



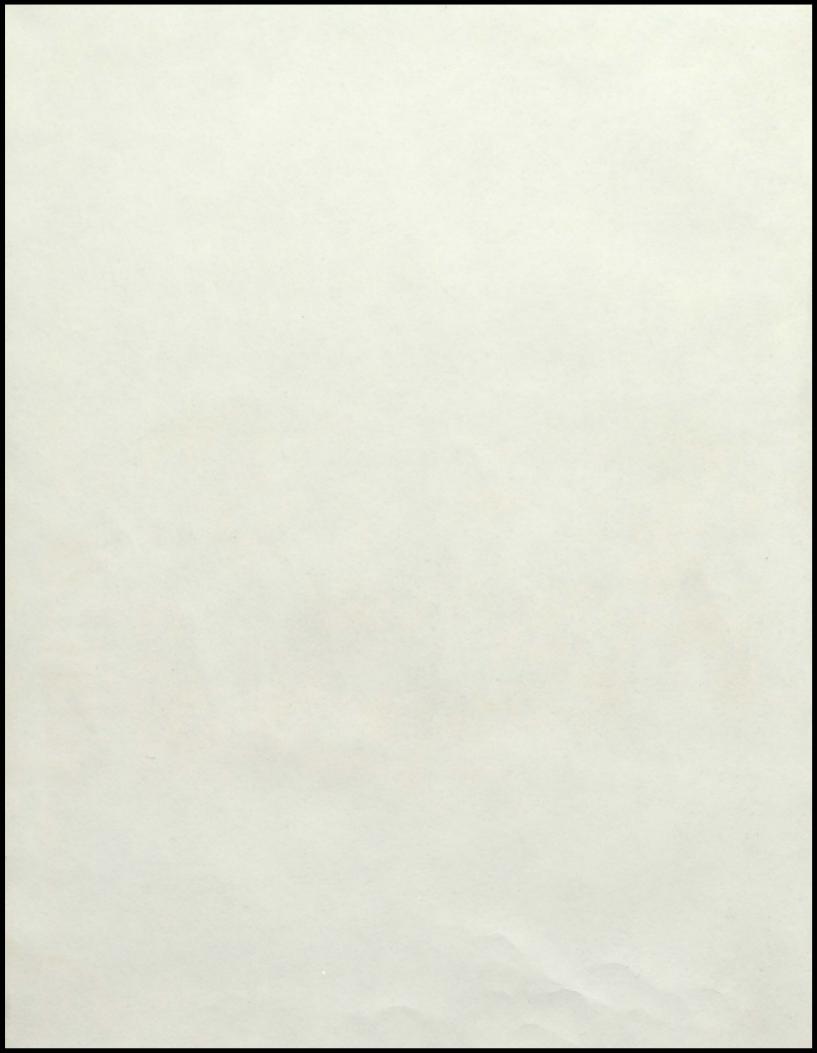
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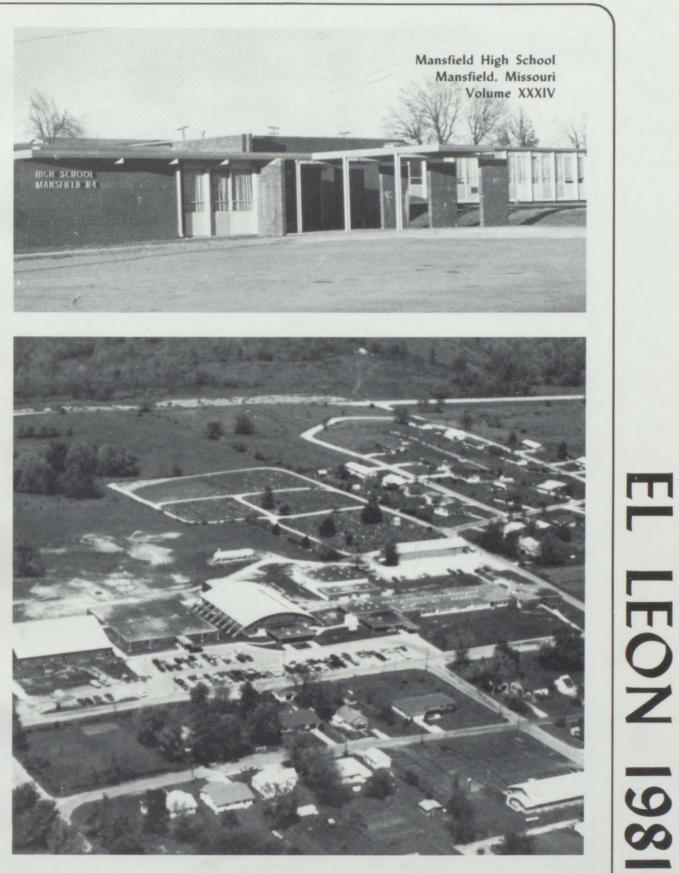
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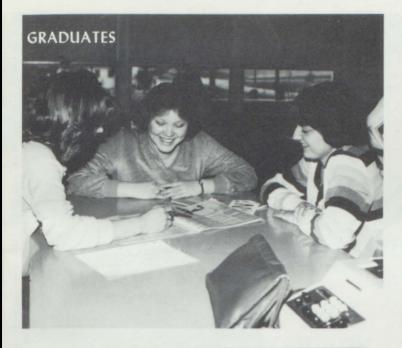
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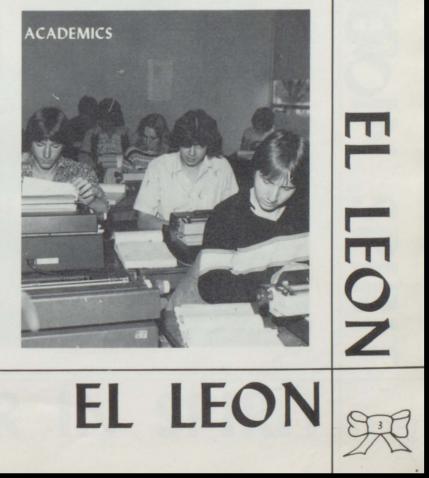




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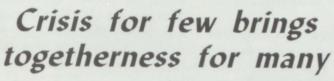




# **TOGETHER IN SPIRIT**







Dateline: January 20, 1981. Ronald Reagan has been the fortieth president of the United States for less than two hours. The country has joined together in a nation-wide celebration of the election, and then an announcement is made that gives the U.S. even more cause to celebrate. The hostages are free.

Remember when the hostages were set free? Wasn't it exciting to go through the halls and hear the wonderful news from the television sets Mr. Boyer, Mrs. Gold, and Mrs. Arnall brought for us to watch? After 444 days of anger, anxiety, and frustration, we could finally breathe a sigh of relief - our people were coming home.

Our people? Before the whole thing happened we didn't know who these people were and couldn't have cared less if we did. But by the time they were released, we knew who they were, and claimed them as if we had known them personally.

Something happened to the people in America. For the first time in a long while we were together. Together in spirit.

We hope that the next few pages will explain the togetherness that we at MHS feel. Togetherness as Americans and as friends.







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We at MHS weren't the only ones to become involved in the hostage drama.

After the American embassy in Iran was seized and Americans were taken hostage, people around the world took notice. Think about the reactions of the entire country - the rallies, the television specials, the cards and letters that were sent, and the yellow ribbons.

Yellow ribbons freshly tied, or ragged and limp from the wear and tear of the past year's weather. Yellow ribbons that came to symbolize so much. Yellow ribbons everywhere, showing hope, showing love, showing unity. Yellow ribbons that mentally tied Americans together.

The matter even became more than a campaign note for Ronald Reagan and Jimmy Carter - it became a major source of concern to them personally. The whole country joined together in claiming the hostages as "our people."

Can you recall how excited America was when all was official and we waited for the hostages to set foot on American soil?

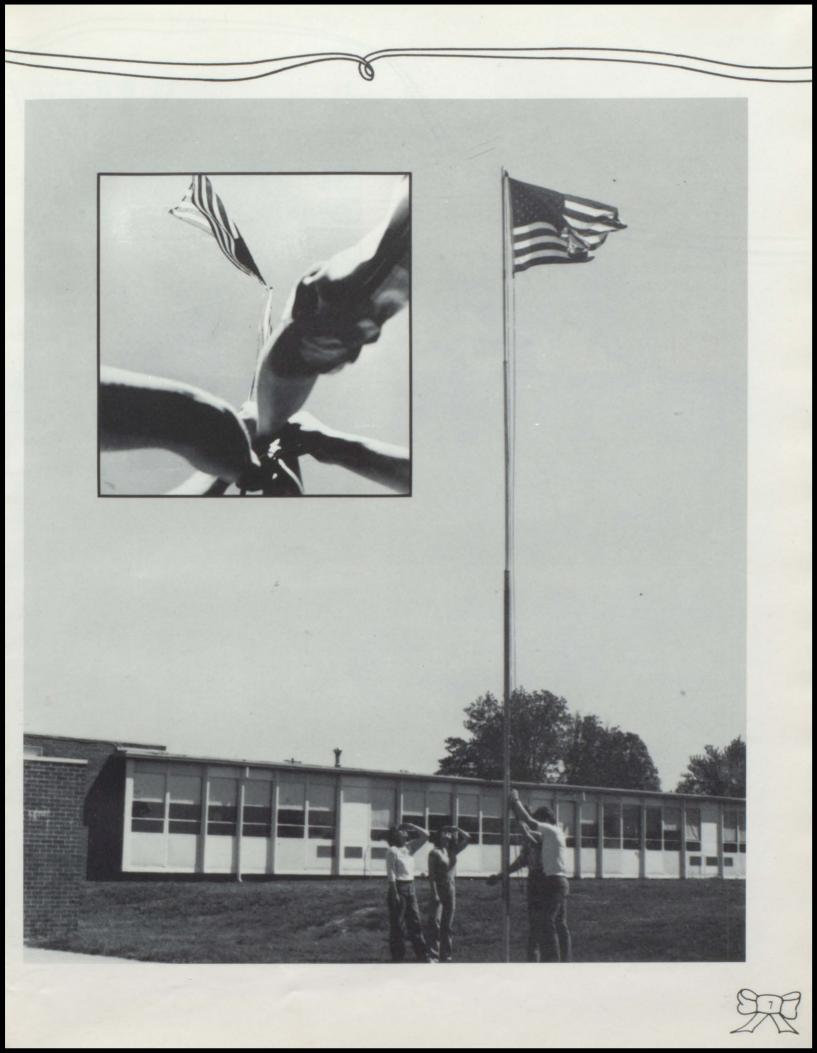
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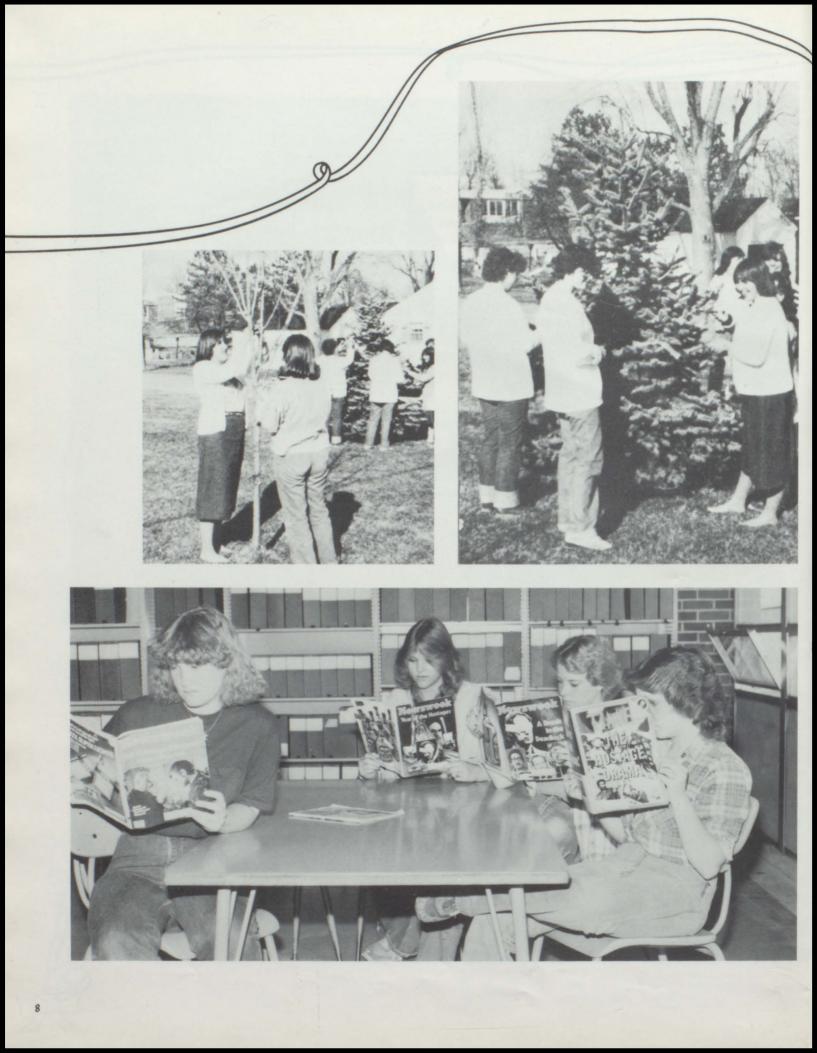
television coverage (some of our favorite programs were interrupted, but wasn't it worth it?), the pages and pages of newspaper coverage, the constant announcements over the radio. All were anxiously awaited by millions of people, not only in the U.S., but in other countries as well.

It was as frustrating for them as it was for us when Iran delayed and delayed, when the planes were late in arriving in West Germany, and when the hostages had to stay a few days in a West German hospital for a checkup.

We became flag-wavers once again.







Think about how we all feel at MHS. There were feelings of tension and curiosity, and then relief when the good news came. Remember how quickly the news spread when it was announced - like wildfire! And remember a couple of years ago when our own FHA members went around town tying yellow ribbons for the hostages? It was a long wait, but the whole school, like the country, stayed together.



Of course we didn't need an international crisis to keep 'ole MHS together, did we? Togetherness is as much a part of MHS as the people within it. Everywhere you look are signs of togetherness. Guys and gals walking arm in arm, finding time to share a lunch or ride around town.







There are glimpses of the sweet side of teenage relationships - hand holding, winks, special smiles. And then there is just plain acting silly, because you are young, and you are together.





At our school, like all the others, breaking up and making up form an endless cycle. New relationships begin, others fade away. It's the normal order of the world - one human being reaching out to another in hopes that the loneliness of one can be replaced by the togetherness of two.







If you really think about it, the feeling has always been there, and always will be. It is discovered anew by each generation, discovered as if it was a new bud bursting forth from a branch, never seen before, yet undeniably a part of the whole.





Togetherness also takes the form of friendship. Best friends running up and down at lunch cutting up. A gang of buddies out on the car lot enjoying a game of catch or frisbee. Anywhere and everywhere you can see closeness and friendship.







When you think about it, MHS is togetherness. Sharing the happy moments, the sad moments, and the proud moments is what binds our school together and makes it special.

All the special (and

sometimes not so special) occasions shared by everyone at school make up a big part of our lives. The big things like Prom, Homecoming, Barnwarming, and of course graduation bring smiles and tears and are treasured

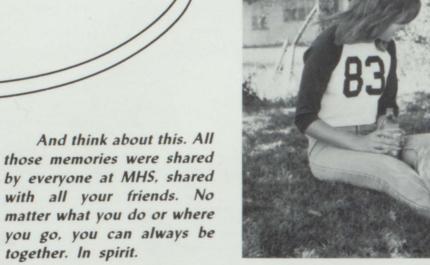
memories. Little things like contests, club trips, final exams, hall passes, sharing secrets, fixing your locker, and detention are just as special.













And maybe the Bible says it best. "Behold, how good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."



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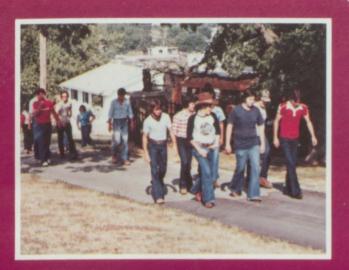












# Senior traditions seem etched in stone

Traditions. You read about them, hear about them, watch them on television, and participate in them. Everyone does.

Every little group, be it friends or family, has some tradition that they follow to the wire. Even classes, for instance.

A fairly recent tradition is having a group picture made of the entire Senior Class, as shown above.

And instead of regular school pictures, the seniors have extranice pictures made at a professional photography studio in the area. This is one of the biggest traditions a Senior Class follows, for hardly anyone considers not having those pictures made.

Another tradition is senior keys and memory books. Many feel that a senior isn't a senior without his key, and why graduate if you leave without a memory book chock full of signatures from your classmates, teachers, and friends?

The senior trip has been held at Kalfran Lodge as long as can be remembered, and that's one of the senior's favorite traditions. Another, added recently to the long list of "musts", is the senior skip day, usually celebrated in sunny early May. The seniors plan a large get-together away from school. Ahhh, tradition!





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# Seniors

# Leaving will mean missing

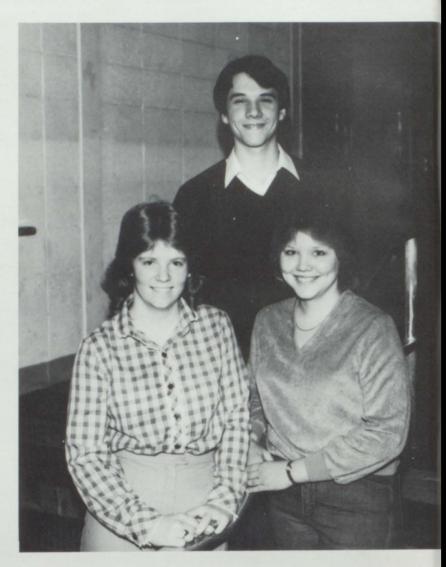
Friends, teachers, classes, trips, games, and even homework. That is just the beginning of a long list of things that the "Class of 81" is going to miss when they graduate from high school.

Seeing their friends everyday, of course, is what most of the seniors said they would miss most of all. Debi Smith said she would miss all of her friends, Coach Jordan, and goofing off. Bruce McCrite claimed he'd miss his botany class and also Ronnie Barnum when he is gone. David Gray stated that he would miss Stan Dennis' mouth.

Teachers were also mentioned quite a bit when the seniors related what they would miss. Susan Branstetter answered, "I'll miss Mr. Boyer and Mr. Spyres. I'll never have teachers like them in college." Lisa Moore said she would miss all of her teachers and friends, but would miss "Uncle" Reed Shaw most of all. Michele Von Behren, Terri Cantrell, and Michelle Giffin agreed that they would all miss giving Mrs. Arnall a hard time in their fourth hour novels and word study class.

Extracurricular activities played a large part in the seniors' memories. Jackie Burris said she would miss doing pom pon routines when she left, while Sandy Graham said she would miss cheerleading the most. Baseball is what Bryan Dean answered as what he would miss most.

There are little things that the seniors will miss too. Kim Moody declared that she would miss the friendly atmosphere of her years in high school. Aaron Stanifer said he would miss sleeping during class, and Jeff Dunbar's answer was simple enough. He said he wouldn't miss anything when he was gone.



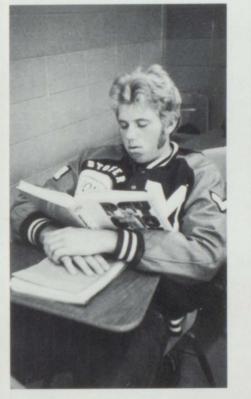


TOP: Senior class officers Debra Herbst, vice president, Bruce McCrite, president, Renee Smith, secretary. Not shown, Lisa Green, treasurer. BOTTOM: At a pep rally Coach Randy Short introduces senior basketball team members David Gray, Terry Stofer, Phillip Matney, Aaron Stanifer, and Will Jett.









TOP: Terri Cantrell, Michelle Giffin, and Michele Von Behren labor over a college aptitude test. MIDDLE LEFT: Laveta McAlister, Sara Liles, and Patty Calhoun wait for a pom pon meeting to begin in the home economics room. ABOVE: Terry Stofer takes a nap during a first hour class. LEFT: Doug Conley and Jackie Burris were chosen as the "favorites" of the seniors.



Beth Steffe is one of several girls that got married during their senior year at Mansfield High School.

After graduation she will be moving to Leavenworth, Kansas to join her husband David, who has been in the Army for several months.

Beth thinks she will miss Mansfield, yet at the same time she feels that there really isn't anything here for her husband or for herself. The things she will miss the most about leaving Mansfield will be her family and David's family.

One of the things she and her parents and brothers and sisters enjoy most is just being together and having fun.

School is also on Beth's list of things she will miss and she plans to come back and visit. However, she has lived in Mansfield for 13 years and thinks that it's time to move on to different things.

When it comes to hobbies and things to do in spare time, Beth picks swimming, traveling, and going to parties as her favorite ways to have a good time.

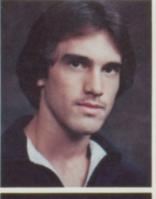
# Seniors

### RANDALL DALE ADAMSON

FFA.1.2.3.4. and Officer 2, Student Council 2, Basketball 1.2, Baseball 2.3.4. Track 1.2. Band 1, Junior Olympics 2.3.4. Class Officer 1.2. Annual King Candidate 4, Barnwarming King 4, FFA Teams 2, Industrial Arts Fair 3.

JANIE KATHELEEN BARLETT FFA 4, FHA (1,2,3), Library Club 3, and Officer 3, Pep Club I, Music Contest I, Glee Club I.

RICHARD NIEL BATTEN German Club 3.4, Track I, Band I, Industrial Arts Fair I,2.







JOE BENNETT Basketball 1.2.3; Track 1.2; Junior Olympics 2.4; Industrial Arts Fair

JOHN CHARLES BIEZE Track and Cross Country 1.2. KAYLENE BRANSTETTER FFA 1.2.3.4, Basketball 1.4, Softball 1.2, Band 1, Mixed Chorus 4,

SUSAN KAY BRANSTETTER

BILLY N. BRAZEAL FFA I.2.3, National Honor Society 3.4, Basketball I, Baseball I.2.3, Band I, FFA Teams I.2.3, Industrial Arts Fair 4.

FHA 1.2.3, German Club 3.4, Pep Club 2.3.4, Mixed Chorus 2.3.4, Science Contest 4, Music Contest 2.3.4.

JACQUELINE LEE BURRIS FFA 4, FHA 1,2,3,4, Pep Club 1,2,3,4, Pom Pon 1,2,3,4, Mascot 4, Class Officer 2, Class Favorite 4, Industrial Arts Fair 1.





**TERRI LYNN CANTRELL** FFA 3.4; FHA 1.2.3; Library Club 4; Pom Pon 3; Biggest Flirt 4; Junior Olympics 2; Class Officer 1.

JOE COLBURN FFA 1.2.3.4, FFA Teams 4.

### MILFORD WESLEY COOK

Science Club 4, German Club I, Band I,2,3,4; and Officer 4; Pep Band 3,4; Mixed Chorus 4, Speech and Drama 4, "Meet Me In St. Louis" Cast 2, Boys State 3, Science Contest 4, Music Contest I,2,3,4; Industrial Arts Fair I,2, FTA 4, and Officer 4.







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### T. BRYAN DEAN

FA 1.2.3.4: and Officer 2. Science Club 3: Student Council I: Basketball 1.2: Baseball 2.3.4: Track and Cross Country I: Band I: Mixed Chorus 4: Junior Olympics 2: Class Officer I: Annual King Candidate II: FFA Teams 1.2: Science Contest 2: Math. Contest. I: Music Contest. 4: Industrial Arts Fair

### CHERYL ANN DENNIS

FHA 1.2.3.4, Student Council 3, Pep Club 1.2.4, and Officer I, Pom Pon 4, Quill and Scroll 3,4, and Officer 4, Newspaper Staff 3,4, Yearbook Staff 3,4, and Editor 3,4, Band 1.2.3.4, and Officer 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 4, Mixed Chorus 3,4; and Officer 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 4, Mixed Chorus 3,4; and Officer 3,4; Speech and Drama 4, Most Talented 4, Girls State 3, District Music Contest 1,2,3,4; State Music Contest

### JEFF DUNBAR FFA 1.2.3.4. Track 1.2. FFA Teams 1.2. Industrial Arts Fair

**KENNETH WENDELL DUNBAR** FFA 2.3.4









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### MIKE GAGE FFA 3; FFA Teams 2.3; Industrial Arts Fair 1.

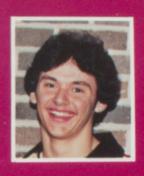
MICHELLE LAINE GIFFIN FHA 1.2.3.4. Science Club 4, and Officer 4, National Honor Society 4, and Officer 4, Pep Club 1.3.4, and Officer 4, Pom Pon 3.4. Basketball 2.3.4, Volleyball 3.4, Softball 1.2.3.4, Track I, Cutest 4, Class Clown 4, Junior Olympics 3.4, Barnwarming Queen Candidate 3, Science Contest 4, English Contest 1.

### SANDY GRAHAM

FFA 4, FHA 1.2.4, and Officer 2, Science Club 2.4, National Honor Society 3.4, German Club 3.4, Student Council I, Pep Club 1.2.3.4, Cheerleader 1.2.3.4, Track 1.2, Glee Club 1, Mixed Chorus 3.4, and Officer 4, Speech and Drama 3, "The Stage Door" Cast 3, Neatest 3.4, Miss Mansfield Runner-Up 2.3, Science Contest 4, Music Contest 2.3.4, Industrial Arts Fair 4.

### DAVID DWAYNE GRAY

FFA 1.2.3.4, and Officer 3, National Honor Society 2.3.4, Pep Club 3.4, and Officer 4, Basketball 1.2.3.4, Baseball 1.2.3.4, Cutest 3, Junior Olympics 2.3.4, Barnwarming King 2, FFA Teams 1.2.3.4, FTA 4.



Phillip Matney has enjoyed sports through-out his whole life, and plans to combine his past experiences and his sports experiences and his sports know-how to help other young people who are striving to become ath-letes. In other words, he wants to be a coach. Phillip has always liked sports, and he plans to further his advection at

to further his education at the School of the Ozarks at Point Lookout where he will major in physical education. He would also like to take classes in art because he feels that painting and other types of art relax him.

of art retax nim. Phillip was born in Mansfield in 1963, and has moved four times since then. During his early elementary days. Phil went to school in Springfield, then moved back to Mansfield in the fifth grade. He moved to Davenport. lowa for his sixth and seventh grade years and then returned to Mansfield for the remainder of high school. Phillip has a younger brother, Brian, who is a

fifth grader. Phillip's pride and joy is his 1978 black Ford pick-up. He is especially proud of it because it was a gift from his dad.

# Seniors

### LISA HELVEY GREEN

FHA 1.2.3.4, National Honor Society 3.4, Pep Club 1.2.3, Pom Pon 2.3, Quill and Scroll 3.4, Newspaper Staff 3.4, Yearbook Staff 3.4, and Editor 3.4, Band 1.2.3.4, Pep Band 4, Mixed Chorus 3.4, "Meet Me in St. Louis" Cast 2, Class Officer 4, Miss Mansfield Runner-up 2, English Contest 2, Music Contest 1.2.3.4, Business Contest 3.

RANDY GREEN

Math Club 3: German Club 3: Junior Olympics 3.

### DEBRA DEE HERBST

DEBKA DEE HEKBS1 FHA 1.2.3.4. and Officer 4. Science Club 2.3.4. National Honor Society 3.4. and Officer 4. Student Council 3. Pep Club 1.2.3.4. and Officer 2.3. Pom Pon 1.2. Quill and Scroll 3.4. Yearbook Staff 3.4. and Editor 3.4. Newspaper Staff 3.4. Mascot 4. Basketball 1.2.3.4. Basketball All-Conference Second Team 3. Volleyball 3.4. Softball 1.2.3. Best All Around 4. Most School Spirit 3. Junior Olympics 2.3.4. Class Officer 2.3.4. Class Favorite 3. Annual Queen 2. Science Contest 3. Math

### MIKE HUCKABY Class Officer 3: Class Favorite I.

### WILLIAM THOMAS JETT

FFA 1.2.3.4, and Officer 2.4, Student Council 4, Pep Club 2.3.4, Basketball 1.3.4, Baseball 2.3.4, Track 1.3.4, Mixed Chorus 3.4, Speech and Drama 3.4, Junior Olympics 3, FFA Teams 1.2.3.4, Music Contest 3.4, Industrial Arts Fair I, FTA 4, Student Body President 4.

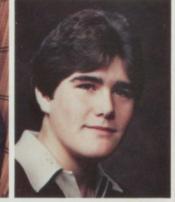
CHRISTOPHER RAY JONES Student Council I, Baseball I,2; Class Clown 4; Best All Around 4; Junior Olympics 4; Class Officer 2; Class Favorite 3; Annual King 2; Industrial Arts Fair 1,2;











DANNY JONES FFA 1.2.3.4, German Club I, Track I, Band 1.2, FFA Teams 1.2.

FHA 1.2.3; Library Club 4; National Honor Society 3.4; German Club 3.4; Pep Club 1.2.3.4; Pom Pon 3.4; Mixed Chorus 1.2.3.4; Science Contest 3; Music Contest 1.2.3.

PAMELA K. KIRBY

KAREN LYNN KUHN FFA 4: Mixed Chorus I.





### **RICK KUHN** FFA 4.

JIM LANSDOWN Track I Industrial Arts Fair 1.2.

### SHEILA MARIE LEBAHN

FHA 1.2.3.4. Science Club 2.3.4, Math Club 3, National Honor Society 2.3.4, German Club 4, Pep Club 2, Volleyball 3.4, Softball 3.4, Track 3, Band 1.2, Pep Band I, Mixed Chorus I, Speech and Drama 3.4, "Meet Me in St. Louis" Cast 2, "Angel Street" Cast 3.4, Junior Olympics 3, Science Contest 3.4, English Contest 3.4, Music Contest 1.2, FTA







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### SARA LEE LILES

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### PHILLIP ALAN MATNEY

Science Club 3,4, Pep Club 1,2,3,4, and Officer 4, Newspaper Staff 3, Yearbook Staff 3, Basketball 2,3,4, Baseball 4, Junior Olympics 2,3,4, Neatest 4, Science Contest 4, Industrial Arts Fair 1,2,3,

### LAVETA MCALISTER

FHA 1.2.3.4, and Officer 4. Science Club 3.4. German Club 3. Pep Club 1.2.3.4, Pom Pon 1.2.3.4, Volleyball 4. Softball 3.4: Track I. Junior Olympics 2.3: Barnwarming Queen 4: Science Contest 3.4: FTA 4: FHA Queen 3.

