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●●● SIMPLY THE BEST . . . PEOPLE! Senior honor graduates represent the tops in academics. Kneeling, Gary Greene, Lane Adamson, John Ragsdale, Ron Felker; back, Jim Freeman, Audra Suits, Scott Dunsmuir, Tracy Light, Gina Box, Deidra Barnett, Jeff Long. Not Shown, Bryon Ivy.

●●● SIMPLY THE BEST . . . ORGANIZATIONS! ESP members Serena Dunsmuir, middle, and Tracy Light give Niki Anderson an anti-drug sticker, one of many prevention efforts the group conducted throughout the year.



●●● SIMPLY THE BEST . . . SPORTS! Varsity basketball starters Christi Evans, Karrie Durham, and Stacey Arnall greet Audra Suits, and wait for Shelly Detherage to be announced. The girls were the first 20-win girls team in school history.



●●● SIMPLY THE BEST ... STUDENT LIFE! Benjie Dennis, "bloodied and burned" in a mock explosion, waits for "treatment" at the Mercy Hospital emergency room. Dennis was part of a disaster drill that set up authentic-looking injuries.



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Best is a powerful word, but it fits the 1990 school year like a custom-made glove, even if it is a cliché.

After several years which featured average sports records, seemingly disinterested clubs, and several tragic deaths, 1990 was, without question, better than all the rest.

Every sports team at MHS had a season worth bragging about, several clubs did tremendous service projects for both the school and community, and the students and faculty were, for the most part, happy and healthy.

It was simply the best year.

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Can't live without 'em

Just call them the Big Five, because teens can't survive without them.

Include shiny cars, loud music, gooey pizza, weekend dates, handy telephones, and the list of simply the best items is complete.

For the ones lucky enough to have cars to call their own, keeping them sparkling is often more urgent than class assignments. And the constant car companion — blasting, blaring music — can also turn

into a portable pleasure, compliments of a Walkman.

Pizza — meatlovers, extra cheese, or plain old pepperoni — wins hands down as the food of choice, while Alexander Graham Bell's invention provides a lifeline to the world — as long as it's not long distance.

And where would teenagers be without dating? Well, they would be home, which definitely didn't make the Big Five. At least not on Saturday night.

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THE DATING GAME. While Carrie Gray putts for par, her boyfriend Kendall Keith and fellow daters Tish Goss and Ryan Miller give advice at The Batter's Box.

MAKE MINE PEPPERONI. Gina Box takes her share of a pepperoni pizza at a yearbook staff party.



TURN UP THE RADIO. Getting the headphones adjusted just right, Laura Rose listens to AC/DC on her Walkman.



STILL CRUISIN' AFTER ALL THESE YEARS. Billy Stofer helps Matt Moody clean his bright red classic 60's Mustang.



NEVER A WRONG NUMBER. Rachelle Lansdown talks to a friend, and puts in her daily quota of many minutes on the telephone.

Holy pep rally, Batman!

Looks hopeless. The same old boring pep rally is about to start.

Vroom! Slam! Kwa-voomp! Skrash! Thunk! Boom!

Fortunately for MHS students, they are rescued in the nick of time. Batman and Robin arrive in the Batmobile.

Boys' basketball coaches Jerry Armstrong and Doug Jones drew cheers from the crowd at the first pep rally. Decked out in colorful Batman and Robin costumes, they provided a pep rally to re-

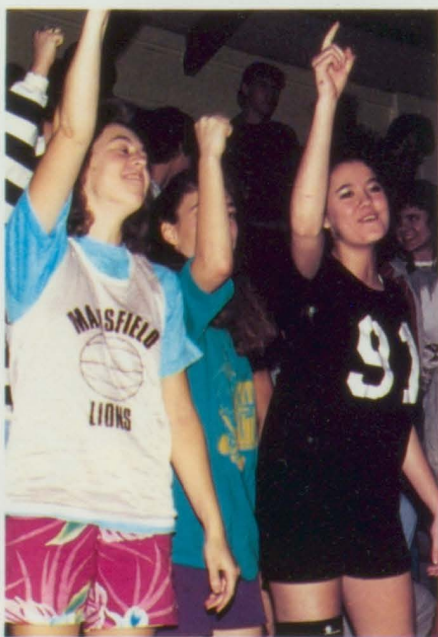
member.

There were other super moments too, which made simply the best pep rallies ever.

Watching basketball players Jim Freeman, Matt Calhoun, Gary Greene, and Marty Henry serenade Coach Armstrong with "You've Lost

That Lovin' Feeling" was great, and so was watching the girls' basketball team skit "Another One Bites the Dust," dedicated to rivals Gainesville, Hartville, Fordland, and Conway.

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WE'RE NUMBER ONE. Juniors Tiffany Watterson, Christi Evans, and Shelly Detherage show their class spirit at a pep rally.

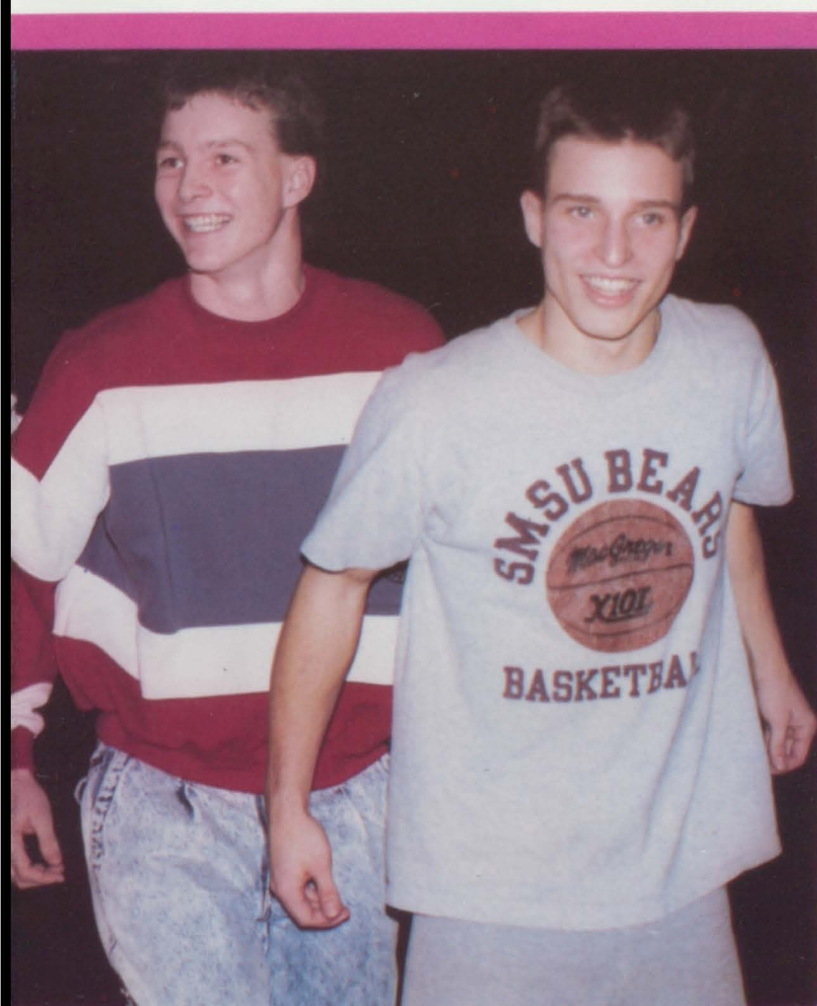
LOUD AND CLEAR. Stretched out and comfortable, Don Hanger performs with pep band at the Homecoming pep rally.





STOP THE PRESSES. Pom pon girls Tracy Light and Stacey Arnall perform to the song "Satisfied."

SUPER HEROES TO THE RESCUE. Arriving at the pep rally in the Batmobile are coaches Jerry Armstrong and Doug Jones, alias Batman and Robin.



GO, BOY WONDER. Batman (Coach Jerry Armstrong) takes a break while Robin (Coach Doug Jones) introduces the basketball players.



PERFECT HARMONY. Basketball players Kris Gray, James Barnett, Barry Short, and Marc Brazeal croon "Goodnight, Sweetheart" at the Homecoming pep rally.

JOKERS ARE WILD. Closely resembling Munchkins, pom pon girls LeeAnn Cannon, Serena Dunsmuir, Shelby Hesterly, and Tracy Light try a routine, with a little help from some friends.

The new look of the 90's

Vests and college sweat-shirts. Anything with Batman on it. Denim washed by acid, stones, or sand, or mutilated with scissors.

Flat-tops for guys and spritzed hair for girls.

Simply the best styles for the 90's took many directions.

When school started in August, it was hard to find a classroom that didn't have two or three or more students clad in Batman tee-shirts. And if you were really

an addict, you could also wear shorts, shoes, socks, and caps printed with the superhero's image.

As the weather got cooler, college sweatshirts became standard. Yale and Harvard were popular choices, but Missouri probably had the biggest following.

Jumpers with dropped waists were popular with the girls, as were brocade vests.

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COLLEGE FEVER. College sweatshirts were one of the biggest fashion statements. Everyone picked their favorite, like Amy Compton, Jon Freeman, Scott Smith, Gina Box, Heather Krider, and Scott Dunsמיד.

THE CUTTING EDGE. Benjie Dennis and Glen Evans sport the latest hair styles for boys - short, flat tops, and longer backs, curly or straight.





BATMANIA LIVES. Batman shirts like these worn by Taylor Hamilton and Jeremy Jones were practically required attire when school started in August.



ALWAYS A WINNER. Warm, colorful sweaters are always in style for winter, like the one worn by Christi Evans.

BACK IN THE NEWS. Jumpers made a big comeback, whether in denim like Kristin Calhoun's, or in lighter fabrics like the ones worn by Patricia Millsap and Angela Lansdown.



VESTED INTERESTS. Lori Durham and Lane Adamson show off the latest in dress clothes for teens — vests and loose-fitting slacks.

ALPHABET SOUP. Letterjackets, like the ones worn by Karrie Durham and Marty Henry, are perennial fashion favorites for MHS students.



●●● Pumping up the boys' basketball team to revenge an earlier loss to Ava is the goal of pom pon squad members Missy Melton, Marny Clark, Shelby Hesterly, and Tish Goss.

●●● Senior basketball players Marty Henry, Jim Freeman, Matt Calhoun, and Gary Greene croon "You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling" to Coach Jerry Armstrong at the Homecoming pep rally.



●●● Crepe paper streamer decorations at ESP's back to school dance become head gear for Bill Douglas.

Simply irresistible

Who could possibly resist all the events that spice up a school year? The best memories can come from activities as varied as cheering for the slam-dunk successes during basketball warmups to dancing the night away at Prom. Throw in getting yourself made up with fake blood for a disaster drill or taking part in the traditional Homecoming ceremony or even acting crazy in a skit at a pep rally, and you have the ingredients for a year that has been simply irresistible.

●●● Munching on a bag of popcorn gets Matt Brown through half time of a home boys' basketball game, with energy to spare.



●●● Queen Deana Kelley and senior attendants Karrie Durham and Jayme DeChenne reign at Homecoming festivities.

STUDENT LIFE

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NO MORE SCHOOLROOMS, NO MORE BOOKS

What do you want to do? I don't know, what do you want to do?

Those all too familiar phrases from childhood often crop up during the teen years.

Many guys enjoy a relaxing day of hunting or fishing.

"I like to bow hunt in my free time," said sophomore Aaron Proffitt. "It gives me time to think and just get away from everything."

Movies are big, always.

"Every Sunday night I watch a movie after 10:30, and I probably rent about five a week," senior Gary Greene said. "When I'm in Springfield I usually stop by the theater and see a new flick."

Keeping business brisk at area gas stations because of hours of cruising is another way of passing the time.

"I cruise a lot so I can scope out the men," said junior Rachelle Lansdown. "It gives me a chance to talk to friends and see who is in town that night."

Others cruise in neighboring towns to find a date.

"I usually end up going to Ava or Mtn. Grove so I can pick up a hot date," said senior Tim Logan. "Sometimes it's boring but it usually keeps me out of trouble."

Nintendo is a big favorite

among many students.

"I sit around and play Nintendo with my friends," said freshman Jon Freeman. "It gives me a chance to thrash everyone."

A few can even claim perfection on certain games.

"I play Nintendo constantly," said sophomore Frank Jones. "I enjoy beating everyone since I've mastered most of the games."

Skateboarding has several devotees at MHS.

"I love to skateboard, so if it's a good day that's what I'll be doing," said freshman Taylor Hamilton. "On the bad days I'll watch a movie on television."

For most girls, the call of the mall can't be resisted.

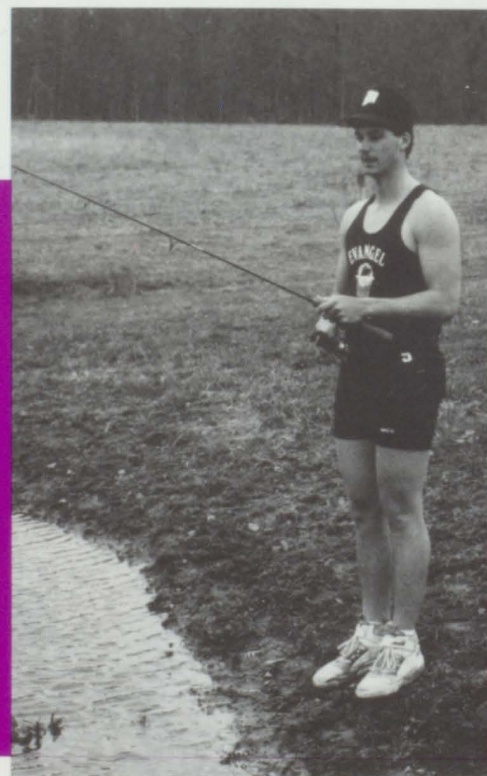
"I love to shop," senior Audra Suits said. "It's a fun way to blow money, and you have something to show for it."

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FACING A LONG bus ride to an away basketball game means a visit to Jack's Restaurant for girls' team members Jennifer Greene, Tracy Coffman, Stacey Wilson, and Brandy Wright.

ATTRACTED BY SALE signs, Kim Mills checks out the merchandise during a shopping trip to Battlefield Mall in Springfield.



EVERY CHANCE HE gets, Ron Felker grabs a fishing pole and puts in some time at the pond.



■ **REFLECTED IN A** three-way mirror, LeeAnn Cannon and Deana Kelley size up a possible prom dress while shopping at Battlefield Mall in Springfield.

■ **SKATEBOARDING IS THE** sport of choice for Bill Douglas, who practices on a ramp at the tennis courts.



■ **CLINT BERRY AND** Frank Jones match up in a game of Nintendo on a Saturday afternoon.

■ **NARROWING HIS SELECTION** down, Kevin Jones picks out a movie to rent from The Grocery Store.

■ **FRESHMEN TAWNA WATTERSON** and Ray Coombs take a curb-side seat to watch the Mansfield Christmas parade.

■ **MARCHING IN FREEZING** temperatures, Vicky Noble, Jeff Long, and Steven Garrison pass through the parade route.



■ **POM PON MEMBERS** LeeAnn Cannon and Marny Clark march to stay warm despite the cold winds at the Christmas parade.



■ **GUSTING WINDS** MAKE the routine complicated as flag girls Brandy Wright, Stacey Wilson, and Stacey Arnall turn the flags.

BEST TIMES:

WE'RE JUST WATCHING THE PARADE GO BY

Jingle bells (shiver, shake), jingle bells (shiver, shake), jingle all the way.

Freezing winds chilled the town's annual Christmas parade and added extra motions to those who took part, and to the ones who watched.

Both the high school and junior high bands participated, including the flag girls, who wore green or red sweatshirts and Santa Claus hats instead of their regular uniforms. Most found the frigid gusting wind quite a problem to try to deal with.

"It was hard to twirl my flag and keep my Santa hat on," said Shelby Hesterly, sophomore. "The wind was so cold, and it was blowing from every direction."

The pom pon girls also marched in the freezing cold tem-

peratures.

"It was really cold and we couldn't hear because it was so windy. Tracy Light would start a ripple and we wouldn't hear her," said Missy Melton, junior. "We were all numb. It wasn't one of our best marches."

The cold also made playing instruments difficult, if not impossible.

"I nearly froze my hands off," said Tim Logan, senior trumpet player. "It was hard to play because it was so cold my mouth piece froze up."

Student Council members constructed and rode on a float during the parade. Keeping a float together through an entire parade may be difficult during the best conditions, but became nearly impossible on that super windy day.

"We had a Christmas tree on

our float," said Audra Suits, senior. "We had to tape the ornaments to the tree so they wouldn't blow away."

A new feature this year was a live nativity scene on the square. Several students participated, portraying Biblical characters. Frozen was the best way to describe their experience.

"It was cold," said Aaron Proffitt, sophomore. "The wind kept blowing up my shepherd's outfit!"

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■ **COLD BRASS AND** cold wind make the Mansfield Christmas parade less than comfortable for Tim Logan, above.

■ **STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS** Amy Compton, Christi Evans, and Shelly Detherage throw candy from their Christmas float.

■ **MHS PRINCIPAL FRANK** Rowles, his wife Kim, and boys Adam and Daniel wait in freezing temperatures for the parade.



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OUT THERE JUST WORKING FOR A LIVING

Money doesn't grow on trees ... this real-to-life saying has deep meaning to high school students.

There is only one answer to the question why students seek part-time jobs.

They need the money!

"I need money," said senior Gina Box, who works as a checker at Town and Country Supermarket. "I hate borrowing it from

my parents!"

There are dozens of things a teen has to have, ranging from clothes to tapes, from pizza to cars, from concert tickets to gasoline.

Many teens have part-time jobs to take some of the financial drain off their parents, but teens involved in lots of school activities find their job time limited.

"I was making all kinds of dough this summer," said IGA Supersaver employee Marc Brazeal, a junior. "But my wages were cut in half when school and sports started."

Junior Kris Gray, who is employed at Fudgies, a fast food place, had a similar problem.

"I have to tell my boss when I have games the week before, and he schedules around them," Gary said. "It causes me to lose some money."

"Sweet 16" is an ever-present

reason why students have to hold down jobs.

"My parents made me get a job so I could buy my insurance and the gas for my car," said junior Rachelle Lansdown, who works as a checker at Town and Country Supermarket.

Car expenses are often the biggest drain on teen finances.

"After I pay for my insurance and gas, I'm usually broke," said senior Jay McNeil, who works at Fudgies.

Having to get up early or stay up late at night makes the job more demanding for students.

"I go to work right after school and stay until midnight," said senior Eric Honeycutt, who is employed at Tobin Hamilton Shoe Factory. "It wasn't bad at first, but the longer I work there the worse it gets."

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■ **BABYSITTER HEATHER LANS-DOWN** uses a little friendly persuasion to get Alex Miller down for an afternoon nap.

■ **BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS**, Lance Adamson feeds the cows prior to milking them.



■ **BACK IN THE** kitchen at Jack's Restaurant, Audra Suits grills hamburgers and ham sandwiches.



■ **MAKING ICE CREAM** cones is one of Vickie Franks' duties when she works the counter at Jack's Restaurant.



■ **SHELLY CLANTON HELPS** a Town and Country Supermarket customer check out.



■ **STOCKING SHELVES IS** one of Darren Campie's jobs when he works at Town and Country Supermarket.



■ **CHECKING OUT THE** spark plugs, George Crisp works at Doug Crisp Motors after school is over.

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BLOODY FACES GIVE REAL LOOK TO DRILL

A fiery explosion in the chemistry lab rocks the school, severely injuring the students closest to the blast.

This was the pretend situation as 15 students participated in a semi-annual disaster drill to test the preparedness and skills of Mercy Hospital.

The drill began shortly after 1 p.m. when the high school office called Mercy Hospital to say there had been an explosion in the science room.

An ambulance was immediately dispatched to the scene.

"It seemed real because the ambulance people were walking around and trying to decide who needed to ride in the ambulance," said Heather Krider, senior.

Members of the school publications class had been dramatically made up with theatrical make-up and fake blood to simulate injuries ranging from facial cuts to burns to loss of a limb.

Senior Gary Greene, made up as a burn victim whose arm had been blown off in the explosion, was one of the most severely "injured".

Senior Audra Suits, who sustained a severe head injury, and junior Christi Evans, who was paralyzed below the neck, were also considered critical by the paramedics and, along with Greene, were transported to Mercy Hospital in the ambulance. Less severely injured stu-

dents were transported to the hospital by school bus.

At the emergency room, 23 professionals were waiting, including nurses, lab technicians and doctors.

"They seemed really serious," said Deana Kelley, senior. "The doctors were giving orders and calling for supplies. Everyone was hurrying, but seemed to be doing a thorough job."

Within an hour and a half, all of the 15 students were treated at Mansfield or "transported" to Springfield.

According to Lecia Short, Mercy Hospital's drill coordinator, it was a success.

"We used high school kids so we would have enough people for the drill without interfering with work time," Short said. "Also, I think high school students are better actors than some adults would be."

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■ **PARAMEDIC CHERYL FLOYD** straps Christi Evans to a back board, while Benjie Dennis, Gary Greene, and Kris Gray wait for help during the disaster drill.

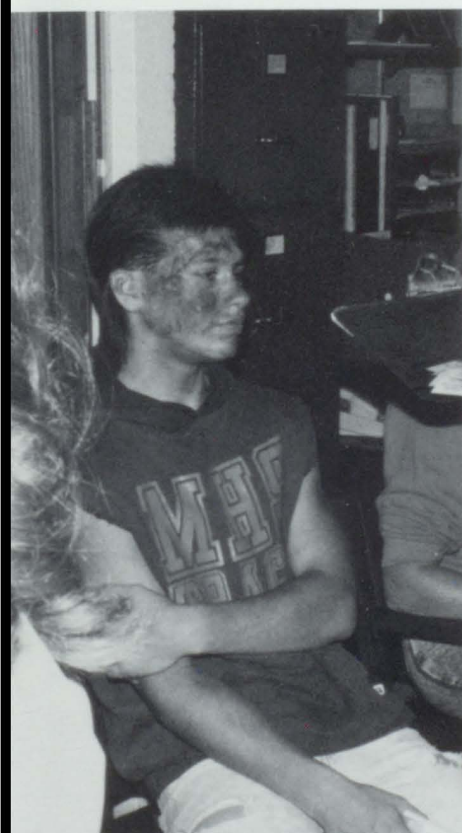
■ **POSSIBLE EYE INJURIES** to Gina Box are inspected by Dr. Nancy Hayes at Mercy Hospital.



■ **AFTER LATEX MAKE-UP** and fake blood have created a "stump" for Gary Greene, drill chairman Lecia Short gives him a shirt burned to simulate a real injury.



■ **BRIGHT RED "BLOOD"** and latex have combined to give Tracy Light and Deidra Barnett realistic injuries for Mercy Hospital's disaster drill. Light also swished Karo syrup and red food coloring in her mouth to simulate injuries to her mouth and lips.



■ **CLUTCHING HIS SEVERED** right arm, explosion victim Gary Greene is helped from the ambulance by paramedic Shareen Skyles, top, RN Jenny Loooper, and housekeeping staff member Bob Cooper.



■ **MAKE-UP TO SIMULATE** burn injuries is applied to Timmarie Hamilton's arm by Suzanne Miller, Mercy Hospital director of nursing.

■ **BASIC INFORMATION IS** taken from burn victim Glen Evans at Mercy Hospital by Jane Leonard, medical transcriptionist.



YEARBOOK ROYALTY
TRACY COFFMAN
BRIAN WILLIAMS

BEST TIMES:

REIGNING AS YEARBOOK ROYALTY

Sophomores Tracy Coffman and Brian Williams won the El Leon royalty titles.

Four couples were elected to represent the high school classes, and after professional por-

traits were sent to the KY-3 television news team in Springfield, Coffman and Williams were chosen to reign as 1990 El Leon King and Queen.

The judges were Tony Beason and Lisa Eisenhart, KY-3

news personalities.

Judging was based on photogenic qualities, smiles, compatibility of the couple and naturalness. Royalty winners were also judged as a couple rather than individually.



TOP, FRESHMEN CANDIDATES Becky Bryson and Taylor Hamilton; above, junior candidates James Smith and Jill Clouse.

TOP, SOPHOMORE CANDIDATES Tracy Coffman and Brian Williams; above, senior candidates Heather Krider and David Wilson.

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SPLASHY CARNIVAL FISHES FOR FUN

Hugs, hugs, and no hugs is what could be said about the Junior Class hugging booth at the tenth annual Community Teachers Association Carnival.

The juniors expected their hugging booth to be a sure thing for their class fundraiser. However, to the surprise of the juniors who worked at the booth, they spent more time watching other classes make money than they did hugging.

"You would think most people would want to wrap their arms

around a good-looking guy or, a gorgeous girl that they have had their eye on for a long time, but I guess not," said junior Glen Evans, who worked at the booth.

Lee Ann Cannon also helped at the booth.

"The hugging booth was a cute idea, but it was embarrassing having to hug people I didn't even know," she said.

Paul Clark said the idea fizzled.

"It was sort of a waste of time because not very many people had the nerve to come up to the booth and pay for a hug," he said.

Other booths at the carnival included mini golf, a goldfish game, Nintendo, face painting, bob for apples, bingo, and cake walk.

The highlight of the activity was the crowning of the carnival

royalty. The winners of the kindergarten through third grade were second graders Dustin Co-day and Christina Bradley. Grades four through sixth winners were fifth graders Jason Davis and Aimee Williams. Seventh grade through eighth winners were eighth graders Adam Brooke and Jennifer Shropshire, and ninth through twelfth winners were sophomores Josh Fetter and Katrina Rogers.

Other candidates were kindergarten, Brian Carampatan, Sara Edmonds; second grade, Dustin Clark, Stephanie Strunk; third grade, Travis Furr, Tracy Oberbeck; fourth grade, Chris Flageolle, Shannon Reese; seventh grade, Shannon Cantrell, Jamon Gray; freshmen, Evan Kinser, Wava Engle; juniors, Holly Lakey, Scott Cantrell; seniors Karrie Durham, Robert Elliott.

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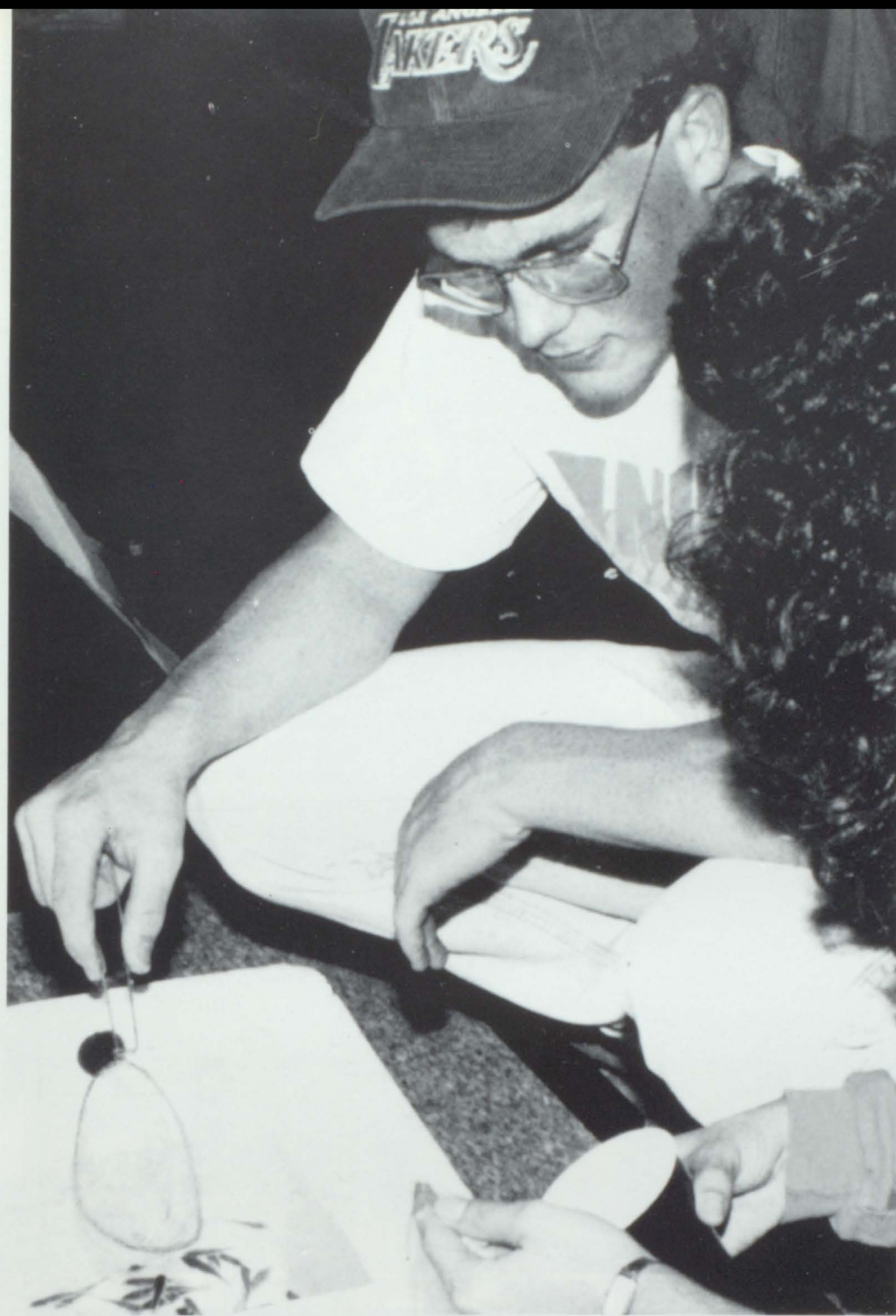
■ **AT THE CHEERLEADING** booth, Angela Lansdown paints a bright blue heart on the face of Liz Roth.



■ **DON HANGER SETS** up a Nintendo game for Ricky Ramsey and Jeromy Archer at the sophomore booth.



■ **DECKED OUT IN** a rainbow colored wig, ESP member James Barnett is at the carnival to promote a drug free school.



■ **SELECTING A LIVELY** goldfish, FBLA member Paul Clark and adviser Mary Boydston get ready to award the prize to a grade school child.

■ **STEFANIE BLEDSOE FISHES** for a prize at the CTA Carnival, while Frances Gittings checks her progress.



■ **HUGS ARE FOR** sale at the junior booth, and Jesse Evans cashes in on a hug from LeeAnn Cannon.

■ **CARNIVAL ROYALTY IS** front, Christina Bradley and Dustin Coday, Jason Davis and Aimee Williams; back, Adam Brooke and Jennifer Shropshire, Katrina Rogers and Josh Fetter.



■ **SOPHOMORES MISSY CARTER** and James Barnett get their daily dose of Vitamin C by sharing a grapefruit during their class's Barnwarming game.

■ **BALLOONS IN HAND** for their turns, freshmen Stacey Arnall and Scott Hall watch classmate Carrie Gray pop a balloon by sitting on it.



■ **MARTY HENRY, KARRIE** Durham, Jayme DeChenne, John Top, and David Wilson take a food break at Barnwarming.

■ **MIDDLE LEFT, SENIOR** Lane Adamson shows freshmen Ryan Miller, Carrie Gray, and Scott Hall what they will do in the freshman relay.



BEST TIMES:

PLEASE PASS THE FRUIT, BUT CAREFULLY

Strange ingredients like spoons, balloons, toothpicks and bananas combined to give Barnwarming a unique flavor.

Students were divided up by classes to play games, and the freshmen got to blow up balloons and then sit on them to pop them.

"It was totally embarrassing," freshman Carrie Gray said. "The balloon popped under the ruffle of my skirt and blew it up."

Sophomores got to relay a grapefruit down a line without using hands, the juniors had spoons to send jellybeans to the next person, and the seniors used toothpicks to transfer Lifesavers to a friend's mouth. However, the craziest game was one that backfired.

The Barnwarming royalty candidates were given the spot-

light.

"They had us stand in front of everyone and eat a banana and drink Sprite as fast as we could so our mouths would foam," said senior Deana Kelley. "Everyone just stared at us waiting for something to happen, but nothing did."

Seniors Scott Dunsmuir and Kelley were selected royalty winners by the penny-a-vote system.

Other candidates were juniors Matt Moody and Rachelle Lansdown, sophomores Brian Williams and Anjeanette Kjar, and freshmen Scott Smith and Becky Bryson.

Barnwarming was also a tradition breaker. For the first time, Blackjack, a deejay group, did the music instead of the students. Although this required an admission price, attendance at

Barnwarming reached an ultimate high, over 130 people.

"It was the best one we've had in several years," said FHA adviser Kathy Barnett, whose group, along with FFA, sponsors the fall event.

According to freshman Jared Jones, the dance floor was the hot spot of the night.

"I think everyone had fun because they were all on the dance floor having a good time," he said. "The music was great and there was a lot of excitement."

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■ **TIFFANY WATTERSON AND Christi Evans** are all concentration as they trade jellybeans with spoons during the junior game.

■ **THINKING STEADY, JEFF Long** waits for Lance Adamson to send a red Lifesaver his way for the senior relay at Barnwarming.

■ **BARNWARMING ROYALTY IS**, clockwise from top, freshmen Scott Smith and Becky Bryson, juniors Matt Moody and Rachelle Lansdown, Barnwarming King Scott Dunsmuir and Queen Deana Kelley, sophomores Anjeanette Kjar and Brian Williams.

BEST TIMES

HOMECOMING COURT SURVIVES 'ATTACK'

Before the Lions attacked the Bulldogs on the court at Homecoming, about two dozen kids attacked the decorations on the stage.

Student Council members had spent all day decorating the stage with hundreds of blue balloons to create a special area for the Queen and her court, just to have their creation torn down minutes after the crowning by over-eager grade school students seeking

souvenirs.

This destruction was upsetting to the stomachs of the decorating crew.

"It made me kind of mad when the kids started tearing everything down while the Queen was still on stage," said Amy Compton. "We had spent the whole day blowing up a thousand balloons."

The grabbing for balloons and streamers started during a picture session immediately after the crowning of Homecoming Queen Deana Kelley.

"It was funny," Kelley said. "The photographers were trying to take pictures of us with the kids running around grabbing balloons on stage."

If nothing else, the commotion behind them kept the Homecoming court smiling.

"We all started laughing when some of the faculty ran up on stage to get the kids down," said

senior attendant Karrie Durham.

"Coming Home" was the appropriately named theme for Homecoming. Kelley was escorted by Jim Freeman, and crowned by 1989 Queen Faira Watterson, escorted by Gary Greene.

Durham was escorted by Marty Henry, and senior attendant Jayme DeChenne was escorted by Matt Calhoun.

