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WILD SIDE



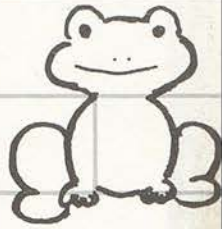
Wildcat '88



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SENIORS

MEOW!



BUTCH

W L D CATS



Juanita,
"Hot Lips"
Euler



BORN TO Be WILD

I ♥ the
class
of "88"

The CAT
Strikes
Again!



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the Bottom LINE

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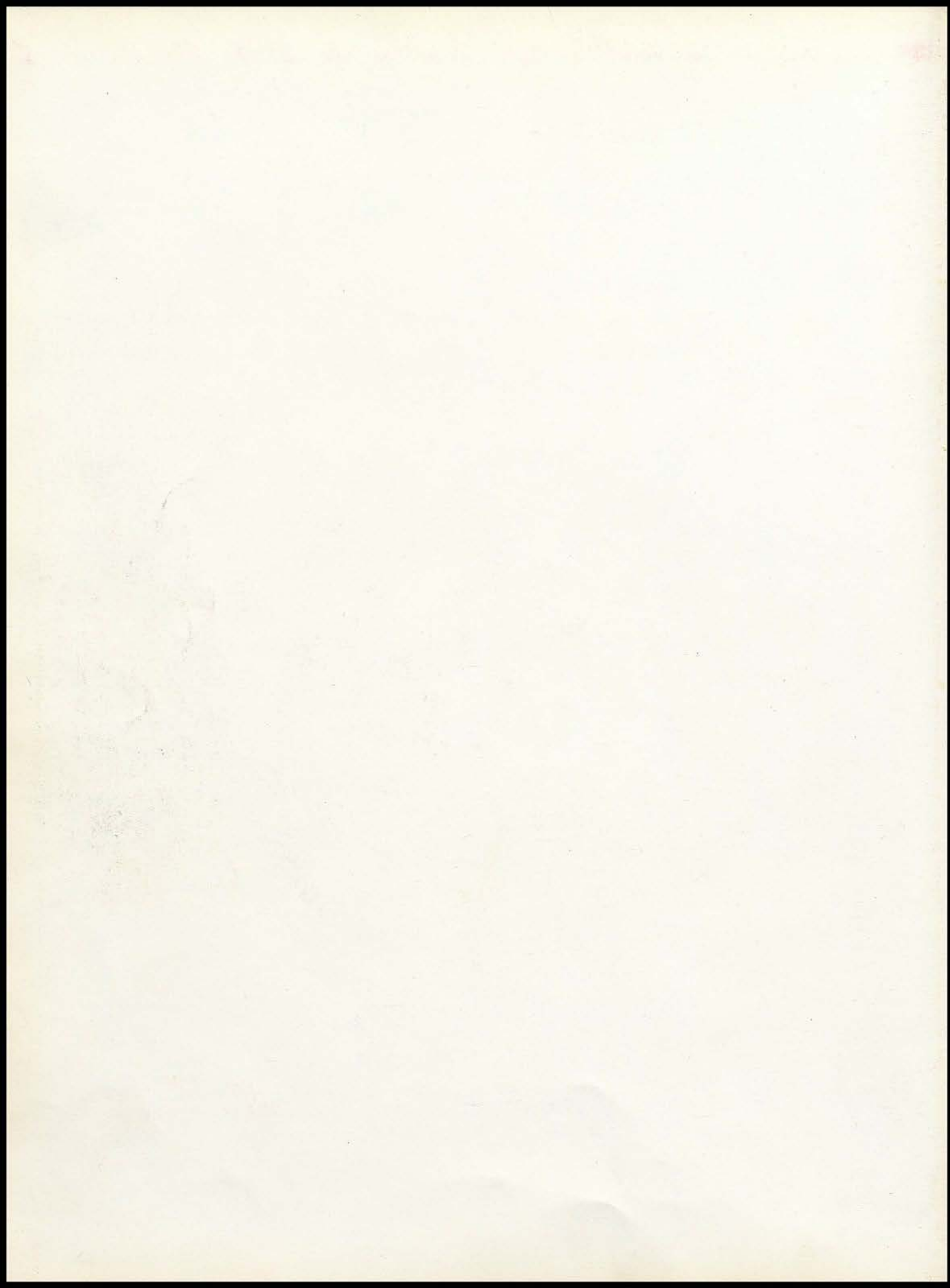
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Walk on the Wild Side

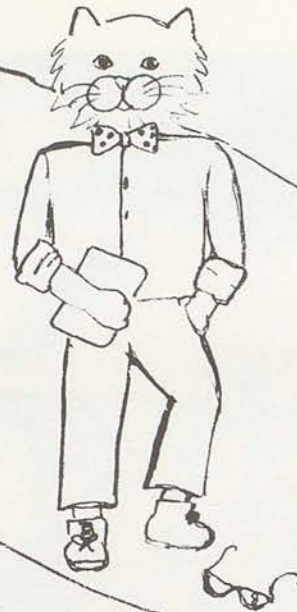
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Wathena High School
Wathena, Kansas
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TROY
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2 miles to
the
WILD
SIDE

**Leave
all your cares
behind and . . .**

Take a Walk on the Wild Side!

Let's face it, most people usually just see the serious side of the students here at W.H.S.—whether it is during semester test time or at an intense sports event. Now, how fair is that?

To be able to get to know someone, you have to see all of their different moods and personalities. So, in this edition of the Wildcat yearbook we will take a look at the wilder side of the students. You know the part. The part in all of us that craves for excitement and ends up paying for it later.

Let's recap some of the wilder moments at W.H.S.

these past few years. How many of you remember when a teacher's hall paddle was stolen and held for ransom by a mischievous student? Or did you hear when a student told an unsuspecting classmate to do the wrong assignment, just for a laugh.

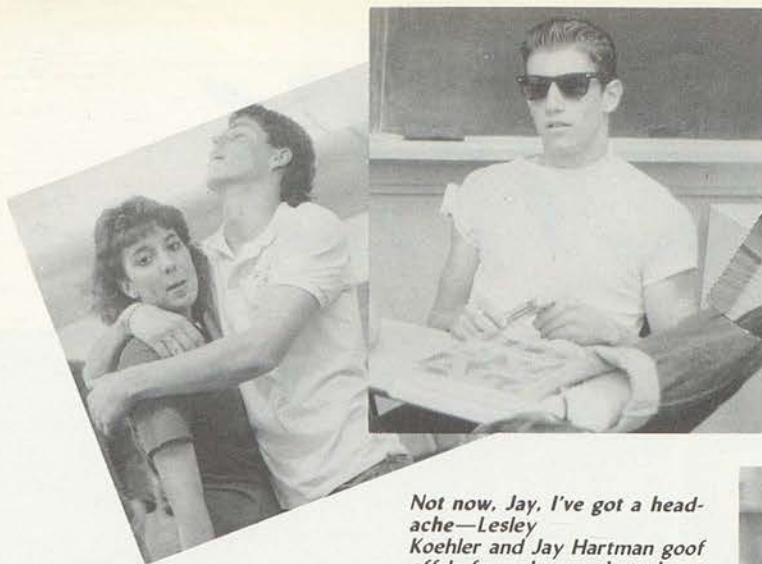
This is not even the half of it. The excitement and craziness is not restricted just to school. Students being let out of school are kind of like wild animals breaking out of a zoo!

Most kids enjoy hopping in their cars and spinning their tires or seeing how many doughnuts they can pull off

in the school parking lot on a weekend night.

A good example may also be going home well after a curfew and seeing which one of their wild selection of excuses their parents will buy. Yes, the high school years can very well be called the best years of a person's life because these years have a feeling of freedom and adventure.

by Angie Spainhower



Not now, Jay, I've got a headache—Lesley Koehler and Jay Hartman goof off before chorus. photo by—Nicki Simpson
 The King of Cool kicks back—A.J. Braithwait's Dippity Do hairstyle really becomes him during one of our football spirit days. photo by—Janna Boos
 I think I've got the hang of it—Angie Davis tries her potato swinging skills during the Gym Olympics held before Christmas vacation. photo by—Janna Boos



What's this? Party time in PT?—Heidi Engemann and Brent Vertin joke around before their Principles of Technology class begins. photo by—Janna Boos



STUDENTS

"This year seems to be my best year yet because we finally have a good group of seniors."

—Anginette McAdams



Get that boy on Star Search!—Brian Walker gives the hula-hoop a try at the Homecoming pep rally.—photo by Miss Reese



"I really felt good about W.H.S. when everyone went out on Troy's football field during the halftime of the game. The spirit was great!!—Andrea Lehman



What an attitude!—Tara Deaton and Jennifer McAdams ham it up during the Spirit Week festivities.—photo by Miss Reese



"It seems like everyone has more spirit this year. I like it. It makes school seem more fun."—Chris Kucan

Alright everybody! Say cheese!—The flag girls take time out to smile for the camera during the Spirit Week parade. They are escorted by Jerry Jones.—photo by Miss Reese.

All for Red and Blue—The Wathena Wildcats take time out of their busy day to pose for a student body picture. photo by Bray

WILD

Things

Students. More wild than tame, more crazy than sane, more loud than quiet, more spirit than dullness, and more positive than negative.

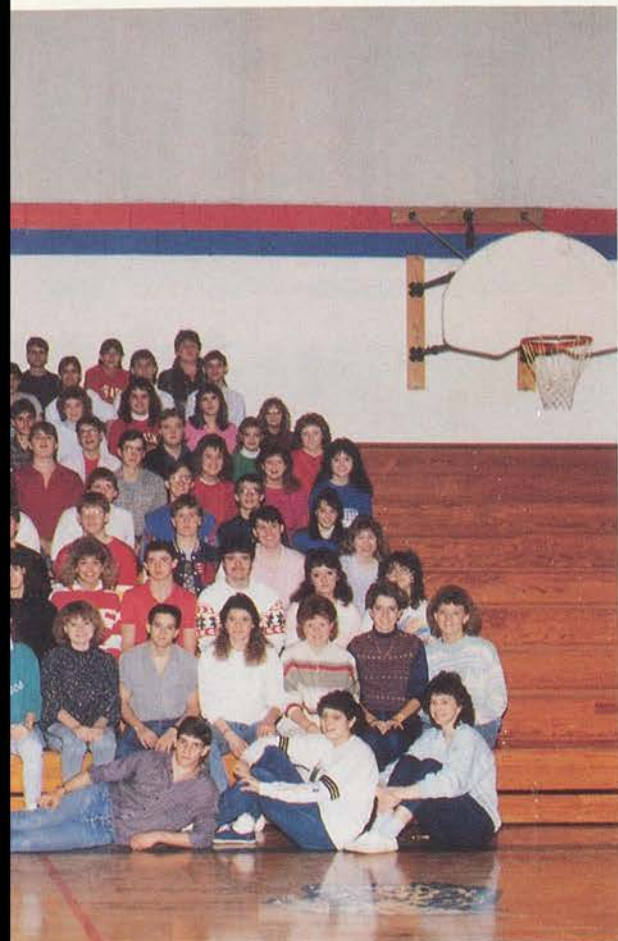
No matter what, it takes all kinds to make a student body. The student body at W.H.S. is no different. That may be the best part of the school. Everyone has something different to offer. But one thing is true for almost everyone here in our high school . . . we have more school spirit and pride!

"I think the students

came back different this year," said Jim Simerly, junior. "They seem a flashier with a little more spunk and a lot more pride. I think the morale of the students this year was up a 110%."

"I'm really impressed with all of the students," said Brenda Bauman, senior. "The classes seem to be pulling together more. A good example of this could be spirit week and the positive response to the pride shirts."

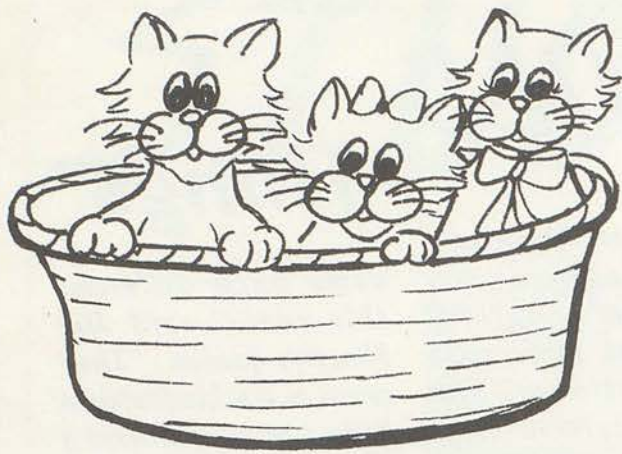
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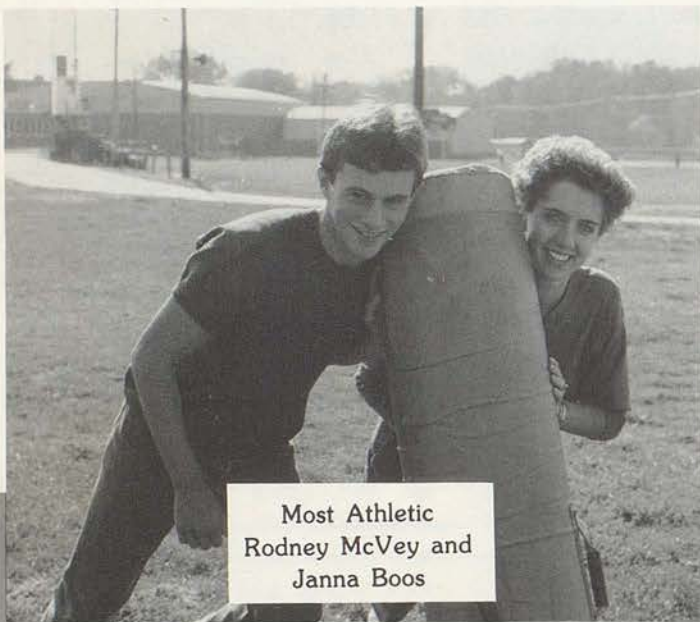
"This should be an omen for a good year because marching band is over and I didn't fall in a ditch!"—Mrs. Schmidt

Boogie-woogie bugle boy from W.H.S.—Kris Kucan adds to the entertainment of the day.—photo by Miss Reese

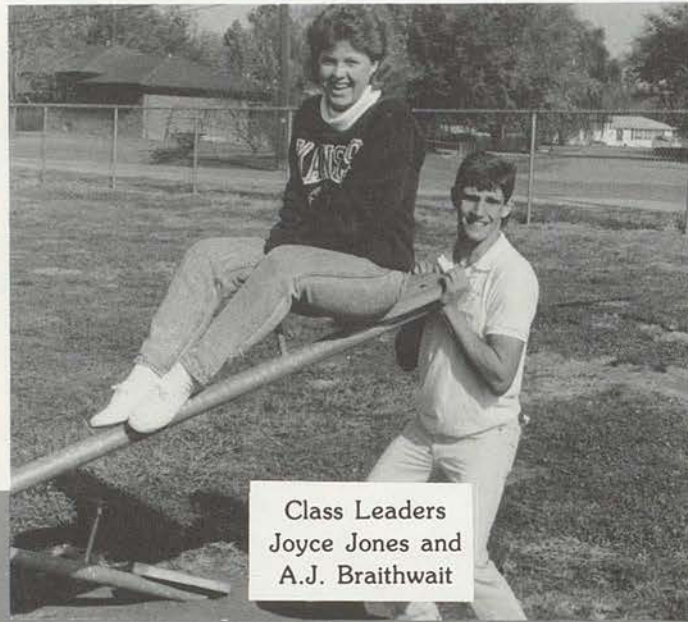
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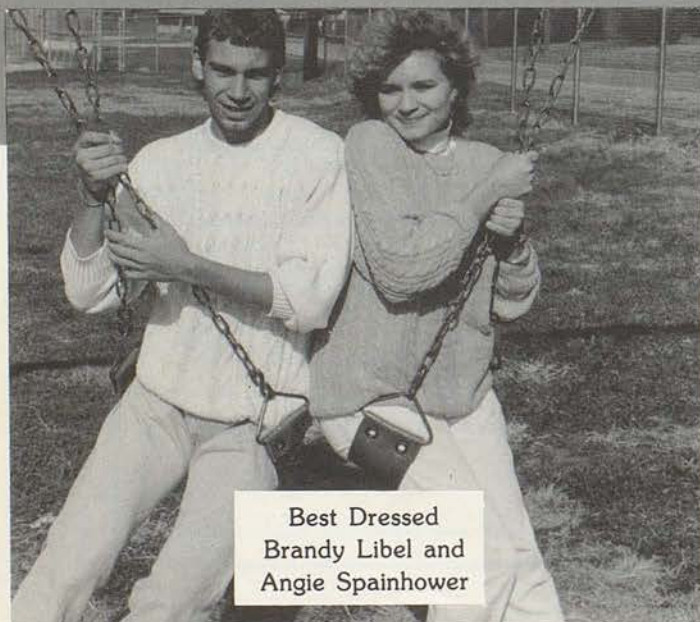
The Pick of the Litter



Most Athletic
Rodney McVey and
Janna Boos



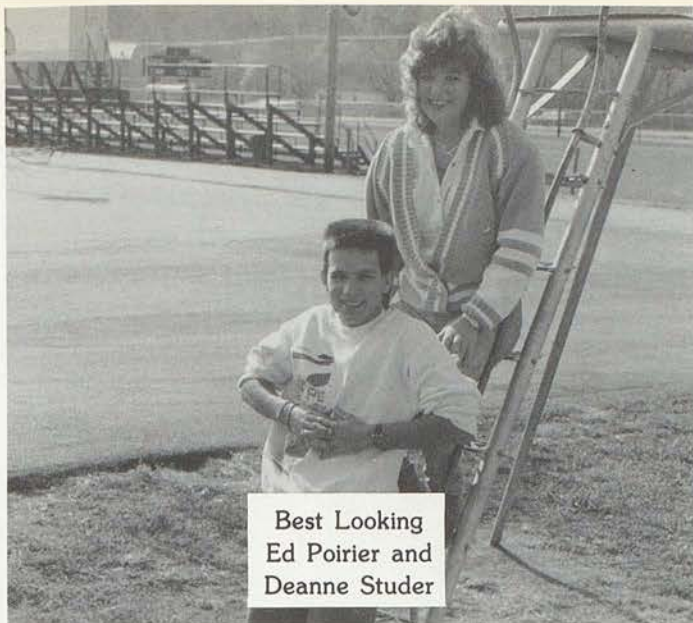
Class Leaders
Joyce Jones and
A.J. Braithwait



Best Dressed
Brandy Libel and
Angie Spainhower



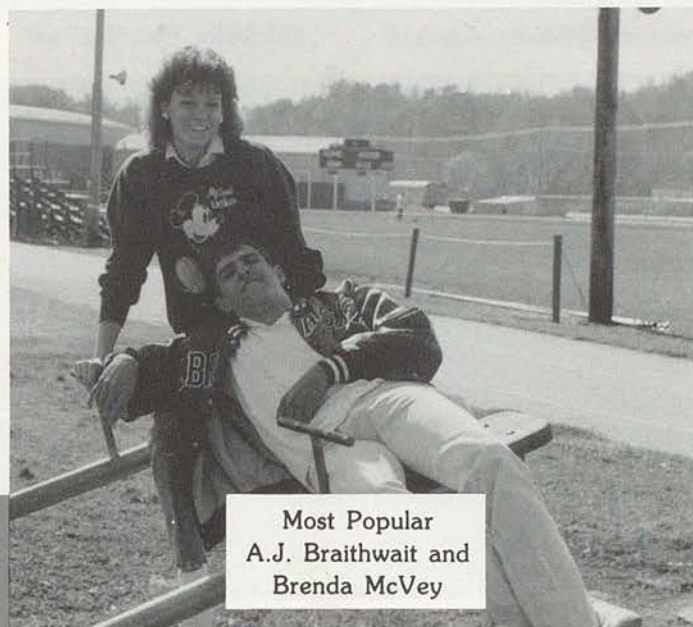
Best Sense of Humor
Doug Bauman and
Katy Elder



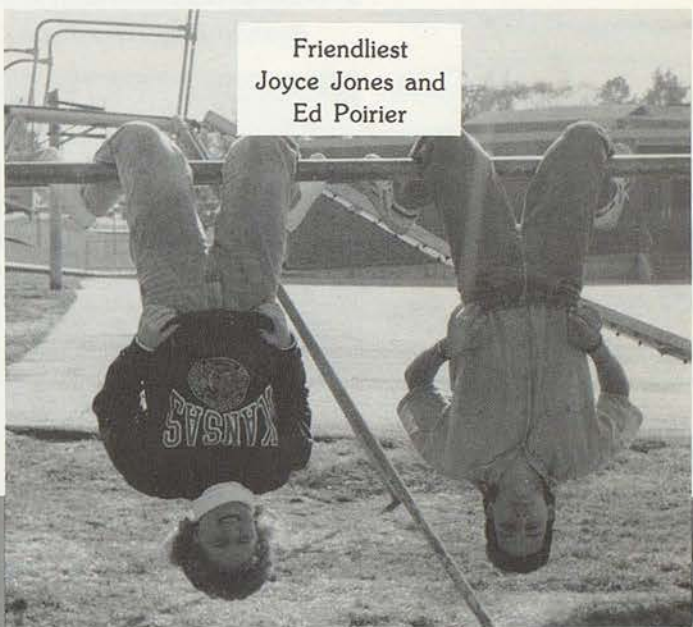
Best Looking
Ed Poirier and
Deanne Studer



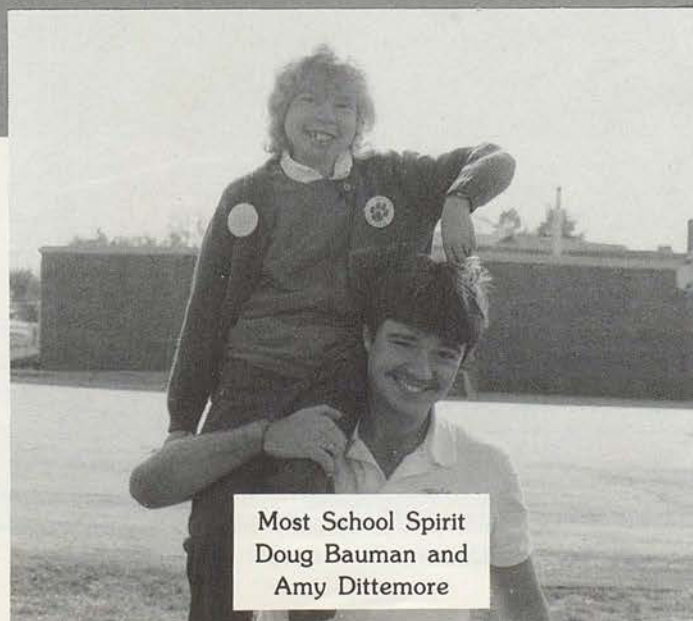
Most Likely to Succeed
Brent Vertin and
Heidi Engemann



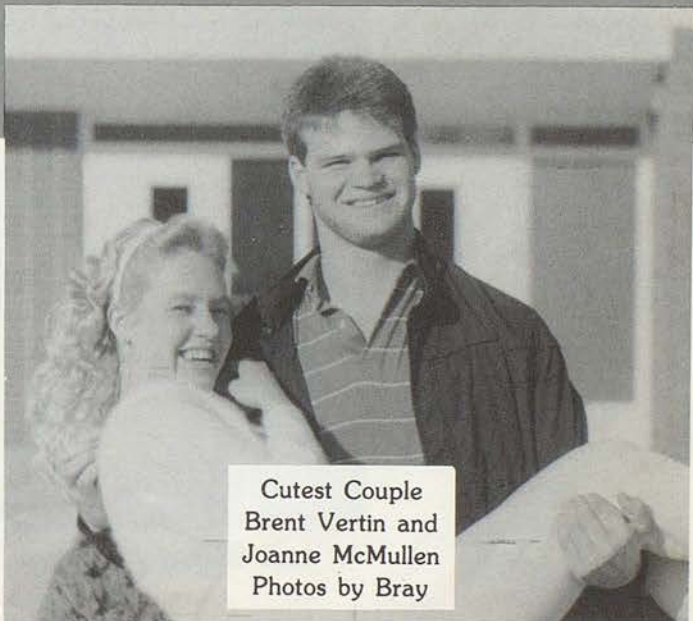
Most Popular
A.J. Braithwait and
Brenda McVey



Friendliest
Joyce Jones and
Ed Poirier



Most School Spirit
Doug Bauman and
Amy Dittmore

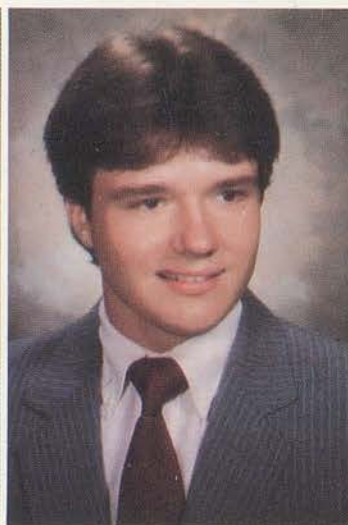


Cutest Couple
Brent Vertin and
Joanne McMullen
Photos by Bray

SENIORS



Brenda Kay Bauman



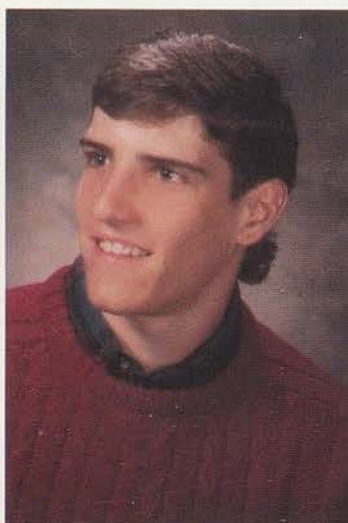
Douglas William Bauman



Michelle Lee Bell



Janna Lynn Boos



Austin James Braithwait



Sheila Elaine Clark



Lisa Shannon Cluck



Leslie Louise Cox



Amy Lou Dittimore



Katherine Grace Elder

Heidi Lynn Engemann

Michelle Renee Haupt



Brenda Jean Horner

Joyce Marie Jones

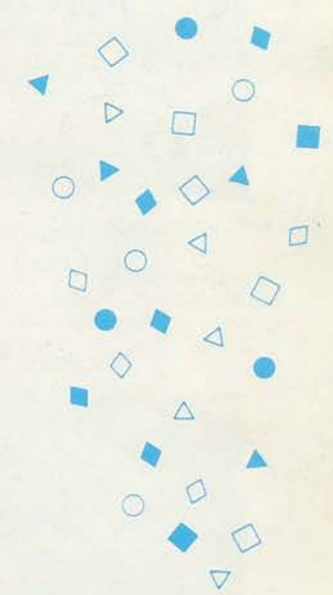
Tonya Raye Juhl



Brandon Andrew Libel

Anginette Renee McAdams

Joanne McMullen



Walk of Life

I will always remember:
Bob Endy, "The Temple
of Doom"—Brent Vertin

Doug Dishon hitting Mr.
Leach on the head with a
roll—A.J. Braithwait.

Handcuffing Brenda
McVey to the heater in
Ms. Shaw's room.—Janet
Sharp and Sheila Clark.

Mistaking Tarkio for To-
kyo.—Lisa Cluck

Dearest Chad,

We all love you very much, and we hope all your dreams and ambitions come true. Keep doing your best and all good things can happen. You're still the cutest thing going.

Love,
Mom & Dad

Bobby, Glenn, Denee, Renee and Nicholas



Brenda,

You've made us very proud of you these past thirteen years! We know you will continue to make the right choices. You have the intelligence and determination to be anything you choose. Go for it!!

God bless you,
Mom and Dad



Doug,

Where have the years gone? Douglas, we are so proud of you, and we love you so much. Our wish for you future is Health and Happiness and most of all, Love. May you always walk in the Sunshine of God's love.

All our love always,
Mom and Dad



Angie,

Congratulations and best wishes. I am very proud of you. You are a winner.

Always believe in yourself and you will succeed in life.

May God bless you always.

Love you lots,
Mom



Deanne,

We've watched you grow from a sweet little girl to a beautiful young lady that we are very proud of.

Your Dad and I wish you all the best that life has to offer: love, happiness, and success.

No matter where life leads you, always remember you have our love. Mom and Dad



Dear Joyce,

We are very proud of you and your accomplishments. Our "Thanks to You" for a job well-done. Our best wishes go with you and we hope that KU and college life live up to all your expectations. May God bless and keep you.

Love, Dad and Mom



Janelle,
Congratulations. Darling, always be yourself.
Love others most of all and seek the Lord for
guidance and you'll go far.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Amy,
We are so proud of you. May God bless you
in all that you do. Our love and best wishes to
you always.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Nat,
We wish you happiness in whatever you do.
We love you,
Mom and Dad



Michelle,
Time's gone by hasn't it? We love you and
pray your every dream will come true as you
go through the years. God bless!

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Nicholle



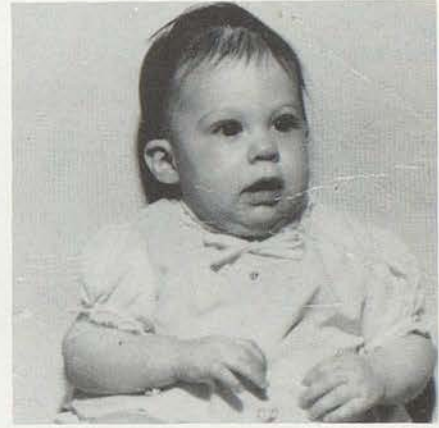
Janna,
How time flies. Seems like like only yester-
day that you were our little bird—
Good luck in all your future endeavors. We
know you will succeed in anything you do.

We love you,
Mom & Dad



Brenda,
You have brought us much happiness and
we hope the future holds only the best for you.

Love,
Mom & Dad



Tonya,
Congratulations and best wishes go with you
in whatever you do.
Remember we love you and will always be
here for you.

Love,
Mom & Dad



Leslie,
Good luck to you Leslie. We hope you will
always stay the same warm and vigorous per-
sonality in this picture.

May God bless you,
Always,
Love, Dad and Mom



Katy, Dear,
As we have watched you grow it has been
such a joy to see the person you've become.
May the Lord's blessing continue to be upon
you. We love you so much.

Dad and Mom





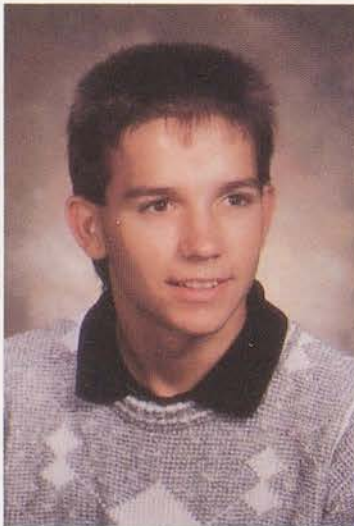
Brenda Jo McVey



Rodney Eugene McVey



Chad Anthony Poirier



Edward LaMonte Poirier III



Sandra Kay Ramseier



**Evalee Margaret
Rolfsmeier**



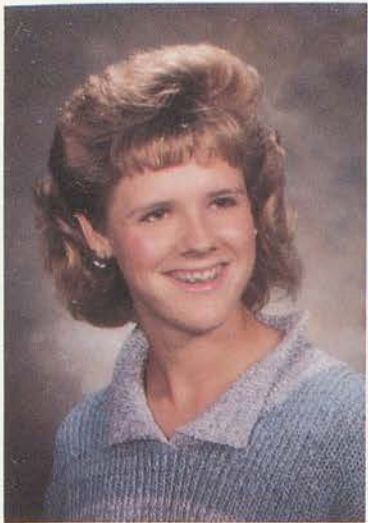
Natalie Sue Ruhnke



Janet Lorene Sharp



Angela Sue Spainhower



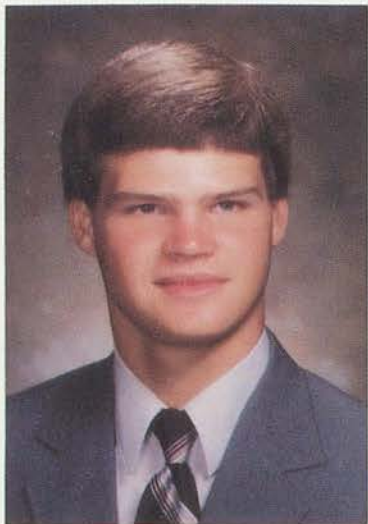
Janelle Marie Steeby



Deanne Renee Studer



James Dean Tawzer



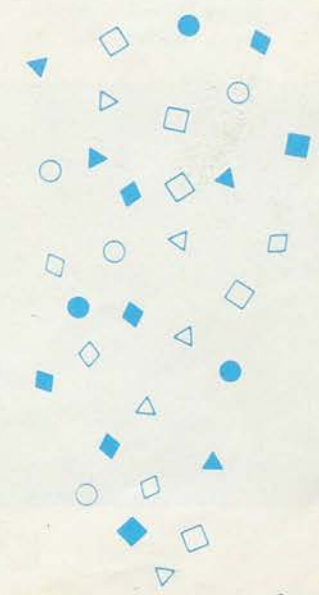
Brent Stephan Vertin



Class officers—Joyce Jones, president; A.J. Braithwait, vice-president; Michelle Haupt, secretary; and Janna Boos, treasurer. photo by Nicki Simpson.



