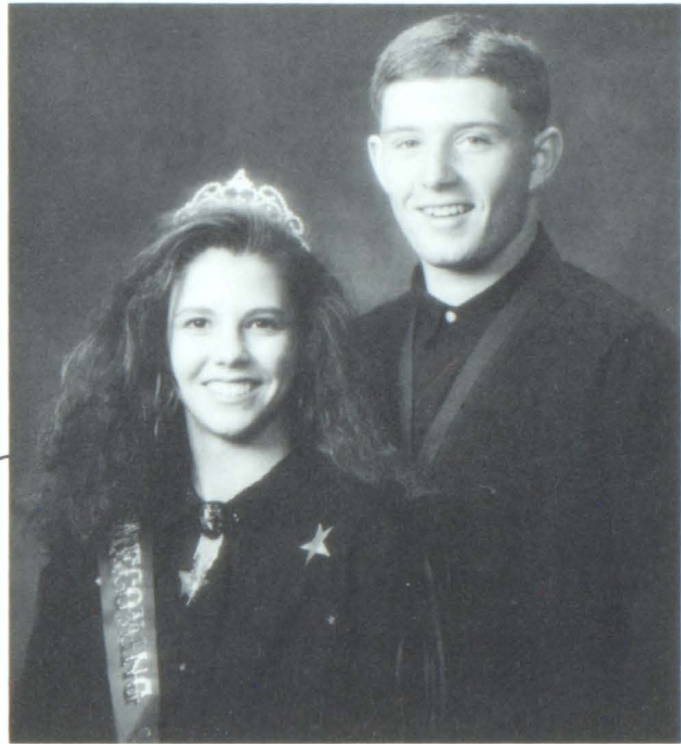
Traci Simmons, Brycen Wiedmer, Crystal Penny, Brady Jasper, Nikia Rosenberger, Gary Stamper, Brook Luedke, Glen Gronniger, Emily Erpelding, Travis Davies, and the flower girls Laura Tharman and Whitney Morgan, and the crown bearers Drew Grable and Matthew Doolan all stand before the crowd as the Homecoming ceremony comes to an end. Photo by Barb Luedke



Starting off the Homecoming ceremony are Tabitha Gibson, Candy Higley, Mandie Loroff, Noelle Oyler, Renee Scholz, and Bobby Milbourne, the Trojan mascot. Photo by Lindsay Christenson



The Queen and Head Escort for Homecoming 1994. Nikia Rosenberger and Gary Stamper. Each was very active in many extra-curricular activities. Photo by Bray



Decorating for the Homecoming dance are Sandi Nelson, Nicole Kinsey, Sarah Geiger, and Lacey Thomas. Photo by Lindsay Christenson



Riding on the Pep Club float through the Homecoming parade are Taryn Schmidt, Chris Adkins, Jamie Wykert, Staci Schultz, Jill Wiedmer, Kelly Dishon, Kelli Simmons, Lindsey Rosenberger, Mandy Robinson, and Lacy Thomas. Photo by Wilma Williams

## Do you think homecoming helped improve school spirit?

"Yes. Everyone got involved with the kick-off bonfire, the window-painting contest, and the ceremony," commented Mandy Robinson, junior.



"Yes, because everyone was a little down because of our losing streak," stated Travis Jenkins, junior.



"Yes, because the pep club and cheerleaders helped support the team," commented Amy Keller, freshman.



**Making someone** look their character is an important part of the play. Nicole Kinsey is in the process of adding fifty years to Noelle Oyler's appearance. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



**"You can go** to Hollywood and be a star," says Penny (Nikia Rosenberger) to Mavis (Becky Boaz), much to the liking of Harrison Day (Andy Brumlage). Photo by Delinda Rosenberger.



## What was the funniest part of the play?



*"When Mandie was chasing Glen out of the room and rammed him into the door," said sophomore, Nancy Mitchell.*



*"When Ryan took Tabitha's sweater and wore it on stage. She was looking for it everywhere and couldn't find it," laughed freshman Christy Gibson.*



*"When I was walking out and I dropped all the boxes then forgot all my lines," exclaimed freshman Sarah Boeh.*



**Members of the fall play cast are:** Front row: Sarah Boeh, Mandie Loroff, Becky Boaz, Nikia Rosenberger, and Ryan Geiler. Back row: Jared Cash, Sarah Geiger, Shane Peden, Glen Gronniger, Noelle Oyler, Karen Oyerly, Andrew Clary, Andy Brumlage, Kelly Dishon, Renee Scholz, Regina Huff, and Tabitha Gibson.



"I don't want to be an actress. I want to have a little farm and raise chickens with you!" exclaims Sally (Sarah Geiger) to Mark (Shane Peden), surprising Gram (Noelle Oyler) and her agent Norman (Jared Cash).



## *Troy High School goes Hollywood*

Stars in her hair...stars in her eyes: all the characters wanted to be the star in this year's fall play, *Don't Take My Penny*, by Anne Coulter Martens.

In this comedy set in the 1940's, Penny Pringle (Nikia Rosenberger) is ready for fame. She just knows she is the one to play the coveted part of Dimity West in a new picture called *Stars in Her Eyes*. Her best friend, Joanna (Mandie Loroff), helps her keep reaching for her dream, while her boyfriend, Kerry (Ryan Geiler), and his friend, Greg (Glen Gronniger), go to great extremes to keep her at home.

Penny isn't the only one in the Pringle household with ambitions to play the part of Dimity West. Sally (Sarah Geiger), the maid, is a former child star and her agent, Norman (Jared Cash), thinks this is the perfect part to get her back into show business.

When Harrison Day (Andy Bramlage), the casting agent, comes to the Pringle's home, Penny and Sally each realize there are more important things in life and don't want the part after all. The one you would least expect is the one who got the part: Mavis (Becky Boaz), Penny's older sister.

Other cast members included Andrew Clary

Shane Peden, Karen Oyerly, Noelle Oyler, Kelly Dishon, Tabitha Gibson, Regina Huff, Renee Scholz, and Sarah Boeh.

There were many memorable events that happened this year during the play. For some, this was speaking in French, Southern, and lisp accents.

"I thought the play was great. Doing a Southern accent was a lot of fun. I can't wait till the spring play. I had a blast!" exclaimed sophomore Renee Scholz.

Hair and make-up is an important part of putting on a play. Making the actors and actresses look their part is not always an easy task.

Sophomore Lindsey Rosenberger commented, "Doing make-up for the play is fun because you get to do things with it that you wouldn't do for real life. I had a really good time making Glen into a girl."

Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey directed the play and the annual after-play party was at her home. They ate a lot of food and watched a video of the play.

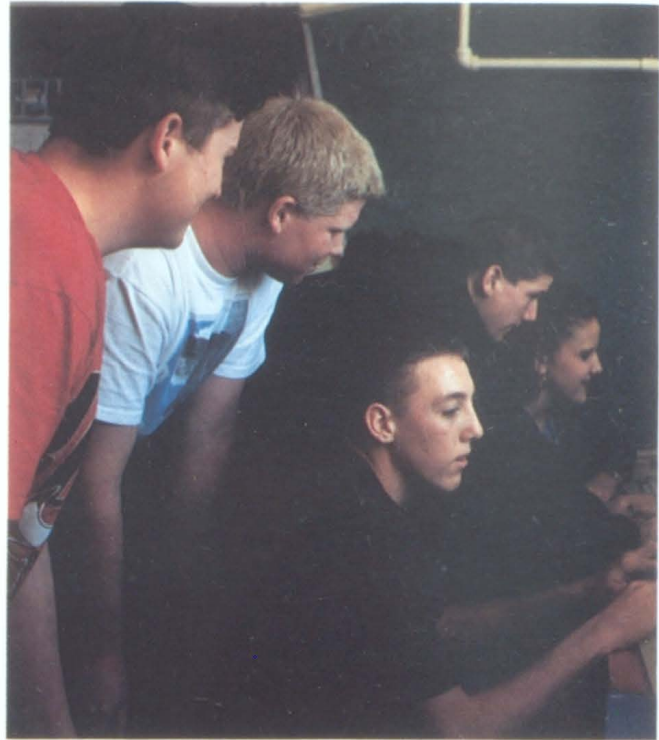
"We stayed so long that Mrs. Rockey finally had to kick us out so we go home. It was great!" exclaimed sophomore Regina Huff.

The play wasn't all fun and games. It was a lot of long hours and late nights put in by the cast that proved to be well worth it. Copy by Candy Higley.





**The server is down!** Bobby Milbourne and Corey Kostman wait as Heath Whetstine, Glen Gronniger, and Lacey Thomas work on the new computers in the publications room. These computers were on a different network than that of the rest of the school and were the only ones that would operate when the rest of the computers were down (which they often were). Photo by Nikia Rosenberger



**Hanging out behind the rail** in the new gym are Larry Huff, Gary Stamper, Clinton McNemee, Damon Shelton, Nathan Penny, Tito Martinez, and Eric Donaldson. With the new cafeteria by the new gym, students were allowed to use the new gym over the lunch hour. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



# Each class says they are the best

**People:** The people of Troy High School were definitely unique. From unusual fads to clubs that benefit the community, the people of THS made a difference. Being yourself was what it was all about.

Each class had its special characteristics.

"The freshman class has good athletic ability and we work hard to maintain good grades," said Bobby Milbourne.

"Different. That's how I would describe the sophomore class. We

**Heading towards publications class** are Glen Gronniger and Brook Luedtke. Only juniors and seniors are eligible for the publications course. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger



**Last at the lunch table** are Chris Hoverson and Jenny Ford. Due to one lunch period this year, the freshmen usually found themselves hurrying to finish lunch before the next class started. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger

have a major variety of people. And since different is good the sophomores must be the best," explained Larry Huff.

"Even though we are all different types of people, most of us get along with each other. But a lot of us just don't want to grow up. We got a lot of partying left to do! You ain't seen nuthin' yet," commented Brandon Pierce.

"The senior class is unique because we get along so well together and we're the oldest," said Becky Tharman.

Diversity was the focus of students at THS. At THS "Better Be Yourself" was how each student lived. *Copy by Crystal Penny*



**Preparing for speech activities** are Nicole Kinsey, Christy Gibson, and Mandy Simpson as Mrs. Rockey fills the students in on rules and dates. Speech is an activity that combines students of all ages. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger



'I tawt I saw a puddy tat!'

## *Cartoon clothing is new found hit*

From Mickey Mouse to Bugs Bunny to Tweety Bird, you could always see your favorite cartoon character somewhere in Troy High. The cartoon clothing definitely was a very popular type of clothing that students could be seen wearing from head to toe.

Mandie Loroff commented, "I like wearing my Mickey Mouse shirt because it's comfortable and it reminds me of my favorite cartoon."

In the past you only saw boys wearing hiking boots, but not any more. The hiking boots have become a very popular type of shoe for girls.

"They're very comfortable and a good addition to your wardrobe for winter," commented Jamie Schmidt.

NFL starter jackets were also high on the list of fashions. Students could show off their favorite team and keep warm at the same time. There is almost any team imaginable to pick from and they cost close to \$100.

Heath Whetstine stated, "They're very warm for

winter and are a good way to show who your favorite team is."

Sweater vests proved to be hot also. Students wore colored vests ranging from forest green to navy blue with shirts ranging from long underwear material to bodysuits.

Annie Jensen said, "You can wear them with almost anything and still be in style."

The popular rugby shirt was still in style too. They are worn by both sexes to sport a dressy but comfortable look for any season.

Glen Gronniger explained, "They're a good way to dress up and still look cool on game days."

Miss Cheryl Koelsch also commented, "Besides being very comfortable, they still look dressy even if you leave them untucked."

There were so many different people in THIS that many different tastes were shown. So if individuals wear something that doesn't appeal to you, remember they're just being themselves. *Copy by Lacey Thomas*



Students expose their favorite cartoon. Seated: Jennifer Engemann, Jamie Wykert, Kristina Drake, Nancy Mitchell, Aaron Clary, Bobby Milbourne, Willie Clary, and James Shelton. Standing: Tabitha Gibson, Renee Scholz, Kami Bamthson, Pat Drake, Lacey Thomas, Mandy Robinson, and Amy Moore. Photo by Bray



**Starter jackets start new trend.** Front Row: Dallas Keller, Nicole Kinsey, Zach Bentiz, and Katherine Robinson. Second Row: Mandy Simpson, and Mandy Robinson. Photo by Bray



**Students model the new style sweater vest.** Front to Back: Lacey Thomas, Annie Jensen, Nikia Rosenberger, Jamie Wykert, Christy Gibson, Lindsay Christenson, Jennifer Engemann. Renee Scholz, Andy Bramlage, and Mandy Robinson Photo by Bray



**Hiking boots hike up fashion pathway.** Front to back: Brook Luedke, Emily Erpelding, Jennifer Engemann, and Jamie Schmidt. Photo by Bray

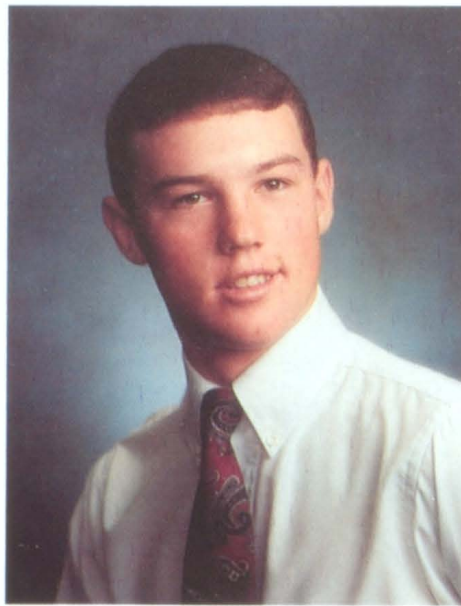


**Showing off their rugby look.** Front Row: Jamie Schmidt, Emily Erpelding, Brook Luedke, Jennifer Engemann, and Amy Moore. Row 2: Staci Schultz, Tabitha Gibson, Renee Scholz, Mandy Robinson, and Lacey Thomas. Row 3: Regina Huff, Mandy Simpson, Katherine Robinson, Nicole Kinsey, Jamie Wysert, and Sherry Duncan. Photo by Bray

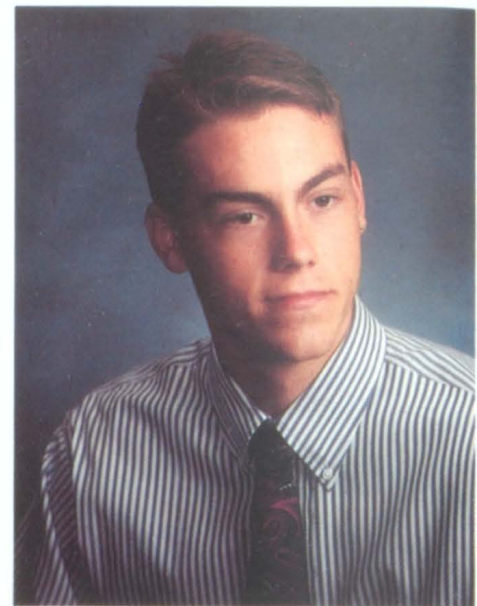




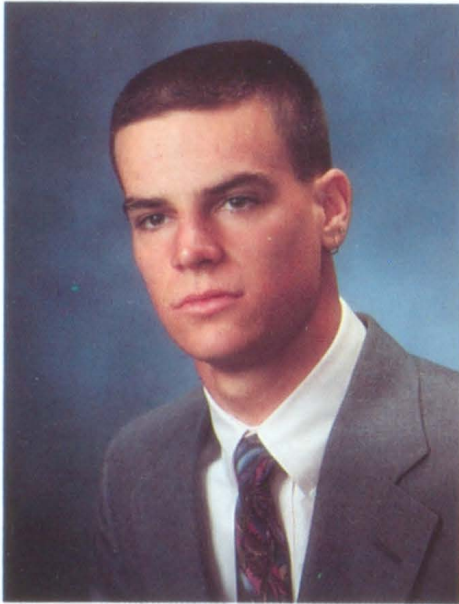
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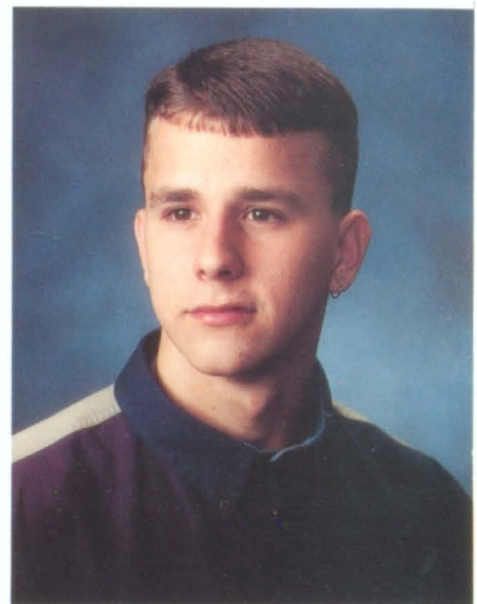
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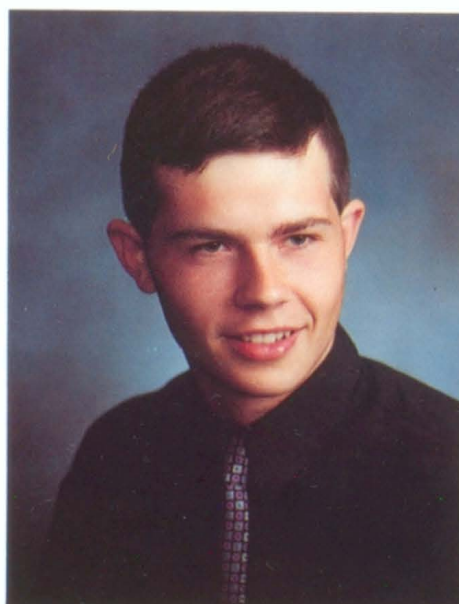
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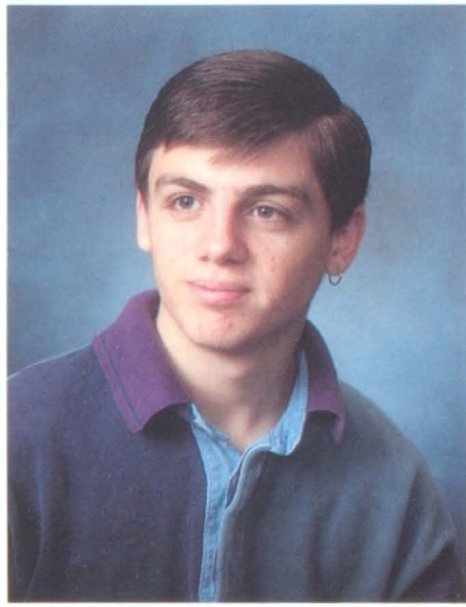
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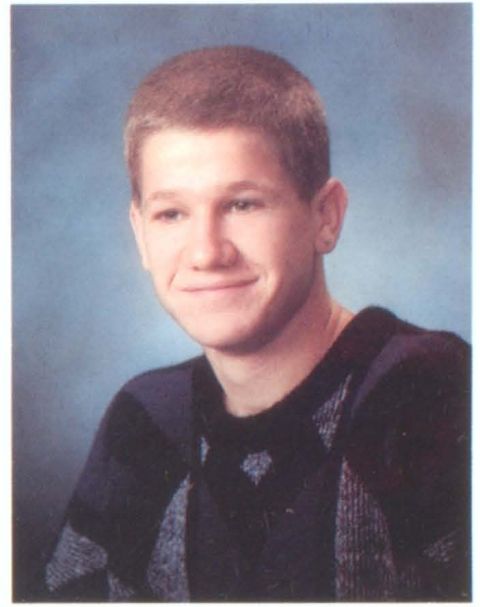
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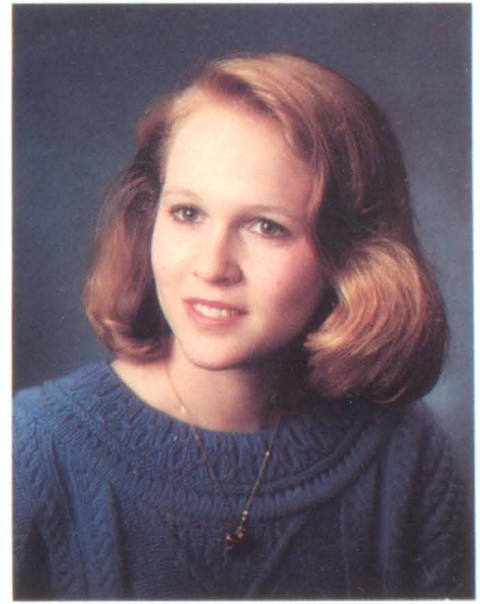
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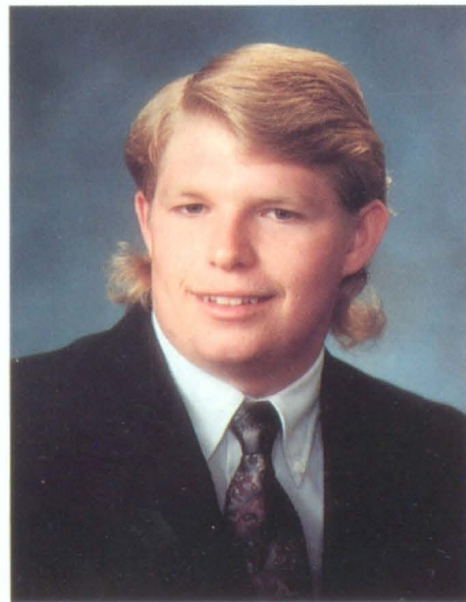
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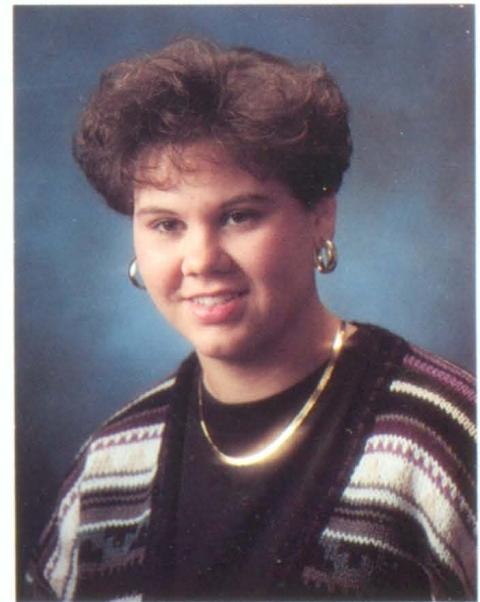
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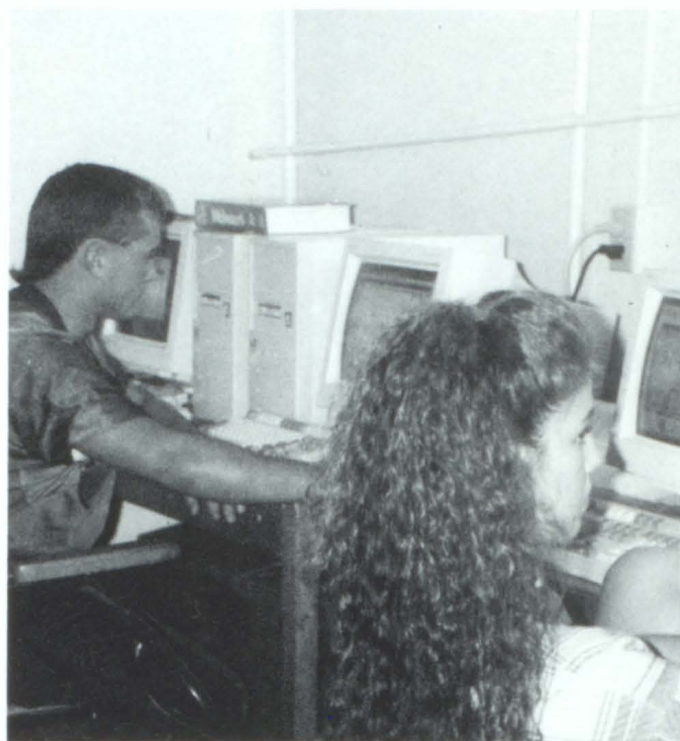


*Traci Annette Simmons*

Heading out to scout other basketball teams on their night off are Brady Jasper, Heath Whetstone, and Glen Gronniger. Basketball and other extra-curricular activities took up a big part of many seniors' time. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger



Nikia Rosenberger and Brycen Wiedmer work on the new computers put down in Mrs. Rockey's room. Nikia received a lot of computer time during Publications. Brycen was in the Computers II class held in the new lab. Photo by Beth Reust.