Homecoming princesses were freshman Jeri Moody, escorted by Kris Gray; sophomore Anjeanette Kjar, escorted by Marc Brazeal; junior LeeAnn Cannon, escorted by Benjie Dennis.

Flower girl and crown bearer were second graders Kristina Shropshire and Austin Miller.

In the junior varsity game the Lions posted a 48-36 win over Gainesville, and the varsity Lions won 59-42.

Blackjack was in charge of the dance after the game.

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■ **HOMECOMING QUEEN DEANA** Kelley shows her elation as Jim Freeman escorts her to her throne. They are followed by freshman princess Jeri Moody and escort Kris Gray.



■ **SENIOR DEANA KELLEY** reigns as the 1990 Homecoming Queen.



■ **MHS SWEETHEARTS SERENA** Dunsmuir, Stacey Arnall and Tracy Light perform a pom pon pass during their Homecoming routine.

■ **CENTER KRIS GRAY** rises high to score over Gainesville in the Homecoming game, which the Lions won 59-42.

■ **TOP, HOMECOMING COURT INCLUDES** senior attendant Karrie Durham, freshman princess Jeri Moody, flower girl Christina Shropshire, Queen Deana Kelley, sophomore princess Anjeanette Kjar, crown bearer Austin Miller, junior princess LeeAnn Cannon, and senior attendant Jayme DeChenne.



LITTLE MISS MANSFIELD
AMBER DAVIS

MISS MANSFIELD
DEANA KELLEY

JUNIOR MISS MANSFIELD
STACEY ARNALL

YOUNG MISS MANSFIELD
JENNIFER DUNN

BEST TIMES:

SMILES, POISE WIN JUDGES' VOTES

Deana Kelley, a senior, was chosen from a field of 10 contestants to reign for a year as Miss Mansfield.

Winners in the other divisions were Junior Miss Mansfield Stacey Arnall, a freshman; Young Miss Mansfield Jennifer Dunn, a fourth grader; and Little Miss Mansfield Amber Davis, a third grader.

There were 28 Little Miss

Mansfield contestants, 20 entries in Young Miss Mansfield, and 13 contestants in Junior Miss Mansfield.

Out-of-town judges looked for smiles, poise, posture, an attractive appearance, and a pleasant attitude.

Future Homemakers of America sponsors the pageant each year as a fund raising activity.

Each of the four divisions was composed of three grades. Little

Miss Mansfield was open to grades one, two, and three; Young Miss Mansfield to grades four, five, and six; Junior Miss Mansfield to grades seven, eight, and nine; and Miss Mansfield to grades ten, eleven, and twelve.

Musical entertainment was by Christi Evans, Kris Gray, Angela Kingery, Deidra Barnett, Matt Moody, Heather Lansdown, and Diane Hurd.



■ **TRACY LIGHT, FIRST** runner up; Deana Kelly, Miss Mansfield; Gina Box, second runner up; Missy Carter, third runner up; top.

■ **REGINA ROY, FIRST** runner up; Jennifer Dunn, Young Miss Mansfield; Kim Moody, second runner up; Allison Arnall, third runner up; above.

■ **CARRIE GRAY, FIRST** runner up; Stacey Arnall, Junior Miss Mansfield; Sunny Watterson, second runner up; Angela Lansdown, third runner up; top.

■ **ERICA SPYRES, FIRST** runner up, Amber Davis, Little Miss Mansfield; Sumer Welch, second runner up; Rachel Hull, third runner up; above.

BEST TIMES

DANCING THE NIGHT AWAY AT PROM

Top hats and a city skyline greeted students and guests as they stepped from everyday life into the glittery world of the traditional Junior-Senior Prom.

The theme, "Forever," gave a positive connotation to a word often used negatively, as in "That test took forever!" A record number of people, 186, attended Prom, which was held at University Plaza Convention Center in Springfield.

"Prom was really great this year," said Lori Durham, senior class president. "The decorations of black and white top hats and silver ribbon looked good, and we all had lots of fun dancing the night away."

The evening began with a welcome from junior class president, Angie Miller, who was pleased with the efforts of her class.

"I thought Prom went really well this year," Miller said. "It took a lot of planning, and putting together skyscrapers was hard work, but everyone looked like they were having a great time."

After a buffet meal and a short program came the crowning of the 1990 prom royalty, chosen by a secret ballot vote of the Junior Class.

Seniors Karrie Durham and

Marty Henry were chosen as Prom Queen and King.

Then came dancing, dancing, dancing! Black Jack provided the music, a mix of fast-paced fun and slow sentimental melodies.

"Black Jack always does a good job," said Deidra Barnett, senior. "They kept things moving."

Moving a little more slowly was the line for pictures as Dave Moore of World Photography busily snapped poses of couples and groups.

"I wanted to get a group picture with all of my close friends," said Timmarie Hamilton, senior. "Prom was probably the last time we all got to do something together and I wanted to remember it forever."

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■ SENIORS KARRIE DURHAM and Marty Henry reign as Prom King and Queen.



■ CAMERA IN HAND, Brent Coffman dances to the music of Blackjack.



■ BENJIE DENNIS AND Serena Dunsmuir take a break from the dance floor for a while.



■ **ON THE CROWDED DANCE** floor, Jim Farmer and his date move to the rhythm of a slow song.

■ **NOISEMAKERS WERE PART** of Prom necessities for Timmarie Hamilton and her senior friends.



■ **TUXEDO JACKETS LONG** discarded, male Prom-goers dance minus girls as well.

■ **JOE LONG, LESLIE Long, Stacey Wilson, and Kevin Hall** line up for Prom pictures.



■ **QUEEN OF HEARTS**, joins senior sponsor Roger Wood for a song at the dinner theater in St. Louis.

■ **GARY GREENE TRIES** out a new hairdo as he takes part in a play at the dinner theater.



■ **A LONG BUS** ride home from St. Louis can be made more comfortable, according to Shane Potts and Gary Greene. Tony Elliott and Tim Logan are closer to the front.



■ **KIM MILLS AND** David Wilson look over the results of a shopping trip to St. Louis Centre.

BEST TIMES!

LIVING THE HIGH LIFE ON THE TRIP

St. Louis bound! That was the intent of half of the Senior Class as they loaded luggage, radios and pillows aboard the bus to begin the annual senior trip.

The three-day trip turned out to have no dull moments as the seniors were kept busy the entire time. First came a visit to the zoo.

Timmarie Hamilton found the tour quite interesting since studying animals is included in her career plans.

"I'm really glad we went to the zoo," Hamilton said. "It sort of sounded like a kindergarten field trip, but it turned out to be really great!"

Most seniors like shopping wherever the mall may be, and St. Louis proved to be no exception. One afternoon was

spent buying souvenirs and looking for bargains.

"I bought shirts for my sisters," said Kim Mills, "and of course some new clothes for myself, too!"

A sudden cold snap kept seniors wondering what to wear, and made them shiver as they watched the St. Louis Cardinals play an evening game. The weather didn't dampen the spirits of the crowd though as they cheered the Cardinals to victory.

"I've been to lots of games," said Matt Calhoun, "but we usually sit in the seats rather than the bleachers. Now I've found out the bleachers are a lot more fun."

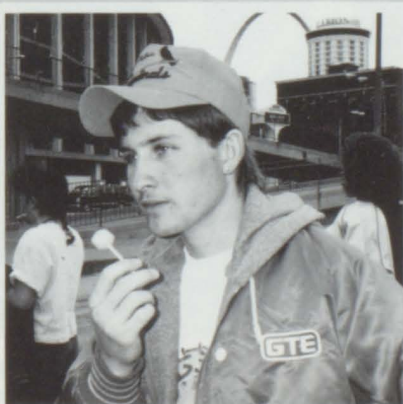
Attending a dinner theater was a special part of the trip. Seniors enjoyed the fancy meal and atmosphere, and laughed as sponsors Terry Spyres and

Roger Wood were required to become a part of the cast of the play production.

In between activities, the seniors found plenty to do at the hotel. Video games, hot tub, and a swimming pool provided a place to spend a few spare moments and a lot of laughs.

"I got thrown into the swimming pool the first day," said Deana Kelley, "then I couldn't wear my tennis shoes for the rest of the trip because they were soaked."

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■ READY FOR A Cardinal game are front, Scott Storms, Tony Elliott, Jimmy Shropshire, Lane Adamson, Susan Jones, Tim Logan; back, Shelly Clanton, Andria Turner, Shane Potts, Timmarie Hamilton, Deana Kelley, Lori Durham, Heather Krider.

■ WITH THE ARCH in the background, Shane Potts waits for the group to walk to Busch Stadium.

■ FAR LEFT, HEATHER Krider and David Wilson dance at a dinner theater.

BEST TIMES

GRADUATING WITH THE CLASS OF '90

In a gymnasium packed with parents, other relatives, and friends, white and maroon-gowned graduates participated in ceremonies frequently punctuated by camera flashes and satisfied smiles.

"I'll miss my friends, but it is a relief that our senior year is over," said class president Lori Durham. "It's time for us all to begin our own lives and get started being adults."

The 1990 graduating class of

54 seniors was featured at two ceremonies. Baccalaureate services were on Sunday, May 13 and Commencement was held the following Monday.

Rev. Larry Proffitt of the First Baptist Church delivered the message during Baccalaureate. Other ministers who took part were Rev. Jonathon Cooney, Rev. Calvin Freeman, and Rev. Harold Dennis.

The senior chorus sang "Don't say Goodbye" and a congregational song was also part of the service.

Commencement began with David Wilson giving the invocation, and Durham welcomed everyone. John Ragsdale, Valedictorian, and Gina Box, Salutatorian, gave speeches.

Other honor students were Deidra Barnett, Jim Freeman, Jeff Long, Audra Suits, Gary

Greene, Scott Dunsmuir, Tracy Light, Lane Adamson, and Ron Felker.

Recognition of honor students was conducted by Senior Class sponsors Eric Spyres and Roger Wood, followed by recognition of scholarship winners by Principal Frank Rowles.

There were five songs during commencement, including solos by David Wilson, Andria Turner, and Darrel Cornelius. The senior chorus sang "Don't Say Goodbye" and "Lean on Me."

The presentation of diplomas was done by Superintendent Robert Perry. Suits closed the ceremony with the benediction.

Durham was president of the Class of '90. Other officers were Barnett, vice president; Deana Kelley, secretary; and Kim Mills, treasurer.

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■ **THE GRADUATES LISTEN** to the speech given by Valedictorian John Ragsdale.

■ **JENNA MCNEIL IS** escorted to graduation ceremonies by classmate Lance Adamson.

■ **VALEDICTORIAN JOHN RAGSDALE** presents his speech to the assembled crowd of family and friends.





■ **OUTFITTED IN SHADES** and caps, the senior chorus puts all they've got into performing "Lean on Me."



■ **SHELLY CLANTON, ANDRIA** Turner, and Susan Jones pose for a friend and her camera before graduation.



■ **LANE ADAMSON RECEIVES** his honor cord from class sponsor Eric Spyres.

■ **SALUTATORIAN GINA BOX** walks in the graduation processional with classmate Gary Greene.

■ **MIDDLE, GRADUATES APPLAUD** the speech by Salutatorian Gina Box.

BEST TIMES

GRADUATING WITH ALL YOUR FRIENDS

Being one of the smallest classes in recent years didn't dampen the enthusiasm for the 42 eighth graders who participated in graduation ceremonies.

The class was 20 smaller than last year, but just as excited about leaving junior high and facing a new challenge.

"The thing I will always remember about eighth grade graduation is the honor of going up, receiving my diploma, and

knowing I had graduated," Sunny Watterson said.

The graduates were dressed in tuxedos, suits, and long and short dresses, and proud parents gathered around with cameras and video camcorders.

Shawn Williams gave the invocation, Stephanie Joseph presented the welcome, class president Bobbi Beck made a speech, and Watterson gave the benediction.

Principal Merlin Miller presented the class, and Superintendent Robert Perry presented the diplomas.

An eighth grade chorus sang "Shoulder to Cry On", "One Moment in Time", and "Wind Beneath My Wings."

The kindergarten class of 62 students was presented in a musical graduation ceremony, "It's

a Small World."

The welcome to a large crowd of relatives and friends was given by Ryan Roberts and Laura Furr, and Principal Jean Coday was introduced by Tiffany Coonce, Brooke Hurst, and Jacob Magnin.

Rhythm instruments were played by Amanda Lansdown, Mandy Rhodes, Shawna Williams, Stacey Wright, Shawna Ellison, Megan Harvey, Steven Ward, Michael Hammond, Nathan Cody, Scotty Rousseau, and Greg Washburn.

Dancers were Heather Cooley, Becky Young, Elnora Weber, Dustin Lansdown, Jeffery Brooks, and Melisa Simmons.

The closing for the kindergarten graduation program was presented by Annie Giffin and Kristyn Jones.

"The thing I will always remember about eighth grade graduation is the honor of going up, receiving my diploma, and knowing I had graduated."

■ **KINDERGARTEN GRADUATES DO** actions while they sing "If Your're Happy and You Know It."



■ **PRINCIPAL JEAN CODAY** presents a kindergarten graduation diploma to Jacob Magnin.

■ **EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATES** join together as a chorus to sing "One Moment in Time."



■ **DEBBIE COOK** IS escorted to eighth grade graduation ceremonies by Brad Collins.

■ **SHAWNA WILLIAMS AND J.C. Clinton** march in together at kindergarten graduation.

Mini MAG

OCKS AND GRADES? GIVE 'EM AN 'A'!

Dumb and jock are two words many people automatically assume go together.

Athletes and honor roll students are two totally different categories, these same people think, but at MHS, the two groups were one and the same.

Twenty-five of 30 high school basketball players made the honor roll the first quarter, including all 12 girls out for basketball.

In addition, 13 of the athletes were on the straight A honor roll. Seven of the straight A honor roll athletes were girls, which means over half of the team placed as high academi-

cally as possible.

"This was an atypical group of girls," said coach Butch Burch. "Every girl on the team was on an honor roll, they were active in a lot of different clubs and organizations, and when they played they were very competitive in practice and in games."

The stereotype of athletes in society today is "jocks are dumb" and this is unjustified, according to athletic director and boys' basketball coach Jerry Armstrong.

"I think it's an absolutely false statement that jocks are dumb," he said. "Like anything else, some people perform better at some things than others. Athletes aren't dropouts and aren't normally in trouble at school or with the law."

How big of an accomplishment is getting good grades while playing sports?

"In my opinion, getting good grades while playing sports isn't that big of a deal," said junior Christi Evans. "I've always played sports and my grades have never been affected."

Stacey Arnall, a freshman, agreed.

"I've been making good grades since elementary and sports hasn't changed that," she said. "You have to come home and do your homework anyway, so practice doesn't really affect it."

Others see playing sports as a big detriment to their studies.

"I think playing sports bothers my grades, because if I have a test on the day after a game, I'm tired when I get home and don't want to study," said sophomore Jennifer Greene.

Benjie Dennis, a junior also found it sometimes difficult to "make the grades."

"No matter how tired you are after a game or if you don't feel well, you always have to apply yourself and get your work

done to keep your grades up," he said.

Sophomore Don Hanger's theory of keeping his grades up is the old-fashioned way.

"You've got to use all your spare time studying and doing homework," he said, "or you'll fall behind."

Simply the NINE FOR 1990 S • O • N • G • S

1. "When I See You Smile"
2. "I Wanna Be Rich"
3. "Black Velvet"
4. "Just a Friend"
5. "House of Fire"
6. "You Can't Touch This"
7. "Escapade"
8. "18 and Life"
9. "Dr. Feelgood"

MHS VOTES



GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM members, wearing their new personalized shooting shirts, shout "let's go" before the start of the varsity game at Seymour.

Shooting shirts add style

A new touch of class was added to the varsity boys' and girls' basketball uniforms.

Shooting shirts were purchased for both teams with the help of many drivers in town. For \$5 of gasoline purchased at the Mansfield MiniMart, the business contributed money toward the cost of the shirts.

Senior Jim Freeman said he liked the classy look of the shirts, which both teams wore during pregame warmups and player introduction.

"I think the shirts gave our team a nice touch," Freeman said, "and it added a little class to our uniforms."

**SPEED
LIMIT
15**

**SPEED
BUMP
AHEAD**

S ign up!

Ka-thump, ka-thump became an everyday sound heard by motorists around the school's campus.

Two sets of ever-present speed bumps were installed on two of the roads leading to the school.

The Mansfield City Council voted to place the speed bumps in the area to reduce the chance of accidents.

Senior Lane Anderson thought the bumps were a bad idea.

"I don't like them because I don't think they will slow you down," Adamson said. "If you are going to speed, you're going to speed."

But not all students thought the speed bumps were wrong. Tiffany Watterson, a junior, was one of them.

"The speed bumps keep people from running stop signs," she said, "and keeps them aware of things going on around them."

A rose is a rose . . .

Hugs and kisses were shared and memories were made as 21 seniors and their parents were honored at the annual rose ceremony.

Held at the last home basketball game of the year, the rose ceremony was a time for seniors in sports or sports-related activities to receive recognition.

It was also a time for the seniors to show their appreciation toward their parents by presenting them with a rose.

"The rose ceremony was a meaning-

ful part of my senior year," said David Wilson. "By the expressions on parents', students', and faculty members' faces, everyone seemed very touched. It meant a lot to me."

Roses for the occasion were purchased by the Pep Club. The varsity cheerleaders and junior pom pon girls handed them out between the boys' junior varsity and varsity basketball games.



DURING THE SENIOR rose ceremony, Audra Suits, honored for four years of basketball, volleyball, and softball, presents parents Linda and Lewis Suits with a rose.

NATIONALLY K • N • O • W • N

FHA'er elected to coveted post

Making decisions, having lots of official duties, and going to California was what Future Homemaker of America National Committee Member Deidra Barnett has been doing since her election.

Barnett was elected National Committee Member in June by designated voting delegates at the state FHA conference meeting.

"I went through screening before state conference, where the judges narrowed the candidates to three from thirteen," she said. "Then I gave a speech in front of 1,500 FHA/HERO members and teachers, and the designated voting delegates elected me."

After being selected, Barnett attended a public speaking camp, and the national meeting in Anaheim, California. In Anaheim she took training sessions for National Committee Members.

"I went through meetings and all kinds of training sessions while in Anaheim I was

privileged to receive the membership award for Missouri," she said.

Barnett also found time for some fun while in California.

"It was really a fun trip," she said. "We got to tour Universal Studios and Hard Rock Cafe, went to Disneyland, Rodeo Drive, Beverly Hills, the Farmer's Fair, Huntington Beach, Knott's Berry Farm, and a lot of L.A. sites," she said.

FHA adviser Kathy Barnett, her mother, also made the trip.

Once Barnett was back in Missouri, she attended Vocational Association Week in Springfield to do a workshop.

Barnett's main duty was being the liaison between the national and state level of FHA. She was in charge of the new membership program called "Champions" for the state of Missouri.



FHA NATIONAL COMMITTEE member Deidra Barnett participates in a flag ceremony at the group's national meeting held at Anaheim, California during the summer.

Simply the BEST NINE FOR 1990 L • E • I • S • U • R • E

1. Watching movies
2. Going cruising
3. Playing team sports
4. Listening to the radio
5. Going on dates
6. Going fishing
7. Going shopping
8. Watching television
9. Playing Nintendo

MHS VOTES

A Gentleman and a scholar

BEST

NINE FOR 1990

M • U • S • I • C • I • A • N • S

1. Paula Abdul
2. Motley Crue
3. Whitesnake
4. Bobby Brown
5. Skid Row
6. Randy Travis
7. Janet Jackson
8. Alice Cooper
9. Aerosmith

MHS VOTES

Kerrick Lindsey was one of 335 gifted high school sophomores selected by state education officials to attend the 1990 Missouri Scholars Academy, a three week program held in June at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

The primary goal of the academy, now in its sixth year, is to provide gifted students with an intensive, challenging learning experience that cannot be matched in a regular high school.

"I'm really looking forward to the computer classes I'll be attending four hours every day," Lindsey said. "I'll be taking other courses, but the computer area is what interests me most."

The Scholars Academy is directed by the State Board of Education and the Department of Elementary and

Secondary Education. The university hosts the program and provides classroom facilities, housing and other resources. Students spend three weeks on campus.

"Expanding my computer skills will be great," Lindsey said. "After I graduate from college I want to get a job writing software programs for computer companies."

Academically, students chosen for the Scholars



Academy represent the top one-half of one percent of the state's sophomore class. This year's scholars include 170 girls and 165 boys from 184 public and 36 private high schools across the state.

Each public and private high school in Missouri is eligible to nominate at least one student for the academy. This year, a total of 518 students were nominated.

Participants are selected on the basis of grades; test scores; evidence of leadership, initiative and creativity; and essays about why they want to attend the Scholars Academy.

The academy's faculty is made up of about 25 outstanding teachers from high schools and higher education institutions in the state.

Recent MHS grad injured during Panama invasion

Big news already, the United States' invasion of Panama became even bigger news locally when a recent MHS graduate was one of the injured soldiers.

Craig Carter, a 1987 graduate, suffered a facial injury and was back in Mansfield for several days on convalescence leave.

Carter was in Panama, shot, and out of Panama before his parents, Bob and Devonne Carter, knew he was involved in the invasion.

"We just happened to see the late night bulletin on television and we suspected he was there," Devonne Carter said. "But we didn't know for sure."

Carter telephoned his parents from Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas to tell them he had been hurt.

"I was scared to death," Devonne Carter said, "but I was thankful it wasn't worse."

Carter, an Army ranger para-trooper, was shot above his right eye shortly after jumping out of an airplane flying at an altitude of only 450 feet. Luckily, the bullet only grazed Carter's forehead. Still, several hours of plastic surgery were necessary to fix the wound.

Carter's ranger battalion landed at the Rio Hato Airfield base in Panama, and their mission was to secure the airfield so the United States

could use it as a landing field.

Carter said that the whole situation was frightening, but necessary.

"Everything about the mission was scary as hell," he said. "It didn't really hit me until I jumped. The whole time we were sitting on the bird I kept waiting for them to say it was some bogus alert."

The threat of the invasion was something that Carter said he knew about for a long time.

"We knew for a while that something was going on," he said. "It kind of stunk the way they did it, because they didn't tell us anything. It was all top secret hush-hush stuff."

Carter said all his Army training was useful, but nothing could be quite like the real thing.

"All the training we had is good, I mean really good," Carter said, "but nothing can actually prepare you for fighting in a sort of war like we were in. Of course, you're scared, but it's a different kind of scared. It's like something I've never encountered before."

The decision to invade Panama was a good move, according to Carter.

"This was something that had to be done," he said. "Noriega is a madman; he's crazy. Just a couple of days before we went in he took this soldier and was kicking him in the groin and threatening to rape his wife and then he killed the Marine lieutenant down there. It was

just something that had to be done."

There are no regrets about the invasion on Carter's part.

"If I had to I would go back in a second," he said.

Carter said the whole experience is something he will never forget, and he also learned a lot about character and about his friends.

"I really thought some of my

friends would spaz out when we got down there, but they stayed pretty tough," Carter said. "You know it's really too bad that we had to spill American blood over there because of that guy. Still, it is better done now before Noriega killed more innocent people and sold that many more drugs."



HOSPITALIZED AT LACKLAND Air Force base in San Antonio, Craig Carter receives the Purple Heart medal for injuries he received in the invasion of Panama.



MARTY HENRY SLAM dunks the ball during varsity warmups.

D-D-D-Dunk!

Dipsei-do, dunkaroo! Slam, bam, jam baby!

These immortal words of ESPN sportscaster Dick Vitale describe well the festivities before ballgames during basketball season. Pre-game warmups turned into a slamfest for those who could dunk as soon as referees exited the court.

Between the jayvee and varsity games, these warmup exercises often brought more applause and fan support than the game did.

"The guys dunking in warm-ups was a good way to get us pumped up," senior Jim Freeman said. "It really got the crowd into the game."

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reezing day, 'Silent Night'

The donkey didn't seem to mind, but several MHS students found being in a live Nativity scene was a cold way to spend a winter afternoon.

Following the Mansfield Christmas parade, the local Ministerial Alliance coordinated a live Nativity using members from various churches as the Biblical characters.

Some of the characters were adults, but freshmen Carrie Gray and Kendall Keith were Mary and Joseph, and sophomores Aaron Proffitt and James Barnett and senior Lane Adamson were the shepherds.

JOSEPH AND MARY, portrayed by Kendall Keith and Carrie Gray, take part in a live Nativity scene on the town's park pavilion, while band members play Christmas carols.



BEST

Simply the

NINE FOR 1990

M.O.V.I.E.S

1. Major League
2. Roadhouse
3. Look Who's Talking
4. Turner and Hooch
5. Lethal Weapon II
6. Pet Sematary
7. Field of Dreams
8. Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade
9. Batman

MHS VOTES

Top students honored with letters

Letters for academic excellence were presented at a banquet held in early May in the Multi-Purpose room.

Academic letters were awarded to the following students.

Seniors Lane Adamson, Deidra Barnett, Gina Box, Scott Dunsmuir, Ron Felker, Jim Freeman, Becky Fry, Susan Jones, Deana Kelley, Tracy Light, Jeff Long, John Ragsdale, Jimmy Shropshire, Audra Suits, Andria Turner, and David Wilson.

Juniors Marc Brazeal, Kristy Burnett, LeeAnn Cannon, Benjie Dennis, Shelly Detherage, Christi Evans,

Glen Evans, Vickie Franks, Troy Hughes, Waylon Johnson, Rachelle Lansdown, Robby Maxwell, Angie Miller, Brent Napier, and Tiffany Watterson.

Sophomores James Barnett, Tracy Coffman, Steven Garrison, Tish Goss, Jennifer Greene, Don Hanger, Shelby Hesterly, Angela Kingery, Anjeanette Kjar, Kerrick Lindsey, Michael Porter, Brian Williams, Stacey Wilson, Brandy Wright.

Freshmen Stacey Arnall, James Axsom, Clint Berry, Becky Bryson, Amy Compton, Jon Freeman, Carrie Gray, Sophia Greyowl, Scott

Hall, Jared Jones, Evan Kinser, Ryan Miller, Vicky Noble, Tawna Watterson.

Provisional letters went to seniors Shelly Clanton, Karrie Durham, Gary Greene, Timmarie Hamilton; juniors Eddie Doan, Kris Gray, Julie Jurewicz, Holly Lakey, Carla Swopes; sophomore Heather Lansdown; and freshman Wave Engle.

The banquet also included awards in the various academic areas, and an initiation ceremony for new National Honor Society members.

Sweet spirit suits senior

"Sing your praise to the Lord."

That phrase from a popular gospel song is also what senior David Wilson does with the youth choir group "Sweet Spirit."

The 50 members of the Springfield-based group perform about 20 songs during each concert. The concerts are held in churches, theaters, and schools for audiences up to 1500 people.

The members' personalities and backgrounds differ, and that makes working in the group interesting to Wilson. To become a member of Sweet Spirit, tryouts are held in the spring.

A feeling of Christianity is generated throughout the group, Wilson said.

"Everyone is great," he said. "When I first started out they always made me feel welcome. Everyone is different and has a different singing style and they are all really good. That is what makes the group fun to be with."

Wilson said being in Sweet Spirit has helped him in his individual singing.

"When you sing with people that are good," Wilson said, "you have no choice but to improve yourself."



A BLACK TUXEDO with red accents is the costume David Wilson wears for performances with Sweet Spirit, a gospel music youth choir.

Simply the BEST NINE FOR 1990 F.O.O.D.S

1. Pizza
2. Cashew Chicken
3. French Fries
4. Hamburgers
5. Tacos
6. Shrimp
7. Ice Cream
8. Steak
9. Doritos

MHS VOTES

Juniors ditch 'headache'

For at least the last 15 years the Junior Class has had to sell hundreds of boxes of candy bars to raise money for Prom.

But the current juniors were relieved.

They spell their relief T-O-M's. Thanks to the new Tom's snack machine located in the high school lobby, juniors only had to sell a small amount of extra candy.

The machine holds 30 items ranging from Bugles to Gummi Bears. An average day of sales was about 60-70 items, with the top day being over 120 items.

Some of last year's juniors were not too happy with their bad luck in being the last group to struggle with candy bar sales.

"I think it stinks!" Gary Greene said. "All the juniors before this year had to go through the trouble of selling them and now juniors have something as easy as a candy machine."

At least one understanding senior approves of the change.

"I think it's great that they have something different for a fundraiser," David Wilson said, "because

it was such a pain in the butt having to sell candy bars all year."

There was a general consensus of approval among juniors.

"It is a lot easier. We don't have to do any work," Matt Moody said. "We've got it made!"



JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS Vickie Franks and Angie Miller fill the snack machine.

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oters approve tax increase for pool

The summer of 1990 won't be as hot as the past two years for Mansfield children and teens.

Although there was a low voter turnout (135 for and 47 against), the town approved a one-half cent city sales tax increase to pay for the rebuilding of the municipal swimming pool, which has been closed the past two summers.

Because only a simple, majority was required, the measure passed. The tax increase will probably generate about \$45,000 per year to help pay for the cost of the pool's construction, which is estimated to run between \$275,000 and \$300,000.

"I'm glad the pool is back. It's great," said freshman Jeremy Jones. "I miss the girls, I get to swim again, and finally a new tan."

The pool was closed in 1987 because of cracks in the pool walls and several leaks in water pipes.

Feelings among students about the duration of the problem ran high.

"It stinks! It gets really hot in the summer and I want somewhere to go to cool off besides some dirty creek," sophomore Angela Kingery said.

After extensive investigation, it was determined that repairing the pool would cost nearly as much as building a new one.

"We had it drawn up two ways," Mayor Erman Dennis said, "and there was only \$40,000 difference between rebuilding the existing pool and building a new pool."

Dennis said the decision to go for a sales tax to finance the pool was made "so that everyone who uses the facility will help pay for it, not just city residents."

The half-cent increase would make the city sales tax 1½ cents, and the total sales tax would increase from 5.6 cents to 6.1 cents.

"The new pool will be built in a Z shape with the diving board facing east and the main pool running north and south," Dennis said. "The wading pool will be located south of the concession stand. We will utilize the existing bath house and pump house."

A lack of summertime activities has resulted in two "boring" summers for local teens.

"There isn't anything to do in the summer if you don't have a swimming pool," said Jennifer Greene, sophomore, "except sit at home and rot."

SURROUNDED BY
AN abundance of weeds instead of water, Mike Bogart, Kristin Calhoun, and Jill Clouse inspect the old swimming pool site.



Cupid strikes again

Cupid was out in full force on Valentine's Day.

Bright red and pink flowers, balloons, candy, and stuffed animals filled the school office. Even the boys got in on the fun.

"My girlfriend sent me flowers, balloons, and a stuffed animal," said Marty Henry. "I was really surprised,"

MARTY HENRY DISPLAYS
flowers and balloons his Valentine sent him.



Simply the NINE FOR 1990

C • E • L • E • B • R • I • T • E • S

1. Bart Simpson
2. Eddie Murphy
3. Tom Cruise
4. Arnold Schwarzenegger
5. Johnny Depp
6. Arsenio Hall
7. Kim Basinger
8. Jack Nicholson
9. Sylvester Stallone

MHS VOTES

Flag girls give band a new look

Trumpets, flutes and drums all add up to band equipment. But flags?

The marching band had a new look, featuring ten flag girls, a synchronized drill team.

Lisa Myers, band director and initiator of

the group, said flag girls are something every band should have.

"The flag girls add color and excitement to the band," Myers said. "Most bands have them and I've wanted to get a group of flag girls to-

gether for Mansfield for a long time."

Although it may look difficult, to some girls their experiences in similar areas make being a flag girl easier.

"To me it is a lot like cheerleading," said sophomore Stacey Wilson. "You have to go to practices, learn the movements and work hard."

Practices were held Monday, Wednesday, and Friday night at 5 p.m. and the girls also rehearse with the band first hour.

"I don't mind the practices because we wanted to be good," said sophomore Shelby Hesterly. "Even though it was fun, it was work and you had to be serious about it."

For this first year the girls volunteered to be flag girls.

"I volunteered because I thought it would be fun going places and marching with the band," sophomore Serena Dunsmuir said.

Other flag girls were sophomores Mary Ann Gatlin, Heather Lansdown, and Brandy Wright; and freshmen Stacey Arnall and Angela Lansdown.

MAROON, WHITE, AND gold flags are put through a routine in the Wilder Days parade by flag girls Stacey Arnall, Heather Lansdown, Shelby Hesterly, Stacey Wilson, and Serina Dunsmuir.



BEST Simply the NINE FOR 1990 S • A • Y • I • N • G • S

1. Yah, right
2. You wish
3. Excuse me
4. Get real
5. Y'all
6. I'm so sure
7. He ain't all there
8. Yo
9. Scrub

MHS VOTES

Me and my skateboard

Ollies, tweeks, air walk, and roadrash.

Those words won't often find their way in to the vocabularies of most people, but if there was a skateboarder's dictionary they would be sure to be included.

There are at least five serious skaters in town, and while many people would not consider skateboarding as a sport, sophomore enthusiast Bill Douglas has a different opinion.

"I think it is a sport," Douglas said. "We have to have as much balance and skill as any other sport would require."

Douglas says being a skater makes him and his friends belong to a different culture than most people.

"We live in sort of a subculture," he said. "We have our own music, clothes, and magazines."

Mike Huberts, a freshman, said he started skateboarding about two years ago, before he moved to Mansfield.

"I picked up skating from my friends in Springfield, and when some of my relatives in Chicago taught me, he said. "Skating is my main hobby. I practice whenever I get a chance and wherever I get a chance."

Another freshman, Taylor Hamilton, skates for fun, but doesn't always conform to the norm for skaters.

"I would never consider skating a sport," Hamilton said. "To me, skating is just a hobby I really enjoy."

Most of Mansfield skaters have never had a serious injury when skating, usually just what they call "roadrash". But freshman Jeremy Jones had a little more than cuts and scrapes after one fall.

"I was skating up a half-pipe ramp," Jones said. "I thought I was pretty good because I had practiced a lot, but I was trying an inverted hand plant and I fell on my shoulder and broke my collarbone."

To Jones, skating is a sport simply because of the physical skills involved.

"You're always working to get better," he said. "When you start doing ramps, it takes everything out of you."



SKATEBOARD ENTHUSIAST JEREMY Jones does a ramp stunt at the Mansfield tennis courts.

BEST

NINE FOR 1990

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1. The Simpsons
2. America's Funniest Home Videos
3. Baywatch
4. Married With Children
5. 21 Jump Street
6. The Arsenio Hall Show
7. Quantum Leap
8. Young Riders
9. Booker

MHS VOTES

Once shaken, twice shy!

