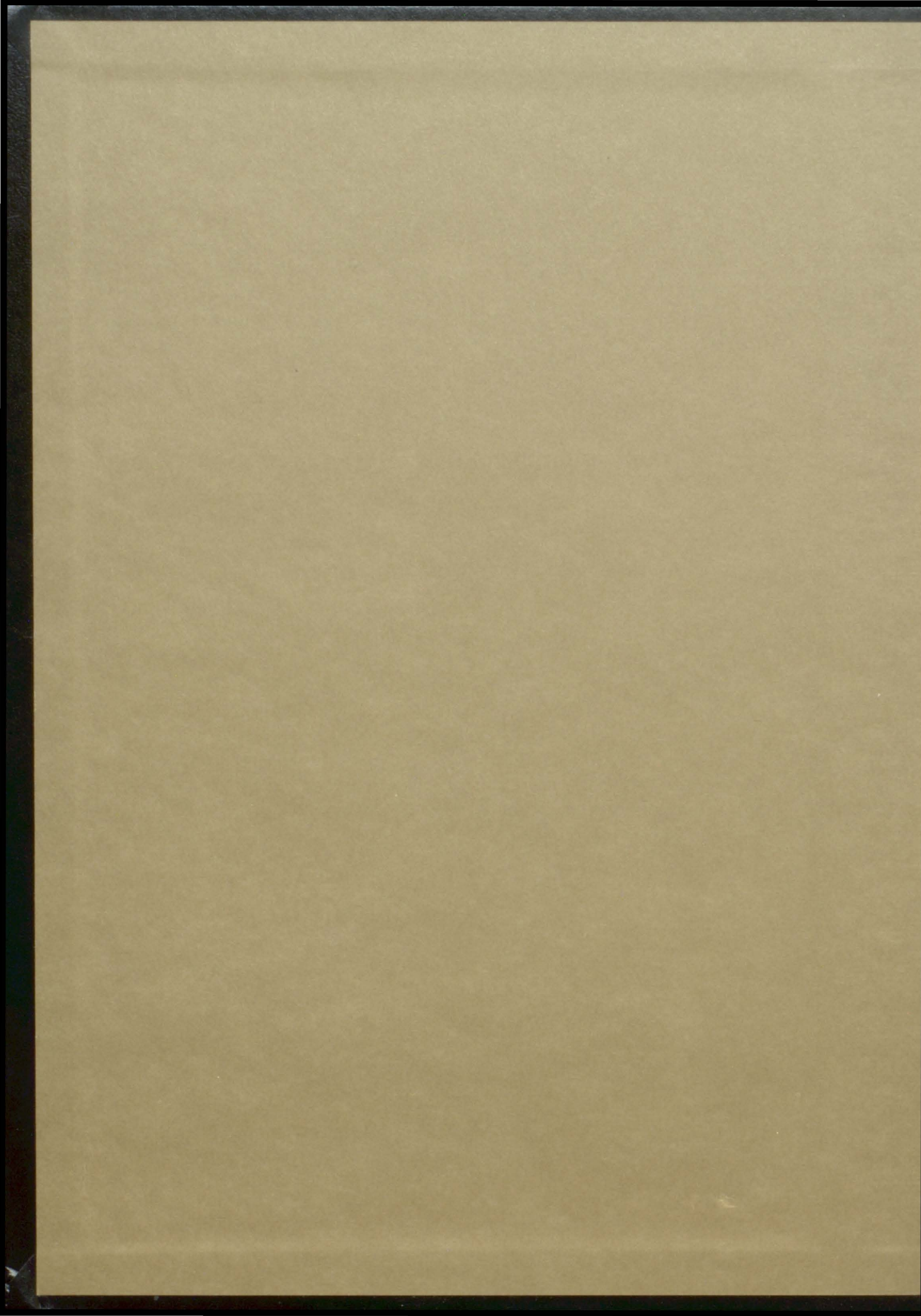


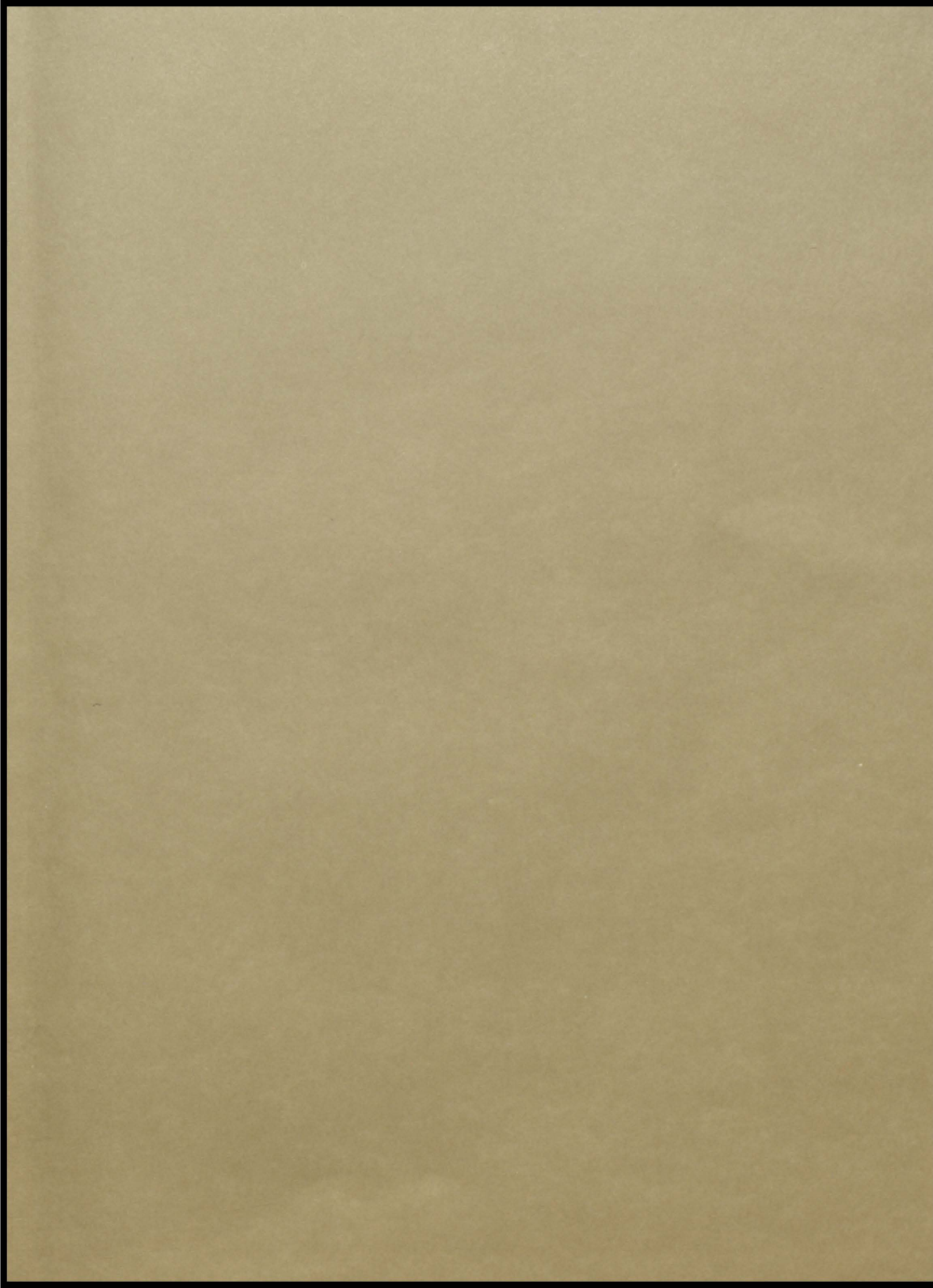
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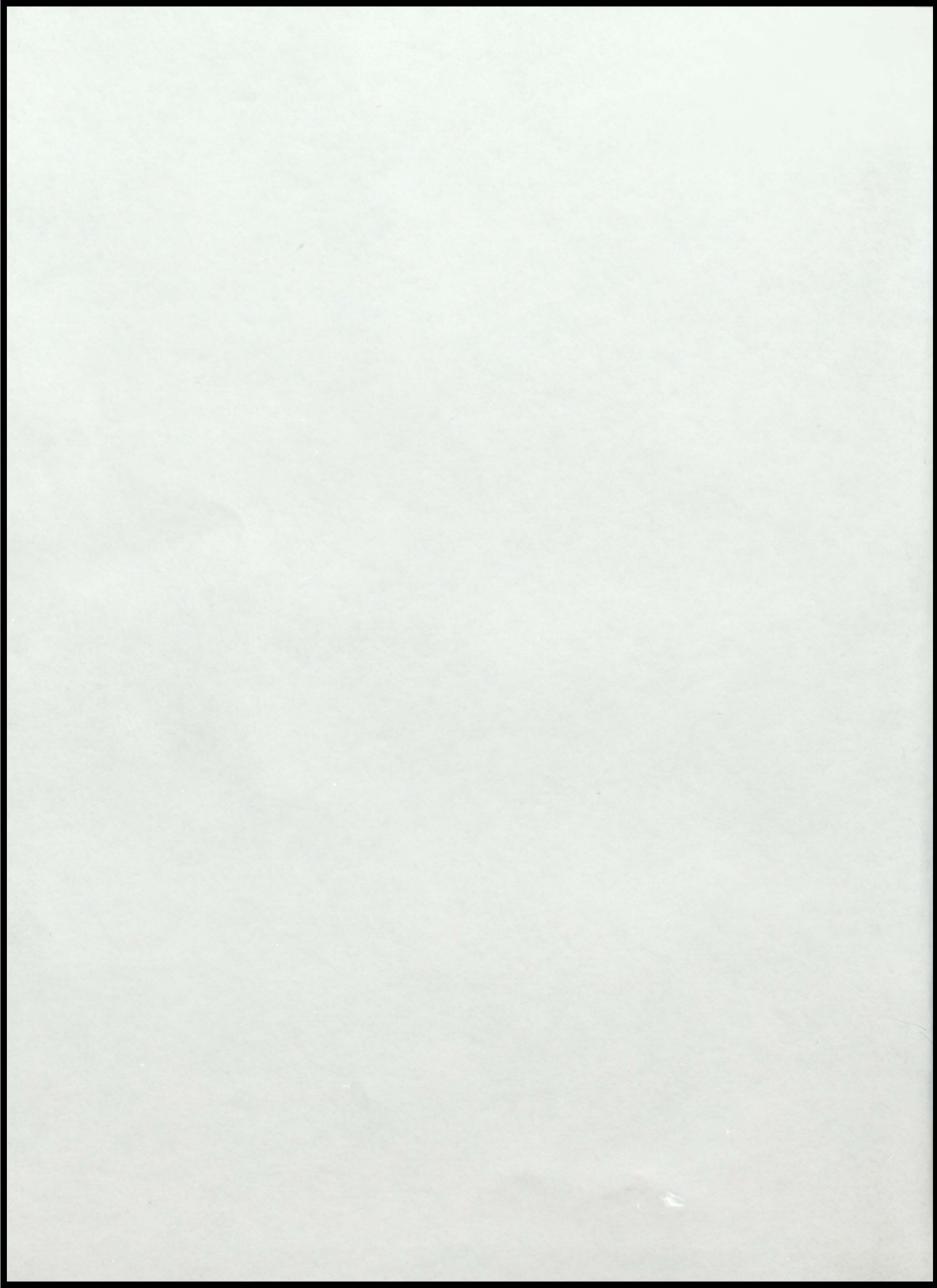
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DEDICATION

The staff of the 1990-91 NEOHIMO proudly dedicated the yearbook to Junior High Assistant Principal Mrs. Nancy Rugh. The staff felt that her friendliness, charisma, and dedication to academic excellence made her an ideal candidate for this honor.

Mrs. Rugh was a 13 year veteran of the teaching profession. Originally from Springfield, where she obtained her degree in secondary education, Mrs. Rugh began her career in Emporia, Kansas as a junior high English teacher. After teaching at the junior and senior high levels in Kansas, she and her family moved to Neosho where she took a job as a kindergarten volunteer at South school.

One year later, Mrs. Rugh obtained

another high school teaching position at Neosho High School. This time she took on several new responsibilities. During the 85-86 school year, Mrs. Rugh became the editor of both the NEOHIMO and the school newspaper, the Wildcat. Last year, Mrs. Rugh added more responsibility to her work load by accepting the position of assistant principal in the junior high. In addition to seeing that things run smoothly in the Junior High, Mrs. Rugh dealt with discipline problems and could often be seen supervising sports events.

Mrs. Rugh's home and family life

has been as rewarding as her professional life. She was the mother of three children, and as her husband John Rugh said, "She takes care of all of us."

Among her hobbies were reading classic literature and traveling. The outdoors and the scenery of Alaska were some of her favorites.

Intelligence, creativity, and sensitivity are all character traits that help to make a teacher successful and well-liked. The Neosho school district was lucky to have all those traits in administrator and teacher Mrs. Nancy Rugh.



High school students at NHS are wondering if Mrs. Rugh, above, is preparing to grade an essay test, or if she really is dressed up for Halloween. With a total of thirteen years teaching experience, Mrs. Nancy Rugh has taught in the R-V district for five years at the elementary, high school, and administrative levels. It wasn't too long ago that she was in high school and college feeling the same pressures high school students feel today. At right is Mrs. Rugh's traditional senior picture.



Family life is an important factor for everyone. Four years ago Mrs. Rugh had her daughter Chaney which naturally changed her life at home and at work. At right and below in "pre-Chaney" times, Mrs. Rugh spent lots of time with her older children Aaron and Wes in both the swimming pool and the portrait studio.



Hairstyles change from year to year. Above, Mrs. Rugh is modeling her 60's "do." Extra curricular activities help to make a person well-rounded, as well as being social and fun. Left, Mrs. Rugh poses cheerfully in her band uniform.

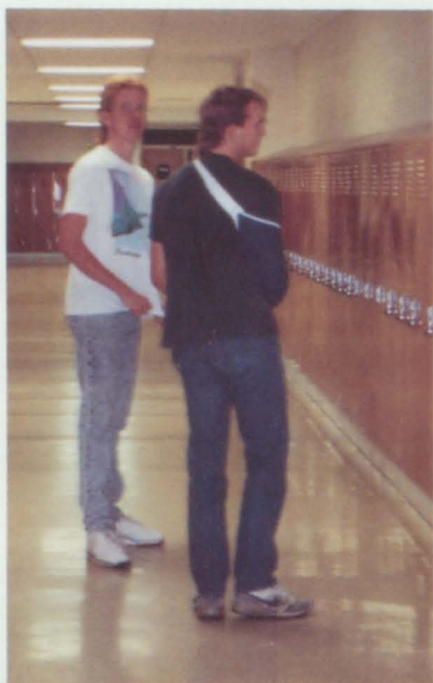
Being outdoors is one of Mrs. Rugh's many hobbies. From the size of that fish, it looks as if fishing comes naturally for her.

EXPRESS YOURSELF

"Express Yourself" was the theme of the '91 Neohimo. There were a lot of clubs, organizations and sports that let the students of NHS to really 'express themselves' through the year. If they weren't interested in those things, most students enjoyed expressing themselves by sitting on the benches before school or in-between classes, while others preferred sitting in the cafeteria or just standing around their lockers.

Another way the students of NHS expressed the Wildcat in them was at sports events, like members of the "Rude Crew." What better way was there to show school spirit than to cheer on the home team? And at the end of the year, Seniors express themselves vividly by painting Senior Hill.

Everyone has their own personality and special way of doing things, so never be afraid to express yourself at NHS.



Taking a reminiscent walk in the junior high are Andy Nimmo and Ben Rigdon, seniors.



Posing for a picture with happy expressions are friends Tracie Werries, 10, and Nori Farber, 11.



Stacy Phillips, 11, takes time out to flash a smile after being caught by the camera.



The cafeteria is a popular place to be in the morning, especially for finishing homework. Jennifer Charles, 11, Patricia Sandlin, 11, Laura Sonnabend, 11, do some last minute studying for finals.

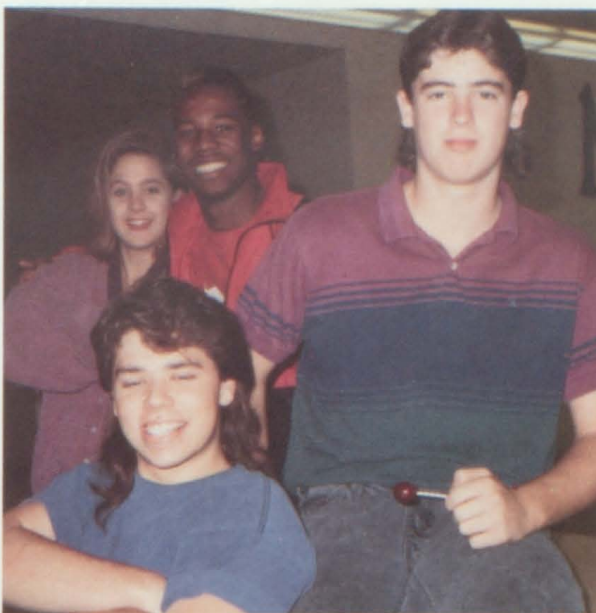


Happy to be out of classes for the day, Chyna Henson, 11, and Stacey Fulkerson, 10, stop to talk.

Susan Brown and Holly Hammett, sophomores, are showing everyone in sign language how "totally cool" they think going to Neosho High School is.



Friends Tramaine Clark, 12, Aaron Smith, 11, Kent Hames, 11, and Heather Bowers 11 are caught having fun at school.



Resting on the benches are Nicole Wicks and Jean Ann Bruce, juniors.

Katie Scott, 12, Kendra Andrews, 11, Kirk Harryman, 12, and Jacob Neuenswander, 12, are taking a break from Mr. Elliot's Advanced Biology.



Dallas Evans, 10, and Mendi Ferguson, 10, seem to be deciding which one of them is right as they hit the books.



Talking among friends is a favorite way to spend free time. Here, Misty Moon, 10, Katy Marble, 10, and Susan Cerini, 10, take a minute to share a laugh.

HAPPY EXPRESSIONS

Smile! School's not that bad. Just look around. Everyday people show happy expressions at school. Yes, at school! Even though you got five hours of sleep last night and you have a test in every class, you can still share a smile. This year students could be found expressing happiness on the benches, in the cafeteria, at their lockers, and sometimes even in class. Check out these happy expressions!



Sometimes, loading up before school has to take a backseat to other needs such as homework or class meetings but, breakfast is the most important meal of the day for some people. Above, Juniors Dea Cohu and Heather McConaghy can even smile after eating a box of Hostess donuts! Above, left, Tige Henson, 10, along with Travis McGruder, 10, shares a smile as he thinks of getting off his crutches. Through the school year he has been promoted from wheelchair, to crutches, and eventually to his own feet. Thanks to Doug Dahnke he made it to choir everyday. A return to pacifism and peaceful negotiation was a popular expression with America's entry into war with Iraq. Expressing happy faces and signs of peace are below: front, Tramaine Clark, 12, back, Torrius Fisher, 10, Nelson Price, 12, Derek Woods, 11, and Matt Lee, 11.



Stephanie Kohler, 10, and Kristi Browning, 10, express smiles in the early morning.





Above, Senior Leslie Roy expresses her happiness with lots of giggles! Above left, Seniors Mary Ann Livingston and Brenda Bond show enthusiasm about marching in the Wildcat Band. Even with a full day ahead of them, Seniors Lynette Lucas, Kristine Brooks, and Khristi Stephens can find something to smile about.



Friends Mendi Ferguson, 10, Misty Moon, 10, and Katy Marble, 10, are happy before school. Sharing friendly smiles between classes are left, Chad Young, 11, and Joey Adams, 11.



EXPRESS YOUR STRESS

Stress is defined as being caused by hardship, affliction, or oppression. It is a physical, chemical, and emotional factor to which an individual fails to make a satisfactory adaptation; therefore, causing physiologic tensions. Students, however, define stress as tense muscles and a great big headache.

Stress is felt by students at many different times. Academic stress is one of the leading forms of stress for high school students. Becky Briggs, 12, commented, "Semester finals are a really tense time for me. I try to remember everything I've seen or heard

for the past 18 weeks."

"I feel the most stress right before a big game," states Kirk Harryman, 12. Kirk is one of many students who plays more than one sport. He admits it is hard to make an equal balance between study time and practice time, but has made the adjustment well.

Finding ways to relieve stress is often hard for students who have to combine jobs, school, and extra-curricular activities. Junior Barbie Owens says she likes to go to the Salvation Army and, "... take all the good stuff."

Lauri Mills, 12, likes to, "Sit down in

a big comfortable chair and read a good book."

Stress is a part of everyone's life. The key is to learn to deal with it. Chad Young's logical plan is to, "beat up on someone bigger than me!"

Coping with stress is one of the biggest challenges facing today's youth. Many students fail to deal with stress and this leads to health problems. The elimination of stress in the classroom would be the most beneficial thing for students, but most realize this will never be a reality.



Sophomores Sam Haas, Karen Morris and Bill Allen relax after performing the strenuous gym class ritual of bleacher running.

Early morning trips are often stressful for tired students. Junior Chad Young makes use of his sleeping bag and the bus floor on the way to a Choraleer performance.

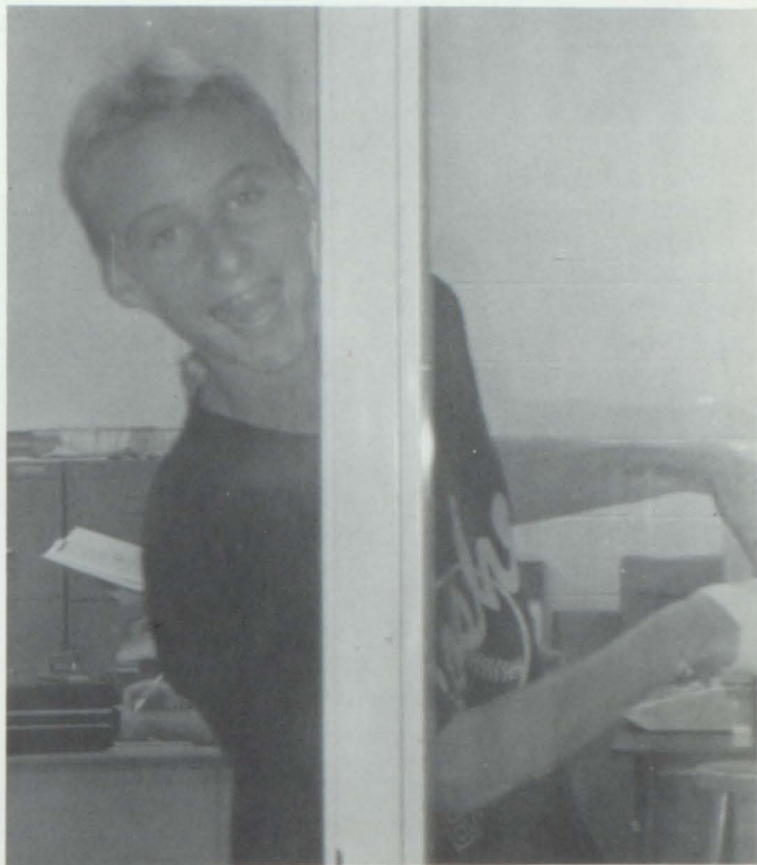


The time often comes when students have to say, "Enough is enough!" Courtney Kimbley, junior, shows us how she reacts when stress is just too much to handle.

Below, Seniors Whitney Wright, Jennifer Ogle, and Emily Blackwell take a break from the classroom setting and their "strenuous" weightlifting in Advanced P.E.



Sophomore Travis McGruder delays the tension of test taking by sharpening his pencil very slowly and observing the action in the hall.



The Senior year can be very stressful. People find various ways to "express their stress." Seniors Wendy Byrum and Missy Phelps let off a little steam.

Above, Freshmen Ryan Harryman, Justin Fowler, and Kent Caudell relieve stress at a Junior High assembly. Hannah Mitchell takes time out of eighth grade English to relax with friends.

NEOHIMO — A TRADITION ITSELF

The tradition of producing a Neosho High School yearbook goes back to the year 1908. Students have always been the ones to gather pictures and information and organize the data, then it has been sent off to a publisher. At one time local businesses printed the yearbook. Today the yearbooks have more pages, color pictures, and require more sophisticated procedures and equipment. There are only a few large companies in our area that publish yearbooks. Jostens published the NEOHIMO the past few years.

The NHS annual has been identified by many different names. The early yearbooks had a new name each year. Gradually names began to stick with the yearbook for several years at a time. Before NEOHIMO, names included: Neosho High Annual, Ragout, Neosho, Ozarcadian, the Wildcat, and

NeoMo.

Today's yearbook, the NEOHIMO (a 31 year tradition) continues to preserve memories for students. The name comes from Neosho High Missouri. Neosho is an Indian name meaning "land of flowing water." The Neo-himo is a source of great pride for NHS.

In the early years, the school collected money for publication by having a hamburger stand at the Harvest Festival, selling advertisements to local businesses, and selling books to students. Last year, 810 books were published. The yearbook staff strives to increase student participation each year.

Mary Louise Davis, class of 1918, said the students would hold meetings to decide what each section would contain. We no longer use this type of deci-

sion making process. There is a staff for organizing the book and its many sections to attempt to cover all areas of student life. Yearbook is a class that spends the year taking pictures, writing copy, and designing layouts.

Over the years there have been many sponsors for the yearbook. Last year the staff had a new sponsor, Mrs. Cindy Branscum. Maudemary Wilson sponsored the book longer than any other teacher. She guided the staff for 16 years.

The annual is a tradition at NHS that is always changing. The process of yearbook layout and design will continue to change. Everything from technology to current events to student activities determines the design and content of the book. One thing that won't change is that the NEOHIMO will continue to capture memories made by the students each year.



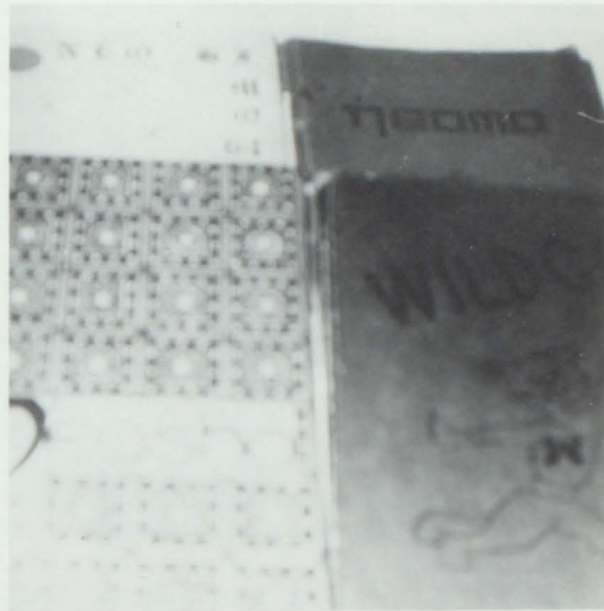
One of the most important aspects of the yearbook is writing copy. Above, Kim Jones, 12, tries to organize her information at the typewriter. Right, Junior Sarah Strohl is trying to meet the deadline by completing another layout.



Yearbook is fun, but deadlines are always hectic. Kim Marion, 12, says, "When deadlines need to be met, everything is confusing; there are too many things to do with too little time!"



Yearbooks have changed with the times. The covers of past yearbooks, below, reflect the time in which they were made.



Working in the darkroom has many responsibilities. Students develop film and mix chemicals that make picture production possible. Jason Beier, 12, carefully prepares chemicals.



Printing pictures takes patience and accuracy as shown by Juniors Chyna Henson, right, and Stacy Randon.

WORKING STUDENTS

A math test, the test over Oliver Twist in English, Toothpick bridges for physics, all this and work four o'clock to close tonight. Does this sound familiar? Each day students everywhere spend a full day at school, then go to work all night.

"Working in small amounts of time is good; it can help teach responsibility and money management. Too much working during the school year can be detrimental to social and academic well-being, as well as a student's health, says Mr. Montz, psychology teacher. Working can leave students feeling tired, restless, and unable to concentrate. "You end up spending so much time at work, there is hardly any time to study," says Paula Mahaffey, 12.

Pressure from work, lack of free time, and lack of sleep are negative effects of holding a job and attending school full time. Lisa Ducommun, 12, commented, "Time spent at work is time lost to doing homework or going

out with friends."

The number of working students has increased rapidly in the last few years. The Neosho School District is no exception. In a survey of sophomores, juniors, and seniors, 58 percent of those students surveyed held a job during the school year. Of those working students, 49 percent of them worked over 20 hours a week. Even students that worked less than 15 hours a week felt the strain of trying to keep up socially and academically, senior Missy Phelps said, "Work always fills up my free weekends!"

Many students find jobs in fast food restaurants, clothing stores, and almost any type of retail or sales business. "Some of the kids we hire are the most dependable, competent workers," commented Debbie Busch, assistant manager at Braum's.

This is not to say that holding a job is all bad. "The best thing about holding a job is the money!" said senior Mick Finley. A job can make a student

feel responsible and in control of himself. "Since having my job, I have learned to manage my money and budget myself. It also makes it easier to buy Christmas presents because I have more money to spend," commented Kim Marion, 12.

The number of students holding jobs today is simply an indication of how busy our society has become. "When I was growing up, students worked at home doing housework or on a farm. Very few students had jobs outside the home unless they had dropped out of school," stated Mr. Goade, social science teacher. Some students work because they want extra spending money; some students work because they have to help feed and cloth their families. Whatever the reason for working, students have become a large part of the work force, and the role of the working student has become a common one.



On Halloween employees of local businesses dressed up for the occasion. Above, Robert Andrews, 12, and his manager Linda show off their creativity.



Lisa Ducommun, 12, seems to keep a professional attitude regardless of the spooks that may come to visit on Halloween night.



Fast food restaurants are a common place of work for teenagers. "I like my job," comments Senior David Gustaveson, "I meet new people and see my old friends when they come in the restaurant." While meeting people is one advantage to working with the public, David, right, demonstrates that there is a lot more to having a job than talking to people.



Right, working in a kitchen can be dangerous, but Bobby Williams, 11, seems to have everything under control. Above, Ginger McGarrah, 12, proves that it is possible to run the drive through and smile at the same time.

STAR II LEADS QUEST FOR THE FUTURE

Andy Corkery, Senior at NHS, was a member of the solar car team that qualified for the international finals "down under." He has been involved with the construction of the solar car for nearly two years along with the rest of the Crowder team. Cory Kunkel and Darmesh Bhakta, both '88 graduates of NHS, were members of the team also. Many hours of preparation and work helped to make the car utilize the solar energy correctly and to run as efficiently as possible.

The American part of the race started July 9, 1990 in Orlando, Florida and continued to Warren, Michigan. The Star II performed as expected and kept up with the competition well. It finished within the top ten and qualified the Crowder car for the Australian finals. After the 10-day trek across the outback, the solar car finished eighth out of 42 entries, placing ahead of such schools as MIT, Harvard, and Stanford.

A little more close to home, students at NHS are preparing for the future in many other ways. There are several different classes that deal with technology and science. All of the vocational classes at Crowder prepare students for a specific career while Industrial Arts students work on various engineering projects throughout the year. In the Science Research class students are given a chance to design and research their own independent project for competition. Other classes present information to students about how to understand and apply scientific principals that are geared toward higher level learning, such as Computer Science, Physics, Biology AP, and Chemistry AP. These classes will give students an advantage in college. As a result, many NHS students will be involved with tomorrow's technology because of preparation today.



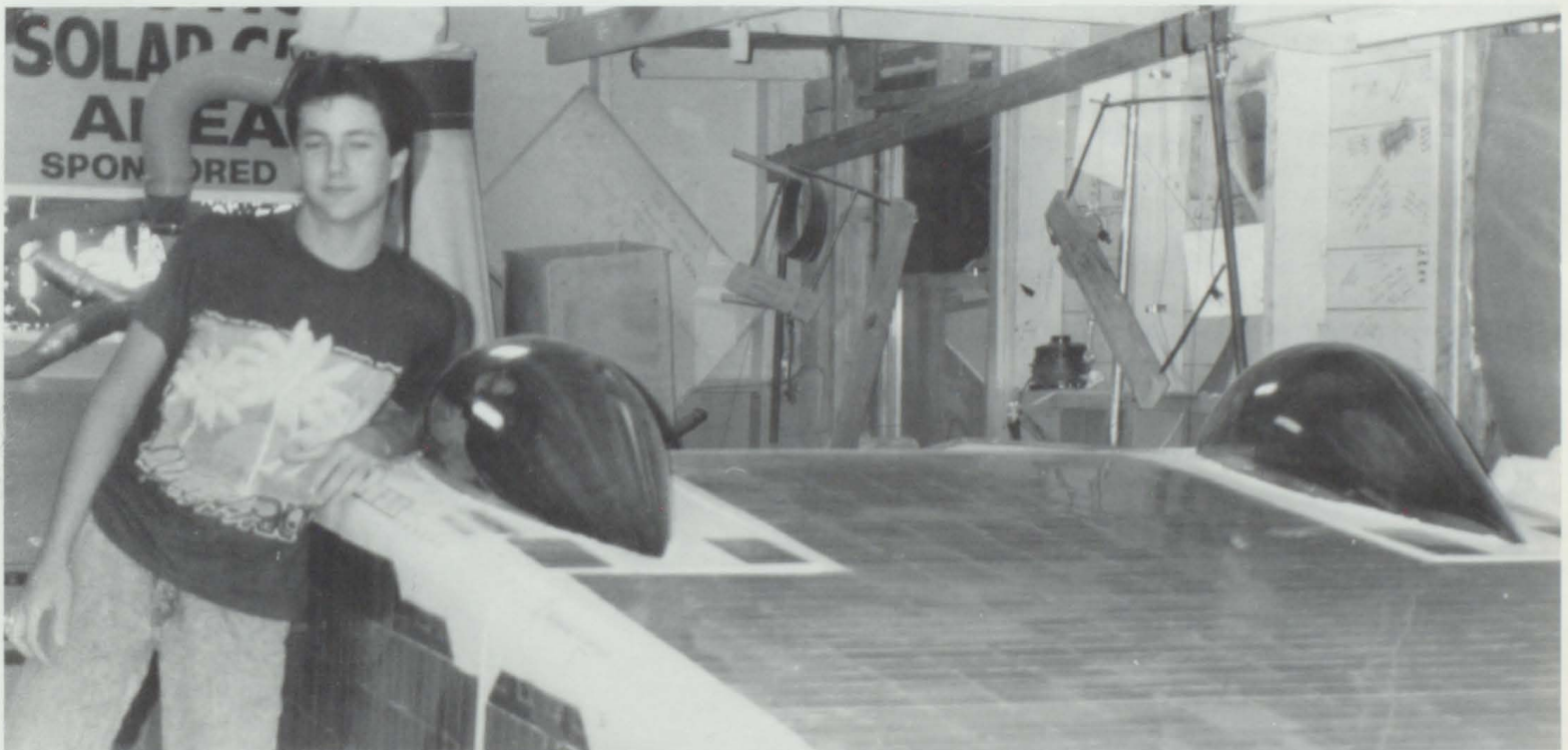
Building the Solar car was a task that took a lot of time and skill. Here, Andy Corkery takes a look at the solar panel wiring.



In Computer Science class, programming in high level Pascal can be tricky if you're used to working in a language called BASIC. Above, Senior Doug Wilson seems to be having no problem at all.

No, Jason Oxford, 12, pictured left, isn't pretending to be a Ninja turtle, he's just hooked up to an EMG machine as part of Ryan Palmer's, 12, research project on muscles and muscle contractions.

Left, Industrial Arts student Brian Reed, 9, shows off his ability to maneuver the drill press. Below, Ron Cole, 12, Aaron Fowler, 12, Barb Webster, 12, Scott Jenkins, 12, and Barbie Owens, 12, experience acceleration first hand by pushing Mr. Haupt's van in Physics.



Above, Andy Corkery, 12, is working on the Star II, the solar car he helped to build and drive in the Australian race. He commented about the trip, "It was exciting to be on the road with so many professionals. I'll never forget the experience of knowing that I contributed to the Star II's progress."

EXCHANGING EXPRESSIONS

Being away from home, in another country, away from family and friends may sound like a very scary thing to do. NHS has three foreign exchange students. They didn't seem to think of it as scary and enjoyed their stay in Neosho. NHS students appreciate the new ideas brought by these students and look forward to meeting new ones each year.

Matthias Kellerer, who was 17 and from Germany, was one of the three foreign students. Matthias stayed with Charles and Dana Tinsley. When asked what he thought about Neosho, Matthias commented, "It is a nice town, but a little bit too small." He was used to a large town with much more traffic.

Matthias came from a very big family. They were all close and he spent lots of time writing back and forth to five sisters and three brothers. He had plans of telling them of his many experiences here in the U.S.

"Playing soccer, swimming, volleyball, and going out with friends are some of my hobbies," commented Matthias. He has been in a soccer club for many years. He also played soccer for Neosho during his stay.

Till Bertram was 17 years of age and came to Neosho from Braunschweig, Germany, a city of roughly 250,000 people. Till lived with the Rich Thomas family during his stay in the United States. Rich, Sandra, Chris, 7, and Jerry, 5, enjoyed Till's company and learned much from him.

Till's German family consisted of his mother, Heide, father, Furgan, and a brother Fan who is 15. Whether it is in Neosho or in Braunschweig Till's favorite subject is science. "I love to build or discover laws of nature by research. That is my plan for later in life," commented Till.

He made many new friends in Neosho and liked his family very much. The hardest part for most exchange students is making the new friends and then leaving to return home to finish school. Till had hopes of returning to the U.S. someday and visiting some of his Neosho friends.



Till looks a bit frustrated when Mrs. Messens said, "Don't look at your hands!"
8 Foreign Exchange



Matthias played soccer for NHS and contributed a lot more than just his soccer skills to the team.



Mikaela England was the only female foreign exchange student for the 1990-91 school year. She came to Neosho from Sweden and lived with the Don Jessen family. Don, Denise, Holly, and Jeff Jessen found it to be a rewarding experience to sponsor a student from another country. Mikaela and Holly spent many hours together and became close friends.

Mikaela found Neosho to be a very exciting and friendly place to live. "People are a lot friendlier here than in Stockholm." However, she added that Stockholm is a beautiful city and quite large, over 1 million in population. In Stockholm she lives with her mother and 15 year old sister, Katja.

Creative writing and American Government were her favorite subjects. She enjoyed writing and was interested in learning about how the American government worked in comparison to Sweden's.

Mikaela was enthusiastic about making friends and becoming involved at NHS. She was a member of Key Club, FTA, SADD, and the school newspaper staff. In her spare time, Mikaela enjoyed writing, visiting the mall, and watching ball games.

Mikaela England (12) and Holly Jessen (9) will remember the experiences and friendship they had together for many years.

