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# What's Next?

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# What's Next?



## Kicking In The Spirit!

With H's on their faces and spirit on their minds, sophomores Nicole Clark and Maggie Taylor cheer on the Boys' Varsity Basketball Team at the game against the Warriors. For a new twist on spirit raising, a caravan of cars filled with school pride wound its way to Waverly to support the team on February 2.

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**GLAMOUR LIFE.** At the biennial fashion show, Jacobson's J-Board sponsor, senior Kara Kreiner, models what's next in style for the upcoming school year. The J-Board is a group of thirty Lansing area high school students that perform fashion shows and other promotional activities for the store.

**MUFFLED!** Spanish teacher, Miss Juanita Grew, decided it was safer to cover senior Rick Dubay's mouth rather than the traditional covering of eyes. After two weeks of working on pinatas, which are donated to children's wards of area hospitals, this Spanish III class celebrates the Christmas holiday cracking their own pinata.





# Tell Me *or else!*

"WHAT'S NEXT?" you asked as you stepped into the new year. After being named an exemplary high school in 1989, we asked that same question. After all, such an award would be hard to top, but we knew you could achieve more. **WHAT'S NEXT** for those of you who wanted to improve the future world environment? Organizations now provided *Something for Everyone* as the new Environmental Awareness Club began recycling in the community. "WHAT'S NEXT in academics?" you wondered, as you

entered overloaded classrooms first semester. Whether it was tackling new advanced placement courses or regular required classes, you discovered there would be *More Than You Know!* Why do you think teachers assigned so much group work? They realized cooperative learning paid off. You know the saying, two minds are better than one! "WHAT'S NEXT?" you

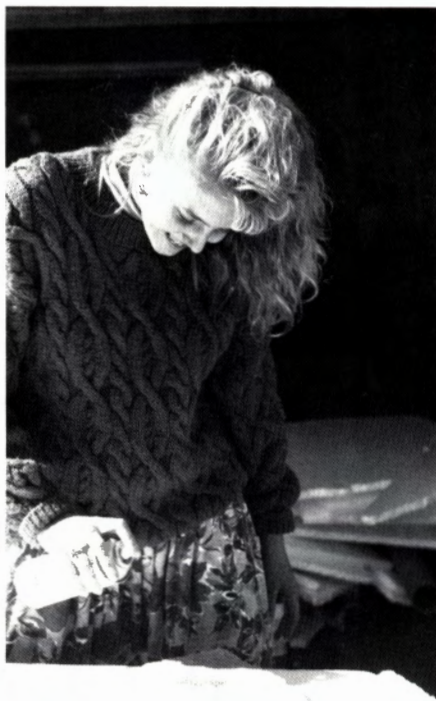
thought as you watched the community expand with new subdivisions popping up, like Glenmoor Manor, and others growing, like Dimondale Estates. Not only did the population increase, but so did student involvement in community services. From Little League refereeing to providing coats for the needy, *More Than Meets the Eye* summed up your activities that made the community a better place to live.



# I Want To Know *Everything!*

**WHAT'S NEXT** for you spectators out there? *Nothing But Action* as the Girls' Swimming Team entertained you with a season that led to individual state competition. Then the Gymnastics Team dazzled you with an undefeated season, ranking them in the top ten in the state. Another season full of victories was brought your way when the Varsity Wrestling Team reigned undefeated in the CAC. **WHAT'S NEXT** in brand name jean competition? *This Is It*—the results were in. Twenty five percent of you selected Guess jeans as your number one choice, but a close twenty three percent chose Levi's. Fitting into those Guess jeans was a more difficult task for the fifty-three percent of you who chose real ice-cream over the new low-cal frozen yogurt. **WHAT'S NEXT** in the events schedule for those of you who wanted to dress up in style? The May 12 Prom date gave you *Just What You Wanted* as the traditional Memorial Day weekend event was replaced with a Saturday affair. "WHAT'S NEXT in raising school spirit?" you pondered as you painted brown and gold "H's" on your face. *Your Guess Is As Good As Mine* on that one, but ringing cow bells and painting faces was your way of cheering on the Boys' Varsity Basketball Team against Waverly on February 2.

Of course there were many more accomplishments, fun times, and events that filled your year, and that is **WHAT'S NEXT...**

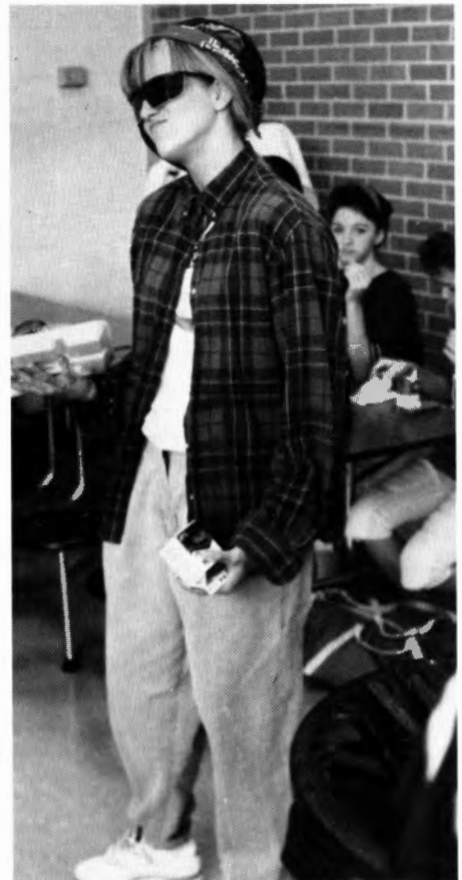


**SPRAYING ON THE SPIRIT!** Testing the effects of spray paint on styrofoam, junior Becky Gasch helps build the junior class float at Leslie Fulk's house. After Becky discovered spray-paint eats up styrofoam the innovative juniors decided to use tin foil for their space ship.





**WHAT'S UP YO?** From bustin' with the boys on Opposite Sex Day to an evening at the ball, homeboy material, senior Jill Souza, turns into Homecoming Court material at half-time Friday evening. Jill's spirited personality was rewarded when she was crowned Homecoming Queen October 20th.



**ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS.** Senior Sean Burns uses his body to block an incoming Warrior opponent. Sean started every game as center fullback, including this rivalry

with Waverly which ended in a close loss of 0-2. The Varsity Soccer Team finished with a season record of 9 wins, 6 losses, and 3 ties.



"Some students think that they are here just because they have to be. But some of us know we are here to prove our identity and capabilities, not only to our parents and community, but to ourselves as well. People say we are going to be someone special someday, but we know we are already very special."

--Junior Gayle Utter



**LUSCIOUS LIPS.** Adding the final touches to senior Jim Lopez's make-over on Opposite Sex Day is senior Bridget Elliot, while senior Heather DeYoung observes. Opposite sex day was the most popular day of the October Spirit Week according to the polls.

**DANCING THE NIGHT AWAY.** Taking part in the traditional Homecoming Court dance are junior representatives Jennifer Rennirt and Rob Ellis. The two shared a laugh as they watched the antics of other court members the evening of October 20.





# Your *GUESS* is as good as mine!

The scene was set. The year was staged. But where was it going? Your guess was as good as mine! We knew we had to get our act together to pull off a bigger and better Spirit Week. After all, the pressure was on every year to top last year's production. But afterwards, we needed to get away and be entertained. Hit movies or partying with our friends gave us that break...to bankruptcy! After hitting rock bottom, we were back on the job for the paycheck. Then, as Monday morning rolled around, we were into the books again. Along the way, we even managed to pay attention to the news. How couldn't we! The significance of the year's events would last a lifetime. As the we realized what happened next, we were all in this together.



**HIGH SPIRITS.** Leading the classes in spirit raising are seniors as they greet the Homecoming Parade crowd from the class spirit truck which followed the floats on October 20.





**TWO PEAS IN A POD!** Matching not only in dress, but also in personality are juniors Becky Gasch and Chrysty Kelly.

Friends since junior high, they find that taking time out for heart-to-heart chats strengthens their friendship.



## 'Glasnost' Warms Up Friendship

The concept of friendship took on new meaning at the international level as Mikhail Gorbachev promoted 'Glasnost' and a warming up of relations between the U.S. and the Soviet Union. As the architect of the policy, he created the conditions for the end of one party rule, first in Poland, Hungary, East Germany, Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria by putting the regimes there on notice that they were on their own and supporting political reforms. With the breakdown of the Iron Curtain, he then pushed through the Russian Central Committee an agreement to surrender its own party supremacy. Thus, after seven decades of Communist Party monopoly, the way was laid for establishing the possibility of a multi-party system and real democracy. Senior Amy Sterenberg commented, "I think the most important issue of the year was the breakdown of communism. After all the years of the 'cold war,' things have finally started to warm up between America and Russia." Senior Brad Brookens added, "I'm so glad the old ways of the Soviet government are changing so that the people have more freedom and individual rights. A lot of people have wanted it for a long time."

As a leader, Gorbachev crossed the red lines that his own party members had drawn to define what he dare not do.

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--Senior Amy Sterenberg

Senior Rick Resio noted, "Gorbachev was probably the greatest Russian leader of his time. He took the initiative that other leaders did not and operated with an open-mind and level-head under pressure. He handled pretty well, everything that came at him all at once."

Glasnost was characterized as an anti-monopolistic and anti-totalitarian notion. Hence, Gorbachev's accomplishment was to make what was unthinkable yesterday seem sensible today and inevitable tomorrow.

--Crystal Chappell, Jenny Rennert

## THAT'S WHAT I HEARD

*According to Gorbachev*



**WALL STREET WEEK.** Clowning around in their three piece threads are seniors Cheryl Hanel and Wendy Rich on Opposite Sex Day during Spirit Week.

Many students resorted to their parents' closet and their friends' advice to put together a change of pace look designed for laughs.



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# Make Me *Smile!*

## Best Friends' Motto...Lean On Me

Loaning their last dollar, giving up a thrilling date to help with homework, or listening for hours when no one else would—these were just a few everyday requirements of being a best friend. Junior Rob Ellis summed up a close friendship as he revealed, "A really good friend would take on your problems and help resolve them as if they were his own. When you're down and out, a friend will help restore peace of mind and motivation to go on with your plans. He will even supply temporary shelter until you're on your feet again."

Best friends were usually one of a kind and students had many reasons for singling out that special person. Senior Colleen Priest commented, "Chris Maki is my best friend because she is funny

and has a great sense of humor. She is there whenever I need her and I'm there for her." On a similar note, senior Mishal Mosley reflected, "Annette Becker and I have been really close for a long time. We just like to do a lot of the same things. We agree most of the time, but when we do disagree, it's okay because our fights keep our friendship from becoming too dull."

But even the closest of friends didn't always start out that way. In fact, some were downright enemies! "Emily Hake is very special to me now, but when we were little, our parents forced us to play together. Our mothers were best friends and expected us to be. But the truth was we couldn't stand each other. Then she moved to California and came

back in the seventh grade. For some reason, we just hit it off. We've been best friends ever since," sophomore Liz Sawyer recalled.

While many students had one best friend, some found it hard to narrow it down to just one. Senior Suzanne Allman explained, "I have several good friends. We all get along great. We act the same but everyone of us is unique and our personalities and sense of humor are really different. I wouldn't give one of them up for anything!"

Students often felt they couldn't have survived high school without the help of a best friend. These extraordinary people were a must for the many emergencies of every teenager's day.



**BOSOM BUDDIES.** Taking a breather from the hectic schedule of a vacation trip with their church youth group in Colorado are sophomores Tara Hoekwater and Robyn Bruining. "Tara and I have been friends since I was four. Our friendship has grown stronger each year and she has become by second sister," noted Robyn.



**SWITCH FOR A DAY.** Putting the final touches on her friend, senior Jody Pierce's outfit is senior Amy Parkhouse. The popular Opposite Sex Day during Spirit Week drew many transformations of dress and behavior from enthused students.





# We're up to the Challenge

## Facing The Great Blue Horizon

Close your eyes, listen to the roar of the ocean, feel the heat of summer, smell the hot dogs sizzling on the grill, and see before you the great blue horizon! From the hills of Muskegon to the sparkling waters of Lake Huron, the color blue came in many unique forms throughout the summer as students faced their challenges.

"Blue pool chalk was an important part of my summer. I played pool nonstop for hours with my buddy at Pinball Pete's. It was a lot of fun, especially when someone laid on a pool table singing the National Anthem!" exclaimed sophomore Mari Cooper.

Elsewhere in East Lansing, others practiced diligently while enjoying themselves in a different pool of blue. "Because of the fact that I spent about 5-7 hours a day in a pool at the week long MSU sports camp for diving, I guess you could say that blue was the color I dreaded most. It was fun but hardwork," explained

senior Christine Baker.

While some dreaded blue, others adored it. "I went to Lake Louise Baptist Camp for a week and it was super! It was my fifth year there and I saw all my old friends that I only see once a year. We had an all-night party and a cereal fight. Then we sneaked into the guys' cabin and almost got sprayed by a skunk! exclaimed sophomore Loretta Bowen.

Skunks were only one of the many challenges braved in the wilderness. "While going around Lake Superior for two weeks with an outings club, I saw a black bear, face to face, that climbed on our truck at Agawa Rock! Then I climbed the Sleeping Giant, a series of plateaus 1600 feet high, in Canada. Later in the summer, I went to Tobermory and went scuba diving. I explored four shipwrecks, 40 to 50 feet deep, and sea caves large enough to drive a truck through. I had the feeling of accomplishment be-

cause I knew that some people had never experienced this type of adventure," reflected sophomore Brandon Gnass.

A sense of accomplishment also filled students who challenged themselves to conquer high peaks. "I went to Colorado with Robyn Bruining, Tara Hoekwater and other kids from our youth group. We went rock climbing, mountain biking, cliff repelling, white water rafting, and took a 10 hour hike up Mt. Ebert. It was exhausting! The most exciting thing that happened was repelling. After you got past the overhang of the cliff, you had a rush of excitement. We put our fears aside and lived for the moment!" exclaimed sophomore Kristen VanTil.

Whether it was climbing mountains, exploring deep waters or playing hours of pool, vacationers conquered the challenges of their great blue horizon making it a true blue summer!



**BOB WHO? BOB UCURE!** The common answer for what to do was a game of ucre for seniors Brad Brookens, Aaron Nordman, Rick Resio and Charlie Lay as they relax at the Olympiastadium in West Germany. Senior Jill Souza looks on while

senior Kristin Wilcox adds up the marks to enjoy a cool drink after a long hot day of sightseeing on the German Exchange Trip in June. Students and staff visited students of the Elsa Brandstrom Gymnasium in Munich in the biennial exchange.



**HERE BIRDIE, BIRDIE.** Enjoying some quiet time during her hectic five-week vacation in Hawaii is senior Davina

Ayers, as she feeds some birds at the Honolulu Zoo. She went with her mom, sister and grandmother on the summer trip.



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**WHO WAS THAT MASKED MAN?** On the search for sunken treasure in Tobermory Canada, Brandon Gnass scuba dives the Sweepstakes. After eight weeks of training at MSU, he received his scuba diving certificate during the summer.

**CLOSE TO THE TOP.** Taking a scenic break from hours of strenuous activity climbing Mt Ebert in Aspen, Colorado are sophmores Kristen VanTil, Tara Hoekwater, and Robyn Bruining. They were on a journey with their church youth group in June, meeting their personal goals and others' challenges of who would reach the top and still have energy to go back down!



**FLOWER FRENZY.** Taking some time on Memorial Day weekend, junior Nikki Martz lends a hand to her grandfather, during his favorite past time--gardening.

## Big Screen Battle of the Summer!

Zap! Pow! Bang! It started so simply in 1939 when comics were bought with a child's allowance and bad guys were only read about with the night lights on. Who would have guessed fifty years later that Batman would recaptivate students' sense of adventure by taking on his arch enemy, the Joker, in the battle of the summer. "Batman wasn't the normal confrontation of good verses evil: It had so much more adventure and excitement to it, thanks to the Joker!" exclaimed sophomore Camie Fillion.

Jack Nicholson, alias the Joker, was the crazed criminal behind the green paint and vibrant clothes. For some students, he made Batman the smash of the year. Sophomore Tony

Cruise noted, "Nicholson was the real hero of Batman. Unfortunately, they say 'Nicholson as the Joker,' but he **IS** the Joker."

Miniature Batmobiles and Joker boxer shorts became the souvenirs of avid fans, while, full fledged batmanics went the extra mile to display their devotion to the caped crusader. Janior Quinton Leverich revealed, "I bought the video, posters, shirts, action figures, skateboards; you name it, I bought it!" Others expressed it verbally as sophomore Heather Rief revealed, "Once in a while, I'll quote Batman lines like crazy. It's like a disease I can't get rid of." No matter what the reason, students were possessed with the dynamic duo. Together they were the fan-raising team of the summer.

-- Loretta Bowen

"Who else could play the devious and debonair rival besides Jack Nicholson? He has the cynical smile, annoying chuckle and infatuation for Vicki Vale--everything it takes to be a master madman."

--Sophomore  
Tammi Wardwell

## THAT'S WHAT I HEARD

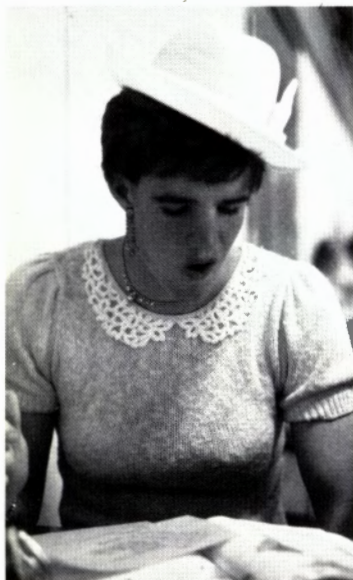
*According to the Joker*





**TWIST AND SHOUT.** As the final class competition game of Twister arrived during the pep assembly, senior Jason Dillingham, junior Jenny Westgate and sophomore Don Spitz battle it out for the championship which seniors won.

**FEMME FATALE!** In spite of the excitement of Opposite Sex Day, junior Dave Crater finds need takes precedence as he studies his chemistry during lunch. Although Spirit Week brought a change of pace, classwork and schedules remained the same. With some select items from his mom's and junior Michelle Killian's wardrobe, however, Dave made a stylish appearance on the occasion.



## Spirit On A National Scale

The excitement and enthusiasm created during Spirit Week, which flooded every hall throughout the school, was on a different scale compared to the cry of freedom and hope of many East Germans as they witnessed the breaking down of the Berlin Wall. While this wall, which had stood since 1961, was being destroyed, a painful history was being repaired in the hearts of many. After forty-four years of containment, the wall which had been a social, economic and physical barrier now served as a bridge from East to West Germany. The impact of the event was noted by many students. Senior Heather Bannick revealed, "I am happy that freedom to all people is becoming more widespread. The breaking down of the Berlin Wall has sent a mes-

sage of hope to all countries whose people are repressed." Senior Wendy Whitlock added, "I think the tearing down of the Berlin Wall was the most memorable event of the decade. It was not only the removal of a physical barrier, but also a psychological and spiritual one."

Some students linked the events in Germany with the concept of spirit and determination. Senior Dominic Perrone stated, "It goes to show that when people join together they can overcome even the biggest obstacles. It also served as a step towards world peace." While students elevated school spirit to new heights, East and West Germans rejoined spiritually as well as socially.

--Sophomore Jamie McGoldrick

**"I think the biggest issue of the year was the Berlin Wall. When a symbol of separation like that comes down and reunification becomes possible, it can really change the lives of those involved."**

--Sophomore Ann Simons



## THAT'S WHAT I HEARD

*According to Berlin*



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# We're All In This TOGETHER

## Staging A Show Of Spirit

Roaring spirit filled the halls and classrooms throughout the school as the long awaited Spirit Week finally arrived. Homecoming had been changed to a later date of October 20, but that didn't create any anguish for the students. It provided the bonus of more time for students to stage the show of the year. Senior Renee Gamet explained "The participation was a lot better than past years. Everyone really got involved." Each day brought a new and exciting look or attitude. Students arrived in P.J.'s and slippers on Monday, and the spirit was well underway. Junior Kristi Branch recalled "My favorite day was Pajama Day. I felt relaxed and tired in my pajamas. I wish I could have gone back to bed!"

Tuesday brought back a blast from the past with Hippie-Hobo Day. Students selected period garb from their parents' moth-balled wardrobe for the authentic look in bell bottoms and thread-

bare suits. Whether it was the best of the 60's or the worst of the 80's, outfits were devised to create the perfect appearance. Bringing back the 60's for a day brought excitement and a lot of laughs. "Hippie Day was my favorite because I got to raid my mother's closet. She saved so many old bell-bottoms, beads and embroidered blouses, I couldn't decide which ones to wear," revealed junior Andrea Bird.

A strange twist of sexes came about on Wednesday, as Oposite Sex Day was staged. Beauties straight from 'Vogue' replete with unshaved legs wobbled their way to class in high heels. Baseball players and Wall Street businessmen in their three piece suits gathered around to see the raving beauties with their feminine features. Senior Missy West confessed, "The best day of the week was Oposite Sex Day! It was so funny to see the guys act like girls when usually, they would make

fun of us." Senior Scott Shassberger added, "I was a little embarrassed dressed as a girl because a lot of people thought I looked better as one!"

Yaba daba doo! poured through the senior class as the Flintstones arrived on Thursday. Theme Day propelled into the future with the Jetson juniors while the sophmores showed their blue traveling to the land of the Smurfs to become Smurfmores. Junior Liz Van Dyke explained, "I think it's great that so many dressed for Theme Day, especially the juniors with their interpretation of the Jetsons. It kept me laughing all day!"

Friday finally arrived as students dressed up to the more serious side of school pride and got down to the business of winning of the Homecoming Game. The pep assembly pumped up spirit to record breaking levels that spilled onto the field for a winning game, topping off a week of laughs and the show of the year.



**BACHELORS ON THE LOOSE.** Preparing for the upcoming baseball season is senior Heidi Pitcher, as classmate Renee Gamet displays her three-piece attire on Opposite Sex Day, the most popular day of Spirit Week.

**THE PERFECT CUT.** Working at a fun pace to complete the junior class float are Leslie Fulk and Chrysty Kelly. The float was built at Leslie's house and all the classes enjoyed the added benefit of two half-days for the preparation.



**SMURF FOR A DAY.** Strolling down the Smurfmore hallway are sophmores Brian Anderson, Rochelle Pennock and Amy Verleger. The results of the hall

competition gave sophmores a third place, but the effort put forth by all the classes pumped up spirit.





# Make Me *PROUD*

## Homecoming Flurries Ignite The Chill Of Victory

The bell rang precisely at 1:35 p.m. on October 20th. Students quickly filed into the gym as anticipation ran high for the beginning of a most memorable evening.

The excitement that had been mounting all week was released with a thunderous roar of cheers and music as the pep assembly got underway with skits and competitive class games. In the end, seniors slowly marched out of the silenced gym with a complete sweep in the competitions, placing first with their Flintstone skit, in the game of twister with the team of Jason Dillingham and Jenny Westgate, and the tug-of-war match against the juniors with the mighty team of Mike Newman, Stacie Richter, John Verlinde, Renee Gamet, and Bart Brinkerhauf. Senior Eric Royston reflected, "All the time and effort that we had put in the pep assembly really showed. This is one assembly I'll always remember!"

There was no time for nostal-

gia as the three classes raced to their float sites to put on the finishing touches. "It was 3:15 p.m. when I reached the senior float site. We still had more work to complete before judging and I had yet to dress in my tuxedo for the parade," explained worried senior court member Stan Granger. Worry turned into anxiety as the parade was delayed for thirty long minutes, waiting for Delhi Township's finest to escort them down the traditional route. Senior Court Member Heidi Pitcher noted, "the cold weather made time seem to tick slower and wearing a formal did not make it any warmer."

Afterward, attention was directed towards Troost Field as students began to fill the bleachers for the long awaited game, broken briefly by the untimely shower of large snowflakes that painted the field white. The stage was set as senior quarterback Ricardo Resio threw a 56 yard touchdown pass to junior running back Robert Chingman on the

very first play as the team took an early 6 point lead, which never vanquished. The gridders marched off the field with a 21-7 victory over Waverly. "Scoring the first touchdown on the very first play during the Homecoming game was great! I think it really fired up the team," exclaimed junior Robert Chingman.

At halftime, seniors Jill Souza and Ricardo Resio were crowned under an array of light flurries. Sophomore representative Robyn Bruining revealed, "The snow seemed to add a touch of royalty to the coronation."

The magical evening was capped with 'Tunes by T' supplying the latest hits for dancing the night away under a light snow of decorations. Senior Mike Newman summarized, "Everything was perfect--the dance, the pep assembly, and especially the game. The snow was just the right ingredient that the day needed in order to make Homecoming a most memorable night."



**PEARLY WHITES.** Snowflakes add sparkle to the wide smiles of seniors Rick Resio and Jill Souza who were crowned Homecoming king and queen at the halftime ceremony October 20.



**CUTTING LOOSE.** Displaying the newest moves at the Homecoming Dance

are seniors Kathy Binder, Christy Goff, Laura Kneiper and Jill Souza.

**A ROYAL FLURRY.** Soft snow reigns down upon senior Court members, Bridget Elliot and Stan Granger, as they stroll down the 50 yard line during the halftime coronation. The early snowfall lent a magical and romantic touch to the evening.

**BUSTING THROUGH!** Charging out on the field with thoughts of victory on their minds are junior Scott Trimmer and senior Shannon Ostrander. The team took an early lead and kept it through the entire game for a shut-out score of 21-7 against the Waverly Warriors.



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**OUTCLASSED.** A surge of excitement was unleashed as the Senior Class swept all Homecoming events. Seniors Beth Ware, Anissa Stubig, Darin Leaf, Tom

Maki, Jeremy Baragaar, Jeff Wright, Eric Royston and Bart Brinkerhauff carried on the excitement outside with cheers along the Homecoming parade route.



### A Special Homecoming

Americans awaited with anticipation the release and homecoming to Sowetto of Nelson Mandela. Although Mandela was South African, Americans felt empathy and admiration for the leader of the African National Congress who had been jailed since 1963 for speaking out against apartheid. "I think Mandela is a great man who can help to accomplish great things for South Africa's black population, but it will take much more than his efforts alone," commented senior Jill Hartley. Junior Sherif Fadly added, "Though it wasn't fair for him to be imprisoned, now he's back and nothing will stop him. He'll continue his fight for equality for all South Africans."

Prior to his release students had the chance to speak out about the injustice at a summer national youth conference. Sophomore Crystal Chappell revealed, "I heard a South African refugee speak about the injustice of apartheid at the conference and it made me very concerned. He explained the harshly segregated system and made all the TV visions of smoke bombs, whippings and shooting all too real. It

**"I think that Nelson Mandela will do for black South Africans what Martin Luther King did for black Americans. He will not be afraid to go back to jail for his beliefs and he will accomplish his goals or die trying to achieve them."**

**--Junior Dino Katsiris**

was maddening hearing actual stories from other teenage refugees about the discrimination there."

Negotiations for equality in South Africa moved slowly, but progress was being made. Though Mandela's dream for equality and an end to oppression will still take time to achieve, his release was politically a giant step toward the end of apartheid and personally a giant step home.

**--Rob Ellis and Robbyn Hoffman**

### THAT'S WHAT I HEARD

*According to Mandela*





# We're Making DEMANDS

## All In The Name Of Money!

"BZZZZZ. It's 6:30 on this cold, drizzly morning. A great day to spend in bed burried under the covers. It's too bad for all you unlucky weekend workers because it's time to get up, up, up and get going." Weekend radio announcements, along with ones heard weekday nights as late as 12:15 a.m. when high school students would have rather been sleeping, were familiar to many teenagers. Why did students sacrifice their precious time to a job? The most common answer - money!

According to students, a pay check was the big motivator that pushed them to flip burgers, bag groceries or wait tables. "By working I can buy nicer clothes without borrowing money from my mom. Also, I can save money for a car or just extra little

things I want," commented senior Maria Gubry. Although students acknowledged that jobs held disadvantages, many said the advantage of money outweighed them all. "Having to go from school to work, getting home late and trying to fit in homework and friends are definite disadvantages. The money is what makes it worth it," stated senior Jon Esch.

Along with the lack of time, students also experienced a lack of energy as well. "Sometimes my schedule is hetic and I feel worn down. If it weren't for the paycheck I'd have absolutely no motivation," commented sophomore Crystal Chappell.

While the cash flow usually created a joyous feeling, the moment of bliss sometimes left as fast as it came. "My part-time

job pays for my car insurance, lunches at school and basic necessities. Although I get paid well, there never seems to be enough," revealed junior Stacy Lent.

However, some students didn't mind putting up with the loss of some of their time for the sense of accomplishment they recieved from working. "I learn a lot about the real world and how much a dollar is really worth. I think making my own money gives me more of an independent feeling," stated junior Chad Osborn.

Even though students set out for work with optimism, jobs had price tags attached to them. Students found they often gave up time for family, homework and in some cases, their social lives with friends for a job... All in the name of money.



**EXCHANGE OF TIME** Waiting on customers at the Cedar Park Plaza Video to Rent is sophomore Stacia Cramer. She

joined many other students in exchanging her Friday and Saturday nights for a paycheck at the end of the week.



**GET YOUR RED HOTS!** Soaked at Spartan Stadium is sophomore Loretta Bowen while selling hot dogs. She found selling more of an annoyance than a job as she wanted to sit and watch the exciting MSU football game.

**UP TO THE ELBOWS.** Scrubbing dishes at Bonanza part time is sophomore Josh Graham. Several students have jobs there to earn a little extra spending money. The sacrifice came in time away from home, school work and friends.







**"PROGRAMS! GET YOUR PROGRAMS HERE!"** Seniors Kathy Binder and Heather Valencic scream in the name of money. Working at the MSU football games had two advantages--twenty cents on the program and a chance to see the team in action.

**A LONG DAY.** The 15-20 hour work weeks of bagging groceries proves tiring for junior courtesy clerk, Rob Ellis as he concentrates of the good point that Kroger is a family of friends. Rob noted, "All friendship aside, the job is a major character builder, especially on pay day."



### Degrees In Dollars

Money! money! and more money! Students worked part-time mainly for money. But did they realize how valuable their experiences really were? Getting their feet wet in a variety of career opportunities helped them make decisions on what college degree to earn.

Statistics cited in the December 1989 issue of Youth Magazine indicated that college graduates with a degree in technology started out with salaries 50 percent higher than liberal arts graduates. But within seven years, the liberal arts graduates surpassed in income the people who studied only technology. The reason for the salary increase was because liberal arts majors possessed the skills needed to solve problems and could better adapt in the everchanging business world. Senior Jessica Little noted, "The future is having computers do everything, so I would like to go into computer science. However, I would consider liberal arts because it does include more general classes."

A Harvard professor advised future business managers to get a liberal arts degree first, then study business man-

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*--Senior Jessica Little*

agement.

Senior Kathy Nelson disagreed, "An engineering degree is harder to earn and more money is put into it. I would not go into liberal arts because it would take too long to complete, and besides, as soon as I get out of engineering I can start a 'real' job."

Students found there were many considerations in deciding which degree was better suited to their career goals and the time factor it took to achieve them.

### THAT'S WHAT I HEARD

*According to Youth*





**EXPRESS YOURSELF.** In the last routine of the year at a home basketball game, the Pom Pon Squad members strike a pose to end a routine performed to "Express Yourself" by Madonna.

**SOLID GOLD FEVER.** Shaking their poms to the groove of "Pump Up the Jam," are Shiela Dickerson, Ann Benge and Becky Gasch. The girls performed this routine for their home basketball fans three times before taking the routine to regional competition at Rockford.



## In Motion Reaches For The Stars

For two long years, twelve tiny stars prepared themselves for the trail to success. It was then, for the first time,

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--Senior Heidi Pitcher

that Karyn's dance team, In-Motion, qualified for Showstopper's national finals in Myrtle Beach, finishing fifth in their age group. Since then, the team has put forth many hours of sweat and dedication as they got ready for their next assignment, Showstopper's 1990 national competition in California.

Throughout the year, In-Motion has held many fund raisers: a 16 hour dance-a-thon, candy bar and bake sales, car washes, garage sales, and sales of carnations and T-shirts at the annual dance recitals. Their goal was \$15,000 in order to relieve the financial burden of the students.

The group, founded five years ago in a middle school gym, expanded into Karyn's own dance studio with the addition of more members. Senior Heidi Pitcher concluded, "After the curtain



closed on our last recital, it was hard to believe that five years of dancing together was coming to an end. It's going to be tough to say good bye after our competition in California because we were like a big family with Karyn as our mother. We have waited two years for this, and once we get off the plane, we'll know it was all worth it."

**'WE WEAR SHORT SKIRTS.'** Showing how two hours practicing high kicks pays off is the Pom Pon Squad. The girls' halftime performance at the home basketball game brought cheers making the girls shine even more with pride.

## THAT'S WHAT I HEARD

*According to In-Motion*



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**STUDENT LIFE**

Your guess is as good as mine!



# Make me *Glad!*

## Poms Kick Up Their Heels

.....It's showtime! Twelve sets of brown and gold poms took over half-time, performing to the spirited crowd of spectators. Smiles of pride swept their faces as the groove began to take over. Whether in rain or shine, the Varsity Pom-Pon Squad pushed their effort into each and every routine throughout the year.

"Poms was something I had wanted to try for a long time to see if I could do it. It was fun to be involved in a group like that," explained sophomore Jessica Zimmerman.

Through tryouts, the football season, the re-tryouts, the basketball season, it was a year full of changes. Starting with summer camp, the girls knew all their work during the hot months would be noticed during the year. "At camp, its constant

work. Most people laugh when we say pom camp is hard, but you try pomming for four straight hours! Its great though, you really get to know your pom squad better, as well as the new girls," observed junior Crysty Kelly.

Besides summer camp, the girls held a kick-a-thon at J.D.'s and performed at the Run For Peace at Valhalla Park for the second year. These fundraisers helped pay their way to camp, while keeping those pom kicks in the process. Sophomore Loretta Bowen admitted, "I believe what was stressed more than anything this year was how important high kicks are. So I always had the goal to meet Carrie Aikman's or Sarah Mogg's, the two beside me in the kick line, whose kicks were awesome. At the end of the season my goal was

finally reached and it was one of the greatest accomplishments of the year!"

High kicks, straight arms and clean, precise moves were perfected as the girls took a routine, "Pump Up the Jam," to Rockford to compete in a regional competition. Even though the girls fell short of states by a mere four points, the weekend away provided a time of team unity. Junior Becky Gasch recalled, "We went with great expectations and we did great, especially considering we had six girls on the squad who had never been to regionals. Even though it was disappointing not qualifying for states, we all knew we tried our best. By combining experience with new spirit, the Pom Pon Squad made their efforts reign in brown and gold.



**BAT DANCE.** Waiting for their cue to take the field for their halftime performance of Batdance at Homecoming is the Pom Pon Squad. This routine was created solely by the new sophomore girls.

**POM PON SQUAD.** Top Row: L. Fulk, D. Smith,, S. Nunheimer, S. Dickerson, C. Kelly, K. Kutt. Middle Row: A. Benge, J. Zimmerman, J. Lay, S. Mogg, S. Kendrick. Bottom Row: L. Bowen, C. Aikman, B. Gasch.





# We're in this for a *BUCK!*

## Fundraisers for Fun and Profit

"Attention all students, orders will be taken during both A and B lunches today for Homecoming carnations..." When it happened, one knew that it was time to hide their wallet, put their leftover lunch money in their pocket or declare that they weren't going to be paid until next Friday.

Everyone experienced it. The candy bars, the carnations, the car washes, and so on. It was an inevitable part of student life as numerous clubs, sports, and organizations took to peddling products and services in order to make a buck.

"We danced for sixteen hours straight in a dance-a-thon in order to raise money for 'In Motion,' our dance company, to compete in the National Finals in California. It was hard work getting pledges but it will be worth it when we go in July!" exclaimed senior Heidi Pitcher.

Many students held fundraisers in order to purchase new sports equipment. "Our cross-country team held a car wash at Amoco

gas station in order to raise money for new running tights. Besides being able to buy tights so we wouldn't freeze to death, we got to wash a candy-apple red Porsche!" commented senior Amy Lounds.

On a similar note, sophomore Holly Norris added, "We sold suntan products and class cups to cover expenses for new cheerleading uniforms and camp. We sold a lot of items but I really think people just bought our products to be nice."

The need for new equipment and uniforms was not just limited to sports teams. "Selling candy bars, board games and concessions at MSU football and basketball games was how the band raised the money for some BADLY needed uniforms!" confessed senior Shannon Van-Schoik.

While most fundraisers were held in order to make a profit for the group staging it, other groups held money makers to profit others. "Every year NHS holds a

candy cane sale to support different community activities that we're involved in. The sale is fun and it adds to the spirit and festivities of Christmas around the building. The only downfall of fundraisers, as far as advisers are concerned, is that it is hard keeping track of money and supplies and getting kids to turn money in—that's the part I hate most!" commented NHS adviser Janet Wilson.

Although students became tired of hearing the never-ending announcements and seeing the halls cram-packed with posters advertising products, almost all could agree that fundraisers served their purpose well. Senior Rick Resio put it into perspective when he stated, "Fundraisers not only provide a learning experience for the students, who will need this knowledge for later activities, but they also provide the opportunity for students to meet many new people and of course, make money!"



**FLOWER POWER!** Senior Trisha Lennox delivers Homecoming carnations to classrooms during the October Spirit Week. Student Council used the proceeds from the flowers to cover the expenses of Homecoming and other activities that took place during the year.

**SUN N' SUDS.** Getting dry towels to wipe cars are members of the Girls' Cross Country Team. They set up a car wash at Holt Amaco station to raise money for new running tights. The girls admitted that the most exciting thing about the fundraiser was washing a candy apple-red Porsche.







**PUMP IT UP!** Filling balloons with helium for the yearbook sponsored, Sweet-heart Dance in February are sophomores

Loretta Bowen and Tammi Wardwell. The *Rampages* staff used the funds to lower the cost of the yearbook for students.

**POP ANYONE.** In the shadows of Spartan Stadium, sophomores Chrystal Chappell and Sara Faculak sell soft drinks. Their proceeds benefitted the Explorers, a

junior police post that helps youngsters learn about careers in law enforcement



**SIGNING ON THE DOTTED LINE.** Helping junior Shelly Clark fill out the forms to donate blood during the annual February NHS blood drive is senior Jennifer Jewett. "Everyone did a great job working on the blood drive, especially the chairpersons," commented Jennifer who was president of NHS.



### Advisers Speak Up!

"When I first became adviser for Student Council, around the year 50 A.D., I championed the 'cause' to bring pop machines into the building. Later I asked that a snack machine also be allowed. All of Student Council's money comes from these machines and is used to purchase things for students and staff use. We have purchased a great deal of audio and electronic equipment and will be purchasing furniture this year for two areas the students use to make it nicer for them.

-- Juanita Grew  
Student Council Adviser

"I don't think of our fundraising efforts in NHS as much for the purpose of raising money as I do for providing a service to the school because our profits are spent on projects for our club and the students.

--Pamela Klimenko,  
NHS Adviser

"I have found that the fundraisers which offer neat prizes get the most interest from the students. We had about eight percent participation from the Junior Class. We made about \$600, so it was worth it...and the kids go away happy with their prizes.

--Dorothy Anderson  
Junior Class Adviser

"Fundraising is an important aspect of producing a yearbook and its purpose is to subsidize the price of the book to bring it within the reach of most students. We have a budget to fund that is comparable to a small business and it demands a lot of work, enthusiasm and commitment on the part of the staff.

--Ann Paul  
Rampages Adviser

### THAT'S WHAT I HEARD

*According to Advisers*





**CATCHING SOME RAYS.** Lined up for sun in front of the Carolina Winds condominium complex in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina are seniors Shannon and Chad Ostrander with friends Lana Howell, Brandy, a friend they met there, Walt, Keith and Helen Kelly. This was Chad's

and Shannons' fifth annual trek to Myrtle Beach during spring break.

**BUM WITH A CAUSE.** Even though it's only October, senior Amy Parkhouse has her destination set on Clearwater, Florida. Students took on causes and costumes as they participated in Hobo-Hippe day during Spirit Week. Many students began planning their week of revelry in the fall.



## Break the Rules and Take a Fashion Detour

Spring break-- BREAK being the key word, meant afterall, that the rules were to be broken—the fashion rule that is. From bleached hair to the return of flourescent colors, students opened up to trend-setting changes.

Products like hydrogen peroxide, lemon juice and Sun In gave students the extra little kick their hair needed, whether that meant coloring simple highlights or dying the whole head. "I'm really glad I dyed my hair. I think it gave me a look diffent from other people and was a change from my normal appearance," commented senior Darin Leaf, who won best hair in senior Mock Elections.

Stepping over the color lines from pretty pastels to blinding flourescents

added bright splashes of color to dead morning classes and hallways. Junior Angie Hinds explained, "I was so happy when flourescents came back in this year. I loved them in sixth and seventh grade, but I haven't worn them since then. A big plus is that they make people look tanner, which was what I wanted when I went to Florida."

Colors weren't the only style change. Fashion took a detour when guys became daring enough to pierce their ears. "I didn't pierce my ear just because everyone else was doing it. I did it because I like the way it looks—It's Style!" commented sophomore Ryan Brown. No matter how big or small the infraction, students sought the opportunity to "break the rules" without suffering any substantial punishments.

--Jennifer Rennirt

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--Junior Angie Hinds



**FT. LAUDERDALE OR BUST!** The first taste of summer in nine months was celebrated by seniors Kim Hannig, Kara Kreiner, Bridget Elliott, Kristin Wilcox and Debbie Freye as they were in their suits and on the beach in just one hour after their plane landed in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

## THAT'S WHAT I HEARD

*According to the Rules*



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Your guess is as good as mine!





We're out of

# HERE!

## ...for a Week of Wild Revelry

Sunshine, palm trees, and the ocean's roar beckoned to stressed-out students who were tired of battling Mother Nature and the snowscape of home. The lure of heavenly hot spots held many captive as early as October as students began planning their week of wild revelry, better known as Spring Break.

"I couldn't believe it when everyday, seniors Jason Dillingham and Darin Leaf would come into Constructions class and talk non-stop for an hour of their plans for spring break and we hadn't even made it through Homecoming yet!" exclaimed Fine Arts teacher Ann Paul.

The trips introduced students to many first-time experiences from flying to solo vacations without parents. Darin Leaf revealed, "Going to Clearwater with my friends was the highlight

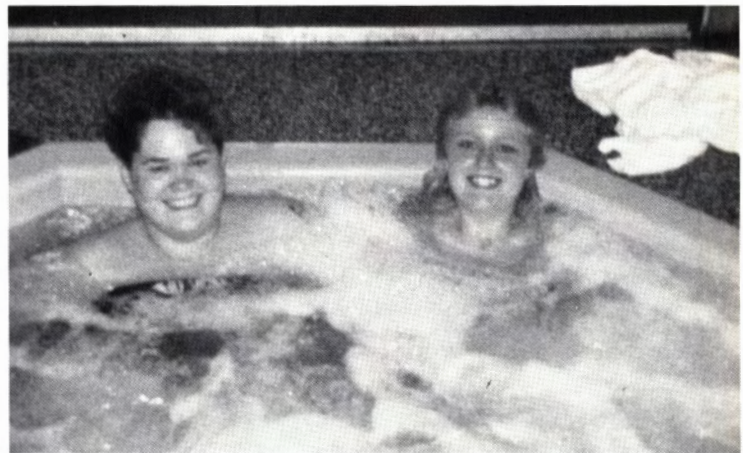
of my senior year! It was awesome to be independent and without parents for a whole week. I'll never forget how much of a blast it was!"

However, a whole week of independence left some students in various predicaments. "I guess if your only eighteen and you call and make the reservation at a hotel, they assume you will trash the room, therefore, you sometimes don't get the best hospitality. Our room was a joke! When we first got there, we cried over the bugs smashed on walls, a broken window in the bathroom, a row of nails sticking out of the floor where the carpet meets, and the list goes on. But we got used to it. The most hilarious moment was when Kara Kreiner went to open the refrigerator door at about 3:00 am and the whole door came crashing to the floor. That

was the last straw! Our vacation had become a typical senior spring break!" related senior Kristin Wilcox.

Being independent together for the first time drew friendships closer. Senior Heather Valencic recalled, "Being on spring break in Siesta Key, Florida with two of my closest friends, Christy Goff and Kathy Binder made us grow even closer fast. It was the best spring break ever and I think I will always want to go back and try to equal it. But it will never be the same as your first taste of freedom because that experience is the best and can never be replaced!"

Whether students hopped into the hot tub of a local hotel or enjoyed the luxury of catching the rays on a southern beach, many first experiences were shared and memories made to be cherished forever.



**AHHHH!** Staying home in the cold for spring break was made into a vacation for seniors Patti Green and Kerri Robison by

substituting for the hot weather, a week at the Holiday Inn, enjoying the hot tub and indoor pool facilities.

**ALL PARTIED OUT.** A few days of freedom and spring break partying can wear you out realized senior Heather

Babcock as she took time out for a nap in her hotel room at the Lansing Holiday Inn.





# We're in Deep Trouble

## Cleaning Up The Mess

Coming home to a note on the refrigerator that said 'Do the dishes' or 'Vacuum the house,' students sometimes felt trapped by the responsibility of chores. However, they agreed that chores were necessary.

Senior Trisha Lennox explained, "I feel that students should help around the house because most houses would be condemned if they looked anything like the mess in students' bedrooms. I always have to vacuum and clean the living room on Fridays. If I don't, I can't go out that night, so it always gets done."

The satisfaction of a clean home also was the motivation of many students. Senior Missy West confided, "I don't get paid for doing household chores. I want my house to be clean and my mom can't do everything by

herself. I think we should all be able to pick up after ourselves."

Some students discovered that doing the chores they liked lightened the load. "I think students should help around the house as a payment to their parents. I don't

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*--Senior Trisha Lennox*

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mind doing the laundry, making or planing dinner, or keeping the house clean, but I hate doing the dishes!" exclaimed junior Joyanne Huston.

Students found their siblings to be very helpful when it came to chore time. "My brother and I

take turns cleaning the kitchen. My parents don't let us get out of chores for any reason! Work first, fun later, that's their motto. It really doesn't matter, because if my parents don't ask for help, I usually volunteer," confessed junior Sakia Kendrick.

The reward gave many students, something to look forward to once the work was done. Junior Tricia Switzer noted, "My mom works all day and I try to help her out by doing the laundry. I don't like to do laundry, but after I'm done, I have clean clothes to wear."

Chores were a necessity for many students. "I think that if students expect something from their parents, they should be willing to do something. You can't get something for nothing," summarized junior Jennifer Wright.



**A TREASURE OF CARE.** Enjoying a playful moment with her pet cat is senior Tami Fox. Pets presented students with many chores, from feeding to bathing to exercising them, but they did reap a comforting pay-off in affection.



**GREENTHUMB.** Senior Debbie Shaver puts the finishing touch on a yard spruce up by watering the plants. She helped a friend, senior Missy Bliesener to cut chore time and gain fun time.

**CONSTANT CHORE.** To serve up coffee all day long takes repeated cleaning of the coffee pots by senior Jenny Legg which she does, in addition to, serving up burgers at her part-time job.

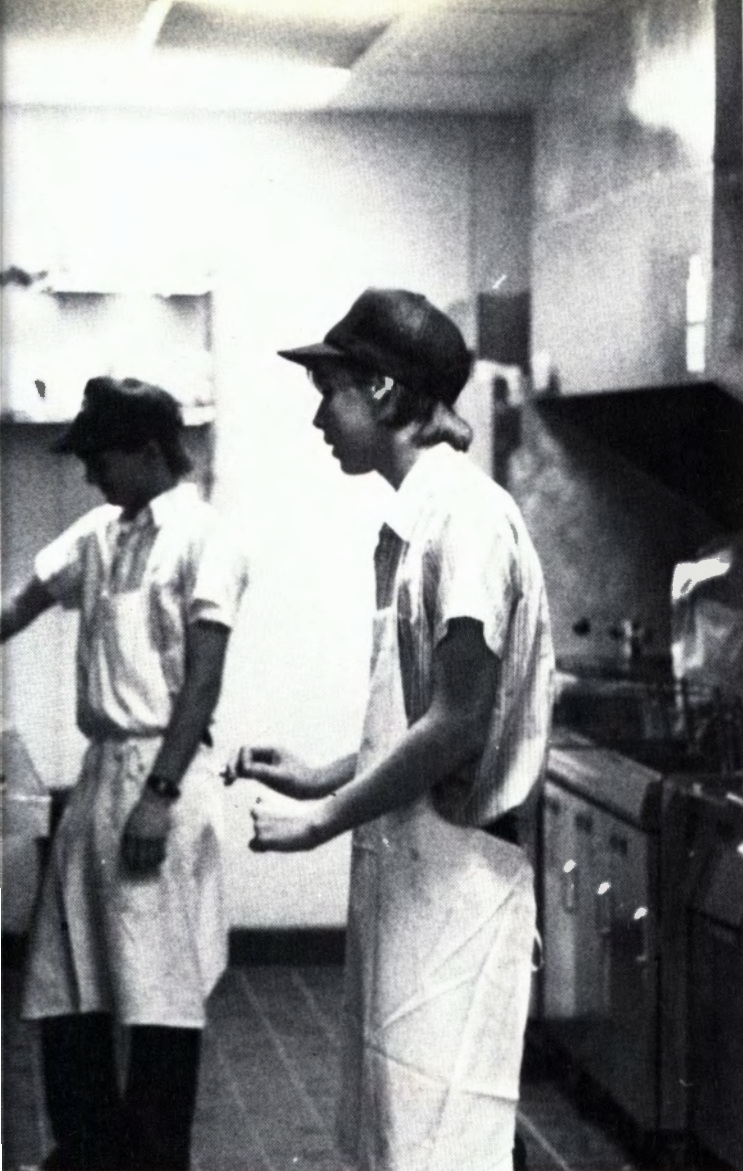


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**Your guess is as good as mine!**





**A GREASY JOB!** Cleaning the grill at their part time job is a chore and a half for sophomore Scott Mussell and a fellow-worker. Along with regular work responsibilities came various chores which students could not postpone indefinitely.

**TAKING A BREAK.** Deep in a relaxing thought is sophomore Patrick Bliesener as he escapes briefly from the chore of weed wacking and cleaning up the yard at home. Fortunately, this job came along monthly instead of weekly.



### The Ultimate Chore

It was the hardest, most expensive, and longest chore on record. No, it wasn't cleaning a teen's bedroom after 3 months of pit stops; it was cleaning the environment. Hurricane Hugo, the San Francisco earthquake, and the Alaskan oil spill were some of the year's messiest disasters. These catastrophes alone damaged ninety percent of the Virgin Island's homes, killed two hundred seventy people, and covered one thousand square miles of ocean with oil.

When the disasters occurred many students were affected. Sophomore Carol Maki complained, "Even though the earthquake and hurricane could not have been prevented, the oil spill was a ridiculous, irresponsible outrage. Some of the damage could possibly have been avoided by observing weather patterns, constructing sounder buildings and testing for intoxication regularly. Senior Amy Lounds added, "I think every precaution should be taken to prevent man from destroying the environment. Regulations, inspections and fines would be a great beginning." Sophomore Ann Simmons also noted, "Buildings and highways should be inspected more often to prevent earthquake damage."

Even though the oil spill was a

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--Senior Stephanie Wagner

tragic disaster, the natural tragedies often frightened many. "It's scary because you never know when disasters are going to happen. We can't control the earthquakes and hurricanes, but we can be more careful with oil spills and other human mistakes," admitted senior Stephanie Wagner.

If given the opportunity, students were willing to participate in the clean up. Sophomore Katie Nott commented, "Helping people and the environment is so important. It must be taken seriously. Recommendations must be made and precautions taken so the disasters won't be so extensive."

--Tammi Wardwell



**BREAKING AWAY.** In October, Hurricane Hugo hit Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, damaging many homes including this one. In April, six months after the disaster,

much of the damage still hadn't been cleaned up and was photographed by students who vacationed there on spring break.

## THAT'S WHAT I HEARD

*According to Concerned Students*





**ULTIMATE DATE.** Prom offers students the most elegant of evenings out. Enjoying the event at the Lansing Center are Michelle Moseley, Larry Hennigan, Tracy Green and Annette Becker and their dates.

**STEADY DUO IN REVERSE.** Full of fun on Crossover Dress Day during Spirit Week are senior couple, Rick Resio and Heidi Pitcher.



### Celebrity Gab

Memorable experiences were often the creation of memorable personalities and on a larger scale there were many celebrities who set student's tongues a' wagging!

"My favorite group is the New Kids on the Block because the guys are so gorgeous and they all have so much talent that no one can top them!" revealed junior Sakia Kendrick. Other

students also admired rock groups. Senior Marisol Garcia noted "Metallica is my favorite group. Regardless of opinions about Heavy Metal, I'm still a loyal fan. I can relate to their music and lyrics and there is a lot more to it than music itself."

Unlike rock performers, movie and television stars set students hearts a pounding. "I think Tom Cruise is so gorgeous! Especially in Cocktail and Rainman. He is such a sensitive, captivating actor and all his movies are my favorites," explained sophomore Loretta Bowen. Not just the face of Tom Cruise, put crushes in students hearts. Sophomore Ann Simons revealed "I was a really big Corey Haim fan. I had to watch all his movies and buy every teen magazine he was in. My walls ended up covered with him."

Television stars also made a hit with students. "I really like Christina Apple-gate of Married with Children. I have to watch the show every Sunday just to see her," admitted sophomore A.J. Zapata.

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Besides rock performers and movie stars, authors were admired by other students. Senior Amy White stated "S.D. Salinger is my favorite author. The Catcher in the Rye is my favorite book by him because I can relate easily to the characters." As the stars' faces peered out from students' walls, today's entertainers set the pace for tomorrow.

--Tammi Wardwell

**PUTTING ON THE MOVES.** Dancing to the tunes of Sensations' DJ are seniors Jason Mills and Jennifer Jewett at Prom. The occasion offered students the most romantic of dates.

### THAT'S WHAT I HEARD

*According to Stargazers*



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**STUDENT LIFE**

Your guess is as good as mine!



# Make me Happy!

## ...Most of the Time

Stomachs turned, palms began to sweat, and the memories were about to begin. Your date had arrived! Dating was a common, but memorable experience. Regardless of the age at which one started, it became the point at which a whole new life began with memories to either cherish for a lifetime, or dread remembering. "I'll never forget the time I received sixteen red roses from my date. It was perfect!" remembered sophomore Robyn Bruining.

While some languished over fragrant flowers, others thought materialistic items were tops. Sophomore Loretta Bowen recalled, "Once a guy who was just a friend bought me something I always dreamed about—a 14 carat gold necklace. But the best part was, he never expected anything more than friendship in re-

turn. That's what I call a great date."

Although dating was often an exciting and wonderful experience, sometimes it was everything but wonderful. The experience could also be horrifying or embarrassing. "Once my date's family was watching us leave, and when I was getting in his van, I bumped my head on the roof. Everybody else had a great laugh, except for me!" admitted sophomore Vicky Bengry. Another memory that would rather have been forgotten was recalled by senior Brad Broken, "My date had to take her sister to work, so when I got to her house, I was forced to sit and be drilled by her mom for fifteen minutes until my date arrived."

Dating was not only embarrassing at times, but it could be dreadful. "I remember one time I began a date with \$300 (my total

vacation money), and when I got home I realized I only had \$5.00!" exclaimed sophomore Tony Cruz.

Dating could even be downright disastrous. Senior Regina Haynes confessed, "One time my dress got caught in the car door, and when I tried to get it out, it ripped all the way up the side. I had to return home around nine o'clock. The date was destroyed along with my new dress!" Another episode was recalled by senior Stephanie Christian as she admitted, "I went with a guy to a restaurant and spilled spaghetti sauce down my white silk blouse. I was so self-conscious all evening long."

For many students, the interesting aspect of dating was that they never knew what would happen next. Memories, good or bad, would often be remembered until death do them part.



**OPPOSITES ATTRACT.** Laughing at Paula Abdul's video at Senior Kevin Stewart's house are seniors Wendi Rich and Dominic Perrone. Many dating couples resorted to friends houses and videos on weekends for escape entertainment.

**SWAYIN' TO THE MUSIC.** Enjoying a romantic moment at the Homecoming Dance are Jean Chase, Jim Wright, Bridget Elliott, Scott Shassberger, Nicole Miller, Delan Howard, Alissa Lee and Homecoming Queen, Jill Souza.





# Make my *Day!*

## Spending Away The Hours

'Money doesn't grow on trees!' The all too common phrase gained new meaning for those students who worked hard for their money and then foolishly spent it, as well as those who carefully thought about and budgeted their purchases. Whatever the outcome, the process of earning and spending money consumed the attention of nearly all teenagers.

Many students found they had to surrender some of their precious time to work to finance their spending however great or small. Some times the money was squandered away on an event or item that wasn't really needed. Junior Amy Wright commented, "Many times I'll get money for doing household chores and eventually, I'm in the malls searching for Elvis memorabilia of which I already have enough."

Other students shovled out large amounts of money in a short amount of time that they had worked hard for. Some stu-

dents experienced doubtful feelings just before the moment of purchase. Senior Heidi Evenson revealed, "I got a paycheck of \$210 on a Thursday night and on Friday I went out and bought a \$198 plane ticket to Florida. I wasn't sorry that I bought it, but for some reason I felt wary about spending the money."

Other students spent their dollars without blinking an eyelash. Sophomore Sara Faculak recalled, "Last summer I had the chance to visit a friend in North Carolina and I took the \$190 I had earned working and bought the ticket without a second thought. Besides, I had a great time!"

Some students had more bizarre methods of earning money and things they spent it on. Junior Rob Ellis revealed, "For many years, I have tried to raise animals ranging from reptiles to hamsters in order to sell them and make some cash. Although most of my attempts ended in failure, I never gave up. After accumulat-

ing \$30 I bought two black Asian scorpions. Although they were interesting to watch, even this venture didn't pay off. Now I'm glad to be working at Krogers. At least it helps me pay for gas, entertainment and the basic necessities.

Other students had more creative ways of getting funds. One of these involved some risk, as students turned to betting. Senior Randi Foster related, "I bet four friends \$25 that the 49'ers would win the Super Bowl. After discovering I had won the bet, I collected my earnings and bought a Rhonda Rhome!"

Others involved some luck. The phrase 'we're not made of money' was proved wrong to one student when 95FM WVIC awarded sophomore Terry Blundell \$1000 for the correct answer to the question, 'What's your favorite radio station?' But most students weren't so lucky. They had to depend on their wits and hard work to finance their lifestyle.



**NOT YOU AGAIN!** Running into familiar faces for the third time that afternoon, juniors Chris Kennedy and John Lang are caught by the camera looking at Music Lands wide selection of compact disks at Meridian Mall.

**DECISIONS, DECISIONS.** Senior Kathy Binder tries to decide which bracelet to buy at Corey's Jewel Box at the Meridian Mall. The mall was a favorite spot for students to hang out and shop away the hours.







**IS THIS ME?** Trying on hair clips at Claire's Boutique at Meridian Mall, senior Laura Dickenson seeks some advice from her shopping conspirator and friend.

**PIZZA BREAK!** Resting their feet from hours of shopping, upcoming sophomores Kori Kreiner and Kellie Glisson enjoy lunch at Cafe Meridian.



## Spending Up a Storm!

"Last summer was one of the best vacations I've ever had. Thanks to 95FM, I had a thousand dollars to spend however I wanted.

It all started while I was at work. I remember that it was one of the hottest days of the year and when the phone rang, I almost didn't answer it. After it rang about eight times, I grabbed the phone and answered it by simply saying, 'What?' My heart froze when I heard a familiar voice say, 'Hi, what's your favorite radio station?' I knew what was going on, but I couldn't believe it was happening to me. So I stumbled through the 95FM logo and after the second try, I got it right—'95FM WVIC, Lansing's Hit Music Station.' By this point I was ecstatic, jumping up and down, yelling that I won a hundred dollars. When the DJ told me I didn't understand, that I had actually won a thousand dollars, I just went nuts. I was already thinking of a million ways I could spend a thousand dollars. I ended up waiting for almost a month and a half to get my money because the DJ, Danny Stewart, forgot to tell me I had to go the station and sign a release form before they could begin the process of sending the money.

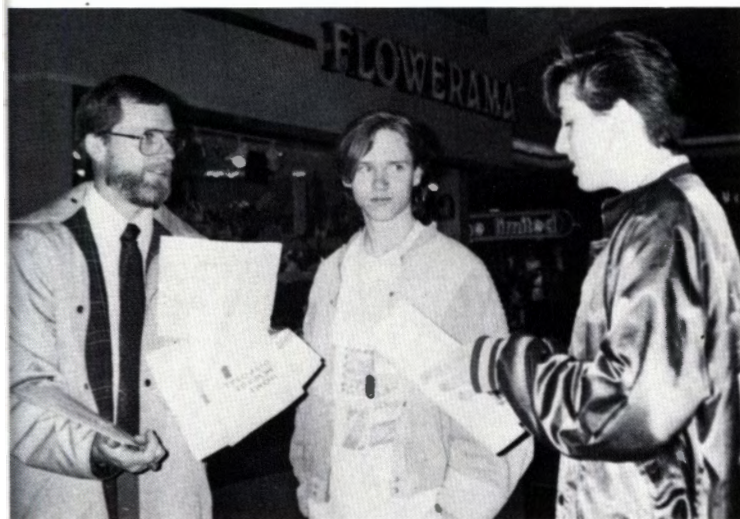
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**--Sophomore Terry Blundell**

When I finally got the check, everyone was asking for handouts. But, I had my own plans. I bought a motorcycle for about \$600 and put a little money down to pay off my moped. I also bought a lot of little things, gifts for my girlfriend, accessories for a big party and food. I went out to eat every day until I was sick of McDonalds and Burger King. By now school was getting close so I spent what I had left on clothes. It was great to walk through the mall and buy whatever I wanted.

I think, if I had it to do all over again, I would put a little money in the bank to use later. But like most teenagers, I basically blew it all and had a good time doing it. Oh well, it was a blast while it lasted!"

**--Sophomore Terry Blundell**



**HEY, THERE'S MR. NEUREITHER!** Surprised to run into their Technical Drawing teacher, Steve Neureither, at the Meridian Mall are sophomore Chloe Parker and junior Jacob Waidelich as they

discuss the latest in home design during the Home and Landscape Show. Browsing the mall was a popular way to spend the half day off of school.

## THAT'S WHAT I HEARD

*According to Blundell*





**THE FINISHING TOUCH.** Selecting the pair of shoes which best completes her image is senior Christy Goff while shopping at Meridian Mall. Many students found that their new looks demanded new fashions for the perfect touch.

**STAYING IN SHAPE.** Joining the Girls' Cross Country Team affords senior Amy Lounds the opportunity to maintain her fitness and figure, as well as participate in a sport for the fun, as she competes in an event at Valhalla Park.



## Bowl Binges Create Fan Frenzy

"Bo- you don't know diddley!" Remarks from Michigan State devotees filled the school after the University of Michigan lost Bo Shembachler's last Rose Bowl. While State triumphed over the Hawaii Rainbows in the Aloha Bowl, Michigan fans let it slide, thinking they were just "lucky". No matter what the reason local college games won or lost, students went on Bowl binges for their favorite teams. "The day of the Rose Bowl, I threw a Michigan party. With blue and gold faces and decked out in Michigan gear, I was ready to tape the game of the year. Even though they lost Bo's last game, the cheerful thought of Michigan beating MSU kept me going," revealed junior Quentin Leverich.