October 17, 1989 is a day that will go down in history. While millions of Americans were settling down to watch the third game of the World Series, a massive earthquake hit California. Experts have named the tragedy Loma Prieta Earthquake. Registering 7.1 on the Richter scale, killing over 3,000, it was the largest earthquake in California since San Francisco's "Big One" in 1906.

This earthquake caused major damage to the northern area of the state. Filled with cars and commuters, a section of the Bay Bridge collapsed, along with shopping malls and huge buildings; hundreds of homes were destroyed.

Due to the location of the World Series in the San Francisco Bay area, it too was affected by the quake. Over 60,000 fans were crowded into Candlestick Park to watch the Oakland A's and the San Francisco Giants play when the stadium started to sway and the lights went dark just 20 minutes before game time.

The fact that many people had left work early to see the Series may have kept the bridges and freeways' collapse from killing more people.

Even though the earthquake was centered thousands of miles away, it still hit a lot of hearts in Mansfield.

"We tried to call my relatives as soon as we heard about it and we couldn't get through for a couple of days because the lines were down," sophomore Shelby Hesterly said.

Junior Billy Stofor's brother Larry lives four blocks from the Bay.

"He called about one a.m. after it happened to say he was okay and his apartment held up," Stofor said. "He just tried to take cover in his apartment when everything started falling off the walls."

Special Olympics teams compete



SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEAM. Front - Stephaney Menzie (adviser), Mark Doan, Tommy Dugger, Janie Linder, Beckie Lynn, Misti Collins, Edna Brazeal, Channon Lemmonds, Georgianne Brown (adviser); Back - David Young, George Crisp, David Brumley, Marlon Doan, Roger Brandenberger, Scott Storms.

Special Olympics students divided their time between bowling and basketball.

During the fall, three teams practiced at Ava Bowl, and then entered a tournament at Springfield. "The Bowlers" team finished

first in a state qualifying event. Team members were Scott Storms, Keith Philpott, Marlon Doan, and Janie Linder.

The basketball team competed in league play and Springfield. Members were George Crisp,

Marlon Doan, Kenny Robinson, David Young, Greg Henry, Sharon Calhoun, and Scott Storms.

Cheerleaders were Janie Linder, Beckie Lynn, Misti Collins, and Dottie Hughes.

REST FOR THE WEARY

With money left in the Senior Class fund after the class graduated, the school usually is the recipient of a gift of a permanent nature. Money from the Class of '89 was used to purchase a metal bench for the high school.



CATHERINE KUHN, LUCY Calhoun, and Dawn Cascone spend the last part of lunch hour relaxing and talking on the new bench in front of the high school.

Senior's speech wins at state

Winning her way through four preliminary contests, senior Deidra Barnett placed third in the state American Legion Oratorical Contest.

For her third place finish in the Jefferson City contest, Barnett received a certificate, a silver medal, a marble paper weight, and a \$600 scholarship to the college of her choice.

There were four finalists in the state contest, narrowed down from 1,154 who started out on the local levels.

Winning in the state contest was a proud moment for Barnett.

"It was exciting at state when they announced the winners," she said. "The American Legion people were as excited as the speakers."

Barnett said the American Legion offers worthwhile projects for teens like herself.

"The Legion is a great organization for youth," she said, "because they offer programs like Girls State and Boys State and so much more."

The local, county, and district contests were held at Mansfield, the zone contest was at Springfield, and the state contest was at Jefferson City.

Social studies teacher Roger Wood was responsible for the local level of the contest. It was Barnett's second year in the competition, which focuses on the United States Constitution for subject material.

THE end



●●● Fighting the giggles, Deidra Barnett and Robert Elliott maneuver a red Life-saver in a game at the FHA/FFA Barn-warming.

●●● After serving home-baked cookies, Language Club members brighten the holidays for Mansfield Nursing Home residents by singing Christmas carols in French and Spanish.



●●● FBLA member Vickie Franks makes a delivery of colorful Valentine's "kisses" to Teliah Jones.

●●● Pep Band's John Ragsdale helps pump up the crowd at a home basketball game with the song "Another One Bites the Dust."



●●● Getting ready to clown around at the CTA Carnival, ESP member James Barnett has his face painted by Angela Lansdown at the cheerleading booth.



Simply valuable

Important lessons can be learned outside of books, and chances to do that were abundant. MHS groups outdid themselves, reaching out to both the school and the community with a variety of projects. There were drug education programs sponsored by ESP, community clean-up efforts by FFA, clothing and toy contributions to needy children by FHA, toilettries and supplies donations by NHS, and gifts and visits to nursing home residents by Language Club. Valuable is a great way to describe both the benefits to the group members involved as well as the people they helped.



ORGANIZATIONS

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ackling trash scores with clubs

People helping people. At MHS that meant students helping others as community service projects sprouted and flourished in several clubs.

ESP (Education Supports Prevention) decided that picking up trash around town was a way it could help make things look neater, as well as protect the environment. Members worked several afternoons after school.

"Picking up trash turned out to be a lot of work," said Jill Clouse, junior. "I had no idea there was so much junk around."

The trash pick up also helped change some attitudes.

"I really think twice now before throwing paper or bottles down just anywhere," said Timmarie Hamilton, senior. "Litter hurts everybody."

FFA sponsored a similar program adopting a two-mile section of Highway 60 for a clean-up project. They are responsible for trash removal at least four times a year (as part of the state's Adopt-A-Highway program).

Student Council's community service project was help-

ing the Red Cross with a bloodmobile at the school.

"We did lots of errands for them," said James Barnett, sophomore. "We also went around to all of the students and faculty and tried to persuade them to donate."

Several students joined the list of donors as they gave blood for the first time.

"I was a little nervous," said Tracy Light, senior, "but it wasn't as bad as I thought it would be."

Christmas usually brings out the desire to help others. Language Club members visited the Mansfield Nursing Home to distribute cookies and sing Christmas carols for the residents.

National Honor Society members organized an effort to bring in personal products to be distributed to local families in need.

"We wanted to help the families as much as we could," said Lori Durham, senior. "We thought we could ease the budget strain a little so they would have more money available to spend on gifts."

TRASHING THE LAST bag, ESP member Timmarie Hamilton finishes a club clean-up project on the city streets.

"SILENT NIGHT" IS sung at the nursing home by Language Club's Holly Lakey, Wava Engle and Serena Dunsmuir.



SWEET TASTES OF Christmas are offered to a nursing home resident by Language Club member Wava Engle.

LANGUAGE CLUB. Front - Vickie Blankenship (adviser), Gina Box (vice president), Deana Kelley (president), Lori Durham (treasurer), Sheri Dimos (adviser); Row two - Evan Kinser, James Barnett, Barry Short, Stacey Arnall, Deidra Barnett, Kim Mills, Heather Lansdown, Serena Dunsmuir, Shelby Heston; Back - Jared Jones, Mike Helsley, Robbie Maxwell, Brent Napier, Vicky Noble, Holly Lakey, Scott Hall, Sophia Greyowl, Clint Berry, Melissa Holt, Wava Engle.

STUDENT COUNCIL. Front - Jim Freeman (treasurer), Christi Evans (secretary), Shelly Detherage (president), Gary Greene (vice president), Frank Rowles (adviser); Back - James Barnett, Amy Compton, Waylon Johnson, Angie Miller, Jennifer Greene, Audra Suits, Lori Durham, Scott Hall.



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY members Gary Greene and Deidra Barnett sort products for needy families at Christmas.



AT THE TYPEWRITER, StuCo member Christi Evans takes donor information from Lance Adamson. Bloodmobile helps Amy Compton and Lori Durham will take over next.



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY. Front - Audra Suits (treasurer), Gina Box (secretary), Deidra Barnett (vice president), Jeff Long (president), Okema Haden (adviser); Row two - Deana Kelley, Shelly Detherage, Angie Miller, Tracy Light, Lori Durham, Vickie Franks, Tiffany Watterson, Kristy Burnett; Back - John Ragsdale, Waylon Johnson, Jim Freeman, Scott Dunsmuir, Ron Felker, Matt Calhoun, Lane Adamson.

LANGUAGE CLUB/STUCO

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rapping up wishes helps area children

Two clubs, FHA and ESP, really knocked themselves out with multiple projects designed to help kids.

Future Homemakers of America club members used Christmas as a time to help those less fortunate. Wright County Family Services chose several families in town and described their needs to the group. FHA'ers could then "adopt" a child to buy toys or clothes for at Christmas.

"It's fun to play Santa for needy families," said FHA president Audra Suits. "It gives the kids a chance to enjoy a happier Christmas."

Others liked sharing the good times they have had.

"There are a lot of kids who don't even have the privilege of enjoying the joys of Christmas," said senior Gary Greene. "It was an honor to participate in 'toys for tots'."

In another project, FHA members conducted a bicycle safety course for kids in kindergarten through grade six.

"It was a real interesting experience to work with such young kids, because they usually don't pay much atten-

tion," said sophomore Barry Short. "We tried to make things interesting so they would remember."

The goal of the FHA'ers who helped was for safety.

"I'm glad we had a chance to help kids learn bicycle safety," said sophomore James Barnett. "Hopefully, this class will save one of their lives in the future."

In addition to sponsoring several drug-awareness speakers for the student body, Education Supports Prevention (ESP) held a two-day peer-helper seminar in which 30 students and adults participated. Topics included drug and alcohol abuse and suicide.

"The sessions helped us understand how we could help others in a time of need," said Natural Helper Chairman Timmarie Hamilton.

The seminar was held in the First Baptist Church, and many of the participants thought they learned to communicate better.

"It helped a lot of kids," said senior David Wilson, "to open up and talk about problems."

"BLIND" KRISTIN CALHOUN is directed by Serena Dunsmuir in a trust exercise at ESP's peer helper seminar.



STICKERS PROMOTING A drug-free life are distributed by ESP clown Timmarie Hamilton during Wilder Day's parade.

ESP (EDUCATION SUPPORTS PREVENTION). Front - Jim Freeman (treasurer), Lori Durham (secretary), Audra Suits (vice president), Timmarie Hamilton (National Helpers Chairman), Dave Wilson, Tiffany Watterson (president), Judy Middleton (adviser); Row two - Tish Goss, Serena Dunsmuir, Stacey Arnall, Amy Compton, Tawna Watterson, Jeremy Jones, Jon Freeman, Marc Brazeal, Deidra Barnett, Stacey Wilson, Jennifer Greene, Angela Kingery; Row three - Lane Adamson, James Axson, Angie Miller, Tracy Light, Vickie Franks, Deana Kelley, Heather Krider, Kristin Calhoun, Heather Lansdown, Shelby Hesterly, Tina Gage, Scott Storms; Row four - Brad Hanger, Vicky Noble, Angela Lansdown, Christy Barber, Sophia Greyowl, Clint Berry, Patricia Millsap, Brandy Wright, Tracy Coffman, Missy Carter, Don Hanger, James Barnett; Row five - Scott Smith, Scott Hall, Susan Jones, Mary Ann Gatlin, Andria Turner, Ray Coombes, Mike Huberts, Aaron Proffitt, Ben Choate, Tim Logan, Robbie Pearson; Back - Kendall Keith, Carrie Gray, Gary Greene, Barry Short.



EDUCATION SUPPORTS PREVENTION



CUTTING THE PAPER carefully, Lane Adamson wraps a gift for FHA's Toys for Tots project at Christmas.

TAWNA WATTERSON AND James Barnett provide biking rules for elementary students in an FHA service project.



FHA MEMBERS LAURA Rose, Debra Bryant, Matt Moody, Brian Williams, and Lane Adamson sort Christmas gifts for needy area children.



FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA. Front - Barry Short (recreational leader), James Barnett (reporter), Gina Box (regional treasurer), Lori Durham (historian), Kim Mills (parliamentarian), Kristy Burnett (first vice president), Audra Suits (president), Jennifer Greene (secretary), Stacey Wilson (second vice president), Missy Carter (devotional leader), Tracy Coffman (treasurer), Heather Lansdown (class officer), Deidra Barnett (national committee member), Kathy Barnett (adviser); Row two - Darrel Cornelius, Gary Greene, Matt Calhoun, Scott Dunsmuir, Tracy Light, Deana Kelley, Heather Krider, Jennifer Greene, Andria Turner, Shelly Clanton, Susan Jones, Lane Adamson; Row three - Dave Wilson, Laura Rose, Kris Gray, Christi Evans, LeeAnn Cannon, Angie Miller, Vickie Franks, Marc Brazeal, Kristin Calhoun, Rachelle Lansdown, Tina Gage, Holly Lakey, Serena Page, Misty Cantrell. Row four - Jon Freeman, Jim Freeman, Missy Melton, Carla Swopes, Melissa Farris, Tish Goss, Serena Dunsmuir, Angela Kingery, Shelby Hesterly, Brandy Wright, MaryAnn Gatlin, Brian Williams, Matt Moody, James Axson; Back - Janie Linder, Beth Gaddis, Bill Douglas, Don Hanger, Shawnya Matney, Terry Robinson, Chris Dunn, Stacy Frantz, Jeri Moody, Michelle Moody, Kendall Keith, Carrie Gray, Anjeanette Kjar, Tawna Watterson, Steven Garrison.

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS

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aking big money fact of club life

"Money doesn't grow on trees."

Being involved in a club or student group can bring this fact to life extremely fast.

Groups need money for service projects, for trips, and for parties. Still, "fund raising" is a term dreaded by most students. It either means working hours in a stand, bugging relatives and friends to buy items from a booklet, or trying to offer people a service.

FHA has been selling Tom-Wat products for the past few years. Club members are given a large "suitcase" full of dozens of items ranging from toys to address books.

"It wasn't one of the most fun things I had ever done," said sophomore Teresa Lowe. "I had to carry that big box around, and I was always bugging people to buy things."

For others, hitting on relatives first made sense.

"All I had to do was take my Tom-Wat box to my grandma's and everybody bought my stuff there," said freshman Carrie Gray.

FBLA got innovative with

its fund raisers. As in the past, they sold message-coded candy canes for Christmas delivery, but they added a Valentine's kisses sale. Construction paper hearts were "kissed" with bright lipstick, and decorated with Hershey's kisses.

"We used a whole tube of lipstick on those Valentine's" said senior Heather Krider. "We were putting it on and kissing the cards as fast as we could."

The most surprising amount of money was made by the publications staff for the yearbook through ad sales.

"It got boring at times," said sales manager Glen Evans, "but we made \$4000 over last year's sales."

When they reached the goal of \$5000 and then of \$6000, the staff members were rewarded with a pizza party and their own personalized yearbook.

"We were pleased with the amount of money we came up with," said senior Jim Freeman. "The hard work paid off in the end."

FHA'ERS CARLA SWOPES and Melissa Farris sort through the Tom-Wat items they will sell for their club.



FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA. Front - Darrel Cornelius, Kevin Hall (chaplain), Deana Kelley (second vice president), Scott Cantrell (vice president), Lane Adamson (president), Tiffany Watterson (secretary), Gene Cravens (adviser); Row two - Tim Logan, Susan Jones, Shelley Clanton, Laura Rose, Carla Swopes, Melissa Farris, Missy Melton, Tawna Watterson, Matt Brown, Shane Potts, Reggie Roy, Everett Merritt; Row three - Clint Buchanan, Scott Smith, Scott Hall, Brad Hanger, Joe McNeil, Malcolm Gaddis, Scott Storms, George Crisp, Michael Bogart; Row four - Doug Coffman, Bob Miller, Carolyn Mills, Christy Barber, Clint Berry, Harvey Wedge, Tommy Kingery, Johnny VanNess, Carl Splain, Lance Adamson, Brent Coffman, Clint Thompson; Back - Becky Bryson, Jamin Corder, Taylor Hamilton, Paul Clark, James Smith.



FUTURE FARMERS

WORKING IN THE senior concession stand keeps Scott Storms, Tim Logan, and Jenifer Wallin busy.



CLEANING THE POPCORN machine is a job FFA member Clint Buchanan performs prior to a ball game.

SORTING VALENTINE'S KISSES for delivery at school is an FBLA fundraising chore for Tiffany Watterson, Audra Suits, and Vickie Franks.



YEARBOOK STAFFERS CELEBRATE a \$6000 milestone in ad sales with a 6-candle cake. Front - Deana Kelley, Troy Hughes, Christi Evans, Gina Box, Timmarie Hamilton, Audra Suits, Heather Krider, Marc Brazeal, Glen Evans, Benjie Dennis; Back - Kris Gray, Deidra Barnett.



FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA. Front - Angie Miller (reporter), Audra Suits (secretary), Deidra Barnett (vice president), LeeAnn Cannon (president), Gina Box (treasurer), Vickie Franks (parliamentarian), Kristy Burnett (parliamentarian), Mary Boydston (adviser); Row two - Deana Kelley, Julie Jurewicz, Shelly Detherage, Waylon Johnson, Tracy Light, Lori Durham, Marc Brazeal, Christi Evans, Tiffany Watterson, Jim Freeman; Back - Mike Porter, Kerrick Lindsey, John Ragsdale, Jeff Long, Lance Adamson, Benjie Dennis, Kristin Calhoun, Rachelle Lansdown, Tina Gage.

FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS



ompetition goal for several clubs

Winning isn't just a sports goal.

Competition and academic clubs are hard to separate. Many hours during the spring are spent concentrating on competition. Science Club, Math Club, Future Business Leaders of America, and Future Farmers of America all spend hours to perfect projects or study for contest exams.

Sometimes, getting ready for the big contest can be a big pain.

Science projects are perfect examples. After weeks of studying a particular experiment, developing a theory and hypothesis, the hard part begins. Students have to complete the dreaded board, which consists of plywood gallons of rubber cement, felt, construction paper, and more typing than most people can handle.

"It took a lot of work the last two days before science fair," said junior Jill Clouse. "It was hard to get all the details down, and get the board covered and labeled."

Junior Julie Jurewicz found

herself with last minute chores that consumed far more than minutes.

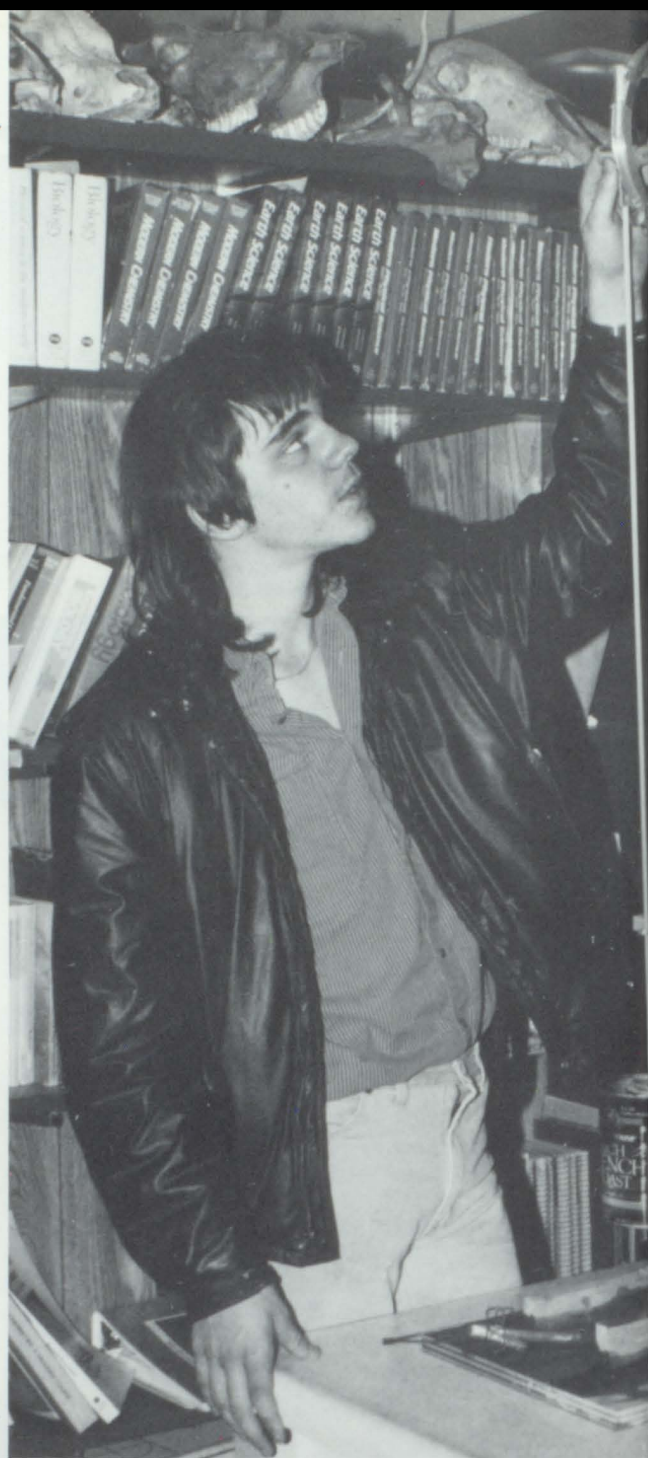
"I had everything done except for my board and I had to rush to get everything on it," she said. "I didn't do my experiment until a week before it was due, and it was kind of hectic getting everything typed up and ready that week."

Junior Troy Hughes, whose project was the overall winner at the conference science fair, said he needed a little help in completing his project.

"The last two days before the fair I had to work hard to complete my board," Hughes said. "I probably wouldn't have gotten it done without my friends helping me."

Forgotten details and dwindling supplies kept Clouse on the run, trying to get the information on her board in time for the fair.

"I had to go to Mtn. Grove the day before science fair to get my vet to sign my papers," Clouse said. "We also had to go to town two or three times because we kept running out of rubber cement."



SCIENCE CLUB. Front - Jeff Long (president), Timmarie Hamilton (vice president), Jenifer Wallin (secretary), Leslie Smith (adviser); Row two - Kristy Burnett, James Barnett, Lori Durham, Gina Box, Heather Lansdown, Serena Dunsmuir, Shelby Hesterly, Stacey Wilson, Brandy Wright, Terry Robinson; Back - Troy Hughes, Waylon Johnson, Shelly Detherage, Angie Miller, Don Hanger, Lane Adamson, Rachelle Lansdown, Missy Carter, Tina Gage.



SCIENCE CLUB

WITH **SCIENCE FAIR** only one day away, Shawn King makes a last minute adjustment to his motorized project.



GLUING CHARTS AND letters down with rubber cement is the final part of Julie Jurewicz's science project.

BENJIE DENNIS HELPS Jennifer Greene get her typewriter set up for the conference business contest at Mansfield.



LEFT, MATH TEACHER Sandy Davis gives Algebra II student Mike Porter some pointers for the conference math contest; above, FFA dairy team members Lane Adamson, Deana Kelley, and Scott Cantrell study for dairy judging contest.



MATH CLUB. Front - Timmarie Hamilton (treasurer), Audra Suits (secretary), Gina Box (vice president), Gary Greene (president), Sandy Davis (adviser); Row two - Kristy Burnett, Jeff Long, Lee Ann Cannon, Tracy Light, Heather Lansdown, Serena Dunsmuir, Benjie Dennis, Shelby Hesterly, Deidra Barnett, Deana Kelley, Missy Carter, Rachelle Lansdown; Row three - Troy Hughes, Glen Evans, Waylon Johnson, Jeff Ladd, Bobby Clanton, Brent Napier, Mike Helsley; Row four - Steven Garrison, James Barnett, Scott Dunsmuir, Tiffany Watterson, Christi Evans, Vickie Franks, Mike Porter, Jennifer Greene, Angela Kingery, Tracy Coffman, John Ragsdale; Back - Barry Short, Jim Freeman, Marc Brazeal, Kerrick Lindsey, Robbie Maxwell.

MATH CLUB

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onsters liven up music concert

They did the Mash! They did the Monster Mash!

It was a flashback to the past as MHS vocal students sang and pantomimed their way through the song that made dancing monsters famous.

Dressed in a white lab coat, Dr. Frankenstein, better known as Matt Moody, a junior, helped Frankenstein (junior Kris Gray), Dracula (senior David Wilson), Igor (senior Darrel Cornelius), and Teen Wolf (freshman Jon Freeman), wow the crowd of over 125 at the fall concert. And the more the audience clapped and cheered, the better the monsters got.

"It was really a lot of fun," Moody said. "It's great to do a number just to enjoy, and when you see the audience reacting, you can really get into it!"

Freeman, with his electric guitar (which was never plugged in!), thought the song provided a fun time in an otherwise serious concert.

"We work on more serious music most of the time," Freeman said. "Monster Mash was something Mr. Spyres

stuck in to break the monotony. It turned out to be the best part of the show!"

On the more serious side, several students entered the district music contest held at SMSU. The choir earned a two rating, as did vocal soloists Wilson, Cornelius; Carrie Gray, freshman; MaryAnn Gatlin, sophomore; and Andria Turner, senior.

Moody brought home a one rating, qualifying him for state competition in Columbia.

"My judge was really supportive," Moody said, "and that helps a lot. He wrote 'nice tenor voice, nice baritone voice, what are you, a whole choir?' on my comments and that made me feel better about singing at state."

Another MHS vocal student shared his talent with the whole country during the summer. Wilson, a member of Sweet Spirits gospel group, went on tour with them after he graduated.

"I really enjoy singing with them," Wilson said. "We practice about 20-25 hours a week in Springfield, but it's worth it when we get to perform."



MUSIC IN HAND, Darrel Cornelius and Matt Moody rehearse with the choir for district music contest.



SOLOIST KRIS GRAY performs "Friends" at the fall choral concert held in the gym.

FRANKENSTEIN AND DRACULA, alias Kris Gray and David Wilson, perform "Monster Mash" at the fall concert.

CHOIR MEMBERS TINA Gage and Kim Mills practice the contest entry the group will sing at districts.



DIRECTOR ERIC SPYRES leads choir members in a light-hearted song at the fall concert. Front, Andria Turner, Debra Bryant, Shalawn Emerick, Mary Ann Gatlin, Missy Melton; back, Tina Gage, Jon Batcheller, Billy Stofer, Shelly Clanton, Laura Rose.



"GO YE NOW in Peace" shows the serious side of choir members as they perform a fall concert.



MIXED CHORUS. Front - Eric Spyres, (director), David Wilson, Mary Ann Gatlin, Shelly Clanton, Andria Turner; Row two - Melissa Farris, Missy Melton, Matt Moody, Tish Goss, Carrie Gray, Kris Gray, Deidra Barnett, Kristin Calhoun, Shalawn Emerick, Dena Munden; Back - Jon Freeman, Carla Swopes, Brian Williams, Darrell Cornelius, Ben Choate, Shane Potts, Laura Rose, Tina Gage, Susan Jones, Josh Fetter.

MIXED CHORUS

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ating plays well with proud band

A step above the rest is an old saying that applies to the MHS band. Almost. A step above the "past" is really the correct phrase.

For years and years, the band has received a three rating at district music contest. However, things change. This year the group performed well enough to earn a two. As junior Matt Moody said, it's been a while.

"It was real exciting," Moody said, "because even as far back as my mom can remember we've gotten three's. It was great to break the tradition."

Steven Garrison, a sophomore, played trumpet for the band's contest performance.

"I was nervous before we played, but when we got started I loosened up," he said. "It was a great honor to get a two after all those years of three's."

Along with the band's two rating, freshmen Evan Kinser and Angela Lansdown both received two's, on trumpet and piano solos, respectively.

"I was so nervous before I went on," Kinser said. "I

hadn't practiced with Mrs. (Vicki) Box on the piano accompaniment any, so I didn't know what would happen. When I got my two rating, I was really excited."

Band members could be proud of other accomplishments during the year. They won first place trophies at Bolivar's Southwest Baptist University's Homecoming parade and in the Hartville Fall Festival parade.

Band director Lisa Myers thought the group, which included several junior high musicians, did well at Bolivar.

"I was very pleased with their overall performance," she said. "They tried as best they could, and that's all I can ask. The junior high did okay for not being used to what goes on in a parade, but I think they were a little scared going to someplace new like that."

In All-District band tryouts, freshman Jason Chilson (bass clarinet) was selected for Honors Band, and senior John Ragsdale (trombone) and freshman Vicky Noble (percussion) were chosen for Concert Band.

SIDE BY SIDE French horns played by Evan Kinser and Shelby Hesterly get a work-out during contest rehearsal.

DRUMMER JOE McNEIL mans the rap drum set during a pep band performance at a home ball game.



CLARINETISTS DEBRA BRYANT and Tina Gage, and trumpeters Matt Moody and Steven Garrison perform at a pep rally.



COOL TEE-SHIRTS REPLACE the usual uniform during the Wilder Days parade.

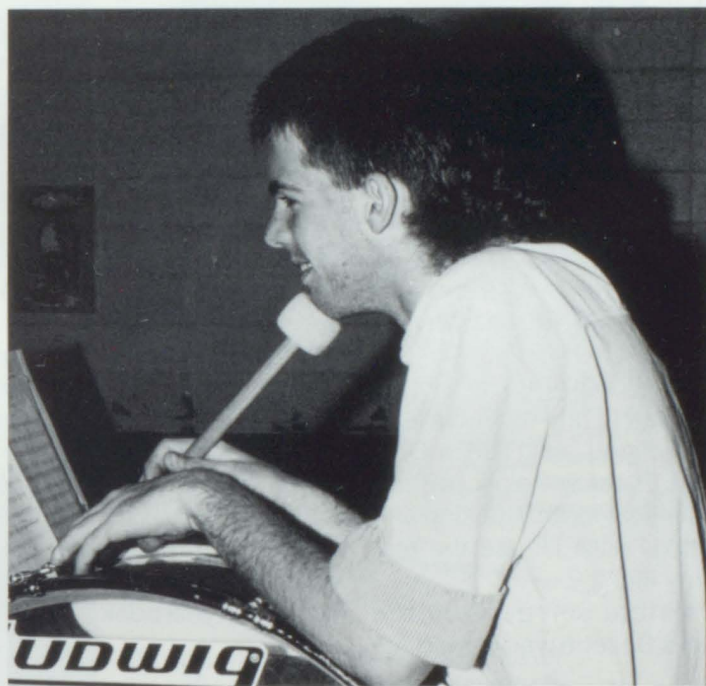
BAND MEMBERS DON Hanger, Billy Stofer, Tim Logan, Eric Lansdown, Jeff Long, and Andria Turner serenade Principal Frank Rowles with "Happy Birthday."





PLAYING THROUGH A difficult passage on his own, Matt Moody gets ready for district music contest.

JIM SHROPSHIRE FINDS a few rests in the bass drum score during rehearsal.



HIGH SCHOOL BAND. Front - John Ragsdale, Don Hanger, Evan Kinser, Tina Gage, Shelby Hesterly, Joe McNeil, Stacey Arnall, Heather Fairbairn, Melissa Holt, Tim Logan, Lisa Myers (director); Back - Andria Turner, Jeff Long, Sophia Greyowl, Richard Gallion, Matt Moody, Steven Garrison, Billy Stofer, Vicky Noble, Angela Lansdown, Matt Brown.



JUNIOR HIGH BAND. Front - Trisha Perry, Tara Moody, Stephanie Copeland, Sabrina Kelly, Virginia Fullbright, Naomi Strohm, Ashley Miller, Michelle Williams, Lisa Myers (director); Back - Justin Long, Stephanie Kelly, Micheal Douglas, James Hanger, Bruce Gatlin, Joe Garrison, Dustin Lansdown, Matt Brown, Janie Carter, Matt Gatlin.

MARCHING BAND

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eadlines don't dim liveliness of staff

Deadlines can be serious, nerve-racking experiences, and they were a constant part of life on the publications staff.

But it was hard to stay serious indefinitely, staff members said.

"If things ever got too hectic around deadline time, we could always count on one of the guys to say a smart remark and liven everyone up," said Deidra Barnett. "That element of silliness kept class fun."

But staff members also had serious times.

"Publications class this year was harder because we had fewer people than last year," said senior Jim Freeman. "We all had to do a little more."

Doing more was exactly what at least one staff member wanted.

"I learned more in school pub than in any other class in high school," said senior Gina Box. "It really helps you improve your skills in talking and writing, skills I'll use the rest of my life."

In state competition the Lion's Gazette was named All-

Missouri for the tenth year in a row, and for the eighth consecutive year the yearbook was also named All-Missouri by the Missouri Interscholastic Press Association.

Staff members won 23 individual state awards, which included a first place win for a newspaper in-depth series on teen pregnancy. Individual first place winners were Box, Gary Greene, Benjie Dennis, Deana Kelley, Kris Gray, and Marc Brazeal.

Gray said part of the fun of school pub was knowing he had a part in winning the All-Missouri awards, and Marc Brazeal agreed.

"When we won all the awards from the state contest it showed us that hard work pays off," he said. "It also made us feel like real studs."

Box was named outstanding staff member overall, Dennis outstanding junior newspaper staffer, Greene outstanding senior newspaper staffer, Christi Evans outstanding junior yearbook staffer, and Barnett outstanding senior yearbook staffer.



YEARBOOK EDITOR DEIDRA Barnett designs a layout for the academic section.

THREE JOBS BEING worked on at once has Audra Suits drawing a yearbook layout, Heather Krider looking for someone to run an errand to the elementary, and Christi Evans checking out the candid photos for her layout.



STAFF MEMBERS TAKE a break from layouts and deadlines. On the ground, Deidra Barnett, Timmarie Hamilton, Christi Evans; seated, Troy Hughes, Tracy Light, Heather Krider, Jim Freeman; standing, Audra Suits, Glen Evans, Gina Box, Gary Greene, Kris Gray, Deana Kelley, Marc Brazeal.

INDEXING THE YEARBOOK catches the attention of Benjie Dennis and Glen Evans.



TIMMARIE HAMILTON SORTS photos for use on the elementary pages of the yearbook.

NEWSPAPER AND YEARBOOK STAFF. Front - Timmarie Hamilton, index editor; Deana Kelley, senior yearbook editor; Tracy Light; Audra Suits, senior yearbook editor; Heather Krider; Gina Box, newspaper editor; Deidra Barnett, yearbook editor-in-chief; Back - Jim Freeman, newspaper sports editor; Christi Evans, junior yearbook editor; Marc Brazeal, junior newspaper editor; Troy Hughes; Glen Evans, business manager; Kris Gray, yearbook sports editor; Gary Greene, newspaper editor. Not shown, Jayme DeChenne; Benjie Dennis, junior newspaper editor.

PUBLICATIONS STAFF

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houting it out rare for 'pep' club

Here's a riddle.

What is small, skimpy, and quiet all over?

Why, MHS Pep Club, of course.

