

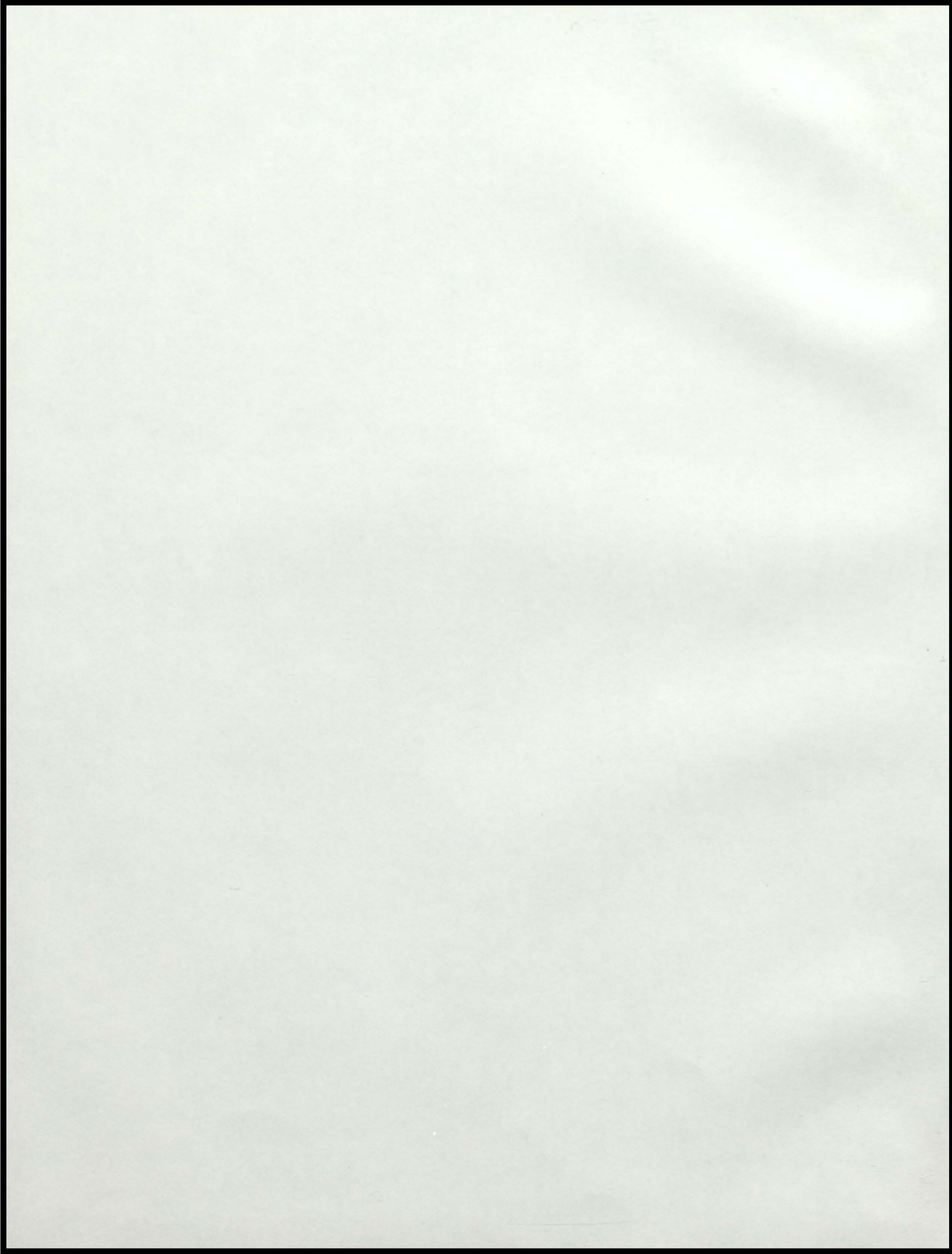


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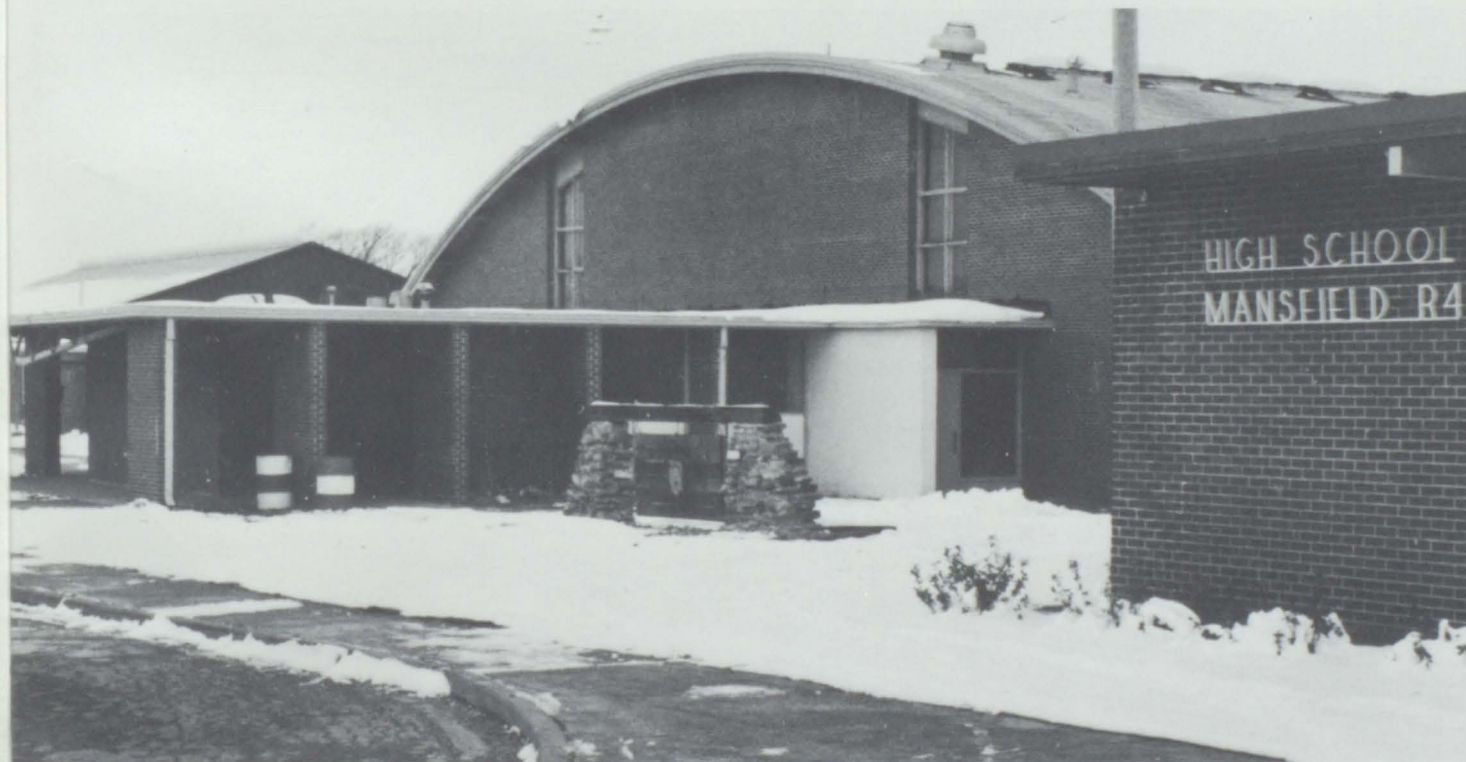




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School  
activities,  
like  
everything  
else, are  
constantly  
changing  
with the times

*In the middle of a cluster of colorful balloons, Charlotte Clark rests for a moment at the school carnival.*



*Band members march in Mansfield's Wilder Days Centennial celebration, marking the town's one hundredth birthday.*



*Sporting punk-style outfits during spirit week, Mindy Brazeal and Stacey Bruce walk to their next class.*



Change. It seems to be everywhere, and school is included.

Old activities change, become more in tune with the times. New events arrive on the scene.

During the 1983 school year, with much celebration Mansfield ventured into the second hundred years of its existence.

Other things happened to signal change. In conjunction with the basketball season, spirit week included "punk day" for the first time. At the Junior Olympics, sportsmanship was emphasized rather than winning. And the pom pon girls escaped the gymnasium, entering a competition at Kansas City.



*At the Junior Olympics freshman team members anxiously await the results of a relay race.*

*Huddled for warmth under a half-dozen pairs of pom pons, Robin Clark waits for Mansfield's turn to perform at a cold Worlds of Fun in Kansas City.*

*Because of an early afternoon game time, MHS students are excused from class to watch the first round of the district baseball tournament.*

## Changing with the times

At MHS, it's not just the kids that like to let go and act silly once in a while. The teachers like to get in on the act, too.

Maybe in the past Mansfield teachers were dignified all the time, but not this year.

At the CTA Carnival, most of the junior and senior high school teachers let likenesses of them be drawn on posterpaper for a dart throwing game, a money-maker for the seniors.

At Junior Olympics, the teachers were right in there with the rest of the teams, looking just as crazy, and trying just as hard to win.

When the Pep Club sponsored a week of costume days, the teachers went all out, looking just as nerdy and punk as anyone.



Science teacher Glen Boyer hurries in the shoe relay at Junior Olympics.

With their caricatures ready for dart throwing at the CTA Carnival, Mrs. Debbie Arnall and Eric Spyres pose under their look-alikes.



Struggling to win points for the faculty team, Dan Lawson and Miss Joann Newberry are part of the Junior Olympics wheelbarrow race.



Mrs. Jean Nelson, Miss Stephanie Wright, Mrs. Kay Goss, and Mrs. Rachel Kluthe try to look seriously absurd for Punk Day.

With a wig and other added features, ag instructor Gene Cravens participates in FFA initiation, as does Mike Henry, right.

Nerd Day participant Mrs. Judy Middleton flashes a typical nerd smile while slouching appropriately.

*Through rows of empty chairs, Cathey Kabage and Chet Whorton practice the graduation processional.*

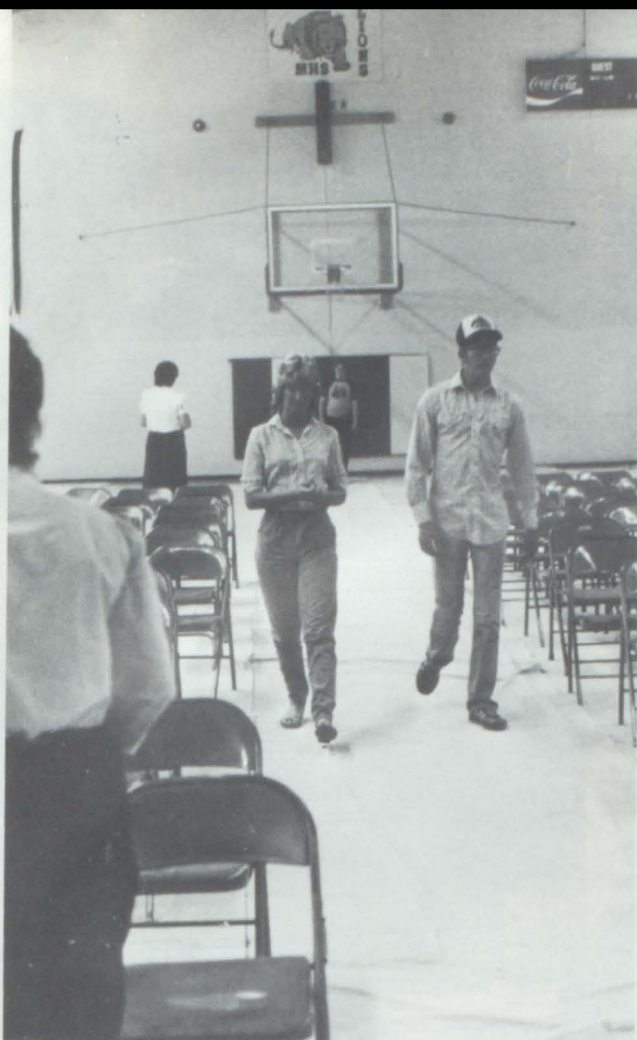
*For the first time, graduation ceremonies are recorded on video tape.*



*Senior girls get last minute directions on the graduation ceremony.*

*A lull in the graduation rehearsal means a chance to talk for a while.*





## Changing with the times

The faces change, but the ceremony stays the same. Well, almost.

Graduation practice is traditionally a relaxed time for seniors, a time to dress casually, and a time to visit as a group for one of the last times.

However, graduation has made a change to fit the '80's. Classes try to give the occasion a special touch, something to make it their's alone.

The old tradition of having a guest speaker has been dropped in favor of student speakers.

And this year, the MHS graduation was filmed on video tape, a real change.



*During graduation practice, one of the last times they will be together as a group, the senior boys find something to laugh about.*

## Changing with the times

When it began 10 years ago, the pom pon squad was a distant relative of what it has become today.

From homemade uniforms to sharp purchased attire, from a few hours of practice a year to at least an hour every day, from simple routines to intricate ones learned at summer camp - things have changed.

And in 1983, the pom pon squad found itself performing in a drill team competition at Worlds of Fun in Kansas City. Ratings were given rather than prizes, and the MHS group scored 91 points out of 100.

Although it was a cold spring day, the girls and their routine (the same one they performed at the Homecoming ballgame) were warmly received by the large crowd in attendance.



*Waiting for their turn to perform, the girls watch another group from the sidelines.*

*Reeda Rippee and Kim Calhoun try to talk each other out of being nervous.*

*A ripple movement during the routine requires a high degree of concentration.*



*Janie Nichols and Kelly Hensy smile at the crowd, knowing the judges will be looking at facial expressions.*

*Pom pon squad members listen intently to last minute instructions from sponsor Mrs. Kathy Barnett.*



*Knees on the cold pavement, the girls end the routine with a flourish.*



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# ACTIVITIES

Some activities have been around as long as there has been a Mansfield High School. Others are relative newcomers.

In any case, whether it be a carnival or a concert, a dance or a dinner, a pageant or a prom, the events are usually in a constant state of change, adjusting each year to meet the particular needs of the current student body.

Some of the more obvious changes - Library Club was discontinued, square dancing was added to Barnwarming, the drama department was dismantled and no play was presented, and Future Homemakers of America quit having year-long secret pals.

A not so obvious change, but one that was there nevertheless, was the fact that part-time jobs kept many students from participating in as many extra-curricular activities as they might want.







Yearbook Royalty  
Paula Wingo  
Jackie McCleary

*Freshman Candidates*  
Patricia Peterson  
Danny Hylton



## Juniors reign as yearbook royalty

Being a yearbook king or queen candidate for your class is so simple.

All that you have to do is get all dressed up, get the nervous jitters at the photographers, and try to pose for the best picture you've ever had in your life.

Juniors Jackie McCleary and Paula Wingo were chosen as the most attractive couple from the four couples representing the high school classes.

After professional portraits were sent for judging to the KY-3 Television News Team in Springfield, Jackie and Paula were selected to reign as 1983 El Leon King and Queen.

The other candidates were seniors Lori VanHook and Donnie Dennis, sophomores Mike Henry and Melissa Bogart, and freshmen Patricia Peterson and Danny Hylton.

Judges from KY-3 included Tony Beason, Jim Ware, Joyce Reed, and Sindy Giano.



*Sophomore Candidates*  
Melissa Bogart  
Mike Henry



*Senior Candidates*  
Lori VanHook  
Donnie Dennis

Carnival royalty. Front, Barry Short, Elizabeth Smith, Gary Greene, Heather Krider. Back, Greg Kirkland, Cissy Mitchell, Susan Zorsch, Timmy Brooke.



## Fall Festival Carnival returns as popular event

It was such a success that once wasn't enough.

So by popular demand, the Community Teachers Association sponsored the second-annual Fall Festival Carnival.

Virtually every class and club in the elementary, junior high, and high school participated in the event, which grossed over \$2000.

In a change from last year because of over-crowding, food and game booths were set up not only in the multi-purpose room, but also in nearby classrooms.

The big event for the night was the King and Queen contest. There were four divisions for the entire school. Two people were selected from each class (the older grades elected, younger ones were picked at random). Voting was done by putting 25 cents in the candidate's jar.

Juniors Greg Kirkland and Cissy Mitchell were the high school winners. Timmy Brooke and Susan Zorsch, seventh graders, won the junior high division.

Fifth graders Gary Greene and Heather Krider were the winners of the grades four through six division.

Third graders Barry Short and Elizabeth Smith won the kindergarten through third grade division.

Other candidates were seniors Kellie Cunningham and Mark Quessenberry, sophomores Jenny Noble and Tim Barnum, freshmen Gail Smith and Dwight

Young, eighth graders Jackie Batchellor and Scott Tipling, sixth graders Lawanda Young and Aaron Gray, fourth graders Tiffany Watterson and Marc Brazeal, second graders Stephanie Brimm and Scott Hall, first graders Cheri Sharp and Randall Roy, and kindergarten students Lisa Hyde and Joey Allen.

*A dripping wet Travis Watterson comes up with an apple for a prize.*





*Trisha Perry carefully tries to get a bite on her line at the fish pond.*

*Throwing darts at teacher caricatures, Kenny Moody hits the mark. Della Allmon is in charge of the booth.*



*Surrounded by the piñata creations of the art classes, Rosie Borders and Denise Robinson find time to visit.*

*Lance Johnson takes steady aim at the Science Club pool shoot.*

*The prospects of winning a goldfish brings a steady stream of customers to this game operated by Mrs. Connie Bishop.*



*Steven Starrett tries to dart back into position between Rebecca Bennett and Jean Magdziarz during square dancing.*



*Eating popcorn while blindfolded proves tricky for John Magdziarz and Kelly Hensy.*



*Two rings of dancers respond to some simplified square dance moves.*

## Square dancing returns to spice up Barnwarming

"Swing your partner and promenade home."

Those simple words caused confusion and laughs at the FFA-FHA Barnwarming held in late October.

Barnwarming 1982 had a new twist that really wasn't so new. Square dancing was featured in this annual activity held in the multi-purpose room. Years ago, square dancing was an integral part of Barnwarming, but in recent years rock music had taken over. This year the future farmers and homemakers decided to return to square dancing, at least in part.

A professional group from Seymour, the "Apple Swingers," did several demonstration dances and then split up, joined the rest of the crowd, and helped them learn the calls.

Most people soon found that what the pros made look disgustingly easy was actually tricky and complex unless preceded by hours of practice. However, with the help of the "Apple Swingers," some simple calls and dances were learned.

After the square dancing, the eight king and queen candidates matched up in several games, including feeding each other popcorn while blindfolded.

Later, freshman Danny Hylton and junior Cissy Mitchell were crowned king and queen with cowboy hats, a practice that was started last year.

Royalty was chosen by the penny-a-vote method after being

nominated by their classes. Other candidates were seniors Kent Hedrick and Michele Rummens, junior Kent Bennett, sophomores Kelly Hensy and John Magdziarz, and freshman Coleena Anderson.

Following the coronation, rock music was played for dancing. Refreshments of sandwiches and apple cider were served, compliments of FHA members.



*Square dancing leads to giggles for Becky Stofer and Craig Carter. Behind them are Kelly Hensy and Alan Morris.*

*Barnwarming royalty. Clockwise from top, Cissy Mitchell and Danny Hylton, queen and king; Michele Rummens and Kent Hedrick; Coleena Anderson and Kent Bennett; John Magdziarz and Kelly Hensy.*



*Mexican pair Jason Bennett and Stacy Arnall, complete with a piñata, explain their type of Christmas to elf Evan Kinser.*



*Deidra Barnett, as Mrs. Santa Claus, tells about Christmas at her house. Bryon Ivy is Santa's elf.*



*Frosty the Snowman, alias Adam Bryan, tells his story to the children.*

*First grade students wave goodbye to Frosty the Snowman at the end of their performance.*



## Program features Christmas in other countries

Hundreds of relatives and friends attended the elementary Christmas program featuring grades one, two, and five.

Each of the three grades performed several holiday songs under the direction of music teacher Mrs. Connie Bishop.

Narrator for the program was Gary Greene, and Santa Claus and his wife were Jason Worden and Deidra Barnett. Adam Bryan danced around the stage as Frosty the Snowman.

Santa's elves were Byron Ivy, James Tonkinson, Amy Morris, Patricia Millsap, Carrie Gray,

Melanie Downs, Tawna Watterson, Kristi Vineyard, and Evan Kinser.

Special costumes and props helped some students represent far-away countries.

The people of Germany were Jimmy Freeman and Lesa Turner, dressed Bavarian-style in browns and greens.

Italy was represented by Ricky Kirshfield and Dena Kelly. They wore costumes of black, white, and red.

The people of Ireland, Tracy Light and Matt Calhoun, were dressed in bright Irish green.

Costumes of red and black lace and ruffles were worn by Stacey Arnall and Jason Bennett, the Mexican pair.

English characters Heather Muller, Jeremy Jones, and Jared Jones were dressed in knickers and muffers.

The United States people, in traditional American clothes, were Randall Roy, Cheri Sharp, and Adam Tanis.

Mrs. Dorothy Mitchell was the piano accompanist for the program.

Second graders Vicki Noble, Amy Compton, Candise Lucas, Angela Ballew, and Jeri Moody dance to a Christmas tune.



Tracy Light and Matt Calhoun tell how Christmas is celebrated in Italy.



Bryon Ivy, Patricia Millsap, Amy Morris, Carrie Gray, Melanie Downs, and Tawna Watterson play the roles of Santa's elves.

Music teacher Mrs. Connie Bishop directs Ryan Miller, Miles Keith, and Steven Duncan on the base and alto xylophones.

*Homecoming Queen Brenda Miller reigns over the 1983 festivities. Her court, from left, is Jacque Guccione, Jean Magdziarz, Lesia Durham, Clinton Berry, and Jeri Moody.*

*Freshman candidate Brenda Miller is escorted to center court by Joe Sherrill. In the background are Theresa Keith and Brett Dennis.*



*The traditional bracelet is presented to Homecoming Queen Brenda Miller by master of ceremonies James Welch.*

*To begin the junior varsity game, Garland Dotson jumps to try to get the ball under Lion control.*





## Freshman candidate wins Homecoming title

Freshman Brenda Miller accomplished something that a freshman hasn't done for 13 years. She was crowned Homecoming queen.

Brenda was chosen by a vote of the high school student body.

Brenda was escorted by senior Joe Sherrill, who gave her the traditional kiss after she was crowned. Brenda was also presented with a bouquet of flowers and a bracelet from the Student Council.

Decorations for Homecom-

ing were silver and midnight blue, and stars decorated the background. The theme for the event was "Just You and I," taken from a song by Eddie Rabbit and Crystal Gayle.

Ballplayers, pom pon girls, and cheerleaders participated in the processional and the formation through which the candidates walked. Because of a shortage of escort's a few other junior and senior boys also participated.

Other candidates for Homecoming Queen were Jac-

que Guccione, senior; Jean Magdziarz, junior; and sophomore Lesia Durham. Crown bearer and flower girl were Clinton Berry and Jeri Moody. James Welch was emcee.

Following the coronation, the varsity team beat the Fordland Eagles 61-57.

After the varsity game, a dance was held for MHS students and alumni in the multi-purpose room. Music was presented by Music Force from Mtn. Grove and was sponsored by Student Council.

*High over the hurdles, freshman Becky Dennis sets the time to beat in the obstacle course.*

*Fighting hard, the faculty team manages to beat the seniors.*



## Funny sights abound at Junior Olympics

Some of the strangest sights imaginable were visible at the fifth annual Junior Olympics.

Watching faculty members and high school students roll peanuts with their noses, ride tricycles, and play leap frog offered lots of opportunities for laughs.

Eleven events, ranging from serious to hilarious, made up the Olympics, which was held in late March as a fund raiser for the Junior Class.

Overall winners of the Olympics were the seniors who took first in the tricycle race, leap frog, ping pong relay, wheelbarrow race, shoe relay, and getting to school on time relay.

The junior team placed second, winning first in the Jimmy Carter peanut roll, basketball free throws, and tying with the faculty in the getting-dressed race. The faculty team came in third, winning the tug of war. Fourth place went to the sophomores, and the freshmen (winners of the obstacle course) took last place.

However, by showing the most class spirit and good sportsmanship, the freshman team was the recipient of the first sportsmanship plaque awarded at the event.

Faculty team members were

Glen Boyer, Gene Garrison, Max Greene, Ron Kreisel, Dan Lawson, Jim Nichols, Debbie Arnall, Kay Goss, Debbie Letsinger, Joann Newberry, Stacey Putnam, and Stephanie Wright.

Team members for the seniors were Mark Cox, Jeff Cruse, Donnie Dennis, Kent Hedrick, Wayne Oliver, Joe Quick, Joe Sherrill, Mindy Brazeal, Gwen Carter, Jacque Guccione, Janie Nichols, Vicki Smith, Lori VanHook and Lori Williams.

The junior team consisted of Jeff Cornelius, Cam Fairbairn, Donnie Kelley, Greg Kirkland, Jackie McCleary, Alan Morris, Ronnie Rebura, Kim Calhoun,

Kitty Conley, Jean Magdziarz, Cissy Mitchell, Sheila Smith, Shelli Top, and Paula Wingo.

Sophomores in the Olympics were Tim Barnum, Don Brennan, John Carter, Mike Henry, John Magdziarz, Bryan Matlock, Steve Starrett, Melissa Bogart, Stacey Bruce, Kelly Hensy, Carla Stanifer, Becky Stofer, Michelle Taylor, and Jacqueline VanNess.

Freshman team members were Edward Colston, Brett Dennis, Mike Dodson, Danny Hylton, Kenny Moody, Shannon Watterson, Dwight Young, Rebecca Bennett, Becky Dennis, Rhonda Hedrick, Missy Lair, Brenda Miller, Kim Price, and Gail Smith.



*The senior team sported a distinctive style of dress for the Olympics, including headbands, sunglasses, and leis as part of their outfits.*



*As the business end of a wheelbarrow, freshman Gail Smith is assisted by teammate Dwight Young.*



*Decked out in pink tutus, juniors Mark Cruse and Garland Dotson carry in the Olympic torches.*

*Concentration shows on the face of senior Lori Williams as she goes through the tire portion of the obstacle course.*



Young Miss Mansfield  
Deidra Barnett

Miss Mansfield  
Stacey Bruce

Little Miss Mansfield  
Julie Williams

Junior Miss Mansfield  
Brenda Miller

## Stacey Bruce wins Miss Mansfield title

Sophomore Stacey Bruce was selected from a field of 14 contestants to reign for a year as Miss Mansfield.

Winners in the other divisions were freshman Brenda Miller, fifth grader Deidra Barnett, and third grader Julie Williams.

Judges from out-of-town looked for poise, smiles, good posture, an appealing appear-

ance, and a pleasant attitude. The pageant is sponsored each year by the Future Homemakers of America.

Any girl attending Mansfield Schools is eligible to enter the contest. Each of the four divisions were composed of three grades. Little Miss Mansfield was open to grades 1,2,3. Young Miss Mansfield was for grades 4,5, and 6. Junior Miss

Mansfield contestants were from grades 7,8, and 9; and girls in grades 10, 11 and 12 were eligible for Miss Mansfield.