Retirement was in store for Bo prior to their trip to Pasadena, heading for the "granddaddy" of all the bowl games. Sophomore Mike Lindberg stated "Let's face it, Michigan wanted to win Bo's last game for him, not themselves. It proves that Bo's players know he's a true Michigan man and should remain at his home."

College preference was usually a result of students point of view. But others let their heritage decide on what team to "root" for during winter break. "I am a MSU fan because my parents are State fans and I grew up supporting the Spar-

tans. My dad even says I bleed green!" exclaimed sophomore Ann Simons.

During the State game, Spartan panamonian ran wild. True fans did more than just sit down and relax with a coke. Some went on a rampage to doing a Jane Fonda work out! Senior Kristin McGoldrick admitted, "More then anything, I wanted to be in Hawaii to cheer my team on. I was watching it at home, jumping up and down every other minute, feeling the excitement for the whole day".

Whether one was a Wolverine or a Spartie, the bowl games provided college crazes for nearly everyone.

--Loretta Bowen

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## THAT'S WHAT I HEARD

*According to Fans*



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**STUDENT LIFE**  
Your guess is as good as mine!



# We're *Looking Good!*

## Creating a New Image

Retreating to the nearest gym, tanning salon or fashion boutique, students were out to change not only their appearance, but also the way they felt about themselves. Some followed role models, others fashion models, and some just followed their own instincts.

Following a role model kept one muscle builder in tip top shape. Senior Scott Shassberger revealed, "My brother placed second in the Mr. Lansing competition. This encouraged me to stay in shape and build a respectable body."

Others pushed the iron because of personal satisfaction. This often kept goals high and anticipation strong. "I love to work out, but I always keep my goals one

step ahead of me and refuse to give up," stated junior Brad McKouen.

Muscle-building wasn't the only way to make a change of appearance. Tanning booths were sought to transform the pasty look of winter into the desirable shade of summer. Also, spring break was just around the corner and some students took the opportunity to protect their skin from a lobster-like burn. Senior Amy Parkhouse explained, "I start tanning a few weeks before spring break. This will give me a little bit of a base tan so I won't get too red."

Having a better physical image also brought out the desire for a fashion update. With their new

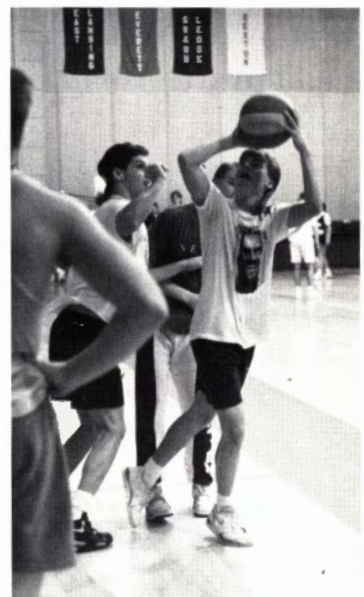
look, students often discovered that the old wardrobe just wouldn't do. Senior Debbie Shaver commented, "I exercise to keep in shape. When I've reached my goal, I feel a need for a fresh new look. What better way is there than to go SHOPPING!"

In spite of it all, those who had changed their look to satisfy themselves, felt that others saw them no differently. It didn't seem to matter what the physical appearance was, what counted the most was what was on the inside. Junior Brad McKouen concluded, "People respect me more for my commitment than the final result. Fitness and a good image are not easy to attain, but their definitely worth it."



**A NEW LOOK.** Displaying her newest flower-fashion addition is senior Karen

Crawford. Permanent art work has everlasting appeal for some students.



**REAL WORKOUT.** A fun way to stay in shape for senior Darin Leaf is to play Intramural Basketball as he is in for the shot. Senior official Chris Clark keeps his eye on the play.





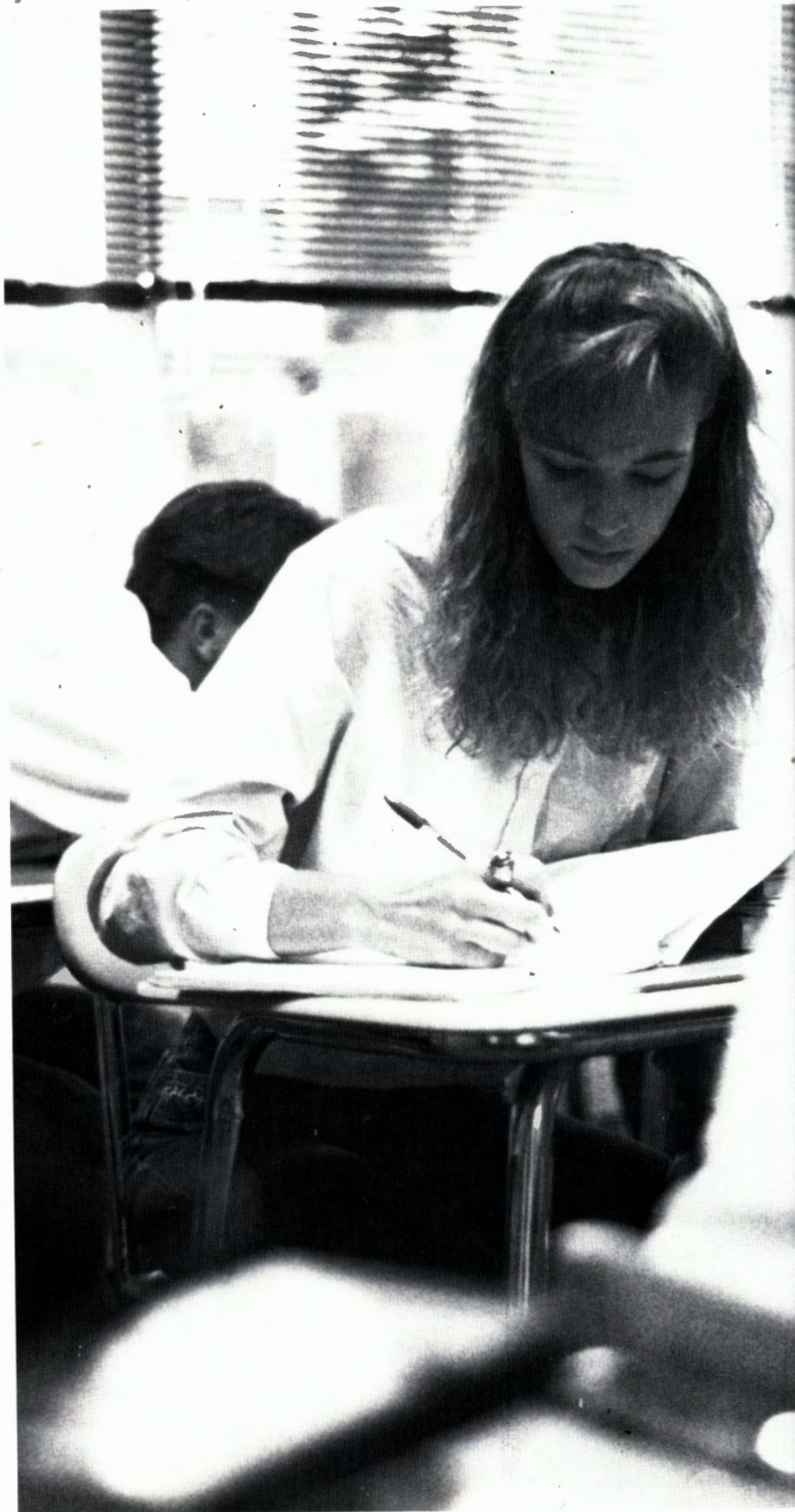
"I'm not really sure what I want to do yet, so I think a big school like MSU is perfect for me. They have just about every program there, and I know that I won't have to worry about finding something I like to do."

--Senior Jennifer VanAlstine



**WE MADE IT!** Enjoying one last chat while collecting their diplomas after the Commencement ceremony June 3, are graduates Rita Haidamous, Brenda Wood and classmates. Looked forward to for years, seniors found themselves excited, and yet sad, when graduation day finally arrived.

**GETTING A HEADSTART.** Doing some last minute work, senior Jean Chase utilizes class time in order to lighten her homework load. Some students found that taking advantage of the extra five-ten minutes at the end of class gave them more time to do what they liked after school.

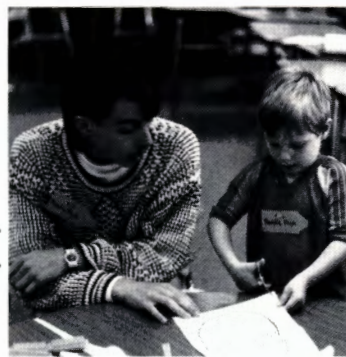




# More Than You *Know!*

We were told, but we didn't listen. From the moment we received our class schedules at the end of the summer, to the ringing bell of our first class, we were continually warned of the terrors the new school year would bring. As sophomores we were to beware. High school wasn't like junior high. Classes would be much more serious, not to mention facing final exams for the first time. As juniors we were told to change our study habits and begin to understand that our class schedule would make a social life virtually impossible! Finally, as seniors, we were warned about all the decisions we would have to make regarding our future. As the school year progressed, we found that it took you know to this and pre-selves for the

more than tackle all of pare our-future.



**TIME STANDS STILL.** With great patience, senior Jeremy Sickle helps nursery school student, Randie Finch, painstakingly cut out his artwork. The nursery school was one of the projects of Nancy Lamphier's Child Development class which prepared students for child-rearing.



# You've Been Civilized Long Enough!

Elbows off the table! Feet on the floor! Pay attention! After years of this familiar training, students gained a different preparation for the future through Western Civilization class. "I took Western Civilization because I thought it would be a challenge. I took it this year because if I didn't do well enough, I would have time to take it over before graduating," reasoned sophomore Jenni Thill. Like many other students who took the class, sophomore Mari Cooper observed, "I thought it would be good preparation for college and it is a recommended class for the college-bound student."

While the motivation to take the class was basically the same for most students, first impres-

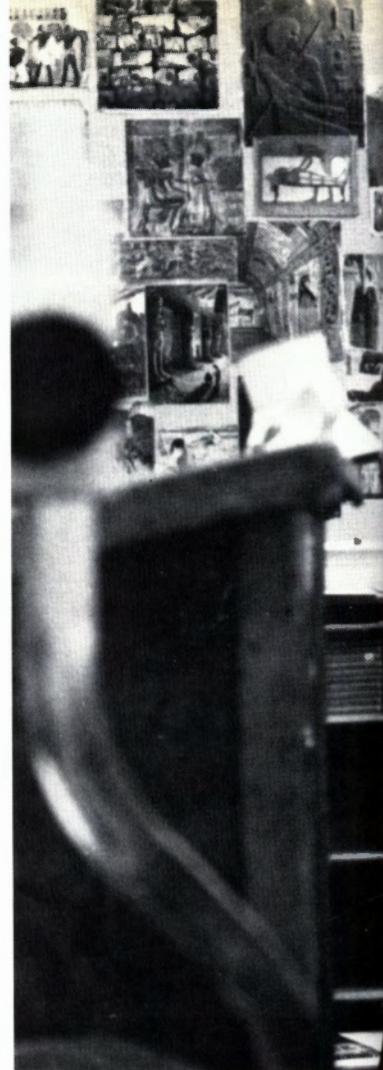
sions on women's rights." However, a disadvantage was observed by sophomore Jim Hines, "I'm so busy trying to copy notes that I don't have time to disagree!"

Relief from note-taking came at times with the addition of some humor. As the year progressed, students learned that the class had unique things to offer. One of these was the attention-getting methods of teaching. Sophomore Beth Bonner described one of these occasions as she revealed, "Mr. Woolston climbed up on his desk, rolled his pants legs up, showing off his surgery-scars and began to pose like an Egyptian! He was trying to show the fine features of people, like the profile of the eyes and shoulders. Then

he began doing an Egyptian dance. Other people in the class were laughing so hard they were crying and I almost died laughing, even though I had been warned about it!"

Besides the humor, ideals were examined by students. "This class helps you understand the way people developed in the western world, and why people do the things they do in today's society," reflected senior Nancy Pike. Sophomore Ryan Zitka added, "It has taught me to value my family and morals." After having taken Western Civilization class, students realized that they had been civilized long enough and now it was time to take on the "real world."

--Crystal Chappell



sions were not always borne out by time. "I thought it was going to be more of a reading type class rather than note-taking. However, taking notes allows me to be more responsible and that is a benefit, noted sophomore Dan Williams.

Other benefits were derived from the teaching methods. Students were challenged to question and synthesize their thinking. "I don't agree with all the theories that are presented in class, but I realize that they are sometimes just opinions, not facts. Everyone has the right to their own opinion and you learn to substantiate it," stated sophomore Ann Simons. Senior Catherine Petrovich noted further, "A healthy, heated discussion is always the result when I disagree with some of the theo-

## *It's a Small World for World Class Students*

From as close as Canada to as far away as Germany, student travelers left their tracks in countries all over the world. They also encountered a variety of learning experiences along the way.

"The Canadians I met in Toronto were overly friendly. They would just walk up to me and start talking. I didn't know what they were saying because they were speaking French, but I knew they were being friendly."

—**Junior Kira Ihrcke**

"When we got to the airport in Jamaica, there were bands playing reggae music everywhere. I loved it! The streets were lined with booths and tables where the Jamaican people would sell their crafts and food. Some of them would stop me and start talking,

trying to get me to buy their crafts."

—**Junior Kristi Purchase**

"On my trip to France, I noticed that if I spoke French to the people in Paris, they were very pleasant and helpful. But if I spoke English, they tended to ignore me. I also noticed that the French seemed less social than Americans."

—**Senior Kathy Nelson**

"When I went on the German exchange trip, it seemed to me that the Germans were more open about their male/female relationships. It wasn't strange for a sixteen year old German student to go on a two-week vacation with just their boyfriend or girlfriend."

—**Senior Laura Dickenson**

--Greg Toth



**AAAH, A BURGER AT LAST!** Enjoying a taste of home at the Munich Burger King are seniors Jill Souza and Jenny Westgate as they recapitulate about their day sightseeing on the German Exchange trip in June.





**GETTING THE POINT ACROSS.** Western Civilization teacher, Gerald Woolston attempts to give his students a visual and humorous account of his learning for the day with sophomore Ryan Brown as Emily Hake looks on.

**PSYCHED UP!** Ready for questions and turned on to the subject of Physics is teacher Lowell Rudd as he lectures his class accompanied by notes on the blackboard.



## *Psych Yourself Up!*

Whether it was as simple as beating the procrastination bug or as consuming as reaching your potential, to meet the challenges, you had to psych yourself up! Where could one find the motivation and answers? In Psychology and Sociology classes. "In Psychology you learn about people and what causes them to act and react," noted senior Mishal Mosely. In the larger social context, senior Heather Bannick observed, "Sociology helps me to understand the world better and why it works the way it does. I've also come to understand the importance of education for a better life."

In these classes students studied about human relations

and how to cope in the world. Senior Karen Crawford reflected, "We read about other people and realize that we would be just like the poor and unemployed if we weren't motivated in our schoolwork."

The methods often fit the subject matter as students learned cooperatively. "I enjoy class discussions very much. We also get into small groups for discussion and to do group assignments," explained junior Johanna Young. Sociology and Psychology classes emphasized the importance of how people live day by day and coping strategies. What better way to psych yourself up!

--Kristin McGoldrick



**TAKE A BREATHER.** Resting in a Munich plaza are seniors Amy Ramos and Jenny Westgate before continuing with their sightseeing. Approximately twenty students enjoyed the opportunity to travel on the biennial German Exchange trip. The exchange is held with the Elsa Brandstrom Gymnasium in Munich.





**DECISIONS, DECISIONS.** Looking over college material in the Counseling Center is senior Tina Kistler. The Center was an important resource along with visits from College Reps for students' college and career choices.

**HIGH TECH.** Demonstrating computer applications in business are Melinda Smith and Stacey Johnson at the Education Fair. The Business Department taught classes in a new computer lab this year.



## College Day

...Tick...Tock...Tick...Tock...Time was slipping away for seniors still solving the inevitable question, 'where will I go to college?' The decision-making process was a difficult one. In order to make the road to one's college choice a little easier, the counseling center helped schedule representative visitations so students could gain more information.

Some students found the representatives extremely helpful. Before College Day, I didn't know anything about Eastern, but the representative gave me a lot of information to think about," commented senior Jill Hartley.

Beyond helpful information, some students based their final decision on the basis of listening to a representative. "I really didn't know if I even

wanted to go to college before College Day, but the representative from Hofstra College in New York stressed a social life and I liked that," stated junior Jennifer Beck.

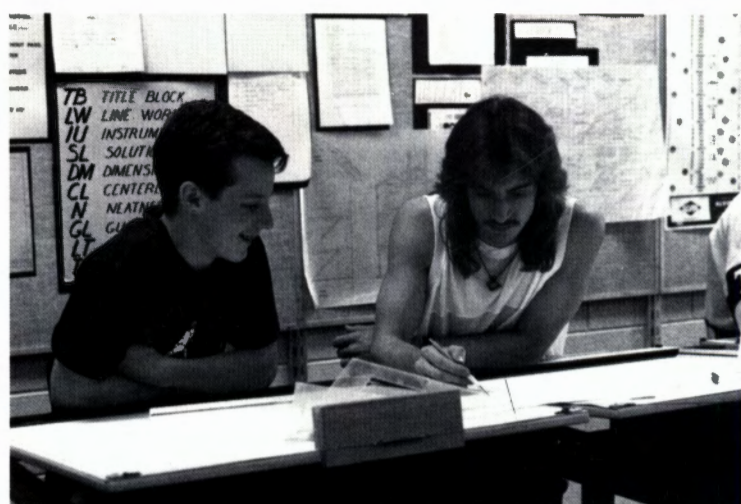
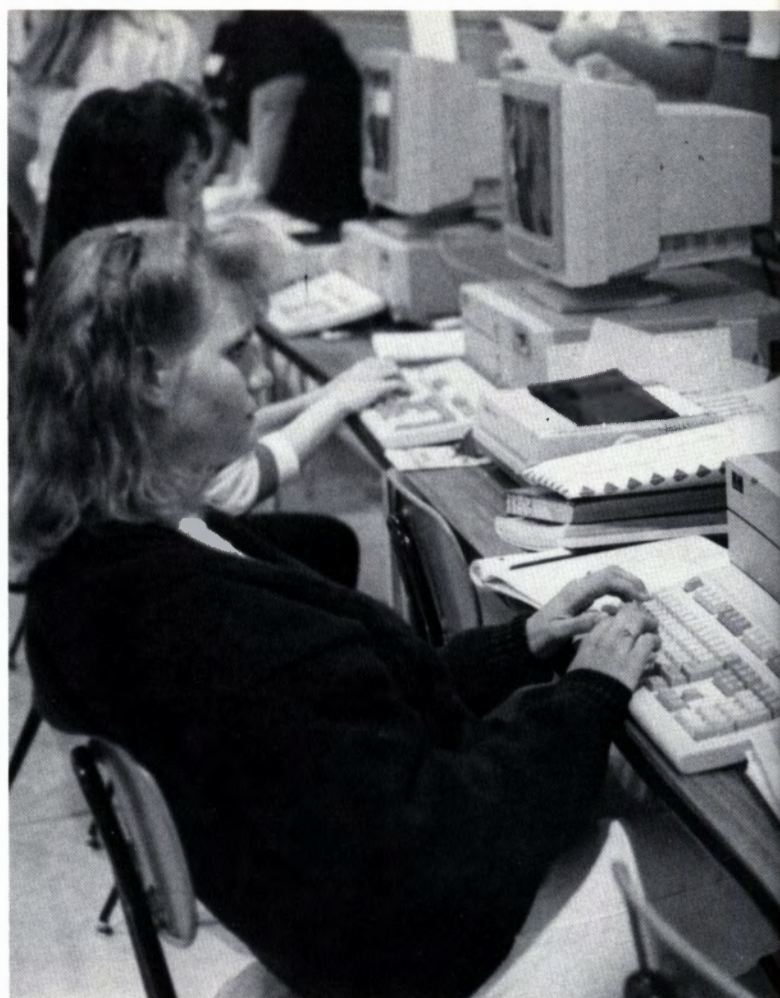
In addition to the facts about programs, some students found that the sincerity or the personality of the representative counted a lot. "The representatives I received the most help from were those who talked about the transition from high school to college, and didn't just rave about the college they were from, but presented it realistically," noted senior Christy Goff.

In the end students realized every bit of information helped as they still wrestled with the choice of 'which college will be part of my future?'

--Robbyn Hoffman

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**CAREER CLASS.** Technical Drawing class appealed to many students interested in a drafting career, as well as other related fields, such as engineering. Senior Dave Crispin discusses the class assignment with junior Jason Wise.

**AT LAST.** Receiving her long awaited diploma from the President of the Board of Education, Alton Granger, is senior Renee Gamet. The ceremony marks a transition for many students onto the demanding experience of college.





# Big or Small... The Choice is Yours!

Did good things really come in small packages? When the "small packages" referred to small colleges, the opinions held by students varied.

Many students preferred smaller, private colleges because they liked the idea of seeing friendly, familiar faces rather than being lost in an ocean of strangers. "I believe that I would go into shock if I went from a relatively small high school like Holt, where everyone basically knows everyone else to an enormous university where everyday you would see thousands of different faces," revealed senior Jean McNease.

Furthermore, others felt that small schools were more personal and appreciated the individual at-

tention that was associated with them. "I wouldn't want to go to a large university where I would only be a number. I believe that small, personal classes where the students are one-on-one with the professors would better help me to learn rather than huge lecture halls of 250 people, taught by a graduate student who doesn't know your name," commented senior Amanda Fisher.

Another bonus of small schools often cited was the more realistic goal of being able to participate in varsity sports. While larger Division I schools recruited top athletes from across the country, smaller Division III schools did not make it a practice to offer sports scholarships. This improved the chances of less than superstar athletes being able to participate in collegiate sports. "I

would love to play tennis in college, but I know that I could never participate at a school such as the University of Michigan," related senior Trisha Lennox.

However, many students felt that because of their size, larger schools had more to offer, both academically and socially. "I'm not really sure what I want to do yet, so I think a big school like MSU is perfect for me. They have just about every program there and I know that I won't have to worry about not finding something I like to do," commented senior Jennifer VanAlstine.

Others felt positive about the vast numbers of students at big universities and looked forward to the transition. "I love meeting new people and cannot wait to go to Western Michigan University next year!" exclaimed senior



**TEAR AWAY.** Getting information about Barnard College from the posters and brochures near the Counseling Center is senior Suzanne Allman. Many seniors spent hours with counselors trying to decide on which colleges to apply to.

Darin Leaf.

Likewise, many students were attracted to the extra-curricular benefits of attending a large school. "My brother goes to MSU, so I know that it's great. There is ALWAYS something to do, no matter what your tastes or preferences are," declared senior Kris Schuette. Others, like senior Matt Schnepf just preferred the overall atmosphere of large campuses. "I like MSU because the environment seems so much more collegiate than many of the smaller schools I've seen."

While students disagreed on whether small or large colleges were better, almost all could agree on one thing—that going off to college was an exciting proposition and one that they could not wait to initiate! --Christy Goff



# Beating The Odds As 'Wingers'

**OOPS**—Amnesia hits again! The test to end all tests, the big one, was forgotten in the haste of meeting more pressing challenges. No sweat. A few minutes her, a few at lunch and I'll be ready. Who were these marvels who could cram into a half-hour what took the rest of us an evening to conquer? They were the 'wingers,' the surviving few who could pull things from their heads instantly beyond the last minute!

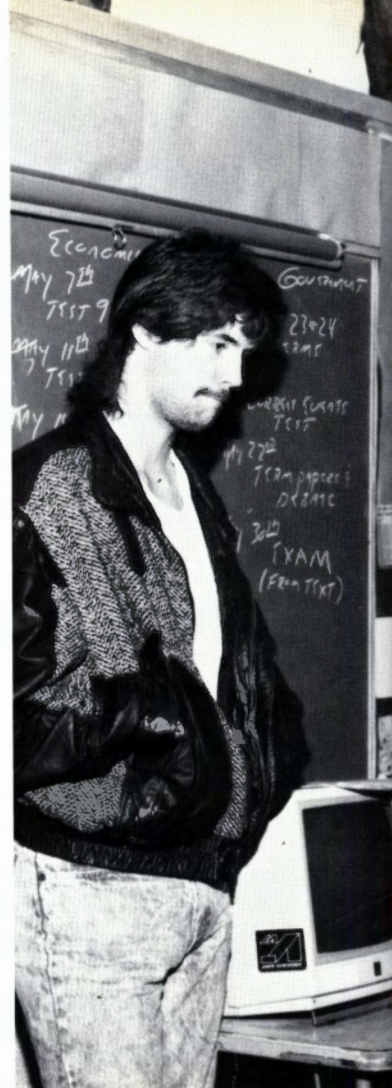
Wingers came in all shapes and sizes and by their deceitful talents in an honest way. They possessed enough common sense and knowledge of human nature to see them through. Senior John Verlinde explained, "If I'm not prepared in advance I improvise

and try to quickly memorize the subject. I also try to guess by how a teacher reacts to me when I question him about an answer. They usually give a clue or two you can pick up on."

Winging it was actually becoming looked upon as an art of learning—a way of mastering larger amounts of material in a faster amount of time. It was no longer looked upon as a feeble attempt to cram. "To wing something isn't as easy as you think. Anymore, one must keep up with the constant changes in tests, quizzes, worksheets, etc. It's a battle of wits with oneself and one's memory and demands much social skill. You also have to have good common sense and some sense of the subject at

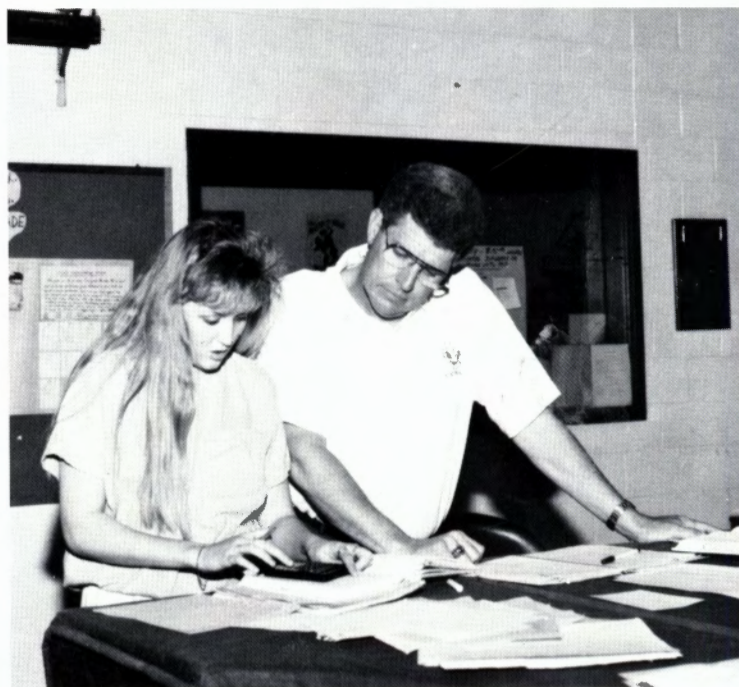
hand," noted junior Jeremy Gipe.

When procrastination took its toll and one was beyond salvaging the moment by madly memorizing or psyching out the answer, one could turn to postponing it. Some found this worked in times of desperation very well. Junior Rob Ellis revealed, "When I'm not ready to take some sort of test or quiz, I'll try to get another day before I have to take it or at least another day to finish the homework. I try to have a good reason and will even ask for additional help which usually works. Let's face it, most of us have systems or ways to wing it and most are sincere and honest attempts to master something passably...believe it or not."



**HAM IT UP!** Presenting a skit to their French class are Keri McPhall, Debbi Thomas, Andy Feland and Sakia Kendrick. Although they practiced the act beforehand, they found they had to ad lib and wing it a little in its final delivery.

**GET IT RIGHT.** Lending a helping hand, teacher Dan Ernst works out a problem with junior Sandy Hayes in his Business Math class. Students who were concerned and wanted to do well, found teachers eager to help them.

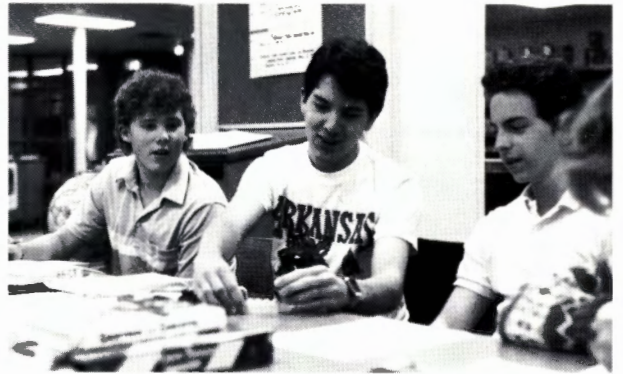






**NO TIME TO WING IT!** Presenting a speech in Mr. Northrup's class is senior Tina Kistler while Brenda Wood looks on. Speeches were dreaded assignments and usually not left for the last minute.

**A BREAK FROM REALITY.** Finding an excuse to postpone homework, seniors John Killips, John Feland and Brent Smith combine their talent to solve the puzzle of this simple toy.



## *The Great Pretenders*

Anxiety stricken, the student grabbed at the air for the story. As the words quickly came into his mind, they poured out of his mouth, unedited. Since the invention of homework, students have become creative and skillful professionals with the old excuse.

Creativity became the key to good excuses. Senior Brad Brookens explained, "I tell my teachers that there was a minor nuclear explosion in locker number 205, and if my homework can be salvaged from the destruction, I could turn it in after school. I usually use excuses if I fall behind. It's not the most fun thing in the world to play catch up. It's kind of makes me feel like the Detroit Lions."

However, alibis became a regular routine for many students. But sometimes even the most clever excuses backfired. Junior Brian Pratt re-

called, "I once told my teacher that my brother died and I couldn't do my homework. It turned out she knew my brother!"

New ideas for excuses were never scarce. Some students even resorted to environmental conservation. "One time I told a teacher that I didn't think we should have to write out homework on paper with pencils because I believe in conserving natural resources and preventing the unnecessary destruction of trees. Needless to say, she didn't agree that was a good enough reason not to write out homework," stated junior Craig Thill.

As students became weighted down by the stress of homework, they found ways to relieve the tension and buy some additional time with clever excuses.

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--Junior Jeremy Gipe



**LEARNING BY EXAMPLE.** Showing a child who participated in the nursery school program in Mrs. Lamphier's Child Development class the finer points of

washing her hands is senior Randi Foster. Students, had to teach and work with the children as part of the class assignment.



## Get Up and Go!

"Just five more minutes and I swear I'll get up." Sound familiar? For some students, it marked the beginning of every school day as motivation became more than a word. It was often a job. The answer to what motivated students varied from one individual to another and the circumstance.

"One of the main reasons I get up and go to school is to see my friends smiling faces and to catch up on the gossip."

--Senior Stephanie Six

"What motivates me to do well is to get good grades for college and then eventually make more money."

--Senior Beth Ware

"If the teacher presents the material in an interesting way it makes it easier for me to want to listen and learn."

--Sophomore Tafie Finch

"I like it when teachers help me break down what I'm having problems with, so I can understand it better."

--Sophomore Heather Reif

--Angie Duling



**FUN AND GAMES.** Helping nursery school students with an art project in Mrs. Lamphier's Child Development class is senior David Simmons and junior Becky Gasch.

**JOINT EFFORT.** Working cooperatively to complete a lab in science class are juniors Mark Premer and Sherif Hadley while teacher, Barbara Neureither provides some help.



**WEIRD SCIENCE.** All gaze in anticipation as junior Pat Schuette pours liquid nitrogen on a rose. The chemistry experiment conducted by juniors Amy Wright and Kelly Boss was a success as brittle petals shattered on the desk.

**LAB OF SORTS.** Working together on a computer assignment in Technical Drawing class are juniors Chris Kennedy and Brad McKouen. The class gave students experience working with CADD programming.







# Lab Gab

## Livens Up Classroom Life

From persuing paramecium under the microscope, to the detailed dissection of fetal pigs, students found creative ways to jazz up the customary biology blues. Junior Robbyn Hoffman explained, "In biology class my friend and I would liven up our labs by singing 'Wild Thing' and 'You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling' while examining organisms under the microscope. If you have to come to lab why not try to make it fun!" Sophomore Angie Taylor added, "Pig dissection in Human Physiology class was not as exciting as it may have sounded, so to spice things up I would give my pig a bath and cut out the extra organs so our lab

would not be fumigated by the preservative. Then I would curl it's tail to make it look cute. Let me tell you, my lab had the cleanest pig in the school."

Serenading and cleaning were not the only things that sparked students' attention during labs. Sophomore A.J. Zapata revealed, "Out of curiosity and for the entertainment of others, I went a step further in our zoology lab to taste-testing the 'molluska.' A word of advice, do not ever eat a raw clam! They taste disgusting and you do not feel so well afterwards."

Others found that teachers helped boost their spirits through the long lab hour. Sophomore

Tracey Hamlin stated, "Whenever Mr. Templin would begin to notice heads resting on their hands or eyes start to droop, he would stop the class and tell jokes to liven us up. Although his jokes seemed anything but humorous, he made us laugh and get back into biology. He also encouraged us to become involved in our classes and we often did extra activities to make the hour more exciting."

Though labs offered a change of pace from the routine, students never tired of looking for more creative ways to conduct an experiment.

--Jamie McGoldrick



**REAL MOTIVATOR.** Parents Day provided students a day off of school if their parent(s) came in their place. Consequently many parents found out what a day

of school was like in the '90's. For many it was not only fun, but an eye opener. Senior Corey Hake and a classmate help a parent with an experiment in Physics lab.



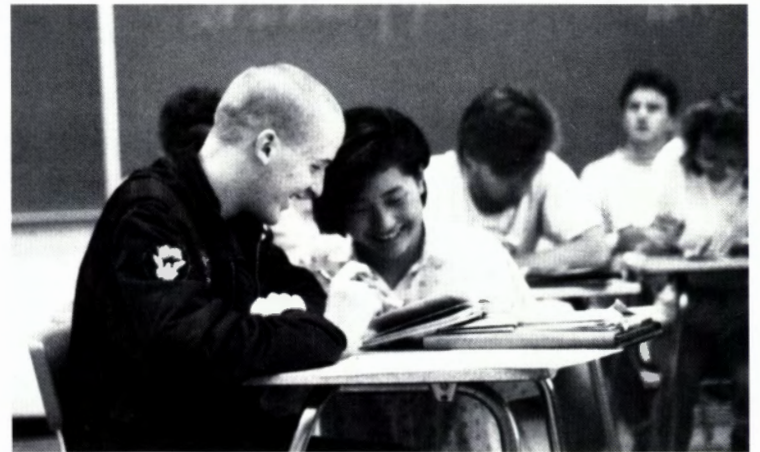
# Pump Up ...The GPA

**ANTICIPATION.** On the day of reckoning, Math teacher, Jack Crawford presents students in his class with their papers and grades on the assignment. One of the rewards of teaching is to behold students' smiling faces when their tests and homework are returned.

**THAT'S WHAT FRIENDS ARE FOR.** Getting help from sophomore Crystal Chappell in English class is sophomore Scott Doerr. Cooperative learning was the popular phrase of the academic year, but many students realized they have been learning cooperatively for a long time.

get my GPA, it can never be high enough for me." Nevertheless, when the GPA's arrived, one had to live with them for better or worse.

---Tammi Wardwell



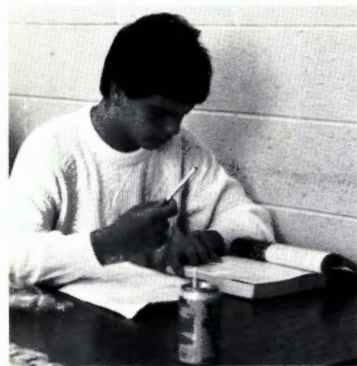
Other students felt their GPA didn't reflect their potential. Sophomore Angie Pollok admitted, "I know my GPA could be higher if I studied more and took more time on my homework." Junior Jodi Daggett agreed, "I try hard, but I don't get everything done, and that's why my GPA is not as good as it should be."

Recognizing the need to prepare for the future, sophomore Jayson Roehl stated, "To get into a good college after I graduate, I'll have to try harder to get my average up to a 3.5 or better."

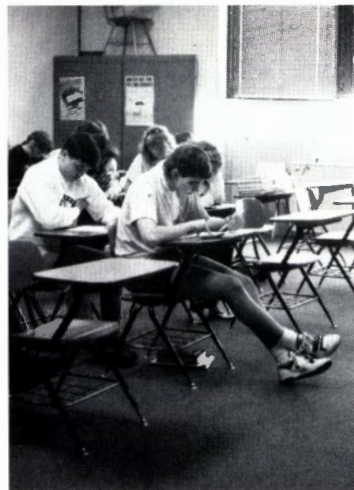
While some were not content with their grade averages, others became even more disheartened. Sakia Kendrick concluded, "No matter how high I can

"You better watch out, you better not cry, you better not pout, I'm telling you why, GPA's are arriving in the mail!" While some students were crying and anxious about their marks, others were thrilled, illustrating the fact that students had many different feelings about their grade point average. "I feel that I have done my best, but when my GPA isn't the greatest, I strive harder to do better," commented sophomore Jenny Thill.

When one's potential is realized, the grade point average becomes the payoff. Sophomore Mark Schuette revealed, "I feel great about my GPA because I'm doing 'exemplary' this year."



**POWER LUNCH.** Studying for a test in his next class during lunch is senior Ryan Pennock. Lunch was a bonus to many students who had to finish up homework or do some last-minute reviewing for tests.



**$Ax=2(3)XY=WHAT?$**  Working out a problem during a test in Mr. Lerner's Algebra II class is junior Rob Ellis. Solving math problems was not something one could wing very well. It was a matter of studying for understanding beforehand.



**GETTING THE STORY.** Parent-Teacher conferences offer an opportunity for parents to better understand their teen's progress or difficulties they were having.

Business Education teacher, Scotty Shimnoski discusses the progress of one of his students with parents at the fall conferences.





## Anxiety Attacks!

They're here! The dreaded word that starts with an "E." Every student's nightmare—EXAMS!

Although no student could get by without last minute reviewing, some planned ahead of time to prevent total panic the night before. "When the unit begins, I try to understand the material so I don't have to depend on just memorizing it, especially right before the test," explained junior Alys Abdo.

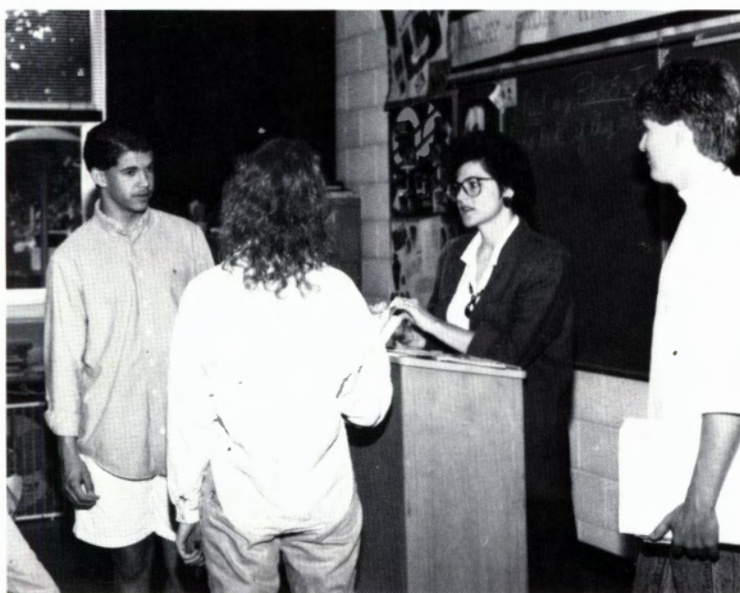
Many students though, weren't so prepared or consistent. They had to depend on unique study methods to learn or relearn the material. "I memorize by reading upside down. This makes you concentrate more on what you are reading," revealed sophomore Jennifer Gubry.

Other students simply read and reread in normal fashion to review. What became important for some students was where to study. Some had a favorite place to read ranging from in front of the TV to the bath tub. "I study in the bath tub. It is relaxing but your books get wet sometimes," revealed senior Jill Hartley.

Another way to relieve the stress of concentrated study was through music or one's artistic abilities. "After studying, I play the piano or the bassoon the night before a test. It clears my head and helps me relax," commented sophomore Jessica Stauffer.

No matter what the method of study or the relaxation afterward, the goal of earning a good grade on the exam was the bottom line for most students.

--Sara Faculak



**ROUTINE CHECK-UP.** Discussing a class assignment with Communication Arts teacher, Pamela Klimenko, just before the bell are seniors Brent Hunter, Brad

Brookens, Paige Hunter and Jason Doerr. Many students took the opportunity at the end of class to check on their grades and solve problems.

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--Sophomore  
Jessica Stauffer



## Creativity... The Subject

"O' young artist, you search for a subject - everything is a subject. Your subject is your impressions, your emotions in the presence of nature," explained the French artist Eugene Delacroix about where creative ideas are found.

Art Seminar students created many different projects throughout the year. They found that one of the most important steps in the process of creating, was finding a subject. "My subjects and ideas for projects originate from my imagination. I see everyday objects and put them in strange arrangements, so they can tell a new and different story from that which most people recognize," explained senior Chris Emmerth.

While some students found their subjects in everyday objects, others went to different resources for their ideas. "Sometimes, while reading, I visualize an image in my mind from the works on the paper, I then have an idea for a project," revealed junior Lisa Newberry.

Sometimes students had problems in finding subjects. "Once in a while I feel like I can't create a new idea, but then I realize that new things are always happening around me, and I draw upon them," reflected senior Greg McLellan.

While some students experienced problems finding ideas, others had no difficulties at all. "My main problem is carrying out all my ideas. It would be impossible to use them all, unless I painted 24 hours a day," related senior Allison Wilber.

Art seminar students learned to create and develop works of art out of thin air. Although sometimes this



proved to be a struggle, the students worked around any and all obstacles.

--Debra Shaver

**CAST AWAY.** Creating a mask of plaster on senior Jody Messer's face are Krista Bowman and Debbie Beehler during Constructions class. The mask was used

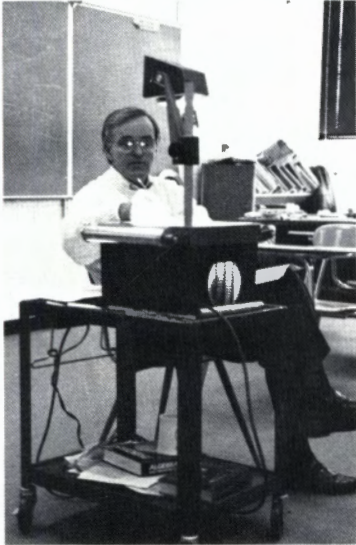
as the face on a life-size cast plaster figure of a rock musician which was displayed at the Education Fair in May.



# Double Vision

## High School And College Overlap

**SOLVING THE PROBLEM.** Working through a problem on the overhead for his Math class is teacher, William York who also teaches Honors classes in the Math Department. Several of his students entered the Michigan Math Competition of which, senior Darren Craig placed tenth out of 2000 entries.



Who was stressed out, studied for hours, and carried books all over? An AP student! At least that was how Advanced Placement and Honors students saw themselves. Almost all AP students were planning to enter a college or university, and felt the accelerated classes would help them to prepare. However, taking advanced courses was a tough road to choose, but many students felt the benefits and rewards proved to be worth the blood sweat and tears. "Advanced classes help you get further ahead in high school, so when you are in college, the work won't be so difficult. I think these classes give you a definite advantage," stated senior Melinda Smith. Senior Jenny Loudon added, "Because I've always

wanted to go to a large college or university, I knew I would need to take classes that would prepare me for the high standards of education at them.

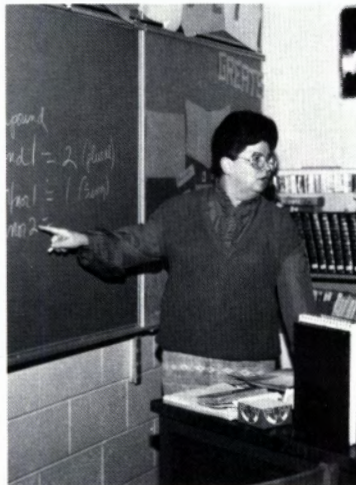
Other students thought that the difficulty of the content offered an advantage. "I think the AP and Honors classes expect more of a student and challenge you to work harder. These classes don't let you be just average," noted senior Trisha Lennox.

Another benefit cited was the opportunity to take the AP exam for college credit. "I thought it was really interesting that I could earn college credit by doing well on the exam. It's a real advantage to enter college and have already earned credits," noted junior Chris LaRoue.

Many students learned impor-

tant lesson that didn't come from books or teachers' lectures. "I learned to have discipline. Without it, I couldn't have survived the advanced classes I took this year. You had to make yourself work hard, because there was a lot of competition in those classes," explained senior Julie Crane. Senior Darren Craig further revealed, "I learned to budget my time and develop good study habits. These things are really important when trying to balance the heavy workload of advanced classes and extra-curricular activities." By the end of the semester, many students discovered that if work was put into the classes, the desired results came out of them in helpful, stimulating and rewarding ways.

--Christy Goff

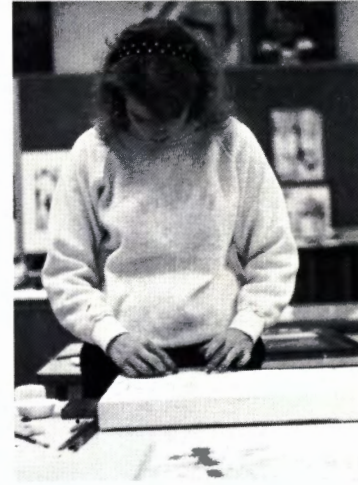


**LEARN AND RELEARN.** Reviewing compound words with her class is Communication Arts teacher, Georgann Withey. She also taught the Study Skills class which many college-bound students find helpful.



**TEACHING BY EXAMPLE.** Demonstrating drawing skills and shading to students in her Drawing class is Fine Arts teacher, Dorothy Anderson. After master-

ing the basic art skills, students can elect to take Art Seminar, for which they get Honors credit.



**PREP TIME.** Preparing a canvas for painting in Art Seminar class is senior Paige Hunter. Independent study projects, and group projects, are undertaken by students with advanced art skills with help from teacher, Dorothy Anderson.



# 7aking It To The TOP!

**TIME FOR MOM AND DAD.** Introducing her parents in recognition is Top Ten senior Amy Lounds. The ceremony was concluded with a speech by Principal, Thomas Davis, who shared with the audience the many achievements of the high school this year and the problems facing educators today.

Ties were donned, skirts and dresses were put on, and dress shoes were taken out of the depths of closets. Parents, relatives and teachers gathered in honor of the highest achievers of the school as they attended the Top Ten Dinner, 3.5 Dinner and Honors Night. Awards were abundant this year as the students excelled in many areas.

The Top Ten seniors were honored at a dinner sponsored by the Holt Kiwanis Club on May 14. The Top Ten seniors were Karen Baker, Sean Burns, Darren Craig, Laura Dickenson, John Feland III, Jennifer Jewett, Nicole Kingsley, Amy Lounds, Kristin Schuette and Melinda Smith. "Everyone really enjoyed themselves at the dinner. It was such an honor to be there because our class is so competitive. Everyone there had worked hard for their accomplishments," revealed senior Nikki Kingsley. Librarian, Mary Gray added, "I think being a Top Ten senior in this year's class was an outstanding accomplishment because it was such a high achieving class."

The Top Ten seniors gathered for dinner a second time along with all the other seniors who had maintained a 3.5 grade average or above during their high school years. A record was set as the Class of 90 had the highest number of 3.5 students ever. Senior Wendy Whitlock noted, "It was a special feeling being there with friends and family, and I was very happy to receive the award because I had worked hard during high school. I also liked the certificates because they came in nice frames!"

Student achievements were celebrated once again as Pernert

Auditorium filled with students and family on May 31 for Honors Night. Awards were given out in many areas including academics, athletics, organizations and scholarships. "I enjoy going to Honors Night because its nice to see students who have worked hard receiving recognition. The awards I received, mean a lot to me and make me feel that I've really accomplished something," explained junior Leslie Fulk.

Summarizing the importance

of the awards, Fine Arts teacher, Ann Paul noted, "Recognition of student achievement is a great motivator and personally rewarding. I wish these students' accomplishments were publicized more often throughout the school year. The students honored at these end-of-year occasions are the involved students who made the school activities, its clubs and organizations function all year long, and brought recognition to the school."



**AN EVENING OF HONOR.** Listening to the address given by Principal, Thomas Davis are the Top Ten seniors: Nicole

Kingsley, John Feland III, Sean Burns, Laura Dickenson, Kristin Schuette, Amy Lounds, Jennifer Jewett, Melinda Smith,

Karen Baker and Darren Craig. Held at the Holt United Methodist Church, the dinner was sponsored by the Holt Kiwanis Club.



**ALL SMILES.** Sitting with their families at the 3.5 Dinner are seniors Renee Gamet and Kim Hannig. Entertainment and a

guest speaker from MSU were additions to the presentation of the awards which took place at the Junior High, May 21.



**CENTER STAGE.** Receiving her certificate of award from the President of the Board of Education, Alton Granger, for maintaining a 3.5 GPA is senior Amy Heiser. The Class of 90 holds the record for the largest number of 3.5 seniors.

**SCHOLARSHIP PAYS OFF.** Dedicated effort is rewarded as senior Jennifer Jewett became a National Merit Scholarship Finalist and was the recipient of numerous academic scholarships capping an involved year.

**"I enjoy going to Honors Night to see students who have worked hard, receiving recognition. The awards I received mean a lot to me and make me feel that I've really accomplished something."**

--Junior Leslie Fulk



**"CONSTRUCTIVE" COMPETITION.** Displaying their awards from the Michigan High School Architectural Design Competition are seniors Greg McLellan and Heather Valencic. Industrial Arts teacher, Steve Neureither took several students from his classes to the two-day competition at Lansing Community College. Greg McLellan won, in addition, a \$500 savings bond for his drawing and has been the recipient each year of awards in the Lansing Art Gallery Scholarship Alert competition.



**PICTURE PERFECT.** Displaying her artwork with Senator John Schwartz at his office in downtown Lansing is junior Teresa Ab-

bruzzese. Teresa's ink drawing was hung in the Senator's office as part of the observance of Gifted and Talented Week.



"At practices, the weather's great--the sun is out and the air is warm. But at the meets, Mother Nature takes revenge. It's either raining or snowing and it seems to be always cold. But we know she will be kinder at the end of the season!

--Senior Kelli Marsh  
Girls' Track Team



**COLD ADVICE.** All bundled up and providing useful information to senior Stephanie Woll is General MacArthur himself, Coach Dave Foy. Looking over the grounds at Waverly High School is freshmen Monica Theisen. Holt dropped the meet 28-27.

**TAKING AIM.** Senior Dominic Perrone gains control of the ball and scores the second goal of the game as Everett's Miguel Alonso (23) tries to delay the inevitable. The kick won the game for the Rams as they defeated the Vikings 2-1 in overtime at Everett's Harry Hill soccer field.







# Nothing But *Action!*

What a season! Most of our time was spent battling Mother Nature rather than our opponents. There were times during practice when it was so hot, you could cook an egg on your forehead. Two weeks later it was so cold that even penguins would be wearing fur coats. Then, there's our coach, telling us we will see nothing but action on the field so we better start pushing ourselves. Yeah right! I'm out here freezing while he's just standing there all bundled up and giving out orders like he's General MacArthur. Oh well, there's nothing like coming off the field with a victory on your shoulders and as they often guys can gut can do it just

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**SIDESWEEP.** Fending off a Warrior is junior Robert Chingman, as he struggled to get footing on the snow-slick turf. The effort paid off as Robert got the first down and the team went on to win the game against Waverly, 21-7.

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# NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH

## Newspaper Prediction Jinx Cannot

# STAND THE TEST

Local newspapers predetermined the gridder's fate as they picked them to finish seventh in the Capital Area Conference. Only five starters were returning and the team began their season on the road against returning Capital Circuit Champions, the Okemos Chieftains.

Lack of experience was the key to their first two losses as they dropped a 28-7 decision to the Chieftains and were shut out by arch rival Grand Ledge, 17-0. Senior co-captain Stan Granger revealed, "The juniors received an early lesson about Varsity football. They learned real fast that the arm tackle they used in JV football is just not going to cut it against the likes of Varsity running backs."

Armed with experience, the team laid their shoulder deep into the heart of East Lansing and Sexton, only to be frustrated with

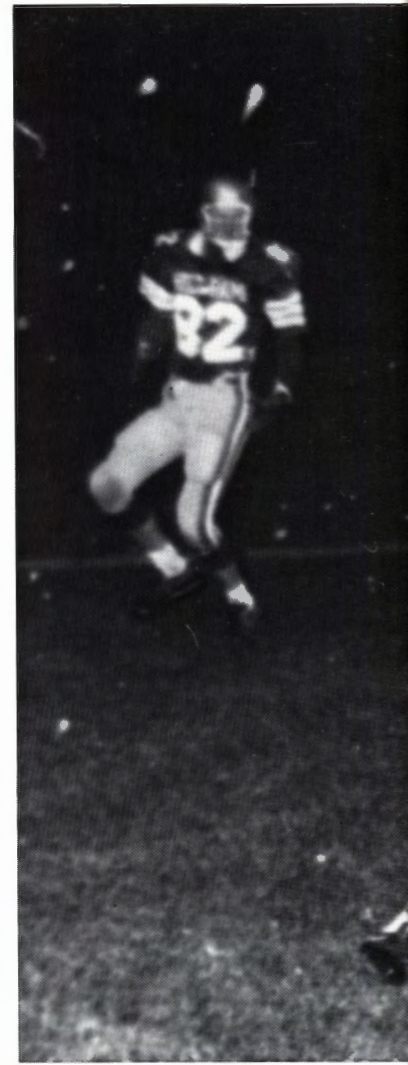
a last minute touchdown by the Trojans and a overtime loss to the Big Reds. "Those two games were really disappointing. We played so hard and had so many opportunities to win but our team could not respond to them," explained coach Rocky Shaft.

As the season progressed, the team began to recognize the advantages and seized them aggressively as they won four of their last five games. First, they spoiled Everett's Homecoming, then they returned to Troost field to defeat the Jackson Vikings and win the Homecoming game against Waverly. In the final game of the season at Charlotte, they demolished all Oriole hopes for a playoff berth. Junior Nick Allen exclaimed, "Beating Charlotte was definitely the highlight of the season! We had the right chemistry that night. We pulled together as a team, made few mistakes and

ended the season by spoiling Charlotte's hope for the playoffs!"

The excitement did not end there. Junior leading rusher Robert Chingman, who gained 1094 yards, was voted most valuable player by teammates and elected to first team all CAC along with senior Stan Granger, who led the defense with 78 tackles. Junior guard Nick Allen received all CAC second team honors. Honorable mentions were achieved by seniors Charles McDowell, Mike Newman, Jeremy Kienitz and juniors Allen Flachs, Brian Houser, Kevin Lane, Chris Sims, and Todd Wilcox.

Senior Charles McDowell summarized, "The year started off a little shaky, but when we finally came together as a team, we were hard to beat and finished the season with a strong string of victories to end up fifth in the CAC."



"My best memories are of playing football. To put on the pads and uniform and to hear the crowd roar when you came onto the field was the greatest feeling to experience. I'm really going to miss those precious moments."

-Senior Mike Newman

### the LAST word

Varsity Football  
4 wins, 5 losses

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
Okemos	7-28
Grand Ledge	0-17
East Lansing	14-26
Sexton	0-6
Everett	27-14
Jackson	14-12
Eastern	7-35
Waverly	21-7
Charlotte	33-22
CAC	5th



**VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM.** Top Row: Coach D. Cory, C. Baldwin, J. Norris, N. Allen, Td. Wilcox, J. Verlinde, E. Royston, J. Kienitz, S. Ostrander, D. Crater, K. Lang, Coach D. Ernst. Row Two: Coach T. Roberts, Trainer B. Johnson, A. Foster, C. McDowell, Tr. Wilcox, B. Mackouen, R. Pannock, C. Grout, M. Van Fossen, B.

Houser, B. Gunnison, T. Culp, Coach R. Shaft. Row Three: Mgr. A. Zapata, C. Simms, S. Granger, M. Newman, B. McBrien, M. Scott, R. Ellis, D. Katsiris, A. Flachs, R. Hulbrook, Mgr. B. Bengry. Bottom Row: K. Foote, J. Lopez, S. Trimmer, S. Conn, R. Resio, P. Schutte, J. Haines, R. Chingman, Mgr. V. Bengry.





**ONE HAND GRAB.** With one arm wrapped up in a Waverly Warrior, junior Mike VanFossen dives into the end zone making a one handed grab, capping off an 80 yard drive in the fourth quarter. Mike's fifth touchdown of the season (the team's third of the game) seals a Homecoming victory over Waverly, 21-7.

**BEAR HUG.** All wrapped in the arms of senior Stan Granger is Everett's Kwame McKinnon. The senior quarterback is sacked for the fifth time as Stan Granger makes his third solo tackle of the game. Holt crushed Everett's Homecoming by beating them 27-14.

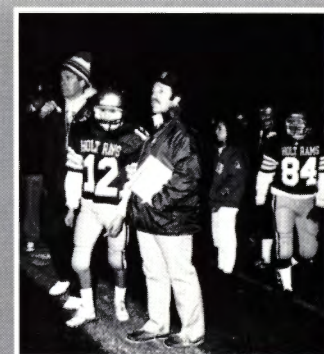


**LAST STEPS.** Striding onto Troost Field for the last time is senior Ryan Pennock as juniors Eric Nemeth

(25) and Allen Flachs (36) congratulate him before the Homecoming game against Waverly.



**SPECIAL TREATMENT.** Taping the fingers of senior John Verlinde during a break in the action is five-year veteran trainer Bridget Johnson.



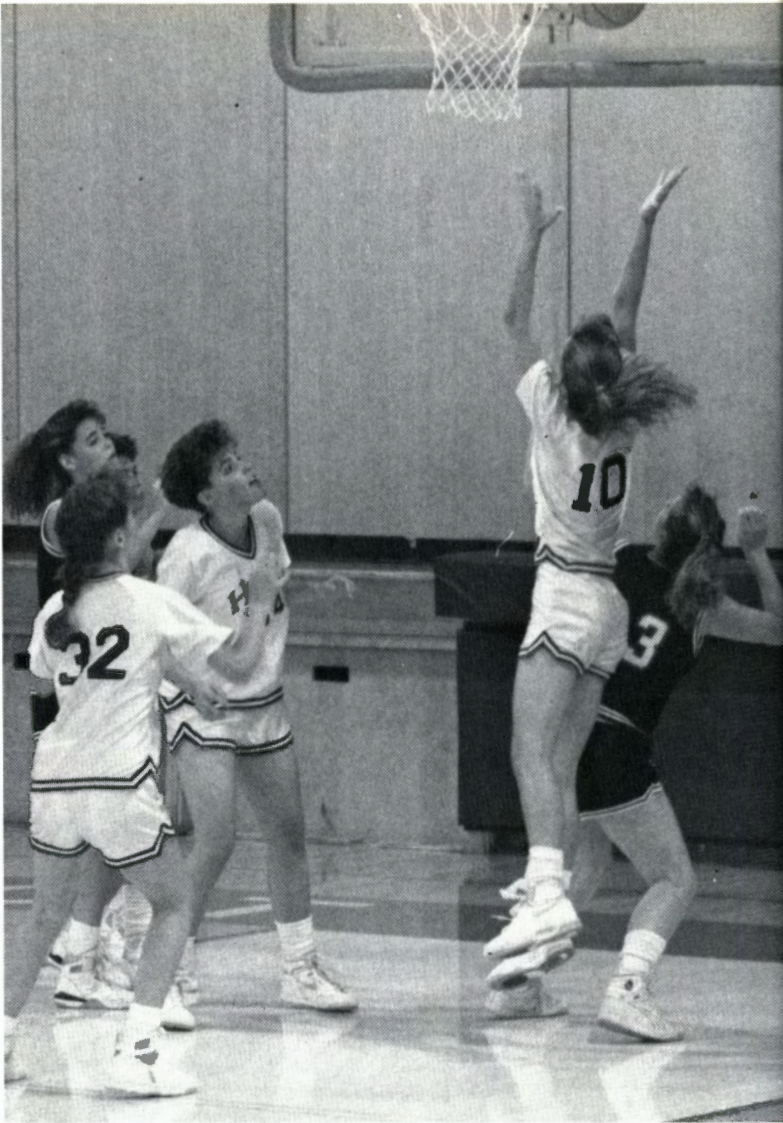
**SIDELINE STRATEGY.** After the opening kick-off, senior quarterback Ricardo Resio listens to head coach Rocky Shaft as he gives the first play. The strategy worked as Holt scored on the first play of the game and took an early 6-0 lead on Homecoming night against Waverly.



**PLAYMAKER.** Taking control of the game, senior Jean Chase looks to pass against Mason's full court press as sophomore Maggie Taylor sprints down the leftside of the court looking for an open spot. The Bulldogs' press prevailed as Mason held the Rams to five second half points and won the game 23-39.



**IN THE PAINT.** The ball falls in as senior Jean Chase makes the layup while being fouled, scoring 7 points for the game. Sophomore Maggie Taylor (32) and senior Kelli Marsh (54) box out the Bulldogs and wait for the rebound.



*The* **LAST** *Word*

"Ever since I was little there was always a basketball in my hands. I love the game and I'm going to miss playing high school ball. But, I'm glad I have the opportunity to continue playing in college."

--Senior Kelli Marsh

**Girls' Varsity Basketball**  
5 wins, 13 losses

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
Williamston	34-20
Pickney	38-32
Lans. Catholic Cen.	40-66
Jackson NW.	64-45
Mason	23-39
Sexton	51-38, 52-26
Eastern	65-68, 65-66
Waverly	48-58, 42-53
Jackson	43-19, 59-34
E. Lansing	53-67, 52-49
Everett	53-55, 39-48
Grand Ledge	50-56, 34-55
Okemos	43-45
Charlotte	38-68

CAC 5th



**GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM.** Top Row: K. Winnie, K. Purchase, M. Taylor, K. Boss, J. Chase, K. Marsh, Coach L. Guenther, K.

Crawford. Bottom Row: K. Williams, A Hinds, N. Lillywhite, D. Shimnoski, D. Harbach.



# NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH

## Key Seniors Lead The Team In

# SCORCHING THE NETS

Four pairs of hands were dipped into a flame and they came out scorching. Nets were on fire as they began the season with an impressive start, winning four of their first six games with a combined score of 315 points along with a championship trophy from the Williamston tournament.

The hands belonged to four seniors-- Nikki Lillywhite, Kelli Marsh, Karen Crawford, and Jean Chase, who had the responsibility of taking the juniors under their wings. With this help throughout the season, the team put away victorious sweeps over Jackson and Sexton. Sophomore Maggie Taylor commented, "To be a sophomore and to get help from the seniors was a big morale booster. They gave me confidence and

pushed me to play at my potential every game."