Although it included over 50 members, Pep Club disappointed athletes for the second year in a row.

"Last year we complained that the boys had support from the Pep Club and the girls didn't," said Christi Evans, girls' basketball team member. "This year we couldn't complain so much, because the guys didn't get support either."

Members of the boys' basketball team were also disappointed at the club's lack of spirit, both in number and in attitude.

"It's sad because when we were playing in what they thought was a big game, they showed up, but when we played a conference game that meant something nobody would be there," said Gary Greene, boys' basketball player.

Others thought members of the group showed up only when it was convenient, as evidenced by the fact that the av-

erage number riding the pep bus to out-of-town games was a meager 10 people.

"Pep Club was not very good, seeing as how they were mostly fair weather fans," said Kris Gray, boys basketball team member.

Pep Club members cited several reasons for not participating much at ball games.

"I didn't go to most of the basketball games because I had to work," sophomore Ben Choate said.

Others were simply tired of the ritual and didn't sit with the group when they were at the games.

"When I was in pom pon we had to sit in the Pep Club and stand the whole game," senior Deana Kelley said. "I just got tired of standing up, so I didn't set in the Pep Club."

Pep Club members tried a new fund raising project-selling sports programs at home basketball games.

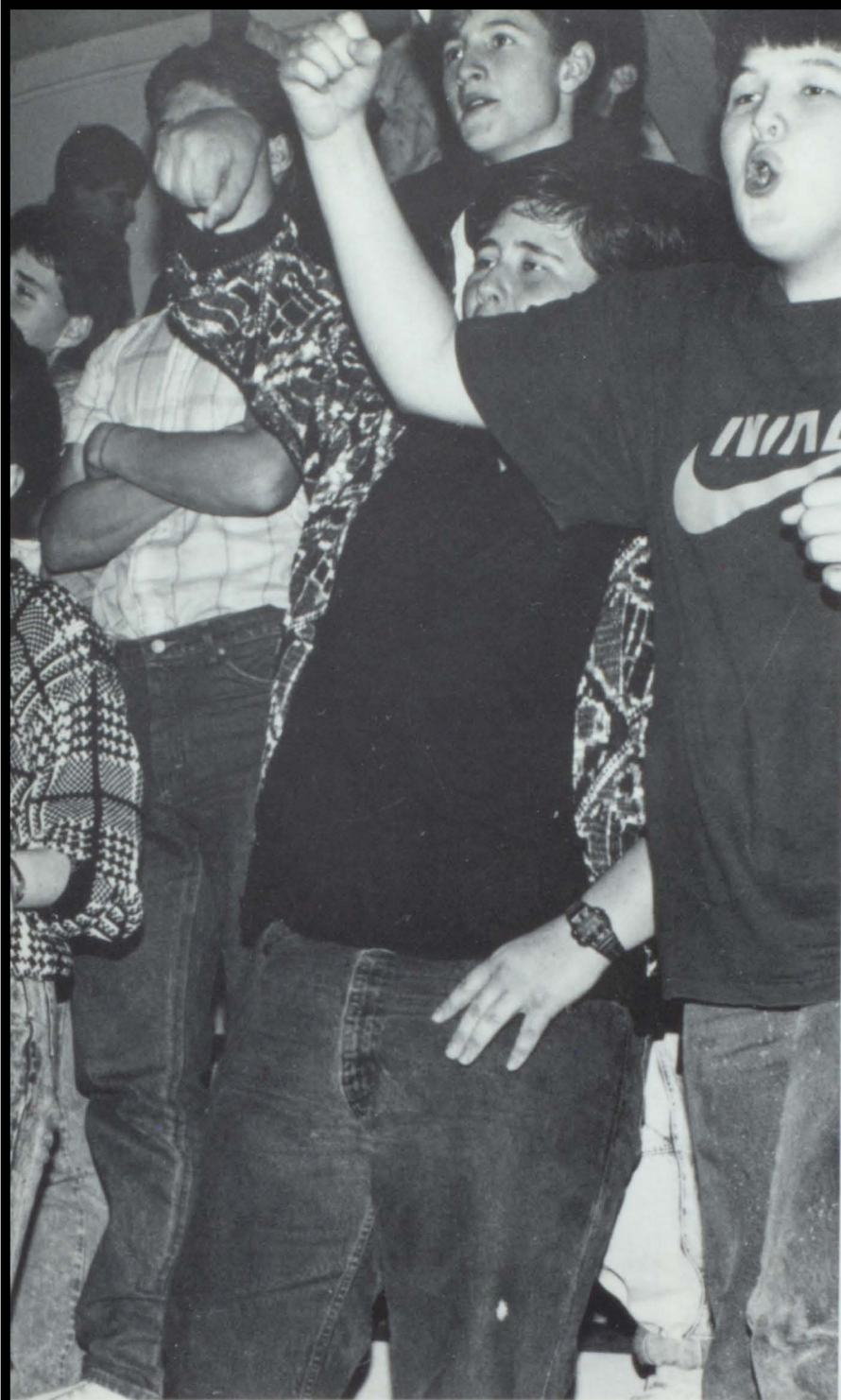
The programs included individual photos and statistics of both girls and boys basketball players, and group photos of both teams, cheerleaders, and pom pons.



SOPHOMORE AND FRESHMEN boys get ready to grab for candy thrown into the pep rally crowd.

VARSITY BASKETBALL PLAYERS Christi Evans and Audra Suits separate balloons from Pep Club in honor of their Mansfield Tournament victory.





WHILE VARSITY BALL PLAYERS slam dunk during warmups, freshmen fans shout their appreciation.

VARSITY CHEERLEADERS JENNIFER

Greene and Serena Page lead a sidelines chant at a home game



POMPON SQUAD members pep up the game with their own cheer from the bleachers.



PEP CLUB

PEP CLUB. Front — Deidra Barnett (president), Shelly Detherage (vice president); Row Two — Gina Box, Lori Durham, Tracy Light, Waylon Johnson, Angie Miller, Timmarie Hamilton, Audra Suits, Rachelle Lansdown, Stacey Wilson, Shelby Hesterly, Serena Dunsmuir, Tish Goss; Row three — Angela Lansdown, Lee Ann Cannon, Stacey Arnall, Kristy Burnett, Deana Kelley, Tracy Coffman, Jennifer Greene, Angela Kingery, Heather Lansdown, Missy Carter, Lane Adamson, Serena Page, Becky Bryson; Row four — Vicky Noble, Carla Swopes, Missy Melton, Amy Compton, James Barnett, Scott Smith, Wava Engle, Melissa Holt, Brandy Wright, Scott Storms; Row five — Laura Rose, Tina Gage, Marny Clark, Holly Lakey, Patricia Millsap, Jeff Long, Tim Logan, Sophia Greyowl, Clint Berry, Susan Jones, Andria Turner, Mary Ann Gatlin; Back — Kendall Keith, Carrie Gray, James Axsom, Stacy Frantz, Heather Fairbairn, Jeri Moody, Barry Short, Steve Garrison, Ben Choate, Chris Dunn; Kevin Jones, Brent Napier, Mike Helsley.

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nderclassmen dominate squads

Sophomores and freshmen, who usually have to "work their way up," had sole responsibility for all cheerleading squads.

In the past, the varsity cheerleading squad consisted of juniors and seniors, and the junior varsity was freshmen and sophomores. However, this year a rule change allowed sophomores to try out for varsity, and for jayvee to be open to all four grades.

As it turned out, the varsity cheerleaders were all tenth graders, and the junior varsity cheerleaders were all ninth graders.

The sophomores said they weren't intimidated by their lack of experience on the varsity level.

"I felt that we were good enough to be a varsity squad," said Missy Carter, "since we have had the experience of cheering for four years when you count junior high."

Another change involved summer cheerleading camp. None of the varsity squad attended camp, and only three junior varsity members at-

tended the camp.

At least one varsity cheerleader regretted the decision by the group to not attend camp.

"We weren't able to see how we stood up to other schools in competition," sophomore Stacey Wilson said. "Also, we didn't have any new material unless we made it up by ourselves."

The three who attended the Dynamic Cheerleading Camp in Warrensburg were freshmen Carrie Gray, Melissa Holt, and Angela Lansdown.

The three girls collected a total of 15 blue ribbons and were presented with awards for most improved, cheer skill, spirit, and leadership.

"It was pretty fun, and we learned lots of new cheers while we were there," Holt said.

Sponsor Sheri Dimos, who also attended camp, was pleased with their performances, regardless of the small size of the group.

"They showed a lot of strength and courage," she said. "I was really proud of them."

■ **ANGELA LANSDOWN JUMPS** out of a pyramid with jayvee cheerleaders Melissa Holt, Carrie Gray, and Wava Engle. Heather Fairbairn cheers in front.



■ **GETTING THE CROWD** excited, Angela Lansdown and Carrie Gray cheer for a junior varsity game.



■ **KEEPING AN EYE** on the game, varsity cheerleaders Jennifer Greene and Serina Page lead a chant.



■ **VARSITY CHEERLEADERS JENNIFER** Greene, Angela Kingery, Tracy Coffman, Missy Carter, and Serina Page do a sideline chant.

■ **"WE'RE AFTER YOU"** ends a spirited cheer by Jennifer Greene, Angela Kingery, Stacey Wilson, Tracy Coffman, Serina Page, and Missy Carter.



■ **VARSITY CHEERLEADERS, LEFT.** Front - Missy Carter, Tracy Coffman; Row Two - Serina Page, Stacey Wilson; Back - Angela Kingery, Jennifer Greene.

■ **JUNIOR VARSITY CHEERLEADERS, right.** Front - Angela Lansdown, Carrie Gray; Back - Heather Fairbairn, Melissa Holt, Wava Engle.

CHEERLEADERS

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ectic pace sparks performance

Only 20 seconds to spare gave pom pon squad members a close call and a strong memory for the season.

One Friday evening in early February three squad members had the dual duties of playing basketball in the Norwood Tournament and also performing a pom pon routine at a home boys' game.

Following a victory at Norwood, the three girls headed for the locker room, where they exchanged basketball uniforms for pom pon skirts and sweaters.

After a quick 9-mile trip back to Mansfield, the girls thought they had plenty of time to spare before their half-time performance, but it didn't work out that way.

"I didn't think much of it until we walked in the door and saw that the score clock said 20 seconds left until half time. By the time we threw our coats off and grabbed our pom pons, we were rushed straight onto the floor to perform," freshman Stacey Arnall said. "I wasn't nervous until after it was over and I realized what a close call it had been."

Having no time to think about what was going on may have been a blessing.

"I wasn't worried at all until we drove up and I realized I had the wrong shoes on," junior Missy Melton said. "So I dropped everything, changed shoes, and performed - all within about two minutes."

The other five members of the squad also set to perform that night felt the pressure.

"It was weird, considering half the squad was gone and we had only 20 seconds until we performed," sophomore Serena Dunsmuir said. "It was a very nerve wracking night."

Pom pon captain Tracy Light, a senior, said it was a pressure-filled experience, but one that worked out in a good way.

"There was a lot of pressure on everyone that night, but everyone pulled together and it turned out great," she said. "Waiting for the girls worked out for the best though, because it got everyone pumped up for the routine."



■ **KICKING THEIR WAY** through a pin-wheel move, the Sweethearts entertain the crowd at a home game.



■ **SHELBY HESTERLY AND Tish Goss** do the final move of the Homecoming routine:



■ **SWEETHEARTS CAPTAIN TRACY**
Light flashes some quick moves for the
MHS Pep Club area.

■ **HOLLY LAKEY, MARY Ann Gatlin,**
and Missy Melton, all in front, perform
a pom pon pass.

■ **BELOW LEFT, MARNY Clark and**
Sophia Greyowl do a slowed-down seg-
ment of "Satisfied" at a pep rally.



■ **HOMECOMING
EXCITEMENT**
SHOWS on the face
of LeeAnn Cannon
during the routine.



■ **SWEETHEARTS POM PON Squad.** Front - Tracy Light
(captain); Row two - LeeAnn Cannon, Missy Melton; Back
- Tish Goss, Serena Dunsmuir, Shelby Hesterly, Stacey Ar-
nall, Sophia Greyowl, Mary Ann Gatlin, Marny Clark.

MHS SWEETHEARTS

■ **"GOODNESS, GRACIOUS, GREAT**
balls of fire," Jerry Lee Lewis style, is the
music that gets Stacey Arnall in motion.



●●●● Celebration begins the minute the championship game is over when the Lions win the Mansfield Tournament.

●●●● At the sound of the gun, the cross country runners are off like a shot at the Summit Conference meet at Mansfield.



●●●● Stopping a Houston drive to the basket, Tiffany Watterson and Christi Evans provide defense and a chance for Karrie Durham to make a fast break.

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imply unbeatable

When all sports are considered — baseball, softball, cross country, volleyball, girls' basketball, boys' basketball, and track - this has to be simply the best combined year ever for MHS. After 10 to 15 years of struggling for the girls' teams, they finally hit their stride, winning conference titles, winning tournaments, and breaking season records. Add to that what is more common, outstanding seasons for boys' sports, and you had squads that won game after game, often lulling their fans into forgetting what it was like for their team to be beaten.

●●● Kendall Keith hits a line drive to left field in a home game with Hartville.



●●● Spiking the ball past a block by Cabool gives Shelly Detherage another kill and helps the team to a district semi-final victory.

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spikes excite volleyball fans

Kill. What a slam dunk is to basketball, kill is to volleyball - a crashing, murderous crowd pleaser.

The kill, or spike, was also a big reason the Lady Lions roared to a 18-4 record, which included a second consecutive Summit Conference championship, first place in the conference tournament, and first place in the Norwood Tournament.

Although the team came in second to Licking in the district final at Cabool, the players considered the season successful, but more importantly, enjoyable.

"I really enjoyed this season," said junior spiker Shelly Detherage. "We worked well together and when we hit the floor everything just clicked."

Detherage was leading server for the team, scoring 152 points and beating out the old school record of 145.

Team unity and fan support was also a big part of the team's success.

"I though we got along better than ever before," said senior Audra Suits. "This made us a better team."

Senior Deidra Barnett attributed fan support as a "motivational tool."

"I liked how everyone got excited and came to see us play," Barnett said. "It was easier to get motivated when everyone in the stands was cheering."

Along with winning the conference came five All-Conference picks from the six-member team. Seniors Suits and Karrie Durham were All-Conference, along with Detherage and sophomore Stacey Wilson. Barnett was chosen as honorable mention.

Other letter winners were junior Tiffany Watterson, sophomore Tracy Coffman, and freshman Wava Engle. Provisional letters went to sophomore Serena Page and freshman Stacey Arnall.

Watterson summed up the attitude of many of the players.

"We had a great season and a great team," she said. "It was fun because we won most of the time, and winning conference again was awesome."



● **IN A TOURNAMENT** game with Nian-gua, Tiffany Watterson bumps the ball back over the net.

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Volleyball

WON 18 LOST 4

MHS	OPP
15-13, 15- 8	Seymour
15- 1, 15- 4	Conway
15- 2, 15- 2	Niangua
15- 1, 15- 8	Norwood J.V.
15- 1, 15-10	Cabool
15- 6, 15-12	Gainesville
16-14, 15- 8	Ava
	Forsyth
15- 2, 15-11	Seymour
15- 2, 15- 7	Niangua
	Mtn. Grove
15- 4, 15- 6	Willow Springs
15- 7, 15- 6	Fordland
	Cabool
15- 3, 15- 3	Gainesville
15- 0, 15- 9	Conway
15- 1, 15- 1	Fordland
15- 5, 15- 9	Gainesville
15- 4, 15- 9	Norwood
15- 6, 15- 7	Fordland
15- 8, 15- 8	Gainesville
	Licking
	15-6, 15-12



● **VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM.** Front - Stacey Wilson, Tiffany Watterson, Deidra Barnett, Karrie Durham, Audra Suits, Shelly Detherage; Back - Coach Jim Reaves, Serena Page, Stacey Arnall, Wava Engle, Tracy Coffman, Coach Roger Wood.

“ Our game with Ava was the most fun of the whole season, because so many kids came out to watch it. Our guys keeping count of our spikes by making “K” signs really got us fired up.” — Stacey Wilson

● **LEAPING HIGH** TO spike the ball, Karrie Durham scores a point for the Lady Lions in a match with Fordland.



● **THE VARSITY TEAM** celebrates the Summit Conference Tournament championship. At bottom, Karrie Durham; middle, Stacey Wilson, Deidra Barnett, Audra Suits, back, Wava Engle, Stacey Arnall, Shelly Detherage, Tiffany Watterson, Serena Page.

● **FAR LEFT, TRACY** Coffman defends her position by controlling the serve against Niangua.

● **LEFT, DEIDRA BARNETT** sets up the ball so Stacey Wilson can spike it at Cabool.



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tate fever back for thirds

Running in the state cross country meet has become addictive for the MHS cross country team.

For the third consecutive year, the boy's team qualified for the state meet. Based on the successes of the season, this group was expected to speed past the eighth place finish of both previous entries.

Instead, the team placed ninth at the Jefferson City meet.

"As individuals, everyone improved," said senior Scott Dunsmuir. "But our placing at state could have been a lot better. We had the talent, but just failed to take advantage of it."

Placings at state were Dunsmuir 20, senior Lance Adamson 25, senior Lane Adamson 48, sophomore Aaron Proffitt 72, sophomore Ben Choate 109, senior Marty Henry 110, and freshman Brad Hanger 120.

The road to state began with the district meet held at Mansfield, with MHS accounting for three of the top six runners. Lance Adamson was third, Hanger was fourth, and Dunsmuir sixth. Rounding out the squad was Proffitt 12, Choate 15, Lane Adamson 17, and Henry 21.

Henry was an integral part of the team for four years, running at the state meet every year. The past three years he was part of the team at State, and his freshman year he qualified to compete as an individual.

"I was disappointed with my performance as a senior," Henry said. "My legs were so messed up I couldn't ever get back in the flow and I didn't feel like I contributed like I had in the past."

However, Henry is proud of his four years of running.

"Going to state four years in a row is a great honor that not many people get," he said. "It just goes to show that hard work pays off."

The team dominated the Summit Conference, with Dunsmuir, Lance Adamson, Hanger, and Proffitt earning All-Conference honors.

In addition, Dunsmuir was named to the All-Southwest Missouri second team.



● JUNIOR VARSITY CROSS COUNTRY TEAM. Coach Randy Short, Jamin Corder, Clint Buchanan, Taylor Hamilton, Scott Hall, Evan Kinser, Matt Brown.

● **SQUINTING AGAINST THE** strong sunlight, Marty Henry runs the second lap of the Summit Conference meet at Mansfield.

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Cross Country

WON 5

MHS	MEET LOCATION
Third	Plato
Second	Mtn. Grove
Second	Nixa
Fifth	Mtn. Grove
First	Mansfield
First	Conway
Second	Willow Springs
First	Mansfield
First	Mansfield
First	Mansfield (districts)
Ninth	Jefferson City (state)

MEDAL WINNERS: Brad Hanger 8, Lance Adamson 7, Scott Dunsmuir 7, Aaron Proffitt 6, Lane Adamson 3, Ben Choate 3, Becky Bryson 2.



● **VARSITY CROSS COUNTRY TEAM.** Front - Scott Dunsmuir, Marty Henry, Lance Adamson, Lane Adamson, Aaron Proffitt; Back - Coach Randy Short, Ben Choate, Brad Hanger, Becky Bryson.

“I have no idea why no other girls ran cross country. They all just started dropping out. To me, running cross country is fun and challenging, but being the only girl is awful because I always have to run by myself.” — Becky Bryson



● **IT'S A LONELY** road for Becky Bryson, MHS's sole female cross country runner, as she competes at the conference meet at Mansfield.



● **MATCHING UP WITH** runners from over a dozen schools, Lance Adamson (535), Ben Choate (540) and Aaron Proffitt (539) compete in the district meet at Mansfield.

● **SCOTT DUNSMUIR, LANCE** Adamson and Aaron Proffitt show off their winning physiques and their first place plaque at the conference meet.

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trong show, but mixed feelings

Some would say "outstanding", but some would say, "we'll never know what could have been."

In the outstanding category, the Lions ended the season with a 21-6 record, including an overtime win over rival Hartville.

With Hartville up by three with 12 seconds to go in regulation time, Marc Brazeal dribbled the ball down court and passed it to Barry Short, who canned a three-pointer with 7 seconds to go, tying the game and sending it into overtime.

"As I started down the floor, Coach told me to hurry and get to the corner," Short said. "I knew I was going to get the ball, and I had to make the shot or we would lose. After the ball left my hands I didn't have a single doubt it was going in."

Mansfield Tournament champs for the second consecutive year was another reason to call the year outstanding. The team was also ranked third in the state 2A category, won second in the Seymour Tournament, and consolation in the Nixa Tournament.

Not knowing what could have been will always be a nagging question.

Mansfield players always had in the back of their minds the fact that their district included the state's number one and two ranked teams, Alton and Licking.

"We tried not to think about it too much, and not let them intimidate us," Marty Henry said.

However, the Lions lost to Licking 65-49 in the district semifinals, leaving the MHS players dreaming about what might have been.

Junior Kris Gray, who was named to the Nixa All-Tournament team, led the Lions in scoring with 21 points a game. Other double figure scorers were Matt Calhoun 14, Gary Greene 10, and Short 10.

Gray also led in rebounding, grabbing 13 per game for a 339 total, and in field goal shooting percentage with 61 percent. Calhoun shot 76 percent from the line.

Gray, Greene, and Calhoun were named All-Conference; Short was honorable mention.



● ABOVE, KRIS GRAY scores two against Seymour; right, Barry Short goes high to catch a lob pass.

● **MATT CALHOUN DISPLAYS** text-book form as he rises to shoot a jumper over Ava's Monte Overcast.

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Basketball

WON 21 LOST 6

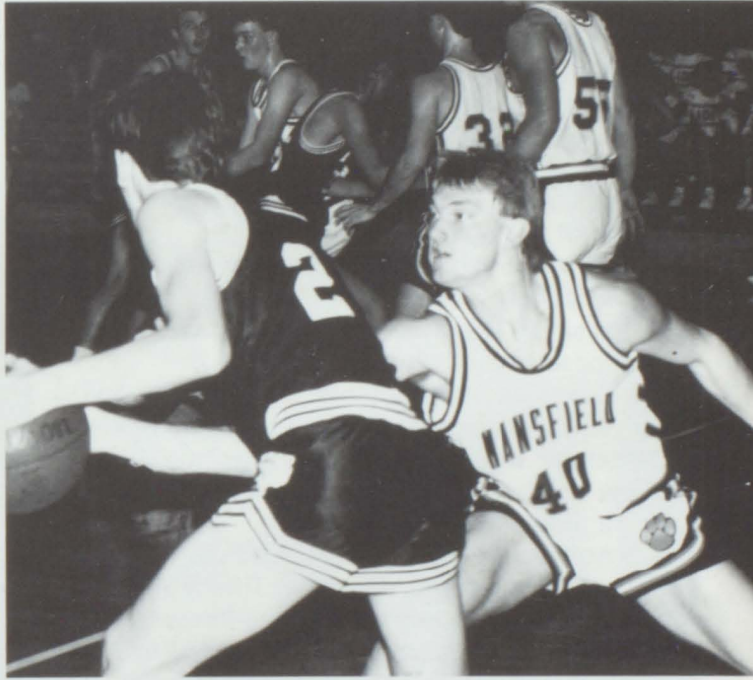
MHS		OPP
96	Niangua	27
93	Plato	61
77	Niangua	21
60	Plato	48
69	Conway	65
74	Seymour	56
63	Conway	61
61	Norwood	47
67	Hartville	61
77	Houston	45
85	Cabool	52
99	Bradleyville	40
63	Mtn. Grove	48
63	Ava	68
59	Gainesville	42
55	Republic	59
74	Cassville	70
54	Nixa	48
73	Conway	83
79	Hartville	64
62	Mtn. Grove	59
67	Seymour	51
76	Fordland	71
65	Ava	77
58	Willow Springs	61
66	Thayer	56
49	Licking	65



VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM. Front - Marty Henry, Benjie Dennis, Don Hanger, Jim Freeman, Gary Greene, James Barnett; Back - Coach Jerry Armstrong, Matt Calhoun, Barry Short, Kris Gray, Marc Brazeal, Coach Doug Jones.

“After four years of high school basketball you would think that you would get tired of it, but I wish I could do it all over again. Playing basketball for Mansfield has been absolutely a great experience for me.” — Gary Greene

● **MARTY HENRY APPLIES** defensive pressure as he reaches for a steal against Seymour.



JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL team. Front - Don Hanger, Kendall Keith, Ryan Miller, Jon Freeman, Frank Jones, Reggie Roy; Back - Chris Dunn, Scott Smith, Coach Doug Jones, James Barnett, Brad Hanger.

● **ATTEMPTING TO SCORE,** Jim Freeman gets set while Cody French of Ava tries to block the shot, middle.

● **GARY GREENE SLIDES** through Ava's defense in attempt to score. Greene was fouled on the play and converted both free throws, left.

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omething to shout about

After 14 years and only one winning record, the Lady Lions basketball team made its fifteenth year a banner year by roaring to a 20 win season.

The Lady Lions had "simply the best" year they have ever had, finishing the year with a 20-7 record, first in the Mansfield Tournament, second in the Summit Conference Tournament and the Norwood Tournament.

"It was great to be on the only team in 15 years to win 20 games, especially since it was my last year," said senior starter Audra Suits.

A first place finish in the conference tourney was within the team's grasp. The Lady Lions led by one point with two seconds left, when a Gainesville player sank a 15-foot jumper to turn the game around.

"I felt like we should have won the game, but we relaxed in the last seconds when we thought we had it won," said freshman starter Stacey Arnall. "You can't do that against the good teams."

The team also had a chance in the last game of the season to gain sole possession of the conference crown. Instead, a loss to Fordland meant the Lady Lions had to settle for a five-way tie with Gainesville, Fordland, Conway and Hartville.

An important honor went to junior starter Christi Evans, who was chosen Most Valuable Player of the Summit Conference.

"It was a big honor because of how close all the teams in the conference were in ability," Evans said. "There were lots of talented players to choose from."

Evans was leading scorer for the Lady Lions with 17 points a game, and junior starter Shelly Detherage was second with 13 points. Detherage led the team in rebounds with 7 a game and a total of 186 boards.

Arnall shot 59 percent to lead the team in field goal percentage, and junior Tiffany Watterson shot 61 percent from the free-throw line.

Evans and Detherage were named to the All-Conference team, and senior starter Karrie Durham was named Honorable Mention.

● **AFTER CONTROLLING THE** defensive board, Shelly Detherage gets trapped by two Hartville defenders.



● **LEE ANN CANNON** powers in two points against Niangua.

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Basketball

WON 20 LOST 7

MHS		OPP
54	Niangua	20
49	Hartville	47
38	Gainesville	40
39	Willow Springs	40
80	Bradleyville	25
59	Ava	41
77	Cabool	46
58	Mtn. Grove	36
52	Houston	39
60	Liberty	39
47	Conway	43
44	Fordland	38
53	Niangua	19
60	Norwood	54
50	Hartville	39
42	Conway	45
61	Gainesville	53
63	Seymour	32
59	Seymour	22
42	Norwood	44
41	Hartville	44
44	Norwood	51
55	Seymour	27
44	Hartville	38
37	Fordland	40
69	Ellington	43
43	Hartville	50



GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM. Front - Amy Compton, Audra Suits, Karrie Durham, Christi Evans, LeeAnn Cannon, Tracy Coffman; Back - Coach Butch Burch, Brandy Wright, Stacey Arnall, Shelly Detherage, Tiffany Watterson, Jennifer Greene, Missy Melton.

“ Beating Gainesville, when they were ranked third in the state, was the most exciting moment of the season. They thought they were better than anyone else because of the state ranking.” — Shelly Detherage

● **CUTTING ACROSS THE lane,** Stacey Arnall finds a seam to post up in, during a game with Fordland.



● **SURROUNDED BY TWO** Norwood players, Karrie Durham dishes off to Shelly Detherage.

● **CHRISTI EVANS AND** Hartville's Becky McDaris struggle for the loose ball in the Norwood Tournament.



● **AUDRA SUITS GETS** the rebound and leads the fast break against Houston in the Mansfield Tournament.



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istrict finish replays the past

If the events hadn't happened a year apart, it would almost have been an instant replay.

For the second year in a row, Marty Henry, a senior, earned the district championship in the 100 meter dash.

A relay team just missed a top district finish by a fraction of a second. Henry, junior Troy Hughes, junior Benjie Dennis, and freshman Clint Buchanan ran in the 400 meter, placing third.

"We worked hard to have good times, only to get beat out of state by hundredths of a second," Hughes said.

Another track team member's most memorable race happened at the Bolivar meet.

"My best race was the 1600 meter at Bolivar," sophomore Aaron Proffitt said. "It was my favorite kind of race. I had a real close race with two other guys, and Coach said you couldn't see daylight between us. We finished in a tie for fourth."

Several members of the track team were freshmen, who enjoyed the change from only a few meets in junior high to plenty of meets in high school.

"Track was fun because we got to go lots more places than we did in junior high," Buchanan said. "In my opinion, we had a really good team this year."

Jared Jones, another freshman, entered the shot and discus events.

"We had more freedom in high school track," he said. "I liked it because you got to do what you wanted to pretty much whenever you wanted."

Track season was a time to push himself to the limit, Dennis said.

"I like track season," he said, "because it makes you compete against yourself and try to do better every time you have a meet."

Meets for the team were always held in other towns, because Mansfield is one of the few schools in the area which has a track team but no track for it to practice on.



SCOTT HALL TAKES the first step out of the blocks as the first runner in the 400 meter relay.

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Track

WON 10

Meet: Ava
Events: High Jump: Marty Henry first
Shot: Henry first
100 Meter dash: Henry first

Meet: Ava
Events: 100 Meter Dash: Henry first
200 Meter Dash: Troy Hughes first
Shot: Henry first
High Jump: Henry first
3200 Meter Run: Becky Bryson first
Discus: Heather Krider first

Meet: Districts
Events: 100 Meter Dash: Henry first
100 Meter Relay: Mansfield third (Henry, Benjie Dennis, Clint Buchanan, Hughes)

Meet: State
Event: 100 Meter Dash: Henry

Season medal winners: Henry, Dennis, Lance Adamson, Aaron Proffitt, Ben Choate, Scott Dunsmuir, Buchanan, Hughes, Deidra Barnett, Shelly Detherage, Krider, Serina Page



● **TRACK TEAM** Front - Lance Adamson, Marty Henry, Lane Anderson, Ben Choate, Aaron Proffitt, Clint Buchanan, Coach Randy Short; Row two - Benjie Dennis, Ray Coombes, Scott Hall, Scott Smith, Troy Hughes, Angie Miller, Shelly Detherage, Deidra Barnett, Kristy Burnett, Heather Krider; Back - Jared Jones, Jamin Corder, Serina Page, Angela Kingery, Heather Lansdown, Taylor Hamilton, Becky Bryson, Miles Keith, Angela Lansdown.

“I was glad we finally got a good relay team. We worked hard to have good times, only to get beat out of going to state by hundredths of a second.”
— Troy Hughes



● **FROM RIGHT, TAYLOR** Hamilton, Matt Brown, Scott Hall, and Scott Smith wait in the “bullpen” for the shuttle hurdle relay to line up.

● **SERINA PAGE, MIDDLE**, clears the high jump at a track meet at Willow Springs.

R

ain, losses dampen season

Disappointing could describe two things about softball season - the weather and the record.

Ending with a record of 4-6 was not exactly what the team had in mind.

"I was disappointed with how the season went," Tiffany Watterson said. "We had the talent to do better."

LeeAnn Cannon said mental failings, not physical ones, caused the team to compile a losing record.

"We had a pretty good team overall, but we didn't quite work together well enough" she said. "As Coach (Roger) Wood would say, too many mental errors."

Then there was the weather. Several games early in the season were played in 40 and 50 degree temperatures, and rain was a constant threat.

"The weather really made it hard for us to get up for the ballgames," Timmarie Hamilton said. "We wore sweatshirts and long johns under our uniforms, which made us look about 50 pounds heavier."

Deana Kelley said playing in the outfield at times felt like being in Alaska, and Missy Carter said it definitely affected playing skills.

"We didn't play as good due to the cold weather," she said. "When we couldn't stay warm, after a while it got hard to play."

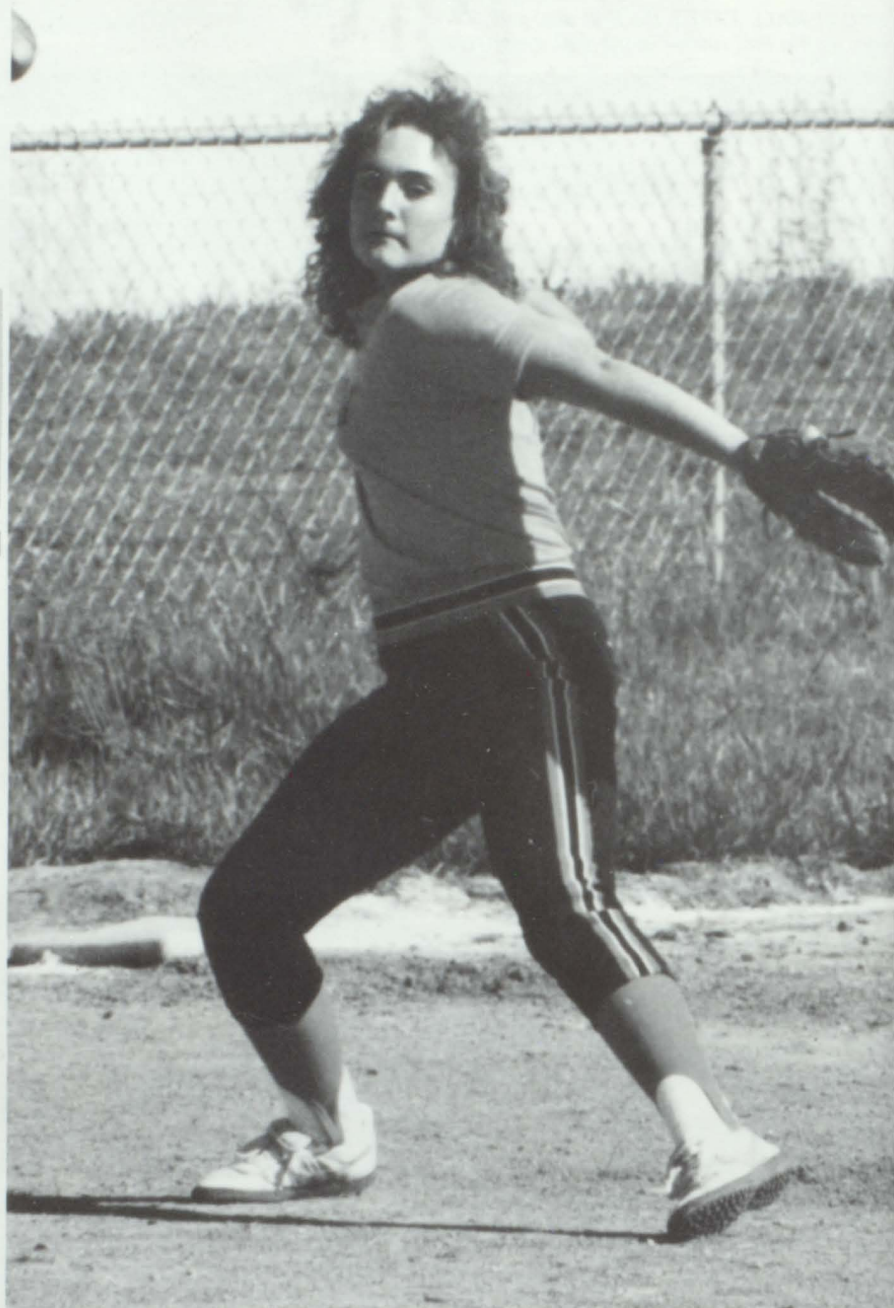
Basically, team members regretted ending up with the high school's only losing sports record.

