

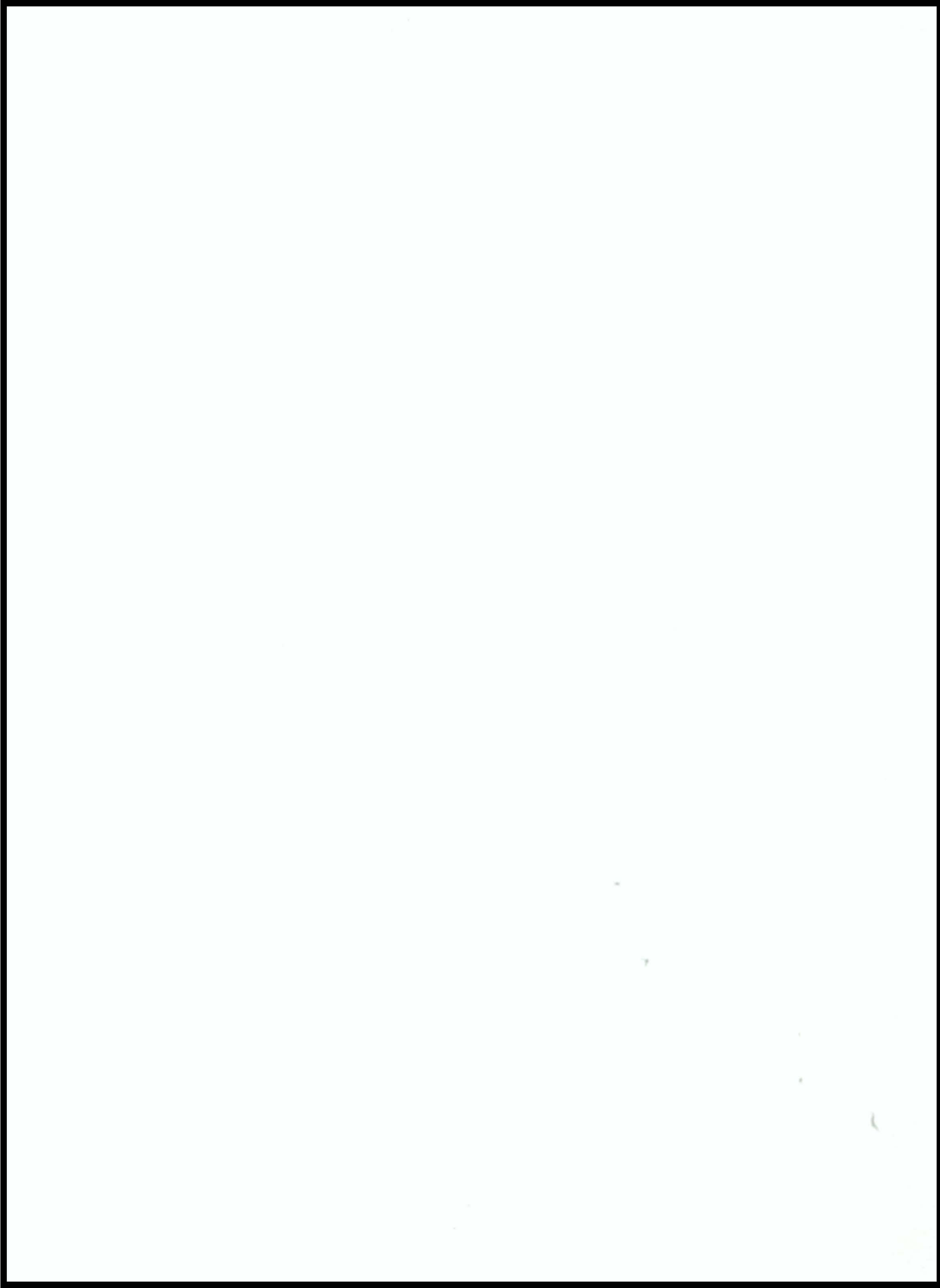
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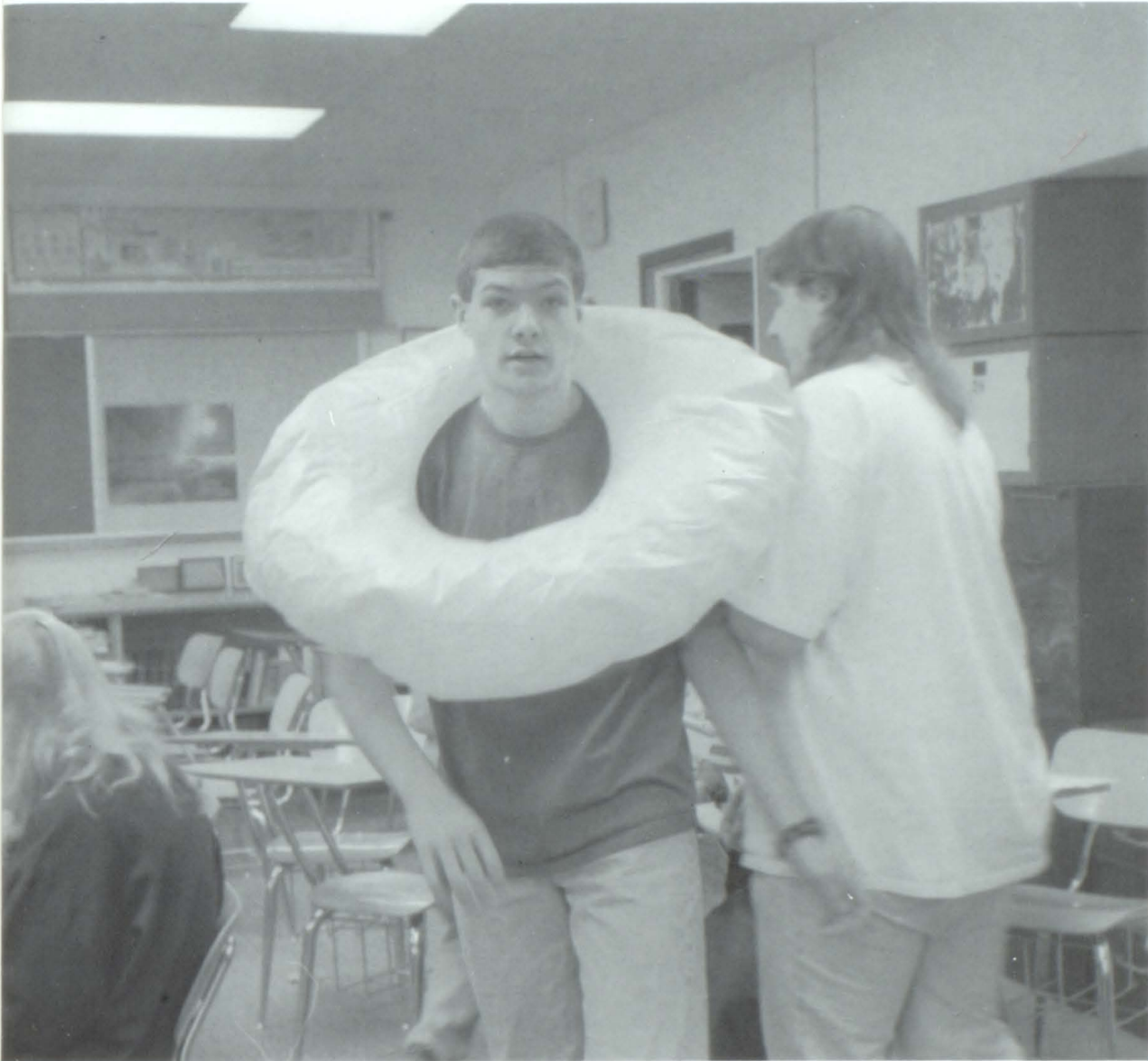
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Freshmen Jesse Cash and Tad Blanton hang out after the cross country meet. The muddy duo slid down a slimy hill. Photo by James Huss.



Crystal Trant, Melissa Albers, Kristin Kinsey, and Megan Boeh take time out at the Renaissance Festival to take a barrel ride. The "Strong Man" pushes the barrel back and forth for riders. Many medieval rides could be found at the drama club field trip. Photo by Regina Huff.

School starts with a mission

Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to find out what the Troy Trojans did this year. You must find the goods and the bads, the highs and the lows, and what's new with the school. This book has been compiled by Mrs. Martha Rockey's publication class to help you in your mission.

Welcome to Troy High School, code name THS. The school mascot is the Trojan. There are 141 students, 17 teachers, and other staff and administrators here at THS.

There is always somebody doing something, like playing sports, joining clubs, decorating, or frantically trying to get a homework assignment done.

The Trojan spirit is everywhere around THS. When one group does well, the whole school is there to support them, but if a group falls a little short, there is always someone helping them to get backup.

Life in general is a mission. We are constantly having things thrown at us that we have to overcome and to achieve.

There were many changes to THS over the summer. A new principal was hired and the school board voted to have a physics course. The physics room got thousands of dollars in new lab equipment for students. But one of the key changes was for the seniors. They no longer got out much earlier than the rest of the school.

This book is a representation of all that Troy High had to offer and what the students and administration accomplished throughout the 1996-97 school year.

You have been assigned your mission. You know your goals and objectives. Now you must go and learn and remember what went on at THS in the school year 1996-97.

Kristy Clary cares for her "Baby Think it Over" in family living. This project was a brand new experience for the family living class. Photo by Kelly Dishon.

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Ginger Winder and Christine Whetstine make posters of parts of speech for Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey's grammar class. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Noelle Oyler and Nancy Mitchell prepare to dissect a fetal pig for Mr. Kevin McNorton's anatomy class. Photo by Andrew Bramlage.



Classes offer fun, knowledge

Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to learn all that you can about the classes and projects that students were involved in at THS. You must find what they liked and didn't like about classes and how the teachers felt about the classes they taught. This section contains vital information about academics and academic achievements of the THS students for your mission.

As far as classes go, anything needed to make it into college could be found here at

Kristina Drake and Pat Drake refinish a project in Mr. Benny Rice's shop for a family living project. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Mythology class can sometimes be more play than work. One of the sophomore speeches was about an ancient Aztec game which the class got to try out. Photo by Regina Huff.

THS. Two new classes on the schedule were physics, and statistics and trigonometry, which also included some calculus towards the end of the year. With new classes on the schedule came new teachers on the payroll. Physics was taught by Mr. Kenneth Luedke, and statistics and trigonometry, along with many other math classes, was taught by Mrs. Cathy Wilson.

Even though THS added the new classes, it still had the same ones as before: the sciences, mathematics, history, social sciences, English, and others.

Teachers put in extra time and effort for students. These people were the ones responsible for providing the education and knowledge for students to graduate.

Senior Kristina Drake commented, "I have way too much homework! I'm taking harder classes this year so it is much harder to get everything done."

Whatever the case may be, academics are the most important part of any school.



Megan Boeh, Erin Muphy, and Crystal Trant try different styles of Mary Kay make up in Mrs. Anna Goss's kitchen. Meredith Mason gave a demonstration of the products for the family living class. Photo by Lindsey Rosenberger.

Language Arts

Students break away from the Ordinary

Language arts classes were an integral and interesting part of the Troy High School curriculum. These classes included English 9, 10, 11, and 12, Spanish, Advanced Spanish, and Publications. There were also two college dual-credit classes: English Composition 101 and English Composition 102.

"I'm trying to encourage students toward more project-type work and beyond the textbook. For example, in mythology, [the students] reported on different cultures and illustrated some rituals from those cultures," Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey stated about her classes.

The publications class had its usual share of computer and printer problems. The students were able to use four computers, and by the second semester, had two printers as well.

The Spanish and Advanced Spanish classes were taught by Mrs. Toni Larson. The students in her classes participated in many activities such as Spanish vocabulary games. The students learned much about Spanish-speaking countries also.

"Learning a language is about more than vocabulary words and grammar. Culture, geography, history, and

literature are all important components. Understanding each area is learning a language," explained Mrs. Larson.

The Advanced Spanish class also made their own Spanish games which included spin-offs like *Spanopoly* and originals like *El Sporko de Taco Bell* (The Spork from Taco Bell).

"The game was created by Sam, Larry, and Jared and used actual sporks from Taco Bell," said Nathan Geiger. "Nathan [Reynold]'s and my game involved the people of our Spanish class. It was the opposite of Monopoly; you try to run out of money first."

The language teachers had good reviews of the year. Mrs. Babetta Israel said, "This year has been an enjoyable one! The State Report Card and Internet were two firsts for our memory banks. Across grades and throughout the day, students seem [ed] more focused and express [ed] personal expectations for future careers. For teachers, this can only mean we are in the business of improving on success."



Renee Scholz, Nicole Kinsey, and Laura Ford search for clues to their next goal in their scavenger hunt for Spanish II. The girls in the class competed with the boys. Photo by Regina Huff.



Megan Boeh, Allisha Benitz, and Christy Stewart talk about the culture of the Navajo Indians for their mythology class. This was the first year the class did this assignment. Photo by Jared Cash.

Nicole Kinsey and Andy Bramlage play a memory game designed for English class. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Kyle McConnaughey, Suzie Oyerly, and Laura Ford dress up like Navajo Indians for mythology class. Photo by Jared Cash.



Larry Huff, Nathan Reynolds, Jared Cash, Jaylon Ashburn, Nathan Geiger, and Bobby Milbourne celebrate their victory over the girls in a scavenger hunt for Spanish class. The scavenger hunt was created by Sam Reust to help the students apply their Spanish skills to life. Photo by Regina Huff.

Social Science

Class provides history

Starting before the birth of our nation and never ending, describes the range of information being taught in the Troy High School Social Studies Department.

Taking students back in time as far as they possibly could go was Mr. Lyle Rockey, teacher of the world history class.

"I thought that world history was very interesting and I learned a lot about the other cultures," declared Tito Martinez, senior.

Moving on in time the American history classes studied about our culture as Americans starting at the birth of our nation. The class was educated by lectures, videos, and activity reports. The students were allowed to work in groups to enhance their knowledge as a team. This was a required class for juniors. Mr. Rockey taught this class with the help of Mr. Pat Casey, student teacher, during the first semester.

"I think American history is all right. I like the fact that we work in groups, and have quizzes over sections to prepare for our final test," explained Brad Johnson, junior.

Once the history of America had been studied, Mr. Bruce Reynolds picked up with American government. This was a required class for seniors. This fall being an election year the students completed election notebooks summarizing the developments of the candidates. The class participated in the Electronic Model Congress, which gave the student experience in how our government operates on a day-to-day basis.

"It's important for people to have some knowledge of understanding how the government works. I feel that I know more about government and politics now that I've studied it," explained Clinton McNemee, senior.

The geography class gave students a great opportunity to learn about countries. Two courses were instructed by Mr. Rockey and Mr. Reynolds. They designed many activities to give the students a better understanding of the countries in the world. One of the activities in Mr. Rockey's class was that of making an outline of countries by using string on the floor.

"Geography is a good class to take, but it is not always easy. Sometimes the stuff that we are learning about

is interesting," commented Abra Eylar, freshman.

The current events class kept up-to-date by reading the *St. Joseph News-Press* and watching *CNN Headline News*, and working on summarizing the major events each quarter. This class was taught by Mr. Reynolds.

"I like current events a lot because you know what's going on in the world, and there is very little homework," said Casey Rush, sophomore.

Seniors Kristina Heil, Lindsey Rosenburger, Heath Campbell, Allissa Durbin, and Mr. Bruce Reynolds at the computer work on their Electronic Model Congress. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Sophomores Betsy Schultz and Megan Boeh rearrange the string formation to match the outline of South America in their geography class. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Juniors Shanna Wright and Jenny Ford study for a test in a group in their American history class. The homework and tests were completed in groups that were assigned at the beginning of the year. Photo by Andrew Bramlage



Senior Kristina Drake and Mr. Bruce Reynolds carefully look over Kristina's Election Notebook. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Sophomores Betsy Schultz, Megan Boeh, and Ryan Grable lay out string in the shape of South America as a project of the geography class taught by Mr. Lyle Rockey. This project was designed for the students to understand the placement of the countries and their land forms. Geography is an elective course and can be counted toward one of the social science credits for graduation. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Business, Math and Computers

● New teacher brings new teaching ideas

Business, math, and computers were an integral part of education at Troy High. Each class taught math and computer skills to prepare students for the real world. A world full of business opportunities.

There was a new addition to the math scene, Mrs. Cathy Wilson. She taught the Algebra I, Algebra II, and stats and trigonometry classes which also included calculus towards the end of the year.

Along with a new teacher came new ideas and expectations for the classes. "For extra credit, the students [composed] songs with their math rules as lyrics," Mrs. Wilson explained.

"Students may also draw a picture, put it on a coordinate graph, and make a graphing project out of it," she continued.

Teachers returning to Troy High were Miss Kathy Kasselmann and Mr. Steve Thompson. Miss Kasselmann taught desktop publishing, computer applications, and

accounting.

Classes that Mr. Thompson taught were computer programming, geometry, and college algebra. He also taught computer applications and Algebra I.

The classes did many interesting things along with their regular, daily work. The accounting class visited the Federal Reserve Bank in Kansas City, Missouri. Desktop publishing created businesses, business logos, letterheads, and brochures.

"The [Federal Reserve] Bank was really interesting, but we had a bad tour guide," revealed Sarah Geiger. "So, we didn't get to see very much."

Miss Kasselmann said, "The trip to the Federal Reserve Bank was an educational experience providing the students with an insight [into] the banking process."

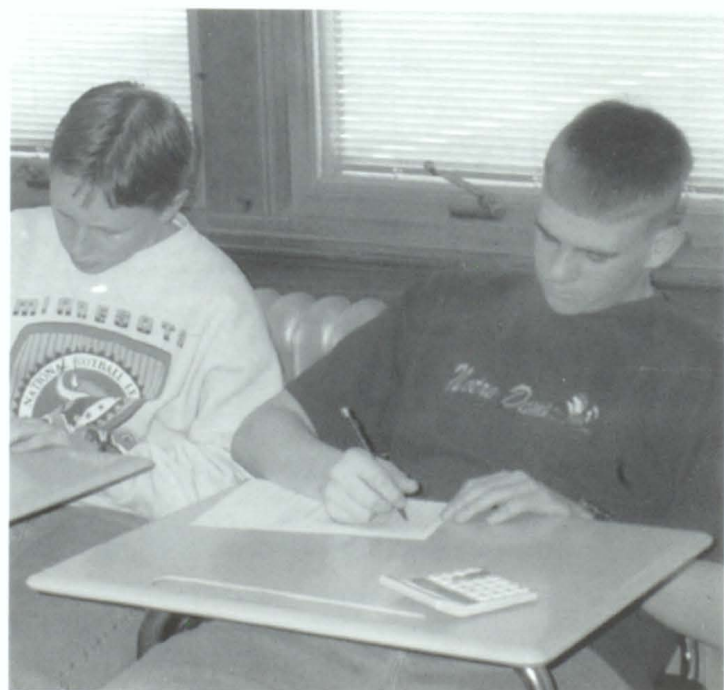
"Computer programming [made] a match-making/date program for the school," related Mr. Thompson. The computer applications class built a web page. His geometry class collected snowflakes and launched gummy bears into space.

"Most all of my classes [did] 'launch gummy bears into space' to collect data on how far they travel when setting the gummy bear launcher at various angles," said Mr. Thompson.



Sarah Geiger uses a monetary policy simulation program for accounting on the accounting trip to the Federal Reserve Bank. Photo by Lindsey Rosenberger.

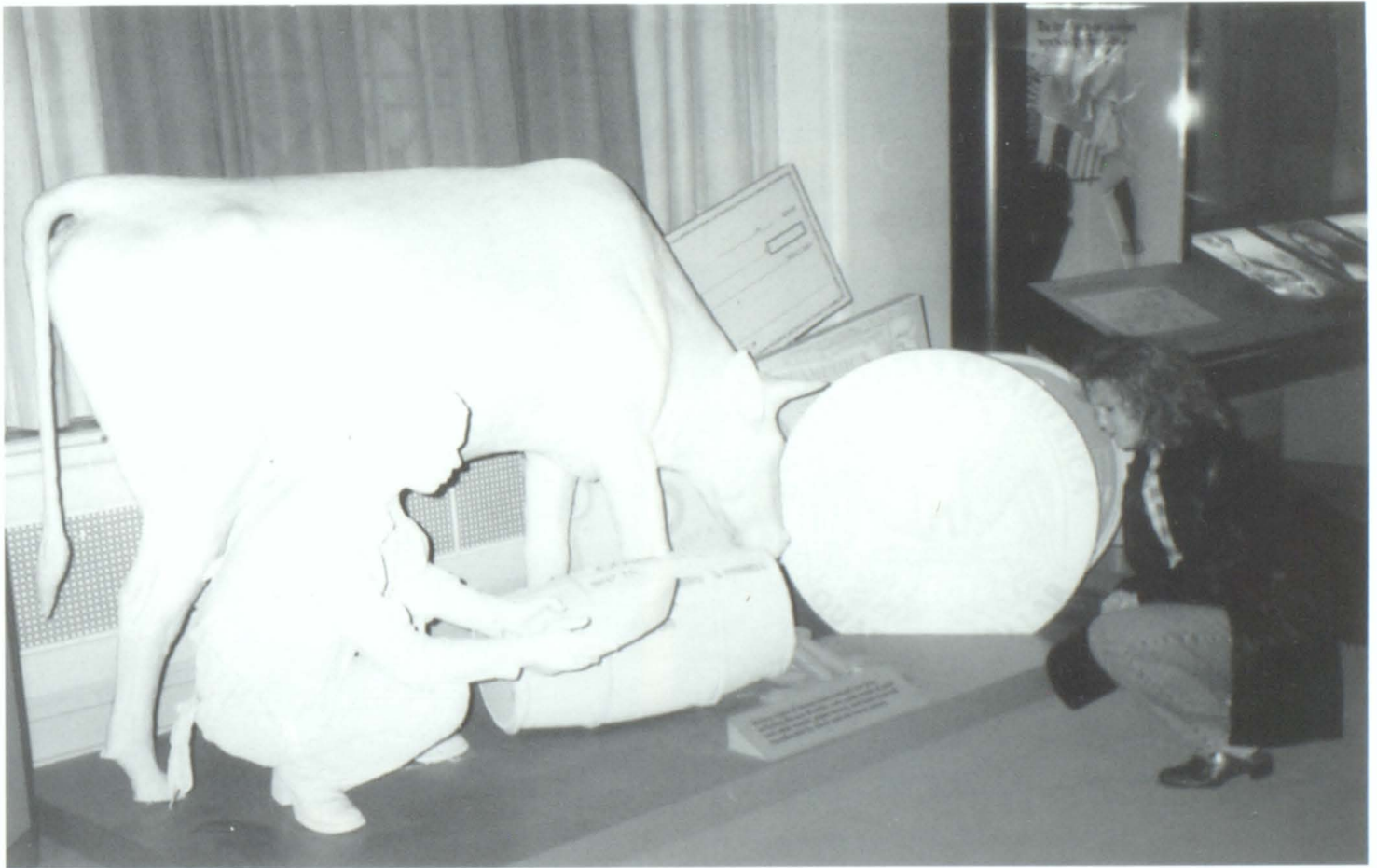
Right: After taking the Kansas Math Assessment tests, Kyle McConaughy and Nathan Geiger work on their math homework. Photo by Jared Cash.



Erin Murphy, Gillian Guier, and Brandi Strong work with spreadsheets for their computer applications class. The students in this class learn many workplace applications for the computer. Photo by Jared Cash.



Mr. Steve Thompson stands over Megan Boeh's shoulder while helping her with her geometry reflections homework. Photo by Jared Cash.



Lindsey Rosenberger kneels before a large quarter cow, and gold panner at an exhibit at the Federal Reserve Bank for accounting. Photo by Kathy Kasselmann.

Science

Experiments equal results in science department

Experimenting and getting results would describe the activities that took place in the science department.

A physics lab was added with a new teacher to go with it. Mr. Kenneth Luedke, the new physics teacher, was no stranger to this field of science. Mr. Luedke, a retired teacher in the state of Missouri, returned to his home town of Troy. Mr Luedke said, "The hands-on approach to teaching the fundamental principles of applied physics for a technique in mechanical, fluid, electrical, and thermal systems seemed to be well accepted by the students. Their class was interesting and a pleasure to teach." The physics class did many activities including math labs, lab experiments, student exercises, and lectures.

Mr. Kevin McNorton taught anatomy.

"I think that anatomy teaches a lot about the structure of the body and the dissection of the pigs gives us a visual representation of how the body works. The thing I liked most about anatomy was when we watched 'Scientific American Frontiers,' " commented Jenny Ford, junior.

Chemistry was another class taught by Mr. McNorton. In this class they completed many learning activities, and

conducted many experiments.

"Chemistry is a tough class because of all the math and formulas involved in it," explained Neal Eyler, junior.

Biology, also taught by Mr. McNorton, was an introductory class given to most freshmen. It not only gave the freshmen an introduction to high school science, but also taught them the fundamentals of science which they can build from.

"It's kind of cool learning about DNA and genes and how they work," stated Jared Pickerell, freshman.

Another activity that was also conducted was that of a math class and a chemistry lab. The math class was taught by Mrs. Cathy Wilson. The class worked on complicated formulas in class and then checked their work in a chemistry lab that Mr. McNorton helped with.



Seniors Tito Martinez and Renee Scholz work together to double check their answer that they solved mathematically in their Stats and Trig math class. Photo By Andrew Bramlage



Juniors Bobby Milbourne and Sarah Geiger work carefully to discover the colors of different mixtures of chemicals when mixed together. Photo by Andrew Bramlage

Sophomores P.J. Smith, Nathan Geiger, and Corey Smith work carefully to complete their task of dissecting a small pig as part of an assignment to better understand how a body works. This activity was taught by Mr. McNorton. Photo by Nancy Mitchell



Senior Renee Scholz and juniors Tim Uplinger and Sandi Nelson try to come to a conclusion about water flow rate using a closed system in a physics lab. Photo by Andrew Bramlage.



Juniors Nicole Kinsey and Chris Hoverson work in confusion on a lab dealing with electricity instructed by Mr. Luedke. This was a common project assigned in physics. Photo By Andrew Bramlage

Home Ec

'Baby Think It Over' a Success

Cooking, cleaning, and sewing describe the activities of the home economics department.

The home economics classes were taught by Mrs. Anna Goss, a THS teacher for 48 years. There were four classes: Home Ec I, Home Ec II, Independent Living, and Family Living.