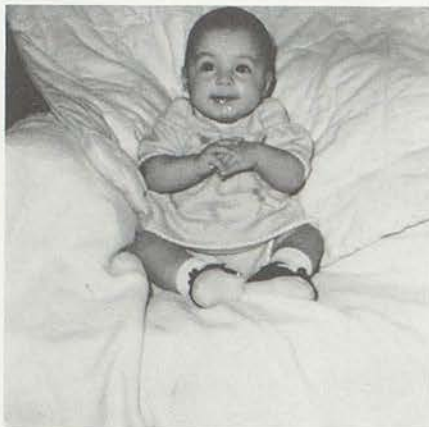
S-E-N-I-O-R-S, Seniors are the very best—The seniors gave it all they had at their last Homecoming pep rally on Wathena Mainstreet. photo by Nancy Reese.



Brent,
 Be the best that you can be in whatever you
 do, and you will always make us proud.
 May God be with you always.
 Love,
 Mom and Dad



Sheila Babe,
 People love flowers,
 Flowers love dew,
 Some may love others,
 But we love you.
 Love
 Dad and Mom



Janet,
 Congratulations and best wishes in all you
 do. Always ask for God's guidance and be
 patient and wait for his answer. We are very
 proud of you.
 Love,
 Mom and Dad



Heidi Lynn,
 "What you are is God's gift to you. What
 you become is your gift to God." Go for it!!
 Woof!!

Mom and Dad



Brandy,
 We're already proud of you and what you have accom-
 plished! We know you'll make us even prouder. There is a
 saying "you can't please everyone", but—if you are proud of
 yourself and what you do, that's all that counts. We love you,
 and will be here to help anytime you need us.

Love,
 Mom and Dad



Austin,
 Congratulations! We are very proud of you.
 We hope you'll always have lots of reasons to
 keep on smiling.

Love,
 Mom, Dad, and Jill



Jim,
 Good luck as you go out into this big world.
 May all of your dreams come true.

Love,
 Mom



1975-76 Kindergarten class: First row: Clay Cloud, Brandy Libel, Janna Boos, Deanne Studer, Leslie Cox, Sandy Ramseier, Brenda McVey, Timmy Chambers. Second row: Amy

McMullen, Darren Burns, Natalie Ruhnke, Joyce Jones, Shannon Guess, Angie Spainhower, Sheila Clark, Angie Blunt, Mrs. Coats.



First row: Amy Dittmore, Chrissy Wilson, Brian Davis, Heidi Engemann, Michelle Jones, Eddie Poirier. Second row: Chris Baker, Anginette McAdams, Amy Coursen, Janet Sharp, Lisa

Cluck, Brent Vertin, Mrs. Coats. Third row: Doug Bauman, Brenda Bauman Vacile Booth, Michelle Haupt, Tonya Juhl, Brad Drake.

Walk of Life

Mothers and fathers wonder how their little girls and boys have grown into young adults. They will soon be walking down the aisle at graduation, when 17 years ago, (which seems like yesterday to the parents) they were taking their first step. Soon they will begin the walk of life on to whatever they plan to do. Their parents wish them luck in their dedications.

Baby pictures were paid for by the parents.

SENIORS:

In a Class by Themselves.



The senior class of 1988: top to bottom: Lisa Cluck, Leslie Cox, Joanne McMullen, Rodney McVey, Chad Poirier, Michelle Haupt, Joyce Jones, Sandy Ramseier, Deanne Studer, Evalee Rolfsmeyer, Janna Boos, Angie Spainhower, Brenda McVey, Heidi Engemann, Tonya Juhl, Jimmy Tawzer, Brenda Bauman, Natalie Ruhnke, Janelle Steeby, Anginette McAdams, Ed Poirier, Katy Elder, Brandy Libel, Brent Vertin, Doug Bauman, Sheila Clark, Janet Sharp. Not pictured: A.J. Braithwait and Amy Dittmore.

BRENDA KAY BAUMAN

Basketball 1-4, Boy's Basketball Manager 2-4; Track 1-4; Math Club 2-4, Math Contest 2-4; Science Club 1-3; Spanish Club 4; Speech and Drama Club 2-4, Treasurer 4, Speech and Drama Contest 2,3, Regional Contest 2; FHA 1; W-Club 1-4; Pep Club 1-4, Vice President 3; Student Council 4, President 4; National Honor Society 2-4; Yearbook Staff 3,4, Student Life Editor 4; Band 1-4, Chorus 1-4, State Music Contest 1-3, Honors Band 3,4; All School Play 2, All School Musical 4; High Honor Roll 3, Honor Roll 1-4; Distinguished American High School Students 4; County Government Day, Clerk of the District Court 4; Girl's State Alternate 3; Presidential Classroom candidate 4; Page for the State House of Representatives 3, AMBITION: Physical Therapist.

DOUGLAS WILLIAM BAUMAN

Football 1-4; Track 1-4; Math Club 1,2,4, Secretary 4, Math Contest 3,4; Science Club 1-4, President 4, Science Contest 3; Speech and Drama Club 1-4, Speech and Drama Contest 1-4, State Contest 1,2; FFA 1-4, Horticulture Contest 4; W-Club 2-4; Student Council 1,2; Knowledge Bowl 2-4; Newspaper Staff 4; Band 1-4, Honors Band 3; All School Play 2, Best Actor, All School Musical 3, Best Supporting Actor, All School Musical 4; County Government Day, County Farm Agent 4; Boy's State 3; Football Homecoming Escort 4; Senior Class Choice, Best Sense of Humor and Most Class Spirit; AMBITION: Teaching/Coach.

MICHELLE LEE BELL

Math Club 2,3; Business Club 2-4; FHS 2,3, Treasurer 2, Vice President 3; FFA 1,2; Pep Club 1; Chorus 2; AMBITION: Business/Accounting.

JANNA LYNN BOOS

Volleyball 1-4, All League 3,4, All County Honorable Mention 3, All County 4; Basketball 1-4, All County Honorable Mention 3; Track 1-3; Cheerleader 2-4, Head Cheerleader 4; Math Club 2,4, Math Contest 2-4; Business Contest 3; Speech and Drama Club 2, Secretary 3,4, Speech and Drama Contest 2,3, Regional and State Contest 2; FHA 1; W-Club 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; National Honor Society 2-4, Secretary 4; Yearbook Staff 3,4, Photo Editor 4, KSPA Journalism Regional and State Contest 3; Band 1-4, Chorus 2,4, State Music Contest 1-3; Class Treasurer 3,4; All School Play 2, All School Musical 3,4; Honor Roll 1-4; Girl's State 3; Football Homecoming Candidate 4; Senior Choice, Best Athlete; AMBITION: Fashion Merchandising.

AUSTIN JAMES BRAITHWAIT

Football 2,4, All League 4, State Honorable Mention 4; Cross Country 1-4; Basketball 1,4, All League Honorable Mention 3; Track 1,2,4; Math Club 2,4, Vice President 4, Math Contest 2,4; Business Club 2,4, Vice President 4, Business Contest 3,4; Science Club 1,4, Vice President 4, Science Contest 3; Spanish Contest 3; Mr. FHA Candidate 1,3; W-Club 2,4; Student Council 2,4, Treasurer 2, Vice President 3; National Honor Society 2,4, Treasurer 3, President 4; Knowledge Bowl 2,3; Newspaper Staff 4; Class Vice President 1-4; High Honor Roll 3, Honor Roll 1-3; Emporia State Scholarship Contests, Honorable Mention in the State in Chemistry and 1st in County 3; County Government Day, County Sheriff 4; Presidential Classroom 4; Basketball Sweetheart Escort 3, Football Homecoming Escort 4; Senior Choice, Class Leader and Most Popular; AMBITION: Corporate Lawyer.

SHEILA ELAINE CLARK

Math Club 2,3; Business Club 2,4, Business Contest 4; Speech and Drama Club 3,4, Treasurer 3; FHA 1,2; Newspaper Staff 3, KSPA Journalism Regional and State Contest 3; Band 1,4, Chorus 2,4; Honor Roll 4, Honorable Mention 3; County Government Day, Zoning and Planning 4; AMBITION: Cosmetologist.

LISA SHANNON CLUCK

Volleyball Manager 1; Track Manager 3,4; Math Club 4, Math Contest 3; Business Club 4; FHA 1-3, Secretary 2; FFA Sweetheart Candidate 4; Chorus 1-4; County Government Day, Home Economist 4; AMBITION: Cosmologist.

LESLIE LOUISE COX

Volleyball Manager 1; Track 1-4, Track Manager 4; Math Club 2,4, Math Contest 3,4; Business Club 2,4; Science Club 1,3; FHA 1-3; Historian 1; Pep Club 1,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Chorus 2,4; Honor Roll 1-4; Distinguished American High School Students 4; Emporia State Scholarship Contest, 3rd in the State 1; County Government Day, County Clerk 4; Outstanding Student in Algebra II, Computers, Shorthand, and Sociology 3; Outstanding Student Nomination 3; AMBITION: Business.

AMY LOU DITTEMORE

Volleyball Manager 3; Basketball Manager 1-4; Math Club 4; Business Club 2-4; FHA 1; Pep Club 1-4, Treasurer 4; Chorus 1-3; Honor Roll 4; Senior Choice, Most Spirited; AMBITION: Undecided.

KATHERINE GRACE ELDER

Math Club 1,2; Business Club 1,2; Speech and Drama Club 2-4, President 3,4, Speech and Drama Contest 1,3, Regional Contest 2; FHA 1,3; Student Council 3,4; Knowledge Bowl 3,4; Yearbook Staff 3,4; Newspaper Staff 3,4, Editor 4; Band 1,2, Chorus 2,4, State Music Contest 1-3; All School Play 2, All School Musical 3,4; Honor Roll 1-4; County Government Day, Magistrate Judge 4; Girl's State Alternate 3; Presidential Classroom 4; Senior Choice, Best Sense of Humor; AMBITION: Journalism/Advertising.

HEIDI LYNN ENGEMANN

Volleyball 1-4; Basketball 1; Math Club 2-4, Math Contest 2,4; Science Club 1-4, Treasurer 3, Secretary 4, Science Contest 3,4; Speech and Drama Club 2-4, Secretary 3, Speech and Drama Contest 2; W-Club 3,4; Pep Club 1,4, Secretary/Treasurer 3, President 4; Student Council 3,4, Treasurer 4, Vice President 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Knowledge Bowl 2-4, Co-Captain 3,4; Band 1,4, Chorus 1-4, State Music Contest 1-3, Honors Band 2; All School Play 2, All School Musical 3,4; High Honor Roll 2,4, Honor Roll 1; County Government Day, County Commissioner 4; Girl's State 3; Senior Choice, Most likely to succeed; AMBITION: Chemical Engineering.

MICHELLE RENEE HAUPT

Volleyball 1-4, All County Honorable Mention 4; Basketball 1-4; Track 1,2,4, Track Manager 3; Cheerleader 2-4; Math Club 2,4, Secretary 2, Treasurer 4, Math Contest 2-4; Business Club 2,4, Business Contest 3,4; Science Club 1,2; Spanish Club 4; FHA 1; W-Club 1,4; Pep Club 1-4; Student Council 4; National Honor Society 2,4, Vice President 4; Yearbook Staff 3,4, Sports Editor 4; Band 1-4, Chorus 2,4, State Music Contest 1-3, Honors Band 3,4; Class Secretary 2,4; All School Musical 4; High Honor Roll 2,3, Honor Roll 1-4; Distinguished American High School Students 4; Emporia State Scholarship Contest, Honorable Mention in the State in English 1; County Government Day, County Attorney; Presidential Classroom 4; Football Homecoming Candidate 4; Page for the State House of Representatives; AMBITION: Corporate Lawyer.

BRENDA JEAN HORNER

Business Club 3; FHA 3; Newspaper Staff 3; Chorus 3; AMBITION: Journalist.

JOYCE MARIE JONES

Cross Country 1,2; Basketball 1-4; Track 1-3; Math Club 2,4, Math Contest 2-4; Spanish Club 4; Spanish Contest 3; FHA 1; W-Club 1,2; Student Council 1-4; National Honor Society 2,4; Knowledge Bowl 1; Band 1-4; Chorus 1,2; Class President 1-4; All School Musical 4; Honor Roll 1-4; Presidential Classroom 4; Senior Choice, Class Leader and Friendliest; AMBITION: Medicine.

TONYA RAYE JUHL

Football Manager 3; Business Club 2-4; Science Club 2,3; Speech and Drama Club 3,4, Speech and Drama Contest 3,4; FHA 1; FFA 2; Newspaper Staff 3; Chorus 2,4; AMBITION: Law enforcement.

BRANDON ANDREW LIBEL

Football 2,4, All League 4; Cross Country 2,3; Basketball 1-4; Track 1; Math Club 2,4, Math Contest 2,4; Business Club 2,4, Vice President 3, Business Contest 2,4; Science Club 1,3; W-Club 2,4; Yearbook Staff 4; Business Manager 4; All School Musical 4; Honor Roll 1,4; Who's Who Among American High School Students 4; County Government Day, County Appraiser 4; Boy's State 3; Presidential Classroom 4; Basketball Sweetheart Escort 4; Senior Choice, Best Dressed; AMBITION: Business/Accounting.

ANGINETTE RENEE McADAMS

FHA 1-3; Pep Club 1,2; Band 1-4, Chorus 3,4; AMBITION: Undecided.

JOANNE McMULLEN

Math Club 2,3, Math Contest 3; Business Club 2,4, Business Contest 3,4; Pep Club 2; Chorus 1,2; High Honor Roll 3,4; Outstanding Student in Accounting and Shorthand; County Government Day, County Treasurer; Senior Choice, Cutest Couple; AMBITION: Certified Public Accountant.

BRENDA JO McVEY

Volleyball 1; Basketball 1-4; Track 1,2,4, Track Manager 3; Math Club 2,3; Business Club 2,4, Treasurer; Speech and Drama Club 4; FHA 1; W-Club 1,4; Band 1,4, Chorus 2,4; Honor Roll Honorable Mention 3; County Government Day, County Commissioner 4; Football Homecoming Queen 4; Senior Choice, Most Popular; AMBITION: Social Worker/College.

RODNEY EUGENE McVEY

Football 1-4; Cross Country 1,2; Basketball 1-4; Track 1,2, State Track 1; FHA 1; FFA 1-4; W-Club 1-4; Band 1,2, Chorus 1,2; Basketball Sweetheart Escort 3,4; Senior Choice, Class Athlete; AMBITION: Vo-Tech School.

CHAD ANTHONY POIRIER

Football Manager 1; Track 1,3; Math Club 2; Science Club 1-4; FFA 1,2,4; Newspaper Staff 3; Band 1; AMBITION: Vo-Tech School.

EDWARD LAMONTE POIRIER III

Cross Country 1,2; Basketball 1-4; Track 1,2; Science Club 3; Speech and Drama Club 2-4; Mr. FHA Candidate 1-3; FFA 1-3; Chorus 1,2; All School Play 3, All School Musical 4; County Government Day, County Commissioner 4; Basketball Sweetheart Escort 4; Senior Choice, Best Looking and Friendliest; AMBITION: Undecided.

SANDRA KAY RAMSEIER

Science Club 3; FHA 1-3; FFA 4, Reporter 4, 3rd place in Horticulture Contest 4; Pep Club 1; Yearbook Staff 3, Photographer 3; Newspaper Staff 3; Chorus 2,4; Honor Roll 1,2,4, Honorable Mention 3; AMBITION: Own my own business.

EVALEE MARGARET ROLFSMEYER

Math Contest 2,3; Chorus 1; High Honor Roll 1-3; Honor Roll 4; AMBITION: Missionary Work/Construction.

NATALIE SUE RUHNKE

Basketball Manager 1; Science Club 4; FHA 1; Pep Club 1,2; Newspaper Staff 3,4; Band 1-4, Chorus 1,2,4, State Music Contest 3; AMBITION: Travel Agent.

JANET LORENE SHARP

Basketball 1-4; Track 1-4; Math Club 2; Business Club 2,4, President 4, Business Contest 1,2; Science Club 2; FHA 1; W-Club 2,4; Pep Club 1,2; Student Council 4; Band 1-4, Outstanding Band Member 3, Chorus 3, Honors Band 2,3; High Honor Roll 1-3; Emporia State Scholarship Contest, Speed Typing—State Runner Up and Production Typing—State Runner-Up; County Government Day, Home Health Nurse 4; AMBITION: Undecided.

ANGELA SUE SPAINHOWER

Volleyball 3; Cross Country 1,2; Basketball 1; Track 1; Business Club 1-4, Secretary 4; Science Club 1,2; W-Club 2; Pep Club 1; Yearbook Staff 3,4, Editor 4; Newspaper Staff 3; Band 1-4, Chorus 3, Honors Band 3; County Government Day, County Commissioner; Senior Choice, Best Dressed; AMBITION: Dental Assistant.

JANELLE MARIE STEEBY

Cross Country 1,3,4, State Cross Country 4; Track 1-4; Business Club 4; Speech and Drama Club 3; W-Club 3,4; Chorus 1-4, Regional and State Contest 3; All School Musical 4; County Government Day, Register of Deeds; AMBITION: Coach/Singer

DEANNE RENEE STUDER

Science Club 2; FHA 1-3, Historian 2; FFA 4, Treasurer 4, 3rd place in Horticulture Contest 4; Pep Club 1,2; Yearbook Staff 3,4, Staff Artist 3,4; Newspaper Staff 3,4; Chorus 2,4; Honor Roll 1,2, Honorable Mention 3, County Government Day, County Treasurer; Senior Choice, Best Looking; AMBITION: Graphics Design.

JAMES DEAN TAWZER

Cross Country 1,2, Cross Country Manager 4; Basketball 1; Track 1-4; FHA 2; FFA 3,4; AMBITION: Truck Driver

BRENT STEPHEN VERTIN

Football 1-4; Basketball 1-4; Track 1,2; Math Club 2-4, President 4, Math Contest 2-4; Business Club 2-4; Science Club 4, Science Contest 3; Spanish Club 4; FFA 1,2; W-Club 2,4; Student Council 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Chorus 3; Honor Roll 1-4; County Government Day, County Engineer 4; Boy's State 3; Football Homecoming Escort 4; Senior Choice, Most Likely to Succeed and Cutest Couple; AMBITION: Aeronautical Engineer.

JUNIORS

Barton, Guy
Baskins, Angie
Caton, Brad
Clary, Rhonda



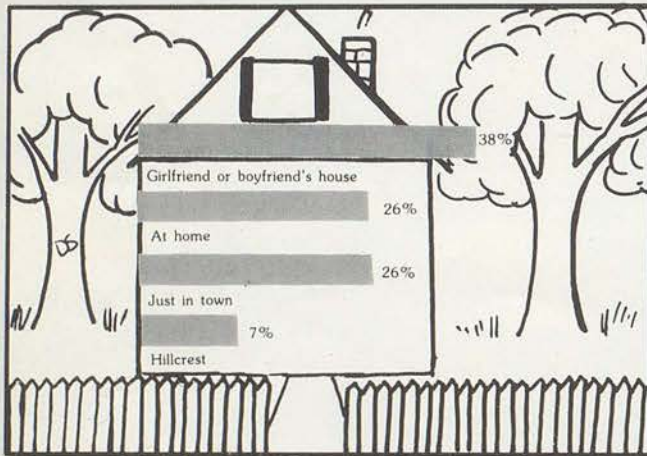
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Jones, George
Jones, Michelle



Koehler, Lesley
Krousa, Leann
Long, Michael
McVey, Jenny



The junior class was polled to find out what their favorite place to hang-out was. The results are below:



Class Officers—Leann Krousa, president; Nicki Simpson, vice-president; George Jones, secretary; and Angie Baskins, treasurer. photo by Janna Boos

Front row—Traci VanWey, Paige Studer, Sue Remmers, Shelly Weaks, Jenny McVey, Sarah Groh, Mary Beth Schmillie, Reggie McVey, Rhonda Clary, Brian Walker, Annette Weishaar, Todd Michaels. **Middle row**—Angie Baskins, Brad Caton, Lesley Koehler, Jim Simerly, Bret Robinson, Angie Shellenberger, Wally Snodgrass, Mike Long, Tina Thomas, Billie Jo Steeby, Michelle Jones. **Back row**—Leann Krousa, Nicki Simpson, Israel Elder, Chris Witt, Guy Barton.





McVey, Regina
Michaels, Todd
Remmers, Susan
Robison, Bret



Schmille, Mary Beth
Shellenberger, Angie
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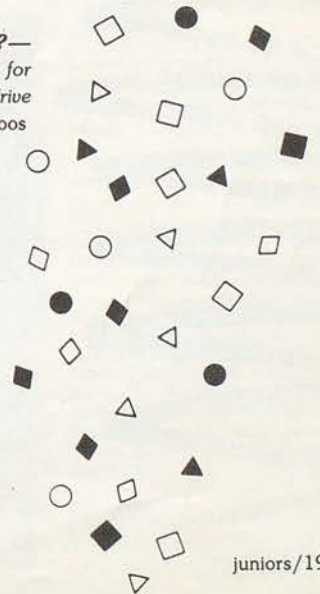
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Weishaar, Annette



Whitten, Jay
Witt, Chris



What are you looking at ugly?—
Shelly Weeks yells at the cameraman for taking her picture during the food drive for Thanksgiving. photo by Janna Boos



SOPHOMORES

*Bauman, Lisa
Bauman, Richard
Bauman, Terry
Bell, Regenna*



*Berger, Edward
Boos, Nan
Campbell, Landon
Colhour, Michael*



*Cox, Lisa
Davis, Angelia
Force, Tony
Hartman, Jason*



*Hayes, Craig
Hawkins, Jerry
Jackson, Michelle
Jones, Sandy*



*Koelliker, Rick
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McCoy, Chad



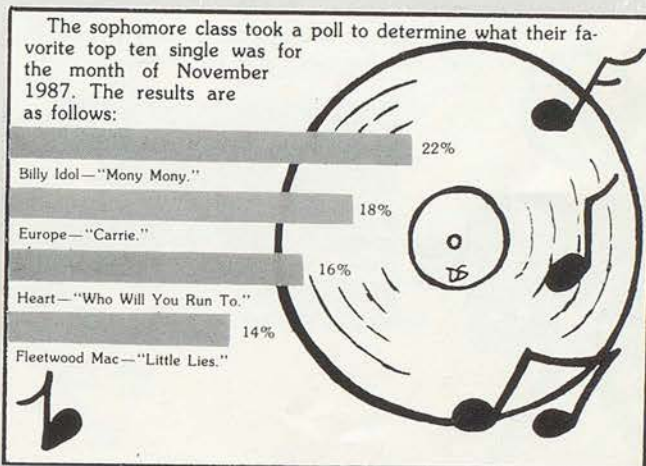
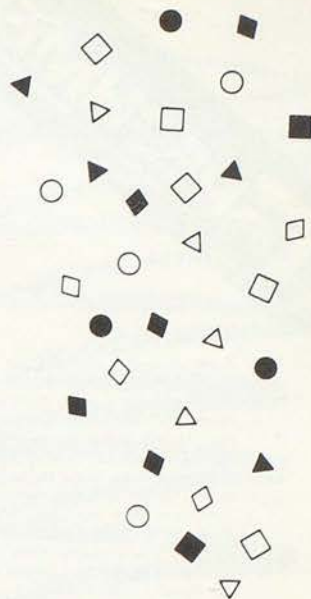
No, I'm serious—Vickie Tafoya tries to convince Nicki Masters that she really knows a gorgeous guy she wants to fix her up with. photo by Nicki Simpson



Merritt, Sheila
Morris, Christel
Newcomb, Angela
Orcutt, Jamie

Perry, Kris
Ptomey, Bryan
Tajoya, Vickie
Simpson, Kenneth

Tucker, Joe
Webb, Anna
Wyatt, Jo
Wyatt, Kay



Class officers—Lisa Bauman, president; Christel Morris, vice-president; Jo Wyatt, secretary; and Kay Wyatt, treasurer.

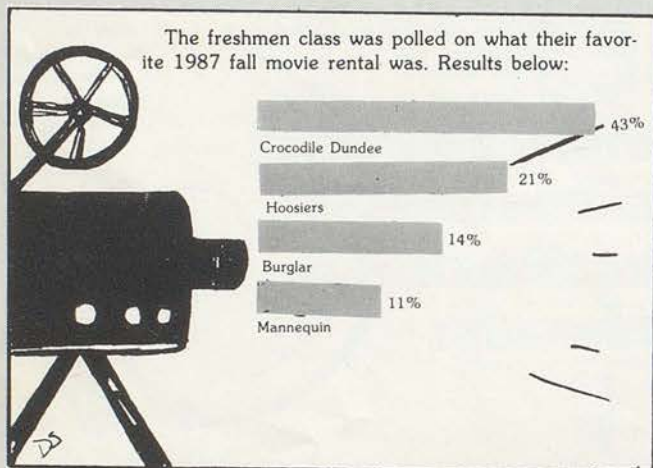
First row—Tony Force, Jerry Hawkins, Jay Hartman. **Second row**—Craig Hayes, Chad McCoy, Andrea Lehman, Jo Wyatt, Christel Morris, Lana Schultz, Kris Perry, Vickie Tajoya, Nicki Masters, Sandy Jones, Jamie Orcutt, Lisa Bauman. **Third row**—Anna Webb, Lisa Cox, Sheila Merrit, Rogenna Bell, Angela Davis, Kay Wyatt, Edward Berger, Nan Boos, Michael Colhour. **Fourth row**—Kenny Simpson, Joe Tucker, Rick Koelliker, Michelle Jackson, Angela Newton, Ricky Bauman, Terry Bauman, Bryan Ptomey, Landon Campbell, Jason Laipple.

FRESHMEN



Front row—Eva Schmile, Lisa Geeting, Angela Theis, Mike Bell, Kiley Rice, Nicole Haupt, Josh Elder, Jenifer McAdams, Brett Miller, Mitzi Juhl, Peggy Weishaar. **Middle row**—Michelle Beattie, Crisha Orcutt, Katherine Bauman, Paula Weishaar, Duston Hanson, Tanya Drake, Kenya McCrory, Damon Hanson, Billy Walts, Kurt Engemann, Rex Rolfsmeyer. **Back row**—Jason Christman, Stanley Potter, Chris Kucan, Terry Hartley, Tim Witt, Jeremy Murphy, Chris Groh, Brian Fansher, Sharon Davis, Robbin Hartman, Joe Ramseier, Gary DeVault, Dave Steeby, Stephen Rolfsmeyer.

Class officers—Jenifer McAdams, president; Tanya Drake, vice-president; Kiley Rice, secretary; and David Steeby, treasurer. photo by Janna Boos



Bauman, Katherine Beattie, Michelle Bell, Mike Christman, Jason Davis, Sharon

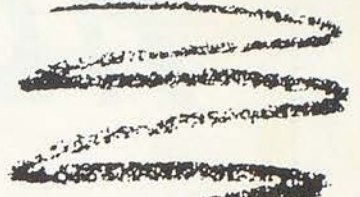


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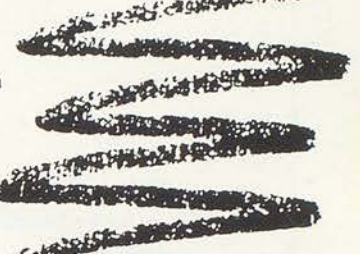




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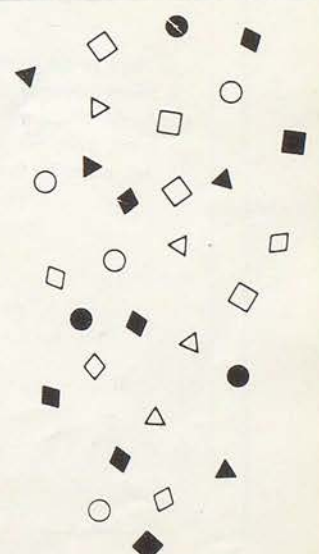
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Schmile, Eva
Steeby, Dave
Theis, Angela



Walts, Billy
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ACTIVITIES

It's been a good year for activities because the students have put a lot of work into them.—
Heidi Engemann



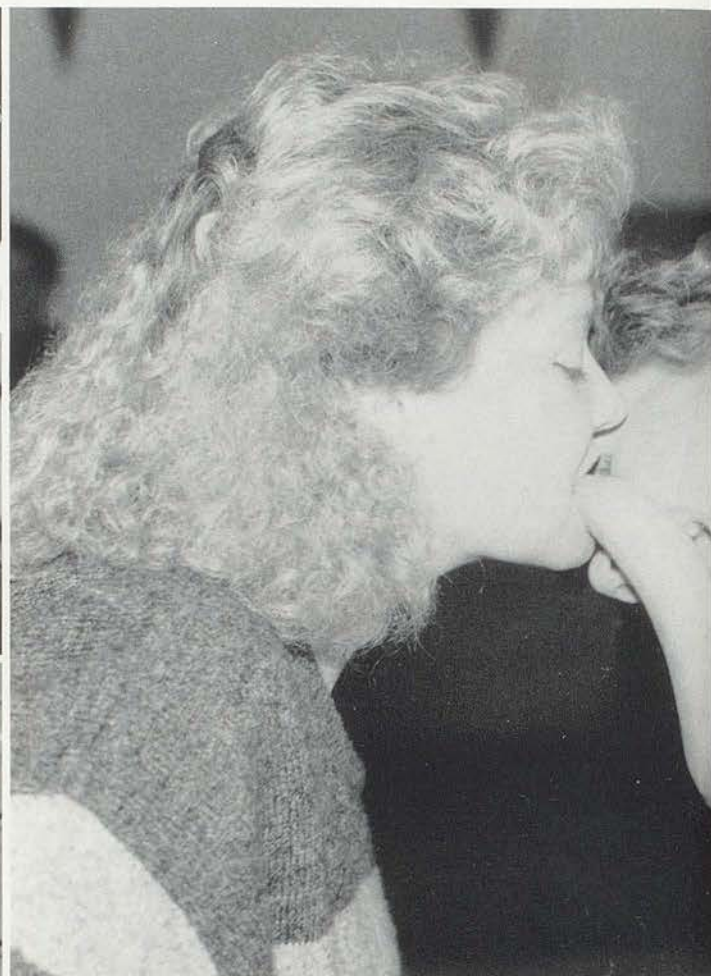
I'll huff and I'll puff—Sheila Clark puts her all into blowing up balloons for the football homecoming. photo by Janna Boos



Activities give a lot of people who can't get out very much a chance to have some fun.—Kay Wyatt



Time to go to the powder room—Natalie Ruhnke and Angie Shellenburger take a break from the prom festivities. photo by Bray



They (activities) are great learning experiences for students both socially and mentally.—
Kiley Rice

When will this be over?—Wathena graduates accept congratulations from friends and families. photo by Bray

Taste Testing? Reggie McVey passes a banana to Sue Remmers as part of a pep assembly skit during football season. photo by Nancy Reese



Spirit + Teamwork = **WILD** Pride

With all of the studying, practicing, and hard work that comes along with school, we all need some excitement and relaxation from the tension. This is where our activities come in. Whether you laugh it up at the all-school play or kick up your heels at one of the homecomings you are sure to have a great time.

"Working on activities gives

people a chance to work together," said Jason Hartman, sophomore, "We learn much about cooperation, dedication, and determination."

"When everybody works together on something it gives you a feeling of pride," said Nicki Simpson, junior, "Also it gives you a chance to get to know the other students."

by Angela Spainhower



We have done many positive activities this year. I hope the future classes will continue to maintain the involvement and enthusiasm.—Miss Reese

Do you mind if I lean on your shoulder, Rod?—George Jones, Joyce Jones, and Rodney McVey anxiously await to see who will become Queen of Courts. photo by Bray

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The terrific trio—Queen Brenda McVey and her attendants Michelle Haupt and Janna Boos watch the rest of the football game from their royal seats. photo by Bray

Let's get fired up—We are fired up! The spirit soars as the WHS students prepare for the upcoming Homecoming game. photo by Mike Boos



Wildcats take the Rams by Storm

Football Homecoming '87 was a huge success with the Cats "Wiping out the Rams" as the end of the week finale.