BRUCE Contest 34, Fire 4, Fire Guten 3. BRUCE C. MCCRITE Science Club 4, National Honor Society 4, German Club 1.3,4, and Officer 3, Student Council 4, Track 3,4, Band 1.2,3,4, and Officer 4, Pep Band 3,4, Speech and Drama 3,4, Track and Cross Country 3,4, "Meet Me In St. Louis" Cast 2, "Angel Street" Cast 3,4, Most Talented 3, Most Likely to Succeed 4, Most Studious 4, Most Talented 4, Class Officer 4, Boys State 3; English Contest 2,4; Music Contest 3,4, Industrial Arts Fair 1,3.

### LISA RENAE MCJUNKINS FHA 1.2. Pep Club I.

GAYLA YVONNE MCKEEL CATEA TVOINTE INCLUE INCLUE FAI (1,2,3,4) and Officer 4, Science Club 3,4, German Club 3, Student Council 3, Pep Club 1,2,3,4, Pom Pon 1,2,3,4, Quill and Scroll 4, Newspaper Staff 4, Vearbook Staff 4, Volleyball 4, Sottball 3,4, Track 1, Most School Spirit 4, Science Contest 3,4, Math Contest 1, FTA 4.

### KIMBERLY JUNE MOODY

FIA 1.2,4, National Honro Society 3,4, German Club 1.2.3,4, and Officer 2.3, Student Council I, Pep Club 1.2.3,4, and Officer 4, Cheerleader 1.2.3,4, Quill and Scroll 3,4, and Officer 4, Newspaper Staff 3,4, and Editor 3, Yearbook Staff 3,4, and Editor 4, Band 4, and Officer 4, Class Favorite I, Annual Queen Candidate I, Homecoming Queen Candidate 4.

LISA FRANCINE MOORE FHA 1.2.3.4; Newspaper Staff 3.4; Yearbook Staff 3.4, and Editor 3.4.



Because John Bieze has always been intrigued by the field of electronics. he took advantage of the Navy's pre-enlistment program and signed up during his senior year for a four-year hitch.

Including boot camp in California and elec-tronics school in Tennessee. John will spend four years in the Navy. Upon his release, he plans to go on to college.

His senior year was John's first year at Mansfield. Prior to that he had lived in Illinois. and latest in Kirksville, Missouri.

The other schools John has attended have all been bigger than MHS. He thinks the advantage to larger schools include more sports available such as football and wrestling, and more classes. Larger towns also provide more after-school activities. including theaters and roller rinks.

Camping and taking float trips by canoe are John's top choices for leisure time activities. The summers of 1978 and 1979 were occupied with 50-mile canoe trips in Michigan with Scout groups.

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## Seniors

### JODY NAPIER

FHA 1.2.3.4. Pep Club 1.2.3.4. Glee Club 2, Volleyball 4, Softball 3 Science Club 2.3.4. National Honor Society 3.4. English Contest 3

PAMELA DEANN OLIVE FHA 1,2,3,4; and Officer 4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; All-Conference Second Team 4; Volleyball 4; Softball 1,2,3,4; Junior Olympics 2,3,4; Annual Queen 4.

TIMOTHY L. RITTER Biggest Flirt 4: Junior Olympics 3: Class Officer 3.







### ANNELISE KAY RUMMENS

ANNELLSE KAY KUMMENS FHA 2.3.4, and Officer 4. Science Club 2.3.4, Math Club 2.3.4, and Officer 4. National Honor Society 2.3.4, Pep Club 1.2.3.4, Pom Pon 3.4, Quill and Scroll 3.4, Newspaper Staff 3.4, Yearbook Staff 3.4, and Editor 3.4, Basketball 1. Volleyball 3, Softball 1.3, Track 1, Band 1.2.3.4, Pep Band 1.3.4, Mixed Chorus 1.2.3, Speech and Drama 4, "Meet Me in St. Louis" Cast 2, Science Contest 2.3, Math Contest 2.3, English Contest 2.3, Music Contest 1.2.3.

### TRESA KAY SKYLES

FFA 1.2.3: German Club 3.4: Pep Club 1.2.3.4: Mixed Chorus 1.2.3.4: Science Contest 2.4: Music Contest 1.2.3.4.

CARL E. SLATE







### **DEBI SMITH**

FHA 1.2.3.4; Pep Club 1.2.3; Cheerleader 2; Basketball 1; Softball 4; Band 1,2; Pep Band 1.2; Mixed Chorus 4; Speech and Drama 3; and Officer 3; Homecoming Queen 3; Math Contest 2; English Contest 2; Music Contest 1,2.4; Business Contest 3;

### **RENEE SMITH**

FFA 3: FHA 4: Band 1.3.4: Pep Band 4: Mixed Chorus 3: Class Officer 4: FFA Teams 3: Science Contest 4: English Contest 3.4: Music Contest 3.4: Business Contest 3: State Music Contest 3.

### **AARON STANIFER**

FFA 3.4, Math Club 2.3, National Honor Society 2.3.4, Student Council 2, Basketball 1.2.3.4, Baseball 1.2.3.4, Junior Olympics 3.4, Barnwarming King Candidate 3, Science Contest 4, Math Contest 1.2.3.











FHA 1.2. Pep Club 1.2.3. Barnwarming Queen Candidate 2. Homecoming Queen Candidate 2. Music Contest 1.

TERRY RAY STOFER Library Club 3; and Officer 3; National Honor Society 2:3:4; Pep Club 3:4; Basketball 1:2:3:4; Baseball 4; Speech and Drama 4; Junior Olympics 2:3:4; Boys State 3; FTA 4; Most School Spirit 4; Track 1:2:3:

JOHN STORMS FFA 1.2.3,4; FFA Teams 1.2













LUCI STORMS FHA 1.2.3: Pep Club 1.2: Mixed Chorus 1.2: Music Contest

### MICHELE ANN VONBEHREN

FHA 1.2.3.4. and Officer 2.3.4. Science Club 2.3.4. and Officer 4. National Honor Society 3.4. and Officer 3.4. German Club 3: Pep Club 1.2.3.4. Basketball 1.2.3.4. Soft all 1.2. Most Athletic 3.4. Basketball All-Conference First Team 3.4. Junior Olympics 2.3.4. Barnwarming Queen I, Science Contest 1.3.

### RUTH DIANE WATSON FHA 4, Basketball 3,4, Softball 4, Junior Olympics 4, Science Contest 3,4, Business Contest 4.

JILL ANN WORTHINGTON FHA 1.2.3.4: Science Club 4: National Honor Society 4: Student Council 4: Pep Club 2.3.4: Cheerleader 3.4: Volleyball 1.3.4: Sottball 2.3: Track 2.3: Mixed Chorus 1.2.3: Speech and Drama 3.4: Junior Olympics 3.4: Miss Mansfield 3: Science Contest 4: Music Contest 3.4: Business Contest 4:

RHONDA LYNN DOTSON HA 1.2.3.4, Science Club 4, Pep Club 1.2.3.4, Pom Pon 2.4, Junior Olympics 4, Annual Queen Candidate 2. NOT SHOWN:

DOUG CONLEY

Sandy Graham supports Deann Olive and Kim Moody in a senior "cheer".



If anyone at Mansfield High School is "Happy" it's Billy Brazeal, since that's what everyone has called him for as long as he can remember.

Happy has worked at the Tobin-Hamilton Shoe Factory for two years. Besides working he likes to fish. hunt. play the guitar. and listen to country music. His favorite singer is Hank Williams. Jr.

Happy likes to hunt for squirrels at Pigeon Roost Holler, which is near his grandfathers home. He also likes to fish for bass. Happy likes fishing and hunting for the sport of it and because it gives him something to do and it is a way to get some time alone.

Happy has been playing the guitar for a few months. He's being taught by his grandfather and his uncle and enjoys playing with them.

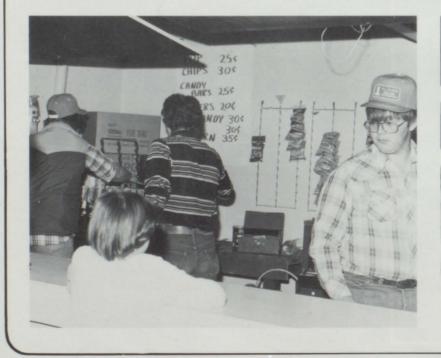
In his spare time, Happy enjoys painting farm scenes in oil. He especially enjoys the art classes he has taken while in high school.

Happy has lived in Mansfield all his life. and following graduation he plans to go on to college.

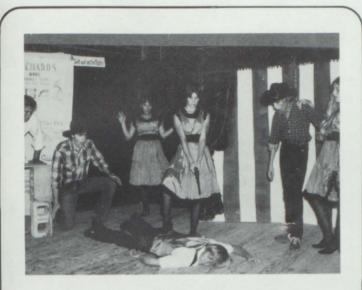
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### Shooting spree claims one, almost

There was a gunshot, then Johnny was lying face down on the floor.

But it wasn't for real. It was just part of the action that happened when several members of Speech and Drama Club joined Mansfield's Silver Palace Players to present a musical review during the annual Laura Ingalls Wilder Days.

The review took place in September and drew audiences of hundreds of people. It was so successful that an encore performance was given at school. The gymnasium was packed with students from all twelve grades and kindergarten and the performance was frequently punctuated by laughter and applause.

Pictured above is a scene from "Frankie and Johnny," a dramatization of the famous ballad. While the song was sung in the background, MHS students pantomimed the action. Shown are Terry Stofer, Milford Cook. Diana White. Lori Van Hook (Frankie), Van Coday (Johnny), Joe Magdziarz, and Paula Wingo.

Other segments of the program included a Gay 90's musical group, a herd of cowboys singing ballads, and several skits. The finale was composed of several patriotic numbers.







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### "Our band does it with pep"

Pep Band, a welcome addition to basketball game entertainment, was revived at MHS this year.

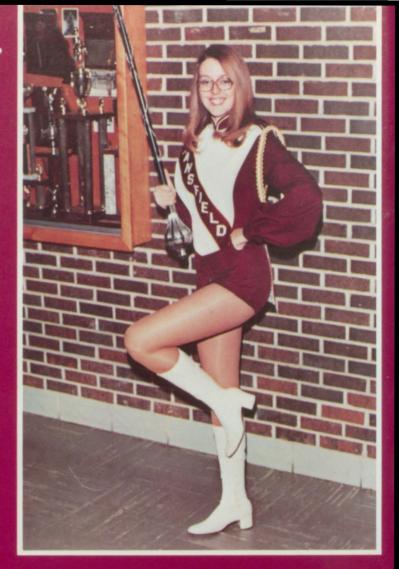
This time around. Pep Band took on a whole new look. The band members practiced on their own time, mostly before school began in the morning. They played for all the boys' home games and for most of the girls' games. They even had their own slogan - "Our Band Does It With Pep!"

Almost all the fans agreed that the Pep Band added lots of fun and excitement - and pep - to the home games.

Complimentary comments were given to band members, including "You sound great!", "Why haven't we had a Pep Band forever?", and "They sure add a lot to the ballgames!"

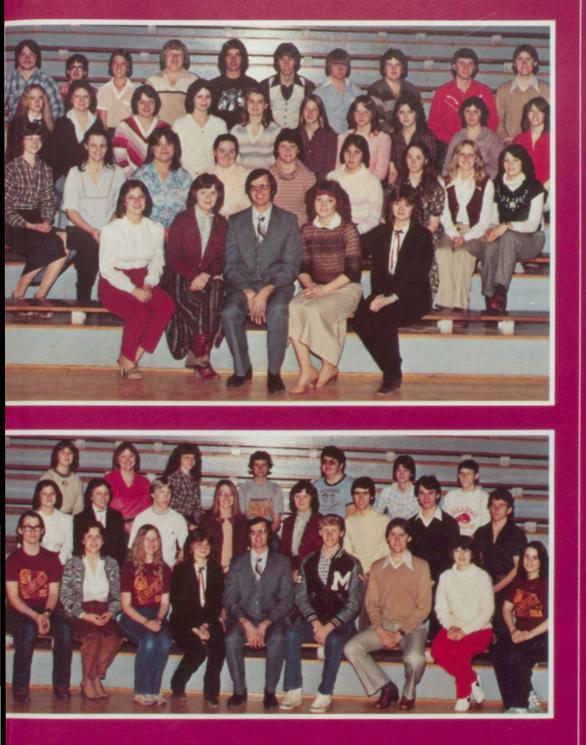
The Marching Band took part in several area Christmas parades, and also marched in Mansfield's Laura Ingalls Wilder Day Parade and the annual Butter Day Parade.

The band, along with Mixed Chorus, entered the Southwest District Music Festival held in March. Both groups made "III" ratings.





BELOW: Mixed Chorus members. Front Row - Diana White, Cheri Dennis, Mr. Eric Spyres, Sandy Graham, Cindy Bennett, Row Two - Neta Snider, Becky Wilder, Bertha Stranghoner, Rachel Burdine, Susie Freeman, Bobbi Bettley, Grace Paxton, Vickie Smith, Debi Smith, Row Three - Jane Coday, Linda Sowers, Tresa Skyles, Susan Branstetter, Lisa Cunningham, Paula Wingo, Teresa Grutel, Kim Calhoun, Kandy Moore, Sue France, Back Row - David Cowell, Mark Euler, Joe Magdziarz, Gordon Edwards, Bryan Dean, Terry Allen, Van Coday, Rance Veit, Will Jett, Milford Cook, LEFT: Drum majorette Sara Liles.



ABOVE: Pep Band members. Front Row - James Livingston, Ann Rummens, Melissa Calhoun, Cindy Bennett, Mr. Eric Spyres, Bill Cook, Milford Cook, Reeda Rippee, and Misha Manely. Row Two - Diana White. Sandy Hylton, Dean Lebahn, Sara Liles, Cheri Dennis, Glenn Dasmalchi, Bruce McCrite, and Larry Stofer. Back Row - Michele Rummens, Renee Smith, Neta Snider, Chris Ghan, Bill Clements, Steve Day, Todd Beisemeyer. LEFT: Marching Band members. Front Row - Cheri Dennis, Bruce McCrite, Sara Liles, Kim Moody. From left - Renee Smith, Diana White, Michele Rummens, Reeda Rippee. Neta Snider, Freddy Terry, James Livingston, Misha Manely, Bill Clements, Larry Stofer, Dean Lebahn, Bill Cook, Sherry Akins, Cissy Mitchell, Glenn Dasmalchi, Steve Day, Nolan Snider, Chris Ghan, Todd Beisemeyer, Stanley Richardson, Melissa Calhoun, Ann Rummens, Sheila Gleason, Sheila Smith, Milford Cook, Cindy Bennett, Mr. Eric Spyres.

Cheri Dennis has been involved with music practically all of her life. She has been in band since the sixth grade when she began playing the alto saxophone.

Although she is active in instrumental music. the vocal area is really where Cheri excels. A member of Mixed Chorus her junior and senior years. she took a soprano solo to the District Music Festival both years. She received a "I" rating. enabling her to compete at the state level.

During high school. Cheri has been in several vocal and instrumental groups. She was a member of the saxophone quartet. and the mixed-eight vocal group. Cheri was also a member of the girls sextet that last year received a "I" at District Music Festival and a "II" at the State Music Contest.

Cheri is especially active in the church music program at the First Baptist Church. She participates in youth choir and often sings solos for Sunday services.

Cheri plans to attend Southwest Baptist college, working for a major in music and a minor in church music.

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### Soloists bring home "ones"

Three "I" ratings were awarded to MHS students at the District Music Contest held at Southwest Missouri State University.

All three top-placing entries were for vocal solos. The singers were Cheri Dennis and Bruce McCrite, seniors, and junior Lisa Cunningham.

Cheri and Bruce each went on to earn a "I" at the state level.

Several vocal and instrumental solos and ensembles earned "II" ratings. Vocal soloists Rachel Burdine, Linda Sowers, Diana White, and Becky Wilder each got a "II", as did the senior sextet and the madrigal. Cindy Bennett got a "II" for her saxophone solo, and the trumpet quartet got a "II".

Debi Smith and Van Coday each got a "III" for vocal solos, Sandy Hylton and Michele Rummens each got a "III" for piano solos. The saxophone quartet made a "III", and so did the mixed-eight group and the trio.













TOP LEFT: Madrigal - Paula Wingo, Vicki Smith, Lisa Cunningham, Cindy Bennett, Gordon Edwards, Rance Veit, Terry Allen, Boyd Jordan. BOTTOM LEFT: Saxophone Quartet - Cindy Bennett, Sara Liles, Cheri Dennis, Sandy Hylton. BOTTOM MIDDLE RIGHT: Soloists - Cindy Bennett (saxophone), Milford Cook (saxophone), Michele Rummens (piano), Sandy Hylton (piano). ABOVE: Trio - Becky Wilder, Neta Snider, Paula Wingo.

OPPOSITE PAGE TOP RIGHT: Soloists Rachel Burdine, Linda Sowers, Van Coday, Becky Wilder, Debi Smith, Diana White, Cheri Dennis, Bruce McCrite, Lisa Cunningham. MIDDLE RIGHT: Mixed Eight - Diana White, Sandy Graham, Cheri Dennis, Kim Calhoun, Joe Magdziarz, Milford Cook, Will Jett, Van Coday.









TOP: Senior Sextet - Sandy Graham, Cheri Dennis, Renee Smith, Jill Worthington, Sara Liles. Not shown, Lisa Green. TOP MIDDLE: Junior Sextet - Cindy Bennett, Rachel Burdine, Jane Coday, Diana White, Lisa Cunningham, Linda Sowers. ABOVE: Trumpet Quartet -Renee Smith, Michele Rummens, Chris Ghan, Neta Snider. LEFT: Junior high band members march down main street during the Christmas parade.

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Bruce McCrite has given MHS's music department many reasons to be proud, including vocal solo I ratings at district and state music contests the past two years.

Bruce first got seriously involved in the music contests during his junior year, with excellent results. He earned a I rating for his vocal solo at district contest, then went on to state contest to earn another I for the same solo. This year he did it again; a I at district and a I at state.

Bruce has been interested in music since fifth grade when he was a member of a choir under the direction of music teacher Mrs. Terry Spyres. He became involved in a tour group called "True Spirit" during his freshman year and toured with it throughout Kansas.

Has nervousness been a problem for Bruce when he gets up to sing? You bet, and it still is. He says that he isn't usually nervous until he's in front of that microphone, and then "I'm tremendously nervous! But when I start singing, it goes away."

## StuCo Exchange profitable for MHS

"Sometimes you feel down on your own school, but when you go to another school and see how it's run, you appreciate your own school more."

Student Council secretary Sara Liles had that to say about the council exchange she and other Mansfield students participated in with Liberty High School (Mountain View-Birchtree).

The MHS StuCo traveled to Liberty in the fall for the first half of the exchange.

"I think our Student Council got a lot of ideas from Liberty. Several of their ways impressed our members, but in a lot of things we felt we had them beat," commented council sponsor Eric Spyres.

In the spring, the Liberty council visited Mansfield. They toured the building and attended classes similar to their normal schedule.

Senior Will Jett was elected Student Body President in a general election. He later resigned because of personal problems. Junior Class President Ronnie Barnum was appointed to serve as acting president.

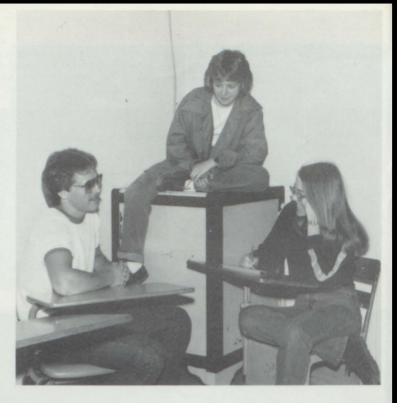
To run for office, students had to start a petition and get 50 signatures. Each student could only sign one petition for each office.

Other officers elected were Sara Liles, secretary, and Van Coday, treasurer.

One of the most popular projects undertaken by the council was the addition of a Hi-C machine in the main lobby.

Council members attended the annual Southwest District Student Council Convention at Marshfield High School. The meeting included mini-discussion groups on the topics of raising and promoting school spirit and enthusiasm.

Other projects for the group included writing a new constitution, sponsoring several assemblies, renovating the billboard sign in front of the high school, and setting up trash cans on campus. The council also was responsible for organizing Homecoming 1981.







**Compliments of: CHARLES LILES** 





THIS PAGE TOP: Student Council members. Seated - Joe Sherrill, Sara Liles (secretary), Jill Worthington, Ronnie Barnum (president), Van Coday (treasurer), Missy Clark, Bruce McCrite. Standing - Stan Dennis, Mr. Eric Spyres, Glenn Dasmalchi, Tim Cantrell. ABOVE: Sandy Hylton and Ronnie Barnum stock the Hi-C machine. OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Ronnie Barnum, Jill Worthington, and Sara Liles discuss a council problem. MIDDLE: Student Curriculum Committee. Seated - Susan Campe, Sheila Lebahn, Patty Calhoun, Melissa Calhoun. Standing - Michele Rummens, John Moore, James Livingston, Mr. Eric Spyres, Misha Manely. LEFT: Will Jett delivers his campaign speech to the assembled student body.

#### Advisory Board studies classes

Mansfield's first Student Curriculum Advisory Board was created so that the student body could have a voice in suggesting curriculum changes.

The charter members, elected by the student body, were Sheila Lebahn, John Moore, Susan Campe, Patty Calhoun, Michele Rummens, James Livingston, Melissa Calhoun, and Misha Manely.

Anyone in high school wanting to be on the committee had to have 25 people to sign a petition for them. Students could sign only one petition for each class.

Other rules for students were that they must maintain as S- grade average and have good school citizenship standards.

According to Student Council sponsor Eric Spyres, "The group will help put in some classes that are possibly needed and wanted by students. It will also provide input to student scheduling problems."

The group met every other month with the newly formed faculty and parent curriculum committees.



He was treasurer in 1981, but set his sights higher for 1982, when he will be president of the MHS student body.

Van Coday, who got lots of practical leadership practice serving as treasurer, is looking forward to holding the office of president.

"MHS will have a good Student Council in the 1981-82 school year because the students on the council will get along well and work together to make the year the best that Mansfield has ever seen."

This will be the second consecutive year that Van has held an office in the Student Council because he likes the thought of being able to accomplish something for the whole school.

Van felt that holding an office in the council has given him the feeling of responsibility, and given him the chance to represent the school.

He breezed through the required campaign speeches before the entire school, and expressed the hope that the students would work together to improve what needed improvement.

## Group changes social events

FHA broke with tradition and traded in the Mother-Daughter Banquet and Daddy Date Night on some newer models-a Parent Member Banquet and a Senior Tea.

The Parent Member Banquet was held prior to Thanksgiving, and turkey and all the trimmings were served to club members and their parents. A Thanksgiving poster contest was won by Lisa Moore and Debi Smith.

Senior Tea was an event for the girls and their mothers, held in the spring. Awards were given, and officers for 1982 were installed.

Earlier in the year, FHA members attended the annual regional meeting. The group was also represented by Michelle Mitchell, regional officer.

Money making projects for FHA included sponsoring the Miss Mansfield Contest and selling stick candy.

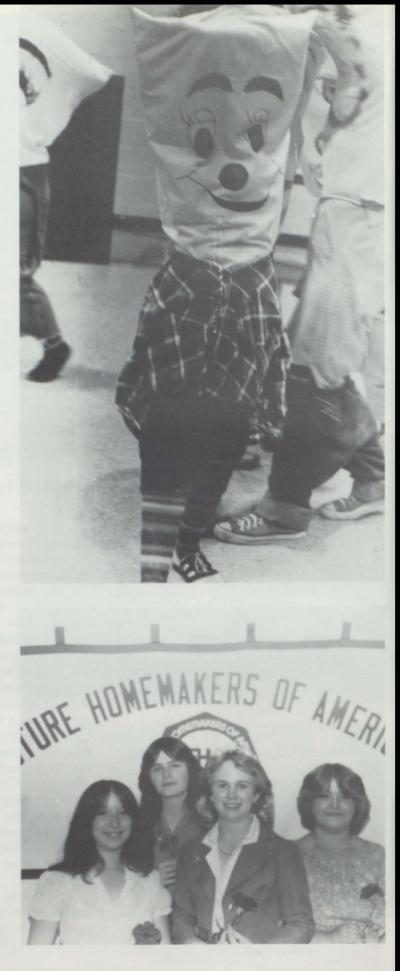
Charity projects undertaken by the group were assisting with the Mother's March of Dimes and the Cystic Fibrosis Walk-a-Thon.

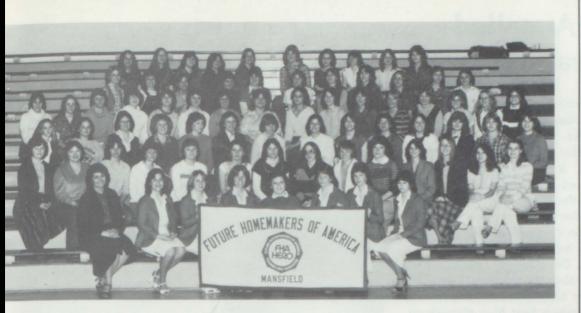
FHA Week was celebrated the week of February 23. Each day had a specialty, such as hats and glasses, tacky clothes, dress-up clothes, or FHA colors clothes. Chapter members hosted a Teachers Luncheon one day, and another was set aside for a secret pal party.

One member, Vicki Smith, said "It was really a surprise finding out who your secret pal was because it was who you least expected."

In October, 29 were initiated into FHA. During the school day they wore long underwear, a long flannel shirt with the sleeves rolled up, a sock on one hand, a belt decorated with jar rings, jeans with one leg rolled up, mismatched socks, and one high-heeled shoe and one boot. They had one half of their face covered with heavy make-up and the other half with lotion and white powder. Half of their hair was ratted and the other half done up in pony tails.

Formal initiation was held during an evening ceremony. Each girl was given a long-stemmed rose and a small red and white pin.











OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Kima Dennis performs as a pillow person during a skit at the FHA Senior Tea. BOTTOM: Gayla McKeel, second from right, was crowned FHA Queen. Her attendants are Patty Calhoun, Shelli Top, and Bertha Stranghoner. TOP: Front - Mrs. Kathy Barnett, Ann Rummens (recreation and song leader), Gayla McKeel (treasurer), Laveta McAlister (secretary), Michelle Mitchell (Region 9 representative). Debra Herbst (president), Michele Von Behren (vice president), Deann Olive (reporterhistorian). Row two - Cheri Dennis, Renee Smith, Ruth Watson, Michelle Giffin, Jackie Burris, Rhonda Dotson, Debi Smith, Sheila Lebahn, Jill Worthington, Sandy Graham, Kim Moody, Sara Liles, Patty Calhoun, Lisa Cunningham. Row three - Jane Coday, Brenda Dacumos, Linda Sowers, Kima Dennis, Connie Brooke, Sandy Hylton, Jenny Holt, Diana White, Sue France, Debbie Speakes, Barbara McCleary, Cindy Bennett, Shelly Clark, Susan Campe. Row four - Bobbie Bettley, Grace Paxton, Susie Freeman, Reeda Rippee, Michele Rummens, Janie Nichols, Kandi Moore, Bertha Stranghoner, Jacque Guccione, Lori Van Hook, Pat Levan, Mindy Brazeal, Gwen Carter, Jacquelyn Taylor, Vicki Smith, Sherry Akins. Row five - Melinda Coffman, Joy Logan, Kathy Cook, Donna Bettley, Shelli Top, Gina Johnson, Virginia Severs, Kitty Conley, Jean Magdziarz. Back - Misha Manely, Melissa Calhoun, Becky Livingston, Lisa Kirkland, Paula Wingo, Missy Clark, Čissy Mitchell, Jana Smith, Teresa Grutel, Kim Calhoun. MIDDLE LEFT: Laveta McAlister crowns Gayla McKeel FHA Queen. MIDDLE RIGHT: Mrs. Kathy Barnett displays a necklace, a gift from the FHA. LEFT: Mr. Glen Boyer gets set to go through a buffet prepared for the faculty by FHA members.



When junior Debbie Pearson was elected FHA Regional Treasurer for the 1981-82 year, she became aware of just how important and responsible a job it is.

As regional treasurer, Debbie has to balance the FHA checkbook, keep the financial records, and pay the bills for Region 9.

Debbie became treasurer by first doing an ENCOUNTER project, and then giving a speech before representatives of the 22 Region 9 chapters.

Debbie has been active in FHA for the past three years and will be a member her senior year as well. She has taken home economic classes such as Home Ec I, family meals, and family health, and this year she served as a teacher's aide for Mrs. Barnett's (FHA sponsor and home economics teacher) sixth hour class. Debbie participated

in and enjoyed all FHA activities. "I believe FHA is a big inspiration for anyone who joins the organization." she said. "It has helped me rationalize my responsibilities and helped me gain knowledge about myself."

# FFA called great group

High praise is given to Future Farmers of America by chapter sponsor Gene Cravens.

"I feel that FFA is the greatest youth organization in America for building leadership and character," he said.

One of the biggest accomplishments for the year for the chapter was when the livestock team qualified for state competition. Team members were Terri Carr, Cindy Short, Doug Stofer, and Will Jett. Cindy Short also got a Group I rating on her secretary book in state competition.

FFA members kept busy throughout the school year, attending FFA camp at the Lake of the Ozarks, the Greenhand Motivation Conference, a leadership training meeting, a swim party, National FFA Convention in Kansas City, State FFA Convention in Columbia, and the Area 8 Banquet.

Locally, FFA students hosted a Parent Member Banquet to end the years activities.

To raise money, the chapter conducted a slave auction, sold peanuts and beef jerky at school, and sold popcorn at home ballgames.















OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Cindy Short is given the FFA leadership award. MIDDLE: The PCA Award is presented to Will Jett by club adviser Mr. Gene Cravens. BOTTOM: Future Farmers of America members. Front – Glenn Dasmalchi (reporter), Will Jett (treasurer), Van Coday (vice president), Bill Cook (president), Mike Dougherty (sentinel), Larry Stofer (second vice president), Cindy Short (secretary), Kent Hedrick (chaplain), Steven Day (parlimentarian), Mr. Gene Cravens. Row Neta Snider, Rachel Burdine, Michelle Mitchell, Randy Adamson, Bryan Dean, Sandy Graham, Karen Kuhn, Charlie Stranghoner, Graham, Karen Kuhn, Charlie Stranghoner, Nolan Snider, Joe Colburn, Donnie Kelley, Larry Stofer. Row three — Kent Bennett, Lisa Cunningham, Mindy Brazeal, Pat Levan, Linda Sowers, Deidra Sickles, Terri Carr, Lori Williams, Jackie Burris, Bertha Stranghoner, Janie Barlett, Randy Calhoun, John Moore, Randy King. Row four — David Gray, Terri Cantrell, Darin Martin, Keith Moore, Joe Magdziarz, Dean Lebahn, Mark Pyle, Robert Gage, Darryl Climer, Stan Richardson, Kevin Cook. Back — Aaron Stanifer, Gwen Carter, Darin Price, Doug Stofer, Wayne Oliver, Mark Taylor, Jim Wilson, Steve Davis, John Slate, Kenny Dunbar, David Hulse. THIS PAGE TOP: Greenhands dressed hilariously during their initiation day. MIDDLE LEFT: Terri Carr receives the Star Chapter Farmer Award. MIDDLE RIGHT: Glenn Dasmalchi speaks during the FFA Parent Member Banquet. LEFT: Days Star Green in the Star Greenhand Doug Stofer is given the Star Greenhand Award.



It's not rare nowadays that a female can do just as excellent a job in a male dominated area as a man can, and Cindy Short is a fine example.

An active member of the FFA for the past three years, Cindy has proven her capabilities in this organization by winning many awards in several different ways. In her freshman year she captured the Star Greenhand award, her sophomore year saw her win an award in poultry production, and in her junior year she won awards in floriculture, public speaking, chapter leadership, and an award for her secretarial books in the state contest.

Cindy has also held important offices in FFA. She was reporter for the club her sophomore year, secretary her junior year, and will act as treasurer in 1982.

The FFA is important to Cindy, for she plans to use her knowledge in her future. "Public speaking will be helpful to me in communicating with people," she said, "and the knowledge of classes like animal health will be helpful."

## "Gazette" makes "All-Missouri"

After being in existence for only three years, the school newspaper, the "Lion's Gazette," earned the highest honor possible in state competition.

The paper was named "All-Missouri" by the Missouri Interscholastic Press Association. Mansfield was one of only a few schools in the state to receive the award.

In individual state competition, three students won four over-all awards for newspaper articles. Michele Lansdown's story on stress and teenagers was judged first in the state in the category of in-depth reporting. Kim Moody's roving reporter article placed first in conjunction with Michele's feature. Debbie Pearson placed second in the state with a feature on Randy Adamson. Michele also got an honorable mention for a sports story.

One ratings were earned by DeWayne Brimm, Sandy Hylton, and Ann Rummens.

The judges commented that the "Gazette" was neatly and carefully prepared, and that stories and features were thoroughly researched and intelligently written. They also stated that the "small, hard-working staff has achieved broad coverage and developed a competent and mature attitude toward journalism."

The 1980 yearbook, in the same contest, was awarded First Honors, missing the "All-Missouri" rating by only one point.







TOP RIGHT: Yearbook editors Sandy Hylton and Sara Liles revise the schedule on yearbook picture day. MIDDLE RIGHT: Newspaper editors DeWayne Brimm, editor, Michele Lansdown, assistant editor, and Joe Magdziarz, sports editor (newspaper and yearbook). Not shown, Jody Napier, advertising editor. ABOVE: School publications staff members. Seated - Debbie Pearson, Lisa Moore, Sandy Hylton, Sara Liles. Standing - Shelly Clark, Susan Campe, DeWayne Brimm, Mrs. Debbie Arnall, Lisa Green, Cheri Dennis, Kim Moody, Joe Magdziarz, Debra Herbst, Gayla McKeel, Michele Lansdown.







TOP: Quill and Scroll members. Front - DeWayne Brimm, Kim Moody, Debbie Pearson, Joe Magdziarz, Michele Lansdown. Back - Cheri Dennis, Sandy Hylton, Lisa Green, Sara Liles, Gayla McKeel, Linda Sowers, Mrs. Debbie Arnall. MIDDLE LEFT: Yearbook editors Sandy Hylton, assistant editor, Cheri Dennis, editor, Sara Liles, editor; and Linda Sowers, assistant editor. ABOVE: Debbie Pearson, index editor; Susan Campe, academics editor; Shelly Clark, events editor; Lisa Moore, classes editor; Gayla McKeel, clubs editor; Debra Herbst, senior editor.

# Chapter named for Dale Freeman

Quill and Scroll took on a new name. The chapter decided to call the group the Dale Freeman Chapter of Quill and Scroll.

Mr. Freeman is a well-known Ozarks journalist who began his career working for the "Mansfield Mirror."

Researching, designing, and selling Homecoming programs was the main project undertaken by Quill and Scroll. The programs featured pictures and information on Homecomings dating all the way back to the first Homecoming Queen in 1951.

The proceeds were used to finance a trip to the Missouri Interscholastic Press Association Awards Banquet held in Columbia.

The group presented honorary memberships to Superintendent Robert Perry and "Mansfield Mirror" editor Larry Dennis for their assistance in getting the school newspaper started three years ago.

Quill and Scroll is the international honorary society for high school journalists.

To be eligible for membership, a student must be a junior or senior in the upper third of his class.



Michele Lansdown would probably never have been a writer if it hadn't been for the influence of her freshman English teacher.

Michele's teacher at that time was Mrs. Mary Lou Rush, and she helped spark Michele's interest in writing by writing little notes on her papers saying what a talent she had.

"I always thought I'd be an artist." Michele said, "I liked to draw. But Mrs. Rush kept telling me to keep on writing and she kept asking me if I was going to be in "school pub" — I began to wonder than I thought I was!"

During her three years in high school Michele participated in the Summit Conference English contest in composition. She won a blue ribbon and two trophies during her freshman, sophomore, and junior years consecutively. Michele submitted stories to the Missouri Interscholastic Press Association and had two of them reach state level. One on teenagers and stress placed first in state.

## Follies crowns drama season

Drama Club's crowning glory of the year arrived in the form of the first annual Spring Follies.

The MHS Band and Mixed Chorus added their help in order to raise money for a play production in the fall of 1981.

The active audience fell silent for the dancing of three ballerinas attired in tutus, tiaras, tights, boxer shorts, and tennis shoes. Phillip Matney (Philinski Matningorski) was assisted by the Stofeski "sisters", Terry and Larry Stofer. They performed to the music of the "Nutcracker Suite."

Another hit act was the pillow people dancing skit performed by Jane Coday, Debbie Mahaffy. Sara Liles, Susan Campe, and Debbie Pearson.

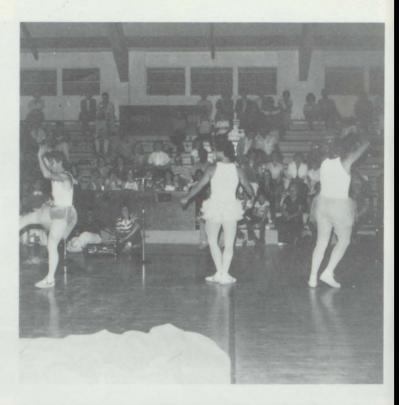
Elvis Presley and Dolly Parton were imitated by Joe Magdziarz and Jill Worthington. Susan Campe, DeWayne Brimm, and Debbie Pearson performed a readers theatre called "John, Only John," and Reeda Rippee did a humorous reading.

Some "oldies but goodies" numbers were performed by Mrs. Terry Spyres, Eric Spyres, Mrs. Debbie Arnall, and Gene Garrison.

Van Coday tied everything together as emcee.

Drama Club members also entered speech and drama contests at Kickapoo, Hillcrest, and Southwest Missouri State University, and saw the musical "Oklahoma" performed at Hillcrest.

Reeda Rippee and Sara Liles both earned superior ratings at contests.













THIS PAGE TOP: Speech and Drama Club members. Seated on floor - Kevin Cook, Kandy Moore. Standing - DeWayne Brimm, Jill Worthington (secretary), Sue France, Debbie Mahaffy, Mrs. Terry Spyres, Diane Rodgers, Reeda Rippee, Joe Magdziarz, Debbie Pearson, Cheri Dennis, Sheila Lebahn (vice president), Glenn Dasmalchi, Bruce McCrite (president), Sara Liles, Susan Campe. BOTTOM LEFT: Reeda Rippee does a humorous interpretation of "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay!" BOTTOM MIDDLE: Larry Stofer performs as the "unknown comic." BOTTOM RIGHT: Jill Worthington, as Dolly Parton, sings "Nine to Five." OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Larry Stofer, Phillip Matney, and Terry Stofer perform Ballet before a captivated audience. MIDDLE: Mrs. Terry Spyres, Mrs. Debbie Arnall, Mr. Eric Spyres, and Mr. Gene Garrison sing "Itsy Bitsy Teenie Weenie Yellow Polka-Dot Bikini." BOTTOM: The entire cast joins in the Follies finale.



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To attend Tennessee Temple University majoring in drama is the future goal of one of MHS's most talented actresses, Sheila Lebahn.

Sheila has been involved in many plays and skits during her high school years, but her biggest success must have been when she starred in "Meet Me In St. Louis," playing "Flo".

Sheila said "Meet Me In St. Louis" was a lot of fun. While most acting she does is scary, she said this program wasn't scary "because everyone enjoyed it; even the rehearsals didn't seem like work because of the enjoyment."

Aside from this school production, Sheila performed in the town's melodrama at Wilder Days this past year. Melodrama was much more frightening to her because it was concerned more with singing than acting. "After so many times it was more like a routine." she said.

Sheila has been involved with even more acting, including skits and contests. Her list of performances includes "Angel Street", "Plaza Suite", and "Trysting Place."

## Projects score big again

As usual, Mansfield came home from the Summit Conference Science Fair with more awards than any other school.

Of the six divisions they entered, MHS students captured five division trophies, four first place ribbons, seventeen second place ribbons, and two third place ribbons.

The division winners and their projects were:

Earth Science-Susan Campe, "Soil Type vs. Temperature and Moisture Control;"

Botany-Debbie Pearson and Derrick Neal, "The Effects of Glass Angles of Greenhouses;"

Chemistry-Glenn Dasmalchi and Steven Day, "The Effects of Octane Rating on Engine Performance;"

Microbiology-Sandy Hylton and Connie Brooke, "The Effects of Sodium Hypochloride on Streptococus Agalctine on Bovine;"

Physics-Laveta McAlister and Gayla McKeel, "The Effects of Dowel Size on the Yo-Yo."

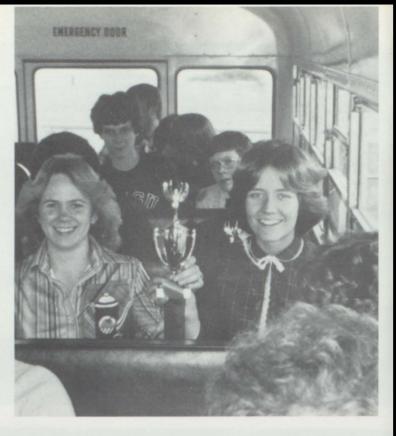
First place winners were Phillip Matney, Jill Worthington, Sara Liles, Gordon Edwards, Joe Sherrill, Mike Dougherty, and Brad Hannaford.

At the South Central Missouri Science and Engineering Fair held on the Campus of the University of Missouri-Rolla, MHS had nine projects that placed in divisions, and MHS students earned five special awards.

Sara Liles got the first place trophy in the biochemistry division, and received a special award from the Air Force and the Navy.

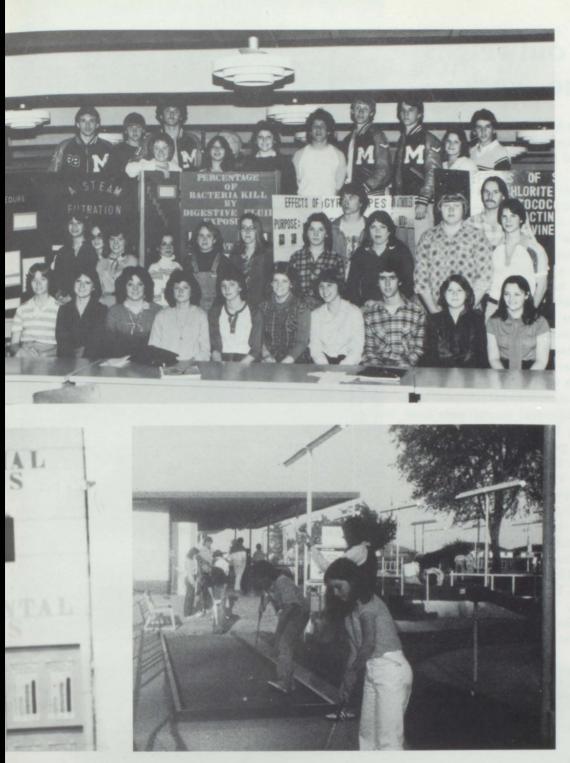
Placing in other divisions were Mike Dougherty and Brad Hannaford, physics: Steven Day and Glenn Dasmalchi, botany: Sandy Hylton and Connie Brooke, microbiology; Michelle Mitchell and Patty Calhoun, microbiology; Aaron Stanifer, biochemistry; Becky Wilder, medicine and health; Phillip Matney and Jill Worthington, earth science.

Special awards went to Jenny Holt and Michele Lansdown, Bill Cook and Ronnie Barnum, and Glenn Dasmalchi and Steven Day.











OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Gayla McKeel and Laveta McAlister show off the trophy they won at the Summit Conference Science Fair. MIDDLE: Debbie Pearson explains her project to the science fair judge. BOTTOM: Sara Liles displays her blue ribbon and the Math Club's traveling trophy won at the conference fair. THIS PAGE TOP: Science Club members. Front - Laveta McAlister, Linda Sowers, Sandy Graham, Michelle Giffin (vice president), Michele Von Behren (president), Debra Herbst, Jenny Holt, Glenn Dasmalchi, Michele Rummens, Becky Wilder. Row two - Susan Campe, Sheila Lebahn, Michele Lansdown, (reporter), Debbie Pearson, Gayla McKeel, Sara Liles, Rhonda Dotson, Stan Dennis, Terri Cantrell, Gordon Edwards, Mr. Glen Boyer, Steven Day. Back - Ronnie Barnum, Van Coday, Jill Worthington, Phillip Matney, Patty Calhoun, Michelle Mitchell (secretary-treasurer), Derrick Neal, Bill Cook, Bruce McCrite, Diana White, Joe Sherrill. MIDDLE: Patty Calhoun and Ann Rummens play miniature golf on the Science Club's annual trip. LEFT: Sandy Graham and Michelle Giffin got red ribbons for their science projects.



After bringing home several high honors from science contests the past three years, senior Sara Liles leaves the Science Club with an impressive record.

Sara has been in the Science Club for the past three years and served as secretary-treasurer her junior year.

In her sophomore year Sara brought home the third place division award in botany from the South Central Science Fair held at University of Missouri-Rolla. In her junior year she captured the first place botany trophy at the Summit Conference Fair and again took home third place in botany at Rolla.

With her senior year though, came a change of divisions and a change of awards. Instead of entering botany. Sara decided to enter the biochemistry division. She went to Rolla and returned with the first place trophy in that division, something that is very difficult to achieve. She also won a special award from the U.S. Air Force, and won the best of show award from the U.S. Navy.

## Fun outweighs the work

"Being in Math Club is a lot of work, but it's balanced out by the activities like the picnic and the banquet," said Glenn Dasmalchi.

The picnic he referred to was the annual fall picnic at Manes, which this year included food, games, and a nature hike. The food was hamburger and hotdogs; the nature hike included taking a drink from a natural spring.

To be a full member of Mu Alpha Theta, a student must be enrolled in the fifth semester of college preparatory math, and maintain an S average in math and other classes.

This year Math Club members brought home the math traveling trophy from the Summit Conference Science and Math Fair. Individual results were Sara Liles, second, trigonometry: Glenn Dasmalchi, first, geometry; second, Algebra II; Steven Day, third, Algebra II; Shelli Top, first, Algebra I.

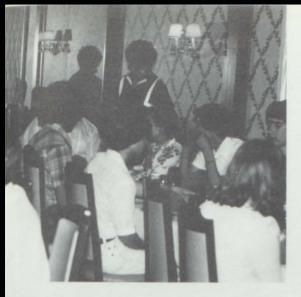
Besides enjoying several breakfasts together during the year, club members were treated to a steak dinner at the Shady Inn. Funds were raised by operating the pop machine in the high school lobby.

To Sara Liles, being in Math Club is "really great. The banquet makes up for all the hard work we do, with the exception of having to explain a problem in front of the whole club."











#### Lots want in, few make it

It's the club most high school students want to be in, but only a few make the grade. The club is National Honor Society.

NHS members must be in grades 10-12, maintain at least an S average (8.0), and be nominated by at least three teachers on the basis of scholarship, leadership, service, and character.

Following nomination, a faculty council composed of four teachers and the principal select the new members from the nomination list.

Two students were selected to represent the Mansfield chapter in the National Honor Society Scholarship competition. They were seniors Ann Rummens and Aaron Stanifer.

The group raised money to buy senior honor cords by raffling off a turkey at Thanksgiving, and by sponsoring a "car smash" during Wilder Days.

Neta Snider summed up the feelings of many NHS members when she said, "It is an honor, and it's helpful when trying to get into college later on."



OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Math Club members. Gary Holmes, Derrick Neal, DeWayne Brimm, Reeda Rippee, Steven Day, Sara Liles, (president) Glenn Dasmalchi, (secretary-treasurer) Michele Rummens, Nolan Snider, Jenny Holt, Mark Pyle. MIDDLE: Math Club members drink from a natural spring during the annual picnic. BOTTOM: Steven Day, Glenn Dasmalchi, Shelli Top, and Sara Liles accept the math contest traveling trophy from the contest judges. THIS PAGE TOP: The Shady Inn in Springfield was the site for the Math Club Banquet. MIDDLE: Bill Cook and other Math Club members breakfast at the Mimosa Restaurant. BOTTOM: National Honor Society members. Seated - Debra Herbst (secretary), Aaron Stanifer (vice-president), Michele Von Behren (president), Michele Giffin (treasurer), Michele Lansdown (reporter). Standing - Cindy Bennett, Debbie Pearson, Linda Sowers, Michelle Mitchell, DeWayne Brimm, Jill Worthington, Bruce McCrite, Diana White, David Gray, Kim Moody, Lisa Green, Sheila Lebahn, Sara Liles, and Mrs. Okema Haden.



It seems unlikely that a guy who could very easily go on to play pro baseball can also graduate from high school as the only male honor student of his class, and as vice president of the National Honor Society.

But it is possible, and Aaron Stanifer is the guy who has done it. Aaron was on the S+ or higher honor roll every semester of his high school years. was selected as a member of National Honor Society his sophomore year, and has been a member for three years. In his senior year he was chosen as vice president of NHS, the only male officer.

Aaron was able to keep his high grades by, of course, studying. He said his method for studying consisted of going over everything twice that he thought would be on the test.

Aaron found math courses like algebra and geometry to be the easiest for him, and all of the science classes he has taken have been the hardest.

Aaron was awarded a \$500 scholarship from the Bank of Mansfield during graduation ceremonies.

## Many set sights on teaching

The Future Teachers Association has finally arrived at MHS.

The club was initiated and sponsored by the local Community Teachers Association. Club members were recruited from students interested in becoming teachers in the future. Many of them were also teachers' aides for the elementary or high school instructors.

Nine FTA students got a first hand glimpse of real teaching when they took over several classes on what was billed as cadet teaching day.

The members, all juniors or seniors, spent most or all of the day teaching a class or assisting the real teacher with paperwork and individual instruction. Some of the tasks they undertook included taking roll, grading papers, assigning lessons, supervising tests, and lecturing.

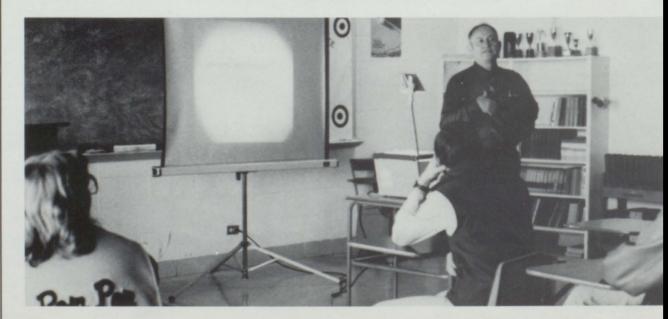
"The best part about FTA was getting to be a cadet teacher. It was a good experience and I hope next year I get to do the same thing," Debbie Pearson commented.

The nine who tried their hand at teaching were Terry Stofer, DeWayne Brimm, Jenny Holt, Debbie Pearson, Larry Stofer, Jane Coday, Cindy Short, Sandy Hylton, and Michele Lansdown.

Besides writing a constitution, the club members also found time to help teachers with bulletin boards and to listen to several guest lecturers. They also sold posters to earn money to finance Halloween and Christmas parties.











OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Jane Coday, cadet teacher, works with a grade school child. MIDDLE: Future Teachers of America members. Front — Jacque Guccione, Jane Coday, Sandy Hylton (secretary), Laveta McAlister (president), Michele Lansdown (vice president), Cheri Dennis, Debbie Pearson. Row two — Sherry Akin, Connie Brooke, Rachel Burdine, Becky Wilder, Cindy Short. Row three — Russell McIntosh. Sheila Lebahn. Shelly Clark, DeWayne Brimm, Gayla McKeel, Larry Stofer. Back — David Gray, Stan Dennis, Susan Campe, Mrs. Linda Davis, Jenny Holt, Jim Storms, Sara Liles, Bruce McCrite. BOTTOM: FTA hosts a speaker about elementary education. THIS PAGE TOP, German Club members. Front — Mrs. Dorris Sheets, Connie Brooke (secretary), Jeff Ivy (vice president), Row two — Kitty Conley, Paula Wingo, Joe Sherrill (president), Diana White. Row three — Cissy Mitchell, Deidra Sickles, Sheila Lebahn, Kima Dennis, Todd Biesemeyer, Randy Barlett. Row four — Jim Storms, Nancy Anderson, Michele Lansdown, Jenny Holt, Larry Stofer, Mark Euler, Bruce McCrite. Back — Sandy Graham, Kim Moody, DeWayne Brimm, Mark Pyle. ABOVE: Terry Stofer helps a grade school child during cadet teaching.

#### Language club tries acting

"Ashclenbrodel?" That means "Cinderella" in German, and that's the name of the play German Club members presented for the elementary students.

The play was done entirely in German, with Connie Brooke in the title role. Other cast members were Sheila Lebahn, stepmother; Missy Clark and Bill Cook, stepsisters; Paula Wingo, fairy godmother; DeWayne Brimm, the herald; Larry Stofer, king; Cissy Mitchell, queen; and Mark Pyle, Prince Charming.

Going beyond the German language. club members try to learn the German culture as well. Special projects are learning to polka and waltz, and learning to prepare authentic German recipes.

In order to finance a trip to Hermann, Missouri, a German-American community, club members sold hats and collected aluminum cans for recycling. While in Hermann they toured several historical sites, including a museum and a winery.

To be a member of German Club, a student must have completed or be enrolled in German classes. Club dues are two dollars.



FTA member Becky Wilder is the only student at MHS to have had one of her own essays printed nationwide.

Becky got her essay printed in a book entitled "Young America Speaks" when she won a contest sponsored by the National Essay Press. She received a book in which her story, along with several other winning entries from across the country, was printed in its entirety.

The contest required the entrant to write an essay containing 50 words or less on any subject. Becky found out about the contest from English teacher Mrs. Linda Davis, who encouraged her to enter. She finished her essay in about three weeks, looked at it. and realized immediately that she had to cut it down to fit the limit.

"I didn't mind cutting the story until I had to cut on the best part." Becky said. "That upset me." But after lots of writing and rewriting the story, she sent it in and was notified weeks later that she had been chosen a winner.

She was "ecstatic" when she heard the news.

## Mascot result of hard work

Pep Club worked hard - and it paid off.

Club members worked for weeks selling T-shirts and lion pins in order to make enough money to buy a mascot uniform. They earned \$400, enough to get a furry lion costume to be used at ballgames.

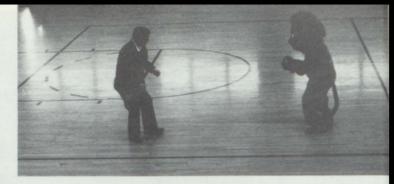
"I was proud of the Pep Club for raising the money for the mascot," said Miss Dorothy Jordan. "For myself it was a learning experience."

Mascot tryouts resulted in Larry Stofer, Debra Herbst, and Jackie Burris being chosen to alternate as the school mascot.

Club members adopted a new attendance rule which allowed members to miss two home games and three away games before being dismissed from the group. Attendance at the Blue and Gold Tournament in Springfield was excluded from the rule.

Pep Club is open to all high school students who maintain satisfactory conduct and attendance. Membership dues are 50 cents.

According to Jacque Guccione, "We accomplished a lot more this year than in the past years. We also had good sportsmanship, and that's what it's all about."







TOP: Mr. Gene Garrison dances with the lion mascot at a pep rally. MIDDLE: The junior varsity cheerleaders work the crowd during the Homecoming game. BOTTOM: Pep Club members. Front - Kim Calhoun, Gwen Carter, Gayla McKeel, Michelle Mitchell, Diana White, Jill Worthington, Phillip Matney (vice president), Michelle Giffin (secretary-treasurer), Kim Moody (reporter), David Gray (president), Sandy Graham, Connie Brooke, Sara Liles, Laveta McAlister, Rhonda Dotson. Row two - Cheri Dennis, Paula Wingo, Missy Clark, Cissy Mitchell, Lisa Cunningham, Tresa Skyles, Susan Branstetter, Teresa Grutel, Jackie Burris-Mascot, Sandy Hylton, Stan Dennis, Lori Van Hook, Jacque Guiccione, Sherry Akins, Patty Calhoun. Row three - Michele Von Behren, Darin Martin, Debra Herbst, Michele Lansdown, Jenny Holt, Michele Rummens, Larry Stofer, Bertha Stranghoner, Sue France, Cindy Bennett, Joe Magdziarz, Jana Smith, Terry Stofer, Joe Sherrill, Gordon Edwards, Keith Moore. Back - Van Coday, Rance Veit, Kima Dennis, Derrick Neal, Gary Holmes, James Livingston, DeWayne Brimm, Kent Hedrick, Mindy Brazeal, Pat Levan, Misha Manely, Melissa Calhoun, Kathy Cook, Terri Cantrell, Deann Olive.





TOP: Library Club members. Front - Keith Moore (reporter), Gordon Edwards, (vice-president), Terry Allen, Stan Dennis (president), Susan Campe (secretary). Back - Cindy Bennett, Gary Holmes, Kent Hedrick, Joe Sherrill, Mary Van Eaton, Mark Quessenberry, Kellie Cunningham, DeWayne Brimm, Terri Cantrell, Patrick Groom, Shelly Clark, Bertha Stranghoner, Jim Storms, Tim Cantrell, Larry Stofer. ABOVE: Terry Cornelius, Bryan Matlock, Gary Dedmon, and Timmy Barnum select paperback books in the library.

## Book fair no sell out

Library Club's main project each year is sponsoring a book fair. Paperback books are displayed in the library and are available for purchase.

Because of lack of publicity, or lack of interest, the fair earned only \$25 for the group, which had planned to use the earnings for a spring trip.

Library Club is open to students with an interest in promoting libraries, and also those interested in library science as a profession. Each member must meet certain qualifications set forth in the club constitution and have the approval of high school librarian Patrick Groom, sponsor of the club.

Club members held a Christmas party in the library, exchanging gifts, and decorating a tree.



Being a pom pon girl requires membership in the Pep Club, but senior Laveta McAlister says that she would have been in the Pep Club anyway even if she hadn't made pom pon.

The reason for this is because Laveta enjoys going to watch the ballgames, and because she has the opportunity to meet people from other towns. She considers this the funnest thing about Pep Club.

The thing Laveta will probably remember most about her Pep Club days is the bus rides. She described them like this: "On the way up the bus is loud because everyone is practicing cheers, but on the way back it's dull because everyone is tired and sleepy."

"Pep Club keeps the boys going even if they're losing." Laveta stated as the reason why Pep Club is so important to the team. She enjoys yelling for the boys and wishes more people would. She said. "Some people are just in Pep Club for the picture in the annual. They should yell more at the games."

# **EVENTS TO REMEMBER**





## If you blink, you may miss 'em

Prom decorations. One minute you look around the room and see beautiful bows and baskets and frills. You blink, and suddenly the room has been stripped and looks like a horde of hungry locusts has just passed through.

If you look closely, you can see a wicker basket peeking out from under a discarded suit jacket. Is that fish net stuffed in that purse? Where on earth did they hide the anchors?

Some are very trusting. They leave their treasures out in plain sight on the now littered tables. Others walk around dazed for the rest of the evening, clutching two sea shells in one hand and a starfish in the other.

Most feel rather daring to have made off with those pieces of memories, so the veterans of several Proms don't burst their bubbles and tell them that is what the decorations are there for-to take, to cherish, to remember.

But this year, someone didn't just take, they gave. A close look at the couple pictured above might reveal a few facial features that weren't on the original models. It is amazing what a few pieces of chewing gum can do with the help of some imagination.