The Home Ec I class was primarily set up as an introductory class. Students were introduced to the world of clothing. They learn how to make, buy, take care of, and alter clothing.

"I enjoyed making clothes in home ec. Mrs. Goss was a great help to me," commented Marietta Wood.

The Home Ec II class learned the ins and outs of cooking. The class participated in meal planning, meal preparation, selection, and care of kitchen equipment. The class took a field trip to the Stage Stop Restaurant to introduce different forms of food available.

"My most enjoyable moment was when we went to the Stage Stop Restaurant in St. Joe. The cooking experience I received was also very enjoyable," said junior Kirk Jamvold.

Independent Living was another introductory course going over many aspects of survival when living alone. The class was taught how to do laundry, use a sewing

machine, plan a meal including nutritional facts, and mend and repair clothing.

"My year in the home ec class was good. The thing I liked about it most was when we made clothes and cooked. Mrs. Goss was a big help," said junior Jenny Ford.

"Family living has been a lot of fun this year. We have done many exciting things, although I did not care for taking 'Baby Think It Over' home," said senior Jill Wiedmer.

Family living was a class offered to the seniors. In this class the students learned how to plan for a career and marriage, and manage a home and family. This class was the first to use "Baby Think It Over." The class was taught how much work is involved in having a baby by taking care of this "baby" on the weekends. The baby was programmed to cry at certain times for feeding and diaper change, and cataloged how well the student took care of it. Another activity that the students took part in was the mock wedding. They learned first hand how much work went into planning their very own wedding.

"I think that this year has gone by pretty well, I had a lot of fun. The only time that I really didn't have any fun was when we took home 'Baby Think It Over,'" commented senior Kristy Clary.

The home ec classes were involved in many activities that further educated the students in ways that could help them when they are on their own.



Sam Reust, Kelli Simmons, Heath Campbell, Jill Weidmer, Heath Whetstine, and Kelly Dishon display their clothing provided by Billie's Unique Boutique. Photo by Andrew Bramlage



Kristina Heil, Kristy Clary, and Mrs. Goss sand on pieces to their dollhouse they used as a fundraiser. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Kristina Heil, Heath Campbell, Jeff Norris, and Kelly Dishon measure a preschool student with a project made in their family living class. Photo By Nancy Mitchell

Below: Pat Drake, Jill Weidmer, and Kelli Simmons sit by the cultural food, trying to decide if they want to try the food. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Katherine Robinson, Errica Stanton, and Amy Schmille measure the green beans carefully to ensure that the canning process will go according to plan. Canning was one of the many activities that the Home Ec II class learned about. Photo By Nancy Mitchell.

Phys. Ed and Shop

Students do hard work

Physical education, industrial arts, and agricultural education all have one thing in common. They are all out-of-classroom courses. This means that while other students are hard at work computing math problems and studying the mysteries of life at their desks, the students in these three classes are out in the shops, out on the gym floor, or in the weightroom.

Physical education was taught by Mr. Don Cash. The classes consisted of Freshman P.E., Recreational P.E., and Weights and Conditioning. It was his first year teaching P.E. since 1979.

"It's a real change from teaching social studies. There are parts of teaching physical education that I really enjoy and parts that I don't. It'll take some time for me to get used to planning for P.E. classes since I haven't done it for eighteen years," related Mr. Cash.

The students in these classes played many sports such as basketball and volleyball. Much of class time was spent in the weight room toning the muscles of the class members. Freshman P.E. also consisted of a health class which the class participated in on a regular basis.

Industrial arts was taught by a second-year teacher, Mr. Benny Rice.

"This being my second year I've found that it is much

easier to teach the classes for the simple reasons, I know the students and administration and my responsibilities as a teacher," Mr. Rice explained.

In Industrial Arts 1, the students did perspective drawings for the first half of the year. After that, they worked on projects in the shop room. For Industrial Arts 2, the students worked on architectural drawings at first, then switched to projects. Advanced industrial arts members worked on projects from the beginning of the school year.

The classes also received some new woodworking equipment.

"All woodworking classes were glad to see our four new belt sanders arrive," Mr. Rice said.

Agricultural education was taught by Mr. Darrell Wapp. The students in this class could study for contests if they were in FFA, or they could work on projects in the shop. Some projects included building a trailer and putting wheels on a cattle chute.

Mr. Wapp stated, "This year has been the most productive year I have experienced in my six years of teaching, in terms of student achievement and positive student behavior."

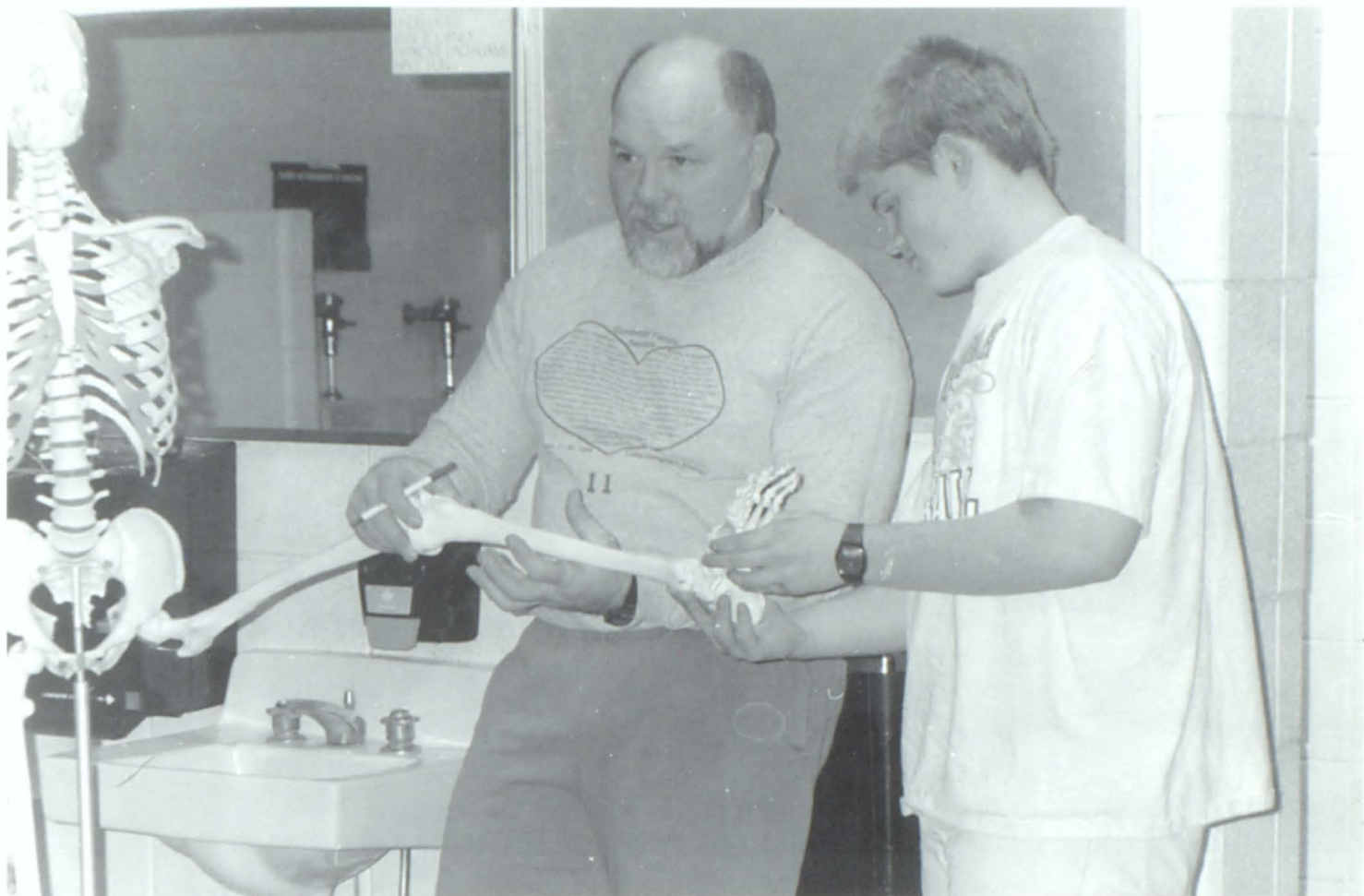


Jeff Scroggins works a wood lathe for his Industrial Arts I class. The wood lathe is one of the many tools that students become familiar with in the Industrial Arts classes. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Derek Luedke welds two pieces of metal for a trailer project he works on in his spare time in Plant & Soil Science. Derek is also enrolled in Animal Science. Photo by Darrell Wapp.

Don Cash, physical education teacher, shows Ben Anderson about the human skeleton for Health class, which is a part of physical education. They are discussing how the knee, leg, and foot all connect and work together. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Bobby Milbourne works on a cabinet for his Advanced Industrial Arts class project. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Stephanie Cook, Kelli Simmons, and Jill Wiedmer stretch before Weights & Conditioning class. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Top Secret

Mission: People

Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to learn about the people of Troy High School, find out what they do and how they act. The data that has been collected by our staff has been printed in the next few pages. The information that follows may be useful.

People. Young and old(er), big and small. There are many types of people at THS and they are all important. The administration tries to run the faculty and the faculty tries to control the students. As far as the students go, the freshmen fear getting picked on, the sophomores are glad they are not getting picked on (as much), the juniors get ready to run the school next year, and the seniors try to enjoy their last year.

The students at THS are always doing something. They participate in sports, drama, and many other extracurricular activities along with trying to complete their school work. When they do get some spare time, they usually hang out with friends or catch-up on sleep.

"At home I usually just sit and watch TV or listen to CD's. At school I play computer games if I can or I just talk with friends if I'm not busy,"

Mr. Jenkins plays through a piece for the choir during class but Sarah Boeh or Miss Shiela Mueller usually played for the concerts. Photo by James Huss.



stated sophomore Cory Ruhnke.

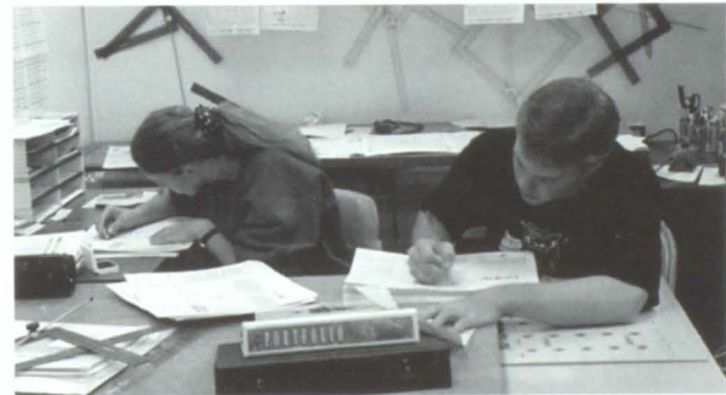
"If I'm not busy doing my homework on the weekends, I like to go over to Shane Akers' house and play pool with my friends." said sophomore Laura Ford.

Everyone knows everybody else here at THS which makes your mission very easy.

What would a school be without a pepband? Ginger Winder, Sarah Boeh, and B.J. Christenson get ready to play before a football game. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Larry Huff strikes a terrific blow with his pillow at Jared Cash. This was one of the many games that were offered at the Renaissance Festival. The drama club took this trip early in the year. Photo by Regina Huff.



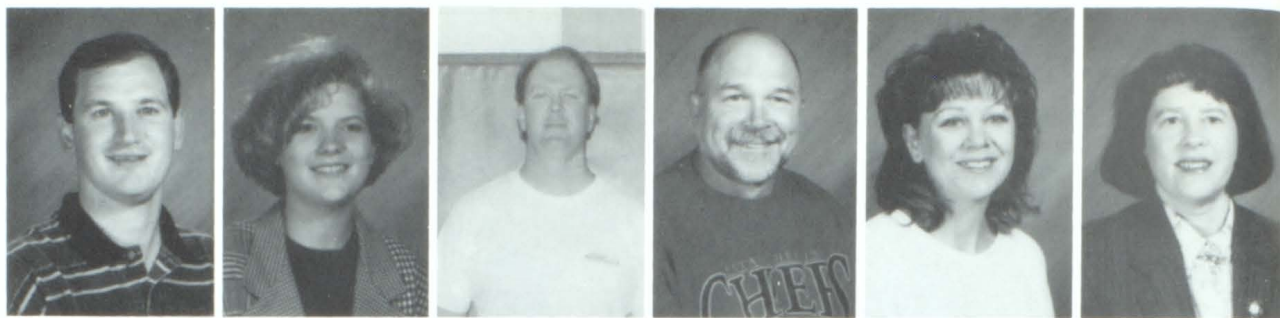
Middle: Shopping is a great thing. Here Errica Stanton, Jessica Stanton, and Jamie Wykert try on sunglasses at the Dollar General. Photo by Lindsey Rosenberger.

Middle: Sandi Nelson and Sarah Geiger enjoy their desserts at Applebee's. This treat came after their accounting trip. Photo by Lindsey Rosenberger.

Bottom: Trying to get their work done, Renee Scholz and Larry Huff write names on envelopes for the publications staff. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Bottom: Tommy Jenkins thinks about what he is going to do as Dallas Walters works frantically beside him. Photo by Regina Huff.

Curtis Anderson
 Janel Anderson
 Pat Casey
 Don Cash
 Sharon Clary
 Nancy Clisbee



Nick Dannevik
 Michelle De Latorre
 Anna Goss
 Earl Guiot
 Nikki Hamre
 Kay Hewins



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Deb Hill
 Babetta Israel
 Derek Jasper
 Darren Jenkins
 Kathy Kasselmann
 Kevin Kelley



Pam Keller
 Toni Larson
 Kenneth Luedke
 Kevin McNorton
 Chrystal Reed
 Ruth Reiter



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Bruce Reynolds
 Benny Rice
 Linda Rice
 Larry "Gator" Rivers
 Lyle Rockey Jr.
 Martha-Jean Rockey



Elizabeth Smith
 Martin Stessman
 Angela Stock
 Steve Thompson
 Diane Walters
 Darrell Wapp
 Cathy Wilson
 Teresa Witt



Faculty/Administration/Staff

THS adds new faces

With the start of a new year come new faces. There were two new teachers added to the THS staff along with a new assistant coach and principal.

Mrs. Cathy Wilson replaced Ms. Cheryl Koelsch as the algebra and advanced math teacher.

Mr. Martin Stessman filled the vacancy of principal left by Beth Reust. Mr. Stessman moved to Troy from Caney, Kansas, where he was a vice-principal for two years.

"I have really enjoyed my first year. We have a wonderful staff who really care about young people and the best students in the state of Kansas," stated Mr. Stessman.

The other teacher added was Mr. Kenneth Luedke, who taught the 1st and 2nd hour physics classes. Mr. Luedke was also part-time teacher at the Highland

Community College and Missouri Western State College.

"THS is an enjoyable place to work and the students I have are a pleasure to work with," stated Mr. Luedke.

Mr. Pat Casey also rejoined the THS staff. Mr. Casey was the boys' basketball coach for the 1995-1996 season. He student taught at Troy High school under Mr. Lyle Rockey Jr. and became the girls' assistant basketball coach for the 1996-1997 season.

"The enthusiastic participation by the students in sports, plays, and clubs has made this year at THS an enjoyable experience to be involved. I will carry the memories of my time at THS with me forever," commented Mr. Casey.

Always ready to serve the students with a good meal are the cooks. Front row: Rosalee Adkins, Bea Koehler, Linda Schultz (head cook), and Margaret Sutherland; Back Row: Jodi Cook, Chloe Winder, and Susan Ford. Not pictured are Gracie Christenson and Betty Dannevik. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



The U.S.D. 429 schoolboard members are. Front Row: Hugh Kinsey (vice-president), and Gary Davies (president); Back Row: Warren Grable Jr., Arlen Ruhnke, Mark Fenley, and Miles Gibson. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



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Bonnie Mitchell and Tim Twombly work hard keeping the school clean. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



The bus drivers are, Front Row: Bea Koehler and Margaret Carey; Back Row: Archie Sutherland, Charlie Hopp, and Dennis Carey. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



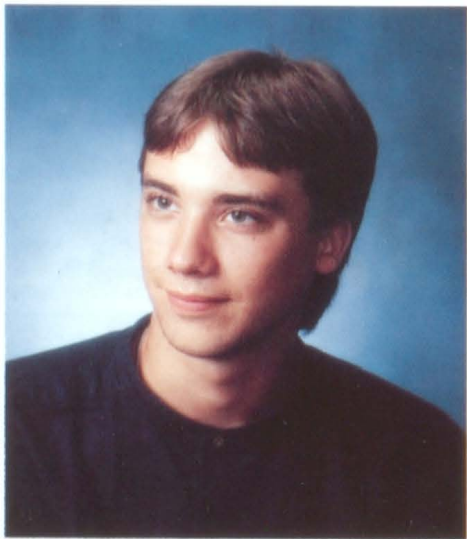
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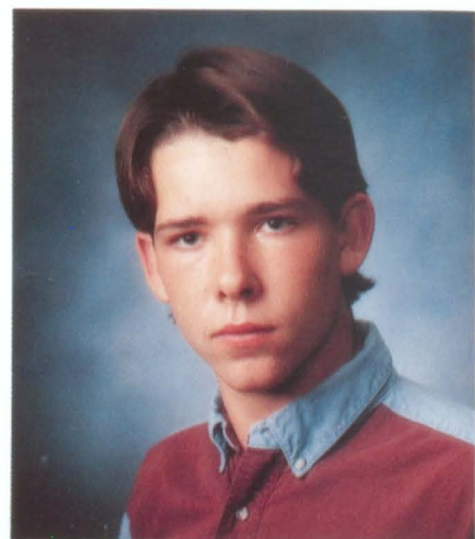
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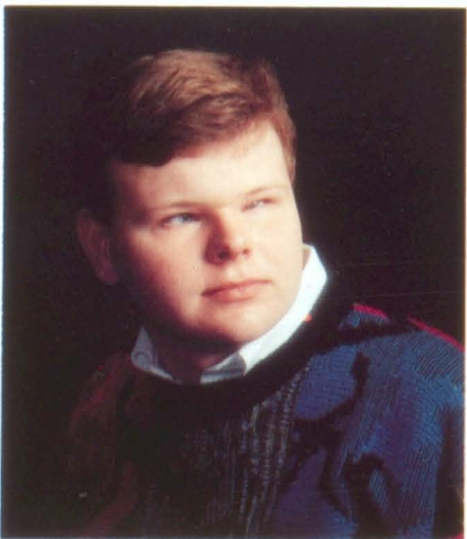
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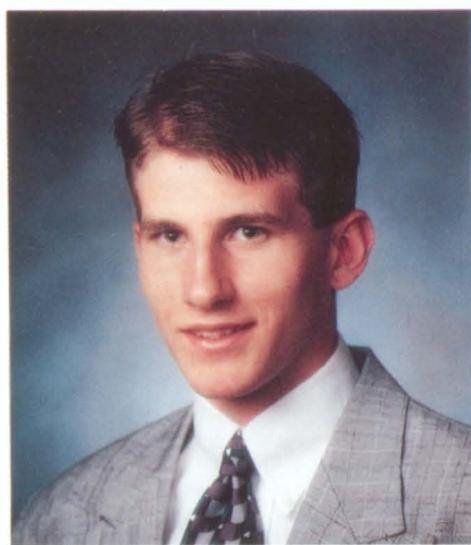
Kristina Lynn Heil



Larry Matthew Huff



Kelly Jean Dishon



Eric A. Donaldson



Kristina S. Drake



Sitting in the tree are the senior class officers: Larry Huff, president; Kristina Drake, vice-president; and Lindsey Rosenberger, secretary/treasurer. Standing on the ground is sponsor Elizabeth Smith.



Michael Wayne Grable



Regina Lynnette Huff

Seniors

Senior's last year comes and goes

As the year started, Julie Boeh exclaimed, "I was excited because I get out of here in a year!"

Being one of the smallest classes, many seniors had different attitudes from the rest of the seniors at the beginning of the year. "WOW! I am a senior; I rule this school!" Others had the idea that it was their last year and they would be leaving.

Other seniors had a different point of view.

Sam Reust stated, "It just seemed like one more year of school."

This being an election year, the seniors had an Election Notebook for one of their required classes, American government. They had to get newspaper articles, brochures, videotapes, etc. about the election and put them in notebook form. Then the seniors had to write a summary of each article and a reason for the author's writing the article.

Many seniors also had the opportunity to vote in their first election.

"I really didn't know most of the people on the ballot, so I just guessed," stated Kelly Dishon.

The other required class that the seniors had was English. Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey and Mrs. Babetta Israel taught the seniors. They had sections on essays, poetry, and drama, and book reports to do.

Chowing down on some pizza was the senior class. The seniors received the pizza party because they had the most parents show up for Parent/Teacher conferences. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



The student council sponsored many class competitions between the four classes. Some of the competitions included food and toy drives, GPA, Halloween dress-up contest, Santa Claus hat-wearing contest, and Parent/Teacher Conferences contest. The seniors managed to win some of the competitions like the food drive and the Parent/Teacher conferences.

"It makes me feel really good inside to know we have a bunch of winners in our class. The food drives were for a good cause and I am glad we could help the needy," said Heath Campbell.

Below: Trying to get instructions on how to build the doll house for family living are Noelle Oyler and Kristina Drake. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Bottom: Three seniors dressed up for the Halloween contest: Regina Huff (the scariest), Jeff Norris (the most original) and Kelly Dishon (the most attractive). The students received various awards for winning. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Because they are the Student Council officers, Sam Reust, Jill Wiedmer, and Lindsey Rosenberger got the opportunity to fly in on the helicopter at the Drug Free/Red Ribbon Day Rally. The students flew from Topeka to Troy. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

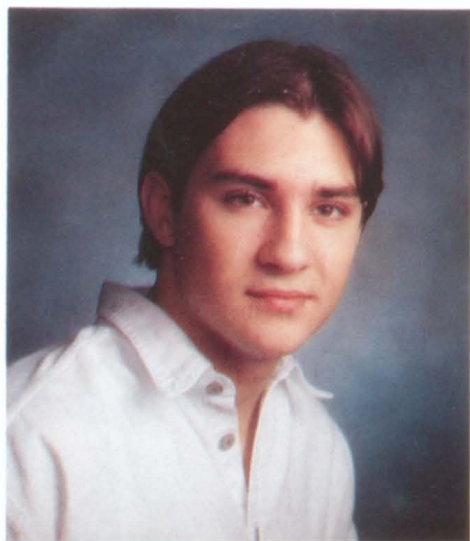


Showing his school spirit during Spirit Week is Nathan Penny as a hippie on Thursday. Many other people dressed up and showed their school spirit. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Top: Trying to figure out how to put together the doll house are Jill Wiedmer and Kelli Simmons. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Bottom: Heath Campbell tries to play the piano during chorus after they had rehearsal. Photo by James Huss.



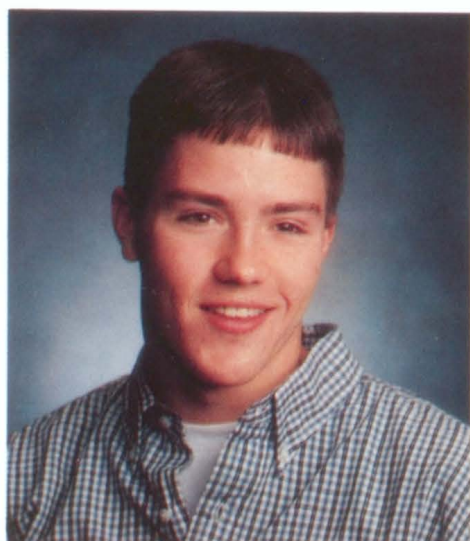
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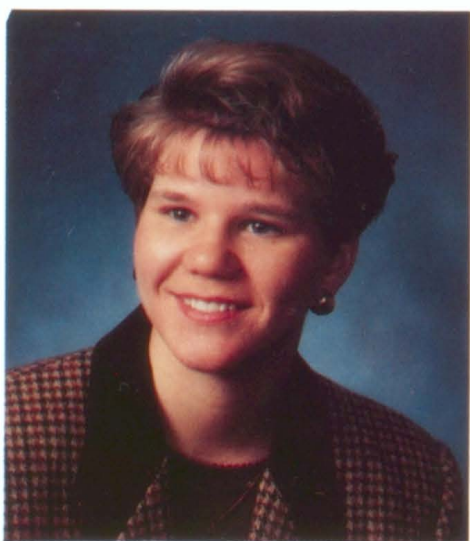
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Lindsey M. Rosenberger



Renee Lynn Scholz



Kelli Lynne Simmons



Heath Wayne Whetstine



Jill Louise Wiedmer



Jeffrey Wayne Norris



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Nathan Wayne Penny



The class of 1997: Front Row: Michael Grable, Pat Drake, Kristina Heil, Jill Wiedmer, Kelli Simmons, Nancy Mitchell, and Renee Scholz. Row 2: Kristy Clary, Noelle Oyler, Julie Boeh, Regina Huff, Kelly Dishon, and Alissa Durbin. Row 3: Nathan Penny and Gabe Durr. Row 4: Eric Donaldson, Tio Martinez, Kristina Drake, Doug Handley, Clinton McNemee, Heath Campbell, Sam Reust, Larry Huff, Lindsey Rsenberger, and Heath Whetstine. Photo by Bray.

The class clowns of the senior class are Noelle Oyler and Nathan Penny.



The loudest members of the senior class are Lindsey Rosenberger and Heath Campbell.



Alissa Durbin and Heath Whetstine are the most athletic in the senior class.



Senior Class Survey



Clinton McNemee and Kelli Simmons have the best personality in the senior class.



The two most likely to succeed in the senior class are Larry Huff and Regina Huff.



The biggest flirts in the senior class are Heath Campbell and Kelly Dishon.

The senior survey was conducted and the class voted for the winners.

Lindsey Rosenberger and Tito Martinez have the best bodies.



The quietest members of the senior class are Kristy Clary and Jeff Norris.



Eric Donaldson and Jill Wiedmer are the best looking in the senior class.



Kristina Drake and Pat Drake are considered the biggest partiers in the senior class.



The best dressed members of the senior class are Jill Wiedmer and Heath Campbell.

Spare Time

Spare time tends to be scarce

Spare time? Yeah, right! Trying to juggle homework, acting, sports, and every other activity under the sun, and still have spare time was nearly impossible for the students of Troy High School.

"I work and work and work," commented Kelly Dishon, senior.

Working was one of the many spare time activities students had throughout the year. Many students worked to pay for their cars, buy clothes, and earn little extra spending money to go out on the weekends.

