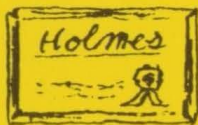




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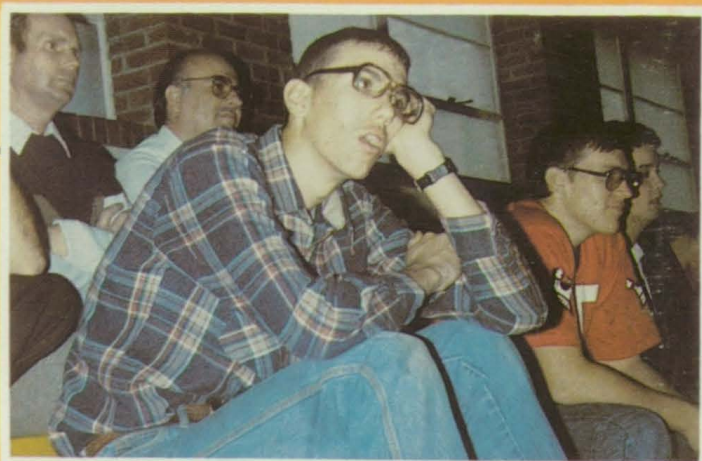
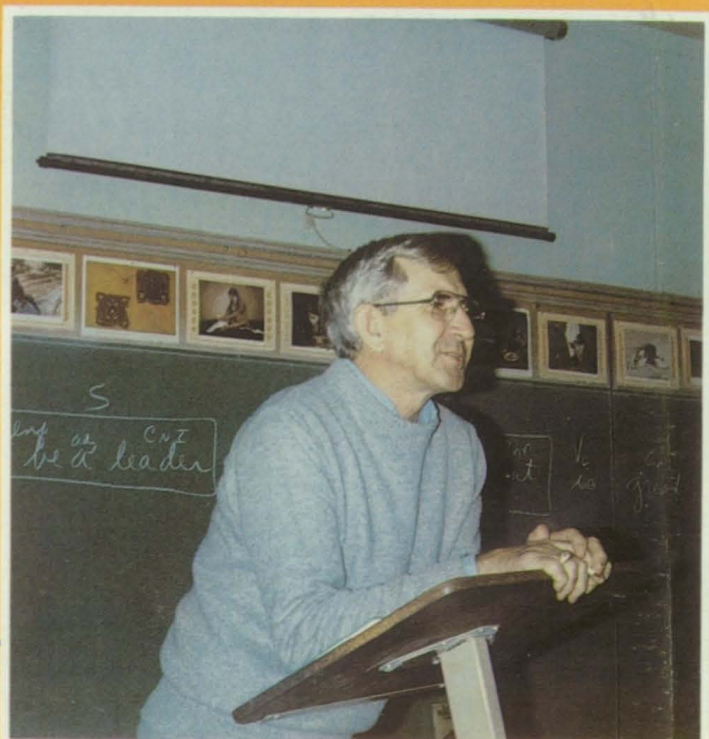
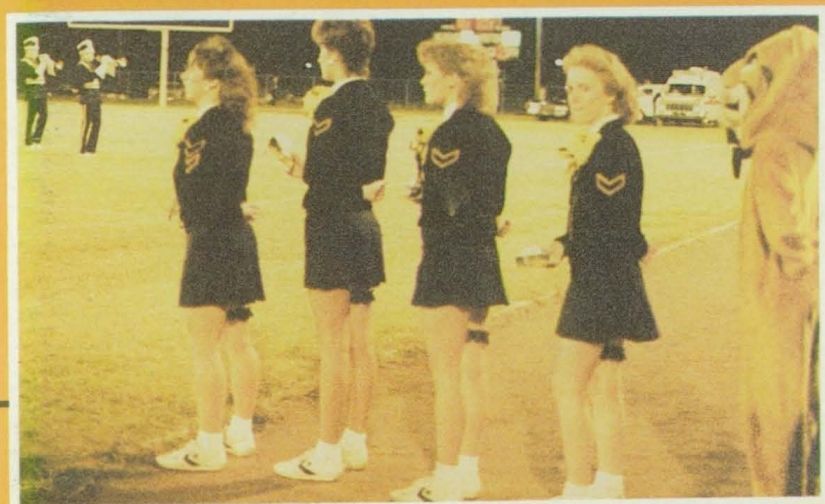
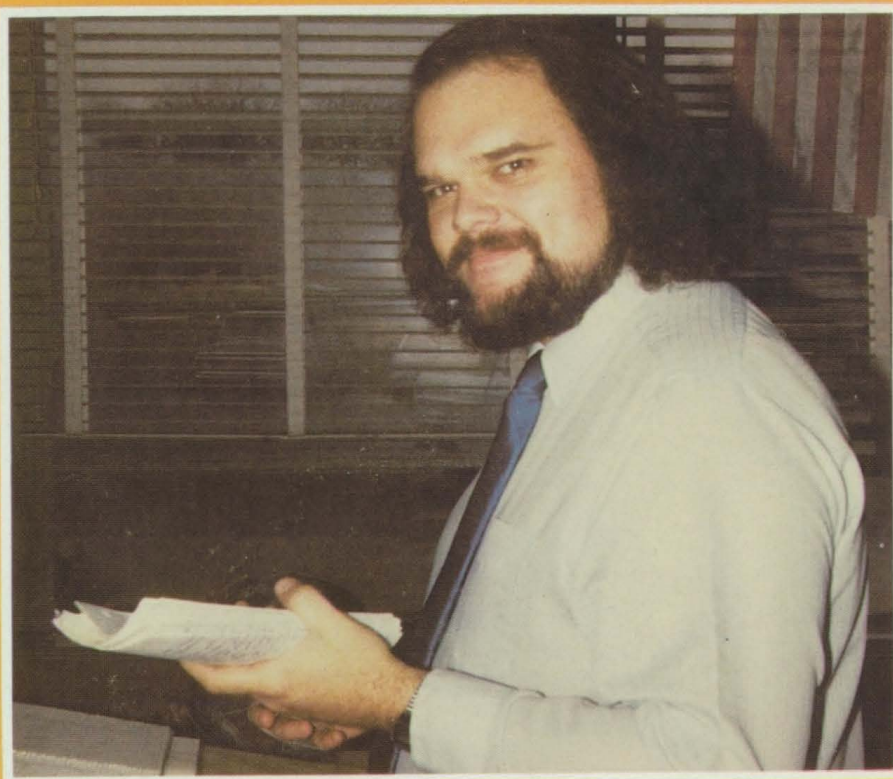
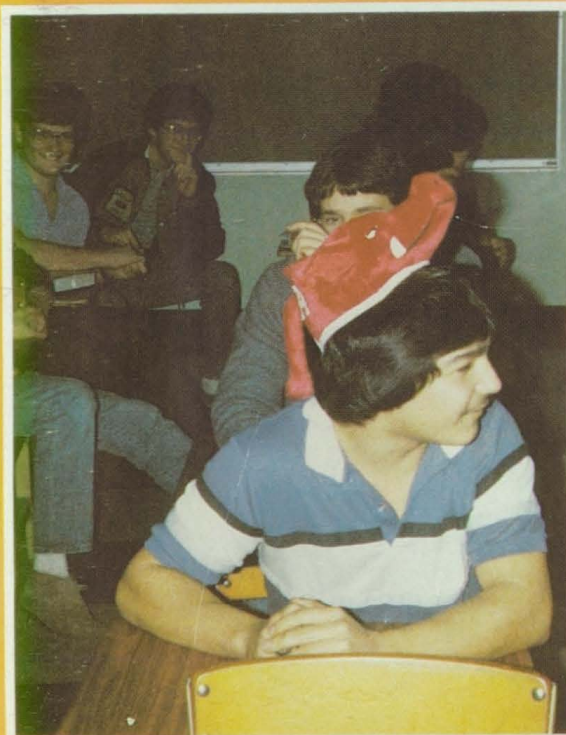
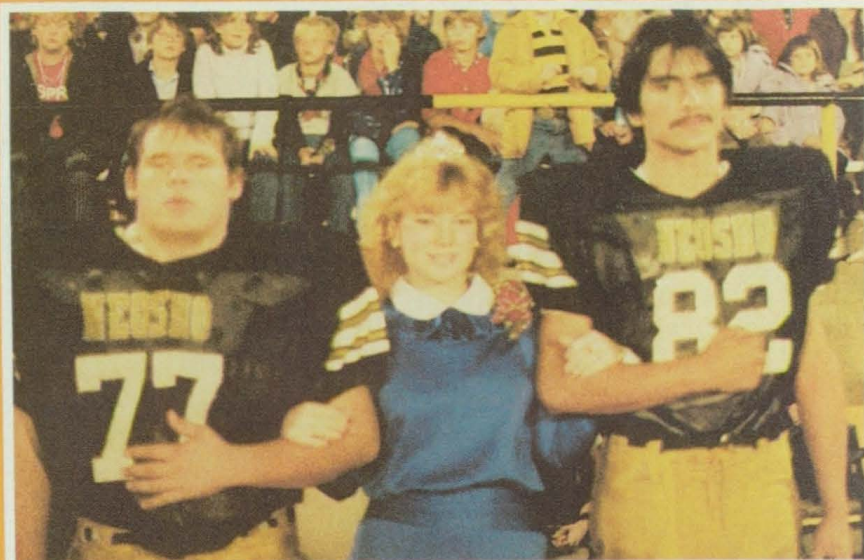
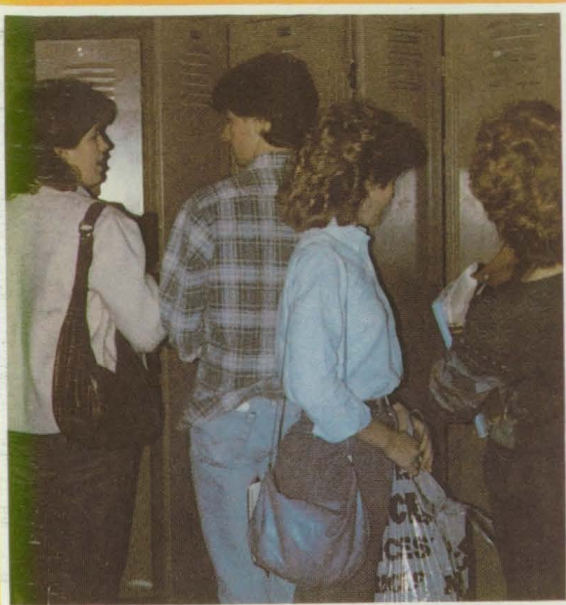


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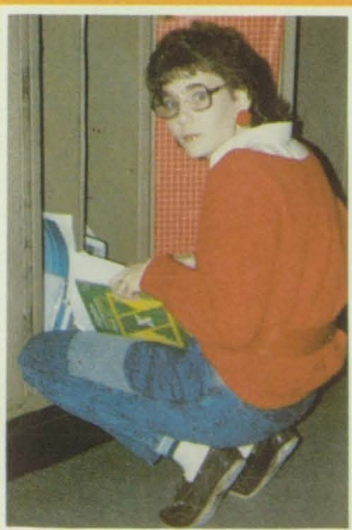
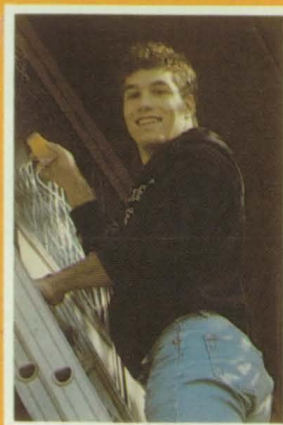
Fun, friendships and new experiences were only some of the things we searched and explored during our high school years. The friends we met soon became a special part of our memories. Everyday school life would not have been the same if we hadn't had our friends there to share the ups and downs with us. As well as getting a good education, we grew and became more independent from our parents. We started by being called a "Frosh" and ended up a "Big Senior woman or man."

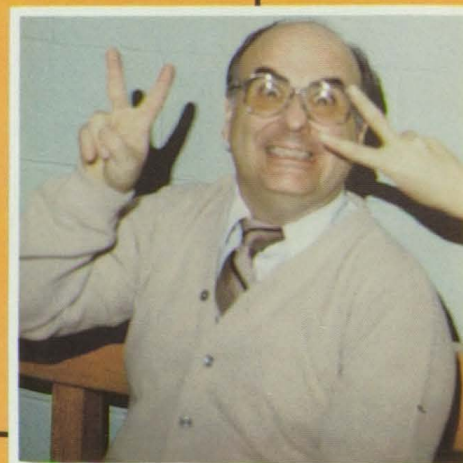
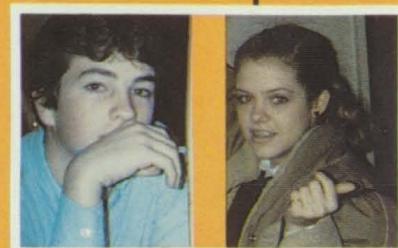
We started high school dating for the first time **in search of** the perfect guy or girl. We took the wheel for the first time for a night out with friends. We had our first big dances and had to meet our dreaded curfews. We all lived for the weekends, the Friday night home games with dances to follow, and pizza and pop shared with friends. Through all these good and bad times in school, we were all searching for a happy four years.

The search meant different things to different people. Heather Crissman, senior, commented, "The friends I met and the experiences I had, I'll never forget. I don't know what I'd do without my buddies." Tammy Rice, senior, added, "The memorable experiences I had, the fun and friendships, I just could not have gotten anywhere else except high school." Brian Green, junior, stated, "School gave me challenges that I wouldn't have had anywhere else." Stewart Puckett, sophomore, remarked, "School is like a fine wine it gets better with time." Regardless of the experiences we had, we all found ourselves **in search of** the perfect year.





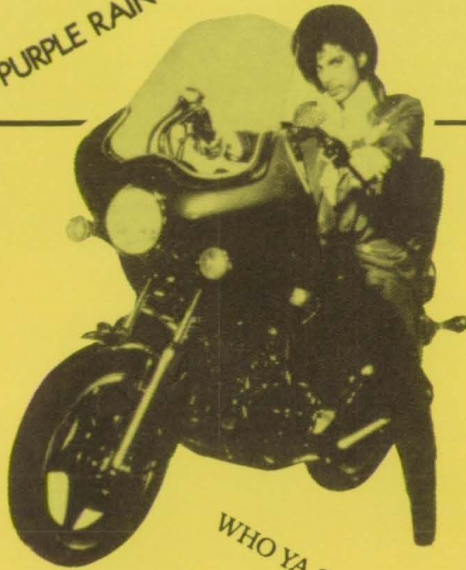




In Search Of Different Faces



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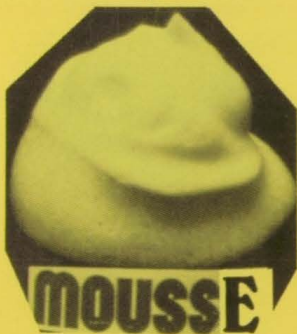
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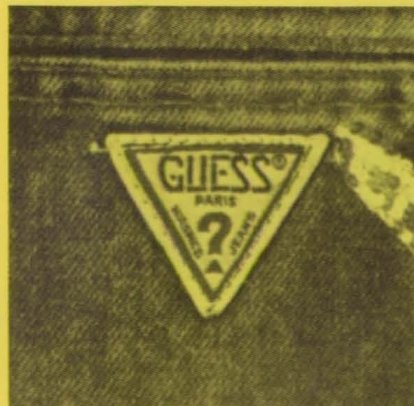
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"Where's the beef?"

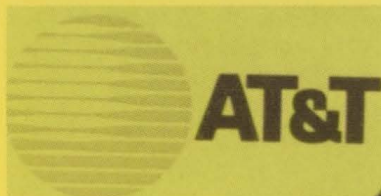
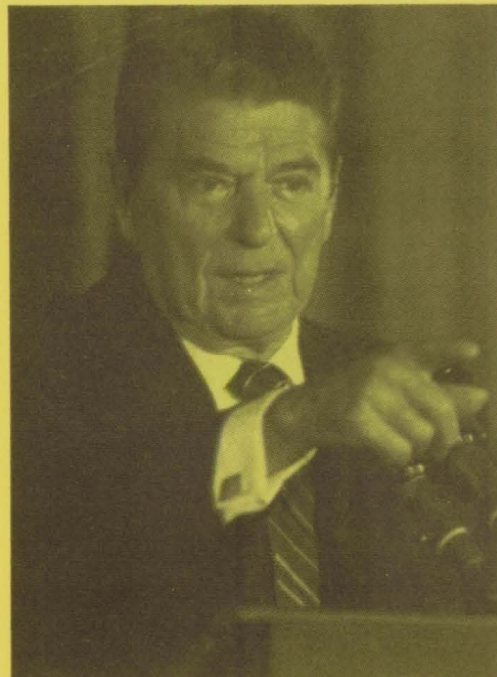


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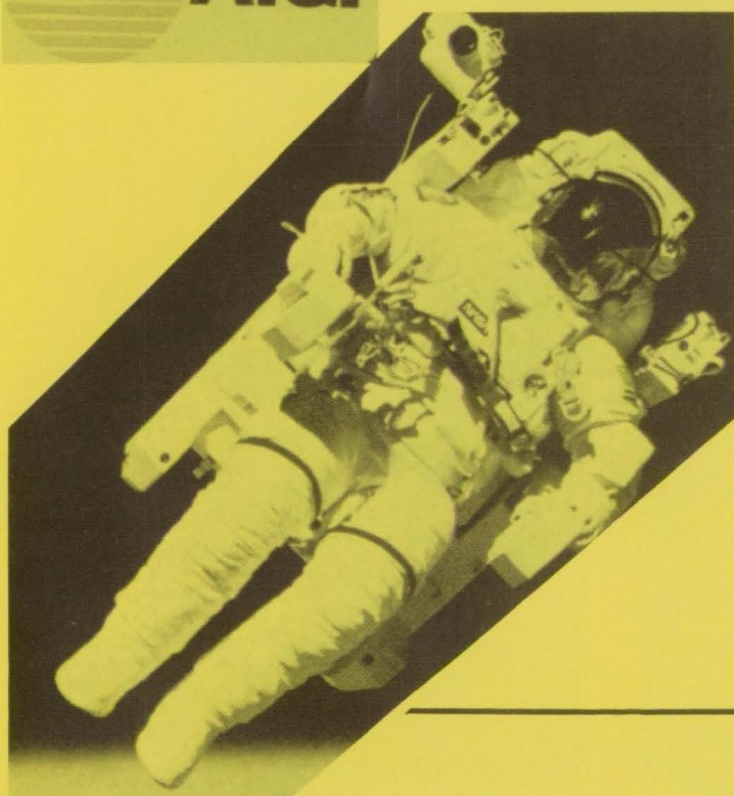


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D e d i c a t i o n



Being a teacher is more than just opening a book and standing in front of a classroom. To be special, he must care for his students and support them often becoming counselor, fan, and friend. Such a teacher is Mr. George Morehead to whom the NEOHIMO is dedicated. From working by himself in his classroom to comparing notes with fellow teachers, from receiving a surprise Christmas present of much needed hair and curling iron from his students, to taking his den of scouts on a hike, Mr. Morehead has dedicated himself to the students in Neosho.





Along with his duties as a math teacher, Mr. Morehead sponsored the Math Club, senior class and band trips. He drove the bus before and after school as well as for cross country meets and band trips.

When students were asked what they found most memorable about Mr. Morehead, their responses were:

Rosemary Jones: "He always said he has more head, less hair."

Paula Allison: "He's hilarious! He tells you that you have homework due the next day when you really don't."

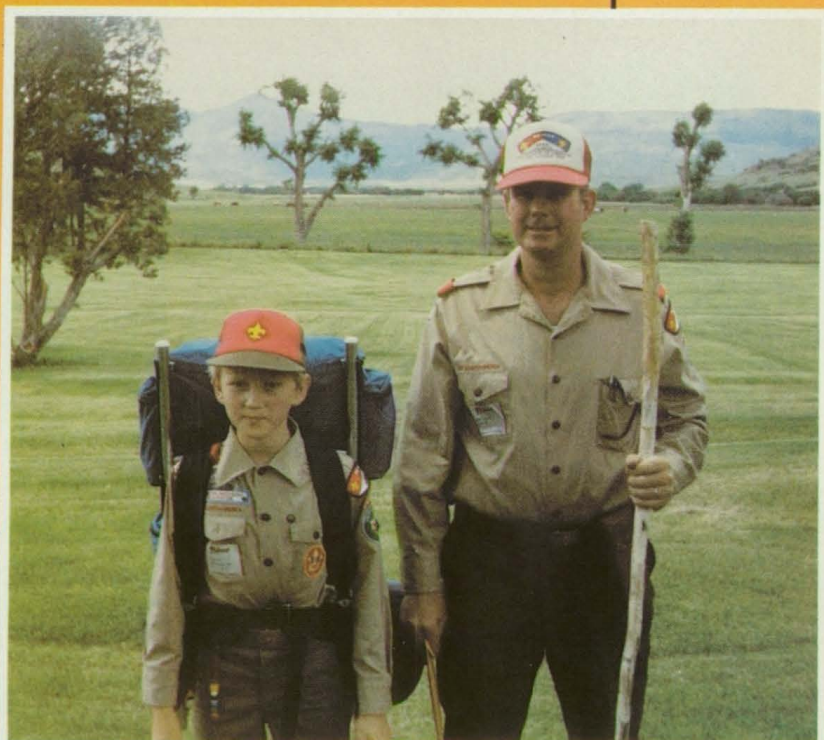
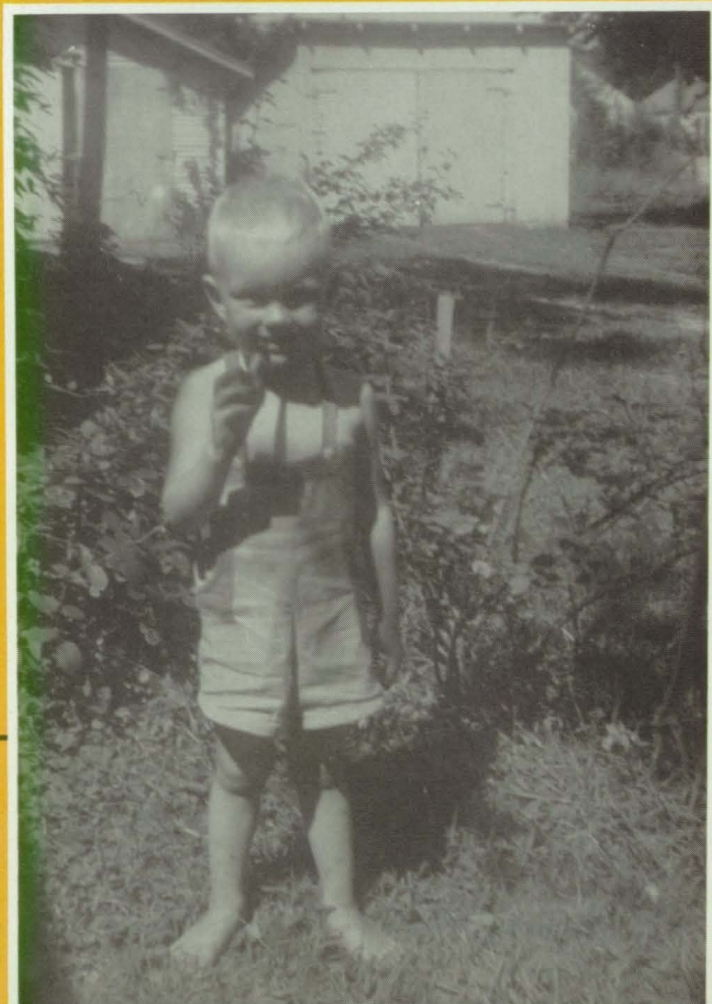
Brenda Offenbacher: "His bald head."

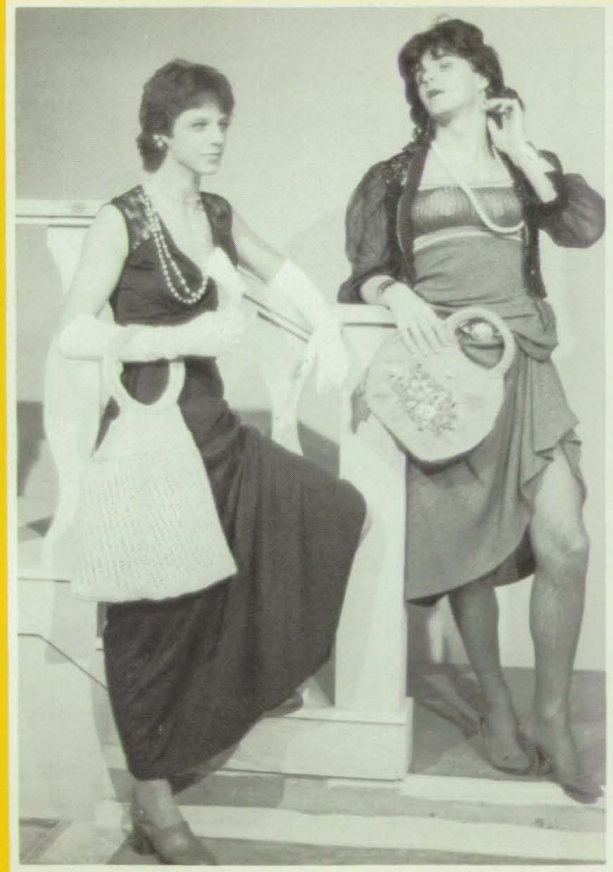
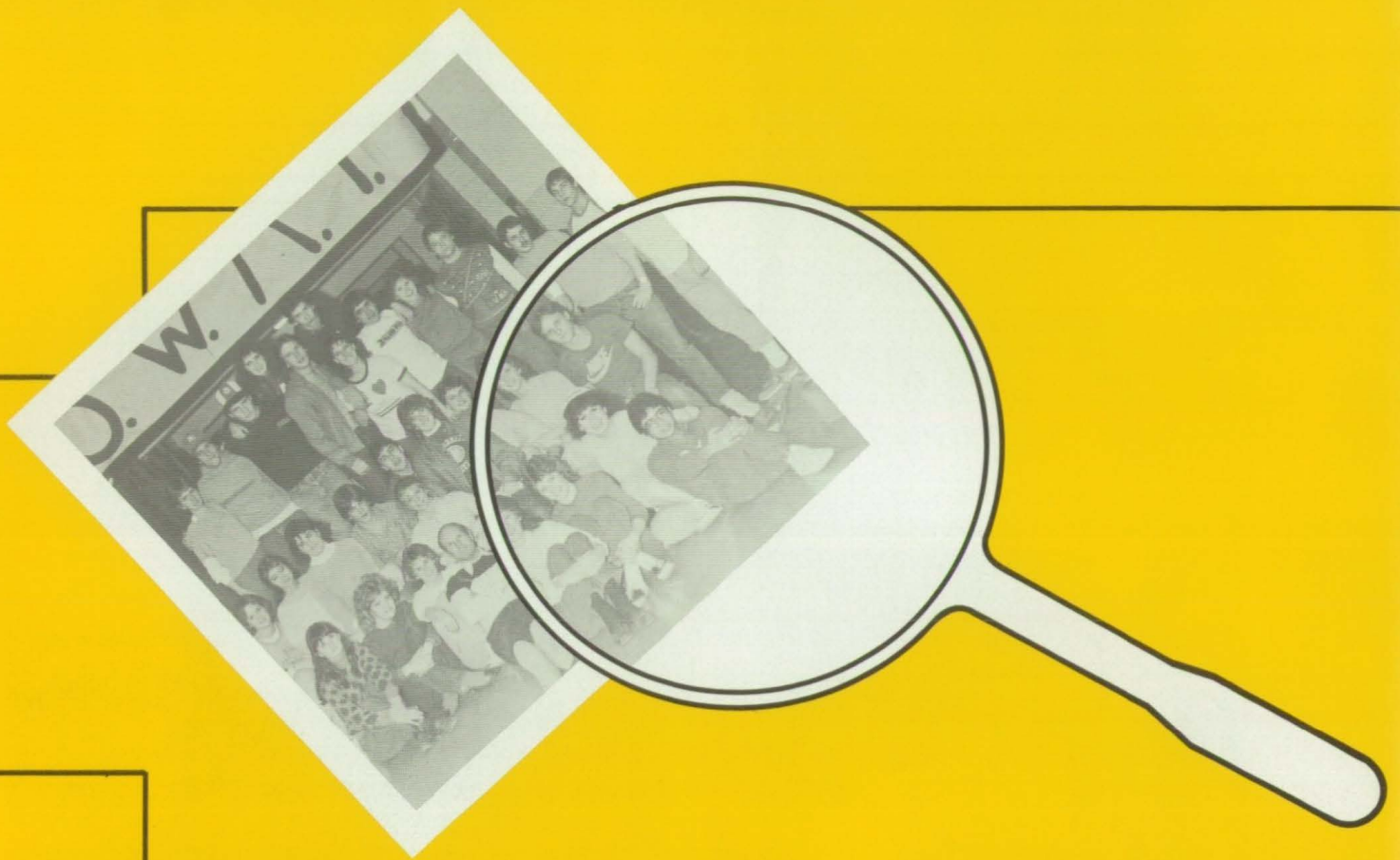
Connie Slaughter: "When he gets embarrassed, his face gets really red."

Even with all the extra things he still has time for students.

Mr. Morehead was born in Chanute, Kansas. He is married to Lois Morehead who works in the Neosho High School Cafeteria. They have three children, Teresa, senior; Tracy, a freshman and Todd, an eighth grader.

He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Pittsburg State University. His major was in math and his minor was in physical science. He received his Masters degree in mathematics.





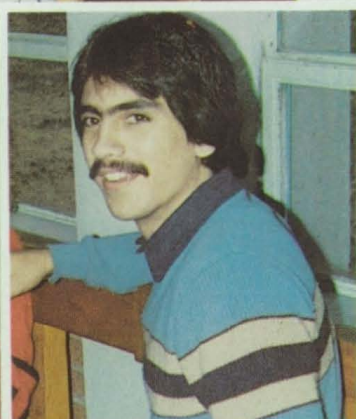
In Search Of Success

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Seniors Lead The Way





Seniors Search For Tomorrow . . .

Being a senior was supposed to be great. It was supposed to be the easiest year. We were said to be the leaders, the more mature. We all had come so far those three hard-working years. We all were in search of one thing, getting our diplomas.

Our senior year brought us traditions to follow such as painting senior hill, senior assembly, senior skip day, baccalaureate, and finally graduation. During this year we were faced with the responsibility of deciding our future.

This year brought about many emotions. It was sad when we heard of close friends going their own ways. Some were going to college; others were joining the Armed Forces. We all

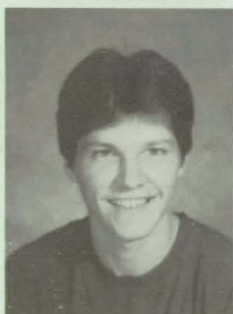
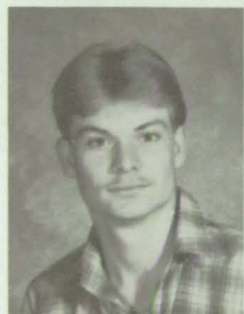
seemed to take a good look at ourselves. This year seemed to bring us all closer together. We were more like a family, a bunch of friends. It seemed that we had become closer knowing that this was our last chance to get to know the people we had gone to school with for so long.

This was the last year we designed a locker to suit our personalities. This was the last year that marked our last "Spirit-Week," our last homecomings and our last high school dances. This was the last time we had to be at school at 8:25 and were dismissed at 3:15, our last set schedule. This year ended a part of our life we would remember and cherish forever.

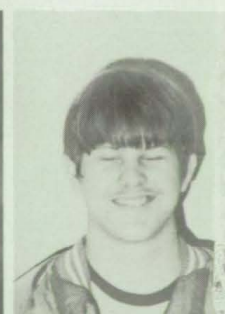
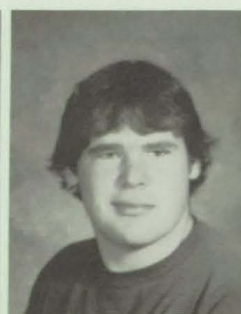
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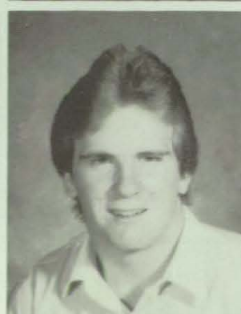
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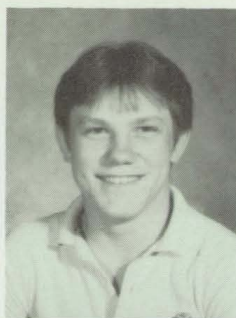


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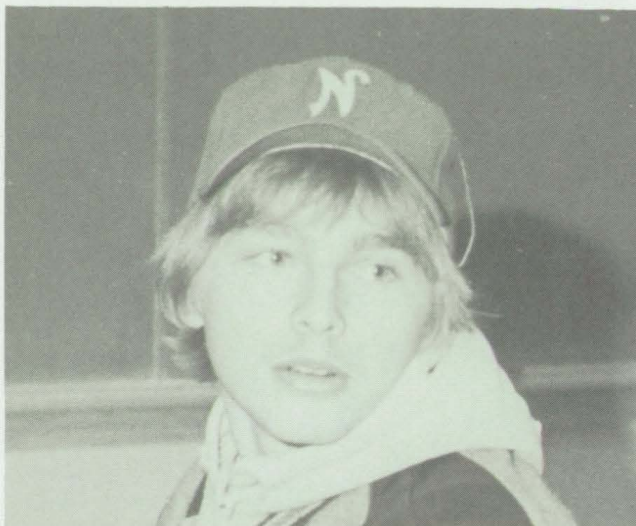


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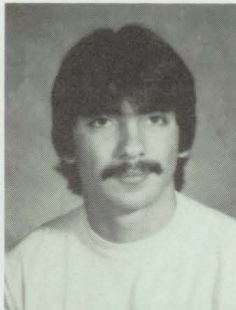
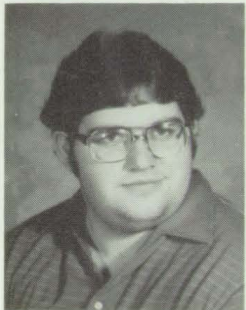




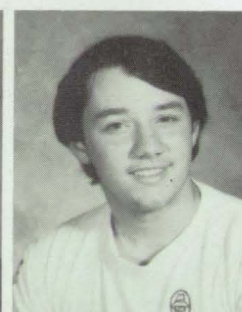
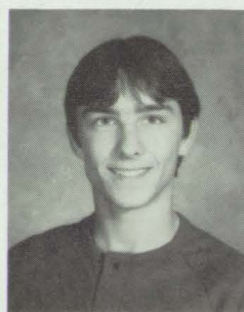
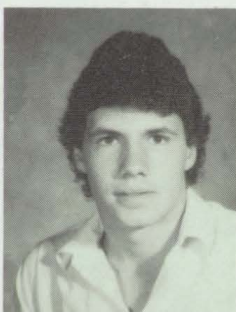
Gee, I wish she would look my way.



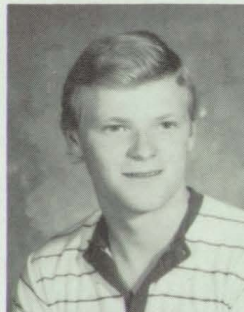
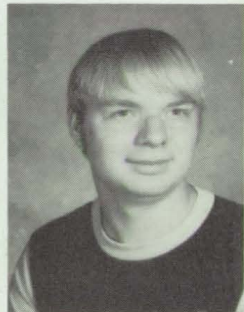
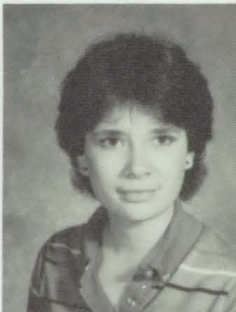
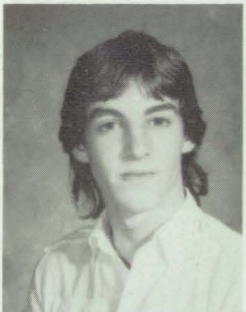
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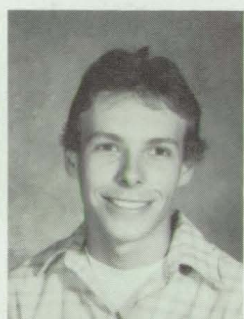
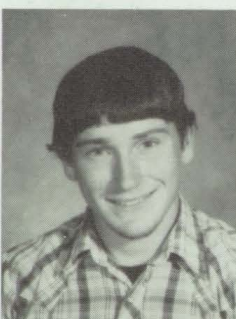
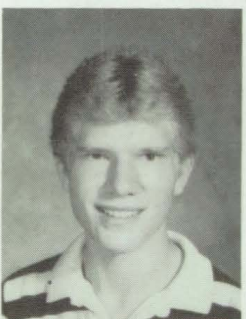
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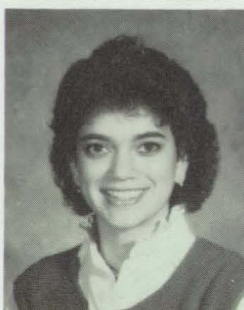
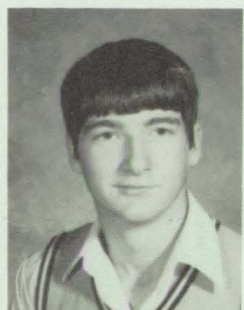
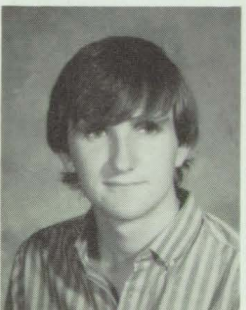
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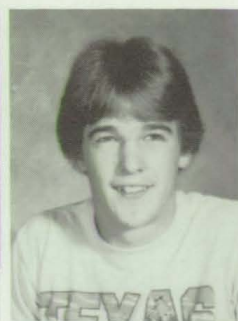
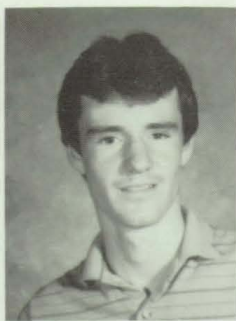
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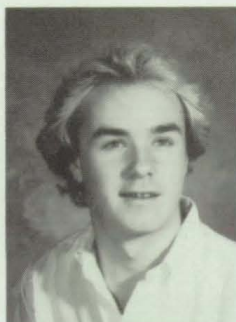
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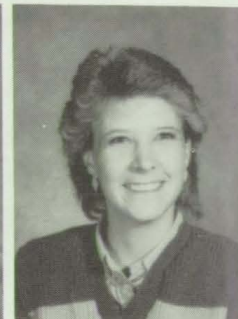
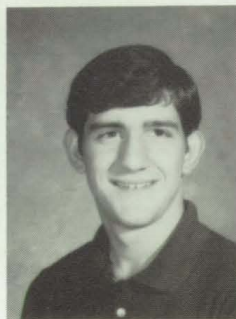
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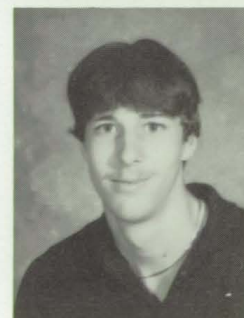
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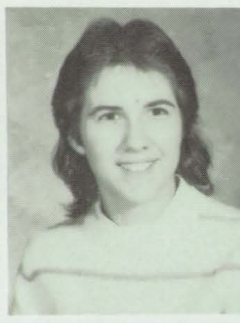
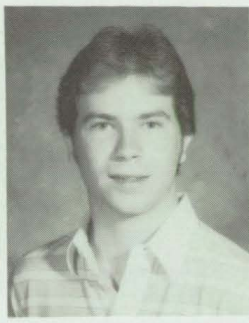
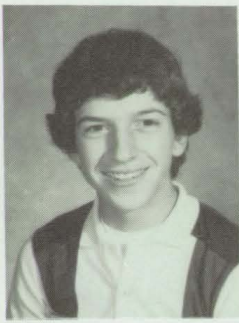


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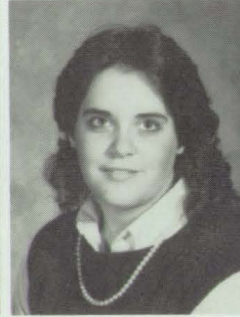


Seniors "hang around". Left
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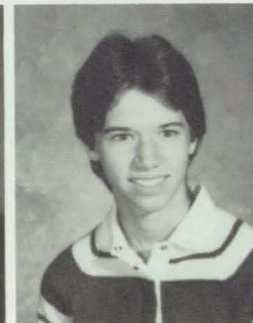
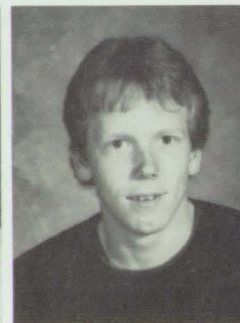
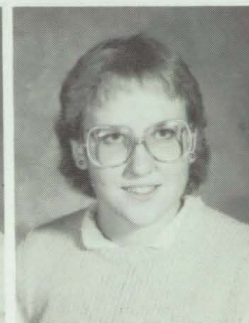
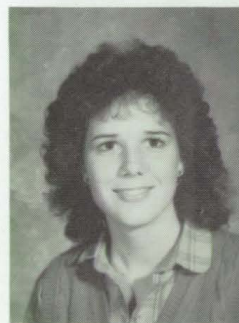




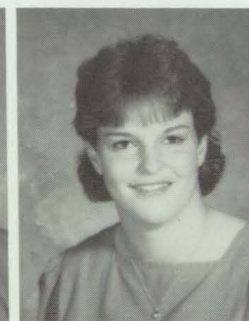
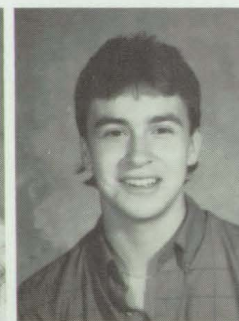
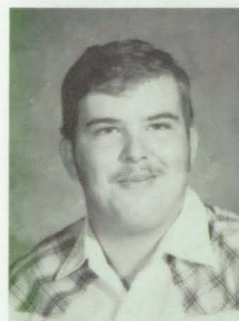
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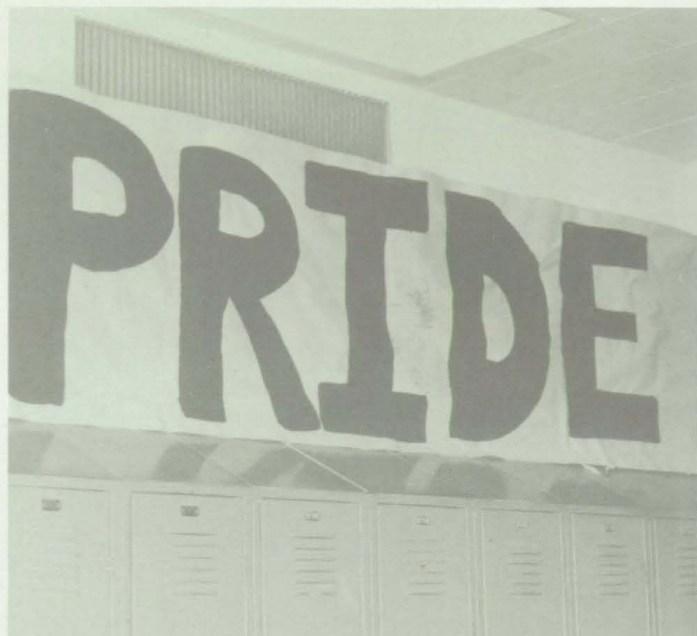
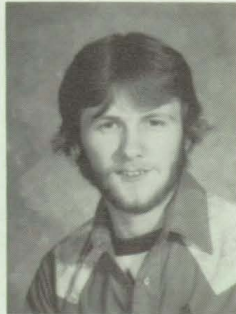
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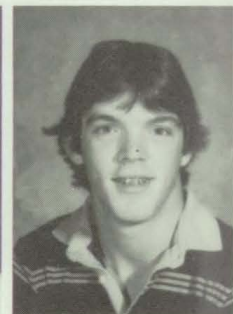
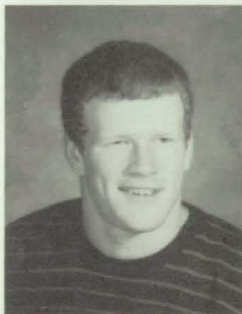
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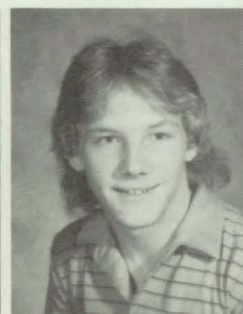
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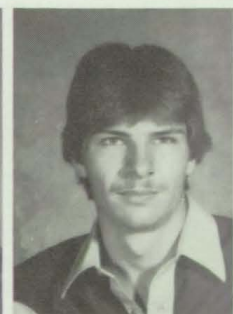
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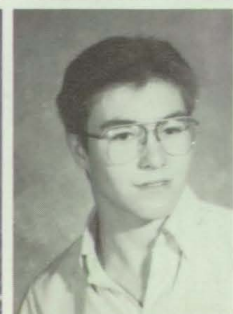
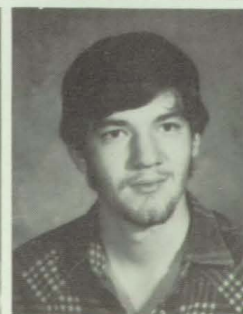
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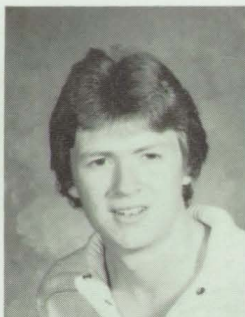
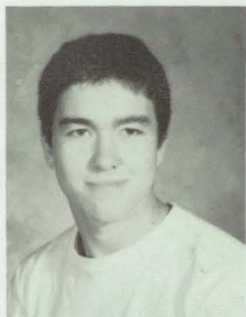
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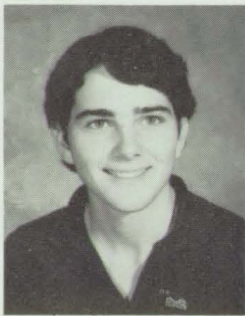
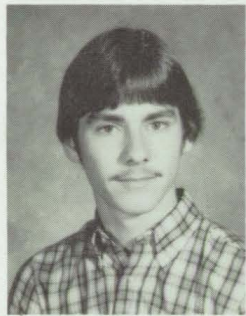
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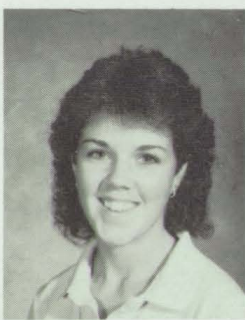
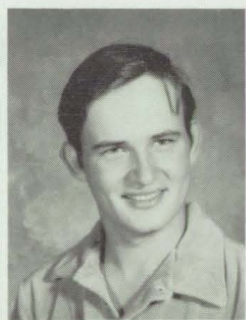
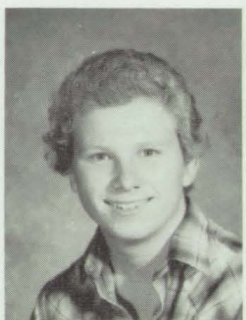
Crissy Elbrader helps with the NHS blood drive.



