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**We're the best!**

Proudly showing his own brand of spirit is senior Jamie Burch at a home Varsity Basketball game December 10, 1993.

**All wrapped up!**

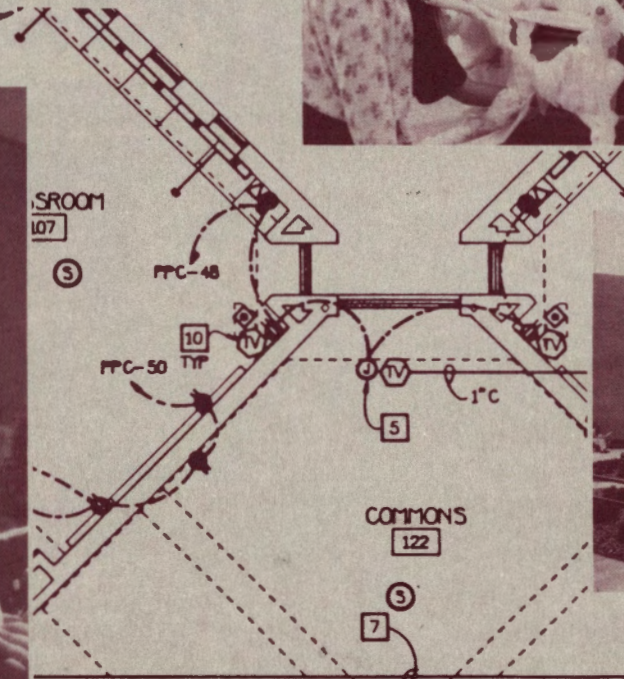
Creating a live sculpture the opening week of Ms. Anderson's Constructions class are Kym Loomis, Andrea Andrews and Vanessa Spencer.



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**Numero uno seniors**

Showing their spirit during the loudmouth contest at the Homecoming pep assembly are Hilary Dahlgren, Shanda Cochran, Julie Corr, Melanie Berg, Autumn Shaver and Kristin Duncan.

**Underconstruction**

The foundation for the new addition is underway in late October. The completed renovation was general contracted by Christman Company.

**The crowd roars**

Cheering on the home team at the Varsity Basketball game against Mason is JV Basketball player Dave Pratt.





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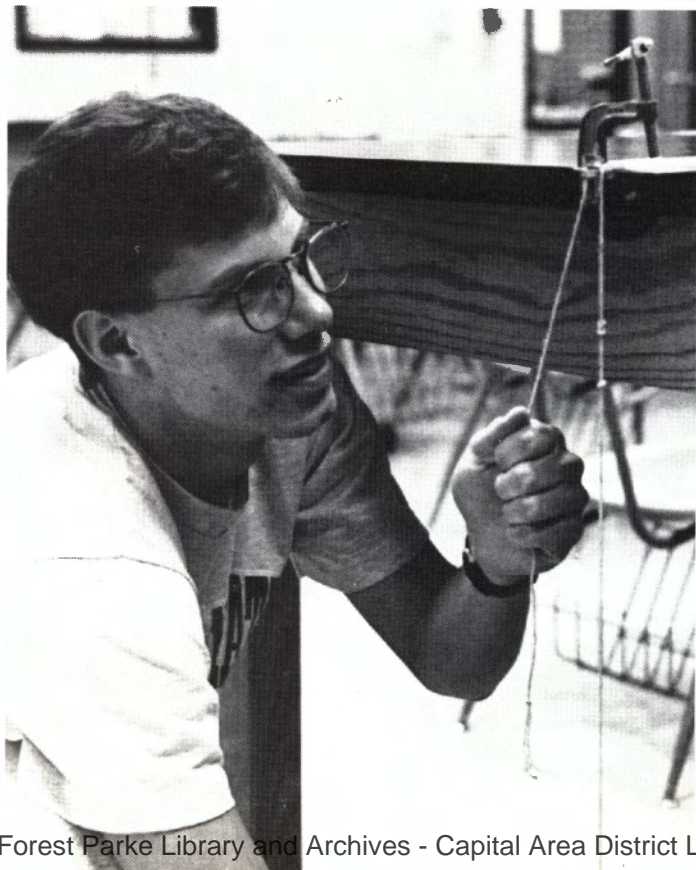


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## Unleashed Spirit

Screaming with anticipation, seniors Mandy Bowler, Teya Shimnōski, Kelly Anderson, Chris Sharp and Peter Kenyon let loose at the Homecoming pep assembly on October 8. Seniors plugged in the spirit to win the traditional class rivalries of hall decorations and theme day participation.







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## Letting Loose

Leading chants for the Senior Class at the Homecoming pep assembly are cheerleaders Wendy Hoezel and Jayme Lawrence. The seniors cinched victories for their hall decorations and Theme Day participation. (Right)

## Screaming Senior

Raising the volume for his classmates in the Loudmouth Jug Contest is senior Carl Packer at the October Homecoming pep assembly. Seniors became unhinged in an all-out effort to top underclassmen during the Spirit Week competitions. (Left, center)

### Photo Collage:

Field Day, LeeAnn Hunter, Pete Kenyon; Prom, Meggin Cramer, Amy Decker; Pep Band, Sara McCarty; Physics Class, Brian Cole; Spring Musical, Shannon Hoekwater; Construction crew, Christman Co.; Hat Day, Catie Rashid, Kendra Hoffman, Kristin Duncan.



Plugging in overtime, the administration and staff got the school prepped for students just hours before the buzzer sounded at 7:40 a.m. on August 23. It was the first day of the extended school year, and opening was not an easy task due to renovation time-line problems.

A long line of students outside the Counseling

Center with scheduling problems was an early sign of the confusion students faced along with renumbered rooms and redesigned hallways.

Though a few blackboards and pencil sharpeners hadn't been fastened to the walls, the newly wired air conditioning left some feeling like an arctic freeze had hit in August, and the

technology system remained unplugged, most of the major problems had been rectified.

Many people were plugged into the new look of the building. Double-size classrooms were built for team teaching, science labs were redesigned, and a new commons area was provided for students. Classrooms were equipped with tele-

visions, VCR's, and computers networked to the library and main offices.

Though many were impressed with the architecture, a few policy changes caused some students to become unhinged. The prohibition of smoking on or near campus, a crackdown on

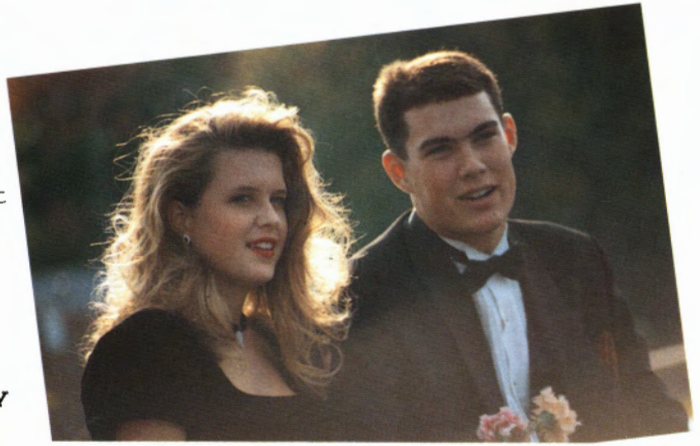
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**New Horizons**

Waiting for the Homecoming parade to roll, Sophomore Court members Sarah Cribley and Scott Lawrence chat quietly. "Homecoming was very exciting and it was an honor to represent my class."

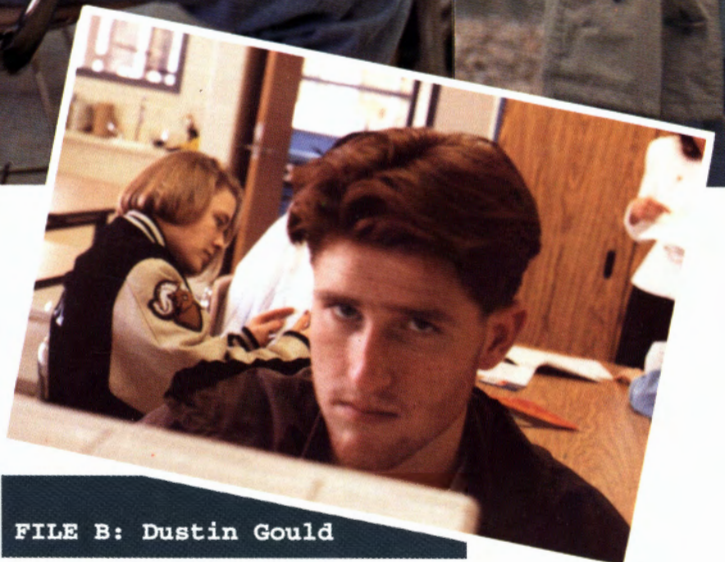
**Sophomore Sarah Cribley**

**Monkeying Around**

Making their class assignment a revisit of their childhood elementary school playground are seniors Jake Gingrich and Sean Malone. Jake explained, "Mass media was great because we hung out and shot videos a lot of the time. It was a lot of fun."

**Caught by the Lens**

Sporting his Cross Country duds for Brown and Gold Day during Spirit Week, Jake Fortuna shows his sophomore spirit by helping his class become one point closer to the dress up day participation victory.



**FILE B: Dustin Gould**

**I'm Not Amused!**

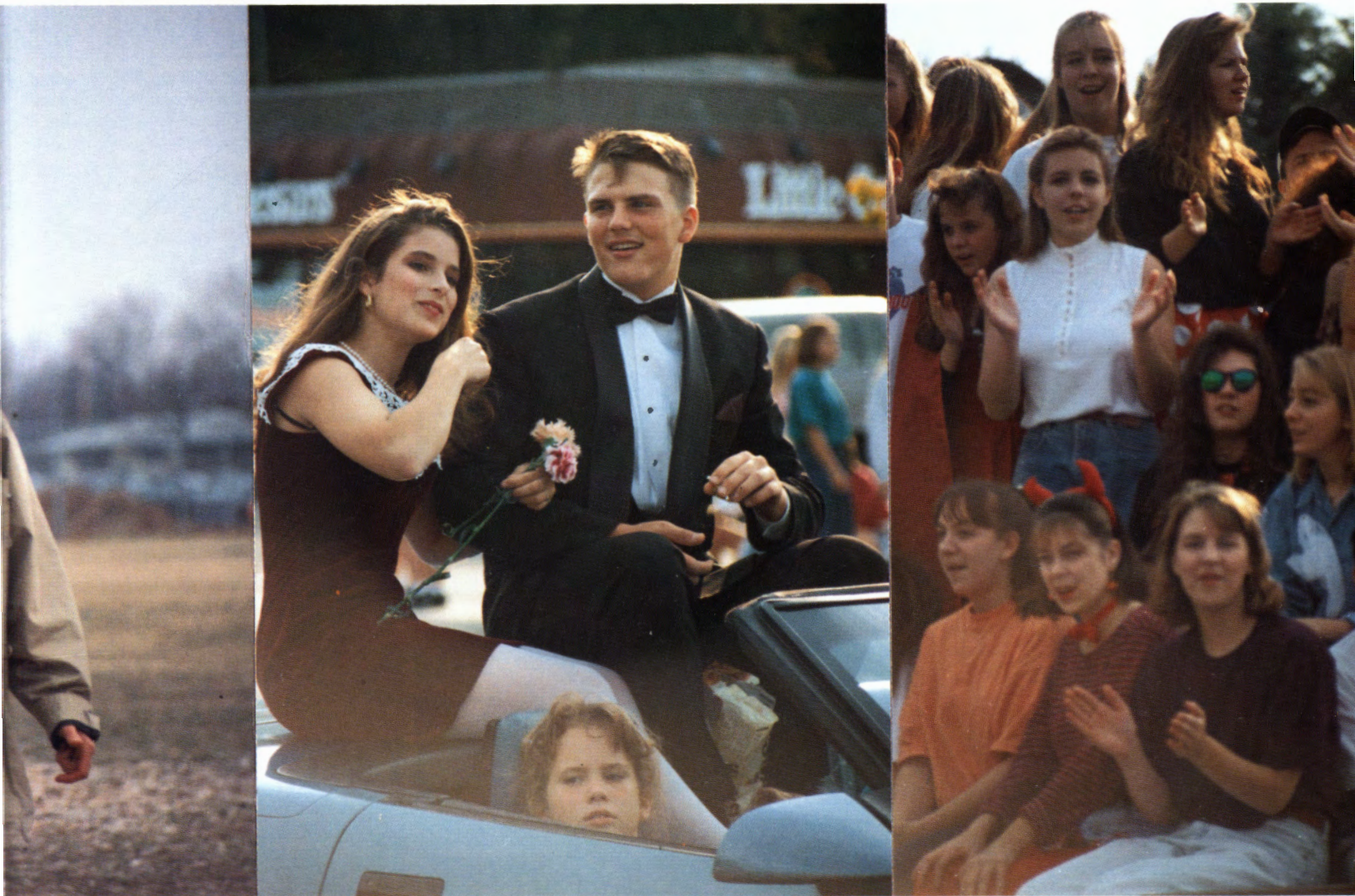
"Writing copy for the newspaper was sometimes tedious, but there were other aspects of the class that were fun, like being able to use your imagination to create any kind of story."

**Senior Dustin Gould**



# Under Scrutiny

FILE C: Tom McKouen



## Picture Perfect

While cruising through town in their Homecoming Court attire, sophomore representatives Tom McKouen, Beth Wilkerson and spirited seniors in the Senior Class pep truck greet the crowd. "My sister got a good laugh out of it and my parents got lots of photos!"

**Sophomore Tom McKouen**

eating outside of the cafeteria, and a ban on Homecoming skits were the beginning. The announcement that drug-sniffing dogs would be used to deter drug use in February was front page news in the *Lansing State Journal* and a hot topic for student discus-

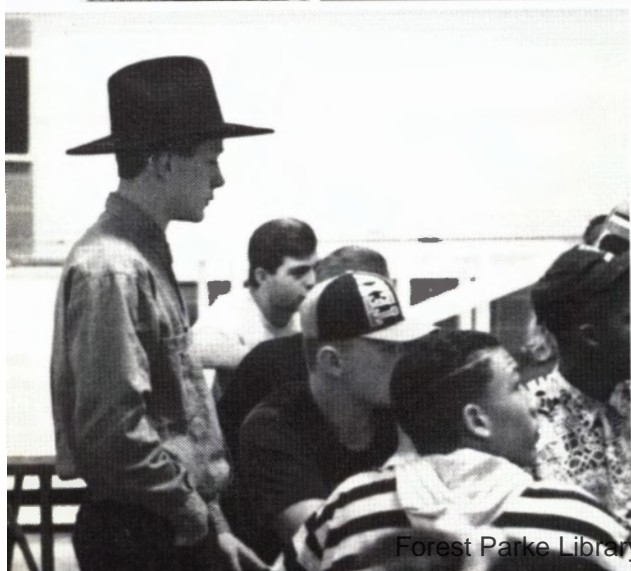
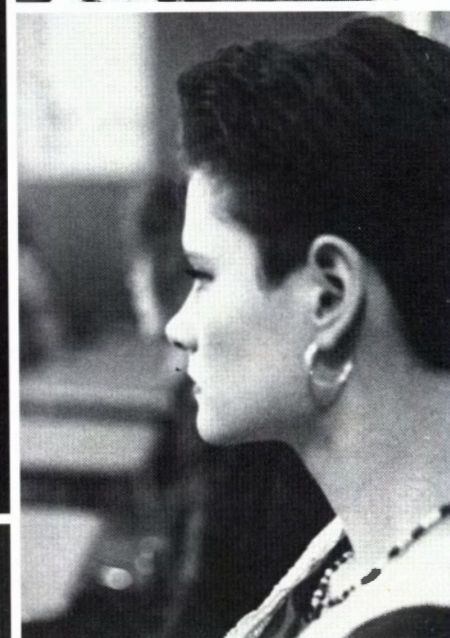
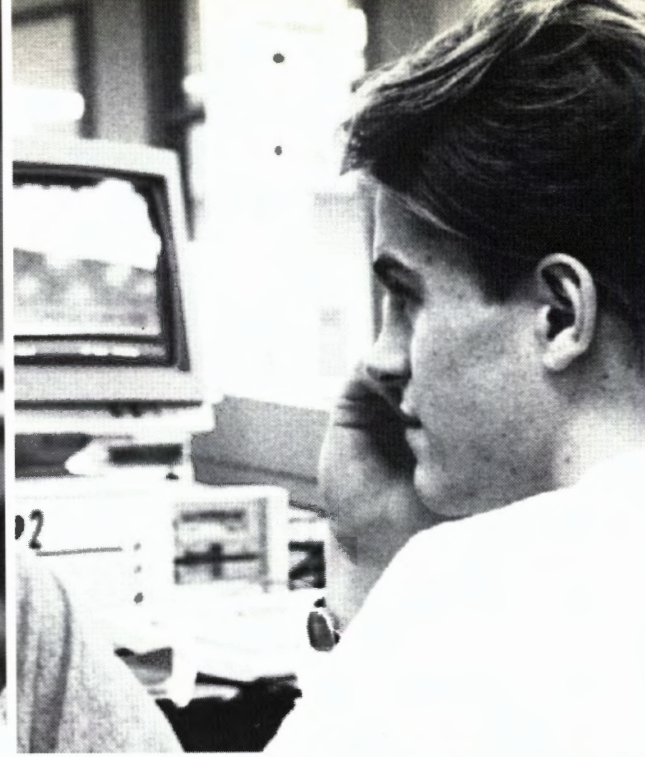
sion.

A quarter of the high school's budget was sliced as school finance reform loomed on the horizon. Though the district had received extra funding for the extended school year, it wasn't enough. Passage of the Headlee Override in September plugged

in an additional \$703,000. Proposal A brought property tax relief, yet many educators were worried about the long-term consequences of educational funding. The financial path remained hazy.

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# under Pressure

## Setting the T one

As high school journalists filled MSU's Kellogg Center for the October MIPA Conference, they were greeted by the sounds of Elton John music performed by senior Dustin Gould. Listening intently are seniors Laura Brinker, Brian Cole and junior Megan Gnass. (Left, center)

**Photo Collage:** Camron Chappell, Jack Becker, Mary Mutty, Rheanna Abbott, Kelly Bush, Jim Coe as the Ram, Pete Kenyon, John Ehnis.

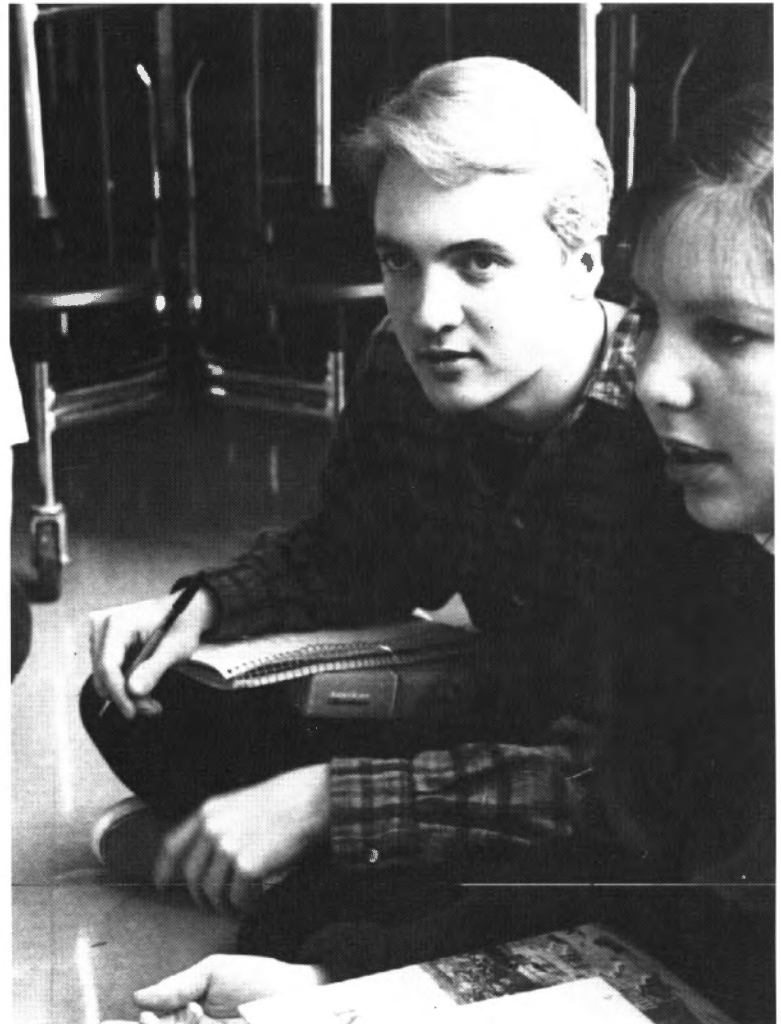
## Prep Time

During a Wednesday activity hour meeting, junior Rob Chapin and senior Melissa Morehouse meet with SADD members to plan activities for a safe driving campaign. Rob was elected chairman of the assembly committee to help promote awareness of the dangers of drinking and driving.

**A**nother hot issue was Advisory. The addition to the Wednesday afternoon schedule of the 25 minute session provided students with an opportunity to work on portfolios and discuss school related issues. At the top of the list was choosing a new principal. Also coming under fire were student concerns

about repaving the parking lot, extending the lunch hour, and even advisory itself.

Then Winter Spirit Week made a comeback with a new twist the week of February 14. Class rivalry wasn't the name of the game. Instead it was a battle between students and teachers in a game of hoop at the pep assembly.



Teachers won the basketball game, while students were good sports about the whole thing.

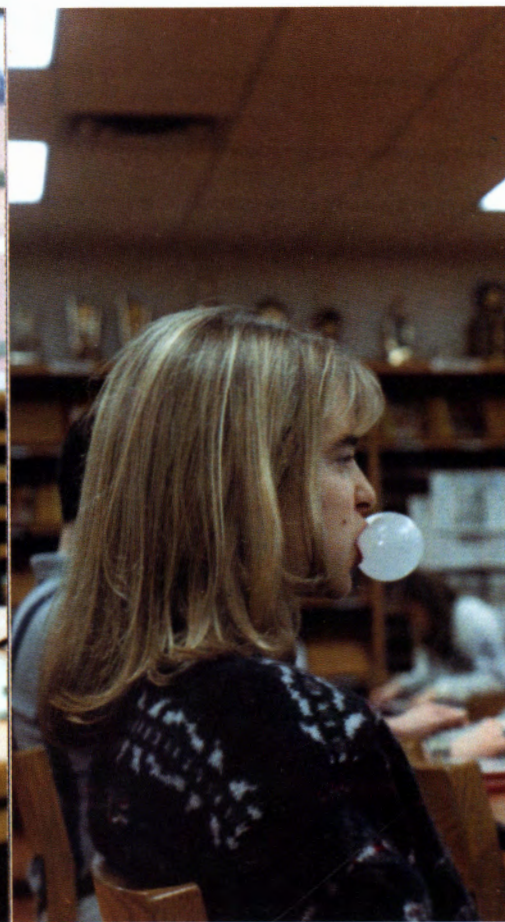
One teacher in particular deserved credit. After all, most teachers probably wouldn't kiss a pig in front of a thousand high school students in the name of school spirit. But then every teacher

wasn't Peter Kressler. Students cast their pennies between him, Assistant Principal Brian Templin, and security guard Claudia Baisel for the "honored opportunity." The competition was stiff for the penny jar event, but in the end, *continued on page 9*



# Under Investigation

FILE A: Joe Schutte

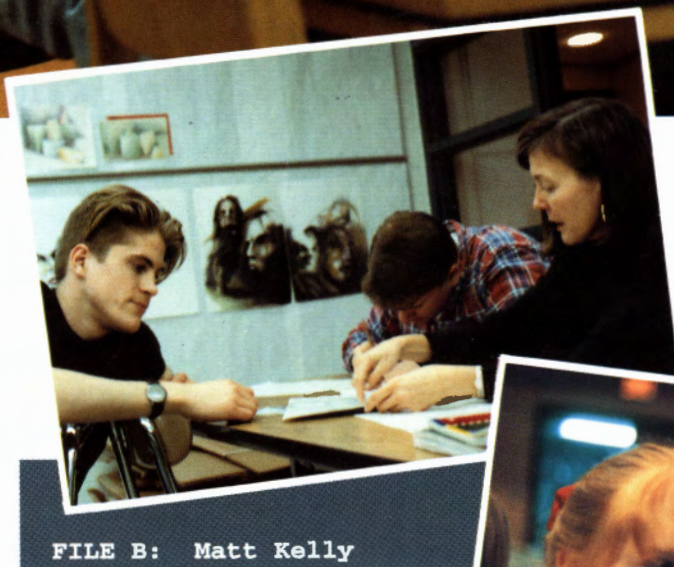


## Deep In Thought

Leaning back and relaxing in the library is senior Joe Schutte as he enjoys a short break from the strains of Consumer Economics.

## Listen Up!

Working intensely is senior Adam Benge, while classmate senior Jack Becker listens carefully while Mrs. Anderson discusses his watercolor painting.



FILE B: Matt Kelly

## Unforgettable Faces

At a senior assembly, soulmates Tricia Hannig and Matt Kelly goof off and exchange thoughts about graduation.



## Don't Burst My Bubble!

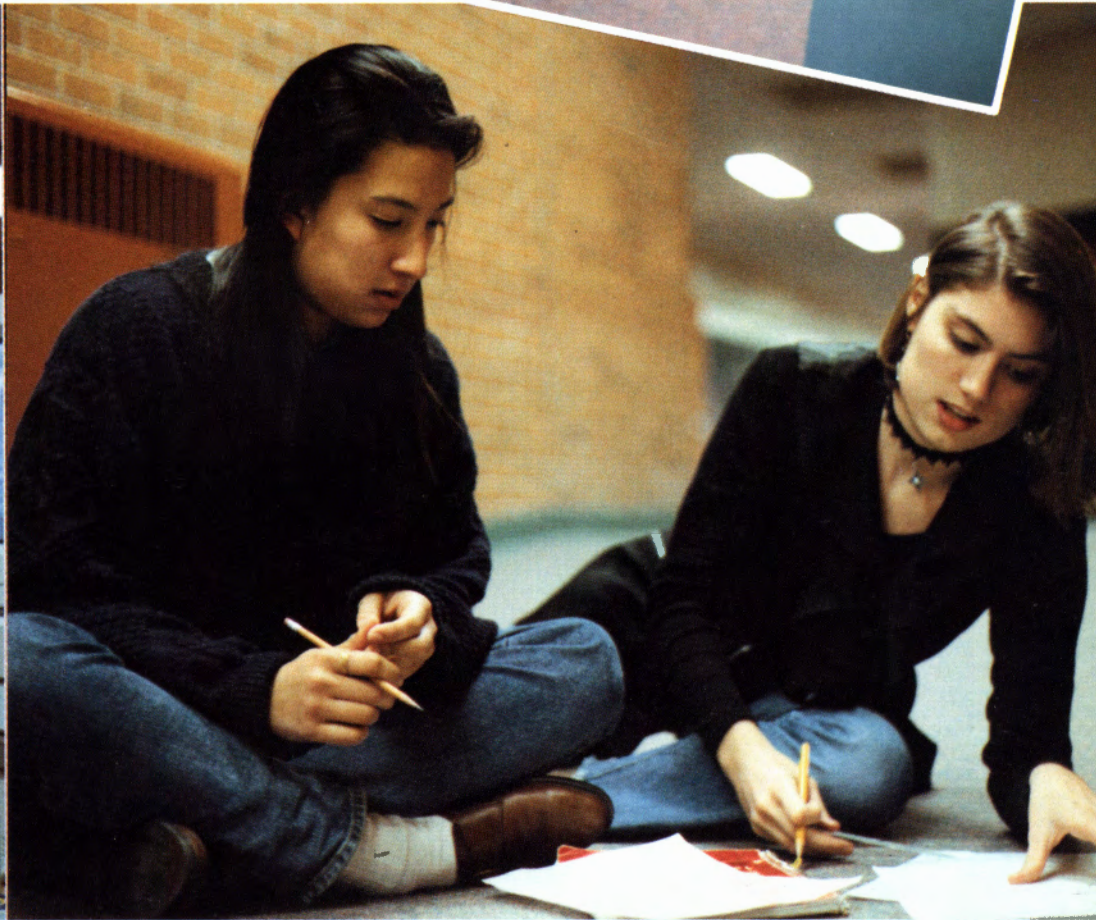
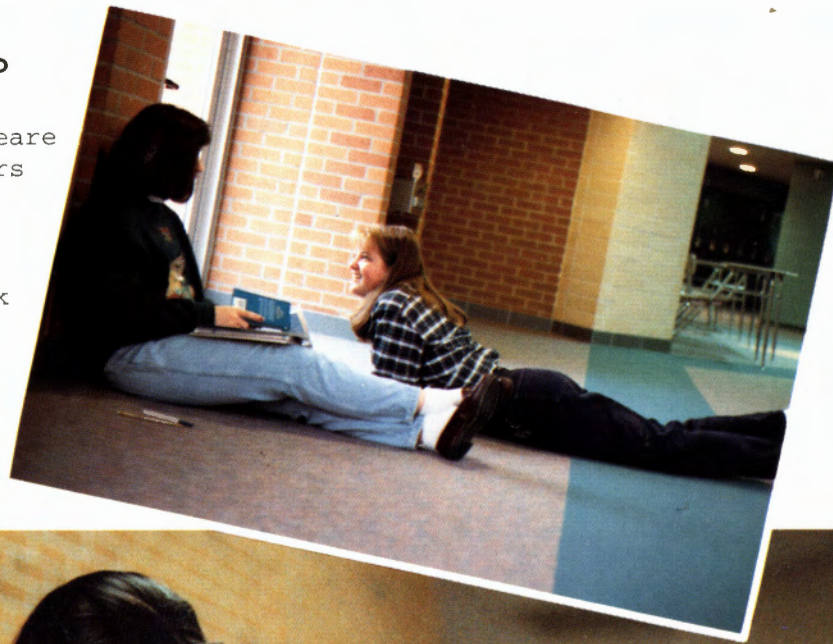
Taking advantage of new computers in the library to word process is senior Melanie Berg, while lab partners Jayme Lawrence and Kristin Duncan complete a Physics lab.



## To Study or Not to Study

Working on a Shakespeare assignment are seniors Chandra Wheeler and April Reinke. "Being best friends made it easier for us to work together. Sometimes we got sidetracked with gossip, but otherwise we were an ideal team."

**April Reinke**



P.K. won out and planted the kiss upon the unsuspecting pig.

Mid winter break wasn't the only chance that students had to kick back and relax. A cold spell in January, plummeted temperatures to 30 below yielding two days off, while a winter storm during the week of semester

exams left students with another four-day mini vacation. Though seniors were off the hook, the rest of the school district had to plug in two makeup days moving the last day of school to June 16.

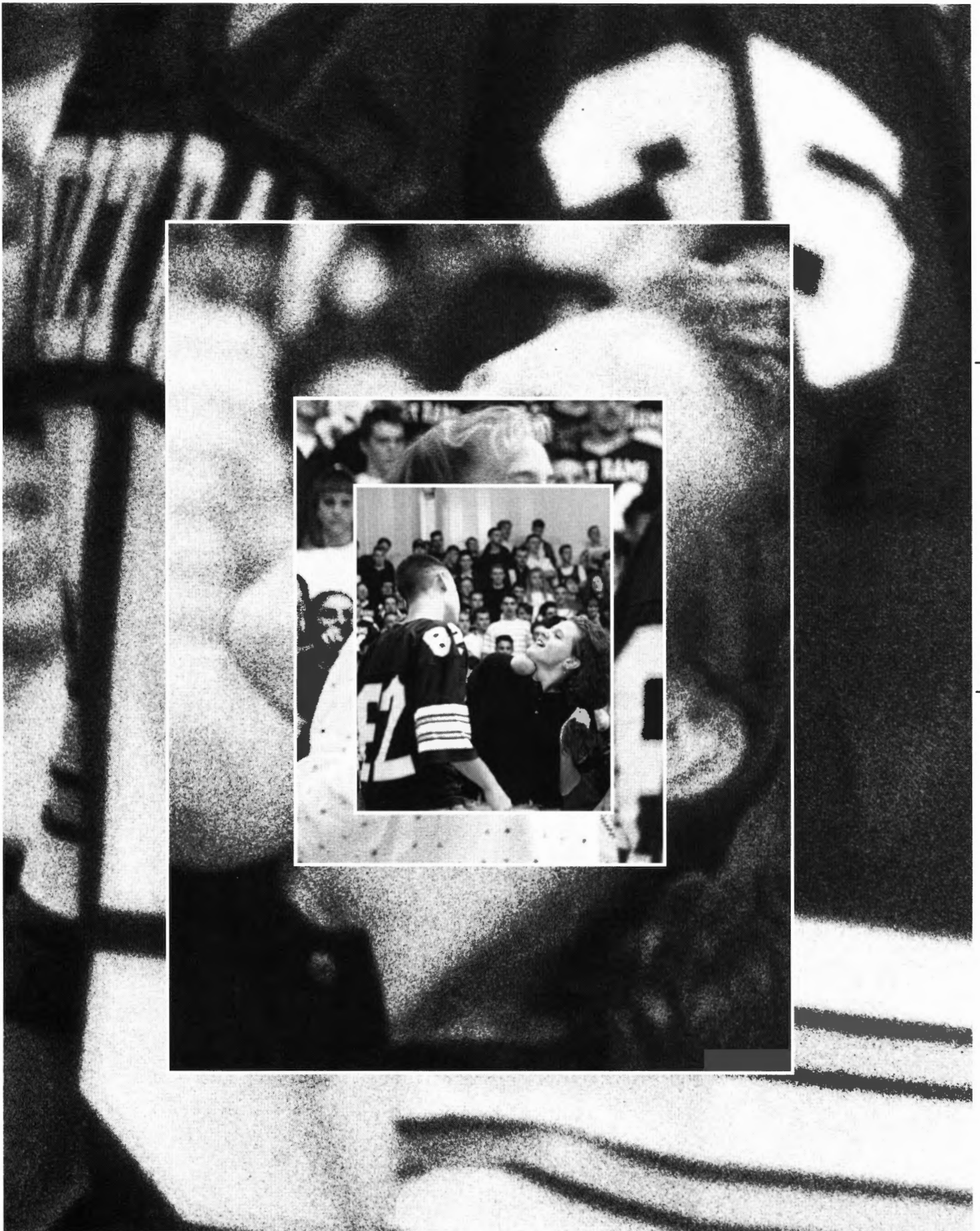
Having been greeted with mixed reviews, it was decided that the Advisory session would not be con-

tinued at the end of the year, but not before an all-school Field Day was held in June. A water balloon toss, three legged race, wheel barrel race and 50-yard dash kept the Advisory groups wired into a competitive afternoon of fun in the sun.

Though the year started out with some confu-

sion, staff and students resolved many issues as the year passed. Plugging in some patience and ingenuity yielded results.







**F**rom sunny southern horizons to the dreary skylines of the American northwest, students exhibited, at times, an uncensored look in their choice of clothing and jewelry. Some went so far as to pierce body parts that were not considered mainstream such as nose rings, tongue clips and naval rings. The Seattle grunge look in fashion mingled with the classic preppy look and the retro-hippie styles. There was no single "uniform," but a variety of threads that were in style. The fashion police had no power over the uncensored atmosphere, but the administration did. Clothing with banned images could either be worn turned inside out or students were sent home. ■ While students turned their clothes inside out, school spirit took a

## *Unplugged and Uncensored*

new twist. During Winter Spirit Week, students chipped in penny votes to see which member of the faculty would have the 'honor' of planting a kiss on a pig during the pep assembly. The student body went wild as 'winner' Peter Kressler kissed the pot belied porker. ■ Being a

good sport, he played within the rules. However, at the student-faculty basketball game he and Beth Berwald did not. The staff crushed the students thanks to their uncensored 'cheating' at refereeing and scorekeeping. What could have been a close, censored match, became an unruly, lawless game. ■ And, there were other rules that were challenged. Students tried to get an extended lunch period without success. The status quo prevailed as students used their 25 minute allotment to dash to a fast food restaurant of their choice, or scarf something down in the cafeteria. Their complaints were not censored as they gulped down their food on the run. The year brought many challenges to business as usual and students took their opportunities when they saw them to live an uncensored life.

### **Down The Line**

Participating in the orange pass during the Homecoming pep assembly are juniors Jason Buckner, Christy Baisel, Ryan Brookes and Cathy Baker. The juniors were uncensored in their enthusiasm, and placed second in the Spirit Week class competition.



## Junior Elegance

Dressed and ready to hit the town are Junior Court members Vanessa Spencer and John Ehnis. The two paraded around town showing off their school spirit and winning smiles. John reflected, "Being involved in Homecoming was so much fun. I never expected to be selected for court, but when I did I was excited."



## A Little Spirit Goes...

# A Long Way

The annual fall rite of passage, commonly known as Homecoming, started Monday, October 4 with Wake-Up and Go Day. Senior Michelle Cummings admitted, "It felt good to be able to get up, go to school and not worry about rushing around getting fixed up." Students went through the come-as-you-slept experience which they traded in on Tuesday for Brown and Gold Day.

Wednesday was the dream of every sophomore male ever to wear a Chicago White Sox jacket... Hat Day. Starters and fitted caps could finally be worn openly throughout the halls, right in the face of school security. The headwar was reluctantly traded in for Sunday best on Dress-Up Day. "Dressing up was my favorite because it was interesting to see the different kinds of clothes that everybody was wearing. It was also fun because, the better you look, the better you feel!" noted senior Pam Robedeau.

Theme Day overtook the school on Friday with everyone checking out the elaborate display seniors put together to win the hall contest. Juniors took second and the sophomores third along with a well-remembered lesson in hall decorating.

Once the halls were torn apart, the student body adjourned to the gym for the pep assembly. "The fact that there were no skits caused a concern for us, said Student Council President and eventual Homecoming King, Matt Cook. "We tried to get more energy into it with shouting contests and cheers, and I think we succeeded. Everyone was full of spirit. It was great."

When the parade hit town,

it was time to showcase floats. The class of '95 shone, taking highest honors for the second straight year. After the court finished their cross-village jaunt atop fancy cars and pep trucks, the sun set, staging the scene for the Homecoming game.

The Jackson Vikings, came in with conference title hopes against a Holt team that was struggling. The game was down to the wire, and filled with individual highlights that just couldn't be brought together in the end. Senior linebacker and Crown Prince, Mike Cook had 10 tackles before being knocked out cold after two and half quarters of play. Senior tailback Josh Hogarth took the ball 25 times for 128 yards and one touchdown, maintaining his position above all other conference running backs and continuing his push for the CAC rushing title. Junior Chad Fulk, playing musical quarterbacks with senior Monte Collins, hit junior tight end Jeff Schultz for Holt's other score midway through the third quarter. The game came down to two plays. Jackson took off with a 97 yard touchdown run. Then the Vikings pulled out their bag of tricks later in the game and scored on a fake punt. That was the difference in the game, as the Rams came up short, 19-13.

At halftime, senior Shannon Hoekwater was named Homecoming Queen while classmate Riki Robson earned the title of Princess. The lights went down on Troost Field closing out another tight Ram defeat and a week not soon to be forgotten. --Ed Murray



## Smiling Wide

Senior court members Riki Robson and John Walters greet the crowd in the October Homecoming Parade. Little did Riki know what the night had in store as she was later named Homecoming Princess during halftime festivities.



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## Crowning Moment

Taking their reign as Homecoming King and Queen at the half-time coronation are seniors Matt Cook and Shannon Hoekwater.



"I was chillin' on Brown and Gold Day. People were saying that I didn't have spirit, but I did. I had my gold silk shirt on and I'm already brown so I had tons of spirit!"

*Junior  
Darnell Powers  
Spanish Class*

## Decked Out

Striking a pose for parents and cameras are Senior Homecoming Court members John Walters, Riki Robson, Shannon Hoekwater, Mike Cook, Terrie Stearns, Matt Cook, Mary Mutty and Ryan Travis. The group posed in front of their Halloween theme float prior to parade time October 8.





## *Gays and Gals Night Out*

**H**ere they come! The girls were out to have some fun without their men, and they were looking forward to it. There were dozens of couples in the school and sometimes they needed to go out with just their friends. Junior Meriah Johnson explained, "I don't need a man to have fun. I'm always going out with my girlfriends and having a good time. Sure it's fun to go out with the guys, but that can't be the way it is all the time."

Having a girls' or guys' night out was even a must with some couples. Sophomore Krista Wilcox admitted, "I couldn't stand to be with my boyfriend all the time! I need a break from it all. If he was always around, there would be no way I could stay with him. We would be sick of each other...quick!"

For some, having a night out with the same sex friends meant a more relaxed atmosphere. "When you're out with a girl you have to be all proper, but when you're out with your buddies, you can do things like burp and be one of the guys. You can be yourself, act crazy and have fun," explained senior Shane Morehouse.

The arrival of springtime and the onslaught of new sophomore drivers started a new wave of freedom. Many kids were venturing out into the unknown crevices of Holt

and Lansing with or without their high school loves. Sometimes the evenings were coed. "I go out with my girlfriend a lot, but I do go out with the guys too. Most of the time we go out in a big group since we have a lot of the same friends. It works well," commented junior Brandon Kowalk.

Arranging a night out on the town without boyfriends or girlfriends, however, could be awkward. For those who managed, it was often a fun experience. Junior Paul Stewart noted, "When I first got my license, I went out with my friends all the time. I liked doing things with my girlfriend, but sometimes we just needed time apart to be with our own friends."

For others, the night out was a great form of escape. "When I go out with the guys, a lot of times we drive around, pop in a tape and sing to the songs," explained senior Damon Parker.

There were times when students needed to get away from it all and cut loose with the guys and gals. "You can't be with your boyfriend or girlfriend all the time, even if you want to. It doesn't work that way. You've got to get out and have fun with your friends," concluded junior Joy Bartholomew.

--Andrea Andrews  
and Katie Roessler

### *Santa Styling*

Stopping at the Santa model to pose their pearly whites are seniors Heather Smith and Jenny Vanlerberghe. Meridian Mall shopping for Christmas gifts or for something for themselves was always a fun time at the holiday season.



### *Putting*

# *Love On Hold*





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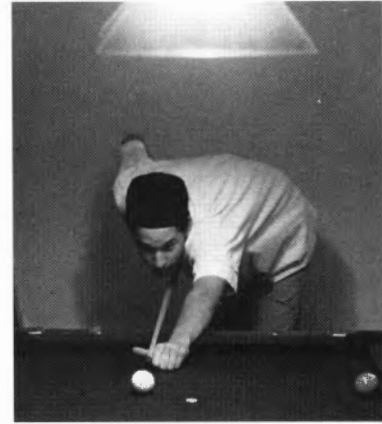
## Superior Spirit

Foreign exchange student Pedro Azi and junior Mike Rutherford display Pedro's school spirit on his shaven chest. The swim team was noted for enjoying time out with the guys.

## Quadruple Trouble

In Homecoming spirit are seniors Shannon Hoekwater, Jenna Eggert, Shandra Cochran and Amy Stevenson

on Twins' Day of Spirit Week. The friends also enjoyed an occasional girls' night out.



"The guys and I always play pool at Games People Play. It's good, cheap fun and we enjoy our time together."

--Junior  
Bob Keller

We sat at Meridian Mall and wasted time until it got dark.

There's nothing to do before dark except chill and talk with the guys."

--Junior  
Zach Wahl  
with Brian Walsh, Mike Looney, and Brian Gleason





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## Takin' Time Out

Camping at Sleeping Bear Dunes on Lake Michigan are seniors Jennie Vanlerberghe, Mandy Bowler, Heather Smith and Katie Roessler. They took the trip last summer just to get away

and have fun. "We had problems getting the fire started and even used lighter fluid on it. But we still had to get help from neighboring campers," revealed Katie.



"We took time to do some snorkeling while in Aca-pulco. It was a little scary at first. If you let yourself fall, you went way down and you could see the fish float by. When we came up for air, there were people in boats in the middle of nowhere trying to sell us stuff!

--Senior Kelly Larsen



## Jellystone Fun

Posing for the camera at Universal Studios in Orlando are Heather Stubig and Allison Warren. "We were goofing off in front of a miniature Hanna Barbara house while having a good time in Florida," stated Heather.





**F**resh air, cool breezes and unknown sounds lurking all around seemed to be half the fun of being outside. Whether it was camping, tubing or sailing, freedom was the biggest rush.

Late to bed early to rise became the pattern. "Missy, Kari and I were up one night until really late at Pleasant Lake. The next morning at about seven o'clock, Kari decided to go to the bathroom. She flung up the zipper of the tent so loud it woke both Missy and I up. We could have killed her, but it was still fun," recalled junior Jill Cory.

If sleeping wasn't a problem, then certainly weather could pose threats. "We once planned a week of fun at Interlochen State Park. When we got there, we were evacuated for most of a day because of tornados. When we arrived back at the campsite, we had to sweep all the water out of the tent only to be evacuated again," explained senior Jason Booker.

Then there was always the problem of getting lost. "One time camping, I was coming back from taking a shower and I accidentally went to someone else's tent. I was very embarrassed when I saw an unfamiliar face staring at me wondering who I was and what I was doing. I apologized quickly and got out of there as fast as I could," admitted senior Erin Quinn.

Besides camping, many students enjoyed going to their parents' cottage. With relatives along, however, problems arose. "I go up to my cottage

every summer and this past one was the best and the worst. My cousin and step-brother thought they would be funny and locked my step-sister and I in the outhouse for five minutes. It may not seem like a long time anywhere else, but in there, it felt like hours before they finally let us out. I thought I was going to die," recalled junior Lisa Ellis.

Camps and cottages often lured sailing enthusiasts. But if one couldn't navigate, it became very frustrating. "Three friends and I went to a sailing camp over summer vacation. I spent much time learning how to sail. When we got out on the water, we couldn't keep our boats afloat, and we were constantly falling in the water. But it was a lot of fun," junior Chantel Lovejoy revealed.

Another exhilarating way to spend a vacation, was tubing. Skipping across the water, flying in the air and coming up wet was the fun part of the adventure. "I went tubing with my cousin, Josh. We started on separate tubes but, my uncle was driving the boat so fast that my cousin flipped over. When I looked up, he was on my tube with me. He looked over and said, Hey, mind if I come along? It was so funny, I'll never forget it!" exclaimed junior Melissa Janes.

The great outdoors held many adventures and oftentimes, one had to be careful. But certainly when cabin fever hit, students followed the call of the wild and explored every trail.

--Kari Reynolds

When  
Cabin  
Fever  
Hits...  
Explore

# Every Trail

### Fun at Night

Joe Vartanian's yard gets a new look. Decking out trees after sunset was a favorite prank for many students determined to get some fresh air and have some fun.



### Kick Back

Stretching out in the wide open spaces are Joe Vartanian and a friend. Students sought the outdoors for fun and relaxation.



## Part Time Jobs

### Clean Sweep

Keeping busy at his part-time job at McDonald's, junior Brad White sweeps up one of the many messes of the day. Fortunately, one of the good parts about working at McDonald's was being able to work with other students from school.



For many students, part time jobs offered the ingredients for success. "I work at a video store. I like it because the money that I earn is my own, and that gives me the feeling that I don't have to be so dependant on my parents," explained sophomore Wanda Neuman.

Many students worked for the feeling of independence, while others were motivated to earn money for college. Senior Jessica Anderson explained, "I have to pay for everything when I go to Central Michigan University. I am going to live in a dorm so that will lessen the price a little, but with truck payments and tuition, it puts a restraint on my freedom." Senior Erin Quinn, who was associate of the month at T.J. Maxx, found herself in the same situation. "I needed a job so that I could save up for college expenses. I also think that having a job is important to gain experience working with people," she commented.

Most students did work for the money, but some just liked working for the fun of it. Senior Laurie Nugent revealed, "I work at Transcriptions Plus and it's really fun. I certainly don't mind getting paid, but I do have a good time at my job. It's really laid back." Senior Kim Lawrence felt the same about her job. "I work at Dawn Donuts. It is the best time! I

work with a lot of my friends and I could never get sick of donuts!" Senior Hilary Dahlgren also worked both for the money and the fun. "I work at Chuck E. Cheeses. I enjoy it because I get to dance around and have fun with the kids. At times it gets hectic, but I need to save money for after graduation," she stated.

Then there were students who didn't want jobs for a variety of reasons. Senior Kelly Larsen was one. "I don't want a job because I think it would take up too much of my time. Also my parents give me money when I need it, so I guess I don't really need to work right now." Junior Maureen Gregg felt it competed with her social life. She explained, "I have a job but I don't really want one. I hate it when my friends and I make big plans for the weekend and then I find out that I have to work."

And then there was the issue of priorities. Senior Katie Roessler reasoned, "I don't want a job during school because I would put my schoolwork and sports in front of that, and I wouldn't have time for all three." Though time management was an issue, the future looked bright for many students who believed that a part-time job was another rung on the ladder of success.

--**Kerrie Lehnert and  
Maureen Gregg**



# As If

# School Isn't Enough!



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## Job Jungle

Taking care of business is junior Chantel Lovejoy. A waitress at A&W, Chantel deals with an even longer day than the usual school hours in order to collect spending money. She com-

mented, "I like getting a chance to work with people my own age from school but sometimes dealing with the customers and fitting it all in makes for really long days."



"I've been working at Swensen's for over a year now. It's nice because I work with my boyfriend Matt Kelly, and we get to see each other all the time. I'm sick of scooping ice cream though! It gets all over

my arms and makes me feel sticky all day!"

--Senior Tricia Hannig



"I worked at A&W for about five months and had to quit because of track season. I'm also going to Australia for three weeks in an exchange program. My manager is really cool though and said he will hire me back when I return."

--Junior Christine Boersma



## Samurai Shortcook

Prepared to attack the next order, is senior Dustin Gould at his part-time job at A&W. His time is spent going to school by day, and frying burgers and emptying grease traps at night.



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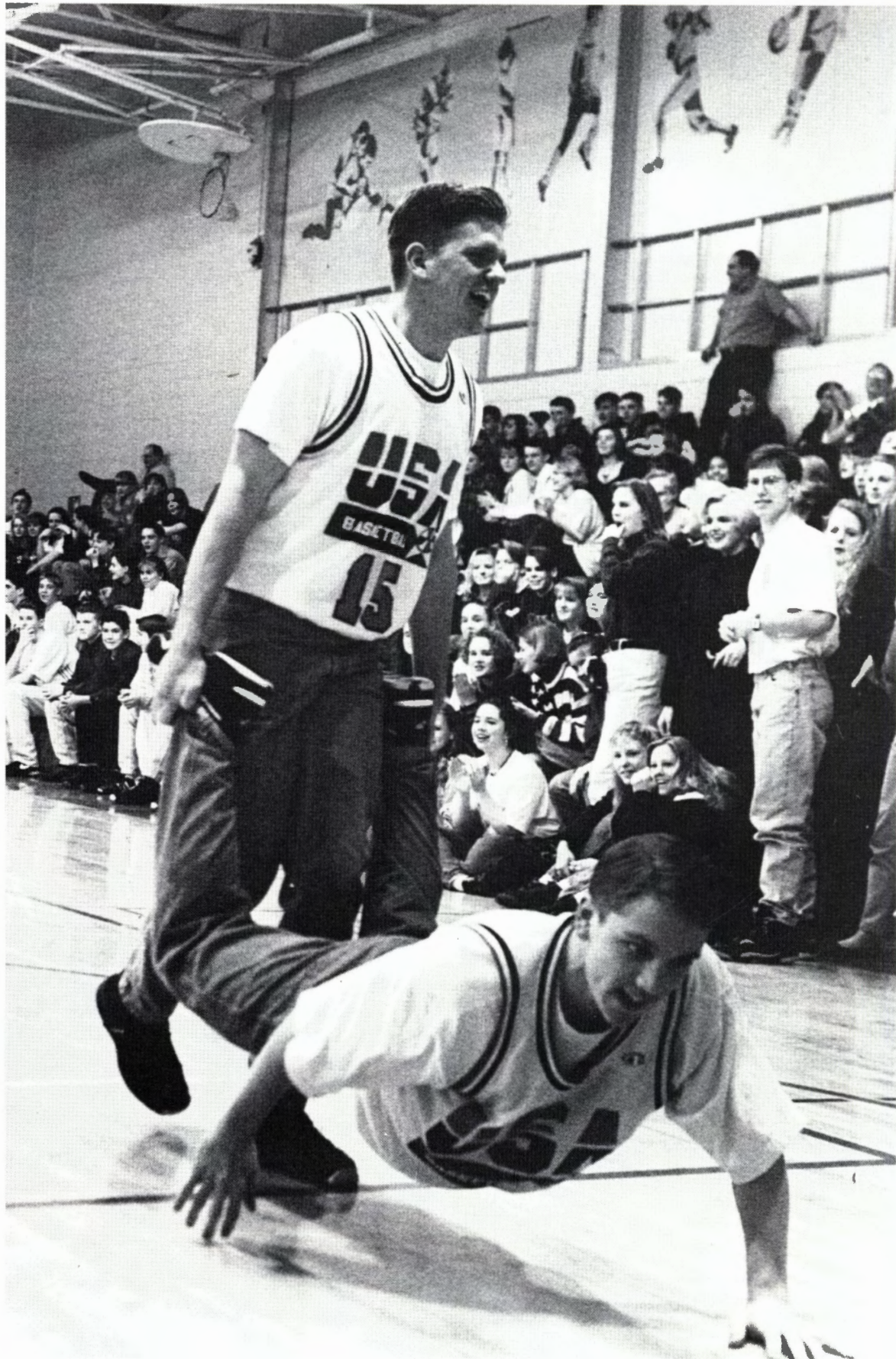
"Dressing up for Opposite Sex Day was strange. The hardest part was the high heels."

--Senior Ed Murray  
with Katie Roessler  
in Journalism class



"Sometimes you just have to have a little change."

--Sophomore  
Allison Larson  
with Karina Howe on  
Opposite Sex Day



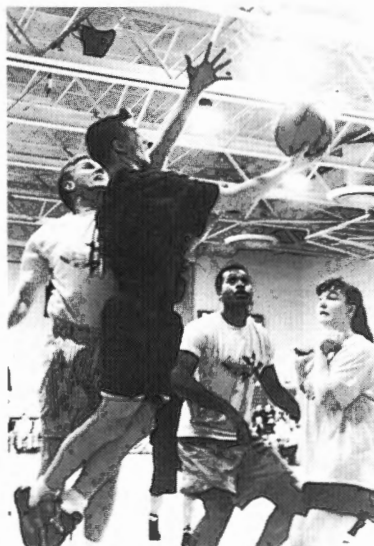


## Senior Spirit

Making their way across the gym in the wheelbarrow race are seniors Corey Baisel and Chad Anderson. The two took part in the class competitions at the Winter Spirit Week pep assembly.

## Tres Amigos

Caught posing for the camera on Opposite Sex Day are seniors Jenna Eggert, Brandy Spitz and Pete Kenyon. Pete commented, "I thought it was fun for one day, but I would hate to wear heels all the time."



## Challenge the Score

Opposing staff members Dan Ernst, Nelson Bond and Lori Buwalda at the faculty-student basketball game is sophomore Cory Mead. The faculty made off with the official victory at the Winter Spirit Week pep assembly, but the students knew the real score.

# Winter Spirit Week

**B**ack by popular demand, Winter Spirit Week was reinstated by the administration after Student Council took the initiative to sponsor the event from February 14 to the 17. It was a week of fun, joy, and friendly competition. One MSU student observing classes during the week asked, "Why are you all dressed so strangely?" The answer was school spirit on theme days. From boys running around in dresses, to teachers dashing from class to class in pajamas and slippers, all sorts of people were involved.

Of course, dressing up was far from the strangest thing that happened. Teacher Peter Kressler was caught kissing Wilson, a pot-bellied pig at the Thursday afternoon pep assembly. Even stranger than that was the faculty-student basketball game, in which security guard Claudia Baisel could not seem to remember which sport it was. The game got odder and odder, especially when it seemed that the teachers were winning. Fortunately, the official was replaced and the students were able to pull through a win, according to the real tally. The final score on the board was well in favor of the teachers, but the *real*

score, was in the range of 19 to 7 in favor of the students.

Student Council planned the week-long festivities. Senior Melissa Morehouse reported, "We started out with strange and different ideas, for dress-up days and then we voted on each of them." Some of the ideas that were eliminated were Weird Hair Day, Western Day, Cartoon Day, and Favorite Cereal Day. Some students were disappointed that a few of the themes were repeated from the Fall Spirit Week, but all the same, most students enjoyed it.

On Opposite Sex Day, there were a lot of girls running around dressed up as men, but there were only a few guys brave enough to dress up as women. Senior Peter Kenyon was one. He recalled, "I thought it was fun for a day, but I would hate to wear heels all the time."

In the past, there had only been one Spirit Week a year, but with having had such fun during Homecoming, how could students, not to mention staff, resist repeating it? Having Spirit Week twice a year proved to be twice the fun!

--Brian Hines  
and Karine Howe

## Twist His Arm

After helping friend Brian Hines dress up for Opposite Sex Day, he returned Karina Howe the favor by helping her pick out her outfit. Brian recalled, "I was forced into this but next year, I will do it again, and regret it again. The most interesting part of this day was how attitudes changed."



Taking a  
Chance on  
Acting  
Strange...

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## 'Unreasonable' Parents

**E**very teen has heard parents give the fatal line, "If you're going to live under my roof, you will do as I say!" And, they knew the routine. Some kids even knew how to play their parents just right to end up with exactly what they wanted. Others didn't get the results that they hoped for.

Some parents never understood that their children were growing up or trusted them. They insisted on following their every move and even had the guts and skills to check their whereabouts. At this point many students felt this to be unreasonable. Senior Andrea Andrews recalled one of her experiences. "I went out on a date with this guy, and we told my parents that we were going to the movies. Once we got there, we decided not to because the movie seemed really lame. So we decided to tell my parents that the movie was sold out. Otherwise, they would have freaked out and said something about me lying to them. I never thought that they wouldn't believe me and check. That's exactly what they did. My mom actually called the movie theater, and asked if the movie had been sold out on that day. Of course, they said no, and I got grounded for three weeks!"

Then there were parents who told children they could do something and then turned

around and changed their mind, or worse yet, forgot that they had even given them permission to do it. Junior Joy Bartholomew shared, "I had spent the night with a friend on Friday and we made plans to go out Saturday too. So I called my mom and asked if I could stay the night again. She said okay, and then, when I called her Sunday morning, she started yelling at me, saying that I didn't have permission stay overnight either Friday or Saturday. The whole thing was really twisted, and blown out of proportion. I ended up getting out of being grounded for two weeks on a technicality."

There were, however, rebellious types who wouldn't take parental "no" for an answer. Senior Dustin Gould revealed, "I was grounded and I wanted to go out, so I sneaked out of my house to go to the movies with my buddies. I have no idea how, but my mom located me at the Meridan Mall East theater watching *Mr. Destiny* with Ed Murray and Holly Beavers. She literally dragged me out of the theater and took me home."

Maybe there was no hope for some parents, but many teens struggled desperately to change their 'unreasonable' ways. They fought for their rights and sense of freedom. In the power play of teenage life many the best man win!

### *In Hot Water*

Doing dishwashing duty at A & W Restaurant is senior Dustin Gould. He explained one parental viewpoint he has run up against. "My parents expect 16 year olds to work. It's a mandatory thing around my house, like a no job... no car, type of thing."



*"If You're  
Going To  
Live*

*Under My Roof!"*

### *On Friendly Terms*

Sporting Bullwinkle and Woody Woodpecker hats and sharing a few laughs at a Universal Studios gift shop are seniors Allison Warren, Heather Stubig and their parents. Heather explained, "We have our occasional 'misunderstandings,' but most of the time, I get along with my parents pretty well."

Spending her lunch hour talking to her boyfriend is sophomore Estella Hernandez. Teens often can't get enough telephone time at home and take advantage of pay phones at school.





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"My parents don't help me with school work at home, so I turn to Mark for support. He has a very big heart and has always helped me with homework, whether it's in between classes or after school. He's great!" --Senior Hillary Dalhgren with senior Mark Wulff hitting the books.



"I get along with my parents pretty well because they give me a lot of freedom." --Junior Sarah Mann eating lunch at Subway with junior Dana Dillon.





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"I usually eat my two favorite foods, pizza or tacos, for lunch, but every once in awhile, I eat at the salad bar."

--Senior  
Chris Reynolds

"I eat in the cafeteria for lunch because I can get more food for my money and it tastes decent too."

--Sophomore  
Doug Birch  
with Chris Martin,  
Joe Manuel and  
Cherese Ford

## Healthy Switch

Deciding to have a salad for lunch instead of the usual pizza and burgers are seniors Chris Reynolds and Tristin McCarty. The salad bar was a popular choice for students counting fat grams.



## Pizza Party

Taking a break from the usual Advisory session for a pizza party are sophomore Corey Mead and seniors Ryan Travis, and Sam Caruss. Every student in Mrs. Bethel's group brought \$2 or a bottle of pop to finance the snack.







### *Chopstick Cuisine*

Serving up some Chinese food are seniors Heather Smith, Mandy Bowler and Jennie Vanlerberghe. "My friends and I enjoyed going out for dinner the night before a big basketball game. We liked the all-you-can-eat buffets and one of our favorites was the Chinese Family Buffet, recalled, Jennie.

## *Favorite Foods*

**I**t was 4:30 p.m. and Riki Lake had just finished settling a dispute between a psychotic man and his step-daughter. The munchies had taken over and it was a perfect time to calm the rumbling of the stomach. The student headed to the cupboard to grab some chips, and then on to the refrigerator for a pop? No! Second thoughts crept in. Although those were enjoyable, it was time for that most famous, self-inspired snack--the only one that could satisfy that terrible hunger pain.

The traditional cookies-n-milk days were slipping away. The new trend was homemade concoctions that only the inventor could love. They were foods that delighted their creator but sometimes nearly made the viewers sick. Such foods as peanut butter, mayo, and Tabasco sauce sandwiches topped the list. "I was starving one day after school and there wasn't anything to eat, so I decided to put something together. I tried steak sauce first, but realized that Tabasco sauce tasted much better," revealed senior Corey Baisel about his homemade treat.

At times though, the self-inspired snack came from two or more favorite foods that were frequently eaten at the same time, as separate dishes. Sophomore Marty Thompkins

explained, "I was eating ice cream and pickles suddenly sounded good to me so I went and got one. I took a bite of pickle then a bite of ice cream and they really tasted good, so pickles 'n' ice cream became a favorite of mine."

Some homemade concoctions sounded a bit out of the ordinary, but others actually made a lot of sense...well, maybe a little sense. Some inventions combined ingredients that actually complimented each other. This was true for junior Andrea Cook. "I hate soggy sandwiches! When I was little, I always had peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for lunch, along with a bag of Doritos. I would take a bite of sandwich and then have a few chips. I realized that since my sandwich was somewhat soggy and the chips were very crunchy, if I put them together they'd make the perfect duo."

There they were; beautifully thought up, self-inspired favorites; wonders that only the inventors could love, with a few exceptions. So, the next time students' stomachs grumbled and their choices were few, they took some of their favorite foods, put their minds to work and ate whatever kind of crazy snack they came up with.

--Becky Paterick

### *Lunch Lounging*

Fast consumption of french fries is not an unusual sight during the short lunch period. Seniors Tom Parry, Brian Mckouen and Chad Anderson are on a five minute rush deadline at McDonalds.



## *When the Munchies Hit... Students Find*

# *Something to Savor*



## Spring Break

**S**pring Break doesn't strike up as many pictorals of the Go-Go's and choreographed water-skiing as it used to, but to many people it meant freedom. Though small, it usually was a power-packed vacation. Many students tried to flee to warmer places during this week off. Some of the more popular spots included Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, Daytona Beach, Clearwater and Fort Meyers, Florida, Acapulco and Cancun, Mexico. Students often returned to compete in the look-at-me-and-my-Spring-Break-tan contest. But there *was* another breed. They were the people who couldn't afford the money or perhaps the time to run to sunny beaches on southern coasts or who simply didn't want to spend their vacation that way.

Economics teacher Guil Northrup had this alternative notion. Never greatly influenced by the world, he stayed within a close radius of home. He spent three days dragging relatives back and forth across the state. But that didn't slow him down. He still managed to get through four newspapers a day, catch "Grease" at the Fox Theatre (front row, center mezzanine--he gave it a one and half stars), put down some Weed and Feed in a 27/10/3 mix on his East Lansing properties, and still kept up with his four favorite coffee mixes (typical house, Mocha Java, Java Estates, and Kenyon AAA) at several cafes. "I also managed to squeeze in a small get-together with my three nieces at the River Park Terrace in Windsor," added Northrup. "Four stars on the vegetarian soup."

English teacher Bruce

Kutney was part of this trend as well. His vacation highlight was getting thrown out of the Turf Room at Michigan State University along with his men's baseball team. Here were grown men, professionals, getting thrown out. Restaurants owners, professors, teachers, administrators; one guy was even a priest---all booted. Mr. Kutney also managed to coach his son's floor hockey team to a 0-3 record at the Holt Invitational, and complete the roster for his 12 and under baseball team.

On the student side of things, senior Angie Roberts stayed at home to get more hours in at work. She put in a cool 40 and caught the Spartan Men's Baseball and Women's Softball games that Saturday.

Michele DeRose, famous for going to Windsor during every available vacation moment, happened, by chance, to go to Windsor to visit her best friend and family. After one week in wonderful shiny Ontario, she returned to find that a surprise birthday party lay in wait for her, organized by friend, John Ehnis. "It was the ideal vacation," commented Michelle. "The highlight was the birthday party, of course."

Laura Bonner happened to head south, but the trip was far short of beach seeking. She drove 275 miles with her mother to West Lafayette, Indiana to check out her college choice, Purdue. She also got together with Betsy Booren to color Easter eggs.

Betsy, it seemed, had a non-mainstream vacation as well. In fact, she did one better--she headed north. She and her family went to Traverse City and took along 20 or so care-



fully selected video tapes for family vacation viewing. Unfortunately, they had forgotten the VCR, but Betsy's dad didn't let this stop them. He bought a VCR once they got there. They later found that a VCR was provided where they were staying. The only consolation was that the VCR they bought was better than the provisional one. "It was family bonding at its best," commented Betsy.

While vacation always meant a certain type of freedom, it didn't always mean heading to the beach. There were enough stories around to prove that staying close to home could be as fun or exciting as going to the southern coasts.

### Alternative Fun

Staying close to home over Spring Break were Betsy Booren and Laura Bonner shown here with friends Kara Kragt and Jamie Rach in Consumer Economics class. Laura visited college choice, Purdue, while Betsy vacationed with her family in Traverse City.



### Another Breed of Vacationers Seek

## Alternative Sun



## Sun Lovers Paradise

Catching the rays in Acapulco are seniors Kelly Larsen, Mandy Bowler, Kellie Tepastte and Sarah Kratzer

while enjoying the company of some new-found friends. The Mexican scene was a favorite with students seeking fun on Spring Break

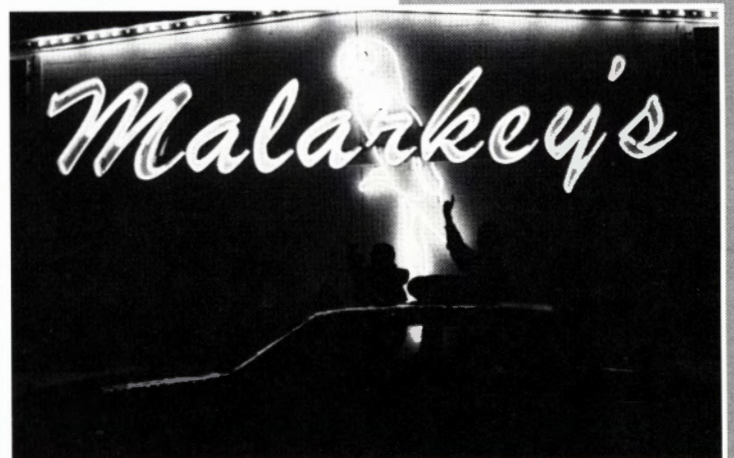
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"Going to Florida my junior year was the best. I knew more people and had the best time taking pictures of guys walking the beach." --*Kristen Anderson*



### A Bunch of Malarky?

Probably not. Seniors Ed Murray, Jon Sonnenberg, and Dustin Gould didn't think so. On a spontaneous journey dreamed up in fifth hour Journalism, the trio reached the Sears Tower that evening. "The attempt was a success and perhaps fulfilled the promptings of young restlessness." --*Senior Dustin Gould with Ed and Jon at Malarky's in Chicago*



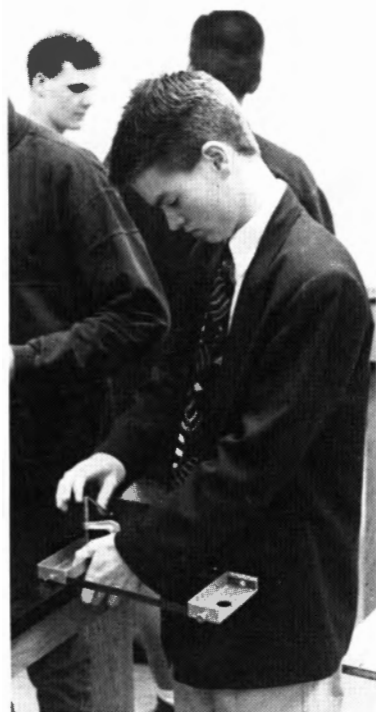
### Limbo Rock

Seeing 'how low she can go' is Heather Stubig in a limbo contest in Kissimmee, Florida on Spring Break. "Out of about 25 people, I won. Afterwards, I was given a free pop for being a wonderful Limbo Queen."



## Senior Fashion

Showing school spirit on Dress Up Day by sporting a formal look is senior Matt Stacey in Mr. Rudd's Physics class. Students enjoyed dressing up occasionally and expressing a different fashion mood.



Making  
Heads  
Turn...

The Image Is Yours

Trendy fashions of the '90's were often recycled from the '60's and '70's, including flower power granny gowns, flannels, baggy comfort, bell bottoms, platform shoes, and love beads. There was nothing new here, but the fashion gurus said it was hot.

The 'grunge' look which finally found its way from Seattle to Holt was also popular. It consisted of the layering of plaid flannels, oversized shirts, vests, corduroy, and of course, a pair of combat boots. Not only did it make a fashion statement, but it was comfortable. Senior Michelle Cummings commented, "Fashion is a lot more casual and comfortable now. People still follow trends, but are a bit more individualistic in their style." Senior Brian McKouen agreed, "The bottom line is, you wear what you feel comfortable in."

The need to be stylish, however, was more compelling for some than the desire to be comfortable. This was the case with hip hugger bell bottoms and platform shoes. Senior Kristen Duncan observed, "Hip hugger bells are back! I really like them, although a lot of people think they're ugly. They're not exactly comfy though." There were, however, some protesters. "I think all the hippy stuff is very untrendy. I would never be caught dead in it," remarked senior Jack Furrow.

For many, the 'perennial

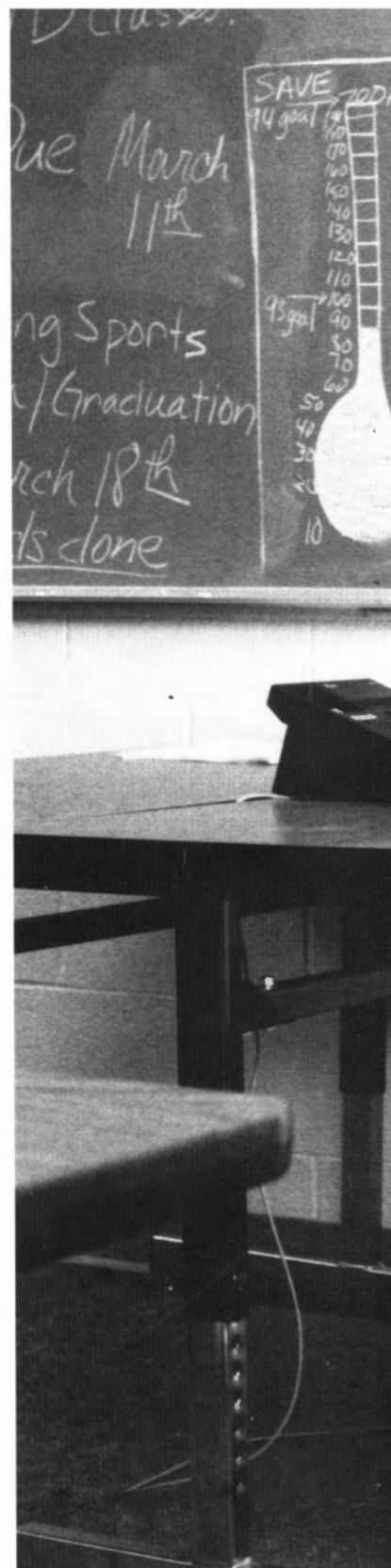
## Fashion Trends

preppy' look remained popular. Button down collars, polo shirts and loafers proved it. Senior Katie Roessler said, "I dress preppy because I'm not the type to wait for the latest Parisian fashion to come in before I go shopping or look for my next outfit in Vogue. Preppy is very consistent which means I don't have to buy a new wardrobe every month to keep up with the changing fads." Senior Matt Kelly agreed, "I like to dress comfortably but not outrageous. I also don't like having to go shopping everyday to buy the new fads. I guess some people call this preppy."

To a lot of students, starter jackets and jeans sagged down to their knees was fashionable. This style was considered 'hardcore.' Junior Gus Dahlgren remarked, "Just because I dress like this, doesn't mean I'm a 'wannabe.' I dress this way for the comfort." Sophomore Rhonda Kirby agreed, "Baggy is comfortable to me. I'm basically open to any style, but I think this looks best on me. I don't like the attitude that is portrayed by the clothing though. People think we try to act hard by dressing like this, but we don't."

Some students followed the trends, some didn't and some just wanted to express themselves. At any rate, the trends were often here today and gone tomorrow, only to return years later.

--Maureen Gregg



## Unique Look

Selling ads in Ms. Paul's fifth hour Advanced Publications class is junior Rheanna Abbott. Wearing a fashionable look, she commented, "I like to dress different because I like expressing my individuality. Other people's opinions don't matter to me when it comes to my style."



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"As far as fashion goes, sometimes I like to be different and other times I like to go with the flow."

--Sophomore  
Jay Gamet



"I like to dress out of the ordinary once in a while, just to make people think."

--Sophomore  
Corina Rick  
who moved to Holt  
from Sutton's Bay in  
January.



"Today, you can wear whatever you want and it's acceptable."

--Junior Allison Wood

## Junior Look Alikes

Striking a fashion keynote are juniors Allison, Wood, Andrea Cook, Trystin Kleiman, and Amanda Schram. "We wanted to take photos so we could remember each other when we were older. We shot five rolls of film in five different outfits, but we dressed alike for this one," explained Andrea.





## TV Shows

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hey put off homework, rearranged schedules and delayed all phone calls for these moments. They relaxed in their favorite recliners, kicked off their shoes and soon forgot the stress of the long school day. With the remote control in one hand and a bowl of popcorn in the other, students anxiously awaited the start of their favorite TV show. Suddenly, the theme music started . . . "In West Philadelphia, born and raised . . ."