Cruising and going to parties were some of the other spare time activities students enjoyed doing on the weekends. Weekends were a time to bond with friends and just hang out.

"Taryn, Jessica, Katherine, Jamie, and I cruise on the weekends and usually find a party," commented Errica Stanton, junior.

Some spent their time doing what they love and enjoy. Sports. Many student could be found in the gym, at the local tennis courts, or outside their homes just hanging out.

"I really don't have much spare time because I work on my athletics, because I am a full time athlete," laughed Dallas Keller, junior.

Spare time in high school meant a few minutes here and there, or it could be the few minutes a student spent in his or her car frantically getting to the next destination on time.

"I like to spend my spare time sitting in my room,



Primping to go out and kill some spare time hanging out as friends, is juniors Nicole Kinsey and Christy Gibson. Photo by Sarah Boeh.

listening to my stereo or cruising around town listening to the radio. Sometimes doing nothing can relax me after a long week of school," commented Andy Franken, junior.

Needless to say, school kept students busy and spare time was rare. Homework was something that students had to have time to fit in. Between school work and extracurricular activities students struggled to find just a few extra minutes to relax and have fun.

Not all student spent their spare time going out places, some spent time quality time at home.

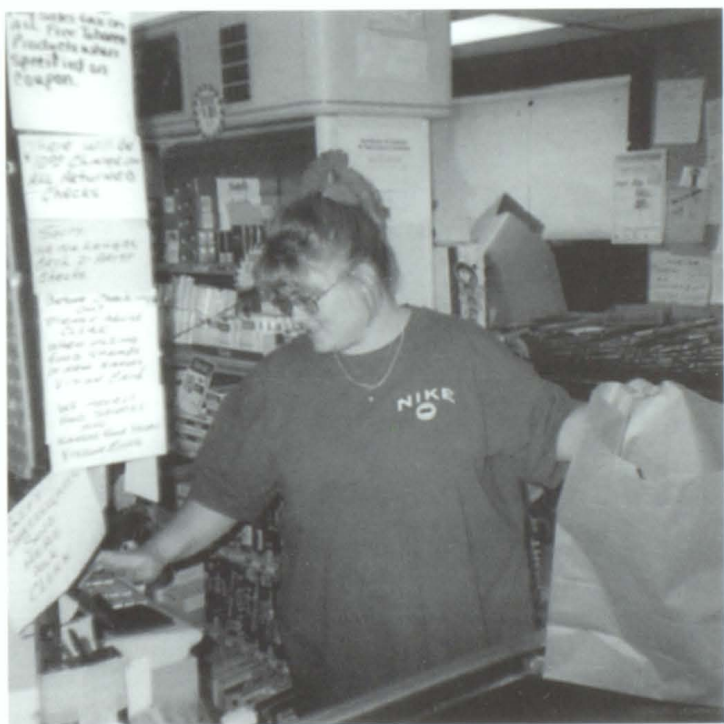
Freshman Angie Bramlage commented, "I like to get on the Internet at my house in my spare time. I am hooked on it! I also spend time going to piano lessons and I also practice for two or three hours a week."

All the different varieties of people and their different views of how to spend their spare time were what made every day unique at Troy High School.



Stocking produce is senior Nancy Mitchell. She, as well as others, is employed at Fleek's Market in Blair. Photo by Chris Hoverson.

Chatting over supper at McDonalds are junior Ryan Grable, freshmen Tad Blanton, and senior Regina Huff. The cross country team often stopped at places to eat after meets. This gave the runners a chance to refuel after they ran. Photo by James Huss.



Ringing up the groceries of customers is senior Noelle Oyler. She works at Fleek's Market in Blair. Photo by Chris Hoverson.

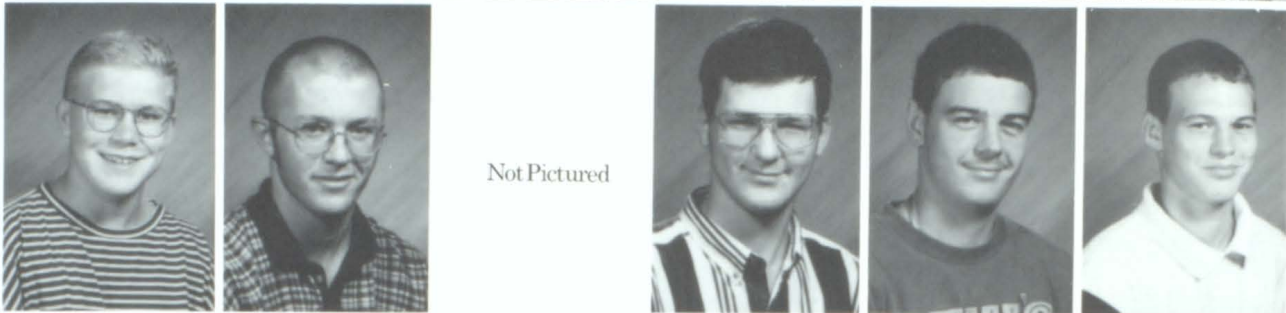


Junior Aaron Davissacks groceries while junior Andy Bramlage rings them up. Photo by Christy Gibson.

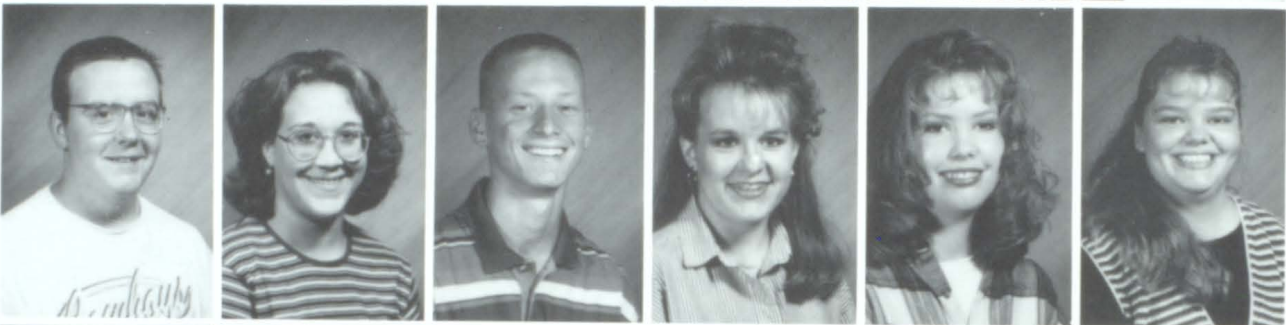
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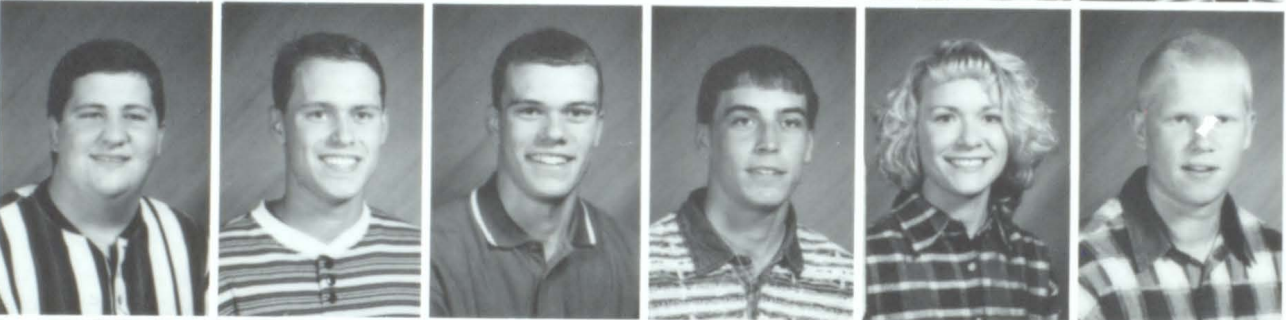
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 Kirk Jamvold
 Brad Johnson
 Dallas Keller
 Nicole Kinsey
 Corey Kostman



Meredith Mason
 Bobby Milbourne
 Sandi Nelson
 Angie Neumann
 Jeremy Prawl
 Katherine Robinson



Taryn Schmidt
 Amy Schmile
 Errica Stanton
 Jessica Stanton
 Kyle Thomas
 Tim Uplinger
 Tyler Whetstine
 Shanna Wright
 Jamie Wykert



Juniors

'Three years down and one to go'

'Three down and one to go' was a familiar phrase among many of the juniors.

After two years of being underclassmen and waiting at the end of the line the juniors anxiously awaited being near the front, but to their disappointment the privilege of seniority was pulled out from under them.

When it came time for enrollment, juniors were given the freedom of choosing five of their seven classes. Their two required classes were American history and English. The other five classes were their choice.

The junior-senior prom was one of the responsibilities taken on by the juniors. Being a class of diverse opinions and preferences the junior class spent many meetings trying to come to a conclusion. After forming committees to decide a third color, theme, and all the little details that go along with prom, they finally came up with an idea they could all (well, almost all) agree on.

"I thought the meetings were a mess and everybody should have shut up so we could get something accomplished," laughed Shanna Wright.

The concession stand was another responsibility

the juniors had. Having such a big class helped to limit the number of games one person had to work. Along with having Mr. Reynolds as class sponsor they were also fortunate to have Gracie Christensen as the concession stand sponsor.

"I liked Gracie because she was a lot of fun. Working the concession stand was somewhat fun, and it was a good way to make money," commented Jenny Ford.

Despite being such a diverse class, the juniors proved to be able to work together and overcome all the obstacles that were thrown at them such as prom and concession stand. They made the most of their year and now they anxiously await being seniors next year. This class is and always will be one of a kind.

For some people, being an upperclassman made their junior year more fun and a little more interesting.

"My junior year was filled with a lot of fun times in football and in wrestling. The extra privileges gained as a junior make (school) a lot more fun than the last two years of high school have been," commented Tim Uplinger.

Overall, the junior class had a very interesting and fun year.



Happy to work in the concession stand are Andy Franken and Corey Kostman. They are waiting on hungry customers. Photo by James

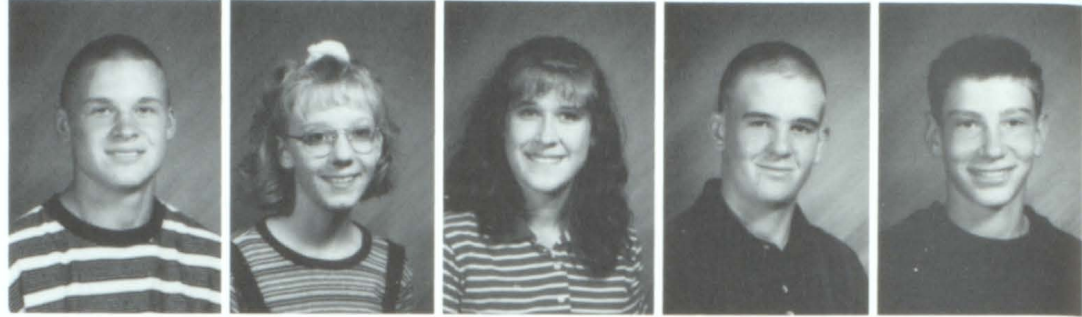


Hanging from the pole are junior class officers Dallas Keller, president, and Kyle Thomas, vice-president; standing are sponsor, Bruce Reynolds, and Nicole Kinsey, secretary/treasurer. Photo by Bray.

Shane Akers
 Alisha Benitz
 Megan Boeh
 Stephanie Cook
 Katherine Culp



Justin Engemann
 Linda Feek
 Laura Ford
 Nathan Geiger
 Ryan Grable



Larissa Handley
 April Heimer
 Amy King
 Kristin Kinsey
 Derek Luedke



Kyle McConnaughey
 Matt McKittrick
 Suzie Oyerly
 Clint Peden
 Nathan Reynolds



Cory Ruhnke
 Casey Rush
 Betsy Schultz
 Corey Smith
 P.J. Smith



Brett Speaks
 Christy Stahl
 Christy Stewart
 Pearl Stewart
 Marietta Wood



Sophomores

Sophomores gain experience

The sophomores had the challenge of gaining more respect and responsibilities.

The sophomores were required to take an English class and a type of science class. Although a math class and social science class were not required, they were recommended to take to get out of the way.

"Actually my sophomore year was a lot easier than my freshman year. I know all of the teachers and students this year and can ask for help when I need it," stated Nathan Reynolds.

One of the most important decisions for the

Kyle McConnaughey, Ryan Grable, and Derek Luedke play a friendly game of cards. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



sophomores was which class ring to buy. With so many styles and options it proved to be a long and difficult process. The class rings were purchased from Jostens.

"It was a hard decision picking out which ring I wanted. There were many choices. I had wanted a long time to get the ring and I'm glad I finally did," stated Amy King.

The sophomore class sponsor was Miss Kathy Kasselmann who taught computers and accounting.

The sophomores participated in their annual fund-raiser of selling Red Wheel merchandise. They were raising money for their senior trip.

"I think that the fundraiser was a big success. I liked it, and it helped the class as well as the other people who purchased the merchandise," stated Linda Feek.

"The sophomores did an excellent job of selling Red Wheel items. Twenty-seven out thirty of sophomores sold the required amount of items. They are a fun class to work with. The year has been very active with participating in the Homecoming parade and selling Redwheel items," commented Miss Kasselmann.

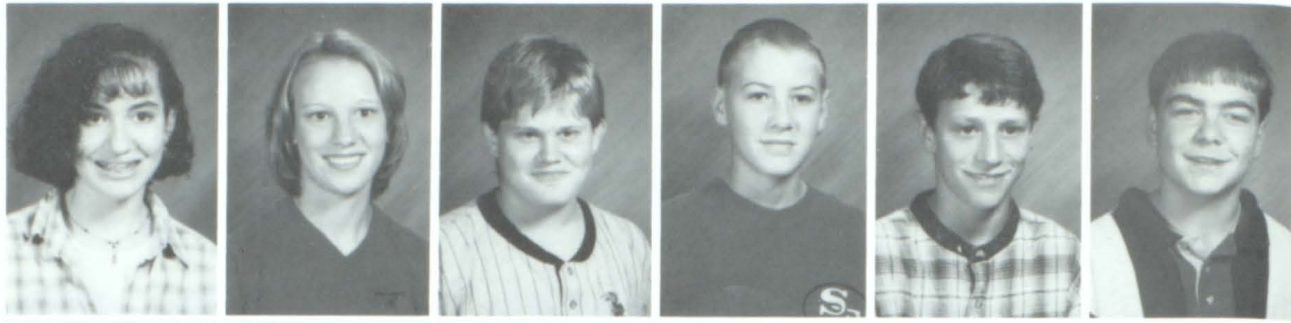
The sophomore class officers are: Kyle McConnaughey, vice-president; Betsy Schultz, treasurer; Megan Boeh, secretary; Ryan Grable, president; and sponsor Kathy Kasselmann. Photo by Lifetouch.



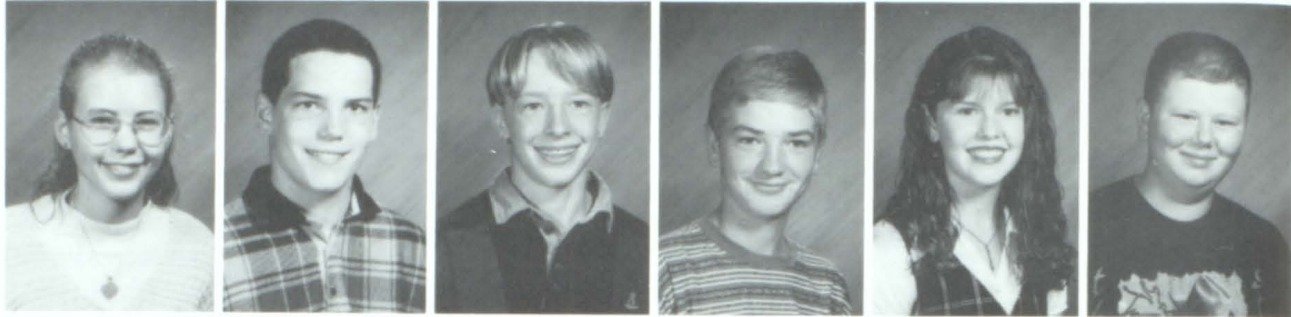
Left: Katie Culp, Laura Ford, and Suzie Oyerly enjoy their lunch. The first lunch period was comprised mostly of freshmen and sophomores. Photo by Regina Huff.



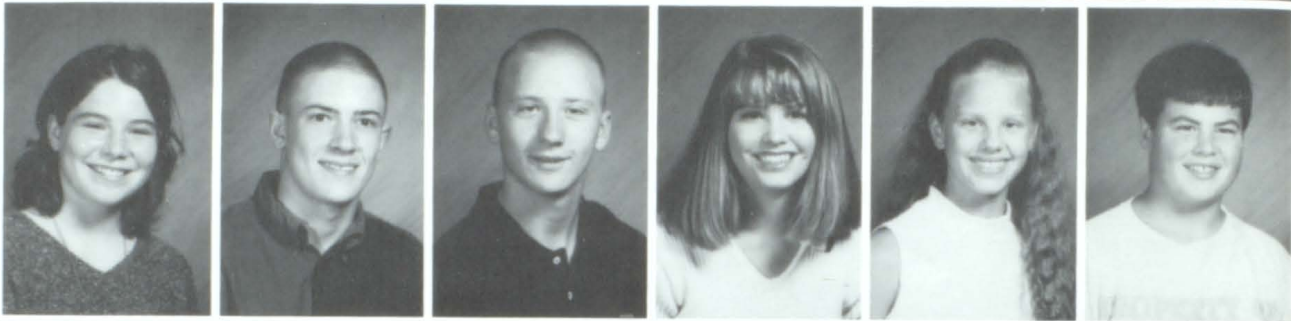
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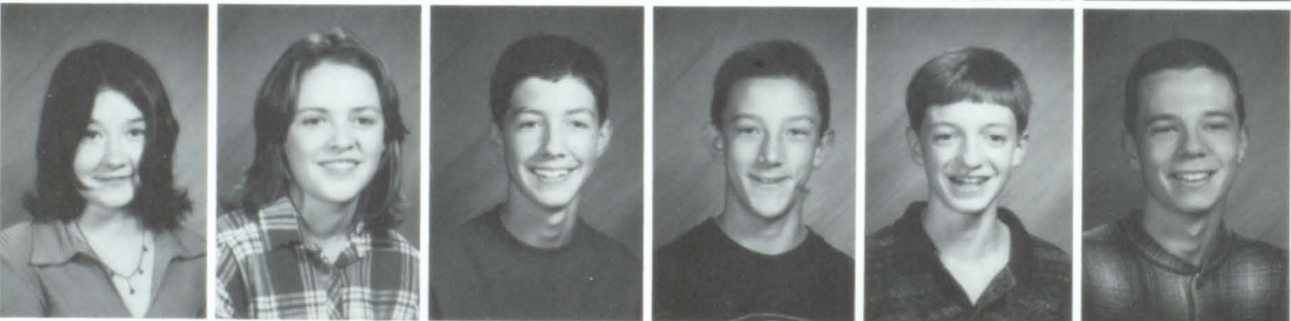
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Regan Miner
 Erin Murphy
 Steve Nelson
 Roger Orcutt
 Jared Pickerell
 Jeramie Reno



Robin Rodgers
 Shelby Scholz
 Jeff Scroggins
 Jared Shelton
 John Smith
 Janessa Stamper



Freshmen

Freshmen are introduced to THS

Moving up in the world, the freshmen made one of the most nerve-racking changes of their teen-age life, going to high school.

Being a freshmen means taking new classes and being in a different building, but the most exciting and fun parts are the new activities and special privileges gained by being in high school.

"I was afraid I would get lost and not find my class," said Regan Miner.

Keeping busy, the freshmen realized they had very little extra time at home. The freshmen kept active in clubs such as Kayettes and Drama Club, these two clubs which did the most activities. Juggling sports, clubs, and homework, the freshmen realized how much different high school is than middle school.

"I like being involved in all my activities and I think high school is a blast, but sometimes I am just too busy to do the things I want to do or to just sit down and relax," commented Lynsay Gibson.

The freshman class's main fundraiser was Tom Wat.

Tom Wat, being a tradition, was a major money-maker for prom and senior trip even though carrying that big box around could be a hassle.

"Tom Wat wasn't one my favorite thing to do starting off high school, but that's okay," laughed Regina Adams.

Overall most of the freshmen enjoyed their first year of high. The freshmen learned what it was like to always be busy and never have enough time to do what they wanted.

The freshman class was the largest class in the high school this year. They had more advantage to winning class competitions because of their number.

Having more freedom and being involved in many activities was a big plus for many of the freshmen. They realized high school isn't as bad as they thought it could be.

"I think high school is a lot of fun and there is so much to do and we have a lot more freedom than we did in junior high. It wasn't as bad as I thought it would be. I had fun," commented Erin Murphy.



Jamie Stewart
Brandi Strong
Tyler Thomas
Crystal Trant



Ross Turpin
Dallas Walter
Christine Whetstine
Lacey Whittaker



Sitting on the ledge are freshman class officers, (top to bottom) Ben Anderson, president; Ginger Winder, vice-president; Erin Murphy, secretary; Angie Bramlage, treasurer. Standing is Mr. Thompson, freshman class sponsor. Photo by Bray

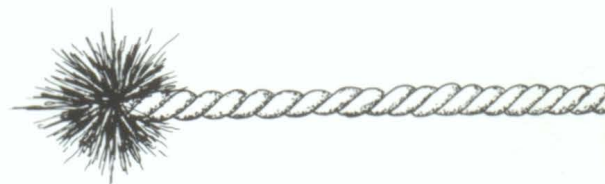
Ginger Winder



Katherine Robinson and Christy Gibson blow bubbles to pass the time during the Trojan Invitational volleyball tournament. Photo by Renee Scholz.



The Trojan Wrestlers were always having a lot of fun at wrestling meets. Jared Cash sits on Matt McKittrick, while others help. Photo by Tim Uplinger.



Trojans always give it everything

Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to find out how athletic the Troy Trojans are. You must find out the highs and the lows. Find out the teams that did well and the teams that wish they had one more chance. This school is very competitive. Very rarely will you find an individual or a team not giving the sport everything they can to be the best that they can.

Ryan Grable, a sophomore who competed in many sports, said, "The past year was very exciting in all of the sports I participated in. We accomplished a lot and had a lot of fun."

There were six sports that the Trojan athletes

could compete in. Football, volleyball, cross-country, girls' and boys' basketball, wrestling, and track and field all took place at various times throughout the year. There was also cheerleading and dance squad, which was new this year.

Marietta Wood said, "I had a lot of fun in volleyball and cheerleading. I think we worked well as a team in volleyball, and we all got along with each other."

As far as teams go, the Trojan boys were tough in cross country, tri-DVL champions in football, and undefeated DVL champions in basketball, a very impressive accomplishment for any school. The girls had a few stumbling blocks, but they were always fighting and always in the game in whatever sport they were competing in.

Cole Jarrett said, "Football and basketball were fun and exciting because both teams turned out to be pretty successful. The highlight of my basketball season (junior varsity) was when we came back to beat Valley Falls after being behind at half-time."

Andy Frankin shoots an easy three-pointer at half-time of a boys' varsity game while the rest of the team waits for a rebound. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Members of the girls' cross country team warm up with calisthenics before beginning the race at the Troy Invitational meet. Photo by James Huss.



Trying to get out of an opponent's grasp, Jesse Cash wrestles with everything he's got. Unfortunately he lost. Photo by Kelly Dishon.

Crossing the goal line, the Trojans power their way into the end zone against a tough JCN defense. The Trojan offense had six people make the All-League Team. Photo by James Huss.



Football season ends on good note

The Trojan football season was full of many close games. Troy had a great mixture of speed and strength. This mixture is one of the best that Troy has seen in a very long time. Going into the season Troy had very high hopes.

These high hopes only made the season even more of a disappointment that it ended as early as it did.

Tyler Whetstine replied, "It's over. I'm sure everyone is disappointed about the way it ended, and they should be. But you just have to move on and get ready for a better season next year."

There were many ups and downs. The season began as the team defeated Jackson Heights, McLouth, and Horton. Then came a tough loss to Riley County, a team that did well in the 3A State Playoffs.

"The best moment of the season was beating Jackson Heights. The worst moment had to be the disappointing loss to JCN," commented Andy Franken.

The Trojans won the next three games, including a 52-point game against Valley Falls but then came the loss

to JCN. That JCN game proved to be the disappointing loss of the year as the Trojans lost all hope of the playoffs.

Corey Kostman stated, "Although we had a good record, the team didn't always play up to its potential. I'm looking forward to improving next year."

Troy went out in style as they beat Highland. They finished with a 7-2 record and a share of the DVL Championship.

"It was a fun but disappointing season. I believe we were at our best early in the season and had a few let-downs late in the season," recollected Heath Whetstine.

Troy had ten players on the All-League team. Andy Franken and Clinton McNemie were the lone first-teamers. The second-teamers consisted of Heath Whetstine, Dallas Keller, Tyler Whetstine, Michael Grable, Corey Kostman, and Tito Martinez. Jeremy Prawland and Larry Huff received Honorable Mention.

Coach Don Cash philosophized, "Success will come to those who wait, as long as they work while they wait."

The 1996 Trojan Football Team prepared to be the best. Front Row: Derek Luedke, Tyler Thomas, Nathan Reynolds, Angel Martinez, Charles Boeh, Jared Shelton, Ben Anderson, Tommy Jenkins, Jesse Cash, and Matt McKittrick. Row 2: Assistant Coach Benny Rice, Head Coach Don Cash, Steve Nelson, Cole Jarrett, Aaron Franken, Jimmy Horner, Kyle McConnaughey, Neal Eylar, Assistant Coach Derek Jasper, and Assistant Coach Bruce Reynolds. Row 3: Justin Engemann, Ryan Grable, Jared Cash, Andy Franken, Brad Johnson, Micah Campbell, Dustin Ferris, Clint Peden, and Casey Rush. Row 4: Tito Martinez, Tim Uplinger, Corey Kostman, Clinton McNemee, Tyler Whetstine, Kyle Thomas, Sam Reust, and Gabe Durr. Row 5: Kirk Jamvold, Heath Whetstine, Micheal Grable, Adam Clary, Jaylon Ashburn, Larry Huff, Nathan Geiger, Jeremy Prawl, and Dallas Keller. Photo by Visual Sports Network.