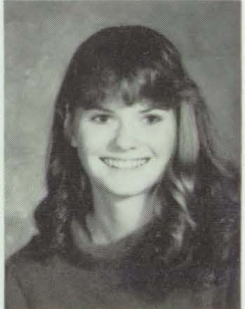
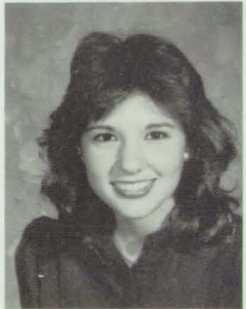
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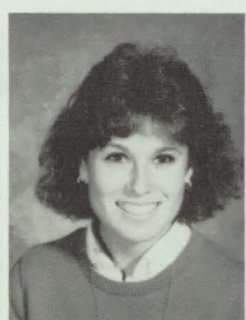
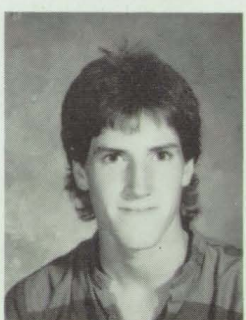
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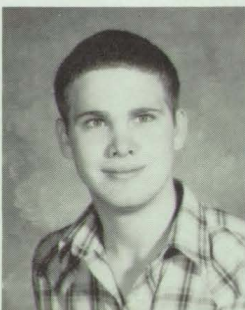
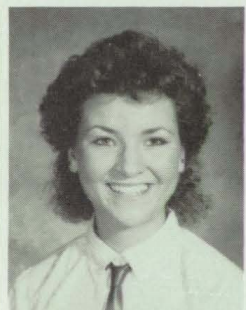
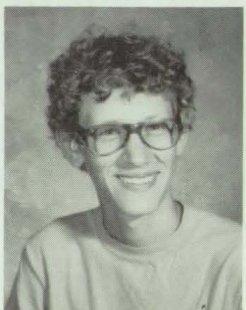
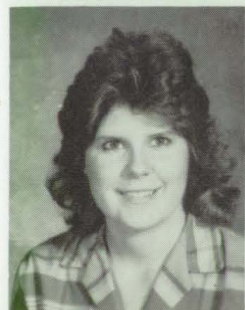
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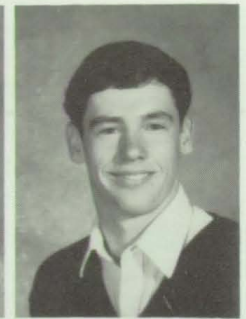
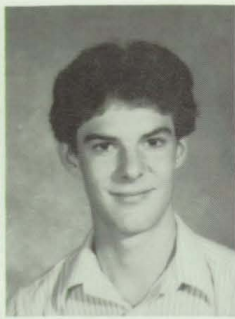
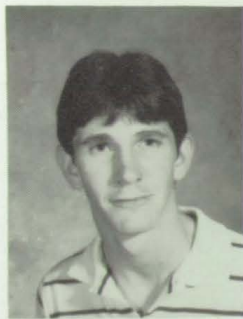
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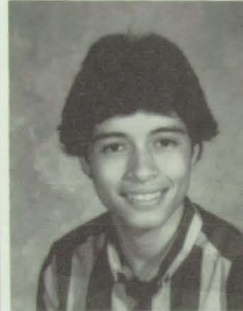
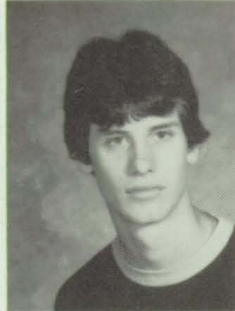
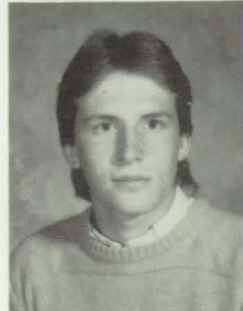
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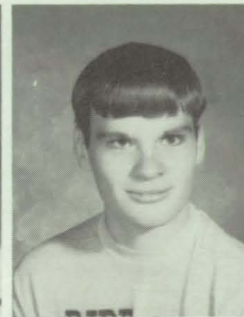
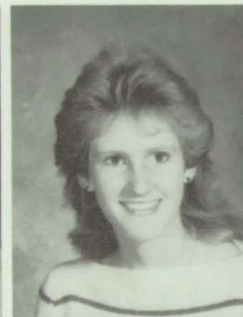
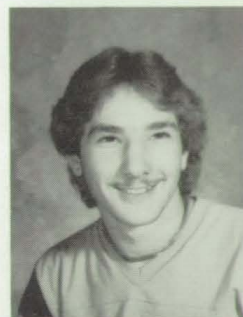
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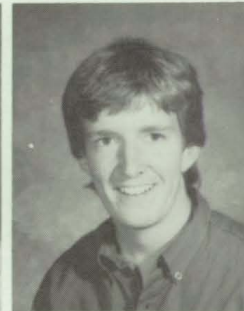
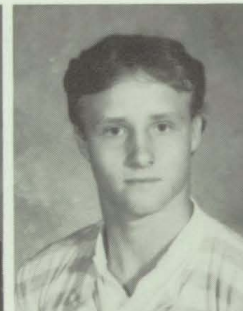
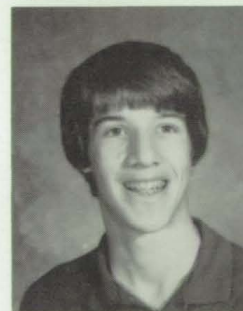
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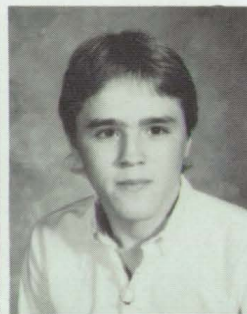
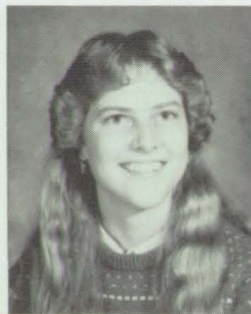
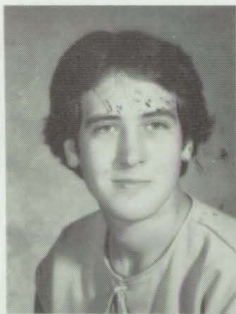
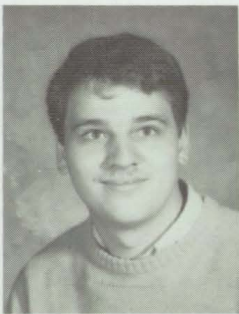


Dr. Jekyle and Mr. Hines.

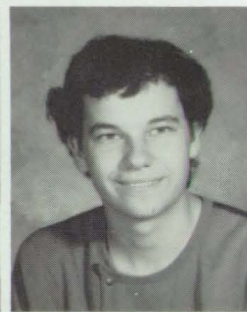
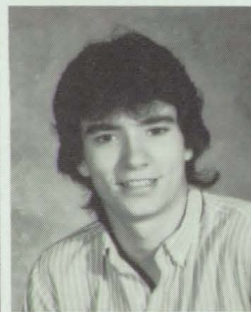
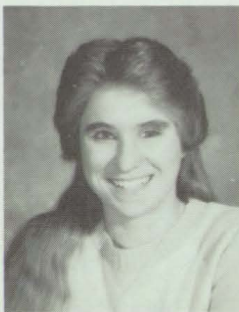
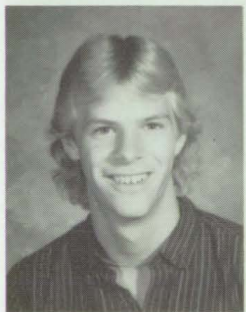


Senior-itis, better known as spring fever, seemed to effect seniors more than the underclassmen. The sunny days and warm air led them to the creek or backyard to catch the rays. We found ourselves leaving school before 3:15 bell or not even making it to school in the first place. We found ourselves saying it's too nice to be at school and then leaving. Our classes seemed less important and each day was part of the count down until graduation. The last months of school seemed to bring us all together, though. Senior skip day May 10 was a way of letting the teachers know that spring fever and senior-itis had set in. Though a common condition of many seniors,

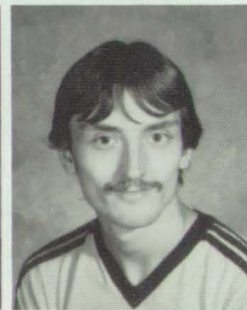
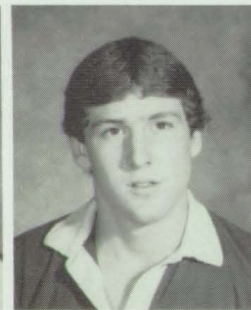
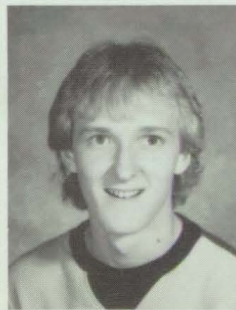
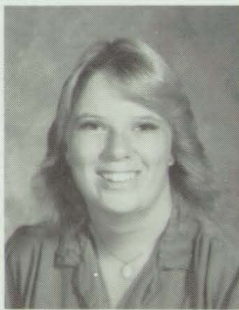
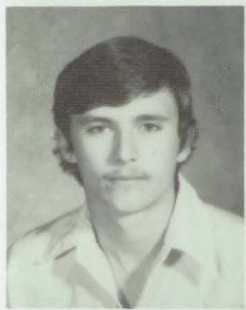
senior-itis took several forms. When asked what senior-itis meant to them, seniors responded in several ways. Heather Wimsert said, "I hardly ever do my homework." Tineka Sanders said, "I get up a little bit later every day, and barely make it to school." Tracy Schanakenberg said, "My homework begins to slack off a little bit." Rosemary Jones replied, "I blow off tests and skip school." David Carlin replied, "Getting to school is a lot harder." Heather Crissman commented, "The days are a lot longer and I'm lazier." Mark Mulik stated, "Procastination is my motto."



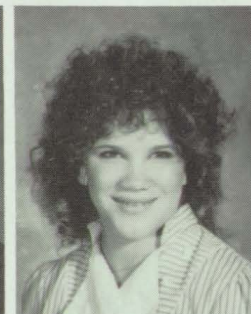
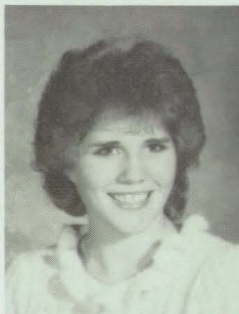
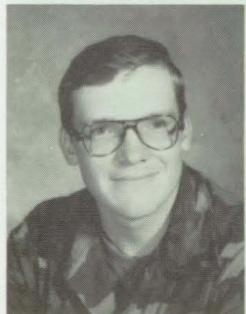
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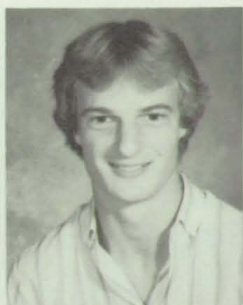
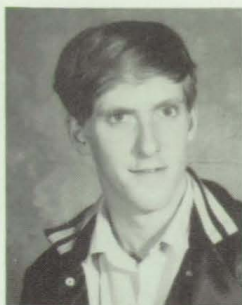
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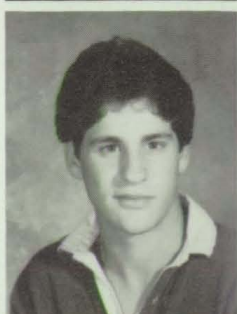
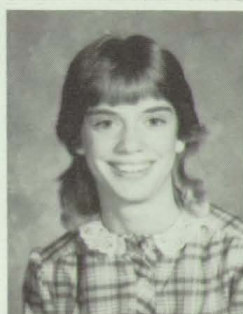
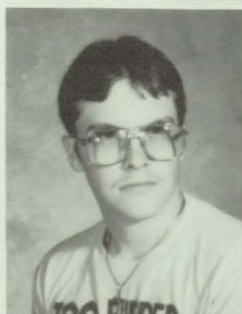
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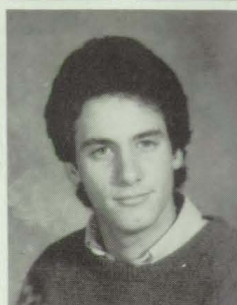
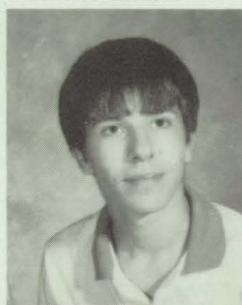
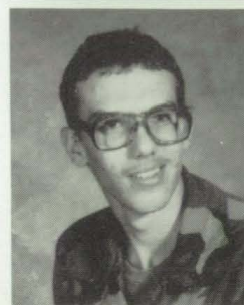
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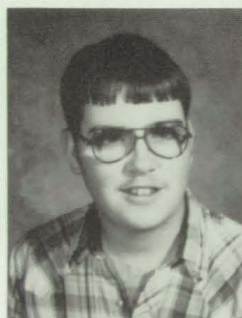
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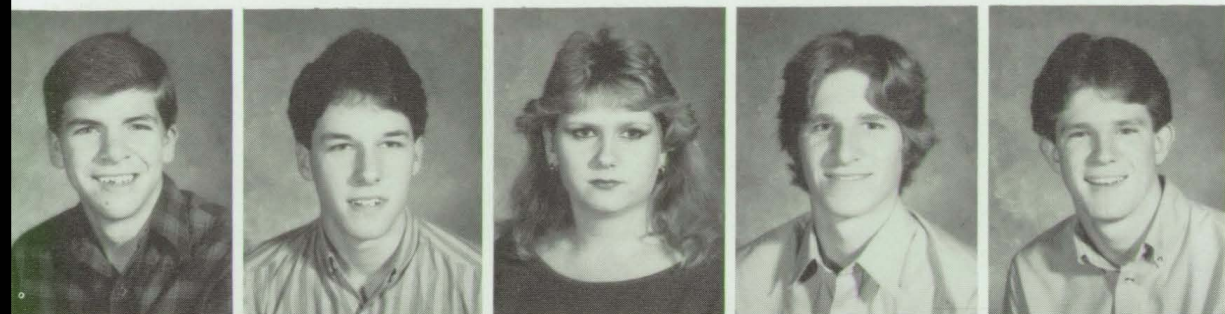


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Bobby Sams
Michael Sanders
Tineka Sanders
Sharon Sargent



Seniors can "handle" any problem: Angela Kruse and Louie Spencer

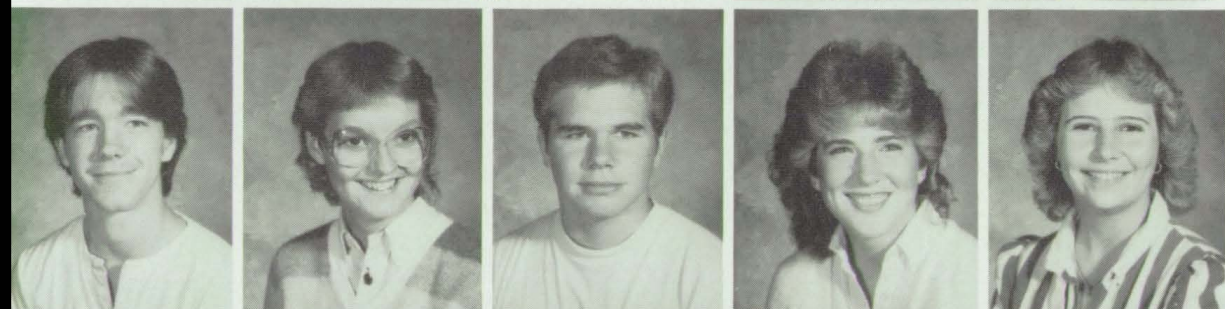




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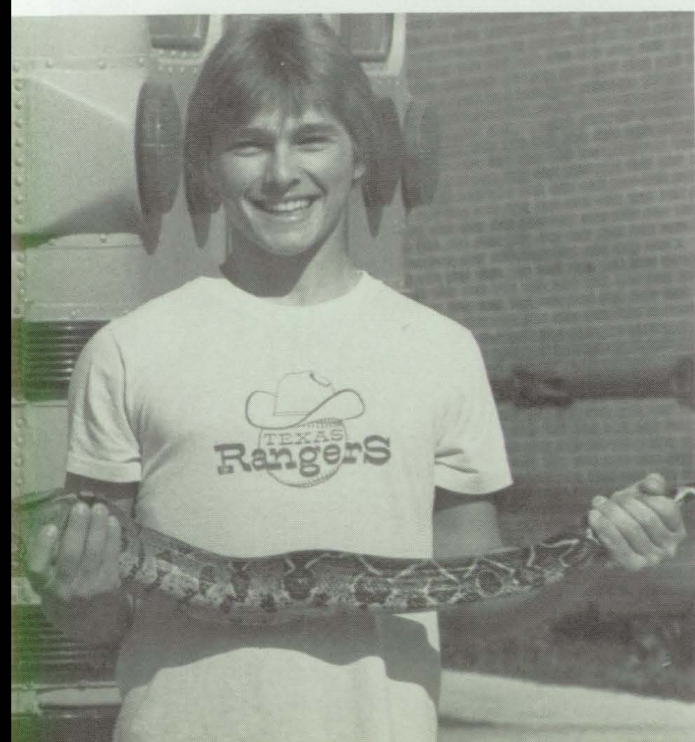
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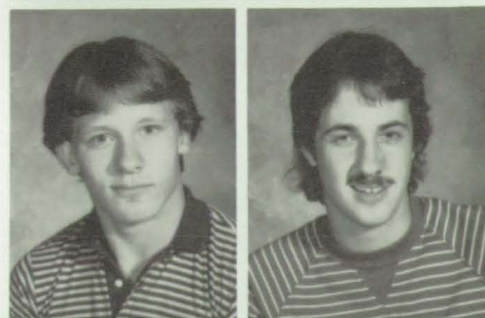


As They Lead The Way In '85

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Scott Stanley

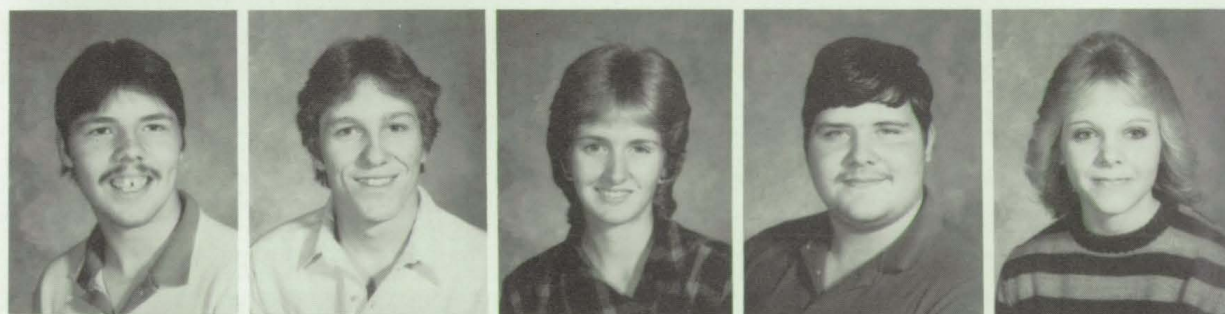


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Cam Stewart

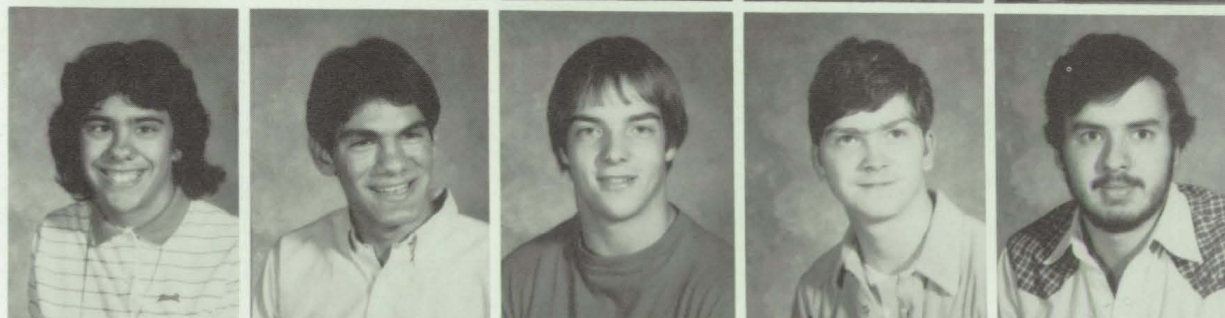


Seniors hope their friendships and warmth will last forever. David Carlin and Jeania Farmer pose for the camera.

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Kathleen Swift
Louie Taylor
Rene Taylor

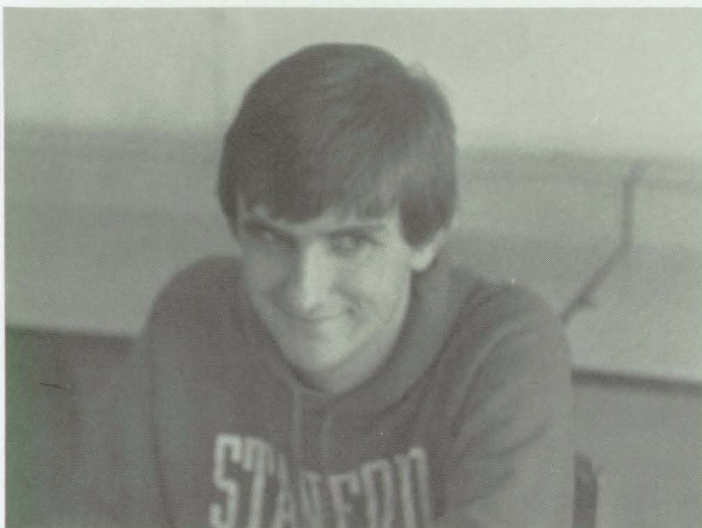


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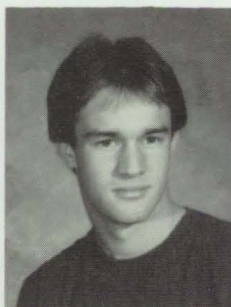
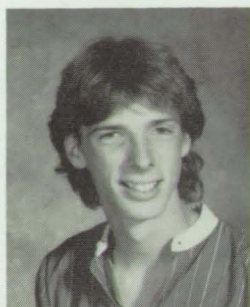


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Marcus VanDorn
Tina Watson
Robert Watts
Robert Wentworth

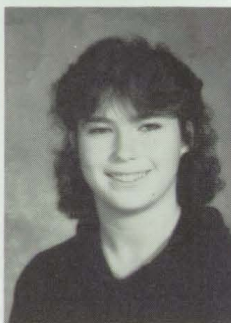
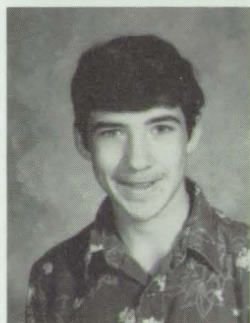




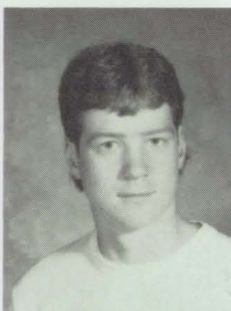
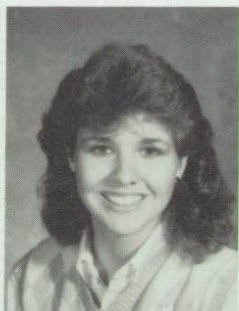
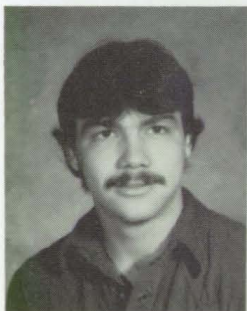
"Stanford here I come," dreams Toby Cole. Toby was a leader this year helping the class of '85 in its high academic achievement.



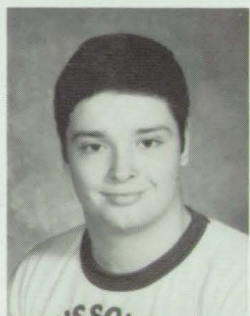
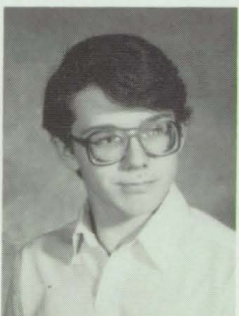
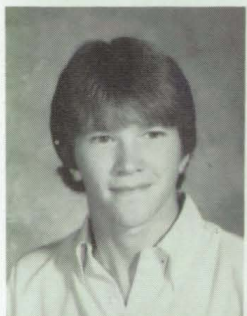
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James Wilkins
Carolyn Williams



Kelly Williams
Cindy Willis
Tresa Wilson
Heather Wimsert
William Windhorst



Bert Wood
Richard Wood
Debbie Yerington
Kent Young
Kerry Young



Senior life is not all play and no work. These students won honors through Science Research class. From left to right are Haley Bryan, Becky Leach, Jeff Tilley, Alisha Spears, Kim Henning, Jody Sparks, Gary Massey, and junior Lori Troxel.

Senior Personalities Are Classy!



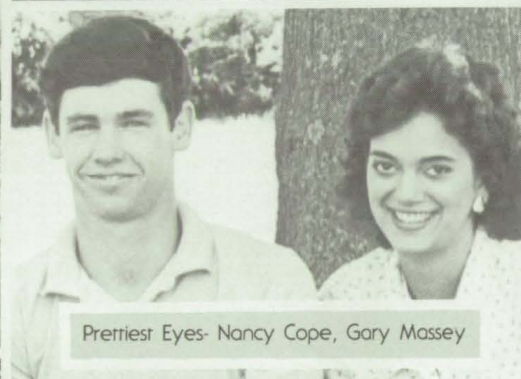
Best Dressed- Tammy Rice, Stephen Garner



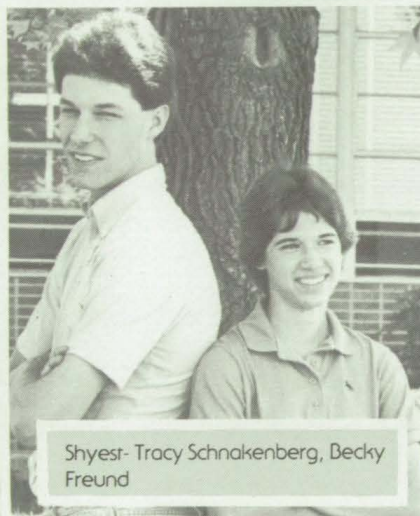
Best Legs- Heather Crissman, David Carlin



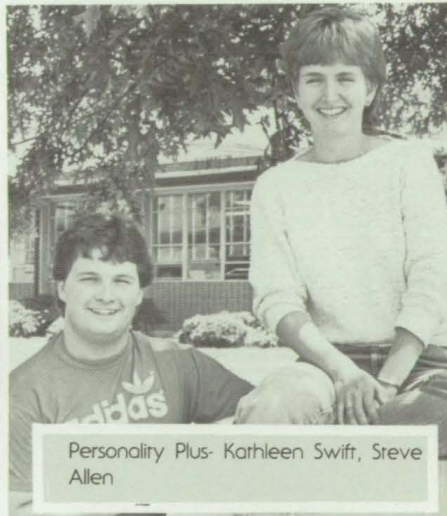
Most Scholarly- Teresa Moorehead, Toby Cole



Prettiest Eyes- Nancy Cope, Gary Massey



Shyest- Tracy Schnakenberg, Becky Freund



Personality Plus- Kathleen Swift, Steve Allen



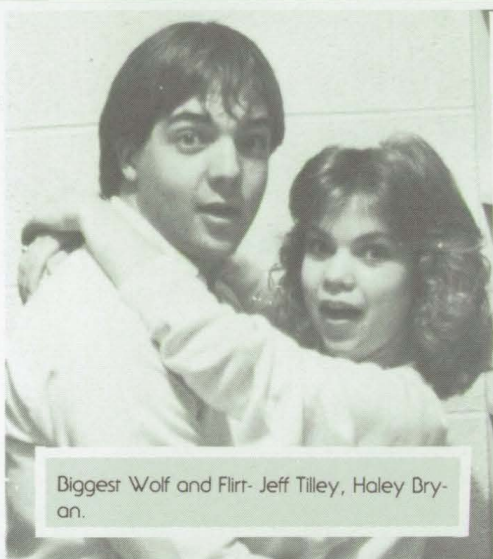
Ideal Couple- Rose Mary Jones, Curtis Cornell



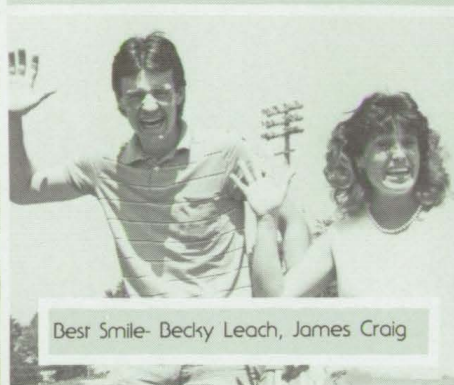
Prettiest Hair- Kerry Young, William Windhorst



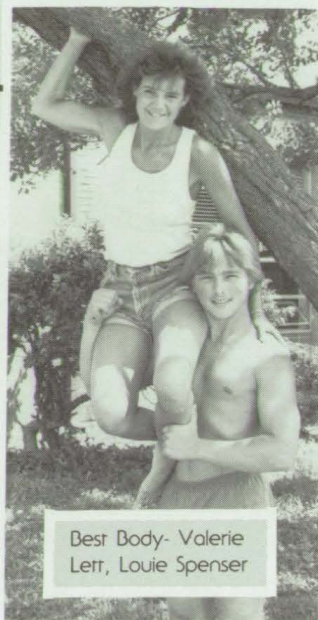
Prettiest and Most Handsome- Marcus Campbell, Shelly Herndon



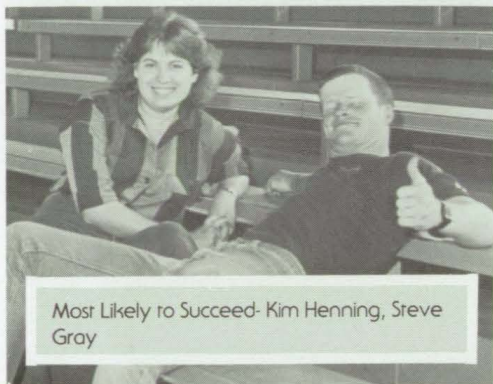
Biggest Wolf and Flirt- Jeff Tilley, Haley Bryan.



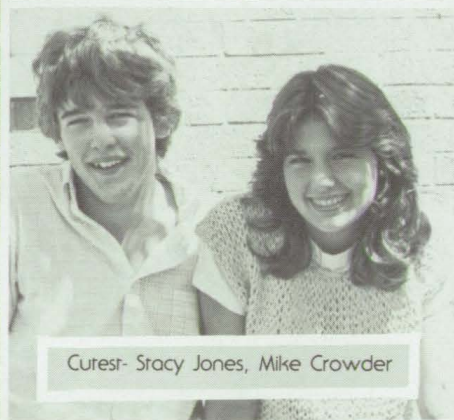
Best Smile- Becky Leach, James Craig



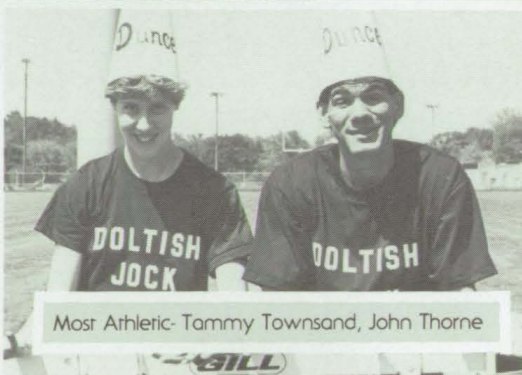
Best Body- Valerie Lett, Louie Spenser



Most Likely to Succeed- Kim Henning, Steve Gray



Cutest- Stacy Jones, Mike Crowder



Most Athletic- Tammy Townsend, John Thorne



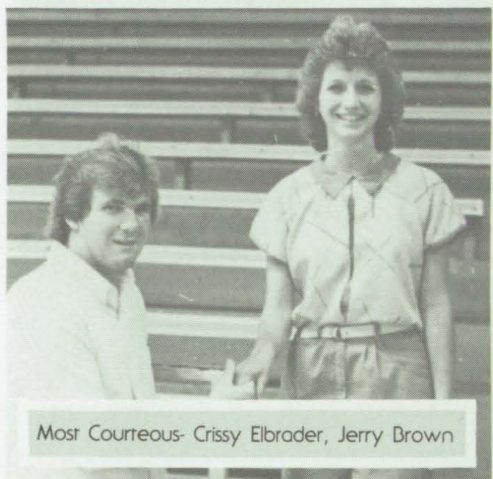
Most Talented- John Pettit, Jean Finch



Best Laugh- David Sharp, Alicia Spears



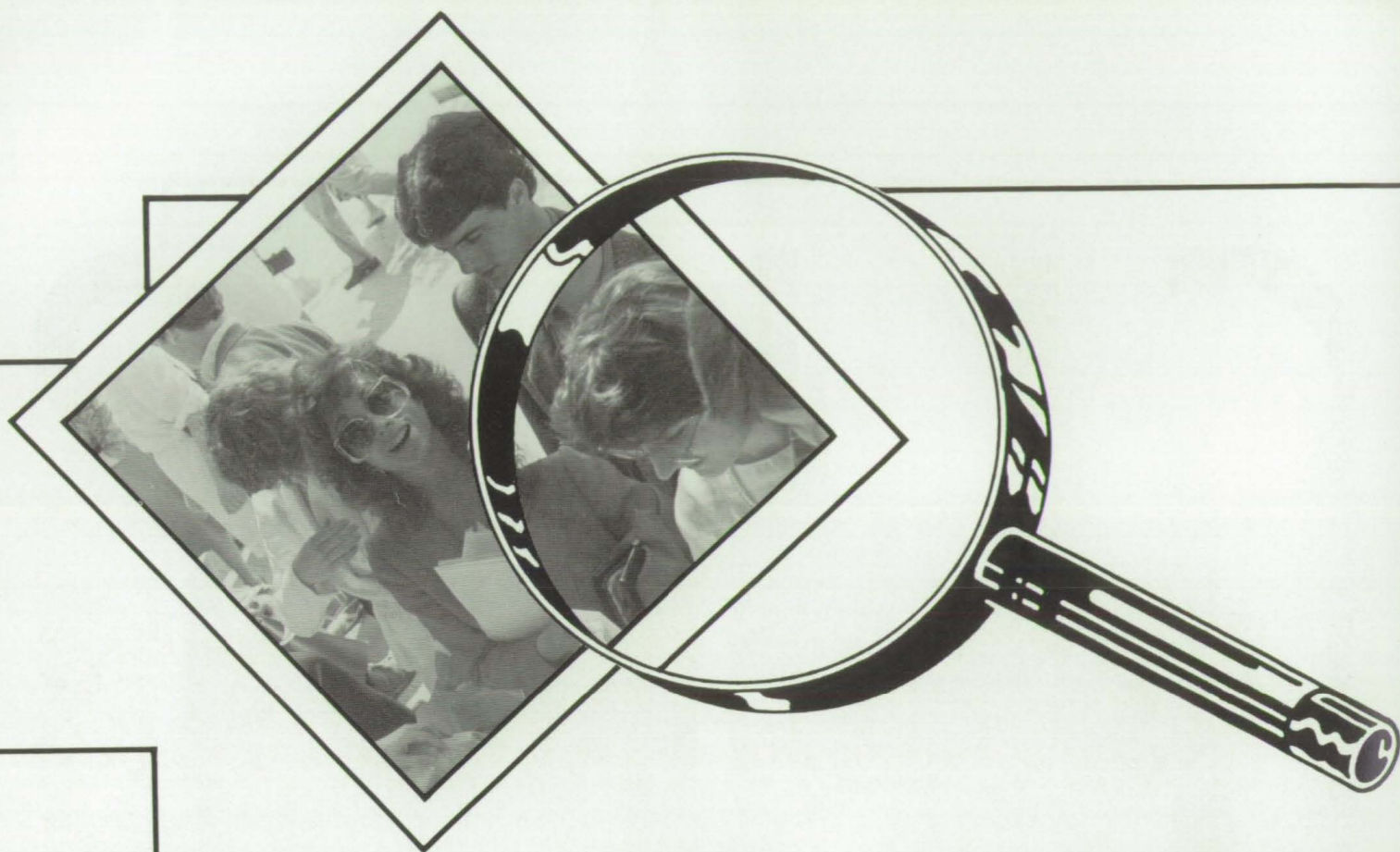
Nicest- Marla Heaser, Shan Mathews



Most Courteous- Crissy Elbrader, Jerry Brown



Class Clowns- Angela Kruse, John Darnell



In Search Of Smiles . . .

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People Go Crazy

Board Of Education Seeks Quality



The 1984-85 Board of Education flourished with many good ideas this school year.



Richard Poor, Board President



Stan Marion, Board Secretary



Dr. David McMillan, Board Member



Kim Malles, Board Member

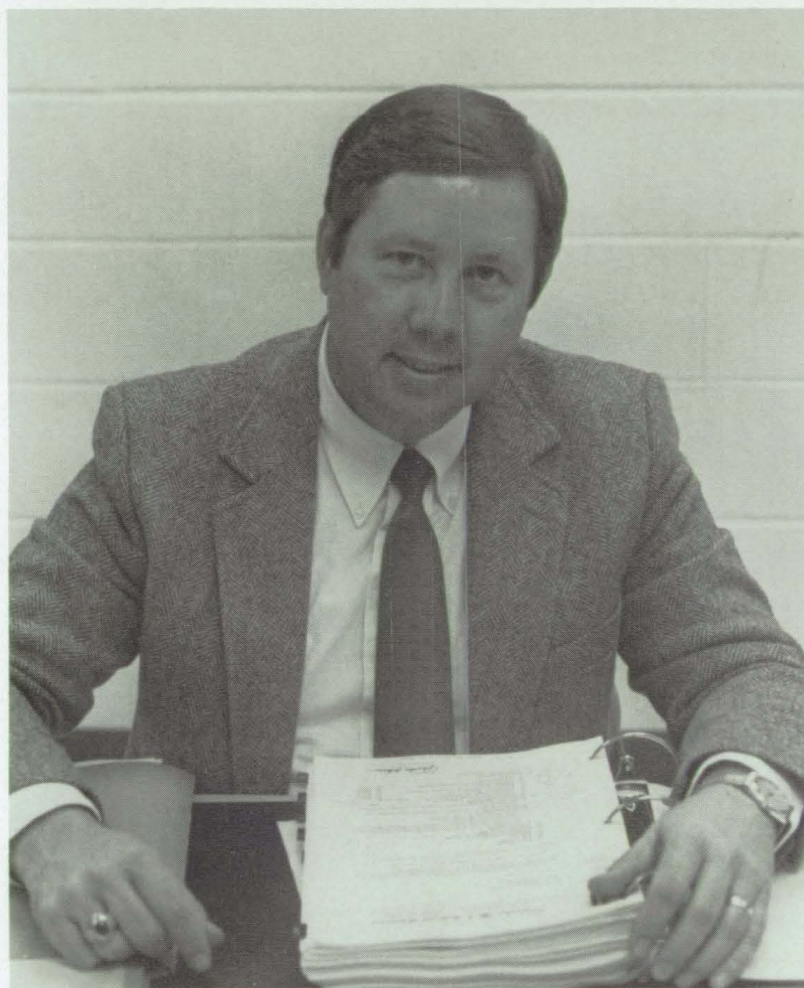


Jim Russell, Board Member



Walter Walker, Board Member

Superintendents Establish Goals



Dr. Gordon Warren, Superintendent, works with the new teachers in the community (below).



This was Dr. Warren's first year as Superintendent of Schools for the Neosho area. As superintendent, he was in charge of the entire network of schools in the area, with the Board of Education really being the only thing above him.



Dr. Roy Shaver, Assistant Superintendent

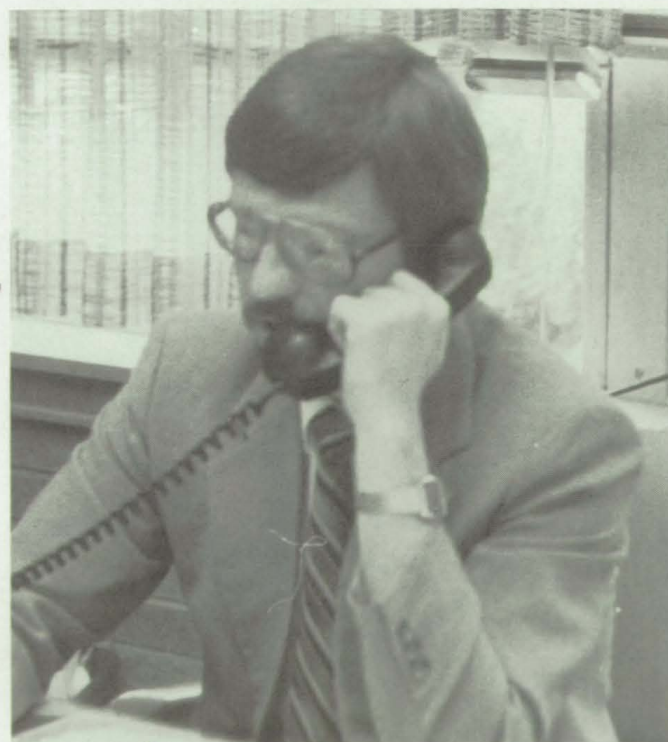
Administrators Guide Students And Faculty



Mr. Dennis Griffin, Senior High Principal



Mr. Griffin stands by his lath-art picture of a "Razor-Bass." Lath-art, his hobby, involves taking small pieces of wood and shaping them to make a picture.



Mr. Marvin Misemer, Senior High Assistant Principal



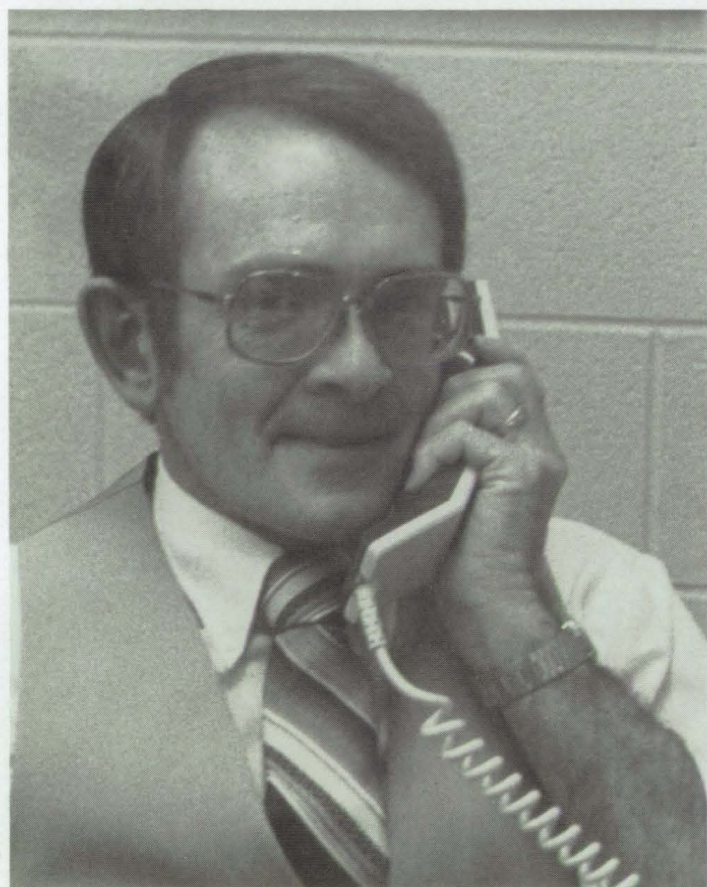
Mr. Max Ruhl, Junior High Principal



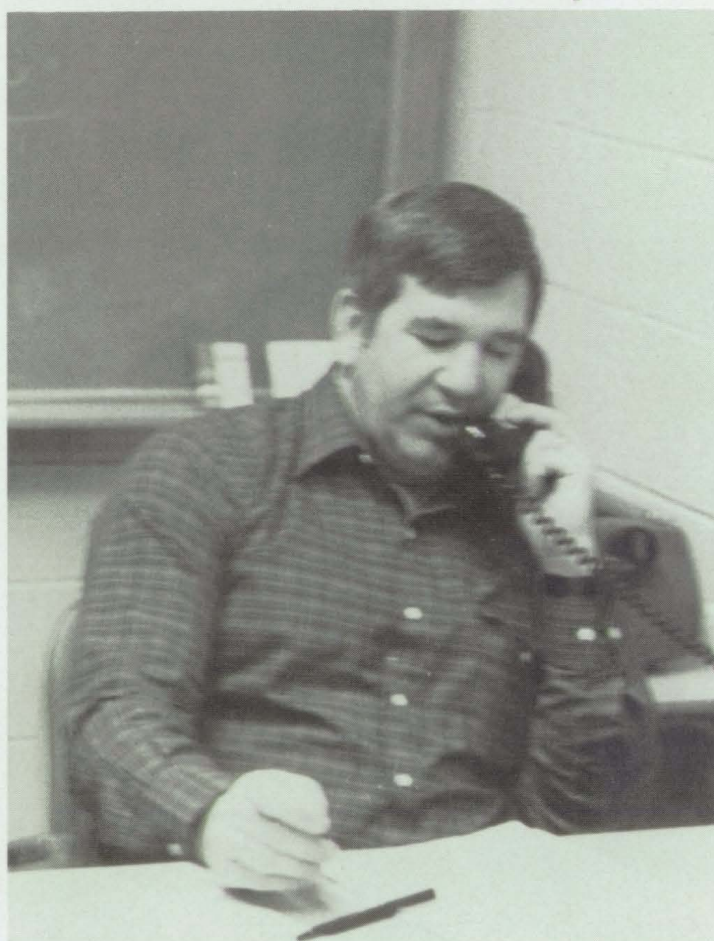
Carol Squibb, Goodman Principal



Charlotte Nichols, Food Service Director



Carl Tilley, Transportation Director



Phil Young, Athletic Director

Support Staff Keeps NHS Moving



Eula Hill, the secretary of the transportation office, answers the phone.