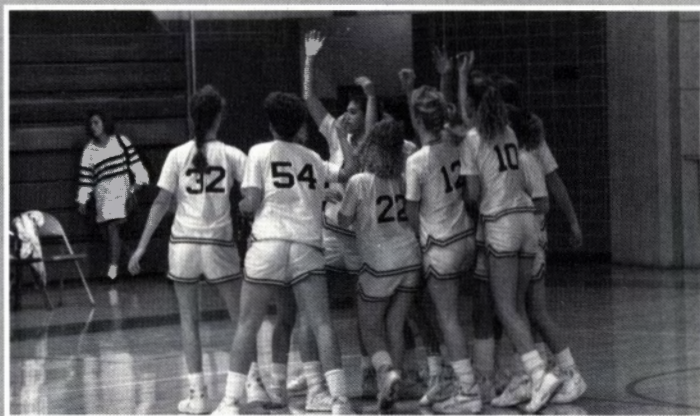
However, the flames began to flicker as wins and losses alternated throughout the season, taking games from East Lansing, Jackson Northwest, and Pinckney but receiving frustrating losses from Eastern, Waverly, Everett, and Grand Ledge.

Coach Lila Guenther shared her feelings about the last game of the season as she revealed, "I felt somewhat disappointed with the way we played that night because we had played so well in the previous games. However, we were not all physically healthy and that was a major factor in the game."

The flames were consumed to ashes when the end of the season came. Two very disappointing

losses ended the season, one against Grand Ledge, 34-55, and another to Charlotte in Districts, 38-68. "We had played so well against East Lansing and Everett that it was frustrating to lose by so many points to Grand Ledge. We had worked so hard all season and to lose that way at the end was a disappointment," explained senior Kelli Marsh.

However the ashes rekindled brilliantly at the very end when senior Kelli Marsh received an all CAC selection and senior Jean Chase received an honorable mention. The honor of having two players recognized helped to keep the players' spirits high with a final season record of 8-13 overall.



**CHARITY SHOTS.** With eyes on the basket, Senior Kelli Marsh takes advantage of a Mason foul as she converts one of two freethrows from the line. The extra shot added to the team's points as they led Mason at halftime 18-12.

**TEAM SPIRIT.** Breaking from the huddle the Rams go into the locker room with an 18-12 lead only to lose to Mason at the final buzzer, 23-39 as they shot 43.9% from the field compared to Holt's 30.3%.



# NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH

## Tough Competition Keeps JV Teams

# ON THE BALL

Each winning their first game, the JV Football and Girls' Basketball season began with momentum. Intensity and teamwork spread like wild fire through the JV cagers as they won their next four games. Sophomore Chloe Parker observed, "Our team accomplished a lot this year. With encouragement from Coach York and teamwork, we gained the edge on some pretty tough teams to finish second in the CAC."

After dropping a one point decision to Mason, the team regrouped and prepared themselves for the tough CAC games ahead. Rebounding to success, the team ran off with five straight victories over Eastern, Waverly, East Lansing, Everett, and Sexton; a team that could only summon up enough strength to score five points against a strong defense. "The intensity on defense was

really high and when you add the hustle and determination together, we were really a tough team to beat," explained coach Bill York.

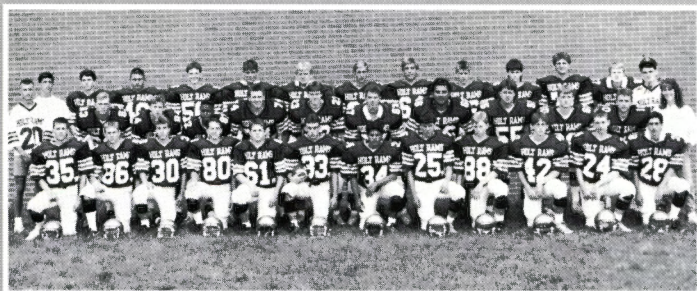
The CAC found out just how hard it was since the girls swept all the conference teams except Grand Ledge. In the last game of the season the Comets barely pulled off a victory by the slimmest margin of three points. Sophomore Tara Hoekwater revealed, "I think friendship had a lot to do with how well we played as a team. As sophomores we have become a lot closer and it helped us to have a great season."

Armed with a new offense, the Brown Stretch, the JV Football team exploded into the new season by trouncing the Okemos Chieftains, 28-6. However, from there on, the team had to fight an uphill struggle. They dropped

their next three games losing one at home against Sexton, 6-33. Sophomore J.J. Hunter explained, "We had tried a new offense and it took us awhile to perfect it. But, when things started clicking, we were red hot!"

As the flames of adrenalin soared, the team came together both on offense and defense and upset Everett, 14-13, who was undefeated at the time and number one in the conference. Sophomore Brett Eaton exclaimed, "Everybody worked together to beat Everett because they were in first place! This game showed that when we put our minds to it, we could achieve anything!"

The season ended with the team winning one of the last two games, holding Waverly scoreless, 20-0. Combining teamwork and intensity, both JV teams finished the season strong.

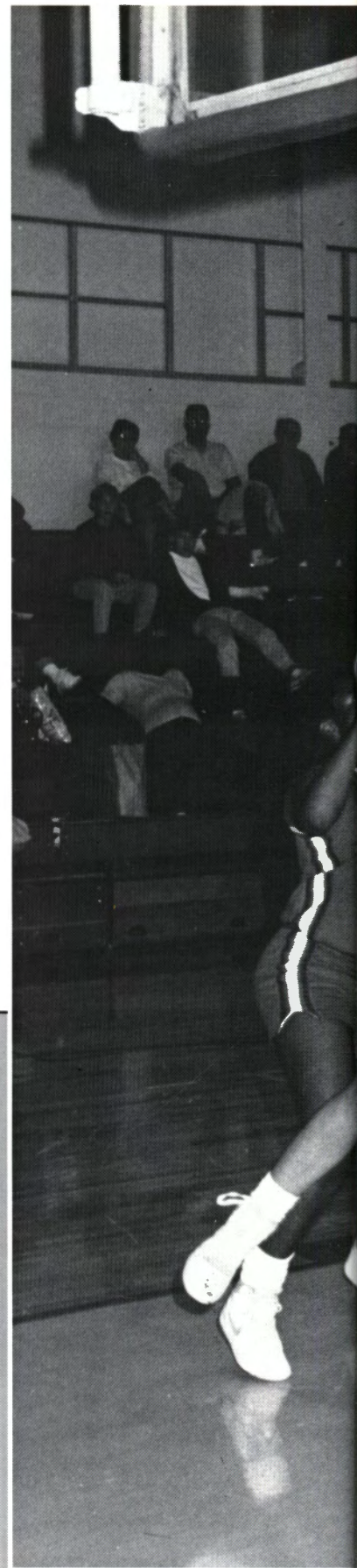


**JV FOOTBALL TEAM.** Top Row: M. Kuebler, T. Schafer, D. Williams, J. Mc Daniel, M. Lindberg, J. Meister, R. Brown, B. Eaton, P. Robbennolt, B. Roy, J. Zuidema. Row Two: M. Ranke, E. Brooks, B. Sorensen, D. Howard, J. Conn, D.

Curry, C. Beltran, H. Thurman, P. Dishaw, J. Hunter, C. Janes. Bottom Row: T. Hayes, E. Johnson, S. Jackson, N. Pilon, D. Holbrook, M. Parry, A. Haidamous, J. Kershner, J. Sumerix, A. Rashid, R. Zitka, J. Milbourn.



**GIRLS' JV BASKETBALL TEAM.** Top Row: Coach W. York, A. Doll, R. Bruning, T. Hoekwater, K. Vantill, C. Parker. Middle Row: N. Felton, J. Akers, K. Burns, S. Granger, S. Mill. Bottom Row: N. Clark, A. Berg.







**ANOTHER REBOUND.** Freshman Amy Doll shows her rebounding skills as she steps in front of an Everett opponent to rebound a missed shot. The aggressive rebounds helped the team to a 54-15 victory over Everett.



**GET IT.** Trying to keep the ball from going out of bounds, is sophomore Kristin Van Till as she reaches to save it in the 54-15 win over Everett.

**BLITZED!** Stretching the Quaker offense, sophomore Tim Schafer avoids Eastern's rush and throws the eighth first down of the game, yet, Holt lost 14-26.



## The LAST Word

### JV Football 3 wins, 6 losses

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
Okemos	28-6
Grand Ledge	6-7
East Lansing	6-30
Sexton	16-33
Everett	14-13
Jackson	6-27
Eastern	14-26
Waverly	20-0
Charlotte	6-28
<b>CAC</b>	<b>7th</b>

### Girls JV Basketball 13 wins, 5 Losses

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
Williamston	51-36
Eaton Rapids	39-37
Lansing Catholic	42-46
Jackson NW	34-26
Mason	36-37
Sexton	45-5, 42-53
Eastern	54-31, 63-23
Waverly	60-37, 50-34
East Lansing	50-49, 42-40
Everett	54-15, 48-25
Grand Ledge	42-53, 43-46
Okemos	37-48

**CAC 2nd**



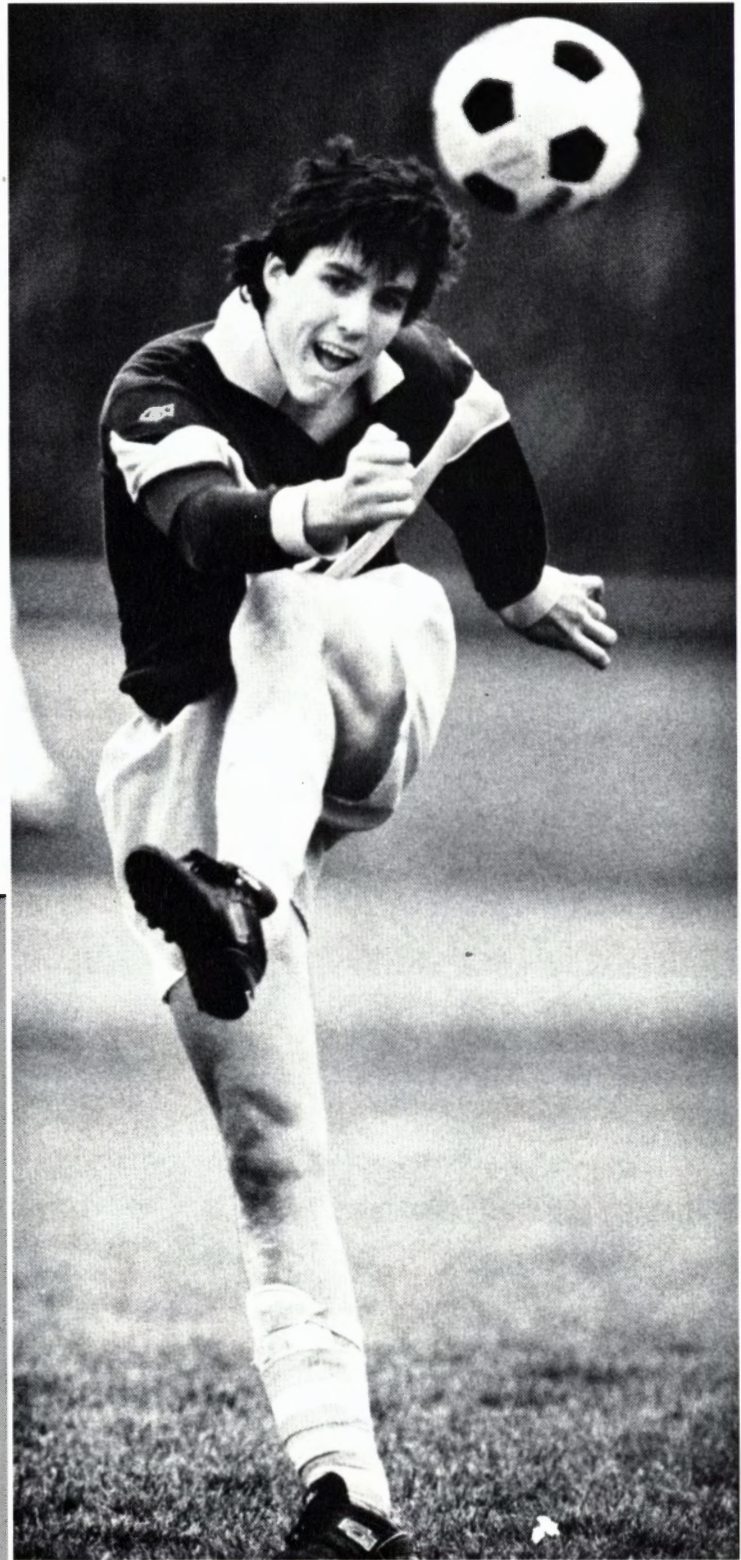
**AIR ATTACK.** Senior Chad Perleberg aggressively goes for the ball, even if it means running over an opponent to get it, in the home game against big rival East Lansing. The players were pumped as the open ball is in sight out of the goalie's reach. The fired up team took the game into overtime trying to attain a long desired goal of defeating East Lansing. The game ended with a score of 1-2.

**VARSITY SOCCER.** Top Row: D. Brunsting, S. Burns, B. Yarger, R. Saxton, G. Richards. Second Row: Coach J. Rojas, Coach H. Rojas, M. Schnepp, J. Fuller, B. Creameans, R. Heinrich, R. Cuda, J. Balariso, B. Anderson, C. Baker, Mgr. B. Chappel, Coach R. Greenwood. Third Row: G. Ribby, D. Stout, D. Greenwood, S. Hetrick, D. Evenson, T. Krouse. Bottom Row: Mgr. H. Evenson, J. Schram, D. Perrone, J. Lipp, C. Perleberg, J. Miller, Mgr. R. Foster.



**HIGH STEPPER.** Keeping his balance, senior Robert Saxton fires up and takes the shot that led the team into over-time against East Lansing.

Returning for his fourth year Robert took the award of Capital Area Conference Honorable Mention.



"The feeling of getting elected Most Valuable Player for the second year in a row by my teammates was a great honor."

--Senior Chad Perleberg

**the LAST word**

Varsity Soccer  
7 wins, 5 losses, 2 ties

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
Mt. Pleasant	1-0
Sexton	2-3, 1-1
Eastern	4-2, 1-0
Waverly	2-0, 0-3
Jackson	2-2, 2-1
East Lansing	0-6, 1-2
Everett	4-0, 2-1
Eaton Rapids	2-1
Grand Ledge	2-0, 1-0
Mason	1-1
Jackson CW	0-3
CAC	3rd



# NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH

## Varsity Ramblers Triumph While They

# BURN WITH INTENSITY

**TIGHT SQUEEZE.** Competing for control of the ball, freshman Tim Vandelin stops East Lansing's strong offensive attack by kicking the ball loose from an opponent. Holt's J.V. was held scoreless, losing 0-4.



Not even the strength of Mother Nature could hold down the intensity and fire of Rojas's Ramblers. The Soccer Team came out onto the field with 'guns a' blaz'n,' winning five of their first nine games; one of which was a tie against Jackson. Senior Dominic Perrone observed, "Teamwork was the major factor in our success. When we became one on the field, we were a strong force to reckon with."

The team continued to ramble on with a win over Eastern, however, midway through the season, the team fell short, losing to Waverly, and tying both Sexton and Mason. "Those games were more frustrating than disappointing. We went into overtime against Sexton and came out with a tie. Then, after we lost to Waverly, we tied the next game against Mason. But we never lost our in-

tensity and we played with pride," explained junior captain Jason Lipp.

As fire burned in their eyes, the team claimed their next victories over Jackson with a score of 2-1; avenging the tie they had suffered earlier in the season. "The rain was coming down pretty hard that day and the turf was really slick. I was chasing the ball and I was about to kick it when I slipped at mid field and slid all the way to the goal line. Our opponents stole the ball, but we got the victory," recalled senior exchange student Julian Gonzales.

The tide turned quickly as East Lansing handed the team their fifth loss of the season. "In the four years I have played soccer, not once did we beat East Lansing. But for the first time, we came real close. We had sent the game into overtime and we were

planning on playing a second one when the Trojans scored in the final seconds. We did not hang our heads, however, because this was the best game we had played all season," revealed senior Sean Burns.

With chins held high, the team finished the season with authority by completing seasonal sweeps with an overtime victory against Everett, and a shut out win over Grand Ledge. The team crushed Everett, 6-1 in Districts but was edged out by Waverly in the second round. All CAC honors were handed out to senior Chad Perlberg who received first team recognition and made the All Regional team as well. Second team honors were given to seniors Dominic Perrone and Sean Burns. Seniors Brent Yarger and Robert Saxton and junior Jason Lipp each earned honorable mentions.



**CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE.** Between two eager East Lansing players, senior Dominic Perrone steps in to attempt to stop the pass of two determined opponents in a home game against East Lansing, October 11.

**LISTENING CAREFULLY.** Team members concentrate on the advice given by Coach Rojas. Junior Jason Lipp keys in on the moves he must make as the goalie of the team to keep the shots from East Lansing opponents away.



# NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH

## Impressive Record Proves The Theory of

# AGE AND GRACE

Having a successful season was not the only thing the Girl's Tennis Team would share together. Except for one player, the Varsity team would receive their diplomas together. "As a senior, it felt great to know that we made the team what it is now. Our first year playing was so funny because none of us could hit the ball. Now look at us! We've accomplished a lot as a team!" reflected senior Kim Hannig.

An explosion of ten straight wins was claimed when the girls faced East Lansing, the only team that has held the CAC title. All the girls knew that meet would be the test. "The highlight of my season was when Jenny Loudon and I beat East Lansing at first doubles. At the time, I couldn't even believe it. It felt as though the whole team won since we all worked just as hard," recalled senior Kris Schuette. In reality,

the score was a 1-6 loss.

"Ability, determination and comradarie helped make our team successful. All of us realized that win or lose we were all in this together, and sweeping the SWAT Invitational helped us prove it!" exclaimed senior Jenny Loudon. A second place in the conference also brought pride to the team. "CAC's was the most memorable event for me. Everyone was really together there," revealed senior Jenny Westgate. From fourth singles on down to third doubles, the team placed second to East Lansing. A fifth place finish at second and third singles brought the team a second place title for the second year in a row. "Not only was I satisfied, I was proud of my team. They worked hard and they deserved the recognition they received," noted Coach Somers. "It was the success of the team that won me

the honor of all-area coach. The dedication and hard work of all involved made our season the success it was."

As the season closed with a 12-1 record, recognition came to Jenny Loudon and Kris Schuette who were chosen as an all area first doubles team. Coach Pat Somers earned the title of all-area coach. Jenny Westgate and Nikki Kingsley were named second team all-area at second doubles. An honorable mention came Renee Gamet and Dawn Esler's way at third doubles. Kris Schuette commented, "It was like a dream come true! Our hard work had finally paid off!" When the seniors go up to accept their diplomas, tennis will go down as one of their accomplishments. As for the remaining team, "It leaves me with some very big shoes to fill!" admitted sophomore Marni Wong.

**CONSTANTLY CLIMBING.** Not only did the tennis team climb to the top of the conference by taking second at CAC's, but they climbed fences too! On the last day of practice, the seniors decorated the courts in honor of their coaches. Seniors Kim Hannig and Renee Gamet try to hang signs on the outside of the courts.



### The LAST word

#### Girls' Varsity Tennis 12 wins, 1 loss

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
St. Johns	4-3
Williamston	6-1
Everett	6-1
Sexton	6-1
Eastern	5-2
Haslett	7-0
Grand Ledge	5-2
Jackson	4-3
Mason	6-1
Waverly	5-2
East Lansing	1-6
Pinckney	7-0
Dewitt	7-0
CAC	2nd

#### Girls' JV Tennis 9 wins, 3 losses, 1 tie

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
St. Johns	4-3
Williamston	4-3
Eastern	4-9
Haslett	4-3
Grand Ledge	5-2
Jackson	3-3
East Lansing	1-10
Mason	7-2
Waverly	4-2
East Lansing	2-18
Mason	5-2
Pinckney	9-1
Dewitt	9-2







**GOOD LUCK.** It was Senior night and Coach Somers was losing eleven of her players, so she gifted each senior with a single rose including senior Laura Dickenson. Laura was a captain and the second singles player. Laura greets her opponent with smiles before the match against Pickney which the team won 7-0.

**PIGGING OUT.** Relaxing before it is their turn to play are sophomore teammates and junior Stephanie Schneeberger. Eating, talking, and doing homework were common ways for the J.V. team to relax before the upcoming match.



#### **GIRLS' VARSITY TENNIS TEAM.**

Top Row: Coach P. Kressler, S. Johnson, K. Hannig, K. Schuette, J. Loudon, B. Gleason, Coach P. Somers. Bottom Row: W. Whitmore, T. Lennox, J. Westgate, N. Kingsley, L. Dickenson, D. Freye, R. Gamet, D. Esler.

#### **GIRLS' JV TENNIS TEAM.**

Top Row: J. Siebert, R. Pennock, C. Janes, Coach P. Kressler, L. Dart, C. Fillion, S. Whitmore, H. Reif. Bottom Row: M. Ketchum, K. Uhler, C. Goff, K. Nott.



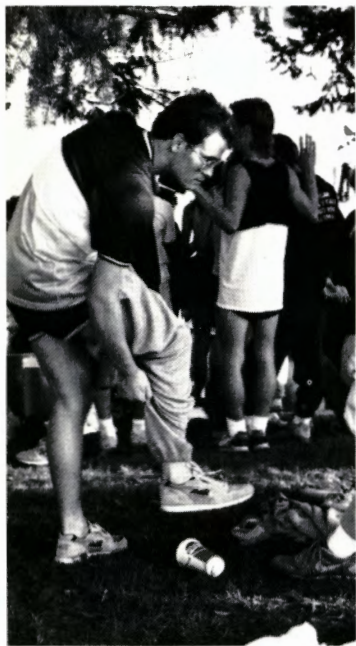
**A Quiet Moment.** Reading the signs and eating a tennis cookie made by the Varsity team is Coach Pat Somers. The team celebrated their last practice by decorating the courts with posters, balloons and streamers.

**Here It Comes!** Concentrating on her backhand is senior Trisha Lennox. Trisha was first singles for three years on the Varsity team. Her dedication paid off earning her the most demanding spot on the team.



**EAT MY DUST!** Sophomores Jim Workman and Scott Hadwin attempt to keep their lead on a Grand Ledge opponent. Jim and Scott were successful though the team took home a disappointing loss of 47-15.

**THE WRAP UP.** Senior Mark Dunn puts on his warm-ups after the Capital Area Conference meet held at the Waverly Golf Course. Mark and team finished eighth in the league.



**The LAST Word**

**Boys' Cross Country**  
2 wins, 5 losses

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
Jackson	36-19
Sexton	29-26
Eastern	27-29
East Lansing	41-20
Grand Ledge	47-15
Everett	27-29
Waverly	38-19

CAC 8th

**Girls' Cross Country**  
5 wins, 5 losses

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
Jackson	15-50
Sexton	15-50
Eastern	23-36
East Lansing	42-16
Alma	43-17
Mason	33-24
St. Johns	28-29
Grand Ledge	25-30
Everett	31-24
Waverly	28-27

CAC 4th





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## Striding Through A Season Of

# TORTURE AND THRILLS

A runner breaks out from the pack, controlling the pace, striding over the rough terrain. Through ankle deep puddles the runner never ceases to stop, driven by some unseen force. The finish line appeared and the pace quickened, every last bit of strength is consumed for the final charge. The Boys' and Girls' Cross Country Teams knew all too well what it took to survive a season full of torture and thrills.

The girls came out of the starts with heels kicking as they trotted over their opponents, winning three of their first five meets. Over half of the team consisted of four-year members and the seniors had high hopes that their last season would be their best one. "This year was very satisfying for me because after all these years of hard work, I was finally able to

reach my individual goals set by Coach Foy and myself," reflected senior Amy Lounds.

As the season progressed, however, the team faced more difficult opponents. The girls split the last four meets evenly as they beat non-conference St. Johns, 28-29, and ran past Grand Ledge, 25-30. "Our most exciting moment was the last race against Waverly, who had finished ahead of us in every invitational this year. We really wanted to win and we ran real strong, but the Warriors escaped with a one point victory. It was still very exciting since many of us received our best times," noted sophomore Jenny Leaf. The team finished the season by placing fourth in the CAC and added a member to the all-league team, senior Stephanie Woll.

The boys ran into difficult obstacles early in the season as they dropped their first two matches to Jackson and Sexton. Sophomore Scott Hadwin observed, "At the beginning of the season we were all overconfident, but we soon realized that we had to work harder and strive for long term goals."

Regrouping themselves, the team managed to beat Eastern, 27-29, and overcome the Everett Vikings, 27-29. "We helped each other keep going through the tough practices and disappointing meets, but we made practices fun and continued to work harder," revealed senior Reza Beha.

Both teams finished the season strongly and helped each other survive yet another year of cross country running.

### GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY TEAM.

Top Row: Coach Foy, A. Lounds, J. Jewett, J. Young, J. McNease, C. Goff. Bottom Row: M. Theissen, J. Leaf, C. Maki, K. Kepler.



### BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY TEAM.

Top Row: M. Dunn, E. Berg, R. Beha, J. Gondeck, Coach J. Gillett. Bottom Row: S. Newberry, R. Weibusch, S. Hadwin, J. Acker.



**PEP TALK.** Offering his words of wisdom to senior Stephanie Woll and freshman Monica Theissen at the CAC Meet is the Girls Cross Country Coach, Dave Foy. His advice was well taken as the team went on to place fourth in the league.

**OFF AND RUNNING.** The Girls Varsity Team begins its long 3.1 mile race against Waverly on a cold, windy day. Despite the freezing temperature, the team managed to achieve a 28-27 victory over its opponents.



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## After A Slow Start And Tough Opponents Golfers

# GAIN CONFIDENCE

As dawn approached, the sun released its brilliant light onto a whole new season of golf. Four returning lettermen strapped the heavy bags of clubs as well as ten other golfers onto their shoulders and led the team into another season of grueling practices and tough matches against strong opponents.

The team teed off the season with matches against two non-conference gladiators, St. Johns and Mason. The Redwings putted perfectly as they took the opener, 378-353, but the team regrouped and domesticated the Bulldogs with a score of 165-167.

However, as the season progressed, the sun began to fall and cast a long, dark shadow on the golfers as they dropped their next

six matches. "Things just went from bad to worse. Make a putt here, chip in a shot there and we could have won a couple of those matches during that stretch. But the little mistakes just began to add up into a gigantic one and we dropped a couple of close matches. Even though we were disappointed, we strove on," explained senior Brian Woods.

From the gloomy clouds the sun once again emerged and along with its sunshine, came the victory over the Waverly Warriors as well, 363-392. "That was a big match!" exclaimed senior Scott Holden. "We gained back some confidence and poise that we had lost earlier in the season."

In the end, the team pulled to-

gether and completed the seasonal sweep over Waverly with an effort of 303-333. Next, the golfers putted their way into the regionals where they chipped out of the bunker and placed eleventh out of seventeen other competitors.

Junior second team all conference Jeremy Gipe summarized, "We started out the year pretty slow and not very well. Then we regrouped and got better towards the end. We placed eleventh out of twenty-two other schools at the Marshall Invitational and as a team, became a lot closer."

As the sun fell on the horizon and closed out the day, so did the season end for the golfers as they placed their clubs in their bags and left the greens.

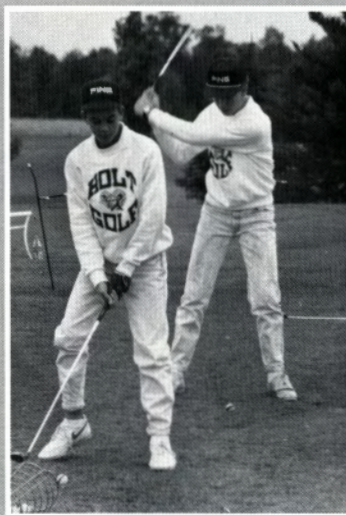
"We started out the year pretty slow and not very well. Then we regrouped and got better towards the end. We placed eleventh out of 22 other schools at the Marshall Invitational and as a team became a lot closer. We were always supportive and gave advice. Spirit for the team was great!"

--Junior Jeremy Gipe  
2nd Team All CAC

### The LAST Word

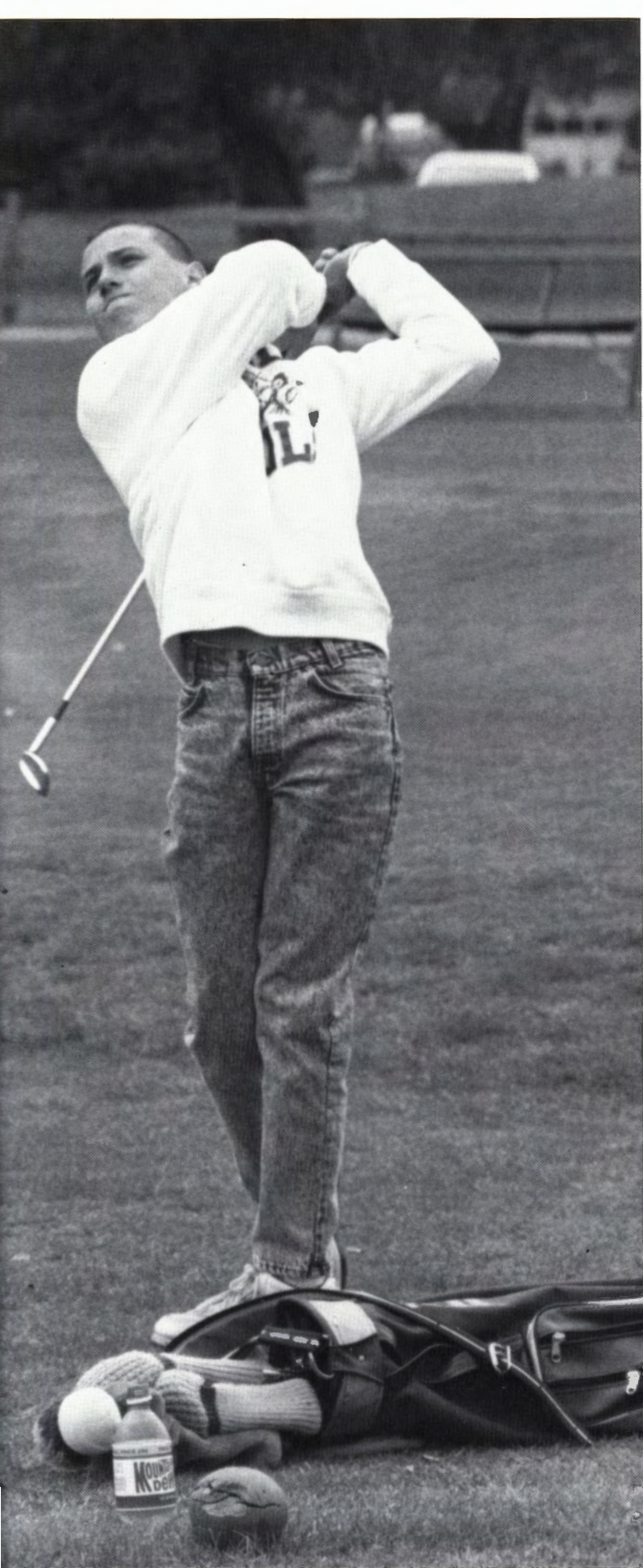
#### Boys' Golf 3 wins, 13 losses

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
St. Johns	378-353
Mason	165-167
East Lansing	355-317, 357-320
Sexton	355-321, 355-345
Eastern	340-334, 340-328
Jackson	340-333, 340-328
Everett	347-325, 352-349
Grand Ledge	363-310, 333-303
Waverly	363-392, 303-333
CAC	7th

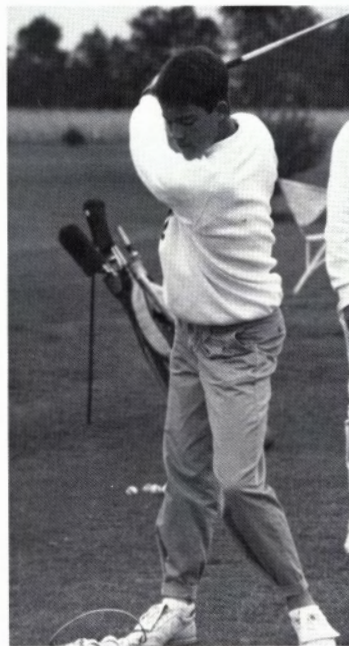


**TEAM PERFECTION:** Taking time to perfect their strokes, freshmen Jeff Gamet and Kevin Marker practice driving the ball toward the green, 250 yards away.





**PERFECT FORM:** Teeing off at El Dorado is senior Brian Woods as he warms up before his meet against the Everett Vikings.



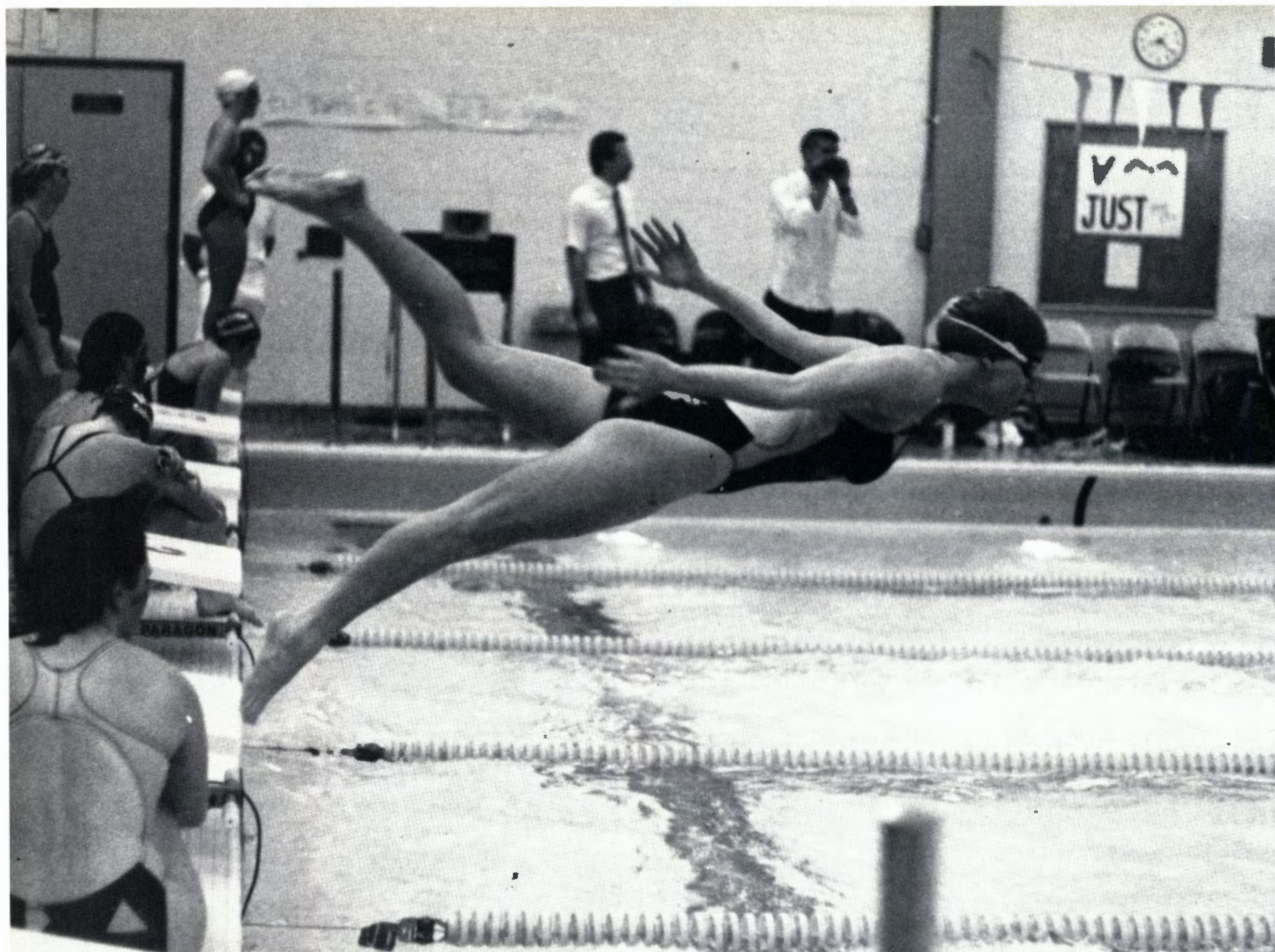
**OPENING SHOT:** Before teeing off on the first hole, junior Mark Milbourn takes time to listen to some last minute advice from coach Bill Dowell. Mark then shot par on the opening hole.



**GROUND STROKES:** Eyeing the green, junior Chad Baisel practices his swings before an Everett meet at El Deraldo Golf Course. Holt lost the meet, 347-325.

**BOYS' TENNIS TEAM.** Top Row: A. J. Smith, K. Marker, J. Schultz, J. Gipe, B. Woods, M. Milbourn, N. Carpenter, B. Dowell. Bottom Row: D. Mc Donald, C. Baisel, S. Peiffer, C. Clapp, J. Gamet, M. Anderson, S. Holden





"I think this year was great! We worked together as friends and as teammates and got a lot closer than we were last year. We were more than a team, we were a family. I'll definitely miss the seniors, they taught me a lot about discipline and hard work."

--Junior Andrea Willett

### The LAST Word

#### Girls' Swimming 4 wins, 3 losses

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
St. Johns	96-76
Eastern	61-103
Mason	89-82
Grand Ledge	104-60
Okemos	55-112
Waverly	74-98
Sexton	107-49
Jackson	98-69
East Lansing	80-92
Everett	100-67

CAC 4th



**GIRLS' SWIM TEAM.** Top Row: J. Clapp, S. Allman, J. Souza, C. Baker, P. Hunter, A. Becker. Middle Row: R. Wawro, A. Willett, N. Wright, L.

VanDyke, A. Bird, W. Huss, J. Gubry. Bottom Row: D. Sullivan, R. Weaver, K. Osborn, L. Block, H. Willison, S. Brower, Asst. Coach S. Donegan.



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Old Mottos And Friends  
Create A Season Of

## SPLISH SPLASH

**IT'S A BIRD, IT'S A PLANE!** No, it's senior Paige Hunter. Reaching for an extra second Paige takes off after the tag of senior Jennifer Clapp, during the St. Johns meet. Paige along with senior Jill Souza were the captians that led the team through a rewarding season.

**WAR PAINT.** Applying a thick coat of paint on senior Jennifer Clapp is senior teammate Paige Hunter. The additional spirit helped as the team won the season opener against St. Johns, 96-76.



Late summer's humid warmth marked the beginning of a season that would not conclude until the early snows of November. The swimmers had spent most of their time with each other, either in the pool or just 'hanging around.' "We worked together as friends and as teammates and got a lot closer than we were last year. We were more than a team, we were a family," revealed junior Andrea Willett.

Such closeness and good spirit made a successful season seem possible and when they defeated St. Johns in the opening meet, 96-76, it became reality.

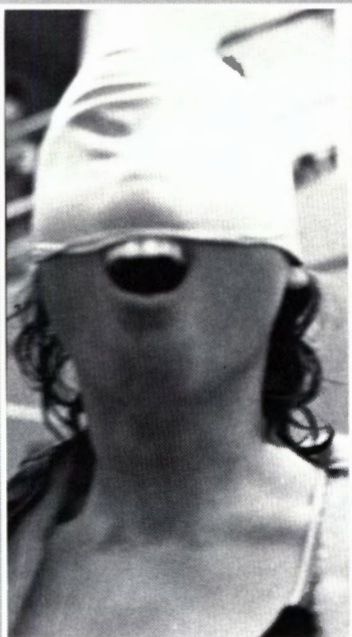
Throughout the season the girls continued their hard work and lived up to the rule 'no pain, no gain.' Although it was difficult

at times, the girls kept their mind on their races and proved themselves to be tough competitors. Assistant Coach Donegan expressed his feelings, "The East Lansing meet was probably our best and toughest meet of the season. The girls really came together, they were not intimidated by the Trojans and swam very well." Though the team lost the meet by a slim margin of eight points, they gained a lot of confidence.

Mid-way through the season the girls suffered a major setback as Head Coach, Brian Templin, became ill. Coach Donegan took over the remainder of the season for the swimmers, but the divers went to MSU to be instructed by one of the area coaches. Sopho-

more Rachel Wawro stated, "It was hard without Mr. Templin there, but we managed to pull together and help each other out."

The season highlight was breaking the 400 freestyle pool record by the relay team of Andrea Bird, Nikki Wright, Liz VanDyke and Dani Sullivan which qualified them for state. "The record breaking relay against Everett was definitely the highlight. Even though four girls swam in the event, it was a total team effort," stated Coach Donegan. The closing victory over Everett prepared the team for the CAC meet. The season was an array of ups and downs, yet, the girls kept their heads above water and their spirits high, finishing fourth in the CAC.



**A BREAK FROM REALITY.** Attempting to relieve the tension of the Waverly Relays, senior Suzanne Allman entertains her teammates. Throughout the season Suzanne made sure there was never a dull moment around the pool deck.

**GO! GO! GO!** Shouting last minute instructions to their swimmers are Coaches Brian Templin and Sean Donegan. Often during races the girls could expect to hear their coaches on the side lines cheering them on.



**A GLIMPSE OF THE PAST.** Competing against former teammates, sophomore Rachel Wawro completes a back dive. With outstanding scores, Rachel goes on to win the diving compition during the Holt-Sexton meet.



## Raising Funds And Spirit Promotes Crowd

# CHANTS AND CHEERS

Go! Fight! Win! With crowd motivating chants and cheers, the J.V. and Varsity cheerleaders showed their spirit. The squads started off the year with new moves and improved chants as a result of the summer camp they attended at Michigan State University. The cheerleaders sponsored several fun raisers in order to pay for their admission. Junior Misty Raatz explained, "The fund raisers were definitely a big help. Without them, it may have been nearly impossible to send 12 people at \$190 each to camp." The squads placed second in all around competition and in all around competition. "We went to M.S.U., had a lot of fun, and

mainly learned to be a team," stated sophomore Shelly Wulff.

Cheerleaders were the boosters of school spirit for fans and players. During the season, the squads developed new spirit building projects that kept anticipation high. Junior Michelle Kilian stated, "Every Friday the cheerleaders did little things for the players. One that stood out as a favorite, was when we filled bags with candy and gave them to the players." Both squads did this for their respective teams. The Varsity Cheerleaders often made hoops for the team to run through as they entered the field. In addition, the J.V. squad baked cookies and had get togethers with the

players.

Besides the goal of spirit-raising, both squads worked to create a positive image for cheerleading. Sophomore Kathy Olin noted, "We worked hard to show everyone, particularly students, that we are here for one reason--to raise school spirit!"

Whether it was pumping up the crowds or supporting the teams, the J.V. and Varsity squads cheered the school through another season. Sophomore Liz Sawyer revealed, "I feel that the school needs a tremendous amount of spirit in order to promote the teams. Being a cheerleader gives me a chance to take part in expanding that spirit."



**TWO FOR SPIRIT.** Promoting crowd spirit Homecoming night are sophomores Shelly Wulff and Traci Johnston of the JV squad, the Varsity and JV squads traditionally join together in cheering on the team at the Homecoming Game.



**PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT.** the Varsity Cheerleaders perfect their chants during an afterschool practice in the cafeteria. The squad put in hours of dedicated practice in the name of spirit.





**SOARING WITH SPIRIT.** Pumping up the crowd with Go, Fight, Win during a Spirit Week pep assembly are the JV and Varsity Cheerleaders. The

squads motivated the students for the night's game against Waverly which resulted in a spirited Homecoming victory.

**H COATS.** Revving up the crowds at the Homecoming Game October 20 are the Varsity Cheerleaders. The display of spirit pulled the players through a victory over Waverly with a shut-out score of 21-7.

**JV CHEERLEADERS.** Top Row: M. Moore, Coach L. Martinson, T. Johnston, S. Wulff. Bottom Row: H. Norris, C. Burtovoy, E. Hake, S. Grant.

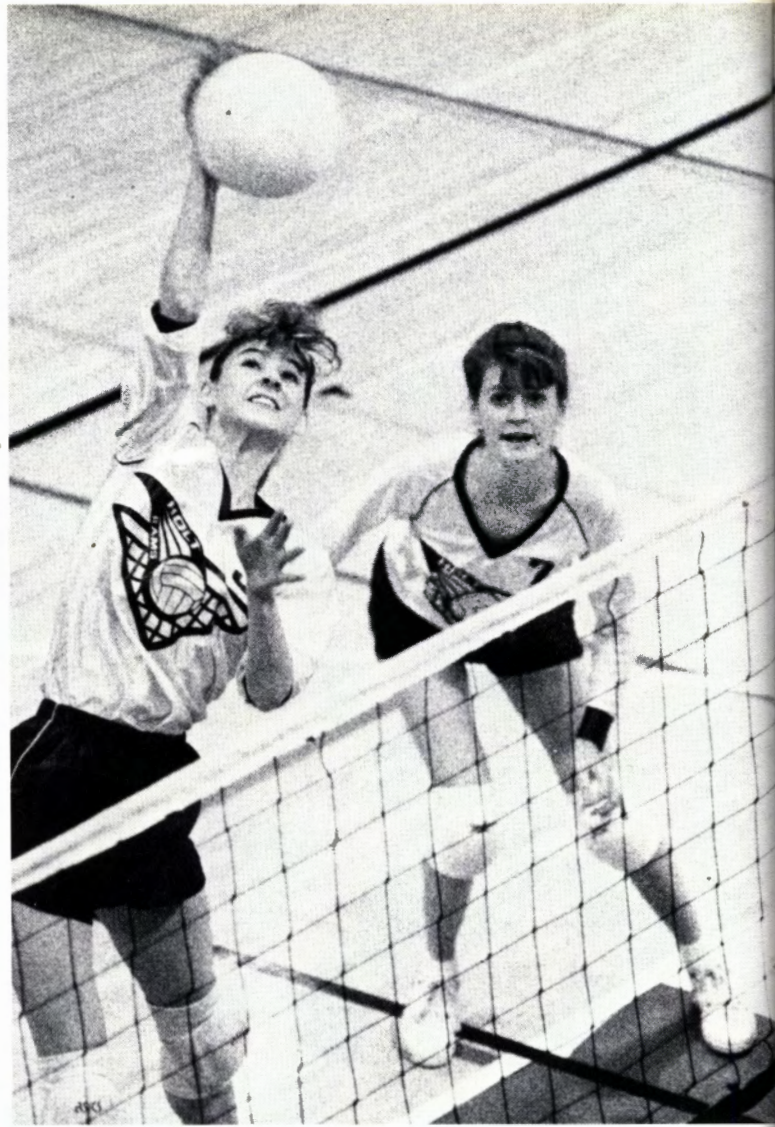


**VARSITY CHEERLEADERS.** Top Row: M. Killian, Coach, A. Abdo. Row Two: K. Fox, A. Duling, G. Utter.

Bottom Row: M. Raatz, A. Verleger, K. Olin.



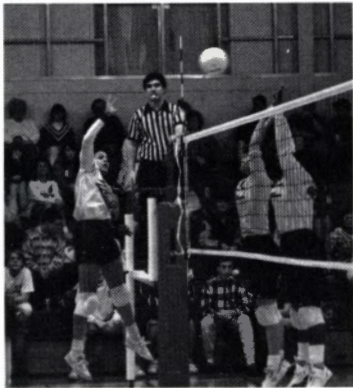
**BALL KILL.** On the road against Grand Ledge, senior Nancy Pike kills the ball over a comet opponent to win "side-out" as sophomore Maggie Taylor stands ready to assist in the eventual loss against Grand Ledge.



**TEAM EFFORT.** Extending their arms are sophomore teammates Robyn Bruining and Maggie Taylor as they gang up to block a warrior spike in the second game. The Rams won their third match at home against Waverly.



**UNTOUCHED!** A home game against East Lansing turned out to be close with the help of senior Kim Belcher as she spikes the ball and is untouched by the Trojan blockers. With a disappointing score of 12-15, the team lost the match.



"We were really unsure at first how our team would get along having two sophomores on it. But, they looked up for help and support from the upperclassmen and that pulled the team together. At the end we were pretty sure of ourselves."

--Senior Stacie Clark

### The **LAST** Word

**Varsity Volleyball**  
6 wins, 8 losses

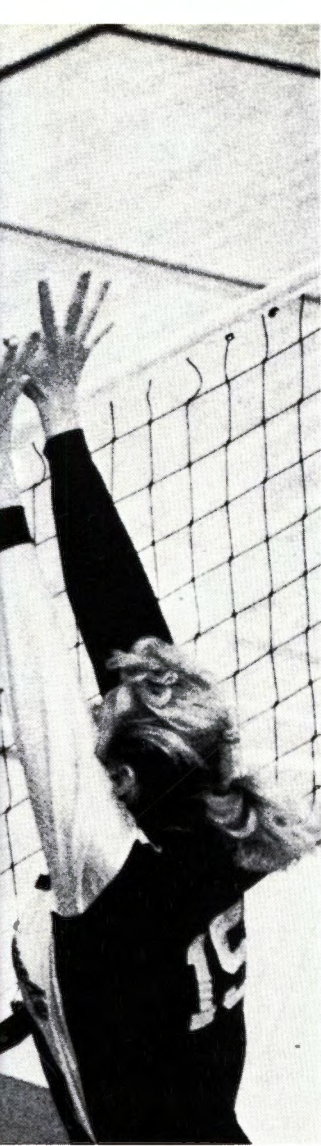
Opponent	Holt/Opp.
Eastern	13-15, 2-15
	16-14, 15-8, 13-15
Waverly	12-15, 6-15
	8-15, 15-12, 15-13
Jackson	4-15, 15-13, 15-12
	15-12, 15-7
Everett	2-15, 13-15
	6-15, 7-15
Grand Ledge	11-15, 5-15
	3-15, 9-15
Sexton	15-3, 15-11
	15-6, 9-15, 15-9
CAC	6th



**VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM.**  
Bottom Row: S. Richter, R. Bruning, Row 2: K. McPhall, S. Pentecost, N. Pike, S. Stone, Top Row:

Coach P. Badders, S. Clark, K. Belcher, K. Defoe, M. Taylor, L. Newberry, Manager A. Layman





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## Homecourt Advantage And Team Unity Leads To

# SPIKING SUCCESS

Ten yards was all that separated the girls from the promised land. When the team left the locker room and took the court under the soft, faint lights of the gym, the crowd responded with screams of support giving the girls full homecourt advantage.

"My father was at almost all of my games, being one of the loudest spectators and giving me full support along with the other team members," explained sophomore Robyn Bruining. Senior Kris Dafoe added, "My sister was at almost all the games, too. She gave our team so much support and was always keeping us from getting down. She was a big part of our crowd support.

With fans cheering, the team

took on Sexton and Jackson with a perfect sweep, beating them both home and away.

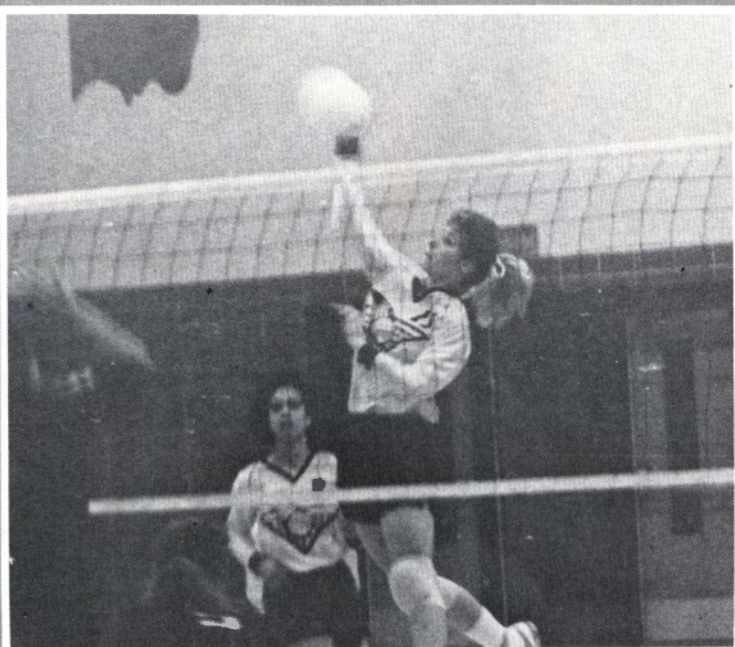
Sophomore Maggie Taylor recalled, "It was great to beat Jackson twice in the same season, but I wish we had not lost to them in the districts." Senior Nancy Pike revealed, "It was difficult and a little disappointing when we lost one game of the match at Sexton, but we did not let that get us down. We played like a team and won the second match."

The special ingredient for such success was team unity. United, they could do just about anything. "We were really unsure how our team would get along, having two sophomore members, but they looked up for

help and support from the upperclassmen and that pulled the team together. At the end we were pretty sure of ourselves," revealed senior Stacie Clark. Junior Kari McPhall summarized, "Working together as a team helped us pick up the wins we fought hard for."

Though the team started off a little slow, the crowd support, team unity, and homecourt advantage helped pull the team together and allowed them to win four of the last six games, three of which were played at home.

As the team headed into the locker room after winning the last home game, the lights faded and the nets were put away, to be stored for another year.



**ABOVE ALL.** Defying gravity is senior Kris Dafoe as she unleashed a powerful spike untouched into the Eastern defense. Crowd support and team intensity led Holt over the Quakers for a victory at home.

**A MOMENT OF SILENCE:** Patiently waiting to hear a few helpful points from coach Pam Badders is the Varsity team ready to defeat their opponents.



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## Cager's Jungle Safari Unleashes a Season of

# RAGE AND FURY

Out from the vicious jungle of basketball fever came thirteen visions of rage and fury. The Varsity cagers had six lettermen returning and with them, high hopes for a successful year.

Before the season began, the team had already been snake-bitten. Senior starters Tony Iribarren and Jeff Wright were lost to injuries during preseason play and the team opened the season with four straight losses.

"Those injuries really hurt us. We lost our two starting guards and our first four opponents we faced were ranked in the state," explained senior Jeremy Baragar.

As the season progressed, time seemed to heal all wounds as the cagers went on a rampage win-

ning seven straight games, a feat that has not happened since 1974. "Winning seven straight games was definitely the highlight of our season! It proved to our fans that we were for real and that we could play well under pressure," exclaimed senior Brian Fournier.

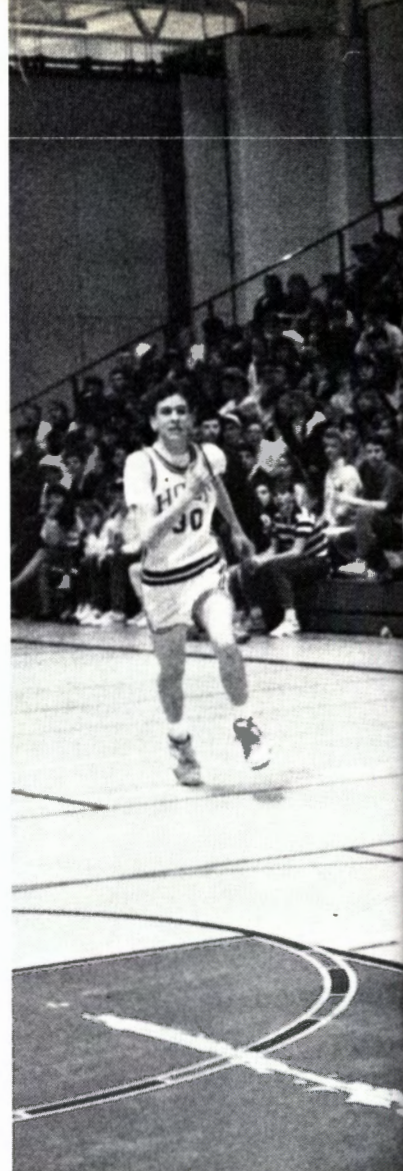
The cagers had captured four conference wins and trounced two non-conference teams defeating St. Johns, 85-73, and Eaton Rapids, 67-60. Midway through the year, a new edition was added to the safari, freshmen Jason Black. The underclassman brought new life to the team as they closed out the regular season winning three of their last five games with tremendous sweeps over conference rivals, Jackson,

Everett, and Grand Ledge.

"At the beginning of the year we were a little inconsistent, but as the season went on we got into the flow of things and made some drastic improvements in our play," summarized coach Bruce Larnar.

Senior Jeremy Baragar, who finished second in all time leading scorer at Holt behind Jeff Tropsf, was also an unanimous all CAC pick. Senior teammates Jeremy Kienitz, Brian Fournier, and Tony Iribarren were also selected as honorable mentions.

As the sun fell on the jungle and the final hunt ended, thirteen shadows of heart and pride faded into the stillness of the night.



**UNTOUCHABLE.** Streaking past senior guard Tony Iribarren as senior Brian Fournier (20) rotates to the open area, Holt ran past the Comets scoring 37 second half points for a 72-55 victory.

**TEAM INTENSITY.** As the buzzer sounds, signaling the beginning of the second half, Head Coach Bruce Larnar leads his team into third quarter action against the Okemos Chietans. The tribe took the Rams, 68-61.







**EASY ACCESS.** Converting a Grand Ledge turnover into an easy lay up is senior Brian Fournier as senior teammate Jeff Wright adds extra support. Fournier's consistent defensive pressure allowed him 21 steals for the season.

**SKYWALKER.** High above the outstretched hand of Grand Ledge's Adam Brandt is senior Jeremy Baragar as his shot drops from the rafters into the net. Holt outscored Grand Ledge 72-55 on the home court.



**BOY'S VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM.** Top Row; Asst. Coach D. Ryckman, J. Lipp, C. Clark, J. Kienitz, J. Baragar, J. Wright, D. Crater, Mgr. C. Riebow.

**Bottom Row:** Mgr. D. Shimnoski, M. Taylor, M. VanFossen, B. Houser, T. Iribarren, R. Chingman, D. Thielen, B. Fournier, Mgr. A. Hinds, Coach Bruce Lerner.

## The LAST word

### Boys' Varsity Basketball 11 wins, 11 losses

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
Charlotte	79-99
Sexton	67-73, 67-77
Eastern	52-81, 51-59
Waverly	62-83, 55-68
St. Johns	85-73
Jackson	59-58, 55-46
East Lansing	72-71, 68-72
Everett	59-44, 62-54
Eaton Rapids	67-60
Grand Ledge	50-45, 72-55
Mason	75-66
Okemos	61-68
L.C.C.	70-80
Jackson	64-46
CAC	4th

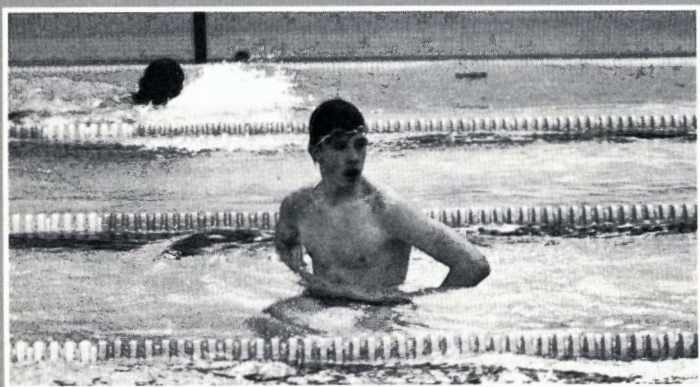
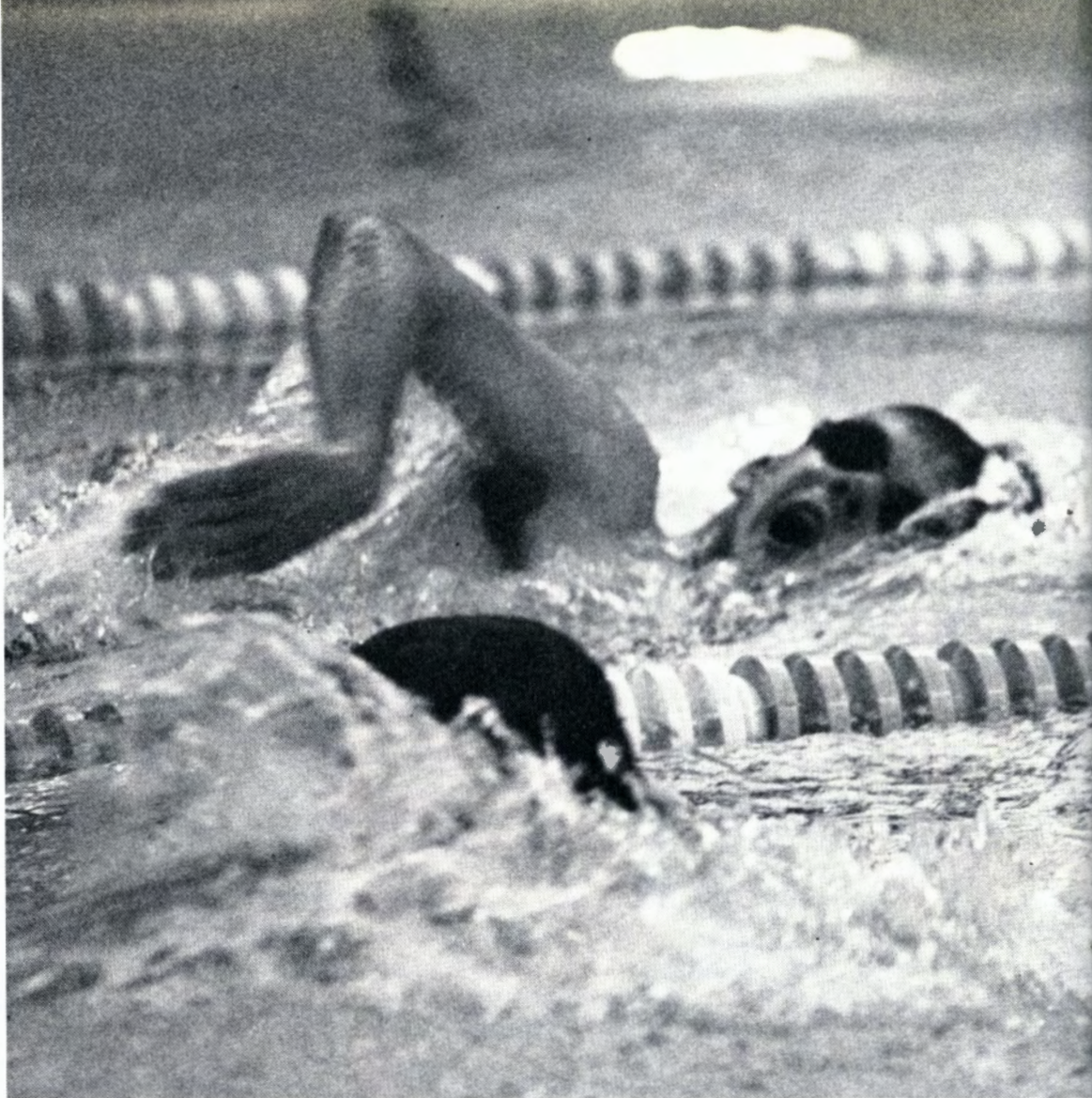
"It's going to be tough not being able to lace up my high tops for another high school ball game. However, I will always remember the moments I had on the court and the sound of the net swishing as the ball goes in."

--Senior Jeff Wright



**SPLISH SPLASH.** On the last leg of the 200 I.M., Brian Anderson completes his race a full lap ahead of the competition.

**PIKE IN MID-AIR.** Finishing a one and a half pike, freshman Jered Wilkins is suspended in mid air in the pike position. Jered won the diving competition for that meet.



**A RACE WELL DONE.** After completing the 500 free style against Everett, sophomore Jason Pohlonski catches his breath. The team swept the meet with a score of 95-77.

**LATHER UP!** The traditional shaving prior to the CAC meet is performed by sophomore Grant Pennel at pool-side. Not only body shaving, but head shaving is carried out by the team each year.





# NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH

## Building Confidence And Team Spirit

# PAYS OFF

It began in mid November, with not much more than a splash, and ended with a tidal wave of spirit at the end of the season. The Boys' Varsity Swim Team had suffered from a lack of confidence in the beginning that led to slow times, and low spirits, but by the end of the season a turn around had occurred.