FOOTBALL SCORES

Troy	Opponent
23	McLouth 12
34	Horton 12
26	Jackson Heights 16
21	Riley County 26
28	Pleasant Ridge 0
16	Wathena 3
52	Valley Falls 28
28	JCN 44
41	Highland 6



Dallas Keller rounds the corner, looking to bust a huge gain. Keller finished with over 1,000 rushing yards. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Above: The Trojan offense gets ready to face off against the McLouth Bulldogs. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



The "Pile" is a Trojan ritual after a big win. It is used to show team unity. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

HOMECOMING CREATES ENERGY

The energy and excitement of the week all came back to us as Homecoming 1996 activities were underway, the week of September 30.

Miss Lindsey Rosenberger was crowned Homecoming Queen during the ceremonies preceding the game. Mr. Heath Whetstine was given the honor of Head Escort.

The court was Kelly Dishon, Renee Scholz, Kelli Simmons, and Jill Wiedmer. The escorts were Larry Huff, Tito Martinez, Clinton McNemee, and Sam Reust.

"I was really surprised when my name was announced Homecoming Queen. I didn't expect to hear my name called, but, when it was, I was honored," stated Lindsey Rosenberger.

Heath Whetstine commented, "After kissing Lindsey, I had stars in my eyes."

The flower girls were Lacey Smith and Kerya Wykert. The crown bearers were Jacob Smith and Kyle Smith.

The festivities started out with classes decorating the business windows on Main Street. Spirit Week kicked off with Monday as P.J. Day; Tuesday, Twin or Dress Up Day; Wednesday, Opposite Sex or Backwards Day; Thursday, Retro or Hippie Day; and Friday, Blue-and-White Day.

The bonfire took place Thursday night at the 4-H grounds. The annual parade down Main Street was Friday afternoon. Every class entered a float to boost spirit.

Mr. Legs candidates were Heath Campbell, Larry Huff, Tito Martinez, Clinton McNemee, Sam Reust, and Heath Whetstine. Clinton McNemee received the honor of being chosen Mr. Legs 1996. He received a medal for his "spectacular legs."

The Trojans defeated the Pleasant Ridge Rams, 28-0. This put everyone in the mood to dance the night away.

The theme for the dance was "It's All Coming Back To Me Now" by Celine Dion. Matt's Mobile Music out of Saint Joseph, Missouri provided the music.

Adam Clary, Neal Eylar, and Brad Johnson spent a morning preparing the field for Homecoming. Photo by Kelli Simmons.



The juniors ride high on the float they decorated for the Homecoming parade down Main Street. Their float theme was Dehorn the Rams. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Turning Bobby Milbourne into a girl isn't an easy task for Allisha Benitz during Opposite Sex Day for Spirit Week. Photo by James Huss.



Stepping back in time Jill Wiedmer, Kelli Simmons, and Kelly Dishon dress retro for Spirit Week. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Competition was everywhere during Homecoming Week. The Homecoming King candidates had to scoot the Queen candidates down part of Main Street and be wheel-barreled back. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



The King and Queen for 1996 are Heath Whetstine and Lindsey Rosenberger. Photo by Bray.



The 1996 Homecoming Queen and King candidates are Kelly Dishon, Larry Huff, Renee Scholz, Clinton McNemee, Lindsey Rosenberger, Heath Whetstine, Kelli Simmons, Sam Reust, Jill Wiedmer, and Tito Martinez. The crownbearers and flower girls are Kerya Wykert, Kyle Smith, Lacey Smith, and Jacob Smith. Photo by Nicole Kinsey.

SCORECARD

Scores	Opponent
6-15, 15-7, 12-15	Nodaway Holt
3-15, 1-15	Maranatha Academy
15-10, 11-15, 15-12	Midway
11-15, 15-7, 7-15	Highland
2-15, 12-15	Oskaloosa
15-13, 3-15, 11-15	Jackson Heights
0-15, 1-15	Valley Heights
9-15, 5-15	Highland
1-15, 1-15	Centralia
15-4, 10-15, 14-16	JCN
15-5, 15-13	Wathena
15-12, 6-15, 18-16	McLouth
2-15, 11-15	KSD
15-6, 7-15, 15-11	Valley Falls
7-15, 10-15	JCN
15-2, 15-5	Midway
6-15, 4-15	South Nodaway
2-15, 1-15	Centralia
17-15, 14-16, 15-13	Horton
7-15, 11-15	Pleasant Ridge
10-15, 7-15	Pleasant Ridge
13-15, 15-17	JCN
12-15, 15-7, 15-6	Horton
15-10, 15-2	Valley Falls
3-15, 3-15	Chase County

The Troy Volleyball Team was: Front Row: Melissa Campbell, Lynsay Gibson, Lacey Whittaker, Christine Whetstone, Amber Clary, and Ginger Winder. Row 2: Allisha Benitz, Robin Rodgers, Crystal Trant, Jamie Stewart, Melissa Albers, Erin Murphy, and Marietta Wood. Row 3: Coach Kay Hewins, Megan Boeh, Katie Culp, Stephanie Cook, Suzie Oyerly, Christy Stewart, Betsy Schultz, and Coach's Aide Crystal Reed. Row 4: Kristin Kinsey, Sarah Geiger, Sarah Boeh, Sandi Nelson, and Nicole Kinsey. Row 5: Katherine Robinson, Christy Gibson, Errica Stanton, and Jessica Stanton. Row 6: Kelli Simmons, Regina Huff, Lindsey Rosenberger, and Renee Scholz. Photo by Visual Sports Network.



Above: Kelly Dishon, Sarah Boeh, Sandi Nelson, Regina Huff, and Katherine Robinson prepare to receive the serve. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

After the block by the opponent, Regina Huff, Sandi Nelson, and Renee Scholz scramble for the ball, as Katherine Robinson, Kelli Simmons, and Kelly Dishon look on. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Nicole Kinsey does the dance, "Little Sally Walker", during a pre-game warm-up at the Troy Invitational Tournament. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Killing the ball in the opponent's face is Kristin Kinsey. Nicole Kinsey, Regina Huff, and Katherine Robinson prepare to get into defensive coverage of Kristin's hit. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Volleyball season below expectations

The Lady Trojan Volleyball Team started the season with a new coaching staff and new expectations. The season proved to have many stumbling blocks which the Lady Trojans had to overcome.

The regular season highlights were the wins over Wathena in two games and McLouth in three in the same night. At the DVL Tournament, the Lady Trojans played the best they had ever played all season. Although they didn't break pool play, the team "gelled" together. The season ended for the Lady Trojans with a loss to Chase County High School in the Sub-State Tournament at Rossville High School.

"The whole Sub-State experience was okay. The game really went badly for us, but we managed to have a good time on the bus. The best time had to have been singing 'Cumbersome,'" commented junior Katherine Robinson.

The varsity team ended the season with a record of 8-17.

The volleyball team had 31 ladies turn out for the

season. The freshmen had the most participating with ten. The sophomores had nine participating, followed closely by the juniors with eight. The seniors had four players participating.

Sarah Geiger, junior, stated, "Honestly, I was very disappointed [with the overall season]. Troy High School Volleyball had begun to establish an excellent team and to see it be lost so quickly in one season was really sad. I only hope that some changes will be made next year."

Two players were named to the DVL All-League Team. Renee Scholz, senior, was named to the first team as a middle hitter/blocker. She received a medal for her accomplishments in the season. Nicole Kinsey, junior, was named to the honorable mention team as a setter.

"I was really honored when I found out I was selected. It was a real surprise. I never thought I'd even be considered since I only played in the front row," commented senior Renee Scholz on receiving first team All-League.

Cross Country has strong year

The 1996 Trojan Harriers didn't really know what to expect going into the season. Curtis Anderson stepped in as coach after Tom Bond left. Darrell Wapp became assistant coach. Although the team had qualified for state the year before, it lost four of its best runners to graduation. The team consisted of twelve boys and nine girls. Of these 21 runners, ten were freshmen, which made Troy a little inexperienced.

Melissa Albers, freshman, reflected on the season: "I had a lot of fun during the season. Coach Anderson helped us to become better every day during practice. I think we should have even a stronger team next season."

The boys' and girls' teams competed strongly all year, but were marred with injuries late in the season. The girls' best team finish was second at the Centralia meet and second at the Troy meet, while the boys' best team finish was fourth also at the Troy meet. The girls also did well at regionals placing fourth.

Heath Campbell, senior, said, "The final statistics don't really show the effort and heart that everyone put into the season."

Megan Boeh made All-League and All-County. Melissa Albers, Brett Speaks, and Ryan Grable all were named to the All-County team.

Megan Boeh said, "I think that the team did a good job this season. We had a really strong team at the beginning of the season, but several injuries really slowed us down later on. We worked hard all season to be the best that we could be."

Sarah Boeh, junior, commented, "The moment I remember best from the season was when everyone was covered with mud from head to toe at the McLouth meet."

The season ended abruptly as no one moved on past regionals. This was the first time no one from Troy had qualified for state in three years.

Front Row: James Huss, Tad Blanton, Sarah Boeh, Crystal Trant, Allisha Benitz, Melissa Campbell, Brandi Strong, P.J. Smith. Row 2: Coach Curtis Anderson, Megan Boeh, Jared Pickerell, Jesse Cash, Ross Turpin, Brett Speaks, Regina Huff, Melissa Albers, Coach Darrell Wapp. Row 3: Michael Jenkins, B.J. Christenson, Micah Campbell, Heath Campbell, Larry Huff, Jared Cash, Ryan Grable, Sarah Geiger. Photo by Visual Sports Network.



Ryan Grable tries to keep up with Heath Campbell as they pass the one-mile mark at McLouth. Photo by Regina Huff.

Larry Huff, left, runs through the timber at the DVL meet in McLouth. Photo by Regina Huff.



"I wonder how we did..." Brett Speaks asks Ryan Grable and Crystal Trant at the awards assembly at the Troy Invitational. The Trojan girls finished second, while the boys finished fourth. Photo by James Huss.



"Almost there..." Regina Huff, left, presses on at the Troy Invitational. Huff finished eighteenth overall. Photo by James Huss.



Top: Brett Speaks, right, crosses the bridge at the McLouth meet. Photo by Regina Huff.



Above: After being hurt at regionals, Sarah Boeh hugs Janel Anderson. Photo by James Huss.

SCORECARD

Boys' (3.1 Miles) Best Times

Brett Speaks	18:43
Ryan Grable	19:05
Heath Campbell	19:08
Tad Blanton	19:48
Jesse Cash	20:43
Larry Huff	20:44
Jared Cash	20:54
Michael Jenkins	21:55
Micah Campbell	21:58
Ross Turpin	22:17
B.J. Christenson	22:26
Jared Pickerell	23:23

Girls' (2 miles)

Sarah Boeh	13:20
Megan Boeh	13:43
Melissa Albers	14:38
Melissa Campbell	14:46
Brandi Strong	14:53
Sarah Geiger	15:30
Regina Huff	16:12
Crystal Trant	16:41

T-Club stays active all year

T-Club was responsible for the alumni basketball tournament, which brought the alumni back together for two days of fun and competition. The club had over 55 members. Many of them worked at the alumni tournament doing various things such as concessions, collecting money at the front door, keeping score, and running the clock.

Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey, a co-sponsor, felt that "the year was successful but we had activities planned for the spring late-night and this pep rally never took place. Considering the conflict with the play, there was a good turn out to help with alumni games."

President Sarah Geiger said, "The activities of the T-Club seem to go unnoticed, but we do many things for the

athletic department. We provide all the plaques in the halls, plaques for coaches and senior plaques, and coordinate the alumni tournament. Next year we need to focus on increasing finances to provide for the extra number of plaques that will be needed."

For the first time in history T-Club had only one banquet. They had the spring banquet honoring all students of any sport and also providing special recognition to the students who lettered. The coaches of basketball, football, volleyball, track, cross-country, wrestling, and the head cheerleader, summed up the entire year. Each gave a short speech, then handed out their awards. Those who lettered for the first time received a T, and those who had already lettered received a bar to add to the T. Many students and their families attended this award ceremony and potluck dinner.

Katie Culp felt that, "students may work harder or do more school-oriented activities to gain admittance."

Coach Kevin Kelley said, "The T-Club is a great organization. Our big money-maker is the alumni tournament. We had 99% participation from those who signed up. We need to meet a couple of times more during the year so we can get more input on what the T-Club would like to do during the year."

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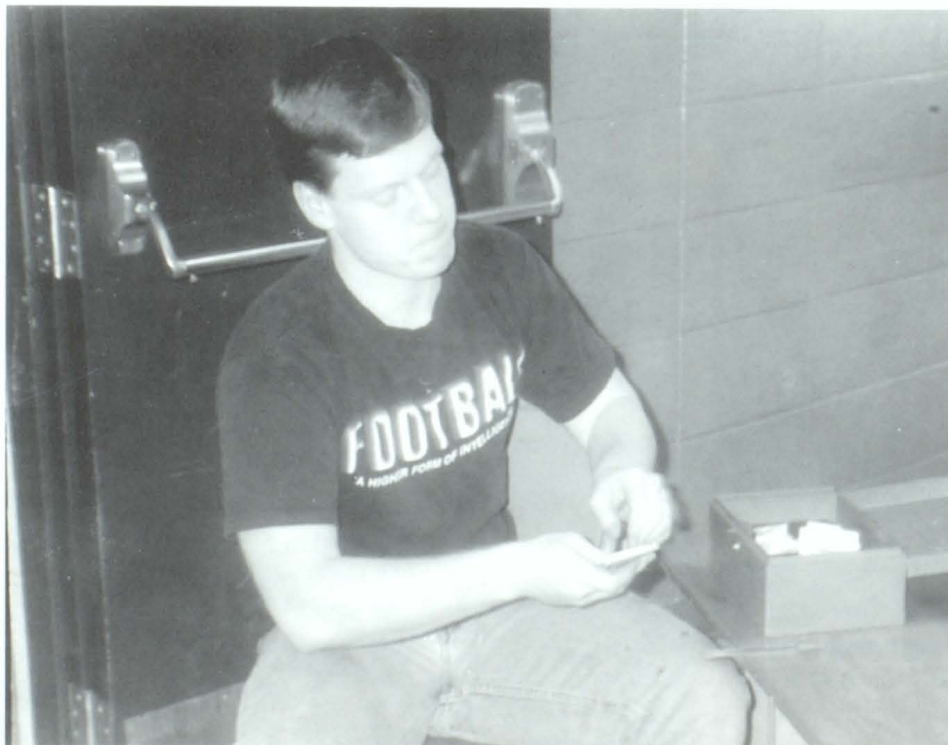
T-Club is a very big group. Since we have so many people, there isn't a lot to do at our events. I think the amount of people in T-Club shows our school pride.

-Andy Bramlage

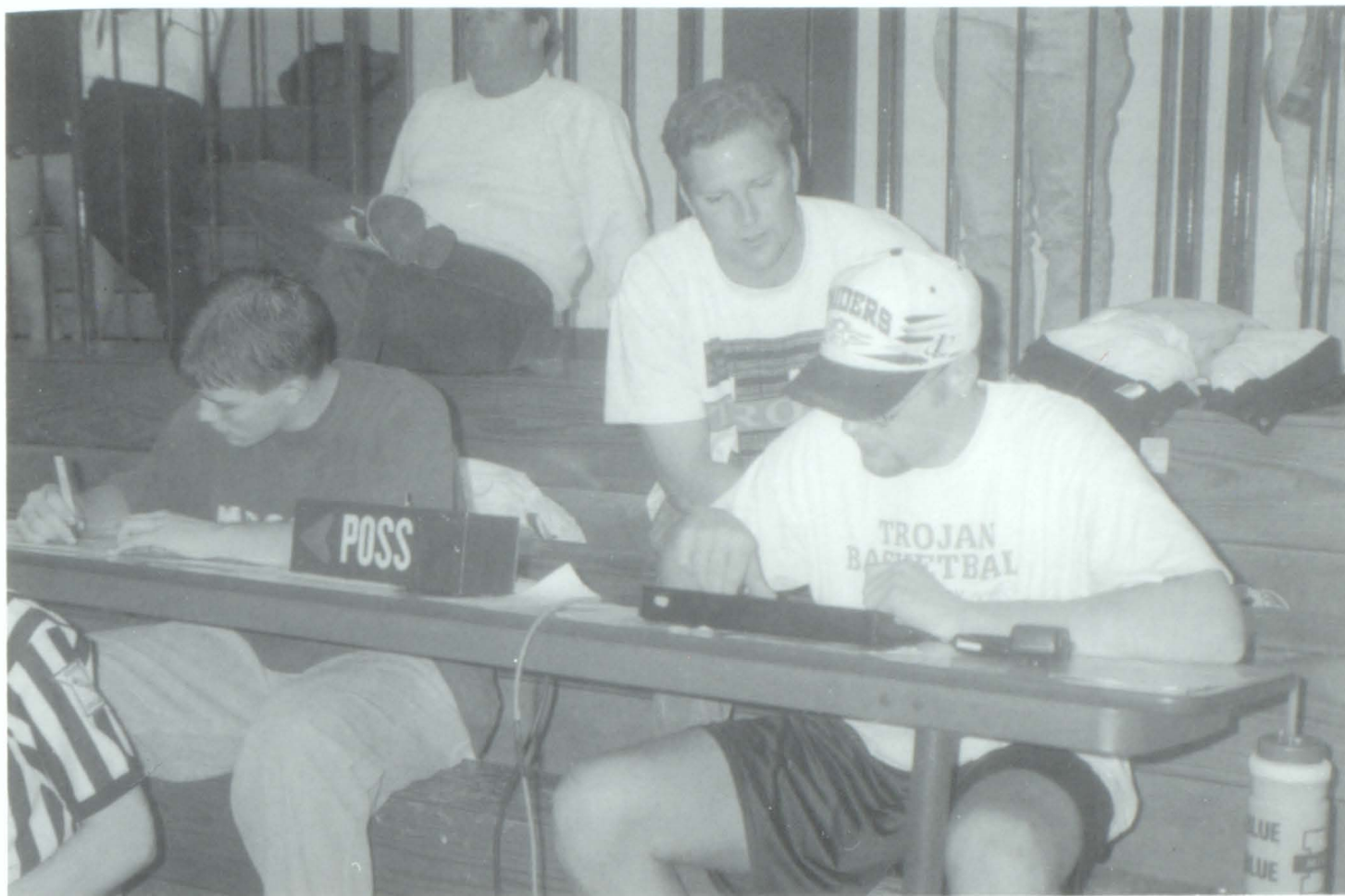
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The annual alumni basketball tournament brought in funds for the T-Club. Clinton McNemee volunteered his time to count the money that the T-Club made. Photo by Meredith Mason.

Brad Johnson and Adam Clary work hard at the alumni tournament concession stand. They were making sandwiches for people for lunch. Photo by Meredith Mason



Sam Reust and Jaylon Ashburn contribute their time at the alumni basketball tournament. They kept time and ran the score board with the T-Club co-sponsor, Kevin Kelley, keeping a close eye on them. Photo by Meredith Mason.



The officers of the T-Club were President Sarah Geiger, Vice-President Renee Scholz, Secretary Kelli Simmons, and Treasurer Sandi Nelson. Sponsors were Kevin Kelley and Martha-Jean Rockey. Photo by Bray.



Members of T-Club are: Front row; Heath Whetstine, Heath Campbell, Kelli Simmons, Renee Scholz, Sandi Nelson, Sarah Geiger, Noelle Oyler, Nancy Mitchell, Michael Grable, Kristina Heil; Row 2: Jill Wiedmer, Gabe Durr, Sam Reust, Larry Huff, Alissa Durbin, Clinton McNestee, Regina Huff, Lindsey Rosenberger, Kelly Dishon, Corey Klostman, Justin Engemann; Row 3: Brad Johnson, Melissa Campbell, Andy Bramlage, Nicole Kinsey, Sarah Boeh, Jared Cash, Chris Hoverson, Katherine Robinson, Christy Gibson, Jamie Wykert, Jenny Ford; Row 4: Kyle Thomas, Tyler Whetstine, Dallas Keller, Jaylon Ashburn, Tim Uplinger, Jeremy Prawl, Stephanie Cook, Betsy Schultz, Aaron Clary, Kirk Jamvold; Row 5: Brett Speaks, Kristin Kinsey, Ryan Grable, Marietta Wood, Nathan Reynolds, Katie Culp, Suzie Oyerly, Allisha Benitz, Megan Boeh, James Huss, Neal Eylar, and Andy Franken. Photo by Bray.

Dance team kicks into action

Cheerleaders are an essential part of high school sports. They are here to pep athletes up before the games, generate school spirit, and get the crowd involved at games and pep rallies. Part of their duties are to cheer, chant, jump, kick and build stunts. This year, though, the cheerleaders took on another duty. The squad danced their way into the 1996-97 school year as the all-new dance team, as well as cheer squad.

"I really like cheering and dancing. I think it was a good idea to have two separate squads. It seems like it was more work since we had two different teams, opposed to just one, but I really think it is worth it because we were able to do more," stated Marietta Wood.

In the past, there was only one squad. The cheerleaders were able to perform routines as the cheerleaders. This year separate try-outs were held for the dance team and the cheerleading squad. Eight girls were chosen for each squad. As luck would have it, the same eight girls that were chosen for the cheerleading squad were also chosen to be the dance team.

Betsy Schultz said, "It was different to have a separate dance team because in practice we spent a lot more time dancing and working on routines than we did in the past. It was a neat experience and I am glad we did something new."

Another addition to the teams was new uniforms. The squads got a new type of cheerleading uniform in addition to warm-up outfits and they got new sequined uniforms for the dance team.

"All in all," commented Stephanie Cook, "the changes that were made to the squad were very positive additions."

The cheerleaders perform a routine for a basketball pep rally. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



The dance team started the year at the Late Night pep rally. Performing a routine are Marietta Wood, Stephanie Cook, Allisha Benitz, Lindsey Rosenberger, Mellisa Campbell, Kelli Simmons, Sandi Nelson, and Betsy Schultz. Photo by Kelly Dishon.

The cheerleaders performed many routines for half time of the basketball games. They usually added a stunt to generate some excitement. They are Marrieta Wood, Kelli Simmons, Betsy Schultz, Allisha Benitz, Sandi Nelson, Stephanie Cook, and Melissa Campbell. Photo by Tim Uplinger.



“Dancing, as well as cheering, really added excitement to the squad.”
-Kelli Simmons

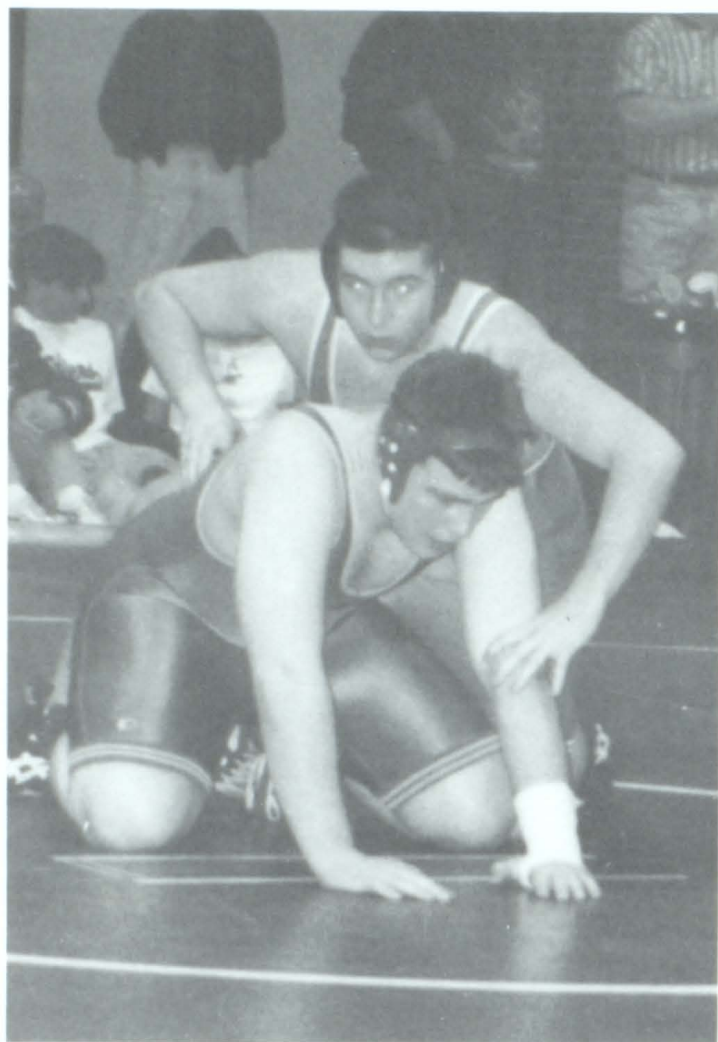
Mellisa Campbell, Allisha Benitz, Sandi Nelson, Stephanie Cook, and Marrieta Wood line up to cheer along the sidelines at a game. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



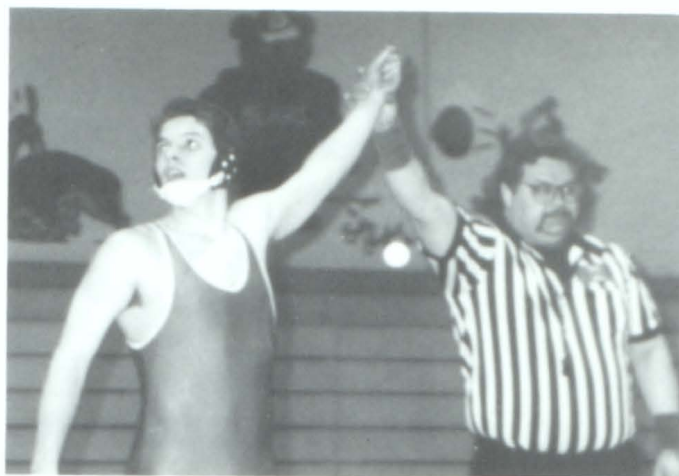
Sandi Nelson and Stephanie Cook cheer on the Trojan football team at a home game. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



In the starting position at the Immaculata Tournament is Nathan Reynolds. Photo by Tim Uplinger.



At Top: Tommy Jenkins raises his arm in triumph after a tough match. Photo by Tim Uplinger.



Bottom: Putting his opponent in the cradle is Tim Uplinger at the Immaculata Tournament. Photo by Linda Rice.