The central office would not run so smoothly without these ladies, Loretta Pruitt, Sarah Dahlstrom, Bess Kreutner, and Terry Burton.



The ladies that work so hard in the senior high office are Betty Jean Dodson and Nancy Sexton.



When you see your counselor, you would have to pass Carol Noah, counseling office secretary.



Part of Betty Allen's responsibilities is keeping track of expenditures for organizations as senior high secretary.



One of the junior high secretaries is Peggy Caddy.



The ladies that print the tests you take, prepare for another full day in the printing room. Printer's "devils" are Sandy Breshears, Judy Brown, and Connie Widener. Judy Brown also is a junior high secretary.



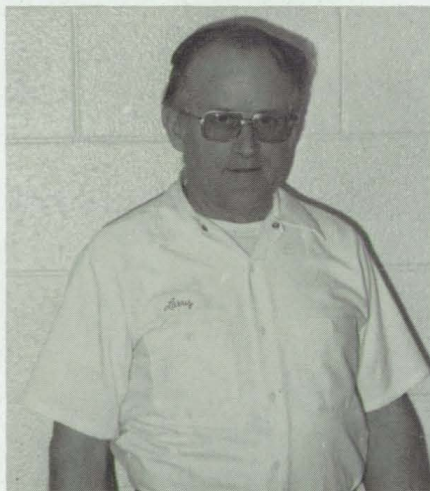
Bus drivers have one of the demanding jobs. Pictured here is Joe Lamar.



Mr. Morehead is not only a bus driver, but a teacher also.



Hours before lunch is served, the cooks are busy preparing for the hungry students.



Janitors have a rough job keeping the high school clean. One of these hard working people is Larry Hooper.



Mrs. Smiles works hard preparing lunch for the high school everyday.

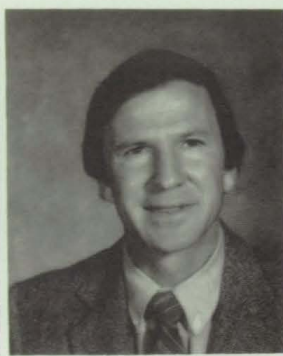
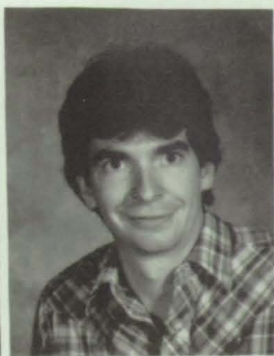


John Sittler is another janitor who works on keeping the high school running smoothly.

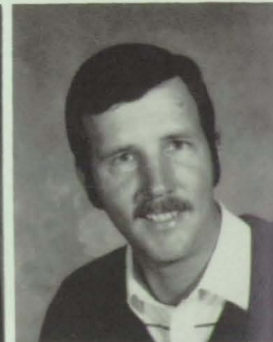
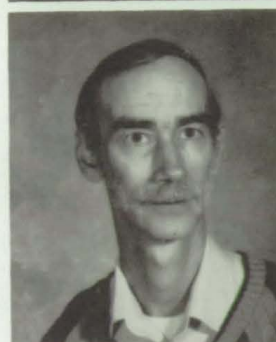
NHS could not run without these people. Bus drivers: Edward Ables, John Alsterda, Robert J. Alsterda, Kenneth P. Barnes, Dennis U. Bruce, James W. Caurhon, Gwen C. Cleaver, Larry Jack Enlow, Frederick E. Ferguson, Charles E. Goade, Jerry L. Gorham, Donald L. Gustavson, Farrell A. Harris, Bill J. Hoover, Eugene Howell, LeLand Dwane Jenkins, Don R. Jordan, Mark C. Keaton, Alice Morehead, Jackie R. Morgan, Larry M. Newtron, Russell Presson, Bobbie G. Rearrick, Karl E. Reed, Katherine I. Reynolds, Glenn H. Sanders, Victor E. Skiles, Eugene Smith, Donnie Sturgeon, Garry G. Warren. Mechanics: Vernie Cook, Joe Thommarson, Eugene Howell. Cooks: Rita Boyd, Adria Craddock, Bjorg Dubois, Lucille Dunn, Sandra Feiser, Lyla Goins, Willodean Greenhaw, Kenneth Hames, Donna Hinson, Wanetta Hollaway, Linda Johnson, Jeannie Laughlin, Lois Morehead, Charlotte Nichols, Thara Sanders, Ida Smiles, Doris Whithorn, Beulah Williamson, Elizabeth May Willson, Sandra Willis. Custodians: Leroy Blevins, Jimmie Brown, Larry Hooper, Donald Hurchison, Arthur Mullins, Russell Presson, John Sittler, Jack Stanley, Dee Adams, James Purvis, Don Thornberry, Bob Osborn.

Senior High Faculty . . .

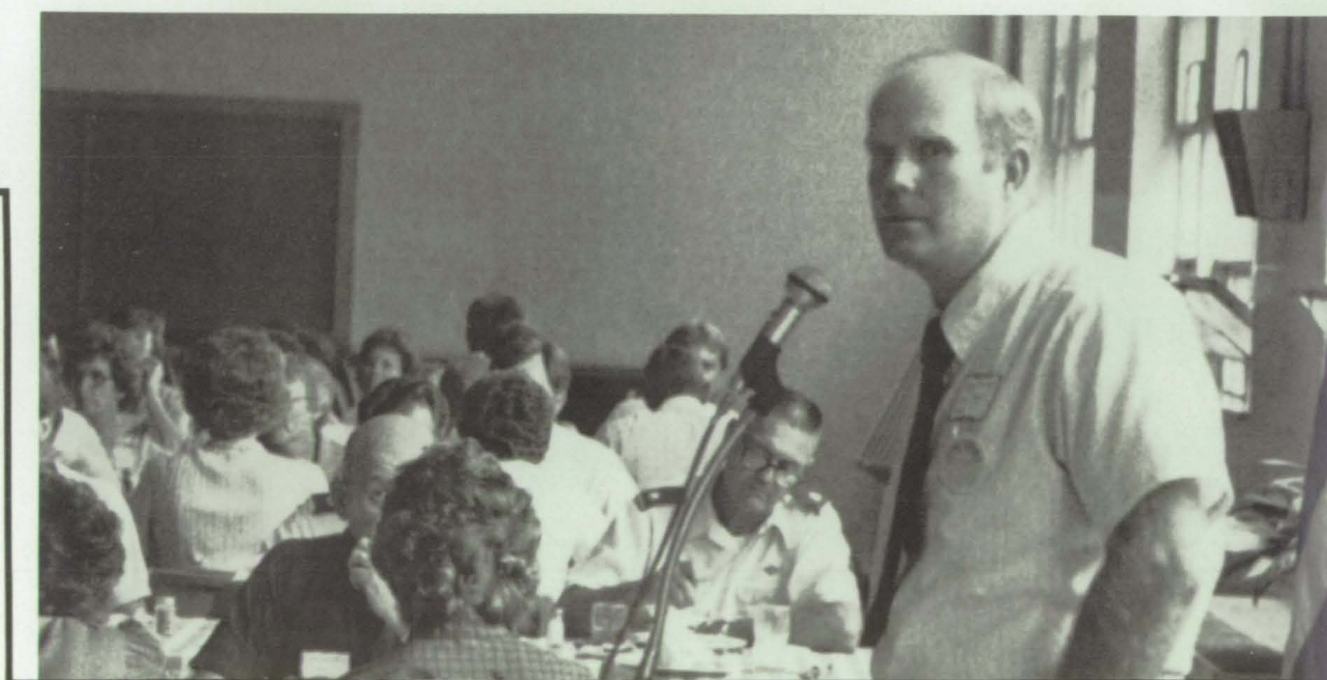
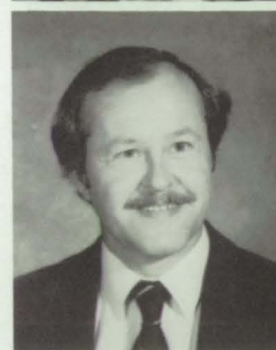
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Michael Aldrich, Agriculture
Mel Bachman, Drivers Education
John Barr, Guidance Counselor



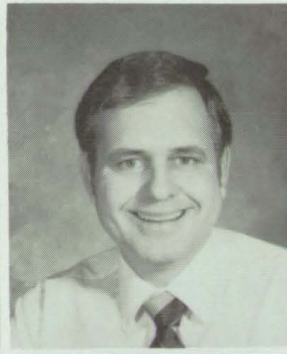
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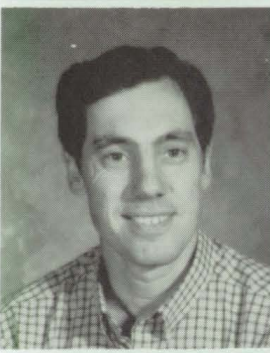
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Peggy Craig, Spanish, Social Studies
Shirley Cummins, Language
Gary Dickinson, Science



Mr. Morehead eyes the camera while starting his speech at the annual teachers luncheon.



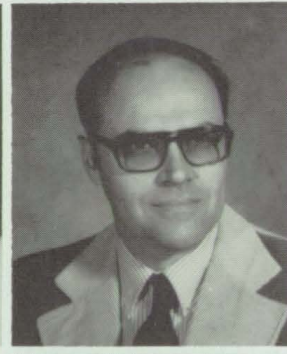
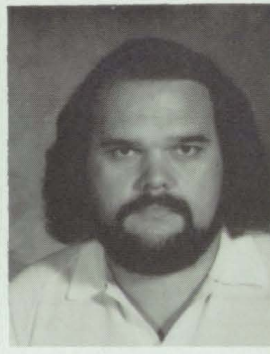
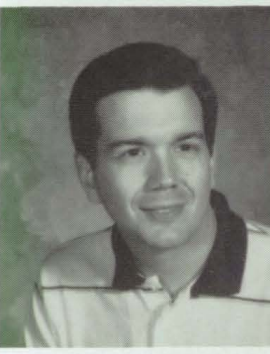
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 Charles Goade, Social Studies



Dave Hammett, Industrial Arts
 Marsha Harland, P.E.
 Kathleen Hartley, Social Studies



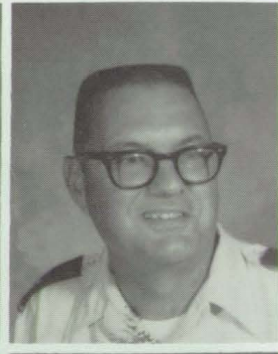
Mrs. Mallory takes a breather
 during one of her classes.



Steve Haupr, Math
 Bill Henton, Social Studies
 Russell Hively, Language Arts



Mr. Montz shows why he is the boss during the football
 homecoming parade.



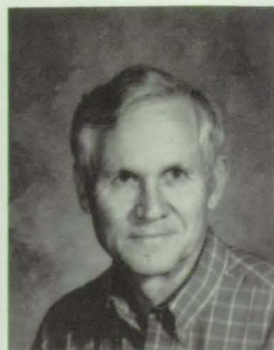
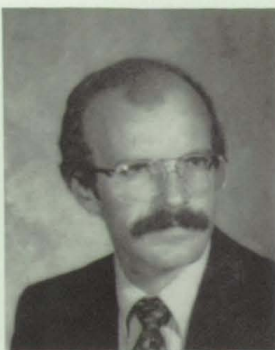
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 Col. Paul Hunter, R.O.T.C.



Rayma Ireland,
 Special Education
 Diana Jessup,
 Business

Encourages Hard Work . . .

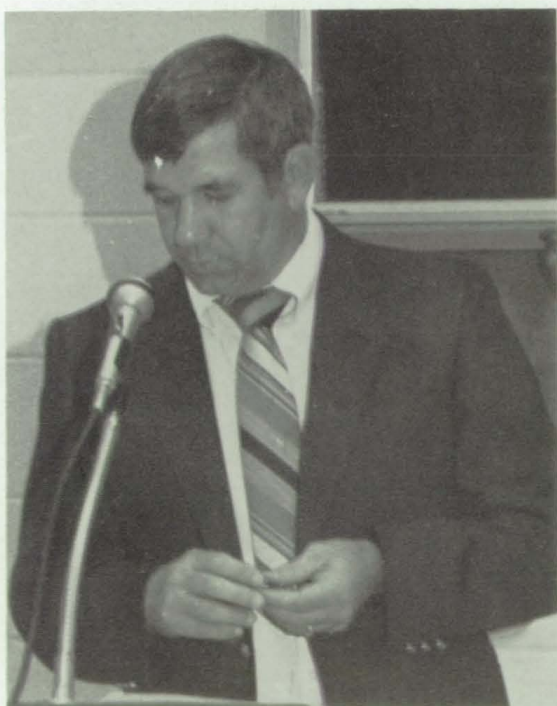
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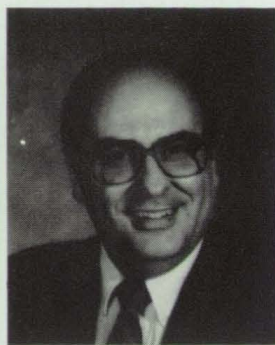
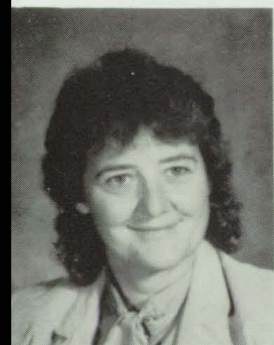


Beverly Lewis, Special Education
Bill Lewis, Business
Jahala Long, Guidance Counselor
Sallye Mallory, Social Studies

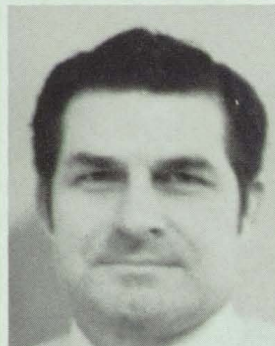
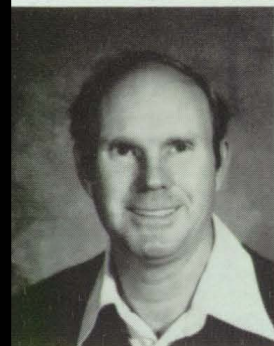


(right - Mrs. Manhattan is joined in celebrating her birthday by (l-r) Miss Tiller, Mrs. Rugh, Miss Todd, and Mrs. Harlan who brought her some flowers supposedly as old as she. (Below) Coach Young looks over his list of football players while presenting letters at the fall sports banquet.

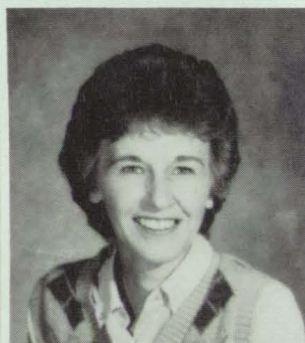




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Donna McIntire, Math
Sharon Meredith, Librarian
Robin Montz, Psychology



George Morehead, Math
Leslie Ochenbein, Special Education
Peggy Payne, Librarian
James Rhoades, C.O.E.



Linda Richardson, Science
Sharon Roberts, Typing, Business



Kenny Rogers, P.E., Health
Nancy Rugh, Language Arts, Publications

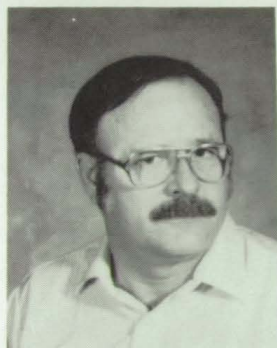


Coach Sides tries to make Chemistry a little easier through the use of the overhead.

In The Search For Success



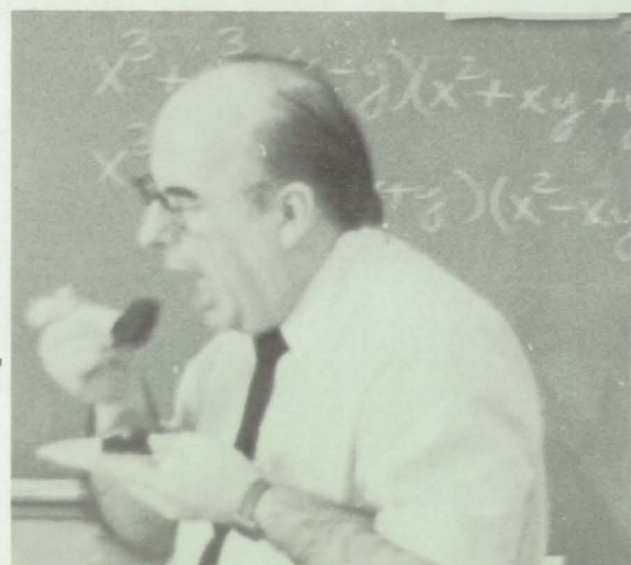
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Joe Schibi, German, Social Studies
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Phylis Shaffer, Guidance Counselor



Roger Sides, Chemistry
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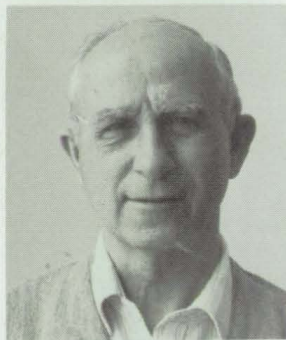
(left)-During a Psychology Club meeting, Mr. Montz enjoys a little snack. (upper left)- During practice for the play "Once Upon a Mattress," Miss Tiller sets the tempo. With her help the play was a big success. (upper right)- Before a football game, Mr. Kelso, Mr. Widder and Sgr. Valade relax and enjoy some coffee.



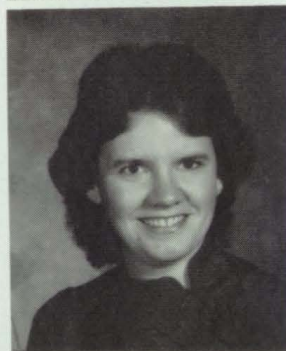
(below)- During the fall sports banquet, Mrs. Cummins recognizes the great job the cheerleaders did during football season.



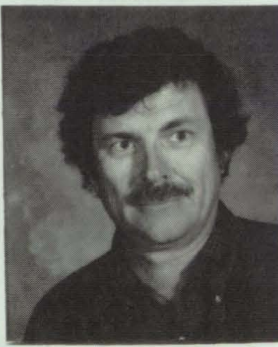
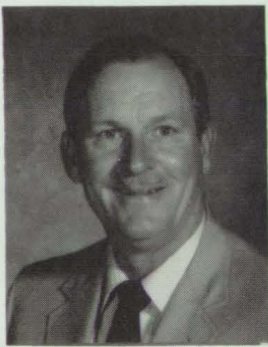
Suzanne Tiller, Vocal Music



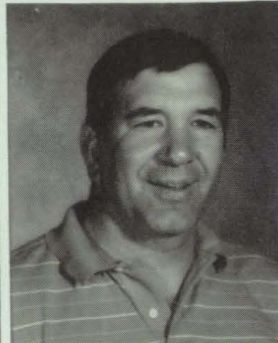
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Don Ward, Agriculture
Gary Warren, Art



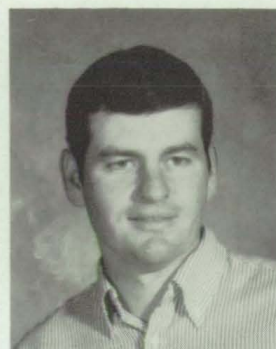
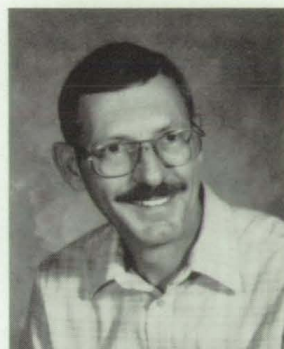
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Marcella Winn, Math
Karen Wylie, Special Education
Phil Young, Athletic Director

Junior High Faculty Seeks Goals

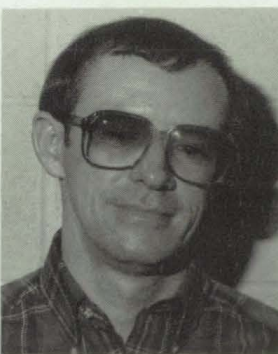
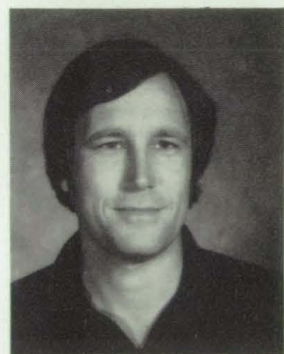
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Warren Cagle
Science
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Bob Gillispie
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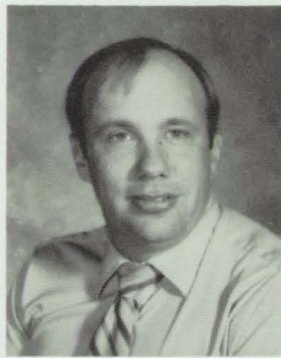
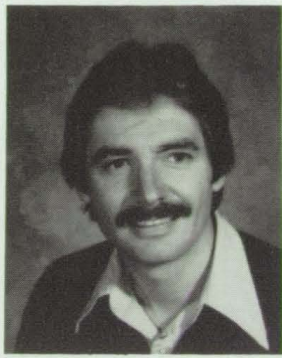


Marie Hardie
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Clione Harfield
Counselor
Norma Hildreth
Reading
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Art

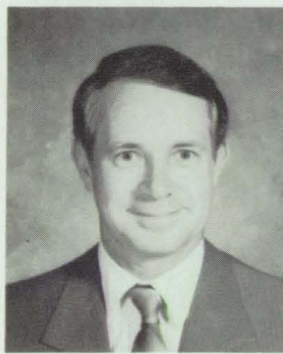
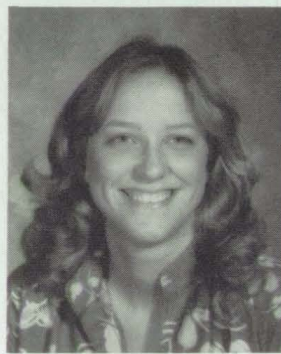
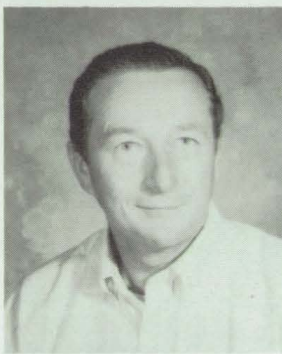
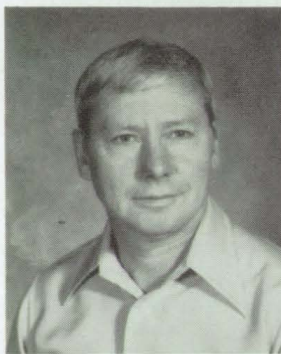


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Duane Jenkins
Art
Don Jessen
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Kevin Johnson
Industrial Arts

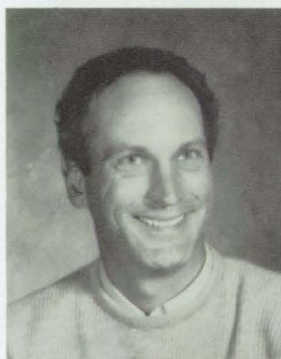




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Tom Marrs
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Linda Martin
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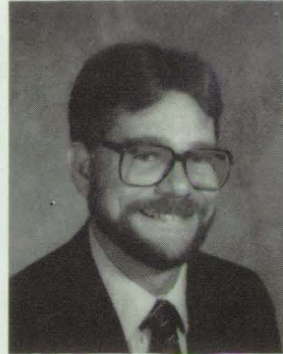
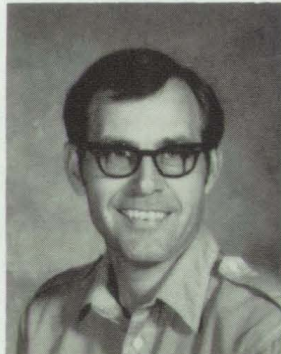
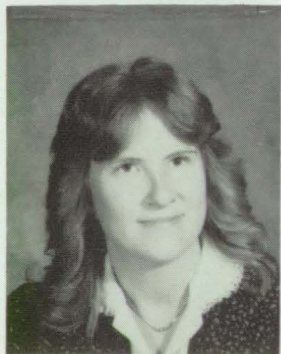
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Ron Paden
Science



Alan Potter
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Home Economics



Susan Shively
Vocal Music
Loretta Sims
Physical Education



Raven Sponsler
Science/Social Studies
Jeanette Sreinbaugh
Speech Therapist
David Tarrar
Math
Steve Widder
Instrumental Music

Mrs. Hardie has taught seventh grade Language Arts at Neosho for fifteen years. Before coming to Neosho, she taught at Granby, Mo., and Collinsville, Ok.

Mrs. Hardie says that she has always wanted to teach. She believes that teaching is challenging because she has an audience all day. She also believes that teachers have to love children and they have to enjoy seeing the students learn.

"A teacher uses all of her talents. Nothing is wasted," according to Mrs. Hardie's philosophy of teaching.

"What I remember most about Mrs. Hardie is her laugh, and the way she always made learning fun," remarked Michelle Murphy, ninth.

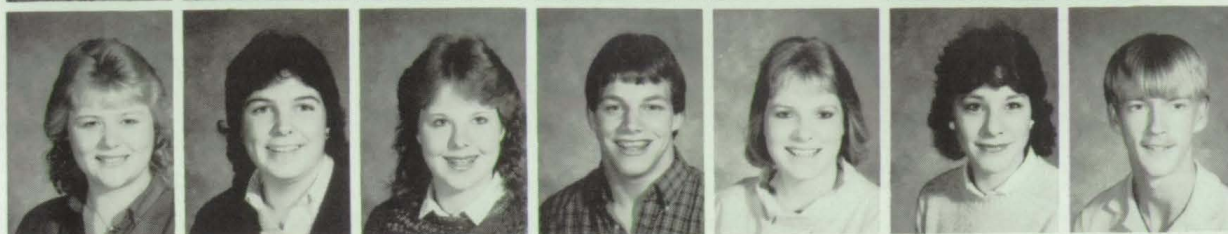
Becky Rucker, ninth, said, "She is really a great teacher. She is the type of person you can talk to and know she wouldn't tell."

Mrs. Hardie will be long remembered by the students she has taught.

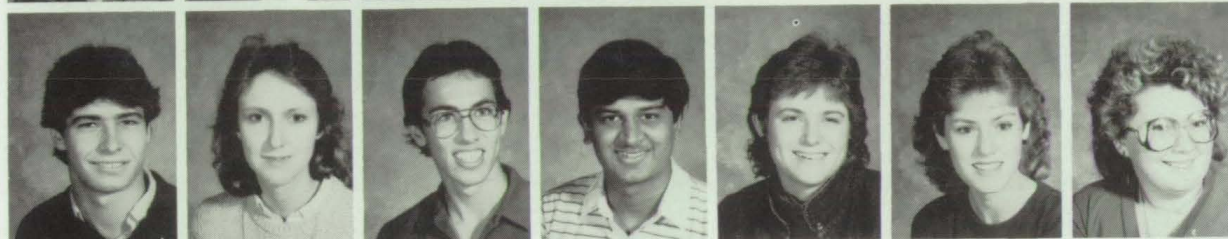
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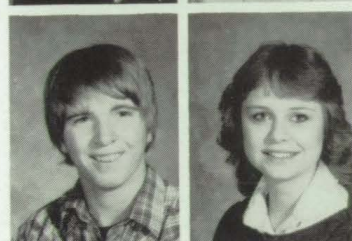
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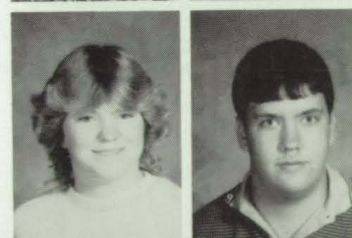
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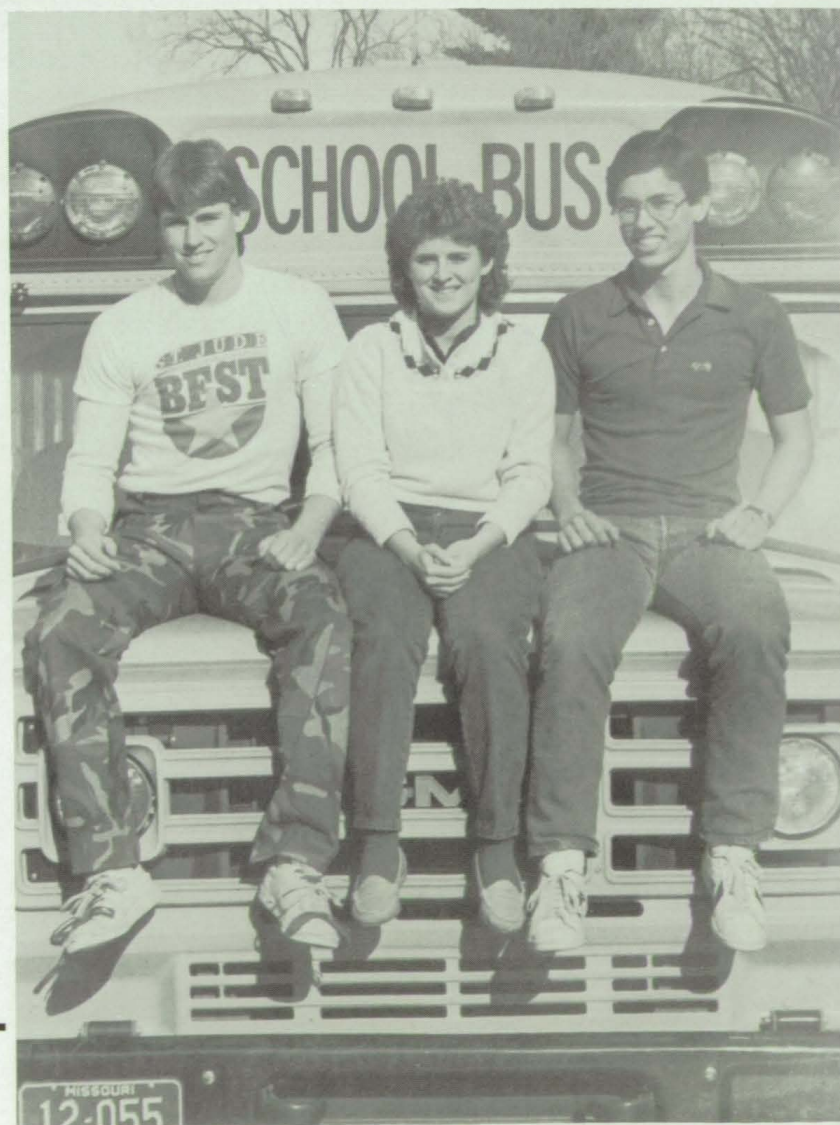
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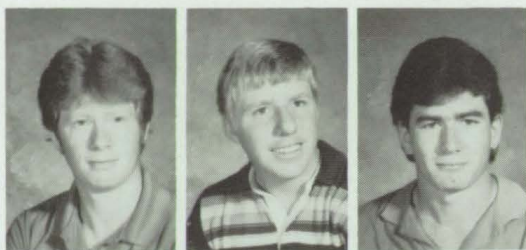
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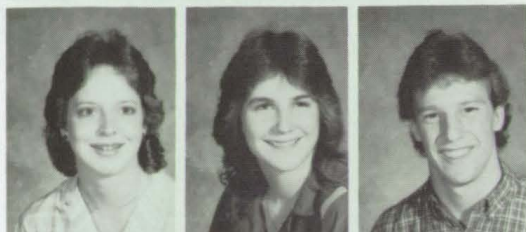
1984-85 Junior class officers are, left to right: Mick Ward President, Jo Glover, Secretary, and Pat Berrch, Vice President.

Juniors Discover The Right Moves

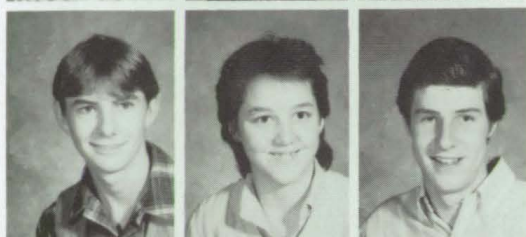
Juniors await their 8:25 destination while sitting on the bench.



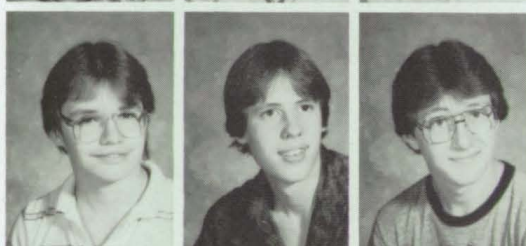
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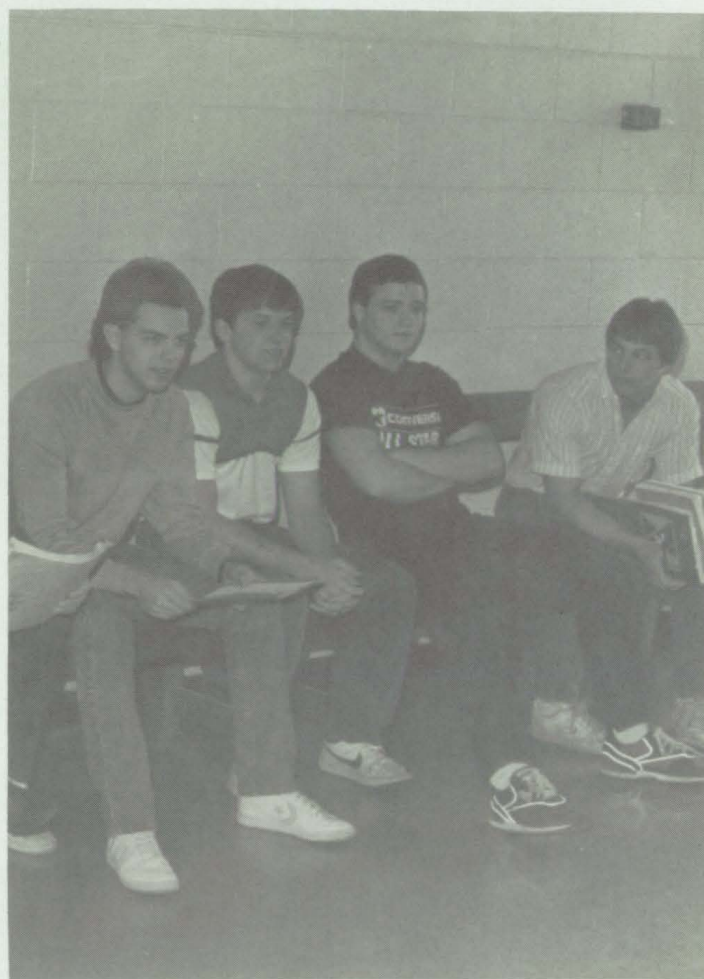
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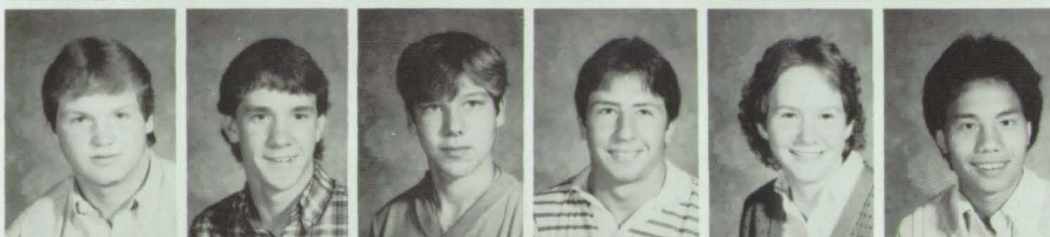
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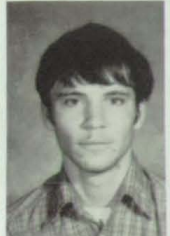


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Tim Deneffrio
Vicki Deneffrio
Mia Denman
David Dion

Becoming The Spirit Leaders . . .

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Cayla Dodson
Marc Dubois
Paige Duqueate
Craig Eaton
Loree Ebbinghaus
Becky Ebbs

Rick Edens
Elizabeth Enloe
Rex Ernest
Penny Evans
Gerald Ezell
Jennifer Fair
Terry Farley



Garry Fausett
Lori Fitzgerald
Karen Galloway



Bob Galvin
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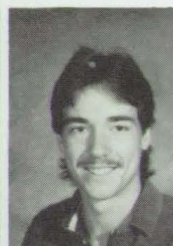


J is for Juniors
U is for unbeatable
n is for never ending talents
i is for invincible
o is for outgoing
r is for remembrance
s is for super success

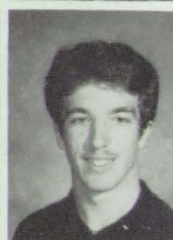
Jo Glover, Leigh Olive, and Tracy Lyons get help from Don Versluis and Charles Genisio during a pep assembly.



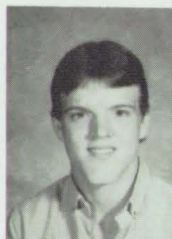
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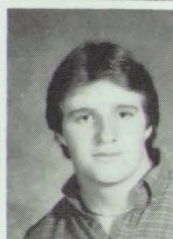
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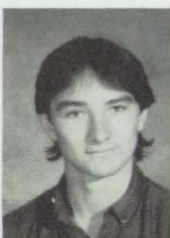
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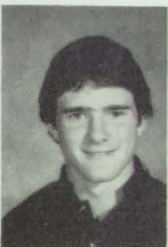
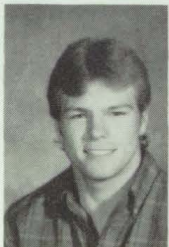
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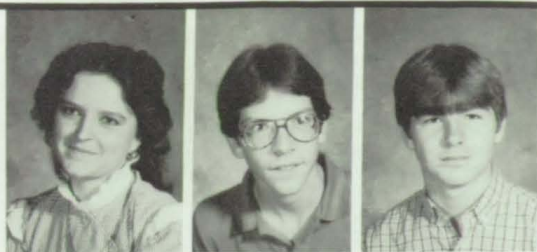


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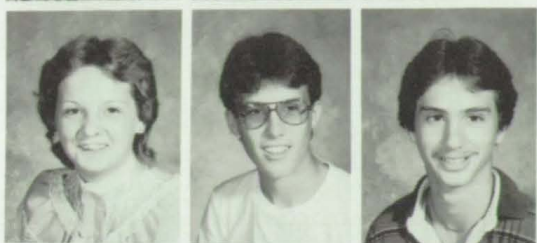


With Their Spunk And Enthusiasm

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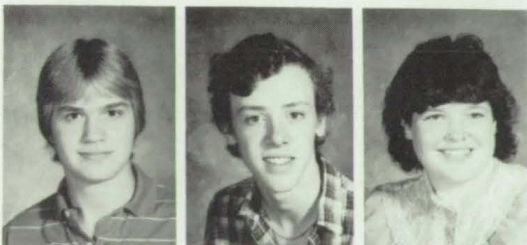
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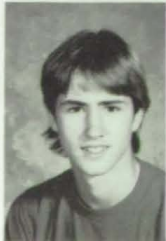
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Beckie Johnson takes time out during hall decorations to model her Homecoming attire.



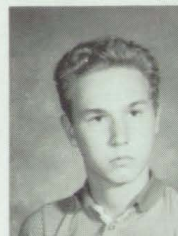
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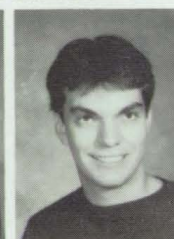
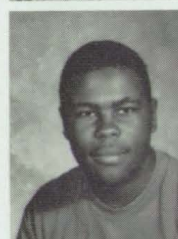
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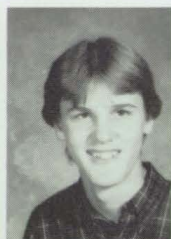
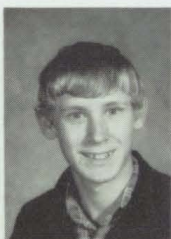
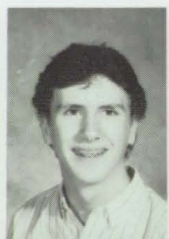
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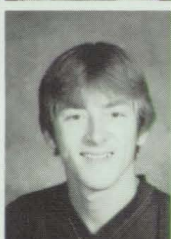
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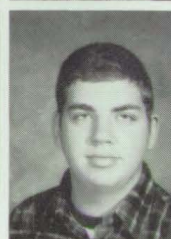
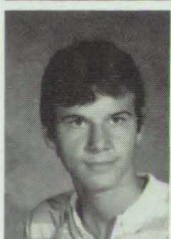
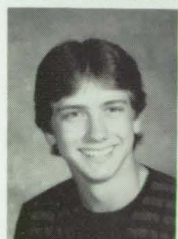
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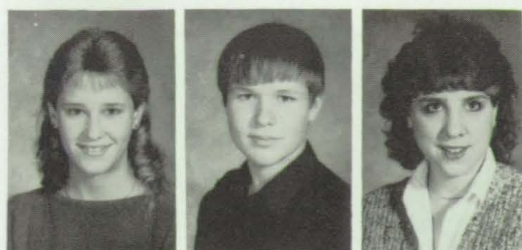
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Teresa Rinehart
LaDonna Roberts
Troy Roberts

As They Strive Toward '86

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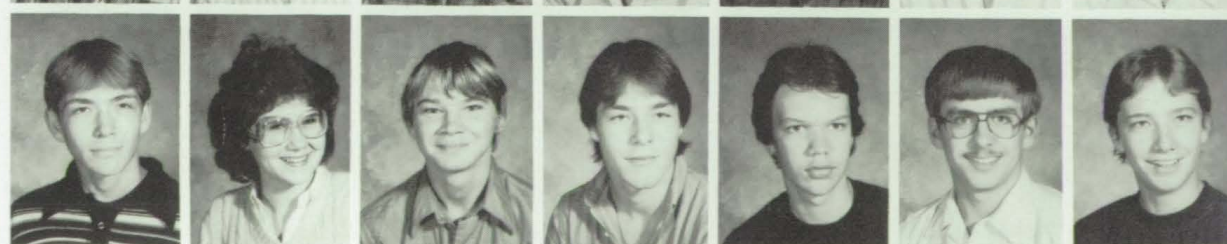
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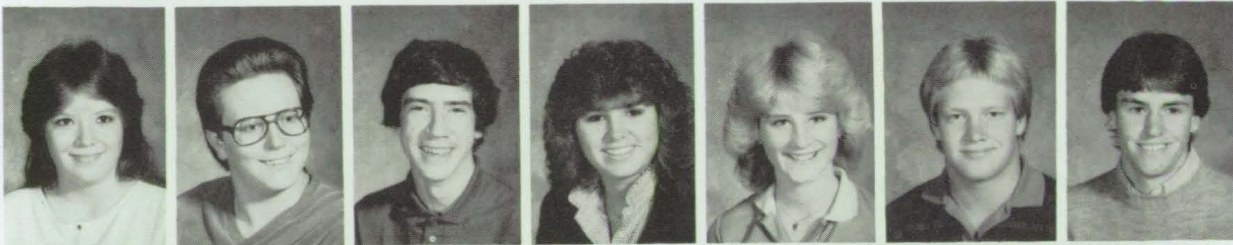
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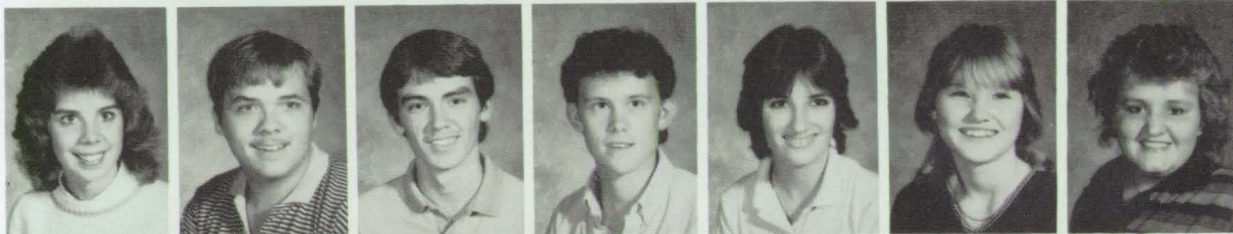
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Juniors show their Wildcat Pride during Football Homecoming.



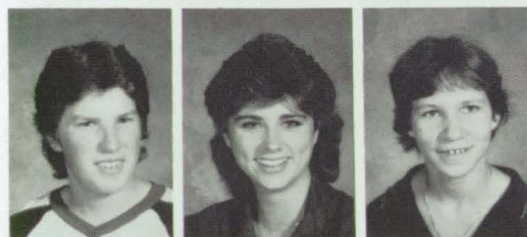
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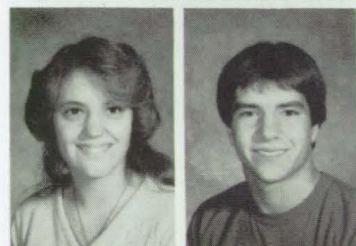
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Jim Windhorst



Mark Wise
Julia Wood
Tommy Woodrum



Karmen Yeary
Brad Young



COOP-40, and AJ-34 are two personalized license plates owned by Shawn Cooper, left, and Allen Jones, right.

Sophomores Enjoy A Special Year Filled With Spirit And Excitement . . .

The Sophomore year is always a great one as the little Frosh suddenly graduate into a higher class. No more degrading Frosh jokes or feelings of insignificance, and you can walk down the crowded halls without getting trampled into the ground. But it's also a puzzling time of being right in the middle — not Freshmen, but not Varsity either. People tend to ignore your teams as being not important and you might even wonder if they're right sometimes. But don't worry because this year will be a great one and it will pass swiftly, turning you into Upperclassmen!