Students would do just about anything to catch their favorite shows. Responsibilities took a back seat and homework became a distant memory for some. "I'll even put off Larner's math homework just so I can watch the Simpsons," commented sophomore Brenden Hill. "I tape my favorite shows so I don't miss them, or I'll just change all my plans and stay at home," explained sophomore Brooke Rials.

Some students were fanatics taking it to the extreme. "I was grounded for a month and one of my four punishments was that I couldn't watch *Melrose Place*," related senior April Reinke. "I thought that was by far the cruelest punishment. I would do just about anything to see that show. I would even send for the transcripts so at least I'd know what they said," she confided.

Given a choice between watching shows with spine-

chilling drama or side splitting humor, most students preferred the comedies. *Seinfeld*, *Home Improvement*, *Martin*, and *Beavis and Butt-Head* ranked among the most popular. But, the humor that made some roll with laughter also turned quite a few off. "Beavis and Butt-Head is the most vulgar show," exclaimed junior Becky Paterick. "It drives me insane! I don't know what's so funny about two guys who say stupid things and then snort at them."

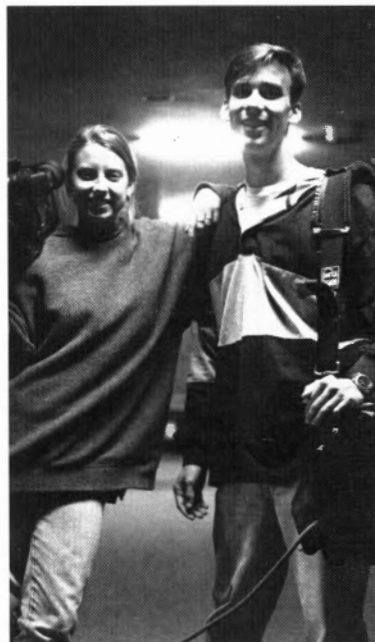
While some favored silly humor, most preferred comedies that mimicked real life. "I love *Seinfeld* because it speaks the truth about things that people are afraid to laugh at," stated Brenden Hill. "To be honest, I don't have time to watch TV that much," commented junior Dave Pratt. "But one show I always make time for is *The Fresh Prince*. It's perfect because it's on a Monday so it cheers me up on the most depressing day of the week."

It was over so soon. As the commercials came on, students waited for previews about next week's show. Will Brenda and Dylan make-up? Was it Kelly? Who betrayed who? What will happen next week? The suspense was already mounting. "Oh well," lamented students as they turned back to real life. Same place, same time, same show, next week.

--Andrea Cook

## Lights, Camera... Action

MSU students Brent Hunter and Susie Dahl take a break and pose for the other end of the camera. Brent and Susie spent hours taping Homecoming memories, then edited and produced a 25 minute video tape which could be bought by students.



## Video Editor

Working with the video toaster machine in the popular Mass Media class, is full of frustrations and rewards for senior Matt Landfair. Matt mastered the complex machine to help produce assigned videos and assists classmates Dave Kost and John Haidamous.

## Tuned In

Cranking up the volume on a video featuring Student Council is junior Jeri Hofbauer. Jeri was one of the many volunteers at the Education Fair who helped to demonstrate some of the high school student activities.



Good,  
Bad and  
Just  
Plain Ridiculous



## Sleepin' In

While senior Catie Rashid struggles to keep awake, senior friends Kendra Hoffman and Riki Robson smile for the camera in their cartoon character PJ's. Get-Up-and-Go Day during Spirit

Week was a favorite among students along with TV shows. "My favorites are 90210 and Melrose Place because my friends and I are like the 90210 of Holt High School," revealed Kendra.

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## Favorite TV Shows

22%	<i>Beavis and Butt-Head</i>
18%	<i>Martin</i>
14%	<i>Seinfeld</i>
14%	<i>Home Improvement</i>
10%	<i>Melrose Place</i>
8%	<i>Fall House</i>
14%	<i>Other</i>

"TV shows are directed a lot toward teens. They show how life could be instead of how it really is. It makes you feel that you have to look and act like that."

--Junior Dave Pratt

"I sit down every Wednesday with a bowl of ice cream and watch 90210 and Melrose Place. I think it's pretty realistic and funny."

--Senior Corey Baisel

"Dukes of Hazard has to be my favorite show. I think about it almost every day. I used to love how they crawled in and out of their cars. I stopped watching it when they brought in the replacements."

--Junior Matt Stauffer





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Some people told me I wouldn't like Prom, but I absolutely loved it. I had so much fun. Next year I'll definitely be there!"

*--Junior Mindy Lowry with Jessica McDonald and Heather Schaffer on the dance floor of the MSU Kellogg Center during Prom.*



"The night was full of wonderful events. I had a great time and can't wait until next year."

*Sophomore Andy Davis slow dancing with junior Raquel Gonzales at Prom.*



## Slow Dancing

Holding each other tight, junior Kelly Skidmore and sophomore David Stadley dance a slow one at Prom, Sunday evening, May 29.

"I was really doubting Prom at first. I had fun, but I expected more. It seemed too short. I ended up crying in the bathroom because my boyfriend wouldn't dance with me anymore, but we made up afterward,"

*Junior Kelly Skidmore*





## Junior-Senior Prom

*Here We Go...*

Escorted into the Kellogg Center on Prom night by her date, Chris Shaddick, is senior Amy Sullivan, while seniors Dave Kost, Craig Curtin and Joe Schutte take the relaxed approach in formal wear. They opted for baseball hats and shorts instead of the traditional tux.

**I**t brought excitement to most everyone who attended. It was held at the Kellogg Center on the MSU campus on Sunday, May 29 from 9:00 to 12:00 p.m. It was Prom, and to many students, it was considered the most glamorous night of the year.

Students started planning for it months in advance. For the ladies, dresses were bought, then nail and hair appointments were made. The guys were busy finding the perfect tuxedo, renting limos and making dinner reservations. Some of the students had dates, but a number went with a large group of friends. Junior Jenny Eaton stated, "My boyfriend didn't want to go to Prom with me, so I just went with my friends. We still had a lot of fun, even without dates."

Not only did students look forward to the dance, some also looked forward to the elegant dinner beforehand. "I think one of the best parts of the Prom evening was getting all dressed up and going to a fancy restaurant with my boyfriend," commented junior Vanessa Spencer. Junior Trystin Klieman recalled, "My boyfriend was an hour late picking me up, but we still made it to dinner on time. The delay didn't ruin our dinner; it was still very romantic."

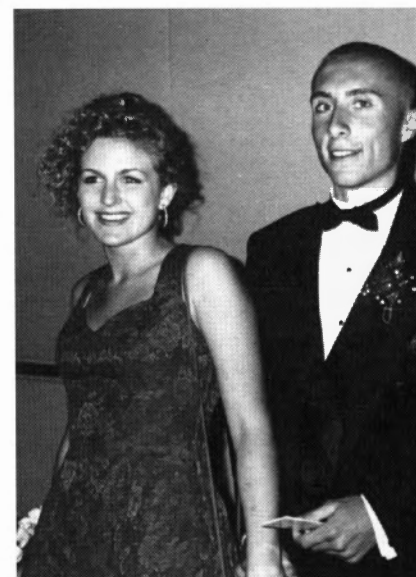
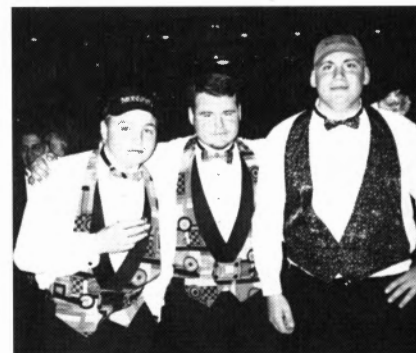
The Kellogg Center was decorated in the Senior Class colors of silver and black. There were glasses filled with black jellybeans on each table for a memento. The dance floor was filled the entire night with stu-

dents. Senior Mike Crawford, complained, "The only thing I didn't like about Prom was the huge blisters I got on my feet from uncomfortable dress shoes."

For most, the evening lived up to their expectations. Senior Amy Decker stated, "Prom was so awesome this year! It was the best night of my life. I think since it was my senior year, it made a big difference. Trystin Kleimen added, "The Kellogg Center looked great. It was a good place to have it. Everyone looked nice and had a good time."

Following Prom, many students went to the Afterglow which was held at the Michigan Athletic Club from 1:00 to 3:00 a.m. Encouraged as a fun, safe after-prom party, there were a number of activities planned. Senior Serena Johnson remembered, "The casino was the best part. I like to gamble so it was pretty cool. The Karaoke was fun too." Besides the casino, there was swimming, volleyball, tennis and other games.

Celebrating didn't end with prom though. The day after was another big event for many. Senior Kyle McDowell recalled, "I went to South Haven with my girlfriend and some friends to soak up some sun. We had a good time, but by the end of the day, we were very tired." Many other students needed a rest after the long Memorial Day weekend. Besides, they had school the next day. But they came back armed with photos to reminisce about the elegant evening. --Maureen Gregg



*Best Foot Forward...*

# Putting on the Ritz



## Free Time

Taking a break from the regular school schedule in Advisory session are seniors John Larie and Vanessa Berry. They enjoyed looking at yearbooks in the Publications room where Del Cory's group met. Advisory was held on Wednesday afternoons for 25 minutes.



## Middle School Flash Back...

# Return of Field Day

Students relived the ultimate rush of Field Day on Wednesday, May 18, 1994. Events ranged from the water balloon toss to the tug of war, a far cry from the events that many students so fiercely competed in during sixth grade. At times this perceivably slow paced day turned slightly ferocious.

The sun was blazing and the heat rising both on and off the field. Advisory groups were rivaling, and they were going for blood. The question of who could outrun their three-legged counterparts or who could guzzle a 20-ounce bottle of Mountain Dew the quickest needed to be answered. As it turned out, Sandy Bethel's Advisory placed third, Lowell Rudd's took second, and Heather Neiswonger's group took the title, beating out all other competitors.

It probably came as no surprise to most students that Joe Schutte won the water guzzling contest or that Gregg Hayslette instigated a water balloon fight. And despite some complaints about Field Day, students kept their spirits up and actually had fun. In fact, many students commented that Field Day should become an annual event.

Ms. Neiswonger, one of the principal organizers of the event commented, "I was very proud of my Advisory group who had been planning Field

Day since Christmas. They put a lot of work into it and the event turned out a success."

Some students enjoyed the trip down memory lane, such as senior Mark Wulff. He exclaimed, "It was really great! It sure beat going to class." On the other hand, junior Vanessa Spencer complained, "It was boring. If I wanted to go back to sixth grade, I'd find another way to do it." Taking more of a middle of the road reaction was senior Heather Miner who concluded, "Though I was not a fan of Advisory, Field Day did prove to be interesting."

The reaction was indicative of the two-sided response to the 25 minute session held on Wednesday afternoons. Advisory drew yeas and nays from students and staff alike. Designed to be a time for working on state-mandated portfolios and discussion of school issues, the session brought mixed reviews. Field Day marked the conclusion of Advisory for the year and was received positively by most students. Bringing teams together in a little friendly competition promoted school spirit and a respite from end-of-year boredom. Whether students participated in the events of the day or sat on the bleachers and cheered, most enjoyed the sunshine, comradery, and best of all, the break from afternoon classes.

--Riki Robson

## Advisory

## School Issues

Attending an Advisory Council meeting for their group are Mike Champion and Nathan Stott. The Council was held during the regular Advisory session to communicate about what each group had been doing.

## Take the Tumble

Stretched out in the three-legged race is senior Tom Holbrook on Field Day. Student Advisory teams competed in field events to mark the end of the session for the year.



## Sunny Scramble

Competing in the wheel barrow race on Field Day are Shane Goddard and Brian Wright.

## In the Heat

Competing in the three-legged race for their Advisory groups are seniors Kelly Russell and Lara Feala.





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"Field Day was my last chance to show my school spirit. It was a lot of fun for me because we won the tug-of-war which put us in first place!"

--Senior Heather Miner



"Both Jamie and I were skeptical of Field Day at first. We were locker partners, and we'd always joke about what it was going to be like. But when the time actually came, I think we both had fun. Jamie made up a chant for our group and we got into it more than we thought we would."

--Junior Jada Bowden with Jamie Roy on Field Day.

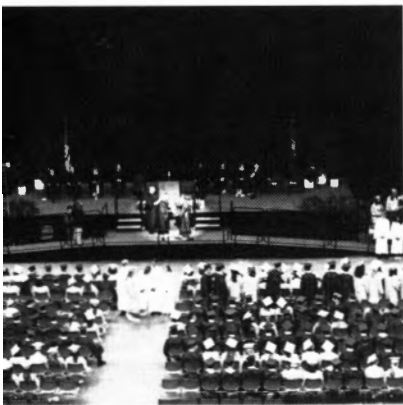




## Commencement

### *The Gang's All Here*

Watching their classmates receive their diplomas from School Board members during Commencement is the Class of '94 at the Breslin Center. After the event, long-time couple Rob Hernandez and April Gober congratulate each other and their friends.



**T**wo hundred and seventy-nine seniors went their separate ways on Sunday, June 5. Though a time of celebration and joy for the graduates, Commencement had a sad air about it. Yet this mood did not stop the graduates from loving every minute. President of the Board of Education, Alton Granger, called the Class of '94, "the class of achievement." The seniors had seen many changes together. From PDS on Wednesdays to a new wing being added to the deaths of two of their classmates, they met and faced these challenges together.

The ceremony at the Breslin Center which started at 4:30 p.m. was preceded by the Baccalaureate service at the High School auditorium at 1:30. Speaking for her class at the Breslin Center, Serena Johnson called the occasion, "One of the best days of our life, and one of the hardest as well. Graduates would go out into the world to achieve the destiny they have chosen, and most would do it without the friendships that have grown over the 12 years of school."

These friendships were evident as the seniors walked forward with chosen partners to receive their diplomas. Graduate Colleen Jennings noted, "Brandon Oaks and I walked together and enjoyed clapping and yelling for everyone. It was the last time we would see everyone in the same place."

This was not to say that there weren't any hitches as Dustin Gould recalled, "I liked having a chance to look at the people in my class, one by one, for the last time as they received their diplomas. My heart kind of jumped when I wound up in line myself and realized that I had forgotten my name card back at my seat. I had to work something out quickly with Jennie Vanlerberghe as Ed Murray was walking across. So she read my name from an invisible card. Thus, the crisis was narrowly averted."

After all the seniors had passed the podium and thrown up their hats, came the class video set to the music, "It's the End of the World as We Know It, and I Feel Fine!" From seniors snoring in class to Tad Feland bouncing through the courtyard doing a Dracula imitation, the video had seniors at their best and worst. The class watched, laughed and cried as they saw their friends on the big screen.

The faculty speakers for graduation were Bill Savage and Jean Mooney. Mr. Savage reported he was truly honored that he had been selected to speak. So honored in fact that he agreed to fulfill his promise to "give free rides in the convertible, lower candy prices to just 35 cents, but pens stay at a quarter;" a nostalgic speech for any graduating senior closing the doors on Holt High School.

--Brian Hines



*Cutting  
Loose...*

*Time For Life*

*This Is It*

The day has arrived. Prior to Commencement, Top Ten graduate and National Honor Society member, Kelly Bush, gets a little help from her mom to get ready.



## Final LineUp

Getting ready to file into the High School auditorium for the Baccalaureate service are graduates Shanda

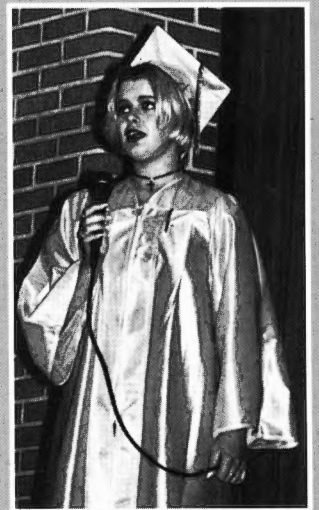
Cochran, Angie Roberts, Kristin Duncan, Heather Miner, Julie Corr, Kendra Hoffman, and Hilary Dahlgren.

## Uncensored



"Brandon Oaks and I walked together at graduation and enjoyed clapping and yelling for everyone. It was the last time we would see everyone in the same place."

--Senior Colleen Jennings



### Stealing the Show

Singing at the Baccalaureate service for her classmates is senior Shanda Cochran.

Graduation was "one of the best days and one of the hardest as well."

--Senior Serena Johnson

"Commencement was a bit disappointing. I'm not sure what I expected, but I was standing outside the Breslin Center wondering, 'Wha? Is that it?'"

--Senior Ed Murray



### Dual Force

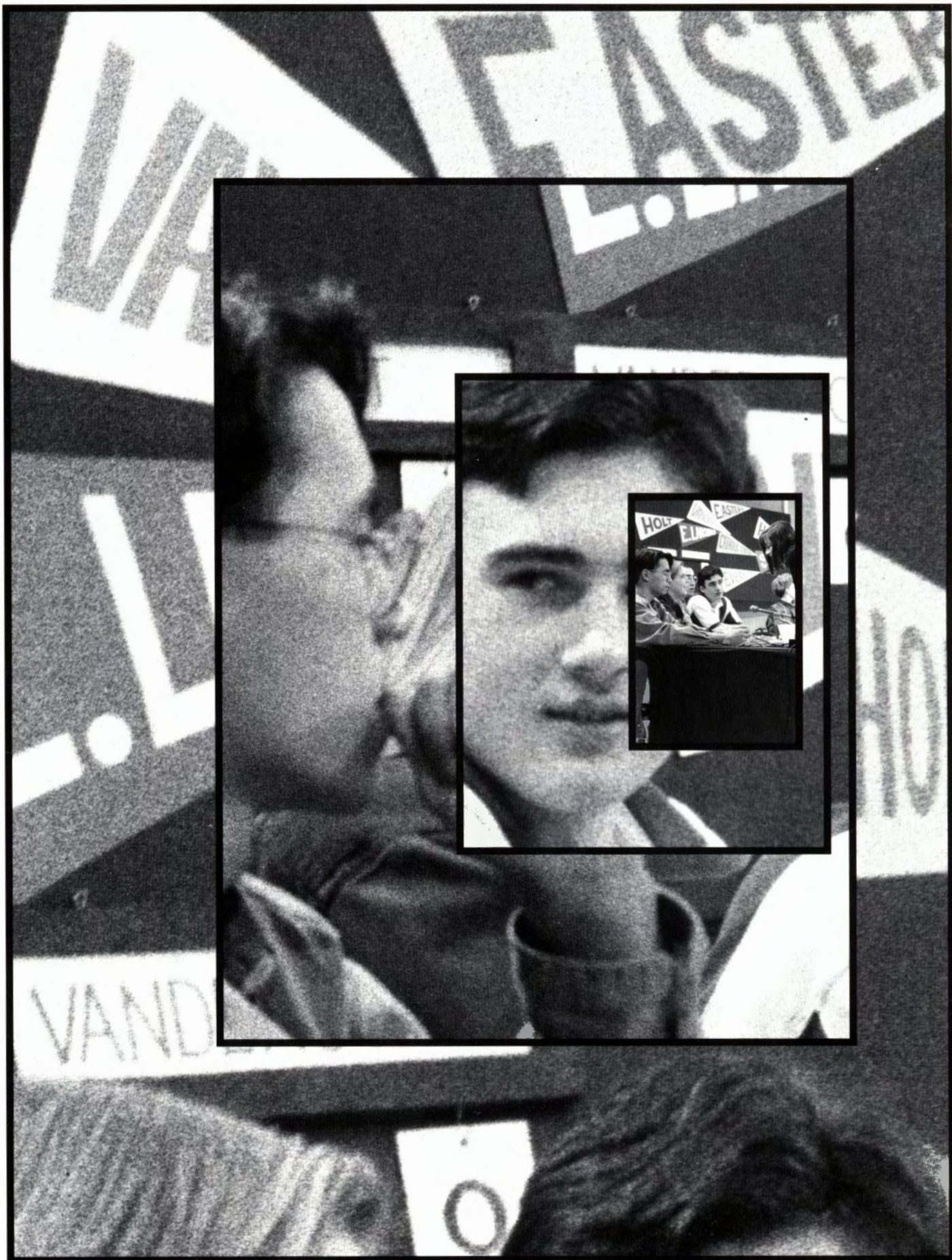
Noted for their voices are seniors Shannon Hoekwater and Jenna Eggert. The two sang, "Pray for Me," a Michael W. Smith number at Baccalaureate for their classmates and the community.



### Addressing the Class

Giving one of the student speeches at Commencement is senior Serena Johnson. Other students who spoke were Matt Cook and Betsy Booren.







**A**fter receiving their school calendars, students plugged extra-curricular activities into their schedules. Some were simply looking for relief from boredom, while others were seeking total involvement. Likewise, some clubs kept activities on the mild side and others were wired. ■ Continuing tradition, the Science Olympiad team placed first at Regionals for the tenth year in a row and third at States. National Honor Society got on track with the establishment of new guidelines for acceptance. All inductees were required to have a 3.25 grade point average and complete 15 hours of community service work. They conducted the Blood

Drive which yielded 131 units of blood, the highest in the area. After being cancelled last year, NHS officers were happy to see such a big turn out. ■ Making their debut was the club, Alliance. Advised by Social Studies teacher Bill Savage, the group worked on promoting A.I.D.S. awareness. Mem-

# *Plugged In*

bers held a walk-a-thon with half of the funds raised going to the school group and half to the Lansing Area A.I.D.S. Network. ■ Student Council wiped away the mid-winter blues with the addition of Winterfest which featured a heated battle of basketball between students and teachers. The Pom Pon squad kept fans entertained at football and basketball game halftimes while the pursuers of trivia and fun gathered in Quiz Bowl. Students looking for fun and commitment plugged into a variety of clubs and competitive teams for their involvement.

## **Plugging in Answers**

Telling team members Ed Murray, Kelly Bush, Ali Beha and Jeff Jewett not to let up because they were beating Vandercook Lake 235-0, is Coach Mary Gray at the halftime of a Capital Area Invitational Quiz Bowl meet. Senior Ed Murray revealed the motivation for his involvement. "I have a penchant for spewing useless facts off the top of my head. Besides, it can be fun at times."



## Science Olympiad

# In Gear

Dedication and hard work brought the Science Olympiad team to yet another first place in Regional competition at Lansing Community College on March 19. The win led the team to State competition at Michigan State University on April 23. Placing third in the state qualified the team as an alternate in the National Competition. Overall, team spirit and dedication were the keys to a winning season.

"Being in Science Olympiad has greatly influenced my career choice. Learning about life and organisms, has intrigued me and helped me to decide that I should study this for the rest of my life. I want to major in Biology so that I can seek new knowledge about life and the world around us."

**--Senior Melissa Iott**

"The most rewarding part of Science Olympiad was probably seeing the team really come together. This usually doesn't happen until a few weeks before competition, but when it does, the difference is quite noticeable.

At the beginning of the year, everyone sort of went off and worked by themselves. While the word "teamwork" was mentioned frequently, we functioned separately. When the change finally happened, we all began helping each other instead of just ourselves. 'Team work' actually meant something. Going into competition as a team instead of individual units was what helped us win."

**--Senior Kara Kragt**

"Coaching Science Olympiad was rewarding to me because it was fun to work with students who were excited about science. I also had a chance to learn a lot from the students."

**--Coach Heather Neiswonger**

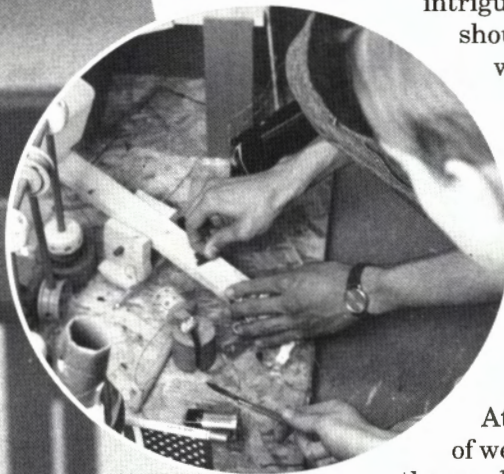
**--Kathleen Jennings**

### *Another good use for hot air*

Expelling carbon dioxide in an experiment for Dave Foy's fourth hour chemistry class was senior Brandon Oaks as classmate Kara Kragt assisted. Both Brandon and Kara received first places in events at Science Olympiad Regionals.

### *Mind in motion*

Intricate parts compose the Mission Possible event that Jeff Jewett and Paul Derosé work on before Regionals. (Inset)







### *Gearing up*

Tickling the time away in Mr. Burgess's classroom during Science Olympiad practice was sophomore Marshall Savage. The purpose of the "Tick Tock" competition was to create a clock which was accurate up to one tenth of a second.

### *Quality control*

Demonstrating a portion of the "Quality Analysis" event in the new chemistry storage room is senior Kelly Bush and junior Ray Shock. The quality analysis team took second in State competition at MSU on April 23.



### *Driving force*

Doing a little bit of mentoring, is Science Olympiad Coach Barbara Neureither during an after-school team practice. Observing is Mr. Hildebrandt from MSU.

### *Simply complicated*

Working on the "Mission Possible" device are sophomores Jeff Jewett and Paul DeRose during practice. "It's like a Rube Goldberg device which makes a simple task difficult," explained Jeff and Paul.





*Okay junior pommers!*

Waiting to perform, at a Varsity Basketball game are Asia Cribbis and Jenny Palmer with junior pommers. The younger girls attended a Pom Pon workshop and performed with the squad as a finale.

*In the groove*

During the Winterfest pep assembly, the Pom Pon squad, lead by Laura Nunheimer performed a routine for their classmates. Although the assembly was just for spirit and entertainment the squad practiced several hours to perfect the routine.



*Pom Pon Squad:* Bottom Row: S. Brockwell, M. Ranke, M. Holden, K. Kelly  
Top Row: L. Nunheimer, D. Arnold, J. Rach, J. Palmer, C. Butterfield, A. Cribbis, A. Watson, T. Perry, Coach C. Eastman



*High steppin'*

Performing a chorus line kick during halftime of a home basketball game against Waverly are Jamie Rach, Tera Perry, Jenny Palmer, Carrie Butterfield, and Alicia Watson. The pom pon squad was at each home game at the Junior High to provide halftime entertainment.



## *Pom Pon*

# *In Step*

With unity on their side, the Pom Pon squad had a bonding season. The experience of being a group and performing together helped produce friendship. Most teams start off with some members as friends, but when the whole squad becomes friends, the girls concluded, something was going well.

Throughout the basketball and football seasons there were a lot of routines to be learned and money to be raised for new uniforms and camp. Candy sales and car washes were the squad's main sources of income. Besides practices, performances, and fundraising, several members also went to the Mid-American Pom Pon State-wide Championships.

"I liked having my best friend on the squad and meeting new people. I also enjoyed working with the band to support the school."

**--Junior Tera Perry**

"I remember at camp when I was in the middle of the kick line, I fell flat on my rear. Even though we got first place, I was still embarrassed. A girl I had become friends with from a different squad told me, 'It's okay. I barely saw a thing.' That made me smile."

**--Senior Mindy Holden**

The best thing about being on the squad is that you make a lot of new friends, and become really close to all of the girls."

**--Sophomore Sarah Brockwell**

"The highlight of the season for me was probably States and Regionals. It showed me that if we work together as a team, we will perform well as a team."

**--Sophomore Diana Arnold**

"The season went well. Learning a routine in two hours was difficult, but once we got on the floor we didn't worry so much about messing up. We just wanted to have fun."

**--Sophomore Jeni Palmer**

**--Kari Reynolds**

### *Long look*

Caught by the lens is senior Jamie Rach waiting at the sidelines before a Varsity Basketball halftime performance. (Inset photo)

### *In the line up*

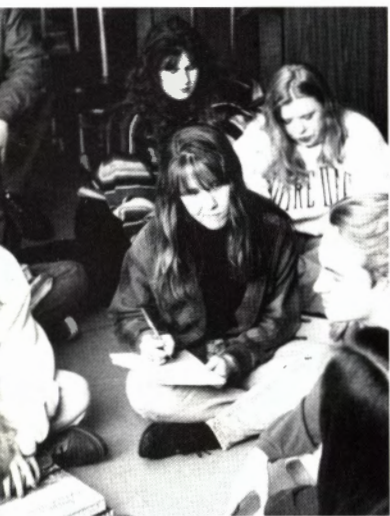
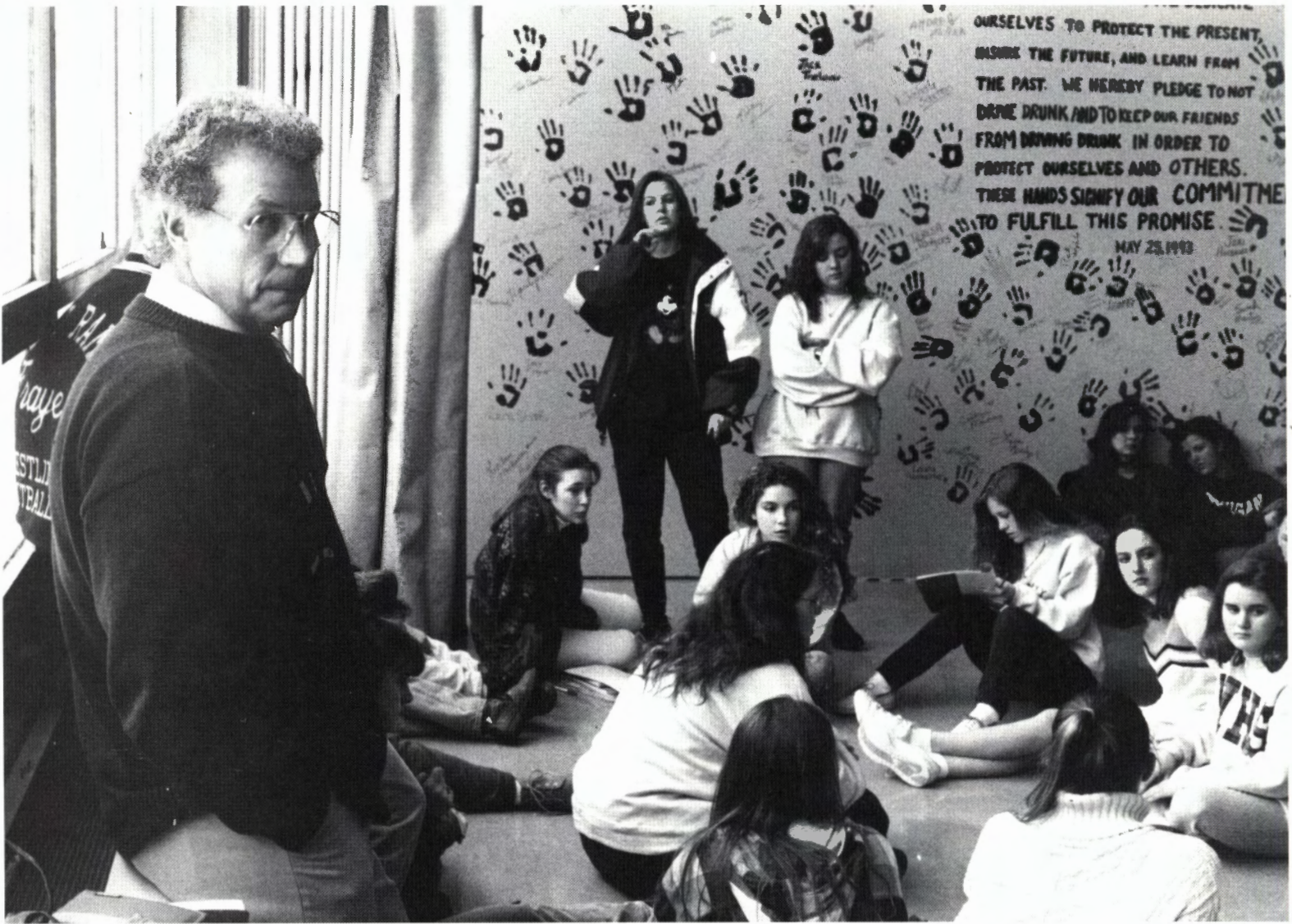
Striking a pose in a routine which was performed at the Winterfest pep assembly is senior Jamie Rach. Jamie was a veteran member of the pom squad and was often a mentor for underclassmen on the squad.



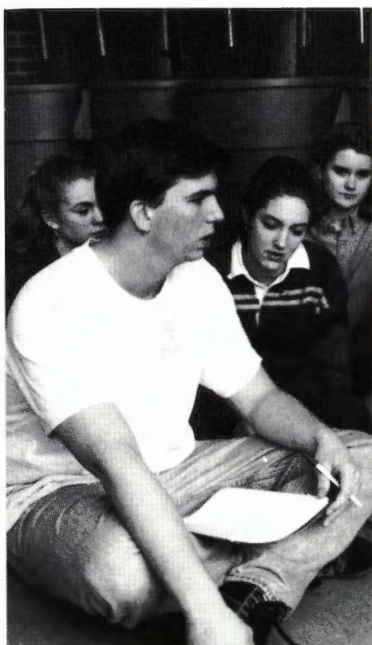


Hard at work

Overseeing a SADD meeting is adviser Gerry Woolston. SADD members put together activities and announcements for Prom week. Grim Reaper Day on May 27 ended with an assembly dramatizing the deadly effects of drinking and driving.



*Getting down to business...*  
Planning prom week activities was not a one person job. SADD members Jenny Ferry, Nicole Belles, Julie St.Onge, Robert Chapin and Laura Gifford used Wednesday afternoon activity periods to tie up loose ends.



*Listen Up!*  
Discussing Prom week activities with his group during a SADD meeting is club president senior Jim Coe. Jim helped to schedule many different events, as well as, played the Grim Reaper during Prom week.

*"When you need a friend"*  
It was the spring PAL Exchange Day and students from different schools take a tour of Holt High School while Holt PAL's visited other schools. The PAL exchange was an opportunity to meet new people interested in school and teen related issues.



# *In Troubled Times*

The year started off slowly for Students Against Driving Drunk (SADD), Peer Assistance Listeners (PAL's), and Peer Resistance, but as the year got moving, these clubs got rolling. SADD Vice President, senior Amy Decker summarized the group's message, "SADD is about not driving if you have been drinking." Junior Robert Chapin added, "I wish people would take this subject as serious as it is. We focused on impacting students during Prom week and, hopefully, made students think and not laugh.

The PAL's focused on recruiting new members and getting the word out on what the group was really about. "PAL's is a great group of people who work together to help their peers in school. All the PAL's are very helpful, caring people who are always willing to lend a listening ear," stated senior Matt Cook. Fellow member Jim Coe commented, "I think the biggest misconception about PAL's is that we do not respect confidentiality. What people need to understand is that secrecy is what PAL's is based on."

Peer Resistance members traveled to district grammar schools to instruct children about the dangers of using drugs. "In Peer Resistance we go into elementary schools and teach kids how to 'say no to drugs.' This is a good experience for anyone who would like a future working with kids," noted senior Sarah McCarty.

PAL's, Peer Resistance and SADD members once again hosted and attended the annual Project Graduation Invitational held at the Kellogg Center on the MSU campus on February 22. Project Graduation was a unique way of joining students from area schools to talk about important alcohol and drug related issues. "I think Project Graduation was a very positive way to talk about the effects of drinking and driving and substance abuse. It was very real to life," commented senior SADD member Ginny Walker. As the year drew to a close, the clubs ended with fundraisers and Prom week activities aimed at getting the school more involved with their cause.

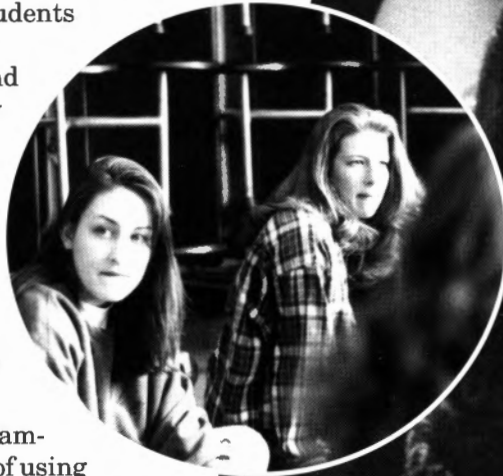
**--Heather Watters and Nicole Belles**

## *Think tank*

Listening intently during a Wednesday activity period is senior Heather Watters along with sophomore Kelly McKeller. Deciding on ideas for a SADD assembly took much planning. (Inset photo)

## *Look, here's the plan...*

Discussing their ideas at a SADD meeting are senior Lisa Telfer and junior Jennifer Bareis. Making decisions took a lot of cooperation and teamwork in order to make their ideas a reality.





## *Ramparts*

# *All in a Day's Work*

Every so often one could find members of the *Ramparts* staff passing out newspapers for a 'measly' 25 cents. Not too much to get the news thought a number of students, though this year the staff decided to hand the paper out free second semester. The goal was to

be informative and entertaining and so it was judged to be by several press associations including Columbia Scholastic Press Association, the National Scholastic Press Association and the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association. All awarded it a first place ranking. But the real fun for most staff members was in producing it. "A chance to write for the paper is one that should not be passed by. I had the best time trying to create a story good enough to go in the next issue!" remembered Adrienne Lawrence. The good times that the students had was what kept them returning to the class. And many reported, learning to write better came with the deal as well as field trips.

"My best experience was the MIPA field trip. I thought it was interesting to hear the different speakers on styles of writing and other topics in Journalism," commented junior Laura Brinker. The trips to MSU were taken in the fall and spring by the Journalism classes to help get fundraising ideas and expertise in writing and photography for their paper which came out six times a year.

The social nature of the class also held appeal. "I had a lot of fun in Journalism this year. I learned how to write for the newspaper, and had a great time interviewing people. I met a lot of people I might not have known while working on my stories," revealed sophomore Karina Howe. "I really enjoy writing and am considering Journalism as a major in college. I became more familiar with what was going on in school and got to know and work with many different people," concluded junior R. D. Ferman.

**--Heather Miner**

### *Listen up!*

Waiting for the keynote speaker's presentation at the fall MIPA Conference are staff members Patti Gafner, Laura Brinker and Megan Gnass.

### *Gettin' it done!*

Finishing a story for the *Ramparts* after school is year-book and newspaper photo editor Katie Roessler. "Katie spent many hours editing stories to get them to publication stage. She was invaluable for putting some pizzazz in the writing," commented Adviser Ann Paul. (Inset)





### *Piano Man*

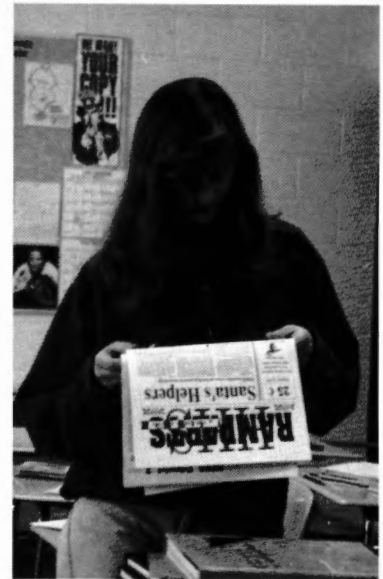
At the fall MIPA Conference held at the Kellogg Center, are seniors Pam Robedeau and newspaper editor Dustin Gould. Dustin instinctively sought out the piano and entertained the large

group of students who attended the conference. He was appreciated by the Dean of the MSU School of Journalism and later invited to perform at the annual Michigan Press Association Awards Program.



### *You better work!*

Reading through the December issue of the newspaper is sophomore yearbook staff member Kathleen Jennings. Newspaper and yearbook staff worked together closely. They helped each other with proofing, writing copy, captions, and headlines. The agenda was whatever needed to be done first at the moment and there was always plenty of work to go around.



### *Behind the scenes*

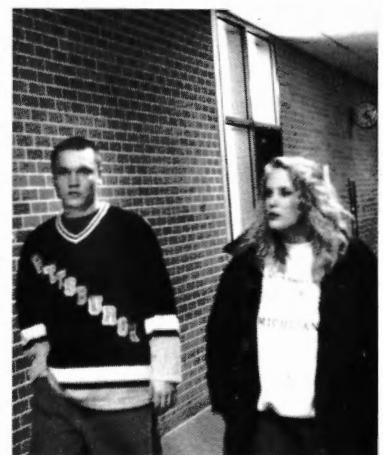
Practical jokes were never ending among staff members. One of the most infamous was a write up about News and Sports editor, Ed Murray. Over 30 notes about Ed were found in various places around the room, from com-



puter tops to cupboards. Features editor Dustin Gould was no help either; he just kept the 'Bootie' jokes rolling. Finally, the adviser traced the stunt to Matt Kelly and Advanced Publications class settled down.

### *Everyday people*

Hanging out in the library at lunch are seniors Heather Stubig and Ramparts staff member Rob Hernandez. Rob had a number of articles published, including pieces on winter sports and summer jobs.



### *Usual Stroll*

Ramparts staff member junior Dylan Brown makes his way through the C hallway with Amy Drowne. Dylan's writing in Journalism his junior year landed him the Editor-in-Chief position his senior year. He commented, "I liked the people I worked with on the newspaper and learning how to write better."



## Leaders of the pack

Cheering down the parade route are spirited members of the senior class. "The Homecoming parade was a lot of fun. It gave seniors a chance to sing, chant, and enjoy themselves," recalled Student Council member Colleen Jennings.



### Cruisin'

Chosen by their peers are Junior Class Homecoming Court members Becky Paterick and Ryan Brookes. Becky, a member of Student Council, commented, "We took great pride in the success of Homecoming."



### Community service

Volunteering not only her time to Student Council, but her blood as well at the National Honor Society Blood Drive, is senior Melissa Morehouse. Many Council members were active in clubs and school-related activities.



### Smiling Duo

Giving Homecoming Queen Shannon Hoekwater an extra special hug is Student Council Adviser Juanita Grew. Shannon was active in Student Council and worked closely with her Adviser on many projects.



## *Student Council*

# *In the Lead*

"Definitely, the worst thing about Student Council is getting up at 6:00 a.m., throwing the alarm and realizing you have to be at school by 7:00 for a Student Council meeting," commented sophomore Brendon Hill. However, Thursday morning meetings was where it all happened, --all the planning and brainstorming for the activities the group sponsored. The most elaborate of these, of course, was Spirit Week and Homecoming. "Student Council's greatest achievement this year was Homecoming. The dance, parade, and floats were all very good. All in all, we had a blast and I think the crowds felt the excitement too!" exclaimed sophomore Kim Witsaman. Since Homecoming was pulled off nearly flawless, the group decided to add to their fun. Winterfest became the topic of conversation. Taken through the planning stages the event took new twists with a faculty student basketball challenge, a pig-kissing contest and new dress-up days.

For many members though, the real focus was representing the student body and generating new ideas. "The best part about Student Council is that we have input on events happening in the school," noted senior Jeff Monroe. On the other hand, senior Matt Cook realized, "We cannot represent everyone all the time. A lot of students get upset because they say we don't do anything, but really, we do our best." For ideas, the members looked to other people and other schools. Each officer had an opportunity to attend a regional and state conference. The state conference was held in Dearborn and Holt had their best turnout ever, sending 15 representatives.

After a year of work and fun, two individuals received recognition for their contributions. Student Council President, senior Matt Cook, received an award for excellent leadership and Vice President, junior, John Ehnis received the Kiwanis award. So for most members, all those early Thursday morning meetings paid off and they weren't without their humorous or ironic moments. Senior Shannon Hoekwater recalled, "The craziest thing that happened was when only six people showed up for one of our 7:00 a.m. meetings. We all sat around and complained about how school should have been canceled. We finally saw our school closing on TV at 7:20!" It was all in a Thursday morning's fun for Student Council.

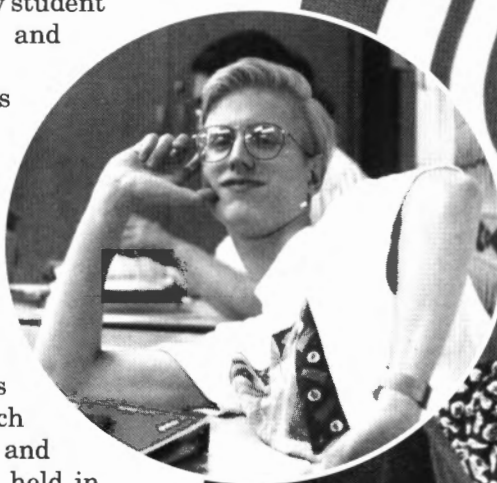
**--Becky Paterick**

### *Second the emotion*

"The funniest thing that happened during Student Council this year was at the Regional conference. We had roles to reenact of a parliamentary meeting put on by Jackson Lumen Christi. Brendon Hill's job was to second a motion, but when his turn came around, he stood up and belted, 'I second the emotion!'" recalled junior John Ehnis. (Inset)

### *Sweet Pea*

"The best thing about Student Council are the members. We all get along great. There's a real relaxed atmosphere at the meetings, and everybody gets a chance to talk," commented President, Matt Cook seen here on Opposite Sex Day during Spirit Week





# Tuned In

National issues formed the focus for the Debate and Forensics teams, as well as a new club, Alliance. Speaking to both sides of an issues was often difficult, however, the Debate team managed to do it at every meet. Sarah Steadman and Aristotle Ford argued the negative while the affirmative team consisted of Sarah Devlin and Tim Hall. The team scored a 5-3 record in the conference and won a tournament in Grand Rapids sponsored by Davenport College. The Affirmative team also finished the season with 12 wins in a row. The team had its challenging moments. "The thing I remember most about the year was when we were in Holland for a debate and we took all the affirmative boxes out of the car, but we never took our defense notes. When we noticed this little fact halfway through our debate, it was too late. Consequently, we lost, but we will always remember it," recalled sophomore Sarah Steadman.

As a tournament of public speaking and oral interpretation, the Forensics team participated in six invitational meets. Tabitha Jenkins and Lisa Telfer presented a pro interpretation, Betsy Booren did an impromptu speech, Ali Beha participated in a dramatic presentation and Miranda Hartmann and Rob Chapin did a duo interpretation. The team sent Betsy Booren, Lisa Telfer and Christy Ewen to Regional competition from districts. The motivation for the involvement varied from careers in law to theatre. Senior Lisa Telfer explained, "The love of acting drew me to the Forensics team. It presents a certain challenge to performing a piece in competition against others all working toward a common goal." Another real motivation was highlighted by Coach Debbie Childers who commented, "To many members, the very best part was stopping at McDonald to and from meets, though some will tell you the best part was that I didn't get lost once this year!"

Another issue getting high priority among some students was A.I.D.S. awareness. A group under the leadership of Adviser Bill Savage, formed the club, Alliance. They held a walkathon and manned a booth at the Education Fair. Concern was raised by students about the difficulty of facing the issue. "Students are scared to talk about how A.I.D.S. is passed. Also, society is sometimes reluctant to talk about any diseases dealing with death," noted senior Terrie Sterns. Providing historical perspective, Bill Savage added, A.I.D.S. is the single greatest threat to the human race since the Black Death, or the threat of nuclear war." The issue for many of the members," summarized senior Jennifer Ferry, "was how we can get information across to not only our present classes, but also, future classes."

**--Bobbijo Larkins**

## *Gaining awareness*

Discussing and planning the events and activities of the year for the new club Alliance are seniors Miranda Hartmann and Jeff Monroe

## *A place to start*

Building his knowledge about AIDS is senior Jeff Monroe in Ms. Chapman's Health class. (Inset photo)





### *Sunday prep*

Preparing for a debate meet on the weekend are freshman Nick Cook and Coach Guil Northrup. The group met often on Sunday evenings during the season to research and prepare negative and affirmative positions.

### *For your information*

At the Education Fair members of Alliance, Jenny Ferry, Ryan Osborne and Jessica Anderson, man a booth to inform the public about the activities of the club.

### *Brainstorming*

Working out ideas for the clubs projects during an Activity hour are Adviser Bill Savage, Amy Heathman, Jenny Ferry, and Jessica Anderson.



### *Getting info*

Researching a position during a debate practice is senior Sarah Devlin with a few pointers from Coach Guil Northrup.



## National Honors Society

# In Full Swing

It was the helping hand organization or so some called it. Students in National Honor Society had the opportunity to participate in many service activities that benefited both the school and the community. "Student participation was exceptionally high this year. The group was energetic and positive. They got things done," commented Co-Adviser Jan Wilson.

Students were involved in a number of activities ranging from serving coffee at parent-teacher conferences to the complex task of hosting a blood drive in the High School library. They also helped teachers move into their newly renovated rooms, and were on hand for sophomore orientation and the German student exchange reception. They hosted the "Give a Kid a Coat drive, luncheons for new students and the faculty, held a candy fundraiser, a canned-food drive, ushered at the

Education Fair and tutored students. "The activities that we participated in were chosen by the members. I think this was one reason involvement was high," stated Co-Adviser Beth Berwald.

Motivation also came from other sources. President Betsy Booren commented, "At an early age, my parents taught me to help out the community and people who cannot help themselves. I originally joined NHS because teachers said it would be good for me. Now, I get into the community service part myself. I think it is important."

New guidelines for induction also played a part in more involvement. Fifteen hours of community service had to be completed before a candidate would be inducted. Treasurer Kathy McGroarty, noted, "The new requirement benefited NHS. More people were willing to do the work. It also keeps the focus on what NHS is supposed to be."

The service factor also paid a reward. Senior Kelly Bush explained, "I chaired the 'Give a Kid a Coat' drive. This was an experience that I found very rewarding. It took a lot of time and effort, but it paid off when I handed out coats to kids who otherwise wouldn't have them. I also worked on the candy sales quite a bit. That was fun, but after a while, I didn't want to see any more candy sticks. By the time they were handed out, I didn't even want to eat mine. Well, I ate one." And Vice President Greg Stela concluded, "Every time you take time out of your schedule to help the community, you're helping yourself as well. It gives you a feeling of accomplishment, not to mention, it tells everyone around you that you're a quality person who cares about others. Being in NHS is a great honor, but its importance lies in showing the community that young people of today are interested in making the world a better place to live."

**--Jada Bowden**

### *Playing it safe*

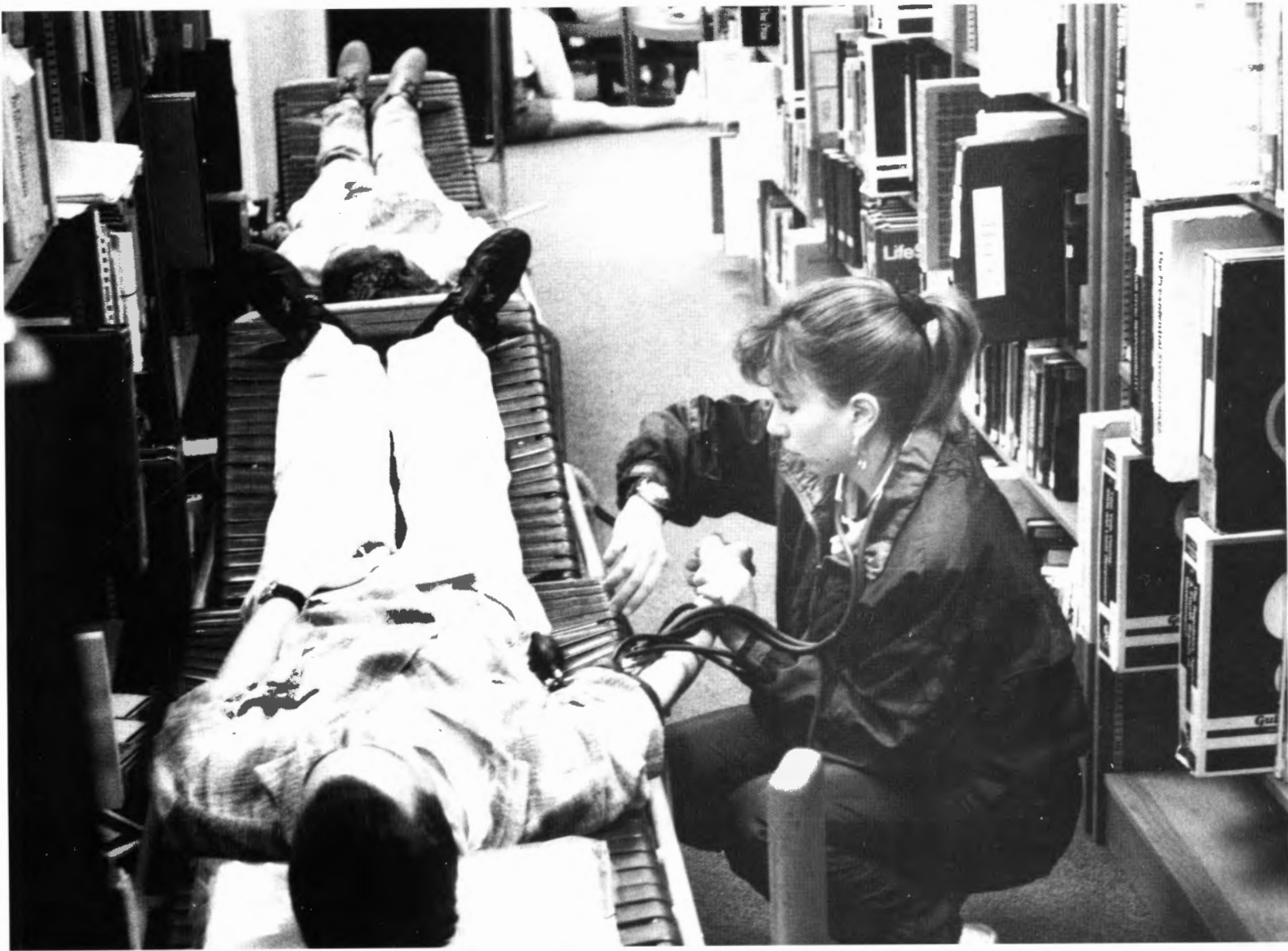
Filling out a health screening form during the blood drive is junior Allison Wood. The forms were used to help the Red Cross screen the donor's blood.

### *Stay Calm*

Talking to help soothe nerves were NHS President Betsy Booren and senior Kara Kragt. The blood supply in Michigan was low this spring and the 1,331 pints donated at the March 1 blood drive helped to resupply.



Checking senior Jay Coxon's blood pressure was trainer Allison Leonhard. It was his first time giving blood, and as he saw it being drawn, a dizzy Jay thought, "Hey, you don't suppose you could give me half of that back!"



### Taking it easy

Too lightheaded to walk is senior Katie Roessler assisted by senior Brandon Oaks and a RedCross volunteer. Katie explained, "They told us not to walk around after we gave blood, but I didn't



listen. So when I sat down I started feeling all tingly. The next thing I knew I was laying on the floor surrounded by people and I yelled out, 'I fainted!' Then I had to get loaded onto that dreaded orange cart."

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### Something new

Preparing for a presentation in Pete Kressler's History class are new NHS members Nicole Nelson, Jeff Jewett, and Paul DeRose. To be considered for NHS membership, students had to complete 15 hours of documented community service and be approved by a teacher panel.

### Pay attention

Discussing upcoming NHS events were Scott Johnson, Ryan Brookes, Jennie Vanlerberghe, Terra Knoop, Brandi Spitz, Chandra Wheeler, Sarah Roberts, and April Reinke at a meeting during Activity period.



*At the buzzer*

Competing in the Capital Area Invitational against Vandercook Lake are senior Quiz Bowl team members Ed Murray, Kelly Bush, Ali Beha and sophomore Jeff Jewett. At that point in the match Holt was in the lead 235-0. They went on to win the competition with a 400 point shut out.

*Fun and games*

Taking each other on in a friendly game of Trivial Pursuit are senior Ali Beha and junior Ray Shock. The team practiced on Monday mornings and Wednesdays after school for up-coming meets.



*Quiz Bowl Team*

**Top Row:** Coach Mary Gray, Vanessa Thomas, Coach Georganne Withey.  
**Bottom Row:** Ed Murray, Ali Beha, Kelly Bush, Kara Kragt.





## Quiz Bowl

# In Search of Answers

Defeating Jackson and Eaton Rapids, and suffering a loss to East Lansing in the Quizbusters Tournament, the Quiz Bowl team ended the season with a 4-5 record in the Capital Area Conference, while Captain Kelly Bush was named to the All-Conference team. No particular student excelled in all the topics; everyone had their area of expertise. Senior Vanessa Thomas observed, "It seemed like everyone played a lot of games. It wasn't always our top four players out there answering questions. Everyone could feel worthy of their title of Quizbowlwer."

The team's strengths varied. Senior Ali Beha reflected, "We knew most of the answers, but we weren't as fast as East Lansing or Everett. "We were all there to have fun and no one was over-serious about the whole thing. But, we were mainly a senior team and needed new members," added senior Kelly Bush. On a lighter note, Vanessa admitted, "One important strength was the communication between Mrs. Withey and the team about which snacks were good. Food was important!"

They ate and practiced Monday mornings and Wednesday afternoons; sometimes inviting other schools and even challenged the teachers. Ultimately, all this was prep for Quizbusters sponsored by WKAR, which members found exciting. "Maybe it was the cameras and bright lights," theorized Vanessa. Then again, maybe it was the competition and fast rolling answers. Kelly described the highlight at the Capital Area Invitational. "We beat Vandercook Lake by close to 400 points. We had never beaten anyone by that much, and it just felt good to have our team answering the majority of the questions."

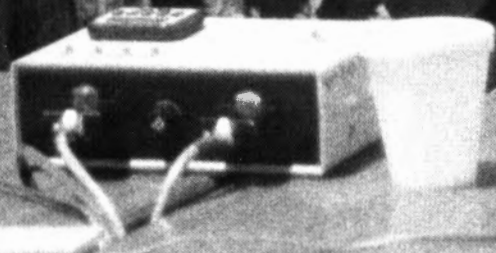
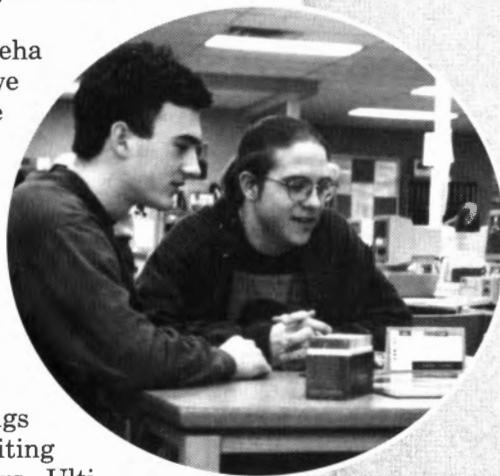
The season was not without its funny answers too. Ali remembered, "One question was, 'What do you call a person at a carnival who bites off heads of chickens? The answer was a geek!' Then there was 'moldicide,' the answer to the common name for solvents that kill mold which the team invented for lack of the correct one. Searching for answers was the game and it had the 'Jeopardy' enthusiasts both frustrated and hooked. --Kari Reynolds

### Next question

Practicing with Trivial Pursuit in the Library after school are sophomore Jeff Jewett and senior Tad Feland. They also spent time communicating with Coach Georganne Withey about what foods were the best motivators.

### Challenge the Quiz Bowl

Challenging Principal Brian Templin, teachers and visitors at the Education Fair to a game of Quiz Bowl are senior Kelly Bush and other members of the team, as Coach Mary Gray observes the action.





# In Other Words

The activities of the Spanish and French clubs provided time for socializing while promoting cultural awareness. "We try to arrange social activities after school which are somehow related to the Hispanic culture," explained Spanish teacher Juanita Grew. One problem the clubs always had was finding time to meet. "Because of the school schedule and sports it's hard for people to get together outside of activity period, so I try to make our Wednesday meetings meaningful," commented French teacher Sandra Bernier. During French Club meetings students often sampled French cooking such as croissants, eclairs and chocolate fondue. Others planned activities such as bowling, a movie party and a bus trip to see, "Phantom of the Opera."

The Spanish club also planned a variety of out-of-school activities, but attendance was often scarce. Miss Grew stated,

"Many people sign-up for the activities, but at the last minute plans change. We had to cancel the ski trip for that reason." One trip that was well attended was the bus ride to Cedar Point. Students filled two buses and spent the day enjoying the park.

The most important thing for all the language clubs was to build cultural awareness. Both clubs participated in the Ethnic Fair and the Education Fair.

For students the heart of the matter was to gain some fluency in a foreign language. "I chose to study French because I've heard people speak it before and the language sounded more romantic than Spanish or German," noted sophomore Elaine Christofilis. "The most important thing about French is the pronunciation. Girls love it!" laughed junior Bob Keller.

The eye-opener for some students were the similarities. "The most important thing that I have learned from Spanish is that people all around the world have different customs and cultures but aren't so different after all," noted sophomore Lisa Krug.

And the clubs did promote community service too. The Spanish classes made pinatas for the childrens' wards of local hospitals for the holiday season. Junior Jada Bowden described, "Allison Larson and I made a pinata. It started out to be a star but when I put the paper mache on it, it looked more like Humpty Dumpty, so we improvised. We made a ballerina star-it was the envy of all."

**Andrea Cook and Dana Dillon**

## *Tres Bien*

Taking advantage of an Activity period to hold a French club meeting is Adviser Sandra Bernier with senior Chrisy Ewen. The meetings often featured French desserts as a treat.

## *Fittin' in*

Working in the library is Brazilian exchange student Cledimar Carvalho. "Junior always made me laugh, I thought it was great that he could always get along with everyone. I'll miss him," stated senior Andrea Andrews.





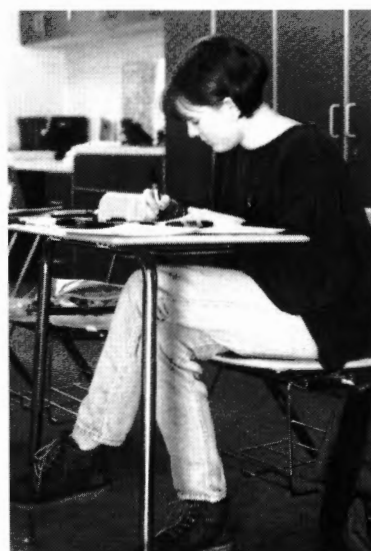


### *Feliz Navidad*

Constructing a glimmer of excitement for children at a local hospital are sophomores Wanda Newman and Alicia Lansing. Each year Spanish language students helped to brighten the holiday season for children who must spend this festive time in the hospital by making pinatas to decorate their rooms.

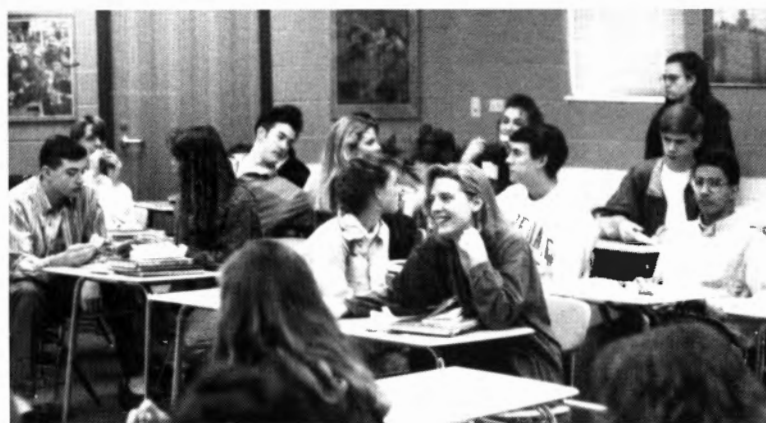
### *Artist at heart*

Putting her design abilities to the test is senior French Club President Kay Towsley as she prepares her entry for the French Club poster contest.



### *Le Professeur*

Visiting with former French teacher Norman Garnett during a club meeting are seniors Lisa Telfer, Christy Ewen, and Kay Towsley.



### *Meeting of minds*

During Activity period, French Club members talk amongst themselves about upcoming events and projects. One major event was the trip to Toronto to see "Phantom of the Opera."



## Rampages

# In the Groove

They spend all year pulling their hair out trying to get the yearbook done. They have to make sure all the names are right and the quotes are worded right. By spring the staff is ready to leave and take a break. Some seniors who were in the introductory class got moved up. "I think my most memorable experience was getting promoted from the intro section to advanced. I got to move into a class with a lot of my friends and I have learned so much more by having both classes," explained senior Heather Watters.

The draw for many was having fun while working independently yet, being accountable for producing a quality product. "I like the freedom to get things done like an adult, rather than how it is in some classes--due dates, quiet work and busy work," admitted senior Heather Miner. And the project was always the topic of assessment. "This year's book is really cool. It's creative in many ways--

cover, theme, photos, although some topics are a bit cheesy, revealed junior Kari Reynolds. The

staff took a twist with the cover design creating a collage of the ram's head.

They spent two weeks trying to get things right and everyone had to like it. The design and graphics were also quite different and the staff hoped to win their seventh Spartan award from the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association.

After moving into renovated space, the staff looked forward to the year. The rooms were larger with more computer space and quiet space.

However, staff members were not their usual selves. With the *Ramparts* and *Rampages* editors together, some had double duties

with both newspaper and yearbook deadlines. Senior Sports Editor Ed Murray commented, "I met all my deadlines and still had fun laughing at Dustin Gould. He would do his impression of Bill Murray playing golf; it's the best!" Pranks abounded alongside work. "I remember Dustin stealing my lucky charm, stinky. It's just a spider in an envelope, but it helps me write. Anyway we had a big ordeal because I couldn't find him and Dustin claimed that he had thrown him away," explained senior Matt Kelly.

For the students responsible for recording memories, people and events were the key ingredients to fun and accomplishment. Editor-in-Chief Colleen Jennings revealed, "My most memorable experience is working with the staff. Each person had something unique to add to the mix. Humor, fun, hardwork and, at times, tension made the class."

--Lisa Ellis

### Check ya later...

Making her exit through the Mac lab at the end of Advanced Publications is yearbook Editor-in-Chief Colleen Jennings.

### Out of Focus

Yearbook photo editor Katie Roessler, is caught by the lens doing typical things. She reflected, "Being photo editor became a little overwhelming at times, but I'm glad I got the opportunity. I really love photography and hope to pursue it as a career."





### *Introductory Publications*

**Top Row:** Shane May, Andrea Cook, Jada Bowden, Kari Reynolds. **Row 2:** Becky Paterick, Dana Dillon. **Bottom Row:** Megan Ketchum, Kathleen Jennings.

### *Staying in the lines*

Painting a sign for the Washington Woods and Horizon schools' combined Open House are seniors Nicole Belles and Andrea Andrews. The sign spanned the middle school gym and took days to finish. The yeabook and newspaper staffs were often asked to take on public relations projects for the district.



### *Hello, Hello?*

Letting her fingers do the walking through the yellow pages, senior Kelly Larsen talks to advertisers, in her staff position as Community editor and business manager for the yearbook.

### *Meet the public*

Manning the Rampages booth at the Education Fair are seniors Colleen Jennings and Heather Watters. It was an opportunity for the community to see what was happening with desktop publishing at the High School.



### *Freaky Friday*

The spirits collide on Homecoming Theme Day for seniors Dustin Gould, Nicole Belles and junior Lisa Ellis.



### *Awareness is the key*

Attending a Multicultural Club meeting during an Activity hour are juniors Dylan Brown and Darnell Powers. "The Multicultural Club gave me a better perspective on different cultures and people. Even though we didn't get everything that we wanted to accomplish, we still made some progress," noted Dylan.



### *In native costume*

Sharing their Native American cultures with the community are junior Jamie Roy and Joe Roy. The brother and sister duo performed native tribal dances as part of the Ethnic Fair program. The event gave residents the chance to learn more about other cultures and ways of life.



### *Taste treat*

Sampling an ethnic food at the Fair is Superintendent Mark Maksimowicz. Long-time advocate of multicultural education, Dr. Maksimowicz has been very involved with district multicultural efforts.

### *In step*

Performing a Mexican dance at the Ethnic Fair are members of the Cristo Rey dancers. Various dance groups, displays and demonstrations along with sampling of ethnic foods made up the the program.





## Multicultural Club

# In Touch

Multiculturalism is a given in today's society and job market and the Multicultural Club recognized that fact. It addressed the issues of diversity among the student body and staff. Adviser Nancy Lamphier shared, "I try to support the club leaders and I give advice. I hope that the club sheds light on issues and brings about change and tolerance for differences. The root of prejudice is often fear and change takes a long time."

Many student members shared her concerns. Senior Dylan Brown observed, "The club is helping the school because it's one group providing a broader perception of other cultures." The club was the answer to some students search for a discussion forum. Junior Mia Swavel revealed, "I thought there weren't any other students as worried about the future of the school in regard to rising multiculturalism. I was really relieved to find out about the group. Sophomore Zulema Beltran agreed. She noted, "I joined the group because I wanted to be able to share my ideas and struggles with discrimination. I also felt that it would help educate me about other cultures."

The activities revolved around social issues and ethnic themes. President of the club, Aristotle Ford, explained, "The advisers and I decide guidelines and the students participate in the decision making. The club wanted to cover a broader spectrum, as far as racial and ethnic minority issues go. Young people are influenced by what they see and television has had a profound effect. We continued the Community Forum with state leaders, residents and students."

The forum was held prior to the Ethnic Fair on March 15. It featured speakers seeking to increase cultural awareness and sensitivity within the community. Junior Chereese Ford commented on the need. "We are helping the school because some students really aren't as sensitive as they need to be about people of different backgrounds. The Ethnic Fair is one way that different cultures can express themselves and students can become aware of them."

Attendance at the fair was nearly double the 1991 event. Along with displays and demonstrations of 25 countries, visitors could sample foods from around the world. One of the participants, junior Jamie Roy concluded, "I think that all races and ethnic groups in our school must unite to show other communities that discrimination is in the past. We should all know and learn more about how to accept other races and cultures and to give them respect for who they are and what they believe in."

**--Rheanna Abbott and Maureen Gregg**

### *Native crafts*

A member of the Chippewa tribe demonstrated basketweaving at the Ethnic Fair held at the Junior High School, March 15. (Inset photo)

### *A time for culture*

Awaiting the start of her dance demonstration is a performer at the Ethnic Fair. Several groups performed native dances as part of the program.





# Moving In

Events for the German club began with the election of officers in October. In its third year, the club was still finding its niche and purpose. A change of leadership was the switch from a presidential system to a collective cabinet plan. The cabinet members were seniors Dustin Gould and Kim Lawrence, along with juniors Brian Heany, Gary Crum, Ryan Theis and sophomore Brendon Hill.

The first event the club organized was a small party at Frau Peter's house with a showing of the movie "Swing Kids," about teens at the time of Hitler. Sophomore Jeff Jewett commented, "It was nice to have an adviser who invited us into her house and her life."

Then the group planned on going skiing in February with the Spanish Club, but that was cancelled. After much deliberation on the price, students discovered the snow had melted! The disappointment led sophomore Brendon Hill to comment, "German Club was an interesting experience, but I think there was a small problem with organization. Next year I hope we go back to a presidential system." However, the group was a close knit one as Nicki Wood concluded, "We were more like a family than a club and we had a lot of fun."

The story was a little different for 18 students participating in the German Exchange. They traveled to Munich in June where they experienced German culture, sightseeing and family life for three weeks with students from Elsa Brandstrom Gymnasium. Senior Chandra Wheeler recalled, "Germany wasn't anything like I pictured. It was very overcrowded and the houses had very small yards. It was amazing to see buildings that were over 1,000 years old and cobblestone roads."

They also learned more about the language. Senior Andrea Viele revealed, "I found that I understood more than I thought and everyone was very patient. Even if I didn't understand, I could usually figure out what they were saying."

For most, that was the educational goal while on the quest for fun in Deutschland and memories to last a lifetime.

*--Dustin Gould*

## *Guten tag!*

Enjoying a festive lunch during the German Weekend at MSU are teachers Jason Bachman and German Club Adviser Rosie Peters. (Inset photo)

## *Achtung!*

Asking junior Jason Smith a question at a German Club meeting is Adviser Rosie Peters. "Jason and his friends, Zach Wahl and Nichole Hoagland were notorious for their voiced editorial comments," noted Dustin Gould.





### *More Planning?*

German Club Cabinet members junior Gary Crum and sophomore Brendan

Hill discuss fundraising options during a German Club meeting.



### *The gang's all here*

Brushing up on their German are club members senior Christina Christofilis and juniors Kurt Ahlgrim, Karen Olson, Yvonne Gibbs, Nichole Hoag-

land, and John Ehnis at the MSU German Weekend. Playing cards in German helped the members learn the difficult language.



### *Help*

Getting a hall pass from Frau Peters on "Get Up and Go Day" during Spirit Week is senior club member Dustin Gould.