THS bids farewell to the class of '95.

## *Class of '95 departs with memories*

In the fall of 1982 a group of five- and six-year-olds wandered into Mrs. Helen Lewis's kindergarten room unaware of the thirteen years that lay ahead of them. Little did they know that in 1995 they would be looking back on their years in the Troy school system and recollecting on their past fond and not-so-fond memories. The senior class of 94-95 learned a lot. They learned how to live, love, and let go. They, like every other class, had their fair share of fights, separations, and reunions. Together they shared everything from the first day of school to their first heartache.

"In third grade we were at the lunch table; Emily and some other girls made us cry by telling us that there wasn't a Santa Claus. We went home and told on them. Our parents reassured us that there was a Santa Claus," recalled Nikia Rosenberger and Jamie Schmidt.

In fifth grade Crystal Penny said good-bye to her class and went on to have her mom teach her at home. She then rejoined her class in ninth grade just in time to experience the exciting first day of high school.

"When I came back to Troy I felt very accepted. I

was treated as if I had never left. I think that is one of the special traits of my class," explained Crystal.

Many seniors have fond memories of different activities together. Whether it be shopping, going hunting, sleep-overs, or parties, they spent time together becoming a tighter knit class.

"When we were in fifth and sixth grade, certain members of my class and I would gather at my house to play a fun game of hide-and-go-seek. We had so much fun that we decided to make it a weekly event. The game took place in a span of two blocks. Sometimes it got a little hard to find people, because of the large area and how dark it was!" commented Glen Gronniger.

The seniors took part in group activities in high school, too. They attended dances together, played sports together, and did what a large percentage of Trojans have done, they've cruised Main Street together.

Senior Brook Luedke said, "When we decorated for Prom we had a lot of help from the parents. I think we did a great job working together considering what we had to work with. Decorating was definitely a great success!" *Copv. by Tabitha Gibson*



**The class of 1995.** Standing by cars: Jamie Smith, Emily Erpelding, Jeremy Masters, Brycen Wiedmer, Glen Gronniger, and Travis Davies. On the ground: Traci Simmons, Crystal Penny, Brook Luedke, Stacey Wiedmer, Christy Seiter, Jamie Schmidt, Tracey McNemee, Dana Stanton, Nikia Rosenberger, Becky Tharman, Karen Oyerly, Wednesday Stamper, Gary Stamper, Josh Rhunke, Ryan Geiler, and Jason Dishon. Photo by Bray.



**Karen Oyerly studies** her lines for the fall play *Don't Take My Penny*. Karen played the part of the flighty mother, Mrs. Pringle. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



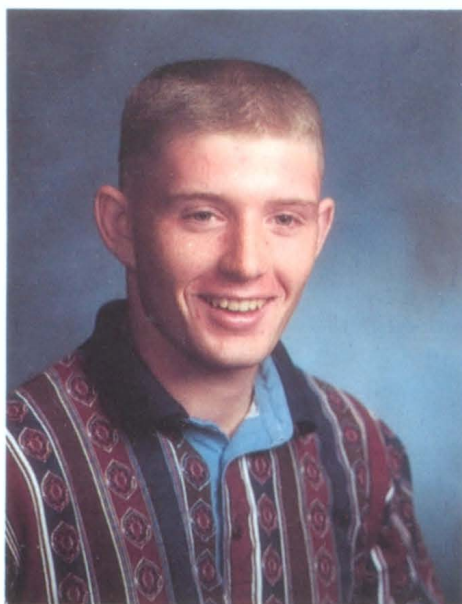
**Receiving some last-minute advice** from Ms. Brookover for filling out her ACT packet is Jamie Schmidt. Seniors planning on attending college were encouraged to take their ACT by December of their senior year. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger

**Best Looking:** Jeremy Masters, Nikia Rosenberger  
**Best Dressed:** Jason Dishon, Emily Erpelding  
**Loudest:** Glen Gronniger, Dana Stanton  
**Quietest:** Travis Davies, Traci Simmons  
**Most Likely to Succeed:** Brycen Wiedmer, Crystal Penny  
**Most Athletic:** Brady Jasper, Emily Erpelding  
**Class Clowns:** Glen Gronniger, Brook Luedke  
**Biggest Party Animals:** Jeremy Masters, Dana Stanton





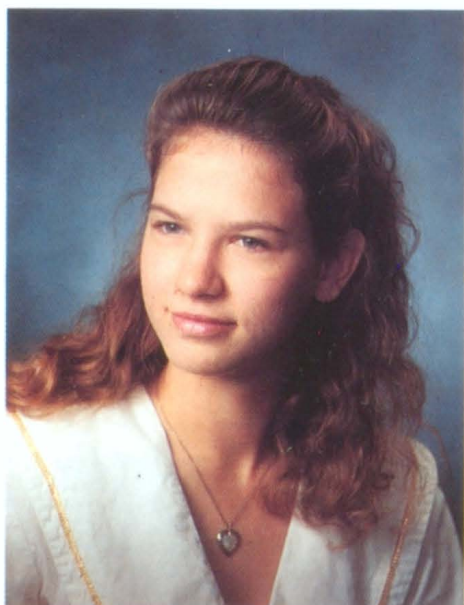
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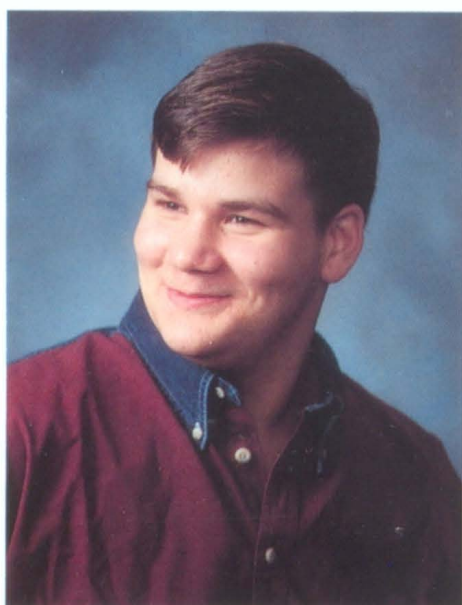
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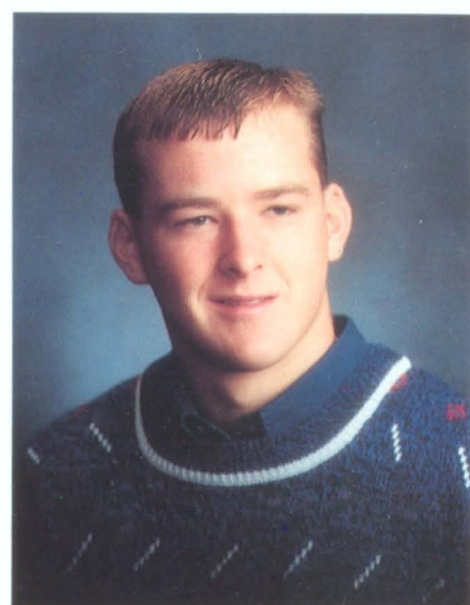
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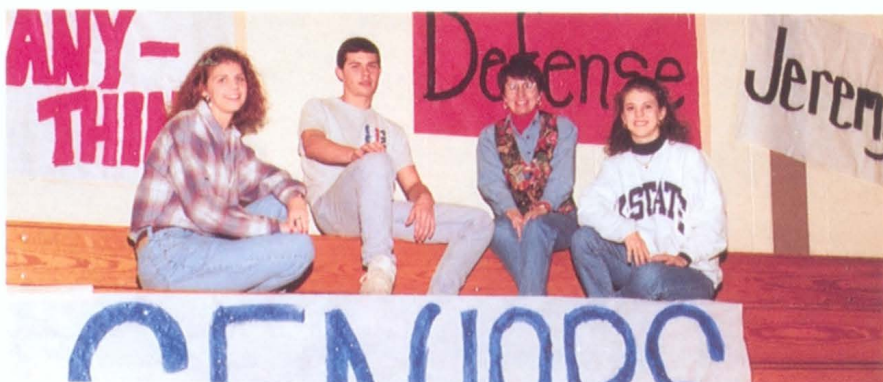
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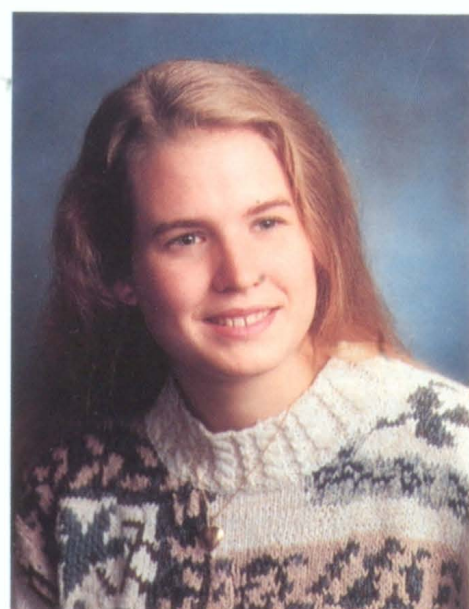
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Leading their class through its final high school days are Brook Luedke, vice-president; Josh Ruhnke, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, class sponsor; and Nikia Rosenberger, class president. The class officers, with the help of their sponsor, were responsible for coordinating the many senior events that took place. Photo by Bray.



Stacey Marie Wiedmer



The Class of 1995



Participating in the Homecoming festivities are senior candidates Nikia Rosenberger, Brycen Wiedmer, Crystal Penny, Travis Davies, Gary Stamper, Traci Simmons, Brook Luedke, and Emily Erpelding. Photo by Kevin McNorton.



The Hostess from India for the family living class is Jamie Schmidt. Each student in family living was given a country for which they must prepare a meal from. Photo by Jennifer Engemann



The best thing that's happened to THS, except for State! - Don Cash

## *Groups combine to boost spirit*

In the past, the idea of spirit was always left to the cheerleaders and the pep club. This year a new team, the leadership team, was formed to help in the effort of raising school spirit. Together these groups worked to build motivation and spirit in the student body and community.

The pep club this year underwent a few changes, the major one being that this year was the first time in several years that members were allowed to letter. With the change in lettering policy also came a new sponsor, Ms. Kathy Alexander. With the help of the leadership team, the seating area for the pep club and pep band was also changed. The middle section of bleachers was reserved for those who consider themselves to be the "loud crowd." Also, the pep club helped create a float for the parade that was started to go along with the uptown pep rally before Homecoming.

Even with the changes, many traditions remained the same. The pep club drew names of football boys for spirit week and were in charge of decorating for the Homecoming and Queen of Courts dances. Also, they helped stuco to decorate for a Snowball dance held before Christmas break.

Fundraisers included two different T-shirts, one sold during the football season which displayed a Trojan, and one sold during the basketball season that displayed the logo "Call 911. We're on fire." At some of the basketball games, face painting was offered by the pep club.

The new leadership team consisted of eight members who were sent to the DVI Leadership Conference with a mission in mind, to find new ways of building school and community spirit. The team

members were Gary Stamper, stuco president; Traci Simmons, Kayette president; Nikia Rosenberger, senior class president; Jennifer Engemann, junior class president; Jeremy Grable, FFA president; Renee Scholz, sophomore class president; Dallas Keller, freshman class president; and Ms. Kathy Alexander, pep club sponsor.

The leadership team's major undertaking this year was the First Annual Late Night held in the C.W. Oliver Gym, November 22. The team's plan to generate school spirit was to involve as many people as possible. Late Night began with the members of the leadership team announcing new ideas for spirit in the high school. Then the girls' and boys' basketball teams were announced. The National Honor Society presented the ball teams with "keys to success," and the coaches each spoke for the teams. The evening's entertainment included routines by the cheerleaders, music by the pep band, a game of "chicken basketball" by students from the sophomore class, and a tug-of-war contest between parents and the basketball teams. (The girls' basketball team defeated the boys' basketball team's fathers with the help of their fathers.) The FFA presented a plaque to the winners on which their names will be engraved. Following the Late Night, the junior class and the booster club provided drinks and cookies to the crowd. *Copy by Nikia Rosenberger*



The pep club spent the afternoon decorating the new cafeteria for the Homecoming dance. Preparing balloons for the dance are Bobby Milbourne and Jamie Wykert. Photo by Lindsay Christenson.



Decorating the gym for class competitions are sophomores Renee Scholz and Regina Huff. Their class won the competition and received an ice cream party for their prize. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.





During spirit week, the pep club members secretly give candy, etc. to the football players during the week and reveal their identity by wearing the football player's white jersey on the day of the game. Sitting on the ledge at the up-town rally are Nancy Mitchell, Karen Oyerly, and Kristy Clary. Standing: Lindsey Rosenberger, Gabe Durr, Craig Scholz, Brad Johnson, Kirk Jamvold, Benjy Cook, Willie Clary, Corey Kostman, Jamie Christenson, and Lindsay Christenson. Photo by Kathy Alexander.



"Chicken basketball" was put on by sophomores Jill Wiedmer, Andrew Clary, Julie Nett, Regina Huff, Renee Scholz, Sam Reust, Kelli Simmons, Heath Whetstine, Lindsey Rosenberger, Larry Huff, Kelly Dishon, and Nathan Penny. Photo by Staci Schulz.



Tug-of-war between the parents and the basketball teams seemed to be one of the highlights of the evening. Above: The girls' basketball team takes on their mothers. They are: Nikia Rosenberger, Katherine Robinson, Jennifer Engemann, Sarah Geiger, Amy Moore, Brook Luedke, Kathy Alexander (judge), Derek Luedke (mascot), Barb Luedke, Delinda Rosenberger, Kay Engemann, and Neva Moore. Photo by Staci Schulz.



"What spare time?" - Jennifer Engemann

## *Students find time for spare time*

"Spare time? I don't know the meaning of the word!" exclaimed Mandie Loroff, head cheerleader, publications staff writer, Chief story editor, honor roll student, secretary-treasurer of student council, etc.

Obviously students in Troy High are very involved in activities that range from Quiz Bowl to cheerleading. But when these students have spare time they use it very wisely. Many students do a variety of different things during their spare time.

"I spend most of my time with Brian or I sleep," commented Mandy Robinson.

Many times that significant other can take up so much time that students don't really have any time after they eat, sleep, do homework, go to school, and talk to that significant other for an hour or two.

Many Trojans battle it out on the court or field in either volleyball, football, cross country, basketball, or track. Hunting seems to be another favorite hobby of many THS students.

Robert Robinson stated, "In my spare time I work on my truck and tear stuff up or I go out and try to shoot things!"

Surprise surprise: teachers do have a life outside of the school. Many teachers do have other things to do besides grading papers, thinking of grueling assignments, and making up tests. Mr. Steven

Thompson enjoyed hiking.

"I enjoy taking long walks, reading, and gardening; I enjoy being with my horses, cats, and dogs!" explained Mrs. Babetta Israel.

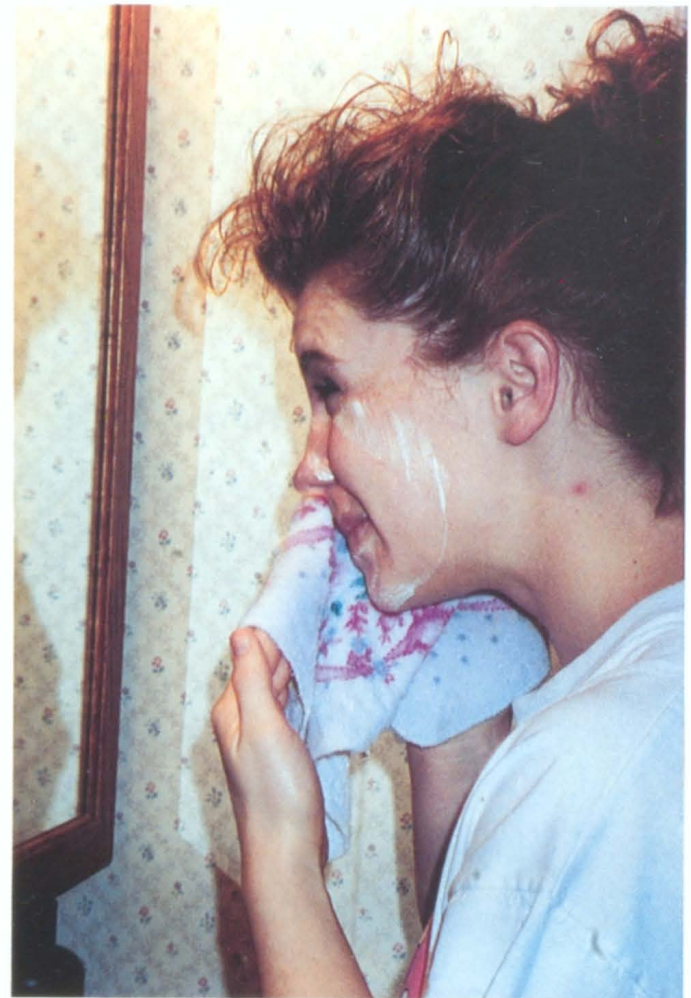
After-school jobs also seem to be a large consumer of time. Many students hold jobs that vary from working on game farms, to helping out on the family farm, to baby-sitting.

Christy Gibson said, "I really have no time at all. All of my time is spent being paid to watch other people's children. Not one weekend goes by that I don't have to baby-sit. I truly enjoy it, but sometimes I wish I had more time to myself!"

As anyone can plainly see, it's hard to have any time to yourself with the varied assortment of activities that THS has to offer. Copy by Tabitha Gibson



Showing off her steer "Dusty" at the 4H fair is Sarah Boeh. Many students put a lot of time and energy into getting their 4H projects ready for show. Photo by Susan Boeh.



Applying makeup and fixing her hair is how Lindsey Rosenberger spends some of her spare time. Every time she applies makeup, she has to take it off later as she is seen doing here. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



**Ironing clothes for her trip to Mexico** is Becky Boaz. The Baptist Church took a group to Mexico to work with children in an orphanage there. While there, the group worked to rebuild the orphanage and interacted with the children. Their trip lasted for ten days. Photo by Crystal Penny.



**Going home after a late night of play practice** is Kelly Dishon. Many students found they had little spare time after participating in extracurricular activities. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



**Taking aim at clay pigeons** are Eddie, Neal, and Thad Eylar. Shooting the targets not only provided some family time, but it also gave the shooters some practice for hunting season.



Number of home games boost sales

# Juniors build up bank account

The junior class of THS was a rather large class consisting of 33 members.

Unlike all the other classes of Troy High School, the juniors do not have to sell any type of products for their money-making project. As in the past, the junior class was in charge of the concession stand, under the guidance of Mrs. Anna Goss. Having more home games scheduled boosted the profits for the class.

Juniors also get the opportunity to host the annual junior-senior prom. This can be a very expensive and stressful time when it comes down to finding a location, date, time, decorations, and also sponsors for the after-prom party. Then whatever money is left over is put toward their senior year and saved up for their senior trip.

When it comes time for enrollment, juniors are only required two core classes: American history and English. The students are then allowed to pick another five classes of their choice.

Sherry Duncan commented, "By only having two required classes, it gives us a lot more freedom and

variety of choices of what we want to take to further our education."

This particular group of students was very active in many organizations throughout the school system: football, basketball, volleyball, track, band, chorus, FFA, National Honors Society, Kayettes, GCTL, Speech and Drama, and T-Club.

In the summer of '94, many people saw the the end of Major League Baseball. Players from MLB teams took a long vacation and went on strike, because they believed they weren't getting paid enough. This was followed by a strike in hockey, too.

"I think all of the athletes are greedy and are thinking about themselves and not the fans. But it doesn't really affect me," stated Lindsay Christenson.

Justin Johnson commented, "The players shouldn't be on strike, because they make enough money the way it is. I'm glad they are though, because I don't like watching baseball and hockey on TV. It is taking away air time for football and basketball."

As a whole, the Class of '96 had a successful year!!