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Amé Adams
Kim Adams
Sidney Allen



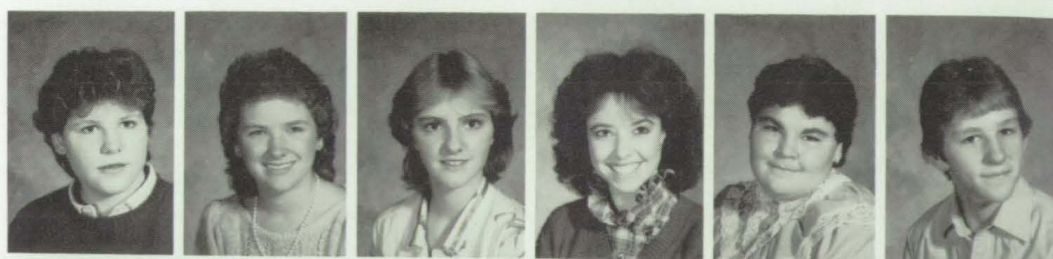
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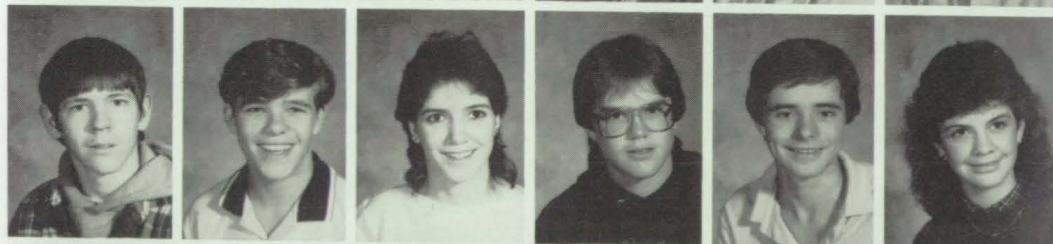
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Stacy Bandy
Abby Barnes
Angie Bartlett



Michelle Beauchamp
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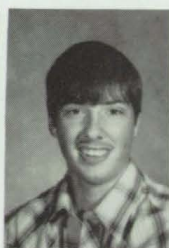
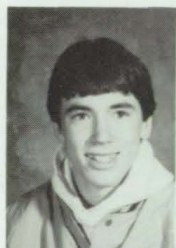


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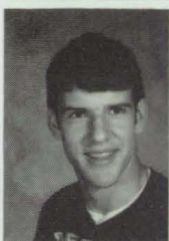
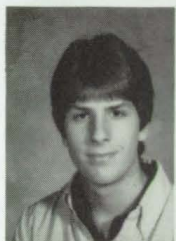


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LaRhonda Burdiss
Candy Burrows
Rick Dush
Tommy Butterworth
Dena Caddy





Phillip Cameron
Kevin Cagle
John Carpenter
Dena Carroll
Jennifer Carrer
Thomas Case



Kevin Castleberry
Keith Cathcart
J.W. Cauthon
Billie Cerine
Skipper Choate
Brandie Cholka



Kristi Clang
Christi Claycomb
Kellie Cline
Tim Cockreham
Jon Cole
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Brian Cox
Janice Craig
Tana Cummins



Gordon Dabbs
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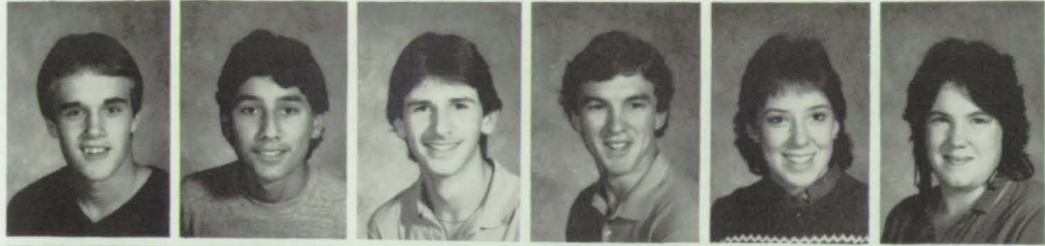
Jack Daugherty
Lisa Daugherty
Dawn Davies

Busily painting, Trish McMahan works on one of the Sophomore hall decorations for Basketball Homecoming, helping her classmates win overall spirit and best hall decorations.



And Look Forward To Their Next Two Years

Brett Day
Pepe Derryberry
Shawn Dilday
Steven Douglas
Kimberly Drake
Pam Dykes



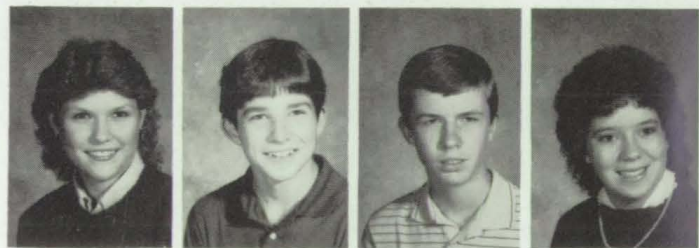
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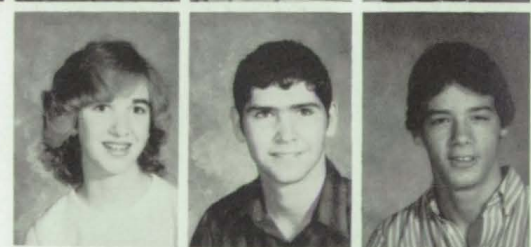
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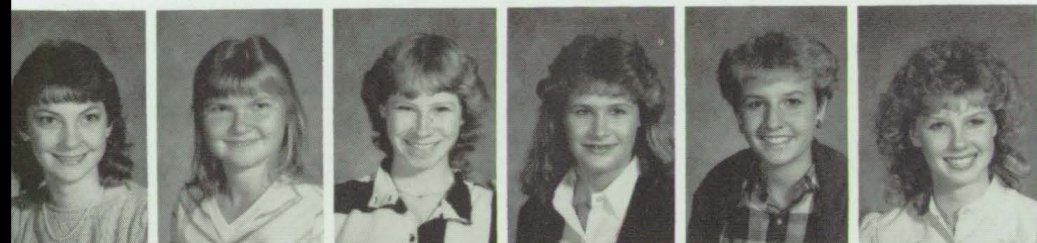
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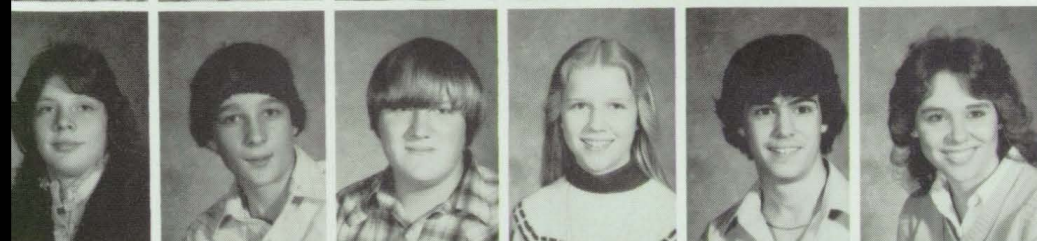
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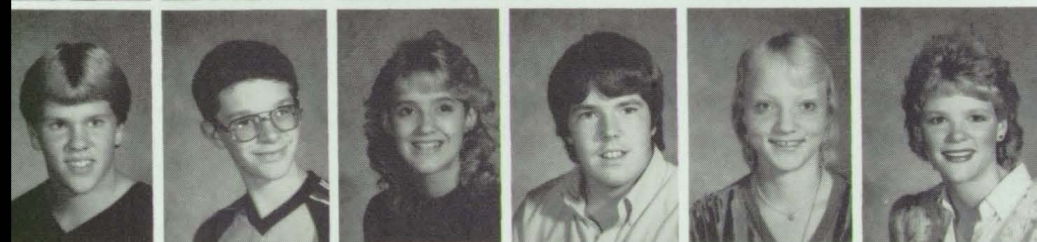
Two of the four Sophomore cheerleaders, Marsha Ward and Ashley Henson, take time out from a basketball game to give each other a friendly hug, then returned to the court to cheer Neosho on.



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Kim Haslip
Heather Heman
Ashley Henson
Kimberly Herron
Susan Herron



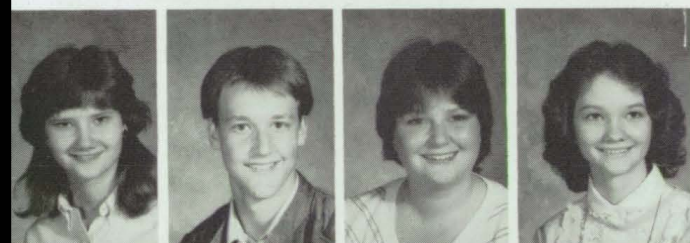
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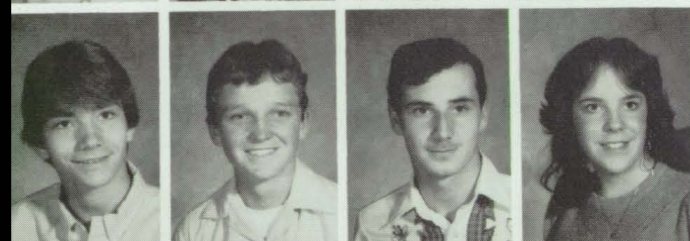
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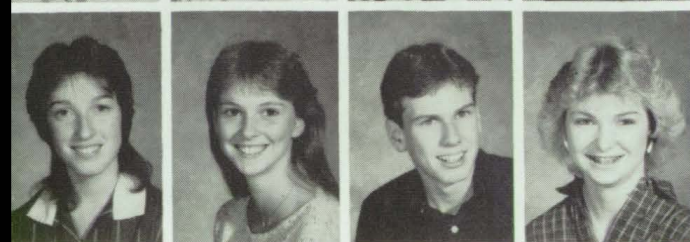
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Mike Jackson
Marla James
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Lorra Jones
Eric Jenson
Tammy Jorden
Tammy Kendall



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Eric Kinsch
Terri Kittrell



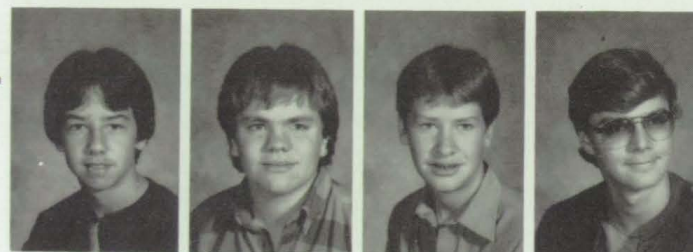
Tammy Kohl
Kristi Koile
Jeffery Kurse
Tausha Kruse

The sophomore varsity cheerleaders, Tana Cummins, Marsha Ward, Shawna Galbraith, and Ashley Henson really had a great year as the varsity squad's youngest member. This was the first year that the varsity cheerleading squad contained sophomores and these four girls made it successful. They performed at pep assemblies, at football and basketball games, and for the public, in parades and band performances. They were very energetic, cheerful, and helpful. They led their class in the VICTORY chant and helped lead our teams to victory.

As They Assume Leadership And Responsibility . . .

School Spirit is the Sophomore's middle name and they certainly worked hard. They spent long hours decorating their hall space for homecoming and making rags. For basketball homecoming, the Sophomores really carried the honors, and during basketball, they did the same thing. They won both hall decorations and over-all spirit, and really got wild and crazy for the contests. They roared during the pep assembly, yelled the loudest, and really showed the other classes how proud they were. Trish McMahan, the Sophomore attendant, received cheers and glowed with pride as she prettily represented her class during the Basketball Homecoming.

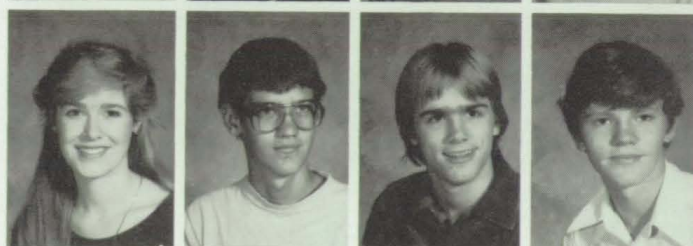
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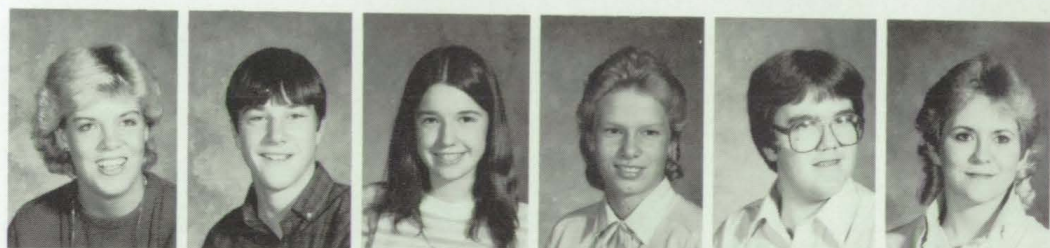
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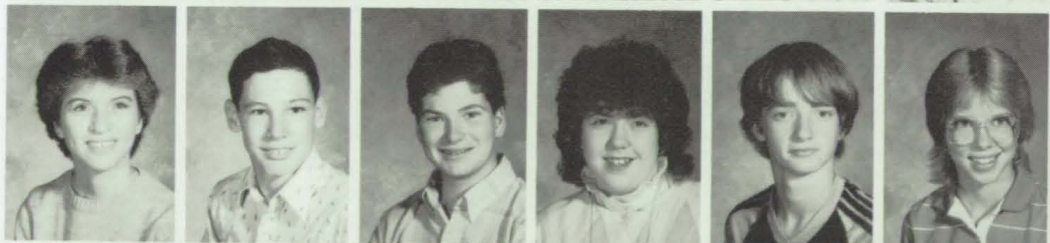
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Lance Massey
Richie Matters
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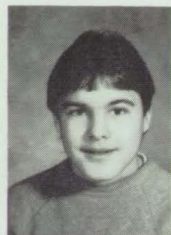
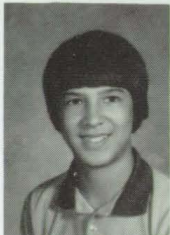


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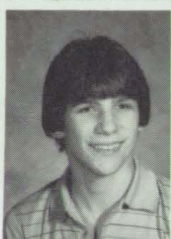
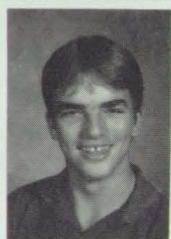




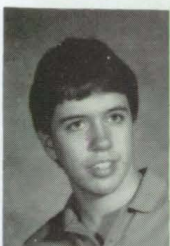
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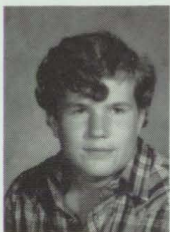
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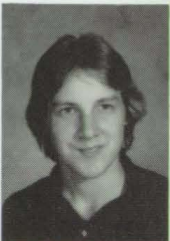
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Teresa Poore
Bill Powers
Chad Prater
Jason Proctor



Stuart Puckett
Mari Purvis
Tim Ranslow



Lisa Rash
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Iretha Reynolds



Robin Reynolds
Anna Rodriguez
Tonia Rogers



Amy Roper
Tony Sage
Kim Sargeant

Down on hands and knees, Stephen Douglas works hard on the Sophomore hall decorations for Basketball Homecoming, while Jon Pearman leans down and gives advice.



And Press Onward To '87 . .

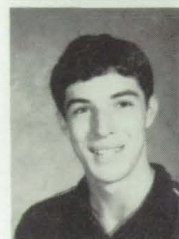
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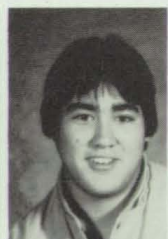
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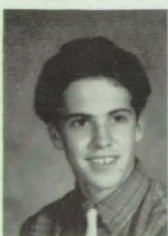
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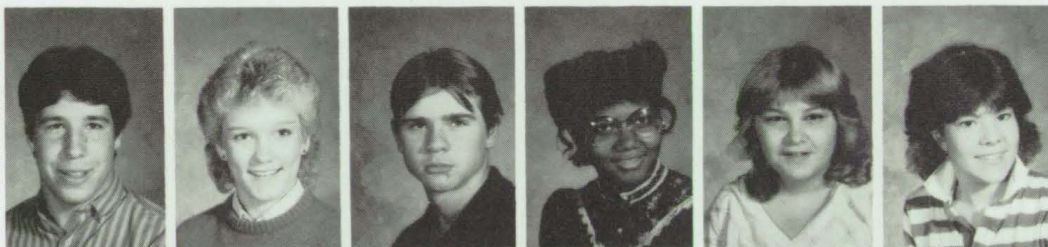
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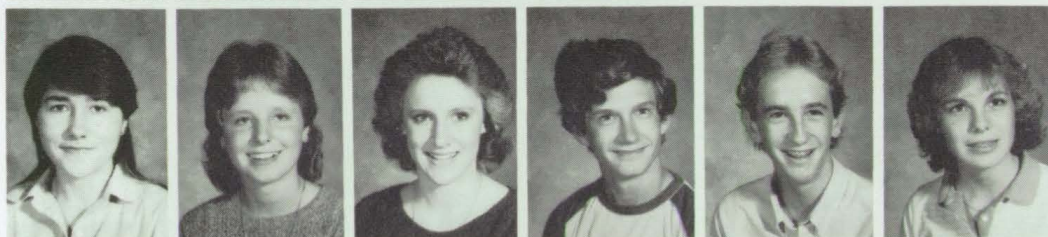
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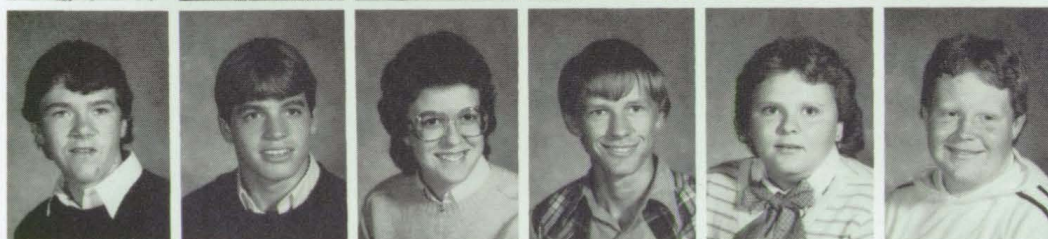
One team that really doesn't get a whole lot of attention is the Junior Varsity Team, or JV. They aren't noticed as much as the Freshmen team, who provide new faces to observe, or the Varsity, who are always really hot. But the JV team are by no means insignificant or average. Their football team and basketball team played well and the players all learned a lot from this year's experiences. They are the Varsity's future stars and aren't to be ignored or treated as "low life". They had a very successful season, played well, and made the High School really proud of them.



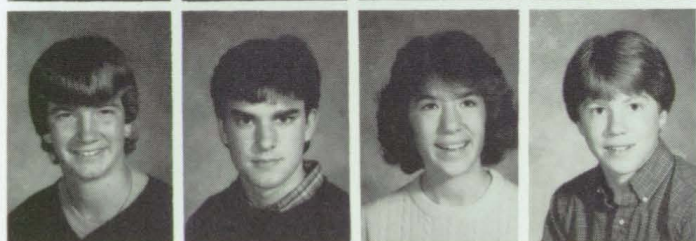
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Christy Vincent
Michelle Vreeland



Kellie Wade
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Scott Whirman
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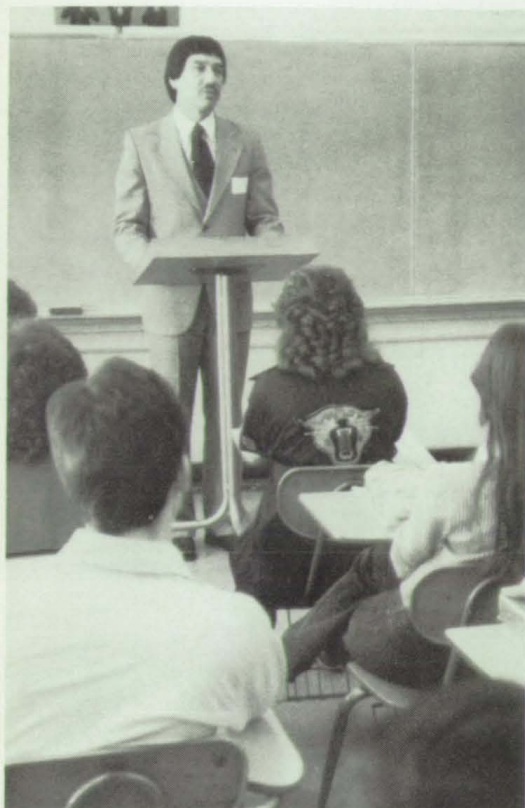


Scott Wolfe
Rodney Woodrum
Brenda Young
Mark Young



The two Sophomore class officers, Stuart Puckett (President) and Maria Berz (Secretary) really put forth a lot of effort this year. The responsibility was loaded onto their shoulders because they didn't have the help of a Vice-President. But that didn't hold them back a bit, as they led their class on to winning Overall Spirit at Basketball Homecoming, quite an accomplishment for a Sophomore class. They also served on committees that attempted to correct parking problems and helped put up the pretty Christmas lights that were over the main door of the High School. These two showed strength, responsibility, and a lot of spirit as they took control of their class and led them into a very productive year.

Freshmen Step Into A New World . . .



The Free Enterprise System plays a major role in lives of today. Freshman start out young to learn just that. Tom Thorne, area businessman, talks to students about the business world.

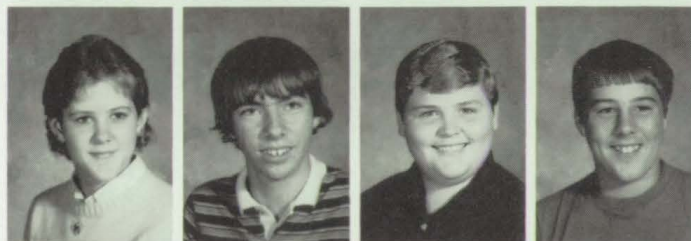
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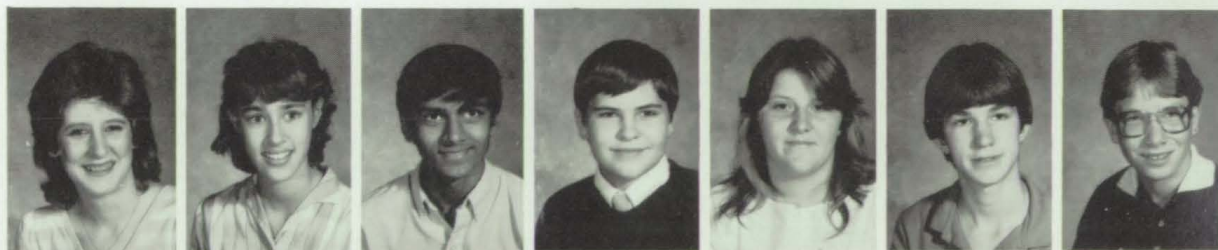
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Jack Bartlett
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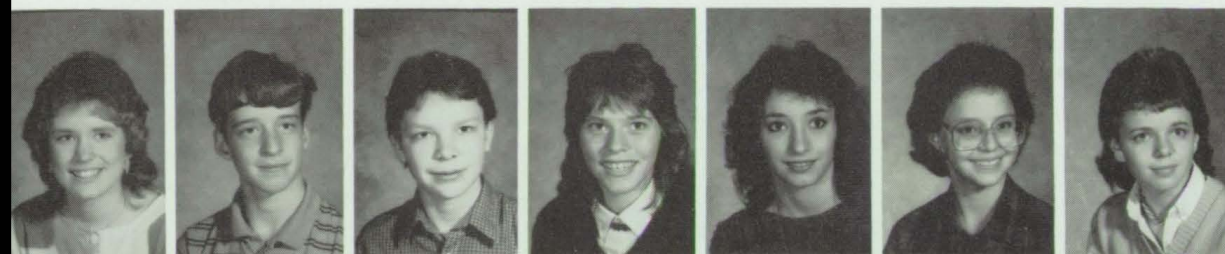


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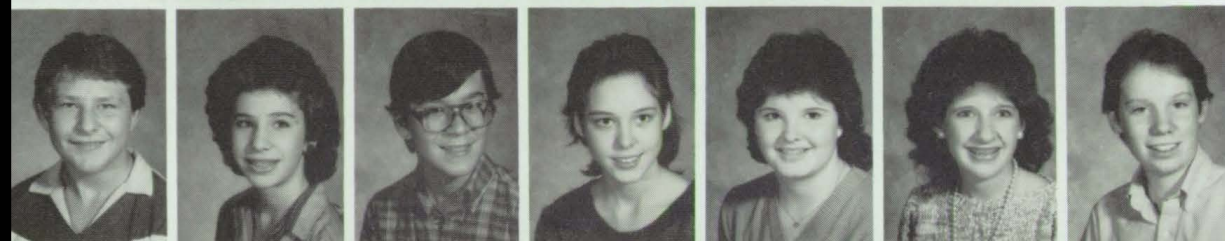


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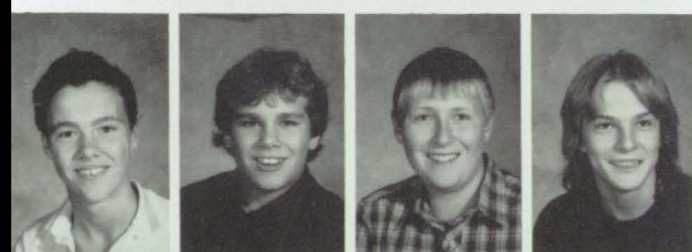
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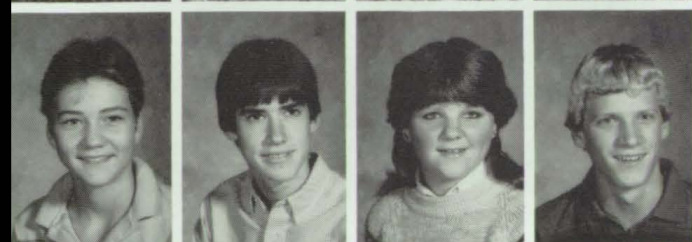
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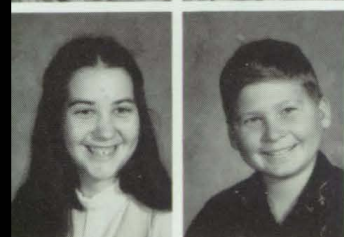
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Max Dunham
Patty Dye
Dale England
Gary England



David Erickson
Brent Evans
Denise Evans
Jeff Fackler



Kristy Farr
B. J. Farrell



Jimmy Fellows

Romance is always in the air at Neosho High School. Janelle Slater and Brian Shields are two freshman sweethearts who live up to that expectation.



And Start Their Climb As . . .

Sitting on the benches is always a big step up into high school life. This year's frosh can now experience what all other freshman have in the past, sitting on the benches. Not only can a person sit on the bench and watch the people walk by, it is also possible to find out where Beverly Hills Cop is playing, the new song "Can't Fight This Feeling", by REO Speedwagon, where those darling crop pants can be found, Newmans, no doubt, or who the latest couples are. Those are just a few of the many conversations held on the Freshman benches. Besides, that's what benches are for to find out the latest gossip, meet new friends, talk with that special person or just relax and get a breather from teachers and massive school work.

Sharon Forrenbaugh
Linda Foster
Shawn Freund
Jim Fry



Tara Gabell
Tina Gabel
Duane Garren
Ricky Geller



Andrew Genisio
Mike Gilbert
Lena Gains
Mendi Gains



Mike Gooch
Tina Goodman
Tonga Graham
Jack Grant
Suzanne Gray



Tonia Gurwell
Peggy Gustavson
Cindee Hale
Sheila Hames
Becky Harper
Lisa Harris
Lynn Harris



Kevin Harrison
Troy Harryman
Bryan Hartgrave
Renee Head
Rebecka Hembree
Keith Henning
Carey Hickman

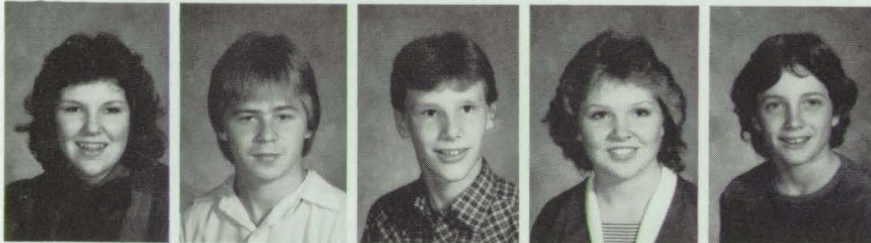


Edi Highfill
Kelly Hill
Kevin Hill
Raymond Hines
Michael Holland
Michelle Hollis
Jason Holm





Jason Holms, Brent Owens, Cory Kruse, William Westrom, Warren Ogden and Christian Oathout relax during lunch before going back to the grind of books and lectures.



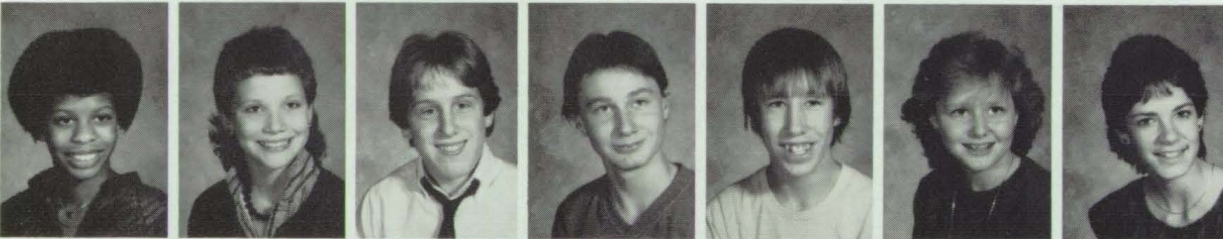
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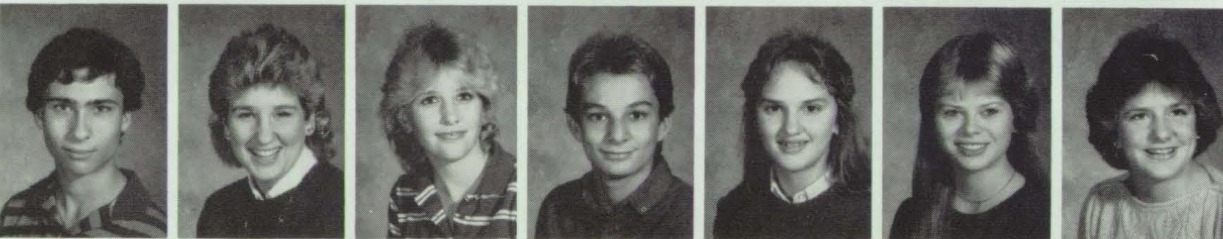
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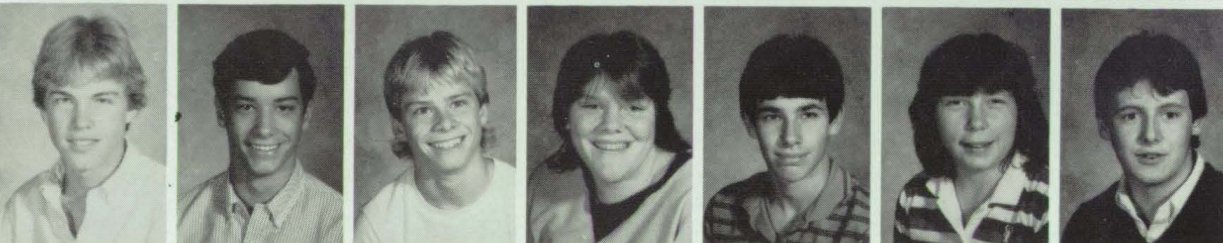
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Leslee Jansz
Kenneth Jarosz
Amy Jarrett
Christie Jennings



Angela Johnson
Darci Johnson
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Marc Johnson
Susannah Johnson



Doug Jones
Shawndel Jones
Amanda Jordan
Mike Keels
Abby Keller
Catherine Kelly
Tresha Kelly



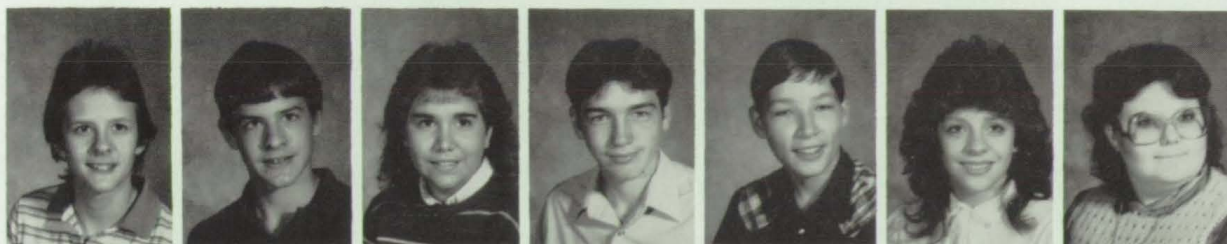
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Brent Lauber

They Can't Wait To Reach For . . .

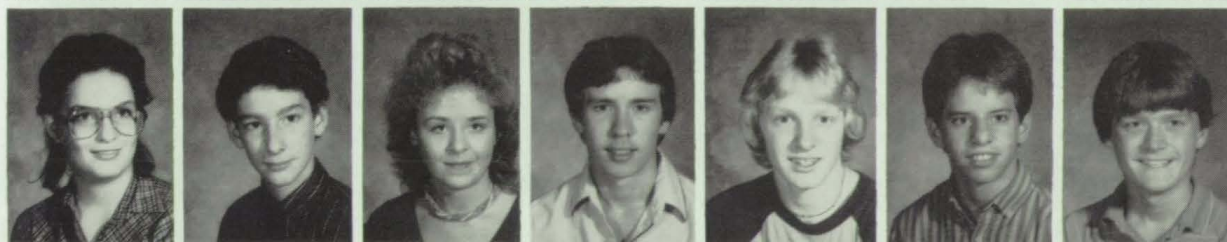
A class couldn't run smoothly without the help of class officers and student council representatives. Warren Ogden, Greg Pearmen, Becky Harper, and Renee Roark are there when a freshman problem arises. Phil Tilley and Blake Day are president and vice president respectively.



Holly Lehar
Todd Lehar
Kristi Lett
Troy Lewis
Bret Lierens
Trudy Little
Mary Loving



Teresa Loving
Lance Lusby
Valerie Lyons
Loy Mahan
Kevin Mallory
Terry Manz
Brent Marion



Randy Martin
Dennis Mason
Becky Masoner
Steven Mayer
Tammy McBride
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Lee McDaniel
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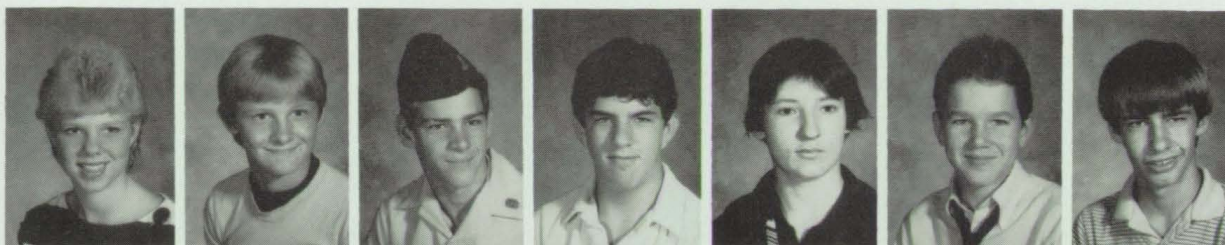


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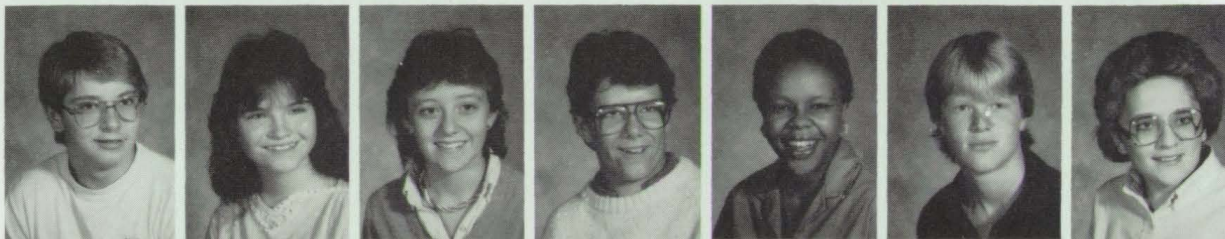


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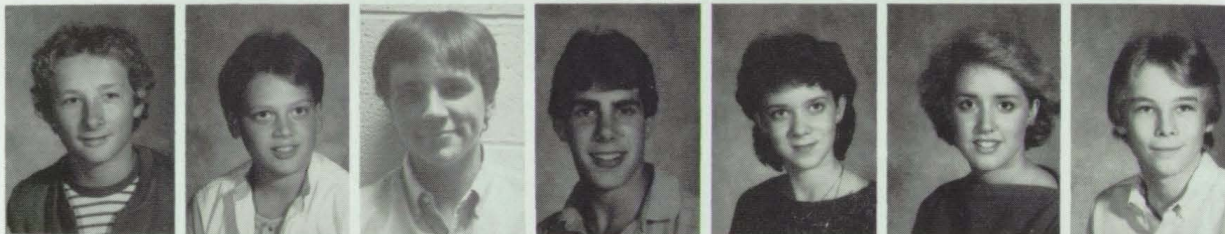




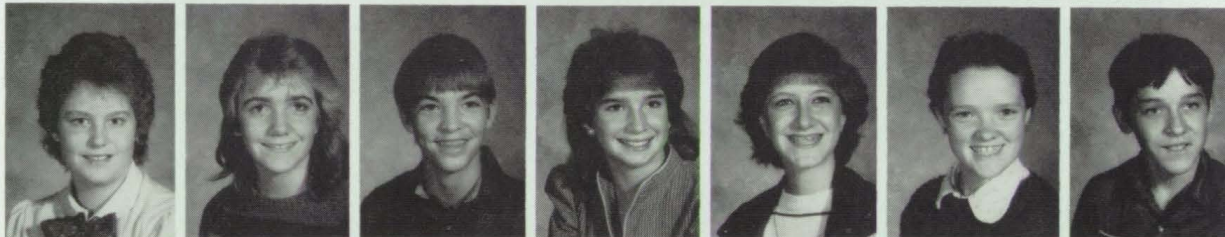
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Christina Parks
Chip Parmley
Gayle Parsons



Darrell Patterson
Jeff Paul
Curtis Payne
Greg Pearman
Susan Pearson
Dana Phelps
Brad Picht



Amy Poor
Lynette Powers
Kevin Pruitt
Kellie Ralston
Rebecca Ramsey
Becky Ranslow
John Rash



Jeannine Rasmussen
Tammy Rasmussen
Shane Rawlins
Karla Reed
Lenora Reed
Barb Reeve
Jeff Renfro



Tina Rhine
Robin Rice
Renee Roark



Kim Roberts

Shawndel Jones and Paula McGarrah claim the bench to watch the excitement in the halls.

Success In '88

Randy Roberts
Angela Rodriguez
Jay Rowley
Greg Ruark
Becky Rucker
Jamee Sandlin
Sreven Schnackenberg



Joe Schuler
Chris Shawick
Trey Shaw
Robert Sheppard
Bryan Shields
Clnr Shine
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Eric Shoenberger
Doug Skelton
Janelle Slater
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Dawne Smith
James Smith
Joe Smith



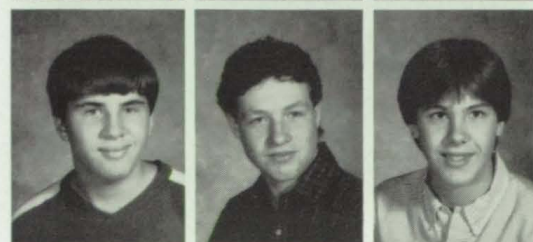
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Matthew Snow
Joe Somma
Dexter Snyder



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Donnie Sumner
Andy Swift
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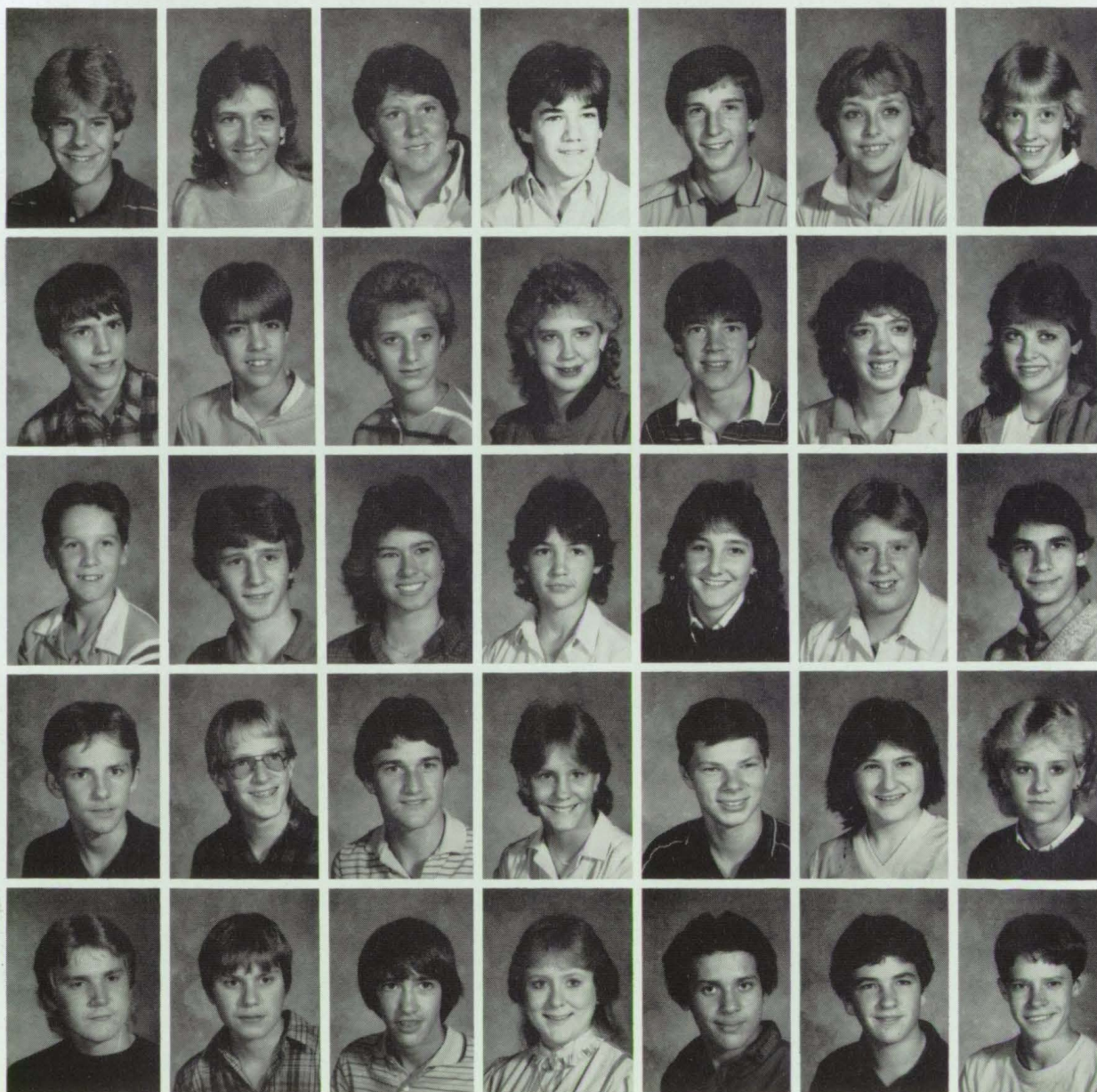


A locker states personality. What better way to show a teenage girl's personality then by having a locker full of the latest heartthrobs.





Freshmen stand up and say "NO" to homework
... or would like to.



John Thexron
Danette Thomas
Audrey Thompson
Martel Tignor
Phil Tilley
Brenda Todd
Amber Townsend

Tracy Craig
Matt Trainer
Becky Toxel
Kim VanWinkle
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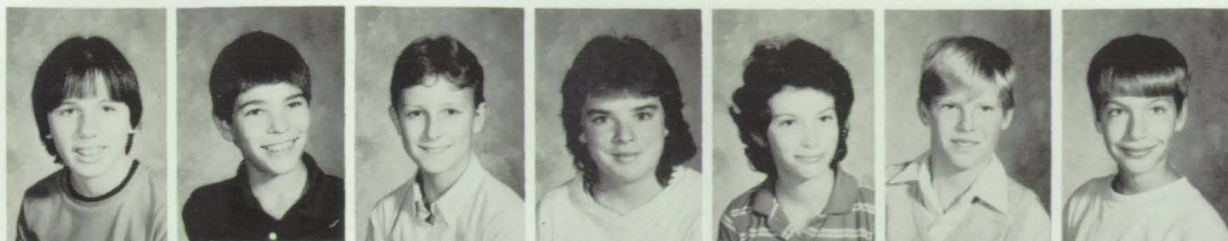
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Shelli Willis
Amber Wilson

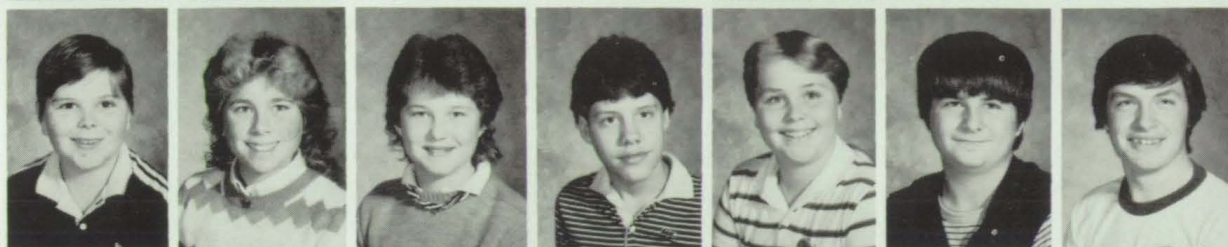
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Phil Wise
David Wood
Kerri Woods
Erron Wright
Shaun Yerington
Ken Yoder

Eighth Graders End Their Rule . . .