"I think we had a whole lot more potential than what we showed," Tracy Coffman said. "The problem was that we never got around to proving it."

Watterson led the team in hitting with a .545 batting average, and was also the RBI leader with 23.

Other leading batting averages were Coffman .516, and Audra Suits .514.

Lettermen were Coffman, Cannon, Suits, Watterson, Hamilton, Julie Jurewicz, Stacey Wilson, Kelley, Carter, Andria Turner, Stacey Arnall, Wava Engle, Amy Compton, and Vicky Noble.



● **LEEANN CANNON EXECUTES** a successful bunt, above, and at right, shortstop Tracy Coffman fields a bouncing grounder.

● **AFTER HITTING A** single against Conway, Tiffany Watterson waits for a chance to steal second, right.

● **THIRD BASEMAN JULIE Jurewicz** stretches back to fire a throw to first base in a game with Conway.

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Softball

WON 4 LOST 6

MHS		OPP
9	Gainesville	16
18	Niangua	2
16	Seymour	17
4	Norwood	14
10	Seymour	2
14	Hartville	19
8	Conway	9
9	Conway	10
30	Niangua	3
8	Hartville	4



SOFTBALL TEAM Front - Audra Suits, Wava Engle, Missy Carter, Tracy Coffman, Christi Evans; Row two - Stacey Wilson, Tiffany Watterson, Sophia Greyowl, Shawnya Matney, Deana Kelley, Amy Compton; Back - Beth Gaddis, Andria Turner, Coach Roger Wood, Stacey Arnall, Timmarie Hamilton.

“ I had a fly ball hit to me on one of the days we played in the freezing cold. My hands were so cold that when I threw the ball it hit the ground right in front of me.” — Tiffany Watterson

● **FIRST BASEMAN TIMMARIE Hamilton** throws to make a play at home plate.



● **AUDRA SUITS USES** the swing that gets her a double in a game with Conway.

● **STACEY WILSON RELEASES** the ball for a strike in a home game with Conway.

T

here's always room at the top

Thirty straight wins rocketed the baseball Lions to the coveted "final four" and the state tournament, then a couple of runs kept the state championship just out of reach.

The team saw its 30-game winning streak end at the hands of Westran, 3-1, in the state semifinal game in Columbia. Rain the next day forced cancellation of a scheduled third place game with Scott City.

Both teams were awarded semifinalist plaques and ribbons.

"It was a storybook season without a storybook ending," Coach Doug Jones said. "We'll just figure it as a tie for third place."

Westran coach Kelly Odneal said he still has a lot of respect for the Mansfield team.

"I would still say they are the premier team in the state," he said.

Mansfield gained the quarterfinals by beating defending state champion Licking 14-2 in a state sectional game. It was sweet revenge for the Lions, who had lost to Licking the last three years in the same situation.

Seniors David Wilson and Gary Greene both hit three-run homers in that game, and senior Matt Calhoun and junior Marc Brazeal added single home runs.

One of the strengths of the team was pitching provided by Calhoun, who compiled a three year record of 36 wins against only two losses.

"Every time I take the mound," Calhoun said, "I've got enough confidence in myself and my ability that I know I can win."

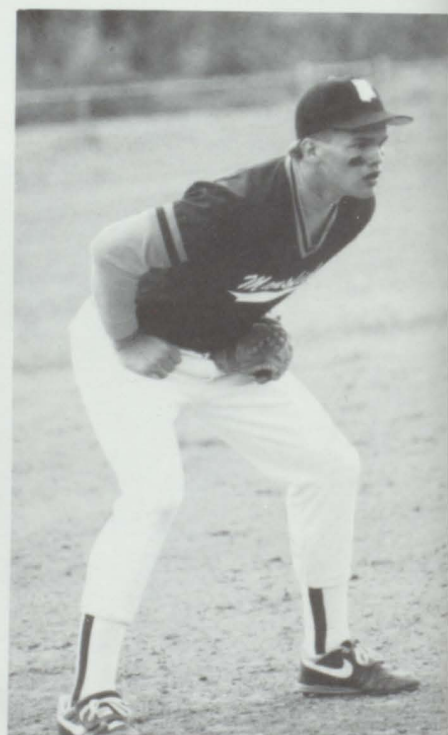
Starters on the team were seniors Calhoun, Greene, Jim Freeman, Ron Felker, Wilson; juniors Brazeal, Kris Gray; sophomores Frank Jones, Barry Short; and freshman Kendall Keith.

Batting averages for the team were Greene .535, Don Hanger .500, Felker .471, Calhoun .462, Gray .444, Freeman .432, Short .396, Brazeal .380, Wilson .353, Jones .333, James Barnett .333, Keith .263, Billy Stofer .250, and Glen Evans .250.

Greene led in runs batted in with 60 and in home runs with 17. Pitchers' ERA's were Calhoun 1.30, Felker 2.47, and Short 1.85.



● **CATCHER JIM FREEMAN** waits for the pitch from Matt Calhoun in a game with Hartville.



● **THIRD BASEMAN KRIS Gray** is concentration at work in the last home game of the season.

● **BARRY SHORT WAITS** for a conference on the mound to be over.

GARY GREENE HOPES the next pitch has home run written all over it.

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Baseball

WON 31 LOST 1

MHS		OPP
13	Hartville	1
31	Seymour	1
20	Fordland	0
16	Niangua	0
10	Conway	0
10	Plato	3
4	Conway	0
12	Plato	3
11	Hartville	9
9	Fordland	0
13	Norwood	5
13	Marshfield	2
10	Gainesville	0
10	Mtn Grove	0
12	Niangua	1
20	Glendale	4
6	Seymour	14
25	Lebanon	7
9	Ava	0
13	Houston	2
14	Fordland	7
8	Ava	12
16	Norwood	6
10	Hartville	2
3	Hartville	1
8	Crane	7
8	Licking	2
14	(Sectionals)	
9	Stockton	1
	(State Quarter Finals)	
1	Westran	3
	(State Semifinals)	



● **BASEBALL TEAM.** Front - Matt Calhoun, Ryan Miller, Frank Jones, Kendall Keith, Jon Freeman, Clint Berry; Row two - Gary Greene, Dave Wilson, Marc Brazeal, Jim Freeman, Glen Evans, Don Hanger, Ron Felker; Back - Jennifer Greene, Coach Doug Jones, James Barnett, Barry Short, Matt Moody, Kris Gray, Coach Butch Burch, Tracy Light.

“ You don’t realize the confidence factor involved in this (winning sectionals). You know Licking comes in knowing they can’t lose to Mansfield. You’d think we’d be thinking we can’t beat Licking. But we’d put it in our minds that it wasn’t going to happen again.” — Gary Greene.

● **STEPPING OUT** OF the box, Marc Brazeal checks the signs from Coach Doug Jones.



● **AFTER HITTING A** single, Ron Felker waits for action to resume in a game with Hartville.



● **TOP, MATT CALHOUN** throws a curveball; above, outfielder David Wilson concentrates on action at the plate.

B

oy's' teams regroup to win

Losing records were things of the past for the junior high boys' basketball team.

Both the seventh grade and eighth grade teams had promising turnarounds from last year, with the eighth grade compiling a record of 9-6 and the seventh grade finishing at 5-5.

The eighth grade boys won second in the Norwood Tournament and third in the Summit Conference Tournament.

"We had a lot of height, and their work ethic improved from last year," Coach Randy Short said. "I was also pleased with the way we played in the conference tournament. Both the girls and the boys had a good showing."

Eighth grader Randall Roy was happy about the winning record.

"I feel that our season went pretty well because we were using our heads and playing better as a team," he said.

The combined seventh and eighth grade girls' team ended the season with a record of 2-13, following an 11-2 season last year. Seventh grader Stephanie Calhoun said that the shortage of eighth graders (only three were out for the team) was the main reason for the girls' decline.

"The reason we didn't do well was because of lack of experience," Calhoun said. "We only had three eighth graders and our seventh graders just weren't experienced as an eighth grader would be."

Eighth grader Sunny Watterson led the girls in scoring with a high game of 17 and an average of 10 points a game.

Adam Brooke, whose high game was 22, and Roy, whose high game was 23, were top scorers for the eighth grade, averaging 13 and 12 points respectively.

Chuck Campbell led the seventh grade in scoring, averaging 12 points a game. He had a high game of 29 points.

Aretha Sickles was leading rebounder for the girls, and Roy and Brooke held top honors for the eighth grade. Campbell was the leading rebounder for the seventh grade.



● **SEVENTH GRADE CHEERLEADERS.**
Front - Janie Carter, Shannon Cantrell, Tara Moody; Back - Erin Calhoun, Laura Shannon, Torrie Collins.



● **EIGHTH GRADE CHEERLEADERS.**
Front - Bobbie Beck, Jacque Lansdown, Stephanie Copeland; Back - Kim Hyde, Stephanie Joseph.

● **ATTEMPTING TO KEEP** the Gainesville Bulldogs from scoring, Aretha Sickles and Emily Matlock play tough defense.

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Basketball

WON 2 LOST 13

MJH	GIRLS	OPP
12	Conway	20
15	Seymour	37
19	Hartville	21
26	Niangua	34
16	Skyline	26
9	Norwood	34
16	Seymour	35
26	Hartville	28
14	Conway	13
17	Gainesville	45
13	Niangua	32
23	Fordland	21
19	Norwood	47
25	Gainesville	51

WON 9 LOST 6

MJH	EIGHTH	OPP
41	Conway	21
35	Seymour	23
32	Hartville	59
29	Niangua	21
51	Skyline	40
28	Norwood	31
32	Seymour	29
36	Hartville	58
26	Niangua	22
32	Fordland	46
34	Seymour	24
30	Fordland	35
31	Norwood	28
24	Gainesville	31
42	Ava	30

WON 5 LOST 5

MJH	SEVENTH	OPP
37	Conway	38
21	Seymour	15
28	Hartville	34
40	Niangua	10
26	Seymour	19
32	Hartville	48
34	Fordland	35
20	Norwood	12
49	Gainesville	35
26	Ava	41



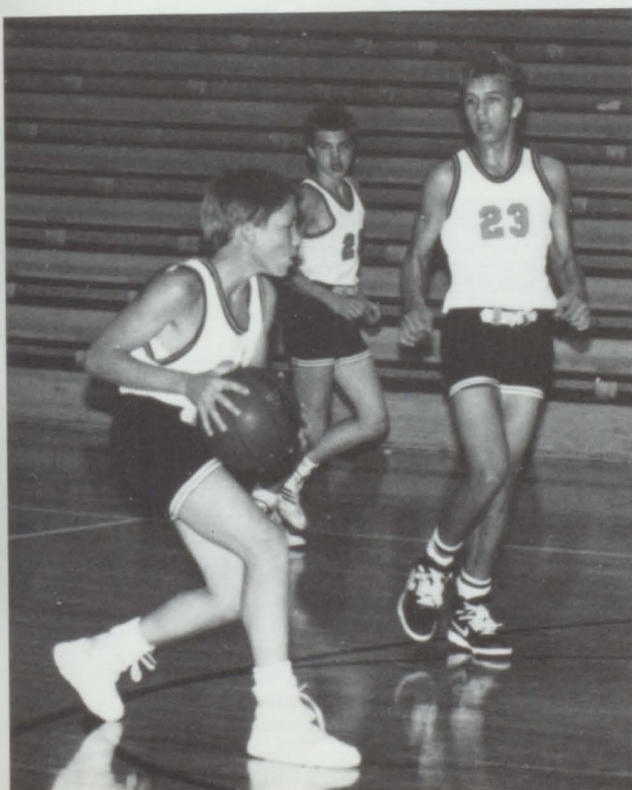
● **JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS'** basketball team. Front - Jodie Edwards, Jacque Lansdown, Aretha Sickles, Sunny Watterson, Serena Walker; Back - Missy Honeycutt, Ashley Miller, Emily Matlock, Stephanie Calhoun, Trisha Perry, Stephanie House.



● **EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL** team. Front - Steven Wilson, Matt Doyle, Jesse Evans, Merle Strohm; Back - Justin Long, Randall Roy, Adam Brooke, Coach Randy Short.



● **SEVENTH GRADE BASKETBALL** team. Front - Jamon Gray, Dustin Lansdown, Jerry Garrison, Matt Gatlin; Back - Joe Garrison, John Greyowl, Chuck Campbell, James Hanger, Tom Moody.



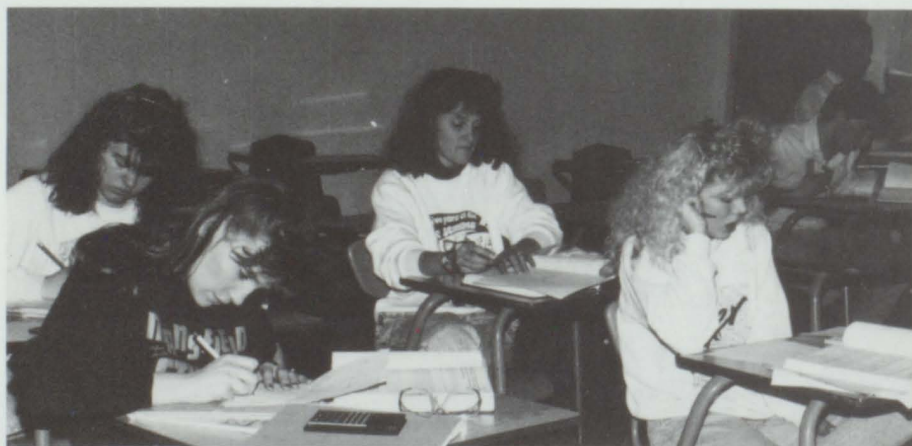
● **SEVENTH GRADERS** Joe Garrison and Chuck Campbell scramble for a loose ball in a game against Gainesville.

● **GETTING IN POSITION** to shoot the ball, eighth grader Merle Strohm picks it up, with teammates Randall Roy and Jesse Evans ready for the next move.



●●● Up close and personal, Tiffany Watterson and Shelly Detherage check out an earthworm prior to its dissection in biology class.

●●● Calculus students Deana Kelley, Audra Suits, Gina Box, and Tracy Light start through a problem, with varying degrees of success.



●●● Sanding carefully until all surfaces are smooth, woods process student Darrel Cornelius works on a cabinet.

●●● Art student Jayme DeChenne puts the finishing touches on a plaster mask of her face.

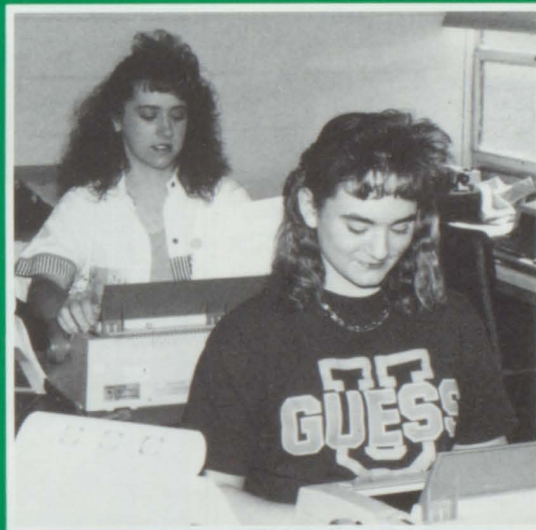


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imply indispensable

And absolutely necessary. For a school to be the best, it has to have a strong academic base, and students who take advantage of what is offered. Studying probably wouldn't make the list of most people's ten most fun activities, but it definitely was an item MHS students took note of. Honor roll achievements increased by as much as a third some quarters, which means lugging around books, writing reports, and cramming for tests were simply indispensable tasks for a growing number of students.

●●● Timed typing exercises keep Tracy Coffman and Julie Jurewicz concentrating on the keyboard.



A C A D E M I C S

Slice and dice daily routine for biology

Scalpel, please!

Students in biology class probably made this request several times, because dissecting was a major assignment for that subject area.

From worms to fish to clams to fetal pigs, the students meticulously sliced and diced their way to a better understanding of internal organs.

However, the task of prodding through the "innards" of small animals wasn't an unusually joyful occasion for the class members.

Junior Robby Maxwell said that cutting up dead worms and clams wasn't everyone's most favorite thing to do.

"Well, if you enjoy picking around the insides of clams or worms then it's entertaining," he said. "I do, but if you don't like it then it's probably not your cup of tea."

Mike Helsley, junior, said that the animals fail to cooperate - their insides are much too complicated.

"It's all right if you can figure out what you're looking for," Helsley said. "But there are too many pieces of things in there."

Helsley also said that dissecting can be a little messy, to say the least.

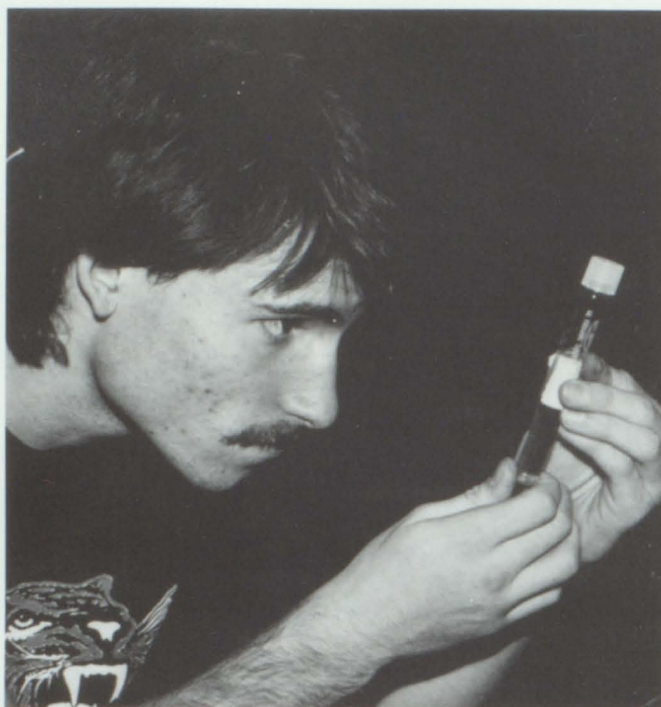
"It's really messy sometimes," he said. "It stinks and when you pick up an animal a lot of times it will squirt juices at you."

According to Brent Napier, a junior, thinking about dissecting is almost as bad as the actual procedure.

"Just the thought of me putting my hands inside a dead animal is disgusting," he said. "But once you get over that part then it just stinks for a while."

BIOLOGY STUDENTS JILL Clouse and Benjie Dennis make the first incision during dissection of a fetal pig.

USING A SAMPLE he collected, Troy Hughes works on a project to compare Mansfield well water contamination.



WITH A CALCULATOR to make the process quicker, Jeff Ladd works on an Algebra II assignment.

MIDDLE, MIKE HUBERTS does some preliminary steps in order to work on his science experiment.



■ **ALGEBRA II STUDENT** Kerrick Lindsey works on a class assignment.

■ **A FISH AND** a sharp knife are about to meet at the hands of biology students Robby Maxwell and Brent Napier.



SANDY DAVIS
(Math)
Extra Duties: Pom
Pon Sponsor, Math
Club Sponsor



MAX GREENE
(Science)
Extra Duties: Grade
Eight Sponsor



RANDY SHORT
(Math)
Extra Duties: Cross
Country and Track
Coach, Junior High
Basketball Coach,
Grade Seven Spon-
sor

NOT SHOWN:
LESLIE SMITH(Science)
Extra Duties: Science
Club Sponsor

BEST *efforts*

CONFERENCE SCIENCE FAIR

Division Winners - Troy Hughes (Best in Show); Julie Jurewicz, Chemistry
Blue Ribbon - Waylon Johnson, Zoology
Red Ribbons - Terry Robinson and Shawn King, Physics;
Mike Huberts, Chemistry
White Ribbon - Brandy Wright, Earth Science

CONFERENCE MATH FAIR

Second - Jeff Long, Trigonometry
Third - John Ragsdale, Trigonometry

S panish class widens chance for learning

Mansfield escuela secundaria Espanol dos.

Translated that means Mansfield High School offers Spanish II.

This was a first in several years for MHS. Taught by language teacher Sheri Dimos, seven seniors advanced their language skills.

"Spanish is good for us because it is one of the most widely spoken languages in the world," senior Deana Kelly said. "It is possible that I might need it sometime to communicate with someone as close as my neighbor."

Seniors had been hearing something similar from college representatives who visited and told soon-to-be graduates what their school was like. These representatives said even if a person lives in America for the rest of his life, he will need a second language. Colleges often recommend Spanish, and most also ask their applicants to have taken at least two years of a foreign language.

There were also other practical reasons to learn Spanish.

"I'm planning on moving into a state where there are a lot of Spanish-speaking people," senior Lesa Turner said.

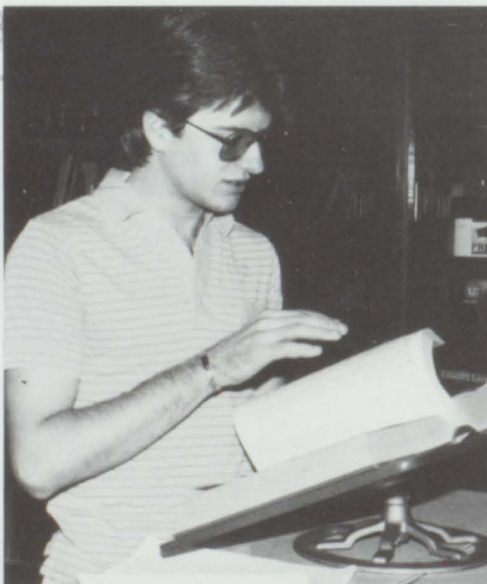
Since Spanish II is a weighted class and students receive extra grade points for taking it, it is obviously considered to be difficult. But not all students have trouble learning the language.

"It's not really that hard," Turner said. "You just have to study."

Being in class every day was important, because new words would be missed. Scott Dunsmuir, senior, said if he missed part of class for a cross country meet or something else, he got behind, and he had to study more.

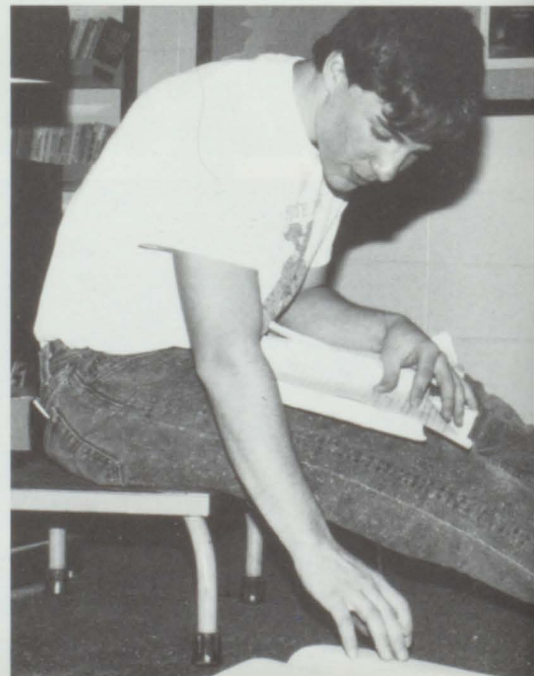
■ **DOWN TO BUSINESS** on the library floor, David Wilson and Jim Freeman work on term papers for English IV.

■ **SCOTT DUNSMUIR LOOKS** for the right book in the library card catalog.



■ **ENGLISH IV STUDENT** Jeff Long uses the giant-sized dictionary in the library.

■ **TERM PAPER RESEARCH** gets Lance Adamson ready for serious library work.



■ **DRAWING CAREFULLY, AUDRA**
Suits completes a yearbook layout in
publications class.



**VICKI
BLANKENSHIP**
(English)
Extra Duties: Lan-
guage Club Sponsor,
Grade Seven Spon-
sor



SHERI DIMOS
(English)
Extra Duties: Cheer-
leader Sponsor, Pep
Club Sponsor



KAY GOSS
(Librarian)
Extra Duties: Junior
Class Sponsor



**DEBBIE VON
BEHREN**
(English/Journalism)
Extra Duties: News-
paper and Yearbook
Adviser, Junior Class
Sponsor

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OZARKS PUBLICATIONS ADVISERS JOURNALISM CONTEST

Firsts - Gary Greene, News Story; Gina Box, Yearbook Theme Copy; Heather Krider, Jim Freeman, Deana Kelley, Audra Suits, Deidra Barnett, Timmarie Hamilton, Box, Greene, Newspaper In-Depth; Gina Box, Write-Off Feature Story; Deana Kelley, Write-Off Yearbook layout.

Seconds - Box, Feature Story; Hamilton, Yearbook Layout; Benjie Dennis, Yearbook Club Copy.

Thirds - Marc Brazeal, Yearbook Club Copy; Kris Gray, Yearbook Sports Copy.

Honorable Mention - Barnett, Yearbook Cover and Theme Design; Freeman, Write-Off Sports Writing.

MISSOURI INTERSCHOLASTIC PRESS ASSOCIATION STATE JOURNALISM CONTEST

Firsts - Gina Box, Editorial, Yearbook Theme Copy; Gary Greene, Feature Story, News Story; Benjie Dennis, Club Copy; Deana Kelley, Yearbook Layout; Kris Gray, Sports Copy; Marc Brazeal, Student Life Copy; Box, Greene, Kelley, Deidra Barnett, Audra Suits, Jim Freeman, Timmarie Hamilton, Heather Krider, Newspaper In-Depth.

Seconds - Freeman, Sports Story, Sports Feature; Glen Evans, Club Copy; Suits, Yearbook Layout; Krider, Portrait Section Copy; Barnett Sports Photo, Thematic Presentation; Box, Student Life Copy; Krider, Greene, Tracy Light, Box, Kelley, Freeman, Barnett, Hamilton, Suits, Newspaper In-Depth.

Thirds - Greene, Sports Copy; Box, Newspaper Column.

Honorable Mention - Hamilton, Yearbook Layout; Light, Student Life Copy; Krider, Light, Hamilton, Barnett, Greene, Box, Jayne DeChenne, Freeman, Suits, Kelley, Newspaper In-Depth.

CONFERENCE ENGLISH CONTEST

Firsts - Tiffany Watterson, John Ragsdale, Composition;
Seconds - Tracy Light, Shelby Hesterly, Spelling; Stacey Arnall, Grammar; Tish Goss, Vocabulary; Don Hanger, Composition;

■ **YEARBOOK STAFF MEMBERS** Kris Gray and Marc Brazeal proofread copy for the Homecoming page, above.

■ **ENGLISH I STUDENTS** Kevin Jones, Tawna Watterson, Jon Freeman, Jeremy Jones, and Jared Jones read the play "Trifles" to the rest of the class, middle.

C

lasses change to match changing times

You've come a long way, baby.

Girls' physical education class has changed a great deal since the days when running laps and doing exercises took up the entire class time.

Now the class included units on golf, tennis, badminton, volleyball, and dancing.

"We started out with aerobic dance, then we went to folk, square, and then the ballroom dance, including the waltz, cha cha, and modern dance," said gym teacher Becky Gregory. "Anymore, rhythms are a requirement. Besides, most girls are tired of just basic sports and want to go on."

Freshman Jeri Moody was an example of that attitude.

"I really loved the dancing because of the movements," she said. "I was better at it than most other sports, and it's easier than basketball."

It seemed that everyone in the class had a favorite unit.

"Golf was kind of fun," said sophomore Anjeanette Kjar. "We got to go outside, and it was a pretty easy sport to pick up."

Another outside activity was the favorite of freshman Carrie Gray.

"I really liked tennis" she said. "We got to go over to the tennis courts and practice, and it's actually a sport we can use someday."

Freshman Michelle Moody enjoyed helping smaller children learn a new skill.

"We went over to the elementary and tried to teach the little kids how to tinickle," she said. "That was a challenge in itself, but when they started learning a little it was more fun."

■ **FRESHMAN DOUG WALKER** and Shannon Page do jumping jacks during physical education class.



■ **MARY ANN GATLIN** works on her tennis swing on a rainy day that keeps physical education students inside.

■ **CHRIS FARRIS, BRYAN Cannon,** and Kevin Jones spot Robert Miller during a weight-lifting session.

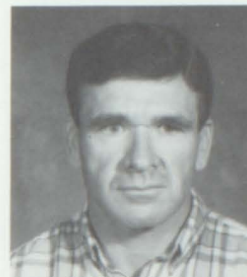


■ **BUMPING THE VOLLEYBALL** correctly is a skill Stacy Frantz works on in physical education class.

■ **DRIVER'S ED STUDENTS** Chris Dunn, Floyd Hutson, and Terry Robinson check out the car they will be driving with instructor Butch Burch.



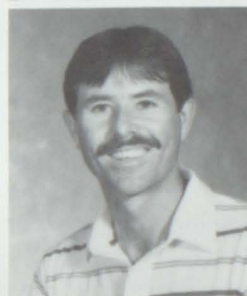
JERRY ARMSTRONG
(Physical Education)
Extra Duties: Athletic Director, Boys' Basketball Coach



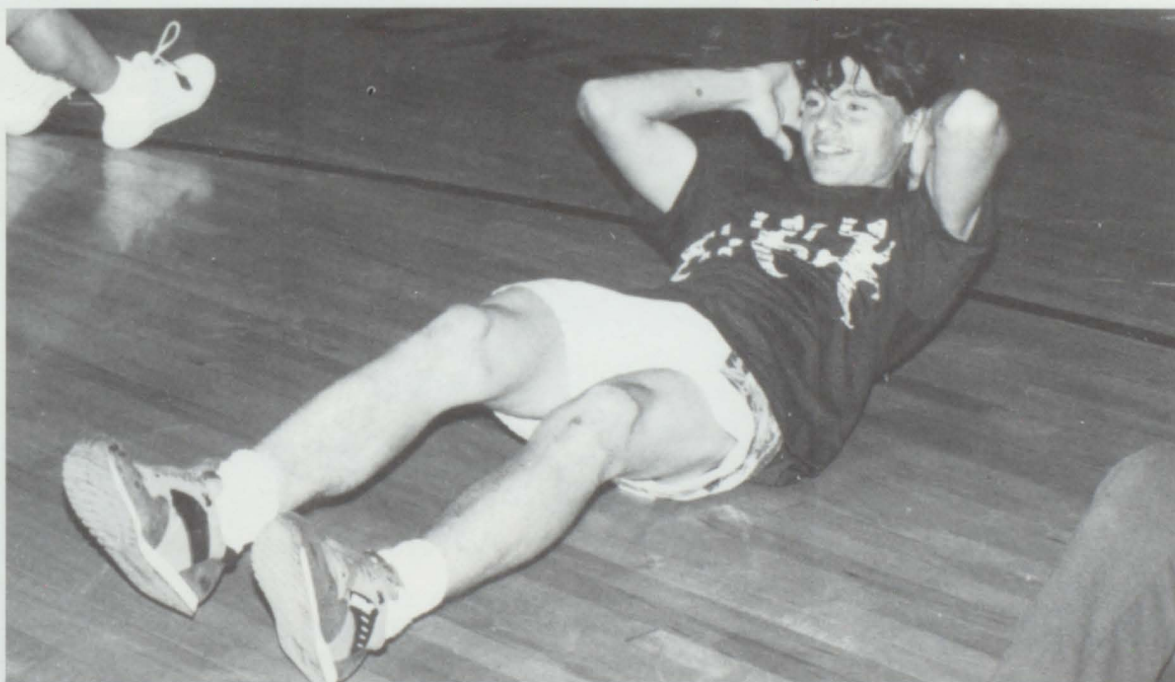
BUTCH BURCH
(Health/Driver's Ed.)
Extra Duties: Girls' Basketball Coach, Assistant Baseball Coach



BECKY GREGORY
(Physical Education)
Extra Duties: Pep Club Sponsor, Assistant Track Coach, Sophomore Sponsor



DOUG JONES
(Science/Phys. Ed.)
Extra Duties: Baseball Coach, Assistant Basketball Coach



■ **SIT UPS ARE** part of the routine for physical education student Robert Miller

Putting pig together takes lots of muscle

Twenty yards of chicken wire and a lot of sweat.

According to Heather Krider, senior, these are the main ingredients for the huge paper maché personalities that lurked in the art room.

"It took lots of newspaper to stuff my pig," Krider said of her 5-foot long black, white, and pink creation. "Then I had to paper maché the outside and paint it and make all of the details on it. The hardest part was making the chicken wire bend."

Waylon Johnson, junior, made a huge paper maché dragon in his 3-D art class.

"It was fun making the dragon because I'm interested in mystical things like that," Johnson said. "Now that art fair is over I will probably put it in my room."

And if those creatures weren't enough to scare the faint-hearted, visitors could take a look at the "cow-mobile" hanging in the corner of the art room.