**H**ey, turn down that light! It's blinding me. Pointed squarely on them, upperclassmen basked in seniority. They all knew it was important to work together and they enjoyed the occasional limelight. Their chance to shine with skits was foiled, but they recouped it in the battle of hall decorations, electrifying their's with Halloween ghouls and blacklights. They also turned up the amps on college applications in order to catch the attention of admissions officers. They often strove to win like wrestlers Josh Hogarth and Joe Schutte who snatched up first places at the state meet. ■ The juniors, however, were not to be outdone. Their float took centerstage after winning first place in the class competition. Then another surpris-

ing upset occurred in the gym during the Homecoming pep assembly as they shouted their way to a first place in the loudmouth contest. Meanwhile, they closed ranks on the difficult academic year taking on the challenge of raising GPA's and working their way through extra-curriculars

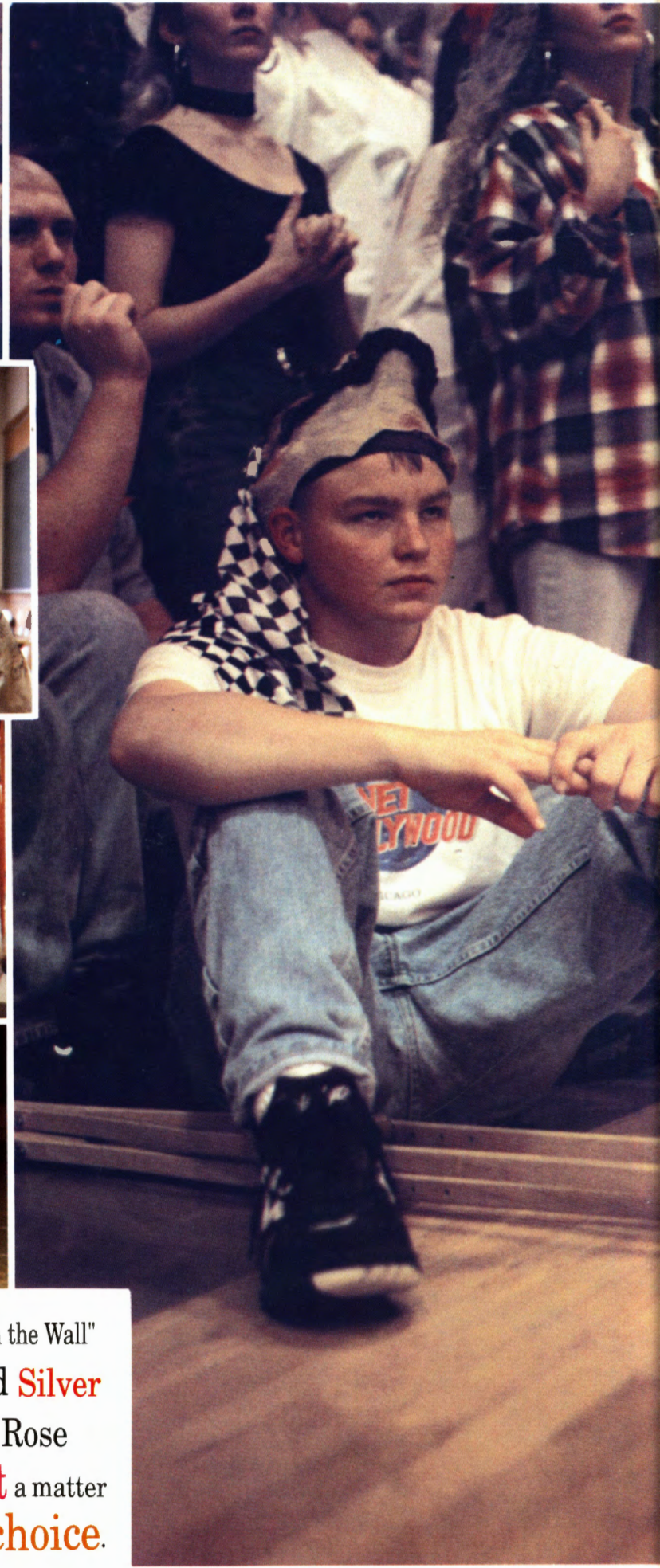
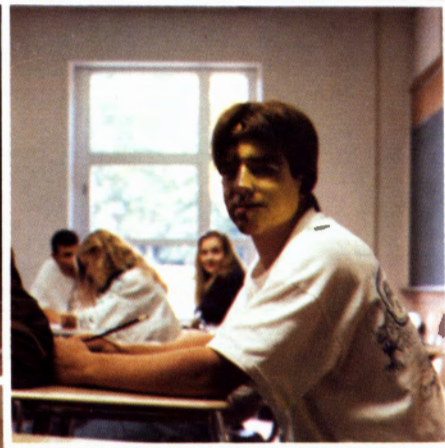
## *In the Spotlight*

and sports. ■ The sophomores stumbled into the spotlight early on, wandering through the halls during August orientation. But they weren't alone as juniors and seniors had to rediscover their way through renovated hallways. Underclassmen found themselves aspiring to the 'wisdom' of experienced upperclassmen in Advisory. Their fate was meeting new state requirements for the MEAP and portfolios. ■ Administrators radiated expectations for keeping up the face-lifted physical plant as the new wing was put in operation. Principal Tom Davis stepped up to Assistant Superintendent leaving Brian Templin as his replacement in the wake of the Principal Selection Committee process. While younger faculty tackled the issues of PDS and curriculum, five faculty members were in the retirement spotlight. After an extended school year and extra snow days, nearly everyone was ready to plug into some relaxation.

### **Light of Her Life**

Working on a colored pencil drawing in Art Seminar class is senior April Gober. She acknowledged, "My art is everything to me. I've been drawing ever since I was a little girl. It just comes natural to me. I'm very proud of my work and really enjoy doing it. I plan on working with art as a career."





**Song:** "Another Brick in the Wall"  
**Colors:** Maroon and Silver  
**Flower:** Black Rose  
**Motto:** Destiny is **not** a matter of chance; it's a matter of **choice**.  
 It's not a **thing** to be counted on;  
 it's a thing to be **achieved**.

Photo by Katie Roessler





# *Living* on the edge

Livin' on the edge of the real world, seniors led double lives. Trying to decide whether to go to the big bash after the football game or what they were going to do career wise after graduation, many were confused. From the beginning, some were on the edge of anger because of policy changes during the senior assembly. A new state law prohibited smoking on campus, a crackdown on eating and drinking outside of the cafeteria was implemented, and a rehash of the rules took place. Seniors surprised the administration by getting into a dispute over repaving the student parking lot. "I can't believe the price of parking permits. I pay five dollars to park here half a day and another two dollars to park at the Career Center. I think the school needs to use that money to fix our lot before someone gets hurt," vocalized senior Karen Kretzinger.

It didn't end there. Throughout the year they confronted controversy and Homecoming was not exempt. 'What do you mean, no Homecoming skits?' It was the seniors' chance to work some magic and turn a few sophomores' heads just as the "Welcome to the Jungle" extravaganza, had dazzled them. But, for the first time in several years, skits were banned from the Homecoming activities. "Eliminating skits reduced our opportunity to show more spirit. Skits are a senior tradition. They're how we show we're number one," complained senior Christina Christofilis.

Although skits were banned, seniors recouped their pride by winning the hall competition, and putting a lot of energy into their float. MSU seniors Brent Hunter and Susanne Dahl captured the Spirit Week fun on video which they sold to the student body. "Homecoming was great, but all of a sudden, it was over, and all that was left were the memories," remarked senior Dave Kost.

Another senior tradition kept them afloat for another two months. Consumer Economics classes redefined hot items with beaded necklaces. Students were forced to choose between "The Chain Gang," "Bead It," and "Rope on a Throat." To complete the look, students livin' on the edge of fashion went as far as to get tatoood and have various body parts pierced. "I recently got a tatoo and believe they serve more as expressions of self than fashion statements," stated junior Jason Bedford.

Four snow days in January, Winter Spirit Week and the newly instated midwinter break in February made the winter blahs a little easier to handle. "I was already at school when they cancelled classes because of the weather. I stayed with Mr. Foy and he let me make some nitroglycerin because it was too dangerous to make when other students were in the building. I was walking across the parking lot to blow it up "safely," but I slipped on the ice and nearly blew myself up. Mr. Rudd, Mr. Foy and I waited awhile for it to go off. Mr. Rudd said that it must not have been nitro. Then we felt a shock wave and things pinging off the building, I guess it wasn't an average snow day for me," recalled senior Brandon Oaks.

Although seniors had to adapt to some new rules and a renovated building, high school remained basically a comfort zone for most seniors. On the edge of a new life, most seniors looked to the future, while remembering the experiences of their high school years which helped to make them who they were.

*Colleen Jennings*

## *Serious* side of fun

On the edge of the crowd, dressed in Halloween attire, senior Dave Kost observes the Pom Pon performance at the Homecoming pep assembly October 8. Dave kept spirit at a high throughout the year, taking charge of Student Council activities, serving on the Principal Selection Committee and cheering on teams at games.



## In the spotlight

'All the world's a stage' for senior Lisa Telfer in a scene from the winter play, "Our Town." Lisa played the lead of Emily Webb in the performance on February 26.

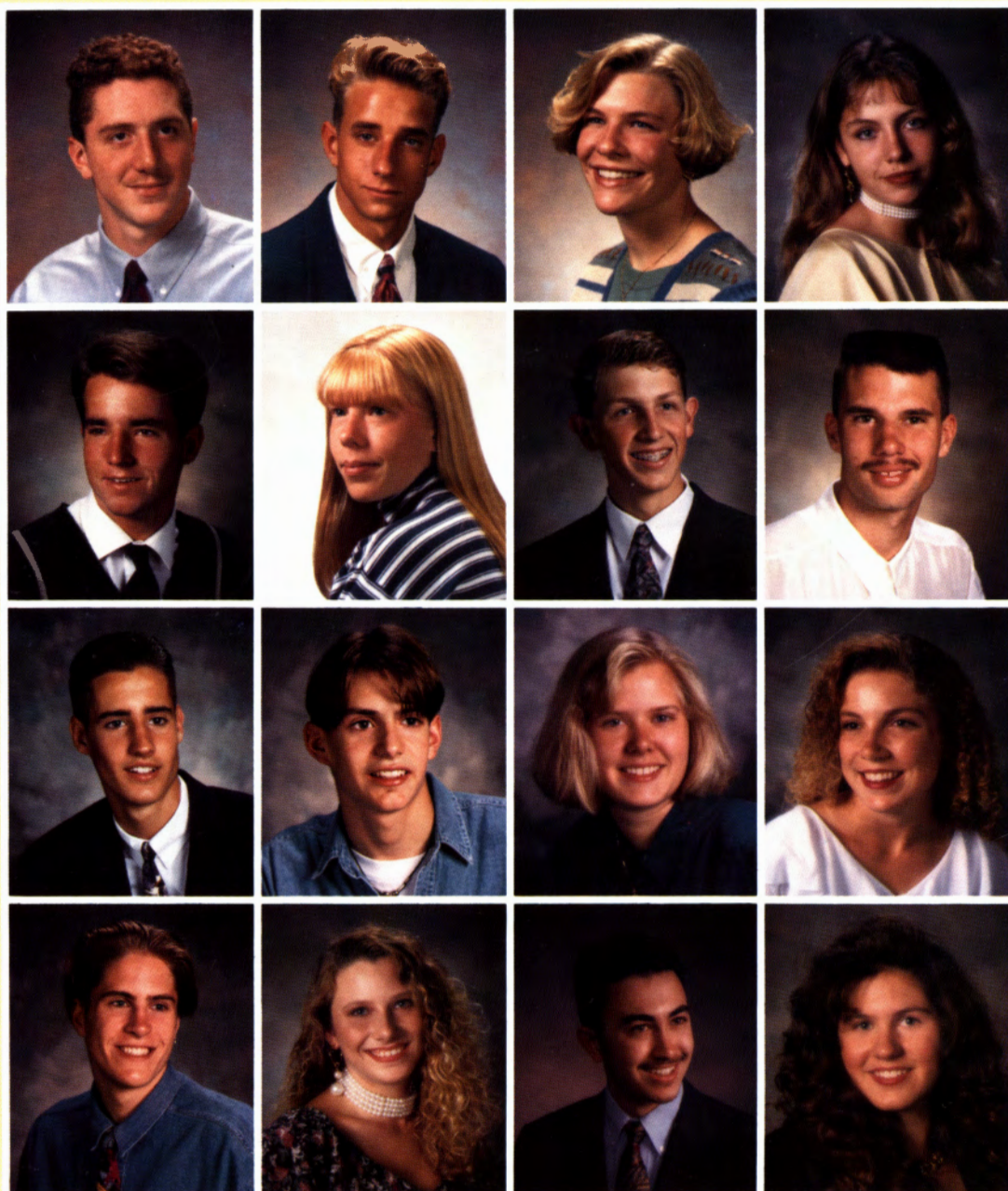


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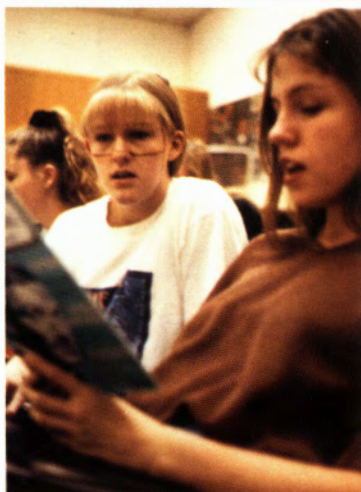


"During the play, 'Harvey', an actual bat came down, but no one on stage really knew it. Eric Knechtges did a great job covering. The play was one of my last high school performances and now I look forward to acting professionally."

--Senior Lisa Telfer

## Practice plus

Practicing songs during fifth hour Choir class are Missy Schopp and Jenny Allen. Missy and Jenny both planned to continue singing in college choir at MSU and Ferris State.



# Edgin' toward success

Most everyone had a special talent or activity that they did outside of school and some strived to achieve goals that they had set for themselves. Senior Colleen Jennings recalled, "I worked so hard in Publications and in Journalism to be the editor of the yearbook. I am really proud that I achieved the goal that I had set for myself in tenth grade. It took a lot of dedication. I learned so much about people and the mechanics of writing, layouts and photos. I think being the editor has helped me to be a more well rounded person. I hope to be the editor of a newspaper or magazine...but that could change!" she laughingly admitted.

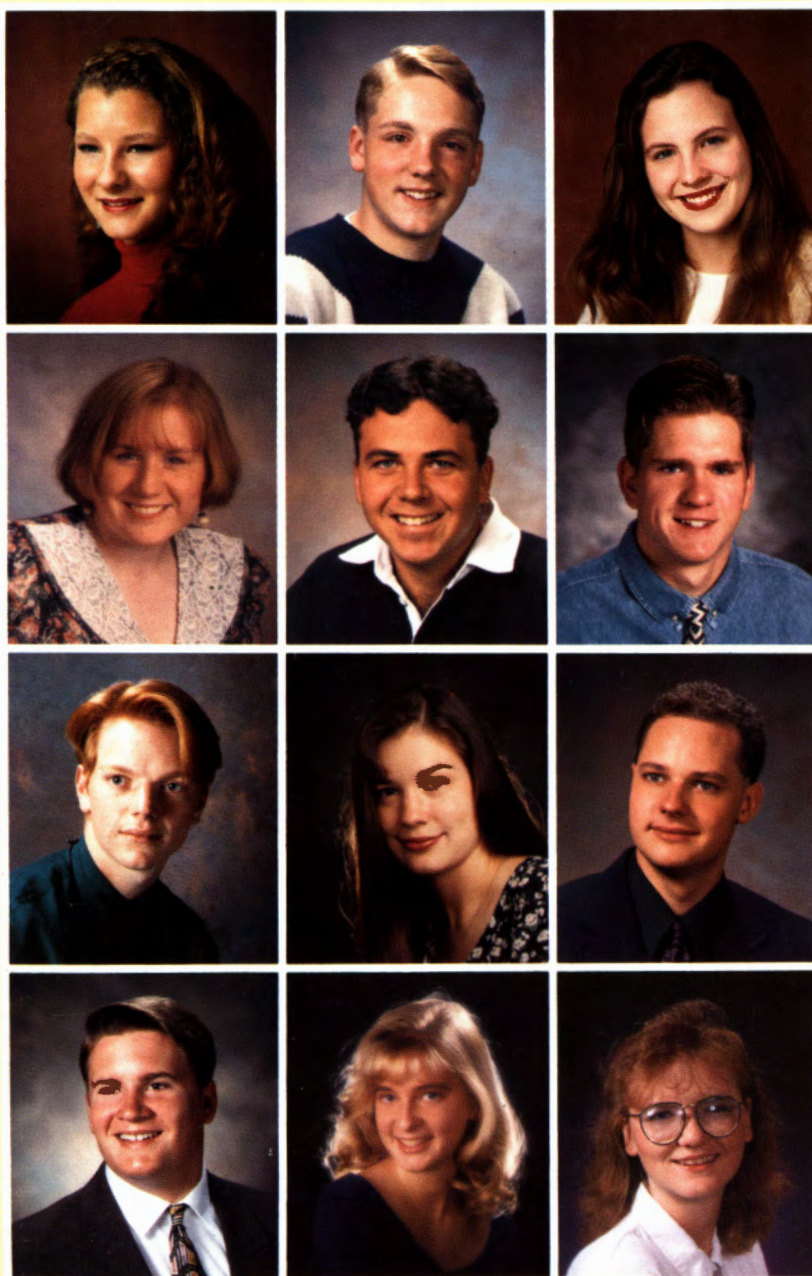
While some students' extraordinary talents lay in academic areas, others were inclined in a different direction. "I love to draw and I like to think that I am pretty good at it," stated junior Adam Newberry. "I like to be recognized as an artist," he concluded. Besides enjoying art, Adam strived in another area placing consistently as third runner for the Cross Country team.

Another runner, senior Jack Treloar, was a sprinter on the Varsity Track team but most did not know about Jack's passion for computers. "My ultimate goal is to get a great job making lots of money doing what I love most--playing around with computers. Whether it's fixing them, selling them, anything, it doesn't matter! I want to major in computers, minor in business and be on the college track team," Jack confided of his goals.

Some students did things in their spare time that could qualify them as "unsung heros." Senior Nichole Saxton revealed, "I travel with a group called Creative Ministries during the summer. We go to bible schools and camps and teach children about religion. I sing, act and even run lights and sound with the group." Another student volunteering his time was Varsity wrestler Troy Frayer. He shared, "I help give wrestling and math lessons to children. I have to budget my time between my practice, their practice and my schoolwork. Time management is critical!"

Then there were students who pursued hobbies and fantasies. Senior Jason Brisboe did studio work for Action City Records, while senior Angie Beckner secretly wished to go one on one with Mike Tyson in the ring. Senior Miranda Hartmann did clowning in her spare time as "Kic-Kic." Whether it was a special talent or fantasy, students found ways to achieve their goals and had some fun in the process.

--Heather Watters





# Spirit Week

## in the life of a senior

It was what seniors waited two years for. It was the time to show underclassmen who the leaders were. And what better way was there than to show their spirit.

Homecoming week began with the ever popular theme, Get Up and Go Day. Some students went all out. Senior Terrie Stearns recalled, "I woke up at a quarter after seven and just went to school with out makeup or anything. I felt a little on the grungy side, but I was comfortable. Besides a lot of other people looked just as goofy as I did."

Brown and Gold Day gave more than just seniors a chance to show their spirit. Senior Jim Coe explained, "There isn't a better way to show your support for all the sports teams. I think that dressing up and going to the games really shows that we care about how much time and effort teams put into being their best."

Hat Day definitely had the most participation. Just about everyone showed up in one. Even hall monitor, Chad Cottom, came to school in a baseball cap to show his Ram spirit. A big turn out was expected for Hat Day, since it was the only day all school year students could 'legally' wear a hat and not have to duck away from teachers as they bumped their way through the crowded halls.

Thursday's Dress Up Day had everyone in their Sunday best. Senior Janet Maki noticed, "Only certain people participated, but if more people got involved with Spirit Week, it would probably be more fun."

While the daytime was devoted to costume, the evening was reserved for float building. As the week went on, the float

### What's the buzz?

Awaiting the Homecoming pep assembly activities to begin on October 8, is senior Laurie Bushnell. Decked out in her bee girl outfit which was inspired by the video, "No Rain," Laurie was ready for the Halloween Theme Day hoopla.

"During Spirit Week everyone cuts loose. On dress-up days I learned not to care what people think; just go ahead, look stupid, and have fun! I was disappointed that the seniors lost the float competition, but part of Spirit Week is winning and losing. And what really matters is having fun."

--Senior Terrie Stearns

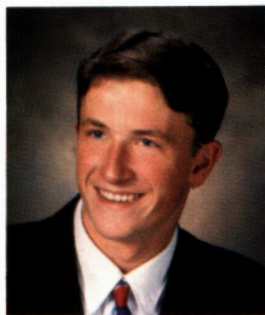
### Say cheese

Showing spirit seniors Terrie Stearns and Shane May wore their brown and gold to earn points for their class during Spirit Week. Both Shane and Terrie were active in athletic programs since elementary school.

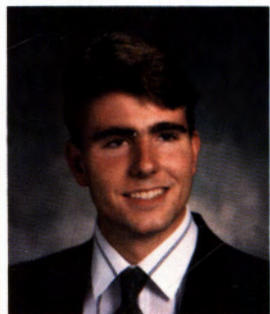


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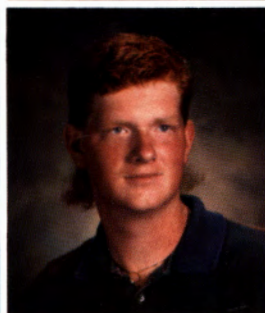




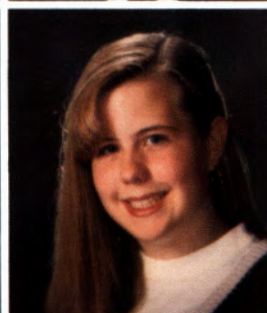
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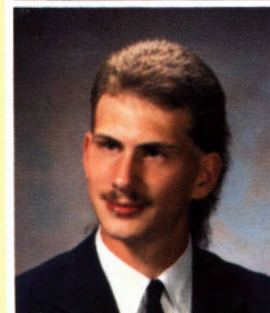
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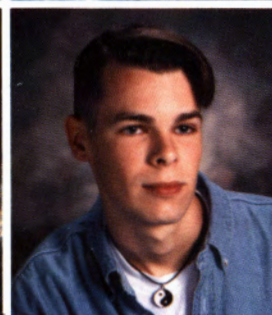
Guarding the senior hallway in the early morning hours before school on October 8, were seniors Christy Ries and Catie Rashid. Many seniors got to school early to make sure the hall was ready for judging and stayed late to tear it down.



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Brian Cole  
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Matthew Cook  
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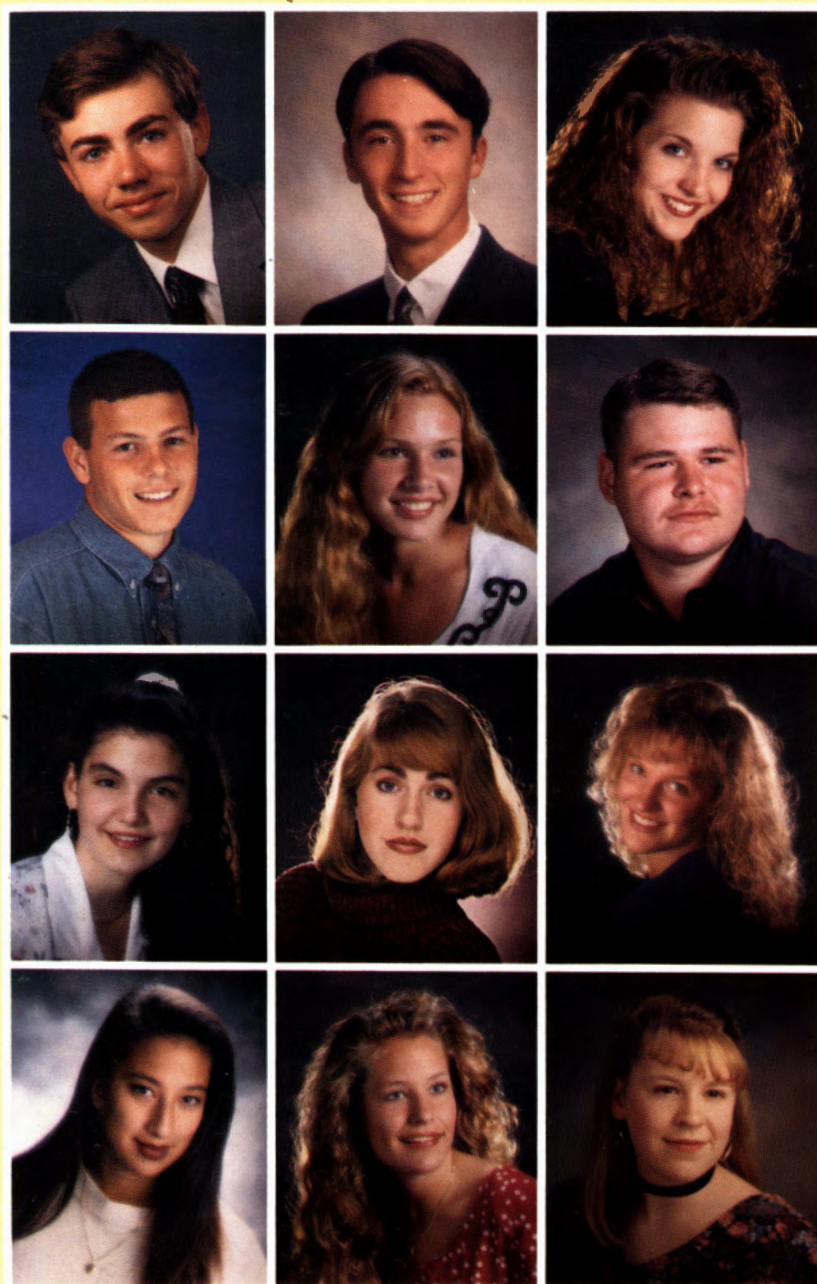
Humming a tune in fifth hour choir, senior Jim Coe shows his spirit on Brown and Gold Day with his painted face. During football season, Jim appeared as the Ram raising crowd spirit.



"Spirit Week was rad; I dug it to the max. I was feeling groovy that day, but my face itched a lot."

--Senior Jim Coe

# Senior spirit



meetings got more intense. Senior Mike Cook commented, "I could feel the energy building up as the week went on." By Thursday it was time to put the final touches on the float and for seniors to harass underclassmen.

The halls also needed decorating and everyone was pressed with the time limit. The senior hall, planned out to a tee, began to take form. By five-o'clock it was ready for judging. Teacher Dan Ernst told several of his classes, "The senior hall was definitely one of the very best ever, even better than the 'Welcome to the Jungle' hall a few years back." Winning first place helped make up for the fact that the senior float got a disappointing second place.

By Friday's, Theme Day, everyone was bouncing off the walls with excitement. The seniors in sheets and Halloween costumes taunted and haunted the little sophomore leprechauns and the ever-so-patriotic juniors. The count down to the pep assembly had begun as self control diminished with the takeover of spirit. Senior Brian McKouen teased, "The sophomores and juniors didn't even stand a chance. We tore their halls apart to show them that we meant business, and to give them a taste of what was to come at the assembly."

The usual taunting and chanting went on between the classes, the traditional games were played, but the skits were greatly missed. Senior Scott Smith said, "I really wish the skits would have been a part of the assembly, because they were always fun and besides, the seniors could have won another event".

After the pep assembly, the football players were definitely pumped, but then again, how could they not be? The entire Spirit Week was based around them.

--Angie Beckner



# Do it now or miss out forever

## Smilin' wide

Parading around in the back of Jennie Vanlerberghe's Chrysler convertible are senior Homecoming court members Mary Mutty and Ryan Travis. Many spectators from the community gathered to watch the festivities on October 8.

Photo by Katie Roessler

Lansing Community College or Michigan State? Albion or Alma? Central or Western? Choosing the right college was a major decision for most seniors, especially Jennie Vanlerberghe who was recruited to play basketball at several colleges. "I have been scouted by Davidson, San Diego, University of Delaware, the Naval Academy, Princeton, Yale and Cornell. I think I'll choose Davidson in North Carolina. When I visited, I really liked it, and I fit in with the people. They have a good pre-med program, AND they even do your laundry!" she revealed.

Other students knew exactly what their perfect college choice would be. "I want to go to Hope College because it has an excellent music education program. The first time I visited, I knew where everything was. I was like psychic for awhile. It was freaky!" exclaimed senior Diana Barga.

For others, the decision was helped by older brothers or sisters. "I want to go to Western Michigan University very much. I would get to see my brother all the time. I miss him a lot," revealed Tim Anderson. Senior Heather Stubig agreed, only this time about Central Michigan University. "My sister and brother-in-law are juniors at CMU. After visiting them, I found that it is the perfect college for me. It is small, away from home, and it has big dorm rooms!"

Many seniors decided to attend Lansing Community College for two years before going on to a four-year university. Among them, Jill Malm, has chosen to start the physical therapy program there before transferring to either Spring Arbor College or Northern Michigan University. "I have heard that starting out at L.C.C. is supposed to be easier than attending a four-year institution right off the bat," she explained.

Writing killer application essays, working overtime to bring up those GPA's, and filling out endless forms and papers were all a part of many seniors ultimate goal--acceptance at the 'perfect college'.

--Heather Watters

## Time out

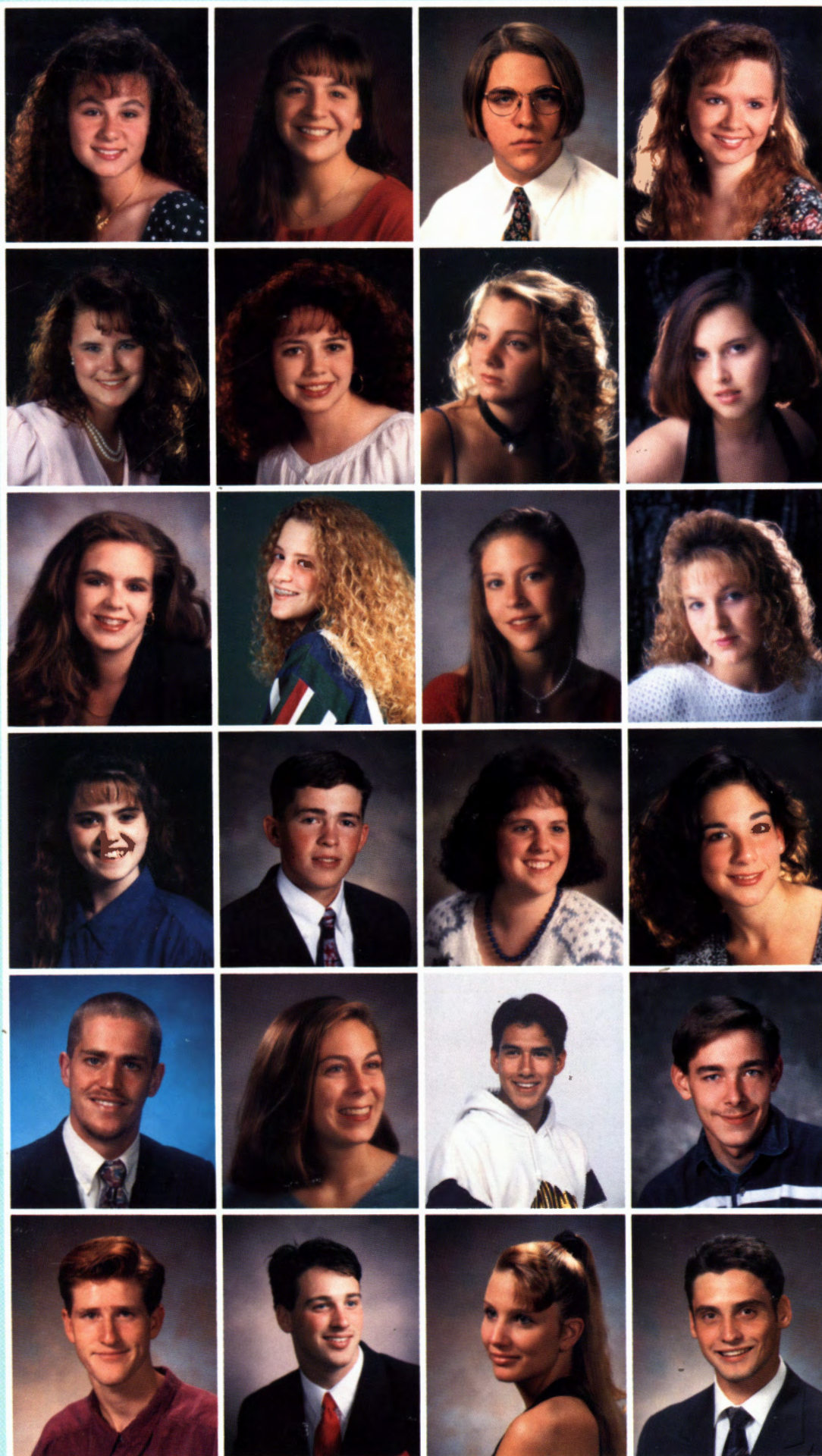
Sharing a laugh, senior Kelly Hayes converses with her good friend senior Heather Smith during passing time. Kelly planned to go to Bowling Green University in Ohio and Heather decided to stay closer to home and go to Lansing Community College.

I thought that applying to colleges was very time consuming. I almost missed a deadline because there was no one pushing me. I applied to LCC and then plan on transferring to the University of Massachusetts.

--Senior Mary Mutty







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# Living a different life

What did students have to look forward to in college? Well according to members of the Class of '94 there were few limits on the new experiences in store. They knew that in less than a year they would probably be wandering the campus of a strange college, or starting a new job. If that wasn't scary enough, then perhaps the fear of living on one's own for the first time came with it. For many seniors, it was the fear of freshman year all over again.

There were advantages and disadvantages to starting over. The most commonly expressed advantage was, "We are finally getting out of here," noted Kendra Hoffman, who planned to attend Michigan State University. One of the few disadvantages was expressed by Lee McRae who complained, "You can't mooch off your parents as much any more." Matt Lennox and Scott Smith both agreed that there weren't any disadvantages in going away to college. Scott who was undecided on a school said, "The biggest advantage was getting away from home and finding new friends in a new atmosphere. A bunch of little freedoms make up one big thing called college and that is what I'm looking forward to." Matt concluded, "There is not one single disadvantage that I can think of for going away to college." Matt was deciding between Michigan State and the University of Michigan, where he would like to compete in tennis.

Most students left for college with goals in mind, usually success, a higher grade point average than they achieved in high school, and making new friends. Josh Hogarth, who planned on attending Central Michigan University, felt "Playing football in college will help me to make new friends and feel more comfortable in a new setting." Josh's goals included carrying at least a 3.5 GPA throughout his college career.

Many other seniors followed the trend of reaching for a little more than they did in high school. Julie Corr shared, "I hope to do better in college so I can prove to myself that I have what it takes. I'd like to go to Western in the fall and am looking forward to meeting new friends."

Although it may seem like there was nothing to dread about leaving home, many seniors began to realize that they were also going to be leaving their cars! Catherine Rashid lamented, "I'll miss my cat, my waterbed, cable TV, and of course, Natalie! I don't know what I'll do without Natalie!" Natalie was Catie's candy apple red Pontiac Sunbird, which she was leaving behind for, at least, her freshman year.

Though it seemed overwhelming to some, the thought of living away from parents intrigued others. But the question crept up almost without notice. How do you live without them? They've usually been there for their kids, and now it was the kids turn to show their parents what they had learned. Many hoped that they could finally say, "Look mom and dad I did it!"

—Heather Watters

## Hats off to seniors

Letting their brown and gold bleed through are seniors Catie Rashid and Dave Milligan. Dave Kost tries to get in the action by posing for the camera in Mrs. Mooney's Pre-Calculus class.

## Forbidden chants

Intimidating underclassmen, seniors unite at the Homecoming pep assembly, winning the theme day participation and hall decorating competitions.

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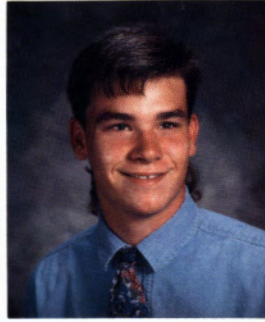
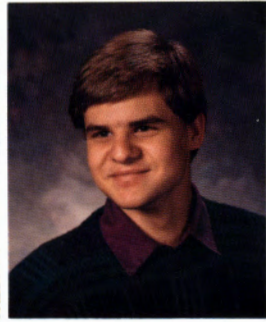


"Right now I am getting the basics out of the way. I'm anxious to get going, explore other options and be on my own. Teachers won't be there to tell me to get something done, but I am ready for the responsibility."

—Senior Jill Malm







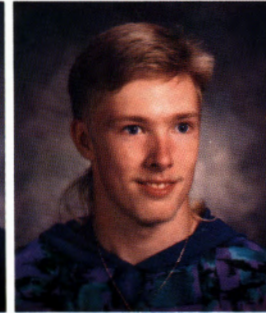
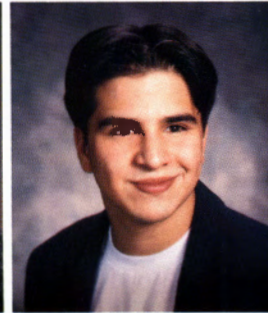
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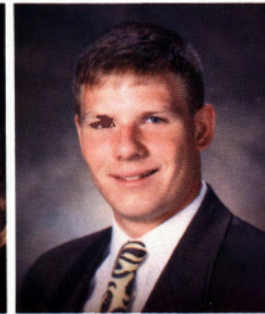
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Kendra Hoffman  
Joshua Hogarth



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Patricia Holey  
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## Long-time pals

Taking care of business in the attendance office are seniors Kathi McGroarty and Janet Maki. Seniors made sure they watched their absences so they wouldn't have to take second semester exams.

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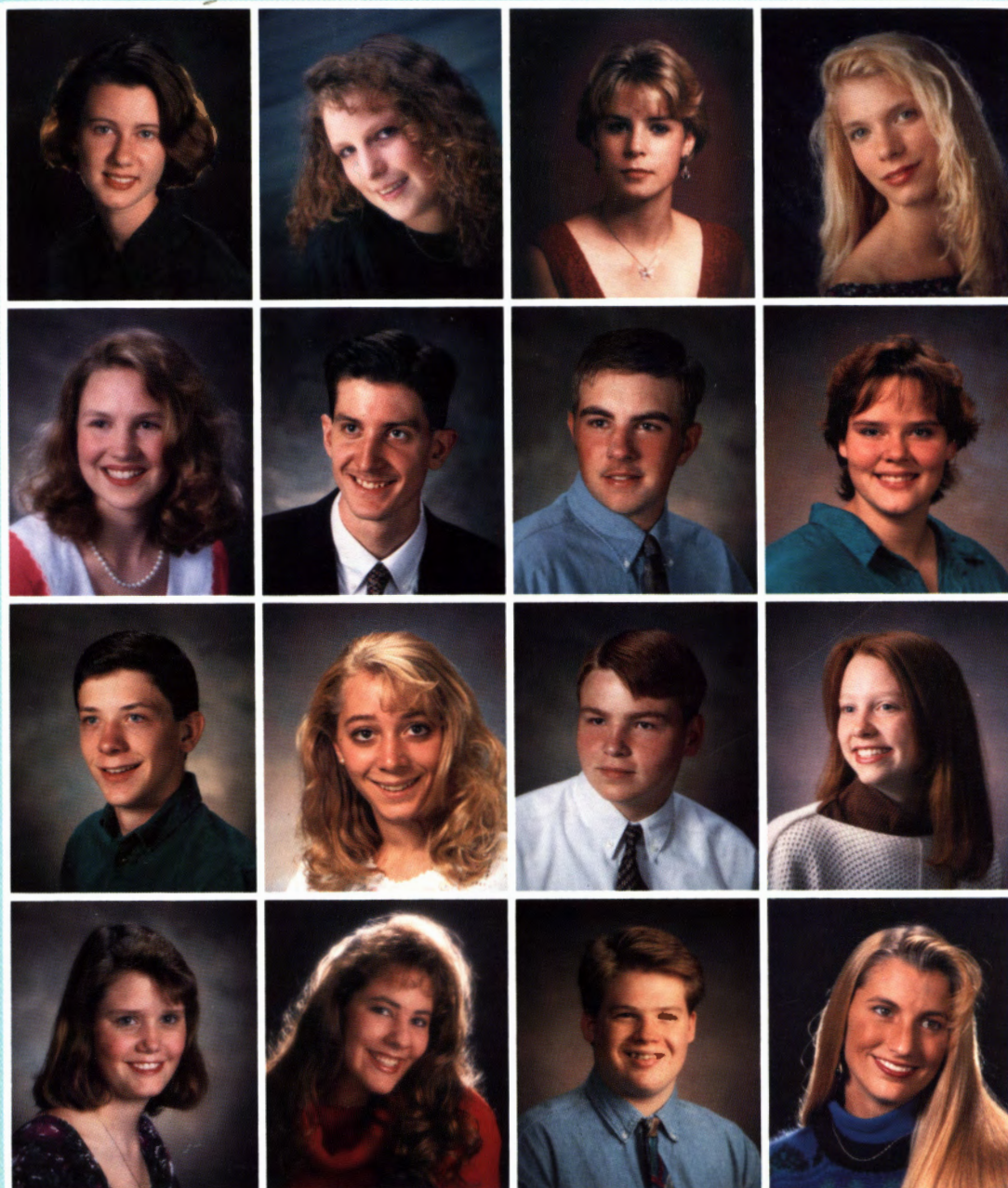


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Jamie Lawrence  
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Kerrie Lehnert





## Check it out!

Reliving memories with their 1993 yearbooks at the signing party are senior pals Lynne Gifford and Marina Katsiris. Marina noted, "Good friends also make great locker partners."



Marina and I have been friends since fifth grade. She can always cheer me up and get my mind off of upsetting things. She makes me laugh!

--Senior  
Lynne Gifford

# Living it up!



Looking down the hallway, they were everywhere. Everyone had one, or so it seemed. Comrade, amigo, trusty sidekick, whatever they were called, everyone had that special person they called best friend. For some they were confidantes. Senior Diana Bargey revealed, "Melissa Morehouse is my counselor. She helps me figure out my love life. I guess she is my 'serious' friend."

Other students considered fun the key point to a good, lasting friendship. "Jason Booker and I are similar in so many ways. He understands me better than others. But most of all, he can joke around with me. I always have fun when I'm with him," stated senior Tim Anderson.

Reminiscent of days gone by were seniors Missy Schopp and Diana Bargey. When they were young, Barbie dolls were all the rage. "We had almost 50 of them altogether, including a Ken with no legs. We played Barbies ALL DAY, EVERYDAY. It was so much fun!" exclaimed Missy.

Other friendships centered on travel. "About four years ago, my best friend Heather Watters and I took an 18 hour trip to Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina. We were so bored in the car, we made up this really stupid song and sang it the WHOLE way there. My parents were not too thrilled with us that entire week!" commented senior Heather Stubig.

Some friendships withstood the test of time. Senior Jill Malm recalled a special memory of her best friend, senior Amy Stevenson, from grade school. "Amy and I met in the third grade and were best friends. Then she suddenly moved away to Florida, where she lived for five years. Later we met up again in the Junior High School locker room. It was just like old times. Now we are still good friends."

Seniors agreed, those that had been around forever, the ones that were like a brother or sister, the ones that were there no matter what, through thick and thin, were the best of friends to the end, living it up for everything to come.

--Heather Watters



# Strike up the band

## On stage

Entertaining friends and fans at a Lansing club are Power Face members Jeff Canfield, Jeremy Kienitz, Scott Doerr and Steve Nygard. Behind the group on drums is Chris Doerr and Chris Emmereth on keyboards.

## Jammin' to the beat

Playing bass at a local club is Power Face band member senior Steve Nygard along with graduate Scott Doerr on guitar. Steve wrote a lot of the newer music the group performed.



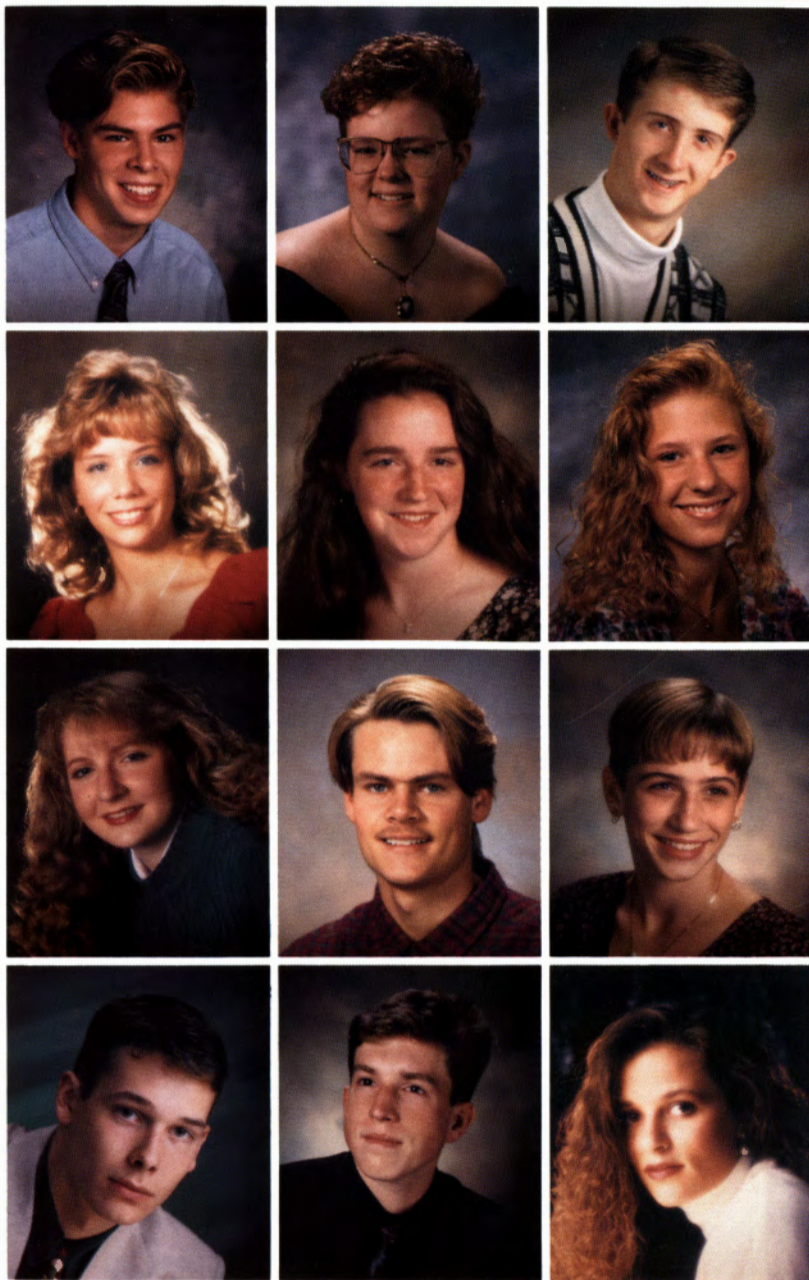
The seniors were louder than ever and two original Holt bands were raising cane. Headlined as "Lansing's hardest hitting band," Power Face and the up-and-coming Qwirk have opened up the scene for many Holt students.

Senior Steve Nygard, along with five other Holt graduates, Chris Doerr, Scott Doerr, Jeff Canfield, Chris Emmereth, and Jeremy Kienitz, combined their talents to form Power Face. The band began in August of 1992, and the group never dreamed of being this successful. They played at parties and hangouts, such as Lansing's IBEX. Soon their reputation grew around Mid-Michigan. They were the featured band at many nightclubs, such as East Lansing's Small Planet, and Sensations. "When we were the first band to play at Society we knew that this could be for real," explained bass guitarist Steve Nygard. This brought them to the ever popular, Battle of the Bands. Here they competed against other local bands such as Orange and Sinister Grin. They placed sixth out of approximately 30 bands. They recorded a demo in January and it was heard on 88.9 WDBM by many students. "I have seen Power Face play at many parties. It has been really cool to see them develop, though a little weird to hear people that I know on the radio," commented senior Melanie Berg.

The band Qwirk began July of 1993. It was founded by senior Robb Underhill and graduate Drew McDonald. The band was completed with the addition of senior Ryan Alderman and Miles Chamberlain of Everett. The band writes their own music as senior Robb Underhill explained, "People may say that we play alternative, but these days nearly everything is alternative! We have our own style. We write our own music and lyrics. This is important to us so that we can show our own views and feelings, not someone else's."

Power Face and Qwirk also played at several student events throughout the year. Parting ways with Power Face were Scott Doerr and Chris Emmereth while Rob Underhill joined them recently. "I hope Power Face goes far in the music industry and with Robb in the band now to give new musical ideas, we'll come up with better music that the record companies will, hopefully like," added Steve. In the meantime, it was fun to experience the good feeling of seeing friends and classmates enjoy some success as they struck up the band.

--Kerrie Lehnert

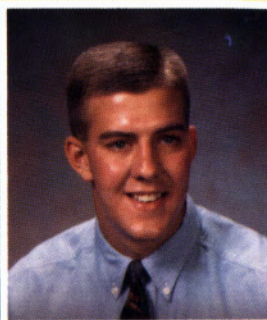
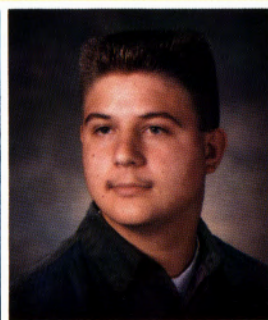




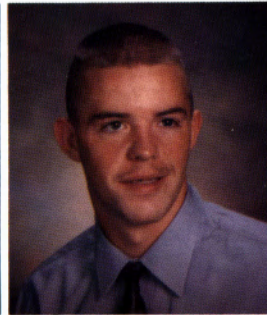
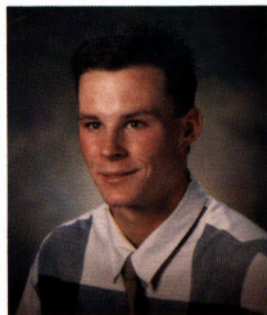


Music is my favorite thing in the world. I don't have to think about anything when I play. It just comes from an emotional level. Writing music is my own way of expressing feelings and it doesn't have to be directed to anyone... I will always be a musician and I hope to be able to do it as a career.

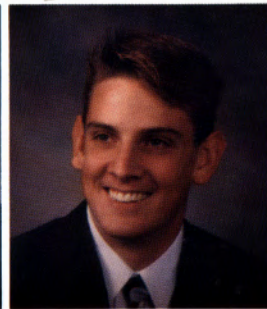
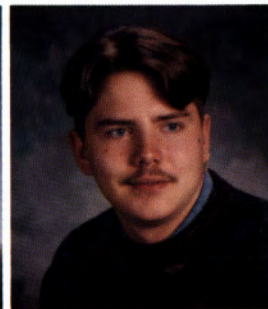
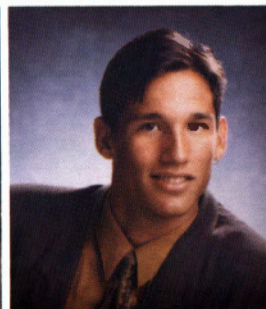
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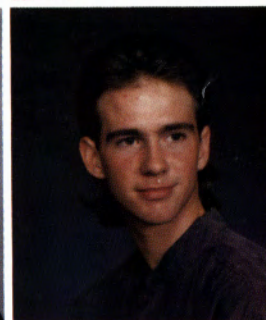
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## Hanging out

Demonstrating to junior Adrienne Lawrence the proper technique for playing pool is senior John Haidamous. The two dated during the year and enjoyed the local hangout, Games People Play.

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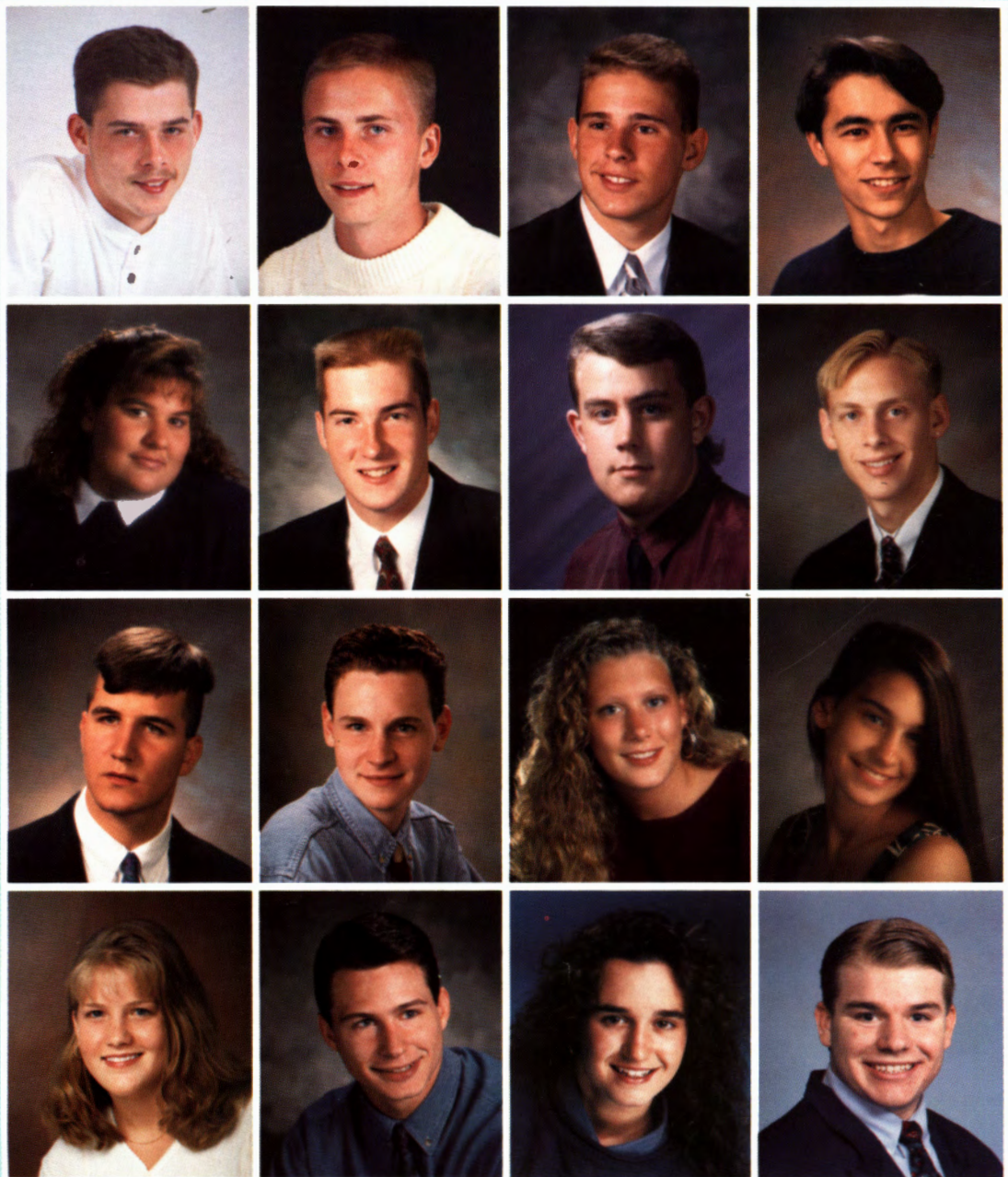


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## Break time

Steady lovmatch seniors Brian Hamilton and Angie Beckner make a quick stop by their locker between classes and reflect on their day.



"Angie and I hang-out mostly at my house because I have a lot of friends that come over. We play euchre and sometimes cook. One of our favorites is chicken stir fry."

--Senior  
Brian Hamilton

# Get a life!

Arcades, miniature golf, their best friends house, the malls, movies... Obviously school was not the hangout of choice, or a place to "live it up." When 2:35 p.m. rolled around, everyone grabbed their coats and headed for the nearest exit in the mad dash to freedom, and perhaps, a little craziness.

"Sometimes, when my friends and I get bored, we hop in the car and drive around in search of Lake Edna to eat K.F.C. We have never actually found it, but, we're getting sharp with identifying road kill," stated junior Nicki Wood.

When it came to transportation, cars with only five seats got crammed with eight or nine people leaving very little breathing space. Senior Laurie Bushnell confessed "We stuffed five people and a travel trunk in Tad Feland's VW bug and rear ended another car when the brakes went out. It scared me!"

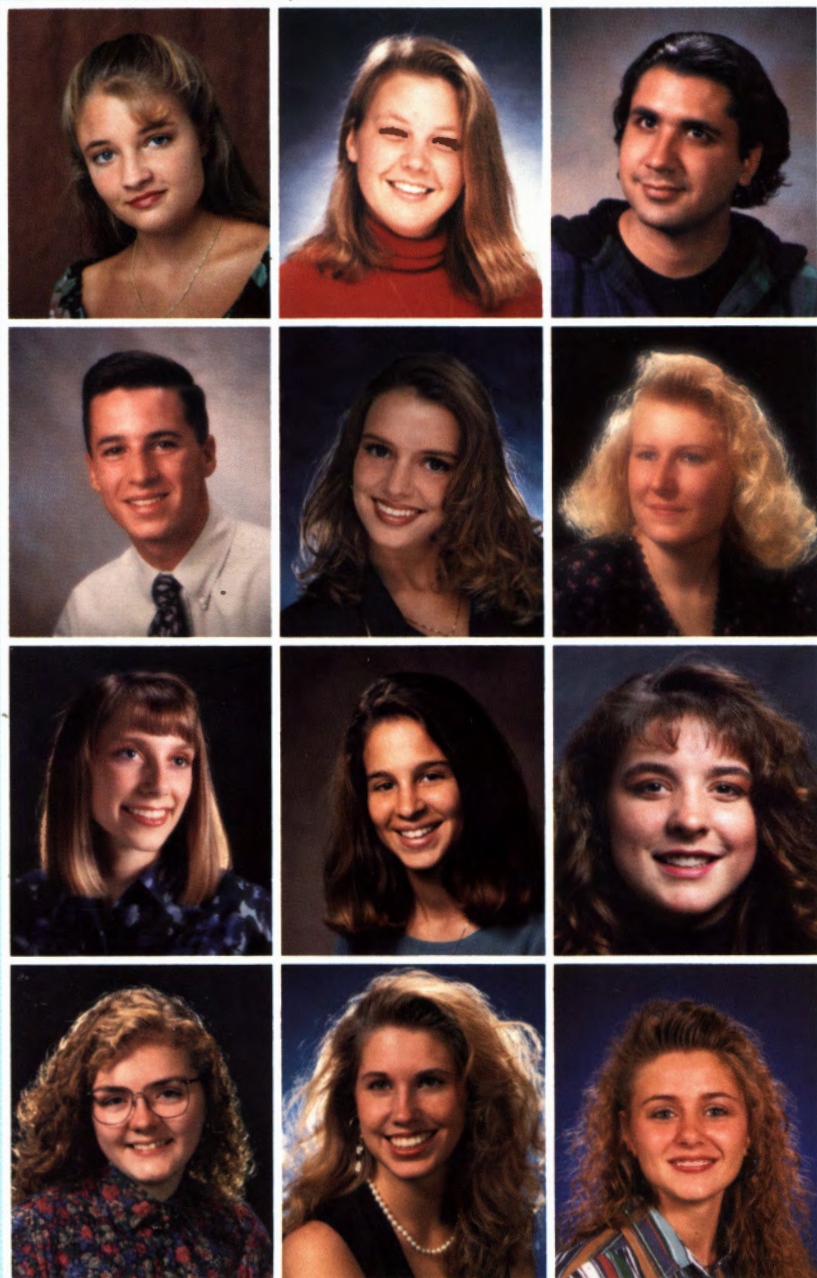
Other students turned to the local scene for their fun. Games People Play was one of the more popular hot spots. Video games, pool, or pinball, it didn't matter which they preferred, the arcade had them all. "I go to Games People Play with Kelly Skidmore. I beat her at pool all the time!" exclaimed junior Shoni Heistand.

Although Games People Play was popular, many more people simply went to their friends' houses, where there was always something to do or talk about. Senior Steve Nygard explained, "I hang out with friends because they either make me laugh or they're fun to pick on. There's no one else I want to be with that much."

Junior Katie Crispin enjoyed another place. She commented, "I like to go to the mall with my friends, not just because I like them, but because they buy me stuff." But there were preferences about which mall was the best. Senior Colleen Jennings reflected, "I like Briarwood Mall in Ann Arbor and, if I stay around here, I usually head to the Meridian Mall. Sometimes I'm stuck there more than I want to be because I have a job at Bath and Body Works."

Getting away from pressure was the basic motivation to hang out. Where they went and what they did when they got there was their choice. And, whatever it was, they always had the chance to "get a life!"

--Megan Ketchum





## *Steady* friend

Long time couple seniors Janie Allen and Brian Lund look at a magazine together in Advanced Publications class before the Homecoming Pep Assembly on October 8.

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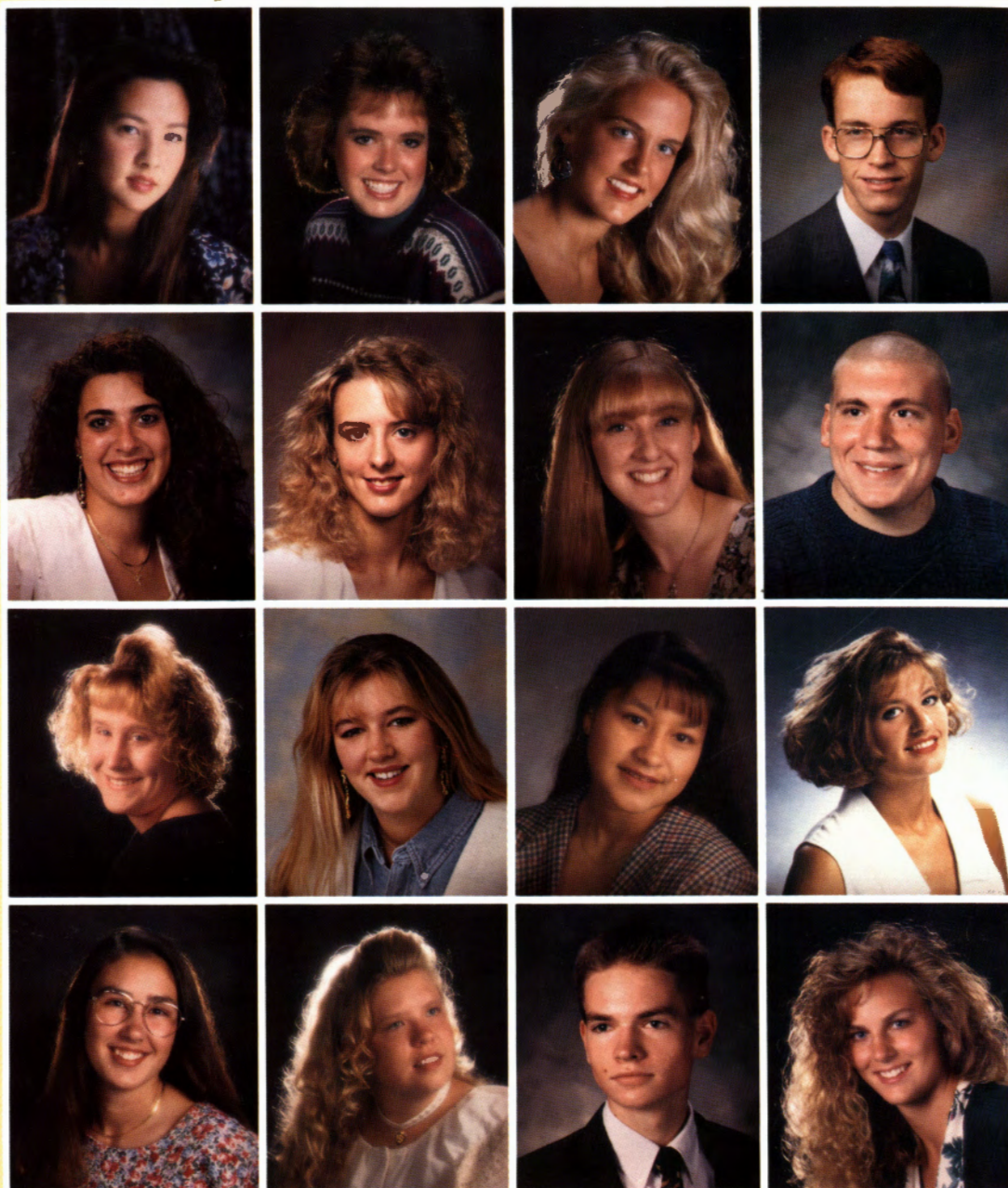


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Julie St. Onge  
Matthew Stacy  
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## Hangin' around

Discussing plans for the day during second hour passing time are seniors Brandi Dewitt and Shane Morehouse. The couple had been dating since their freshman year.



Sara Kratzer and I were on a double date with two guys from Waverly. We were supposed to see the Rocky Horror Picture show. They pulled up to movie theatre and Sara and I got out to check on movie prices. When we went back to the car, one of the guys asked us what time they should be back! We couldn't believe it! They were going to just drop us off! Sara and I got into the car, slammed door and demanded they take us home!"

--Senior Kelly Larsen

## On the edge of your seat!

You are all alone with the guy or girl of your dreams. The mood is just right and everything seems to be perfect, but all you can think about is what will happen next. Suddenly it happens . . . your worst dating disaster.

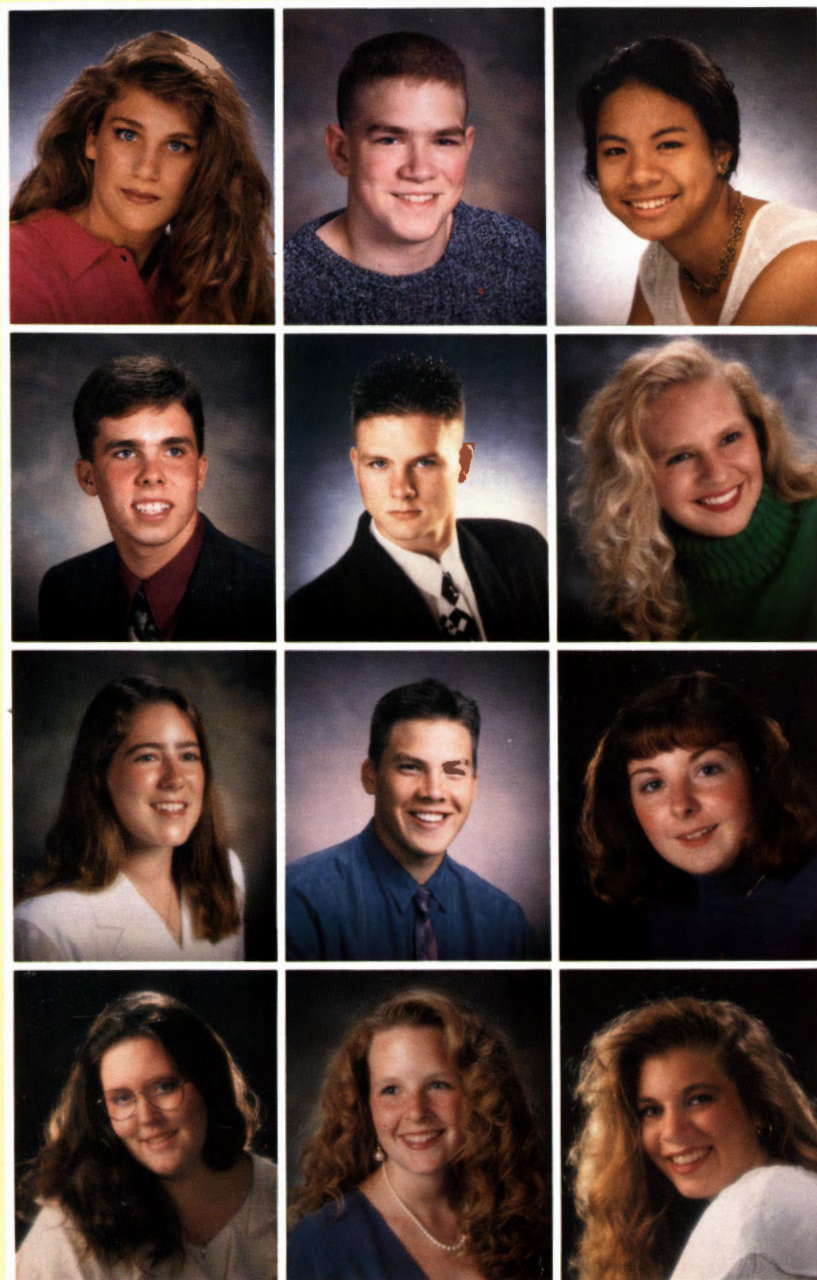
A bad date seemed to happen when it was least expected. Going out with a boyfriend or girlfriend and a trusted friend is usually a safe situation, but sometimes it can back fire. "I was out with my boyfriend and my best friend came with us. We went to a park where my boyfriend and I always went. When we got there we decided that the three of us would play hide and seek. But while I was hiding, my boyfriend and my best friend were playing their own game!" exclaimed senior Kerrie Lehnert.

Sometimes a dating disaster affects not only the people involved, but also those around them. "My worst date was when a guy asked me to go to a wedding with him. We were sitting in the pews comfortably talking about how weird it was that we did not know anyone there. When the bride and the groom started to walk down the aisle we immediately realized that we were at the wrong wedding. We had to get up and interrupt the wedding and get our card from out of the card box," revealed senior Shanda Cochran.

When a bad date occurred, some people were able to make the best of the situation. "I thought that I was going to a movie with a guy. Actually, I guess we did go to the movie together. He paid for both of our tickets and bought some popcorn for us. We watched about five minutes of the movie and everything seemed to be going fine except he said that he would be right back. He left, and never returned. It was a good movie so I decided to just stay and finish watching it. At the end of the movie I walked out thinking that I would call my mom for a ride home, and then, there he was in his car, sleeping!" exclaimed senior Teresa Reynolds.

No matter how many romantic disasters people experienced, they usually did not give up hope on dating. The hope was that everyone can learn from their bad experiences and avoid making the same mistakes with other dates.

--Christie Ries





The **picture** I wanted to put in the **year-book**, my parents **didn't like**. The picture my **parents** wanted, I didn't like. We **fought** over it for **two weeks**. Finally we ended up choosing a **totally different** picture."

--Senior *Ryan Travis*



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Amy Younglove



### *Seniors Not Pictured*

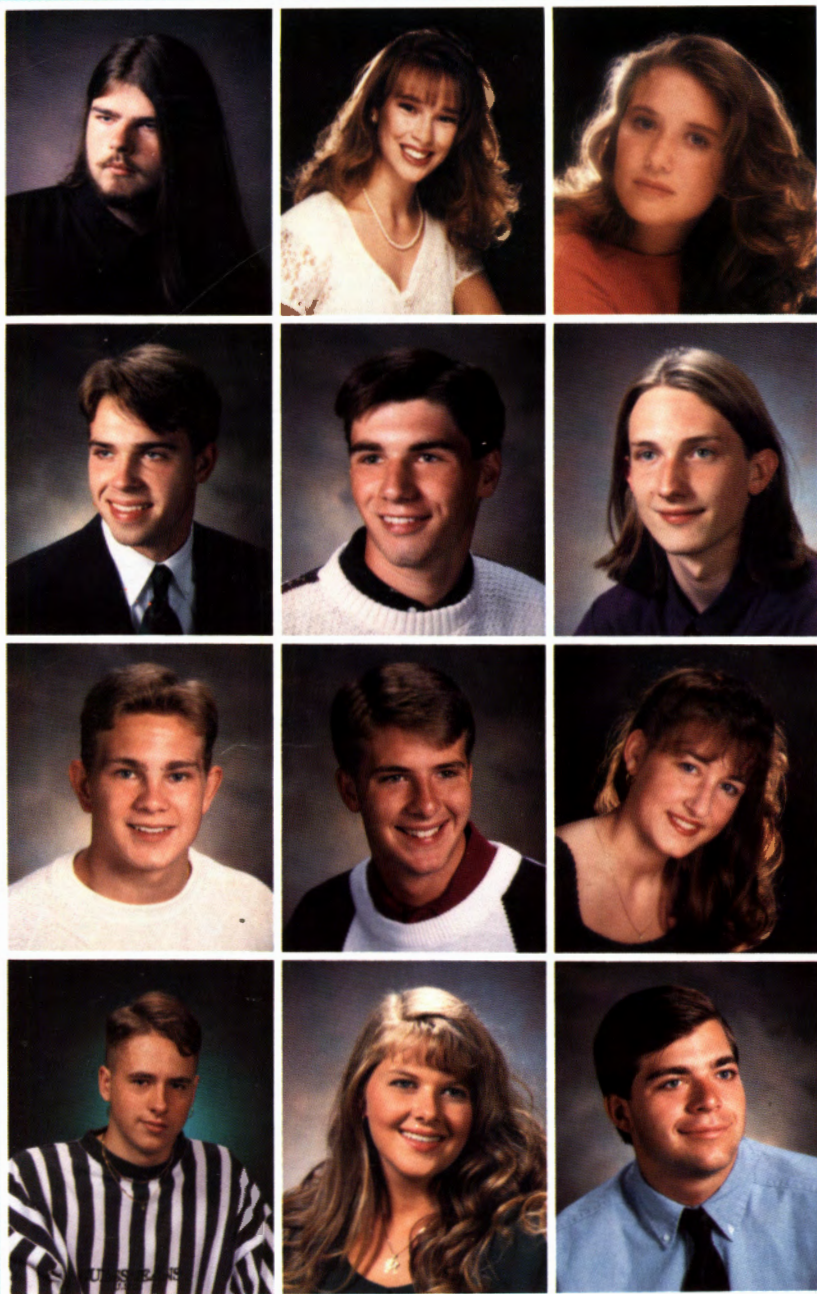
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Zachary Birchmeier  
Cathy Buchanan  
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Lisa Doane

Misty Finkbeiner  
Aristotle Ford  
Linus Freire  
Bill Gilmore  
James Gleason  
Justin Godbehere  
Modesta Illemszky



"My photographer sent the worst picture of me to the school by accident to go in the yearbook. When I asked them to send another, they said they would, but it didn't get here until three months later! I was really mad and asked the adviser almost every-day if it had arrived. I must have drove her up the wall."

--Senior Heather Miner



David Keeler  
Phillip Kyer  
Brent Nolan  
Espen Parmann  
Andrew Pocklington  
Mark Roberts  
Bryan Sedlar

Melissa Stevens  
Andrea Voss  
Roger Wiley  
Xaylez Yang  
Sara Yarger

## On the edge of insanity

Exciting! Stressful! Disastrous! Senior pictures proved to be all of these. The class of 94 had been anxiously awaiting the time when they'd get their senior pictures taken since freshman year. But along with the excitement came many decisions and unexpected situations.

With so many places to go, one of the hardest decisions to make was which photographer to select. "I went to Cook Photography because it was close to home, and all of the pictures I'd seen from there looked good," stated senior Terrie Stearns.

Another tough decision to make was what to wear. Many people wore up to five different outfits. "I only made my appointment one week in advance. That week was so hectic. I couldn't decide what three outfits to wear. So, I ended up wearing five!" exclaimed senior Amy Stevenson.

Embarrassing situations were also part of the experience. "I was sitting in a wicker chair, all nice and pretty, ready for the picture. As soon as the photographer stepped over to it, the chair collapsed. I felt so stupid! I ended up sitting on a box instead. I had to wait 10 minutes though because my face was so red," revealed senior Teresa Reynolds.

Finally, the proofs came back and decisions had to be made on the poses. A major factor that made it more difficult was they all looked good!

"The picture I wanted to put in the yearbook my parents hated. The picture my parents wanted, I hated. We fought over it for two weeks. Finally, we ended up choosing a totally different picture," related senior Ryan Travis.

No matter what studio one ended up at or what happened, senior pictures would not be soon forgotten.

--Senior Laurie Nugent



## 2ue pasa?

Finding out what's new senior Kristin Duncan talks with graduate Niki Felton while they pick up their yearbooks at the distribution and signing party. Kristin enjoyed spending time hanging out with her boyfriend graduate Heath Fuller.

Photo by Matt Kelly



# Hangin' in there

What was the big deal? What was in East Lansing that made more than half the student body want to hang out there? Senior Shane Morehouse answered, "My friends live out there and I like to be with them. We just sit around or go to parties." Senior Kelly Stiles commented, "People go to East Lansing because the atmosphere is so cool. Also, many people know students from other schools and they get along well."

But there were other things that attracted students to East Lansing. Some seniors reported they liked going to Pin Ball Pete's, because of their addiction to video games, while others preferred Pockets. "My boyfriend and I like going to Pockets to play pool. We always have competitions to see who is better," shared senior Kim Lawrence.

The trip to East Lansing, however, wasn't the only answer for a place to hang out. Senior Brian Cole commented, "I usually hang out near Dimondale with my friends. Besides, I don't always have gas to get out to East Lansing." Other seniors agreed, like Joe Royston. "My friends and I love to sit down to a good, clean, competitive game of monopoly or yatzee." Other seniors like Scott Smith liked a little more action. He and his friends liked going to the YMCA to practice up on their Micheal Jordan moves.

Even though hanging out was often students best subject, finding the ideal hangout was tough. A few students found them in their dreams or on television. For junior Becky Paterick, it was, "A restaurant where you could just relax and talk with friends; where they wouldn't mind it you just sat there and didn't order anything, like the Peach Pit in "90210" or the Max in "Saved by the Bell."