An opening loss to Mason, 53-118, was a grim start, but the team dug in and was determined to avoid another loss. Senior Steve Pfeifer stated, "At the beginning of the season things didn't go well, but the spirit was there." Competing in a meet with Waverly the spirit carried them to a 97-74 victory. The team felt a sudden weight lifted, and began to enjoy the season a little more. The victory was well-timed to ease the start of early morning practices. Individual and team improve-

ment was the goal. Sophomore Tony Cruz revealed, "The blank area on my Varsity coat is what motivated me to go to the morning practices."

Besides individual and team improvement the season held memorable highlights. Senior Chip Cleaver remembered, "During Christmas Break we spent a lot of time together in and out of practice. It was definitely a time to remember." The coaches also helped create a memorable season. Exchange student Luis Leme recalled, "I will always remember the support and guidance my coaches gave me while tackling a new culture and swim team. The memories I will take back to Brazil are of my relationship with the coaches. The tips that they gave me about swimming will be with me for a life time."

At the end of the season the

team was feeling pretty confident about their times. At the last dual meet, against Everett, the boys' pulled together for a sweeping, 95-77 victory over their arch rivals. Sophomore Jason Pohlonski stated, "I think beating Everett was a must. They came in with cocky attitudes thinking they were going to win. Also, my dad is their coach so I had to beat his swimmers."

Spirit was high with anticipation of a good meet as the team prepared for CAC's. Practices included an intense taper, to relax their muscles, and the ritual shaving of the heads. Their efforts paid off with a fourth place standing. Senior Chip Cleaver stated, "Over all I think the season went well. There were ups and downs, like always, but over all it was a good season."



**BOYS' SWIM TEAM.** Top Row: Coach B. Templin, D. Webster, G. Forbs, E. Brooks, C. Bailey, E. Berg, Coach D. Shipman. Middle Row: C. Cleaver, B. Anderson, A. Cruz, K. Hultberg, G. Pennell. Bottom Row: L. Leme, C. Baisel, N. Rashid, J. Wilkens, S. Pfeifer, J. Pohlonski.

### The LAST word

**Boys' Swimming**  
4 wins, 7 losses

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
Mason	53-118
Marshall	98-74
Eastern	77-95
Okemos	82-90
Waverly	97-74
Sexton	72-100
St. Johns	64-108
Jackson	84-85
East Lansing	77-95
Everett	95-77
Grand Ledge	102-65
<b>CAC</b>	<b>4th</b>

"At the beginning of the year, people weren't really motivated to work hard as a team. Then some people got better times and the team started to come together and support each other towards the final goal of doing well at the CAC meet."

--Sophomore Jason Pohlonski



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## Quitters Don't Exist In JV's World Of Performance

# UNDER PRESSURE

3...2...1...BUZZ! Energy charged the air as anticipation hung on the final play. The ball was in and the points blinked on the scoreboard. The money round paid off as the team triumphed once again. The JV Basketball and Volleyball teams left the courts with pride knowing that they never gave up.

The skills of physical defense and repetitive freethrows were practiced and perfected. The improvements led the J.V. Basketball team to three wins, showing they had potential. "We started at a disappointing 3-2. We knew we were a better team and wanted to be special, so we worked harder and did not give up," revealed sophomore Mike Lindberg.

The J.V.'s momentum gathered as they won a grueling game against Jackson, leaving the court scorched with memories. Sophomore Scott Hadwin recalled, "We trailed Jackson by two with less than fifteen seconds left. We

brought up the ball and Jason Meister made the shot to tie, but got fouled in the process. Under pressure, he sunk the freethrow and we won by one!"

The middle winning streak was broken by two losses against East Lansing and Sexton. The team then focused on the challenge of defeating East Lansing. Sophomore Ross Phillips remembered, "The highlight of the season was when we beat the Trojans. We never should have lost that first game by a last second shot, but the next time we were definitely ready! Ending the season with a 10-4 CAC record, the cagers proved they remained on the winning track.

Moving to spikes and serves, the J.V. Volleyball team netted a 6-8 overall record. The season was one fraught with ups and downs, but through it all, they never lost confidence. Starting with a six-game losing streak and

two wins, the team never got discouraged. Sophomore Apryl Berg noted, "After a bad game, everyone seemed really down. But my love for volleyball taught me you have to keep giving to win the next game."

The team was psyched up and ready to take a win in their next duel with the Trojans. "In the second game, we put our powerful serves and slamming spikes together. With more team unity, we beat them in two games," noted sophomore Tammi Wardwell. Through a doubt-filled second half, the girls strived to keep their intensity, against Eastern, Jackson, and Sexton. Sophomore Marni Wong summarized, "Winning isn't everything. Our team wasn't getting along at first and we kept on trying to get it together. In the end, we became much better at motivating one another. That's what I call winning!"

### The LAST Word

#### Boys' JV Basketball 15 wins, 5 losses

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
Charlotte	70-64
Sexton	71-63, 61-72
Eastern	79-57, 81-76
Waverly	50-52, 69-46
St. Johns	68-81
Jackson	69-68, 56-50
East Lansing	58-61, 69-61
Everett	57-54, 56-75
Eaton Rapids	70-28
Grand Ledge	56-50, 60-55
Mason	65-44
Okemos	60-50
L.C.C.	59-53

#### Girls JV Volleyball 12 wins, 15 losses

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
Eastern	10-15, 9-15
Waverly	2-15, 8-15
Jackson	14-16, 15-8, 16-14
Everett	3-15, 15-7, 15-9
East Lansing	8-15, 6-15
Everett	10-15, 16-14, 14-16
East Lansing	15-9, 15-10
Sexton	15-3, 17-15
Grand Ledge	2-15, 4-15
Eastern	10-15, 16-14, 16-14
Waverly	5-15, 8-15
Grand Ledge	15-12, 6-15, 8-15
Jackson	15-7, 15-8
Sexton	15-5, 8-15, 10-15



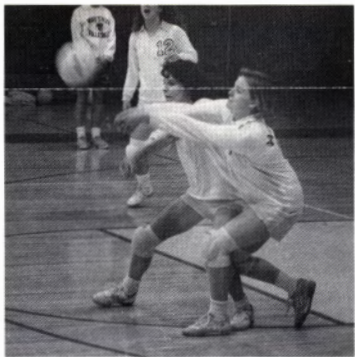
**GIRLS' JV VOLLEYBALL TEAM.**  
Top Row: S. Cramer, K. Vantil, T. Hoekwater, K. Burns, T. Wardwell, K. Viele, Coach R. Bussye.. Middle Row: R. Wawro, S. Morehouse, M. Wong, R. Pennock. Bottom Row: A. Berg, K. Williams.







**HIGH HOOPS-**Defeating the force of gravity, is 5'8" sophomore Scott Hadwin, lunging for the not-so-easy 2 points. The final game against Grand Ledge was a promising one as Holt won 60-55.



**IT TAKES TWO.** Making sure the ball gets bumped are sophomores Apryl Berg and Rachel Wawro, while sophomore Krista Burns cheers her teammates on. The JV team ended with a dissappointing loss to Waverly.

**JUST SPIKE IT.** With intense concentration, sophomore Stacia Cramer goes up for the spike against Lansing Catholic Central. The team won in three games with close scores of 10-15, 16-14 and 16-14.



**BOYS' JV BASKETBALL TEAM**  
**Top Row:** Coach I. Klauka, A. Hughes, R. Phillips, J. Linebaugh, M. Lindberg, J. Meister, J. McDaniel, J. Gondeck, J. Black, Coach Foy  
**Bottom Row:** Manager M. Smith, N. Pilon, S. Hadwin, R. Zitka, J. Hunter, T. Hayes, T. Schafer, Manager S. Boyd.



**PERFECT FORM.** Junior Chris Knapp makes an unorthodox jump shot from an open position on court to increase his team's lead by two points. Success on the court led Chris and DaFellas to the championship playoff.



**INTENSE.** Junior Matt Warncke colides with Brew Crew senior Jason Dillingham for control of the ball, as Jason challenges a smooth shot. Teammates John Verlinde and Bart Brinkerhuff look to assist.



**"There is no other way to express the thrill of playing Intramural Basketball than this: IM Basketball--It's FANTASTIC."**

*--Junior Chris Knapp  
IM Basketball Player*

**The LAST word**

**Intramural Basketball  
Top Three Team Rankings**

- #1 POP A SHOT
- #2 DAFELLAS
- #3 BLACK AND BLUE CREW

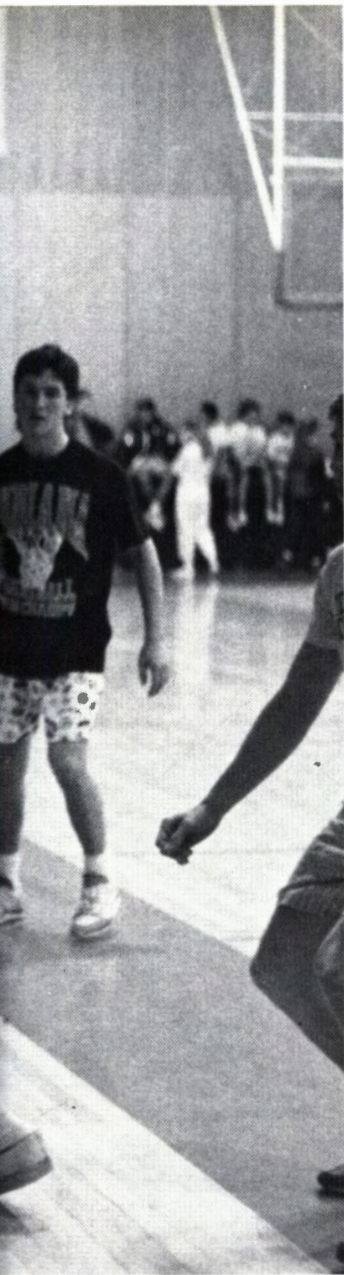




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## Talk Up A Team That's

# ALL FOR THE SHOW



Emerging from the shadows of varsity sports, came seven teams with high hopes of accomplishing the ultimate goal--winning the Intramural championship. Through five weeks of body torture, missed lay-ups, and two game cancellations, the 'will to thrill' was always there. "We were just out there to show off our stuff and have a good time," explained junior Jason Nelson. Senior Dale Streeter added, "You get to play your own game, keep in shape, and don't have to worry about a coach breathing down your neck. Besides it's fun, to talk up your team and boast how bad you will beat another team. It's this kind of talk that creates rivals and some competition."

Team rosters included football and wrestling enthusiasts, body builders, and those out for a good time. "It was great to play some ball with friends and throw up

shots all over the court and watch them miraculously go in," stated senior Chris Baldwin. However, not all games were spectacular. "There were times when things got a little tense and body's were being bounced around, but nothing major happened. It was a sign of the competitiveness among teams, and their will to win at all costs," explained senior official Chris Clark.

Pop-A-Shot completely dominated the season, winning every game by an average of thirty points. "They had the chemistry for the running game. When one got tired, they had a substitute that could pick up where the other left off. It was a real battle playing them," stated sophomore Jason Delaney. March madness brought an end to all the excitement as Pop-a-Shot beat Da Fella's in the championship game. "We had worked hard all

season to win this one. The strange thing about it was that the team that gave us the most trouble, the Black and Blue Crew, ended up finishing third," revealed senior Joe Schultz. Noting another twist of fate Junior Chris Knapp observed, "We loved the season. It was nearly as awesome as being at a Piston's title tournament. We played hard, but were smart enough to get out of the way when a 250 pound opponent came at you to make a shot. We never imagined that he would actually make it, but as a tactic, we would move aside, let him shoot, and then watch him tumble into the bleachers. IM basketball games ran like this right down to the finish. Even the irony existed when the team, Dead Last finished dead last." Magnificent moves and ironic twists created the fun and fascinating world of IM Basketball.

**TEAM WORK.** Using his teammates screen, junior Chad Fuller releases his jump shot as senior Darin Leaf prepares to rebound.

**GO FOR IT.** High above the stretched arm of junior Chris Knapp is junior Jason Nelson as he releases the ball for a Pop A Shot score.



**UP FOR THE SHOT.** Shooting over junior Jeremy Norris is senior Joe Schultz of Pop A Shot. Kory Foote,

Jim Lopez and Chris Knapp wait for the rebound.





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## CAC Title and District Championship

# UPHOLD TRADITION

Almost a quarter century of winning and the Wrestling Team was still going strong with its 23rd winning season. Senior Stan Granger noted, "As Capital Area Conference champions we have shown the school time and time again, the dedication, ambition, talent, and love for wrestling that the team possesses."

The team proved themselves with a CAC title and a season record of 7-0, while an overall record of 12-1 gave them an eighth place state ranking. This was the first solo League championship since 1979-80, and the third in Holt's history.

The season got off to a sweeping start with a 59-6 win over Portage. Winning was in the air as the grapplers took a 62-6 win over Grand Ledger, and a 35-29 victory over Sexton. This climb continued through districts and finished at regionals with a win over Charlotte of 36-24.

League awards were scored at the individual level as Tim Hughs, Stan Granger and Charles McDowell earned first place spots, Trevor Wilcox, Jason Mills, Robert Dunham and Kevin Lane earned second places, Rick Dubay, Scott Trimmer and Pat Schutte placed third, and Shannon Kanouse and Jon Peirce placed fourth. Senior Stan Granger again reflected, "I feel that our team did very well, even better than expected. We had a lot of talent this year and were very dedicated. We all got along and had a lot of laughs over the many practical jokes we staged on our journey to success."

The season had a number of highlights. Senior Scott Shassburger recalled, "The most memorable part of my shortend season was our first tournament. I was about to go out on the mat and I told Assistant Coach, Jerry Trainer, that I would be back in 25

seconds, and I ended up pinning the kid in 27 seconds. The next match I said I would be back in 35 seconds and I pinned the opponent in 34 seconds. There's nothing like calling your own shots and backing it up with action!" Junior John Pierce added, "I wrestled in the 189 weight class and that was interesting! You wouldn't believe how some guys in this weight division can totally cover you with their flesh on the mat. You seen only after the match has ended. Though this is somewhat of an exaggeration, I felt that way at the time I was wrestling them."

At the close of the season, the teamwork that was present was recognized. Sophomore Jon Rectenwaldt commented, "I'll miss the people who taught me how to wrestle well, especially the seniors. We would have never gotten a 14-4 JV record without their help."

**"The Wrestling Team really worked hard this year. Individually, as well as a team, everyone got a long and helped each other out. We worked hard to fill the weak spots and we succeeded by ending up with the solo CAC Championship. It was the best year I have seen, not just in my career, but in a long time. It was awesome!"**

**--Senior Scott Shassburger  
Varsity Wrestling Team**

### The LAST word

**Varsity Wrestling**  
12 wins, 1 loss

Opponent	Holt/Opp.
Portage Northern	59-6
Bridgeport	59-17
Holly	52-15
Jackson	64-12
Sexton	35-29
Grand Ledger	62-6
East Lansing	40-25
Eastern	49-12
Waverly	59-9
Everett	52-15

CAC	1st
Districts	1st
State	8th



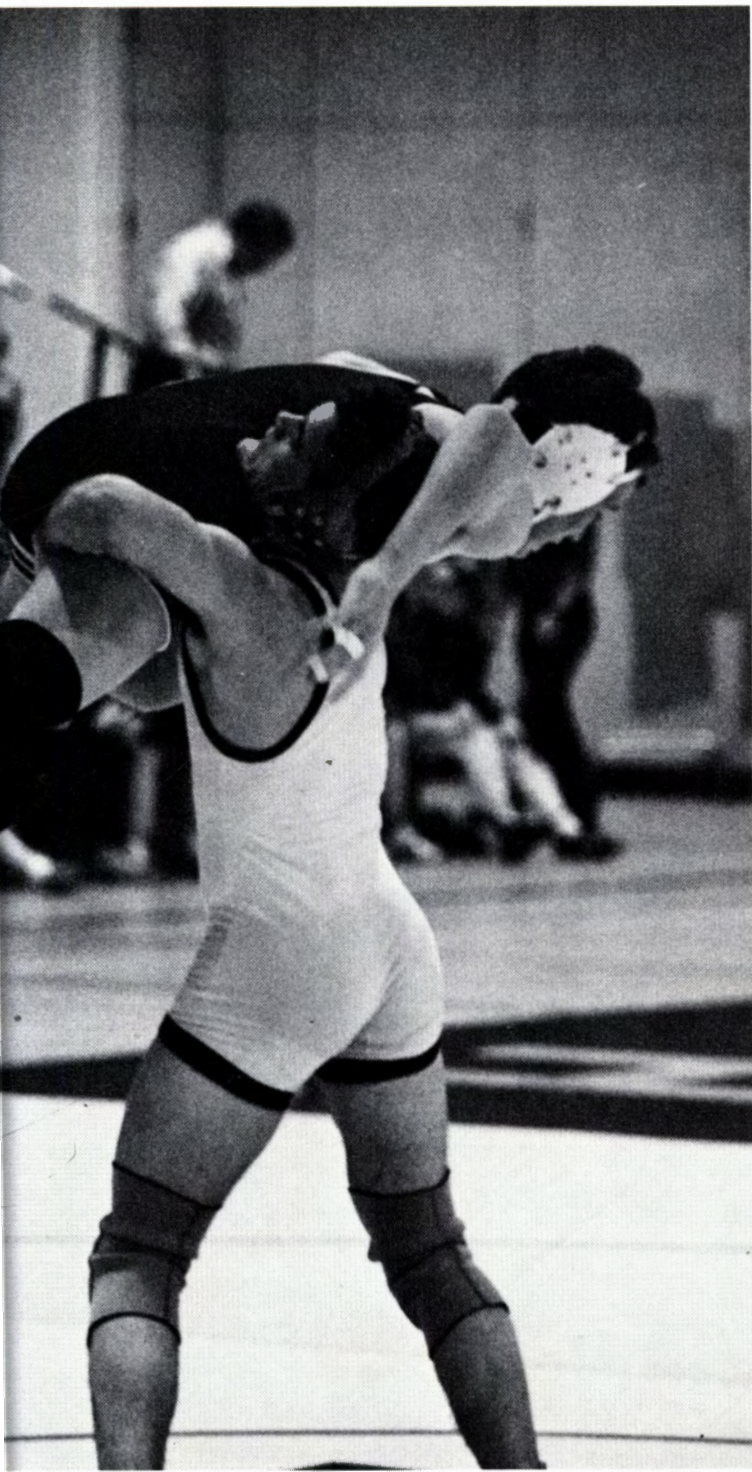
**PROUD HANDSHAKE.** Coach Rocky Shaft congratulates senior Charles McDowell and presents him with a certificate for placing First Team All-CAC

**OVERPOWERING MOVE.** Putting a power move on his opponent is freshman Orie Lang. His effort contributed to the team upholding a 23 year winning tradition and taking first place in the Capital Area Conference. The team then went on to place first in Districts and eighth in the State.

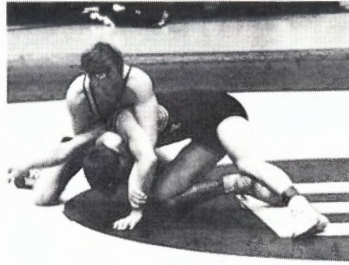
at the conference meet. Charlie noted, "I felt a sense of accomplishment and honor when I received the award. It was a great season!"





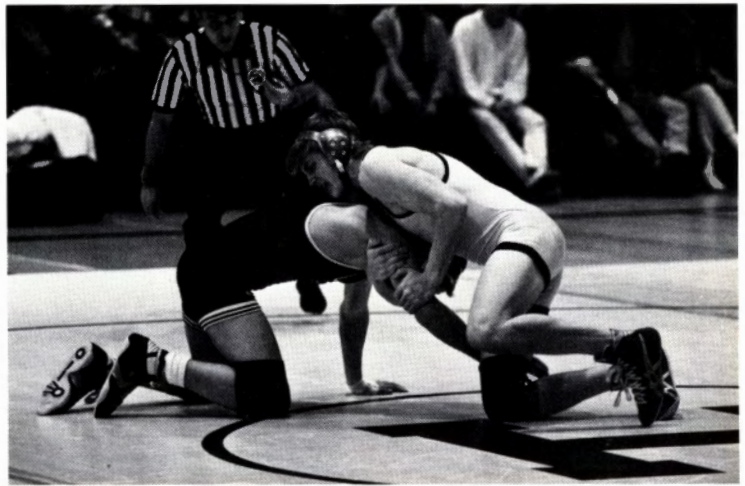


**BIG MOVE.** Executing a dominating lift is senior Stan Granger at the District match. Stan remembered, "It was a close meet so I did the best I could with a lift of desperation to put him in check and get the points that were vital to winning." The team went on to place first in the meet.



**LOCKING THE VICE.** Giving it his all to lock the vice hold is senior Rick Dubay at the District meet. Rick noted, "I have through time picked up an instinct and love for wrestling and when I'm on the mat, losing never crosses my mind." Rick went on to place third in the League at the end of the season.

**STRONG AMBITION.** Taking his opponent down for the pin is junior Robert Dunham at the District meet. Rick recalled the moment as he explained, "The man had the strength to make it through the match, so I knew I had to put him away soon. I ended up pinning him in the first period and let him know by telling him he was going to lose." Robert went on to place second in the League.



**VARSITY /JV WRESTLING TEAM.** Bottom Row: S. Jackson, A. Haidamous, A. Rashid, P. Smith, C. Otera, C. Devill, B. Ramte, C. Ranshaw, D. Holbrook, B. Ribby. Row 2: B. Outsma, C. Haflry C. VanBuren, T. Hughs, S. Trimmer, R. Dubay, O. Lang, J. Mills, E. McCall, P. Schuette, T. Williams, D. Arnold. Row 3: J. thill, J. Roehl, P. Robbenolt, J. Rectenwaldt, M. New-

man, S. Granger, P. Dishaw, C. Thill, R. Pullman, M. Bowman. Top Row: M. Palmer, Coach D. Plunkett, J. Felice, P. Zimmerman, Td. Wilcox, R. Dunham, K. Lane, S. Hadley, C. McDowell, Tr. Wilcox, J. Pierce, S. Workman, J. Zuidema, Asst. Coach L. Powell, S. Shassberger, Manager K. Binder, D. Kon, Coach R. Shaft.

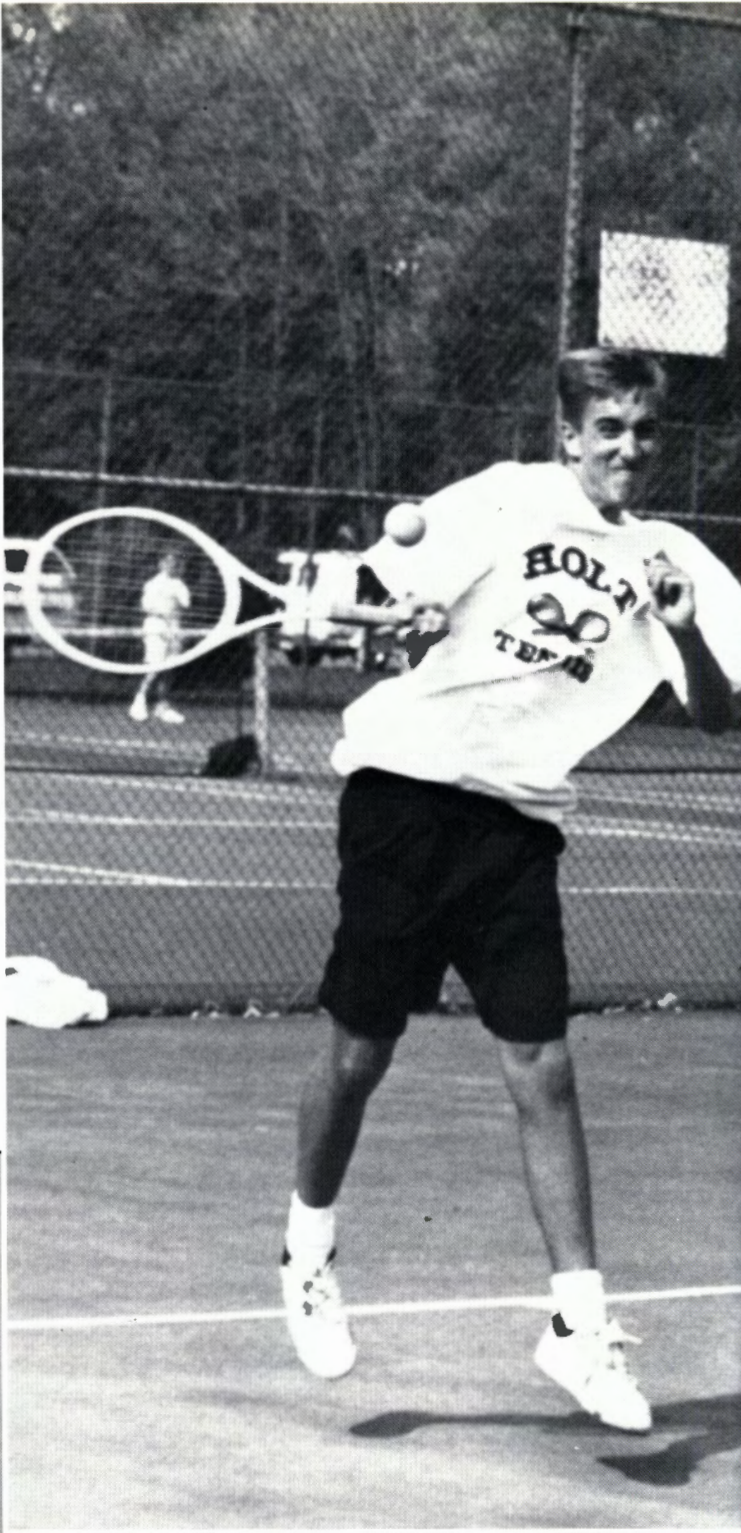
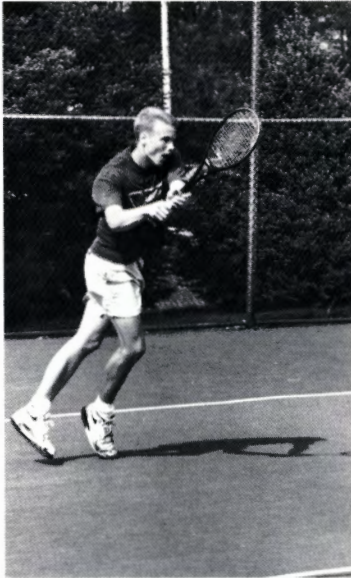




**WORDS OF WISDOM.** Senior Jason Dillingham listens intently to advice from Coach William York on how to improve his game in a break from the match against Waverly. Jason played Varsity first singles and earned a fourth place selection All-CAC.



**IN FOR THE SLAM.** Junior Dave Thielen anticipates the return of his volley to a Warrior opponent. The team put talent and emotion into play for a winning home match against Waverly.



**ALL IN THE MOVES.** Sophomore Ryan Brown concentrates to return a serve from his Waverly opponent, taking care to place it advantageously for a score. The team went on to win the match 4-3. Ryan played third doubles for the team and earned a fourth place All-CAC selection.

**"Our team started out the season on the wrong side of the bed. After the victories over Sexton and Eastern, however, we pulled together and finished the season successfully."**

*--Senior Jason Dillingham*

**The LAST Word**

**Boys' Varsity Tennis**  
7 wins, 4 losses

Okemos	0-7
East Lansing	1-6
St. Johns	3-4
LCC	3-4
Sexton	6-1
Eastern	6-1
Jackson	4-3
Grand Ledge	4-3
Waverly	4-3
Everett	4-3
Haslett	5-2
<b>CAC</b>	<b>2nd</b>



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## Hard Work And Dedication Provides A

# TASTE FOR VICTORY

Beads of sweat covered the court signalling hard work and dedication. A can of fresh, new, fuzzy yellow balls were released from their plastic prison and the tennis team exploded into a new season of challenges and excitement.

The year began with two losses to the area's Goliaths of tennis, Okemos and East Lansing; dropping 0-7 against the chieftains and 1-6 to the Trojans. Driving the dagger deeper were two frustrating losses to non-conference teams, St. Johns and Lansing Catholic Central, losing the games by a single match. "We were really down after those series of matches. Losing two

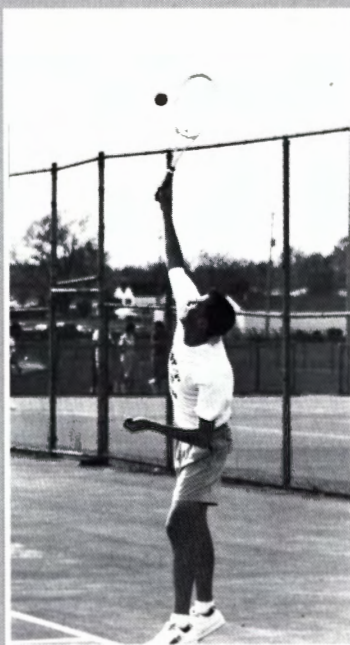
straight games by one match was very disappointing. Those were games we needed to win. The intensity was there, but the ball just didn't bounce our way," explained senior Jason Dillingham.

Vexation turned to excitement as the team pulled together and trounced both Sexton and Eastern by a score of 6-1. Senior Brian Woods explained, "That was a big morale booster. That taste of victory seemed to juice all of us up and was the turning point of our season!" Afterward the team rallied together to pull out four close victories over Jackson, Grand Ledge, Waverly and Everett. "We won all four of those games by a single match. It felt

great to be on the side of the stick, opposite the short end," revealed junior Aaron Paterick.

Haslett was the last opponent to fall as the team beat the Vikings, 5-2. "We had a very competitive team this year. We were tied for third in the conference, finished fourth at regionals and ended up second in the Haslett Invitational. They also had the best record than any other team for the last seven years," concluded Coach William York.

Though many obstacles stood in the path of victory, the Boys' Tennis Team's determination and hard work helped to overcome them and made this year's season a successful one.



**SPLIT SECOND.** Junior Aaron Paterick eyes the ball for an aggressive serve to begin the home match against Waverly. The team went on to a 4-3 victory over the Warriors.



**BOYS' VARSITY TENNIS TEAM.**  
Top Row: Coach W. York, M. Souza, D. Thielen, B. Woods, M. VanFossen, J. McKellar, A. Paterick, G. Bird. Bottom

Row: R. Whitehill, N. Pilon, J. Roberts, R. Brown, T. Maki, B. Yenc, J. Dillingham.



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## New Coach Starts By Elevating

# CHEERLEADER SPIRIT

A school leader...a person to look up to...a promoter of school activities and involvement; the goals of the winter cheerleaders were set high and they knew what they had to do to achieve them.

From the first day of try-outs, the new cheerleading coach, Kathleen Forrester was there to make some changes. "From the beginning she told us that we were going to change the views of the student body and the community about cheerleaders. She felt that we needed to concentrate more on leading cheers and promoting school involvement. She said that by the end of the year everyone would say 'Now that's what a cheerleader is supposed to be!' noted Varsity cheerleader, senior Bridget Elliott. The cheerleaders

began their assignment by redefining cheerleading's goals. "We all decided that our purpose was to promote positive school spirit. And we set our goals to do just that," remembered senior Beth Ware.

The new rules came as a surprise to those who weren't expecting the change. Attending the two 6:00 am practices and the one after school per week was crucial, for the consequence of an absence would mean missing a game. "Cheerleading this season was not what I expected. I thought things would be easier with our new coach, but I was mistaken. Kathleen took her job seriously and with a lot of pride. She helped all of us to work better as a squad and also improved our

attitudes. The spirit level at our school was previously low but I feel that there has been a turn around in the attitudes of many students. I'm proud to say that I was part of it," revealed senior Kelly Fox of the Varsity squad.

The increased level of spirit of the student body illustrated this positive change. "As a part of the crowd, it's difficult to show spirit if the cheerleaders aren't enthusiastic. I noticed the cheerleaders effort to get the crowd involved and it was easier to have spirit when we could work with them," noted senior Heather Valencic.

The hard work and effort put into raising spirit paid off. Students, parents, teachers and coaches were among those who noticed the positive turn around.



**EVERYBODY YELL FIGHT!** Showing their spirit at the Capital Area Conference competition is Misty Raatz, Beth Ware and Michelle Killian of the Varsity squad. The squad finished fourth overall in the CAC.



**SUPPORT THOSE RAMS.** The JV cheerleaders kneel respectfully for an injured Okemos player who caused a pause in the game. Behind them are spirit signs to motivate Varsity players.







**ROWDY ROCKY.** Raising school spirit along with the Varsity cheerleaders is Rocky Ram, alias junior Chris Conn at the home game against

Grand Ledge. Chris donned the hot mascot uniform to raise crowd support at all the home games.



**FIGHT FOR VICTORY.** Clapping to the beat of the fight song at half time is the Varsity squad. The band traditionally played the fight song at all the home games to help raise crowd spirit and show support for the team.

**H's ON THEIR FACES!** A spirited day at Waverly was cheered on by senior Bridget Elliot as she starts the crowd up with a chant. A wave of spirit hit the students that day as a caravan of fans with H's painted on their faces arrived for the Varsity basketball game. Nevertheless, the team lost, but not because of a lack of spirit.



**SENIOR NIGHT.** Preparing to walk across the gym floor with her parents and baby sister is Varsity cheerleader, Kelly Fox. The pre-game ceremony honored all senior basketball players and cheerleaders as they received a corsage along with flowers for their parents who had supported their children in their sports and activities throughout their high school career. On hand was Coach Bruce Larner to present the momentos.



**AND...SHE'S OUT!** Making a quick throw to first base is sophomore Krista Williams during a home double header against Sexton.

**WHERE'S THE BALL?** While one step away from second, sophomore Jenny Akers takes a quick glance to see where the play is. The team won the double header against Sexton 18-17 and 24-3.

**A GROUP THOUGHT.** Focused on the game against Sexton are JV team members, sophomores Krissy Viele, manager, Jill Etelamaki, Michele Czubak, and Tammi Wardwell. These girls weren't 'benchwarmers,' as they led their team to a third place finish in the CAC.



**JV SOFTBALL TEAM.** Bottom Row: J. Lay, C. Burtovoy, K. Kepler, N. Clark, K. Williams, J. Akers, B. Little, R. Pennock. Top Row: Coach M. Clark, M Czu bak, W. Huss, K. Viele, E. Michels, C. Riebow, L. Schultz, T. Wardwell, R. Kenyon, C. Schultz.



**JV BASEBALL TEAM.** Top Row: Coach M. Coscarella, N. Dodson, R. Phillips, J. Linebaugh, J. McDaniels, T. Schafer, Coach K. Williams. Bottom Row: D. Holbrook, J. Summerix, H. Rashid, L. Ramos, M. Wriggelsworth.





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## Tough Opponents Challenge JV's To

# BURN THE BASES

Strong hitting and good fielding led the JV Softball Team to a winning 14-8 season. The team had a season with many ups and downs but ended it with a tie for third in the Capital Area Conference.

The team started out the season with four wins over Charlotte in a double header, Mason and Waverly. Sophomore Wendy Huss remembered, "When we played Mason, we were down by ten in the fifth inning, fearing we would be mercied. But by the end of the inning, we were ahead by three and kept the lead to win the game 20-17."

In the next few games they went through a mid-season slump

winning only half of their games. "We weren't always mentally into the game and it's hard sometimes when you make mistakes to concentrate. At times, we showed it," revealed sophomore Cori Riebow.

In contrast, the J.V. Baseball Team experienced a disappointing season, ending with a 4-12 season record and a 3-11 CAC record.

The first few games were grueling, yielding only one win over Mason. The Grand Ledge game was especially tortuous, but one play stood out in Larry Ramos' mind as he revealed, "It was the fourth inning in the second game against Grand Ledge. There were

two outs and Mark Wrigelsworth got a line drive on third and made a great throw to first for the third out."

The next game against East Lansing was also an exciting one as sophomore Tim Schafer noted, "When we played the Trojans we were down by four in the last inning with two outs and nobody on base. We came back to win by one for our only sweep of the year."

The rest of the season was very frustrating as sophomore Jay Linebaugh summarized, "We should have done a lot better. We didn't play anywhere close to our potential, but we always had fun out on the field."



**HEADIN' HOME.** Striving for home plate is junior Lisa Schultz during a game against Sexton. The aspect of 'smart' base running was an asset to the team this season.

**MAKING THE CONNECTION.** Putting all her effort into the swing is sophomore Nicole Clark as she aims for the fence in the game against Sexton.

### The LAST Word

#### JV Baseball

4 wins, 12 losses, 1 tie

Opponent	Holt/Opp
Charlotte	loss
Mason	win
Jackson	loss
St. Johns	loss
Grand Ledge	loss, loss
East Lansing	win
Everett	loss, win
Eastern	loss, loss
Forest Hills	loss
Jenison	loss
Sexton	loss, win
Waverly	loss

#### JV Softball

14 wins, 8 losses

Opponent	Holt/Opp
Charlotte	10-0, 27-17
Mason	20-17
Waverly	19-4, 7-8
St. Johns	13-14, 15-16, 4-14
Jackson	17-7, 16-3
Eastern	8-18, 6-17
Grand Ledge	14-3
East Lansing	26-6, 14-9
Ovid-Elsie	26-11
Okemos	10-5, 14-8
Everett	5-13, 12-21
Sexton	18-17, 24-3

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## Improvement And Teamwork Helps

# CAPTURE CAC TITLE

Improvement was the name of the game. Bodies and minds already in top condition had to be pushed even further, because the goals of the Girls Gymnastics team were high. There was a feeling that this would be "the year." Many felt it was the team's physical and mental strengths that carried them to a first place CAC finish, and a third place at regionals, which qualified them for the state tournament.

Everyone on the team did her best to make sure that the grace, strength and style that characterizes a gymnast's performance came shining through. "I worked hard this year, but I think with more practice and improvement my individual performance could have been better," noted junior Shannon Kost.

Although individual performances were important, teamwork and support was a major factor in

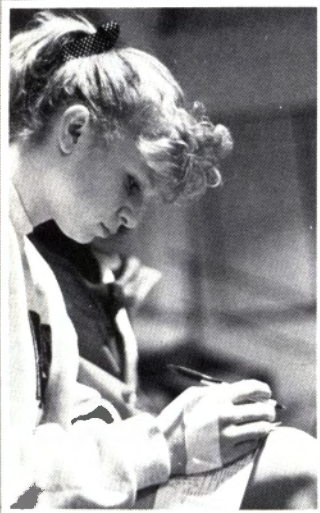
the team's success. "The togetherness we experienced was a big part of why we did so well. There was actually a lot of competition among teammates which pushed us to do better and learn new tricks. This was not a hindrance, however, because everyone was always supportive," commented senior Kim Hannig.

A Valentine's Day victory over East Lansing was "sweet" indeed as the Trojans had dominated in past years. "Beating our arch rival, East Lansing, was the icing on the cake. We all felt wonderful about it, especially those of us who had lost to them last year!" exclaimed senior Debi Freye. Debbie went on to take first place on floor routines, and second places on bars and All Around in the CAC meet.

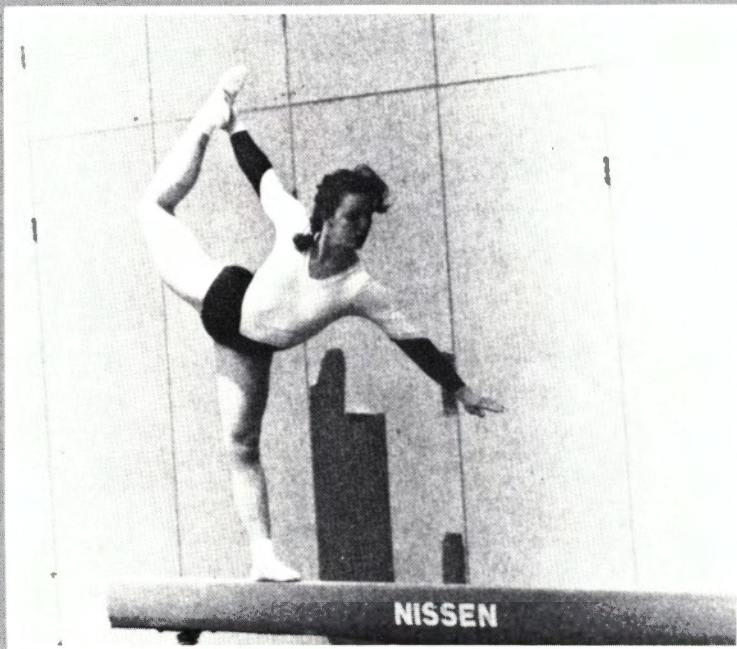
A new coach, Nancy Waddell, was an inspiring leader who provided enthusiasm, en-

ergy and experience. Ms. Waddell, a gymnast herself, was named "Coach of the Year" by the Lansing State Journal. "Our new coach was fantastic! She worked with us individually which really helped our performances, yet she kept us functioning as a group," observed junior Rachel Harley. The individual coaching led Rachel to a second place on floor routines, and first places on vault and beam, and a second place All Around in the CAC meet.

Summing up the team's feelings, junior Alys Abdo revealed, "Everyone felt good about this year. It was the best feeling being undefeated, winning CAC's, and going on to States! We would not have had the success we did if everyone, including those who did not compete, had not dedicated themselves one hundred percent."



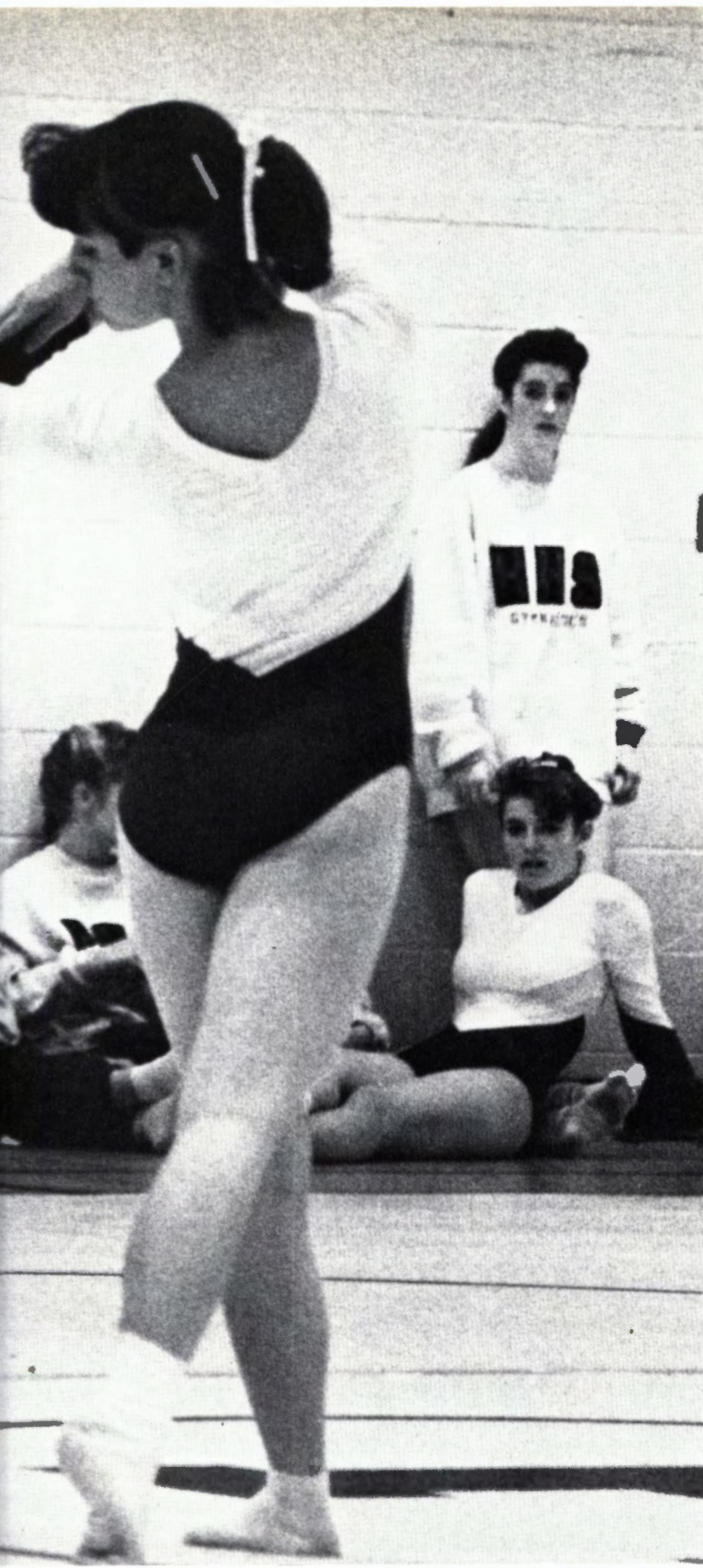
**TOTAL CONCENTRATION.** Keeping track of scores at CAC's is junior Alys Abdo. Alys' own scores led her to a 2nd place finish on vault and All Around.



**STEADY BALANCE.** Displaying her strength and steady form is freshman Nikki Felton. Teammate Debi Freye noted, "Nikki added depth to the team this year and was a strong competitor."







**A GRACEFUL BEGINNING.** As teammates look on, senior Kristin Wilcox poses and waits to begin her floor routine at the meet against

Jackson. Kristin's score aided in a victory over Jackson. Holt's team went undefeated the entire season to capture the CAC title.

**THE TURNING POINT.** Performing a graceful handstand pirouette at CAC's is junior Rachel Harley. The pressure on the team to do well on floor routines was great. Holt's scores on the final events of floor routines and bars put the team over the top and they finished first.



**GIRLS' VARSITY GYMNASTICS TEAM.** Top Row: M. Trimmer, M. Powers, C. Janes, N. Miller, K. Hannig, Coach N. Waddell, A. Abdo, R. Harley, J. Lenon, B. Brunsting, D. Monroe. Row Two: N. Felton, D. Freye, S. Kost. Bottom Row: K. Wilcox. Not pictured: M. Spisak.



## The LAST Word

Varsity Gymnastics  
11 wins, 0 losses

Eastern	win
Jackson	win
Waverly	win
Ionia	win
Everett	win
Mason	win
Jackson	win
Haslett	win
East Lansing	win
Sexton	win
St. John's	win
CAC	1st

"The team togetherness we experienced was a very big part of why we did so well this year. There was actually a lot of competition among teammates, which pushed us to do better and learn new tricks. This was not a hindrance, however, because everyone was always supportive."

--Senior Kim Hannig



### POLITE GOLF ETIQUETTE.

Holding the pin for her Lansing Catholic Central opponent is senior Amy Lounds at El Dorado Golf Course. The team was defeated 213-218 by LCC.

**LINING UP THE DRIVE.** Aiming for the perfect drive is sophomore Maggie Taylor at a home match at El Dorado Golf Course in Mason.



**GIRLS' GOLF TEAM.** Top Row: T. Corey, K. Winne, J. Pierce, K. Boss, T. Hoekwater, M. Taylor, R.

Bruining, H. Valencic, Coach S. Shimnoski. Bottom Row: L. Newberry, D. Shimnoski, K. Crawford, A. Lounds.



**PERFECT SHOT.** Watching her fairway shot land right next to the green on number two at El Dorado Golf Course

is senior Jody Pierce. The team went on to win the match against Sexton, but placed behind East Lansing



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## With Team Unity Girl Golfers Finish

# ABOVE PAR

The feet were positioned, the grip was perfected, with knees slightly bent and hips rotated, it was time to actually swing a club and so went the first practice of the Girls' Golf Team. "I never realized how much goes into a golf swing. I guess I always thought you just tried to hit the ball anyway you could," admitted sophomore Tara Hoekwater.

For eight of the team members swinging the club was much like riding a bike-- the memory stayed with them from season to season. Of these girls, six were Varsity starters and helped lead the team to its victories, a fourth place in the CAC and sixth place at Regionals. "I feel we did really well this year. In April I wasn't so sure considering the weather didn't cooperate and we didn't get

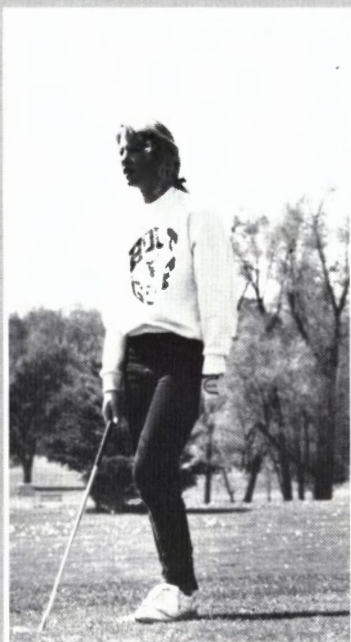
onto the course until the day before our first match. But everyone worked to improve and our season was the best," explained sophomore Maggie Taylor.

The year began with the girls winning four of their first six matches with their lowest score being a shot of 205. As the season progressed, the team finished out the season by placing second in two meets and taking first place in their last meet against Eastern and Jackson.

On-the-course action was paired with off-the-course friendship and brought the team up to par. "Our team was so close this year. I think the seniors had a special bond which spread throughout the team. Our banquet was really emotional for me when Mr. Shimnoski said, 'I'm

not going to be sentimental.' He was anyway and it brought back memories of all the good and bad times of the last 3 years." reflected senior Jody Pierce.

By the end of the season, even reluctant players were hooked on the sport. "I started playing golf this year because my basketball coach wanted me to participate in a spring sport. As I played through the season, I found I really enjoyed the game; so much in fact, that I played on weekends and got a job at a golf course. I think it's really different from other sports because you can carry the skills throughout life," explained junior Kelly Boss. The team posted one member to the all conference selections, Karen Crawford, who received second team honors.



**NICE BALL.** Watching her shot go right where she planned is senior Karen Crawford. The four-year letter winner was an asset to the team with her accuracy and consistency. She also earned the honor of All-CAC 2nd Team.

### **The LAST Word**

**Girls' Golf**  
10 wins, 7 losses

Opponent	Holt-Oppn
Sexton,	236-255-192
East Lansing	
Eaton Rapids/ Mason	221-249-243
Grand Ledge/ Waverly	232-183-215
Eastern/ Jackson	210-225-231
Everett	220-291, 205-276
Waverly/ Grand Ledge	220-209-199
East Lansing/ Sexton	218-203-256
LCC	218-213
Eastern/ Jackson	201-211-210
CAC	4th

**"Golf has been an important part of my life for the last four years. It has taught me many things about myself and also how important laughter is. When I'm on the course, I clear everything from my mind except golf.**

**--Senior Amy Lounds**



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## Strong Commitment to Practice Allows Tracksters to

# BLAZE A TRAIL

Tracksters take your mark, get ready, GO! It took much more than talent and luck to make it to states in track. It took a lot of hard practice and commitment from each team member to reach their season's goals. "It really paid off to practice, but I admit it was very hard to accomplish everything in one practice for a meet the next day. It was difficult to correct something in a few short hours," recalled junior Kristi Purchase.

Many of the teammates found that dedication to practice increased self and team satisfaction. "It felt great when I placed in a race because it showed the hard work I put into practice paid off," related senior Regina Haynes.

However, some felt they could have worked harder. "Practices would have paid off better if we had started off working harder, and set our goals earlier. It wasn't

until the end of the season that things started going our way," remembered Dan Barber.

The tracksters came out of the starting blocks with heels kicking winning seven straight meets before losing to Waverly, 53-75. The girls' team finished out the season by beating Everett 74-54 and placing first in the CAC along with Eastern and Waverly for a three way tie.

Hard work in training paid off when the team received their awards. "The highlight of the season to me, was being chosen, team of the week. It made me feel good about being a part of the group," explained junior Angie Duling. Sophomore Apryl Berg added, "I'm glad I joined the track team. I enjoyed doing my best individually, yet also coming together as one on the field. No person can win a meet by them-

selves; it's a team effort!"

The girls' dedication and determination rubbed off on the boys as they took victories over Jackson and Waverly in their last meets of the season. "Practicing hard really helped me a lot. I kept pushing myself so I could do well when meet time came around," explained senior Chris Baldwin.

Posting 20 points, the team placed seventh in the CAC and sent senior shot putter, Chris Baldwin, as their sole representative to the Honor Roll Meet.

Although it took a lot of labor and dedication to achieve their goals, the girls felt great about finishing as CAC champs, and placing first at the Mason Invitational. Throughout the season both teams hurdled obstacles and overcame their challenges due to the strong commitment they gave during practices.

**GIRLS' TRACK TEAM.** Top Row: Coach L. Guenther, D. Imel, C. Hamilton, A. Hinds, K. Hill, J. McClung, K. Purchase, A. Wright, K. Belcher. Row 2: C. Maki, A. Duling, J. Gubry, S. Woll, J. Lenon, J. Bush, T. Krause, S. Slaughter, C. Parker, A. Abdo, J. Ketchum, Coach D. Bongard. Bottom Row: A. Berg, M. Marko, Y. Ortiz, A. Zechinato, M. Theisen, R. Haynes, S. Boyd.



**BOYS' TRACK TEAM.** Top Row: P. Bliesener, D. Streeter, C. Murphy, M. Froyer, J. Kershner, S. Loundsberry. Row 2: Coach Campbell, Q. Leverich, R. Wiebusch, J. Barry, C. Anderson, B. Eaton, K. Tunks, E. Nemeth, J. Norris, J. Acker, M. Balumen, S. Newberry, S. Hadwin, J. Harmon, M. Mayberry, Coach J. Gillett. Bottom Row: S. Trimmer, A. Hughs, J. Gondeck, D. Barber, C. Baldwin, D. Bell, D. Howard, B. McBrien, W. Brown.







**MAKING TRACKS.** Senior David Bell races to get ahead in the hurdles at the Holt Invitational. The team placed fourth out of ten in the meet.



**NO SWEAT!** Crossing the finish line, sophomore Chloe Parker places first in the 50 Meter Dash at the Holt Invitational meet.



**THRUST OF POWER.** Putting it all into his throw, junior Eric Nemeth competes in the Shot Put event at the Holt Invitational meet.

## The LAST Word

### Boys' Track 2 wins, 8 losses

Opponent	Holt/Opp
St. Johns	62-75
Grand Ledge	63-74
Sexton	35-102
Mason	58.5-92.5
Eastern	27-110
East Lansing	55-82
Jackson	79-58
Waverly	86.5-50.5
Everett	56-81
Mason Inv.	5th
Holt Kiwanis Relays	4th
CAC	7th

### Girls Track 8 wins, 1 loss

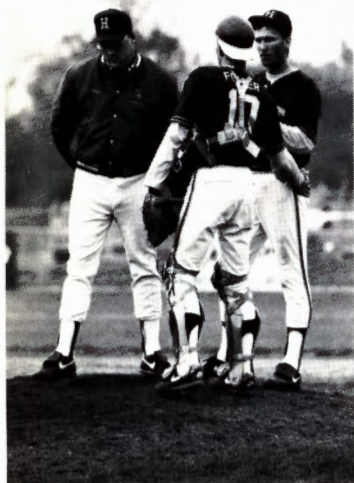
Opponent	Holt/Opp
St. Johns	79-49
Grand Ledge	95-33
Sexton	104-24
Mason	86-71-7
Webberville	
Eastern	77-51
East Lansing	87-41
Jackson	83-45
Waverly	53-75
Everett	74-54
Spartan Relays	13th
Mason Inv.	1st
Holt Kiwanis Inv.	4th

CAC 1st



**GRIT AND DETERMINATION.** Sliding safely into first is senior Ricardo Resio as he foils Sexton's senior Janes MacIntosh's plan for a pick off. Though Holt dropped both games 4-6, 3-9, Ricardo had three steals for the day and 27 for the season.

**COACHING CONFERENCE.** Taking a break from the St. John's game is senior Brian Fournier as second-year coach, Tim Currin and senior Brandon Foster (10) discuss strategy with him for the next batter. Holt split the double header, 11-3, 5-4.



"I'm really going to miss these seniors the most. The four years I spent here was with them, moving from JV coach to Varsity as they made their transition as well. I wish them all the best."

--Coach Tim Currin

## The LAST Word

Varsity Baseball  
11 wins, 14 losses

Opponent	Holt-Opp
Charlotte	6-2, 9-8
Mason	10-4, 11-7
Jackson	2-11, 0-6
St. Johns	12-5, 11-13, 5-4
Grand Ledge	0-8, 1-10
East Lansing	1-9, 4-5
Everett	13-6, 19-1
Eastern	13-11, 6-14
Forest Hills	17-3
Jenison	5-6
Sexton	4-6, 3-9
Waverly	7-11, 3-8

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## Grizzly Appetite For Victory Produces An

# UNEXPECTED FINISH

After a long, winter hibernation, the hunger for victory was evident as the team emerged onto the baseball diamond. The burden of crowded quarters of indoor practice was lifted as they moved out of the Grizzly's Den, and into a season of fury and excitement.

Two cubs joined the hunt, sophomores J.J. Hunter and Tim Schaffer, for the team's hunger was that of a pack of bears following the scent of prey. Charlotte and Mason were first to fall as the team devoured the Orioles, 6-2, 9-8 and trounced the Bulldogs, 10-4. "Winning the first three games of the season really built our confidence up and it gave us our first taste of victory," recalled junior Aaron Houser.

As conference play began, the flavor of a CAC win eluded the team for six games as they dropped games to Jackson, Grand Ledge, and East Lansing. Despite

the conference losses, the team rallied together and produced a championship trophy at the Mason Invitational beating host Mason, 11-7, and combining for 33 hits in the championship game. "We were kind of down after being swept three times, but the Mason game was the turning point. It proved we were a good team; capable of winning the 'big' games on the road," revealed senior Brandon Foster.

As the season progressed, the big bats were pulled out of the bag as the team launched ball after ball out into the sky scoring 45 runs in their first CAC wins. At the Forest Hills Invitational, the team scored 16 runs in a single inning, including a three run bang against the Mounties, winning 17-3. Against Waverly, the team hit four straight homeruns in six pitches, including a two run shot by Mike Scott and solos by Jer-

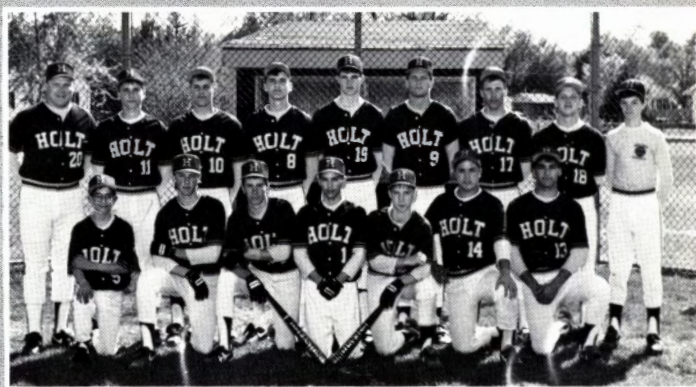
emy Baragar, Jim Lopez, and Brian Houser. In the pre-districts against St. Johns, Brian Fournier's solo homerun guaranteed the team a victory and the opportunity to play in the districts for the first time in eight years. In districts facing Grand Ledge, first team all CAC sophomore J.J. Hunter hit a homerun for the only score. "We uncovered our potential too late in the season. Yet, we did finish out the season strongly and shocked a lot of people too. I don't think I'm ever going to see a team hit four homeruns in just six pitches again," remarked senior Kory Foote. Other all conference honors include: second team infield, senior Ricardo Resio; honorable mentions, seniors Jeremy Baragar, Brandon Foster, Jim Lopez, and junior Mike Scott.

The conclusion of the season also ended the hunt as the pack of bears headed back to their den.



**SWINGING SENSATION.** Swinging late on the fast ball is senior Jim Lopez as the count becomes full. Later, Jim takes the next pitch downtown for a two run homer in the game against St. Johns.

**CAUGHT RED HANDED.** Applying the tag to the Big Red's senior Jarod Bebee is junior David Crater. The toss from catcher Brandon Foster is right on target as Jarod is caught trying to steal third base.



**VARSITY BASEBALL TEAM.** Top Row: Coach T. Currin, J. Hunter, B. Foster, B. Houser, D. Crater, J. Baragar, B. Fournier, C. Lay, Mgr. J. Son-

nerburg. Bottom Row: Mgr. D. Resio, A. Houser, K. Foote, R. Resio, S. Conn, M. Scott, J. Lopez.



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## High Intensity And Team Unity Spark A

# SEASON COMEBACK

Commitment, the unbreakable link that held the Girls' Varsity Softball Team together, was forged by dedication and friendship. It kept the team charging ahead with high spirits throughout a season marked by slumps and turn-arounds.

The season began with an unusual twist. After dropping the opener 3-7 to Charlotte and trailing 0-7 in the second, the Orioles had to forfeit the game. After five innings of play, an error had been found by the Rams that Charlotte had been batting out of order for the past two innings, thereby disqualifying the game. "That certainly was a weird way to win a game. But a win is a win and that's what matters," noted senior Kassie Stephens.

After dropping four straight non-conference games to Mason and St. Johns, the girls rallied together to split games against CAC teams, Grand Ledge and East Lansing. Next, the team fell into a mid-season slump losing nine out of eleven games with splits against Okemos and Eastern. "We fell into a hitting slump. Our bats just didn't start to click and we found ourselves in the hole," explained senior Nikki Lillywhite.

As the season progressed, the bats began to come around and the team belted in 56 runs in the last seven games with a sweep over Eaton Rapids and victories over Jackson and Waverly. Senior Missy Cool stated, "Team unity was the key factor in pulling our-

selves out of the slump and winning those games. We came back real strong." Sophomore Kristy Williams added, "The support and encouragement from the players was absolutely appreciated when I came up from JV to the Varsity team in the middle of the season." Enthusiasm climbed after the season slump as the team looked to Districts. "I wanted the season to keep going. I don't think I could ever get enough softball!" exclaimed senior Renee Gamet.

The year ended with a 9-19 overall record with all CAC selections going to sophomore Krista Burns for First Team; and Nikki Lillywhite and Sue Pentecost for Second Team honors.



**GIRLS' VARSITY SOFTBALL TEAM.** Bottom Row: S. Pentecost, R. Gamet, K. Stephens, S. Stone, J. Rennirt. Row 2: M. Bonilla, M. Cool, N. Lillywhite. Top Row: K. Burns, J. McNease, S. Richter, Coach P. Somers.

**FORCE OUT AT FIRST.** Making the throw to first base after fielding a hard hit ground ball is senior Renee Gamet, while senior Kassie Stephens covers second. The throw is in time as the team split with Eastern 16-6, 16-17







**POWER SWING.** Slugging with high intensity is junior Sue Pentecost in the home game against Sexton. Sue proved her quickness and strength by having the highest batting average and hitting 5 for 7 on the day.

**PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT.** Taking one of her five warm-up pitches before the inning starts in the home game against Sexton is senior Shannon Stone.



**HAMMER TIME.** Stealing second on the sign is sophomore Krista Burns as she collides with a Sexton opponent. Krista was called out as Sexton escaped

with bruises, winning 13-9. Krista had been moved up from JV earlier in the season.