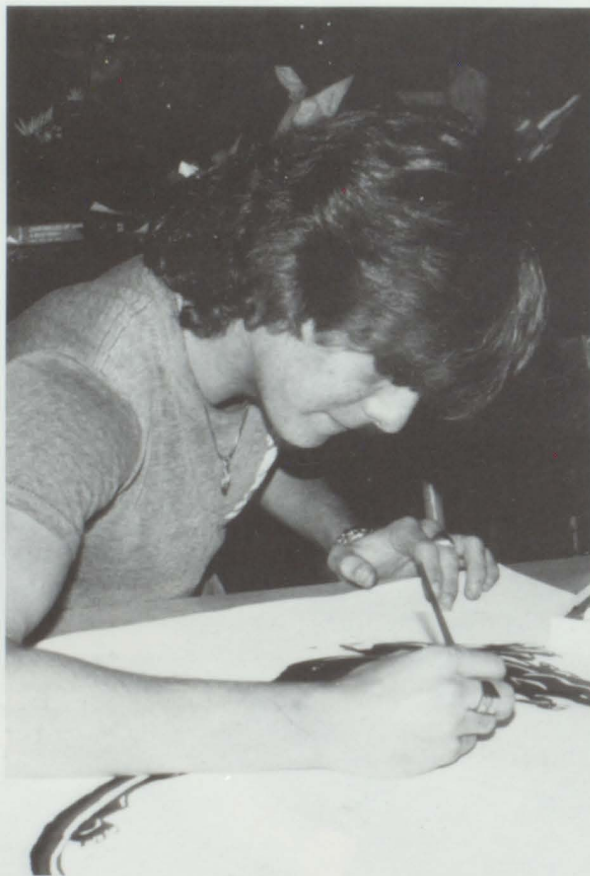
It consisted of a set of dried cow bones, hung together as a mobile, and left people wondering whether it was a deep statement on society today, or just a quick attempt to get a grade in art.

Living with these oddities day in and day out might damage the personalities of some, but teacher Judy Middleton enjoyed the challenge of different art forms.

"I show a lot of examples," Middleton said. "I try to expose my students to different works of art that might motivate them."

POUNDS OF PAPER mache pig resting on the floor, Heather Krider touches up the black and white paint job.

CHOIR STUDENTS DAVID Wilson, Brent Coffman, Jon Freeman, Shane Potts, and Tina Gage rehearse for music contest.



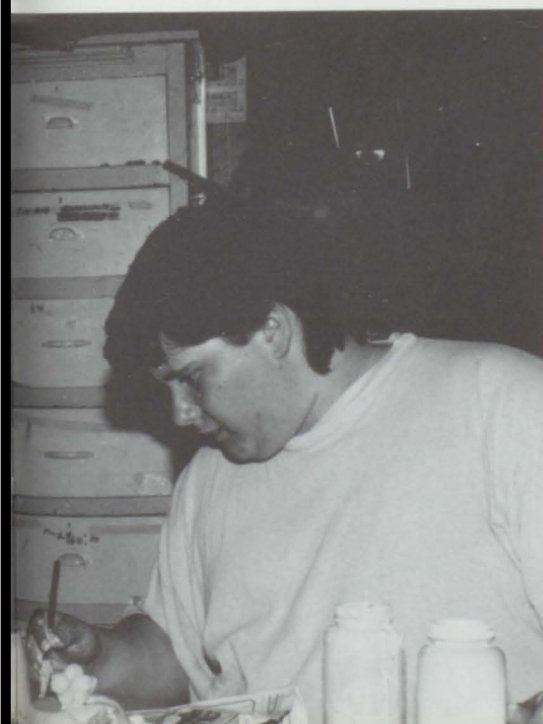
DRAWING CAREFULLY WITH pen and ink, Chuck Hickle works on an art project

A POTTERY PROJECT gets close attention from painter Jared Jones and observer Mike Huberts.





CAREFULLY SCRAPING WITH an exacto knife, Robert Miller works on a ceramics pyramid in art class.



ABOVE, BECKY FRY puts the finishing touches on a portrait done in pencil.

MIDDLE, SOPHIA GREYOWL and Tim Logan blast away on their trumpets during a morning band rehearsal.



CINDY MARTIN
(Art)



JUDY MIDDLETON
(Art)
Extra Duties:
ESP (Education
Supports Prevention)
Sponsor



LISA MYERS
(Instrumental Music)



ERIC SPYRES
(Vocal Music)
Extra Duties:
Senior Class Spon-
sor

BEST *efforts*

DISTRICT MUSIC CONTEST

One Rating - Matt Moody, Vocal Solo
Two Ratings - Evan Kinser, Trumpet Solo; Angela Lansdown, Piano Solo; Concert Band; Concert Choir; David Wilson, Vocal Solo; Darrel Cornelius, Vocal Solo; Carrie Gray, Vocal Solo; MaryAnn Gatlin, Vocal Solo; Andria Turner, Vocal Solo.

Three Ratings - Girls Sextet (Deidra Barnett, Tish Goss, Kim Mills, Turner, Gray, Gatlin); Moody, Trumpet Solo; Trumpet Trio (Moody, Steven Garrison, Kinser); Brass Sextet (Garrison, Moody, Sophia Greyowl, Shelby Hesterly, John Ragsdale, Matt Brown).

ART FAIR '90

Second high overall - Deidra Barnett
Firsts - Darren Campie, Tempra; Barnett, Black and White Photo; Randy Taylor, Special Art; Taylor, Pottery; Bryon Ivy, Video Production; Heather Krider, Pencil Figure; Karrie Durham, Pencil Portrait; Kristin Calhoun, Colored Pencil; Barnett, Collage; Bob Perrin, Prints; Taylor, Black and White Design.

Seconds - Calhoun, Sculpture; Bob Miller, Mobile Sculpture; Barnett, Tempra; David Wilson, Black and White Photo; Casey Stout, Special Art; Krider, Poster; Shelly Detherage, Pencil Portrait; Kathline Kuhn, Black and White Design; Thirds - Andria Turner, Black and White Photo; Mark Doan, Special Art; Barnett, Fashion; Barnett, pencil Figure; Fourths - Krider, Sculpture; Krider, Charcoal; Barnett, Perspective.

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awing just the start wood projects

Sanding, sawing, painting, and polishing. Woods class was always a busy place to be.

A class of 21 busily working students made up the woods processing class, which met for two hours each day. Projects ranged from end tables to baby cradles to water beds to home entertainment centers.

"I had to work hard on my table, but I got a lot of enjoyment out of seeing the end product," said senior Ron Felker.

Felker built a end table which received a one rating at the conference fair.

"The hard part was making the legs on the wood lathe," Felker said. "It takes a lot of time and patience to make anything out of wood."

Woods class, taught by Bill Ghan, was a popular place.

"I liked the class because you do most of the work on your own," said senior Bruce Keith. "If you get in and work hard you can finish a nice project."

A coffee table is the product of Jim Shropshire's labor.

"It's a lot of work to me, because it's difficult to finish a hard project when you only have two hours a day to work on it," Shropshire said.

At the start, a completed project seemed impossible.

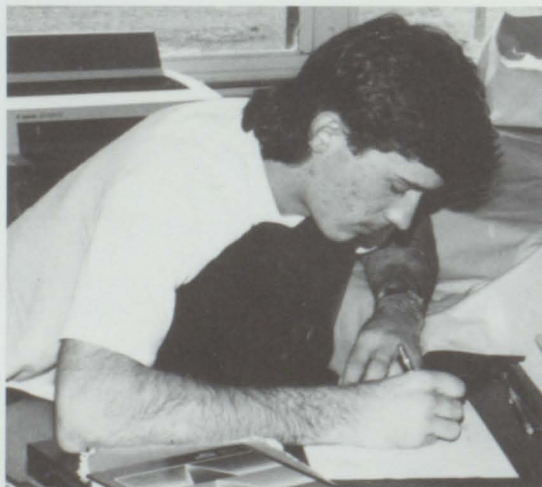
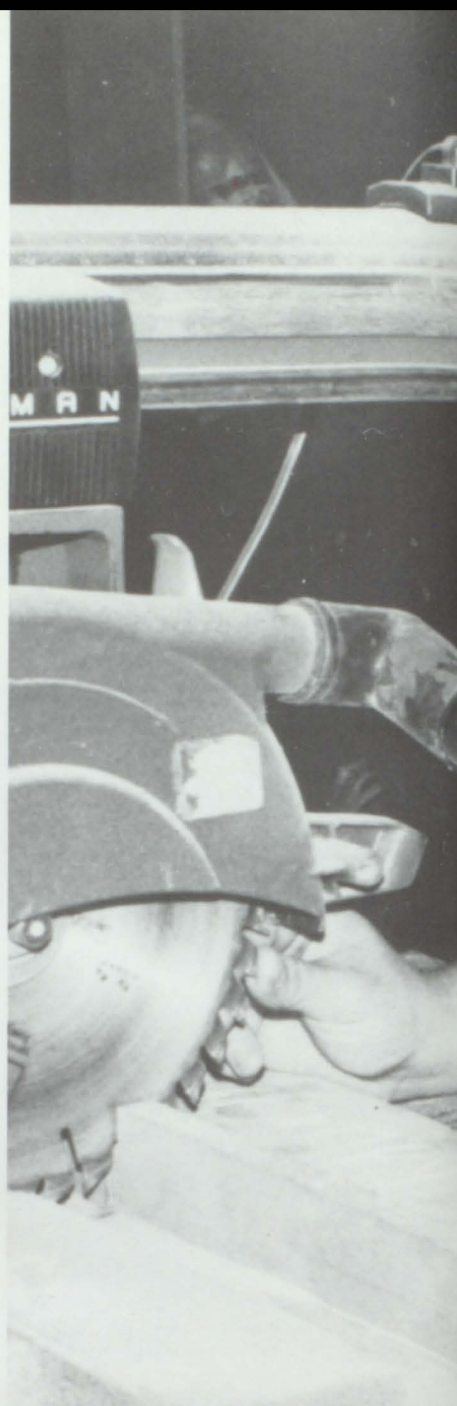
"I never thought I would have a nice coffee table finished when I looked at the rough, unsanded boards I started with," Shropshire said.

Some students have larger projects to complete. Senior Jim Farmer made a home entertainment center which measured five by eight feet.

"It really didn't seem like work to me, because I enjoy working with wood," said Farmer. "It wasn't my project in the first place, but I'll appreciate the end product."

■ USING A CROSSCUT saw, Shawn Moss does some preliminary work on his woods process project.

■ CLINT THOMPSON SANDS away all the rough areas of his shark sculpture in woods class.



■ ACCOUNTING II STUDENT Eric Honeycutt does a balancing act with a workbook assignment.





FOODS STUDENT KRISTY Burnett checks out a hot, bubbling pan of lasagna her group just prepared.

INGREDIENTS FOR LASAGNE and salad unloaded, foods students Susan Jones and Leslie Long get organized before cooking.



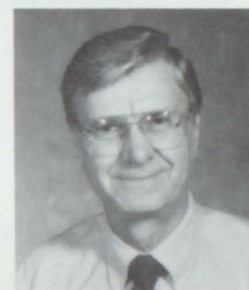
KATHY BARNETT
(Home Economics)
Extra Duties: Future Homemakers of America Sponsor



MARY BOYDSTON
(Business)
Extra Duties: Future Business Leaders of America Sponsor



GENE CRAVENS
(Agriculture)
Extra Duties: Future Farmers of America Sponsor



BILL GHAN
(Industrial Arts)
Extra Duties: Freshman Sponsor

BEST *efforts*

CONFERENCE INDUSTRIAL ARTS CONTEST

Division Winners - Jim Farmer, Best in Metals: Merle Strohm, Junior High Best in Show.

One Ratings - Ron Felker, David Severs, Kathline Kuhn, Marty Henry, Stephen Cantrell, Bruce Keith, Farmer, Mark Brown, Strohm.

Two Ratings - Scott Storms, Keith, Chuck Campbell, Jimmy Shropshire, Matt Calhoun, Eddie Doan, Floyd Hutson, Doug Coffman, Malcolm Gaddis, Chuck Hickie, Mike Keys, Bobby Clanton, Felker, Dena Munden, Catherine Kuhn, Tommy Kingery, Shane Potts, Clay Thompson, Roger Brandenberger, Robert Elliot, Severs.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS CONTEST

Seconds - John Ragsdale, Accounting;

Thirds - Tiffany Watterson, Accounting; Tracy Light, Typing II Production.

DISTRICT FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA CONTEST

Firsts - Tiffany Watterson, Accounting I; Kerrick Lindsey, Business Math; Lindsey, Computer Concepts; Jeff Long, Accounting II;

Seconds - Waylon Johnson, Accounting I; Tracy Light, Keyboarding Applications;

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA CONTEST

Three Star Ratings - Gina Box, Lori Durham, Little Friends; Christi Evans, Barry Short, James Barnett, All Star Chapter; Shawnya Matney, Job Interview.

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA CONTEST

Group II Ratings - Lance Adamson, Lane Adamson, Matt Brown, Scott Smith, Dairy Judging; Kevin Hall, Tim Logan, Eric Lansdown, George Crisp, Livestock Judging; Jimmy Shropshire, Scott Hall, Shane Potts, Darren Campie, Soils Judging.

Battle scenes help students see history

To find out what Play-doh, rocks and term papers have in common, you have to take American History.

Teacher Roger Wood always tries to find a way to make the class more interesting.

The students were assigned a project to illustrate a Civil War battle by using all of the natural resources available to them. Eventually, the history room was littered with dozens of boxes containing tiny trees, soldiers, cannons, and mountains.

"I walked miles looking for good twigs and sand for my project," said sophomore Angela Kingery.

Others just grabbed some old Play-doh out of their closet.

"I used some Play-doh that had been in my room forever," said Frank Jones, sophomore. "It worked pretty good, too."

Some liked doing the projects because it made history more enjoyable.

"The projects make the class more fun," said sophomore Tish Goss, who designed her battle scene to resemble the Battle of Bull Run. "It helped me get more interested in American History."

Wood is a firm believer that his students learn more when they are doing special activities.

"I assigned the projects because the students seem to understand better with hands-on learning," he said.

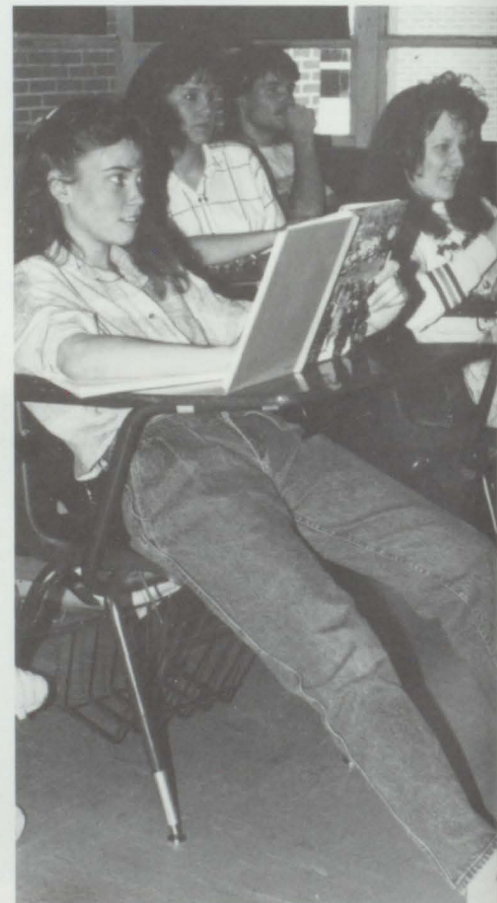
Term papers are the other big assignments for the class, and although they are often dreaded, they also help the students understand.

"I received a lot better knowledge about the development of the atomic bomb," said sophomore Don Hanger, who used four sources to write his five-page research paper. "I went into more detail with it since it was worth so many points."

■ **MAKING SOME LAST** minute adjustments, Christy Barber and Carolyn Mills fix their Civil War battle replicas.



■ **CHRISTY BARBER, TAWNA** Watterson, Darrel Cornelius, and Amy Compton (both with backs to camera) work on a small group project in American history.



■ **SOCIOLOGY STUDENTS CHRISTY** Evans, Audra Suits, Troy Hughes, and Vickie Franks listen to a class lecture.



MARY BLAKEY
(Orthopedically Handi-
capped)
**GEORGIANNE
BROWN**
(Special Education)
Extra Duties: Special
Olympics Sponsor
DALLAS CHAMBERS
(Remedial Math)



LORI FELTON
(Speech Therapist)
OKEMA HADEN
(Counselor)
Extra Duties: National
Honor Society Advis-
er
HELEN LAWRENCE
(Remedial Reading)



RALENE MABERRY
(Remedial Reading/
Math)
JIM REAVES (Social
Studies)
Extra Duties: Grade
Eight Sponsor
JANE SHIRLEY (Hear-
ing Impaired)



KATHY SHORT
(Parents as Teachers)
ROGER WOOD
(Social Studies)
Extra Duties; Senior
Class Sponsor, Vol-
leyball Coach, Soft-
ball Coach
**STEPHANEE
MENZIE**
(Special Education)
Extra Duties: Special
Olympics Sponsor



■ **DIVIDED UP INTO** small groups,
American history students concentrate
on the Civil War.

■ **AMERICAN HISTORY STUDENT**
Shawnya Matney puts the finishing
touches on her replica of a Civil War bat-
tle, a class project.

Female trend of leadership finds Mansfield

Two women made history at Mansfield schools.

Only the second and third female administrators at Mansfield in 30 years, former elementary teachers Dorothy Wallace and Jean Coday assumed new responsibilities.

Coday became the new elementary principal, while Wallace was named director of special education in addition to her teaching duties.

"I am director of special education of grades K through 12 the first half of the day," Wallace said. "The other half I teach elementary learning disabilities."

Along with a new job there were new responsibilities.

"I am responsible for seeing that all handicapped children get an appropriate education," Wallace said.

Coday started out in the Mansfield school system as an elementary teacher in the first and second grades, and was elementary counselor for the past two years.

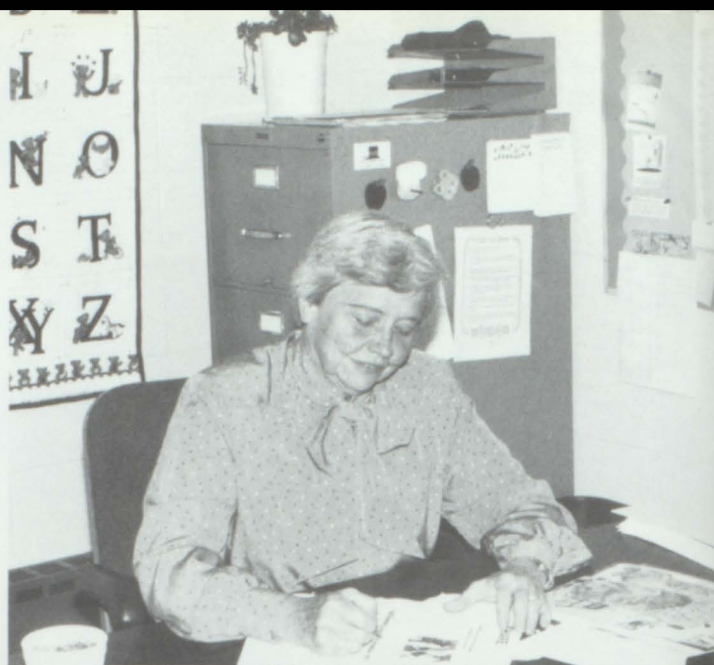
"Being a teacher, you are like a counselor and a teacher, and I felt stronger in counseling. It came more natural to me," Coday said. "Now as a principal not only do I help and counsel the children, I am also here for the teachers."

Superintendent of Schools Robert Perry said Coday "brings a fresh viewpoint to different situations."

"I think it is wonderful having a female administrator," Perry said.

While many changes were made in elementary education, junior high and high school principals Merlin Miller and Frank Rowles completed their second year at their respective positions.

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ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL JEAN

Coday works at her desk at Laura Ingalls Wilder Elementary.

Charles Ballangee (Bus Driver)
Bill Bennett (Custodian)
Janet Brooke (Aide)
Connie Calhoun (Cook)



Cleo Chambers (Secretary)
Donnie Dennis (Custodian)
Harold Dennis (Custodian)
Pat Dennis (Cook)



Joyce Detherage (Aide)
Claude Dale (Bus Driver)
Lester Davis (Bus Driver)
Helen Euler (Librarian)



Calvin Freeman (Custodian)
Don Hanger (Bus Driver)
Patty Hanger (Aide)
Jean Helsley (Cook)



Barbara Jackson (Cook)
Cheryl Keith (Cook)
Lana Kirkland (Secretary)
Kay Lansdown (Cook)



Debbie Letsinger (Secretary)
Melanie Light (Cook)
Jim Lund (Bus Supervisor)
Janice McNeil (Secretary)



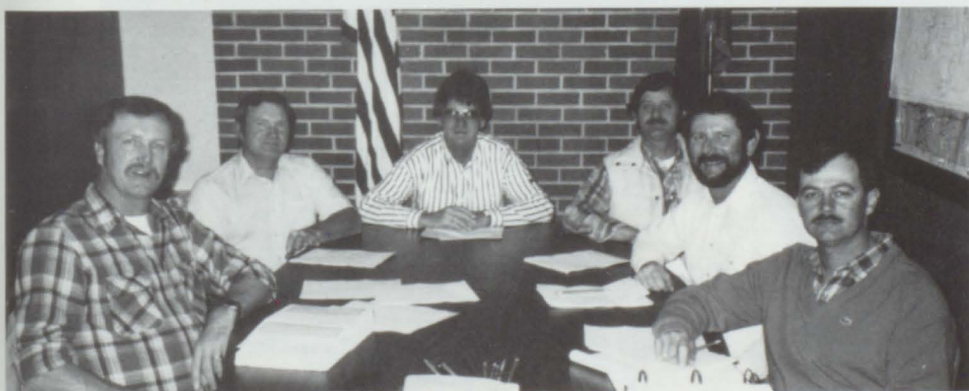
Margaret Moody (Aide)
Terry Robinson (Bus Driver)
Ronnie Roy (Custodian)
Robert Weddle (Bus Driver)





■ **HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL** Frank Rowles, right, discusses a school situation with teacher Max Greene.

■ **SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS** Robert Perry helps out the Senior Class by playing their softball toss game at the town's Wilder Day celebration.



■ **SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS** Gary Hanger, Dale Keith, Curt Calhoun, Larry Kingery, Larry Hesterly, Larry Anderson.



■ **JEAN CODAY**
(Elementary Principal)



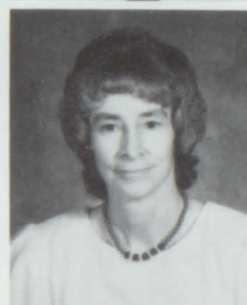
■ **MERLIN MILLER**
(Junior High Principal)



■ **ROBERT PERRY**
(Superintendent)



■ **FRANK ROWLES**
(High School Principal)



■ **DOROTHY WALLACE**
(Special Education Director)



●●●● Seventy plus degrees in early February is reason enough to spend lunch time outside for Chris Dunn, Brian Williams, Ben Choate, Scott Cantrell, Clint Berry, Paul Clark, and Frank Jones.

●●●● Newly delivered basketball team photos are checked out by Barry Short, Ron Felker, Gary Greene, Jim Freeman, and Christi Evans.



●●●● Huddled against a wall for warmth, Aaron Proffitt and James Barnett portray shepherds during a live Nativity held on a freezing day at the Mansfield square.



●●● Audra Suits, Timmarie Hamilton, Deana Kelley, and Tracy Light go through a list of vocabulary words before an English IV test.



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imply remarkable

Getting noticed in a crowd is a mission almost every high school student accepts, even if it seems impossible at times. Having hair "glued" to the biggest possible size, wearing the latest greatest styles, saying the current "in" phrases at the appropriate times, and pumpin' up the jam via cassette or CD are mandatory. If you can forget the fact that in 20 years all of this will seem less than serious, and will probably even be hilarious, well, that's simply remarkable.



●●● A helium-filled balloon complete with "arms and legs" makes Valentine's Day memorable for Angie Miller.



P E O P L E

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LANCE ADAMSON

Math Club 3; Pep Club 1,2,3; FFA 1,2,3,4; and officer 3,4; FBLA 4; Junior Olympics Team 3; Basketball 1,2,3; Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Industrial Arts Fair 2; Art Fair 1,2,3,4; ESP 3,4.

LANE ADAMSON

Math Club 2,3,4; Science Club 2,3,4; Language Club 3; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; FFA 4; and officer 2,3,4; NHS 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Science Fair 2; Industrial Arts Fair 1; Art Fair 1; ESP 3,4;

DEIDRA BARNETT

Math Club 2,3,4; Science Club 2,3; Language Club 2,3,4; and officer 3; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; and officer 4; FHA 1,2,3,4; and officer 2,3,4; NHS 2,3,4; and officer 4; FBLA 2,3,4; and officer 3,4; Student Council 1,3; and officer 3; Publications Staff 3,4; and editor 3,4; Band 1; Choir 4; Class Officer 1,4; Cheerleader 1,2,3; Junior Olympics Team 1,2; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1; and manager 2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Science Fair; Industrial Arts Fair 2; Business Contest 2,3; Art Fair 4; Star Events 1; Journalism Contest 3,4; Music Contest 1,4; FBLA Contest 2,3; ESP 3,4; Girls State 3; Citizen Bee Team 3; Volleyball All-Conference Team Honorable Mention 4; FHA National Officer.

GINA BOX

Math Club 2,3,4; and officer 4; Science Club 2,3,4; Language Club 3,4; and officer 3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; and officer 2,3,4; NHS 2,3,4; and officer 4; FBLA 2,3,4; and officer 4; Student Council 1; Publications Staff 3,4; and editor 3,4; Band 1,2; Class Officer 1; Cheerleader 1,2,3; Junior Olympics Team 1,2,3; Track 1; Barnwarming Queen Candidate 1; Miss Mansfield runner-up 4; Science Fair 2; Math Contest 1; English Contest 2,3,4; Business Contest 2,3; Art Fair 4; Star Events 1,2,3,4; Journalism Contest 3,4; Music Contest 1,2; FBLA Contest 2,3; ESP 3.

DAVID BRUMLEY

FFA 1,2,3,4.

MATT CALHOUN

Science Club 2; FHA 3,4; FFA 1,2,3; NHS 3,4; Choir 1,2,3; Junior Olympics Team 1,2,3; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Science Fair 2; Industrial Arts Fair 1; Music Contest 2,3.

DARREN CAMPIE

FFA 1,2,3,4; and officer 3,4; Basketball 1; Cross Country 1; Art Fair 1,2,3,4.

SHELLY CLANTON

Pep Club 1,2; FHA 1,2,3,4; FFA 4; Choir 3,4; Softball 2; Carnival Queen Candidate 3; Industrial Arts Fair 3; Music Contest 3,4; ESP 3,4.

BRENT COFFMAN

FFA 1,2,3,4; and officer 2,3; Choir 4; Track 1,2; VICA 3,4; and officer 4.

DARREL CORNELIUS

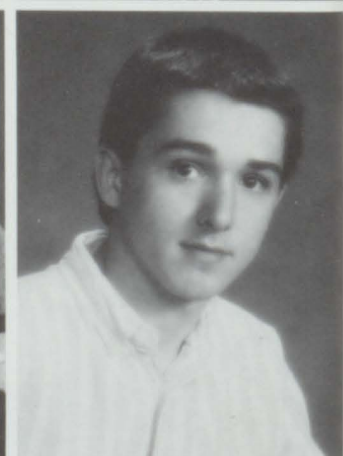
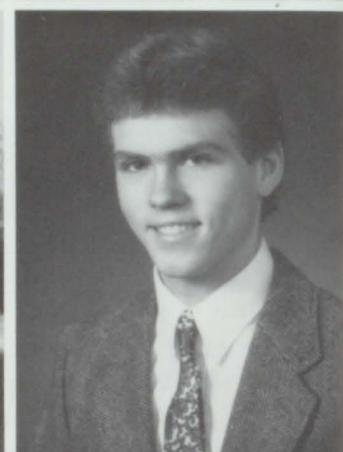
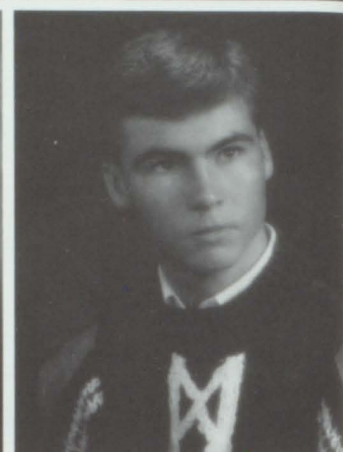
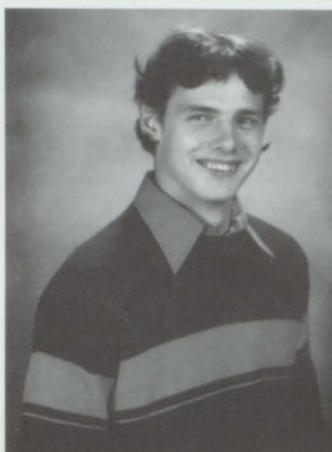
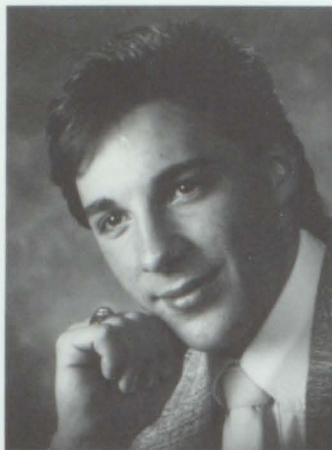
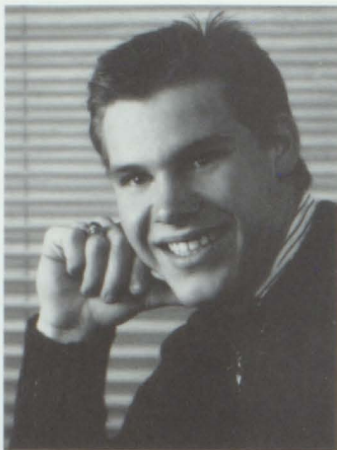
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JAYME DECHENNE

Math Club 3; Science Club 2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; FBLA 2,3; Choir 3; Cheerleader 3; Track 1,2,3; Miss Mansfield 2; Science Fair 2; Art Fair 4; Journalism Contest 4; ESP 3,4.

SCOTT DUNSMUIR

Math Club 2,3,4; Science Club 2,3; FHA 4; NHS 2,3,4; Band 1; Choir 2; Cross Country 3,4; Track 2,3,4; Barnwarming King 4; Science Fair 2,3; Math Contest 4; English Contest 1,2; Music Contest 1,2.



Senioritis can be easily identified

"You show up to a 'seniors only' class and you're the only one there." — **Deidra Barnett**

"When someone mentions the word school and your head starts to spin." — **Kim Mills**

"You skip class even if it could cause you to be suspended from a ballgame." — **Matt Calhoun**

"Everything you do becomes more important than school and you just don't care." — **Gary Greene**

"You only come to school two days a week out of five." — **Deana Kelley**

"You never ever come to school and when you do, you don't do anything." — **Jim Freeman**

"You start flunking tests." — **Lane Adamson**

"Your homework looks done before you ever start it." — **Eric Honeycutt**

"All you do is pick on the lower classmen, and boss them around." — **Dena Munden**

"You enjoy coming to school." — **Darrel Cornelius**

"You talk back to the teachers you don't like." — **Jeff Long**

"It feels like the walls are closing in." — **Bekk Fry**

"You don't want to do anything because you know graduation is right around the corner." — **Andria Turner**

"All you think about is getting into trouble." — **Catherine Kuhn**

"You are absent more than you show up for school." — **Scott Dunsmuir**

"When you don't show up for school half the time and the other half is spent making up tests that you didn't even bother studying for." — **Timmarie Hamilton**



DOUBLES!

"Having a twin is great! If you get into trouble you can always blame it on your brother." — **Lane Adamson**

"It's true! She always gets in trouble and it gets blamed on me." — **Cathrine Kuhn**



TWINS LANCE AND Lane Adamson, Kathline and Cathrine Kuhn.

Take my money, take my picture

"One of the things we looked forward to at Prom was the chance to have our picture made together. About ten of us girls squashed together and smiled for the camera." — **Tracy Light**



SENIORS TRACY LIGHT, Lori Durham, Gina Box, and Deana Kelley line up to pay for Prom pictures. So many groups wanted photos made that Prom ran 25 minutes over so that pictures could be made.

Vo-tech snares seniors

"The reason I chose to attend vo-tech classes at Mtn. Grove was because I don't want to be a shade tree mechanic - one who isn't certified. I'll probably go into a career using the auto mechanics and I want to know what I'm doing."

— Brent Coffman



SENIORS TONY ELLIOTT, Everett Merritt, Jenifer Wallin, and Brent Coffman spend some time catching up on the latest news while they wait for the bus to take them to vo-tech classes in Mtn. Grove.

Seniors find trouble easily

"Staying at Matt Calhoun's house after lunch to watch Missouri get beat in the NCAA tourney my freshman year. We were about 20 minutes late for fifth hour and got lunch detention the next day." — **Jim Freeman**

"Skipping school my senior year to go to Pizza Hut with Heather Krider, Karrie Durham, Deana Kelley, Gina Box, Tracy Light, Timmarie Hamilton, and Audra Suits. We got griped at by all the teachers," — **Kim Mills**

"Driving like a maniac." — **Brent Coffman**

"Forging a note to get out of English to go to art." — **Darren Campie**

"Changing a 'D' to an 'A' in the fifth grade." — **Jenifer Wallin**

"All of my friends were initiating a sophomore and I just happened to be in the bathroom and got sent to the office, too." — **Deidra Barnett**

"Getting in a fight with Marty Henry in the seventh grade." — **Darrel Cornelius**

"Bringing a snake to school from a field trip to the Glade Top Trail," — **Lane Adamson**

"Possession of aspirin my freshman year." — **Bekk Fry**

"Skipping school and having to sit in detention for three days." — **Misty Cantrell**

"Signing out to leave school without a note." — **Audra Suits**

"When I was in elementary me and Lisa Hurst pretended we were both sick. We thought we would get to go home together and play, but we went home separately and got yelled at." — **Tracy Light**

"Too many tardies." — **Jeff Long**

"Paying Shane Potts to beat up Kevin Ollar because his team beat ours in a game of basketball and he rubbed it in. Shane did it and me and Jimmy Freeman got in trouble for it." — **Gary Greene**

Sewing not just for girls only



"I don't care what anyone says, I think sewing is fun. I like to make my own weird shorts. Some people think that it is feminine to sew, but it's just one of the skills you need to know when you are out on your own." — **Darrel Cornelius**

AT THE SEWING machine, Darrel Cornelius uses brightly-colored material to make a pair of shorts to wear during the summer. He acquired the skill in a home economics course.

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KARRIE DURHAM

Science Club 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3; FBLA 2; Pom Pon 2, Cheerleader 1; Junior Olympics Team 1,2,3; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3; Carnival Queen Candidate 4; Homecoming Queen Candidate 4; Homecoming Princess 2; Science Fair 1; Art Fair 1,2,3,4; ESP 3, Prom Queen 4.