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## **El Leon Royalty**



Joe Magdziarz and Deann Olive



Photograph judging for 1981 El Leon King and Queen was done by the KY-3 Television News Team in Springfield. Contestants were, top left, seniors Deann Olive and Randy Adamson; top right, juniors Joe Magdziarz and Cindy Bennett; bottom left, sophomores Joe Sherrill and Reeda Rippee; and bottom right, freshmen Greg Kirkland and Jana Smith.

## Popularity

# Selection altered for annual contest

The past few years, all four high school classes have competed in the ten popularity contest categories which have been a tradition at MHS for many years.

This year, the selection method was altered so that only seniors were eligible to compete for the different honors.

After nominating several people for each category, the seniors voted. The results are featured on these pages.















OPPOSITE PAGE TOP RIGHT: Class Clowns-Michelle Giffin and Chris Jones. BOTTOM RIGHT: Neatest-Phillip Matney and Sandy Graham. TOP LEFT: Most Talented-Cheri Dennis and Bruce McCrite. BOTTOM LEFT: Most Athletic-Michele Von Behren and Aaron Stanifer. THIS PAGE TOP LEFT: Best All Around-Debra Herbst and Chris Jones. TOP RIGHT: Most School Spirit-Terry Stofer and Gayla McKeel. MIDDLE LEFT: Biggest Flirts-Terri Cantrell and Tim Ritter. MIDDLE RIGHT: Most Likely to Succeed-Sara Liles and Bruce McCrite. BOTTOM LEFT: Most Studious-Sara Liles, and Bruce McCrite. BOTTOM RIGHT: Cutest-Michelle Giffin and Doug Conley.



## Barnwarming











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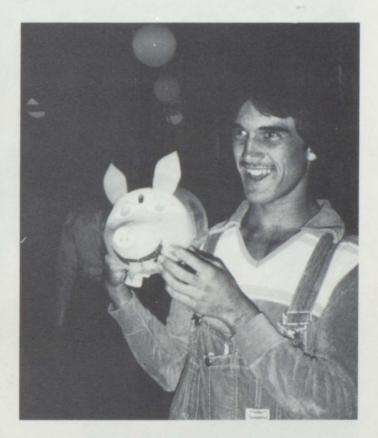
# Cider and hay signal festivities

"Bales of hay, apple cider, games, and lots of dancing make Barnwarming one of the favorite fall events at MHS.

Before Randy Adamson and Laveta McAlister were crowned Barnwarming King and Queen, there were plenty of contests for the candidates, including a race for the boys to see who could get a pair of pantyhose on first.

The king and queen candidates also formed teams to remove shaving cream from balloons with razor blades. Then the queen candidates had to peel and eat a boiled egg with one hand.

Barnwarming is sponsored jointly by FHA and FFA. The king and queen are chosen by the penny-a-vote system.



OPPOSITE PAGE TOP LEFT: Barnwarming Queen candidates Laveta McAlister and Cindy Bennett take a refreshment break. TOP RIGHT: Clockwise, from bottom — Kitty Conley and Brian Sly, Van Coday and Cindy Bennett, Laveta McAlister and Randy Adamson, Gwen Carter and Doug Stofer. BOTTOM LEFT: Sophomore candidates Doug Stofer and Gwen Carter. BOTTOM MIDDLE: Freshman candidate Kitty Conley. BOTTOM RIGHT: Junior candidates Van Coday and Cindy Bennett. THIS PAGE TOP LEFT: Barnwarming King and Queen Randy Adamson and Laveta McAlister. BOTTOM LEFT: Donnie Kelly and David Whiteley vote for the candidates. ABOVE: Randy Adamson displays his voting "jar".

## Miss Mansfield



Gwen Carter Miss Mansfield Missy Lair Junior Miss Mansfield Michelle Ballew Young Miss Mansfield



## Gwen Carter wins second title

Sophomore Gwen Carter has built up an impressive record in Miss Mansfield competition.

Two years ago she won the title of Miss Mansfield Junior. This year she was crowned Miss Mansfield.

Missy Lair was crowned 1981 Miss Manfield Junior, and the Young Miss Mansfield title went to Michelle Ballew.

The pageant is sponsored annually by FHA, and the out-of-town judges are interested in poise, posture, smiles, appearance, and attitude.

Each of the three divisions encompasses three grades. Young Miss Mansfield is open to grades 4, 5, and 6. Miss Mansfield Junior is for grades 7, 8, and 9, and Miss Mansfield contestants are from grades 10, 11, and 12.



TOP LEFT: Connie Brooke, first runner-up; Michelle Mitchell, third runner-up; Gwen Carter, Miss Mansfield; Lori Van Hook, second runner-up. BOTTOM LEFT: Theresa Keith, second runner-up; Missy Lair, Junior Miss Mansfield; Cissy Mitchell, third runner-up; Michelle Heredia, first runner-up. RIGHT: Cassy McGill, first runner-up; Stacey Moore, second runner-up; Michelle Ballew, Young Miss Mansfield; Stephanie Eidson, third runner-up.



## Graduation









THIS PAGE TOP: The graduating seniors sing the school song. BOTTOM LEFT: Sara Liles, valedictorian. BOTTOM MIDDLE: Terri Cantrell exchanges a hug with a fellow graduate. ABOVE: Gayla McKeel, salutatorian. OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: The senior sextet sings "Graduation Day." From left — Jill Worthington, Sandy Graham, Cheri Dennis, Lisa Green, Renee Smith, Sara Liles. MIDDLE: Ann Rummens and Sheila Lebahn congratulate each other. BOTTOM: Members of the 1981 graduating class.





#### Final ceremonies signal new beginning

The class motto says it all in just three words. "Finished, yet beginning."

Graduation ceremonies brought an end to one part of the lives of 57 people who had attended school at Mansfield for time periods ranging from one year to thirteen years. Yet at the same time, the graduates and their families and friends realized that it was also the beginning of another part of their lives.

Two girls earned the distinction of being the top students in the class. Sara Liles was the valedictorian, and Gayla McKeel was salutatorian.

Rev. Dick Bishop of the First Baptist Church delivered the baccalaureate message on Sunday, May 17. "My Tribute" was sung by Cheri Dennis and Bruce McCrite, and Sheila Lebahn read a poem.

Dr. Harold Haswell of Dallas, Texas gave the graduation address during the ceremonies held Monday, May 18. Jody Napier led the invocation and a welcome was given by class president Bruce McCrite.

A sextet consisting of Cheri Dennis, Lisa Green, Sandy Graham, Sara Liles, Renee Smith, and Jill Worthington sang "Graduation Day."

Principal Gene Garrison recognized scholarship winners and Superintendent Robert Perry presented the class to Board of Education President Joyce Vinson for their diplomas.

Following the singing of the school song by the graduates, Ann Rummens gave the benediction. Mrs. Debbie Arnall was pianist for both ceremonies.

The class sponsors were Glen Boyer, Reed Shaw, and Mrs. Judy Gold.

Other honor graduates were Sandy Graham, Lisa Helvey Green, Shelia Lebahn, Laveta McAlister, Jody Napier, Ann Rummens, Debi Smith, Aaron Stanifer, and Michele Von Behren.

The class colors were maroon and gold, and the class flower was the yellow rose.



## Homecoming





TOP LEFT: Michelle Mitchell is crowned by Homecoming Queen 1980, Debi Smith. TOP RIGHT: Aaron Stanifer holds the flowers while Michelle opens a package containing the bracelet from the Student Council. RIGHT: Aaron Stanifer and Will Jett charge through a paper wall to begin the varsity game.







OPPOSITE PAGE RIGHT: Flower girl Amy Compton, senior candidate Kim Moody, crown bearer Raymond Coombes, Queen Michelle Mitchell, sophomore candidate Sherry Akins, freshman candidate Kim Calhoun. THIS PAGE, TOP LEFT: Jacque Guccione and the lion mascot help lead the crowd in cheers. TOP RIGHT: Senior candidate Kim Moody and escort David Gray. BOTTOM LEFT: Freshman candidate Kim Calhoun and escort Terry Stofer. BOTTOM MIDDLE: Sophomore candidate Sherry Akins and escort Will Jett. BOTTOM RIGHT: Homecoming Queen Michelle Mitchell.



## Valentine Homecoming for MHS in '81

Homecoming is always a big event at Mansfield High School, and this year was no exception.

Junior Michelle Mitchell was crowned Homecoming Queen after the usual procession, introductions, and suspense.

Dressed in deep purple, Michelle was escorted by Aaron Stanifer, who gave her the traditional kiss after she had been crowned by the 1980 queen, Debi Smith. Michelle was given a bouquet of flowers and a bracelet from the Student Council.

Because of the proximity to Valentines Day, the Homecoming decorations were red and white, and the basketball boys, pompon girls, and cheerleaders took their places in a heart formation. The theme song was "Lady."

Following a trumpet solo of the "Star-Spangled Banner" by Michele Rummens, the queen was escorted to the stage where she watched the game and met with friends.

Then the Lions took to the court looking for a Homecoming victory, backed by wins in 1979 and 1980. Although they had a losing season, the Lions pulled together for a Homecoming victory, scoring a 59-49 win over the Cabool Bulldogs.

Stan Dennis led the team with 18 points, followed by Phillip Matney with 16 and Ronnie Barnum with 12. David Gray scored 8 points and Terry Allen scored 5.



#### Hawaiian atmosphere sets mood for Prom

In a room decorated with fish nets, starfish, sea shells, wicker baskets, and anchors, the Junior Class invited the Senior Class to "Come Sail Away."

The 1981 Prom was held at the Sheraton Inn in Springfield, and as the juniors and seniors arrived they were serenaded by soft Hawaiian music. Brightly colored leis were waiting at each table.

For most, anticipation of this evening had begun weeks before. There were shopping trips to pick out just the right dress, as well as time spent leafing through tuxedo rental books.

Then the anticipation came to an end and it was time for the reality.

After a welcome by Junior Class President Ronnie Barnum, a response by Senior Class President Bruce McCrite, and an invocation by Bill Cook, everyone feasted on a huge buffet dinner.

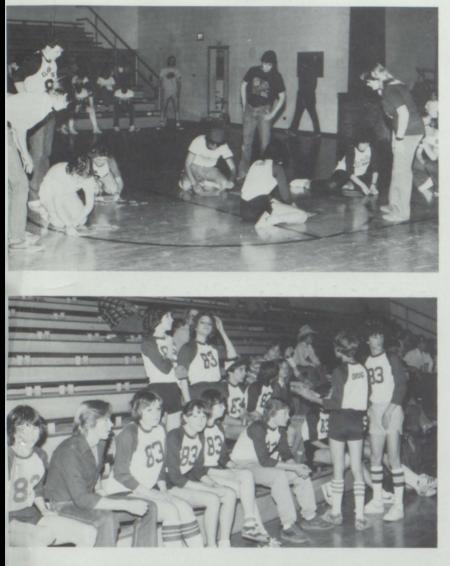
Following the meal, Linda Sowers, Michelle Mitchell, and Patty Calhoun presented the senior prophecy. The will was read by Bruce McCrite, Gayla McKeel, and Rhonda Dotson.

Randy Adamson and Jill Worthington were chosen Prom King and Queen by the votes of the Junior Class.

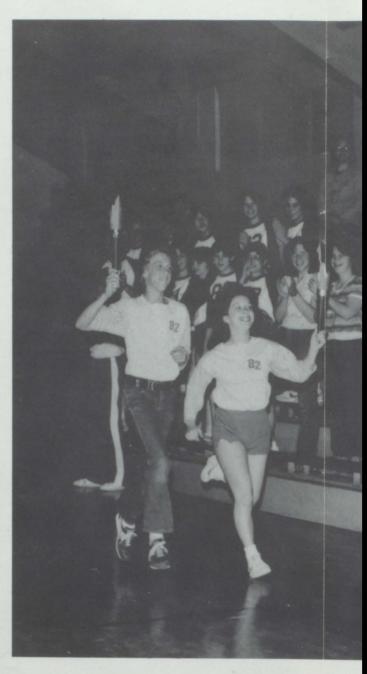
Dance music was provided by "Mirror." A new and popular feature was a slide show compiled and presented by Dave Moore of World Photography.



# Junior Olympics



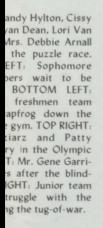






TOP LEFT: Sandy Hylton Mitchell, Bryan Dean, Lo Hook, and Mrs. Debbie compete in the puzzle MIDDLE LEFT: Soph team members wait introduced. BOTTOM Senior and freshmen members leapfrog dow length of the gym. TOP Joe Magdziarz and Calhoun carry in the O torches. LEFT: Mr. Gene son collapses after the fold race. RIGHT: Junio members struggle wit seniors during the tug-of















FAR LEFT TOP: Connie Brooke speeds through the leapfrog race for the juniors. TOP LEFT: Rance Veit steadies the rope in preparation for the tug-of-war. TOP MIDDLE: James Welch and Debbie Dering manuver during the blindfold race. TOP RIGHT: Senior team members display their excitement at winning the tug-of-war match. ABOVE: Seniors react emotionally to a victory in one of the events. RIGHT: Freshmen team members strain to win the tug-of-war. FAR RIGHT: Van Coday races to the finish line in the getting to school on time relay.









#### Something for everyone at Junior Olympics

#### It was quite a sight!

Teachers and students crawling on the gym floor, riding tricycles, and playing leapfrog.

It had to be the Junior Olympics. For the third year, teams from the four classes and the faculty competed in twelve races and relays ranging from silly to absurd.

In a hard fought battle, the host team - the Junior Class - won the event, with the senior team and the faculty team tied for second. The sophomores finished fourth and the freshmen placed last.

Fourteen members from each class had been picked by their class to participate.

The senior team was Michele VonBehren, Michelle Giffin, Debra Herbst, Ruth Watson, Jill Worthington, Debi Smith, Rhonda Dotson, Terry Stofer, David Gray, Phillip Matney, Aaron Stanifer, Randy Adamson, Will Jett, and Bryan Dean.

The Junior Class team members were Terry Allen, Ronnie Barnum, Van Coday, Scott Newton, Derrick Neal, Brad Hannaford, Stan Dennis, Debbie Pearson, Cindy Bennett, Connie Brooke, Kima Dennis, Jenny Holt, Sandy Hylton, and Patty Calhoun.

Team members for the sophomores were Kent Hedrick, Mike Dering, Joe Sherill, Donnie Dennis, Doug Stofer, Wayne Oliver, Mark Taylor, Sherry Akins, Lori Williams, Pat Levan, Lori Van Hook, Gwen Carter, Kellie Cunningham, and Jacque Guccione.

The freshman team consisted of Ronnie Rebura, Mike Pearson, James Welch, Jackie McCleary, Jeff Cornelius, Tim Cantrell, Butch Deal, Kitty Conley, Kim Calhoun, Cissy Mitchell, Paula Wingo, Jana Smith, Debbie Dering, and Jean Magdziarz.

The faculty team members were Mrs. Terry Spyres, Miss Dode Jordan, Mrs. Vi Obert, Mrs. Debbie Arnall, Eric Spyres, Mrs. Debbie Letsinger, Mrs. Terre Boyer, Glen Boyer, Bill Ghan, Gene Garrison, Doug Jones, and Robert Perry.

The emcee for the event was Michele Lansdown. Susan Campe was scorekeeper and the junior judges were Joe Magdziarz, Boyd Jordan, Sue France, DeWayne Brimm, Rance Veit, and Cindy Short.

Joe Magdziarz and Patty Calhoun carried in the Olympic torches to get the evening off to a proper start.

The Junior Olympics began in the 1979 school year as a way to help raise money for the Prom.





LEFT: Prom King and Queen Randy Adamson and Jill Worthington. TOP LEFT: Cheri Dennis, decked out in Hawaiian style. TOP MIDDLE: Senior boys attending Prom. Front - Jim Lansdown, Doug Conley, Carl Slate, Randy Adamson, Phillip Matney, Terry Stofer. Back - Tim Ritter, Milford Cook, Bryan Dean, John Bieze, Chris Jones, Bruce McCrite, Danny Jones, Kenny Dunbar, Randy Green, Joe Bennett, Will Jett. MIDDLE: Junior Class President Ronnie Barnum. LOWER MIDDLE: Senior girls attending Prom. Front - Renee Smith, Ruth Watson, Sara Liles, Laveta McAlister, Ann Rummens. Back - Lisa Moore, Debi Smith, Lisa McJunkins, Rhonda Dotson, Deann Olive, Terri Cantrell, Lisa Green, Jackie Burris, Gayla McKeel, Luci Storms, Jody Napier. ABOVE: Michelle Mitchell, Patty Calhoun, and Linda Sowers read the senior prophecy.













### Prom





OPPOSITE PAGE TOP RIGHT: Pam Kirby and Candy Cummins enter with their dates. MIDDLE RIGHT: Mike Day and Ann Rummens. LEFT: Prom goers dance to music by Mirror. THIS PAGE TOP: Brothers Bill and Randy Green provide seats for Kellie Cunningham and Lisa Green. ABOVE: Sandy Hylton and date John Campbell.





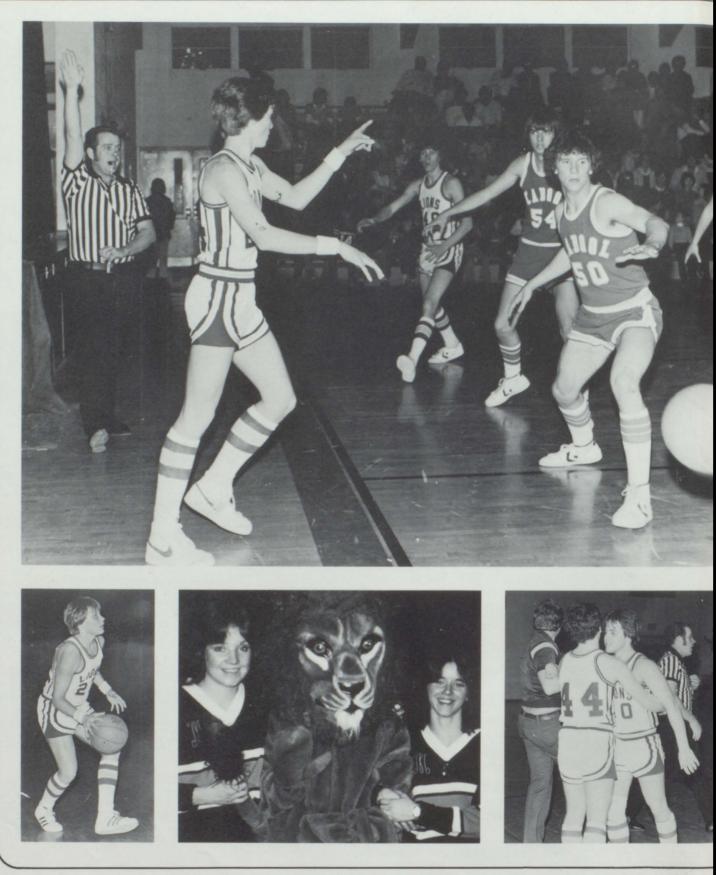


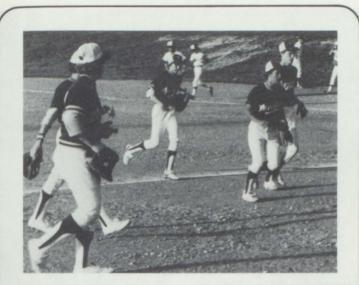
TOP: Susan Campe hands out white silk carnations. MIDDLE: Terry and Eric Spyres toast the occasion. BOTTOM: Senior girls at Prom. Front - Janie Barlett, Cheri Dennis, Tresa Skyles, Pam Kirby, Susan Branstetter. Back - Karen Kuhn, Kim Moody, Sandy Graham, Michelle Giffin, Michele Von Behren, Terri Cantrell, Jill Worthington, Debra Herbst.



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#### Baseball rates with twenty straight

So many exciting games! When a baseball team compiles a 20-2 record, there is suspense and nail-biting galore.

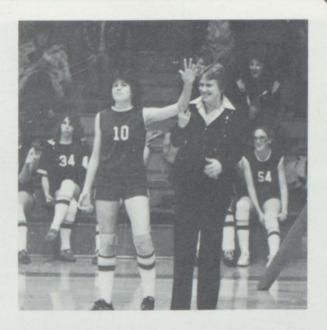
One of the most exciting games was played on a muddy, rainy, cloudy day in April against one of the toughest teams in this part of Missouri — the Mtn. Grove Panthers.

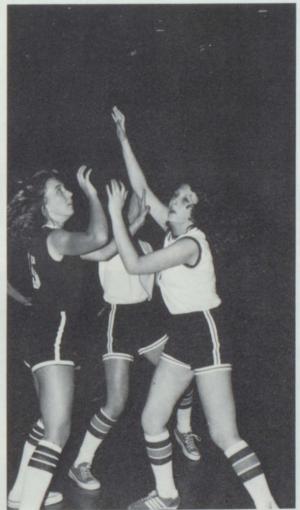
Things looked bad when Mtn. Grove started off with men on second and third. But with two outs, the fifth batter hit a line shot to third baseman Van Coday who gloved it with no problem. The Panthers

retired the Lions in the first and second innings, but in the third inning the Lions collected three singles. A lead-off hit by Van Coday was followed by a single by Stan Dennis which moved Coday to second. After Coday was thrown out at third, Bryan Dean punched a single to left field to drive in Dennis to give Mansfield a one run lead.

Mansfield went on to score two more runs in the fourth and fifth innings and hold the Panthers to just two runs.

The defense was superb as the Lions turned two dramatic double plays with men on second and third and had no errors.

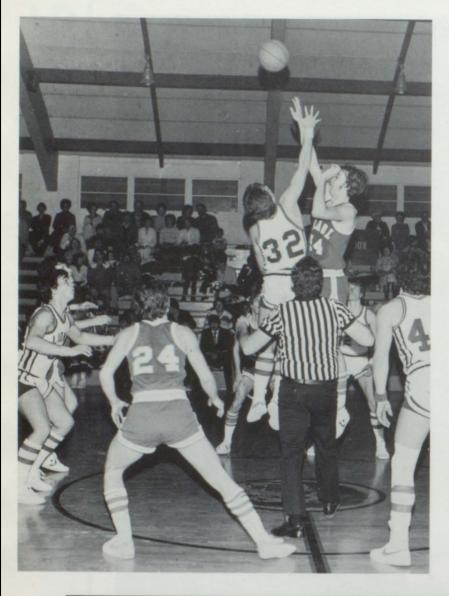




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# Varsity Basketball



# Disappointing year for basketball fans

It was a disappointing year for fans and players alike. Mansfield has been called a "basketball town", but this year the basketball pickin's were pretty slim.

The varsity basketball team finished the season with a record of 8-15, the worst record anyone can remember.

There were many contributing factors, and one might have been injuries.

During Terry Stofer's junior year, he piled up 201 points and yanked down 126 rebounds. But after undergoing knee surgery in the fall, Terry was declared out for the season.

However, the Lions had two players making All-Conference teams, juniors Stan Dennis the first, and Ronnie Barnum the second.

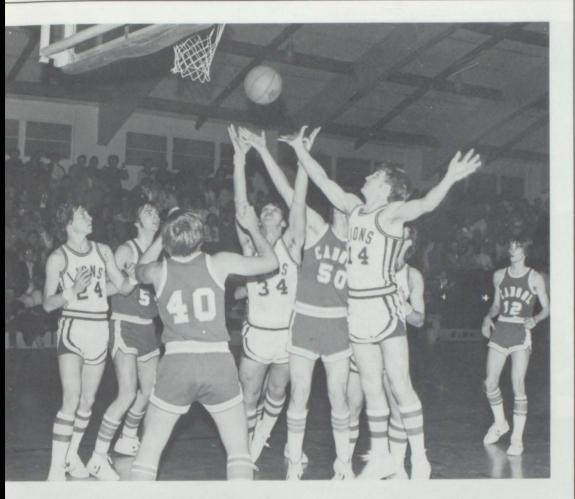
Stan was the first player chosen to the Conference team. He scored 429 points and had eleven 20 or more point games. with a free throw percentage of .80, which was ninth best in the state.

Ronnie was one of Mansfield's big men inside as he had enough rebounds to give him the rebounding trophy for MHS.

The Lion's season ended on February 25 when they fell to the Pleasant Hope Pirates in the opening round of the regional tournament 61-52.

Despite the poor season record, the Lions brought home the third place trophy in the Willow Springs Round-Robin Tournament and took fourth place in the 44th annual Mansfield Tournament.

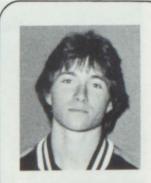






OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Ronnie Barnum reaches for the tip-off. BOTTOM: Varsity basketball team members. Front - Coach Randy Short, Aaron Stanifer, Derrick Neal, Coach Doug Jones. Back - Larry Stofer, Ted Stranghoner, Rance Veit, Will Jett, Stan Dennis, Phillip Matney, Terry Allen, Bill Cook, David Gray, Rick Rebura, Ronnie Barnum, Terry Stofer, Joe Magdziarz. THIS PAGE TOP: MHS team members struggle for a rebound against Cabool. ABOVE: A Hartville player tries to shoot over the Lion defense.

us		THEM
48	Mtn Grove	55
75	Niangua	76
69	Gainesville	49
41	Hartville	76
70	Mtn. Grove	77
72	Seymour	55
50	Conway	52
38	Greenwood	55
59	Houston	70
60	Willow Springs	82
60	Sparta	48
54	Hartville	59
61	Willow Springs	83
62	Licking	74
66	Cabool	61
67	Fordland	59
56	Gainesville	44
65	Conway	78
65	Hartville	86
68	Seymour	47
59	Cabool	49
48	Ava	56
33	Pleasant Hope	41
8	TOTAL	15



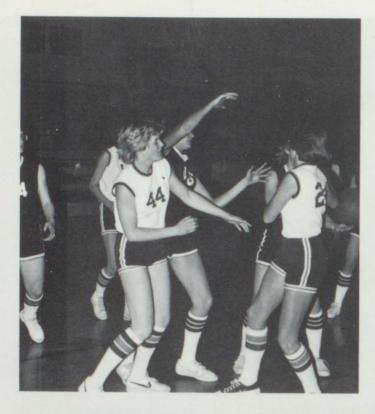
The varsity basketball team has relied heavily upon 6'1" junior guard Stan Dennis, and with an impressive scoring average of 18.65 points a game, it's easy to see why. Basketball has been

Stan's favorite sport for years. He started to show an interest in it when he was eight years old and several older boys encouraged him to play basketball with them.

Stan is known in the area for his lightening quick action and accurate shooting. Besides his double-digit scoring average, his excellent performance earned him a spot on the All Conference First-Team this year. Stan thinks he was lucky to make the team because there were many in the area who deserved it and didn't get it. And about that average, one of the highest around, Stan said, "It makes you feel good if you score that much nearly every game, but it's no good if you don't win.

But why basketball? "I've just always been interested in basketball well, just sports period." he said. "I like a fastaction game. I get bored with golf and stuff like that."

# Girls Basketball



#### Some bright spots, despite gloomy season

The girls' basketball team finished the season with a 5-12 season, but not without accumulating a few bright spots along the way.

One of the brightest was Michele Von Behren. Michele, a senior, was selected to be on the All-Conference First Team. She piled up 242 points in a total of 16 games. With an average of 15.12 per game. Michele was in the top 50 in scoring in the state of Missouri.

Seniors Michelle Giffin and Deann Olive were chosen to be on the All-Conference Second Team, combining for a total of 127 points in 16 games.

One of the not-so-bright spots in 1980 was the injury of Debra Herbst. Debra broke a bone in her right ankle and the doctor restricted her from all sports for the rest of the year. However, Debra had the best rebounding percentage of the team as she yanked down 40 rebounds in four games for an average of 10 per game.







OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: MHS team members scramble for a rebound. BOTTOM: Varsity basketball team members. Front-Deann Olive, Michelle Giffin, Lori Williams. Back-Coach Dode Jordan, Patty Calhoun, Ruth Watson, Michele Von Behren, Debra Herbst, Kaylene Branstetter, Jenny Holt, Terri Cantrell, Laveta McAlister, Gayla McKeel. THIS PAGE TOP: Front-Vickie Smith, Becky Wilder. Back-Patty Calhoun, Coach Dode Jordan, Teresa Grutel, Kim Calhoun, Katie Tarrant, Gwen Carter, Missy Clark, Jana Smith, Paula Wingo, Terri Cantrell, Laveta McAlister, Gayla McKeel. MIDDLE RIGHT: Michele Von Behren gets ready to grab a rebound. ABOVE: Both teams try for a loose ball.



us		THEM
44	Conway	49
52	Hartville	29
29	Gainesville	40
43	Marshfield	51
45	Hartville	34
30	Strafford	36
26	Conway	34
34	Ava	63
45	Hartville	27
42	Conway	51
35	Seymour	40
29	Fordland	26
31	Mtn. Grove	71
24	Hartville	25
38	Seymour	47
37	Fordland	29
32	Seymour	39
5	Total	12



For four years, the Lion's girls' basketball team has been led by forward starter Michele Von Behren.

Michele ended the 80-81 season with a total of 242 points in 16 games. She was chosen to be

on the All-Conference First Team, which could partly be credited to her 15.1 average per game.

Michele attributes her success to the coaching staff which she's had in the past, and also to her brother Jim who started her out by teaching her the basics.

Michele had a freethrow percentage of 64.70 and averaged 8.57 rebounds per game.

Coach Dode Jordan considered Michele as a great player. "I think the school should be proud of Michele for being one of the leading scorers in the state of Missouri," Coach Jordan said.

Michele's highest scoring game was played against the Hartville Eagles when she pumped in 23 points for the Lions.

As a junior, Michele averaged 13 points per game, scoring 220 points for the year.

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# **Cheer** Groups

#### No sidelines for these girls

Not content to just cheer others on, the MHS cheerleaders and pompon girls got into action by taking on the chorus girls in a powder puff football game.

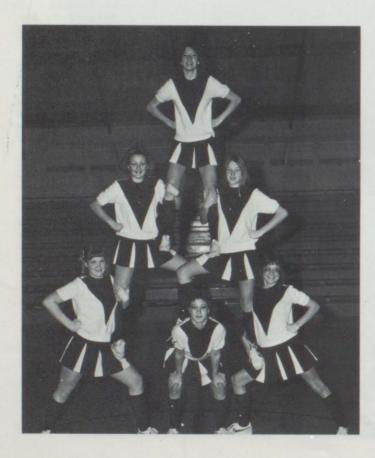
The game, played in early fall, was a fund raiser to help pay for choir robes. The final score was 30-6 in favor of the cheerleaders and pompon girls.