*Gina Box, third runner-up; Deidra Barnett, Young Miss Mansfield; Deana Kelly, second runner-up; and Maxi Sharp, first runner-up.*



*Elizabeth Bingham, third runner-up; Julie Williams, Little Miss Mansfield; Jacque Lansdown, first runner-up; and Kristy McGill, second runner-up.*



*Missy Clark, first runner-up; Reeda Rippee, third runner-up; Stacey Bruce, Miss Mansfield; and Cissy Mitchell, second runner-up.*

*Launa Matlock, third runner-up; Brenda Miller, Junior Miss Mansfield; Angie Durham, second runner-up; and Michelle Ballew, first runner-up.*

Senior Class Will items are read by Joe Quick, Wayne Oliver, and Mark Cox.

The reading of the senior prophecy meets with mixed reactions.

Moving through the buffet line, there are many choices to be made.



## Hawaiian atmosphere sets mood for Prom

Sea shells, starfish, wicker baskets, fish nets, anchors, and brightly colored leis provided a Hawaiian atmosphere for the 1983 Junior-Senior Prom.

Held in the Springfield Sheraton Grand Ballroom, the

theme for the evening was "We've Got Tonight." Approximately 150 people attended the event.

To host the Prom for the seniors, the Junior Class had raised almost \$4000 by selling 300 cases of candy bars and by holding the annual Junior Olympics.

One of the most popular parts of the evening was a thirty-minute slide show of school events which had been set to music by Dave Moore of World Photography. The slides were shown during the buffet meal, which featured roast round of beef and baked ham.

Seniors Gary Holmes and Vicki Smith were crowned Prom King and Queen, chosen earlier by a secret ballot vote of the Junior Class.

The program included a welcome by Junior Class President Ronnie Rebura, and a response on behalf of the seniors by class president Mary Van Eaton.

The prophecy for the seniors was presented by juniors Kim Calhoun, Kitty Conley, and Jean Magdziarz; the class will was read by seniors Mark Cox, Wayne Oliver, and Joe Quick.

As a special memento of the

occasion, the juniors provided glasses which were imprinted with the theme and other Prom information and were presented to the juniors, seniors, faculty, and school board members.

Junior sponsors Mrs. Debbie Arnall and Mrs. Kay Goss and senior sponsor Mrs. Judy Middleton were given gifts from their respective classes.

Following the program, a dance was held featuring music by Hunter. Hunter was formerly called Mirror, and had played at the MHS Prom for the last three years. Participation in the dancing started out very slowly, with many in attendance content to sit and listen to the music rather than dance. However, later in the evening the dance floor was a crowded place to be, especially during the slower songs.

This year, instead of taking photographs of couples inside the ballroom, Mr. Moore set up outside in the large atrium area which featured several lounge areas, lots of plants, and an indoor pool and sauna.

The atrium offered the opportunity for couples to stroll and be able to talk, away from the loud music inside the ballroom.



A dip in the pool is offered to Nancy Anderson by her date, Mike Burnett.

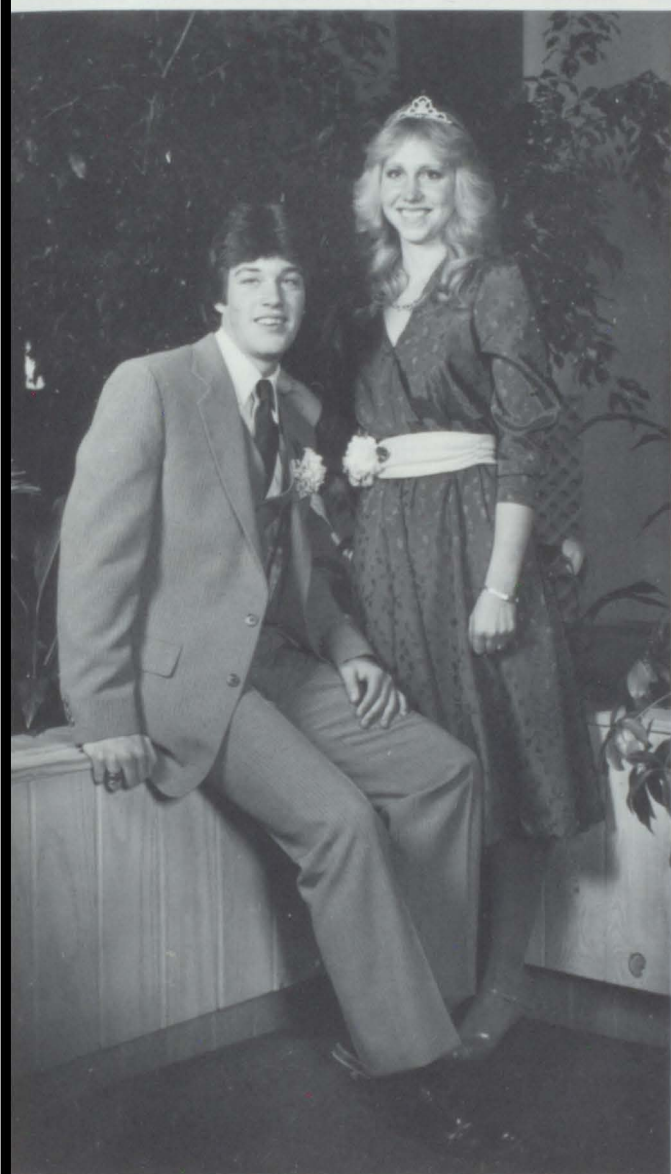


*Junior Class President Ronnie Rebura presents sponsor Mrs. Debbie Arnall with a necklace from the class.*

*The end of the evening finds many couples dancing to a slow tune.*



*A prophecy for the seniors is read by Kim Calhoun, Kitty Conley, and Jean Magdziarz.*



*Joe Quick and Paula Wingo dance to the music of Hunter.*

*Gary Holmes and Vicki Smith are the 1983 Prom King and Queen.*

*The dance music was enjoyed by more than just the students, as English teacher Mrs. Kay Goss and husband Greg illustrate.*



## Long years end with a few short minutes

The thirteen years of homework, tests, practices, and competitions came down to a few short minutes.

Baccalaureate and Commencement, the final events of high school for 49 students, were held May 15 and 16.

*Vicki Smith and Deirdra Sickels share a happy moment after the ceremony.*



"What we are to be, we are now becoming," was the motto chosen by the class.

Glenn Dasmalchi achieved the distinction of being named valedictorian of his class. The salutatorian was Steven Day. Other honor graduates (grade points of over 9.5 on an 11 point scale) were Terri Carr, Reeda Rippee, Michele Rummens, Joe Sherrill, Vicki Smith, Nolan Snider, and Mary VanEaton.

Rev. Marc Magana from the Methodist Church delivered the Baccalaureate message, and pianist Mrs. Dorothy Mitchell played the processional and recessional.

Also participating in the service were Rev. Dick Bishop, Rev. Ronnie Baker, and Rev. Paul Buchanan.

A group consisting of Vicki Smith, Janie Nichols, Michele Rummens, Della Allmon, Grace Paxton, and Reeda Rippee sang as part of the service.

Continuing a Commen-

cement practice begun last year, each senior girl was presented a white rose by the boy she walked in with.

Following the invocation by Gwen Carter, a welcome was given by class officer Doug Stofer.

After the presentation of honor cords to the honor graduates by senior sponsor Mrs. Judy Middleton, the featured speakers were Glenn Dasmalchi and Steven Day.

High School Principal Gene Garrison recognized scholarship winners, and then Superintendent Robert Perry and Board of Education President Johnny Watterson presented diplomas.

After the singing of the school song, Gary Holmes gave the benediction.

Class colors were dark blue and light blue, and the class flower was the white rose.

*High School Principal Gene Garrison presents scholarship awards totaling \$10,000 to Glenn Dasmalchi.*

*Salutatorian Steven Day speaks to the large graduation audience.*



*A welcome speech is given on behalf of the graduates by Doug Stofer.*





*Relaxed and happy once the ceremony is over, Janie Nichols clutches her cap, flower and diploma*

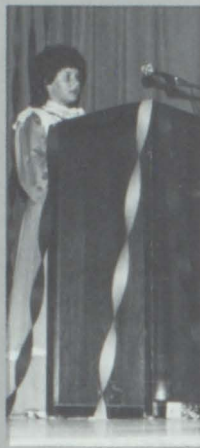
*One of nine honor students, Michele Rummens receives her honor cord from Mrs. Judy Middleton, senior sponsor.*



*Class members who marched in first stand at attention while the rest of the class comes in.*

*Eighth graders spend much of the school day getting the graduation decorations just right.*

*Part of the program included, from left, Bobby Page, vocal solo; Michelle Ballew, speech; Brett Neal, speech; and Stephanie Eidson, vocal solo.*



## Eighth grade graduates show off talents

Eighth grade graduation was a time to show off the talents of many singers, pianists, and speakers.

Before a gymnasium filled with relatives and friends, five eighth graders presented vocal solos. They were Mona Farris,

Bobby Page, Rona Baker, Stephanie Eidson, and Rhonda Cruse.

Piano soloists were Mica Watterson and Rhonda Bogart.

Featured speakers for the graduation ceremony were Brett Neal, Michelle Ballew, and Tommy Scott.

The motto for the class was "No one said it would be easy," and the graduation was held May 12.

Following an invocation by Becky Brennan, Jana Euler presented the welcome. In addition

to the musical entertainment, a poem was read by Tamera Woolsey.

Principal Gene Garrison presented the eighth grade class of 65 students to Superintendent of Schools Robert Perry, who gave them their diplomas, signalling their entry into senior high school.

Eighth grade class sponsors Dan Lawson and Miss Joann Newberry also participated in the graduation exercises.

*The eighth grade graduates wait for the recessional to begin.*



*A piano solo by Rhonda Bogart is part of the graduation program*





Kindergarten graduates line up in front of the stage for a last round of applause from the audience.

The Seven Dwarfs take part in kindergarten graduation.



## Kindergarten graduation features Disney theme

Centered around a Walt Disney theme, kindergarten graduation featured dwarfs, kites, pigs, a bad wolf, and lots and lots of Mickey Mouse ears.

Each kindergarten graduate got the chance to wear two hats, a graduation cap and custom-made "mouse ears."

Of the 63 graduates, several served as announcers or had special parts. They are as follows:

Welcome - Trisha Perry and Joe Garrison;

Mickey Mouse March - Ashley Miller and Rachelle Williams;

Winnie the Pooh - Torrie Collins and Angela Ragsdale;

Following the leader - Carrie Gleason and Holly Dry;

Heigh Ho, Heigh Ho - Lacie Briggs and Tom Moody;

Supercalifragilistic - Dustin Lansdown and Melissa Dugger;

Let's Go Fly a Kite - Mary Jane Carter and Jeremy Garrison;

Big Bad Wolf - Katie Smith, Mike Davis, Jennifer Top, and Scott Macke;

It's a Small World - Melisa Porter and Jason McGinnis;

Presentation of Principal - Jennifer Brooke and Brooke Newton.

Other kindergarten children who had special parts were Jerry Philpott, Michelle Williams, Donnie Detherage, Donnie Washburn, Brian Johnson, Shannon Cantrell, Matthew Calhoun, Thomas Clouse, Michael Douglas,

Ruby Prock, Emily Matlock, Jodi Edwards, Uryan Patterson, Tara Moody, Brian Welker, James Hanger, John Carnall, Kristin Rogers, and Charles Campbell.

Following the musical program which was planned and directed by elementary music teacher Mrs. Connie Bishop, diplomas were presented to the graduates by Laura Ingalls Wilder Elementary School Principal James Tipling.



The three little pigs try to hide from the big bad wolf.

Kindergarten graduates enthusiastically sing "Let's Go Fly a Kite."



## Science Club members dominate area fairs

For the second year in a row, Mansfield students walked away with the lion's share of the awards at the University of Missouri - Rolla Science Fair.

The 27th Annual South Central Missouri Science and Engineering Fair saw MHS students capture 44 of the approximately 80 awards.

Junior Shelli Top's botany project was chosen second grand prize winner, as well as winning the botany division.

Other division winners were Wayne Oliver, physics; Glenn Dasmalchi, engineering; Joe Sherrill, zoology; Michelle Taylor, environmental science; and Ronnie Rebur, earth and space science.

Placing in their divisions were Garland Dotson and Greg Kirkland, second in physics; Pat Barba and Jeff Newton, second in engineering; Steven Day, third in chemistry; James Livingston, third in environmental science; Michele Rummens, third in micro-biology; Tim Barnum, honorable mention in engineering;

Bryan Matlock, honorable mention in chemistry; and Chris Ghan, honorable mention in microbiology.

Special awards from various organizations went to Steven Day, Pat Barba and Jeff Newton, Shelli Top, Glenn Dasmalchi, Tim Barnum, Steve Starrett and Don Brennan, Michele Rummens, Ronnie Rebur, Wayne Oliver, Bryan Matlock, Joe Sherrill, and Rhonda Top and Kelly Hensy.

Taught by science instructor Glen Boyer, MHS students also continued a domination of the Summit Conference Science Fair, held this year at Hartville.

Mansfield students won all seven of the divisions and six other projects received first place ratings. Twelve projects earned seconds or thirds.

Students winning their divisions were Joe Sherrill in zoology, James Livingston in botany, Laura Keeling in microbiology, Steven Day in chemistry, Glenn Dasmalchi in computers, Ronnie Rebur in earth and space science, and Pat

Barba and Jeff Newton in engineering.

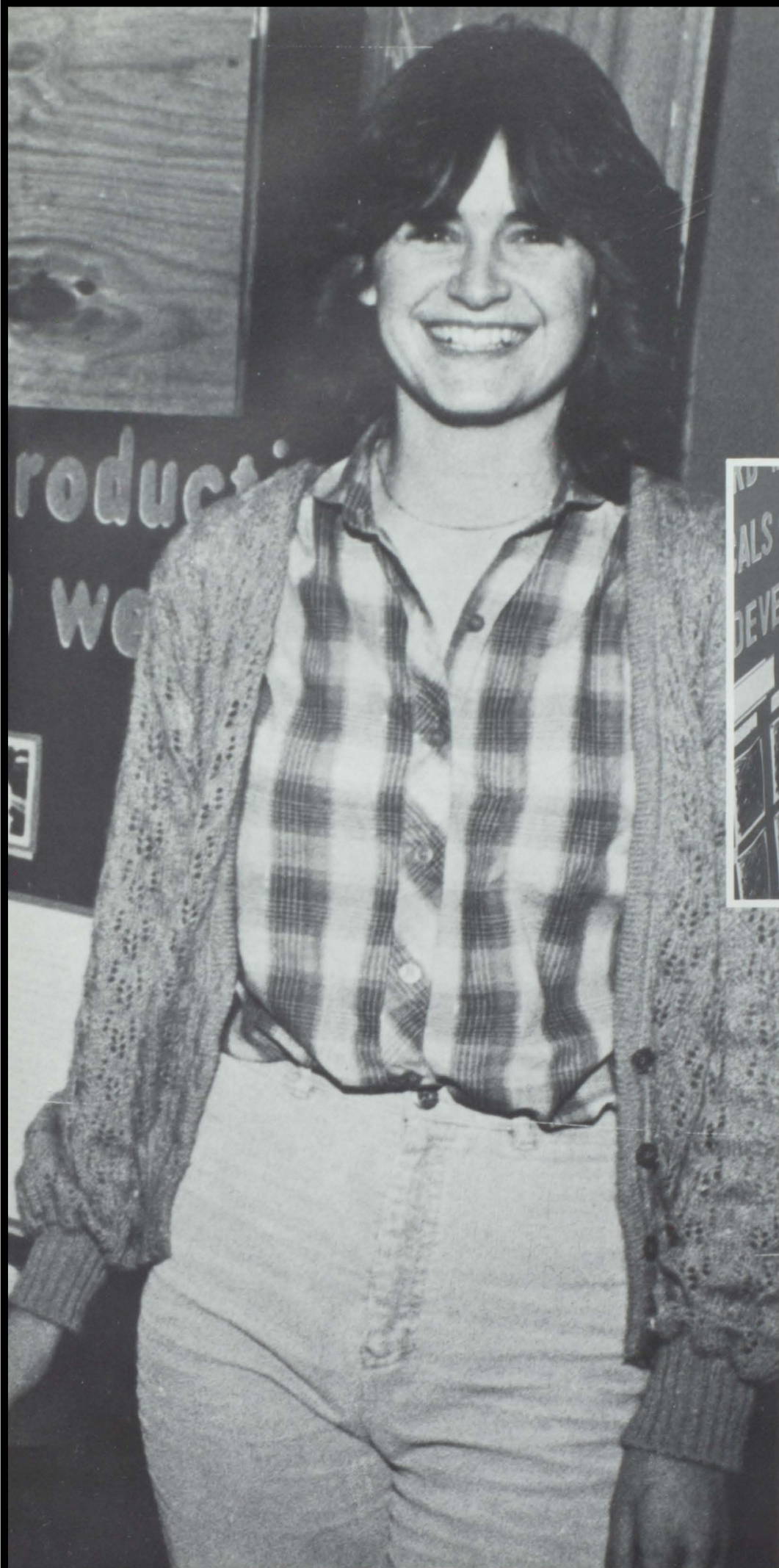
For first place in each division trophies and blue ribbons were awarded.

Also earning blue ribbons were Rhonda Top and Kelly Hensy, Greg Kirkland and Garland Dotson, Mark Cruse, Don Brennan and Steve Starrett, Jacque Guccione and Mark Cox, and Wayne Oliver.

*Discussing his project with one of the judges, Glenn Dasmalchi explains his methods for providing the hypothesis.*



*Science Club members. Standing - Ronnie Rebur, president; Steven Day, treasurer; Glenn Dasmalchi, vice president; Don Brennan, reporter; Glen Boyer, adviser; Front - Michele Rummens, Terri Carr, Deirdra Sickels, Susan Oliver, Mary Kennedy, Vi Lyons; Row two - Jeff Newton, Tim Barnum, Becky Stofer, Shelli Top, Steve Starrett, James Livingston; Row three - Garland Dotson, Lori VanHook, Missy Clark, Greg Kirkland, Mark Euler, Bryan Matlock, Jacquelyn Taylor; Back - Rhonda Top, Mike Fairbairn, Chris Ghan, Stacey Bruce, Kim Calhoun.*



*With a project on the effects of 24-d on the reproductive cycle of surviving jimson weed, Shelli Top took the second grand prize at the Rolla science fair.*

*Steven Day puts the finishing touches on his project.*



*Positioning charts, Pat Barba makes his project look as good as possible.*

## Science Club members

For the yearbook

by the yearbook staff

*Student photographer for the publications staff, Steven Day.*

*Newspaper and yearbook staff. Front - Michele Rummens, Reeda Rippee, Melissa Calhoun, Jacquelyn Taylor, Jean Magdziarz, Greg Kirkland, Missy Clark, Steven Day, adviser Mrs. Debbie Arnall, Doug Stofer; Back - Mary VanEaton, Jeff Newton, Misha Manely, Susan Cook, Glenn Dasmalchi, Virginia Severs, Shelli Top.*



*Lion's Gazette* editor-in-chief Glenn Dasmalchi, and assistant editor Shelli Top.



*El Leon* editor Michele Rummens and editor-in-chief Reeda Rippee.



## Missouri Sweepstakes title won by staff

Having both the yearbook and the newspaper named All-Missouri just wasn't enough for the MHS publications staff.

The *Lion's Gazette* was named Missouri Newspaper Sweepstakes winner by the Missouri Interscholastic Press Association. In this competition, which is separate from the All-Missouri judging, schools acquire points for the number of individual contest entries (articles or photographs) that win at the state level.

Four schools in the state are declared sweepstakes winners, one for each of the four school size classifications. Mansfield won the title for schools of less than 399 enrollment in grades 10-12 by combining for five state-winning entries.

One of 16 newspapers in the state to be named All-Missouri by the MIPA, the *Gazette* was one of only 7 to have won the title three years running.

Earlier in the year, the 1982 edition of the *El Leon* was also declared All-Missouri.

Individual yearbook competition saw the staff winning at state with 12 entries.

Steven Day collected four awards, topped by a first place

for a yearbook color photograph. He took second in the same category, and collected a third place for a newspaper photograph. He combined with Glenn Dasmalchi and Michele Rummens for second place on an in-depth newspaper series on drunk driving.

A yearbook layout won first place for Michele Rummens, and she took third with a feature story on fourth grader George Thompson, injured in a playground accident two years ago.

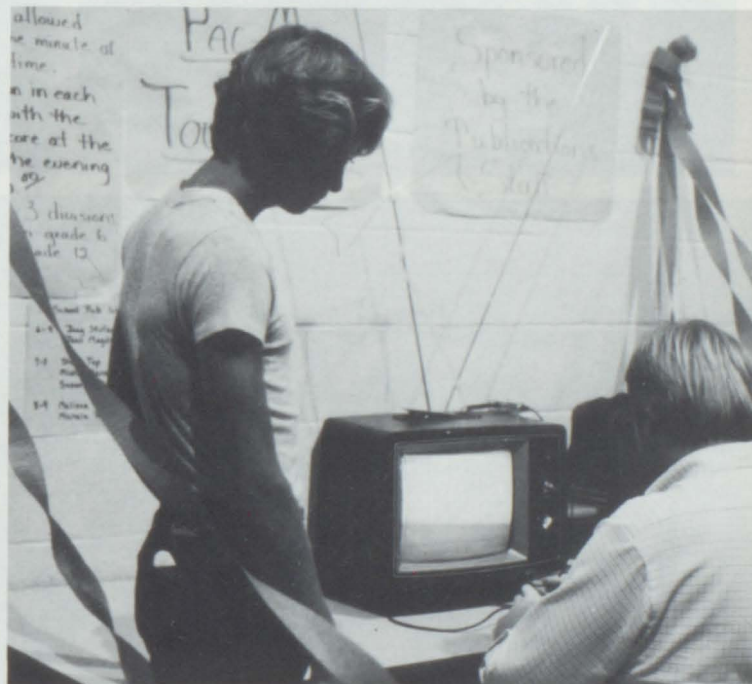
Shelli Top won first place with a yearbook layout, and she got an honorable mention for yearbook copy.

Yearbook copy about the CTA Carnival was a first place winner for Mary VanEaton.

Other state winners were Glenn Dasmalchi, second place for yearbook copy, honorable mention for a newspaper editorial; Jeff Newton, third place for yearbook copy; Misha Manely and Melissa Calhoun, honorable mention for yearbook copy; Reeda Rippee, honorable mention for a yearbook layout and for a feature story; Missy Clark, honorable mention for a yearbook layout; and Jean Magdziarz, honorable mention for a

yearbook layout.

In a separate contest, Michele Rummens' feature story on first grader Nicole Flageolle was the state winner of the Missouri Press Women's Feature Story Contest. She won \$50 and was honored at the group's state meeting in St. Louis in late April.



*At the school carnival, Doug Stofer runs the Pac-Man tournament for the staff, while history teacher Dan Lawson concentrates on winning.*

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*Directed by Eric Spyres, the Pep Band performs at a home ballgame.*

*Pep Band. Front - Patricia Peterson, Susan Cook, Misha Manely, Lynette Top, Arian Dasmalchi; Row two - director Eric Spyres, James Livingston, Lori Johnson, Kim Crews, Melissa Clahoun; Row three - Todd Biesemeyer, Vicki Smith, Steven Day, Pete McNeil; Row four - Brenda Miller, Kristi Philpott, Kim Price, Mike Cantrell, Lance Johnson; Row five - Sherri Dougherty, Rhonda Top, Chris Ghan, Michele Rummens, Eric McCrite, Lisa Johnson; Back - Bill Clements, Dean Lebahn, Jerry Ragsdale, James Cantrell.*



*Cissy Mitchell, drum majorette*



*Marching Band. Front - Arian Dasmalchi, Lynette Top, Misha Manely, Patricia Peterson, Susan Cook, Cissy Mitchell, Melissa Calhoun, Scott Huffman, Don Brennan, James Livingston, Lori Johnson, Kim Crews; Row two - Mike Cantrell, Brenda Miller, Kristi Philpott, Kim Price, Todd Biesemeyer, Steven Day, Vicki Smith, Pete McNeil, Lisa Johnson, Lance Johnson; Back - director Eric Spyres, Michele Rummens, Chris Ghan, Rhonda Top, Sherri Dougherty, Eric McCrite, Tim Barnum, Bill Clements, Dean Lebahn, Jerry Ragsdale, James Cantrell.*

## Music groups keep to the beat, marching, singing

One ratings are not easy to come by at the district music contest, but two MHS musicians earned them, making it possible for them to compete at the state festival in Columbia.

Michele Rummens went on to state and earned a two for her trumpet solo. It was her second year of state competition. James Cantrell got a three at state for his baritone solo.

At the district contest, two ratings were given to Todd Biesemeyer, saxophone solo; Kim Calhoun, vocal solo; Michele Rummens, piano solo; the trumpet trio; and the saxophone quartet.

Entries getting three ratings were James Livingston, clarinet solo; the flute trio; the Madrigal; the mixed quartet; and both sextets.

Receiving four ratings were the mixed double quartet and the band.

In addition to qualifying for the state contest, Michele Rummens tried out for the All-District Concert Band, and earned the status of third trumpet, first seat in that band.

She was one of 35 trumpet players to try out. Only 18 were

selected for the band, which gave a concert at Evangel College in Springfield.

Pep Band became a little more casual this year, moving off the stage and onto the bleachers beside the Pep Club.

In addition to marching in the Christmas and Butter Day parades, the band was a special part of Mansfield's Centennial celebration which ended with a large parade during Wilder Days.

As a fund raiser the band and chorus members held a

Halloween Carnival in the old cafeteria. Back by popular demand from last year, the carnival featured a haunted house, game rooms, and a concession stand. The haunted house required stacking hundreds of cardboard boxes in the form of a maze. Several surprises were planned for those brave enough to enter, including a casket complete with a vampire, alias freshman band student Arian Dasmalchi.