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Joel Ashburn  
Zach Benitz  
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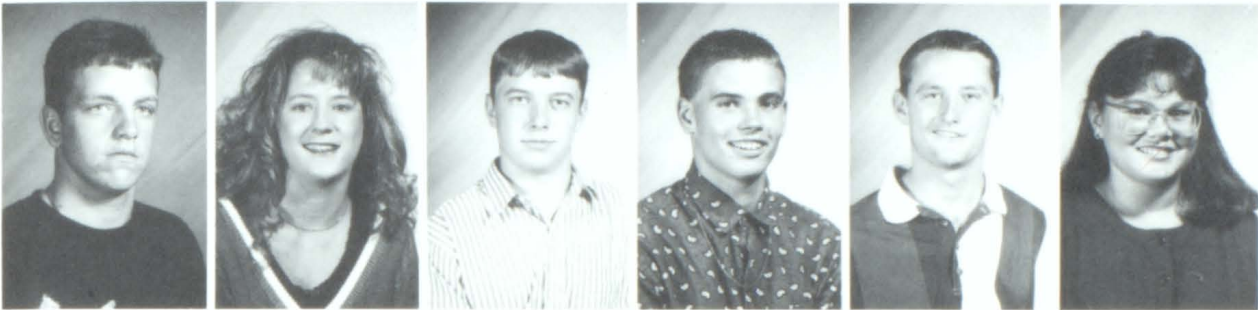


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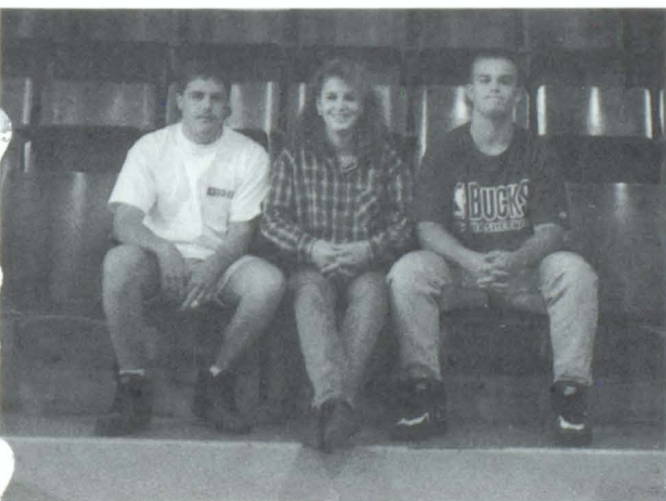
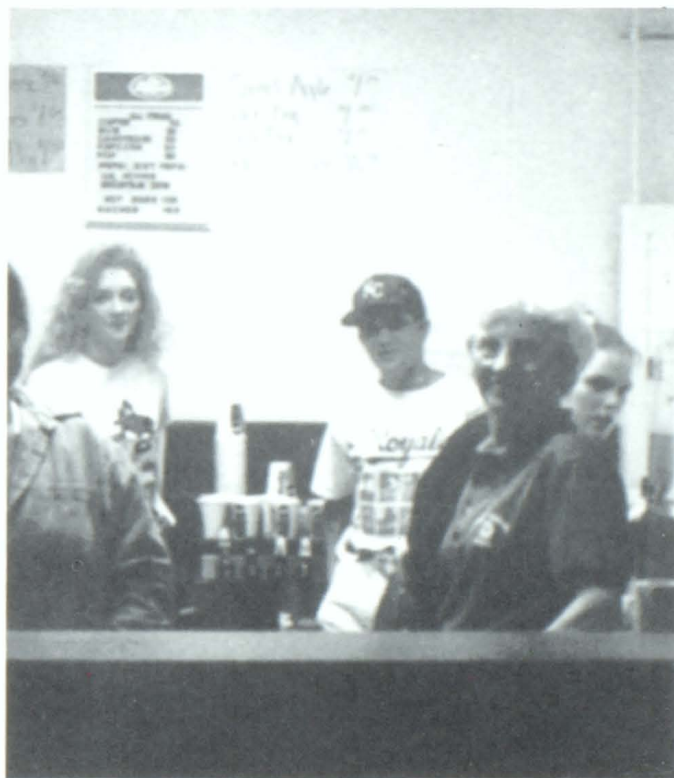


Brandon Pierce  
Mandy Robinson  
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Bryan Salisbury  
Craig Scholz  
Staci Schultz



Damon Shelton  
Patrick Stamper  
Lacey Thomas

**In deep concentration,** Joel Ashburn takes notes during a class meeting one afternoon. Photo by Jennifer Engemann



**Above:** Working hard in the concession stand are juniors Lonna Neumann, Thad Eylar, Chastity Duncan, and sponsor, Mrs. Anna Goss. Photo by Lacey Thomas. **Left:** Junior class officers, Joel Ashburn, secretary-treasurer; Jennifer Engemann, president; Benjy Cook, vice-president. Photo by Staci Schultz.

'It was a BLAST!' -- Mandy Robinson

## *Clubs stay active throughout year*

Dances, plays, and pen pals: these are just a few of the activities sponsored by drama club, Stuco, and the Governor's Center for Teen Leadership.

Governor's Center for Teen Leadership, commonly known as GCTL, was made up of some of Troy High's student leaders. It was sponsored by Miss Cheryl Koelsch.

GCTL was busy teaching the grade school children how to be a drug- and alcohol-free person. GCTL was also active in writing the grade school kids letters. They were each given two kids in the third grade class to write to. This was one way to get to know the kids in their group and get on more of a one-on-one basis with them.

Two-year member Josh Rulinke commented, "I like having the pen pals. They look up to us and it is amazing what different kinds of stories they have to tell you."

GCTL also received the chance to help the newly formed junior high GCTL sponsor a dance for the junior high students. The members took hour-long

shifts as chaperones, but many stayed longer.

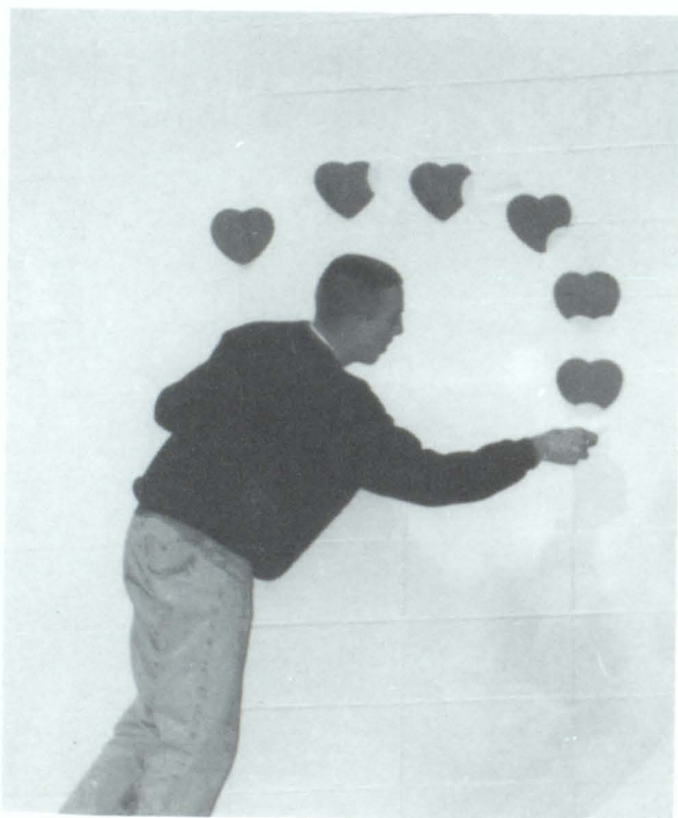
The Troy High School Student Council also had a very busy year.

Mrs. Beth Reust, Stuco sponsor commented, "We plan an activity for every month; it would be difficult to do much more."

Student council sponsored both Homecoming and Queen of Courts dances, a Thanksgiving Dinner for the high and middle schools, the last-day-before-Christmas-vacation festivities, and the ice-breaker pool party.

"We have a very responsible group in Stuco this year. They are willing to work, to volunteer, and to complete projects," stated Mrs. Reust.

The drama club had a full year of activities. They attended *The Little Prince* and *Sherlock's Last Case* at Crown Center in Kansas City, and also co-sponsored the spring dinner theater with the booster club. There was a new addition to the drama club activities: it was a Halloween costume contest and party to replace the annual parade. Contestants were judged on creativity and the winners were given prizes. *Copy by Lindsay Christenson*



Stuco member Heath Whetstine works hard to get his job done. Decorating the gym for Queen of Courts was one of many activities Stuco participated in. Photo by Keith Hinds.



Discussing their plans for the day, Nancy Mitchell and Julie Nett wait anxiously at the Horton speech meet. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.





**Candy Higley and Tabitha Gibson** carry on a conversation with Heather Ayers. Heather played Liza in *Sherlock's Last Case*. This was one of the plays the drama club was able to attend. The other plays they saw were *The Little Prince* and *Father of the Bride*. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



**Lacey Thomas and Glen Gronniger** carry on an interesting conversation as Lacey is dressed like a cow. Lacey won the category of funniest. Other winners were Kelly Dishon, Renee Scholz, Andy Bramalge, and Julie Nett. Prizes were awarded to the winners. Photo by Keith Hinds.

**Kelli Simmons and Lindsey Rosenberger**, two GCTL members, enjoy eating with their third-grade pen pals. This was one of the many activities GCTL participated in. Photo by Traci Simmons.



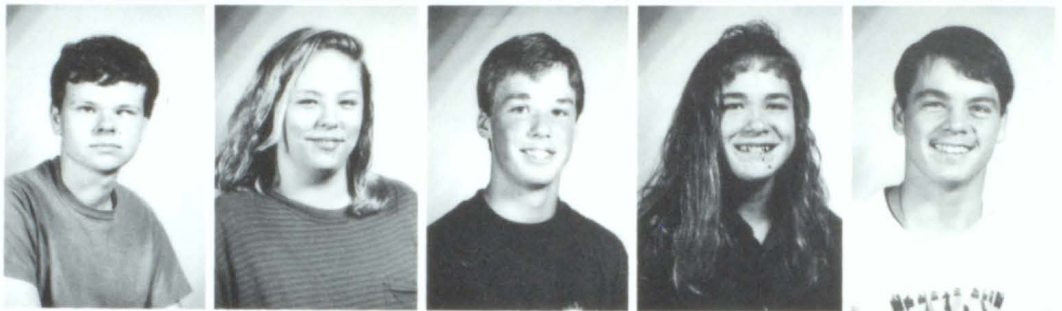
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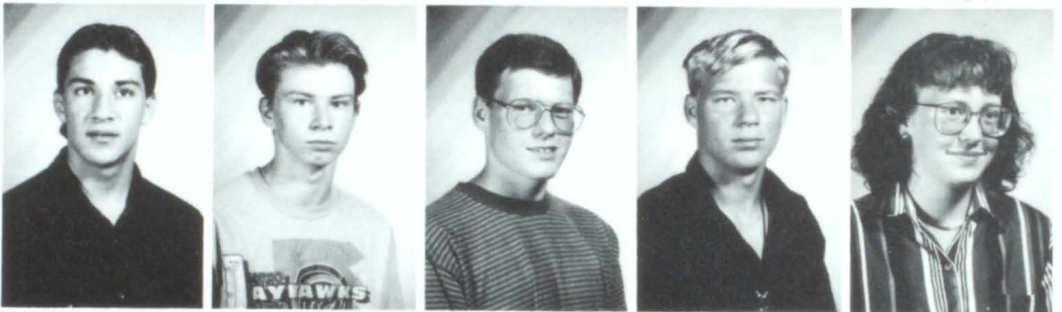
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 Jeff Norris  
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 Renee Scholz  
 Kelli Simmons  
 Heath Whetstone  
 Jill Wiedner





'It went fast!' --Julie Nett

## *Sophomores finish second year*

"It's great not being the scrubs of the school any more," Lindsey Rosenberger stated.

Many of the 30 sophomores would agree with her. Becoming a sophomore for some people is a great experience because many were picked on as freshmen and now they seem to think it's payback time. Some are also excited because the more years they put behind them the closer they are to graduation.

"I thought becoming a sophomore was no big deal," stated Jill Weidmer.

The sophomores participated in their annual fundraiser of selling pizzas to make money for their senior trip in two years. The class made close to \$1800 profit for the year.

"I think selling pizzas is a good way for us to make money easily and it's not that hard since all we have to do is sell them and deliver them," commented Kelli Simmons.

Sophomores also bought their class rings from

Jostens. They chose from the many colors and styles.

"It was hard to choose a ring because there are so many different styles and there are so many choices you can make, but I finally reached a decision," commented Kami Barnthison.

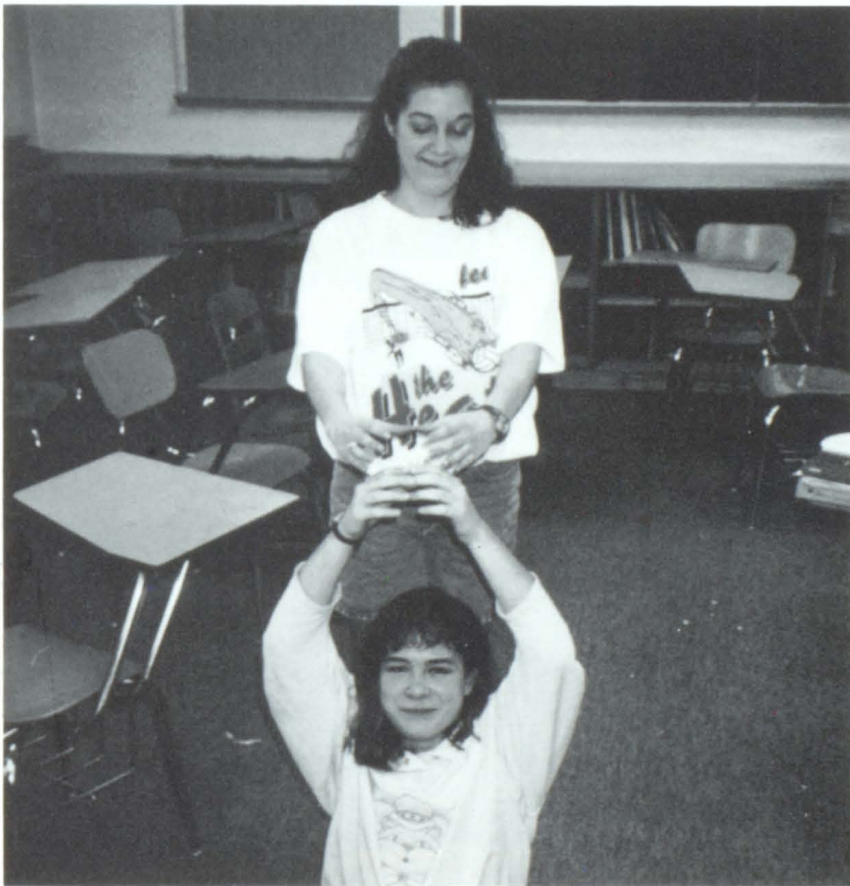
They participated in the Homecoming window decorating contest in which they decorated Troy State Bank's windows.

Renee Scholz commented, "We had a lot of fun decorating and I think it really made the town look very spirited and all the decorations looked cool."

They also performed at the 'Late Night' in December. Five girls sat on five guys' shoulders and played basketball as the crowd cheered them on.

"It was something different to do and we had a lot of fun even though my team lost," Kelly Dishon said.

Some of their favorite pastimes included volleyball, basketball, football, hunting, fishing, partying, sleeping, and vacations. *Copy by Lacey Thomas*



Among sophomores, speech and drama was popular. Regina Huff and Kelly Dishon tried out for the play by demonstrating a machine. Photo by Lacey Thomas



Sophomore officers are president, Kelli Simmons; vice-president, Jill Wiedmer; and secretary, Renee Scholz. Photo by Lacey Thomas



**NHS members** Brook Luedke, Traci Simmons, Mrs. Charlene Brookover, Josh Ruhnke, Mandie Loroff, Karen Oyerly, Crystal Penny, and Brycen Wiedmer discuss the cookie-selling fundraiser during activity period. Cookies of all types were sold for \$0.25 each. Each Wednesday the members took turns bringing cookies to be sold. Photo by Lacey Thomas



It was a successful year -- Jeremy Grable

## *Two prominent clubs keep busy*

'National Honors Society, a prominent club, did a great share of work throughout the year.

National Honors Society is a group of students that have achieved a 3.5 cumulative G.P.A. These students had to fill out an application resume and were then voted on by a committee of teachers according to leadership and activities. They participated in numerous activities throughout the school year and were sponsored by Mrs. Charlene Brookover.

"I think that we have accomplished much more this year than in the past. We all worked hard to get done what we could, which was a lot of work," commented Karen Oyerly.

During this year's community project the officers of NHS presented boxes and bags containing 144 food items of non-perishable food to June Stamper of NEK-Cap. The food was donated by community members.

"I thought that the project we did this year was very beneficial and helped many people who are less fortunate. I think it was a good idea and would also work well in the future," commented Brycen

Wiedmer.

NHS also had a fundraiser in which they chose to sell baked goods to students and faculty during the lunch hour.

"It was very interesting being in this club, especially since we participated in so many activities," commented Amy Moore.

"I thought the fundraiser went over really well, especially since it was the first time it's been done," commented Josh Ruhnke, president.

Quill & Scroll is an honorary society for high school journalists. There were only two members of this society so it was an honor to be in it. Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey was the sponsor.

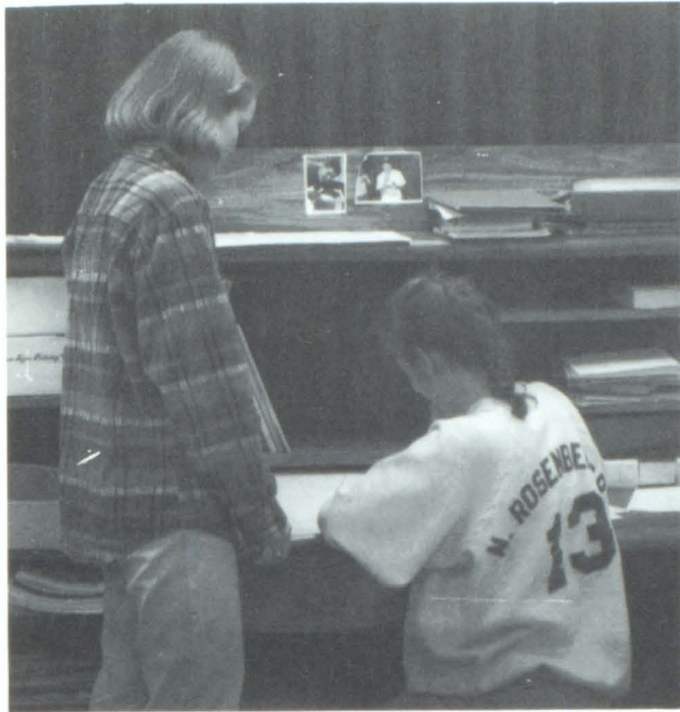
Crystal Penny commented, "It was a real honor to be chosen to be in this organization. I enjoy journalism so I feel privileged to be a part of this club."

"I felt honored to be a part of this organization simply because I enjoy journalism and all that goes with it," commented Nikia Rosenberger.

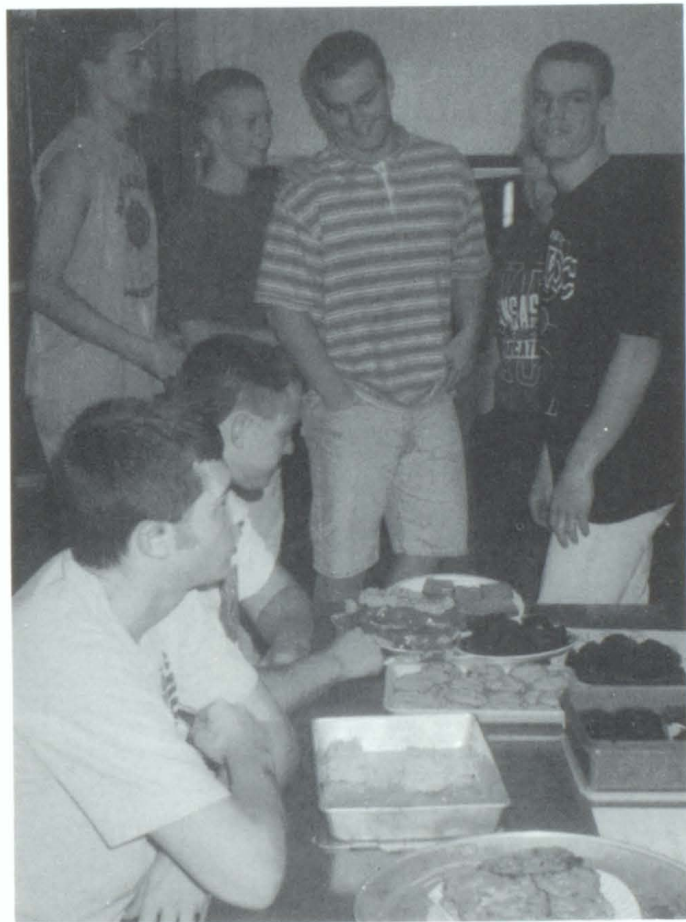
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**Is this ok?** Crystal Penny and Nikia Rosenberger check a layout as part of their duties as editors of the yearbook. Photo by Lacey Thomas



**NHS officers deliver** sacks of non-perishable foods to NEK-Cap chairperson June Stamper. Those officers were Amy Moore and Jeremy Grable. Photo by Keith Hinds.



**Cookies! Cookies! Cookies!** Numerous students await lunchtime on Wednesday to buy cookies and brownies from the National Honors Society. Photo by Lacey Thomas.



**What a magazine!** Crystal Penny enjoyed reading the magazines she received monthly. She received this because she was a member of Quill and Scroll. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger

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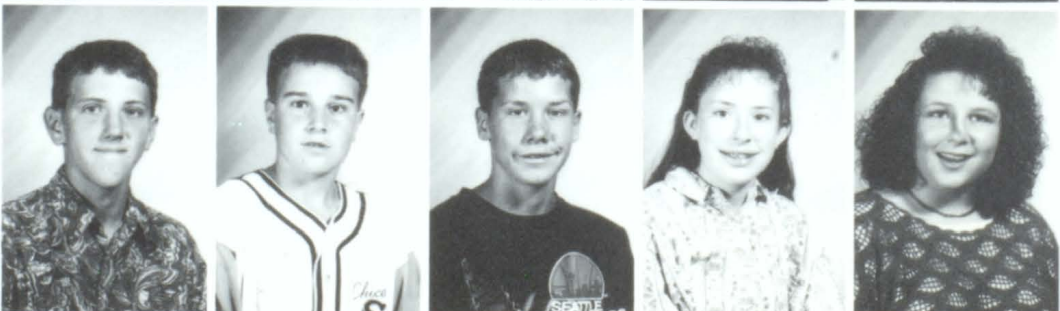
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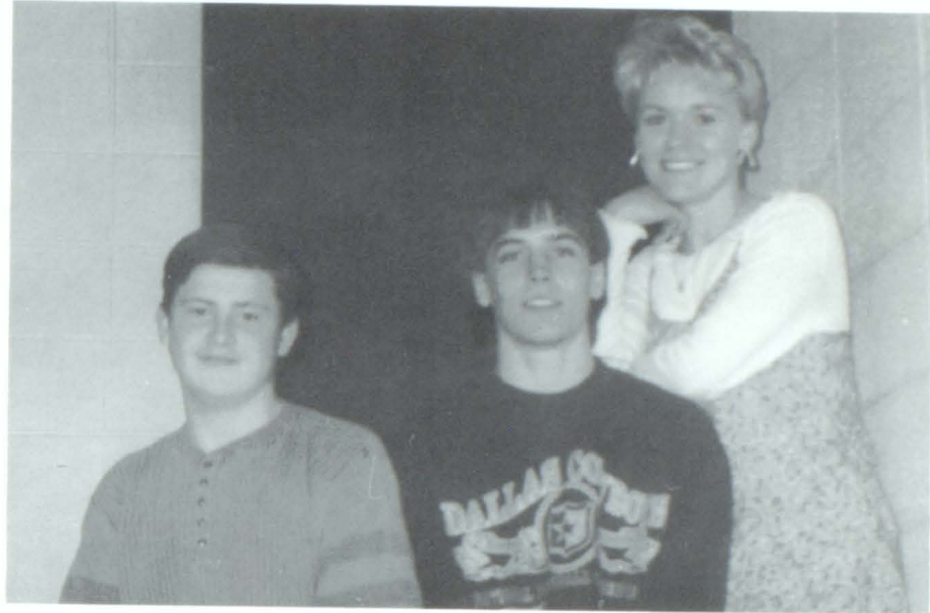


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Class officers for the freshman class are Dallas Keller, president; Nicole Kinsey, vice-president; and Bobby Milbourne, secretary. Representatives for student council are Kyle Thomas and Sandi Nelson. These officers represented the class and made many decisions for them. These officers were elected by the freshman class at the beginning of the year. They put out a lot of hard work and made it a successful year. Photo by Staci Schultz.