-Shane May

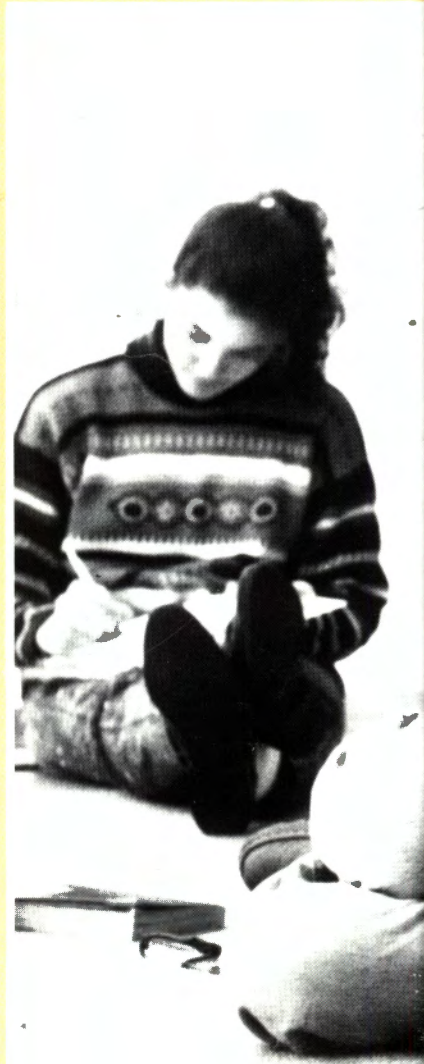


"Sometimes the **only** thing to do is **hangout** at the **arcade** and play video **games**. I like **Mortal Kom-bat**; I always win."

--Senior  
**Tim Anderson**  
at Games People Play

## Catchin' some rays

Working diligently on an assignment in the new D-Wing commons area are seniors LeeAnn Hunter and Michelle DeRose.

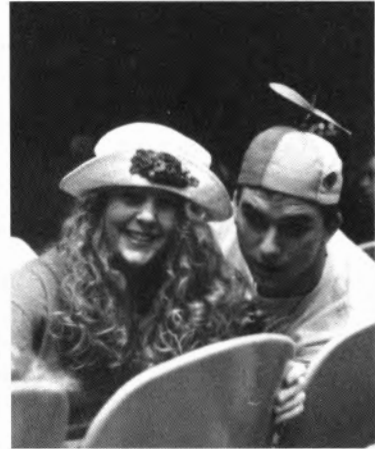
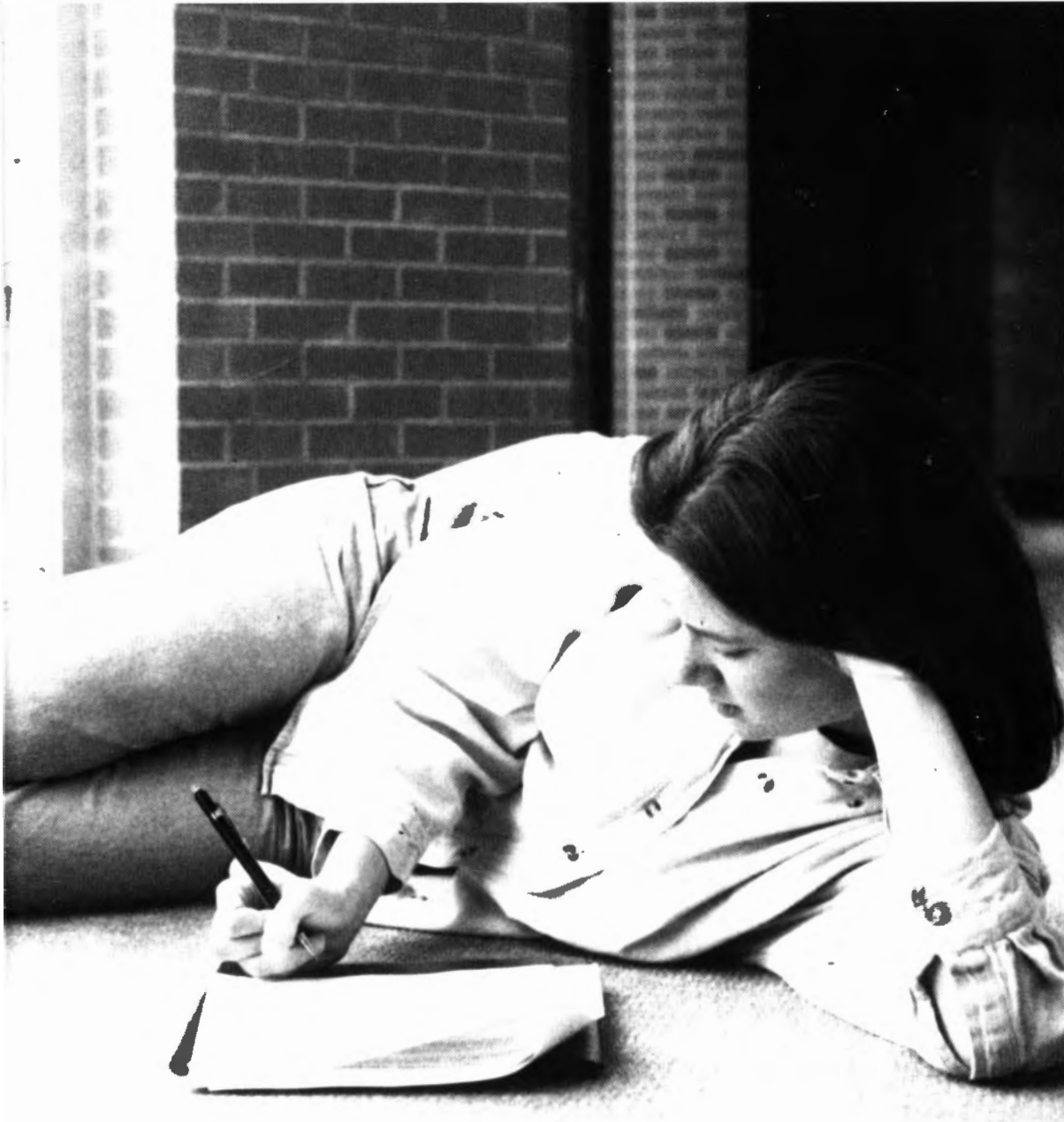






## *Vikings* beware

Sitting atop the second place senior float is Amy Decker. Playing the part of the "wicked witch" for class spirit was a deed Amy did gladly.



## *Give me that!*

Senior Kym Loomis playfully grapples for an old photo with junior Robert Chapin, as seniors Nichole Saxton, Vanessa Thomas and graduate Dawn Monroe look through stacks of excess yearbook pictures. The yearbook dance gave students the opportunity to socialize with old friends.

## *Sassy!*

Donning their most original hats for Spirit Week are seniors Amy Stevenson and Jim Coe. Seniors who did not have to retake the MEAP test attended an assembly to discuss senior pictures, graduation, and cap and gown options.



# 'Holed' On!

## Express Individuality

## with Body Piercing

To many students, body piercing as a fashion statement was weird, but for the few who dared, it was a whole lot more. It was a way to be

unique and rebel from the ordinary trends. In

addition to multiple ear lobe piercing, the less popular body parts to be punctured included the nose, bellybutton, and nails.

Doug Craft commented, "I think body piercing is a rather revolting

expression of the way a person feels." Other students felt the same way. "I think it's alien. No normal person would pierce their nose or anything besides their earlobe," commented Andrea Cook.

Although some students did not approve of the new

craze, there were others who felt the fad was fine. Junior Julie Kent remarked, "I guess it's okay. It's a person's choice, a freedom of expression." Cami Crawford agreed, "It looks like it hurts, but it's their body, so they should be able to do what they want without being made fun of. They're just expressing themselves."

Some kids thought that body piercing went right along with the new 'Seattle grunge look', a remnant of the late 1960's flower children and the '70's lumberjack look. Kim Ballard stated, "I think body piercing is very grungy. I like it because it's different. My friend Maureen Gregg has her nose pierced and it really sets off her grunge look."

For those who found personal meaning in body piercing, the ornamentation made a dramatic statement. "I have a nose ring and I used to have

my bellybutton pierced. I also have eight earrings in my left ear and four in my right ear. I did it all for decoration," explained senior Julie Hunt. Junior Jenny Eaton admitted, "I got my bellybutton pierced just to be different and to have something for myself that hardly anyone else had. Now a few more people have dared, but I'll be mad if everyone starts doing it." Senior Laurie Bushnell stated, "I got my nose pierced to be different and I will keep it in until I get bored with it. I think more people want to get parts of their bodies pierced, but won't because they will feel like followers."

People have been decorating their bodies since the beginning of time and many ancient cultures viewed body piercing as a sign of beauty. So in reality, today's new fad is nothing new.

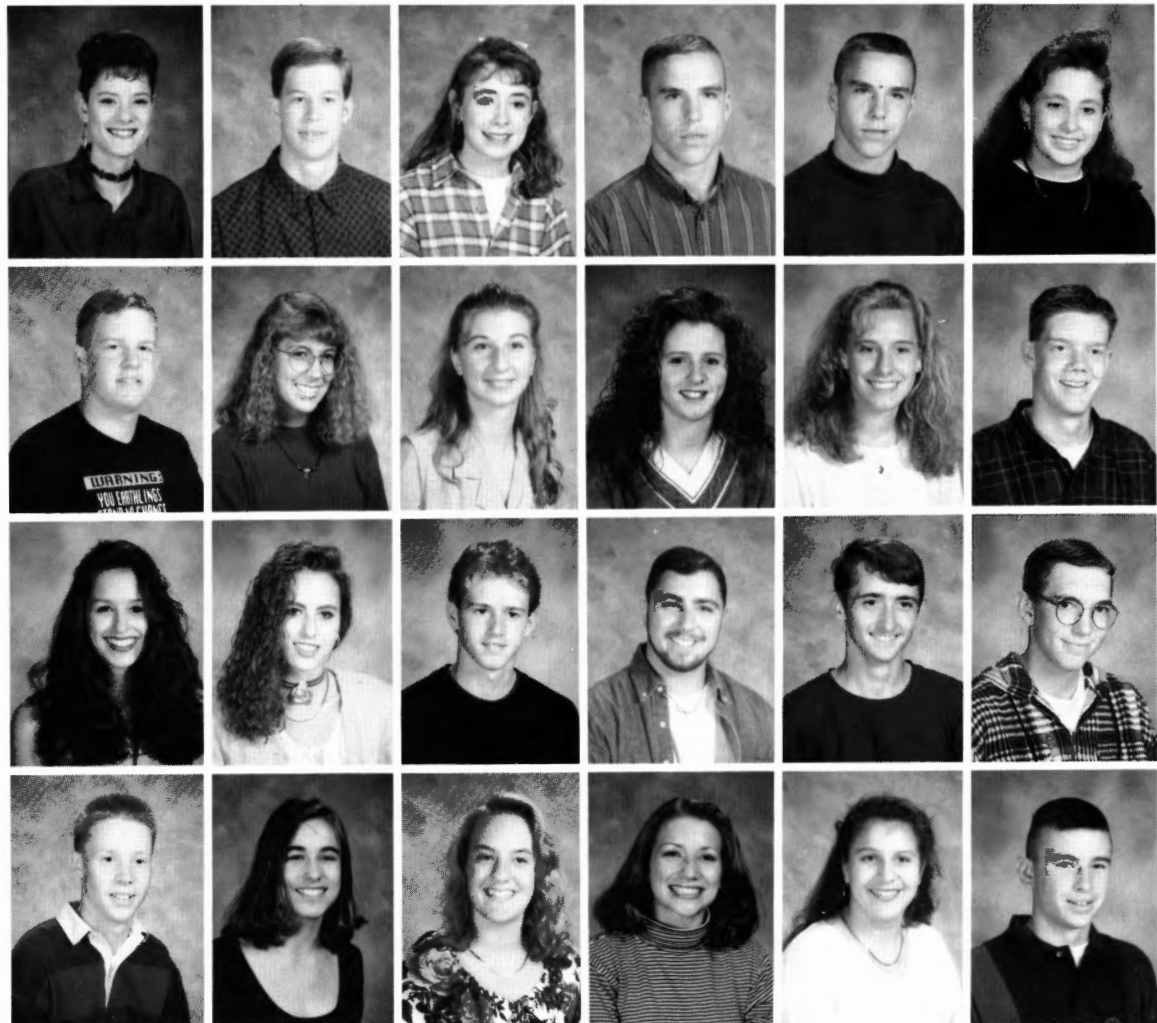
--Maureen Gregg

Rheanna Abbott  
Kurt Ahlgrim  
DaNeil Alexander  
Aaron Allen  
Clinton Allen  
Christina Anderson

Robert Anthony  
Kristen Araoz  
Nina Armstrong  
Christy Baisel  
Cathleen Baker  
Benjamin Bakken

Kimberlee Ballard  
Andrea Barker  
Shawn Barnes  
Jason Bedford  
Matthew Berry  
Jeremy Bilow

Jason Blackie  
Christine Boersema  
Kirstin Boss  
Jada Bowden  
Lisa Boyer  
Ryan Brookes







### Multiple Piercing

"I always wanted to get my nose pierced since I first saw someone with it done. I had my belly button pierced also, but I later removed it," explained junior Jenny Eaton.



### A different kind of taste

"I always knew I wanted to get my tongue pierced. I was going to wait until I was 18, but I had it done sooner. I've been working at Splash of Color since January 1994."



Adam Brown  
Dylan Brown  
Keegan Brown  
Jason Brundage  
Brian Buck  
Jason Buckner

Wendy Buxton  
Melinda Cady  
Amanda Calvert  
Bradley Cass  
Elizabeth Castello  
Robert Chapin

Cameron Chappell  
Kaye Charles  
Michelle Clark  
Pamela Clark  
Aaron Colby  
Carrie Cole

Jeremy Cole  
Andrea Cook  
Eric Corey  
Jill Corey  
Christine Coscarelli  
Alicia Cottom



# Glance Ahead

Juniors looked up to them. They were admired for their style, individuality and spirit. They possessed an air of confidence that let everyone know

they ruled the school. They were seniors.

## Juniors Take

Over and over, juniors heard, 'It's a senior thing.' Whether it was working on Homecoming or just going out on a Saturday night to Rock'n' Bowl, many

seniors often made things a party. "The class has come

together in the last year and surprised a lot of people," observed junior John Ehnis.

Juniors were envious of seniors enjoying the last year of high school. For many of them, the pressures of junior year weighed heavy. They had to deal with current survival,

while seniors seemed to have it easy. They're carefree, having fun and being young," revealed junior Trystin Kleiman.

Students often looked back on high school as the best time of their life. "Seniors clung to each other like they were a family about to go their separate ways," described Senior Class sponsor Georganne Withey.

In response, juniors were competitive and determined to create their own image that would outshine the seniors when their time came. "I think we are a little less cliquey," observed junior Allison Wood. "We've been close from the beginning and it's taken the seniors longer to get it together," added junior Becky Paterick.

What exactly set the seniors apart? According to many juniors, attitude was

everything. "They were always talking about senior pride," noted junior Ken Root. "Take the flag football game for instance," added Mrs. Withey. "They were out to win and carry on the senior tradition."

But to some juniors, senior 'attitude' wasn't always appreciated. "Seniors tended to socialize only with their own class and snub the underclassmen," noticed Dave Pratt. "In one word, they're vocal. They're not afraid to say what's on their minds," stated junior Jill Cory.

Building spirit and getting class participation was the challenge. Seniors did have some advantages and confidence seemed to come with the territory. All that many juniors felt they needed was one more year under their belt, because simply, it was a senior thing.

--Andrea Cook

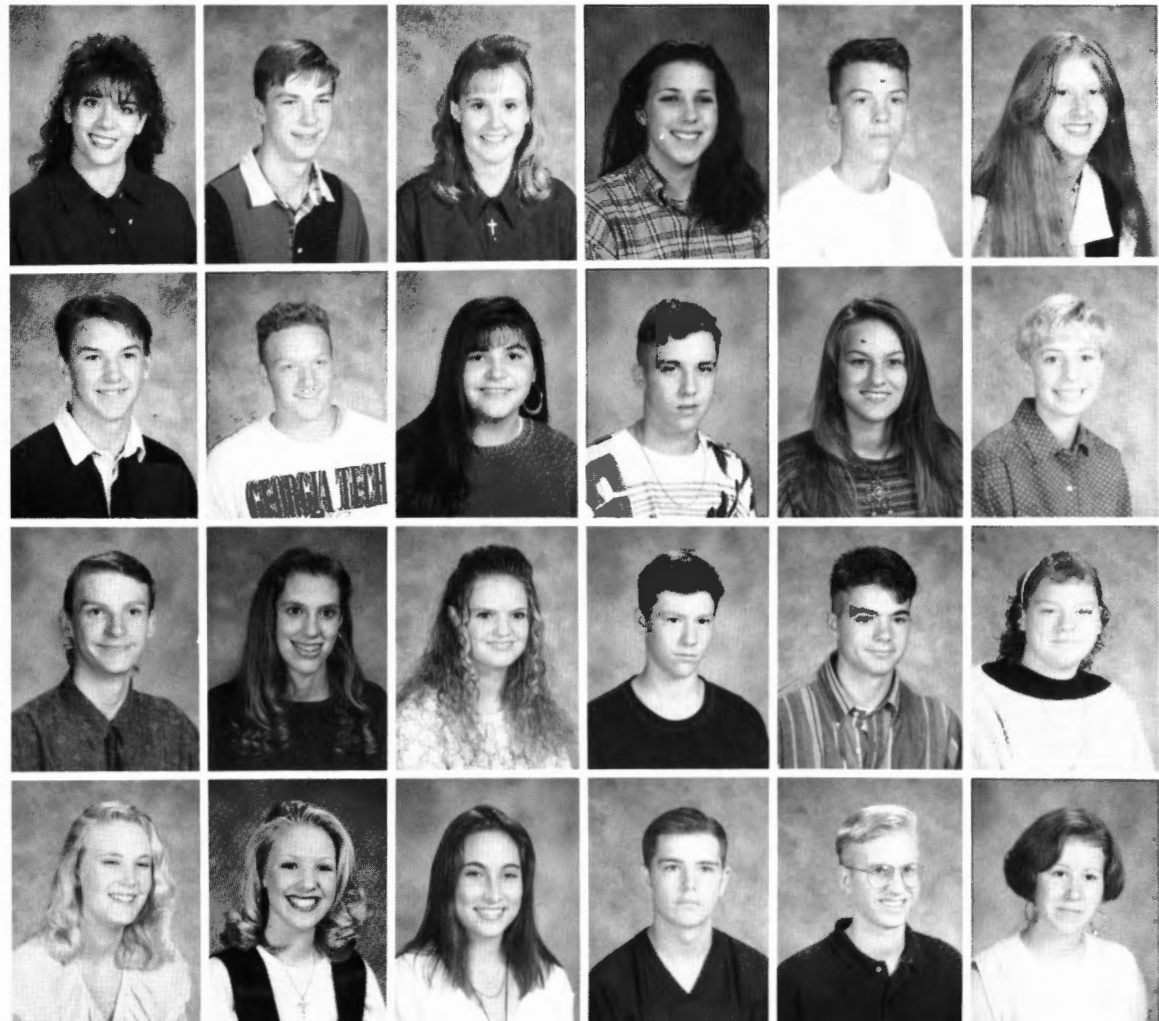
## Stock of Seniors

Melissa Courter  
Douglas Craft  
Sandra Craig  
Camela Crawford  
Zakariah Cribbis  
Katherine Crispin

Gary Crum  
Brian Current  
Lisa Curtis  
Gus Dahlgren  
Nicole Davids  
Nicole Deetz

Daniel Dexter  
Dana Dillon  
Karriann Dingwell  
Davin Dixon  
Eric Drake  
Jennifer Dreyse

Amy Drown  
Bridget Dunn  
Jennifer Eaton  
Johnnie Ebright  
John Ehnis  
Christina Eisenzimmer





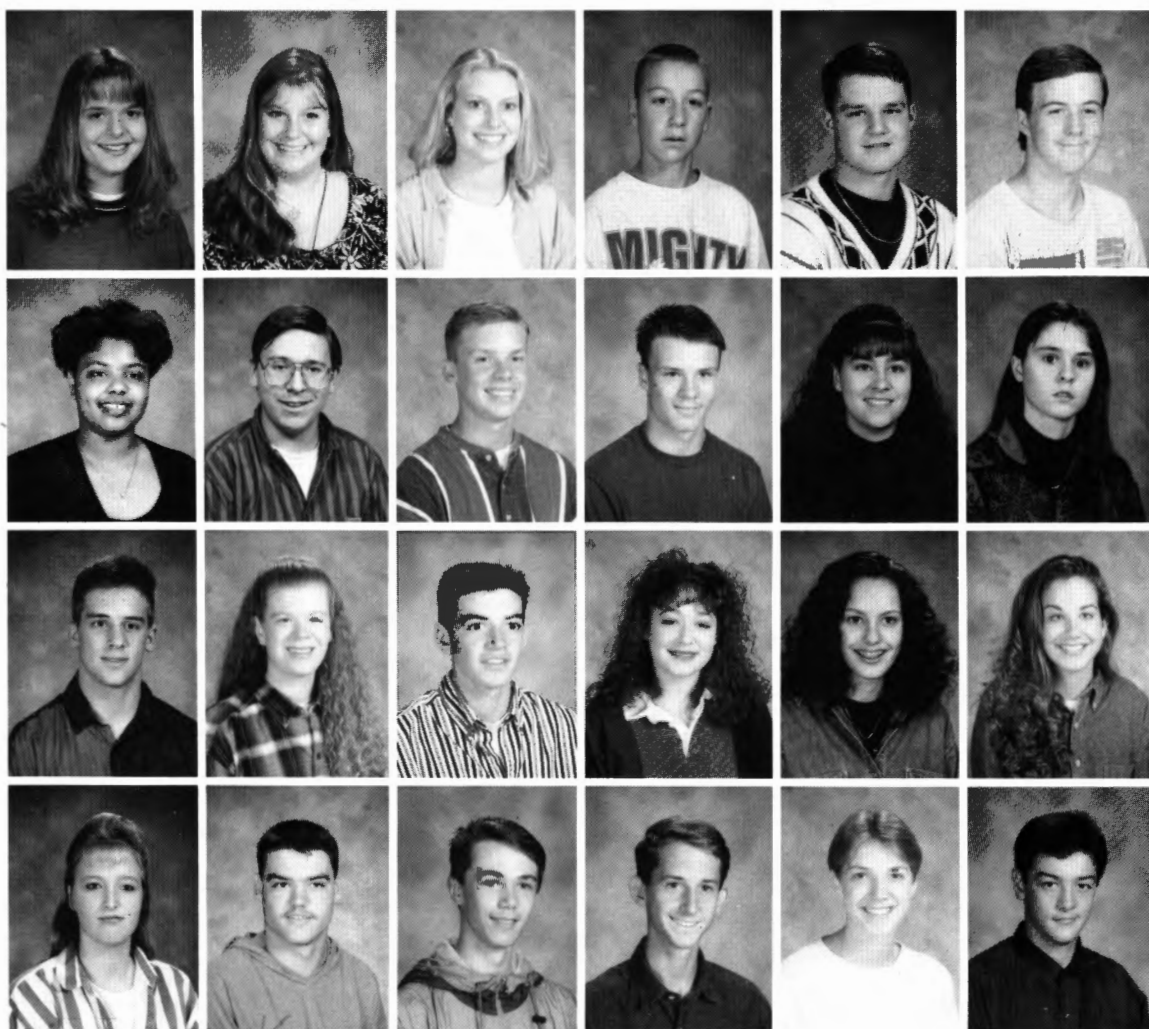


## Hard at Work

As junior Jamie Utter takes a break, senior Jenny Cohoon is hard at work on a drawing in Mrs. Anderson's class. "I will miss the seniors when they're gone. Some had a lot going for them and I liked hanging out with them," commented Jamie.

## Diligently Working

Creating a masterpiece in Constructions class is senior Jeremy Loman with junior Brad Goodenough observing his sculpting technique.



Jamie Elliott  
Lisa Ellis  
Sarah Entenman  
Michael Feldpausch  
Richard D. Ferman  
Jason Fish

Chereese Ford  
Michael Forgrave  
Casey Fourman  
David Fowler  
Michelle Frankenberger  
Angela Franklin

Troy Frayer  
Mary Fudge  
Chad Fulk  
Jennifer Garcia  
Yvonne Gibbs  
Laura Gifford

Jennifer Gill  
Lawrence Gilson  
Thomas Gingery  
Brian Gleason  
Megan Gnass  
Shane Goddard



## Hanging Out

With custodians Ernie Snyder and Ron Conners is senior Dustin Gould. Getting at mechanicals became tougher after carpet was installed in hallways.

## No Food Here No Food There

Taking a breather in the newly renovated attendance office is junior Nicole Wood. Due to the renovations, students were no longer allowed to eat outside the cafeteria.

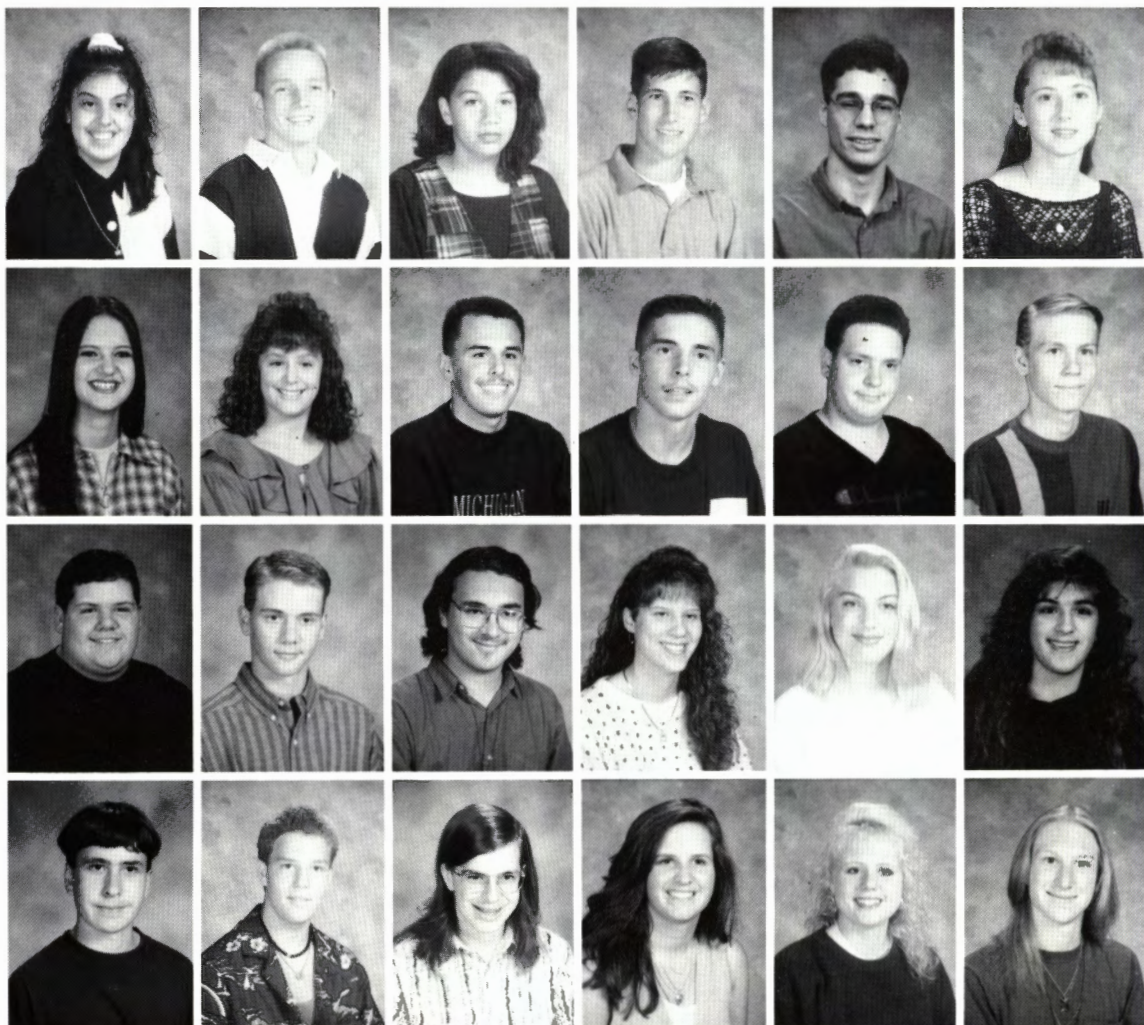


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Adrienne Graham  
Ryan Grant  
Damon Greene  
Jill Greenman

Maureen Gregg  
Terri Guerrero  
Michael Hadley  
Cory Hammond  
Arthur Hancock Jr.  
Curtis Hargrove

Ted Harrison  
Kevin Havens  
Anthony Hays  
Shoni Heistand  
Danah Henriksen  
Kelli Heppinstall

Jeremy Hill  
Kristopher Hill  
Brian Hines  
Nicole Hoagland  
Jeri Hofbauer  
Timothy Hoffman





# No Food Dude!

With the exception of the obvious no smoking law, there were no new additions to the school's 'Bible of Behavior.' However, one traditional no-no has become, as Assistant Principal Brian Templin put it, "highlighted" this year, and that is NO FOOD IN THE BUILDING!

The cause for the rise in paranoia is the preservation of the school's new carpet. Some 'establishment-hating' kids with cans of Coke in their hands and stains on their minds could seriously ruin the floor covering. Math Teacher Marty Schnepf said, "Strict enforcement of the rule is a way to make sure things stay nice. If we could trust kids to be responsible..." His voice trailed off, and then he continued. "But there's too many people. We will always have a group who won't do what they should." Mr. Templin, how-

ever, was optimistic. "Most of the student body is reasonable. Kids need to take a little pride so everyone can enjoy."

The question asked by some people was whether installing carpet was the right choice and worth the maintenance hassles to come. Betty Bollinger, one of the school's tireless soldiers against the grime of youth, said, "Economically, it's much better. With the old tile, the floors had to be stripped, sealed and waxed once a year, not to mention buffed twice a week. Waxing alone used to take a \$540 bite out of the school's budget. With only five people on the custodial staff, that is quite a job. Much easier is the vacuuming and shampooing of these evenings."

There were other advantages Mr. Templin reported, "It's a good sound-deadener. You barely hear people. Also,

it's aesthetically pleasing." Other positive observations were made. Mr. Schnepf claimed, "The carpet makes kids seem more calm." But the kids had mixed reactions to the fibered addition. Senior Ryan

Alderman commented, "I really dislike the carpet pattern they put in the lobby, especially those big triangles."

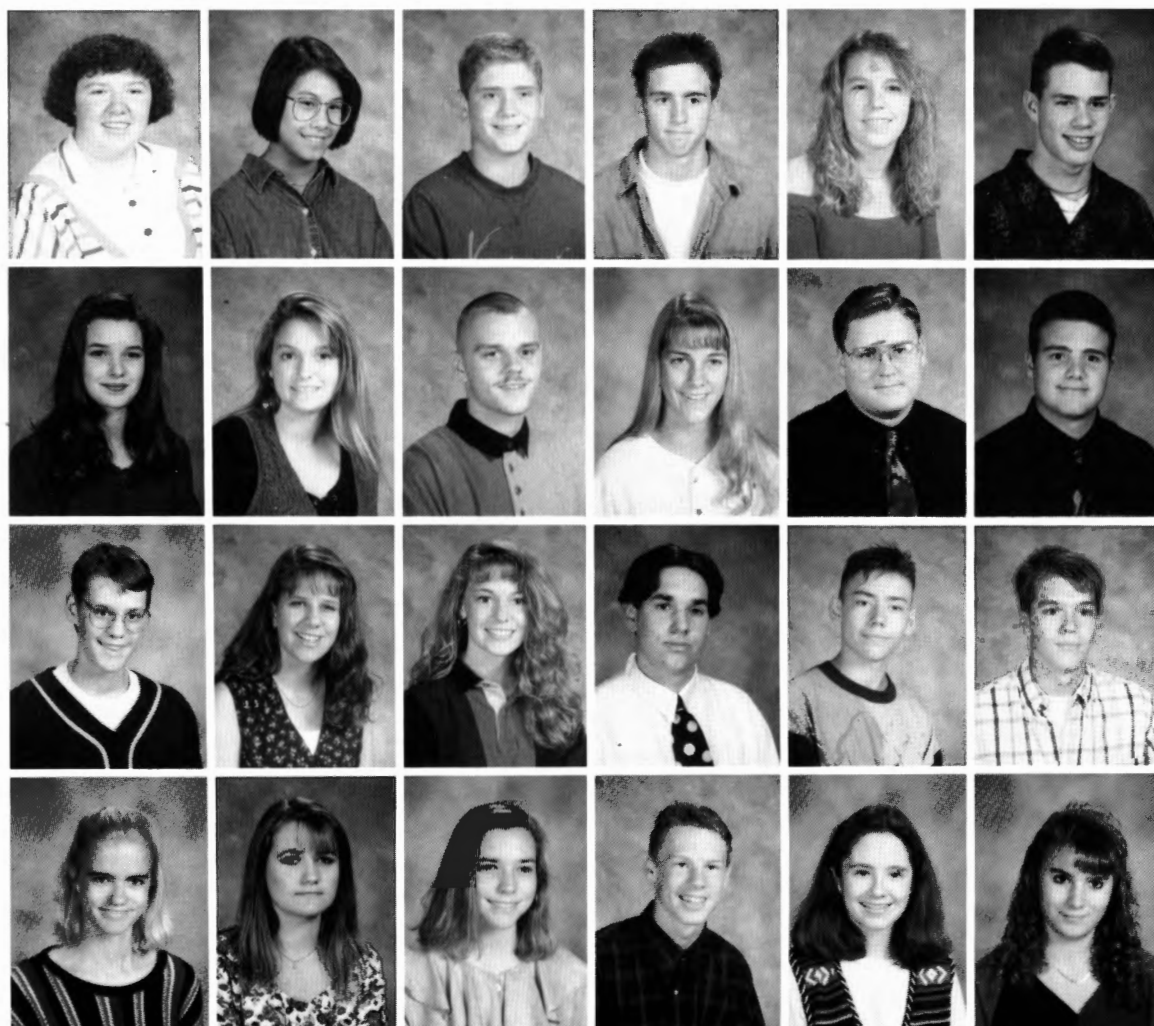
On the flip side, Shoni Heistand noted, "It's very 'rain-bowistic', but it's going to get dirty in the winter."

All opinions aside, the staff desperately wanted to protect the new carpet. Therefore, everyone was to keep their food as far away from it as possible.

--Zach Birchmeier

## Carpet Protected

## from Grime of Youth



Trisha Hoggard  
Melissa Homan  
Gary Horstman  
Todd Hovey  
Jessica Hulsebos  
Scott Hultberg

Sherah Huston  
Rachel Iott  
Mark Jacquart  
Melissa Janes  
David Janetzke  
Kyle Janetzke

Jason Janson  
Tabitha Jenkins  
Meriah Johnson  
Robert Keller  
Ryan Kelly  
Terry Kenny

Julie Kent  
Megan Ketchum  
Jamie Keyser  
Joel Kilgore  
Monika Kinney  
Halina Kirkham



# Snapping Back

Students limping through hallways announced the time of year. Yes, it was time for football and basketball. It was also time for tendonitis, shin

## *Injuries Turn Winning*

splints, shoulder separations, pulled groins, and the ever popular, sprained ankle. Injuries were as much a part of fall as early dusk and blushing maples.

## *into Surviving!*

"The most common type of injuries are ankle sprains and strains," reported Alfison Leonhard the school trainer. "These types of injuries keep an athlete out of action for one to five weeks, and that is a long time for a serious athlete." Varsity Basketball player Jennie Vanlerberghe who strained her ankle during the

season revealed, "It was hard not being able to play, but I just looked on the bright side, and my team helped keep my spirit up." It was often difficult to get over an injury mentally. Varsity Football player Dylan Brown also strained his ankle this fall. Dylan said "I was very timid when I came back to play. I didn't want to get hurt again. However, by the end of the game it was the last thing on my mind."

For minor injuries the trainer offered the following guidelines for treatment: RICE. The acronym was an easy way to remember rest, ice, compression, and elevation. However, there were many things one could do to prevent injury. Assistant Varsity Football Coach Jack Rarick had a philosophy that he followed to keep his team

healthy. One was a weight lifting program to strengthen muscles in the offseason. Then before any intense activity stretching was mandatory. Rarick said, "Stretching is very important. It gets the blood flowing into the joints. But nothing can prevent the freak accidents."

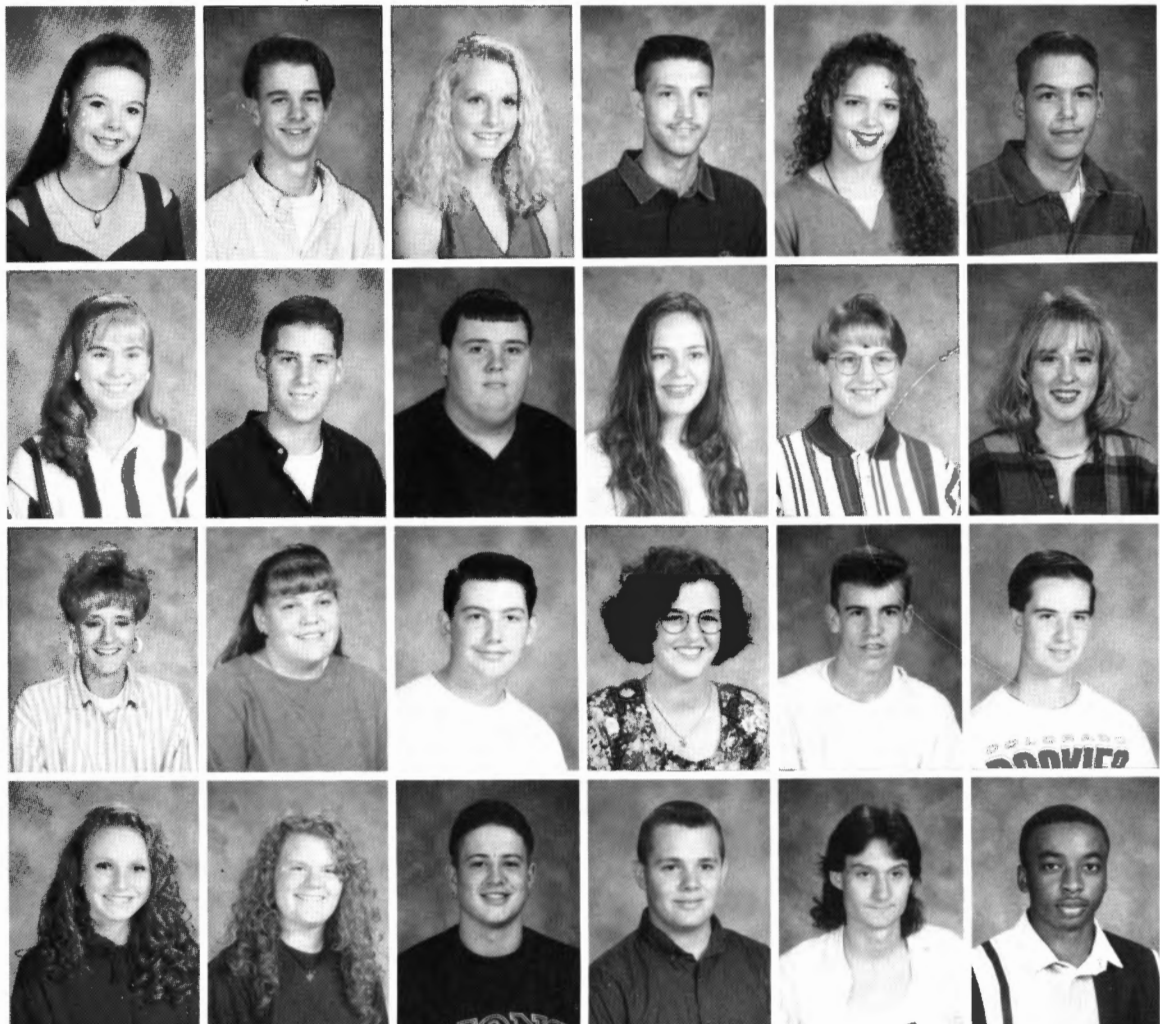
Torn knee ligaments happened at any time and almost nothing could be done to prevent them. On the brighter side though, technology provided the means for doctors to correct such problems. The most common type of repair currently being used on knee and ligament injuries was arthroscopic surgery. This technique has revolutionized sports medicine. Doctors use a small camera, contained in a tube, and insert it into the knee to locate the damaged area. Then, they can repair

Jennifer Kitchen  
Tim Kitching  
Trystin Kleiman  
James Kocher  
Lisa Koelzer  
Branson Kowalk

Michelle Krause  
Phillip Kreiger  
Matthew Landfair  
Melissa Larnier  
Colleen Laroue  
Adrienne Lawrence

Heather Lemke  
Tamara Lindberg  
Richard Lockhart  
Calista Lodge  
Michael Looney  
Kevin Loudon

Chantel Lovejoy  
Mindy Lowery  
Michael Luce  
David MacPhee  
Shawn Malkin  
Charles Mangum





the knee, while viewing it on the screen, with as little cutting as possible. Often, this type of surgery was paired with aggressive rehabilitation which decreased the time a player sat on the sidelines.

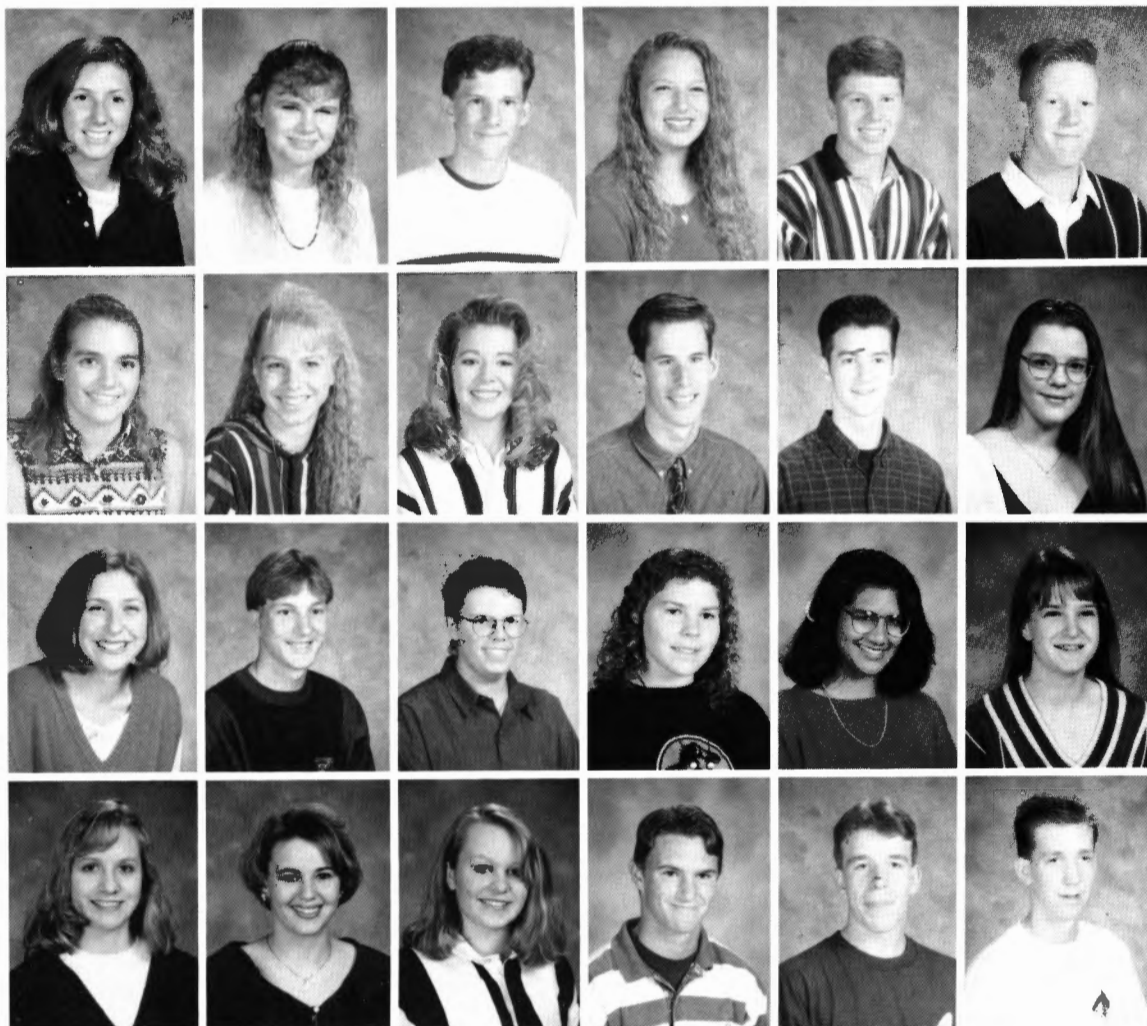
One thing that many athletes didn't anticipate was the amount of time it took to heal. Modern medicine has learned that it is not healthy to play hurt. Often, it has long term side effects that last for the rest of an athlete's life. Joe Namath was an example of one such athlete. For years he played on knees that were not fully healed. Now on good days he can walk without too much pain. With more education, athletes learned that winning for the injured athlete was not the most important part of the game, surviving was.

--Mike Cook



**Casualty of Season**  
Struggling on crutches with a knee injury from football is senior Joe Schutte. "Hurting my knee kept me from playing, but if I get to wrestle, it will erase all my pain," admitted Joe.

**Crutching Along**  
Taking advantage of a five minute grace period sophomore Christina Rens prepares for her next class.



Sarah Mann  
Tina Mann  
Scott Mantyla  
Sarah Martin  
Andrew Mayes  
Daniel Mayes

Tracy McArthur  
Jessica McDonald  
Sarah McLellan  
Brian McWilliams  
Brett Miller  
Kelly Miller

Nicole Miller  
Robert Miller  
Thomas Miller Jr.  
Heather Milligan  
Saleha Mohamedulla  
Shanna Morden

Hollie Morse  
Shannon Morse  
Carilyn Moubay  
John Mulvaney  
Joshua Murgittroyd  
Daryl Myers



## Friends Till The End...

Working as library aides at the circulation desk are senior best friends Modesta Illemsky and Andrea Shaw.



## What's Up?

Hanging out at a friend's house are juniors Eric Corey and Joe Vartanian. The two friends agreed, "It was the best year ever!"



Sara Nauta  
Anthony Neumann  
Adam Newberry  
Laura Nunheimer  
John Nyboer  
Karen Olsen

Aaron Owen  
Eспен Parman  
Tera Parry  
Christy Parsons  
Rebekah Paterick  
Napoleon Penfield

Melissa Peterson  
Erin Petrie  
Brandy Pierson  
Brian Powe  
Darnell Powers  
David Pratt

Michael Ramsey  
Christopher Ranes  
Stacie Ranney  
Shannon Reed  
Jessica Reich  
Aaron Reif





# Friend or Foe?

They called you more when you got your license. And they always managed to talk you out of doing your homework. They had a great impact on every aspect of your life. Some dictated your style of dress and even your favorite candy bar. Many helped you to be yourself and influenced you in positive ways, while others could take you into a downward spiral. They were friends and without them life wasn't the same.

Junior Lisa Ellis claimed, "If I had no friends, I'd become a couch potato and continuously watch reruns of the Arsenio Hall Show. I'd be the nerd of all nerds and my clothes would never match. I depend on my friends to tell me what goes together." "My friends are people who have a good sense of humor and who

are honest with me," added junior Lisa Boyer.

The pairs had a long life together in some instances. Some had been friends since grade school. "I've known my friends since elementary school," Lisa Curtis revealed. "They have had a great influence on my life."

There were, however, times when friends influenced one to do things that were regretted later. Whether it was a seemingly harmless prank or a federal offense, teens still lived and learned from their mistakes. "You always want to follow your friends because you think they're usually right. Sometimes they aren't, but you do it just because they are your friends. Now that I'm older, I realize that some of the things I did were really stupid," revealed junior Jessica Reich.

"When I was little, my friend, would encourage me to write in people's wet cement and tear up their yards," added Aaron Allen.

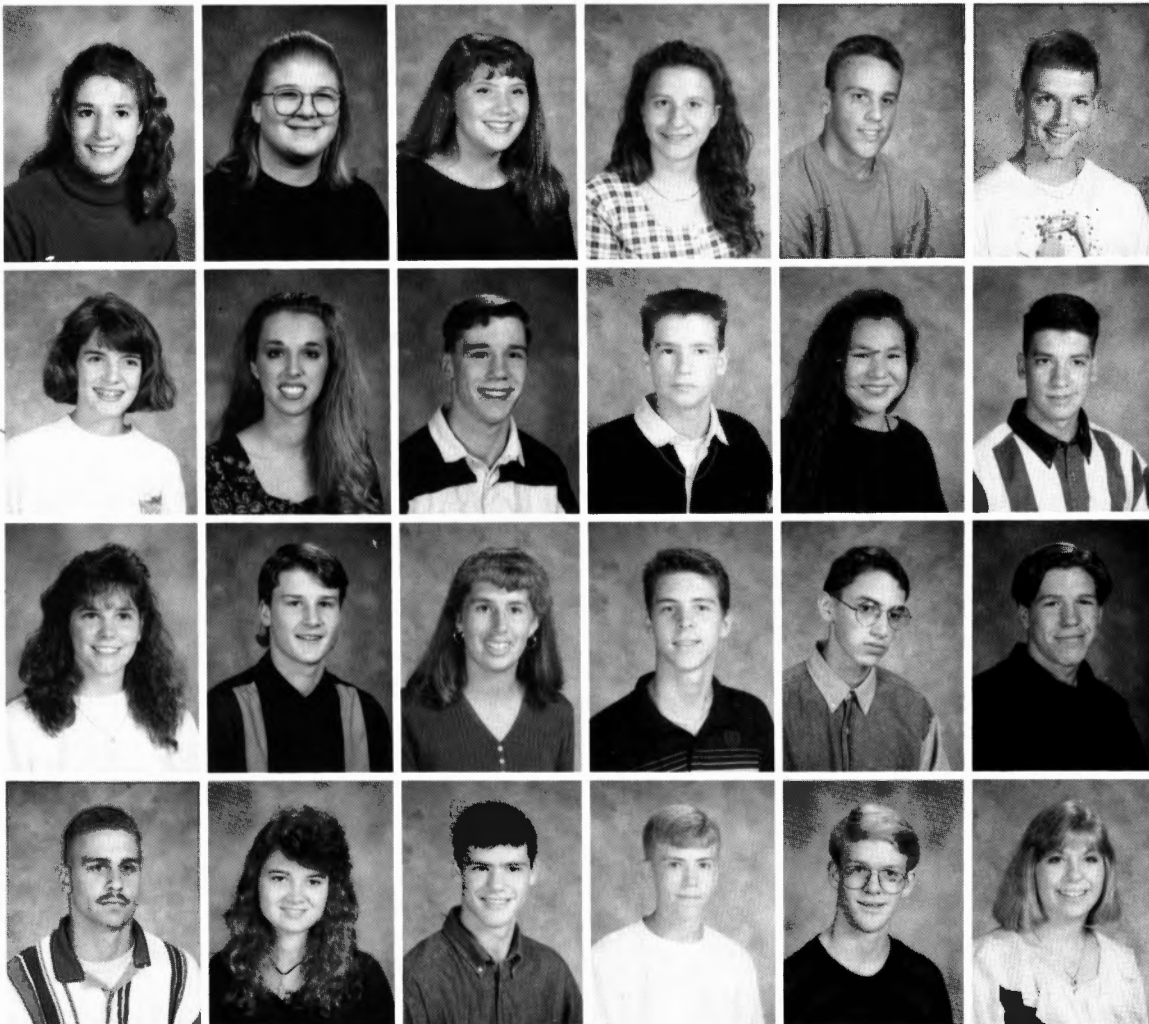
Others depended on their friends to help them distinguish right from wrong, "If I do something my friends know is wrong or they don't approve of it, they usually tell me and I don't do it again," stated junior Kari Reynolds.

Whether friend or foe, amid laughter or tears, good times or not so good, most friends remained at our sides and played the loyal side-kick.

--Andrea Barker,  
Katie Roessler

## Replacing Positive for

## Negative Influences



Shanna Rennirt  
Christina Rens  
Kari Reynolds  
Sandra Richardson  
David Ried  
Jacob Robbins

Kristen Robins  
Heather Robinson  
Kenneth Root II  
Bryan Roy  
Jamie Roy  
Michael Rutherford

Shelly Schmitt  
John Schopp  
Amanda Schram  
Timothy Schram  
Jamin Schroeder  
Eric Schuette

Jeffrey Schultz  
Heather Shaffer  
Michael Sharp  
Gary Sherman  
Ray Shock  
Sara Shook



# Ten More Days

## Can It Make

## A Difference?

Holt Public Schools was the first school district in mid-Michigan to add 10 days to the school year, going 190 days instead of 180. All of the schools began on August 23, with the exception of Horizon Elementary which began its year-round calendar on August 16. The 10 extra days were added as a result of the district's response to Governor Engler's 1.1 million dollar grant to

run an extended school year for grades K-12. There were mixed reactions in the student body about the extension. "I don't think that the 10 extra days will seem like a whole lot. I was starting to get bored near the end of the

summer, and was looking forward to getting back," responded junior Ben Bakken. Dustin Alward felt differently. "I don't like the extended school year at all. I don't think 10 extra days will make a difference in our education."

Ten extra days may not make much difference for high school students, but for younger ones, there could be an impact. Principal Tom Davis stated, "While 10 days in any one year doesn't seem like a great amount of time, over a K-12 career it amounts to nearly an additional year of opportunity." Teacher Debbie Childers added, "I think the 10 extra days is a step in the right direction in preparing students for the future economy."

The High School staff used part of the 10 extra days on a new advisory period project.

Small groups of students met with teachers, three Wednesday afternoons a month. The 25 minute period allowed students to work on portfolio requirements mandated by the Department of Education, career and college choices, and other issues.

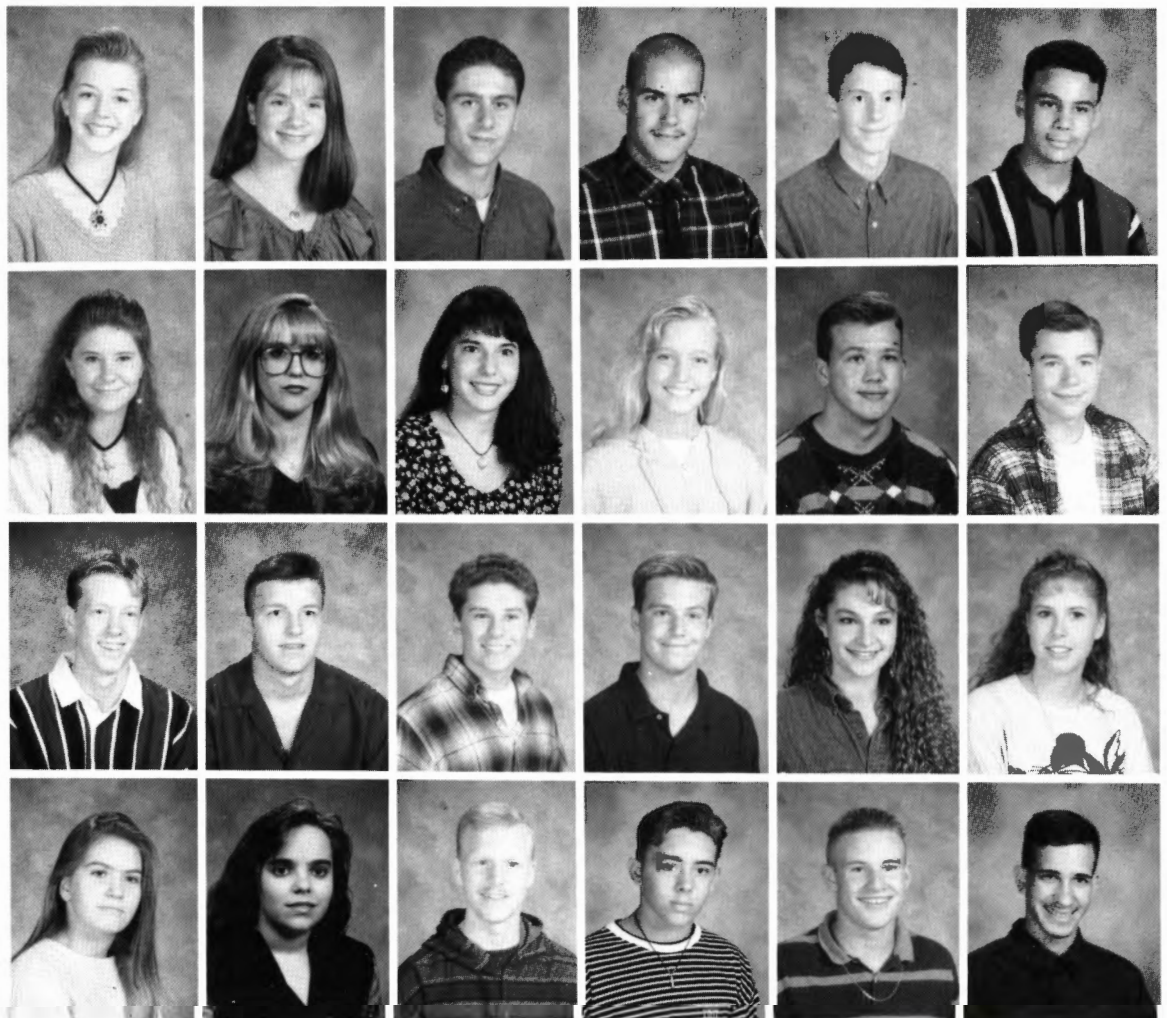
Holt Schools now had the longest schedule of instruction in the Lansing area, and while this might have seemed long to some students, it still did not compare with other industrialized nations in the number of school days. Scotland and the Netherlands have 200, Germany has 226 to 240 and Japan has 243 days. "I would like to see Holt Schools go to a 230 day year in the near future," Davis continued, "I think that is what American kids need, if they are going to be competitive in a global economy." --R. D. Ferman

Kelly Skidmore  
Stacy Smieska  
Brian Smith  
Gilbert Smith  
Jason Smith  
Jeffrey Smith

Julie Smith  
Samantha Smith  
Heather Somes  
Vanessa Spencer  
Matthew Spriggs  
Matthew Stauffer

Neil Steinkamp  
Jason Stevens  
Paul Stewart  
Steven Suckow  
Tina Sullivan  
Lyndsay Summers

Christy Swanson  
Mia Swavel  
Joseph Tamer  
Chadwin Taylor  
Justin Taylor  
Danny Teigeler





**Work it out**  
Figuring out a problem in Guil Northrup's Consumer Econom-

ics class are seniors Kym Loomis and Sara Yarger.

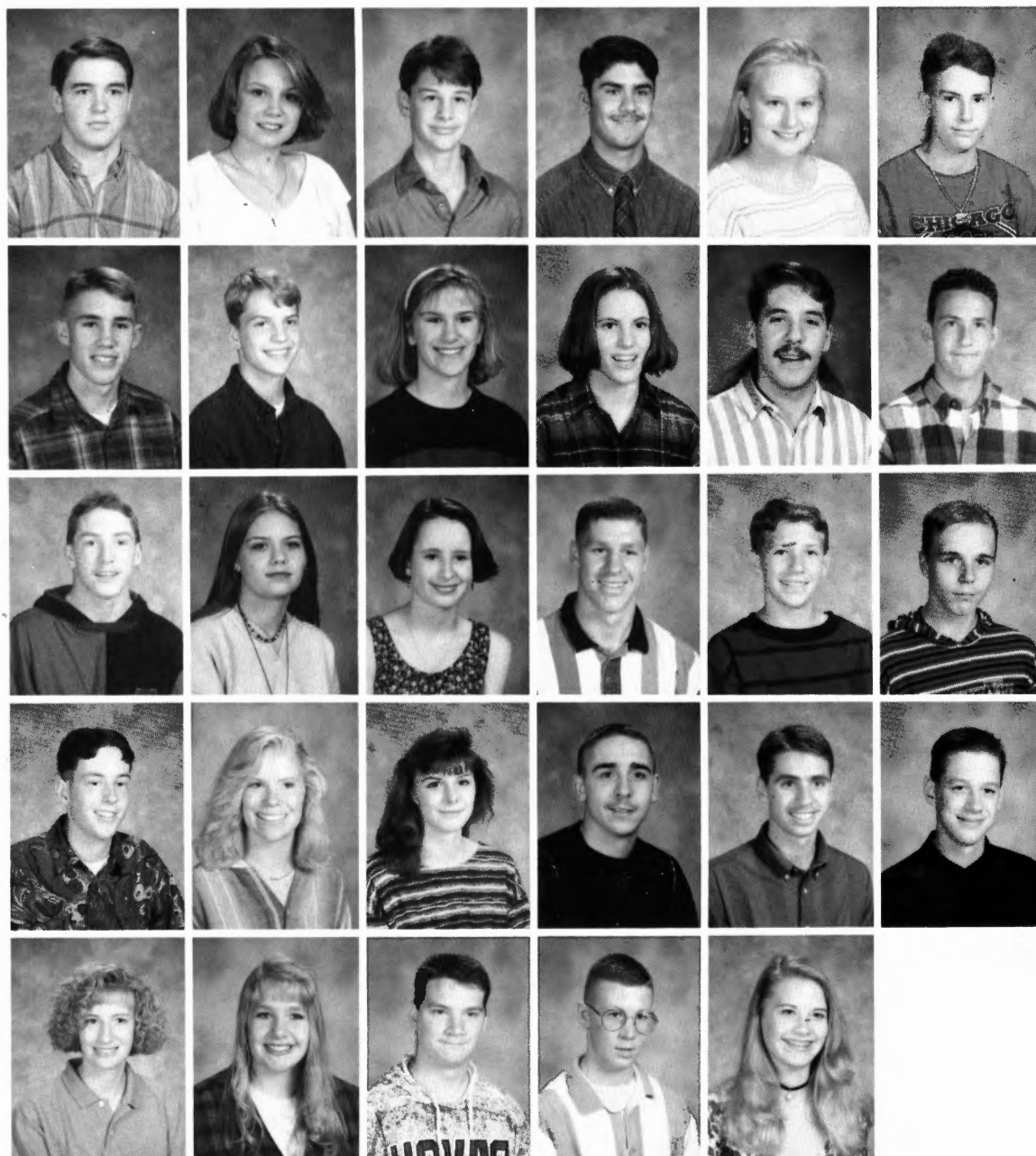


**That's Incredible**  
Adorned with her cow hat, senior Melanie Berg prepares to blow a bubble. Without the 10 day increase, Winter Spirit Week and Hat Day, might not have been a reality.



### *Not Pictured:*

Randy Arnold  
Michael Champion  
Dan Cupples  
Michelle Dubay  
Jolie Fettig  
Jeremy Gubry  
Xuam-Hue Le  
Albert Looney III  
Jason Mann  
Angela McBrian  
Scott McDowell  
Matthew Ordiway  
Jonathan Ott  
Carl Packer  
Todd Perfitt  
Reanna Pickott  
Rebecca Roy  
Vonda Sisler  
Benjamin Slivensky  
John Sonnenberg  
Christopher Thomas  
Heather Wyskowski



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Robert Wojtacha

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Nicole Wood  
Aaron Yerrick  
Jason Yuhasz  
Amy Zehnder



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Dustin Alward  
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Brian Anderson

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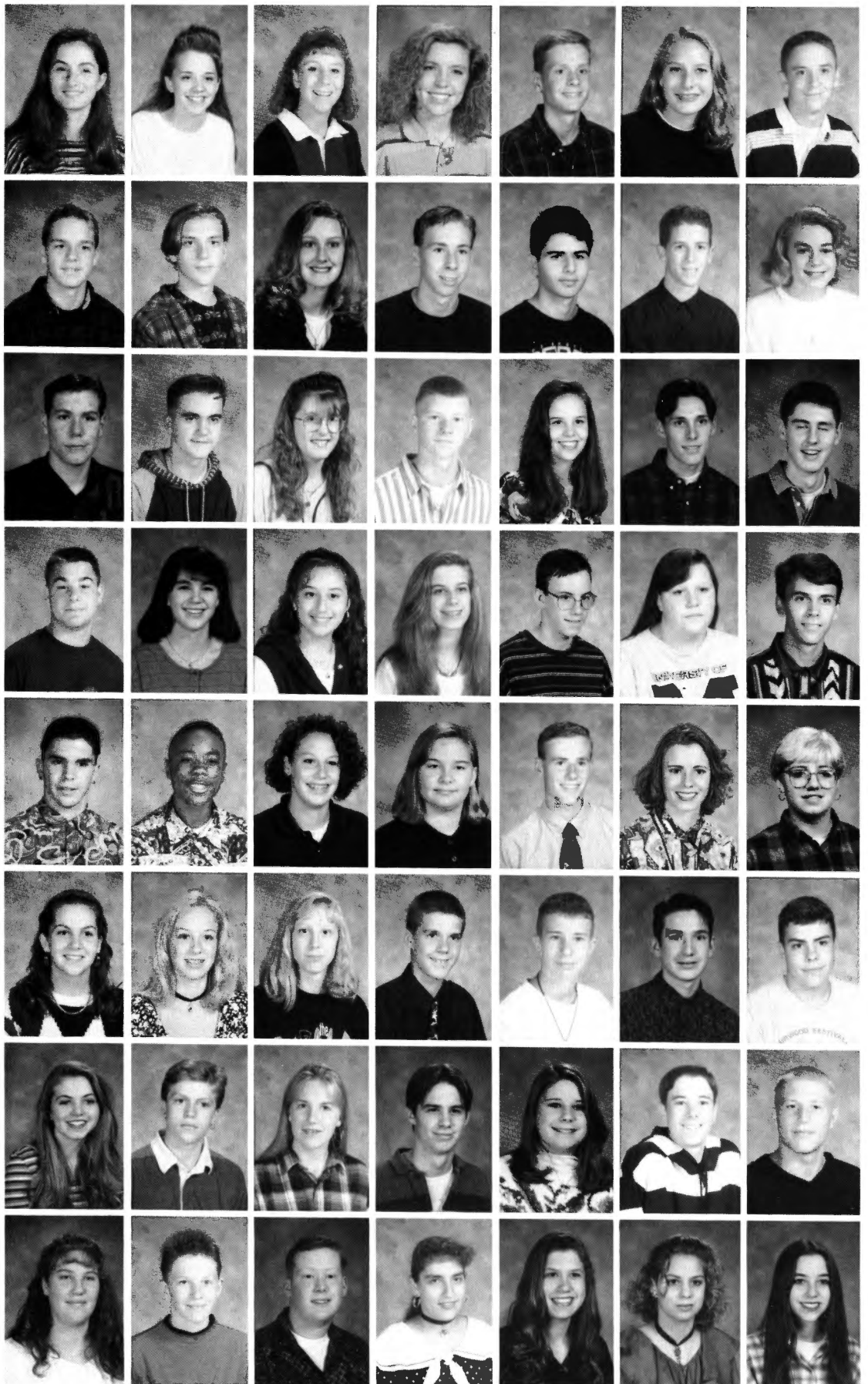
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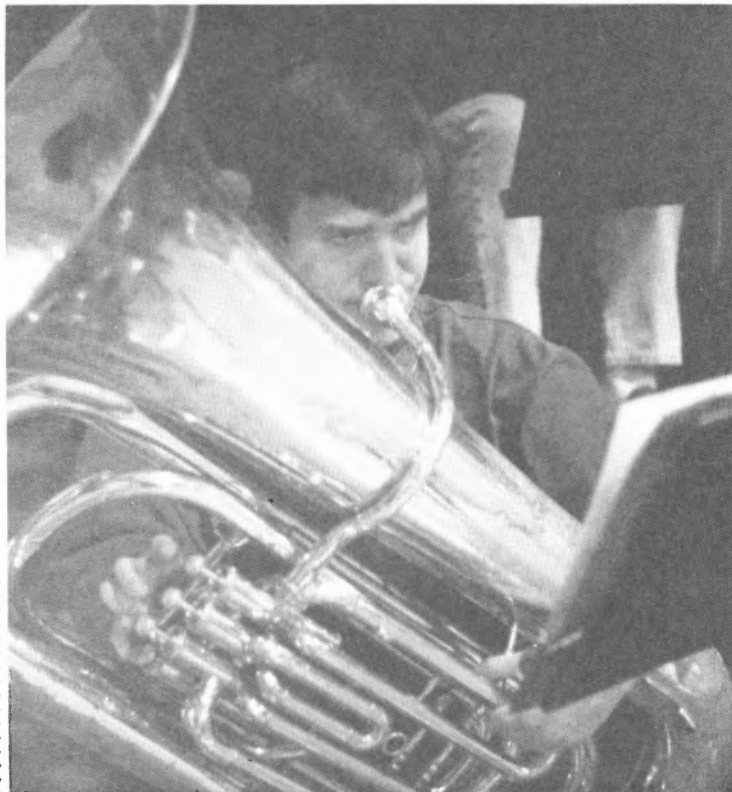
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**T**oot Your Own Horn  
During the Winterfest pep assembly sophomore Eric Knechtges lets loose a few notes on his tuba. He also created a musical composition as part of his band study.



One thing was certain, students' tastes in music varied. The diversity ranged through all of the classes and no one could win the argument of whose music was better.

"A lot of sophomores listen to rhythm and blues, and rap. Some of my favorite groups are Jodeci, and 2 Pac. My favorite radio station is 96.5," stated sophomore Issac Lopez. Sophomore Jill Damon agreed, "The best kind of music is rap. I can

relate to it because a lot of

out and chill with your closest friends. It talks about things that we face everyday in life. Alternative, also takes talent and has been around for a longer time," commented senior Shanda Cochran.



Providing some musical spirit from the sidelines are members of the Marching Band accompanied by Band Director Tim Parry's 'mean' trumpet.

Another group of seniors were won over by the country beat. "My friends always tune my radio to a country station and since majority rules that's what we listen to. I like it now and I think

many other people are starting to also," explained senior Brian Lund.

A large number of juniors chose a different musical style. For them, heavy metal seemed to fit the pieces together best. "There is a mixture of styles in the music we listen to. Generally, I would say that more juniors listen to heavy metal," observed junior Mike Rutherford.

Students listened to all types of music and some felt their music said something about their personality and the type of person they were. Whether it was rap, alternative, or heavy metal, students agreed, the music likes and dislikes were very diverse.

**--Nicole Belles,  
Kerrie Lehnert**



**M**aking the Grade  
Finishing a presentation for Pam Klimenko's English class are sophomores Tamara Trott and Amy Dodson accompanied by the radio. A number of sophomores stated their favorite style of music was rap.

songs are real life situations.

Other sophomores listened to rap because they liked the beat, messages, and the style. "I like rap the best because it's the kind of music I have grown up with, though I don't really care about what the lyrics actually say," noted sophomore Andy Davis.

More seniors preferred alternative bands. "Many of my friends and I listen to alternative music because it is the best kind of music to mellow

# TO THE BEAT

## Diversity Rules the Air Waves



Whether it was cutting down on red meat, fast food, or eating salads more often, many students tried to eat more healthy. They realized that nutrition was based entirely on what went into the body and was very important in the growth of muscle and tissue in one's body.

Unhealthy eating did harm to the body. For instance, during a normal week day, a number of students reported they did not eat a balanced breakfast and for lunch ate fast food or something full of sugars and fats. When it was time for dinner, whether the meal was nutritious or not, the body often could only intake a small amount of the nutrition being eaten.

A survey taken by 100 students, showed that only about 42% of the students ate a well balanced meal for breakfast. Lunch proved to be the meal that most students ate out, often at fast food restaurants. When considering the fat grams and calorie intake for the average student eating out anywhere from 2-5 times a week, it was often high. The result was that many teenagers didn't think about how they were breaking down their system by less healthy eating.

A lot of fast food restaurants, however, have begun to handout nutrition guides with each purchase made. For

instance Wendy's gave a fat gram and calorie guide with every purchase. This guide had all the information needed

about the food they sell. Some places have also come up with a separate menu of fat-free alternatives. There were many choices out there for students that watched their weight or were concerned with nutrition if they just looked for them.

Nutrition has become a very well publicized topic, and a lot of important facts and nutritional charts have been posted on boxes,



Fixing a salad with all the toppings in the school cafeteria is sophomore Dana Jackson.

**H**urry Up, I'm Hungry!  
Fixing a healthy lunch at the salad bar are senior Colleen Jennings, and juniors Amy Zehnder and Danah Henriksen.



# Hold the Mayo!

## Nutritution Takes Top Priority

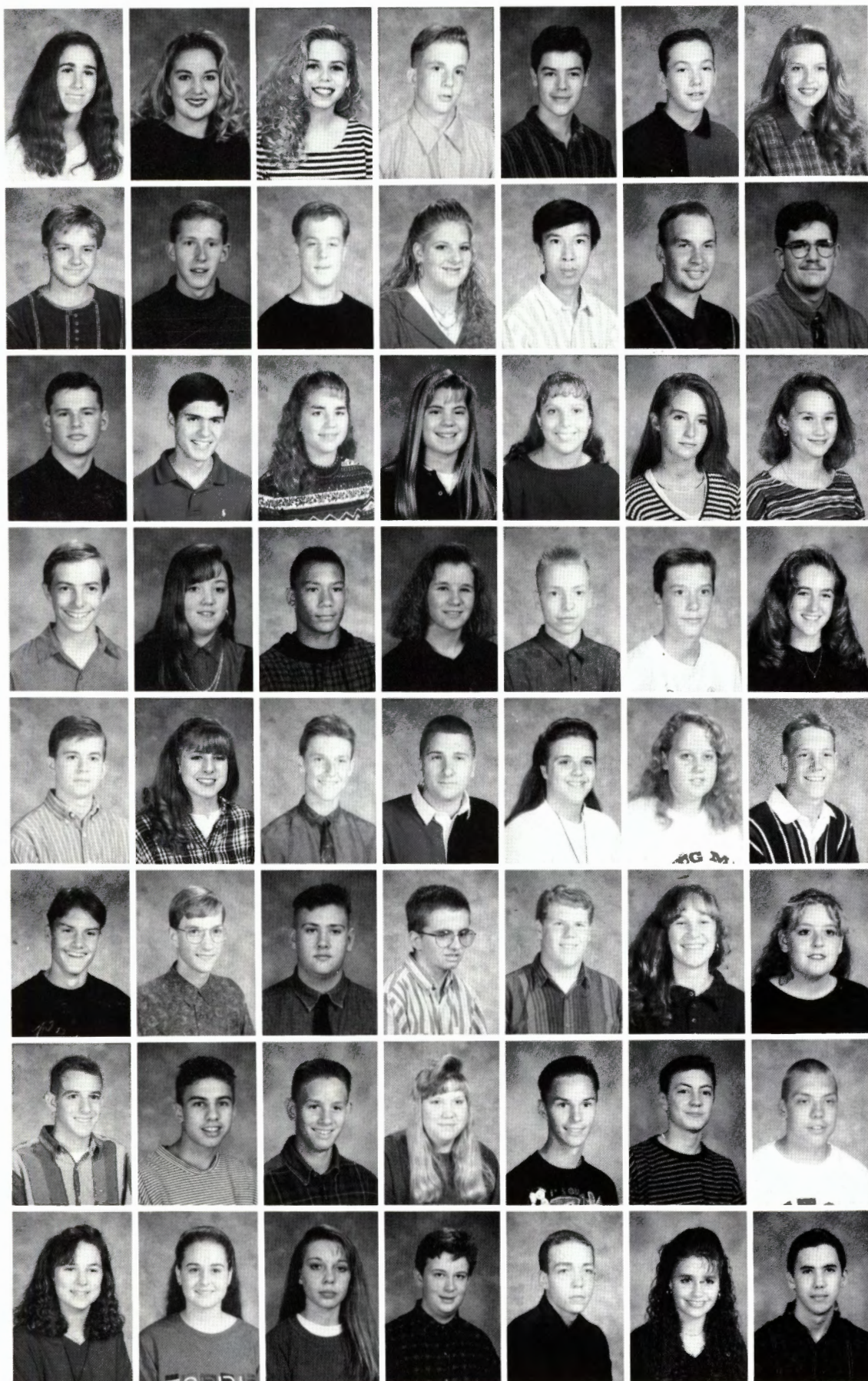
packaging and menus. People who wanted to learn to take better care of their bodies through better eating had many sources of information to consider. Students were beginning to understand that what they ate and how they took care of their body could have a great effect on their life span.