The parade downtown grew to twelve floats this year. The senior float won with "Flush the Rams", the juniors came in second with "Ramwich Night", the sophomores came in third with "Eat 'Em up and Spit 'Em Out", the freshman decided to "Knock out the Rams." The Science Club "Washed out the Rams", Business Club "Cruised for a Wildcat Victory", and the Booster Club decorated a truck. There were two new floats including the cross country runners and the flag girls. There was also the usual candidates, cheerleaders, and band floats.

Spirit days for this year's football homecoming were; Dallas vs. Dynasty day, 50's day, inside-out day, beach bum day and the usual color day.

It was very cold outside and the candidates were all shivering waiting for the festivities to begin. Queen candidates and their escorts were; Janna Boos and Brent Vertin, Michelle Haupt and Doug Bauman, and Brenda McVey and A.J. Braithwait. The flower girl was Heather Frump and the crown bearer was Aaron Schuster. And the 1987 Homecoming Queen was . . . Miss Brenda McVey!

"I was so excited and nervous, but I was really happy when they said my name," Brenda McVey said.

The Wildcats played the Pleasant Ridge Rams, and the score was 22-6 with the Wildcats having their second win of the season. This is the first homecoming football game in four years that the Wildcats have won.

"Zap" provided the music at the dance which lasted from 10-1.
by Brenda Bauman



Are we having fun yet?—The crowd waits for the pep rally to begin as the band finishes playing "On Wathena". photo by Bray

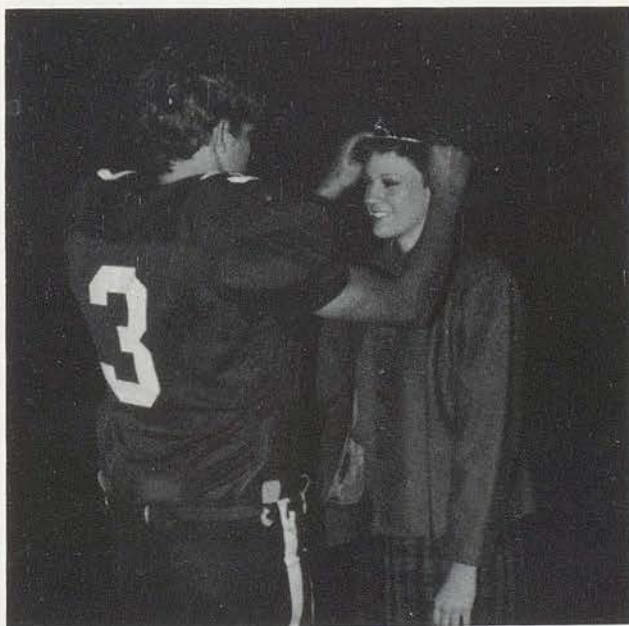
So this is the football team?—The football boys rode downtown on the back of a flat bed and later that night drove over the opposing Rams to win the game. photo by Bray



Hot Rockin' Pep Band—The clarinets clap out a rhythm during their rest in "Rockin' Robin" on their trip downtown for the pep rally. photo by Bray

"I was so excited and nervous, but I was really happy when they said my name, and all I remember is Sheila crying."

—Brenda McVey, homecoming queen



Brenda why did you use so much hair spray?—A.J. Braithwait crowns Brenda McVey, Homecoming queen, during the 1987 homecoming ceremonies. photo by Bray



Behold, her majesty, Queen Brenda—Pictured are Mike Boos, Janna Boos, Brent Vertin, Clinton McVey, Brenda McVey, A.J. Braithwait, John Haupt, Michelle Haupt, Doug Bauman, Heather Frump, flower girl, and Aaron Shuster, crown bearer. photo by Bray

Words to live by



The students at Wathena High School have come up with some wild and zany new sayings.

During the past year an explosion of new words and sayings have been spouted forth from the lips of young people across the nation. Since all of us at Wathena High are never to be left out . . . we be jammin'!

Now students get a chance to be in the spot light with their new words and catch phrases.

"Get a life" took first place as our students slang phrase, in a high school survey, but no one particular saying really dominated the rest. Each student is different and has their own personal favorite.

Everyone's getting away from the basic and boring, and these new words are definitely not ordinary.

They turn everyday words into phrases with a bit of pizzazz.

So remember in the struggle of everyday life when your searching for just the right phrase, think of the immortal words of Mr. Deaton: "Take no prisoners!"

Weird-O-Ramma
Janna Boos

Intelligence level—zero
Israel Elder

What are you, a freshman?
Brent Vertin

Yo baby!
Kris Perry

Be for real!
Lisa Bauman

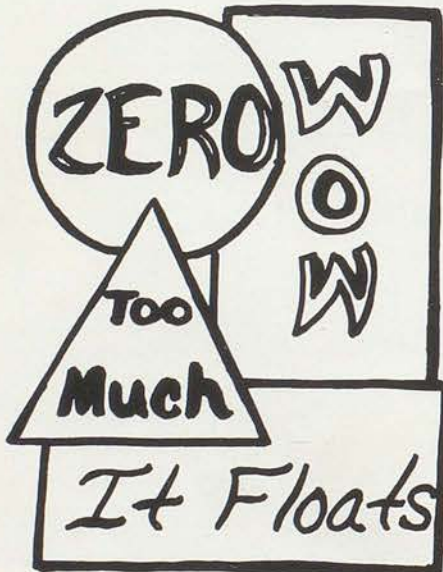
Gnarly dude.
Mike Long

Always do your best.
Mr. Sandy

Woof!
Ms. Sollars

Seriously.
Jason Laipple

Psych!
Craig Hayes



We be jammin'—Sarah Groh, Mary Beth Schmille, and Eva Schmille rap about cool dudes. photo by Janna Boos

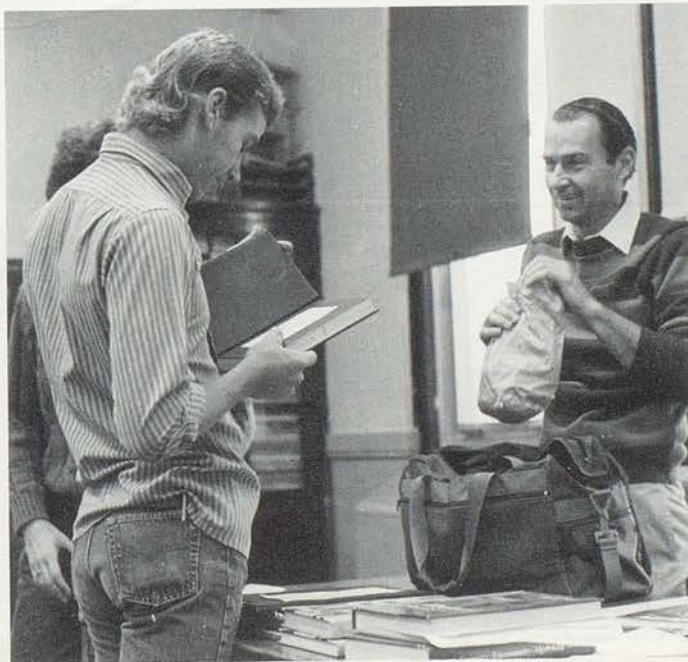
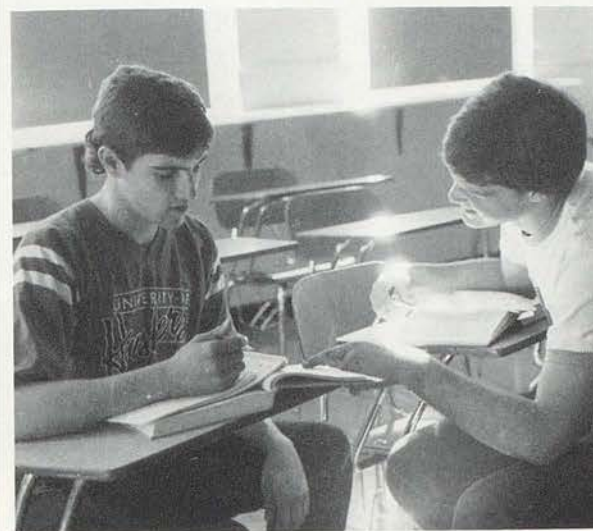




Hey man, oh hey guy!—Guy Barton and Peggy Weishaar discuss the weather. photo by Nicki Simpson.

Say cheese!—Brice Libel and Joyce Jones clown around at a football game. photo by Nicki Simpson.

Have you ever seen one of those?—Brent Vertin and A.J. Braithwait seem to be looking at something quite interesting. photo by Nicki Simpson.



Oh, but Saxon said . . .—Brandy Libel and Mr. Sandy speak of higher learning. photo by Janna Boos.

"Our lips are going to fall off!"—Queen Deanne Studer and her court Joyce Jones and Janna Boos try to smile one more time. The ringbearer was Jonathan Bauman and flowergirl was Tashia Snodgrass. photo by Bray.

"Wait, we're not ready!"—Janna Boos, Deanne Studer, and Joyce Jones get caught in the locker room trying to beautify themselves before coronation. photo by Bray.



Homecoming in Troy!?

Just another Sweetheart Homecoming? That definitely wasn't the case this year for Wathena High. Friday, the day of Homecoming, brought about a strange twist of events that shocked everyone.

Disaster struck. On Friday morning, the water pipes above the gym ceiling burst causing water to saturate the floor. A basketball game at Wathena was impossible, so some quick negotiating was done with a neighboring school. Homecoming was going to be held at the arch rival's court—in TROY. No one could believe it, and no one wanted to either. The entire day rushed by in a blur as students and faculty made some fast changes to prepare for the night ahead.

"Everything was so hectic, we had rush all our things up to Troy for our Homecoming," Jenifer McAdams said.

Despite the confusing day, everything turned out well. Deanne Studer was crowned queen by Eddie Poirier during half-time of the varsity boy's game. Her attendants were Janna Boos and Joyce Jones and their escorts Brandy Libel and Rodney McVey.

"I was disappointed at first because we had worked so hard to get everything to look nice here, but it turned out fine," Nicholle Haupt said.

Although the Wildcat Homecoming was held at the 'villian's' basketball court, all went well. The varsity boys cinched a 64-59 victory over Jefferson County North. This will be one "wild" time the students at WHS will definitely remember.

by Michelle Haupt




Spirit of '88'—Seniors Doug Bauman and A.J. Braithwait showed just how much spirit the seniors had by painting huge banners to hang over the front of the school. photo by Janna Boos.



Joyce, of course you have to kiss him if you win—Joyce Jones, Janna Boos, try to figure out what to do during coronation. photo by Bray.

“I jumped back about two feet. I was surprised and happy all at once.”

—Deanne Studer




Raise your hands and stomp your feet—Wathena Wildcats can't be beat. The 'Cat fans show their spirit as the varsity boys beat JCN for their Homecoming game at Troy. photo by Bray.



The royal homecoming court—The homecoming party poses for a picture minutes after the coronation ceremonies. The theme for homecoming was “Time of My Life.” photo by Bray.

Our home town

"I cannot forget from where it is I come from

I cannot forget the people who love me

I can be myself, ya in this small town

and people let me be just what I want to be"

John Cougar Mellencamp—Scarecrow

John Cougar, a small town boy himself, worked his way to stardom, but he always has time to remember and appreciate his small town.

The small town, fastly fading, while nearby, industries expand to drown out the peaceful farming life. Living

in a small town can be wonderful, and people working together keeping the town alive. There is a sign as you enter Wathena that boasts, "This is Wathena full of good schools, churches and people."

Wathena is a town of good people, it's not a town of hicks, but a community thriving with open-minded people eager to see what the future has to offer.

"We're a close-knit community, we are always ready to aid each other in a crisis" Tara Deaton said.

It's true! If walking down main street in Wathena everyone is bound

to meet someone they know, and it's a lot safer than living in a big town.

"The chances of getting mugged are much less than living in a big town, and a grocery store is never too far away," Rex Rolfsmeyer said.

"Your cars hardly ever get vandalized and there's not a big chance of getting raped," Sheila Clark said.

When growing up in a small town, people learn to love you for who you are and when it's time to leave the nest they are always there to back you up, cheering for the person you can be.



Chowin' down—Bob and Matt Woodruff show home town pride at the homecoming hog roast. photo by Nicki Simpson

The sign says it all—The sign says it all—Yes, it is a grrreat place to live. photo by Janna Boos



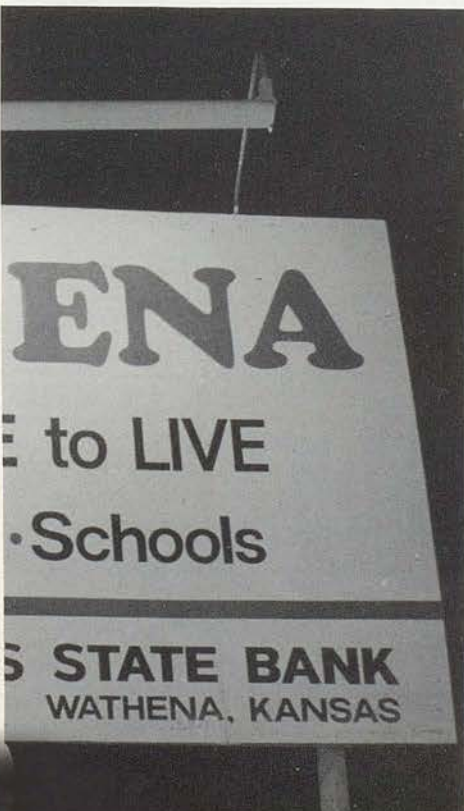


Okay girls just one more time, ma-may-me-moe-moo—Tonya Juhl, Sandy Ramseier and Deanne Studer warm up in chorus. photo by Nicki Simpson

Show me yours and I'll show you mine—Brandy Libel, Joyce Jones and A.J. Braithwait share the Christmas spirit. photo by Janna Boos



Chow down at the OK corral—Jim Simerly and his assorted buddies inhale a spaghetti and meatball lunch. photo by Janna Boos



'Cause I'm the Duke of Earl, oo boppa, oo boppa—Joshua Elder and Jay Hartman practice for the fall concert. photo by Janna Boos

Jr.-Sr. Prom 88'

Ol' Macdonald had a prom



It was definitely a case of mistaken identity. In this case, it became judging a book by its cover or a prom location by its name!

But when it was all said and done, and the hard work done by the juniors began to show through in every balloon and place setting, the prom was a hit.

The prom theme was 'Hold on to the night' by Richard Marx. The colors for the evening were purple and silver. The prom pictures were taken beneath an archway of balloons before and after dinner. The buffet-style dinner consisted of barbequed brisket, ham, cole slaw, baked beans, scalloped potatoes, and rolls. And then, at 8:30, the band, Swift Kik, began to play.

"I never thought it would turn out very good because of the area it was in," said Lisa Cluck, senior, "but after I got there and started dancing, I began to really enjoy it."

"I thought it was great how most of the seniors came in and said 'Hey, this place is really pretty nice,'" said Todd Michaels, junior, "It made me feel good, like all of our hard work payed off." by Angela Spainhower



Sitting pretty—Janelle Weber and Lisa Cluck allow their food to digest before a wild evening of dancing. photo by Bray

And on the cool side of the room—George Jones, Todd Michaels, Mike Long, Guy Barton and Brent Vertin kick back and loosen their ties for a moment. Photo by Bray



Man, are we beat!—Leslie Cox and Cliff Miller take a badly needed break from the evening's festivities. photo by Bray



Now what are these suspicious looking guys up to?—Rodney McVey and Jay Whitten look as though they are discussing plans for after prom. photo by Bray



Hey Tara! Now where did she go?—Brent Vertin seems to be searching for his date in between dances. photo by Bray



But Chad, I can't. Besides what will Norman say?!—Katy Elder and Chad McCoy clown around on the dance floor. photo by Bray



Hey, it's Ms. Shaw, OOPS! I mean Mrs. Clark!—The newly married Mr. and Mrs. Steve Clark dance the night away to the sounds of Swift Kik. photo by Bray

The class of 1988 show the faces of—

Fears, Tears

Graduation 1988, cheers and tears of joy were released as the graduating class marched out of the gym packed with friends, relatives and well wishers.

Each received a diploma but only a few received the prestigious awards given by various organizations.

Kansas State High School Activity Association Award—Brenda Bauman and A.J. Braithwait

Legion Medallion—Runner up—Michelle Haupt and Brent Vertin Winner—Joyce Jones, A.J. Braithwait

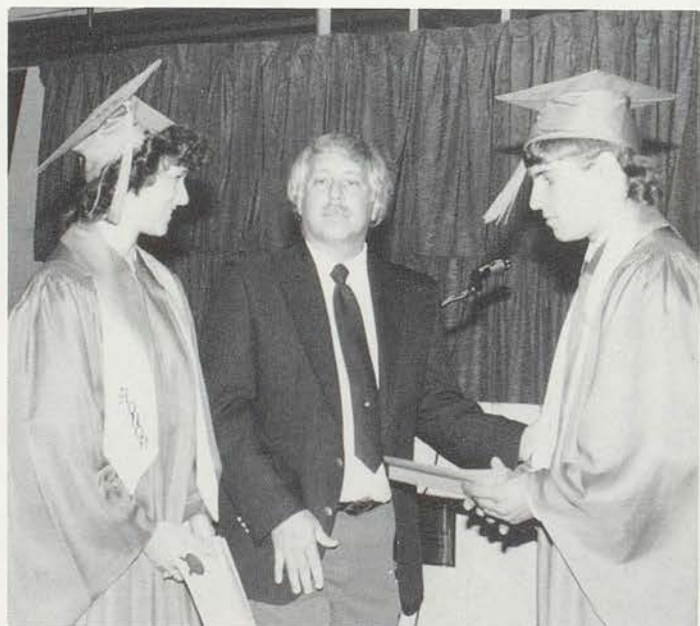
Masonic Award—Janna Boos and Brandy Libel.



The graduating class of 1988 waits patiently for Reverend Ray Bell to finish telling about how he wished he could tell a good story.

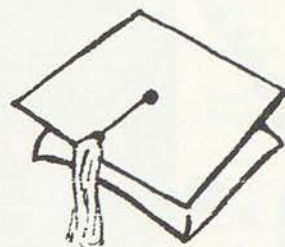


"It was a sad but joyful moment." Brandy Libel



"I expected it to be a more emotional time for me, but I know I'll keep in touch with my close friends, so it wasn't" Brenda Bauman

and Cheers



"I was sad, but I just wanted to get out of the gym." Leslie Cox



"I felt sad leaving all my friends, but relieved that I didn't have to go back to school" Brenda McVey




"I was sad knowing I was leaving, but there was the excitement of starting out in our new lives." Heidi Engemann



Oh what a relief it is,—after four long years of sweat and worry the Ed Poirier can finally relax. photo by Bray



Congratulations Amy,—Keith Bauman presents Amy Dittmore with her diploma. photo by Bray



Swamps

and knights set the stage



Every person has their own picture of home: a large white farm house, a condo in Miami, or a nice, warm swamp. A green and gold swamp.

Put the swamp together with a lonely prince, an overbearing queen, and an obnoxious princess, and you've got the prize-winning musical "Once Upon a Mattress".

The "real" story of the princess and the pea was successfully performed on two nights by a cast of 24.

Arlene Sollars directed the play, and Kathleen Schmidt directed the vocal and instrumental music. Geary Engemann built the set, which was designed by MWSC theatre major, Gregg Mrkvicka.

Sollars says that she was not particularly nervous on

opening night.

"Every opening night is the same for me. I pray a lot and mentally will every line and cue to be in the right place," she said.

"Mattress" was different than the last two plays at

nior said.

Long rehearsals and a painting sessions kept the cast busy, but the end results were worth the small sacrifice of lost sleep.

"It was so much fun until I almost crashed into the

**"I'll never forget that one line that Edward Berger always forgot—
"Hey nonny, nonny, nonny NO!" Lisa Geeting.**



WHS. It involved a much larger cast and very elaborate 16th century costumes.

"The costumes were embarrassing at first, but then we all got used to wearing tights," Wally Snodgrass, ju-

scenery when Doug chased me across stage," Shelly Weaks, junior said.

"Now remember Kurt, it's do your duty sire, not do your dirty,"—Gary DeVault, Kurt Engemann, and Wally Snodgrass discuss the lines that they frequently flub before the first performance of the play. photo by Angie Baskins



first row—Gary DeVault, Janelle Weber, Heidi Engemann, George Jones, Michelle Jackson, Wally Snodgrass. second row—Joyce Jones, Brenda Bauman, Michelle Haupt, Doug Bauman, Janna Boos, Duston Hansen, Katy Elder, Sarah Groh, Ed Berger, Leann Krousa. third row—Angie Baskins, Regenna Bell, Lisa Geeting, Brandy Libel, Lesley Koehler, Kurt Engemann, Joshua Elder, Shelly Weeks, Katy Elder, Jay Hartman. photo by Bray



Hey, I think I see Superman up there in the balcony— Heidi Engemann rehearses her role as "Fred", the obnoxious princess who wins the heart of Dauntless (George Jones). photo by Janna Boos



Jay has this huge run in his tights, and he wants to use MY nail polish—Katy Elder laughs as Jay Hartman asks for advice about his tights. Elder played Lady Larken in the Saturday performance, and Hartman was Sir Harry. photo by Angie Baskins

SPORTS

"I enjoy the flying claws, jabbing elbows, and whispered obscenities experienced during the course of a girls' basketball game."

—Janet Sharp



Gotcha!—Doug Bauman holds on with all he's got during a football game against the Pleasant Ridge Rams. photo by Bray.



"I had a lot of fun helping some people put shampoo in Brian Ptomey's shoes one day after cross country practice."—Brad Caton



The hills are alive with . . . — Mr. Sandy clears his nasal passages during a cross country meet at Norton. photo by Nicki Simpson



"I got a little embarrassed this year when only one of my five or six serves made it over the net during one of our junior varsity volleyball games."—Angela Theis

O.K. here's the plan—Miss Reese talks to her players during a J.V. volleyball game against the Valley Falls Dragons. Photo by Janna Boos

Come on team, let's show our stuff!—Nicholle Haupt, Brenda Bauman, and Joyce Jones cheer on the Wildcats at an away game during the basketball season. photo by Janna Boos



The *WILD* World of Sports

24,16,32, Hut! . . . The echoing cheers of the enthusiastic pep club in our school gymnasium . . . The clicking of cleats on the hard surface of the track.

These are just a few of the sounds a person might hear while attending one of Wathena High School's sports events. Even though our school is not a large one, we still have the intensity and the competitiveness of a large school. But, to go along with this seriousness is a lighter and 'WILDER' side placed within each athlete.

"Sports are . . . well, they

are Wild!" exclaims Lisa Bauman, sophomore, "I mean opponents can be very violent one minute and all of a sudden they are polite. For instance, someone may help you up and then they will probably turn around and knock you down again."

"The lockerroom horseplay is one of my favorite parts of participating in sports." comments Brent Vertin, senior, "Everyone lets loose in the lockerroom after a practice or a game. The practical joker really seems to come out of all the players. It can really get crazy!"

By Angela Spainhower



"I think being flashed by a young lady during a pre-season football practice was a bizarre experience."—Coach Deaton

Alright, I'll let them get a little closer—Wally Snodgrass prepares to throw a pass during the homecoming game against Pleasant Ridge. photo by Bray

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CHANGES...

by: Michelle Haupt

The Wildcat football team began their '87 season with seven returning lettermen, who were all hoping for a no loss season. They didn't quite achieve their goal, but the final results were nothing to laugh at. The 'Cats ended their season with a respectable 4-5 overall record.

An important change on the football team this year was new head coach, Don Deaton.

"I thought we would surprise people, and we did!" Coach Deaton said.

Surprises came in large packages when the Wildcat team shocked their arch rival, the Troy Trojans. The scoreboard may not have shown it, but the Wildcat team and their fans know that the Trojans were defeated. Only fate can explain the last two minutes of the game when Troy inched their way to a heartbreaking 21-20 win.

"Coach Deaton is aggressive and enthusiastic about the game. He makes a big difference, he wants us to win," Todd Michaels said.



What form!—Kiley Rice shows the perfect execution of a pass while warming up for a football game. photo by Janna Boos.

Where'd he go?—The Wildcats attempt a tackle against the Pleasant Ridge Rams. photo by Bray.

Trying out for the Rockettes, Wally?—Wally Snodgrass kicks off to the Pleasant Ridge Rams. photo by Bray.



Out of my way!—Brandy Libel gains yardage for the Cat's after receiving a pass. photo by Bray.



... make a difference for the 'Cats

Football

SCOREBOARD

	US	Opponent
Oskaloosa	15	16
Jackson Heights	20	47
Horton	16	46
McLouth	8	6
Pleasant Ridge	22	6
Eudora	32	27
J.C.N.	16	46
Troy	20	21
Highland	30	6

A.J. Braithwait, Brandy Libel, and Chad McCoy were named to the All Delaware Valley League 1st Offensive Team.

Wally Snodgrass was named to the All Delaware Valley League 2nd Defensive Team.



I should have blocked before I passed!—A.J. Braithwait, quarterback, finds himself on the ground after a play wondering what happened. photo by Bray.



Front row—Mitzi Juhl, Chad McCoy, Doug Bauman, Rodney McVey, A.J. Braithwait, Brent Vertin, Brandy Libel, Wally Snodgrass, George Jones. **Second row—**Brian Walker, Mike Bell, Jerry Hawkins, Kurt Engemann, Tony Force, Landon Campbell, Gary DeVault, Brett Miller, Kiley Rice, Coach Mike Leach. **Third row—**Jeremy Murphy,

Damon Hansen, Jay Hartman, Billy Waltz, Todd Michaels, Jim Simerly, Terry Bauman, Joshua Elder, David Steeby, Coach Mark Allen. **Fourth row—**Duston Hansen, Craig Hayes, Brian Fansher, Ricky Bauman, Bryan Plomey, Head Coach Don Deaton photo by Bray.

Please God, oh please —Brian Fansher says a quick prayer during a game asking for a victory. photo by Bray.

INTENSITY...

by Michelle Haupt

The Lady Wildcats found that hard work, intensity, and determination paid off when their volleyball season ended with an overall winning record of 11-8.

"It was great having the first winning season in Wathena's volleyball history during my senior year," Janna Boos said.

The volleyball team was able to grab second place among the county teams, and sixth place in the league. They were also able to obtain their first volleyball trophy.

"I think it's great that we accomplished this because we finally showed our fans that we can be winners. Maybe they will start supporting the volleyball team," Mary Beth Schmilie said.

Janna Boos was named to the Delaware Valley League Volleyball Team and the All Doniphan County Volleyball Team. Sue Remmers and Michelle Haupt received honorable mention to the All Doniphan County Volleyball Team.

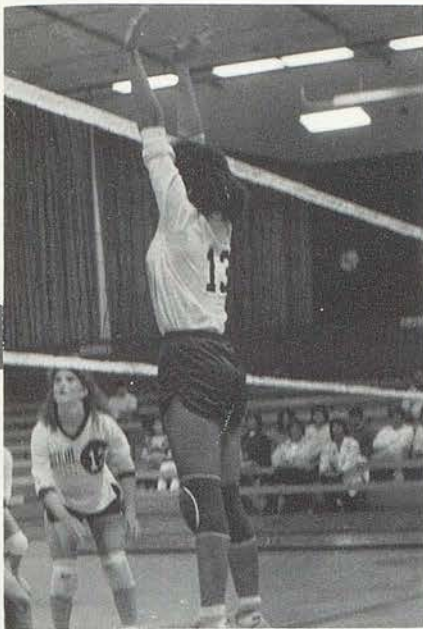


What's going on guys?—Sue Remmers and Janna Boos try to figure out where the action is on during the sub-state game with Highland. photo by Nancy Reese.

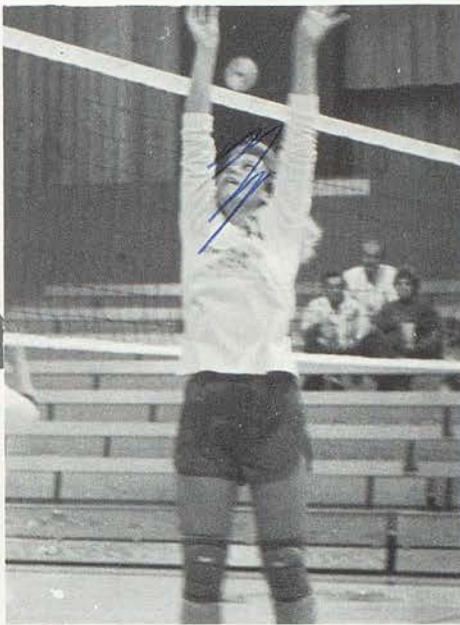


Good game, good game, . . . —The Wathena Volleyball gals try to surpress their excitement after defeating Highland at the last home game of the season. photo by Bridget Boos.

In your face, Highland!—Lesley Koehler shows the perfect execution of a block during a sub-state game with Highland. photo by Nancy Reese.



Ugghh, my aching neck!—Mary Beth Schmillie watches the ball as she sets someone up for a spike. photo by Nancy Reese.



... sparks
first winning
season for the
Lady 'Cats.

Volleyball

SCOREBOARD

Nodaway-Holt	12-15, 15-10, 15-13	W
Pleasant Ridge	15-12, 5-15, 8-15	L
Horton	6-15, 15-13, 15-12	W
DeKalb	15-12, 15-1	W
J.C.N.	15-17, 4-15	L
McLouth	15-13, 15-3	W
Highland	2-15, 15-13, 15-10	W
Troy	8-15, 5-15	L
Valley Falls	15-12, 5-15, 10-15	L
Oskaloosa	15-12, 15-10	W
Highland	0-15, 7-15	L
Linwood	15-12, 15-11	W
Nodaway-Holt	15-7, 15-11	W
McLouth	10-15, 2-15	L
Oskaloosa	15-6, 15-7	W
Jackson Heights	15-4, 15-6	W
J.C.N.	0-15, 7-15	L
Midway	15-7, 15-7	W
Troy	7-15, 14-16	L
Highland	Sub-State	L



"Victory was always possible
and there was nothing
sweeter than a victory!"
—Coach Sherry Deaton



Planning the attack—Coach Sherry Deaton lays out the game plan to the girls for the defeat against Highland during a time out. photo by Bridget Boos.

Raise your hand, if you're sure—Tara Deaton warms up before a junior varsity match with Valley Falls. photo by Janna Boos.



Front row(l to r)—Heidi Engemann, Janna Boos, Michelle Haupt. **Second row**—Jenny McVey, Mary Beth Schmillie, Paige Studer, Rhonda Clary, Nicki Simpson. **Third row**—Reggie McVey, Lesley Koehler, Sue Remmers. **Fourth row**—Angie Baskins, Sandy Jones, Jamie Orcutt, Vickie Tafajo, Vicki Masters, Traci Van Wey. **Fifth row**—Assistant Coach Nancy Reese, Nicholle Haupt, Tara Deaton, Jenifer McAdams, Angela Theis, Kenya McCrory, Tonya Drake, Eva Schmillie. photo by Bray.

QUALITY . . .

by Angie Baskins

Under the direction of Coach Rich Boehringer, the cross country teams have proved that dynamite does come in small packages. With 3 girls and 6 boys, Coach Boehringer proceeded to blaze trail after trail at each meet.

"We had a lot of fun, no matter how well we did," Brad Caton, junior said.