Kyle Ackerson
Scott Acton
Kevin Allen
Vicki Allgood
Carrie Anderson
Billy Arnce
Charlie Arnce



Johnny Arnett
Kristi Babler
Heather Bach
Kirk Ballard
Joe Barnes
Paul Bartholomew
Clayton Bares



Janell Beauchamp
Kipp Bechold
Dusty Bell
James Bell
Susan Bentz
Bo Biggs
Andria Blake



Sheryl Blakeley
Richard Bland
Andy Bowling
Tricia Bowman
Melanie Boyer
Steve Bressie
Mike Bridges



Jerry Briley
Dennis Browning
Lori Brumback
Hope Bryan

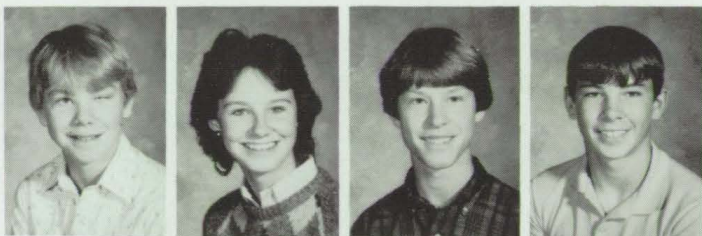


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Ann Carrer



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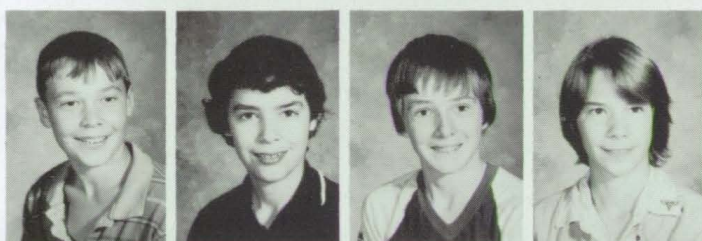




Chad Clark
Stephanie Clark
John Claybrook
Randy Cleaver



J.C. Clements
Scott Clements
Carey Clouse
Mike Coe



Scott Coe
Eric Coiner
Dennis Cole
Monte Conklin



Mike Connes
Marquira Cook
Reaive Cook
Will Cook

Several eighth grade students were asked what they would will to the seventh graders for next year if given the chance. Some of the responses were:

Tim Newdigger-The new part of the Junior High.

LaDonna Scott-All the books and teachers and messy lockers and crammed halls, etc . . .

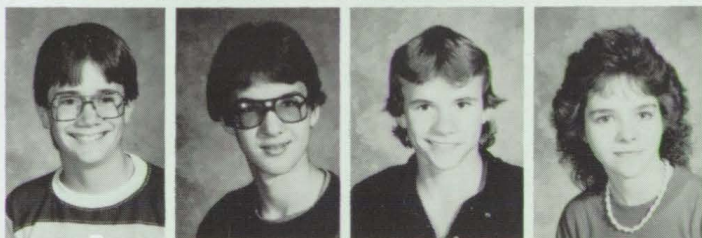
Van Dang-Good luck!

Dusty Bell-Have fun during football season while you can.

Michele McIlvaine-Mr. Newton's math class.

Stephanie Clark-Hopes for an eighth grade bench.

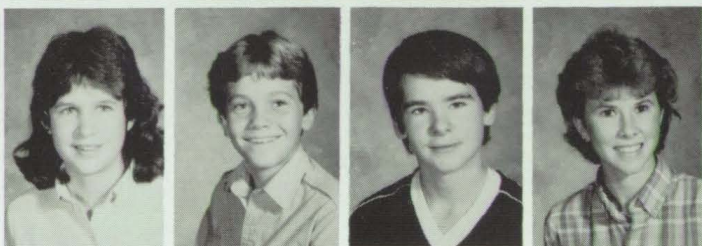
Brent Powell-Watch out for mean teachers.



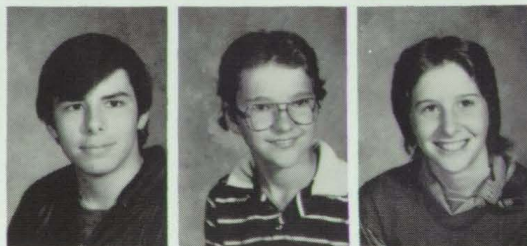
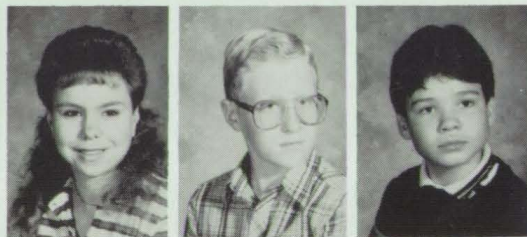
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Brian Crockford
Chad Cross



Tom Crowell
Thuy Dang
Van Dang
Jason Daughtery
Belinda Deland
Todd Deneffrio
Wayne Dickison



Tracie Diggs
Loren Dobbs
Shane Ducommus
Angie Dudolski
Louis Durran
Sam Eaton
Christy Echols



As They Enter High School Becoming Frosh . . .



"Now remember Willie, when I'm a Senior I get to be you."

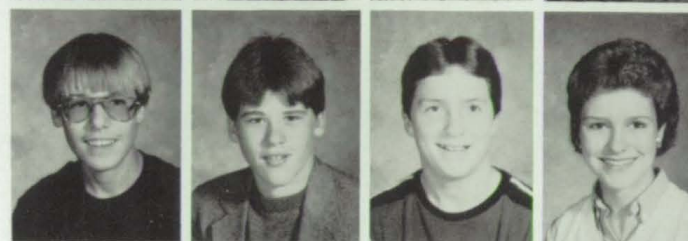
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Kelly Evans



Randy Ezell
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Dale Fisher
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Marry Foster
Jon Franks
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Shelly Freund



James Galbraith
Claudette Galvin
Laura Gardner
Paul Gardner



Scott Garran
Randy Gibson
Kandis Glavin
Kirsten Goode
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Tommy Greer
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Jenny Griffith
Carson Guest
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Danny Hale

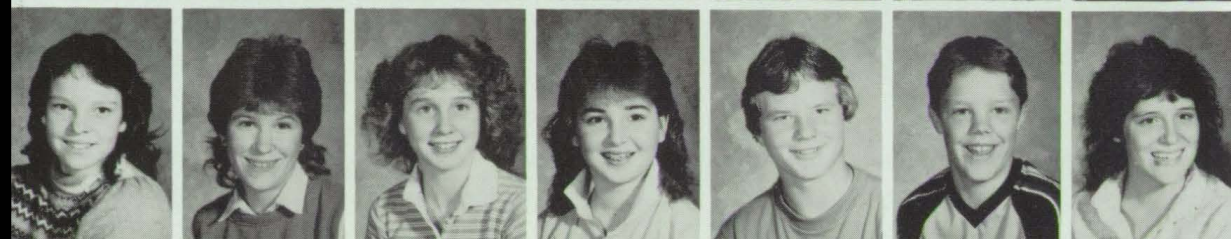


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Shawn Hardy
Lauren Harlan

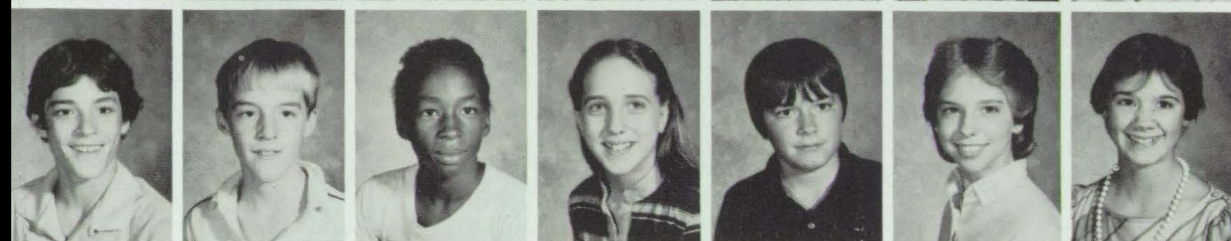




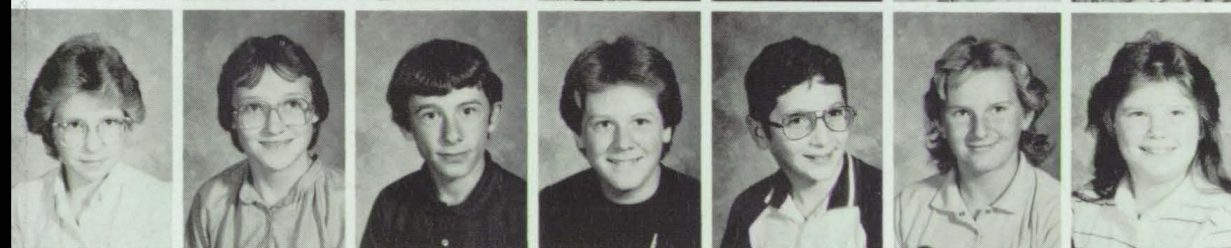
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Sherry Hedman
Carrer Henson
Penny Hickman
Ken Hieronymus



Elizabeth Hill
Tina Hodkins
Kandi Hood
Christy Hoover
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Tony Hunt
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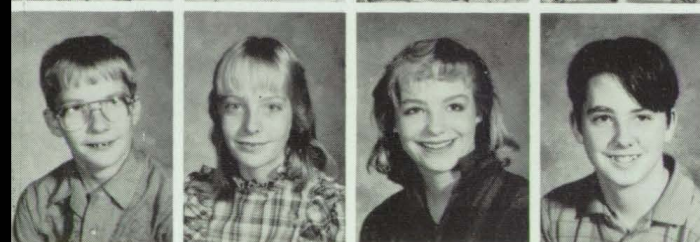
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Jeff Jessen
Jason Jobe
Denny Johnson
Jean Johnson
Sheila Johnson



Lisa Jones
Shirley Jones
Randy Jordan
Suzette Kahler
Angie Keeler
Chris Keller
Angela Keplar



Tammy Kerron
Melissa King
Toby Kinkade
Sherrie Kirschner



Danny Kisling
Lisa Kisling
Kori Kissel
Jason Knapp

Striving To Achieve Their Goal . . .

Kelly Lamar
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James Lankford
Amy Lee
Brent Leisenring
Kerry Lewis



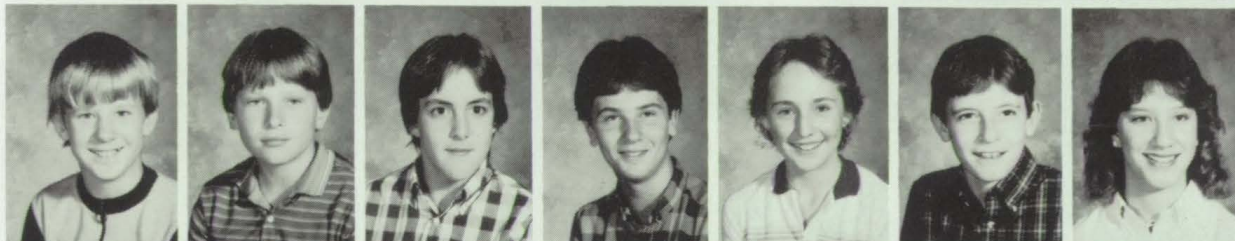
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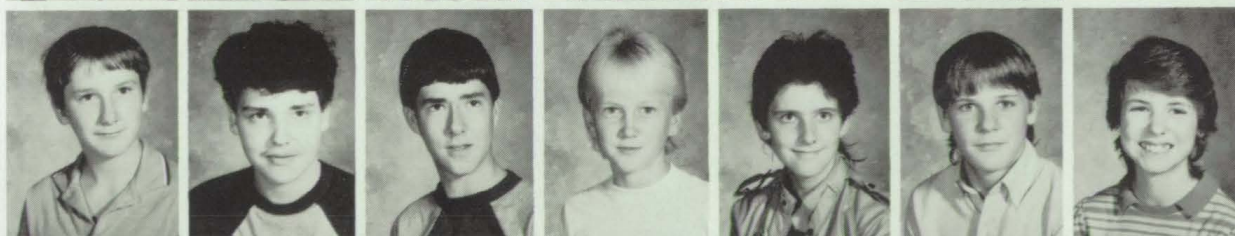
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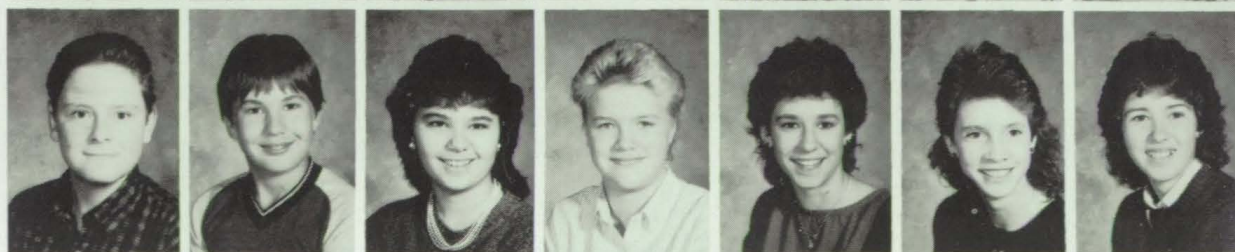
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Kevin Morrow
Lynette Morrow



Chris Mosby
Raymond Moss
Shannon Mulkey
Amber Munson
Beth Murphy
Donja Murphy
Lisha Murrow



Members of the 1984-85 eighth grade boys basketball team are pictured at the right. Front row: Tony Hunt, Dusty Bell, Tom Craig, Carter Henson, Jon Squibb, Jim Tuggle, Dusty Gorham, Zach Miller. Back row: Coach Dave Hammett, Brad Mears, Brent McGinty, Joey Caulk, Chad Marion, Rob MacDonald, Jon Franks, John Claybrook, Dave Osborn, Randy Cleaver, Chris Mitchell.





Eighth grade football, 1984, front row: B. Powell, R. Gibson, B. Moore, C. Clouse, B. Prier, J. Humphrey, J. Jessen, R. Cleaver, J. Swift, J. Stripp, K. Morrow, W. Tyler, H. Macy, J. Squibb, J. Barnes. **Middle row:** Coach Marrs, J. Ray, C. Henson, K. Potter, J. Daugherty, C. McGranahan, P.

Bartholomew, D. Bell, C. Mitchell, G. Houck, V. Williams, Todd Cornett, J. Turtle, W. Cook, **Back row:** B. Shoemaker, C. Keller, B. Mears, T. Vinson, M. Vandergriff, T. Hunt, D. Osborn, J. Franks, K. Werries, Z. Miller, T. Newdigger, S. Shadwick, and Coach Hammert.



Jenny McCully
Brent McGinry
Clay McGranahan
Christy McGregor
Michele McIlvaine
Don McLaughlin
Amy McMillan

Brian Neville
rim Newdigger
Sherri Newell
Twillia Newell
Marr Noble
Shawn Norman
Lisa Nunn

David Osborn
Dawnette Osborn
Kelly Osborn
Kim Osborn
Betsy Owens
Jeff Oxford
DeeDee Pace

Michelle Paul
Lori Perch
Mark Pettr
Curt Pierce
Dana Pogue
Roger Pogue
Sherry Pollick

Kevin Porter
Brent Powell
LeeAnn Powell
Bryan Prier
James Rash
Jason Rya
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Amy Ruddick

Of Graduation In '89

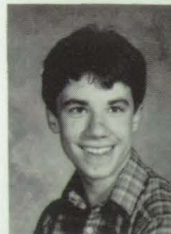


8th grade cheerleaders. Bottom: Chrissy Rhoades, Leslie Thogmartin, Kerri Thorne. Middle: Stacey Southern, LeeAnn Powell. Top: Pepper Thorne.

Chris Sanders
Tammy Sarratt
Amber Schaeffer
Ganilla Schartz



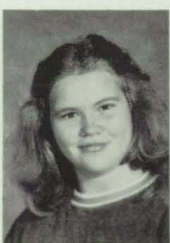
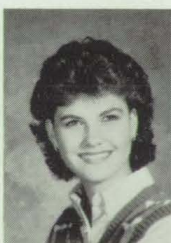
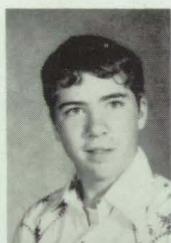
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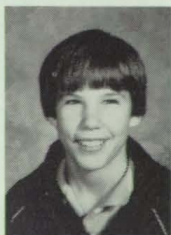
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Mary Sloniker



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Ron Sparks
Jeremy Spears



Lori Spencer
Patty Spencer
Stacey Sprengle
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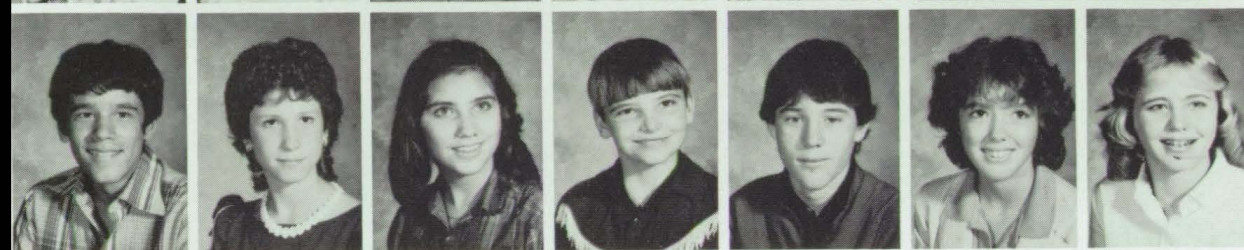




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Eugene Terry
Leslie Thogmartin
Sandy thompson
Kerri Thorne
Pepper Thorne
Crystal Tosh



Angie Trusty
Jimmy Tuggle
Patrick Tuggle
Shannon Turner
John Tuttle
Will Tyler
Carrie Umiauf



Matt Vandergriff
Gina VanDorn
Abigayil Veith
Dennis Vincent
Tom Vinson
Elaina Waldroupe
Trish Warden



Dana Waters
Janalyn Watkins
Geoff Webb
Nicole Welch



Cara Wellington
Dan Werries
Nickie Weston
Billy Wilks



Carrie Williams
Chris Williams
Von Williams
Gerald Willis



Jana Wilson
Lisa Wilson
Wade Wood
Tim Yoder



Goodman band majorette, Becky Reynolds, leads the Goodman Junior High band in a local parade.

Seventh Find A New Start And . . .

Locks Strymie Neophytes

Seventh grade is a new adventure filled with mystery and excitement. But, hazards face the seventh grader. Seventh graders must learn how to operate the locks for the lockers. The first few days are awful. He looks at this lump of metal with numbers attached and scratches his head. What is this??? He attaches the lock to the locker door and prays that he can open the lock. He strains to remember if it was left, then right then left or just the opposite. If all else fails he asks for assistance, a teacher or a friend. At first he may be late for a class or two, but eventually masters the technique.

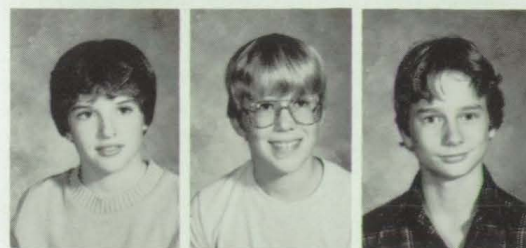
Locks are easy to misplace. They can end up anywhere, at the bottom of the locker beneath a pile of books, in a gym bag or simply just disappear. When this happens all that can be done is to get another lock and begin the process of memorizing another combination.

Yes, there are many problems to be faced when becoming a seventh grader and probably the first one to be discovered is the problem of learning all about a new lock. Locks can cause problems sometimes, but after the seventh grade year the student will have all the knowledge about locks. he can sit back and remember his seventh grade year experience with locks and next year he can watch the new neophytes try their hand at the styling locks. He has experienced, learned and conquered!

Marcy Abercrombie
Shiloh Ackerson
Marr Adams



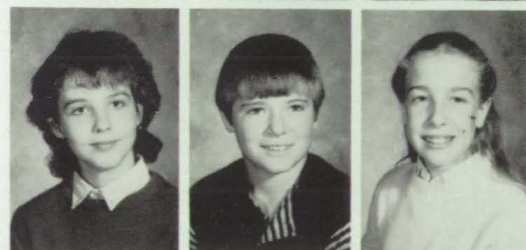
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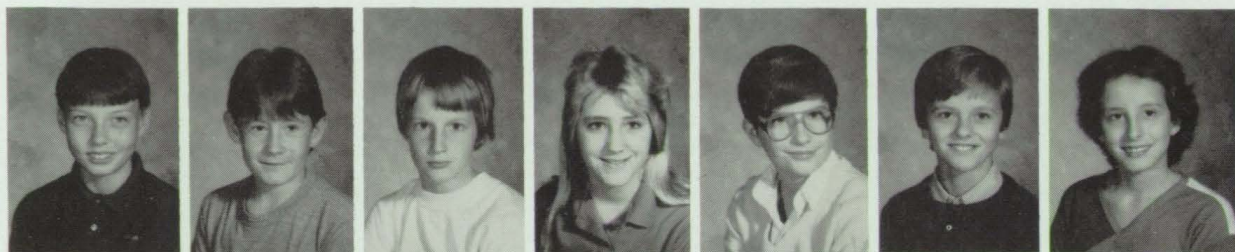


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Jim Bogle
Sabreana Bollman
David Bond
Tracy Bowers
Jennifer Brannam



David Britten
Angie Brodie
Bryan Bronson
Robin Burch
Jasen Burns
Billy Burris
Corey Burton





Dale Campbell
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Tara Charter
Richard Chennault
Chad Clapp
Sabra Clements



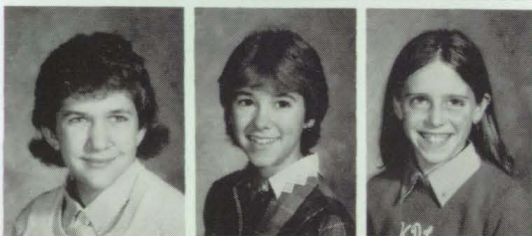
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John Crosby
Vivian Crosby
David Cumpton



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Jamie Daugherry



Eric Dicharry
Wayne Dickison
Stacy Dickson



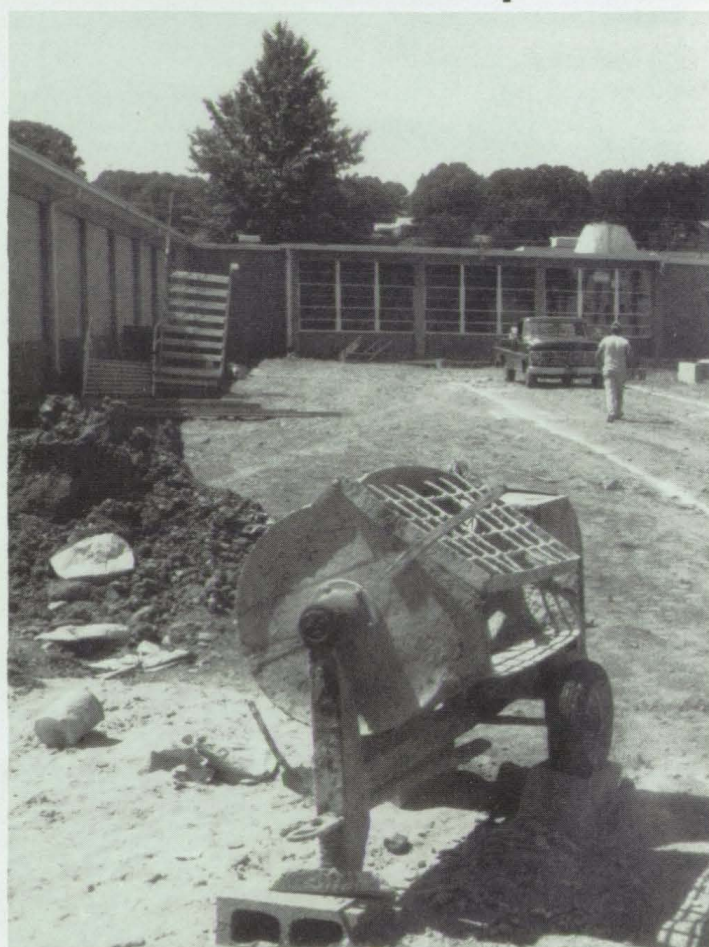
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Kelly Douglas



Sandy Duncan
Roxsann Ebbs
Brian Edans



Matt Emory
Angie Ernest
Jerry Fagan



Construction begins on the addition of classrooms.

Learn And Experience And Grow And . . .

Seventh graders get a chance to participate in student council. The student council has made suggestions concerning the junior high student body such as what types of assemblies to have, the eighth grade dance and problems facing junior high. There are two seventh grade officers, Ken Puckett president and Angie Patterson vice president.



Aaron Farber
Teresa Fausett
Robbin Ferguson



Sarah Finch
Krista Fortenbaugh
Jay Friend



Mark Friend
Jodale Gabriel
William Gage



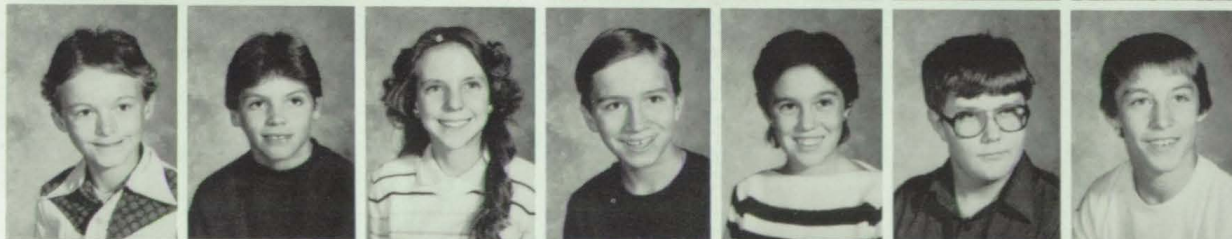
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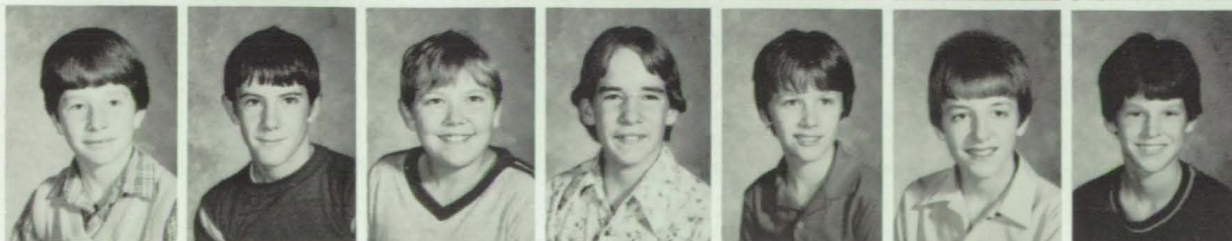
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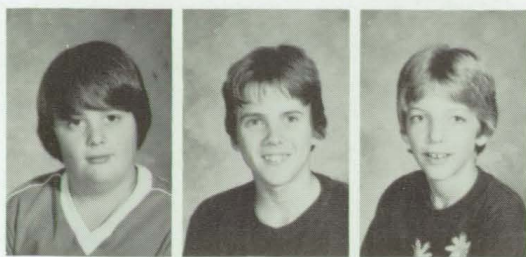


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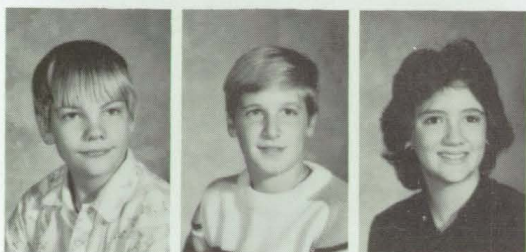


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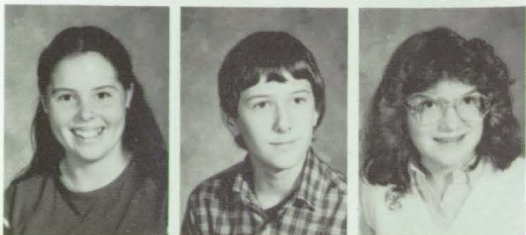




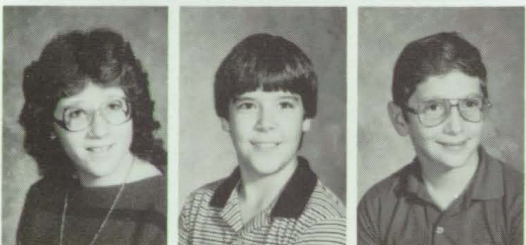
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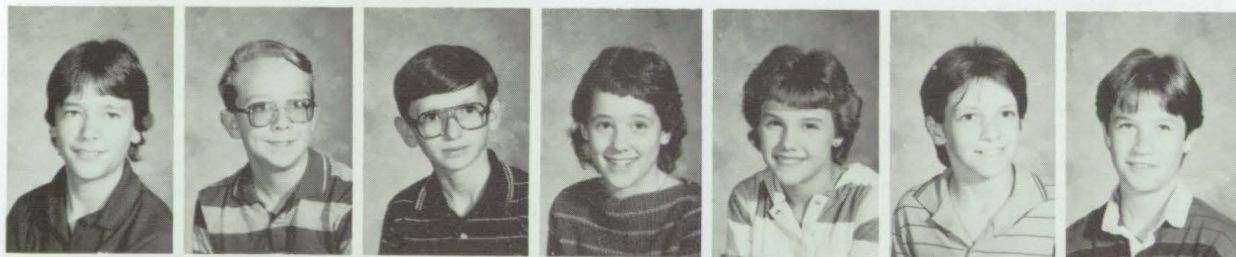
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Aaron Johnson
Benny Johnson



Seventh graders enjoy a break in classroom routine.



Mike Johnson
Mike Johnson
Rusty Jones
Missy Kennedy
Sheila Killebrew
Brandon King
Scott King



Jim Kittrell
Jesse Klix
Jason Knapp
Eric Lance
Beckie Landes
Charla Lankford
Mickie Lankford



Shawn Lasiter
Janelle Lauderdale
Ryan Lauderdale
Cheri Lawrence
Cris Laytham
Brenda Lee
Jennifer Lentz

Pursue Their Goals . . .

Bobby Lewis
Curt Lewis
Paula Lindley
Eddie Livingston



Greg Lodrup
Todd Longbrake
James Looney



Stephanie Lowe
Alan Ludiker
Angela Lyons



Stephanie Lyons
Chad Mabral
Angela McCann



Seventh graders take advantage of lunch time freedom.



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Preston McNett
Todd Marcum
Tracey Jo Marrs
Bill Martin
Drent Massey
Christopher Mathis

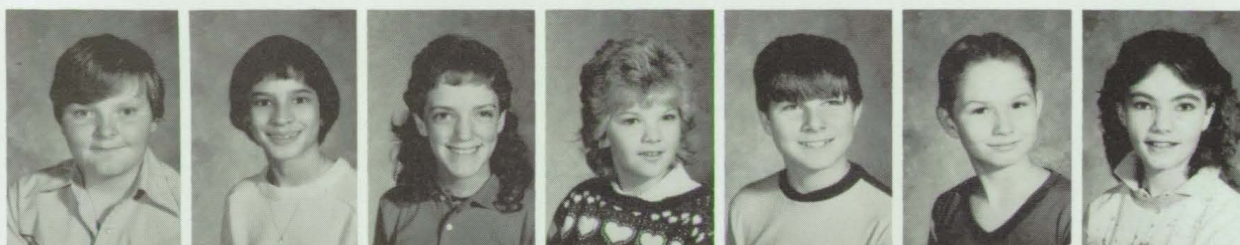


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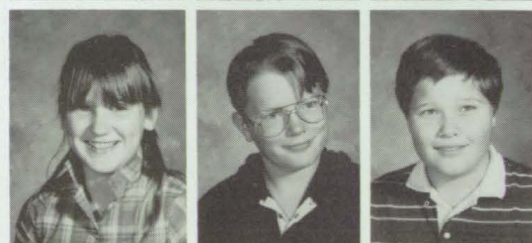
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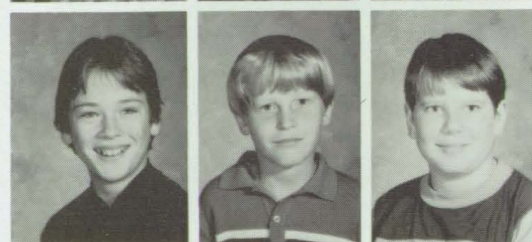
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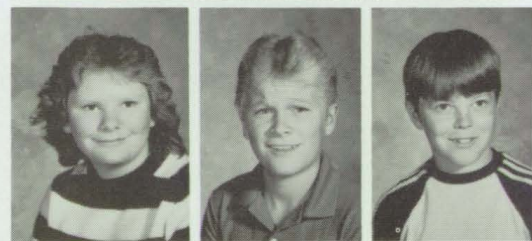
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Rodney Rearrick



Shane Reeves
Mark Renfro
Chris Rice



Jo Rick
Ronnie Rickson
Van Riding



Bobby Rinehart
Kelli Roberts
Gary Robinson

Do's And Don'ts

Seventh graders find there are rules, rules, rules. The "Do's" and "Don'ts" can at first be a real mystery. Some of the rules are:

Do pick up admits when absent.
Do keep up with your books.

Don't call parents when sick.
Don't leave the school building.

Do use the library.
Do feel free to see the guidance counselor.

Don't leave the cafeteria until 8:10.
Don't leave the gym until 11:35 at lunch

Do listen to the bulletin.
Do get involved in sports.

Don't be loud in the halls
Don't forget to do your homework.

Do try to survive.
Do keep a smile on your face.

In Search Of That Magic '90

Kevin Rohleu
Thomas Roles
Carmen Rowlan
Darren Ruddick
Aaron Rugh
Mike Sappington
Dusty Sarratt



John Schuler
Rhonda Shadwick
Mechelle Shaver
Robby Shields
Aimee Schumaker
Mike Sidney
Shelly Simpson



Richelle Sink
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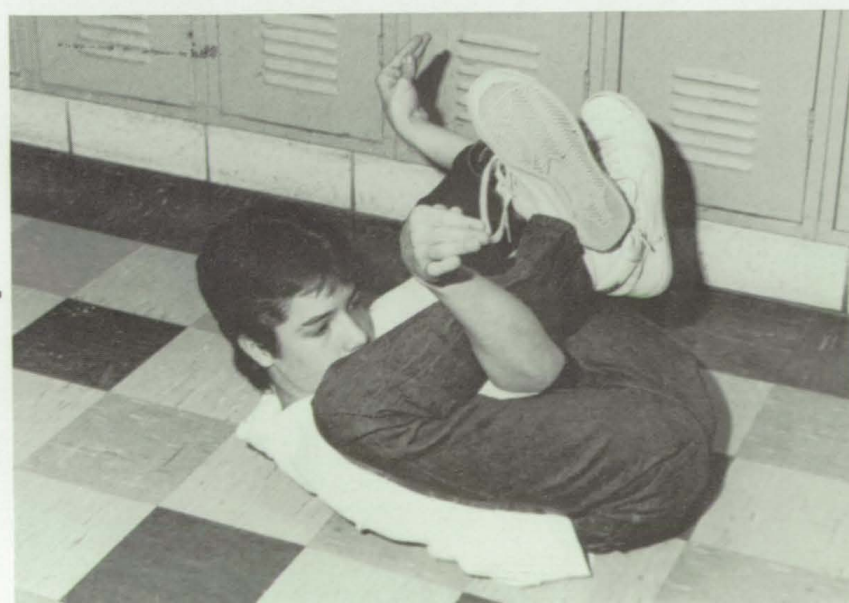


Rashele Srevens
Shawna Stockton
Terry Strong
David Swift
Angela Tartar
Barbie Taylor
Lisa Testerman



Break dancing became very popular in 1984. Here Robbie Shields demonstrates his technique. Some of the moves have taken on strange names: the tick, caterpillar, body wave, back spin, head spin, and of course the moon walk.

Dusty Thomas
Dayla Thurman
Misty Thurman



Stephanie Thorne
Teri Tignor

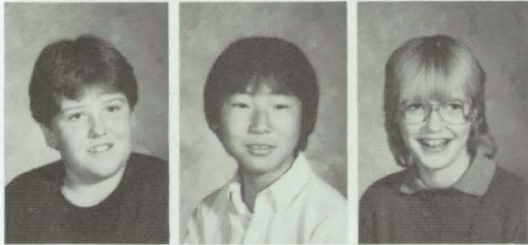


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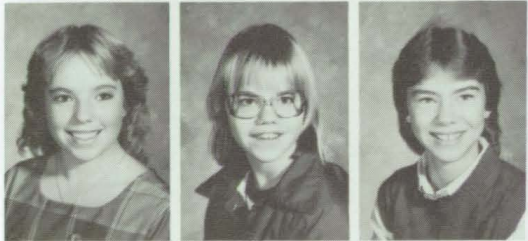
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Paul Versluis
Stephanie Virgin
Christina Warren



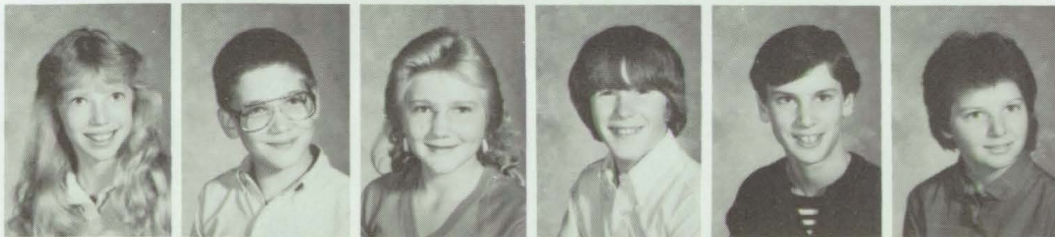
Cathy Welch
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Tammy Werries



The Junior High Marching Band gets ready for its first concert.



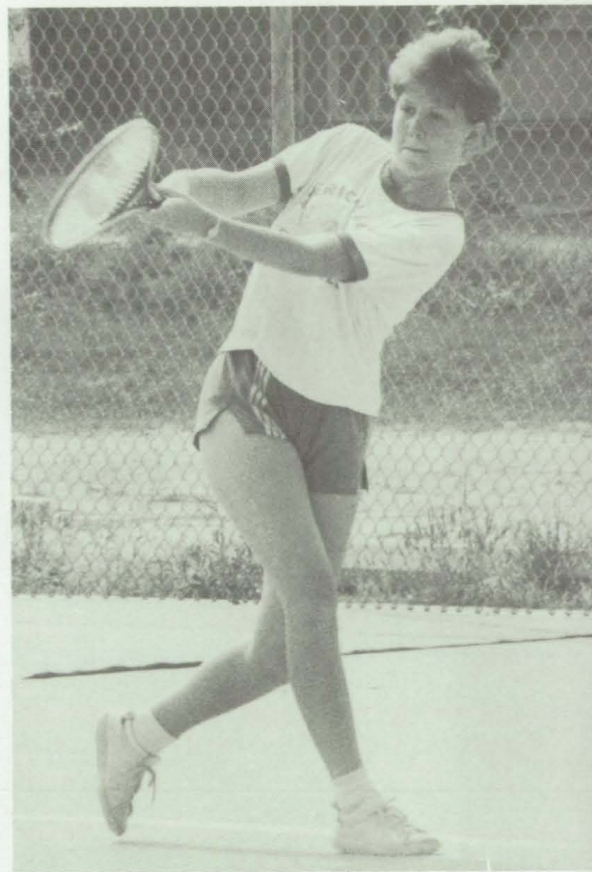
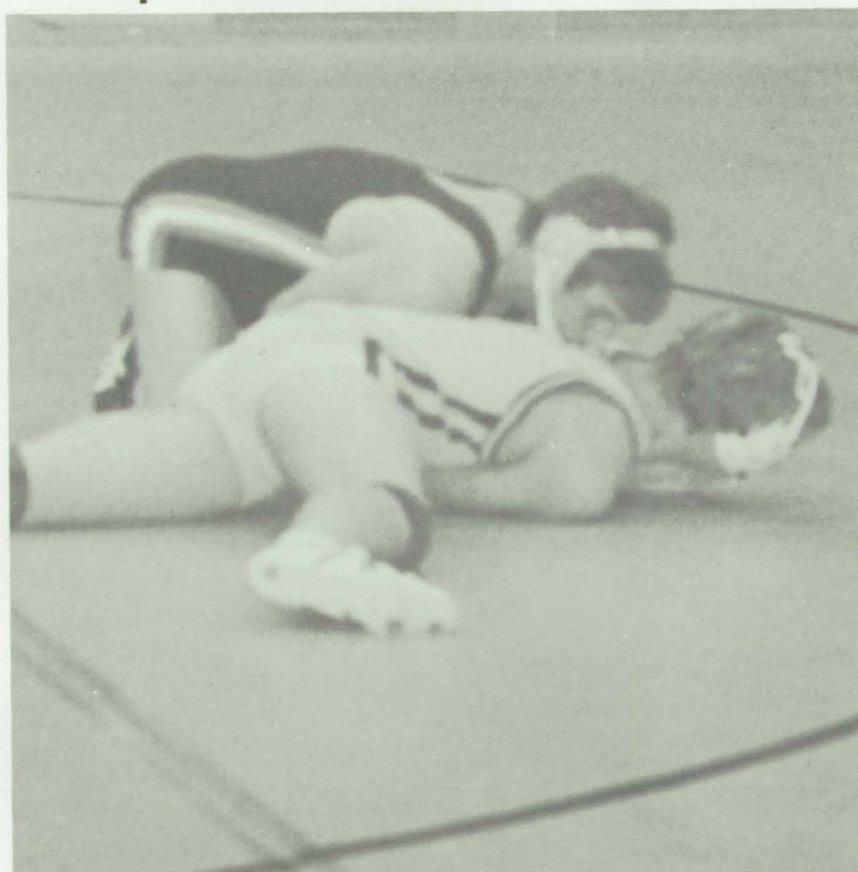
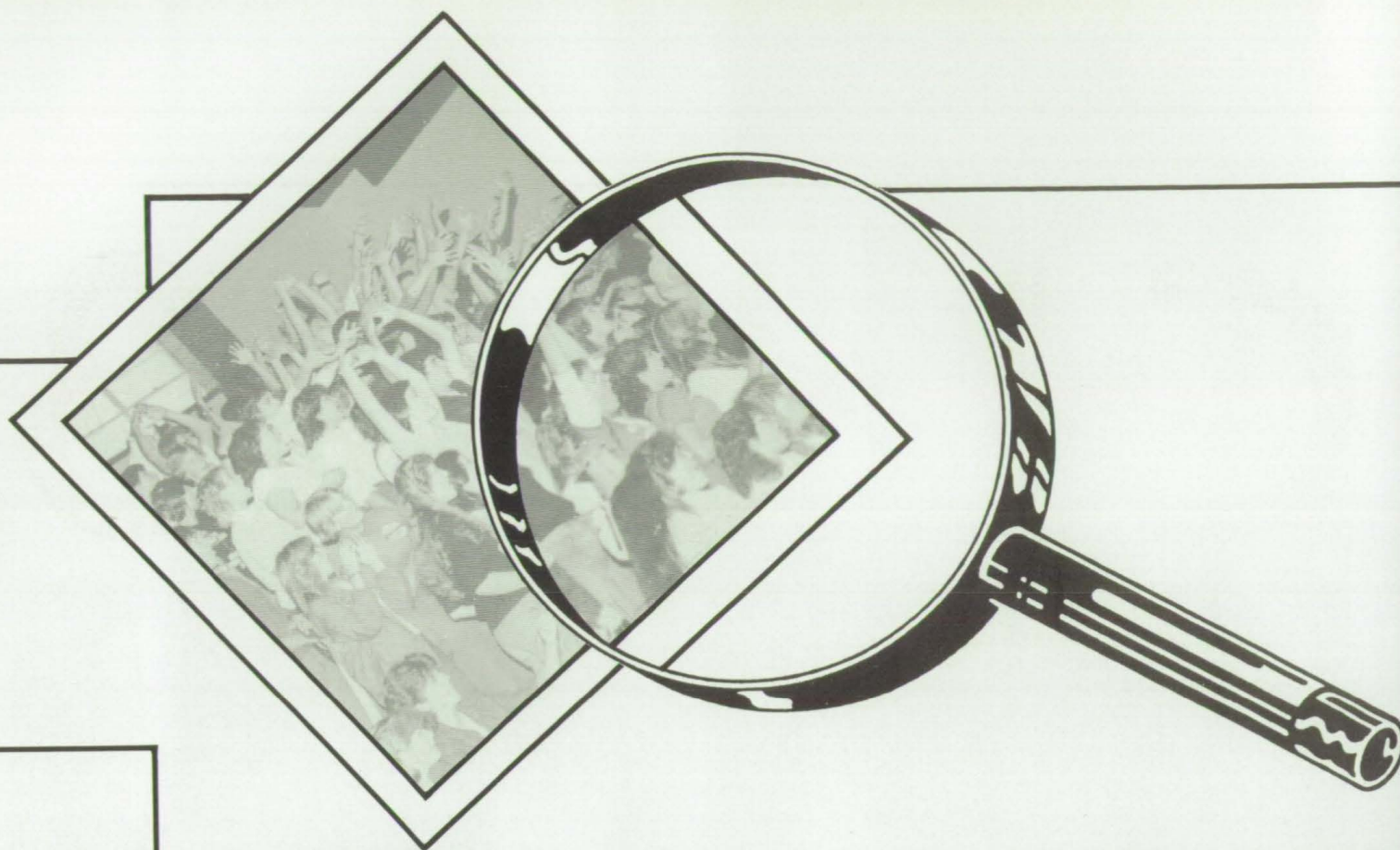
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Jeff Williams



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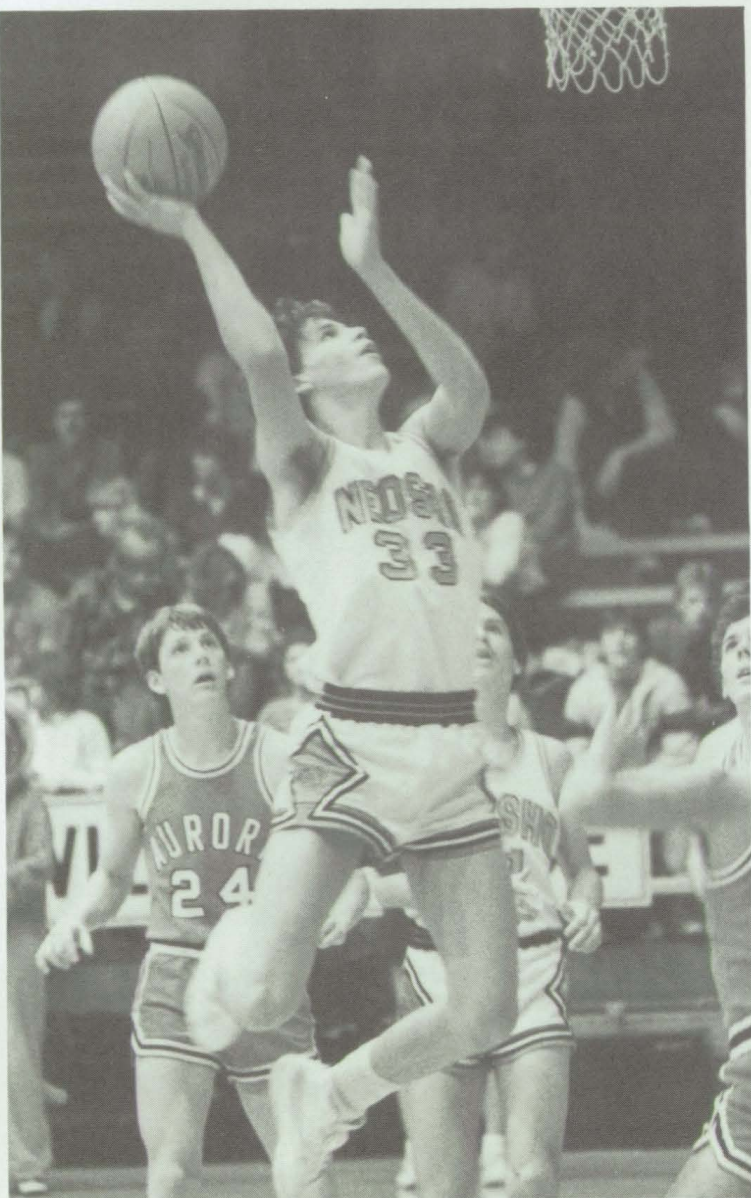


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Shannon Yerington
Shelly York
Becky Young
Mysti Yust



In Search Of Perfection . . .