BEST FRIENDS

*Friendship needs no symbol
or vow to make it whole,*

*It's just a sacred covenant
that's locked within the soul.*

*It knows no creed or station
or thought of gain or fame,*

*For what it does is sacred
and is done in "Friendship's"
name!*

True friendships last forever no matter what the distance or how difficult a problem may be. Webster's defines a friend as "someone who knows you well, a very close acquaintance." Friendships develop as a result of everything from common goals to tragedies in our lives.

Many friends have been made at NHS, but there will always be my "best friend." My best friend listens to me and shares my dreams. My best friend takes the time to work and have fun with me. My best friend calls me at midnight, tells me a secret, fills me in on the latest news. Years will pass, our paths separate, but in our hearts we'll always be best friends.



"Men of Action", Dan Dunham, Craig Butler, Kent Turpen, Branden Smith, Tony Guppy, Rick Crawford, Travis Hughes.



Best friends tend to look alike and act alike, Esther Reid and Tammie Epp demonstrate this.



IN MEMORY OF



DAVID WAYNE POLLICK

July 25, 1973 - June 13, 1990

Son of Jim and Brenda Pollick



THOMAS E. PUTNAM, JR.

July 21, 1972 - June 14, 1990

Son of Tom and Beverly Putnam

*Looking back on the memory of
The dance we shared beneath the stars above
For a moment all the world was right
How could I have known that you would ever say goodbye.
And now I'm glad I didn't know
The way it all would end
The way it all would go
Our lives are better left to chance.
I could have missed the pain
But I would have missed the dance.*

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Board of Education

The six members of the Neosho School Board were busy during the 1990-91 school year and many changes occurred.

The School Board members are members of the community who volunteer and are elected by the voters in the school district. Charlie Hughes and Richard Poore are the newest members of the Board, having been elected in April of 1990.

The biggest move of the Board was redistricting, which changed Neosho from a 4 to 3-year high school. This was made possible by building a new Benton Elementary School. Neosho Junior High was changed to eighth and ninth grade with Intermediate serving as a sixth and seventh grade middle school. Field Elementary was made into a Kindergarten and Early Childhood Learning Center. These changes affected many students in the district.

The Board also dealt with the issue of busing students who lived less than one mile from their school of attendance. This, along with budgeting and normal school occurrences kept the Board very active.

Working in cooperation with the administration and faculty, the 1990-91 Neosho School Board provided students with a healthy learning environment.

The members of the 1990-91 Neosho School Board keep the school in order and running smoothly. They are, left to right: Sherman Foote, Charlie Hughes, and Richard Poore. Seated are the officers, left to right: Marjorie Fausett, Secretary; Stan Marion, President; and Bill Lee, Vice-President.



Communication is important for board members. President Stan Marion and Secretary Marjorie Fausett seem to understand each other well.



Top, Vice-President Bill Lee supports Project Graduation and tests his shooting ability. Bottom, Richard Poore discusses an issue with a concerned citizen.

Evening Shade, Arkansas native and Neosho Superintendent, Dr. Roy Shaver takes a break from his office and piles of paper work.

The 1990-91 school year saw many changes within the Neosho R-V school district. Two of these changes were within the positions of superintendent and assistant superintendent.

Dr. Roy Shaver stepped into the position of Superintendent of Schools after serving as Assistant Superintendent. Dr. Shaver's job is centered around the students in the district and making the system work for them.

Dr. Shaver often needs help with the huge amount of work he is responsible for and this is where Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Dale Slagle, steps in. Mr. Slagle is serving his first year as Assistant Superintendent after filling the position of Neosho High School Principal for the past three years. Together, Dr. Shaver and Mr. Slagle lead the way in keeping the school district running efficiently.



Dr. Shaver, above, discusses an important issue with board member Sherman Foote. Dr. Shaver is present at all board meetings to give updates and information about the school.



Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Dale Slagle helps Dr. Shaver keep the schools and over 3500 students in order.

Principals and Directors

NEW FACES . . .

The "New Kid on the Block" this year was Mr. Matt Spencer. He replaced Mr. Dale Slagle who moved on to the position of R-V assistant superintendent. Mr. Spencer brought with him many years of teaching, coaching, and administrative experience.

Mrs. Nancy Rugh transferred from the English classroom to the position of assistant principal, while Mr. Bill Rogers, formerly assistant principal of the Senior High School, is now the principal of the Junior High School. It was a busy year for our administration as they tried to guide our schools through many changes.

Right, keeping the high school in order which is a full time job is Mr. Spencer. Below, Mrs. Rugh flashes her famous smile.



What a day! Mr. Bill Rogers shows us how to take a break and how to relieve stress with a hamburger and coffee. This is a no calorie hamburger!



Collecting coffee mugs is one of high school principal Mr. Lewis's many hobbies.

Left, Renee Goostree, Director of Special Education and below, Dan Chapman, Director of Maintenance and Transportation work hard at their jobs.



Not very many people realize the enormous amount of work the administrative offices in the Neosho School District do to make each day run smoothly. Mounds of paperwork can pile up and be very tiresome, but Betty Cagle, upper left, Director of Elementary Education, seems to breeze through the books. Above, Charlotte Nichols has many responsibilities as Director of Food Services, and she still has plenty of smiles for everyone. Left, When he's not in the classroom, Robin Montz deals with the many duties of the Director of Information Services.

Support Staff



Superintendent's office personnel: seated: Sarah Dahlstrom, standing: Christy Enloe, Eula Hill, Teri Burton, and Jody Sappington.



Junior High office: Judy Brown and Lisa Cole.

Secretarial personnel played an important part in the successful 1990-91 school year. These people were required to deal with traditional duties performed by office staff as well as having to face daily needs of students and teachers.



Senior High office: Carol Noah, Faye Phillips, Janice Farrell, and Jeanne Hailey.



Lou Barnes spends her day running the district's print room. Not pictured: Mr. Tink Assistant



Jerry Williams and Donnie Abernathy are always available to help students and staff when a maintenance problem arises.



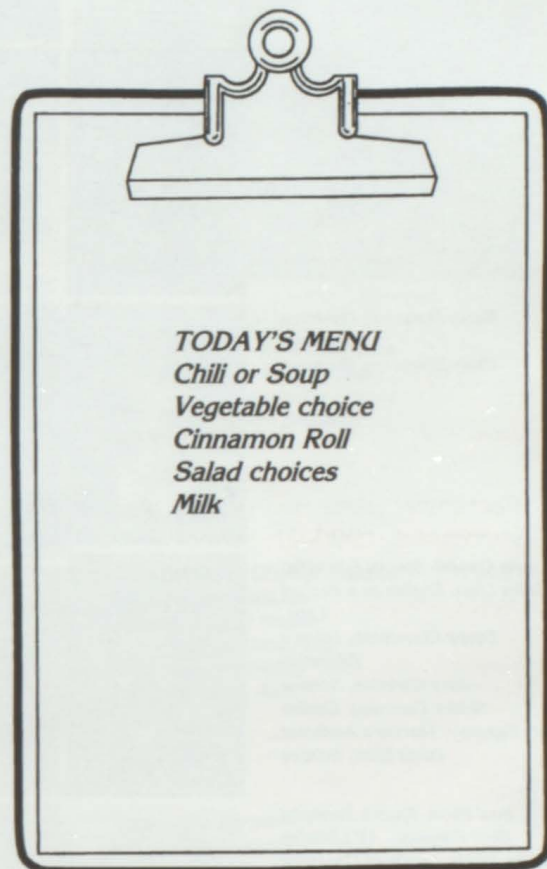
Judy Whittington helps to keep our school a pleasant place to work and study.



Thanks to our many great cooks we have the opportunity to select from a wide variety of lunch choices each day.



Check the sign, Jerry!



A favorite!

Faculty

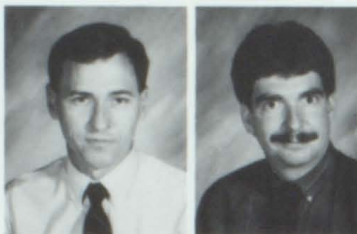
Computers!

Do you get aggravated when you need a computer for a class assignment and can't find one to use? NHS students now have the Writing Lab to turn to. There are 24 IBM computers in the writing lab and six printers. The lab can be used before, during, and after school by anyone who needs access to a computer or word processor.

The teachers are very pleased with the new writing lab because they feel that students are writing more and improving their skills substantially. Students show a great interest in the lab because it's easier to get assignments done, and it's used almost continuously. There's always a tutor in the lab to provide assistance. The writing lab was made possible through a grant Mrs. Cummins procured from the state. It's been very helpful to students and teachers this year and we hope it continues to be a success.

Mrs. Cummins' beaming smile shows how proud she is of the new Computer Lab; "Scarlett", the computer, seems to be one of her favorites.

Clarence Acton, Language Arts
Mike Aldrich, Vocational
Agriculture



Dave Bassore, Physical Education
Vali Beck, Special Education



Becky Brannock, Guidance
Counselor
Cindy Branscum, Business



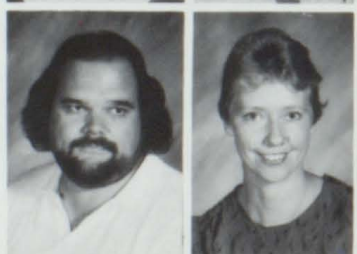
Jane Caudell, Special Education
Gatha Chen, English as a Second
Lang.
Denny Chenoweth, Driver's
Education
Jerry Christian, Science
Shirley Cummins, English
Judy Elghmay, Teacher's Assistant
David Elliot, Science



Soni Elrod, Speech Therapist
Gene Ferguson, AV Librarian
Shirley Fickie, Guidance Counselor
Charles Goade, Social Studies
Marsha Harlan, Physical Education
Clone Hatfield, Guidance
Counselor
Steve Haupt, Math



Bill Henton, Social Studies
Diane Hill, Business
Russell Hively, Language Arts
Carolyn Hulsey, Home Economics
Paul Hunter, Science/AFJROTC
James Kelso, Instrumental Music
Jackie Kenny, Spanish/German



Teaching can take a toll on the best of our teachers. Ms. Marble and Ms. Harlan seem to be under a lot of stress and quite shy in front of the camera.



During his prep hour Mr. Morehead seems to be hard at work, but we know better.

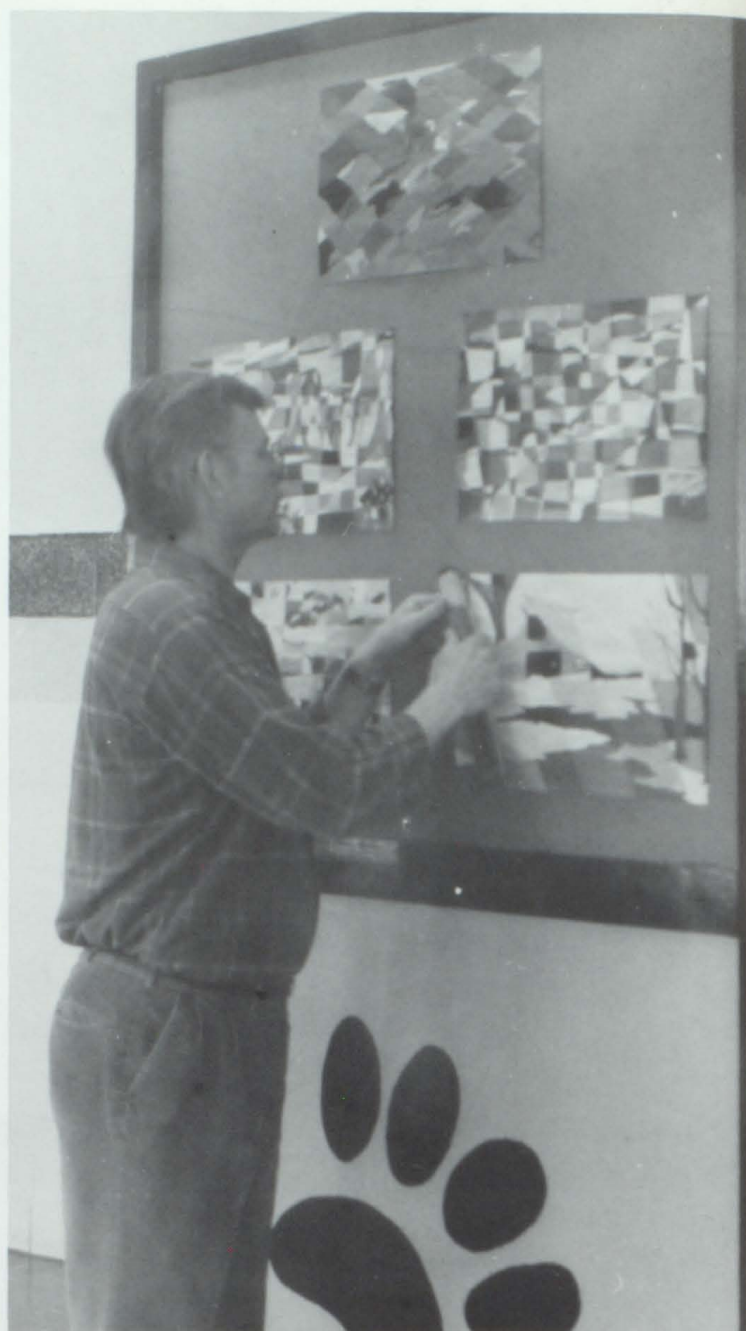
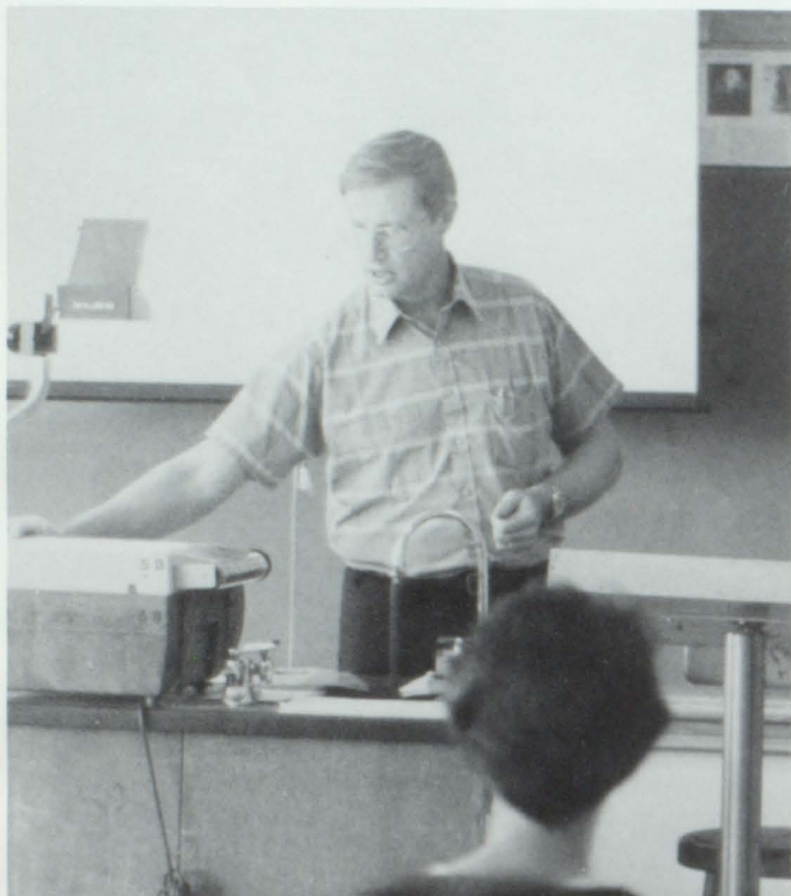


Kathy Kissee, English
Karen Kleibocker, Home Economics
Beverly Lewis, Teacher's Assistant
Judy Manhattan, Computer Science
Carol Marble, Special Education
Donna McIntire, Math

Sharon Meredith, Librarian Assistant
Diana Messens, Business
Mike Miller, Social Studies
Michele Mitchell, Vocal Music
Robin Montz, Psychology
George Morehead, Math

Peggy Payne, Librarian
Aleta Platner, Business
Susan Randles, English
Jim Rhoades, COE
Linda Richardson, Science
Glynn Sanders, Industrial Arts

Being good at art is certainly a special talent. One must use his imagination and be creative. NHS has many students with artistic abilities and Mr. Warren is proud to display the results. Below, Mr. Sides uses the overhead projector to show chemistry equations. Chemistry is a difficult class for many students and requires a lot of teaching strategy. This year marked history for Mr. Sides. After seventeen years of teaching, he finally got a student teacher. Is this a sign that Chemistry teachers are an endangered species?



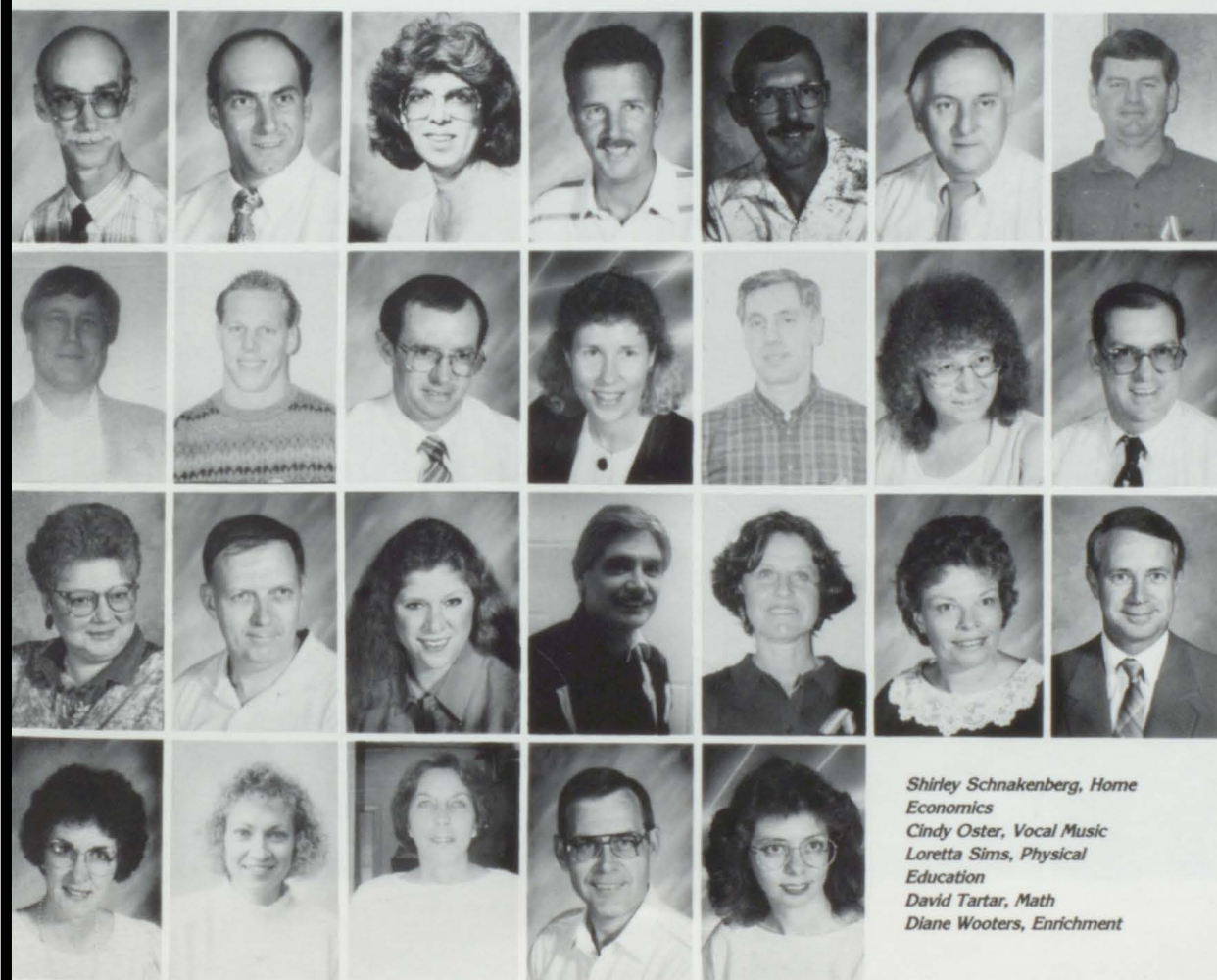
Joe Schibi, German/Social Studies
Gerry Schnackenberg, Nurse
Richard Schultz, AFROTC/AASI
Roger Sides, Science
Gene Smith, Math
Mike Snow, Industrial Arts



Mildred Stover, Language Arts
Cindy Titus, Social Studies
Don Ward, Vocational Agriculture
Gary Warren, Art
David Watkins, Speech/Debate
Stephen Widder, Instrumental Music



Even at the end of a long, hard day, Mr. Jerry Gorham is going strong. He spends his class hours lecturing about different events in our American history. Here he tells students about the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Below, Mr. Ray Godfrey takes time out to help his students conquer polynomials.



Rex Black, Guidance Counselor
Jim Blaes, Social Studies
Ruth Breashears, English
Tony Bussey, Physical Education
Warren Cagle, Math, Science
Gary Dickinson, Science
Joe Fowler, Health

Bob Gillispie, Social Studies
Ray Godfrey, Math
Jerry Gorham, Social Studies
Christy Graham, English
Dave Hammett, Industrial Arts
Rayma Ireland, Special Education
Lary James, Math

Shari Janss, Computer Science
Dwane Jenkins, Art
Linda Lewis, Special Education
Harry Lineberry, Social Studies
Linda Martin, English
Linda Neilson, Speech
Ron Paden, Science

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Loretta Sims, Physical Education
David Tartar, Math
Diane Wooters, Enrichment

Seniors

Class of '91

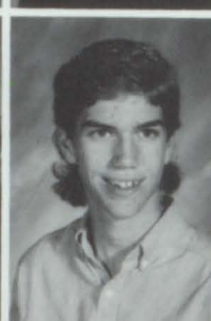
Congratulations to each and every Senior for successfully completing your final year of high school. It took a lot of hard work and determination but it was all worth it.

Along the way you've gained respect, knowledge, and friends! You've made memories which you will never forget. It's an unusual event when a class graduates during the year that a war began and ended. In this world you will have to face many battles. We hope that through the past twelve years you have learned how to handle these battles without causing wars. You have the ability to be whatever you want and to make the world a better place to live in. We would like to extend out warmest wishes for a successful future!

Robert Andrews
Michelle Amce
Kimi Bachmann
Brian Baker
Troy Banks
Christy Barker



Lisa Barker
Jeff Barnett
Kevin Bartley
Sherry Beaver
Jason Beier
Till Bertram



Rupal Bhakta
Emily Blackwell
Brenda Bond
Jenny Boylan
Bobbi Jo Bradley
Devin Bramblett



Debbie Bressie
Becky Briggs
Tona Broady
Lora Brodie
Kristine Brooks
Brandon Burris





Jenny Hood (12) is taking advantage of the opportunity to develop office skills in the Office Occupations class offered by Crowder College. Below: Sheba Burris (12), Dee Dee Houghton (12) and Laura Knight (12) made a special effort to decorate their lockers for their senior year.



*Jerry Burris
Sheba Burris
Adonna Burton
Nick Bussey
Wendy Byrum
Justin Callaway*



*Bruce Caouette
Steve Cash
DeeWayne Charlton
Heather Cholka
Heather Clapp
Tramaine Clark*



*Kim Cleaver
Dawn Clouse
Shelly Clouse
Ronald Cole
Aaron Coleman
Brandi Cook*



*Charles Cooper
Rowdy Cooper
Tami Cooper
Andy Corkery
Angel Cox
Justin Crawford*

Below: Devin Bramblett (12), Laura Wheelan (12), Tricia Jones (12), and Shana Griffin (12) come to school early to have some extra social time with friends. Right: Crowder drafting class keeps you on your toes. Just ask Thad Ramsey (12), Jeff Barnett (12), or Ray Wilson.



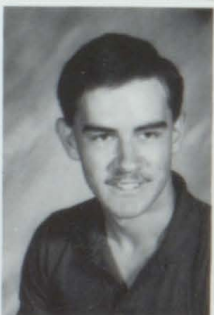
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Lisa Ducommun



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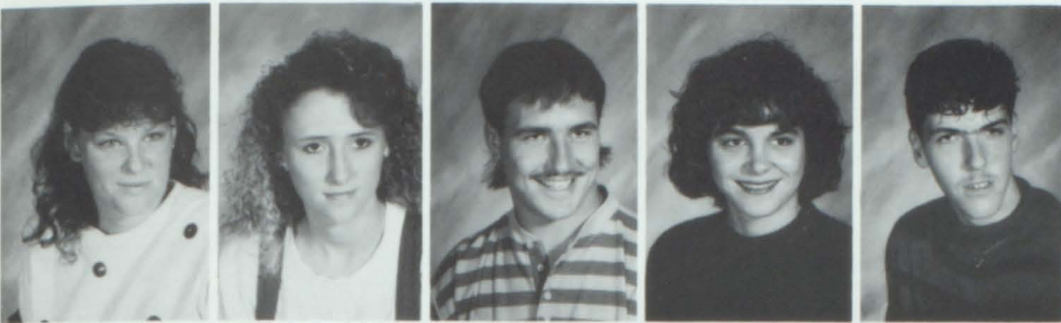


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Glenn Faulkner
Jack Finley
Mick Finley



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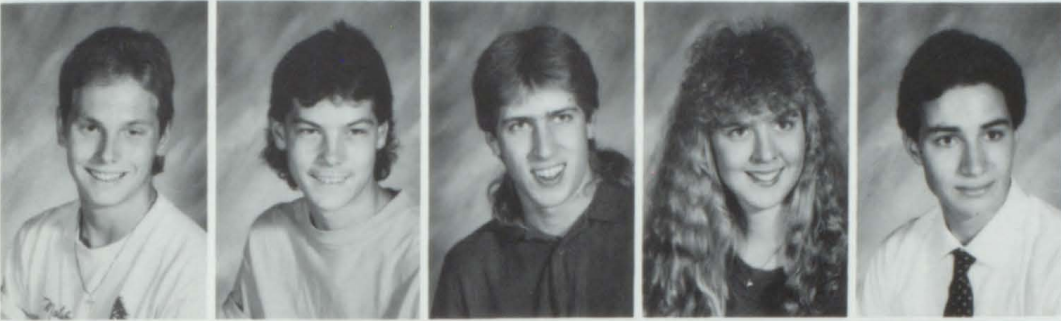




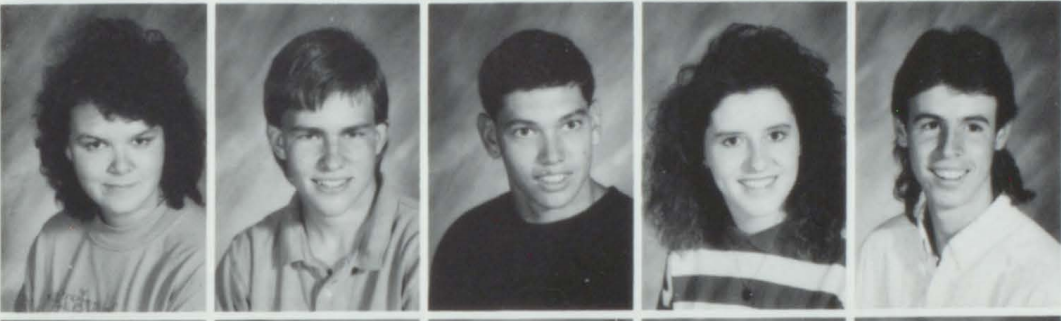
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Jana Fry
Daric Garren
Terri Gillispie
Curt Gilstrap



Kory Gilstrap
Chris Girdner
Tracy Goins
Darren Goodman
Deana Gourley



Jerry Graffis
Chad Granger
Philip Gray
Shana Griffin
David Gustaveson



Brandie Hall
Andy Hansen
Kirk Harryman
Rhonda Haslip
Nick Hays



Dan Hembree
Delores Hembree
Tammie Henry
Frank Herrin
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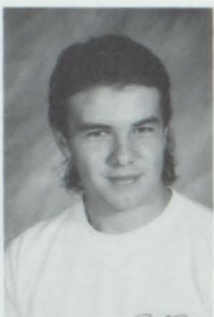


Jenny Hood
Brent Hopper
Gina Hopper
Julie Horton
DeeDee Houghton

Below: 1990-91 Class Officers - David Gustaveson, Vice President; Missy Phelps, President; and Lauri Mills, Secretary-Treasurer. Right: Cameras do nothing for my concentration, so please move on, says Justin Crawford.



*Willie Howard
Wade Hulsey
Kim Hund
Andrea Hunter
Jason Hyder
Matt Jarrett*



*Scott Jenkins
Betty Jibke
Regina Jibke
Cody Johnson
Lori Johnson
Vance Johnson*



*Vic Johnson
Aaron Jones
Kim Jones
Tricia Jones
Mildred Joye
Matthias Kellerer*

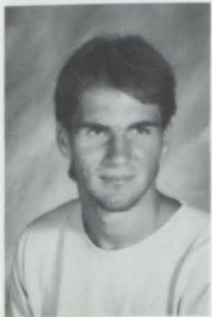


*Paula Kercheval
Angela Kimbrough
Laura Knight
Eric Kruse
Kendall Kruse
Missy Landreth*





Left: Jennifer Marvin (12), Jaymey Nelson (12) and Lore Mahan (12) are taken by surprise. Below: Jenny Stiger (12) and Laurie Thomas (12) had fun wearing their camouflage during spirit week.



Jason Lankford
Heith Lewis
Bud Lewis
Stacy Lindsey
Mary Ann Livingston
Lynnette Lucas



Bill Luke
Amy Lund
Bridget Macy
Nick Macy
Paula Mahaffey
Lore Mahan



Brent Mailles
Michael Mailles
Kim Marion
Amy Martin
Stephanie Martin
Tracy Martin



Jennifer Marvin
Jill Mayfield
Tina McCamish
Anna McCool
Ginger McGarrah
Spring McGraw

Below: Laurie Mills (12) and Doug Wilson (12) know that concentration is of prime importance when trying to debug a program. Right: Wade Hulsey (12) and Shih-Pei Sung (12) try to stir up their creative abilities for an art project.



Mischele McLaughlin
Lauri Mills
Brandy Moore
Angela Morrison
Callie Morse



Ann Moser
Hesa Motlock
Lori Mugg
Danny Musgrove
Jaymey Nelson



Jacob Neuenswander
Andy Nimmo
Angie Norris
Jennifer Ogle
Jason Oxford



Jared Parrett
Paula Patterson
Missy Phelps
Jason Pierce
Josh Pietrzak





Tawnia Pogue
JoEtta Powers
Kerry Prater
Nelson Price
Debby Prier



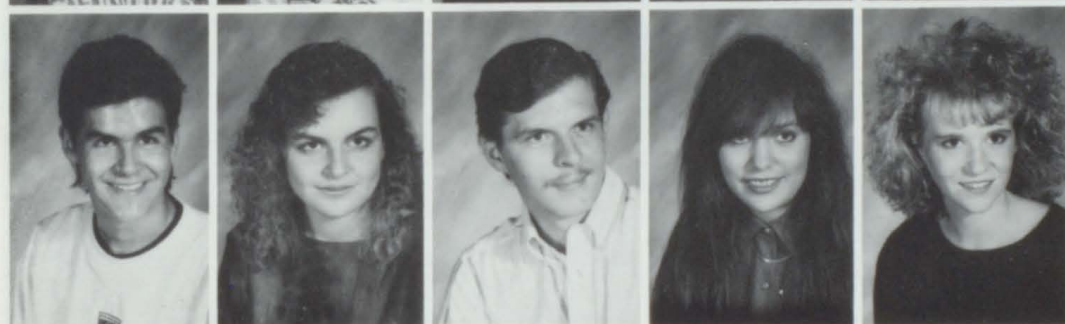
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Amy Rader
Jennifer Ralston
Thad Ramsey
Barbara Rasmussen



Dawnett Ray
Brandy Renfro
Jo Anne Renfro
Ben Rigdon
Chris Roberts



Gary Robinson
Bradley Rosario
Leslie Roy
Deanna Rush
Billy Sallee



Christopher Sampson
Terra Sanders
Jeff Sarratt
Paula Schuler
Katie Scott



Tom Scroggins
Missy Seigel
Jennifer Sexton
Jason Shaw
Russell Sherman

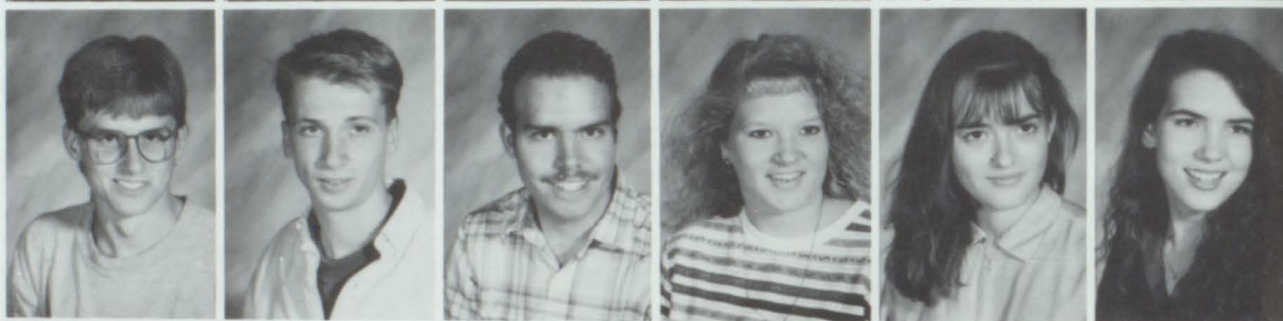
Below: Curt Gilstrap is caught in the act of doing something suspicious. Right: Barbara Rasmussen and Jill Mayfield seem to be aggravating Angela Morrison.



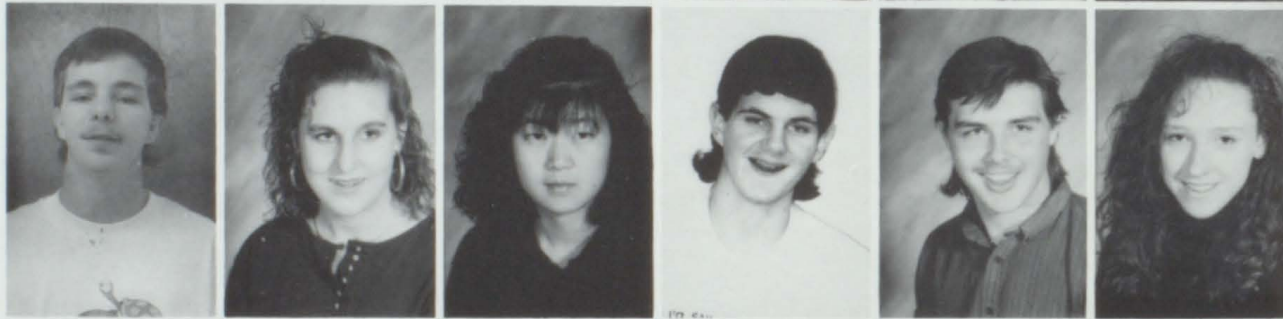
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Darleen Shinkle
Wylie Sims
Jack Skym
Josh Slade
Michelle Slawter*



*Travis Smith
Derek Snyder
Scott Sonnabend
Khristi Stephens
Rachel Stephens
Jenny Stiger*



*Robbie Stotts
Marie Strohl
Shih-Pei Sung
Trent Taylor
Brian Testerman
Jenny Testerman*

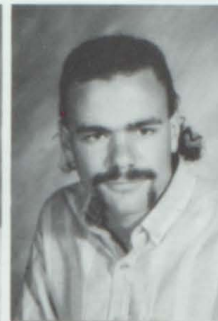


*Laurie Thomas
Thomas Ting
Allen Tosh
Jason Trenary
Robbie Troxel
Melinda Tyler*

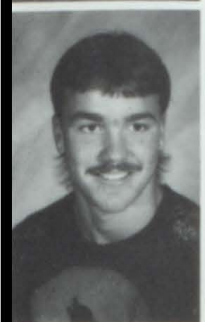




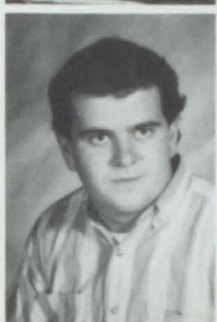
Far left: Kristine Brooks (12) makes it obvious that it's been a good day even though her schedule is hectic. Left: Mary Ann Livingston (12) pauses to model on her way back from Mrs. Hulsey's mailbox. Below: Barb Webster (12) and Ronald Cole (12) seem to have confused their computer.



Charlotte Walker
Robert Wallis
Travis Walthall



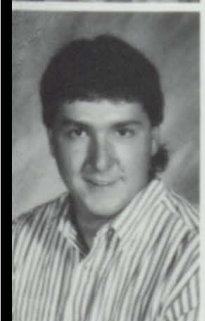
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Teresa Watts
Barb Webster
Rhett Wellington
Rebecca Wentworth
Jeff Werneke



Laura Wheelan
Darren Whitman
Jed Willets
Jason Williams
Tim Williams
Tina Williams



Wendy Williamson
Doug Wilson
Jennifer Wilson
Ray Wilson
Stephanie Wince
Rachelle Woodard



Jason Woods
Whitney Wright
Byron Wylie
James Wylie
Patti Wylie
Michelle Bousquet

SENIOR PERSONALITIES

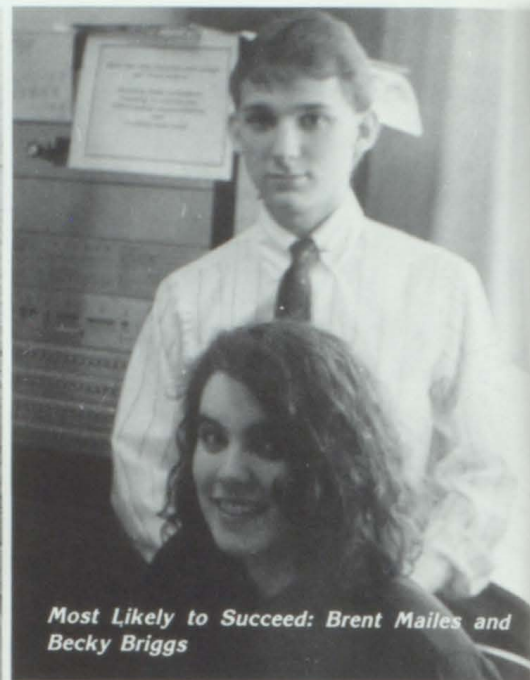
Each year, members of the Senior class vote for their favorite Senior Personalities. Shown are the Senior Personalities for the class of 1991.