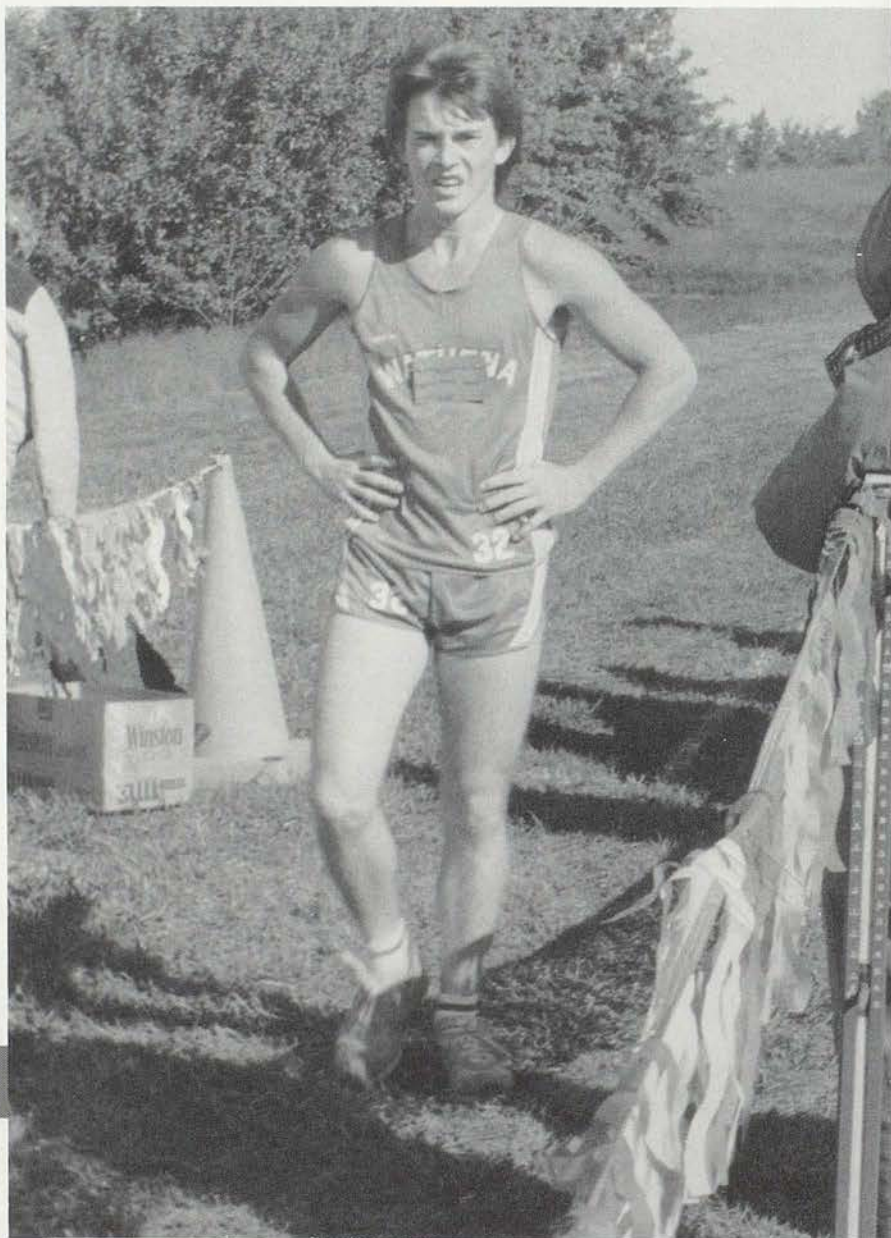
Although both teams were small, they made a strong showing at all the meets.

The boys did well at all meets, and then placed 4th at Regionals.

"The best part of the season was in Troy. I got my best time there," Caton said.

The girls were 2 short of the required 5-member team, but with the help of Kenya McCrory and Tanya Drake, the team placed second at Regionals, and brought home an 11th place plaque from State.

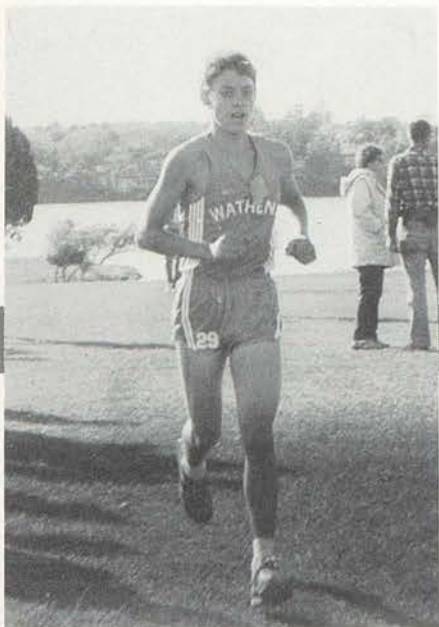
Tina Thomas, running her first year of Cross Country, medaled at all the meets and was named to the DVL All-League Team.



No, seriously, Billie Jo—Billie Jo Steeby and Tina Thomas discuss their upcoming run at the Troy Invitational meet. photo by Janna Boos

Get that %!# camera out of my face—Brad Caton finishes the course at the Troy Invitational. photo by Nicki Simpson

Breathe, Kurt—Kurt Engemann catches his breath after finishing at the Troy Invitational meet. photo by Nicki Simpson



Am I almost done?—Jason Laipple runs hard to make a good finish at the Troy meet. photo by Nicki Simpson



...not quantity helps Cross Country teams.

Cross Country

SCOREBOARD

MEET	BOYS	GIRLS
Maur Hill	7th	Tina Thomas—11th
Hiawatha	10th	Tina Thomas—6th
Saviour of the World	2nd	Tina Thomas—21st Billie Jo Steeby—49th
Troy	4th	Tina Thomas—2nd Billie Jo Steeby—7th
Horton	12th	Tina Thomas—7th
DVL	5th	Tina Thomas—3rd
Jackson Heights	5th	Tina Thomas—7th
Regionals	4th	2nd
State	—	11th

“Your best time has nothing to do with getting a medal,”
Brad Caton



Huey, Dewey, and Louie—Janelle Weber, Billie Jo Steeby, and Tina Thomas take time to pose for the camera after a great finish at the Troy meet. photo by Nicki Simpson

What! Us run!?!—Brad Caton, Kurt Engemann, Joe Tucker, and Jason Laipple relax before running at the Troy meet. photo by Janna Boos



First row—Jim Tawzer, Janelle Weber, Billie Jo Steeby, Tina Thomas **2nd row**—Coach Rich Boehringer, David Steeby, Brad Caton, Jason Laipple, Joe Tucker, Kurt Engemann, Brian Ptomey photo by Bray

TENACITY . . .

by Angela Baskins

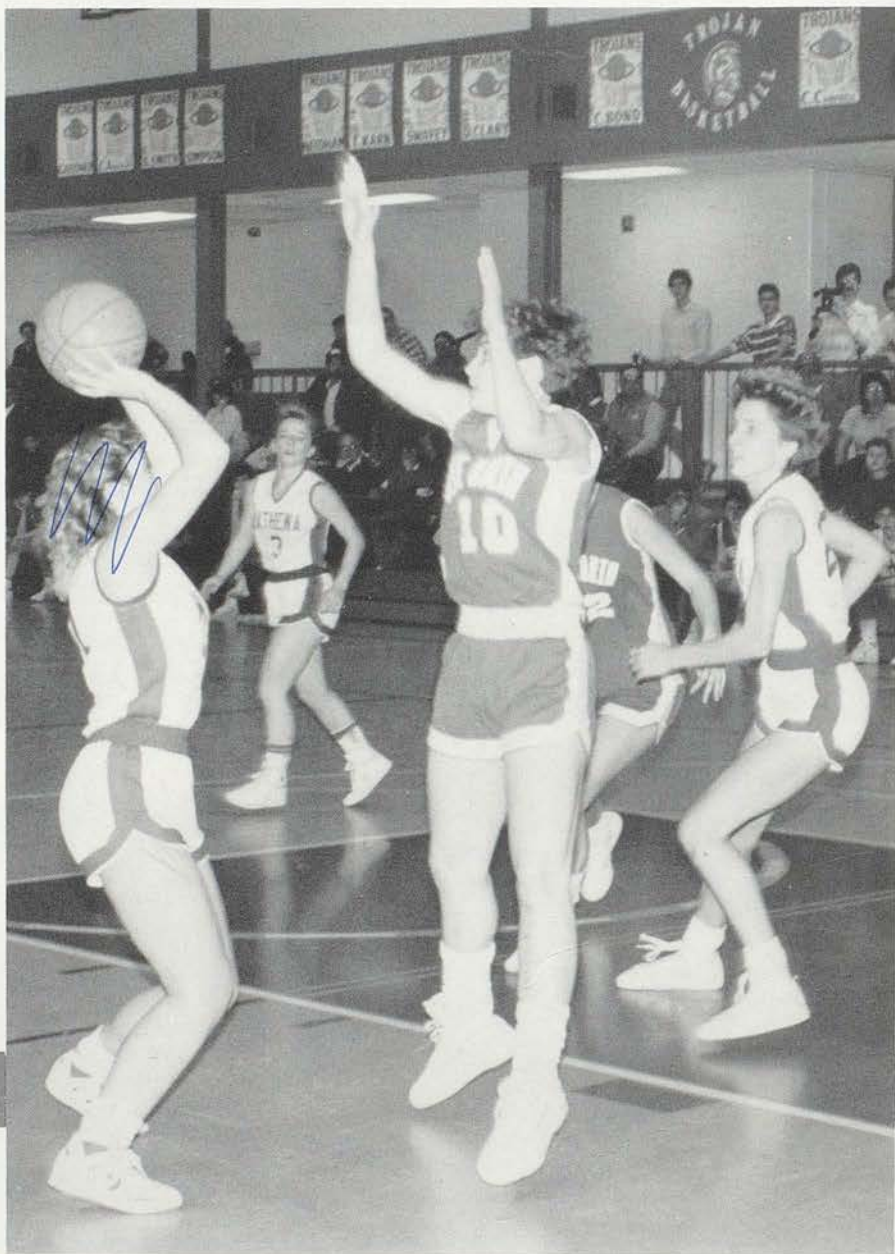
“We got better as the season went along. I wish the season could have been longer; we’d have been great,” Lisa Bauman, sophomore said.

It was a disappointing season, but the girl’s basketball team managed to stay somewhat optimistic. They ended the season 6-12, but only a few of the losses were total blowouts.

“Most people don’t realize it, but most of our games were pretty close,” Michelle Haupt, senior said.

The general feeling among all the girls was that they had improved steadily during the season. They felt it was important that their improvement was noticed.

“The phrase that best describes the season is ‘never give up’ or ‘togetherness,’” Larry Sandy, coach said.



Psychel!—Lesley Koehler, Mary Beth Schmille, and Janna Boos use their passing skills to confuse the JCN team during the homecoming game. photo by Bray

Move! I can’t see the basket—Mary Beth Schmille shoots over a Jeff North guard as Janna Boos and Rhonda Clary look on, hoping for a basket. photo by Bray

Soaring through the air—Janet Sharp towers above the JCN guard as she scores two for the 'Cats during the homecoming game played at Troy. photo by Bray



Streetch—Brenda Bauman fights for a rebound at the homecoming game against JCN. photo by Bray



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Girls' Basketball

SCOREBOARD

	US	THEM
Midway	20	26
Oskaloosa	42	45
Jackson Heights	29	52
Horton	24	25
Elwood	51	23
Troy	34	64
Highland	43	40
Oskaloosa	47	46
Troy	43	50
Mid-Buchanan	35	26
JCN	35	47
Elwood	58	29
Valley Falls	37	48
Pleasant Ridge	33	42
McLouth	45	41
Immaculata Tourney		
Basehor	28	41
Perry-Lecompton	33	37
Sub-State		
Onaga	23	63

"We could've been a lot better if we'd have pushed ourselves a little harder," Mary Beth Schmilie



I can't quite reach it—Brenda McVey dribbles down the court for a layup against Jeff North at Troy during the varsity homecoming game. photo by Bray

And it's ... GOOD!!—Rhonda Clary watches as Brenda Bauman launches a jump shot over the JCN guard during the girls' homecoming game in Troy. photo by Bray



First row—Angela Theis, Nicholle Haupt, Tara Deaton, Mary Beth Schmilie, Brenda McVey, Rhonda Clary, Lesley Koehler, Jenifer McAdams, and Jamie Orcutt Second row—Coach Campbell, Traci Van Wey, Kenya McCrory, Katherine

Bauman, Tanya Drake, Janet Sharp, Janna Boos, Brenda Bauman, Michelle Haupt, Joyce Jones, Shelly Weaks, Lisa Bauman, Brian Ptomey, and Coach Sandy. photo by Bray

Teamwork . . .

by Michelle Haupt

Teamwork spelled success for the Wildcat boy's basketball team this year. The Wildcats worked together to out play the best teams in the league, ending with an overall season record of 15-7.

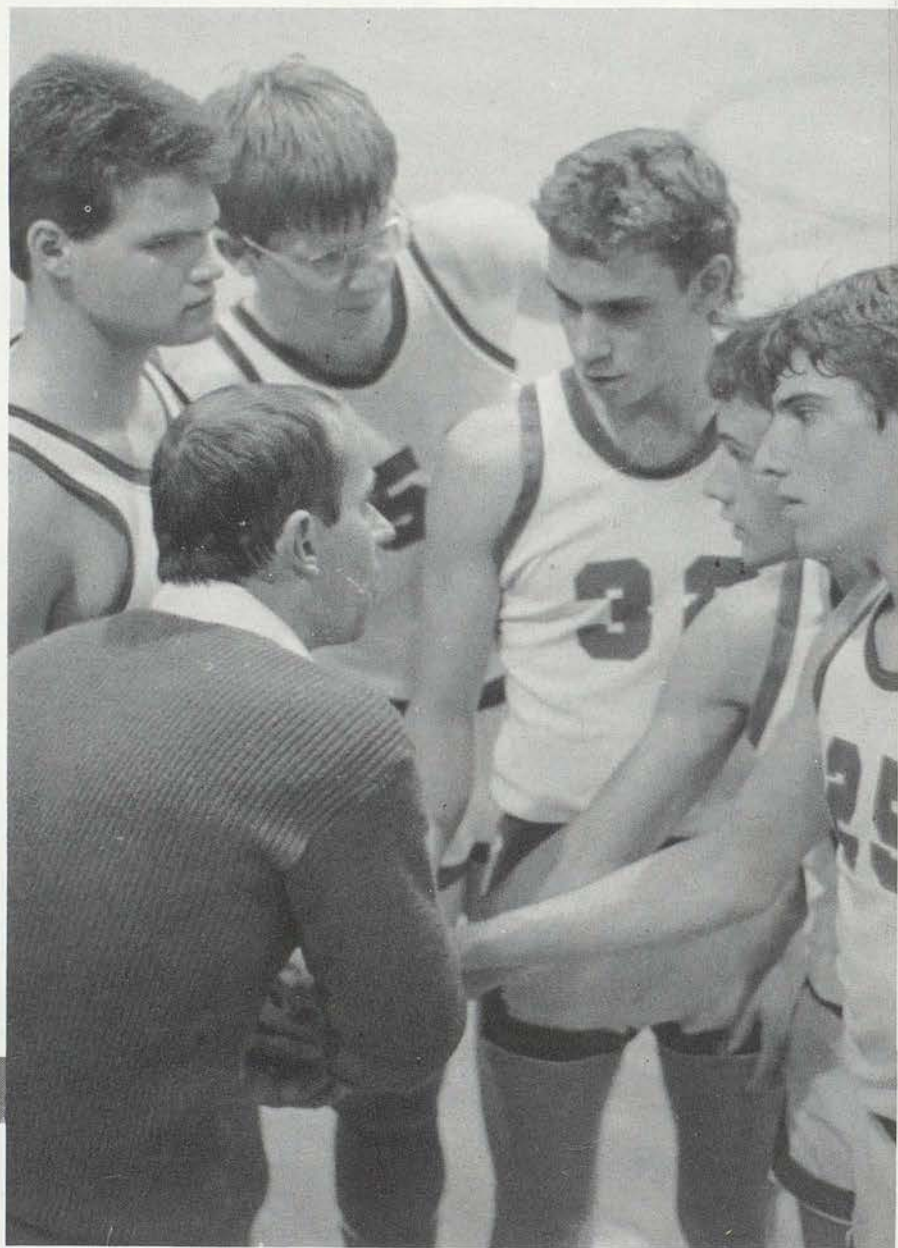
"We played together as a team and wanted to win," Chad McCoy said.

Game after game the 'Cats pulled away from their opponents with yet another victory. The action of the games and the winning record of the team drew in the loyal boosters.

It seemed that the Wildcats came upon the short end of the stick sometimes, though. In the pre-season tournament, the 'Cats lost by three in the championship round to Horton. In the Immaculata tournament, they only lost by two in the championship round to the hosting team, Immaculata.

Nevertheless, they took second place in these tournaments and had an outstanding season otherwise by ending it tied with Troy for second place in the league.

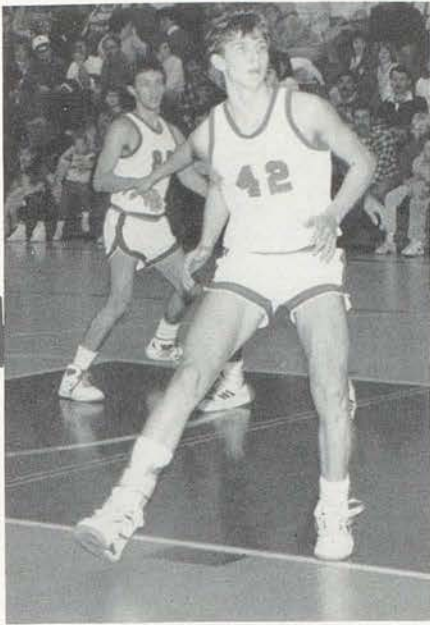
"I think the whole year went well. I was satisfied with the whole season, the kids used their potential," Head Coach Larry Sandy said.



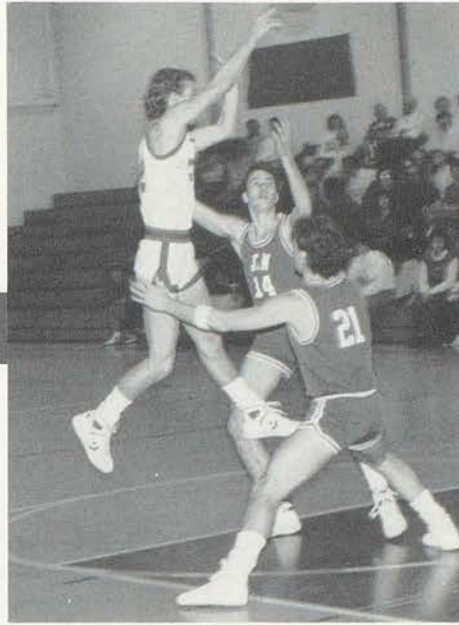
Grab that ball, Chad—Chad McCoy takes the ball away from a Jefferson County North player during the Homecoming game at Troy. photo by Bray.

Let's go!—Mr. Sandy gives his starting line-up the final instructions before they go to destroy another team. photo by Jana Boos.

Hey, I'm open—Israel Elder cuts across to the open spot in the lane as the ball is being thrown inbounds. photo by Bray.



Is that a jump shot?!—Brandy Libel leaps into the air to toss a pass to his team mate. photo by Bray.



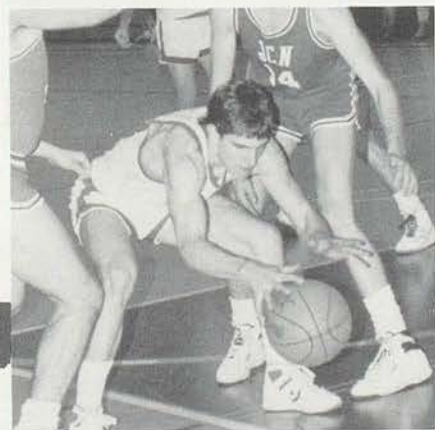
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Boy's Basketball

SCOREBOARD

Us	Opponent
Midway	56 58
Valley Falls	61 59
Pre-Season Tournament	
Jackson Heights	66 61
Horton	42 45
Jackson Heights	37 69
Horton	73 61
Elwood	77 45
Troy	64 88
Immaculata Tournament	
Pleasant Ridge	64 47
Midway	58 48
Immaculata	57 59
Troy	62 66
Highland	74 68
Oskaloosa	79 55
Mid-Buchanan	83 71
Jefferson County North	64 59
Elwood	73 37
Valley Falls	86 72
Pleasant Ridge	84 67
McLouth	74 52
Sub-state Tournament	
Valley Heights	72 65
Washington	67 81

Immaculata Tournament Team: Rodney McVey
 Delaware Vally League 1st Team:
 A.J. Braithwait, George Jones
 Doniphan County Team: 1st Team: A.J. Braithwait
 2nd Team: George Jones
 Individual Leaders Kansas Class 2A—A.J. Braithwait
 (scoring) Brandy Libel (assists)



Stop, pop, and drop . . .—Wally Snodgrass and George Jones execute the perfect shooting form during practice one day. photo by Janna Boos.

What do you mean "double dribble?"—A.J. Braithwait demonstrates new techniques of dribbling during the homecoming game against JCN. photo by Bray.



Front row (l-r)—Jason Laipple, Brett Miller, Kiley Rice, Joshua Elder, Mike Bell, Kurt Engemann, Brian Ptomey. **Second row**—Terry Bauman, Landon Campbell, Wally Snodgrass, Rodney McVey, A.J. Braithwait, Eddie Poirier, Chad McCoy, Tony Force. **Third row**—Coach Rich Boehringer, Manager Traci Van Wey, Ricky Bauman, Todd Michaels, Jay Hartman, Brent Vertin, Israel Elder, Jimmy Simerly, Brandy Libel, George Jones, Brian Walker, Head Coach Larry Sandy. photo by Bray.

VELOCITY...

by Michelle Haupt

Acceleration. Speed. Endurance. Record-breaking. Velocity. These are some of the words, to name a few, that described the Wathena track team this year.

Tanya Drake used her rapid feet to break the old record of 13.10, and make a new record of 12.69 in the 100 meter dash. Chad McCoy ran and leaped over the 300 intermediate hurdles in 42.42 seconds to break the old record of 43.02 and put his name on the track records, too. The 400 meter relay team broke the school record of 54.50, then went on to break their own record two more times, the fastest time ended up as 53.37. This relay team was made up of Janelle Steeby, Angela Theis, Tanya Drake, and Lesley Koehler. Shelly Weaks established the record for the javelin with a throw of 88'3".

Unsurprisingly, Wathena had many tracksters qualify for the state meet in Wichita: Lesley Koehler, Janelle Steeby, Tara Deaton, and Tanya Drake in the 400 meter relay. Tina Thomas went to run the two mile and Chad McCoy went to run the 300 intermediate hurdles. With their jumping ability, Israel Elder went in the high jump and Wally Snodgrass went in the long jump.

Wally Snodgrass took fifth place in the long jump at state and Tanya Drake captured fourth in the 100 meter dash.



But I am in no condition to run!—Nick Simpson tries to help Nicholle Haupt come out of her normal stooper before they have to run the two-mile. photo by Janna Boos



"And then we went to the ..."—The three amigos, Israel Elder, Brian Walker, and George Jones get caught goofing off during a gab session at the regional track meet at JCN. photo by Nicki Simpson.

It's a bird, it's a plane, it's a SUPERFROG!—Wally Snodgrass shows his ability to leap across sand pits in a single bound. He leaped well enough to take fifth place in the long jump at the state track meet. photo by Nicki Simpson



S-T-R-E-E-E-T-C-H—Tanya Drake leans hard to place in the 100 meter dash. Tanya took fourth place in 100 meter dash at the state track meet. photo by Nicki Simpson



... causes a record-breaking track season for the 'Cats.

Track

SCOREBOARD

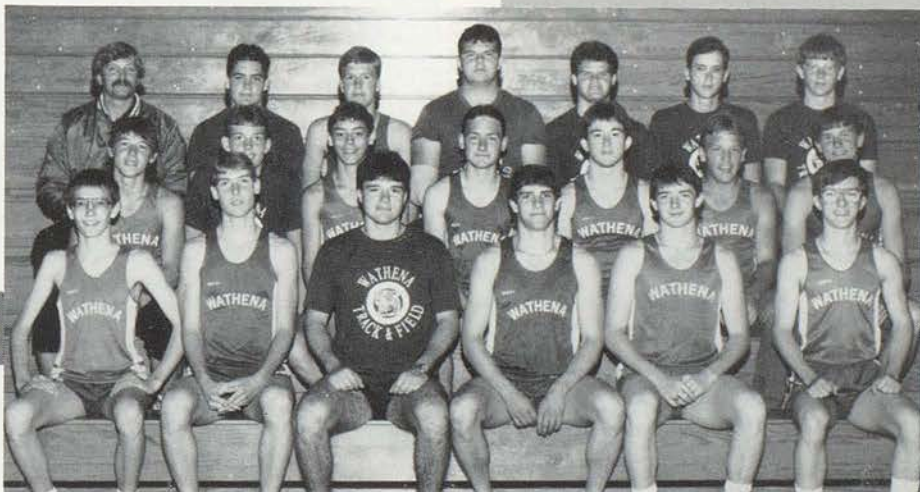
	Girl's	Boy's
Wathena Invitational Meet (5 teams)	1st	1st
Tri-Track Meet (Wathena, JCN, Valley Falls)	1st	2nd
Elwood Invitational Meet (12 teams) 1st overall	2nd	2nd
Tri-Track Meet(Wathena, Oskaloosa, Jackson Heights)	2nd	2nd
Emporia State University Relays won 13 of 17 events		
Tri-Track Meet (Wathena, Troy, Pleasant Ridge)	1st	3rd
Doniphan County Meet (5 teams)	1st	3rd
DVL Freshman/Sophomore Meet (8 teams)	4th	3rd
DVL Track Meet (9 teams)	4th	6th
Regional Track Meet		
State Track Meet		

Wally Snodgrass placed fifth in the long jump at the state track meet in Wichita, Kansas. He jumped 21 feet 4¾ inches.

Tanya Drake place fourth in the 100 meter dash at the state track meet in Wichita, Kansas. She had a time of 13.94 seconds.



Front row (l to r)—Billie Jo Steeby, Tina Thomas, Janna Boos, Janelle Steeby, Leslie Cox; Mgr., Lisa Cluck; Mgr. Second row—Angela Theis, Tara Deaton, Nicholle Haupt, Mitzi Juhl, Kenya McCrory, Sarah Groh, Tanya Drake. Third row—Peggy Weishaar; Mgr., Jenifer McAdams; Mgr., Shelly Weeks, Nicki Simpson, Lisa Bauman, Lesley Koehler, Rhonda Clary, Robbin Hartman. photo by Bray



Front row (l to r)—Bryan Ptomey, Brian Walker, Doug Bauman, A.J. Braithwait, Wally Snodgrass, Jason Laipple. Second row—Mike Bell, Joshua Elder, Kurt Engemann, Landon Campbell, Brad Caton, Brett Miller, Israel Elder. Third row—Coach Rich Boehringer, Craig Hayes, Chad McCoy, Jim Simerly, Brent Vertin, Terry Bauman, George Jones. photo by Bray

SPIRIT . . .

by Angela Baskins

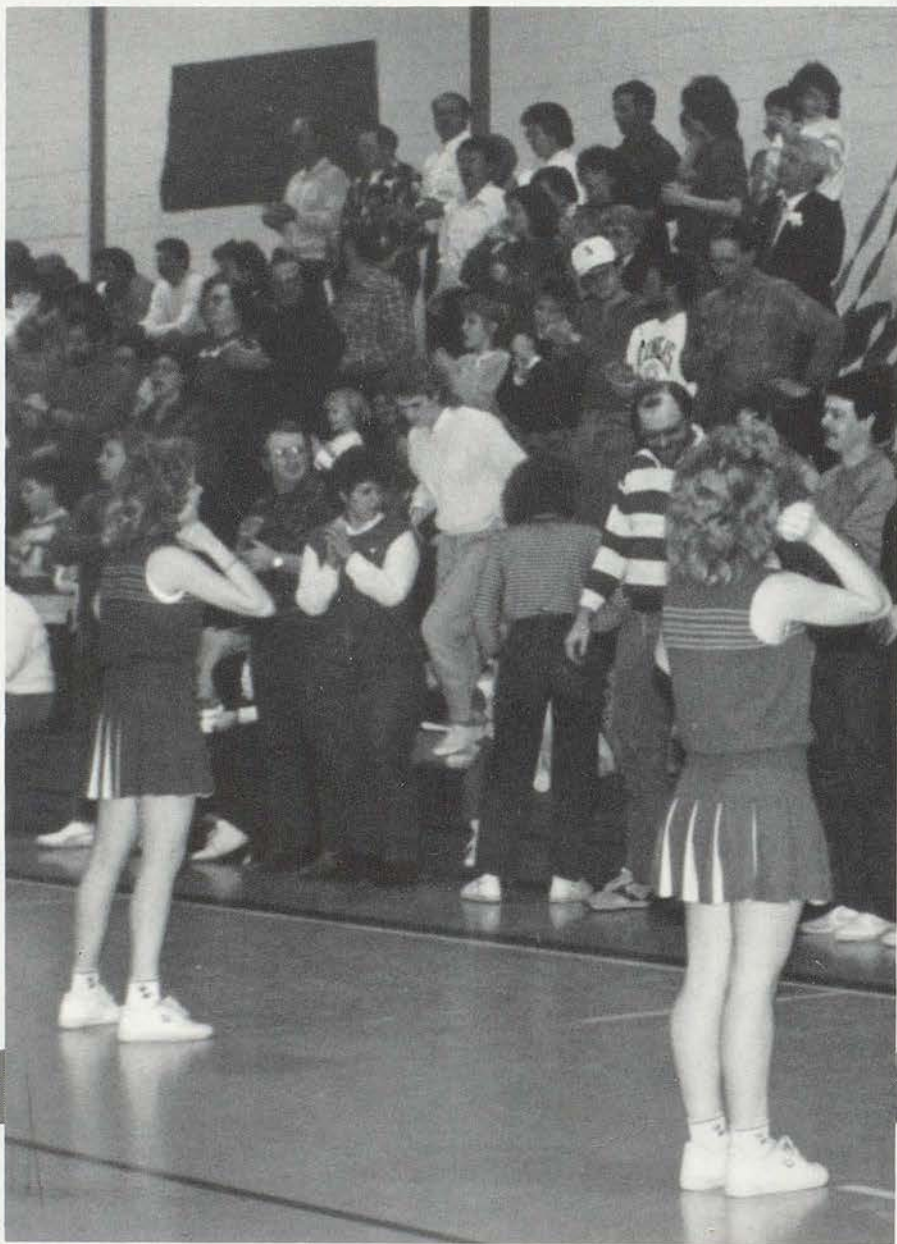
“**C**amp brought us together as a group. Now we perform together as friends, not just as individuals,” Nicki Simpson, junior cheerleader, said.

This year the cheerleaders proved that they had more than enough talent. When they went to DCA camp in Warrensburg, Missouri, they brought back more than new routines and cheers. This year the squad won their division and qualified for the national competition in Honolulu, Hawaii.

“The high point of camp was winning our division. It was great,” Michelle Haupt, senior cheerleader said.

Although all of the cheerleaders want to go to Hawaii, there just doesn't seem to be enough time.

The cheerleaders realize that they have talent, and have worked hard to show it, even if they aren't going to the nationals. With only two seniors leaving, the present squad is looking forward to next year.



Peace and Freedom for all—Janna Boos and Michelle Haupt take a break before the junior varsity football game against Horton. photo by Brenda Bauman

Go-Big-Red—Nicki Simpson and Billie Jo Steeby lead the crowd in a cheer during the Varsity girl's homecoming game at Troy. photo by Bray

Hey! Someone superglued my hands together—Billie Jo Steeby waits for the beginning of the girls' first DVL tourney game at Oskaloosa. photo by Nicki Simpson



It's a long way down—The cheerleaders raise school spirit during the guys semi-final round of the DVL tourney at Horton. photo by Angie Baskins



helps cheerleaders at camp

CHEERLEADERS

Janna Boos—Head
Michelle Haupt
Rhonda Clary
Annette Weishaar
Nicki Simpson
Billie Jo Steeby
Sarah Groh
Pam Shaw—sponsor



"Their improvement through the week at camp helped them get more points," Pam Shaw, sponsor said.