*The marching band plays on its way through town as part of the Wilder Days Centennial celebration.*

*Mixed Chorus. Front - Delinda King, Paula Wingo, Vicki Smith, Angie Levan, Vi Lyons, Lori Johnson, Lisa Johnson, Della Allmon, Grace Paxton; Row two - Kim Calhoun, Carla Stanifer, Robin Clark, Brenda Miller, Janet Kennedy, Janie Nichols, Reeda Rippee, Michele Rummens, director Eric Spyres; Back - Mike Pearson, Eric McCrite, Dean Lebahn, Steven Day, Joe Quick, Chris Ghan, Lance Johnson, Jerry Ragsdale, Jimmy Cantrell.*



## Music groups keep to the beat



*Mixed quartet. Accompanist Jerry Ragsdale, quartet members James Cantrell, Lance Johnson, Lisa Johnson. Not shown, Lori Johnson.*

*Instrumental soloists James Cantrell, Michele Rummens, James Livingston, Vicki Smith, Todd Biesemeyer.*

*Vocal soloists. Kim Calhoun, Janet Kennedy, Delinda King, Lisa Johnson.*



*Sextet. Janie Nichols, Vicki Smith, Paula Wingo, Reeda Rippee, Michele Rummens, Della Allmon.*

*Sextet. Brenda Miller, Angie Levan, Janet Kennedy, Lisa Johnson, Vi Lyons. Not shown, Lori Johnson.*

*State music contest entrants Michele Rummens, trumpet solo, and James Cantrell, baritone solo.*





*Flute trio. Rhonda Bogart, Noel Rummens, Susan Huffman.*



*Trumpet trio. Michele Rummens, Chris Ghan, Rhonda Top.*

*Double mixed quartet Eric McCrite, Robin Clark, Carla Stanifer, Mike Pearson, Gary Holmes, Kim Calhoun, Delinda King. Not shown, Joe Sherrill.*



*Madrigal. Janie Nichols, Dean Lebahn, Vicki Smith, Jerry Ragsdale, Brenda Miller, Steven Day, Paula Wingo, Lance Johnson.*

*Saxophone quartet. Mike Cantrell, Vicki Smith, Steve Day, Todd Biesemeyer.*



*Junior high band. Front - Director Eric Spyres, Annette Briggs, Callie Pruitt, Mica Watterson, Kim Robinson, Susan Huffman, Susan Zorsch, Elizabeth Euler, Launa Matlock, Noel Rummens, Rhonda Bogart. Row two - Greg Jones, Diane Holt, Claire Brennan, Kelly Jones, Tammy Davis, Julie McNeil, Stephanie Eidson, Steven Bruce, Jana Euler, Rick Oliver, Clay Jackson. Back - Rona Baker, Michelle Ballew, Becky Brennan, Jackie Batchellor, Scott Tipling, Wesley Lebahn, Carl Cook, Larry Durham, John Farmer, Romin Dasmalchi, Kelly Hall, Travis Watterson, Bo McAlister.*



*A startled puppy is surrounded by FHA initiates Denise Robinson, Coleena Anderson, Becky Dennis, Rebecca Bennett, and Missy Lair.*

*Last year's queen Reeda Rippee crowns Denise Robinson FHA Queen for 1983.*



*Outgoing FHA officers Melissa Bogart, Michele Rummens, Reeda Rippee, and Janie Nichols present FHA purposes at the Parent-Member Banquet.*



## Banquet helps homemaker year end with a smile

It was the event they worked for all year long, and from the smiles on their parent's faces, it was a success.

It was the Future Homemakers of America Parent-Member Banquet, a culmination of a year's hard work by dozens of FHA members.



Parents were invited to the banquet to watch their daughters receive awards, to hear musical entertainment, to see new members receive the official club pin, to watch the installation of new officers, and to witness the crowning of the FHA Queen.

Denise Robinson earned the title of FHA Queen by being selected by her fellow club members as being the hardest-working member of the group. Her attendants were Kelly Hensy, Kim Calhoun, and Gwen Carter.

A trip to Silver Dollar City was the highlight of the year for many members. The trip was financed by selling homemade

candy in the home ec room throughout the year, and by sponsoring the annual Miss Mansfield contest.

Informal initiation of new members was held in the fall, featuring strange outfits, make-up, and hair styles.

Regional meeting, held at West Plains, featured regional officer Kim Calhoun, who was chosen as vice president.

FHA members decided early in the year to drop secret pals, and instead tried an adoptive grandparents program, designed to help the girls gain knowledge and understanding from older people.

At Christmas, the group donated fruit and food baskets to the local churches for distribution to needy families. In the spring, they participated in the March of Dimes Drive.

The traditional FHA Week included color day, secret pal day, someone special day, and teacher appreciation day. On someone special day, carnations were sold, and a faculty luncheon was held on teacher appreciation day.



*Regional officer Kim Calhoun presents a vocal solo at the Parent-Member Banquet.*

*Gwen Carter and Mindy Brazeal, FHA president and vice president, are emcees for the banquet.*



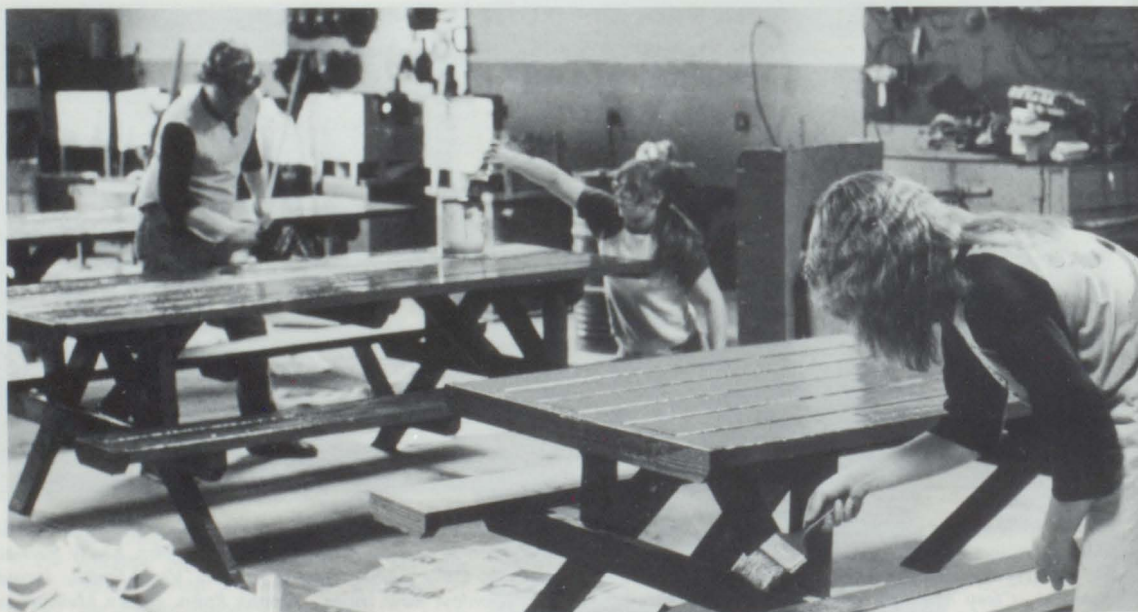
*Future Homemakers of America members Front - Reeda Rippee, historian and reporter; Janie Nichols, secretary; Michele Rummens, recreation and song leader; Kim Calhoun, vice president of Region 9; Melissa Bogart, treasurer; Mrs. Kathy Barnett, adviser; Row two - Patty Smith, Grace Jones, Cindy Calhoun, Cathey Kabage, Della Allmon, Grace Paxton, Vicki Smith, Jacquelyn Taylor, Lori VanHook, Cissy Mitchell, Missy Clark, Jean Magdziarz, Kitty Conley; Row three - Donna Kuhn, Becky Livingston, Lisa Kirkland, Joan Billings, Virginia Severs, Shelli Top, Denise Robinson, Melissa Calhoun, Misha Manely, Joy Logan, Susan Cook, Rose Lyons; Row four - Sherri Dougherty, Lesia Durham, Sonya Davis, Rosie Borders, Vi Lyons, Stephanie Clark, Rhonda Top, Kelly Hensy, Carla Stanifer, Robin Clark, Becky Stofor, Peggy Tuders, Kelly Robinson, Stacey Bruce, Jacqueline VanNess, Laura Keeling; Back - Candy Giffin, Gail Smith, Kristi Philpott, Kim Price, Brenda Miller, Missy Lair, Theresa Keith, Becky Dennis, Coleena Anderson, Melinda Keeling, Rhonda Hedrick, Lynette Top, Kim Crews, Pam Gage, Patty Schofield, Regina Freeman, Janet Schofield.*

*The FFA bucking barrell is a popular attraction at Wilder Days. Here, Kris Gray gives it a try.*

*Faculty members enjoy breakfast cooked by FFA members Deirdra Sickels and Terri Carr.*



*Picnic tables are painted for the city park as an FFA service project.*



Future Farmers of America members. Front - Terri Carr, Delinda King, Wayne Oliver, Stan Richardson, Craig Adamson, Ronnie Box, Deidra Sickels, Adviser Gene Cravens; Row two - Jacquelyn Taylor, Kristi Philpott, Kim Price, Susan Oliver, Mike Henry, Gordon Vogt, Danny Hylton, Shannon Watterson, Darryl Climer, Chet Whorton, Bobby Stofer; Row three - Doug Stofer, Jeff Cornelius, Cissy Mitchell, Sheila Smith, Ronda McDowell, Larry Morris, Randy Henry, Brad Dotson, Pete McNeil, Jack Barba, Larry Cook, Shelly Napier, Rosie Borders; Row four - John Carter, Bryan Matlock, Jackie McCleary, Alan Morris, Mark Cox, Joe Quick, Ronnie Rebuta, Mark Cruse, Greg Kirkland, Gary Edwards, Cam Fairbairn, Mike Pearson; Back - Pat Barba, Kent Bennett, Garland Dotson, John Magdziarz, Dwight Young, Joel Smith, Mark Pyle, James Welch, John Vinson, T. J. Slate, Bill Clements, Robert Gage, Brad Dunbar.



## Girls honored as FFA State Farmers at convention

Although traditionally Future Farmers of America has been a more male-dominated organization, this year at MHS it was two girls who were the standouts in the club.

Seniors Terri Carr and Deirdra Sickels both were honored with State Farmer Degrees at the State FFA Convention held at the University of Missouri in Columbia. The girls also served as state delegates at the convention.

Four judging teams placed in the top 20 at district contests held at SMSU. There were 63

schools participating. These teams were:

Poultry - T.J. Slate, Craig Adamson, Stan Richardson, Donnie Kelley;

Soils - Chet Whorton, Randy Calhoun, Jeff Cruse, Bobby Stofer;

Livestock - John Carter, Mike Henry, Gordon Vogt, Cleo Calhoun;

Dairy - Danny Hylton, Shannon Watterson, Larry Cook, Jack Barba.

A special project for the group was building picnic tables and outdoor cooking units for

the city park complex. This was part of a Building Our American Communities (BOAC) project.

Other activities for FFA members included participation in FFA Week, area leadership training, Greenhand Motivational Conference, state and national conventions, and area and local banquets.

First year greenhands participated in a dress-up initiation in which the boys were required to dress as girls, and the girls wore long johns and gunny sacks.

Riley Stewart, a 1979 MHS graduate, was awarded the American Farmer Degree, the highest FFA honor.

FFA Week included hat day, dress-up day, farmer day, and a tractor parade through town. On Sunday, the chapter members attended church services as a group, then had lunch at the Ava Pizza Hut. That afternoon they had a basketball game with the Ava FFA chapter.

*Greenhands going through initiation dress in rather strange ways, as determined by the older chapter members.*



## New sponsor takes over Math Club operation

For the first time since its beginning in 1968, Mansfield's Mu Alpha Theta chapter had a new adviser.

Math instructor Morgan Dale took over operation of the club this year. For 15 years, the club had been under the direction of Carl Hartley, who left the school system at the end of last year.

*Math Club members. Front - Susan Oliver, vice president Shelli Top, Bryan Matlock, James Livingston, Steve Starrett, Tim Barnum, Jeff Newton, Rhonda Top, Melissa Bogart, secretary Michele Rummens, adviser Morgan Dale Back - Scott Huffman, Don Brennan, Eric McCrite, treasurer Todd Biesemeyer, Glen Dasmalchi, president Steven Day.*

Math Club membership is strictly limited to those students who have completed four semesters of college preparatory mathematics and who are enrolled in the fifth semester. A grade average of a B is also a requirement for Math Club membership.

Club members made a good showing at the Summit Confer-

ence Math Fair, winning the traveling trophy for the third year in a row. As a result, Mansfield gained permanent possession of the trophy. MHS received three first places and a second and third in the four divisions.

Students competing in the math fair were Michele Rummens, Shelli Top, Rhonda Top, Todd Biesemeyer, Mark Euler, Scott Huffman, Steve Starrett, Lynette Top, Cathy Campie, Danny Hylton, Nancy Anderson, Denise Robinson, and Alan Morris.

In the fall, club members had a roller skating party at Maplewood Skating Rink in Mtn. Grove. Later, they went to Pizza Hut.

A spring trip to Springfield featured pizza at McSalty's, a movie, and shopping at Battleground Mall.

Funds for Math Club activities are earned by operating the Pepsi machine in the high school lobby. Members take turns keeping the machines stocked.



*Math Club Members Steven Day and Glenn Dasmalchi fill the club's source of income, the pop machine.*



*Concentration showing on their faces, Lynette Top and Danny Hylton represent MHS at the conference math fair.*





*National Honor Society members. Front - Michele Rummens, treasurer Vicki Smith, secretary Reeda Rippee; Row two - Melissa Calhoun, Shelli Top, Terri Carr, Deirdra Sickels; Row three - adviser Mrs. Okema Haden, Mike Fairbairn, Chris Ghan, Todd Biesemeyer, reporter Dean Lebahn, vice president Steven Day, president Glenn Dasmalchi.*

*Teacher's aide Norma Lansdown operates the paper cutting machine.*



## Honor society membership coveted possession

The spring selection of new National Honor Society members is anxiously awaited by many.

However, only a few students meet the high standards of the group. NHS members must be in grades 10-12, maintain at least a B average (8.0), and be nominated by at least three teachers on the basis of scholarship, leadership, ser-

vice, and character.

After the nominations, the chapter council consisting of four teachers and the high school principal select new members.

To earn money to buy NHS stoles for senior members to wear at graduation, society members operated a concession stand at baseball and softball

games.

Also featured on this page, the job of teacher aide was a popular one at MHS.

This was the third year for the aide program. Grading papers, dusting erasers, running errands, and operating the duplicating machine were just some of the chores taken over by the student workers.



*Teachers' aides. Front - Cindy Whipple, Charlene Batten, Mary Kennedy, Susan Oliver, Rose Lyons, Delinda King, Rosie Borders, Angie Levan, Missy Lair, Melinda Keeling, Della Allmon, Patricia Peterson, Arian Dasmalchi; Row two - Randy Henry, Mike Dodson, Mike Cantrell, Sean Connell, Denise Robinson, Janie Nichols, Carla Stanifer, Kelly Hensy, Stacey Bruce, Laura Keeling, Melissa Bogart, Stephanie Clark, Tamara Perkins; Row three - Cathy Campie, Sherri Dougherty, Lesia Durham, Gary Holmes, Shawn McGill, Jeff Newton, Tim Barnum, Pete McNeil, Bill Clements, Scott Huffman, Mark Euler, Steven Day; Row four - Greg Connell, Roger Turner, Norma Lansdown, Peggy Tuders, Kelly Robinson, Jenny Noble, Donnie Dennis, Garland Dotson, Mark Cruse, Greg Kirkland, Kevin Cook, Chris Ghan; Back - Brett Dennis, James Livingston, Sonya Davis, Brenda Calhoun, Pam Gage, Shelly Napier, Janet Kennedy, Melissa Calhoun, Becky Livingston, Lisa Kirkland, Donna Kuhn, Teresa Napier, Edith Matney, Jacquelyn Taylor.*

As Charlie Brown, Frank Dunbar seeks advice from Lucy, portrayed by Jacque Guccione, in the Germany Club play.

Cast members of "Charlie Brown's Valentine" dance to the piano music of Shroeder, Mike Fairbairn.



German Club members. Front - John Magdziarz, Jacque Guccione, Missy Clark, Nancy Anderson, Cissy Mitchell president Paula Wingo, vice president Don Brennan, secretary Melissa Bogart, treasurer Cathy Campie, Steve Starrett; Back - Roger Turner, James Livingston, adviser Mrs. Dorris Sheets, Deidra Sickels, Tamara Perkins, Glenda Biesemeyer, Scott Huffman, Todd Biesemeyer, Mike Fairbairn, Mark Euler.



## Charlie Brown learns to speak German for play

Familiar comic strip characters were brought to life for a delighted elementary school audience.

However, the words spoken were rather strange and unfamiliar. German Club members performed the play "Charlie Brown's Valentine" entirely in

German.

Members of the cast were Frank Dunbar, Charlie Brown; John Magdziarz, Snoopy; Jacque Guccione, Lucy; Melissa Bogart, Peppermint Patty; Mike Fairbairn, Shroeder; Steve Starrett, Pig Pen; Cathy Campie, Sally; Tamara Perkins, Linus; Della

Allmon, Woodstock; Kelly Hensy, Little Red Headed Girl.

The play was written by German I and II students of Mrs. Dorris Sheets. The performance also included singing German songs and teaching the audience a few German words.

"Fest Wolch" or German Week was held in the fall. Club members sold Reuben sandwiches, German candy, and funnel cakes. Special activities during noon hour included contests in yodeling, polka dancing, and root beer drinking.

The annual trip to Hermann, a Missouri German-American community, was held in the spring. Highlights of the trip included a visit to a German school house museum, a winery, and the Vintage 1887 Restaurant, which specializes in German Food.

In the cafeteria kitchen, German Club member Tamara Perkins and helper Noel Rummens cook funnel cakes for sale at the school carnival.



*Pep Club members Front - Adviser Mrs. Kay Goss, Michele Rummens, Gwen Carter, Janie Nichols, secretary-treasurer Kristi Philpott, vice president Susan Cook, mascot Tamara Perkins, reporter Melissa Calhoun, Lori Van Hook, Jacque Guccione, Mindy Brazeal, adviser Miss Stacey Putnam; Row two - Kim Calhoun, Kitty Conley, Reeda Rippee, Arian Dasmalchi, Patricia Peterson, Jacquelyn Taylor, Gary Holmes, Ronnie Rebur, Delinda King, Denise Robinson, Misha Manely, James Livingston, Paula Wingo, Cissy Mitchell, Missy Clark; Row three - Carla Stanifer, Kelly Hensy, Jean Magdziarz, Susan Oliver, Kim Price, Jim Cantrell, Brad Dotson, Mike Henry, Gordon Vogt, Bobby Stofer, Jeff Cornelius, Jacqueline VanNess, Theresa Keith, Missy Lair, Vi Lyons; Back - Becky Stofer, Robin Clark, Brenda Miller, Mary VanEaton, Doug Stofer, Alan Morris, Joe Sherrill, Joe Quick, Donnie Dennis, Nick Zorsch, Garland Dotson, Lori Williams, Joe Bogart, Greg Kirkland, Mark Cruse, Becky Dennis, Stacey Bruce, Stephanie Clark.*



## Pep Club members usually lack pep at games

At times, it appeared that the name Pep Club was not a particularly apt description of the group that graced the west bleachers of the gymnasium.

It usually took something dramatic or upsetting to get the group really excited and vocal during a ballgame.

In addition, it usually seemed that the majority of people in the pep section were junior high and elementary age students, not high school ones.

Pep Club membership was open to all students who maintain satisfactory conduct and attendance. The attendance rule stated that it was acceptable to miss five home ballgames and five away games. Also, the constitution stated that all members should sit in the cheering section and yell. Dues were set at one dollar.

Club members sponsored a rose ceremony at Homecoming, honoring senior ball players, cheerleaders, pom pon girls, and pep band members and their parents.

As a money-making project, Pep Club members sold entry to a cartoon showing at the CTA Fall Festival Carnival.

The lion mascot was present and active at all home ballgames and at many of the away games. The mascot circulated around the gymnasium, talking to small children (and scaring some of them), helping direct the pep

band, dancing to the music, and just generally trying to get the crowd stirred up and excited.

Three club members alternated as the mascot. They were Tamara Perkins, Jacqueline VanNess, and Melissa Calhoun.

*Junior high students often make up the bulk of the cheering section, rather than Pep Club members.*

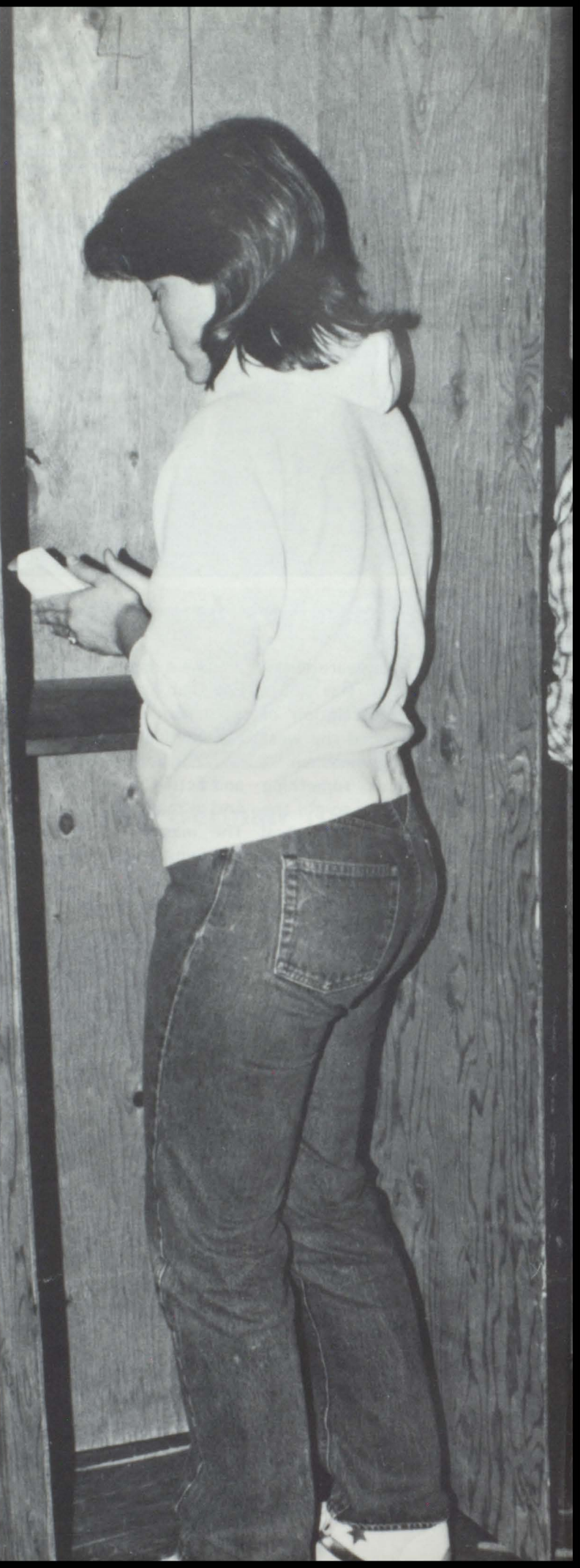


*Pausing to fold the ballot, Missy Clark gets ready to cast her vote for next year's student body officers.*

*Student Curriculum Committee members. Rhonda Top, John Magdziarz, Kim Calhoun, Theresa Keith, James Livingston, Janie Nichols.*



*Junior High Student Council members. Front - Kirby Skyles, John Top, Diane Holt, Lesa Crawford; Row two - Brent Evans, Susan Huffman, Susan Zorsch, Jana Euler; Back - Timmy Brooke, Craig Carter, Jackie Batchellor, Kevin Clouse, Claire Brennan, Romin Dasmalchi, Becky Brennan, adviser Dan Lawson.*



## School sign welcomes visitors to MHS

The most visible project undertaken by Student Council was completing the construction of the school welcome sign.

Located between the main high school building and the gymnasium, the sign is shown in the picture below.

A going away party for Shurma Pervin, a student visiting from Bangladesh, was also a project for the group. The party was held in the multipurpose room, and featured a short program, refreshments, and dance music.

Organizing Homecoming remained the responsibility of Student Council, and the group made money by charging admission to the dance. The other profits for the group came from the Coke machine in the high school lobby.

Council members attended the Student Council District Convention in Springfield. The meeting included mini-discussions on the topics of fund raising and promoting school spirit and enthusiasm.

At the end of the previous

school year, James Welch was elected president of the student body. Other general officers were Jacquelyn Taylor, vice president; Missy Clark, secretary; and Melissa Calhoun, treasurer.

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

Speeches were made in a special assembly in the gymnasium, and voting was done at secret ballot booths set up on the stage.

Running for office on the Student Curriculum Committee followed the same process, although only 25 signatures were required on the petitions.

The main purpose of this group was to provide student input into selection of class offerings in the MHS curriculum. This was the third year of existence for the committee.

Members of both groups were required to have a B- grade average. They were also supposed to have good school

citizenship standards.

A junior high school student council was organized, under the sponsorship of junior high social studies teacher Dan Lawson. The group was made up of seventh and eighth grade class officers and elected council representatives for those two grades.

*Ballots for student body officers are handed out first to next year's seniors.*



*Student Council members. Melissa Calhoun, treasurer; Ronnie Rebur; Mindy Brazeal, Mary VanEaton; Shannon Waterson; Missy Clark, secretary; Eric Spyres, adviser; Paula Wingo, Don Brennan; Missy Lair; Jacquelyn Taylor, vice president; Steve Starrett.*



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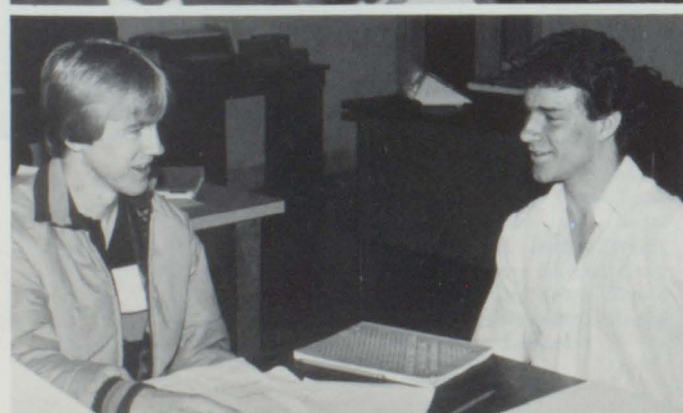
To a kindergarten child, a senior in high school looks pretty old. Like a grown-up.

However, as that child gets older himself, high school seniors keep appearing younger and younger. By the time he is actually a senior himself, he probably feels much younger than he thought a high school graduate should feel.


Other things change as time goes by for each student. Hobbies change. Likes and dislikes change. Friends and relationships change. Practically everything changes.

Being a senior also means getting ready for the change from high school to college, or from high school to a job, or from high school to marriage.

If all has gone well, the student has learned one of the biggest lessons that school can teach - the ability to be able to get along with many different kinds of people.







*Senior Class officers Wayne Oliver, vice president; Mary VanEaton, president; Doug Stofer, treasurer; and Vicki Smith, secretary.*

## Senior officers meet challenge

Being a senior officer means accepting responsibility for quite a few decisions and arrangements over the course of the school year.

The job responsibilities included presiding over class meetings, taking charge of money-making projects, seeing that people worked the concession stand, keeping track of who owed money, and making preparations for the senior trip.

That last item of the list, the senior trip, required extra effort this year. A detailed presentation for a trip to Epcot and Disneyworld in Florida was passed on to the school board. However, the board declined to let the group travel so far out of state.

Once the first request was turned down, the class had a limited time to come up with another proposal. The board accepted the second plan, a trip to Kansas City.

Making sure the class earned enough money for the trip required much effort on the part of the officers. They supervised magazine sales in addition to the concession stand operation.



*Senior favorites are Donnie Dennis and Vicki Smith.*

*Seniors Vicki Smith, Gary Holmes, Lori VanHook, Joe Quick, and Lori Williams rest before another group picture session.*

*A playful dog wanders into the middle of the seniors, getting a few pats for his efforts.*

## Seniors choose popularity winners

Ten pairs of seniors came up the victors in the battle of the "most".

The annual popularity contest, a tradition at MHS since yearbooks began, is the sole property of the Senior Class. The class meets and nominates people for each category, then votes by secret ballot on the winners.

Winning couples are featured on these two pages.



*Picked as Most Likely to Succeed are Reeda Rippee and Steven Day.*

*Steven Day and Michele Rummens, along with their instruments, are Most Talented.*



*Dean Lebahn and Janie Nichols are the seniors' Best All Around.*



*Biggest Flirts are Mary Van Eaton and Wayne Oliver.*

Most School Spirit honors go to Gary Holmes and Jacque Guccione.