## The LAST word

### Varsity Softball 9 wins, 19 losses

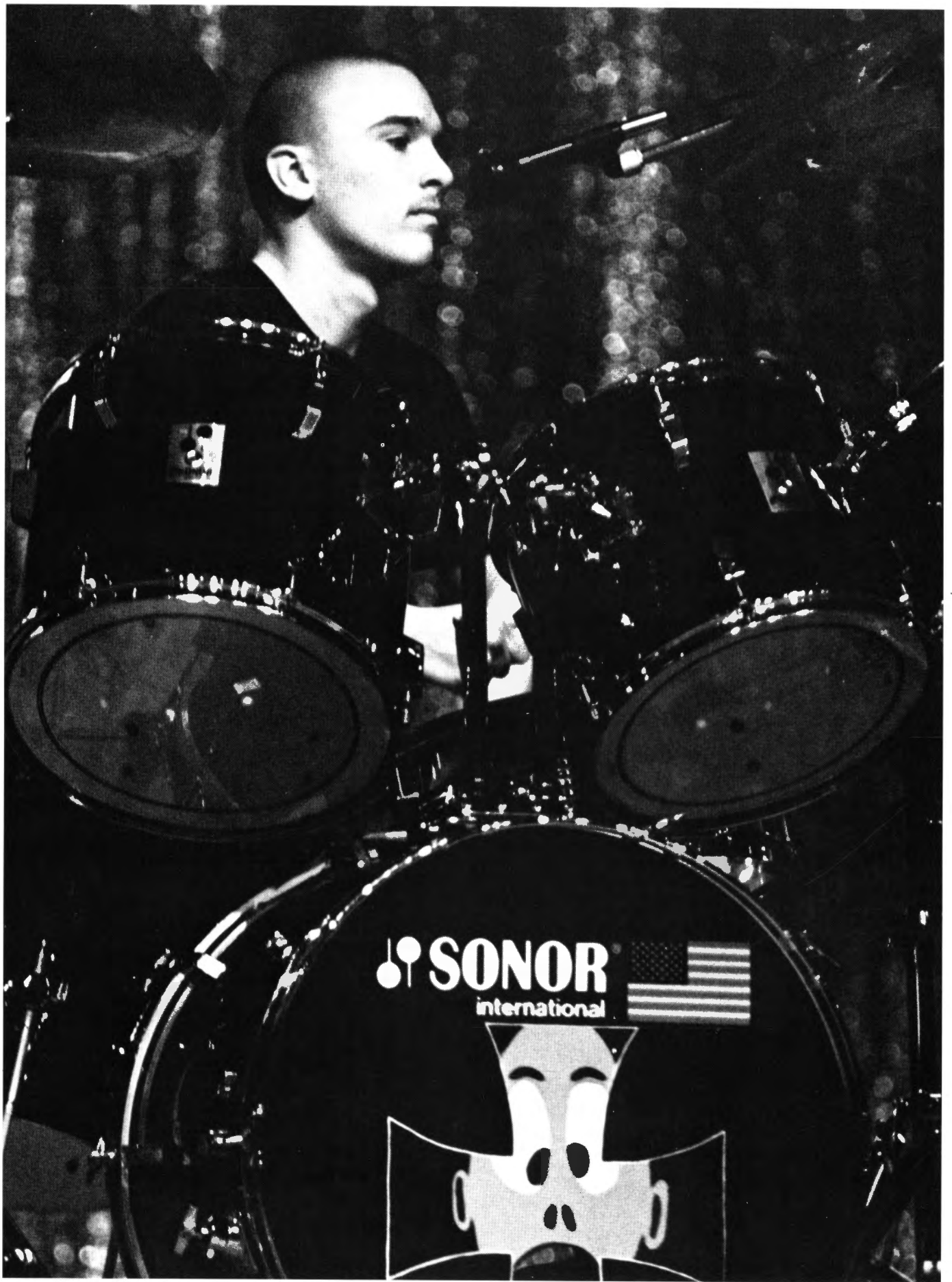
Charlotte	3-7, 7-0
Mason	5-8, 0-10
St. Johns	1-12, 1-11
Grand Ledge	7-6, 9-12
East Lansing	14-3, 7-11
Ypsilanti	7-13
Chelsea	0-19
Comstock	2-12
Okemos	0-12, 9-6
Everett	6-7, 6-15
Eastern	16-6, 16-17
Sexton	4-11, 9-13
Eaton Rapids	13-10, 13-2
Jackson	12-11, 6-9
Waverly	6-7, 3-1

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"Team unity was the key factor in pulling ourselves out of the slump and winning those games. We came back real strong."

--Senior Missy Cool









*You* asked for something  
*fun and bright...*



*You* wanted something  
*out of the ordinary...*



*You* asked us to  
*break all the rules...*

Well, we listened...

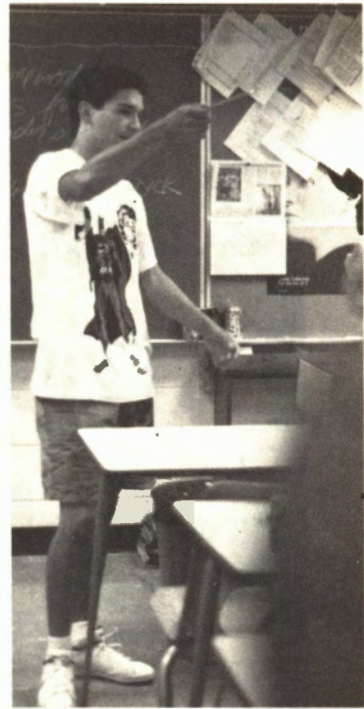


*This Is It!*



**STOP THE PRESS.** Senior Rick Resio wears his Batman outfit as he leads an early morning Student Government meeting in Mr. Saules room. Batman insignia became the latest fall fasion rage.

For the fashion conscious, venturing to shops such as Hudson's, The Gap, Limited or Splash provided the latest 'in' look. Whether it was to find Polo, Generra and Bugle Boy for guys, or Esprit, Forenza and Liz Claiborne for girls, students could find what they needed. Junior Heather Golden noted, "I like to shop at Hudsons. They



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--Senior Wendy  
Whitlock

# STYLE TAKES FIRST OVER COMFORT

To combine a dressy, but casual look, many wore the traditional cardigan sweater with a turtleneck shirt. Whether it was

After the long hard hours of shopping were over and the perfect outfits were found, students returned to the great fashion show in the halls. Having the right look created a confident feeling for many. "I like to stand out in the crowd every once in a while, so I

-- Senior Kevin Stewart





# Decisions??

## Decisions Favorite Clothes Store

### Guys

- #1 Hudsons
- #2 American Eagle
- #3 Chess King/The Gap
- #4 Frandor PX/ Sagebrush
- #5 Jacobson's/Silverman's

### Gals

- #1 The Limited
- #2 Hudsons
- #3 The Gap
- #4 Express
- #5 Splash



**A STYLISH TOUCH.** Looking at the 1989 *Rampages* at the Yearbook Dance are juniors Tessie Sommers with a unique fashion look, and Reed Benedict. Signatures were some of the many momentos that students spent the evening seeking to remind them of the previous year.



**BOOGIE WONDERLAND.** Stayin' alive in their latest threads are seniors Christy Goff, Nikki Miller and Kathy

Binder. The Homecoming Dance provided students with the time and place to display the extra edge on fashion for fun.

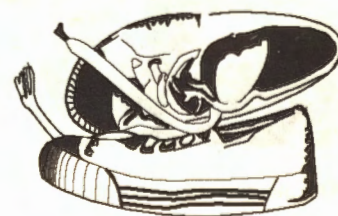
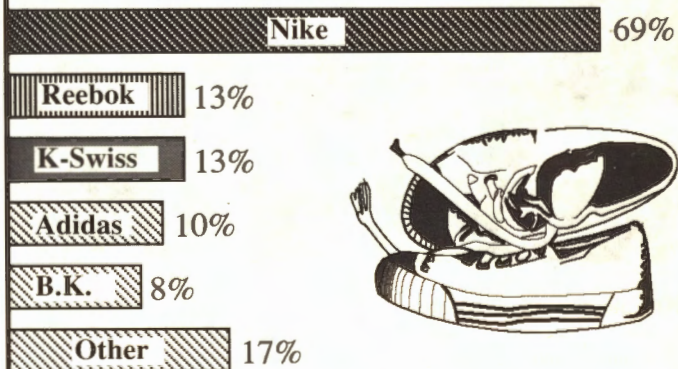
## Head to TOE

### What brand of jeans do you like best?

- #1 Guess
- #2 Levi's
- #3 Gap
- #4 Outback Red
- #5 Esprit
- #6 Bugle Boy
- #7 Lee



### What brand of shoes do you like best?





Which do you prefer?

# ICE CREAM YOGURT

53 % 47 %

Chocolate 15%  
Vanilla 9%  
Strawberry 9%  
Butter Pecan 7%  
Mint Choc. Chip 4%  
Chocolate Chip 3%  
Mackinac Is. Fudge 3%  
Other 3%



Chocolate 13%  
Vanilla 8%  
Raspberry 7%  
Blueberry 5%  
Strawberry 4%  
Peach 4%  
Peanut B.Fudge 3%  
Other 3%

What is your favorite fast food restaurant?

Burgr King 33%

Taco Bell 25%

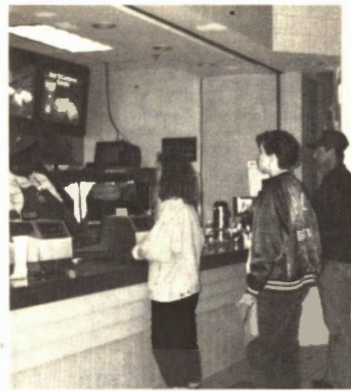
McDonalds 18%

Hot & Now 8%

Other 16%

**HUNGER ATTACK.** Shopping works up an appetite. Taking a break from vigorous shopping to get a quick bite are

sophomores Lori Bussa and Chloe Parker. Arby's was just one of the many popular fast food places at Meridian Mall.



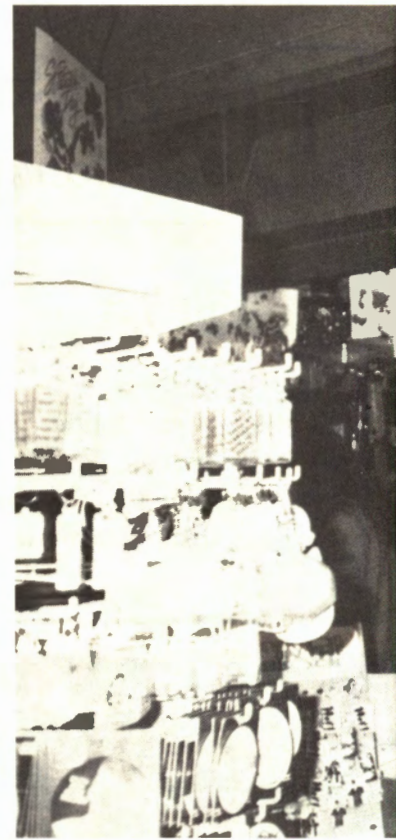
## FAVORITE POP

#1 MOUNTAIN DEW

#2 COKE

#3 PEPSI

#4 DIET COKE



Welcome to the Gaylord



**PIT STOP.** Stopping at the Gaylord Burger King for a fast food snack are S.A.D.D. members sophomores Liz Sawyer and Tafi Finch and seniors Annette

Becker, Christine Baker and Missy Cool. They and three other club members spent the weekend at Shanty Creek Ski Resort for the state S.A.D.D. Conference.

## Who has the best PIZZA?

Pizza Hut 39%  
Sammy's 13%  
Little Caesar's 12%  
DeLucas' 10%  
Dominoes 9%  
Good Times 6%  
Sir Pizza 6%  
Pizzaz 5%

"I don't know of any other fast food that can have so much variety, taste extremely great, and have several ingredients from all four food groups. And when you put sausage, pepperoni and extra, extra cheese, you have yourself the perfect pizza!"

--Senior Rick Resio



**WHAT A CUTIE!** Surrounded by Spencer's paraphernalia in the Meridian Mall, sophomores Keri Bussa and Chloe

Parker exclaim over the uniqueness of the mini King Kong they found.



**C**ome on Grams, high schoolers don't wear long underwear anymore! So why do we have to buy them? Please can I have the brand new Paula Abdul tape instead?" Shopping ranged from needs to wants, but for most students desires triumphed. Hence, the motto 'shop till you drop' was here to stay.

When I go shopping, I know in

the food I could ever crave."

After the call of the rumble tummy was filled, boredom often set in and students asked what's next? The answer...take a break and hit the mall with your favorite shopping conspirator! "When I feel down, I know its time to go shopping with my best friend, Angie Taylor. We always have fun hunting for all the sales,"

## SHOP Till You Drop

advance what I want and I'll look until I find it," explained sophomore Traci Johnston.

While some practiced the skill of being a 'smart shopper,' others gave in to their stylish instincts to make their decisions. "I purchase everything on impulse. If it looks good on the rack, I'll buy it," admitted sophomore Patrick Bliesner.

For many teens, fashion wasn't the only the materialistic money' sucker. Students taste buds hungered for the satisfaction of a full stomach when the munchies set in. Sophomore Jayson Roehl exclaimed, "I'm always hungry and 7-Eleven supplies all my needs. It carries all

reflected senior Debbie Shaver. Sophomore Darcy Abdo added, "My mom is the best to go shopping with. We both like the same styles, not to mention she's the one with all the cash and willing to spend it!"

Delights, decisions, dilemmas! Faced with desperate times, students took desperate actions when those 'necessary' items were out of reach! "One time I went to extremes for a pair of shoes. I almost ran over my old ones with the car, so I could get this pair I saw at the mall. But I didn't have to, my mom relented and bought them for me anyway!" recalled sophomore Carrie Aikman.

Whether it was the price, the brand, or one's spending instinct, teens answered the call of the mall. The need to be fashionable or favorite food craves, had students shopping hook, line, and sinker!

--Loretta Bowen



**DECISIONS, DECISIONS!** Choosing the right afterschool snack can be hard discovers senior Suzanne Allman as she deposits her money into the candy machine.

FAVORITE CANDY BAR	
25%	SNICKERS
15%	REECE'S PB
7%	MILKY WAY
53%	OTHER

**TIME OUT!** Walking around the mall can wear you out discover sophomore Chris McCarty and graduate Michael McCarty. The two took their break one half day during conference week.





**E**scaping from the tedious schedule of their everyday life, many students found themselves finding new ways to relieve boredom. Feeling restless and needing to let loose, jamming to their favorite music group was one cure for student's midwinter blues. Whether it was the New Kids on the Block or the hard core fun of Metallica, students re-

cert great. Other groups don't have as many hits to stay out that long. It was definately worth the money!"

One common problem with going to concerts was how to get there. Although some students found ways around the transportation problem, others stayed in town to rock. "The Bangles concert was great! I liked the fact that

## CONCERT Connection

treated to concerts to get away.

A wide range of music tantalized their ears from the New Wave funkiness of the B-52's to the last tour of the legendary Rolling Stones. Foreign exchange student senior Ana DeFrancisco revealed, "The B-52's concert was the first one that I had gone to here in the United States. It was a lot of fun, especially the second encore because everybody was dancing and singing with the group."

During the school year the Rolling Stones made one final tour. Few students were lucky enough to get ahead of a ticket to see them. One fortunate student, junior Mark Haskell, stated "Being on stage for four hours with non-stop hits made the con-

it was very close to home because most concerts are too far away to go to," stated sophomore Stacy Hamlin.

Several students would have done just about anything to see their favorite group in concert. Senior Wendi Rich confessed "Since eighth grade The Cure has been my favorite group. It was like a dream come true seeing them after four years." Senior Cheryl Hanel added, "I went with some friends to the Club MTV concert and it was a night to remember forever."

Whether it was a first experience or finally getting to see their idols, students enjoyed breaking away to noisy music halls to get away from school pressures.

--Kevin Stewart

### What's your favorite kind of music?

Pop/Top 40 25%

New Wave 22%

Rap 19%

Hard Rock 15%

Soft Rock 9%

Other 10%



After three years of waiting and hoping, it finally happened--Paul McCartney went on tour! I went to his concert in Chicago and again in Detroit. The show was so wonderful. There are not words to describe it. Seeing Paul in concert was like a dream come true!"

--Senior Amanda Fisher



**CENTER STAGE.** With great focus, senior Neil Byrne plays a guitar solo in the March Talent Show. Student interest in rock music was evident by the number of musicians performing.



**HOT, HOT, HOT!** The weather wasn't the only thing that was steaming on August 19, 1989. Vicki Peterson and Michael Steele of the hit group The Bangles jammed to the music during the Saturday night concert. Their performance, drew a crowd of over 40,000 to the Michigan Festival held on the MSU campus.

**A LONG WAIT.** After a long night of waiting for WhereHouse Records to open their doors, seniors Angie Michalski, Wendi Rich Allison Wilbur, and Cheryl Hanel show their excitement as they anxiously await buying tickets to the upcoming Cure concert. The girls decided to go see the group as 'the cure' for the summer-time blues.





**MUSIC GALORE.** Looking at sheet music at Musicland in the Meridian Mall is junior Jacob Waidelich. Jacob spends many hours a day practicing his electric guitar. New music is a welcome addition, giving him new ideas for his own creations.



## TOP TEN BANDS

- #1 Paula Abdul
- #2 Depeche Mode
- #3 The Cure
- #4 Metallica
- #5 New Kids  
on the Block

- #6 Bobby Brown
- #7 U2
- #8 2 Live Crew
- #9 Janet Jackson
- #10 New Order



**T**he stockings were hung by the chimney with care, in hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there. When the holiday seasons came, many students were ambitious to visit friends, see relatives, and receive gift after gift. "Over Christmas break I worked all the time so I could get enough money to buy everyone the perfect Christmas gift. Also everyone would know it was my money that bought their presents and not my parents," remarked senior

**MEOW, MEOW!** Proving that Halloween isn't just for little kids is junior Nikki Martz. She posed for her parents in her cat costume before she went out for the night with her friends.



## Fun, Food and Family Create

## HOLIDAZE

Shannon Vawter.

As students went to visit relatives during the holidays, the best part of visiting was often the food. Junior Brian Gearhart explained, "I love all holidays, especially Christmas because we go over to my aunt's house and eat her famous prime rib, which makes you gain about ten pounds!"

Other holidays seemed to en-

courage students to reveal their darkest secrets. "Every Halloween I dress up as a unique character and go out and trick or treat just like a kid," revealed senior Randi Foster. Throughout the seasons, each month had a holiday in it which students enjoyed for their own special reasons and traditions.

--Senior Missy Bliesener

### When did you stop trick-or-treating?

12-13 years old 38%

16-17 years 33%

10-11 years 17%

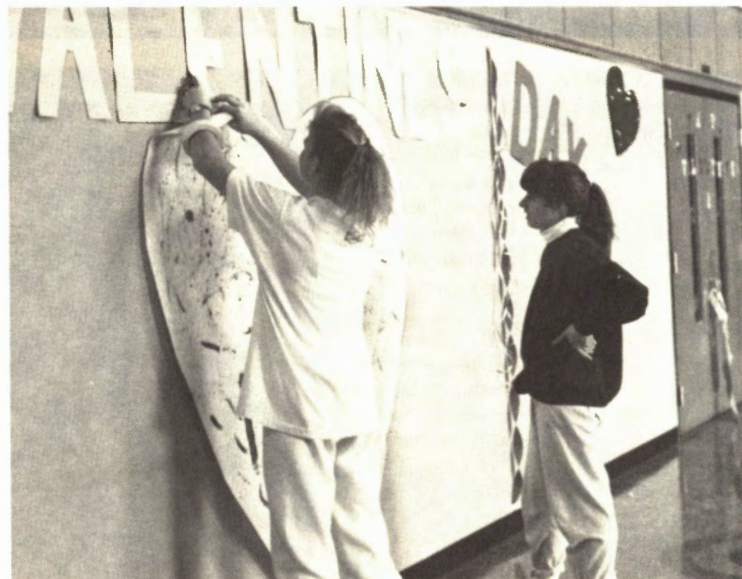
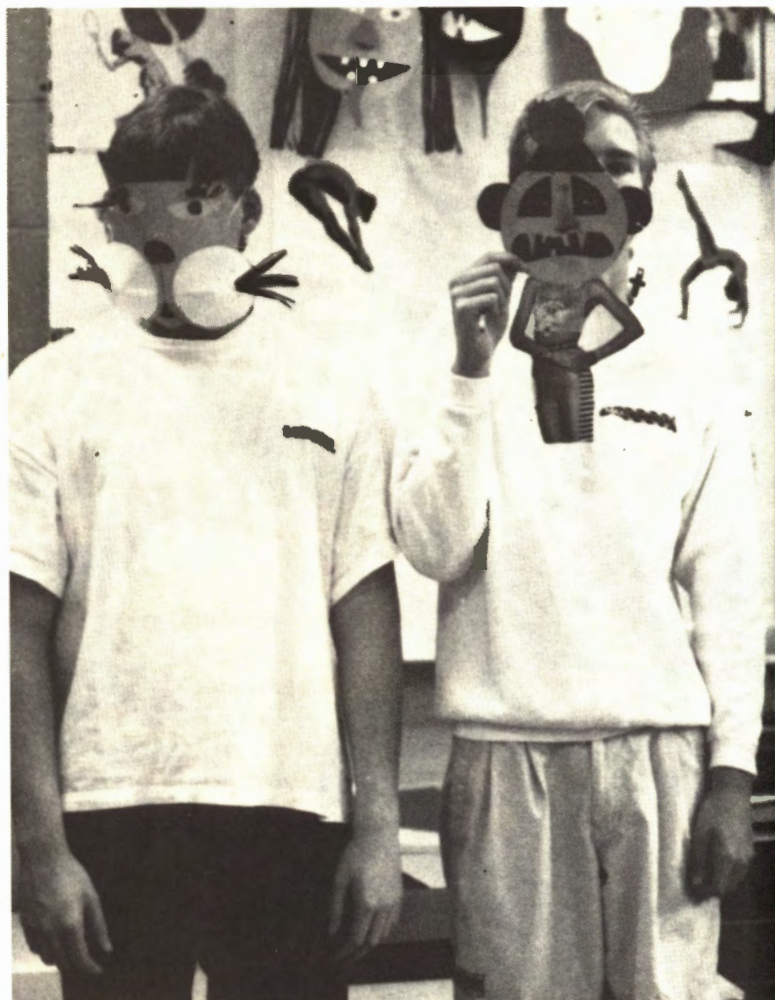
8-9 years 8%

18 & up 4%



**SPOOKY FACES!** Posing for the judging of the masks are sophomore Scott Mussel and juniors Brian Houser and

Chris Knapp. For a Halloween treat, Mrs. Anderson had her students make masks and Mr. Northrup choose the best one.



**A LITTLE HIGHER.** Decorating for the Sweetheart Dance are juniors Alys Abdo and Jenny Rennirt. The dance was a new idea and was put on by Student Gov-

ernment and Publications. Breaking tradition, the dance was held on a Saturday night and was also a semi-formal event.





Many students have dream-

Crazy stunts may not have been the best way of getting someone to give you a car. Down-to-earth, realistic ways of getting one could work too. Senior Paige Hunter had one method in mind as she revealed, "The only way to get a white Lam-

Some students didn't set limits on what they would do for the car of their dreams. Some of the things involved strange stunts. "I'd jump 50 busses with a moped if it meant I could get a 1989 Porsche 911 Cabriolet

Every high school student had the car of their dreams. Although most were never actually attained, the rides they took in their minds were sometimes better than the real thing.

**--Greg Toth**

**--Junior Dino  
Katsiris**



**WISHFUL THINKING.** Looking at her dream car, a Corvette, at Holt Auto Sales is junior Gayle Utter. Many students had a car they wanted but was only possible to own in their dreams.



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new kind of cartoon mania struck the school. One that boosted T-shirt profits in Consumers Ed classes and motivated students to throw weekly V.C.R. parties. Simply stated it was

He always pulls off stunts that I only wish I could get away with. He's the menace of the decade!" noted sophomore Kama Kepler.

Wasting Christmas funds on removing a tatoo, decapitating

## SIMPSONITIS Hits Strickly In The Funny Bone

Simpsonitis, and it hit students strictly in the funny bone! "The Simpsons are the funniest family on television. Bart and his father Homer love to antagonize each other and just watching them makes me laugh. It's great!" exclaimed sophomore Trinity Hayes.

This modernized cartoon was one like never before. Ranging from the constant complaining Homer to the over-exaggerated pacifer-sucker Maggie, the Simpsons were the talk of Monday mornings! "The Simpsons are so obnoxious. They do crazy things that nobody would ever dream of doing. One of my friends even went as far as taping every episode and throwing Simpson parties," revealed sophomore Katy Nott.

Even though all the characters had outspoken personalities, the back-talker Bart was the favorite among students. "Bart is the best!

the town statue, and doing a switcheroo act on IQ exams were some of the Simpsons' hilarious antics. But through it all, the Simpsons gained a new kind of respect throughout the school. "All the latest television shows seem to be the same boring scripts with everyday people. But the Simpsons are completely unique and put a humorous perspective on the daily routine," summarized sophomore Koralie Hill. Senior Kevin Stewart added, "The Simpon's are more than a normal cartoon. In every episode, you're always guaranteed a half hour of snide remarks, armpit noises, and genuine fun!"

No matter what reason students tuned in for this Sunday night fad, the Simpsons have wriggled into the top twenty charts by adding their 'two giggles' to weekly school life.

--Loretta Bowen

### What's your favorite TV show?

The Simpsons 25%

The Cosby Show 10%

Cheers 10%

Married With Children 7%

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 7%



**YABBA DABBA DO!** Visiting Homecoming are cartoon characters Fred Flinstone and George Jetson. Due to the popularity of cartoons, they were chosen

as the themes for Homecoming. Lending a hand to the parents is Homecoming Queen, senior Jill Souza on the evening of October 20.





**N**ot rain, nor sleet, nor snow could keep students away from Pin Ball Pete's. What ex-

## Pin Ball Pete's

actly was it that made students want to cruise to East Lansing every Friday and Saturday night for an evening at the arcade? Senior Debbie Shaver revealed, "I love to go to Pin Ball Pete's because of the atmosphere. It's a place where teenagers can hang out and have fun. There's so many unique people to meet, yet everyone fits right in."

Other students seemed to have become addicted to the wild and crazy video games. Senior Cheryl Hanel admitted, "I like Pete's because I love video games, and I

like to meet people. The car video game is one to which I am seriously addicted!" Though some went for the video games, others went to meet the crowd. Senior Polly Ramsey noted, "I love Pete's because you can meet so many people, and talk for hours, especially with the cute guys!"

Pete's was sometimes the scene of fond and embarrassing moments. Senior Rindy Cottom remembered, "One time I was at Pete's and it was in the middle of the winter. The roads were icy and I was wearing high-heel boots. I went to cross the street, when I fell and crashed right into a group of guys. Ever since then I've been going out with one of the guys I ran into!" As the anticipation of the weekend grew closer, many students relied on Pete's for some weekend entertainment.

--Missy Bliesener

**TOUGH CHOICES.** Making the split decision between "Chances Are" and another hit video at Meijers are sophomores Taffi Finch and Jennifer McPeak. Weekend videos were affordable, standby entertainment for many students.

**L**oud music...good food...lots of dancing...familiar faces...just around the corner. What do all of these images conjure up? The ideal hangout! Some students wished this place really existed, so they searched deep in their imaginations and came up with the perfect place to hangout. "At my ideal hangout, there would be a lot of people of all ages who treated each other equally.

## HANGOUTS

That way, everyone would feel comfortable. Soul music would be a must, and so would delicious food!" commented junior Angie Duling." Describing his ideal hangout, senior Jon Esch re-



vealed, "I think it would be great to have a place in Holt where a variety of kids could go to dance, eat and play games without feeling they need 'substances' to have a good time there."

Because pressures from school and home life could add up, students thought having a place near by where they could be with friends and relax would be just what they needed. "I believe kids need excitement and stimulation so they can escape from the boredom and repetition of school. A hangout would be a great place for this," stated Nick Park. On a similar note, senior Angie Michalski observed, "A hangout would be important because it would allow kids to let off steam in a somewhat civilized manner!"

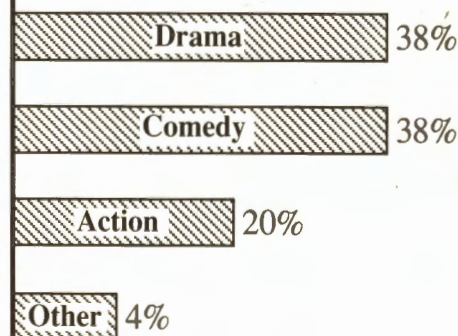
Although there were places outside of Holt, students felt they needed something closer "The hangouts in Lansing are too far away. It would be really convenient if Holt students had a decent place to go. I think it would have a lot of business, because I hear this same complaint from many of my friends," commented senior Laura Knieper.

Hanging out was what students did best, but finding the perfect place was the problem. So students had to find the ideal hangouts within their minds and could only hope that it would become a reality.

--Jill Hartley/ Wendy Whitlock

**RUSH HOUR.** Working steadily at Video to Rent is sophomore Stacia Cramer. A lot of spare time was spent working, especially on busy Friday and Saturday nights.

## What type of movies do you like?





**T**hree...Two...One! Happy New Year!" boomed Dick Clark's voice. The crowd in New York City was screaming and the big red apple was sitting on top of the year 1990-the start of a decade. Left behind were ten years of vast change and major impact.

Money had influence in the 1980's and this was seen in many different ways; from the Jim and

from 37,000 in 1980 to 25 million in 1988.

Entertainment was another area in which improvements were made. People could watch movies at home on Video Cassette Recorders and play arcade games on their Atari or Nintendo computer systems. They could go to the theatre and watch movies that were part 13 of a series or were

## The Ins and Outs of **CHANGE**

Tammy Baker scandal to the million dollar salaries paid to athletes. Another way was the increased number of people with million dollar incomes; 35,875 in 1986 up from 4,114 in 1980. At the other end of the scale, the problem of not enough income also increased with the number of poverty stricken and homeless families on the rise. In 1980, 29.2 million families lived in poverty and by 1987 that number had increased to 32.5 million.

Along with income, technology changed drastically. It began with the markdown of LP's to make room for the new CD's. In 1980, 59.3 million LP's were sold, but 8 years later, the number fell to 8.5 million. It was just the opposite for compact discs; the number sold in 1984 was 2.4 million and in four years it rose to 33.4 million. Walkmans also made a big impact on the market with the number sold increasing

about their childhood super heros.

The 80's brought a decade of Republican rule, under Ronald Reagan, then George Bush. They saw the U.S. bomb Kadaffi of Libya and attack ships in Iraq. Later on, they brought great expectations for the 90's as they saw Germany breaking down the Berlin Wall and Russia experimenting with more democratic political reforms.

Social issues ranged during the decade from illiteracy to drugs to AIDS, generating concern, fear and political action. Projects to improve medical care and educate the public took on greater emphasis. The eighties were a controversial period which brought many new problems and solutions. Although accurate predictions for the next decade would be helpful, it wasn't always possible. One could only wonder, "What's next?"

--Heather Valencic / Rob Ellis

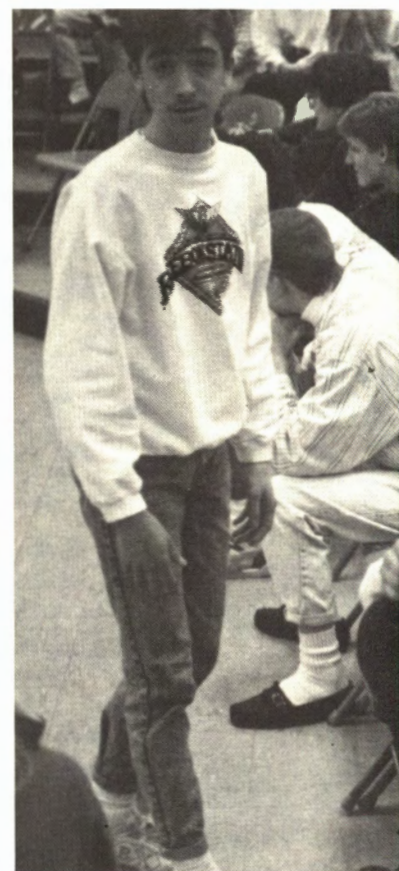


**CHRISTMAS COLORS.** While singing Christmas carols in Mr. Garnett's first hour French class, junior Chris Murphy

shows off his MSU sweatshirt. Joining him are juniors Leslie Fulk, Sakia Kendrick and senior Amanda Fisher.

"I watch the news every day because I really want to know what is happening in world issues. I watched CNN news in Government class and believe it is essential to be informed in order to vote."

--Senior Kristin McGoldrick



## ANOTHER YEAR... ANOTHER DUEL

The age-old rivalry between MSU and U of M was very much alive this year. Students and staff alike, were caught in the cat-fight between the state's two leading universities. On days then the two schools played each other, the halls would be speckled with green and white or blue and gold sweatshirts. Bitter but meaningless comments were heard being laundered between friends who were split by the rivalry.

First it was football, where U of M dominated in games played against MSU. But feelings were mixed as U of M lost the Rose

Bowl and MSU won the Aloha Bowl. Then came basketball in which the two teams split their victories. U of M had dominated the games five times in a row, before the Spartans dramatically beat them in March, sending the majority of the school into a Spartan frenzy. Finally, it was MSU on top in hockey, where they beat U of M three times, lost once and tied once.

As the year paced by, the fuel for the rivalry was fed at record levels as the two major state contenders took the fans through a see-saw season.

--Greg Toth



**INQUIRING MINDS.** Choir members enjoy some time out from class to relax. Sophomores Pat Bliesener and Dan Even-son and junior Eric McCall live up

what could have been an ordinary reading of the paper, with a touch of toilet paper on a day that the sub was in for the teacher.



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he Berlin Wall, the release of Nelson Mandella, the MSU Big Ten Championship; these were just a few of the issues that sparked student discussion and debate this year. Realizing the momentous importance of many national and international events, many students felt the need to be informed. Senior Debbie Shaver noted, "It is very important to me to be aware of current events because it is history in the making."

Though the sources were varied, many students reported the significance of T.V. "I watch the news every day because I really want to know what is happening in world issues. I watched CNN news in Government class and believe it is essential to be informed in order to vote," stated senior Kristen McGoldrick.

Some teachers spent time covering the events with students who then developed the habit of becoming informed on their own. "Because of my Comparative Political Systems class, I learned much more about the four 'isms.' We studied current events and did practical group work with issues. I learned a lot, not only from the

cal reforms," revealed sophomore Ann Simons.

Disasters also riveted students' interest as the clean-up efforts were reported on the Valdez incident, the earthquake in San Fransico and the hurricane in the Virgin Islands and Carolina's. "The biggest issue of the year for me was the damage created by Hurricane Hugo. It really affected me because I couldn't imagine not having any place to live," admitted sophomore Sara Faculak.

State and local issues also kept interest sparked. Students and the community were heated over the controversy regarding the MSU and U of M rivalry, not only in football, but also in the winning of the Big Ten Championship by the Spartan cagers.

Batman entertained students bored with summer vacation and gave them a reason to invest in the memorabilia. On a more serious note, the documentary movie, *Roger and Me*, provided students with a story which took place in their own backyard with the General Motors' layoffs in Flint.

The economic and ecological

## History In The Making

the teachers, but also from other students. I then watched the nightly news on television at home," commented senior Jean McNease.

One of the issues students most often cited was the tearing down of the Berlin Wall. "I think that the biggest issue of the year was the Wall coming down in Germany because it shows how the world is changing and how there is hope for the future," stated sophomore Kristen Van Til. Also cited was the fall of communism in Eastern Europe and how it warmed up the U.S.-- Soviet Union relations.

Much empathy was generated by the release of Nelson Mandella and the events in China. "The protests in China were probably the most moving experience on T.V. all year for me. The Chinese students were really brave in demanding more democratic politi-

issues were extended to the High School as concerned students formed the new Environmental Awareness Club. Sophomore Crystal Chappell noted, "There are a lot of problems that everyone contributes to unknowingly. Our environment is one example. Everyone creates trash and it is so easy to recycle. It just takes a little effort and the belief and desire that you can make a difference."

The difference was brought down to the basic level of communication as junior Robbyn Hoffman noted, "I think it is important that I know something about a topic and can have an intelligent conversation about it. I hate being in the dark so I watch the news, read the newspaper, and learn about what is going on in the world."

--Nicole Harris and  
Alexandrea Layman

### This is Spartan Country!

#### STUDENTS

64% SPARTANS  
36% WOLVERINES

#### STAFF

69% SPARTANS  
31% WOLVERINES

### What career field will you be in at 30?

Business 28%

Medical 25%

Engineering 13%

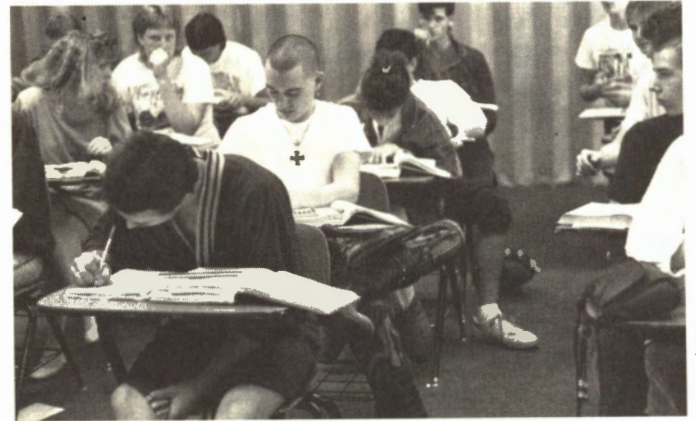
Communications 12%

Science/Technology 11%

Other 11%

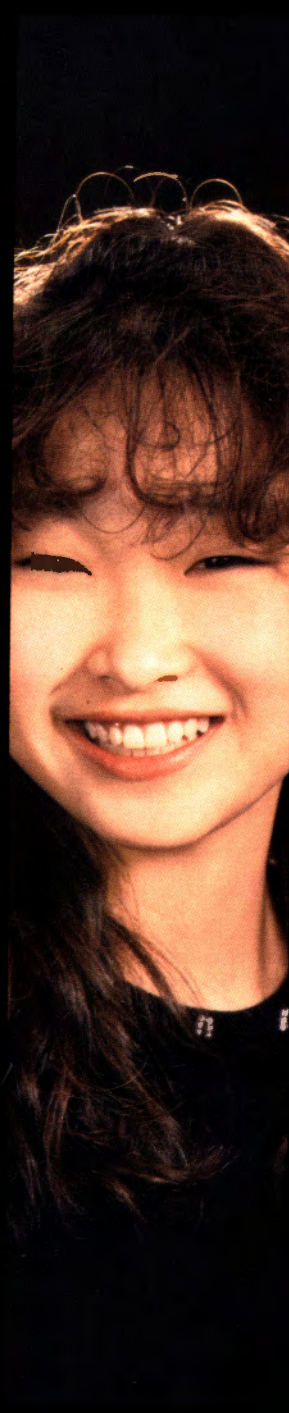


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# You're Next!





**TANTE CLAUS, TANTE CLAUS...** Singing Christmas carols in French III and IV class are seniors Amanda Fisher and Karen Baker along with junior Sakia Kendricks. Looking on from her seat is junior Leslie Fulk. Mr. Garnett found that singing in class helped students get into the holiday spirit.



**INDIAN SUMMER.** Busily working on the senior float at Heather Valencic's house are Jody Pierce, Nikki Miller, Missy Cool, Kelly Fox, Wendy Whitlock and Ana DeFrancisco. Students took advantage of the warmer than usual weather to work outside on the smaller parts of the float.



## THE FINAL STEP

Class Colors

***Black and Emerald Green***

Class Flower

***Red Rose***

Class Song

***'Don't You Forget About Me'***

Class Motto

***The will to do: the soul to dare***



**THIS ISN'T WORKING.** Trying to decipher the "steelie lab" in fourth hour Physics class is senior Kory Foote. Because of its relaxed atmosphere and fun labs, Physics was an enjoyable and popular class for seniors.



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**INDIVIDUALS**  
You're next!





# LOOKING FORWARD

## To looking back

"Don't you forget about me...." The lyrics created by Simple Minds were constantly in the thoughts of many seniors.

"Tell me your troubles and doubts...." Friendships took on new meaning to students during their last year. "I think the thing I will remember most about my senior year will be the day to day routine; seeing the familiar faces in the halls, talking to the same people in between classes and complaining about the same things every day. I take it for granted now, but I know I'll miss it always," revealed senior Amy Parkhouse.

"Slow change may pull us apart...." The impact that decisions would have gained seniors' awareness. "It seems odd to be making decisions that will affect the rest of my life. Its scary to know that if I make the wrong choice, my life may not turn out the way I want it to," explained senior Eric Royston.

"Think of the tender things that we were working on...." Memories flooded the minds of many seniors as the events and activities of the year came and went. "I get very nostalgic when I think of these as being our last times together, it makes me want them to be the best times. I was so happy when we won Homecoming, I wanted our class to be remembered forever," admitted senior Amy Sterenberg.

"Will you recognize me and call my name, or will you walk on by...." Looking into the future was an everyday occurrence for seniors. They thought about the friends and good and bad times they would leave behind. "My senior year has been the best one yet! If I could say one final thing to my class, it would be, don't you forget about me, because I certainly won't forget about you!" reflected senior Brent Hunter.



**DINOSAUR DAYS.** Riding the senior float is senior Amy Sterenberg as Dino, the Flintstones' pet dinosaur. Amy stayed on the first place float throughout the parade and remarked, "When I waved to the little kids that were watching the parade, their expressions were full of surprise. They couldn't believe that I was real."

**BACK TO THE STONE AGE.** All decked out in their Flintstone duds are members of the senior class as they watch the junior skit during the Homecoming assembly. The seniors combined popular music and exciting steps to win first place in the skit competition.





# THAT WAS THEN...

## This is now!

They were too cool for words. They had fast cars, dates every weekend and were allowed to stay out after the street lights came on. They had six different teachers, tall, metal lockers, and homework every night - even homework was neat. These mysterious people were the high schoolers.

Watching older brothers and sisters go out on dates was something every younger sibling enjoyed. "It was the Fourth of July and my sister, Gerry, had been asked out on her first date to go to the fireworks. The only problem was that my parents told her that I had to go with her. I thought it was great, but she could have killed me. Needless to say, nothing happened between Gerry and her date because they knew I'd tell my parents everything!" recalled senior Kelli Marsh.

Along with dates, another mystery of the life of a high schooler was the weekly Friday night game. "When I was in first grade, my brother took me to a

basketball game. I sat with his friends in the stands and I felt so old. Darren bought me a candy bar at half-time and I smeared the candy between my hands and all over the bars underneath the stands. He was furious with me because he had to take me in the bathroom and clean me up. I was never taken to a game again!" remembered senior Kristin Wilcox.

First time experiences were sometimes shared with younger siblings. "The first time my older stepbrother tried a cigar, I did too. I loved being with his friends and I thought that if I smoked a cigar, they'd let me go out with them. It ended up with me almost choking to death and telling my parents," explained senior Trisha Lennox.

Through the eyes of a first grader, high schoolers seemed pretty great and very tall. But the common feeling was captured by senior Dominic Perrone when he said, "As a senior, I don't feel as old as the seniors looked when I was in first grade."

## THE FINAL STEP

"My family was eating dinner at a restaurant and the waitress had just taken our order. My seven year- old brother, Stephen, started getting bored and decided to climb under the table. When we finally got him to sit on the seat the waitress was back with our drinks and Stephen started telling her his life story. She thought he was darling, but I was ready to kill him!"

-- Senior Karen Baker

**CARTOONS ON WHEELS.** Enjoying the fun of the Homecoming Parade are seniors Kathy Nelson, Melinda Smith and Karen Baker. Also

watching the Flinstones, Jetsons and Smurfs theme floats roll by are younger siblings Davey Nelson and Stephen Baker.



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Shawnda Allen  
Suzanne Allman  
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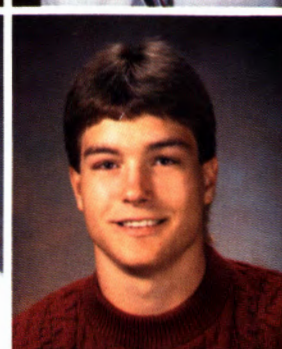
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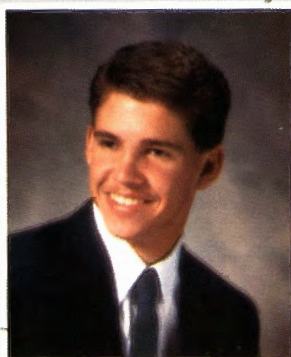


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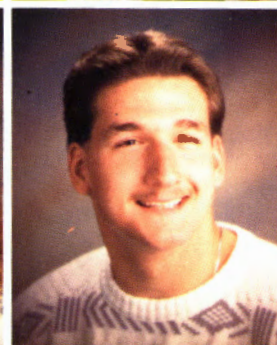
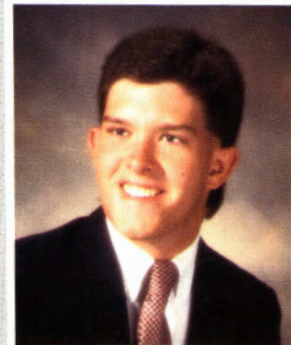
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Christopher Clark  
Stacie Clark

Christopher Cleaver  
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## THE FINAL STEP

**What was the weirdest snack combo you have ever eaten?**

Peanut butter and Captain  
Crunch sandwich  
--Senior Stacie Clark

French dressing on Pizza  
--Senior Amy Parkhouse

Green beans on Ritz crackers  
--Senior Jill Souza

Pickled pigs' feet  
--Senior John Verlinde

Onion and mayo sandwiches  
--Senior Kelli Fox

Mashed potatoes and ranch  
dressing  
--Senior Amy Campbell

**VERY UNPUCKERED.** Enjoying the normalcy of water instead of her favorite, pickle juice, is senior Stacie Clark at the Coldwater Volleyball

Tournament. The quick break allowed 'Stacie and the rest of the team to go on to take third place in their pool play at the meet.



## RAZY COMBOS...

**For the craving!**

Pickle juice on the rocks...Chips dipped in ketchup...tuna-fish and marshmallows...were these the creations of a derranged high school dietician? No! They were the cravings of typical sane seniors. As consolation for a bad day or to satisfy a strange hunger, seniors ate their way through the ordinary to the exotic.

"After a tough day at school, a peanut butter and mayonaise sandwich can chase those blues away," explained senior Wendy Whitlock. Senior Kevin Stewart agreed as he confided, "The greatest stress breakers in the world are peanut butter covered pringles dipped in cinnamon toast crunch and Brady Bunch reruns." However, those students who remained on the run created shortcuts. Senior Kellie

Woodman revealed, "When I don't have time to eat my Doritos separately from my peanut butter sandwich, I put them together for a crunchy combo."

Pickles were another common favorite. "While watching TV at night, I start craving pickles and ice cream. The combination creates a unique but great sweet and sour sauce," revealed senior Missy West. Even pickle juice became an addiction for one student. "I think most people prefer apple, orange or grape juice, but I love pickle juice. It's really refreshing!" exclaimed senior Stacie Clark.

Though eating played a central part in teenagers' lives, the food combinations they chose were often far from the ordinary. In fact, they were sometimes downright weird!







# TRESS BUSTERS

## Seniors want time out!

Piles of homework, college applications and decisions waiting to be made, irritated parents, emptied wallets, and demanding teachers. These were just a few of the things that caused many seniors to feel stressed out. While the sources of pressure varied, almost all students agreed that homework was the leading culprit in causing stress. Senior Laura Dickenson complained, "Because every teacher thinks that his or her class is the most important, they all give hours of homework and I feel as though I could never do it all!"

Nonetheless, students found their own ways to relieve stress. One answer was to set priorities as to how they spent their time. "What will help me most in life, such as doing homework or working, dictates how I spend my time," commented senior Stan Granger. On a different note, senior Missy Cool explained, "I

take care of ME first. If I get too caught up in things, I take time out and do what I want to do."

However, some students had to resort to different tactics in order to relieve stress. "To relax, I like to listen to the radio, watch television or simply read a book that has nothing to do with school," related senior Melinda Smith. Others looked to their friends for help such as senior Kris Schuette who confided, "To forget it all for a while, I just go out with my friends and party!"

While sports, shopping, listening to the radio, watching television and spending time with friends were all popular remedies, senior Trisha Lennox had a different solution as she exclaimed, "When I am totally stressed out I make chocolate chip cookies and eat so much of the dough that I get sick. Even though I'm ill I still feel better every time!"

## THE FINAL STEP

**JUST ME AND NESTLE!** Baking chocolate chip cookies in order to relieve stress is senior Trisha Lennox. Trisha related that after eating tons of

cookies she always feels less pressured. Unfortunately, stress was a common experience for most students.



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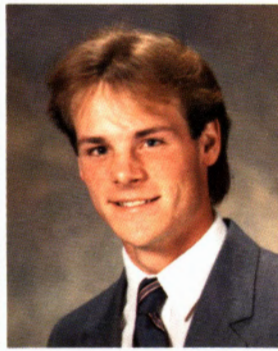
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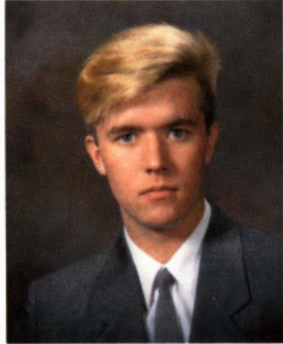
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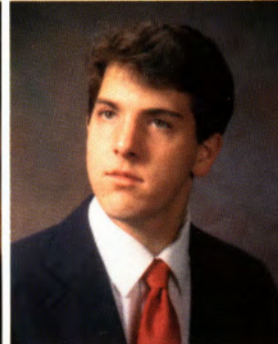
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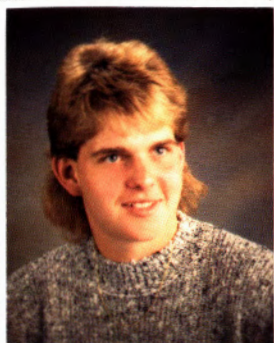


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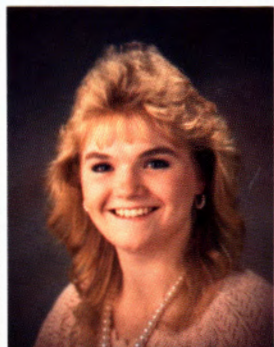




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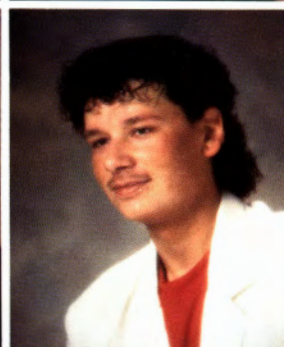
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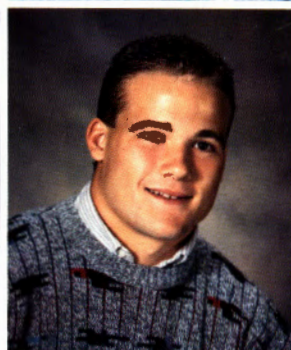
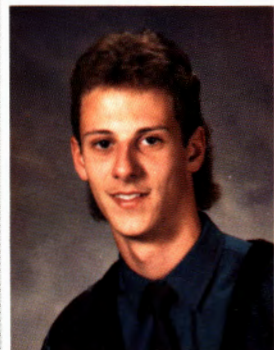
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Corey Hake  
Anthony Hall

## THE FINAL STEP

**When you come to your ten-year class reunion, what will your life be like?**

"I plan to have my own business, a beautiful wife with a great personality and two kids. I plan to be very successful and have an enjoyable life."  
-- Stan Granger

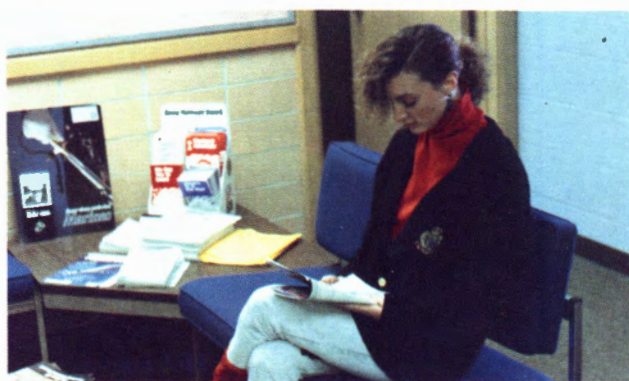
"I'll have taken over Donald Trump."  
--Dan Hatfield

"I'll have enough kids to field a baseball team and not make enough money to pay the bills."  
--Kory Foote

"I will have a successful career as an architect. I may be married, but I will have my career first."  
--Missy Cool

**DECISION MAKER.** Looking through college brochures in the counseling center is senior Wendy Zeiger

Deciding on their future was a big part of every student's senior year.



## RUNNING OUT OF TIME Seniors face decisions!

Decisions, decisions, decisions. Which college offers the most? Is entering the work force after high school the right choice or is the military the best way to go? Every senior had a lot of decisions to make their final year. Although some were short term, many of them held important consequences. "It's very strange to still be in high school and at the same time have to make decisions that will affect my whole adult life," stated senior Brian Woods.

A variety of issues affected students' decisions. Among them were: personal aspirations, parents' opinions, money available and past work experience. "The fact that I enjoy working with children influenced my decision to become a teacher. My experience as an elementary aide helped me make this choice," explained senior Laura Knieper. Senior Allison Wilber had a different goal

in mind. "I plan on working for a couple of years after high school, because college just isn't for me. With the money I save from working, I hope to join a mission and work in an underdeveloped country."

With thoughts of new cars and large homes, many students based their decisions on the career that would earn the most money. "After graduation, I plan to attend a major university and hope to enter a prestigious career that will enable me to become wealthy!" admitted senior Jenny Loudon.

Other students didn't overlook happiness. "Someday I hope to have a career that will allow me to live well, but more importantly, I want to be happy in what I do. Money is a nice thing to have, but as the old saying goes, it can't buy happiness," summarized senior Jean McNease.





# JUST YOUR LUCK

## Winning with a charm!

Find a penny, pick it up, all day long you'll have good luck! The childhood rhyme brought smiles to their faces, but as elementary students matured into seniors, so did their rituals.

Precious as could be, there was always the faithful pet. "When I'm feeling down and I need to get my smile back, I can look to my cat to help me. He's a special charm, and he helps chase away my teenage blues," revealed senior Heather DeYoung.

As a furry friend changed to a best friend, charms became even more unique. Senior Kassie Stephens explained, "My lucky charm is very special and unique. It's my best friend Kris DaFoe. She helps me when I'm in trouble, answers my every question, and she assures me that she's right."

From pets to best friends there

was always the feeling of love. "Michelle Sisler is the most valuable lucky charm. She loves me and she keeps me going when I feel a little down. She really helps me and I love her for it," revealed senior Shannon Ostrander.

Many students also relied on the traditional type of charm. "I've had a Canadian dollar that my mom gave me when I was little and I always carry it with me. When she gave it to me she said, 'May you always spend your money wisely,' and to this day, I always try to spend each dollar in a wise investment," commented senior Missy Bliesener.

Whether it was the cuddly pet or the love of their life, seniors found that their charms served a special purpose and gave them a feeling of assurance.

### THE FINAL STEP

"I've had a ring since I was three and during the summer when I played softball, I would always wear it. We won every game except the one I didn't play!"

--Junior Dena Ferrebee

**IS IT A BOY OR A GIRL?** Enjoying the lunchtime entertainment of the Flintstones on Crossover-Dress Day are seniors Mindi Richards, Heidi

Pitcher, Shannon Ostrander and Michelle Sisler. Besides wearing each others clothing, Michelle and Shannon are each others' lucky charms.



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Daniel Hamilton  
Cheryl Hanel  
Mathew Hannahs



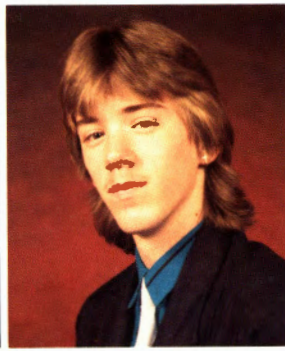
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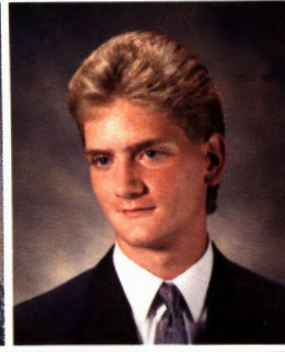




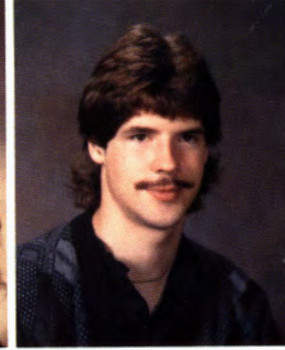
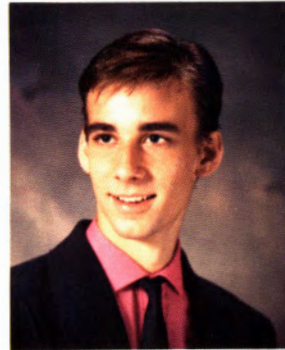
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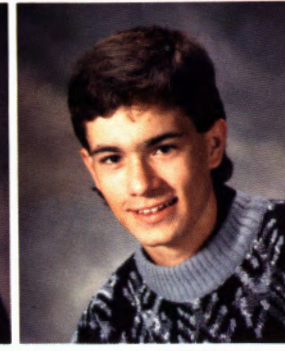
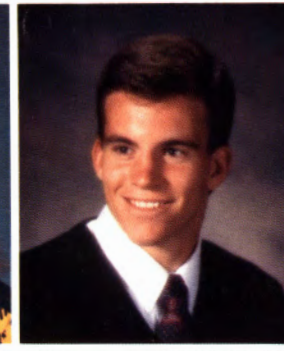
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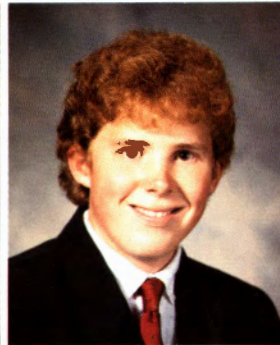
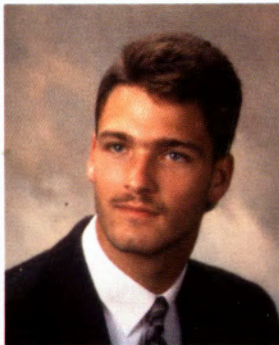
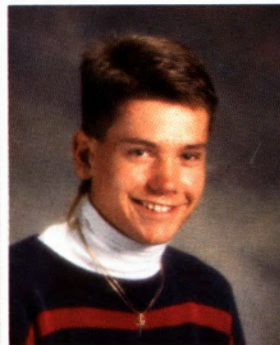
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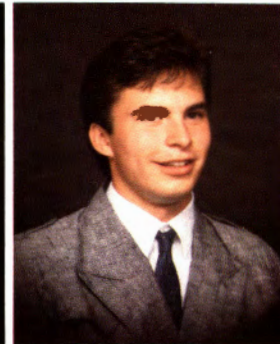
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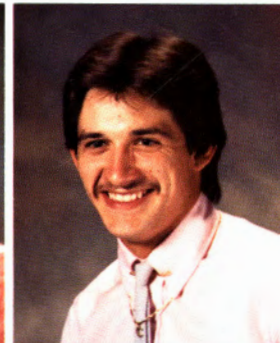
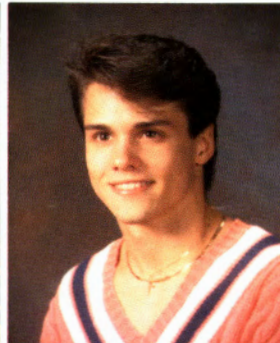
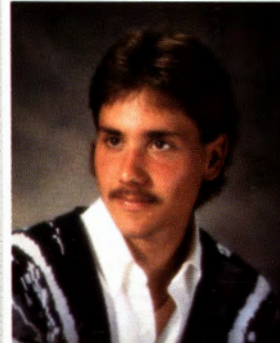
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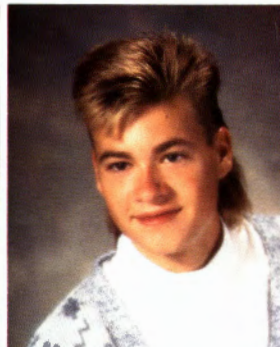
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## THE FINAL STEP

"One evening while I was at work, my co-workers and I got into a food fight with pizza dough, sauce and toppings. Then my boss walked in. We thought we were going to be in deep trouble, but to our surprise, he joined in!"  
--Senior Shawn Herrick

**CROSS DRESSING WITH SPIRIT.** With feminine etiquette evident, seniors John Verlinde and Matt Taylor eat lunch in the cafeteria on

Cross-Dress Day during Spirit Week. The day provided many laughs for students and staff alike, and awards for the most creative female dressers!



# WILD AND CRAZY

## Seniors lighten up!

Why did seniors toilet paper their friends homes, play tag in the hall and dress up in weird costumes to walk around town? Many students agreed that doing something funny relieved the pressures of high school life.

"I was at Cedar Point watching a country show. I was sitting in the front row and this guy on stage was singing 'I Want to Dance With You.' He stuck out his hand like he wanted me to shake it but he pulled me on stage. So I square danced with the country group," admitted senior Davina Ayers.

While funny things often happened unplanned, others were organized beforehand. "Some friends and I toilet papered Darren Craig's house, and with shaving cream, we wrote 'we luv you' on his lawn. He thought the tennis team had done it, so the next day he told me what a professional job

it was. I was tempted to say 'thank you', but I didn't," senior Jean McNease revealed.

Friends often gave students the incentive to do things they normally wouldn't have done. "I had just come back from my brother's body-building competition and I saw a frog in the driveway. Senior Jim Lopez picked it up and dared me to eat it. I told him I would for fifteen dollars. So Jim, Kory Foote and John Verlinde were going to pitch in five dollars each if I did it. I put the frog in my mouth, choked three times and threw it right back up. We have the whole thing video taped!" senior Scott Shassberger recalled.

With all the seriousness that high school presented, seniors found it necessary to shrug off the cloak of responsibility. They found that doing crazy things helped in that process.



# TO LIVE IS TO DREAM

## And to dream is to live!

The smell of paste was hanging in the air as the walls were being covered with handmade holiday decorations. The students were sitting in a circle around the teacher who asked, "What do you want to be when you grow up?"

Many students' childhood career fantasies were related to their home environment. "When I was little, I wanted to be a housewife just like my mom. One year for Christmas I got a complete kitchen set, right down to the dishes. There was never a day when I didn't play house. But now that I'm older, a housewife is the last thing I want to be. I want to major in business and earn lots of money! I admire my mom, but after watching her cook dinner and clean, I want 3 maids and a butler," revealed senior Bridget Elliott.

Other childhood fantasies were motivated by TV programs. "I've always wanted to be a singer. When I was younger, I would sing into my pencil and have contests with my friends. Now that I'm older we don't have contests, but I have to admit, I still sing into the mirror and imagine I'm on stage," confessed senior Missy West.

Some students revealed fantasies inspired by the stone age. "I remember I always wanted to study dinosaurs because I liked to draw and learn about them. But now working with dirt and bones doesn't appeal to me. I think engineering is my field because I like math, science and money," noted senior Sean Burns. Student fantasies about what they wanted to be when they grew up proved that "To live is to dream and to dream is to live!"

### THE FINAL STEP

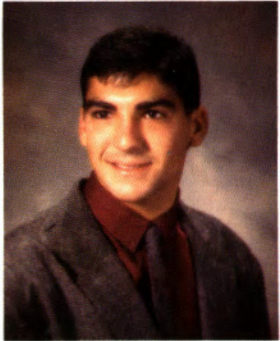
When you were in elementary school, what did you want to be when you grew up?