It's the Jane Fonda Workout (above)—the cheerleaders perform their routine to "Wipe Out" at the homecoming pep rally downtown. photo by Bray

And then I hit him with a left—Rhonda Clary and Annette Weishaar talk about the homecoming parade as they ride the fire truck downtown. photo by Bray



Top row Billie Jo Steeby, Sarah Groh, Annette Weishaar, Rhonda Clary. **Bottom row**—Janna Boos, Michelle Haupt, Nicki Simpson. photo by Bray

ACADEMICS

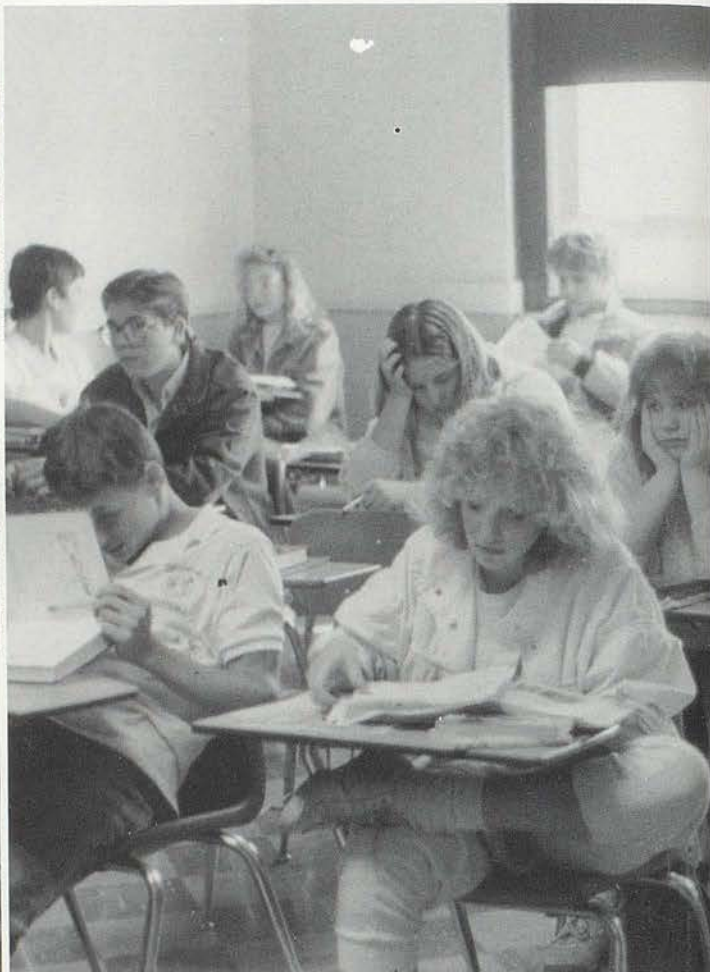
It's mine! Give it to me!—Janet Sharp accepts her diploma from the school board president, Mike Vertin. photo by Bray



This is science Bryan, not English—Mr. Blocker helps Rick Bauman, Stanley Potter, and Bryan Pto-mey with their General Science assignment. photo by Janna Boos



I feel that our classes are structured so that if we really want to learn something we have the opportunity.—Jason Laipple



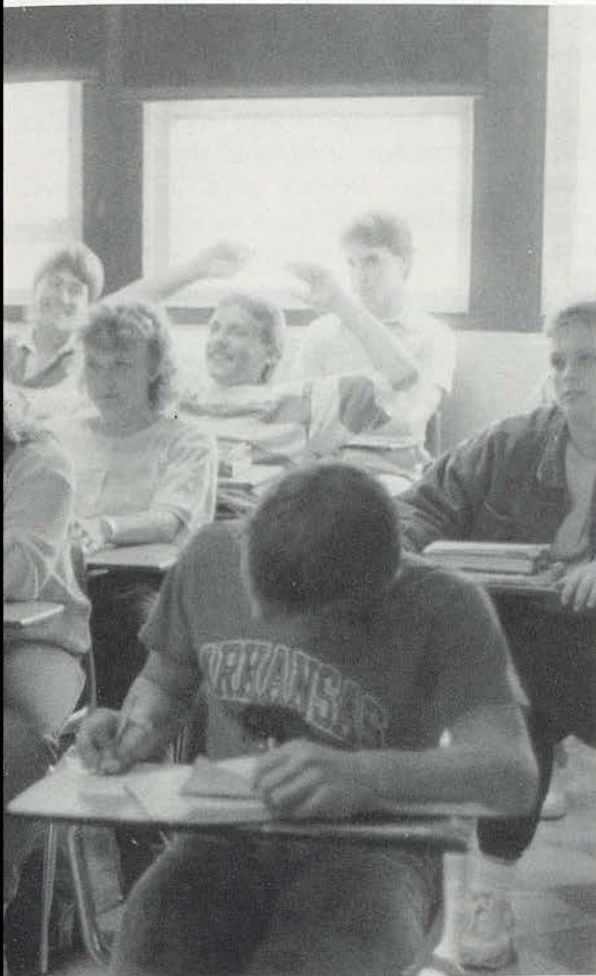
Ove what, Mr. Opinion—Mr. Opinion, Vickie Tafoya, and Kris Perry discuss the upcoming Spanish contest at Pittsburgh State University. photo by Janna Boos



I could do this all day—Tanya Drake works diligently on a silk screening project for her 4th hour art class. photo by Nicki Simpson.

Let's review the structure of a sentence—Miss Sollars grades papers with 3rd hour freshman English class. photo by Nicki Simpson

Everyone enjoying class?—Students display the many different attitudes toward the required freshman health class. photo by Janna Boos



Wildly

working towards the 'Real World'

The academic part of school is something that should never take second place to anything. What we learn here in high school has a very big affect on our lives in "the real world". It can determine what kind of jobs we may hold, what kind of colleges we attend, and how far we continue our education.

"For the size of school we have, the classes offered are o.k.," said Israel Elder, junior,

"but I wish this was a bigger school so I could take the classes I wanted, not just the ones that are available."

"I also feel that for the size of school we have, the number of classes offered is adequate," said A.J. Braithwait, senior, "I guess we will find out how prepared we are when we go on to large colleges."

By: Angela Spainhower and Angela Baskins



I feel that our students need to spend more time on their academics. They should never take a 'back seat' to anything.—Mr. Sandy

Look someone ripped page 16 out of my book—Miss Reese helps Joyce Jones with a College English assignment during the 20 minute activity period. photo by Nicki Simpson

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Pencils and pianos may lead to a career

FINE ARTS

Fine Arts can be described in many different ways, from drawing to silkscreening and from singing to playing an instrument.

"I like silkscreen because you can make more detailed pictures," Steve Rolfsmeyer, freshman, said.

Some people don't realize that band and chorus are classified under art, too.

"I like chorus better because it sounds good when we all get our parts, and work together," Sarah Groh, junior,

said.

"I like band because of K.U. Band Day. And we get to get out of school to go to contests. I just like music," Jay Hartman, sophomore, said.

Fine Arts can be fun and educational and enjoyed throughout the year. Some students take Fine Arts to enjoy as a hobby, but others intend to further their careers.

by Reggie McVey

"I started piano lessons when I was in kindergarten" said Kathleen Schmidt, band director. "I started college at Kansas University, then I got married and moved to Boston. I received my Bachelors degree on music at the Boston Conservatory of Music. Then I moved back and got my Masters Degree in piano at K.U.



"I took all the art classes I could in high school. I went to Emporia State and took Art Education classes," Debra Wilke, art teacher, said.



Whittle while you work . . . —Jeremy Murphy tries to do a wood carving project in 4th hour art. photo by Nicki Simpson.

Left, left, left, right, left.—The WHS Band strut their stuff in the parade at Lawrence during Band Day at the University of Kansas. photo by Kansas University Photo Services.

Sing the right note would ya?—Joshua Elder and Jay Hartman practice on the song Duke of Earl that they sang with Chris Witt and George Jones at this years Pop's Concert. photo by Janna Boos.



ART COURSES

Art I

Art II

Crafts

Ceramics

MUSIC COURSES

Band

Chorus

Piano



Students get physical

Over the years, physical education has been required for all freshmen.

This year the administration has added an additional elective for the student body. The new class is Advance Physical Education. Advanced P.E. is made up of different activities that students will be doing throughout the year.

"Team sports, individual sports, adventure education, outdoor type activities, fitness and conditioning, are some activities that we'll be doing,"

Don Deaton, P.E. instructor, said.

"One of the reasons I took Advanced P.E. is because I like to play sports," Jerry Hawkins sophomore, said.

Not only does Deaton just teach Physical Education he also teaches a health class.

"I have fun playing the sports part, but I don't really like the health part," Damon Hansen, freshman, said.

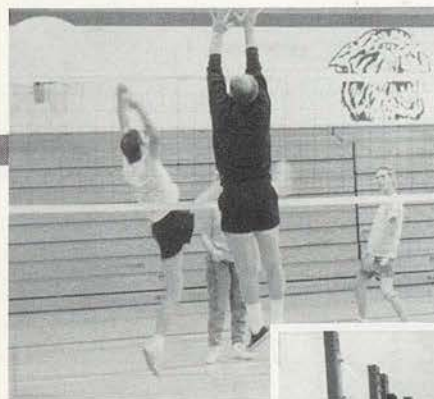
by Reggie McVey

"Where I grew up all I did was play ball. So I decided that when I grew up I wanted to further my career in sports. When I started college I went with the idea of preparing myself to be a teacher and a coach, I've always enjoyed it," Don Deaton, physical education teacher, said.



Janitors of tomorrow.—Robbin Hartman and Crisha Orcutt use Jesika Russo to mop up the gym floor during 7th hour P.E. class. photo by Nicki Simpson.

How did you do that?—The 4th hour P.E. class watches as Mr. Deaton serves the ball. photo by Janna Boos.



Did you see that block?—Mr. Deaton, Terry Bauman, and Brian Walker play a little game of volleyball, during 4th hour P.E. class. photo by Janna Boos.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES

Freshmen Physical Education

Freshmen Health

Advanced Physical Education

Advanced Health

Just don't stand there, somebody help me!—Mr. Deaton and class watch Robbin Hartman hang for her grade during 7th hour P.E. class. photo by Janna Boos.



Physical Education

English classes help W.H.S.

LANGUAGE ARTS

Language arts can be used for ourselves as well as for others. The English classes we take at WHS help us throughout our lives. They help us to communicate or just listen. They help us to comprehend and put things to use.

The English classes are set up on a semester basis, emphasizing

style, diction, and syntax. The second semester is set up so students are able to study American and English literature.

"The different assignments we do in College English let us be creative, and they prepare us for college," Janet Sharp, senior, said.

Journalism and Productions also

I really wanted to go into advertising or public relations, but now I'm glad I'm a teacher because it allows me to work in these areas. Nancy Reese, High School English Teacher.



Brandy is that Michelle's paper?—Brandy Libel takes time out to do his homework in Productions. photo by Janna Boos.



Everybody make siamese pigs!!—The Journalism class takes time out from WE B-TV to pose for a picture. photo by Janna Boos.

LANGUAGE ARTS

- English II
- English IV
- College English
- Journalism I
- Journalism II
- Productions

Oh, I love you darling.—Lisa takes time out to give Landon a passionate love-gazed look. photo by Janna Boos.



Andrea, I can't believe you said that—Nan Boos and Andrea Lehman take a break out of activity period to listen to a little gossip. photo by Janna Boos.

students to communicate

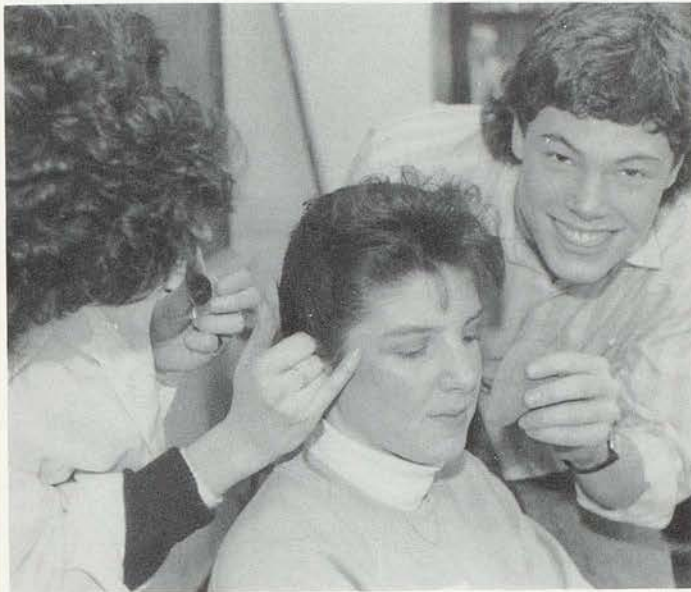
fall into the category of language arts. While the English classes allow the student to be somewhat creative, Journalism and Productions emphasize creativity over anything else.

"Journalism is teaching me a lot about photography, which will help me pursue my "dream" of

becoming a photographer." Leann Krousa, junior, said.

In today's society, everything is based on communication skills and creativity. Because of this, the language arts classes at W.H.S. become more important everyday.

by Reggie McVey and Angie Baskins

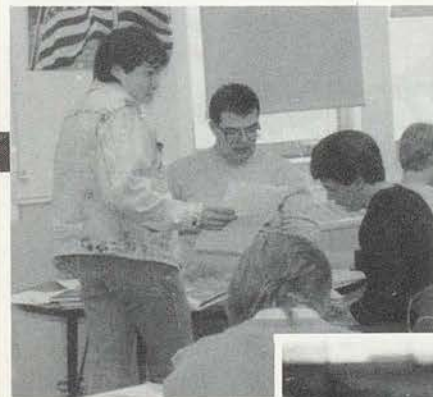


"In college I decided to be a Theatre Major, but I didn't have enough guts to be a professional actress, so the only other job related to drama was teaching." Arlene Sollars High School English Teacher



Do me next Miss Sollars, do me next!!! Jay Hartman, Sarah Groh and Miss Sollars put on a dramatic make-up in Speech and Drama. photo by Janna Boos.

You want us to read how many pages?? Angela Theis listens to Miss Sollars while she reads in Freshmen English. photo by Janna Boos.



Is Bret actually studying??? Bret Robinson, Chris Witt, and Jim Simerly work in the library on a report in 7th hour English. photo by Nicki Simpson

Oh Jamie, how I wish you were here with me right now!! Shelly Weaks thinks about Jamie while listening to a tape of poetry for English. photo by Janna Boos.



LANGUAGE ARTS

English I

English III

Speech/Drama I

Speech/Drama II

Speech/Drama III

Caculating at the speed of light.

Math—the final frontier, to boldly calculate as no man has calculated before. Algebra stardate 1988—Math classes at WHS help instruct students for the unknown future.

As the students go through school, math is one of the most challenging classes, although it's nice to leave it all behind, some people enjoy it and intend to

pursue math at a career.

"I'll probably be taking a lot of math in the future, since I plan to be a math teacher. These classes will help me in college," Nicki Simpson said.

Not only is college a reason for learning math, but students as well as graduates use math everyday.

"Consumer math prepares me for handling money and

getting the best buys," Brian Walker said.

Through the years the struggle with algebra and calculus will continue from generation to generation.

These are the adventures of math students, to seek out the answers and to find the unknown "N" in Saxon's mind boggeling equations.

by Katy Elder

"The reason I wanted to teach math is from the influence of my high school math teacher, Mrs. Rhuddy. I enjoyed her teaching, so I thought I'd like to teach math too," Mr. Sandy math teacher said.



Hurry up Bryan my finger is getting tired.—Mr. Blocker helps Bryan Ptomey figure out his math mistakes in activity period. photo by Janna Boos.

Eat your heart out Jerry.—George Jones and Rhonda Clary pass the time away in Algebra III as Todd Michaels looks on. photo by Nicki Simpson.



Peek-a-boo—Bret Robison sneaks a peek at the camera woman during 5th hour Consumer Math. photo by Janna Boos.

MATH CLASSES

General Math

Consumer Math

Algebra I

Algebra II

Algebra III

Senior Math



You and Brandy did what?—Michelle Haupt tells Brandy Bauman some good gossip in Senior Math. photo by Janna Boos.

MATH

Unlocking the door to the unknown.

Science—The strange, unusual and mysterious doorway to the unknown, exploring everything from A to Z.

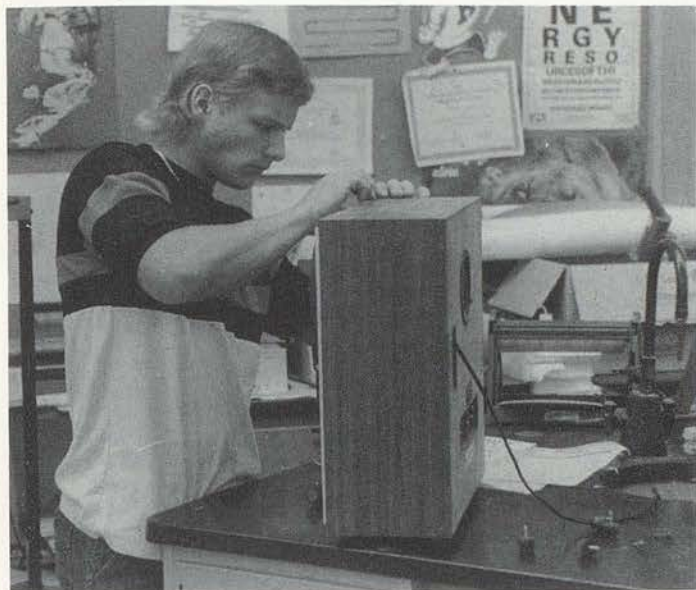
"I enjoy science because it's a challenge and it's interesting. We also get to learn and experience new things," Doug Bauman said.

Man has always struggled with the quest for knowledge and the phenomenon of nature. This is the

same at Wathena High School, students rush into the classroom to learn about the world we live in.

"Working with convex lenses and lasers interested me the most, this sort of technology makes me think and wonder," Michelle Jackson said.

by Katy Elder and Angie Spainhower



I had a specific interest in chemistry in college and stuck with that all the way through. My junior year I changed to education because I felt like I'd rather teach than work in a lab. You know, warm bodies rather than cold bottles. Geary Engemann, science teacher, said.



I teach math basically because I like it. I started teaching science about three years ago. I really enjoy it here, and its convenient because I live so close to the school, Ron Blocker, math/science teacher, said.

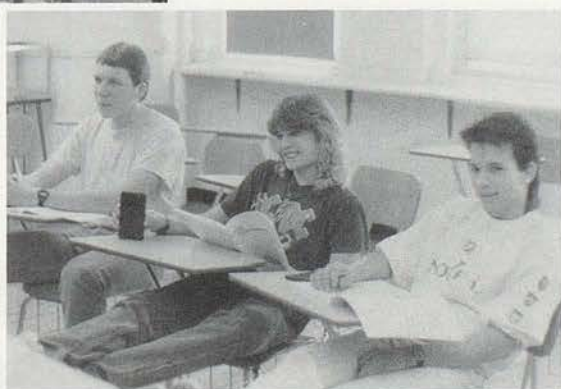


Can you fix it Jay??—Jay Whitten works on a reel to reel tape recorder in Principles of Technology. photo by Janna Boos.

Say that one more time—Mr. Engemann tries to explain to Kiley Rice about the principles of gravity in biology. photo by Janna Boos.



Larry, Daryl, and Daryl—Guy Barton, Chad Poirier and Ed Poirier listen to Mr. Engemann lecture in Principles of Technology. photo by Janna Boos.



SCIENCE CLASSES

- Introduction to Science
- Physical Science
- Biology
- Principles of Technology I
- Principles of Technology II
- Chemistry I
- Chemistry II

SCIENCE

Acting and reacting in History

Social Science—Spanning the globe, discovering historical events from the past, becoming aware of laws and the U.S. Constitution. All these things are experienced by the students who enroll themselves in social science courses.

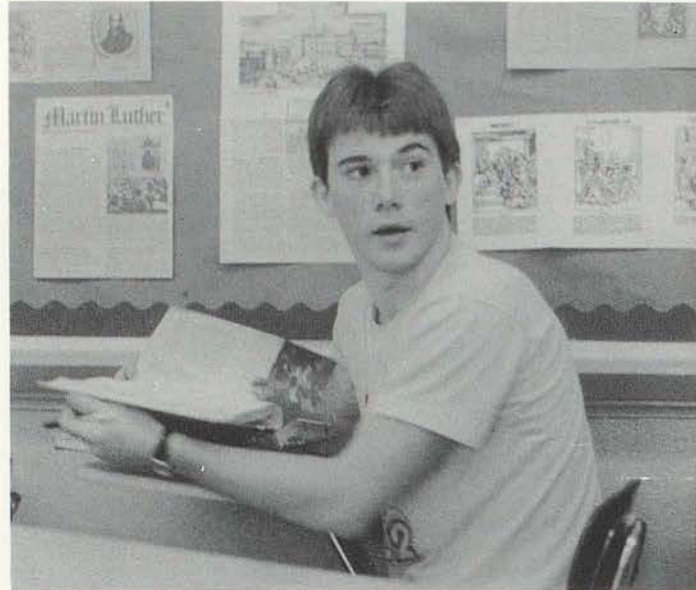
“I enjoy learning about historical events and getting to hear Mr. Leach’s jokes first-hand.” Paige Studer said.

The classes are our chance to see the world from behind a desk and to experience the political guidelines by which we live.

“I like learning about places around the world that I have never seen. Sometimes it seems like they shouldn’t be so far away.” Rick Koelliker said.

by Angie Spainhower and Katy Elder

“I’ve always enjoyed Social Studies because you learn more about people, how they act, behave, react, and adjust. By studying Social Studies you learn all this and more.” Mike Leach, Social Studies teacher, said.



What did Kris say?—Kris Perry and classmates take time out of World Geography to have a little fun. photo by Janna Boos

Did you say read the whole book?—Brad Caton asks Mr. Leach a question in American History. photo by Janna Boos

SOCIAL SCIENCE CLASSES

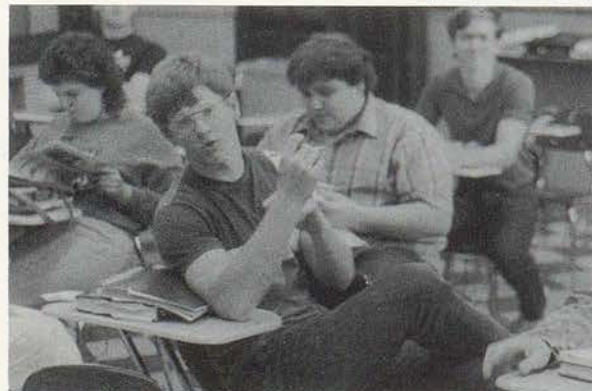
World Geography

World History

American History

Economics

That was a bad joke Mr. Leach.—Sandy Jones listens to Mr. Leach lecture in World Geography. photo by Janna Boos



Well you see, it's like this.—George Jones explains some geography in World Geography. photo by Janna Boos

Do you want me to beat you up?—John Blanton takes time out from his work in World Geography to do some talking. photo by Janna Boos



Are you guy's really listening?—Brenda McVey and other classmates listen to Mr. Deaton lecture in their Government class. photo by Janna Boos



"I teach government classes because it's part of my teaching assignment here. Social Studies was part of what my earlier certification was, it kind of all went together, and I really enjoy it."—Don Deaton, Government teacher, said.



I broke it, Katy!!—Mary Beth Schmille and Katy Elder film classmates for a project in Sociology. photo by Janna Boos

He makes me so mad sometimes.—Sandy Ramseier tells Tonya Juhl about all of her problems in Government. photo by Janna Boos

Another picture??—Jenny McVey poses for another picture in Mr. Leach's American History class. photo by Janna Boos



Oh boy, presents!—A.J. Braithwait watches Mr. Leach open a gift from his Economics class. photo by Janna Boos

SOCIAL SCIENCE CLASSES

American Government

Psychology

Sociology

Vocations

Homemaker, chef, seamstress, secretary, farmer, or mechanic, any of these fields require vocational know-how. What better place to learn how than in a class at school.

"Accounting will help me make the advances I need to get ahead

in fashion merchandising by helping me to understand the financial aspects of business," Janna Boos said.

That's the business side of vocational training. So what can home economics do for your future.

VOCATIONAL



Pam Clark, Wathena High School business teacher.



I've always wanted to be a teacher. I started out in English, then I switched to Home Ec because of the teacher I had in high school. Pat Lafferty, Home Ec teacher, said.



What's the purpose of Accounting anyway? Debbie Wardlow takes time out from her Accounting homework to think. photo by Janna Boos

- BUSINESS**
- Typing I
- Office Machines
- Shorthand
- Accounting I
- Accounting II
- Business
- Management
- Business Law

- HOME EC**
- Home Ec I
- Child Development
- Family Living
- International Foods
- Contemp. Living

Of course I know how to cook. Eva Schmillie stops her work in Home Ec to smile at the camera. photo by Janna Boos



No Kay, not the oven cleaner. Kay Wyatt and Nicki Masters fix themselves up after a hard day of cooking. photo by Janna Boos

on location at W.H.S.

"Home economics helped me with cooking and learning more about life. The class could inspire me to make a career out of it, as a teacher or homemaker or push me into another career." Paula Weishaar said.

Working with wood or machinery are the things thought of first

when you mention a vocational career.

"It's exciting working with wood and making things with your own hands," Doug Bauman said.

So you see a vocational career has diverse opportunities.

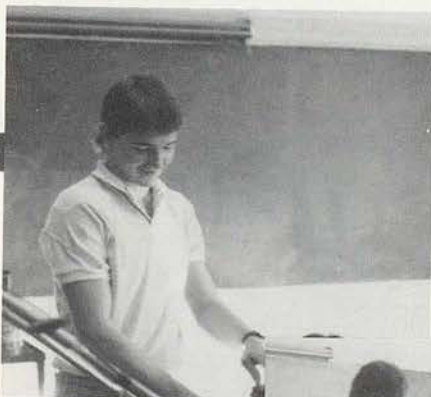
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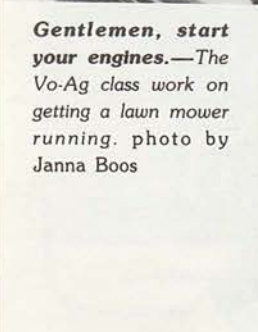
"I started teaching shop so I could be around the kids. I started out coaching and then one thing turned into another and here I was." Bob Seibert, shop teacher, said.



Mark Allen, Wathena High School Vocational Agricultural teacher.



May the Force be with you.—Chad Poirer welds on a project in Vo-Ag class. photo by Janna Boos



Gentlemen, start your engines.—The Vo-Ag class work on getting a lawn mower running. photo by Janna Boos



Can you fix it Wally?—Wally Snodgrass works on a lawn mower in his Vo-Ag class. photo by Janna Boos

VO-AG
 General
 Agriculture
 Horticulture
 Greenhouse
 Farm Management
 Welding
 Small Engines

SHOP
 Wood I-IV
 Mechanical
 Drawing I
 Mechanical
 Drawing II

Behind the scenes

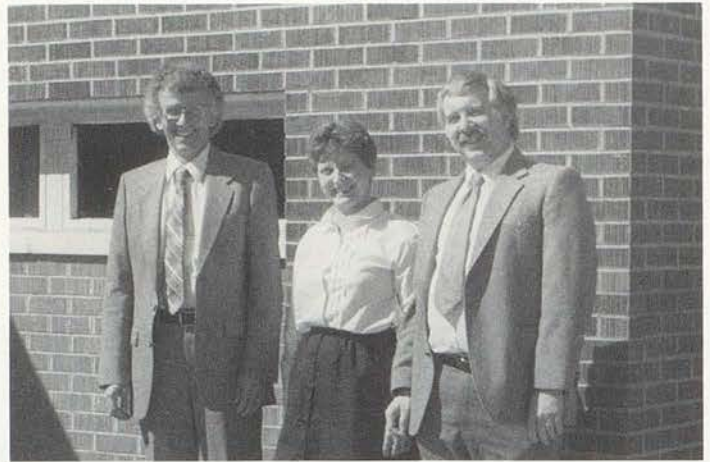
Meet the people behind the scenes the ones who keep the school clean, bus students to school, cook lunches and head up the school as our administration.

"I take pride in what I do, it's been a real rewarding experience, I love it," bus driver, Darlene Snodgrass said.

"Good kids and people are the reason I can enjoy coming to school everyday," cook, Mary Fleek said.

Even if driving a bus and cooking over 100 lunches a day might be hard but typing letters to parents and keeping record of absentees is also a taxing job. "I find all staff at USD #406 a joy to work with. I also enjoy being involved with students regardless of age. Each day is a challenge and I enjoy my work." Doris Schweder said.

by Katy Elder



Richard Heaton, superintendent; Kay Schultz, grade school principal; and Bill Smith, high school principal. photo by Gina Higdon



Juanita Euler, and Doris Schweder

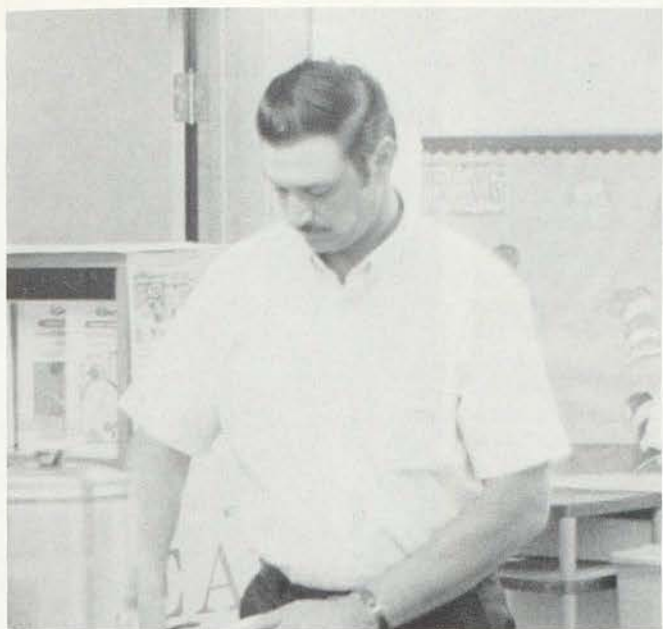


Marge Bottiger, and Diane Bear.

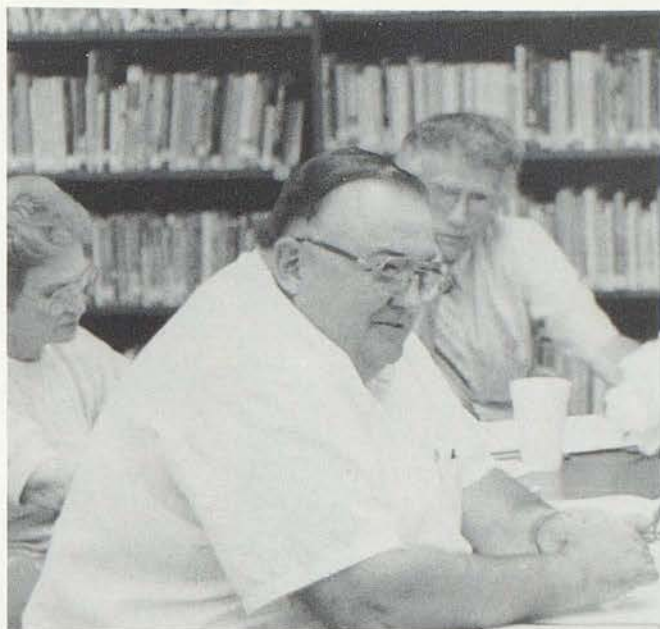


Jerry Burks, high school counselor.

ETALS



Coffee break—Keith Bauman takes a break from the routine of the school board meeting. photos by Janna Boos, and Nicki Simpson.



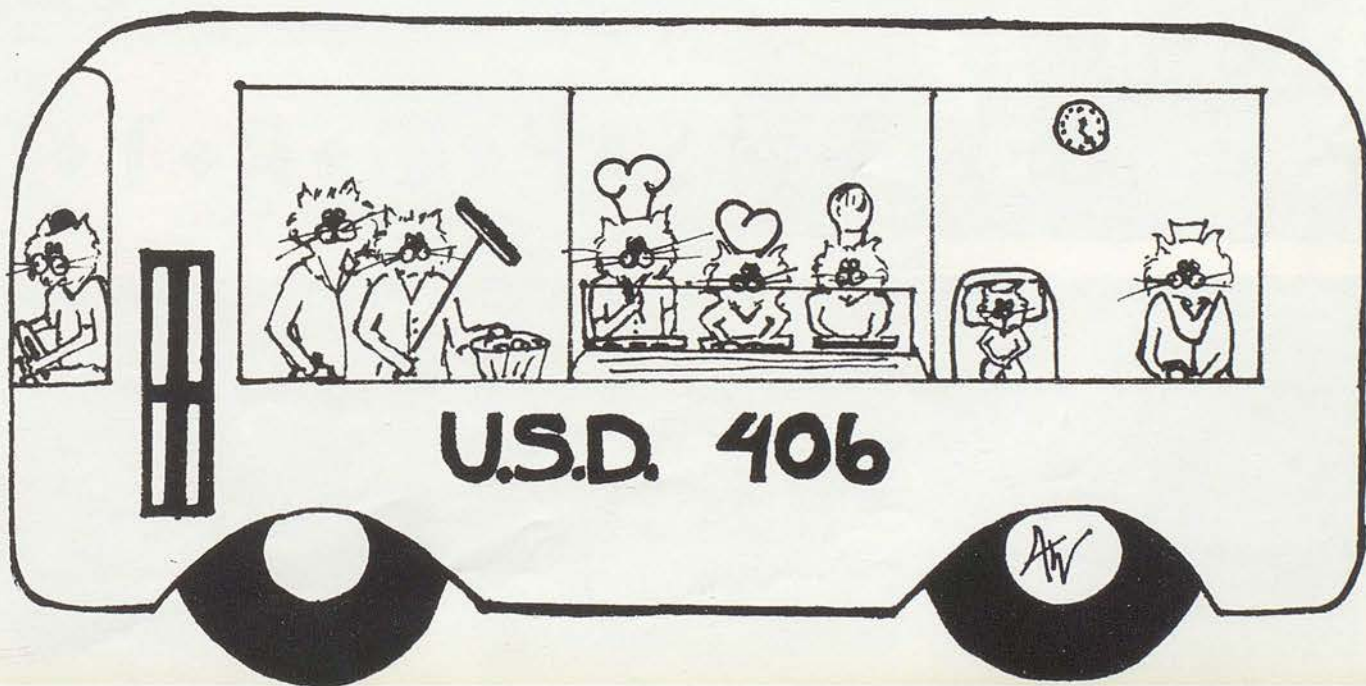
I second that—John Karn helps decide on a matter during an end of the school year board meeting.