The cheergroups also donated their time to renovate the area under the west bleachers in the gymnasium. The room, which previously was a storage area, now has a new paint job, carpet, mirrors, and a mural of a lion. The room was christened the Lion's Den and is now being used as a dressing room for girl athletes.

The varsity cheerleaders conducted a pop bottle drive and worked at a horse show gate in order to raise money for summer camp.

The junior varsity cheerleaders earned their uniform funds by selling Halloween insurance to local merchants and homeowners.

The pompon girls raffled off a quilt to earn money. They reached the goal of performing a new routine at each home ballgame.







LEFT: Junior varsity cheerleaders. Front-Missy Clark, Jacque Guccione, Sherry Akins. Top-Cissy Mitchell, Lori Van Hook, Paula Wingo. TOP RIGHT: A Homecoming cheer is performed by the varsity cheerleading squad. ABOVE: Both cheerleading teams combine for a chant during a pep rally. RIGHT: The Lion mascot is assisted by a fan from the crowd.









TOP LEFT: Pom pon team members. Jackie Burris, Ann Rummens, Rhonda Dotson, Laveta McAlister, Gayla McKeel, Sara Liles, Gwen Carter, Pam Kirby, Kim Calhoun, Michelle Giffin, Cheri Dennis. MIDDLE LEFT: The pom pon girls perform a special routine for the Homecoming game. ABOVE: Varsity cheerleaders. Front-Michelle Mitchell, Diana White, Sandy Graham. From top-Kim Moody, Connie Brooke, Jill Worthington.



When asked to think of an MHS pom pon girl, the first name that comes to mind is usually Gayla McKeel.

Gayla has been a pom pon girl all four years of high school. Last year she attended pom pon camp at Marshall, Missouri with two other pom pon girls (Laveta McAlister and Sara Liles), where they were awarded a spirit stick and several ribbons. She attended nearly every practice in those four years and was present for every performance.

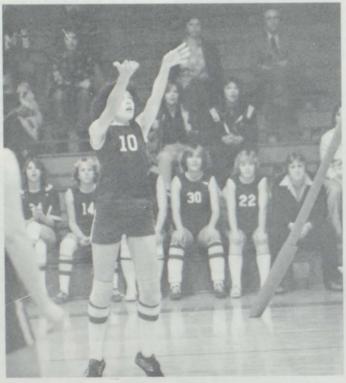
"Practices are boring and frustrating," Gayla said, "but you learn a lot — you get a lot done. Sometimes you don't feel like doing anything, but the performances are always a success!"

As to performances, Gayla says they were scary for her even during her fourth year, because "everyone is watching. But you forget about it when you do the routine you've practiced." she stated.

Camp was very helpful for her, and she thinks that all of next year's squad should be required to go.

# Volleyball and Softball





#### Many games lost, but enthusiasm high

The volleyball team ended the season with a record of 3-8, losing in the first round of the district tournament, held at Mansfield. The loss was to Laquay, with the scores being 15-12, 15-4.

Throughout the season, junior Jenny Holt led the Lions with 60 points in 7 games. She was the high point person seven times.

Coach Dode Jordan would liked to have won a few more games, but was happy with the girls' performance throughout the season. "The girls seemed to be really enthusiastic and they didn't let down easy," she said.

The Lions will have only two returning lettermen in 1981-1982. Nine players graduated; the two that are coming back are Jenny Holt and Patty Calhoun, both varsity starters.

Coach Jordan also liked the way the team worked together. "They worked together great and they got along well. They were learning to attack better during each game, but they just kept coming up on the short end of the stick," she said.



us	VOLLEYBALL	THEM
16-14	Willow Springs	15- 6,15-10
	Chadwick	15- 5,15- 7
15-11	Seymour	15- 8,15- 8
17-15	Mtn. Grove	15-11,15-11
15- 5.15- 7	Conway	
15- 7.15- 9	Fordland	15-2
	Seymour	15- 7,15- 0
	Cabool	15-10,15- 3
15- 3.15-13	Conway	
	Ava	16- 4,15-12
9 Wins	Totals	15 Losses

us	SOFTBALL	THEM
2	Seymour	15
15	Fordland	14
19	Norwood	5
9	Conway	5
12	Conway	20
7	Hartville	8
8	Hartville	12
4	Seymour	16
6	Gainesville	14
13	Niangua	14
5	Fair Grove	16
3 Wins	Totals	8 Losses





#### Softball team rolls, then loses momentum

The softball team started off great with a record of 3-1, but from then on it went down hill.

Of course they had some close games, but they never completely regained the momentum as they ended the season with a losing record of 3-8.

When looking at the team batting averages it would be possible to think that the team was undefeated. Michelle Giffin led the team with an unbelievable .771. Following close behind was Terri Cantrell with .737. There was a total of eight players whose averages were over .400.

The Lion's pitcher, Jenny Holt, had a record of 3-8 after a loss in the first round of the District Tournament. The loss was to Fair Grove by the score of 16-5.

The Lions played their best against the Niangua Cardinals by smashing out 30 hits. However, they still came up short 14-13. Three players each had five hits in that game. They were seniors Ruth Watson, Laveta McAlister, and Gayla McKeel.



OPPOSITE PAGE TOP RIGHT: Volleyball team. Front-Shelia Lebahn, Laveta McAlister, Gayla McKeel, Patty Calhoun. Back-Coach Dode Jordan, Jill Worthington, Sue France, Jenny Holt, Debra Herbst, Michelle Giffin, Becky Wilder, Terri Cantrell, Michele Von Behren. MIDDLE RIGHT: Michelle Giffin returns a serve. MIDDLE LEFT: Mansfield team members plan strategy during a time out. LEFT: Team members congratulate each other after scoring a point. THIS PAGE TOP: Jenny Holt connects with a pitch. ABOVE: Softball team. Front-Coach Dode Jordan, Tanya Hobson, Debi Smith, Laveta McAlister, Lori Williams, Ruth Watson, Shelia Lebahn, Rhonda Dotson, Back-Melinda Coffman, Michelle Giffin, Terri Cantrell, Jenny Holt, Jacqulyn Taylor, Paula Wingo.



As one of the most athletic of all the sophomores, Lori Williams has been active in softball and basketball for the past two years. Softball is her main interest, though, and she enjoys it a lot.

Lori has been catcher for the softball team for the past two years. She likes softball because "

... it is a challenge, and because you get a chance to show your skills against other schools." She feels that the best game the team had this year was against the Niangua Cardinals. The girls lost by one point, 14-13, but Lori says this was the game that was their best show of teamwork.

"The biggest problem with the togetherness of a softball team is that if one team member is down, everybody's down," Lori stated.

Lori says that the best part of softball is working with all her friends as a team. She says that she likes playing the position of catcher best because, "You get the excitement of trying to beat out the runner going to second. It's a very exciting position."

# **Baseball and Track**

# Team undefeated for twenty games

Nineteen eighty-one started off to be the year of the Lions in baseball, as MHS raced through twenty games without defeat.

The team ended the season with a 20-2 record, with the two losses coming at the very end of the season. One of the defeats was a heart-breaking one run loss to Plato in the first round of the regional tournament.

Stan Dennis and Aaron Stanifer led the team with batting averages of .517 and .424 respectively.

Dennis also led the team in triples with five, and tied with Terry Stofer for the lead in doubles with four.

Stofer was the RBI (runs batted in) leader with a total of 19 runs batted in, with Stanifer close behind with 13. Randy Adamson was the stolen base leader with a total of 19 steals.

The team as a whole batted .340, with a total of 88 runs batted in, 245 hits, 10 home runs, and 96 stolen bases.

The pitching staff of Dennis, Stanifer, and Phillip Matney showed great consistency by striking out 85 batters, giving up only 68 hits and combining for an ERA (earned run average) of less than 2.50.

Most of the players credited their success to the coaching staff. "I feel the coaching really kept us all together and got us up for most of the games." stated Stan Dennis.

David Gray felt that the coaching staff was a major asset to the team, along with a strong defense and a line-up that showed strength all the way through.



us		THEM	7	Fordland	4
			22	Norwood	10
10	Norwood	1	3	Conway	0
9	Seymour	6	21	Conway	3
5	Niangua	4	12	Hartville	1
7	Hartville	6	3	Mtn. Grove	2
5	Seymour	2	7	Hartville	4
9	Conway	2	7	Seymour	0
7	Hartville	ĩ	16	Ava	5
14	Conway	ò	5	Niangua	14
5	Niangua	2	3	Plato	4
7	Houston	2			
12	Seymour	3	20	Totals	2



#### Several excel on track teams

There was a sport at MHS that was supposed to go far this year, and in some aspects it did.

The cross country and track teams both had teams and runners that were good enough to go on to state competition.

In cross country, Mike Dering finished first, second, or third in seven out of the ten meets he ran in. He received a medal in every medal meet in which he participated.

Mike finished third in the 1A-3A District-7 meet, and then raced against the 152 best runners in the state of Missouri, finishing eighty-fifth.

In track, there were several outstanding runners. Kent Hedrick broke a school record when he ran the 100 yard dash in 10.76 seconds.

Larry Stofer has been the strongest hurdler for Mansfield in past years and is still getting good finishes.

Will Jett also was a big part of the team as he competed in a number of events, including the high jump, 100 yard dash, 220 yard dash, and the 440 relay. Will came within less than one second of beating the school record that Kent Hedrick set in the 100 yard dash with a time of 10.84.

The Lions 440 yard relay team composed of Ronnie Barnum, Will Jett, Kent Hedrick, and Brad Hannaford was also very successful, bringing home four medals.



OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Van Coday bats for Mansfield. BOTTOM: Baseball team. Front- Mark Cruze, Mark Euler, Tim Cantrell, Jackie McCleary, Bub Morris, Greg Kirkland, Garland Dotson, Coach Doug Jones, Row two- Stan Dennis, Van Coday, Joe Magdziarz, Ted Stranghoner, Larry Stofer, Bill Cook, Joe Sherrill, Doug Stofer, Derrick Neal. Back-David Gray, Phillip Matney, Randy Adamson, Bryan Dean, Aaron Stanifer, Will Jett. THIS PAGE TOP: Mike Dering finishes first in a cross-country meet held at Mansfield. ABOVE: Track and cross-country teams. Front-Bill Cook, Ronnie Barnum, Bruce McCrite, Rick Rebura, Darin Martin, Terry Allen, Keith Moore, Mike Dering, Brad Hannaford, Coach Max Greene. Row Two-David Cowell, James Livingston, Debbie Dering, Cissy Mitchell, Jana Smith, Sherry Akins, Boyd Jordan, Kevin Cook, Jim Storms. Back-Donnie Kelley, Kent Hendrick, Joe Sherrill, Donnie Dennis, Mark Taylor, Joel Smith.





David Gray, the Lion's first baseman, was disappointed about the one-run loss to Plato in the first round of the regionals, but he said it was great to be on a winning team.

David has played baseball with the Lions for three years. The most disappointing thing about the Plato loss was not only that it was the last game of the season, but it was also the last game he would ever play on the team again.

David showed great consistency with the bat. He was batting over .700 at the start of the season, and continued through the year as a power for Mansfield.

David's best game ever was one against Conway when he busted a triple, a homerun and a grandslam all in one game.

David led the Lions in singles with 12, and he had a combined batting average (spring and fall) of .387, which was third best on the team.

David would have liked to play in the state finals, but the game that would have taken them there "just wasn't one of our best games," he said.

## Basketball

#### Seventh grade shines, others lack polish

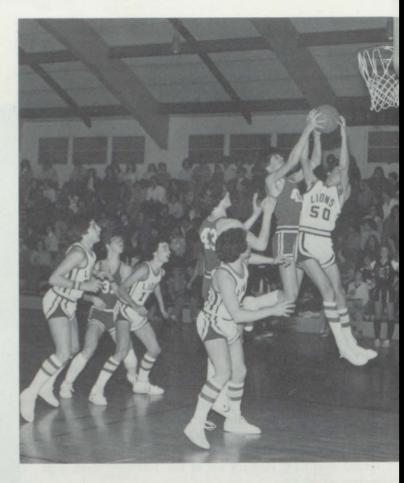
The seventh grade Lions completed the best season in several years, earning a 7-1 record. Their only loss was to Hartville by one point. Nick Zorsch and Danny Hylton, with more than three-fourths of the team's points, led the team to a winning season.

Don Brennan and Steve Starrett were the consistently high scorers of the eighth grade. They led their team to a 5-5 record and a second place trophy in the Summit Conference Tournament.

The freshman team lacked the ability to prove themselves when it counted, and that handicap showed in their 0-5 losing record.

The B Team gave their opponents good competition, but couldn't keep the momentum rolling through the whole game. However, they did manage 5 wins against 10 losses.

The Junior High Cheerleaders had a rough 80-81 season, for they not only cheered for the seventh, eighth, and ninth grade basketball teams, but they also cheered for the girls' varsity and junior varsity basketball teams.





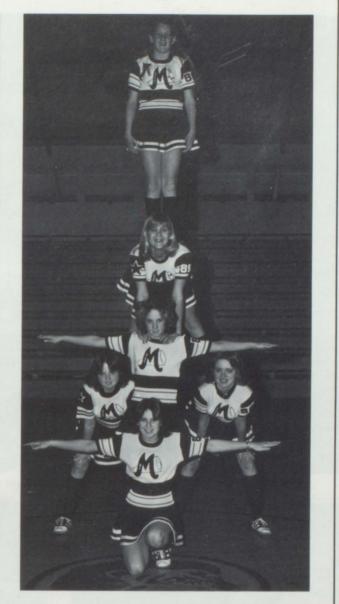


	Seventh Grade	
Us	Opponent	Them
51	Fordland	23
62	Conway	8
42	Hartville	35
69	Seymour	12
27	Hartville	28
21	Ava	17
40	Conway	16
50	Seymour	21
7	Total	

	Eighth Grade	
Us	Opponent	Them
23	Fordland	32
36	Conway	21
24	Hartville	42
38	Seymour	33
15	Hartville	30
16	Ava	21
25	Conway	24
34	Seymour	30
35	Hartville	42
38	Seymour	31
5	Total	5

	Ninth Grade	
Us	Opponent	Them
20	Ava	38
30	Conway	36
31	Conway	47
23	Fordland	40
29	Fordland	43
0	Total	5

	B Team	
Us	Opponent	Them
21	Mtn. Grove	52
43	Niangua	35
28	Seymour	38
30	Conway	35
28	Houston	30
31	Willow Springs	74
21	Sparta	39
31	Hartville	30
26	Fordland	24
58	Gainsville	57
51	Conway	78
34	Hartville	48
31	Cabool	48
34	Ava	37
5	Total	10



OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP: Junior varsity team member Kent Hedrick battles for a rebound. Other team members are Joe Sherrill, Donnie Dennis, and Derrick Neal. MIDDLE LEFT: Seventh grade team. Front - Miles Matlock, Shannon Watterson. Middle - Monte Tarrant. Back - Brett Dennis, Matt Gittings, Nick Zorsch, Danny Hylton, Michael Heredia, Coach Max Greene. MIDDLE RIGHT: Eighth grade team. Front -Bryon Matlock, Don Brennan, Gary Dedmon, Bobby Wood, Eric McCrite. Back - Brad Dotson, Steve Starrett, Timmy Barnum, Dennis Dedmon, Mike Henry, Joe Drinnon, Mike Ballard, John Magdziarz, Coach Max Greene. BOTTOM LEFT: Junior varsity team. Front - Boyd Jordan, Tim Cantrell, Donnie Dennis, Mark Euler, Joe Sherrill. Middle - Bobby Stofer, Ronnie Rebura, Jackie McCleary. Back - Joe Magdziarz, Larry Stofer, Ted Stranghoner, Butch Deal, Rick Rebura, Bill Cook, Kent Hedrick, James Livingston, Derrick Neal, Coach Randy Short, Coach Doug Jones. BOTTOM RIGHT: Freshman team. Front - Mark Euler, Tim Cantrell, Frank Dunbar, Garland Dotson. Back - Coach Max Greene, Alan Morris, Ronnie Rebura, Butch Deal, Bobby Stofer, Greg Kirkland, Terri Cantrell. ABOVE: Junior high cheerleaders. From bottom, Vi Lyons, Becky Stofer, Teresa Keith, Missy Lair, Stacy Bruce, Kelly Hensy.



The Mansfield Lions junior varsity basketball team got lots of help this year from a 6'0" 140 pound sophomore named Kent Hedrick.

Basketball is not a new sport for Kent, because he has played basketball ever since the fourth grade when he participated in the "pee wee" program at Mansfield.

Kent had a 50 percent freethrow shooting record, averaging 4.3 points per game. He managed to throw in 48 free shot points in 11 games for the Lions.

If there is an area that Kent excels in, it is rebounding. He led the B Team with 67 rebounds in the 1980-81 season.

The most exciting game in Kent's career was during his freshman year when he scored 17 points in one game, including a bucket at the buzzer to win the first game of the season for his team.

Looking into the future. Kent would like to start on the varsity team his senior year and hopes to average 20 points per game that year. He feels that having a solid background of B Team ball will help make that come true.

# ACADEMICS





#### Want a class, get in line

Why not try something different? Instead of the old method of pre-registration which simply involved filling out a card with the appropriate classes, MHS students were introduced to a new method.

The Thursday before Easter break, the four high school classes of 1982 met in the gym after roll call. (Seniors got to go to the ballfield for a marathon softball game.)

Back in the gym tables were set up to represent each academic department. Ten mothers manned the tables to help teachers keep track of all the students signing up for classes. This registration, similar to the college type, had a little confusion built in, especially when periodic announcements were made about classes that had reached the enrollment limit and were being closed.

Each announcement of that type sent students scurrying back to the bleachers to try and decipher the schedule and find another course to replace the one that was closed. Pictured above are

Ronnie Barnum, DeWayne Brimm, and Joe Allmon. They are signing up for classes at the table housing art and language arts.





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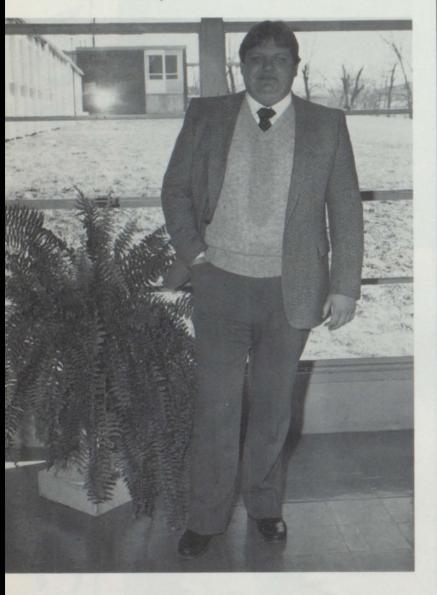
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#### Perry completes year as superintendent

Superintendent of Schools Mr. Robert Perry completed his third year in the Mansfield School system. Mr. Perry had been the secondary principal the previous two years. He received his masters degree from Northeast Missouri College and had previously held positions at Hurley and Keytesville.

This was Mr. Gene Garrison's first year at Mansfield. The secondary principal received his masters degree at Southwest Missouri State University and is presently working on his specialists degree at SMSU.

Mr. Darrell Lindsey, elementary principal for seven years, received his masters degree at Central State University and his specialist degree at Southwest Missouri State University.



ABOVE: Mr. Robert Perry, Superintendent of Schools. TOP RIGHT: School board members Mr. Jim Evans and Mr. Johnny Watterson. TOP MIDDLE RIGHT: Mrs. Vicki Owens, elementary secretary. BOTTOM MIDDLE RIGHT: School board members Mrs. Joyce Vinson, Mr. Kay Dennis, Mr. Bill Brazeal, and Mr. Jerry Branstetter. BOTTOM RIGHT: Mrs. Ruby Johns, secretary to the superintendent.















LEFT: Mr. Darrell Lindsey, elementary principal.



FAR LEFT: Mrs. Cleo Chambers, high school secretary. LEFT: Mrs. Debbie Letsinger, junior high secretary. ABOVE: Mr. Gene Garrison, secondary principal.



# German and drama strengthen department

The language arts department has been expanded and strengthened the last few years by the addition of classes such as German and drama.

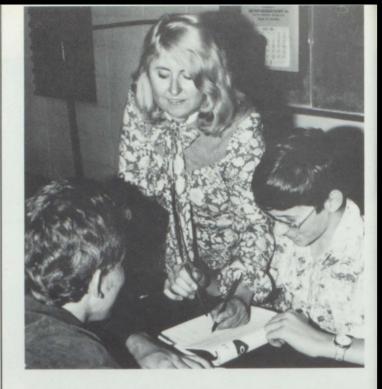
Mrs. Dorris Sheets, who spent most of her day as elementary librarian, had her German II students use practical German in real life situations, and also initiated a pen pal correspondence with students in Germany, France, and other countries. Mrs. Sheets was German Club sponsor.

Drama students. taught by Mrs. Terry Spyres, entertained other classes with one act plays performed during their class hour. Mrs. Spyres, Speech and Drama Club sponsor, also entered several students in area speech tournaments.

Mrs. Linda Davis served as sponsor of the newly organized Future Teachers of America Club. She also accompanied MHS students to the conference English Contest. Michele Lansdown brought home the trophy in composition. Glenn Dasmalchi got a first place in composition, and DeWayne Brimm, Shelli Top, and Steven Day got first places in spelling.

Mrs. Lelia Perkins sponsored the seventh grade, and along with Mrs. Carol Garrison, took them on a roller skating trip at the end of the year.

College Preparatory English	Mrs. Linda Davis
Drama	Mrs. Terry Spyres
English-Eighth grade	Mrs. Lelia Perkins
English-Seventh grade	Mrs. Lelia Perkins
English I	Mrs. Linda Davis
English II	Mrs. Linda Davis
German I	Mrs. Dorris Sheets
German II	Mrs. Dorris Sheets
Literature	Mrs. Lelia Perkins
Novels	Mrs. Debbie Arnall
Reading	Mrs. Debbie Arnall
School Publications 1	Mrs. Debbie Arnall
School Publications II	Mrs. Debbie Arnall
Speech	Mrs. Terry Spyres
Vocational English	Mrs. Linda Davis
Word Study	Mrs. Debbie Arnall



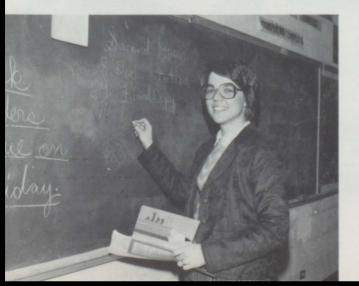




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**OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Mrs. Dorris Sheets** works with German I students. MIDDLE: College preparatory English student Kim Moody prepares to ask a question. BOTTOM: Carla Stanifer, Mike Ballard, and Roger Turner look up information for their eighth grade English class. THIS PAGE TOP: Drama students act out a scene. From left, Bruce McCrite, Sara Liles, Sheila Lebahn, Joe Magdziarz, Debbie Mahaffey, Kevin Cook, DeWayne Brimm, and Debbie Pearson. MIDDLE LEFT: Mrs. Terry Spyres directs drama students Debbie Pearson and Joe Magdziarz. MIDDLE RIGHT: Mrs. Leila Perkins. LEFT: Mrs. Linda Davis.



Mansfield High School saw sophomore Glenn Dasmalchi progress to the nationals in the American Legion sponsored oratorical contest.

Glenn decided to enter the contest when encouraged by Gene Cravens, his agricultural instructor. Mr. Cravens found out about the contest through Mrs. Terry Spyres, speech and drama teacher.

Glenn won the school, county, district, and zone contests. The zone level consisted of the entire Southwest Missouri area.

Glenn moved on to the state level at Jefferson City where he qualified for the nationals to be held at El Reno, Oklahoma by winning first place.

At the nationals he finished second in the first round and came back to a proud school.

He won a \$400 scholarship at the state contest and a \$500 scholarship at the national contest.

Glenn is glad he entered all those contests, for he feels they gave him valuable experience. "It improved my knowledge of the U.S. Constitution, and it gave me a chance to travel and meet a lot of new people," he said.

#### Zoology students try hand at dissecting

Human anatomy and microbiology were added to the science curriculum, and both were taught by Mr. Glen Boyer.

Anatomy students spent the first half of the year studying zoology, and they were among the first MHS students to try their skill at dissecting cats. The second semester was spent learning the inner-workings of the human system.

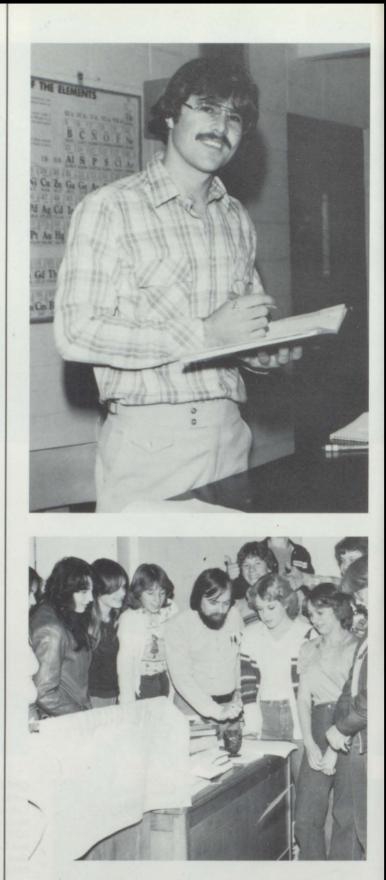
Working with slides occupied most of the class time for Mr. Boyer's microbiology students.

Science students in Mr. Boyer's classes made thirty-one projects in the areas of physics, medicine and health. chemistry, biochemistry, botany, zoology, engineering, human behavior, and microbiology. The projects were entered in the conference Science Fair and the South Central Missouri Science Fair at Rolla.

Mr. Boyer was the Science Club and Senior Class sponsor.

Special projects for Mr. Doug Jones' junior high science classes included studying weather devices and making posters. Mr. Jones was also assistant basketball and baseball coach.

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otany	Mr. Glen Boyer
Chemistry	Mr. Roy Gold
Conservation	Mr. Glen Boyer
General Biology	Mr. Glen Boyer
Microbiology	Mr. Glen Boyer
Physical Science 1	Mr. Doug Jones
	Mr. Roy Gold
Science-Eighth grade	Mr. Doug Jones
Science-Seventh grade	Mr. Doug Jones
Zoology	Mr. Glen Boyer



THIS PAGE TOP: Mr. Doug Jones. BOTTOM: Mr. Roy Gold performs an experiment for his physical science class. OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Mr. Glen Boyer gives his zoology students a few pointers on dissecting a cat. BOTTOM LEFT: Mr. Glen Boyer. BOTTOM RIGHT: A junior high science student gets a question ready for Mr. Doug Jones.

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Working with animals and dissecting them is one reason why senior Debi Smith decided to take a biology class.

Debi said that she likes to take science classes for fun and that she likes to dissect. To Debi, her Biology I class was easy "sometimes." The lowest grade she made in the class was an S, and she managed to make the highest grade in the entire class for all four quarters. "I like biology best of all the science classes," she stated. "It was always pretty easy."

Although not in the Science Club at MHS. Debi and another person entered a science project in a fair at Springfield three years ago.

Debi thinks she did so well in science because of her teacher, Mr. Glen Boyer. "Mr. Boyer is a good teacher." she stated, "and I have learned a lot in his class." Mr. Boyer commented that Debi was always prepared for class and seemed to have a high knowledge of the subject.

Debi has taken a physical science class as well, but she likes biology better.

#### Math students score big at contests

MHS students brought home the Summit Conference Math Fair traveling trophy for their performances in a variety of divisions.

And although they won no awards, several junior high students entered a math tournament in Springfield at Southwest Missouri State University.

Geometry, one of the most difficult classes in the curriculum, was taught by Mr. Carl Hartley. The class worked on the basics of finding the areas and volumes of triangles, rectangles, circles, and squares, and became familiar with terms such as radius, hypotenuse, equilateral, and pi.

Mr. Hartley, in addition to math fair duties, sponsored Mu Alpha Theta, a national high school and junior college mathematics club.

Mr. Roy Gold divided his teaching time between the math and science departments, and assisted his students with science and math projects.

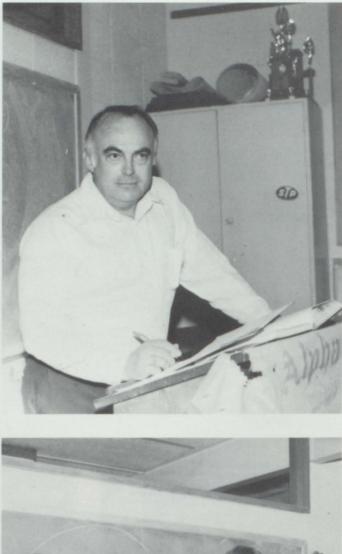
Permitting many students to work independently at their own speed was a new twist for Mr. Raymond Bishop, junior high math teacher. As eighth grade sponsor, he accompanied the class on their trip to Jefferson City.

Algebra 1	Mr. C
Algebra II	Mr. C
Basic Math	Mr. K
Business Math	Mr. K
	Mr. C
Consumer Math	Mr. k
Geometry	Mr. C
Math Analysis	Mr. C
Math-Eighth grade	Mr. k
Math-Seventh grade	Mr. k



- Roy Gold
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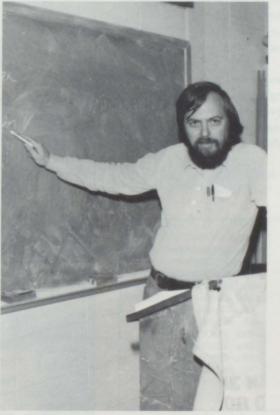




TOP: Mr. Carl Hartley. ABOVE: Geometry students Derrick Neal and Susan Campe try to decipher a problem at the blackboard. OPPOSITE PAGE: Mr. Raymond Bishop explains a problem to his eighth grade math class. BOTTOM LEFT: Mr. Raymond Bishop. BOTTOM RIGHT: Mr. Roy Gold.