25% Model/Actor	4% Athlete
18% Singer/Dancer	4% Airline Stewardess/Pilot
16% Veterinarian/Doctor/Dentist	4% Nurse
13% Fireman/Policeman	3% Cowboy
5% Teacher/Librarian	2% Lawyer

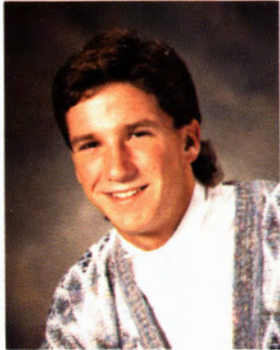
**JUST A FEW POINTERS.** Explaining the finer points of wrestling to a first grade pal is senior Stan Granger. Stan, a varsity wrestler, took time out during a match to teach Justin, a beginner, some of the skills he will need to be a wrestler someday when he is in high school.



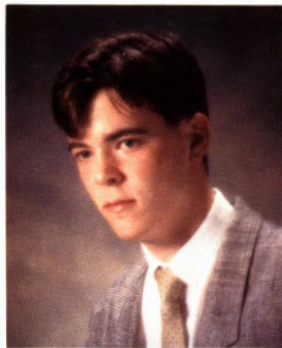
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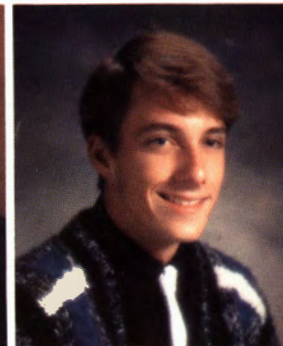
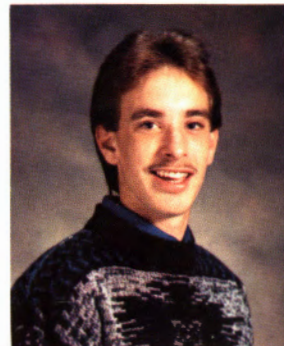
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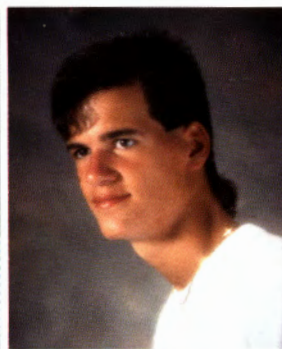
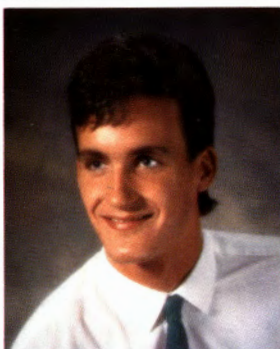
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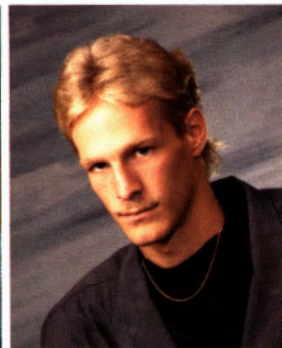
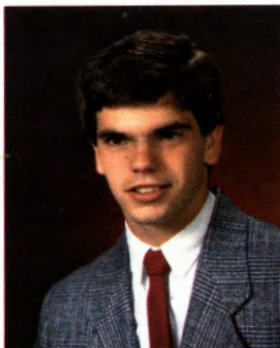
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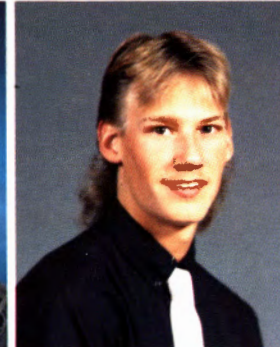
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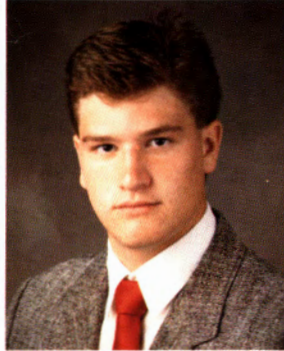
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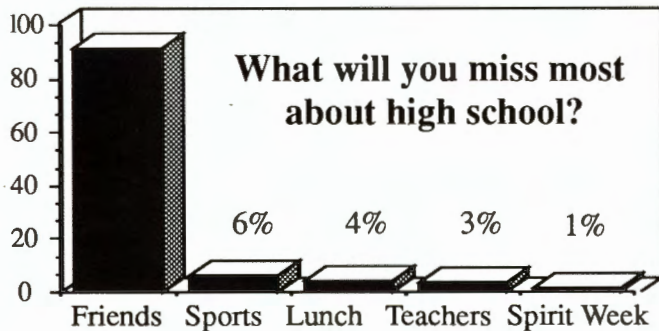


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## THE FINAL STEP



**JUST HANGIN' OUT.** Blowing up balloons, making papier mache rocks, and organizing the senior float preparations were all part of the Sunday

afternoon events for seniors Charlie Lay and Jeremy Kienitz. Their efforts paid off as seniors won the float competition during Spirit Week.



## THE FINAL STEP AT A TIME

### A day in the life of a senior!

From recess in elementary school, to friendships at middle school and junior high, the long climb seemed to take forever. As freshmen and sophomores, some students may have known a few seniors, but their own senior year seemed light years away. Then it happened. Becoming a senior was no longer a dream. It was a reality and along with it, came many duties. There were career decisions to make, senior portraits to be taken and the traditional spring break planned. Just when it was time to relax, graduation open houses were right around the corner.

As seniors went busily about, their last year flew by. Many students wanted to make their last year their best year. They felt they had earned their seniority. "When I have a choice between going out with my friends and doing homework, I ignore my homework because it is my last year and I

want to have fun," commented senior Matt Taylor.

However, for some seniors their last year turned out to be their most dedicated. Kim Hannig revealed, "Everyone tells you how your senior year is a time to celebrate your final days in high school by not being as serious about homework. But now that I am a senior, I realize that there are different duties that you have to be responsible for and it's turned out to be my busiest year."

Participating in more events was also a priority. "I decided to participate in Homecoming for the first time this year. It was great! I can't believe I didn't do it sooner!" exclaimed Mishal Mosely.

As the year came to an end, seniors left old friends and high school experiences. With their diploma in hand, they went on to face a new world of responsibilities, careers and friendships.





# NE LAST LOOK

## A time for refelction

Did it really have to end? Were the pep assemblies, football games, dances, and get-togethers at Burger King really being left behind? It was their last year, and that fact brought about mixed emotions. Senior Jim Lopez explained, "We have to move on, go out on our own and start our own lives. Our parents cannot be our security blankets anymore. It's like starting all over again." On the other hand, senior Stan Granger admitted, "I am relieved because I can focus on what I want to do in life and make my own decisions."

Senior year provided many students a chance to experience the enthusiasm of Spirit Week. Senior Brad Brookens revealed, "I felt more a part of Spirit Week as a senior. The spirit never stopped." Senior Brent Hunter agreed, "It was an endless party, I didn't do any homework that week." Upperclassmen took the opportunity to let go, and be far

from the ordinary. Chris Clark explained, "I always have an excuse for my actions. I'm a senior!"

Seniors also took special note of their last sporting events. Knowing that it was the last game to be played with teammates had its effect on players. Senior Kristin Schuette remembered, "After four years of tennis, I felt like I was losing a best friend." Other seniors were especially noteful of the occasion as senior Brian Woods revealed, "I stopped and looked at what was going on and tried to get a mental picture of it to save forever."

Knowing that their high school career was coming to an end, seniors were busy creating their memories for the future. Senior Amy Parkhouse summarized, "Knowing that all these events were our last ones made us want to get more into it. We knew we wouldn't have another chance to do it again."

## THE FINAL STEP

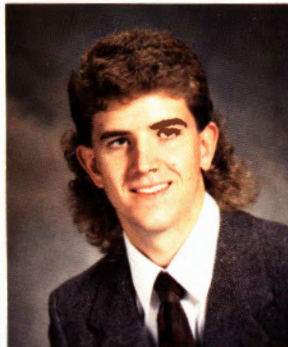
**"I tried to make the most of every day and every event. I even made sure to remember that the first day of school was the last first day I would experience!"**

*--Senior Allison Wilbur*

**ONE LAST STRIDE.** Charging out of the locker room onto Everett's field for the final time, an expression of determination on the seniors' faces foreshadowed the gridders crushing 27-14 victory over the Vikings.



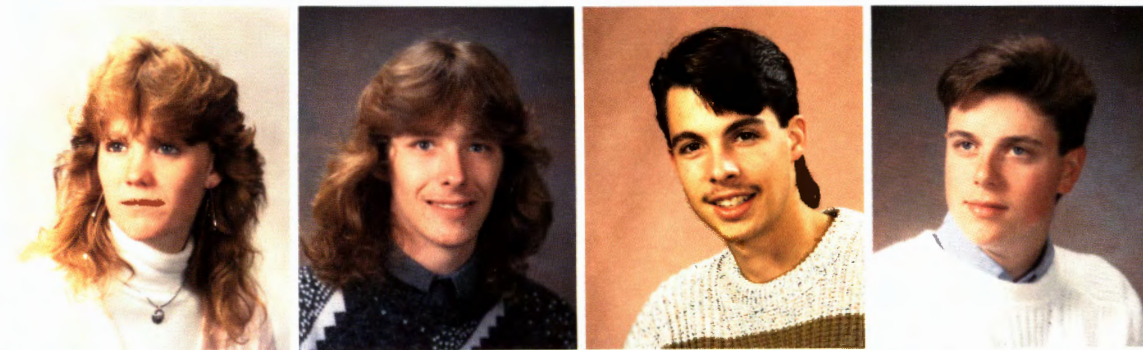
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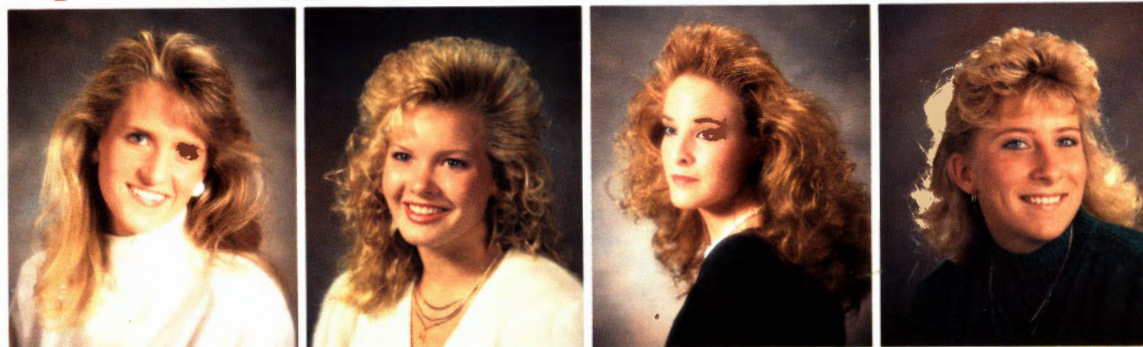
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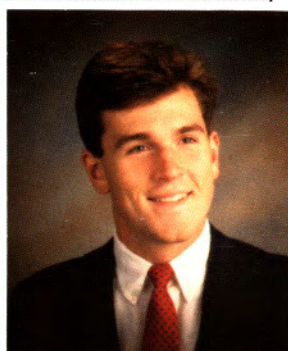
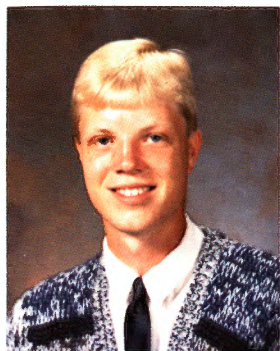


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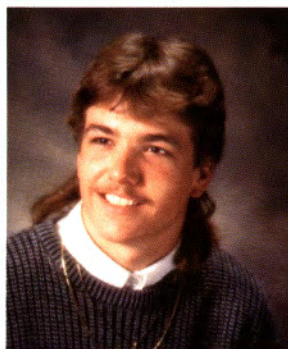
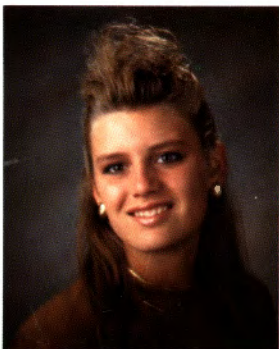
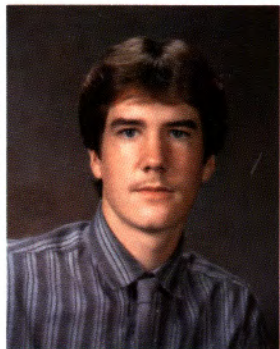




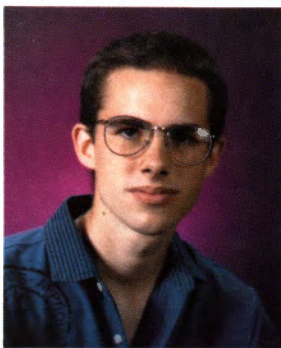
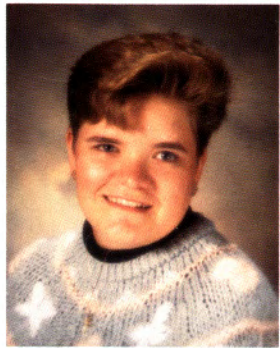
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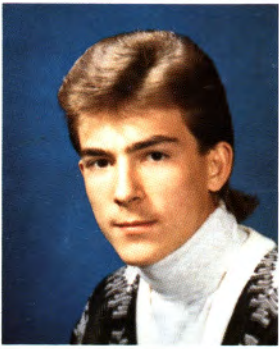
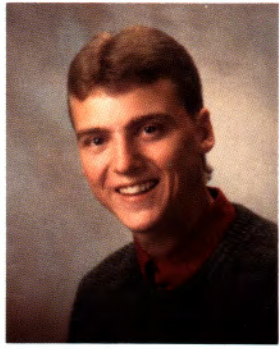
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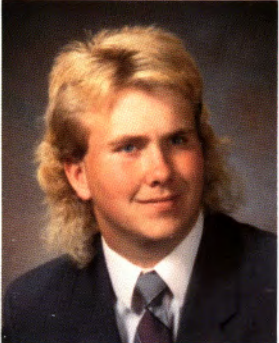
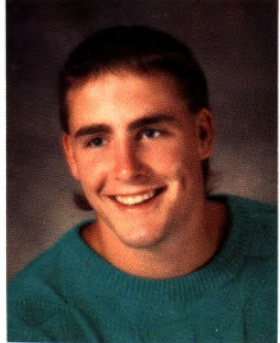
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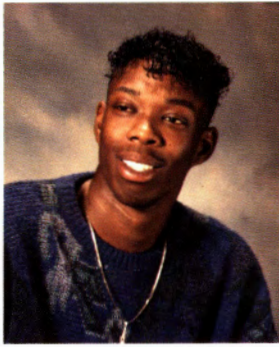
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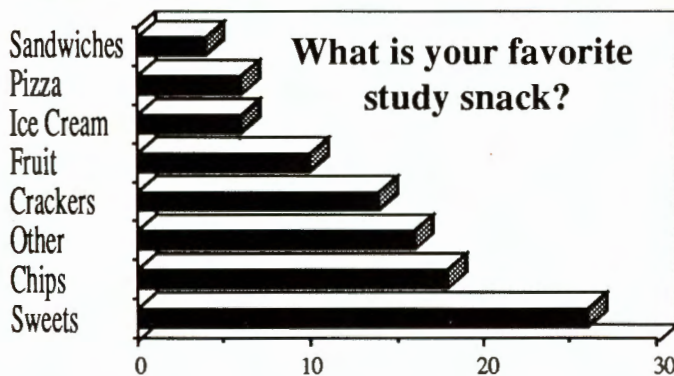


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## THE FINAL STEP



**'YOU DESERVE A BREAK TODAY.'** Taking time out from writing grueling CPS essays are seniors Jill Hartley and Trisha Lennox. Many

students found that they could concentrate on their homework better with a full stomach and the benefits outweighed the costs.



## GETTING A MUNCHIE FIX

**Seniors hit the refrigerator when they hit the books!**

From green olives to poptarts and fruit wrinkles to fried onions, students craved the exotic as well as the ordinary fare while studying. For those who put in long hours over the books, snacking was a part of their nightly homework ritual.

"I snack while I'm studying because half of the time I have so much homework I don't eat dinner! I just grab something that is easy to eat and not messy, and study at the same time without taking a break," revealed senior Melinda Smith.

The reasons students snacked while studying ranged from the need for energy to habit, or to satisfy a real hunger.

"Snacking gives me something to do. I mean *really*, who can just sit there and study?" senior Bridgett Elliott commented. Offering another explanation, senior Jennifer VanAlstine added, "I snack while studying to keep my mouth occupied. It

keeps me from talking to myself!"

Because of weight gain, some wished they could eliminate their study craves. Everyone knew what too much snacking could do to thighs and stomachs. "I wish I could curb my craves because the more I have to study the more weight I gain!" complained senior Stacie Clark.

However, some students felt their craves provided benefits. "Snacking helps me study because it fills my stomach and makes me more content so I can concentrate," senior Nikki Miller stated. Senior Wendi Rich felt differently as she noted, "Snacking doesn't help me study. I usually end up forgetting about my homework and concentrate on eating!" Senior Dale Streeter agreed. "Eating doesn't help me study. Studying helps me eat!"

Regardless of what they munched on, or for what reason, almost all students hit the refrigerator when they hit the books!





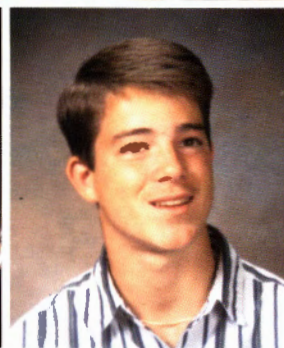
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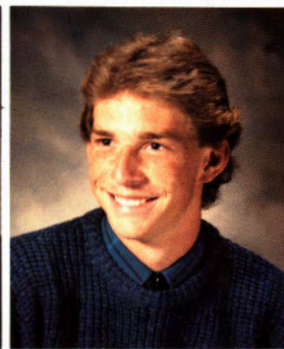
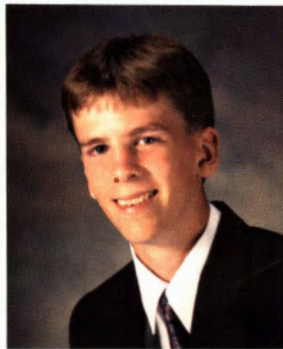
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Peter Zehnder







**FAREWELL FRIENDS.** Graduating senior John Feland reads a poem he wrote that fit the occasion of the Baccalaureate Service held in Pernert Auditorium, June 3. This was John's first year at Holt, but he quickly made it home and enjoyed an involved year.

**SERVICE FOR SENIORS.** Painting the Senior Class Motto on a banner to be hung in the Gym for Senior Breakfast is junior Lisa Newberry, while junior Corinda Cottom observes. The project was completed in Art Seminar class after several days of work.



## THE FINAL STEP

**"I didn't realize how fast my high school years went by until I got to Senior Breakfast. All of a sudden it hit me; I would never have to go back to high school."**

*--Senior Anne Smith*

**MOVIN' ON.** Out of one school and into the next. Graduating senior Amy Parkhouse takes the final step as she changes position of her tassle signal-

ing she has graduated. Several seniors, excited about beginning their college careers, revealed on their caps, their next destination.



## ACKWARD GLANCES

### Seniors Say Goodbye

There they were, the seniors. For over twelve years many of them had been best friends. They shared with each other what they will never experience again, high school meals. So they gathered one last time for Senior Breakfast.

"I was really surprised to see how many people came to Senior Breakfast. It was kind of sad to realize that it was the last time we could all be together as a group, and talk," explained senior Missy Bliesener.

Along with mournful good-byes, many seniors were overcome with relief to know that they were all through. "I didn't real-

ize how fast my high school years went by until I got to senior breakfast. All of a sudden it hit me. I would never have to go back to high school," related senior Anne Smith.

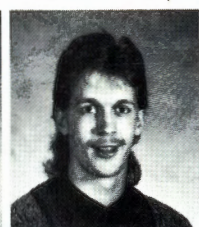
The breakfast was planned by Mrs. Jan Eberly, and hosted by the seniors parents. The meal consisted of quiche, fruit, donut holes, and juice. The breakfast was followed by commencement practice.

Senior Breakfast, however, proved to be more than just another meal. It was a time for students to say goodbye to one another, and remember the years they shared.

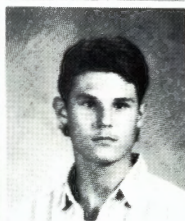
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## Capture the person who captures your heart!

"Do you think he saw me that time or should I drive by again?" "Try it again but go slower to give him a chance to notice. You have to get his attention if you want him to know you're interested." Everyone at one time or another wanted to be noticed by a special someone of the opposite sex. What do you do to get a special person to notice you?

"I care more about what I look like when I start liking someone. I get up earlier in the morning to have extra time to get ready."

*Junior Shannon Friedman*

"I show up at places where he might be. For example, if I heard that the person that I had a crush on was at McDonalds, I would

hurry up and go there."

*Junior Denya Shimnoski*

"I walk by his locker more often and make sure he sees me every time."

*-- Junior Angie Hinds*

"All I can do is fantasize about

the girl because I am involved in a long relationship with another girl. If I made any further advances I would be in big trouble."

*--Junior Mike VanFossen*

"I do almost anything to get a girl's phone number, but after I have it I never get the courage to

call her." *--Junior Trevor Wilcox*

"I tell a girl that I don't understand the assignments that were given in class and ask for her help. Once you have gotten their sympathy, they're hooked."

*--Junior Nick Reeser*



**THE LOOK OF LOVE.** Exchanging smiles and feelings are

sophomore couple, Apryl Berg and Scott Hadwin, during lunch. These two students have

managed to stay a pair throughout the dating sophomore year.

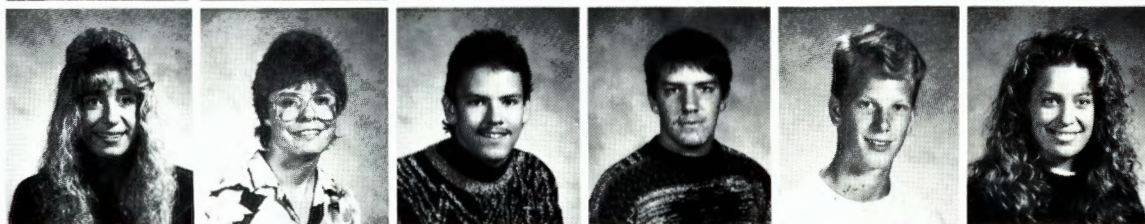




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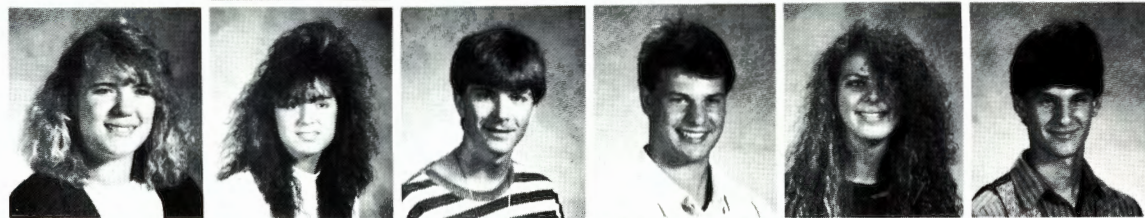
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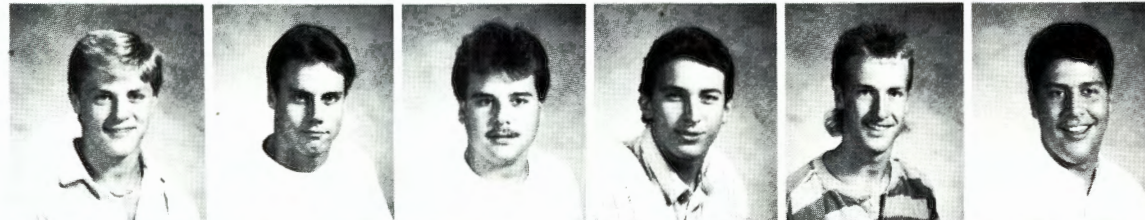
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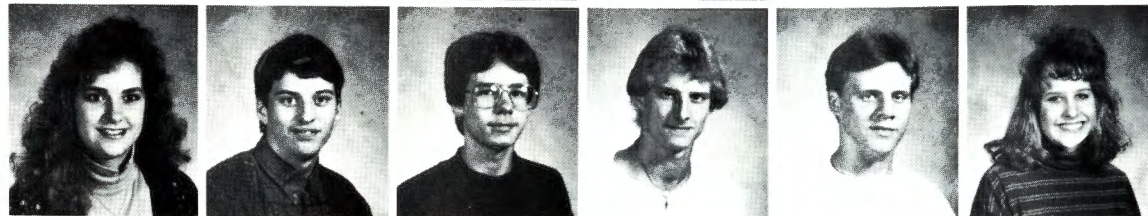
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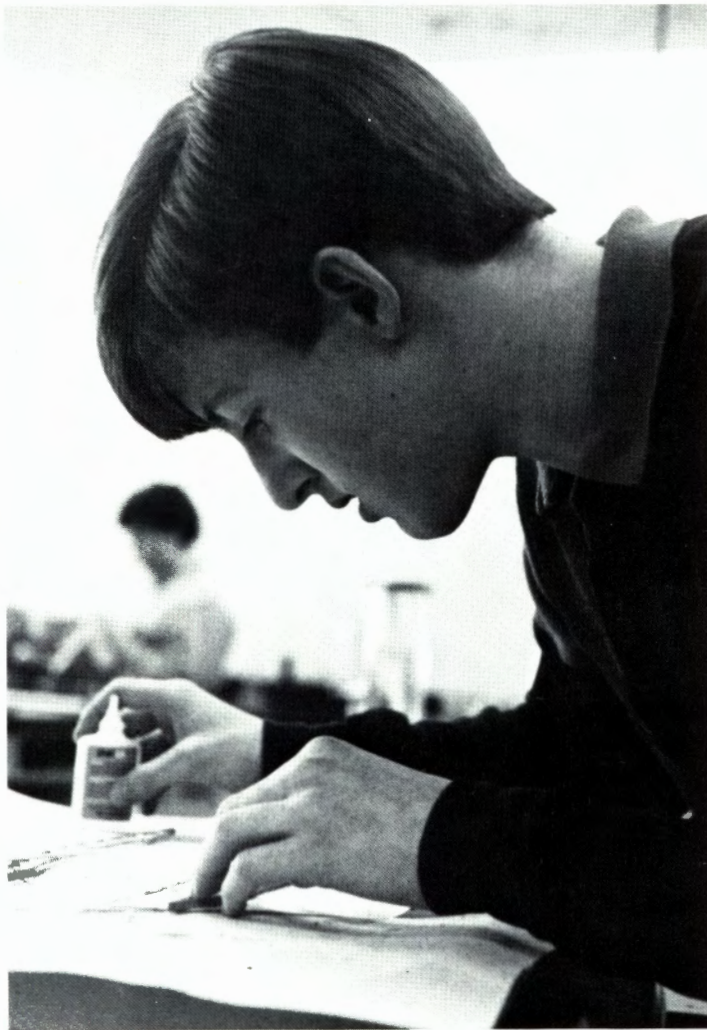
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**BRIDGE OVER TROUBLED WATER.** Constructing an intricate bridge for a Science Olympiad competition is sophomore Jim Hines. Along with

many students, Jim enjoys tinkering with complex objects, whether it be stereos, watches or bikes.

## HALFWAY up

## Gadget Fever!

Bobby Sherman.

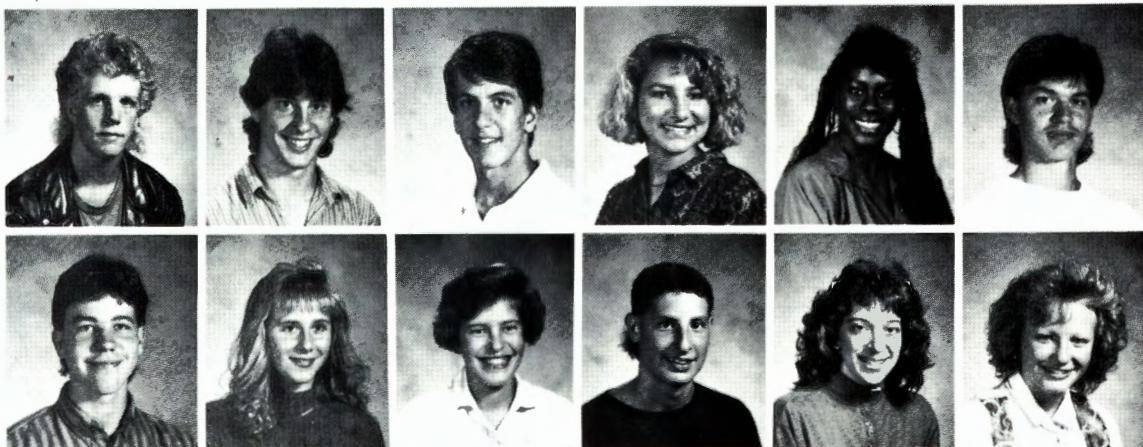
On Sunday nights most students could be found watching the popular sit-com, "The Simpsons." However, believe it or not, there were some students that would rather fidget with intricate objects than sit around and absorb waves from the TV. Whether it was to figure out what makes the object tick, or just simply fixing them, these amazing teenagers had the abilities to go beyond the metal and springs, and even the wire. Junior Don Bellows admitted, "I can fix almost any kind of bike but I would rather put together and fix skateboards."

Of course it was not only guys that had this curiosity. A few girls were interested in what they would reveal when they disassembled certain gadgets. "Whenever my parents have problems with a watch, they come to me and I fix it," revealed junior

These great minds, however, didn't stop with watches and skateboards. There was always the stereo, a CD player or walkman to explore. Junior Lenny Convis explained, "I like the challenge of fidgeting with bigger items such as a stereo. It keeps me interested long enough to try and put it back together."

For the imaginative, this was a very time consuming hobby. However, many parents encouraged their teenager to keep up with the activity. "My parents encourage me to do what makes me happy. They really don't mind as long as it doesn't interfere with my school work," noted junior Chris Wheelock.

Watches or skateboards, girls or guys, no matter what or who they were, many students time was eaten away by aggravation and determination to figure out every last intriguing part of an intricate gadget.



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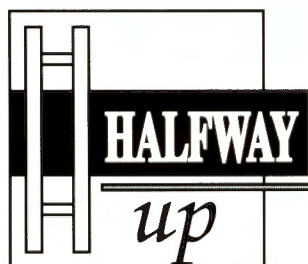
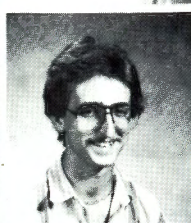
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## Two of a Kind!

Is it Rover's big nose, the way he waddles down the sidewalk, or how he slurps his water? It's not exactly clear, but something about Rover oddly resembles... me! Pets, those treasured pals, seemed to strangely clone their owners in some very obvious ways. "It came out of your stomach! You must have given birth to it, because you two are so alike, my mom always tells me. Bo-Bo, my cream colored French poodle has standing ears just like my puffy hair. And we have the same big, baggy, sad, eyes too. Bo-Bo has to have the most expensive toys, and food. He is so picky that he would choose caviar over Puppy Chow!" laughed sophomore Loretta Bowen.

Many beloved animals even mimicked their owner's actions. "My dog, Fluffy, always eats, just like I do! It doesn't matter if we are hungry or not. Sometimes we can be picky, but basically we really like to pig out!" admitted senior Krista Bowman.

Another quality noticed

was a goal achieved by students and their creatures. "When I was five or six, I hated my baby-sitter because she never paid attention to me or my dog, Misty and I ALWAYS whined whenever we wanted anything, but she just kept watching her soaps. I'd run to my room with Misty and cry to her, 'You've always loved me, haven't you Misty?' Soon I'd come out and tell my baby-sitter, 'Misty hates your guts,' because I was too scared to tell her that I did. So I would go back with Misty and cry some more until it was time for my parents to come home. Both of us could be seen staring out the window waiting for them, unlike most houses where just the dog is watching. The minute they pulled into the driveway, we both jumped up and started dancing because we were so happy to see them!" exclaimed junior Mike Ettinger.

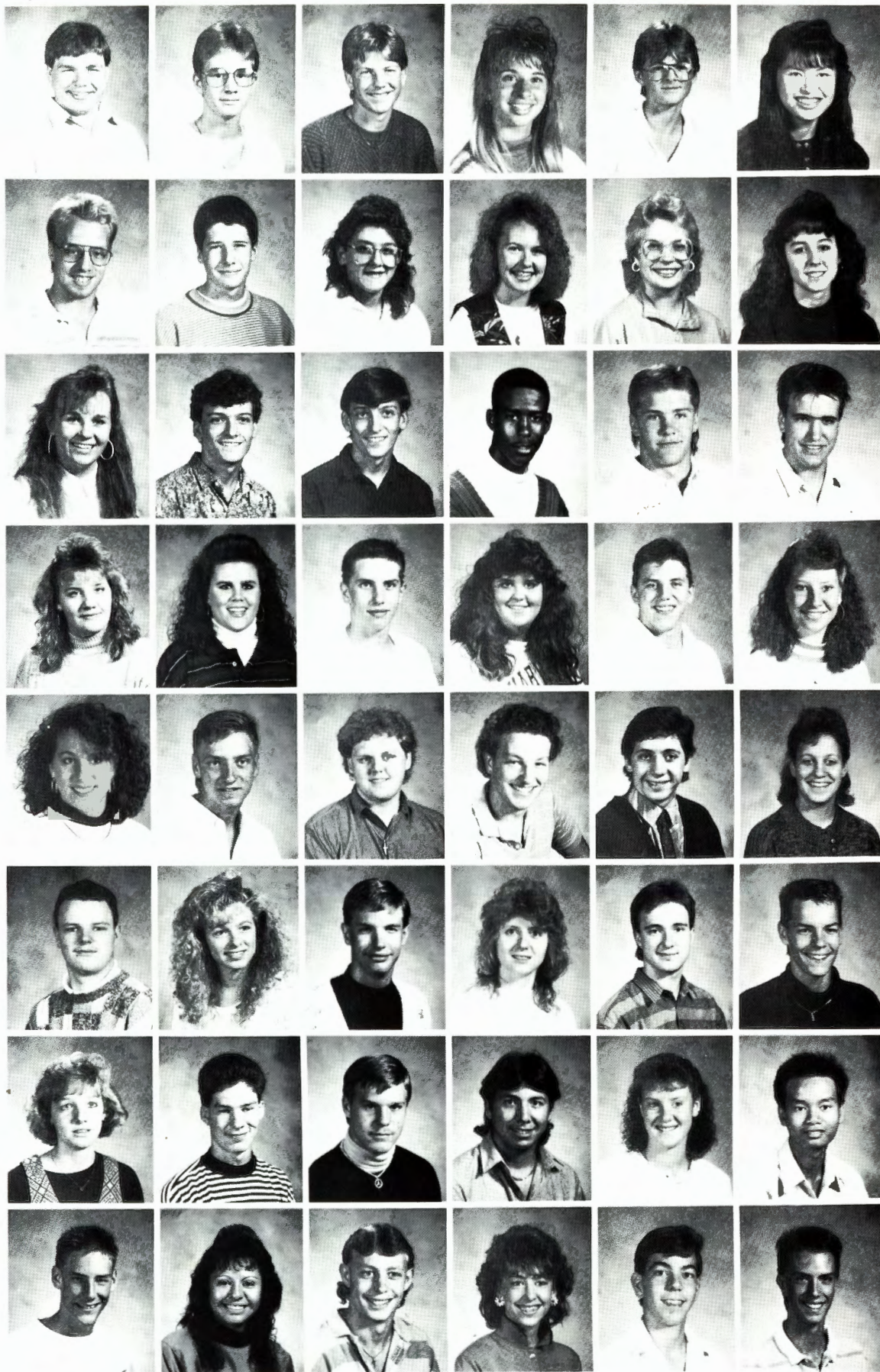
Pet owners also found a unique part of themselves within their loving pets which created a special bond of friendship between them. "Everyday, Mitzie watches out the window for my brother Eric and I to come home. The minute that we are in the door,



she jumps up almost to the ceiling, then back down on us! It makes me look forward to coming home because she is my best friend," reflected junior T.J. Farnum. A pet, as trusted friend, will always reflect their owner's love, returning it in double the amount.

**SNOOZIN' WITH THE POOCH.** Look alikes junior Scott Trimmer and friend, Cocoa, engage in an afternoon nap. Many students enjoyed the extra warmth their pets offered while sleeping.





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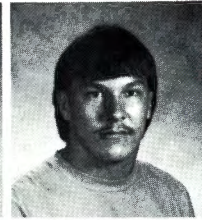
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 Joanne Taylor  
 Scott Taylor  
 Daniel Teed  
 David Thielen  
 Craig Thill







**DECISIONS, DECISIONS!**  
Searching for 'skids' at Silvermans is senior Nicki Miller in the Meridian Mall. Since many teenage girls feel

they never have enough clothing, dreams of winning the lottery offer the only hope of filling up the bottomless pit of their purses.

## HALFWAY up

*We're in  
the Money!*

Bruining.

A candy-apple red porsche? A Beverly Hills shopping spree? An overflowing bank account? What would you do with your bundle of green if you won the lottery?

"I would first finish school and then I would buy a deserted island by Australia and move there," revealed sophomore Marc Kuebler.

Exotic countries and hot vacation spots were on some young world travelers' minds, while others preferred to live-it-up closer to home. "I'd buy a local concert hall and invite masses of people and popular bands who wanted to play any type of music," explained Conrad Williams.

Spending huge amounts of money on a modern 'Woodstock' was idealistic to some, whereas others preferred to strive for their lifetime goals. "I would buy my parents a mansion in the place of their choice, save for Harvard Law School, and then journey onto a colossal shopping spree," exclaimed sophomore Robyn

future preparations, others chose to use the money to solve present dilemmas. "I would contribute to my church and family, especially my father so he can have the best medical care possible," admitted Camie Fillion.

With a similar idea in mind, The Golden Rule, sophomore Crystal Chappell revealed, "I'd give to the homeless and other organizations who actually need the money. I never would make myself rich if it meant others would become poor."

Getting into the giving spirit was top priority to some students, while others would purchase materilistic goodies for themselves. "I would purchase a new car, go shopping, travel, then save the rest," stated sophomore Nichole Clark.

Although many students' purchases varied from buying out Bloomingdales to aiding Greenpeace, they all wanted to do one thing—and that was...Buy! Buy !Buy!

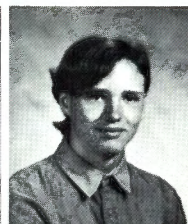


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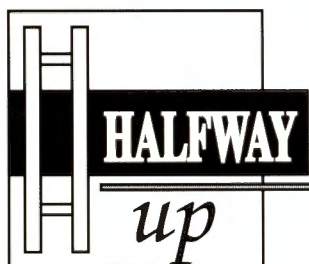
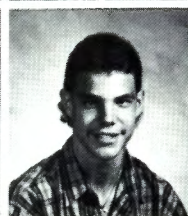
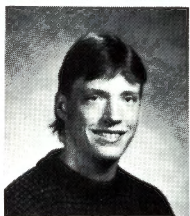
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Michelle Wagner  
Jacob Waidelich  
Joanne Walker



Matthew Warncke  
David Washburn  
Christopher Weaver  
Tami Wharton  
Christopher Wheelock  
Melissa Widman



## Changes in the making!

Daydreams of bulging biceps, thinner thighs, and sparkling personalities flittered through many students' minds. Some wished that the simple rub of the genie's magic lamp could produce the transformation. The request for change varied with each sophomore, but they ranged from physical appearance to personal philosophies.

"I would change the things I'm trying to do. I would like to do them better and more efficiently," stated sophomore Richelle Cramer.

"I would be taller so people wouldn't be looking down on me, then I could look at them eye to eye," explained sophomore Annie Hartman.

"I would change the way I look at life. I take it for granted now and I don't pay attention to the small details in my life," confided sophomore Tafie Finch.

Some people changed for themselves, but others used the generosity of the genie to change for others.

"I wish I was more athletic

because my father runs in marathons," revealed sophomore Renee Spillet. Sophomore Jim McCabe added, "I would change my attitude towards people. I don't like to hurt their feelings."

Though some people had twinkling personalities, many wished to polish them up and turn them into sparkling personalities such as sophomore David Eggert as he revealed, "I would try to be more outgoing and not be embarrassed in front of people."

Sophomore Lisa Dodson expressed, "I wish I wasn't so shy because I want to get to know more people."

Sophomore Kerry Uhler said, "I would want to change my features. I want greener eyes, straighter hair, and maybe a few inches in height" "I want to be a little taller--maybe four inches, so I'll make a better model," responded Michelle Czubak.

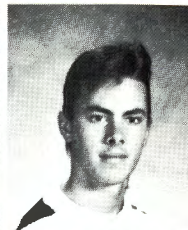
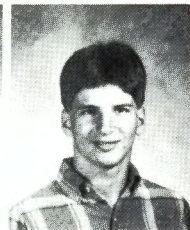
For some the choice was a fantasy and for others it was a reality, but a select few chose not to alter themselves. "I would not change anything, I like the way I am!" exclaimed



sophomore Thang Tran. Sophomore Kama Kepler added musingly, "I wouldn't change anything. Even though I'm not the most beautiful person in the world I'm happy with myself."

**IN A DREAM...** Appearing to fantasize, but actually happy with herself, is sophomore Kama Kepler as she plays a lead role in the fall drama, "Play On."

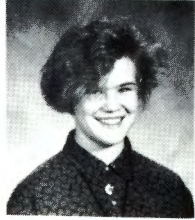




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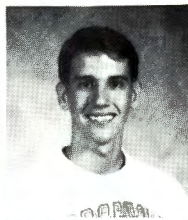
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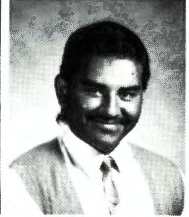
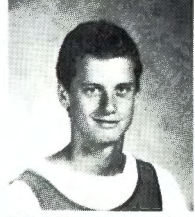
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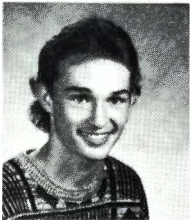
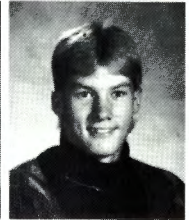
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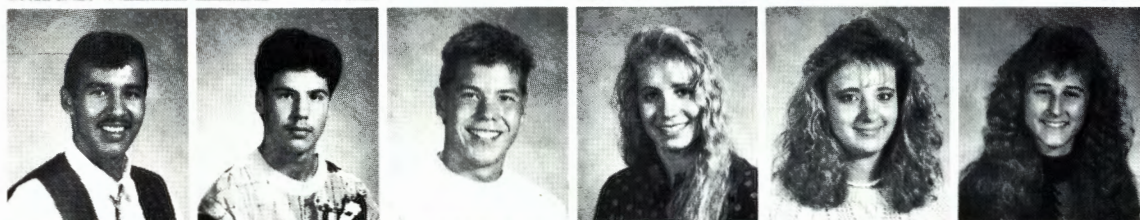
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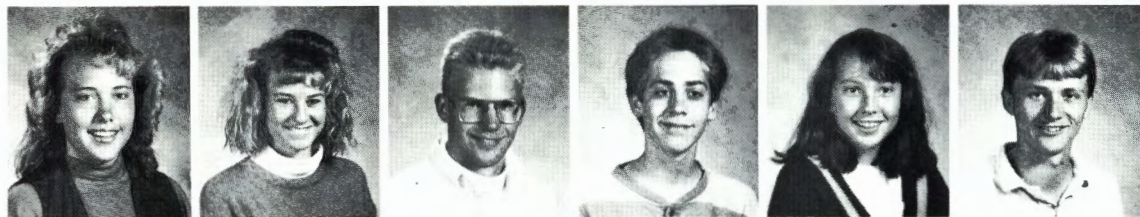
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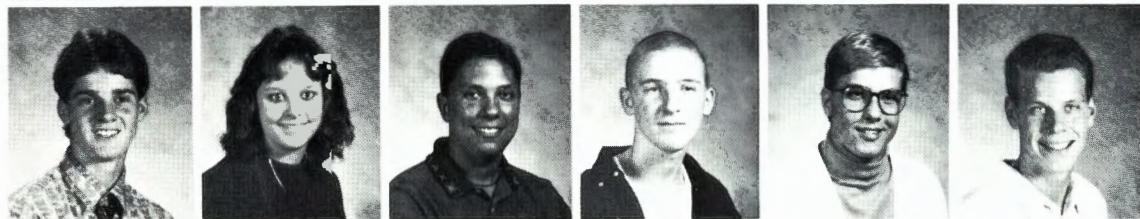
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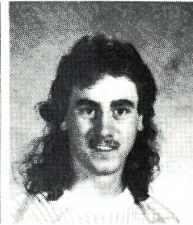
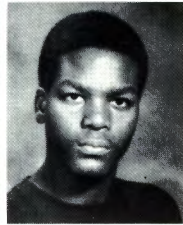
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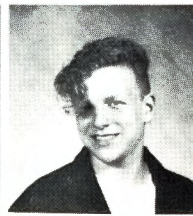
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Heather Fletcher  
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**MILLION DOLLAR ART.** Wanting to come back as a millionaire after death, junior Shannon Kost works on her graphic design project at the Edu-

cation Fair. A friend, Nicole Kistler, looks on. Who knows, maybe Shannon will make a million selling her projects and live the dream so many students crave!

## The Bottom rung

## Second Time Around!

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be born into royalty, wealth or even as a dolphin? When students were asked what they would come back as after death, they came up with responses ranging from the predictable to the crazy.

—Junior Andrea Willett

“I would come back as a wiser more aware person so I could avoid all of life’s downfalls and live a happy life.”

—Junior Katrina Lehnart

“I think it would be neat to come back as a bird. That way I could fly anywhere, including Florida.”

“I would want to be born into royalty. I would be able to live a glamorous life and not worry about things when I go shopping.”

—Junior JoAnn Taylor

“A dolphin because they are as intelligent as human beings and they live in a more complex environment.”

—Junior Andrea Bird

“I would come back as a millionaire so I could have all the money I want.”

—Junior Shannon Kost

“A Kangaroo because they jump high and I would be able to make all my shots in basketball.”

—Junior Kristy Purchase



# The Bottom rung

## Name that Morning!

"Yesterday...All my troubles seemed so far away... Now I know they're here to stay...Oh, I believe in yesterday." Sound familiar? Facing a new day took more strength than most sophomores thought they could muster.

"I have to fight with myself to wake up in the morning, so I feel like *Superman* in 'Superman II' when he battled over keeping his love life or super powers," confided Jim Hines.

It wasn't hard for sophomores to put a title on their mornings, and most agreed that the average 47 minutes was not enough time to wake themselves up and get going out of a death-like sleep.

"The movie *Dawn of the Dead* describes me in the morning because I walk around for quite a while like a zombie until I am finally wide-awake, revealed Jeri Ketchum.

Other sophomores were close to, but not quite, dead in the morning. "*Coma* would be the title for my mornings because I'm not quite awake," commented Matt Stornant.

Some students simply claimed to be tired, but the majority of sophomores—from the dead to

the comatose to the sleepy—dreaded mornings.

"I really dread mornings because by the time I actually wake myself up and get halfway around, my entire morning is *Gone With the Wind*," complained J.J. Hunter.

Many sophomores felt that

morning rituals were a waste of their time. "*Pee Wee's Big Adventure* sums up my mornings because his ritual is so pointless, especially since it's going to start all over again the next day," concluded sophomore Koralie Hill.



**WAKE ME WHEN IT'S OVER!** Catching some lost winks in Mr. Kutney's class,

is a student who had trouble facing the morning and being identified. Needless

to say, he had to catch up on what was missed from a classmate.

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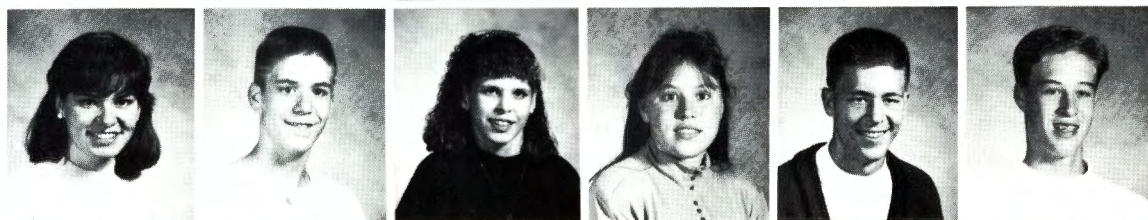
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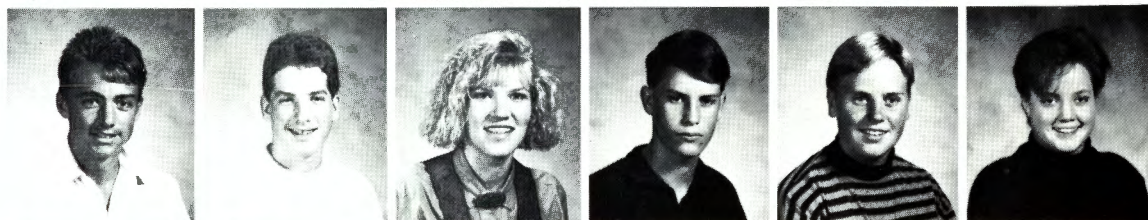




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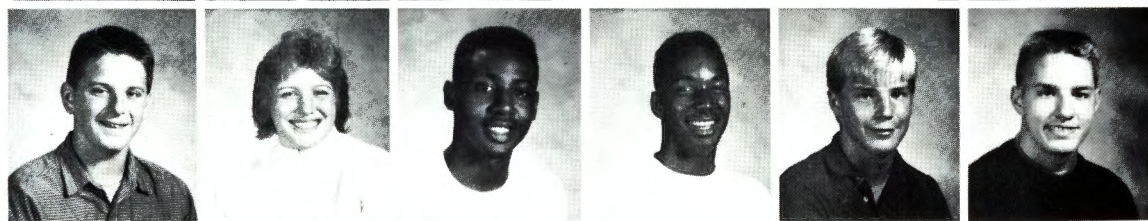
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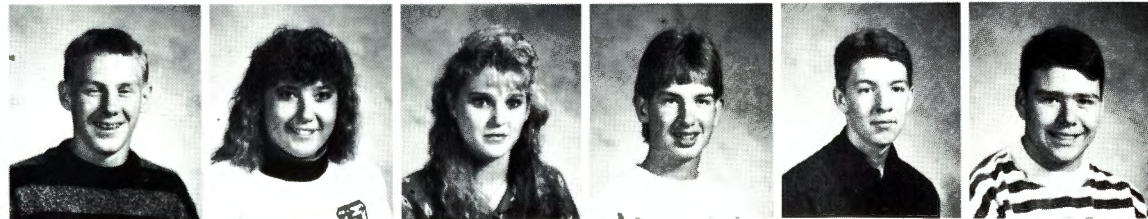
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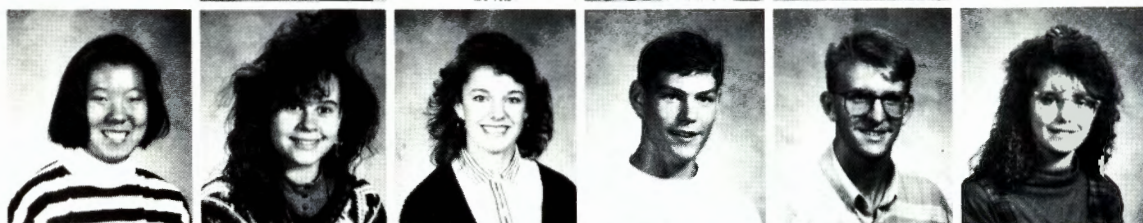
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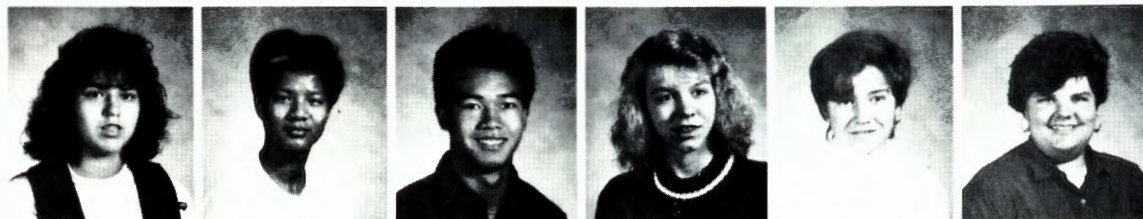
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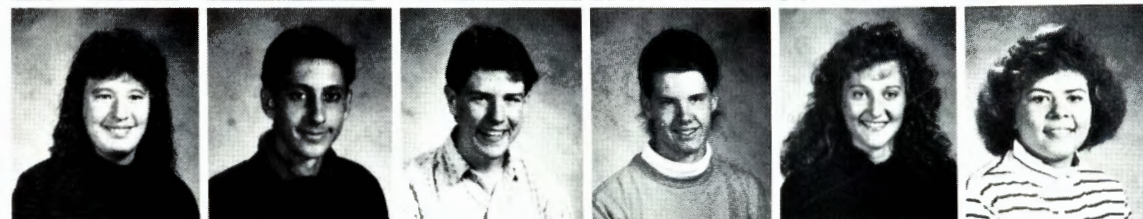
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## The Bottom rung

## Age old birthday wish!

"Happy birthday to you! Happy birthday to you! Happy birthday to youuuu...Happy birthday to you!" How old are you? How old would you want to be if the choice was yours? Six, fifteen, seventy-two?

"I would want to be 21 forever because I would be independent and have more freedom. Also, I'd be young looking forever," stated sophomore Kerry Uhler.

Sophomore Marc Kuebler agreed. "I'd probably want to be around the age of 22 because you're still young, yet you're also considered an adult."

While some students wanted to venture into adulthood with freedom and independence, others preferred the security and assurance of an earlier age.

"I'd want to be nine because you're old enough to do things on your own, but you don't have the responsibilities of teenagers and adults," sophomore Janie Lay explained.

Sophomore Loretta Bowen

felt the same way as she commented, "I'd want to be six because it was my first year to carry a sack lunch. Also, I had no worries except being the tallest in my class."

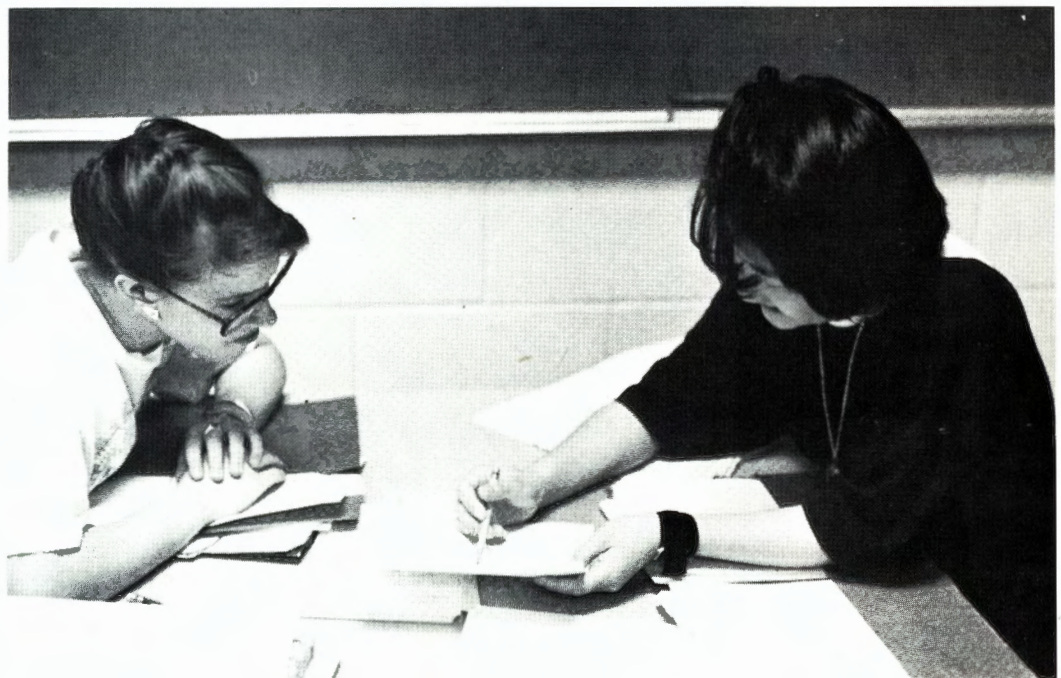
Unlike some who wanted to change their age, many sophomores preferred to remain the age

they were.

"I would like to stay 15 or 16 because I don't want to get older and yet I don't want to be a 'little kid' again," stated sophomore Ann Simons.

Sophomore Sara Faculak agreed as she explained, "I would want to be 16 because

you're more in charge of your life and you have more freedom like driving and going out." Unfortunately, birthdays kept coming every year, even though the dream of one age forever never faded away.



**SWEET SIXTEEN FOREVER!** Using their years of schooling to create a unique angle for their copy are sophomores Crys-

stal Chappell and Sara Faculak, who wants to remain sweet 16 forever. During Publications class students took charge of their

work and themselves, to make the most of their freedom and class time.



# The Bottom rung

## Getting in gear!

From Bobby Brown pants to state-of-the-art mechanical pencils...black suede shoes to solar powered calculators...14 carat gold chains to recyclable paper clips...students geared up for school supplies.

Starting the first day, making outstanding impressions were goals of many students, especially sophomores who strived to get a step-up in high school life. "I like to look good and first impressions count the most," stated sophomore Alexandra Layman.

While some students strove to be the fashion plate, others chose a more natural look, "I'm satisfied to just be myself," exclaimed sophomore Delan Howard.

Some pondered whether to wear high-top Nike Airs or the basic brown Bass loafers. Others decided to charm students with their 'old reliables.' "My shredded, colorful

jean jacket is my favorite article of clothing. It reflects my personality, style, and likings," explained senior Amy White.

Others hoped their creative styles would bring out the "smarts," as well as some attention to them. "My favorite shirt has a picture of Richard Nixon on it and when you push a button, the nose lights up," revealed junior

Brett Wilmore.

On the other hand, drug store necessities helped keep students prepared to face the challenges to come. "It's almost essential to have perforated paper! Without it, your homework is a fringe confetti mess!" exclaimed sophomore Jamie McGoldrick. Sophomore Tammi Wardwell added, "I always need a nice long pencil

with a crisp eraser to start off each day."

Even though school equipment was a big issue for some students, others worried more about facing the three 'T's—teachers, tests, and turmoil! But with the right organizational tools, skills and luck, students got themselves through the year.



**CAUTION: MINDS AT WORK!** In the library, junior Quentin Leverich and

student teacher, Ms. Ballentine put their pencils, calculators and minds to use as

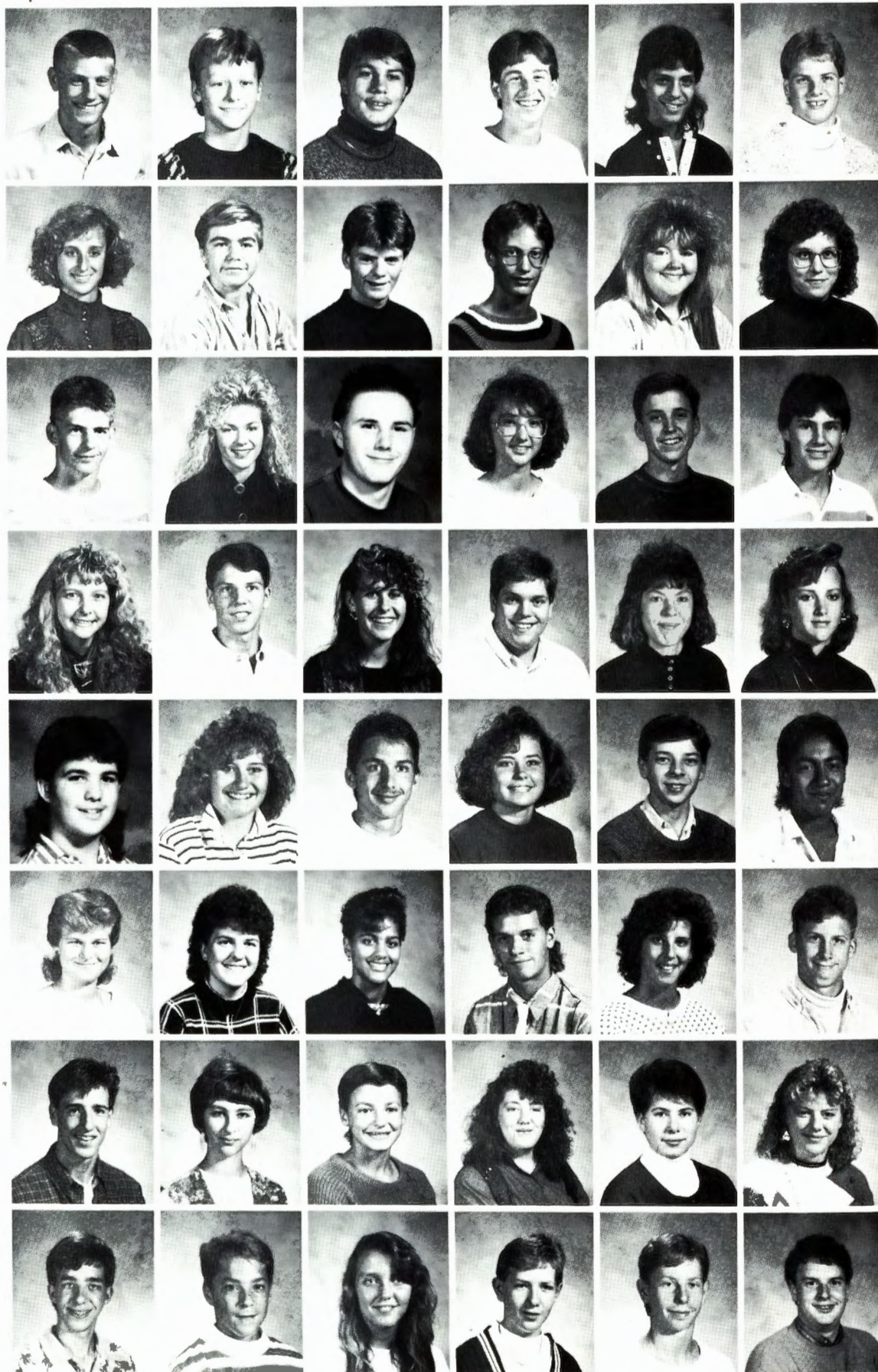
they gear up for sociology.

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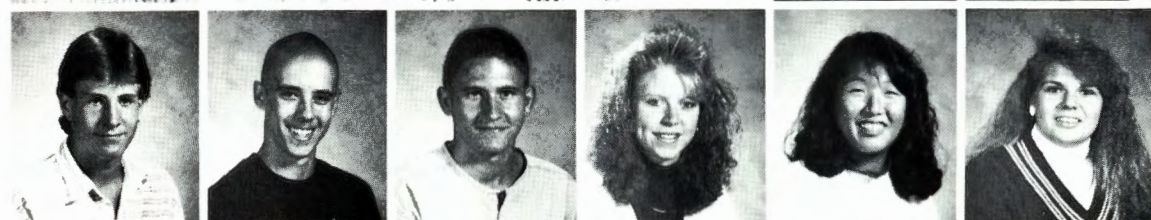
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## Juniors Not Pictured

Larry Buschhorn  
Scott Chamberlain  
Sandy Hayes  
Henry Jones  
Shannon Kanouse  
Jason Nelson



**A QUIET MOMENT.** Taking a break from everyday activities are best friends seniors Christel Clark and Jody Canfield. The two found that quiet chats helped strengthen their friendship.