C L U E 3



Athletes Strive For Victory

Football Squads Tackle Another Season

The Neosho High School football team became the 1984 Big 6 Conference Champs. They were undefeated in conference play. The Wildcats have won 32 consecutive games in the last six years. The team finished the season with a 6-4 record.

The Cars got off to a shaky start as they lost four of their first five games. According to Coach Young, "During the early part of the season injuries played a role in three of the first four losses." The team then started putting things together as they won their last five games.

The Cars started getting ready for their opener against Miami as early as the first week of August in the 100° weather. The football team practiced twice a day, two hours in the morning and two hours in the afternoon. The morning practices were the worst because the humidity made the field seem like a jungle. Practice began with "gut wrenching" calisthenics followed by agility drills such as dodging dummies and running backwards. Someone always ended up falling down. Finally the team scrimmaged for an hour. After two hours of practice each player dragged himself to the locker room knowing there was another practice just like it that afternoon. After about three weeks of these "workouts," the team was ready for its first game. Ten games later, all the torture of practice seemed worth it when the Wildcats won the Big Six Conference.



Brandon Collins and an unknown Wildcat sack Nevada's quarterback. Though Neosho beat Nevada in regulation time, not all the games ended in four quarters. This was a unique year for the Cars as they played two overtime games. Each team had an equal opportunity to score with four downs from the ten yard line. Coach Young said, "I think overtime is a good rule and I believe it changes coaching philosophy, because most coaches will go for the tie instead of gambling and go for the win."

Scoreboard

Varsity

NHS		OPP.
14	Miami	35
14	Monett	0
27	Parkview	29
12	Pittsburg	23
7	Rogers	33
14	Nevada	13
16	Memorial	14
34	McDonald Co.	10
24	Carthage	14
28	Webb City	0

Junior Varsity

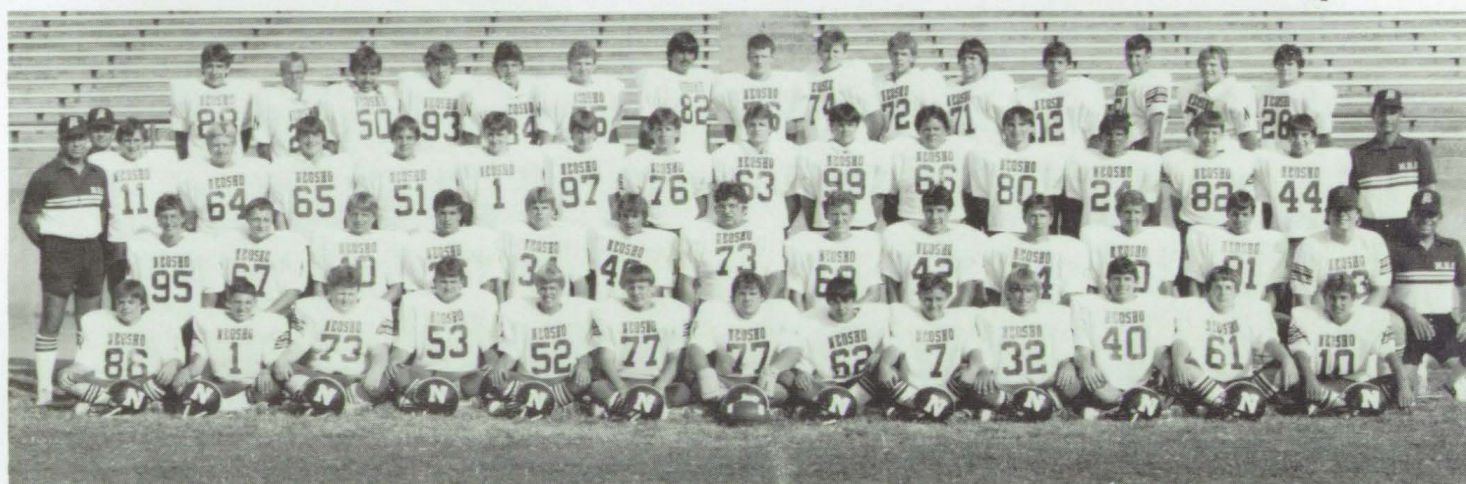
NHS		OPP.
14	Parkview	20
0	Nevada	16
14	Memorial	0
25	McDonald Co.	8
7	Carthage	20
0	Webb City	18
13	Miami	13



Wildcats show the ability that made them the conference champs.



Homecoming parade has always been a tradition at Neosho High School. Here the Wildcats psyche themselves up before the game as they enjoy the parade. Football team members riding in the back of Jeff Pruitt's truck are Thad Hulsey, Ron Coppedge, Rick Haslip, Mike Cummings, Paul Clark, Shawn Cooper, and Mick Ward.



First row left to right: Wade Bridges, DE; Lance Massey, FS; Mark Wilson, NG; *Steve Allen, C, lettered; Heath Hulsey, LB; Steve Moore, G; *Carl Boyd, DT, lettered, 2nd All Conf; *Steve Nokes, NG, lettered; *Brian Neal, WD, lettered; *Louie Spencer, CB, lettered, 1st All Conf; *Shawn Cooper, HB, lettered, 1st All Conf; *Jeff Pruitt, G, lettered, 2nd All Conf; Rick Bush, QB. Second row left to right: *Paul Clark, CB, lettered; *Brandon Collins, DF, lettered; *Paul Harvel, QB, lettered, 1st All Conf; *Lance Allen, LB, lettered, 2nd All Conf; *Allen Jones, FB, lettered; *Jay Glavin, DE, lettered; *Todd Tyler, FB, lettered; Mike Cummings, C; Leon Minta, HB; *John Beauchamp, SS, lettered, 2nd All Conf; *Roy Thurman, manager, lettered; Kenny Rogers, assir. coach. Third row left to right: Phil Young, head coach; Joe Fowler, assit. coach;

*Eugene Judd, FS, lettered; *Don Versluis, G, lettered, 2nd All Conf; *Jackie Daughtry, DE, lettered; *Jeff Tilley, C, lettered; Tony Sage, DF; *Rick Haslip, G, lettered; Rob Thogmartin, TE; Mike Shaver, DT; Thad Hulsey, LB; *John Thorne, K, lettered, 2nd All Conf; Shane Ogle, F; *Brad Young, CB, lettered; Al Potter, assir, coach. Fourth row left to right: *Brian Green, TE, DE, P, lettered, 1st and 2nd All Conf, Hon. Mention; *Gary Shields, F, lettered; Stuart Puckett, C; Tim Thorne, F; *Marcus Campbell, LB, lettered; *Ron Coppedge, DT, lettered; *David Carlin, LB, lettered; *Steve Gray, DE, lettered; Brian Taylor, DT; Wes Cook, DE; *Bill Pockrus, DT, lettered; *Rodney Hall, QB, lettered; J.W. Cauthon, DE; *Jerry Brown, OT, lettered, 2nd All Conf; *Greg White, HB, lettered.

*1984 Wildcat lettermen

Frosh Explore The Field

This year the Freshman boys proved to be tough cats in the making. Their record was 5-1 in the conference after devouring the Parkview Vikings at their opening game. The team had an excellent season. They play an important role in the football seasons that lie ahead. So to all the

frosh who worked hard and were striving to be the best, congratulations go out to you. Who knows, will the next Jim Cummins be found in Greg Pearman or Robbie Hunt? Will Richard Jackson be the next Jim Farmer? Will Joey Versluis fill the shoes of Doug Paden? Who knows what will become of our freshman boys but, if they keep up the good work, Neosho High School has a great football season ahead of it.

Scoreboard

NHS		Opp.
36	Parkview	14
28	Monett	6
36	Nevada	0
24	Memorial	0
22	McDonald County	6
28	Carthage	6
18	Webb City	20



During the freshman game, quarterback Joey Versluis escapes the Memorial defense.



1984 freshman football team left to right, first row: Shane Watkins, manager, Clint Shine, Jeff Hutchinson, John Meyer, Cory Kruse, Bradly Brown, Blake Day, Terry Manz, Brent Owens, Dexter Snider, Kevin Hutchinson, and Darrel Patterson, Second row: Coach Bill Henton, Keith Henning, John Thexton, Erron Wright, Eric Shoenberger, Richard Jackson, Chip Parmley, Greg Pearman, Matt Shoemaker, Kenny Werries, Andy Swift, David Widner, and Coach Bob Gillispie. Third row: Phil Tilley, Robert Spencer, Mike Barnett, Warren Oaden, Brian Shields, Ron Bowling, Joey Versluis, Robbie Hunt, Max Dunham, Shawn Yerington, Kendall Brady.

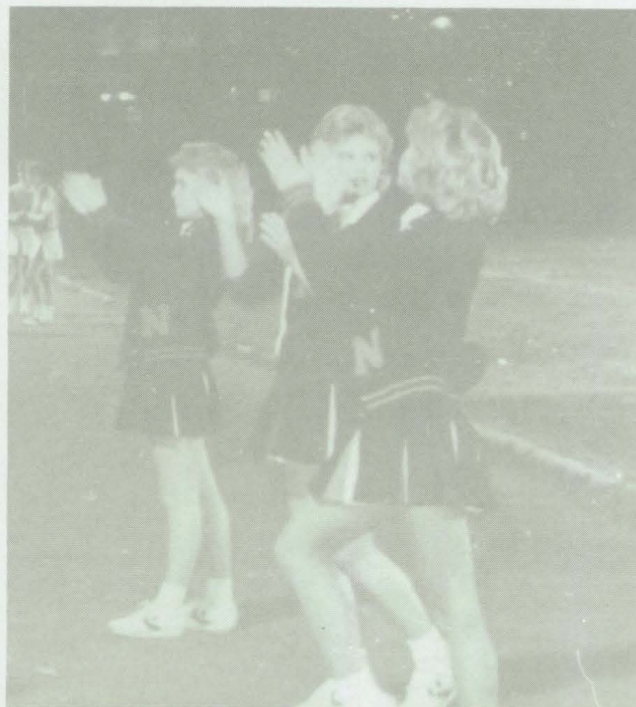
Frosh Cheerleaders Inspire Victory



Dream Comes True

For many girls, becoming a cheerleader is only a dream, but for six girls of the class of '88, that dream has become a reality. The freshman cheerleaders were chosen by a panel of teachers and varsity cheerleaders. These six have put in many long hours of practice along with their sponsor, Miss Cindy Titus. Their hard work paid off as they did a good job cheering and seemed to enjoy it. They showed spirit and enthusiasm as they cheered their teams to victory. The freshman cheerleaders for 84-85 are at left top to bottom Becky Harper, Dana Phelps, Dianne Coppedge, Renée Roark, Angela Rodriguez, and Shannon Hopper.

At top left to right, the freshman cheerleaders Angela Rodriguez, Becky Harper, Dianne Coppedge, Renée Roark, Dana Phelps and Shannon Hopper relax on the freshman benches before school. Below, Renée Roark, Dianne Coppedge and Dana Phelps cheer at a freshman football game.



Volleyball Cats Spike 'em

Volleyball skills are taught long before the season starts. This year Jennifer Sappington, Brandi Cholka, Jennifer Mills, Janet Wilbur, Jennifer Sowersby, Jeania Farmer, Martha Schnakenberg, and Beth McMillan went for five days to volleyball camp at Missouri University, Columbia.

Getting up at 7:00 a.m. every morning was pretty tough when it was impossible to get to bed before 12:00 p.m. But everyone managed and pushed tired bodies to gain as many skills and as much knowledge as possible in that short amount of time.

Before the girls arrived, camp meant two things: no parents and parties. After the many hot practice sessions it only meant three things: a cold shower, sleep, and good food.

The first day of camp Jennifer Sappington took a 30 minute shower or at least it seemed that long when Jeania Farmer and Janet Wilbur had to use all their towels because the room was flooded.

Another time some of the girls were all in the elevator and Jennifer pushed the alarm button just to see what it would do. It went off loud and clear and the way they scrambled to their rooms will keep them laughing for years.

Of course, when a bunch of girls are put together, they have to prove

who's the best which caused much commotion when the smaller players picked on somebody bigger than they. But like a team they always managed to save each other.

There was more excitement and work in those five days than were experienced all summer.

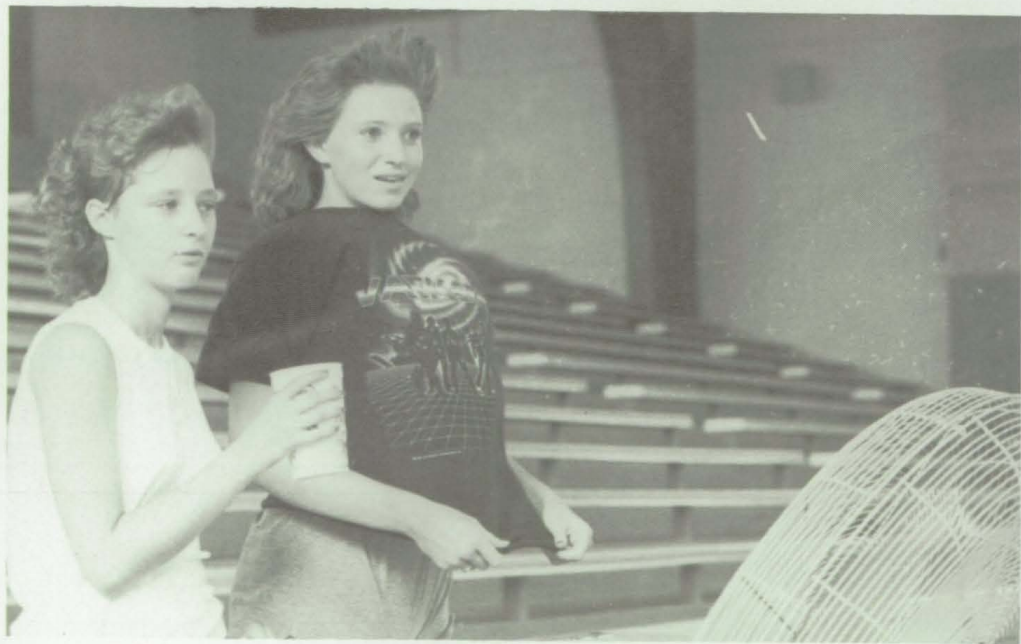
Besides coming home with many funny stories to tell, the campers all decided that camp was worth it because of the great improvement shown on the court this year.

Coming home Sunday night brought the team back together. All hard feelings were put aside.

Monday morning bright and early former coach Marsha Harlan started her week-long camp. The Mizzou girls were tired, but actually ahead of the rest because sore muscles and heavy perspiring was old news to them. Preparing for the 1984 season took a lot of effort and determination to practice two hours every day in a gym that was 100 degrees. This showed spunk from a lot of girls to go through Harlan's camp and then show up again for the two week tryouts to see who would make the volleyball team.



Brandi Cholka, Jennifer Mills, Janet Wilbur, Jennifer Sappington, Jeania Farmer, and Jennifer Sowersby show great potential after attending Mizzou Volleyball Camp. **Below** : Not only did the girls bring back from camp muscles and polished techniques, they also brought back Brandi Cholka and her crutches.



Everybody has to take a break from a hard practice. Loree Ebbinghaus and Jennifer Mills "cool" during a hot workout. **To the left:** Marsha Harlan teaches new skills to the campers. Tausha Kruse and Carey Hickman work hard to learn them.





The NHS Ladycats volleyball team worked hard this year with a varsity record of 10-8 and a junior varsity record of 6-7. The varsity Ladycats finished third in conference this year.

Steve Haupt took former coach Marsha Harlan's place to support the girls through their season.

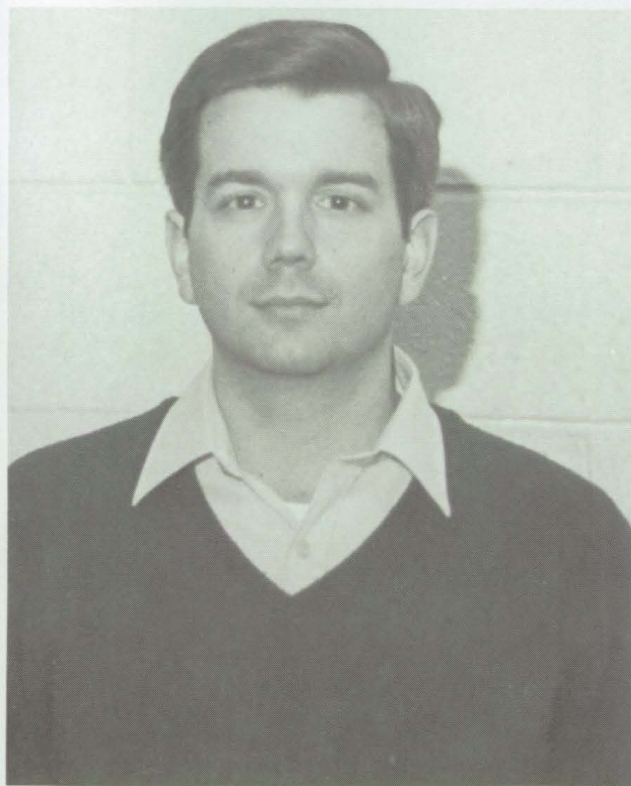
Jennifer Sowersby and Martha Schnakenberg were the leading spikers for the varsity team, but they were supported with sets from Jeania Farmer and Brandi Cholka.

Jennifer Sappington and Janet Wilbur were setters for the junior varsity while Jennifer Mills sparked the spikers.

Top varsity servers this year were Jeania Farmer, Connie Slaughter, and Janet Wilbur. Top junior varsity servers were Kristi Taylor, Carey Hickman, and Shawn Freund.

Seniors playing their last season with the Ladycats were Jeania Farmer, Julie Rassmusson, Brenda Offenbacker and Connie Slaughter.

1984 volleyball team first row left to right: Brenda Young, manager, Kristi Taylor, Shawn Freund, Jennifer Mills, Lacey Neal, Carey Hickman, Beth McMillan, Loree Ebbinghaus, manager. Second row: Coach Haupt, Martha Schnakenberg, Connie Slaughter, Brenda Offenbacker, Julie Rassmussen, Jeania Farmer, Jennifer Sappington, Jennifer Sowerby, Janet Wilbur, and Brandi Cholka.



Steve Haupt gives team spirit and intensity.

Scoreboard

NHS	15-7, 8-15	Joplin Memorial
NHS	4-15, 3-15	Carthage
NHS	15-5, 10-15, 15-1	Webb City
NHS	15-2, 15-12	Nevada
NHS	6-15, 10-15	Diamond
NHS	15-13, 15-3	McDonald Co.
NHS	15-8, 8-15, 11-15	Joplin Memorial
NHS	11-15, 13-15	Purdy
NHS	9-15, 12-15	Carthage
NHS	15-7, 15-12	Joplin Parkwood
NHS	15-2, 15-2	Webb City
NHS	15-2, 15-9	Nevada
NHS	15-8, 15-12	McDonald Co.

Junior Varsity won 6 and lost 7.

In Search Of . . . The Night Before . . .

All the girls painted their nails and rolled up their hair, getting ready to put on the new outfit that was so carefully picked out two months ago, to wear to the big night.

Boys waxed their cars and scrounged for money to buy a mum for that special gal to wear on their big date.

The shopping, primping and polishing were the prelude to an evening of excitement - Football Homecoming 1984.

The week's festivities of hall decorations, parade and pep assembly had aroused in everyone excitement for the big night. Would the search for an unforgettable night be rewarded? Of course!



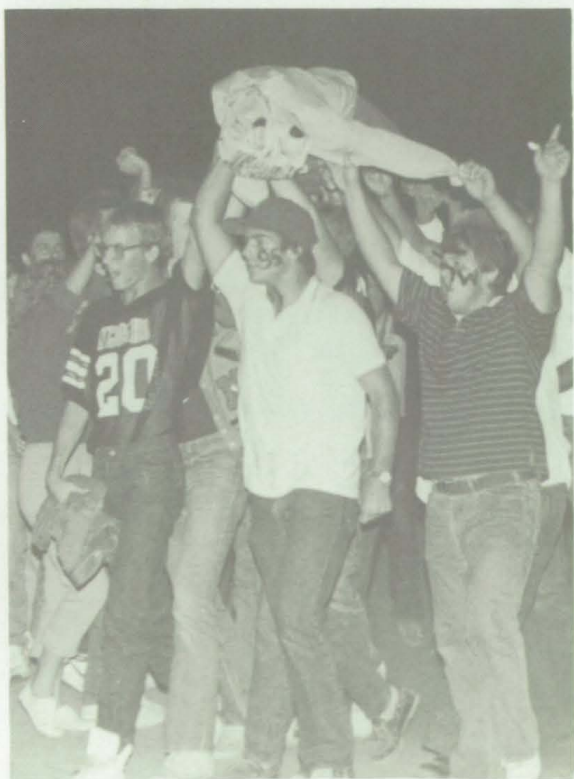
Rosemary Jones says, "Where is Curtis when I need him?"



John Darnell and John Pettit caught the "Tiger Busting" spirit.



Senior enthusiasm builds during hall decorations of their last football homecoming.



Seniors hold aloft the effigy to be burned.



Coach Young helps add to the enthusiasm of the bon fire.

The Night!!



Shelly Hearndon, Senior



Loree Ebbinghaus, Junior



Becky Leach, Senior



Stacia Roy, Senior



Ashley Henson, Sophomore



After being crowned, the queen and her attendants leave the field.



Angela Rodriguez, Freshman

Cross Country Shines



Two champions, Amber and Tammy Townsend, pause for a family portrait.



Jimmy Rhoades has no problem sailing by his competition



What do you think David Cole is thinking? Victory?

Cross Country kept its reputation of bringing pride and honor to Neosho High School. The season came to a close November 3rd in Jefferson City with the Class 4A Cross Country State Championship. For the second time, Neosho's top female runners were the State Champions. Bert Wood, Neosho's only male qualifier, placed 93rd in the boys' division. The team's success was influenced greatly by front runners, Tammy Townsend and Bert Wood. The parental support the team received and Coach Lineberry's superior coaching methods also had a strong influence. The runners ended their season with the girls' record of 7-0 and the boys' 5-3.



Bert Wood (left) placed 93rd in the boys' division of the Class 4A Cross Country State Championship.



Members of the girls Cross Country team consisted of: Back Row (l to r), Coach Lineberry, Dawn Davies, Tammy Townsend, Teresa Morehead, Debbie Groh. **Front Row** (l to r), Deana Cole, Amber Townsend, Becky Freund, Tracy Morehead.



Calvin Clark is on the home stretch.



Members of the boys Cross Country team consisted of: Back Row (l to r), Coach Lineberry, David Cole, Toby Cole, Jimmy Rhoades, Bill Kenon, Trent Haizlip, Bert Wood, Randy Brown, John Link, **Front Row** (l to r), Jimmy Babor, Lenny Neal, Paul Crawford, Doug Jones, Jon Cole, Calvin Clark, Scott Sprenger.

Boys Tennis Faces Challenge



Pictured above is Jim Graham, boys tennis coach, as he watches one of his players during a dual match. Coach Graham stated, "The boys ended up with a 4-8 season. Many of the matches went into tie-breakers. Therefore, the dual scores are not reflective of the quality of play that went on." They should have a strong team in the years to come as they are only losing four seniors, John Pettir, Dennis Mailes, John Darnell and Brett Smith.



Pictured above, senior Dennis Mailes slows down the pace during a tense match. Dennis was voted Most Valuable Player for the 1984-85 season.



Pictured above, John Pettir, senior, stretches to smash an overhead.

Scoreboard

NHS		OPP.
1	Carthage	8
7	Wyandotte	2
8	Nevada	1
0	Webb City	9
1	Memorial	8
0	Parkwood	9
9	Grove	0
3	Carthage	6
9	Nevada	0
1	Webb City	8
0	Memorial	9
1	Parkwood	0



Members of the boys tennis team are: John Darnell, Dennis Mailes, John Pettir, and Brett Smith, seniors; Mark Young, Tim Thorne, David Mailes, Stuart Puckett and Gordon Dabbs, sophomores; Jay Allen and Steven Mayer, freshman. Jim Graham is coach.

Girls Tennis Captures Crown



Pictured from left to right are: front row: Carol Long, Caroline Hulse, Missy Swift, Anna Rodriguez. Second row: Teresa Poore, Jennifer Fagan, Julie Jobe, Julia Wood, Tammy Rice, Kathleen Swift. Third row: Cindy Hickman and Kerry Young. Coach Christy Graham was not present for the photo.

The 1984-85 girls tennis team had another successful season. They were the conference champs and placed second in the district tournament. They were also undefeated in their dual matches for the second year in a row, bringing their overall record to 21-0. Much credit must go to their coach of 6 years, Christy Graham. She stated, "With a record of 21-0 over the past two years, conference champs and a second place finish at districts, who wouldn't be proud. This team has experience and have worked together for a long time. One thing they have is teamwork and spirit."



Pictured above are juniors Caroline Hulse and Cindy Hickman as they demand, "We're ready; where are they?" **Pictured above left** is senior Tammy Rice as she gets ready for her opponents return.



Scoreboard

NHS		OPP.
9	Memorial	0
9	Nevada	0
7	Carthage	2
9	Webb City	0
8	Lamar	1
5	Parkwood	4
9	Memorial	0
7	Nevada	2
6	Carthage	3
9	Webb City	0
7	Parkwood	2

Pictured at left are seniors Kerry Young, Tammy Rice and Kathleen Swift. "What can we say? — We're undefeated!"

Wildcat Varsity Basketball Team Plays To Win

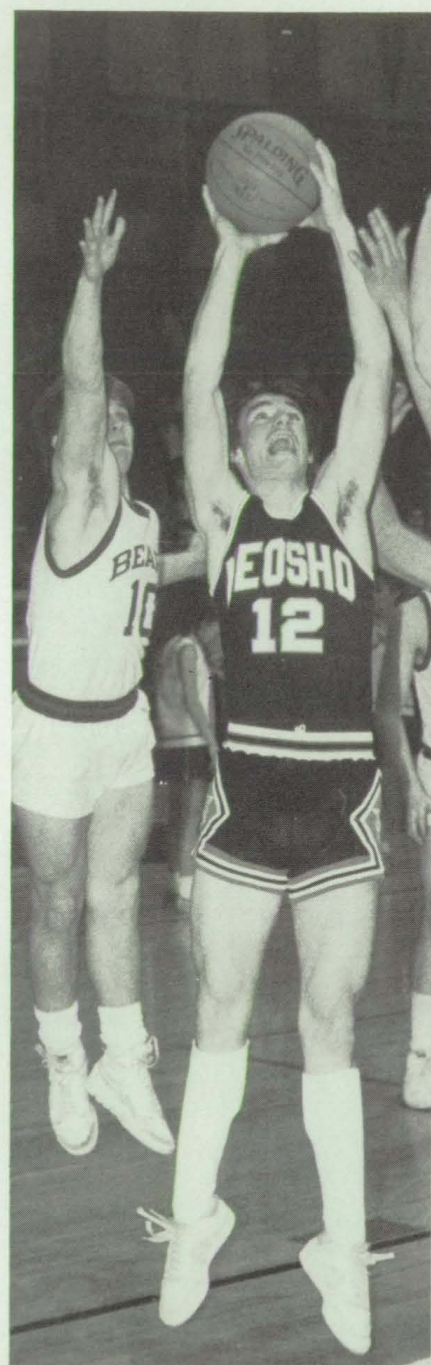


Back row left to right: Coach Roger Sides, Brad Psydel, *Jimmy Rhoades, *Jerry Brown, *David Carlin, William Windhorst, Marcus Campbell, *James Craig, *JoDe Newell, Cam Stewart, Coach Gary Dickenson, front row left to right: *Brett Day, *Gary Massey, *John Thorn, Scott Reeves.

Scoreboard

NHS		OPP.
56	Aurora	53
40	McDonald Co.	52
57	Nevada	68
49	Parkwood	61
54	Kickapoo	87
45	Memorial	49
77	Webb City	74
53	Pittsburg	62
48	Carthage	71
43	McDonald Co.	53
59	Central	64
66	Nevada	62
47	Memorial	68
55	Webb City	50
52	Carthage	63
70	Monett	72

*1985 Wildcat Varsity Lettermen.



James Craig yawns as he shoots with ease.



JoDe Newell shoots another hot shot from outside the key



The Wildcats sit together, before the game, scouting out the opposing team.



Above: The Wildcats in action on the basketball court.

Left: Gary Massey, team captain, shows the form that made him a leader.

Basketball Homecoming Uncovers Spirit



Junior attendant Loree Ebbinghaus is escorted by Jim Rhoades.

The 1985 Basketball Homecoming week was January 28 through February 1. The theme for Homecoming this year was "Wildcats Show Their Pride." Each class chose a theme. Freshmen chose- "We Love Wildcats;" sophomores chose- "Wildcats Leave Their Mark;" juniors chose- "Junior Spirit-Alive in '85;" seniors chose- "The Few, The Proud, the Senior." Spirit Week consisted of, Monday- "Hunt 'Em Down;" Tuesday- "Smear 'Em in Style;" Wednesday- "Swear Out A Victory;" Thursday- "Mash 'Em;" Friday- "Show Your Pride." The sophomore class won hall decorations and overall spirit. The junior class won tags.

Homecoming comes just at the right time when the winter "blahs" can get you down. Wildcats played the Nevada Tigers.



Tammy Rice reigns as Basketball Homecoming Queen.



Attendants and candidates are, from top to bottom, Paula McGarrah, freshman; Loree Ebbinghaus, junior; Trish McMahan, sophomore; Tammy Rice, senior; Valerie Lett, senior; and Kerry Young, senior.



Sophomore attendant Trish McMahan is escorted by David Carlin.



Freshman attendant Paula McGarrah is escorted by Jerry Brown.



The 1985 Basketball Homecoming Queen Tammy Rice and her attendants.



Senior candidate Tammy Rice is escorted by James Craig.



Tammy Rice is crowned by Gary Massey.



Senior candidate Kerry Young is escorted by John Thorne.



Senior candidate Valerie Lett is escorted by William Windhorst.



Willie presents Tammy with a gift.

Varsity Cheerleaders Lead Enthusiasm

Right-Traci Lyons and Angela Kruse clown around between cheers at a home game. Middle- During a time out, cheerleaders boost spirit with a cheer.



Bottom-Cheerleaders pause before getting a coke or halftime to pose with Willie. Willie helps the cheerleader with cheers and routines during the year. Marla Heaser is Willie for 1984-85.

Below-The Varsity Cheerleaders for 1984-85 are (bottom to top, left to right): Willie, Tana Cummins, Angela Kruse, Traci Lyons, Ashley Henson, Crissy Elbrader, Becky Leach, Shawna Galbraith, Tammy Christenson, Leigh Olive, Marsha Ward, Jo Glover, and Stacia Roy.



Jo and Traci take time to look at the camera during a home basketball game.

Girls Basketball'



The 1984-85 Girls Basketball team members: bottom row (left to right) B. J. Cereni, Abby Barnes, Cindy Hickman, Connie Slaughter, Julie Rassmussen, Jennifer Sappington, Jennifer Fagen, and Debbie Groh. Middle row: Missi Schibi, Manager, Teresa Poor, Anna Rodriguez, Billie Jo Kennedy, Misty Vance, Jill

Brown and Rhonda Boman, Manager. Top row: Coach Bill Henton, Trish McMahan, Dawn Davies, Martha Schnackenburg, Jennifer Sowersby, Tracy Mulkey, Deana Ruddick, and Coach Bob Gillispie.

Scoreboard

NHS		OPP
66	Memorial	22
48	Parkwood	42
46	Carthage	67
32	Mac. Co.	52
56	Aurora	33
38	Nevada	52
61	Memorial	29
60	Webb City	32
58	Aurora	21
45	Carthage	46
71	Pittsburg	18
56	Webb City	43
47	Rogers	59
41	Carthage	42
27	Mac. Co.	54
38	Monett	51
41	Mac. Co.	45
49	Nevada	63
86	Memorial	38
61	Webb City	41
40	Parkwood	43
36	E. Newtron	48
55	Parkwood	34
58	Carthage	66
42	Parkview	52



This years Senior lettermen are top Jana Barkley, a transferee from Independent, Kansas; left, Julie Rassmussen; and right, Connie Slaughter. Connie and Julie have both been playing for Neosho for four years.

Has Building Year.



The 1984-85 girls basketball season was one of learning and experimenting. The girls ended the season with a record of 11-15.

The team was young since it lost four seniors last year who were also starters. But being young didn't make the team undermanned. With help from the three seniors, Connie Slaughter, Julie Rassmussen and transferee, Jana Barkley, the team was one with spirit. Other team members who played varsity were juniors, Deana Ruddick, Debbie Groh, Cindy Hickman, Jennifer Sappington, and Tracy Mulkey and sophomores Dawn Davies, Jennifer Sowersby and Martha Schnakenberg.

The girls and coaches are all looking forward to a good season next year!



Top: Jennifer Sowersby goes for two. Middle: The team that stands together, plays together. Bottom: Varsity lettermen were bottom row, Cindy Hickman and Debbie Groh. Middle row, Jana Barkley, Connie Slaughter, and Julie Rassmussen. Top row

Jennifer Sappington, Deana Ruddick, Tracy Mulkey, Jennifer Sowersby, and Martha Schnackenburg. Right: Tracy looks for Stardom.

J.V. And Frosh Basketball



Phil Tilley takes a second to consider his pose for the camera.



With little time remaining, Mark Young shoots for two points during a game with Monett.



Matt Snow and Trey Shaw say hello to the photographer while their team mates quench their thirst.

Frosh Scoreboard

NHS		OPP
50	Aurora	49
33	Mac County	37
41	Nevada	38
50	Parkwood	52
44	Kickapoo	61
32	Memorial	60
41	Webb City	59
53	Pittsburg	65
49	Carthage	56
36	Mac County	44
50	Central	64
42	Nevada	38
40	Memorial	56
30	Webb City	45
47	Carthage	43
59	Monett	48



Coach Bachman converses with his team before the opening of a game.

Face Challenge



Members of the boys JV basketball team consisted of: Back Row (l to r), Coach Dickenson, John Carpenter, Rob Thogmartin, Rodney Hall, Steve Skaggs, J.W. Cauthon, Tim Thorne, Phil Macy, Brad Lett, Front Row (l to r), Mark Young, Tim Cockreham, Mike Spiva, Jerry Overton.



Members of the boys freshman basketball team consisted of: Back Row (l to r), Richard Wallace, Robbie Hunt, David Widener, Greg Pearman, Erron Wright, Brent Marion, Phil Wise, Max Dunham, William Weston, Bryan Kimbrough, Randy Brown, Coach Bachman, Middle Row (l to r), Bryan Shields, Richard Jackson, Trey Shaw, Chip Parmley, Matthew Snow, Phil Tilley, Terry Manz, Front Row (l to r), Jay Allen, Steve Schnackenberg, J. R. Stillions, Martel Tignor, Chris Bachman, Andrew Landreth, Blake Day.



Neosho appears to have the better hand against this game with Joplin's Memorial team.

J.V. Scoreboard

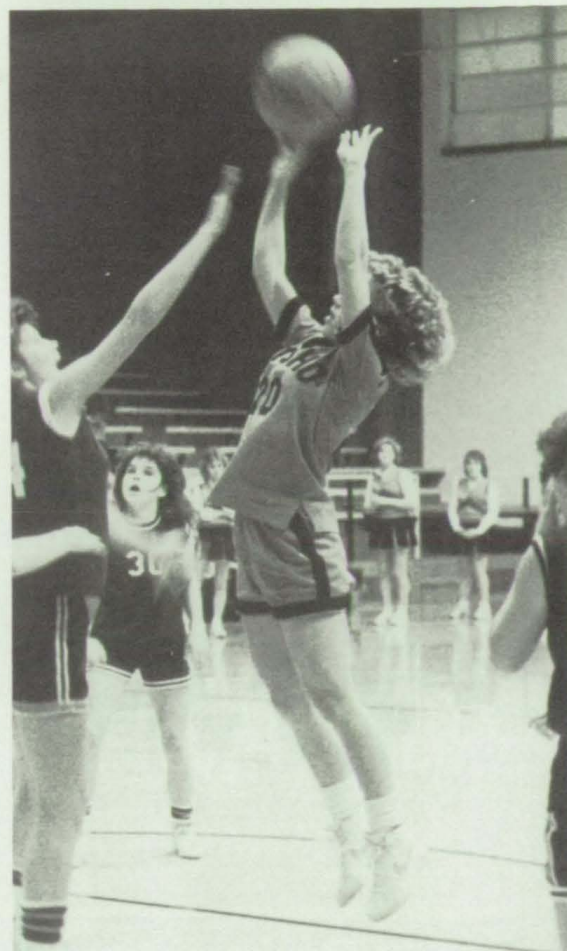
NHS		OPP
82	Aurora	52
65	Webb City	58
58	Mac County	59
80	Nevada	65
29	Nevada	30
49	Memorial	26
46	Memorial	45
43	Lamar	37
40	Lamar	49
48	Lamar	38
57	Lamar	44
54	Mac County	60
56	Mac County	69
31	Carthage	23
40	Carthage	43

Freshman And Junior Varsity Girls

Paula McGarrah, 20, jumps high to shoot the ball above the opposing team as they guard her closely.

Scoreboard

NHS		OPP
23	McDonald County	17
40	Nevada	12
27	Lamar	19
28	Pittsburg	29
45	Columbus	29
31	Cassville	11
41	Parsons	50
33	Elmwood	19
12	Central	27
55	McDonald County	25



Becky Snow goes up for the shot as Amber Wilson gets ready to rebound against the Parkview Vikings.



The freshman basketball team consists of 10 players and one manager. Coach Joe Fowler, along with manager Rhonda Bowling kept the team pushing towards success. Members of the team are front row, left to right Amber Townsend, Paula McGarrah, Amber Wilson, Carey Hickman, Lizzie Snow. Back row: Rhonda Bowling, Shawndel Jones, Tammy McBride, Leslee Janss, Rebecca Ramsey and Becky Snow.

It takes a team to win the game and the freshman girls was quite a team. According to Coach Joe Fowler this was his first girls team and they gave 100. Their effort showed with 11-2 record and coach Fowler thinks they were all special. Lizzie Snow was top scorer for the team, while Amber Wilson had most assists. Without Paula McGarrah and Carey Hickman, the two best defensive players, Shawndel Jones and Rebecca Ramsey's job would not have been easy. All the girls played their hardest and made the team a success. To top it off Carey Hickman made the All Tournament Team in Bentonville Arkansas.

Basketball Has Winning Season

Jennifer Fagan puts the ball in play as Trish McMahan runs to get a position before the Viking team gets there.



Neosho Wildcats jump high to get the ball to play in their favor. Player 20 is ready to take the tip off.



Wildcats position themselves for the rebound. J.V. players learn that defense is an important part of the game.

Scoreboard

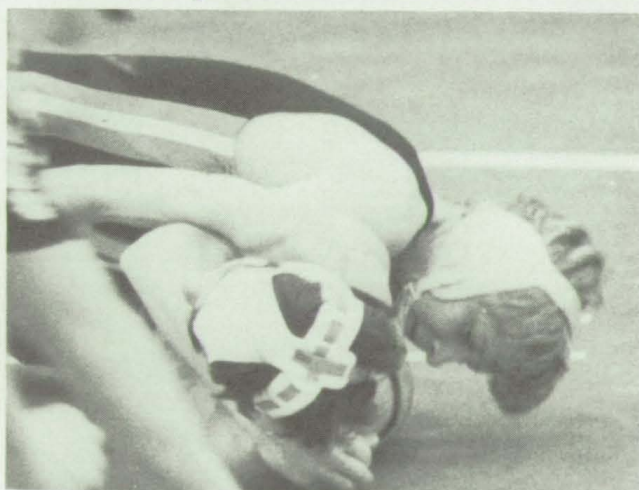
NHS		OPP
38	McDonald County	43
35	Aurora	12
38	Parkwood	14
55	Nevada	22
35	Memorial	23
22	Parsons	30
33	Pittsburg	16
59	Webb City	13
54	Carthage	23
37	Parsons	29
38	Monett	36
35	McDonald County	54
54	Nevada	29
51	Memorial	28
62	Webb City	14
40	Parkwood	14
25	Glendale	35
50	Carthage	22

Wrestlers Grapple With Tough Year

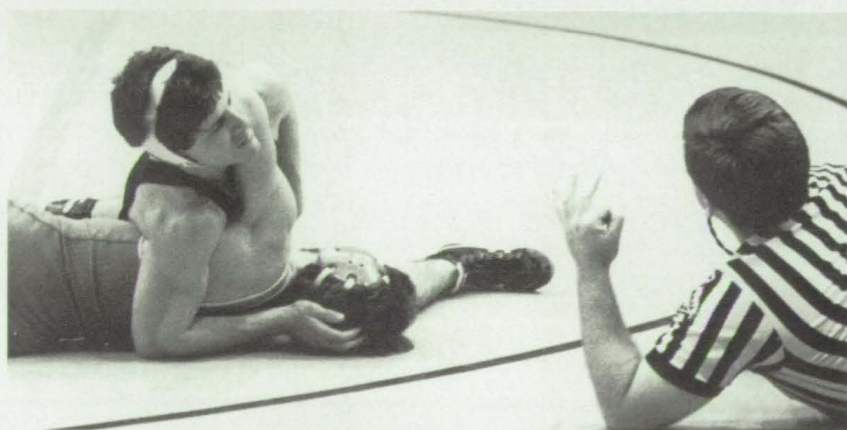
The NHS Wrestling team had a rough year this year with injuries to five varsity wrestlers at one time during the year. These wrestlers were Curt Cathcart, Paul Harvel, Robert Rodriguez, Randy Garren and Lance Allen. Their records compiled together were 46-4. Curt Cathcart, Randy Garren, Wes Srephens, Lenny Neal and Lance Allen were the five state qualifiers. Allen went on to get runner-up in the state tournament. The over-all record for the team was 8-6.



The NHS Wrestling team consists of, first row left to right, Wes Srephens, Louie Spencer, Robert Rodriguez, Lance Allen, Mike Hines, Lenny Neal, Cory Kruse, Marty Reed, Dwayne Payne, Keith Cathcart. Second row, John Beauchamp, Brandon Collins, Pat Morrow, Tony Butts, Curt Cathcart, Robert Spencer, Eddie Mendez, Les Bradbury, Joey Versluis, Craig Tracy. Back row, Coach Kenny Rogers, Sam Brakebill, Rob Hopper, Ken Werries, Troy Lewis, Steve Gray, Junior Vandorn, Randy Garren, Espen Odderbo, Kenny McClure, and Coach Jim Graham.



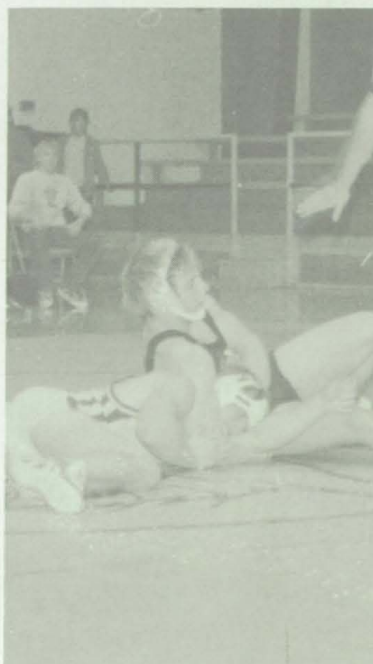
Lenny Neal, freshman, turns his opponent aggressively.



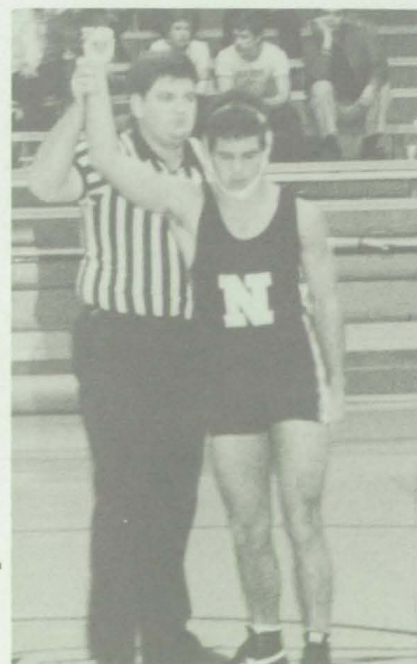
The referee gives Robert Rodriguez three back points as he tries to pin his opponent.



The four ladies that lead the Wildcat Wrestlers in enthusiasm were Debbie Branstetter, Sherry Morris, Liz McGee and Julie Jay.



Paul Harvel puts his opponent down in one of the most exciting matches of the year.



The referee signals a win for Lance Allen after exerting all his energy in a six minute match.

Golfers Grow With Experience



David Sharp, Neosho's only senior golfer this year, shows great form.

The NHS Golfers had a frustrating year this year in tournament play. Their overall dual record was 10-4, but the only tournament the Wildcats came close to winning was conference, where they got second place. David Sharp and Jeff Pruitt tied for fourth place individually in that tournament. Coach Bussey is looking forward to next years team, for it will lose only one senior, David Sharp.