'We had a lot more freedom --Kyle Thomas

## *Freshmen experience freedom*

New school, teachers, students, competition, responsibilities, and everything else that goes along with being a freshman at Troy High School can be a very heavy load for students to take on all at once.

Andy Franken commented, "I liked the change even though it is kind of hard to get used to all at once."

Some times going from being at the top of the block as an eighth grader to being the babies of the school again is not so fun. Freshmen not only have tougher classes, but extra-curricular activities are also tougher.

"Teachers aren't as likely to baby you as they did in grade and middle school. After you enter the high school you're supposed to grow up all at once and it's scary," commented Jamie Wykert.

The first day of school is always the worst because the freshmen never know what to expect from teachers, upperclassmen, or just high school. Once activities and sports begin, the ice begins to thaw and most students are a little less on edge.

"The first day of high school wasn't as difficult as I thought it would be. The day of freshman orientation made it much easier," commented Corey Kostman.

The freshmen participated in the annual Tom Watt Campaign, which is used as their fund-raiser for the year. They also participated and won the window decorating contest during Homecoming week.

"Selling Tom Watt was not as bad as I thought it would be, and it seemed like we made quite a bit of money," commented Brad Johnson.

"I was really glad that we won the decorating contest. It made the town look really nice. All the classes did a great job decorating and everyone had a really fun time doing it," commented Sarah Geiger.

No matter how your first year of high school turns out there are always years to look forward to and hope each gets better. Especially, if your freshman year turns out to be the pits. Copy by Lacey Thomas



**HAPPY HALLOWEEN!** Nikia Rosenberger, Brook Laedke, and other senior Kayettes enjoyed reading safety rules and giving treats to the kindergarteners on Halloween. Photo by Keith Hinds.

**Which one is the best?** Kyle Thomas carefully looks over every aspect of the sheep during livestock judging contest for FFA members. Photo by Darrell Wapp.

**Clean! Clean! Clean!** Although it is a dusty and dirty job, Kayette member Noelle Oyler lives through cleaning the trophy case as part of a Kayette project. Photo by Keith Hinds.



A **petting zoo** was held by FFA members who brought animals from home to share with others. FFA member, Sarah Boeli, enjoys holding a pet rabbit. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



**What's this one?** FFA members Nancy Mitchell, Noelle Oyler, and Jill Wiedmer study and identify plants during an agricultural class. Most members enjoyed this activity but found it hard to remember all of them at times. Photo by Mr. Darrell Wapp



'I enjoy the activities we do in both clubs'--Nancy Mitchell

## *Clubs dominate with activities*

Getting involved in groups was a large part of the year's activities for both Kayettes and the FFA chapter. The Kayettes kept their large membership, and the FFA increased theirs.

Kayettes, an organized group for girls, was very busy throughout the school year. The year began by selecting the members of the board. The board had a Christmas party and gift exchange at Applebee's in St. Joseph, MO.

Julie Nett commented, "We had a lot of fun that night and the food was really good. We made a lot of interesting conversation also."

The Kayettes took their annual shopping trip to Independence Mall in Independence, MO. They also wrote letters to the service men who were stationed overseas during Christmastime.

Many parties were thrown during activity period for special holidays such as Halloween, Valentine's Day and Christmas. The last party was to honor the seniors and to give good-byes for the year. Mrs. Babetta Israel was the Kayette adviser.

FFA members also were very busy. They began the year with the annual watermelon feed for all

students in agriculture classes. For a fund-raiser the FFA members sold fruit and profited well.

The members visited the FFA national convention in Kansas City. At the convention the members got to listen to national FFA officers speak and preside over a meeting.

District contest was another area of interest for many members. The chapter had several members who did well in competition.

The FFA members who qualified for state went to Manhattan for the final contests. Those members were Annie Jensen, Nicole Kinsey, Corey Kostman, Sarah Geiger, Kyle Thomas, Andy Bramlage, Jeremy Grable, Jeremy Prawl, Jill Wiedmer, Robert Robinson, Nancy Mitchell, Noelle Oyler, and Sarah Boeh.

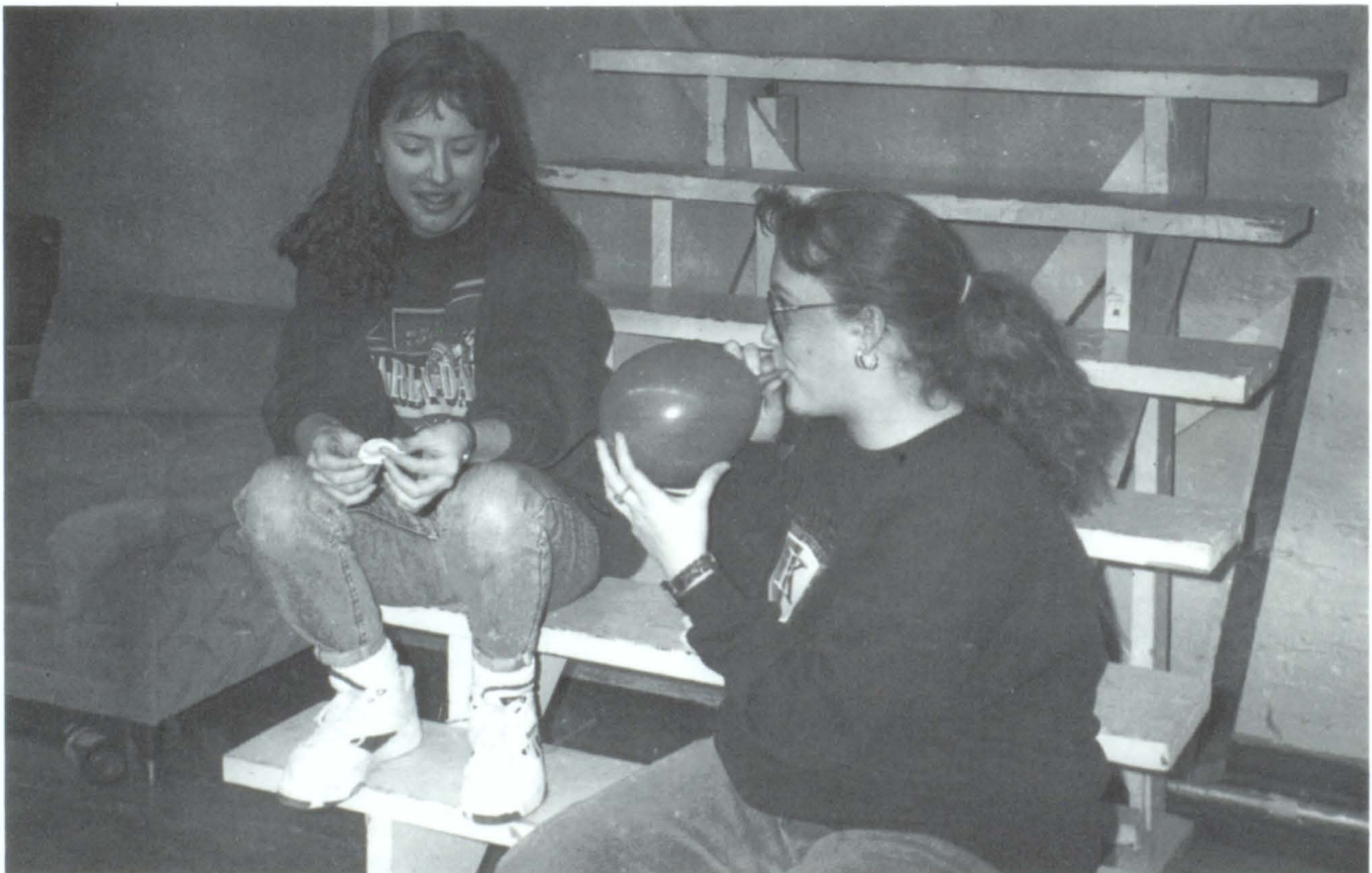
"State FFA was fun but after a few days there I was ready to go but for the long ride home," commented Kyle Thomas.

The year ended with the annual banquet. Members there had dinner and received awards and recognition for their endeavors. Mr. Darrell Wapp was the FFA adviser. *Copy by Lacey Thomas*



Better Be a  
part of it

After successfully throwing off the defenders with a pump fake, Travis Davies prepares himself for a power lay-up. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



Preparing for the Queen of Courts dance during the varsity ball games are Shanna Wright and Jenny Ford. The dance was held in the old gym, and decorating time for the gym was very little due to a boys' junior varsity ball game that was held in the old gym that night. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.





# *Responsibility increases maturity*

With winter comes sledding, Christmas, presents, and fun. Along with this fun come many student responsibilities.

One of the activities students were involved in was quiz bowl. This was for the student who enjoyed challenges of the mind. They quizzed against other teams over subjects learned in school.

The speech team was also active in school. They performed plays, speeches, prose, and more.

"I think the speech season is going pretty well. We have a lot of fun

**Receiving a painful blow to the shin** from Kelly Dishon is Larry Huff during their duet act, *Company of Wayward Saints*. Kelly and Larry attended the State Forensics Festival at Johnson County Community College. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



"Do you want to carry it?" Jared Cash asks Nikia Rosenberger as they received the first-place plaque for the one-act play at the Horton Invitational speech meet. The one-act also received first at the DVL meet at JCN. Photo by Annie Jensen.

and there's good personalities on the team. We're doing really well," said Noelle Oyler, competing in humorous solo and duet acting.

One of the most community-supported activities of the winter was basketball. Watching or playing basketball was a fun pastime for many students.

"I was very pleased with the way this year went. You always have disappointments but we were lucky to have very few," stated Brook Luedke, senior basketball player.

Along with these activities were after-school jobs, community responsibilities and homework.

Students learned to balance work and fun during winter.

*Copy by Crystal Penny*



**Frantically figuring an equation** during competition at a quiz bowl meet is Karen Oyler. Karen served as the team captain this year. Photo by Candy Higley.



**Blocking out** her Oskaloosa opponent, Nikia Rosenberger prepares for the rebound. Photo by Keith Hinds.



**Scrimmaging** was one of the many activities seen at practice. Other activities included defensive and offensive drills, shooting drills, and ball-handling drills. Photo by Keith Hinds.



**Going up with** all of her strength, Brook Luedke battles to pull down the loose ball. The ladies went on to win the game 53 to 39. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.

## BASKETBALL SCORES

### US

### THEM

36	Pleasant Ridge	24
22	Valley Falls	58
44	McLouth	40
33	Oskaloosa	41
23	Wathena	26
64	Elwood	35
34	McLouth	22
19	Jackson Hts.	39
49	Midway	16
42	Wathena	15
26	Atchison	39
35	Hiawatha	42
31	Horton	30
25	Horton	38
29	Midway	26
49	Oskaloosa	47
24	Jeff. Co. No.	27
36	Highland	34
43	Valley Falls	52
53	Pleasant Ridge	39
26	Onaga	39

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**1994-95 Lady Trojan Basketball team** Front Row: Nicole Kinsey, Renee Scholz, Amy Moore, Brook Luedke, Nikia Rosenberger, Karen Overly, Jennifer Engemann, Lindsey Rosenberger, and Sarah Geiger. Row 2: Jamie Christenson, Amy Keller, Chris Hoverson, Sandi Nelson, Katherine Robinson, and Sarah Boeh. Row 3: Assistant Coach Cheryl Koelsch, Manager Regina Hull and Head Coach Frank Davis. Photo by Bray.



**Junior Amy Moore reaches** as high as she can to battle for possession of the ball against the Lady Bulldogs of McLouth. The ladies fought hard and went on to win the game 34 to 22. Photo by Keith Hinds.



## *Determination takes Ladies far*

**D**etermination, determination, determination; this word described what many of the Lady Trojans were full of. "Whoever said winning isn't everything never won anything." This slogan seemed to be a good one for the Lady Trojans in the 1994-95 season.

The first game was a good start for the ladies, gaining a victory over Pleasant Ridge. Their next game didn't go quite so well as their first one. Even though the ladies fought hard, it wasn't enough to defeat Valley Falls. Before Christmas break they came back with a victory over Wathena.

Even though their 1994 season ended with a victory the ladies still worked hard over Christmas break to make sure the rest of their season went as smoothly as their last game.

One of the games most remembered was the game against Horton in the Hiawatha Tournament. The Lady Trojans were down by 3 with 5 seconds to go in the game. Sophomore Lindsey Rosenberger launched a three-pointer and, incredibly enough, it went in. This amazing shot sent the ladies into overtime. The three-pointer gave the ladies the extra

boost they needed to win the game.

There was so much excitement the ladies couldn't keep track of all of the memories.

Junior varsity player Jamie Christenson was able to think back and recall her most memorable time. She stated, "I had to shoot five free throws in a row; first I was fouled; then there was a lane violation; finally a technical foul. I thought I would never get away from that line."

The ladies worked hard throughout the year to accomplish their team and individual goals.

"One of our goals was to play well against some of the better teams in the league. The great thing about accomplishing our goals was that we had a fun time doing it," stated senior, Karen Oyerly.

Players who received honors were Brook Luedke, Nikia Rosenberger, and Jennifer Engemann. All-County honors went to senior Brook Luedke, 1st team, and junior Jennifer Engemann, 2nd team. All-League honors went to two seniors, Brook Luedke, 1st team, and Nikia Rosenberger, 2nd team. Copy by Lindsay Christenson



Senior **Jeremy Masters** soars above his Valley Falls opponent as senior **Brady Jasper** and sophomore **Heath Whetstine** prepare themselves for the rebound. The Trojans came away with a victory of 68 to 60 over the Dragons. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



Senior **Glen Gronniger** prepares for a possible rebound. Glen led the team with a shooting percentage of 55.6. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



Senior **Travis Davies** reaches for the loose ball against his Valley Falls opponent as **Brady Jasper** watches for the possible fast-break. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



**1994-95 Boys' Basketball team** Front Row: Aaron Davies, Glen Gronniger, Brady Jasper, Brad Johnson, Keith Hinds, Kyle Thomas, Andy Franken, Bobby Millbourne, Craig Scholz, and Justin Johnson. Row 2: Head Coach Kevin Kelley, Joel Ashburn, Kirk Jamvold, Dallas Keller, Heath Whetstine, Corey Kostman, Sam Reust, Tyler Whetstine, and Assistant Coach Bart Sullentrop. Row 3: Travis Davies, Nathan Penny, Larry Huff, Jeremy Masters, Bryan Salisbury, Jaylon Ashburn, Adam Clary, and Brandon Pierce. Photo by Bray.



## BASKETBALL SCORES

### US

### THEM

66	Jeff. Co. No.	47
53	Jackson Hts.	56
78	Wathena	87
63	Highland	56
77	Elwood	56
70	McLouth	59
39	Jackson Hts.	57
56	Midway	51
70	Wathena	65
55	Jeff East	75
75	Eudora	64
73	Jeff. Co. No.	63
81	Horton	59
46	Midway	47
67	Oskaloosa	55
71	Jeff. Co. No.	59
53	Highland	55
68	Valley Falls	60
76	Pleasant Ridge	61
51	Wathena	55

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## Seniors set example for the team

The Trojans had it all: four returning seniors and many underclassmen who stepped up to the best of their ability to accomplish their goals.

Every basketball season starts off with the dreaded practices. The boys were accustomed to one special activity they loved: minute drills.

Junior Joel Ashburn commented, "They were terrible at the beginning of the season, but the sad thing is they never got easier. I guess they kept us all in shape."

The Trojans started off the season with a victory over the JCN Chargers in the DVL Tournament. The next two games weren't as successful for the Trojans. Even though they had trouble with the past two games they came back to end the season with two victories over the Highland Bluestreaks and the Elwood Panthers.

Hard work and dedication during Christmas vacation paid off with a victory over the McLouth Bulldogs.

Jeff West was Troy's first opponent in the McLouth Tournament. The Trojans were unable to pull off a victory against Jeff West and against Eudora in their second-round game. The third-round game was a different story: the Trojans came back with a victory over JCN.

With few upperclassmen, some underclassmen were able to step up and show off their talent.

Two seniors received special honors. They were Jeremy Masters and Brady Jasper: both received all-county 1st team and all-league 1st team.

Grabbing the board wasn't a problem for Jeremy Masters: he led the Trojans with a total of 148 rebounds.

Brady Jasper led the Trojans with 419 points. Brady also led the team in assists and steals.

Looking back on his junior year Keith Hinds commented, "I thought we had a pretty good season and I have high expectations for next year." *Copy by Lindsay Christenson*



Taking advantage of the open court, sophomore Heath Whetstine sets up for a three. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



# Speech and quiz teams place high

"What is the capital of Greece?" asked the moderator at a quiz bowl competition. Troy rang in. "Athens," said team member Bryan Salisbury. Troy added another win to its list.

The Quiz Bowl team, whose members included Karen Oyerly, Mandie Loroff, Tabitha Gibson, Bryan Salisbury, Candy Higley, Aaron Clary, Regina Huff, Rebecca Boaz, Jared Cash, Andy Bramlage and Julie Nett, had a better record than any team for a number of years. Mr. Steve Thompson was the sponsor.

Along with fourth place at regionals, some other achievements were second place in DVI, and second place at the Midway meet.

What started out as a trip to regionals at Lyndon, ended up as an overnight stay in Topeka. Because of icy roads, the team was forced to stay overnight at the Holiday in Topeka.

Quiz bowl competed in 12 meets, as well as High-Q, sponsored by Washburn University and WIBW-TV. Participants in that event were Candy Higley, Tabitha Gibson, Andy Bramlage, and Jared Cash.

"This is a basic story of David and Goliath," explained Sarah Geiger, in beginning her informative speech about corporate hog farming.

Sarah, along with 24 other THS students, was a member of the speech and forensics team, which was coached by Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey. They competed in four meets and regional and state competitions, as well as hosting a meet.

"Speech gave me a new experience this year because I am not used to having three events," said Nancy Mitchell.

There are many categories a speech team member could compete in at a meet. These included humorous solo, serious solo, duet acting, poetry, prose, oration, informative speech, extemporaneous speech, and improvised duet acting.

"I found that speech could be very eventful. Speech is one of the more active groups you can join. It is a lot of fun," remarked Noelle Oyler.

Many of the speech team members competed in state competition. Earning I ratings and a state gold medal were Mandie Loroff, Sarah Geiger, and Regina Huff. Earning II ratings were Sarah Geiger, Aaron Clary, Jared Cash, Renee Scholz, Kelly Dishon, Larry Huff, Julie Nett, Candy Higley, and Noelle Oyler. III ratings went to Nancy Mitchell and Andy Bramlage. *Copy by Candy Higley.*

"Then Romeo, he went up to Juliet," explains Noelle Oyler in her humorous solo, *Romeo and Juliet* in the style of Andy Griffith. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



JV Quiz Bowl is ready to compete at the Midway meet. Team members are Jared Cash, Andy Bramlage, Julie Nett, and Bryan Salisbury. Photo by Candy Higley.

People get a little crazy at speech meets. Kelly Dishon dances around to pass some time. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



"I've got pig crap under my eyelids!" exclaims Mandie Loroff in her humorous solo *Harris and Me*. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



## What is your favorite part of a speech meet?



"Getting to meet new people is the best part," remarked junior Rebecca Bonz.



"Sitting around listening to music and talking," commented freshman Andy Bramlage.



"My favorite part was sitting around playing cards and talking to everyone," commented freshman Sandi Nelson.



**Quiz Bowl team members** Karen Oyerly, Regina Huff, Mandie Loroff, and Tabitha Gibson are excited to have made it to the finals at the regional quiz bowl meet. They listen to the moderator read the next question. Photo by Candy Higley.



Cheerleaders help keep the spirit up, even during a slow game. Lindsey Rosenberger and Jennifer Engemann are cheering at a basketball game at McLouth. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



"The first eight counts go like this," explains Stacey Wiedmer at an early morning practice. Photo by Candy Higley.



### What is the best part of Cheerleading, Flags, or T-Club?



"The best part about being a cheerleader was being out in front of people in the spotlight," said sophomore Noelle Oyler.



"The best part about being in flags was getting to perform interesting, fun routines," commented junior Sherry Duncan.



"Being in T Club shows that I've actively participated in many activities," stated senior Bryce Wiedmer.



Cheerleaders Noelle Oyler and Renee Scholz help the homecoming candidates prepare for the crowning. Photo by Lindsay Christenson.





# Spirited groups get new sponsors

Changes at THIS were commonplace. Many of the clubs and organizations underwent a few changes. The cheerleading and flag squads and T-Club were no exceptions.

"Cheering has had its ups and downs because of all the changes, but through all the sweat and tears we've survived," said member of the squad for three years and captain Mandie Loroff.

Along with new sponsors, Cathy Alexander and Julie Scholz, the cheerleaders did some new and different things.

For one, they had two squads, a fall squad, and a winter squad. In past years they had only one squad that cheered throughout the year.

During the summer, the cheerleaders worked hard to get ready for the new season. They had cheerleaders from *Elite Cheerleading Camps* come to Troy to teach them cheers, stunts, and dance routines. They also went to NCA camp at Highland. They received a superior rating on their performance of a cheer and a stunt.

Members of the fall squad were Mandie Loroff, captain, Candy Higley, Tabitha Gibson, Renee Scholz, and Noelle Oyler.

The winter squad consisted of Mandie Loroff, Renee Scholz, Tabitha Gibson, Noelle Oyler, Jennifer Engemann, and Lindsey Rosenberger.

The flag squad also got a new sponsor, Mr. Darren Jenkins, instructor of music at Troy schools.

They performed routines at football and basketball games.

The flag squad included Stacey Wiedmer, Sherry Duncan, Julie Nett, Becky Boaz, and Christy Seiter.

"It takes a lot of responsibility to be in flags because each person is responsible for learning her own part and working together as a team. We also have to make up our own routines so it also takes creativity. It was a pleasure to see each person improving," commented Stacey Wiedmer, captain.