Most Scholarly: Ron Cole and Rupal Bhakta



Best Eyes: Ben Rigdon and JoAnna Renfro



Most Likely to Succeed: Brent Mailles and Becky Briggs



Best Hair: Matthias Kellerer and Lauri Mills



Best Looking: Chad Granger and Jenny Boylan



Biggest Wolf/Flirt: Wiley Sims and Missy Phelps



Ideal Couple: Andy Nimmò and Lori Mugg



Best Legs: Jason Lankford and Angela Kimbrough



Best Smile: Bobby Warden and Kim Marion



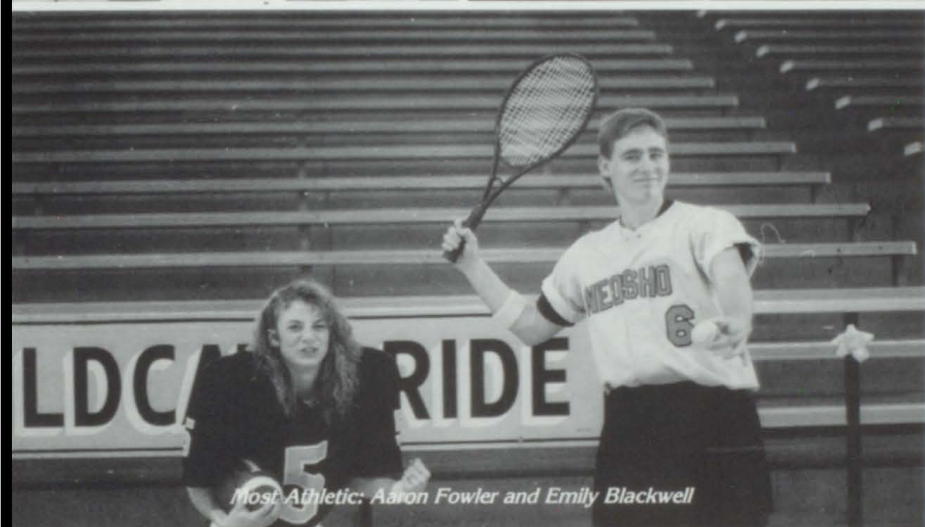
Shyest: Chris Sampson and Sheba Burris



Personality Plus: David Gustaveson and Julie Dickinson



Best Body: Rob Troxel and Whitney Wright



Most Athletic: Aaron Fowler and Emily Blackwell



Most Talented: Aaron Coleman and Rebecca Wentworth



Best Dressed: Danny Musgrove and Bridget Macy

Juniors

Imagine . . . a student walking down a long, crowded hallway. Other students turn their heads and look with respect at the proud Junior (soon to be senior). The day that all Juniors have waited longingly for is fast approaching. The day of being a senior, a person in a position of leadership, the beginning of a great year!

As Juniors look back on their pre-Senior years, they will remember the weekend trips to the mall, cruising Main, and working late. As seniors, many more memories will be added to the many opportunities that are offered the high school senior. Hopefully, fulfilling the hopes and dreams of many students.

At some point, a sudden wave of anticipation may engulf the Junior just waiting for the final year of high school. It is hard to wait to grow up and to experience the "real world." But, there is time for all of that, to reach all of the goals that were set and that will be changed in the years ahead. The only thing left to be done is for the challenge to be faced.

A word to the current seniors: thanks for being there when we needed you, but the Junior Class is on the move and we are **READY** to take over! Express Yourself Juniors!

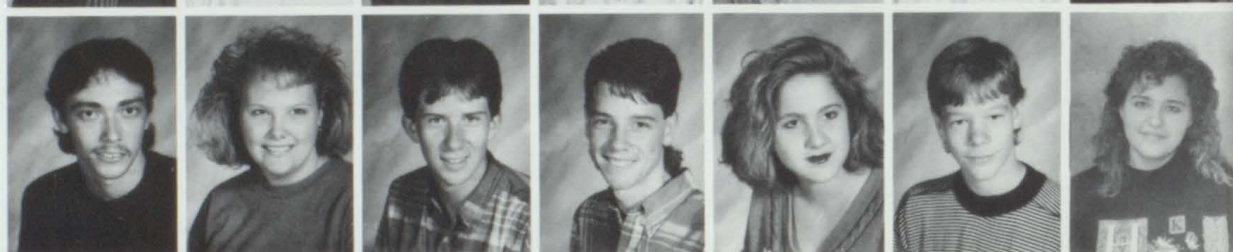
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Nathan Allen
Louis Amato
Tina Ames
Sissy Anderson
Kendra Andrews



Dusty Askins
Matt Babbitt
Julie Barker
Kim Baum
Keli Beaver
Brandon Beshears
Stephanie Bishop



Seth Bledsoe
Hayley Blevens
Don Boman
Gary Bond
Heather Bowers
Justin Bowers
Kemmy Boyer



Fred Branstetter
Kendra Brattin
Bobby Britten
Jerry Brock
Eric Brodie
Karen Brodie
Chad Brooks



Greg Brown
Monica Brown
JeanAnn Bruce
Michelle Bunch
Cecelia Burtis
Stephanie Bush
Chad Butler





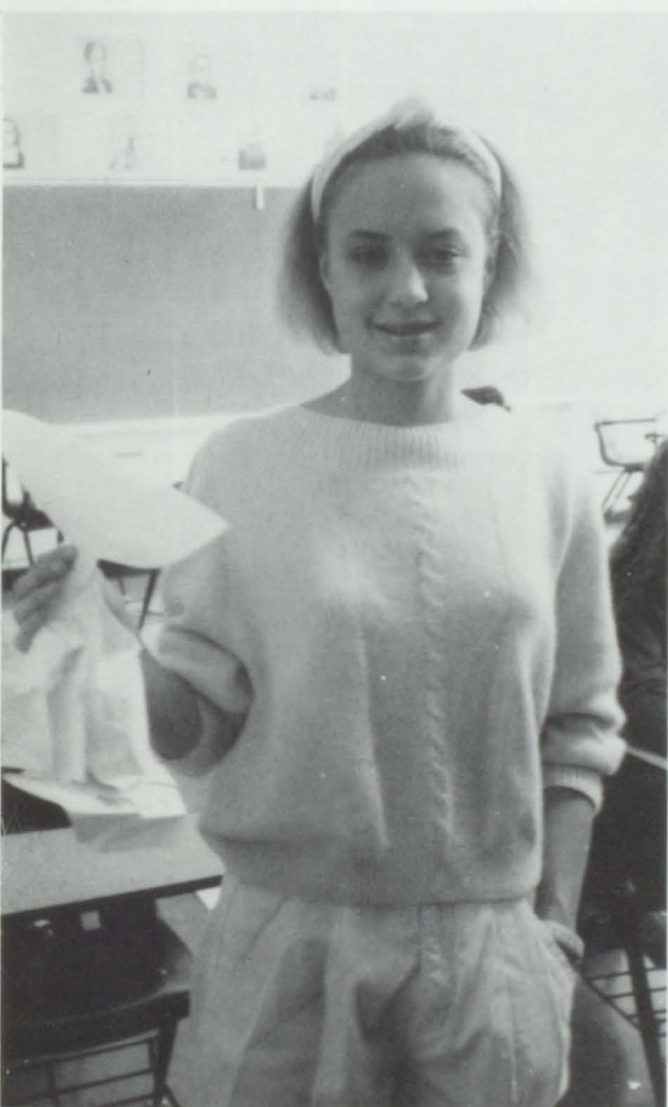
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Billy Carter
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Robert Clines
Dea Cohu



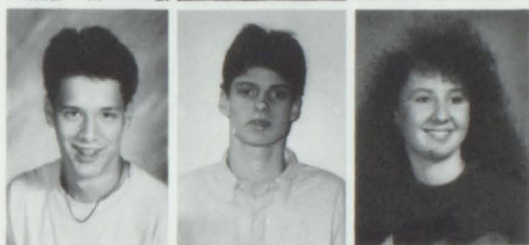
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Jeff Copeland
Becky Courtney
Jim Crawford
Rick Crawford
Melissa Crumbliss
Doug Dahnke



Krista McGruder (11) is getting ready for another grueling day in Mr. Haupt's Physics class.



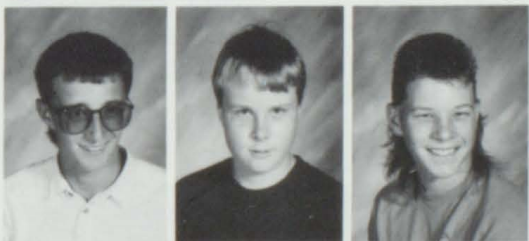
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Jennifer DeLancy
Jeff Denefrio



Jason Dickinson
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Shanna Downs



Scott Dudolski
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Dianah Eaggleston

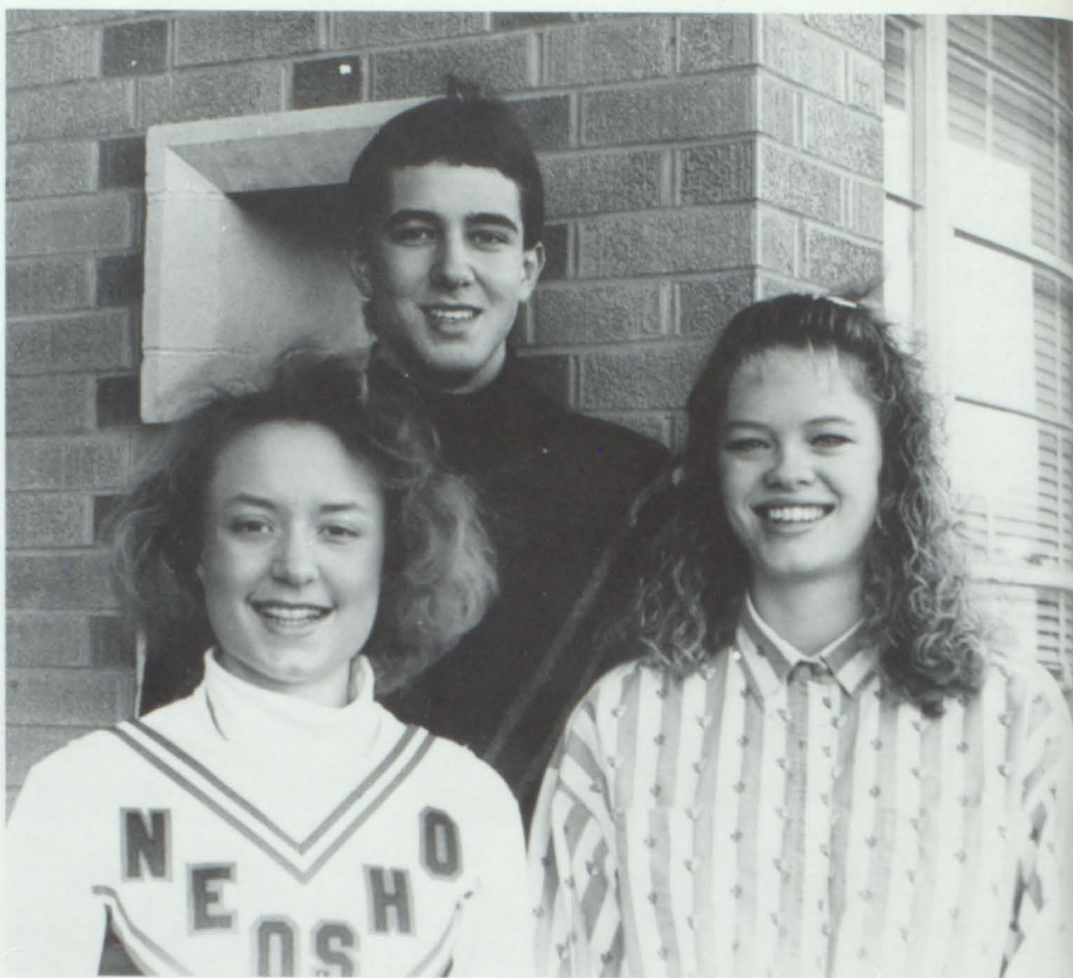


Todd Ebbinghaus
Bill Edwards
Bobby Elliott



Scott Ely
Tammie Epp
Nori Farber

The Junior Class Officers for the 1990-91 school year were Krista McGruder, President; Greg Brown, Vice President; and Beth Schnackenberg, Secretary/Treasurer. Below: It sometimes seems like there's a shortage of school spirit, but thanks to students like Mindy Marble, (11) posters do get made for many school activities.



Chris Farrell
Jason Faulkner
Shanna Ferguson
Delbert Fletcher
Jennifer Frazier
Stacy Gage
Pam Gates



Will Gates
Shandrew George
Joel Goff
Terry Gooch
John Gray
Kim Greer
Tony Guppy



Frankie Haase
Don Haffle
Eloise Hager
Kent Hames
Jason Hankins
Jennifer Hardage
Tim Hardy



Adam Harper
Nancy Harrison
Cassy Hastings
Michele Head
Tressia Hembree
Chyna Henson
Scott Herrin





Hollie Hintz
Andrew Hobson
Randy House
Stephanie Hudelson
Travis Hughes
Joella Hurlburt
Stephen James

Dennis Johnson
Mark Johnson
Justin Jones
Stefanie Jones
Amy Jordan
Jack Jordan
Jeff Keeler

Brian Keller
David Kelley
Ed Kelly
Beth Kendall
Cortney Kimbley
Jeremy Kolbe
Eric Kruse

Carol Lahman
Shawn Landers
Kevin Larson
Jennifer Lasswell
Kerri Latshaw
Jim Ledford
Matt Lee

Russell Lewis
Scott Lineberry

Cindy Lodrup
Kim Lowe

Mindy Marble
Amber McBee

Mike McClendon
Heather McConaghy



Joella Hurlburt (11) has discovered something very funny in the book shelves. Being a library technician must be great fun.

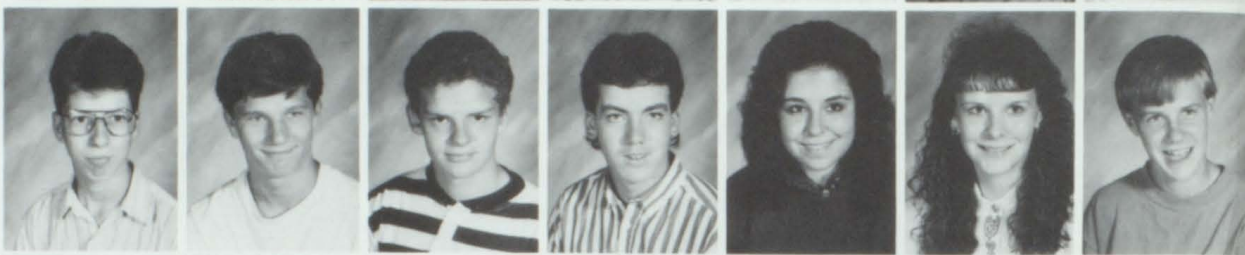
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Aaron Miller
Jason Miller
Ladon Miller
Patty Miller



Bobby Miller
Bill Millikin
David Moore
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Randy Needham
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Ryan Palmer
John Parks



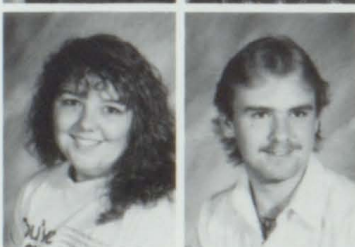
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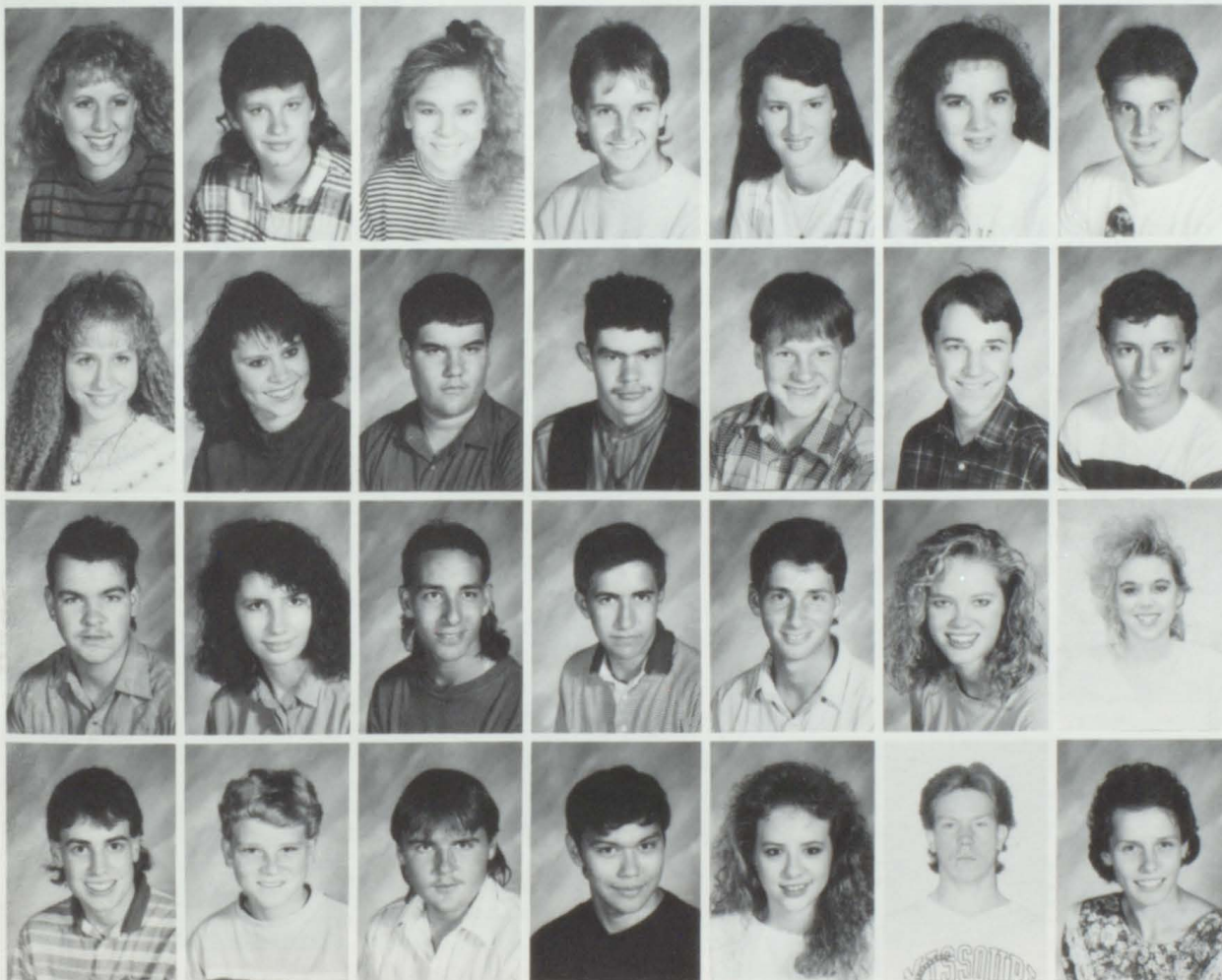
Tami Philliber
Debbie Phillips



Promoting and selling yearbooks is one of many responsibilities of the yearbook staff. Bobby Britten works on promotion posters for the 1991 yearbook.



Left: MEOW!!! Doug Dahnke (11) might be really spooked if he heard that while dissecting that cat! Below: Michelle Bunch and Kim Greer catch up on the latest before school.



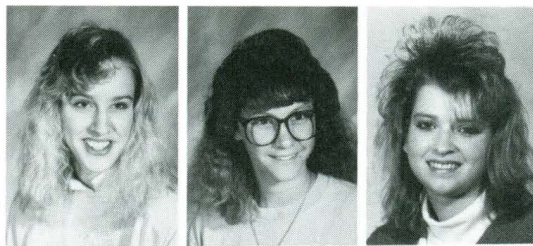
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Gene Putman
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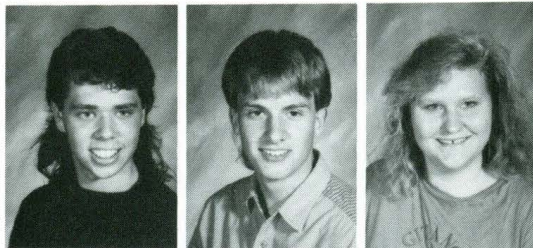
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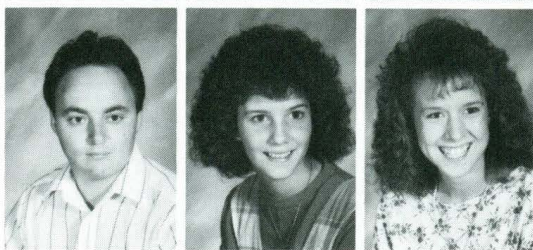
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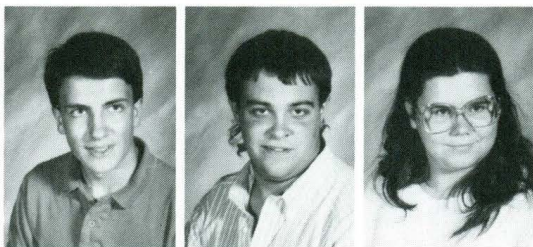
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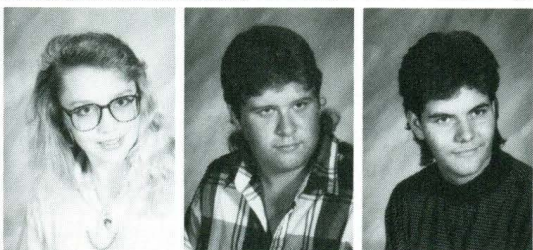
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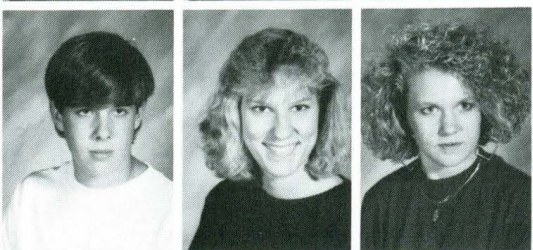
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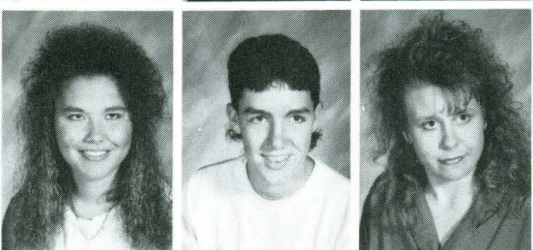
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Jerel Twitchell



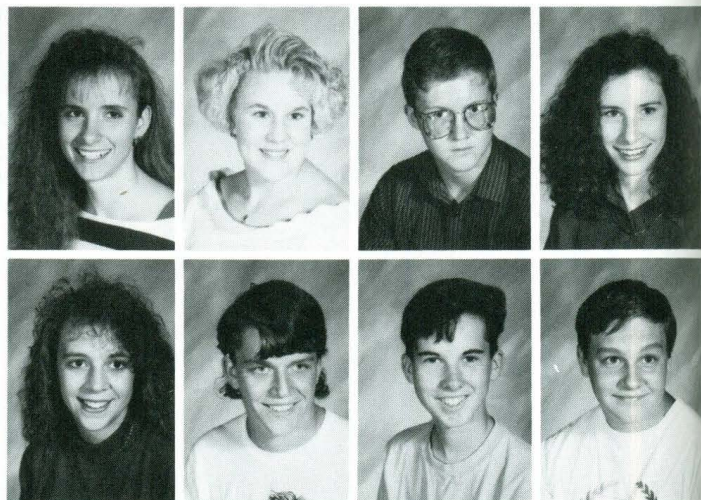
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Sarah Waldroupe
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Adrian Warren



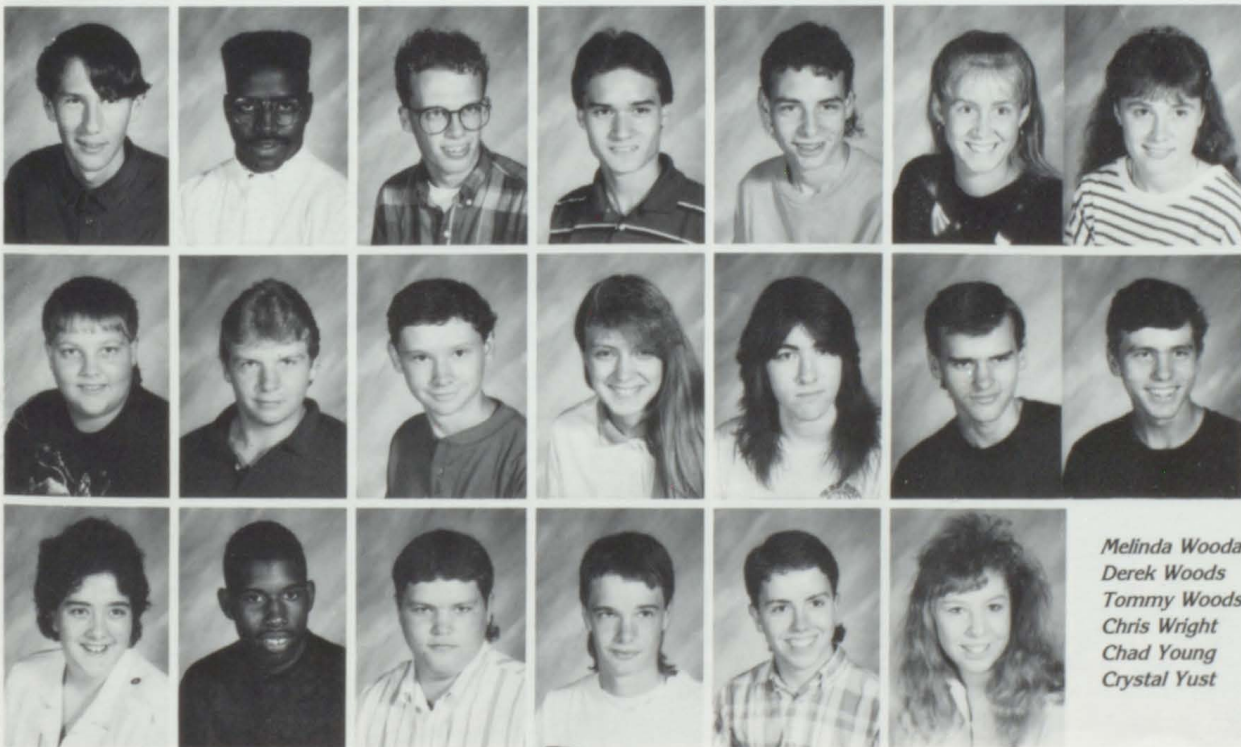
Randy House and Trey Sandoval take a break on the junior benches and discuss the state of the world.



Jennifer Charles and Hayley Blevens show us that even though school is tough, friends can help each other get through the day.



Left, Nichole Wicks shows she can be as nice as the next guy as long as she is off the court. Lower, Nekia Parks and buddy, Stacie Mosby show off their pearly whites. Below, Kendra Brattin and Nancy Harrison take time out of the busy school day to stop and chat over the days events. Lower right, Is it really a good idea to sit Kent Turpen, Nori Farber, Doug Dahnke, and Stacy Phillips together?



Rik Watson
Sam Watson
Jeremy Weis
Jason Welch
Steve West
Melanie Whiteside
Nichole Wicks

Bobby Williams
Charlie Williams
Dan Williams
Tina Williams
Matt Winegardner
Jackie Winkler
Lonnie Winkler

Melinda Woodall
Derek Woods
Tommy Woods
Chris Wright
Chad Young
Crystal Yust

Sophomores

Did sophomores really move up the high school ladder? Although this class earned the right to be called sophomores, with the restructuring of the high school, they were once again the youngest class. They were denied the age-old tradition of picking on the freshmen. For a second year in a row the sophomores were the ones booed at pep assemblies and given lockers by the junior high.

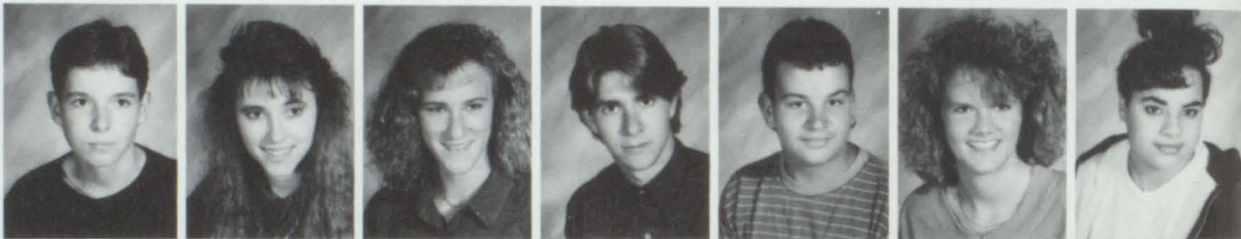
Being a sophomore still has its privileges over being a freshman. Most sophomores obtained driver's licenses, which made freedom an important issue both at home and at school. At least this makes them a year closer to obtaining their goal.

Falling in the hall can be embarrassing, but Lura Hunt, 10, tries to see the humor in it.

By the expression on Kristie Browning's, 10, face, it seems working in the library can be very rewarding.



Mike Abercombie
Melissa Ackerson
Chrystal Acton
Bill Allen
Ira Allman
Jean Arnce
Christine Arrayo



Eric Atkinson
Mary Babbitt
Chris Baldwin
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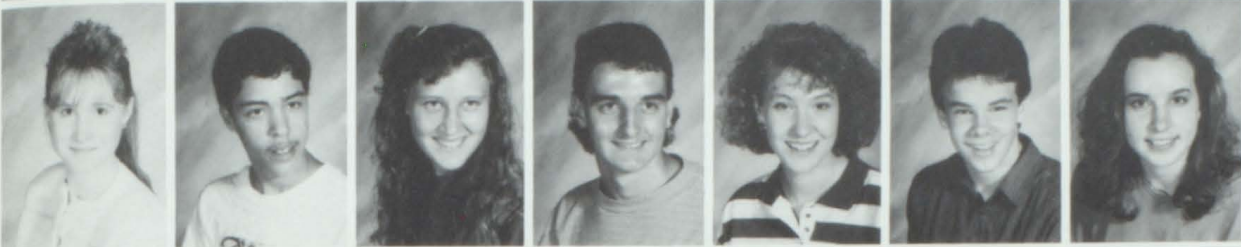


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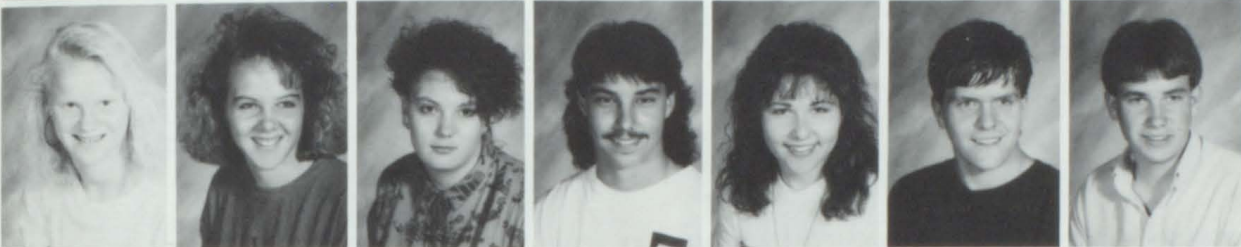
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Susan Brown
Kristi Browning
Christy Bryant
Kendra Buchanan
April Burr



Cheryl Burton
Joe Caouette
Lydia Caouette
Jason Carnes
Heather Casey
Matt Cashell
Susan Cerini



Kari Charter
Kevin Cherry
Sheila Childers
Corby Clark
Stacey Clemons
Angela Calley
Vernon Cook



Mandi Corsbie
Jennifer Cory
Sasha Coyle
Chris Crane
Tronda Daniels
Jeremy Davis
Jonathan Davis



Top left: Valerie Bertch, Christie Skelton, Kari Charter, and Karen Morris take time out from a tennis match to pose for a picture. Top: April Burr and Jana Green prepare to hand out flowers from sweethearts on Valentine's Day. Left: Jon Gatwood, Mark Turpen, Ronnie Housh and Tige Henson show you what it really means to "hang loose".



Far right: Facial expressions tell all about a person. Here it seems Sam Haas (10) doesn't seem particularly happy about something. Right: A group of sophomores have a good time playing 4-square on the patio. Participants include: Kenny Hickman, Travis Welch, and Joe Biggs.

Tabetha Davis
Jack Dickens
Missy Duncan
Timothy Duncan
Amy Elhard
Chris Endicott
Justin Ernest



Dallas Evans
Stephen Farrell
Mendi Ferguson
Manuel Ferraiz
Torrius Fisher
Jason Flynn
Rachel Forkner



Shawna Foster
Jamie Franklin
Robert Fry
Stacey Fulkerson
Angela Gabriel
Misti Gardner
Stephanie Garner



Carl Garrison
Joshua Gary
Jon Gatwood
Christina George
Mike German
Kevin Glass
Amanda Gourley



Jana Green
Sam Haas
Deanna Hall
Holly Hammett
Sarah Hansen
Chris Hardy
Julie Harmon



Right: There's only a few minutes between classes for students to visit as we see friends Susan Brown and Holly Hammett go their separate ways promising to pick up the conversation later. Below: A few minutes of relaxation just before the bell.



Melissa Harmon
Jennifer Harris
Susan Hartgrave
Justin Harvel
Julie Hastings
John Hathaway
John Heiskell



Paula Hendricks
Gabe Henry
Tige Henson
Kenny Hickman
Randy Hobart
Chad Hodkin
Danissa Holt



Celeste Homyak
Timothy Hood
Adrian Hopper
Tony Horne
Ronnie Housh
Matt Houston
Jeremy Huffman



Terry Humphrey
Samantha Hund
Lura Hunt
Teresa Hutchins
Stacy Jackson
Stacie Jefferies
Gretchen Jobe



Javelin Johnson
Wendy Johnson
Robin Jones
Michelle Jordan
Nacona Jordan
Shawn Keena

Right: Crystal Stephens (10) shows her school spirit by painting signs. Below: Always ready for extra attention are sophomores Jason Norman, Stephanie Booth, Julie Harmon, Matt Cashel, Susan Hartgrave, Jason Carnes, and Timothy Duncan. Far right: Javelin Johnson (10) looks as if he needs help from Chad Hodkin (10) in the lab.



George Keplar
Stephanie Kohler
Jason Lansdown
Amber Lasiter
Melissa Lawson
Christopher Lay
Jamie Leeper



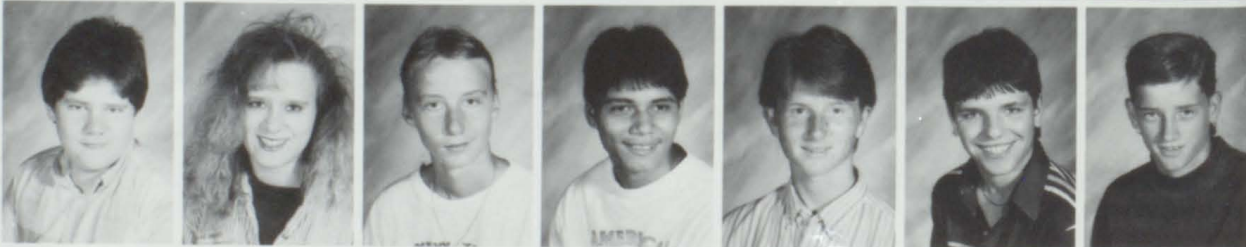
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Victoria Looney



Mandy Lund
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Meredith McConaghy
Kathy McElwain
Brian McGehee



Chris McGilvray
Michelle McGranahan
Travis McGruder
Mike McGuire
James Medlock
Shawn Merrell
Tim Metscher





Elizabeth Miller
Steven Miller
Gerad Millhollon
Stephanie Millikin
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Chris Mitchell
Clint Mitchell

Heather Mitchell
Jason Mitchell
Christina Mitts
Misty Moon
Chris Morgan
Karen Morris
Chris Morrow

Rusti Mowery
Danetta Murphy
Jeremy Neal
Chad Neece
Rondia Neff
Ben Neuenswander
Roger Newell

David Nichols
Chad Nixon
Jason Norman
Jamie Odell
Tammy Ogilvie
Joanna Owens
Kim Parker



Above left: It's always fun to get out of gym, Tracy Werries (10) enjoys her break. Left: Chris Morrow Sophomore Class President and Abe Banks Sophomore Secretary/Treasurer. Above: Jana Green (10) thinks working in the lab makes homework more interesting.

Top: Sophomores April Burr, Chrystal Acton, Jana Green, Gary Standefer, and Kenny Wells had a great time at the Petra concert. Bottom, Chris Stephens (10) takes advantage of the "Write Move!"

My life ahead promises much, not easy will it be to work my way up.

I want to make statements in our world tomorrow. About life and hope in days of sorrow.

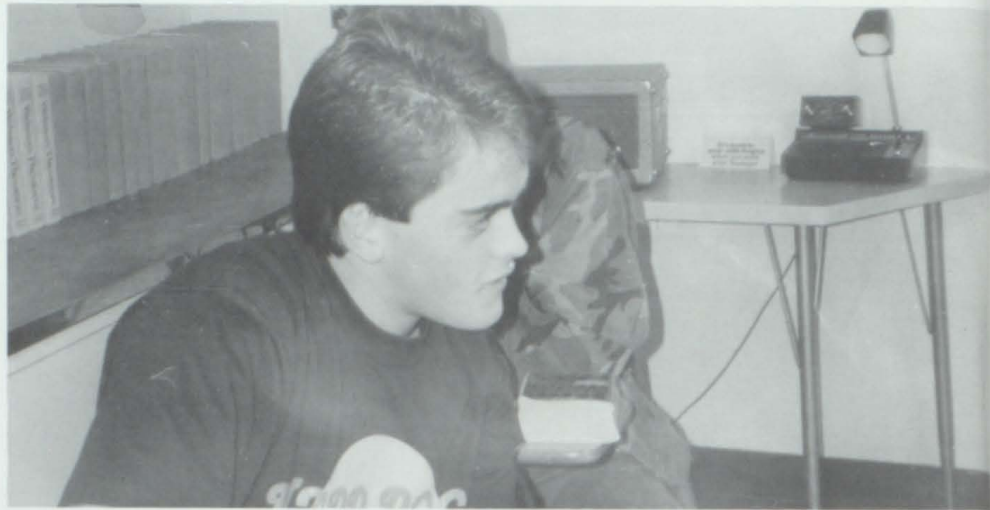
Each person here must follow their goals, to better ourselves, to make ourselves whole.

Because we are here and want the best, we must work to achieve and pass many tests.

But trying as life becomes, we must not give up until our victory comes.

This I say for many reasons, most of all that life isn't easy. So let's work together for success and help each other achieve the best.