Kevin Placer  
Robert Sherman  
Trisha Sherman  
Candice Thomas  
Michael VanFossen  
Julie Williams

## Sophomores Not Pictured

Daniel Barber  
Amy Donat  
Amber Houghton  
Julie Manko

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Scott Musell  
Jason Parks  
Adam Robson  
Heath Thurman  
John Wallace  
Paul Walton  
Samuel Wright  
Shawn Wright



**HOLY BAT BUDDIES.** Decked out in their treasured Batman memorabilia are sophomore Tony Cruz and junior Quentin Leverich. The two

friends collected everything from Batman comic books and toys to clothing and flags.

## The Bottom rung

What ever happened to that old ragged "wanky" or the fuzzy one eyed teddy? Most students found their treasures all bundled up in the attic. However, few people have forgotten such memories of their favorite comforters when they were asked "What childhood treasures will you never get rid of?"

"I will never get rid of my fishing pole because I caught my first fish with it. Also, I wont give up my Pooh Bear. It just sits up on my shelf and reminds me of a guardian angel.

--Junior Shane Lounsberry

"When I was nine years old, I entered a drawing contest and won a prize. I had a choice of many different toy's but a round "see and say"

## Priceless Treasures!

caught my eye. I still have it today and sometimes I find myself tugging at the string and listening to the cow say "moo".

--Junior Debbie Thomas

"I still have a green and white blanket that my aunt made for me. It used to help me forget about sucking my thumb."

--Junior Keri McPhall

"Two of the most important treasures that I could never get rid of are my diary and pictures of my friends. Both hold many irreplaceable memories."

--Junior Robbyn Hoffman

"I have this four-inch yellow teddy bear with a blue bow around his neck that I would never give up. He was a gift from our sponsors when I came to America. He is still sitting on my desk at home. He was my first teddy."

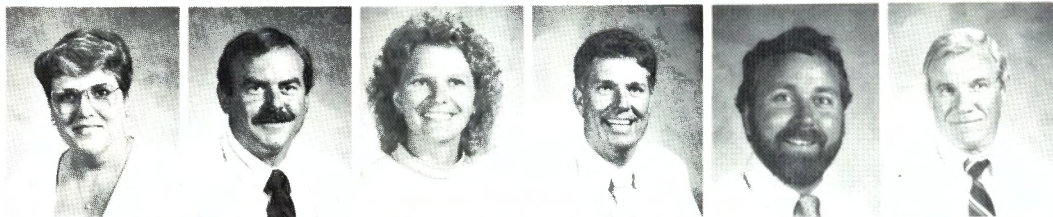
--Junior Binh Lu



Leo Allaire, Industrial Arts/Social Science  
 Ronald Allen, Fine Arts  
 Dorothy Anderson, Fine Arts  
 Sally Beauchine, Science  
 Lawrence Burgess, Science  
 Carmen Card, Business



Penelope Chapman, Human Ecology  
 Del Cory, Business  
 Vicky Engstrom, Special Services  
 Dan Ernst, Science  
 David Foy, Science/Mathematics  
 Norman Garnett, Foreign Language



Jerry Gillett, Social Science  
 Mary Gray, Library  
 Juanita Grew, Foreign Language  
 Lila Guenther, Mathematics/  
 Physical Education  
 Jean Johnson, Guidance  
 Ann Kast, Communication Arts



As teachers passed through the imaginary walls of time, they embarked on a journey which began in their youth and brought them to their current job. Retracing their steps with the ghosts of teachers' past, present and future, their stories were retold.

## Back to the Past...

### *So what's your story?*

Rekindling memories the Ghost of Teacher's Past began the journey. Teachers found themselves back to the days when they sat behind a desk instead of hovering over one. Future teachers experienced school much like that of any student. However, sometime during their education, teachers made an impact on them that inspired them to become the faculty of today.

At first, teaching was not a career choice for some staff who grew up with other dreams and goals. "I always wanted to be a concert pianist or singer, but my father discouraged me. I idolized my teachers, especially a pretty eighth grade English teacher. Later my twelfth grade English teacher was so full of 'elan vital' and excited about literature that she influenced me to read more and told me I was a good student. Finally, a professor at the university told me that I would be a good French teacher," remembered Norman Garnett.

Other teachers were discouraged from careers by their peers.

Mary Gray related, "In high school, I considered library science but my friends discouraged me. I had parents though, who always took us to the library and read to us. It was an enjoyable experience. I was interested in teaching and working with students. Now, I would only choose to be in a school library."

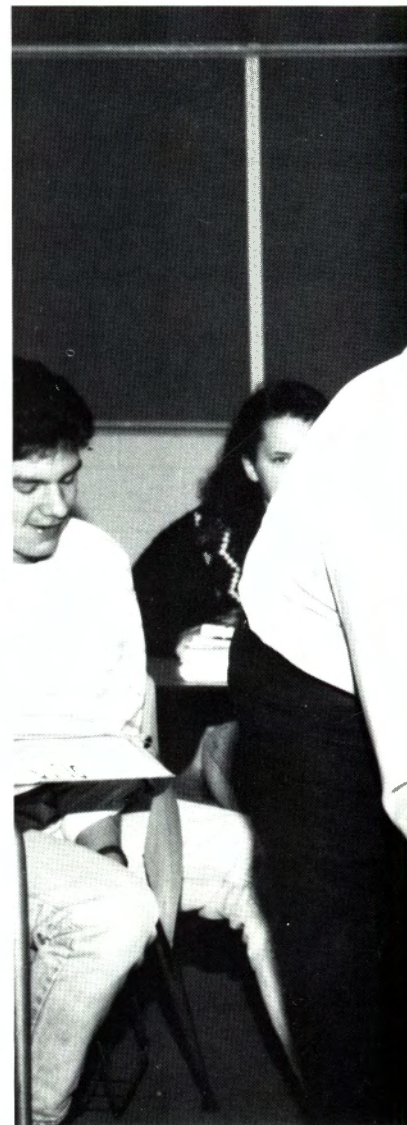
Some faculty members decided that teaching was their first choice. "I always wanted to be a teacher or nurse. I was a serious student, and always tried to challenge teachers with questions," recalled Penelope Chapman.

While most of the staff described themselves as "good" students, others revealed a side of themselves not often seen. "I was lazy in ninth and tenth grade, but excellent in eleventh and twelfth. When there was a sub, I was upset with students who couldn't think of creative ways to goof off. Some teachers I respected a great deal. Others I thought were foolish and a danger to my mind," observed Mike Saules.

Even more dangerous were

the ways early teachers chose to inspire. "Before high school I had gone to 15 different schools, and if I knew there was going to be a sub I usually skipped. That was until high school, when my English teacher, Old Miss Griener, used to thump me on the back of my head and say that she expected more of me. I worked so hard that I improved by leaps and bounds. I became very high academically," explained Ron Allen. Memories of care and help were reminisced by Jean Johnson as she reflected, "I always felt in awe of teachers. My tenth grade English teacher seemed very concerned that I did not have the skills necessary for the grade level. So she tutored me before and after school. And to this day we still keep in touch."

Through their examples, teachers of the past fostered the teachers of today. As they journeyed back to the present. They were once again in front of the desks. Having traded places, it was evident how much alike the two generations of students were.







# Story Line

*Teacher's are human too!*

**QUESTION:** What was the most unintelligent thing you ever did as a student?

"In 1947 I stuck my foot out in the road and watched a milk wagon roll over it."

--Bill Savage

"I pulled a boy's hair out by the roots for wrecking the bow on my Christmas present for the teacher!"

--Penelope Chapman

"I shot my brother in the forehead with a B.B. gun. I didn't mean to do it; I just wanted to scare him."

--Norman Garnett

"I sunk my dad's car in the lake while racing on the ice in the winter!"

--Dave Shipman

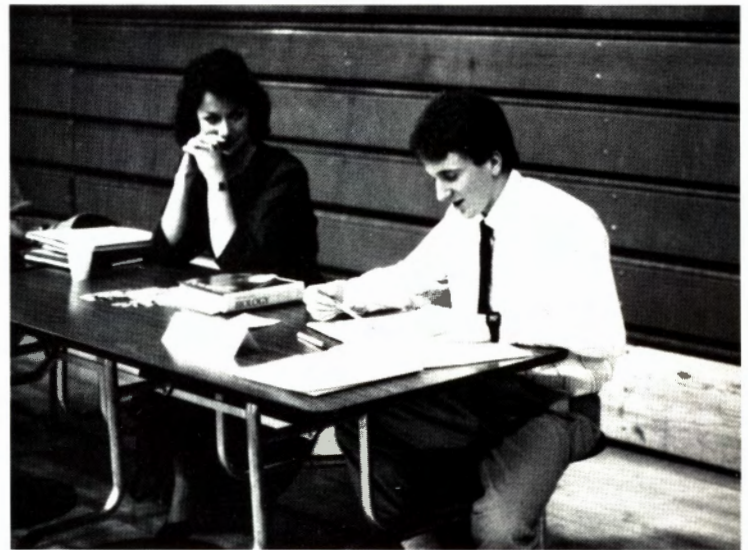
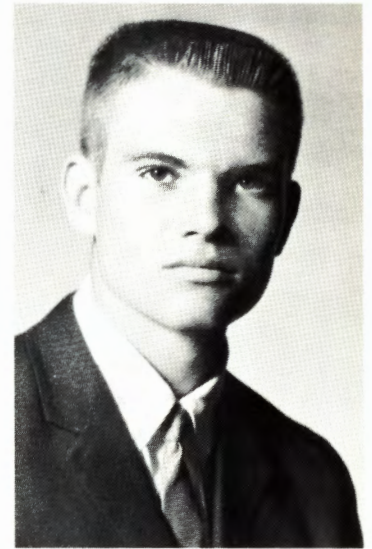
"I tried to fly like superman and severed a muscle in my leg!"

--Juanita Grew

"I marched up and down the street playing my tuba in my neighborhood."

--Jean Johnson

**SENIOR MEMORIES.** Bringing back memories is Social Science teacher, Jerry Gillett's senior photo.



## THE NEXT GENERATION...

Teachers teaching teachers! Together they learn from each other, as Barbara Neureither was the mentor, and Mr. Loney was the student teacher. Mr. Loney tried out his teaching methods when he replaced Mrs. Neureither while she studied the latest in teaching. At the Parent-Teacher conferences, they continued working together.



**SHARING JOY.** Throwing a faculty shower in the library on the last day of school, Carmen Card cuddled Margo Strong's baby boy.

**Professeur!** A teen who once idolized his beautiful eighth grade teacher grew up to become Mr. Garnett, Professeur of French, as he now hovers over senior Julie Crane lending her a helping hand.

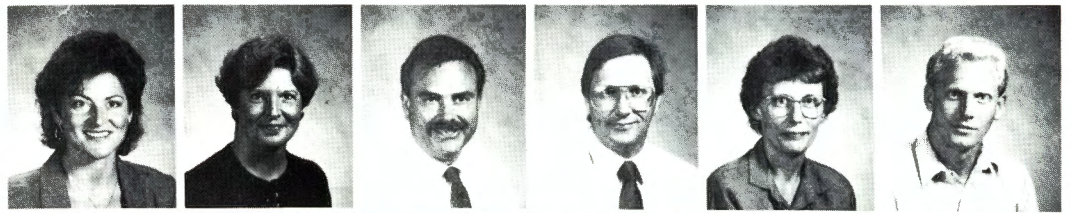


**COOPERATION PAYS OFF.** Helping juniors Kim Stubig, Todd Williams, Craig Thill, and Sherief Fadley with a cooperative learning group assignment is Communications Arts teacher, Michael Saules. As part of the Cooperative Learning study group, he and other teachers increasingly put the methods into practice in various departments this year.

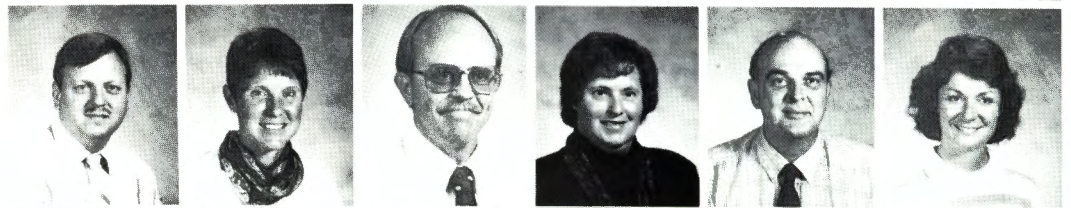
**IT'S RIGHT THERE!** Pointing something out to senior Brian LaFraugh, Ms. Schuette carries out her teaching assignment at Holt as part of the exchange with MSU in the PDS program.



Pam Klimenko, Communication Arts  
 Anne Kressler, Business  
 Peter Kressler, Social Studies  
 Bruce Kutney, Communication Arts  
 Nancy Lamphier, Human Ecology  
 Bruce Larner, Mathematics



Michael Lehman, Mathematics  
 Brenda Lynch, Communication Arts  
 Michael McMurtrey, Fine Arts  
 Jean Mooney, Mathematics  
 James Mutch, Driver Education  
 Barbara Neureither, Science



Steve Neureither, Industrial Arts  
 Guil Northrup, Social Studies  
 Ann Paul, Fine Arts/Publications  
 Dan Plunkett, Social Studies  
 Lowell Rudd, Science  
 Michael Saules, Communication Arts







The Ghost of Teacher's Present viewed today's teacher running to meetings, putting together new schedules, and all the while, causing changes to occur, as he journeyed

## Back To The Present. . .

### *No time for a breather!*

This year many new programs retooled the actual learning process in the curriculum. But, most of these programs fall under one main title-PDS. The School was selected by the College of Education at MSU to participate in the Professional Development Schools program. PDS schools sought to improve the quality of K-12 education and teacher education working together with the university and the school personnel.

Not only did the staff work with MSU, they had to work together to achieve their new goals. "In the middle of the year I started working with Larry Burgess trying to get more active and conceptual learning in the classroom. We tried to find different ways to access what students knew. I'm also involved in Students At Risk where we try to recognize what students are in jeopardy of dropping out and try to keep them in school. We research their needs and try to include them in all social groups in

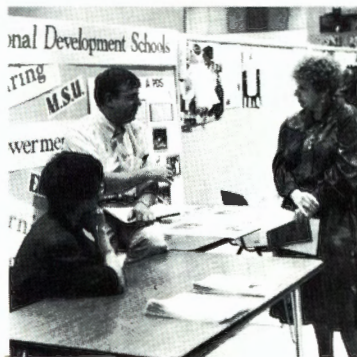
the classroom," summarized Jean Tomlinson.

Cooperative learning in groups was one of the more promising ways to access the information learned. "I think cooperative learning had a good effect in the Mass Media classes. Some students felt the project seemed easier when they helped each other. The downside for some was difficulty agreeing on issues and if some students ended up doing more of the work than others. "It was hard at first. I had to have three complete units perfected which demanded a lot of organization. But, the good input from students during the second nine weeks helped me improve," observed Pam Klimenko.

Many teachers agreed that the additional work put a real strain on their schedules. "My days are very hectic. Part of this is because so much of what I do is determined by others. However, this is not overly stressful, because I thrive on a hectic lifestyle," explained Mary Gray.

Teachers' days were becoming busier and busier as the methods of teaching evolved. "There is a consensus of the staff that education the way it used to be does not work now. It has to change. The old model was the teacher lecturing, giving out lists of information that had to be memorized. The student had to go through the teacher to get information. Now, learning is constructed by the students as they work together in a group to identify problems, research, and find alternative solutions. The teacher is now the coach or mentor," reflected Assistant Principal, Susan York.

Another concern was restructuring the school day, for which the final decision was left to the future. Meanwhile learning, teaching, and processing were the major topics of retooling this year. Taking a final look at the present, one realized that we couldn't take today for granted. This was perhaps the last time school would look this way again.



**WALL OF CHANGE!** Reaching out to the community during the Education Fair, Michael Lehman and Mary Gray explain Holt's involvement as a Professional Development School, while the wall behind them displays the goals.



## Story Line

### *Teacher's are still human!*

"I started out my very first year of teaching volunteering for things!

--Juanita Grew

"I used laundry carts as boats in the pool--Holt's form of water polo.

--Dave Shipman

Oh Boy! Forgetting that grades were due on a Monday morning at 8:00. I really had to do some fast approximating!

--Norman Garnett

Who knows the number of times and situations!

--Jean Johnson

"I agreed to sponsor the yearbook in a previous school district! However, I learned a lot and had some great experiences with kids."

--Mary Gray



Exploring the past proved teacher's were human too! With the present came change and increasingly busy schedules that the staff had no time to take a breather. And now...

# Back to the Future...

## Imagine the possibilities!

While they helped shape the minds of the future, teachers imagined the endless possibilities and prepared themselves to tackle new goals. "I know there's going to be changes in vacation, curriculum, and requirements and I am looking forward to whatever happens, maybe with anticipation, or maybe with hesitation. Who knows!" exclaimed Counselor, Jean Johnson.

Meanwhile, others had a clearer idea of what the future might bring. "Major restructuring is on the horizon. Grades and subjects as we know them may not exist. Technology will immensely affect the future, we're only scratching the surface. But the change will be slow," observed Mary Gray. The horizon was brought into distinct focus however when the faculty voted to restructure the school day in May and then parent groups met to consider the proposal in June.

Dave Shipman further explained,

"Curriculum is under constant change for improvement. We are seeing it now with the phone system. When a student is absent the auto phone calls the parents with a pre-recorded message. Also we may see longer vacations that go into June."

Other possibilities of new vacations were explored as teacher's envisioned the school of the future. "I see year-round school with three or four mini vacations, students would be taught by in-class television where teachers would simply be monitors of students' progress. The emphasis will be on teaching students to quickly and accurately access information rather than on simply learning stagnant blocks of information," theorized Michael Saules.

Technology took a more prominent role in the classrooms of the future. "Students will probably do more practice and homework by computer rather than paper and pen-

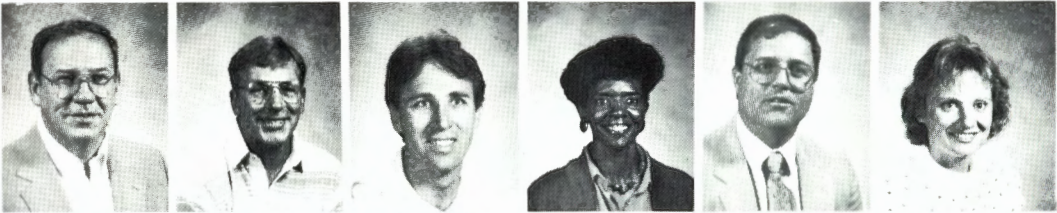
cil. It would allow for immediate corrections rather than teachers grading practice work," summarized Penelope Chapman. A new committee was formed to define the role technology will take in the curriculum and to prioritize recommendations for hi-tech expenditures.

Besides technology, some foresaw other institutions changing the school. "The state will take over the curriculum. Assessment powers will slip away from the local district. The result would be more bureaucracy, reporting, and artificial requirements," predicted Bill Savage.

Throughout the year, opportunities existed, and all that remained, was to pursue them. Seeing how quickly the working world called for changes, teachers began implementing them in the present and prepared for the future. They saw that change was essential and knew that they must effect it at a rapid rate.



William Savage, Social Studies  
Scotty Shimnoski, Business  
David Shipman, Business  
Physical Education  
Valerie Smith, Special Services  
Andrew Stevenson, Guidance  
Margo Strong, Business



Brain Templin, Science  
Jean Tomlinson, Special Services  
Janet Wilson, Guidance  
Georganne Withey, Communication Arts  
Gerald Woolston, Social Studies  
Susan York, Guidance



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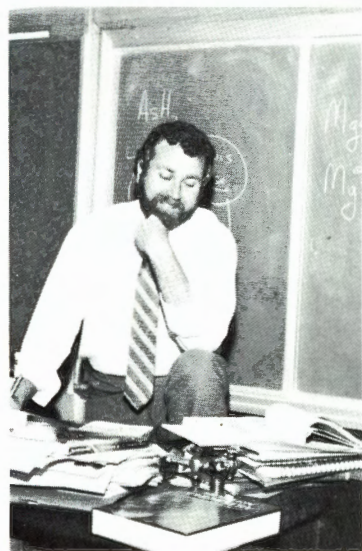






**A HELPING HAND.** Lending a bit of advice, a substitute teacher explains some difficult programming to senior Amy Heiser.

**WITTLING WHISTLER.** Drilling precise holes in a flute, Lawrence Burgess and Steve Neureither work carefully to create a new piece for the Science Olympiad competition.



**KNEE DEEP IN BOOKS.** Hmm, what should I do next? Contemplating chemistry Dave Foy ponders his next few words.



# Story Line

*They're out of here!*

"I don't know when I'll retire, but I do know I'll spend my time on the beaches of Madagascar wearing cheap sunglasses and a fruit bowl on my head. This will be my condition after teaching 30 years of coordinating conjunctions."

--Michael Saules

"I'll be floating along in some cheap \$2.99 floatation device from Meijers, in the middle of my built-in pool (in the shape of a novel, of course). With a glass of R.C. Cola in one hand and the National Enquirer in the other, I'll absorb the late-breaking news of the day. To top it all off I'll plug in my Walkman with Harry Belafonte singing Calypso tunes. Please pass the bananas."

--Bruce Kutney

"I'll retire about 2005ish. I am putting away money in an IRA, plus some savings, and possibly the sale of some real estate. I am paying off old bills, eliminating all credit cards (save two gas cards). I am also doing some financial planning.

IS THIS GOING TO THE FBI?"

--Bill Savage





# Story Line

## Just Another Kid

I wasn't unintelligent enough to pull a memorable boo-boo!

--Donald Bowker

I ran out in front of a car and was run over!

--Jan Eberly

There was a big tree behind our house and one day a friend and I decided to throw some sparks from a nearby brush fire in the crotch of the tree. During dinner the fire engine had to come and put out the fire! We were so scared, but no one ever found out, until now! --Mark Maksimowicz

### A CHIP OFF THE OLD BLOCK.

Living a coincidence from his past, Athletic Director Jack Crawford described, "My math teacher was also my basketball coach. I thought a lot of him and ended up doing the same thing as he did."



**ACROSS THE DESK.** Overseeing every faculty committee, student concern, administrative decision and daily problem, Principal Thomas Davis handles every situation that crosses his desk.



**BOARD OF EDUCATION.** George Bird, Alton Granger, Richard Allen, Richard Royston, Robert Ebersole, Floyd Conklin, Jacqueline Wood.



**CHECKING IT OUT.** With a five percent attendance increase, Assistant Principal, Donald Bowker revealed, "The students have been one of the most cooperative groups I have ever seen at Holt High School."



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**INDIVIDUALS**  
You're next!





As the journey came to a close the ghosts of the Past, Present, and Future came together to reveal the real people inside the administrative suits.

## Telling The Whole Story...

### *A Different Perspective*

Administrators grew up as just another kid or were they? New Assistant Principal, Susan York remembered, "I read a great deal as a child and teen, and I still do. I suspect many of my models were competent, resourceful, independent women in literature. My aunt who was a nurse was another model for me. I also admired and respected my teachers a great deal." Donald Bowker, Assistant Principal, added, "Administrators were revered and looked up to like Gods when I was in high school. I never dreamed I would be one!"

Looking at the present, Superintendent Mark Maksimowicz identified the most important accomplishments of the year as he noted, "There were a number of good things that happened this year including; becoming in-

volved with MSU in the Professional Development School Program, having a National Merit Scholarship finalist in Jennifer Jewett, Science Olympiad taking first in Regionals and fifth at State, the yearbook awards, and the planning of a new restructured schedule."

There were other factors why this year was considered a great one by administrators. "Attendance overall is improving, therefore, more students are graduating on time due to the fact that they are not losing credits," stated Jan Eberly.

As the school year drew to a close, administrators focused on the future and on the answer of what will come next in education. "What's next is the 21st century. To be prepared for a rapidly changing world and work

place, young people have to be better prepared. Our school needs to change in order to provide that preparation," foresaw Susan York. Most of the concern seemed to be directed at getting the students ready for their life after high school. "We're expanding our horizons to provide the best opportunities for all students regardless of their ability," added Mark Maksimowicz.

Looking back to what was and ahead to what will be there were so many changes that have happened and will happen. Some envisioned education changing the role of technology instead of technology driving the curriculum. Others strived to innovate and restructure the schedule, while all dealt with how students more effectively learn.



**WHAT'S NEXT?** Speaking about what's next at graduation is Superintendent Mark Maksimowicz. He dealt with that question constantly on his job, as he revealed, "What's next is terrific. There are a number of positive things going on. I'm proud to be in Holt because it's proactive in many areas as its expanding its horizons."



**MYSTERY CALLER!** The voice of Jan Eberly could be heard on the new auto-phone system, where her voice sent a pre-

recorded message to the homes of absentees. It was one way that attendance increased this year.



**THE WINNER IS...** Announcing the numerous scholarship winners at graduation is new Assistant Principal, Susan York. She was busy this year with the Professional Development School. She noted, "It's challenging and energizing. I'm excited about the new ideas of what we can do differently to help students learn."





"What I like most about the Talent Show is seeing my friends perform and their talents that I didn't know they had."

--Junior Brad Thomas



**THE GRAND ENTRANCE.** Looking over her momento booklet and admiring the Prom decor as they arrive at the Lansing Center are senior Kim Belcher and her date. Design Innovations, Inc. used mainly lights for decoration to create a different atmosphere for the May 12 event.

**STRUTTING HIS STUFF.** Rocking the crowd at the Talent Show are seniors Brad Brookens, vocals, and Chris Doerr on drums. Bands were the most popular type of act among students during the annual March event.





# Just what you *Wanted!*

Why am I doing this? I've got to be out of my mind to go out there! A month ago it sounded like a great idea to be able to play for my friends in the Talent Show. Now everyone is expecting me to do this and I have to prove myself. They're still hounding me about last year when I chickened out at the very last minute after going to the rehearsals. Besides, this is how stars get their big break, starting from the bottom and moving up. I guess I have to at least try. There goes the curtain. The crowd is roaring...waiting. It's do or die time. The first note flows out, I hit it, I'm actually on key! Students are going wild as adrenalin consumes me. I'm finally in control. If this is what show business is like, I want to be a part of it! Af-  
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**ALL IN GOOD FUN.** Getting his face doused with a glass of water by sophomore Kama Kepler is senior John Feland during a scene from the winter play, "Inside Lester," performed on the evenings of November 3 and 4.



## You Be The Judge!

"My favorite moments in band are when difficult parts in the music come together and it sounds good."

--Junior Steven Kragt

### LEADER OF THE PACK.

Keeping everyone to the beat is Senior High Band Director, Michael McMurtrey, as he conducts the final song of the Pops Concert. Students worked hard to make the final performance a perfect one.

### FOOTLOOSE AND FANCY FREE.

With the use of precise timing and sharp moves, Shannon VanShoik, Stephanie Schneeberger, Jenny Siebert and Jerry Ketchum show off their glitter to the tune of "Footloose." A lot of practice paid off for the Color Guard during the marching season.

**MARCHING TO THE BEAT.** Sophomores Stacia Cramer and Josh Graham along with senior Jennifer Clapp keep the band marching through the snow. Mother Nature created a night of flurries and cold for the Homecoming halftime performance.



**BOOST OF SPIRIT.** To encourage school spirit, the Pep Band performed during half time at home Varsity Basket-

ball games at the Junior High. The Pep Band offered a different extra-curricular activity for regular band students.



# And The Beat Goes On...



Through the hot, humid days, and the snow-filled nights during football season, the band marched on. The musicians started out the year raising school spirit and ended the year by taking a first rating overall in the District Band Festival held at Jackson High School.

Along with the accomplished performances came the agonizing practices. Although the band enjoyed playing at games, pep-assemblies, and at the Special Olympics held at Michigan State University each year, they didn't always enjoy the amount of hard work they put into it. Senior Shannon VanSchoik, member of the Color Guard admitted, "The bad part of making us look good is having to stay after school to practice marching even in the rain

to make a piece of music perfect."

Eventually, the hard work will paid off and the students were proud of their work. Junior Steven Kragt revealed, "My favorite moments in band are when difficult parts in the music come together and it sounds good."

During the marching season, certain members have to stretch their talent to other instruments. Sophomore Jessica Stauffer remarked, "Since the bassoon is not a marching instrument, I had to try other instruments but my favorite was percussion because it showed me a new perspective on how music fits together." Noting the importance of percussion, sophomore Joshua Graham added, "Percussion is the background of all music. Without it, the music would sound plain and

boring."

The Color Guard added extra spirit to the music. This season the girls recieved extra help from coach Jennifer Tharp. Sophomore Jennifer Sibert commented, "She taught us about teamwork and how to work as a group. She helped us improve a lot."

While the Color Guard achieved teamwork, the Concert Band strove toward perfection. "I enjoy playing the clarinet and learning all I can about what it takes to be considered excellent," commented senior Stacie Monroe. Concluding a season of achievement sophomore Patty Newman summed up many students' reasons for being in band as she noted, "I love pushing my talent to the limit to create a beautiful sound."



**LOST IN THOUGHT.** Drowned in future plans and thoughts at the commencement ceremony, are junior Amy

Bennet and sophomore Rachel Wawro. The occasion prompted the question of what the future holds in store.



**POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE.** Playing a selection during the Commencement Program is the Concert Band replete with seniors who left their

seating with their class for their final performance. The band enjoyed the luxury of new concert uniforms in their performances this year.



# As The Curtain Opens...

With roaring laughter and anticipation in their voices, students filed in the auditorium and sat down. They waited anxiously to begin screaming for their friends as the Talent Show was ready to commence. When all was sang and done, there were many different reactions to the annual March event.

Some students marched in the auditorium full of school spirit. "I liked the Talent Show a lot. I thought it was fun and it gave me a chance to be loud-and not get in trouble," revealed junior Corinne Morse.

Along with enthusiasm for the school, others were excited for certain friends participating in the show. "I think it makes the show

a lot more fun when your friends are in it. It gave me someone to cheer for," commented senior Jon Esch.

**"...The Talent Show gave the students that usually don't get the lime-light, a chance to shine."**

*--Senior Missy Bliesener*

Whereas many students looked forward to cheering and yelling for friends, others were just content with the change in school activities. "The show basically gave me a chance to relax and be

out of class," stated senior Aaron O'Conner.

Besides being relaxing, many felt it to be very interesting. "I was surprised by some of the talent in our shcool. We see the same people in every play or musical, but the Talent Show gave the students that usually don't get the lime-light, a chance to shine," explained senior Missy Bliesener.

No matter what the reactions were about the event, most students agreed that the show displayed a wide assortment of talent and their voices were heard discussing it on the way back to class. From comedy, to rock music, to dancing, the memories played on.



**JUST SAY YO!** After making yo-yoing an epidemic on the Science Olympiad Team, seniors Darren Craig, John Killips and John Feland took their yo-yo expertise to the Talent Show's stage.

**CARRYING THE NOTE.** Senior Missy West performs a song written by her boyfriend. The solo created a special Talent Show memory for many students.







**BELTING IT OUT.** Performing with the rock group, Endangered Species, is senior Aaron Nordman as he displays his talent on guitar and vocals. The group's

act was one of several bands who played for the show and enjoyed much popularity with the students.



**PHANTOM OF THE STAGE.** Senior Amy Sterenberg lights up the stage with her polished voice as she sings a song from "The Phantom of the Opera."

**PUMPING UP!** Bringing the crowd to hysterical laughter are seniors Rick Resio and Mike Newman. The two comedians were Talent Show hits with their rendition of Hanz and Franz.



### You Be The Judge!

What type of act do you most prefer in the Talent Show?

#1 Bands

#2 Comedy

#3 Dance

#4 Instrumental or Vocal Solos



**D.O.A.** Fallen victim to the Darjeeling Diamond Curse is the villain, Saul, played by John Feland. Jenny Rennirt, Wendy Whitlock, Brad Thomas, Kama Kepler and Jon Esch find him dead on arrival in a scene from "Play On."

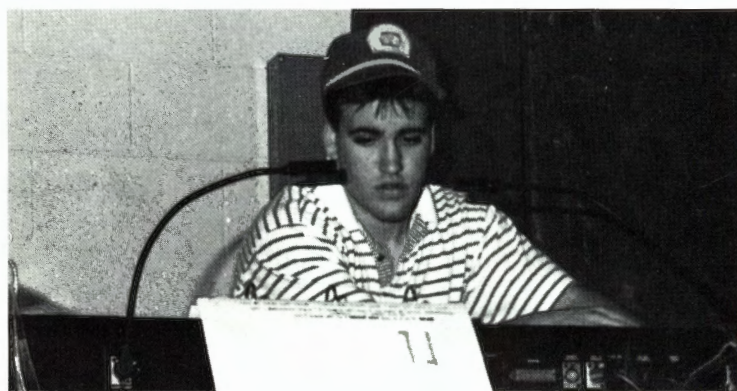
**OH GEORGIE!** The character of Easa, senior Amy Sterenberg, knew the right strings to pull to get George, junior Brad Thomas, wrapped around her little finger in a scene from the Winter Play.



### You Be The Judge!

How long did you practice your lines for the Fall and Winter Plays?

10 Hours	20%	1-2 Hours	60%
4-5 Hours	10%	Less than 1 Hour	10%



**PATIENCE AND PRECISION.** Waiting for his lighting cue is junior Eric McCall. It was very important that Eric followed the lines so he would be prepared to highlight the correct moment.

**MOMENT OF DESPAIR.** Frustrated and pressured is Jennifer Jewett, in the role of the director, Jerry, in the Fall Play. Amy Sterenberg as Aggie, listens to the complaints and offers her advice.



# Old And New: The Perfect Blend



Out with the old and in with the new. The Fall Play brought many new faces to the stage, while the Winter Play said its respectful goodbyes to the old-time regulars.

"Play On!," the comical fall play, welcomed several fresh performers as four out of ten of the players were new. Senior Jon Esch recalled, "It wasn't only my first play, but also my very first audition. I'm really glad I got my confidence up enough to tryout because I enjoyed being on stage."

Not only was the stage good for showing off talent, it also served as a great place for making new friends. "Since I was new this year, I thought it would be a great way to meet people. I was right! I got to know many new students and that made me feel like I belonged," commented senior John Feland.

Many times a play's success was based on its solid foundation: the cast. Junior Brad Thomas remembered, "I feel the cast worked very well together. We covered for each other if someone forgot a line or cue."

Actually forgetting lines and cues was a main part of the master

plot. "Play On!" centered around a play being produced. In other words, it was a play within a play. The actors were supposed to mess up lines of the 'inside play.' Sophomore Kama Kepler stated, "The play's plot was hilarious. It was so funny the way all the characters had to purposely mess up."

Making mistakes also formed the basis of the winter play. A stolen diamond, a deceptively dizzy blond, and bungling florists-turned-gangsters filled the play, "Inside Lester," with madness and mayhem.

The cast was dominated by seniors sharing the spot light for the last time. Senior Missy West expressed her feelings, "It was exciting to be in our last play, but at the same time so sad. I wanted to do my best and make it the best play ever." Senior Jennifer Jewett reflected, "It was really sad every time we came to a point where we realized it would be the last time we would do something, like use scripts, the last rehearsal, the last opening night, and the last cast party."

The first act was staged in the office of Lester Pollom, the author of the infamous Tough Malloy. The role of Lester, played by sen-

ior John Feland, was a new experience for the actor. "This was a different role for me because I am used to playing comical characters. As Lester, I had to work hard at acting serious. I was the straight man in this comedy."

The second part of the play was set on the island hide-out of the gangsters. Two new characters were introduced, George and Easa, played by junior Brad Thomas and senior Amy Sterenberg. The laughs weren't restricted to the stage, the rehearsals were also funny. Some of the actors had to alter their voices to make their characters more believable and funny. Junior Brad Thomas explained, "I developed my accent from the ganster movies I've seen. Amy was using a Betty Boop voice so I got the idea from her. I reacted and played off her lead."

The sparkling comedy came to a close, both for the audience and the senior performers, leaving the stage open for new faces. The transition introduced new actors in the Fall Play while the Winter Play said farewell to old friends. Students and actors alike were thrilled when both the old and new were brought together to perform two well-received plays.



**HAND OVER THAT DIAMOND!** Lou and Beck played by senior Missy West and junior Chris Conn, break into the office of Lester Pollom, played by senior

John Feland, to steal back the stolen diamond. These 'ruthless' gansters will stop at nothing, including taking Toni, played by sophomore Kama Kepler, hostage.



# At The Stroke Of Midnight...

"Rain, rain go away. Come again some other day!" That was the general feeling as rain continued to fall from the dreary, gray sky on May 12th. Meanwhile, flashbulbs clicked away inside the homes of the many promgoers who gave up the usual outdoor spring scenery in favor of staying dry and taking indoor pictures. "Because of the rain, my parents took pictures of my date and I inside, in every different corner of our living room-- in front of the fireplace, in the foyer and even in the garage!" stated senior Kelli Marsh.

Finally, after hours of preparation and with pictures out of the way, students headed on their way to dine in elegance. Many students ate right in Lansing at Jim's Tiffany Place, the Poorhouse, and Mountain Jack's while others opted to eat in neighboring cities such as Laingsburg, where the Sweetwater Wharf was located

and Jackson, at Gilbert's Steakhouse. However, some students went against tradition and decided to skip dinner altogether. "My friends and I decided not to go out to dinner because we would be so excited that we wouldn't even be hungry and we didn't want to feel uncomfortable and full in our already tight dresses. Instead, we waited until after Prom was over and went out to breakfast--boy were we hungry then!" exclaimed junior Misty Raatz.

At Prom, students danced the night away to the music by Steve Swanson of "Sensations" on the large dance floor in the Lansing Center. Almost all students agreed that the Lansing Center was an ideal place for a prom because of its size and location. "I liked this years prom because in previous years it has sometimes been crowded and very hot for guys wearing tuxedos but this

year there was plenty of space to dance and socialize comfortably," stated senior Stan Granger.

During the night, promgoers were treated to a special and unexpected dedication by junior Rob Ellis who sang, "Shama Lama Ding Dong," to all the seniors. Rob explained, "This song was a tradition with all the Varsity football players. We used to sing it to get pumped up for games so I had to dedicate it to the seniors who were leaving."

Although the clock struck twelve and Prom was over, students remained in their fairy-tale world and continued to celebrate until the dawn's early light. And like the theme of the prom itself, "Don't You Forget About Me," students would not have to worry about forgetting. Swaying under the soft green lights and dazzling decorations, May 12th was a night students would remember and cherish forever.

**THE WORK PAID OFF.** Sharing a few words with Junior Class President, Jenny Rennert, and her date, junior Brian Houser is Junior Class Adviser, Dorothy Anderson. The Junior Class Officers and Mrs. Anderson put in many long hours to make Prom a success. After fundraising to making all the detailed arrangements, the time was finally at hand to enjoy the evening on May 12 at the Lansing Center.



**PSST!...WANNA DANCE?** Juniors Alys Abdo and Scott trimmer share a private conversation amidst the hub-bub of the crowd. socializing with friends was one of the elements that made Prom a fun occasion.



**PUT ON YOUR DANCING SHOES.** Seniors Regina Haynes, Shannon Stone,

Ann Smith and junior Marcel Mayberry dance the night away to the music pro-

vided by DJ, Steve Swanson of Sensations.





**GRAND ENTRANCE.** Entering prom under a canopied archway for a fun-filled and magical night are senior Tracy Green and her date. Prom was decorated in an elegant style by Design Innovations.

**THE BIG SEARCH.** Checking over a guest list to find their names and confirm that they really did buy tickets are senior Tom Maki and junior Rachel Harley. Junior promgoers helped staff the guest table, usher and distribute souvenirs.



### You Be The Judge!

How much did you spend on Prom?

0-\$100	3%	\$200-\$300	26%
\$100-\$200	42%	\$300-\$400	23%
	\$400+	6%	

**A TICKET FOR A TOKEN.** Sophomore usher, Maggie Taylor, issues a souvenir to Brian Pratt and his date. Souvenirs were one way to preserve the memories of Prom.



**LIFE WITH THE JET-SONS.** Students take a moment to glimpse what the future holds at one of the Middle School displays at the Education Fair. The display illustrated the fair theme of See Tomorrow...Today.

**QUIET CONCENTRATION.** Reading the insightful "Poetry About Me," written by students in Mr. Saules' Grammar and Composition class is a community member who took this opportunity to better acquaint himself with the school district.



### You Be The Judge!

"As teachers, we are often isolated in our individual classrooms. The Education Fair gives us a chance to see a 'whole' view of the school district."

--Bruce Kutney,  
Communications Arts Department

**HELPING HANDS.** Assisting a curious junior high student with his clay sculpture is junior Duc Nuygen. Duc was a student in 'Constructions class and was demonstrating hand-built pottery methods.







## See Tomorrow... Today

Wanting to see tomorrow today drew observers to view the displays and participate in the hands-on projects at the Education Fair on May 7. Exhibitions ranged from mind-boggling science experiments to three-dimensional life size plaster figures created by the Fine Arts Department. "The plaster figures seemed to be most attractive. The students put forth a lot of imagination and created an outstanding display," stated teacher Juanita Grew.

Besides the art displays, science and computer applications also received much attention. Senior Christine Baker explained, "I had no idea what a role science and computers played in our schools. I always knew they were there, but I never paid much attention to them. Thanks to the Education Fair I can understand

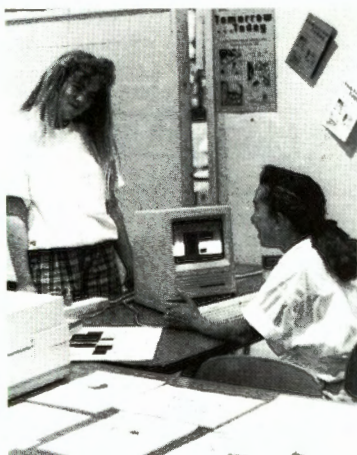
what an asset science and computers are to our community."

Along with art, science and computer advancement, the Communication Arts Department displayed students creative potential in writing. Projects ranged from the "Poetry About Me" writings submitted by Mr. Saules' Grammar and Compositions classes to pieces of exploratory writing produced by Mr. Kutney's Creative Writing students. "I never knew our school had such talent. I was actually amazed by the quality of work my fellow students are doing," stated junior Binh Lu.

The Education Fair provided an opportunity for the community to take a look at what was happening in the school system. It also gave other communities a chance to get to know the district. Junior Amy Kisine, a student at

Sexton High School stated, "I have a much better view of the Holt Schools now. I always thought of Holt as a small town school district, but now I see that I was wrong."

Many community-related displays were also on exhibit at the fair. So many in fact that, some observers, felt it was impossible to see everything offered. The Education Fair was simply an attempt to communicate the idea that the school district has its eye to the future, and to display the exemplary works produced by students and the more innovative programs and teaching methods currently practiced. Math teacher, Mike Lehman, summed it up as he noted, "I don't feel it is my place to judge what is good or bad. They were all there to show their best efforts, and to have a good time."



**PUBLISH IT!** Demonstrating how the yearbook is produced, senior Heather Valencic explains the computer programming to sophomore Tracy Cory. This was the first year the book was produced with desktop publishing programs.



**ME! ME! ME!** Demonstrating a game with students is Sandy Powers as one of the Wilcox Elementary School's projects.

Sandy is a fourth grade teacher at the school.



**QUIZ TIME.** Quizzing students on complicated trivia are members of the Quiz Bowl Team, Shannon VanShoik, Jennifer Jewett and Steven Kragt as part of their participatory exhibit.



## Before The Lights Go Down...

The bright lights clicked on and the audience stared at the stage as little ten year old Patrick and his nanny, Agnes, searched for Auntie Mame's apartment. They would be staying there for the next few years with the high class and sophisticated Mame. Before the lights could shine on the stars of the spring musical, "Mame," however, the lead parts had to be earned. Senior Nathan Bahn stated, "I really practiced for my audition. I tried to put as much feeling as I could into my lines."

Some students on the other-hand didn't work as hard for try-outs, only to regret it later. "I didn't put a great deal of effort into auditions, but I wish I had. It probably would have made a big difference," reflected senior Randi Foster.

With suspense and anticipation, Mr. Allen posted the final cast roles and some students were surprised, while others were

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*--Senior Chad Ostrander*

disappointed. But after rehearsing a few times some students realized the role was made for them, as senior Chad Ostrander

admitted, "When I first found out I had the role of Beau I was kind of let down. I had initially tried out for the role of Patrick. As we practiced the parts, however, I began to like my role and realized I fit it better."

For two months, lines were memorized and efforts were made to perform the best musical possible. "We had standing ovations every night we performed, and it made all the effort we put into it worth while," stated senior Kathy Nelson.

In retrospect, the cast looked upon the musical as a memorable ending for their year in the choir. Senior Amy Sterenberg reflected, "I think that this year's musical outcome was a great way to end my high school acting career."



**THE SOUTH MEETS THE ROARING TWENTIES.** Waiting for their big scene during dress rehearsal for the spring musical are Kristin McGoldrick, Lisa Newberry, Chrsty Kelly, Kelly Fox, Cheryl Hanel, Randi Foster and Stacy Clark.

**FALLEN MOON LADY.** Finding out if her nephew still loves her is Mame, played by senior Amy Sterenberg. Patrick, played by Jeremy Allen, answers that he could never be ashamed of his Auntie Mame.







**IMPRESSIONS LAST FOREVER!** Yankee Mame, played by Amy Sterenberg tries to impress Beau's Georgian family without too much success, by dressing up as a southern belle.

**AN EARTH-SHATTERING DISCOVERY.** Vera, played by Kristin Wilcox explains to her beloved, played by Patrick Bliesener that the man in the moon is really a lady.



### You Be The Judge!

"We had standing ovations every night we performed, and it made all the effort we put into it, worthwhile."

--Senior Kathy Nelson



**TICKLING THOSE IVORIES.** "Mame" is the thirtieth musical that Choir Director, Ron Allen, has produced. He also makes all the scenery and plays all the music live.



**ALWAYS LADIES.** The Glee Club, joined by several choir members, give their final performance at the formal Spring Concert. Director, Ron Allen, accompanies them on the piano.

**HEARTFELT THANKS.** Mr. Allen presents his outstanding choir member awards to seniors Kristin Wilcox and Missy West during the Spring Concert as they return their appreciation with hugs.

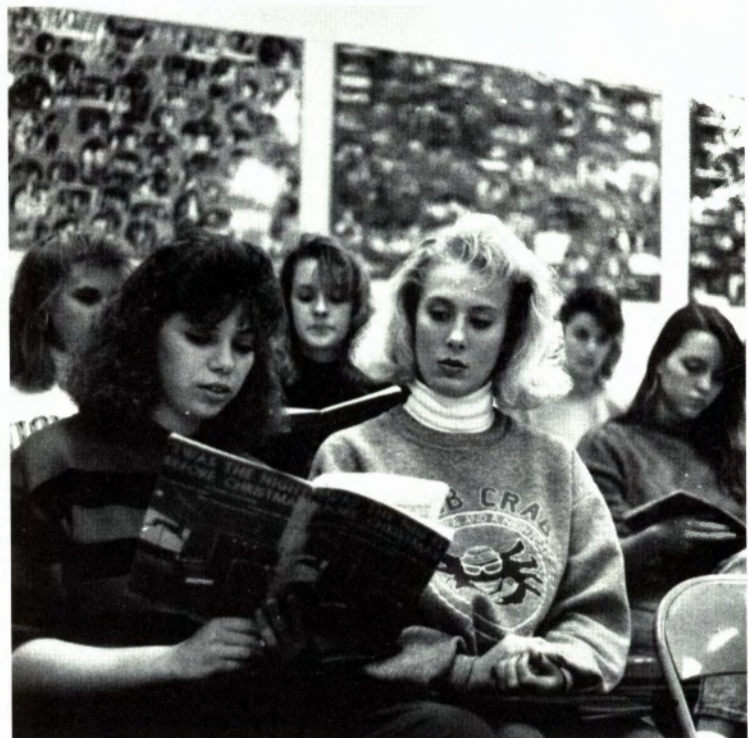


### You Be The Judge!

"I thought the Winter Concert was as near to perfect as a concert can get, especially when the group sang 'I Believe,' followed by 'The Battle Hymn of the Republic.'"

*--Ron Allen, Choir Director*

**CAROL COOPERATION.** Singing and preparing for the annual Christmas Concert during fifth hour Choir class are seniors Tami Farnum and Amy Sterenberg. Tami noted of the class, "I absolutely love choir. After the class is over, I feel like I can take on the world."





## Memories In The Making...



The stage was set, the music had begun, the audience became silent to hear the opening music from the choir members as they walked down the aisles with their candles lit singing "O' Come All Ye Faithful" in Latin. Starting the choir year off, is the Christmas Concert. It is traditionally opened with "O' Come All Ye Faithful" and ended with "Hallelujah."

The traditions created over the years have come to be expected by choir students and provided them with a good feeling. "Choir really gives me confidence to get out in front of people. Many of the songs have meaning and hidden messages about life, especially the Christmas songs. You can really get a lot from them if you listen," revealed senior Aimee Campbell.

After the Christmas Concert, the choir's next project is the Winter Concert which is only two months away. "I thought the Winter Concert was as near

len.

Ending the year, is the choir's last performance, the Spring Concert, which is replete with formals. The seniors also bid farewell. "My favorite concert is always the Spring Concert, but this year it was very emotional because I had to say farewell to all my choir buddies. At the concert everyone was crying and holding hands. The moments were intense and the feelings were painfully let out. But at least I knew I could see everyone again next year at the Christmas Concert," revealed senior Debra Shaver.

As the last song was sung the students remembered this year as a farewell to 30 seniors who graduated with memories from their years in choir that they would treasure forever.

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to perfect as a concert can get, especially when the group sang 'I Believe,' followed by 'The Battle Hymn of the Republic,' commented Choir Director, Ron Al-



**ONE LAST LOOK.** Gathered in the choir room just before showtime and the last concert of the year is the full choir. It

is the last time that thirty senior choir members will be together



**BEFORE CLASS BOREDOM.** Chad Ostrander is a permanent fixture at the piano before class starts or so it seems. Classmates Dan Evenson, Quentin Leverich and Pat Bliesener surround him.



**PROMISES, PROMISES!** Vowing to pay her debt to Mr. Allen for the candy she sold back in November is junior Lisa Newberry. At the end of the year, Mr. Allen threatens to take his measures to get choir members to turn in their money.



# Until We Meet Again...

"Don't you forget about me." The Commencement and Baccalaureate ceremonies that were held on June 3 served to remind seniors that they were saying goodbye to one phase in their life and moving ahead to a new one, most often without the company of old, familiar friends.

The Baccalaureate service, which preceded Commencement was a religious service lead by Pastor Tim Smith who advised the seniors, as the first class of a new decade, to set new standards for the upcoming classes to follow. Furthermore, he stressed the importance of tackling any endeavors they started with determination, whether it be a new job, further schooling or the starting of a family.

Senior friends Nancy Pike and Nikki Miller added a poignant

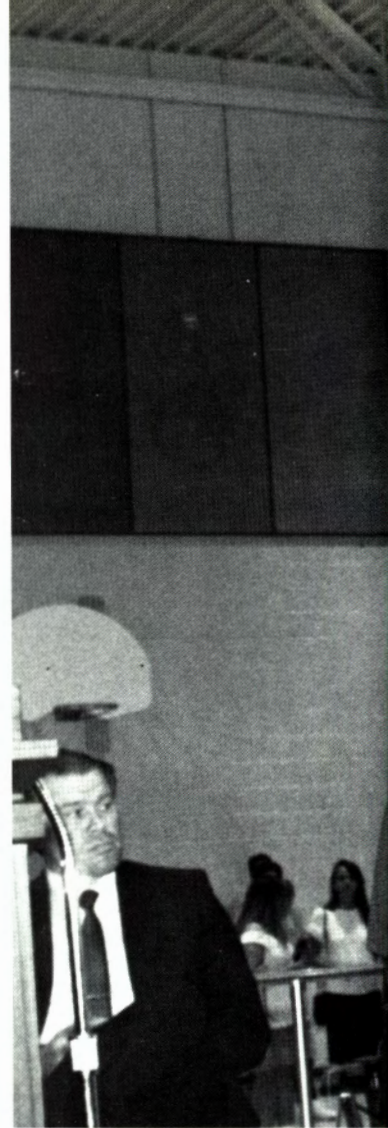
touch as they sang their duet, "Friends." Nancy explained, "We decided to sing our song so that we could have one last chance to say goodbye to all of our friends."

Finally, 4:00 o'clock approached and the moment seniors had been dreaming of for thirteen years came as the song, 'Pomp and Circumstance' began to play. The soon-to-be graduates began their march. Although the ceremonies were held indoors at the Junior High, due to rain and high winds, the bad weather failed to put a damper on the seniors high spirits. Pastor Smith best expressed the general feeling as he noted during Commencement, "You seniors sure are keyed up!"

Senior spirit continued to run rampant as student speakers Julie Crane, John Feland and Rick

Resio gave a final farewell to their class. Julie stressed the importance of family and friends, while John explained what Holt had come to mean to him as a newcomer. Rick recaptured senior year highlights and bid a sad goodbye as he concluded with the senior class song, "...and seniors, Don't You Forget About Me."

After all was said and done and the graduates had received their diplomas, senior Dana Jolicuer expressed what many were feeling when she revealed, "While graduation is a very exciting time, it is also very sad because it is, for many, the last time we will all be together." It was apparent that while life would never be the same for the class, they would be successful in their endeavors because they had 'The will to do, the soul to dare.'



**AN INFORMAL NOTE.** Lending a relaxing touch to the formal Baccalaureate service is senior Aaron Nordman as he accompanies senior Kristin Wilcox on the guitar. Aaron wrote and played this song in Germany with Kristin during the German Exchange Trip last July.

**DON'T YOU FORGET ABOUT ME!** Presenting his speech at Commencement is senior Rick Resio who brought back highlights of the seniors' last year and advised his class to never forget the closeness that they shared.







**FINALLY!** Receiving her long awaited diploma from the President of the Board of Education, Mr. Alton Granger, is graduate and Senior Class President, Julie Crane.



**BEWARE THE SOUTHERN WINDS.** Singing her song, "Sail on Through," to the seniors is teacher, Pamela Klimenko. Mrs. Klimenko wrote her song for graduates and dedicated it to the seniors at the Baccalaureate service on June 3.

### You Be The Judge!

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--Senior Dana Jolicouer



**HERE WE GO!** The Senior Class begins their march to 'Pomp and Circumstance' as family and friends look on. The ceremony had to be held at the Junior High School gymnasium due to bad weather.

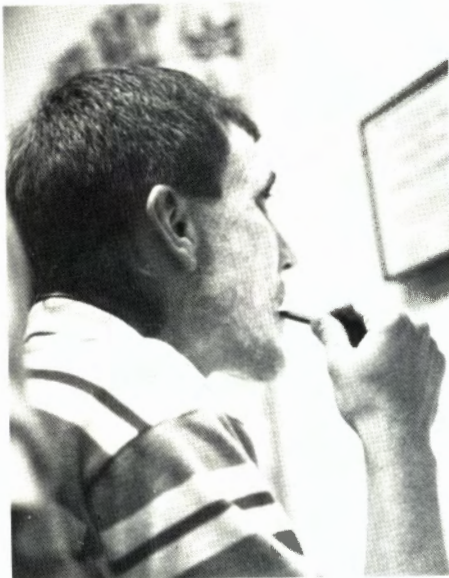
**SWEET SENSATIONS.** Seniors Nancy Pike and Nikki Miller sing their duet, "Friends," at Baccalaureate. Their song conveyed the true meaning of friendship and the difficulties of saying good-bye.





"Science Olympiad has made many accomplishments and brought the school much recognition, especially by placing first at Regionals and fifth at State. But all the organizations provide benefits to the school. I think there should be more promotion of the clubs and their accomplishments. All are unique, special and deserve recognition.

--Junior Jennifer Martin

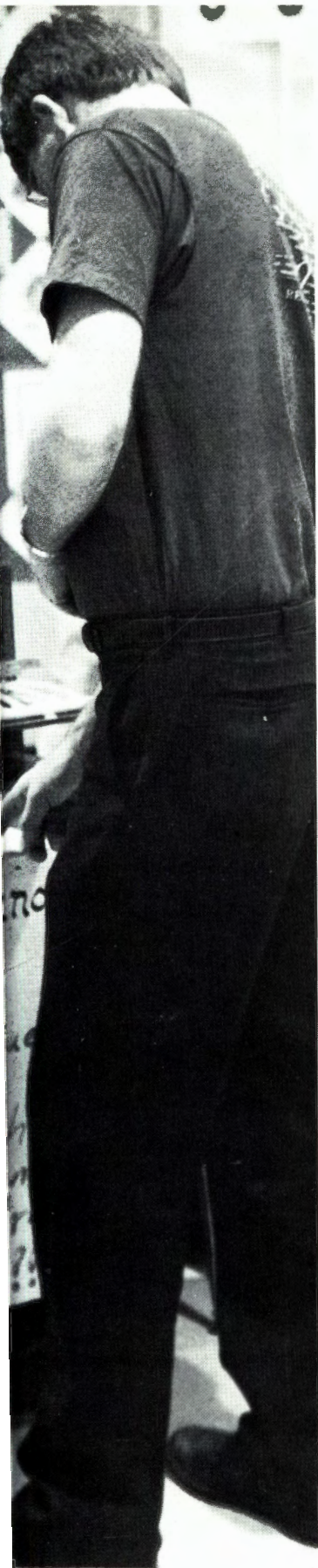


**AM I DEAD YET?** Touching up his death mask make-up is senior Brian Fournier. The white and black masks were part of SADD's Grim Reaper project to publicize the dangers of drinking and driving during Prom, Graduation and other end of year events.

**MAKING THE MUSIC.** Demonstrating a Science Olympiad project at the Education Fair are sophomore Ann Simons and senior Jennifer Jewett. Science Olympiad Coach, Larry Burgess observes them. The instruments played were hand-made from ordinary household items and attracted much attention from the crowds who attended the event at the Junior High School on May 7.







## Something for *Everyone!*

You wanted to be involved, so you joined as many clubs as you could, knowing there would be something for everyone. From SADD to Debate, you were busy every waking moment. When an activity hour came, a decision had to be made. Which mandatory meeting was more important, the National Honor Society or Science Olympiad? Your home became just a place to sleep, and your parents were forgetting what you looked like. Of course, you wanted the whole high school experience, but this was too much. Environmental Awareness had to plant that tree, and Quiz Bowl practice went into over-time again. But no one in their right mind would give up all that social time. After all, the main purpose of being involved is to have fun. And besides, being in a lot of clubs looks good on those college applications. So tell your parents to quit their complaining and let you live!



### ANOTHER SUB, ANOTHER YEAR.

Ending the year on a fun note, the French Club enjoys building their own subs and each others' company one last time after school. A few dedicated members, President, Karen Baker, Amanda Fisher, Andy Feland and, of course, adviser Norman Garnett, remain to clean up.



# Listen Up!

## Won't You Be My PAL?

"I'll Be There for You," was a song by Bon Jovi whose title said it all. PAL, or peer assistance listeners, acted as counselors to be there for any student who requested one.

PAL members went through vigorous training and learned how to handle various situations. "PAL training consisted of many different sessions and taught us how to talk to students dealing with problems. It showed me how to be really 'there' for people," commented senior Wendy Whitlock.

Along with the training, each PAL member had to have certain characteristics. "A PAL has to genuinely care for people. I love talking with people and being there for them when I'm needed. I think every PAL is a special person," stated Tony Cruz.

Although PALs had special training and qualities, the real test

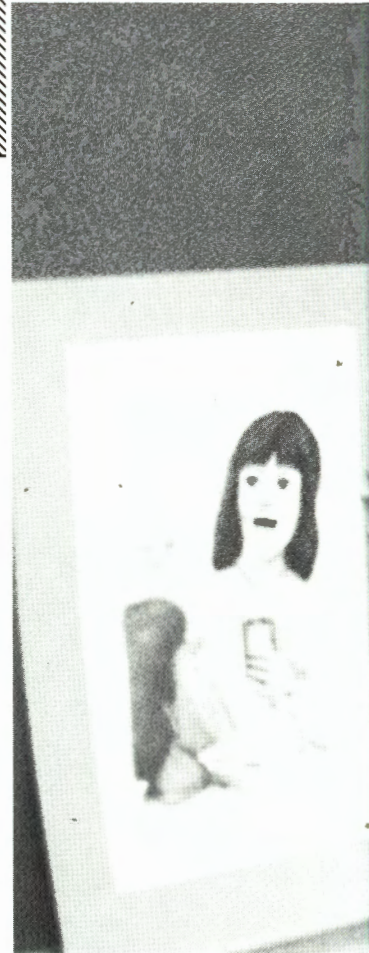
was having a 'PAL experience.' "I was really nervous when I got my first pal. I suddenly had to remember everything I learned! I was afraid I'd lead someone in a wrong direction" revealed senior Paige Hunter.

Throughout the year PALs used their special skills and personality to comfort students or help them reflect on problems. PALs were always there for everyone.



**SHOW AND TELL.** Explaining different types of peer pressure and how to say no to each is senior Annette Becker to Elliot Elementary students.

**AWARENESS CAMPAIGN.** Manning the PAL booth at the Education Fair, May 7, are seniors Mishal Mosley, Missy Cool and Wendy Whitlock. They brought information to the community about the Peer Assistance Listener group.



## Peer Resistance... Learning to Say No

Children needed role models. A dedicated group of SADD members gave the fifth graders that necessary model. The Peer Resistance groups taught them that saying 'no' to their peers is not as difficult as they thought.

"When we were in elementary school, we didn't get this kind of training. I think it's terrific that the kids now have the education to resist alcohol and drugs. Maybe someday there will be no reason to have a club like this," stated senior Annette Becker.

The presentations were filled with colorful posters, realistic skits and smiling faces. The children wanted to be a part of it all. "The 5th graders were really excited and we always had more than enough volunteers for the skits. We tried to give all of them a chance to participate. We went over-time more than once, because of the positive responses we received," recalled senior Jodi Grant.

Peer Resistance members were

students the children looked up to. High School students were larger than life to fifth graders. "I enjoyed being a role model to the kids. Being the only male in the group, I had a big responsibility. I was always the 'bad guy' in the skits, but they still liked me and the boys respected me," revealed sophomore Tony Cruz.

This training stayed with the fifth graders. They remembered it and the students for a long time. "When I'm out with my friends I really have to watch myself. Sometimes, I see one of the little kids and they remember me, even if I don't remember them. We have to keep up the image we portray to them or they will just think we were lying and do the things we told them not to," stated senior Christine Baker.

The Peer Resistance group attempted to be helpful to the future generation of young people by showing them that there were high school students who wanted to help in the fight against drugs and alcohol.



**PUTTING KNOWLEDGE TO THE TEST.** Senior Mishal Mosley discusses with an Elliot Elementary student how to resist an offer of alcohol. Peer Resistance

members shared their time and knowledge with students in teaching them how to resist peer pressure.





Students who cared, students who wanted to make a difference, students who were against driving while intoxicated. Students Against Driving Drunk dramatized their message with many new and different activities.

Late in November, for the first time, eight members went to the state SADD conference held at Shanty Creek Ski Lodge. They met members from many area schools and acquired several ideas for passing the message of not drinking and driving to their classmates. "Shanty Creek was an experience every SADD member should have had. The speakers were excellent, knew how to speak to high school students well and tugged at our heart strings. I hope that we get a chance to put what we learned into action," shared sophomore Liz Sawyer.

Some of these ideas were carried out from the reading of a poem over the PA system at Christmas time, to the annual Prom time push. One new activity was the Grim Reaper. Over fifty students volunteered to paint their faces white to appear "dead".