Left Lance Allen and Paul Clark look over their scorecard after a match. Above, Rich Davidson, one of the successful J.V. players, practices his woods.



Members of the 1985 team are first row, left to right, Coach Tony Bussey, Richard Clemons, Joey Versluis, David Sharp, Lance Allen, Paul Clark and Jeff Pruitt. Second row, left to right, Joe Smith, Paul Crawford, Tim McCrary, Jeff Brown, Charles Genisio and Brent Lauber.

Scoreboard

NHS		OPP
163	McDonald County	187
177	Nevada	169
166	Webb City	207
174	Miami	164
156	Memorial	155
163	Carthage	181
166	Aurora	178
163	McDonald County	178
166	Nevada	163
159	Webb City	210
320	Miami	322
172	Carthage	177
165	Aurora	183
167	Memorial	165



Members of the NHS Golf team practice many hours before their matches. Pictured here are left to right, Paul Clark, Richard Clemons, Brent Lauber and David Sharp.

Boys And Girls Track



Martha Schnackenberg does her thing with a great whirl and a fling!

Neosho track was very prosperous during the season. Six athletes qualified from Neosho High School for the Class 3A-4A track meet that was held at Lincoln University, located in Jefferson City. The qualifiers were led by seniors Tammy Townsend, Bert Wood, John Thorne, Jerry Brown, sophomores Jennifer Sowersby, and Martha Schnackenberg.



Gary Shields hands off to Trent Hazlip during the heat of the race.



Dawn Davies takes a minute to discuss her strategy with Coach Lineberry and some team mates.



John Thorne is in action high above the sand box.

Captures Crown



Randy Brown shows that he's got the stamina!



Members of the boys track team consisted of: Back Row (l to r), Coach Lineberry, Jerry Brown, Bill Pockrus, Trent Haizlip, J. W. Cauthon, Randy Brown, John Thorne, Jim Rhoades, Bert Wood, Gary Shields, John Thexton, Coach Bachman, Middle Row (l to r), Eugene Judd, Max Dunham, Erron Wright, Chris Bachman, Loy Mahan, Greg Pearman, Robbie Hunt, William Weston, Chip Parmley, Front Row (l to r), Keith Henning, Phil Camerer, Jack Grant, Lenny Neal, Doug Jones, John Link.

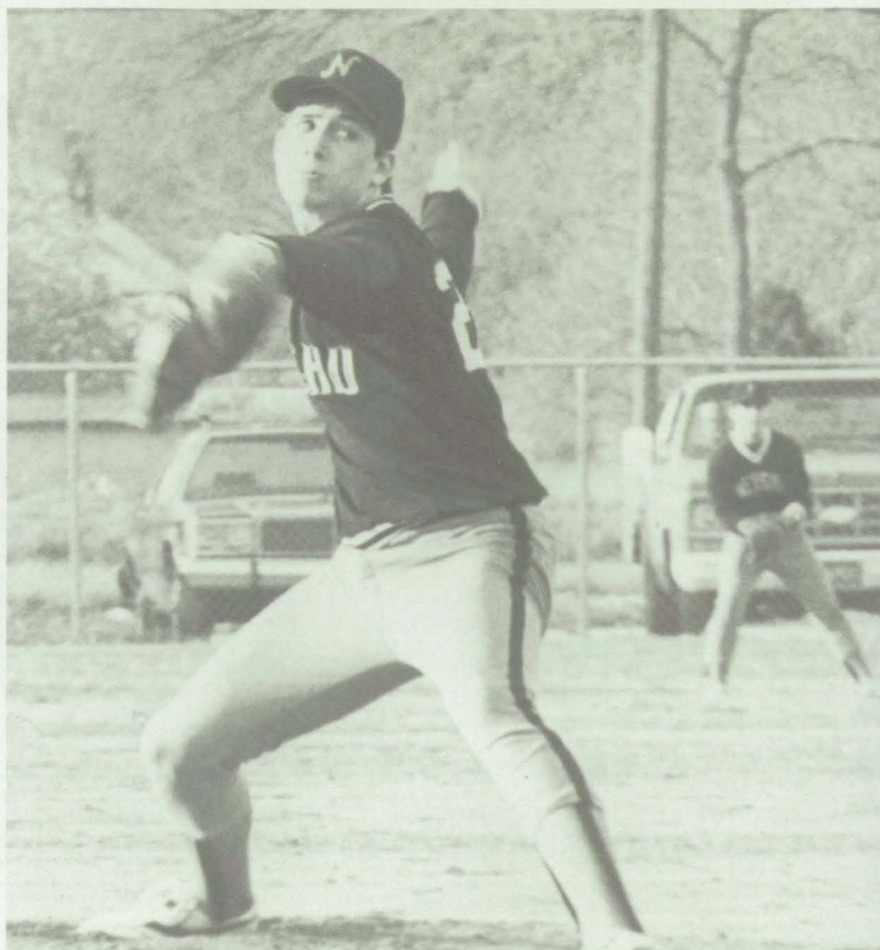


Members of the girls track team consisted of: Back Row (l to r), Coach Dickenson, Tammy Townsend, Deanna Cole, Debbie Groh, Sally Merrill, Dawn Davies, Martha Schnackenberg, Jennifer Sowersby, Susan Herron, Shawndel Jones, Shawna Galbraith, Kristie Koile, Coach Lineberry, Middle Row (l to r), Shelly Daugherty, Cindy Hickman, Marsha Ward, Abby Barnes, Michelle Beauchamp, Barbi Reeves, Jeanine Rasmussen, Debbi Bransretter, Missy Schibi, Suzanne Gray, Front Row (l to r), Amber Townsend, Traci Lyons, Paula McGarrah, Becky Freund, Marjorie Jones, Cristi Brooks, Jennifer Fagan.

Wildcats Win



Coach Fowler who has been at NHS for 13 years once again led a Neosho baseball team to a conference championship.



The Wildcats' pitching staff did a great job this year. The pitchers were Gary Massey, Brian Green, Brett Day, and Louie Spencer. Here, Brian Green contributes to the Cats' superb season.

The Neosho High School varsity baseball team had a very impressive season. As underdogs, they captured the Big 6 Conference title. The Cats only lost one conference game.

The Wildcats finished the year with a 13-9 record. This record is deceiving because the Cats could have won every game except one. This successful year was made possible by the Wildcat rough defense and pitching.

The Wildcats had some striking statistics. Brad Young led the team with a .429 batting average while Mick Ward led the team with 20 stolen bases. Gary Massey led the pitchers with a 7-2 record and an ERA of less than 2.00. The team was pleased with its season.

Life in a dugout is something that should be experienced by everyone. It can be calm or it can be down right radical. Below, Wildcat catcher Mike Cummings is viewing the game from the bench.



Conference Title

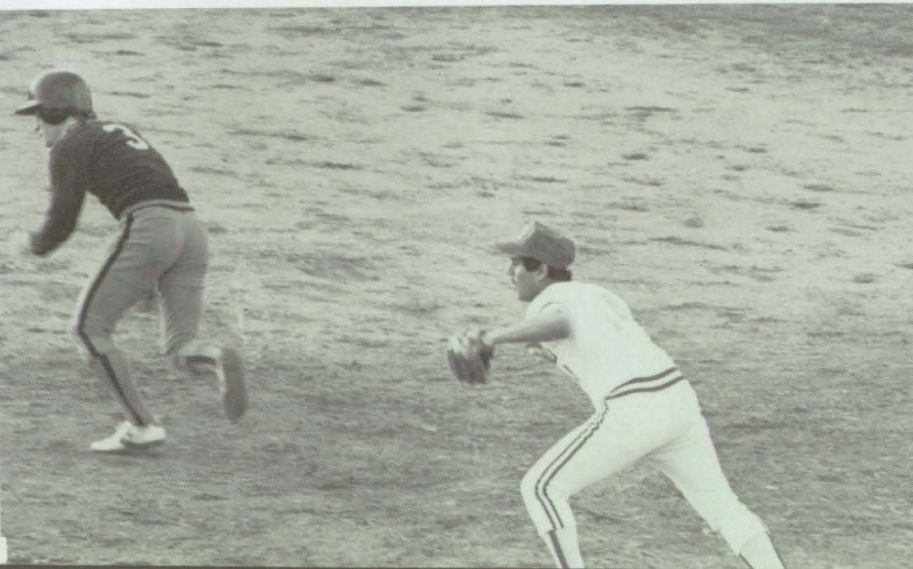


First Row- Aletha Waldroupe, Jill Brown, Mistry Vance, Jeanette Osborn. 2nd Row- Shawn Yerington, Rick Geller, Blake Day, Brian Neal, Terry Manz, Wade Bridge. Third Row- Coach Schibi, Rod Neese, Barry Mitche;l, Eric Shoenburger, Randy Roberts, Mike Payton, Mike Cummings, Paul Harvel, Shawn Cooper,

Brett Day; 2nd Team All Conference, Coach Fowler. Fourth Row- Gerald Ezell, Mike Jackson, Brent Marion, Rodney Hall, Brian Green; 2nd Team All Conference, Mick Ward; 1st Team All Conference, Brad Young; 1st Team all Conference, Scott Wolfe; 1st Team All Conference.



The Wildcats finish shaking hands with Webb City as they swept them in a double header.

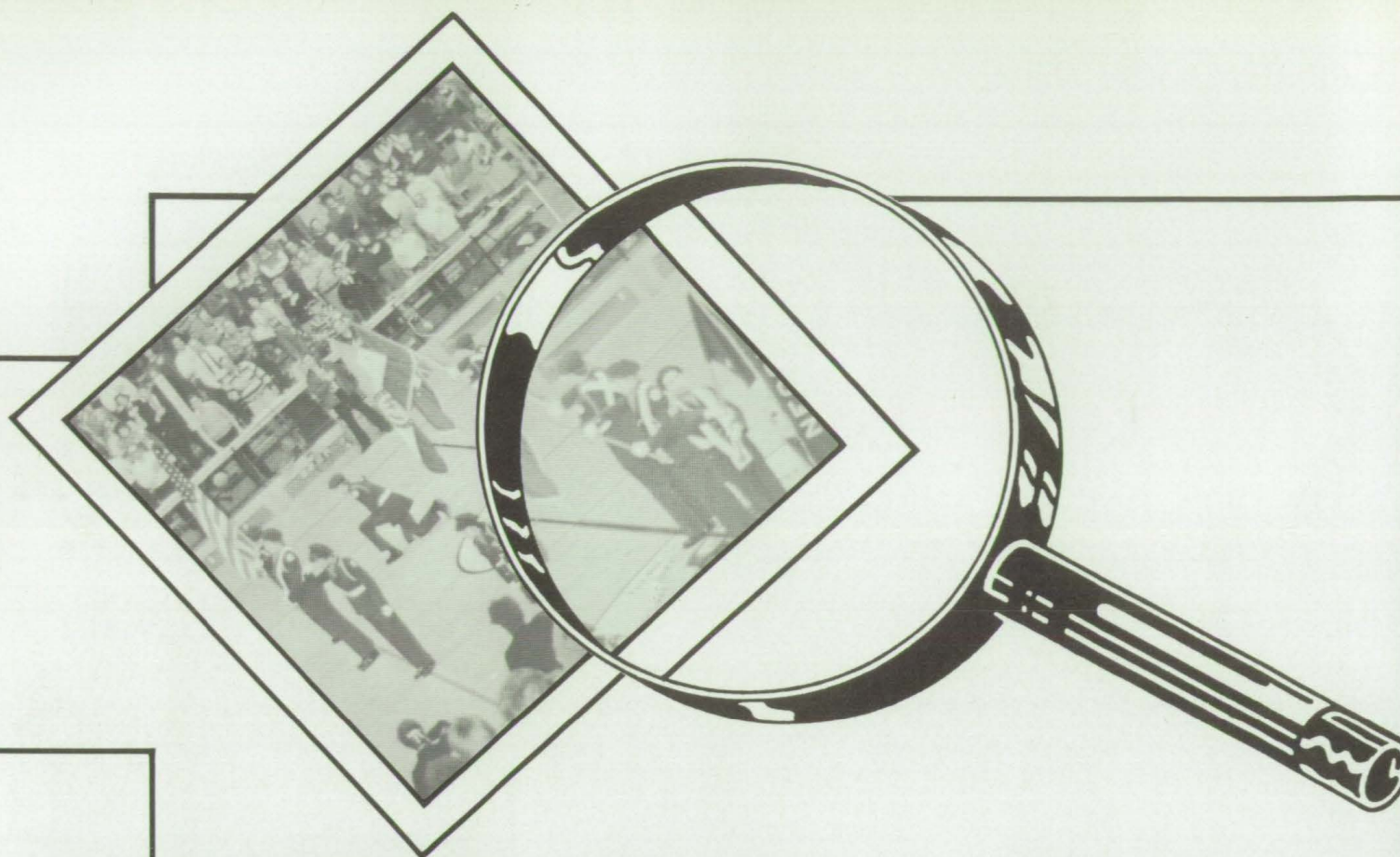


The Wildcats used their speed this year to capture the conference title as they led the conference in the stolen bases category. Mick Ward who led the team in steals, swipes another base.

Scoreboard

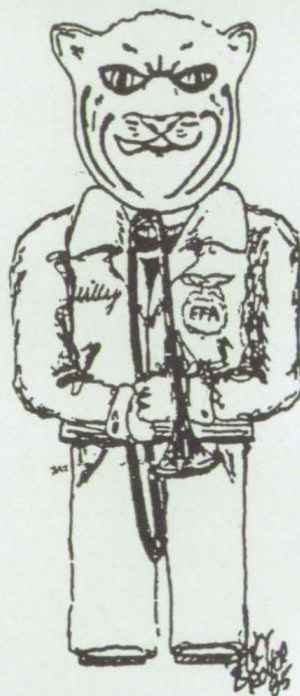
Varsity	NHS	OPP
Nevada	3	0
McDonald Co.	7	3
Webb City	9	5
Memorial	8	5
Carthage	9	11
Nevada	14	0
Hillcrest	8	2
Parkview	4	7
Pittsburg	5	7
Webb City	3	0
Memorial	8	0
Carthage	4	3
Parkview	5	3
McDonald Co.	10	0
Glendale	10	11
Kickapoo	0	8
Parkwood	1	2

Junior Varsity	NHS	OPP
Nevada	7	5
Miami	8	7
Miami	2	5
Memorial	1	8
Carthage	7	8
Nevada	6	5
Pittsburg	3	13
Memorial	6	10
Carthage	5	4
Parkview	4	3
Parkview	1	13
McDonald Co.	4	1
Glendale	13	6



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Organizations Give Opportunities

Student Council Strives Towards New Ideas



Student Council members for the 1984-1985 year are: (1st row) Warren Oaden, Dana Phelps, Becky Harper, Greg Pearman, Blake Day, Phil Tilley. (2nd row) Angie Sripp, Marsha Ward, Missy Swift, Brandi Chalka, Brerr Day. (3rd row) Pat Berrch, Mick Ward, Leigh Olive, Bruce Brown, Paul Clark, Cayla

Dodson, Susan Schmidt, Julie Jobe. (4th row) Cam Stuart, Crissy Elbrader, Becky Leach, Kerry Young, Angela Kruse, Shelly Herndon, Gary Massey, Rose Mary Jones, Charles Genesio. Not available for the picture was Jeff Tilley and Marcus Campbell.



Student Council conducts drives to better the school and the students that it represents. Mr. Sims, (above) Language Arts teacher, has been the sponsor for fifteen years. The 1984-1985 year will be his last year to sponsor the group.



Student Council officers are (l to r): Charles Genesio, president; Jeff Tilley, vice-president; Crissy Elbrader, secretary.

Key Club Has Active Year



Armed with tennis rackets, Key Clubbers prepare to battle it out at the Muscular Dystrophy volleyball game.

The objectives of Key Club are:

- To develop initiative and leadership.
- To provide experience in living and working.
- To serve the school and community.
- To cooperate with the school principal.
- To prepare for useful citizenship.

To accept and promote the following ideals:

To give primacy to the human and spiritual, rather than to the material values of life. To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule to all human relationships.

To promote the adoption and appreciation of higher standards in scholarship, sportsmanship, and social contracts.

To develop by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship.

To provide a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render unselfish service, and to build better communities.

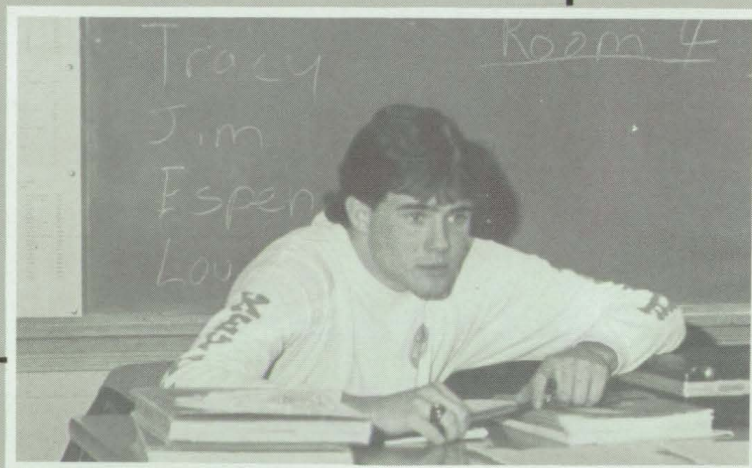
To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which makes possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and goodwill.



Key Club officers for the 1984-1985 school year are: Gary Massey, treasurer; Eugene "Pig" Judd, vice-president; Jim Rhoades, president. Not available for picture was Marcus Compbell, secretary.



Key Club meetings can be very interesting; just ask Allen Jones.



Is it a vulture or a Pig? Eugene Judd scans the meeting.

National Honor Society Shares



Tammy Townsend shows how proud she is to work for the Bloodmobile.

Nine students from the Neosho High School attended the National Honor Society Convention on April 19-20, 1985. These students attended seminars with 412 other students representing 40 schools across the state. The convention was held at the Sheraton Westport Inn in St. Louis and was hosted by the Hillsboro High School.

One of the keynote speakers was Mr. Bill Sanders who is the president of Alternatives in Motivation which is a company dedicated to stimulating individuals, companies, and organizations to peak performance and success.

The students attended seminars on topics such as employment procedures, government, careers, colleges, fund-raising, teenage suicide, advertising, and body language.

Students attending the convention from Neosho High School were: Jerry Brown, Toby Cole, Crissy Elbrader, Jean Finch, Becky Leach, Teresa Morehead, John Petit, Jeff Tilley, and Kerry Young. Their sponsor was Diana Jessup.

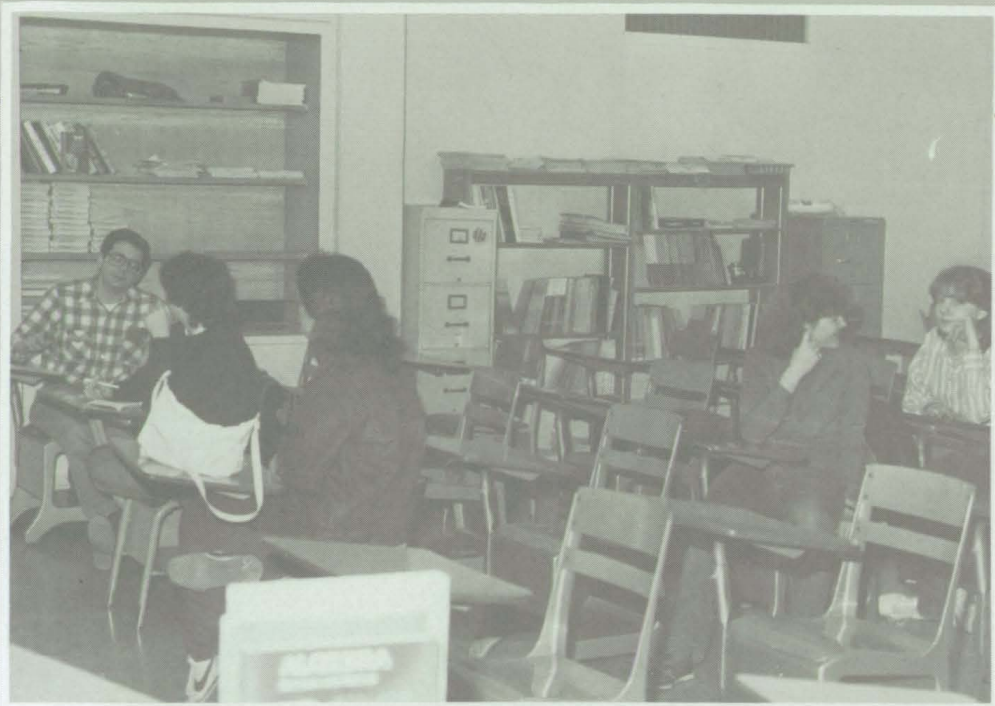


NHS officers of the 1984-1985 year are: Jeff Tilley, president; Becky Leach, vice-president; Gary Massey, treasurer; Teresa Morehead, secretary.



Bill Windhorst shares some of his good humor with a nurse at the Bloodmobile.

Interact Club Works To Serve



Interact members discuss upcoming projects with Mr. Haupt.

Interact club remained very active during the year. The club took part in many activities and fundraisers that provided commitment, initiative, and service for themselves, as well as for the community. To close out the year, a check was presented to the American Red Cross. Interact club officers were: Stephen Gray, president; Toby Cole, vice-president; Lisa Daugherty, secretary-treasurer.



Mr. Haupt, sponsor of this year's Interact Club, oversees the meetings and makes sure that everything goes smoothly.



Steven Gray, president, gives the itinerary for upcoming events involving the club.

Psychology Club Analyzes The Clues

Psychology Club was an active club. Guest speakers came and spoke on subjects from child abuse to telekinesis. Officers for the 1984-85 school year were: Dan Hill, president; Shawn Cooper, vice-president; Shelly Manz, secretary; Peggy Brodie, Sabrina Ferguson, Dallas Hughes, and Cong Dang, steering committee.



Pictured from left to right: Tineka Sanders, Janelle Fox, Tracy Schnakenberg, and Mark Snow as they listen intently to a guest speaker.



Shown at left is Mr. Robin Montz, sponsor of the Psychology Club. He stated that being in Psychology Club, "Gives you a chance to learn more about the field . . . and about many of the interesting things psychologists deal with."



Pictured at right are April Guest and Shelly Manz as they give their undivided attention to a speaker during a meeting.

Art Club Searches For

Shown at right are members of the 1984-85 Art Club: Scott Stanley, Rae Clark, Paula Sprenger, Deana Ruddick, and Tisha Graue. Their sponsor, Gary Warren, is shown seated. Mr. Warren stated, "The art club has worked on projects which are not normally done in the classroom as well as those which they have been working on in class."



Literary Club Reads Between The Lines



Mrs. Stover has been the literary club sponsor for more years than she can remember.



Members of the literary club are Connie Slaughter, Susan Paulson, Julie Rasmussen, Heather Wimsett, and Lorra Jones.



Literary club is for anyone interested in learning more about fine literature. Literary club had an active year. Members held several meetings, watched movies and entered writing contests. They even held a writing contest, themselves. The officers for literary club are Susan Paulson, vice president; Julie Rasmussen, president; Heather Wimsett, secretary and treasurer.

Uniqueness



Mr. Warren cleans up after an art club meeting. He stated, "The purpose of the art club is to give advanced art students the opportunity to go beyond the normal routine of the classroom and develop further skills in areas we do not cover in day to day activities."



Tisha Graue and Deanna Ruddick display their professional artistic skills during a meeting. "Oh the life of an artist is so drab."

Computer Club Scans Activities

Computer Club Officers are: Mia Denman, secretary; Brad Callen, president; Shawn Cooper, vice president and John Beauchamp, treasurer.

What's left to discover? Where are the Thomas Edisons, the Eli Whitneys, or the Herman Holleriths? What goals — "Wair, Herman who?"

Ask friends and neighbors if they ever heard of Herman Hollerith, and it will be unusual if anyone says "yes". But in Europe his name is remembered. Many technical articles refer to "the Hollerith System". Life the way we know it is due to this man; so who is he? Herman Hollerith, with his punch cards and electric tabulator, holds claim to the first working invention of modern information technology — he gave us the computer.

Hollerith's tabulator, with its built in adding machine was used to tabulate results for the 1890 census. People marveled at the speed and accuracy with which it performed, calculating the population of the U.S. in only six weeks, a job which had formerly taken years.

In 1911 Hollerith sold his Tabulating Machine Company. Thirteen years later the name was changed to International Business Machines Corporation, or IBM.

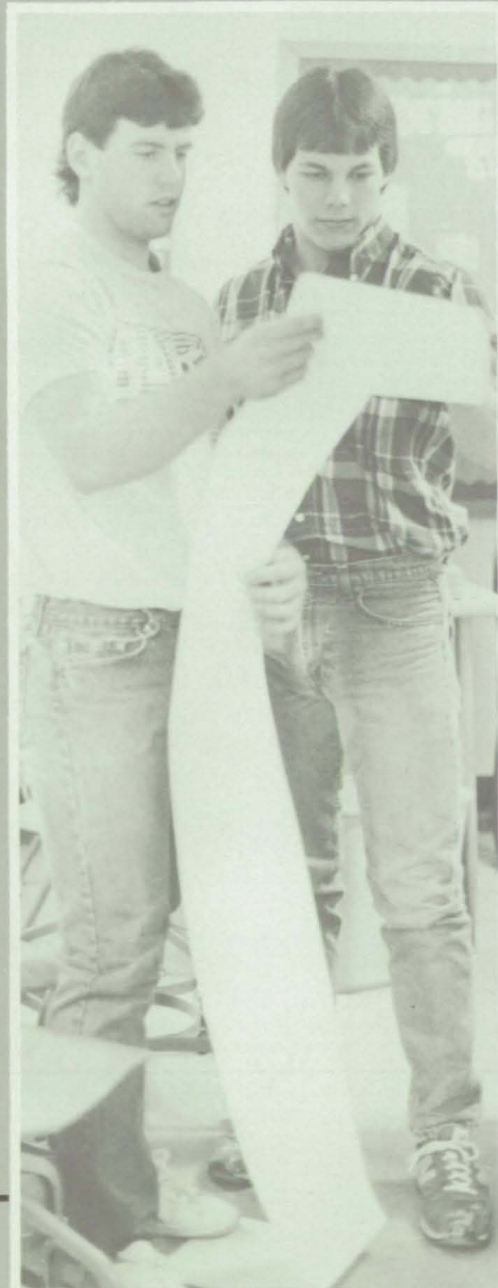
Compared to the computers of today, Hollerith's machine was big and cumbersome. Nevertheless, it gave the world a new age; The Computer Age.



Ms. Manhattan claws her way through another lecture on Trivial Pursuit coffee mugs.



Can Jimmy Sexton blow up the enemies' bunker? Even computers aren't all work and no play.



"I sure didn't think it would turn out like that!" Shawn Cooper and John Beauchamp study the program.

Math Club Finds A Common Denominator



Members present are (left to right): Heath Hulse, Teresa Morehead, Kim Henning, Michelle Leisenring, Pat Morrow, Heather Wimsert, Joe Price, and Dhavnesha Bhaktra

Remember being confused, lost, troubled, or unable to do the Algebra homework, then you could have gone to Mr. Morehead's room any morning before school and have got some help from the Math Club.

Members not only promoted mathematics by tutoring, they also attended a math competition at MSSC once a month. Math contest was a very singular experience. Mr. Morehead handed out worksheets two weeks before the contest. These were to be studied in preparation for the upcoming event. However they were most often only looked at the night before or on the bus to Joplin.

Once on campus, members could look forward to thirty minutes of problems that involved equations they had never seen or required one to remember that formula which was so easy two years ago. There also was a ten minute team problem for all the members to argue over. One thing they learned from doing team problems was, "It was most often best to go with the first impression."



Above left: Tutoring is a very important part of Math Club. Here Heather Wimsert receives some much needed help on her Calculus from Teresa Morehead.

Above right: Computers can even be a puzzle for the Math Club sponsor. Mr. Morehead works to solve his puzzling program. Left: Math Club officers are: Teresa Morehead, president; Robyn Nall, secretary/treasurer



Science Club Explores The World



Lounging around are Toby Cole, Sue Seideman, Jody Sparks, and Becky Leach.



Smirking at her latest feat, Anne Rasmussen displays her frog.

Artificial hearts and new DNA facts make up just a portion of the current events that the Science Club discussed and looked into this year. This club was organized to give additional help to the Science Research class's

projects and to take field trips. The field trips didn't materialize but the students were helped a lot with their projects and all had a great time forming lasting friendships and learning all about the world around them.

The 1984-1985 Science Club consisted of from left to right, Sue Seideman, Toby Cole, Mrs. Richardson, who kept everything going, Heather Wimsatt, Jody Sparks, Becky Leach, and Anne Rasmussen looking over them from above. This group enjoyed a fun year together learning about the science

world and forming lasting friendships with the other students who were also interested in science and the related fields. All except one were seniors, and these kids were good students and all will accomplish great things in college as they keep up the good work and keep being curious.

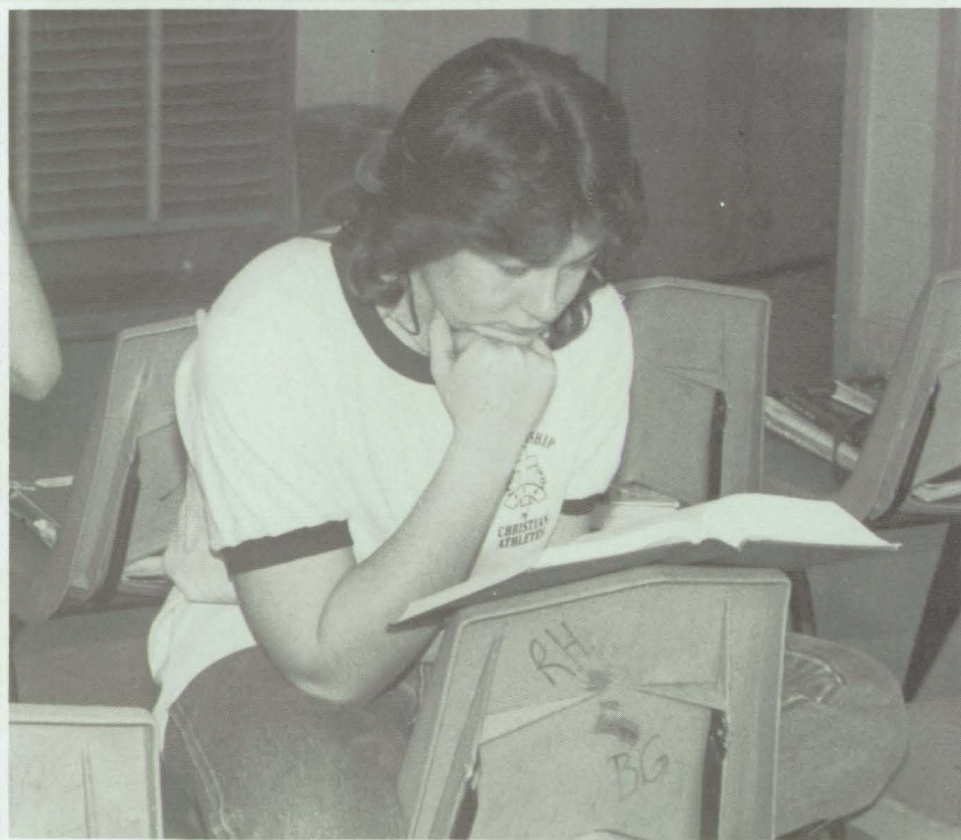


Fellowship Of Christian Athletes United In Fun



The members of the 1984-1985 Fellowship of Christian Athletes are, from left to right: Top Row — Phil Tilley, Roy Thurman, Jeff Tilley, Mick Ward, Gary Massey, Kerry Young, Scacia Roy, John Thorne, and Beth Barnes. Middle Row — Tim McCrary, Brenda Offenbacker, Connie Slaughtner, Joy Parrett, Julie Jay, and Donna Barker. Bottom Row — Tana Cummins, Kristen Trenary, Stacy

Bandy, Berh McMillan, Heath Hulsey, Jeania Farmer, Gordon Severs, Suzanne Gray, Amber Townsend, and Deanna Cole. All of these students gathered for this picture in the Mini Gym and lots of laughter was exchanged as they piled on top of each other to take this picture and showed their comradery.



Reading in the Word is one of the most important things a Christian can do, and Joy Parrett is enjoying hers. This club is not only for athletes, but for anyone who loves God and enjoys fellowship with other people who feel the same. The group this year was quite large and everyone enjoyed themselves.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is an organization for athletes and non-athletes alike to come together for fellowship and to study the Word. Each member has a different reason for joining, but all come out a much richer person, having made lasting friendships with other people who love God. They have accomplished many things this year, like selling refreshments at different games and meeting for breakfast at McDonalds.

Future Homemakers Of America Stir Up Fun



Stirring up fun in the kitchen are Lisa Richards, Susan Paulson, and Julie Rasmussen.

Baking cookies for blood drives, holding craft and food contests, visiting elderly people at different old folks homes, and playing and laughing with little children at the Christian Church Day Care Center are many of the things that make up the year for the FHA members.



The 1984-1985 Future Homemakers of America are from left to right: Back Row — Tina Meyers, Recia Richards, Lisa Richards, Susan Paulson, and Julie Rasmussen. Front Row — Tina Pierce, Carmen Yeary, Abby Keller, Sharon Fortenbaugh, and Carrie Cline



The officers are Tina Meyer, treasurer; Recia Richards, secretary; Lisa Richards, vice president; Susan Paulson, president, and Julie Rasmussen, reporter.



Having fun is a major part of FHA and Julie Rasmussen certainly had her share. All of the members helped bake, entertain, and cheer up, and everyone can say that it was a fun, profitable year.



Shy, but enthralled, the little children from the Christian Church listen as Lisa Richards reads.

Business Club Computes Fun And Friendship



Stopping a moment to rest during the busy day, Jo Glover and the other girls in Business Club get some good advice from their sponsor, Mrs. Roberts, on their current activity. Mrs. Roberts really helped the girls with their business problems by just being there for them.



The 1984-1985 Business Club consists of the following: (from left to right) Lisa Williams, Lisa Cooper, Julia Wood, Carolyn Hulsey, Janer Bogle, Shelly Manz, Julie Jobe, Carla Heaser, Jo Glover, Becky Leach, and Leigh Olive. These girls really had a great year learning about business.



The officers of the 1984-1985 Business Club are left to right, Julie Jobe, secretary; Leigh Olive, president; Julia Wood, program committee; and Carla Heaser filling in for sister Maria Heaser, who is the Vice President. Business Club is dedicated to helping interested students further their knowledge of business and office machines, and the group this year had great fun doing different activities, including making a Christmas card for each NHS faculty member.

Strings Have Good Year

The orchestra had a rather good year. Their first main event was the NEO A & M Instrumental Festival in February. At this contest they received an overall first division rating. Soloists receiving first division ratings were: Michelle Leisenring, viola; Sarah Willson, violin; Parry Buhr, violin; and Carey Hickman, violin. The two ensembles that received first division ratings were: a string duet of Kristen Trenary and Kim Herron; and a string quintet of Kristen Trenary, Jessica Warren, Carey Hickman, Kim Herron, and Michelle Leisenring.

The orchestra went to the District Music Festival at Missouri Southern in March. They received a first division rating. Parry Buhr was the only soloist to receive a first division rating with her violin solo. No ensembles were given first division ratings at this festival.

This year, they performed at the area's elementary schools. This was the first year they played for other schools in about six or seven years.



The orchestra practices during their class period.



Steve Allen attempts to play serenely.



Mr. Stephen Widder, Conductor

Jazz Performs With Style And Excellence



The 1984-85 Jazz Band jumps at the chance to switch instruments.

This year's Jazz Band was very successful.

At the NEO Jazz Festival in Miami, Oklahoma, they received a first division rating.

At the Pittsburg State University Jazz Festival, they received a first division rating. Solo improvisation first division ratings were awarded to John Pettit, Raymond Hines, David Montz, and Tim Wince. Bennie Hines was awarded a "one plus" rating (picture; lower left).

Robert Wentworth, David Johnson, Jeff Tilley, Gerald Ezell, David Montz, and Darren Peoples received Outstanding Musicianship Awards from the National Association of Jazz Educators. John Pettie was named to the All-District Jazz Ensemble. He was the first student from Neosho to be chosen for this group.



Music Groups Add Zest To

Cecilian and Treble choir performed at the Fall, Winter, and Spring concerts. Members of both choirs participated in the District Music Festival. Cecilian choir received one ratings at the District Music Festival. Forty students represented the vocal department at the State Music Festival in Columbia.



Cecilian choir is made up of only juniors and seniors.

Concert choir performed at the Fall, Winter and Spring concerts. Many members participated in the District Music Festival in either solo or ensemble divisions and received fine ratings.



Choraleers practice their choreography for a performance.

NHS Life



Treble choir in costume sing "Side By Side" during a performance.



Suzanne Tiller, music director, waits for scores during the State Music competition at Columbia Missouri.



Choraleers give an energized performance.



Jim Rhoades and Jean Finch were elected Mr. and Miss Cecilian by the Cecilian choir.



Girls ensemble, Brenda Offenbacher, Mia Denman, Robyn Nall, Tammy Smith, Connie Slaughter and Christi Diggs.



Choraleers, Rick Haslip, Jim Rhoades, John Pettit, Mike Hines, Garry Fausett and Jim Hoover.

The Band Plays On

Every game fans could count on crowd pleasing music from the band. Shown are David Johnson, Dan Hill, Susie Corkerey and Janelle Fox.

Pride, hardwork, and dedication is the key to the success of the Wildcat Band. Many long, hard hours are put into one performance. But for the hard-working performer, it is all worth it.

For most of the band members it was a dream come true when they saw their name on the list as upcoming freshmen. Most had already put in four years to have the chance of being in the band. Nervous, tense, and so afraid of failure, they entered the small back room where Mr. Kelso sat ready to hear how they performed. With shaky hands they carefully played each note.

Several weeks passed as they wondered if they were one of the few that would make the cuts. Soon the list was posted and they saw their name. Now they felt accomplished, excited, and frightened.

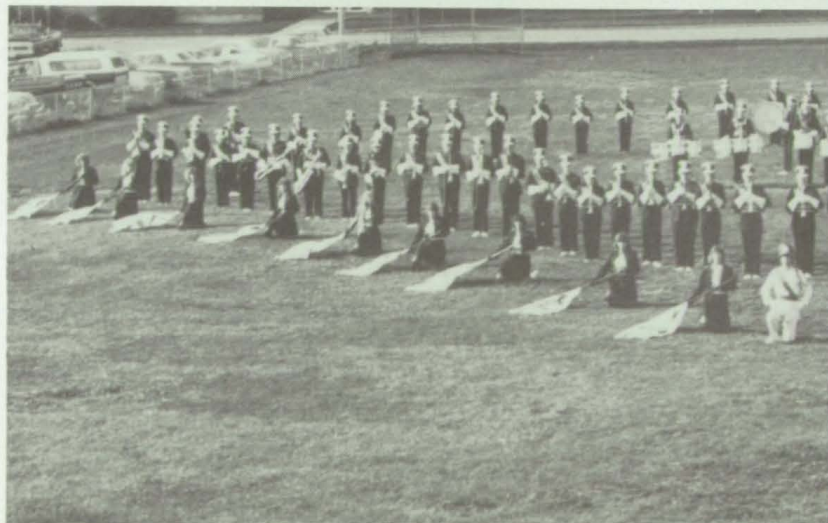
After four years of early morning practice, summer band and Thursday night practice, the band became an important part of each member's life. There were always gripes and complaints throughout the year, but most would agree that their spot as a member of Wildcat Band was worth much more than anyone outside the band could ever realize.

As upcoming freshmen brought excitement, enthusiasm and new ideas, the seniors left with a feeling of sadness and emptiness as they looked back over four short years. The 1985 seniors remembered hearing all too often "dumb frosh, dumb frosh." But, as seniors, they proved themselves to be leaders.

Many would never set foot on a football field again in uniform and feel the power, the excitement and the sense of accomplishment of a show well done.

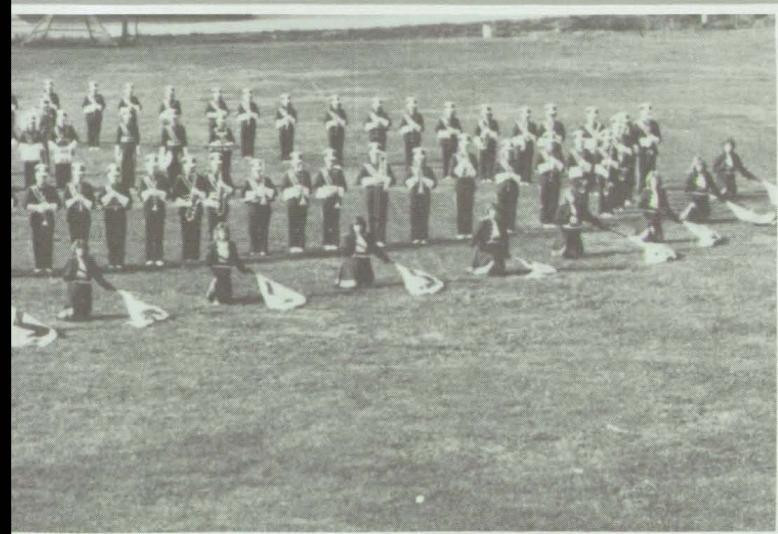
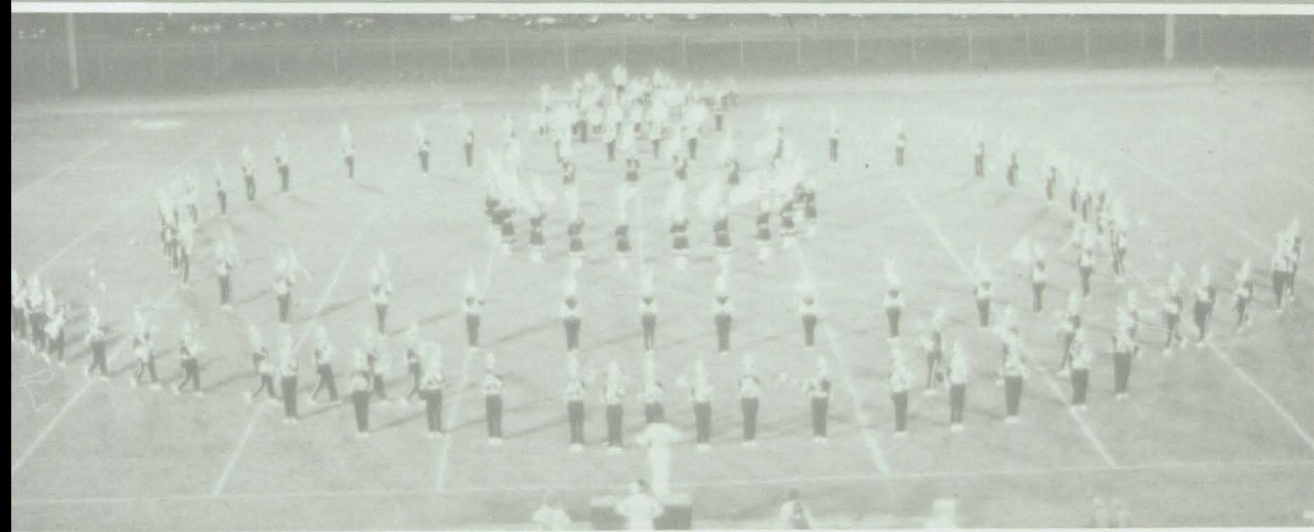
However, each graduating senior will remember those feelings each time they recall the announcement at the beginning of each show . . .

Ladies and Gentlemen. Neosho High School proudly presents the 1984 edition of the Neosho Wildcat Band. The 130 member band is directed by James Kelso and Stephen Widder . . . Ladies and Gentlemen . . . The Pride of the Ozarks, The Wildcat Band!



Above: Being in the band is definitely not all work. There is always time for fun and games after practice and occasionally during practice. Rose Bud the clown entertains Mr. Kelso's son, Spencer, at his third birthday party given by the band.

Third quarter is a welcome break for band members to relax and discuss plans for the evening. **Below:** At their last half-time of 1984 the band performs a colorful circle drill to Brazillia, finishing the season with an array of fireworks. **Right:** Gerald Ezell tries to catch a few winks of sleep during each morning rehearsal.



Wildcat Band received a first division rating and first place in 4-A class at the Tulsa State Fair. They also received a first division rating at MSSC District Music Festival.

The Speech Squad Finds The Right Words

Everyone has gone past the main entrance some Friday morning and seen a pile of suitcases, clothes bags, brief cases and pillows. Why were they there? What was going on?

It was probably the Neosho High School Speech and Debate Squad. The squad consisted of approximately fifty students who compered in such activities as Lincoln-Douglas debate, Oregon style debate, oratory, extemporaneous speaking, humorous and dramatic duets, and dramatic and humorous interpretations.

To many these may be unfamiliar terms but to them they represent competition, excitement and hard work.

Many of the squad members said that they spent about two hours a day for at least a month before the first tournament researching, writing, practicing and memorizing. Most of the squad agreed that, outside of losing, the work was the most difficult part of being on the squad. They also listed a few other hardships including; lack of sleep on overnight trips, crummy food, losing their scripts, the long bus rides, the waiting, and above all not meeting anyone of the opposite sex.

However the good outweighed the bad. The best thing, obviously was winning but there were many other pleasant aspects of going on tournaments, such as meeting new people and going to different schools. There was also the competition, which forced them to learn to pull their own weight. Missing school on some Fridays and meeting people they had something in common with were other advantages.

The trophy case near the auditorium contained evidence of their many hours of work and their right to have been proud.



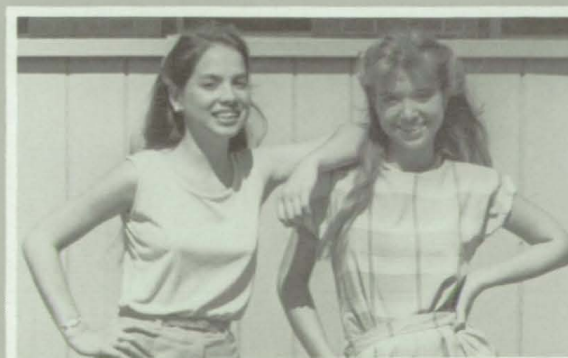
Vicki Deneffrio, Lyndall Burrow, Krista Puidk and "Toddy" rabulate ranks. Neosho's Tab Room is among the best statewide.