T-Club was a club for anyone who lettered in athletics or other extra-curricular activities.

Coach Kevin Kelley, T-club sponsor, stated, "It's a big, very active club. The main thing we do is give plaques to the seniors who have lettered and take care of the plaques in the hallway."

Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey was the assistant sponsor. The T-Club officers were Brycen Wiedmer, president; Brady Jasper, vice-president; Jennifer

Engemann, secretary; and Josh Ruhnke, treasurer.

The alumni basketball tournament was the main fund-raiser for T-club.

"It's been a great year. Even though we've had a few changes, it's gone smoothly. Next year it will be even better!" exclaimed Julie Nett. Copy by Candy Higley.

**Being a member** of a performing squad takes a lot of work. Tabitha Gibson, Mandie Loroff, and Candy Higley are perfecting a stunt to be used in a routine. Photo by Sherry Duncan.



**Brycen Wiedmer**, Nikia Rosenberger and Coach Kevin Kelley are discussing the details of the alumni tournament. Photo by Candy Higley.



**Queen of Courts candidates**, Dana Stanton, Travis Davies, Traci Simmons, Brady Jasper, Queen Brook Luedke, King Jeremy Masters, Karen Oyerly, and Glen Gronniger. The crown bearers and flower girls were Whitney Franken, Kevin Luedke, Casey Cross, and Brent Leger. Photo by Barbara Luedke.



**THIS's royalty for 1995** are Miss Brook Luedke and Mr. Jeremy Masters. Brook is very active in volleyball and basketball and would like to play in college. Jeremy is a very active basketball player and would also like to play in college. Photo by Bray.

Did you like having the Queen of Courts Dance on the same night as the crowning?



"It really didn't bother me. It was fine the way it was. I still had a great time," commented junior Bryan Salisbury.



"No! Everything felt so rushed. It doesn't really matter, because I still would have looked terrible," stated sophomore Lindsey Rosenberger.



"Yes, because everybody was already dressed up for the occasion," commented junior Lindsay Christenson.



Watching the exciting game from their reserved seats are Queen of Courts candidates Traci Simmons, Dana Stanton, Karen Oyerly, and Queen Brook Luedke. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



Blowing up balloons for Queen of Courts is Kelly Dishon. Kelly is in pep club and they helped decorate the gym for the dance. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



## *Brook and Jeremy reign over THS*

**I**t was a dark and cold night with stars shining. But they weren't stars in the sky, they were candidates for THS's 1995 Queen of Courts.

The gym was decorated with red and white hearts. Both JV games and the varsity girls' basketball game had been played. So far it had been a sweep. The varsity boys were down by five at the end of the first half, but that didn't hinder the excitement. Now it was time for the big half-time moment: the crowning of the king and queen.

And the winners are . . . Mr. Jeremy Masters and Miss Brook Luedke, Troy High School's Queen of Courts Royalty for 1995.

Other candidates and escorts were Karen Oyerly, Traci Simmons, Dana Stanton, Travis Davies, Brady Jasper, and Glen Groninger.

The flower and crown bearers for this magical moment were Casey Cross, Whitney Franken, Brent Leger, and Kevin Luedke.

"I was very surprised that I got queen, but I was very excited when they called my name," recalls Brook Luedke.

"It was very unexpected, but I felt very honored," said Jeremy Masters.

The boys didn't give up. They played a well-balanced game, and went on to defeat the Oskaloosa Bears, 67-55. The night was a complete success!

After the game, the students and alumni were invited to attend the annual dance. The music was provided by Doug Keller.

The song "Always" by Bon Jovi was the theme of the dance. The old gym was decorated with many red, white, and pink streamers, balloons, and hearts. The gym, however, was not able to be decorated until after the boys' JV game was over.

"Everybody tried their hardest to make everything work. But yet, it was still pretty boring at the dance!" commented Jill Wiedmer.

This year's Queen of Courts didn't have quite the festivities that Homecoming had. . . But it was still as exciting and full of suspense.

"A few students were disappointed about not having a pep rally for Queen of Courts. But after some thoughts and discussions about the participation at prior pep rallies by the student body, it was decided best not to have one," added cheerleader Tabitha Gibson. *Copy by Jennifer Engemann*



**Kelly Dishon** and Renee Scholz are the two mice in the fable "The Country Mouse and the City Mouse." They are trying to escape the cats by running through a mouse door. The cats were played by Brook Luedke and Nancy Mitchell. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



**Acting out the part of Reginald Rodent** is Kelly Dishon, in the fable "The City Mouse and the Country Mouse." Reginald Rodent was the city mouse and he was talking about how it would be nice to visit his cousin in the country. Photo by Tabitha Gibson



**Telling everyone how great she is as she dances around the room** is the hare played by Mandie Loroff. She was acting out part of the fable "The Tortoise and the Hare." Photo by Tabitha Gibson



# The I-Act performs 'fabulously'

The "Fabulous Fable Factory" was performed by the one-act cast for their speech competition. It is a fable composed of three of Aesop's famous fables.

The three fables are "The Tortoise and the Hare," "The Ant and the Grasshopper," and "The Country Mouse and the City Mouse." They are old stories that have been modernized in this play.

The story is about a little girl and a fable factory. One day the little girl stumbles upon the factory and accidentally bumps into a lever that turns the factory on. The factory wakes up from its 2,000-year sleep. Since it has been asleep for so long, it can't think of any more morals for the fables. The little girl stays and helps the fable factory think of morals. She more or less becomes a part of the fable factory. After some time, she decides she needs to leave so she can go live her own life. When she leaves, the factory is very sad and they can't think of any more morals.

The one-act cast received a I rating at the league meet and at the Horton meet. This qualified them for state. They only had to receive a I rating at one meet in order to qualify for state. State was held

April 29 at Johnson County Community College in Kansas City. There they received a I rating and gold medals.

"I was very pleased with their performance, particularly since we have inexperienced freshmen and seniors performing. I think it is a fun play and the kids always seem to have fun doing it," remarked Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey, director.

The one-act got a chance to show-off their winning act by performing for the grade school students. They also performed at a program held at the high school. The program was to showcase the performances of those who qualified for state speech and state music. Afterwards, refreshments were served.

The performers of the one-act included Nikia Rosenberger, Kelly Dishon, Regina Huff, Renee Scholz, Mandie Loroff, Noelle Oyler, Nancy Mitchell, Brook Luedke, and Jared Cash. James Huss was the prop manager and Lindsay Christenson was the student director, assisted by Jamie Wykert.  
*Copy by Traci Simmons*



The members of the one-act are spelling out the word "fable." They are the fable factory. Photo by Bray



Helping Renee Scholz, Regina Huff, and Kelly Dishon is Lindsay Christenson. She was putting scripts into place right before they were to perform at state. Photo by Mr. Lyle Rockey.

## How did you like being involved in the I-Act?

Jared Cash commented, "It was cool! I enjoyed getting to play an old guy because I've never done that before."



Regina Huff stated, "It was a lot of fun being able to go to State with the group we had. We all work together really well and have a lot of fun."

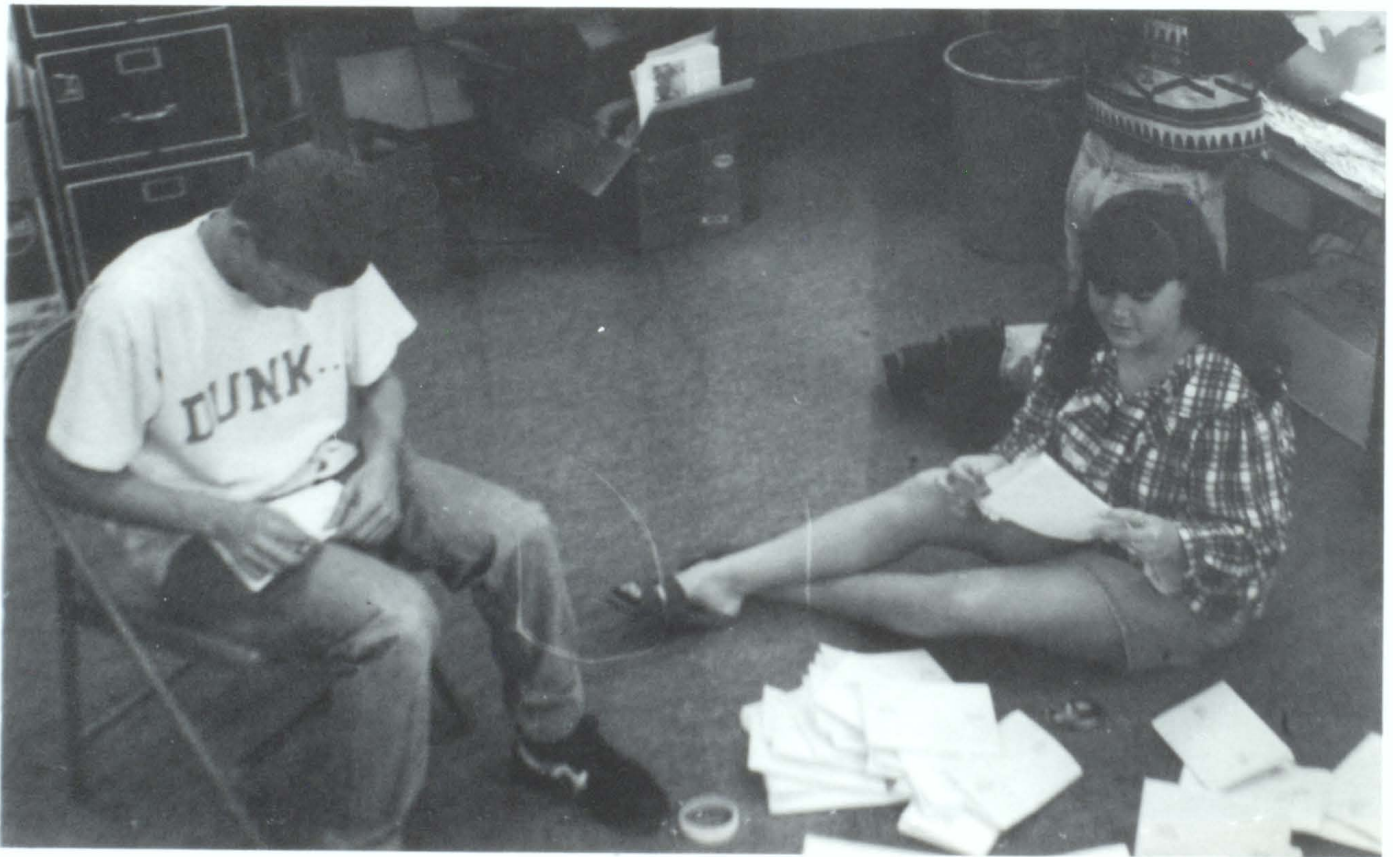


James Huss commented, "It was very interesting, and it has inspired me to be involved next year."



Better Keep  
Busy

Copying articles for speech class is James Huss. Students had to research information for informative speeches in Mrs. Rockey's fundamentals of speech class. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



Preparing the newsletter for mailing are Glen Gronniger and Staci Schultz in publications class. Preparing, folding, taping, labeling, and mailing the newsletter were some of the many tasks those in the class were responsible for. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



# Teachers and students striving to learn

Reading, writing, and arithmetic were among the many subjects taught and learned in the 1994-'95 school year.

A variety of classes were taught including vocational, music, science, business, math, language, and social studies.

"My favorite class is Home Ec. II. I like to cook things," said Kelli Simmons.

"My favorite class is Advanced Ag," stated Bryan Salisbury.

When asked what the best part of her job was, Pam Keller, library assistant, stated, "I like being with

the kids. I also like working with Mrs. Smith. I get to work with the kids at the grade school, middle school, and high school."

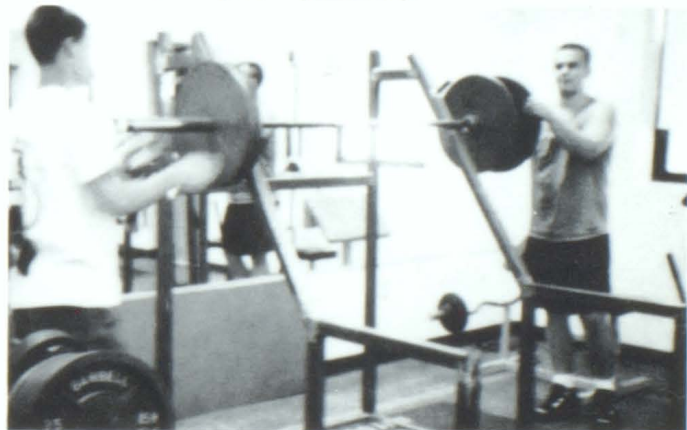
A vital part of any school is the faculty and staff. These people, though often unrecognized, made school one of the most important parts of their lives. They had to deal with the new construction and work around it. Many were given new rooms and had to move all of their books, etc. out.

"To prepare for reconstruction we met with architects to tell them what we had in mind; then we boxed things up and moved them to the gym. After the room was ready we moved boxes in and unloaded them. I liked where I was in the old art room, but this is far better," explained art teacher, Mrs. Nancy Clisbee. *Copy by Crystal Penny*

Peering at microorganisms in pond water is Joel Ashburn in his college biology class. Photo by Mandie Loroff.



Overlooking the gold fish pond while on their family living field trip to the Haderway House are Crystal Penny, Tracey McNemee, and Nikia Rosenberger. The class toured the house and grounds after eating dinner in the house. Photo by Mrs. Anna Goss.



Removing weights from the bar in the new weight room in weights and conditioning class are Brady Jasper and Benjy Cook. Weights and conditioning, along with the required freshmen P.E. classes, was taught by Coach Frank Davis. The new weight room provided more space for those working out. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



What an excellent year' -- Annie Jensen

## *Students prepare for real world*

Classes which are sometimes the students' favorites are the vocational classes. These classes go beyond the three basic fields of reading, writing, and arithmetic. They are often the first choice of many THS students.

Family Living, a class offered only to seniors, prepared students for marriage and children. Some class projects they did throughout the year include a mock wedding. It was carried out like a real one would be. After the wedding, a reception was in the concession area of the new gym.

The students also took care of "egg babies," which they cared for as if they were their own children. The class also made a doll house and sold chances for it at home ball games. Refinishing furniture was also a class project. Home Economics 1 and 2, which included sewing and cooking, and Independent Living, sewing the first semester and cooking the last semester, were also taught by Mrs. Anna Goss.

A new facility was recently added to the school system. The new building is located between the high school and middle school. In it are Mr. Fred

Folsche's room and shop along with Mr. Darrell Wapp's shop, class room, and greenhouse.

Intro to Ag, plant and soil sciences, animal science, and advanced ag mechanics were taught by Mr. Wapp. One project the advanced ag mechanics class did was rebuild Mr. Wapp's truck. Other class projects were growing cucumber plants, raising fish, and learning the basic shop skills.

Many individuals who liked to work with wood enjoyed taking Industrial Arts 1 and 2 and then Advanced Industrial Arts. These were all under the direction of Mr. Folsche. The first part of the year the class spent time drawing, while the second half they made a project.

Drawing, painting, making masks, and using clay pottery were some interesting projects the art students enjoyed doing. Mrs. Nancy Clisbee taught students to use their talent to the best of their ability in Art 1 and Art 2. A new larger art room was put in place where the old cafeteria was.

Overall, vocational classes got students involved and prepared them for the future they were about to begin. *Copy by Mandy Robinson.*



Looking at the new plants that have just been planted are Julie Nett and Kelly Dishon. Meanwhile, Sarah Geiger and Nicole Kinsey explore the new greenhouse. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.





**Making clay masks** was one project the art students liked. Here at work is Jason McNeeley, while Mrs. Clisbee demonstrates how to do the procedures. Photo by Staci Schultz.



**Putting together a shelf** in Industrial art class is Thad Eylar. This is one of the many projects he did. Photo by Mandy Robinson.



**Biting a mouthful** is Emily Erpelding, while Brook Luedke and Jamie Schmidt look over their Indian and Hawaiian food. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



**Bride Crystal Penny and Groom Gary Stamper** are ready to cut the cake. The mock wedding was presented to the high school by the family living class. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



Chorus was exciting and interesting'-- Dana Stanton

## *THIS band receives a II at State*

The 1994-1995 band and chorus year was off to another new start. This was the fourth year in a row the students had to adjust to a new teacher and the expectations that were needed from them. Both classes were under the direction of Mr. Darren Jenkins. This being his first year here, he planned on breaking the tradition and continuing teaching here at Troy High longer than the usual one year.

Members of the band participated in many fun and exciting activities. At the beginning of the year they marched in the Homecoming parade, and did a half-time performance at the Homecoming ceremony that night. They played pep band music at all home games to get the crowd highly spirited. They put on a Christmas program and a Spring Musical, while the chorus participated in them both also.

Competing at Regionals and State were the two main events they took part in. At Regionals the flute trio, consisting of Stacey Wiedmer, Kristina Drake, and Mandie Loroff, received a I rating and qualified for state. Stacey Wiedmer did a flute solo and received a II, while Larry Huff received a II rating on his trombone solo. Regina Huff received a II on her clarinet solo.

"An Irish Interlude" and "Of Pride and Celebration" were the two pieces the band performed at State, receiving a II. At State the flute trio received a I rating. A II rating was given to Stacey Wiedmer for her flute solo. To end the year, they played "Pomp and Circumstance" for graduation.

As for the chorus, it had an excellent year also. Becky Boaz qualified for state with her vocal solo at Regional music. Candy Higley received a II rating on her vocal solo, while James Huss received a III rating on his. The chorus overall received a II rating for their small group ensembles. Becky Boaz received a I at State competition.

Larry Huff and Regina Huff, both students of Mr. Jenkins' band, participated in a summer band camp. Larry went to Kansas State University to the Masonic band camp. He finished up by playing in the Kansas High School Football Shrine Bowl.

Regina went to Fort Hays State University and participated in the Kansas State Lions band camp. Over 200 other students were present. The Grand Finale concert was in the Bach-Schmidt Performance Center. Copy by Mandy Robinson



**Regina Huff**, a clarinet soloist, is ready to perform her piece at Regionals where she received a II rating. Photo by Mandie Loroff.



"Melody Flows" was sung at Regionals by Dana Stanton, Noelle Oyler, Becky Boaz, April Feek, Jamie Christenson, Candy Higley, Kristy Clary, and James Huss. The group was directed by Mr. Darren Jenkins, and received a II rating. Photo by Mandie Loroff.



Waiting patiently for her turn to play in "An Irish Interlude" is Stacey Wiedmer. She was a participant in band all four of her high school years, playing the flute. Photo by Mandie Loroff.



Do', re', me', fa', so', la', te', do', are the notes being sung by the THS chorus. The group did vocal exercises at the beginning of the class daily. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



Left, left, left, right, left; here comes the THS marching band. They took part in the Homecoming Parade playing pep music to help get the crowd highly spirited and in the mood to yell! The group showed off their pride by wearing the Trojan colors of blue and white. Photo by Kevin McNorton.



"I really like the lab work in chemistry, although I don't really like wearing the goggles!" exclaimed Stacey Wiedmer. Stacey is a member of the first-hour chemistry class. The class had been learning about chemical bonds. Photo by M.A. Loroff



"What bone is this?" Jill Wiedmer asks Lindsey Rosenberger as Kelli Simmons picks out another bone. Photo by M.A. Loroff.



"I'll make the chromosomes," states Travis Jenkins as Tabitha Gibson watches. Photo by M.A. Loroff.



'I think that chemistry was a BLAST' -- Andrew Clary

## *Science classes seem to evolve*

**B**lowing things up, dissecting animals and listening to lectures--no, it's not the result of a wild Friday night--it's science class.

This year, besides offering biology, chemistry, anatomy, and zoology, college biology was offered as a dual-credit course through Highland Community College.

"Teaching a college course was a new experience for me so I didn't know what to expect," stated Mr. Kevin McNorton.

"The best part of college biology was when we were

making chromosomes out of clay and Joel Ashburn threw his clay in the air and accidentally stuck it to the ceiling," stated Megan Miner.

Perhaps the most significant change to the THS science department was a new teacher. Mr. McNorton, originally from Great Bend, Kansas, arrived in Troy, July, 1994, to add his 13 years of teaching experience to the THS staff.

The anatomy class's goal was to learn the anatomy and physiology of all the systems in the body.

"Dissecting lambs was good and fun...it almost lived, but we had to amputate," exclaimed Larry Huff, referring to the lamb legs they dissected.

The chemistry class spent their class time learning about the materials that make up the earth and how they interact with each other.

"The tests are a lot easier than they were in biology or anatomy, but the information was more difficult to understand," Justin Johnson declared.

The biology students studied living systems, ranging from the cell to multi-cellular organisms.

"The funniest part of biology class was when Chris Hoverson got clay stuck in my hair and Mr. McNorton had to pull it out," laughed Sarah Boehl.

The students in college biology switched to zoology during the second semester. They spent lab time concentrating on the vertebrate animals and their body plans.

"The class was easy. The labs were the best part about it, other than our great discussions," said Craig Scholz. *Copy by M.A. Loroff*

**Joel Ashburn, Bryan Salisbury, and Kelly Dishon** watch the dissection of a lamb leg in anatomy. Photo by Staci Schultz.

**Looking through the microscope.** Nancy Mitchell tries to locate amoeba in pond scum. Photo by M.A. Loroff.



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Darrell Wapp  
 Dale Whiteside  
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The 1994-1995 School Board Members are: Front row: Beth Fischer, Warren Grable, Jr., president, and Thad Geiger, vice-president. Row 2: Gary Davies, Hugh Kinsey, Miles Gibson, and Arlen Ruhnke. Photo by Staci Schultz.



"This year has been great! It won't be my last!" -- Mr. Jenkins

## *New year brings in new teachers*

The 1994-1995 school year was off to a new beginning with the addition of three new teachers: Mr. Darren Jenkins, instrumental band and chorus; Mr. Kevin McNorton, science; and Mr. Steven Thompson, computers and math.

Mr. Jenkins, a graduate from Washburn University and a beginning teacher, taught grades 5-12 instrumental band, and 9-12 chorus. His past musical experience included playing in orchestras that backed up Bob Hope and Ray Charles. He played in bands for the Ringling Brothers Barnum & Bailey Circus and also at the Wrangler Pro Rodeo. Mr. Jenkins, an accomplished composer, has music for concert, marching bands, and jazz ensembles to his credits.

Not only was Mr. Jenkins busy teaching, he was also the flag team sponsor and helped incorporate it into the marching band activities. He helped them do routines in both football and basketball half-time performances.

Mr. McNorton, a graduate from Kansas State University, with 13 years of experience teaching, taught anatomy, biology, chemistry, along with college biology. Mr. McNorton was the head basketball and volleyball coach for the middle school girls. Some of his favorite hobbies include fishing, golfing, hunting, and gardening.