By Rachel Smith



Kirsten Parks
Michael Peacher
Sherren Phelan
Candy Pilkenton
Sonda Plant
Shayla Pogue
Ellen Poor



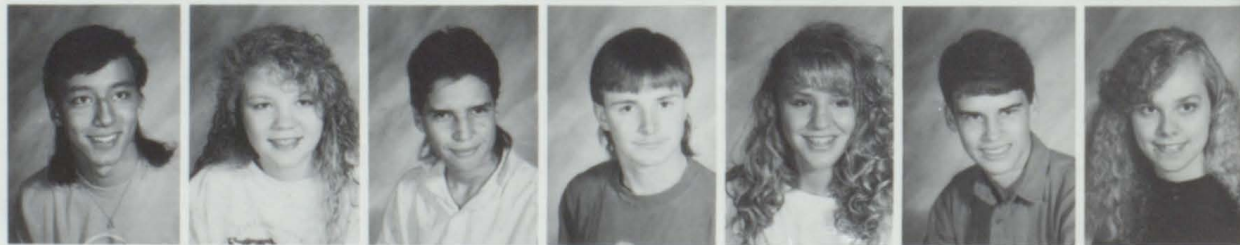
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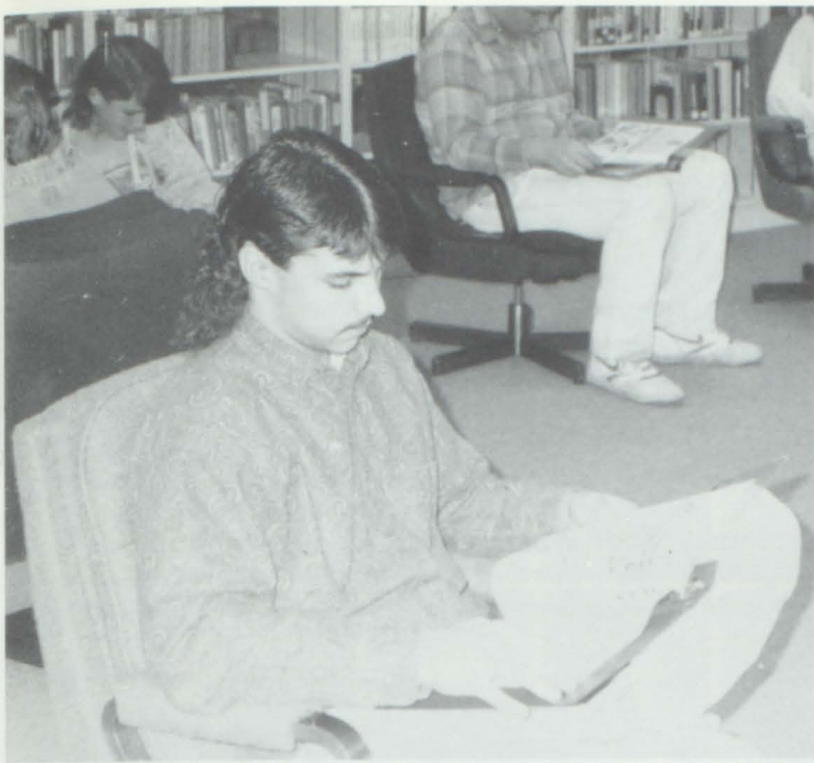


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Justin Riley
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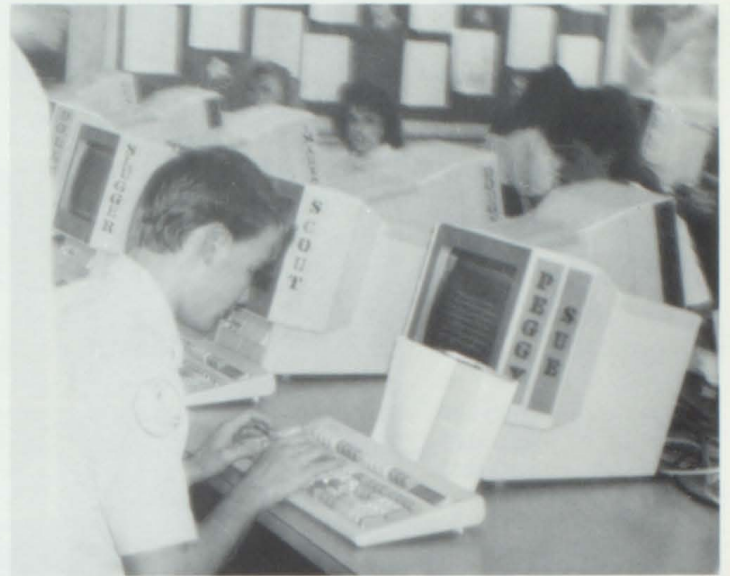


Wayne Sandoval
Tanya Sarraatt
Christian Scott
Chad Shartzner
Christy Skelton
Joel Smith
Rachel Smith





Below: Adrian Hopper (10) works hard to get done before the bell. Left: Chris Crane (10) relaxes in the library rocking chairs while reading.



Jennifer Spicer
Samantha Spor
Gerad Sprenkle
Gary Standefer
Chris Stephens
Crystal Stephens
Mika Stephens

Travis Stephenson
Crystal Straughn
David Sumner
Anthony Tanner
David Tartar
Kevin Thomas
Misti Thornberry

Tammy Tooley
Barbara Tordoff
Mark Turpen
Rhonda Wallis
Deborah Watson
Tiffany Watson
Travis Welch

Kenneth Wells
Tracie Werries
Starla Wheeler
Shawn Widener
April Wilder
Michelle Wilder
Amanda Wilfong

Cheryl Willet
Jeffrey Williams
Richard Williamson
Jeremy Willman
Heath Winchester
Linda Wren
Michael Yarrington

Freshmen

Kyle Ainsworth



Stephanie Alexander
Christine Alvarado
Vic Andrews
Laura Ansell
Pepper Baker
Lindsay Barnes
Miranda Barnett



Regina Bebe
Adam Becknell
Jason Begey
Angie Biggs
Stephen Bishop
Becky Blackwell
Quentin Bogle



Jason Bond
Shane Booth
Stacy Boyd
Eric Boyer
Natalie Brattin
Melanie Breshears
Nathan Bressie



Bobby Briggs
Jennifer Brooks
Misty Brown
Richard Brown



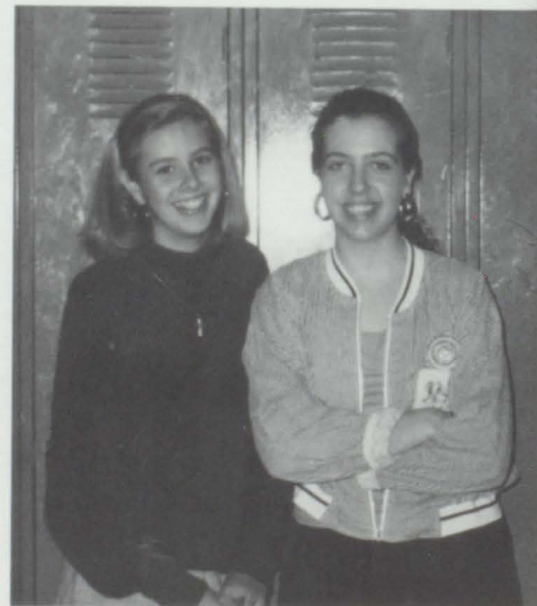
Jeff Bullington
Johan Bunch
Trent Burbach
Lorie Burch



Looking forward to the first day of high school is something incoming freshmen have always looked forward to. However, for the freshmen this year it meant another year of junior high. From a positive point of view, it meant being the oldest in the junior high again. Freshmen were allowed to join the clubs and participate in all sports just as they have in the past.

Several freshmen were asked what they thought of this change. Roy White said, "I don't like it cause I never get to walk around in the morning." Many agreed that being denied high school privileges was frustrating, but that otherwise it was okay. Erica Durham commented, "It really doesn't bother me." Bryan Reed is another that is not bothered by the change as long as he got his air conditioning. Crystal Kohler said, "We are in the junior high building another year and that's not good." Everyone has their own feelings about the situation, but the year went fast and things worked out fine.

Even freshmen have reasons to smile. Lisa Miller and Whitney Gilstrap demonstrate this perfectly, but are not telling why.





*Scott Burris
 Heather Butler
 Jason Butler
 Richie Butler
 Linda Campbell
 Valerie Carroll
 Clint Carter*

*Michelle Casey
 Kent Caudell
 Darren Chapman
 Charity Chesnut
 Tommy Clark
 Cindy Cobb
 Carrie Coffey*

*Paul Cole
 Chris Cook
 Cheri Cope
 Valerie Copeland
 Jill Cowan
 Amanda Crawmer
 Audra Creamer*

*Aaron Crum
 Sherry Donner
 Cory Daspit
 Brian Daugherty*

*Tearessa Davis
 Sandra Day
 Tommy Dean
 Christy Dell*

*Robert Devore
 Rebecca Dickey
 Steve Dickey
 Derek Dickinson*

*Josh Dilbeck
 Erin Dobbs
 Billie Duncan
 Erica Durham*

*Rusty Edens
 Damon Edwards
 Eric Ellis
 Tracy Emsburger*



*"I can do this combination blindfolded!" says
 Jessica Stipp.*

Class of '94

Jason Fields
Justin Fowler
Michael Francisco
Brandi Franks
Andrea Fry
Artie Garren



Jason Gibson
Roger Gilbert



Jerry Gilstrap
Whitney Gilstrap



Frank Gold
Josh Goodhue



Cheering for a victory are Richy Butler, Josh Lampo, Nathan Wicks, Mike Francisco, Seth Richardson, Jared Jay, Scott Burris, and Evan McBee.

Megan Granger
Heather Green
Lance Green
Ronda Griffin
Daniel Guthrie
Elsa Gutierrez
Allen Gwatney



Mandy Hadley
Dana Haffle
Walter Hagar
Amy Hall
Scotty Hall
Adam Hames
Chad Hamilton



Sheila Hammon
Jeremy Hanna
Rick Harlan
Brad Morris
Ryan Harryman
Gabe Hayes
Tim Henderson





Staci Henslee
Chris Hernandez



Chris Hieronymus
Don Hill



Ryan Hitt
Jim Holman



Jamie Hood
Faith Horne



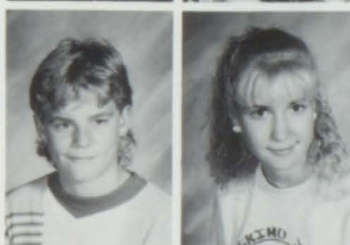
Cooking isn't just for girls and that's been proven time and again at NHS. Gabe Hays, Alex Kendrick and Stuart Skym show their ability to cook just as well as anyone else in the class. There's no doubt these three will do their share in the kitchen someday.



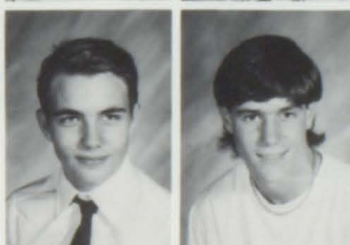
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Jared Jay
Christina Jeffries



Angela Jennings
Holly Jessen



Warren Johnston
Naomi Jordan



Robert Jordan
Travis Kahanek

It's a bit windy for a day on the square, but Builder's Club members Amy Wood, Jennifer Thompson, and Heather Green take their turn at the fundraising booth for the community 911 Project.

Dewayne Kelly
Wendy Kelly
Alex Kendrick



Jennifer Kern
Kirk Kernell
Dustin Kerr



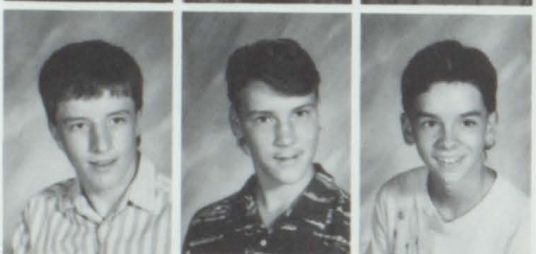
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Josh Lampo
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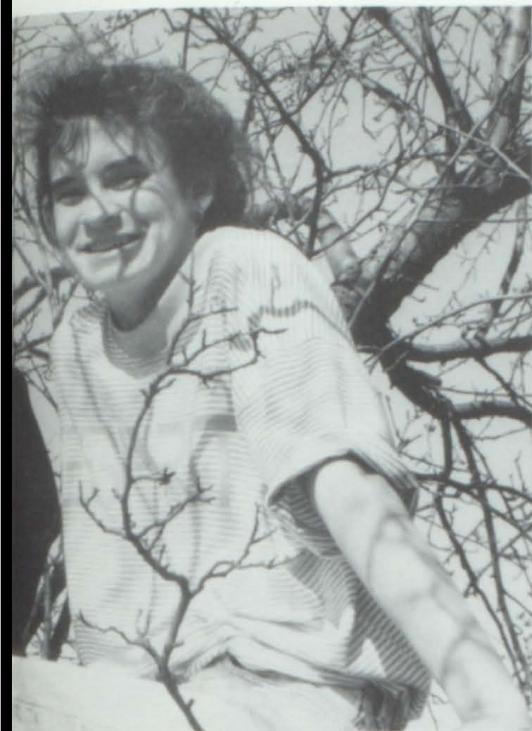
Mandy Lund
Mary Ann Lyerla
Ryan Mabrey
Robert Maile



Jeff Mayben
Evan McBee
Mya McClintock
Sandra McCoy



Justin Fowler and Valerie Copeland take advantage of the time before classes to catch up on an assignment. Is it that frustrating, Justin?



Freshmen class officers: Adam Becknell-Vice President, Josh Hughes-President, Becky Blackwell-Secretary.



*Ashley McCullough
Wendy McDonald*



*Jerome McIlvaine
Amy Miller*



*Lisa Miller
Steven Moore
Joy Moreno
Chastity Mugg*



*Missy Norris
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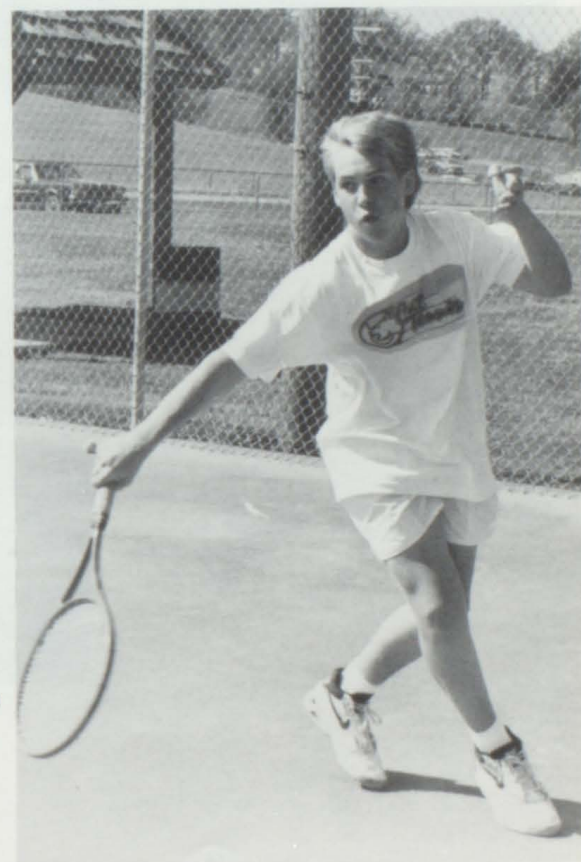


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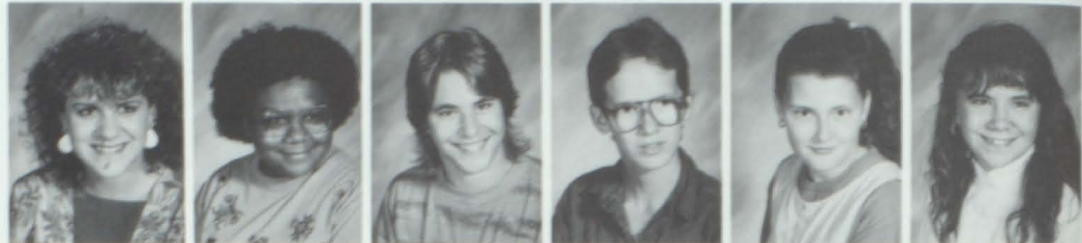
Cory Daspitt goes for game point with his slick backhand.



Brandi Richards
 Chad Richardson
 Seth Richardson
 Jared Richmond
 Dennis Riggs
 Lisa Roberts



Michelle Rodriguez
 Teresa Rogers
 Clay Sanger
 Paul Scoggin
 Anna Scott
 Ashlea Sexton



Dana Shafer
 Misty Shaw
 Shawn Sherlock



Johnny Sidney
 Aimee Silence
 Scott Simmons

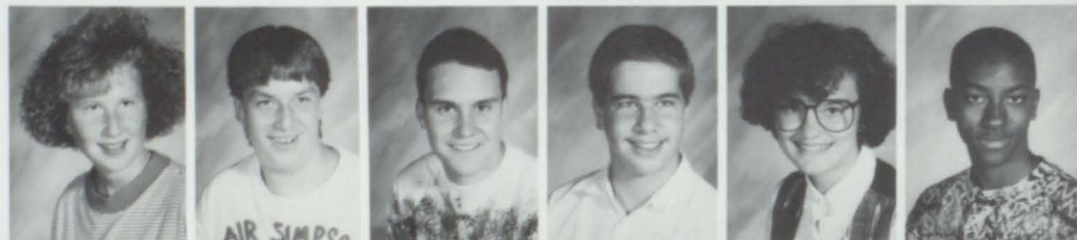


Chad Sinclair
 Stuart Skym
 Brandi Slemp



Here's a bunch of camera hounds!

Daphne Slinkard
 Chad Sloan
 Cliff Smith
 Grant Smith
 Ola Smith
 Joe Sparks



Tony Spina
 Robert Stevens
 Jessica Stipp
 Bridget Stockton
 Brandy Swain
 Ryan Sweet





1990-91 was the first year for the Student Council King/Queen and Prince/Princess dance. This year's royalty were: Prince Ronnie Quintana, Princess Lindsay Blankenship, King Dustin Lee, and Queen Naomi Jordan.



Christie Tessmer
Jennifer Thompson



Jason Thorne
Keith Tiner



Monica Tomlin
Joel Topham



Ricky Torres
Tony Tosh
Brian Treadwell
Bill Vandorn
Mike Velasco
Brad Ward
Tina Warrick



Rustin Weston
Roy White
Marvin Whittington
Nathan Wicks
Darin Widener
Galen Wilkinson



James Willett
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Bryan Williams
Shelly Williams
Misty Wilson
Rodney Wilson



Jennifer Winkler
Julie Winton
Cristal Wolfe
Amie Wood
James Woodall



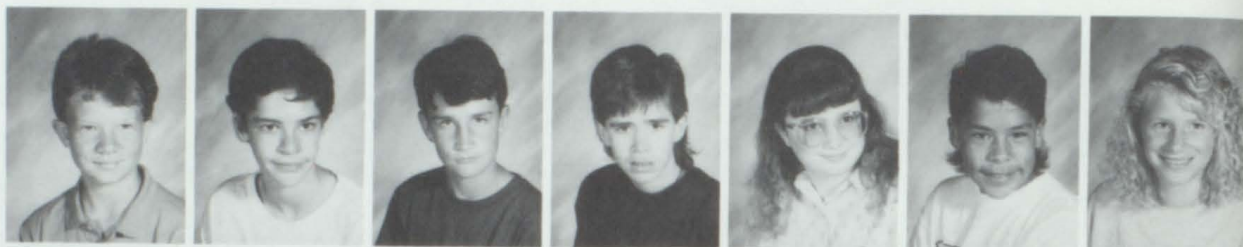
Misty Wren
Jennifer Wylie
Amy Wynn
Marty Yust

Eighth Graders

This year the status of being an eighth grader changed somewhat. Instead of being "the ruler of the junior high," they lost ground as the ninth graders moved back in for one more year. The eighth graders anxiously await the opportunity to step into the role of leadership in the junior high for the 1991-92 school year.

These students have many challenges facing them as they look toward their high school career and the decisions that will be required of them during those years. It is difficult for many students to be seriously thinking about college, a lifetime career, and in what direction they want their life to go. Students ask themselves: Do I want to have a prestigious career? Do I want to make a lot of money? Do I want to serve others? Where will my family fit into the picture? What should I be doing today to meet the goals I wish to attain? These are tough questions and everyone must find their own answers. There's much to think about 8th graders. Make your plans, give it your all, and by all means **EXPRESS YOURSELF!**

Nathan Abernathy
Timothy Adams
Doug Addy
Kyle Ainsworth
Samantha Alexander
Jose Alvarado
Judy Ball



Trey Barker
Christina Barrett
Dustin Bartley
Charles Bates
Crystal Beaman
Angela Beaver
Justin Beckett



James Bickford
Stephen Biggs
Michael Blackford
Lindsay Blankinchip
Neil Bledsoe
Nikki Blevens
Clark Bogle



Beth Bond
Julie Bond
Robert Bousquet
Susan Boyd
James Bridges
Tanja Brock
Charles Brockmeyer



Jennifer Brookman
Daniel Bruce
Shane Bryant
Amy Burnett
Danette Bush
Charles Byrd
Jessica Cales





Brian Campbell
Nathan Cargile
Ricky Carlson
Melanie Casey
Jennifer Cash
Julie Chambers
Sabrina Charlton



Hailey Chenoweth
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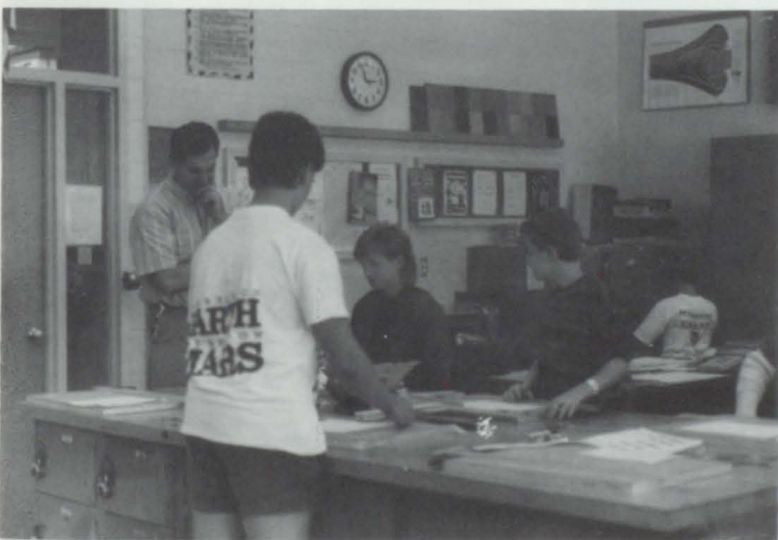
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Angela Courtney
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Sage Crane
Casey Crawford



Ryan Crawford
Sherry Danner
Jerah Darden
Jeremy David
Kara Davis
Ben Demoss
Angela Devore



Charles Ebbinghaus
Chad Edens
Christine Edwards
Shelly Eytcheson
Cory Farrell
Michael Ferraiz
Chris Fletcher



Shop can always be a fun and interesting class, as long as you don't worry about Mr. Hammett observing your work.



Science class is always a learning experience. Here, Cally Hickman and her lab partner work on a lab experiment together.



Although students come to school to learn, laughing and having fun is a big part of making school enjoyable. Far left, Jeremiah Jones, Justin Mosley, and Jeff Meredith laugh with Jocelyn Johnson. Left, Brandy Siler, Christina Harrell, and Shelly Scroggins talk and laugh with each other so that Home Ec. is both fun and work.

Jason Foster
Jennifer Frankey
Angel Franks
Mark Franks
Michelle Friend
Steven Friend
Kenny Gates



Christina Geddings
Sharman George
Doug Gillispie
Anna Goldsworthy
Amy Goodman
Billie Graham
Alan Gratton



Heather Gregory
Emily Griffith
James Grigsby
Heather Hair
Annette Hailey
Jeremy Hammonds
William Hardage



Bryan Harmon
Christina Harell
Heather Harris
Brian Heckart
Donald Henson
Joshua Henson
Randy Henson



Cally Hickman
David Hilgenberg
Jamie Holloway
Nathan Honeycutt
Lindell Hood
Kenny Hopkins
Mareike Hornick



Daphne Howard
Bruce Hudelson
Mindy Hughes
Chrystalyn Hunt
Rex Inman
Seth Jackson
Angela Jacobs





Richard James
Ronald James
Barbara Johnson
Cecil Johnson
Jocelyn Johnson
Karen Johnson
Lundy Johnson

Jerimian Jones
Paula Jones
Stephanie Jones
Jason Keeler
Jason Keena
Cynthia Kinnear
Melany Koeppen

Joe Lamp
Matthew Lampo
Joshua Landers
Michael Lauderdale
Robert Lauderdale
Chasty Lawson
Nena Lay

Dusty Ledford
Christy Lemaster
Amos Letts
Cassie Leuzinger
Brian Lewis
Eric Liu
Ben Long



Left, Shelly Neece seems not to be paying attention as Jennifer Brookman is trying to warn her about what she is really eating.



Top left: The eighth grade dance is always looked forward to. Here, students take time to relax. Bottom left: You really have to concentrate in Home Economics, here Melony Koppen (8) is attentive to Mrs. Schnakenberg as Stacie Martin (8) finds it hard to concentrate with something in her eye.

Feedback from teachers can be rewarding or frustrating. There seems to be a mixture of feelings in this class.

"Cooking is fun!, says Annette Hayley (8), Christina Barrett (8), and Jerah Darden (8).



Latisha Lyttle
Molly Macy
Lianna MaHaffy
Elizabeth Maile
Chris Martin
Stacie Martin
Kim Marty



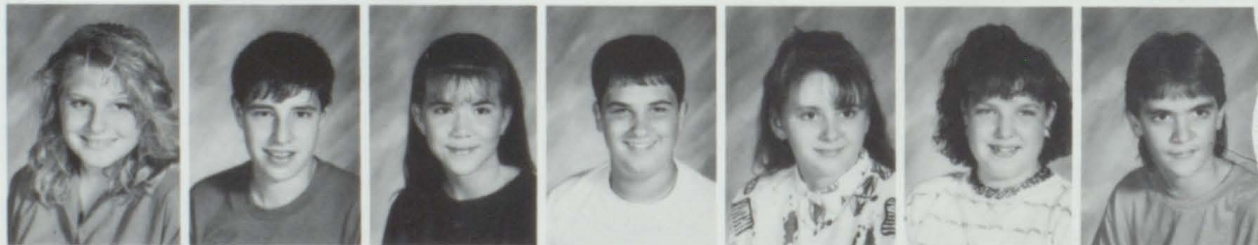
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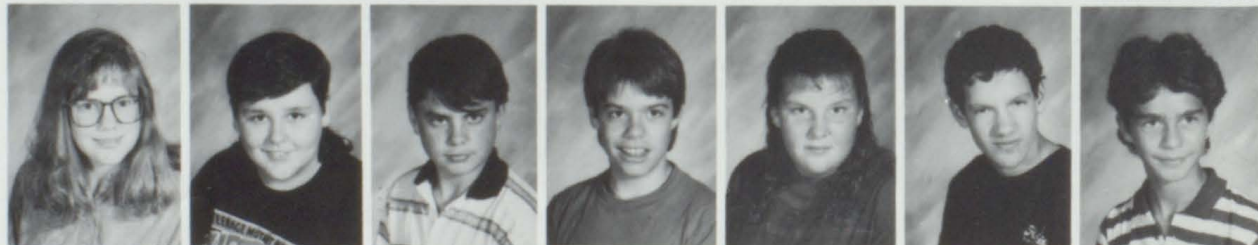
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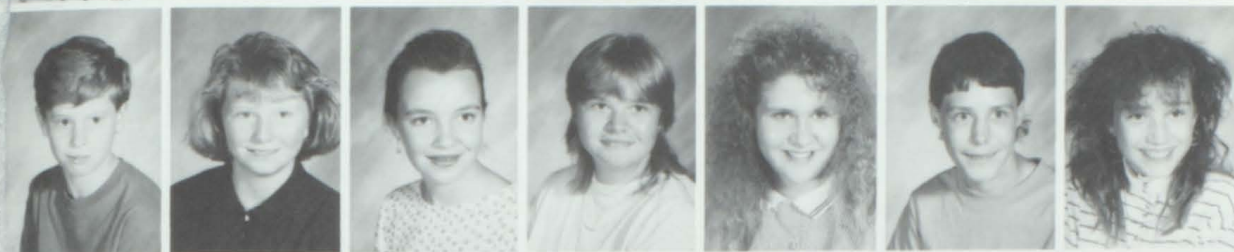


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Neal Murphy
Zach Nageotte
Shellie Neece
Jeremy Nicholson
Nick Nickerson





Alicia Nielsen
Tonya Nims
Michelle Nixon
Angela Noble
Hailey Norman
Amanda Olson
Matt Olson



Ransom Oswald
Jennifer Palmer
Jay Patterson
Trecia Paul
Amanda Pendley
Paul Percival
Misty Phelan



Jeremy Phillips
Paula Pierce
Tracie Poore
Julie Potter
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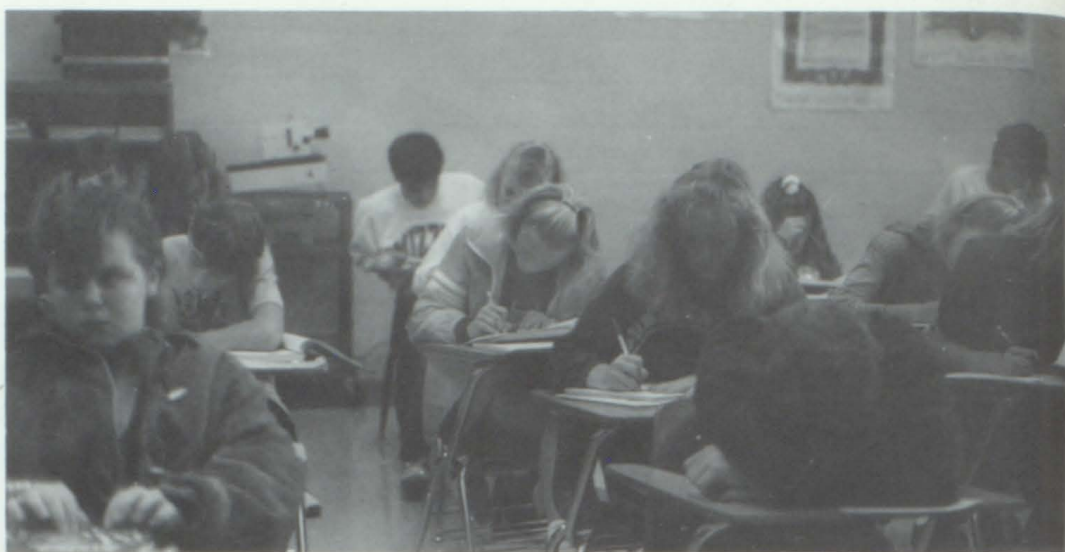


Jason Roberts
Kelley Roberts
Erin Rogers
Levy Rogers
Jennifer Ruark
Dennis Ruddick
Kerry Rugh



Josh Landers (8) and Steve Yarrington (8) are having fun demonstrating a science experiment.

In Mr. Blaes's class there's a variety of students. There are those that take notes, write notes, think about taking notes, and take naps. Hey, kid wake up!



Gene Russell
Amie Sammons
Kenny Sanders
Justin Scott
Shelly Scroggins
Amy Sellars
Steven Shaver



Misty Shaw
Brandy Siler
David Sims
Daphne Slinkard
Mandi Smiley
Amy Smith
David Smith



Kristie Smith
Phillip Snyder
Jason Sorensen
Brenda Sparks
Draper Sparlin
Mike Sprenger
Robert Sprengle



Samantha Stanton
Roy Stewart
Richie Stotts
Shane Stout
Katie Strohl
Michelle Strickland
Tina Talbert



Sandra Tallon
Jenn Taylor
Lindsay Terneus
Stacy Tierheimer
Larry Thompson
Jeremy Tordoff
Chris Trewen



Melody Troutman
Sheldon Turner
Goldie Vandorn
Jonathon Velasco
Shane Wade
April Walls
Amanda Walton





Sandy Walton
Jeremy Warren
Michael Wasson
John Weems



Toby Welch
Roxcee Wells
Deanna Weston
John Whiteside
Misty Wimpy
Travis Winchester
Seth Winton



Tony Wolfe
Kristi Woodrum
Jennifer Wright
Audra Yarrington
Pam Yarrington
Steven Yarrington
Mandi Yust



Home Economics classes offer great learning experiences. Students in Mrs. Schnakenberg's class learn the art of sewing.



Cheering on the home team is always exciting. These 8th graders think their team is number one.

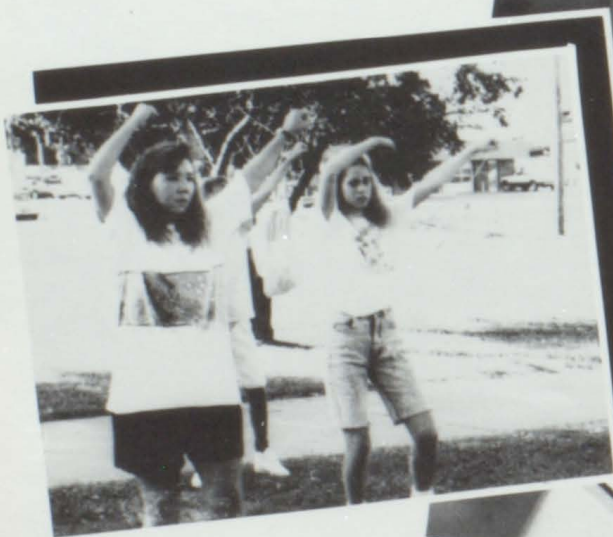


Pep assemblies give students a chance to show their support for team and school.

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VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Willard	34	Neosho	0
Monett	21	Neosho	17
Parkview	41	Neosho	28
Nevada	35	Neosho	13
Nixa	35	Neosho	28
Lebanon	28	Neosho	36
Webb City	20	Neosho	0
McDonald Co.	0	Neosho	38
Carthage	33	Neosho	36

Record 3-6
2nd in District
2nd in Conference



ALL AREA SELECTIONS

1st Team: DE Nelson Price, 3rd Team: OL Travis Walthall and Doug Dahnke, Honorable Mention: OL Thad Ramsey

ALL CONFERENCE FIRST TEAM

DE - Nelson Price, OL - Travis Walthall, Doug Dahnke and Thad Ramsey. RB - Randy House

ALL CONFERENCE SECOND TEAM

RB - Derek Woods, DB - Derek Woods, P/K - Aaron Fowler, DL - Daric Garren, TE - Kirk Harryman, LB - Randy House, LB - Trey Sandoval. Honorable Mention: RB - Nelson Price.

Nelson Price was selected to play in the Missouri State All-Star Game in July, 1991.



Getting pumped up for the big game are: seniors Nelson Price, Travis Walthall, Matt Jarrett, Thad Ramsey; and juniors Doug Dahnke and Shane McCullough.



Quarterback Willie Howard, 12, hands off the ball to Randy House, junior running back.



Back row: J. Biggs, 10; B. McGehee, 10; J. Reynolds, 10; T. Metscher, 10; G. Millhollon, 10; J. Davis, 11; T. Welch, 10; T. Ebbinghaus, 11; B. Keller, 11; C. Mitchell, 10; J. Gatwood, 10; J. Harvel, 10; K. Hickman, 10. Second row: C. Lay, 10; J. Reynolds, D. Kelley, 11; M. Lee, 11; R. Lewis, 11; C. Rhoades, 10; D. Dahnke, 11; R. Palmer, 12; D. Dunham, 11; B. Reiboldt, 11. Third row: J. Stockton, 11; S. McCollough, 11; T. Henson, 10; A. Fowler, 12; R. House, 11; D. Woods, 11; C. Butler, 11; T. Sandoval, 11; B. Smith, 11; C. Girdner, 12. First row: M. Jarrett, 12; W. Howard, 12; N. Bussey, 12; D. Garren, 12; N. Price, 12; T. Walthall, 12; K. Harryman, 12; T. Ramsey, 12; W. Sims, 12.



This season was a strengthening and building year for the freshmen team. Here a Neosho back receives a hand-off to try to gain a first down while blockers keep at bay the defensive line. The freshmen team learned from their experiences and finished with a 3-5 record.



Members of the freshmen team are as follows: E. McBee, S. Burris, C. Daspit, M. Francisco, A. Garren, J. Hanna, D. Hill, M. Horton, J. Hughes, J. Hutchison, T. Kahane, A. Kendricks, D. Kerr, S. Richardson, C. Richardson, D. Riggs, C. Sanger, C. Sinclair, S. Skym, C. Smith, J. Topham, N. Wicks, M. Yust, J. Lampo, J. Butler, T. Pendergraft, B. Leatherman.



The Neosho Varsity Cheerleaders were involved in a lot of school activities as well as activities on their own. They spent a week at OSU for cheerleading camp. The girls placed first for their routine, sideline cheer and mascot. The cheerleaders did very well and worked hard, however, camp was known as one of the most fun parts of cheerleading. Camp was full of water fights, good food, sunburns, and little sleep. The Varsity Cheerleaders practiced every day and cheered at all of the football games, J.V. and varsity basketball games, both boys and girls.



Varsity cheerleaders for the 1990-91 school year are, top: Wendy Byrum, Kim Marion, Missy Phelps. Middle: Leslie Stout, Chrystal Acton, Jenny Boylan, Amy Radar, Stephanie Wince, Nori Farber, Stacy Phillips. Bottom: Mindy Pace, Chyna Henson, and Krista McGruder.



Nori Farber (11) helps decorate the halls in support of an upcoming football game.



Pep assemblies are organized by the cheerleaders to help fire up the athletic teams and to build school spirit. Cheers, skits and great music by the band make them a fun break from regular classes.



THE OLD WEST

"Wildcats brand the Tigers" was the 1990 football Homecoming theme. Students wore boots, jerseys, fluorescent colors, school colors, and painted their faces to show school spirit during spirit week. Missy Phelps, 12, Terri Gillispie, 12, Todd Ebbinghaus, 11, Melanie Whiteside, 11, Melody Dalton, 12, and Scott Jenkins, 12, were the spirit winners. The junior class won the billboard competition, juniors and seniors tied for tag competition, and the seniors were crowned overall spirit winners for the week. The football team came through and beat the Nevada Tigers for the crowd to top off the week.



Willie, Amy Rader, 12, and Wendy Byrum, 12, put on their best for the crowning of the queen.



Above, queen Emily and her attendants: Lora Brodie, 12, Emily Blackwell, 12, Sherry Shoenberger, 11, Katie Marble, 10, Jenny Boylan 12. Daric Garren, 12, and Nelson Price, 12, drag off the losing Nevada Tiger (Julie Dickinson, 12) during the pep assembly.

WILDCATS PLAY TO WIN!!!

Homecoming was a fun and exciting time for NHS students. The Basketball Homecoming Theme was Video Games. Each class picked a favorite video game and used it as their class theme. Classes chose the following: Sophomores-"Duck Hunt", Juniors-"Pac Man", and Seniors: "Air Willie".