Well, it's like this—Joyce Simpson gives here advice at the May school board meeting.



Hmmm, let me think about it—Karen Ryser weighs the pros and cons of an issue at a regular meeting held in the elementary library.



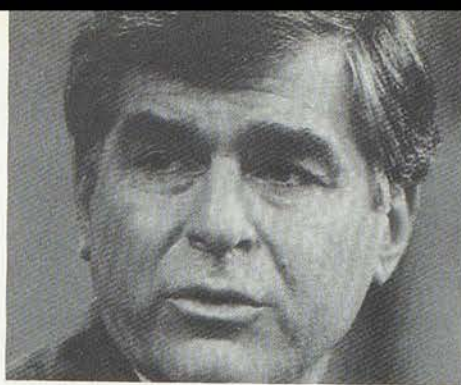
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Jimmy "The Greek" Schneider was going to comment on the year in sports, but he was fired from his position at WHS. Did you know that Dr. J. retired from the NBA? Can you believe it?! The Minnesota Twins beat the St. Louis Cardinals to win the World Series. The KU Jayhawks beat the Oklahoma Sooners 83-79 for the NCAA championship. Eddie "The Eagle" Edwards is now **my** hero. He's Britain's ski jumper. He jumped 71 meters to set a record. (The winning jump was well over 150 m.) Everyone felt sorry for Dan Jansen when he fell at the Olympics after hearing that his sister died, but he later received the Spirit Award from Maxwell House. The football players went on strike because they wanted more money and Dennis Conner brought the America's Cup back home by beating the Australian yacht with his boat, The Stars and Stripes.



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Presidential candidates Bob Dole, Michael Dukakis, and Jesse Jackson had a lot more on their minds than spending and saving. They also had to worry about the 508 point drop the Dow Jones stock exchange suffered on October 19, 1987. It was the worst drop in history. The candidates debated over Supreme Court nominee Robert H. Bork. They had no reason to worry, though, as Congress rejected Bork by a 58-42 vote. The candidates weren't the only ones worrying about the situation in the Persian Gulf. In a July effort to keep the Gulf open, the U.S. sent escort vessels to protect other ships from Iran. In September, an Iranian ship was caught laying mines in the Gulf. Several more have been confiscated.

It was a busy year for President Reagan. While escorting Pope Paul II around the

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country on a nine-city tour, President Reagan was busy trying to find a Supreme Court nominee that Congress would approve. His first nominee was rejected, and the second resigned when the press learned that he and his wife had smoked marijuana during their college years. After the Pope left, Reagan met with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev. The two held a three-day summit meeting in December and signed a nuclear arms control agreement.



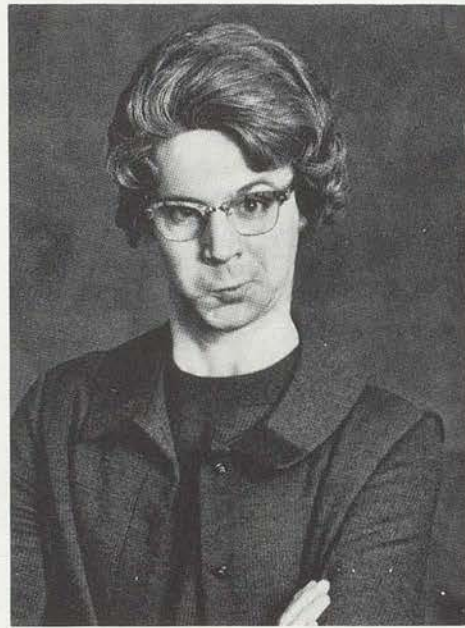
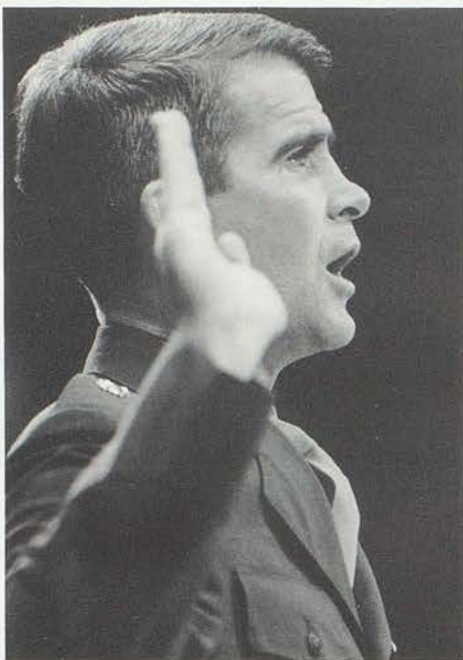
ATTENTION GETTERS

Well. It's been a 'special' year. Someone was hard at work, now who could that be? Oh, I don't know, maybe—SATAN?! The Church Lady of Saturday Night Live's **Church Chat** provided us with a hilarious look at this year's most colorful characters. She's interviewed a few of the pictured people, and she'll probably get around to the ones she's missed, because after all, when you're famous, life is full of, oh, well, maybe TEMPTATION?!?

Oliver North is no longer a Lieutenant Colonel. He resigned from the Marines in late April after months of testifying in the Iran-contra hearings.

Donna Rice, ex-girlfriend of Gary Hart, posed for Playboy before getting and losing the modeling job for "No Excuses" jeans. The new 'model' is Joan Rivers whose contract for the 'Late Show' on the Fox Network was not renewed.

AIDS was still a big issue in the news. People were protesting the spread of AIDS, the lack of knowledge about AIDS, and the treat-

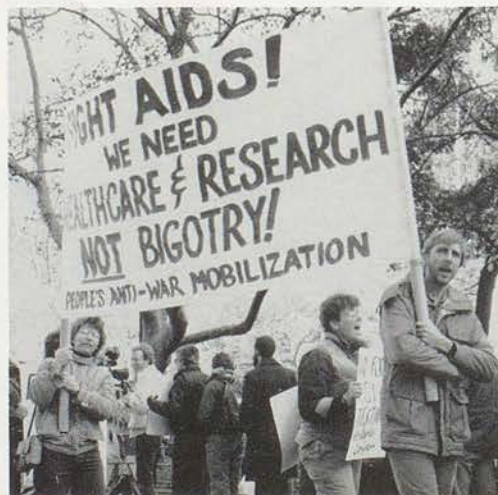


ment of AIDS patients by the public.

Whitney Houston scored big with her second album, "Whitney", proving that money is the 'Greatest Love of All'.

In many American schools, Spuds Mackenzie, the spokesperson (dog) for Bud Light beer was viciously banned. However, Mackenzie had no comment. He was too busy partying with Robin Leach.

Jessica McClure captured our hearts after being rescued from an abandoned well. She was there for 78 hours.





America mourned the passing of three top entertainers: Fred Astaire, dancing man; Liberace, pianist; and John Huston, film director. 1987 was also the year of big money. "Good Morning Vietnam" and "Fatal Attraction" pulled in huge amounts of money in their first weeks of release. Cher also scored big with an Oscar for "Moonstruck" also starring Nicholas Cage and Olympia Dukakis.

Donald Trump, billionaire from New York, made fantastic business trades, and wrote a book, "Trump: The Art of the Deal". This year alone he bought a yacht, a jet, a mansion, and built a huge office building that towers over the Manhattan Skyline.



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Best Movie	The Last Emperor
Best Actor	Michael Douglas
Best Actress	Cher
Best Supporting Actor	Sean Connery
Best Supporting Actress	Olympia Dukakis



THE TOP 10 ALBUMS OF 1987

1. Slippery When Wet—BonJovi
2. Bad—Michael Jackson
3. The Joshua Tree—U2
4. Whitney—Whitney Houston
5. Graceland—Paul Simon
6. Licensed to Ill—Beastie Boys
7. Whitesnake—Whitesnake
8. Rapture—Anita Baker
9. Back in the High Life—Steve Winwood
10. Invisible Touch—Genesis



Mr. Deaton filled the vacancy left by Mr. Bruns, giving Wathena a winning season. A lot of other exciting stuff has happened over the course of the year, and it's listed elsewhere in the book. It's been fun, and as Crazy George would say: I am outta here!!!
by Angie Baskins

CLUBS

Clubs are really exciting. I like beating people on the head with them.—George Jones



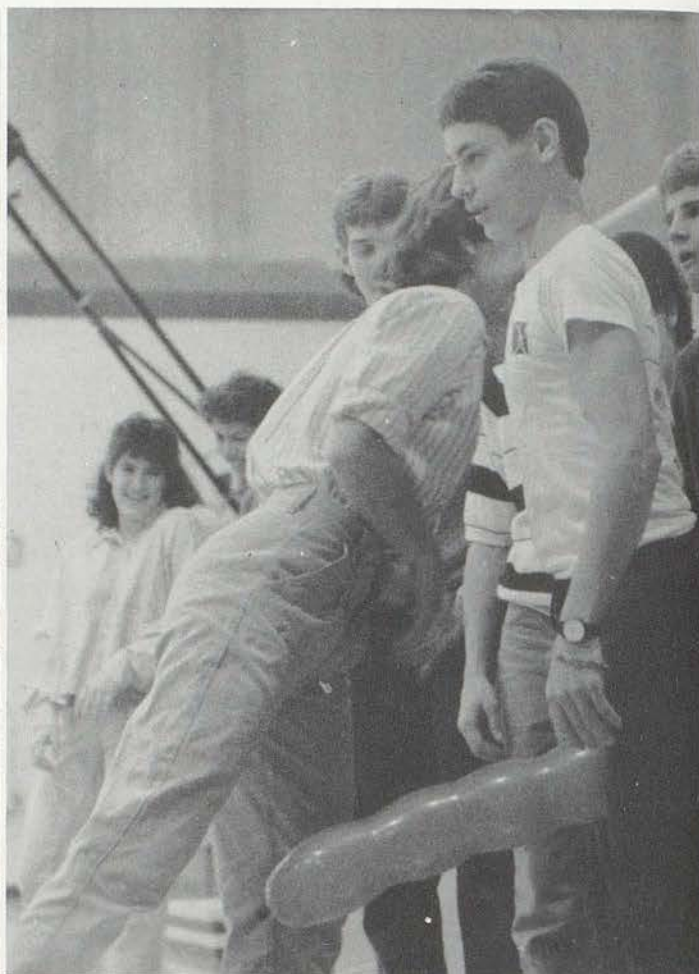
Here, put Brian up there too!—Members of FFA take a break and build a pyramid for the camera. photo by Janna Boos



Clubs are exciting and fun if you make them that way. It just depends on what is put into them by the members.—Nan Boos



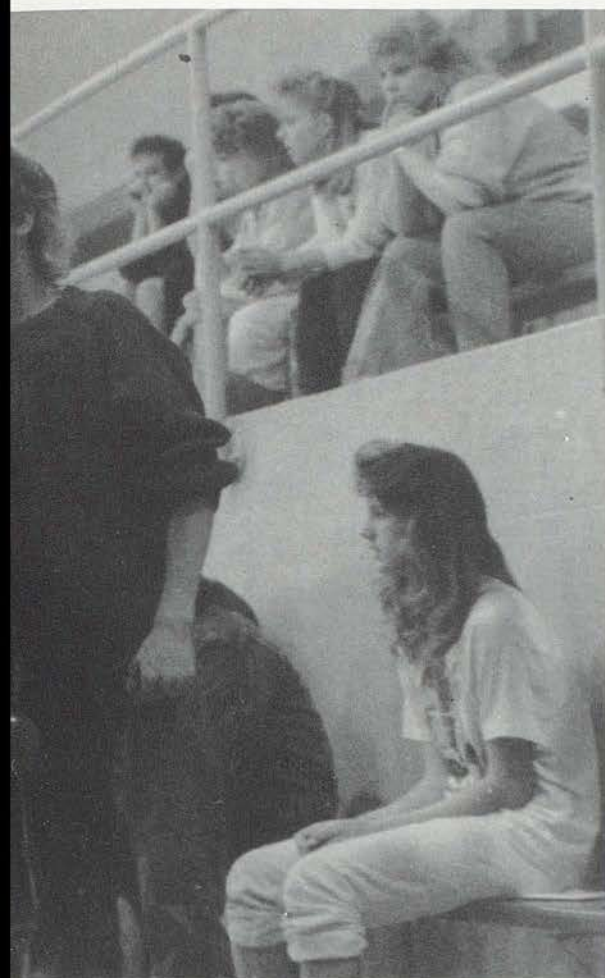
See Jim, it's all in the wrist—Bret Robison and Jim Tawzer cook the meat for the annual FFA hog roast. photo by Nicki Simpson



Clubs are great because they give the students something to do at school besides study.—Nicholle Haupt

"Cooking in Español"—The Spanish I, II, and III classes got involved in the cultural part of Mexico by cooking some authentic Mexican food. photo by Nicki Simpson

I have to run how far with this balloon?—Kurt Engemann and a group of other freshmen take part in a pep rally sponsored by the cheerleaders and the pep club. photo by Janna Boos



Students go

WILD over clubs

Something that makes school interesting and exciting for many students here at W.H.S. is the chance to participate in school organizations and clubs. They provide the chance to go places, see things, and meet people you might have otherwise never known.

"We have a wide variety of organizations at W.H.S., which is great," said Ms. Shaw, business teacher, "Students have many opportunities to participate in activities that they can relate to and enjoy. I wish everyone could be involved in some kind of club!"
By: Angela Spainhower



I like clubs because I get to go places, I get to meet people, and I get my picture in the year-book.—Brenda McVey

Asleep on the job, Mrs. Clark?—Mrs. Pam Clark did her duty as club sponsor by sponsoring two groups: the Pep Club, and the Business Club. photo by Nicki Simpson

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National Honor Society is an organization whose members are chosen for their leadership, service, character, and scholarship. For the 1987-88 school term seven new inductees were chosen.

For their activities, NHS worked at concession stands for the junior high and high school Quiz Bowl competitions, where they also helped time and keep score. April 21, they attended the Russian Exhibit at the Kansas City Munciple Auditorium, which was the first time this exhibit was shown in the United States. They then spent the rest of the afternoon shopping and eating lunch on the plaza.

"NHS gives students who are academically active and participate in extra-curricular activities an organization to partake in," Brenda Bauman said.

By Leann Krousa

NHS provides service and leadership

Make a wish—A few of the new NHS members blow at the induction candles after signing the membership book.—photo by Bray



A.J. Braithwait, Pres.



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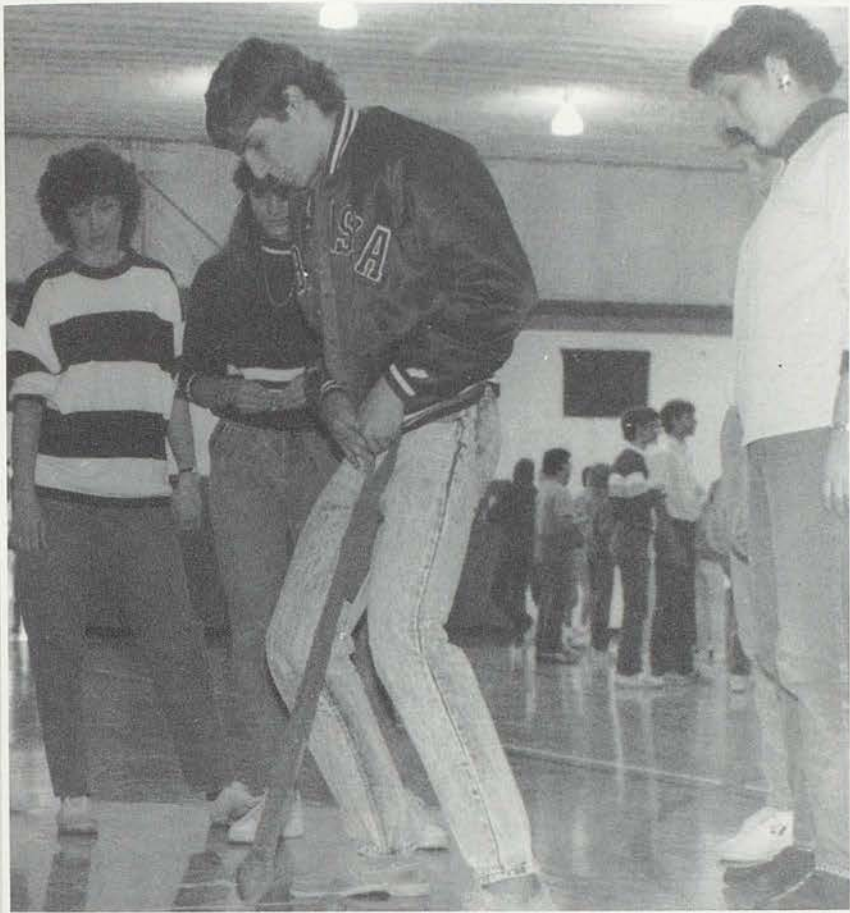


Janna Boos, Sec./Treas.

Front row—Mr. Burks, A.J. Braithwait, George Jones, Brandy Libel, Nicki Simpson, Isreal Elder, Jason Laipple, and Lisa Bauman. second row—Angie Baskins, Leann Krousa, Heidi Engemann, Joye Jones, Michelle Haupt, Brenda Bauman, Janna Boos, Leslie Cox, Brent Vertin, and Mary Beth Schmille. photo by Bray



STU CO goes for the gold



Swinging a potato between your legs, carrying a piece of popcorn between your lip and nose, what does all this mean?

These were some of the activities that took place during the Student Council Olympics for the Christmas holiday. There was also a sock hop and lunch box auction.

"We learn leadership skills and get involved in the decision making at school," Katy Elder said.

by Leann Krousa

Swing low sweet chariot—A.J. Braithwait does the potato swing in the Student Council Olympic Games while the seniors watch. photo by Janna Boos



Brenda Bauman, President



Heidi Engemann, Vice President



Nicki Simpson, Secretary



Wally Snodgrass, Treasurer

First row: A.J. Braithwait, Brenda Bauman, Heidi Engemann, Jason Laipple; second row: Leann Krousa, Michelle Haupt, Joyce Jones, Katy Elder, Nicki Simpson, Brent Vertin, Wally Snodgrass, Lisa Bauman, Tina Thomas, Janet Sharp, Jenifer McAdams.

Future Farmers of America is a club with a wide range of people. Their activity every year is to attend the Western Farm Show at Kemper Arena, Kansas City.

The club has two main money makers within the year: fruit sales, and the pig roast.

"It also gives me a chance to get to know some of the other members, who I wouldn't ordinarily know, because I'm not in many organizations," Guy Barton said.
by Leann Krousa

FFA provides new and exciting opportunities

Oh my gosh it's a cat—Chris Groh helps serve at the annual FFA hog roast. photo by Nicki Simpson



Wally Snodgrass, Pres.



Jason Laipple, V.P.



Edward Berger, Sec.



Deanne Studer, Treas.

Front row: Jason Laipple, Edward Berger, Brian Walker, Wally Snodgrass, Deanne Studer, Sandy Ramseier, Sharon Davis, Lisa Cox. Second row: Mr. Allen, Mike Bell, Jerry Hawkins, Jim Simerly, Jimmy Tawzer, Mike Long, Doug Bauman. Third row: David Steeby, Michael Colhour, Terry Bauman, Joe Ramseier, Guy Barton, Bret Robison. Fourth row: Billy Waltz, Jay Whitten, Chis Groh, Gary DeVault.



Back to nature and the wild side of things

Back to nature was the theme for the science club this year. The first activity for the group was their annual fall trip to Squaw Creek. The club is also planning a canoeing and hiking trip in Canada during the summer. The Science Club built wood duck and blue bird nesting boxes.

"I enjoy being in the Science Club because it gives students the opportunity to do things they may not be able to do otherwise," Heidi Engemann said.

Well if Yogi Bear can—Kurt Engemann tries to put up a tent with the help of Guy Barton during their trip to the woods. photo by Geary Engemann



Doug Bauman, President



A.J. Braithwait, Vice President



Heidi Engemann, Secretary



Nicki Simpson, Treasurer



First row: Doug Baumann, A.J. Braithwait; second row: Mr. Engemann, Guy Barton, Heidi Engemann, Angie Baskins, Chris Groh, Brain Fansher; third row: Nicki Masters, Tina Thomas, Nicki Simpson, Israel Elder, Jason Laipple, Kurt Engemann; fourth row: Jay Whitten, Brett Miller, Angie Shellenburger, Mitzi Juhl, Jay Hartman, Jim Simmerly, Paula Weishaar; fifth row: Tanya Drake, Brent Vertin, Jennifer McAdams, Kenya McCrory, Peggy Weishaar, Eva Schmille; sixth row: Nichole Haupt, Tara Deaton, Angela Theis, Sharon Davis, Lisa Geeting, David Steeby, Michelle Jackson.

Math Club gives students who are interested in math an opportunity to expand their learning beyond the classroom.

The Math Club participates in two math contests per year, one at Pittsburg State and the other at Emporia State.

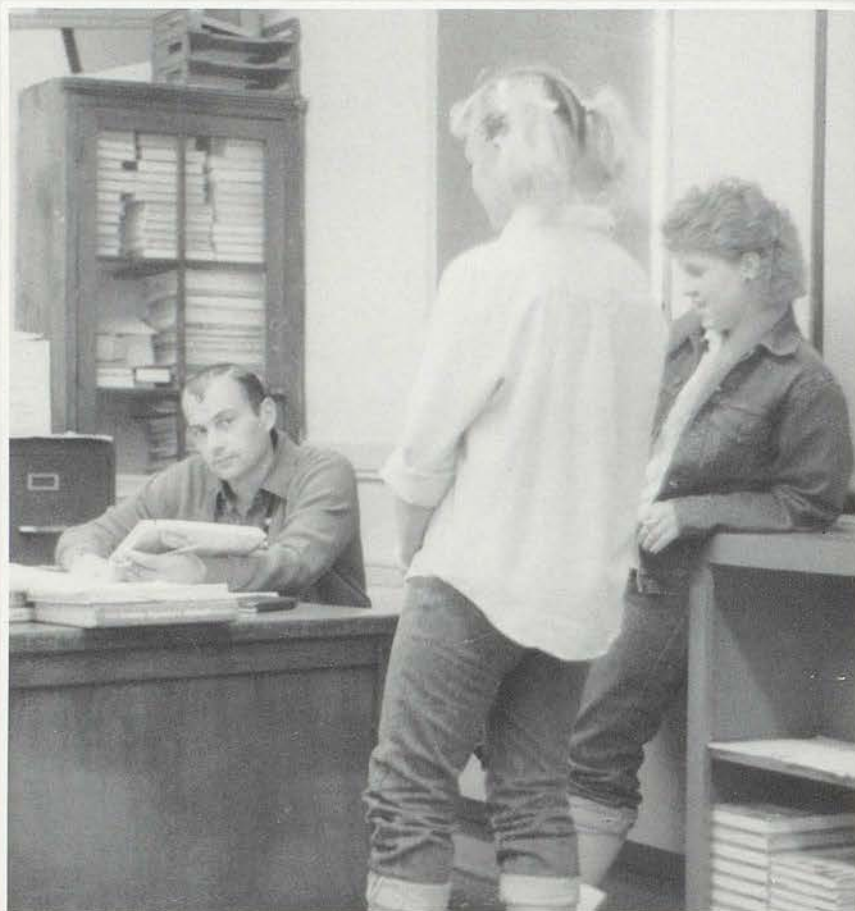
Students who are in Math Club are inspired by the teachings of Saxon and Sandy.

"Math Club is a lot of fun, but don't ever take senior math," Brent Vertin said.

By Leann Krousa and Brenda Bauman

Hi, LaVerne, it's Squiggy—Mr. Sandy finds enough time during spirit week to explain a problem to Michelle Haupt and Joyce Jones in senior math class. photo by Janna Boos

Expanding the mind



Brent Vertin, Pres.



A.J. Braithwait, V.P.



Doug Bauman, Sec.

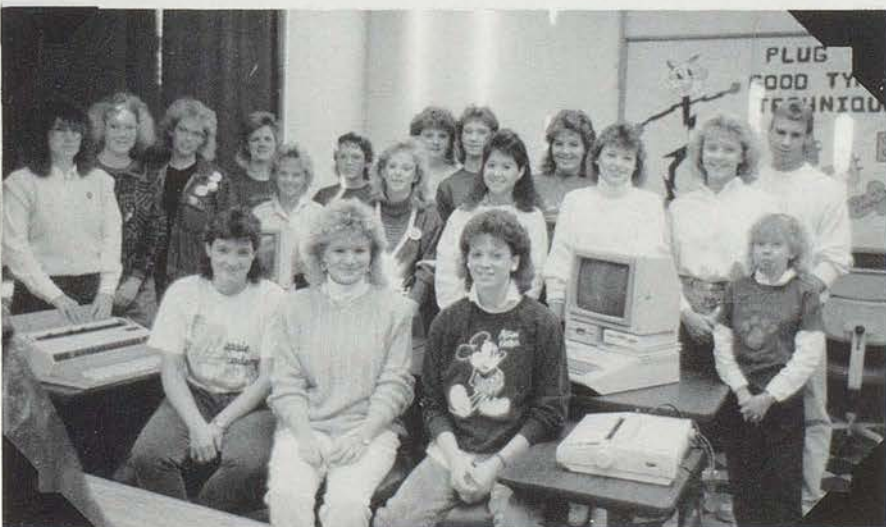


Michelle Haupt, Treas.



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Business is booming in "88"



The Business Club made an explosion this year placing two members in their first business contest at the Vo Tech in Atchison. The second contest was at Highland College where five members placed.

For money makers, the club sold stuffed animals for Valentines Day. The club used their money to have a business banquet again at the end of the year.

By Leann Krousa

No, I'm ignoring you Janet.— Brenda McVey, Janet Sharp, and Joanne McMullen take time off from doing their accounting. photo by Janna Boos



Janet Sharp, Pres.



A.J. Braithwait, V.P.



Angie Spainhower, Sec.



Brenda McVey, Treas.

Front row: Janet Sharp, Angie Spainhower, Brenda McVey, second row: Mrs. Shaw, Lisa Cluck, Tonya Juhl, Leslie Cox, Rhonda Clary, Vickie Tafoya, Sheila Clark, Michelle Haupt, Amy Dittmore. third row: Janelle Weber, Traci Van Wey, Shelly Weeks, Sue Remmers, Nicki Masters, Brandy Libel. photo by Bray

Opening the curtain to a new year.

Front row: Tonya Juhl, Sarah Groh, Angie Baskins, Leann Krousa, second row: Brenda McVey, Mary Beth Schmille, Annette Weishaar, Nicki Simpson, third row: Brenda Bauman, Janna Boos, Heidi Engemann, Todd Michaels, fourth row: Eddie Poirier, George Jones, Katy Elder, Sheila Clark, Doug Bauman, Jay Hartman.



Katy Elder, president



Doug Bauman, V.P.



Janna Boos, secretary



Brenda Bauman, treas.

"I ought to be in pictures"—
Speech and Drama Club took their
annual trip to Tiffany's Attic to see
Traci Gold, from *Growing Pains*, star
in the production "I Ought to Be in
Pictures". photo by Janna Boos



Speech and Drama Club was acting out the new year with style. They had many activities planned, including preparation for the demanding all-school musical.

This year most of the members were either in, or were working in the play, **Once Upon A Mattress**.

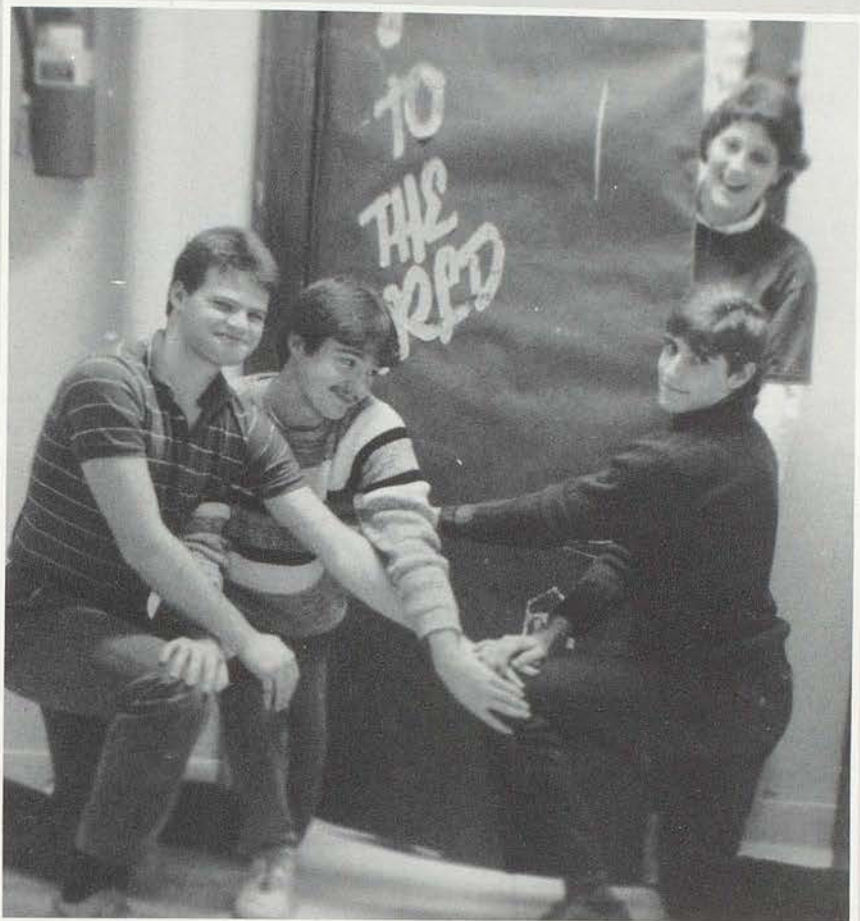
For activities, the Speech and Drama Club took a trip to Crown Center to see the play, **Little Shop of Horrors** and went to Tiffany's Attic to see **I Ought to Be in Pictures** which starred Traci Gold of "Growing Pains".

Being in Speech and Drama Club will help me in the future, because I'm going to be a lawyer. It also helps me get involved in things going on at school," Michelle Jackson said.

by Leann Krousa



Questions, quizzes, and answers



The Quiz Bowl team practices most of the year, right through lunch for the upcoming meets. Who wrote Mother Pearl Earth? What is the Bay of Pigs? Who is Helen of Troy? These are trivial questions the Quiz Bowl is faced with during practice or at the meets. They must be prepared to answer any questions concerning literature, history, science, Spanish, math, anything that may be socially significant, or trivial.

The Quiz Bowl attended 5 to 6 meets for the 1987-88 school term. The county meet was hosted here at Wathena February 17, where they won second place. They also made an outstanding performance at the League meet where they won another second place.

"Quiz Bowl made me a quick thinker, and I acquired a lot of useful information. These skills should help me in the future," Katy Elder said.
By Leann Krousa

The billionaire boy's club—Heidi Engemann watches while A.J. Braithwait, Doug Baumann, and Brent Vertin all joke around while working on the science door for Christmas decorations. photo by Nicki Simpson



Doug Bauman



Katy Elder



Heidi Engemann



Angie Baskins



George Jones

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First row—A.J. Braithwait, Heidi Engemann, George Jones, Mr. Engemann, Angie Baskins, and Kurt Engemann. photo by Bray
second row—Michelle Jackson, Jason Laipple, Katy Elder,

The pep club was "filled with pride" this year. For uniforms the pep club wore their t-shirts that the School Board had purchased for the student body.