Mr. Thompson came from Emporia State after receiving his teaching certificate in math and science. He lived in much larger cities than Troy, such as Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Wichita, Kansas. Mr. Thompson was involved in extra-curricular activities. He was the THS knowledge bowl team coach.

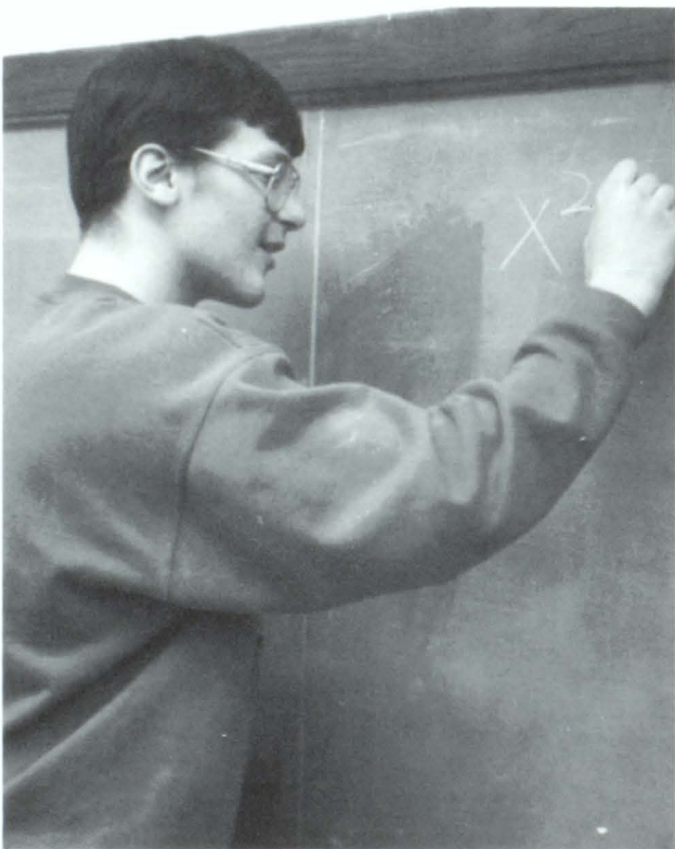
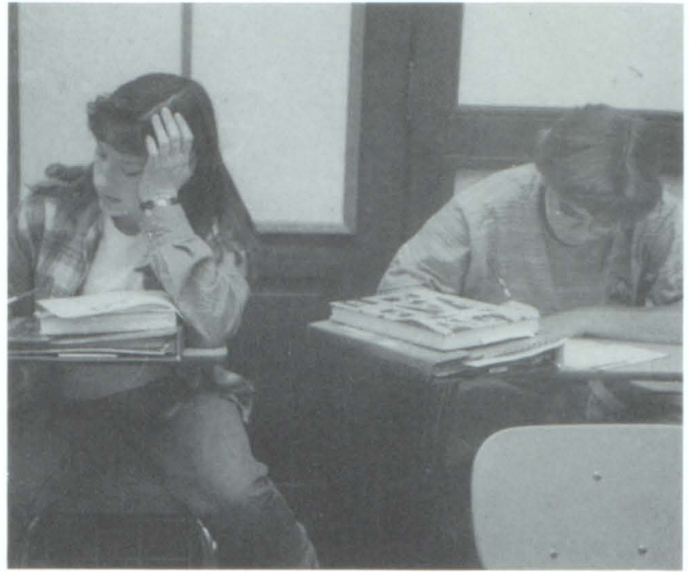
"It has been a very busy and quite a hectic year around here. I really enjoyed teaching the students here at THS because I like each and every one of them. I am really looking forward to coming back here again next school year," commented Mr. Thompson. *Copy by Mandy Robinson.*



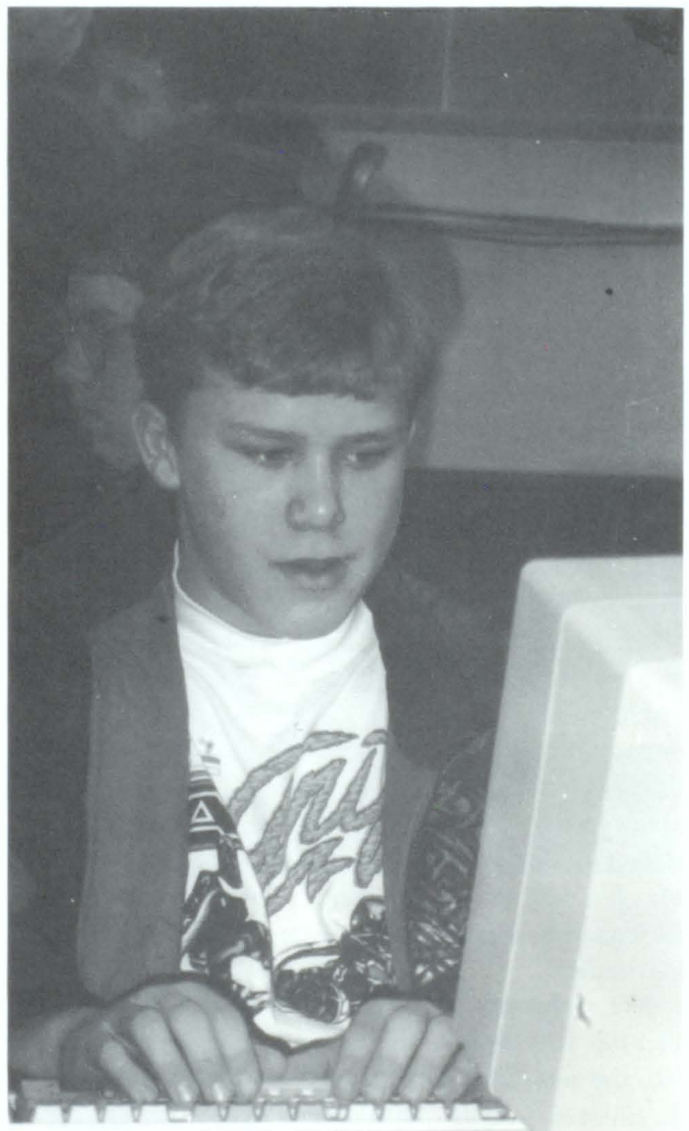
Mr. Dale Whiteside's accounting class works diligently to complete their money problem assignment. Photo by M.A. Loroff.



Working to finish their assignment, Shanna Wright and Jamie Christenson concentrate on the worksheet given to them that day. Photo by M.A. Loroff.



Freshman Willie Clary is beginning to solve a problem for "X." That is just one of the things taught in pre-algebra. Photo by M.A. Loroff.



Typing for time, freshman Aaron Clary races against the clock to get a good grade on his keyboarding assignment. The keyboarding class is taught by Dale Whiteside. Photo by M.A. Loroff.



I've really enjoyed my first year at THS' --Mr. Steve Thompson

## *Students achieve in math classes*



Addition. . . subtraction. . . keyboarding. . . .the exchange of money...What do these things have in common? They are all a part of the business and math classes at THS.

Mr. Steve Thompson, a first year teacher at THS, instructed the pre-algebra and advanced math classes.

"Mr. Thompson is a good teacher. He makes sure that we understand everything before we go on and is always willing to help us when we need it," remarked Thad Eylar.

"I think that math this year was fairly simple. I learned a lot. Mr. Thompson is very helpful," commented Shanna Wright.

Miss Cheryl Koelsch taught the Algebra I and II classes and senior math.

"I really enjoy teaching math at Troy High. I've found that the students are very perceptive and seem to enjoy learning," stated Miss Koelsch.

"Algebra II was very challenging. It took a lot of hard work to understand it," commented Bryan Salisbury.

"This year in senior math I think that it is easier to understand. We used three different books over the period of the year. We learned basic procedures about trigonometry, calculus, and statistics. Overall, I learned a lot of new things in math this year that hopefully will prepare me for college classes," explained Glen Gronniger.

Business law, accounting, and keyboarding were a part of the daily routine for Mr. Dale Whiteside.

"Accounting has helped me fully understand how money works. I will use the information I learned in this class in the future," stated Damon Shelton.

"Keyboarding was relatively easy this year because we had to take it in junior high," explained Aaron Clary.

"Business law was a pretty simple class because we only had two members," exclaimed Tracey McNemee.

Mr. Bruce Reynolds spent his time teaching economics to the THS students.

"Economics is a fun class. Mr. Reynolds is a great teacher and he is really helpful," said Lonna Neumann. *Copy by M.A. Loroff*

"Where do I start?" sighs junior Justin Johnson. He is in Mr. Thompson's advanced math class. Photo by M.A. Loroff.



**During the Spanish class.** Regina Huff directs Jill Wiedmer with Spanish phrases. The members of the Spanish I class participated in this to test their Spanish vocabulary. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



'Students should understand their native language' -- Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey

## *American culture comes alive*

**L**anguage. It is an important part of American culture. It makes people diverse, gives a form of communication, and comes in many different forms of expression.

The students of THIS had three different teachers to help mold their own unique ways of communication. Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey taught Oral Communications as a dual-credit class through Highland Community College. This was her second year of teaching the course. The students involved with this class wrote speeches and presented them to the class, gave readings, and learned about the forms language takes when we use it in everyday life.

The English classes were taught by Mrs. Rockey and Mrs. Babetta Israel. The freshman class had to take grammar class and speech class with Mrs. Rockey and study skills and composition with Mrs. Israel.

The sophomore class had more choices about what English class to take. During the first quarter, Mrs. Rockey taught short story; second quarter, mythology; third quarter, advanced speech; and fourth quarter, newswriting. Mrs. Israel taught literary exploration, Poe/mystery writers, creative writing, and spelling and grammar review.

"I took advanced speech to prepare for forensics. It was fun!" exclaimed Nancy Mitchell.

The newswriting class helped prepare the sophomore class for publications class as juniors.

"Newswriting was an interesting class and we learned a lot about journalism," commented Julie Nett.

The publications class was taught by Mrs. Rockey. During the year the class designed the yearbook, published *The Trojan Trumpet*, wrote stories, and competed in regional and state journalism contests. Traci Simmons, Keith Hinds, Brook Luedke, Jennifer Engemann, Candy Higley, Mandie Loroff, and Karen Oyerly qualified to compete in the state journalism contest.

The junior and senior English classes were combined. Mrs. Rockey taught advanced grammar, genre analysis (12th), modern British literature, and theatre survey. Mrs. Israel taught expository writing, research (11th), vocabulary, and American western literature.

*Si habla español?* The Spanish I and II classes were taught by Mrs. Toni Larson. The Spanish II class made Spanish coloring books for the grade school and the Spanish I class made their own scavenger hunt using Spanish phrases.

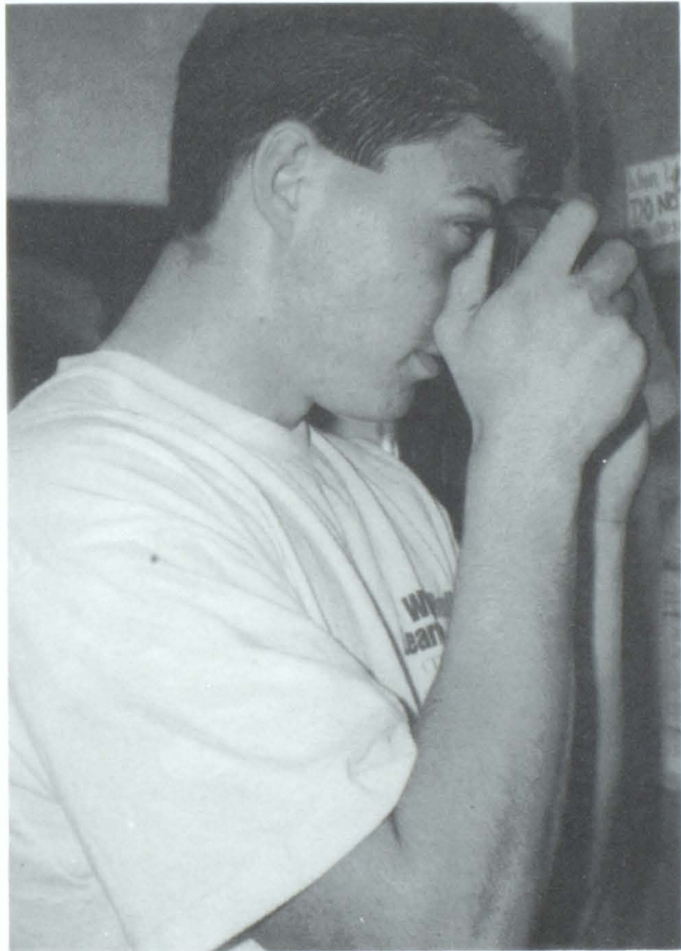
"I really enjoy Spanish class. Someday, I would like to teach Spanish to little kids," remarked Staci Schultz. *Copy by M.A. Loroff.*



Presenting their commercial are Jeremy Grable and Jason Dishon. The Spanish I class had to make a commercial using only Spanish phrases. Photo by Lindsay Christenson.



"Quoth the raven...nevermore." Katherine Robinson performs Edgar Allen Poe's *The Raven*, for her freshman speech class. Photo by M. A. Loroff.



Concentrating on the perfect picture, Keith Hinds gets ready to take a picture of one of his fellow classmates. As a photographer, Keith spends his time taking pictures and developing them for the yearbook. Photo by M.A. Loroff.



"Dump cakes are simple to make and they taste great!" exclaims Lacey Thomas. During the year, the class gave six speeches, the first being a demonstration. Photo by Tabitha Gibson.



I had a great time in college psychology' -- Tracey McNemee

## *The mind is less of a mystery*

Libido...O.J. Simpson...George Washington...The Constitution...and foreign countries...what do these have in common? They are all a part of the social science classes at THS.

Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey taught college psychology as a dual-credit course through Highland Community College. This is the first time that this course has been offered at Troy High School.

During the first quarter, the class took a field trip to the Glore Psychiatric Museum in St. Joseph, Missouri.

Lacey Thomas stated, "I think that the museum field trip was really cool because we got a realistic perspective of how the mentally ill were treated before people realized that they were people too."

Current events and the American government classes were taught by Mr. Bruce Reynolds. During the government class, Mrs. Diana Carlin, an associate professor of Communication Studies at the University of Kansas, spoke to the class about running a campaign.

The current events class spent their class time learning about...current events!

"I took this class just because I wanted to catch up on all of the current events," laughed Aaron Davies.

Mr. Lyle Rockey, taught geography, world history, and American history during the 1994-95 school year.

"I decided to take geography this year because I wanted to learn more about different countries. There are so many different places you hear about on

the news, it's nice to know where they actually are," explained Kelli Simmons.

One of the subjects the American history class learned about was the Revolutionary War and how it affected the United States in the future.

"We watched the movie, *1776*, about the Declaration of Independence. There was a lot of singing in it," exclaimed Amy Moore.

"The most interesting subject we learned about in world history was the Aztec and Inca cultures. The Indians performed sacrifices to their gods to keep them on their good side," stated Sherry Duncan.

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**Chas Duncan, Lonna Neumann, and Sherry Duncan** participate in a group discussion in American history. Photo by M.A. Loroff.



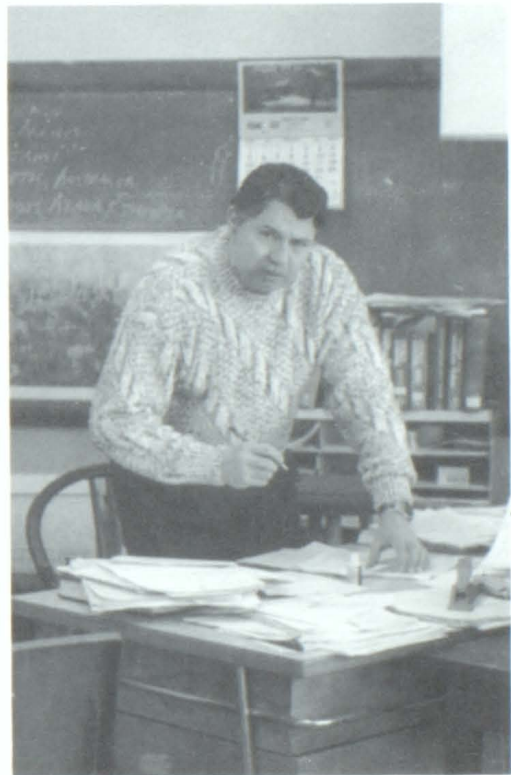
**Diana Carlin** speaks to the government class about campaigning in a political race. Photo by Staci Schultz.



"What shape am I thinking of?" asks Tabitha Gibson as she and Glen Gronniger participate in a experiment for the college psychology class. During college psychology the class learned about the mind and how signals are sent and received. Photo by M.A. Loroff.



**Jason Dishon and Travis Culp** each give their own opinions about the government assignment. The class worked with books the first semester, then learned how to do taxes the second semester. Photo by M.A. Loroff

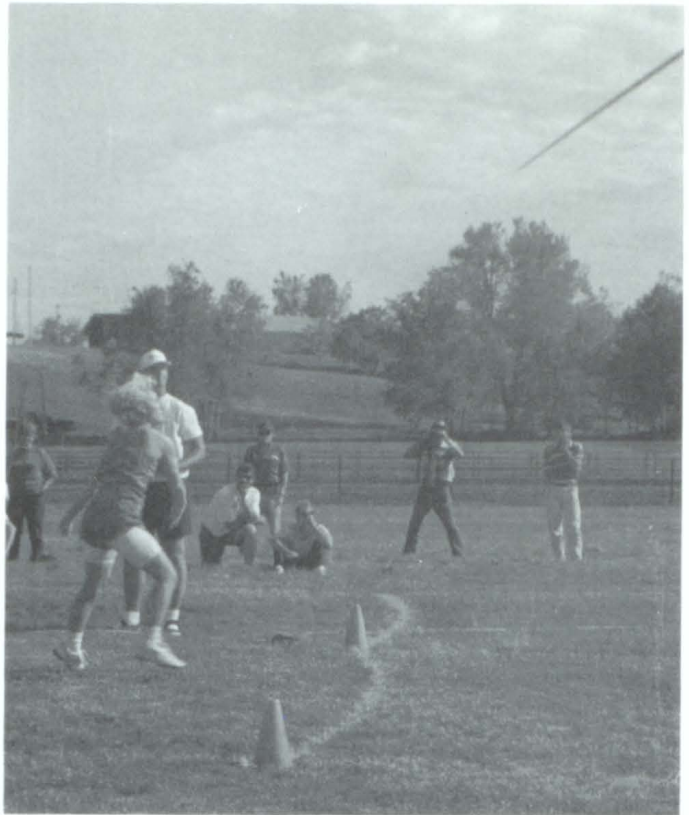


**Mr. Lyle Rockey** takes roll before lecturing to his American history class. The class was learning about the Civil War. Photo by M.A. Loroff.



Better Get  
Prepared

Launching her best throw of the year at the Regionals track meet at Onaga is Nicole Kinsey. Nicole set a school record in the javelin with a throw of 111' 0". Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



It's finally over! The seniors line up to receive their diplomas. They take the step from being seniors to high school graduates. This moment is filled with anticipation, excitement, and worry. Photo by Staci Schultz.



# Seniors experience spring fever

Spring fever was evident in most students, especially the seniors. Symptoms of senioritis were very common. These included boredom, excitement, worry, and impatience.

Spring activities kept most students busy. The spring play, track, senior trip, graduation, and award ceremonies filled the spring calendar. Other activities students did were mushroom hunting, finding new jobs, and starting to work on that great tan.

"I'm afraid the powder chamber is too close to the balloon," states Nancy Mitchell (Mrs. DePinna) as she and her partner Larry Huff (Paul Sycamore) examine rockets they are making for the Fourth of July while Karen Oyerly (Penny Sycamore) contemplates a new story line for her plays. Photo by Jeremy Grable.



The top male athlete award was presented to Brady Jasper by Don Cash at the senior awards banquet. This award was voted on by all the coaches in the high school. Photo by Staci Schultz.

Graduation was definitely the biggest step in most of the seniors' lives, up to that point. Many seniors were ready to graduate, but not so ready to leave their long-time friends. Each student felt the need to get ready for his or her future. "Better Get Prepared" was commonly heard. Many planned to stick around Troy, but others were ready for a change. Their plans ranged from going to Highland Community College to being a truck driver. Most of the students planned to go to college, get a good job, or get married.

No matter what his or her plans, each student realized the need to dream and aim for the highest possible goals in their lives. Copy by Crystal Penny



A day on the water of Lake Powell was enjoyed by the seniors. Brook Luedke drives the boat while Nikia Rosenberger watches Glen Gronniger skiing behind. Photo by Brady Jasper.



**Nikia Rosenberger** gives her father, Larry Huff, a hug goodbye. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



**She spins, she twirls, she leaps!** Mandie Loroff's character Essie was a ballerina dancer in the making. She would constantly practice around the house whenever she heard her husband Ed, Shane Peden, play music. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



**Having a dinner discussion** are Jared Cash, Kelly Dishon, Candy Higley, Nancy Mitchell, Karen Oyerly, and Mandie Loroff during Act II of *You Can't Take It with You*. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.

### What was your most memorable moment of the play?

"When Brycen accidentally (not) dumped paint in Josh's hair while we were painting the set," recalls Jeremy Masters.



"When Nikia and Larry got a little too excited about their hug, and ended up knocking the aquarium off its stand and it shattered," recalls Karen Oyerly.



"My most memorable moment was when Jeremy told Lindsey not to get paint on him, but she did anyway," stated Josh Rulinke.





Shanna Wright fills glasses of water as she helps to prepare the tables for the dinner theater. Shanna was one of the many servers that evening. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.

Cast members are. Front row: Sarah Boeh, Jaylon Ashburn, Christy Gibson, Nicole Kinsey, Aaron Clary. Row 2: Sandi Nelson, Mandie Loroff, Nancy Mitchell, Kelly Dishon, Karen Oyerly, Noelle Oyer. Row 3: Renee Scholz, Candy Higley, Becky Boaz, Shane Peden, Nikia Rosenberger, Glen Gronniger, Larry Huff, Sarah Geiger, Jared Cash, Andy Bramlage, Regina Huff. Photo by Bray.



## *Play pulls in record attendance*

**L**ights, Camera, Action! *You Can't Take It with You* was the play performed March 23 and 24. Written by George S. Kauffman and Moss Hart, the play centers on a bizarre family in the 1930's and how you can't take your money with you when you die.

Alice, played by Nikia Rosenberger, thinks her family is plain weird and she wants to take a short leave from them. Her family and her boyfriend Tony, played by Glen Gronniger, do their best to get her to stay. On the other hand, Tony's father, Anthony, Jared Cash, refuses to let Tony and Alice get married. Throughout the play Kelly Dishon is the voice of reason. She plays the part of Alice's grandmother, Martina Vanderhoff. Martina offers her wisdom, insight, and experience on life itself.