Spirit week involved many students as they participated in the various activities. Monday-"Monday Mourning" wear black. Andy Corkery (12) was the winner. Tuesday-"Cats Rock the Bird Bath" wear rock concert t-shirts. Laura Wheelan (12) was the winner. Wednesday-"Wildcats Play War Games" wear camouflage. Nick Bussey (12) and Darren Whitman (12) were the winners. Thursday-"Cats Break the Cards Hearts" wear red. Krista McGruder (11) was the winner. Friday-"Cats are the Cards Worst Nightmare" wear pajamas. John Parks (11) was the winner. The overall winner of Spirit Week was Stephanie Martin (12). Everyday was great especially Friday when students didn't even have to get dressed for school!

The Wildcats played to win, but in the end were defeated by the Webb City Cardinals in the Homecoming game.



Julie Dickinson (12) was crowned the 1991 Basketball Homecoming Queen. Jenny Stiger (12), Mindy Marble (11), Jeanne Amce (10), and DeeDee Houghton (12) were Julie's court.

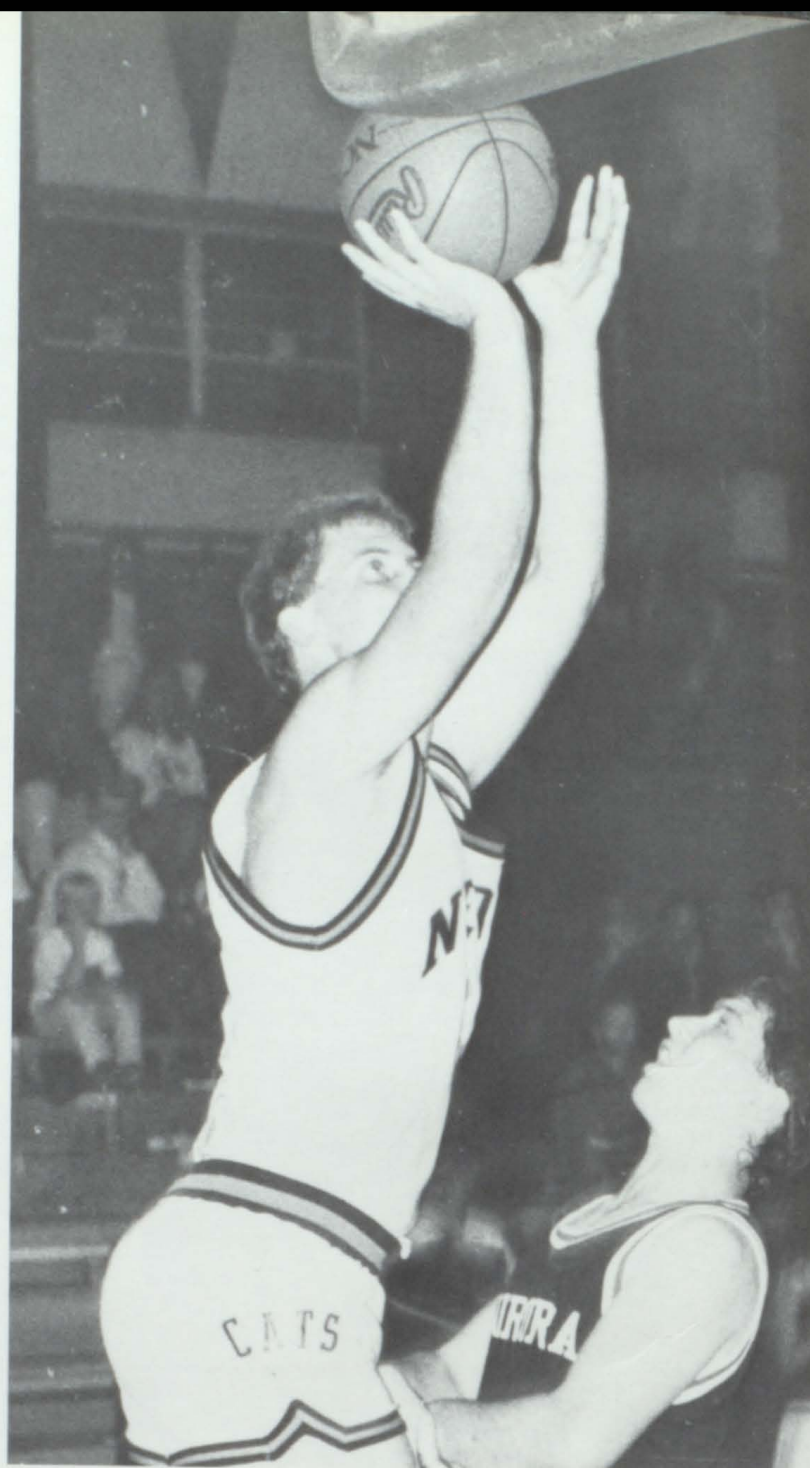
Laura Wheelan (12) shows there's more than just one way to wear a t-shirt.



Left: Some people can be so lazy, they don't even get dressed for school! Laurie Thomas (12), Rachel Stephens (12), Anna McCool (12) and DeeDee Houghton (12) show off their fancy pajamas and house shoes. Above: Todd Ebbinghaus (11) and John Parks (11) decide to have a coffee break before school.



Aurora	H	W
McDonald Co.	H	W
Nevada	T	L
Lamar	T	W
Central	T	L
Pittsburgh	T	L
Webb City	T	L
Kickapoo	H	L
Rogers, AR	T	L
McDonald Co.	T	L
Carthage	T	W
Nevada	H	L
Joplin	H	W
Ozark	H	W
Hillcrest	T	L
Webb City	H	L
Carthage	H	W
Monett	H	W



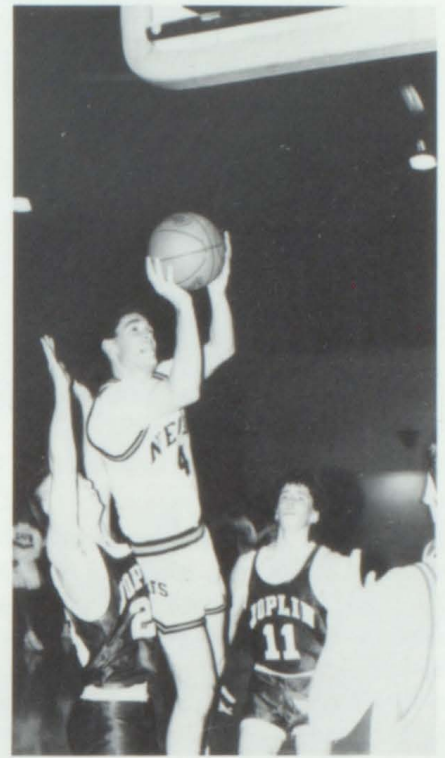
Special recognition was given to the following for their accomplishments: Assist leader-Tramaine Clark, Rebound Leader- Greg Brown, Field Goal %-Nelson Price, Free Throw %- Doug Dahnke, Best Defensive-Kirk Harryman, Hustle Award-Nick Bussey, MVP-Tramaine Clark, Gary Sims Sportsmanship Award-Aaron Fowler, All conference 2nd team: Tramaine Clark and Aaron Fowler, 1st team: Greg Brown.

Highlights for the season: 1st Place in the Neosho Holiday Tournament, 3rd Place in the Carthage Tournament, and 2nd Place in District Tournament.



Top: Doug Dahnke's (11) opponent looks on as he puts up 2 pts. for the Wildcats. Left: They're No. 1 in the Neosho Holiday Tourney and proud of it!

GET FIRED UP ...



Above left: Tramaine Clark (12) goes up for a lay up only to discover that the ball is underneath him. Middle: Kirk Harryman (12) and Aaron Fowler (12) watch as Greg Brown (11) fights for the rebound against the rival Nevada Tigers. Right: Scott Lineberry (11) drives up over the Joplin Eagles for a better chance at 2 points.

Team members back: Coach Denny Chenoweth, Nelson Price (12), Greg Brown (11), Kirk Harryman (12), Torrius Fisher (10), Aaron Fowler (12), Coach Jim Blaes. Middle: Doug Dahnke (11), Derek Woods (11), Scott Lineberry (11), Darren Whitman (12), Mark Johnson (11). Front: Willie Howard (12), Matt Jarrett (12), Nick Bussey (12), Chad Young (11), Tramaine Clark (12).



Everyone wants in on a rebound! As Beth Schnackenberg, 11, comes down with the rebound, seniors Terri Gillispie and Emily Blackwell are there for support. Keeping priorities in mind, Barb Webster, 12, covers a player with an open shot.



The Neosho Lady Wildcat Basketball team had an up and down season this year, as Coach Bob Gillispie led the girls to a 9-14 mark. At the conclusion of the season, Coach Gillispie announced his desire to be released from his coaching contract to spend more time with his family.

Senior leadership kept the Lady Cats up this year. At the awards banquet for winter sports, Terri Gillispie was voted the MVP and Emily Blackwell was commended for her sportsmanship. Both girls and Barb Webster were four year lettermen.

Playing on the team was tough work. Many nights the girls had to endure long, challenging workouts, stay late, and come back to school for late practice. Although schoolwork and other extra-curricular activities were juggled around practice, it was worthwhile. "Basketball is not just good exercise. It keeps you mentally and physically prepared for any challenge." commented Terri Gillispie, 12.



Girls Varsity Basketball: back, Coach Christian, L. Reynolds, 9; K. Andrews, 11; B. Schnackenberg, 11; B. Webster, 11; T. Gillispie, 12; A. McBee, 11; J. Prewitt, 11; Coach Gillispie. middle: D. Cohu, 11; N. Wicks, 11; K. Brodie, 11; J. Bruce, 11. front: E. Blackwell, 12; J. Dickinson, 12.





Converting fast breaks into points is an important part of winning basketball games. Left, as Emily Blackwell, 12, attempts her shot, Barb Webster, 12, seems to have doubts about Emily shooting with her eyes closed. Below, Karen Brodie, 11, lets the opposing team player know who is in control of the ball.



Action is very intense for inside players, which makes them use to bumps and bruises. Center Terri Gillispie, 12, is not intimidated as she looks beyond defending players and towards the basket.

NEOSHO

38	Nevada
65	Seneca
58	Diamond
66	Central
44	McDonald Co.
41	Joplin
55	Nevada
41	Carl Junction
56	McDonald Co.
43	Wheaton
46	Nevada
33	Webb City
50	Carthage
29	Russellville
40	Monett
47	Pittsburg, Ks.
43	McDonald Co.
50	Central
28	Aurora
50	Nevada
28	Joplin
41	Webb City
60	Carthage

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JV BASKETBALL

OPPONENT
AURORA
McDONALD CO.
NEVADA
LAMAR
CENTRAL
KICKAPOO
ROGERS, AR
McDONALD CO.
CARTHAGE

W/L	NEVADA	
W	WEBB CITY	W
W	JOPLIN	W
W	PITTSBURG, KS.	L
W	OZARK	W
L	HILLCREST	L
L	WEBB CITY	W
L	CARTHAGE	W
L	MONETT	W
W		



Chad Young and Mark Johnson trap the opponent to force a turnover.

The Neosho 1990-1991 junior varsity basketball team did very well last season. Coach Blaes and Coach Chenoweth worked hard throughout the season. Hopefully 1992's season will be as pleasant and exciting as last year's for the Neosho High School's junior varsity basketball team. "They are an exciting group and we can expect good things in the future", Coach Blaes said, "They played a great year and showed an incredible amount of improvement." They ended the season having 11 wins and 7 losses, with a conference record of 7-1.



Team members: Coach Blaes, Travis Welch, Dave Nichols, Torrius Fisher, Matt Lee, Mark Johnson, and Coach Chenoweth. Middle: Chris Endicott, Nacona Jordan, Chad Young, Roger Newell, Justin Riley, Travis McGruder, Wayne Sandoval, Kenny Hickman, and Gene Putman.



Travis McGruder goes for a hoop!

IT TAKES A TEAM!

Neosho vs.
Central
Mac County
Joplin
Nevada
Carl Junction
Webb City
Carthage
Monett

W Pittsburg
L Mac County
L Central
L Aurora
W Nevada
L Joplin
W Webb City
W Carthage

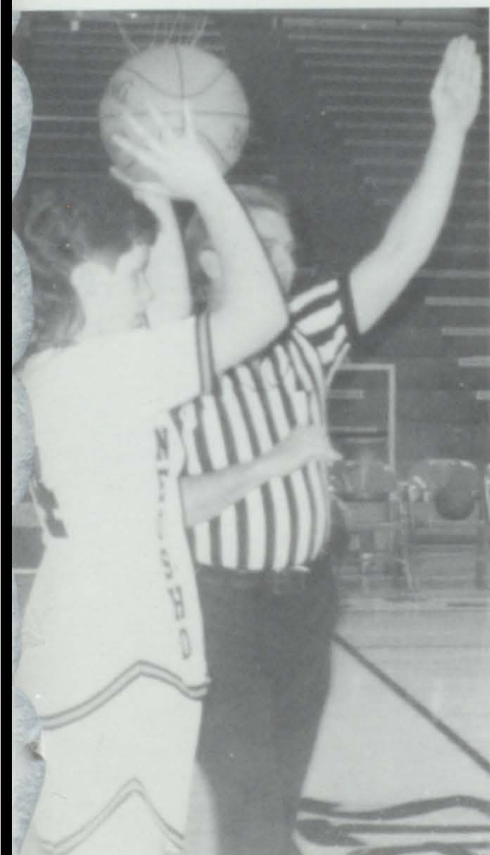
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athletics provides students with the opportunity to develop and express their athletic abilities. The Girls' Junior Varsity basketball team finished their season with a 9-8 record. The years spent playing on this level helps to prepare the players for varsity play. This is the time when fundamentals are stressed and the theory of basketball is taught. It is an important time for players as they demonstrate in practice and in games the kind of player they are and the kind of player they want to be eventually.



Julie Prewitt, Holly Hammett and Amber McBee demonstrate team work as they score for NHS.



Getting ready to start the next play by inbound the ball, Julie Prewitt (11) concentrates on finding someone open.



Top row: Coach Christian, Lena Reynolds (9), Heather Casey (10), Gretchen Jobe (10), Susan Brown (10), Mandy Wilfong (10), Kendra Andrews (11), and Coach Gillispie. Middle row: Jeanne Arnice (10), Holly Hammett (10), and Stacy Jackson (10). Bottom row: Mika Stephens (10) and Karen Morris (10).

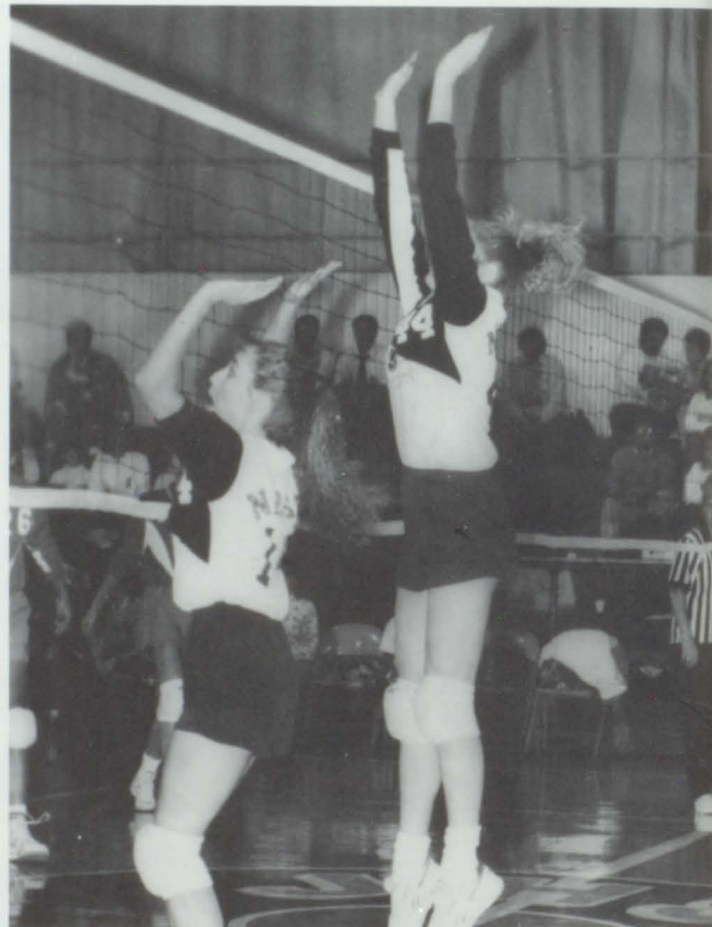
LADY CATS SHINE



Leadership was strong among the Lady Cat volleyball team with three all conference selections. Top, first team selections Kim Cleaver, 12, and Nichole Wicks, 11. Bottom is second team selection Terri Gillispie, 12. All three girls were varsity starters and lettermen.



Reaching high to save game point is Stephanie Jones (11) and Beth Schnackenberg (11).



Working together is a very important part of every sport, Karen Brodie (11) and Beth Schnackenberg (11) team up for a great play.



Top row: Coach Sue Buttrum, K. Cleaver, J. Nelson, S. Jones, B. Schnackenberg, T. Gillispie, K. Brodie, N. Wicks, and Coach Marsha Harlan. Middle row: J. Marvin, B. Owens, S. Hansen, G. Jobe, J. Arnce, M. Wilfong, M. Moon, A. Lasiter, and A. Virgin. Front row: V. Copeland, J. Hood, E. Dobbs, M. Brown, C. Janss, A. Crawmer, J. Thompson and H. Jessen.



"Air" Beth Schnackenberg (11) stretches for the block.



Kim Cleaver (12) received the award for most "kills".

VARSITY SCHEDULE

Wheaton - W
 Carl Junction - W
 Carthage - W
 East Newton - W
 Webb City - L
 Nevada - W
 Diamond - L
 McDonald Co. - L
 Record 11-5

Webb City - L
 Sarcoxie - W
 Purdy - W
 Carthage - W
 Riverton - W
 Joplin - W
 Nevada - W
 McDonald Co. - L

The Lady Wildcats had an exciting year in volleyball. Senior team members showed great leadership ability and the juniors show promise for the 1991 season. Many awards were presented at the end of the season to recognize outstanding achievement. Kim Cleaver and Terri Gillispie were recognized as Most Valuable Players. All conference selections included Nichole Wicks and Kim Cleaver first team and Terri Gillispie second team. The Lady Wildcats ended their season with a record of 11-5.

JV VOLLEYBALL



Mika Stephens, 10, goes up for the block.

The 1990 JV Volleyball team ended the season with a record of 8-8. The team worked hard and put in many hours of practice. Their efforts will be rewarded when they get the opportunity to play on the varsity team. This year's team members were: Barbie Owens (11), Mika Stephens (10), Misty Moon (10), Jeanne Amce (10), Amber Lasiter (10), Mandy Wilfong (10), Sarah Hansen (10), and Gretchen Jobe (10).



J.V. players discuss game strategy, working on a plan to defeat the opponent.



Up for the block!



#43, Sarah Hansen (10), dives for the ball to save the point. Way to go, Sarah!

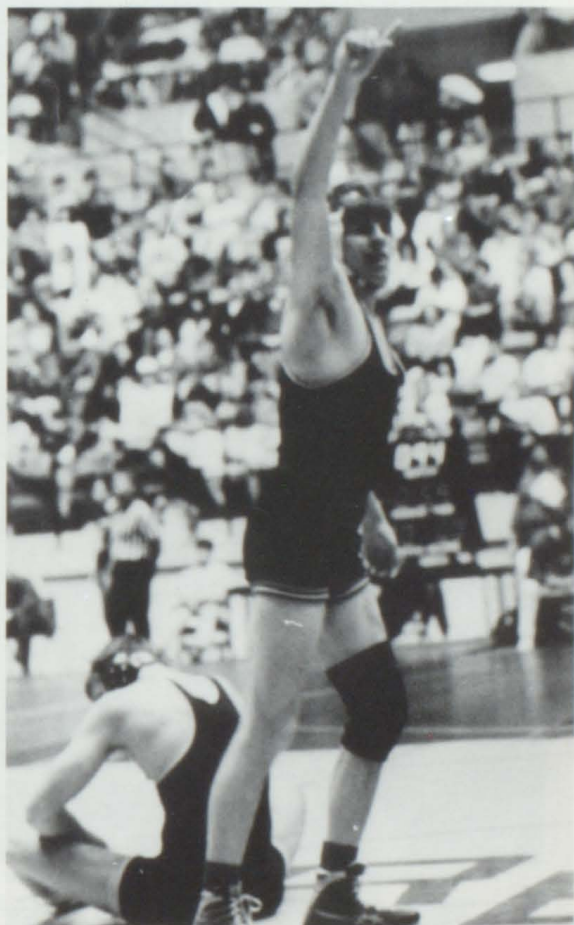


Sophomore Mandy Wilfong serves the ball during the J.V. game for another winning serve.

WILDCATS PIN'EM

The Wildcat Wrestlers ended their season on a positive note. Jed Willets (12), Jack Skym (12), Russell Lewis (11), and Ryan Palmer (11) represented Neosho at the state tournament in Columbia. Qualifying for the state tournament is quite an accomplishment and is a rewarding experience for the athlete. Jed Willets placed 3rd in the 160 lbs. class and Ryan Palmer placed 6th in the 171 lbs. class.

Like other sports, wrestling requires dedication and self-sacrifice to be the best. A competitor's true dedication is displayed by his actions. The wrestlers ended their season with a 2-6-1 record. Several athletes were recognized for outstanding achievements: Jed Willets-MVP, Ryan Palmer-Hardest worker, Keith Tiner-Underdog, and Rome Roark-Most Improved.



Top: Wiley Sims shows how strenuous wrestling can be. Above: The thrill of victory, Jed Willets.



Junior Matt Sappington working with great concentration to get a pin.



Team members, seniors: B. Hopper, J. Neuenswander, W. Sims, J. Skym, T. Smith, J. Willets, B. Testerman. Juniors: R. Lewis, R. McCracken, R. Palmer, B. Reibolt, M. Sappington, R. Tracy. Sophomores: J. Barnett, M. Boyer, M. Cashel, D. Evans, J. Flynn, D. Lay, T. Metscher, G. Millhollon, C. Mitchell, C. Mitchell, R. Roark, C. Stephens, T. Stephenson. Freshmen: E. Boyer, S. Burris, C. Hamilton, J. Hanna, R. Harlan, J. Hutchins, H. Garren, A. Kendrick, D. Kerr, D. Prichart, C. Sinclair, K. Tiner, and W. VanDom.



Soccer is a very demanding sport that takes stamina and the ability to think quickly. A soccer player runs nonstop for 90 minutes. There are no timeouts except for ones taken by the official or for injuries. Unlike its counterpart, football, soccer doesn't have an offensive and a defensive squad and players cannot be substituted for every play. Players must be versatile and have the ability to play offense and switch to defense in a split second. A soccer player must be durable and must be in excellent shape. Soccer is a team effort but it takes individual skills and plays. Jason Lankford, senior, led the team with nine goals and senior Bobby Warden was MVP for the season.



Soccer 1990			
	W	L	T
Varsity	7	12	1
J.V.	4	7	0



Top, soccer is a team sport as displayed by a host of Neosho players, making sure the ball doesn't go into the net. Left, junior forward Don Hafle slide tackles a Belton player to keep the ball. Right, Fullback Chad Granger (12) engages in a struggle for the ball with two Kickapoo players while a third Kickapoo player and Brian Schibi (11) watch.



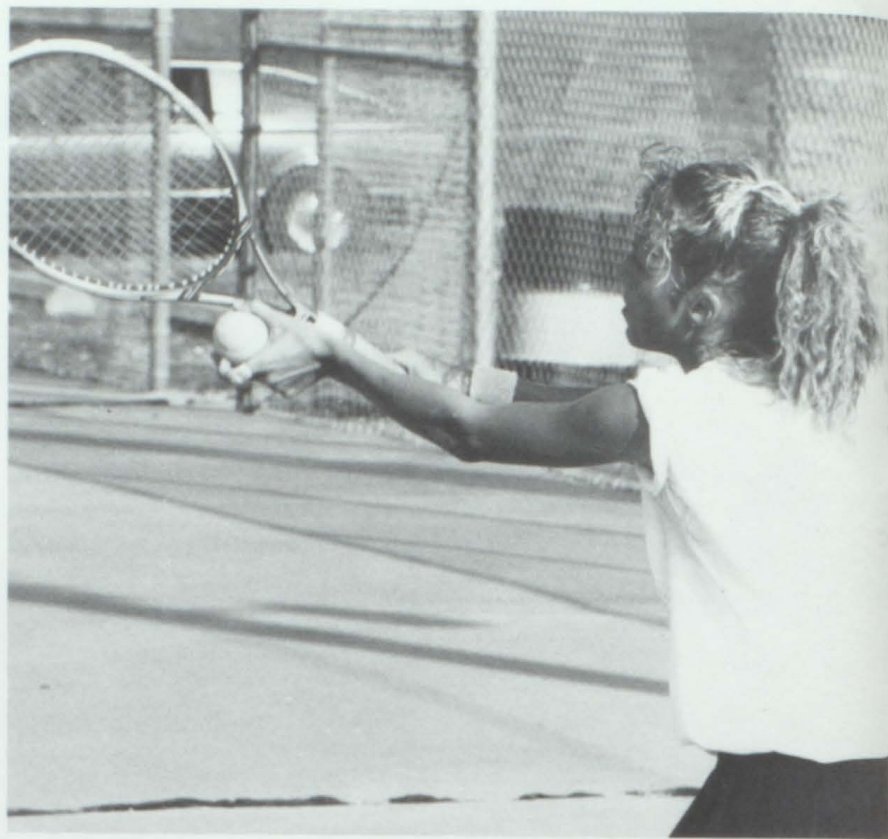
Above, Junior Midfielder Kevin Larson, 11, takes the ball from a Kickapoo player while Senior Danny Musgrove, 12, and Junior Brian Schibi, 11, come to help. Right, Senior Jason Lankford boots the ball past two Belton players.



Varsity soccer team for 1990-91: Back row, T. Hobbs, 12; M. Kellerer, 12; J. Lankford, 12; J. Oxford, 12; K. Bartley, 12; B. Warden, 12; C. Granger, 12; D. Musgrove, 12. Middle row, B. Allen, 10; C. Crane, 10; T. Hughes, 11; K. Larson, 11; D. Haffle, 11; T. Horne, 10; K. Turpen, 11; T. Humphrey, 10; A. Koeppen, 9. Front row, M. Turpen, 10; B. Schibi, 11; D. Boman, 11.



The 1990-91 Junior Varsity Soccer Team: back row, J. Thorne, 9; R. Housh, 10; J. Barnett, 10; S. Ramsey, 10; J. Crawford, 11; P. Miller, 11; M. Whiteside, 11. Front row, R. Sweet, 10; C. Morrow, 10; A. Becknell, 9; N. Bressie, 9; D. Widener, 9; M. Ferguson, 10.

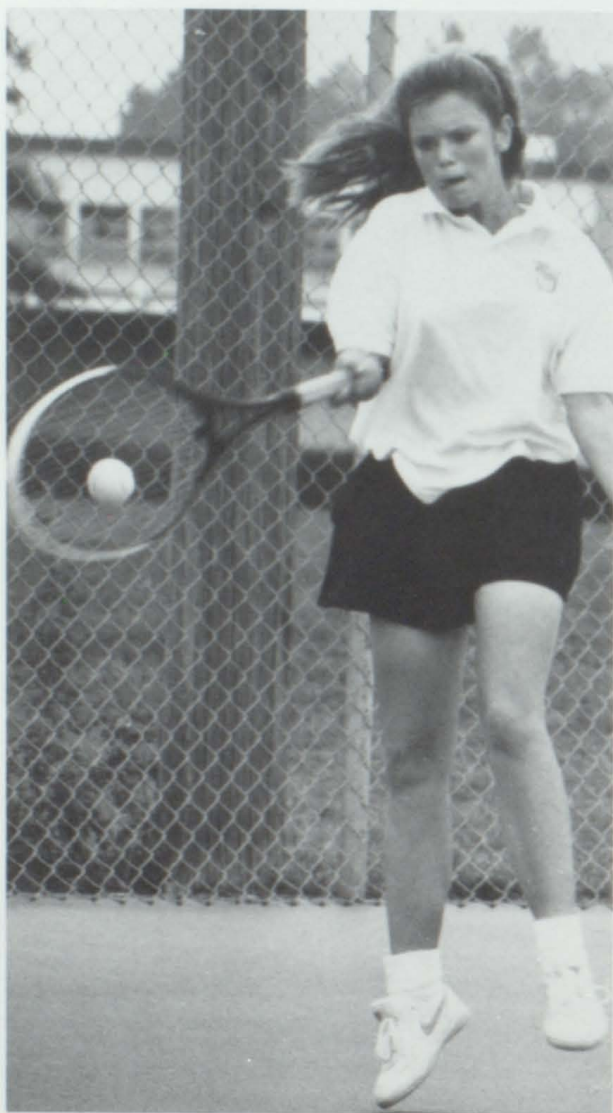


Full concentration is required as Emily Blackwell (12) makes the first serve of the match.

It takes a lot of time and effort to be an effective competitor. The Lady Cats tennis team proved that those long, hot practices and all that effort really paid off by ending their season with an 11-2 record. The team took the conference championship and placed second in districts with several individuals placing at districts as well.

Fun and friendship is also a part of being on a team. The girls enjoyed the time spent together on road trips and remember some of the funny and embarrassing moments of the year. Holly Hammett (10), and Susan Brown (10) explain, "At an important conference match we were playing doubles and I (Holly) hit Susan in the face with the ball. We got so flustered we lost the match." Uniforms are usually of very little concern during a big match but in one instance it did become a bit of a problem. Julie Dickinson (12) explains, "When Angela and I were playing doubles on the first court, Angela was fixing my skirt and it fell to my knees." Life's most embarrassing moments!

For several team members, this season ended their high school tennis career, but for others it is only the beginning and we can look forward to watching them compete on the court.



An expression of determination shown here by tennis player Karen Morris (10).



SCOREBOARD

Mt. Vernon	9-0	W
Nevada	5-4	W
Lamar	6-3	W
Webb City	9-0	W
Lamar	7-2	W
Carthage	6-3	W
Joplin	4-5	L
Nevada	5-4	W
Monett	9-0	W
Kickapoo	3-6	L
Parkview	9-0	W
Webb City	9-0	W
Joplin	7-2	W



Back row: Angela Kimbrough (12), Amie Wood (10), Jessica Stipp (9), Becky Blackwell (9), Ginger McGarrah (12), Holly Hammett (10), Susan Brown (10), Christy Skelton (10), Coach Graham. Front row: Emily Blackwell (12), Stacy Jackson (10), Karen Morris (10), Julie Dickinson (12), Valerie Bertch (10), and Kari Charter (10).

Individual Awards

Karen Morris-3rd place district singles, Emily Blackwell-4th place district singles, Angela Kimbrough and Julie Dickinson-5th place district doubles, Susan Brown and Holly Hammett-7th place district doubles.

Top left: Julie Dickinson (12) takes a break between matches with a cool drink. Hey, Julie! Left: Susan Brown (10) slams the ball over the net for an easy score against Webb City.



Serving It Up



It takes many hours of practice to be a good tennis player. Jeremy Weis spends time after school to work on every aspect of the game. This extra effort makes a difference in his ability to make quick decisions on the court.



Clowning around is part of the game, too. Long Dang has experience in this area of tennis.

The Varsity and Junior Varsity Tennis teams had a very competitive season. They finished with a final record of 8-5. The match against Mt. Vernon is one that will stand out in every team members mind because of all the hard work put forth that lead to a tremendous victory. The final score of the match against Mt. Vernon was 9-0. The team was Co-conference champions after placing 5th in district play. Both teams had a season to be proud of.



Top: Coach Graham, J. Norman, L. Dang, R. Chadwick, A. Hansen, N. Hays, J. Weis, J. Gatwood, and Coach Graham. Front: B. Daugherty, A. Crum, C. Daspit, M. Kissel, J. Branham, M. Turpen, and K. Ainesworth.



Concentration is one of Long Dang's greatest characteristics. He can really get the ball where he wants it to go.



As the ball approaches, James Medlock (10) waits to use his powerful backhand. This is one of the hardest swings to perfect.



Richard Shadwick (11) uses all of his strength to serve the winning point of his match. Richard is a key player for Neosho.



Returning the ball can sometimes be a challenge, however Mark Turpen (10) has it all under control.



It was an exciting year for Coach Harry Lineberry and the track team. There were many old school records broken and new ones set. As a team, the girls won 172 medals and first place in the Neosho, Branson and East Newton Relays. The boys won 241 medals, first place at the East Newton Relays and second place at the Neosho Relays. During the previous season, the NHS team won 392 medals and this year they brought home 413 medals. It will be quite a challenge for the 91-92 team to keep the pace. The senior girls have now won three Conference Championships in their four years in high school. Hopefully, we will see more of their talents at the college level.

It is quite a tradition that has been developing here at NHS with the track program. There are many talented athletes moving up to take the places left by the seniors. It takes many students and volunteers to make this program work. Special thanks to parents, coaches, and community members for their many hours of help.

Individual recognition: Girls Most Field Event Points Award - Susan Brown - 113 pts., Boys Most Field Event Points Award - Tramaine Clark - 109 pts., Girls Most Points Award - Susan Brown - 133.25 pts., Boys Most Points Award - Willie Howard - 229.50 pts., Girls Team Captain Award - Emily Blackwell, Boys Team Captain Award - Willie Howard, Derek Woods - Sectional Champ in the Triple Jump 44'11" and won a 7th place medal for this event at the state track meet. The following tied or broke school records: Willie Howard in 200 at 22.4 and 400 dash at 51.21, Emily Blackwell in 800 run at 2:22.69, Susan Brown in long jump at 16'4.5". Boys Rookie of the Year went to Travis Welch with 20 medals and 36.75 pts. Girls Rookie of the Year went to Misty Brown with 12 medals and 51 pts. Willie Howard was District Champion in the 200 meter dash at 22.13, Krista McGruder broke her own school record in the long jump at the District Track Meet by jumping 16'11", and Emily Blackwell was District Champion in the 800 run at 2:20.32. The boys 400 Relay team broke the school record when they ran 43.81, runners included Tramaine Clark, Travis Welch, Derek Woods, and Willie Howard. Above: Derek Woods flies to the state track meet with his great jumping abilities.

Susan Brown had a great year, best of luck in 1992!



Boys Team members: Seniors - Willie Howard, Tramaine Clark, Jack Skym, Thomas Ting, Brian Evans, and Stony Franklin. Juniors - Mark Johnson, Trey Sandoval, David Moore, Matt Lee, Randy House, Derek Woods, Nathan Allen, and Scott Lineberry. Sophomores - Abe Banks, Shane Banks, Wayne Sandoval, Jamie Franklin, Travis Welch, Nacona Jordan, Jeremy Neal, and Adrian Hopper. Freshmen - Jason Thorne, Marty Yust, Robert Jordan, Jim Holman, Joe Sparks, Jason Begey, Brandon Leathers, Joel Topham, David Pritchard, Ryan Sweet and Brad Harris. Coaches: Harry Lineberry, Jim Blaes, Dave Bassore.



Girls Track Team members: Seniors - Terri Gillispie, Emily Blackwell, Whitney Wright, Brandie Hall and Kim Cleaver. Juniors - Amber McBee and Krista McGruder. Sophomores - Jana Green, Karen Morris, Staci Jackson, Susan Brown, Crystal Stephens, and Mary Babbitt. Freshmen - Jamie Phelps, Misty Brown, Brandi Richards, Missy Pincombe and Becky Blackwell. Coaches: Harry Lineberry, Gary Dickinson, and Jerry Christian.



Above left: Mark Johnson leaps over the high hurdles in an attempt to be first to the finish line! Above: You can beat her Terri, go for it! Left: David Moore still running hard as he prepares to pass the baton to the next runner.



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Missouri Southern Inv
Springfield Inv. J. V.
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8th



Dustin Lee (10) is concentrating hard while warming up for the upcoming race.



Barb Webster (12) seems to have done well in her race as she cools down with a smile.

Cross Country sophomores Jana Green and Abe Banks qualified individually at the sectional cross country meet in Rolla. Scott Jenkins (12) was the number one runner for the cross country team and was for several years, helping build and strengthen the program at NHS. Although the seniors will be missed next year, there will be a variety of talent to choose from which will help pick up where the seniors left off. The underclassmen will continue to progress in this growing sport.

Below, Abe and Shane Banks (10) will be co-captains for the 1991-92 cross country team. Above, Scott Jenkins (12) receives the Kim Mailles Award at the awards banquet.



Back: Shane Banks, Stony Franklin, Scott Jenkins, Abe Banks, Travis McGruder, Coach Harry Lineberry. Front: Adrian Hopper, Nathan Allen, Barb Webster, David Moore, Jana Green, Dustin Lee, Steve Long. Not Pictured: Jeff Werneke, Steve Miller.

GOLF TEAM PUTTS AROUND

The 1991 season was a challenge for Neosho High Golfers. The Varsity finished with 6 wins and 7 losses while the J.V. was 9 and 4. They finished fourth in their conference. With only one senior on the whole team, the golf team was very young and inexperienced. Looking ahead to the 1992 season, the future looks bright. With all of their varsity returning the team will have a little more experience and should have a fine season.



Top row: Joey Adams, Matt Sappington, Craig Butler, Scott Jenkins, Chris Endicott, Justin Ernest, Bob Briggs, and Coach Bussey. Bottom row: Adam Becknell, Josh Hughes, Stewart Munson, Dustin Lee, and Josh Lamp.



Stewart Munson perfects his swing by taking a practice putt.



Concentration is a key to golf, here Matt Sappington lines up for a putt.



Most spectators consider golf a boring sport, Josh Hughes tries to add a little fun to it.

BATTER UP!



This year's Wildcat Baseball team took it on the chin this season, but the team did learn a few things and they hope to use those things to help them during next year's season.

At the end of the season the members of the baseball team received awards. These were based on team voting and stats taken during the year. Junior, Donald Bowman, received the Pitching Performance Award. The Consistence Award also went to a junior, Kent Hames. The rest of the awards were given out to seniors. Matt Jarrett received the Hustle Award and Kirk Harryman received the Offense Award. The Defense Award was awarded to Aaron Fowler.

The team, even though they did not win all of their games, had an enjoyable year. Coach Schibi commented that "Inexperience was the key factor in our season this year, but our inexperience this year should convert to experience next year and a better season record wise."

Kirk Harryman shows his powerful hitting ability as he drives a runner in. Right: Sophomore, Kenny Hickman rushes back to first base before the pitcher picks him off. Players must make sure their lead off is big enough to make a possible steal, but not so big that they can't get back safely should the play demand. Being run down between bases can be a challenge and even fun, but most players would rather avoid the possibility of being thrown out. Just ask Matt Jarrett about this type of experience.



Team members: Coach Ray Godfrey, R. Harryman, K. Harryman, A. Fowler, B. Smith, D. Bowman, B. Schibi, B. Ward, D. Musgrove, T. Ebbinghouse, Coach Joe Schibi, Coach Joe Fowler, J. Keeler, J. Jones, K. Hames, M. Jarrett, M. Lauderdale, C. Smith, J. Hannah, A. Koeppen, J. Bond, R. Rice, T. Henson.