Michele Rummens and Glenn Dasmalchi are Most Studious.



Chosen as Neatest are Mark Cox and Vicki Smith.



Vicki Smith and Doug Stofer are Cutest.



Most Athletic award goes to Joe Quick and Lori Williams.

Mary Van Eaton and Donnie Dennis reign as Class Clowns.

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# Seniors

## DELLETA ALLMON

FHA 4; FFA 1; Teachers Aide 3,4; Basketball 1; Music Contest 4; Mixed Chorus 4.

## JOEY BOGART

Pep Club 3; FHA 3; FFA 3; Baseball 3; Art Fair 4.

## MINDY BRAZEAL

Pep Club 1,2,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; and Officer 4; Student Council 4; FFA 1,2,3,4; Library Club 1,2; and Officer 1; Teachers Aide 4; Cheerleader 4; Junior Olympics 3,4.



## RANDY CALHOUN

FFA 1,2,3,4; Teachers Aide 4; Baseball 3; Cross Country 3; FFA Teams 2,3,4; Industrial Arts Fair 3,4.

## TERRI CARR

National Honor Society 3,4; Science Club 4; FFA 1,2,3,4; and Officer 3,4; Band 1; Basketball 1,3; Science Contest 4; Volleyball 1,3; FFA Teams 1,2,3,4; Girls State 3; Business Contest 3.

## GWEN CARTER

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; and Officer 4; FFA 2,3,4; Library Club 1,2; Band 1; Teachers Aide 4; Pom Pon 1,2,3,4; Basketball 2; Volleyball 2; Junior Olympics 2,3,4; Homecoming Queen Candidate 3; Barnwarming Queen Candidate 3; Miss Mansfield 2.



## KEVIN COOK

FFA 2,3,4; Library Club 3; Speech and Drama Club 2; Teachers Aide 4; Track 2,3; Cross Country 2,3; Junior Olympics 3; Drama Follies 2; Art Fair 4; Industrial Arts Fair 3.

## MARK COX

Pep Club 1,3,4; and Officer 4; FFA 1,4; Math Club 3; Teachers Aide 4; Basketball 1,3,4; Baseball 3,4; Track 3; Cross Country 2; Science Contest 4; Junior Olympics 1,3,4; Carnival King Candidate 3; Popularity Contest 4; Art Fair 3; Industrial Arts Fair 3; Annual King Candidate 3.

## JEFF CRUSE

FFA 1,3,4; Teachers Aide 3; Basketball 1; Track 1,2,3; Cross Country 2,3; Junior Olympics 4; FFA Teams 4; Art Fair 4; Industrial Arts Fair 2.



## KELLIE (CUNNINGHAM) GREEN

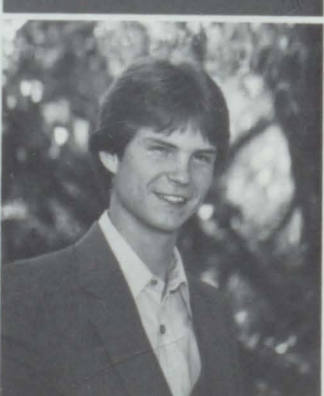
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## GLENN DASMALCHI

NHS 3,4; and Officer 4; Science Club 2,3,4; and Officer 4; Quill and Scroll 3,4; Student Council 1,2,3; and Officer 3; FFA 1,2,3; and Officer 2,3; Math Club 2,3,4; and Officer 2,3; Band 1,2,3,4; and Officer 4; Speech and Drama Club 2,3,4; Class Officer 2; Publications Staff 3,4; and Editor 3,4; English Contest 1,2,3,4; Science Contest 1,2,3,4; Math Contest 1,2,3; Music Contest 1,2,3,4; Speech Contest 2,3,4; FFA Teams 1,2,3; Pep Club 2,3,4; Valedictorian 4; Boys State 3; Business Contest 4.

## STEVEN DAY

National Honor Society 3,4; and Officer 4; Science Club 1,2,3,4; and Officer 4; Quill and Scroll 3,4; and Officer 3; Student Council 3; FFA 1,2,3; and Officer 2,3; Math Club 2,3,4; and Officer 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; and Officer 3,4; Speech and Drama Club 3; Teachers Aide 4; Class Officer 1,3; Publications Staff 3,4; English Contest 1,2,3,4; Science Contest 1,2,3,4; Math Contest 1,2,3,4; Music Contest 1,2,4; Speech Contest 3; FFA Teams 1,2,3; Pep Band 2,3,4; Popularity Contest 4; Salutatorian 4; Business Contest 4; Mixed Chorus 4.



## Lunch time, fun time

Just because the term "lunch hour" implies time spent eating a meal, don't think that is all that goes on during those 35 or so minutes.

On warm days, and even on some down right cold days, MHS students take to the school grounds and the parking lot to visit and get away from the classrooms.

The parking lot is especially the territory of the upperclassmen, mainly because many of them drive to school, a privilege not yet acquired by the freshmen and sophomores.



*Clowning around in the school yard passes lunch hour for Gary Holmes and Kim Calhoun.*

*Mark Pyle and Jeff Cruse talk with friends in the parking lot.*

*Kent Hedrick makes sure that his fishing gear is in good working order.*

# Seniors

## Punk Day new to Spirit Week

Spirit Week is usually a wild-looking time around MHS.

People dressed as nerds or in '50's style clothes have been common sights during the week designed to kick off the basketball season.

This year, Punk Day was a new addition to Spirit Week dress-up days, and many students went all out for that rather bizarre fashion style.

*MHS students model their most punk outfits during Spirit Week.*



## Rose ceremony quick tradition

Once in a while, someone comes up with an idea that is too good for just one year.

Last year, Pep Club sponsored a rose ceremony for seniors involved in athletics, held at the last home basketball game.

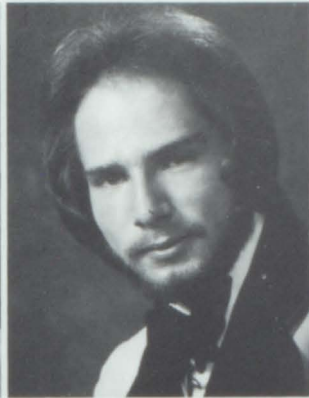
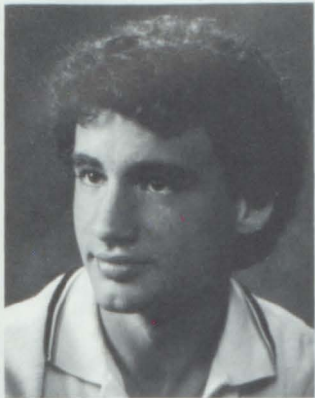
This year, the ceremony returned, sure to be a Mansfield tradition for years to come.

Senior basketball players, cheerleaders, pom pon girls, and pep band members presented their parents with a rose, showing their appreciation for support throughout the season.

The ceremony was part of the Homecoming festivities.

*Senior ballplayers, cheerleaders, pom pon girls, and pep band members and their parents are honored during Homecoming.*





### DONNIE DENNIS

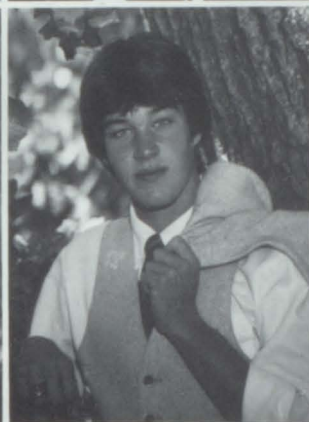
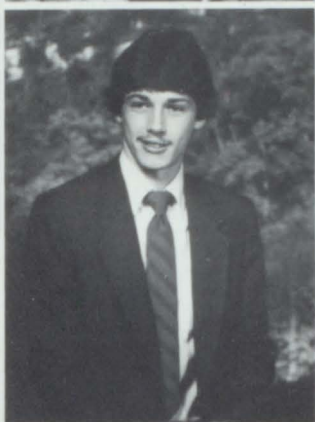
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### ROBERT GAGE

FFA 3.

### JACQUE GUCCIONE

Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Science Club 2,3,4; and Officer 3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; and Officer 3; Library Club 2; German Club 4; Speech and Drama Club 3; Teachers Aide 2; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Science Contest 2,3,4; German Contest 4; Junior Olympics 1,2,3,4; Homecoming Queen Candidate 4; Popularity Contest 4; Barnwarming Queen 1; Art Fair 4.



### KENT HEDRICK

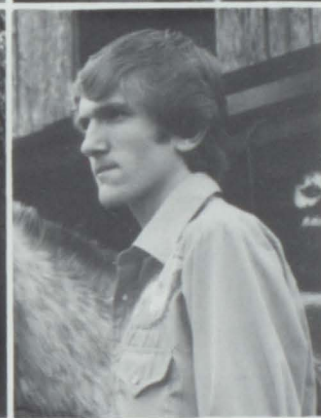
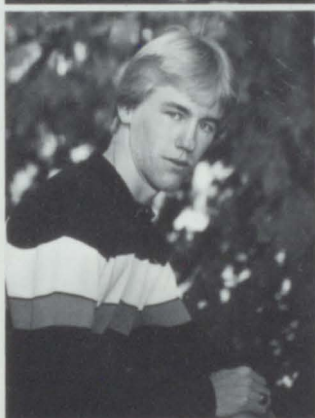
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### GARY HOLMES

Pep Club 2,3,4; Quill and Scroll 3,4; FFA 3; Library Club 2,3; Math Club 2; Speech and Drama Club 4; Teachers Aide 4; Publications Staff 3; Music Contest 4; Popularity Contest 4; Speech Contest 4; Boys State 3; Mixed Chorus 4; Art Fair 3; Industrial Arts Fair 4.

### JEFF IVY

FFA 4; German Club 1,2; and Officer 1,2; DECA treasurer.



### DEAN LEBAHN

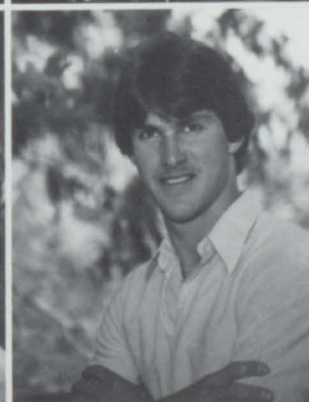
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### JAMES LIVINGSTON

Pep Club 2,3,4; National Honor Society 4; Science Club 3,4; Math Club 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; German Club 3,4; Teachers Aide 4; Class Officer 1; Basketball 1,2; Track 2,3; Curriculum Committee 2,3,4; Cross Country 2,3; Science Contest 4; Music Contest 1,2,3,4; German Contest 3,4; Pep Band 2,3,4; Boys State 3; Art Fair 3; Industrial Arts Fair 1,2.

### MICHAEL LYNN

FFA 3.



### JANIE NICHOLS

Pep Club 3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; and Officer 4; FFA 4; Library Club 1; Band 1; Teachers Aide 3,4; Pom Pon 3,4; Volleyball 1; Curriculum Committee 4; Music Contest 2,3,4; Junior Olympics 2,3,4; Popularity Contest 4; Mixed Chorus 3,4.

### WAYNE OLIVER

Science Club 4; FFA 2,3,4; and Officer 4; Class Officer 4; Science Contest 4; Junior Olympics 2,3,4; Popularity Contest 4; Art Fair 4.

### GRACE PAXTON

FHA 1,2,4; Teachers Aide 3; Music Contest 2; Mixed Chorus 2,4.

# Seniors

**DARIN PRICE**  
FFA 3,4.

**MARK PYLE**

FFA 1,2,4; Math Club 2; German Club 2; Teachers Aide 2; Track 2; FFA Teams 1,2; Art Fair 4; Industrial Arts Fair 1,4.

**MARK QUESSENBERRY**

Library Club 2; Carnival King Candidate 4.

**JOE QUICK**

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; FFA 1,2; Library Club 1,2; and Officer 1; Speech and Drama Club 1,2,3; Teachers Aide 4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,3; Cross Country 1,2; Music Contest 3; Junior Olympics 1,3,4; Popularity Contest 4; Cheaper By the Dozen Cast 3; Mixed Chorus 1,3.

**REEDA RIPPEE**

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 2,3,4; and Officer 4; FHA 1,2,3,4; and Officer 2,3; Quill and Scroll 3,4; Math Club 1,2; Band 1,2,3,4; and Officer 3,4; Speech and Drama Club 1,2,3,4; and Officer 2,3; Teachers Aide 4; Class Officer 2; Publications Staff 3,4; Editor 3,4; Pom Pon 3,4; English Contest 1,2,3,4; Science Contest 1; Music Contest 1,2,3,4; Speech Contest 2,3; Junior Olympics 3; Pep Band 2,3,4; Popularity Contest 4; FHA Queen 3; Cheaper By The Dozen Cast 3; Annual Queen Candidate 2; Miss Mansfield Runner-Up 4.

**MICHELE RUMMENS**

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 2,3,4; Science Club 2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; and Officer 4; Quill and Scroll 3,4; Student Council 3; and Officer 3; Math Club 2,3,4; and Officer 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Speech and Drama Club 3; Teachers Aide 2,4; Publications Staff 3,4; Editor 3,4; Pom Pon 3,4; Basketball 1; Volleyball 1; Curriculum Committee 2; English Contest 1,2,4; Science Contest 1,2,4; Math Contest 1,2,3,4; Music Contest 1,2,3,4; Speech Contest 3; Pep Band 2,3,4; Popularity Contest 4; Barnwarming Queen Candidate 4; Girls State 3; Business Contest 2; Mixed Chorus 3,4; State Music Contest 3,4; All District Band 4.

**JOE SHERRILL**

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Science Club 2,4; Quill and Scroll 3,4; Student Council 2; German Club 1,2,3; and Officer 2,3; Teachers Aide 4; Publications Staff 3; Basketball 2,3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; Track 1; Cross Country 1; Science Contest 2,4; Junior Olympics 1,2,3,4; Boys State 3.

**DEIRDRA SICKELS**

National Honor Society 3,4; Science Club 2; FFA 1,2,3,4; and Officer 4; German Club 2,3,4; and Officer 3; Teachers Aide 3; Science Contest 4; German Contest 3; FFA Teams 1,2,3,4; Industrial Arts Fair 3.

**PATRICIA SMITH**

**VICKI SMITH**

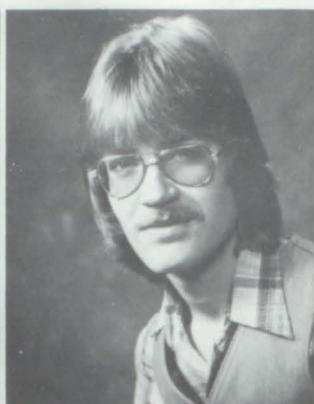
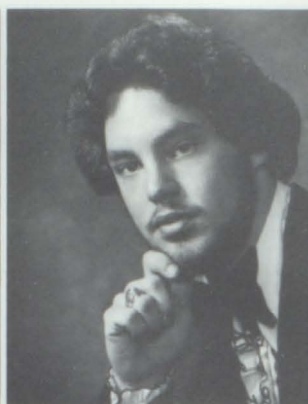
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**NOLAN SNIDER**

National Honor Society 4; Science Club 2; FFA 3; Math Club 2,3,4; and Officer 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Science Contest 2; Math Contest 3; Music Contest 1,2,3; FFA Teams 1,2; Industrial Arts Fair 3.

**DOUG STOFER**

Pep Club 3,4; Student Co 2,3,4; and Officer 3,4; Class Officer 4; Publications Staff 4; Baseball 2,3; Curriculum Committee 3; Junior Olympics 2; Popularity Contest 4; Barnwarming King Candidate 2; Art Fair 4; INDUSTRIAL ARTS FAIR 2.

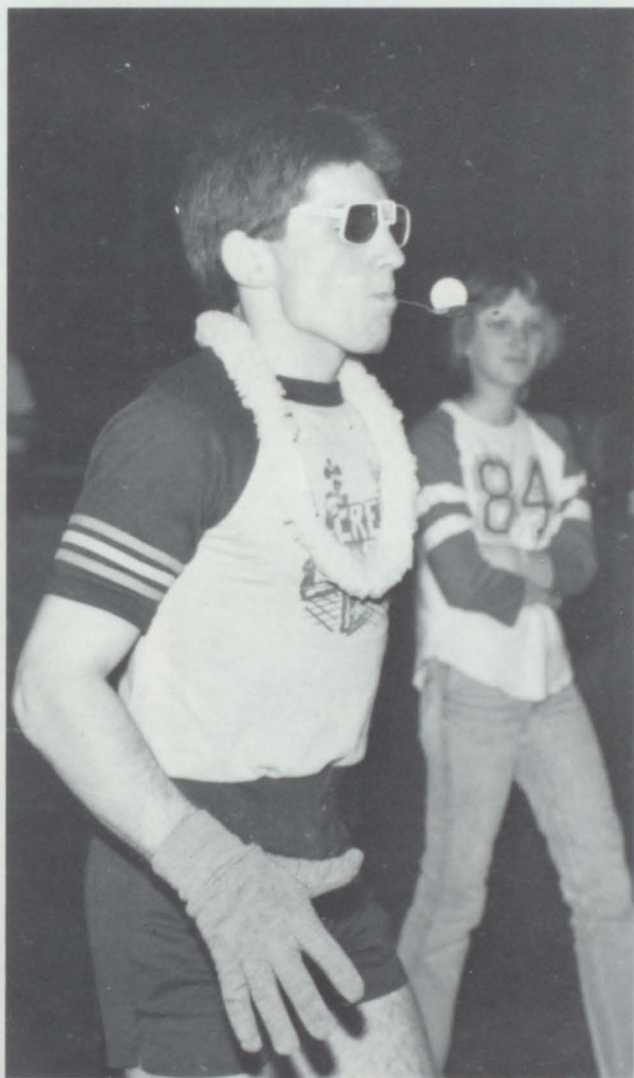


## Event brings out original style

Although all the teams at Junior Olympics dressed alike, the seniors outdid them all.

Their particular attempt at stylish garb included camouflage pants, Hawaiian leis, red bandana headbands, sunglasses, and "free in '83" shirts.

Although their costumes got almost as many laughs as some of the events, it seemed to work, because they won.



*Trying to get her shoes on in a hurry, Mindy Brazeal competes for the seniors.*

*The senior team struggles in their first tug of war match against the juniors.*

*With a spoon in his mouth, Joe Sherrill tries to make it across the gym with a ping pong ball.*

# Seniors

## Student victims help hospital

Nineteen juniors and seniors alternated moans and giggles when they participated in a mock emergency for Mercy Hospital Tri-County.

A team of 30 hospital employees participated in the drill to prepare them for a multiple casualty disaster.

The students were given tags with names of pre-assigned injuries and were taken to the hospital in a bus.

Reeda Rippee had a fractured arm, and Michele Rummens a fractured wrist. Classmates Gary Holmes, Doug Stofer, and Vicki Smith had lacerations to various parts of their bodies.

Steven Day had a neck injury and Terri Carr had a back injury. Glenn Dasmalchi drew the dead on arrival card, and got a trip to the morgue.

*Top, Glenn Dasmalchi is lowered out of the back of the bus, "dead on arrival." Left, a hospital employee starts to carry Terri Carr on a back board.*



## Senior ritual methods vary

Freshmen dread it. Seniors love it.

It is initiation, a rather unorganized, but still traditional ritual at MHS.

There are several methods. Freshmen can be carried, or they can be pushed. Often they can just be told to move themselves. And sometimes water fountains or sinks happen to have running water at the time, too.

*Seniors Wayne Oliver and Doug Stofer demonstrate the side-hold method of freshman initiation, using Kenny Rogers.*





**JIM STORMS**

FFA 1,2,3,4; Teachers Aide 3,4.



**JACQUELYN TAYLOR**

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Science Club 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; Student Council 4; and Officer 4; FFA 4; Library Club 1,2,3; and Officer 3; Band 1; and Officer 1; Teachers Aide 4; Class Officer 3; Publications Staff 4; Softball 1,2; Track 1; English Contest 3; Science Contest 1,2; Math Contest 1; Junior Olympics 1,3; Barnwarming Queen Candidate 3; Business Contest 3; Junior Miss Mansfield 1; Yearbook Queen Candidate 3; Miss Mansfield Runner-Up 3.



**MARY VAN EATON**

Pep Club 1; FHA 1,2,3,4; Student Council 3,4; FFA 3; Library Club 2; German Club 1; Class Officer 3,4; Publications Staff 4; English Contest 3; Math Contest 3; Carnival Queen Candidate 3; Popularity Contest 4.



**LORI VAN HOOK**

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Science Club 2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; Library Club 2,3; Band 1; Teachers Aide 2,3; Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Track 1; Science Contest 3; Junior Olympics 1,2,4; Business Contest 4; Art Fair 3; Yearbook Queen Candidate 4; Miss Mansfield Runner-Up 1,2.



**DAVID WALLACE**

FFA 3; Band 1; Class Favorite 2.



**JAMES WELCH**

Student Council 2,4; and Officer 4; FFA 1,2,4; and Officer 4; Band 2; German Club 2; Speech and Drama Club 2; Teachers Aide 2,4; Class Officer 2; Cross Country 2; Junior Olympics 2; FFA Teams 1,2,4; Carnival King Candidate 3.



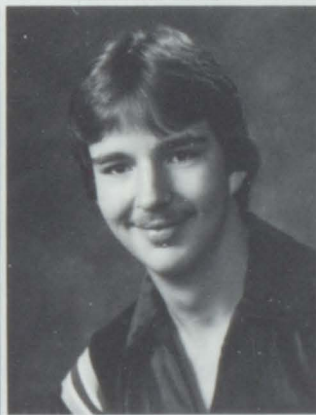
**CHET WHORTON**

FFA 1,2,3,4; FFA Teams 1,2,3,4.



**LORI WILLIAMS**

Pep Club 1,2; FHA 1,2,3; FFA 1,2,3; Teachers Aide 1,2; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Softball 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 1; Junior Olympics 1,2,3,4; Popularity Contest 4.



**JIM WILSON**

FFA 1,2,3,4; Track 2.



**JOEL SMITH**

FFA 3; Track 2; FFA Teams 3; Mixed Chorus 2; Art Fair 1; Industrial Arts Fair 2.

**NOT SHOWN:**

**TERRY GRECO**

Class Officer 1.

**CATHEY KABAGE**

FHA 4; FFA 1,2; FFA Teams 2.



# Changing with the times ... **SPORTS**

If it could be said that basketball was no longer king, then that really would be a change at MHS.

However, basketball still reigned, although a powerful baseball team came on strong, even though there wasn't much spectator support along the way.

As far as real change goes, possibly the biggest change on the sports scene at Mansfield has been the general acknowledgement that girls' sports is here to stay, and that MHS has lagged behind other schools and desperately needs to catch up.

There has been a realization that girls' teams cannot wait to begin until the freshman year of high school. Junior high training is essential, and even grade school involvement is beginning to be seriously considered.

For the first time, in 1983 there was a junior high girls' basketball season of four games. Grade and junior high age girls were involved in summer softball programs.

The change gained momentum in 1983. The results will be years in the making.







*Trying desperately to block a Fordland shot during the Homecoming game, seniors Joe Quick (number 12) and Mark Cox get high off the floor. Freshman center Nick Zorsch awaits the rebound.*

Varsity basketball team. Front - Jackie McCleary, Donnie Dennis, Don Brennan. Back - Coach Jim Nichols, Joe Quick, Alan Morris, Mark Cox, John Carter, Nick Zorsch, Garland Dotson, Jeff Newton, Joe Sherrill, Steven Starrett, Coach Ron Kreisel.



## Winning ... not a bad idea

When the subject is basketball, winning is definitely not a bad idea.

Both varsity and junior varsity teams proved that compiling an impressive won-loss ratio was a good idea for 1983.

Under the direction of Coach Jim Nichols, the varsity Lions finished the season with a 21-6 record, the Summit Conference championship, first place in the Mansfield Tournament, third in the Seymour Tournament, and consolation in the Houston Tournament.

Four team members were named to All-Conference teams. Seniors Joe Quick and Mark Cox, and freshman Nick Zorsch made the first team; and junior Jackie McCleary was named to the second team.

Quick, a guard, led the Lion's scoring attack with 492 points, an average of 18.2 a game. Top rebounder was center Zorsch, who pulled down 305 rebounds, or 11.3 a game. Cox, a forward, was close behind with 291, an average of 11.2 a game. Guard McCleary led the team with a free throw percentage of 75 percent.

Coach Nichols credited the four seniors - Quick, Cox, Joe Sherrill, and Donnie Dennis - with a big accomplishment during his two years as coach at Mansfield.

"A super effort by the seniors

helped them compile a two year won-loss record of 44-10," he said.

There were nine lettermen and two provisional lettermen. Lettermen were Quick, McCleary, Zorsch, Cox, Dennis, Sherrill, John Carter, Don Brennan, and Garland Dotson. Provisionals were Steve Starrett and Jeff Newton.

As a team, the Lions shot 45 percent from the field, 63 percent from the free throw line, averaged 37.8 rebounds a

*"A super effort by the seniors helped them compile a two year won-loss record of 44-10."*

*Coach Jim Nichols*

game, and averaged 59.3 points.

The junior varsity team also had a second year with a winning record as they finished with a record of 13-3. The team ended the season with a string of eight straight victories. Junior varsity also won the conference championship title.

Steve Starrett led scorers with 178 points, an average of 11.1 a game. Jeff Newton led in rebounding with 121, or 7.6 per game. Don Brennan led free throw shooters with a 77 percent average.

## Varsity Boys

Us	Opponent	Them
83	Houston	58
64	West Plains	67
52	Salem	42
64	Houston	42
66	Fordland	50
52	Niangua	40
51	Mtn. Grove	49
70	Seymour	60
78	Conway	36
58	Niangua	47
60	Seymour	50
48	Sparta	52
66	Cabool	51
53	Sparta	51
68	Hartville	47
53	Mtn. Grove	72
65	Cabool	53
59	Fordland	53
65	Conway	45
59	Hartville	54
60	Seymour	57
53	Fordland	49
51	Gainesville	50
43	Ava	44
43	Willow Springs	47
70	Thayer	56
48	Alton	52
21	Total	6



At the regional tournament at Willow Springs, senior forward Donnie Dennis is fouled while shooting.