David Clifton and Steven Maye study the latest debate results.



Varsity Speech Squad Members are: (left to right) Back row: Bill McLaughlin, Jeff Kruse, David Clifton, Eric Jensen, Stuart Puckert, Charles Geniso, Todd Tyler. Middle row: David Coleman, Tim McCrary, Kim Herron, Michelle Miller, John Darnell, Jennifer Mills. Front row: Brian Freund, Mia Denman, Tammy Phillips, Krista Puidk, Tania Ortega, Vicki Deneffrio, Marla Plant, Bruce Brown, Denise Mason



(Above) Tania Ortega and Michelle Miller excelled in forensics. Both won first in state, Tania for her Dramatic Interp and Michelle for Storytelling. (Left) Tania Ortega and Eric Jensen are both on their way to Nationals, Tania with her Dramatic Interp and Eric with his skill as a debator.

Thespians Find Their Talent

Once Upon a Mattress brings bravery, laughter and magic to the N.H.S. stage. Here Preston Lacy, the knight, and Jeser, Charles Genisio discuss a plan with Lyndall Burrow, the wizard.



(Left) Thespian officers are: Mike Hines, president; Shan Mathews, vice president; and Tania Orrego, secretary. (Above) Neosho's Thespian Society members are: (back row: left to right) Lyndall Burrow, Mike Hines, Richard Wood, Jay Glavin, Shan Mathews. 2nd row: Maria Berz, Tania Orrego, Vicki Denefrio, Kim Herron. 3rd row: Lisa Daugherty, Stacy Bandy, Elizabeth Enloe, John Darnell, Michelle Miller.

Everyone who went to even one school play heard of them. Everyone who walked past the benches saw them. Almost everyone thought it would be nice to be like them. They were the major actors and set builders, the ones that had stars by their names on play programs, they were the Thespians of Neosho High School.

The International Thespian Society can trace its roots back to the time of Thespis, who lived in the sixth century B.C. Thespis was a Greek poet and is said to have been the founder of tragedy. More than that, he introduced an actor to Greek plays in addition to the chorus. The concept of actors lead to the development of modern day theater.

Neosho's Thespians worked very hard to take this concept to the limits of their abilities. They entertained the school and community in a style which even Thespis would have approved.



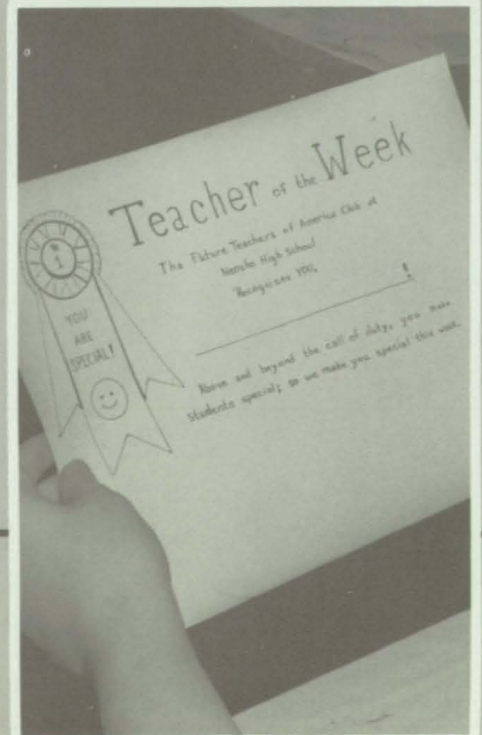
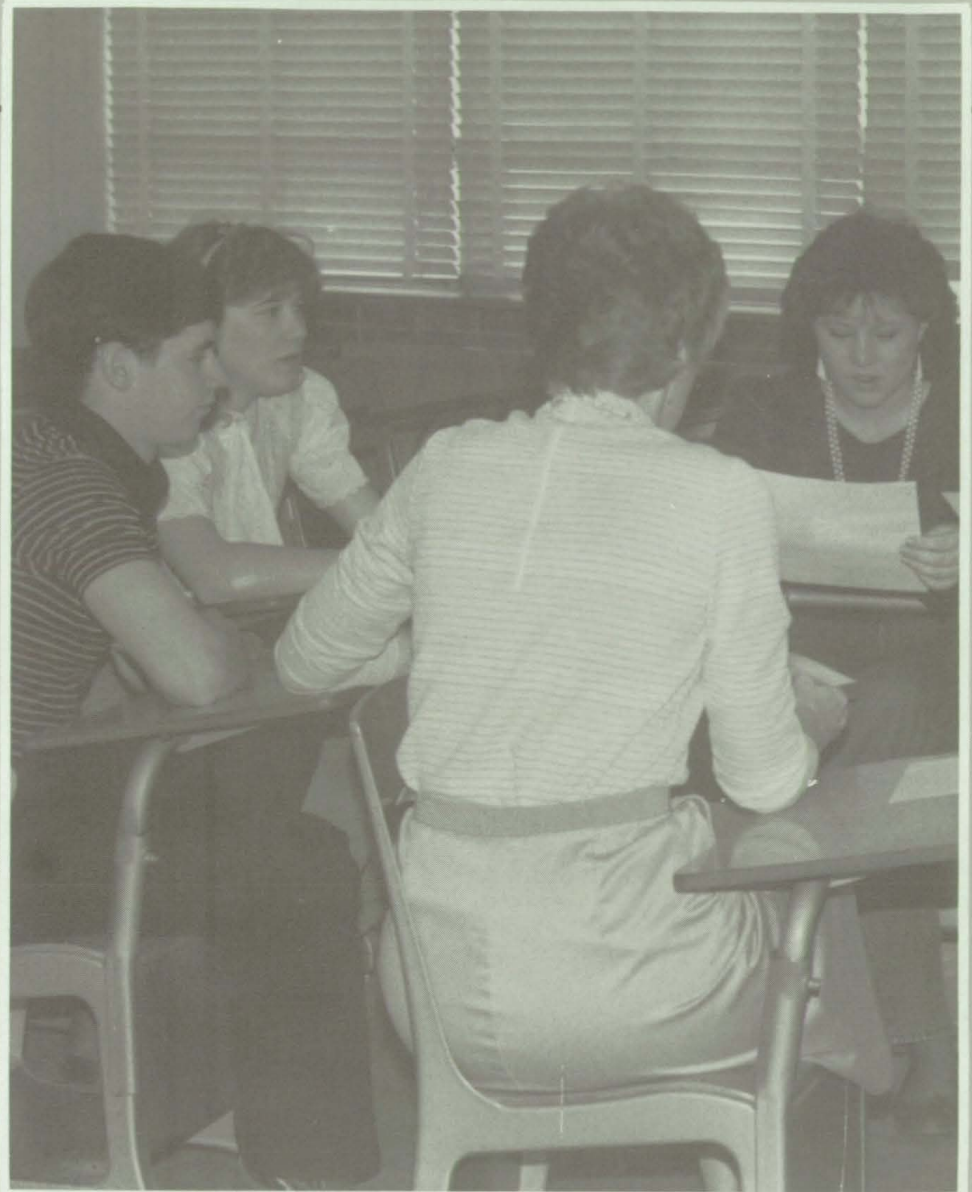
In *Wait Until Dark* Tania Orrego, the blind woman, gets tangled in a web of deception as Mike Hines tries to use her to help him find a maniac's doll.

The Future Teachers Of America Shines In Its First Year

The 1984-85 school year was the first for the Future Teachers of America Club. Miss Winn was the sponsor for the club and members were Tina Meyer, Paula Gilbert, Marcus VanDorn, Brenda Offenbacher, Sandy Hall, Mark Mulik, Gary Massey, Jeff Tillery, Carrie Cline, Connie Slaughter, and Alisha Spears.

A few of the goals of the Neosho Future Teachers of America were to provide leadership training and experiences, portray the ideals, ethics, history, and program of the organized teaching profession, and to provide opportunities in which students observed and shared the work of the teachers in school and community thus exploring their own abilities and interest in teaching as a career.

Meetings were held often. The Teacher of the Week was an award given by the FTA.



DECA and COE Work For Experience



Jay Galvin works at IGA and Sharon Heiskel works at the Vo-Ag Building at Neosho High School.



The Neosho Distributive Education Clubs of America chapter has its largest membership during the 1984-85 school year.

The members were Shelley Baker, Roxie Barclay, Terri Barnett, Kay Bickford, Pam Bohannon, Carl Boyd, Curtis Cornell, James Craig, Christie David, Lisa Davidson, Chris Dilbeck, Chris Ernest, Sheila Estes-Thompson, Garry Faussett, Clint Ford, Stephen Garner, Angela Geller, Jay Galvin, Angie Guerrero, Donette Baird, Sharon Heiskell, Carolyn Howard, Billie Jo Kennedy, Melissa Lay, Leasa Marshall, Missi Moore, Bill Pockrus, Ava Sams, Bob Sams, Kim Shoenberger, Rick Shoenberger, Betty Smith, Lee Ann Smith, Spencer Stephens, Jeff Struddard, Debbie Taylor, Marcus Van Dorn, Doug Widen-er, Traci Williams, Cindy Willis, William Windhorst, Debbie Yerington, Dawna Johnson, Steve Skaggs, Tim Clemons, Paula Gilbert, Christy Vincent, Tausha Kruse, Teresa Rinehart, Greg White, Jim Claussen, Ann Taylor, and Regina McClendon.

FFA Discovers A Way Of Life

Candidates for barnwarming were, left to right, Stacia Scott, Michelle Hutchinson, Kim Thurman, Mindy Simmers, Sherri Morris. Sherri Morris was awarded chapter sweetheart.



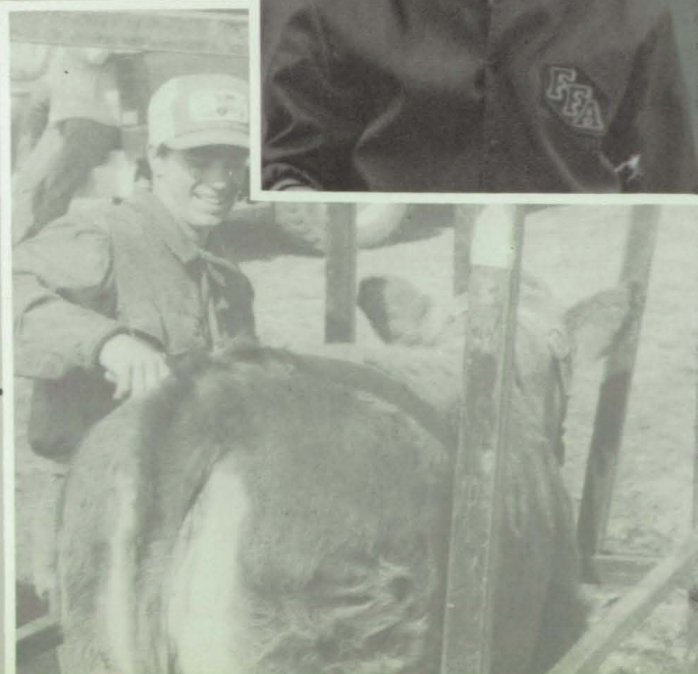
Officers from left to right: Sherri Morris Reporter, Kim Thurman Sentinel, David Johnson President, Michelle Hartgrove Vice President, Vicki Wheeler Secretary, Ann Rassmussen Treasurer. All officers have a very important job in keeping parliamentary procedure in the chapter.



Mike Klancher is one of the many outstanding members of FFA. He attended the creed speaking contest at Sarcovie; out of 16 contestants Mike placed fourth with a trophy. He then went to the National Convention in Kansas City. Mike had encouragement and did a lot of hard work. Below: Mike enjoys showing cattle.



Contest in FFA are very fun, but time consuming. The students taking part in them have to spend a lot of their free time to participate in them. The contest teams consist of mechanics, foods, meats, floricultures, poultry, nursery, and soils. These contest teams work to know their subjects perfectly to identify them at contest. They all work on an individual level to grade each item, but they all work together as a team in hope to make districts. If the team places high in districts, they go to state. It takes a lot of team work to make state.





Neosho High Greenhands-The National officers of the FFA conducted seven Greenhand motivational conferences in Missouri. Seated from left are Nanci Mason, southern region vice president; Micheal Gayaldo, national secretary; Brad Bass, western region vice president; and Graham Boyd, east region vice president. Standing, second row: Tony Hoyt FFA program specialist for leadership, and Greenhands from Neosho: David Rigdon, Craig Tracy, Jim Fellows, Ken Johnson, Kevin Harrison, John Rash, and vo-ag instructor, Mike Aldrich. Third: Mike Gilbert, Everett Johnson, Ken Jarasz, Mike Barnett, Troy Harryman, Oren Barnes and instructor Don Ward. Fourth row: Mike Klancher, Candy Burton, Trudy Little, Greg Ruark, Terry Denefrio and Lloyd Mahan. Fifth row: James Nivens, Darrell Walters, Ken Werries, Mike Capps, Joe Watson, Carl Talley and Duane Garren. Sixth row: Tracy Mulkey, Leslee Janss, Tammy McBride, Tony Butts, David Widner, Rob Hopper and Dena Carroll.



These students have been in FFA for three or more years. They all have worked hard to make area farmers. If they accomplish this, they try for state farmers. The students who have made area farmer are left to right: Sherri Morris, Ann Rasmussen, Vicki Wheeler, Kim Thurman, and Bruce Morgan. Vicki Wheeler won the state farmer award.



The top sellers of citrus fruits were from front to back: Kenny Johnson, Bonnie Dickford, and Justin Gilstrap.



The chapter sells fruit each year for money to support FFA projects. The top sellers receive a Top Sellers Award. The team works in distributing the fruits sold.

AFJ ROTC Discovers New Pride

Pride-Neosho High School has always been full of pride. The Neosho High School Reserve Officers Training Corps has taken on its own theme of pride. The new NCO, Sgt. Joseph Valade, may have started this emphasis on ROTC pride, but the students have picked it up and made it work. As Cindy Bradley explained, "We've got good people in here." During ROTC recruitment, pride, leadership, good grades and potential are looked for by the corps. Trips and competitions keep it alive and also challenging. Aim high is the Air Force slogan and that is just what Neosho ROTC has done for the school.



Cadets and their dates danced to live music at the ROTC Ball, one of the highlights of the year. Good food, relaxed atmosphere and formal wear makes any cadet look forward to the fun-filled evening. The excitement of the evening builds to the crowning of the King and Queen as the cadet corps celebrate another successful year. Following the crowning, cadets dance, eat and party the night away.



Cadets are given the opportunity to feel the great sensation of riding in the U.S. Air Force helicopter.

The big night is here! J.R. Stillions, Brian James, Matt Morrison, Kelly Hill, and Ken Yoder work together to get up the nerve to ask that ROTC sweetheart at their first ROTC Ball.



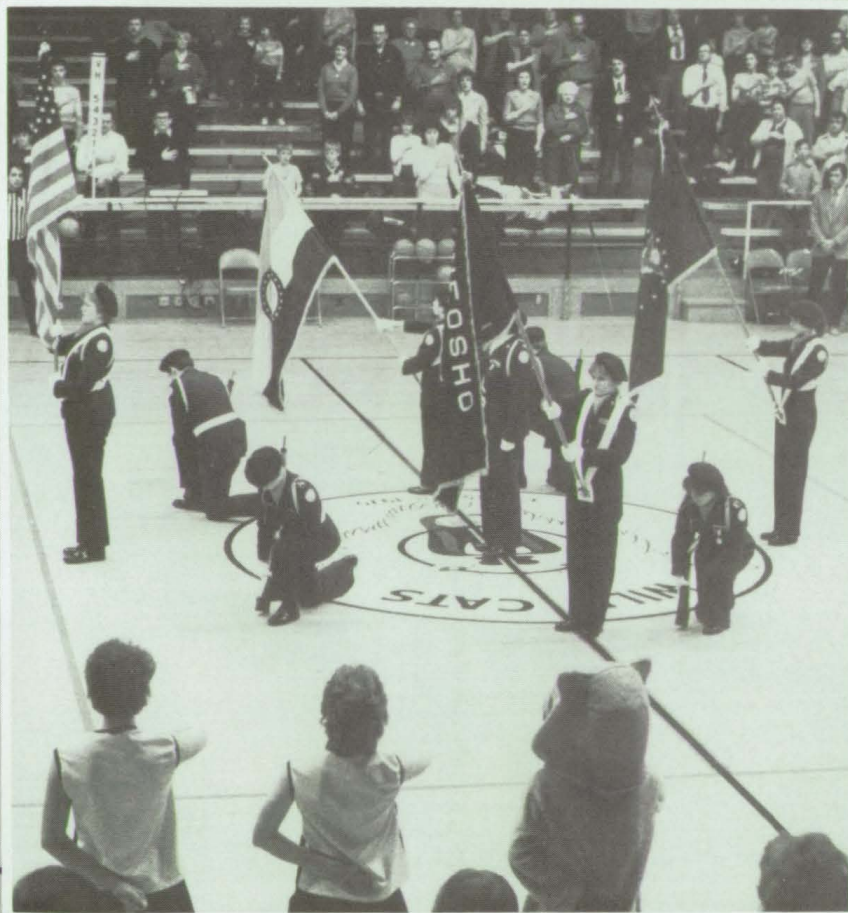
ROTC kings and queen are picked on the basis of knowledge. The boy and girl with the highest score taken on a test gains ROTC Royalty. Front row left to right are Denise Evans, Michelle Vreeland, Linda Reed, Pam Dykes, Rae Clark,

Robin Rice. King contestants from left to right are: Mike Gooch, Dwayne Gardner, Scott Sprenger, Mike Trimble, Chuck Ranslow, Clint Shine, Rae Clark and Mike Trimble are the 1985 ROTC King and Queen.



Exhibition Commander, Cindy Bradley, proudly instructs the 1985 ROTC Drill Team through many award winning drills. The Drill Team has brought numerous honors to NHS and has placed 1st and 2nd in several meets. Not only does the team show leadership while competing, but it also brings its pride to home football and basketball games. In the above picture Commander Bradley directs her team during a basketball game. Members of the team include Shane Rearrick, mandatory commander; Paula Sprenger, Rae Clark, Tonia Gurwell, Linda Reed, Laronda

Burtis, Marsha Smith, Theresa Dykes, Tina Watson, Robin Rice, Matt Trainer, Cathy Atkinson, Mike Atkinson, Scott Sprenger, Tom Case, and Sherry Harvey participate in the Primary Performing Team. The Primary Alternates for the Drill Squad are: Richard Wallis, Jimmy Fellows, Dana Ortega, Bucky Harris, Phil Moore, Mike Trimble and Katrina Jalo. Members of the Drill Team are selected by how well they perform. Their performance consists of how well they are able to stay in step and how fast they can march.



The ROTC Color Guard uses fancy footwork to put on an excellent performance during half-time at a basketball game. Sherry Harvey, Commander, has lead her group to many honor bound trips. Members of the Color Guard Squad are divided into two teams, A and B. The A-Team consists of Sherry Harvey, Rae Clark, Linda Reed, Scott Sprenger, and Robin Rice. Paula Sprenger, Tina Watson, Shane Rearrick, Mike Gooch make up the B-Team for the Color Guard.



Lt. Col. Poul Hunter and Master Srgt. Joseph Valade, the ROTC instructors, inspire patriotism, adventure and experience in all their students. ROTC prepares students for a better way of life.

Publications Meets The Challenge

Mike Hines works with the enlarger in the darkroom. Left, Rosemary Jones is caught off guard by the camera.



The NEOHIMO and WILDCAT Staff are: first row (l-r) # Brad Young, sports editor; # Kathleen Swift, features editor; Heather Crissman; Tammy Rice; Caroline Hulse; Jennifer Sappington; * Dondi Crawford, editor-in-chief; Tami Carlin, * Carrie Cline, business

manager; # Heather Wimsert, editor-in-chief; Tineka Sanders. Second row (l-r) Shan Matthews, Mike Hines, Art Editor; David Sharp; Lance Allen; # Mark Mulik, news editor; # Tracy Schnakenberg, business manager; and Janet Wilbur. * NEOHIMO, # WILDCAT

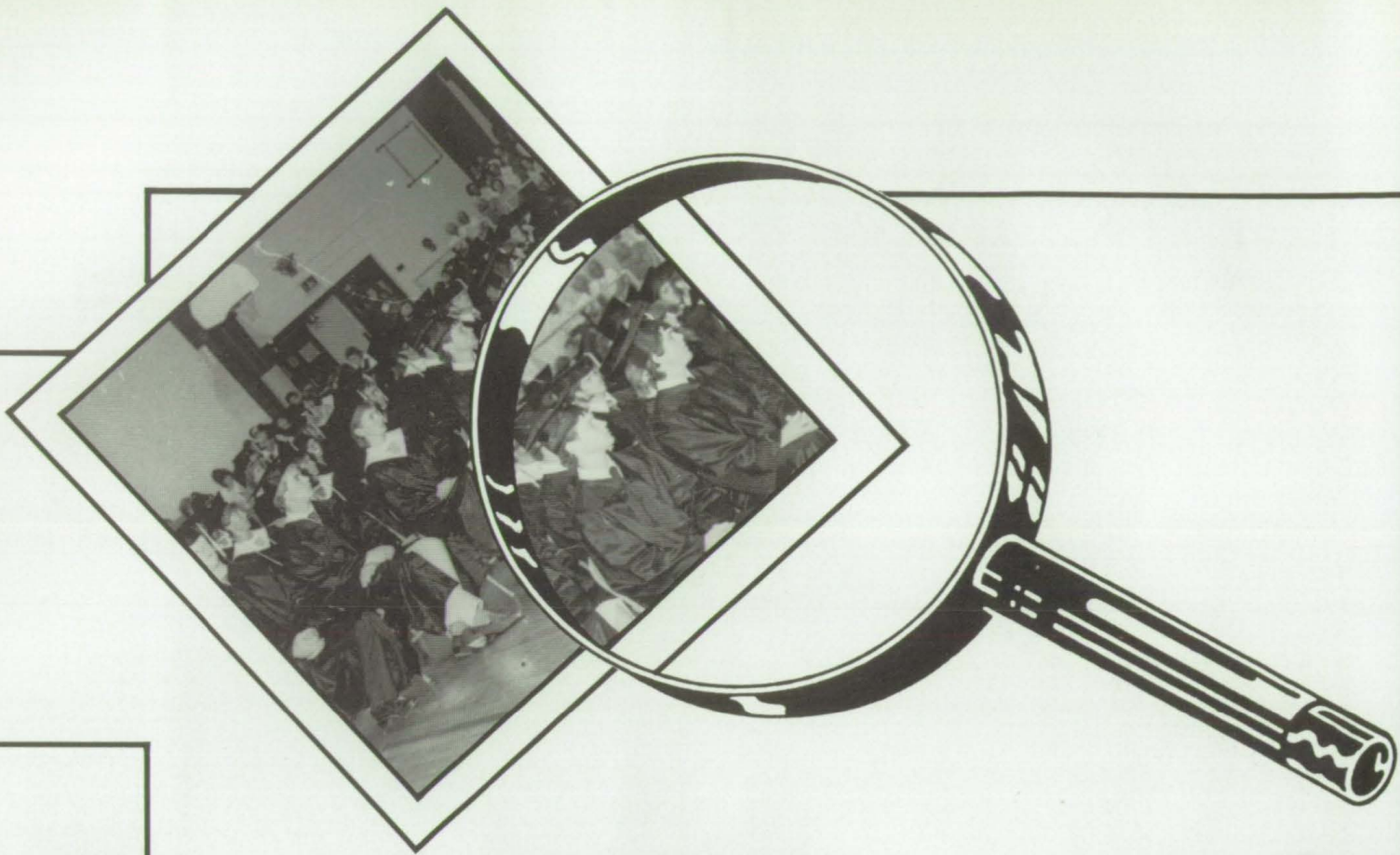
Kathleen Swift disturbs Caroline Hulseley as she diligently works on a layout while Dondi Crawford helps Tineka Sanders in cropping pictures.
BELOW: Mrs. Rugh, advisor and close friend.



Sheila Thompson sketches a few ideas for a layout.
Below: Janet Wilbur fights with a layout trying to get it to look just right as Tracy calmly searches for new ideas from other papers.



This year was a new experience for both staffs and Mrs. Rugh. Things changed as the staffs were combined under the supervision of a new advisor. It was push and shove at first, as everyone had his own ideas and wanted things done this way. But as the year came to a close each realized he had come a long way. They had grown together and united their ideas to present Neosho High with four editions of the Wildcat and the Neohimo. The staff hopes that the student body and faculty has and will continue to enjoy the publications of this year as they look back to remember the time spent at Neosho High.



In Search Of Excitement . . .

C L U E 5



Special Events Are "Special"

Wait Until Dark Offers Suspense

WAIT UNTIL DARK

Direction and scenery by Jed Claybrook*

Assistant to the director, Lisa Daugherty*

The Cast:

Mike Talman MIKE WINES*

Sgt. Carlino LYNDALL BURROW*

Harry Roat, Jr. SHANE REARRICK

Susy Hendrix TANIA ORTEGA*

Sam Hendrix SILAN MATHEWS*

Gloria VICKI DENEFRIO*

Policemen JAMES SMITH

TODD WHITE

Property mistresses Stacy Bandy*

Kerri Woods

Set construction.....Richard Wood*, Lyndall Burrow*,

James Smith, Lisa Murray, Cindee Hale, John

Claybrook, Tammy Phillips, Stacy Bandy*, Lisa

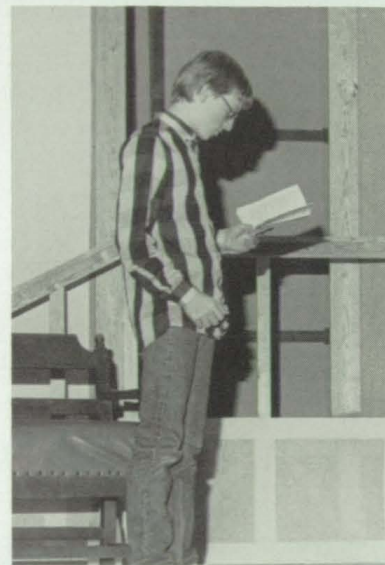
Daugherty*

Light control..... Richard Wood*

Sound Roy Thurman

The story: A young blind woman, Susy Hendrix, and her photographer husband, Sam, live in a Greenwich Village apartment. While Sam is away on assignment, Susy is victimized by three sinister men: a psychopathic killer and two desperate convicts who invade her apartment in search of a musical doll filled with illegal drugs.

What follows this startling intrusion is a complex and terrifying WAIT UNTIL DARK.



Mr. Claybrook gives a few instructions to Shane Rearrick and Tonia Orrego. With his help, the play was a success. Middle right, Todd White studies his lines on the set of **Wait Until Dark**. Right, Shane Rearrick is almost an acrobat as he practices a scene for the play.



Top left, blind Susy, played by Tonia Ortega, struggles with her unseen assailant. **Top right-** Tonia Ortega and Shan Matthews rehearse shortly before opening night. **Middle** Tonia Ortega talks to Vicki Deneffrio who plays a smart young neighbor girl befriended by Tonia. **Left-** Mike Hines, who plays a con that befriends Susy, rushes to see what is going on during a rehearsal.

Once Upon A Mattress . . .

Right-Michelle Miller brilliantly portrays the part of the princess hopeful in the two act comedy *Once Upon A Mattress*. Lower right- Prince Dauntless the Drab, played by John Pettit, contemplates his true love in the first act.

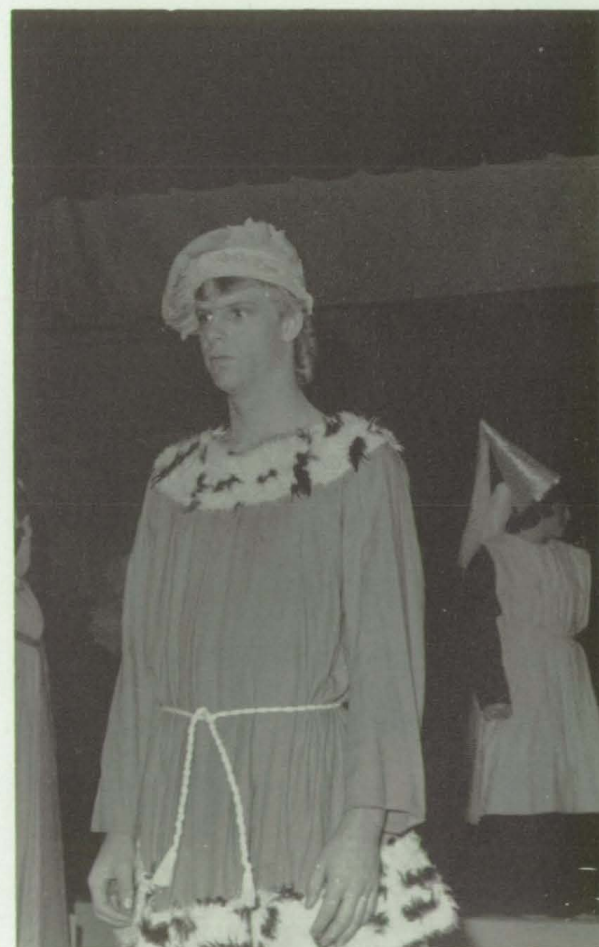


Direction and Choreography : Nancy Todd*
Set Design and Construction : Jed Claybrook*
Vocal Music and Combo : Suzanne Tiller

Assistants to the Directors: Lisa Daugherty
Tammy Phillips

CAST

Minstrel	Mike Hines*
Dance Queen	Tania Ortega*
Dance Princess	Lena Goins
Princess #12	Carrol Long
Wizard	Lyndall Burrow*
Lady Larken	Jean Finch*
Queen Aggravain	Elizabeth Enloe
Prince Dauntless The Drab	John Pettit
King Sextimus the Silent	Dennis Mason
Jester	Charles Genisio
Sir Studley	Jim Hoover
Sir Harold	Clay Clark
Lady Rowena	Joy Parrett*
Lady Merrill	Paige Duquette
Lady Lucille	Maria Betz
Sir Harry	Todd McCann
Princess Winnifred	Michelle Miller*
Emily	Mia Denman
Lady Mabelle	Kim Herron
Nightingale of Samarkand	Shonda Godley
Lady Beatrice	Kristen Trenary
Ladies-in-Waiting	Jennifer Carter
	Susan Harris
	DeAnna Ragland
Knights	Roy Thurman
	Todd White
	Preston Lacy
	Bruce Brown
	Rick Clark
	Kory Kunkel
	John Thexton
Ladies	Rhonda Sage
	Jennifer Wentworth
	Laura Beck
	Stacy Bandy



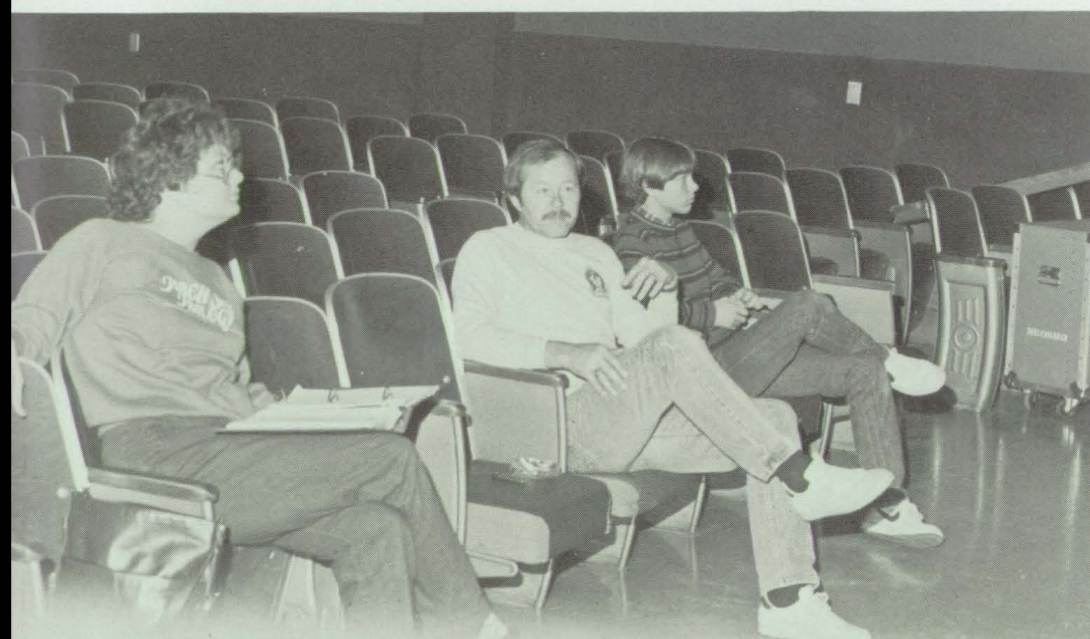
Comedy Success



Left- Michelle Miller straightens the costume of the wizard played by Lyndall Burrow. With each member of the cast helping the others, the play ran smoothly. **Middle-** The wizard checks the time remaining for princess hopeful number 12 to answer her question. If she answers it correctly, she may marry the Prince. The Knights behind her try to help her out as they can't get married until the Prince does.



Below left-Miss Todd, Mr. Claybrook, and his son watch the actors with interest during a practice for *Once Upon A Mattress*.



In Search Of Romance

May holds many exciting activities as the end of school draws near. But the highlight and the most cherished by most is the Junior-Senior Prom. Much time is spent in preparation for the romantic evening. For the guys it's renting their first tux and selecting the perfect date. For the girls it's searching for the right dress that no one else will have. Local florists love this time of the year as everyone searches for his courages and boutineers.

Juniors adorn the gym for the festive occasion as seniors try to catch a glimpse to see if they approve. Juniors and seniors alike would agree that the 1985 Prom was a success carrying out the theme "You're the Inspiration." Everyone danced the night away.



Above, Cindy Hickman plays Tom Sawyer. Above right, Pat Morrow and Jerry Overton are busy finishing the wall decorations.

Prom is the place for romance.



Jerry McCammon and **Bernadette Self** raid the "cookie table."
Left: **Julia Wood**, **Allen Olesen**, **Bob Galvin** and **Lisa Williams** aren't camera shy in their dresses and tux.

Yearbook Beauties Reign



Brandi Cholka, sophomore



Renee Roark, freshman



Trish McMahan, sophomore



Jo Glover, junior



Traci Lyons, junior



Becky Leach, senior

Tennis Star Chooses Queen

Dana Phelps, freshman, was chosen as the 1985 Neohimo Yearbook Queen. Dana was a freshman cheerleader and will be a varsity cheerleader next year. She has a personality that really shines. With such a great start in high school, who knows what the future may bring for Dana.



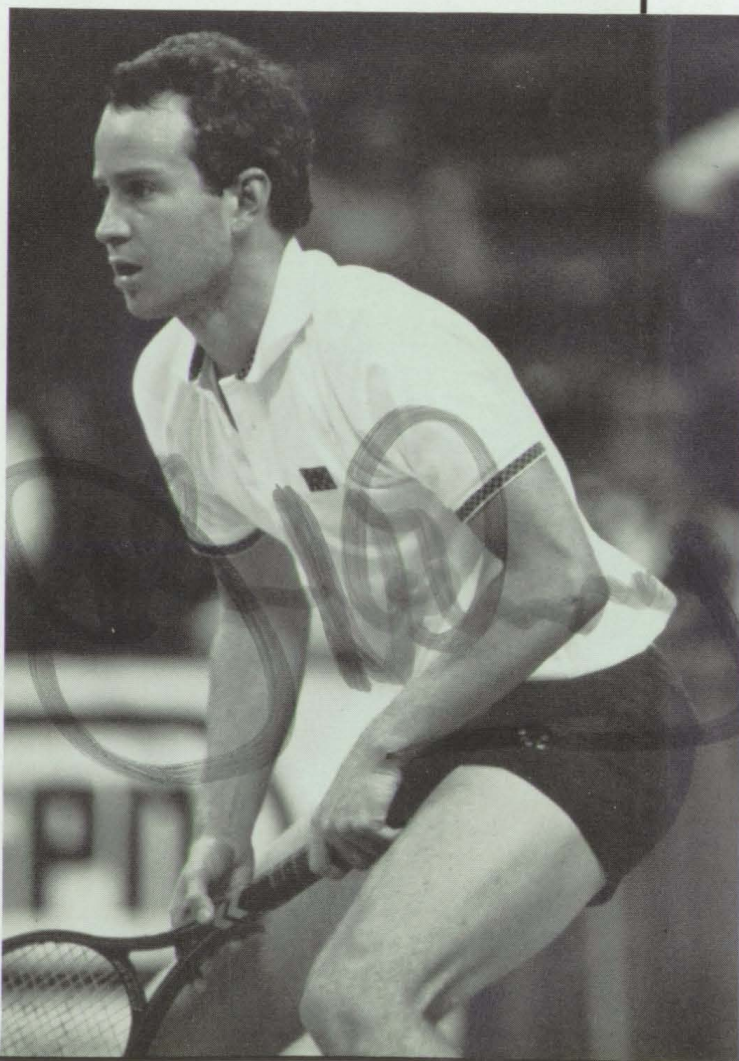
During the Yearbook Assembly, Mr. Morehead, receiver of the Yearbook dedication, crowns the Queen Dana Phelps.



The runner-up is Shelly Herndon, senior.



The 1985 Yearbook Queen selector was Tennis Pro John McEnroe. McEnroe has, for the past 4 years, consistently been among the top 2 Tennis Pros in the World. He has won every major tournament in the world except the French Open, which hasn't been won by an American in 20 years. McEnroe made his choice for the queen while playing in the Forest Lawn Tournament in New York.

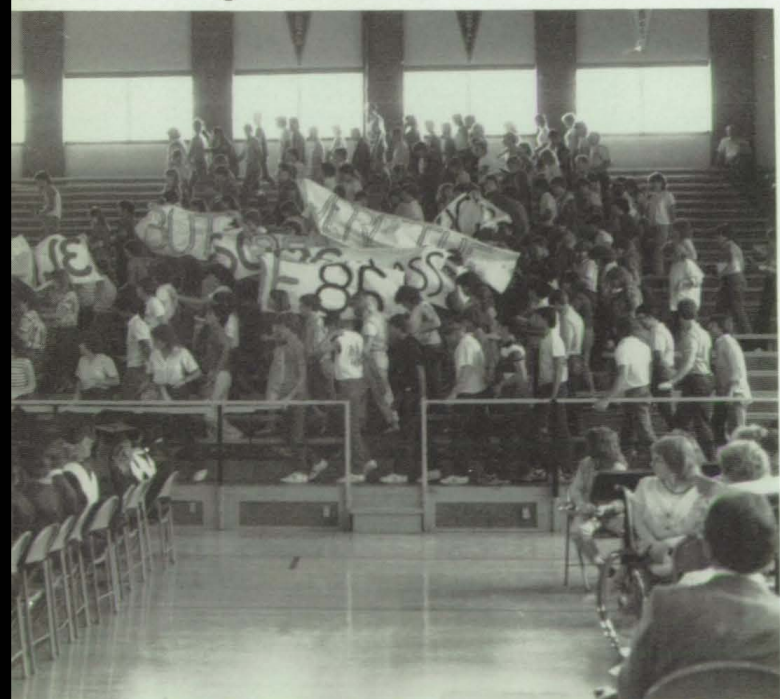


Senior Assembly Honors Grads

Bright colors, hard work, fun and creativity is put into painting of the Senior Hill, a favorite tradition of Neosho seniors. Along with painting the hill many students find quite a bit of paint on themselves as well.



Seniors take their place in senior bleachers carrying a sign to state their newly found identity. "85 had its kicks but we're the awesome class of 86!" Freshmen and sophomore classes also move to a higher class.



Four years of hard work bring Theresa Morehead and Toby Cole the honors of Valedictorian and Salutatorian. Two hundred and twenty-eight seniors graduated with Theresa and Toby leading the way.



After Senior Assembly the halls are crowded as many tears of joy and sadness are shed from the hearts of seniors and long-time friends saying the final good-byes of high school.



Baccalaureate Inspires Grads



Mr. George Morehead and Mr. Bill Lewis lead the graduating class of 1985 to an inspiring Baccalaureate Service.



Everett Corum, past teacher of Neosho High, speaks at Baccalaureate to graduating seniors. Mr. Corum stated that seniors could do anything they chose if they were determined. Quoting from the Bible, he used passages to encourage seniors to set goals and move towards them.



The 1985 graduates stand proudly in front of friends and relatives, in honor of the National Anthem which begins the Baccalaureate Service. The first formal service of the graduating process is the Baccalaureate Service.

BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM May 26, 1985

PROCESSIONAL Neosho Wildcat Band

"March Pontifical" - Gounod

INVOCATION Russell Hively
Language Arts Department

CECILIAN CHOIR Suzanne Tiller, Director

"Sounds of Hope" - Ruth Artman

Brass Quartet

Tim Wince - Trumpet
John Pettit - Trumpet

Jeff Tilley - Trombone
Gerald Ezell - Trombone

SERMON Everett Corum
Graduate School, Ohio University

BENEDICTION Marsha Harlan
Physical Education Department

RECESSIONAL Neosho Wildcat Band

"Ceremonial Recessional" - Ployhar

Commencement Leads To The Future



Students wait in anticipation for the highlight of the Commencement Ceremony, which is receiving of the diploma. Senior Doug Brown receives his hard earned diploma from school board member Stan Marion.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM May 28, 1985

PROCESSIONAL..... Neosho Wildcat Band
"Pomp and Circumstance" - Edward Elgar

NATIONAL ANTHEM..... Audience and Class

INVOCATION..... Jahala Long
Guidance Services

NEOSHO WILDCAT BAND..... James Kelso, Director
"Anthem for Winds and Percussion"- Claude T. Smith

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER..... Dr. Gordon Warren
Superintendent of Schools

ADDRESS..... Dr. Kathy J. Lentz
University of Missouri - Columbia

RECOGNITION OF CLASS..... Walter Walker, President
Board of Education

RECOGNITION OF THE TOP TWENTY..... Dennis W. Griffin
Principal

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS..... Board Members

Col. Sherman Foote
Kim Mailes
Stan Marion

Mickey Poor
Jim Russell
Walter Walker

BENEDICTION..... George Morehead
Mathematics Department

RECESSIONAL..... Neosho Wildcat Band



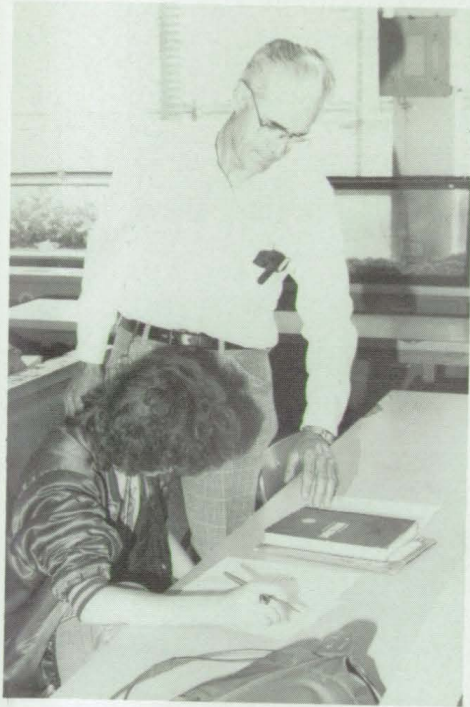
Dr. Kathy Lentz, Neosho High School graduate, spoke to the graduating class at the Commencement exercises. The theme was ability and determination to succeed.



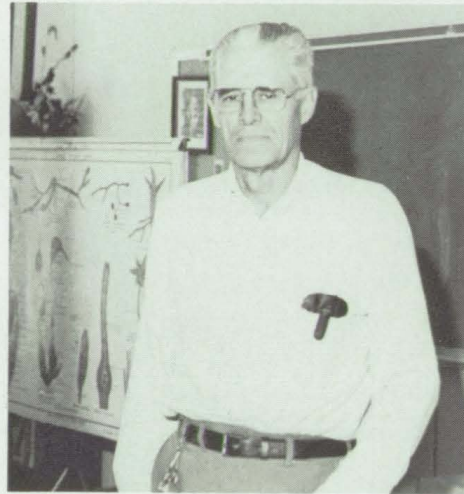
Faces say a lot about people. The smiles of these graduating seniors show the pleasure and excitement of graduation.

In Search Of Tranquillity

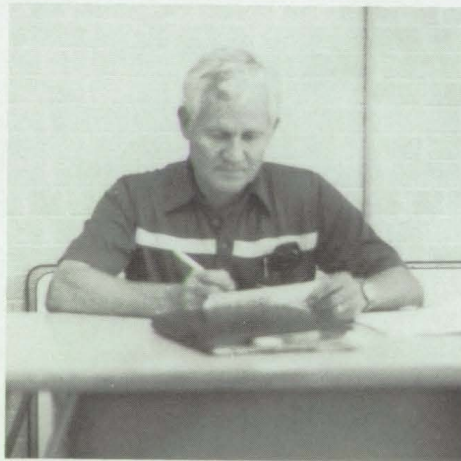
Neosho High teaching staff will be missing two valuable members next year — Lowell Bland and Calvin Lane.



After twenty-eight years of service Mr. Bland retires from Neosho High. Mr. Bland has taught biology and contributed in building the department into what it is today. He remembers most the talents of the students and the excitement they had on "Snake Day". Mr. Bland recalls a pet owl they once had in the room. The owl would perch on the



shelves and watch everyone. One day the class was dissecting crayfish and the owl snatched its supper from the boy sitting in the front row.



Mr. Lane has taught physical education, social studies, and drivers' education during his thirty-four years at Neosho High. He also coached football and served as athletic director during that time. Mr. Lane recalls an embarrassing moment on the football

field. On this particular team there were two kickers. Each thought the other was going to kick the ball. At the kick off, neither kicker booted the ball, but the team raced down the field anyway.

Another memory was when they first moved into the building we now use, and the doors on the Library were very hard to open and no one could remember which way they opened. Mr. Lane asked Mrs. Payne why she didn't put signs on the door telling which way to go. Mrs. Payne replied, "Rats always find their way through a maze." So that was the last Mr. Lane ever said about the doors.

Mr. Lane was presented the cane by a former student who thought he might need it after retirement. The cane has a turn signal and a three tone horn among other things.

In Memory Of . . .

There is the peace that cometh after sorrow,
Of hope surrendered, not of hope fulfilled;
A peace that looketh not upon to-morrow,
But calmly on a tempest that is stilled.
Anonymous

Johnny Neal

December 26, 1967 — October 17, 1984

Cindy Bradley

April 15, 1967 — April 17, 1985

For those leaving NHS for the last time, we hope these pages will bring back the memories of that special year. For those returning, we hope you find reminders of your special year IN SEARCH OF ...