--Adrienne Lawrence



**H**ealthy Subs  
Enjoying lunch at Subway are Amanda Schram, Allison Wood and Andrea Cook. "We go to Subway at least twice a week because the food seems healthier than other fast-food places."





Amy Corr  
Jodie Corr  
Melanie Cournaya  
Jason Crandall  
Jonathan Crandell  
Patrick Crane  
Sarah Cribley

Fred Croley  
Eric Cronk  
James Crosby  
Jill Damon  
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Andrew Davis  
Bradley Delaney

Timothy Denike  
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Christina DeWitt  
Megan Dickinson  
Amy Dodson  
Kristi Doe  
Elizabeth Donigan

Adam Downey  
Kelly Dryer  
Justin Dungey  
Samantha Dunn  
Richard Durfee  
Jeremy Eagle  
Susan Emery

Jason Evans  
Sara Feaster  
Alexander Feguer  
Michael Fehrenbach  
Lynette Felton  
Kyla Fish  
Trevor Fluke

Jacob Fortuna  
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Amanda Friar

Christopher Gafner  
Benjamin Gamet  
Jay Gamet  
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John Gilreath  
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Brian Gondeck

Cari Gonzalez  
Erin Goodine  
Jamie Gostnell  
Quincy Gow  
Brian Graham  
Katherine Greenwood  
Joel Grumblatt



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 Marisa Harper  
 Lisa Harris Townshend  
 Brett Hartford  
 Nicole Hartman

David Hartmann  
 Frank Hartwick  
 Holly Haskell  
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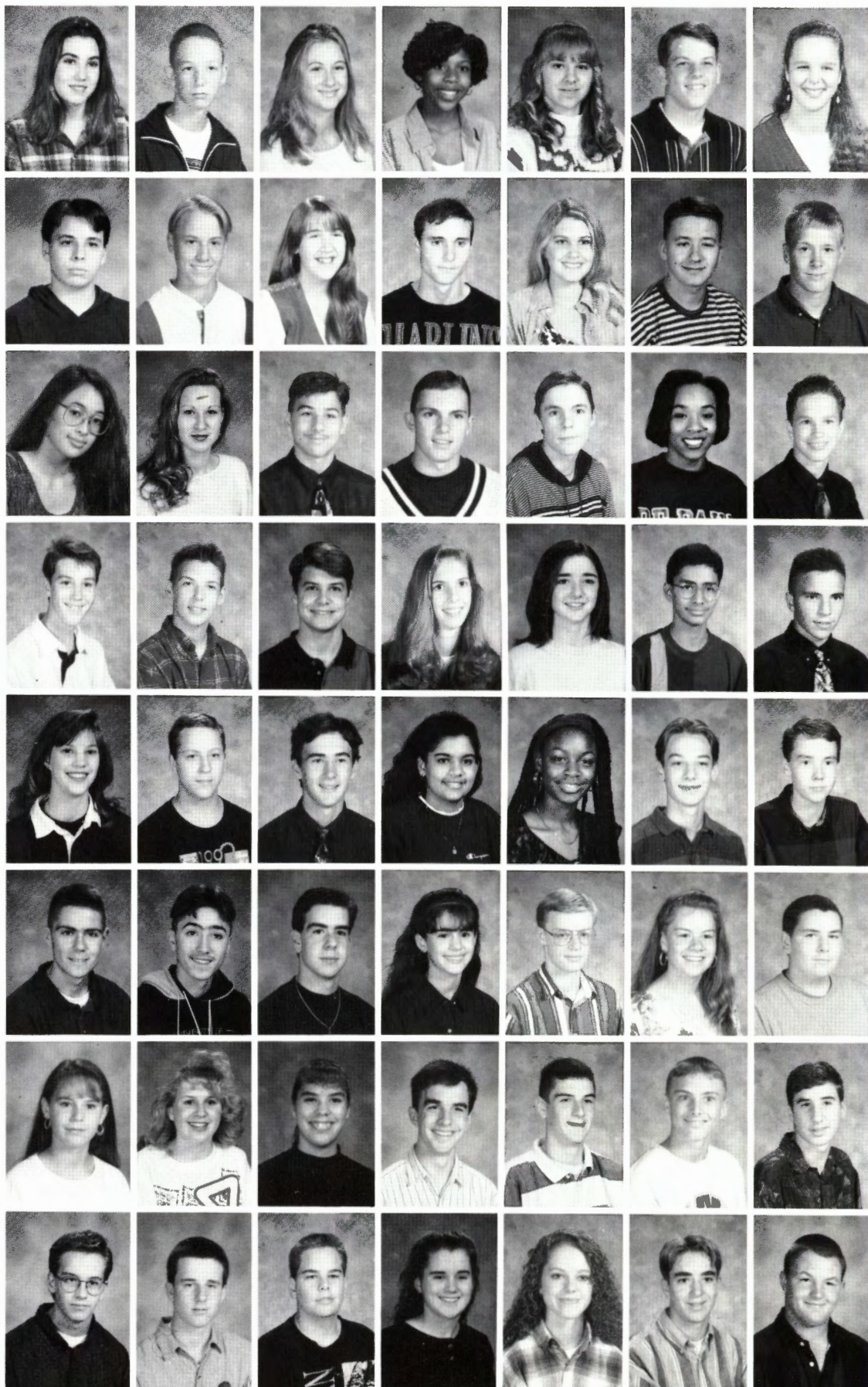
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 Rodney Knott  
 Kevin Knowles

Jacob Kolonich  
 Keith Konz  
 Brian Krause  
 Kelly Krause  
 Lisa Krug  
 Ryan Kuhn  
 Chad Kus





**B**irthday Art  
Showing off her birthday tattoo  
is sophomore Jamie Utter.



**W**as it a trend, a way to be different or was personal expression a factor? Whatever the reason, students flocked to the parlors. Tattooing was a hit.

One might have asked why a person would want a tattoo? "It's a form of art," commented senior Jake Gingrich. For others it was even simpler. "I just got bored," admitted junior Jason Bedford. Tattooing was definitely an unusual way of killing spare time!



Besides a tattoo, Jamie also had her nose pierced. "I thought it would be pretty. My sister did it and I thought it was cool, so I did it too."

were another popular item. Junior Melissa Peterson's love for fish helped make her decision easier. Senior Autumn Shaver decided on one of her favorite music group's, Prince and the New Power Generation, symbols.

People's reactions ranged from loving the fad to hating it. Junior Christy Parsons commented, "My friends really like it and my parents grounded me!"

Junior Reanna Pickott had three tattoos and still wanted more. "The first time my mom signed a paper saying it was okay, and thereafter, it was no problem."

Reaction also involved some painful memories. Senior Serena Johnson commented, "It felt like sparklers sparks only intensified, or if you've ever sandblasted something, the rain of the sand... OUCH!" "It was the worst pain in the world. I squeezed my boyfriend's hand the whole time," added Lindsay Manning.

Tattoos were not for everyone, yet some who had them done, wanted more. It was a decision for most that took a lot of thought. Senior Kellie Stiles who had a purple 'Dizzy Devil' concluded, "If you don't have a tattoo, get one; they're cool."

--Kelly Larsen

# ETERNAL FAD

## Ancient Tattooing Gets Update



**S**corpion Art  
Sporting her tattoo in Art Seminar class is senior Julie Hunt. "Scorpio is my sign and it makes a great decoration," noted Julie.

Still others invested in it for a special occasion. Sophomore Jamie Utter explained, "I got my tattoo for my birthday. A friend and I went to get them and she paid for half. I'm glad I did it."

Also unusual were some of the more popular tattoos. Seniors Jake Gingrich, Lindsay Manning and junior Melinda Cady all decided a dragon would be right for them. Roses



A positive attitude, skills, and determination, up-and-coming athletes had to have all of these qualities. Varsity Basketball player, junior Tim Schram illustrated the drive and philosophy as he noted, "I just try my hardest and each time I play, I try to beat my past performances."

Tim's Coach, Bruce Lerner observed, "There are many good basketball players. Juniors Jeff Schultz, Ben Bakken, Darnell Powers, Tim Schram, Ryan Brookes, Chad Fulk, and sophomore Jeff Barrett are key players. Both Ben and Jeff Barrett have the advantage of being tall. Jeff Schultz and Darnell are basically all-around good athletes. Tim has an excellent shooting track and both Chad and Ryan have excellent attitudes and are hard workers. With continued effort the rest of the season and this summer, this group is a terrific nucleus for next year."

Basketball wasn't the only sport with promising athletes. "As divers, Rachel Haley and Julie Nourse both have outstanding athletic potential and a strong desire to excel," commented Diving Coach, Chad Cottom. Fellow teammates agreed. Junior Amanda Calvert observed, "Julie and Rachel really pushed themselves at practices. There were some meets we never would have won without them."

Freshman Colin Janetzke and sophomores Bryan Heany and Chad Lesnieski were the

promising male divers. Coach Jim Pence commented, "As a group, they are hard working, internally driven and competitive. We are a young team,

inexperienced in big meets situations, but we have potential to continue the winning tradition we have established in Mid-Michigan." Bryan Heany admitted, "Practices are hard, but it pays off when I take first place at a meet."

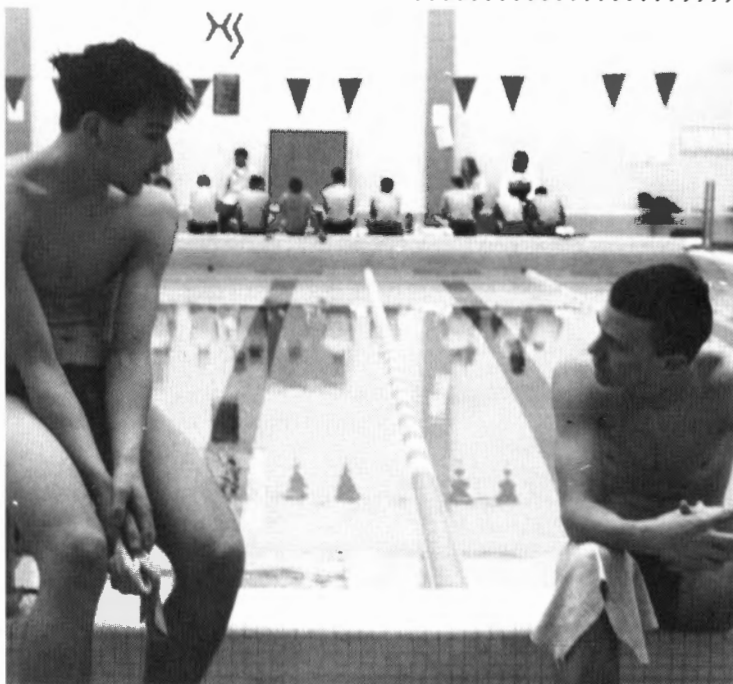
Varsity Track Coach Jerry Gillett

also had some key athletes to comment on. "This year's



Competing in the high jump at a home track meet is sophomore Jaime Hayslette. Jaime was also a key sprinter in the 200 and 400 meters.

**Prepping Up**  
Chatting at practice before the meet with arch rival East Lansing are sophomores Brian Heany and Chad Lesnieski. Practice paid off with a win over the Trojans.



# NEW WAVE

## UP AND COMING ATHLETES

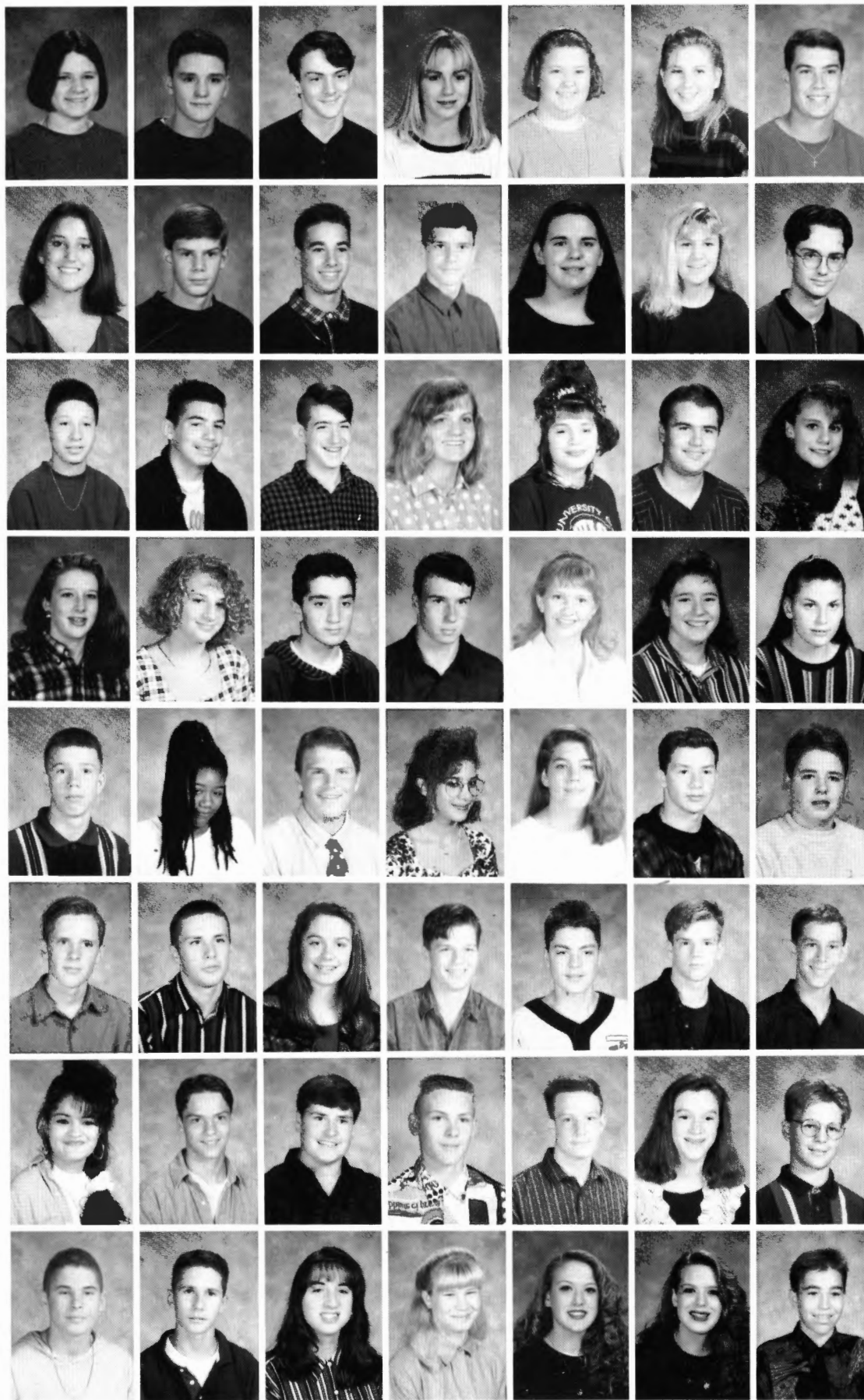
sophomore class was one of the best classes I have had in track in years. Scott Lawrence, Steve Robedeau, Tom McKouen, Jeff Jewett and Laura Harger are only a few. They are competitive, physically talented and are willing to work hard. Some of these athletes will be among the best in the CAC and have a chance to compete at the state level."

Scott Lawrence summed the situation up. "Sometimes it's hard to balance school, athletics and a social life. It all comes down to time management." --Laurie Nugent



**Prep Talk**  
Conversing with players at the sidelines during a time out is Varsity Basketball Coach Bruce Lerner. Listening intently are key players, Darnell Powers, Jeff Schultz, Ben Bakken, and Tim Schram.





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Ryan LaFeve  
Damon Lamb  
Alicia Lansing  
Bobbijo Larkins  
Allison Larson  
Scott Lawrence

Nicole Lee  
Nikolas Leible  
James Lenon  
Chadwick Lesnieski  
Carli Lintemuth  
Beth Litwiller  
Robert Longberry

Corey Lopez  
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Tom Lott  
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Kelly MacKellar  
Nicole Malm  
Joseph Manuel  
Paul Markel  
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Tara McClelland

Shaun McKimmy  
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Bradley Mikesell  
James Miller  
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Timothy Milliken

Cathy Mireles  
Loyd Mitchell  
Edward Monroe  
Ryan Morrill  
Benjamin Morris  
Angela Mulvaney  
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Mathew Murphy  
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Kelley Nastal  
Nicole Nelson  
Rhonda Newman  
Wanda Newman  
Matthew Noecker



Marni Norris  
Amy Nourse  
Brooke Oakley  
Anita Ortiz  
Ryan Osborn  
Laura Ososkie  
Larry Owens II

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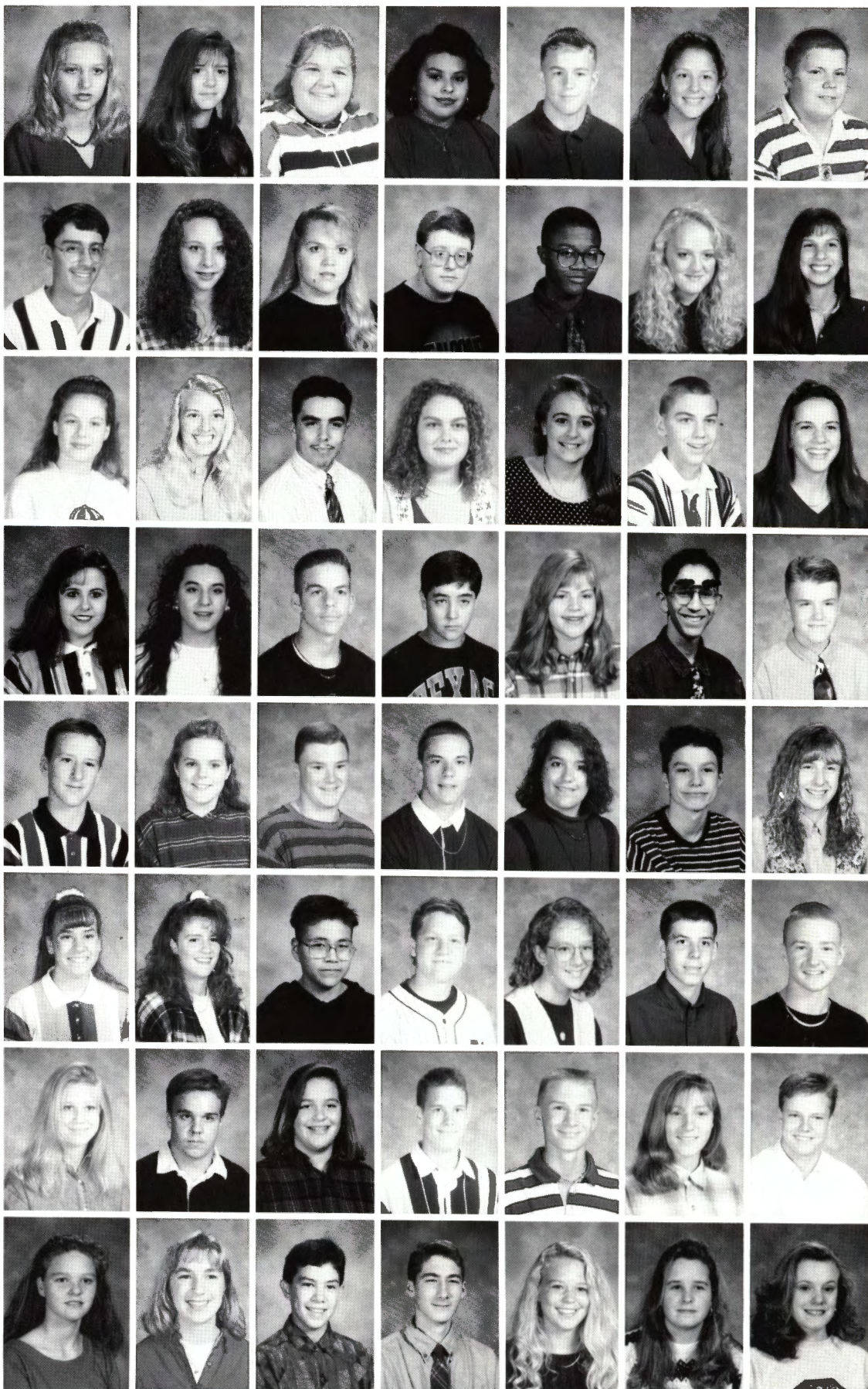
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Marshal Savage  
Jonathan Schraft

Amy Schultz  
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Christopher Sherry  
Mark Sienkiewicz  
Sarah Skoczylas  
Bryan Smieska

Jessica Smith  
Julie Smith  
Sameul Smith  
Matthew Snyder  
Shelly Somers  
Jessica Songer  
Jamie Southwell





**Gaseous Emission**  
Observing changes in a chemical reaction are sophomores O'Shanti McKinstry and Alicia Lansing. Some sophomores shared that at first they were nervous about coming to the high school, but once here, they found it wasn't so bad. Lab classes offered the opportunity to make friends.



The anticipation of the newly entering students to the high school was an experience that few rarely ever forgot. Each student had their own thoughts about how high school would be and how it would affect them. Some were scared, not knowing what to expect, or what the upperclassmen might have in store for them. "Fitting into the crowd or doing something I

whole idea of being the youngest in the school really didn't thrill me, but I look back and see the advantages I've gained."

But being a sophomore was not without its downside. Maureen Gregg explained, "Having everyone down on sophomores was my toughest adjustment. It wasn't like that at the junior high."



Cheering amid the crowd at the Winterfest basketball game are sophomores Rachel Paterick and Kelly Wardwell.

Other things that sophomores had to cope with were the crowded hallways, more homework and not having enough time to get to each class. "Getting to class on time because of all of the people in the halls was something that really bugged me when I first came here and it still does," revealed Kaye Charles.

To some, just the look of the school made them wonder what was in store for them as they set foot through the doors. But as the weeks lingered on, sophomores got used to the routine, including the passing period. But it didn't mean they always liked it. The only thing that they were patiently waiting for, and yet dreading, was the enormous change of leaving the sophomore world and venturing into the mighty junior world of greater experience and, of course, more homework.

--WandaNewman

# ACQUIRING A TASTE

## Sophomores Strive to Fit In



**May I take your order?**  
Serving the senior members of the Varsity Tennis team breakfast are sophomores Sarah Cribble, Julie Allen, Kelly Krause, Allison Warren and Katie Yemc. "One of the funniest things that happened during Spirit Week was the day we had to tell the seniors we worshipped them. Kim Witsaman ran around yelling, 'We worship you, we worship you!'" laughed Allison.

would never do just to fit in, is a no for me because if the people I hang around with don't accept me for who I am then they are not my true friends," expressed sophomore Cali Lodge.

Others weren't as anxious. Although the thought of not being with their friends at the junior high stirred up some feelings of doubt, most were glad to be in high school. Sophomore Kelly Wardwell reflected, "Coming to the high school was horrifying at first as it always seemed so big. The



The message of the movie, "Sixteen Candles," was that most everyone looked upon their sixteenth birthday as a special year to be celebrated, and many students took the hint with parties both planned and by surprise. "For my sixteenth birthday, I planned it all out with invitations and everything. It lasted from 7:00-12:00p.m. and we ate food, watched some football and two movies. We danced and got carried away especially when Tim walked on his hands and almost knocked Dave Pratt into my cake," shared junior Tim Schram.

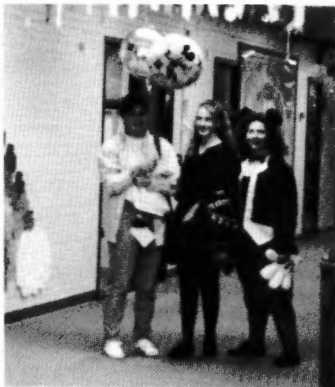
Though there was fun in planning one's own bash, for others, the fun was in the surprise. "When it was my sixteenth birthday I told my friend Chantel Lovejoy that I had always wanted a surprise party. Then a week after my birthday, Chantel, Dana Dillon and I were supposed to go to a school play. When I got to Chantel's house to pick her and Dana up, all my friends were there! It was the biggest surprise ever!" recalled junior Jill Cory.

When planning surprises, some friends covered it up with other plans. "I went shopping with a friend who suddenly came to see me from out of town. On the way home we stopped at my church unexpectedly. I went in, walked up to a room and when I opened the door everyone was there! It was a real surprise," revealed junior Sherah Huston.

Sometimes, however, the surprise element caused a few problems. "I went to my brother's banquet and I wanted a friend to come along. Neither

of my closest friends wanted to go. So I got mad at them. Then I found out they were throwing a surprise party for me instead. It turned out to be a blast!" exclaimed junior Carilyn Moubray.

Some students, mainly guys, thought sweet sixteen was limited to females. "I suspected it was only for girls and found out in my case it was. All my mom did



Showing off her balloons during Spirit Week is senior Chandra Wheeler along with Catherine Webster and Amanda Fleckenstein

**hopping Spree**  
During the Christmas season seniors Brian Cole and Erin Oakley prowled the Meridian Mall. On his 16th birthday, Brian prowled it with \$85 to spend as he pleased. Needless to say, it was a fun time.



# SIXTEEN CANDLES

## Special Birthdays Planned or by Surprise

was take me down to the Secretary of State's office to get my license. That's all the day was!" recalled junior Greg Weiler. Junior Chad Fulk agreed. "Sure it could be for guys, but we just don't celebrate it like a girl does. About all we do is get our drivers license. We don't have parties. It just isn't much of a big deal I guess."

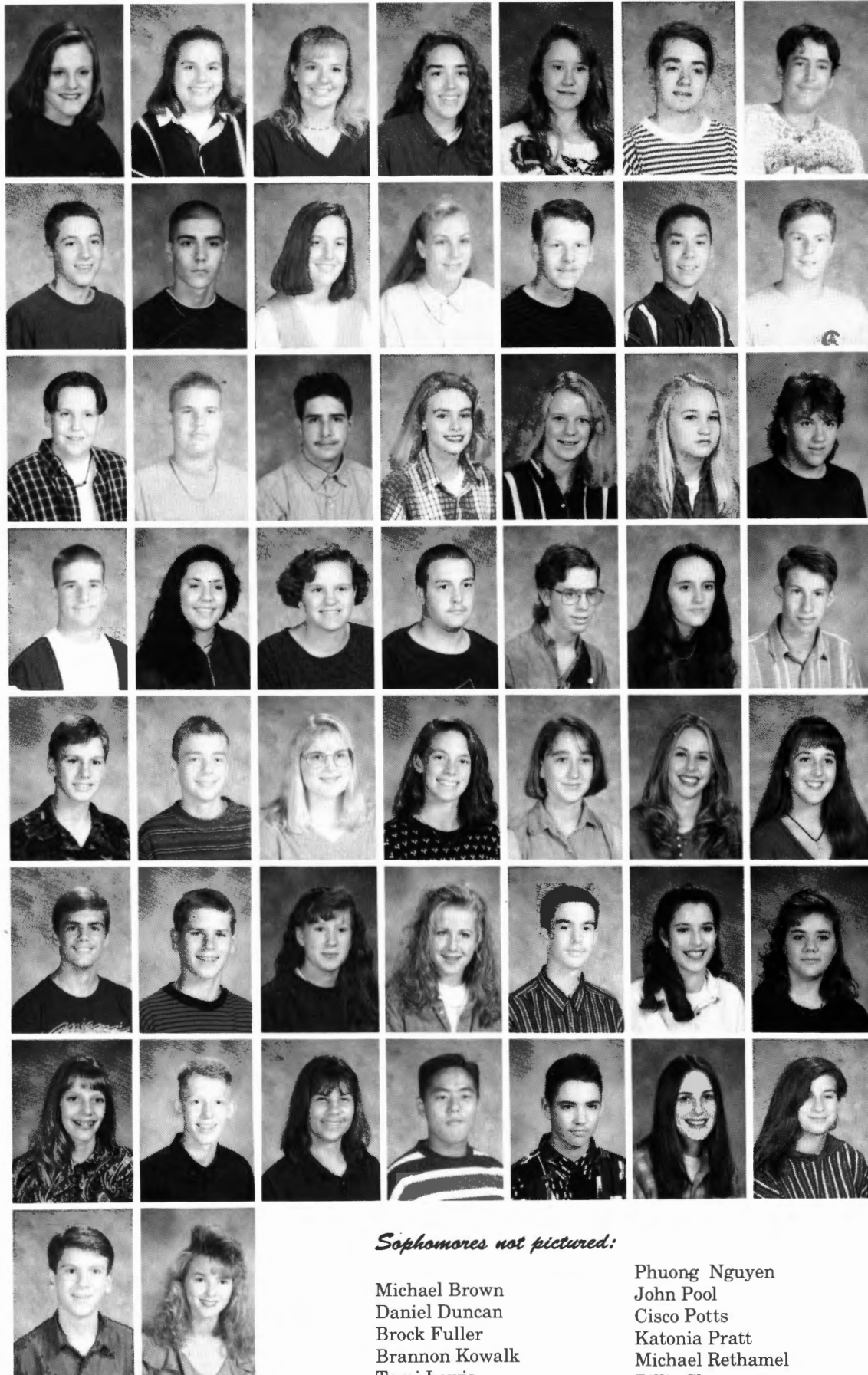
Even if a big deal wasn't made out of the day, it still could be fun. "My parents gave me \$85 and dropped me off at the mall and I spent every last dime. It was a great time," concluded senior Brian Cole.

--Kari Reynolds



**Balloon Mobile**  
Entering her car on April 21 for the get-away lunch trip, Christy Baisel finds it filled with birthday balloons courtesy of mom, Claudia. Friend Nicole Miller joins her.





*Sophomores not pictured:*

Michael Brown  
Daniel Duncan  
Brock Fuller  
Brannon Kowalk  
Tami Lewis  
Justin Marker  
Jamie McColgan  
Brenda Michels

Phuong Nguyen  
John Pool  
Cisco Potts  
Katonie Pratt  
Michael Rethamel  
Billie Sherman  
Michael Smith  
Teresa Sonnenberg  
Kenneth Stone

Jodi Southwell  
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Shelly Spitz  
Erin Stahl  
Sarah Steadman  
Joshua Steadman-Jersey  
Matt Stevens

Stephen Stornant  
John Sullivan  
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Kristina Swaynie  
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April Thocker  
Jeffrey Thompson

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Shannon Traver  
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Beth Wilkerson  
Heather Willett

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Sal Wilson  
Kimberly Witsaman  
Cory Wong  
Aaron Wright  
Kathryn Yemc  
Fiona Zeller

Joseph Zimmerman  
Kristie Zimmerman



Leo Allaire, Tech Education  
 Ronald Allen, Fine Arts  
 Dorothy Anderson, Fine Arts  
 Sally Beauchine, Science

Sandra Bernier,  
 Modern Languages  
 Sandy Bethell,  
 Math/Modern Languages  
 Mary Boulanger, Science  
 Larry Burgess, Science

Lori Buwalda, Science  
 Penelope Chapman,  
 Life Skills  
 Debbie Childers,  
 Communication Arts  
 Dan Ernst, Business

Dave Foy, Science  
 Jerry Gillett, Social Science  
 Mary Gray, Library Science  
 Juanita Grew,  
 Modern Languages

Lila Guenther,  
 Physical Education  
 Kelly Koesel, Math  
 Jean Johnson, Guidance  
 Ann Kast,  
 Communication Arts



**New Experiment**  
 Assisting senior Jennie Vanlerberghe with her Honors Chemistry II experiment is teacher Dave Foy. The class also integrated Physics in the curriculum.

**But I Digress..."**  
 Listening to her History teacher, Pete Kressler, digress about his many philosophies of life is sophomore Carrie Nelson. Mr. Kressler helped develop the interdisciplinary American Studies class.



# PDS

was a term that was quite familiar to students. Short for Professional Development School, to many of them, it represented the development of new teaching styles and innovative programs. The Wednesday mornings that faculty spent in meetings and planning time had become part of the normal routine. Working in cooperation with Michigan State University, the ongoing research and studies had gained both local and national attention. To some people, however, the purpose and benefits of PDS were still confusing and raised questions. "How do you market PDS when it is so difficult to explain?" asked Science teacher Sally Beauchine. The dilemma was that other schools and educational professionals eagerly demanded results from programs that were still in their early stages. Teachers often became frustrated at being asked to evaluate their results because their practice was constantly evolving to meet the needs of students. "You aren't sure that it's better. Maybe what we need is a new technique for assessment," stated Science teacher Barbara Neureither during a discussion meeting with Science staff.

Each department developed projects that they worked on and discussed each Wednesday morning. Math teacher Michael Lehman devised a new method for applying students' math skills and developed an alternative assessment style for the final exam. Instead of taking the standard written test, students presented one of their math projects done during the semester to a panel of judges. "The exams went very well," commented Mr. Lehman. "I have seen kids' understanding of math continually get better."

Increased conceptual learning was the result teachers strived to get and one of the successes of some PDS programs. Others included developing a more flexible schedule. The American Studies class, a two-hour block integrating English and U.S. History was a step in that direction, as well as the Interdisciplinary Learning Community which integrated English, Chemistry and Government in a three-hour block. In the planning stages, the ILC class was projected to begin the 1994-95 school year. The addition of a 25 minute Advisory session designed to connect students more with school and work on state-mandated portfolios was also

**Quest for Understanding**  
Reviewing for a test in Biology, sophomore Amy Corr gets help from teacher Mary

Boulanger. "I worked with the science group developing the Integrated Science class and focusing on conceptual learning," explained Mrs. Boulanger.



# Vehicle of Learning

## Focus for Professional Development

worked into the schedule. Another area of inquiry revolving around curriculum was English teacher Bruce Kutney's Senior Writing Seminar class. It evolved from portfolio assessment study and Kutney worked with the portfolio as a vehicle for learning.

Along with successes usually came some stumbling blocks. One involved the staff's perception of the rate of change. "It seems like we talk about things, but more needs to be accomplished, related Math teacher Bruce Lerner. "The problem is that we haven't had much time. Change is a long, slow process, but we are getting things done," assessed Mike Lehman. The pressure to get promising results was just one of the consequences of having the spotlight focused on the

school. It was hard to remember the achievements when the focus was always on what remained to be done.

At another Wednesday morning meeting, teachers laughed and talked about their upcoming vacations and fishing trips. The atmosphere was relaxed in contrast to the sometimes tense discussion that revolved around issues such as Advisory, and extended or year-round school. But most agreed change was necessary to enhance learning and that education was not a static commodity. It would take more than just time, it would also require patience, renewed dedication and assessment of innovation to make sure that what was replaced was truly an improvement in practice.

--Andrea Cook



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Communication Arts  
Anne Kressler, Business  
Pete Kressler, Social Science  
Bruce Kutney,  
Communication Arts

Peg Lamb, Special Services  
Nancy Lamphier, Life Skills  
Bruce Larner, Math  
Michael Lehman, Math

Brenda Lynch,  
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Jean Mooney, Math  
Heather Neiswonger,  
Science  
Barbara Neureither, Science

Steven Neureither,  
Industrial Arts/Math  
Guil Northrup,  
Social Science  
Timothy Parry, Fine Arts  
Ann Paul,  
Fine Arts/Publications

Rosie Peters,  
Modern Languages  
Dan Plunkett,  
Social, Science  
Tyrone Robinson,  
Modern Languages  
Lowell Rudd, Science



**C**heck it Out  
Reviewing her grade on the computer screen with teacher Dan Ernst is senior Kendra Hoffman. Besides the renovation, teachers aquired classroom computers with bond money.

**R**etrieval Team  
Helping English teacher Brenda Lynch locate materials for her class project is librarian Mary Gray.



Everything from students continually getting out of their seats to no heat in their classrooms, caused stress and some major pet peeves for many of the staff. "Through the years I've seen things happen continually and now they really annoy me. Like students talking through announcements or trying to get out of their seats before the bell rings. I can't stand it! Another big one is students interrupting without raising their hand, when I haven't even asked for questions yet," stated Spanish teacher, Juanita Grew.

Annoyance wasn't limited to the classroom. Athletes also posed problems for coaches. "One pet peeve of mine is when athletes give in to peer pressure when they know right from wrong and still, they choose to do the wrong things," explained Athletic Director Del Cory.

Although, teachers lists of pet peeves were endless, problems with the renovated building rivaled them. At one point in the beginning of the year, many faculty members questioned whether or not there would ever be heat! In some areas of the school the temperatures were reasonable, but in others they were unbearable. "The heat in my office wasn't working so it was, of course, cold. But on top of that, the other offices were too hot, so the cool air fans were turned on. It was quite an experience," shared secretary Becky Barry.

In some class rooms in the new "D" hall, there were no dividers, and two rooms were shared posing problems of noise for students and staff. It was finally remedied with partitions.

Besides the situations with heat and double classrooms, many other staff members were annoyed with plumbing and electrical problems, clocks not properly synchronized, missing drains in science

## Listen Up!

Paying close attention to Physics teacher Eric Pulver's answers are Kelly TePastte, Tricia

Hannig, and Mandy Bowler in one of the relatively problem free older science classrooms



# Hanging by a Thread

## Pet Peeves and Stress Stretch Sanity to the Limit

classrooms, incompleted telephone installations and lack of electrical outlets.

No one was more aware of the problems and stress than the custodians, perhaps with the exception of Assistant Principal Brian Templin chief of the complaint department. He reported, "There were a lot of problems and it did not go smoothly because there were a large number of subcontractors for the project. When things were nearing completion, it was difficult to get them to come back from other jobs and do the finishing touches. It's a common problem with a construction project of this size. I think the staff chipped in and did a good job of being

patient and fixing some things themselves." As the months wore on, however, complaints fell on deaf ears. "After listening to all the people with new rooms and equipment talk about their problems with new rooms and equipment continually, I think I have heard enough!" concluded Social Studies teacher Guil Northrup.

--Kari Reynolds

## Not Just for Fun

Giving students a break from French drill with a game is teacher Sandra Bernier. Some foreign language classes were held in the 'D' wing which experienced its share of heating and cooling problems.





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William Savage,  
Social Science  
Mary Schissler,  
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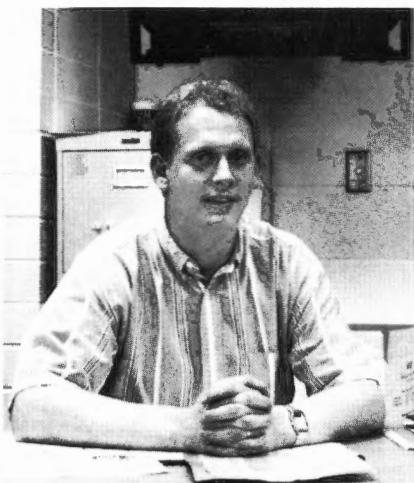
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Janet Wilson, Guidance  
Georganne Withey,  
Communication Arts  
Gerald Woolston,  
Social Science

Becky Barry, Secretary  
Delores Cornelius, Secretary  
Camille Esch, Secretary  
Sue Kenney, Secretary

Leslie Whittaker, Secretary  
Judith Woolston, Secretary  
Rosann Frazier, Secretary

*Not Pictured:*  
Beth Berwald, Math  
Bob Bower, Guidance  
Marty Schnepf, Math



### Looks aren't Everything

Playing hard to impress is Math teacher Bruce Lerner. His prank of dressing up as a cheerleader cost him some discomfort and embarrassment.



### More than Enough

Having a little fun with Mary Herrera is custodian Lorenzo Hernandez. The two worked together on the evening shift.



Although they may have appeared to be quite sedate and normal, some teachers were a little bit on the crazy side. Some had developed this side during high school. "I used to model funky clothes with my friends on Friday nights," recalled Biology teacher, Heather Neiswonger. "I remember when the football team put on a play and I had to dress up as a cheerleader. I was, however, totally embarrassed after the play," recalled Varsity Basketball coach and Math teacher, Bruce Lerner.

Other teachers did not admit to much craziness. "I really didn't show much of a wild side. I worked too hard at being good. I wish I had dared to be wild and crazy, but I didn't," reflected counselor Jan Wilson.

But even for the more sedate, there were embarrassing moments. Health teacher, Penelope Chapman, remembered, "I was playing in a powderpuff football game and when I caught the ball on defense, I was so stunned that I hit the goal post and broke my nose." Math teacher, Greg Bird, also suffered painful embarrassment as he admitted, "I was run over by my riding lawn mower one summer."

Although, some teachers claimed not to have had a rebellious side while younger, they developed more courage to dissent later on. Spanish teacher, Sandy Bethell, commented, "I called WVIC one morning to argue with disc jockey, Rich Michaels, on the air." Art teacher Dorothy Anderson admitted to being quiet in high school, but revealed, "I like to make humorous art objects for my friends."

Some teachers went to more dangerous lengths. English teacher Brenda Lynch revealed, "I was very academic in high school, but I am very athletically competitive now. I was a distance runner sponsored by Reebok from 1985 to 1991. I had a major injury and then I took up biking. Mountain bike racing is extremely physically demanding. The races are from two to three hours over very dangerous technical trails, ski hills, and gnarly terrains. A strong aerobic base is very important and I have that from running, however, bike handling skills



# Wild and Crazy Guys

## Staff Reveals Their More Humorous and Daring Side

are essential. Racing is difficult and I have the scars and cracked ribs to prove it, but overall, it's fun."

Whether, they were bold about it or more modest, most teachers were, at times, wild and crazy guys.

--Andrea Cook

### Caught in the Act!

Goofing off with senior Dustin Gould is Math teacher Michael Lehman in a show of humor.

### Partners in Fun

Striking a silly pose in the faculty lounge are Science teachers Heather Neiswonger and Lori Buwala. Heather admitted to doing a few crazy things while in high school.





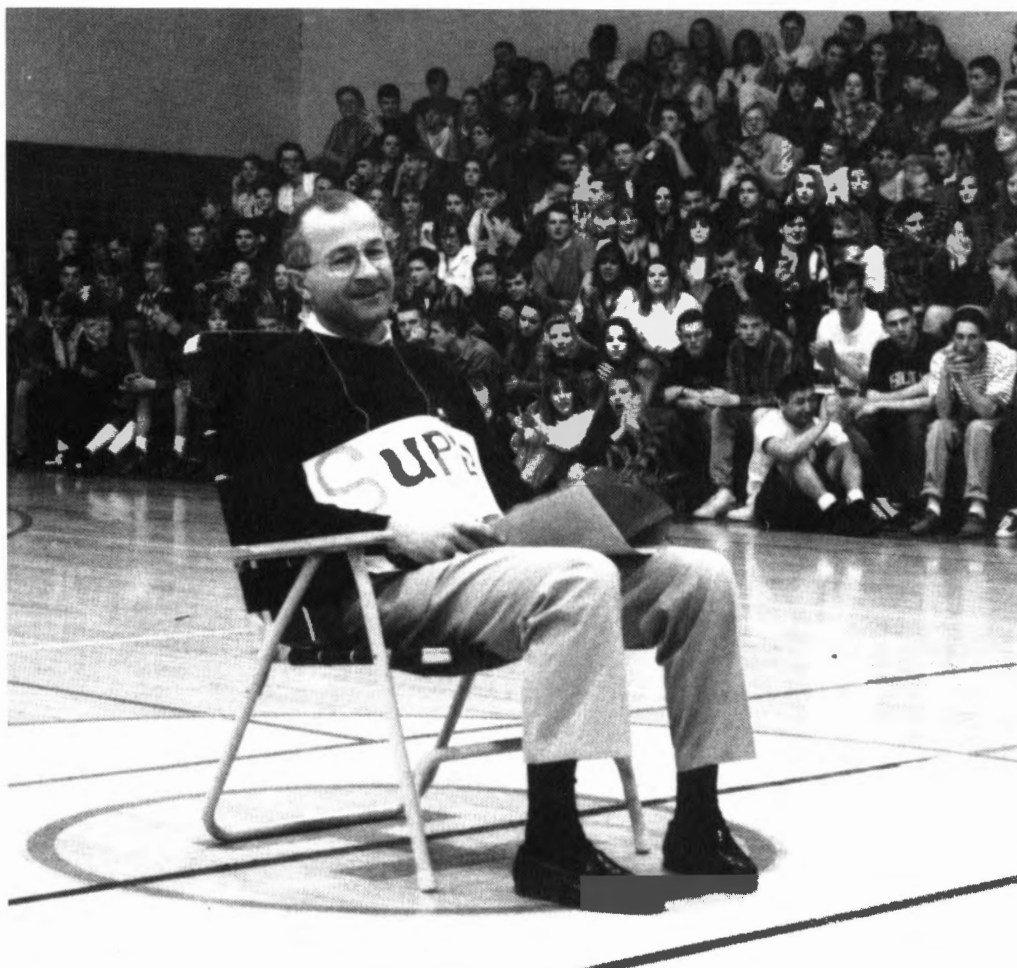
**O**nward and upward  
Being honored by the student body before moving up to the Assistant Superintendent

position is Principal Tom Davis in an assembly program held in April before Spring Break.

**I**n order to remain a school district striving to change and grow, it was necessary to explore uncharted territory. From instituting the extended school year to coping with school finance reform, administrators had their hands full working to improve the high school.

One of the more noticable changes the administration had to deal with was the renovation of the high school. With the construction deadlines and moving teachers into their new rooms, getting the building ready to open in the fall was a challenge. Also, new technology had to be hooked up and running and the "bugs" in the heating and cooling systems had to be worked out. "The most important goal this year was to open the new addition smoothly," stated Principal Tom Davis. Then he admitted, "It was a difficult time line."

Probably the most patience-trying issue was the financial situation facing public schools. "School finance reform is a speeding freight train moving down a track out of control. Trying to do too much, too fast, causes chaos to ensue," explained Assistant Principal Nancy



# In Troubled Waters

## Administrators Build Bridges to Staff and Students

Haas. Although finance reform was considered necessary, most agreed that it should have been handled with more care. Nevertheless, the administration was forced to face the fact of a short-fall in funding. "You don't want to cut anything, but when your budget is down, you have to. The athletic budget was cut by \$50,000. To make up for this, the coaches volunteered to work the games, we raised the ticket prices, cut down on busing, and had a 10 percent cut across the board. We were fortunate that we didn't have to cut any programs," concluded Athletic Director Del Cory.

Another change was the extended school year. First, administrators had to bring the issue to the teaching staff, and then decide how to best use the extra days. "It's going to take time for the staff to determine how to fully utilize the extra days. We are trying to evaluate what's happening. We can't get a true picture in just one year of the addition of 10 days," observed Superintendent Mark Maksimowicz. Most were of the opinion that the 190 day school year would be beneficial. "The most important part of education is teacher/student contact time. If we increase that time it should benefit

the students," Del Cory commented.

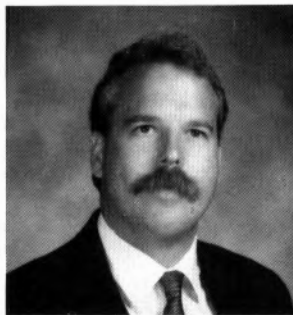
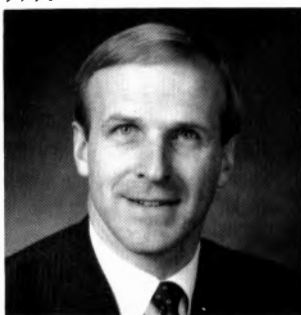
The administration also faced some changes. Hiring a new principal when Tom Davis became Assistant Superintendent was an opportunity to change top-down decision making and give the staff the choice. A first attempt at coming to-

gether to screen, interview and hire a candidate was a challenge and a learning process. In the end, Brian Templin took over the reins of administering the school.

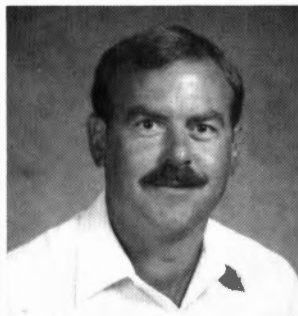
The administration's overall task was to find better ways to educate students, while at the same time maintain the quality of their education. By expanding classroom and office space, extending the school year, and dealing with finance reform, it was the administration's goal to improve the school system to the best of their ability.

**--Jada Bowden**





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Superintendent  
Thomas Davis, Principal  
Brian Templin,  
Assistant Principal



Nancy Haas,  
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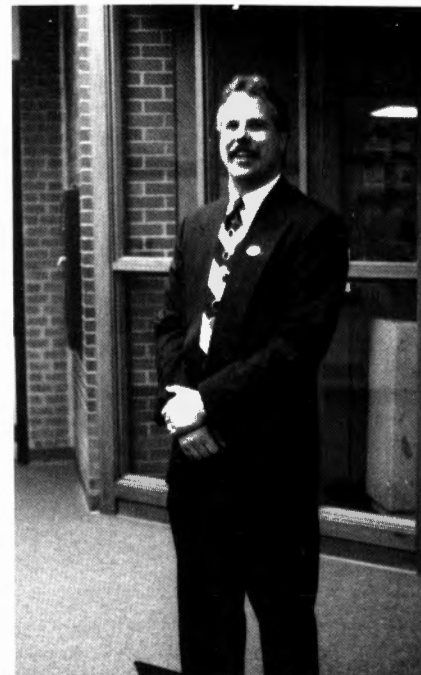


### Keeping in touch

"Other than MEAP tests, conferences and parent meetings, there aren't many opportunities for me to talk with parents. The Education Fair was a time when I could share the many interesting things happening at the High School," explained Assistant Principal Nancy Haas about the event on April 25.

### Stepping up

Maintaining friendly visibility in the hallways is new principal, Brian Templin. He competed for the position among three internal candidates and was chosen by staff and administration in an unprecedented process in which the faculty had full discretionary authority.





# New Twist on Life

## Jean Johnson

### Love of Sports and Students Mark Her Career

When Jean Johnson's career led her to Holt in 1967, she brought with her a love of sports and six years of teaching experience. She arrived from Bay City Central, where she had both grown up and taught. "When I came to Holt I was scared. I was coming to a new place and leaving behind Bay City Central and the friends I had there," she confided. She quickly found a friend in French teacher, Norman Garnett, who was also new that year. The two did more than brave their new surroundings together. They proceeded to make their contributions to teaching and learning.

As a Physical Education instructor, Jean wrote what still stands as the tenth grade P.E. curriculum. She was also the Girls Varsity Basketball coach for eight years. Under her direction, the Rams achieved consistently winning records.

As the years passed, Jean's passion for sports became more and more apparent. Desiring to make available to girls the same activities that the guys enjoyed, she was the driving force behind starting the Girls' Swim team, Track team, Softball team, and Volleyball team. She also began a bowling league consisting of 12 teams, but had to end it after four years due to complications scheduling lanes.

At age 55, Jean faced difficulties teaching P.E. because of knee problems. "I knew that the time would come when I would have to give it up," Jean explained. "I was fortunate to have held out so long." Wisely, she had prepared for this moment by getting her Masters degree in counseling. "I wanted to be a counselor so that I would know the appropriate things to say to kids when they told me their problems. I like to see kids happy and improving their lives," related Jean. She applied for a position as a school counselor, and in 1991,

was added to the counseling staff. From that point on, she has been a friend to many students. She has helped kids with problems ranging from locating financial aid for college



Counselor and former P.E. instructor, Jean Johnson helps with scheduling. In retirement, she looked forward to community and church activities.

to mediating between parents and students. "Miss Johnson doesn't treat you like a little kid. She takes the time to listen to your problems and come up with a solution that would best benefit you," stated junior Vanessa Spencer. "Miss Johnson is trustworthy and caring. Her listening ear is a sign to me that she likes her job," added junior Kim Welsh.

Upon leaving, Miss Johnson will remain active in her community. She will continue to teach her Sunday school class and sing in the choir at the Lansing South Church of the Nazarene. After teaching for 26 years, Jean has touched the lives of thousands of people. "I think the best part of teaching is when I go out into the community and see kids I've taught who are happy and have families and good jobs. It's rewarding to know that I have had a part in their lives," she concluded.

--Jada Bowden

## Jean Mooney

### Dedication of Math Teacher Shines Through

The name Jean Mooney has meant the quiet dispenser of mathematics knowledge at the High School for the past 25 years. She will be retiring after over two decades of dedicated service to the school district. Mrs. Mooney has dealt with the frustrations of high school students through every subject from Geometry to Pre-Calculus, and in the process, her students have come to appreciate her caring personality and dedication.

Jean Mooney's soft-spoken approach to teaching was one that touched many people, teachers and students alike. Senior Jamie Byrens reflected, "I really loved her. She was the nicest person. It upsets me when some people would try to take advantage of her soft side. She cared about her students a lot. The school just won't be the same without her."

Social Studies teacher Jerry Gillett whose room was just next door to hers for the past five years grew to depend upon her steady manner. Unlike his noisy neighbors on the Northrup side, there were never any troubles with the other end. "I would've been lost without Jean. I always went to her to know when and where we had to go for assemblies and other activities. We had very similar views on education, also. She was a great person to talk to."

Touching upon her relationship with students, custodian Betty Bollinger observed, "She was kind, considerate, conservative and had a sense of humor. Kids never really shocked her. She accepted students for who they were and let them be themselves. There was always a student in her room getting help or making up work. She took her job seriously and kids seriously."

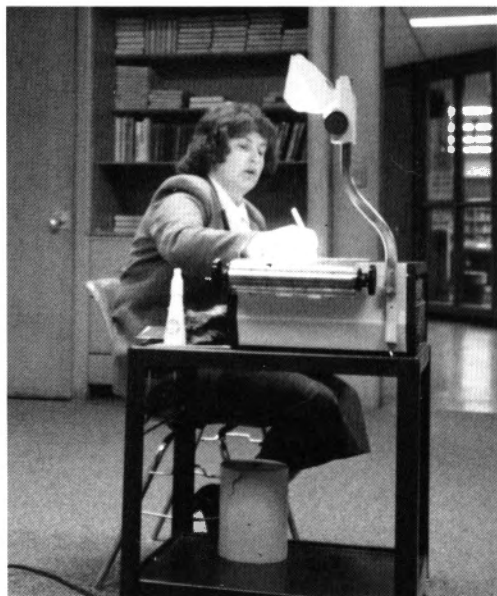
Getting the subject of Math across to students was difficult at times and students appreciated the empathy she showed them. "Mrs. Mooney is the most memorable teacher I've had in high school. She is very caring. If someone asks her a question, she'll help them figure out which equation to use or help them do the problem and, at times, confirm the answer. That way fewer people become frustrated with the class and can see her process and apply it on other problems. She's the best and she drives a cool car," stated senior Mike Murphy.

Most of the time students saw Jean Mooney



### "Write this down..."

Presenting math lessons to her class, teacher Jean Mooney imparted her knowledge with much patience. Seniors remembered this in the spring by selecting her to speak at their Commencement ceremony.



### Tootsie, well kinda...

Showing her school spirit by dressing up for Opposite Sex Day during Spirit Week is Math teacher Jean Mooney.

as the typical woman of theorems and postulates, but on occasion they also saw her unique side. To them she was also the stylish owner of a 1993 cherry red Mazda RX-7. Even though she never exceeded the speed of 75 mph, she had a youthful side. Dressing up on Opposite Sex Day during Spirit Week and in many other ways, she shared her enthusiasm and humor with her classes. Leaving the classroom behind, Mrs. Mooney's enthusiasm was focused on travel and her family. She looked forward to her retirement to enjoy a new stage of life.

--Ed Murray

## Lila Guenther Indefatigable Instructor and Coach

In the fall of 1970 Lila Guenther walked down the brown and gold hallways on her way to a new career. Ms. Guenther taught math for nine years and then, wanting a change, she started teaching physical education. She has been teaching it for the past 18 years. Lila confided, "I like teaching physical education because I get to work with kids and have fun doing it. I really enjoy the students that are hard working, and don't whine about everything that they are supposed to do."

Lila didn't participate in any sports when she was in high school, but she was an achiever academically earning A's and B's when report cards were handed out.

An open mind was one of Ms. Guenther's many traits that often went overlooked and at times, she seemed tougher than she really was. Lila stated, "One of my major goals is standing up for what I believe in and not following the crowd, just because it seems right at the moment. In the classroom, I like working with the quiet students who aren't always protesting and trying to be noticed."

Ms. Guenther has meant a lot to her colleagues and students.

Teaching math with her was a memorable experience for Jean Mooney. She commented, "I will miss her upbeat and supportive attitude. Retirement will give her a chance to venture out and pursue her outside interests."

Retirement represented a form of freedom to Ms. Guenther. She will enjoy doing different things. But she leaves with a few words of wisdom. Ms. Guenther shared, "The best advice I could give anybody would probably be to believe in yourself. If you try and give it your best, you shouldn't care about what other people think. Just keep in mind that the popular opinion or view isn't always the right

one." She had a very understanding and concerned attitude that reflected towards her students who took initiative and tried to do their job as students.

Getting lost in the crowd had never been a problem for Ms. Guenther. Spotting her across the Breslin Center at MSU basketball games was easy for her colleague Juanita Grew. Miss Grew explained, "Although I've known her for 20 years, I've gotten to know her better the past 10 years. We often shared 'dreams' and laughs in January about far off June,



Imparting strategy and words of encouragement to her 1990 Varsity Basketball team is Coach Lila Guenther. One of the jobs she liked most was coaching and working with the players. She commented, "I enjoyed most watching young ladies grow emotionally and socially, as well as, developing their physical skills."

waves at Breslin Center while attending M.S.U. basketball games, and groans over snow on track days. Also, I often 'hit' her when she got back from some lovely vacation spot while I was stuck here or somewhere else less desirable. I will really miss her smiles and laughs, her wit and sense of humor." After 24 years, Ms. Guenther is traveling on and doing the things that she enjoys most--trips to the Caribbean and all 50 states.

--Rheanna Abbott



# New Turn on an Old Twist

*Ron Allen*

## Showman's Final Curtin Call

**M**usic Man  
Explaining the next selection at a Choir Concert is Director Ron Allen. He enjoyed bringing kids and music together during the 157 concerts he staged in his career

The music, laughter, fun, and dedication that Choir Director Ron Allen brought to the High School for 37 years is coming to an end. Over the years Mr. Allen entertained audiences with his choir, drama and musical presentations. For nearly four decades he instructed 7,600 students, directed 153 concerts, 37 musicals, and 24 plays. His reaction to the accomplishment was simple, "It's been great!"

After graduating from Michigan State University, Mr. Allen began teaching Music, Math and Michigan History in 1954 in Ortonville near Flint. In 1955, he was drafted into the army and stationed in Germany. There he played in the Army Band, sang in a quartet and played the tuba traveling through Europe. Shortly after, in 1957, he returned to Holt to be near his family. "I wanted to be in a small school system which Holt was in 1957 with only 400 students in grades 9 through 12," he explained. "I stayed in Holt all this time because I like the small town atmosphere and the down-to-earth attitudes of the people."

His last musical was "The King and I." "I chose this one because it's one of my favorites. It has a beautiful, true story and, of course, a classic Broadway score."

The effort and inspiration that Mr. Allen brought to the High School will not be forgotten at year's end. The memories that he helped create for many students will last a lifetime. "I remember all the bloopers and good times that

we had in the plays and I would like to thank Mr. Allen for all the hard work, dedication, and patience he gave to the cast," related senior Matt Cook. "When I look back on my high school years I will remember Mr. Allen and the care he gave to what he was doing," reflected senior Lisa Telfer.

The feelings were mutual as Mr. Allen shared, "I love kids and I love music. I think I've been very fortunate to have spent so much of my life getting the two together." When the last note of the piano rang through the auditorium it would be the memories and dedication that were brought to that stage over the years that lived on. Senior Marina Katsiris summed up the feelings of many students when she stated, "Thank you Mr. Allen. We will miss you."

*--Kathleen Jennings*

**P**hantom of the Opera  
Caught in a pensive moment of reflection is Director Ron Allen during play practice.



**G**et it right!  
During a dress rehearsal, Ron Allen takes stock of students' performances. A man for details, he spent many hours behind the scenes with make-up, costuming, lighting, choreography and creating elaborate set designs for his productions.



**P**iano Man  
Leading the male tenors in a piece from "Les Miserables" is Choir Director Ron Allen in practice during his fifth hour class for the Fall Concert.





## Lowell Rudd

# Extends the Boundaries of Students' Minds

Finishing up his thirty-fifth teaching year, Science teacher Lowell Rudd revealed, "I wouldn't be leaving if they hadn't offered me a deal I couldn't refuse. The Irish in me said, stay for the rest of my life, and the German in me said, grab the money and run." Mr. Rudd was referring to the state's new retirement policy which offered incentives and opportunities to retire early.

Lowell Rudd was well-known among his students for his cerebral antics and beliefs. One of his most famous clichés was "Tell me something I don't know!" Though that may not have been possible, there were a few other things that everyone would remember about him.

Mr. Rudd graduated from Holt High School in 1951. A few years after graduating he returned to visit one of his favorite Chemistry teachers for help on his college Chemistry assignments. The Superintendent at the time, came in and asked Lowell if he would be able to teach a sophomore level Chemistry class. The year was 1959 and though teaching was not what he had planned to go into, he accepted and took the 90-day course that was required to become a teacher at that time. He started the following year teaching Chemistry full time, not realizing what he had begun.

Though at times, the thought pattern of Lowell Rudd was hard for some students to follow, he always had a lesson at hand and knew exactly what he was talking

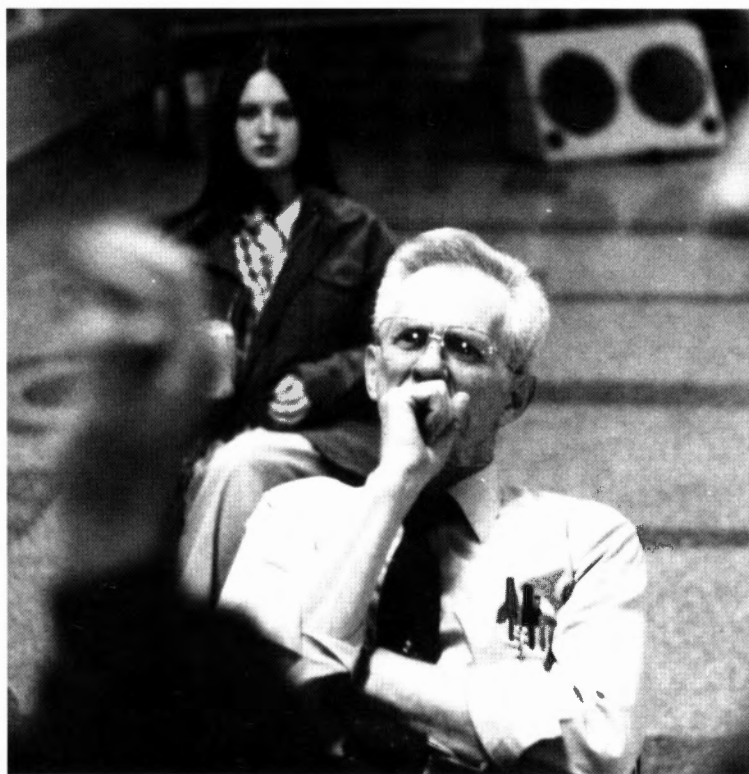
about. And if students thought they could get away with cheating and skipping class, they were only fooling themselves, not this master of detecting excuses. Mr. Rudd could very easily pick the bull from the truth.

He could part with much wisdom to an incoming new teacher. He advised, "Take the job seriously. It's not just playing around with a bunch of kids. It's hard work, and it takes a lot of patience to relate to students and to know how they best learn. In fact, you spend a lot of time learning yourself."

In retrospect, it would be nice to remember Mr. Rudd's other accomplishments such as the janitorial and plumbing work he did for his son's business, H & R Machining and all the help he gave teacher Dave Foy with his science and chemistry classes.

Foreign exchange student Espen Parmann from Norway revealed, "Integrated Science is one of the classes that I learned a lot in. Mr. Rudd took the time to make sure that everyone understood something before he would move on to the next subject."

When it came to relating to students, Mr. Rudd seemed to have the knack for getting through with a lesson that really meant something. According to junior Ben Bakken, "I thought he was a good teacher, maybe kind of confusing, but he still always knew what he was talking about. Sometimes when I'd ask him a question I thought he was just rambling on, but



by the time he was done with his explanation, I'd realize how smart he was and that I had actually learned a valuable lesson."

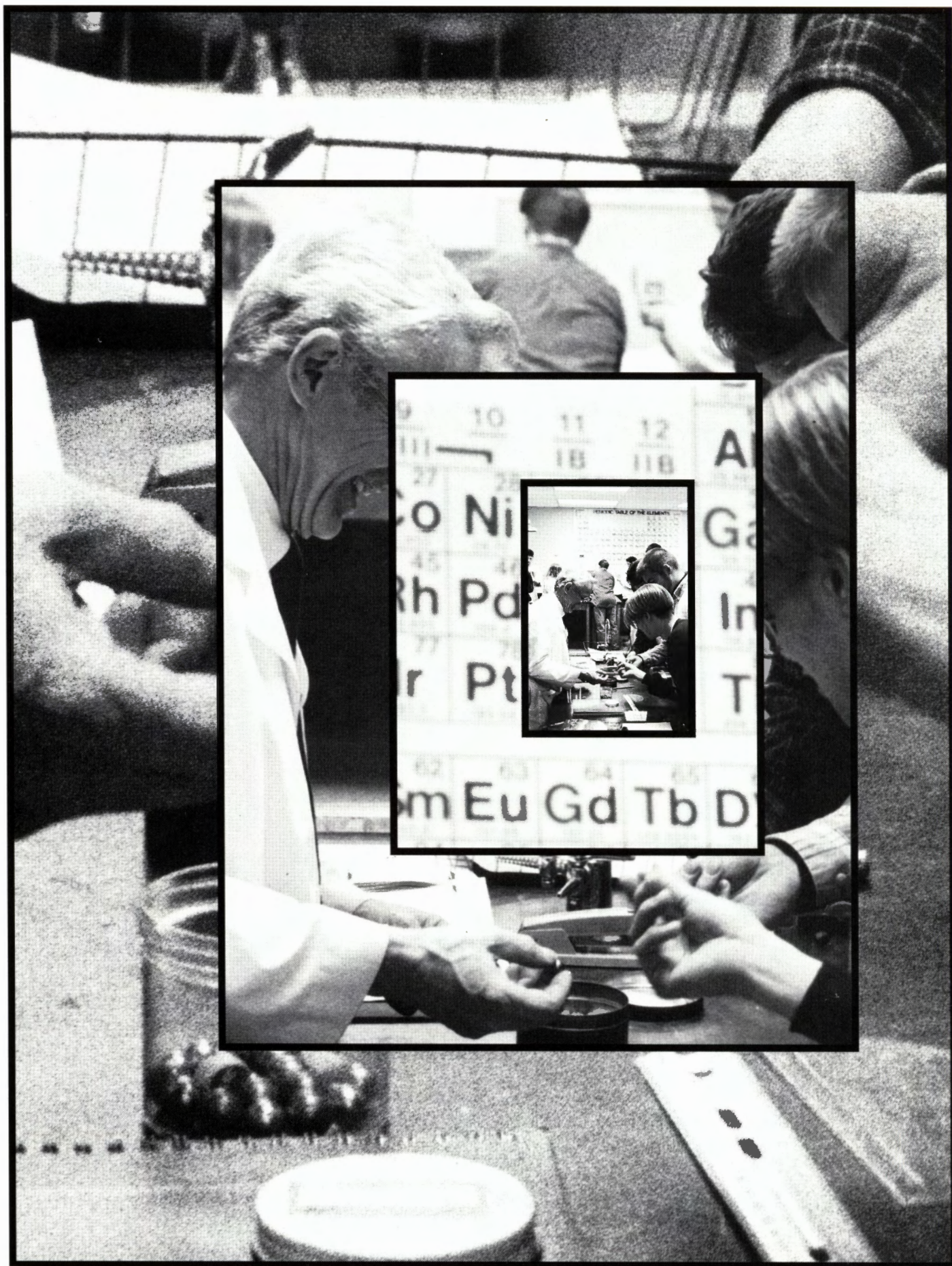
One of the most important aspects of being a teacher was truly enjoying the job. Members of Rudd's classes observed this quality in his manner, always with a smile and an occasional chuckle when asked a question. Junior Nikki Hoagland noted, "Mr. Rudd seemed to really enjoy teaching and that made class more interesting. He didn't just tell you what to do he helped you work through it. Class is easier to sit through when you have a teacher who really cares if you learn. Mr. Rudd really seemed to have a lot to teach people." --Heather Miner

**D**eep in thought  
Contemplating a student's words at the Yearbook Dance is Science teacher Lowell Rudd. He attended yearly to talk with graduates and catch up on the news.



**Y**oung at heart  
Rumored to have invented the wheel and possibly discovered fire, Science teacher Lowell Rudd is an important role model for the inquisitive mind as shown here conducting a velocity experiment in Physics lab. Recently his curriculum efforts ranged to interdisciplinary work in Integrated Science and Global Studies.







The school year hummed with the excitement of many new beginnings and almost as many fond farewells. Teachers Ron Allen, Lila Guenther, Jean Johnson, Jean Mooney and Lowell Rudd turned in their chalk and gradebooks for the retired life while many student teachers found themselves on the high wire picking up where the last generation left off. ■ In the classroom, Guil Northrup's Consumer Economics classes once again got their circuits crossed during the annual sales war, but this time, the stakes were based on necklaces of companies like Rope on a Throat, The Golden Bead and Bead It instead of the usual T-Shirts.

# Wired

Marketers were all pushing to get their products around the neck of the student body. ■ In English classes, many students were able to unwind at their word processors as many new and old writing classes geared up for another exciting literary year. Teacher Bruce Kutney worked on the new

buzzword in education, portfolios, in his fledgling Senior Writing Seminar. The writing classes, as well as other departments, had an easier job of things due to renovations and technology packages provided by the 1991 bond issue. ■ As the school year extended to 190 days, extra time was taken up in new Advisory sessions which met three Wednesdays each month. Eighteen students were brought together to discuss issues facing the school and today's youth while providing time to work on state-mandated portfolios. Bringing mixed reaction, the culminating Advisory event, Field Day, saw most everyone plugged into the spirit of the competition.

## Tuned In

Helping seniors Kevin Brooks and Brandon Oks with a Physics lab experiment is teacher Lowell Rudd. Devoting 35 years to extending the boundaries of students' minds in Science, Mr. Rudd retired at the end of the school year. He did not plan to stay on the sidelines of education, but remain wired to his favorite pursuit working with PDS projects part time in the fall.



# Shakespeare Revised

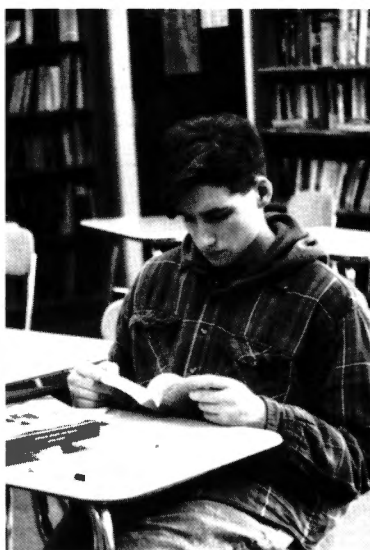
## *A Contemporary Approach to the Writing Process*



*"All writing  
is creative,  
but we're  
looking  
to improve  
writing with  
forms other  
than essays."*

*--Amy Galligan*

**Communications Arts**



### ***Let There Be Light***

Enjoying a brief but sunny reprise from the winter-time blues are seniors Kathy McGroarty and Janet Maki. The two enjoyed time in the halls working on their writing portfolios. At times, it was nice to have a break from the regular classroom atmosphere.

### ***Open Minded***

Reading an assignment for Bruce Kutney's Senior Writing Seminar is senior Phil Keyer. The pilot class gave students the chance to spread their literary wings and take off.

Each spring, if one listened carefully enough, the sounds of collective groans of thousands of sophomores and juniors struggling with the trials and tribulations of deciding next year's schedule could be heard. One of the toughest decisions was choosing the right English class. Many students looked for something different than the usual Literature and Composition.

Some students felt that essay writing had some limitations in that it was usually to please just one teacher while a more focused style of writing could be directed to larger audiences. Classes like Amy Galligan's Creative Writing, Bruce Kutney's Senior Writing Seminar, and Ann Paul's Publications and Journalism classes provided a place where students could do writing that was geared to their individual tastes.

All of these classes put a heavy emphasis on working with one's own ideas, the revision process, and peer editing, as opposed to more conventional assignments which involved reading a piece and then writing a traditional response. In the more specialized writing classes, students learned to take the writing process from beginning to end and have assessment input other than from their teacher. "We want to put the enjoyment back into high school writing," claimed Amy Galligan. "All writing is creative, but we're looking to improve writing with forms other than essays."

All of the writing classes provided more independence. "I can decide what I want to write," said senior Janet Maki about Senior Writing Seminar. "It's rewarding to set my

own curriculum and follow it to end up with a quality piece of writing." In the Senior Writing Seminar, students wrote a piece from any genre of their choosing and then critiqued it in a "Writer's Circle." This was a place where everyone in the class read the pieces and gave feedback to the writer. After this peer editing, the student finished up the piece and placed it in a portfolio which was developed throughout the year to chart their growth as writers.

In the Publications and Journalism classes, students spent time writing copy for the newspaper or the yearbook and then learned to program it on computers and sent it to printers for publication. "The students have to learn to rewrite and rewrite a piece until it's of publishable quality," explained teacher and adviser Ann Paul. "However, students first need to learn how to recognize what's interesting and news worthy in the world around them." As opposed to the other two classes, Publications and Journalism didn't emphasize creative or expository styles of writing, but instead required more constructive news and human interest feature styles that forced students to see the unusual aspects of a story, get quotes, research background information, and then weave the whole thing together in an intelligent way.

Whether it was for a newspaper or a college bound portfolio, there were forms of writing for almost any taste. With a little investigation, the usual scheduling groans of annoyance became sighs of relief.