After all the crazy things, like rockets blowing up and everybody getting thrown in jail, are over, they convince Alice to stay and Anthony allows the marriage.

For the first time, Troy High School had its own lighting system and used new sound equipment owned by the grade school. It was made easier and handier, instead of always having to borrow everything from everybody else.

The spring play also featured the annual dinner theater. This time, the most tickets ever were sold

for the dinner, the total count being 106. The menu was baked potatoes, with broccoli, cheese, chili, a salad bar, and a dessert table. Gracie Christenson and Joan Oyerly were in charge of the dinner.

"I had fun pretending to be a ballerina dancer. It was *wild!* The last night we performed, I decided to make my character more interesting. So I tripped (on purpose) as I was running up the stairs, while chasing Nikia," recalled Mandie Loroff.

"For never knowing our lines at practice, the performances were great. All in all, the cast was a fun group to work with. By the way, I still don't think that Mandie's fall was on purpose!! I couldn't decide whether to laugh at her, or make a comment about her awkwardness," commented Nikia Rosenberger.

After the play was over, Director Martha-Jean Rockey was presented with a bouquet of flowers. Later the entire play cast and crew, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Rockey, enjoyed a pizza party at the Pizza Hut in Wathena.

The cast and crew worked really hard on making this production flawless. They started the practices the first week of February. Even though a few tempers were raised and some people's nerves were shot, the play could be considered a complete success! *Copy by Jennifer Engemann.*





**The 1995 Trojan Track team looking forward** to one of the greatest years in the history of track at Troy High School. Both the boys' and the girls' teams set several new school records over the course of the season and won many of the meets they participated in. Front row: Josh Ruhke, Jason Dishon, Brycen Wiedmer, Brook Luedke, and Karen Oyerly. Row 2: Keith Hinds, Joel Ashburn, Brandon Pierce, Bryan Salisbury, Travis Jenkins, Jennifer Engemann, Candy Higley, Mandie Loroff, and Lindsay Christenson. Row 3: Renee Scholz, Sam Reust, Larry Huff, Clinton McNemee, Kelly Dishon, Lindsey Rosenberger, Jill Wiedmer, Julie Nett, and Regina Huff. Row 4: Adam Clary, Dallas Keller, Nicole Kinsey, Sarah Boeh, Aaron Clary, Jared Cash, Andy Bramlage, Willie Clary, and James Huss. Row 5: Coaches Don Cash, Cheryl Koelsch, and Lyle Rockey. Photo by Bray.

## TRACK SCORES

### New School Records

#### **Girls'**

Triple Jump; Renee Scholz, 30' 1 1/2"  
1600m relay; Kelly Dishon, Jennifer Engemann,  
Lindsey Rosenberger, Renee Scholz, 4:27.0  
Javelin; Nicole Kinsey, 111' 0"

#### **Boys'**

Long Jump; Jason Dishon, 21' 5 1/2"  
800m run; Travis Jenkins, 2:02.70  
400m dash; Jason Dishon, 50.60  
400m relay; Glen Gronniger, Shane Peden,  
Josh Ruhke, and Dallas Keller, 45.89  
1600m relay; Glen Gronniger, Shane Peden,  
Travis Jenkins, and Jason Dishon, 3:34.60

#### **State Results**

Jason Dishon; 3rd 200, 4th 400, 5th long jump  
Travis Jenkins; 3rd 1600, 5th 800  
Bryan Salisbury; 3rd 3200, 6th 1600  
Zach Benitz; 4th pole vault  
Clinton McNemee; Discus did not place

# *Team has record-breaking season*

The 1995 Trojan Track season was a season of great expectations. The team had four members returning that had competed at the state meet the previous year. There were many talented athletes throughout the whole team.

In addition to the talent on the team, the Trojans had one other great advantage, a very talented coaching staff. The head coach, Don Cash, made some big changes this year; for instance, he moved the 400m dash runners, who used to run under Coach Lyle Rockey, to Tom Bond's group, making him the distance/middle distance coach this year. Lyle Rockey coached the short sprinters, jumpers, and pole vaulters, while Cheryl Koelsch coached the throwers.

The boys' team got off to a rather slow start in the beginning, but by the time the McLouth Relays rolled around, the team was ready to show everyone just how good they were. They accomplished this by winning the meet. They were the McLouth Relays champions, the Doniphan County Meet champions, the Delaware Valley League champions, and the Regional Champions, and they also tied for fourth in the state meet.

In addition to the team titles, there were also several new school records set in the 1995 season.

The girls' team had all of the talent that a coach could ask for. They only lacked on thing: numbers. They just simply did not have enough people in enough events to get the points that they needed to win a track meet. The girls' team did, however, set several new school records over the course of the '95 season.

At the state meet, Jason Dishon took fifth in the long jump, as well as fourth in the 400m dash, and third in the 200m dash; Travis Jenkins took third in the 1600m run, as well as fifth in the 800m run; Bryan Salisbury took third in the 3200m run, as well as sixth in the 1600m run; and Zach Benitz placed fourth in the pole vault. Clinton McNemee competed in the discus.

Coach Cash commented, "I was very pleased this year. The boys' team set a goal at the beginning of the year to win the Doniphan County track meet, and then surpassed that by winning the Delaware Valley League meet and the Regional meet. This group of individuals really rose to the occasion and proved to everyone that Troy High School has one of the best track teams around. I am very proud of this track team, and will always remember the 1995 Trojan track season." *Copy by Shane Peden*





**Pulling himself** over the bar is Zach Benitz. The state track meet was very rigorous and demanding. Zach received fourth place for pole vaulting. Photo by Lyle Rockey.



**Receiving the handoff** for the last leg of the 400 meter boys' relay from Shane Peden is Glen Gronniger. A new high school record was set by the relay team this year. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



**Team members** were allowed a little 'r and r' before competing in an event. Coaches were not allowed on the field, but team members would often go to them for advice. Photo by Lyle Rockey.

**Mandie Loroff** hands off the baton to Kelly Dishon. They are competing in the 800-meter relay at the Regional track meet. They placed sixth in this meet ending their season. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



## Was prom everything you expected it would be?

"Prom was really nice and I had a lot of fun. But I thought the after-prom party was boring because I don't like to bowl," commented junior April Feek.



"Yes, I thought prom was really nice. My date and I had a great time. I hope it is just as fun next year!" replied junior Zach Benitz.



"I really wasn't expecting too much for prom. But I still had a good time," commented senior Stacey Wiedmer.



**Balloons were a big part of the prom decorations** this year. Sherry Duncan lends a hand in the strenuous activity of blowing up balloons, while Tabitha Gibson inspects the table decorations. Photo by Staci Schultz.

**Showing off their singing capability** are Keith Hinds, Pat Drake, Brandon Pierce, and Joel Ashburn. These four guys enjoyed singing karaoke at prom. Photo by Jennifer Engemann.



**A sprinkle here, a sprinkle there.** Lindsay Christenson, Jeremy Grable, and Mandy Robinson sprinkled purple, silver, and teal confetti on the mirrors. Confetti was one of the types of decorations used on the tables. Photo by Staci Schultz.



# Prom considered 'storming' success

"Heaven Isn't Too Far Away." This was the theme for the 1995 Junior-Senior prom. The junior class was very busy preparing everything that was necessary for a magical evening.

The prom was located at the St. Joseph Country Club in St. Joseph, Missouri. The tables were decorated with etched crystal glasses, garters, memory books, and decorated napkins.

To start the evening off, the guests were welcomed by Junior Class President Jennifer Engemann, and Senior Class President Nikia Rosenberger gave the response. After everybody had eaten a delicious dinner of baron of beef, twice-baked potatoes, vegetables, and other delicacies they were entertained by guest speaker, Mr. Donald Harter. Mr. Harter recalled all the mischievous things and memories that the grade school teachers remembered about the juniors and seniors during their grade school years.

After he was finished, the students and even some faculty members stood in line to have their pictures taken by Bray Photography.

After pictures were taken, everyone enjoyed an evening of dancing. Fat Cat Productions, a local St. Joseph disc jockey group, was in charge of the music. They played a variety of songs, everything from slow music, to the YMCA, to the hokie pokie, to hard rock.

After prom was over, the students were invited to attend an after-prom party at the Belt Bowl. This was sponsored by the parents of the juniors and seniors and members of the community. At the after-prom party, students were allowed to bowl, play

video games and pool, eat, and win various prizes throughout the course of the evening. They were supposed to be able to play sand volleyball but the weather didn't permit it.

The weather this year was a bit unique. It started as a warm, beautiful, and sunny day. But as the evening progressed, it lightnined, thundered, rained, and hailed, and the wind was fierce. But that didn't stop anybody from having a good time.

A television, a compact disc player, a \$100 savings bond, and a telephone were some of the various prizes that were given away.

Jason Dishon was the winner of the tv, Benjy Cook won the cd player, Mandie Loroff was awarded the savings bond, and Crystal Penny won the telephone.

When asked what she thought of the prom, freshman Sandi Nelson commented, "It was nice, but yet it was unique. I've never really been to anything that elaborate before. I had a lot of fun."

"The place was gorgeous and everything looked beautiful. I had a wonderful time," stated senior Christy Seiter. *Copy by Jennifer Engemann.*



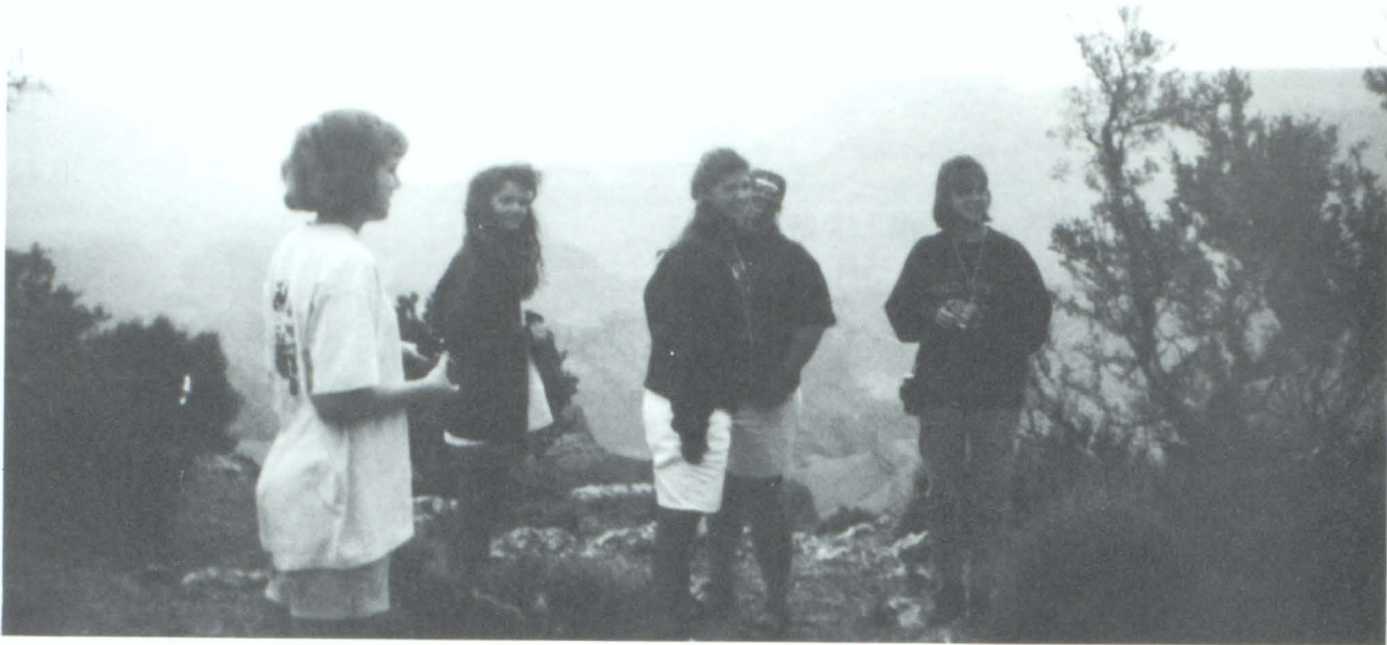
"Does it look okay?" asks Mandy Robinson as she pins a red rose boutonniere on her date, Brady Jasper. Wearing boutonnieres and corsages are a tradition for formal events. Photo by Judy Merritt.



"Oh, please don't let it hit the gutter," says Traci Simmons as she takes her approach while Heath Whetstone checks out the scores. Bowling was one of the many activities that the students participated in at the after-prom party. Photo by Jamie Smith.



**Standing on the edge** of the Grand Canyon are Crystal Penny, Jamie Smith, Brook Luedke, Jamie Schmidt, and Nikia Rosenberger. The beautiful sight is amazing to behold. There were only a few seniors that had ever seen the canyon before. Photo by Traci Simmons



## *Seniors have sun, sand, and fun*

Seventeen seniors along with Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, senior class sponsor, and her husband, Tom, set off for Sedona, Arizona May 13, for the senior trip of a lifetime.

They boarded the plane at 8 A.M. and prepared for the three-hour flight. For most seniors it was the first time they had ever flown.

"The first time we left, I freaked out. It was the scariest thing I have ever done. The second time up wasn't as bad, so I guess it was ok, but definitely not something I would want to do very often or even ever again," commented Jamie Schmidt.

Some students enjoyed their first time flying. Jason Dishon had this to say: "At first I was nervous, but when we got in the air it was fun."

They arrived in Phoenix at 10:30 A.M., Arizona time. Then they were bussed to the place where they picked up two vans that would get them around for the rest of the trip. Before leaving Phoenix, they went shopping and ate lunch at the largest mall in Arizona. Then there was a three-hour drive to Sedona.

In Sedona, a very mountainous, beautiful part of Arizona, they stayed at Poco Diablo Resort. The resort had a nine-hole golf course, a pool, and a hot tub. Everyone settled in and swam a little the first day.

The next morning at 5:30 A.M. they loaded up in the vans and headed for Lake Powell, the largest

man-made lake in the world. They rented two boats and a tiger shark. The water was below 60 degrees, but some brave souls jumped in anyway. As they were getting ready to leave the dock area, Gary Stamper and Jamie Schmidt tipped the tiger shark and fell into the ice cold water. Jamie thought she was going to die because the water gave her body a shock and she could hardly move. She also got yelled at for swimming in the dock area.

Leaving the lake, they made their way to the Grand Canyon. It was a sight that was so magnificent it looked as if they were just looking at a painting. They stayed there and shopped and looked around until sunset. Then they headed back for Sedona and everyone got in the hot tub.

Monday, everyone got to sleep in and then they went shopping. After shopping, some stayed at the resort to swim and lay out, while the rest went on a hike up Bell Rock. After supper there was more swimming and relaxing in the hot tub.

Sadly, Tuesday morning everyone got up and prepared to leave. At 11 A.M. they boarded the plane to return home. They left the beautiful sunny weather to come home to rain and high humidity.

Everyone had a great time. No one got much sleep, because they stayed up to talk, watch TV, or run around the golf course all night long. The senior trip was definitely an experience that will never be forgotten. *Copy by Traci Simmons*

Approaching a beach area are Stacey Wiedmer, Crystal Penny, Brycen Wiedmer, Josh Ruhnke, Roy Thornton, Brady Jasper, and Jason Dishon. They are in one of the two boats that they rented for their day on the lake. Photo by Jamie Smith



Relaxing in the hot tub are Gary Stamper, Brycen Wiedmer, Glen Gronniger, and Jeremy Masters. It is the day before they return home. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger

## What do you think was the best part of the trip?

Jamie Smith remarked, "The best part would have to be just hanging out in the hot tub and swimming with the others. Nighttime was always full of surprises."



Jeremy Masters stated, "Once we got to Lake Powell, I think that it was the most enjoyable. The water was cold, but the surroundings and the lake were beautiful."



Brady Jasper said, "The best part would have to have been just hanging out at the Resort. The golf was ok. The weather was beautiful, the scenery was gorgeous."



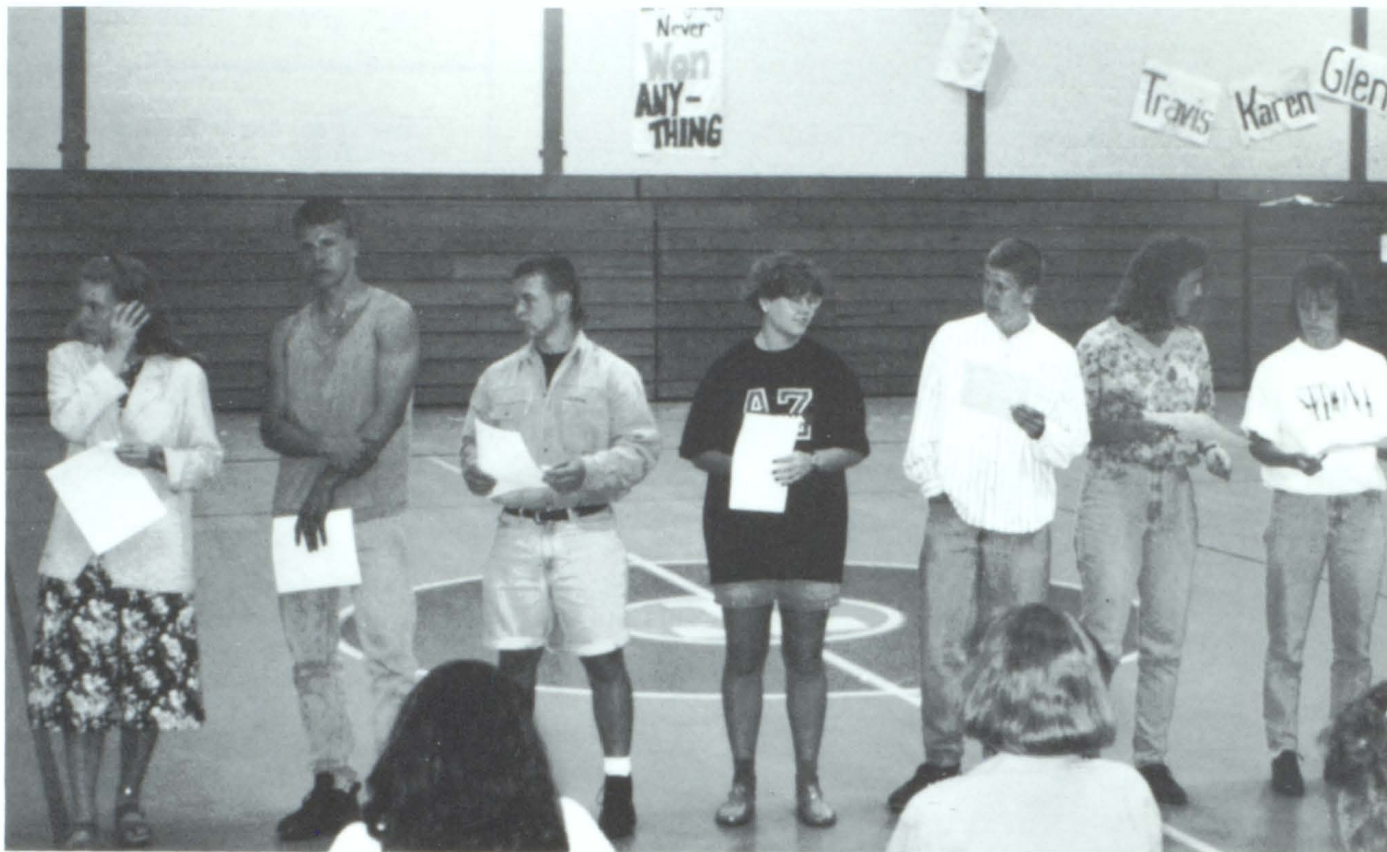
Climbing up Belle Rock are Gary Stamper and Crystal Penny, while ignoring Mrs. Smith's pleas for them to come back. She was just sure they would fall and hurt themselves. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger



Getting ready for their first plane ride are Jason Dishon, Brycen Wiedmer, and Jeremy Masters. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



Receiving speech awards are Stacey Wiedmer, Jeremy Masters, Brycen Wiedmer, Traci Simmons, Glen Gronniger, Brook Luedke, and Nikia Rosenberger. They all helped with the plays in some way, either by acting or helping out behind the scenes. Photo by Peggy Simmons



The top speech awards are presented by Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey to Karen Oyerly and Nikia Rosenberger. Photo by Staci Schultz

## How did you feel about being inducted into NHS?

Sam Reust commented, "I felt honored. It is an elite group, and I feel special to be a part of it."



Jill Weidmer stated, "It's a great privilege, and I'm happy that I got picked to be a part of it."



Julie Nett said, "It was a really good feeling. It was an honor because there are so few that do get inducted."



The art awards are given out by Mrs. Nancy Clisbee to Aaron Clary, Jenny Ford, Jamie Christenson, and Megan Miner the last day of school. Photo by Keith Hinds





# Recognition goes to hard workers

To round off the year there are always lots of awards to give out. This is when all the hard work and dedication by the students finally gets recognized.

Some of the major volleyball awards given out were Most Valuable Player and Best Defensive Player. They went to Emily Erpelding. The Most Improved went to Renee Scholz. The Most Hustle went to Lindsey Rosenberger, and the Best Attitude went to Brook Luedke.

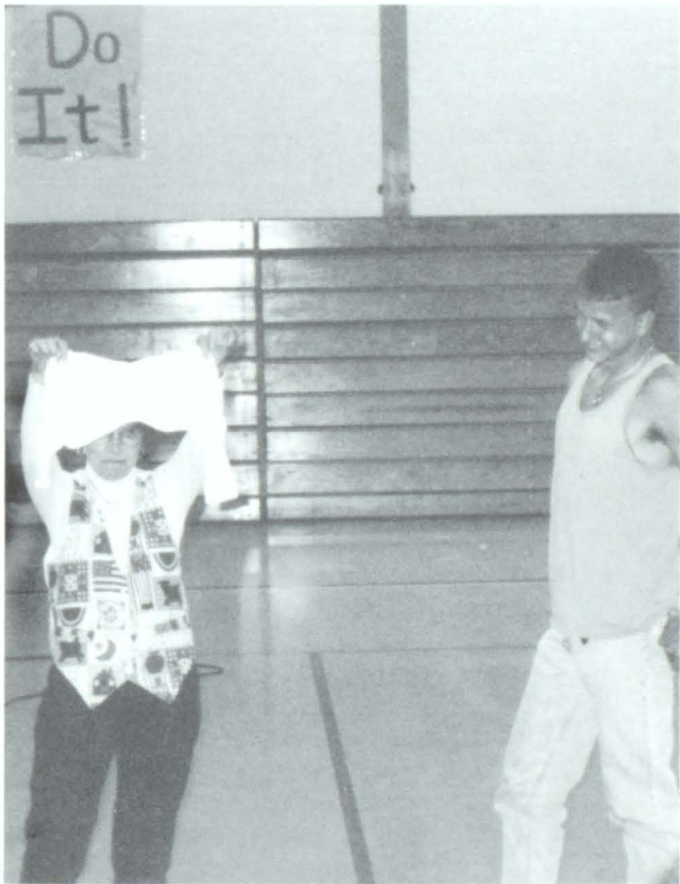
The major football award given out each year is the Tom Keller Award. It went to the player that had the most tackles during the season, Brycen Wiedmer.