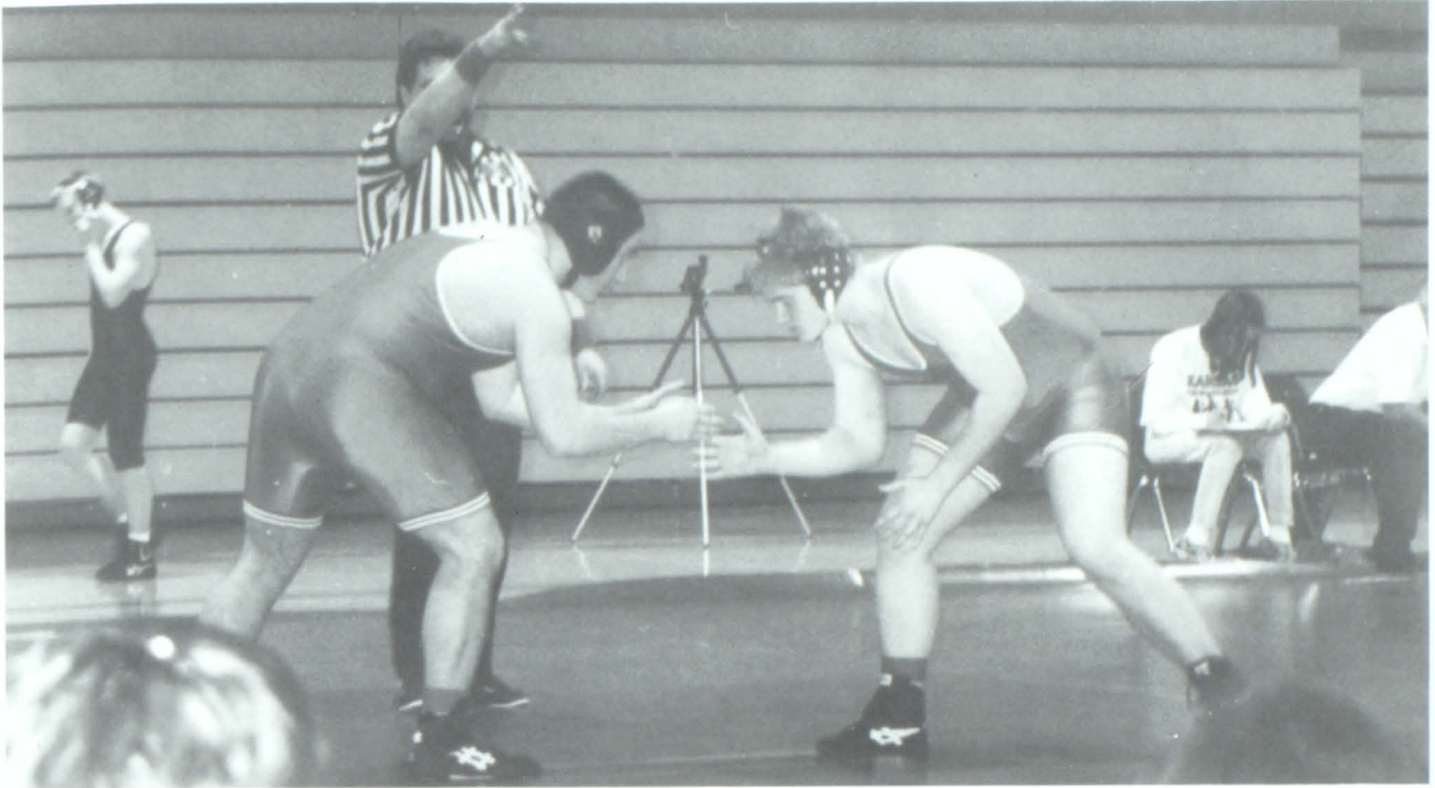
BASKETBALL SCORES

Name-Weight	Record
Jesse Cash, 103 lbs.	5-16
Roger Orcutt, 119 lbs.	1-9
Casey Rush, 130 lbs.	2-22
Jared Cash, 145 lbs.	4-8
Tim Uplinger, 152 lbs.	11-15
Tommy Jenkins, 160 lbs.	4-8
Jeremy Prawl, 189 lbs.	10-15
Nathan Reynolds, 215 lbs.	13-11
Matt McKittrick, 275 lbs.	4-9



Members of the team are, Front Row: Tommy Jenkins, Ben Anderson, Jared Cash, Casey Rush, Roger Orcutt, Nathan Reynolds. Back Row: Coach Benny Rice, Tim Uplinger, Matt McKittrick, Jeremy Prawl, Jesse Cash. Photo by VisualSports Network.

Teammates Nathan Reynolds and Ben Anderson square off at the league meet in Oskaloosa. Reynolds pinned Anderson to win the match. Photo by Tim Uplinger.



Wrestling improves in second year

In only its second year, wrestling became an important sport at Troy High School. Once again Troy consolidated with Wathena to form a strong, exciting team. This year's team had nine members, compared to last year's team of six. Second-year wrestlers were Jared Cash, Tim Uplinger, and Nathan Reynolds.

Jared Cash said, "This year in wrestling I think our team was much improved from last year's. We had more people, both from Troy and Wathena, and many talented, new wrestlers."

Newcomers to the team were Jesse Cash, Roger Orcutt, Casey Rush, Tommy Jenkins, Jeremy Prawl, and Matt McKittrick.

Jeremy Prawl said, "At first it was hard to learn all the moves, but by the end of the season I had mastered most of them. I was surprised to see all the wrestlers out from Troy and Wathena."

The Troy-Wathena team posted a 7-6 dual record on the season. A dual meet is one in which two teams wrestle

against each other as opposed to a tournament. The League Quad meet was the strongest for the Trojan wrestlers as Uplinger, Jenkins, Reynolds, and McKittrick all placed first in their respective weight classes. Prawl and Jesse Cash finished second, while Orcutt and Jared Cash finished third.

Tim Uplinger, co-captain, said, "I feel team-wise we improved dramatically from our first tournament to league and regionals. The most memorable moment would have to be on the last day when the upperclassmen 'hog-tied' all of the freshmen and piled them up."

Jesse Cash remembered, "The upperclassmen wouldn't let us go. Being hog-tied was the worst move I was put in all year."

The season came to an end for the Troy-Wathena team after no one advanced past the semifinals at the regional meet in Oskaloosa.

Coach Benny Rice said, "This entire season was fun and exciting. Our dual record improved from 2-9 last season to a 7-6 record this season. It is very rewarding to see my first-year wrestlers develop so much in one season."

Girls' basketball successful in the end

Problems. This is what the 1996-97 Lady Trojan Basketball Team experienced early on in the season. However, after coming off the Hiawatha Invitational Tournament with a record of 3-9, the ladies stepped it up. They finished the season over the .500 mark with a record of 11-10.

The ladies had high expectations and goals going into the season. With the losses early on in the season, the team had to make some changes to get back on the right track.

Troy got all the glitches figured out and ended up winning eight straight games coming off the disappointing showing in the tournament. These wins put the Trojans in good standings for both the DVL standings and placing in sub-state.

The season finished a little early for the Lady Trojans as the Blue Valley-Randolph Rams defeated them in

the first round of sub-state play, 36-52.

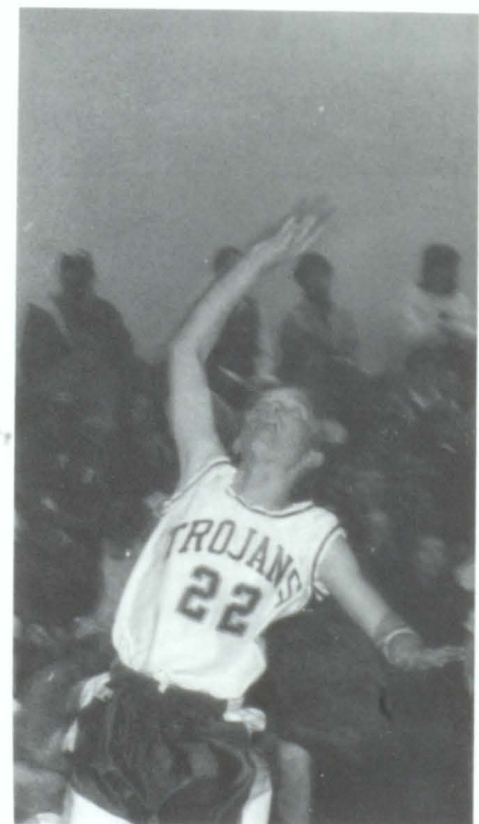
"Our season started February 4 with Elwood and ended March 3 with Blue Valley-Randolph. If success is measured by wins versus losses, in the end, we were great, winning eight out of our last nine games. Remember Pleasant Ridge: A team that won't be beat can't be beat," commented Coach Larry "Gator" Rivers on the overall season.

The girls' basketball team had two players receive all-league recognition. Alissa Durbin made first team, and Sarah Geiger made honorable mention. Durbin and Geiger also received recognition in the county as well. Durbin was named to the first team, and Geiger was named to the second team.

"I am very pleased that I made first team all-league. It is quite an accomplishment," commented Alissa Durbin.



The 1996-97 Troy Lady Trojan Basketball Team was Front Row: Janessa Stamper, Brandi Strong, Robin Rodgers, Sarah Boeh, Alissa Durbin, Nicole Kinsey, Allisha Benitz, Jamie Stewart, and Katie Culp. Row 2: Coach Larry Rivers, Crystal Trant, Kristin Kinsey, Christy Stahl, Lindsey Rosenberger, Megan Boeh, Melissa Campbell, and Asst. Coach Pat Casey. Row 3: Ginger Winder, Lysay Gibson, Sarah Geiger, Chris Hoverson, Laura Ford, Meredith Mason, and Suzie Oyerly. Not pictured are Regina Huff and Sandi Nelson. Picture by Visual Sports Network



Showing her ballerina-type skills on her layup, is Sarah Boeh. Photo by James Huss.

Laura Ford battles for a rebound against two Blue Valley-Randolph opponents in the first round of sub-state. Photo by Kelly Dishon.



Kristin Kinsey and Lindsey Rosenberger prepare to trap their opponent. Photo by James Huss.



Getting into position for the rebound against Horton are Lindsey Rosenberger and Sarah Geiger as Regina Huff looks on. Photo by James Huss.

BASKETBALL SCORES

Troy	Opponent
48	Wathena 53
38	Jackson Heights 56
34	Oskaloosa 40
45	Valley Falls 37
39	Highland 58
67	McLouth 47
50	Midway 30
41	Wathena 61
43	Jackson Heights 57
38	Holton 67
46	Atchison 63
48	Horton 49
49	Elwood 16
46	Horton 41
47	Midway 25
57	Oskaloosa 45
50	Jefferson County North 37
61	Highland 42
60	Valley Falls 45
48	Pleasant Ridge 39
36	Blue Valley-Randolph 52

Heath Whetstine shoots a free throw in the first round of the Raider Classic Tournament as Jaylon Ashburn and Dallas Keller fight for rebounding position. Troy went on to win the tournament. Photo by Nicole Kinsey



Exciting season ends abruptly

Although the season ended unexpectedly for the Trojan boys' basketball team, the season was successful. The varsity's final record was 21-2, as the junior varsity finished 7-9.

The Trojans were handed their first loss in the second round of the pre-season Delaware Valley League Tournament by the Horton Chargers. Troy won its next five games before entering the Raider Classic Tournament. In the second round of the tournament, Troy beat Marysville, which was ranked #2 in Class 4A at the time. Troy then beat a tough Nemaha Valley team on its home floor in the championship game.

Dallas Keller said, "Winning the Raider Classic was definitely a high point of the season. It proved that we could not only play with the bigger schools but beat them."

Troy won the next nine games as they went through the league undefeated. This marked the first time a Troy team had gone through the league undefeated since 1984. The Trojans finished the regular season with a bang as they

scored 100 points against Pleasant Ridge.

The Trojans went into the sub-state tournament with a 19-1 record which gave them the #1 ranking (#2 in class 2A). The Trojans breezed through the first two rounds as they beat the Blue-Valley Rams, then the JCN Chargers. Troy's season came to a crashing halt after losing to the Jackson Heights Cobras in the sub-state championship.

Corey Kostman said, "It was very disappointing. I thought we would make it to Manhattan this year."

Several Trojan players received post-season awards. Four Trojan players received All-League First Team honors. They were Heath Whetstine, Tyler Whetstine, Dallas Keller, and Andy Franken. Keller and Heath Whetstine were both All-County First-Team selections, and Tyler Whetstine and Franken made the Second Team. The Whetstine brothers were both All-State Honorable Mention selections.

Senior Heath Whetstine said, "Even though the season didn't end the way we wanted it to, we accomplished a lot together."

Members of the varsity team are Front Row: Manager Larissa Handley, Tyler Whetstine, Dallas Keller, Kirk Jamvold, Corey Kostman, Heath Campbell, Andy Franken. Row 2: Coach Derek Jasper, Heath Whetstine, Adam Clary, Jaylon Ashburn, Larry Huff, Sam Reust, and Coach Kevin Kelley. Photo by Visual Sports Network.



BASKETBALL SCORES

Opponent	Score
Wathena	60-34
Pleasant Ridge	71-47
Horton	83-88
Jefferson County North	67-57
Highland	66-49
McLouth	80-60
Jackson Heights	63-55
Midway	67-47
Wathena	69-64
Falls City	72-62
Marysville	86-70
Nemaha Valley	67-55
Elwood	92-37
Horton	85-62
Midway	83-52
Oskaloosa	75-67
Jefferson County North	67-56
Highland	88-63
Valley Falls	90-67
Pleasant Ridge	100-40
Blue Valley	92-66
Jefferson County North	74-52
Jackson Heights	61-67



Soaring for a layup is Justin Engemann in the Wathena j.v. game. Photo by James Huss.

At bottom: Members of the j.v. team are Front Row: Shelby Scholz, Brett Speaks, Turpin, Jared Shelton, Tyler Romas, Tad Blanton. Row 2: Dustin Ferris, Jimmy Horner, B.J. Christenson, Coach Derek Jasper, Aaron Franken, Justin Engemann, Michael Jenkins. Row 3: Bob Milbourne, Derek Luedke, Nathan Geiger, Ryan Grable, Micah Campbell, Morgan Hinds. Photo by Visual Sports Network.



Fading away for a jumpshot is Heath Whetstine in the sub-state championship against Jackson Heights. Photo by Nicole Kinsey.

Sam and Kelli Crowned at THS

A week of preparation became a night of excitement and dreams come true as the 1997 Queen of Courts King and Queen were crowned, February 14, in front of a crowd that came to see the crowning as well as the boys' and girls' basketball teams.

The girls had already won their game and the boys were doing much of the same as they were leading against the Oskaloosa Bears by a fair margin of 14 points. The six seniors, Heath Campbell, Sam Reust, Larry Huff, Kelli Simmons, Regina Huff, and Alissa Durbin, were anxiously waiting to walk onto the basketball court and see who would win the title of King and Queen of Troy High School.

And the King and Queen of Troy High School are Sam Reust and Kelli Simmons. The crown bearers were Colin Greaser and Keiffer Whetstine. The flower girls were Chelsea Dively and Bree Martinez.

King Sam Reust said, "I didn't expect to win so I was very surprised. It's a good thing Kelli knew what to do because

I didn't have a clue. It was an honor to be chosen. I am the KING!"

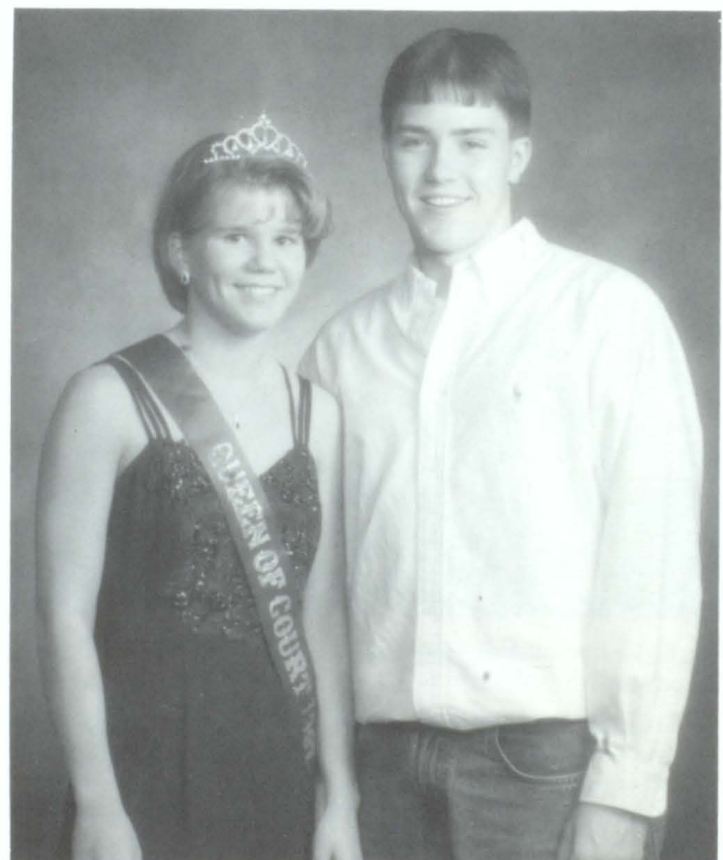
During the week, students dressed for special days chosen by the cheerleaders. Monday was set for Military Day and Tuesday was Opposite Day. Wednesday was used for people who like their figures for Beach Day. Baggy Clothes and Wacky Hat Day was the subject for Thursday. Friday was a traditional day for the Trojans as the day was Blue-and-White-Day.

Queen Kelli Simmons said, "I was so excited and nervous at the same time. Sam kept asking me what to do next so I was glad to know that he was just as nervous as I was. I will always remember this Valentine's Day."

The student council hosted the Queen of Courts Dance in the old gymnasium following the conclusion of the varsity boys' basketball game. The D.J. for the dance was Doug Keller. The gym was decorated for Valentine's Day in festive red, white, and pink colors.

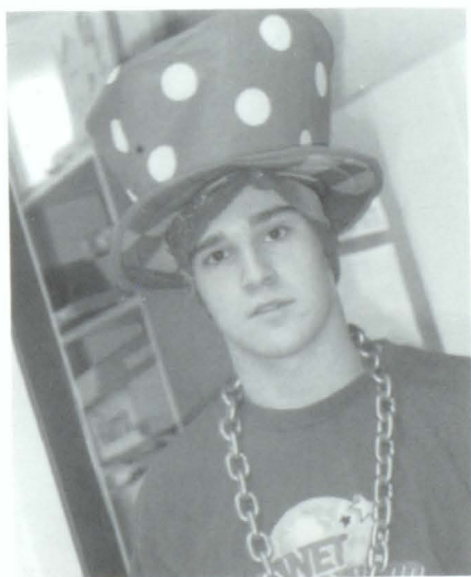


King Sam Reust crowns the Queen Kelli Simmons. Photo by Tim Uplinger.



Queen Kelli Simmons and King Sam Reust smile proudly about their crowning. Photo by Bray.

Alissa Durbin, Heath Campbell, Kelli Simmons, Sam Reust, Regina Huff, Larry Huff, Keiffer Whetstine, Chelson Dively, Brec Martinez, all pose for their pictures after the crowning. Photo by Tim Uplinger.



Tim Uplinger dresses up while wearing his wacky hat. Photo by Regina Huff.



Anxiously awaiting the results are the 1997 Queen of Courts candidates. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Track keyed by inexperience

The Trojan Track team was made up of many young and talented athletes but due to inexperience the team didn't perform up to its expectations.

The season started with a trip to Wathena to compete in the Panther Relays. This was a good meet to start at because it has great competition.

Adam Clary, junior, said, "This was quite a disappointment for me in the discus. The only bright spot in my season was when the weightman's relay team went undefeated for the second straight season."

As a team, the boys never lost a triangular and the girls competed well in every triangular. In all the big meets, both did their best but because of the numbers and lack of experience, the teams didn't finish high in the standings.

Larry Huff, senior, said, "We sort of had a rough start but I think we all improved a lot towards the end of the year."

Nicole Kinsey, Sarah Boeh, and Melissa Campbell were the lone members of the team to break records. Nicole broke her own record of 111' in the javelin with a throw of 115'8". Sarah broke Renee Scholz's triple jump record of 30'1 1/2" by jumping 31'3 1/2". Melissa broke the 110m high hurdles record which was 16.78 held by Leola Miller, running a time of 16.49.

Junior Jaylon Ashburn said, "I didn't like the shot put this year but I did like running the 400m run.



It was also a lot of fun and gave me something to do."

The regional meet was at Onaga. Three tracksters qualified for State. Megan Boeh placed third in the 3200m run. Clinton McNemee placed fourth in the discus, and Melissa Campbell placed fourth in the 110m high hurdles.

"This track season has been a great success for me and for the team as a whole. The team's strongest point was our throwers and our undefeated weightman's relay team. The many freshmen added to the size of the team. It has been fun," said junior Melissa Campbell.

At State, all of the competitors competed well. Megan Boeh finished 13th in the 3200m run. Clinton McNemee finished 11th in the discus. Melissa Campbell finished 8th in the 110m high hurdles.



Left: Nicole Kinsey throws the javelin at regionals. Earlier in the year she set the record in the javelin by throwing 115'8". Photo by Larry Huff.

Above: The track members are, Front row: Sarah Boeh, Heath Campbell, Sam Reust, Dallas Keller, Jaylon Ashburn, Kirk Jamvold, Brett Speaks, and Micah Campbell. Row 2: Jared Cash, Aaron Clary, Larry Huff, Regina Huff, Nicole Kinsey, Suzie Oyerly, Mgr. Larissa Handley, and Brandi Strong. Row 3: B.J. Christenson, Melissa Campbell, Betsy Schultz, Stephanie Cook, Lacey Whittaker, Marietta Wood, Gillian Guier, Mgr. Amy King, and Megan Boeh. Row 4: Tad Blanton, Melissa Albers, Tommy Jenkins, Ryan Grable, Jesse Cash, Nathan Reynolds, Michael Jenkins, Adam Clary, and Allisha Benitz. Row 5: Coaches Derek Jasper, Don Cash, Lyle Rockey. Not pictured are Heath Whetstine, Clinton McNemee, Jamie Stewart, Ross Turpin, Tyler Thomas, and Mgr. Regan Miner. Photo by Chris Hoverson.

Adam Clary warms up at the McLouth Relays as Coach Derek Jasper watches. Adam tied with three other competitors clearing 5'10" but got fourth because of number of misses. He cleared a best jump of 6'2" at many other meets. Photo by Regina Huff.



Clinton McNemee throws his way to state as he throws 136' in the discus. He returned to state for the second time. Photo by Larry Huff.



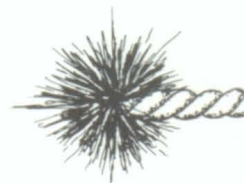
Megan Boeh finishes third in the 3200m run at regionals to qualify for state. Photo by Larry Huff.



Christine Whetstine gets started on fixing Angie Bramlage's hair before the fall play, *The Man Who Came to Dinner*. Photo by James Huss.



Roger Orcutt concentrates on his drawing for Mrs. Nancy Clisbee's Art II class. Orcutt is using chalk to design a landscape. Photo by Nancy Mitchell



Fine Arts provide entertainment

Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to find out about the actors, artists, musicians, and performers at THS. You need to find what they did, what they performed, or how they competed. Each of these groups gave performances or exhibitions to show off the hard work and dedication that the students and directors of THS put into their activity.

Mrs. Nancy Clisbee's art classes were busy this year working with pottery and paints, and taking trips to museums or going to art competitions.

"I enjoy art competitions because the people

Aaron Clary's frantic drumming brought a lot of life to the Trojan Pep Band. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Abra Eylar cuts out a picture for a spray painting assignment. Spray paint can be fun but it's always messy. Photo by Sarah Boeh.

there have very interesting ways of expressing themselves, both psychotic and peaceful," said Aaron Clary

Mr. Darren Jenkins pulled double duty as both band and chorus director. Both groups gave two concerts this year and also went to competitions. Students could also work on solos and try to perfect them in hopes of making it to the State competition.

Regina Huff stated, "Last year when I went to State, I was very excited and I was just honored to be going. I was ecstatic when I found out I received a I rating. This year, when I got the chance to go back to State, I was a bit more prepared, but I was still just as happy when I got a I."

Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey's drama department went to many speech meets as well as putting on two plays. They did something a bit different with the spring play. The group did a musical, something not done at THS in many years.



Clinton McNemee quickly fixes the wheelchair used in *The Man Who Came to Dinner*. A prop man's job is never done. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Creativity gains rewards

Art at Troy High was not just a class where you sat and drew. The students took field trips and participated in many activities and contests.

The field trips provided the students the chance to see different styles of art work and artists. In February, the students toured the Nelson-Adkins Museum of Art in Kansas City when they saw Rembrandt's painting of St. Peter, which is worth \$165 million. They also visited the Thomas Hart Benton Home.

Throughout the year the students participated in Highland Art Day and Delaware Valley League contests. At Highland, the art history team placed first out of 43 schools. The team consisted of captain Adam Clary, Melissa Campbell, Jamie Christenson, and Aaron Clary. This was the first time in school history that an art history team finished first in this contest.

"Our art history team worked very hard on getting first place. Out of 43 school, 1A-6A, getting first was a great achievement for us," stated Adam Clary.

Also placing at Highland was the sidewalk chalk team. The team had to use colored chalk and recreate a famous artwork. The team recreated one of Picasso's guitarist drawings. They placed third overall. Members of this team were captain

Brad Johnson, Lindsey Rosenberger, Neal Eylar, and Kristin Kinsey.

At Highland, the students entered various pieces of their own art work. The art was judged and given awards if it were among the elite.

"There were so many good pieces of art work, I was surprised that I received any recognition!" exclaimed Clinton McNemea.

The students also participated in the Design-An-Ad sponsored by *The St. Joseph News-Press*. Kyle McConnaughey won first place, receiving a \$100 savings bond. Winning second place was Melissa Campbell, receiving a \$75 savings bond. The students drew advertisements for ACE Hardware. Their drawings were published in *The St. Joseph News Press* during Newspapers in Education Week.

"The year was frustrating, but it all paid off because I have won several awards," stated Melissa Campbell.

The internet was also something new to the art students, when they had the opportunity to place their artwork on Kansas Art On-line. They gained this opportunity through Emporia State University.

Other activities such as using the pottery wheel and making ceramics, sketches and collages, provided opportunities for all the students. Many of the students helped decorate the Homecoming and Queen of Courts backdrops.