A sophomore who has had three college preparatory math classes? Yes, there's one here at MHS, and his name is Steve Day.

Steve took Algebra I his freshman year and took geometry and Algebra II his sophomore year. He plans on taking senior math (trigonometry) his junior year and enrolling in an extended course or a correspondence course his senior year. He became a full member of the Mu Alpha Theta this year.

Steve attended the Summit Conference Math Fair his freshman and sophomore years. This year he did well: scoring third place in Algebra II and second place in geometry.

The reason Steve is so interested in math is because it is interesting to him. "and I feel it will be one of the most important subjects in my future." He enjoys working all

He enjoys working all types of mathematical problems, but thinks that motion problems, size problems, and quadratic equations are his favorites, because they are the easiest for him to do.

#### History contestants make it to state

First, second, and third place in the district History Day competition was captured by MHS history students under the direction of Mrs. Vi Obert. Mike Pearson, James Livingston, and Joe Colburn placed first, second, and third, respectively.

All three projects placed in the category of individual projects, and were eligible for state competition.

In her regular classes, Mrs. Obert used a contract system. Students were to choose a history topic of special interest to them and then sign a contract specifying how they will study the topic.

Mrs. Obert sponsored the junior high cheerleaders and the eighth grade.

Civics, taught by Mr. Merlin Miller, was added to the list of social studies courses available to MHS students. Class members studied the American system of government and were introduced to the mechanics of democracy.

After studying a unit on male and female roles, the boys in the sociology class taught by Mrs. Debbie Arnall planned and prepared a meal, proving their cooking skills.

The American Folklore class visited Silver Dollar City to get a closer look at the crafts they had been studying about in the *Foxfire* books.

Mrs. Arnall sponsored the Junior Class, as well as the newspaper and yearbook.

American Folklore
American History
Civics
Economics
Minority Groups
Psychology
Social Problems
Social Studies-Eighth grade
Social Studies-Seventh grade
Sociology
World Geography
World History

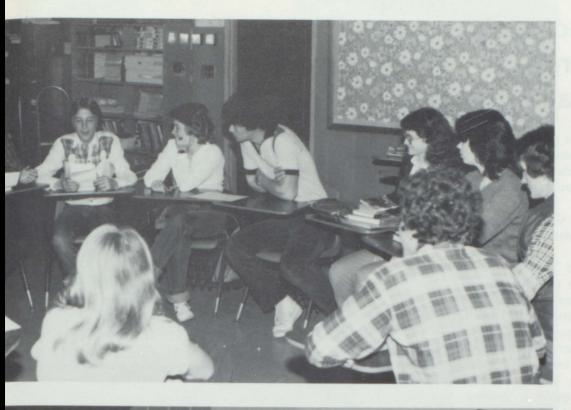
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TOP: Mrs. Debbie Arnall. MIDDLE: Carla Stanifer, Robin Clark, Gordon Vogt, and Ronnie Box do some group work during their junior high social studies class. BOTTOM: Mrs. Vi Obert.







TOP: Students in sociology listen as Joe Magdziarz takes his turn revealing his inner thoughts. MIDDLE: World history students tackle the map of medieval Europe. LEFT: Mr. Merlin Miller.



Could Lisa McJunkins' interest in government and history lead her to be the first woman president of the United States?

Anything's possible, and with Lisa's large background of social studies classes, she might be a likely candidate.

Lisa has taken several social studies classes, including American History, world geography, human relations, psychology, sociology, folklore, and civics.

Civics was her favorite class, for she learned quite a lot. "I learned a lot about government." she stated. "When things go on in the nation, I now know what they are talking about. The government is very interesting to me."

Lisa enjoys history very much, and likes reading and discussing about other cultures and the people of the past. Folklore, another one of her favorite classes, studied the people of the Ozarks long ago and their history.

"If my plans follow through and I attend college, I'll most likely major in history education," Lisa said.

#### Basic electronics offered to vocational students

Basic electronics, taught by Mr. Bill Ghan, was re-introduced to Mansfield students after a three year absence. Although they studied everything from radio circuits to superheterodyne circuits, the main subject was practical radio work.

Another new class for Mr. Ghan was wood processing, designed to acquaint students with wood-working equipment.

Timmy Barnum and Fred Terry both brought home trophies from the conference industrial arts fair.

Mrs. Judy Gold, business teacher, entered several students in the conference business contest. Diana White received the trophy in the typing division.

Mrs. Gold was the Senior Class sponsor.

Homecrafts was offered for the first time, taught by Mrs. Kathy Barnett, Future Homemakers of America sponsor. The class tried quilting, quilling, crochet, needlepoint, latchhook, and tole painting.

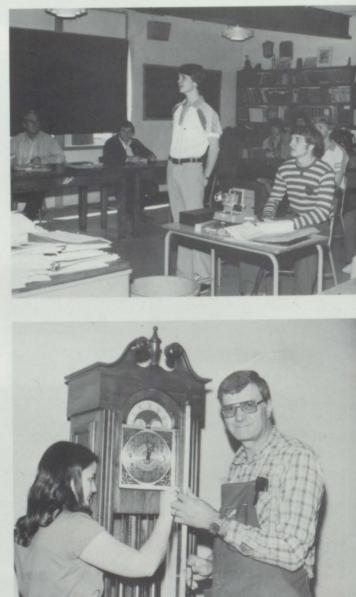
Mrs. Barnett also sponsored the pom pon squad.

Mr. Gene Cravens took some of his agriculture classes on a tour of the Feeder Pig Tele-Auction, and to the Simmental Field Day at Mtn. Grove. He was the Future Farmers of America sponsor.

Several Mansfield students attended VoTech at Mtn. Grove. They were Brad Hannaford, Russell McIntosh, Joe Allmon, Scott Newton, Mike Gage, Jim Lansdown, Mike Huckaby, and Chris Jones.

Mr. Gene Cravens Mr. Gene Cravens Mr. Gene Cravens Mr. Gene Cravens Mr. Bill Ghan Mrs. Judy Gold Mrs. Kathy Barnett Mrs. Kathy Barnett Mrs. Kathy Barnett Mr. Bill Ghan Mrs. Kathy Barnett Mr. Gene Cravens Mr. Bill Ghan Mr. Bill Ghan Mrs. Kathy Barnett Mrs. Kathy Barnett Mrs. Kathy Barnett Mrs. Kathy Barnett Mr. Gene Cravens Mrs. Judy Gold Mr. Bill Ghan Mrs. Judy Gold Mr. Gene Cravens Mrs. Judy Gold Mr. Bill Ghan











OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Mrs. Judy Gold helps Debbie Pearson with a typing assignment. MIDDLE: Steven Day gives a parliamentary procedure demonstration in an agriculture class. BOTTOM: Mr. Bill Ghan helps Becky Wilder put the finishing touches on her clock. THIS PAGE TOP: Sandy Graham, Gary Holmes, Rance Veit, and Gordon Edwards work on shop projects. LEFT: Mrs. Kathy Barnett. ABOVE: Mr. Gene Cravens.



The industrial arts department received a pleasant surprise when junior Terry Allen brought home "1" ratings from the conference industrial arts fair at Hartville and the district industrial arts fair at Springfield for his waterbed.

Terry said his prize winning waterbed took him seven months to complete. He worked on his project during school in his fifth hour wood processing / furniture class. The waterbed had a frame of yellow pine, and cost Terry approximately \$285, \$100 for the lumber, and \$185 for the mattress.

Terry has taken several shop classes. When he was in eighth grade he had general shop for one semester. During his freshman year he took general shop for a full year, and this past year he took woods processing and furniture. For his senior year he plans to take drafting and general metals.

Terry likes shop classes: he thinks they will be helpful in certain jobs. "I will be able to do carpentery work better than if I hadn't taken any shop classes," he stated.

#### Physical education comes in many varieties

Miss Dorothy (Dode) Jordan was a new addition to the coaching staff, taking over the softball, basketball, and volleyball teams. She also sponsored the varsity and junior varsity cheerleaders and the Pep Club.

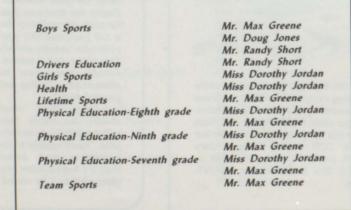
Her special projects for the year included revamping the existing girls' locker room, and fixing a new locker room under the bleachers for girl athletes.

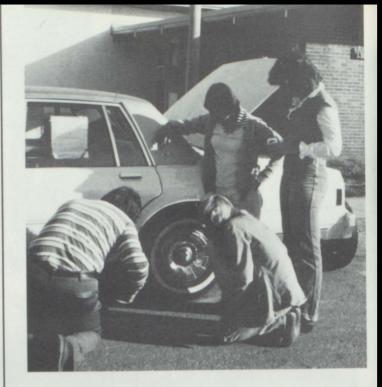
Mr. Randy Short, senior high basketball and baseball coach, resigned in April to go into private business. He was a Junior Class sponsor.

Life and team sports, taught by Mr. Max Greene, studied swimming, tennis, bowling, volleyball, basketball, and baseball.

Mr. Greene was track and junior high basketball coach, and sponsored the Freshman Class.

Following the resignation of Mr. Short, Mr. Doug Jones took over the spot of baseball coach, moving up from assistant. He was also assistant basketball coach.















OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Mr. Randy Short demonstrates the art of changing a flat tire to driver's education students Vicki Smith, Lori Williams, and Gwen Carter. MIDDLE: Team sports class members match up for a volleyball game. BOTTOM: Miss Dode Jordan explains a rule to Missy Clark. THIS PAGE TOP: Freshman physical education students play "prison ball." LEFT: Mr. Randy Short. ABOVE: Mr. Max Greene helps Cindy Short with her volleyball serve.



Whenever you need an athletic person to complete a team, just call junior Bub Brooke. He can play just about any sport you can name.

Bub enjoys the physical education classes at MHS very much. During his freshman and sophomore years Bub was active in boys sports, when he played B team basketball.

This year he was enrolled in lifetime sports, which he declares his favorite because of the wide variety of sports involved. He and his fellow students enjoyed tennis, swimming, bowling, softball, volleyball, basketball, and several other unusual sports such as dodgeball and wiffleball.

Of all the lifetime and team sports Bub enjoys wiffleball best, but he feels he is best at basketball. He also enjoys swimming because "... it takes the least amount of physical activity."

However, of any sport, Bub enjoys motorcycle riding. Bub has had an interest in this sport for several years, and has been riding since sixth grade. He now owns his own motorcycle, a red 125 Suzuki.

# Sculpture, composers subjects for students

A course in music appreciation was introduced in the curriculum this year, taught by Mr. Eric Spyres. The class studied music and composers from 1300-1980 and listened to music from the different eras.

In addition to taking students to the district and state music festivals, Mr. Spyres was Student Council sponsor.

Mr. Reed Shaw introduced his Art II and III classes to three-dimensional sculpture. They learned the basics-balance, texture, and rhythm - and worked on a large group project as well as individual sculptures. The group effort was a seven feet tall glass and wood waterfall.

Mr. Shaw was one of the Senior Class sponsors.

Mrs. Marilyn Parker's junior high art classes were moved to the area above the stage in the high school gymnasium. Most of her day was spent as the elementary art teacher.

Art-Eighth grade Art-Seventh grade Art I Art II Art III Arts and Crafts I Arts and Crafts II Band Band-Junior High Mixed Chorus Music Appreciation Music-Eighth grade Music Seventh grade Music Theory Mrs. Marilyn Parker Mrs. Marilyn Parker Mr. Reed Shaw Mr. Reed Shaw Mr. Reed Shaw Mr. Reed Shaw Mr. Eric Spyres Mr. Eric Spyres Mr. Eric Spyres Mr. Eric Spyres Mrs. Terry Spyres Mrs. Terry Spyres Mrs. Terry Spyres Mr. Eric Spyres













OPPOSITE PAGE TOP: Christmas scenes are painted on local business windows by art students and Mr. Reed Shaw. MIDDLE: Mr. Eric Spyres. BOTTOM: Mrs. Marilyn Parker. THIS PAGE TOP: Debbie Pearson completes a wooden sculpture. MIDDLE: Mr. Eric Spyres directs the Mixed Chorus. LEFT: Mr. Reed Shaw.



A career in commercial art is what junior Bobby Merritt plans to have in the future. and he's using his high school years to his advantage by taking as many art classes as he can.

So far he has had Art I, Art II, and Art III during his freshman, sophomore, and junior years, and is planning on taking Arts and Crafts I, advanced art (Art II), and art appreciation his senior year.

With all these hours of art behind him, Bobby hopes to earn a scholarship to college where he would like to major in commercial arts. He is not sure yet which college he is going to attend, but he has his sights set on Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield.

All phases of art, including drawing, painting, ceramics, and sculpture, are interesting and fun to Bobby. His favorite of these, however, is drawing because he feels that is what he does best.

Of the several drawings he has done, he is most proud of a pen and ink design he made of a ship, and a drawing of an eagle sitting on a tree limb in the rain.

### Special needs challenge these staffers

Making young children feel comfortable with the library was part of Mrs. Dorris Sheets' job as elementary librarian. Kindergarten and first grade students were told stories and nursery rhymes, while older children learned how to use reference books and the card catalog.

Like the elementary, high school librarian Mr. Patrick Groom sponsored an annual book fair. Mr. Groom, sponsor of Library Club, also co-ordinated "Voice from the Lions Den" a program broadcast over radio station KTRI.

Secondary guidance counselor Mrs. Okema Haden also was National Honor Society sponsor. Her time was spent providing personal counseling for everyone from seventh graders to seniors.

Mrs. Paula Bogart, elementary, and Mrs. Carol Garrison, secondary, taught special education classes for students who qualified for extra assistance.

School nurse Mrs. Jan Stacy took care of everything from hangnails to headaches to concussions. She also conducted vision checks, weekly fluoride treatments, and taught students about health, hygiene, and drugs.

Mrs. Delores Penny, education resource teacher, worked for ECCO, the Exceptional Child Co-Operative. She made sure that Mansfield complied with state laws.



ABOVE: Mrs. Jan Stacy, school nurse, checks a student's eyesight. TOP RIGHT: Mrs. Delores Penny, educational resource teacher. MIDDLE RIGHT: Mrs. Dorris Sheets, elementary librarian. RIGHT: Mrs. Okema Haden, guidance counselor, with Paula Wingo.





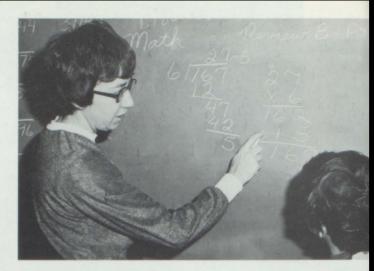




LEFT: Mrs. Paula Bogart, elementary EMR teacher, with Kevin Kelley. BOTTOM: Mrs. Carol Garrison, junior and senior high EMR teacher. BELOW: Mr. Patrick Groom, secondary librarian.











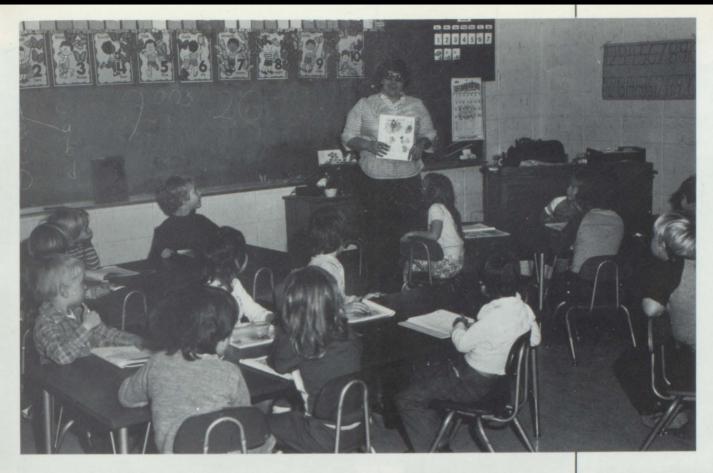


# ELEMENTARY FACULTY





TOP LEFT: Mrs. Josie Adamson, second grade teacher. BOTTOM LEFT: Mrs. Kathryn Nichols, fifth grade teacher, with student Elizabeth Euler. TOP RIGHT: Fourth grade teacher Mrs. Elaine Crump. TOP MIDDLE RIGHT: Third grade teacher Mrs. Twila Collins and Lance Adamson. BOTTOM MIDDLE RIGHT: Mrs. Vicki Box, fourth grade teacher, with students Amy Biesemeyer and Eunice Underwood. BOTTOM RIGHT: Mrs. Carol Anderson, LD teacher, with James Kirkland.









TOP: Mrs. Kay Scrivner and her kindergarten class. FAR LEFT: First grade teacher Mrs. Dorothy Wallace and Tommy Kingery. LEFT: Miss Linda Graham, remedial language arts teacher, with Joyce Landsdown. ABOVE: Mrs. Barbara Starrett, sixth grade teacher.



# ELEMENTARY FACULTY





TOP LEFT: Dallas Chambers, remedial math teacher, and students Angela Brazeal and Jeff Calhoun. BOTTOM LEFT: First grade teacher Mrs. Frances Coday and Serina Page. TOP RIGHT: Mrs. Janet Mitchell, third grade teacher, and Heather Krider. MIDDLE RIGHT: Kindergarten teacher Mrs. Kathryn Green with Rachel Tanis and Ryan Miller. BOTTOM RIGHT: Mrs. Susie Graham, fifth grade teacher, and student Claire Brennan.



















TOP LEFT: Third grade teacher Mrs. Mary Jo James and Lane Adamson. TOP MIDDLE: Mrs. Mary Lou Rush. sixth grade teacher, with student Kevin Martin. TOP RIGHT: Miss Karen Wilde, speech teacher. BOTTOM LEFT: Music teacher Mrs. Connie Bishop and Brett Neal. BOTTOM MIDDLE: Mrs. Jean Coday, second grade teacher, and student Tommy Dugger. BOTTOM RIGHT: Mrs. Helen Lawrence, remedial reading teacher.



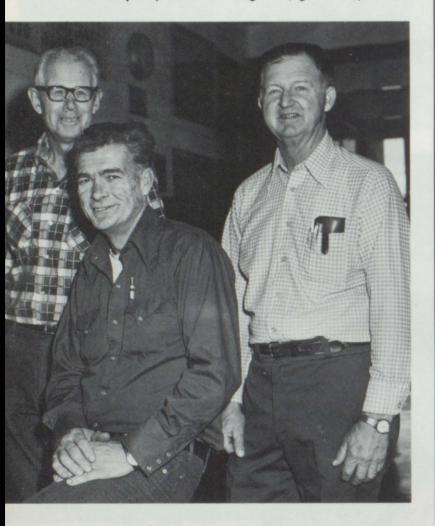
# New lunchroom brightens daily routine

Moving the cafeteria from the high school to the newly constructed elementary multi-purpose room changed the dreary atmosphere of lunchroom life for Mansfield students.

The large, brightly-lit multi-purpose room not only looked better, but the high vaulted ceiling soaked up noise and chatter instead of amplifying them.

The cooks also found the new kitchen to be much better organized and more convenient, especially when it came to receiving deliveries and storing frozen foods.

Although many extra-curricular bus trips were curtailed due to rising transportation costs, the bus drivers still had plenty to do covering the regular daily routes.



TOP: Mrs. Dorothy Mitchell, Follow-Through Parent Coordinator. ABOVE: High school janitors Mr. James Helsley, Mr. Ed McCrite, and Mr. Robert Johns. RIGHT: Cooks Mrs. Connie Calhoun, Mrs. Marge Short, Mrs. Sue Findley, Mrs. Pat Dennis, Mrs. Coleen Garman, and Mrs. Jean Helsley.











ABOVE: Bus drivers Mr. Danny Coday, Mr. Emmett Allen, Mr. Jim Lund, Mr. Orvil McConnell, Mr. Claude Dale, Mr. Jim Light, Mr. Roy Jones, Mrs. Judy McCrite, Mr. Don Garman, Mr. Morris Moody, Mr. Lester Davis.

LEFT: Elementary teacher aides Mrs. Helen Euler, Mrs. Pam Lansdown, Mrs. Mae Jordan, Mrs. Joyce Dennis, Mrs. April Lansdown, Mrs. Lana Kirkland, Mrs. Genora Gleason.



Above: Elementary janitors Mr. Bill Maxwell and Mr. Bill Bennett.



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# Twins and triplets abound at school

Six sets of twins and one set of triplets make for a little confusion around Mansfield.

The triplets, Lori, Lisa, and Lance Johnson, are junior high students. Lori thinks that being a triplet is just like being "any normal kid."

Frank and Brad Dunbar are freshmen. According to Frank. "It's fun being a twin because you have someone your own age to do the things you like with."

Sixth graders Lendall and Kendall Beushausen like being twins. As Kendall said, "You can fool people on who you are and confuse them." The third grade has three sets of twins. Devin and Duane Lindsey both admit that people often get them mixed up.

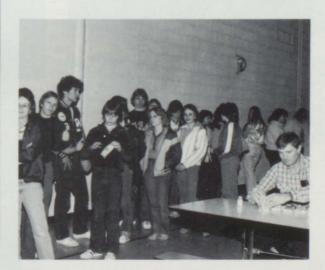
Lane and Lance Adamson, also third graders, said that sometimes, like all twins, their mother dresses them alike.

Third graders Kathline and Cathrine Kuhn are the only set of girl twins in school.

The second grade also has a set of twins, Clint and Clay Thompson. Clint thinks that the best thing about being twins is "having someone to play with." And according to Clay, "Me and my brother are friends."







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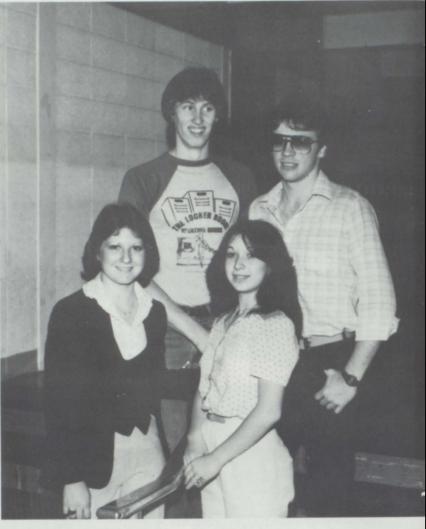
### Class leaders want "classy" followers

The four high school presidents, Bruce McCrite, senior; Ronnie Barnum, junior; Glenn Dasmalchi, sophomore; and Missy Clark, freshman; agreed their classes could all stand a little improvement when it comes to class meetings. But they also agreed that the classes behave much better now.

Senior president Bruce McCrite thought his class had more order in the past. Ronnie Barnum, junior president, stated that his class clowned



ABOVE: Freshman Class officers. Missy Clark, president; Cissy Mitchell, vice president; and Sheila Smith, secretary-treasurer. TOP RIGHT: Junior Class officers. Linda Sowers, secretary, Terry Allen, vice president; Patty Calhoun, treasurer; and Ronnie Barnum, president. RIGHT: Seventh grade officers. Brett Dennis, vice president; Shannon Watterson, secretary, Not shown, Nick Zorsch, president; Danny Hylton, treasurer.





around alot, but when it came time to get serious, they got the job done. Sophomore president Glenn Dasmalchi thought his class is better than last year, but still has room for improvement. Missy Clark, freshman president, thought if some of her class would grow up they would have good meetings. Why is their class a

special one? Sophomore Vicki Smith

said the special thing about her class was that the class members stick by each other.

Cissy Mitchell, freshman, believed their specialness was "being able to take all of the freshman jokes that everyone gives us." Junior secretary

Linda Sowers said, "We

always select reliable people for the jobs that need to be done."

Renee Smith, senior treasurer, said her class is special because, "Every one in the class knows how to have fun and they know how to enjoy life."





ABOVE: Sophomore Class officers. Glenn Dasmalchi, president; Vicki Smith, vice president; Reeda Rippee, secretary-treasurer. LEFT: Eighth grade officers, Melissa Bogart, treasurer; Stephanie Clark, reporter; Rhonda Top, vice president; Kelly Hensy, secretary; Don Brennan, president.



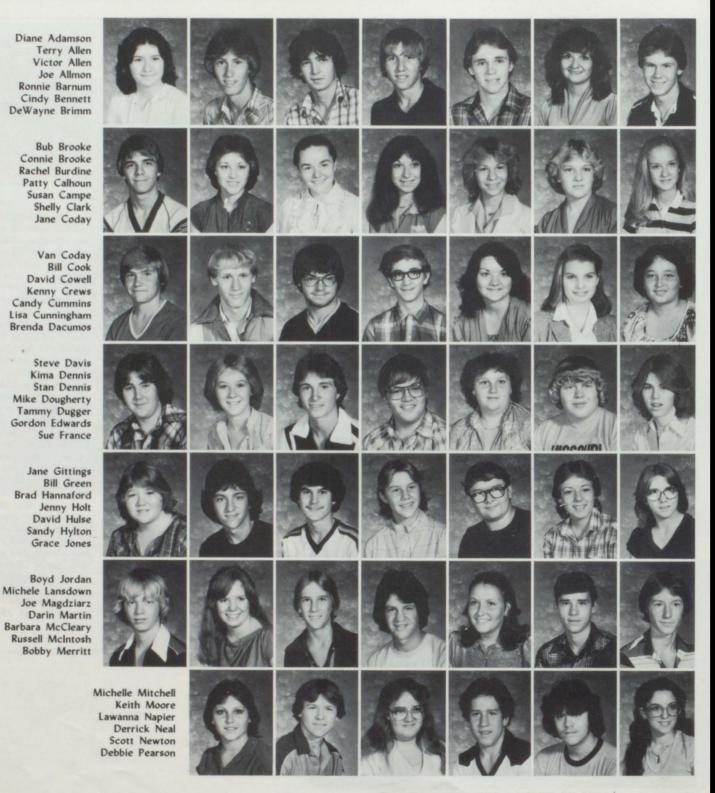
If you happen to have any questions about serving as a class officer, just ask Ronnie Barnum, a junior at MHS. He's had plenty of practice in that department.

Ronnie started out by getting elected vicepresident of his freshman class. After that he held the post of president both his sophomore and junior years.

As Junior Class President, Ronnie has had a great deal of responsibility in making arrangements for the Junior-Senior Prom, including helping class members choose the location, pick a band, select the decorations, and decide the menu. He was also responsible for appointing all class committees, such as the ones that planned and coordinated the annual Junior Olympics.

Besides junior duties, Ronnie is also serving as vice-president and acting president of Student Council. Junior class proud of accomplishments "What have you done in your whole life that you are proudest of?"

The majority of the "Class of 82" answered that they were proud to have gotten their drivers license on the first or second try. Sports was a popular topic for some juniors. Stan Dennis was proud that he made the All-Conference basketball team his sophomore year. Ronnie Barnum was proud of being on the "starting five" at this year's regional



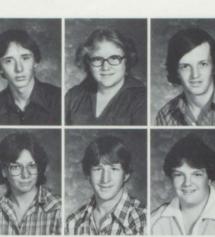
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tournament. Jenny Holt was proud of sticking it out in sports, especially volleyball, and not giving up.

Another area the juniors excelled in and were proud of was school publications. DeWayne Brimm and Joe Magdziarz both felt pride in becoming editors of the "Lions Gazette." Staff member Susan Campe had her feature story on "baby eggs" entered in the MIPA Contest and felt good about that. Also proud were several contest winners. Candy Cummins won a trophy at the Rolla Science Fair, Barb McCleary a "2" in the typing contest, and Becky Wilder had a story published.

Several juniors had a

special moment. Linda Sowers was maid of honor at a wedding, Sandy Hylton played the piano for her grandparent's wedding anniversary, and Shelly Clark passed her advanced lifesaving test this summer.





Randy Schofield Cindy Short John Slate Neta Snider Linda Sowers

Debbie Speakes Ted Stranghoner Rance Veit Diana White Rebecca Wilder Not Shown: Jean Kuhn Rick Rebura Larry Stofer





LEFT: A gab session before school is always in order for juniors Brenda Dacumos, Jean Kuhn, Lawanna Napier, and Tammy Dugger. ABOVE: Junior "favorites" Ronnie Barnum and Patty Calhoun.



To the casual observer, MHS junior Sue France doesn't really look like a world traveler. Yet she has lived in two countries other than the United States, and visited a third country.

Sue has lived in England and Canada, and has visited Spain. In between her freshman and sophomore years, she moved here from Colorado, where she still goes to visit each summer. While she lived there, Sue was involved in gymnastics, track, jazz dancing and roller skating. Currently, she is involved in volleyball, chorus, FHA, drama, and the Full Gospel Church Youth Group.

Concerning her travels, which she loves to do, Sue has collected dolls from each country she's been to.

Sue likes to visit her friends, go walking in the country, go horseback riding, attend movies, and listen to music, especially gospel rock. Her favorite group is the "Imperials", but she does like other varieties. In the future, Sue plans to move to Colorado where she hopes to attend Colorado State University.

### Sophomores miffed by driving difficulties

Do school and parents sometimes make you mad? If so, then you could probably fit right in with the Sophomore Class.

Sophomores had the question, "What makes you really mad?", asked of them, and they all had pretty much the same answers. Besides school and parents, being awakened early on weekends and working were also mentioned.