*--Matt Kelly*





### ***Irreconcilable Differences***

Finishing their portfolio's for Bruce Kutney's Writing Seminar class are seniors Ed Murray and Dustin Gould. Ed spent the day dressed as a girl for Winter Spirit Week while Dustin stuck with his "grunge" style flannels. The dynamic writing duo were intent on having a good time while working to achieve their maximum writing potential in the first year pilot class.

### ***Where to Begin...***

Trying out the new G-hall are juniors Megan Ketchum and Katie Crispin. Megan elected to take Beginning Publications and spent much of her class time in the hallways interviewing for her copy. Once she got her information and quotes, Megan would return to write her story for the year-book.



### ***In Focus***

Catching up on a little classical Greek philosophy is senior Dave Milligan in Creative Writing class. Students discovered the comforts of reading in the sun in the new building addition.



### ***Sunny Delight...***

Working in the D-hall are seniors Jamie Lawrence, Jake Gingrich, Catie Rashid, Michelle Cummings, and

Mandy Bowler. The students were all in Amy Galligan's fourth hour Creative Writing Class.



# New Kids on the Block

*"Seeing people leave, with more knowledge than they came, gives you a good feeling."*

*-Eric Pulver  
Physics teacher*



## **Shocking**

Working on a science experiment in a newly remodeled science room is senior Ali Beha.



## **Three of a Kind**

Keeping score at a JV and Varsity Girls' Volleyball game are ex-student teachers Lori Buwalda, Kelly Hodges and Heather Neiswonger. All three found teaching jobs at the High School after completing their student teaching here.



## New teachers perfect their practice

The stress of a full day's work, the excitement of being in charge, the feeling of satisfaction that they had made it this far, the joy of the class, and the constant demand of trying to find the right answers to teaching practice were faced day in and day out by new teachers. They had put in their years of schooling, survived student teaching, and now they were in control of the class for the entire year. But, there was still a lot to learn.

After all they had been through, what was so great about becoming a full-time teacher? "Seeing people leave, with more knowledge than they came, gives you a good feeling," explained Physics teacher Eric Pulver.

Overall, full time teachers had it much better than student teachers. Students felt that it was generally much easier to give a student teacher a hard time and get away with it because, they didn't know the ropes yet.

Student teaching was tough on both the students and the student teachers. Not only did the students have to deal with the everyday pressures and stress of high school, they also had to adapt to a teacher who was trying to get the hang of things. Though the students may have had it a little rough, the student teachers definitely, had it worse. Student teachers noted that they often had to fight for respect. Plus, there was always the feeling of not knowing what to expect. "The worst situations to deal with were helping students with personal problems like pregnancy and behavior," noted teacher Melissa Allmand.

Overall, however, most new teachers agreed that the experience of student teaching greatly prepared them for the road that lay ahead and that teaching was their field.

--Becky Paterick



### I Spy...

Looking at cells through a microscope in science class are sophomores Brian Gondeck and Steve Robedeau. Also new to the high school this year, sophomores could relate to the feelings of anxiety and excitement that new teachers may have felt in a new environment. They also were getting the hang of things.



### Science Mystery

Applying what they learn from the book to lab in Heather Neiswonger's Biology class are sophomores Laura Ososkie and Jay Gamet. A new addition to the teaching staff, Ms. Neiswonger also coached Science Olympiad and advised the Peer Assistance Listener group.



### Tweezer Time

Dissecting a fetal pig in Human Physiology class are sophomores Amanda Friar and Wendy Kirkham. The dissection was an experiment designed to extend students' knowledge from the text.



### Fresh Ideas

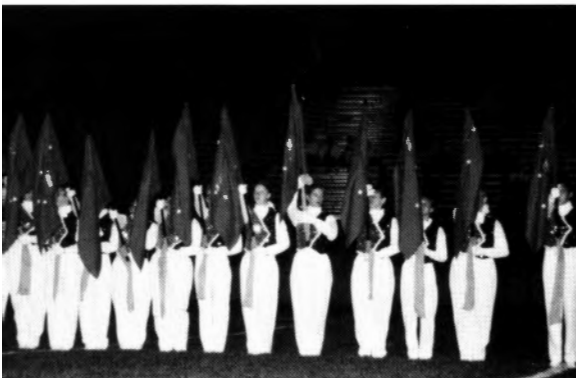
Explaining something in a Wednesday morning PDS Science Department meeting is Evette Vargaz. After finishing her student teaching, she planned to apply for jobs in the area.





***To the Beat of a Different Drum***

Boosting spirit during a pep assembly are drum corp members Adrienne Graham, Justin Godbehere, Jason Brisboe, and Aaron Reif.



***Hot Stuff***

Standing at attention is the flag corp. The group worked hard to light up the half time show at Varsity Football games.

***Step In Time***

Accompanying the Marching Band in the Homecoming Parade is Band Director Tim Parry. Ranking second largest in the state, the band had almost 90 sophomores alone.

***"Band is not one of those classes where you just sit down, do your work and you're done."***

***--Julie St. Onge***



***On Stage***

Playing a duet for the student body are seniors Amy Sullivan and Jay Coxon. The concert was held during a holiday assembly for students.



### *Practice Makes Perfect*

Preparing for the big concert moment are senior Gwen Fauser and the trombone section. Band classes met during fifth and sixth hour.



# High Strung

**7**here was never a dull moment in band. Members worked hard in class, but saved room for a little fun.

With 147 students, they weren't far from being the largest band around, ranking second in the state behind Traverse City. Approximately 90 sophomores, alone, entered the band with minds ready to be molded in musical ways and there was a lot to learn. "It was kind of tough with so many new kids. We had to teach them how to march, make sure they were loud and that they knew the music. They did well, considering it was their first year," commented seniors Kelly Bush and Kara Kragt.

Throughout the year, the students formed a special friendship. Senior Julie St. Onge related, "There's a certain bond between people in band. It's not one of those classes where you just sit down, do your work, and you're done. You have more opportunities to get to know people and who they really are." Senior Diana Bargy added, "The seniors are probably the closest because we started together. It's hard to know everybody, though,

because of the size of the band."

The jazz band was an especially tight-knit division. "Everybody is there because they want to be. The group has a lot of energy," observed senior Justin Godbehere. "Jazz band gives you an opportunity to play music you otherwise wouldn't get a chance to," stated sophomore Bryan Heany. The jazz band was probably known best for their performances at basketball games. However, they made several guest appearances throughout the year, including performances at the Lion's Club and the Holt Education Fair. On a couple of occasions they even went Christmas carolling around the Holt and Lansing area. "We went all over the place. Once, we stopped at Q106 and they put us on the air. Everyone seemed to like it. We helped to spread the Christmas cheer," claimed sophomore Adam Downey.

Concert band and jazz band weren't the only activities for students enrolled in the class. Marching band was where it all started, including Color Guard and Pom Pon's. Marching at the half time of Varsity Football

games was the focus. Junior Carrie Cole commented "It was fun being in flags and marching at halftime. I think that the Color Guard worked a lot harder than most people thought. However, I don't think as many people really noticed us until we changed the color of our flags. Now people say how good we look. I like that. It's nice to be noticed!"

Although band sounded like a class in which kids could just kick back and relax, band camp certainly was not. Students looking for fun and relaxation found it otherwise. Morning practices started at 10:00 a.m. and the day ended at 8:00 p.m. Practices wore out most everyone, and those who were not yet ready to crash at the end of the day usually spent their extra time being sociable. New friends weren't very hard to find in the group. "Band camp is a time we all get to know each other. You go in single and come out

with someone you really like," stated junior Sara Shook.

Looking forward to the year and the new sophomores was what kept band going. They were a sharp group, in the most positive sense of the word. --Jada Bowden, Megan Ketchum, Kari Reynolds



### *Toot Your Own Horn*

Playing baritone at a student concert is senior Dave Milligan. The concert was held during a holiday assembly program before Winter break.



# Going with the 'New' Flow

*"Students are more positive because the new rooms look and feel nicer. They feel better about their school and themselves."*

*--Teacher*

*Heather Neiswonger*

Senior linebacker Mike Cook had to reacquaint himself with the school he once knew. "I had two years riding on being king. I woke up to find myself a know-nothing again. No longer exempt from the opening-day sophomore confusion, I was now a contributing factor." For Mike, coping with new hallways and renumbered rooms was a small problem resulting from the summer renovation work on the High School. There wasn't much of a sophomore reaction. New was new, while junior and senior reactions were more vocal. One or two years were already invested in the building for them.

"The school looks much better, though there's still more to do, like repave the student parking lot. The hall colors are a better match now. The car-

pet is cool, plus the lockers have shorter shelves," noted junior Amy Zehnder.

The interior update was simply a fraction of the reform completed on the school during the summer. The new addition was part of the expanding project by the district to accommodate an increasing student population. During the summer, a new wing of 12 classrooms was constructed, new lockers and windows installed, floors recarpeted and office, science, art and technology areas renovated. Feverishly, staff, administrators and work crews labored in the final moments before the opening of school on August 23 to bring the facility to readiness. Logistics were tested by the earlier starting date resulting from the extended school year.

In many ways, the renova-

tion did more than spruce up the space, it also affected the learning environment. Junior Dana Dillon observed, "The new addition brightens up the school day with updated architecture and colors. I can stay focused instead of getting tired with those drab, dreary colors." The staff also felt the new environment affected students' attitudes toward learning. "Students are more positive because the new rooms look and feel nicer. They feel better about their school and themselves," noted Science teacher Heather Neiswonger. Principal Brian Templin agreed concluding, "I think that the upgrading of the building gives students something to take pride in."

*--Dustin Gould,  
Kathleen Jennings*



## Outdoor Oasis

Among the renovations was the addition of the D-hallway wing and the courtyard between it and the Library. The courtyard was a place students could escape to, and was one of the most used and prized upgrades.



# Alternating Current



## Motor Man

Preparing a piece of wood for its transformation into a Concept 2000 vehicle is senior Jason Greenman. Technology classes taught in the newly renovated area, helped prepare students for new fields of learning.

## Picture Perfect

Channeling their creative energy in Art Seminar are juniors Yvonne Gibbs, Jamie Roy, Christina Anderson, and senior Amanda Lang. The renovation made the art rooms more spacious and unique with high loft ceilings and angled walls.



## Group Work

Patiently preparing for a group presentation in Pete Kressler's Honors American History class are sophomores Marie Ryckman, Angela Hays, and Elaine Christofilis. Kressler's classroom in the new addition had the advantage of a nice atmosphere over last year's make shift room in the library. The advantage there, of course, was convenience to research resources.

The high school took a leap into the future with new technology installations funded by a 1991 bond issue providing 3.5 million dollars to the district for technical items. The High School portion included networking to classrooms, a classroom computer for every teacher, telephone jacks, media retrieval, and CD ROM.

Media retrieval consisted of networking between high school classrooms and the library, the State of Michigan Library, and Michigan State University Library. On October 25, TV monitors and remote controls were installed in classrooms with cable networks.

There were many advantages to the technology and a few down sides. "A big disadvantage is the loss of the regular card catalog," commented librarian Mary Gray. "The card catalog has been completely replaced by a computer system. If a glitch were to happen, the catalog could be lost for a few minutes to a few days." There were also problems with security, legalities and copyright laws.

The pluses, however, far outweighed the minuses. Locating books occurred almost instantly in the new computerized catalog. If

students could not remember the title or author's name, they could type a word or two that they did know into the computer and it would search for the title. Another advantage was the computerized attendance and grade record-keeping which would be mandatory for staff when the system was operational.

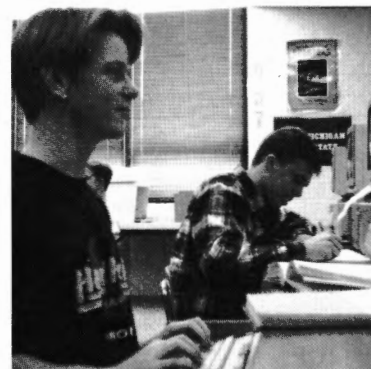
In the future, as more and more households get personal computers with modems, students would also be able to use their computer to access library resources and receive homework assignments when they were ill.

Another issue taken up was the training of teachers and students on how to use the new hardware and software. A few teachers volunteered to help run a program called, "A Trainer Teaching a Trainer." They learned how to use the equipment and software programs, and in turn, taught five other staff members. Holt schools were considered to be years ahead of other schools in technology implementation. "There are few schools where we are," said Consultant Tom Heath. "We are ahead of other area schools by at least five or ten years." **--Brian Cole**



## Type It Up

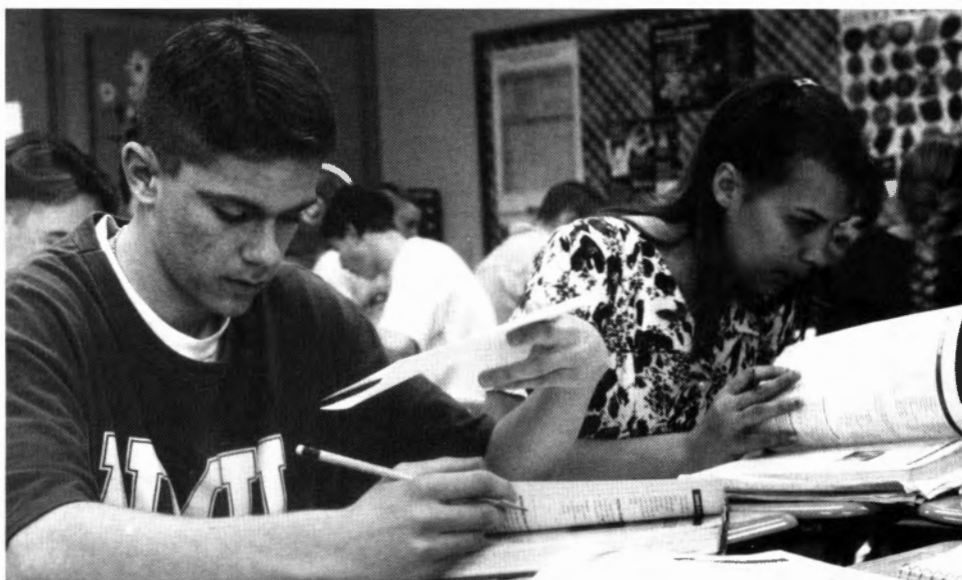
Working on a paper in the library after school is junior Lisa Costello. "I took the computer literacy class and it really helped me to find my way around computers," commented Lisa.



## Whiz Kids

Senior computer enthusiasts Ryan Barrett and Greg Setla work with Computer Consultant Tom Heath on technical maintenance of computer labs. Tom noted, "Ryan was very conscientious and worked hard. He had a good background on computers and the initiative to complete tasks."





### Deep Concentration

Pouring over the books in a group work assignment is junior Kim Witsaman.

## Words of Worth from Top Ten Seniors



**Laura L. Bonner**

"Society is getting much too complicated for those who don't set goals and try to achieve them. Sure there will be some that don't work out, but move on and reach for the future."



**Kelly A. Bush**

"Don't let anyone discourage you from your goals. If you have the drive, you can achieve anything you want to. And, always have fun."



**Michelle DeRose**

"If you never give up and try your best, things will always get better, and you can never fail."



**Lecana Hunter**

"I pick up pennies. Nobody seems to think they're worth much, and yet they add up. I didn't start picking them up until I read the essay, 'Seeing.' Notice and treasure the little things."



**Kara L. Kraag**

"It is important to take advantage of the academic opportunities given to you. You need to keep in mind your whole future, not just tomorrow, when making choices."



**Kathleen A. McGroarty**

"It is the courage to do your own thing which will make you successful. If you are true to yourself, you can't go wrong."



**April S. Reinke**

"Believe in yourself and your abilities. Set your goals and never lose sight of them. Take advantage of all the opportunities you get because they usually only come around once."



**Vanessa Thomas**

"It's important for people to hold onto their goals and believe in themselves enough to pursue them. It makes me sad to see people lose sight of their dreams and give up on themselves."



**Chandra Wheeler**

"Don't be afraid to try new things or go to new places. Don't get C's when you can get A's. Just don't settle for what you are when you can be more."



**Elizabeth Veldman**

Liz participated in the Honors Science Program, Debate Club, Multicultural Club, Shared Vision Committee, Youth Progressive Action Committee and was an MSU lab assistant.

## Tests of Choice... Direct Feedback

With mounting anxiety, students checked their watches. Fifteen more multiple choice questions to bubble in on the chemistry exam. Quickly they rushed through the final questions and checked to make sure the test had been filled in completely. Time was up and all the tests were in.

Because tests were so important, their form and way they were corrected also became very important to students. Even with the speed of expanded technology and computer graded exams, most students and teachers agreed that direct feedback tests were more effective. These included the more involved forms of short answer, essay or oral testing, as opposed to forms that could be computer scanned. Such reasons as partial credit, more than one right answer and having the questions and answers on the same paper had brought many to favor direct feedback. "I like direct feedback tests because you learn more. You know exactly what you did wrong and you know what to fix in the future," stated junior David Pratt.

Many teachers were in favor of them also. "You don't know what a student knows nor can you see their thought process unless they show their work," commented Math teacher, Greg Bird. "With direct feedback tests, the teacher can change the questions to fit the individual needs and understanding of the classes," added Social Studies teacher, Bill Savage.

Another interesting angle on assessment was approached by Math teacher Michael Lehman. Because the new math standards emphasized reasoning instead of computation, he gave oral exams instead of standard written exams. He believed that with oral exams communication could be combined through oral speech, symbols, and writing. "Some people are good at writing, some at explaining and some at working the actual problems out—doing the math part. This gives them all an opportunity," explained Mr. Lehman. Many of the students who had his classes also enjoyed this type of exam. One prime reason was because none of the material was new. It was taken from projects that had been assigned and graded earlier in the semester. "If you kept up with your work throughout the semester, there wasn't a lot to study. In other classes you have big exams to cram for, but with this one you can just review your projects and then sit back and wait for the day to come," explained senior Mike Kuebler. Although most were in favor of direct feedback, computer scanned tests had a positive side. Just think, the chemistry test could be returned graded the next day, and the teacher would have had time to just sit back and relax! **--Becky Paterick**

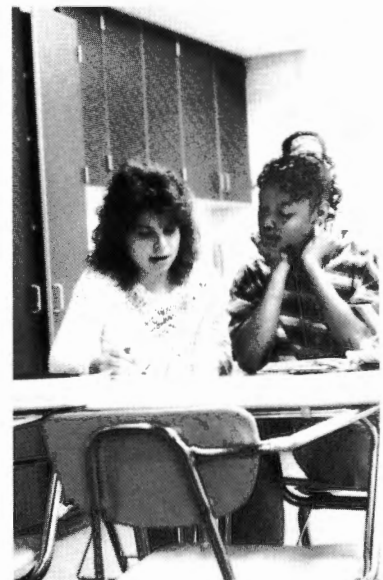


# Get It Down Pat



*"I like direct feedback exams because you learn more. You know exactly what you did wrong and what to fix in the future."*

*--Junior David Pratt*



## ***Help from a Friend***

Getting some extra help from teacher Beth Berwald with her math is sophomore Tamiko Jones.

## ***Keeping Up with it All***

Completing a class assignment in the Library is senior Christina Christofilis. Conscientious students worked to keep up on their studies.



## Bulls and the Bears

Catching up on the daily price of their stocks are seniors Scott Johnson and Lee McRae in Guil Northrup's Consumer Economics class. Students worked on both sales and stock market projects each quarter.

## Up 4 points!

Checking out his scores on his print-out in Guil Northrup's Consumer Economics class is senior Brandon Oaks. The class played Eco-pen, a computer game that helps students understand the stock market.



## Full of Hot Air

Filling balloons for Frank Bernier's Consumer Economics class is senior Jamie Lawrence. The class sold balloons as a company.

You've all seen the countless number of ads plastering the hallways. Rope on a Throat, The Golden Bead, Just Bead It, and of course, the amusing caricatures of the friendly security staff. Perhaps you caught a glimpse of the truck heavily painted with Rope on a Throat advertisements cruising around town. Or listened in as Ali Beha portrayed Simon from "Saturday Night Live" to advertise the Golden Bead on the morning announcements. You may wonder, if you're not a senior, "What's this all about?". Well, it's the bi-annual Consumer Economics Wars.

Every year the Consumer Economics classes form their own companies and sell products of their choice usually competing with other classes. This year, Guil Northrup's classes sold necklaces and Bill Savage's class sold T-shirts. Much work had to be done to form these companies. First, each class elected a president along with a board, or vice presidents, secretaries and

treasurers to run the company. Then, the decision of what product to sell was made. President of Bullshirts, Mary Mutty, explained, "We voted and took a survey to decide what product we wanted to sell. We decided on T-shirts because they have been successful in the past and the caricatures of security guards relate our product to the school." One of the hall monitors, Claudia Baisel claimed, "It didn't bother me. It's a joke and I have a sense of humor about it."

All of Northrup's classes were assigned necklaces. "Our class was against it. We wanted to sell 'John W. Chichains,' (key chains), but the other classes wouldn't go for it and out voted us," recalled senior Dustin Gould.

After a product was decided upon, advertising was the next step. The classes used posters to advertise and they plastered the halls. "I designed ads and hung them up all over the school. We had a total of 800 ads and it only cost about \$7.00. Our advertising was effective, but I think the appeal of our product was what made it sell," revealed Teresa Reynolds, Advertising Manager of Chain Gang which sold The Golden Bead.

Next, orders were taken for the products. "Sales and management were pretty good for all the companies, and partici-

## Cashin' In

Picking up cans in residential areas for a Consumer Economics project are seniors Jennie Vanlerberghe and Gregg Hayslette. The cans were recycled at Carl's Supermarket in Dimondale.

pation was better than average. We had good organization and all classes were able to put together a rather novel product," observed Northrup.

After the sales were completed and products were distributed, it was time for the money to be counted. President of Bead It, Greg Setla confessed, "We broke even and I feel lucky that we did. We didn't market very strong and should have sold more during school. We also didn't have enough demos to show people." President of Chain Gang, Ali Beha, was happy to say, "We made a pretty good profit and were able to get back 85% yield on our stock." Bead It was able to make a small profit. "For all the hard work I wish we would have done better," commented Erin Oakley. The profit went back to the stockholders and towards a class pizza party.

Bullshirts was the last company to complete its sales. "I believe Bullshirts were the best by far. Adam Newberry's design was creative and kids seemed to like it," revealed Bullshirt employee Heather Watters.

Was Bullshirts successful? Did they get back a higher profit yield than the Chain Gang? When all the receipts were tallied, it was The Golden Bead that won the Consumer Economics sales war.

--Katie Roessler



# We Just Want Your Money!

*Heated rivalries turn economics into a showdown*



***"Sales and management were pretty good for all the companies and participation was better than average. We had good organization and all the classes were able to put together a rather novel product."***

***--Guil Northrup***



## ***Group Work***

Researching a project in Consumer Economics class are Michelle Cummings and Dan Story.

## ***Cruisin' for Cans***

Collecting cans for an Economics class project is Katie Roessler.



## ***Move Over Henry Ford***

Making paper airplanes in fourth hour Consumer Economics class are Mike Crawford and Jack Becker. The two were part of an assembly line to show how productive multiple workers can be.



# In the Spotlight



## Final Applause

Clapping at the final performance of *Harvey* are senior three year play veterans Shannon Hoekwater, Christy Ewen, Lisa Telfer, and Jim Coe.

***'Drama has helped me to speak publically and memorize better, and improved my teamwork and leadership skills. I have learned to read the tone of crowds and their reaction to me.'***

***--Senior Jim Coe***



## Cut!

Brushing up on their lines during a dress rehearsal for the Fall Play, *Harvey* are senior acting veterans Christy Ewen and Matt Cook.

## He Did What?

As Vetta Louise, senior Amy Decker answers the phone to find out what stunt her brother had pulled in a scene from *Harvey*.

**A**lthough there had been much hype about how this was the last year for Ron Allen's musicals, what many people didn't remember was that it was also his last year for plays. And it seemed he had decided to go out with a bang. The Fall Play was all about a nice middle aged man who saw a big white rabbit by the name of "*Harvey*." The female lead was played by senior Amy Decker, and the male by senior Matt Cook. Come show time, Matt had little difficulty getting into his character. In fact he might have had a harder time getting out of it. "Before I went on stage I would always focus on who the character was and how he acted and moved. I would then walk around talking and acting like him. The problem came when the play was over and I would still fall into that character. If it was a cool character, like Elwood, the voice and actions became a part of me that never seemed to leave."

The play was not without its common mistakes like senior Jim Coe calling Nurse Kelly, Lisa which was her real name, and Pete Kenyon just happening to call *Harvey* a "Big White Wabbit." And besides a minor disruption from a flying bat, the play went without a hitch. Junior Rachel Warfield liked it so much, she decided to go three times. She recalled, "The play was so good! Amy made a perfect Vetta Louise."

The second play that came out of the Maurice Pernert Auditorium was *Our Town*. This play was extra special to the cast because it gave them a chance to perform not only at night but also during the day for the Sophomore Class. The sophomores had been reading *Our Town* in English classes so this gave them the chance to see it." The cast was quite nervous to perform in front of their peers especially the sophomore performers. Christy Dewitt revealed, "It felt different. I wanted to do well so I didn't embarrass myself." It was also an experience for the audience. Rodney Knott who played George Gibbs in his class play said, "It was an interesting learning experience. I liked it." Jason Wagner who was Simon Stimson in his classroom production thought, "It's definitely alright. It's a lot better than reading the book!"

***--Peter Kenyon***



*"Viewing the audience as one person rather than many individuals has helped me relax on stage." --Peter Kenyon*



### *Drama Classes*

The class was intent on learning to project themselves and speak better to an audience. In order to attain their goal they tried many different things. Drama teacher Pam Klimenko noted, "These skills are necessary for students even if they do not plan to be an actor or actress someday. The skills can help them to better present themselves in every day life."

Drama classes spent a majority of their time on stage or in front of the class getting experience interacting spontaneously to situations and developing believable characters on stage. "Being a person who would like to pursue acting as a career, I find the class very beneficial. It has improved my ability to move around on stage and not seek to constantly steal the spot light," admitted junior Robert Chapin. Senior Lisa Telfer commented "I thought the class was helpful because of the extra acting practice I got through out the semester." Shannon Hoekwater who appeared in many plays also commented, "I enjoyed performing in front of people and getting into the role of who ever it was I was portraying."

Some students took the class, yet, did not participate in the school plays. Christa Pennel revealed, "I just like the class. It helps me get over my fear of talking in front of people and loosens me up in front of a crowd."

Skills one learned in drama classes would last for more than just the semester. The class helped take a student through high school and beyond.

*--Heather Miner*

### *What Was That Line?*

Rehearsing was the name of the game in school plays. Seniors Jenny Allen, as Emily Webb, and Matt Cook, as George Gibbs, go through the soda shop scene from the Winter Play, *Our Town*.

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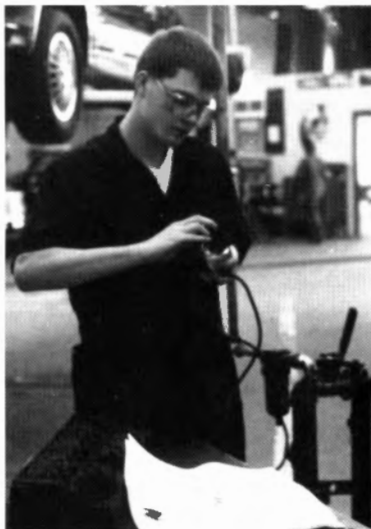


# Hotwire

*"I work in a service cluster with people from other schools and together we run a simulation of a restaurant. The class gives me more opportunities to apply what I learn than many classes offered at the High School."*

*--Bree Hurni*

*Capital Area Career Center*



## **Get it Together**

Trying his hand at automotive repair is senior Brock Matteson in the auto technology program at the Capital Area Career Center.

## **Minding Business**

Finishing up her latest project is senior Karen Kretzinger who spent her afternoons at the Career Center studying in a business cluster.



# A Different Kind of Education

**F**or some students, filling their schedule with electives offered at the high school was in their best interest. Others wanted more options in specialized fields. For some of these students, the Capital Area Career Center proved to be a profitable alternative. "I wanted to get away from the regular school schedule. The career center gave me the chance to train for a good job in a less structured environment," explained sophomore Jake Buckler.

The Career Center offered a total of 16 training programs. Auto body, automotive technology, construction trades, cosmetology, custodial services, graphics/visual imaging technology, health occupations, hospitality, and medical office occupations all provided students with a basic understanding of their chosen fields. "I work in a service cluster with people from other schools and together we run a simulation of a restaurant," related senior Bree Hurni. "The class gives me more opportunities to apply what I learn than many classes offered at the High School." Business careers and technology, drafting, electronics, laboratory sciences, machine tool technology, marketing, and welding technology were seven classes that provided students with the opportunity of earning college credit at Lansing Community College and Davenport College. "Right now I'm studying electronics, and I like it although, there is a lot of math. I would have gone for the college credit, but I'm not going to LCC," commented senior Mark Roberts.

Along with the technical training, students gained experience in many of the skills necessary for the ever changing job market. "We're all from different schools and have different backgrounds. There aren't the cliques you'd find in a regular classroom because we all have to work together. If one person messes up, the whole group has to pay for it," explained senior Serena Johnson. Junior Joel Kilgore added, "You have to know the stuff inside and out and be able to apply it every day. It's not like regular school where if you miss you can make it up. If you miss a day at the Career Center you really get behind."

Students who attended the Career Center received more than just an education from a book, they received hands-on training in a field of their choice. "I'm glad to have had the option of the career center," reflected junior Tim Kitching. "It has given me the opportunity to expand my knowledge of electronics."

**--Jada Bowden**



## See Ya!

Tuning into his computer monitor for precise calculations is senior Mike Clark in the Electronics program at the Career Center.



## In Perspective

Working on a drafting project is junior John Schopp who attended the Capital Area Career Center's Drafting program for afternoon classes.

**"I wanted to get away from the regular high school schedule. The Career Center gave me the chance to train for a good job in a less structured environment."**

**--Jake Buckler**



## Electrify!

Checking a piece of electronic equipment as part of his afternoon class assignment in Electronics at the Career Center is junior Matt Ordiway.



# Bringing the Masses Together



***"I wanted to see students take the initiative to make Advisory what they wanted it to be. The bottom line was that Advisory was for students, not teachers."***  
***--Teacher Heather Neiswonger***



## ***Fun, Fun, Fun***

Fighting to the end are Hung Tran, Jake Robins, Corey Mead, Shane Goddard, Brendan Hill, and Ryan LaFeve. The wheelbarrel race was just one event in the first high school Field Day sponsored by Advisory.

## ***Decision Makers***

Brainstorming during activity period are teacher Heather Neiswonger, Jason Boyer, David Resio, Becky Rodriguez, and Rob Underhill. Advisory Council was responsible for the planning of events such as Field Day.

On three Wednesday afternoons every month, students went to it. Some students and teachers dreaded it, some liked it, and some weren't quite sure what to think about it. Bringing the mixed reviews was Advisory period, a weekly 25 minute session that rotated with an activity period one Wednesday each month. A lot of students wondered why the newly assigned meeting time was created. Science teacher, Heather Neiswonger, explained, "It came out of discussions that have been going on for several years. Teachers and students wanted a group where kids could talk about a variety of topics and issues."

Each advisory group was composed of students from each grade. Teachers felt this could help sophomores adjust to high school by interacting with and gaining more insight from older students.

The other purpose of Advisory was to provide time to work on state-mandated portfolios. Assistant Principal Nancy Haas said, "Portfolios are intended to help organize proof of student accomplishments both inside and outside of school. They should be required for all students. It gives them a chance to exercise their own organizational skills, think critically about their work, their goals and what they plan to do with the rest of their life. The effect of portfolios on student futures depends on how seriously employers and universities take them and think to inquire about them." Things that students included were examples of their best school work, projects, writings, and awards they might have received as well as transcripts, and standardized test scores. Because portfolios showcased a student's best talents, college acceptance boards and employers could see at a glance the things that a student was capable of.

Possibly the best thing for students about Advisory was that it was for them. Ms. Neiswonger stated, "I wanted to see students take the initiative to make Advisory what they wanted it to be." Senior Ali Beha commented, "It's cool but it should be part of activity period. There should be an Advisory group that interested students could attend. It shouldn't be an institutionalized, mandated thing."

Advisory brought mixed reaction. However, portfolios could have a positive affect on one's future. And for sophomores and younger students, they could get help in career planning and decision making. They may also have gained more insight on high school life.

***--Dana Dillon***



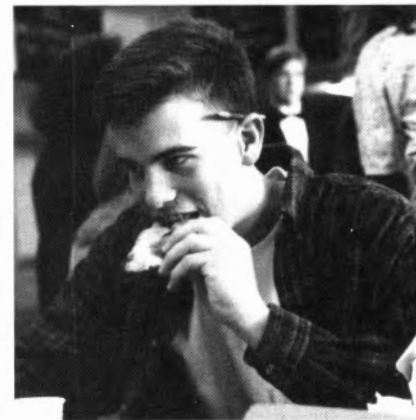
# In Unison



*'We won a pizza party for the most students wearing hats during Spirit Week. It was probably the best part of Advisory.'*

*-- Senior*

*Mike Looney  
at Advisory pizza party  
courtesy of Fat Boys*



## ***Oh Happy Day!***

Looking for a vacant spot on the bleachers on Field Day is junior Shanna Morden. "When I first heard we were having a Field Day, I thought, 'Why?' But afterward, I was glad we did. I think it increased the spirit of the students," she commented.

## ***Double Time...***

Discussing the idea of a longer lunch hour during Advisory are juniors Mike Hadley, Paul Stewart, Amy Zehnder, and Raquel Gonzales. The four were members of the Advisory Council which met during Activity Period to report the ideas and opinions of their Advisory groups.



## In Tune

Taking a break from choir practice are seniors Jennifer Allen and Missy Schopp. Jennifer played the lead in the Winter Play, *Our Town*.

## Presenting Tuptim

Making her entrance to the court of the King played by Jim Coe is Tuptim played by Lisa Telfer. Transporting her are sophomores Corey Mead and Corey Wong.

## Bow! Bow! Bow!

Portraying the lead role, the King of Bangkok, in the Spring Musical, *The King and I*, is senior Jim Coe

# Great Escape

## Students Create Another World in "The King and I"

**T**he King of Bangkok returned for the third and final time under the direction of Ron Allen in the Spring Musical. The first time was in 1968 and the scenery consisted of very simple back drops painted on a homemade curtain sewn by Mrs. Allen. The production was held on an old stage where the audience viewed it from folding chairs. Among the King's many children were three of Mr. Allen's sons.

In 1980 Mr. Allen did a make-over of the musical with new scenery and choreography. This time the cast even had an auditorium to perform in. Again the musical was filled with Allens.

His son Chris portrayed the crown prince and two of his grandsons, Jon and Jennifer, played the king's youngest children.

After 14 years, the king came back. May 8, 1994 was the last performance of *The King and I* by the retiring Choir Director. "This time seemed the most difficult, knowing it was the last, but I've been impressed by the dedication of the cast," noted Mr. Allen. The King was played by senior Jim Coe and Anna, the schoolteacher from England, was played by senior Shannon Hoekwater.

"Bow! Bow! Bow! The words of the King rang through the ears of the cast. "It's funny to hear people still saying Jim's lines from the musical even after it's over," reflected senior Pete Kenyon. Pete played the part of Luntha, the foreign emissary of Burma and Tuptim's lover. Jim magically turned into the King right before everyone's eyes. When it was all over, he had difficulty letting the part go. "I still catch myself repeating my lines when I hear certain words or phrases," said Jim.

It was also an exciting new experience for students who had never been in a musical. "It gave me a chance to get to

know people that I normally would not have become friends with," noted sophomore Corey Mead who shared the roles of a slave and an interpreter with Corey Wong. For senior Terrie Stearns, choir opened up a whole new world. "This was a real learning experience for me. I don't usually like stuff like this," commented Stearns who played one the king's 28 wives.

The musical held an extra special meaning for seniors. It represented an end to a long career with Mr. Allen. "It all seemed to go so fast. I'm sorry it's over," admitted senior Amy Stevenson, who had been in his classes since eighth grade. Students made an extra special effort to make this the best musical possible. "It was an honor for me to play one of the leads in his last musical," commented senior Shannon Hoekwater. There were also many other students grateful to Mr. Allen for sharing with them a love of music and an opportunity to escape reality for an hour a day to become a player in another world.

--Amanda Fleckenstein,  
Peter Kenyon

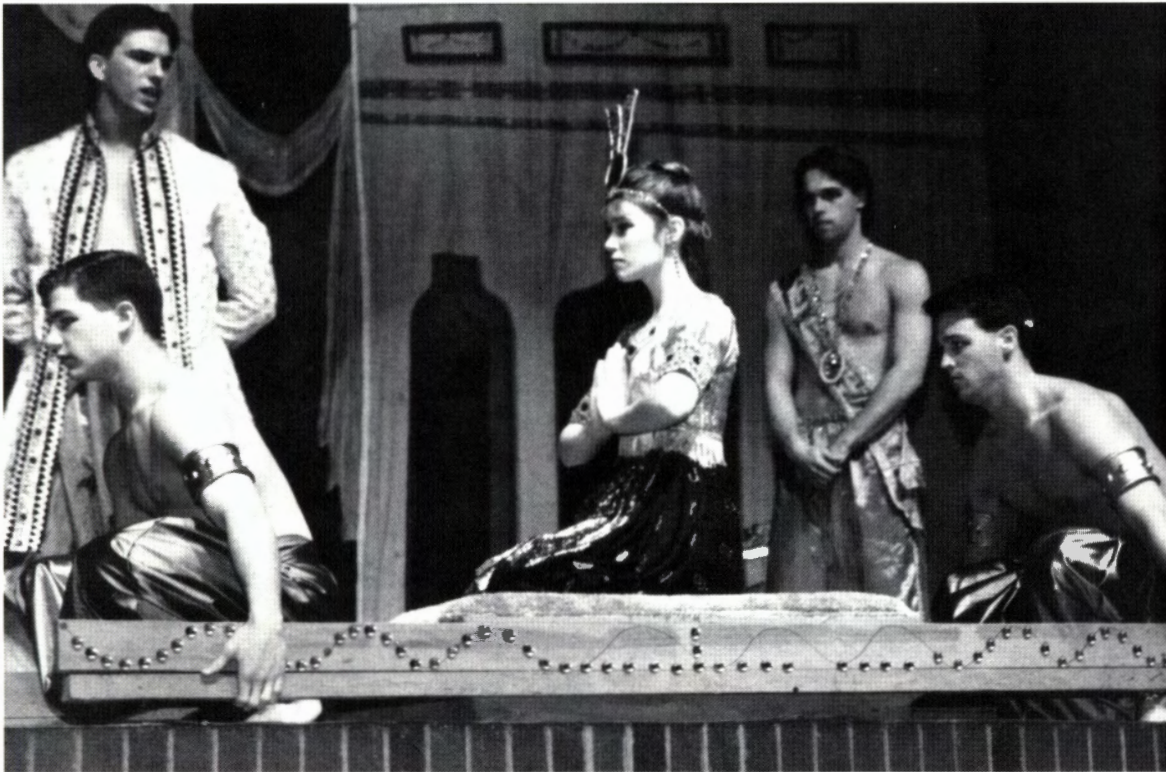
## Interlude

In a reflective moment of thought is Choir Director Ron Allen during his fifth hour class.



### **"Your Servant"**

Singing the song "Your Servant," Anna played by Shannon Hoekwater chastises the King for his overbearing ways.



### **Loverly Duo**

Singing the love song, "I Have Dreamed," to each other are Lisa Telfer as Tuptim and Pete Kenyon as Lunta.



### **Praying to Buddha**

Performing a scene from the Spring Musical, *The King and I*, are Jenna Eggert and Rob Chapin.

"The King was a totally different person than I am, but by the end of the second scene, I wasn't playing the character, I was the character. It was like an alternate plane of being."

--Senior Jim Coe

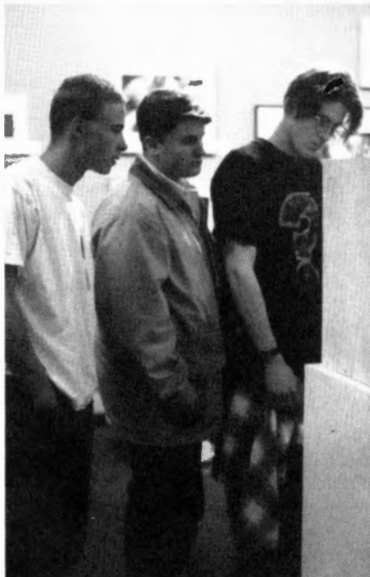


### **Friendly Persuasion**

Singing to the King is Anna played by Shannon Hoekwater.



# A Discovery of Style



## Taking a Break

Enjoying a class field trip to the Lansing Art Gallery are seniors Shannon Morehouse, Adam Bengé, and Jack Becker.

## Pastel Pusher

Junior Adam Newberry concentrates on his achievement in pastels that lies ahead of him in Art Seminar class.

Expression and creativity went hand in hand in Dorothy Anderson's Art Seminar class. Ms. Anderson stated, "My students have learned to be 'artists.' They learned to self-initiate, self-motivate and design their own work. Through reflective writing and thinking, they analyze their growth and development and that of other students." Junior Adam Newberry recalled, "This was my first year in Art Seminar. Last year I was in drawing and painting classes and worked on my own a little bit. I switched medias to pastels and began a new life. It was quite a breakthrough for me considering my last picture still wasn't done after three weeks. I soon started turning out pictures in a day or two. I'm still a junior, so next year I'll try and find out exactly what I want out of the art world."

Many students who took Art Seminar grew up knowing that it was their calling to be a visual creator. Bringing joy and pleasure to others through a paint brush, they blended colors with a wise and youthful nature. Senior Kerrie Lehnert stated, "I plan to attend LCC and minor in art. The theme of my artwork this year has been a finale to high school. I tried to capture the feelings of saying good-bye and the uncertainties of entering an unknown territory."

Students in the classes participated in the Greater Lansing Area Art Scholarship Alert, the Michigan Youth Festival, and the Congressional Art Competition. Several students were winners, and of course, all their works were exhibited. Individually each student created about 10 works of art and did many experiments throughout the semester. Senior Julie Hunt confided, "I knew when I was five years old scrubbing my drawings off the wall that I was destined for the world of Fine Arts! My paintings are no longer very well-defined because I prefer not to. I find my simplistic pictures much more reflective and emotional. They are obviously symbolic, since there are no definite objects. In all, I've gone from a frustrated, struggling artist, to an experimental, content artist, in one semester."

Most of the students were very proud of their work. Ms. Anderson added, "I was so proud of each student's accomplishments that we had an exhibition at the Board of Education so that the staff, administration, and school board members could see what happens here at the High School." Each student wrote a personal statement to accompany their pieces. The show ended with a reception for the community and parents. Senior Michael Cook added, "I had preconceived ideas of what an art class was. I thought it was a 'blow off' class where kids from 'regular' classes fled to maintain a half-way decent grade point average. I found out it was quite different than I expected." Students expanded their creativity, and through determination and open-mindedness, learned the art of free expression and individuality.

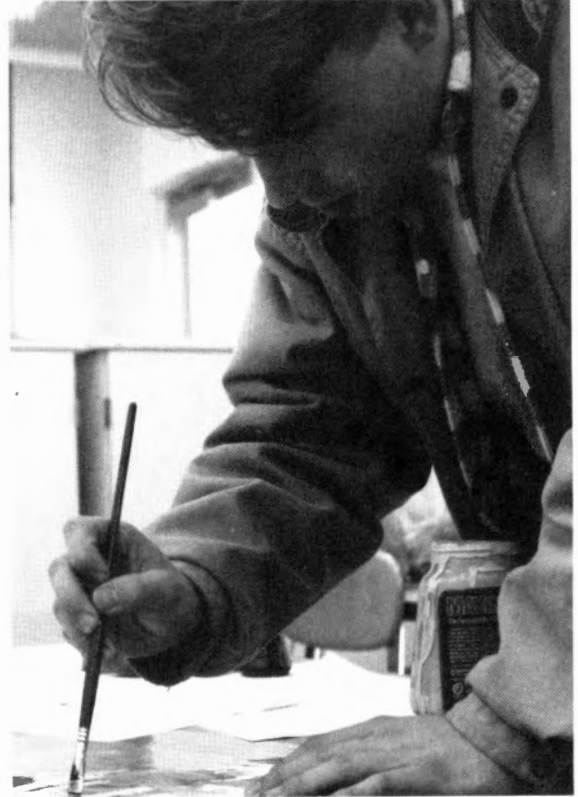
--Rheanna Abbott

**"Last year  
I was in  
drawing  
and painting  
classes, and  
worked on my  
own a little  
bit. I switched  
medias to  
pastels and  
began a new  
life."**

**--Junior Adam Newberry**



# Different Strokes



## ***"Jesse, Paint Your Pictures"***

Inspired by the Joshua Kadison song "Jesse," senior Ryan Travis carefully paints a picture in Dorothy Anderson's Painting class. Ryan frequently could be found attempting to humor people with his various pieces of art.

## ***Artistry of Color***

Putting in an hour on her acrylic painting in Art Seminar class is senior Jennifer Jenks. A veteran Art Seminar student, Jennifer took the class for repeated credit and developed a portfolio of her work.

## ***Watercolor Woman***

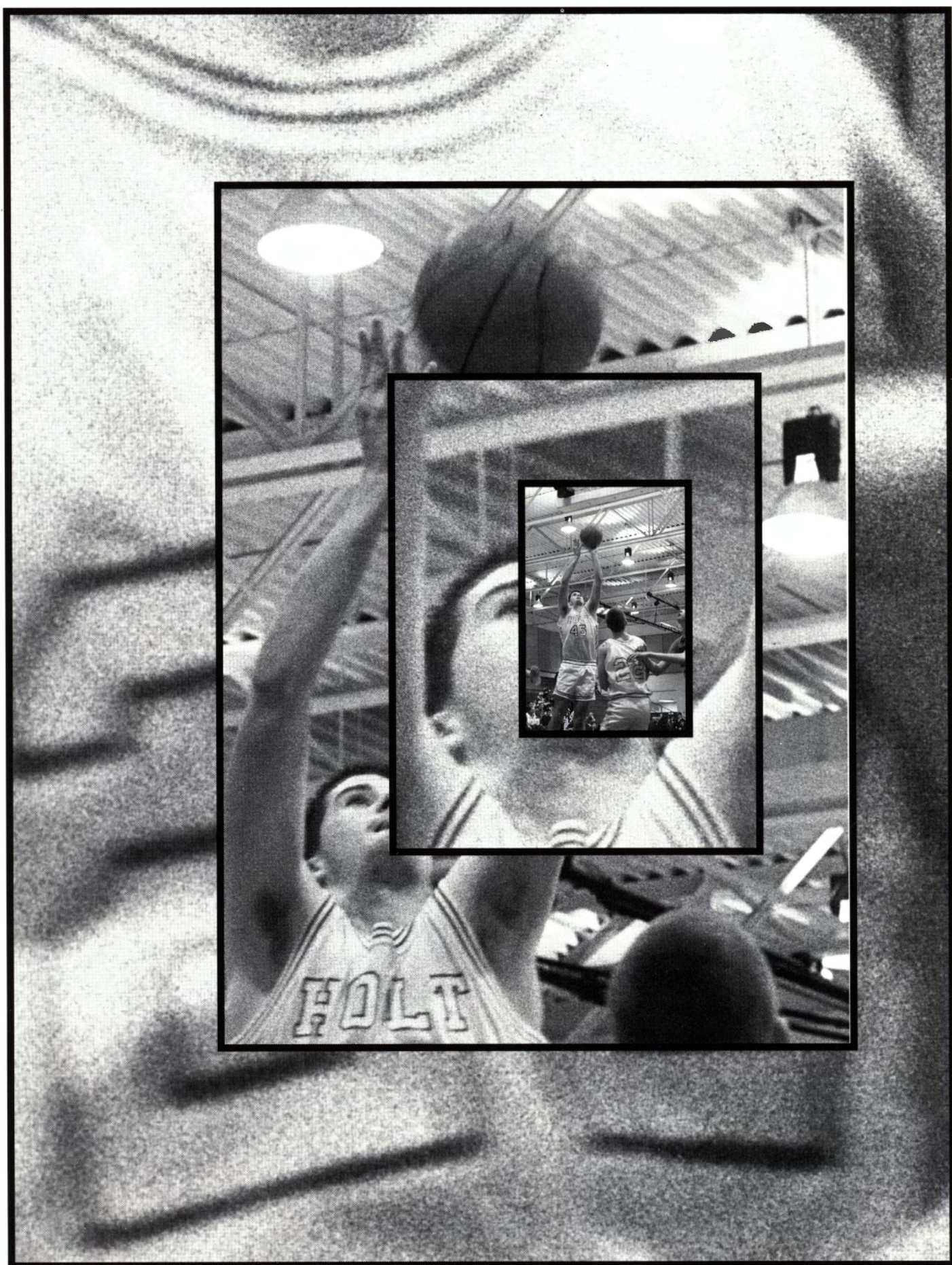
Testing the waters in her Painting class and learning to shade is junior Kaye Charles.

## ***Sculptor Man***

Sculpting a mannequin's face for Art Seminar class is senior Tad Feland with his side kick and fellow sculptor Jeremy Lowman.









**F**an support grew as students rallied behind their teams and often asked each other, "What sport do you play?" But play wasn't emphasized as much as intense preparation and rigorous practices. Whether it was the Girls' Swim team hitting the pool at 5:00 a.m. en route to an undefeated regular season or the Boys' Cross Country team running the course before school each morning, behind the scenes was the focus. But the labor of their effort was repaid. Class A Coach of the Year, Jerry Gillett gave them just the extra work they needed to take not only the Capital Area Conference title but also the Regional meet crown before finally ending their run at

twentieth in the state.

■ Then there was the Girls' Gymnastics team who fought to keep the label, perennial power house. Undergoing a coaching change, the team pushed themselves, overcame injuries and earned a third-place conference finish. ■ Talk about play-

ing just to play, the Boys'

# *Play by Play*

Soccer team struggled through a disappointing season, toiling with a 3-13-3 season record dashing any hopes of post-season honors. And the Friday night stands were filled to see the Varsity Football team take a tough 2-7 record, losing close games by a matter of one or two plays. ■ Whether it was on the court, on the field or in the pool, the games were tough, but the practices were tougher. Whether the pain and sweat yielded a victorious season, the athletes performed under pressure, knowing that regardless of the final outcome, the fans's eyes were on them play by play.

## **Making the Play**

It's the Rams in for two as sophomore center Marty Tompkins shoots a jumper against Lansing Catholic Central while forward Paul Anderson gets ready to box out. The play was not enough to land a win for the JV cagers who lost to L.C.C. 49-78 at home on January 25.



Breaking through the Viking defense is senior Josh Hogarth. Josh ran all over Jackson enroute to a 125 yard effort, led the team in rushing yards and was named first team All-CAC.

**Top Row:** Coach D. Ernst, Head Coach R. Shaft, M. Sharpe, M. Landfair, B. Oaks, B. Walsh, C. Fulk, L. Gittleson, J. Robbins, T. Miller, J. Abdo. **Row 2:** Coach T. Roberts, B. Cole, M. Cook, B. Van Fossen, S. Malone, T. Frayer, C. Rens, S. Robedeau, S. Morehouse, J. Schultz, R. Brookes, Coach J. Rarick, Coach C. Haas. **Row 2:** M. Stauffer, G. Wiler, C. Curtin, M. Collins, D. Mayes, J. Buckner, M. Looney, D. Ried, K. Louden, B. Smith, D. Powers. **Bottom Row:** K. McDowell, C. J. Chappell, S. Goddard, N. Barnes, J. Hogarth, M. Murphy, S. May, C. Allen, A. Allen, D. Brown. **Not Pictured:** E. Murray



**Top Row:** S. Morehouse, B. Cole, M. Cook, D. Brown. **Row 2:** J. Abdo, B. VanFossen, S. Malone, B. Oaks, C. Rens. **Bottom Row:** C. Curtin, M. Collins, J. Hogarth, M. Murphy, S. May, K. McDowell.







# Good Grief!

## Football struggles once again

As the great pumpkin made his final rounds, the October sunset closed on a disappointing Holt football season. "We were really upset with the way our season ended up.

We felt like we were going to be able to win some games. There was even talk about making it to the Silverdome," said junior nose tackle Dylan Brown. The team was filled with frustration as they could only muster a 2-7 overall record.

"I felt like Charlie Brown, about to finally kick the football, only to have Lucy pull it out from under me at the very last second," commented senior placekicker Brian Cole.

In their first game, a 14-0 loss to Okemos, Holt was overflowing with pre-season jitters. Many early season mistakes were

made and nerves became obvious as Holt choked at crucial times in the game.

East Lansing, ranked number three in the state, came to Troost Field expecting a cakewalk, but had trouble dealing with Holt. The Rams took an early lead on the Trojans, 6-0, but just couldn't put it all together in the end. A fourth quarter collapse gave the win to East Lansing, 30-19.

Over the rest of the season, Holt nearly played the spoiler at Sexton's Homecoming and barely let Eastern scrape by in a 5-point contest. However, victories over

Everett and Waverly gave the team a taste of the Big W.

Holt's run first-pass never philosophy netted Josh Hogarth a first team All-CAC nomination, as he accounted for most of the team's offense. Making second team All-CAC were defensive stopper Mike Cook and big play maker cornerback, Mike Murphy.

Receiving All-CAC honorable mention roster were Darnell Powers, Jeff Schultz, Craig Curtin, Steve Robedeau, and Shane May.

--Ed Murray

## Play It Again

**"I felt like Charlie Brown about to finally kick the football, only to have Lucy pull it out from under me at the very last second. With the exception of Grand Ledge, we were so close every game."**

**Brian Cole**  
**Senior Placekicker**

## Play It Again

### VARSITY FOOTBALL

2 Wins, 7 Losses

Okemos	0-14
Charlotte	12-14
East Lansing	19-30
Sexton	7-8
Everett	14-10
Jackson	14-19
Eastern	13-18
Waverly	20-6
Grand Ledge	7-41

Stealing down the sidelines as senior Monte Collins steps back to pass is junior Darnell Powers, while senior Josh Hogarth plays the safety valve. The Rams dropped the Homecoming battle in a tight one against Jackson 14-19.



Pumping up the sidelines is Head Coach Rocky Shaft. Assistant Coaches Terry Roberts and Jack Rarick take care of business on the field as Rocky guides junior Jake Robbins.





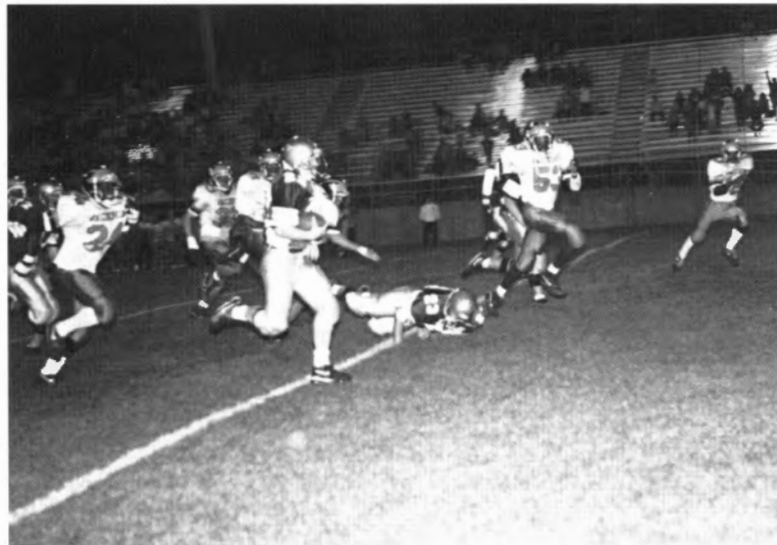
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Taking the ball from junior quarterback Chad Fulk, senior Josh Hogarth prepares to squeeze around the end. With the line cleaning the way, Josh racked up over 100 yards versus Jackson.

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Persevering forward despite his Viking opposition is senior Josh Hogarth. Though Homecoming spirits were high the Rams fell short to Jackson 13-19.



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Taking the field on Homecoming is junior Mike Looney along with seniors Josh Hogarth

and Shane May. Shane hit his way to an All-Conference Honorable Mention at his Strong Safety position.



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Stampeding free from the Jackson pursuers,

senior Josh Hogarth tucks the ball away for a break-away gain.



# Down to the Wire

## *Homecoming hopes fall short*

The annual fall rite of passage, commonly referred to as Homecoming, reached its height October 8 with the line-up against Jackson. The Vikings came in with conference title hopes against the struggling Rams. The game was down to the wire and filled with individual highlights that just couldn't be brought together in the end.

Senior line-backer and Crown Prince Mike Cook had 10 tackles before being knocked out cold after only two and half quar-

ters of play. The hit was a vicious one as evidenced on game film. It was one of those things players just had to see again. "STOP-REWIND-PLAY-OHHHHH!...STOP-REWIND-PLAY-OHHHHH!" "I don't remember the end of the game," stated Mike, through the haze of a mild concussion, "but I knew we were losing and I couldn't play. That was really hard to deal with."

Senior tailback Josh Hogarth carried the ball 25 times for 128 yards and one touchdown, maintaining his po-

sition above all other conference running backs and continuing his push for the Capital Area Conference rushing title. Junior Chad Fulk, playing musical quarterbacks with senior Monte Collins who started the game, hit junior tight end Jeff Schultz for Holt's other score midway through the third quarter.

The game came down to two plays, neither of which was Holt the beneficiary. Jackson took off with a 97-yard run, the longest ever from scrimmage against a Holt

team. The Vikings pulled a play out of their bag of tricks later in the game and scored on a fake punt. That was the difference in the game, as the Rams came up short 19-13.

The lights went down on Troost Field closing out another tight Ram defeat and week not soon to be forgotten by those who wouldn't be there next year. Junior Chad Fulk who played his first Homecoming game on the Varsity squad recalled, "It didn't seem like that big a deal. It just seemed like any other game." Next year perhaps he'll feel different. For some reason, a year later everything becomes a bigger deal for most seniors. Somehow, one's last year, it's a whole new ball game.

--Ed Murray

## *Play It Again*

"I don't remember the end of the game, but I knew we were losing and I couldn't play. That was really hard to deal with."

*Senior Mike Cook  
Homecoming Game*



Meeting Jackson mid-field for the pre-game toss are seniors Mike Cook and Josh Hogarth.

All-CAC defensive stopper Mike suffered an injury during the third quarter and was out the rest of the game much to his disappointment.

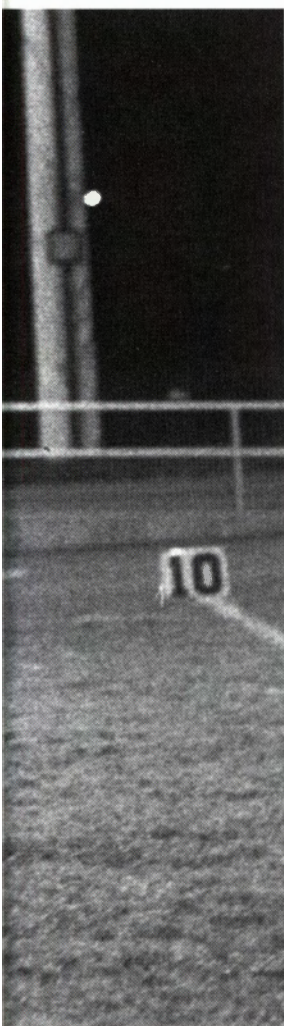






### Turbulence

Running into Comet turbulence enroute to goal line is sophomore Chad Lesnieske. The Rams fell to Grand Ledge 0-21.



# Beginner's Skill

## JV teams earn winning seasons

### Play It Again

#### JV SOCCER

11 Wins, 5 Losses, 2 Ties

Mt. Pleasant	2-1
B. C. Lakeview	0-4
Hartland	2-1
Owosso	1-1
Eastern	3-1, 4-0
Grand Ledge	2-3
St. Johns	1-3
Waverly	0-2
Sexton	5-0, 2-0
Jackson	3-4
East Lansing	1-0
Everett	3-0
Grand Ledge	2-1
Jackson Co. West.	1-1
B. C. Harper Creek	4-0
Flint Carmen	1-0

### Play It Again

#### JV FOOTBALL

5 Wins, 4 Losses

Okemos	14-20
Charlotte	20-12
East Lansing	22-35
Sexton	12-20
Everett	42-14
Jackson	35-13
Eastern	29-7
Waverly	28-14
Grand Ledge	0-21

### Nightlights

Playing on Troost Field in the annual night game, sophomore Sam Smith blasts the ball against Battle Creek Lakeview. The Rams came up short 0-4.

Starting out the season, the JV Football team had high hopes of being revered throughout the CAC. With only nine weeks, they knew they didn't have long to prove themselves nor would the competition make it easy. Fullback Tom McKouen commented, "I think we were the best team that Holt has had in a long time. The highlight of my year was going 4-4 at Jackson and running in a touchdown."

The JV's season ended at 5 wins and 4 losses. Tailback Doug Birch stated, "We should have beaten Sexton and Okemos. They were flukes!"

For those who

watched the players on Thursday nights, it appeared they were all the best of friends. Team unity and high morale were constant no matter what the scoreboard said. Cornerback Paul Anderson summed up the year, "We felt that we played well, and it showed, with a winning season!"

Enjoying high morale also was the JV Soccer team. "We had the best JV record ever at Holt, 11-5-2, even after losing two players to Varsity," revealed sophomore Stan Parker.

"My favorite highlight of the season was beating East Lansing. The win broke our losing streak and was

a huge stepping stone for our team," claimed sophomore Dana Jackson.

Another major highlight was playing under the lights at Troost Field. The team shut out Battle Creek Harper 4-0. "We had a great year and the night game just topped it all off. My whole family came and I felt like I was a star," revealed sophomore Matt Snyder. "This squad will be looking to stay with our winning ways and keep our record-breaking pace," Matt concluded.

--Heather Miner,  
Lisa Ellis





# Numbers Do Lie

## *Boys' Soccer not measured in wins*

"Team Spirit was high, in spite of a less than desirable final record," said Freshman Colin Janetzke of the Boys' Varsity Soccer team. The group finished the season with a record of 3 wins, 13 losses and 3 ties. However, the team will tell you that the numbers didn't tell the whole story.

For the majority of the players, the Varsity season proved to be a real learning experience. The strength

of the team was based on personal friendships developed over long hours of practice and training. The senior players gave extra help to the coaches by mentoring the less experienced players. They helped them gain confidence in their abilities, and provided moral support.

The team felt they had made some major accomplishments. They found that feeling good about a season

was a matter of looking at the individual games. "Beating Everett was a big high for us," stated senior goalkeeper Chris Reynolds. "They were ahead of us in the conference and it gave the entire team a boost."

Another highlight was related by senior Scott Kamm, "One of the best games of the year was when we scored a last second goal to tie Grand Ledge and gain a better seeding in the tour-

nament."

"Even though it was a disappointing season scorewise, we still improved," claimed sophomore John Gilreath. Senior midfielder John Walters was named First Team All-CAC while junior defender Zach Wahl and Chris Reynolds made All-CAC Second Team. Chris was also named to the All-State Honorable Mention squad.

--Matt Kelly



### *Varsity Soccer*

**Top Row:** S. Kamm, P. Azi, R. Grant, M. Crawford, K. Janetzke, C. Janetzke. **Row 2:** T.

Kleiman, J. Gonzalez, Z. Wahl, L. Smith, A. Feland, L. Freire, R. Barrett, J. Gilreath, M. Mantyla. **Bottom Row:** Head Coach H. Rojas, C.

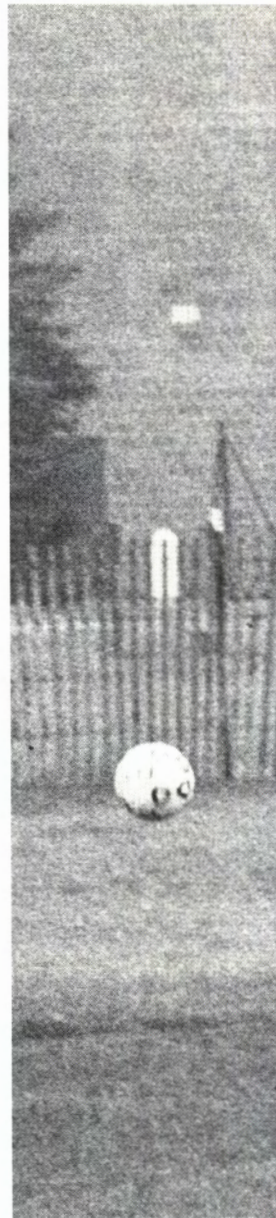
Cross, M. Dolton, D. Milligan, J. Walters, J. Walsh, B. Harry, J. Mulvaney, C. Carvalho. **Foreground:** E. Schutte, C. Reynolds.

## *Play It Again*

### VARSITY BOYS' SOCCER

3 Wins, 13 Losses, 3 Ties

Mt. Pleasant	1-1
B. C. Lakeview	0-4
Hartland	0-1
Owosso	2-2
Eastern	4-2, 1-2
Grand Ledge	1-1, 0-1
St. Johns	0-2
Sexton	0-1, 2-3
Jackson	2-1
East Lansing	1-5
Everett	2-1
Jackson C. W	2-3
Flint C. A.	0-5
Pinckney	1-2







### Going for a Goal

Pushing deep into enemy territory are seniors Mike Crawford and Ryan Barrett. The two upper classmen provided strong senior leadership throughout the season and Mike was named Most Improved Player.

### In a Zone

Rushing the defense during a home game against FlintCarmen, is senior John Walters with fellow senior Bruce Harry in hot pursuit.



### Getting Their Kicks

Moving the ball downfield against Flint Carmen is sophomore John Gilreath, while senior John Walters offers support.



### Calling the Shots

Directing the action from the sidelines is Head Coach Henry Rojas. Coach Rojas spoke of the

team's scoreboard woes, "The kids never gave up; they were so close. This team lost or tied 13 games by one goal. They were tough."



# Skills Score

## *Basketball team nearly takes it all*

Jump, pass, dribble, shoot, and in for two! The Girls' Varsity Basketball team displayed skills on the court, leading them to a 12-8 regular season record and tying for runner-up in the Capital Area Conference.

With a solid core of eight returners, the team had experience. Senior Brandy Spitz commented, "It was nice having a strong, deep bench. If one of our starters was having a bad night,

we knew that someone could come off the bench and fill in."

But strength took practice. "Basketball camp helped us to learn how to play with one another early in the year so it didn't take long for the team chemistry to gel," stated senior Jenna Eggert. At camp, the players worked on the skills needed according to the position they played. The centers worked on their low-post moves while the

guards and forwards concentrated on ball-handling and shooting. The team then played scrimmages, set up by Western Michigan University.

The team also learned more than skills on the court. They learned to work together and operate as one, rather than as individuals. The squad also learned never give up and always give 100 percent, qualities that would eventually carry over in the season,

yielding them a 12-8 record.

In post-season play, the team went up against Grand Ledge in the District tournament, but suffered a disappointing loss. Their hard work paid off for team co-captains Jennie Vanlerberghe and Heather Smith who were voted First Team All-CAC while senior Katie Roessler earned All-CAC Honorable Mention.



Whipping his starting crew into shape during a time out is Coach Bill

York. "This team never gave up all year. I really have to hand it to them, they had a great work ethic," he noted.

## *Play It Again*

### GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL

12 Wins, 8 Losses

St. Johns	51-60
Eaton Rapids	52-34
Williamston	68-70
Mason	57-44
Waverly	63-76, 57-50
Jackson	74-58, 53-29
East Lansing	66-50, 42-48
Everett	41-39, 49-44
Grand Ledge	50-46, 55-44
Eastern	68-53, 47-28
Sexton	49-51, 62-54
Okemos	46-47
Jackson N. W.	62-57



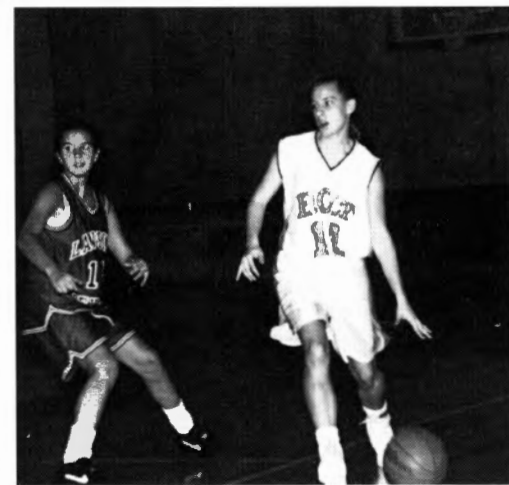
Pulling up for a quick two against Sexton is senior Heather Smith. Heather's crisp speed helped her win a slot on the All-Conference team as well as earned her the nickname, "L'il Lightning," as she was known to her teammates.





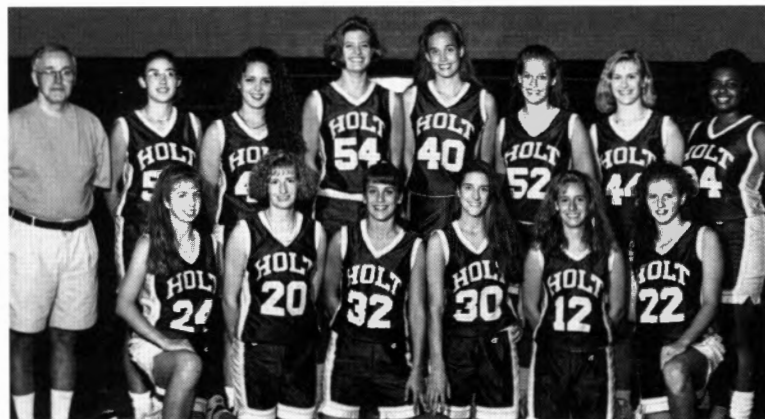
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Taking the floor as her name is announced is senior guard Mandy Bowler during pre-game against Sexton.

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Reaching into her bag of Jason Kidd tricks on her helpless Sexton opponent is junior Cathy "Shake 'n' Baker." Cathy's ability to leave her opponent bedazzled by her moves helped defeat the Big Red 62-54.



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Skipping the ball cross-court to teammate senior Mandy Bowler is Katie Roessler. The dynamic

duo was one of the most feared, and most publicized, backcourt tandems in the conference, leading their team to a 12-8 season record.



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**Top Row:** Head Coach W. York, B. Spitz, L. Koelzer, H. Smith, J. Vanlerberghe, J. Eggert,

A. Viele, C. Ford. **Bottom Row:** B. Paterick, A. Wood, K. Roessler, M. Bowler, C. Baker, C. Baisel.





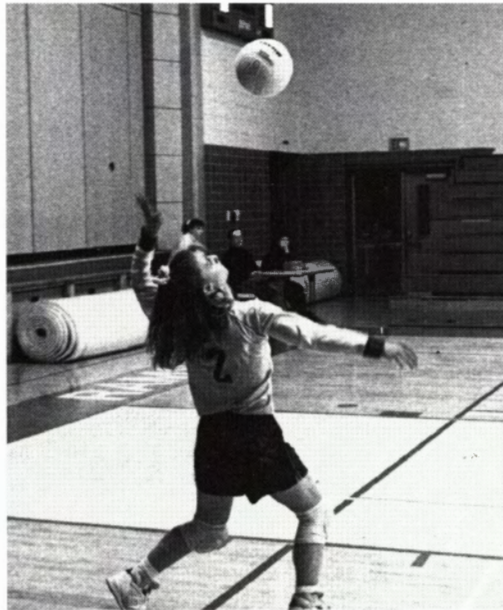
### Slammin'

Up for the spike is sophomore center Allison Wood in the home game against Everett.



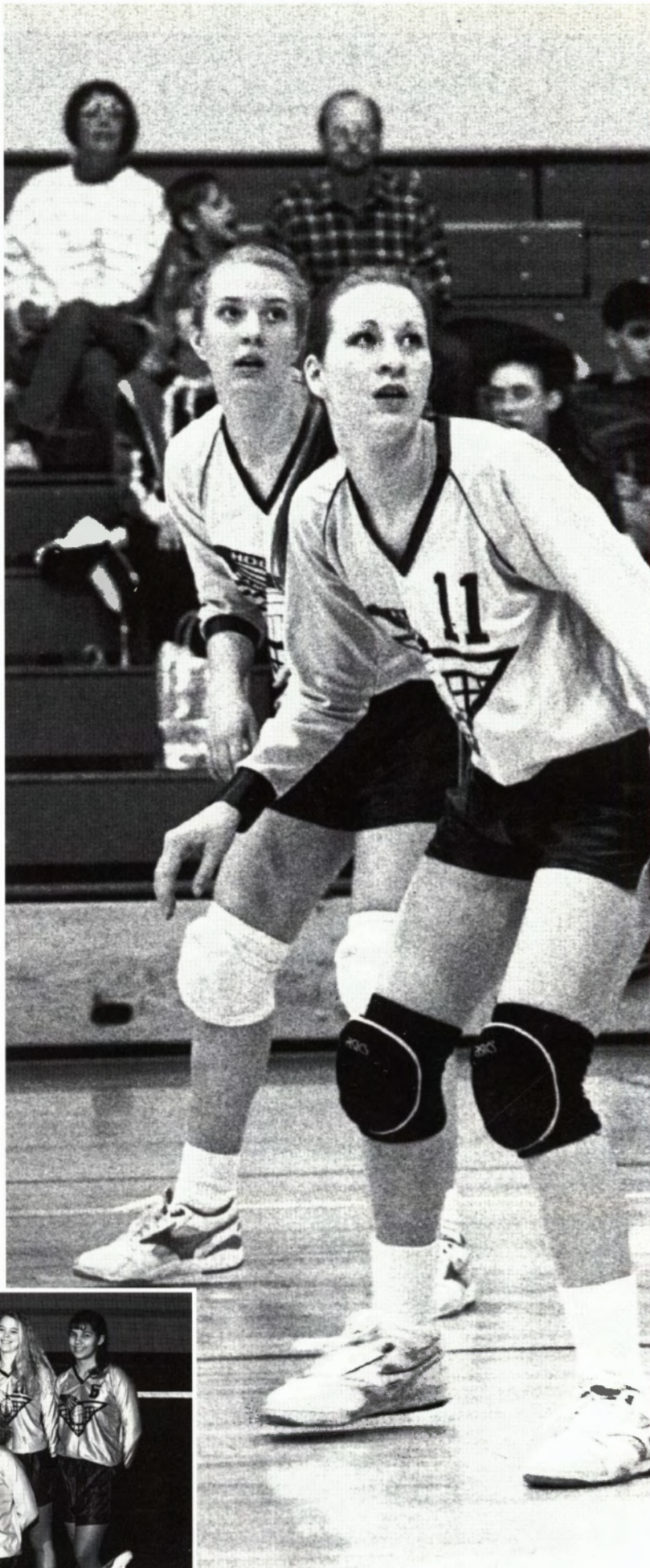
### Raid Girls

Grouping around basketball mentor and coach Bob Simmons are members of the JV Basketball Squad. Coach Simmons led the team through a 13-7 season.



### Hammer

Slamming the ball against the Everett Vikings is sophomore Kathy Luedtke. Her effort helped insure a win for the team.