"We had an excellent year in art due to large classes of creative, hard-working students," praised art teacher Nancy Clisbee.



Kyle McConnaughey and Melissa Campbell show off the first- and second-place advertisements they drew in the Design-An-Ad sponsored by *The News Press*. Photo by Mrs. Nancy Clisbee.

Jeramie Renocuts out a template for a spray paint project. This was one of the many projects the art students were required to do. Jeramie was a student in the Art 1 class. Photo by Sarah Boeh.



Nathan Reynolds and Cory Clary work on finishing their pottery projects. Since the art department purchased two pottery wheels last year, pottery has become a favorite activity for some of the art students. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Above: Most people think of drawing when they think of art. Neal Eylar and Brad Johnson try to finish a drawing project in time. Photo by Nancy Mitchell

Left: Abra Eylar thinks about where to place her cut-outs so she can spray paint them. Spray paint is an annual art project but it is also "stinks up" the lower hall. Photo by Sarah Boeh.

Music students stay active

Music students participated in a variety of events including pep band, marching band, concerts, contest, and community performances.

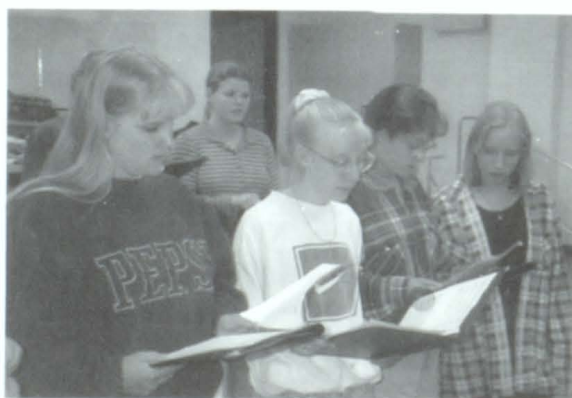
The band and chorus were under the direction of Mr. Darren Jenkins for the third year.

Band students started off with marching band and pep band for the football season. Throughout the football season the band performed many halftime shows. They also played during the games, which not only involved students in band but also other students out of the school along with many of the faculty members.

Pep band continued into basketball season.

The band also performed at the Christmas concert and the spring concert. In late February the band and chorus traveled to Highland Community College where they competed in the DVL music festival; both groups received III's.

Band members are, Front Row: Aaron Clary, and Michael Jenkins. Row 2: Ginger Winder, Regina Adams, Lynsay Gibson, Angie Neumann, Jenny Ford, Crystal Trant, and Regan Miner. Row 3: Christy Gibson, Ryan Grable, Betsy Schultz, Suzie Oyerly, Regina Huff, B.J. Christenson, Larry Huff, Charles Boeh, Clinton McNemee, Sam Reust, Jared Pickerell, Dallas Walters and Katie Culp. Row 4: Darren Jenkins, Director. Photo by Bray.



Chorus members practicing for the Baccalaureate are, Front Row: Larissa Handley, Linda Feek, Amy King, and Melissa McNeely. Row 2: Taryn Schmidt. Photo by James Huss.

In April, the band and chorus were once again on the road, this time headed for Marysville, Kansas, where they competed in the state music festival. Both groups received a III rating.

In late April, Larry Huff, Regina Huff, Ginger Winder and Jared Pickerell traveled to Concordia, to perform their instrumental solos. Larry, Regina and Ginger all received I ratings and Jared Pickerell received a II rating.

Freshman Ginger Winder said, "I was really glad to get the opportunity to go to state music, and it wasn't as hard to memorize my music as I thought it would be. Overall, I'd say it was a good experience, and it was also fun."

The chorus ended the year with singing at the spring concert and at the Baccalaureate service. The band ended their year by playing at the spring concert and at graduation.

Director Darren Jenkins commented, "I feel that we've had another very successful year. Working with the students here at Troy for the past three years has been fun, challenging, and rewarding. I hope that they continue to be successful in everything they do."



Chorus members are, Front Row: Noelle Oyerly, Melissa McNeely, and Linda Feek. Row 2: Suzie Oyerly, Jamie Christenson, Larissa Handley, Amy King, and Kristina Heil. Row 3: Director Darren Jenkins, Kristy Clary, Errica Stanton, Heath Campbell, Angie Neumann, and James Huss. Photo by Bray.

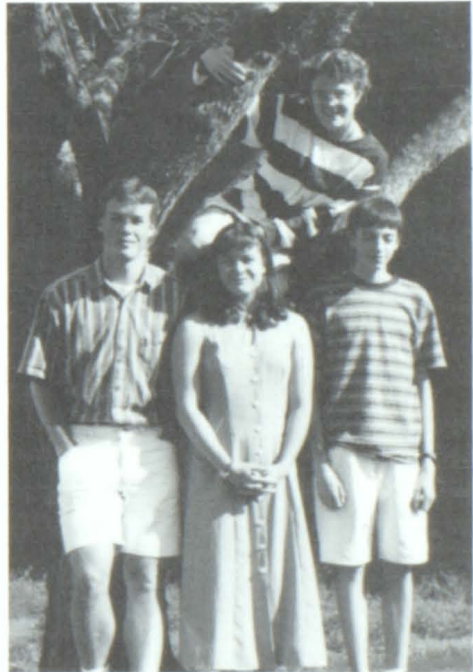
Singing "On a Night of Wonder" during the Christmas concert are, Front Row: Linda Feek, Amy King, Robin Rodgers, Suzie Oyerly, and Kristina Heil. Row 2: Kristy Clary, Jamie Christenson, Taryn Schmidt, Errica Stanton, Angie Neumann, Larissa Handley, and Noelle Oyerly. Row 3: Heath Campbell, and James Huss. Photo by Regina Huff.



Ginger Winder warms up before the band performs at the spring concert. Photo by James Huss



Playing in the pep band during a football game are, Front Row: Katie Culp, Jenny Ford, Sarah Boeh, Steve Thompson, and Dave Nuzum. Row 2: Ginger Winder, Crystal Trant, Dallas Walters, and Jared Pickerell, Row 3: Cory Ruhnke, Michael Jenkins, Aaron Clary, and Jerry Huff. Photo by James Huss.



State qualifiers were, Front Row: Larry Huff, Regina Huff, Jared Pickerell. Row 2: Ginger Winder. Photo by Lyle Rockey.

Speech members keep busy

Competitions kept the Troy Forensics Team very busy throughout the last semester of school. Speech ranges from individual solos to duet acting to the one-act play. The team had 10 entries qualify for state competition along with the one-act play. The entries included orations, extemporaneous speaking, informative, prose, humorous and serious solos, Improvised Duet Acting (I.D.A.), and poetry. This was twenty of the twenty-five members of the team. To qualify, a student must receive a I rating at league or regionals.

The speech team attended many meets, never placing below third place overall. They reigned as DVL champions and received 19 gold medals at state.

"Even though we had to get up early in the mornings, we had a successful season and had a lot of fun," stated James Huss, junior.

The One-Act play worked very hard in preparing for their performance at DVL. The One-Act cast received a I rating which qualified them for state where they received a I rating. The cast also took their performance to area extension groups. The play entitled "Us and Them" was a huge success.



Jared Cash and Aaron Clary fight on the ground for their IDA skit they performed for the fine arts night. Photo by Ferryl Cash.

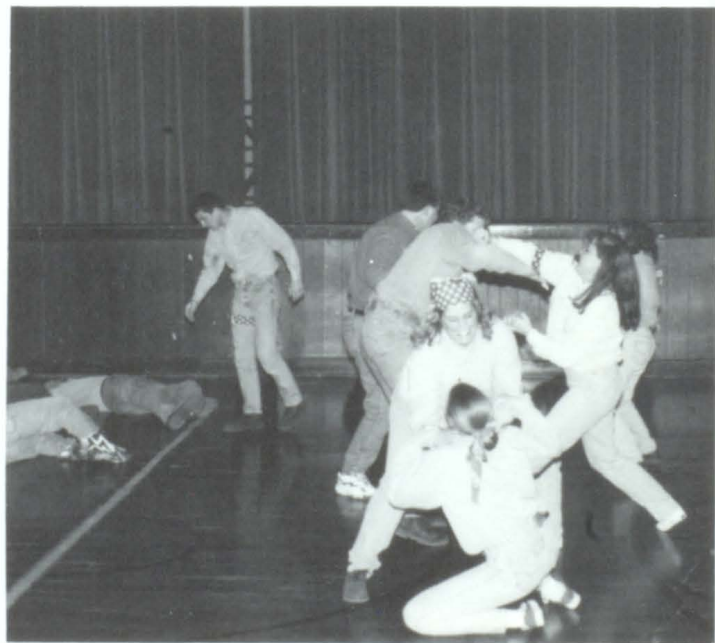
Each year the Troy team hosts the Troy Invitational speech meet, but due to uncooperative weather, it was cancelled.

Members of the speech team that qualified for state competition as well as the One Act play cast participated at the Fine Arts Night at Troy High School. The Fine Arts Night is an opportunity for the members of the team along with music soloists and art competitors to show off their talent to the community.

The team competed at regional competition at Turner High School. Most members had already qualified for state, so there were few that attended regionals.

The team traveled to Johnson County Community College to participate in the state contest. The students who received I ratings were Angie Bramlage with an Oration, Allisha Benitz also with an Oration, Sandi Nelson with a Poetry piece, the one-act play, Christine Whetstine with an Informative Speech, Andy Bramlage also with an Informative Speech, and Regina Huff with a Prose Reading. The students who received a II were Angie Bramlage with H.S.A., Jared Cash and Aaron Clary with an I.D.A. performance. B.J. Christenson and Ross Turpin with an I.D.A. performance, and also Laura Ford and Betsy Schultz with an I.D.A. performance.

"This year was my first year helping with the one-act as a director. The practices were nerve-racking; however, it was worth it. Watching them perform and receive a I at state was the pay off," commented Chris Hoverson, student director.



Fighting over a problem they created in their scared minds are the two groups from the one-act. Photo by Ferryl Cash.

The Troy speech team had a lot of old and new members. The Troy speech members are, Front Row: Melissa Campbell, Sam Reust, Sarah Boeh, Sandi Nelson, Gillian Guier, and Mrs. Martha Rockey. Row 2: Larry Huff, Aaron Clary, James Huss, Micah Campbell, and Andy Bramlage. Row 3: Christine Whetstine, Angie Bramlage, Chris Hoverson, Megan Boeh, Regina Huff, Betsy Schultz, and Laura Ford. Row 4: B.J. Christenson, Ross Turpin, Jared Cash, Allisha Benitz, Suzie Oyerly, and Jesse Cash. Photo by Lyle M. Rockey.



The one-act earned a 1 rating at every contest it attended including the state festival. The one-act members are, Front Row: Laura Ford, Micah Campbell, Andy Bramlage, Melissa Campbell, Sandi Nelson, Aaron Clary, Sarah Boeh, Gillian Guier, and Chris Hoverson. Row 2: Betsy Schultz, James Huss, Regina Huff, Jared Cash, Megan Boeh, Suzie Oyerly, and Ross Turpin. Photo by Lyle M. Rockey.



State competitors for the speech team are, Front Row: Sandi Nelson. Row 2: Coach Martha Rockey, Aaron Clary, Micah Campbell, Ross Turpin, B.J. Christenson, Gillian Guier, Melissa Campbell, Jared Cash, Megan Boeh, Allisha Benitz, Sarah Boeh, Chris Hoverson, James Huss, Christine Whetstine, Angie Bramlage, and Betsy Schultz. Row 3: Andy Bramlage, Suzie Oyerly, Regina Huff, Laura Ford. Photo by Lyle M. Rockey.

Drama students get involved

Viewing plays and doing their own were many of the activities that the drama club was involved in. One of the many highlights was the trip to Crown Center. The group watched *Return to the Forbidden Planet*, a play that employs hit tunes from the 50's and 60's with a twist of Shakespeare.

The Renaissance Festival was a blast from the past. There were many different shows and activities to enjoy. The group went down early one Saturday morning and stayed the whole day. Medieval carnival-type games were available to play and the jail was open to throw someone in the cell. There were traveling actors that sang and acted within the park and moved from one area to another. The food of the Renaissance was also unique and consisted of huge corn on the cobb and monstrous turkey legs that you could feed on forever.

Troy hosted the league speech meet. The drama club made it a success. Many members prepared lunch and did odd jobs such as running and working in the tab room. They did anything they could to make sure the day went smoothly.

The group also took two trips to Martin City Melodrama. The first trip was to see the play, *The Invisible Man or No Guts No Glory*, and the second trip was to see *Ritz Cracker Suite*. Both plays were dinner theaters with buffets which featured fried chicken, roast beef, and salad.

Christine Whetstine said, "I enjoyed the trip to the Martin City Melodrama. It was different than most of the plays I have seen."

Many of the members were very active with the two plays the Troy Drama Club put on. The plays were *The Man Who Came to Dinner*, and *Tied to the Tracks*. *The Man Who Came to Dinner* was the fall play which many of the athletes juggled with their sports. Both plays were comedies and needed many

Mrs. Rockey, James Huss, and Sarah Boeh are steadily working on the spring dinner theater. Much hard work made the play a success. Photo by Meredith Mason.



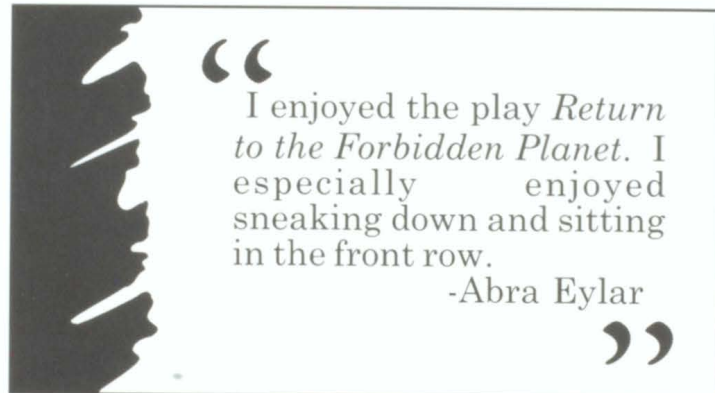
students to participate in acting and other needed tasks, stage crew, student directors, and make-up artists to name a few.

Tied to the Tracks was the dinner theater. The members were busy bringing food and preparing for the potato bar.

"Even though our practices were long and hard, I feel that each one of our productions were a success. Our plays will always be successful when we have a crew that will push us to be the best and do the best that we can," commented Aaron Clary.

Tied to the Tracks involved a damsel in distress, Sarah Geiger, and a love-sick sheriff, Larry Huff. In both plays there were many chores to be done, anything from the making of the backdrop, picking out the costumes, keeping everyone in order, sound equipment, cue people, and putting make-up on the actors and actresses. Many valuable people did these chores and were just as important as the actors, and the plays could not have gone on without them.

Amy King, one of the many make-up artists, said, "I thought it was fun to be involved with the play without actually getting on stage. But maybe in the years to come I'll be in the play."



I enjoyed the play *Return to the Forbidden Planet*. I especially enjoyed sneaking down and sitting in the front row.

-Abra Eylar

Aaron Clary stands in back of Mrs. Rockey waiting to pull her hair down. Many students could not wait for this event. She has been known to let her hair down the night before the spring play. Photo by James Huss.



The Renaissance Festival was fun for everyone who went. Crystal Trant and Melissa Albers had a blast playing pillow fight on the log. Photo by Regina Huff.



Officers of the Drama Club are as follows: Kelly Dishon, president; Regina Huff, vice-president; Sandi Nelson, secretary; Sarah Boeh, treasurer; Sarah Geiger, historian. Photo by Bray



Drama Club members are as follows: Front row: Heath Campbell, Kelly Dishon, Regina Huff, Sandi Nelson, Sarah Boeh, Sarah Geiger, Sam Reust; Row 2: Kristina Heil, Nancy Mitchell, Renee Scholz, Noelle Oyler, Kelli Simmons, Lindsey Rosenberger, Alissa Durbin, Larry Huff, Clint McNemee, Michael Grable; Row 3: Jared Cash, Aaron Clary, Andy Bramlage, Meredith Mason, Nicole Kinsey, Chris Hoverson, Melissa Campbell, James Huss, Mrs. Martha Rockey; Row 4: Kristin Kinsey, Allisha Benitz, Megan Boeh, Errica Stanton, Jamie Wykert, Christy Gibson, Jessica Stanton, Christy Stewart, Casey Rush; Row 5: Brandi Strong, Melissa Albers, Crystal Trant, Stephanie Cook, Marietta Wood, Brett Speaks, Laura Ford, Suzie Oyerly, Katie Culp; Row 6: Jesse Cash, B.J. Christenson, Micah Campbell, Tyler Thomas, Gillian Guier, Angie Bramlage, Christine Whetstine, Melissa McNeely, Amber Clary; Row 7: Ginger Winder, Abra Eylar, Erin Murphy, Regina Adams, Lynsay Gibson, Jamie Stewart, Ross Turpin, Morgan Hinds, Shelby Scholz. Photo by Bray.



Working hard and having fun while you do it is what the cast experienced. Kneeling: K. Culp, R. Adams, L. Gibson, S. Cook, J. Cash, C. Trant, B. Strong, C. Whetstone, M. McNeely, J. Stamper. Standing, Front Row: A. Bramlage, A. Clary, R. Huff, B. Speaks, S. Boeh, L. Rosenberger, R. Scholz, S. Geiger. Row 2: C. Peden, J. Cash, S. Oyerly, M. Campbell, B. Christenson, K. Dishon, L. Huff, C. Rush. Row 3: M. Boeh, M. Campbell, A. Clary. Row 4: C. Gibson, G. Guier, R. Turpin. Row 5: M. Mason, A. Bramlage. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Andy Bramlage and Meredith Mason confront Jared Cash about his ungracious attitude and meddling. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



“I have a blast acting, but in this play it’s fun watching other people act crazy.”
 -Sarah Boeh”



The entire family finally gets to meet Mr. Whiteside. Kelly Dishon, Regina Huff, Jared Cash, Clint Peden, Sarah Boeh, Brett Speaks, Meredith Mason, Andy Bramlage, Gillian Guier, Mellisa Campbell, and Christy Gibson all make their introductions. Photo By Nancy Mitchell.

Disaster strikes in fall play

Act I, Scene I began on an early December morning. The curtain rose to reveal a family anxious to greet Sheridan Whiteside, played by Jared Cash.

The Man Who Came to Dinner was chosen for the all-school play. It was presented to the middle school, Thursday, November 21, to the high school Friday afternoon, and to the public Friday evening.

The play was about Mr. Sheridan Whiteside, a famous radio personality, who had come to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stanley for dinner. Disaster struck; Sheridan broke his leg, and it started many complications in the home of the Stanleys.

"The play was really interesting; every character had something major going on. I had a lot of fun because I was the butler and I was right in the middle of everything," commented Brett Speaks.

One main event occurred when Maggie Cutler, Kelly Dishon, fell in love with the newspaper reporter Bert Jefferson, Larry Huff. Sheridan brought in Lorraine Sheldon, Sarah Geiger, who tried to break up a perfect love affair. Maggie also had friends in high places, though. She brought in Beverly Carlton, Renee Scholz, to run Lorraine out of town. When that failed, Banjo, played by Aaron Clary, stepped in to

end the whole fiasco.

"I was part of the unexpected twist at the end of the play. That was really exciting and I liked the coffin scene," exclaimed Aaron Clary.

While Sheridan was in the Stanley home, he couldn't help but interfere in their lives also. He gave some bad advice to the Stanley children. Richard, played by Ross Turpin, ran away to become a photographer and June, played by Gillian Guier, ran off and tried to elope, which added to the chaos.

"I think everyone had a lot of fun with this play because it was really funny and everyone was able to get into their parts. I know I had a lot of fun playing Miss Preen, the under-appreciated nurse," said Regina Huff.

Sarah Boeh and Jared Pickerell are getting into the Christmas spirit as they decorate the tree for the set. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Regina Huff, Brett Speaks, and Meredith Mason rush to please Mr. Whiteside. Doing so is a fulltime job. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



It's hard to find time to learn lines. Kelly Dishon crams before a practice. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Tim Uplinger plays an important part with sound effects. Picture by Nancy Mitchell.

Dakota gets *Tied to the Tracks*

"Oh, no! It's the Night Express," exclaimed Dakota Melody, Sarah Geiger, after being *Tied to the Tracks*.

Tied to the Tracks, a musical melodrama by Tim Kelly, was the spring play production by the drama department. This was the first year in many that the drama department performed a true musical.

Suzie Oyerly stated, "I like doing musicals. They are a lot of fun. The singing really adds to my enjoyment since it is one of my favorite pastimes! I hope that we can continue to do these kinds of plays in the future."

The play centered around Dakota Melody, Sarah Geiger, who runs a hotel in Dakota Territory. When a Medicine Show comes to town, she is sought after by the villainous Silius Scavenger, Jared Cash, who seeks to lure her away from her true love, Sheriff Billy Bold, Larry Huff. He, in turn, is torn between Melody and the bandit queen, Renee Scholz, his love from second grade. Junior, Sarah Boeh accompanied for the play.

Sarah Geiger stated, "This was the most exciting play at THS that I had the chance to be a part of. Despite all the long practices, the outstanding performance of everyone on

production night was worth it!"

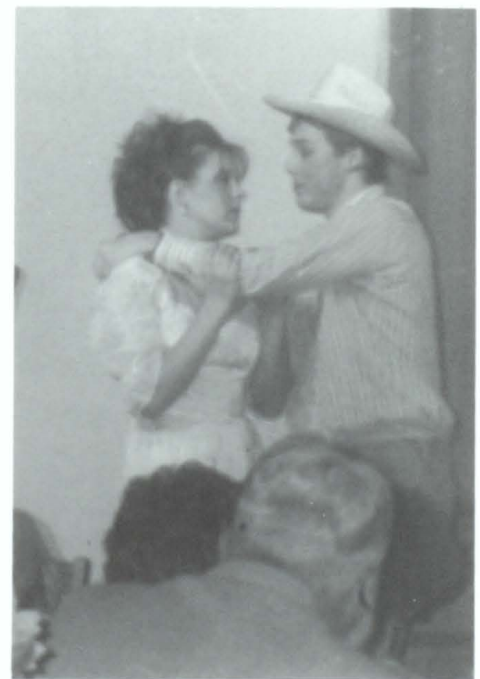
The play followed a dinner that was served by members of the drama department. The farm boys and girls and the Harvey girls helped serve the dinner; a potato bar, along with a salad, and dessert bar were served. This year the play had record turn-outs. The dinner was coordinated by James Huss.

"This play was a lot of fun to do and to watch. I think I enjoyed the performances as much as the rest of the audience, and our songs were a success," commented Martha-Jean Rockey, director.

Singing her heart out to her love, Sheriff Billy Bold, is Wild Prairie Rose, Renee Scholz, while Dakota Melody, Sarah Geiger, looks on in disgust. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



The cast of the spring play are Row 1: Aaron Clary, B.J. Christenson, Jesse Cash, Lynsay Gibson, Abra Eylar, and Regina Adams. Row 2: Angie Bramlage, Ross Turpin, Ryan Grable, Micah Campbell, Shelby Scholz, Melissa Campbell, Sarah Boeh, and Alisha Benitz. Row 3: Gillian Guier, Megan Boeh, Christine Whetstine, Betsy Schultz, Suzie Oyerly, Renee Scholz, Larry Huff, Sarah Geiger, Jared Cash, Brandi Strong, Regina Huff, Katie Culp, and Melissa McNeely. Row 4: Clint Peden, Andy Bramlage, Sandi Nelson, and Janessa Stamper. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



"We're made for each other," sings Sheriff Billy Bold, Larry Huff, to his one true love, Dakota Melody, Sarah Geiger, after being arrested. Photo By Tim Uplinger.

Being tied to the tracks is Dakota Melody, Sarah Geiger, by Silias Scavenger, Jared Cash and Running Water, Clint Peden. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



The crew for the play are Row 1: Laura Ford, Nicole Kinsey, Chris Hoverson, James Huss, Michael Grable, Tim Uplinger and Kristina Heil. Row 2: Amy King, Larrissa Handley, Linda Feek, Christy Stewart, Kyle McConaughy, Michael Jenkins, Jamie Stewart, Robin Akers, and Tyler Thomas. Row 3: Jamie Wykert, Kristin Kinsey, Shane Akers, Crystal Trant, Brett Speaks, and Jared Pickerell. Row 4: Clinton McNemee and Sam Reust. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



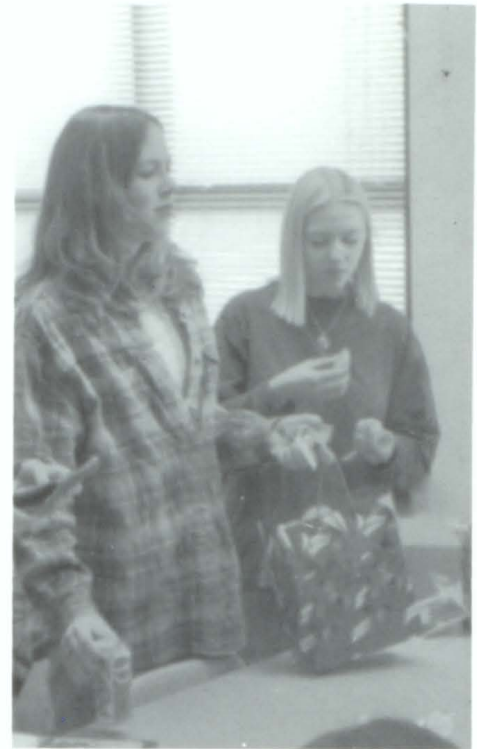
Being deputized by Rufus Clang, Andy Bramalage, are Ryan Grable, Micah Campbell, and Ross Turpin. Photo By Nancy Mitchell.



"Knock'm down again, Sheriff Billy," sings the chorus as Sheriff Billy Bold, Larry Huff, pins villain, Silas Scavenger, Jared Cash, to the ground during his final free hours before going to jail. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



The Kayette gift exchange is an annual event. Besty Schultz and April Hiemer get ready to open the gifts they received from their secret person. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Heath Campbell and Kristin Kinsey serve Thanksgiving dinner to Mrs. Anna Goss and the rest of the teachers' table. Student council hosts a Thanksgiving dinner every year. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Activities are various, abundant

Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to find out about the activities of the students at THS. Find out about the clubs they joined and the events they attended and set up. You must also find out about the major activities that took place, such as prom, senior trip, and graduation. This should not be too hard to accomplish since word travels fast here at THS.