LORI DURHAM

Math Club 2,3; and officer 3; Science Club 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; and officer 3,4; FFA 3; NHS 3,4; FBLA 1,4; Student Council 4; Class Officer 3,4; Track 1; Carnival Queen Candidate 2; Barnwarming Queen Candidate 3; Homecoming Princess 1; Yearbook Queen Candidate 3; Science Fair 2; Art Fair 3; Star Events 3,4; ESP 3,4; Language Club 3,4; and officer 4.

ROBERT ELLIOTT

FFA 3; Student Curriculum 2; Junior Olympics Team 1,2,3; Basketball 1; Cross Country 1; Track 1,2; Carnival King Candidate 4; Yearbook King Candidate 1; Science Fair 2; Industrial Arts Fair 1,2,3,4.

TONY ELLIOTT

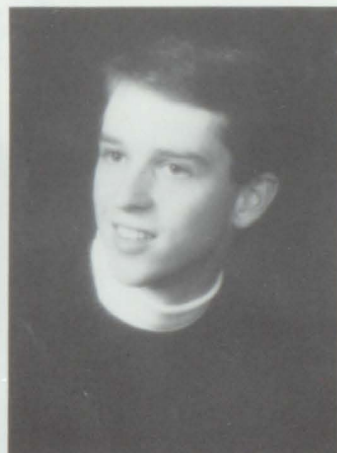
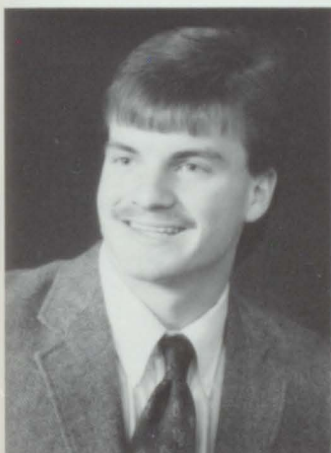
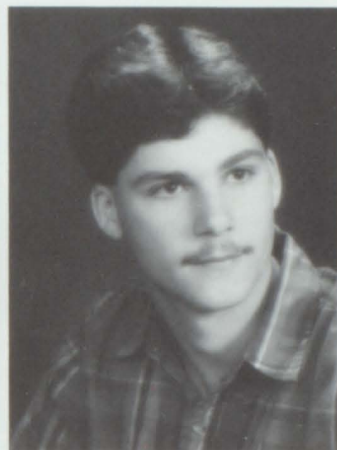
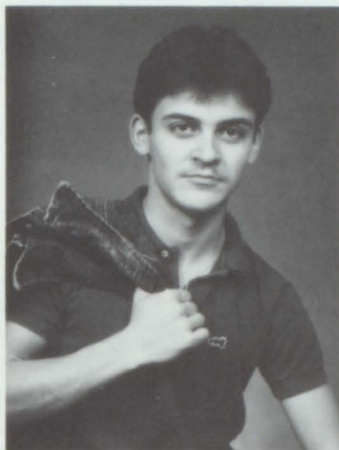
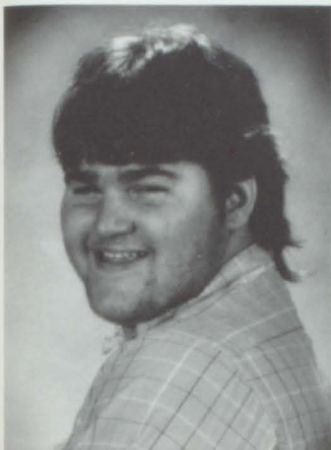
FFA 4.

JIM FARMER

Pep Club 2; FFA 3; Band 1,2,3; Carnival King Candidate 3; Industrial Arts Fair 1,2,3.

RON FELKER

Science Club 2; FFA 3; NHS 3,4; Choir 2; Baseball 2,3,4; Basketball 2,3; Barnwarming King Candidate 3; Science Fair 2; Industrial Arts Fair 3,4.



JIM FREEMAN

Math Club 2,3,4; Science Club 2; Pep Club 3; FFA 1; NHS 2,3,4; FBLA 2,3,4; Student Council 2,3,4; Student Curriculum 1; Publications Staff 3,4; Choir 1,2; Class Officer 3; Junior Olympics Team 1,2,3; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Science Fair 2; English Contest 1,2,3,4; Business Contest 2,3; Journalism Contest 3,4; Music Contest 1,2; FBLA Contest 3; ESP 3,4.

BEKK FRY

FFA 1,3; Industrial Arts Fair 3; Art Fair 1,2,3,4.

GARY GREENE

Math Club 2,3,4; and officer 4; Science Club 2,3; Pep Club 3,4; FHA 4; NHS 2,3,4; FBLA 2; Student Council 1,2,3,4; and officer 4; Publications Staff 3,4; and editor 3,4; Choir 1,2; Junior Olympics Team 1,2,3; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Cross Country 2; Yearbook King Candidate 2; Science Fair 2; Industrial Arts Fair 3; Business Contest 2; Journalism Contest 3,4; Music Contest 1,2; FBLA Contest 2; ESP 4; All Conference Baseball 1,2,3,4; All Conference Basketball 4; KKOZ Dream Team 4.

TIMMARIE HAMILTON

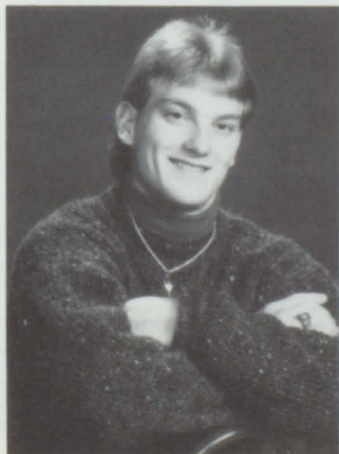
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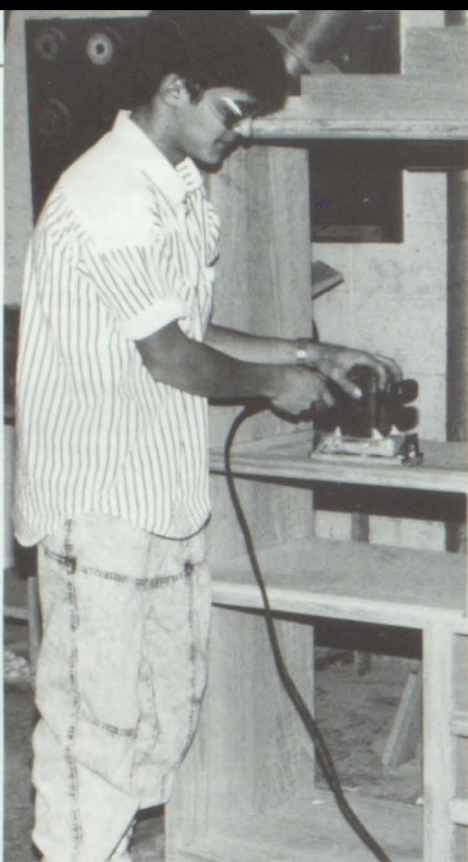
MARTY HENRY

Science Club 3; Pep Club 2; FFA 1,2,3,4; Junior Olympics Team 1,2,3; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Carnival King Candidate 2; Barnwarming King Candidate 2; Yearbook King Candidate 3; Industrial Arts Fair 4; ESP 3; FFA Judging Team 2; Cross Country State Qualifier 1,2,3,4; Track State 3,4; Prom King 4.

ERIC HONEYCUTT

Art Fair 4.





JIM FARMER, ABOVE, uses a power sander on his entertainment center project for woods class. Right, Dena Munden does a pencil sketch in the Mansfield Cemetery.

Different strokes, different folks

"Working on a project this big took lots of hours, but it looked great when I finished." — **Jim Farmer**

"It was really thrilling to end my senior year in a graveyard drawing tombstones." — **Dena Munden**



Seniors will miss many things

"All of my friends and I sitting around talking about boys, and all that stuff." — **Dena Munden**

"Running on the cross country team." — **Scott Dunsmuir**

"Trying to initiate people all the time and getting into trouble with my friends." —

Timmarie Hamilton

"The easy times." — **Ron Felker**

"Having something to do everyday and somewhere to go." — **Tracy Light**

"All of my friends, some of the teachers, and playing sports" — **Heather Krider**

"My senior year, and that God - awful concession stand." — **Gary Greene**

"I'll miss seeing my friends everyday and getting to goof off all of the time. After you graduate you have to think seriously about what you want to do with life." — **Gina Box**

"Standing in the hall and bothering everybody that walks by." — **Bekk Fry**

"Sitting in the in-school room, because I was in there most of high school." —

Kathline Kuhn

"When the whole Ag class got in arguments." — **Tim Logan**

"All the good times I had in high school." — **Keith Philpott**

"I'll miss most skipping school to go to Ava to see my girlfriend." — **Shane Potts**

"The teachers (the nice ones), all the wonderful homework, and getting yelled at." — **Jenifer Wallin**

"Getting to see my friends every day." — **Darren Campie**

"Not the school work." — **Catherine Kuhn**

"Being a senior, because next year I'll be a freshman in college," — **Lane Adamson**

Catching a few rays

"Matt and I put off working at the senior concession stand until the last possible minute. We ended up having to get out of baseball practice to work the stand at one of the last softball games." — **Gary Greene**



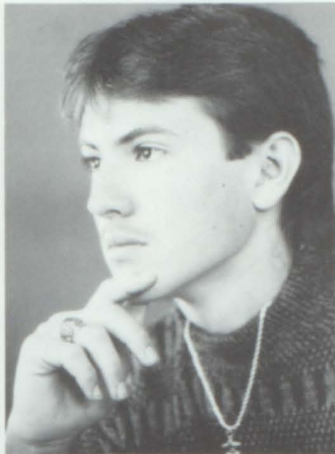
MATT CALHOUN AND Gary Greene shed their shirts in exchange for some sun while they watch a softball game in between tending the senior concession stand at the ballfield.

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SUSAN JONES

Pep Club 4; FHA 1,2,3,4; FFA 3,4; Band 1; Choir 2,3,4; Music Contest 1,2,3,4; ESP 3,4.



BRUCE KEITH

FFA 1,2,3,4; Choir 2,3; Art Fair 3.



DEANA KELLEY

Math Club 2,3,4; Science Club 2,3; Language Club 3,4; and officer 4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; and officer 3; FFA 3,4; and officer 4; FBLA 2,4; Publications Staff 3,4; and editor 4; Band 1,2; Class Officer 2,4; Pom Pon 2,3; Junior Olympics Team 1,3; Volleyball 1,2; Softball 1,2,3,4; Barnwarming Queen 4; Homecoming Queen 4; Miss Mansfield 4; Science Fair 2; Business Contest 2,4; Star Events 3; Journalism Contest 4; Music Contest 1,2; FBLA Contest 2,4; ESP 3,4; FFA Judging Team 3.



TARA KIRK

Choir 2,3; Music Contest 2.



HEATHER KRIDER

Math Club 3; Science Club 3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3; FHA 2,3,4; FBLA 3; Publications Staff 3,4; Band 1; Cheerleader 1,2,3; Junior Olympics Team 1,2,3; Volleyball 1,2,3; Track 1,2,3,4; Yearbook Queen Candidate 4; Junior Miss Mansfield runner up; Science Fair 2; Art Fair 1,3,4; Journalism Contest 3,4; ESP 3,4.



CATHERINE KUHN

FHA 1,2,3; Industrial Arts Fair 1,3,4; Art Fair 1,2,3,4.



KATHLINE KUHN

FHA 1,3; FFA 1,3; FBLA 2; Industrial Arts Fair 1,3,4; Art Fair 1,2,3,4.



ERIC LANSDOWN

Science Fair 3; Pep Club 2,3; FFA 1,2,3,4; FBLA 3; Band 1,2,3,4; Track 1; Industrial Art Fair 1,2.



TRACY LIGHT

Math Club 2,3,4; Science Club 2,3,4; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; NHS 3,4; FBLA 4; Publications Staff 3,4; Pom Pon 1,2,3,4; and Captain 4; Junior Olympics Team 2; Track 1,2; Science Fair 2; Math Contest 4; English Contest 4; Business Contest 4; Art Fair 4; Star Events 1,2,3; Journalism Contest 3,4; FBLA Contest 4; ESP 3,4; Girls State 3.



TIM LOGAN

Science Club 3; Pep Club 2,3,4; FFA 1,2,3,4; and officer 2; FBLA 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Track 1; Barnwarming King Candidate 2; Science Fair 2; Math Contest 1; Industrial Arts Fair 4; Music Contest 1,2,3,4; ESP 3,4.



JEFF LONG

Math Club 2,3,4; Science Club 3,4; and officer 4; Pep Club 2,3,4; FFA 2,3,4; NHS 2,3,4; and officer 4; FBLA 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Cross Country 1; Track 1; Math Contest 1,2,3,4; English Contest 3; Business Contest 3,4; Art Fair 1; Music Contest 1,2,3,4; Music Contest 1,2,3,4; FBLA Contest 3,4; ESP 3.



LESLIE LONG

Pep Club 1; FFA 1; FHA 1; Science Fair 2; Industrial Arts Fair 2.

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JENNA MCNEIL

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3; Art Fair 1,2; ESP 3,4.

EVERETT MERRITT

Pep Club 2,3; FFA 1,2,3,4; and officer 3; Choir 2; Track 1.

KIM MILLS

Pep Club 1,2,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; Class Officer 4; Choir 3,4; Art Fair 2,4; Music Contest 3,4.



KEITH PHILPOTT

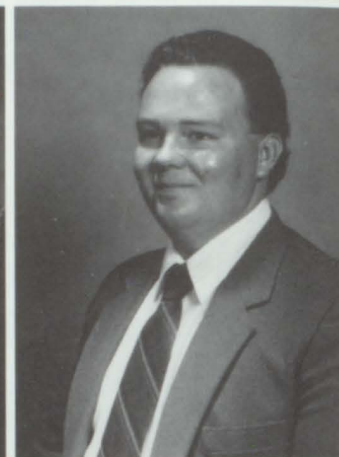
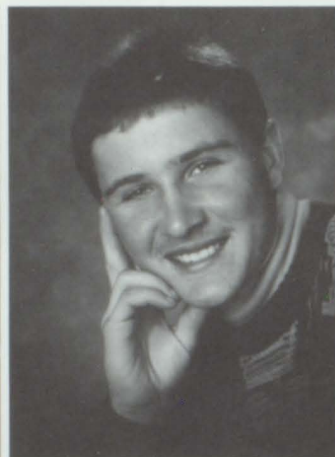
FHA 1; FFA 2; Special Olympics Team 2,3.

SHANE POTTS

FFA 1,2,3,4; and officer 3; Choir 2,3,4; Junior Olympics Team 2; Baseball 2,3; Cross Country 1; Track 1,2,3; Carnival King Candidate 3; Barnwarming King Candidate 2; Industrial Arts Fair 1,2,3; ESP 3; Music Contest 3,4.

JOHN RAGSDALE

Math Club 2,3,4; Science Club 2,3; NHS 2,3,4; FBLA 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Science Fair 2; Math Contest 1,2,3,4; English Contest 1,2,3,4; Business Contest 3,4; Music Contest 1,2,3,4.



DAVID SEVERS

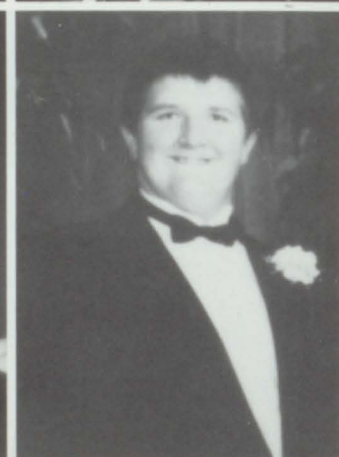
FFA 3,4; Industrial Arts Fair 4; Art Fair 1,2,3,4.

JIMMY SHROPSHIRE

Pep Club 3; FFA 1,2,3,4; and officer 2; Band 1,2,3,4; Industrial Arts Fair 4; Music Contest 1,2,3,4.

SCOTT SCORMS

Pep Club 3; FFA 1,2,3,4; Special Olympics Team 1,2,3,4; Industrial Arts Fair 1,2,3.



AUDRA SUITS

Math Club 2,3,4; and officer 4; Science Club 2,3; Language Club 3,4; and officer 3; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; and officer 3,4; NHS 2,3,4; Homecoming Princess 3; FBLA 2,4; and officer 4; Student Council 2,4; Publications Staff 3,4; Class Officer 1,2,3,4; Junior Olympics 1,2,3; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Softball 1,2,3,4; Journalism Contest 4; ESP 3,4; and officer 4; All Conference Softball 2,3,4; All Conference Volleyball 4.

ANDRIA TURNER

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; NHS 4; FBLA 3; Band 1,2,3,4; Choir 2,3,4; Mascot 1,2,4; Volleyball 1; Softball 1,2,3,4; Art Fair 4; Music Contest 1,2,3,4; ESP 3,4.

JENIFER WALLIN

Science Club 2,3,4; and officer 4; French Club 2; Pep Club 1,2,3.



Seniors collect strong memories

"When we were making masks in art, and Heather Krider put plaster up Waylan Johnson's nose." — **Misty Cantrell**

"Me, Lisa Hurst, Shannon Kirkland, Jayme DeChenne, Gina Box, Dalora Matlock, and Deidra Barnett used to bring our Barbies to school in the third grade." — **Heather Krider**

"In kindergarten, Eric Honeycutt threw up at the graduation." — **John Ragsdale**

"I skipped school with some guys and went to Ava to get our girlfriends. They got in trouble and we didn't." — **Jim Farmer**

"The whole class got sent to the office from art in the eighth grade when we made the teacher cry." — **Bekk Fry**

"When Dena Munden and I got into a fight in the second grade playing tether ball. She threw the ball and hit me in the head, then I threw the ball and hit her between the eyes. We both started crying." — **Shelly Clanton**

"Nancy Clouse and I used to get out of class in junior high so we could go in the bathroom and practice cheers." — **Timmarie Hamilton**

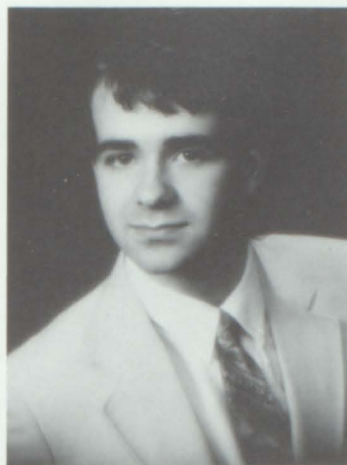
"I was sitting at Gary Greene's desk in third grade and found a math paper on which he missed 35 out of 38 because he didn't know how to borrow." — **Jim Freeman**

"We played kiss chase on the playground." — **Dena Munden**

"When Brent and I wrecked his truck." — **Shane Potts**

"Shannon Kirkland had a party and some of the kids had to go home early because they were kissing." — **Deana Kelley**

"In the fifth grade me, Matt Calhoun, Jimmy Freeman, Bruce Keith, and Jon Batcheller were all in one bathroom stall flipping through the pages of Playboy as fast as we could." — **Gary Greene**



DAVE WILSON

Math Club 1,2,3; Science Club 1,2,3; and officer 2,3; FHA 4; and officer 4; NHS 2,3,4; FBLA 1,2; and officer 1,3; Band 1,2; Choir 2,3,4; and president 4; Class Officer 1,2,3; Junior Olympics 1,2,3; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Carnival King 1; Science Fair 1,2; Business Contest 1; Art Fair 1,3,4; Music Contest 3,4; FBLA Contest 3.

NOT SHOWN: MISTY CANTRELL

Pep Club 1,2; FFA 4; Choir 1; Art Fair 2,3,4; Music Contest 1.

RUSSELL CAUDLE

FFA 1,2,4.

**DEBRA BRYANT
BRYON IVY
DENA MUNDEN
LESA TURNER**



Scott Storms

Workin'

"I worked hard on this microwave stand for my sister, because I enjoy doing things for her." — **Scott Storms**.

"I spent seven months working on my television stand, and after I finished it felt good to see how nice mine looked." — **Keith Philpott**



Keith Philpott

Making the grades pays off

"Even though I knew I was going to receive an academic letter award, it was still an honor since it will be the last one I get at MHS." — **Audra Suits**



AUDRA SUITS, JIMMY Shropshire, John Ragsdale, Jeff Long, and Deana Kelley are a few of the seniors who receive academic letter awards at the spring awards banquet.



The most boring thing I can imagine is ...

"Working at McDonald's in the lobby for eight straight hours." — **Kristy Burnett**

"Staying home all day, then having to go to work at night and not hardly ever seeing any of your friends." — **Kevin Hall**

"Driving to Springfield without a radio to listen to." — **Vickie Franks**

"I think sitting at home is boring, because you know that there's someone out doing something fun." — **LeeAnn Cannon**

"Being in Mansfield on a Saturday night when you can go down the main strip and not see even the slightest trace of a car or person, but since there is nothing else to do you cruise anyway." — **Shelly Detherage**

"Going to meet your girlfriend's parents." — **Frank**

Backus

"Being stuck at home grounded, having to babysit your little brother or sister." — **Bobby Clanton**

"Sitting around the house and watching television." — **Julie Jurewicz**

"Taking business law over again." — **Marc Brazeal**

"Sitting home alone in a room being forced to watch Debbie Gibson videos." — **Angie Miller**

"Going out with someone who doesn't say anything all night." — **Laura Rose**

"Watching fellow teammates getting to play in basketball games while you have to sit and watch from the bench." — **Benjie Dennis**

Frank Backus
Mike Bogart
Marc Brazeal



Kristy Burnett
Kristin Calhoun
Lee Ann Cannon



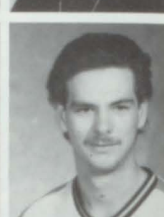
Scott Cantrell
Dawn Cascone
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Paul Clark
Jill Clouse
George Crisp



Benjie Dennis
Shelly Detherage
Eddie Doan



Tommy Dugger
Daniel Elliott
Shalawn Emerick



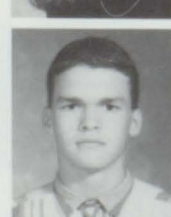
Christi Evans
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Melissa Farris



Vickie Franks
Tina Gage
Richard Gallion



Kris Gray
Kevin Hall
Mike Helsley





Chuck Hickie
 Troy Hughes
 Waylon Johnson
 Julie Jurewicz
 Michael Keys
 Jeff Ladd
 Holly Lakey

Rachelle Lansdown
 Robby Maxwell
 Melissa Melton
 Angie Miller
 Bob Miller
 Matt Moody
 Shawn Moss

Brent Napier
 Angela Rose
 Laura Rose
 James Smith
 Billy Stofer
 Carla Swopes
 Clay Thompson

Clint Thompson
 Chris Walker
 Tiffany Watterson
 Mike Young
 Not Shown:
 Randy Taylor



A SPARKLING ENGAGEMENT ring on the hand of Karrie Durham gets shown off to LeeAnn Cannon.

TROY HUGHES, RIGHT, entertains friends Scott Cantrell, Paul Clark, and Anjeanette Kjar with stories about his weekend.

James Barnett
Missy Carter
Ben Choate
Tommy Christenson
Marny Clark
Doug Coffman
Tracy Coffman



Marlon Doan
Bill Douglas
Chris Dunn
Serena Dunsmuir
Josh Fetter
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Steven Garrison



MaryAnn Gatlin
Tish Goss

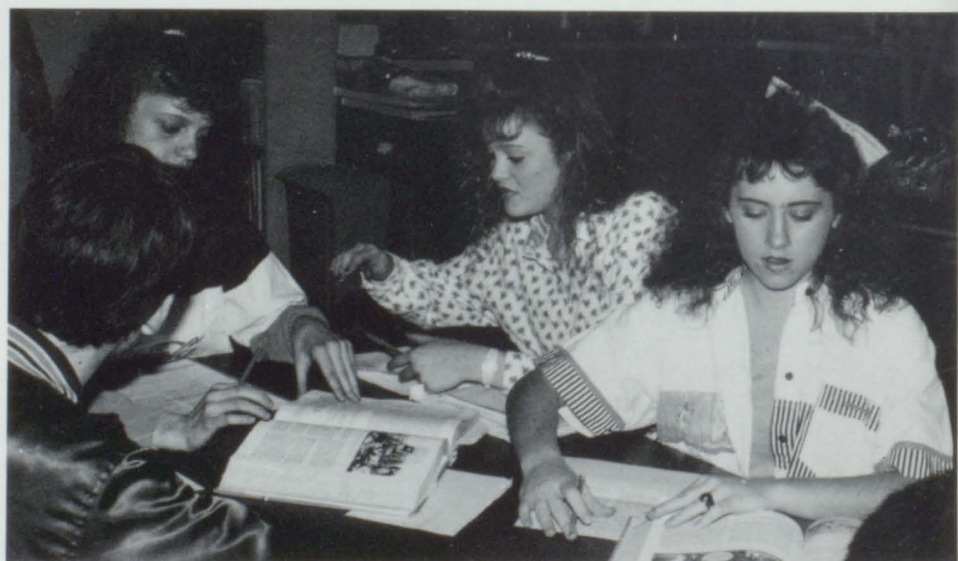


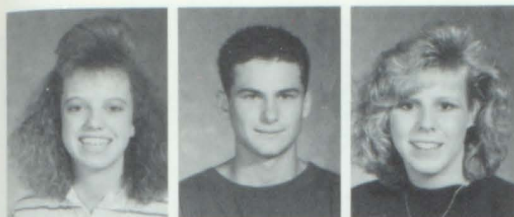
BEN CHOATE LISTENS to science teacher Leslie Smith talk about the next chapter in Biology I.



FRIENDS TELIAH JONES, Matt Francis, Josh Fetter, Jamie DeTavis and Mike Helsley use lunch time to talk about the latest gossip around campus.

DOING HOMEWORK AT the last minute, Brian Williams, Jennifer Greene, Angela Kingery, and Tracy Coffman use lunch hour to finish their American History.





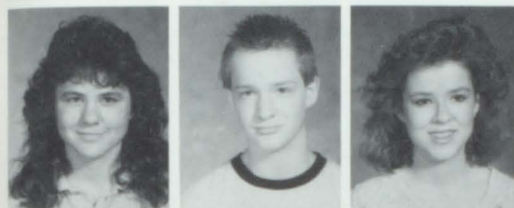
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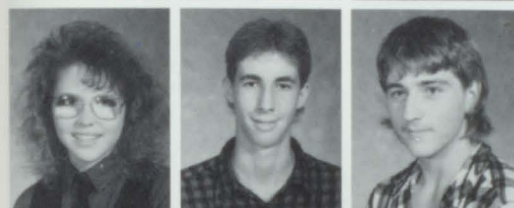
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Shannon Matney
Serina Page
Michael Porter



Brandy Potts
Aaron Proffitt
Terry Robinson



Reggie Roy
Barry Short
Carl Splain



Johnny VanNess
Harvey Wedge
Brian Williams



Pat Williams
Stacey Wilson
Brandy Wright
Not Shown:
Malcolm Gaddis
Shawn King
Bob Perrin



If I could make one change in the school . . .

"If I could change one thing about this school it would be to get better lockers so you have more room for your books, coats, and everything." — **Serena Dunsmuir**

"School is very stressful. I propose that every student should be permitted to yell at the top of their lungs at least once a week." — **Kerrick Lindsey**

"I would change the rule that you have to ride the bus to and from games, even though you live closer to the town you are playing than Mansfield." — **Tracy Coffman**

"The attitudes about girls' sports. The guys basketball team members and parents are the only supporters. Everyone else in the school just supports the guys." — **Jennifer Greene**

"I would change lunch hour to where you could drive around town." — **Missy**

Carter

"The attitudes of all the people in the school. The students and teachers are too closed-minded when it comes to appearances, music, and beliefs." — **Matt Francis**

"I would make more classes available to the students, like drama, astronomy, and German." — **Tish Goss**

"I'd make it legal to wear hats." — **Bill Douglas**

"Out of all the things I'd like to change in this school, it would probably be the bathrooms. They should be cleaned up to look nicer." — **Shelby Hesterly**

"If I could change one thing in this school, it would be more dances." — **Mary Ann Gatlin**



I would change this one thing about me . . .

"If I could change one thing it would probably be my weight, made up of pure muscles so I wouldn't get picked on as much. It would also help keep me out of the trash can." — **Evan Kinser**

"My hair. I wish it was lighter and not as frizzy." — **Patria Millsap**

"Vision, because I can't see five feet in front of me without my glasses on or my contacts in." — **Jon Freeman**

"I would change my height, because I'm too short." — **Clint Buchanan**

"I wish I was a lot shorter, because I hate being tall." — **Taylor Hamilton**

"I would have more confidence in myself." — **Becky Bryson**

"My looks, that way I could get more women." — **Chris Farris**

"I wish I didn't have such a temper so I wouldn't get so hacked off all of the time." — **Ryan Miller**

"It would be my height, because I hate being shorter than everyone my age." — **Angela Lansdown**

"I wouldn't be so shy." — **Scott Hall**

"I would change my face. I want to be really pretty like the girl on 'Married with children.'" — **Shawnya Matney**

"My age to 16 so I could get my driver's license." — **Clint Berry**

"I'd be richer and famous." — **Jared Jones**

"I would change the color of my hair so people wouldn't call me a dingey blonde." — **Amy Compton**

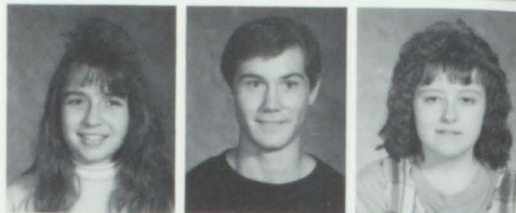
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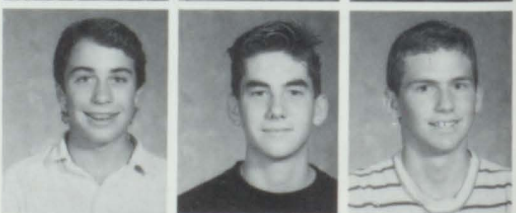
Heather Fairbairn
Chris Farris
Stacy Frantz



Jon Freeman
Carrie Gray
Sophia Greyowl



Scott Hall
Taylor Hamilton
Brad Hanger



Brian Hodges
Melissa Holt
Michael Huberts





Jeremiah Johnson
Jared Jones
Jeremy Jones
Kevin Jones
Jamey Kabage
Kendall Keith
Miles Keith

Evan Kinser
Jacklyn Kirkland
Angela Lansdown
Shawyna Matney
David McDowell
Joe McNeil
Ryan Miller

Carolyn Mills
Patricia Millsap
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Robby Pierson

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Tawna Watterson



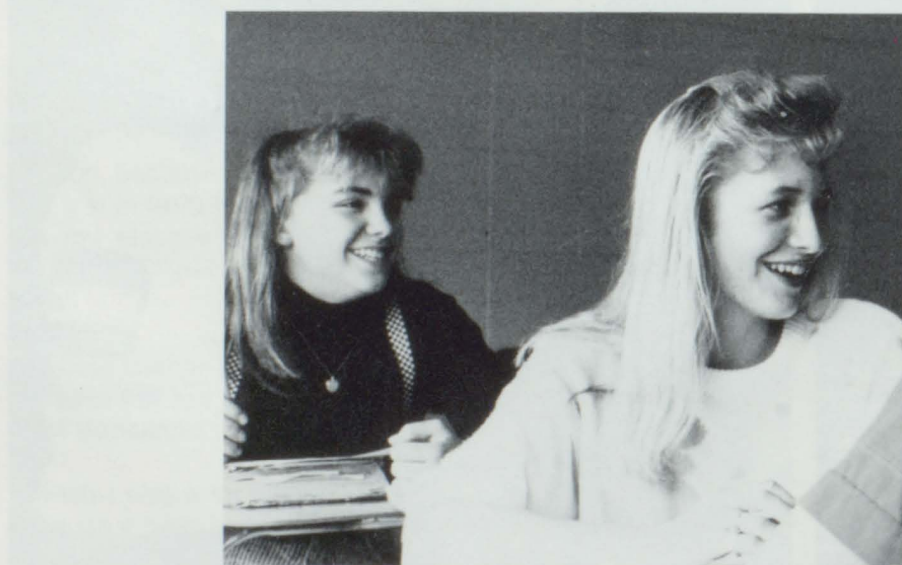
BETWEEN CLASSES, ANGELA Lansdown and Patricia Millsap make plans to attend the evening's ballgame.

FREE TIME IN the library gives David Taylor and Kevin Barr time to look at World of Wheels magazine.

Bobbi Beck
Edna Brazeal
Adam Brooke
Brad Collins
Misti Collins
Debbie Cook
Stephanie Copeland

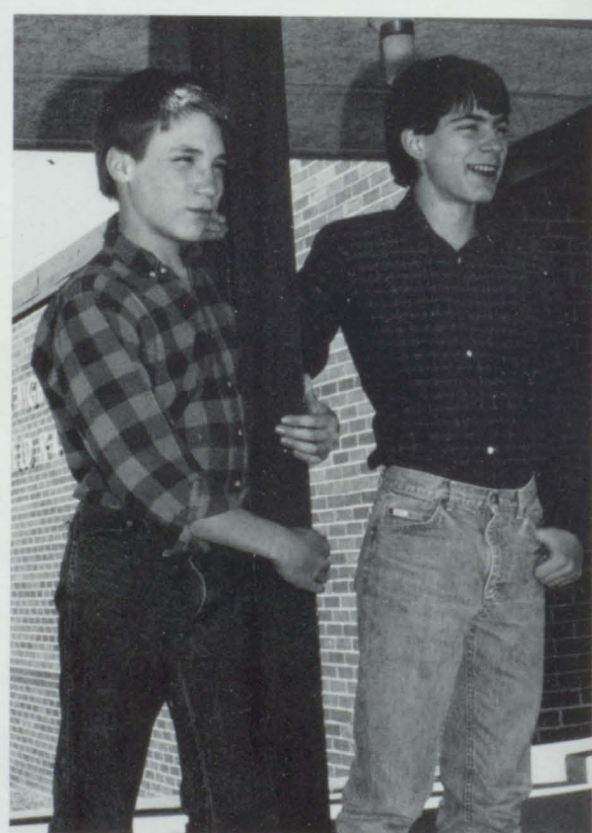


Marty Decker
Matt Doyle
Jesse Evans
Carol Farris
Virginia Fulbright
Barbara Hall



SINGING "LET ME Ride," the eighth grade choir performs at the fall concert in the gymnasium.