*Senior forward Mark Cox jumps for a basket to lengthen Mansfield's lead in the season opener against Houston.*

*Outside shots by senior guard Joe Quick keep the Lions out of Houston's reach.*



*Defensive action by senior forward Joe Sherrill helped lift MHS to a conference win over Hartville.*

*Coach Jim Nichols reviews a play with the varsity team.*



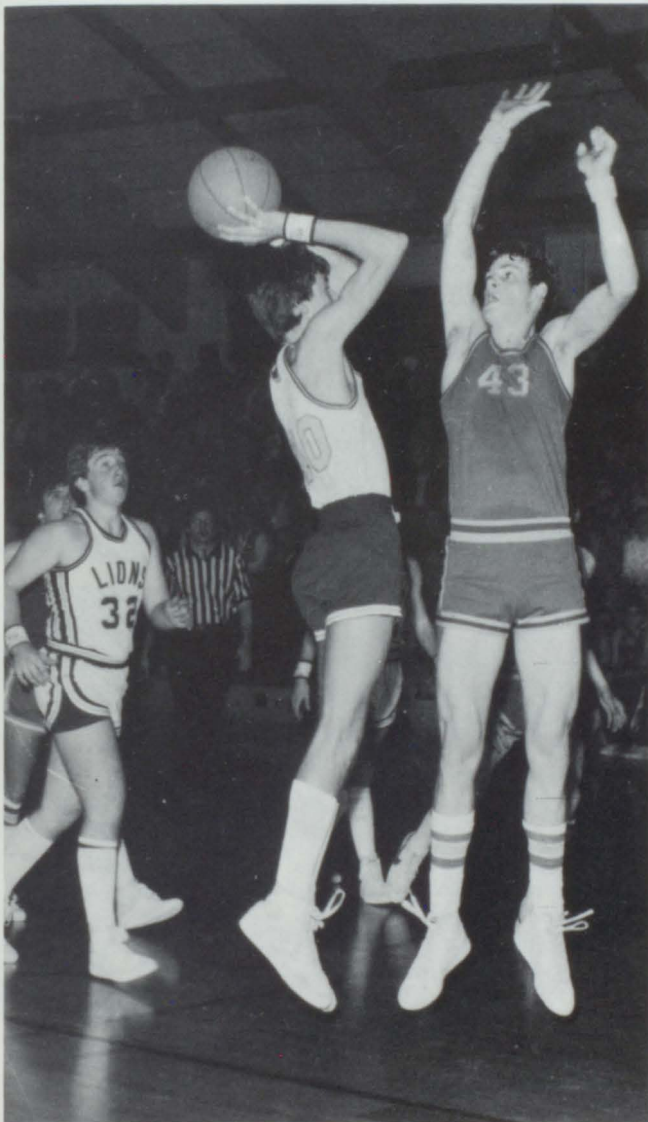
## Winning ... not a bad idea

Junior varsity basketball team. Front Steven Starrett, Shannon Watterson, Danny Hylton, Bryan Matlock, Brett Dennis. Back - Coach Jim Nichols, Alan Morris, John Magdziarz, Garland Dotson, Jeff Newton, Tim Barnum, Coach Ron Kreisel.



### Junior Varsity

Us	Opponent	Them
38	Houston	39
52	Seymour	28
64	Conway	22
33	Niangua	31
34	Sparta	32
57	Hartville	44
33	Mtn. Grove	36
39	Cabool	49
39	Fordland	36
62	Conway	38
56	Hartville	45
45	Seymour	38
59	Fordland	36
54	Gainesville	53
60	Ava	41
49	Willow Springs	40
13	Total	3



In the Homecoming game against Fordland, junior varsity forward Jeff Newton scores for Mansfield.

Shooting over a Fordland block, sophomore Tim Barnum tries to increase the junior varsity score at Homecoming.



Sophomore guard Steve Starrett gets off a shot to keep a Mansfield lead in the junior varsity Homecoming game.

Compliments of  
DENNIS HARDWARE

Obviously happy, the girls' team shows off the trophy won at Norwood.



## Girls top last year's record by three

*"The biggest problem this year was the lack of experience and lack of skill development."*

**Coach Dan Lawson**

You have to admire them.

After dropping the first game of the season with the crushing score of 115-30, the girls' basketball didn't give up. They kept on playing, determined to better last year's record of no wins and twelve losses.

And they did, winning three games, and also winning the consolation trophy at the Norwood tournament.

When the girls beat Norwood 43-21, it was their first win in 24 games, a tally they were glad to see ended.

"As the year progressed, the girls improved greatly," Coach Dan Lawson said. "The biggest problem of the year was the lack of experience and lack of

skill development. Much skill development came with game experience. This experience will lead a very young team to an improving record in the years to come."

The only senior player on the team, Lori Williams, was chosen for the All-Conference First Team. Lori was usually the high scorer for the Mansfield team.

The junior varsity team played only seven games, losing them all. The opponents and scores follow: Gainesville (43-13), Conway (38-11), Ava (43-6), Conway (47-6), Seymour (36-0), Seymour (55-5), Hartville (39-4).



*Fighting for the rebound, the girls match up against Norwood.*

*Lots of hands try to get possession of a loose basketball in the Norwood game.*



*Girls' basketball team. Front - Kim Price, Shelli Top, Melissa Bogart, Lori Williams, Kelly Hensy, Vi Lyons, Jenny Noble; Back - Coach Dan Lawson, Lynette Top, Cindy Whipple, Jacqueline VanNess, Tamara Perkins, Susan Oliver, Mary Kennedy, Rhonda Hedrick, Coach Morgan Dale.*

## Varsity Girls

Us	Opponent	Them
30	Gainesville	115
29	Fordland	55
29	Seymour	63
37	Niangua	52
31	Fordland	60
26	Conway	72
43	Norwood	21
40	Ava	75
22	Hartville	57
10	Conway	47
31	Seymour	40
40	Dora	41
15	Mtn. Grove	81
26	Hartville	69
40	Norwood	25
27	Fordland	41
32	Seymour	58
47	Chadwick	32
36	Alton	84
3	Total	16



*Tamara Perkins tries to block a pass in a game against the Conway Bears.*

*Missy Clark and Stacey Bruce lead a sideline cheer at the Homecoming ballgame.*

*Varsity cheerleaders, from bottom, Jacque Guccione, Mindy Brazeal, Paula Wingo, Lori VanHook. Left, Cissy Mitchell, right, Missy Clark.*

*Introduction of pom pon squad members takes place before each routine. Reeda Rippee takes her turn.*



## Groups do more than cheer

***"We all had to work together to make the pom pon routines look good, not just ourselves. All the work is worth the applause we get."***

***Gwen Carter***

Winning a spirit stick is a big deal to cheerleading squads at summer camp, and the MHS varsity and junior varsity groups both won the awards every night while attending camp at Fayetteville, Arkansas.

To win a spirit stick the squads must be enthusiastic and peppy the whole day. In the evening at "spirit stick time," the Universal Cheerleaders Association staff presented the sticks to the 20 squads of 50 attending who showed the most spirit.

The pom pon squad attended camp at Columbia, Missouri, coming away with 28 blue ribbons, 7 red ribbons, and 3 spirit

sticks. However, their biggest event of the year was entry in a drill team competition at Worlds of Fun in Kansas City. The girls performed for a large crowd at the amusement park, and earned high ratings from the judges.

Fund raisers for uniforms and camp were an important part of the year for both groups. The pom pon squad sold Christmas ornaments, had a Coke stand for Wilder Day, and held a garage sale. The cheerleading groups sold Watkins products, wrapping paper and birthday cards, and snack items during lunch hour.

Pom pon squad. Front - Jean Magdziarz, Robin Clark, Michele Rummens. Row two - Kelly Hensy, Brenda Miller, Reeda Rippee. Back - Becky Stofer, Gwen Carter, Kim Calhoun, Kitty Conley, Carla Stanifer, Janie Nickols.



Junior varsity cheerleaders Missy Lair and Becky Dennis hold a frame and giant poster steady outside the locker room just moments before the varsity team runs through for the first game of the season.



Junior varsity cheerleaders. Front - Becky Dennis. Back - Stacey Bruce, Vi Lyons, Missy Lair, Stephanie Clark, Theresa Keith.

## Baseball team claims district title

*"We run a lot. We like to make things happen when we get on base."*

*Coach Jim Nichols*

No matter how you slice it, it comes up impressive.

The 1983 edition of the baseball Lions, coached by Jim Nichols, ended the season with an 18-1 record, the conference championship, and the district championship. In addition, six of the nine regulars were named to the All-Conference first team.

The 18-1 record this year was preceded by two years with final records of 20-2 and 18-5. In that three-year span, the Lions have a 12-0 record against Seymour, 10-1 record against Hartville, 10-0 record against Conway, and a 7-0 record against Fordland, all conference opponents.

Though successful in regular season play, the Lions hadn't gone farther than district play until this year, when the 2A district tournament was held at Mansfield. MHS claimed the title, only to lose to Licking in the sectional match.

Named to the All-Conference team were Don Brennan, Joe Quick, Jackie McCleary, Alan Morris, Jeff Newton, and John Carter.

Junior Jackie McCleary was the hitting and pitching star, boasting a .435 batting average and a 1.67 earned run average.

Sophomore Don Brennan finished close behind McCleary in hitting with a .418 batting average. He led the team in

runs scored with 36.

Senior Joe Quick, the only other pitcher, hit .379 and allowed only 2.81 earned runs per game. He batted in the most runs for the team with 36.

For the fall cross-country season coached by Max Greene, sophomore Tim Barnum was the strongest runner for MHS. Running 3.2 miles over gravel, asphalt, grass, and running up and down hills, he claimed first place finishes at Seymour, Fordland, Plato, and the conference meet. He qualified for the state meet, finishing in forty-second place out of 150.

Mark Cruse, a junior, also qualified for state, finishing as number one hundred and twenty-three. Mark's best finishes were second places at Seymour, Fordland, and the conference meet.

Other cross-country standouts were Ronnie Rebura, Donnie Dennis, Mike Henry, and Steven Starrett.

"It was the best season Mansfield has had," Dennis said. "I was proud to be a part of the team, but I think we could have done better."

He was referring to the district meet, in which MHS finished third out of 15 schools, missing a chance to run as a team at state by only one point.

The spring track season was highlighted by three runners - Tim Barnum, and a brother-sister team, Kent and Rhonda Hedrick. Kent, a senior, specialized in the 100 and 200 meter dashes, while his freshman sister concentrated on the 1600 meter run.

*Cross-country runners Mark Cruse, Ronnie Rebura, Tim Barnum, and Donnie Dennis limber up before a meet held at Mansfield.*



*Cross-country and track team. Front - Rhonda Hedrick, Becky Dennis, Eric McCrite, Kenny Moody. Back - Coach Max Greene, Steve Starrett, Frank Dunbar, Tim Barnum, Kent Hedrick, Stan Richardson, Donnie Dennis, Ronnie Rebura, Dwight Young. Not shown, Mike Henry.*

*A trip around the school is included in the cross-country run as Mike Henry, front, runs for MHS.*



Baseball team. Front - John Magdziarz, Shannon Watterson, Danny Hylton, Don Brennan, Jackie McCleary, Jeff Cornelius, Bobby Stofer, Bryan Matlock, Mike Henry. Back - Coach Jim Nichols, Joe Quick, Joe Sherrill, Alan Morris, Mark Cox, John Carter, Garland Dotson, Greg Kirkland, Jeff Newton, Coach Ron Kreisel.



A pick-off play against Seymour keeps first baseman John Carter alert.

## Baseball

Us	Opponent	Them
11	Seymour	0
12	Conway	1
9	Fordland	5
12	Hartville	1
3	Fordland	0
13	Seymour	3
12	Conway	2
16	Hartville	1
10	Houston	7
8	Seymour	0
11	Conway	2
8	Gainesville	3
13	Hartville	4
12	Gainesville	5
7	Ava	6
12	Seymour	2
14	Forsyth	6
5	Hartville	3
2	Licking	6
18	Total	1

## Track

Meet	Runner	Race	Results
Ava	Rhonda Hedrick	1600 meter	fifth
Willow Springs	Kent Hedrick	100 meter	fourth
		200 meter	fourth
		3200 meter	fifth
SMSU	Tim Barnum		
	Rhonda Hedrick	1600 meter	fifth
Ava	Tim Barnum	1600 meter	second
		3200 meter	third
District	Kent Hedrick	200 meter	fourth
		100 meter	sixth
	Tim Barnum	1600 meter	fourth
		3200 meter	fourth



Junior Jackie McCleary pitches against Hartville, adding another strike-out to his year-end total of 142.

Hitting a home run in a game against Seymour, pitcher Lori Williams also collects three RBI's.



## Volleyball, softball teams can't win

***"We had a young team.  
The majority of the  
players were  
sophomores."  
Coach Stacey Putnam***

Long hours of practice just didn't pay off for the volleyball and softball teams.

Neither team could manage a win, a disappointment for the girls and for Coach Stacey Putnam.

"We had a young team. The majority of players were sophomores," she said of the volleyball team.

Only two members of the varsity team were not sophomores - senior Cindy Calhoun and freshman Coleena Anderson. Other varsity players were Tamara Perkins, Stacey Bruce, Kelly Hensy, Jacqueline VanNess, Delinda King, Becky Stofer, Carla Stanifer, and Vi Lyons.

Although the softball team didn't win any games, at least there was a team.

Last year, the softball season had to be cancelled after only three games because all but nine girls quit for various reasons. This year, interest was much higher in the softball program, and 20 girls tried out for places on the team.

Starting players were Lori Williams, pitcher; Becky Stofer, catcher; Carla Stanifer, first base; Kim Price, second base; Tamara Perkins, third base, Kelly Hensy, shortstop; Regina Freeman, right field; Rosie Borders, center field; and Vi Lyons, left field.



*In a game against Willow Springs, Stacey Bruce jumps high to return a serve.*

*Softball team. Front - Kelly Hensy, Lori Williams, Coach Stacey Putnam, Tamara Perkins, Candy Giffin; Row two - Coleena Anderson, Kim Price, Rosie Borders, Kelly Robinson, Jenny Noble, Regina Freeman; Back - Becky Stofer, Carla Stanifer, Robin Clark, Brenda Calhoun, Patty Schofield.*



*Volleyball team. Front - Brenda Calhoun, Patty Schofield, Rosie Borders, Gail Smith, Candy Giffin, Susan Oliver, Mary Kennedy, Cindy Whipple, Rhonda Hedrick, Jenny Noble; Back - Coach Stacey Putnam, Becky Dennis, Becky Stofer, Kelly Hensy, Carla Stanifer, Tamara Perkins, Cindy Calhoun, Jacqueline VanNess, Stacey Bruce, Coleena Anderson, Vi Lyons.*



*Becky Stofer returns a Willow Springs serve. Teammates Coleena Anderson, Stacey Bruce, and Carla Stanifer prepare to assist.*

## Volleyball

Us	Opponent	Them
	Chadwick	16- 4, 15- 4
	Seymour	15- 4, 15- 7
	Gainesville	17-17, 16-14
15-7	Ava	15- 5, 15- 9
	Seymour	15- 3, 15- 4
	Fordland	15- 4, 15- 5
	Norwood	15- 4, 17-15
	Fordland	15-II, 17-15
	Cabool	15- 3, 15- 4
	Norwood	15- 6, 15-II
	Willow Springs	15- 3, 15- 7
0	Total	11

## Softball

Us	Opponent	Them
14	Seymour	19
6	Conway	26
22	Hartville	34
15	Hartville	24
1	Conway	14
4	Seymour	14
0	Total	6



*Becky Stofer sets up a play for her Mansfield teammates.*

## Junior high girls arrive on basketball court

*"My only regret for our first season is that the home crowd didn't get to see our only win." Morgan Dale, junior high girls coach*

The first year wasn't quite as successful as some had anticipated, but it was, after all, a beginning.

For the first time, a junior high girls' basketball program was begun at Mansfield, mainly in an effort to make the high school team stronger in years to come.

It was a short season for the girls and Coach Morgan Dale, with a schedule of only four games. The girls lost three, winning the final game against Seymour.

"The eighth graders on the team," Coach Dale said, "will form a good nucleus for next year's junior varsity squad. Next year will be the first time Mansfield will have a girls' team that starts with some experience rather than having to acquire it while playing the

first year."

Finishing with a win against Seymour, the eighth grade boys' basketball team closed with a winning record of 6-5. This included the second-place trophy at the Summit Conference Tournament.

The seventh grade boys didn't fare as well, finishing 0-9. Their final game was a nail-biter, but they lost to Seymour 27-26.

Leading scorer for the eighth grade was Craig Carter with a 12.9 scoring average. As a team, the eighth grade scored 35.3 per game while giving up 31.8.

The seventh grade leading scorer was Darrin Moore with an 8.1 average. As a team, the seventh grade scored 20.2 while allowing 31.8.



*Mica Watterson controls the ball as junior high teammates Susan Zorsch and Claire Brennan prepare to assist.*

*Seventh grade cheerleaders. Front, Kelly Jones, mascot Stephanie Eidson, Launa Matlock. Back, Claire Brennan, Angelique Manely, Susan Zorsch.*

*Eighth grade cheerleaders. Front, Becky Brennan. Back, Michelle Ballew, Rona Baker, Mica Watterson, Susan Huffman, Rhonda Bogart.*



*Eighth grade basketball team. Coach Ron Kriesel, Noel Rummens, Brett Neal, Shaun Moore, Craig Carter, Brad Detherage, Kevin Cornelius, Steven Bruce.*



### Eighth Grade Boys

Us	Opponent	Them
22	Fordland	25
39	Conway	32
29	Hartville	47
45	Gainesville	29
36	Seymour	26
37	Conway	49
21	Hartville	25
49	Ava	16
33	Conway	28
25	Hartville	38
52	Seymour	35
6	Total	5

### Junior High Girls

Us	Opponent	Them
15	Fordland	16
12	Conway	22
9	Hartville	30
13	Seymour	12
1	Total	3

### Seventh Grade Boys

Us	Opponent	Them
18	Fordland	29
21	Conway	31
18	Hartville	45
14	Gainesville	22
24	Seymour	31
19	Conway	29
24	Hartville	44
18	Ava	29
26	Seymour	27
0	Total	9



*Junior high girls basketball team. Front, Kelly Jones, Michelle Walker, Mica Watterson, Rhonda Bogart, Claire Brennan, Launa Matlock, Sheila Kirshfield. Back, Coach Morgan Dale, Vickey Jones, Diane Holt, Devonna Sickels, Tammy Davis, Jana Euler, Jackie Batchellor, Susan Zorsch, Mercede Hire, Becky Brennan, Coach Dan Lawson.*

*Seventh grade basketball team. Travis Watterson, Wesley Lebahn, Kirby Skyles, Gary Davis, Darrin Moore, Kelly Hall, Larry Durham, Romin Dasmalchi, Coach Ron Kriesel.*





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# ACADEMICS

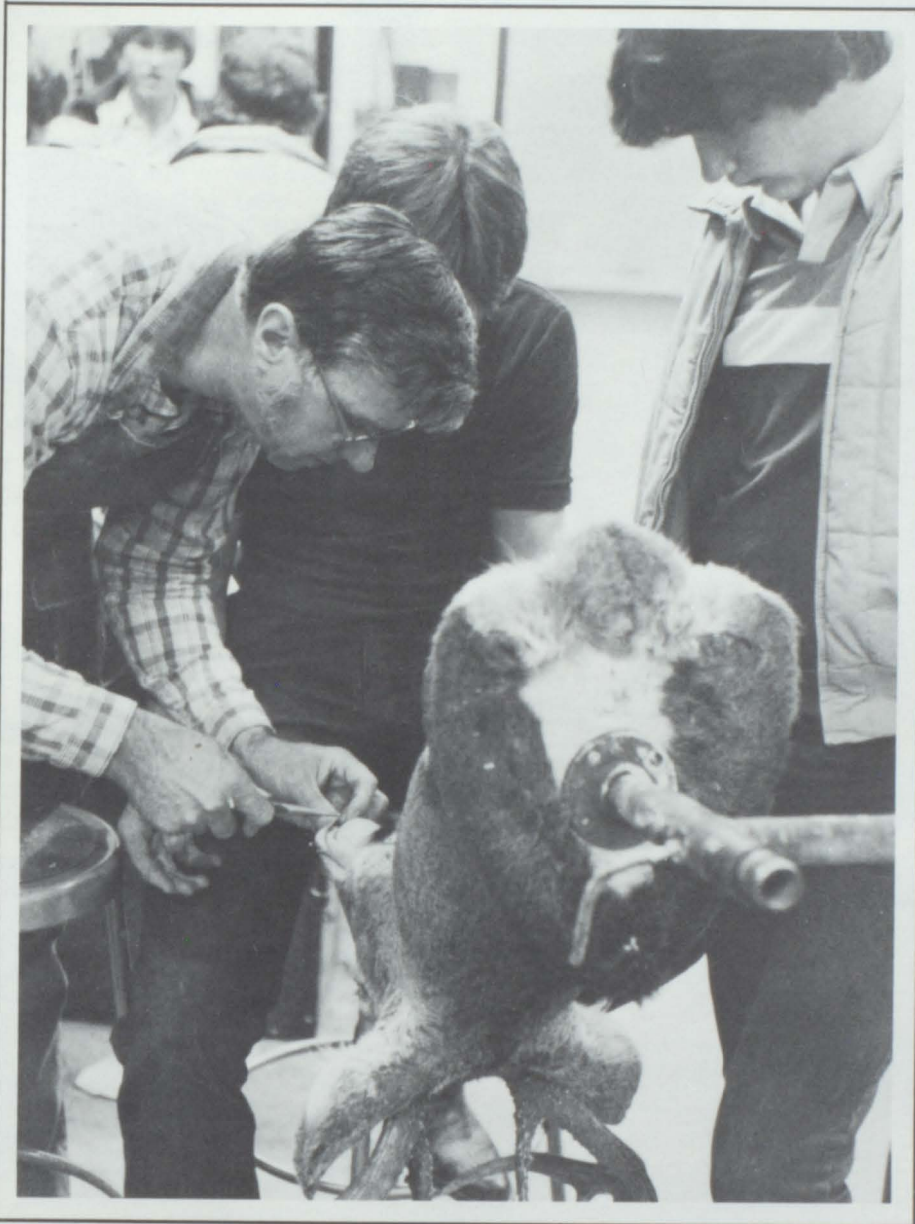
Academics is one area of school life that would be in big trouble if it didn't change with the times.

New and up-to-date textbooks and equipment are essential parts of a modern school. If materials aren't current, the graduates of the school will find themselves ill-prepared for college and the working world.

The biggest change in academics for 1983 had to be the emphasis of computers. A few students had the opportunity to work with computers in independent study type situations. A committee of teachers was formed to give the area of computer education in-depth study with the goal of acquiring the best possible computers and software for the needs of MHS students in the coming years.

In addition, the curriculum developed for the next school year expanded computer education to be available to more students in many subject areas.







*Art I students watch Mrs. Judy Middleton begin construction of a mobile.*

## Nine entries win at art festival

In a thirteen-school art festival hosted by Cabool, Mansfield students finished seventh overall and a sophomore girl captured individual honors.

By finishing first in the categories of watercolor and fashions, Stacey Bruce was awarded the second place overall plaque, one of only two presented at the fair.

There were 21 categories and only four ribbons were awarded in each category. MHS students under the direction of Mrs. Judy Middleton placed as follows: macrame, Jackie McCleary first, Cissy Mitchell second; wood sculpture, Jeff Cruse and Mark Pyle first; mobiles, Jack Barba second; posters, Lavadia Hicks second; Jack Barba third; and collage, Becky Stofer fourth.

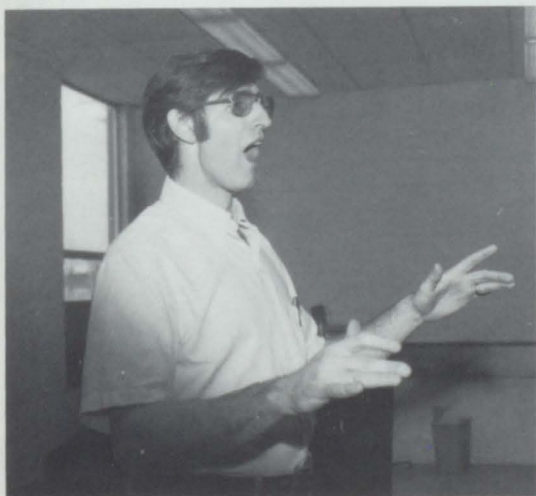
Mrs. Middleton's Art II and III classes made decorative face masks by making plaster casts. She took her arts and crafts class to the Spring Crafts Festival at Silver Dollar City. Mrs. Middleton was also the Senior Class sponsor.

High school and junior high music teacher Eric Spyres changed his music appreciation course to include instruction in basic music fundamentals, as well as time to practice for music contest.

Besides taking students to district and state music festivals, Mr. Spyres was also Student Council sponsor.

Mrs. Marilyn Parker taught junior high art classes, but she spent most of the day teaching elementary art.

*Latch hook rug construction is explained to a junior high art class by Mrs. Marilyn Parker.*



*Eric Spyres directs a practice session for mixed chorus.*

*Choir students work on a contest entry for the district music contest.*



*While Shelli Top tries to lie motionless plaster for a face cast is applied by Mrs. Judy Middleton and Gina Johnson.*

*Industrial arts teacher Bill Ghan helps Brad Dunbar with a shop project.*



## Best in show honors go to eighth grader

Of the hundreds of projects entered in the Summit Conference Industrial Arts Fair held at MHS, a Mansfield eighth grader's project was selected as Best in Show.

Jon Ingerson's clock beat out all other entries to capture that title. Randy Henry, a sophomore, had his clock judged as Best in General Shop.

Bill Ghan's students entered a total of 127 projects in the fair, earning 55 one ratings. Projects earning ones were eligible for the SMSU District Contest, and 15 went on to win ones there. They included projects by Donna Kuhn, Lisa Kirkland, Danny Hylton, Shannon Watterson, Brett Neal, Jon Ingerson, Greg Jones, Pete McNeil, Matt Gittings, Gerald Lynn, Shaun Moore, Lavadia Hicks, Noel Rummens, Mike Pearson, and Mark Pyle.

Mr. Ghan was also sponsor of the Freshman Class.

In Mrs. Kathy Barnett's new personal culture home economics class, the girls did aerobic exercises each day, and learned the basics of hair care, styles, and makeup.

Mrs. Barnett was the sponsor of Future Homemakers of America and the pom pon squad.

As Future Farmers of America adviser, Gene Cravens worked with his students on a Building our American Communities (BOAC) project which included building picnic tables and outdoor cooking units for the city park area.

Substitute teacher Mrs. Naomi Clouse filled the vacancy in the business department created by the leaving of Mrs. Rachel Kluthe during the last few weeks of the year.



*Personal culture students do side stretches, part of their daily exercise program.*



*Agriculture teacher Gene Cravens supervises a welding project by Jim Storms.*

*Home economics teacher Mrs. Kathy Barnett points out a display for her clothing students.*

*Typing students concentrate on a timed exercise.*



*Woods process students put the finishing touches on some of their furniture projects.*

*Mrs. Naomi Clouse works on lesson plans for the last few weeks of school.*



*Algebra I students listen while Morgan Dale explains a class assignment.*

*Part of the digestive system of cats is shown to the zoology class by Glen Boyer.*

## Three sisters help MHS claim trophy

Three sisters won first place in their divisions at the Summit Conference Math Contest, enabling Mansfield to claim permanent possession of the traveling trophy.

Shelli, Rhonda, and Lynette Top took first place trophies for trigonometry, geometry, and Algebra I, respectively. Other MHS winners were Michele Rummens, second in trigonometry and Todd Biesemeyer, third in Algebra II. Rhonda Top also won second place in Algebra II.

This was the third year in a row Mansfield had won the overall championship, which meant the math department got to keep the trophy.

Math classes were taught by department head Morgan Dale and by junior high instructor Miss Joann Newberry. In addition, Mr. Dale sponsored Mu Alpha Theta and Miss Newberry the eighth grade.