There are many clubs to join. There are ones anyone can join like drama club, FFA, pep

club, and Kayettes (if you are female), and then there are the ones you must work for or be elected to like GCTL, National Honor Society, Quill and Scroll, and T-Club. With this many clubs, it isn't hard to find something to join or belong to if you are interested.

Allisha Benitz, Kayette member, said, "I love being in Kayettes because I like the shopping trips and eating all the candy bars we sell as a fund raiser."

Dances were major activities. Student council, sponsored by Mrs. Cathy Wilson, went all out to decorate the old gym with items like trash-bag Santas, flying reindeer, and giant balloon hearts.

One of the biggest events in any school is the junior/senior prom. This huge extravaganza was left for the junior class to plan, prepare, and set up.

Chris Hoverson said, "Prom is expensive because everything keeps adding up. Getting ready for prom has been very time consuming, but in the end it was all worth it."

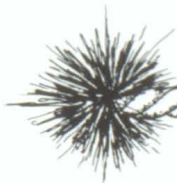
Regina Huff, Melissa Campbell, Sandi Nelson, and Allisha Benitz sing "Medicine Show Tonight" to promote the medicine show in the theatre production *Tied to the Tracks*. Photo by James Huss.



Sarah Geiger and Errica Stanton serve customers at the concession stand. This is the juniors' major money-maker for the year. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Every year the senior class goes through a CPR course. Kristy Clary works on "Annie" for the physical part of the course. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



Clubs stay active

Many of the clubs in Troy High School were busy as ever. The student council had a new sponsor, Mrs Cathy Wilson. The student council hosted many of the usual events, such as the Thanksgiving dinner that they served to the middle school and high school students. They also sponsored the Homecoming and Queen of Courts dances and food and toy drives during the holiday seasons. They donated the food and the toys that they collected to NEK-CAP, which then distributed them to needy children and families.

Student council president Sam Reust said, "The dances went super, the fundraisers were swell, and all the other fundraisers seemed just Jim Dandy. We had tons of fun this year! Overall the year was a great success."

Stuco also took part in the drug-free rally and fly-in.



Pictured above are the Kayette members. Front Row: Nancy Mitchell, Renee Scholz, and Lacey Whittaker. Row 2: Sandi Nelson, Jamie Christenson, Lindsey Rosenberger, Megan Boeh, Stephanie Cook, Noelle Oyler, and sponsor, Mrs. Israel. Row 3: Regina Huff, Alissa Durbin, Kelley Dishon, Kelli Simons, Kristy Clary, and Kristina Heil. Row 4: Jenny Ford, Chris Hoverson, Merideth Mason, Melissa Campbell, Jamie Wykert, Angie Neumann, Sarah Geiger, Sarah Boeh, Katherine Robinson, Nicole Kinsey, and Christy Gibson. Row 5: Marietta Wood, Betsy Schultz, Laura Ford, Katie Culp, Suzie Oyerly, Allisha Benitz, Kristin Kinsey, Linda Feek, Amy King, Larissa Handley, Christy Stewart, and April Hiemer. Row 6: Amber Clary, Regan Miner, Lynsay Gibson, Jamie Stewart, Brandi Strong, Angie Bramlage, Christine Whetstine, Ginger Winder, Regina Adams, Abra Eylar, Erin Murphy, Melissa Albers, and Crystal Trant. Photo by Bray

"I feel that the student council worked extremely hard this year and they should be proud of their accomplishments. I'm expecting an even better year next year," commented Cathy Wilson, sponsor.

Another active group was Kayettes. Throughout the year Kayettes were busy with many of their usual activities such as cleaning the trophy case, going shopping at Independence Mall, cleaning up after a football game, and having secret sisters and the senior farewell. They also donated money and plants to the area rest homes.

Sponsor Babetta Israel said, "Under the strong leadership of Noelle Oyler the Kayettes bonded for a meaningful year of fun and service. As sponsor, my greatest joy was watching the positive interchanges within the group."

"I have been in Kayettes since I was a freshman. I have had a lot of fun doing things with the group. I feel going shopping and having secret sisters was the most fun because I got to know the underclass girls," said Nancy Mitchell.



Performing their skit at the fly-in, during Red Ribbon week are Pat Drake, Justin Engemann, Melissa Campbell, and Sam Reust. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Pictured above are the student council officers: Vice-President Tyler Whetstine, Secretary Sandi Nelson, and President Sam Reust. They were in charge of planning many of the activities for the year. Photo by Bray.

Pictured below are the varsity Quiz Bowl members. Front Row: Suzie Oyerly and Regina Huff. Row 2: Jared Cash and Andy Bramlage. Row 3: Mr. Bruce Reynolds, sponsor. Photo by Bray.



Pictured below are the Kayette officers. Front Row: Stephanie Cook and Lacey Whittaker. Row 2: Sandi Nelson, Lindsay Rosenberger, and Megan Boeh. Row 3: Nancy Mitchell, Renee Scholz and Mrs. Israel, sponsor. Row 4: Noelle Oyler. Photo by Bray.



The student council members are Front Row: Tyler Whetstine. Row 2: Sandi Nelson and Heath Campbell. Row 3: Sarah Geiger and Jill Wiedmer. Row 4: Kristin Kinsey and Corey Kostman. Row 5: Sponsor Cathy Wilson, Shane Akers, Lynsay Gibson, and Steve Nelson. Photo by Bray.



Finding their way through the Independence Mall are freshmen Angie Bramlage, Christine Whetstine, and Ginger Winder. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Troy FFA members very competitive

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students all across America by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education. That was a sure thing for the members of the Troy FFA Chapter.

The year began with the chapter officers attending the State Conference for Chapter Leaders in Great Bend in July. The officers learned ways of bringing a chapter together to make it successful in finances and responsibility.

The chapter also held a kick-off activity the first week of school. The members enjoyed playing volleyball and eating cookies and other desserts.

"The kick-off was a great success. I felt it was a good opportunity for the members to get together and have fun," remarked Nancy Mitchell.

The chapter also participated in many contests within the Northeast District. The chapter got fifth place overall in the district sweepstakes. Points were given to the chapter for participation and placings in contests. Those qualifying for state competition were Ag Sales, consisting of juniors Sarah Boeh, Andrew Bramlage, and Sarah Geiger; Crops, consisting of seniors Nancy Mitchell, Noelle Oyler, and Jill Wiedmer; Entomology, consisting of juniors Corey Kostman, Jeremy

Prawl, and Kyle Thomas; and Meats, consisting of juniors Jaylon Ashburn, Sarah Boeh, and Sarah Geiger. The Ag Sales team placed 8th overall with Sarah Boeh winning 2nd place in the job interview. The Crops team placed 4th overall with high individual Nancy Mitchell placing 8th overall. The entomology team placed 10th overall in tough competition. Kyle Thomas placed 6th overall.

Also qualifying for state were Sarah Geiger and Angie Bramlage. Each won her division at the district public speaking level. Sarah was in the senior division and Angie participated in the creed-recitation contest.

These contests were aimed to provide skills that would be involved in a student's future life. Such skills are public speaking, public relations, writing skills, people skills, and other job skills.

"Ag Sales is a wonderful experience that would help me in years to come. State Ag Sales was very exciting. I hope we qualify again next year!" exclaimed Andrew Bramlage.

In November, the students also attended the national convention in Kansas City, Missouri. All the events took place in Municipal Auditorium and Bartle Hall. Earlier in the year the decision was made to move the convention to Louisville, Kentucky in 1999. At the convention, there were numerous activities for the students to attend. At the career show, the students gathered information on agricultural colleges and other chapters around the nation. Other activities included going to meetings and visiting the FFA shopping mall.

Receiving her first-place medal at the District Public Speaking Contest is Sarah Geiger. Sarah won the district and the Young Farmer's Speech Contest, to qualify for state competition. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.



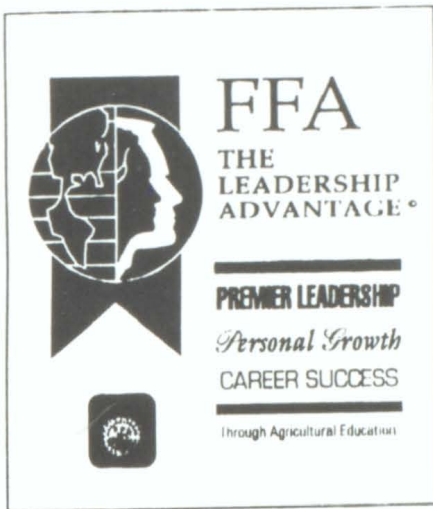
The 1996-97 Troy Chapter officers were: Front Row: Reporter Ryan Grable and Treasurer Andrew Bramlage. Row 2: Sentinel Sarah Boeh; President Nancy Mitchell; adviser Darrell Wapp; Vice-President Jill Wiedmer; and Secretary Sarah Geiger. Photo by Bray.





Trusting his fellow FFA officer friends is Ryan Grable. The blind-fold activity was among many of the activities that the chapter officers participated in at the chapter leadership conference. Photo by Mr. Darrell Wapp.

Selling fruit is one of the major fund raisers that FFA is involved in. P.J. Smith and Justin Engemann sort out the fruit that the FFA sold so they could distribute it to the buyers. The FFA made a lot of money to help send them to many of the big conventions and competitions that they attended. Photo by Darrell Wapp.



The 1996-97 Troy FFA members were, Front Row: Ryan Grable, Megan Boeh, Jill Wiedmer, Nancy Mitchell, Sarah Boeh, Sarah Geiger, Jeremy Prawl, Corey Kostman, and Noelle Oyler. Row 2: P.J. Smith, Angie Bramlage, Harley Feek, Justin Engemann, Dallas Keller, Andrew Bramlage, Christine Whetstine, Derek Luedke, Jaylon Ashburn, and Darrell Wapp, adviser. Row 3: Cole Jarrett, Ross Turpin, Ben Anderson, Angel Martinez, Steve Nelson, Nathan Geiger, Kyle Thomas, Tyler Thomas, and Jesse Cash. Photo by Bray.

Students achieve awards

National Honor Society, Quill and Scroll, and the awards ceremony showed scholastic achievements over the course of the year.

National Honor Society is a group of students that are chosen by their grade point averages and the activities that they are involved in. The National Honor Society sponsored a blood drive at the Catholic Church in Troy. The group also sold cookies and sponsored the food drive for Thanksgiving.

National Honor Society inducted 15 new members at the induction ceremony, which was the first of May. At the induction ceremony, the new officers were also installed into their offices.

Chris Hoverson said, "The National Honor Society is a great organization. We sponsor the blood drive as well as volunteer time towards preparing for the academic and sports awards banquets held throughout the year. The new members are a good bunch of hard working students. They will be able to take part in many activities. I am looking forward to holding the office of vice-president for next year and taking on the role set forth by the National Honor Society."

The school held an academic awards banquet, instead of having awards given on the last day of school.

The awards presented to the students were in art, speech and drama, journalism, band and chorus, and academics. Mr. Benny Rice, industrial arts teacher, presented students with awards with the most outstanding woodworking projects. Jermie Reno and Ben Anderson tied for the honor in Industrial Arts I. Pat Drake received the award for the bar he built and Cory Clary received it for his work on a coffee table.

Also at the awards banquet, the new Quill and Scroll members were inducted. They were Chris Hoverson, Nicole Kinsey, Jared Cash and Dallas Keller.

President Regina Huff, sponsor Nick Dannevik, and Vice-President Sam Reust conduct one of many meetings of the National Honor Society. Photo by James Huss.



The evening awards banquet was a new event. It used to take place during the last day of school. Sarah Boeh, Nicole Kinsey, Chris Hoverson, Christy Gibson, Aaron Clary, James Huss, and Jared Cash receive their speech letters. Each of these juniors has been in speech for three years and has lettered each year. Photo by Ferryl Cash.

Members of GCTL are Front Row: Christy Stewart, Melissa Campbell, Lindsey Rosenberger, and Renee Scholz. Row 2: Justin Engemann, Corey Kostman, Pat Drake, Kelli Simmons, Jill Wiedmer, and Sam Reust. The group held occasional meetings and took part in the Red Ribbon Week fly-in. Photo by Bray.



National Honor Society officers were President Regina Huff, Vice-President Sam Reust, Treasurer Pat Drake, and Secretary Kristina Drake. Mr. Nick Dannevik was the sponsor of the group. They sold cookies after lunch sometimes to try to generate money into the fund. Photo by Bray.



The NHS members were Front Row: Kristina Drake, Pat Drake, Regina Huff, and Sam Reust. Row 2: Larry Huff, Jill Wiedmer, Kelly Dishon, Kelli Simmons, and Clinton McMeme. Row 3: Jared Cash, Nancy Mitchell, Renee Scholz, Sarah Boeh, and Andy Bramlage. Row 4: Nicole Kinsey, Chris Hoverson, Sandi Nelson, Melissa Campbell, and Sarah Geiger. Row 5: Neal Eylar, Andy Franken, Heath Whetstine, Tyler Whetstine, and Dallas Keller. Row 6: Kyle Thomas, Lindsey Rosenberger, sponsor Nick Dannevik, Noelle Oyler, and Corey Kostman. Photo by Bray.



NHS members listen to ideas at one of their many meetings. Front Row: Andy Bramlage, Sarah Boeh, Chris Hoverson, Sandi Nelson, and Sarah Geiger. Row 2: Jared Cash and Larry Huff. Row 3: Neal Eylar, Andy Franken, Tyler Whetstine, and Dallas Keller. Photo by James Huss.



Quill and Scroll members Regina Huff, Renee Scholz, and Larry Huff prepare to begin the induction ceremony at the awards banquet. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Prom 'takes our breath away'

Our breath was taken away April 26 at the junior/senior prom. Students planned for weeks ahead of time, buying dresses, renting tuxes and finding a date to enjoy this big extravaganza.

The juniors prepared for this evening bright and early the morning of the 26th. They started at 8 a.m. and they were finished about 10 a.m. The juniors had a good turn out with plenty of students and parents. Balloons, confetti, wine glasses, garters, and napkins were all set to the theme, "Take My Breath Away."

About 142 THS students and other guests came for this memorable evening, which started with pictures at the court house, then moved to the Moila for more pictures and for the main event. The dinner was served at 7:30 p.m. It consisted of chicken breast tarragon, turkey, green beans, corn, fruit salad, twice-baked potatoes, and chocolate mousse for dessert.

Dallas Keller, junior class president, thanked everyone for coming and wanted the prom goers to kick back and have a good time. Senior class president, Larry Huff, thanked the juniors for the great job that they had done on the


decorations. After the dinner, Principal Donald Harter spoke of fond memories and-not-so fond memories. Then the students danced the night away.

The prom was officially over at 12 p.m., but students were allowed to leave at 11:30 p.m. Plenty of people wanted to leave early and start the festivities of the after-prom. The after-prom started at 12:45 and ended at 3:30 a.m. and no students were able to leave before it was over unless they called their parents. The St. Joseph YMCA hosted the bash. Students played basketball, racquetball, and walleyball, watched movies, swam, and ate plenty of food.

Harley Feek enjoyed after-prom. He commented, "It was fun until I got hit in the head by Meredith while playing racquetball. Besides that, I was happy about [winning] my new radio."

The highlight of the evening was the drawing for the prizes. This started at 3 a.m. Everyone at after-prom received at least one gift. The gifts ranged from gift certificates for Applebee's to colored televisions. Both Meredith Mason and Kelly Dishon won portable cd players. Larry Huff and Jared Cash won coolers. Harley Feek won a cd stereo system; Jill Wiedmer and Kirk Jamvold, colored televisions; and Kristina Heil, a microwave. There were also big money prizes too; savings bond to Tim Uplinger, \$50; Clinton McNemee, \$50; Neal Eylar and Michael Grable, \$100. For these students going to after-prom certainly paid off!

Melissa Campbell and Amy Schmille are busy preparing table arrangements for the "big night." Photo by Meredith Mason.



“The night went smoothly, and I commend the juniors on a job well done.

-Noelle Oyler”

Jamie Christenson and her date, Pat Besinger, enjoy the company of each other. Photo by Chris Hoverson.



Christy Gibson, Pat Drake, and Taryn Schmidt dance their shoes off during prom. The dance lasted from about 8 p.m. until 12 a.m.. Prom was a time for everyone to let loose, be themselves, and just have a really good time. Photo by McBee.



Mr. Darren Jenkins and Kristina Heil engage in some casual talk during prom. Photo by James Huss.



Harley Feek takes time out of partying to pour punch for his date Mandy Zabel. Photo by McBee.

Seniors experience St. Louis

Saint Louis, Missouri, was the destination for the seniors May 17. After a chartered bus trip by Heartland, they stayed at the Hampton Inn which is just up from Union Station. The seniors returned home Tuesday, May 20.

"The overall trip was interesting; however, the hotel could have been better. We visited many attractions and everyone had a lot of fun. I will remember the trip forever," said Doug Handley.

The seniors took part in many activities. As a class, they went up into the St. Louis Arch, visited the

Eating breakfast at The Old Spaghetti Factory are Kelly Dishon, Kelli Simmons, and Heath Campbell. Photo by Kristy Clary.



St. Louis Zoo and Science Museum and Union Station, went to Six Flags, and shopped at the Galleria.

When the seniors were not taking part in the group activities, they were free to do what they wanted. Some of the seniors enjoyed doing activities they had never done before which included eating at the only floating McDonald's in the world, riding in horse-drawn carriages through the downtown area, riding the Metro Link tram, or just walking along the riverfront.

"Mrs. Smith and Tom took part of us to Laclede's Landing Saturday night, and we were able to listen to live bands playing the bars even though we didn't go in," said Nancy Mitchell.

The senior sponsor was Elizabeth Smith. Principal Martin Stessman, Kathy Kasselmann, and Tom Smith also attended the trip as additional sponsors.

"We had a great trip! The kids were super! The toothpaste caper will be remembered for a long time to come," commented Elizabeth Smith.

The whole trip was a success and packed full of fun for many students. Memories were made and events never to be forgotten. The weather cooperated and made for an enjoyable trip.

"Senior trip was a lot of fun! I will always remember walking around downtown St. Louis in the middle of the night," laughed Kristina Heil.



Members of the senior class, Clinton McNemee, Larry Huff, Kelly Dishon, Jill Wiedmer, Kelli Simmons, Regina Huff, Julie Boeh, Noelle Oyler, Nathan Penny, Michael Grable, and Gabe Durr, wait for the bus after visiting the zoo. Photo by Nancy Mitchell.

Below: Singing, dancing, and having a great time are Regina Huff and Julie Boeh. Photo by Kristy Clary.

Center: Sam Reust, Kelli Simmons, Heath Whetstine, Kelly Dishon, Kristina Heil, and Kristy Clary take a carriage ride through town. Photo by Tom Smith.



Getting ready to tour the city are Noelle Oyler, Kelli Simmons, Kelly Dishon, and Regina Huff. Photo by Kristy Clary.

“ I had lots of fun hanging out with my friends, and I'll never forget the memories. -Kristy Clary ”

Posing with their jungle friend in front of the Ape House in the St. Louis Zoo are Noelle Oyler, Regina Huff, Julie Boeh, and Nancy Mitchell. Photo by Kristy Clary.



Mrs. Smith gets ready for bed after a long day of touring. Photo by Kristy Clary.

Graduation

Seniors say farewell to Troy High School

Graduation. The day every student eagerly awaits came and went for the class of 1997. Commencement was Sunday, May 25, at 4 P.M. in C.W. Oliver Gymnasium. This day brought happiness, nervousness, and tears.

"Pomp and Circumstance," played by the THS band, was the entrance song for the graduates. Juniors Andy Franken and Nicole Kinsey escorted the seniors in to the gym. The ushers were Corey Kostman and Sarah Geiger.

The awards and scholarships were the same as they always have been. Counselor Nick Dannevicik started with the awards presentation and the presentation of the Troy State Bank Scholarship, which was new, to Regina Huff. Hugh Kinsey awarded the Janice Kinsey Memorial Scholarship to Regina Huff and Renee Scholz, who also received the Booster Club Honorarium presented by Joi Davies. The SLK Scholarship was awarded by Isabel Sparks to Kristina Drake. The American Legion Awards were given by Paul Keller. The class selected the top students and the runner-ups. The

runners-up were Larry Huff and Jill Weidmer and the top awards were given to Clinton McNemee and Kristina Drake.

An addition to the ceremony was a slide show of childhood photographs of the seniors. This brought many laughs and a few tears. The slide show was assembled by Shane Gigstad and Darrin Stirton.

Two seniors tied for the honor of being Valedictorian. They were Larry Huff and Renee Scholz. Larry was first to speak followed by Renee, who shared "The Road Not Taken" by Robert Frost.

In the seniors' dedication to their families, they carried red roses to their parents and guardians to the song "Because You Loved Me" by Celine Dion.

Principal Marty Stessman, principal presented his first senior class at Troy High School to the gym full of hundreds of people. As the seniors received their diplomas, they were given their class flower, a white rose, by usher Nicole Kinsey. Then they proceeded to the risers where many pictures were taken.

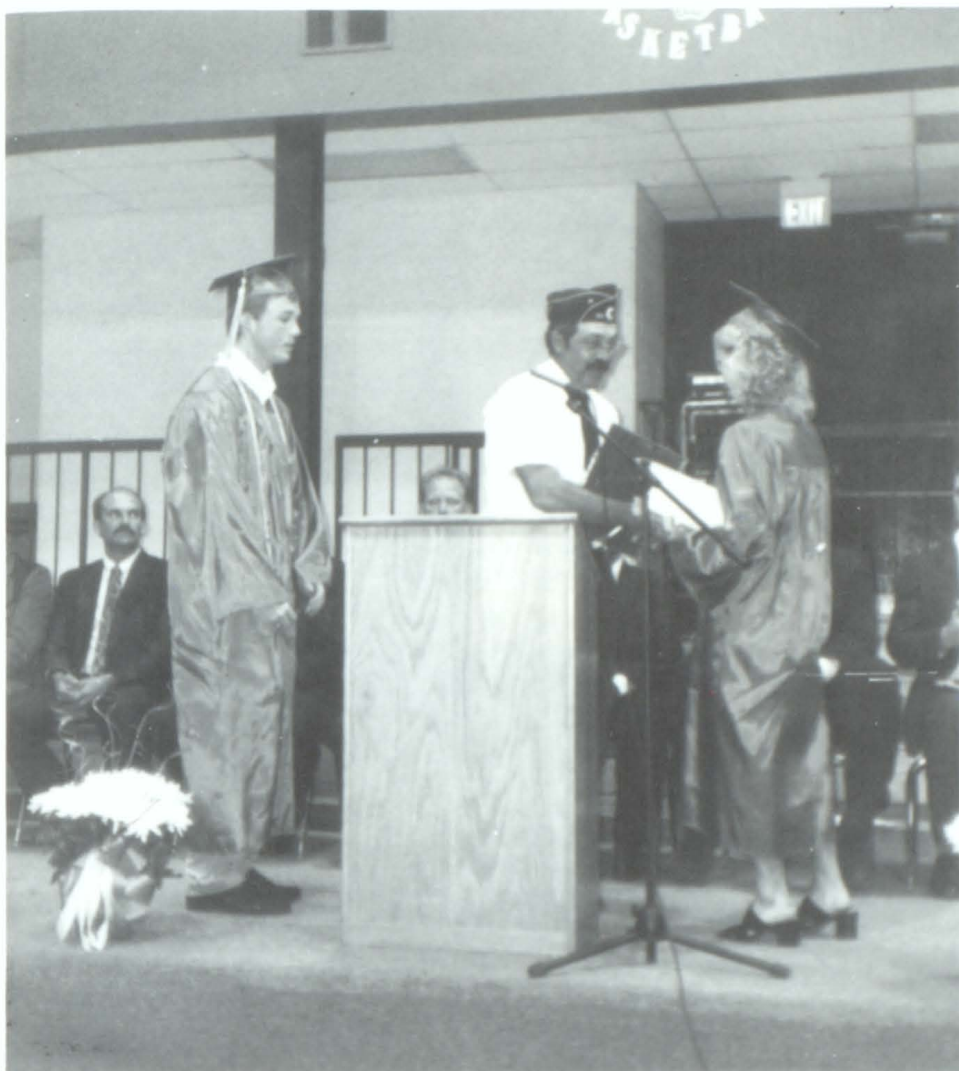


After receiving his diploma, Douglas Handley exits the stage towards the risers to await the rest of his classmates. Photo by Christy Gibson

Smiling after he receives his diploma is Pat Drake. This was the moment the seniors awaited for thirteen years. Photo by Christy Gibson



Receiving their American Legion Awards, which were selected by their classmates, from Paul Keller are Larry Huff and Jill Weidmer. Photo by Chris Hoverson



Tito Martinez receives his diploma as classmates eagerly wait their turns. Photo by Christy Gibson.



Making final adjustments and posing for numerous cameras is the Class of 1997. This was the last time they would all be together at Troy High School. Photo by Christy Gibson.



Trying to brush off the rain and put his gown on is Eric Donaldson. Due to heavy rain many seniors got wet. Photo by Christy Gibson

Helping Julie Boeh make final adjustments is fellow classmate Nancy Mitchell. Photo by Christy Gibson



Jessica Stanton uses some of her money for gas. Photo by Chris Hoverson.



Shanna Wright deposits some of her hard earned money in the 1st Bank of Troy to save for a rainy day. Photo by Chris Hoverson.

Students try to find employment

Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to learn about the jobs and job opportunities that the students of THS had in and around the area of Troy. Money can be very important to students who like to party, go on dates, and/or want to go to college in the future. Whatever they do, money is always something people want more of.

The students of THS hold many of the jobs around Troy. Fast Lane, John's Market, Davies' Oil Co., and many other businesses

Jamie Christenson worked at John's Market to earn some money. Though she liked the money, getting off work was always one of her favorite things. Photo by Chris Hoverson.



Corey Smith goes to Troy Grain on an errand for his family. Photo by Chris Hoverson.

all employ THS students.

Many students also work for themselves by mowing lawns, baby-sitting or holding some other form of employment.

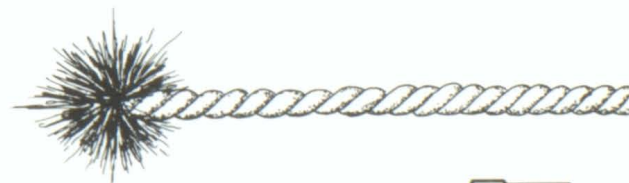
Sophomore Suzie Oyerly said, "Mowing for money is a great way to earn money for yourself. You earn a lot of money and you get a good tan. Even though I earn a lot of money I usually spend it easily. It goes to pay for school-related activities and my car, and there is always a little left over for entertainment value."