This year they made spirit signs with candy to hang on the lockers to boost the teams' spirits.

"A special thanks goes out to Brice Libel who was our Wildcat Mascot this year," Mrs. Clark, pep club sponsor, commented.

by Brenda Bauman and Leann Krousa

***Aaahh swoosh**—the Pep Club members and other energetic fans stand up to cheer on one of the basketball players shooting a free throw. photo by Angie Baskins*



Heidi Engemann, Pres.



Tina Thomas, V.P.



Tara Deaton, Sec.



Amy Dittimore, Treas.

***Say Aahh**—Pep Club members cheer on the team during a basketball game at Horton. photo by Angie Baskins*

Wildcats are: Filled with pride



Flag Corp a new twist at WHS



The flag team is an old tradition that has been re-added to the Wathena extra-curricular activities after some interest was shown.

The flag team marched with the band at KU Band Day and at the Missouri Western Homecoming Parade.

The flag team had three routines this year and they were to "Bad" by Michael Jackson, "Fantasy" by Aldo Nova, and "I Think We're Alone Now" by Tiffany. The flag girls also joined the cheerleaders this year in a routine to the song "Brass Monkey".

"Even though there were troubled times we still had a lot of fun," Reggie McVey, head flag, said.

By Leann Krousa and Brenda Bauman

Hold 5,6,7,8—Reggie McVey and Sandy Jones pause during a flag routine performed at a basketball halftime. photo by Angie Baskins



Reggie McVey, Head



Sue Remmers



Christel Morris



Vickie Tafoya



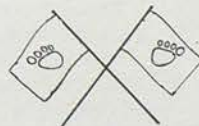
Sandy Jones



Jamie Orcutt



First row—Vickie Tafoya, Sandy Jones, Jamie Orcutt. second row—Christel Morris, Reggie McVey, and Sue Remmers. photo by Bray



Making their appearance known

The chorus has been very active this year in preparing for contests and performances.

The chorus is active in many activities such as the Fall Pops concert, the annual Christmas program, League Clinic at Benedictine College, State Chorus Contest for large groups at Shawnee Mission East where they received a I rating, and the Spring Contest.

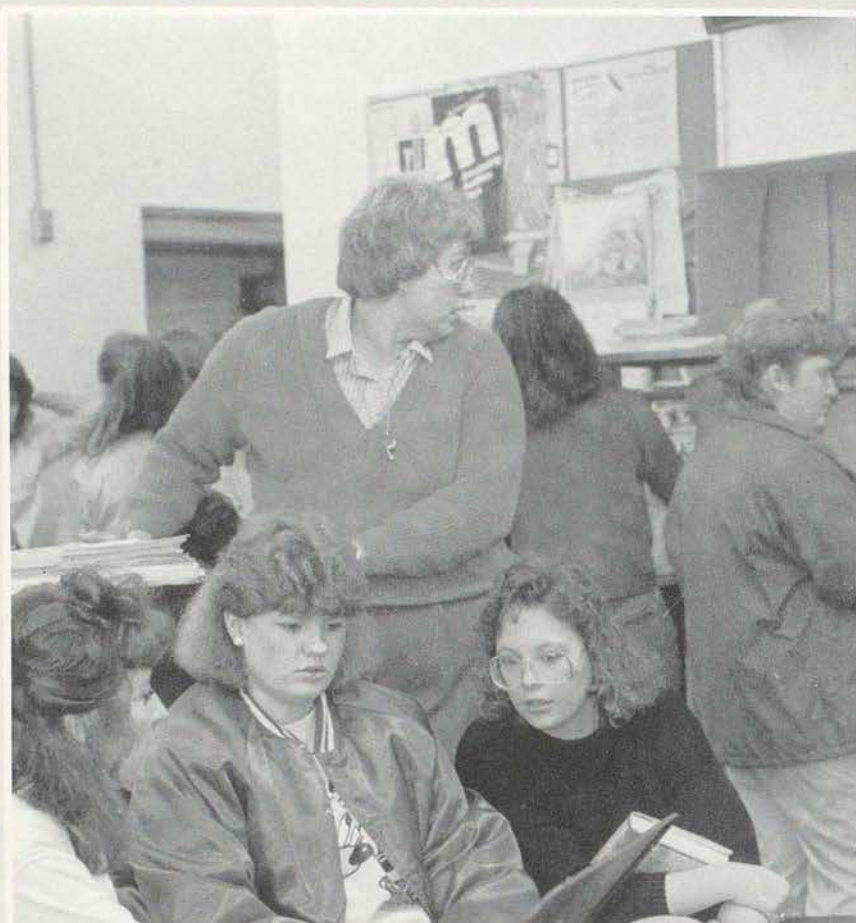
By Leann Krousa

Places everyone.—Mrs. Shmidt directs the chorus class to sit down to begin practicing for the Christmas program. photo by Janna Boos



Pay attention to me when I'm talking to you.—Tanya Drake yells at Todd Michaels for turning away to smile at the camera while she talks to him. photo by Janna Boos

Front row: Eva Schmile, Nicole Haupt, Jo Wyatt, Tara Deaton, Peggy Weishaar, Nan Boos, Leslie Cox, Anginette McAdams, Sandy Ramseier, Sharon Davis, Vicki Tafoya. second row: Kay Wyatt, Leslie Koehler, Jennifer McAdams, Michelle Beattie, Mary Beth Schmile, Lana Schultz, Jamie Orcutt, Angie Baskins, Billi Jo Steeby, Leann Krousa, Nicki Simpson. third row: Angela Theis, Jason Christman, Angie Davis, Lisa Cox, Sarah Groh, Sandy Jones, Heidi Engemann, Angela Newcomb, Janelle Weber, Lisa Cluck, Nicki Masters. fourth row: Tim Witt, Chris Witt, Lisa Bauman, Deanne Studer, Angie Shellenberger, Natlie Ruhnke, Brenda McVey, Sheila Clark, Shelly Weaks, Christel Morris, Tanya Drake, Kenya McCorory. fifth row: Terry Hartley, Tonya Juhl, Sheila Merrit, Michene Haupt, Brenda Bauman, Janna Boos, Katy Elder, Chad McCoy, Craig Hayes, Brain Ptomey. sixth row: Mrs. Shmidt, Billy Walts, Josh Elder, George Jones, Israel Elder, Jay Hartman, Tony Force, Todd Michaels. photo by Bray



Marching to the beat of a different drummer.



The band is active in many activities such as the Fall Pops concert, the annual Christmas program, League Clinic at Benedictine College, State Band Contest for large groups at Shawnee Mission East, the Spring Concert. The band also participates in the parade and half time entertainment at KU Band Day and this year they were in the Homecoming parade for Missouri Western State College.
by Brenda Bauman and Leann Krousa

What are you doing behind my back?—Mrs. Schmidt apprehensively looks behind her back to see what the students are doing as they wait for the bell to ring. photo by Janna Boos



Are we all playing the same song?—Mrs. Schmidt tries not to cringe as the band practices music for the upcoming basketball game. photo by Janna Boos



Front row: Sarah Groh, Eva Schmille, Robbin Hartman, Paula Weishaar, Brenda McVey, Sheila Clark, Tonya Juhl, Jennifer McAdams, Tara Deaton, Nicholle Haupt, Peggy Weishaar, Kurt Engemann. second row: Anginette McAdams, Natalie Ruhnke, Angie Spainhower, Brenda Bauman, Joyce Jones, Janna Boos, Jamie Orcutt, Kenya McCrory, Paige Studer, Angie Baskins, Mary Beth Schmille. third row: Crishia Orcut, Katherine Bauman, Shelly Weaks, Heidi Engemann, Sandy Jones, Michelle Haupt, Lisa Geeting, Lesley Koehler, Edward Berger, Jason Laipple. fourth row: Jay Hartman, Brett Miller, Lisa Bauman, Nan Boos, Chris Kucan, Josh Elder, Janet Sharp, Damon Hansen. fifth row: Doug Bauman, Tony Force, Kiley Rice, Chris Groh, Angela Theis, Duston Hansen, Mrs. Schmidt.

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My most memorable moment happened on a normal day at school during lunch. Terry Bauman started teasing Sheila Merrit about her food. She got so mad, she dumped her salad all over his head. Salad dressing was running down his head and everyone was laughing at him. He just sat there and didn't move while everyone laughed. He finally ran out and got cleaned up. Terry was teasing and bothering Sheila when she dumped her food on him so neither one of them got in trouble. I couldn't believe what had happened. It was the funniest thing I've ever seen. Craig Hayes.



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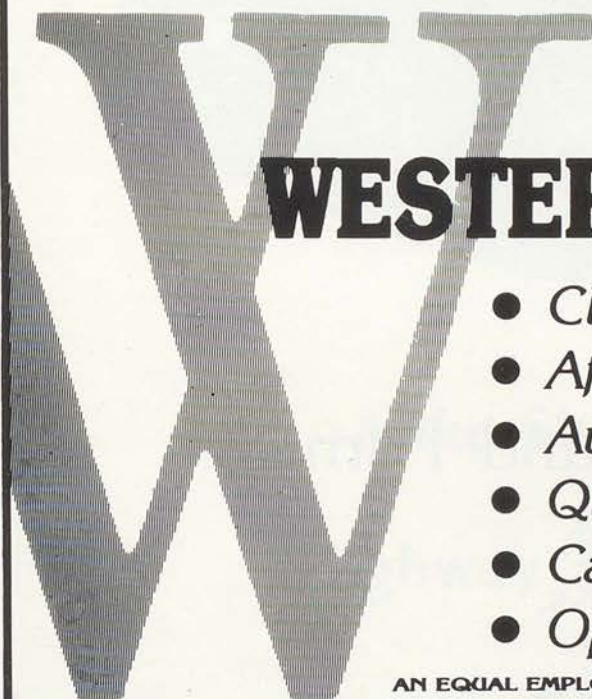


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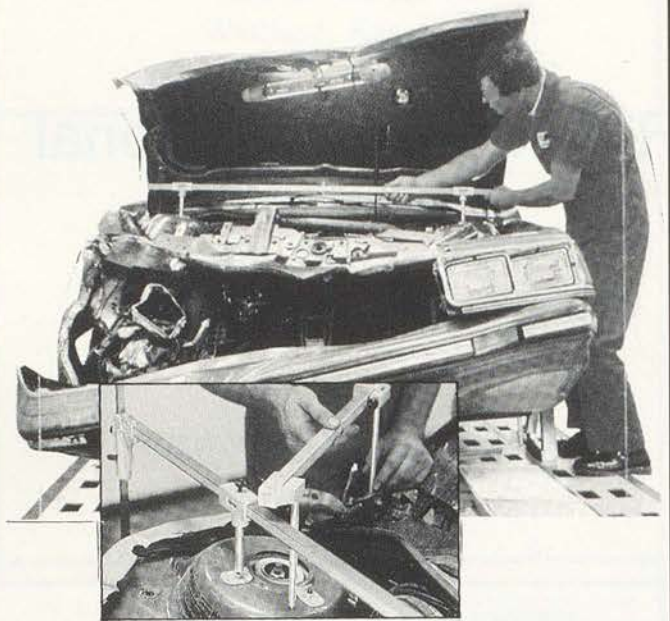
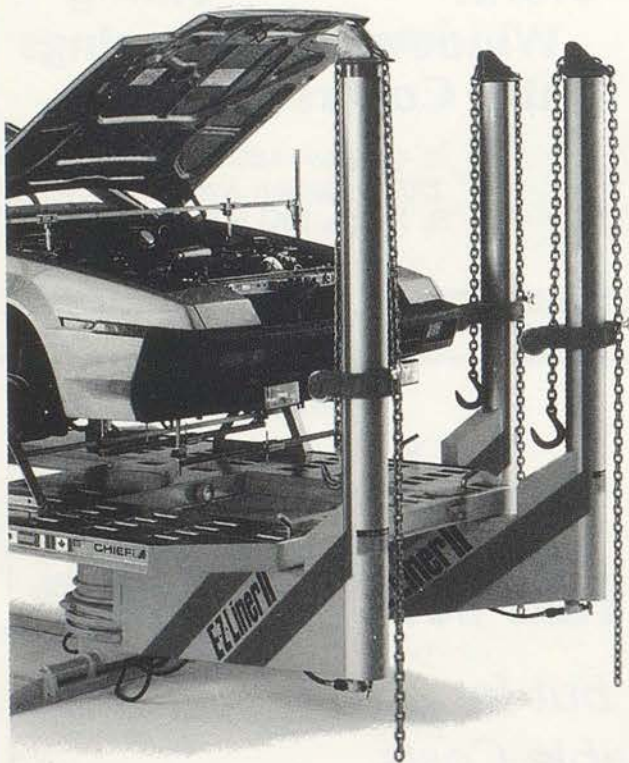
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My most memorable moment was the first day I was here at Wathena. Terry Bauman was sitting by me in lunch and shaking his milk, pretending he was going to spill it on me. He squeezed it too hard and it spilled all over my head. My whole class was sitting by me and Terry was afraid he was going to get in trouble. He started saying he was sorry over and over. Anna Webb



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My most memorable moment was when Leann and I were cleaning out our lockers. We had that big trash can with the wheels on the bottom of it and were throwing all of our trash in it. Well, I was being stupid and got in it and told Leann to push me. Leann pushed me alright, and not only did she push me real hard, she let go and I went flying straight for the library window, where the book displays are. Luckily as I was about to hit it someone grabbed the side of the trash can and stopped it. So, here I was trying to climb out of the trash can laughing and yelling at Leann when Ms. Deaton comes walking out of the library. I knew I would be in trouble so I had to hurry up and get out of the trash can without falling over before Ms. Deaton saw me. —Annette Weishaar



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My most memorable moment was when I was a freshman. In chorus, David Tubbs always pushed all the freshmen around and acted bad. Well, once when he hit me I hit him back. My hand got caught on his shirt and ripped four of his buttons off. Tony Force

I don't really have a most memorable moment, but if you want to call my eighth grade graduation a memorable moment you can. I don't really know how I passed, with the grades I had, but I did. I didn't know if I had passed, but when I got to practice for graduation with everyone else, I knew I had. Michael Colhour



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My most memorable moment was during a football game. It was fourth down. I dropped back to punt the football. We were winning the game by about six points at the time. I felt like a real monster stud. All I had to do was kick the ball anywhere forward and we'd win the game. The ball came spiraling back at me, I caught it, and then kicked it for all I was worth. (Right into the back of A.J. Braithwait.) The other team recovered the ball and later took it in for the winning score. I had successfully made my mark on our 2-7 season. George Jones

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My most memorable moment was during my freshman year one day when I was leaving school with my sister, Sheila. We drove around the corner and the door flew open. I reached out to grab it and fell out of the car. Sheila didn't know I fell out at first and so she didn't slow down. She was dragging me down the street. I finally let go

and she stopped and I was laying in a mud puddle. Heidi Engemann



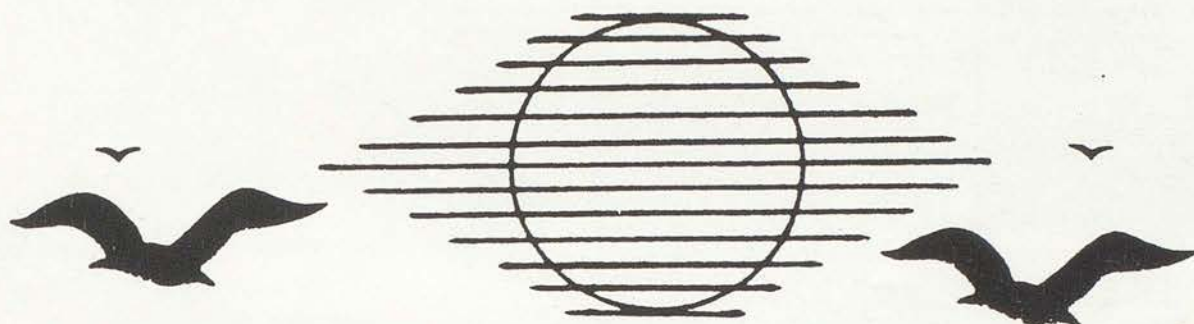
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My most memorable moment was my sophomore year. It happened in football practice. It was an easy practice. We were just in shorts, shoulder pads, and helmets. Mr. Deaton was talking to the defense. A.J. Braithwait came up from behind and stuck a worm down Brett Miller's shorts. Brett didn't know what it was until we told him. You should have seen him squirm and then his face

turned beet red. He dropped his shorts so fast to get that worm out. Everybody was laughing at Brett, even Mr. Deaton. Chad McCoy

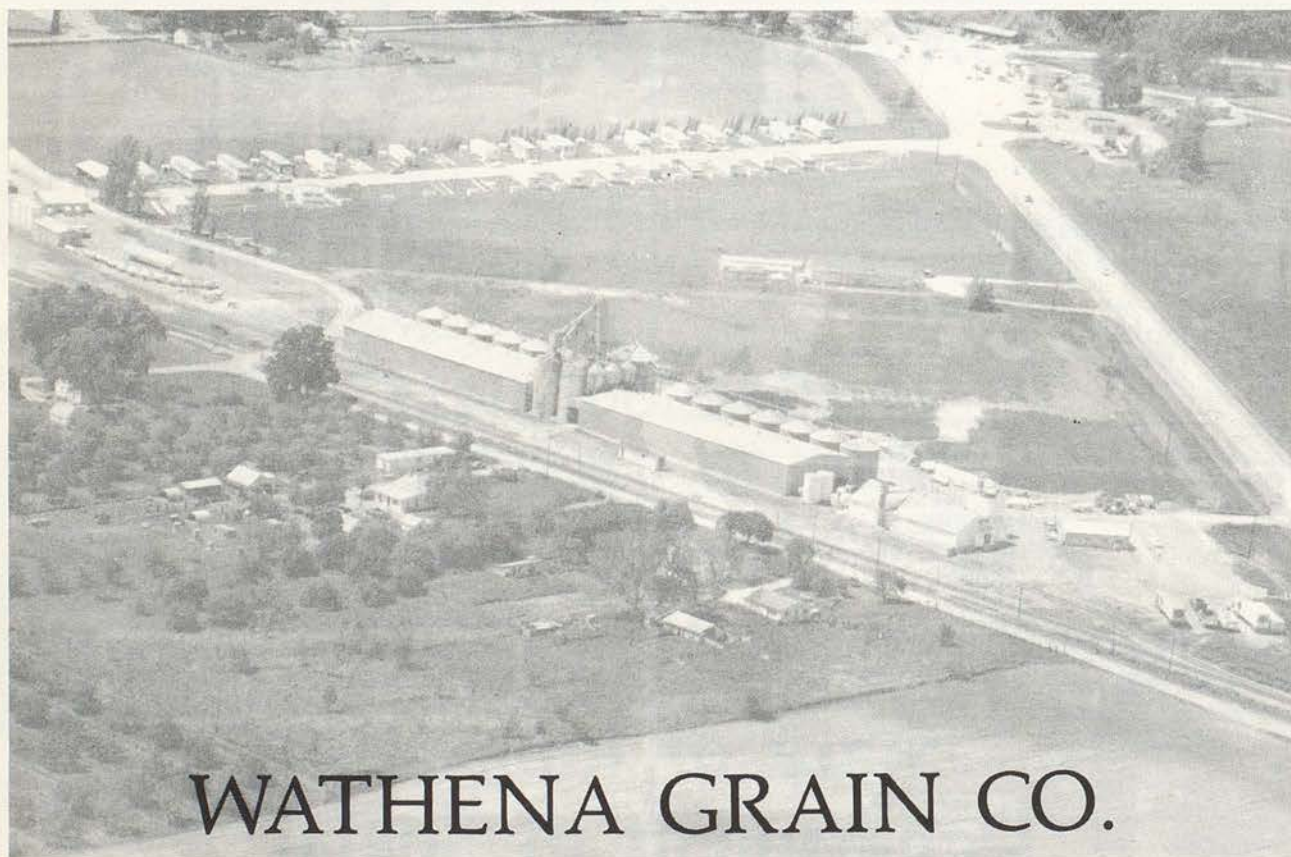


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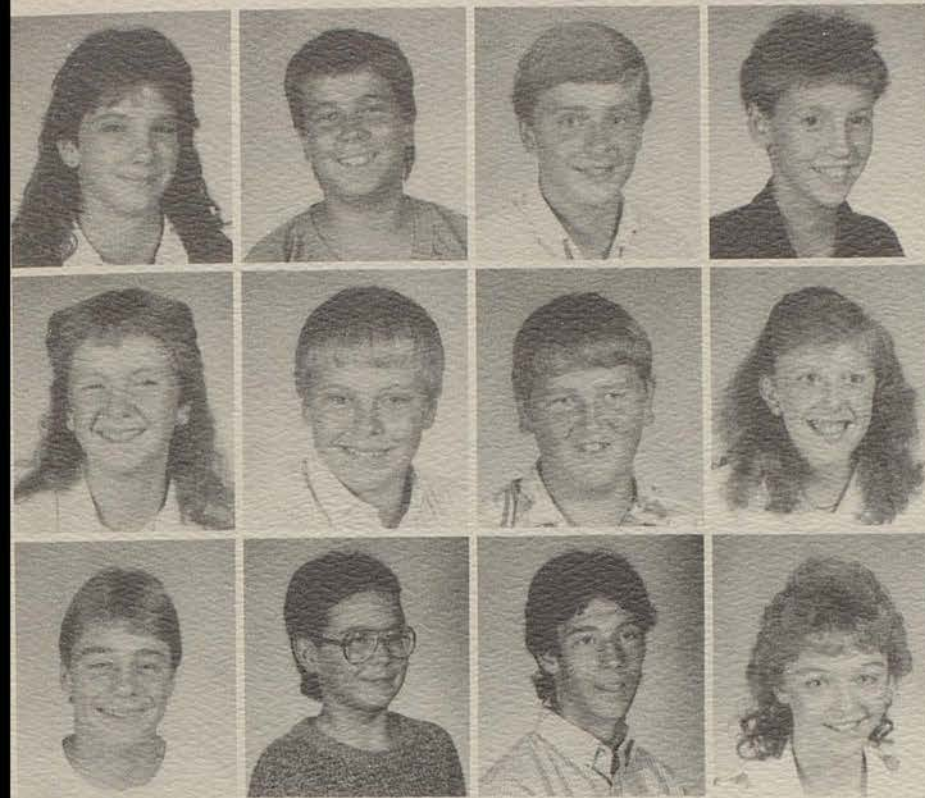
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Class officers—Rodger Karn, president; Ron Gabriel, vice-president; Zeb Prawl, secretary; and Brenda Sigrist, treasurer. photo by Janna Boos





Higgins, Heather
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Prawl, Zeb
Ptomey, Angie

Robison, Sheila
Schmidt, John
Schmille, Matt
Shorb, Natalie

Sigrist, Brandon
Simpson, Jason
Smith, Curt
Thorton, Shelly



Vertin, Krishna

Oh my gosh!—Ron Gabriel makes an amazing discovery during science class. photo by Nicki Simpson



Say what?—Shelly Thorton can't believe what she has just heard about her boyfriend. photo by Nicki Simpson



Front row Sheila Robinson, Shelly Thorton, Tisha Geeting, Natalie Shorb, Beth Bembrick, Angie Ptomey, Krishna Vertin, Heather Higgins, Kellie Foster, Samantha Bauman, and Tisha Geeting, **second row**—Scott Davis, Ron Gabriel, Zeb Prawl, Sean Hawkins, Darren Baskins, Jeff Colhour, Brian Bauman, Jason Arthur, and Dana Gerardy, **third row**—Mrs. Allison Ford, Curt Smith, Roger Karn, Matt Schmille, Brandon Sigrist, Mike Blanton, Ryan Hartman, Jesse Gabriel, Jason Simpson, John Schmidt, Frank Hall, and Mrs. Earlene Campbell. photo by Bray



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Beattie, Melanie
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Braithwait, Jill
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Deaton, Tonya
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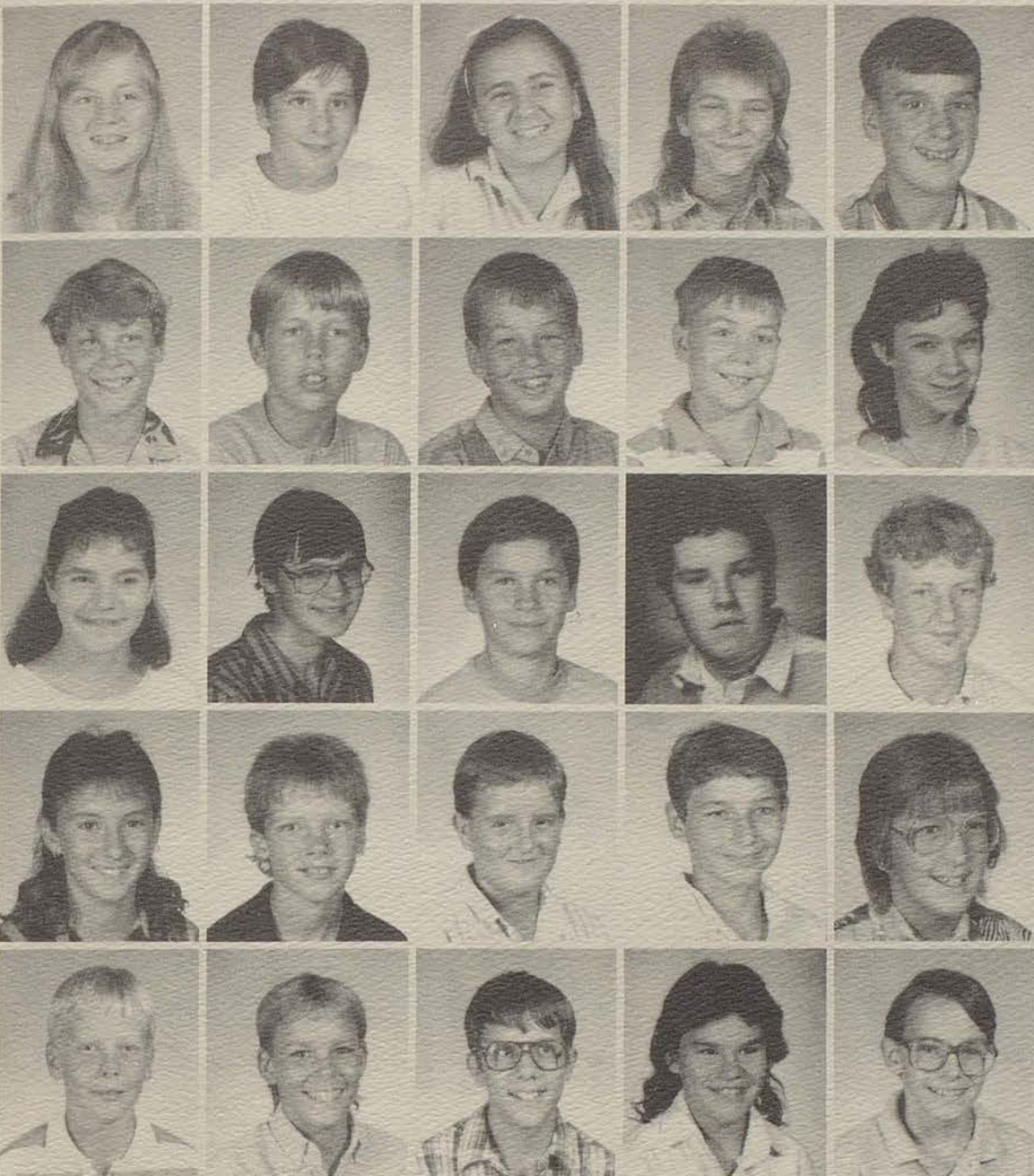
Earth to Tim, come in Tim—Tim Rathman catches a quick daydream during Math time. photo by Nicki Simpson



I'm so confused—Tonya Deaton and Susan Kimsey look in the card catalog for some references. photo by Nicki Simpson



Front row Terri Bahr, Monica Scott, Tonya Deaton, Susan Kimsey, Yvonne Harbison, Sheri Ramseier, Melanie Beattie, Melissa Steeby, Curt Eversgerd, Brian McCoy, and Pete Studer, second row—Kathy Betts, Jill Braithwait, Jody Bauman, Marty Cornwell, Sandy Newcomb, Julie Elam, Julie Bauman, Marcie Israel, Jenifer Woosley, Adams Franks, Joshua Livingston, and Jeremy Miller, third row—Miss Janet Sisson, Peter Russo, Travis Williams, Bobby Schultz, Mark Worthen, Bud Simmons, and Mrs. Jan Glenn, fourth row—Mattheu Laipple, Chris Jackson, Tim Rathman, Damiean Erickson, Eric Hartman, Jeff Hartman, Chris Miller, Duane Weishoar, Denny Rohrer, Amos Nelson, and Brian Ross. photo by Bray



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 Jackson, Chris
 Juhl, Jessica
 Kimsey, Susan
 Laipple, Matthew*

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 Miller, Jeremy
 Nelson, Amos
 Newcomb, Sandy*

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*Class officers—Bud Simmons, president;
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Ready for the switch?

"The biggest change for the eighth grade will probably be more work. Everybody adapts when they have to," Earlene Campbell, 8th grade teacher.



Allison Ford, 8th grade teacher.



"SLURP" it up Jason! Jason Simpson eats spaghetti at lunch. photo by Janna Boos.



Since this year's 8th grade is the first class that has not had to change from the self contained classrooms, some people wonder how they'll adapt to the high school environment. How does the average 8th grader see academic work in high school, compared to the academic work in junior high?

"I don't think that there will be that much of a change", Krisha Vertin said. "Everybody thinks that



What the heck is this guys??? Mrs. Campbell, Sheila Robison, and Shelly Thorton are examining the metamorphic stage of insects. photo by Janna Boos.

Lawrence Welk try outs. John Schmidt and Rodger Karn play their trombones in band. photo by Janna Boos.

there's going to be a big difference in the school work and just trying to get along," Vertin added.

As usual, there are other students that don't quite agree with this point.

"I think that there will be a big change in my freshman year because of the classroom changes and the more competitive sports," Jesse Gabriel said.



You bet we're hungry!!!—Rodger Karn, John Schmidt, and Frank Hall wait in line to get their lunch. photo by Janna Boos.



2 + 2 = 4. Heather Higgins works hard in Mrs. Cambells class. photo by Nicki Simpson.

Linda are you concentrating???—Linda Gould works hard on an English assignment. photo by Nicki Simpson.



E.T. phone home???—Frank Hall talks on the phone during a play for the drama class. photo by Janna Boos.



Shoveling food at the speed of light—Ryan Hartman, Brandon Sigrist, Zeb Prawl, Sean Hawkins, Jesse Gabriel, and Frank Hall "shovel" in their food during lunch. photo by Janna Boos.



She likes it! She likes it!—Kellie Foster, Angie Ptomey, Krisha Vertin, Tisha Geeting, and Heather Higgins take time out to laugh during lunch. photo by Janna Boos.



You shoot me and I'll tell Mr. Heaton—Ron Gabriel and Zeb Prawl act out a scene during drama class. photo by Janna Boos.