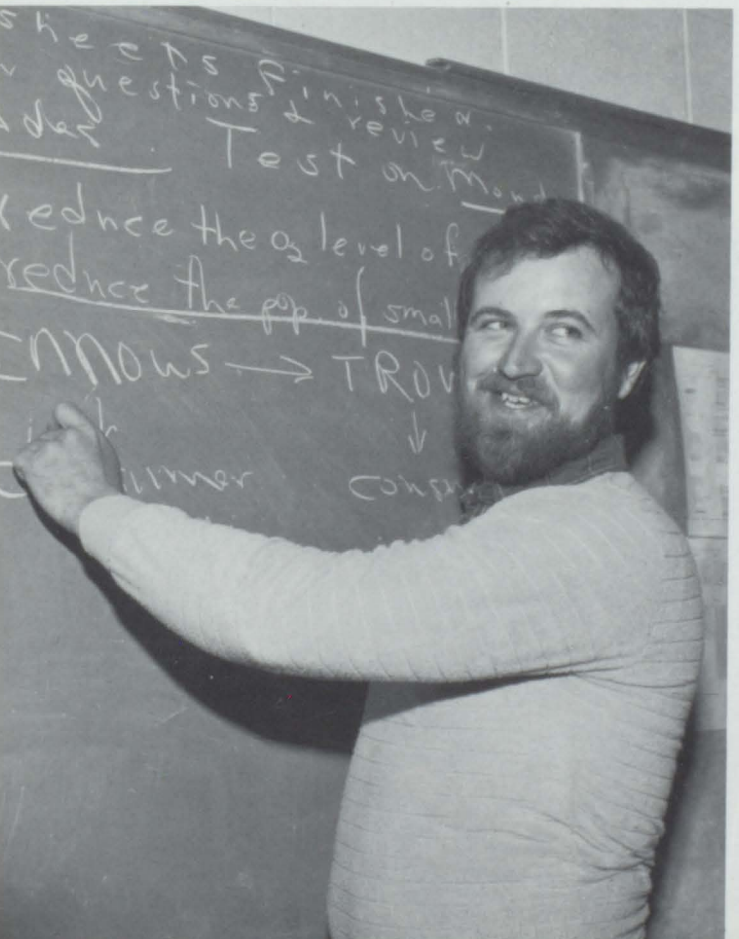
Under the direction on science department head Glen Boyer, MHS students brought home more awards than any other school at the South Central Missouri Science Fair at Rolla.

Zoology students dissected cats, while biology students did extensive dissection and study of pigs, in classes taught by Mr. Boyer. Junior high science was taught by Max Greene.

Mr. Boyer sponsored the Science Club, which required members to make a project to be entered in the area science fairs.

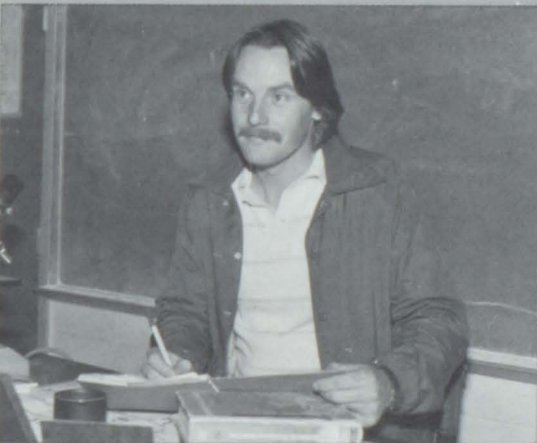
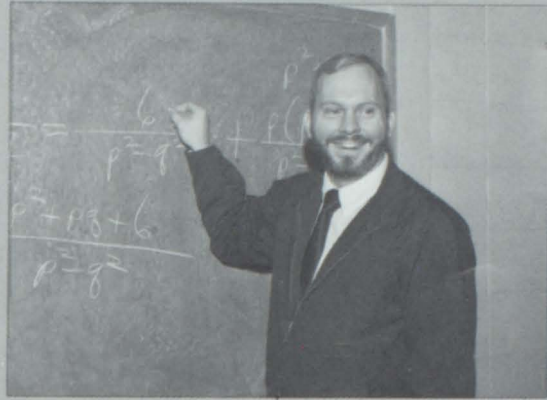
Mr. Greene was also part of the physical education department, and was the Sophomore Class sponsor.

Basic math students are assisted with a homework assignment by Miss Joann Newberry.



Max Greene helps his junior high class get started on an assignment.

High school math teacher Morgan Dale works an equation on the board for his algebra students.

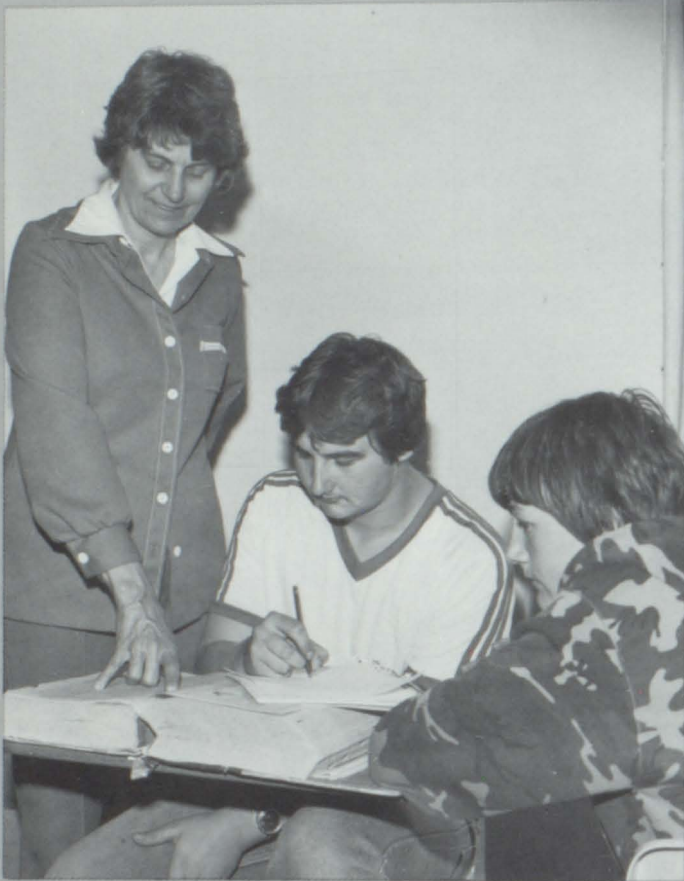


Science instructor Glen Boyer takes down quiz grades from his physical science class.

Miss Joann Newberry helps Claire Brennan, Michelle Ballew, and Mica Watterson with eighth grade graduation plans.

Junior high science teacher Max Greene lectures for his seventh grade class.

*How to correctly use a dictionary is shown to English I students Mike Dodson and Larry Morris by Mrs. Lelia Perkins.*



*Research paper techniques are explained to Senior English students by Mrs. Kay Goss.*

*English I students work on a dictionary exercise in Mrs. Lelia Perkin's class.*

## **Dasmalchi ranks fifth in state radio meet**

After qualifying at the district level, speech student Glenn Dasmalchi went on to be ranked fifth in the state in radio speaking competition held at Columbia.

Mrs. Kay Goss, an MHS graduate teaching here for the first time, also had students involved in debate, duet acting, and reader's theatre in several area meets during the school year.

Mythology was offered for the first time in several years, and Mrs. Goss included the study of Greek, Roman, Norse, Chinese, and American Indian gods and related myths.

In the Summit Conference English Contest held at Seymour, Mansfield students captured two of the four division trophies, and finished third overall of the five schools entered.

Glenn Dasmalchi won the trophy in composition, and Rhonda Top took the trophy in mechanics. Others winning first place ribbons were Shelli Top, Lynette Top, Steven Day, and Roger Turner.

Mrs. Goss was a Pep Club and Junior Class sponsor.

Journalism students taught by Mrs. Debbie Arnall brought home the state individual newspaper sweepstakes title, and had 17 newspaper and yearbook projects that were state competition winners.

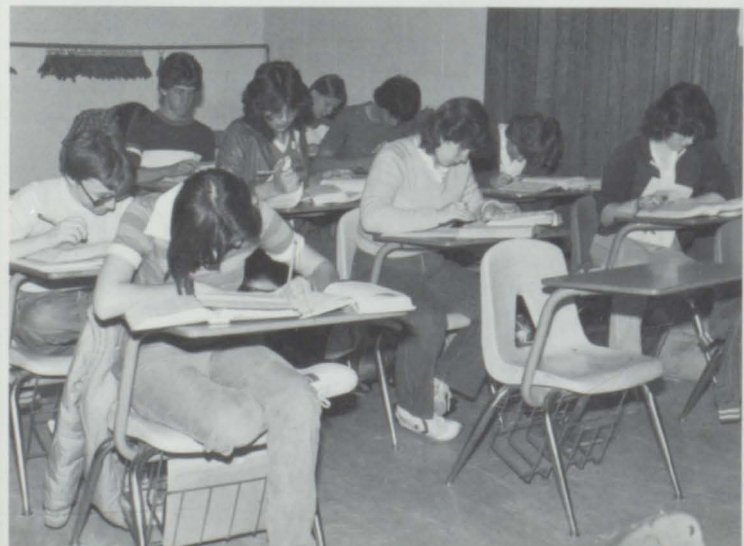
In addition to being English department head, Mrs. Arnall sponsored the Junior Class.

German I and II instructor Mrs. Dorris Sheets, who doubled as elementary librarian, entered several students in a German Contest held at Joplin. First year students taking first place ratings were Mike Fairbairn, reading comprehension; John Magdziarz, grammar; and Glenda Biesemeyer, aural comprehension. Second year student Cathy Campie was rated first in grammar.

Mrs. Sheets was sponsor of German Club.

In addition to her junior high English classes and English I, Mrs. Lelia Perkins taught developmental study skills to junior high students. The class was nine weeks long, and was designed to better prepare students in the area of research, library use, and basic learning skills.

Mrs. Perkins was the seventh grade sponsor.





*Mrs. Kay Goss helps her Senior English class with research paper organization.*

*Correct pronunciation of German words is taught to her class by Mrs. Dorris Sheets.*



## Social studies contest offers new chance

A chance to compete with other area students in social studies knowledge was a new feature for the social science department.

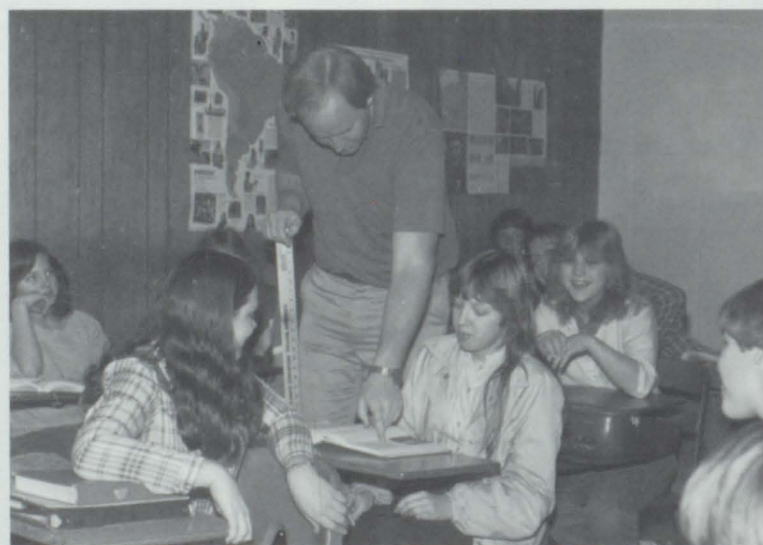
Department head Dan Lawson entered juniors Shawn McGill and Frank Dunbar in the history contest held in early spring at the West Plains Campus of Southwest Missouri State University. Over 50 schools from Missouri and Arkansas competed in three size divisions.

Mr. Lawson taught junior high social studies, as well as American History. He was the high school girls' basketball coach, and an eighth grade class sponsor.

Because of administrative duties connected with the Exceptional Child Cooperative (ECCO), Merlin Miller only taught social studies for half of the day. His four classes included a course in comparative government, which analyzed differences among communism, socialism, fascism, and democracy.

Semester classes in psychology and sociology were the only social studies courses taught by Mrs. Debbie Arnall. Her other classes were English credits.

Mrs. Arnall was the newspaper, yearbook, and Junior Class sponsor.

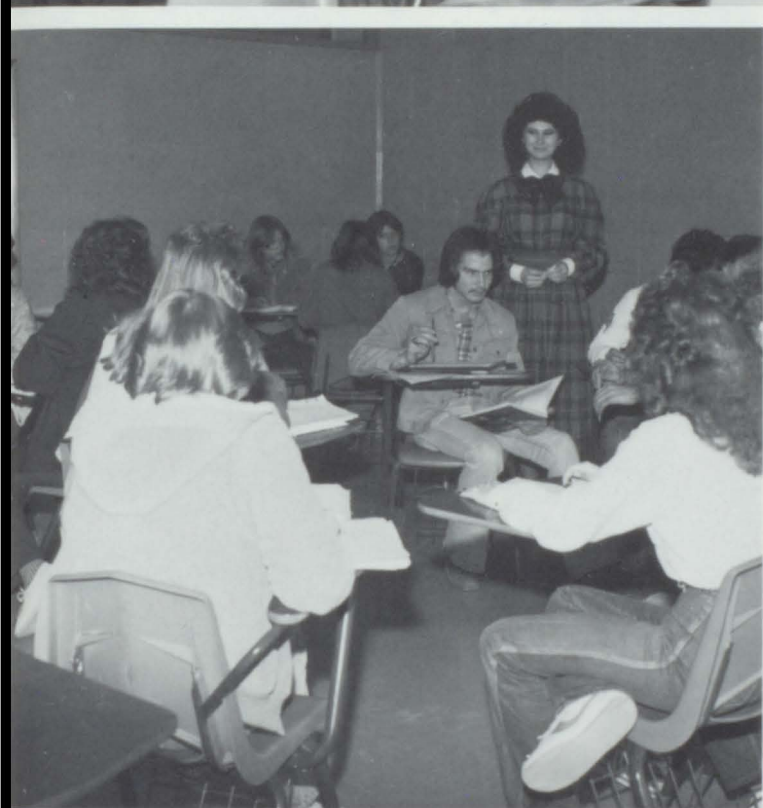


*Social studies teacher Dan Lawson helps his eighth grade students find an answer for a study question.*

*Reading in newspapers about world history as it happens is an important part of the class taught by Merlin Miller.*



*Mrs. Debbie Arnall checks roll for her second hour sociology class.*

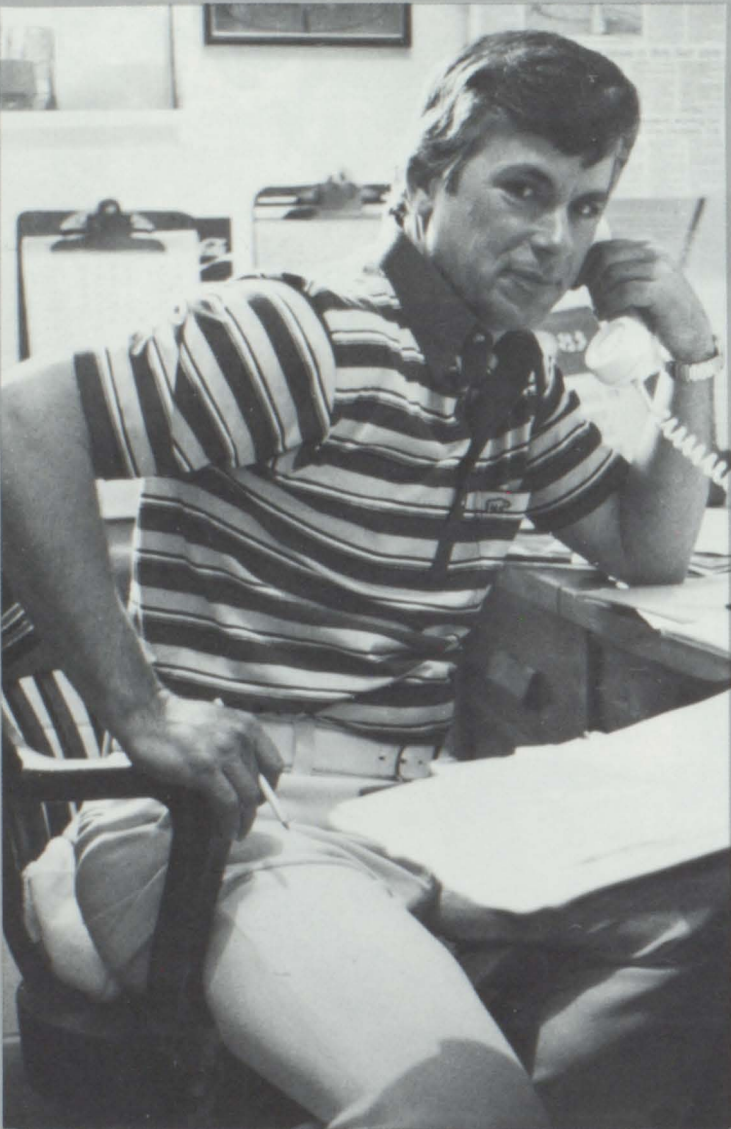


*Comparative government students discuss world events with history teacher Merlin Miller.*

*Working in small groups, Mrs. Debbie Arnall's sociology students discuss social class differences.*



*Setting up a recording for his eighth grade class, Dan Lawson explains its purpose to the students.*



*As athletic director, Jim Nichols spends hours talking on the telephone to set up schedules for each sport.*

*How to correctly serve a volleyball is one of the things Miss Stacey Putnam teaches her freshman physical education class.*

## Four of six coaches new to Mansfield

Four of the six coaching positions at MHS were filled by newcomers to Mansfield.

Miss Stacey Putnam took over duties as girls' volleyball and softball coach. She also taught elementary, junior high, and high school physical education classes. Miss Putnam was the sponsor for both high school cheerleading squads, and was a Pep Club sponsor.

Ron Kreisel came into the system as junior high basketball coach and also as assistant coach for high school basketball and baseball. In addition, he taught elementary, junior high, and high school physical education classes.

The high school girls' basketball team was coached by Dan Lawson, junior high social studies teacher.

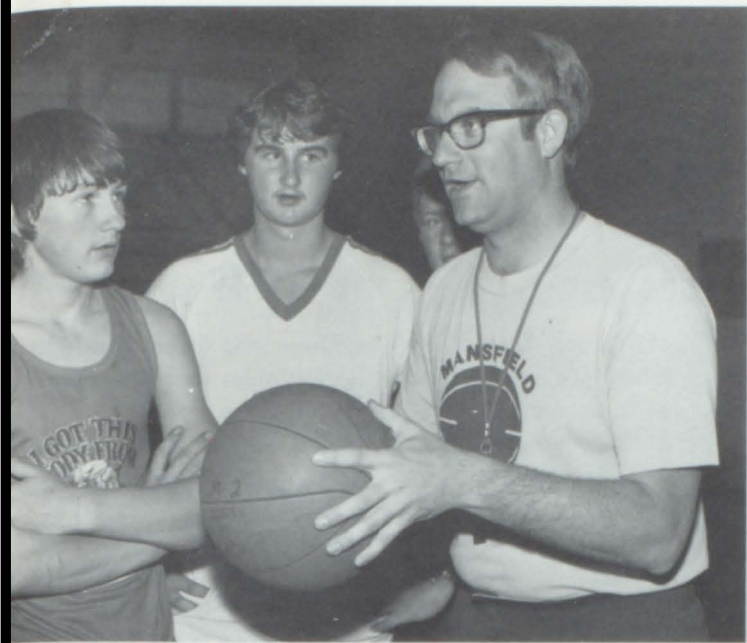
Morgan Dale, high school math teacher, was coach for junior high girls' basketball, offered for the first time this year.

The two returning members of the coaching staff were Mansfield natives Max Greene and Jim Nichols, completing ten and two years, respectively, at MHS.

Track and cross country coach Max Greene also taught a lifetime activities class that studied swimming, tennis, archery, riflery, and other sports. He was junior high science teacher and sponsor of the Sophomore Class.

Jim Nichols had duties as athletic director, and senior high basketball and baseball coach. He was also instructor for the drivers' education classes.





*Ron Kreisel explains a basketball technique to freshman physical education students Larry Morris and Mike Dodson.*

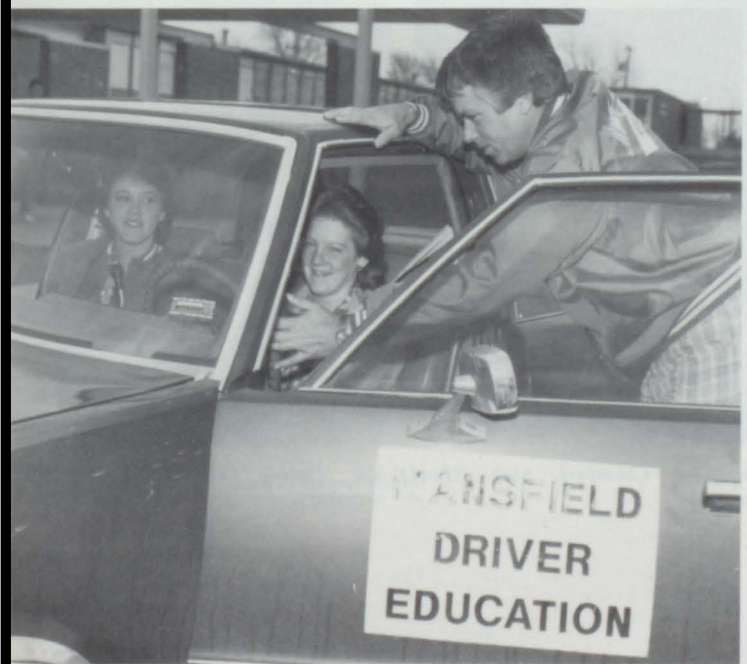
*In the spring when the weather refuses to warm enough for outdoor activities, physical education students can still play basketball in the gym.*



*Right after school starts in August the municipal pool is still open and physical education classes are allowed to go swimming.*

*Miss Stacey Putnam directs Lynette Top in a series of push-ups.*

*Proper procedures for driving are explained to Carla Stanifer and Kelly Hensy by drivers' education teacher Jim Nichols.*



## Superintendent Perry completes five years at MHS

Superintendent of Schools Robert Perry completed his fifth year in the Mansfield R-IV school system. The last three years have been as superintendent, and the first two years he was the high school principal.

Gene Garrison finished his third year as principal of the junior and senior high school.

The only new member to the administrative staff was James Tipling, who took over as principal of Laura Ingalls Wilder Elementary, coming to Mansfield from the Wheatland school system.

Mrs. Ruby Johns has been employed by the system for 19 years. She was elementary secretary the first 8 years, and for the past 11 years she has been the superintendent's secretary and the school bookkeeper.

For 12 years, Mrs. Cleo Chambers has been the high school principal's secretary and receptionist. She also spent three years as secretary in the elementary school.

Mrs. Debbie Letsinger completed her second year as elementary secretary. Mrs. Letsinger had previously been the junior high secretary for three years.

A new secretarial position was filled by Mrs. Lana Kirkland, who had worked prior to this year as an elementary aide. Mrs. Kirkland was secretary to special programs coordinator Merlin Miller, and she also was responsible for lunch records.

The Mansfield Board of Education was headed by President Kay Dennis. The only new board member this year was Steve Moody.



*Board of Education members Dale Keith, Steve Moody, Kay Dennis, Mrs. Joyce Vinson, and Johnny Watterson, right. Above, Mike Hensy.*



*Mrs. Lana Kirkland, special programs secretary.*



*Mrs. Ruby Johns, secretary to the superintendent.*



*Mrs. Cleo Chambers, high school secretary.*



*Mrs. Debbie Letsinger, elementary secretary.*

*Junior and Senior High School Principal  
Gene Garrison.*



*Wilder Elementary School Principal James  
Tipling.*



*Superintendent of Schools Robert Perry.*

*Mrs. Paula Bogart, elementary EMR teacher.*

*Mrs. Connie Bishop, elementary and junior and junior high music teacher.*

*Miss Stephanie Wright, junior and senior high school EMR-LD teacher.*



*Mrs. Okema Haden, junior and senior high school counselor.*

*Mrs. Marilyn Parker, elementary and junior high art teacher.*



*Mrs. Dorris Sheets, elementary librarian.*

*Mrs. Jean Nelson, junior and senior high school librarian.*

## Extra teachers provide special instruction

In addition to regular classroom teachers, the Mansfield school system has a wide range of teachers whose duties are to provide more specialized training.

Three of these teachers divided their time between the elementary school and the junior and senior high school.

Mrs. Connie Bishop taught a seventh and eighth grade music class in addition to her elementary music classes. She put on three main programs during the year; a Christmas musical, a spring concert, and the kindergarten graduation.

Elementary art teacher Mrs. Marilyn Parker also taught a first hour junior high art class.

Mrs. Dorris Sheets, elementary librarian, taught German I and II for high school students, and was the sponsor for German Club.

High school librarian Mrs. Jean Nelson taught a course in library science, which was offered in the curriculum for the first time. Students learned skills such as how to use the card catalog and the Dewey decimal system.

Mrs. Okema Haden was the junior and senior high school counselor. She served as test coordinator and as a consultant to students for class selection and for college preparation.

Three teachers provided instruction for students who needed special attention.

Mrs. Carol Garrison moved from high school EMR to take over the elementary learning disabilities duties. Mrs. Paula Bogart taught elementary EMR students, and Miss Stephanie Wright was the instructor for junior and senior high school EMR and learning disabilities students.

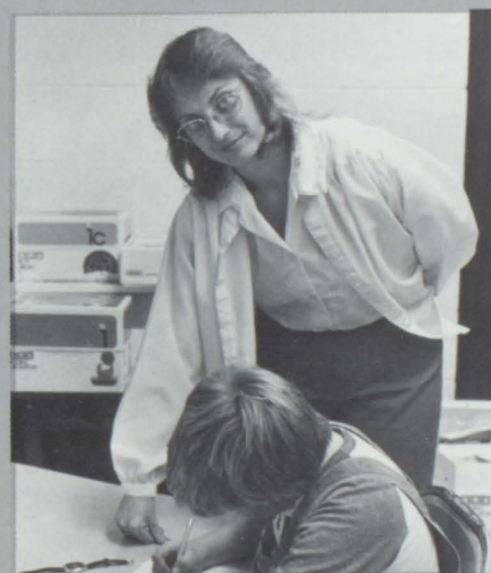
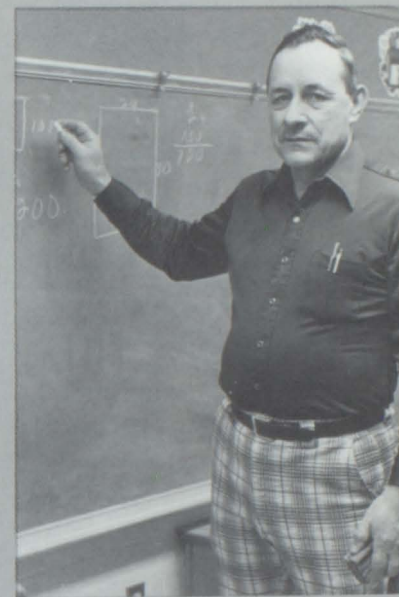
Four teachers were involved in remedial instruction to help students keep up with their class if they lagged behind. Mrs. Helen Lawrence taught remedial reading, Mrs. Linda Graham taught remedial language arts, Mr. Dallas Chambers taught remedial math, and Miss Susan Roeger was speech therapist.