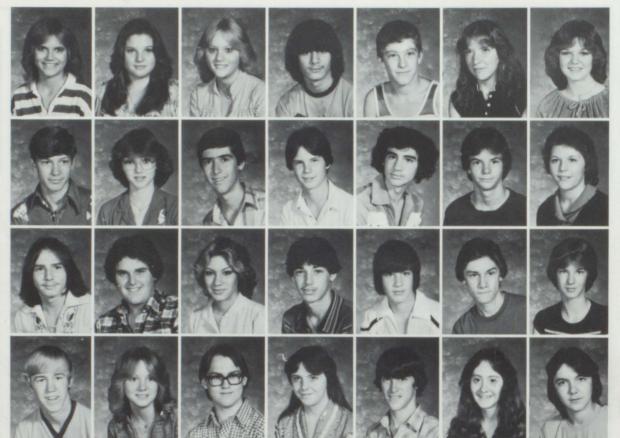
Getting their drivers licenses meant going out, of course, but many of the

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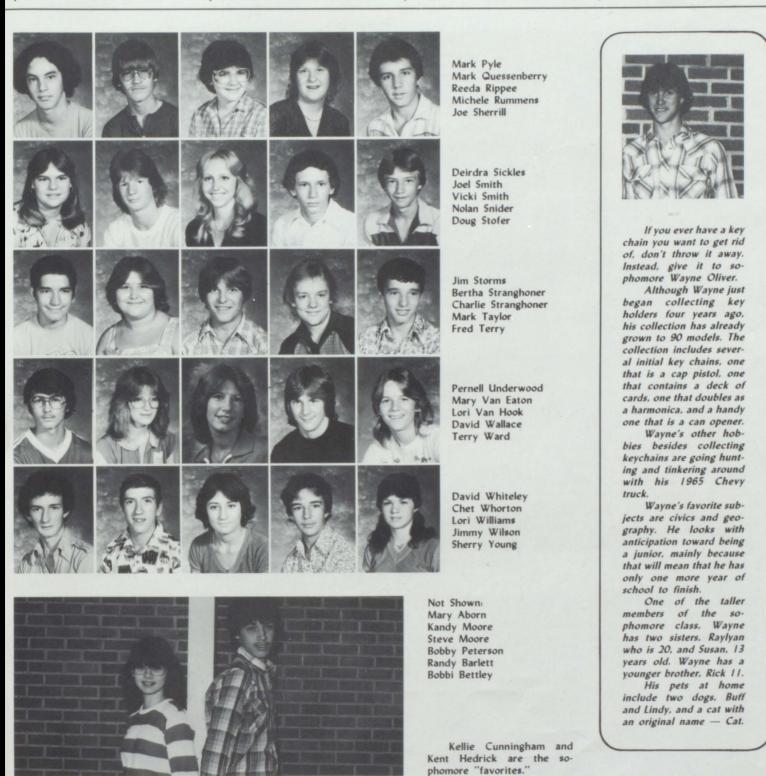




ABOVE: Kenny Crews and sophomores Randy Barlett and Mark Pyle are caught in a quiet moment.

sophomores hadn't had theirs long enough to get their own cars or their parents full trust to borrow the family car. Dean Lebahn gets angered when he asks to go to town and his dad tells him to take the tractor. Jeff Cruse has basically the same problem-he gets mad when his parents won't let him use the car.

For Janie Nichols and Susie Freeman, simply learning to drive can be frustrating. Janie commented that "the first time you drive your dad's and you wreck it'' is pretty aggravating. Susie Freeman felt that "driving" in the drivers education car with a bunch of boys" was what angered her the most. "Too much homework" was Robert Gage's answer to the sophomore question, and "working" was Darin Price's reply. Mary Van Eaton disliked being awakened early on weekends and Terry Greco hated getting up to go to school.



### Freshman life a challenge in survival

The freshman class was asked "What is the hardest thing about being a freshman?" and the over whelming response was "having to put up with upper classmen."

The juniors really have made an impact on the

freshmen. Garland Dotson and T. J. Slate both declared that walking down the hall amidst a group of rowdy juniors was rough. Paula Wingo said that the hardest thing was "being thumped on the head by some of the juniors that

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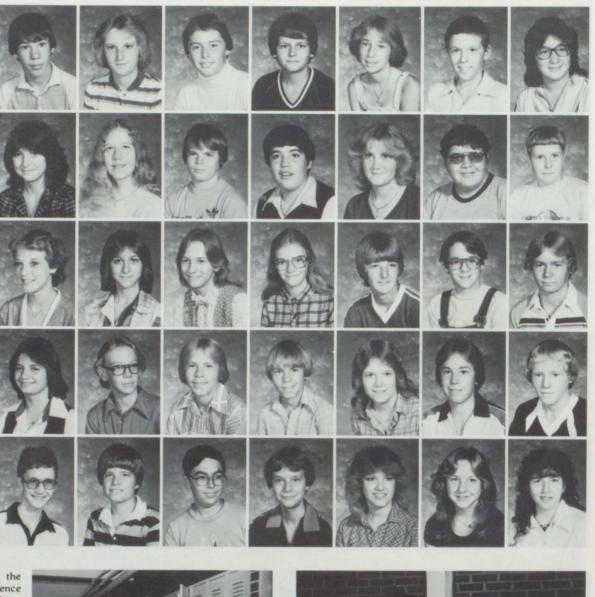
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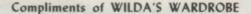
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Mark Euler Cam Fairbairn Mike Fairbairn Chris Ghan Sheila Gleason Teresa Grutel Gina Johnson

RIGHT: Fighting the crowd at the lockers is an everyday occurrence for freshmen Stan Richardson, Randy King, Joan Billings, Bobby Stofer, and Pat Barba. FAR RIGHT: Freshmen "favorites" Gary Edwards and Kitty Conley.

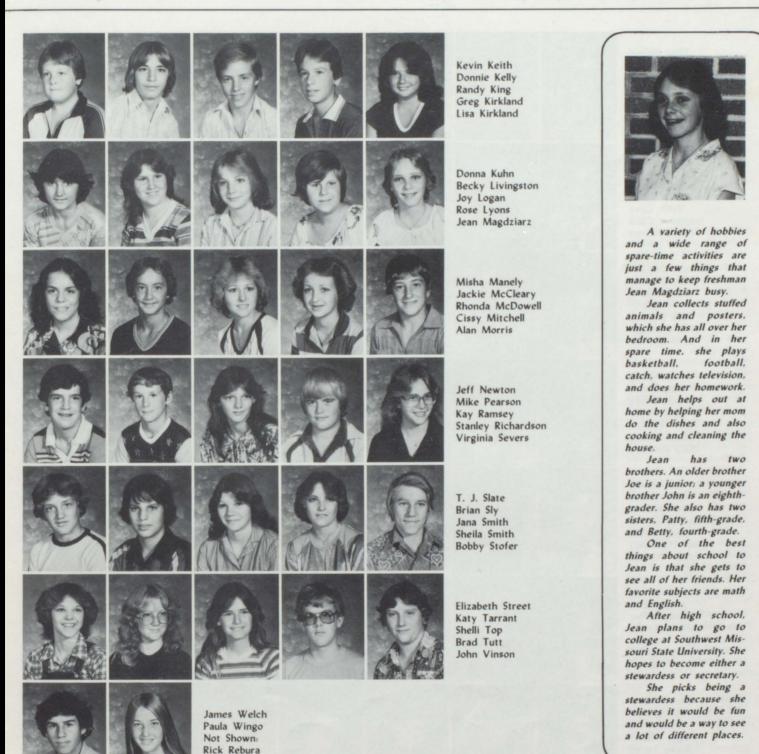




just got their class ring."

Something all freshmen have to put up with but don't really like is initiation. Jackie McCleary and Susan Cook named this as the worst thing of the first year of high school, and Melinda Coffman summed up their feelings best by saying that ". . . it's really embarrassing to walk around school all day with wet clothes after a few girls throw you in the sinks!" Shelli Top felt that being the youngest class in high school was the hardest thing to deal with and Virginia Severs resented being labeled a "duh" class by the upper classmen. However, Cissy Mitchell had something

totally different to complain about. She remarked that the freshmen class didn't get much of a choice in what classes they could take.



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Janice Street

# Eighth graders wonder why, why, why?

Most people have a question that they would like answered, and the eighth graders were no exception when they were asked, "What question would you like the answer to?"

Most of the questions

asked pertained to school. Tim Barnum asked why the lunchroom was moved to the new building this year, and Rhonda Top wondered who chooses the school lunch menu.

In case the weather gets as hot next year as

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it did this past August in school, Lisa Durham wanted to know if the school is going to get air conditioners. Ronnie Box asked why his class couldn't have longer breaks between classes, and Pete McNeil wondered why there can't be longer summers. Sports, always a popular topic, came up as a popular question. Students such as Don Brennan, Steve Starrett, John Magdziarz, and Terry Cornelius asked why Mansfield didn't have a football team. Cathy Campie asked why junior high girls couldn't have a softball team.

Carla Stanifer voiced a question often asked by eighth graders, but on a totally different subject. She asked the question. "Why can't we get our driver's license at 14?"

While most kids in eighth grade look forward to entering high school, Kelly Hensy is way ahead of them. She is anxious to know why it takes so long to become a senior.



Cindy Whipple Robert Wood Not Shown: Sonya Davis Sherma Pervin Terry Cornelius



ABOVE: Standing on the front steps during lunch hour is a ritual with junior high students. Eighth graders are from left, Joe Drinnon, Randy Henry, John Magdziarz, Carla Stanifer, Robin Clark, Brad Dotson, Jack Barba, Tracey Hall, and Vicki Hall.



There is a big similarity between what eighth grade student Max McCall likes doing now, and what he would like to do for the rest of his life, once he gets out of high school, of course.

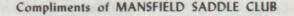
Max draws in his spare time, draws anything and everything. That's convenient, since he has already decided that he wants to be an architect and design houses and other kinds of buildings for his career.

Max also enjoys painting, especially mountains, trees, and other outdoor scenes that appeal to him. Obviously, Max's favorite class at school is art. He also enjoys history and music classes in junior high.

When he's home, Max helps out by working on the yard. He also finds time to watch a little basketball and play some tennis.

When he has some time to himself, Max puts together model cars, trucks, and airplanes to add to his collection he has compiled over the years.

Max has a sister named Sherry, a dog, and an aquarium full of assorted fish.



### Seventh graders want world records

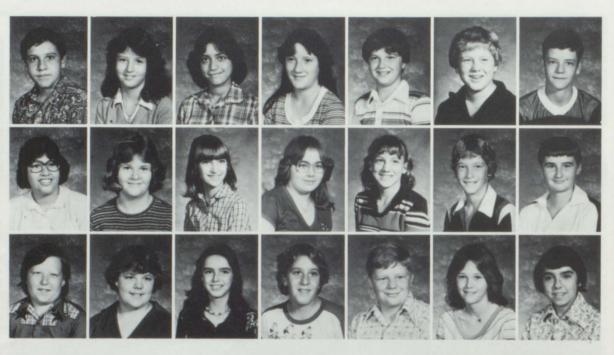
Have you ever thought about being in "The Guinness Book of World Records?" The seventh grade was asked "If you could be in "The Guinness Book of World Records," what would you be in it for?" and some of their answers were as crazy as the stunts in the book. In the "think big" department were Brett Dennis, Lavadia Hicks, Lisa Johnson, and Brad Cannon. Brett would like to be known for catching the largest fish. Lavadia

Albert Aborn Coleena Anderson Rebecca Bennett Glenda Biesemeyer Brad Cannon Jimmy Cantrell Edward Colston

> Sarah Cox Kim Crews Arian Dasmalchi Sonya Davis Becky Dennis Brett Dennis Mike Dodson

Jim Dyer Regina Freeman Pam Gage Candy Giffin Matt Gittings Rhonda Hendrick Michael Heredia

RIGHT: The steps leading to the junior high part of the building provide a convenient place for seventh graders to take a break. Shown are Brian McDowell, Larry Morris, Kenneth Moody, John Hudgens, Lavadia Hicks, and Janet Kennedy.



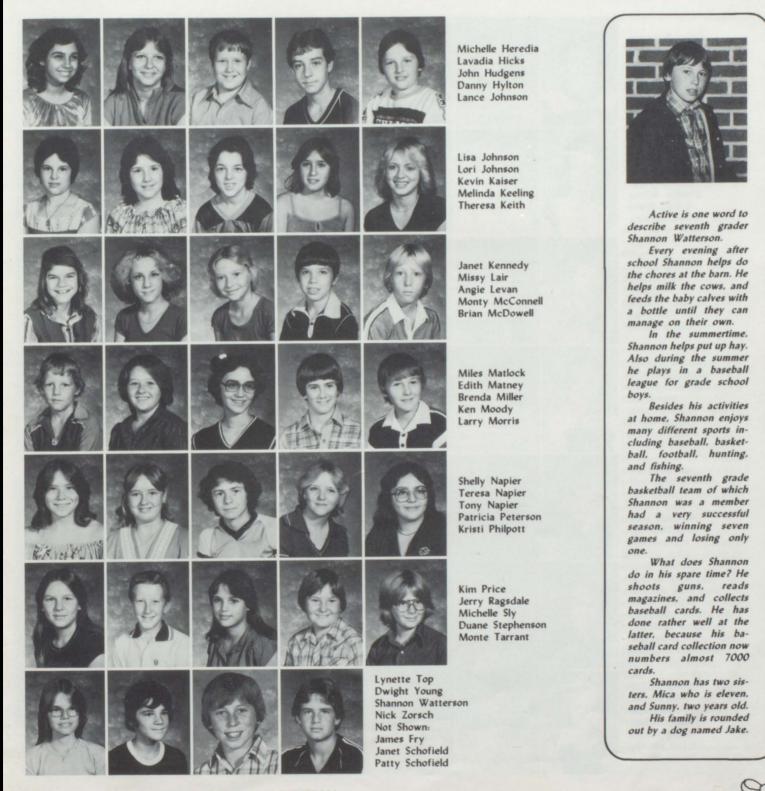


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would like to make the world's largest pizza, and Lisa would like making the biggest candy bar. Brad Cannon said he would be happy making the most money.

The seventh grade seemed to be an athletic

class. One of the most popular answers was "playing basketball the longest" and those giving that answer were Janet Kennedy, Coleena Anderson, Candy Giffin, and Rhonda Hendrick — all girls! Other sports mentioned were jumping rope and playing baseball. Kim Price wanted to be in the book for swimming the farthest, and Theresa Keith said she would like to be famous for spiking a volleyball the hardest. Albert Aborn was just the opposite, however. He wanted the world's record for sleeping the longest. Dwight Young wanted to zoom around in the fastest car in the world, and Larry Morris wanted to be notorious for getting into trouble the most.



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# Sixth graders pick perfect people

This year was the first year the sixth grade was situated in the elementary school instead of the junior high section. In English their studies focused mainly on writing, learning punctuation, outlining, and construction of sentences and writing more creatively. In math they began to work with decimals, in science they studied rocks, plants, and experimented with compounds and elements.

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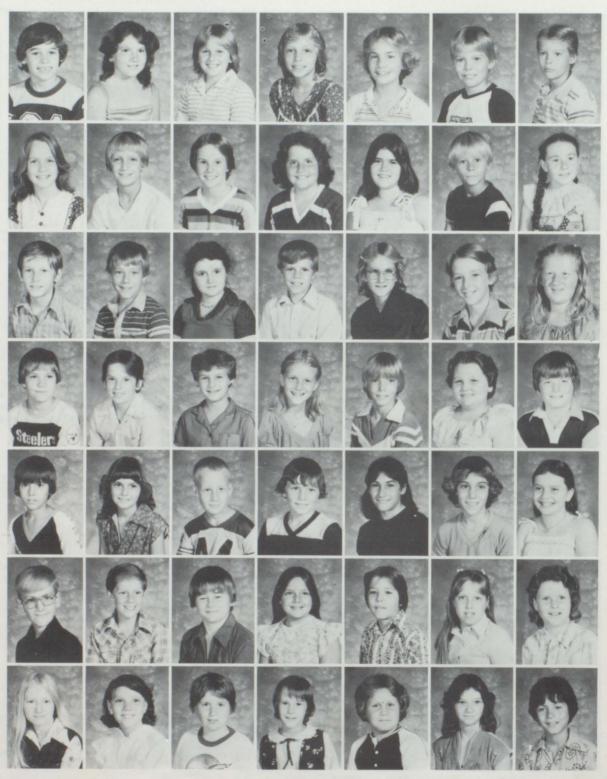
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Jon Ingerson Clay Jackson Greg Jones Karen Kirkland Mike Kirshfield Candi Light Brenda Livingston

Sherry McCall Becky McConnell Randy McNaughton Julie McNeil Kevin Martin Joyce Matney Shawn Moore



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The sixth graders had Mrs. Mary Lou Rush and Mrs. Barbara Starrett as their teachers.

The sixth grade was asked, "What's your idea of the perfect person?" The near unanimous answers were "nice" and "smart." Lendall Beushausen's perfect person is tall, blonde, has a twin, has a sister, likes sports, and likes hunting. Noel Rummens thought that a nice animal-lover of medium height with a big smile was the perfect person. Kelly Young felt that her perfect person had to make straight E's. A red-haired, freckled, 5'1" person with a blue jacket who wears a hat and acts funny was Kevin Cornelius's idea of "perfect". Candi Light

speculated that her idea of a perfect person had to be smart, good at their studies, and nice. Terri Cates felt basically the same way, but added that this person must also be funny, loveable, and tall.

Stacey Moore Brett Neal **Robert Page** Betty Peterson Callie Pruitt Serena Quessenberry Darin Raney Paul Rodgers Noel Rummens Patty Short Devonna Sickels Brian Stacy Dwain Swopes Byron Taylor Margie Terry Willie Turner Mica Watterson Tammy Woolsey Kelly Young Mary Ann Young Not Shown: Tammy Barlett Ricky Henry Nova McClain William Sewell

ABOVE: Mrs. Rush's sixth graders try dramatic reading. From left, Jerry Durham, Rona Baker, Lendall Beushausen. Joe Freeman, Noel Rummens, Brad Detherage, Willie Turner, and Bobby Page.



The 1980-81 school year saw a change for the sixth graders. For one thing, the sixth grade class was moved back to the elementary. This gave Tammy Barlett one more year to prepare for junior high school and all the changes it will involve.

When asked if she is looking forward to being in the junior high, she said "Yes, because then you can do something really mean."

After high school, Tammy would like to either go on to college, become a veterinarian, or be some kind of a trainer for horses. Currently, she is kept busy at home. She helps with washing dishes, cleaning bedrooms, and sweeping and mopping floors.

Some of Tammy's activities include going to church, reading, and listening to the radio. She also has a couple of collections. One consists of old dolls and the other is a record collection.

Tammy has four brothers and sisters: Cindy, 22; Ricky, 19; Janie, 17; and Randy, 16. She also has three dogs, Spooky, Pooh Bear, and Snoopy; and two cats, Prissy and Blacky.

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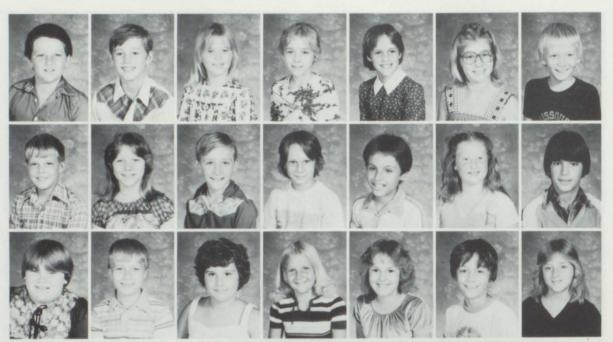
Studying the metric system, the fifty states, health, conservation, and even a little geometry has kept the fifth grade occupied for the whole year. They are even introduced to simple poetry. They had as their class projects such things as "western day," string art, going on nature trails, and studying the solar system by looking through a telescope. The fifth graders have Mrs. Susie Graham and Mrs. Kathryn Nichols as their

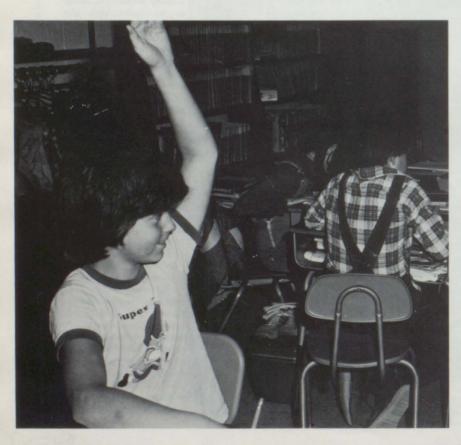
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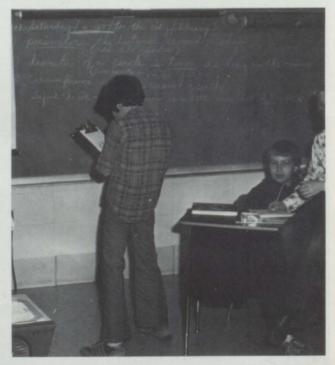
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LEFT: Fifth grader Darin Moore gets ready to ask a question. ABOVE: Larry Durham gets up close to copy material from the board.

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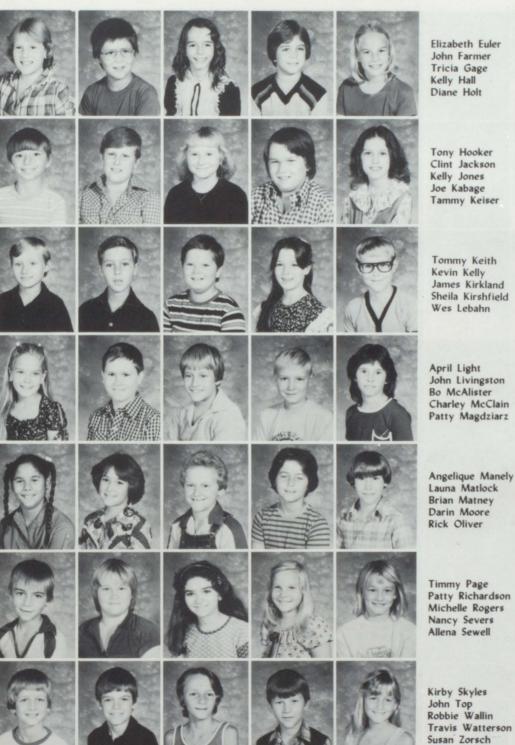
**Everv** student sometimes wonders what they would do if they were the teacher, and the fifth grade was asked this question. Most of the class was divided between making them work all day

or letting them take an all-day recess.

Susan Zorsch said she would give her class a choice of watching films all day long or going outside to play. Patty. Magdziarz would let the kids write on the

blackboard all day long. **But Claire Brennan** explained that she would make her students work harder with shorter recesses "since they are in the fifth grade." **Clint Jackson** declared that he would

"make the kids work through recess and give them a lot of homework," and Launa Matlock agreed that she would do the same. Charlie McClain would make it simple and give everybody E's.



James Kirkland Sheila Kirshfield

John Livingston Charley McClain Patty Magdziarz

Patty Richardson Michelle Rogers

Travis Watterson



Tony Hooker, whose future goal is to be a basketball player, is one of five brothers. And that's enough brothers for their own private basketball team when they get older.

Tony's brothers are James, ten; Johnny, eight; Billy, five; and T.J., two. Although Tony likes the fifth grade, especially when they study science, he is looking forward with lots of anticipation to the next step - the sixth grade, and after that, junior high school.

Tony has lots of activities, including attending church and singing in a choir. He also has a sea shell collection and likes to play baseball in addition to basketball.

Like most children, Tony helps out at home by cleaning his own bedroom. And when it comes to Saturday mornings, he's glued to the television set like just about every other American kid.

His favorite cartoon show of all is the Bugs Bunny - Road Runner Hour, because he thinks "Bugs" is funnier than any of the other cartoon characters.

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# Fourth graders get really happy

Fourth graders learn a lot of different things during the school year. Problems on math are much harder than they were in the third grade, and they begin to study about their country with special attention paid to Missouri. For class projects, Mrs. Elaine Crump and Mrs. Vicki Box, their teachers, instructed them in making dough figures and apple heads. The fourth graders

were asked "What makes you really happy?" Most of

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Angela Brazeal Jeff Calhoun Rusty Carter Charlotte Clark Leslie Climer Terrie Coffman Cindy Dacumos

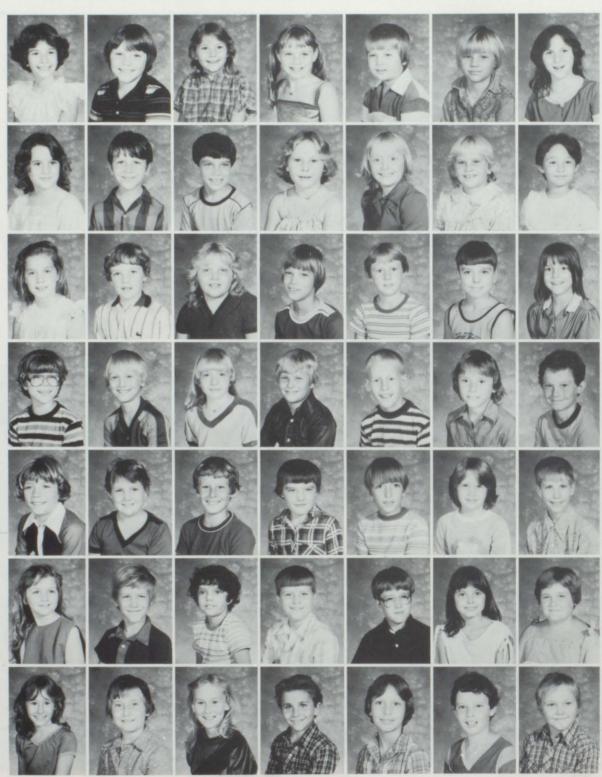
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Shirley James Jacob Kabage David Kuhn Larry Livingston Joseph Long Betty Magdziarz Missy McGaw

Cassie McGill Angela Merritt Michelle Morris Hal Noble Julie Perry Bryan Reed Joey Rhodes



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the children answered that recess, not having to go to school, their pets, or special trips make them happy.

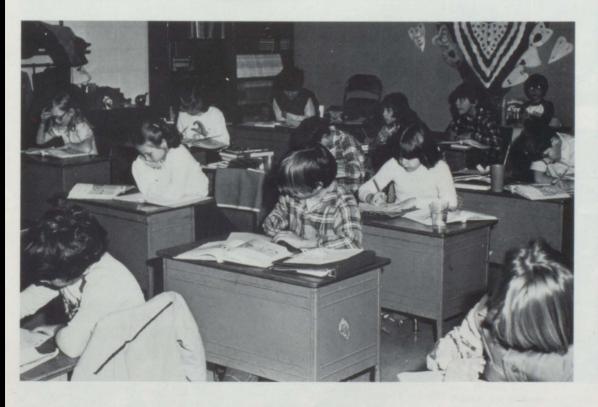
Stacy Veit replied that summer vacations make her happy and Scott Hesterly felt the same way. Cindy Whipple said she enjoys watching films at school, but Bryan Reed answered that he likes riding go-carts. Getting good grades makes Julie Kelley happy, and Rusty Carter feels happy when he's "with the whole family."

Sports, motorcycles, butterflies, and hunting were among some of the other answers. Angela Brazeal said that she was happiest "when I run my pony or go to my friend's house. And my puppies." Terry Henry enjoys going hunting, and Kelly Eidson decided he liked "going to my grandpa's." Eunice Underwood admitted that butterflies make her happy and Sean Hannum enjoys "people that love me like mom and dad."

Michelle Rhoades Billy Rogers Jeffrey Sly Jacob Tanis James Turley

Robbie Turner Eunice Underwood Stacy Veit Cathy Whipple Eddie Whipple

Wanda Williams Teresa Woolsey Lawanda Young Tammy Young Wayne Young



Fourth graders in Mrs. Crump's classroom are intent on completing math problems assigned as classwork for the day.



If there was a prize for being the Mansfield student with the most brothers and sisters, fourth grader David Kuhn would have a good chance at winning it! Come to think of it, there really wouldn't be much competition at all for David in the family department.

David is one of ten children. His brothers are Randy, 20: Ricky, 18: and Johnny, 5. His sisters include 8-year old twins Kathline and Cathrine: then there is Evelyn, 21: Karen 19: Jean, 16: and Donna 15.

Even though he comes from a large family, David still has to help out around the house like most other kids. He is responsible for making sure his room is clean.

In his spare time, David likes to play games, especially outdoors in nice weather. He also enjoys playing with Soupy, his German Shepherd dog.

David's favorite subjects in school are science and math. And when he gets out of school eight years from now, he wants to go on to college and study to be a teacher.

# Third graders have learned "important stuff"

The third graders are busy, busy, busy. This is the year they began to learn cursive writing, multiplication tables, creative writing, and the metric system. They began working with the dictionary and with computers. Their teachers are Mrs. Mary Jo James, Mrs. Twila Collins, and Mrs. Janet Mitchell.

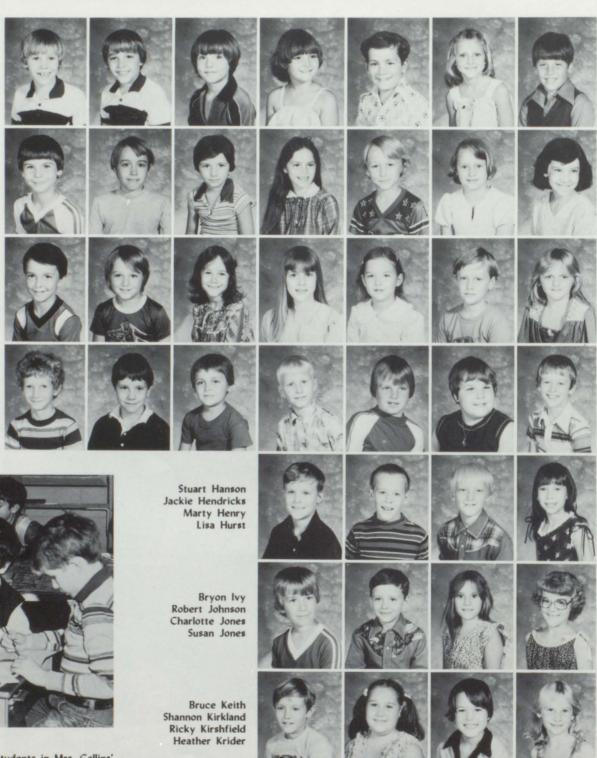
The third graders were asked, "What is the most important thing you have learned?" The biggest answers were

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Matthew Calhoun Darren Campie Shelly Clanton Nancee Clouse Darrel Cornelius Peggy Dake Jayme De Chenne

Kevin Delargy Scott Dunsmuir Karrie Durham Lori Durham Missy Dyer Robert Elliot Shalawn Emerick

Billy Fanning Mike Fanning Jim Farmer Kevin Foster Jimmy Freeman Becky Fry Gary Greene



Shane Cox and John Batchellor, students in Mrs. Collins' room, paint pictures.