While entering the dugout the Wildcats meet with Coach Joe Fowler for a pep talk and advice on how they can improve their game.

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6	TULSA WILL ROGERS	15
3	FAYETTEVILLE, AR	10
1	PITTSBURG, KS	3
6	NEVADA	11
14	SPRINGDALE, AR	7
11	MCDONALD COUNTY	4
1	WEBB CITY	11
5	GLENDALE	12
0	CARTHAGE	13
2	COFFEYVILLE, KS	5
2	CLAREMORE, OK	11
0	JOPLIN	10
2	SHAWNEE, OK	10
5	OKC-MCGUINNESS	11
3	WEBB CITY	9
3	CARTHAGE	10
11	WILLARD	5
5	SPGFLD PARKVIEW	3
3	JOPLIN	8



Junior, Kent Hames practices his swing before he goes up to bat. Much concentration is needed in making contact with the ball.

Speed and agility are the keys to making it around the bases to home plate. Senior, Aaron Fowler looks as if he will succeed.

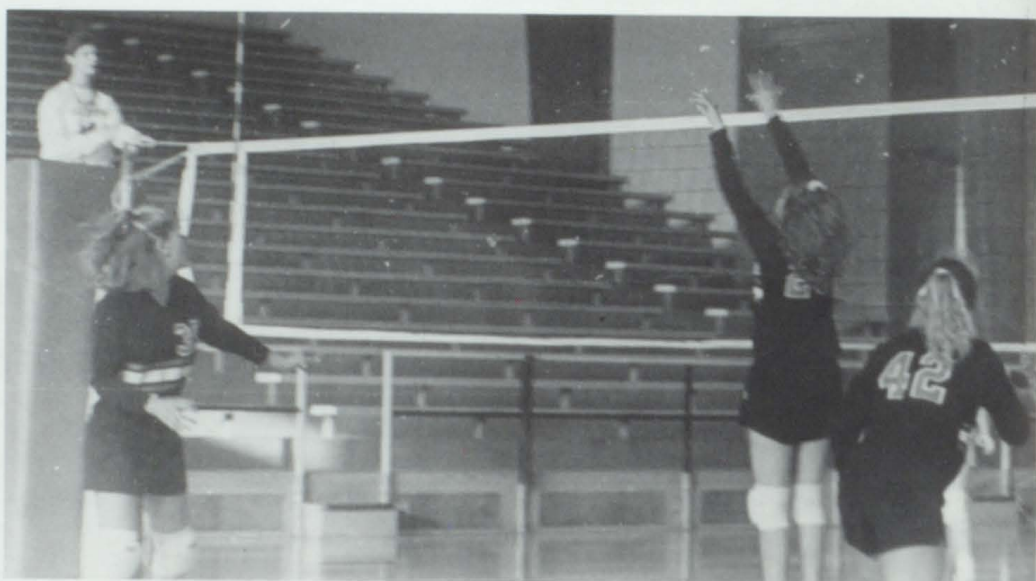




Freshmen Volleyball Team Back row: H. Jessen, A. Crawmer, E. Dobbs, J. Hood, and Coach Harlan. Front row: C. Janss, M. Brown, J. Thomson, and V. Copeland.



Valerie Copeland and Amanda Crawmer warm up in preparation for the upcoming contest.



With timing and coordination, Holly Jessen sets the ball as Amanda Crawmer prepares to send the ball over the net to score.

The 1990 freshman volleyball team had an impressive year with a record of 8-3. They showed great enthusiasm and determination while on and off the court. Cheering teammates on and giving encouragement was a familiar sight in practice or while playing in a game. There's a lot of good competition to look forward to as these players represent Neosho in the years ahead.

Freshman Volleyball 1990

<i>OPP</i>	<i>W-L</i>		
<i>Carl Junction</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>Sarcoxie</i>	<i>W</i>
<i>Carthage</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>Carthage</i>	<i>W</i>
<i>Webb City</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>Riverton</i>	<i>W</i>
<i>Nevada</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>Nevada</i>	<i>W</i>
<i>McDonald Co.</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>McDonald Co.</i>	<i>W</i>
<i>Webb City</i>	<i>W</i>		

8th and 9th Girls Basketball

The Eighth and Ninth Girls Basketball team had a very successful year in 1990-91. There were a large number of girls that tried out for the team that had talent, dedication, and skill. The coaches had a tough time deciding the final roster. Both teams had prosperous seasons. The girls learned new skills and shared some memories, too. The eighth grade A team finished 12-2, and the B team 9-1, while the freshmen finished 9-10.



The eighth grade team, back, S. Scroggins, manager, C. Hickman, H. Mitchell, A. Neilson, K. Davis, S. Ringstaff, K. Marty, M. Olson. Front, D. Slinkard, H. Norman, S. Clark, S. Martin, A. Sammons, T. Poore, P. Pierce, M. Yust, H. Richards, and Coach Bill Henton.



Despite her opponent's effort, Kimberly Marty shoots for two and scores for the Cats.



The ninth grade team, back: T. Rasmussen, M. Brown, E. Dobbs, C. Janss, M. Hadley, Coach Sue Buttram. Front: J. Thompson, A. Wood, H. Jessen, B. Blackwell, and J. Hood.



Daphne Slinkard looks very determined to score for her team even though it's four on one.

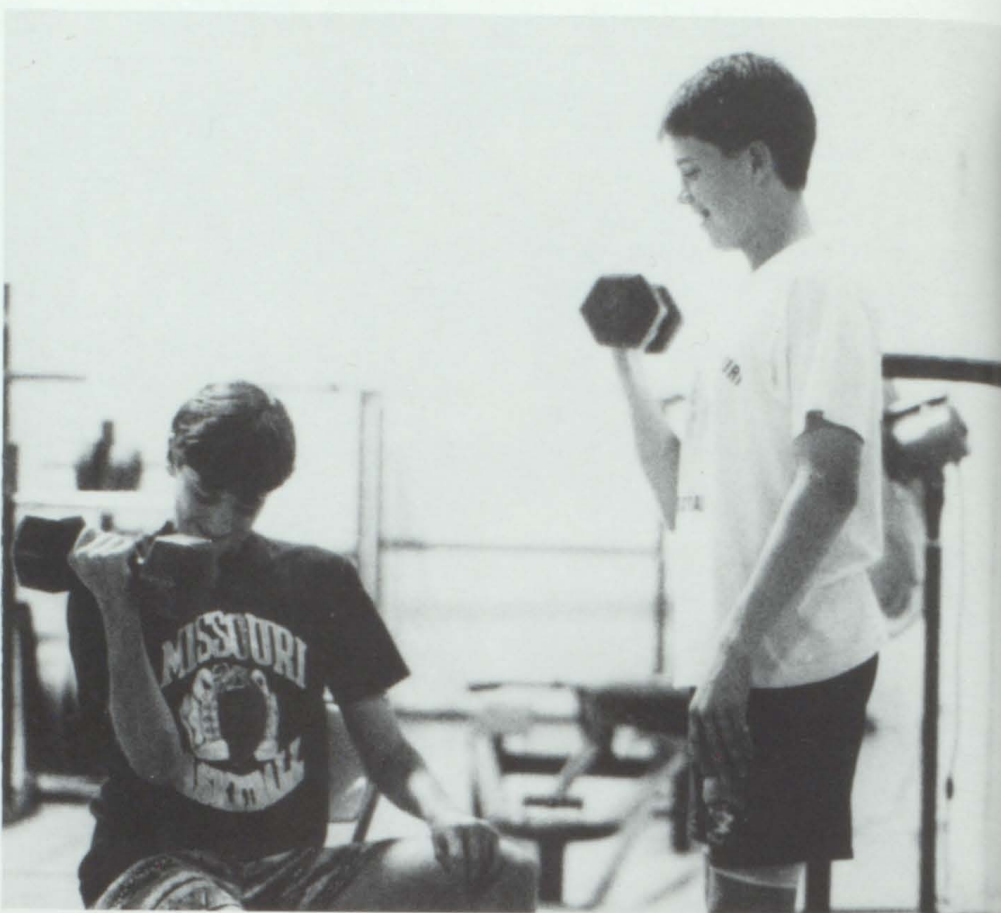
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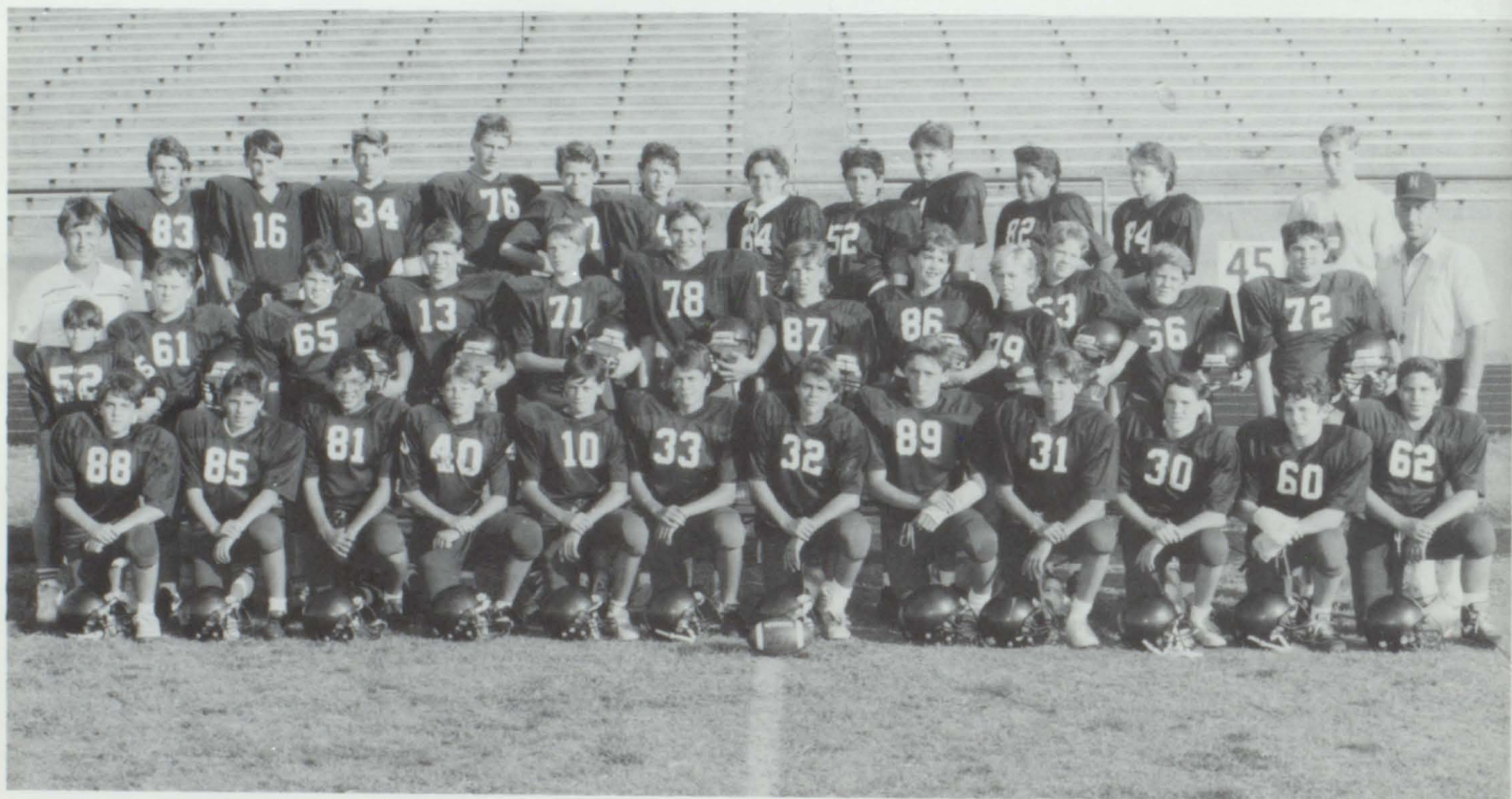
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Conditioning is important, even at the eighth grade level. Here, left, Doug Gillispie and Ronnie Quintana spend time in the weight room working to build muscle to take those hard hits.

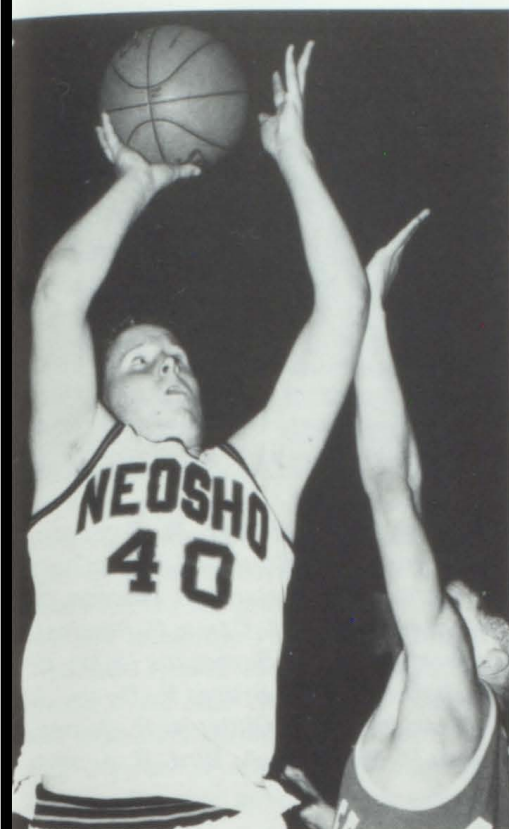


The Jr. High football teams had a very successful year. The B team ended the year with a record of 5-0, while the A team ended up with a record of 4-1. The only loss for the A team came from a very tough Webb City Cardinal team. During the year the teams beat teams such as Carthage, Diamond, Nevada, and Carl Junction. Coach Al Potter said that this eighth grade team was "one of the best in a long time." Members of the team seemed to be cooperative and played well together.



Members of the eighth grade football team are: S. Rader, D. Gillispie, T. Welch, R. Quintana, B. Lewis, R. Crawford, B. Hardage, G. Russel, T. Barker, J. Bridges, J. Henson, D. Sims, E. McAffrey, C. Farrell, J. Phillips, N. Abernathy, S. Friend, M. Compton, J. Alverado, J. Ebbinghaus, A. Letts, B. Hudelson, B. Long, K. Sanders, B. McGranahan, C. Clark, R. James, C. Bates, L. Rogers, J. Mosley, J. Tordoff, N. Nickerson, R. James, E. Mitchell, K. Hopkins, D. Bruce, M. Pritchard, L. Johnson. Managers: N. Honeycutt, H. Mitchell, J. Patterson, E. Griffith, N. Blevins, J. Foster.

BOYS JR. HIGH BASKETBALL



The Neosho Jr. High basketball team: top row, Manager Cory Farrell, Jason Keeler, Scott Rader, Gene Russell, Ryan Crawford, Matt Olson, Daniel Bruce, Doug Gillispie, Richard James, Eric Mitchell, Josh Henson, Coach Dickinson. Bottom row: Dusty Franks, Jeremy Phillips, Eric McAffrey, Ronnie Quintana, Brian Mitchell, Brian Lewis, Matt Lampo, Toby Welch, Michael Compton.



Neosho	OPP
Monett	W
Joplin	L
Aurora	W
Monett	W
Carthage	W
Carthage	W
Carl Junction	W
Nevada	W
Miami, OK	W
Carthage	L

The 1990-91 Freshman boy's basketball team is: top, Ryan Harryman, Kent Caudell, Clifford Smith, Tim Henderson, Brad Ward, Justin Fowler, Frank Gold, Trent Burback, and Coach Fowler. Bottom row: Joe Sparks, Jim Holman, Bob Briggs, Nathan Bressie, Dustin Lee, Marty Yust, Roy White, and Monty Lauderdale. Upper left: Brad Ward, a starter on the freshmen team, shoots over a Carthage defender in a Wildcat victory.

OPP	W/L	Webb City	L
McDonald Co.	W	Miami	L
Nevada	L	Aurora	W
Carthage	W	Nevada	L
Pittsburgh, KS	W	Lamar	W
Lamar	W	Carthage	W
Webb City	L	Nevada	L
Joplin	L	Pittsburgh, KS	W
Aurora	W	Nevada	L
Bentonville, AR	W	Carthage	W
Diamond	W		



The Junior High track team was coached by Al Potter and Mike Miller. J.H. track is a preliminary stage to high school then college track. Some are in track just because they like to run. Track is a sport which takes a good set of legs. Below: Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No it's Doug Gillispie taking flight in the long jump. The long jump takes strong legs and the ability to jump, sure looks like Doug has that under control.



The team was large this year as you can tell. 1st row: J. Foster, M. Compton, T. Welch, J. Bridges, J. Darden, J. Cooper, J. Whiteside, R. Crawford, B. McGraham, K. Sanders, A. Franks. 2nd row: N. Honeycutt, E. McFarland, A. Nielsen, C. Hickman, K. Marty, M. Olson, B. Bond, M. Reynolds, J. Ball, J. Cales, P. Percival, S. Ringstaff. 3rd row: J. Moser (mgr), J. Chambers (mgr), S. Scroggins (mgr), C. Bogel, T. Condict, J. Weems, B. Mitchell, B. Huddelson, D. Bruce, K. Davis, J. Jones, J. Robert. 4th row: C. Hunt (mgr), T. Clark (mgr), D. Gillispie, R. James, B. Demoss, D. Franks, K. Prettyman, M. Wilson, B. Hardage, A. Bird, R. James, D. Hilgenburg.



John Weems wonders, "O.K. guys now how do I get down?"

NJHS CHEERLEADERS

Missy Norris and Cristal Wolfe help the coaches rap!



The 8th and 9th grade cheerleaders have had an exciting and "cheerful" year. They were busy with football games, girls and boys basketball games and many pep assemblies. Their sponsors, Mrs. Caudell (9th grade) and Mrs. Marble (8th grade), helped them out and made the year fun for them. They also helped the cheerleaders increase junior high class spirit. The junior high administration demonstrated their support of school spirit and the cheerleaders and athletes both agreed that this made a real difference in school spirit. During the year, school spirit improved to the best it had been in many years. This was very encouraging for the junior high teams.

At the end of the year each squad voted on their most spirited member or members. The 9th graders chose Cristal Wolfe, while the 8th graders had a tie between Erin Rogers, and Sandra Tallon. All of the girls helped in leading the Wildcats to victory.



Freshmen Cheerleaders: Missy Norris, Aimee Silence, Dani Knight, Heather Green, Michelle Rodriguez, Cristal Wolfe, and Naomi Jordan.



It takes balance and coordination to successfully end a mount.



8th Cheerleaders: Top: Sandra Tallon. Middle: Erin Rogers, Shelley Clark. Bottom: Michelle Nixon, Jessica Coles, and Hailey Chenoweth.

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YEARBOOK

Often during seventh hour, yearbook students could be seen in the halls walking frantically in search of club sponsors, looking for students, re-searching copy, or taking pictures. Most people don't realize all the hard work yearbook class entails. Students must learn to write and fit copy, crop pictures, organize information, draw layouts, and meet important deadlines.

The class wasn't all work and no play, however. The yearbook students took an occasional day off to just relax, especially the day after a big deadline. "The pizza party in April was just what we needed before we headed for the next deadline," states Angela Morrison, (12). This was the first year for Mrs. Branscum to sponsor the publication, and with only three returning seniors, the class learned together just exactly what it takes to produce a first class yearbook.



Right, Sheba Burris (12), Kevin Larson (11), and Laura Knight (12), discuss the picture captions as they hurry to finish their pages in time for the deadlines while Kerri Pruitt (11), upper right, seems to be distracted and concentrating on other things rather than fitting her layout together correctly.



Taking a picture with a manual camera isn't as easy as it looks, as Becky Briggs (12), finds out.



Far right, Shanna Ferguson (11), places pictures to complete her pages. Above, members of the 1990-1991 Neohimo staff are: bottom row, Kerri Pruitt (11), Tracy Goins (12), Bobby Britten (11), Jason Beier (12), Kevin Larson (11), Stacey Randen (11), Angela Kimbrough (12); top row, Kim Jones (12), Angela Morrison (12), Sheba Burris (12), Sara Strohl (11), Kim Marion (12), Becky Briggs (12), Lisa Ducommun (12), Stephanie Friend (12), Chyna Henson (11), Shanna Ferguson (11), and Julie Dickinson (12).



BREAKS NEW GROUND

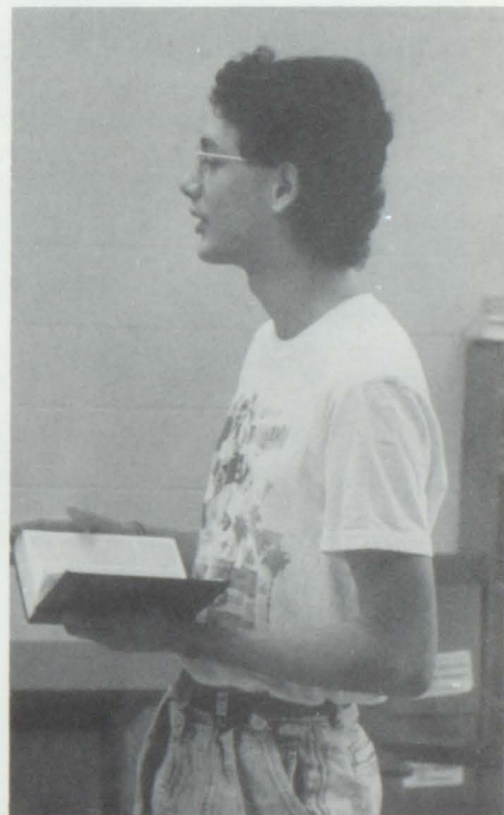
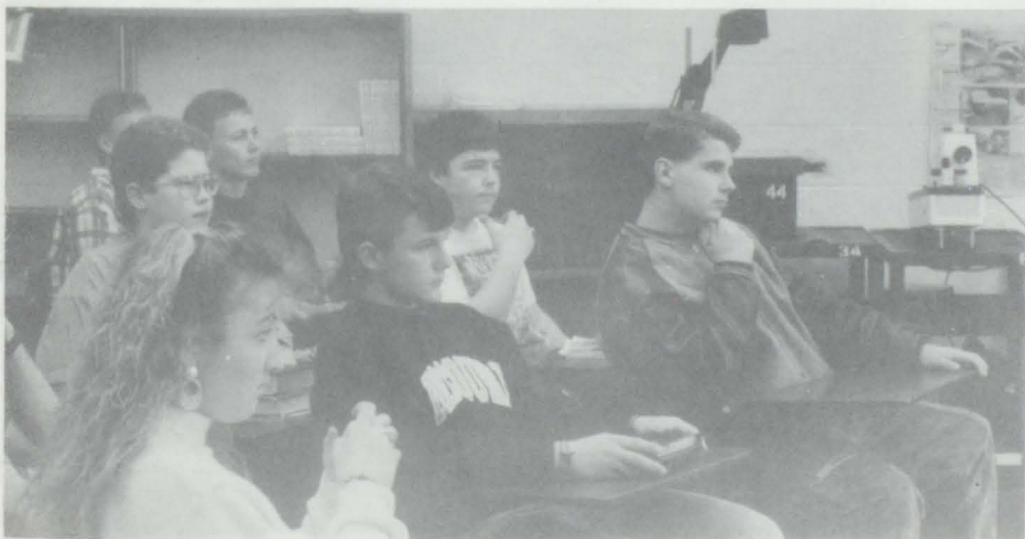


Members of OCIA for the 1990-1991 school year are, left, front row: Robert Jordan (9), Gary Standefer (10), Mary Babbitt (10), Monica Tomlin (9), Amy Jordan (11); back row: Matt Babbitt (11), Raymond Blackburn (10), Brian McGehee (10), Jason Landsdown (10), Melissa Crumbliss (11), Jonathon Davis (9), and Brian Treadwell (9). Above, Monica Tomlin, Jonathon Davis and Robert Jordan are three of the prayer group members that enjoy the insight that OCIA offers to help carry each person through the day.

This year a new organization started at Neosho High School. Obedient Christians in Action is a group of student that organized early in the year and continued to be active until the end of the year. Many members hope that the club will be able to continue next year.

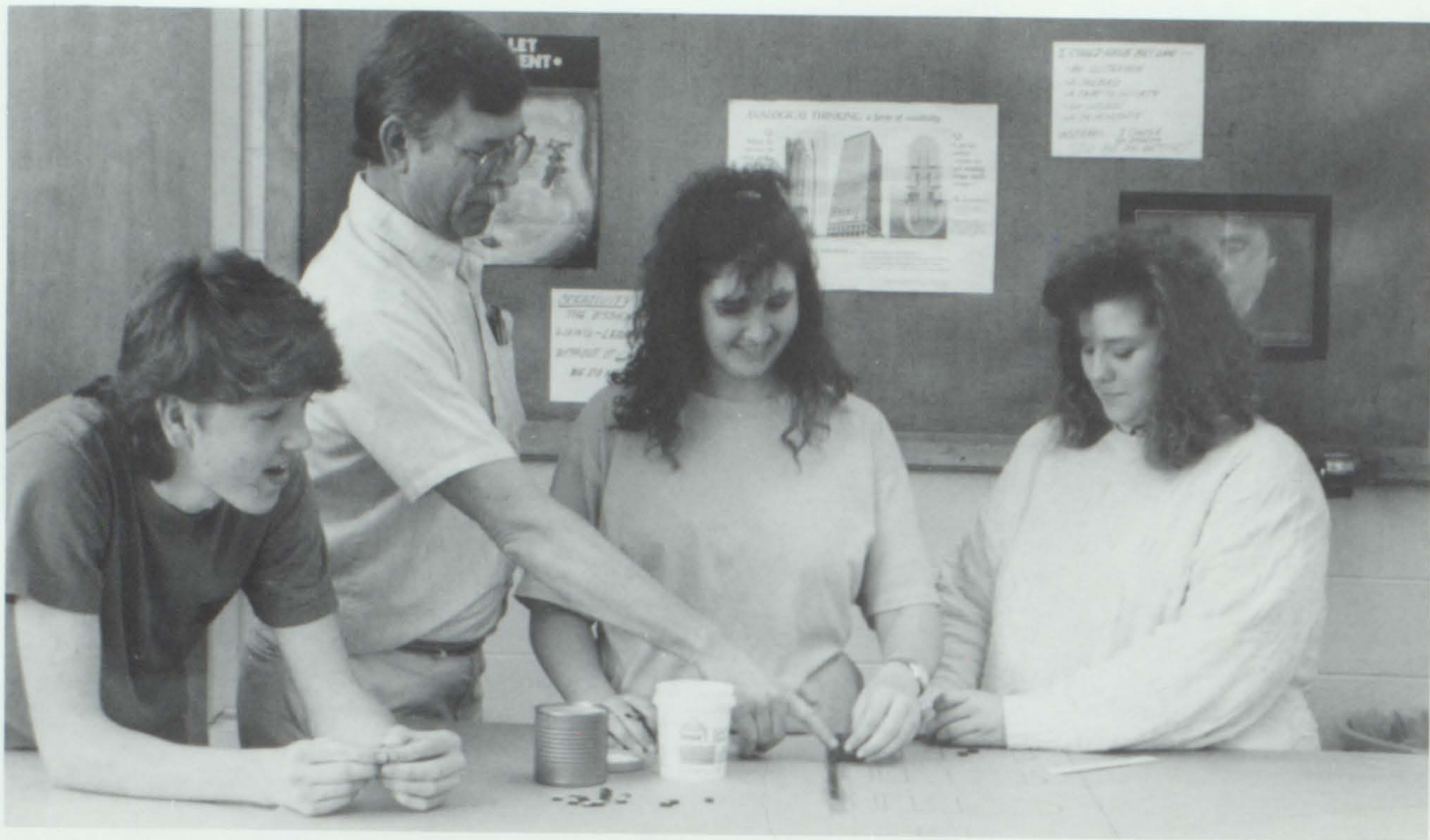
Meetings are held every Tuesday in Mr. Schibi's room, and a Bible study is held Thursdays in Mr. Fowler's room. OCIA studies the scripture for insight and direction. The group had a special prayer session for the troops in the Persian Gulf area, and remembered them throughout the year.

Amy Jordan, junior, says about OCIA, "We're here to support other Christians in our school and support each other as well. Our Bible study and prayer helps us to do that." Mr. Schibi and Mr. Fowler both helped to co-sponsor the club.



Above, J. Lansdown leads the Bible study group with a spiritual message. Left, listening attentively are B. Treadwell, M. Crumbliss, S. Banks, B. McGehee, G. Standefer, and R. Blackburn.

ART CLUB



Art Club's most active students Edward Kelly (11), Laura Wheelan (12), Kim Hund (12) work with Mr. Warren, sponsor, on the new mural.

Art Club is an organization that has been with Neosho High School for several years. Mr. Warren is the club's sponsor and has been an art teacher for 8 years. Last year NHS changed to a three year high school so Art Club repainted the boundaries for the sophomores and juniors. They also painted the partitions in the cafeteria, and this year's big project for Art Club is the new mural for the art room stairs. This type of mural is called a Mosaic, and it is made of small ceramic tiles that later will be filled in with grout. When all placed together, the tiles will form a picture of a bridge. This project will not be completed until the end of 1992. It will then replace the current mural, created in 1981.



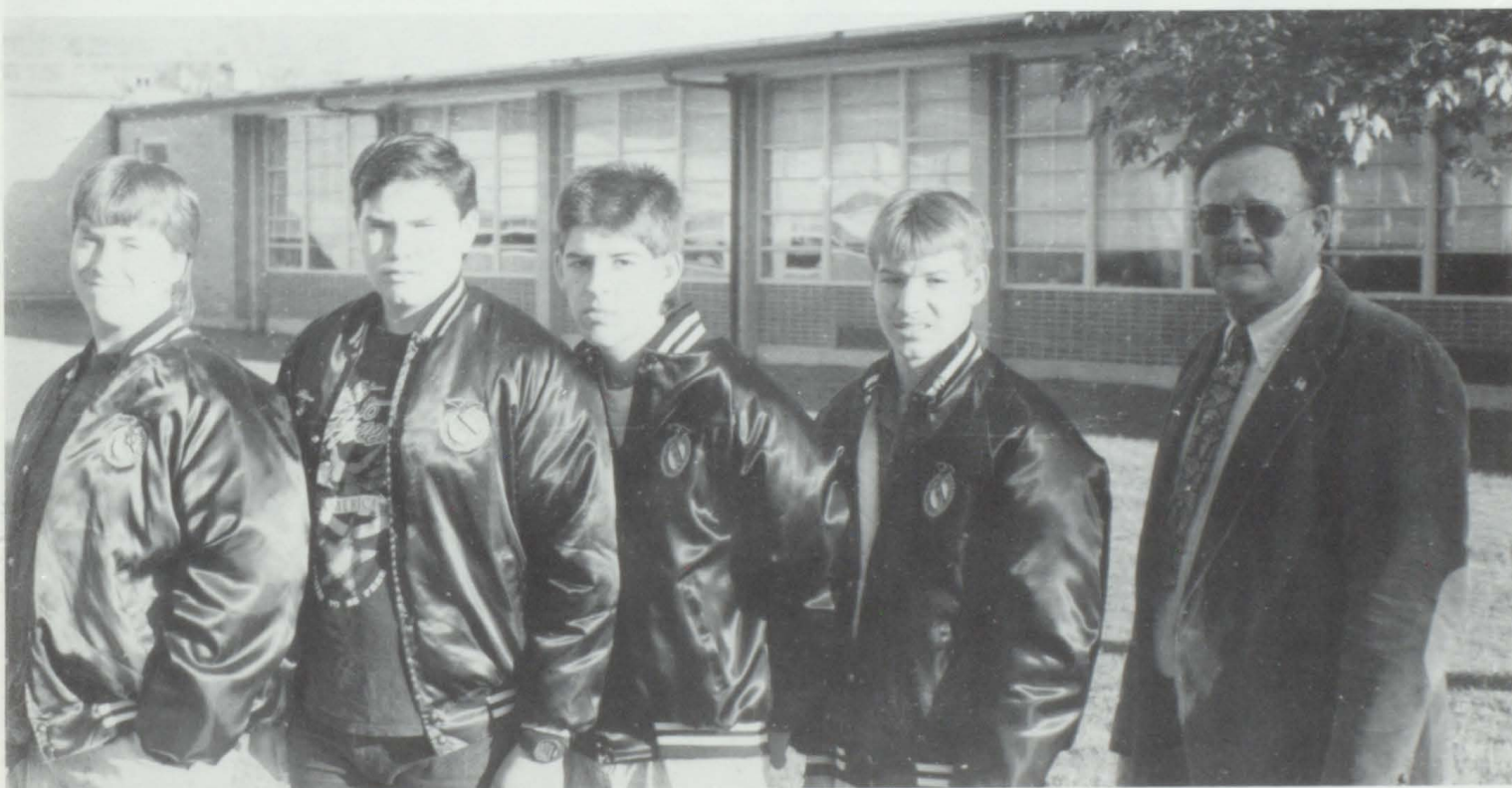
Art Club members: Kim Hund 12, Ed Kelly 11, Laura Wheelan 12, Angela Morrison 12, and Darren Whitman 12.

FIAT

FIAT is Neosho High School's technology club. This club is relatively new. They work on designs for many different projects. One of their main projects this year was the building of a hovercraft. A hovercraft is a vehicle that is able to travel over land or water by "hovering" on a cushion of air. FIAT students learned many important mechanical skills and applications that could be handy to them later in life or in their work. They learned how to draft and build many types of different designs. Their sponsor this year was Mr. Glenn Sanders. Mr. Sanders is an industrial arts teacher at the high school.



Right, Chad Sloan and Eric Boyer appear to be working fairly hard on the hovercraft being built by the FIAT group. Below, the active members of FIAT this year are: Chad Sloan, Jeremy Huffman, Matt Boyer, Eric Boyer, and Mr. Sanders. The club hopes to see more students get involved in the organization next year and continue working on other ideas they have for future projects.



DECA

This year's Distributive Education Cooperatives of America organization had a very successful, educational and fun year. In their annual fund-raising project DECA raised over \$1500.00. DECA hosted the Muscular Dystrophy Association Bowl-a-thon, which benefits children with Muscular Dystrophy. DECA team members combined with members of more than six other clubs for a night of bowling and raised at least \$2200.00.

DECA did well at the District and State competitions this year. Among many qualifiers to State, Matt Neustal (11) was elected the Junior Vice-Presidential Candidate, and attended the National competition in Denver, Colorado.



Members are: row 4, N. Price, T. Clark, C. Walker, L. Romeo, M. Neustal, J. Bowers, J. Faulkner, B. Elliot, row 3, J. Rhodes, M. Tyler, J. Renfro, K. Stephens, M. Landreth, J. Stiger, M. Siegal, row 2, B. Rhumes, J. Horton, B. Cook, K. Cleaver, J. Nelson, row 1, S. Beaver, B. Elliot, D. Clouse, W. Williamson, and not pictured T. Goins.



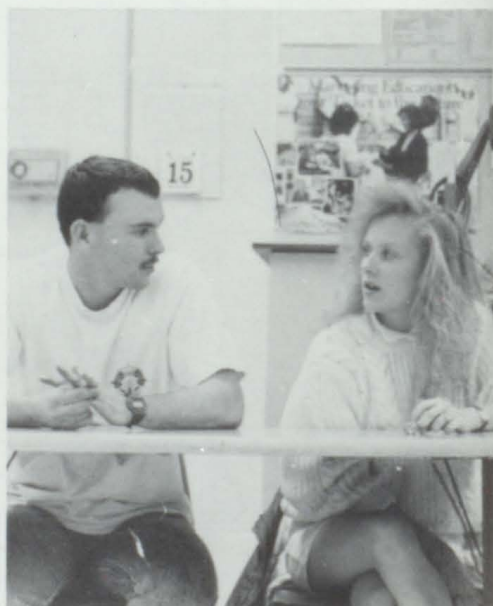
Right: During an important fall meeting, Brian Elliot (12), President, is addressing the club about plans for DECA's annual fundraiser, sausage and cheese sales, as Sherry Beaver (12), Vice President, looks over his notes to read the information for herself.



Belonging to DECA means learning leadership skills, as (right) officers of the club learn. At a DECA club meeting, Wendy Williamson (12), treasurer, and Dawn Clouse (12), reporter, are involved in what seems to be an important discussion about the meeting's agenda.



Above, DECA students competed and state and district competitions and did very well, as shown by all the winning trophies.





"PROUD TO BE"...

an Ameri"CAN" was the national theme for 90-91. Symbolizing that FBLA members could set goals and accomplish them through their unique leadership abilities.

FBLA took the lead in sponsoring a project that sent letters to soldiers involved in the mid-east Crisis. Letters were written to "Any Soldier", and an effort was made to get the names of local people serving and to send them personal letters. Almost 400 letters were sent. Many students remain in contact with their pen-pal.

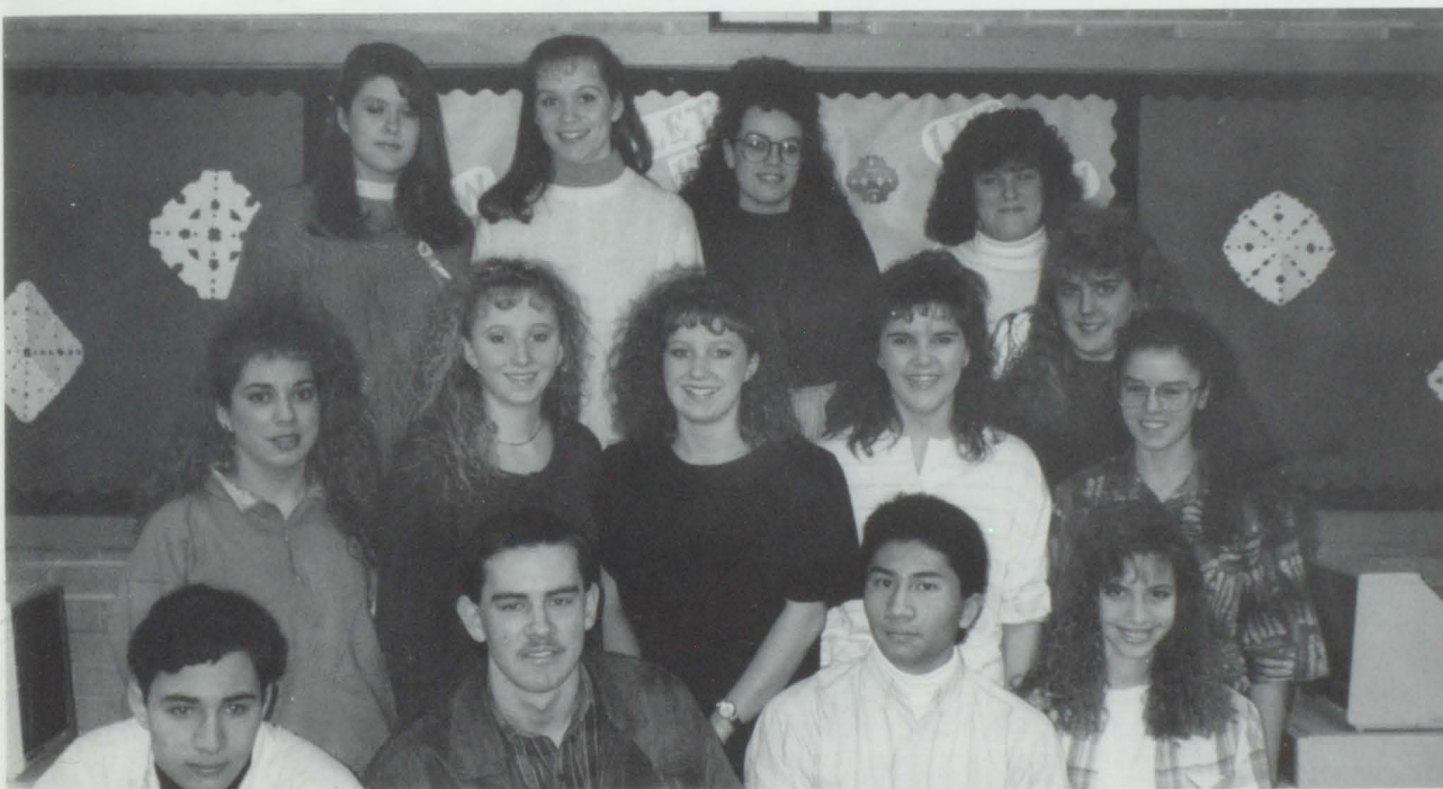
At Christmas time, the group made two visits to the local nursing home to help decorate their tree, bulletin boards, and to wrap packages. Social activities of the group included pizza parties, a Christmas party and an end of the year social.