The piper of Wathena?—Terri Bahr looks on her music during her junior high band class. photo by Janna Boos

Now this is a serious student—Sheri Ramseier listens intently while her seventh grade teacher speaks. photo by Janna Boos

All that JAZZ!—Wendell Snodgrass seems to be concentrating very hard on his band music. Photo by Janna Boos



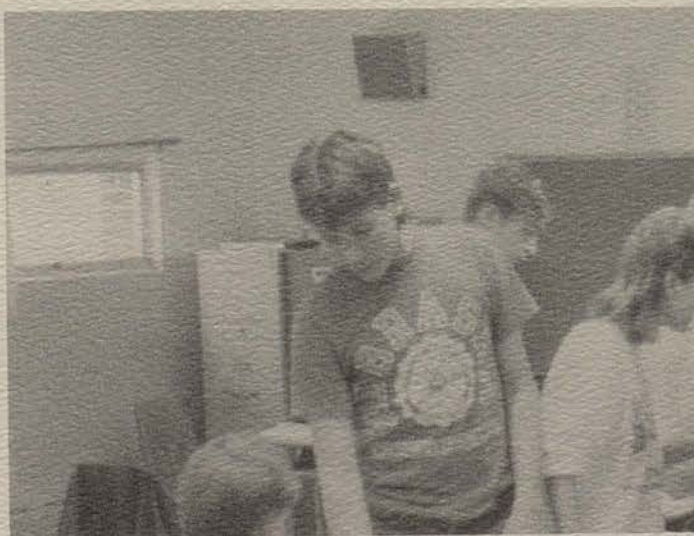
No time for naps—Seventh grader Adam Franks looks like he is trying to catch a few extra zzzz's. Photo by Janna Boos



Boy, do I love to get out of class—Monica Scott listens carefully while being questioned by the school yearbook staff. photo by Janna Boos

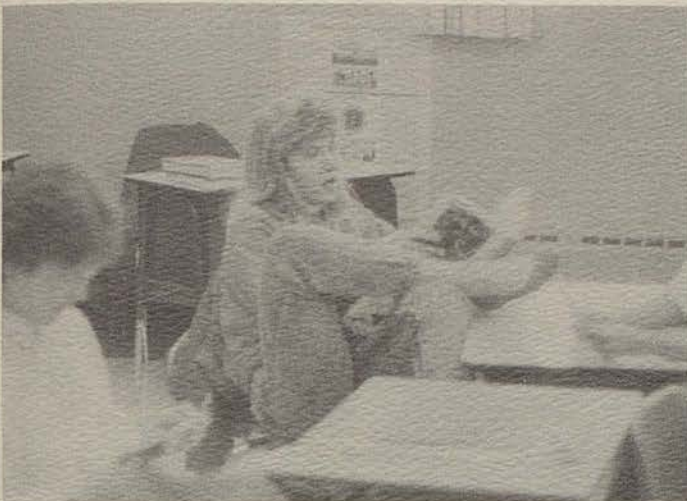


I can't wait until Friday!—Seventh grader Damian Erickson looks as though he can't wait to get some time off from school. photo by Janna Boos



Well, what do we have here?—Eric Hartman seems to be checking out a classmate's things while in Mrs. Ford's seventh grade class. photo by Janna Boos

7th grade: Preparing for a change



Seventh grade is a time for preparing the kids for the big change from grade school to high school. That is what I am trying to accomplish." Miss Janet Sisson, 7th grade teacher.



Mrs. Janet Glenn, 7th grade teacher



Ahhh. A chance to relax—Jill Braithwait takes a break after a hard day in her seventh grade classroom. photo by Janna Boos

Are the stocks up? —Pete Studer, Brian McCoy, and Wendell Snodgrass examine the stock market results for a class assignment. photo by Janna Boos

This is where it all begins. The change from grade school students to high school students. The beginning of team sports, dances, and clubs. The things that are learned during these two crucial years are not always from books. For instance, students can learn responsibility, team work, concentration, and can also gain maturity.

for high school, I stress different methods of study because everyone is better off when they have found a way of studying that suits them the best," says Miss Janet Sisson, a seventh grade teacher. "I feel I have a wonderful group of kids this year. I have seen a great deal of growth and improvement in their approach to work and their attitudes.

How did you get a better grade than me? —Peter Russo, Susan Kimsey, Bobby Schalz seem to be comparing grades during grade card time. photo by Janna Boos

by Angela Spainhower

Junior high rocks the music world



Singin' the Blues - Chris Eversgerd and Josh Livingston vocarize chorus. photo by Nicki Simpson

Band

First row Peter Ruso, Tisha Geeting, Beth Benbrick, Julie Bauman, Marcie Israel, Kellie Foster, Terri Bahr, Tonya Deaton, Jill Braithwait, Monica Scott, Melissa Steeby, Susan Kimsey, Jessica Juhl. **second row** Darren Baskins, Pete Studer, Joshua Livingston, Natalie Shorb, Angie Ptomey, Jeremy Miller, Matthew Laipple, Adam Franks, Mrs. Schmidt, sponsor. **third row** Tim Rathman, Yvonne Harbison, Amos Nelson, Julie Elam, Eric Hartman, Jason Simpson, Zeb Prawl. **fourth row** Denny Rohrer, Marty Cornwell, Jennifer Woosely, Curt Eversgerd, Bobby Schultz, Rodger Karn, John Schmidt, Matt Schmilke. **fifth row** Duane Weishaar, Josh Silvy, Heather Higgins, Jeff Hartman, Brian Bauman, Brian McCoy.



Chorus

First row Sandy Newcomb, Yvonne Harbison, Sheila Robison, Melanie Beattie, Sherri Ramseier, Julie Bauman, Jennifer Woosley, Brian McCoy, Curt Eversgerd, Joshua Livingston. **Second row** Amos Nelson, Marty Cornwell, Shelly Thornton, Natalie Shorb, Marcie Israel, Jessica Juhl, Bud Simmons, Pete Studer, Duane Weishaar. **third row** Linda Simpson, sponsor, Mark Worthen, Chris Jackson, Tim Rathman, Danieon Erickson, Eric Hartman, Wendell Snodgrass, Chris Miller, Brian Ross, Denny Rhohrer, Adam Franks.





Bah, Bah, Bah, a cheerleader Heather Higgins and Nicole Prunty watch the scoreboard at a junior high football game. photo by Diana Boos.

Something to cheer about

Cheerleaders

Bottom row Krisha Vertin, Jill Braithwait, Terry Bahr, **top row** Nicole Dennis, Tonya Deaton.



Pep club

First row Sheila Robison, Shelly Thornton, Terri Bahr, Jill Braithwait, Tonya Deaton, Nicole Dennis, Krisha Vertin, Ryan Hartman, Jason Simpson, **second row** Natalie Shorb, Tisha Geeting, Christie Geiler, Samantha Bauman, Kellie Foster, Heather Higgins, Angie Ptomey, Frank Hall, Jesse Gabriel, **third row** Beth Bembrick, Scott Davis, Matt Schmile, Ron Gabriel, Sean Hawkins, Zeb Prawl, Mike Blanton, Brandon Sigrist, Curt Smith, Darren Baskins, **fourth row** Allison Ford sponsor, Duane Weishaar, Curt Eversgerd, Bobby Schultz, Jeremy Miller, Melissa Steeby, Susan Kimsey, Sheri Ramseier, Julie Elam, Sandy Newcomb, **fifth row** Eric Hartman, Jessica Juhl, Julie Bauman, Monica Scott, Marcie Israel.

'Cats have decent season

Although their record may look a bit shaky, Coach Mike Leach is far from disappointed in his junior high football team.

"We played some really tough competition and did pretty well," Leach said.

The season started off on a bright note with a 30-0 win over Troy.

"It was great beating Troy. If there was anyone we wanted to beat, it was Troy," Ron Gabriel, eighth grader said.

The biggest disappointment was the second game against Highland. It was a cold, rainy night, but the 'Cats played hard enough to score. The slick ball and the mud kept the 'Cats defense from stopping Highland from scoring twice, ending the game 6-12.

"It was cold and wet, but it was fun," Jason Simpson, eighth grader said.

The seventh grade also got some playing time in a game against Elwood.

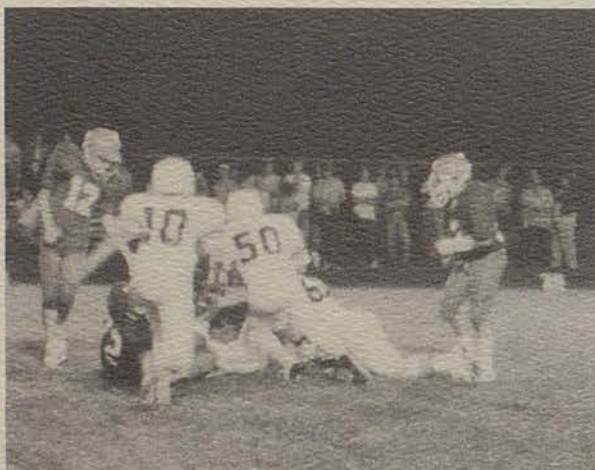
"I think that winning that game showed us that we will be a pretty good team next year," Jeff Hartman, seventh grader said.

The season ended with a third place DVL win over Oskaloosa.

"Mr. Leach got pretty excited after beating Troy, but he went nuts when I blocked one of Oskaloosa's punts," Daren Baskins, eighth grader said.

by Angela Baskins

The sky is falling—The Cats celebrate after a 30-0 win at home over Troy. photo by Janna Boos

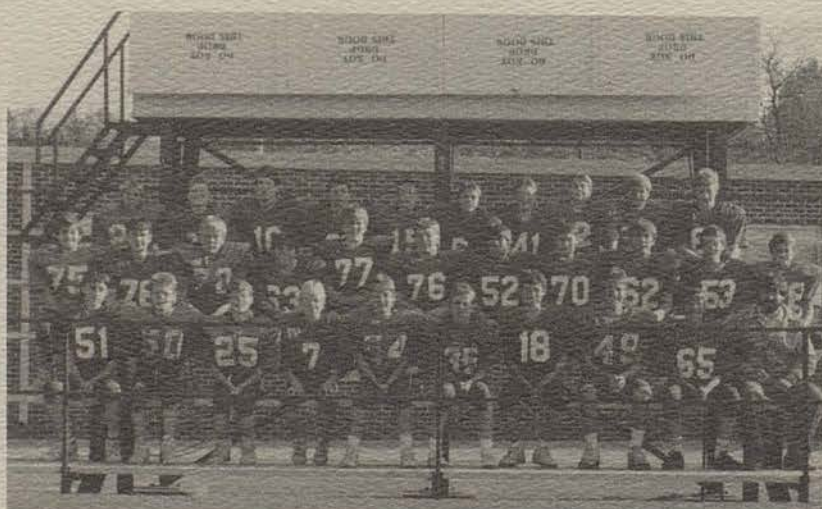


Dogpile!!!—The Cats scramble for a loose ball against Highland. The Cats recovered, but eventually lost 6-12. photo by Janna Boos



SCOREBOARD

	US	THEM
Troy	30	0
Highland	6	12
Everest	0	12
JCN	18	6
Jackson Heights	8	40
Highland	8	30
Oskaloosa	30	6



First row—Chris Miller, Josh Silvy, Josh Livingston, Pete Studer, Jeremy Miller, Brian McCoy, Wendell Snodgrass, Eric Hartman, Marty Cornwall, Coach Mike Leach. *Second row*—Denny Rohrer, Matt Laipple, John Schmidt, Frank Hall, Matt Schmille, Ron Gabriel, Rodger Karn, Brian Bauman, Darren Baskins, Jeff Hartman, Bud Simmons. *Third row*—Duane Weishaar, Ryan Hartman, Mike Blanton, Jesse Gabriel, Scott Davis, Sean Hawkins, Jason Simpson, Brandon Sigrist, Zeb Prawl, Bobby Schultz. photo by Bray

Successful year for 'Cats' track

The junior high boys track team enjoyed a great season this year. The 7th grade won three out of the six meets they participated in. They captured first place at Highland with 106 points. The second place Highland team had 94 points. They also finished second out of nine at the DVL meet. Travis Williams set a new pole vault record of 8'6", beating the old record by six inches. Wendell Snodgrass tied 7th grade high jump record of 5'.

The 8th grade boys finished strong

in all their meets, and earned a third place finish at the DVL meet. The 8th grade 400m relay team of Jesse Gabriel, Brandan Sigrist, Zeb Prawl, and Curt Smith set a new DVL record that was set in 1983 by Valley Falls. They beat the record by .16 of a second. The team also brought home a 2nd place plaque from the Highland meet.

The girls' team was small, but consistent. There were only six 8th grade girls and ten 7th graders. Both teams placed 4th in the League

meet. The 7th grade placed third, and the 8th grade placed 2nd at the Highland meet.

"It's really hard to score points at a track meet when you don't have many team members," Coach Earlene Campbell said of the girl's team.

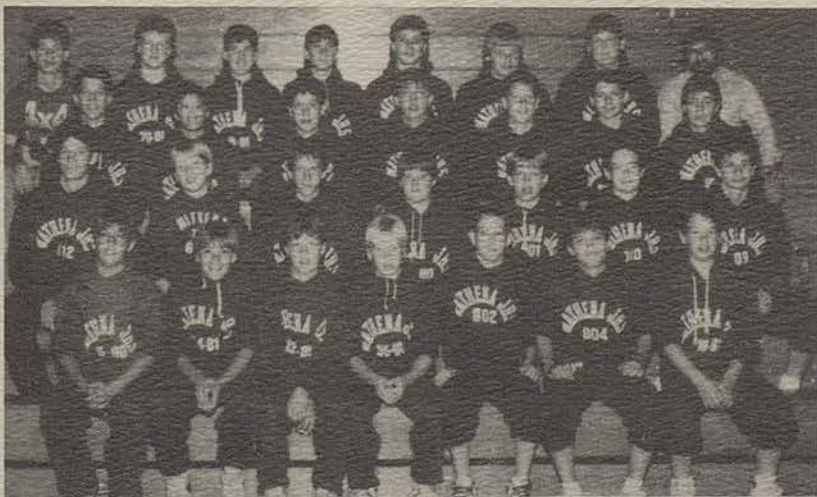
The team brought home the relay trophy from Highland, and were instrumental in capturing the overall trophy in Troy.



Someone tell the photographer to put her shoes back on—Josh Livingston and Brian McCoy discuss the day's events at the Highland track meet. photo by Nicki Simpson



I know the back of that earring is here somewhere—Beth Bembrick prepares for a sprinting race at the Highland track meet. photo by Nicki Simpson



first row—Marty Cornwall, Duane Weishaar, Joshua Livingston, Pete Studer, Scott Davis, Sean Hawkins, Jeremy Miller. second row—Curt Smith, Curt Eversgerd, Jeff Hartman, Bud Simmons, Brian McCoy, Jason Simpson, Jesse Gabriel. third row—Eric Hartman, Travis Williams, Brian Bauman, Darren Baskins, Ryan Hartman, Wendell Snodgrass, Brandan Sigrist. fourth row—Mike Blanton, Bobby Schultz, Brett Laipple, Chris Miller, Zeb Prawl, John Schmidt, and Coach Mike Leach. photo by Bray



first row—Heather Higgins, Susan Kimsey, Samantha Bauman, Beth Bembrick, Monica Scott, Krisha Vertin, Angie Ptomey, and Tanya Deaton. second row—Coach Earlene Campbell, Tisha Geeting, Melissa Steeby, Melanie Beattie, Julie Bauman, Terri Bahr, Jessica Juhl, Jody Bauman, Jill Braithwait. photo by Bray

Junior 'Cats have rough season

The words "basketball season" meant rough terrain for the Wathena Junior High girls this season.

The eighth grade girls faced some pretty tough competition in the league. They were tossed around a bit and ended up with one win and five losses. The seventh grade girls showed some promise with a season showing of four wins and only two losses.

"Even though we lost, we had a positive attitude all the way through the season," Angie Ptomey said.

The combined overall record for both seventh and eighth grade girls was 5-12. But, most people have a positive outlook for next year.

"I think we worked together and supported the team," said Monica Scott.

"It was much better season than the record indicated. I was pleased

with the effort and look forward to next year," Coach Earlene Campbell said.

by Michelle Haupt

"Get your hands off our ball!"—Susan Kimsey and Monica Scott scramble after the basketball while Jessica Juhl looks on. photo by Janna Boos.



"Where's the oxygen masks?!"—Jill Braithwait and Marci Israel look a little out of breath during a game against Troy. photo by Janna Boos.



SCOREBOARD

	7th girls		8th girls	
	US	THEM	US	THEM
Troy	40	12	15	10
Elwood	19	15	20	27
Midway	45	8	14	21
Highland	11	25	11	15
Jackson Heights	7	32	15	30
Everest	21	15	9	11



Front row—Monica Scott, Krisha Vertin, Tonya Deaton, Angie Ptomey, Julie Bauman, Susan Kimsey, Jill Braithwait. **Second row**—Head Coach Earlene Campbell, Heather Higgins, Samantha Bauman, Beth Bembrick, Jessica Juhl, Jodi Bauman, Marci Isreal. photo by Bray.

All 4-1 (7th) and 1-4 all! (8th)

“Our season started out great, but it didn’t go as good as I thought it should have,” was Zeb Prawl’s comment on the eighth grade boy’s basketball season.

The eighth grade boys had a hard time this year with a record of one win and four losses. But, check the scoreboard. Two of these games were lost by five points, which shows the eighth graders had more talent than

the scoreboard showed.

The seventh grade boy’s season was a direct opposite of the eighth grade boys. They made quite a showing by posting a season record of four wins and only one loss to Troy.

“We are going to beat Troy next year,” Eric Hartman said.

One seventh grader summed up the team’s feelings simply.

“We were awesome,” Brian McCoy said.

“The skills and ability for both of these teams shows promise for the future,” Coach Jerry Burks said.

by Michelle Haupt



Another Larry Bird in the making!—Brandon Sigrist breaks into the open for two quick points against Everest. photo by Nicki Simpson



“Concentration, arch, follow through . . .”—Ryan Hartman thinks hard about his free throw during the Highland game. photo by Janna Boos.



SCOREBOARD

	7th boys		8th boys	
	US	THEM	US	THEM
St. Francis				
Tourney	3rd		2nd	
Troy	21	28	34	29
Elwood	22	12	31	13
Everest	39	33	30	31
Jackson Heights	32	23	28	53
Highland	20	14	26	46
DVL Tourney	—		7th	

Front row—Brian Bauman, Sean Hawkins, Jeremy Miller, Scott Davis, Pete Studer, Brian McCoy, Joshua Livingston, Rodger Karn, Marty Cornwall, Jason Simpson. **Second row**—Eric Hartman, Ryan Hartman, Curt Smith, John Schmidt, Wendall Snodgrass, Zeb Prawl, Darren Baskins, Brandon Sigrist, Bud Simmons, Travis Williams, Curt Eversgerd, Coach Ron Blocker, not pictured Head Coach Jerry Burks. photo by Bray.

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My most memorable moment was when I stole Ms Sollars hall passes and then sent ransom notes to her for a week. Each morning she would read the notes to the class, and the whole class knew who was sending the notes. One time I cut letters out of the newspaper and sent that to her. It was very funny.

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My most memorable moment in high school was when I was at football practice and it was my birthday. Afterwards, at the end of the practice, the senior football players including Wally Snodgrass (who was a junior) and Chad McCoy (who was a sophomore) stripped off my pants. I was left standing in my jock and shoulder pads. My shorts were on the flag pole at the top. Mike Bell



My most memorable moment was when Janna Boos, Angie Spainhower, and I made these red jumpsuits out of terry cloth. They were the ugliest things but we wore them to school on the same day. Imagine looking at one ugly terry cloth outfit, let alone three of them. At least I wasn't alone. Deanne Studer.



My most memorable moment was when we had a basketball game at Valley Falls and the girls and boys locker rooms were right next to each other. I went down to get something from our locker room. Some of the junior varsity guys had just got done taking showers and were getting dressed. They started flashing me, and I will never forget the color of Josh Elder's bright yellow underwear. Jenifer McAdams.

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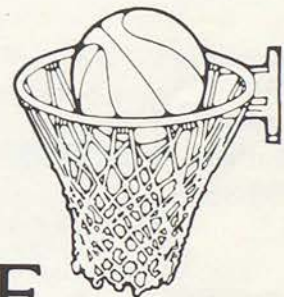
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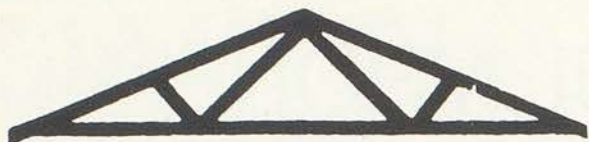
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My most memorable moment was my sophomore year, when our chorus attended clinic music contest at Benedictine. I was going down the stairs, tripped and fell down the first flight, then I got up to continue down when I started falling again. I felt down both flights of stairs and ended up with a bruised body

not to mention my ego. Katy Elder

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My most memorable moment was when Mrs. Smith came to substitute for Miss Reese's class. She didn't know me, and she asked if Jim Simerly was there, and I didn't say anything. After all the role was taken, I said in a Spanish accent that my name was Romon Vasueala from the edge of the border. She be-

lieved me and she wrote it down on the grade book. By the end of the hour she figured out who I really was and let me off the hook. Jim Simerly



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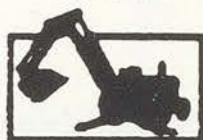
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Leach asked if he had brought anything to eat, Doug and Mike Smith started throwing the rolls, hitting Mr. Leach in the head.
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My most memorable moment was one day in Accounting II. We were all messing around and I really don't know why, but we had a pair of hand cuffs. I had cuffed Brenda McVey to the bottom of the heater and we just left her there. She was just kind of standing there with her arm under the heater, and screaming the way she screams. It was pretty funny. Sheila Clark

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My most memorable moment happened one day after lunch. Tina Snodgrass and I were walking out of the lunch room. We were one of the last ones out of there. Tina wore a dress that day and I was walking behind her and Mr. Heaton was behind us. I pulled up her skirt and her slip came up with it. After I pulled it up, I ran out of the way and guess who saw: Mr. Heaton. His

face was so red. I don't know if he was more embarrassed or shocked. Mr. Sebbert saw Mr. Heaton's face but didn't know for sure what had happened. Michelle Bell



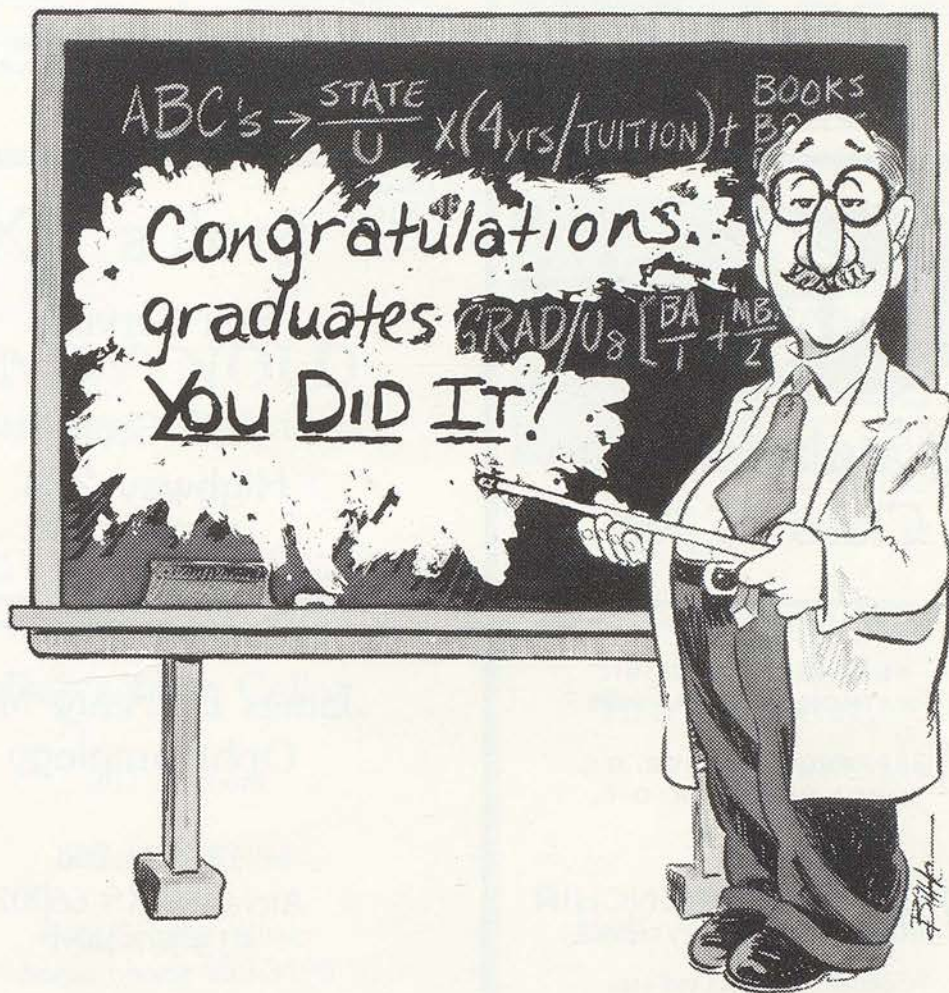
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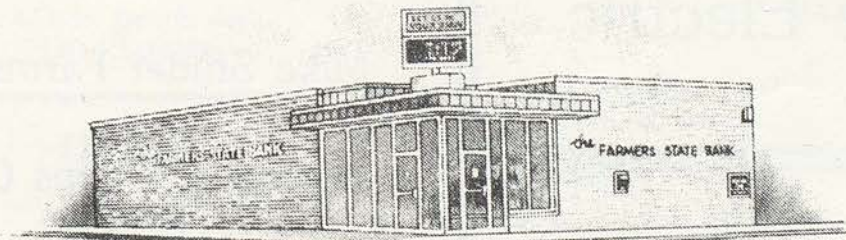
My most memorable moment was in Kindergarten. Nicki Sharp, Kay Wyatt, and me all got under Mrs. Coates' desk and dressed a Donny Osmond doll in Marie Osmond's clothes. We wouldn't let anyone else see it because we thought it was too dirty. We dressed him in Marie Osmond's short mini skirt and his bottom stuck out and we thought that was really funny. Jo Wyatt

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My most memorable moment was when I was a freshman in high school. I had a big crush on a senior (David Recob). Well, one day I was riding my new ten speed bike past his house and there were some bumps, so I went to put on the hand brakes. The had brakes were so tight I went flying right over the handlebars. The next thing I knew the guy and his mom were standing over me asking if anything was broken. I was so embarrassed. There I was, flat on my back in front of this guy I just totally idolized. Well, he helped me up, walked me and my bike home, and everytime I saw him for the next month he called me "Crash". Angela Spainhower



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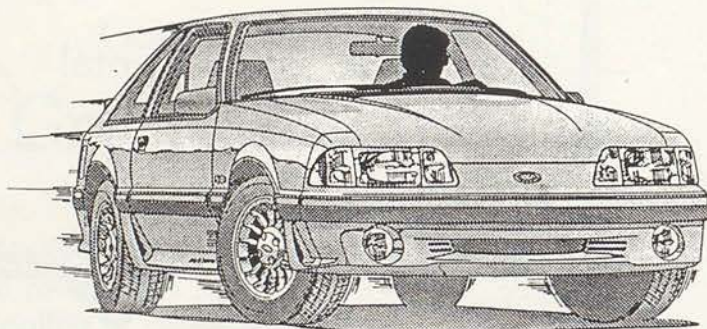
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My most memorable moment was when I was a sophomore in high school. I was in the band room sitting between John Cluck and Mike Smith. We were in Mrs. Schmidt's office practicing for a concert. Mike and John left the room, and I found a box of powder paints. I started shoving bunches of it down the mouthpieces of their trombones. When they came back we had to play in front of Mrs. Schmidt. They didn't know about the paint, so when we started to play, red and blue smoke started coming out of their trombones. Boy was Mrs. Schmidt mad. Rodney McVey.

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That is something that makes this class so special to me. When the assignments are given out and everyone knows what to do, we all get serious and get down to work. But there have been times when we can joke and have a fun time.

And like the editors before me have done, I would like to recognize all of the members of the yearbook staff, that I have had a great time with this year and thank them for the hard work and the dedication they

put forth into the making of this yearbook.

Janna & Nicki: You both did a great job on the pictures, but I'll always wonder why neither of you tried to strangle any of the staff members around deadline time.

Deanne & Annette: Our own version of Picasso and Monet, thanks for the 'Wild' art. The cover looks gorgeous.

Brenda, Michelle, & Katy: You guys are so terrific. I don't know what the staff would have done without you. I could never thank you enough so just know that 'I Love Ya'.

Leanne: Thanks for the effort. It was very much appreciated. Good luck for your senior year on the staff.

Reggie: I know things went kind of slow at first but you didn't give up. Just remember, don't be afraid to ask

for help.

Angie: Thanks for all of the super layouts and all of the extra overtime. You'll make a neat editor next year.

Brandy (The Butcher): What can I say, you did great work and also provided the class with some comic relief. By the way, do you have nightmares about styro-foam attacking you while you are driving down the highway?

And finally, Miss Reese: I've really enjoyed working with you on this yearbook. You been a lot of fun and very supportive when I needed it. Thanks. And everytime I read the Far Side, I'll think of you!

Being yearbook editor has really been a growing experience for me and I'm sure I am a better person for experiencing it.

By: Angela Spainhower





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away the childhood
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Begin the walk of life!

As everyone knows, no two years can be exactly the same. There has to be different events and activities to set them apart. This year has definitely been a unique time.

A big issue the past few years has been the lack of spirit shown by the students. It seemed like excitement and positive attitudes towards school events had almost become extinct. But that all changed during the 1987-88 school year. Under the leadership of Brenda Bauman as the student council president, the students began to

fan the dying embers of school pride and spirit. By the time the football season was over, our school spirit was running rapid. It was truly something I am glad I experienced.

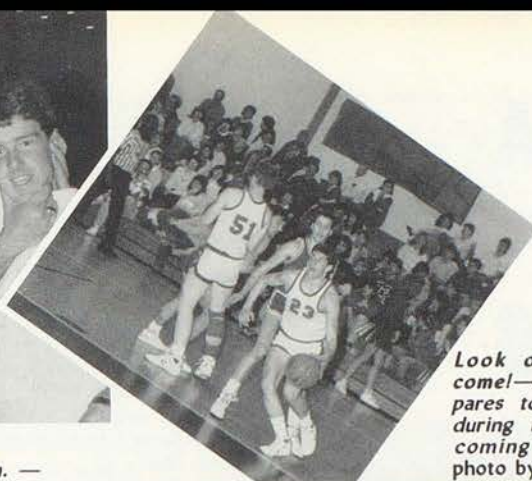
The yearbook itself made a big change this year. After some troubles with the Jostens company, ICP was chosen as the new company to take over the publication of the school yearbook.

The journalism class had another successful year with their production of WE-B-TV, a video taped conglomeration of commercials, stories, weather reports, and other news related things.

And to say the least, this year's sports seasons were the best in years. The girls volleyball team had the first winning season ever, the football team won more games than in the last four years, and the boys basketball team placed second in the pre-season tournament and placed second place at Immaculata.

The yearbook theme, "Take a Walk on the Wild Side," fits the past year to a tee. Although we had our bad times, the students and faculty here at WHS has definitely made this a Wild year that will be cherished and remembered for years to come.

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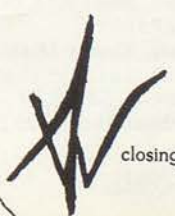
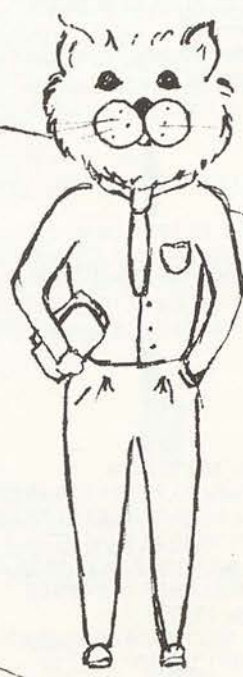
Look out basket, here I come!—A.J. Braithwait prepares to go for the basket during the basketball homecoming game against JCN. photo by Bray.

Taking a walk of her own. — Janna Boos is escorted by her father, Mike Boos, during the Queen of Courts coronation. photo by Bray.

Hey James, over here!—James Coburn and Doug Bauman clown around while dancing at Ole' Macdonald's farm on prom night. photo by Bray



Make way, I'm coming through!—Wally Snodgrass looks as if he is ready to plow his way through a touchdown. photo by Bray.



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When are we gonna see the
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Thanks Doug for always
believing me and
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I should have blocked before I
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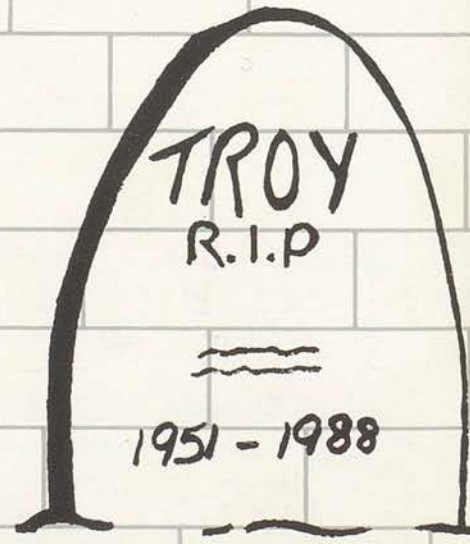
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the Cats are
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Wildcats here!
rule!

Keep
it
up!

• To Whom it
may concern,
Whoever flattened
my BMW tire
will pay for
this injustice?
Signed
Duffy Vanderlip
MCVIII



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Colophon → Hardy!!

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