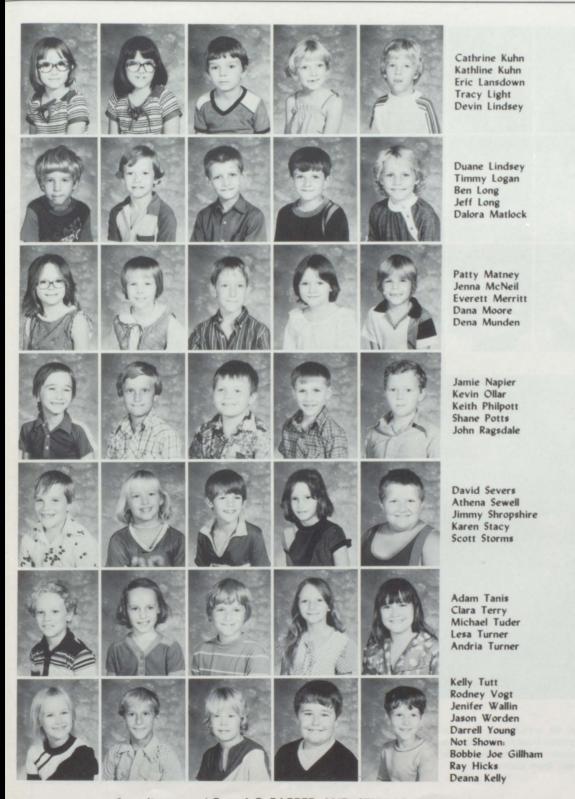
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reading and playing baseball.

Reading easily took top position, with arithmetic and writing coming in as their second choices. Jimmy Shropshire, Mike Fanning, Michael Tuders, Kevin Delargy, and Nancee Clouse all picked reading as the most important thing they had learned.

Sports also was a popular answer. Lance Adamson considered learning to play baseball important, just as Jimmy Freeman insisted learning to play football was important.

Karen Stacy considered it very important to not play with matches or fires, and Wanda Steele concluded that learning to work was the most important thing she has learned. Jayme DeChenne stated that learning about Jesus Christ was most important to him, and Andria Turner decided that ". . . obeying my mom and dad "was the most important for her.



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A future artist lurks somewhere in the third grade at Laura Ingalls Wilder Elementary School. He isn't very hard to find. Just ask for Darren Campie.

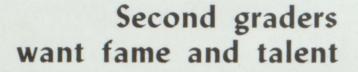
He hasn't really thought a great deal about his future yet, but right now he is thinking about being an artist.

He spends his spare time drawing and playing with cars. Darren says that he loves to draw cars, especially hot rods, but he likes to draw old fashioned models, too. His favorite type of real car differs a little from that, since he likes Corvettes.

Darren also has other interests. He is involved in baseball, and his best subjects in school are spelling and math.

Another collection around Darren's house is animals, in fact, you could almost call it a menagerie. He reports having a dog, a cat, a horse, lots of rabbits, chickens, and a goat.

Darren is rather outnumbered when it comes to family. He has three sisters - Christine, Ruthie, and Cathy.



All little children dream about who they would be if they had the chance, so when the second graders were asked, "If you could be anyone else in the world, who would it be?", they naturally gave back some

famous personalities. Singers and actors such as Elvis Presley and Henry "Fonzie" Winkler were predominent in the results. Floyd Turley, Alvin Underwood, and Mike Bogart all confessed that they would like to be

Jesse Allen Derrick Bell Mike Bogart Marc Brazeal Jeanne Bryan Kristy Burnett Scott Cantrell

**Bobby** Clanton Paul Clark **Bradley Cruse** Kim Davis Greg Dedmon Benjie Dennis Shelly Detherage

**Tommy Dugger** Stephanie Duncan Donna Durham Christi Evans Melissa Farris Vickie Franks Christina Gage

ABOVE: Second graders work hard on an assignment. They are, clockwise from left, Shelly Detherage, Stephanie Duncan, Julie Jurewicz, Marc Brazeal, Clay Thompson, Stoney Scheer, and Kim Davis. RIGHT: Kevin Hall and Scott Cantrell take a break from classwork.





Elvis because they wanted to sing. Tammy Piland thought that being Dolly Parton would be nice.

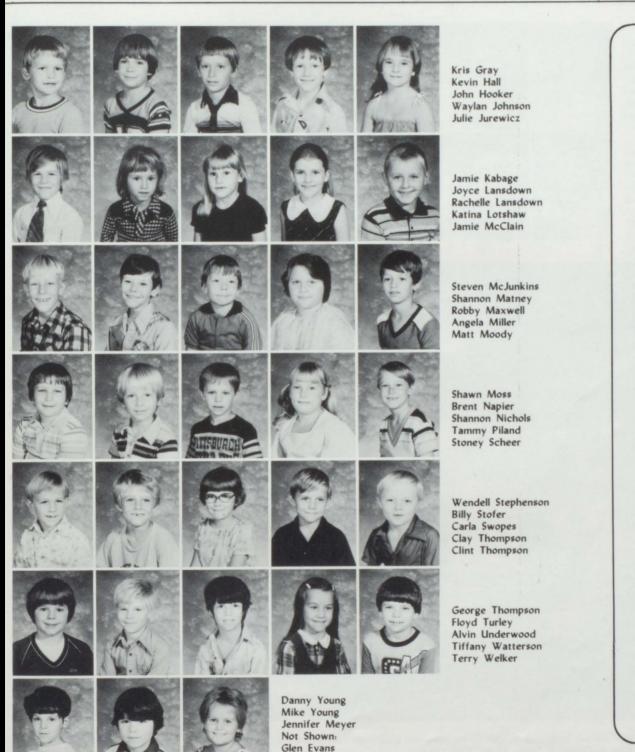
Kevin Hall wants to be the television character "Enos" because "he's on T.V.", Benjie Dennis wants to be "Bo Duke" of "The Dukes of Hazzard" because he has a good car that can jump.

Of course, there were selections that were less popular than actors and singers, ranging from an author to a baseball players wife. Kristi Burnett would like to have been Mansfield's own Laura Ingalls Wilder. Angela Muller wanted to be George Brett's wife because the Kansas City Royal "is so cute."

In math the second graders begin to learn

to borrow and carry numbers, and take a review in addition and subtraction. They greatly improve their reading.

The second graders have Mrs. Jean Coday and Mrs. Josie Adamson as their teachers.



Who says that little kids aren't busy. Grownups aren't the only ones that are involved in clubs, sports, and housework. Christi Evans finds time to do a little bit of all these things, in addition to attending school and doing the things all little girls like to do.

Being active in the Brownies, playing basketball and baseball with her brothers, playing house, being a Mighty-Mite cheerleader, and cleaning her room at home keeps second grader Christi Evans going all the time.

She also likes collecting dolls - both tiny ones and stuffed ones. She doesn't really mind which, as long as they are pretty.

Christi has two brothers, Brent who is eleven years old, and Bart who is ten years old.

When she's not at school, Christi helps her mom clean the house and set the table.

Her best subjects in school are reading and math.

After high school, Christi hopes to go to college and also to become a mother and have three children.

Ben Hall Kim Lansdown Carla Morris

### First graders wish on a star

If you had one wish, what would it be? When the first graders were asked that question, they gave answers that were pretty practical. The most popular answers were for toys: dolls, footballs and soccerballs, and bikes were the popular picks. Teresa Lowe, Tiffany Lawson, and Crystal Pruitt said they would be happy with any doll, but Jennifer Greene and Janet Turley specified that they wanted "the doll that has

Jennifer Adams Jamie Barnett Melissa Carter Benjamin Choate Tommy Christeson Marny Clark Doug Coffman

Lisa Crawford Kristin Cummens Gina Davis Gene Dedmon Chris Dunn Serena Dunsmuir Christopher Farris





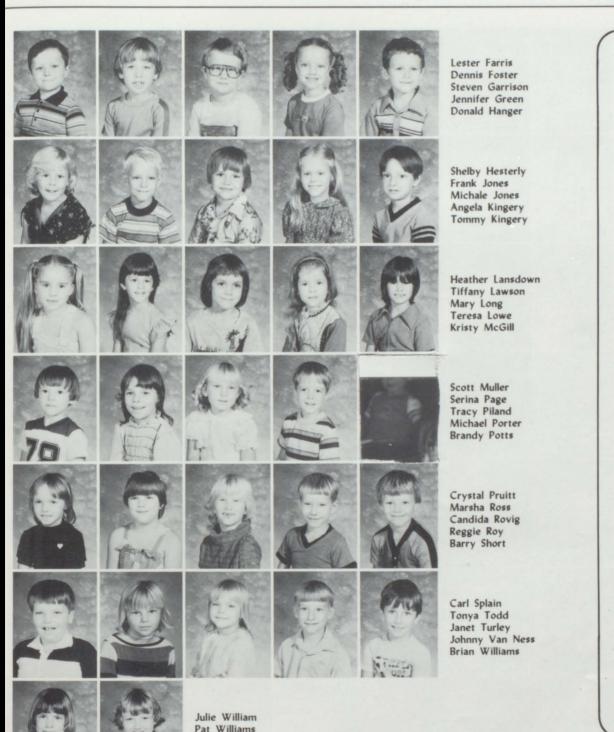
First graders take a break from making Valentines. They are, clockwise from left, Candida Rovig, Brandy Potts, Melissa Carter, Teresa Lowe, Scott Muller, Kristen Cummins, Tracy Piland, Kristy McGill.

a rash." Ben Choate said he'd wish for a football. Pets also ranked highly among the first graders wishes. Melissa Carter would like a cat, and so would Brian Williams. Dennis Foster, Chris Farris, and Serena Dunsmuir answered that it would be fun to have a dog. Horses also placed high on the list of several first graders: Christy McGill, Tommy Kingery, and Marcia Ross. Thinking on the big side were Angela Kingery, Gina Davis, and Michael Porter. Angela wants a new car, Gina claimed she would enjoy a new fur coat, and Michael Porter would settle for a million dollars.

In a normal school day the first graders

forget the wishes and begin hard work. They learn to read, and begin to add, subtract, count money, and tell time.

The first grade teachers are Mrs. Frances Coday and Mrs. Dorothy Wallace.



The first grade may be harboring a future art teacher. And she's not choosy. If she can't be an art teacher, she might just decide to teach gym instead.

Shelby Hesterly is the first grader with teaching on her mind. But until she gets a little older, she's keeping busy by helping out around the house, sometimes even fixing her father's lunch.

When Shelby has some free time, she likes to go outside and play with her dogs and cat. If it's windy, it's kite flying time for Shelby and her older brother Scott.

Being a Mighty-Mite football cheerleader was a big thrill for Shelby this year. She also attends Brownie meetings and sings in the childrens choir at the First Baptist Church.

Comic books are fairly common items for collectors. However, in addition to collecting comics, Shelby also has a large rubber band collection. Someday, she says. "We're going to make something out of rubber bands. We just don't know what yet!"

Not Shown: Margaret Jiles



### Kindergarten kids want to "help and holler"

A question often asked of little children is "What do you want to be when you grow up?" The kindergarten class was asked this question, and the most popular answers were policemen for boys and cheerleaders

### for girls.

Mrs. Kay Scrivner's class with 31 children had adventurous answers. Bradley Hanger stated that he wanted to be a rodeoman "because they ride cows," and Raymond Coombes thought that being

Jeff Alexander Stacey Arnall Angela Ballew Christopher Barba Christy Barber Clint Berry William Braton

Stefanie Brimm Matt Brown Clint Buchanan Lucy Calhoun Mark Clements Yvonna Climer Raymond Coombes

> Amy Compton Joey Conley Jamin Corder Becky Dake Melissa Day Marty Decker Mart Duncan

Steven Duncan Heather Fairbairn Stacy Frantz Jon Freeman Carrie Gray Nathan Green Barbara Hall

Scott Hall Bradley Hanger Robert Hendricks Brian Hodges Melissa Holt Jared Jones Jeremy Jones

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Annette Lansdown Denzl Matney Shawnya Matney David McDowell Joe McNeil Ryan Miller Patricia Millsap



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a fireman sounded fun. Some of the girls chose careers as artists and teachers. Jeri Moody thought being an artist would be fun because she wants to make beautiful pictures. Angela Ballew liked the idea of being a

#### teacher.

In Mrs. Kathryn Green's class consisting of 32 students, being a trucker sounded good to Shannon Page, while Patricia Millsap wanted to be an artist.

A chicken-catcher

seemed to be the life for Mart Duncan, for he likes to chase chickens. Becky Dake wanted to get rich by being a salesman girl.

Vicki Noble said she wants to be a drummer because she already knows how to drum, and Stacey Arnall thought that being "someone who takes flowers to people in the hospital" was a nice career.

Being a stuntman appealed to Jamin Corder and Jon Freeman, and Stephen Duncan wanted to be a farmer.



Jeri Moody Michelle Moody Jarrett Nichols Vicky Noble Shannon Page

Robbie Pierson Chris Rovig Jason Saylor Anne Scheer Rachel Tanis

Frances Terry Angela Underwood Kristi Vineyard Tawna Watterson David Young Not Shown: Amy Morris Heather Muller



ABOVE: Kindergarten students get lots of practice with crayons, scissors, and paste. They are, clockwise from left, Chris Rovig, Denzl Matney, Yvonna Climer, Stacy Frantz, Angie Underwood, Becky Dake, Annette Lansdown, Clint Buchanan, and Jared Jones. RIGHT: Bradley Hanger, a student in Mrs. Kay Scrivner's class.





Would you believe a kindergartner who can read a dictionary? Tawna Watterson says she does just that.

Dictionary reading is not the only thing Tawna can do. She says that she can skip "the best" and has proved it. One day at church, she won a candy bar and some M and M's by skipping the best in a race. Tawna attends the Highway Church of the Nazarene.

Along with becoming a champion at skipping, she hopes to get good at another sport that is popular with children her age - jumping rope.

Through Tawna's busy schedule of watching cartoons and helping her brother Travis practice basketball, she manages to help out at home. She helps clean house and helps her mother take dishes out of the dishwasher.

What does she want to be in the future? "A nurse," she answers. "It's fun and you get to deliver babies and stuff like that."

Along with her brother, she has one sister, Tiffany, one dog, Lady, and three puppies, Luke, Duke, and Uncle Jesse.

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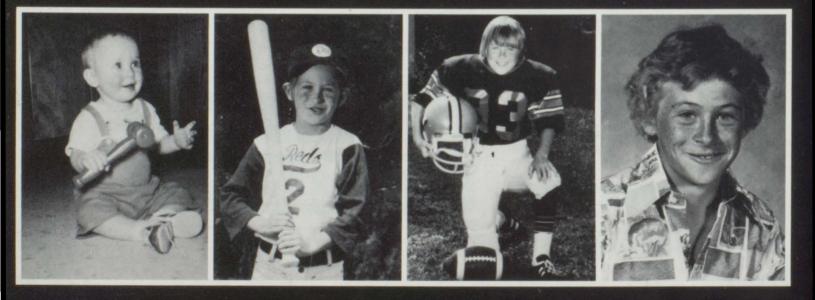
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GUY WORTHINGTON

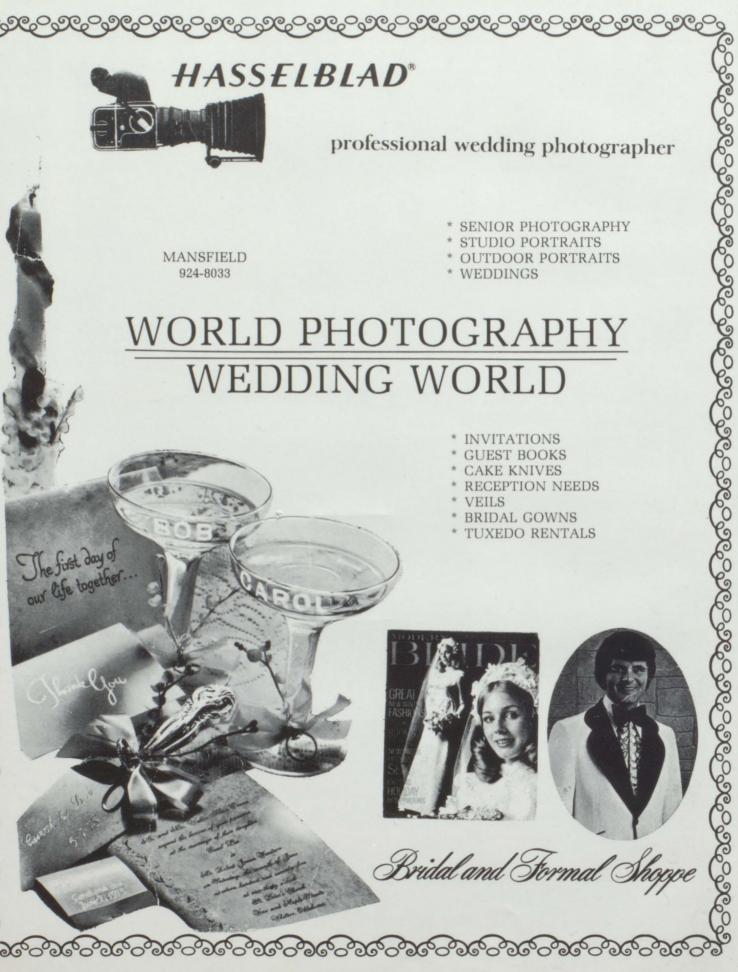


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## LOOK BACK

Take a look backwards.

The 1981 school year has left memories not soon to be forgotten. Memories of crazy times, happy times, sad times, all shared together with others.

"Together in spirit" is more than just a phrase we chose for the yearbook. It is a way of life at MHS. Just look about you - see the many kinds of togetherness everywhere that maybe you have overlooked in the past.

What is a better example of togetherness than a team? Not necessarily an athletic team.

highest honor that can be given to a school newspaper, they proved that working hard together as a team can bring about successful results.

There were many other group efforts that were known for their togetherness as well, such as the boys' and girls' basketball teams: the track, volleyball, and softball teams: the science, English, business, and shop contestants; the FFA teams . . . the list goes on. Just many other examples of how everyone at MHS is together in spirit.



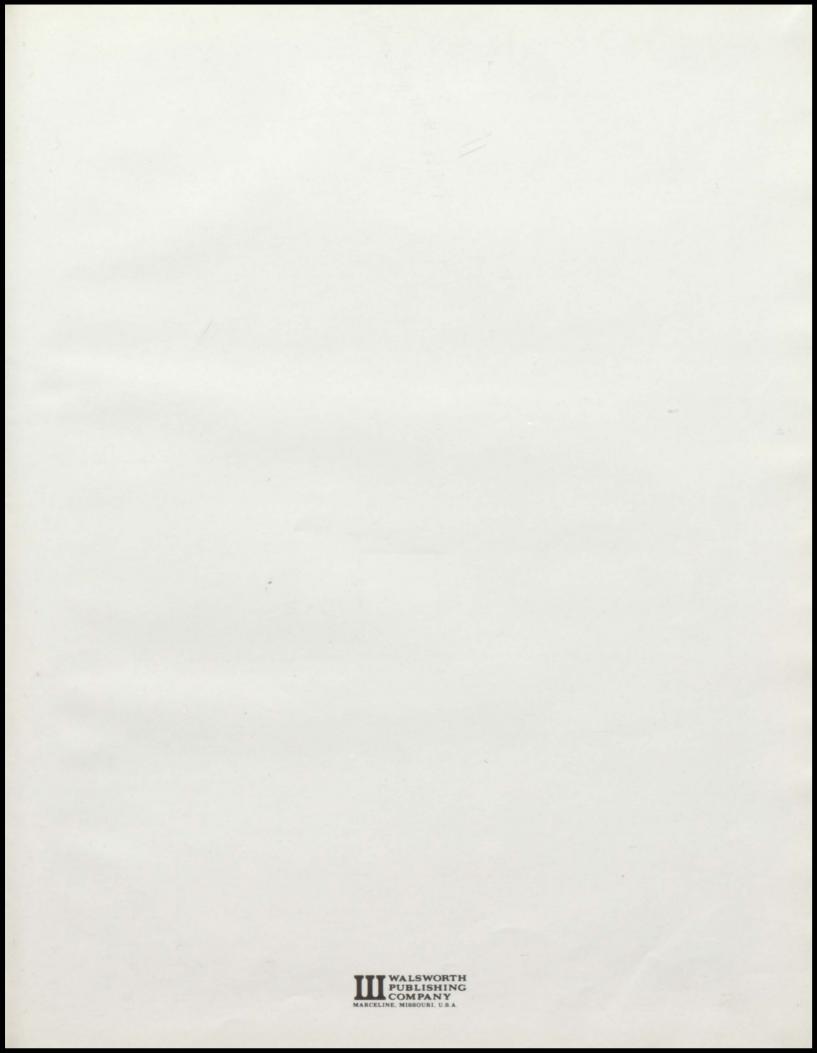
but any group of people who strive towards a common goal. Each individual putting out a big effort to reach the goal, working together with other individuals to accomplish it . . . the feeling of doing something worthwhile and doing a good job at it is a feeling worth sharing with others.

This kind of togetherness (or teamwork) is easily seen at MHS. A good example of this is our baseball team. They set a goal, worked at it, and accomplished it. By working together, they won 20 consecutive games, something never before done at MHS. With an outstanding record of 20-2, they showed that they always remained together in spirit.

Another team that people sometimes take for granted or overlook is the "Lion's Gazette" staff. By being awarded "All-Missouri", the The last bit of togetherness during the 1981 school year is lying in your hands. Many hours of hard work went into this book, although you may not realize it. But by working together as a staff, and staying together to make this yearbook the best we could, we became closer friends. We remained together — together in spirit to make this something that will help you remember how you and everyone else at MHS were during 1981.

As you thumb through the pages of this book years from now, perhaps you will remember how closely knit our high school was at that time. Perhaps you will wonder if the togetherness is still there at an MHS that has probably changed very much since you were roaming its halls.

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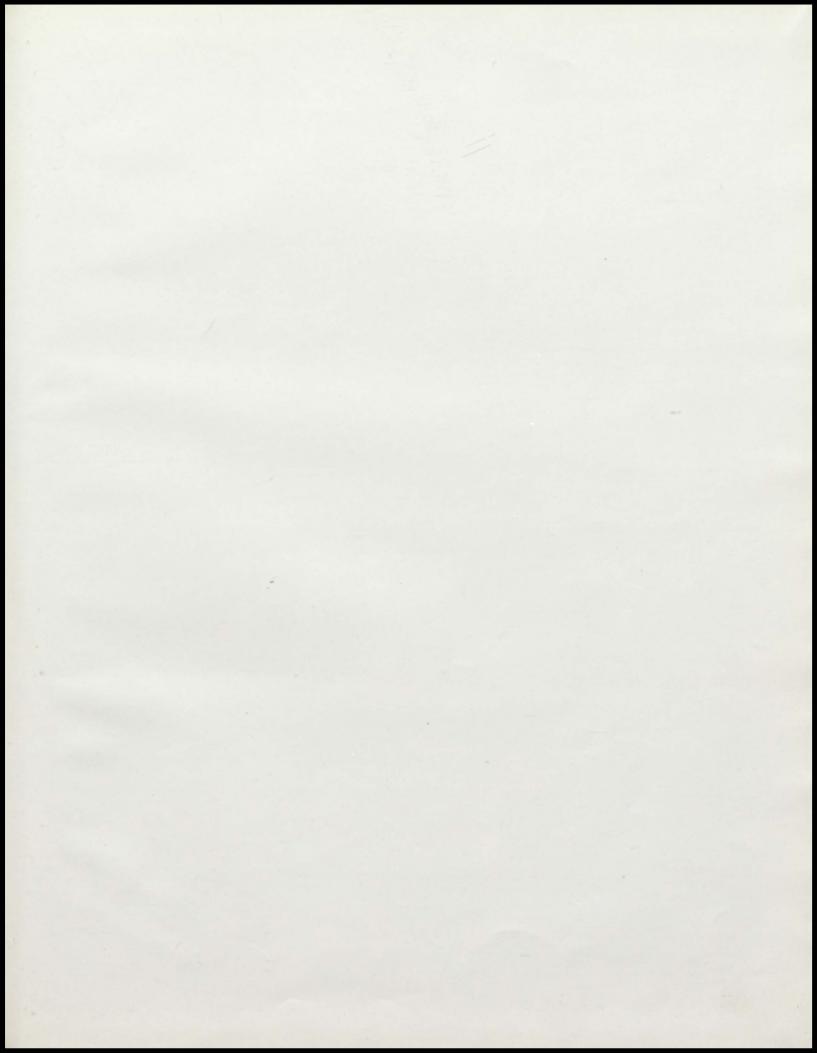


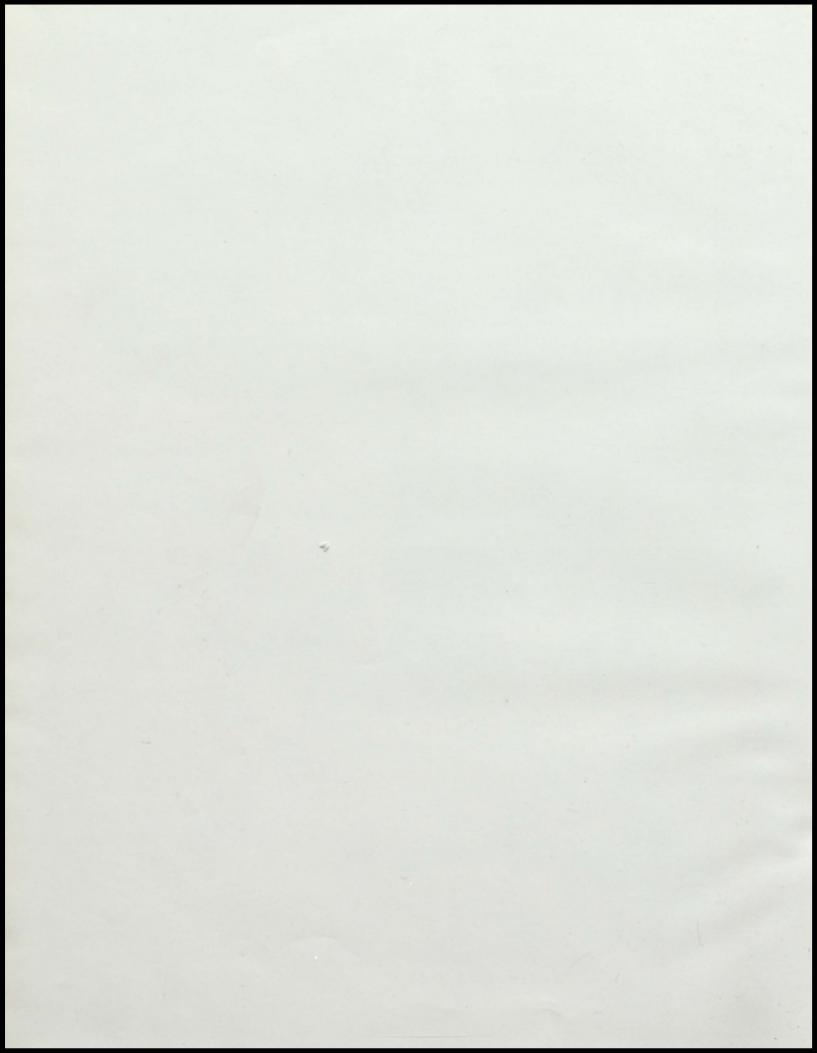
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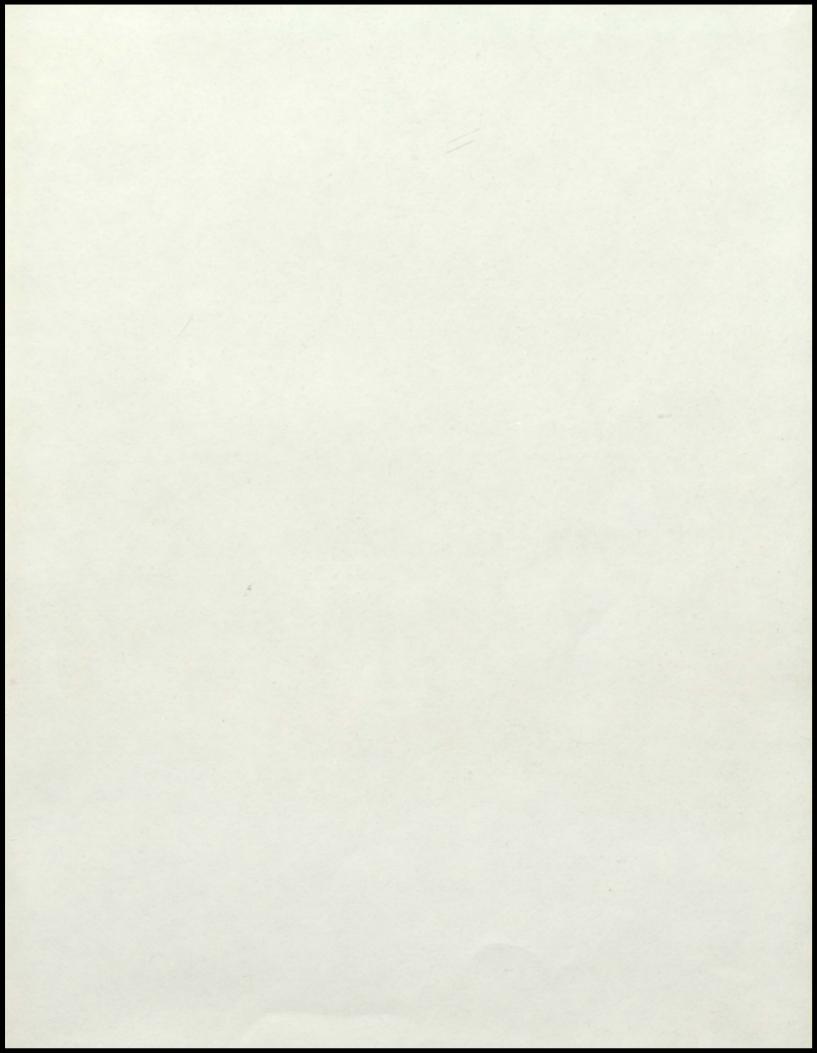
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