This year FBLA participated in district competition where they brought home many awards. They showed their knowledge and exhibited their many talents.

Those that qualified for state were, Tammy Farley and Lauri Mills.



District winners are: Tammy Farley-accounting; Lauri Mills-shorthand; Shana Griffin, Lauri Mills; Tammy Farley-entrepreneurship; Mindy Ferguson-business; David Gustaveson-poster; Whitney Wright-English; Brian Evans-speaking; Mindy Marble-calculations.



Members of FBLA front: David Gustaveson, Brian Evans, Long Dang, Elizabeth Miller; middle row, Tammy Farley, Lauri Mills, Whitney Wright, Joetta Powers, Shawna Griffin, Darleen Shinkle; back, Mindy Marble, Mendi Ferguson, Tricia Jones, Stephanie Friend.

The FFA is active throughout the year with many activities. They hold annual fundraisers like the Citrus Sale. The Citrus Sales supply money to the chapter funds. Each member competes with other members to make the most sales. The top sellers won \$100.00 and the prizes went down from there.

The members also participate in community services. This year the students went to Neosho Senior Center to plant shrubs and flowers to enhance the looks of the new building.

Throughout the year these activities are converted to points members can use to achieve awards. One of the awards they strive to reach is area/state farmer. This year's area farmers were Seth Bledsoe, Brandon Burris, Tim Hardy, Jason Hyder, Ryan McCracken, JoEtta Powers, Robert Wallis, and David Freund. David Freund also received the award of State Farmer.

The 3rd week of February the FFA members celebrate National FFA week. During this week they thank the staff by giving them each a cherry tart and letting them know how the FFA appreciates them. They do a radio program at KBTN to make the public aware of what they are doing.

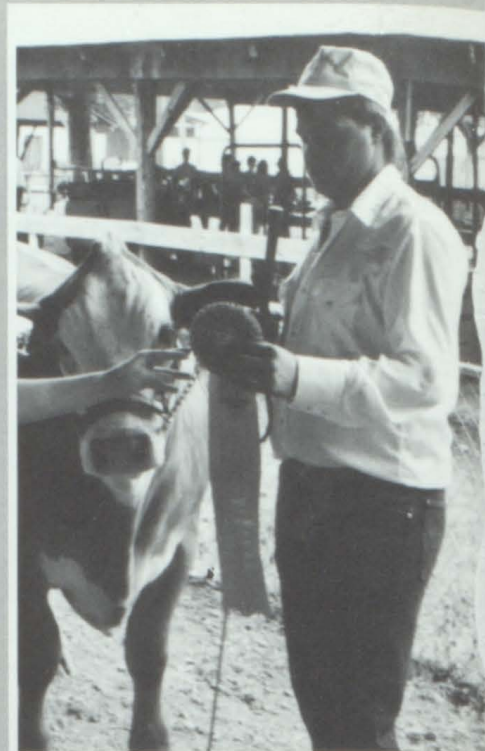
The FFA members stay active throughout the year doing the things they enjoy in their activities. Many members continue their work through the summer.



These four FFA members take a break at Food For America. Eric Brodie (11), Daric Garren (12), Nick Bussey (12), and Jason Hyder (12).



Dusty Richmond-Treasurer, David Freund-President, Matthew Babbitt-Secretary, Ryan McCracken-2nd Vice President, Brandon Burris-Sentinel, Jason Hyder-Vice President, JoEtta Powers-Reporter.



Chad Spencer (11) receives the Grand Show Champion award at this year's Newton County Fair.



Allen Tosh (12) looks like he's had a rough day as he helps carry the fruit they sold.

FFA MOVES AHEAD



Brandon Burris escorted Jennifer Quick, Bryan Reibolt escorted JoEtta Powers, David Freund escorted Tawnia Pogue, and Tearessa Davis was escorted by Ryan McCracken. Jennifer was Barnwarming Sweetheart, and will be going on to the fair to compete. Best wishes to Jennifer in fair competition, she will represent Neosho well.



JoEtta Powers (12) received an award FFA is proud of. She won Newton County Fair Queen; to show his appreciation Mr. Aldrich gave her a pig to kiss.



These guys seem to be excited about sharing a little Christmas with others less fortunate. Matthew Babbitt (11), Seth Bledsoe (11) and Jonathan Davis (10).



CHES-the right move!

Chess in one form or another is one of the oldest games known in the world. The basis of chess is to take the other players pieces, but you cannot take the king. Instead, you must put the king in check or checkmate. Chess is a game where one player tests his ability to strategically move his pieces about the board, his wits, and his ability to think ahead.

Games can last anywhere from 4 moves to several days. One nice thing about chess is that it is near impossible to play the same game twice, since there are billions of different combinations to move the pieces. Mr. Haupt, the sponsor, enjoyed sharpening his skills as well as he challenged each of the members.

Right: Richard Williamson shows us how much concentration it takes to play chess. Many times players study the board for five minutes or more before making a move. It's not a fast paced game, but does fully engulf the players. Below: Club members-Joshua Gray, Doug Wilson, Richard Williamson, Bradley Sumter, and Kevin Larson. Not pictured: Terry Gooch.



NHS



Barb Rasmussen, Patti Wylie, and Paula Mahaffey, help out at the Bloodmobile.

NHS members Rupal Bhakta and Marie Strohl tutor Angela Morrison before school.



To be an active member of National Honor Society, students are selected at the end of their junior year. Members of National Honor Society for the 1990-1991 school year are: Barbara Rasmussen, Ginger McGarragh, Curt Gilstrap, Sherry Davis, Ann Moser, Teresa Watts, Marie Strohl, Patti Wylie, Secretary; Lori Mugg, Terri Gillispie, President; Paula Mahaffey, Charles Goade, Sponsor; Jenny Boylan, Brent Mailes, Tammy Farley, Lauri Mills, Lisa Ducommun, Becky Briggs, Brenda Bond, Rupal Bhakta, Vice President; Emily Blackwell, Kim Marion, and Andy Hansen (not pictured).



With 20 members this year, NHS is a unique organization to be a part of. It's an honor to be included in this group because of the high academic standards required. Members must have a weighted grade point average of 3.5 or higher and be involved in other activities. Students must choose five of their current or past teachers to fill out reference forms, and selection is made by the NHS Faculty Council at the end of the junior year.

One of the activities of NHS is the bi-annual Blood Drive, which is always a big success. This year over 170 pints of blood was close to a record high. There are many benefits associated with being in NHS. It makes college applications more impressive, gives the person a feeling of accomplishment, and provides an opportunity to help others, all while getting out of class for two days!

Tracy Martin (12) doesn't seem to be too worried so far!

THE SPIANS ON STAGE



The Thespians or Troupe 1770 of the International Thespians Society was established at Neosho High School in 1980. The purpose of the organization was to promote drama and the theater activities.

The membership, which numbers 19, was made up of NHS students who have earned points by working as cast or crew members in plays. 1990-91 Thespian officers were President Andy Hansen, Vice President Andrea Hunter, Secretary Stephanie Hudelson.

The highlight of Thespian activities was when the one act play "The Taming of the Shrew" was performed before McDonald County High School. "The students and faculty of McDonald County were very receptive and enjoyed the performance," commented Linda Neilson, sponsor.

President Andy Hansen stated, "Thespians Society embraces the dramatic abilities that we all yearn for." He has put much effort into the past year for Thespians along with all other group members.



Many members were unavailable for pictures. Front: Pam Gates, Beth Kendall, Stacy Clemons, Paula MaHaffey. Back: Kory Gilstrap, Jeff Denefrio, and Matt Tignor. Not pictured: Andy Hansen, Andrea Hunter, Stephanie Hudelson, Melissa Crumbliss, Judy Reed, Spring McGraw, Sarah Hansen, Teresa Hutchins. Above: Pam Gates takes her part in the play seriously. Top right: The cast for the "Taming of the Shrew".



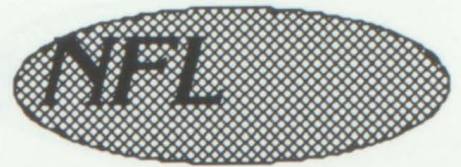
Spring McGraw, Matt Tignor, Judy Reed and Whitney Gilstrap take on new personalities and get a new look for their performance in "The Omelet Murder Case".



"Woe is me," says Melissa Crumbliss. "Makeup is such a chore." It looks as though Sarah Hansen agrees with her.

Throughout the school year the Neosho High School National Forensic League did well in competition. Qualifiers to N.F.L. Tournament in Chicago, Illinois in June were recognized for outstanding achievement. They were: Krista McGruder-U.S. extemporaneous speaking, the team of Andy Hansen and Krista McGruder in cross-x debate and Ginger McGarrah in Lincoln-Douglas debate. Nick Hayes was named outstanding squad member. Performer of the year goes to Pamela Gates. Newcomer goes to Teresa Hutchins and Curt Gilstrap.

N.F.L. members include; Krista McGruder, Andy Hansen, Ginger McGarrah, Linda Campbell, Valerie Carroll, Mark Horton, Matt Kissel, Dani Knight, Mya McClintock, Missy Norris, Tabi Pekins, Michelle Rodriguez, Paul Scoggin, Ryan Sweet, Jennifer Thompson, Curt Gilstrap, Sarah Hansen, Jason Reynolds, Jenny Spicer, Jeremy Weis, Michelle Bunch, Melissa Crumbliss, Kim Greer, Stephanie Hudelson, Andy Nimmo, Nathan Bressie, Teresa Hutchins, Judy Reed, Kristin Parks, Whitney Gilstrap, Lisa Miller, Gabe Hays, Pam Gates, Spring McGraw, Matt Tignor, Nick Hays, Jennifer Manhatton, Andy Corkery, Stacey Clemons, Brian Sparks, Beth Kendall, Melissa Crumbliss, Andrea Hunter, Wendy McDonald, Adam Becknell, Tracy Martin, Ben Rigdon, Amie Wood, Raymond Blackburn.



Andrea Hunter was one of the bright spots in the club. She isn't afraid to show her emotions which helps make the part real in a performance.



Pictured are the members of the Junior High NFL. There are high expectations for this group as they continue the NHS tradition of a great team.



Nick Hayes during a performance that got him first place at the District Speech and Debate Tournament.

The NFL finished first this year at districts with "Taming of the Shrew." Top: Nick Hays, Andy Hansen, and Pam Gates. Bottom: Beth Kendall, Mrs. Linda Neilson, and Stacy Clemons.





FCA IN ACTION

Fellowship of Christian Athletes is an organization that allows the non-athletes and athletes to join in fellowship with other Christians. FCA allows the individuals to join in a group of Christians in the belief of God and their love for others.

FCA had many group activities throughout the school year: volleyball, Saturday night bowling, a lock-in at the Baptist Student Union, get togethers with other FCA groups at Seneca, and the weekly Friday morning meetings at 7:45. Enthusiasm and excitement were a part of each of these gatherings.

All members agreed that FCA is a club where you can be yourself, enjoy life, and be around a bunch of other kids and have loads of fun.



FCA members, front: Karen Brodie, Kirk Harryman, Vice President; Emily Blackwell, President; Aaron Fowler, Secretary; Beth Schnackenberg and Shanna Ferguson. Middle: Chrystal Acton, Tigie Henson, Scott Jenkins, Julie Prewitt, Becky Blackwell, and Trey Sandoval. Back: Kent Caudell, Kenny Hickman, Travis McGruder, Sponsor-Coach Godfrey, Ryan Harryman, and Justin Fowler.



Getting together and playing volleyball is an annual event that all members enjoy.



Holly Hammett doesn't realize it yet, but sharing is part of being in FCA. Becky Blackwell, Emily Blackwell and Amanda Crawmer are about to demonstrate for her.



GOES HI-STEP

Students Against Driving Drunk, or SADD is not just any organization. It is an organization that lets students express their opinions about peer pressure related to the misuse of alcohol. These students organize and use their group to help educate their peers and younger children about what life has to offer and that the opportunities are better if they don't drink and drive. It is an organizational goal to teach as many young children as possible about the hazards of teenage drinking.

SADD was involved this year with several programs: the annual "Tie the Red Ribbon" in remembrance of those who have died in alcohol related accidents, Tuesday night get togethers, and the Hi-Step program for elementary children. Shanna Ferguson, a member of SADD, commented about what she liked the most about the SADD organization, "the Hi-Step program where we go to elementary schools and teach the kids about how they are important and are special." This is a new program and members hope to see it grow next year.



Students gather early of a morning to train and plan for the Hi-Step program. Devin Bramblett and Mrs. Brannock discuss how to present this important information to the children.



SADD members, front: Barb Tallon, Historian; Devin Bramblett, President; Shanna Ferguson, Public Relations; Beth Schnackenberg, Secretary; and Tracy McVey. Second: Stephanie Theas, Mindy Marble, Kim Hund, and Mikaela Englund. Third: Stephanie Rasmussen, Tonya Brock, and Til Bertram. Fourth: Shana Griffin, Barbara Rasmussen, Teresa Watts, Anna McCool, and DeeDee Houghton



Shanna Ferguson and Stephanie Hudelson put the Hi-Step program to work on the 5th graders at South School.

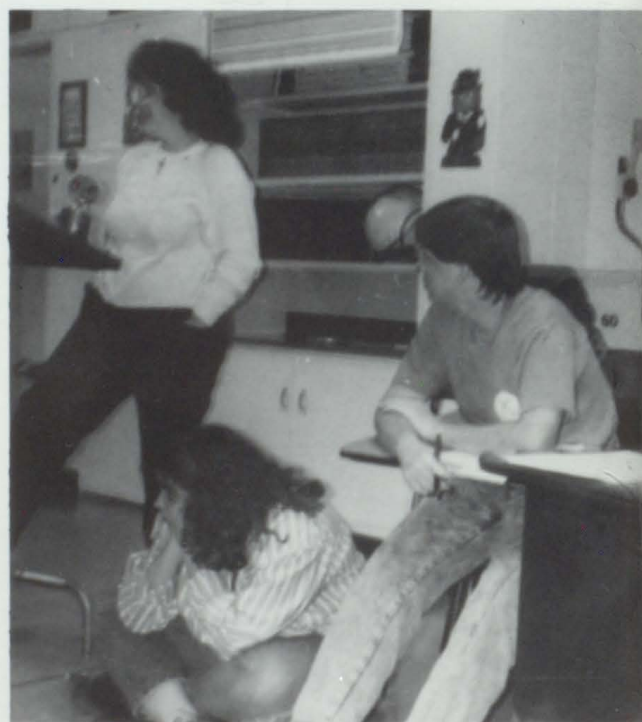
RENEWING COMMITMENT

The theme for Key Club International was "Renew Your Commitment." Key Clubbers all over America renewed their dedication to serving their homes, schools, and communities.

The culmination of the year for Key Clubbers is District Convention. This year's convention was held in Little Rock, Arkansas, and, as usual, the hours of work and effort made Neosho shine. Neosho took first place in the Achievement and Single Service awards. Three distinguished officers were recognized from Neosho: Patti Wylie, president; Andy Hansen, vice-president; and Jenny Spicer, secretary. Other awards won by Neosho included: second place, talent; second and third place, impromptu essay; third place, oratory; and third place, scrapbook. Neal Wayman was recognized as the Outstanding Kiwanian advisor, and Trey Sandoval was elected governor for the Mo-Ark District. Trey is the second governor to hail from Neosho. Congratulations!

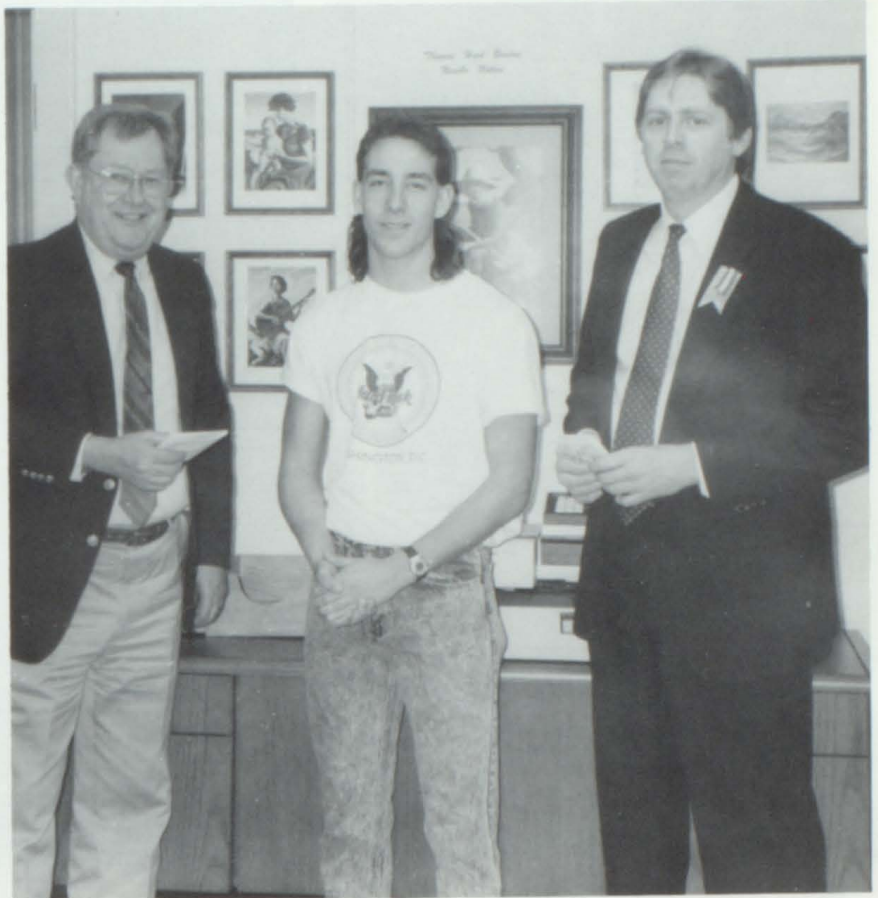


Working in the cafeteria can be hard work as Mike Mailes, and Paula Mahaffey, 12, find out when substituting for the cooks. Laughing and having fun is an important part of Key Club. At a weekly meeting, Travis Smith, 12, Joey Adams, 11, Jason Oxford, 12, and Brent Mailes, 12 catch up on the latest news.

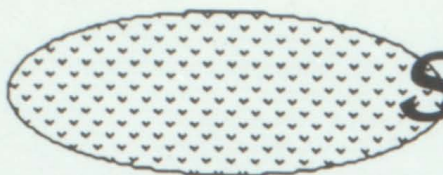


At a fundraising project, Advisor Mike Snow shows off his shooting technique. The business of meetings can be frustrating, but Key Clubbers are always ready to get down to business. Above, l-r, Patti Wylie, Becky Briggs, and Joey Adams help to see that meetings are run effectively.

Membership in Key Club is based on a person's character and their willingness to work hard. Although these things are important, a Key Clubber must also be able to survive the dreaded interview. Right, Donald Boman, 11, lets the board members know just how interested he is in joining Key Club. Supporting our school is one area that Key Club serves. District Lt. Governor Trey Sandoval, below gives certificates to our superintendents, letting them know how important they are to us.



Key Clubbers for 1990-91 are:, front-back, Lisa Ducommun, Mindy Marble, Sheila Childers, Tonna Condict, Sarah Hansen, Becky Briggs, Tracy Martin, Barb Webster, Kristi Browning, Melissa Crumbliss, Julie Dickinson, Patti Wylie, Donald Boman, Andrea Hunter, Andy Hansen, Beth Schnackenberg, Terri Gillispie, Stacy Clemons, Crystal Stephens, Cortney Kimbley, Barb Tallon, Trey Sandoval, Brent Mailes, Teresa Watts, April Burr, Jana Green, Wayne Sandoval, Mikaela Englund, Paula Mahaffey, Sponsor Mike Snow, Mike Mailes, Travis Smith.



STUCO HELPS CODY



Above, Cody Sanders is the young boy with the glycogen storage disease that Stuco sponsored.



Stuco members, front: Emily Blackwell, Jenny Boylan, Chris Morrow; middle, Brian Evans, David Gustavson, Krista McGruder, Sarah Hansen, Abe Banks, Seth Berry, Nori Farber; back, Missy Phelps, Tammy Farley, Kim Marion, Beth Schnackenberg, Karen Brodie, and Long Dang. Not pictured: Amy Rader, Lauri Mills, and Shanna Ferguson.

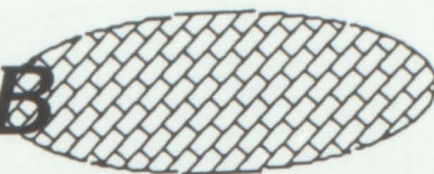
Stuco once again has had a successful year. Early on, Missy Phelps and Emily Blackwell proposed undertaking a community service project to which members agreed to enthusiastically. They decided to start a fund raiser for Cody Sanders, a local three year old. Cody is the son of Rod and Jane Sanders. He has two sisters, Sheba Burris, a senior this year, and Nikki Sanders who is 11. Cody has a rare liver disease known as glycogen storage disease. There is no known cure for this illness, and he and his parents must travel to Bethesda, Maryland to the National Institute of Health, where doctors are searching for a cure. When Stuco found out all the expenses for Cody's medicines and trips, they decided to help out. The original fund raising idea was to collect aluminum cans for resale. The response wasn't as high as expected, so Stuco members went into the classrooms in December and asked NHS students for their spare change. The response was overwhelming, and a check was presented to Cody and his family for \$500 at Christmas time. Sheba and her family would like to thank each and every one that opened up their hearts and gave a little, which in the long run meant so much.

Some of Stuco's other accomplishments: conference banners for the gym, a year-round shorts policy for the high school, and participating in the Adopt-a-highway program. Stuco is a hardworking group of students that really care about their school and community.



Above, Cody has a ball playing video games with Long Dang and Stuco at Mazzio's while Missy Phelps coaches him along.

SCIENCE CLUB



Science Club members: Laura Wheelan, Tina Williams, Tammy Farley, Scott Jenkins, Missy Phelps, Jenny Boylan, Lauri Mills, Andy Corkery, Tim Hobbs, Kendra Andrews, Randy House, Crystal Wolf, Chris Lay, Jenny Gilstrap, Christie Tessmer, Natalie Brattin, MaryAnn Lyerla, Clay Sanger, and Amy Wynn.



Science Club officers: Lisa Ducommon, Secretary; Lauri Mills, President; and Jenny Boylan, Vice President.

Science Club is a fun organization for kids to get involved in if they enjoy being outdoors and around nature. The sponsors are Mr. Sides and Mrs. Richardson. This year the club cleaned the outdoor science lab behind the high school and went to the Joplin Crime Lab where they found out about many interesting procedures used in the process of investigating a crime. To wrap up the year and to make sure the club activities were not all work and no play, the club went on a canoe trip. Students had a great time!

FTA Expands Horizons

This year the NHS chapter of the Future Teachers of America experienced an outstanding year. "We had many interesting projects and a lot of enthusiastic members to make the year great," comments Lisa Ducommun (12). The Club attended the fall state convention, the MSSC Cadet Teacher Day, and the spring district convention where Barbie Owens ran for district vice-president. Other activities included creating a homecoming billboard, hosting a reception for retired teachers during National Education Week, and going caroling with SADD at Christmas time. Through the guidance office, the FTA is starting an elementary level tutoring program, and next year cadet teaching for credit might be part of FTA's activities. Every member of the club was rewarded through participation in FTA. "One of my favorite activities was painting pillars at Big Spring Park for a service project. It was a good feeling to help out the community," stated Byron Wylie (12), "and that's what education is all about."

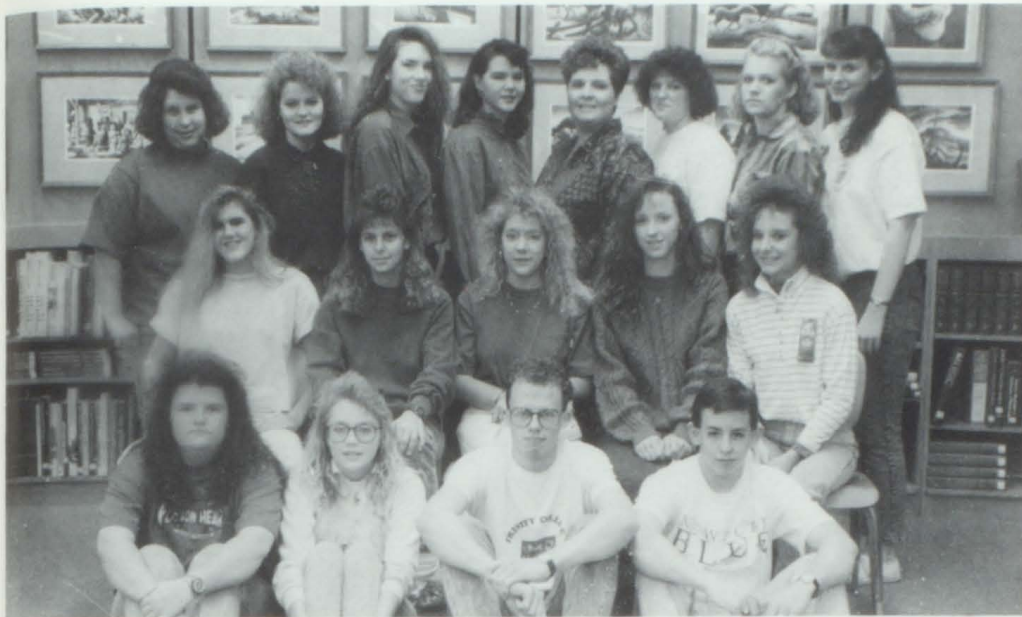


The 1990-1991 FTA members were: back row, Byron Wylie (12), Amy Rader (12), Nick Hayes (12), Heather Casey (10), Tonya Brock (10); middle row, Mike Mailes (12), Mikaela Englund (12), Tina Williams (12), Brent Mailes (12), Jason Trenary (12), Barbie Owens (11); front row, Historian Devon Bramblett (12), Vice-President Lisa Ducommun (12), President Becky Briggs (12), and Secretary Brenda Bond (12).

Nick Hayes (12) shows his enthusiasm despite having to hobble around on crutches to attend the FTA convention. Below, Brent Mailes (12) serves up a cup of punch at the reception for retired teachers.



LIBRARY CLUB



Club members are: J. Lasswell, J. Manhatton, J. Stiger, L. Thomas, B. Rasmussen, S. Friend, A. Virgin, S. Mosby. Middle: H. Hintz, H. Clapp, J. Barker, J. Testerman, T. Goins. Front: D. Clay, S. Theas, J. Weis, and J. Trenary. Not pictured are B. Tallon, T. Smith, S. Plant, C. Meredith, J. Jones, J. Hulburt, T. Henry, C. Hardy, and K. Browning.

Sarah Strohl doesn't know she can't reach the top, should we tell her?



Lori Johnson does her weekly duty of shelving magazines quite well.



The Library Club officers for the 90-91 year were: President Stacie Mosby, Vice President Allyson Virgin, Sec./Treas. Barbara Rasmussen.

The Library Club was very busy this year. Several of the students in the club are library aid students. They have jobs such as shelving, checking in and out books and magazines. They are in charge of helping keep the library clean, neat, and in order. The workers also help out in keeping up interests by making up bulletin boards. Mrs. Payne and Mrs. Meredith sponsor and help the club in the projects they take on. They work very hard to keep things running smoothly and to come up with all the neat ideas to promote the library and Library Club. For book week, to promote the new books, the students made posters and bulletin boards with the theme, "Books-a passport to a new world every time." They sponsored a valentine contest, guessing how many kisses were in a container. For every book that was checked out the person received one guess. There were 536 kisses. The Library Club works very hard every year to make the library a more interesting place.



LITERARY CLUB

English was the native language for nearly all of the students at NHS last year. Literary Club dedicated their year to the exploration and understanding of literature.

Webster's describes literature as "The total writings of a given language or people." For us as Americans, this could include both American and English literature, and can be extended to include films. Throughout the year Literary Club met informally to discuss favorite authors of books, plays, films, or their original works.

The club saw a change in sponsors this year. Mrs. Kissee was a new teacher this year and replaced Mrs. Stover as club sponsor.

Literary Club members for 1990-91 are: Barbi Owens, 11; Kelly Sink, treasurer, 11; Paula Mahaffey, 12; Spring McGraw, secretary, 12; Lisa Ducommun, 12; and Becky Briggs, president, 12. Not pictured: Mikaela Englund, Kim Marion, and Amy Merrill.



Literary Club encourage writing as well as reading. Lisa Ducommun, 12, proofreads her work, trying to think of just the right words to express her thoughts. Preparing for the annual writing contest, Kim Marion, 12, uses her creative talent to make advertisements.



MATH CLUB ADDS IT UP

One of the most popular clubs at NHS was Math Club. Students who were talented mathematically or just interested in the subject were all members. Each month, the club traveled to MSSC to compete in contests against other area schools.

Math Club was a tool for stimulating interest in math. Lisa Ducommun, 12, commented, "It helped me become a better student."

By working outside of class with sponsor Mr. Haupt, Valerie Bertch makes herself a better math club member. Below, Sherry Davis and Brenda Bond, seniors, prepare for a meet on the bus.



The members of math club are the leaders in the math department. Their sponsors this year were George Morehead and Steve Haupt. Members of math club for 1990-91 are: front-back, Joshua Gary, Kelly Sink, Rupal Bhakta, Barbi Owens, Valerie Bertch, Till Bertram, Steven Farrell, Lisa Ducommun, Richard Williamson, Beth Schnackenberg, Sherry Davis, Brenda Bond, Lori Mugg, Doug Wilson, Greg Brown, and Chrystal Acton.



Math club members spend extra hours working. Till Bertram, 12, has the diligence to be a successful member.

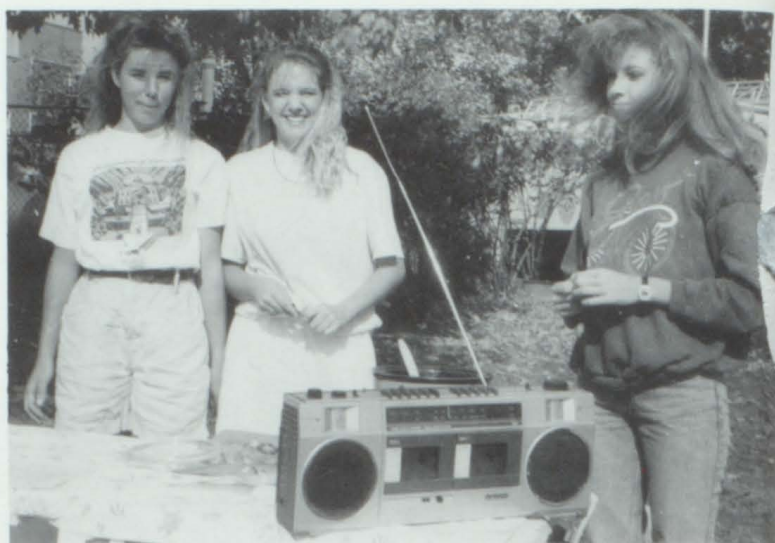
BUILDERS CLUB

Builders Club provides the opportunity for students to make personal contributions to their school and community. Students have the chance to develop leadership skills, cooperation skills and build strong moral character. This club encourages loyalty to school, community, and nation.

The members work together to help meet the needs of the school. This is accomplished through volunteer services of members. The members experience the feeling of making a difference in their school and community not only for others but themselves. Their activities were: International Reading Booth at the Fall Festival and booth at a carnival to raise money for the Cerebral Palsy Center, a food drive for KBTN Food Basket Brigade, and many other activities.

Builders Club is sponsored by Kiwanis and the high school Key Club. The members of Builders Club are encouraged to join Key Club at the high school level. Builders Club had been in progress for two years and will have approximately 40 members next year.

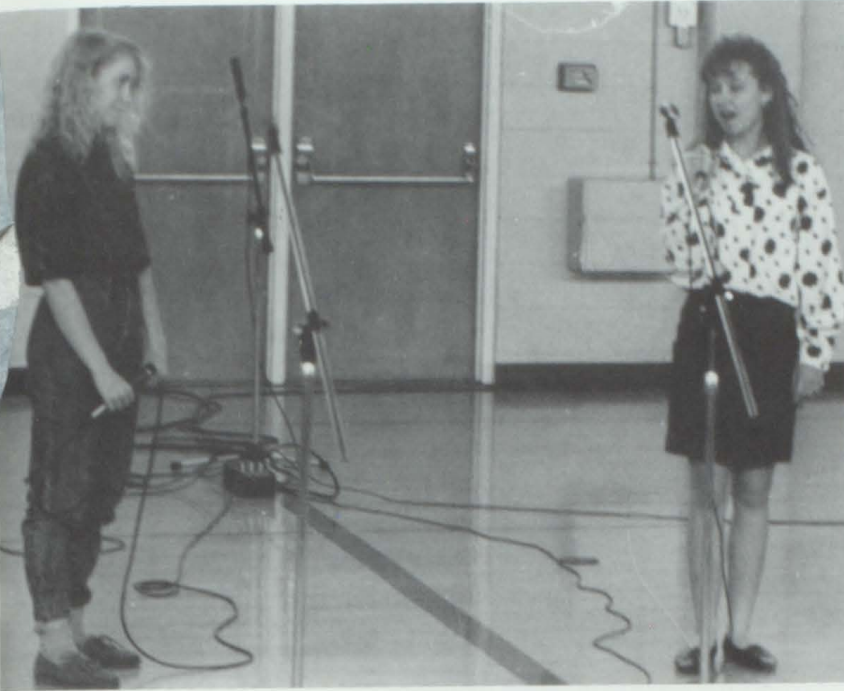
Amie Wood, 9, Jennifer Thompson, 9, and Heather Green, 9, have a stick job selling caramel apples at the carnival.



Eighth grade members are: N. Blevens, T. Condict, A. Hailey, M. Macy, K. Marty, M. Olson, J. Patterson, S. Tallon, B. Bond, J. Brookman, C. Clark, M. Compton, C. Farrell, J. Foster, E. Griffith, A. Goldsworthy, P. Jones, C. Renneer, N. Lay, C. LeMaster, A. McFarland, A. Moore, S. Neece, A. Nielson, S. Rader, E. Rogers, W. Rug, S. Scroggins, D. Slinkard, and R. Wells. Ninth grade members are: J. Begey, H. Green, T. Henderson, A. McCullough, G. Smith, B. Treadwell, A. Wylie, B. Blackwell, N. Brattin, B. Briggs, J. Butler, C. Chestnut, V. Copeland, A. Creamer, A. Crum, C. Daspit, S. Day, R. Dickey, E. Dobbs, J. Hood, C. Janss, W. Kelly, M. Kissel, J. Krambeck, L. Miller, J. Moreno, M. Norris, T. Perkins, J. Richmond, M. Rodriguez, A. Silence, J. Stipp, C. Tessmer, J. Thompson, A. Wood, B. Williams, and A. Miller.

JHSTUCO

This past year Junior High Student Council worked along with the student body as well as their Partner in Education, Lazy-Boy, in a successful effort to raise money for many worthwhile causes. Concession stands at ball games and dances were two of the most successful projects. The student council also showed support for our troops in Saudia Arabia by sponsoring Red, White, and Blue Day.



At the talent show sponsored by student council, Naomi Jordan and Natalie Brattin sing a duet for the student body.



The council relied on faculty members and sponsors for chaperones to dances, above, Mr. Dickinson and Ms. Martin at a dance.



1990-91 Jr. High Student Council: E. Ellis, S. Tallon, C. Wolfe, M. Olson, C. Tessmer, A. Kendrick, S. Charlton, M. Reynolds, K. Marty, H. Green, A. Moore, A. Silence, J. Patterson, N. Blevins, A. Goldsworthy, J. Darden, H. Norman, J. Merideth, A. Becknell, B. Blackwell, J. Hughes, C. Chestnut.

ROTC TAKES OFF!

"It was one of the most productive of the years I have been involved in ROTC," states Brandy Renfro, 1st semester commanding officer. The ROTC program has indeed done well in the 1990-1991 school year. The Reserve Officer Training Corps is a military based program that allows students to experience some parts of the armed service and learn about different areas, also. The classes available at Neosho are the Air Force units. They can be taken for science credit with one credit awarded for two years.

Many interesting things can be learned in the areas of flight history, space exploration, or other aerospace subjects. The ROTC unit is also an active organization. They host a Dining In, and Military Ball every year and other activities include dances, rappelling trips, orienteering activities, and camping. Services to the school are also a part of ROTC with those projects being flag raising at football games and basketball games, changing the marquis in front of the school and keeping it current, and operating concession stands throughout the year.

Just as the ROTC program has a lot to offer the school, the program also has a lot to offer each student. Josh Shields (11), says about the unit, "At first I was hesitant about what my friends would think. But as the year went by, I realized that the skills and leadership I was learning was what really mattered."

One of ROTC program's purposes is to help inform and to educate. Right, two students go over a part in the skit about patriotism presented to the elementary school children. Dennis Johnson (11) appears to be representing one of the Founding Fathers, while Brandy Renfro (12) makes sure he knows his lines.



At the annual ROTC Dining-In, Ann Moser thanks the guest speaker, Jeannine Evans, left, for relating her fascinating experience with the corps. Ms. Evans, a teacher from Webb City, was a member of the group that went to the Russian Space Flight Center last year.