### JV Volleyball

**Top Row:** Head Coach R. Buysse, A. Hoover, L. Patterson, A. Wood, J. Hayslette, S. Somers, K. Witsaman. **Bottom Row:** K. Wardwell, A. Turmolin, G. Ray, J. Newberry, A. Larson. **Foreground:** N. Malm, K. Luedtke.



### Incoming

Tensing up in anticipation are sophomores

Lindsey Patterson and Jamie Hayslette in a home game against Everett.





# First Steps

## *JVs forge their way to the next level*

### *Play It Again*

#### GIRLS' JV BASKETBALL

13 Wins, 7 Losses

St. Johns	50-56
Eaton Rapids	43-27
Williamston	61-19
Mason	61-27
Waverly	35-47, 51-58
Jackson	51-24, 49-14
East Lansing	60-37, 56-37
Waverly	35-47, 51-58
Grand Ledge	47-37, 35-55
Eastern	45-46, 53-47
Sexton	59-29, 31-37
Okemos	41-30
Jackson Northwest	31-17

### *Play It Again*

#### JV VOLLEYBALL

9 Wins, 5 Losses

East Lansing	14-16, 9-15
	15-4, 11-15, 15-13
Everett	15-8, 12-15, 6-15
	15-6, 15-2
Waverly	15-11, 15-11
	15-11, 3-15, 13-15
Grand Ledge	15-17, 1-15
	15-8, 6-15, 15-8
Sexton	15-3, 15-6
	15-4, 15-10
Jackson	15-17, 8-15
	10-15, 15-12, 15-9
Eastern	15-9, 7-15, 15-9
	15-3, 15-13

The stepping stones of the Varsity team, a year when athletes work on fundamental skills, was the year when the Girls' JV Basketball and JV Volleyball teams went all out to give that extra 'oomph' to impress both the current and next level coaches. The Basketball team was repaid with a 13-7 record.

The girls showed great heart and desire to win throughout the season. Michelle Beck described what made the difference. "We worked really hard in the summer, and during practice. Mr. Simmons really stressed the fact that practice makes perfect!"

The team's strengths were their half-court games and defense.

Sophomore Jenny Johnson also observed, "We always helped each other out and if somebody was doing something wrong, we helped them. But one of our weaknesses was that we would individually get down on ourselves. If we had kept more open, we would have been better." Sophomore Alicia Freeman concluded, "Our season had many ups and downs because we won some tough games and lost some we didn't expect to lose."

Displaying the same willingness to learn and build basic skills was the JV Volleyball team. The girls worked on building a winning attitude and the ladies proved what they could do by going 9-5 overall,

placing them in the top three in final conference standings.

Their willingness to work was the key to their success. Sophomore Jamie Hayslette stressed, "It really helped when we came to games prepared to play and win. The team ran very smoothly all year long." "When we won, it was because we were concentrating and doing hard team work," added sophomore Shelley Somers.

Jamie Hayslette summarized what JV year was all about. "When we were behind or pressure was on us we'd do what was needed to win."

--Shane May,  
Katie Greenwood



Sliding in with the shot over Sexton is freshman guard Jill Newberry.

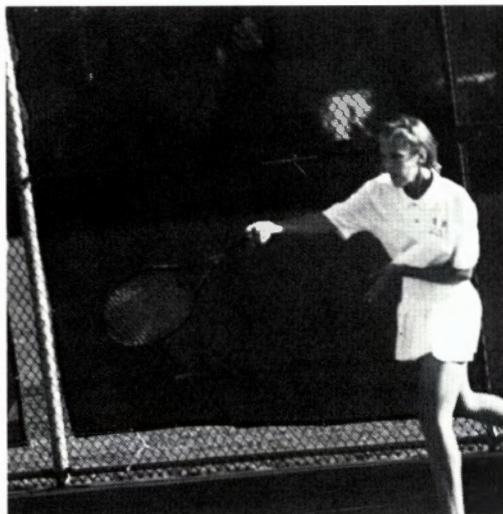


### Return to Sender

Firing back at her DeWitt opponent is junior Dana Dillon. Dana's effort helped blank the Panthers 7-0.

### Mailing it Home

Driving the ball against the East Lansing Trojans with one of her 'patented' serves is senior Kelly TePastte.



### Somer Slam

Perfecting her forehand is sophomore third singles player Shelley Somers. "I really liked the season because we did well as a team," she commented.



### Rough n' Ready

Preparing herself while her second doubles partner, junior Amanda Schram serves, is junior Andrea Cook. The two combined to give the team leadership and experience.



## Play It Again

### GIRLS' VARSITY TENNIS

9 Wins, 3 Losses

St. Johns	4-3
Everett	6-1
Eastern	6-1
East Lansing	1-6
Grand Ledge	7-0
LCC	1-4
Jackson	1-6
Sexton	7-0
Pinckney	6-1
Waverly	7-0
Mason	4-3
DeWitt	27-0

### Varsity Tennis

**Top Row:** Coach P. Kressler, Y. Gibbs, K. Reynolds, C. Thill, S. Somers, D. Dillon, S.

Mann, A. Graham, Head Coach P. Somers. **Row 2:** S. Mohamedulla, M. Krause, E. Sutliff, N. Hoagland, J. Cory, C. Lovejoy, M. Janes, J.

**Kent. Bottom Row:** D. Henriksen, K. Charles, T. Hannig, K. Tepastte, S. Kratzer, K. Larsen, A. Cook, A. Schram.





# So Close....

## *Girls' Tennis falls just long*

The Girls' Varsity Tennis team completed the season with a 9-3 dual record and a 5-2 match record in the Capital Area Conference. The team took third in the League, placing behind East Lansing and Jackson. Coach Pat Somers stated, "We did really well. The girls did an excellent job this season. Their consistency and shot placement were outstanding."

Junior Andrea Cook, who played second doubles, noted, "We surprised a lot of people, including ourselves and the coach. We did a lot better in CAC's than last year."

So, what made this team work? Coach Somers reported the most important asset the team had was experience. "The players have a lot

more matches under their belt than they did last year and more matches make better players." Junior Jill Cory, who played fourth doubles added, "The team was also very supportive. That gives you more confidence when you're out there on the court." Help came from others too. Senior Kelly Larsen admitted, "My boyfriend helps a lot. He's there to support me, no matter what happens during a meet."

Though ranked high in the CAC, coach and players both felt that they needed to improve their game and their physical shape. Coach Somers explained, "Next year we'll do more conditioning. We'll run two to three miles every day, instead of only 1.5 miles that we ran

this season."

Others felt they needed to improve their mental game and concentration. Some players, like sophomore Shelly Somers who played third singles, felt that they improved on their net play this year, while others felt an improvement on their ground strokes, physical condition, and overall strategy.

What did the players learn about themselves this season? Amanda Schram learned that, "I get angry easily. I don't like to lose." Shelly Somers learned that, "I give up too easily. I have to improve my mental game." All in all, the Girls' Varsity Tennis team gave it a total effort as reflected in their 9-3 season record.

--Saleha  
Mohamedulla



### *Power Hit*

Serving up to her DeWitt opponent is second doubles player Amanda Schram in a home match. "It was our hardest match because they were really good. We were down by a lot, but came back to win. It was great," recalled Amanda.



# Plight Court

*JVs endure tough times and rough records*

As the player approached the net, he focused intently on the volley he was confident he'd get. Coach Mike Smith clinched his fists, hoping a winning shot would be returned. With a final stroke, sophomore Ben Camp took the win.

Enthusiasm, talent, spirit, and even tempers were all part of the season. Sophomore Stanley Parker added, "Our tempers sometimes got the best of us and various racquets were broken when we lost."

What will they remember most? Sophomore Mark Sienkiewicz answered, "Our only win which was against Pinckney." However, the guys did benefit from improvement, skill

building, and good times.

The Girls' JV Tennis team also finished with high hopes and big dreams unrealized. Their goals included gaining experience, improving skills, and, of course, winning. The first two were accomplished, however, the latter with a 1-4-1 record needed some work. Coach Peter Kressler commented, "The team didn't do extremely well in terms of winning and losing, but it did improve a great deal from the beginning of the season." Sophomore Kelly Krause admitted, "I think our team's most glaring weaknesses were our backhands and serves."

On the plus side, player attitudes

were enthusiastic. Sophomore Kim Witsaman observed, "Our attitude towards each other was very supportive. We took tennis serious, and yet, always seemed to have fun." On a more personal note Allison Warren observed, "Our self-esteem improved. We were not as intimidated by other teams as we were before." And sophomore Julie Allen admitted, "My serves seemed to improve. It took determination and a lot of practice." Sophomore Sarah Cribble concluded, "One of the biggest highlights was the match with East Lansing. Only one person won, but we all played our best and showed much spirit."

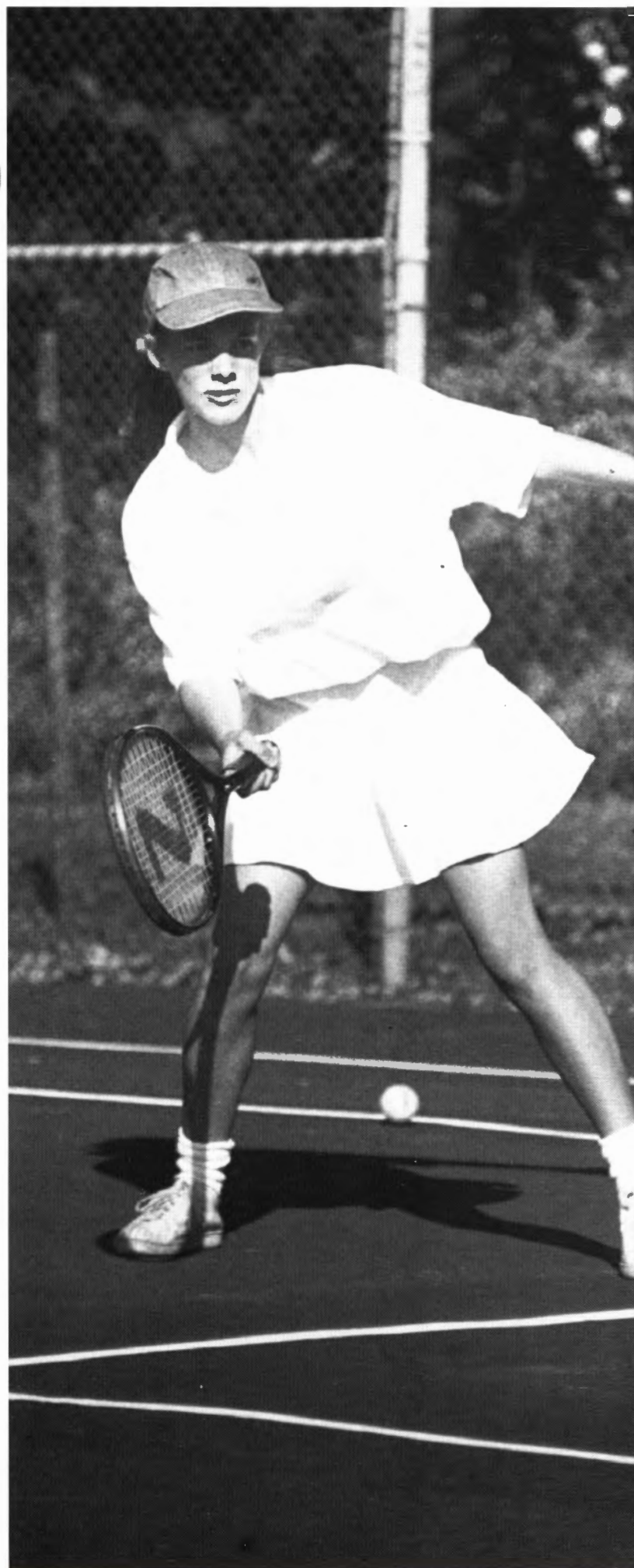
--Kelly Larsen



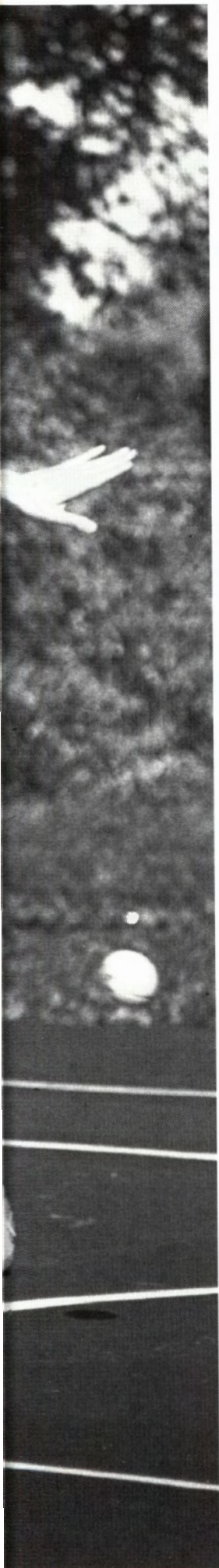
**Top Row:** Head Coach P. Kressler, A. Taylor, K. Block, C. Carr, M.

Burton, T. Martin, Coach P. Somers. **Row 2:** K. Keane, C. Wilcox, S. Heathman, K. Wardwell, A. Lansing, J. Corr, K.

Yemc. **Bottom Row:** B. Wilkerson, K. Witsaman, L. Donegan, S. Cribble, K. MacKellar, A. Warren, K. Krause, J. Allen.







### Lean Into It

Putting her body into her shot is sophomore Kelly Wardwell. Despite her effort, the Rams fell to Mason, 3-10.

### Bring It On

Determination flashes from her eyes as sophomore Krista Wilcox gives

her Mason opponent a look of cold confidence as she prepares for the oncoming serve.



### Duce Duce

Freshmen Robert Czubeck and Karl Wyble smack the ball around, perfecting their skill at 4th doubles during practice.



### Singles

Setting up his serve is sophomore second singles player Nick Leible. "The team did really well helping one another out. That was probably our strongest point. We never let each other let up," Nick commented.

## Play It Again

### GIRLS' JV TENNIS

1 Win, 4 Losses, 1 Tie

St. Johns	3-10
East Lansing	0-12, 1-11
Mason	3-10, 6-6
DeWitt	10-3



### Boys' JV Tennis

**Top Row:** Head Coach M. Smith, B. Pickens, T. Purol, K. Wyble, S. Parker, B. Snyder, R. Czubeck. **Bottom Row:** M. Vandlen, M. Sienkiewicz, N. Leible, E. Brower, B. Camp, A. Verleger, F. Ikramulla.



# Guys and Gals

## Varsity Golf Teams join winner's circle

Players summed up the Boys' Varsity Golf season as intense, a sport that took a lot of concentration. From the sidelines it looked like fun and no one would have guessed that they had their sights set on one thing--the Capital Area Conference title. Their enjoyable season turned out to be a winning one as well, with the group only giving up four matches and closing with an 11-4 record. "Holt's golf program is improving rapidly. We're doing really well competing with other CAC schools," stated sophomore Brian Anderson.

Just missing their goal, the team ended up with third place in the conference with their only losses coming to Sexton, East Lansing, and Grand Ledge. Senior Mark

Wulff admitted, "I regret that we didn't beat East Lansing. I know we could have, but we had a lot of fun and good times on the course."

Three team members were named all conference selections. Senior Corey Baisel was named First Team, Brad Cass earned Second Team, and Scott Johnson made Honorable Mention. Corey recalled, "I reduced my stroke by one this season and just enjoyed playing against some of the best teams in the state."

While fan support was slightly lacking at the Invitationals, parents showed up as if they were set to watch the Masters. With parental support and that of the coach, the team

pulled through. "Coach Dowell really knows how to motivate players after having a bad round or two," explained senior Brian Lund.

The team captured a third place at the Mason Invitational and a second place at the Eastern Best Ball where Brad Cass noted, "We could've taken first if we had stayed a little more focused on the game."

The Girls Golf team also went for it and won big. They captured the conference title and qualified for the first time for the state meet. Coach Scotty Shimnoski explained, "We were solid. All the girls were there for each other with support. Every single one of them improved a great deal, but senior

Mandy Bowler and Catie Rashid were my most talented golfers of the season." A majority of the players received All Area Conference mention, the team placed second at Regionals and placed 12th overall in the state.

One highlight was the match against East Lansing. Senior Mandy Bowler recalled, "We lost the first match by seven but then beat them by two strokes in the second. That win was the greatest since they were the hardest team we had to play." "Awesome" was the word Catie used to sum up the season. The girls were sad to see it end, but cherished the memories.

--Heather Miner,  
Katie Roessler,  
Rachel Warfield



*Girls Varsity Golf*

**Top Row:** Coach L. Buwalda, B. Johnson, N. Lee, K. Block, S. Mann, D.

Henriksen, J. Mayercak, E. Reamer, C. Richter, E. Sutliff, Head Coach S. Shimnoski. **Bottom Row:** J. Vanlerberghe, M.

Bowler, C. Rashid, J. Smith, A. Stevenson, M. Holden, C. Swan, E. Fleckenstein.

## Play It Again

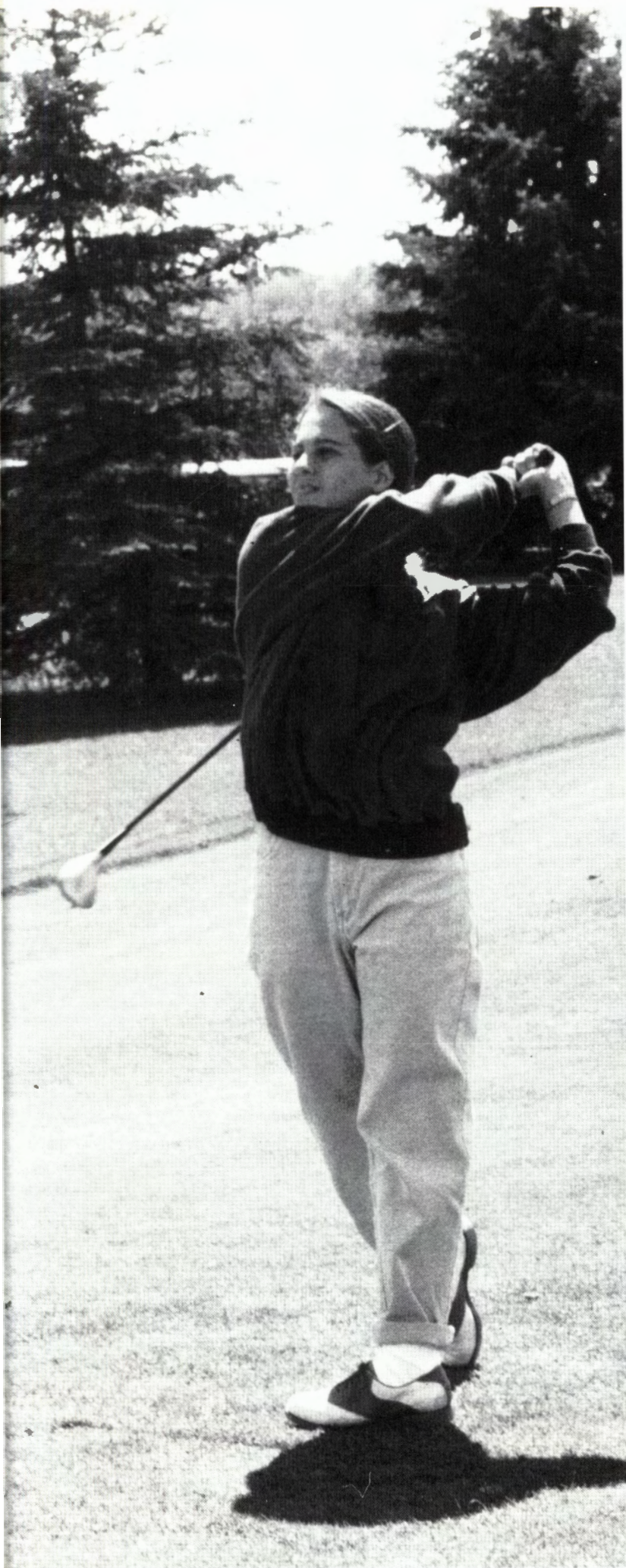
### GIRLS' VARSITY GOLF

14 Wins, 1 Loss

East Lansing	217-210, 211-213
Grand Ledge	217-224, 211-237
Waverly	198-273, 205-251
Eastern	191-243, 168-229
Everett	191-261, 168-211
Jackson	194-230, 193-207
Sexton	198-248, 205-263
Eaton Rapids	184-248







### *Cinderella Boy*

Taking a practice swing in hopes of someday making it to Augusta is

senior Corey Baisel. Corey helped lead the squad to a third place conference finish and was named All-CAC.



## *Play It Again*

### BOYS' VARSITY GOLF

11 Wins, 4 Losses

East Lansing	318-327, 336-308
Eastern	302-313, 301-313
Everett	302-363, 301-391
Sexton	311-313, 324-317
Waverly	311-336, 324-341
Jackson	310-331, 305-336
Grand Ledge	318-333, 336-331
St. Johns	163-164

### *Boys' Varsity Golf*

**Top Row:** C. Baisel, S. Suckow, J. Gamet, M. Wulff, B. Lund, A. Owen.  
**Row 2** Head Coach B. Dowell, D. Palacios, B. Meyers, R. Travis, E. Drake, B. Anderson, B. Cass, S. Johnson. **Bottom Row:** F. Hartwick, M. Sienkiewicz, L. Veneman, B. Gamet, E. Cory.

### *In the Hole*

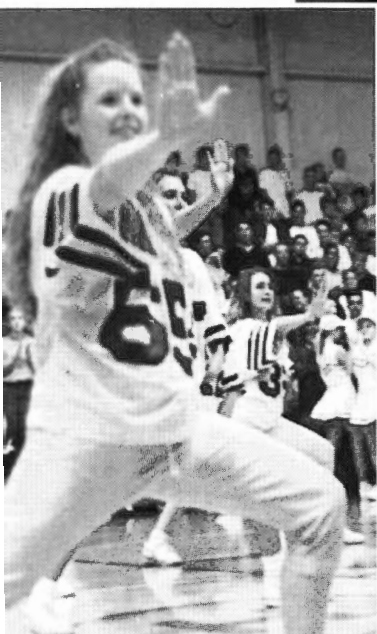
Completing the drive is senior Catie Rashid during a match versus Eaton Rapids. Catie was ruth-

less against her opponents, earning her a place on the First Team All-CAC squad along with senior Mandy Bowler.





Fueling the fire of the Holt crowd is the Winter Cheerleading Squad. The girls sparked the light of the Ram boosters at home Varsity Basketball games at the Junior High.



Stopping the Homecoming Pep Assembly crowd in their tracks is senior cheerleader Amy Stevenson in spirit preparation to meet the Jackson Vikings. Amy was known for her easy-going, personable nature making her a natural when it came to cheering.



Getting their vocal cords ready for another night of harmonious shouting, the winter squad sets up

before the home basketball crowd. Despite the team's ups or downs, the girls never lost hope or their smiles.



Pepping up the crowd with their patented 'Go, Fight, Win!' cheer dur-

ing a home football game are the Fall Varsity Cheerleaders.



# Body Language

## *Cheerleaders give their all, then some*

One could hear them throughout the halls on a Friday afternoon chanting along to the fight song played by the band, or at the games that same night trying to bring spirits to an all new high. According to senior Wendy Hoelzle, "It didn't matter how well the teams did, we just loved cheering for them and being out there in the cold celebrating for the heck of it."

For the better part of the season,

the cheerleaders concentrated on improving their overall appearance to the crowd, and practicing new cheers for the games. Although it wasn't exactly strenuous work, senior Kendra Hoffman somehow found a way to make it seem so, "I was always tired and unable to get motivated at practices!" Even though she found it hard to bring a smile to her face after school, she was nominated

for the Most Spirited because of her cheeriness during games. She revealed, "I love to cheer because it is my chance to give my all to something."

Though there were no competitions during the football season, the girls prepared for the CAC meet March 5 at Jackson where they placed fifth. Senior Angela Roberts revealed, "Working on CAC's for the first time made me take

cheerleading more seriously and more responsibly. I set a competitive goal to reach."

Upon ending the season, the cheerleaders all gathered around in a big huddle to congratulate each other. To the girls, cheerleading was a sport that helped define who they were, and the seven seniors on the squad took a last look at Troost field and bid their final goodbyes.

--Heather Miner



**Top Row:** D. Alexander, A. Roberts, K. Robbins.  
**Row 2:** W. Hoelzle, H. Miner, J. Byrens, J. Lawrence, K. Araoz.  
**Foreground:** K. Hoffman.





# Wide Load

## *JV Girls take on more than you think*

The seasons were short, however, memorable for the JV Cheerleaders. Because they were all sophomores, they weren't quite sure what to expect from the year. The girls had to learn new cheers and chants for the Thursday night football games, battle the late season cold, and continue practicing right on through basketball season. "A wise man once said of cheering, 'Such tasks sound much easier than they truly are.' Really, cheerleading is a lot harder than most

people think. It deserves more credit than it's given," stated Carrie Swan.

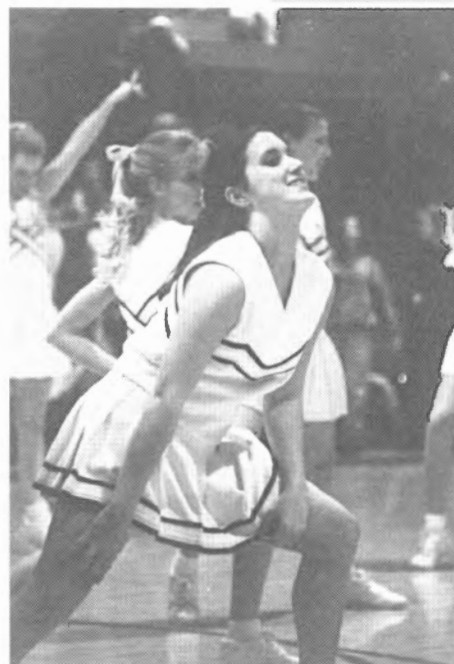
The year, of course, had its lighter moments to go along with the workouts. "I'll never forget the time that Amy Nourse took off her skirt before she put her pants on in front of the crowd," laughed Jamie Southwell. Amy's embarrassment didn't stop there, though. "Amy kept me laughing all the time. I remember after the Charlotte game, she was running to the bus and fell right on her rear

in the pouring rain. I felt bad for her, but I couldn't help but laugh," recalled Nikki Lee.

Then there was the friendship the squad shared. "I loved cheering because I made a lot of long lasting friendships. I felt like I could tell them anything," said Zulema Beltran.

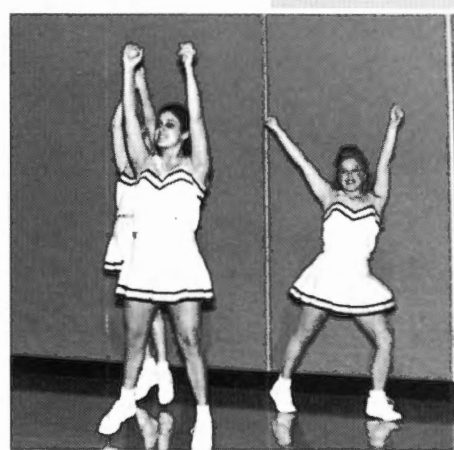
Though the cheerleaders didn't get the chance to participate in any competitions, they worked hard at getting the crowd on their feet, and raising their voices to the roof.

--Heather Miner



Doing their thing during a home football game, the JV cheerleaders keep spirits high. "I loved seeing the crowd yell. It made the long hours of practice worth it," shared sophomore Shelly Spitz.

Skimming her way across the court Coolio-style during a home basketball game is sophomore Nikki Lee.



**Top Row:** N. Lee, C. Swan, N. Malm. **Row 2:** A. Shepler, Z. Beltran,

**Fore-ground:** A. Nourse, S. Spitz.

Boosting spirits are the JV cheerleaders Nikki Lee, Jamie Southwell and Rhonda Newman from the sidelines of a

home JV Basketball game. "The fight song was my favorite because everyone got into it," shared Jamie.



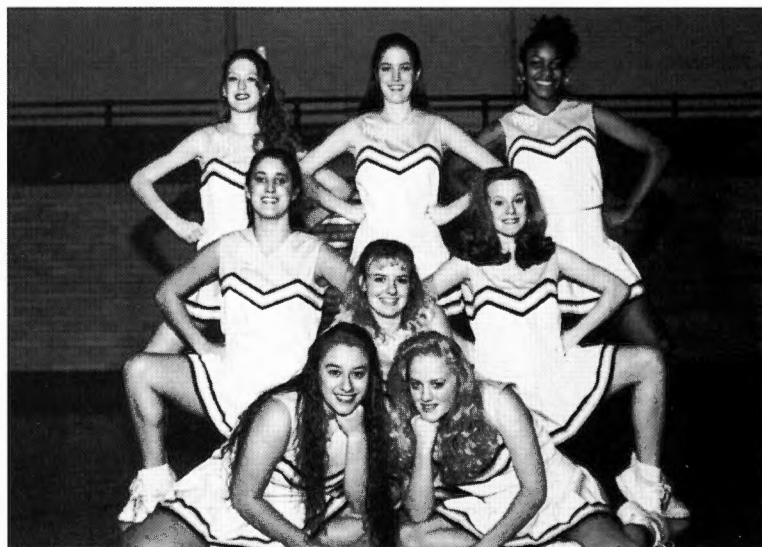


Knowing that their mission is to 'pump you up', sophomores Rhonda Newman and Nikki Lee get the crowd going.



Holding the banner for the JV Football Team before the final home

game of the season against Grand Ledge are the Fall JV Cheerleaders.



**Top Row:** R. Newman, C. Swan, T. Jones. **Row 2:** N. Lee, S. Spitz, J.

Southwell. **Foreground:** Z. Beltran, J. Parrot





Gutting out the last of her race is sophomore Laura Harger. Laura went on to place in the top 30 at the Regional meet.



After completing their quest for the Regional title, senior John Sonnenberg and freshman Mike Sode close it out and relax.



Parmann, Head Coach  
**Top Row:** Coach J. Gillett. **Bottom Row:** J. Treloar, J. Fortuna, A. Austin, J. Sonnenberg, J. Haskell, J. Kilgore, E. Montie.



**Top Row:** L. Harger, L. Hunter, D. Bargy, S. Huston, Coach D. Foy. **Bottom Row:** N. Nelson, V. Spencer, M. Gnass, E. Younglove.





# Cool Running

## Cross Country ices opposition

Through the woods, around the corners, and right to the Capital Area Conference title, raced the Boys' Cross Country

team. With confidence and team support, they knew CAC's were potentially theirs, and Regionals, too. Right behind them were the girls placing third in the conference with an 8-4 season and 6-1 conference record.

Practicing ahead of time made goals happen. "We accomplished what we thought we were capable of doing. We started preparing last year as a rebuilding team. This year, when we finally reached our goals, it was worth all of the time and effort spent," recalled junior Adam Newberry.

Although the girls had hoped to take the title, they were still relatively satisfied. "As a whole, we had a good season, even

though we didn't achieve our main goal of winning CAC's. Everyone was disappointed about our finish because we were so close," admitted junior Vanessa Spencer. Girls' Coach Dave Foy added, "Next year, our best girls will be returning, and we plan to win."

Taking the conference and Regional title, and being named Class A Regional Cross Country Coach of the Year, Jerry Gillett was satisfied, to say the least with his team's performance, "I was happy with this team's success because they really worked hard for it. I've never enjoyed a season quite as much as I did this one."

**-Kari Reynolds**

## Play It Again

### BOYS' VARSITY CROSS COUNTRY

11 Wins, 0 Losses

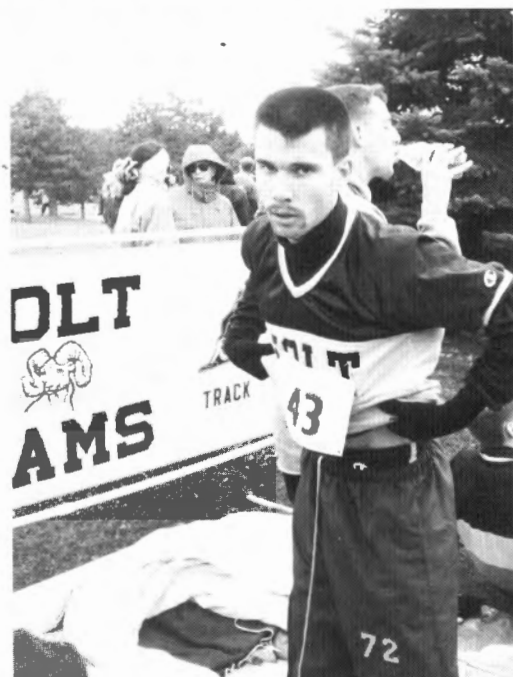
LCC	19-41
East Lansing	27-28
Waverly	18-27
Sexton	19-36
Everett	15-44
Alma	23-32
Mason	18-38
St. Johns	19-39
Jackson	24-32
Lumen Christi	23-32
Eastern	15-49
Grand Ledge	15-40

## Play It Again

### GIRLS' VARSITY CROSS COUNTRY

8 Wins, 4 Losses

LCC	15-50
Waverly	25-30
East Lansing	32-27
Sexton	18-40
Everett	19-40
Alma	27-30
Mason	30-27
St. Johns	30-29
Jackson	26-30
Lumen Christi	31-28
Grand Ledge	26-30
East Lansing	18-37



Preparing for the race is senior Jay Austin. It was

a piece of cake for Jay, as he finished first at the Class A Regional Meet.

Celebrating their championship season after the Regional meet are John

Sonnenberg, Jay Austin, Adam Newberry, Joel Kilgore and Chris Gafner.





### Tab Four

Celebrating their relay team victory over Grand Ledge are seniors Catherine Webster, Janie Allen, Chandra Wheeler, along with junior Amanda Calvert.

### Loose Lips

Chatting while they stretch out before diving is senior Kathi McGroarty, sophomore Rachel Haley, and freshman Julie Nourse. The girls helped the team defeat Grand Ledge, 126-52 on their way to the CAC championship.



### Our Gang

Cheering themselves on is the stoic wall of Varsity Swimmers. The girls kept each other going all year to win the CAC title.



### Girls' Swim Team

**Top Row:** J. Maki, R. Haley, K. Russell, C. Webster, J. Allen, A. Reinke, C. Wheeler, K. McGroarty, K. Bolt.  
**Row 2:** A. Calvert, T.

Sullivan, J. Nourse, S. Pohlonski, L. Wawro, K. Stamp, H. Shernowski.  
**Bottom Row:** L. Rapp, A. Craft, L. Hartman, J. Marikak, M. Malinow, V. Mickle, K. Bowen.





**Big Splash**  
Attempting a front pike during a home meet is

senior Kathi McGroarty. Kathi went on to make the All-Area Team.

# Clean Slate

## *Girls wipe away opponents*

Swimming their way to the Capital Area Conference title, the Girls' Varsity Swim team made a major "splash" in the league this year. The girls outswam the competition and left their opponents in the wake of their 11-0 regular season.

The girls used their heads and did what they needed to do to meet their goals and achieve a top-10 state ranking. "We all started the season with small hopes, but as it progressed, we raised our performance level along with our expectations," stated Head Coach Sean Donegan. The team was state-ranked for most of the season and their luck continued to progress as team members April Reinke,

Amanda Calvert, Tina Sullivan, Lisa Hartman, Keri Bowen, Sarah Pohlonski, and Kathi McGroarty made their way to the state meet.

Before the CAC meet, the girls began the ritual of tapering and shaving. Tapering is when the girls cut out their morning practices to reduce the intensity of their swimming and increase their energy levels for their afternoon practices. Then for a two-week period after the league meet and before the state meet the swimmers don't shave their bodies. By doing this, they keep 22% of the lactate that their body loses when they shave and this helps them perform better.

Going undefeated was not as easy as they made it look, however. Illnesses took their toll physically and mentally. "Everyone was down in the dumps some of the time, especially when a lot of people were sick. Coach helped us remember that we were doing really well, and that we were a team, no matter what the outcome," recalled sophomore Keri Bowen.

Many conference awards were handed out. Among the CAC, All-Area teams and MISCA Top 25 awards were Tina Sullivan, Amanda Calvert, Keri Bowen, April Reinke, Lisa Hartman and Sara Pohlonski. On the All-Area First team was Sara, while Honorable Mention went to Catherine Webster.

--Pam Robedeau

## *Play It Again*

### GIRLS' VARSITY SWIMMING

11 Wins, 0 Losses

St. Johns	114-71
Mason	109-77
Eastern	119-65
A. A. Huron	105-81
Grand Ledge	126-52
Waverly	122-62
Sexton	- 132-53
Okemos	124.5-61.5
Jackson	113-72
East Lansing	113-73
Everett	112-72



### *Haley Storm*

Starting one of her dives in competition with Sexton is sophomore Rachel Haley. Rachel's skills took her to the fourth-place slot in the conference.



# Bumpy Ride

## Volleyball endures harsh season

"Bump!" "Set!" and "Spike!" rang out in the gym during the Girls' Varsity Volleyball games. If screaming counted for points, the team could have taken the conference crown. However, they fell short of their goal for third place, ending up a disappointing seventh. Head Coach Pam Badders reflected, "We had a fun season, the girls always kept smiling, but we really didn't achieve our potential."

The squad kept a strong sense of cooperation tying together their abilities. "We all worked hard together, but at times, there was some trouble with individual motivation," said senior co-captain Jenna Eggert.

Leading server, senior Terra Knoop commented on the team's rollercoaster season, "We were up and down the whole year. I think our best game was against East Lansing. We were down 0-12 at one point and came back to beat them. We really took them down!"

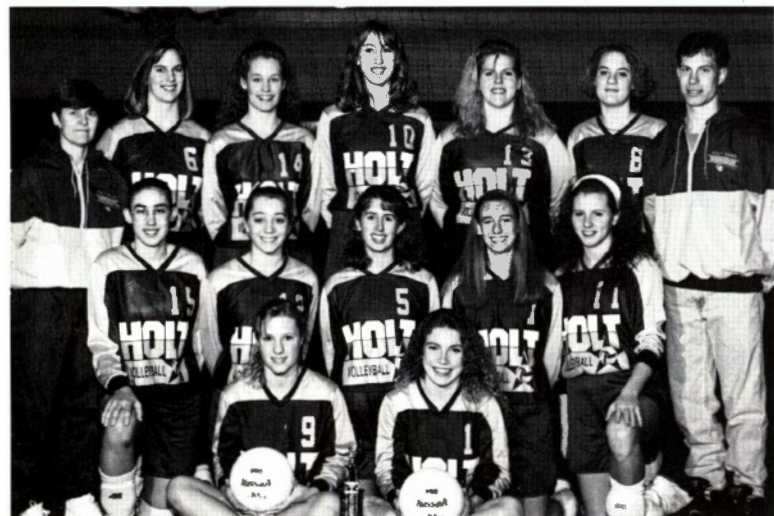
Good fortune was not constant for the team, though. Senior Jill Malm recalled, "At Districts, Terri Stearns tripped me and I ended up falling right on my face. The entire team looked at me, wondering why I was diving for the ball before it was even in play."

The team was led by All-Conference selection Brandy Spitz. Since starting volleyball

in ninth grade, Brandy has become known throughout the area for her blazing spikes and was recognized for her accomplishments by being named the TV-10 Athlete of the Week. "I'm ready now for the next level of competition and I'm looking forward to college," she shared.

As they continued to improve, the girls were proud of the way that they stuck together. "Everybody stood by everyone else. It was really great how we worked together. No matter what our record was, or what the scoreboard said, we played with a total team effort," concluded junior Kirstin Boss.

--Megan Gnass



**Varsity Volleyball**

**Top Row:** Head Coach P. Badders, T. Stearns, J. Eggert, M. Devlin, J. Reich,

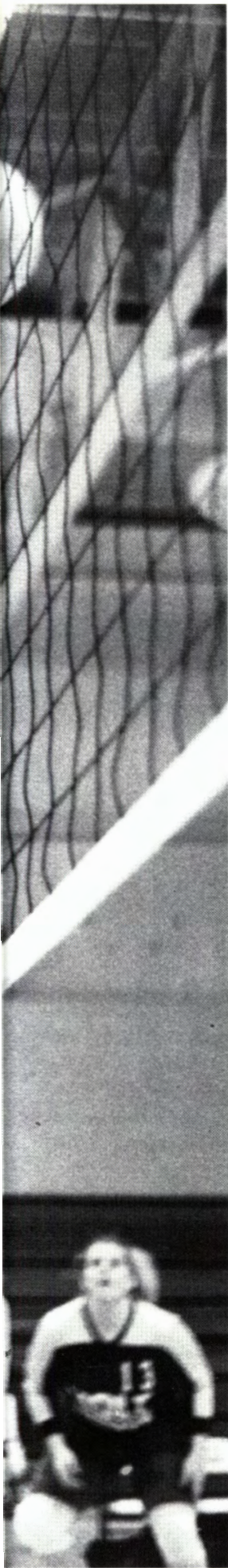
K. Boss, Mgr. B. Cole. **Row 2:** B. Spitz, T. Knoop, A. Schram, C. Baker, C. Baisel. **Bottom Row:** J. Malm, D. Bary.



**Great Wall**

Warming up before the Everett game are seniors Jenna Eggert and Terri Stearns.





### Digging In

Sweeping in for the dig is senior co-captain Jenna Eggert. Fellow

team member Terri Stearns prepares herself for anything.



### Pop-A-Ball

Bumping, for a change, is All-Area senior spike master Brandy Spitz.



## Play It Again

### VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

4 Wins, 9 Losses

East Lansing	13-15, 13-15
	6-15, 15-10, 15-13
Everett	9-15, 9-15
	15-9, 15-12
Waverly	7-15, 12-15
	16-14, 5-15, 16-14
Eastern	15-12, 0-15, 12-15
	13-15, 11-15
Sexton	15-7, 15-6
	15-3, 7-15, 7-15
Grand Ledge	8-15, 16-14, 8-15
	6-15, 5-15
Jackson	13-15, 15-11, 7-15



### Whoa...Buddy

Bringing it together before the Jackson match, the team gathers around Head Coach Pam Badders. Every player agreed that team unity was the important factor for the group.

### Down the Throat

Slamming a return over the net against the Everett Vikings is junior Amanda Schram.



# Clothesline Pin

## *Holt Wrestling is for real!*

Racking up winning seasons for 28 of the last 29 years, the Varsity Wrestling Team has had the greatest number of Capital Area Conference champs with a total of 178 medals. This season, 11 Varsity wrestlers placed in the CAC meet and the 7-0 record was no exception to the level of achievement that the Wrestling program has become accustomed to. Seven out of 12 Varsity wrestlers won individual districts, and of those seven, Corey Mead, Joe Schutte, Josh Hogarth, and Wesley Long went on to win at Regionals and qualified for the state meet.

The team placed first at the district meet only to loose to Portage Central in the Regional finals 33 to 35. "We all had our sights set on the state

meet," said junior Troy Frayer. "The loss at the Regional meet was tough to take and hit everyone really hard. We were expecting to take it all."

The program, like many others, has its own traditions ranging from the march to "We Will Rock You", to the always inspiring fight song. However, the greatest tradition goes deeper than most. Former wrestler David Kost explained, "The number one wrestling tradition is friendship. The guys on the team are real close, like brothers. I would do anything for them and they would do anything for me." Junior C.J. Chappell added, "When you wrestle a guy, it's hard not to get to know him. Wrestling is different than other sports because it's both individual and a team

sport. It's individual during competition, but you have to be a team during practices and during meets. You have to have a good line up and get your six points on the scoreboard."

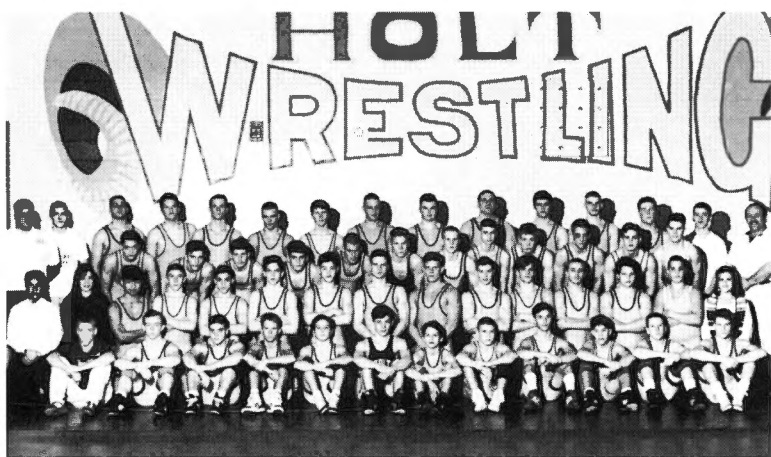
Therein lay the core of the winning momentum. Wrestling proved to be a matter of survival--survival of the fittest. "People who want it stay. People that just want to be a part of the team quit," speculated senior Tom Holbrook. "We practice every day from 3:15 to 5:30 p.m. It feels like it's 99 degree up there because of the humidity and it stinks real bad from sweat. You can never leave practice without giving it your all, 110 percent," informed sophomore Corey Mead. "Even though it gets tough, I could never quit. It's some-

thing I've done all of my life. If I quit the team, it would be like quitting life," concluded Corey.

Beyond winning, the team was in agreement that they wrestle to have fun. As Head Coach Rocky Shaft was always quick to point out, "When it comes to wrestling, you can do it to have fun, but remember that winning is more fun than losing."

When asked about their individual goals, most of the wrestlers spoke of winning the conference, districts, or the Regional, but for senior Erik Walley it was "to simply maintain a Varsity position." Erik took it with a smile, though, knowing that unless he could beat the state qualifiers in front of him, he would find himself watching, more than wrestling.

--Pete Kenyon,  
Jada Bowden



**Top Row:** D. Komm, J. Royston, J. Beck, N. Penfield, S. Malone, D. Fowler, H. Holly, B. Canen, S. Robedeau, J. Schutte, M. Sharp, B. Davenport, M. Taylor, S. McKimmy, Head

Coach R. Shaft. **Row 2:** L. Mithcell, C. Hammond, T. Holbrook, J. Turner, L. Smith, T. Welsh, C. Moubray, G. Sharp, T. Hayes, T. Frayer, E. Walley, R. Czubak. **Row 3:** W. Long, H. Beavers, C. J. Chappell, B. Cohoon, J. Corr, J. Bowles, C. Sharp, J.

Hogarth, C. Mead, N. Miller, T. Shaver, J. Kolonich, D. Zenker, M. Molino. **Bottom Row:** R. Clark, J. Forquer, J. Bleisner, S. Malone, B. Hamnasch, P. Kenyon, G. Williams, M. Bowden, J. Gilreath, J. Whalen, R. Renolds, J. Schopp.

## *Play It Again*

### VARSITY WRESTLING

7 Wins, 0 Losses

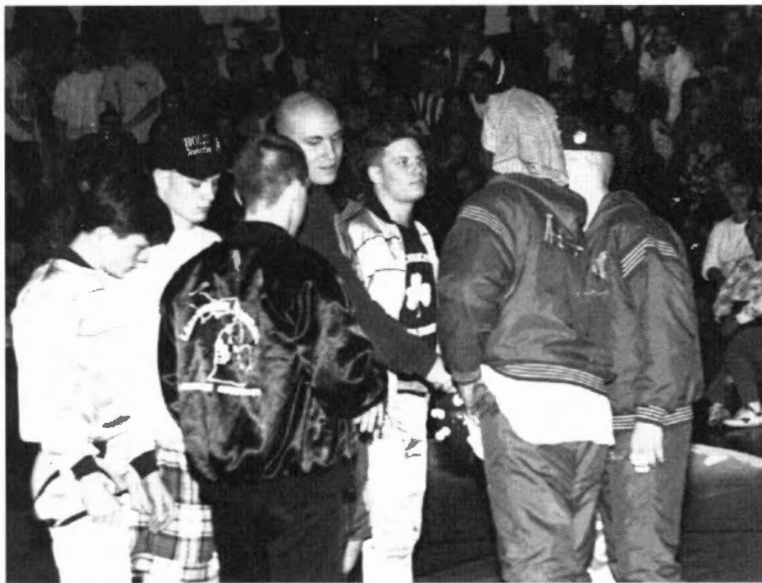
East Lansing	70-6
Everett	59-6
Waverly	33-26
Eastern	57-11
Sexton	39-22
Grand Ledge	71-6
Jackson	57-15



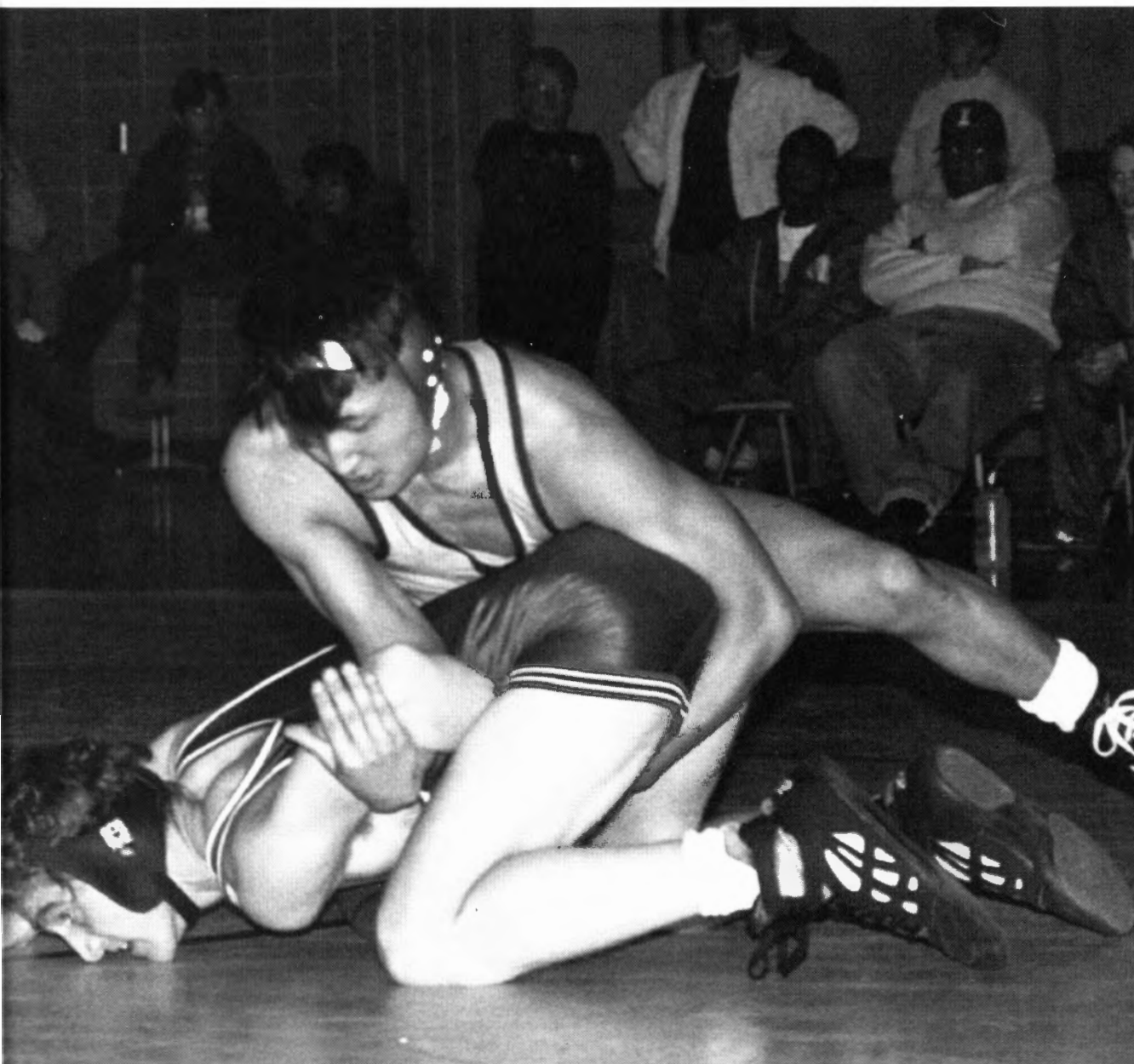


Embracing his Big Red opponent is sophomore Corey Mead. Corey was

known for his 'Mad Dog' style throughout the conference and placed in the top ten at the state meet.



Toiling over the outcome of the coin toss are seniors Joe Schutte, Pete Kenyon, Chris Sharp, and Josh Hogarth. As well as being named All-State in football, Josh captured the state title in his weight class.



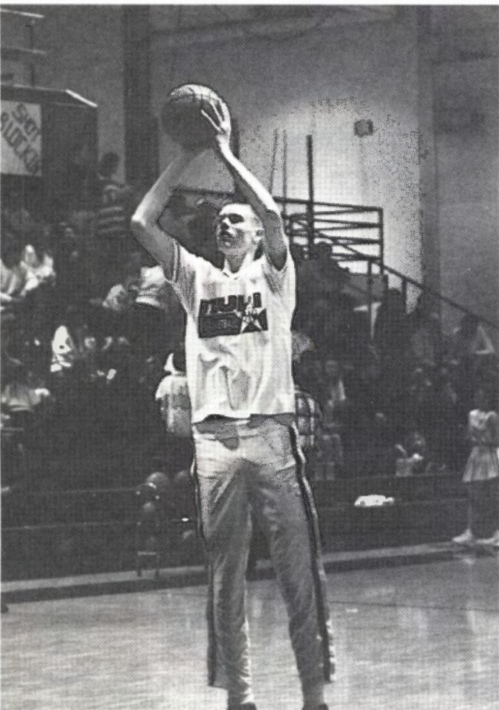
Stuffing his Sexton counterpart's face through the mat is junior C. J. Chappell. Not only did C. J. introduce his opponent to a mouthful of floor, but also the sour taste of defeat.



**Danger**

Momentarily stumped on his next move after

picking up his dribble is senior guard Chad Anderson.



**Warming Up**

Looming over the rest before a home game is 6'8" junior center Ben Bakken.

**Seconds**

Trying to find junior Ryan Brookes is senior captain Damon Parker against East Lansing.



**Run Boys**

In a show of spirit after the announcement of the

starters, the whole team brings it together before the Waverly game.





# Around the Rim

## *B Ball team close, not quite over the top*

Not only was it the beginning of a new season, it was the start of a new game plan. With Holt's famed point guard, Jason Black, off to Western Michigan, the time had come for Head Coach Bruce Lerner to develop a new strategy. "A real turn was taken from last year's unanimous conference MVP to this year's, 'The team' is the MVP," stated senior Chad Anderson.

With only four seniors, the team was lacking experience. "We're a very young and less experienced team building for the future," said senior Corey Baisel. The

group was stuck in the bottom slot of the Capital Area Conference and predicted, by those of little faith, to stay there. "No one thought we'd do anything this year and yet, there was really only one team we couldn't have beaten," commented senior forward Damon Parker.

Despite the lack of confidence people had in the Rams, they were said, by other coaches, to be the toughest team to prepare for in the league. They also went on to have the second-best away record in the conference, going 5-2. Of the games they didn't win, five were

within a few points. "In two words, I'd describe our team as the Cardiac Kids," reflected junior Darnell Powers, "because our games were always so close they gave you a heart attack. It always came down to the last second." The team ended the season 7-7 in the conference. They accepted this as satisfactory, given the pre-season predictions.

Chad Anderson summarized, "Our weakness was that we weren't mentally prepared for our games." Junior Ben Bakken added, "We always played at the other team's level. We could ei-

ther run with Sexton, or walk with Grand Ledge."

But when all went right on game night, success was the result. "Our best game was when we beat Everett. They were one of the best teams in the league. It was their Homecoming and they were cocky. The smell of upset was in the air," added Darnell.

The team advanced to the semi-finals of the district playoffs, losing to Battle Creek Central. This left the team at 7-13, and filled the juniors and sophomores with optimism for the next year.

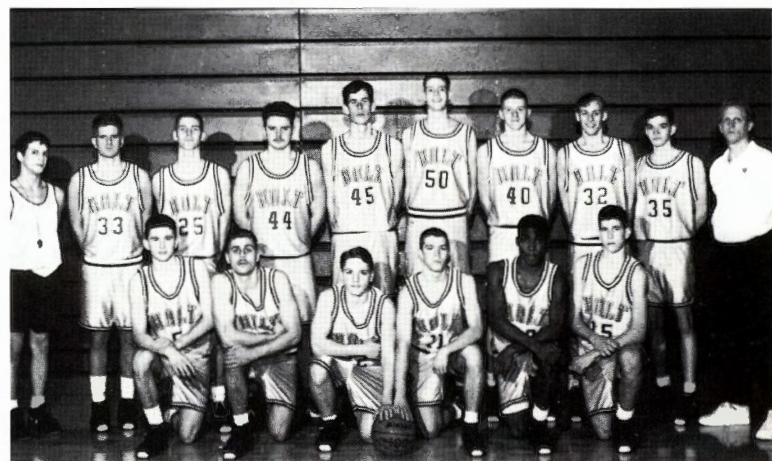
--Katie Roessler

## *Play It Again*

### VARSITY BASKETBALL

9 Wins, 13 Losses

Mason	49-53
St. Johns	76-78
Okemos	63-77
LCC	71-40
Eaton Rapids	73-96
East Lansing	73-57, 74-73
Everett	60-62, 61-58
Waverly	56-72, 62-61
Eastern	77-78, 64-61
Sexton	61-71, 46-63
Grand Ledge	62-45, 45-43
Jackson	43-64, 60-62



### *Varsity Basketball*

**Top Row:** D. Ryckman, C. Baisel, T. Schram, B. McKouen, B. McWilliams, B. Bakken, J.

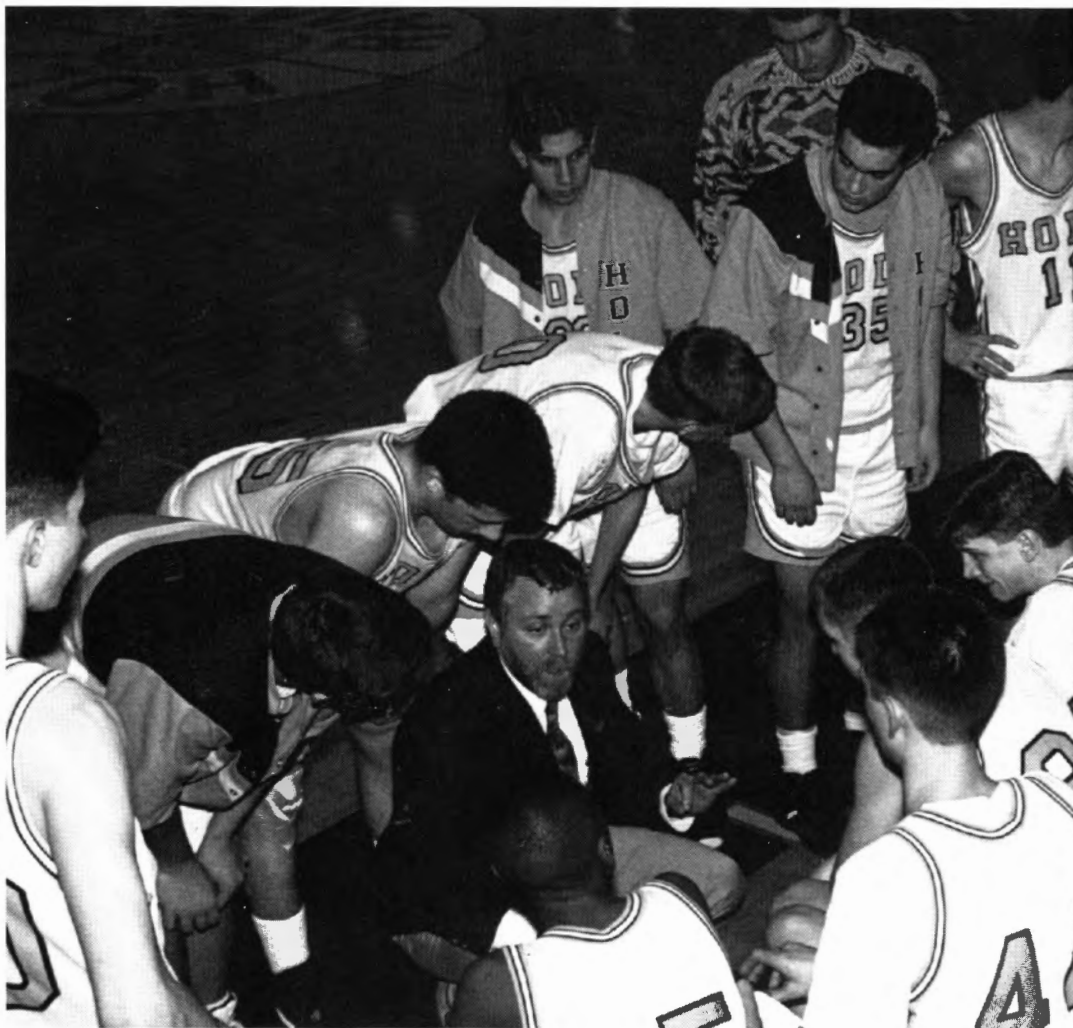
Barrett, D. Parker, C. Fulk, Head Coach B. Lerner. **Bottom Row:**

R. Brookes, J. Schultz, C. Anderson, T. Kenney, D. Powers, R. Grant.





Driving through the East Lansing defense is sophomore guard Paul Anderson. Paul was the team's leading scorer.



**Top Row:** Head Coach D. Foy, M. Bechler, M. Thompson, T. McKouen, M. Vandlen, C.

Sherry, J. Brown, D. Lang. **Bottom Row:** A. Merchant, D. Alward, B. Myers, P. Anderson, B.

Gamet, S. Lawrence. **Foreground:** G. Blackman, D. Birch.





# Winter Hoopfest

## *Junior Varsity & Intramural heat up the court*



Students saw yet another fun filled, rim-rockin', trash-talkin' season in the Intramural Basketball League. The games never ceased to dazzle on a nightly basis with exciting displays of basketball 'skilz.' But they did do more than just pump adrenaline through fans and players alike. "The league does the community a good deed by giving kids something to do," said junior Dylan Brown.

The league is organized by Delhi Parks and Recreation and is made up of ten teams chosen by a captain with a minimum of

seven players per team. The teams played nine games, and then competed in a tournament. The two teams with the best record got a bye in the first two rounds. The other teams paired up and played until a final four had been forged.

The title went to the Spur Posse. This dynasty led by seniors Mark Wulff and Ross Baker dominated the competition regularly for the past three years. The team compiled a 38-3 record while taking two league titles.

Winning wasn't where the focus was, though. "I-M",

as it is commonly referred to, offered a good time for all. "The best thing about the league is that you get to pick your own teams and play against friends," commented senior John Haidamous.

The league gave students who didn't make the Varsity team a chance to enjoy a fun and competitive sport. Even superstition played a key part in every game. Ross Baker stated, "Our team had to wear black socks each time out to give us that extra edge."

This was the arena for kids who wanted no pres-

sure, no coaches, and just flat out ball-playin'. The teams that contributed their time to the image of I-M were E=mc<sup>2</sup>, Fabulous Baker Boys, LTN, The Clinic, We Drop Bombs, Above the Law, Hard II Obtain, The Green Wave, Jerry's Kids, and the champion Spur Posse. Their reward for going all the way--a T-shirt and bragging rights throughout the school. When all was said and done, the season brought good times and the chance to meet once more on the court in the playground.

--Dan Cupples

Talking the game over during a timeout is the JV Basketball Team. Head Coach Dave Foy helped guide the team through their rough spots in a 9-11 season.

Getting that high Juwan Howard arm-extension over his East Lansing defender is sophomore Greg Blackman. Holt went on to win 65-55.

## Play It Again

### BOYS' JV BASKETBALL

9 Wins, 11 Losses

Mason	57-53
St. Johns	59-75
Waverly	59-56, 56-62
Okemos	58-67, 69-58
Jackson	44-37, 52-47
East Lansing	54-76, 65-55
Everett	47-71, 43-44
Grand Ledge	41-55, 56-55
LCC	49-78
Eastern	54-46, 53-60
Eaton Rapids	51-41
Sexton	58-59, 49-76



Going at it underneath the boards during an intramural game are juniors Ryan Thies and Zach Wahl. The two were among the many guys who looked for a game of hard, solid, hoop sponsored by Delhi Parks and Recreation.



### *Lone Vaulter*

Executing on vault is Christy DeWitt. "Vault is my favorite event, but it makes me nervous when everybody is watching," she shared.



### *10 on the Floor*

Completing her floor exercise is sophomore Amy Nourse in the meet against Sexton. The team went on to win 131.05-110.85.



### *Line Up*

Standing for the National Anthem before the Jackson meet is the Gymnastics Team.



### *Varsity Gymnastics*

**Top Row:** A. Corr, L. Brunsting, C. DeWitt, A. Nourse, W. Kirkham, A. Dodson, J. Nourse.  
**Bottom Row:** Head Coach T. Cauffman, J. Boersema, N. Armstrong, N. Hartman, S. Feaster, Coach D. Queen. **Foreground:** C. Pennell, S. Smieska.



## *Play It Again*

### VARSITY GYMNASTICS

10 Wins, 1 Loss

East Lansing	133.6-137.75
Everett	128.25-104.7
Waverly	133.15-131.7
Eastern	124.2-102.35
Sexton	131.05-110.85
Jackson	131.15-110.15
Jackson NW	127.7-108.05
Haslett	120.9-103.65
Mason	130.2-124.65
St. Johns	127.65-116.45
Hartland	136.4-135.9





# Near Perfect

## *Injuries hold gymnasts from gold*

Through screams of joy, and cries of pain, the Varsity Gymnastics Team didn't have an easy ride to their 10-1 season record and third place finish in the Capital Area Conference. They adapted to new coaches and pushed themselves to the limit. "The new coaches made all the difference this year. With them, we had fun and worked hard to achieve new tricks," noted senior Christa Pennell.

The girls were looking for that extra something that would allow them to defend their conference title. For that little magical intangible, they looked to their new leaders. Sophomore Christy DeWitt added, "Our coaches deserve so much credit. They took an unsure team and turned it around."

Besides hard practices and new

coaching, the girls had to deal with injuries as well. "I was hit with bad shin injuries early in the season, so I had to miss a couple of the less important meets in order to rest," stated junior Stacy Smieska. Sophomore Wendy Kirkham added, "Our team's only weak spots were the injuries. It's really difficult to concentrate on your routine when you're worried about how your body will hold up."

Oftentimes, injuries caused the girls to depend more on their teammates. "Even though there were ups and downs, I knew I could always depend on the team for their spirit, unity, and support," explained Christy. Perhaps the time they needed each other most was during the difficult meets against East Lansing and Hartland. After suffering a disappointing

four-point loss to East Lansing, the team rebounded to beat Hartland. Wendy recalled, "I think Hartland was our toughest meet because we'd just lost to East Lansing two days before. It really proved the fact that our team had a strong character."

The team ended the season with a disappointing CAC meet and took fourth at Regionals. Four girls, Stacy Smieska, Kristin Duncan, Julie Nourse, and Christa Pennell all qualified for the State tournament. Christa received first on beam, third on floor and all-around and fifth on uneven bars, while Julie placed twelfth on floor. Stacy concluded, "This season, we all pulled together and became very close. We all knew that if any magic was going to happen, we would have to push to make it ourselves."

**--Dana Dillon**



Performing her beam routine is sophomore Amy Corr. "I've been in gymnastics for 6 years

and this was the first year that I competed on beam. Our coaches were really caring, and they helped me learn a lot of new tricks," Amy said.



# No Sweat

## Swimmers float through conference

It was five o'clock, Saturday night and the victory cheer was heard in the stands. Setting high goals and pushing their strength to the limit were the factors that earned the conference title for the Boys' Varsity Swimming and Diving Team. Sophomore Bryan Heany reflected, "I'm happy with the way the season went and with my personal achievements. We couldn't have asked for a better conference ending."

Others thought more of their victory as destiny. "Second place wasn't good enough. We wanted to be first more than anyone else and we got what we wanted. We were chosen to win and there was no hope for the other teams," boasted junior Daryl Myers.

During the season, there were more cheers than jeers as the team defeated all of their conference competition. However, losing to Okemos and Alma was disappointing for a

team so accustomed to winning. But beating their long-time rival, East Lansing, gave them the attitude to insure a winning season. "Everyone was very excited to swim against East Lansing, and it showed. We were all very worked up and everyone knew that victory would be ours. It was total team determination, and there was absolutely nothing that the Trojans could do about it," stated junior Scott Hultberg.

Although Holt crushed their competitors at CACs, not everyone thought they had worked hard enough. Maybe with a little more effort they all could have ranked in the top five in the conference in their various events. "I feel that if I had tried more and worked a little harder I could have taken at least fourth in diving," admitted sophomore Chad Lesnieski.

Working hard and doing their best

in competition wasn't the only focal point of being on the team. Friendship was also a big part. Being able to get along with everyone may not have sounded like a walk in the park, but after the first few weeks everyone had come together. Team captain Mike Rutherford offered the full story. "This was the hardest season I can remember. It was tough to work on swimming and even harder to get along with our teammates. I think the only reason we got along at all was because we wanted a piece of East Lansing and the conference title. We succeeded and that's all that counted to any of us. Winning brought us together as a team."

Making friends didn't start out as top priority, but it came inevitably. The team was determined this year, that no matter what, nothing would stand between them and the victory.

--Megan Ketchum

### Blast Off

Exploding off of the blocks during a home meet versus Sexton is senior Greg Setla. His effort helped defeat the Big Reds 110-75.





### Don't Bother Me

Relaxing before practice is sophomore Chad Lesnieski along with

freshman Colin Janetzke. Staying loose was an important factor in the swimmers' winning.

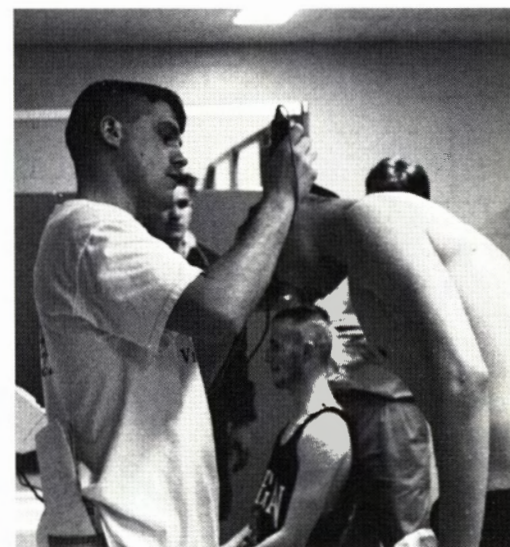


### Look Ma...

Soaring through his half twist is sophomore Bryan Heany in the home meet against Sexton. Bryan went on to place third in the CAC.

### No Turning Back

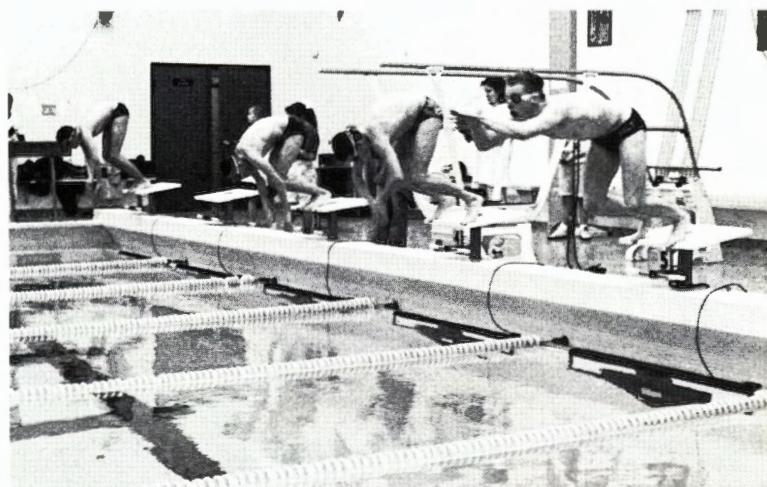
Submitting to Coach Sean Donegan's pair of electric clippers is junior Mike Rutherford. Head shaving has come to be a pre-league meet tradition.



### Play It Again

#### BOYS' VARSITY SWIMMING 8 Wins, 2 Losses

Okemos	88-96
Sexton	110-75
Eastern	132-50
Alma	84-101
Grand Ledge	136-47
Waverly	120-60
Everett	141-44
Mason	107-40
Jackson	129-54
East Lansing	103-83



### And They're Off!

Taking off from the blocks is senior Eric Hartman

in the meet with Sexton. Eric went on to place first in the 50 yd Freestyle at the CAC meet.



# Magnum XL200

## Girls' Soccer enjoys a sharp-turn roller coaster ride

The Girls' Varsity Soccer team had a few run-ins with some strong teams, which accounted for their 7-9-3 season. One of the teams that gave them trouble was Battle Creek Lakeview. Junior Trystin Kleiman commented, "It's not often that we come across a team that truly is better than us, a team that you have to admire, however, Battle Creek Lakeview was one of those teams."

Hard practices and team unity helped to bring the players together. "This season was really intense. We recognized that we had some real talent on the team and

taking advantage of it was a challenge," commented junior Allison Wood. Senior Kelly Larsen added, "Last season, we lost to Grand Ledge by a penalty kick, so this year we really wanted to win. Unfortunately, we lost again on a penalty shot."

Often it was the difficult games that players remembered most. "There are so many moments that a player remembers, so many flashbacks. I think I will always remember the times when I shot and missed and all the times I saw an opponent's shot go in, knowing it was irreversible," added Trystin.

The girls also took some time out to have some fun. Sophomore, Julie Smith recalled, "I'll never forget the away game with Grand Ledge. All three of the referees couldn't speak fluent English, nor could they speak the same languages. This caused some confusion and laughs. However, it also caused both coaches to get angry and get slapped with red cards, which are the same in any language!" The team also had to endure the loss of senior goalie Kim Lawrence due to a knee injury during a skiing trip.

Overall, the team had a roller

coaster season in the process of winning some and losing some, and having fun overall. The team went on to win their first district game against Grand Ledge 1-0, and the season came to a close against the East Lansing Trojans in a bitter defeat.

Topping it all off five players were named to the Lansing State Journal All-Area teams. Receiving a First Team slot was Trystin Kleiman, Second Team, Katie Greenwood and Allison Wood, and Honorable Mention went to Tricia Benson and Heather Milligan.

--Dana Dillon

Winning the fifty fifth ball over Okemos is junior midfielder Trystin Kleiman. The Chiefs won the game 3-0 after a tough-fought battle.

Homing in on the ball are junior Trystin Kleiman and freshman Tricia Benson. Tricia was the only freshman on the team and won the award for Most Improved Player.



**Top Row:** Coach A. Rojas, J. Nourse, J. Pierson, N. Belles, T. Kleiman, A. Wood, M. Mitchell, H. Milligan, J.

Smith, T. Benson. **Row 2:** Coach T. Perleberg, Coach M. Obrecht, M. Dickinson, K. Greenwood, K. Lawrence, M. Katsiris, J. Allen, S. Skoczylas, J. Maki, S.

Wolff. **Bottom Row:** Mgr. T. Evenson, C. Eisenzimmer, E. Ortiz, M. Dalton, C. Cross, B. Martin, K. Larsen, A. Ortiz, Mgr. J. Gilroy, Coach H. Rojas. **Foreground:** K. Miller, K. Witsaman, S. McCarty.