*Miss Susan Roeger, elementary speech and language therapist.*

*Mrs. Linda Graham, remedial language arts teacher.*

*Mrs. Carol Garrison, elementary learning disabilities teacher.*



*Mrs. Helen Lawrence, remedial reading teacher.*

*Mr. Dallas Chambers, remedial math teacher.*

## Cooperative center moves to Mansfield

ECCO, the Exceptional Child Cooperative Center, moved one of its area educational centers to Mansfield this year.

According to Dr. Winifred Bowers, the executive director of ECCO, the center was moved from Seymour to Mansfield because the Seymour center was overcrowded. ECCO decided to transfer some of the Seymour students to Marshfield and also to construct a new center in Mansfield.

The Mansfield center offered specialized instruction for deaf, emotionally handicapped, learning disabled, and orthopedically handicapped students. Students from Mansfield, Sparta, Ava, Mtn. Grove, Seymour, and Hartville attended the center.

In addition to specialized instruction, the ECCO Center worked closely with Mansfield Schools through special programs coordinator Merlin Miller. The center was subject to Mansfield School Board policy, and the teachers were employed by the Mansfield system. ECCO students ate lunch in the school cafeteria, had the same benefits as other students, and could participate in school functions.

ECCO was formed as a result of a 1973 Missouri law requiring school districts to provide appropriate education for each student's developmental needs. As a result, eleven school districts formed ECCO to best meet the needs of the school districts.

Those schools were Ava, Fordland, Hartville, Logan-Rogersville, Mansfield, Marshfield, Mtn. Grove, Niangua, Norwood, Seymour, and Sparta.

However, after being a successful operation since 1974, in early 1983 ECCO developed problems. The results of a federal audit showed that \$49,429 in federal money had been misused.

The audit, covering 1980 through 1982, showed violations in overstated payments to center personnel, education expenditures, and operating expenditures.

During this period, the Seymour School District was ECCO's fiscal agent, and was declared responsible for the debt. As a result of the audit, Dr. Bowers resigned, Marshfield withdrew from the co-op, and the remaining members voted to exclude Seymour from membership.

After weeks of meetings, the remaining membership voted to dissolve ECCO at the end of the 1983 school year.

Four superintendents of area schools reached a cooperative agreement on handicapped education. Schools that will be in the new program are Mansfield, Hartville, Mtn. Grove, and Ava.

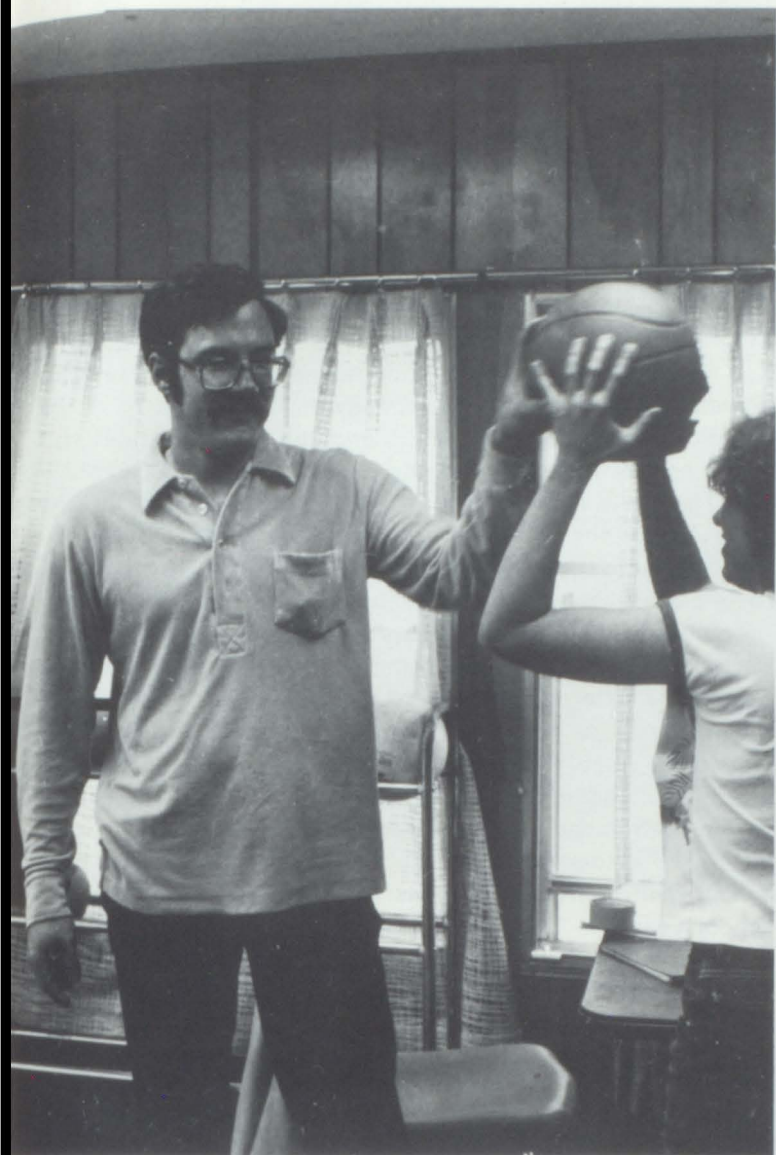
Under the new agreement, participating schools will retain their current handicapped programs. The difference is that each school will be financially independent and will pay other schools tuition for use of their programs.

Mansfield will retain and provide services in the areas of orthopedically handicapped, deaf, and behavioral disorder education.

*Mrs. Ann Henson, ECCO teacher for the deaf.*



*The ECCO campus is located on Commercial Street, near the downtown business district.*



*Mike Mahoney, bus driver and general aide for ECCO.*

*Mrs. Martha Swick, ECCO behavioral disorders teacher.*



*Mrs. Mary Blakey, teacher for the orthopedically handicapped.*

*Mrs. Lucille Welch, behavioral disorders aide; Mrs. Gussie Worstell, secretary and aide; and Janice McNeil, orthopedically handicapped aide.*

*Elementary janitors Bill Bennett and Bob Maxwell.*



*High school janitors Earl Paxton and Geoff DeChenne.*

## Staff remains stable after previous cuts

Last year, cuts in federal and state programs resulted in staff reductions in the Mansfield school system.

Several positions, including aides and janitors, were eliminated in order to save money.

However, things stabilized, and the staff positions this year remained much the same as in the previous year.

Three aides were employed by the system. Mrs. Dorothy Mitchell was the fifth grade aide, and Mrs. Helen Euler was the first grade aide. Both of these grades were especially large classes. Mrs. Patsy McCrite was the EMR and learning disabilities aide, helping out the junior high and high school during the morning and working in the elementary building during the afternoon.

The cooking staff remained the same. Lunch prices also stayed the same, after taking a jump the year before. Student lunch prices were 60¢ for the elementary, 65¢ for junior and senior high school, and 75¢ for the faculty.

Earl Paxton took over Robert Johns' position as high school janitor after Mr. Johns retired during the previous school year.

The bus drivers remained active, running their regular morning and afternoon bus routes and driving buses on field trips and to ball games.



*School nurse Mrs. Biddie Carter bandages a cut hand.*

*Mansfield bus drivers Wayne Suits, Claude Dale, Jerry Kusch, Emmett Allen, Lester Davis, James Helsley, James Lund, Charles Robinson, Bill Gray, Eddie Fulbright, Not shown, supervisor Morris Moody.*



*Mrs. Marge Short, Mrs. Pat Dennis, Mrs. Colleen Garman, Mrs. Connie Calhoun, Mrs. Sue Findley, and Mrs. Jean Helsley make up the six member cooking staff.*



*Mrs. Patty McCrite, EMR and learning disabilities aide.*

## Class officers not always busy

Although the junior officers carry a great deal of responsibility for raising money and hosting the Junior-Senior Prom, other class officers mainly function at class meetings held several times a year.

In fact, some of them don't even get to do much at class meetings.

"I really didn't get to do too much because Don (Brennan) was always here." Melissa Bogart, sophomore vice president.

"I liked being reporter for my class, but I really didn't do too much." Jeff Newton, junior reporter.

"I just sat around while Ronnie (Rebura) did all the work." Greg Kirkland, junior vice president.

Since the person elected to the office of class president is also automatically a member of Student Council, there are definite rules of election.

Those wanting to run for class president are required to circulate petitions and get the required number of signatures, 15, before they can place their name in nomination.

Other offices are done by oral nominations at class meetings.

*"You learn more about responsibility, and you try to take things more seriously."*

*Freshman President Missy Lair*



Junior officers are Kitty Conley, treasurer; Greg Kirkland, vice president; Jean Magdziarz, secretary; Ronnie Rebura, president; and Jeff Newton, reporter.

Seventh grade officers are Timmy Brooke, treasurer; Claire Brennan, president; Romin Dasmalchi, vice president; and Susan Zorsch, secretary.





*Eighth grade officers are Becky Brennan, treasurer; Jana Euler, secretary; Craig Carter, vice president; and Jackie Batchellor, president.*



*Sophomore officers are Michelle Taylor, secretary; Becky Stofer, treasurer; Jenny Noble, reporter; Melissa Bogart, vice president; and Don Brennan, president.*



*Freshman officers are Becky Dennis (front), secretary; Rebecca Bennett, treasurer; Missy Lair, president; and Danny Hylton, vice president.*

## Candy spells headaches for juniors

Selling candy bars. It is a traditional junior project at MHS.

Every year members of the class are required to sell at least four boxes of candy bars to be able to get to go to Prom.

The boxes of 48 candy bars that sell for 50¢ each make a profit of \$12 each for the class.

In one year's time, juniors sell about 300 boxes or 14,400 candy bars. At about 200 calories each, if one person ate all the candy bars they would show a weight gain of 800 pounds.

Although everybody likes to eat the candy bars, practically no one really enjoys selling them. It takes responsibility and time. It may not have taken a great deal of time to sell each box, but juniors had to watch over it all the time to make sure no money was taken, or the candy bars themselves, because they would have to make up the difference from their own pocket.

Juniors had different ideas on how

they felt about selling candy bars.

Melissa Calhoun said, "It's okay, except when kids come by the bunches to get a candy bar and they're screaming and yelling and you're in a hurry to get to class before you're late."

"I don't like it when little kids come up to me all at the same time wanting candy bars when I'm busy trying to talk to someone else," Greg Kirkland said.

There were other problems besides being mobbed by customers - "I couldn't sell very many candy bars, so I ate all of them," Kitty Conley said.

Misha Manely didn't like selling candy bars when people came up to her with a handful of pennies and she would have to stand there and count every one just in case someone tries to short change her.

Ronnie Rebura didn't like carrying the box around because it was a pain, and there was no place to put them down if he had to do something.



Craig Adamson  
Nancy Anderson  
Pat Barba  
Kent Bennett  
Todd Biesemeyer  
Joan Billings  
Kim Calhoun



Melissa Calhoun  
Missy Clark  
Bill Clements  
Darryl Climer  
Kitty Conley  
Greg Connell  
DeWayne Cook



Susan Cook  
Jeff Cornelius  
Mark Cruse  
Garland Dotson  
Brad Dunbar  
Frank Dunbar  
Sheila Dunbar



Robby Durham  
Gary Edwards  
Mark Euler  
Cam Fairbairn  
Mike Fairbairn  
Chris Ghan  
Angela Jones



Junior class favorites are Frank Dunbar and Shelli Top.

Jean Magdziarz and Kitty Conley cut up during typing class.



Waterpainting a picture of an orange requires concentration on the part of Virginia Severs.

Selecting class rings is a long-awaited privilege of the juniors.



Kevin Keith  
Donnie Kelley  
Greg Kirkland  
Lisa Kirkland  
Donna Kuhn  
Becky Livingston  
Joy Logan

Rose Lyons  
Jean Magdziarz  
Misha Manely  
Jackie McCleary  
Ronda McDowell  
Shawn McGill  
Cissy Mitchell

Alan Morris  
Jeff Newton  
Mike Pearson  
Kay Ramsey  
Ronnie Rebur  
Stan Richardson  
Denise Robinson

Virginia Severs  
T.J. Slate  
Sheila Smith  
Bobby Stofer  
Shelli Top  
John Vinson  
Paula Wingo

Not Shown:  
Troy Cowell  
Brad Tutt

Jack Barba  
Timmy Barnum  
Charlene Batten  
Melissa Bogart



Rosie Borders  
Ronnie Box  
Don Brennan  
Stacey Bruce  
Cleo Calhoun  
Cathy Campie  
John Carter



Robin Clark  
Stephanie Clark  
Monica Clawson  
Larry Cook  
Chad Dacumos  
Sonya Davis  
Brad Dotson



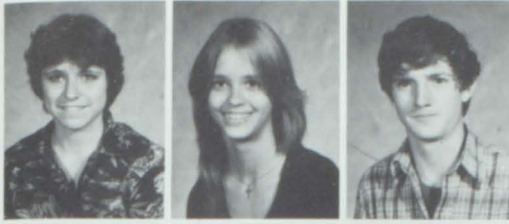
Sherri Dougherty  
Lesia Durham  
Mike Henry  
Randy Henry  
Kelly Hensy  
Scott Huffman  
Laura Keeling



It was "help yourself" time at the farewell party.  
Teary-eyed friends cluster around Shurma Pervin,  
saying good-bye.

Bangladesh native Shurma Pervin and her  
going-away card.





Mary Kennedy  
Norma Lansdown  
Gerald Lynn



Vi Lyons  
John Magdziarz  
Bryan Matlock  
Eric McCrite  
Pete McNeil  
Jenny Noble  
Susan Oliver



Tamara Perkins  
Shurma Pervin  
Kelly Robinson  
Shelly Smallwood  
Carla Stanifer  
Steven Starrett  
Becky Stofer



Michelle Taylor  
Rhonda Top  
Peggy Tuders  
Roger Turner  
Jacqueline Van Ness  
Gordon Vogt  
Cindy Whipple  
Not Shown: Brenda Calhoun,  
Jay Clark, Delinda King

## Party held for sophomore girl

"Good-bye doesn't mean forever" was the theme for the Student Council-sponsored going away party held for Shurma Pervin.

Shurma came to the United States from Bangladesh two years ago and started school at MHS as an eighth grader. She was midway through her sophomore year when her parents decided they wanted her to come home. (She had been living with her uncle and his family in Mansfield).

Since Shurma was the only foreign student the school has had, the Council thought that a party was in order to show Shurma that she would be missed.

Permission was obtained from the elementary school authorities for the daytime use of the multi-purpose room, and everything was set in motion.

Student Council collected donations from clubs and organizations for

food and also for an engraved bracelet that was presented to Shurma at the party.

All of fifth hour was set aside for the party and the entire high school was allowed to attend. Mrs. Rachel Kluthe made a short speech about Shurma. After that, she was given the bracelet, which was engraved with her name on the front and MHS on the back, and a large card which practically everyone in the school had signed. Mrs. Kathy Barnett had decorated a cake for the occasion.

Gary Holmes operated the sound system and played music for the rest of the hour for a few dancers. Most people just sat around and visited.

The party gave everyone the chance to say good-bye to Shurma and remind her that "good-bye doesn't mean forever."



Sophomore class favorites are Mike Henry and Melissa Bogart.

## Freshmen like picking own classes

Freshmen class favorites are Brett Dennis and Brenda Miller.



Changes come with the transition from junior high to high school. With the freshman year there is a greater need to be responsible, students can join clubs, and there is a multitude of extra curricular activities to become involved in.

However, getting to choose your own classes is one of the biggest differences between junior high and high school.

Freshman can decide when they want to take a class, and in what order.

Of course, there are some classes that are required, but it is still possible to take them any of the four years in high school.

Most of the freshman do take the required courses first, like science, math, English, and social studies, just to "get them over with."

What are some of the advantages to choosing your own classes? "I think that the advantages of choosing our own classes are that we have a chance to go into classes which interest us," Arian Dasmalchi said.

"I feel that there are many advantages to choosing my own classes because everybody has different interests," Tricia Peterson said.

Just class interests are not the only reason people like choosing their own classes.

Glenda Biesemeyer said, "Picking my own classes gives me a chance to get away from the people who irritate you most. In junior high and elementary you got stuck with them all day. If you get lucky you might only have them one or two hours a day."

Albert Aborn  
Coleena Anderson  
Rebecca Bennett  
Glenda Biesemeyer  
Alice Calhoun  
Brad Cannon  
James Cantrell



Mike Cantrell  
Edward Colston  
Sean Connell  
Martha Cox  
Sarah Cox  
Kim Crews  
Arian Dasmalchi



Becky Dennis  
Brett Dennis  
Mike Dodson  
Regina Freeman  
Pam Gage  
Candy Giffin  
Matt Gittings



Danny Hylton  
Rhonda Hedrick  
Lavadia Hicks  
Lance Johnson  
Lisa Johnson  
Lori Johnson  
Melinda Keeling





*Theresa Keith looks through a friend's senior memory book.*

*Mustaches and fingernails are just a few of the carnival prizes displayed by Stephanie Clark and Edith Matney.*



Theresa Keith  
Janet Kennedy  
Dwayne King  
Tony King  
Missy Lair  
Angela Levan  
Edith Matney

Monty McConnell  
Brian McDowell  
Kenny Moody  
Larry Morris  
Brenda Miller  
Shelly Napier  
Teresa Napier

Patricia Peterson  
Kristie Philpott  
Kim Price  
Jerry Ragsdale  
Kenny Rogers  
Janet Schofield  
Gail Smith

Duane Stephenson  
Lynette Top  
Rick Turley  
Shannon Watterson  
Dwight Young  
Nick Zorsch

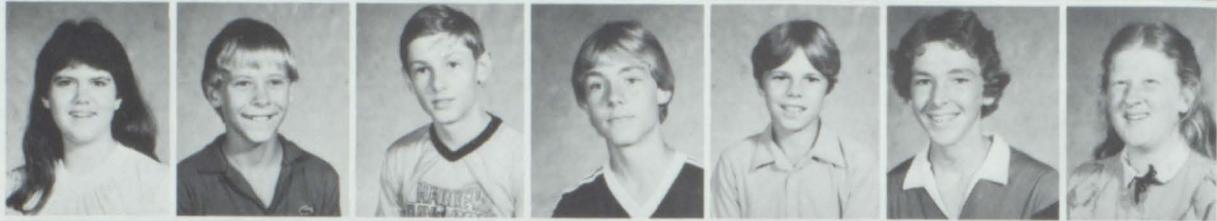
Brice Adamson  
Rona Baker  
Michelle Ballew  
Tammy Barlett



Teresa Barnum  
Jackie Batchellor  
Rhonda Bogart  
Steven Box  
Angie Bradshaw  
Becky Brennan  
Annette Briggs



Sabrina Brimm  
Steven Bruce  
Scott Calhoun  
Craig Carter  
Kevin Clouse  
Kevin Cornelius  
Rhonda Cruse



Brad Detherage  
Jerry Durham  
Stephanie Eidson  
Jana Euler  
Brent Evans  
Mona Farris  
Joe Freeman



Randall Fuge  
Ricky Henry  
Tony Henry  
Mercede Hire  
Susan Huffman  
Lisa Hulse  
Jon Ingerson



*Decked out in green sunglasses, Jackie Batchellor strolls down the hall with Susan Huffman.*

*Walking to the lunchroom on a cold wintery day causes eighth graders to walk briskly.*



*Mona Farris leads the line into the elementary building, as they head for the lunchroom.*



Clay Jackson  
Angie Johnson  
Greg Jones  
Karen Kirkland



Mike Kirshfield  
Candi Light  
Kenny Lindsey  
Brenda Livingston  
Kevin Martin  
Joyce Matney  
Nova McClain



Becky McConnell  
Julie McNeil  
Shaun Moore  
Brett Neal  
Bobby Page  
Callie Pruitt  
Serena Quessenberry



Darin Raney  
Kimberly Robinson  
Paul Rogers  
Noel Rummens  
Patty Short  
Devonna Sickels  
Brian Stacy



Laura Suits  
Byron Taylor  
Scott Tipling  
Mica Watterson  
Tamara Woolsey  
Kelly Young  
Mary Ann Young

## Eighth grade learns by watching

As the eighth grade class went through its final year of junior high, students took on new projects and new ways of learning things.

New projects in science included dissecting frogs. Mike Kirshfield said that dissecting was "fun and most liked it, but some got sick."

Students in social studies learned part of American History in a different way. They watched "The Blue and the Gray", a television series about the Civil War, on the school's video-tape system. Angie Bradshaw said watching "The Blue and the Gray" was a lot better than reading from a book

because it was "more interesting and easier to understand."

Of course, eighth graders once again went on their traditional trip to Jefferson City. There they visited the capitol building and later stopped by Dogpatch.

Most of the class also looked forward to the first year of high school. Brad Detherage said he looked forward to high school sports and Noel Rummens said he was looking forward to using computers. Other things eighth graders said they would enjoy in high school included new classes, Homecoming, and free lunch periods.



Elizabeth Euler, Diane Holt, and April Light play bingo at the school carnival.

Romin Dasmalchi jumps into the pool during physical education class.



Jerry Allen  
Mike Barba  
Wendy Bogart  
Claire Brennan  
Benita Brooke  
Timmy Brooke  
Lonnie Clark



Brad Cline  
Jana Cole  
Carl Cook  
Lonnie Cook  
Danny Cox  
Lesa Crawford  
Angela Cruse



Romin Dasmalchi  
Denise Davis  
Gary Davis  
Tammy Davis  
Dondra Dowsey  
Rhonda Dowsey  
Angie Durham



Larry Durham  
Lori Emerick  
Elizabeth Euler  
John Farmer  
Tricia Gage  
Kelly Hall  
Diane Holt



Tony Hooker  
Clint Jackson  
Wade Johnson



## Seventh grade signals changes

For most seventh graders, their first year in junior high is quite a change. Bells, lockers, and changing rooms are all things seventh graders get used to the first few weeks.

They have been used to being propelled through the day on a fairly rigid schedule. Seventh graders also found out that special projects were also included in their schedule. One of the largest projects for them was social studies. Each student was required to help construct a topographical map of a country. Most maps were made with plaster or play dough and showed the shape, mountain regions, and basins in different

countries.

April Light and Jana Cole made a map of Mexico after studying about the country in a book. They said they enjoyed the project because they "like art and history."

Tim Page said that making his map of Australia taught him "more about Australia's population and stuff."

Other countries students studied and used to make maps were the United States, Italy, Austria, Spain, China, Bavaria, and India. These projects were made under the direction of junior high social studies teacher Mr. Dan Lawson.

*Bundled up against the cold, Miss Joann Newberry takes her seventh grade class to lunch.*



Kelley Jones  
Vickey Jones  
Joe Kabage  
Tommy Keith  
Kevin Kelly  
Tim King  
James Kirkland



Sheila Kirshfield  
Wesley Lebahn  
April Light  
John Livingston  
Angelique Manely  
Brian Matney  
Launa Matlock



Charlie McClain  
Darrin Moore  
Rick Oliver  
Timmy Page  
Patti Richardson  
Michelle Rogers  
Beth Ann Rose



Georgia Rose  
Nancy Severs  
Kirby Skyles  
Melissa Taylor  
John Top  
Michelle Walker  
Robbie Wallin



Travis Watterson  
Mike Williams  
Susan Zorsch





Peggy Hudgens  
Scott Ingerson  
Timmy Jolly  
Johnie Jones



Teresa Jones  
Jacob Kabage  
David Kuhn  
Kevin Lindsey  
Larry Livingston  
Joe Long  
Cassie McGill



Missy McGaw  
Angela Merritt  
Michelle Morris  
Hal Noble  
Julie Perry  
Randy Rebura  
Bryan Reed



Billy Rogers  
Johnny Round  
Jimmie Lynn Shirley  
Jacob Tanis  
James Turley  
Stacy Veit  
Cathy Whipple



Eddie Whipple  
David Wilkerson  
Wanda Williams  
Teresa Woolsey  
Lawanda Young  
Tammy Young  
Wayne Young  
Not Shown: Keith Downs,  
Donald Frecks, Julie Kelley.



Eddie Whipple hands the class work-  
books in to sixth grade teacher Mrs.  
Mary Lou Rush.



Compliments of Chas. W. Rush  
State Farm Insurance

Fifth grade teacher Mrs. Susie Graham, above.  
Below, aide Mrs. Dorothy Mitchell and fifth  
grade teacher Mrs. Kathryn Nichols.

During the Christmas program, fifth graders  
perform a song.



Lane Adamson  
Lance Adamson  
Robby Alexander  
Deidra Barnett  
Jon Batchellor  
Gina Box  
Scott Briggs



Matt Calhoun  
Darin Campie  
Shelly Clanton  
Kelly Clark  
Nancee Clouse  
Darrel Cornelius  
Peggy Dake



Jayme DeChenne  
Scott Dunsmuir  
Karrie Durham  
Lori Durham  
Robert Elliott  
Jimmy Farmer  
Kevin Foster



Jimmy Freeman  
Rebecca Fry  
Gary Greene  
Stuart Hanson  
Jackie Hendricks  
Marty Henry  
Lisa Hurst



Ray Hicks  
Bryon Ivy  
Robert Johnson  
Susan Jones  
Bruce Keith  
Deana Kelley





## Fifth grade tries stamp collecting

Philately, the art of stamp collecting, became the assignment "hobby" for many fifth graders.

Through the help and direction of the U.S. Postal Service's Stamp Club, the Benjamin Franklin Stamp Club, and Mansfield Postmaster Charles Liles, the fifth graders have begun to enjoy the hobby.

The area office of Postal Services had requested of Mr. Liles to inquire at the local school to see if any interest might be present and that was exactly what he found. Four of the students were already "philatelists" and Mrs. Susie Graham, fifth grade teacher, agreed to the club.

A representative from a Springfield branch came down to lecture and aid in the organization, and also came back once each month to show slides and media materials.

The two students with the most years as collectors, five, are Scott Dunsmuir and Shannon Kirkland. Together they have stamps from Hungary, England, Russia, Poland, and other foreign countries, not to mention domestic stamps.

Scott enjoys stamp collecting because, "It's just the fun of collecting, and the stamps will be worth a lot in the future."

Other established collectors are Gary Greene and Shane Potts, each collecting for two years. The reasons for collecting stamps as a hobby were easy for Shane to put into words. "You can read 'em, look at 'em, guess how much they are worth," he said.

Other class members who have just started collecting as a result of the club are Heather Krider and Lisa Hurst.



Jeff King  
Shannon Kirkland  
Ricky Kirshfield  
Heather Krider  
Kathline Kuhn  
Cathrine Kuhn  
Eric Lansdown

Tracy Light  
Timmy Logan  
Ben Long  
Jeff Long  
Patty Matney  
J.J. McNeil  
Everett Merritt

Dena Munden  
Jamie Napier  
Keith Philpott  
Shane Potts  
John Ragsdale  
George Round  
David Severs

Jimmy Shropshire  
Karen Stacy  
Scott Storms  
Adam Tanis  
Andrea Tipling  
Mike Tuders  
Lesa Turner

Kelly Tutt  
Rodney Vogt  
Annetta Walker  
Jennifer Wallin  
Jason Worden  
Darrel Young

Donna Baker  
Mike Bogart  
Marc Brazeal  
Jeanne Bryan  
Kristy Burnett  
Scott Cantrell



Bobby Clanton  
Paul Clark  
Brad Cruse  
Kim Davis  
Benjie Dennis  
Shelly Detherage  
Tommy Dugger



Stephanie Duncan  
Donna Durham  
Shalawn Emerick  
Christi Evans  
Glen Evans  
Melissa Farris  
Vickie Franks



Tina Gage  
Kris Gray  
Ben Hall  
Kevin Hall  
John Hooker  
Julie Jurewicz  
Jamie Kabage



## Fourth grade helps others learn

The fourth grade students spent the year helping others learn, as well as learning themselves.