TAKING A BREAK during math, Aretha Sickles and Shawn Williams laugh at a joke by teacher Randy Short.



BEFORE SCHOOL BEGINS, Merle Strohm and Steve Wilson get some fresh air in front of the junior high.



Greg Henry
Kim Henry
Lisa Henry



Tracy Hughes
Kim Hyde
Stephanie Joseph



Stephanie Kelly
Jacque Lansdown
Justin Long



April Lynch
Josh Micheli
Amy Morris



Steve Pearson
Jody Philpott
Annette Ramsey



Dawn Razy
Brandon Reese
Randall Roy



Jennifer Shropshire
Aretha Sickles
Dusty Stout



Merle Strohm
Russell Wallace
Sunny Watterson



Shawn Williams
Steve Wilson
Brenda Winsor

Not Shown:
Johnny Kuhn
Becky Lynn
David Young



My friends like me because of the way . . .

"My friends like me most because I am so gullible. They have a blast playing all sorts of tricks on me." — **Stephanie Copeland**

"I'm crazy. I'm nice and half-way smart. I'm tall and half-way wimpy. Who could not like me?" — **Justin Long**

"My friends like me because if they have a problem they can talk to me about it." — **Randall Roy**

"I'm an original, hilarious, one-of-a-kind, kind of guy." — **Josh Micheli**

"Because I am myself, and I don't try to be anyone I'm not." — **Shawn Williams**

"When I'm a friend I'm caring and trusting." — **April Lynch**

"I'm honest about most everything, and I help my friends with their homework

when they need it." — **Jody Philpott**

"My personality, because I'm usually acting crazy and I joke around a lot." — **Kim Henry**

"I'm weird, funny, and I can always put a smile on somebody's face. I can be trusted with their secrets." — **Virginia Fulbright**

"Some people think I'm sweet, kind, cute and a nice guy to be around." — **Matt Doyle**

"Because of the funny faces I do when we all get bored. They especially like the Chipmunk." — **Stephanie Joseph**

"I don't try to live up to their expectations." — **Sunny Watterson**



I'm too young now, but I'd like to . . .

"I wish I could live in a little apartment house all by myself, that way I could do most anything I wanted to do." — **Stephanie Calhoun**

"I wish I could be in high school with all of my high school friends." — **Emily Matlock**

"I would want to have credit cards. I love to go shopping." — **Tara Moody**

"I would like to be able to get married and have kids." — **Stephanie House**

"I would get a job, because I want more money." — **Brooke Newton**

"Back talk my mom when I get mad." — **Jodi Edwards**

"I would go out and stay out late." — **Charles Campbell**

"I wish I could be my own boss and do anything I

wanted whenever I wanted and however I wanted." — **Jennifer Brooke**

"I would drive because I don't like riding the bus with all the bratty little kids." — **Deneane Sickels**

"Go dating with this boy I really really like so I could know him better." — **Marissa Joseph**

"I wish I was old enough to go to the Mall with a credit card and get as much stuff as I can." — **Michelle Woods**

"If I could do something I can't do now it would be get a job so I could do more stuff without bumming money off my mom." — **Amanda Jones**

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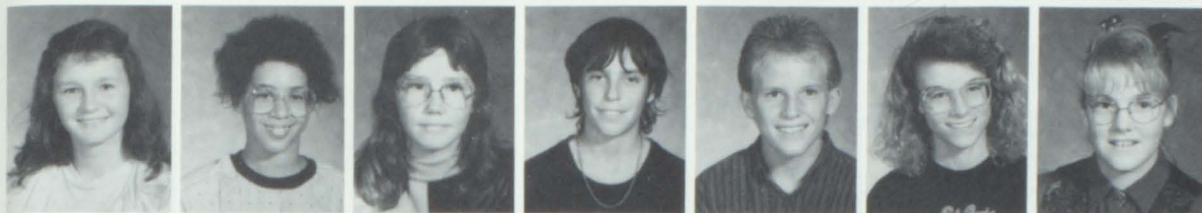


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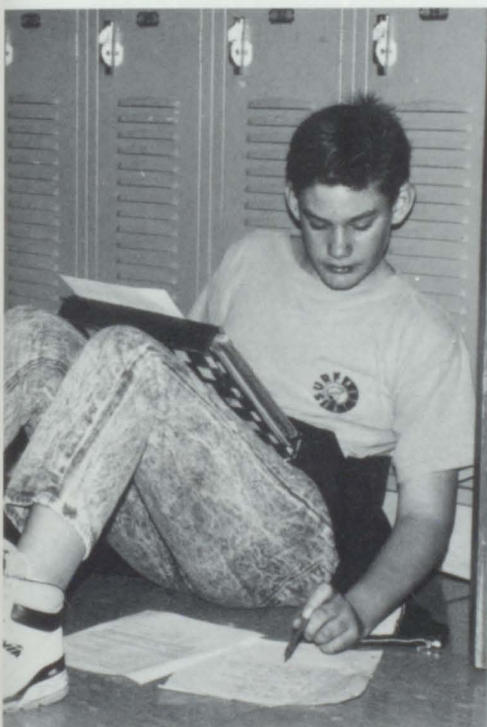
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EXPLORING A FROG'S digestive system, Carrie Gleason, Laura Shannon, and Stephanie House identify the duodenum.

ENGLISH STUDENT MIKE Douglas finishes an English test he missed during an absence.

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Phillip Hull
T.J. Hooker
Dottie Hughes



Randon Ivy
Luke Johnson
Jennifer Jones
Jason Kabage
Jennifer Kingery
Garan Kinser



SIXTH GRADE STUDENTS Tara Fetter and Janet VanNess use the library for research.

NIKI ANDERSON AND Nathan Carr work at the computer the sixth grade class recently acquired.





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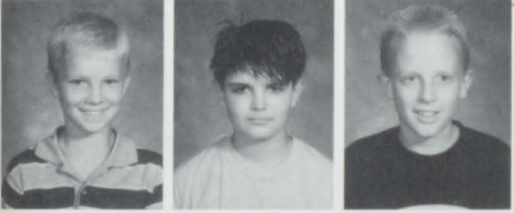
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The funniest thing in grade school was . . .

"One of my most embarrassing moments was when I was in band class. I was playing the wrong song and my flute squeaked." — **Sara Moody**

"In second grade I did a cartwheel and I forgot I had a skirt on, and my skirt ripped." — **Eva Farmer**

"Last year in fifth grade I burped in class. I didn't mean to, and everybody started laughing." — **Joanie Fulbright**

"The funniest thing that ever happened to me in elementary was when I had dress shoes and was walking down the hall with my class. I slipped and fell." — **Karen Farris**

"In second grade Mrs. Co-day asked if any other girl needed a Girl Scout slip and I said I do." — **David Climer**

"Our gym teacher took us out to watch a baseball game and a whole bunch of high school students had paper cups full of water and snuck up on Coach Short and threw it on him." — **Melanie Blankenship**

"My eraser fell off my desk and rolled and I chased after it. When I caught it I hit my head on a desk and fell in the floor." — **Bobby Franks**

"One morning I was getting ready for school and I was waiting for the bus. I didn't realize it was Saturday." — **Lisa Ladd**

"I was in the Christmas play and at dress rehearsal I fell off the stage." — **Angela Darr**



With me teaching, school would be . . .

"If I were the teacher I would let my whole class have candy each day, and I would let them pick what subject they wanted to have." — **Regina Roy**

"I would be a good teacher, but if somebody didn't do their work I would get very angry." — **Brandie Crisp**

"First I would scrap out social studies and science, then I would lengthen P.E. to two hours." — **Emily Moody**

"I would try to teach them about not fighting and calling names. I would try to teach them not to do drugs." — **Dedra Bell**

"I know all of the kids would drive me crazy so I wouldn't let them do anything." — **Jason Davis**

"They would do extra math, because you can't live with-

out arithmetic." — **Jason Daniel**

"If I were the teacher I would let people start food fights." — **Eric Grubbs**

"We would play Nintendo every day. We would always play 'Heads Up 7-Up' at the end of the day." — **Michael Brame**

"I would have parties and games every Friday, and on Mondays I would let them go outside for all day." — **Nick Brooke**

"When we had to work it would be fun but educational, but only when they were good. When they were bad the work would be dull and boring." — **Kim Joseph**

"I would party all day with the kids, and I would really get down and boogie." — **Lauren Miller**

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Michael Baty



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STUDYING AS A group on their social studies, Melissa Wedge, Tina Merriman, and Janet King answer study questions.

MICHAEL BATY AND Jason Johns take a break from their studies to practice drumming.

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Ann Kinser, teacher
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Melony Reese
Johnny Sutton



When I'm grown up the job I want is . . .

"I would like to be a brain surgeon, so I can help people and get rich, and so I can be on Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous." — **Henry Cook**

"I want to be a cop, so I can handcuff people and I can fight." — **Robby Baugh**

"I want to be a dentist. I like working on teeth. The easy part is normal check-ups. The hard part is cavities." — **Shoji McGhee**

"I want to be an artist when I grow up because I like to draw." — **Allison Arnall**

"I would like to be a paleontologist who digs up dinosaur bones and works to try to figure out how they fit together." — **Eric Caramptan**

"I would like to go to California and be a lifeguard, because I might get to save someone and get lots of money." — **Adam Grubbs**

"I want to stay in the army because I like guns, and I like the army. At home I play army all the time." — **Andrew Proffitt**

"I want to be a teacher because I want kids to learn." — **Sarah Johnson**

"I want to be a lawyer, because it would be fun to see the cases and you could help the person that is innocent so they would not go to jail." — **Shannon Reese**

"I want to be a first baseman for the St. Louis Cardinals because I like to play first base and I like baseball." — **Chris Flageolle**

"I want to be a nurse who takes care of babies. I like babies a lot." — **Natasha Bailey**



At recess, the most fun thing to do is . . .

"I like to chase boys because it is real fun. Boys like to chase me, too." — **Patricia Crain**

"I think the most funnest thing to do is to play basketball. Sometimes we play with teams and sometimes we just shoot baskets." — **Luke Anderson**

"The most funnest thing to do is swing on the swings, because I like to go up high and let my hair fly in the air." — **Mandy Goss**

"My favorite thing at recess is basketball, because it is a sport and nobody can cheat." — **Brandon Edmonds**

"I like to jump rope. I see how many jumps I jump." — **Jamie Stepro**

"I think kick ball is the most fun thing to me because I can kick good." — **Brandon Lansdown**

"I like to swing because it makes you look cute and you can see cute boys, but they can't see you." — **Kinder Pollock**

"I like to push each other in the swing. I play on the swings every day." — **Rachel Hull**

"I like to play basketball because I like to make three-pointers." — **Jason Brooke**

"I like playing tether ball and chasing boys because it is very very fun." — **Rachelle Roy**

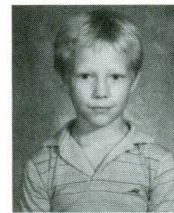
"I like to play tether ball and win games. I like to climb to get the rope at the top." — **Dusty Walker**

"I think the most fun thing to do is to play by myself. I like to make up little songs and write them down." — **Tiffany Hurst**

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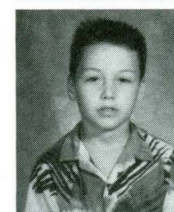
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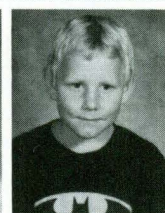
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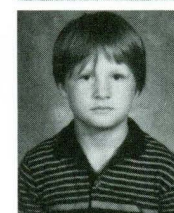
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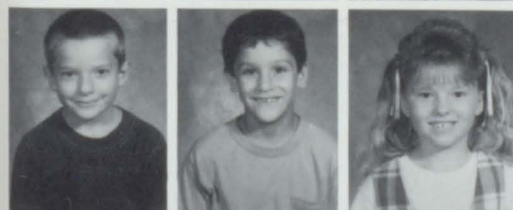
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Something that makes me really happy is . . .

"I feel happy about spring."
— **Austin Miller**

"My friends make me happy."
— **Katrina Bailey**

"My mom makes me really happy."
— **Brandi Dering**

"Getting an A on math and reading makes me happy."
— **Serina VanNess**

"What makes me really happy is to go to school."
— **Cheryl Swopes**

"Playing Nintendo makes me happy. Watching television and working makes me happy."
— **Josh Turner**

"What makes me really happy is a birthday party."
— **Tracy Cantrell**

"What makes me happy is my pup. When I come home from school I see my pup spying on me."
— **Rickey Ramsey**

"What makes me really happy is dinosaurs."
— **Ben Moody**

"Christmas makes me happy because it's very fun and you get presents."
— **Sumer Welch**

"Having friends makes me happy."
— **Dawn Hastings**

"I like Valentine's, and I like Pizza Hut."
— **Amy Daugherty**

"Getting cool haircuts and getting awesome shoes makes me happy."
— **Zach Miller**

"What makes me happy is the Nintendo."
— **Jerry Johnson**

"Getting a new bike and a new book for Christmas makes me happy."
— **B.J. Batten**

"Books make me happy because I like to read."
— **Austin Corder**



My most favorite television show is . . .

"My favorite television show is Alf. I like him because he is funny and he hides in the trash." — **Garrett Norell**

"I like Batman the best because he has a neat car." — **John DeCarlis**

"My favorite show is Chip and Dale's Rescue Rangers. I like it because it has lots of action." — **Chad Keith**

"Alf is my favorite because he is cute and furry." — **Shawna Kennedy**

"Donald Duck is the best. It's funny and it has a robot on it." — **Jolonna Harris**

"My favorite show is Garfield, because he's mean to everyone." — **Nicole Soares**

"Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles is my favorite show

because they have swords." — **Mike Turley**

"I like the New Leave It To Beaver because it's funny." — **Cody Bryson**

"I like bears, so Kissyfur is my favorite television show." — **Sarah Brown**

"My favorite television show is The Cosby Show. They make me laugh." — **Rashelle Thompson**

"I like COPS because they show about police." — **Heather Ingerson**

"My best show is Alf, because it is funny. I watch it all the time." — **John Williams**

"Alf is fun. I like him and he is fun to watch." — **Mindie Sullivan**

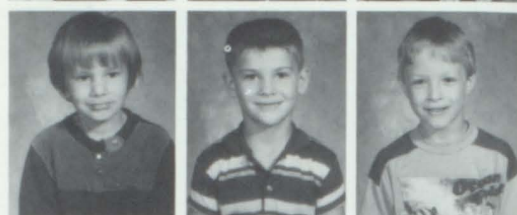
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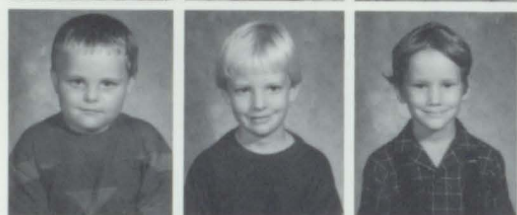
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What is the very best thing about kindergarten?

"The best thing about school is working in the phonics book." — **Laura Furr**

"Coloring and playing are the best things to do." — **Annie Giffin**

"My favorite things are coloring, painting, and playing with the toys." — **Justin Thurman**

"I like to play with the fire truck." — **Jason Kennedy**

"The best thing about kindergarten is playing on the playground." — **Stefanie Blevins**

"Rest time is the best part of the day." — **Jeff Carr**

"Playing with the family farm is fun to do at school." — **Kevin Liles**

"I like everything about school." — **Jason Bruce**

"Playing outside is my fa-

vorite thing at school." — **Brooke Hurst**

"Looking at a book is good." — **Elnora Weber**

"Eating snacks and eating lunch and playing outside and chasing girls are fun to do at school." — **Ben Cain**

"My favorite things are recess and P.E. and art." — **Jacob Magnin**

"The best thing at school is going to art." — **Lindsey Dunbar**

"Going to lunch, playing outside, and playing with Play-Doh are best things at school." — **Dustin Millsap**

"The most fun things at school are the swings and the tires." — **Jeffrey Dukes**



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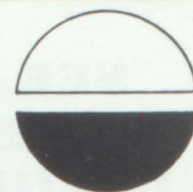
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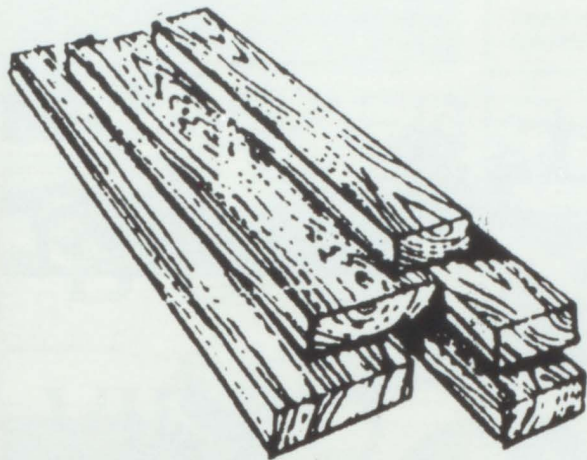
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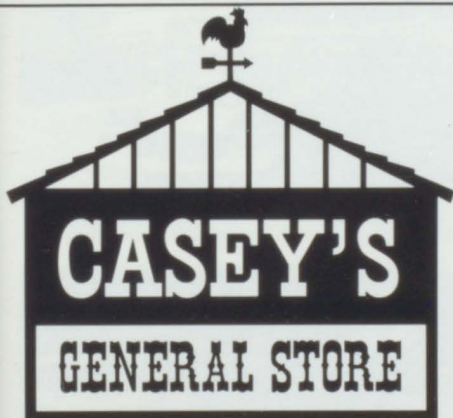
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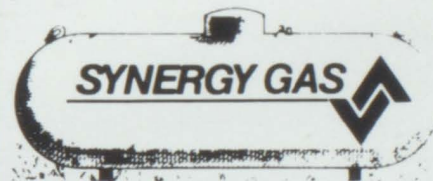
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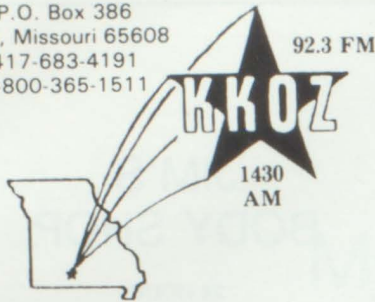
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Get the best

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Tie a yellow ribbon . . .



■ **BRANDY POTTS GETS** a yellow rose, tied with a yellow ribbon, for Valentine's Day, with delivery by Harold Dennis.

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Simply the BEST

Simply the best year unfolds for 1990

SIMPLY THE BEST.

At first glance, that phrase has a slightly conceited ring to it. But those who look a little closer can see that 1990 for MHS was, in many ways, quite SIMPLY THE BEST year in recent memory.

As the new decade rolled around, athletes at MHS kept the school running in high gear. Important victories and record-breaking achievements kept most on an emotional high, fueled by exciting events in almost every sport. For much of the season, the boys' basketball team was ranked third in the state, and the once practically anonymous girls' basketball team had its first ever 20-win season and a share of the conference crown.

First in two tournaments and first in the conference put volleyball on the map at MHS, and there was a near perfect record for the baseball team, and a trip to the state championships.

A ninth-place finish in the state meet proved that the long, lonely hours spent running were worth it to the MHS cross country team.

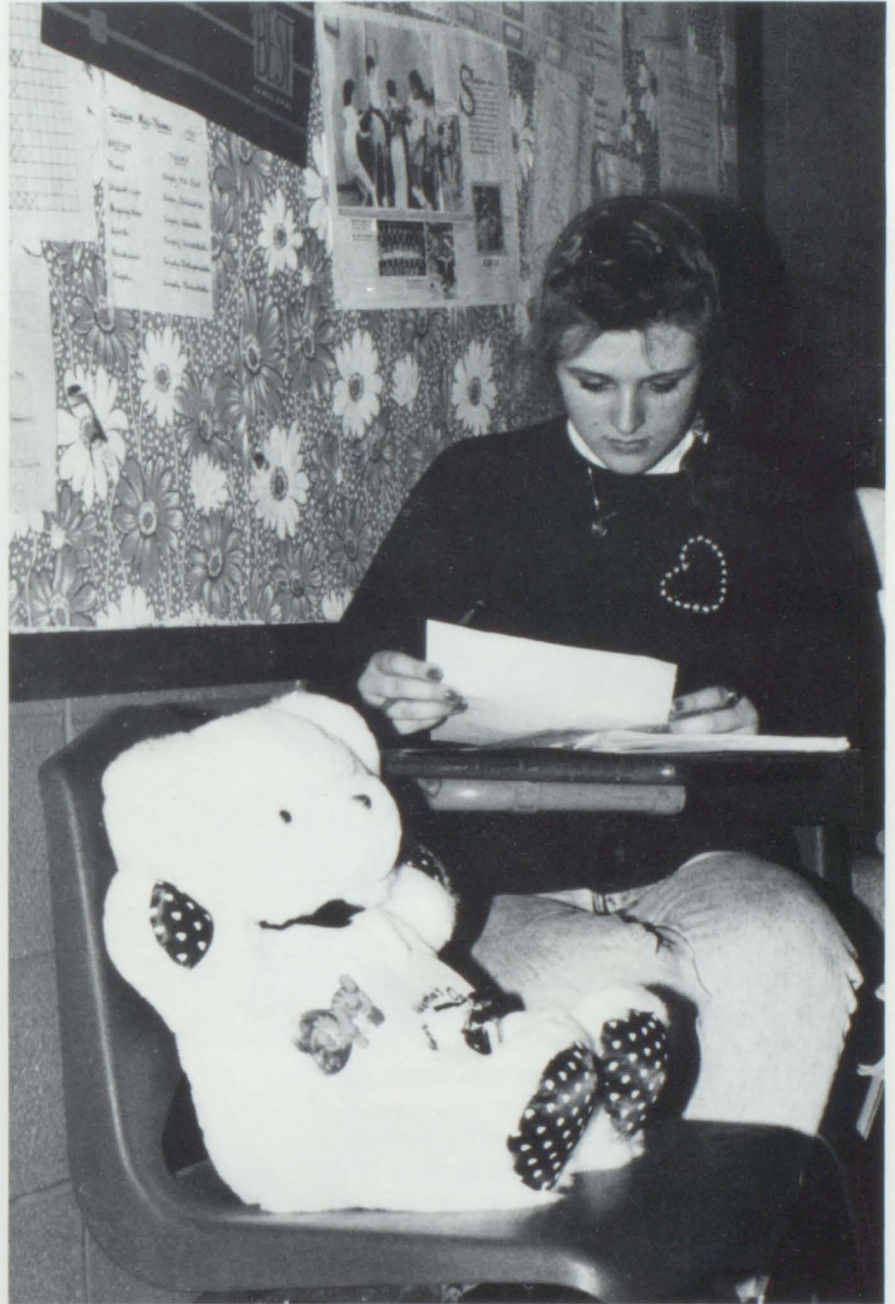
SIMPLY THE BEST was an expression often used to describe improvements, also. A 30-item snack machine was added to the lobby as a fund raiser for the Junior Class, replacing the traditional and dreaded candy bar sales, an idea that juniors thought was even more than THE BEST.

The gym floor received a much needed
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SCIENCE MAY NOT be the most fascinating topic of the day for Floyd Hutson and Heather Lansdown.

WEARING THE LATEST in shaving creme fashions, Marny Clark cleans up her share of the aftermath of a "fight" at pom pon camp.



SERENA DUNSMUIR HAS a visitor with her in English II class, a fluffy Valentine bear from boyfriend Benjie Dennis.

NEW MEANING TO the traditional "smiley face" is worn by Aaron Proffitt.

ESP CLOWN TIMMARIE Hamilton tries her hand with a baritone horn after the Wilder Days parade.



CHECKING OUT THE action with binoculars, Daniel Rowles (son of high school principal Frank Rowles) and right, Corey Letsinger (son of school secretary Debbie Letsinger), watch the pom pon routine at a home basketball game.



FRESHMEN SCOTT SMITH and Jon Freeman turn the initiation tables on senior Scott Dunsmuir, "feeding" him to the lion.

DEIDRA BARNETT REACHES for a share of Timmarie Hamilton's soda. Beside her are Audra Suits, Jim Freeman, and Gary Greene.

**TEMPORARILY DISABLED CHEER-
LEADER** Missy Carter, left, receives a
flower and a hug from Tracy Coffman.

facelift, making it more enjoyable for spectators as well as players.

The sounds of music also helped make things great, as the band, featuring its new flag girl troupe, captured first place marching trophies.

Lion pride increased for reasons other than sports and improvements, too.

For the first time ever, Mansfield was the hometown of a national FHA officer. More students than ever before were listed on the honor roll, bringing the phrase of **SIMPLY THE BEST** to the minds of parents as well as teachers.

Project Graduation was reborn, as interested parents and townspeople joined forces to provide a fun-filled, substance-free graduation night.

For the first time in 30 years, Mansfield hired a female administrator, as Jean Coday filled the position of elementary principal.

Changes around the town were reason for comment also. Speed bumps were added to the streets approaching the school, maybe not the best idea for cruisers, but a definite advantage for pedestrians in the area.

Work began in February for a new municipal pool, funded by a tax passed by voters in the November election. The thought of a cool dip in the pool after two "dry" years with no place to swim brought real meaning to the phrase **SIMPLY THE BEST**.

Earth-shaking news caught everyone's attention as a major quake rocked the California coast, causing widespread death and destruction. Experts predicted that the next large quake would be centered in south-east Missouri, making area residents wonder if this was **THE BEST** place to live, after all.

Mansfield residents felt a part of international news as a recent graduate from MHS was wounded while taking part in the United States' invasion of Panama.

All eyes turned toward East Germany, and the world stood by and cheered as the Berlin Wall tumbled, giving freedom to those who had been held captive for so long.

Closer to home, Batmania swept the nation, as the Batman logo adorned everything from sunglasses to underwear, and people flocked to see the blockbuster movie.

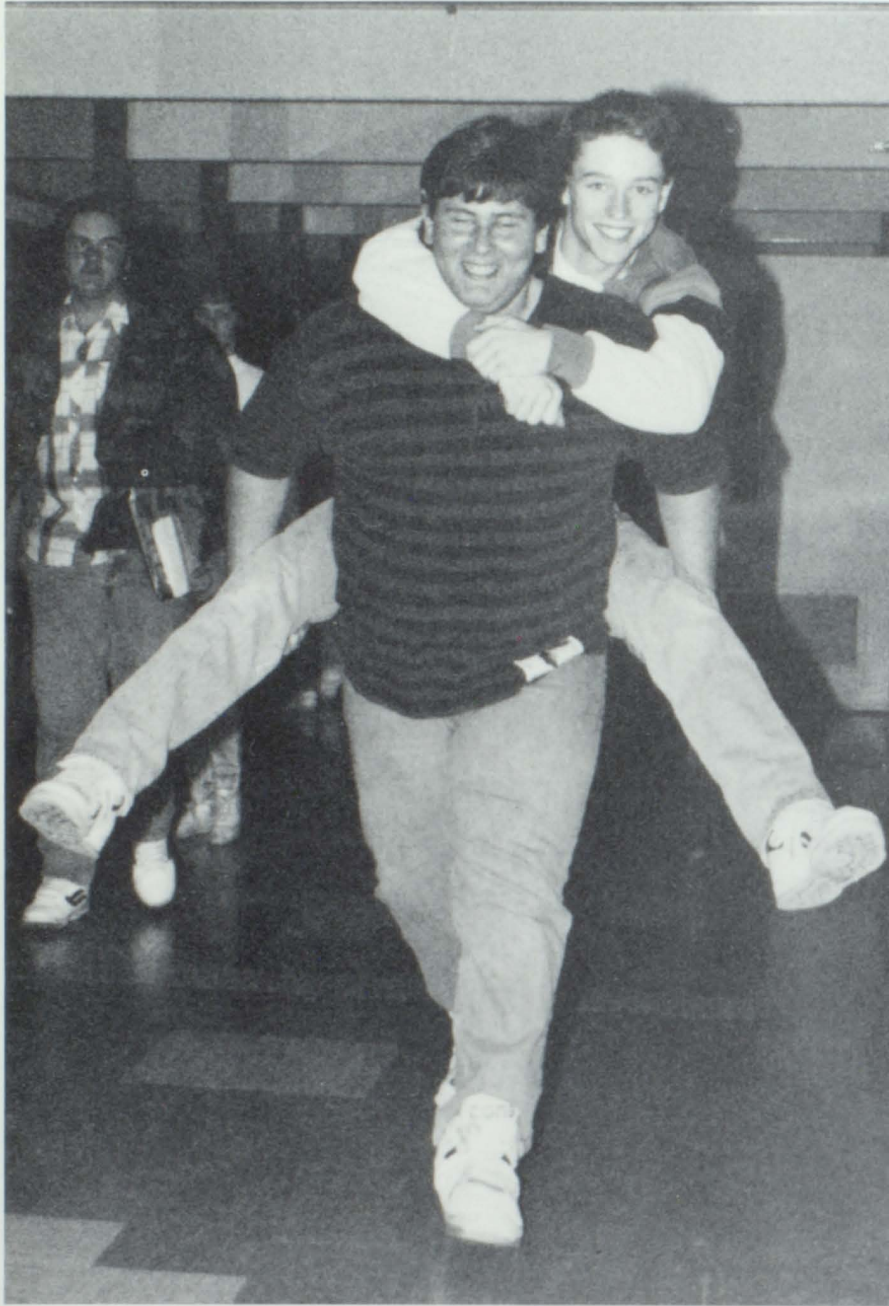
SIMPLY THE BEST in fashion for 1990 meant lots of variety. Faded jeans with holes, slashes and patches stayed on the scene. Rolled up pants and turtlenecks were also popular. Boys' hairstyles showed a dramatic change, with butch-style cuts accompanied by shaved

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FRESHMAN JARED JONES provides some free lunch time transportation for senior Gary Greene.



stripes and no sideburns taking over as the most fashionable style.

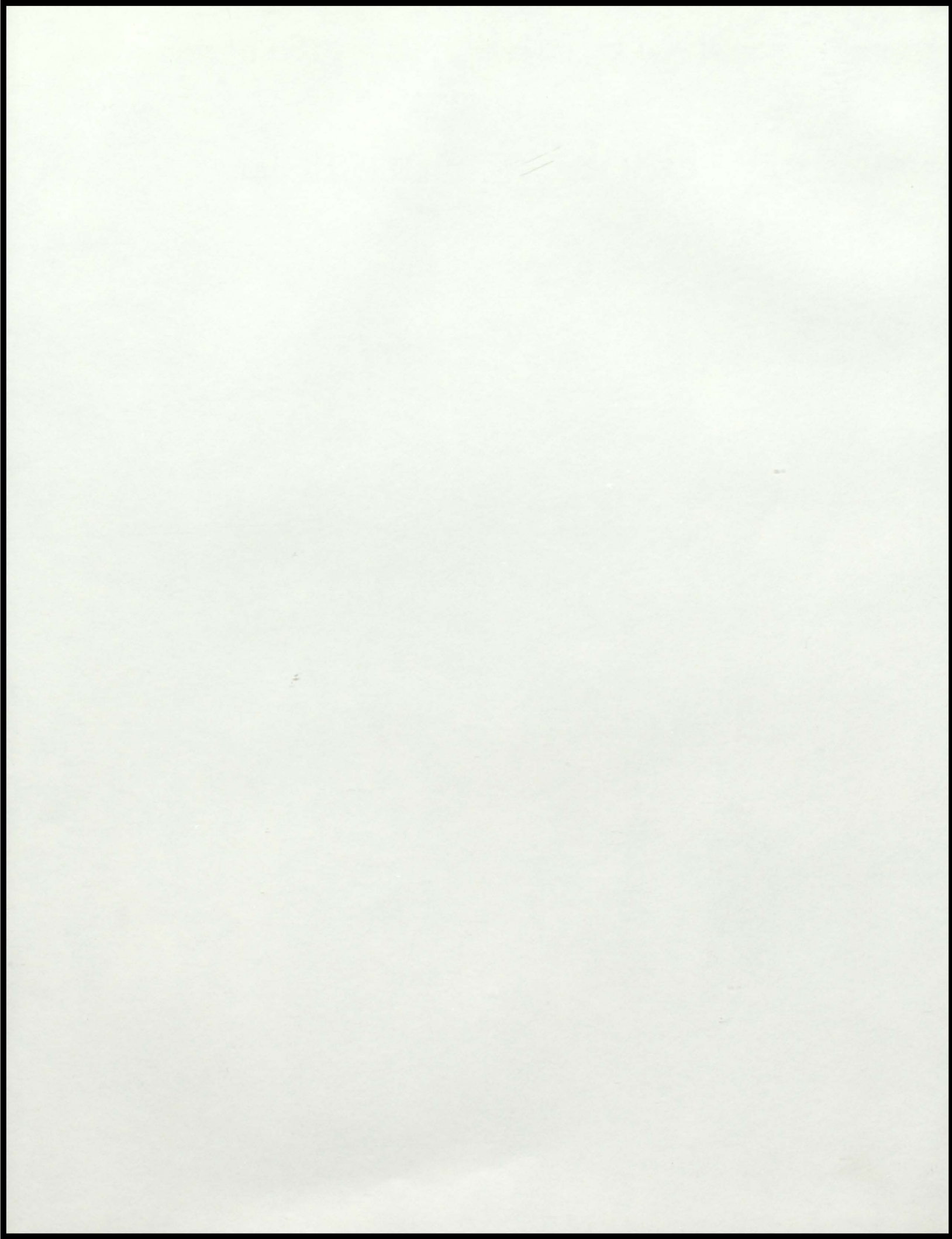
Sixty seniors enjoyed the hustle and bustle of finishing up 13 years of education. Senior trip and graduation brought smiles and tears to their eyes as, at least in their opinion, **SIMPLY THE BEST** class ever at MHS became part of history.

But the most basic reason 1990 was **SIMPLY THE BEST** was because it was unmarred by tragedy. During the past two years students had faced five deaths in rapid succession. They lost a favorite teacher, a well-liked custodian, one elementary student, and two high school classmates. When tragedy bypassed MHS for 1990, everyone was thankful to take a break from the tears, and concentrate on smiles instead.

Other **SIMPLY THE BESTS**? Stomping Gainesville at Homecoming after the team arrived in tee-shirts that read "I'm for Gainesville and any team that plays Mansfield." Fighting drug and alcohol abuse in a variety of ways under the strong leadership of ESP (Education Supports Prevention). Tripling yearbook advertising revenue by a highly-motivated staff.

The list for 1990 could go on and on. But without question, the year was **SIMPLY THE BEST**.

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