Sometimes if a student can't find a job in the town of Troy or just wants to get of Troy for awhile, he or she finds employment out of town. Rohrer's Game Farm, Oriental Restraunt, or the YMCA in Atchison all have THS students on their payroll.

Whatever employment a student finds and wherever it is, it can be pretty well assumed that even though that person might complain a little, he or she really likes having a few extra dollars to throw around.



Tayrn Schmidt goes into the Villiage Cart flower shop to possibly spend some of her money on flowers. Photo by Chris Hoverson.



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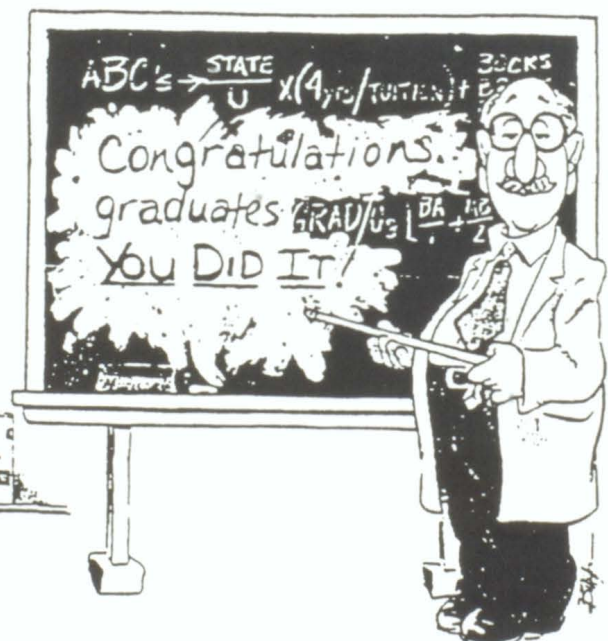
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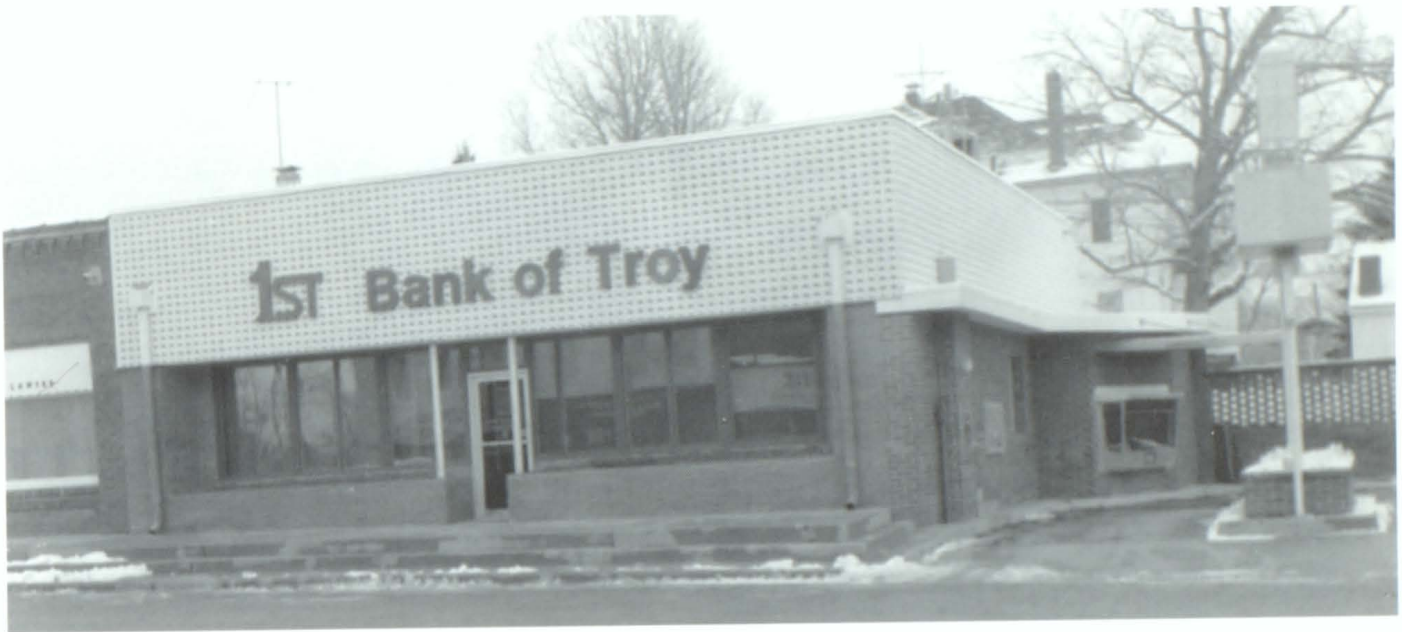
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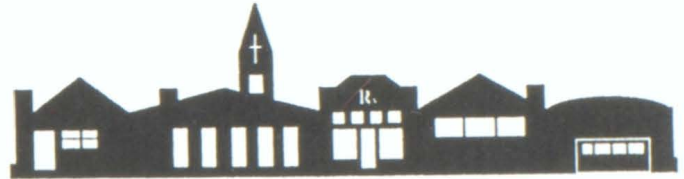
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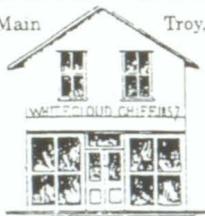
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Dear Nathan,

We love you and are very proud of you. Your integrity, sweet spirit, and sense of humor make you very special to all who know you. We are praying for you as you mature and become an independent adult.

God's promise to you is: "For I know the plans I have for you....They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope." Jeremiah 29:11

Love, Mom and Dad



Dear Kristina,

Though you sometimes chose to not listen, you have done wonderfully!

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Becky, and Jeff

Dear Regina,

From the tiny baby that you were to the lovely 18-year-old that you are now, you have made our lives a joy. The future is yours to command, and you will reach any goal you truly desire. We love you.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Dear Larry,

For the past 18 years, you have made our lives a joy. As you set your future goals, remember that you can achieve whatever your wish through diligent application of your abilities. We love you.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Dear Tito,

All your dreams can come true - if you have the courage to pursue them, and the wisdom to know when you've reached them. Dream, my son.



Dear Heath,

We love you very much and are so very proud of the fine young man you have become.

Mom, Dad,
Tyler, and Blaine



Dear Michael,
 We couldn't have asked for a better son. You have honesty, humor, and integrity. Be true to your values and make the most of your life. We love you.
 Mom, Dad,
 Kristin, Bethany, and Drew



Mary Noelle,
 Your beauty within follows your smile out to the world. You are my joy. Thank you.
 Mom

Pat,
 Here you are at 4 months, a happy smiling baby. Now, 18 years later not much has



changed. Sometimes, of course, I worry about you - but that's a natural part of being a parent. More often, I think about how special you are, and how much joy your cheerfulness and willingness to help out have added to my life. I love you just the way you are, and the way you makes me very proud. You will go far in life and you're the best son a mother could ever have! Thank you!
 Love, Mom



Clinton,
 You are a wonderful son and a great brother. Your intelligence, honesty, sense of humor, and independence have brought you far - never forget them. You have shown you can achieve everything - if you believe it is worth the effort. Keep that belief and the world is yours. Your accomplishments have made us very proud of you. Just remember, we are behind you every step of the way!!
 Love Always,
 Mom, Dad, and Jeff

Nancy,
 You can accomplish whatever you want to. We are very proud of you. Continue to reach for the goals you have set. We are here for you and we love you.
 Love,
 Dad, Mom, Galen and Bailey



Kelly,
 Your independence and determination will take you wherever you decide to go in life. Always remember you can count on us for anything and how proud we are of you.
 Love,
 Mom and Dad



Lindsey,

Even after all these years, nothing has really changed that much - you liked hair spray then too!! You have made us so very proud of the fine young woman you have become. Just know that we are always here for you.

All Our Love,
Dad and Mom



Eric,

Or should we say "BIG ED"? What a kid!! You've been fun and we're proud to be your parents. Stay focused on your goals. We wish you happiness now and always.

Love, Mom and Dad



Renee,

Your accomplishments and commitment to whatever has been put before you are overwhelming. We know you will achieve whatever you desire as long as you stay focused on your goals. Always remember the little things in life and the family and friends who have helped you and will continue to help you along your way. We are very proud to be the parents of Renee Lynn Scholz.

Love, Dad, Mom
and Shelby



Kelli,

You're a joy. You've grown into a beautiful young lady. Congratulations on all your accomplishments. We are so proud of you. Keep that sweet smile and positive attitude. The future is yours. With God's love and guidance, nothing is impossible!

Love,
Dad and Mom



Kristina,

As you travel the railways of life, just remember where you were, and allowing God to lead you, strive to be all you can be. We love and appreciate you, and are proud of what you are, and your goals in life.

Love always,
Mom and Dad

Dannevik, Betty
Dannevik, Nick
Davies, Aaron
Davies, Gary
De La Torre, Michelle
Dishon, Kelly 14,15,23,24,29,42,43,44,49,71,72,73,78,83,86,87,89,100,106
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Jenkins, Tommy
Johnson, Brad

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Keller, Dallas	32,33,41,49,57,60,81,83,100
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Kelley, Kevin	20,49,57
King, Amy	34,66,67,75,78
Kinsey, Hugh	21
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Kostman, Corey	32,33,41,49,57,79,81,83,98,100
Larson, Toni	20
Luedke, Derek	16,34,35,41,57,81
Luedke, Kenneth	13,20

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Martinez, Angel	36,41,81
Martinez, Tito	12,26,29,41,43,89,105
Mason, Meredith	32,54,71,72,73,78
McConaughy, Kyle	7,10,34,35,41,64,75
McKittrick, Matt	5,34,41,52
McNeely, Melissa	36,66,71,72,74,78
McNemee, Clinton	26,28,41,43,48,49,61,63,66,71,75,83,86,89,100,106
McNorton, Kevin	20
Milbourne, Bobby	7,12,17,32,42,57
Miner, Regan	36,66,78
Mitchell, Bonnie	21
Mitchell, Nancy	4,26,30,49,71,78,79,80,81,83,87,89,100,110
Murphy, Erin	5,10,36,37,44,71,78

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Nelson, Sandi	13,19,32,44,49,50,51,69,71,74,77,78,83,98,100
Nelson, Steve	36,41,81,98
Neumann, Angie	32,66,67
Norris, Jeff	15,24,27,29,89
Orcutt, Roger	36,52,62
Oyerly, Suzie	7,34,35,44,49,54,60,66,67,68,69,71,72,74,100
Oyler, Noelle	4,24,27,28,31,49,66,67,71,81,83,86,87,89,100,106
Peden, Clint	34,41,72,74,75
Penny, Nathan	25,27,28,86,89,105
Pickerell, Jared	36,46,66,67,73,75
Prawl, Jeremy	32,41,49,52,81,100

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Reed, Crystal	44
Reno, Jeramie	36,64
Reust, Sam	14,25,26,41,43,49,57,58,59,60,66,69,71,75,78,82,83,87,89
Reynolds, Bruce	8,20,33,41
Reynolds, Nathan	5,7,34,41,49,52,53,60,65,100
Rice, Benny	20,41,52
Rice, Linda	20
Rivers, Larry	20,54
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Rockey, Lyle Jr.	20,60
Rockey, Martha-Jean	20,49,69,70,71

Rodgers, Robin	36,44,54,67,75
Rosenberger, Lindsey	8,11,25,26,28,29,45,44,49,50,54,55,71,72,83,89,100,107
Ruhnke, Arlen	21
Ruhnke, Cory	5,34,67
Rush, Casey	34,41,52,71,72

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Schmidt, Taryn	32,66,67,85
Schmille, Amy	15,32,85
Scholz, Renee	6,12,13,19,26,43,44,49,71,72,74,83,89,100,107
Scholz, Shelby	36,57,71,74
Schultz, Betsy	8,9,34,35,44,49,50,51,60,66,69,74,76,100
Schultz, Linda	21
Scroggins, Jeff	16,36
Shelton, Jared	36,41,57
Simmons, Kelli	14,15,17,25,26,28,42,43,44,49,50,51,58,59,71,83,86,87,89,100,107
Smith, Corey	13,34
Smith, Elizabeth	20,87,110
Smith, John	36
Smith, P.J.	13,34,46,81
Speaks, Brett	5,34,46,47,49,57,60,71,72,73,75,100
Stahl, Christy	34,54
Stamper, Janessa	36,54,72,74
Stanton, Errica	19,32,44,66,67,71,77
Stanton, Jessica	15,19,32,44,71
Stessman, Martin	20
Stewart, Christy	6,34,44,71,75
Stewart, Jamie	37,44,54,71,75,83
Stewart, Pearl	34
Stock, Angie	20
Strong, Brandi	10,37,39,46,54,60,71,72,74
Sutherland, Archie	21

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Thomas, Kyle	32,33,41,49,80,83,100
Thomas, Tyler	37,41,57,71,75,80
Thompson, Steve	11,20,37,67
Trant, Crystal	2,3,5,37,44,46,47,54,66,67,71,72,75
Turpin, Ross	37,45,57,69,71,72,74,80
Twombly, Tim	21
Uplinger, Tim	13,32,41,49,52,59,73,75,100

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Walters, Diane	20
Wapp, Darrel	20,46,80,81
Whetsine, Christine	4,37,44,62,69,71,74,79,81
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Whetstine, Tyler	33,41,49,56,57,78,83,98,100
Whittaker, Lacey	37,44,54,60,78,79
Wilson, Cathy	20,79,98
Wiedmer, Jill	14,15,17,25,26,29,42,43,49,78,79,80,81,83,89,98,100
Winder, Chloe	21
Winder, Ginger	4,18,37,44,54,66,67,71,79
Wood, Marietta	34,44,49,50,51,60,71,100
Wright, Shanna	9,33
Wykert, Jamie	19,33,49,71,75,78,100



Graduation is not a time to have a crooked collar. Mrs. Elizabeth Smith fixes Doug Handley's before the seniors march in. Photo by Christy Gibson.



Life: A mission in itself

Your Mission, should you choose to accept it, is to use the knowledge that you have learned here at THS and use it in your life. Not only the book knowledge you have been taught will be important. You must also use the knowledge about life that you have learned through interacting with the people here at THS.

High school is a time to learn facts, to live,

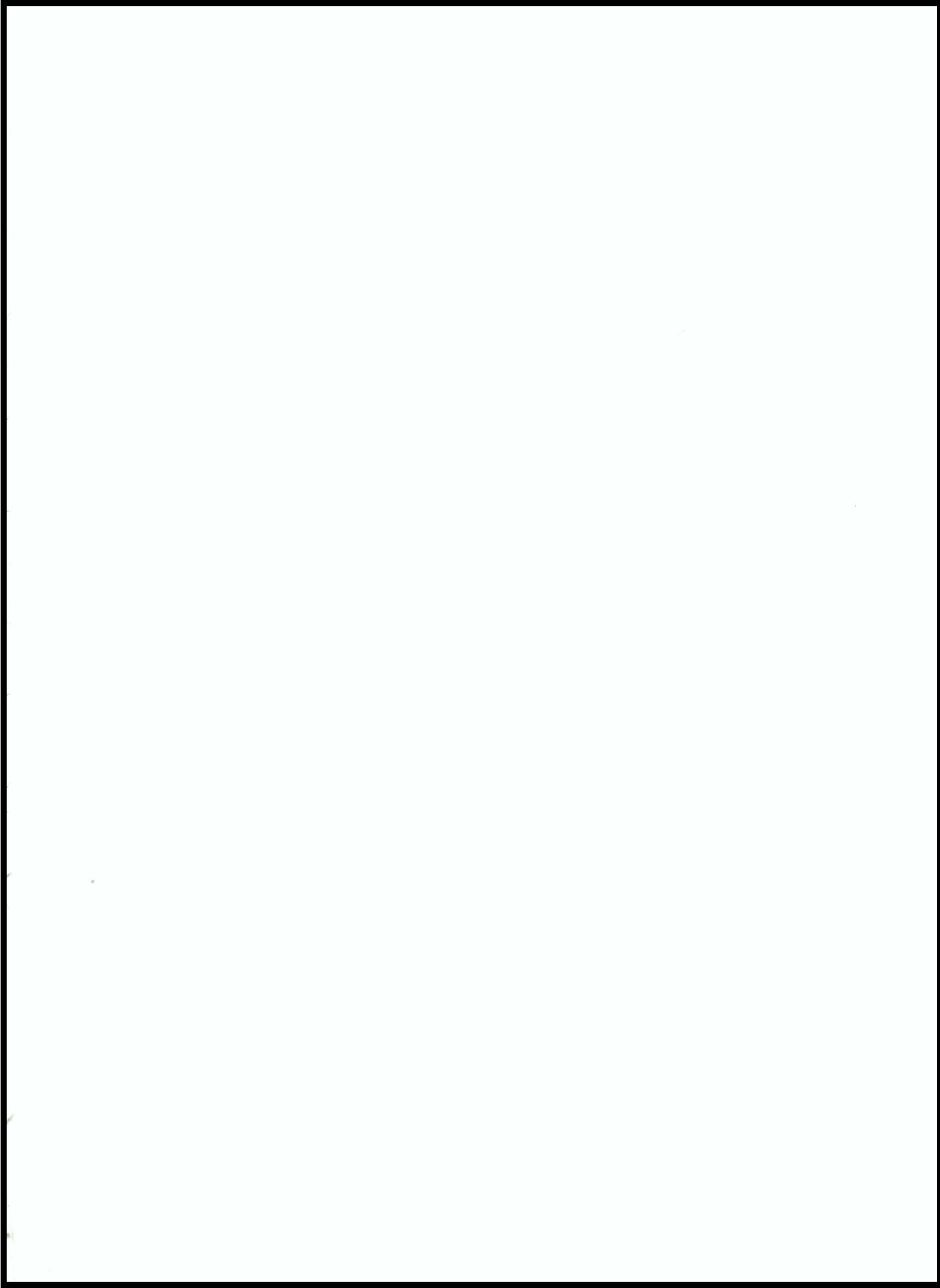
You never know what you'll find at Six Flags in St. Louis. Nancy Mitchell, Kristy Clary, and Julie Boeh found Pepe le Pew. Photo by Regina Huff.



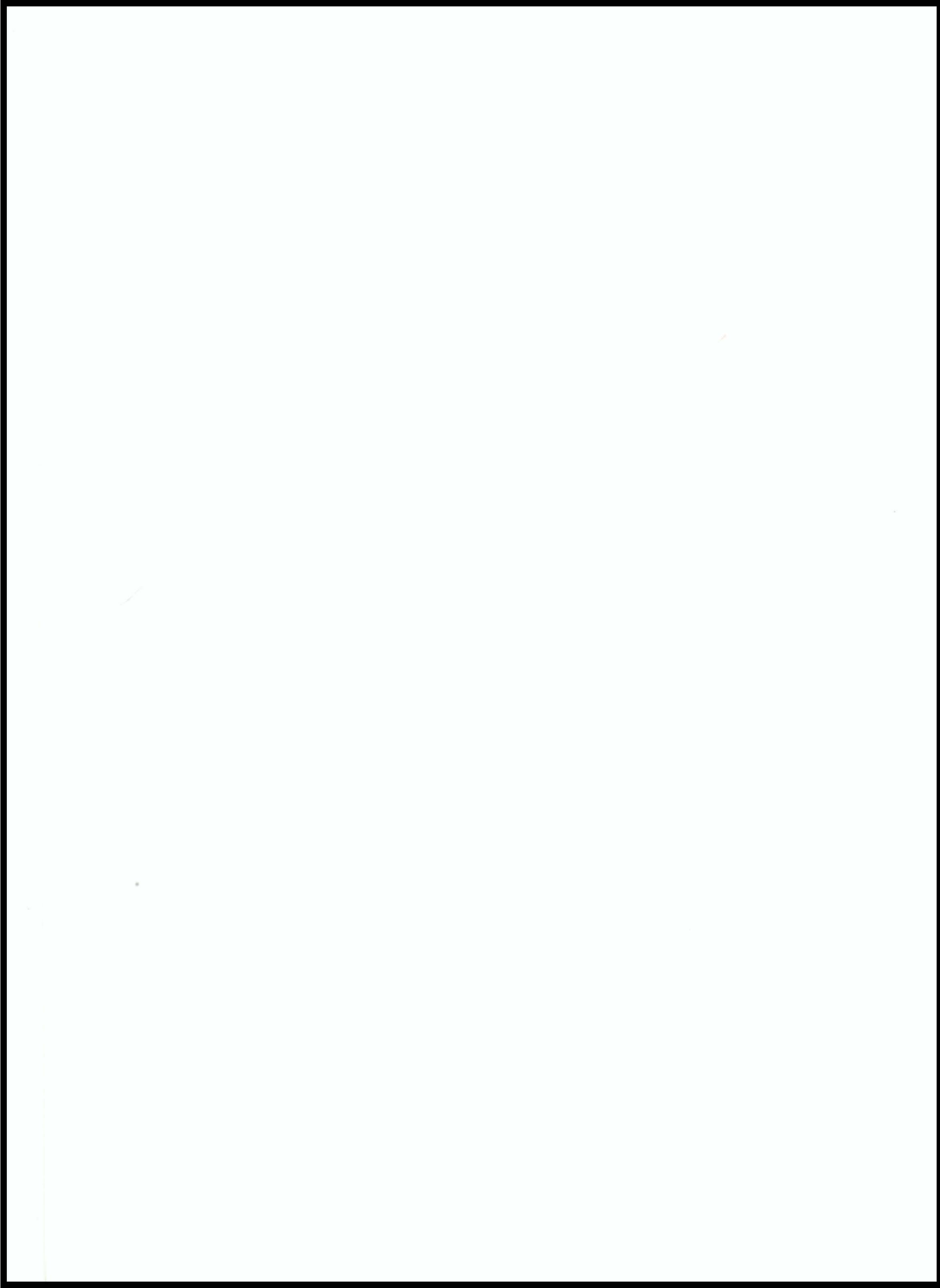
and to get along with people. Students learn information out of books that will give them the education that they need to get a job and make something of themselves in the future, but kids also learn how to be adults. This is the impossible mission that we all face in life.

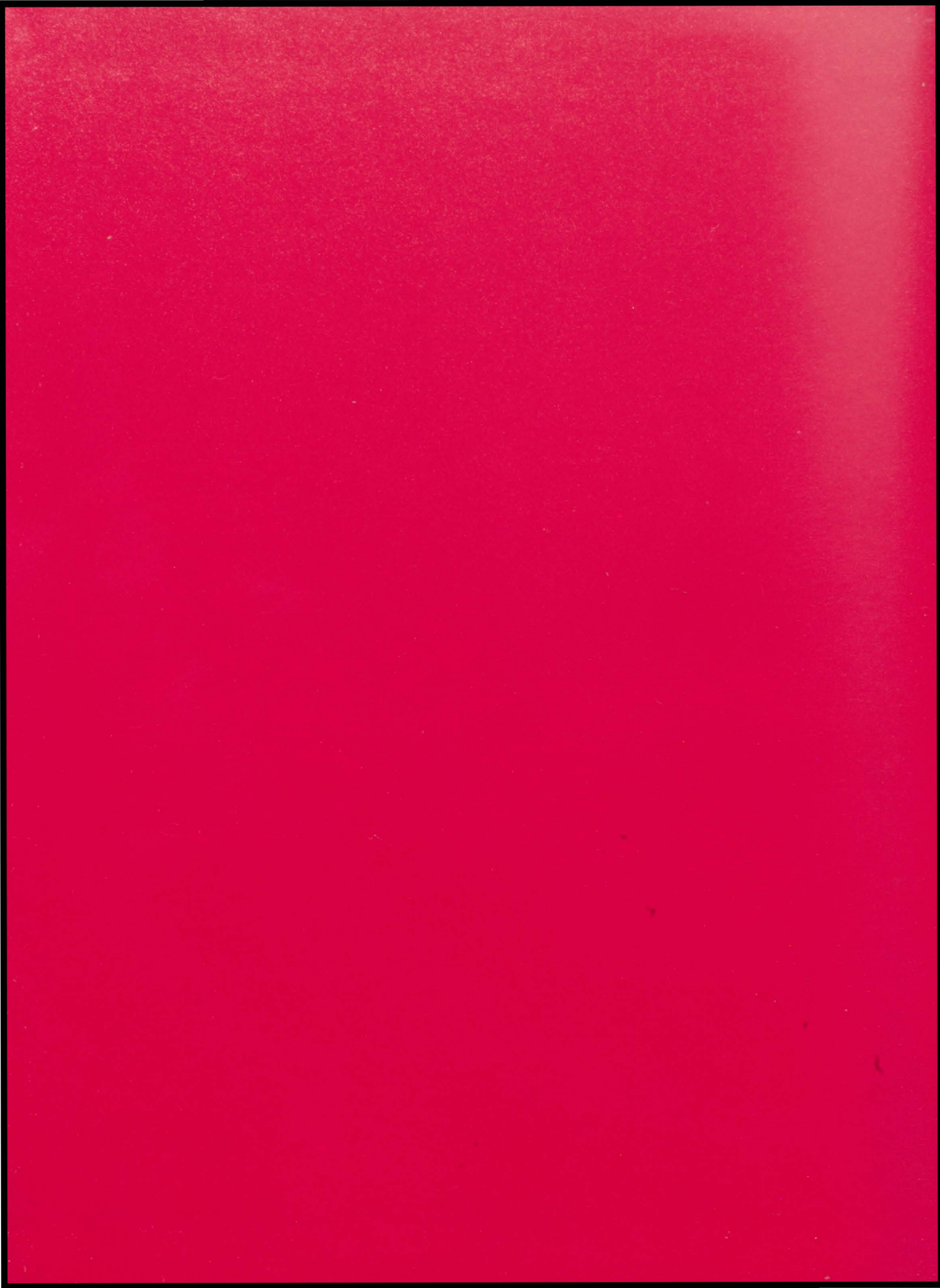
High school is said to be the best time of your life and this just might be true. At THS, one person knows everyone in school, which might be more people than you will ever know at one time in your life. This means you must learn to get along with different types of people or the school just won't work. This also means you probably have many friends.

Saying good-bye is also part of growing up and just like every other year, the senior class says good-bye to THS and to all the friends that they have made over the years. This is usually a very hard task but it is just another step in life.



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