In a project to help kindergarten students learn the alphabet, Mrs. Vicki Box's class made books of the alphabet. For each letter, the students wrote a short poem and drew a picture. Some books had a theme. Glen Evans' was on football.

"I picked different teams and players for each letter and wrote a poem on each one," he said.

Some other themes used were food and celebrities.

The books were designed as a creative writing project. The binding was made from cardboard, newspaper, and yard.

"It made the students aware of

how much work even a simple book takes," Mrs. Box said.

To help in understanding the life of early United States Presidents, Mrs. Elaine Crump's class built a model log cabin. The project was started in November and finished in March. The structure was made of cardboard, fabric, glue and sticks, collected outside or brought from home.

Two groups were formed, one to work on the outside and the other to furnish the cabin. But the building was not without at least a few difficulties. At one point the logs slid off the building before the glue dried.

But problems did not spoil the spirit of the students.

"I liked it all," Jamie McClain said.

*Piles of books and papers set the scene for an assignment ready to be tackled by fourth graders.*



Matt King  
Karl Kusch  
Diane Lansdown  
Joyce Lansdown  
Rachelle Lansdown  
Shannon Matney



Robbie Maxwell  
Jamie McClain  
Angie Miller  
Matt Moody  
Diane Morris  
Shawn Moss  
Brent Napier



Brian Pearce  
Tammy Piland  
Angela Rose  
Maxi Sharp  
Billy Stofer  
Randy Taylor  
Clay Thompson



Clint Thompson  
George Thompson  
Floyd Turley  
Tiffany Watterson  
Terry Welker  
Danny Young  
Mike Young



Fourth grade teacher Mrs. Elaine Crump  
and student Christi Evans.



Some projects require floor space and lots  
of glue, Kevin Hall, Clint Thompson, and  
Paul Clark have found.



Fourth grade teacher Mrs. Vicki Box.

## Third graders learn sign language

Cursive writing and multiplication have long been standard subjects for third graders. Sign language has not, but Mansfield third graders literally got to try their hands at that type of communication.

Teaching sign language to students with normal hearing was suggested by Mrs. Ann Hensen, teacher of deaf education at the Exceptional Child Cooperative (ECCO) Center located this year in Mansfield.

After the idea was approved by school authorities as a project for the third grade, students were given sign language instruction 30 minutes each week.

Learning the alphabet and numbers was the first step, then afterwards the students went on to learn words and sentences. Some students even went on to teach others. Candida Rovig and Serena Dunsmuir

taught sign language to Elementary Principal James Tipling.

According to third grade teachers Mrs. Mary Jo James and Mrs. Twila Collins, the third grade students picked sign language up very quickly.

Many third graders felt that learning sign language was important.

"It's important," Angela Kingery said, "so you can understand what deaf people say and talk back to them."

Nearly all of the students thought sign language was easy to learn. Some of them even use it in class to talk to each other.

From now on, these students may be using their new skill to communicate in a way they never could before. And teachers may have something else to watch for besides whispering and passing notes.

Third grade teacher Mrs. Twila Collins and students Marny Clark, Rochelle Lucas, Jennifer Greene, Shelby Hesterly, and Tiffany Lawson.

Mrs. Mary Jo James, third grade teacher.



Jennifer Adams  
James Barnett  
Melissa Carter  
Ben Choate  
Tommy Christenson  
Marny Clark  
Doug Coffman



Teresa Crouch  
Kristin Cummins  
Gina Davis  
Matt Downs  
Chris Dunn  
Serena Dunsmuir  
Chris Farris



Lester Farris  
Malcolm Gaddis  
Steve Garrison  
Tish Goss  
Jennifer Greene  
Don Hanger  
Shelby Hesterly



Frank Jones  
Carla King  
Shawn King  
Angela Kingery  
Tommy Kingery  
Heather Lansdown





*Third graders can always find time to giggle a little, as this group demonstrates.*



Gina LaRue  
Tiffany Lawson  
Kerrick Lindsey  
Mary Long  
Matt Lorimer  
Teresa Lowe  
Kristi McGill



Scott Muller  
Shannon Nichols  
Serina Page  
Tracy Piland  
Michael Porter  
Brandy Potts  
Crystal Pruitt



Marsha Ross  
Brian Round  
Candida Rovig  
Reggie Roy  
Barry Short  
Elizabeth Smith  
Carl Splain



Janet Turley  
Johnny VanNess  
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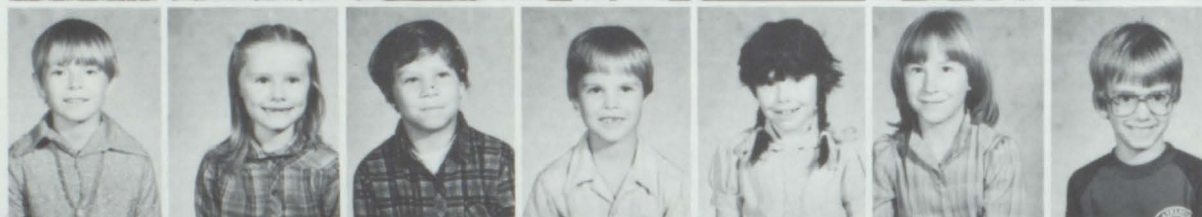
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Jamin Corder  
Jackie Cornelison  
Joey Conley  
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Marty Decker  
Melanie Downs  
Byron Dugger  
Steven Duncan  
Heather Fairbairn  
Stacy Frantz  
Jon Freeman



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*With the help of clapping hands and some rhythm instruments, second graders perform Christmas songs.*

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Jeremy Jones

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Miles Keith  
Evan Kinser  
Jackie Kirkland  
Angela Lansdown  
Beckie Lynn

Shawnya Matney  
David McDowell  
Joe McNeil  
Patricia Millsap  
Ryan Miller  
Jeri Moody  
Michelle Moody

Amy Morris  
Heather Muller  
Jarrett Nichols  
Vicky Noble  
Shannon Page  
Robbie Pierson  
Chris Rovig

Traci Sharp  
Donnie Squires  
Rachel Tanis  
James Tonkinson  
Kristi Vineyard  
Douglas Walker  
Tawna Watterson

## Antique bathtub motivates second grade

A main objective of second grade is to improve reading skills, and the Wilder Elementary second grade teachers have developed some innovative means of achieving this goal.

Each of the three classes has a special area in the room devoted to reading. In Mrs. Carol Anderson's room is the reading loft. Once a student has completed his work, he is able to go into the loft to read or work on math flash cards.

"It feels good sitting up there," Amy Compton said.

Mrs. Josie Adamson's class has a reading chair. Mrs. Adamson bought the chair from a church and because there was not room in her house for it, she brought it to school. The first student to get his work done and get to the chair is the one eligible to read.

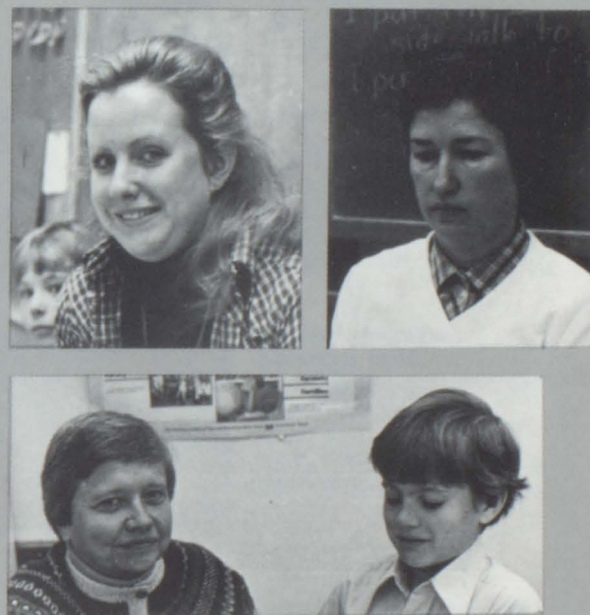
Stacey Arnall likes the chair "because it's fun and can help you do things better when you grow up."

Probably the most unusual reading place is in Mrs. Jean Coday's room. When a student reaches a certain reading level and can read a passage without mistakes, they can climb into an antique bathtub to read.

"I don't know how I thought of it. I was driving through the rain one day and saw it in a lady's yard," Mrs. Coday said.

The students enjoy reading in the tub (sometimes 3 or 4 at a time) and it makes them try more to get there.

"I feel happy when I'm in there and I try harder to get there," Heather Muller said, "and when no one else is in there you can lay down."



Top, second grade teachers Mrs. Carol Anderson and Mrs. Josephine Adamson. Bottom, Mrs. Jean Coday and second grader Miles Keith.

## First grade gives naps mixed reviews

*First grade teacher Mrs. Dorothy Wallace helps Randall Roy with an assignment.*



Most older students can remember being in elementary school and having to take naps everyday.

Chances are, except maybe for some grumbling among themselves or talking about it at home, they never got a chance to voice their opinion about school nap time. However, this year first graders were given the opportunity to speak up about whether or not they liked taking naps at school.

Although some kids liked naps, the majority wasn't very happy with the ritual that takes place two or three times a week.

Some didn't like naps because they wanted to be doing something else. Cheri Sharp would rather be bouncing, Misty Cornelison would rather be playing, and Jimmy Nichols

would rather be drawing pictures.

Kim Henry and Dan Lorimer don't like nap time because they don't like sleeping or resting.

"I just don't like it at all," Nicole Flageolle said about school naps.

Jason Farris is one of the children that likes naps.

"I like it," he said. "I get tired, rest, and get up and play some more."

According to Jessie Evans, nap time is a good deal when he isn't feeling well.

"I get tired during share time," he said, "especially when I have a cold."

Carol Farris and Stephanie Joseph like naps because they get tired. And believe it or not, Greg Henry and Misty Collins like naps because they think they are fun.

Bobbie Beck  
Elizabeth Bingham  
Adam Brooke  
Adam Bryan  
James Collins  
Misti Collins  
Stephanie Copeland



Misty Cornelison  
John Crain  
Monica Downs  
Jesse Evans  
Carol Farris  
Jason Farris  
Nicole Flageolle

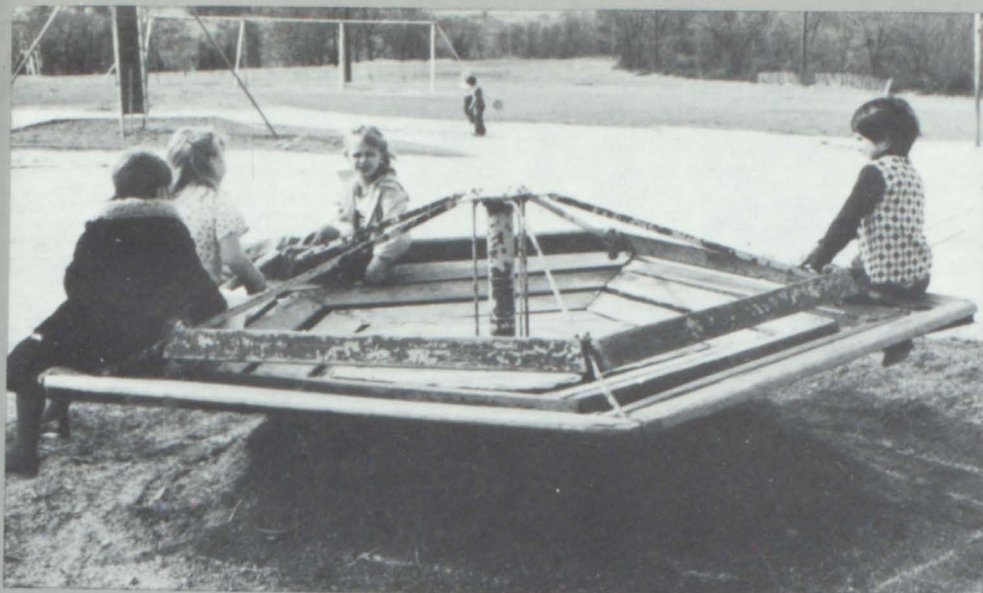


Virginia Fulbright  
Chad Hannaford  
Greg Henry  
Kim Henry  
Lisa Henry  
Kimberly Hyde  
Amy James



Stephanie Joseph  
Billy Kennedy  
Johnnie Kuhn  
Merriam Kusch





*Jennifer Shropshire, Jody Philpott, Holly Nichols and Johnnie Kuhn play on the merry-go-round during recess.*

*First grade teacher Mrs. Frances Coday with students Merriam Kusch and Stephanie Joseph.*

*Johnnie Kuhn watches John Lucas write a lesson on the chalkboard.*



Annette Lansdown  
Jacque Lansdown  
John Lucas  
Christy Letner  
Justin Long  
Dan Lorimer  
Donald Munden

Jimmy Nichols  
Holly Nichols  
Steven Pearson  
Jody Philpott  
Alan Quick  
Christy Riggs  
Randall Roy

Terry Schofield  
Cheri Sharp  
Jennifer Shropshire  
Areatha Sickels  
Joe Stephenson  
Tanisha Thacker  
Sunny Watterson

Shawn Williams  
Brenda Winsor  
David Young

Joey Allen  
Lonnie Bell  
Jocelynn Borders  
Lacie Briggs  
Jennifer Brooke  
Mark Brown



Rocky Brown  
Matthew Calhoun  
Chuck Campbell  
Shannon Cantrell  
John Carnall  
Janie Carter  
Lynda Christeson



Tommy Clouse  
Torrie Collins  
Christina Crouch  
Michael Davis  
Robby Decker  
Faye Dollarhide  
Michael Douglas



Holly Dry  
Melissa Dugger  
Jodi Edwards  
Dale Evans  
Korie Franz  
Jeremy Garrison  
Joseph Garrison



Belinda Gleason  
Carrie Gleason  
James Hanger  
Missy Honeycutt  
Stephanie House  
Lisa Hyde  
Brian Johnson



*Working on posters for the classroom is one of the jobs done by Mrs. Helen Euler, aide, and Mrs. Kay Scrivner, kindergarten teacher.*

*Kindergarten students raise their hands to show they have found the right crayon.*



*Mrs. Janet Mitchell gives instructions to her kindergarten students.*



Marissa Joseph  
Jason Kabage  
Dustin Lansdown  
Donnie Letner  
Emily Matlock



Jason McGinnis  
Ashley Miller  
Kimberly Moody  
Tara Moody  
Tom Moody  
Brooke Newton  
Lori Oxley



Billy Pasley  
T.J. Pasley  
Max Patterson  
Trisha Perry  
Jerry Philpott  
Melissa Porter  
Leanne Prock



Angela Ragsdale  
Kristin Rogers  
Deneane Sickels  
Katie Smith  
Stephen Stepro  
Mirissa Stillwell  
Carrie Thurman



Jennifer Top  
Angela Turley  
Robert Van Orden  
Donnie Washburn  
Brian Welker  
Michelle Williams  
Rachelle Williams  
Not shown: Stephen Cantrell,  
Scott Macke, Christopher  
Riggs.

## Kindergarten kids learn the ropes

One of the biggest events in a child's life is starting to school, and Mansfield kindergarten students have found out just what school is all about.

Most of them like school.

"I like school," Carrie Thurman said, "because I have so many friends to play with here."

Recess always ranks high up the list of fun things about school.

"I like to go outside and play cars," Joey Allen said.

The best thing about recess to Donnie Detherage is the slide.

"I like lying down on my stomach and sliding down," he said.

"I like recess because you get to

go outside and swing," Chuck Campbell said.

Some students like to stay inside and play during recess.

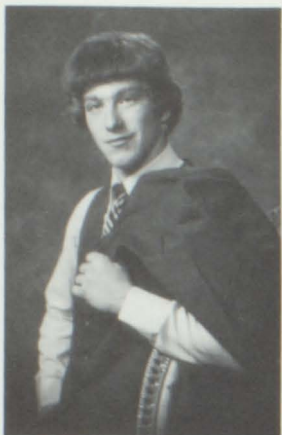
"Playing toy house is the best thing about recess," Faye Dollarhide said.

Along with recess, the kindergarten students manage to find the time to learn the alphabet and do simple mathematics.

"I like learning things the best," Tara Moody said.

Kristi Rogers liked working in the reading books the best, while T.J. Pasley leans toward math books as a favorite.





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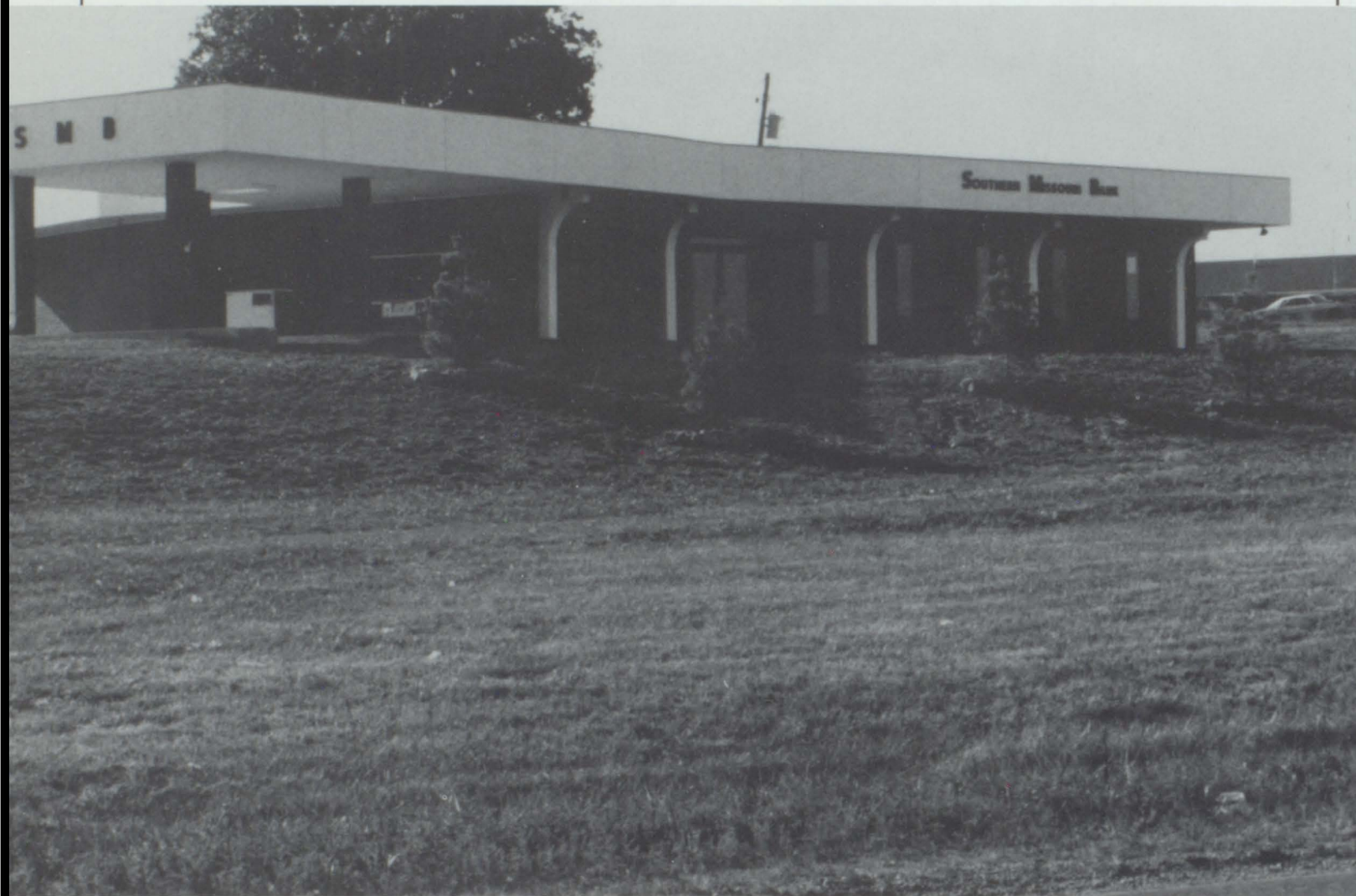


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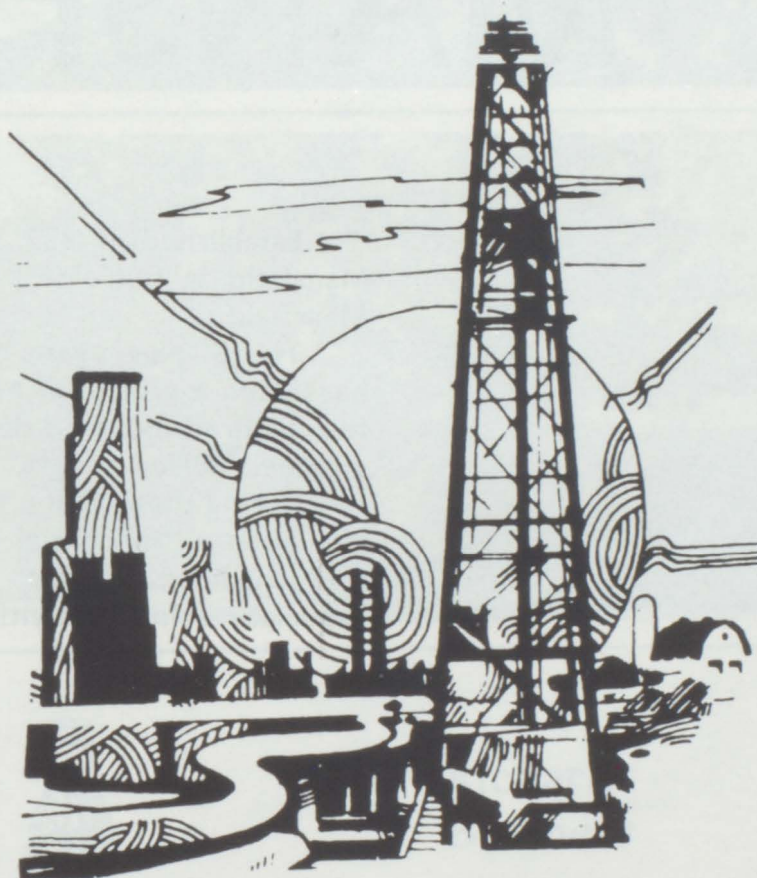
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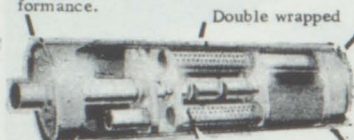
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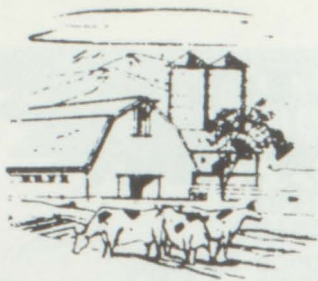
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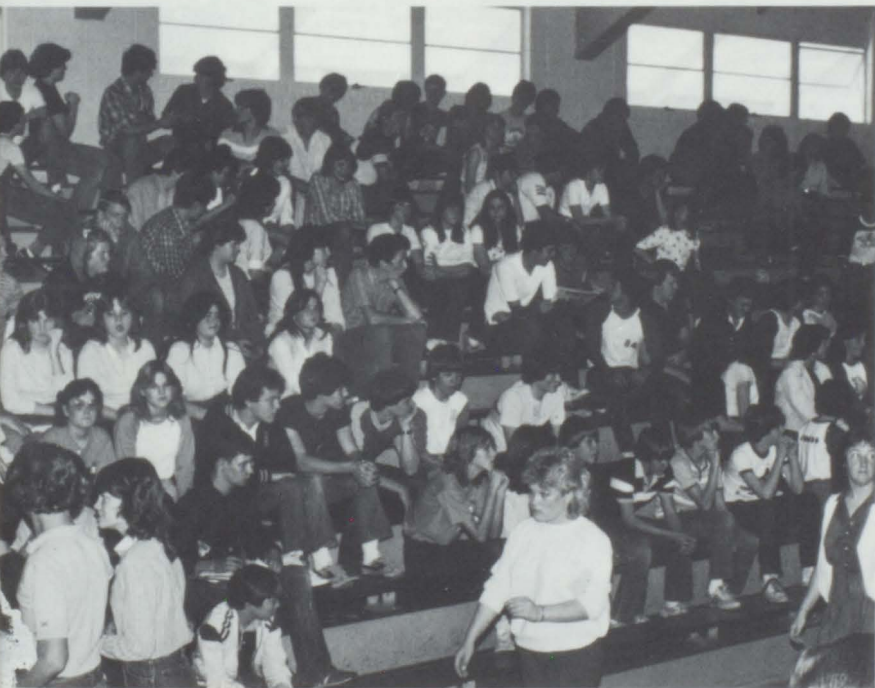
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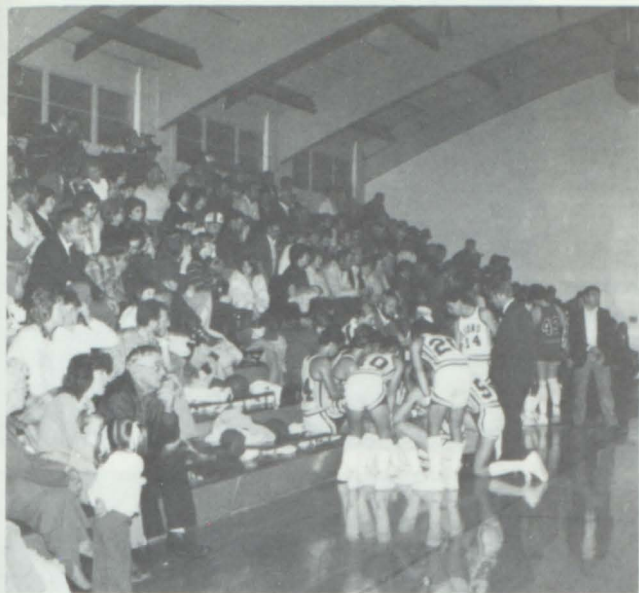
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## Changing with the times has only just begun

In many ways, the 1983 school year was a special one.

The first half of the school year coincided with the end of Mansfield's centennial year. Being one hundred years old was cause for plenty of celebration, including parades, programs, and a centennial book featuring the town history.

As the town's birthday illustrated graphically how time passes with heed to no one, it also helped show just how much things have changed.

Over the years, school buildings have burned, and the locations have changed, but there still is a Mansfield High School.

Hopefully, this book shows how MHS is changing. Changing with the times.

Boys' sports all enjoyed successful seasons. Girls' sports did not, but the wheels for

change have been set in motion.

In the areas of science and journalism, Mansfield is making a name for itself at area and state levels. The science department has undergone a steady build-up over the last few years, and the journalism department, only around for five years, is running strong.

On the more personal side of the school year, there was also change. New friendships were made, and new memories were filed away for future enjoyment.

And with the end of the school year came one of the biggest changes. A whole class was thrust out into the world beyond high school.

Although this was a year of change, it has only just begun.

But then it never really stops or starts. It is just always there. Change.