## Play It Again

### GIRLS' VARSITY SOCCER

7 Wins, 9 Losses, 3 Ties

East Lansing	0-7
Okemos	0-5, 0-3
Marshall	2-0, 2-0
LCC	2-2
Grand Ledge	0-1, 0-0
Waverly	0-1, 1-3
Jackson CW	0-0
Mason	0-2
Haslett	1-0
BC Lakeview	0-6
Flint Carmen	2-0
DeWitt	3-1, 2-0





During the penalty kick-off in the game with Grand Ledge, the team


poses for the camera. The cheers and big smiles helped defeat the Comets, 1-0.




Talking strategy with senior Nicole Belles is assistant coach Mark Obrecht during the Okemos meet.






**Top Row:** A. Merchant, A. Trevino, M. Looney, L. McRae, S. Smith, K. Havens. **Row 2:** Coach T. Currin, S. Mantyla, R. Ferman, S. Johnson, J. Furrow, J. Taylore, D. Reed, Coach M. Coscorella. **Bottom Row:** A. Mayes, C. Allen, E. Corey, A. Allen, S. May, J. Buckner.




 Rocketing one past his Everett opponent is pitcher Adam Trevino. The effort did not yield a win in the end as the Rams came up short 4-5.



In full swing against his Eastern opponent is senior Jack Furrow while the dug out follows his drive on home field .

Entertaining visions of how the team will fare against the Eastern Quakers is junior David Reed.



Awaiting the catch from third is senior Lee McRae in the home game against

Eastern. The Rams came up short 5-6, but Lee went on to be named All-Academic League at season end.

# Dashed Hopes

*Baseball season is thrown curve ball*

It was another year under the sun for the boys of spring. With senior captains Shane May, Scott Johnson, and Scott Smith leading the way, along with other returning starters Lee McRae, Juan Trevino, and Jack Furrow, the group had plenty of experience to guide them through the year. The team was predicted to finish third in the Capital Area Conference, rated by the Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Association as the toughest league in the state.

The team began the season with an intense training camp. The players loaded up their car and headed down to Tennessee in order to escape the harsh Michigan spring. The objective was to build team camaraderie by going away for their first year of out-of-state training. The team also found time to enjoy nature with such activities as white water rafting. Scott Smith said, "It was great fun, just being able to play baseball and hang out with one another. We had some good times doing various things and playing practical jokes on one another."

When the team came back, they began the season just the way they had hoped to sparked by a 7-4 triumph in non-conference play. The second game was dropped early due to darkness, and Holt fell 11-5. From then on, the team hit a landslide, going 5-13 through mid-season. With the year nearly over, the team was looking for anything to

spark them to the level that they knew they were capable of playing.

Individual highlights helped brighten up the slump. Senior Scott Johnson recalled, "Against Grand Ledge, our biggest rival, I hit two homeruns and went four for eight during both games."

Unable to snag their first win, the team slid through conference play to a mark of 0-10, but finally broke their streak versus Sexton. Playing well for a much-needed victory were Lee McRae and pitcher Shane May who tossed a one hitter through 4 1/3 innings, while Juan Trevino stepped in for the save. The team's play brightened slightly at Districts as they defeated Battle Creek Lakeview.

Ending 8-23 for the season and 1-13 for the conference, two players, Scott Johnson and Jason Buckner were named to the All-District team. Scott Mantyla and Lee McRae were named All-Academic District.

--Shane May

## Play It Again

VARSITY BOYS' TENNIS  
7 Wins, 6 Losses

East Lansing	0-7
Eastern	5-2
Everett	7-0
Sexton	6-1
Waverly	5-2
Jackson	2-5
Grand Ledge	5-2
St. Johns	7-4
LCC	4-3
Mason	1-6
Okemos	0-7
DeWitt	5-2



# Musical Rackets

## Change sweeps through Guys' Tennis Team

It was a season of high expectations, disappointments and surprises for the Boys' Varsity Tennis team. Through many of the close matches and difficult losses, the team managed to pull together and remain tough with a season record of 7 wins and 6 losses.

A new addition to the team of freshman Julie Vanlerberghe provided a few surprises and some controversy. "Julie definitely deserves our respect," commented senior Matt Cook. "She fought for her place on the team. Her consistency killed everyone." At the end, her hard work paid off as she was seeded fourth at CAC's.

Coach Bill York wasn't sure what to expect from the Varsity team. "Our weakness was that we didn't have a lot of experience. We didn't have many returning players." The team's strength was the four singles players of Jeremy Eagle, Matt Lennox, Tim Anderson, and Julie Vanlerberghe. Mr. York credited first singles player Jeremy Eagle as being a key contributor to the team. "He's very talented and did well in competition. The highlight meet for the season was beating Lansing Catholic Central by coming from behind for two of the matches and winning," commented Coach York.

Other highlights also made the sea-

son memorable. "The near-brawl with Mason was the most prominent match," recalled Matt Cook. "After Jeremy Eagle beat his opponent in a third set tie-breaker, Eagle called the last ball out which won him the match. The other guy was so upset that his coach had to hold him back." Another humorous highlight was described by junior Tim Schram. "At Jackson, Tim Anderson was behind in his match and getting frustrated. Finally, he just turned around and told everyone watching the match to leave. It made everyone laugh."

For other players, it wasn't what happened during the match, but af-

ter that made the season memorable. "Julie's mom always brought us food and a big container of animal crackers," replied senior Jeff Monroe.

Although the team improved throughout the season, the competition was oftentimes too tough. Although the team was disappointed somewhat with the record, that didn't stop them from enjoying the season. Four players received All-CAC honors. Placing third were Jeremy Eagle, Matt Lennox and Julie Vanlerberghe, while Tim Anderson placed fourth.

--Andrea Cook



**Varsity Tennis**

**Top Row:** T. Schram,

J. Eagle, A. Beha, J. Monroe, B. Gleason, G. Setla, Head Coach B.

York. **Bottom Row:** J. Vartanian, J. Vanlerberghe, M. Cook, T. Anderson, C. Hill.

## Play It Again

### BOYS' VARSITY TENNIS

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Everett	7-0
Sexton	6-1
Waverly	5-2
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Grand Ledge	5-2
St. Johns	7-4
LCC	4-3
Mason	1-6
Okemos	0-7
DeWitt	5-2

## Back at It

Putting full force into his return against Okemos is senior Matt Cook. Despite the effort, Holt fell to the Chiefs, 0-7.

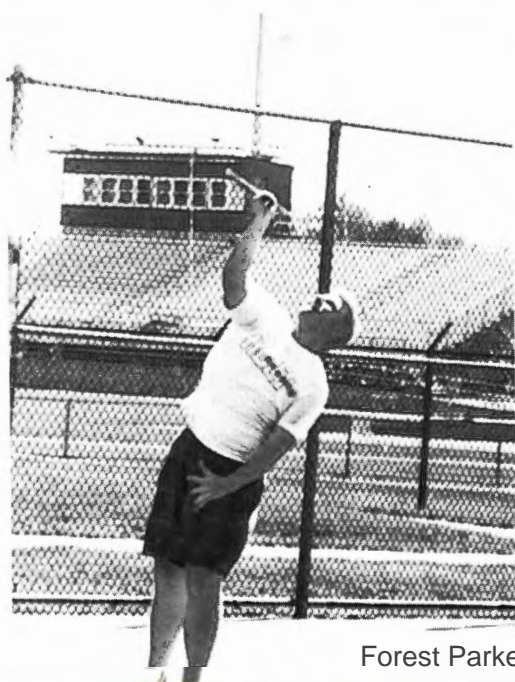
## You're Reaching

Bending over backwards to get to the ball is senior Jeff Monroe in his volley with opponent Okemos.





Getting maximum body stretch is senior Matt Lennox who played second singles during the season.



Seeking out the ball in a home match against Okemos is sophomore Jeremy Eagle. Jeremy played first singles in his second year on Varsity.

Returning a volley from an Okemos opponent is freshman Julie Vanlerberghe who played her first year on the Boys' Varsity squad.



### Magnet Woman

Fielding a grounder is second baseman junior Cathey Baker while right fielder Christy Baisel comes in for the back-up. Cathey started nearly every game in her new position.



### Varsity Softball

**Top Row:** S. Morden, L. Koelzer, C. Ford, J. Eggert, H. Smith, A. Viele, J. McDonald, K.

Hayes, Head Coach P. Somers. **Bottom Row:** T. Reynolds, K. Roessler, C. Baker, N. Deetz, C. Baisel, S. Rennirt, S. Roberts, M. Sifuentes.



### Special K

Whipping another one of her 'patented' strikes across the plate is senior

Sarah Roberts. Sarah ended her injury riddled season at 8-5 and made All-CAC Second Team.





# 'TRI-TRI-TRI' AGAIN

*Varsity Softball hits the third tri-master*

For the third year in a row, the Girls' Varsity Softball team set out to beat their long-standing, almost reserved, third place in the Capital Area Conference. Once again, they missed this goal and dropped to fourth.

"We felt we were a much better team this year and that made this season particularly rough. We thought we could have finished higher in the final standings this time around, but with our tough schedule,

we just got worn out," explained senior Teresa Reynolds.

Too many games in too little time was part of the problem for the team this season. At one point during the year, in a span of a week and a half, the girls had to face off against 14 different teams. "Playing continuously really drains you. I just didn't have it in me to go out that many times and play one hundred percent," revealed first baseman Heather Smith.

Even with a lull in the middle of the season, due to Michigan's 'favor-

able' spring weather, the girls were still able to pull together in the end to beat previously undefeated Grand Ledge. "I think we started playing better towards the end of the year. We swept Grand Ledge, who was in first place. We were very excited about defeating them because it was our last conference season finale. We wanted to prove to everyone that we were a better team than what our record showed," stated junior pitcher Christy Baisel.

After ending conference play, the team went on to

compete in the District tournament. Winning their first game over Battle Creek Central, the girls advanced to the District finals and faced Charlotte. The Orioles triumphed, 6-1, bringing the season to an end.

Receiving All-CAC selections were Maria Sifuentes and Sarah Roberts at Second Team Outfield, and Pitcher respectively, while Katie Roessler, Jenna Eggert, Chereese Ford and Christy Baisel earned Honorable Mention.

--Katie Roessler

## Play It Again

### VARSITY SOFTBALL

9 Wins, 5 Losses

Mason	5-10
Charlotte	5-4, 1-0, 6-1
East Lansing	12-2, 13-7
Okemos	8-7, 10-4
Eastern	10-16, 13-16
Everett	6-7, 2-9
Sexton	2-0, 5-4, 10-4
Waverly	12-1, 15-5
Jackson	8-4, 10-9
Haslett	8-5, 9-5
Grand Ledge	7-6, 8-7
B.C. Lakeview	13-3
B.C. Central	6-1

### 3 Up, 3 Down

Meeting at the mound are infielders Kelly Hayes, Chereese Ford, Katie Roessler, Cathey Baker, Sarah Roberts, and Heather Smith. They huddled up and did a cheer before the start of every game.



### Big Hunt

Checking her runner at first is senior Heather Smith in the home game

against Everett. The Rams split with the Vikings 7-6, 9-2.



Blazing through their Waverly opponents are junior Lee Smith and freshman Lance Davis. The Rams shut out the Warriors 114-49.

Winding up in the discus is sophomore Steve Robedeau against Sexton. Eventual conference champs, the Big Red barely escaped Troost Field with a four-point victory.



Tearing out of the blocks is junior Matt Stauffer. Matt shocked the track

world by exchanging the shot put for the 100m Dash, earning himself a spot on the All-Conference 400m Relay team.



Readying himself for the final jump in the Pole

Vault event is freshman Tom Welsh. This was Tom's first season on the Varsity Track team.



Jeff Jewett is Jake Fortuna. The 3200m Relay helped the team defeat Waverly.





# Finally!

## *Boys' Track Team wins big!*

The Boys' Varsity Track team completed its best showing in 12 years, highlighted by an exciting league meet, finishing third at CACs, and taking home a winning season for the first time in 13 years. Respect was finally earned as the team finished with a 5-3 overall record.

Last fall's Cross Country Regional Coach of the Year, Jerry Gillett slapped together a rag-tag group of athletes reminiscent of the "Bad News Bears." The sprinting legion was able to hang with the big boys on the strength of senior Jack Treloar, junior flash Darnell Powers, the quiet speed of jun-

ior Jeff Smith, and sophomore surprise J. J. Berg. Junior Matt Stauffer became the only weight man in Holt's history to do more running than just up to 7-11 before a meet. Matt helped jolt the team by hanging up his shot put for a spot as one of the fastest men on the team.

The two-mile relay of freshman Mike Sode, sophomores Jake Fortuna and Jeff Jewett, along with junior Adam Newberry tossed out their fifth place seed and went on to take first. Adam, coming off a bout with the flu, took on East Lansing's top mile runner mano y mano, winning by the skin of his feet, to take

yet another first with a scintillating time of 4:38 in what proved to be one of the most exciting races of the year.

On both the track and field, there was state placer junior Jeff Williams. Jeff, in a normal day, would win the 100 Meter High Hurdles, claim the school record in the 300 Meter Hurdles, long jump over 20 feet, and high jump 6'8". The only thing Jeff didn't do was pole vault, only because best friend, junior Lee Smith, had that arena covered. Lee took first in every dual meet this season but one, making a regular season high of 13 feet, and hurling himself into a three-way

tie for third place and an all-time school record.

Junior Jason Bedford, ex-holder of the title "Best Male Athlete" proved how he once earned that mammoth moniker by throwing the 8-lb. shot over 50 feet in the Class A Regional Meet, naming him Regional champion.

With two Regional champs, and six conference title holders, the talent finally came together in the end. The team was able to confidently look over their opponents and know that they had given their all, and could quietly say, 'Hey, we actually won a few this year.'

--Ed Murray

## *Play It Again*

### BOYS' VARSITY TRACK

5 Wins, 3 Losses

Everett	105-69
Sexton	78.5-84.5
Mason	89-61
Eastern	132-31
East Lansing	76-87
Jackson	117-46
Grand Ledge	71-92
Waverly	114-49
Mason Invit.	4th
CAC	3rd



### *Boys' Varsity Track*

**Top Row:** Coach J. Campbell, D. Powers, J. Bedford, S. Robedeau, P. Markel, B. Davenport, J. Smith, B. Guenther.  
**Row 2:** Coach R. Bach-

man, J. Jewett, R. LaFeve, M. Shunn, L. Davis, D. Gould, J. Schultz, T. Welsh, C. Gafner, J. Fortuna, J. Williams, L. Smith, Coach J. Gillett. **Row 3:** D. Birch, C. Montie, C. Moubray, E. Murray, J.

Treloar, M. Sode, G. Acker, J. Austin, A. Newberry, J. Ehnis, J. Murgittroid. **Bottom Row:** E. Crouk, B. Hill, J. Berg, D. Resio, J. Forquer, K. Fowlkes, C. Carvalho, B. Cole, B. Hemenway, M. Stauffer.



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Whipping the shot against Waverly is senior Terrie Stearns. Terrie helped provide leadership to the young team this season.



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Leaping over the hurdles is junior Kristen Araoz side by side with sophomore Nikki Malm. The two combined to help defeat arch foe Waverly.



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Getting ready to start her leg of the Two Mile Relay is Jamie Grant on Troost Field against Waverly, May 17.



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Cool as ice is sophomore Nikki Malm as she prepares for the 100 Meter

Hurdles against her Warrior opponents. The team beat Waverly and went on to claim the CAC title.





# Breaking the Tape

*Finally, Girls' Track no longer the bridesmaid*

Although the Girls' Varsity Track Team consisted of only five upperclassmen, the team ended up with an overall record of 8-0. They placed second at the CAC meet which was held at Jackson, leaving them with the conference crown.

Athletes running track were competing mainly against themselves to reach their own goals, but they were also members of a team that supported one another. "Being my first year, I felt I ran very well. I had no experience, but I reached most of my goals," stated senior Diana Bar-gy.

Cheering on one

another helped team unity. "The team worked well together by being supportive of one another. There weren't as many cliques this year as there have been in the past and that helped too," reflected junior Chris Boersema.

The season wasn't better for everyone in every respect, however. "Last year was better for me because I came into track and field as a freshman. I wasn't expecting that much. Now that it was my second year I had much higher standards for myself. This year our team was great, though," commented sophomore Jamie Hays-

lette.

Every season for the past four years, Waverly had beaten Holt at winning the conference title. "I remember going against Waverly. It was really breathtaking, hearing the scores throughout the meet and knowing we were ahead. That helped me perform the way I had to in order for us to win. It felt good to know that my points helped us put together a championship!" expressed junior Megan Gnass

Though most of the time the team was serious and dedicated, their hard work was mixed with many humorous moments. "One day

while we were running around the track, trying to avoid the dead worms from the storm the day before, Tamiko Jones jumped over into my lane and I fell. I landed in a puddle of worms, there were so many on the track. Ever since then I called her worm tripper," recalled sophomore Jenny Adams.

A season the team worked hard for, came through in the end and the girls could take pride in the fact that there was nobody in the Capital Area Conference better than themselves.

**--Kathleen Jennings**



**Girls' Varsity Track**

**Top Row:** Coach D. Bongard, S. Brown, K. Russell, T. Stearns, J. Hayslette, T. Acker, K. Jennings, K. Willoughby, J. Finch, Coach J. Rarick. **Row 2:** A. Hays, J. O'Berry, M. Smith, W. Wireman, T. Guerrero, E. Carter, S. Amburgey, A. Freeman, J. Newberry, M. Mak-simowicz, J. Grant. **Row 3:** K. Krause, C. Boersma, E. Younglove, N. Malm, M. Tuttle, M. Bennett, M. Gnass, K. Aroaz, V. Spencer. **Bottom Row:** S. McKinstry, T. Jones, J. Adams, B. Hill, L. Harger.





Swinging at the pitch from Grand Ledge in a homegame is sophomore Tara McClelland



Tagging his Everett opponent at first is sophomore Jeff Hewitt in a home game.



**Top Row:** T. McClelland, A. Schultz, J. Cass, L. Ososkie, Coach M. Clark, S. Somers, M. Fudge, J. Rinkle, H. Willett. **Bottom Row:** J. Johnson, B. Paterick, J. McLeod, S. Craft, K. Deetz, R. Paterick, A. Araoz.



**Top Row:** Andy Merchant, D. Alward, M. Allen, J. Langham, J. Gamet, J. Goor, B. Mieksel, B. Myers, M. Vandlen, D. Packer, Adam Merchant, G. Powell, J. Boyd, B. Babcock, Coach M. Coscarella. **Bottom Row:** C. Malatinski, J. Girwood, B. Burley, J. Hewitt, B. Hannach, C. Gonzalez, B. Benoit.







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Giving a little pep talk to JV Baseball players before taking the field against Everett is Coach Coscarella.

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Just a little late to tag out her Grand Ledge opponent is sophomore Heather Willett on home field.

# High RBI's

## *JV's bat winning seasons*

Seasons filled with excitement, winning records and humorous moments were had by the JV Baseball and JV Softball teams. The guys pulled in

a second place and the gals a third place standing in the Capital Area Conference plus skill building for the next level.

Finishing 21-5-1 and accomplishing the team goal of defeating Grand Ledge was matched by high team unity for the JV Baseball players. "The best part of playing was being on a team that was close and didn't fight," reported sophomore Beau Babcock.

They also had some funny stories

to tell. "The funniest thing happened in a game Ben Meyers was pitching. He was throwing strikes on the corner and the umpire wasn't calling them. So Coach Coscarella went out and dusted off the corner of the plate so the ump could see the strikes," recalled sophomore Jay Gamet.

Besides team unity, the players racked up high batting averages, but needed to work on giving up bases and balls. In the

end the scoreboard told the final story of a high performance season.

Putting on a similar showing, the JV Softball team ended the season 18-4 overall and took home a first place out of four contentenders in the Holt JV Invitational Tournament. The season held many highlights with key wins over Waverly, Okemos, Sexton and East Lansing.

--Dan Cupples

## *Play It Again*

### JV BASEBALL

21 Wins, 5 Losses, 1 Tie

Eaton Rapids	7-2, 6-1
Mason	4-3, 5-7
Okemos	6-9, 6-6
L.C.C.	14-7, 9-8
Jackson	5-2, 13-8
Grand Ledge	14-15, 4-14
East Lansing	10-6, 9-8
Everett	9-4, 8-1
Eastern	10-9, 15-11
Waverly	11-2, 6-2
Sexton	6-1, 3-2

## *Play It Again*

### JV SOFTBALL

18 Wins, 4 Losses

Waverly	21-2, 18-8
Pinckney	12-0, 22-5
Jackson	19-1, 9-2
Grand Ledge	5-9, 6-8
Charlotte	10-0, 12-3
Everett	5-4, 2-17
Sexton	19-13, 15-14
Okemos	6-20, 30-8
Haslett	7-4
East Lansing	10-0, 15-3



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Keeping score and writing down game information for the coach is sophomore Laura Ososkie during the home game against Grand Ledge. The final tally ended up short for the Rams at 6-8.



# 'You've Got the Love?'

## *Sports camps showcase talent*

June 8 has come and gone. No school, no rules, no obligations...PARTY TIME. Well, that was true for some people, but not if you were a serious high school athlete. There were many things students could do in the off season to prepare for their sport. The most popular was to attend summer sports camps. There were team camps and personal improvement camps pricing in at different levels ranging from \$25-\$500.

Personal improvement camps worked on individual skills, confidence, teamwork and work ethic. The

sport played did not make much difference. Personal improvement camps were most popular among younger kids and underclassmen while exposure camps were useful to junior and seniors looking for a college scholarship. These camps assumed that the talent levels of athletes attending were above average and focused on college recruitability. The prices averaged higher since they could end up paying for a college education. Senior Jennie Vanlerberghe theorized, "My paying \$300 now may be worth \$20,000 later if it helps me get a

scholarship to pay for college."

Exposure didn't always come by attending camps. Some students believed that if someone was good enough to play in college, the scouts would find them. But sometimes talented players that played for small schools or in weak conferences could go unnoticed by scouts who spent most of their time in urban centers like Detroit, Flint or Grand Rapids.

The third kind of preparation was the team camp. These were very useful for coaches to see how their team worked together and for

players to get experience with each other before the season started. Girls' Varsity Basketball Coach Bill York stated, "Kids today need some kind of organization. They don't just go and play anymore. Team camps give players that organization and coaches a chance to see what they have to work with."

Team camps also gave a certain amount of exposure if large schools were competing there. Many athletes found that summer sports camps were useful ways to improve their games in the off season.

**--Ben Bakken**



### *Pop Talk*

Prepping his team during a timeout is Girls' JV Basketball Coach Bob Simmons. Under his leadership the girls earned a 13-7 season record.

### *Words of Advice*

Checking to see if junior Shane Goddard's leg is in good enough shape to finish the match is Head Wrestling Coach Rocky Shaft. Shane completed the match and saved the Rams from giving up three points. Rocky saw double duty also coaching the Varsity Football Team.



### *Perfect the Art*

Putting in hours of practice and lessons at the Lansing Tennis Club, Court One, in Okemos is junior Dana Dillon.

### *Shuttle Up*

Holt Merchants infielders, Katie Roessler, Shanna Rennirt, Kelly Hays, Heather Smith, Chereese Ford and Sarah Roberts gather round before taking the field in a show of spirit. The team was part of the Lansing Parks and Recreation summer league softball and the team captured the city tournament. The girls went on to become the 1993 State Champions. The girls also benefited from extra time building skills for the following spring.

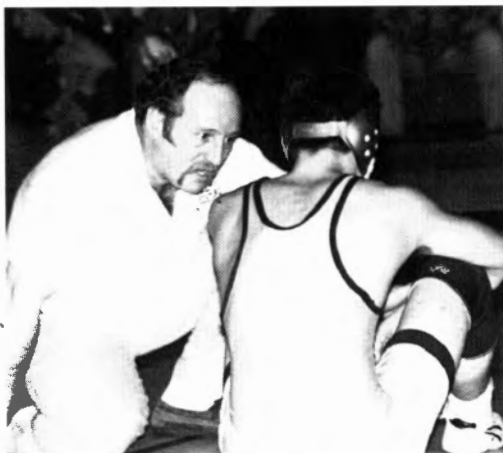


# Coaches' Corner...



Being interviewed by Channel 6 WLNS news after a Girls' Varsity Basketball game is Head Coach Bill York. Earning a 13-8 season record overall and a second place finish in the conference made the team news-

worthy in the Lansing area. Retired from the Holt teaching staff, Bill continues to keep his connection to kids by tutoring them in Math and coaching both Girls' Varsity Basketball and the Boys' Varsity Tennis team.



Coaching is a time to build bonds of lasting friendship with students. Sophomore Kim Witsaman exchanges thoughts with her coach, Robin Buysse, on home court during a JV Volleyball game. Earning a 9-5 season record made it one of the top three teams in the conference at the JV level.

Exchanging notes with Everett's Coach is Varsity Baseball Coach Tim Currin during a home game. Due to unpredictable weather, season games were often rained out and then made up fast and furiously causing stress for coaches and players alike.



Caught in a pensive moment during a home game is Boys' Varsity Basketball Head Coach Bruce Lerner. Fighting tough conference competition every Friday night is his game.

the Boys' Varsity Swim team is Head Coach Dave Shipman and Sean Donegan, coach of

the Girls' Swim team. Both coaches led their teams to conference titles.







**T**he flipside of the academic world centered at the High School was the Holt-Dimondale community and various groups who worked behind the scenes to improve the education and extra-curricular experiences of students. These were the Holt Ram Boosters who raised over \$25,000 during the school year to fund sports equipment and transportation for the athletic program and parent volunteers who helped out in the attendance and counseling offices. ■ Some parents served as the German Exchange host families entertaining German students from Munich over the summer, while a multitude of others helped with one project or another like

# *Flipside*

the Ethnic Fair, the Multicultural Awareness Club and the Family/Community Involvement Coalition. ■ There was also the Holt-Dimondale Business Alliance consisting of area businesses committed to building a strong community based connection with the school and helping stu-

dents gain a better understanding of the career world by offering internships, job training and mentoring programs. ■ The reward for their effort paid off in the satisfaction of having provided service, and the improvement of the physical plant and academic programs. The high school's honors and awards which they were a part of, were appreciated by these groups. Being named a Michigan Exemplary School for the second time and a National Blue Ribbon School helped to motivate them to keep up their supportive work.

## **Fine Tuning**

Putting the finishing touches on the exterior of the new addition to the High School are a crew of subcontractors. Completed over the summer, the construction was financed by a 1991 bond issue and was ready for school opening August 23. The addition was part of the renovation project designed by Kingscott Associates of Kalamazoo and general contracted by Christman Company of Lansing.



## Senior Love notes

Dear Jamie Byrens,

Wishing you a lifetime of happiness and dreams come true. "Life is like a boomerang. You get what you give" (Quote from Dale Carnegie). Go for it babe! I love you.  
Love, Mom



Dear Janie

We are so proud of you! You have made our lives so much fun! God bless you as you begin your future walk.  
Love,  
Grams and Gramps Granger



Dear Amanda Jayne,

You're a loving daughter, very special sister, wonderful friend, a very beautiful person. We're so proud!  
Love,  
Mom, Dad and Elizabeth Fleckenstein



Dear Jim,

Treasure the past; enjoy the present; and look forward to the future.  
We love you, Mom and Dad Arnold

Dear Julie Hunt,

Always believe in yourself as much as we believe in you. You're a winner!  
Love, Mom and Dad Przybylowicz

Dear Jared Collin,

You stir our hearts with your smile  
For we remember when you were a child.  
The years have flown  
While we've seen you grown  
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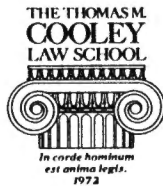
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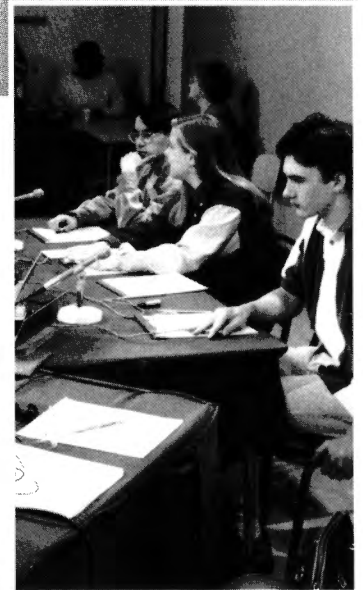
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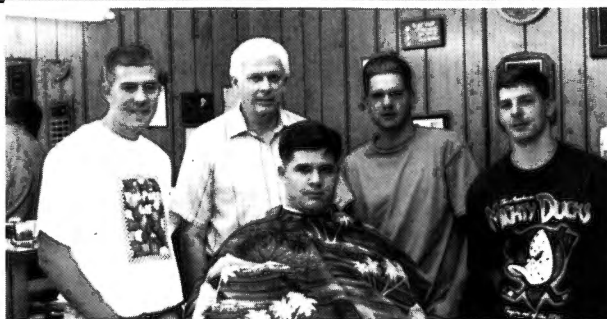
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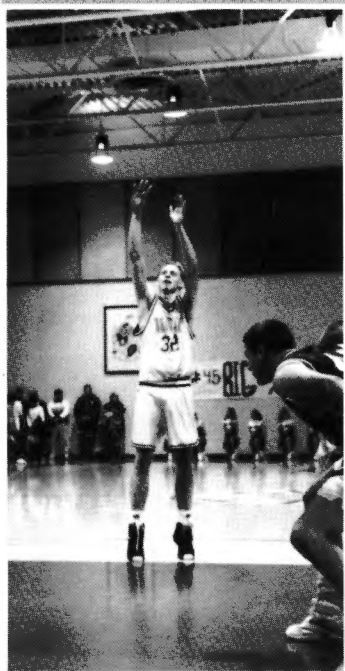
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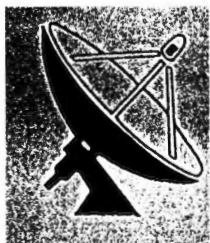
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## Flipside

### Athletic Boosters

A group of parents from the Holt/Dimondale area saved the Athletic Program over 25,000 dollars by buying uniforms and paying for transportation that otherwise would not have been available because of budget cuts. Known as the Holt Rams Booster Club, the group's concern for students motivated them to raise the money. "These people are very pleasant to work with and seem to be glad that they chose to volunteer their time to such a good cause," commented Athletic Director Del Cory.

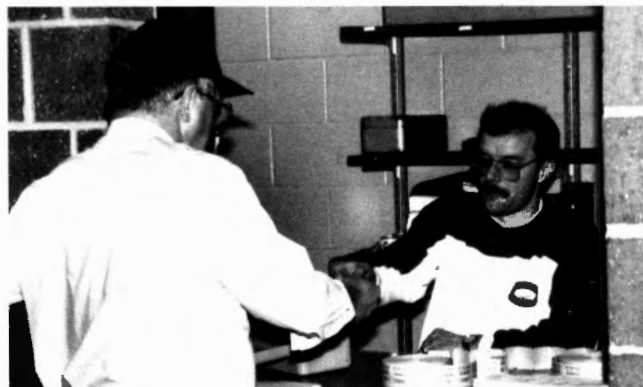
There were 18 groups that raised money for their particular sport and provided equipment and transportation for these teams. In response to the budget cut, Del Cory took out weekend transportation for all fall and spring sports. Also supplies, time-keepers, and gate ticket takers were cut. As a result, the coaches and boosters volunteered to take tickets and keep scores at all events saving the program over 12,000 dollars.

In the past, the boosters have

provided the Troost Field scoreboard, the high school gym scoreboard, the golf cart, donations for elementary schools, equipment for the swimming pool and track teams, D.A.R.E program funding, and scholarships.

The boosters were led by President Neil Osoff who donated his time even though he had no children participating in Varsity sports. Vice President in charge of setting up concessions was Dave Baker, while Vice President Ron Switzer purchased supplies. The Secretary spot was filled by Ted Reinke while Jerry Summerix served as Treasurer. Jerry explained their main goal, "The boosters are here to support kids and see them get a chance to play with all the proper equipment. We will guarantee a student who does not have the necessary funds to participate, the chance to play on a team."

--Heather Watters



Selling tickets is a member of the Holt Rams Booster Club. The groups took over ticket/gate duties in response to the athletic budget cut.



## Senior LoveNotes

Dear *Patti* Gafner,

Your warm smile, your caring, understanding way have given us great joy. You're a wonderful daughter. God bless you always.

Love, Mom and Dad



Dear *Christa* Pennell,

We love you and are very proud of you. Congratulations and good luck always.

Love,  
Mom and Dad Grant



Dear *Heather*,

It's hard to believe the time has come for you to graduate. You will always be our "little girl." We love you very much and wish you a bright and successful future.

Love,  
Mom and Dad Stubig



Dear *April*,

Always stay as sweet and loving as you have been these last eighteen years. And now that you're all grown up, don't lose those papers!

Love you,  
Mom and Dad Reinke



Dear *Holly* Beavers,

You made it little lady and you thought 1994 would never come. Keep up your grades and your beautiful personality.

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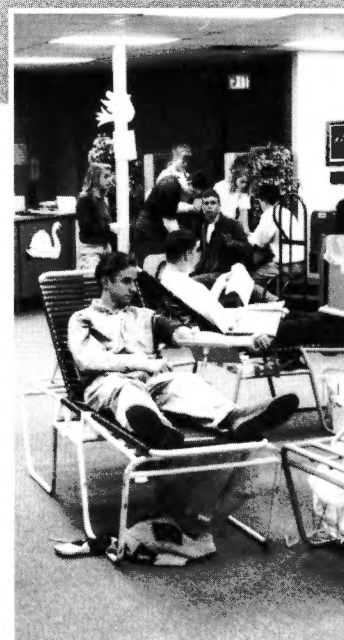
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# **Flipside**

## **School Finance Reform**

"Two years ago, the Wrestling team had busses for every away meet and every tournament, even on Saturdays. But this year, parents provided transportation to weekend and tournament meets," said senior Varsity wrestler Chris Sharp. The coaches had decided to forego weekend busses for fall and spring sports teams though they were available to winter teams.

The bussing cuts totaling about \$5,000 were part of athletic budget cuts which also included a \$10,000 cut in supplies and a savings of \$12,000 in staff for gate and timekeeping which was provided by volunteers. The cuts were accompanied by an initial 50% high school budget cut from district officials faced with funding problems. Part of this money was reinstated in the fall, leaving a net cut of about 25%. Included in the cuts were supplies, the Cooperative Education program and Community Service project funding. The district was also unable to fund one full time employee at the High School for which there were enough new class sections to hire.

On September 14, voters in the Holt-Dimondale district voted to override the Headlee Amendment in order to safeguard the financing of the district for the 94-95 school year. The vote gave the district \$703,000 to balance their budget and insured that the school year would not turn

disastrous before adequate school finance reform was enacted by the legislature. The events leading up to the vote have been punctuated by various propositions including Proposal A, the Property Tax Cut bill and millage elections.

Holt's story was not unique. Many, if not most, schools across the state have grappled with the issue for years. On March 15, voters went to the polls to decide the future sources of funding public schools. They faced a choice of Proposal A whereby school funding would come largely from a sales tax increase with the property tax at 6 mills or a back-up plan, Proposal B, which provided funds from a 6% income tax hike with the property tax at 12 mills. Voters chose Proposal A in an effort to reform the state's method of financing education.

The issue had many consequences sparking interest in students who were aware. Senior April Reinke concluded, "It is very important that students become aware of the finance reform issue. It is definitely going to affect everyone in one way or another. I would not want schools to ultimately lose money on the new plan and have to cut some of the 'extras.'" --Mike Cook, Saleha Mohamedulla



## Senior Lovenotes

Dear *RJ*,

You've brought so much joy into our lives. May your life be filled with much happiness and success.

Love, Mom and Dad



Dear *Amy*,

You're very special. Your caring nature, your wit and your humor brings joy to all.

Love, Dad, Mom Decker



Dear *Modesta Illemszky*,

Health and happiness  
Love and success  
All that and more  
I wish for you.

Love, Mom



Dear *Kathi McGroarty*,

May your dreams be realized and your goals achieved. We are very proud of you.

Love,  
Mom, Dad and Mike



Dear *Jennie Vanlerberghe*,

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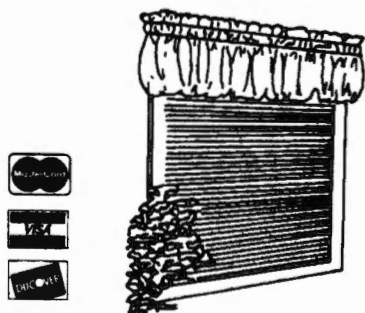
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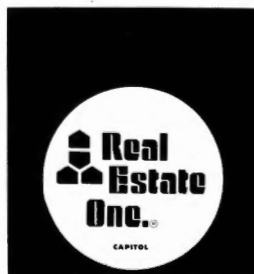
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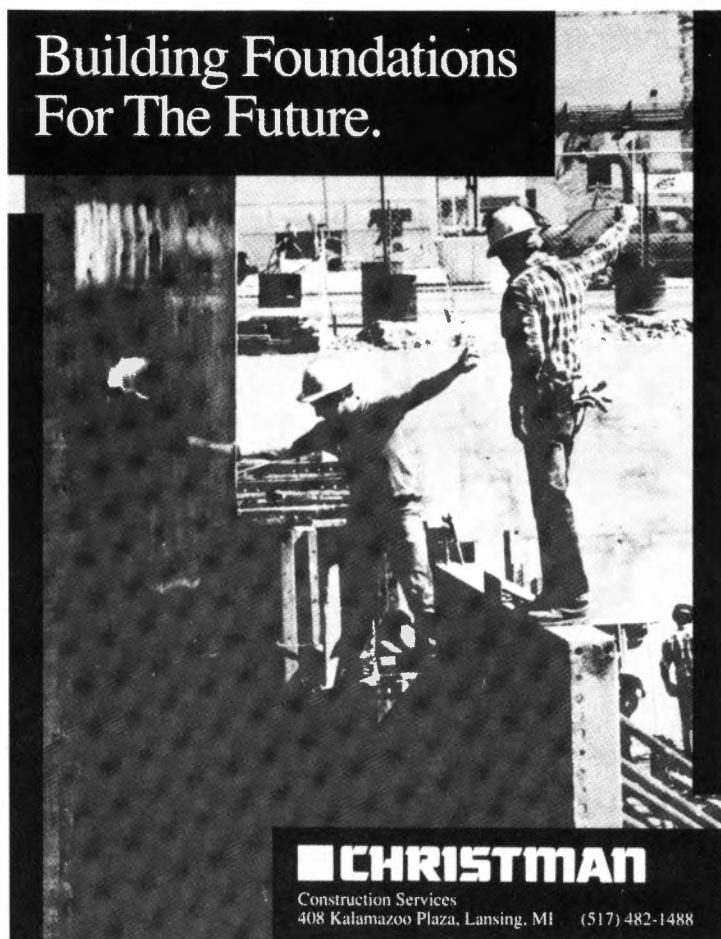
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Mom



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Mom and Jim Heany



Dear Kendra Joy Willoughby,

We named you well for you have brought us much joy. Our prayers are for your bright and happy future.

Love,  
Mom, Dad and Krista



Dear Jamie Lawrence,

May your future be as rewarding as your first 18 years. We have shared much together--laughter, sadness, vacations, and clothes. I love you and may God bless you in all that you do.

Your "fan" forever,  
Mom



Dear Jason Booker,

You have always made us very proud. We hope all your dreams come true.

Love, Mom and Dad





## Senior Lovenotes

Dear **M**elinda,

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Dear **K**elly,

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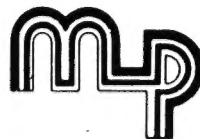


Dear **R**yan Travis,

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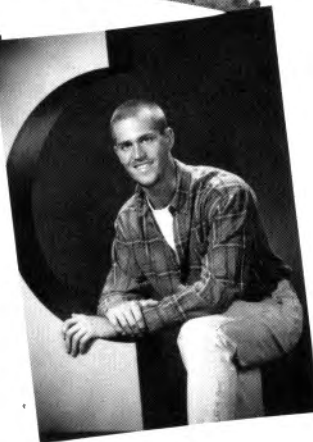
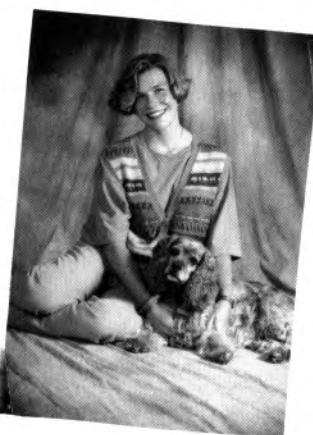
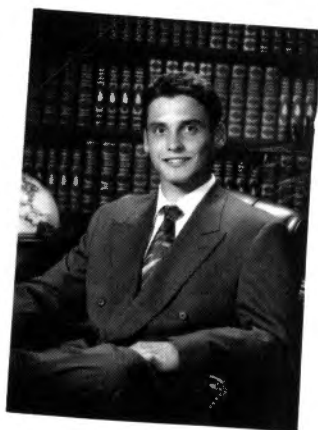


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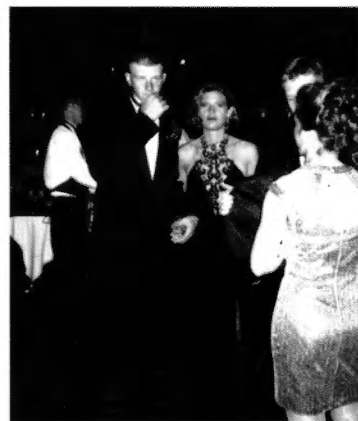
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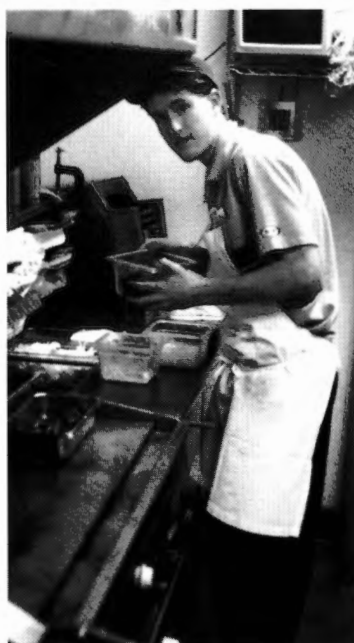


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## Flipside

### Parent Volunteers

Entering the world of high school again after graduation could be scary, especially when graduation occurred over 20 years ago. That was the case for some parents who devoted some of their free time to helping out at school. They were the parent volunteers in the attendance and counseling centers. They lent a big helping hand to Attendance Officer Jan Milbourn and secretaries Judy Woolston and Sue Kenny. One parent Patti Vanlerberghe began her work in September. "I started volunteering just to help out. Ever since my kids were in elementary school, I've tried to become more involved at school. I have been a room mother, a 'Picture Person' for elementary art and now an attendance office secretary. I enjoy it very much," noted Mrs. Vanlerberghe.

These parents spent an average of three to five hours a week at school and they did a lot in that time. They wrote out passes, excused tardies and talked to parents with sick students who wanted to go home early. It may not have sounded like a very glamorous job, but the parents agreed it was an important one. This was especially true when problems cropped up. Veteran of three years, Sharon Bowler explained, "Sometimes there are difficulties with parents. Some are not aware of all the rules regarding attendance, particularly what is excused and what is not. It is sometimes hard to deal with a parent who is con-

cerned or upset with their student's attendance."

Some of the sons and daughters of these parents had mixed feelings about their parents' presence at school. Some liked the convenience. Sophomore Sarah Brockwell explained, "I like to go visit my mom because if I need anything, she is right there for the asking."

The parents reported that their children did not mind having them in school provided they behaved themselves. Cindy Buckner Silvey, mother of Bree and Jason Buckner commented, "They always visit me and try to sweet talk me into giving them more lunch money."

Besides the attendance and counseling offices, there were other ways for parents to provide needed services. They volunteered to run time clocks and keep scores at their students' various sports events, ran concessions, and helped out at different school functions. The booster and band parents also helped out with fundraising and chaperoning duties.

Both parents and the school benefited from the involvement. The parents had a good feeling from helping out and the school would not have run as smoothly if parents volunteers had not been there providing the services.

--Heather Watters



## Senior Lovenotes

Dear **Kimberly Davis,**

You've grown into a beautiful, sensitive, intelligent young woman who has made us very proud. Always remember, we love you.

Mom and Dad



Dear **Chad Anderson,**

Perseverance describes you. Don't ever lose sight of your goals. We are very proud of you. and love you very much.

Love,  
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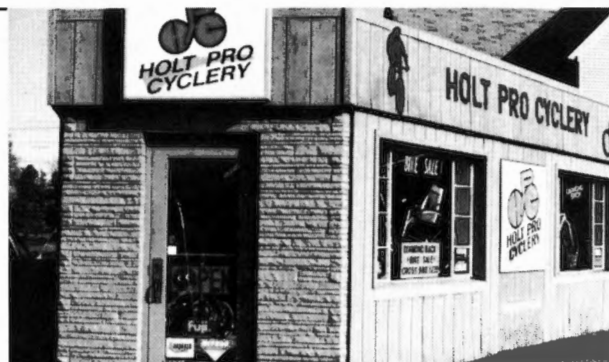
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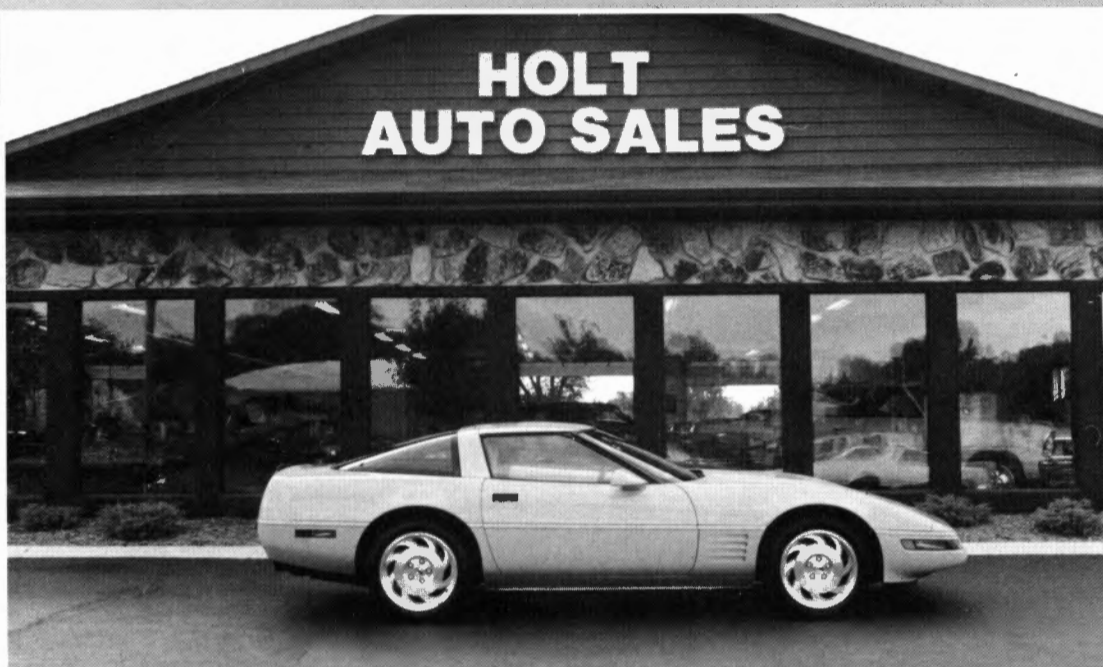
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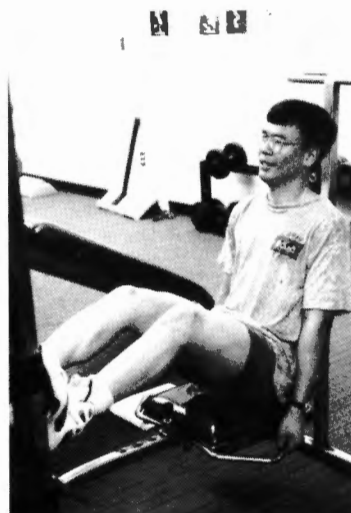
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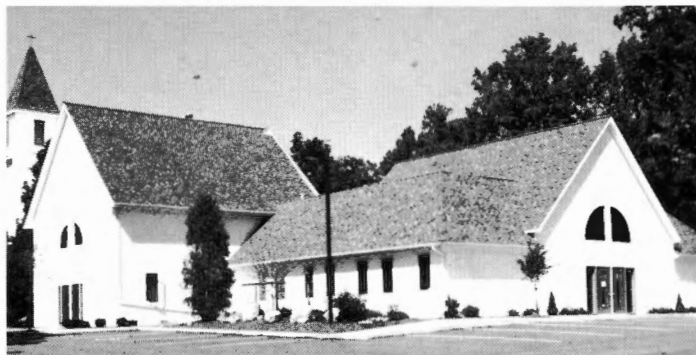
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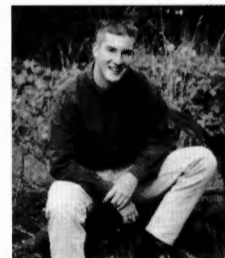
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## Senior Love Notes

Dear Brandon Oaks,

May your future be filled with as much love and joy as you have brought us.

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Dear David Kost,

May the lessons, love and memories of your childhood guide you through your future. You have made us so very proud. Remember always that we love you.

Love,  
Mom, Dad and Shannon



Dear Kay Towsley,

The best is yet to come.  
We wish you much happiness.

Love,  
Dad, Mom, Jeanette,  
Patty, Donald, Tammy,  
Chase, Both Grandma's



Dear Xaylez,

May your dreams be filled as much as your desires with love and happiness.

Love,  
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Dear Terry Stearns,

God gave us a beautiful gift.  
Our daughter - one of the best!  
Believe in yourself!  
Wishing T.K. great achievements and happiness.

Loving you,  
Dad and Mom

You are so special. You have the LOVE and attitude for happiness and success. Keep that sense of humor and that laugh.

Love, your Brothers Beano & Dean





# Flipside

## NHS...Santa's Helpers

As the Christmas season fast approached, members of the National Honor Society were busy as elves keeping kids warm and giving others a little treat with projects like the Give-A-Kid-A-Coat-Drive, the necessities drive and holiday candy sales.

The coat drive is held annually during the winter season to provide outerwear to those in the community who would otherwise go without. The drive was held on November 5 and 6, and NHS members collected from the combined Holt and Mason School districts approximately 4,000 to 5,000 coats. They were sorted by over 20 NHS members and volunteers at the Holt United Methodist Church where they were distributed. "It was a very good turnout and lots of fun. I was surprised to see all of the coats that came in. It's nice to know that students can work together to accomplish this service project," commented senior Kelly Bush who helped organize the activity.

Continuing on the giving theme, the club took on the necessities drive, which replaced the holiday canned food drive. The collection of food was postponed until April because of the more than adequate supply collected at the holiday season and the lack of it during the spring and summer months. "We decided to do a necessities drive because it's difficult for people to get toiletry items if they can't buy them with food stamps," explained NHS Vice President Laura Bonner. A box placed in the counseling center

was filled with such things as shampoo, soap and toilet paper and then taken to the Holt Food Bank where they were distributed in the community.

The last holiday project was the Christmas candy sales. Members sold candy sticks that were delivered the week of December 13 as a fundraiser to pay for the club's activities.

Other groups got into the giving spirit too. Student Council worked with the Coldwell Banker Bowler Real Estate company on the Toys for Tots campaign. The program sponsored by the Marine Corps to supply needy kids with gifts for Christmas continued in its second year as a collection point at the High School. Student Council collected new or like-new toys and donated funds to help buy more. Coldwell Banker Bowler Realty collected the donated toys from all of the schools in the district and delivered them to the Marine Corps for distribution.

Various individual class projects also provided holiday cheer. The Spanish classes created pinatas for the wards of local hospitals and other classes bought or donated Christmas gifts and food for needy families in the community. There were a number of ways for students to get involved and many showed what Christmas was all about.

--Lynn Gifford

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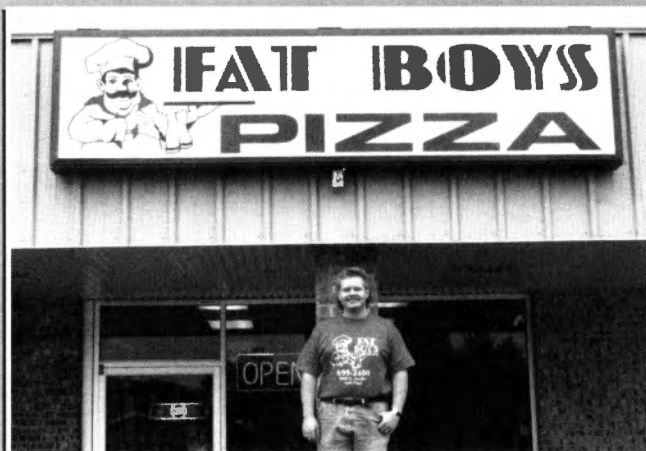
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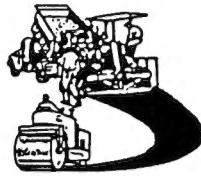
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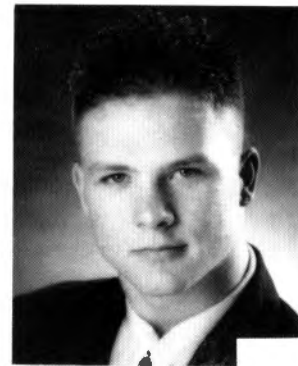
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## Flipside

### Holt-Dimondale Business Alliance

Careers...college...money, what did all these words mean to high school students? In many cases they meant everything. Many students were forced to face the issue of what life would be like beyond senior year. One group that helped students gain a better understanding of the career world was the Holt/Dimondale Business Alliance. The group worked with many local business associates and government officials to help students find answers to their future. "They work to create an image of the life of a business person and the difference between that and the life of a student. Then, when the two worlds come together after graduation, they don't collide, but make a smooth transition," explained Virginia Farr, Delhi Township Clerk and member of the Alliance.

The organization held monthly meetings at which they listened to presentations on issues that were affecting schools. One such speaker was

Nick Chouri, who spoke about school financing and Governor Engler's plan.

The group also worked with the Community Education Office on state grants for economic development and job training programs. These programs enabled employers to have employees trained on the job instead of going to expensive sessions that could take days away from work.

Schools in the district had a liaison person who helped find ways that the Alliance could help that particular school. The liaison for the High School was Jim Wardlaw from Pace Creative. Often he sat in on the Wednesday morning meetings where he tried to "open the lines of communication." In essence, the Holt-Dimondale Business Alliance was a group of people working for strong connections between the community and school.

--Bobbijo Larkins



Opening lines of communication to the School Board and the community are seniors Betsy Booren, Kelly Bush, Pete Kenyon and Kara Kragt. The group staged a skit on the PDS work at the High School. In an end-of-year summary to the Board of Education. One of the goals of the PDS work was to make connections to businesses and community agencies to improve education.



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### Colophon

Getting plugged into the year, the staff focused on different ways to use photos and take it from the cover through theme pages. The four-color lithograph cover was created with specialty art papers and photos and then printed on 150 pound board, laminated and embossed with an applied leather graining. The binding is rounded and backed with headbands.

Inside the cover, gray standard stock endsheet paper was printed with maroon Tempo ink. The eight-page tip-in and signature for the senior section, as well as, the multiple in the opening was printed in process color with spot color applications. Along with the remainder of the 236 pages, it was printed on 100 lb. gloss enamel paper stock. Body copy was set in 10 point and captions in 8 point New Century Schoolbook with Zapf Chancery and Brush Script used for variety in headline type.

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Mike Lafferty as sales representative, the book was sent to press at Jostens American Yearbook Company in Topeka, Kansas. The page submission was on disk and programmed using Aldus Pagemaker and Microsoft Word software programs. Graphics were programmed in Aldus Freehand and hardware consisted of MacIntosh LC color systems, Classics and some aging SE's. Lending computer assistance was Don Mead of Practicom in Holt.

The 1993 Rampages received an All-American Honor Rating with four marks of distinction from the National Scholastic Press Association, and was a Crown Nominee of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. In state judging, the book received a Spartan Award from the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association.

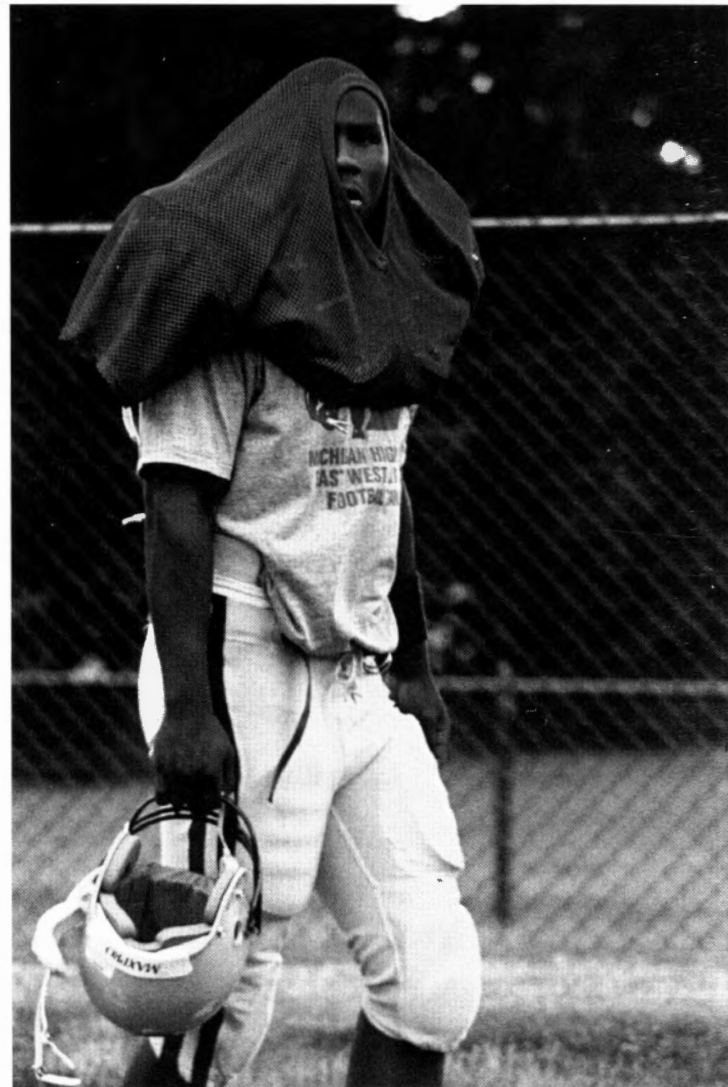


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Returning from a hot afternoon of practice at Spartan stadium, this player is caught by the lens of senior Katie Roessler. The young man was practicing for the East-West High School All-Star football game held at MSU and Katie was attending a week-long summer journalism workshop where she was enrolled in a photography class. At week's end she had captured first place in her class and this photo went on to win third place in the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association on-site photography contest.

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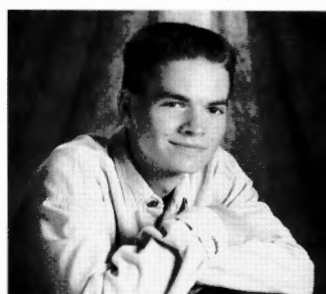
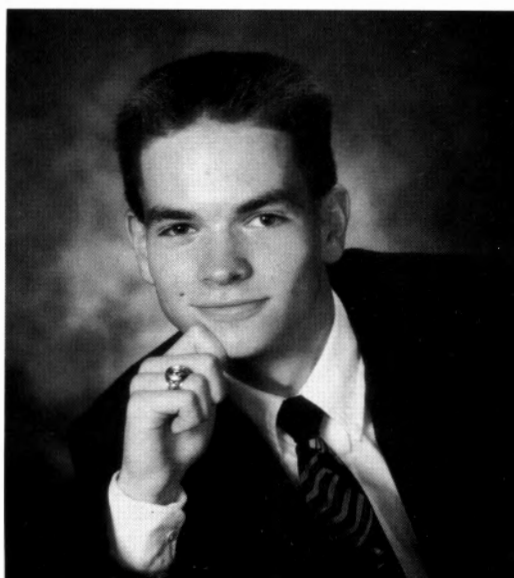
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*On behalf of  
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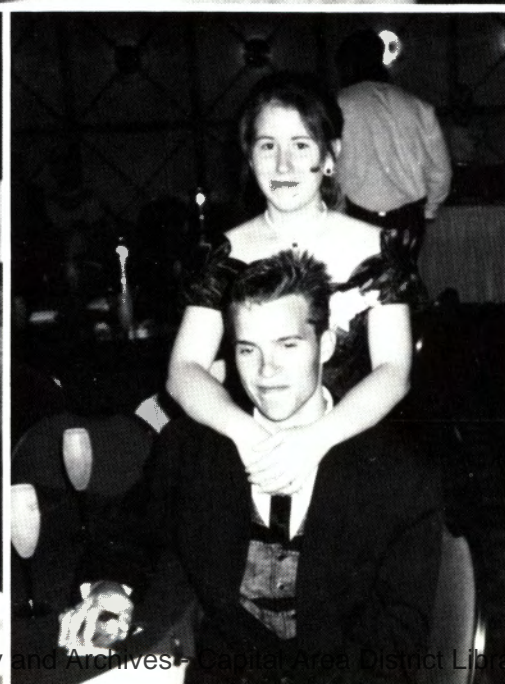
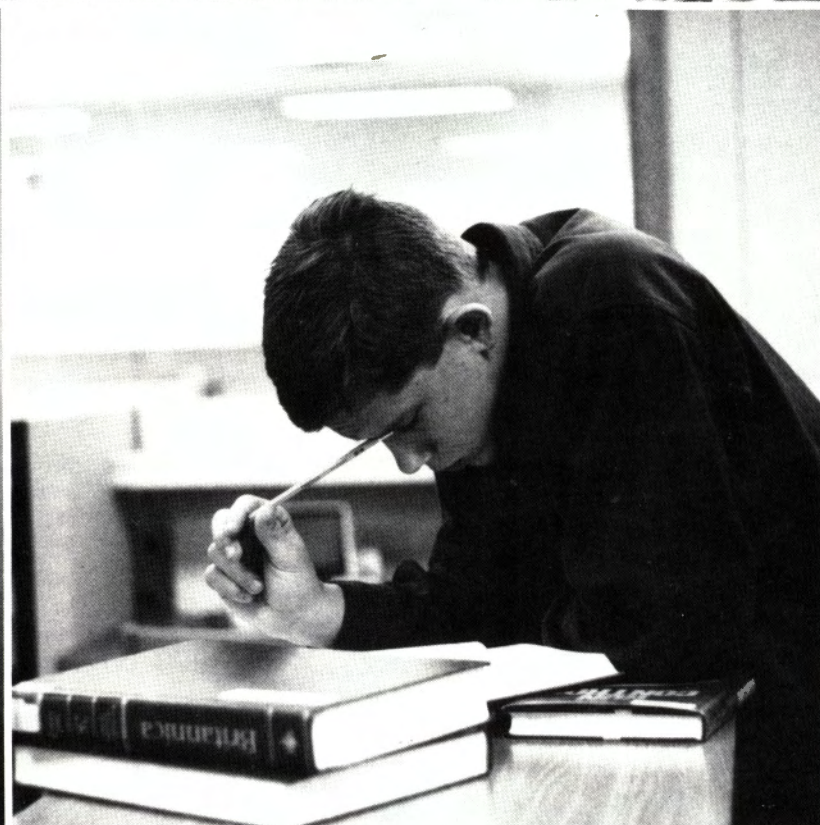
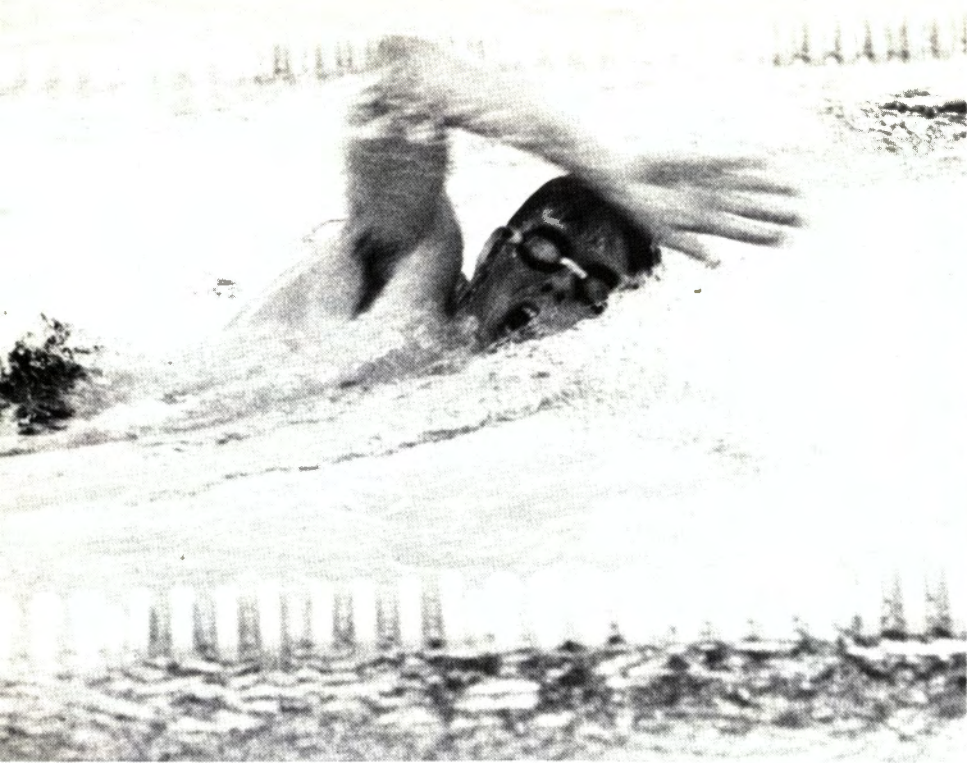
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# Undaunted

## Plugging Away

Putting brain cells to work, Ryan Milligan researches information for a class project in the library. With on-line information retrieval systems, students found researching easier.

**Photo Collage:** Greg Setla, Principal Brian Templin amid fog of heating system problem, Chris Lopez, Tom Holbrook, and Jim Arnold at Senior Breakfast, Chris Eisenzimmer at Prom, Amy Stevenson, Betsy Booren and Tom Davis at farewell assembly, Lowell Rudd on Field Day.

## Chillin' Out

With a good book in hand senior David Milligan enjoys a time out for literature during his English class. The new commons area provided a sunny place to kick back and enjoy academics.

Unplugging the year became easier compared to the start-up preparation. The renovation was completed, but trouble spots were still being fine tuned. Such things as heating and cooling system problems weren't minor details, but then, the construction job wasn't minor either. The staff concluded, it was a 'learning experience.'

The extra 10 days seemed to pass in no time and the emphasis shifted to internal arrangements. Changes in administration, decision-making and policy revisions brought challenges to the staff. Choosing a new principal became a task that involved students teachers and support staff. Assistant Principal Brian Templin landed the

job while Principal Tom Davis moved up to fill the Assistant Superintendent spot.

Rewiring the Wednesday afternoon schedule with an innovative program called Advisory provided students with an opportunity to work on portfolios and discuss school issues. The culmination of the activities was Field Day. A water bal-

loon toss, three-legged race, wheelbarrow race and 50 yard dash were some of the competitions leading to a grand finale tug-of war. The team lead by Ms. Neiswonger determined to do battle with Mr. Rudd's group and indeed were the winners.

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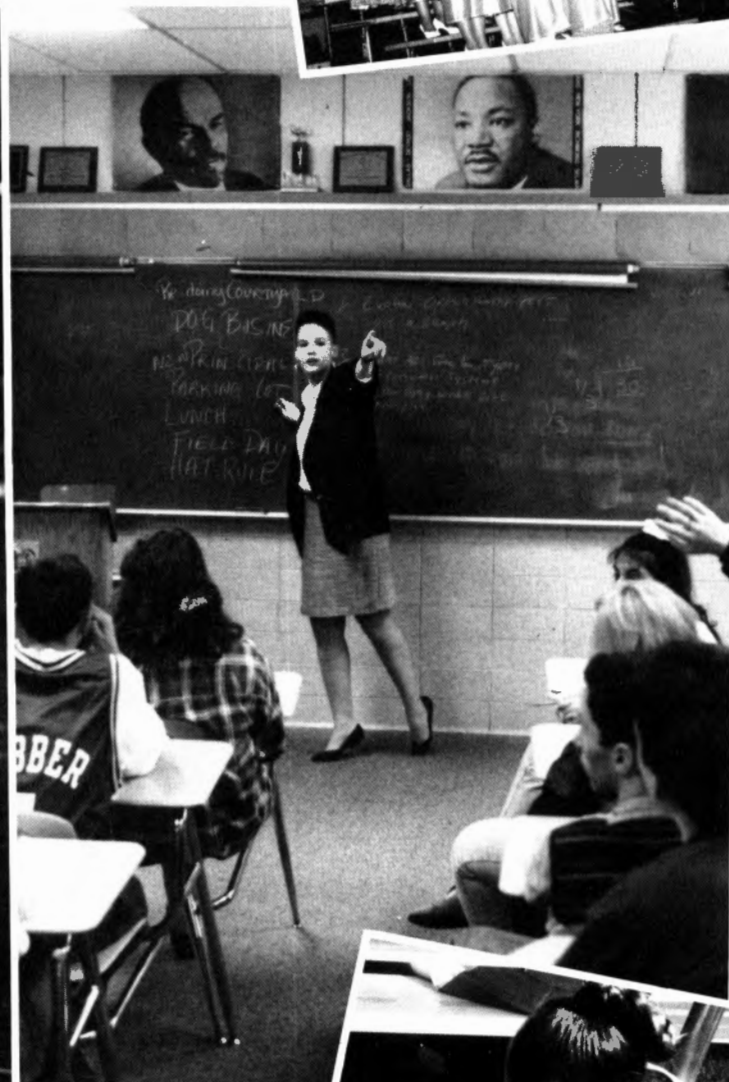




## Last Performance

Choir students assemble one last time to present the Spring Vocal Concert. "It was exciting, but at one point it hit me that this was both Mr Allen's and my last concert."

Senior Jenna Eggert



**Backlash:** Smashing the ball at a JV Tennis match against Mason is sophomore Julie Allen. **Tuned In:** Delivering her Biology lesson is first year teacher and P.A.L. adviser Heather Neiswonger. **Under Pressure:** Getting words of advice from Quiz Bowl Coach Mary Gray is senior Ed

Murray in the WKAR Quizbusters Tournament. **Center Stage:** Performing a scene from the play "Our Town" are seniors Jenny Allen and Christy McEwen. **Caught by the Lens:** Entering Kellogg Center on Prom night are seniors Christie Ries and Eric Hartman.



FILE B: Kelly Miller

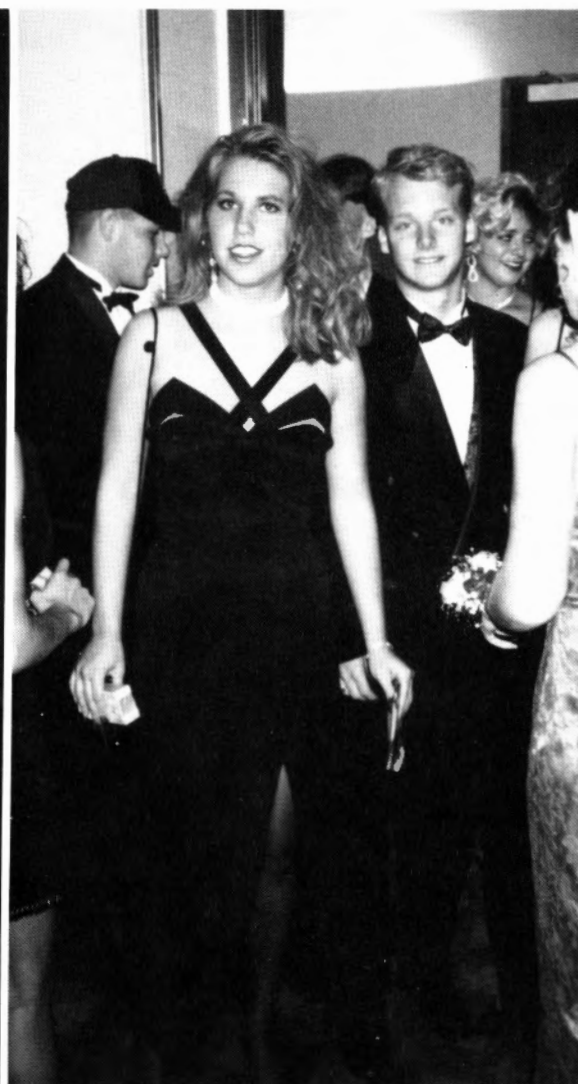
## Get in Gear

Junior Kelly Miller tapes up her soccer cleats before game time to give her extra support.



# Under Observation

FILE C: Jenny Allen



Revamping prom with a new location and an after-prom party brought enthusiastic responses. The Kellogg Center and Michigan Athletic Club were the places to be for the activities of May 29. The Afterglow offered casino style games, swimming, hot tubbing, and music for stu-

dents to unwind at.

Then it was on to graduation, once again held at the Breslin Center. Afterward, graduates picked up their diplomas with state endorsed MEAP stickers and ordered copies of the senior video.

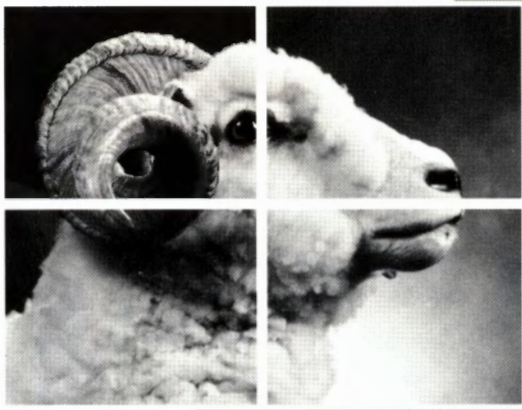
Not going unnoticed were the retirements of Ron Forest Parke Library and Archives -

Allen, Lila Guenther, Jean Johnson, Lowell Rudd and Jean Mooney, as well as, the Assistant Superintendent, Chan Nauts. In end-of-year celebrations they were bid farewell in observance of their decades of service.

The year had been one of navigation through uncharted

territory. Though perhaps, at times, the going was a bit rough and unnerving, students and staff alike were undaunted. They even found some humor in unplugging the challenges of the year.





# Unplugged

"Field Day was my last chance to cheer and show my school spirit. It was a lot of fun for me, especially because we won the tug-of-war which put us in first place!"

--Senior  
Heather Miner



## Rockin' the Boat

On wobbly footing yet giving it their all in the name of school spirit are senior Chris Hill and student teacher Dave Hildebrandt competing in the wheelbarrow race on Field Day, May 18. Later, on May 29, senior Miranda Hartmann screams euphorically along with the Prom night crowd at the MSU Kellogg Center. Both events offered students last times to let go and become unplugged in fun and memories.