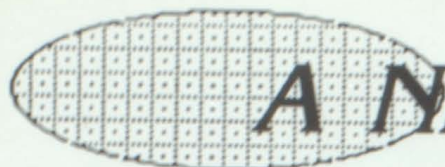
The ROTC was involved in many troop support rallies and projects for Operation Desert Storm. In February, along with Key Club they hosted a prayer service and flag raising ceremony for the men and women in Saudi Arabia. Stephanie Theas (11), Brad Sumter (11), and Andrew Hobson (11) present the colors with pride.



Joel Smith (11) practices spinning maneuvers with his gun for drill team to improve his skills for the upcoming meet. Below, with a first place trophy, the NHS Drill team shows just how good it feels when work and determination pay off. They competed at many drill meets in the area and quite a few of the members attended the leadership camp in Knob Noster at Whiteman Air Force Base.



Raising the flag every morning at NHS is something the ROTC has done for years. Left, members of the team put up 'Old Glory' at the Benton School dedication.



A NEW SOUND AT NHS

THE NHS vocal music department has a new choral director in Michelle Mitchell pictured below.



Each year Mr. and Miss Cecilian are chosen as individuals without whom choir would not be the same. They are: left, Rebecca Wentworth and Jeff Werneke. Right are alternates Brian Evans and Andrea Hunter.



Neosho High School was known throughout the area for excellence in vocal music. This tradition has been carried on this year with the addition of choral director Michelle Mitchell; she too was once a member of NHS choirs.

Two sopranos from Neosho auditioned for and were named to State Honor Choir. Rebecca Wentworth was first all-state, and Monica Brown was alternate.

Each spring the choirs prepare for district contest. The Cecilian Choir received a II rating overall. Several soloists and ensemble groups received I ratings and went on to state. Soloist receiving I ratings at districts were: Shane McCollough, Chris Farrell, Brain Sparks and Amy Rader. The trio of Beth Schnackenberg, Jenny Boylan, and Amy Rader also received a I rating at districts. Three soloists and an ensemble earned I ratings at state. State competitions take many hours of rigorous practice, dedication, and work. The octet of Rebecca Wentworth, Becky Briggs, Stefanie Jones, Kim Marion, Shane McCollough, Brian Sparks, Chris Farrell, and Jeff Werneke earned I ratings at both district and state as well as soloists Rebecca Wentworth, Monica Brown, and Andrea Hunter. Congratulations to all winners!



Cecilian Choir: B. Briggs, S. Mosby, D. Dahnke, G. Brown, B. Smith, B. Evans, A. Fowler, J. Werneke, R. House, T. Sandoval, B. Rigdon, J. Boylan, S. Jones, A. Rader, L. Thomas, T. Williams, T. Smith, A. Schumaker, J. Finley, A. Hansen, C. Farrell, S. McCullough, J. Trenary, B. Bond, M. Phelps, R. Wentworth, M. Brown, M. Bunch, A. Hunter, J. Adams, J. Beier, B. Evans, T. Martin, P. Mahaffey, B. Rasmussen, K. Marion, J. Barker, H. Cholka, T. Henry, T. Farley, D. Snyder, C. Young, C. Kimbley, B. Schnackenberg, S. Huddelson, D. Bramblett. Below, members of Concert Choir seem to be hard at work practicing for the spring concert.



Choreography is done by the students and Mrs. Mitchell to enhance the songs they perform. End positions, as seen in the picture above, take time and patience to make them perfect.

Neosho High School is known throughout the southwest Missouri region for its excellence in music. Choraleers, Neosho's show choir, has exemplified their excellence through its many talented individuals and their performances.

Choraleers had many disappointments last year in that many of their scheduled trips and competitions were cancelled due to inclement weather. Although there were disappointments, members of choraleers gained knowledge of music and musical performance.

Choraleers would like to thank Trey Sandoval for the time he spent as an extra helping take the place of absent members.



The accompaniment for choraleers is performed by students. They are: Jeremy Wilman, guitar, Tim Williams, drums, Rebecca Wentworth, piano, and Matt Winegardner, bass guitar.



Choraleers are: back to front, Jason Trenary, Andrea Hunter, Jeff Werneke, Jason Beier, Stefanie Jones, Stephanie Huddelson, Aaron Fowler, Monica Brown, Brian Sparks, Chris Farrell, Amy Rader, Brian Evans, Tracy Martin, Kim Marion, Shane McCullough, Stacie Mosby, and Chad Young.



WCB EXPRESSES PRIDE

During the 1990-91 school year the Wildcat Band expressed their pride in being "The Pride of the Ozarks." Through many hot and humid rehearsals in the summer, which began in early August, they managed to maintain their reputation with dignity. Marching along to "Acclamation", "Rock On!", and "Zacata", the band showed what many hours of hard work, determination, and sweat could do.

The band also had a different look this year. New show flags of metallic silver, gold, and black added flare to the flag corp's many routines.

The Tulsa State Fair Parade was an event that was always looked forward to by members. Here the band marched its way to a second division rating overall in class 3A schools. This was one of the many honors and awards which were received by the band members.

Being in Wildcat Band was different than being in other organizations for many students. Many felt bonded as a dedicated group of friends that were brought together by music and laughter. This was all headed by Mr. James Kelso who provided the strong musical leadership needed for a successful year.



Seniors: Michelle Arnce, Kevin Bartley, Jason Beier, Brenda Bond, Bruce Caouette, Shelly Clouse, Justin Crawford, Sherry Davis, Terri Gillispie, Tracy Goins, Brandie Hall, Tim Hobbs, Kim Hund, Aaron Jones, Bud Lewis, Mary Livingston, Callie Morse, Lori Mugg, Jeff Sarratt, Rhett Wellington, Laura Wheelan, Tim Williams, Wendy Williamson, Stephanie Wince, James Wylie, Patti Wylie. Juniors: Donald Boman, Jennifer Charles, John Clanton, Tonna Condict, Melissa Crumbliss, Jeff Deneffrio, Chris Farrell, Jonathon Gray, Eloise Hagar, Michele Head, Chris Meredith, Stewart Munson, Matt Neustal, Julianna Osborn, Barbie Owens, Crystal Patterson, Ester Reid, Tommy Riddle, Steve Ruddick, Matt Sappington, Brian Schibi, Richard Shadwick, Leslie Stout, Matt Tignor, Mandy Vance, Deborah Watson, Bobby Williams, Charlie Williams. Sophomores: Jana Barker, Jason Barnett, Seth Berry, Ray Blackburn, Kristi Browning, Christy Bryant, Jason Carnes, Kevin Cherry, Justin Ernest, Jason Flynn, Angela Gabriel, Carl Garrison, Jana Green, Sarah Hansen, Chris Hardy, Susan Hartgrave, Randy Hobart, Chad Hodkin, Samantha Hund, Eric Inman, Stacy Jackson, Gretchen Jobe, Melissa Lawson, James Medlock, Chris Morrow, Craig Peacher, Jennifer Phillips, Candy Pilkenton, Sonda Plant, Steve Ramsey, Tammy Reed, David Tartar, Kenny Wells. Freshmen: Richard Brown, Faith Horne, Frankie Loncarich, Shawn Sherlock, Joseph Sparks, Rustin Weston, Brian Williams, Amy Wynn

Left: Seniors Mary Livingston and Brenda Bond find it hard not to smile as they goof off. Below right: Justin Crawford (12) and Jonathan Gray (11) wait to entertain the football fans.

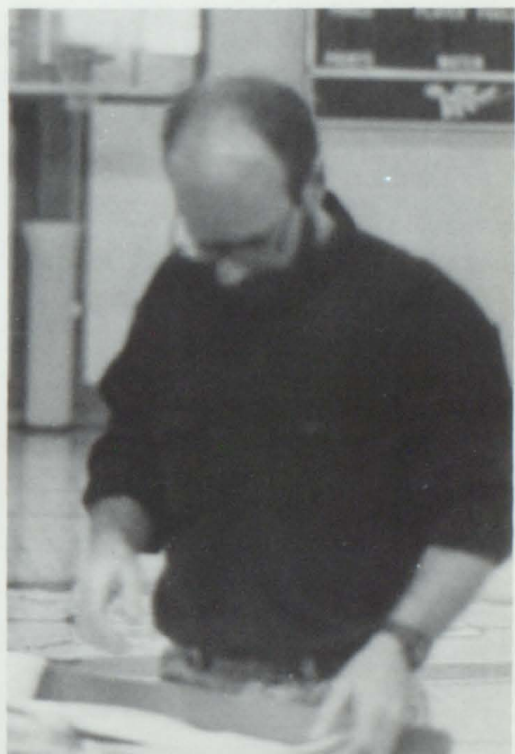


Musically gifted students from area schools travel each year to try out for concert or honor bands at MSSC. Those chosen to be participants for these bands go up the following day to practice for that night's performance. Only the best and most talented are combined for the concert band. This year's concert band participants were: Steve Ramsey (10), Barbie Owens (11), Brenda Bond (12), and Walter Hager (11).

This year's honor band participants were: Richard Shadwick, John Clanton, James Wylie, Jonathon Gray, Rebecca Wentworth, and Eloise Hager.

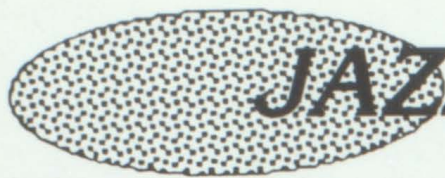
Below: When the Wildcat football team has won the game, it is tradition for the band members to wear their hats backwards. Here, at the first victorious home game, the band has fun sporting their "new look". Being drum major takes dedication as well as musical talent. Left, Drum Major Patti Wylie proudly leads the band in the Fall Festival Parade.

Jason Flynn, sophomore, stands with his trombone at attention and hopes he doesn't forget any of his music while waiting for the signal to begin the next number.



It's a good thing everyone doesn't get a music score like Mr. Kelso.





JAZZ BAND DAZZLES

Of Neosho Jazz Band by Seth Berry

*Music is ringing
Across the land;
It's the unique rhythm
Of the Neosho Jazz Band.*

*Ballads and sambas;
We play them all grand.
There's no greater pride than
Of the Neosho Jazz Band.*

*In come the one ratings
Of the ten year span.
We're carrying on the tradition
Of Neosho Jazz Band.*

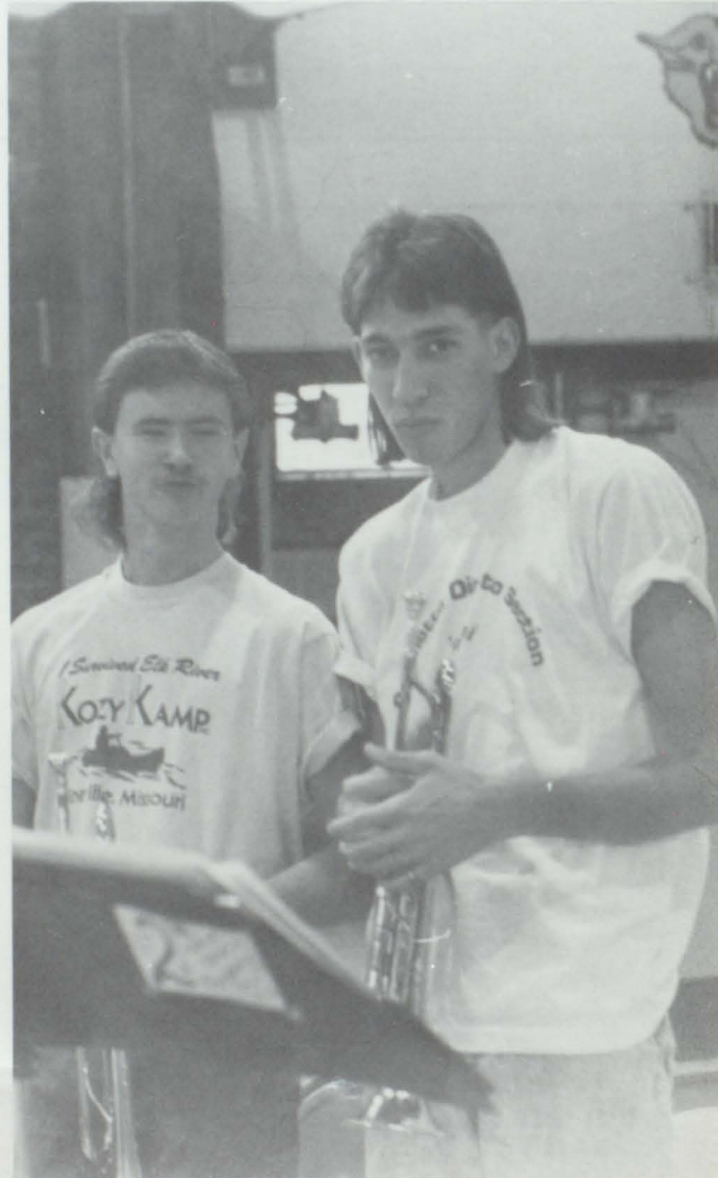
Over half of the NHS Jazz ensemble were recognized as being honor band members. This year's honor band consisted of a troupe of fine, outstanding members.



Jazz band members for the 90-91 school year were: back, Tim Williams, Matt Winegardner, Dave Tartar, Justin Crawford, Seth Berry, Carl Garrison, Chris Morrow, Bud Lewis, Chris Meredith, Aaron Jones, Kevin Bartley; middle, Brian Schibi, Jeff Denefrio, James Wylie, Jason Flynn; front, Jeremy Willman, Chris Farrell, Jennifer Charles, John Clanton, Richard Shadwick, Rebecca Wentworth. Not pictured, Patti Wylie.



Right, James Wylie (12) and John Clanton (11) trade fifths during the Yearbook Assembly. Far right, although they are serious about jazz band, seniors Aaron Jones and Kevin Bartley show a different side and blow you a kiss.



ORCHESTRA



Sometimes you just have to take a break! Can you image holding one of these instruments in position all hour everyday? Jim Crawford and Amy Jordan look as though they've had enough for one day.



When involved in any type of music, it is important to have a good ear. Billy Sallee listens carefully, waiting for his cue to come in.



Jennifer Quick received her third year letter for participation in orchestra this year.

Directed by Stephen Widder, the orchestra gave many excellent performances and received outstanding ratings at music festivals and contests. They presented a Christmas concert, a Spring concert and toured each area elementary school presenting a concert that the children really enjoyed. At the NEO performance and the College of the Ozarks Music Festival the orchestra was awarded a I Rating. Many individual members received I and II Ratings at the various competitions. Amy Merrill, Katie Scott and Bridget Macy were selected for the SMSU-Springfield Honors Orchestra.



Orchestra members front row: Bridget Macy and Katie Scott. Row 2: Amy Merrill, Rhonda Haslip, Monica Brown and Jennifer Quick. Row 3: Debbie Bressie, Valerie Bertch, Amy Jordan, and Teresa Hutchins. Back row: Jim Crawford, Joshua Gary, Chris Lay, and Ben Neuenswander. Not pictured: Billy Sallee, Melanie Whiteside, and Ron Cole.



JR. HIGH SHOWS TALENT

When students are asked at the end of fourth grade whether they want to be in band or not, many kids don't know how to reply. Those students that have practiced for two years and have made it in to the Black and Gold Band are the dedicated ones that have the talent and desire to become the best.

Several students are really excited to be a part of the music program in band. Lena Reynolds (9) says, "It is just a lot of fun to be a member of a group like this. You feel good about yourself when you have memorized a song." Ashlea Sexton (9), drum major-ette, is proud of the Black and Gold Band this year. "We have improved a lot. My favorite part of the year was during marching season for football games."



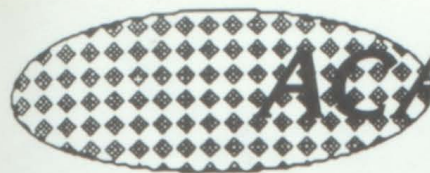
One highlight of being a band member is being able to march in all the parades throughout the year. 1990-1991 marks the first year that the Junior High band was able to have a flag corps. Flag girls are important because they keep the attention of the crowd focused on the band. Above, the Black and Gold band marches around the square with pride.



Being in Junior High means getting a taste of a social life by attending football games. Band members are lucky because they don't have to sweet talk parents into letting them go to all the games.



In Jr. High, taking a band class and finding time to practice can seem overwhelming. In order to learn all the notes and memorize music, plenty of time has to be spent hard at work. These students, all seventh and eighth graders worked hard this year to learn the required music for their performances.



ACADEMIC CHALLENGES

When people think of school teams competing, sports are the type of team most people think of. For a group of NHS students, competition is in another form: an academic challenge.

A group of eight students from Neosho spent many hours of practice and competition at the Empire Electric Academic Challenge. This event is held annually at MSSC, and features teams from over 25 area schools. Each team answers questions from all aspects of school curriculum, general knowledge, and trivia. Neosho took second at the event for the second year in a row.



Top, the Empire Academic Challenge team consists of: back row, Sherry Davis, Andy Hansen, and Becky Briggs; front row, Krista McGruder, Valerie Bertch, and Brad Sumter. Not pictured: Sarah Hansen and Ben Rigdon. Below, winners of the 1991 NHS intramural academic bowl are: Krista McGruder, Michael Mailes, Brent Mailes, Aaron Coleman, and Scott Jenkins.



As coordinator of the academic bowl, Mr. Roger Sides spent, above, many hours in before and after school practices.



One member the team couldn't have done without was Ben Rigdon. His wide range of knowledge has been an asset since his sophomore year.

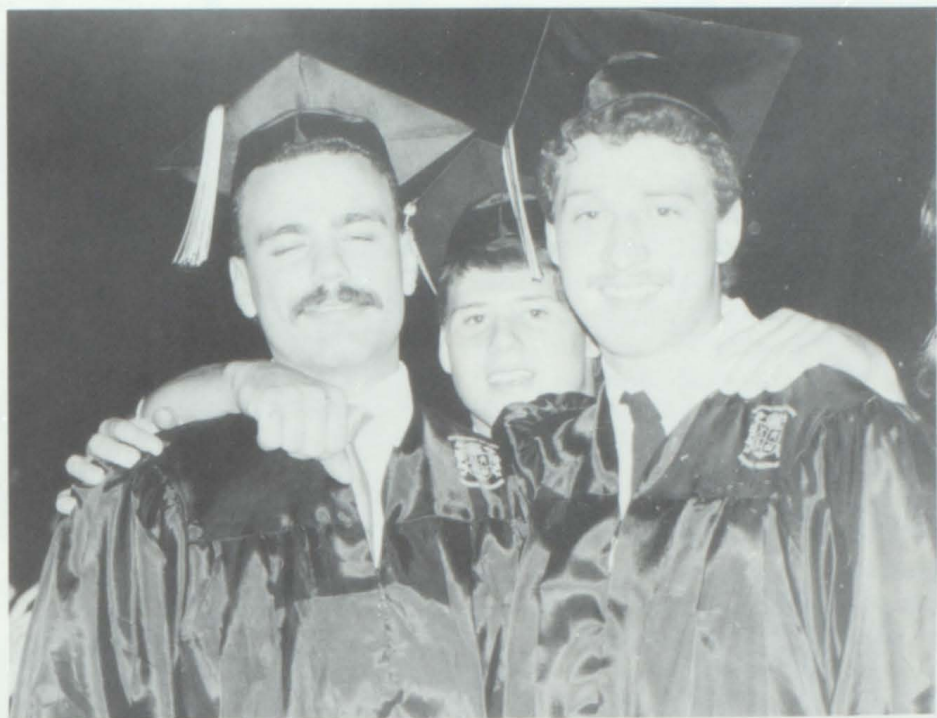
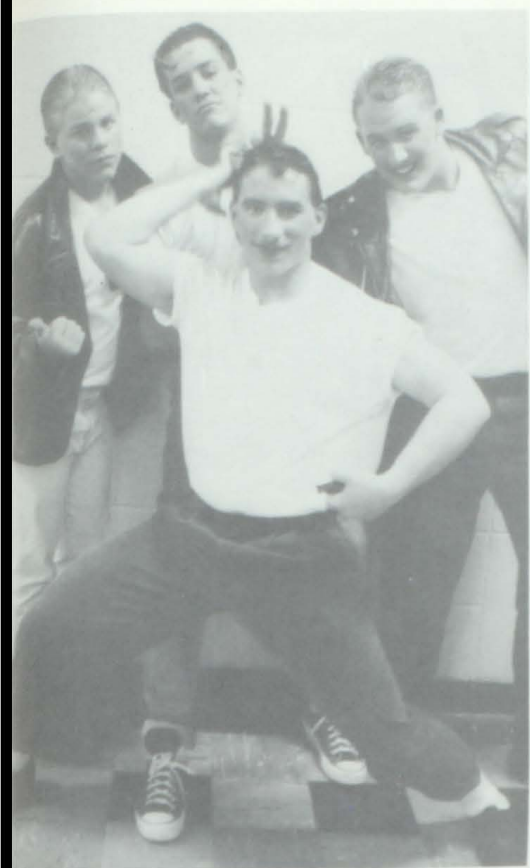
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Plays let you be

someone else and that makes life more interesting and more fun. Even those that are not acting, but take on the responsibilities of the set designs, makeup, lights and props feel like a part of something different from the everyday routine. "Grease," a play by Jim Jacobs and Warren Casey, was a play about high school students in the 50's. The parts were easy for NHS students to relate to, yet were allowed to do crazy things and dress like a completely different person. The Pink Ladies and the Burger Palace Boys stayed together through thick and thin.



"Vogue for us!", says Matt Tignor, Andy Hansen, Nathan Bressie, Curt Gilstrap, and Nick Hays.

David Watkins directed the play, Michelle Mitchell directed the music and choreography and Monica Brown was the accompanist. Many students helped with the various crews, some doubled up and played a part in the play. Band members included John Clanton, Chris Farrell, Jeremy Willman, Matt Winegardner, and Dave Tartar.

Far right: Eugene, Brian Sparks, looks like a character that's hard to describe. Certainly the appropriate look for his part in "Grease". Right: The cool Ken-ickie, Kent Caudell, looks like a real lady killer. No wonder Sandy couldn't resist him. Below: Stephanie Hudelson, Curt Gilstrap, Melissa Crumbliss, and Nathan Bressie in, "The Omelet Murder Case." Stephanie looks like she just might need a little help from someone with some special training. Students enjoyed participating in this comedy. Mrs. Neilson, director, felt that students worked hard to make the plays work and to be able to pull off the punch line just right for the perfect comedy.





Above: A scene from "A Point of View." Auntie, Andrea Hunter, plays the bed-fast, elderly aunt who spends her time manipulating her nieces into doing her bidding. Above right: Nathan Bressie, Kent Caudell, and Aaron Miller wear the leather jackets and slicked back hair that made the 50's famous. Kent Caudell played Kenickie, Nathan and Aaron played two of the Burger Palace Boys gang members. Right: Rebecca Wentworth looks like she's seen something very scary. No, it wasn't the sight of Andy Hansen that did that to her hair. Actually it was on purpose as part of her character in "Grease". It was fun learning the music, making the sets, and dressing up in the 50's styles. Since many students were familiar with the movie it made it that much easier to get into the various roles.



Far left: In the "Taming of the Shrew", Petruchio, Andy Hansen wonders how he ever managed to get such a wife! Katherina, Pam Gates, just doesn't behave like other wives of the Shakespearean Era. Thank heavens this is only a play. Left: Roger, Aaron Miller, reminds us all of Fonzie. The curl in the middle of the forehead is just too much.

Linda Neilson directed a trio of plays with more than 20 students participating. The first hour drama class was the set crew. The plays included: "A Point of View," by David Compton; "The Omelet Murder Case," by Tim Kelly; and "The Taming of the Shrew," by William Shakespeare.

"UNCHAINED MELODY"

*Time, flowin' like a river,
Time, couldn't be.
Who knows when we shall meet again,
if ever.
But time keeps flowin' like a river,
to the sea . . .*

This year's prom was held on Saturday, April 27, from 9:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m. The theme was simply "Heaven" and the colors were royal blue, light blue, and white. The "Unchained Melody" was chosen as the theme song. Prom is the Junior Class' gift to the Senior class. They worked hard to make the night a very memorable occasion and they did a great job. The attire worn by students was very impressive.

Right: Jennifer Ogle and Chad Granger were voted as Prom Queen and King. Below: The newly crowned Queen Jennifer and King Chad are accompanied by the other candidates Lori Mugg, Andy Nimmo, Wiley Sims, and Missy Phelps. Students attending the prom were given ballots early in the evening to select these candidates.



Above: Chris Farrell and Mary Ann Livingston seem to enjoying themselves as they dance to a slow song. Left: Mo'ca Brown, Brian Sparks, and Shane McCullough take a bre and enjoy watching others dance.



Heath Lewis and Jaymey Nelson and below, Barbara Tallon and Andy Corkery dance to the theme song.



Two devoted juniors, Shanna Ferguson and Mindy Marble help to hang the last four streamers. It sure was tough being out of classes all day.



Lower left: Long Dang seems to be taking his job real seriously! Below: Gary Bond shows off his out-of-town date. It looks like his one lucky guy! Students really enjoy being able to invite the person of their choice to prom. Above: Kristi Browning and Monica Brown move with the beat.



Goodbye, My love, maybe forever.
Goodbye, My love, the time waits for me.
Who knows when we shall meet again, if ever.

But time keeps flowin' like a river,
on
and on,
To the sea, to the sea.

Till it's gone forever.
Time.

By Eric Woollson and Alan Parsons

Yearbook Royalty

On April 16, 1991, Missy Phelps was crowned the 1991 Neosho High School Yearbook Queen. Missy was escorted by Matt Jarrett. Other Senior Queen Candidates were: Wendy Byrum escorted by Chad Granger and Lauri Mills escorted by Wiley Sims.

Members of the junior and sophomore classes voted for three attendants. They were as follows: juniors Keli Beaver, Chyna Henson, and Leslie Stout; sophomores Katy Marble, Misty

Moon, and Ellen Poor.

Escorts were chosen for the attendants. They were juniors Long Dang, Dan Dunham, Branden Smith, and Chad Young; and sophomores Jon Gatwood, David Nichols, and Travis Welch.

The Yearbook Assembly was not only a time for the crowning of the queen. Members of the Yearbook Staff dedicated the 1991 NEOHIMO Yearbook to Mrs. Nancy Rugh, Jr. High

Assistant Principal, who was also honored at the assembly. The staff also recognized advisor, Mrs. Cindy Branscum, for all of her help. The Neosho High School Jazz Ensemble performed during the second half and closed the assembly. This was one of the only times the band played exclusively for the student body. They performed many arrangements which catered to a variety of musical tastes.



1991 Yearbook Queen, Missy Phelps

Senior Queen Candidate, Wendy Byrum



Senior Queen Candidate, Lauri Mills

Junior Attendant, Keli Beaver



Junior Attendant, Chyna Henson



Junior Attendant, Leslie Stout



Back, escorts l-r: Travis Welch, Branden Smith, Chad Young, Wiley Sims, Matt Jarrett, Chad Granger, Long Dang, David Nichols, and Jon Gatwood. Front, attendants and candidates l-r: Misty Moon, Leslie Stout, Keli Beaver, Lauri Mills, Missy Phelps, Wendy Byrum, Chyna Henson, Katy Marble, and Ellen Poor.



Sophomore Attendant, Katy Marble



Sophomore Attendant, Misty Moon



Sophomore Attendant, Ellen Poor

CLASS of 1991



The Board of Education and Administration are proud to present the Graduating Class of 1991.



Mr. Max Ruhl, Speaker, serves as Chair of the Dept. of Educ. Admin. at NMSU in Maryville.



Classmates and the audience give Ronald Cole a big round of applause for achieving the honor of Valedictorian of his class.



Mr. Steve Haupt spoke on being honest with yourself at the senior assembly.

Dawnett Ray, Jerry Graffis, Darleen Geasland, Michelle Slawter, and Brandy Renfro are so happy the big day is finally here and over!





Since the old tradition of throwing hats has gone by the wayside, NHS seniors toss confetti in the air celebrating their graduation. It was a great day for these students!



There's much to be happy about and Marie Strohl, Kory Gilstrap, and Kerry Prater are proud of it.



Darren Goodman, Deana Gourley, and Jerry Graffis take the moment seriously.



Tona Broady, Lora Brodie, and Kristine Brooks have front row seats for graduation.

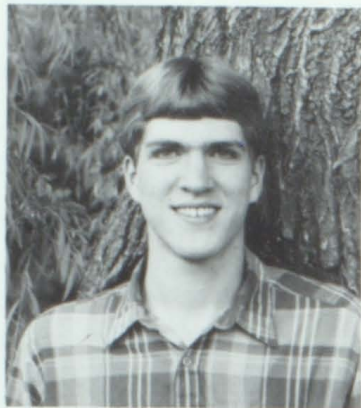


Left: It's time to move those tassels! Left below: Brandi Cook really gives her companions, Jennifer Sexton and Shelly Clouse a crazy look. I guess that's what being a senior does to you. Below: Bridget Macy, Nick Macy, and Paula Mahaffey look for the right camera in the audience. There are so many red lights flashing on video cameras and flashes going off, it's hard to tell which parent is yours.



CLASS of 1991

The valedictorian for 1991 was Ronald Cole, the son of Carol Cole and graduating with a grade point average of 3.98. Ronald plans to attend Crowder College this fall and major in drafting and design. He has this to say about N.H.S., "I feel that N.H.S. is one of the best high schools in the area and that people can receive a good education that prepares them for college."



Sherry Davis 1991 salutatorian, the daughter of Martin and Judy Davis and graduating with a GPA of 3.89. Sherry plans to attend Hendrix College in Conway, Arkansas majoring in math. We asked how she felt about entering the "real world", "Although I will miss the friends and memories I've made at NHS, I can't wait to go to college and make new friends. NHS has prepared me well to face the "real world" and its challenges."



Doug Wilson

Terri Gillispie

Tammy Farley

Jenny Boylan

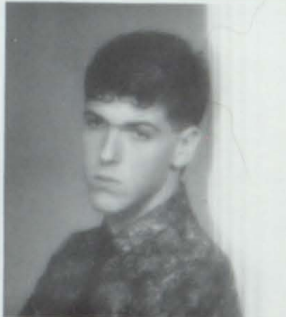


Lisa Ducommun

Becky Briggs

Spring McGraw

Andy Hansen



Kim Marion

Rupal Bhakta

Teresa Watts

Curt Gilstrap



Michael Mailes

Lauri Mills

Paula Mahaffey

Barbara Rasmussen



Missy Phelps

Lori Mugg



Lynnette Lucas and Paul Kercheval decide to pass on the green beans.



Tricia Jones walks away proudly with a door prize. The last mug!

SENIOR BANQUET



How is Gusto suppose to make it in the real world if he's going to need Rhonda Haslip to tie his tie?



Mike Doughty looks ready to graduate and go straight to Wall Street!



Hard listeners at this table! Jenny Testerman, Devin Bramblett, Mikaela Englund, and Kim Hund

The Senior Banquet was at the Neosho Inn. The occasion provided an opportunity for seniors to enjoy an evening of fun, fellowship, and good food. The senior choraleers provided entertainment. Brian Evans was the only male voice in the group and honored the audience with a brief solo. Nice voice! Rebecca Wentworth and Amy Rader performed solos and a duet was sung by Kim Marion and Amy Rader. Emily Blackwell drew names for prizes. Too bad there weren't more picture albums!



Tim Fox received an attendance award, but he's still glad to be graduating.



Kim Marion and Devin Bramblett sing with the choraleers in a farewell song.

On May 17th the class of 1991 continued the tradition that Neosho has had for many years of painting the hill. This is a privilege that every senior looks forward to, because it is a way for each person to leave his or her mark. The painting of the hill is a very special time for it is when many memories are made that will last a lifetime.

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Being in shape turned out to be an advantage for Katie Scott.



Jacob Neuenswander (12) and friends show how much fun painting the hill can be.



Melinda Tyler takes a break to take a look at how everyone is doing.



Chris Girdner finally gives up to just paint his friends.



Dawn Clouse and Travis Walthall have been friends for a long time, painting senior hill will be another memory they can share forever.



Ben Rigdon shows that it is a dirty job but somebody has to do it.

1991

Neosho Wildcats "MASQUERADE" was the 1991 Project Graduation theme. Thanks to many hours of work put forth by parents and other community members this event is made possible. A special thanks goes to Mrs. Harlan, senior class chairman, for her extra efforts in making this possible. Students certainly enjoyed a fun evening and the drawings for prizes. The big prize went to Katie Scott. She was the lucky \$1,000 winner!

Left: Deanna Rush, Justin Crawford, Tina Williams, and Rebecca Wentworth share a fun evening together.

PROJECT



Jenny Testerman, and Teresa Watts get the creeps as they watch a movie.



Waiting in line to get their food are Darleen Geasland, Laura Knight, Sheba Burris, and Angela Morrison.

GRADUATION 91



Anna McCool and Leslie Roy seem to be happy campers!



Brandie Hall seems to have inhaled some laughing gas. Who wants to be serious on graduation night anyway?



Tracy Goins, Brenda Bond, and Stephanie Wince enjoy feeding their faces. Thanks for the great food!



Hey! What are those juniors doing here? Terri Gillispie and Patti Wylie probably know the reason.

EXPRESSIONS OF OUR WORLD



In the early hours of August 2, 1990 following negotiations and promises by Iraq's dictator, Saddam Hussein, not to use force, a powerful Iraqi army invaded Kuwait. Within three days, 120,000 Iraqi troops with 850 tanks had poured into Kuwait. The U.S. reacted immediately to the invasion, building up a U.S. force well over 500,000 troops and financial support. Pictured at the left are U.S. tanks and troops in the Persian Gulf area.

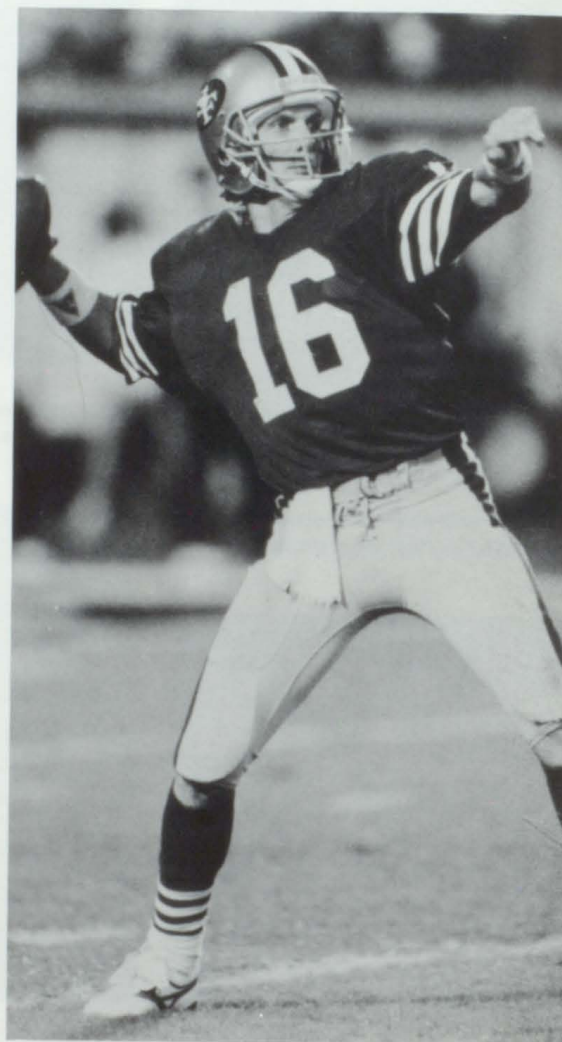
3 a.m. Baghdad time on January 17, 1991, waves of U.S. and allied warplanes crossed the borders of Iraq and Kuwait. In the following weeks, thousands of air strikes were ordered, preparing the way for a massive ground attack.

On Wednesday night President Bush ordered coalition military force to suspend combat attacks at midnight. Thursday, February 28, 1991, exactly 100 hrs. after the ground war began, the war was over.

Bush said, "Kuwait is liberated, Iraq's army is defeated," "the Kuwait flag once again flies above the capital of a free and sovereign nation."

Nolan Ryan can still put plenty of heat on his fastball. And at the age of 43 — in a game dominated by guys half his age — that says something about his lasting abilities. He holds more than 40 major league records, including most no-hitters, most one-hitters and most strikeouts. He has played for the New York Mets, California Angels, Houston Astros and the Texas Rangers.

Far left: In August, 1990, A 34-year-old football player named Joe Montana made history. He negotiated one of the richest contracts in NFL history with the San Francisco 49ers. He would be paid \$13 million over four years. Montana led the 49ers to their fourth Super Bowl victory in the previous season. He has been called the greatest quarterback in the history of football. Shown here leading the 49ers to another victory. Montana has become the standard by which all other quarterbacks are measured.





It was a time of change in Eastern Europe with the rule of the Communist Party being challenged. As the Soviet Union moved towards a market economy, the shortage of food became even more severe. The stores were virtually empty of supplies and there was little hope for a quick solution.

When you're hot, you're hot, and golden girl Madonna has been hot for a long time. The actress, singer and 'material girl' has had hit after hit on the charts. As the 1990-91 school year began, Madonna's latest album, "I'm Breathless" was high on the list, and over the Top 100 Single list, "Hanky Panky" continued its appearance.



On May 16, 1990, the popular puppeteer, Jim Henson, died from pneumonia. During his career he created creatures with timeless appeal. In 1969 Henson's creation's - Kermit, Big Bird and Cookie Monster - first appeared on public TV's Sesame Street. Then, in 1976, the Muppet Show was born!



There she is, Miss America. Marjorie Judith Vincent, Miss Illinois, is a third-year law student at Duke University and wants to practice international law. Miss America 1991 is 25-years-old.



It didn't take Janet Jackson long to find her place in the entertainment world. She skyrocketed to the top in 1990, when she hit it big with "Rhythm Nation 1814."



M.C. Hammer is a 27-year-old rapper from Oakland, Calif., who is really hot. His second album, "Please Hammer Don't Hurt 'Em," sold close to 5 million copies and is one of the few rap albums to land at the top of the pop charts. And when Hammer puts on a show, it's an extravaganza, complete with 32 performers, cutting-edge costumes and some of the flashiest footwork being done on stage today. He's an entertainer, no doubt about it!!

EXPRESS

yourself!

Here it is, the end of your yearbook and finally the end of the 1991 school year! Students have been expressing themselves all year and telling us about their feelings, thoughts and goals.

There were a variety of things that went on while we were all together. World events like Desert Storm captured our attention and national concerns like the U.S. economy made us think about our future careers and where our country was headed. We were entertained by favorite movies like "Dances With Wolves," "Home Alone," and "Pretty Woman," while controversial issues were debated across our nation.

During the final weeks of school many students spent their time daydreaming of plans for the up and coming summer. Hopefully we will see everyone, except of course our seniors, back here again safe and healthy to begin the 1992 school year. With our warmest regards the yearbook staff hopes you have a great summer. We would also like you to remember to always ... **EXPRESS YOURSELF!!**



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