A senior awards assembly was May 17, after the student council cookout. The Alumni Scholarship went to Traci Simmons and Brady Jasper. The top male and female athlete awards went to Brook Luedke and Brady Jasper. The Army gave out two awards for Scholar Academics awards and they went to Karen Oyerly and Josh Ruhnke. The Marine Corp gave out three awards: an athletic award, which went to Brycen Wiedmer, a music award, that went to

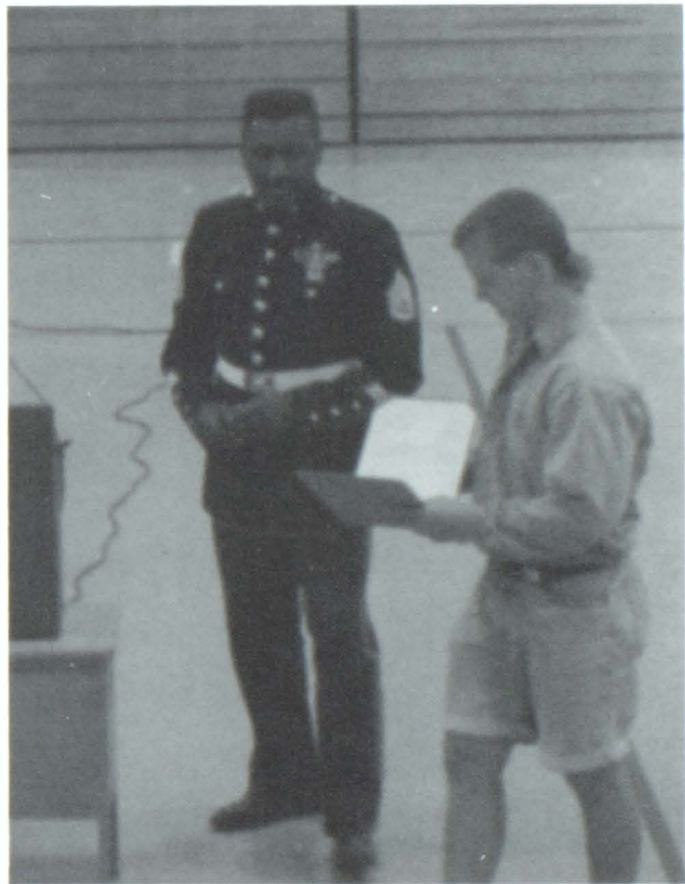
Stacey Wiedmer, and an academic award, that went to Nikia Rosenberger. Nikia also received the Bill Foster Award, the TEA Scholarship, and the Student Council Scholarship. At the conclusion of the assembly Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, senior class sponsor, gave a summary of the senior trip. After that she gave several seniors some gag gifts that represented something that happened to them on the trip.

The freshmen through juniors received their awards in an assembly the last day of school. There were 12 new members inducted into the National Honor Society (NHS). They were Kelly Dishon, Kristina Drake, Pat Drake, Regina and Larry Huff, Noelle Oyler, Julie Nett, Lindsey Rosenberger, Jill Wiedmer, Kelli Simmons, Renee Scholz, and Sam Reust. They took the pledge and then signed their name to the scroll. The Quill and Scroll also inducted three new members. They were Candy Higley, Jennifer Engemann, and Mandie Loroff.

*Copy by Traci Simmons*



**Giving out** one of her gag gifts is Mrs. Elizabeth Smith. She embarrassed Jeremy Masters by giving him a bra. Photo by Peggy Simmons



**The Marine Corp representative** presents Brycen Wiedmer with the athletic award at senior awards night. Photo by Staci Schultz.

## What were you thinking when you received your diploma?



"Finally this stupid ceremony is over!" exclaimed Crystal Penny.

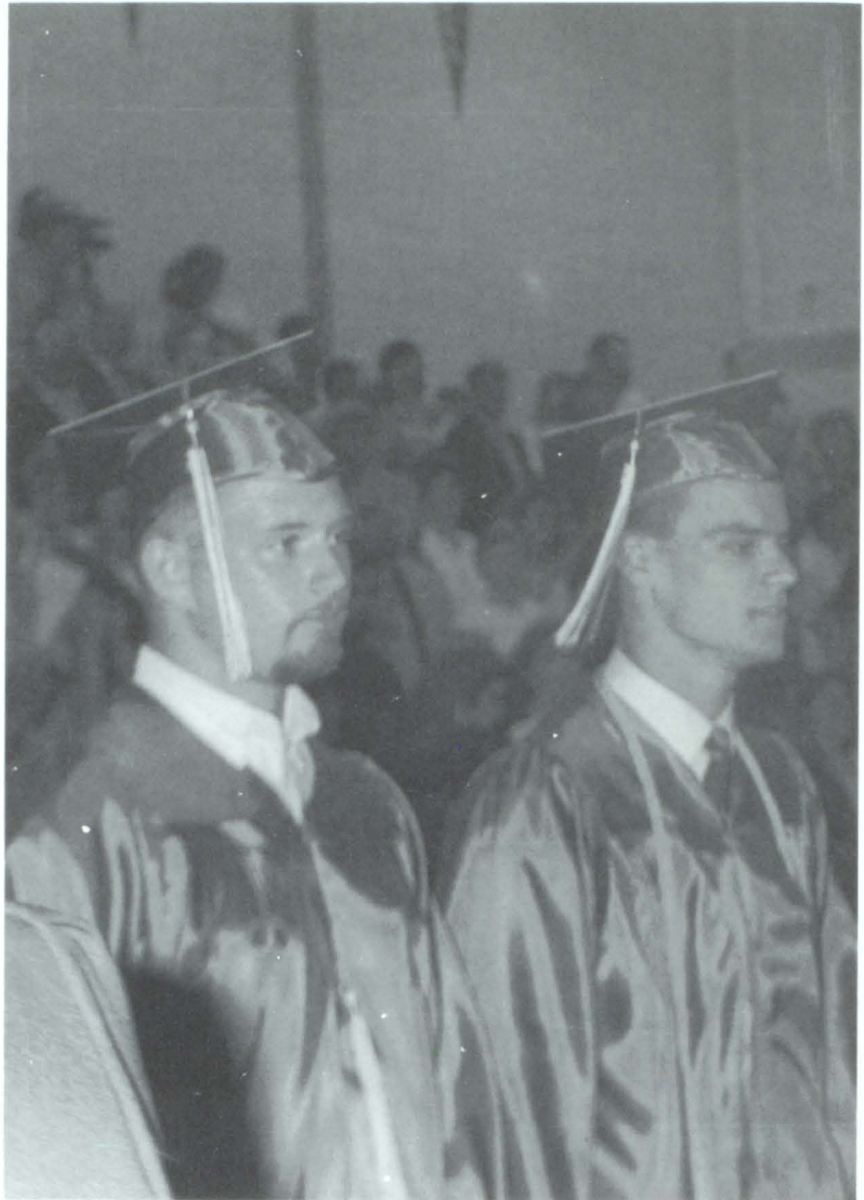


Traci Simmons said, "Boy this is really it. Now I actually have to start thinking about my future."

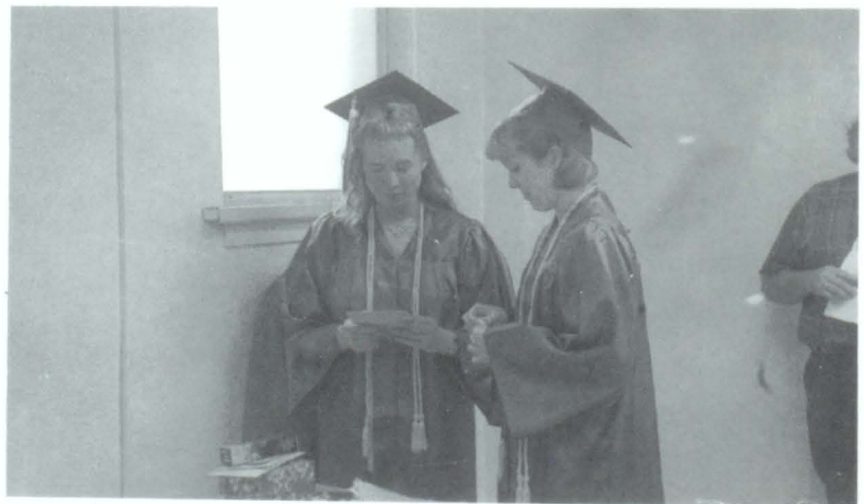


"I am glad to be out of here. I hope I don't trip on this rug and fall," laughed Karen Oyerly.

As Gary Stamper and Brady Jasper walk through the processional, they realize it is the last time they will be called "high schoolers." Photo by Staci Schultz.



"I'll miss you," says Gary Stamper as he gives his friend Eric Donaldson a hug. Photo by Staci Schultz.



Stacey Wiedmer and Crystal Penny take a moment before the graduation ceremony to look through a few of the cards and gifts they received. Photo by Staci Schultz.



# Seniors say goodbye to THS

It was a day of mixed emotions. The expressions on the faces of the 23 graduates ranged from happiness and excitement to sadness.

The annual commencement ceremony was Sunday, May 21, at 3 P.M., in the C.W. Oliver Gymnasium.

The senior class marched in to the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance" escorted by juniors Justin Johnson and Jennifer Engemann. Benjy Cook and Candy Higley were also ushers.

Ms. Charlene Brookover announced awards and scholarships received by the seniors; then the high school chorus sang "Blessing." Other music for the day was presented by Becky Boaz, who sang "Pray For Me," and Dana Stanton and Candy Higley, who sang "Letting Go."

Principal Beth Reust presented the salutatorian, Emily Erpelding, and the valedictorian, Nikia Rosenberger. Each of them gave a speech.

Warren Grable, Jr. presented the class with their diplomas as they walked across the platform.

The senior class received many awards and scholarships. The Janice Kinsey Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Nikia Rosenberger and Karen Oyerly. The Booster Club Award went to Brycen Wiedmer and Karen Oyerly.

The SLK scholarship was presented to Karen Oyerly, and the American Legion Awards were presented to Nikia Rosenberger and Brycen Wiedmer. Honorable Mentions were Traci Simmons and Josh Ruhnke.

Graduation was a day that none of the members of

the class of '95 will forget. It was the day the seniors crossed a major bridge in life.

Most seniors were ready for graduation. Stacey Wiedmer was one of them. "I am ready to get out of here. I've been ready for graduation since I was a sophomore."

Most graduates were very excited to be graduating. Some of them let a little of their outgoing personality show through when they received their diplomas. Dana Stanton was one of those students. When she received her diploma, she held it up in the air and exclaimed, "I did it, Mom!"

One thing many of the seniors will cherish forever is their memories. "High school has made many good memories. I am really going to miss my friends," commented Emily Erpelding. *Copy by Candy Higley.*



**Christy Seiter shakes the hand** of Warren Grable, Jr., school board president, as she receives the long-awaited for diploma. Photo by Staci Schultz.

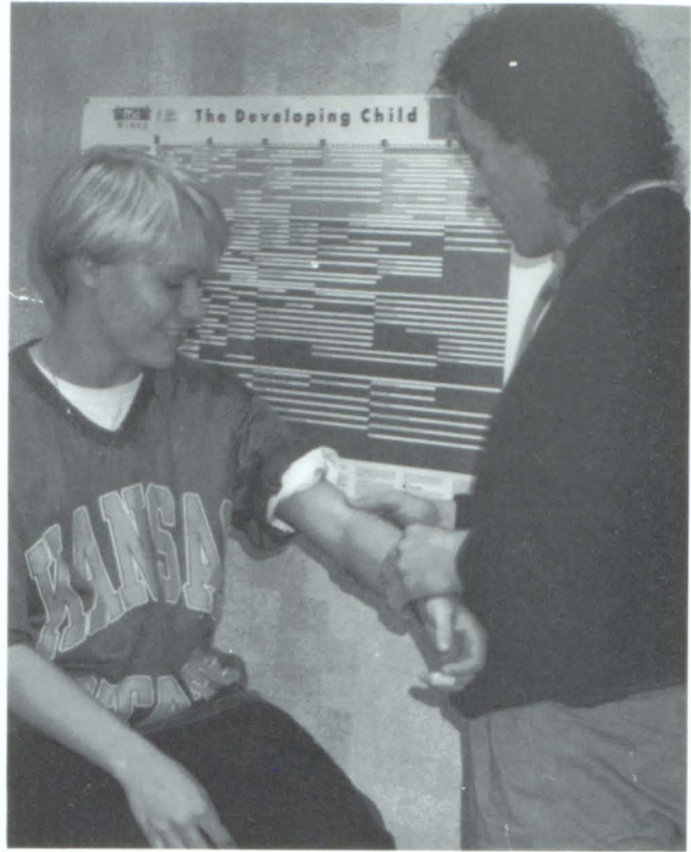


**Nikia Rosenberger** and her uncle Eveen Benitz share a hug in the receiving line after the ceremony. Photo by Staci Schultz.



# Better Mean Business

Taking a look at Nicole Kinsey's elbow is Dr. Brad Gaul. Gaul Family Practice is one of the two medical offices in town. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



Pumping gas at Davies Oil Co. to support their cruising habits are Renee Scholz and Sam Reust. Many students are employed at Davies during the summer, on weekends, and after school. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.



# More work equals more money

Everybody wants a little more money. Many of the students at THS hold jobs. For many it's just a fun pastime, but for others it determines how nicely they dress and whether they get to spend money on entertainment.

Lindsey Rosenberger and Christy Gibson worked at the Dairy Barn, a fast food and ice cream shop in Wathena. They both said the best part of their job was the whipped cream fights.

"I cook, clean, serve, and have food fights," explained Lindsey.

Watching Megan Ellis closely during piano lessons is Crystal Penny. Megan is in the first grade and has been receiving piano lessons from Crystal since the beginning of the school year. Photo by Burl Penny.



Stocking the shelves at John's Market is Emily Erpelding. Not only does John's supply groceries for the town, it also supplies after-school and summer jobs for many high school students. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.

Lindsay Christenson, Kyle Thomas, and Annie Jensen worked at Rohrer's Game Farm. Birds are grown there to be sold for food. Annie said the best part of her job was working with the birds. They kept busy trapping, cleaning, and feeding the birds along with throwing clay pigeons for people to shoot.

Some students also worked at home. Josh Ruhnke worked on his farm. He said the best part of the job was setting his own hours.

Other jobs included babysitting, being a waiter or waitress, mowing lawns, working at a hardware store, working at a limousine shop, and working at a fast-food chain.

Copy by Crystal Penny



Picking up an after-school snack is Annie Jensen at the Troy Fast Lane. Not only does the Fast Lane provide snacks and gas to students, its parking lot also serves as a turn-around point for cruising down Main Street. Photo by Nikia Rosenberger.

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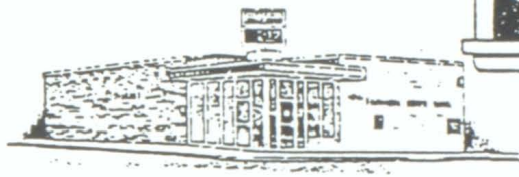
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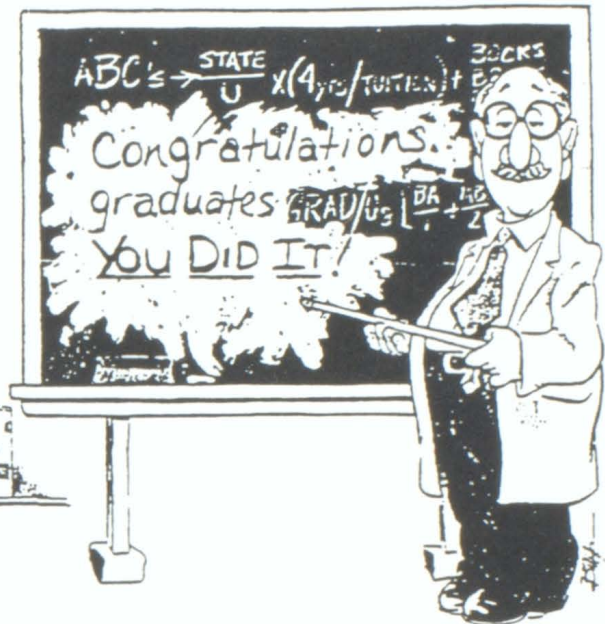


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Love,  
Kelli



Jason,

Good luck in whatever you do. You can succeed at anything you set your mind to. We're proud of everything you have accomplished.

Love,  
Mom & Dad



Crystal,

We praise God for not just your many achievements in the past 18 years, but more specifically for the Godly young lady you have become. You've been created for a very special purpose as you'll discover as you continue to "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight." Prov 3:5,6

We love you,  
Mom, Dad, & Nathan



Glen,

Our wish for you is this, that you reach all your goals and live all your dreams! If you need to follow a different path, how about acting?! You had an early start at that!

Success is within your reach, so go get it!

It has been a joy and a challenge being your parents! We hope we met that challenge! You have filled our hearts with pride!

Love,  
Mom & Dad



Travis,

With a smile always on your face, you have grown to be the sweet, thoughtful, and responsible young man that we always knew you would be.

You have the ability to reach any goal you desire, so go for those goals and remember that we love you and are very proud of you.

Love,  
Dad, Mom, & Aaron



Brady,

You have worked very hard in your school years to be successful in both sports and academics. Your athletic performances were so exciting for us to watch. When you were on, you were the best! Continue to work hard in the future and you will always do well.

We are proud of you!  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, & Derek



Jamie,

Through the years we have made so many great memories together, from trying to find our way through a field in the middle of the night to just sitting around talking and playing with your beautiful baby girl. I wouldn't trade the times we have spent together for anything in the world. Thanks for always being there for me!

Love ya,  
Traci



K,

Congratulations. You are one in a million.

From your family  
most gorgeous,  
Dad, Mom, & PACS



Nikia,

There aren't words that can express how proud we are of you and all your accomplishments. You have the mind and determination to do what you want with your life that's just beginning.

We wouldn't trade you for all the nickels in the world.

Love you so much!!  
Dad & Mom



Tracey-Boo,

We have been through a lot. You have always been special to me and I have always been proud of my Little Sister. It hurt to hear you say good-bye in Kayettes and it feels the same to tell you good-bye now. I wish you all the best this world has to offer. I'll always back you up when ever you need it. You have made a great Aunt to a little boy who loves Tracey-Boo very much (Kenny Buddy, too!). We're very proud of you!

Love Ya Bunches,  
Tonva & Kelby

Christy,

You came a long way baby.  
We Love You,  
Dad and Mom



Jeremy (Slade).

It seems like only yesterday you were in the first grade and refusing to go to school. You've achieved so much these last 12 years, and we know you will continue to progress into a mature, outstanding person. You have much talent and a kind and generous personality; use them wisely. We love you with all our hearts, and your family supports you in whatever you choose to do.

Love,  
Dad, Mom,  
and Gary Lee



Tracey.

It seems like only yesterday that I turned to walk away from you in Mrs. Lewis's kindergarten class and you had big tears in your eyes. I watched you grow into a beautiful young woman.

Our hopes for you are that you stand for your beliefs, never underestimate yourself, and always know that God is walking with you.

Congratulations on your Graduation. You've given us much joy and happiness.

Love, Dad & Mom



Emily.

You have shown us over the years you can do anything you put your mind to. Always remember that at anything you attempt.

We are very proud of you and all your accomplishments.

We love you,  
Mom & Dad



Josh.

Josh, you're a neat kid. I'm very proud of you and I know you will go places. I just wish you wanted to be a vet. Every horseperson needs one in their family. You've come a long way from that skinny little kid. Keep up the good work.

Love,  
Mom



Congratulations Glen!

I wish you the best of luck in the years to come!

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Key



Brook.

You were such a cute little cheerleader, but as years passed volleyball and basketball took your eye. So we became the cheerers to support you in all you did. As you graduate, may you remember your biggest supporters start from the home.

We love you,  
Mom & Dad  
Derek, Blaine, & Kevin



Gary,

We are so proud of you for the very loving and caring adult you have grown to be but you will always be our baby too.

Love,  
Mom and Dad



Traci,

Time has gone by so quickly and now you're a graduate. Memories of your childhood we'll cherish forever. We are so proud of you and all of your accomplishments. You hold the key to your future. With God's love and your faith in God, we know that you will find success and happiness in life. Remember we're always here for you. You're our pride and joy. Congratulations and God bless you.

Love,  
Dad, Mom,  
and Kelli



Brooklynn Nichole,

Where should I start? You are like a sister to me. So many people have mistaken us for sisters anyway. But unlike most sisters, we have never fought. We've always gotten along, and we usually see things eye-to-eye. I want to wish you all the luck in the world. When things don't go right, remember to keep your head up! I'll always be here for you no matter what happens! Good Luck, Have Fun, Party Hard, and for heaven's sake...Keep Smilin'!

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A true friend,

Glen Everet Gronniger

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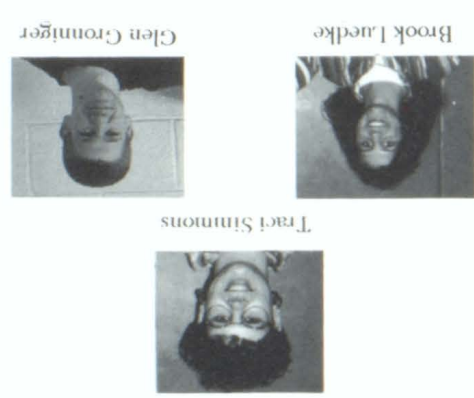
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Better Say  
Good-bye

Saying good-bye is always hard to do. Especially when it means saying good-bye to your childhood and the past.

The seniors had to say good-bye to Troy High School forever. Graduation was the last time that they would all be together. Though this was a time for tears, it was also a time of happiness when the seniors realized that a new life was starting for them.

The underclassmen also had to say good-bye to another year of school. But each was ready for the long summer break.

To all the seniors we say, "God bless and good luck in everything you do. We love you!" Copy by Crystal Penny.



**The finished product, May 1995.** Front Row: Jamie Schmidt, Emily Erpelding, Jamie Smith, Traci Simmons, Brook Luedke, Nikia Rosenberger, Tracey McNemee, Crystal Penny, Karen Oyerly, Stacey Wiedmer, Dana Stanton, and Christy Seiter. Row 2: Glen Gronniger, Gary Stamper, Brycen Wiedmer, Jeremy Masters, and Travis Davies. Row 3: Josh Ruhnke, James Shelton, Jason Dishon, and Brady Jasper. Photo by Bray.