They represented the people who died every twenty minutes during a twenty-four hour period as a result of drunk driving. "I was really amazed at the number of students who were willing to play dead. The zinc oxide that we used was pretty uncomfortable to wear, and I know it was very difficult for people not to talk to anyone during the time they wore

## SADD... SPEAKS OUT

the make-up," recalled junior Joyanne Huston.

The annual SADD Prom assembly also had a new twist. The movie shown was not a graphic accident scene. Instead, it was a scientific experiment that involved many people who had a high tolerance to alcohol, and believed they could drive while intoxicated. "The movie made a lot of people think. Although it was hilarious to see all those drunk people trying to drive through an obstacle course, the underlying message was still clear; please don't drive drunk," commented senior Missy Cool.

Students Against Driving Drunk cared enough about the well-being of the students to work hard to learn new ways of presenting their knowledge, and following through with it.

**FACE OF DEATH.** Becoming pale as a ghost under the hand of senior SADD member Missy Cool is senior Amy Parkhouse. The face painting was part of the first Grim Reaper activity to dramatize the dangers of drinking and driving sponsored by SADD near Prom time, in which students played "dead."



**SADD MEMBERS:** Top: W. Whitlock.  
Row 2: S. Matthson, C. Baker, T. Cruz, T. Farnum, T. Wagner, K. Tubbs. Bottom

Row: M. Mosley, E. Hake, P. Hunter, J. Huston, M. Cool, J. Grant, A. Becker, B. Roy.





# Tune In!

Knowledge—it was a must if you wanted to be on the Quiz Bowl Team, even though it was only trivia. However, the pursuit of it offered much more than just trivial knowledge. Senior Jennifer Jewett noted, “Being on the Quiz Bowl Team taught me to be more aware of life’s petty details.

Shannon VanSchoik added, “I learned to work as a team member. We all put our knowledge together to try to win.”

And win they did! Chalking up two wins of four competitions at the Capital Area Invitational, and three of four on WKAR’s Quizbusters Tournament, where

had the chance to be on a TV show and not embarrass ourselves. It was also fun going against Walt from East Lansing who called himself the New Renaissance Man.”

Besides trivial knowledge, the team gained a few pounds at morning practices. Doughnuts were the incentive that brought teammates in at 7:15 AM to sharpen their memories, and they finished off Tuesday afternoons with pop and chips. Fun was served up along with food as senior Shannon VanSchoik revealed, “All of our practices had an element of surprise to them. Something new and funny always happened. We were all such a close team that we could laugh at each other.” Being on the team left its members rich with many of life’s pleasures, as well as an advantage at Jeopardy.

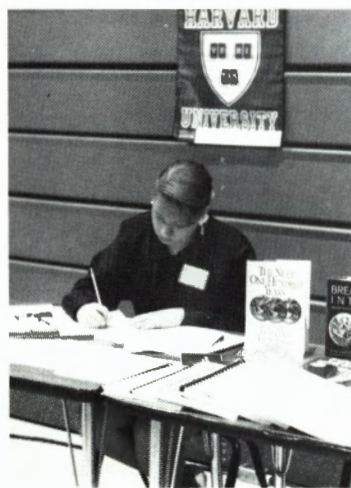
## Quiz Bowl... More Than Just Answers

I pay more attention to remembering names, dates and places because I know it might be a Quiz Bowl question. The facts themselves might not be useful, unless I want to play on Jeopardy, but it has helped my memory, which is always a useful skill.” Senior

they finished in the Class A/B Final Four, brought them to a record of 5-4 overall. It was the first year the team competed on Quizbusters and for many it was the highlight of the season. Senior John Killips commented, “Quizbusters was fun because we



**QUIZ BOWL TEAM:** Bottom Row: J. Killips, J. Mills, J. Jewett, J. Feland. Top Row: A. Fisher, Adviser M. Gray.



**ON DISPLAY.** Manning the booth for the Debate Team at the Education Fair is sophomore Kathy Tubbs. One of the season highlights was the trip to Harvard in Boston to debate and the team hung the banner for the occasion.



**RACE AGAINST TIME.** Presenting the challenge of the Quiz Bowl are team members and advisers during the Education Fair participatory demonstration. The booth was busy the entire evening with their game of knowledge and speed.

**STRIKE A POSE.** Standing on the steps of the Harvard Langdell Hall, School of Law, are seniors John Feland, Jean McNease, Darren Craig, Jennifer Jewett and John Killips. Besides seeing the campus of Harvard, the team also visited the MIT campus and took in some of the sights of Boston.





## Debate Team... A Learning Experience

It wasn't just another team. The Debate Team was actually a learning device. Traveling all over the country, each team-member gained something different from being on the team.

Speaking well was one of the major factors in being on a debate team. "Debate has taught me organization, self-confidence and speaking abilities," concluded senior Jennifer Jewett.

Another necessity for a winning team is hours and hours of research; looking through books magazines and newspapers. "While on the team, I learned how to research topics more efficiently. Learning to do research well is one of the purposes of the club," stated senior John Killips.

The team competed in the Capital Area Conference,

where they finished tied for second place, as well as in Saturday tournaments around the state. In October, they traveled to the Gaylord Invitational, where they placed second, with a 7-1 record. But the highlight of the year came in February, when the seniors on the team traveled to Cambridge, Massachusetts and Harvard University to attend the Harvard Invitational Debate Tournament. "We had fun learning to use the 'T' (the Boston subway), eating in lots of pizzerias, looking around at the Aquarium and visiting the campuses of MIT and Harvard," recalled senior Jennifer Jewett. Even though they only won four of sixteen rounds at the tournament, they obviously still had fun. In fact, the Debate Team had fun all season long.



**DEBATE TEAM.** Bottom Row: K. Tubbs, A. Gould, D. Streeter, A. Feland. Row 2: J. McNease, J. Feland,

J. Killips, J. Jewett. Top: Adviser G. Northrup.



## Campus Life...Nukes Boredom!

Skiing down slopes...Flipping off snow tubes...Bowling at three AM!...Doing the wave at Chi Chi's...Coming in third at the city-wide Picnic Olympics...All this fun described a group with no deadlines, dues, or membership. Packed with exciting activities, Campus Life definitely nuked boredom all year long by handling the social, mental, physical, and spiritual areas of life.

With an average of 30 students and five advisers, the group filled the weeks with all kinds of serious and casual meetings and events. "Campus Life is a lot of fun and anyone at all can come. Every week, there is a meeting which focuses on a central theme like dating or divorce. We usually play a few games somehow related to the theme. After that there is a short talk dealing with different aspects and emotions. It is loosely religious, and if you'd like to get deeper, you can go to the Prime Time meeting which 'takes off' where Campus Life leaves off." Also, Campus Life sponsors several trips to such places as the Smokies and Cedar Point. These trips are always great and not too expensive. Overall, Campus Life is a great way to meet new, exciting people and a lot of fun," described sophomore Andy Gould.

Many agreed that boredom was clearly conquered during Campus Life's physical challenges. "Campus Life is SOOO fun! The funniest thing that ever happened was when we were playing Truth or Consequences. I couldn't answer the question, so I had to lay down while Reed dumped a bowl of jello on my face. He was supposed to get it in my mouth but he has terrible aim! Campus Life isn't just religion, it's fun. We go roller-skating, to movies, everywhere! I love it! exclaimed junior Sakia Kendrick.

Along with all the fun came the social side of making friends from

all over the Lansing area. "When I first came to this school, it was really hard to make new friends. When I did meet some people, they told me about Campus Life. It sounded fun, so I went. The people all said, 'Hi' and accepted me immediately. Another great thing are the staff advisers who are so giving of their time and help. When I had some problems, one of the advisers took me out to dinner and helped me with some questions I had. I felt that I could talk to them about anything," reflected sophomore Jon Zehnder.

Like the staff, students found they could relate to each other. "Campus Life has exposed me to many people who are experiencing the same problems in life and helped me to think through my decisions more carefully," noted junior Jacob Waidelich.

Spiritually and mentally this process seemed to have positive results. "The past three years in Campus Life have made all the difference in the world. Some of the subjects that couldn't relate directly to me still caused me to think about my viewpoints, opinions, and sometimes values. But most important of all are the people. Campus Life Helps sort out the "mess" that surrounds me daily. The friends I have made there are very close to my heart. It's great to have a group of people who aren't afraid to speak their mind about anything and not be discriminated against. You can have a good time thinking and learning about what it means to be you, with your values, morals, and opinions," stated junior Reed Benedict.

Cedar Point, the Detroit Zoo, small groups, weekly Summer Insights, and many, many other activities were planned for summer. Hoping to reach more teens, Campus Life provided fun, faith, and friends by nuking summer boredom.



**READY, SET, GO!** Waiting anxiously on the edge of her sled to be pulled into the race by Andy Gould and Brett Eaton is Lori Bussa during the Picnic Olympics at Francis Park.

**LET ME OUT!** Always being creative, Andy Gould impulsively jumped into adviser Mark Reynold's trunk and couldn't get out before the camera caught him!



# E xpress Yourself!



"They called me a geek! Why don't they leave me alone!" Can't I date this person without getting gawked at in the halls?! I'm not a zebra or anything else they call me." To some, feelings like these may have seemed unreal, but to many others they were all too real at some time in their life. These feelings were discussed during the Multicultural Awareness group's videotaping. By expressing themselves, the tape was one of the exciting ways the group appreciated the differences and became more aware of the similarities of the various cultures in our society.

Explaining the creation of the group, adviser Jean Tomlinson noted, "The Multicultural Awareness group was formed initially in response to a student who was having racial problems with other students at school. It was hoped that all students would feel a connection with someone who would listen to problems, make suggestions and offer support in times of

stress. Since then the group has expanded to help students learn about all cultures."

Junior Marcel Mayberry was a student who found acceptance in the group as he explained, "The things I most like about Multicultural Awareness is the fun that it brings to me and the compassion that they showed me when I was a new student."

The club's events centered on guest speakers, the video tape, college visitations, meetings and the end of year luncheon. They offered members great times and unique experiences. "The day we went to Detroit was really fun and I learned a lot about colleges for minorities at the same time. There are quite a few more than I ever realized and they all have something useful to offer. Also, it helped to know that there were people

around that I could talk to and relate to at the meetings. In fact I wanted to do volunteer work at the Black Child and Family Institute. Next year I hope to volunteer my time to work there because it would give me a chance to see first hand that not everyone lives as my friends and I do," reflected sophomore Sheri Slaughter.

## Multicultural Awareness... Providing A Forum

Taking over the advisership from Valerie Smith, teacher Jean Tomlinson summarized her feelings as she explained, "I believe every student should have a group that they can identify with in some activity related to school beyond their classroom experience. I feel strongly that we should enjoy our differences and through learning about our similarities we can achieve a sense of community."



**WATCH IT JIGGLE!** Cheering on teammates racing to finish their jello first are Anita Roberts and Joylon Vincent, while Campus Lifers from all over the Lansing area surround them.



**LUNCH BUNCH.** During the Multicultural Awareness end-of-year luncheon, Anne Smith, Regina Haynes, Amy Ramos

and her mother enjoy the food and discuss the results of the video tape that was made by the group and shown at the luncheon.



**TO THE BEAT OF GREEK MUSIC!** Presenting information about the Multicultural Awareness Club at the Education Fair are senior Anne Smith, junior Marcel Mayberry and Co-Adviser Nancy Lamphier while enjoying the Greek music in the background.



# Follow The Lead!

Those dreadful deadlines, those expanded quotes, those complicated computers and that aggravated adviser! Amazingly that's what made the yearbook what it is today. After receiving the Spartan Award from the Michigan Interscholastic Press

Loretta Bowen. Smiles of pride and fifteen awards returned with the staff and Co-editor-in-chief, Nikki Kingsley, received her own recognition in front of hundreds of other young journalists and photographers. "On top of the Spartan Award, I couldn't believe

Binh Lu noted, "I think the most important part of this class is the creativity. The copy has creativity, layout, cover, everything! Everyone in this class has their own special gift to contribute and together we make this book individualize us as Holt High School."

As the book began to come together, page by page, friendships evolved too. Honest opinions and helpful hints were shared among the staff, along with the frustrations of red pen marks across one's copy. "For two people who couldn't agree on anything in the beginning, Sara Faculak and I have come a long way. We realized that we were actually having fun coming up with copy and battling the computer to get our graphics just right. That may have been the greatest accomplishment of the year," summarized sophomore Crystal Chappell.

And that was "What's Next"...a book of accomplishments.



## Rampages Staff... Pursuing What's Next!

Association, goals were set and the stakes were high to produce a bigger and better yearbook. The willpower was there, it was just time and "The Right Combination" to beat!

The enthusiasm of the previous year was contagious at Kellogg Center during the Spring Awards Conference, as new staff members joined old ones in revving up for the end-of-year production. "The Right Combination was a book of winners put together by a dedicated staff. Even though I wasn't a part of that book, the excitement couldn't be avoided. It was like waves of electricity running through the air!" exclaimed sophomore

it when I received my own personal award for photography. After taking first place, I was overwhelmed with surprise and excitement," commented senior Nikki Kingsley.

Even though the MIPA Conference was a tremendous enthusiasm builder, reality struck as the staff returned to the same four walls. It was time to move onward, jotting ideas down, hoping they would amount to a unique transition or captivating lead as the creative juices flowed. Junior



**AND THE WINNER IS...** Taking her first place award in Photography back to her ecstatic classmates is senior and Co-editor in-chief, Nikki Kingsley. "I didn't believe them when they called my name. I'm still in shock today," explained Nikki. Nikki had entered the on-site photo contest during the state conference for which she won the top award.



**QUESTIONING QUESTIONAIRE.** Interviewing and getting last minute information and quotes for a copy assignment from Dwayne Holbrook are Stephanie Schneeberger and Debbie Shaver. Ques-

tionnaires were one way of getting needed information but yearbookers soon found out the best way to get quotes was to interview.





**IF THE SHOE FITS...**Turning their stressed out adviser, Ann Paul, into a glittering cinderella are sophomores Crystal Chappell, Loretta Bowen and junior Stephanie Schneeberger. The birthday scam was pulled off by contributing fifty cents to a pair of gold and silver shoes picked out by senior Kevin Stewart in his job at Baker Shoe Store.

**MINDS VERSUS MACHINES.** Teaching layout to a group of beginning publications students including Jamie McGoldrick, Tammi Wardwell and Loretta Bowen is adviser Ann Paul. The MacIntosh computers saved time in the long run even though many hours were spent learning and programming.



**STOCKING STUFFERS.** Stamping and stuffing hundreds of envelopes for an advance sale flyer are juniors Greg Toth, Rob Ellis and seniors Wendy Whitlock

and Paige Hunter. Trying to get them done on time before the holidays required motivated paper creasers as the staff took on the advance sale for the first time this year.



**RAMPAGES STAFF.** Bottom Row: Adviser A. Paul, S. Faculak, J. McGoldrick, P. Hunter, S. Richter, H. Valencic, G. Toth, J. Hartley, K. Kreiner, T. Wardwell, J. Rennirt, N. Harris, R. Resio, R. Foster,

M. Bliesener, S. Schneeberger, L. Bowen. Top Row: C. Goff, W. Whitlock, R. Ellis, B. Lu, N. Martz, N. Kingsley, L. VanDyke, C. Chappell, K. McGoldrick, A. Layman, K. Stewart, D. Shaver.



Spanish culture was not only absorbed through constructing pinatas and consuming burritos but social lives were enhanced for students as they soon learned that the Spanish Club acted as a social organization to give members a chance to participate in activities outside of school.

Senior Jon Esch theorized, "The Spanish Club gives people a chance to become involved, and

was great but because we were spending time with our friends."

Others gave future recommendations for the Spanish Club. Senior Jim Lopez explained, "There should be less busy people appointed as officers. As Vice-President I see that the Spanish Club needs to be more enthusiastic, and plan more activities." Spanish Club adviser, Juanita Grew added, "The students have

so many things going for them and around them, they only need

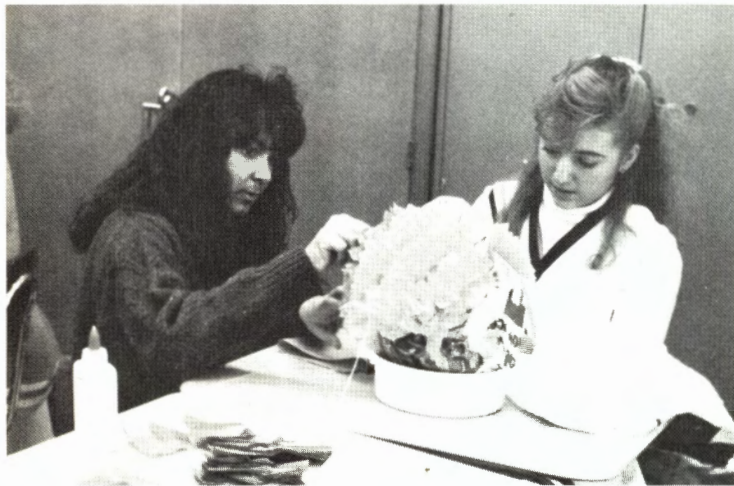
to become more enthusiastic and get out there!"

Concluding the year with their annual trek to Cedar Point, students took advantage of a well-planned trip. Though the food was often Tex-Mex, it was popular fare and members found that through the Spanish Club, they realized that socializing and being with friends helped brighten their year with fun times.

## Spanish Club...Tex-Mex Style!

the more involved you become, the better person you are, and the more experience you get in life. It helps the year to go by faster knowing that extra activities may happen."

The activities had become traditions that constituted the year's agenda. Senior Charlene Williams stated, "Going to the traditional dinner at Chi-Chi's was fun, not only because the food



**CAREFUL CONSTRUCTION.** Striving to produce a flawless pinata are juniors Angie Duling and Shannon Friedman.

The project was completed by Spanish classes for donation to childrens' wards of area hospitals for the holidays.



**SHAVE THOSE LEGS!** Sitting with perfected poise as the "modern senorita" is sophomore Jason VanPatten while acting out a skit for his Spanish final exam.

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# Get Social!

## French Club... Food Says It All!

Experiencing the French culture in many different forms was what students signed up for. However, what they received was a delicious treat, literally, for the way of French Club was via the palate. During the course of the year club members ate their

way through two main events. The first was a crepe dinner where students prepared the French delicacy firsthand. The second took a detour from French cuisine with a submarine party the last week of school.

Remembering the events, sophomore Beth Bonner related,

"It was a chance to have fun outside of class and reasonable for a dollar! Though many members enjoyed that the focus was to socialize, others looked forward to more expansion of the club's activities. 'I would like to see more aspects of the French culture emphasized and think we should schedule a variety of events,'" stated sophomore Sara Faculak.

As French students polished their accents, their social lives as French Club members proved appetizing.

**LE MENU SIL VOUS PLAÎT.** Entertaining their French I class with a skit based upon a James Bond movie are sophomores Adam Robson, Nate Dodson and Amy Verleger. The skits were created as a final end-of-year project in the class



**SUB SHOP.** Making submarine sandwiches at a French Club end-of-year get together are Jessica Stauffer, Randy

LaFave, Andy Feland, John Feland, Karen Baker, Kathryn Nelson, Chip Cleaver and Amanda Fisher.



**SERVICE WITH A SMILE.** Getting ready to deliver pinatas to the childrens' wards of area hospitals are juniors Kelly Boss and Denya Shimnoski. The pinatas are a project undertaken by the Spanish classes near the holiday season.



# Take the Lead!

Splat! The lego racing car lost its passenger, an egg, on the nearest wall for the Scrambler event. Running backwards, hopping through tires, and shooting baskets were accomplished before answering a question in the physical and mental pentathlon event. Things as simple as raw eggs and old car tires were turned into events for the Science Olympiad Team.

the team. They are our schedulers, counselors, teachers, and friends. They are constantly checking to see if you need help. When morale is down, they keep us going with smiles and encouraging words."

At 7:00 AM the team, tense and anxious, boarded the bus for LCC. Excitement rose as the results of the events came in. At some point in the ceremony, every

one and anxious faces awaited the results. The awards ceremony began and this time the tough competition proved itself as only a few select people received awards. As top ten placements were announced, the fifth spot went to Holt. Disappointment mixed with excitement and relief was present while hope of continuing to Nationals was quenched. The team took pride in the fact that they had placed in the top ten for the sixth year in a row. Sophomore Jim Hines noted, "I was glad the pressure was over, but I was frustrated at the thought of not continuing to Nationals. "We wanted to do much better, but yet, we were proud of our placement," added junior Andy Feland.

Looking back, the knowledge and experience of the seniors who had been with the team for three years served as the backbone of the team. Coach Larry Burgess noted, "The strong leadership from the seniors will be missed. However, the sophomores have good work ethics, strong motivation and are dependable which paid off this year."

**IN THE SPOT LIGHT.** Playing their personalized instruments are Science Olympiad team members Jennifer Jewett, Ann Simons and Jessica Stauffer. The Sounds of Music team took first place in both Regionals and State competition. The students put this performance on at the Pops Concert, May 23.

**SCRAMBLED EGGS.** Setting up for a practice run for the Scrambler event are seniors John Killips and Darren Craig. They performed the event at both Regional and State competition.



## Science Olympiad... Turns Raw Eggs And Old Tires Into Events!

The group began to buckle down around Christmas for the upcoming regional competition in March at Lansing Community College. Much dedication, and teamwork were put forth to place first at the regionals. Sophomore Jessica Stauffer noted, "Teamwork is so important. Everyone helped each other at some point, whether it was tutoring, constructing equipment, or just moral support." Senior Amy Lounds added, "The coaches were the most important part of

team member received an award. When the third and second places were announced, excitement reached a climax as they realized they had taken first place again for the sixth consecutive year. Senior John Killips explained, "The whole competition is great. There is a degree of satisfaction from knowing that all the hard work would pay off when it came to the test."

Later in the spring, at state competition, the team walked into the MSU auditorium as sol-



**SCIENCE OLYMPIAD TEAM.** Top Row: Coach M. Lehman, Coach S. Beauchine, N. Harris, Coach S. Neureither, A. Feland, A. Fisher, Coach L. Burgess, R. LaFeve. Row 2: J. Jewett, J.

McNease, M. Smith, A. Simons, D. Craig, K. Nott. Bottom Row: A. Lounds, J. Stauffer, J. Killips, P. Craig, J. Feland, D. Streeter, R. DeMunck, K. Hill.



**ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS CLUB.** Top Row: J. Feland, A. Lounds, J. Esch, J. Zimmerman, J. Zehnder, D.

Craig, T. Summerix, B. Bonner. Bottom Row: K. Hill, P. Neumann, C. Maki.





**PAPER CHASE.** Sorting out stapled and colored paper is senior Amy Lounds. The Environmental Awareness Club spent the last afternoon of the school year sorting and loading reams of paper for the recycling plant.

## Environmental Awareness...Developing Social Consciousness

Were they a radical group of Greenpeace or Sierra Clubbers or simply a group of concerned students? Actually they were members of the newly formed Environmental Awareness Club who were concerned about cleaning up and conserving our environment and insistent upon taking action.

The group started small and ended small with about fifteen dedicated students. "I joined the Club because it dealt with something that was really important to me. I hadn't been able to do much about the environment before and it was a way for me to actually

work for conservation," expressed sophomore Koralie Hill.

The group set the goals for recycling and the celebration of Earth Week. Adviser Brian Templin stated, "We have accomplished a lot of things this year. We were able to purchase a tree with the money we received from recycling, the community is more interested in becoming environmentally aware, and the most important accomplishment is the fact that we exist." Senior John Feland added, "We have planted the seed for interest in a recycling effort in our community."

Although the club could not change the world, its intent was to change the attitudes of the student body and give them ways they could become more environmentally active. Sophomore Patty Neumann explained, "I believe the club tried to point out that every little bit helps whether it be recycling a piece of notebook paper or a pop can. Everyone needs to care." Senior Darren Craig concluded, "Environmental problems are not for others to take care of, but rather, for all of us."



# Jet Set To Fun!

Traveling to new countries, learning about another culture, meeting new people was always fun to many American teenagers, but how did foreign exchange students react? Exchange students took on a new adventure with much anticipation and advanced planning. "I knew I would be coming here only a month before I had to leave because I got a scholarship. I did not have time

tion, and become their parents. Senior Julian Gonzalez admitted, "They were perfect! Everytime I was upset, my host family helped me and thanks to them, I overcame my homesickness of the first months and especially during Christmas. On the weekends, they often took me to visit other cities and places in the U.S. .

Then there was the transition to an American high school.

very well because I thought in Spanish. But soon things got easier because I began to think in English."

However, there were times when nothing would do but a good talk with those at home. Senior Ana DeFrancisco confided, "My phone bill is outrageous! When I phone home I always tell myself 'only five minutes.' But it is impossible! You begin to talk with each member of your family and instead of five minutes, you have talked fifteen or longer!"

As the year wore on and departure neared, excitement began to mount. Having gained new maturity, new friends, a new language and loads of presents and stories to tell, they left America with memories to last a lifetime. But many of the students felt that regardless of the country, the age or whether male or female, there were many experiences and feelings that were the same for all who travelled the adventure.

## Foreign Exchange...

### More Than Another Language

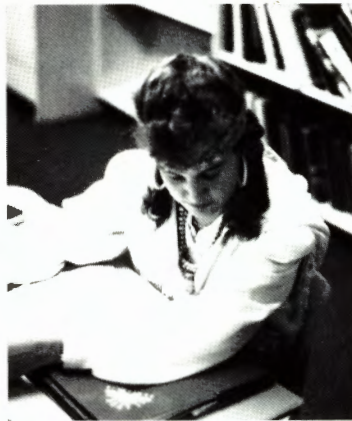
enough to prepare. I bought some warm clothing, got my documents in order, bought my ticket and then went out a lot with my friends before leaving August 15, revealed senior Luis Leme from Brazil.

Tired, most arrived at their destination with a host family waiting for them. The host family was responsible for making them feel welcome, ease their transi-

Senior Stephanie Wagner observed, "School is completely different from Portugal. Here the teacher stays in the same class all day the students have to move from class to class. In Portugal it is opposite-the teacher comes to you. However, it is better here because it gives you the chance to meet more people." Senior Julian Gonzalez added, "In the beginning I did not understand classes



**FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS.** Luis Leme, Brazil, Stephanie Wagner, Portugal, Julian Gonzalez, Spain. Not Pictured: Javiar Balarezo, Ana DeFrancisco, Spain.



**MODERN DAY HIPPIE.** Dressing for Spirit Week is foreign exchange student Ana DeFrancisco as she works on copy in Publications class.



**DON'T BURST YOUR BUBBLE!** Streaming huge bubbles a little too close for comfort are Stephanie Wagner and Andy Feland at a farewell party for Stephanie before her return to Portugal.







**TOUR OF MUNICH.** Explaining the history of the buildings to Principal Thomas Davis. Jennifer Jewett and Mrs. Davis is the tour guide for the exchange school, Elsa Brandstrom Gymnasium in Munich.

**FAREWELL SONG.** Expressing sad and happy feelings in a song he wrote for a good bye party in Munich is senior Aaron Nordman accompanied by senior Kristin Wilcox.

## German Exchange...Friends Become Family

Sweaty palms and anxious attitudes were the result of the one-hour flight delay as eighteen students waited on the edge of their seats at Detroit Metro, eager to wave the U.S. farewell. Accompanied by Principal, Thomas Davis and family, the crew boarded the plane en route to Munich, Germany.

First-time flyers prepared themselves for take off. "I was really nervous and scared because it was the first time I have flown and I didn't know what to expect," confided senior Amy Ramos. The group saw themselves through a relaxed flight and once the aircraft landed, the three-week vacation in Europe began. During their stay, the exchange school, Elsa Brandstrom Gymnasium, gave the students not only tours of Munich's sights, but also, of other parts of the country.

"Germany had so many beautiful castles and sites, and I enjoyed the trips my family took me on. I particularly liked when we went to Austria," recalled senior Kyle Kepler. Other tourist spots visited were the Olympic Park, the German Museum, Marienplatz, and the German zoo.

As the end of the trip approached, many students became homesick. "I began to miss my family towards the end, but I also dreaded saying goodbye to my German host family as well. They were all very good to me," expressed senior Tami Fox.

After an overnight stay in London, due to problems with the plane, the students were happy to be home. "I thought we were never going to get home. We had so many delays, it was tiring. I'm just glad to be back," concluded senior Chip Cleaver.





# Sell Yourself!

## Student Council...Preplanning Creates Impact

Creative ideas, hard work and meticulous planning led to a full slate of activities. The summer ended with a bang as the first Student Council meeting was called in August.

Homecoming was the main topic on the agenda and stayed that way until the end of October. "Homecoming was my favorite activity of the year because it allowed us the most creativity. People came together and became friends, regardless of their differences. When the seniors swept the events, we realized that all the hard work was worth it!" recalled senior Amy Lounds, Student Body Vice President.

Another big event provided by student government was the all-school Talent Show. From publicity chairman and head judge to emcees and backstage workers, class officers supplied smooth running-entertainment, and some even participated. "I enjoyed being in the show. It was great being onstage and have people laugh at our comedy routine while 'pumping them up.' Emceeing was just a side dish to the main meal, Hans and Franz," remembered senior Rick Resio, Student Body President.

The officers not only planned activities for their classmates, but were also invited to other schools' events.

**FLOWER GIRL.** Delivering carnations as part of a Student Council fundraiser for Homecoming is senior Kim Belcher.

Sexton's Student Government Exchange Day was scheduled for March 29 and was designed to improve inter-school relations. Junior Class Representative, Denya Shimnoski commented, "It was interesting to share ideas with people from other schools. The stress management seminar was helpful to me because it taught me what actually causes stress and how to deal with it."

Having a major impact on the school was the officers' goal and what many members evaluated themselves on. Junior Class Secretary, Kira Ihrcke concluded, "I really enjoyed being a part of student government because I feel like I'm taking an active part in some very important decisions. I'd like to think that by being an officer, I've left my mark on the school."



**IS IT OVER YET?** Doing their part in the annual NHS sponsored blood drive are seniors Jodi Pierce and Kathy Binder. The group reached a record goal in spite of a snow day cancellation and reschedule of the event to a later date in March.

**MASTERS OF CEREMONY.** Up front and taking charge of the annual Homecoming pep assembly are Junior Class Secretary, Leslie Fulk, and Senior Class President, Julie Crane.



**SET UP CREW.** Pouring punch for the annual Honors Night Reception are seniors Melinda Smith, Amy Lounds and

Rick Resio. Student Council members volunteered their time to serve and clean up after refreshments for the event.





Dedicated to scholarship, service, character and leadership, the National Honor Society had long been a respected organization. But could the group be improved upon? The question was posed and answered this year with new plans and activities, while still maintaining traditions.

The school year began early as officers and advisers gathered for summer meetings. "Our early meetings were very constructive

lowed those who did participate in activities to be rewarded in the spring by being able to attend a dinner and the musical, *Les Misérables*," commented senior Melinda Smith.

The Christmas season brought the long-standing candy cane sale fundraiser, as well as a new one, a picture frame sale. "The sale of picture frames was really successful and was in keeping with the NHS motto of service, as the

National Honor Society...

## Tradition With A New Twist

and helpful in planning the year's activities. They also allowed Mrs. Klimenko and I to get to know the officers better," explained adviser Jan Wilson.

Fall brought the traditional Thanksgiving food drive, cleaning Tamarack apartments for the elderly, collecting warm coats for the needy and the new twist was a revised point system for participation. "I felt the point system worked very well because it al-

frames were made by a sheltered workshop in the community," explained junior Jason Mills.

The traditional spring activities were the WKAR auction and the blood drive. A new event, a St. Patrick's Day Bowl-A-Thon for the Muscular Dystrophy Association took place in which students raised over \$1300. "The Bowl-A-Thon was great. There was pizza and prizes, and we had a lot of laughs over all the gutter balls that were thrown. We also raised money for a good cause which was the best part of all," stated senior Jon Esch.

The last event of the year before the ice-cream social was the annual induction ceremony. Senior Heather Valencic reflected, "The ceremony was really special because there was a hushed and expectant atmosphere. It was exciting not knowing who would be inducted until their names were announced." As the year drew to a close, senior officer Christy Goff, concluded, "I think NHS had a great year full of accomplishments, improvements and friendships. Although there were frustrating moments as an officer, I'll never forget all the fun things we did, and more importantly, the feeling of satisfaction I got from helping others in the school and community."



**BOWLING FOR BUCKS.** NHS sponsored a St. Patrick's Day Bowl-A-Thon to raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Participating at Mason

Lanes are Kim Burch who was top fundraiser, Apryl Berg, Jean McNease, Brent Hunter and Jenny Loudon.



**FOOD AT LAST.** Enjoying refreshments in the Library after the NHS Induction Ceremony are Jon Esch, Kelly Boss, Amy Zechinato and Koralie Hill.



"As a 1969 alumni of Holt High School, this morning has had a significant impact on me. Sitting through my son's courses makes me appreciate the pace he lives at and the knowledge that he acquires and is responsible for on a daily basis. It has been an eye-opener for an objective adult, now removed from her former high school. Holt is a great place to be! Thank you for the experience."

--Sherry Ellis Hurwitz  
Parents' Day



**ENJOYING THE MOMENT.** Taking the opportunity to meet with parents, Superintendent Mark Maksimowicz talks with senior Kim Hannig's mom after the Honors' Night program at the reception in the Library. Many administrators, teachers and parents were on hand to congratulate students receiving awards.

**GETTING THE ORDER RIGHT.** Working the drive-thru in her part-time job at MacDonald's is graduate Naomi Doyle. Like many other students employed in area businesses, she is there for the paycheck and the experience, with the fringe benefit of meeting new friends.





## More Than Meets *the Eye!*

Geez! There goes another friendly customer. I think it would kill him to crack a smile. But the next time he returns, I'll get one out of him! Oh well, another day, another \$3.85. But with that new trainer's position open, the opportunities are endless. I thought this job would be a piece of cake, but was I the fool! It's more than meets the eye... memorizing what's on those burgers...or coming in on those glorious days made only for serious sun bathers. Oh, I've got to gain my composure. Manager number one just walked by me with an evaluation form. Maybe if I tell her that her haircut looks great, I'll get that trainer's position. No, hold on, I'll get to the top with my abilities, even though that paycheck would look great with that raise. Hey, my manager looks pleased. She even smiled. Things aren't so bad after all. In fact, it's kind of fun. Look out all fast food franchises, here I come!



**KIDDIE ROCK.** With the help of Ronald MacDonald, area youngsters warm up before they rock the crowd of parents and onlookers with their lip-sung performance. The band was part of the entertainment at the Magic Ride festivities on June 9 to raise money to fund child abuse programs.



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## Seeing...

*Is Believing!*

### Cheerleading Clinic

**A TASTE OF HIGH SCHOOL.** Being able to cheer with the Fall Cheerleaders left many area elementary students with a sense of what it would be like to cheer in high school. The students spent a few hours on a Saturday afternoon learning a few simple chants that they then performed at the Homecoming game on October 20.







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## Love notes



Jason,  
We wish you much love  
and success as you strive to  
make your dreams come true.  
Congratulations and good  
luck.  
Love, Mom, Dad and Alex



Marni,  
We are so proud of you and  
the person you have become.  
All our love,  
Mom, Dad and Brian



Allison,  
What a joy it is to watch you  
grow into a beautiful young  
woman. We are so proud of  
you!  
Love, Mom and Dad



Jill,  
Never be afraid to raise your  
voice for honesty and truth and  
compassion against injustice  
and lying and greed. If people  
all over the world, would do  
this, it would change the earth.  
And remember, you will al-  
ways be "Queen" of our hearts.  
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hair. Congratulations.  
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eycutt



Marley-Jo,  
You've come a long way  
"Baby."  
Love ya,  
Mom and Dad Shepard



Kerri,  
We wish you only the best.  
Love,  
Mom and Dad



Dear Rindy,  
You are our sunshine! We  
hope your life is as wonderful  
as you are.  
Love, Mom and Dad

Missy,  
Thanks for you loving ways  
and great spirit. We're proud.  
Have an exciting life.  
Love, Dad, Mom, Michael  
and Mindy

## ✓ Believe It...

or Not!

What is your favorite  
radio station?

<b>92.1FM</b>	<b>45%</b>
<b>95FM</b>	<b>17%</b>
<b>Q106</b>	<b>4%</b>
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in the world.

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ery.

Being a famous 6%  
movie star.

## Love notes



Brian,  
Don't ever settle for less  
than your own ambitions and  
may you surpass your own  
dreams. Congratulations.  
Love, Mom Fournier



Heidi,  
Well you finally did it! We  
thank God for you! Our love  
for you has grown more each  
day.  
Mom and Dad Evenson



Charlene,  
Thank you for 18 years of fun,  
loving and caring. We are so  
proud of you.  
All our love,  
Dad and Mom



Scotty,  
Being known as your parents  
has been our pride. Yes, even  
the pranks you made on the  
side. We wish you all the  
happiness and success life can  
provide.  
Love, Mom and Dad

Laura,  
We're proud of you and we  
love you very much. May you  
always be as happy as you've  
made us.  
Love,  
Mom and Dad Dickenson



## Lovenotes



Stacey,

You have given us so much to be proud of. We love you and wish you much success along life's challenging road ahead of you!

Mom and Dad Johnson



Pumpkin,

Be creative! Spread your talents and soar the heights. Make all your dreams reality.

Love,  
Mom and Dad Maki



Debby,

Like a rose, darling daughter, we have watched you grow with pride. Beautiful to look at, yet more beautiful inside.

Love, Mom and Dad



Barry Kevin,

This message comes with love from the heart. We hope your life is filled with happiness and joy, as ours has been with you down through the years!

Love, Mom, Lon and Cindy

Jennie,

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## Seeing...

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### The Community Turns Out

**COLD THOUGHTS.** Battling the freezing weather, judge Claudia Baisel listens to the advice of her daughter and friend while deciding on which float ranked first. "All the floats were so good this year that it was hard to decide. I did not mind the weather because it was really fun to judge and I can't wait to do it next year!" exclaimed Claudia. Many parents and community members were on hand to view the October Homecoming Parade.



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### Magic Ride

**TIME OUT FOR A PIT STOP.** An area student gets his bike repaired by a local bicycle shop which set up temporary quarters in the student parking lot on June 9 for Magic Ride. Held at the High School, the fundraiser for child abuse programs is a popular early summer activity and is coordinated by Representative Debbie Stabenow. Perfect weather contributed to the success of the day while local establishments and community organizations donated their services.





*Congratulations to Debi Freye, Heidi Pitcher,  
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**ily and Friends**

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**Poor.**

## *Love*notes



Karen,  
Good luck and best wishes  
to a wonderful daughter. En-  
joy MSU. We'll miss you.  
Love,  
Mom and Dad Crawford



Heather,  
You are the spark that has  
kept us young and alive.  
Thanks for being a part of our  
lives.  
Mom and Dad Bannick



Renee Gamet,  
From the terrible twos  
through the trying teens, we've  
loved you more every step of  
the way.  
Love, Mom and Dad



Dale Streeter,  
You have made us so happy  
and we are so proud you are our  
son and brother. Good luck  
and happiness for your future.  
Love, Dad, Mom, David and  
Brennan

Brooke,  
Since the day you painted  
the dog flourescent orange, we  
knew you would have a bright  
and glowing future.  
Love, Mom and Dad  
Melissajo and Grandma



## Lovenotes



Kara,  
We love you and we want to tell the whole world, "That's our daughter. She's made us proud."  
Love,  
Mom and Dad Kreiner



Kris,  
We wish you all the happiness and love you have given us. You make us proud!  
We love you,  
Mom and Dad



Jim,  
You have filled our lives with happiness and laughter. Good luck in everything you do and God bless you.  
Love, Mom and Dad Lopez and your five sisters.



Dear Nancy Pike,  
Dream...and the future takes form. Believe...and your halfway there. Work...and climb to fulfillment. We are so proud of you. Your genuine, caring, loving spirit is a joy to all who have the good fortune of knowing you. Respectfully with all our love,  
Mom and Dad



*"To Believe  
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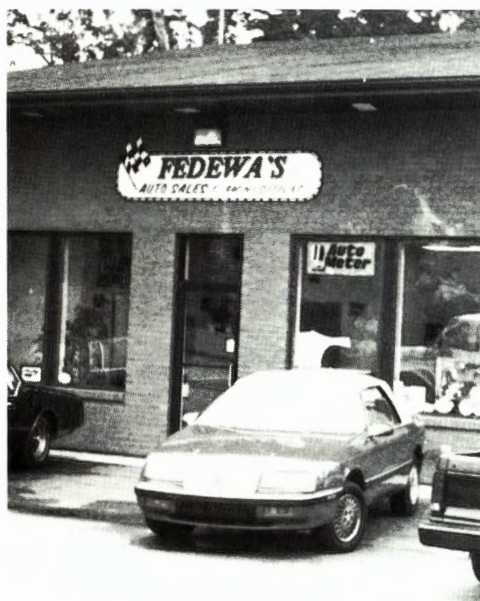
**DOLLAR WISE.** Fundraising for the Swim Club and the Booster organization at Spartan Stadium in October are parents of swimmers. Each home game weekend the boosters manned the booth selling soft drinks and other refreshments. Many other community and school organizations took the opportunity provided by MSU concessions to finance their projects.





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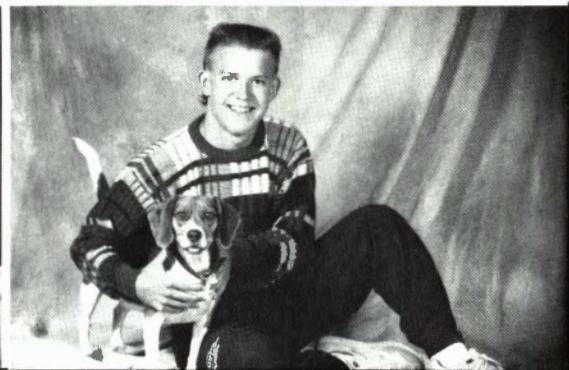
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<b>Other</b>	<b>20%</b>

*Love notes*



Nikki,

You have brought such pride and enjoyment to our lives, don't ever change. GOOD LUCK and NEVER STOP SMILING!!!

We love you,  
Mom and Dad Lillywhite



Monna,

May time never change your ways and may your future bring you the success and happiness you deserve.

Love, Mom



Sarah,

Your gorgeous smile is an added touch to the love and joy you have brought us all these years.

Mom and Dad Miller



Jeff,

You will always have my love and support in all you do. Love, Mom

I am confident of your future because of your success you have shared with me in the past. Love, Dad



## Lovenotes



Stacie,

My your tomorrows be filled with as much love and happiness as you have given us. We love you lots! Dad, Mom, Monty and Eric Clark



Amy Lounds,

Having a wonderful daughter like you has been a joy. We are very proud of you and all your achievements. Love, Mom and Dad



Anissa,

Your Dad and I have watched you grow up to be a young lady to be very proud of. We love you very much. Mom and Dad Stubig



John Feland,

For all your sharing and caring. We love you. We couldn't have made it in Michigan without you. We know you'll go far. Love, Mama, Daddy, Brothers

Ann,

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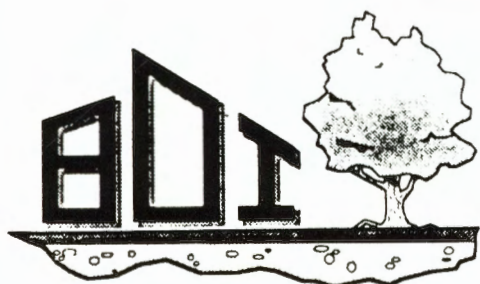
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### Parents Day

**GOING THROUGH THE MOTIONS.** Getting help from student teacher, Mr. Loney, in Physics lab is senior Tom Maki's mom, Jane. If parents came to school in place of their teen, they got to experience what a day of high school was like in the 90's, while their son or daughter got a day off. The exchange worked wonders for enlightenment with fun times enjoyed on both sides.





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## Lovenotes



Bridgett and Brenda,

Twins, however different  
as day and night with their own  
special traits. May all your  
dreams be fulfilled. We love  
you both.

Love, Mom and Dad Wood



Shannon VanSchoik,

May your successes in life  
always walk hand-in-hand  
with the love, joy and happi-  
ness you bring others.

Love, Mom



Ann,

Always let your inner  
beauty shine. Nurture your life  
through Christ. Now and for-  
ever is our love for you!

Love, Mom and Dad Spitz



Eric,

We are very proud of you.  
You have made us very happy.  
Stay true to yourself; listen to  
your heart; there are no limits!

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Kathy,

May your life be filled with happiness and may our fun times on ice last forever. Love, Mom and Dad Nelson



Heidi Pitcher,

I wish you joy in your life, success in your future and happiness always. I'm so very proud of you. Love, Mom



Rick,

Your accomplishments are too numerous to mention! Each one brought SMILES to our faces! We love you, Dad, Mom, Rovert, David and Stevie Resio

## ✓ Believe It... or Not!

What do you like best about your favorite fast food restaurants?

**Happy Meals  
19%**

**Burgers  
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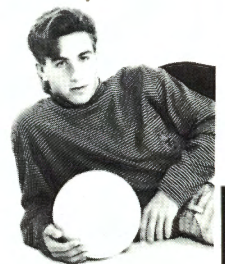
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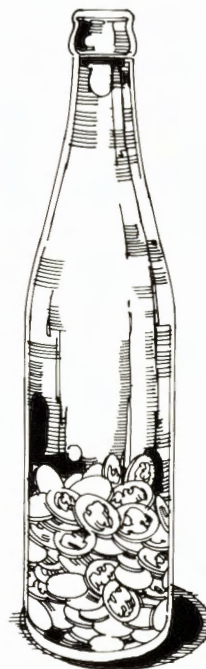
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## Seeing...

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### Senior Prom

**CAREFUL TOUCH.** Pinning a corsage on a senior prom goer is High School senior, Jennifer Jewett. Community Education staged the event at the Junior High School cafeteria in May and High School National Honor Society students helped host the dance for seniors in the community.



 **Believe It...**

*or Not!*

What fast food restaurant  
makes the best burger?

**Burger King**  
**37%**

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hood days. May God watch  
over you as your adulthood  
begins.  
Love, Mom, Dave and Patrick



Randi Foster,  
Good luck in your tomor-  
rows. Be wise in your deci-  
sions, and learn from your  
mistakes.  
Love, Mom and Jerry

Dearest Carl,  
May your future be filled  
with as much joy and pleasure  
as you have given all of us.  
Mom, Dad, Family and Texas

Dear Debi,  
We wish you all the happi-  
ness and joy that life can offer.  
God bless you.  
Love,  
Mom and Dad Beehler

Jen,  
Congratulations! You have  
achieved a fine goal. Now it's  
time to reach higher still. You  
can do it!  
Love, Dad and Mom

Paul Carr,  
I'm proud of you for being  
so brave and strong this past  
year. Thank you for being a  
great son.  
Love, Mom

Jennifer Clapp,  
Way to go! We knew you  
could do it! You've passed the  
first hurdle of your lifetime.  
Just as in the past, don't worry,  
things always work out if you  
take them a day at a time.  
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Mom, Dad and Chris

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paginagle." Now, give your  
joy to the world and make it a  
better place for all of us.  
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**DOING THE HONORS.** Presenting 3.5 Senior, Sean Burns with his award certificate is President of the Board of Education, Alton Granger at the 3.5 Dinner at the Junior High School in May. Sean was also a Top Ten Senior and joined his friends and family again for another school-community event after the Kiwanian Top Ten Dinner.

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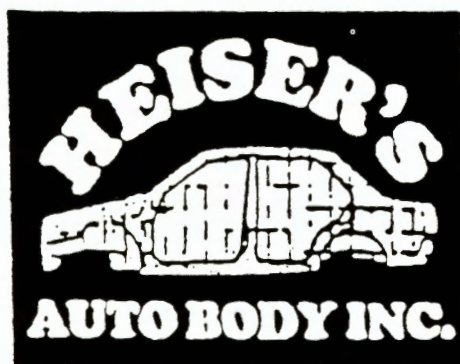
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**Board of Education**

**IN SESSION.** Considering the issues brought before them by administrators and the community are Board members, Floyd Conklin, Jacqueline Wood, George Bird, Richard Royston, Robert Ebersole and Richard Allen at their March Board meeting in the Education Center. Board members served as the vital link between the District and its community and made decisions on all aspects of education from curriculum to funding, to restructuring the school day.





**JUST WHEN YOU THOUGHT YOU HAD THE ANSWER...** Students found themselves back to the books in the quiet solitude of study hall to find the answers to their homework questions once again. As the year wore on, students realized it was a never-ending process until graduation.

## Where to find the answer!

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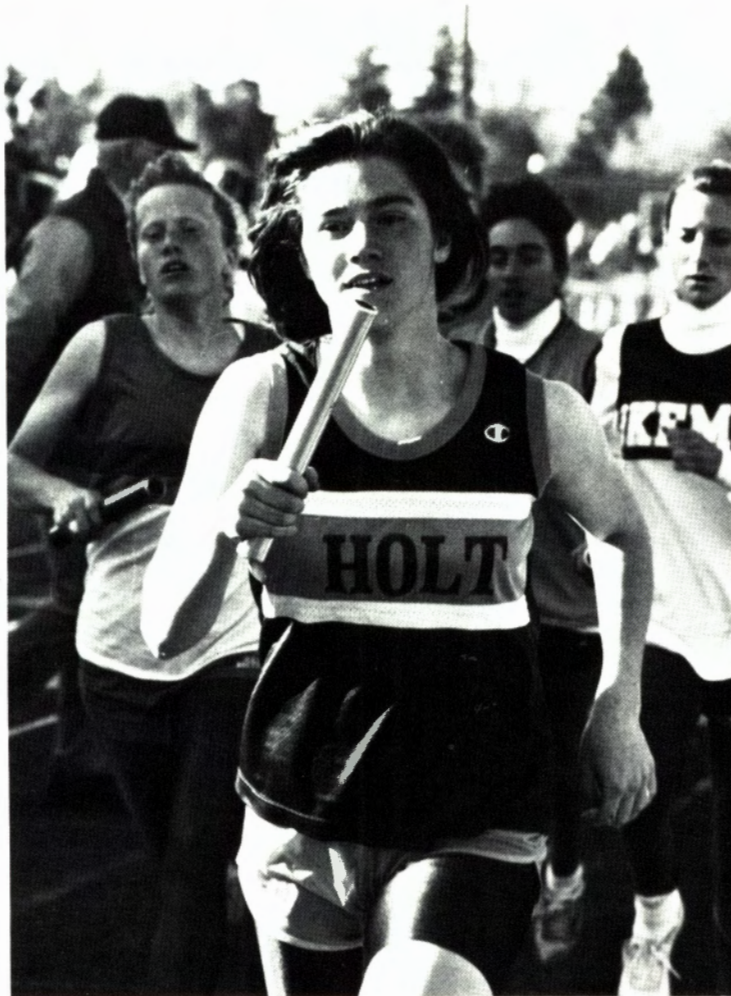
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**BEFORE YOU KNOW IT.** The day drifted on for Robert Chingman, Jon Rectenwaldt, Darcy Abdo, and Stan Granger, as they watched a home JV Football game from their perches in the stadium. Socializing mixed with loyal fan support alternated through the afternoon as students enjoyed their quiet time in the midst of the rivalry.

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**HELP ALONG THE WAY.** Discussing her assignment with Communications Arts teacher, Ann Kast, is sophomore Apryl Berg. Teachers found the time for individual attention despite the hectic committee schedule for school improvement and projects undertaken this year to retool education.



**WHAT NOW?** Done for the day in her Sociology class, senior Kara Kreiner catches the lens in a pensive mood after winding down from the excitement of cross-over dressing on Opposite Sex Day during Spirit Week. The event was most popular and provided many laughs for students and staff alike.

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# Take it from those who know...

Rumor had it that the *Rampages* staff worked overtime throughout the school year and beyond. You've got to be kidding, right? WRONG! That fact became what is displayed before your eyes on 244 pages of all 650 copies! Since "What's Next?" was the staff's first desktop yearbook, extra months spent learning the Apple Macintosh Desktop Publishing System were in store. With four Macintosh SE 20MB hard disk computers, a Laserwriter IINT printer, and an Apple scanner, we were ready to program Volume 60 and submit it on the Yeartech disk program to Jostens American Yearbook Company of Topeka, Kansas. The software programs used were Aldus Pagemaker, Aldus Freehand, Microsoft Word and Cricket Draw. Don Mead of Advanced Management Systems in Okemos bailed us out when we ran into difficulties and helped us work our way through the year. Coordinating the details and diverting the questions to the source with all the answers was Sales Representative, Michael Lafferty while In-Plant Consultant, Raul Alcantar, assisted in all stages of production.

Designing the book became a creative break from mastering the technical aspects and the goal was to achieve a sophisticated design without the obvious desktop look. More polls, quotes and infographics were used and typography was emphasized in the design. A variety of typefaces were incorporated, but principally Freestyle Script, Brushscript, Zapf Chancery, Revue and Aachen Bold predominated for graphics, while the 10 point body copy, 8 point caption copy and most of the headlines and subheads were set in Times.

Process color was shown in the Opening and the Individuals section. Spot colors, Rich Red and Royal Purple were speckled in the Magazine signature and displayed on parchment paper stock. The remainder of the book was printed on 100# gloss enamel stock and bound in a litho printed and embossed 150 point board cover stock, rounded and backed with headbands.

Whoever said two minds were better than one was right. Pursuing what's next and meeting four major deadlines was a group effort combined with before school, after school and weekend work sessions. But it was accomplished with quick caption writers and designers among others including:

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**Awards:** Working in the shadow of the '89 volume had its rewards and limitations for beating the "Right Combination" was a challenge. The book earned a Medalist rating and four All-Columbians from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, while the National Scholastic Press Association awarded it a First Place rating with a mark of distinction in copywriting. In state judging, the book received the Spartan Award with twelve first place and three second place awards out of fifteen categories of judging from the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association. With her eye for photography, Editor Nikki Kingsley earned the First Place Award in Photography from MIPA.

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# Just Answer *the Question!*

As the year ended, you remembered the question, **“What’s Next?”** You discovered it was not only a question but a challenge and in some cases, an ongoing one that couldn’t be answered completely.

You faced such challenges by taking on life-long projects like recycling and innovating education. The Professional Development School Program began working on new ways to produce better teachers and learning outcomes. A new and updated computer lab was installed to keep up with computer technology, while plans were studied to restructure the school day. Starting such projects made you realize how much more there was to do.



**NEW YORK LIGHTS.** Enjoying the fast-paced life of New York city on their summer vacation trip are senior Brooke Chappell and her sister, sophomore Crystal. They enjoyed sightseeing and a visit to the Hard Rock Cafe.



**FOUR MINDS ARE BETTER THAN ONE.** Working cooperatively in small groups in their Spanish class are juniors Amy Wright, Denya Shimnoski and Kelly Boss, while enjoying a little help from teacher Juanita Grew. Viewed as what's next in educational methodology, Cooperative Learning was the subject of much discussion and practice as teachers developed methods of instruction to improve learning outcomes as part of the work of the Professional Development School.



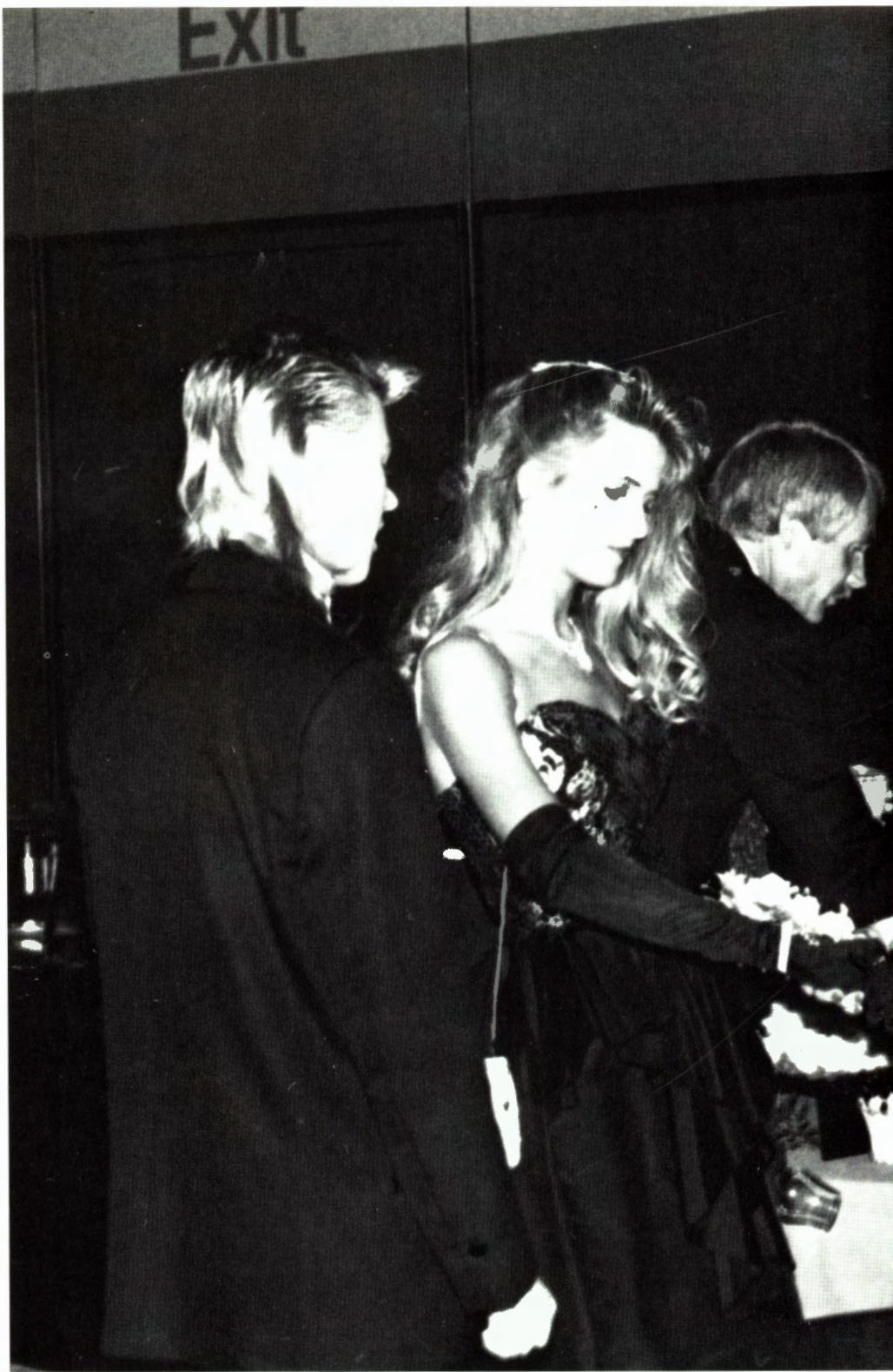


**BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS.** Taking on the hurdles at the Holt Invitational meet is senior Regina Haynes. The Girls' Track Team raced to a first place finish in the CAC while Regina went on to qualify and place in state competition answering the question of what's next for their season.

**POP ART COKE.** Measuring to get the correct proportion for an oversize papier mache coke bottle inspired by popular culture and the plastic version are junior Phillip Mitchell and sophomore Amanda Clare who worked on it as a group project in first hour Constructions class.



**GETTING IT RIGHT.** Helping nursery school students in their Child Development class are junior Becky Gasch and seniors David Simmons and Nikki Miller. Learning about how to care for children was part of the preparation for what's next in many students lives beyond high school.



**ISN'T IT PRETTY?** Admiring senior Jill Souza's corsage as she enters Prom is junior Andrea Bird while senior Darin Leaf watches the exchange. Prom offered students

just what they wanted in the way of a formal event replete with the tradition of giving corsages to one's date. It was held at the Lansing Center on May 12.



# It's a Matter of *Opinion!*

A tie for first place in the CAC answered what was next for the Girls' Track Team. The Boys' Tennis Team also decided to start out the decade in the win column by earning a second place title in the CAC. Stepping into a new decade wasn't as hard as you thought as you found yourself answering the question through your accomplishments and activities.

As you strived to meet the continuing challenges, the people who joined you may have changed. But perhaps you will never forget who began answering the question with you...your lab partner, your best friend, your family, your doubles partner, your co-chair, your colleague, your prom date, your clique.

You pursued the question, in some ways answering it, in others, leaving it open for discussion. **You made it happen, you made it next!**

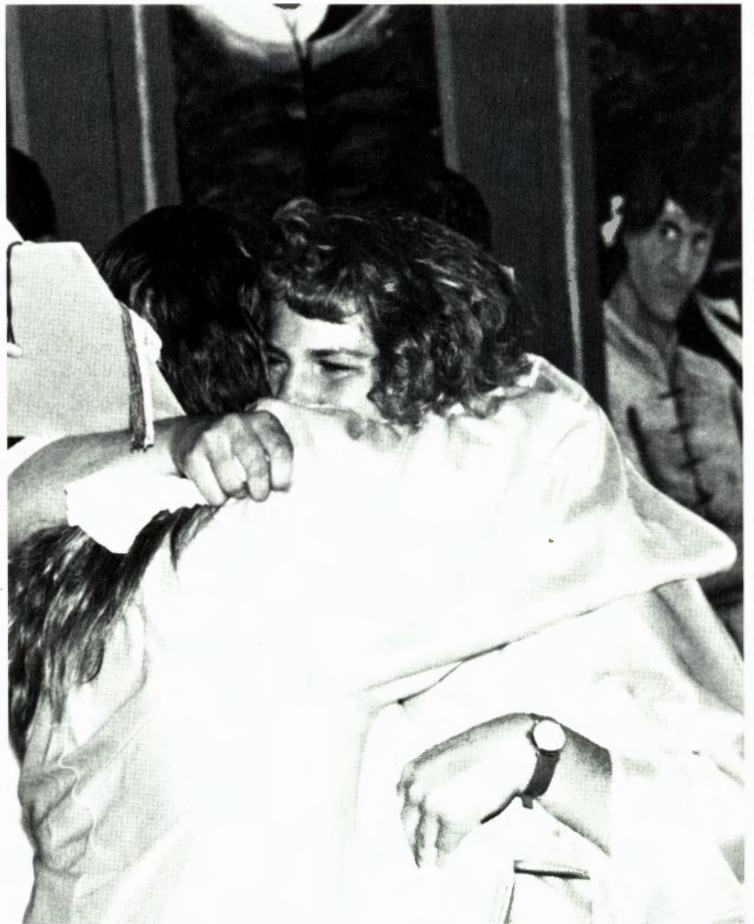


**LEAPING LIZARDS.** Playing with his pet lizard on his time off is senior Dominic Perrone. Many students enjoyed their pets who provided much affection and a little bit of work.




# *It's Up To You!*

With Kleenix in hand, senior Amy Parkhouse hugs her friend, Jody Pierce, after the Baccalaureate service. The event was the beginning of a day full of tears, laughter, sadness and happiness for seniors as they asked themselves, "**What's Next?**" For the past year they've been planning the answer to the question and now it was suddenly before them. But the experience of facing the challenge gave some the will to do, and knowing that friends will always be there, gave others, the soul to dare.







"This year has been special for me. It was exciting being a senior and spending my last year with friends that I have been with since grade school. Every time we experienced something new we asked, **What's next?**

Finally, as seniors, we felt we were the leaders. Homecoming was the absolute best! Our class worked so hard for our victories, but the time and effort were well worth it! Often I stopped and looked at what was going on and tried to get a mental picture of it to save forever. It didn't have to be anything special, just an everyday activity.

I tried to make the most of this year because I realized, **This is it!** I didn't want to look back as an adult and realize I missed a lot of chances and fun. I wanted to be able to say, I did everything I wanted to do!"

-- Senior Brian Woods







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